Field Evaluation MagnaSCI SRL uRADMonitor SMOGGIE-PM v1.101





Background

- From 04/17/2020 to 06/27/2020¹, three MagnaSCI SRL uRADMonitor SMOGGIE-PM v1.101 (hereinafter uRADMonitor SMOGGIE) units were deployed at the South Coast AQMD stationary ambient monitoring site in Rubidoux and were run side-by-side with Federal Equivalent Method (FEM) instruments measuring the same pollutants
- <u>uRADMonitor SMOGGIE (3 units tested)</u>:
 - PM Sensor Optical Particle Counter (Plantower PMSA003, non-FEM)
 - Each unit measures: PM_{1.0}, PM_{2.5} and PM₁₀ (µg/m³), T (°C), RH (%)
 - ➤ Unit cost: \$110
 - Time resolution: 1-min
 - Units IDs: 0032, 0033, 0034

¹Note: sensor data were not available between 6/4/2020 and 6/11/2020 due to preventive maintenance activities at the monitoring site

- South Coast AQMD Reference Instruments:
 - > GRIMM (FEM $PM_{2.5}$); cost: \$25,000 and up
 - ➤ Time resolution: 1-min
 - Teledyne API T640 (FEM PM_{2.5}); cost: \$21,000
 - Time resolution: 1-min
 - Met station (T, RH, P, WS, WD); cost: ~\$5,000
 - Time resolution: 1-min



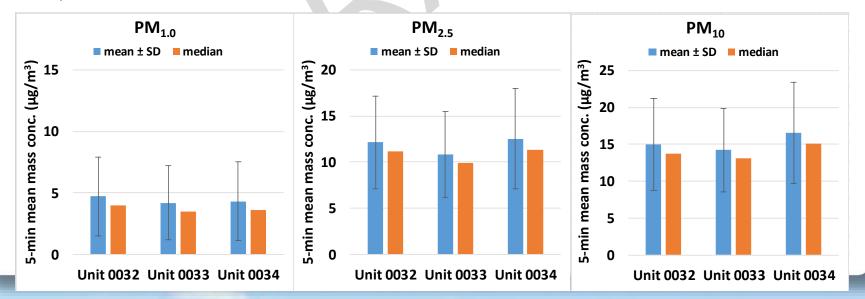


Data Validation & Recovery

- Basic QA/QC procedures were used to validate the collected data (i.e. obvious outliers, negative values, and invalid data-points were eliminated from the data-set)
- Data recovery from Unit 0032, Unit 0033, and Unit 0034 was ~ 78%, 98%, and 96%, respectively for PM_{1.0}, PM_{2.5}, and PM₁₀ measurements

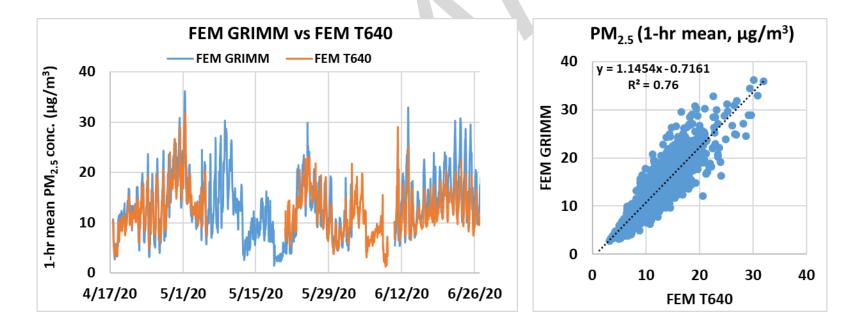
uRADMonitor SMOGGIE; Intra-model Variability

- Absolute intra-model variability was ~ 0.23, 0.73, and 0.99 μg/m³ for the PM_{1.0}, PM_{2.5}, and PM₁₀ measurements, respectively (calculated as the standard deviation of the three sensor means)
- Relative intra-model variability was ~ 5.2, 6.2, and 6.5% for the PM_{1.0}, PM_{2.5}, and PM₁₀ measurements, respectively (calculated as the absolute intra-model variability relative to the mean of the three sensor means)



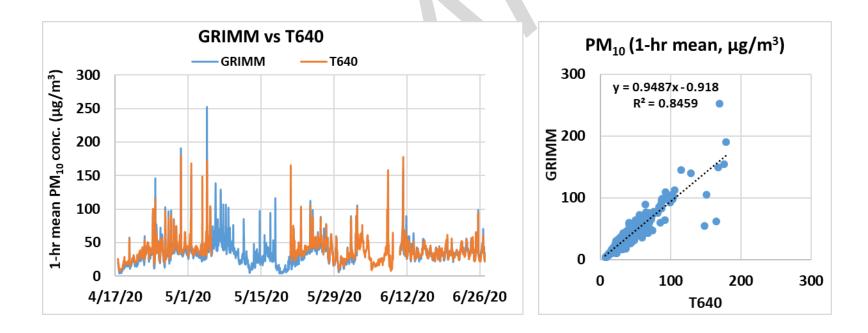
Reference Instruments: PM_{2.5} FEM GRIMM & FEM T640

