# New radiative forcing experiment in AeroCom Phase II

With some radiative forcing results from Oslo CTM2

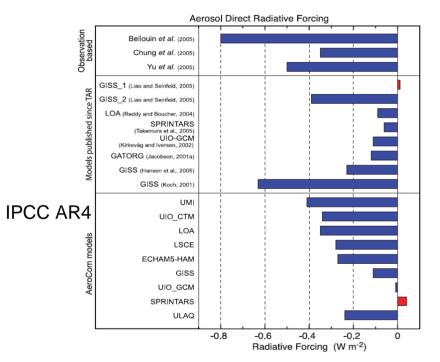
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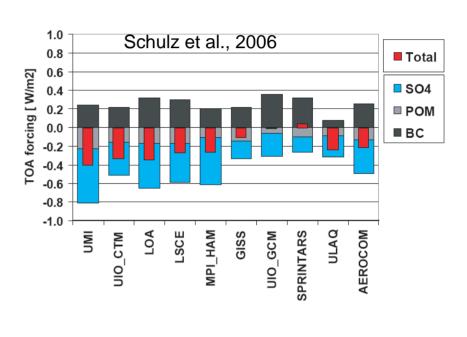




#### Phase II radiative forcing experiment

 The AeroCom Phase I radiative forcing experiment was important for the IPCC AR4 estimate of the radiative forcing of the direct aerosol effect





- The global aerosol models have developed with respect to spatial resolution, aerosol microphysics, and aerosol components
- More aerosol observations to validate the global aerosol models with

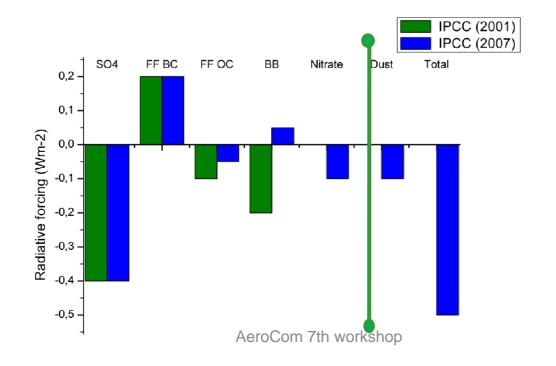
### Phase II radiative forcing experiment

- Start in January 2009 with deadline for results about one year from now
- A paper ready for the IPCC AR5 process
- Two set of radiative transfer calculations must be performed, one for present and one for preindustrial condition
- Emission data to be decided before January, but hopefully IPCC data for 2008
- Meteorological data for year 2008, to be decided before January



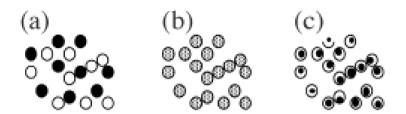
#### Phase II radiative forcing experiment

- RF results will be calculated for the following aerosol components:
  - RF from Sulphate, FF BC, FF OC, SOA, Biomass burning aerosols, Nitrate, Dust?
  - Total direct aerosol effect RF





# Internal and external mixing of BC



- a) External mixture
- b) Internal mixture, homogeneous
- c) Internal mixture, coated sphere

Cheng et al., 2006; Hara et al., 2003; Mallet et al., 2004; Wentzel et al., 2003 and others show that BC particles are in a combination of internal and external mixture

Bond et al. (2006) suggest that hydrophilic BC absorption is enhanced by 50% compared to external mixture

RF of direct aerosol effect of BC in the Oslo CTM2 (Myhre et al., ACPD, 2008)

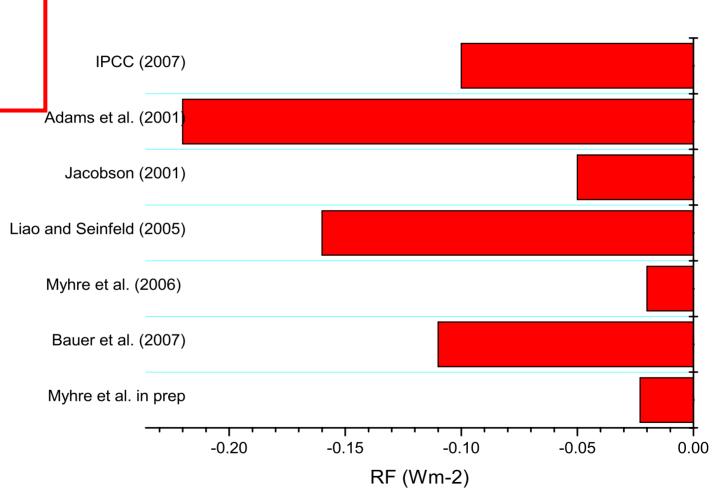
External mixture 0.26 W m<sup>-2</sup> (case a)

