

***Interactive comment on “Regional and local variations in atmospheric aerosols using ground-based sun photometry during DRAGON in 2012” by Itaru Sano et al.***

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The paper "Regional and local variations in atmospheric aerosols using ground-based sun photometry during DRAGON in 2012" by I. Sano et al. is aimed at studies atmospheric aerosol load using solar light extinction measurements at several locations during DRAGON in 2012. I suggest the publication of this paper after minor changes. Suggestions: 1. I would advice to change the title explaining the meaning of the abbreviation. 2. Please, discuss the accuracy of measurements in terms of AOT. This will also help to understand the significance of the trends found.

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