- Basic QA/QC procedures were used to validate the collected data (i.e. obvious outliers, negative values, and invalid data-points were eliminated from the data-set)
- Data recovery for PM_{2.5} from FEM GRIMM and FEM T640 is ~88% and 77%, respectively
- Strong correlations between FEM GRIMM and FEM T640 for PM_{2.5} measurements (R² ~ 0.76)

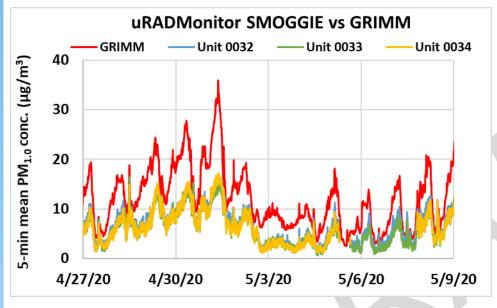


Reference Instruments: PM₁₀ GRIMM & T640

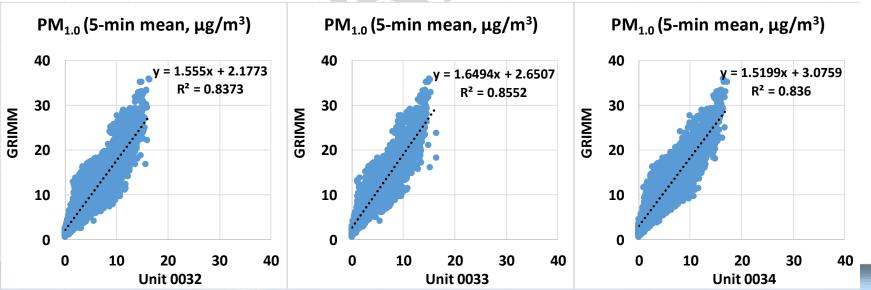
- Basic QA/QC procedures were used to validate the collected data (i.e. obvious outliers, negative values and invalid data-points were eliminated from the data-set)
- Data recovery for PM_{10} from GRIMM and T640 is ~88% and 77%, respectively
- Strong correlations between GRIMM and T640 for PM_{10} measurements ($R^2 \sim 0.85$)



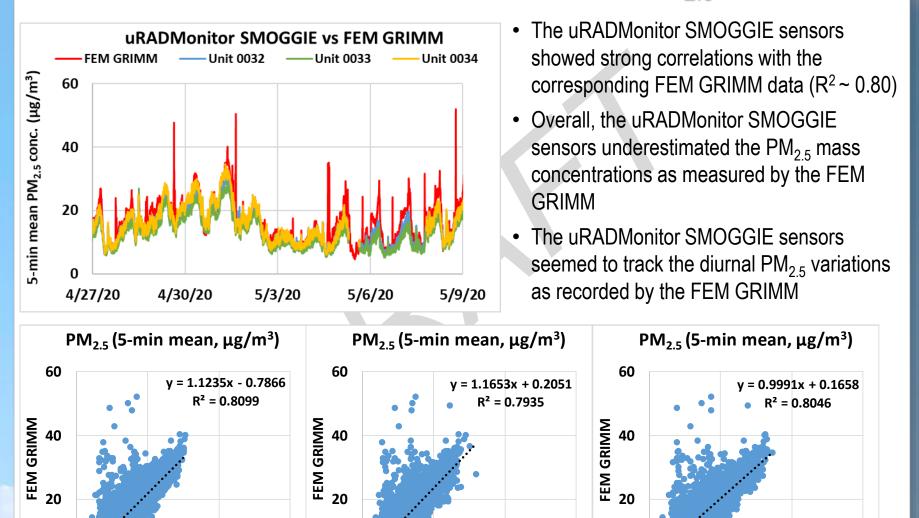
uRADMonitor SMOGGIE vs GRIMM (PM_{1.0}; 5-min mean)



- The uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors showed strong correlations with the corresponding GRIMM data (R² ~ 0.84)
- Overall, the uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors underestimated the PM_{1.0} mass concentrations as measured by the GRIMM
- The uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors seemed to track the diurnal PM_{1.0} variations as recorded by the GRIMM



uRADMonitor SMOGGIE vs FEM GRIMM (PM_{2.5}; 5-min mean)

