

High precision F-gas measurement and application in estimate Chinese F-gas emission

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Flask and in situ measurements of ODSs and HFCs (CMA)











Medusa-GC/MS, technique developed by AGAGE



Changes of Chinese HFC emissions by inverse modeling



Comparison with bottom-up inventory



Yao & Fang et al. EST Letters, 2019



For 2005–2016, emission gap (~ 270 Tg CO₂-eq in 2016) between the summed emissions from Annex I countries and China and the global total HFC CO₂-eq emissions increased over 2005–2016, which suggests substantial increases in HFC use and emissions in developing countries (not obligated to report emissions to the UNFCCC) other than China.

More stations to fill the emission gap of controlled ODS and F-gas



Footprint of AGAGE and NOAA stations

Identification of gaps in the global coverage of atmospheric monitoring of controlled substances and options to enhance such monitoring

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ODS5-PRO: System composition

- Design
 - All parts in one frame.
 - Separated compartments for electrics, traps and cooling, and valves.
 - Built-in cryocooler.
 - Built-in trap heater.
 - Built-in control PC.
 - Automatic power control.
 - Wheels for moving.



Chromatograph of ambient air sample





Precisions of major species

No.	Species	ODS-	SDZ	Mixing	No.	Species	ODS-	SDZ	Mixing	No.	Species	ODS-	SDZ	Mixing
	-	Pro	Medusa	ratio		•	Pro	Medusa	ratio		•	Pro	Medusa	ratio
1	PFC-116	1.6%	3.0%	5.27	19	CFC-12	0.4%	0.2%	503.1	37	H-1211	1.8%	2.0%	3.34
2	PFC-218	4.0%	6.0%	0.71	20	CFC-13	5.1%	1.5%	3.37	38	H-1301	2.9%	3.0%	3.42
3	PFC-318	2.4%	2.0%	2.52	21	CFC-112	3.7%	10.0%	0.56	39	H-2402	2.7%	3.0%	0.40
4	C ₆ F ₁₄	5.7%	5.0%	0.32	22	CFC-113	0.4%	0.5%	70.1	40	CH ₃ CCl ₃	4.6%	3.0%	1.55
5	SF ₆	0.8%	1.0%	10.5	23	CFC-114	0.7%	0.5%	16.3	41	CH ₃ Cl	0.4%	0.8%	563.9
6	SO ₂ F ₂	2.6%	3.0%	2.68	24	CFC-115	1.8%	1.5%	8.79	42	CH ₂ Cl ₂	1.5%	1.0%	86.1
7	HFC-23	0.5%	1.0%	75.6	25	CFC-1113		5.0%		43	CHCl ₃	0.5%	3.0%	24.7
8	HFC-32	1.9%	2.0%	31.9	26	HCFC-21		3.0%	~ 0.5	44	CCl ₄	0.8%	2.0%	77.2
9	HFC-125	0.8%	2.0%	35.8	27	HCFC-22	0.9%	0.5%	272.1	45	CH ₃ Br	1.2%	0.8%	6.99
10	HFC-134a	0.6%	0.5%	121.1	28	HCFC- 123		10.0%		46	CH ₂ Br ₂	1.3%	1.5%	1.04
11	HFC-143a	1.3%	2.0%	26.9	29	HCFC- 124	4.9%	3.0%	1.08	47	CHBr ₃	1.7%	2.0%	0.76
12	HFC-152a	1.9%	2.0%	12.6	30	HCFC- 132b	5.2%	5.0%	0.20	48	CH3I	3.8%	2.0%	0.12
13	HFC-227ea	2.8%	3.0%	6.3	31	HCFC- 133a	6.2%	4.0%	0.52	49	COS	0.5%	0.5%	595.8
14	HFC-236fa	9.0%	6.0%	0.27	32	HCFC- 141b	0.6%	0.8%	28.4	50	HCFO- 1233zdE	18%	10.0%	0.17
15	HFC-245fa	3.8%	3.0%	3.64	33	HCFC- 142b	0.7%	0.5%	25.5	51	HFO-1234yf		10.0%	0.51
16	HFC-365mfc	4.1%	3.0%	1.33	34	HFC-161		3.0%	~ 0.1	52	HFO-1234zeE	15%	15.0%	0.10
17	HFC-4310mee	13%	8.0%	0.31	35	HCFC-31		10.0%		53	РСЕ	0.6%	1.5%	6.49
18	CFC-11	0.4%	0.3%	226.9	36	H-1202		15.0%	~ 0.06	54	ТСЕ	7.7%	5.0%	0.75

Test at Shangdianzi for 14 months (2020.9-2021.11)



CFC-13







HFC-125

HFC-134a



Comparison between ODS5-Pro and Medusa



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Differences for 4 hours	10 percentage	median	90 percentage	
time interval	0.01%-5.01%	0.02%-6.49%	0.23%-11.7%	

