

***Interactive comment on “Vertical characterization of aerosol optical properties and brown carbon in winter in urban Beijing, China” by Conghui Xie et al.***

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This is a very brief comment to recommend that the authors use the terminology established in Petzold et al. (2013) when referring to aethalometer measurements. That is, use eBC rather than just BC.

Additionally, I would suggest writing MAC(637nm) rather than simply MAC on the figures, as was done in the abstract.

Best regards,

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