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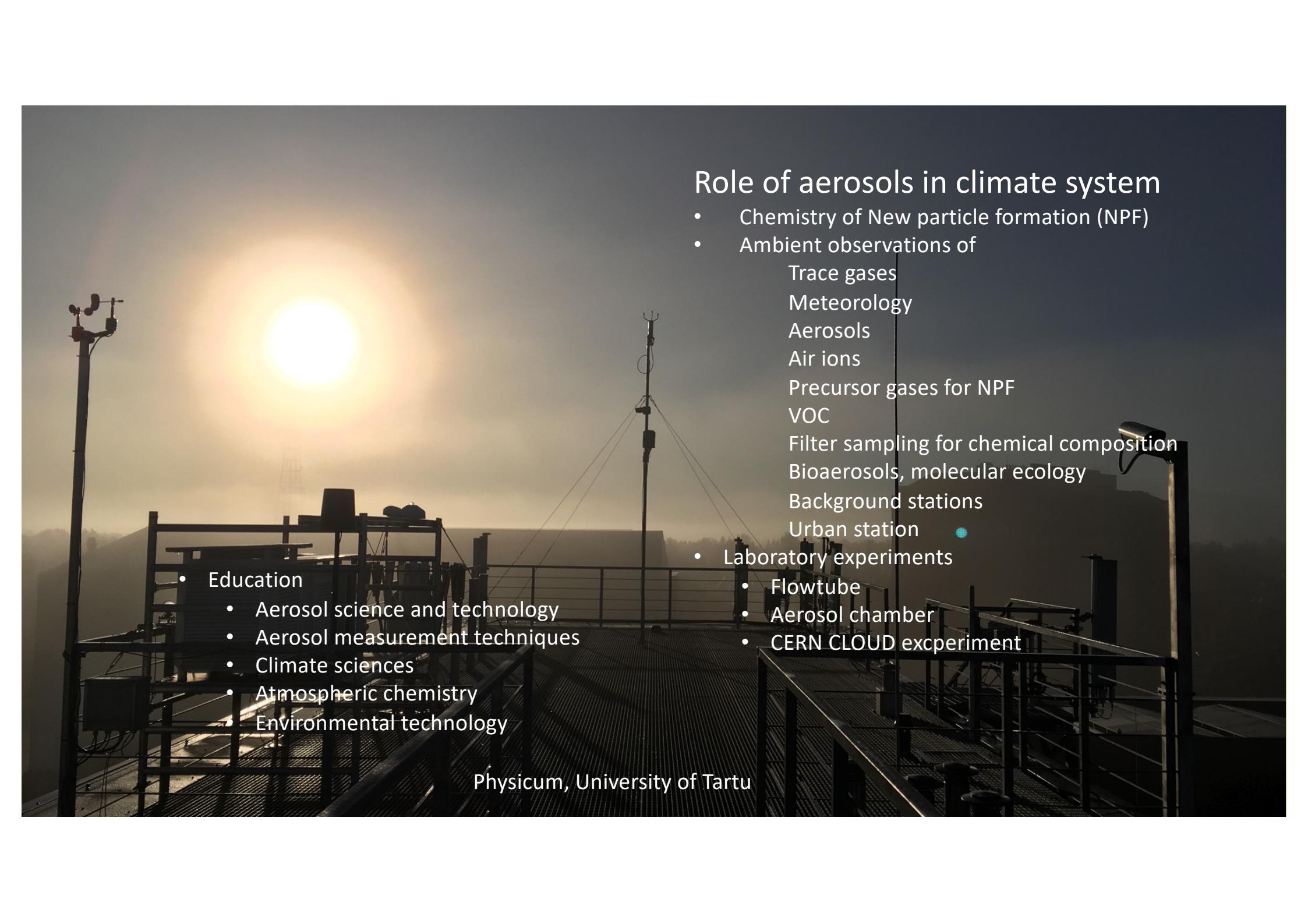
## Laboratory of Atmospheric and Environmental Sciences

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University of Tartu:  
14000 students and 3500 staff members  
>50% publications in Estonia from UT  
4 Faculties, 32 institutes  
Institute of Physics:  
200 scientists, 15 laboratories





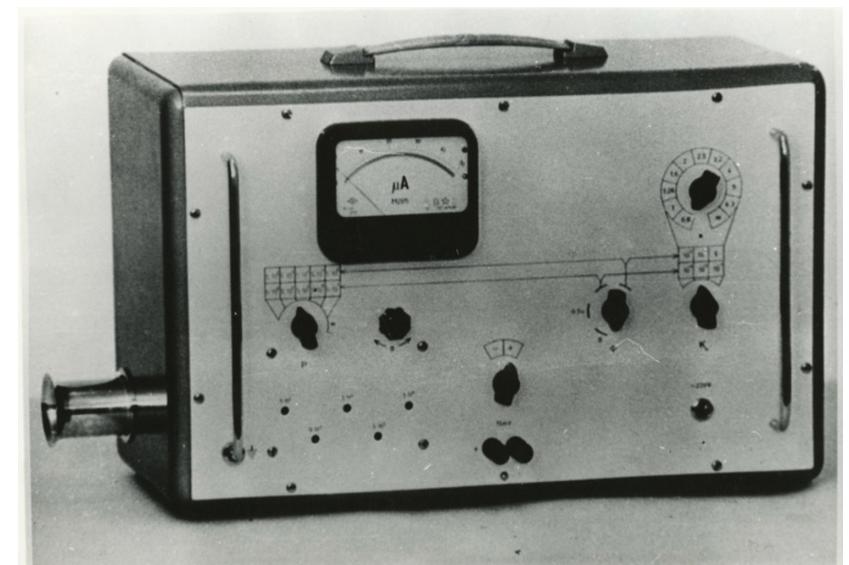
## Role of aerosols in climate system

- Chemistry of New particle formation (NPF)
- Ambient observations of
  - Trace gases
  - Meteorology
  - Aerosols
  - Air ions
  - Precursor gases for NPF
  - VOC
  - Filter sampling for chemical composition
  - Bioaerosols, molecular ecology
  - Background stations
  - Urban station
- Laboratory experiments
  - Flowtube
  - Aerosol chamber
  - CERN CLOUD experiment

