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# Effects of heterogeneous reaction with $\text{NO}_2$ on ice nucleation activities of mineral dust

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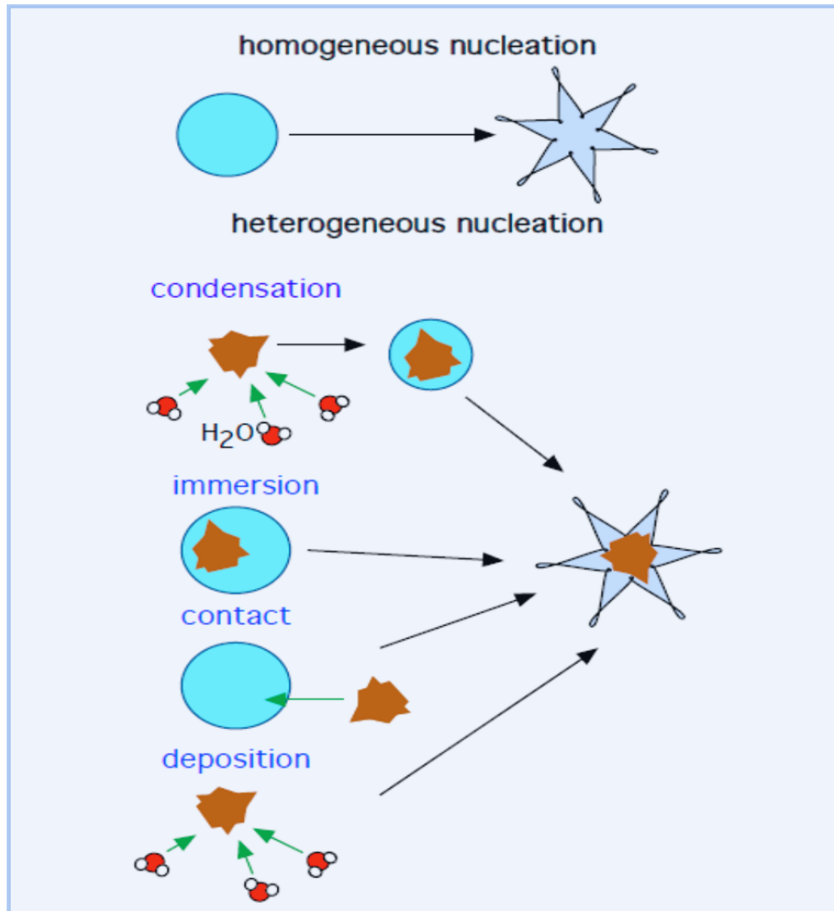
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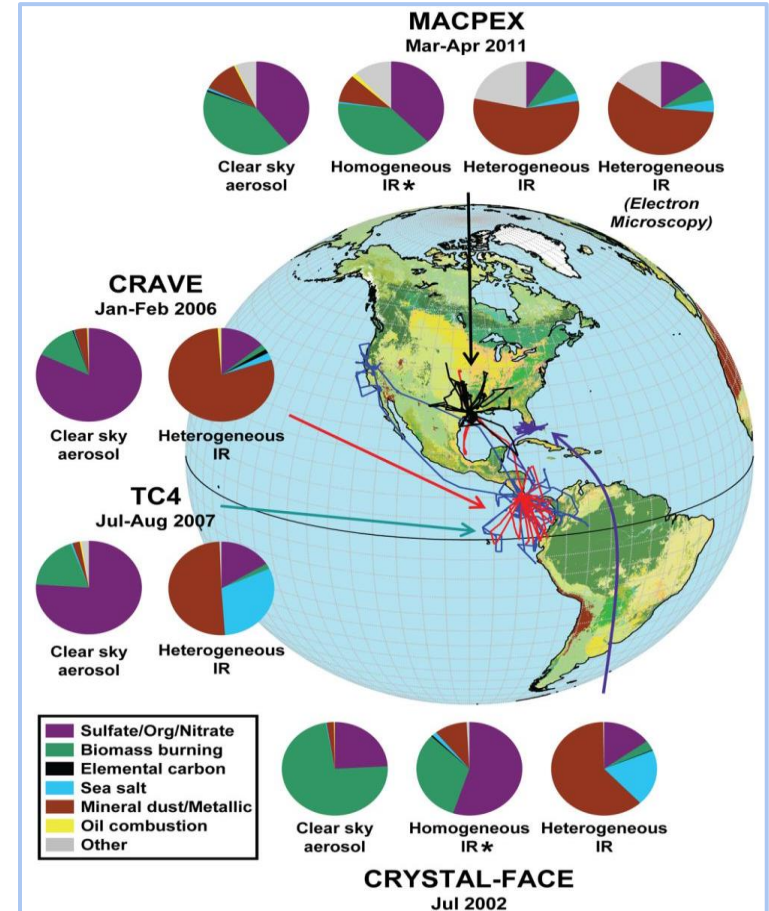
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# Mineral dust: an important INP

