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Interactive comment on “Sources of long-lived atmospheric VOCs at the rural boreal forest site, SMEAR II” by J. Patokoski et al.

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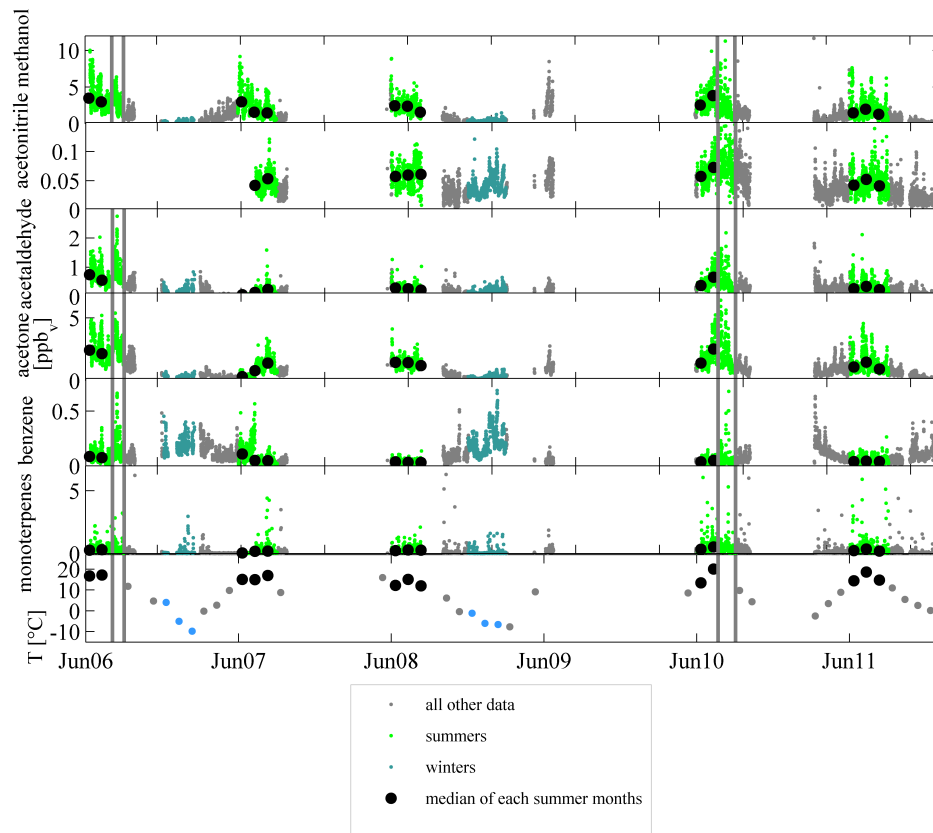
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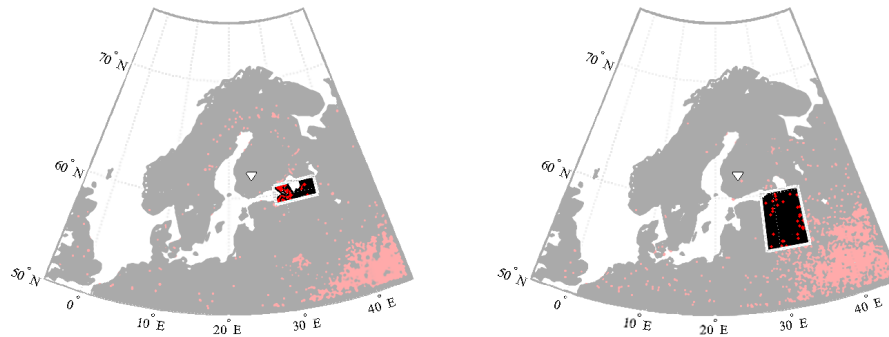