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# Aerosol science in Estonia is almost 100 years old

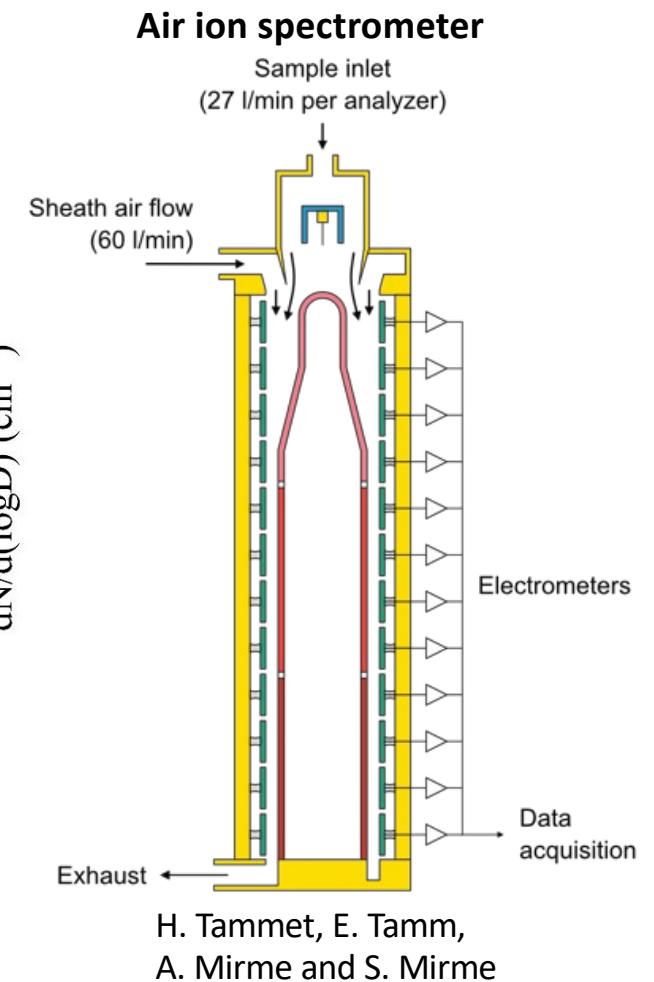
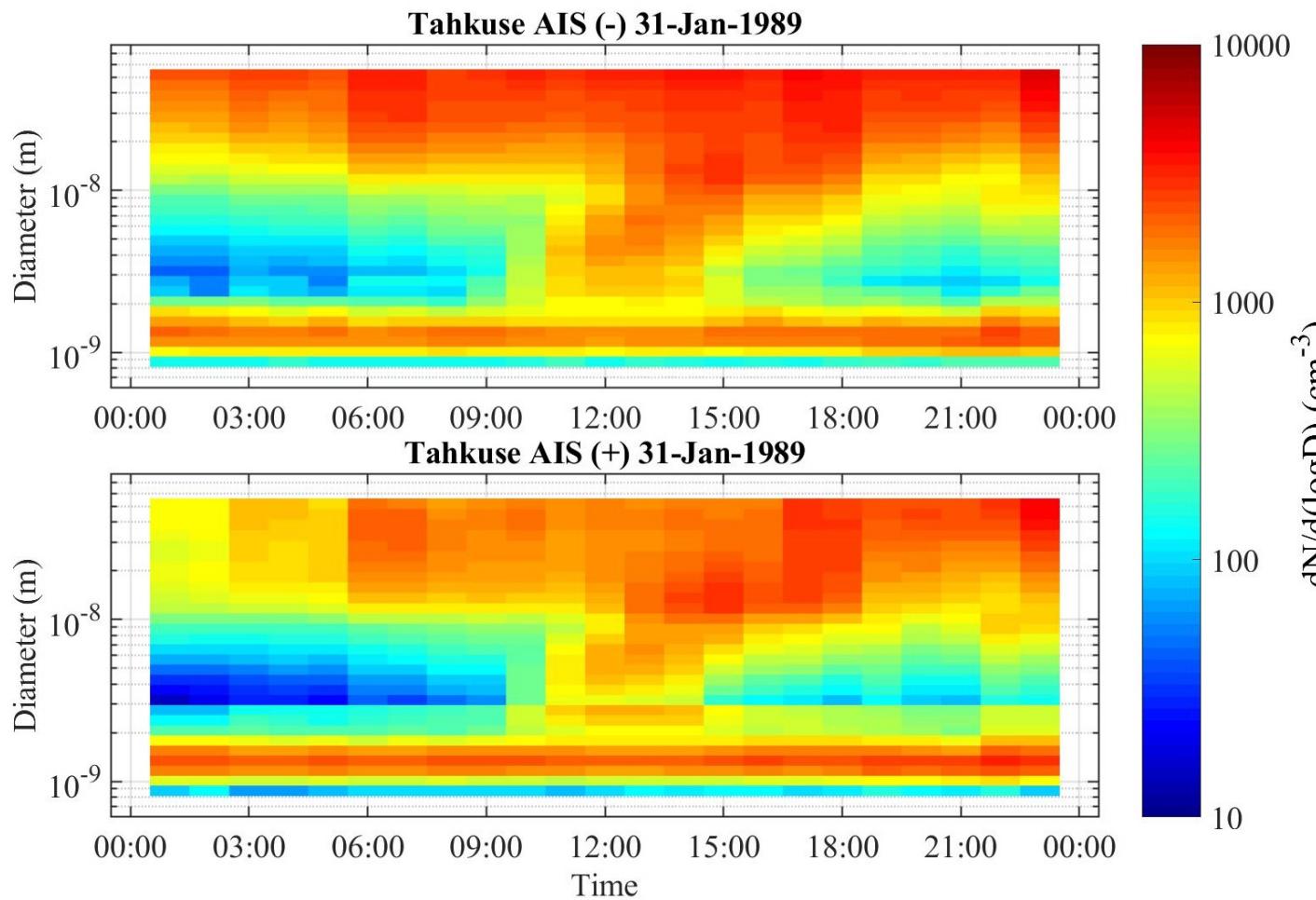
- 1930 Prof. **Johan Vilip** first Gerdien counter to Tartu (ion counter)
- 1937 full year long measurements of air ions, master student **Anatoli Mitt.**
- 1950 **Jaan Reinet** starts building air ion instruments
- 1963 **Jaan Salm** First portable ion counter
- 1972 First multichannel ion spectrometer **H. Tammet**
- 1988 starting continues air ion measurements at Tahkuse station
- 2022 first time of flight mass spectrometer, 2023 IMS-MS instrument
- **2024 LAES – Laboratory of Atmospheric and Environmental Sciences**
  - (<https://www.muis.ee/museaalview/3354491>)