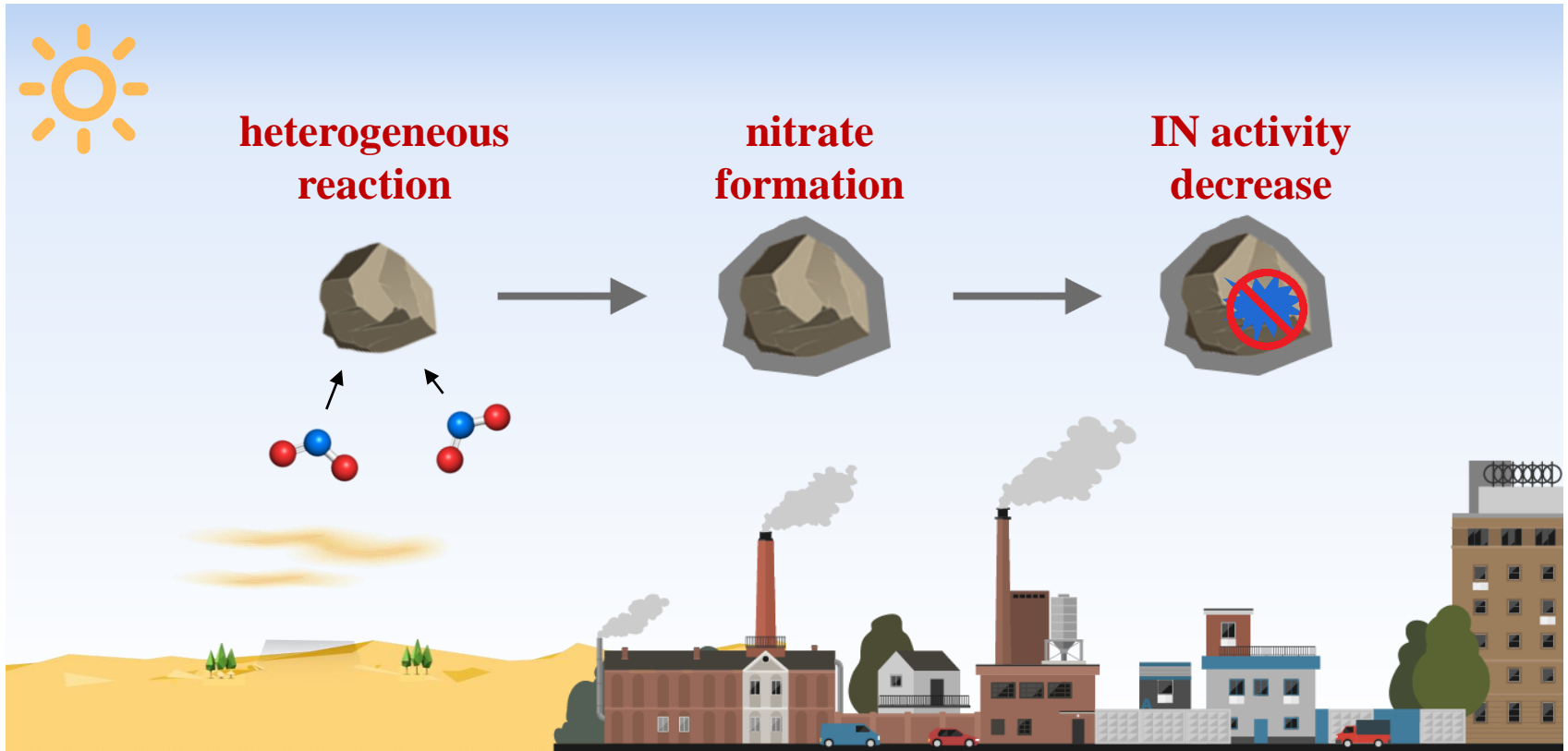


- **Ice nucleating particles (INPs):**  
aerosol particles that can initiate the formation of ice in clouds



