

# Continuous Dichotomous Aerosol Chemical Speciation Analyzer

## ACSA-14

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**It is the evolutionary continuous dichotomous analyzer that can measure the chemical species in the atmospheric aerosol (PM<sub>2.5</sub> and PM<sub>10-2.5</sub>) while measuring the mass concentration every one hour, automatically.**

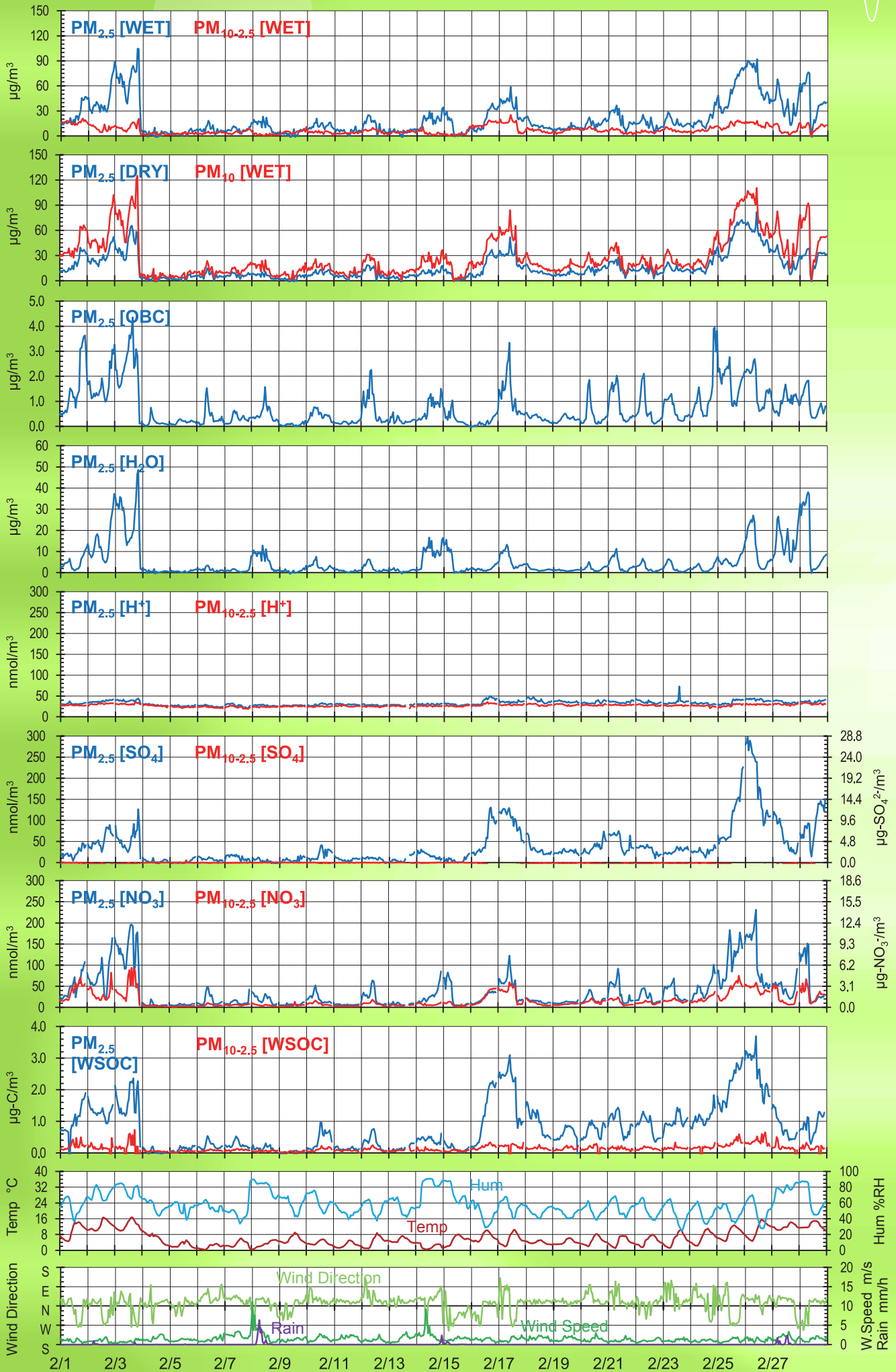
- ACSA enables to minimize artifact during sampling and matrix effects (interference) during analyzing by the short period (every 1 hour) sampling with using a PTFE tape filter and a virtual impactor. It is non-conventional approach to measure "the acidity of atmospheric aerosol", which has been difficult to measure precisely using 24-hour sampling method because of gas adsorption or particulate volatility.

- To measure mass concentrations simultaneously enables to compare with environmental standards and to estimate the contribution of chemical species or amount of water in PM<sub>2.5</sub>.