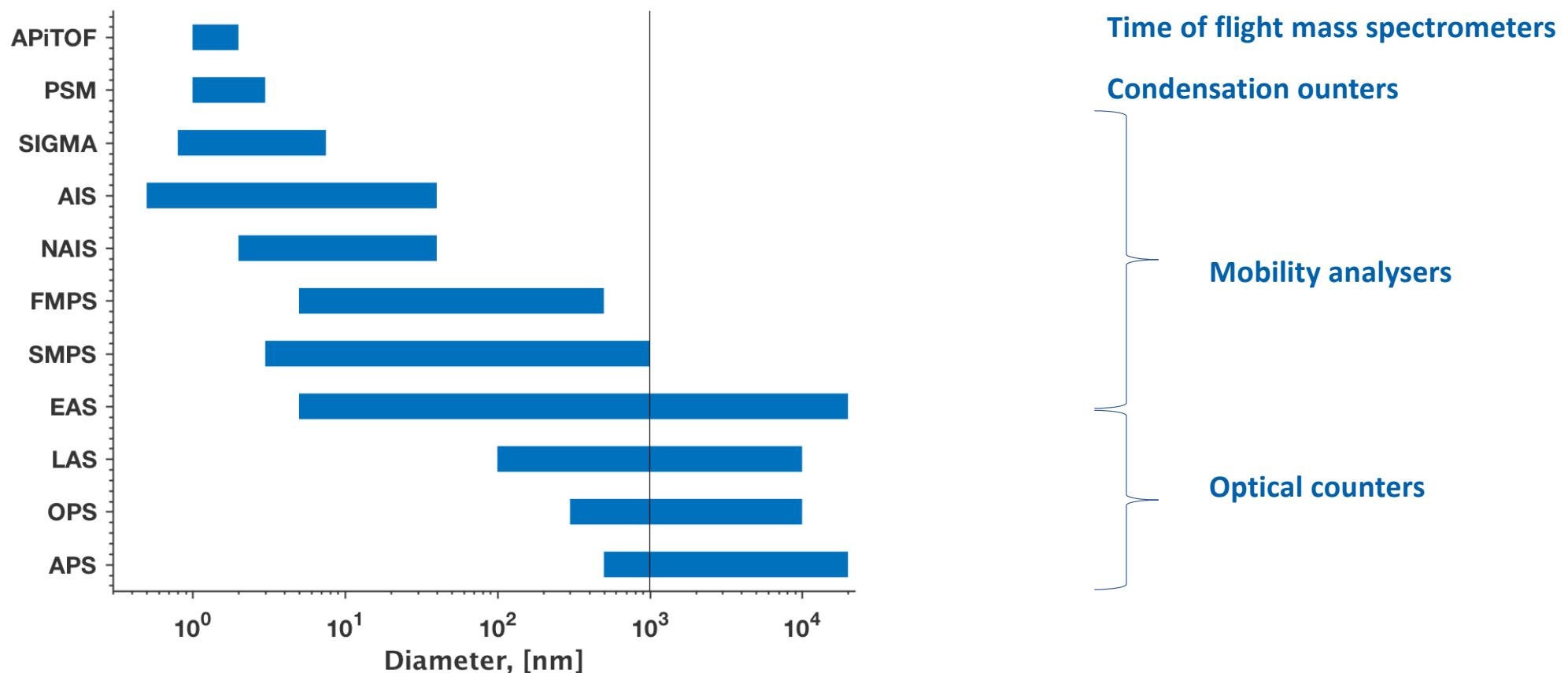
# Worlds first full new particle formation event measured in Tahkuse station, Estonia



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# Size range of aerosol particles we can measure