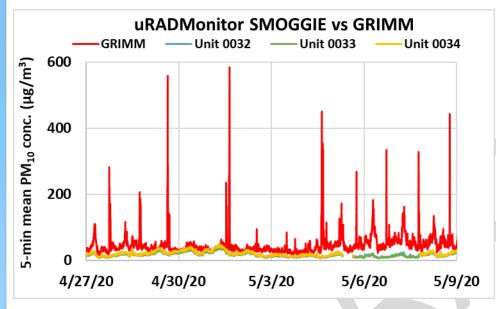


Unit 0033

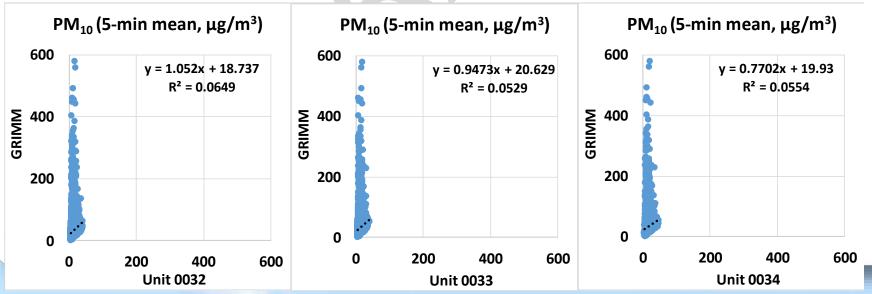
Unit 0032

Unit 0034

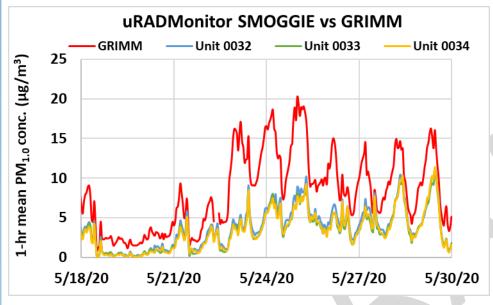
uRADMonitor SMOGGIE vs GRIMM (PM₁₀; 5-min mean)



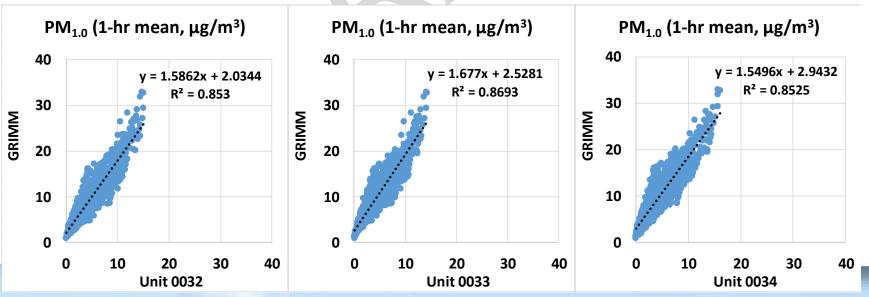
- The uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors did not correlate with the corresponding GRIMM data (R² ~ 0.06)
- Overall, the uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors underestimated the PM₁₀ mass concentrations as measured by the GRIMM
- The uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors did not seem to track the diurnal PM₁₀ variations as recorded by the GRIMM



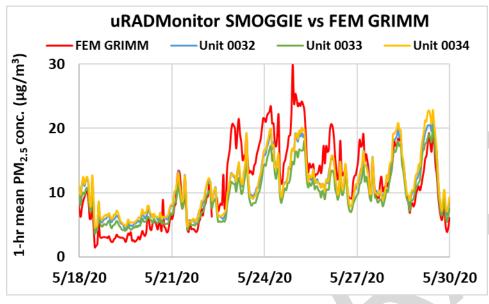
uRADMonitor SMOGGIE vs GRIMM (PM_{1.0}; 1-hr mean)



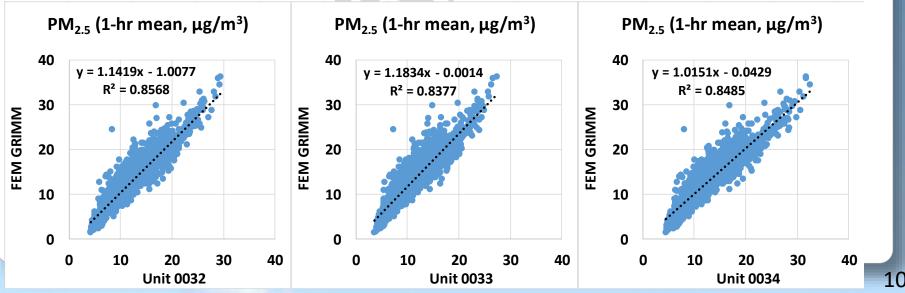
- The uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors showed strong correlations with the corresponding GRIMM data (R² ~ 0.86)
- Overall, the uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors underestimated the PM_{1.0} mass concentrations as measured by the GRIMM
- The uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors seemed to track the diurnal PM_{1.0} variations as recorded by the GRIMM