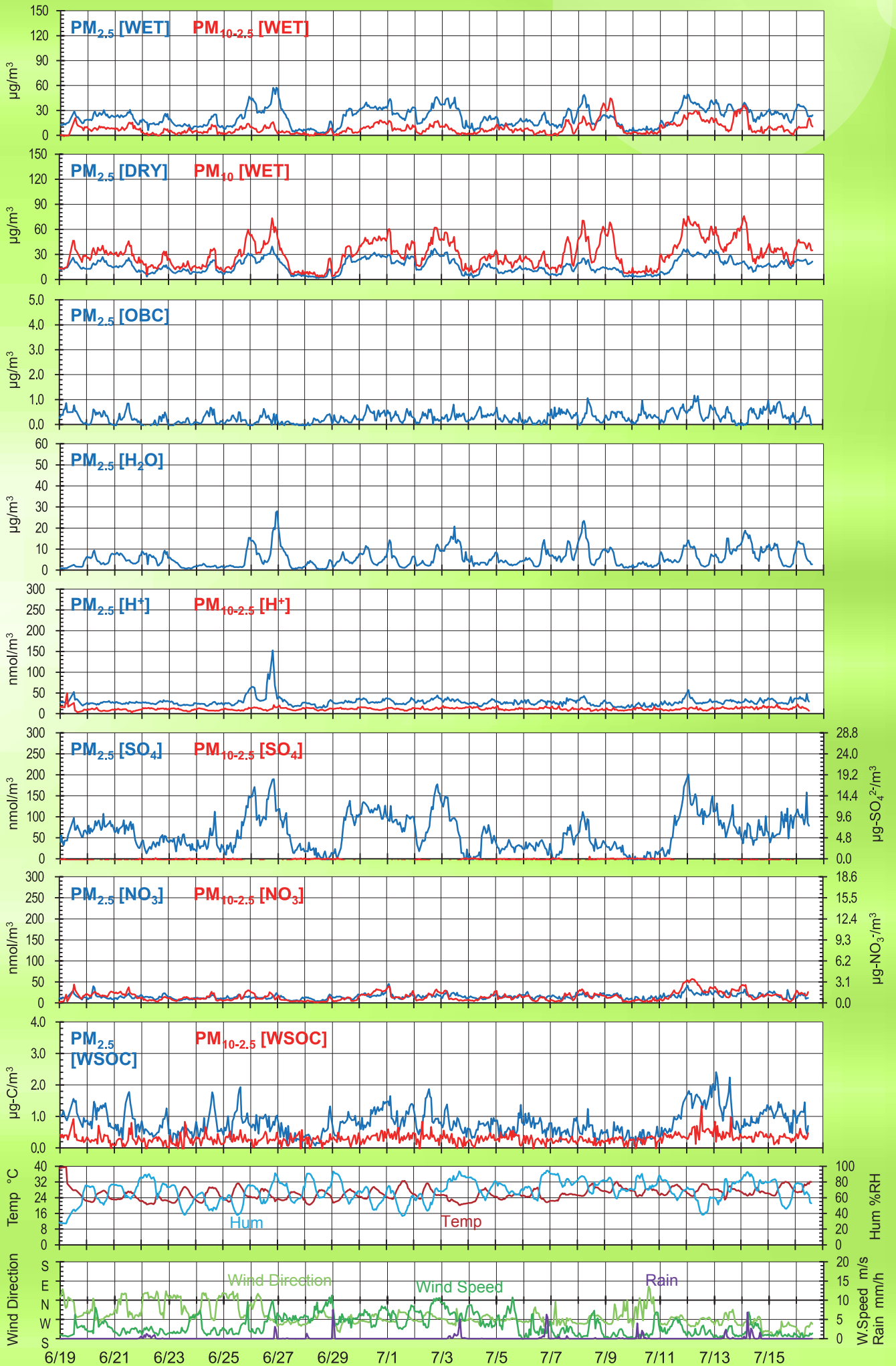
- The highest sensitivity can be obtained by concentrating the aerosol in 1 m<sup>3</sup> air to 1 mL solution with PTFE tape filter and automatic extraction system, in comparison with the aerosol-mass-spectrometer (AMS) and the continuous sulfate/ nitrate analyzer.