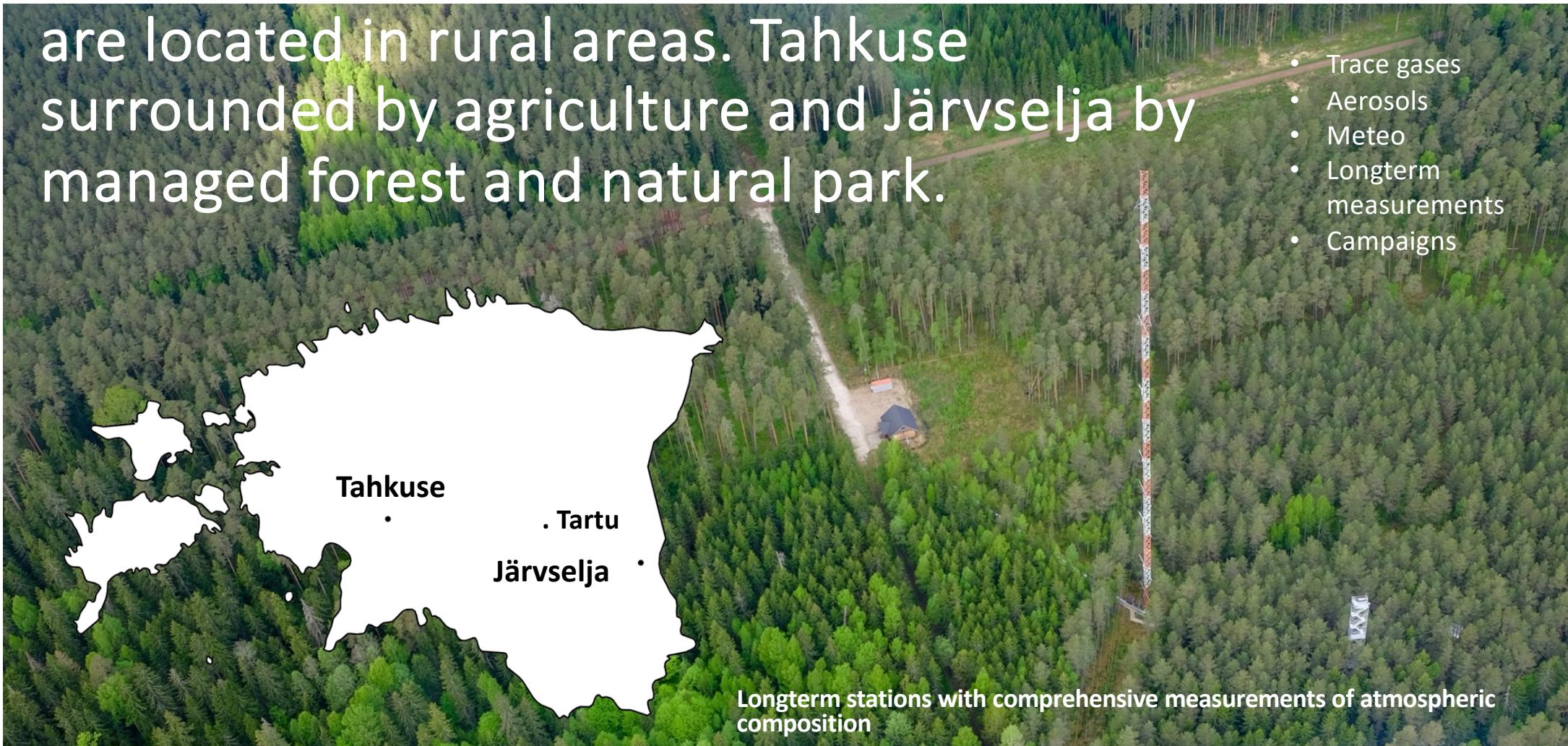
# Tahkuse and Järvselja SMEAR stations



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are located in rural areas. Tahkuse surrounded by agriculture and Järvselja by managed forest and natural park.

- Trace gases
- Aerosols
- Meteo
- Longterm measurements
- Campaigns



# Tahkuse and Järvselja SMEAR stations



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New wide size range aerosol  
measurements from 0.5nm to 10 $\mu$ m are  
planned on Vilsandi island