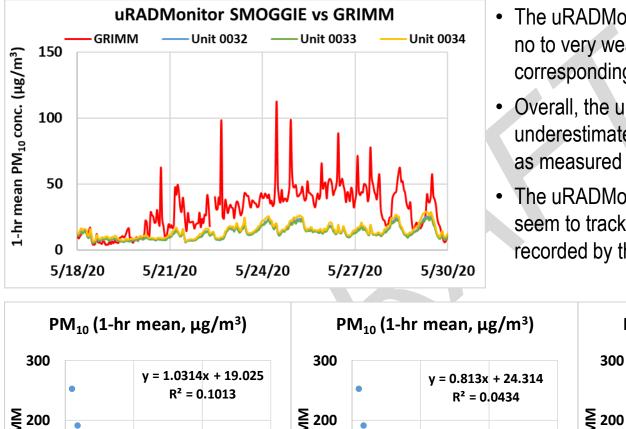
uRADMonitor SMOGGIE vs FEM GRIMM (PM_{2.5}; 1-hr mean)



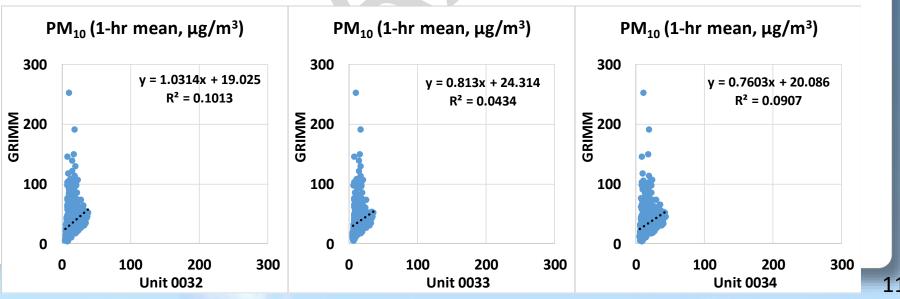
- The uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors showed strong correlations with the corresponding FEM GRIMM data (R² ~ 0.85)
- Overall, the uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors underestimated the PM_{2.5} mass concentrations as measured by the FEM GRIMM
- The uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors seemed to track the diurnal PM_{2.5} variations as recorded by the FEM GRIMM



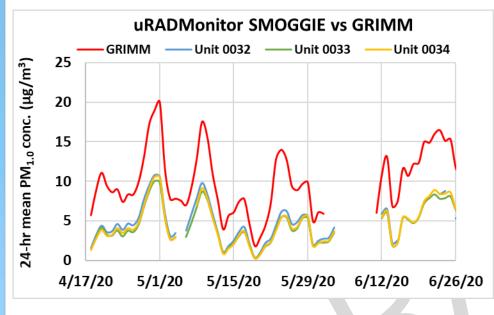
uRADMonitor SMOGGIE vs GRIMM (PM₁₀; 1-hr mean)



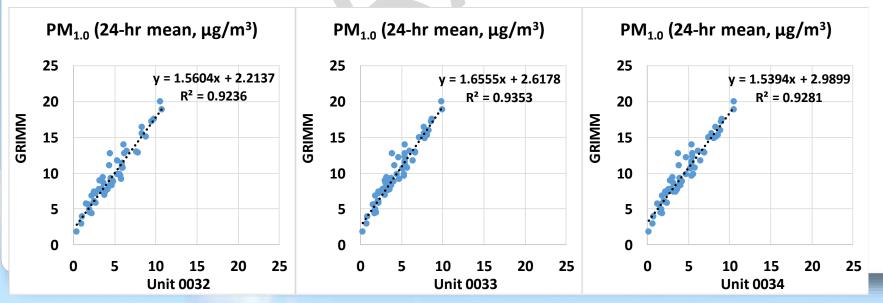
- The uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors showed no to very weak correlations with the corresponding GRIMM data (0.04 < R² < 0.11)
- Overall, the uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors underestimated the PM₁₀ mass concentration as measured by the GRIMM
- The uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors did not seem to track the diurnal PM₁₀ variations as recorded by the GRIMM



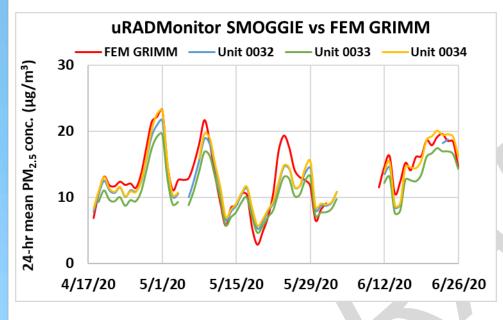
uRADMonitor SMOGGIE vs GRIMM (PM_{1.0}; 24-hr mean)