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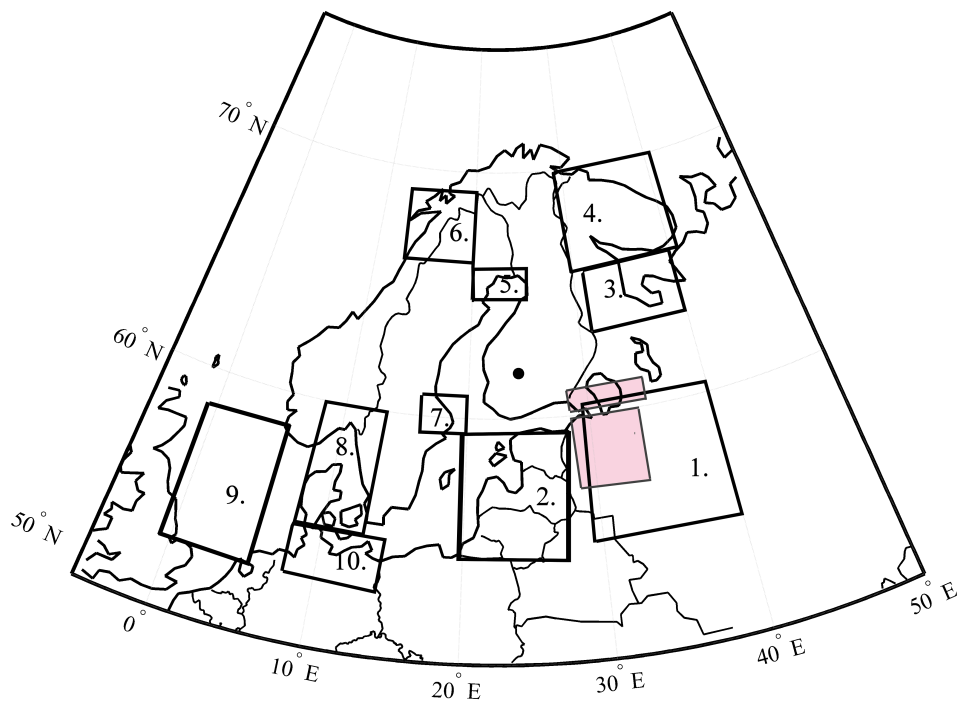
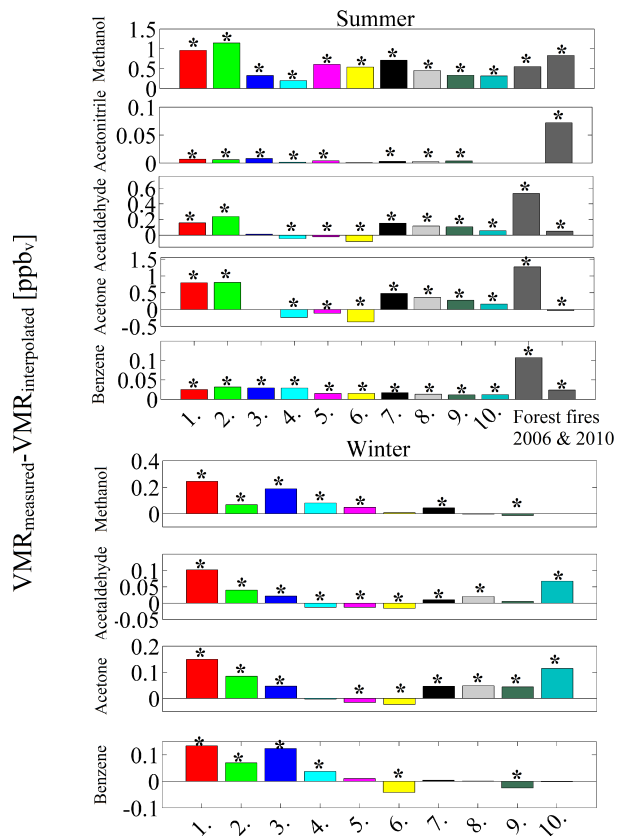
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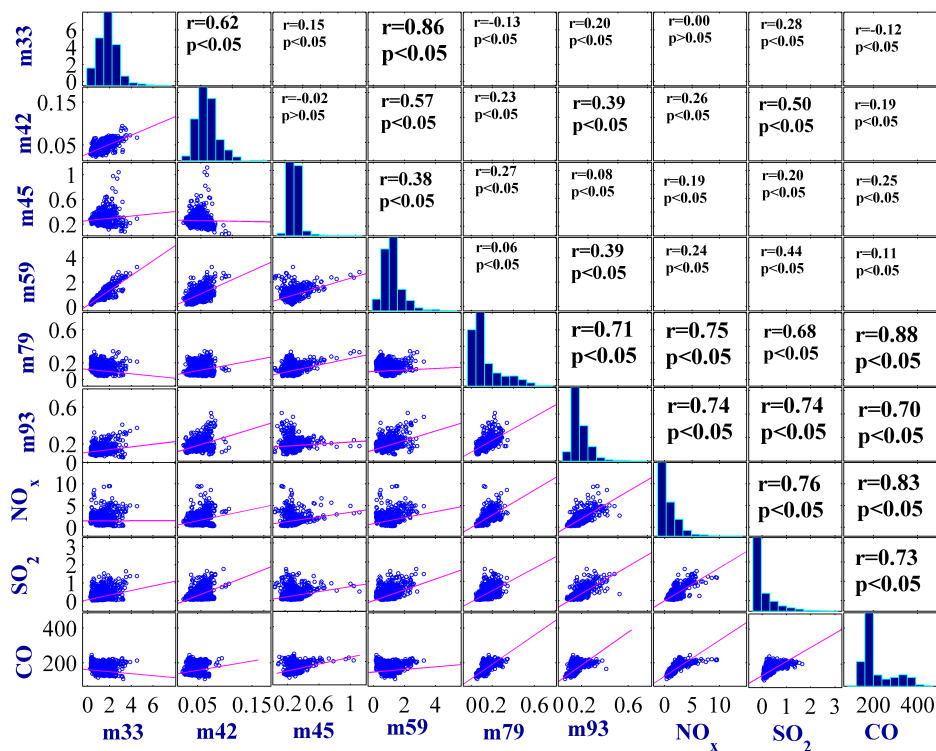