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Tahkuse

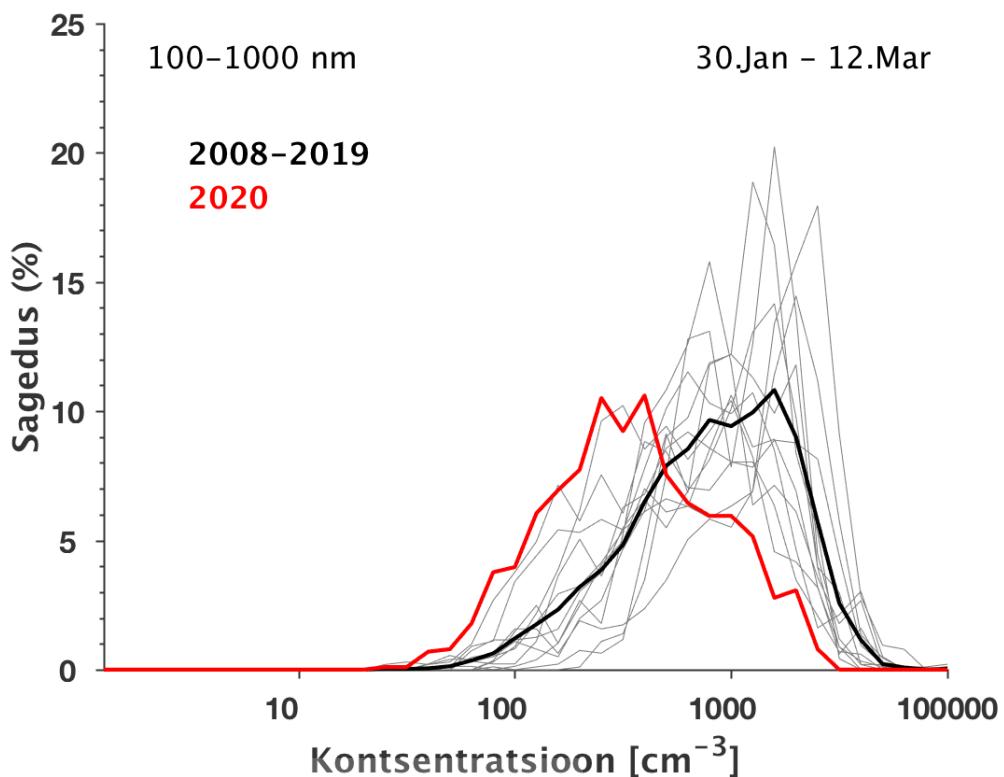
Tartu

Järvselja

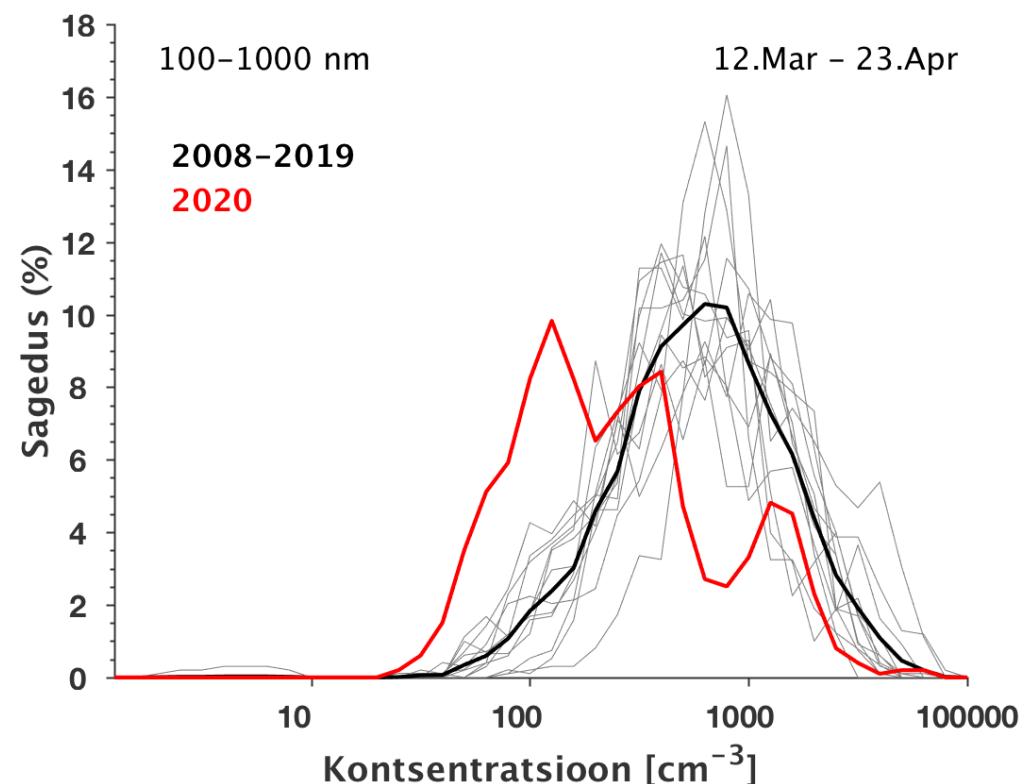
Longterm stations with comprehensive measurements of atmospheric composition