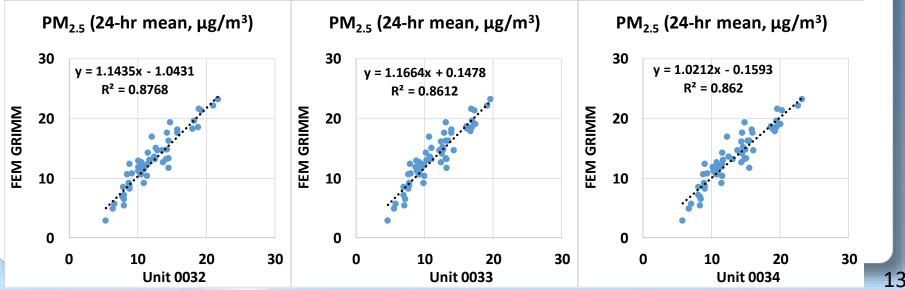
- The uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors showed very strong correlations with the corresponding GRIMM data (R² ~ 0.93)
- Overall, the uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors underestimated the PM_{1.0} mass concentrations as measured by the GRIMM
- The uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors seemed to track the diurnal PM_{1.0} variations as recorded by the GRIMM



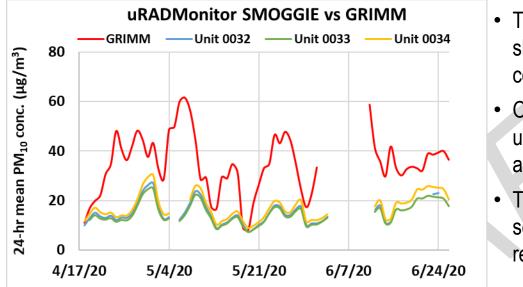
uRADMonitor SMOGGIE vs FEM GRIMM (PM_{2.5}; 24-hr mean)



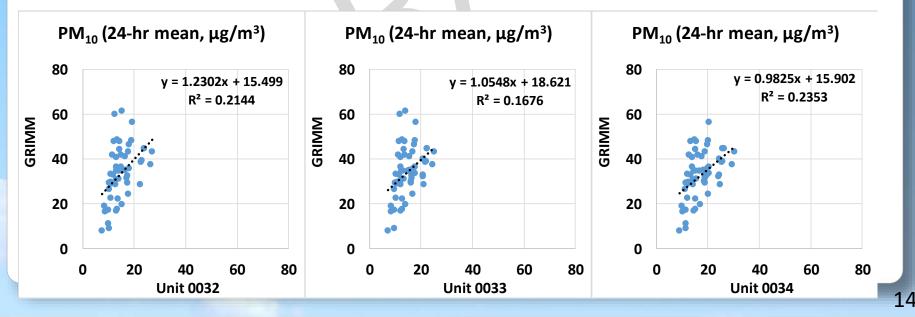
- The uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors showed strong correlations with the corresponding FEM GRIMM data (R² ~ 0.87)
- Overall, the uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors underestimated the PM_{2.5} mass concentrations as measured by the FEM GRIMM
- The uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors seemed to track the diurnal PM_{2.5} variations as recorded by the FEM GRIMM



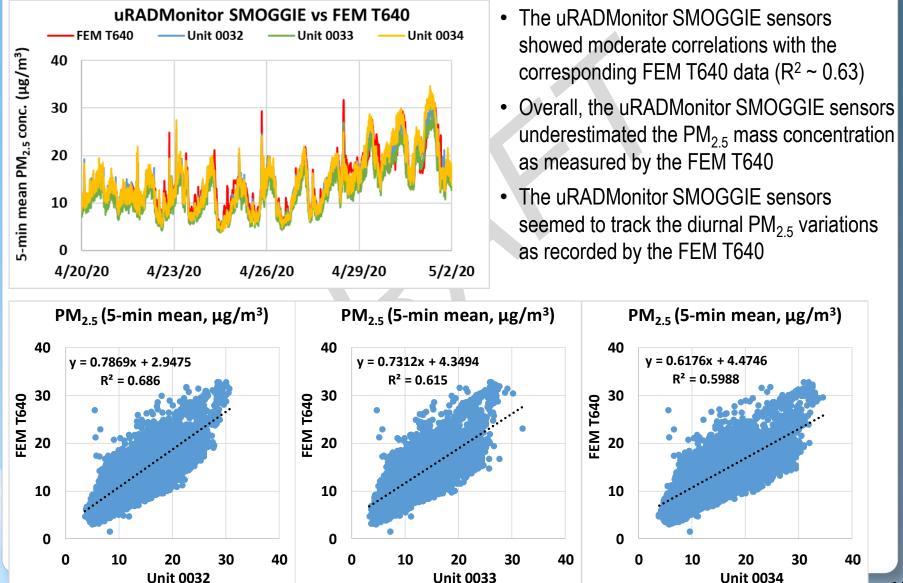
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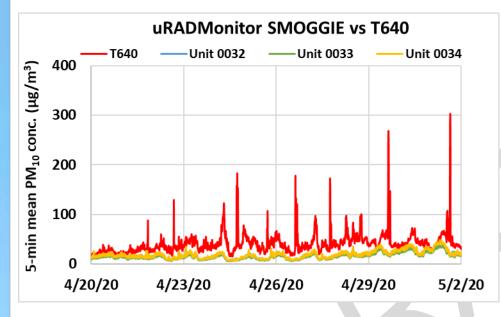
- The uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors showed very weak correlations with the corresponding GRIMM data (R² ~ 0.21)
- Overall, the uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors underestimated the PM₁₀ mass concentration as measured by the GRIMM
- The uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors did not seem to track the diurnal PM₁₀ variations as recorded by the GRIMM