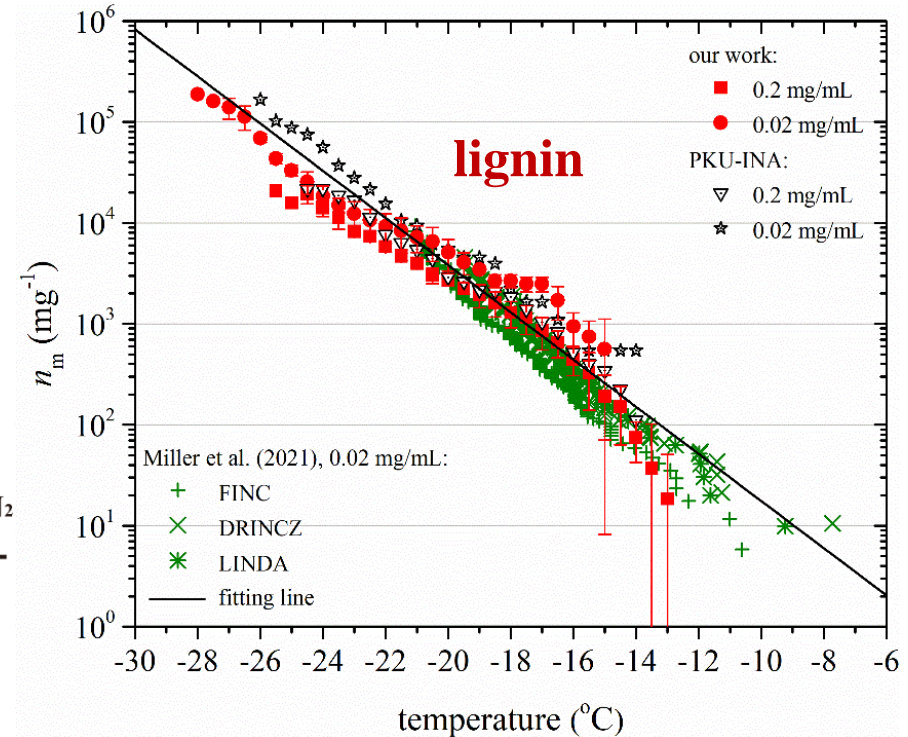
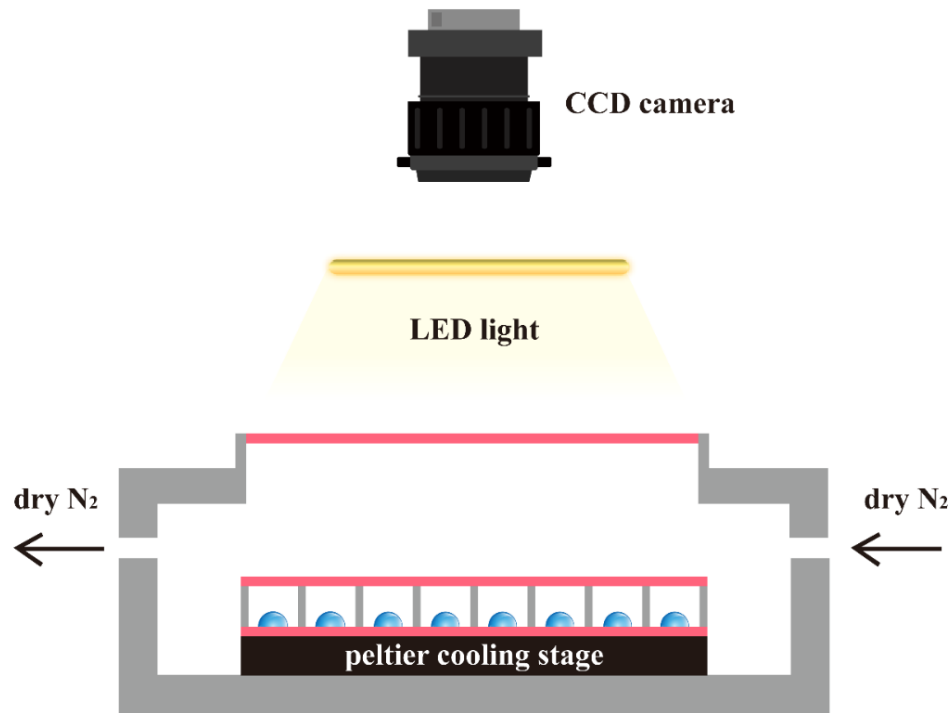
- **Mineral dust particles:**  
one of the most abundant INPs in the troposphere

# Chemical processing modified INPs



- The effects of heterogeneous reactions with  $\text{NO}_2$  on IN activities of mineral dust remain to be elucidated

