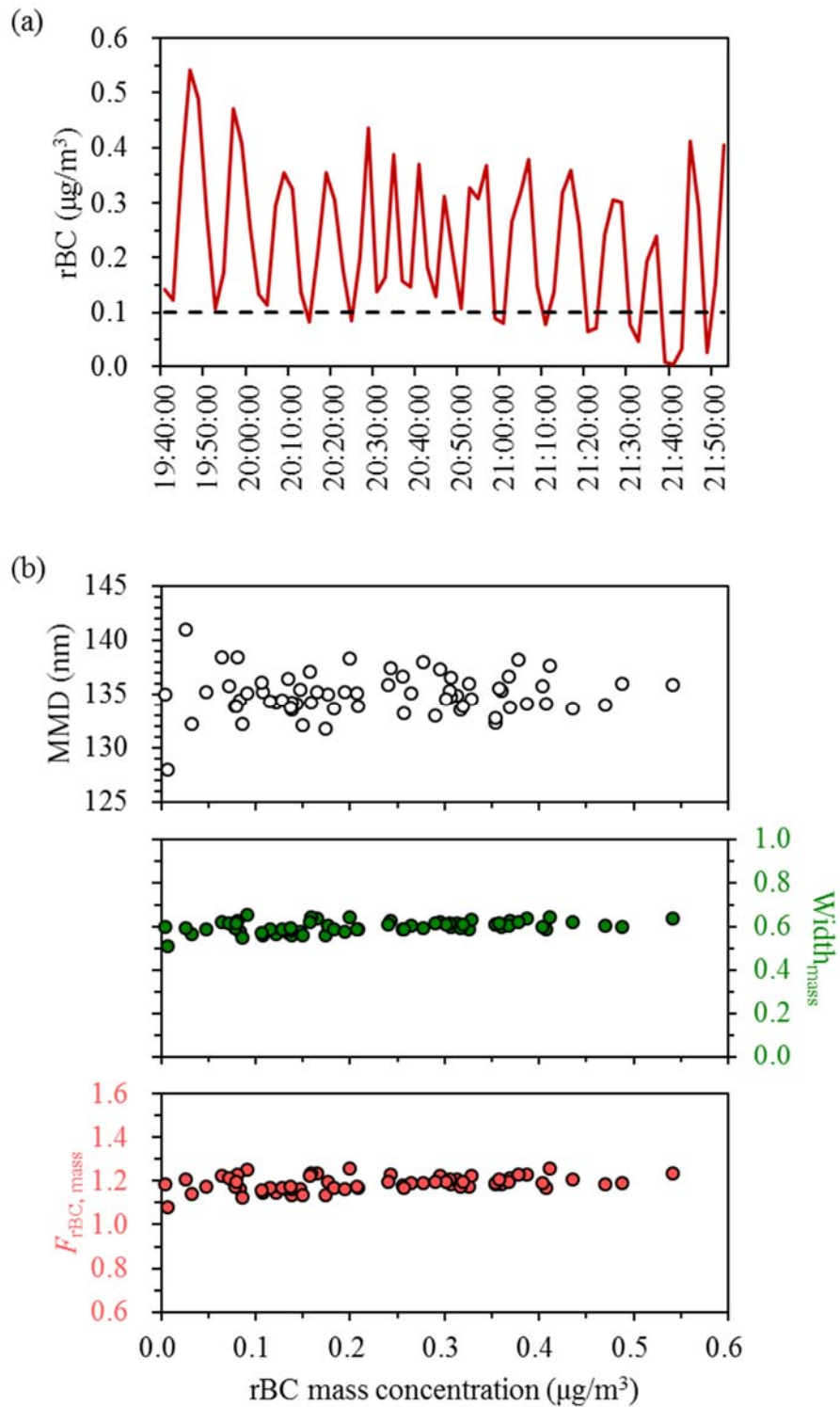


**Table S1.** A summary of rBC size distribution parameters for the 14 emission flights, including MMD (mass median diameter; in nm),  $Width_{mass}$  (mass distribution width; dimensionless), NMD (number median diameter; in nm), and  $Width_{number}$  (number distribution width; dimensionless).