Coated sphere 0.33 W m<sup>-2</sup> (case a and c)

Scattering aerosols enhance the RF of BC

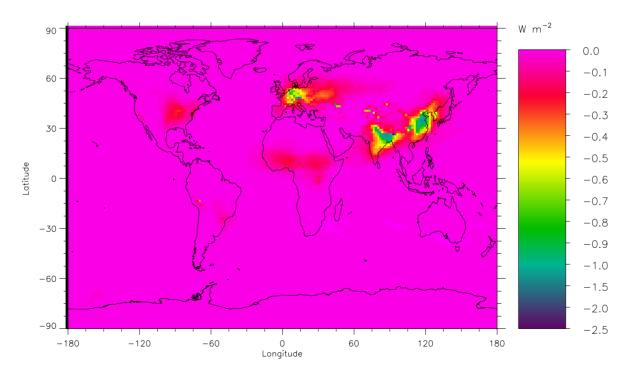
## RF estimates for nitrate

Larger range than for most other aerosol components



# The nitrate amount is dependent on other aerosol species and aerosol precursors

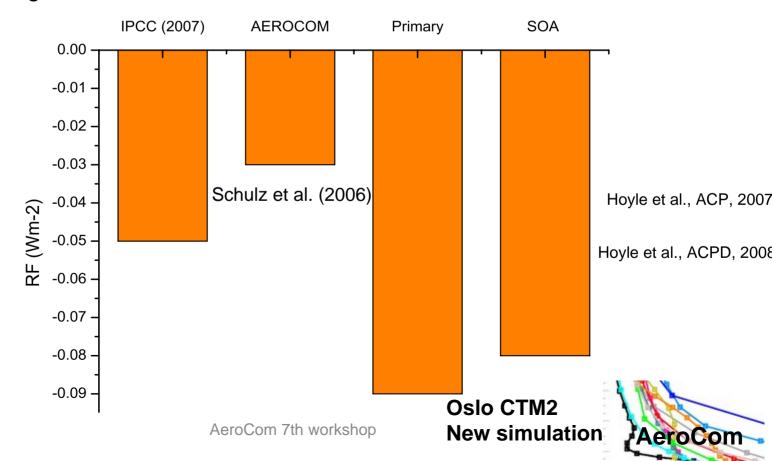
- ■NH<sub>3</sub> and NO<sub>x</sub>
- Sulphate, since the excess of NH<sub>3</sub> can react to NH<sub>4</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>
- Large particles as sea salt and mineral dust



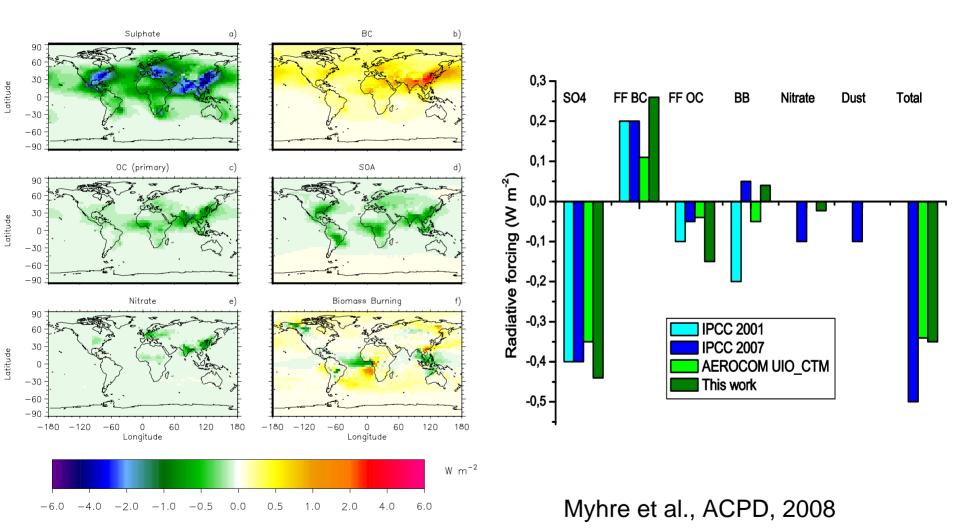


#### RF OC Fossil fuel and SOA

- ✓ Secondary organic aerosols (SOA) were simplified treated in Schulz et al. (2006) and only included as a natural component
- ✓ SOA is also important for the biomass burning aerosols.
- ✓ Monthly SOA production fields may be available from the Oslo CTM2 model soon.
- ✓ For primary organics look at the OM/OC ratio



# RF estimates from Oslo CTM2





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