# Instrument development and characterization

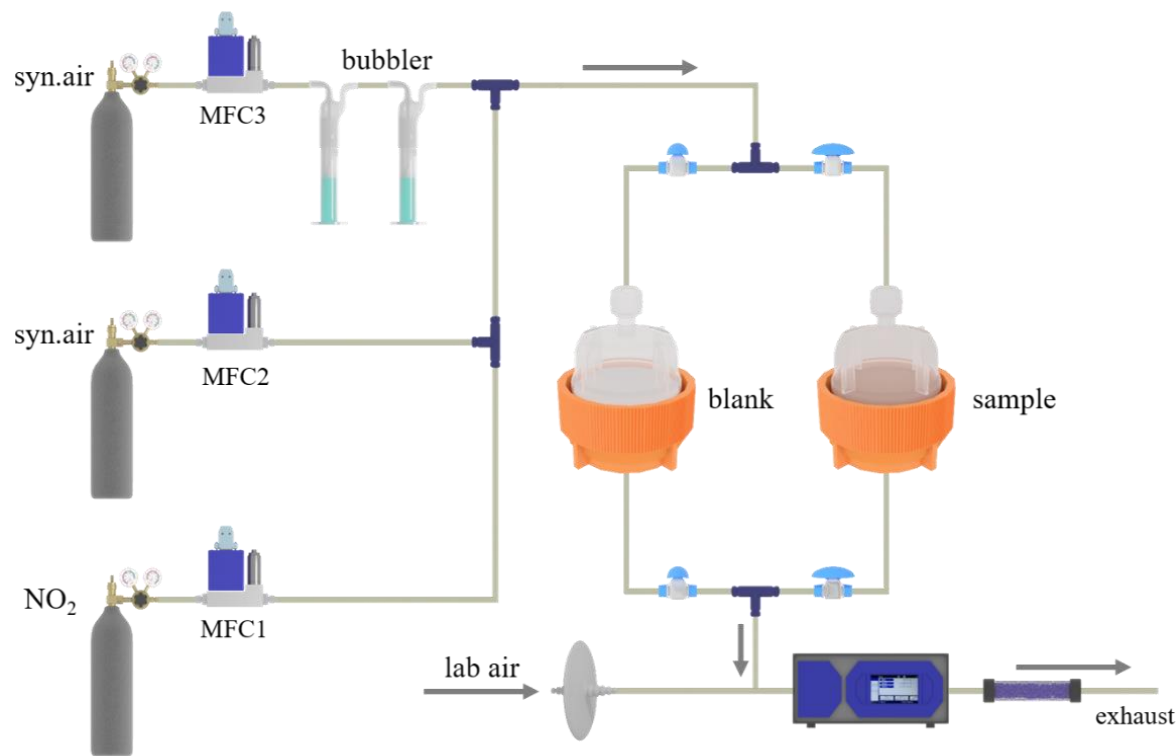


- Guangzhou Institute of Geochemistry  
Ice Nucleation Apparatus (GIGINA)