# 2020 was the cleanest spring in Estonia

Aerosol before lock-down

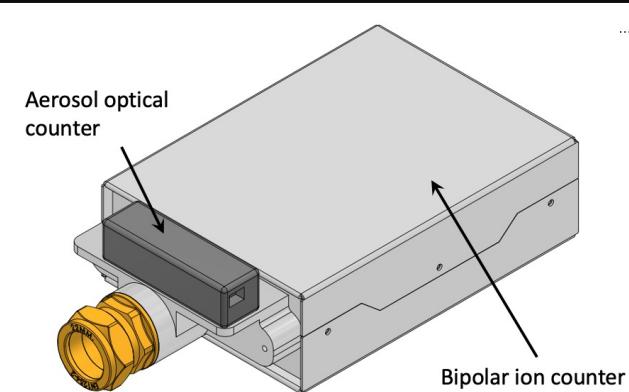
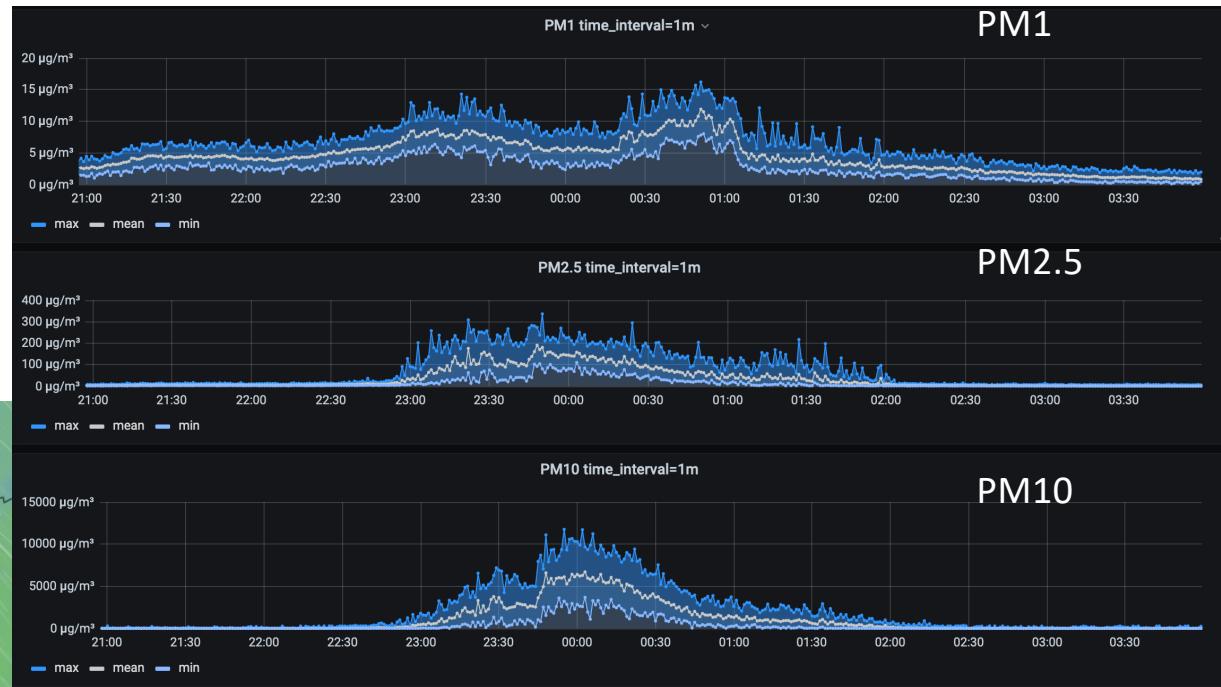
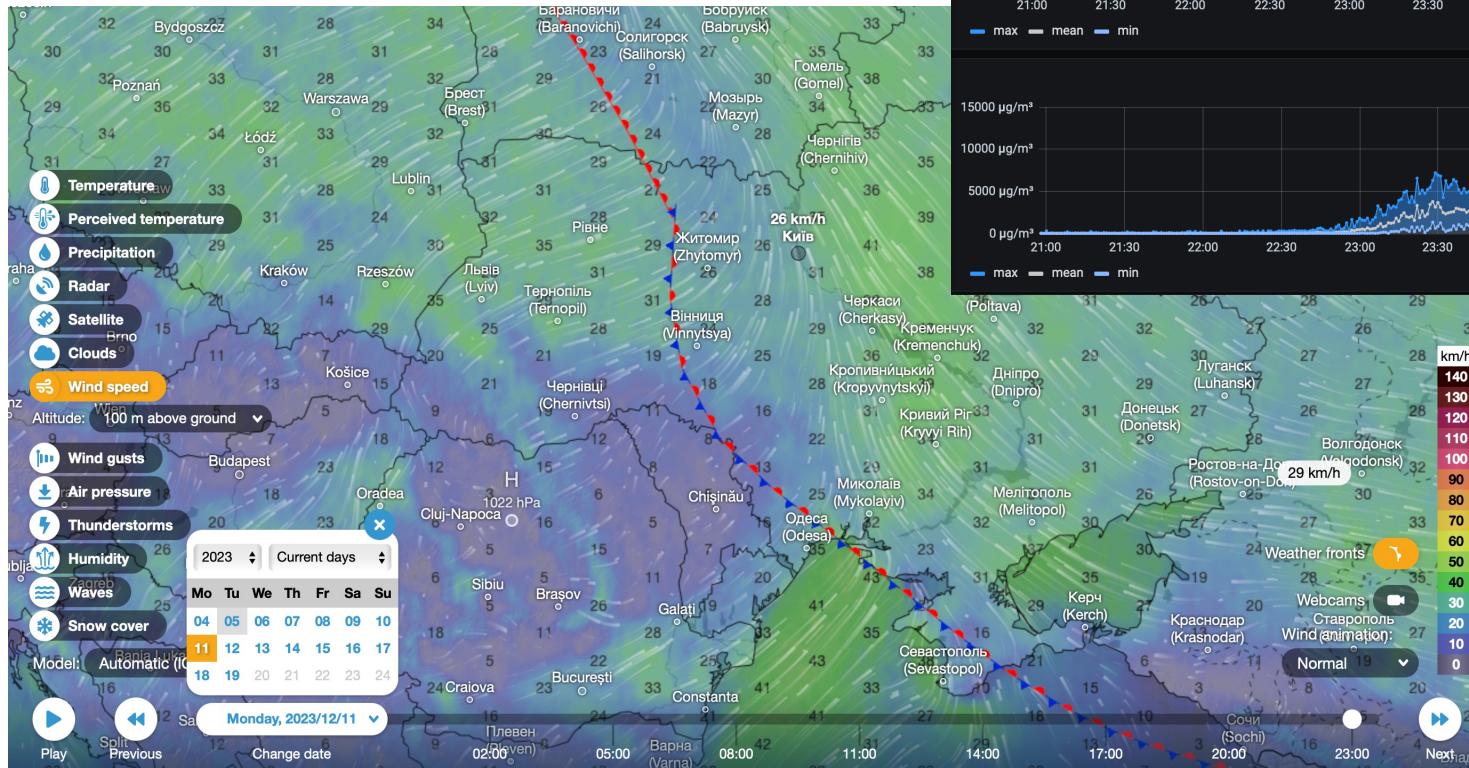


