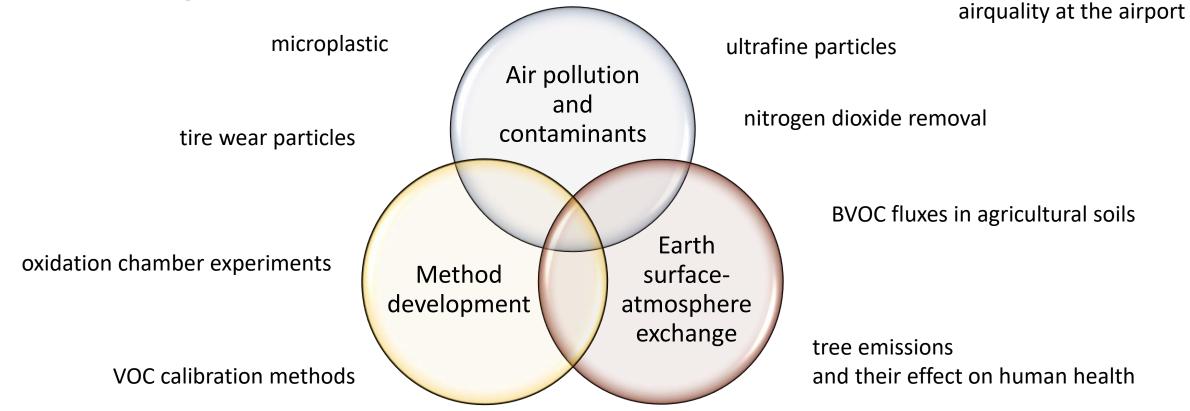
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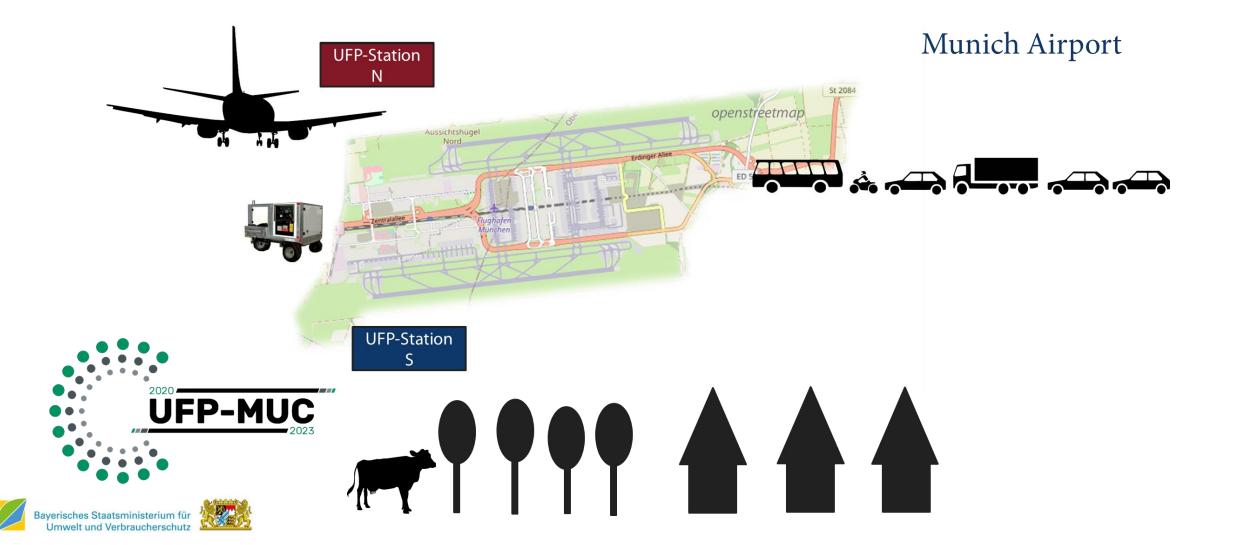
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Ultrafine particles @ Munich airport





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Motivation:

Airports can be significant sources for ultrafine particles. The impact of these particles on the surrounding neighbourhoods is yet poorly understood.

Possible theses topics:

- How to take meaningful snap-shots with hand-held UFP-analyzers?
- Method development for the chemical analysis of airport UFP analyzing the airports fingerprint
- How do airport UFP compare to other atmospheric pollutants?

Tools:

Hand-held particle analyzers, reference particle size spectrometers, data analysis, HPLC-MS or GC-MS, lab and field work



Method development for analyzing ultrafine particle chemical compositions

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Particle chemical composition reveals hidden information

Origin & source Age & history Risk for human health

Impact on the environment

Method development for analyzing ultrafine particle chemical compositions

Motivation:

Ultrafine particles in air expose a so far understudied and non-regulated health risk. Knowledge of their chemical composition may reveal their sources and fate.

Possible theses topics:

- Optimize existing methods to analyse **selected marker components** in UFP (tire wear, soot, PAH, ELVOC or SVOC, elemental composition)
- Develop fingerprint analysis for ambient UFP samples
- Chamber experiments for understanding the formation of particle-bound products of VOC

Tools:

impactor techniques for separation and collection, tuning and method development of standard analytical instrumentation (GC-MS, HPLC-MS/FLD, others)





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Can we filter NO₂ from urban air?