- The results measured by GIGINA  
agreed well with other instruments

# Heterogeneous reaction with NO<sub>2</sub>

NO<sub>2</sub> concentration:  $10 \pm 0.5$  ppmv; relative humidity: 40%



➤ **Mineral dust sample:**

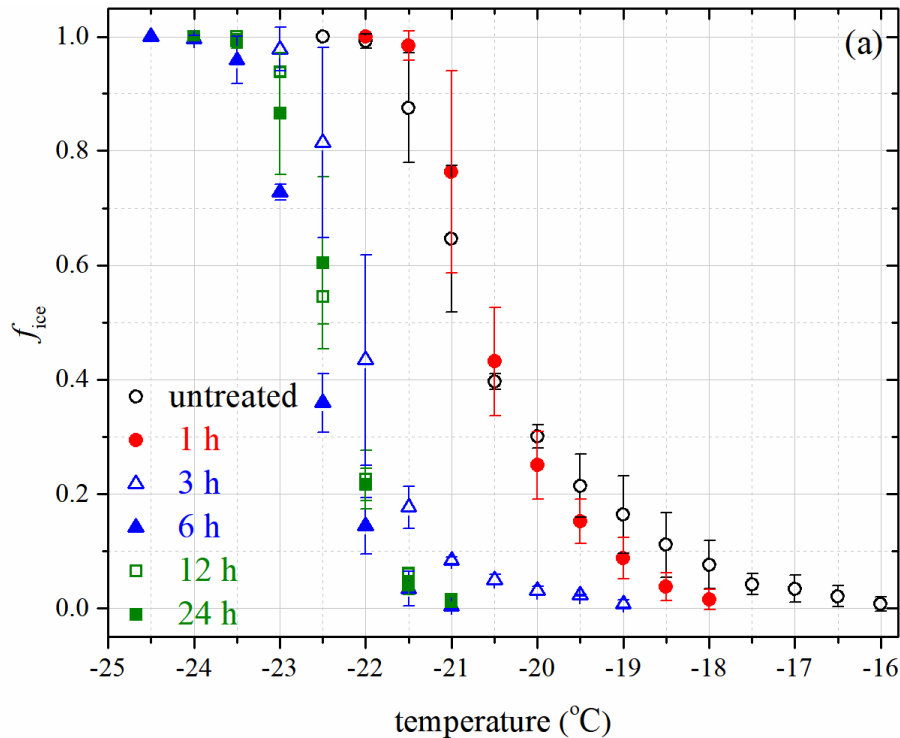
feldspar: high IN activities

➤ **Analysis methods:**

GIGINA: IN activities

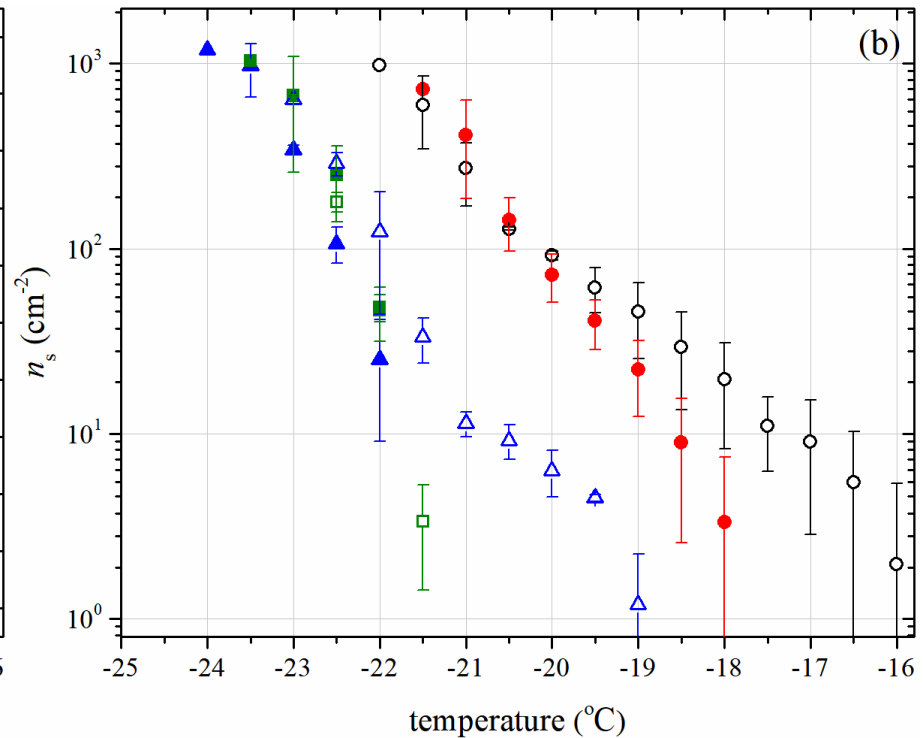
IC: the amount of nitrate

# Effect of NO<sub>2</sub> uptake on IN activities: feldspar



## ➤ The change of freezing temperature

- $T_{50}$  was decreased from -20.5 to -22.5 °C (24 h)

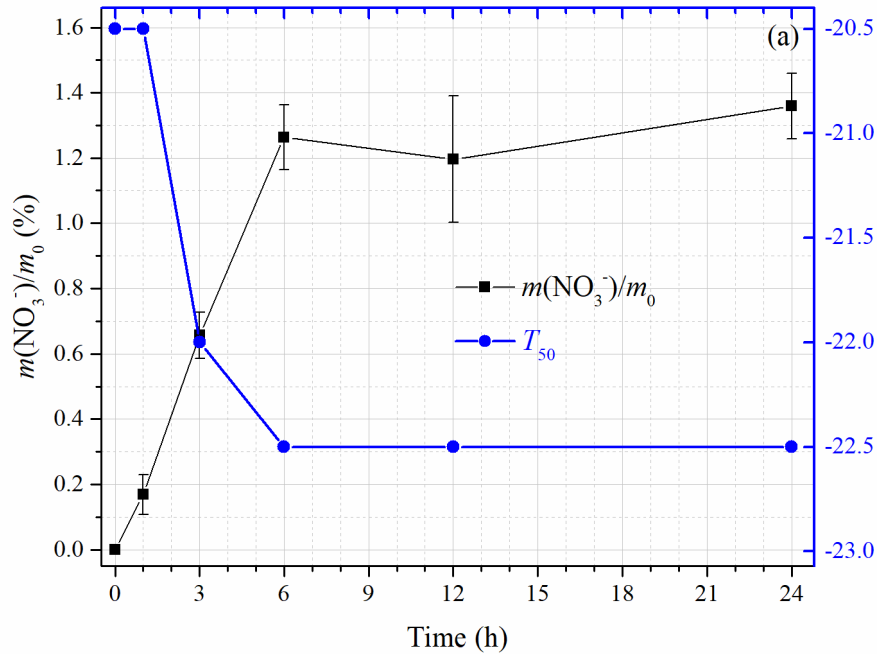


## ➤ The change of $n_s$

- $n_s$  was reduced by 2 orders of magnitude (24 h)

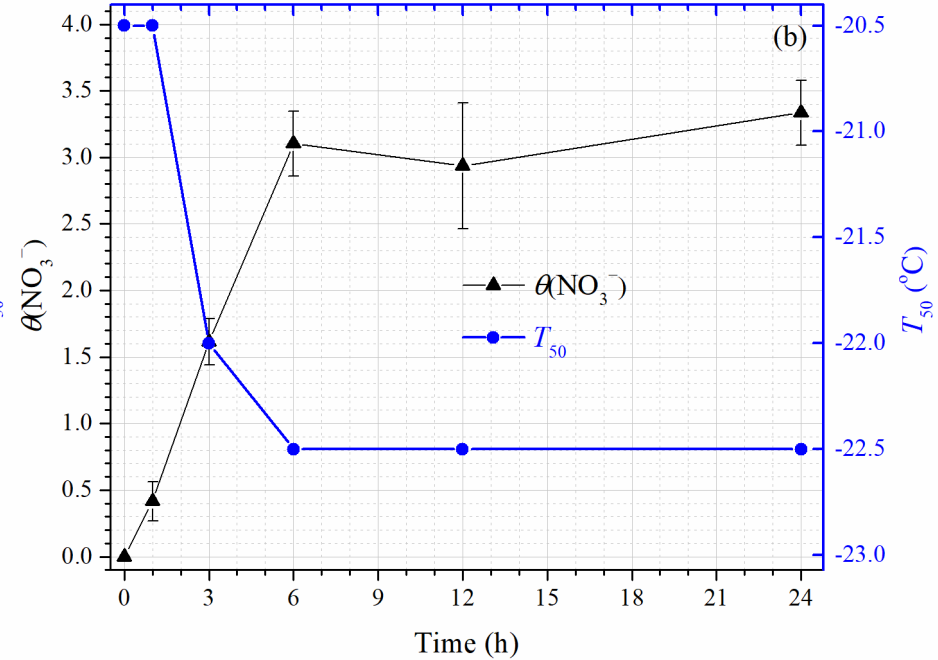
**NO<sub>2</sub> uptake could significantly reduce IN activities of feldspar**