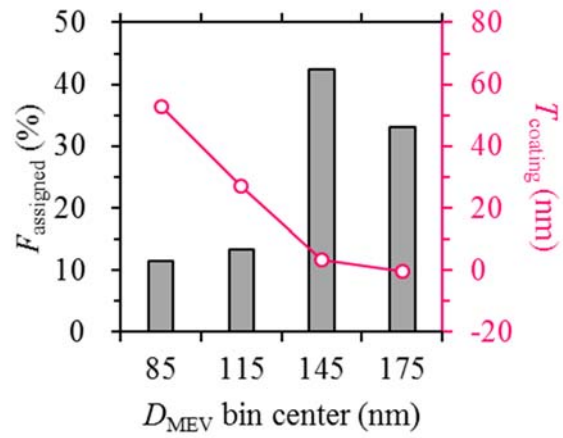
Date (flight ID)	MMD	$Width_{mass}$	NMD	$Width_{number}$
14 August, 2013 (F_8/14)	$153.75 \pm 0.64$	$0.71 \pm 0.01$	$76.18 \pm 0.64$	$0.67 \pm 0.01$
15 August, 2013 (F_8/15)	$144.82 \pm 0.54$	$0.74 \pm 0.01$	$66.99 \pm 0.44$	$0.71 \pm 0.01$
17 August, 2013 (F_8/17)	$145.70 \pm 1.57$	$0.72 \pm 0.02$	$66.61 \pm 1.33$	$0.73 \pm 0.02$
19 August, 2013 (F_8/19)	$141.82 \pm 0.58$	$0.75 \pm 0.01$	$61.12 \pm 0.65$	$0.75 \pm 0.01$
20 August, 2013 (F_8/20)	$134.46 \pm 0.99$	$0.74 \pm 0.02$	$62.18 \pm 0.80$	$0.72 \pm 0.01$
21 August, 2013 (F_8/21)	$136.19 \pm 0.67$	$0.70 \pm 0.01$	$63.99 \pm 0.69$	$0.72 \pm 0.01$
22 August, 2013 (F_8/22)	$141.98 \pm 0.98$	$0.70 \pm 0.01$	$64.35 \pm 1.16$	$0.74 \pm 0.01$
24 August, 2013 (F_8/24)	$135.46 \pm 0.94$	$0.74 \pm 0.02$	$63.14 \pm 0.56$	$0.71 \pm 0.01$
26 August, 2013 (F_8/26)	$135.02 \pm 0.37$	$0.61 \pm 0.01$	$78.38 \pm 0.54$	$0.61 \pm 0.01$
28 August, 2013 (F_8/28)	$138.82 \pm 0.71$	$0.74 \pm 0.01$	$63.77 \pm 0.41$	$0.72 \pm 0.00$
29 August, 2013 (F_8/29)	$134.00 \pm 0.46$	$0.70 \pm 0.01$	$64.65 \pm 0.48$	$0.70 \pm 0.01$
2 September, 2013 (F_9/2)	$135.78 \pm 2.04$	$0.72 \pm 0.03$	$63.71 \pm 1.13$	$0.71 \pm 0.01$
3 September, 2013 (F_9/3)	$137.53 \pm 0.93$	$0.76 \pm 0.02$	$64.64 \pm 0.70$	$0.70 \pm 0.01$
6 September, 2013 (F_9/6)	$135.01 \pm 0.77$	$0.71 \pm 0.01$	$66.00 \pm 0.71$	$0.69 \pm 0.01$

**Table S2.** A summary of rBC size distribution parameters for the 3 transformation flights. Results from successive flight screens are shown separately for each flight.