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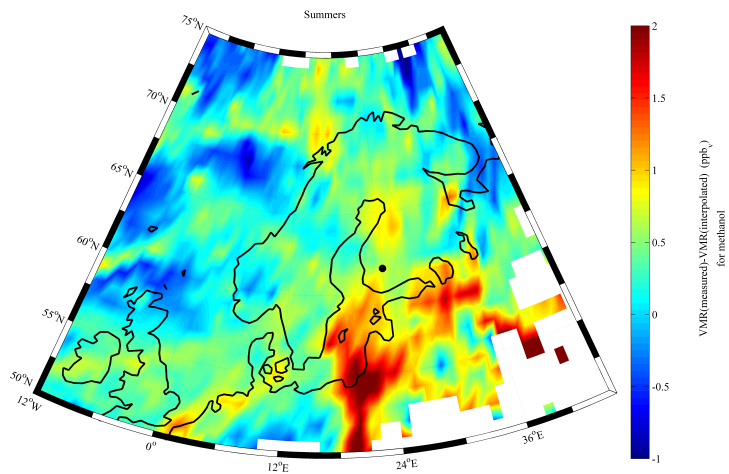
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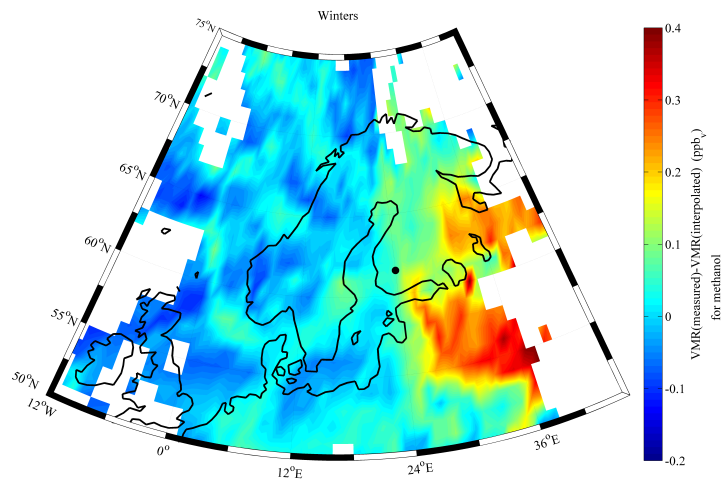
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Table 2. Concentrations of hydroxyl (OH), ozone (O₃), and nitrate radicals (NO₃) used in the lifetime calculations of the VOCs.

