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New Particle Formation in Polluted Atmospheres by Nanocluster Dynamics Assessment

Fact Sheet

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Project description

Investigating how new particles form in polluted areas

The formation of atmospheric particles starts from the growth of small molecular clusters. However, the probability that freshly formed clusters reach larger sizes in heavily polluted urban areas is small because aerosol particles act as a sink for them and for condensable vapours. The EU-funded NPF-PANDA project plans to measure cluster-size distributions below 3 nm in urban areas using multiple instruments and

data analysis methods. By combining measurements from Beijing with laboratory experiments at the CERN CLOUD chamber, the magnitude of the underlying microphysical growth processes such as coagulation or condensation will be disentangled and the effects of different precursor gases will be tested. The project's results will demonstrate how fast growth affects the probability of the newly formed clusters surviving under high condensation sink.

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