# Nitrate and IN activities with time: feldspar



## ➤ $m(\text{NO}_3^-)/m_0$ and $\theta(\text{NO}_3^-)$ :

- 0-6 h : increased with reaction time
- 6-24 h: no additional changes



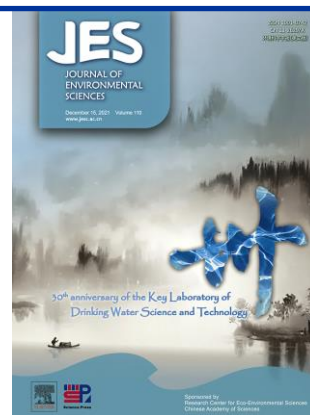
## ➤ IN activities ( $T_{50}$ ):

- 0-6 h : decreased with reaction time
- 6-24 h: no additional changes



# Effects of heterogeneous reaction with $\text{NO}_2$ on ice nucleation activities of feldspar and Arizona Test Dust

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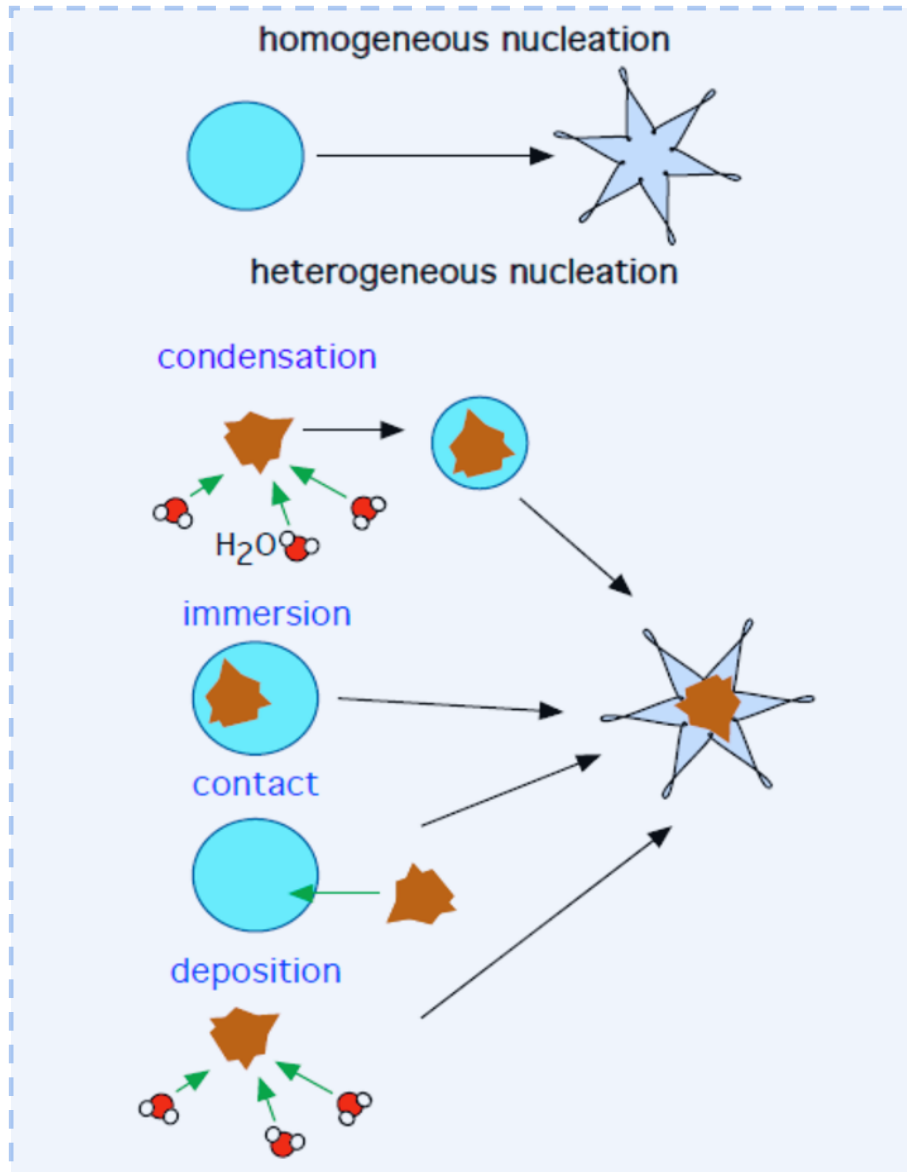
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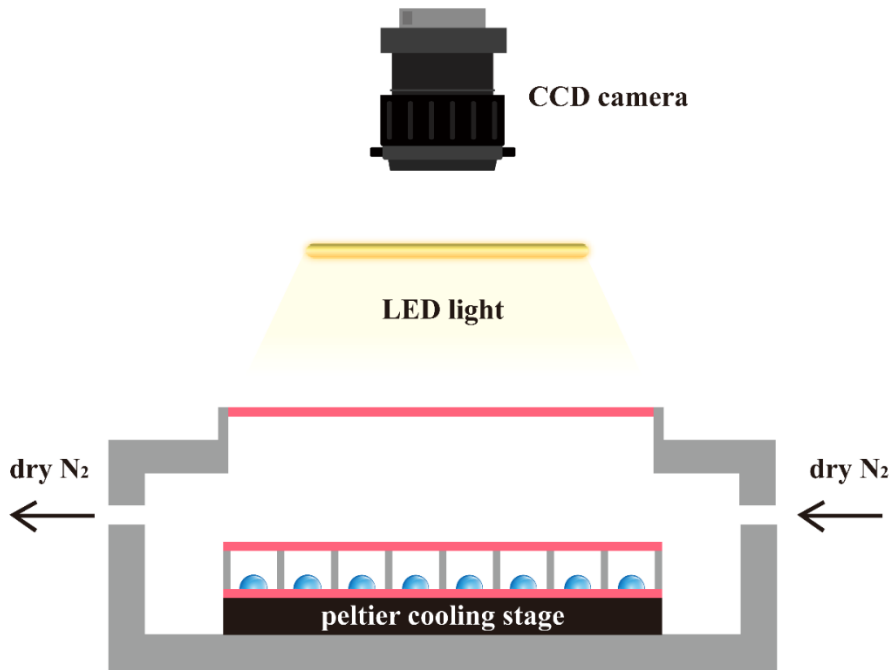


