



## **Spatio-temporal variations of chemical composition of atmospheric aerosols over background region of southern part of Western Siberia**

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In this paper we present the results 13-year study of aerosol chemical composition over background region of Siberia. The Antonov-30 "OPTIK-E" airborne laboratory of the Institute of Atmospheric Optics has been carrying out regular (monthly) airborne sounding over southern regions of West Siberia since July 1997. Airborne surveys are mainly performed over forested area near the boundary of Novosibirsk and Altai regions in the 500 to 7000 m atmospheric layer. Aerosols are sampled onto FPP filters, which then analyzed at the Laboratory of Environmental Monitoring of Tomsk State University. The volume of air aspirated through each filter is 1-4 m<sup>3</sup>. Physico-chemical techniques of quantitative analysis are used to analyze the chemical composition of the aerosol (Si, Al, Fe, Mg, Ca, Ti, Cu, Mn, Cr, Ag, Pb, Ni, Ba, Sn, V, Mo, Co, B, Be, K<sup>+</sup>, Na<sup>+</sup>, Cl<sup>-</sup>, SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup>, NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>, Br<sup>-</sup>, F<sup>-</sup>, NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>).

Statistic analysis of mass concentrations of ions and elements showed that empiric distributions for majority components can be described by logarithmically normal law. It is verified by high values of correlation coefficients and  $\chi^2$ -criterion between empiric and theoretical distributions.

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