| Oxidants | winter [molecules cm ⁻³] | summer [molecules cm ⁻³] |
|-----------------------------|---|---|
| [OH] day | 5.5×10^9 ^a | 1.5×10^9 ^a |
| [O ₃] day/night | $6.8 \times 10^{11}/5.7 \times 10^{11}$ | $8.6 \times 10^{11}/7.1 \times 10^{11}$ |
| [NO ₃] night | 1.2×10^7 ^b | 4.2×10^7 ^b |

^a Hakola et al. (2003); ^b rescaled based on Hakola et al. (2003).

Fig. 8. Table2

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Comment**Table 3.** Reaction rate coefficients (k_{OH} , k_{O_3} , k_{NO_2}) and photolysis rates for the measured VOCs.

| | k_{OH} [cm ³ molecule ⁻¹ s ⁻¹] | k_{O_3} [cm ³ molecule ⁻¹ s ⁻¹] | k_{NO_2} [cm ³ molecule ⁻¹ s ⁻¹] | $J_{photolysis}$ in winter [s ⁻¹] | $J_{photolysis}$ in summer [s ⁻¹] |
|--------------|---|--|---|--|--|
| methanol | 9.00×10^{-13} a | | 2.42×10^{-16} a | | |
| acetaldehyde | 1.50×10^{-12} a | | 2.72×10^{-17} a | $1.50 \times 10^{0-1}$ | $3.27 \times 10^{0-1}$ |
| acetone | 1.80×10^{-12} a | | 3.00×10^{-17} a | $2.92 \times 10^{0-1}$ | $4.45 \times 10^{0-1}$ |
| benzene | 1.19×10^{-12} a | 1.70×10^{-10} a | 3.00×10^{-17} a | | |
| toluene | 5.60×10^{-13} a | 4.10×10^{-10} a | 6.79×10^{-17} a | | |
| monoterpens | 7.50×10^{-13} b | 1.4×10^{-10} b | 7.06×10^{-17} b | | |

a: Rate constants (k_{OH} , k_{O_3} , and k_{NO_2}) were calculated in Table C1 of this paper (preprint). b: Monoterpens rate constants (k_{OH} , k_{O_3} , and k_{NO_2}) were calculated as weighted average of individual monoterpene types listed in SMEAR II (Hollari et al., 2003, individual k values (Makela, 1996), c): Adkinson, 1994, d): <http://kinetics.com-petroleumresearch.com>, last access: 17 January 2015, e): Riene et al. (2007), f): Calculated similar to Makela et al. (2004).

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Table 4. Total atmospheric lifetimes (e -folding times) of the VOCs studied, daytime and night-time in summer and winter. Daytime values are the sums of lifetimes calculated towards O_3 , OH and photolysis. Night-time values were calculated towards O_3 and NO_3 .

| VOC | total lifetimes on a winter day | total lifetimes on a winter night | total lifetimes on a summer day | total lifetimes on a summer night |
|--------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| methanol | 244 230 d | 1 y | 9 d | +++ 110 d |
| acetonitrile | 29 y | 5300 y | 1 y | 1500 y |
| acetaldehyde | 7 5 d | 1 y | 2 1 d | 40+ 100 d |
| acetone | 48 d | 88 y | 15 d | 25 y |
| benzene | 477 180 d | 69 y | 6 d | 27 y |
| toluene | 38 d | 29 y | 1 d | 11 y |
| monoterpenes | 1 d | 3 h | 1 h | 0.9 h |