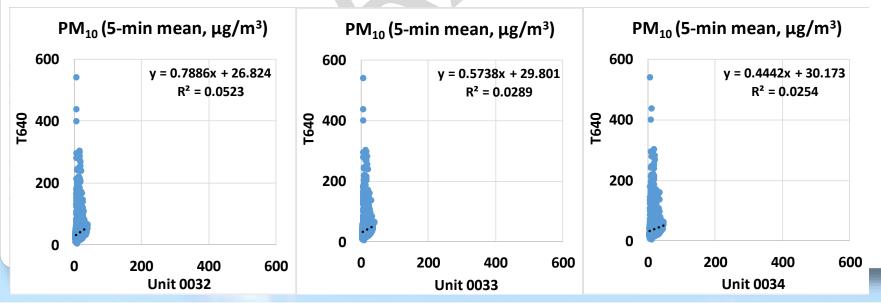
uRADMonitor SMOGGIE vs FEM T640 (PM_{2.5}; 5-min mean)



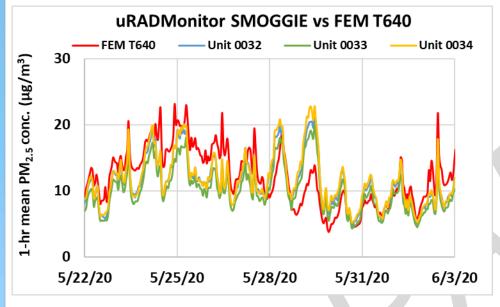
uRADMonitor SMOGGIE vs T640 (PM₁₀; 5-min mean)



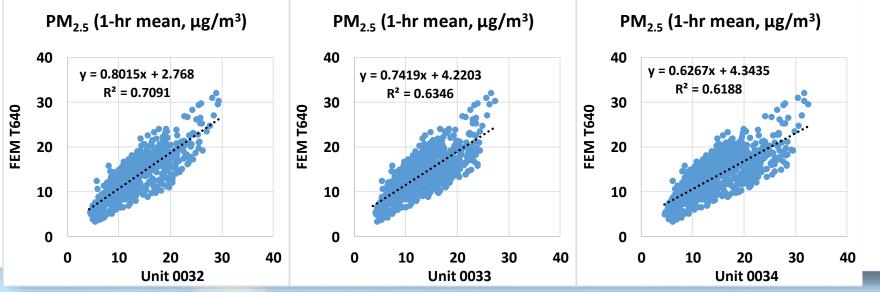
- The uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors did not correlate with the corresponding T640 data (R² ~ 0.04)
- Overall, the uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors underestimated the PM₁₀ mass concentration as measured by the T640
- The uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors did not seem to track the diurnal PM₁₀ variations as recorded by the T640



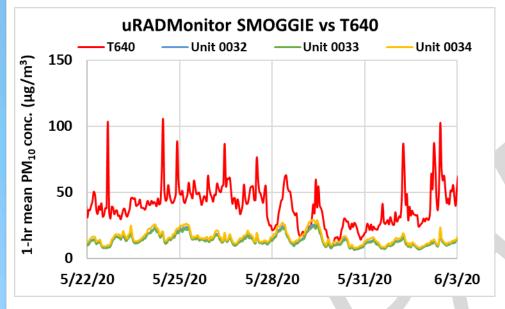
uRADMonitor SMOGGIE vs FEM T640 (PM_{2.5}; 1-hr mean)



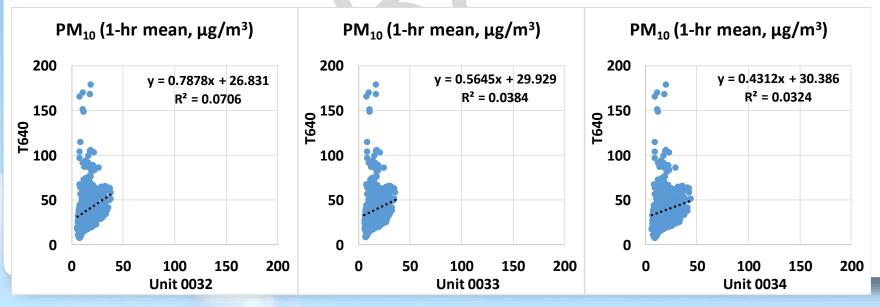
- The uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors showed moderate to strong correlations with the corresponding FEM T640 data (0.61 < R² < 0.71)
- Overall, the uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors underestimated the PM_{2.5} mass concentration as measured by the FEM T640
- The uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors seemed to track the diurnal PM_{2.5} variations as recorded by the FEM T640



