Asia Network of surface ozone monitoring – Japan, East Asia, and beyond...

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NIES's ozone standard activity since 2002

- The major objectives were to:
 - i. pursue reliable reference standards (i.e. SRP vs. GPT),
 - ii. achieve international comparability (with BIPM and NIST),
 - iii. establish regional traceability network for field studies,
 - iv. make/maintain a traceability system in Japan (with MOE-J),
 - v. act as a reference center for some monitoring networks,
 - vi. discuss an opportunities/challenges to be a national reference/calibration center in Japan (with NMIJ)

for ozone, one of the most "environmentally" important trace gases in the troposphere from local to global perspective.

Since its beginning...

2002 2003	• NIES GPT vs. NIST SRP #2 "informal" intercomparison
2004 April	 NIST SRP #35 delivery and deployment at NIES Improvement in NIES GPT system
July	 International comparison for national ozone standards at BIPM (CCQM-P28)
2005	
January	 NIES GPT vs. NIST SRP #35 comparison
March	 International intercomparison during ABC Gosan campaign at Jeju Island, Korea
2006	 Building traceability network in Japan for air quality monitoring by Ministry of Environment, Japan
	• NIST SRP #47 delivery and deployment at NIES

In 2004, four SRPs in Asia



Surface O₃ monitoring networks in East Asia



ABC-East Asia campaign



- Regional traceability network is to be established to detect possible changes in current and future air quality in East Asia
- O₃ instruments UV photometry are welldesigned
 - same method, but different manufacturer/model (e.g., Dasibi, TEI, Horiba, 2B Tech, ...)
- Major effort is:
 - to establish calibration/correction criteria within ABC
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Intercomparison outline



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SRP-based linkage with other programs

GAW sites



Surface O₃ monitoring networks in East Asia





Japan's operational monitoring network, Ministry of Environment, Japan



Japan's traceability system/network, 1970-2000s



- 42/47 local governments used the KI method for calibration of ozone monitors
- The KI method had a wide range of sensitivity and higher average (10%) than that of the UV method

Japan's traceability system/network, 2010s



- Five-layer-"top down" traceability system based on SRP 35/47
- SRP-vs.-secondary standard comparisons are made annually
- Secondary-vs.-tertiary standard comparisons are made twice a year (before/after photochemical smog season)

Japan's traceability system/network, 2010s



Stability of 7 secondary standards, 2010-2019



Stability of tertiary standards, 2010-2019



1.02 1.00 0.98 0.96

2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020

Comparisons of tertiary vs. secondary standards



- Majority of tertiary standards are within 1% (slope) and 1 ppb (intercept) in reference to secondary standards
- Some are outside of these ranges

NIES SRP works as a reference for Indonesian sites



Credit: Hitoshi Mukai, Shigeru Hashimoto

In 2020, eighteen(!!) SRPs in Asia



Summary

- In Asia, the capacity of ozone standards as well as ambient monitoring has shown a great progress over the past decade, in both quality and quantity
- In East Asia, there were "research-level" efforts of coordination to make sure of regional traceability, and this helped assure a comparability of ozone monitoring data, including WMO-GAW and EANET
- These efforts were mainly for East Asia, not for the rest of Asia
- As a joint NIES-MOE-Japan efforts, Japan established a traceability system for operational monitoring network and it is working quite well
- The current style is rather a "grass-roots" type, so whether we should move to more "top-down" style of intercomparison, traceability system, or regional coordination exercise (in addition to CCQM) is the next question to be discussed among stakeholders from metrology, environment, and meteorology communities
- It seems that there are no substantial efforts on ozone standards in APMP (Asia Pacific Metrology Programme), though there are some on standards of other gaseous air pollutants

Stability of SRP35 & 47 against SRP 2



- Comparisons were made in 2004, 2008, 2013, 2015, and 2020 (every 2-4 years)
- The sensitivity changes are within 0.1%

CCQM-P28 results

degrees of equivalence - slopes



Pursuing reliable standards

(SRP35-GPT)/GPT (%)



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