Aerosol during the lock-down



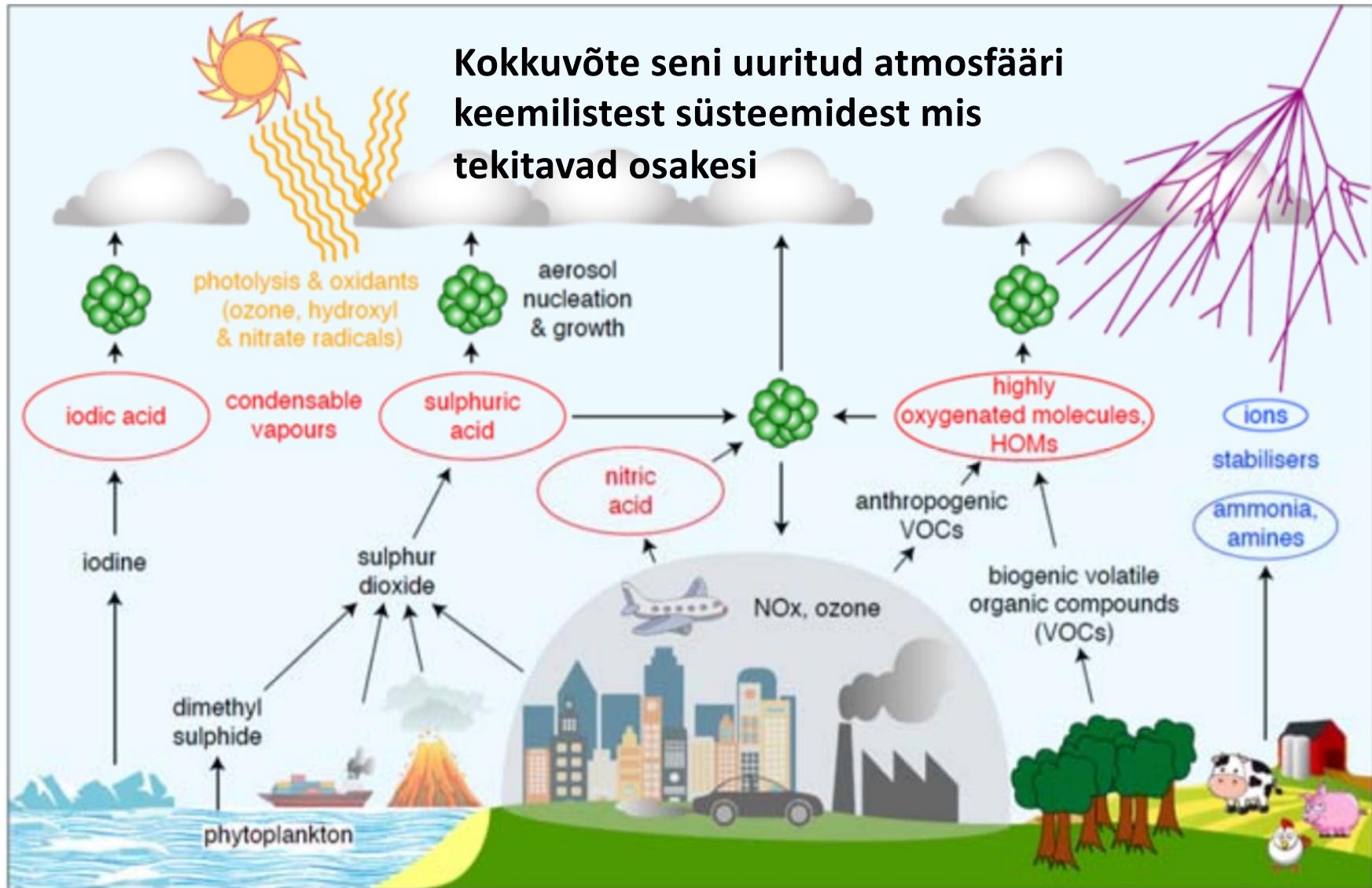
## On-going measurements in Kyiv started on September 2023