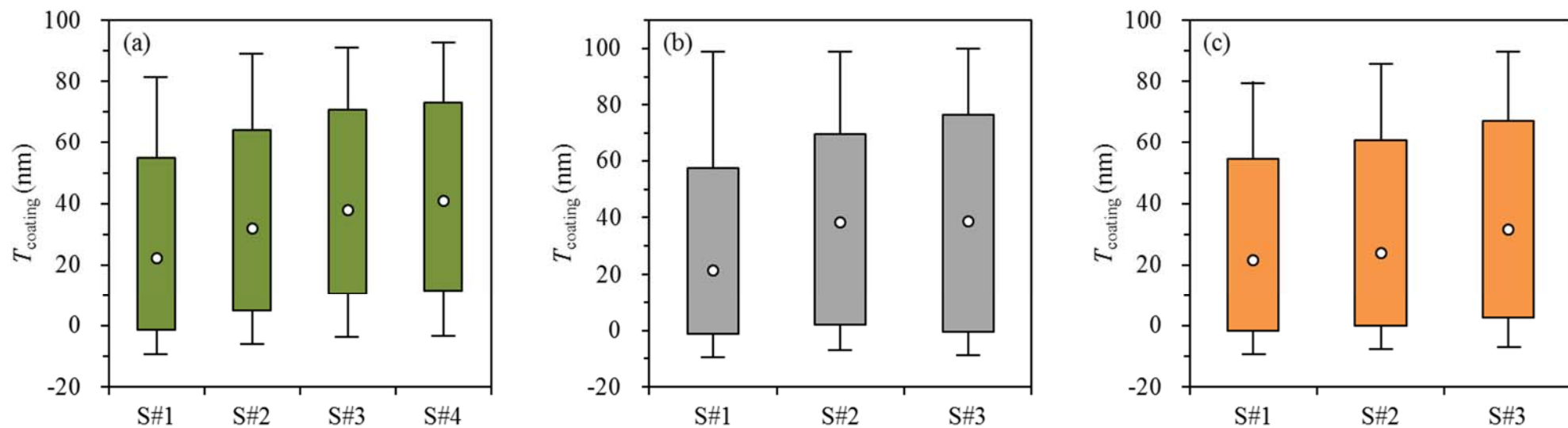
Flight and screen ID	MMD	Width <sub>mass</sub>	NMD	Width <sub>number</sub>
<i>4 September, 2013 (F_9/4)</i>				
Screen #1	140.87 ± 0.43	0.70 ± 0.01	69.07 ± 0.36	0.69 ± 0.00
Screen #2	141.13 ± 0.88	0.71 ± 0.01	71.59 ± 0.62	0.67 ± 0.01
Screen #3	147.47 ± 1.45	0.74 ± 0.02	71.11 ± 0.95	0.69 ± 0.01
Screen #4	146.97 ± 2.71	0.76 ± 0.04	71.11 ± 0.89	0.68 ± 0.01
Screen #5	142.42 ± 0.60	0.68 ± 0.01	72.00 ± 0.47	0.67 ± 0.01
<i>19 August, 2013 (F_8/19)</i>				
Screen #1	139.76 ± 1.67	0.76 ± 0.03	58.21 ± 2.26	0.77 ± 0.03
Screen #2	139.33 ± 1.78	0.74 ± 0.03	63.33 ± 2.04	0.73 ± 0.02
Screen #3	145.12 ± 1.57	0.79 ± 0.02	59.33 ± 2.29	0.78 ± 0.03
<i>5 September, 2013 (F_9/5)</i>				
Screen #1	149.85 ± 2.46	0.74 ± 0.03	70.88 ± 1.23	0.70 ± 0.02
Screen #2	148.79 ± 1.19	0.67 ± 0.02	72.67 ± 0.92	0.70 ± 0.01
Screen #3	151.62 ± 1.54	0.71 ± 0.02	73.48 ± 1.51	0.70 ± 0.02



**Figure S1.** (a) Temporal variation of 2-min averaged rBC mass concentration during F\_8/26, and (b) dependences of rBC MMD,  $\text{Width}_{\text{mass}}$  and  $F_{\text{rBC, mass}}$  on rBC concentration. The dashed line in (a) indicates an rBC concentration of  $0.1 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  which can be used to distinguish the typical in- and out-of-plume conditions for this flight.



**Figure S2.** Dependences of coating thickness ( $T_{\text{coating}}$ ) and the fraction of rBC cores that can be assigned a coating thickness ( $F_{\text{assigned}}$ , in %) on rBC core size ( $D_{\text{MEV}}$ ) for the emission flight F\_9/3. Refer to the caption of Figure 10 in the main manuscript for more details.



**Figure S3.** Evolutions of in-plume coating thickness ( $T_{\text{coating}}$ ) for rBC cores in the  $D_{\text{MEV}}$  range of 130–160 nm during the transformation flights (a) F\_9/4, (b) F\_8/19 and (c) F\_9/5. The counts of the 130–160 nm rBC cores that can be assigned a coating thickness are  $\sim 2450$ – $3600$ ,  $300$ – $400$ , and  $700$ – $1600$  for successive flight screens of F\_9/4, F\_8/19 and F\_9/5, respectively.  $F_{\text{assigned}}$  are  $\sim 35$ – $45\%$ ,  $30$ – $35\%$ , and  $30$ – $45\%$  for the 130–160 nm rBC cores observed during F\_9/4, F\_8/19 and F\_9/5, respectively.