	Precision		10 %			median		90 %			
Substance		ODS5-pro	Medusa GC-MS	Diff	ODS5-pro	Medusa GC-MS	Diff	ODS5-pro	Medusa GC-MS	Diff	
NF ₃	1.98%	2.58	2.63	-1.95%	2.90	3.09	-6.17%	5.54	6.01	-7.73%	
CF_4	0.39%	87.4	87.3	0.10%	89.1	88.7	0.53%	93.1	92.3	0.91%	
SF_6	0.61%	10.4	10.6	-1.35%	11.3	11.4	-0.92%	13.9	14.3	-2.57%	
PFC-318	1.72%	1.91	1.91	0.39%	2.04	2.02	0.88%	2.77	2.81	-1.68%	
CFC-11	0.41%	229.1	229.1	-0.02%	245.7	245.7	-0.02%	285.3	289.4	-1.44%	
CFC-12	0.41%	496.8	497.2	-0.08%	499.9	499.2	0.14%	503.3	501.4	0.38%	
CFC-13	4.74%	3.10	3.27	-5.01%	3.30	3.34	-1.09%	3.51	3.42	2.68%	
CFC-113	0.38%	68.4	67.9	0.68%	69.3	68.9	0.59%	71.1	70.4	1.00%	
CFC-114	0.68%	16.0	16.0	-0.13%	16.3	16.3	-0.12%	16.8	16.6	1.33%	
CFC-115	1.56%	8.60	8.71	-1.23%	8.79	8.82	-0.36%	9.13	9.19	-0.62%	
HCFC-22	0.71%	260.0	259.6	0.15%	312.1	314.3	-0.68%	469.5	471.1	-0.33%	
HCFC-141b	0.99%	26.2	26.2	-0.01%	31.5	32.0	-1.65%	47.9	48.9	-2.08%	
HCFC-142b	0.81%	23.2	23.0	0.59%	27.4	27.5	-0.26%	37.6	37.7	-0.46%	
HFC-23	0.51%	34.7	34.8	-0.34%	36.0	36.0	0.19%	42.7	43.4	-1.50%	
HFC-32	1.20%	31.1	31.8	-2.25%	42.8	45.8	-6.49%	71.8	81.3	-11.7%	
HFC-125	1.26%	37.9	37.9	0.02%	42.7	43.5	-1.68%	56.7	57.2	-0.88%	
HFC-134a	0.55%	124.0	125.0	-0.77%	136.8	140.2	-2.40%	168.5	173.1	-2.69%	
HFC-143a	1.13%	27.8	27.9	-0.12%	29.4	29.5	-0.47%	33.2	33.1	0.23%	
HFC-152a	1.63%	10.5	10.3	1.81%	12.4	12.3	0.86%	18.0	17.7	1.57%	
H-1211	2.04%	3.12	3.17	-1.31%	3.25	3.25	-0.09%	3.60	3.58	0.59%	
H-1301	3.59%	3.25	3.30	-1.37%	3.40	3.44	-1.28%	3.64	3.70	-1.73%	
H-2402	3.78%	0.37	0.39	-4.33%	0.40	0.39	0.51%	0.42	0.41	4.72%	
CH ₃ CCl ₃	3.31%	1.25	1.26	-0.81%	1.38	1.36	0.90%	1.51	1.45	4.05%	
CH ₃ Cl	0.51%	524.1	525.6	-0.29%	649.5	652.9	-0.52%	1059.9	1053.5	0.61%	
CH ₂ Cl ₂	0.77%	76.8	76.2	0.77%	228.8	227.2	0.71%	860.3	825.6	4.19%	
CHCl ₃	0.48%	13.7	13.9	-1.86%	31.6	32.8	-3.42%	98.7	95.0	3.98%	
CCl_4	0.67%	75.4	74.3	1.56%	78.7	77.2	1.95%	89.4	83.8	6.76%	
CH ₃ Br	1.35%	6.94	6.71	3.55%	8.18	8.32	-1.66%	12.6	12.4	0.98%	

Commercialization and Application



ODS5-Pro with automatic flask ODS5-Pro at Shenzhen Station analysis module

Commercialization and Application

8 units in operation now

- 1. Joint lab of Fudan University and Huanaco Inc: system development, flask analysis for daily sampling sites, calibration
- 2. State Key Laboratory for Environmental Pollution and Control @Peking University: system development and sample analysis
- 3. State Key Laboratory for Organic Geochemistry@ Chinese Academy of Sciences: flask analysis & urban in-situ measurement
- 4. Changdao Station, Shangdong Province (MEE background station) : In-situ measurement
- 5. Shenzhen Station, Guangdong Province (SUST): In-situ measurement
- 6. Central Lab at China Environmental Monitoring Center: flask analysis from MEE urban sites
- 7. Central Lab at National Environmental Analysis and Testing Center: flask analysis from MEE background stations
- 8. Shenzhen Environmental Monitoring Center: flask analysis