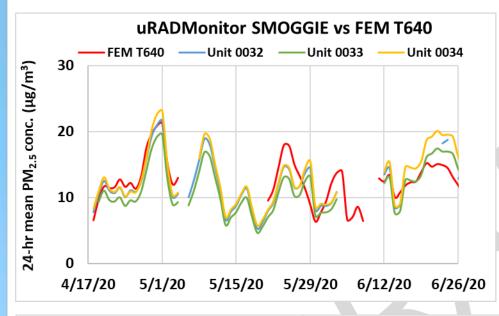
uRADMonitor SMOGGIE vs T640 (PM₁₀; 1-hr mean)



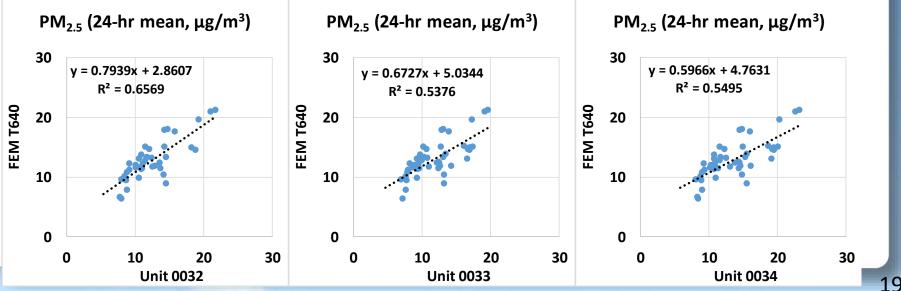
- The uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors did not correlate with the corresponding T640 data (R² ~ 0.05)
- Overall, the uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors underestimated the PM₁₀ mass concentrations as measured by the T640
- The uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors did not seem to track the diurnal PM₁₀ variations as recorded by the T640



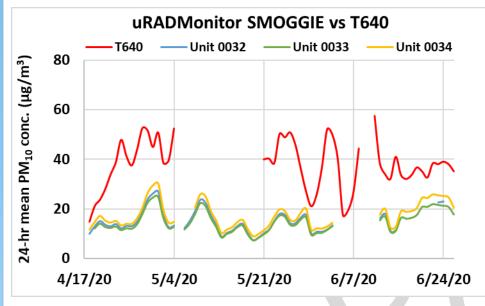
uRADMonitor SMOGGIE vs FEM T640 (PM_{2.5}; 24-hr mean)



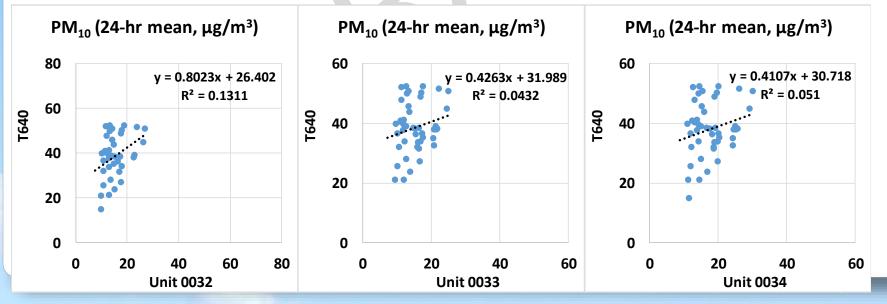
- The uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors showed moderate correlations with the corresponding FEM T640 data (R² ~ 0.58)
- Overall, the uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors underestimated the PM_{2.5} mass concentration as measured by the FEM T640
- The uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors seemed to track the diurnal PM_{2.5} variations as recorded by the FEM T640



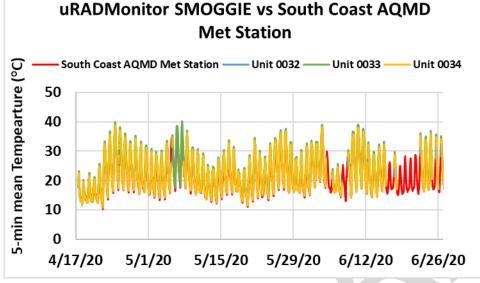
uRADMonitor SMOGGIE vs T640 (PM₁₀; 24-hr mean)