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Table 5. Mean VMRs of studied trace gases (ppb.) and **SDs** (standard deviations) (**±SDs**) before and during the forest fire episodes in 2006 and 2010. The VMRs of the compounds were calculated from VMR data which were selected using trajectories from the burning area. Area 1 is [32–36.58, 62° E, 58–62.7–36° NE] in 2006 and area 2 is [28–34.56–61° E, 46–44.28–34° NE] in 2010. Asterisk indicates when VMR of a trace gas differs significantly from pre-fire VMR (two-sided t-test)

| Compounds | in 2006 | | in 2006 | | in 2010 | | in 2010 | |
|-----------------|----------------|------|-----------------|------|----------------|------|----------------|------|
| | before episode | ±SD | during episode | ±SD | before episode | ±SD | during episode | ±SD |
| methanol | 4.044.9 | 0.78 | 2.243.2* | 1.21 | 2.743.7 | 0.75 | 2.663.7 | 2.10 |
| acetonitrile | | | | | 0.06 | 0.01 | 0.13* | 0.07 |
| acetaldehyde | 0.86 | 0.31 | 0.94 | 0.41 | 0.55 | 0.09 | 0.76* | 0.40 |
| acetone | 3.0 | 0.40 | 3.0 | 0.88 | 2.0 | 0.32 | 2.8* | 1.44 |
| benzene | 0.08 | 0.03 | 0.17* | 0.13 | 0.05 | 0.03 | 0.09* | 0.06 |
| toluene | 0.05 | 0.03 | 0.09* | 0.07 | 0.21 | 0.09 | 0.28* | 0.11 |
| sulphur dioxide | 0.23 | 0.14 | 0.16* | 0.15 | 0.20 | 0.12 | 0.35* | 0.42 |
| Nitrogen oxides | 1.3 | 0.56 | 1.3 | 0.51 | 0.60 | 0.47 | 0.47 | 0.28 |
| carbon monoxide | 130 | 5 | 150* | 49 | 110 | 9 | 150* | 45 |

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Table A1. Main industries of source areas.

| Source area | Main industries | Mean population density of area [persons km ⁻²] |
|--|---|---|
| 1. Western Russia | Oil and gas trade, shipbuilding yards, machine building, heavy machinery, mining, ferrous and nonferrous metallurgy, chemical industry and energy and paper production ¹ | 55 |
| 2. Northern Poland, Kaliningrad and Baltic countries | Machinery and chemical industry; chemicals, petroleum and refining, shipbuilding and coal mining ² , forestry with wood and processed wood products, chemical, pharmaceuticals, plastic and rubber industry, metal and electronics industry ³ | 63 |
| 3. Karelia and White Sea | Forest industry, ferrous and non-ferrous metallurgy, coastal areas of the White Sea: oil production and processing ⁴ | 3 |
| 4. Kola Peninsula and Barents Sea | Mining, iron industry (iron-ore enterprises and separators), apatite production and other metal industry such as aluminum and nickel plants and smelters ⁵ , petroleum industry ⁶ | 5 |
| 5. Bay of Bothnia | Metallurgy and wood and timber industry ⁷ | 15 |
| 6. Coast of Norwegian Sea and Northern Sweden | Machinery, metal industry and mining ^{7,8} | 3 |
| 7. Stockholm area | Electronics and chemical industry, machinery ⁷ | 48 |
| 8. Skagerrak | Machinery, metallurgy and chemical industry ⁷ | 117 |
| 9. North Sea and coastal areas | Oil production ⁹ | 358 |
| 10. Northern Germany | Chemicals, plastics, electronics and automotive industry ¹⁰ , dockyards for shipbuilding, metal industry and machinery ¹¹ | 203 |

¹ Rio Nevosti (2010), World Factbook (2014a); ² World Factbook (2014b); ³ Industries (2014c); ⁴ Arctic Centre (2005); ⁵ Hansen and Tommessen (1998); ⁶ Austvik (2007); ⁷ Intership to industry (2009); ⁸ Bohman green logistics corridor (2012); ⁹ EIA (2014); ¹⁰ GTAI (2013); ¹¹ GTAI (2011).

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