Pollutants of Concern

Air Pollutants Criteria

- Nitrogen Oxide
 - Sulfur Oxide
 - PM10
- Volatile Organic Compounds
 - Carbon Monoxide
 - Ozone

Nitrogen Oxides



N (Nitrogen)

O (Oxygen)

N + O — NO (Nitric Oxide)

 $N_2 + O \rightarrow N_2O$ (Nitrous Oxide)

 $N + O_2 \longrightarrow NO_2$ (Nitrogen Dioxide)

Nitrogen Oxide Sources



- Gasoline
- Diesel Engines
- Home Furnaces
- Electrical Power Plants
 - Industrial Processes
 - Explosives
 - Burning of Coal

Nitrogen Oxide Effects

Low Levels

- Irritation of eyes,
 nose and throat
- Shortness of breath,tiredness andnausea

High Levels

- RespiratoryInfection
- Lung Damage
 - Bronchitis



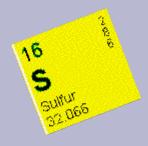


S (Sulfur)

O (Oxygen)

S+O -> SO (Sulfur Monoxide)

 $S + O_2 \longrightarrow SO_2$ (Sulfur Dioxide)



Sulfur Oxide Sources



- Combustion of fuel containing sulfur (mostly coal and oil)
 - Produced during metal smelting
 - Industrial Processes
 - Volcanic Eruptions

Sulfur Oxide Effects

- Wheezing, chest tightness, and shortness of breath
- Respiratory Illness
- Alterations in the lungs' defenses

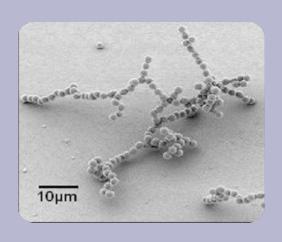


PM10

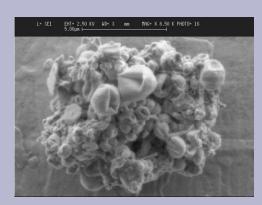
- Particulate matter (PM), Particulates, or Particle Pollution are general terms for solid or liquid particles found in the atmosphere.
- The number 10 refers to the particle size which is expressed as a measurement of diameter in micrometers (or microns).



PM10 Sources

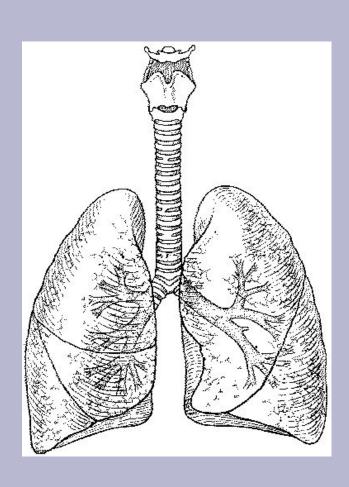


- Dust
- Cigarette Smoke
- Lawn Mowing
- Fires



PM10 Effects

- Aggravated Asthma
- Chronic Bronchitis
- Reduced Lung Function
- Irregular Heartbeat
- Heart Attacks
- o Visual Impairment



Volatile Organic Compounds

- Organic chemical compound
- Volatile and has the ability to vapor into atmosphere
- Chemical organic compounds are not only one but different ones formed from various compounds

Volatile Organic Compounds Sources

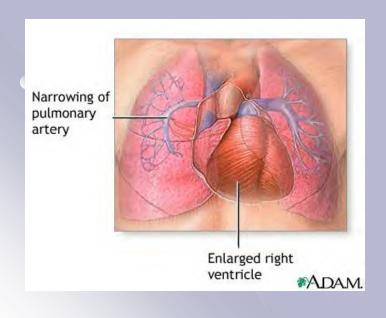
- Paint Stripper
- Wood preservatives
- Aerosols
- Plastics
- Cleaning Fluids
- Fuel

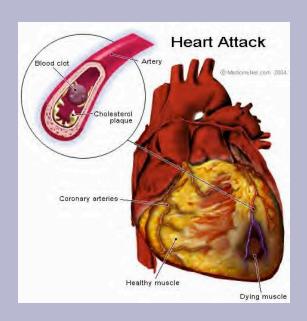


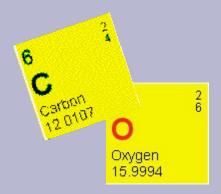


Causes

- Symptoms of pulmonary diseases
 - Increase rate of heart attacks
 - Sick building syndrome





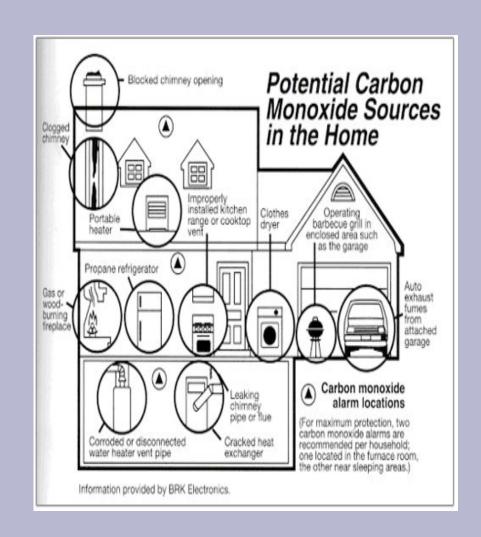


Carbon Monoxide and our Ozone Layer



Sources of CO

- Automobiles
- Corporations
- Cigarette smoke
- Household items



Ozone Layer Depletion

• CO & CFCs

UV Rays

Global Warming



Hitting at Home