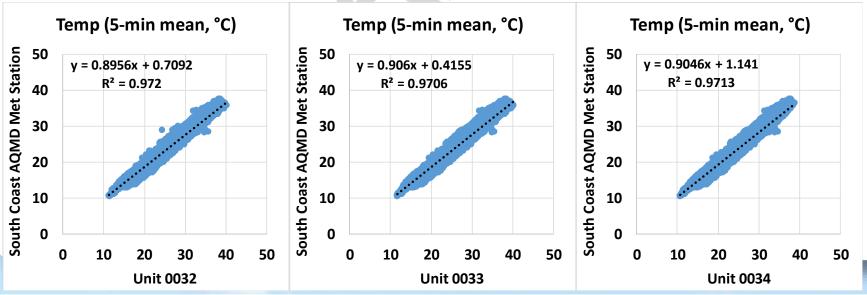
- The uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors showed no to very weak correlations with the corresponding T640 data (0.04 < R² < 0.14)
- Overall, the uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors underestimated the PM₁₀ mass concentrations as measured by the T640
- The uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors did not seem to track the diurnal PM₁₀ variations as recorded by the T640



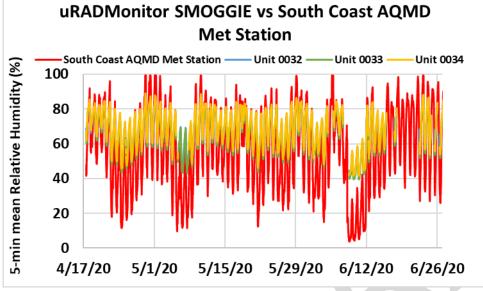
uRADMonitor SMOGGIE vs South Coast AQMD Met Station (Temp; 5-min mean)



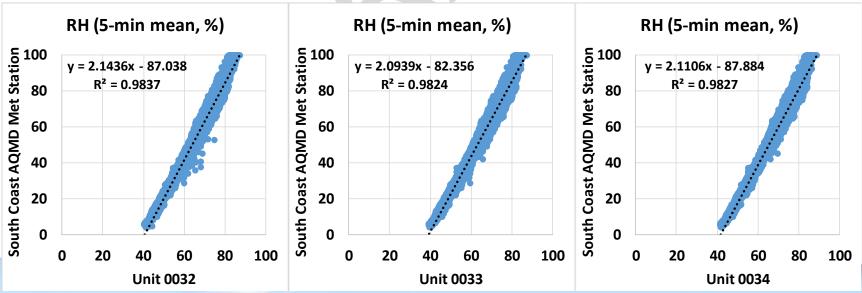
- uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors showed very strong correlations with the corresponding South Coast AQMD Met Station data (R² ~ 0.97)
- Overall, the uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors overestimated the temperature measurement as recorded by South Coast AQMD Met Station
- The uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors seemed to track the diurnal temperature variations as recorded by South Coast AQMD Met Station



uRADMonitor SMOGGIE vs South Coast AQMD Met Station (RH; 5-min mean)



- uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors showed very strong correlations with the corresponding South Coast AQMD Met Station data (R² ~ 0.98)
- Overall, the uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors overestimated the RH measurement as recorded by South Coast AQMD Met Station
- The uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors seemed to track the diurnal RH variations as recorded by South Coast AQMD Met Station



Discussion

- The three uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors' data recovery from Unit 0032, Unit 0033 and Unit 0034 was ~ 78%, 98%, and 96%, respectively for PM_{1.0}, PM_{2.5}, and PM₁₀ measurements.
- Absolute intra-model variability was ~ 0.23, 0.73, and 0.99 μg/m³ for the PM_{1.0}, PM_{2.5}, and PM₁₀ measurements, respectively.
- The reference instruments (GRIMM and T640) showed strong correlations with each other for PM_{2.5} mass concentration measurements (R² ~ 0.76, 1-hr mean) and PM₁₀ mass concentration measurements (R² ~ 0.85, 1-hr mean).
- PM_{1.0} mass concentrations measured by uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors showed strong correlations with the corresponding GRIMM data (R² ~ 0.86, 1-hr mean). The sensors underestimated PM_{1.0} mass concentrations as measured by GRIMM.
- PM_{2.5} mass concentrations measured by uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors showed strong correlations with the corresponding FEM GRIMM data (R² ~ 0.85; 1-hr mean) and moderate to strong correlations with the corresponding FEM T640 data (0.61 < R² < 0.71; 1-hr mean). The sensors underestimated PM_{2.5} mass concentrations as measured by FEM GRIMM and FEM T640.
- PM₁₀ mass concentrations measured by uRADMonitor SMOGGIE sensors showed no to very weak correlations with the corresponding GRIMM data (0.04 < R² ~ 0.11; 1-hr mean) and did not correlate with the corresponding T640 data (R² ~ 0.05; 1-hr mean). The sensors underestimated PM₁₀ mass concentrations measured by GRIMM and T640.
- No sensor calibration was performed by AQ-SPEC prior to the beginning of this field testing.
- Laboratory chamber testing is necessary to fully evaluate the performance of these sensors under controlled T and RH conditions, and known target and interferent pollutants concentrations.

<u>These results are still preliminary</u>