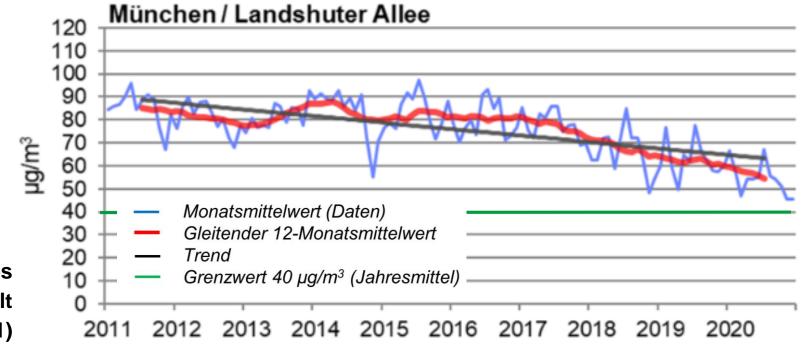
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Stickstoffdioxid (NO₂) Messungen des Bayerischen Landesamts für Umwelt (Bericht 2021)

Can we filter NO₂ from urban air?





Motivation:

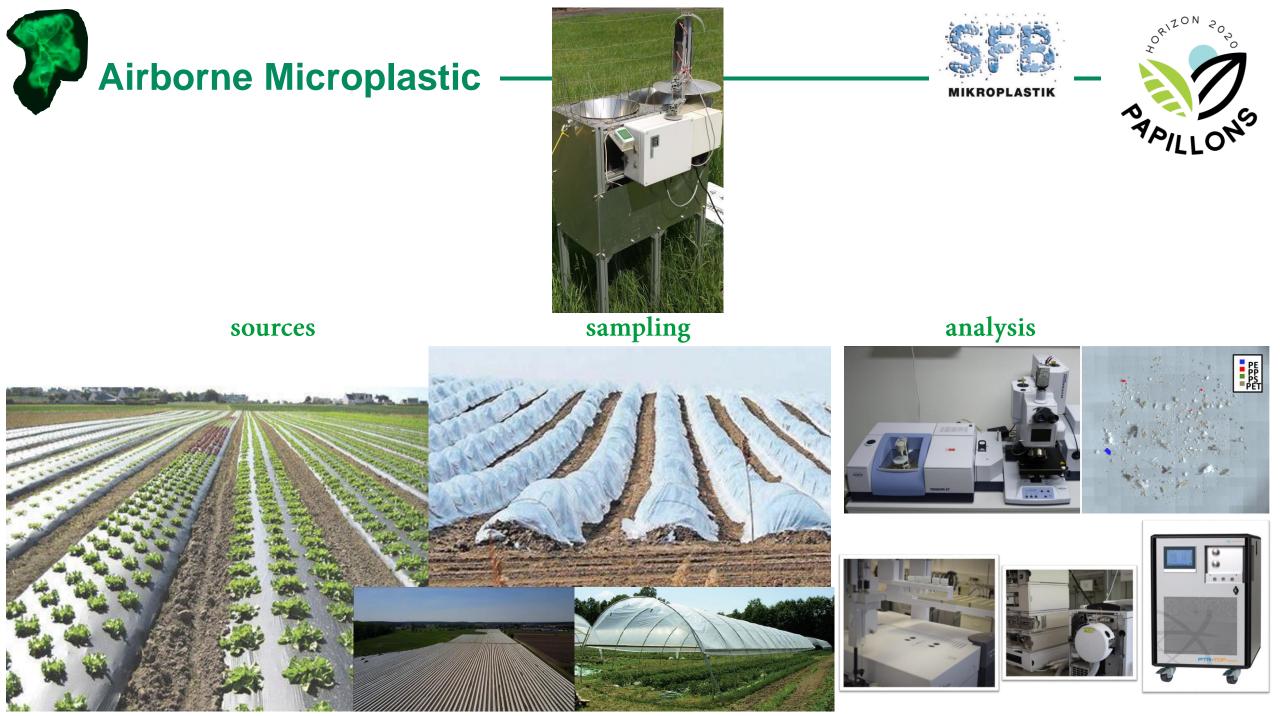
Despite generally improving air quality the pollutant NO_2 remains high at urban sites in Munich. We want to test whether and how passive air filtration systems can reduce NO_2 .

Possible theses topics:

- Field campaign study on the NO₂ reduction efficiency within the outflow of the filtration systems
- Budgeting sources and sinks of NO₂ in Munich
- Mobile measurements of NO-NO₂-O₃ within Munich urban street canyons
- Annual variation of VOC @ Landshuter Allee

Tools:

 $NO-NO_2-O_3$ measurements and/or data





Airborne Microplastic



Motivation:

The atmosphere transports and ages microplastic. However, both sufficient methods for detection and mechanistic studies on airborne microplastic are rare.

Possible theses topics:

- Analysis of airborne microplastic in one year of monthly deposition samples
- Method development for microplastic tracer detection in airborne particulate matter
- Atmospheric transport of microplastics originated from plastics used in agriculture
- Aging of PS under realistic atmospheric conditions

Tools:

clean-up of atmospheric samples, µFTIR, PTR-ToF-MS, SPME-GC-MS

cooperation with Animal ecology and Micrometeorology groups



BVOC emissions from trees under climate change and their effect on human health.

Experimental quantification of simultaneous water states, fluxes and BVOCs exchange in agricultural soils.





Earth surface - atmosphere exchange

Motivation:

Earth surface-atmosphere exchange processes shape the air we breath. However, they are a vulnerable and so far only poorly understood subject to climate change.

Possible theses topics:

- BVOC emissions from trees under climate change and their effect on human health
- Experimental quantification of simultaneous water states, fluxes and BVOCs exchange in agricultural soils
- Calibration techniques for high-quality atmospheric BVOC-measurements

Tools:

PTR-ToF-MS, TD-GC-FID

cooperation with Soil physics and Sport ecology/Public Health Nutrition

Theses Topics: Overview

