



## Supplement of

## Evaluation of the absorption Ångström exponents for traffic and wood burning in the Aethalometer-based source apportionment using radiocarbon measurements of ambient aerosol

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Figure S1: Residuals of EBC<sub>TR</sub>/EBC compared to EC<sub>F</sub>/EC ( $\Delta$ EBC<sub>TR</sub>/EBC) as a function of EBC<sub>TR</sub>/EBC calculated with  $\alpha_{TR} = 0.90$  and  $\alpha_{WB} = 1.68$  and using the wavelength pair 470 nm and 950 nm. The brown and black dashes lines denote the residuals of EBC<sub>TR</sub>/EBC with respect to an error of  $\alpha_{WB}$  and  $\alpha_{TR}$  ( $\Delta \alpha_{WB}$  and  $\Delta \alpha_{TR}$ ), respectively, and the solid coloured lines represent the errors in EBC<sub>TR</sub>/EBC with respect to errors in both,  $\alpha_{WB}$  and  $\alpha_{TR}$ .



Figure S2: Residuals of EBC<sub>TR</sub>/EBC compared to EC<sub>F</sub>/EC ( $\Delta$ EBC<sub>TR</sub>/EBC) as a function of EC<sub>F</sub>/EC for  $\alpha_{TR} = 0.8$  and  $\alpha_{WB} = 1.4$ -2.2 and using the wavelength pair 470 nm and 950 nm. Average  $\Delta$ EBC<sub>TR</sub>/EBC values for EC<sub>F</sub>/EC bins of 0.1 are displayed. The dashed grey line denotes the best  $\alpha$  pair ( $\alpha_{TR} = 0.9$  and  $\alpha_{WB} = 1.68$ ) as obtained in Sect. 3.2.1 and the dark and light grey shaded areas mark the 1 $\sigma$  (standard deviation) and 3 $\sigma$  of  $\Delta$ EBC<sub>TR</sub>/EBC per EC<sub>F</sub>/EC bins for this best  $\alpha$  pair.



Figure S3: Diurnal cycles of EBC for the stations MAG, PAY and ZUR - 1h averages from 2009 to 2012. EBC<sub>WB</sub> and EBC<sub>TR</sub> were calculated using the best  $\alpha$  pair ( $\alpha_{TR} = 0.9$  and  $\alpha_{WB} = 1.68$ ) as obtained in Sect. 3.2.1 and using the wavelength pair 470 nm and 950 nm. The split uncertainty between EBC<sub>WB</sub> and EBC<sub>TR</sub> ( $\Delta$ EBC<sub>TR</sub>/EBC) is max. 0.04 µg m<sup>-3</sup>.



Figure S4: Diurnal cycles of EBC for ZUR - 1h averages for winter week days from 2009 to 2012 calculated with different  $\alpha$  combinations and using the wavelength pair 470 nm and 950 nm.