ODS and F-gas measurements in China in 2022

- In-situ by CMA
- In-situ by MEE
- In-situ by SUST
- Weekly sampling by CMA
- Daily sampling or campaign by universities
- ✓ There are five sampling sites by MEE
- some potential sites planned by provinicial government, not marked
- ✓ In-situ measurement at SDZ and weekly samples are conducted by Medusa-GC/MS
- ✓ Other measurements are conducted by ODS-pro



Emission Estimate (2020/10-2021/09)

Interspecies correlation method (a ratio method)

- The atmospheric enhancement ratios between halogenated gases and a tracer can quantify the ratios in their emission strengths when introducing their molecular weights
- The method requires the tracer to have a well quantified emission and the same emission source as halogenated gases
- The lifetimes of compounds should be much greater than their transport time and there is no chemical reactivity during the transportation
- Both CO and HCFC-22 were used as the tracer in this study for comparison
- The enhanced concentration data was observed by ODS5-pro at SDZ station during 2020/10-2021/09

$$E_X = E_{tracer} \times (\Delta X / \Delta tracer) \times (M_X / M_{tracer})$$

Average sensitivity of the observations at SDZ station to emissions of halogenated gases (2020/10-2021/09)

- Greatly affected by the emissions from the North China Plain, including provinces of Beijing, Tianjin, Hebei, Shanxi, Inner Mongolia, Liaoning, Shandong and Henan with high population densities.
- An additional uncertainty of \pm 10 % was added when calculating the emissions from the whole area of China.



The emissions of F-gases and HCFCs from the North China Plain and all China in 2020-2021 (kt yr⁻¹)

0.1.4	the North (China Plain	China			
Substances	Tracer HCFC-22	Tracer CO	Tracer HCFC-22	Tracer CO		
CF_4	1.09 (0.79 – 1.42)	0.99 (0.41 - 1.79)	3.19 (1.86 – 4.51)	2.98(1.17 - 5.32)		
NF ₃	0.70 (0.51 - 0.92)	0.64 (0.23 – 1.26)	2.06 (1.19 – 2.92)	1.92 (0.61 – 3.72)		
SF_6	1.34 (1.06–1.65)	1.05 (0.43 – 1.92)	3.94 (2.54 - 5.25)	3.16 (1.20 – 5.70)		
HCFC-22	57.8 (52.2 - 63.4)	46.5 (20.8 - 79.9)	169.8 (144.1-186.6)	140.2 (60.1 - 238.5)		
HCFC-141b	8.18 (6.95 - 9.50)	5.54 (2.32 - 9.94)	24.0 (16.8 - 30.4)	16.7 (6.60 – 29.6)		
HCFC-142b	4.05 (3.40 - 4.75)	2.37 (0.94 - 4.40)	11.9 (8.20 – 15.2)	7.15 (2.63 – 13.1)		
HFC-23	2.33 (1.63–3.14)	1.88 (0.72 – 3.55)	6.85 (3.81 – 9.93)	5.67 (2.00 - 10.5)		
HFC-32	5.80 (4.81 - 6.89)	4.63 (2.06 - 8.01)	17.1 (11.6 – 22.0)	14.0 (5.95 - 23.9)		
HFC-125	5.99 (4.92 - 7.16)	4.52 (1.93 - 8.02)	17.6 (11.8 – 22.9)	13.7 (5.53 – 23.9)		
HFC-134a	12.5 (10.0 - 15.2)	7.10 (2.34 – 14.4)	36.6 (24.0 - 48.4)	21.4 (6.19 - 42.7)		
HFC-143a	0.99 (0.77 – 1.24)	0.70 (0.29 – 1.27)	2.91 (1.84 - 3.94)	2.11 (0.82 - 3.78)		
HFC-152a	1.48 (1.09 – 1.91)	1.08 (0.40 - 2.06)	4.34 (2.58 - 6.08)	3.25 (1.11 – 6.10)		

Emissions of perfluorinated gases (2020-2021)

- NF₃ emissions from China reached 2.06 (1.19 2.92) kt yr⁻¹, more than twice the emissions from China six years ago ,having exceeded the global emission of 1.9 kt yr⁻¹ in 2016.
- SF₆ emissions from China continuously grew and reached 3.94 (2.54 5.25) kt yr⁻¹, consistent with the growth rate estimated by the inverse modeling.



Emissions of HFCs (2020-2021)

- Emissions of HFC-32 and HFC-125 were close to 1:1, consistent with the growth rates of the inverse modeling results
- An expected increase was found for HFC-134a
- HFC-143a and HFC-152a had fluctuated emissions over the years
- HFC-23 still has emissions of (3.81 - 9.93) kt yr⁻¹ in China.





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