Many high PM events are associated  
with air raids downwind Kyiv



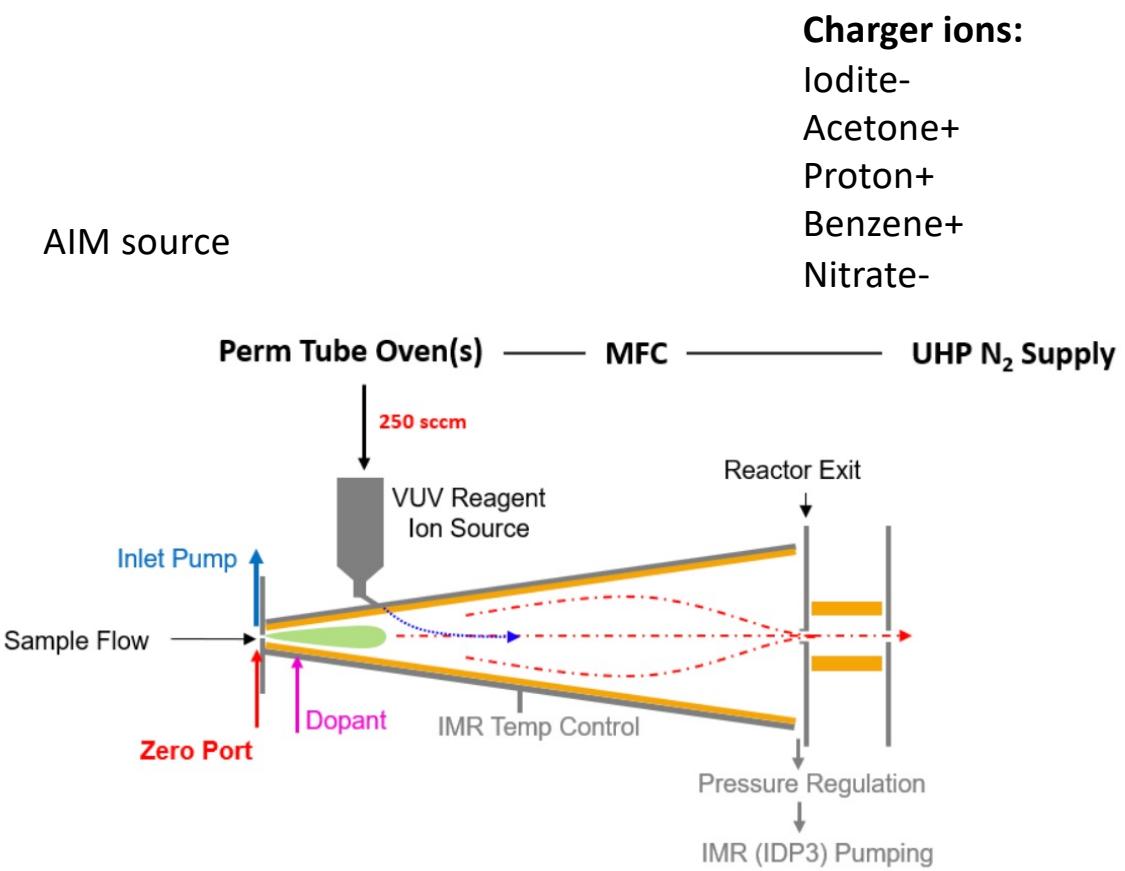
Aerosometer

## Kokkuvõte seni uuritud atmosfääri keemilistest süsteemidest mis tekitavad osakesi



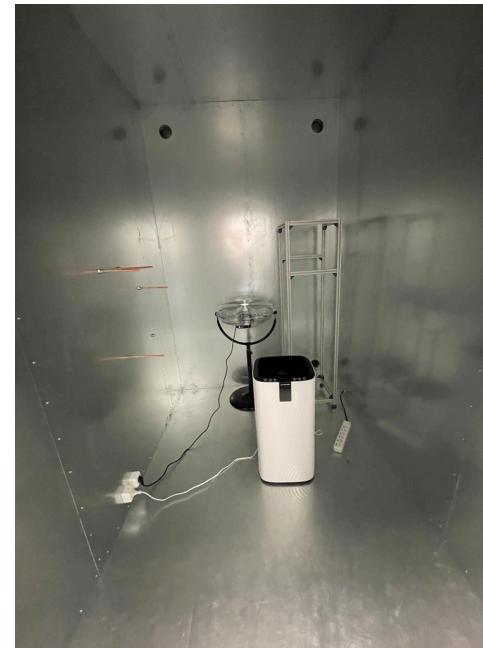
Kirkby et al. (2023) New particle formation in CERN CLOUD experiment. Science

# PTR-VOCUS (API-TOF module) and IMS-VOCUS (AIM + PTR)



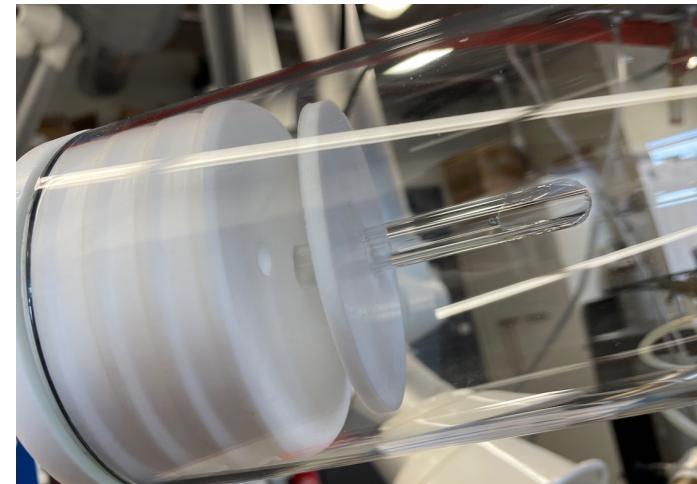
# Aerosooli uuringute testkamber

Aerosooliosakeste genereerimine, aerosooliosakeste suurusjaotus, ionid, osooni konsentratsioon  
õhupuhastite testimine, aerosooli sensorite testimine



# Lisaks maskide testimisele Atmosfääri- ja keskkonnateaduste laboris uurime:

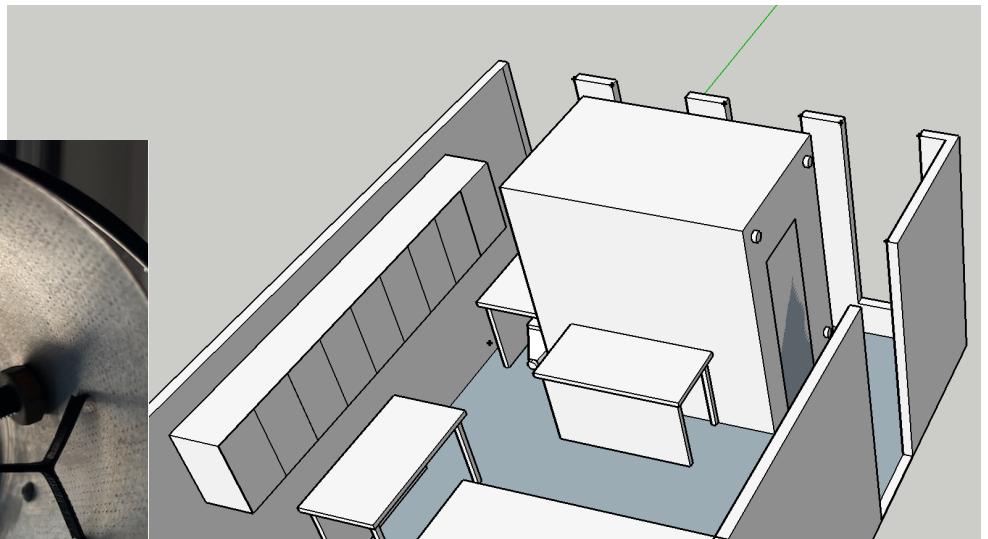
Flowtube for VOC oxidation studies



Air purifiers



Aerosol test chamber for intercomparison and air purifier tests



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