# Observation data by ACSA (February, 2014, Osaka Japan)

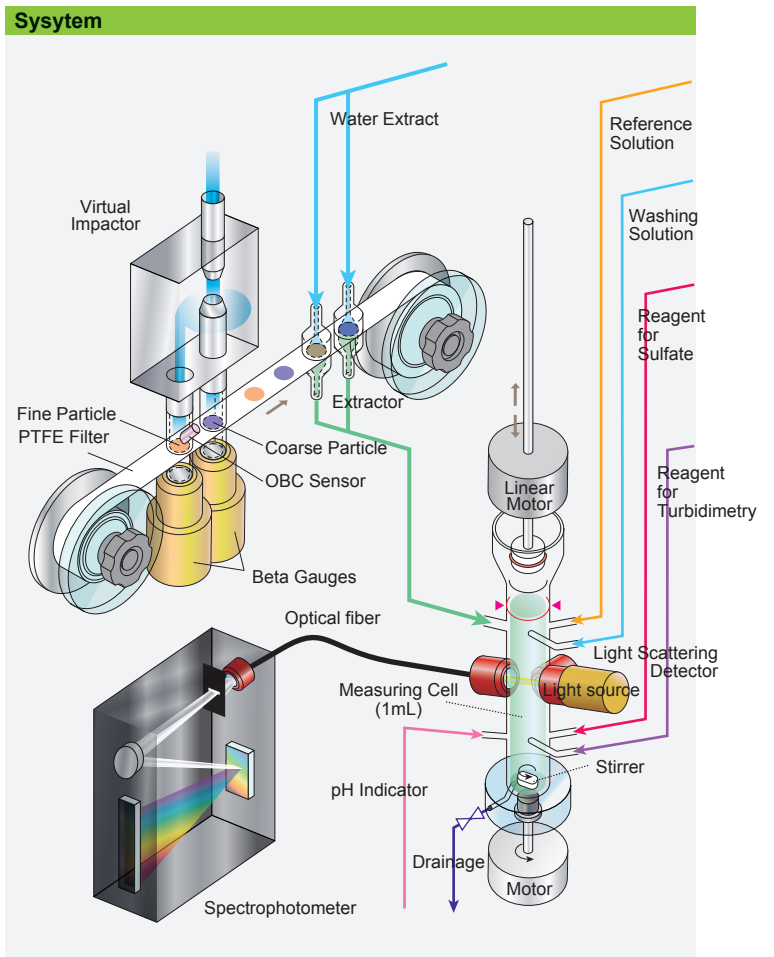


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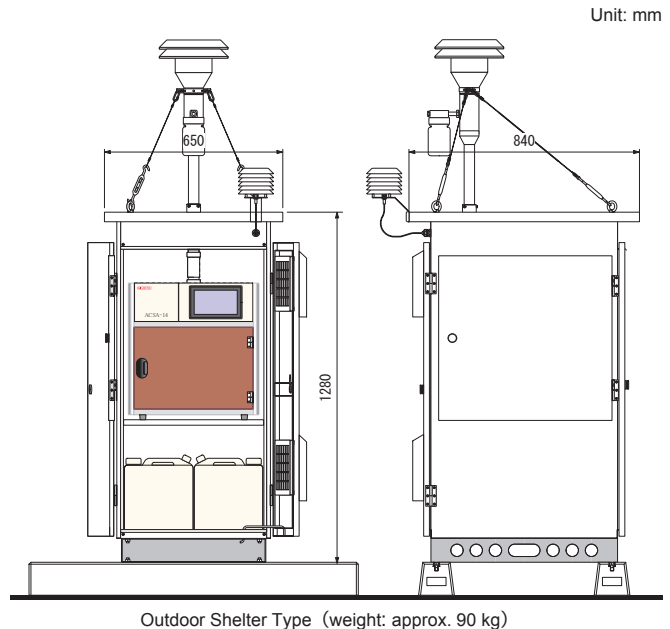


Specifications	
Measuring objects	PM <sub>2.5</sub> and PM <sub>10-2.5</sub>
Measuring items	for PM <sub>2.5</sub> [WET], PM <sub>2.5</sub> [DRY], PM <sub>10-2.5</sub> [WET], PM <sub>10</sub> [WET] Mass concentration  for PM <sub>2.5</sub> [WET], PM <sub>10-2.5</sub> [WET] Acidity (hydrogen ion concentration) Sulfate ion concentration Nitrate ion concentration WSOC (Water Soluble Organic Compounds)  for PM <sub>2.5</sub> [WET] OBC (Optically measured Black Carbon)
Measuring principle	
PM concentration	Beta-ray attenuation method
Acidity	Absorptiometry by pH indicator
Sulfate ion	Turbidimetry
Nitrate ion	UV spectrophotometric method
WSOC	UV spectrophotometric method
OBC	NIR light scattering method
Measurement Range *	* at one hour sampling (depending on sampling period)
PM concentration	0 - 1 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Acidity	[H <sup>+</sup> ] 10 - 1000 nmol/m <sup>3</sup>
Sulfate ion	0 - 300 nmol/m <sup>3</sup>
Nitrate ion	0 - 200 nmol/m <sup>3</sup>
WSOC	0 - 5 µg-C/m <sup>3</sup> (as maleic acid)
OBC	0 - 5 µg-C/m <sup>3</sup>
Sample flow rate	16.7 L/min (15.4 L/min + 1.3 L/min)
Flow control	Volumetric flow
Filter media	PTFE tape roll
Measuring period	Configurable per one hour
Beta sources	<sup>14</sup> C, less than 10 MBq
PM size classifier	USEPA PM <sub>10</sub> inlet and PM <sub>2.5</sub> virtual impactor
LCD display	Measured data, Control information, Message, Alerts
Internal data storage	Measured data, Control information, Message, Alerts
Digital input/ output	Ethernet, USB1.1, RS232C
Power supply	AC100V 50/60Hz approx. 400VA
Withstand voltage test	AC1000V 50/60Hz for one minute
Insulation resistance	More than 5 megohm
Weather data	Temperature, Relative humidity, Pressure Optional: Wind direction, Wind speed, Rain amount, Solar radiation

\*For further information, please contact us. ACSA-14 is available for rent.



## Dimensions



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