# Ice nucleation mechanisms



- **Ice nucleating particles (INPs):** aerosol particles which can initiate heterogeneous ice nucleation
- Immersion freezing: freezing initiated by INPs immersed in liquid droplets
- **Immersion freezing** is most relevant for ice nucleation in mixed-phase clouds

# Description of the Instrument



## ➤ Working principle:

The droplets will be placed on a cold stage, the freezing behavior of droplets are monitored by camera during cooling

## ➤ Instrument composition:

**cold stage (Linkam 120), enclosed droplet chamber, LED light, CCD camera, N<sub>2</sub>**

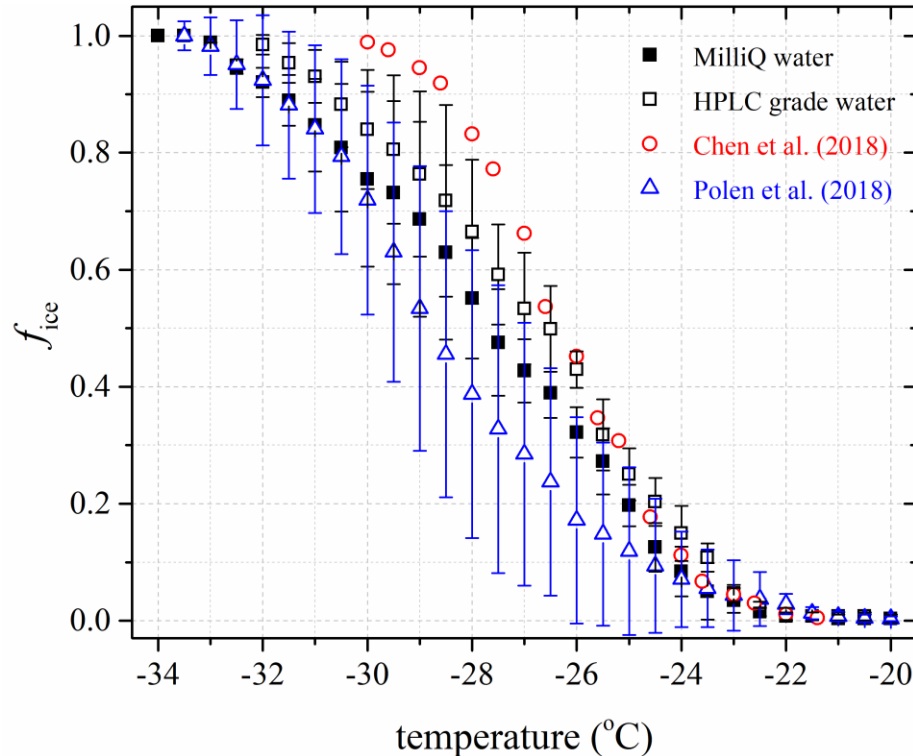
## ➤ Key experimental conditions:

- droplet volume: 1  $\mu\text{L}$
- cooling rate: 1  $^{\circ}\text{C}/\text{min}$

# Instrument development and characterization

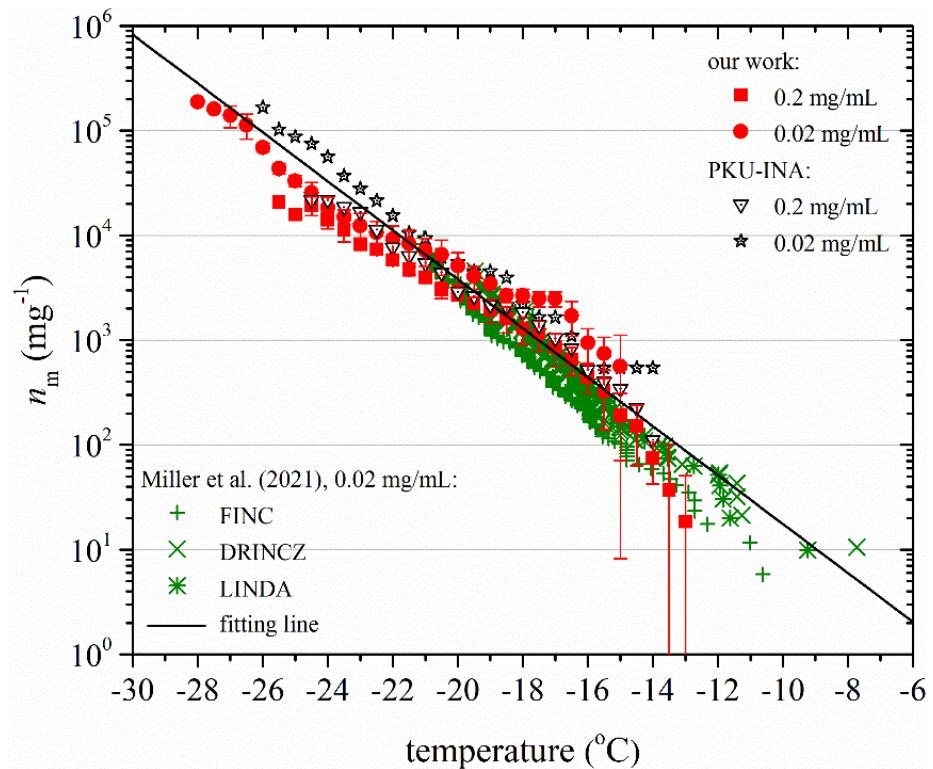
## Guangzhou Institute of Geochemistry Ice Nucleation Apparatus (GIGINA):

IN activities of atmospheric particles in the immersion freezing mode



### Freezing of water droplets:

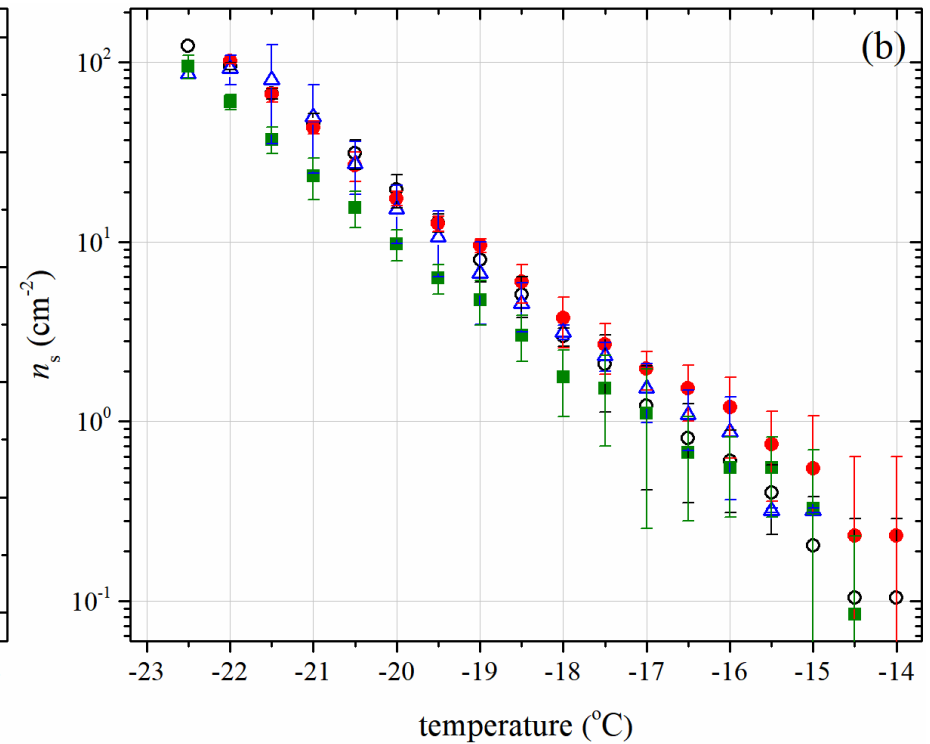
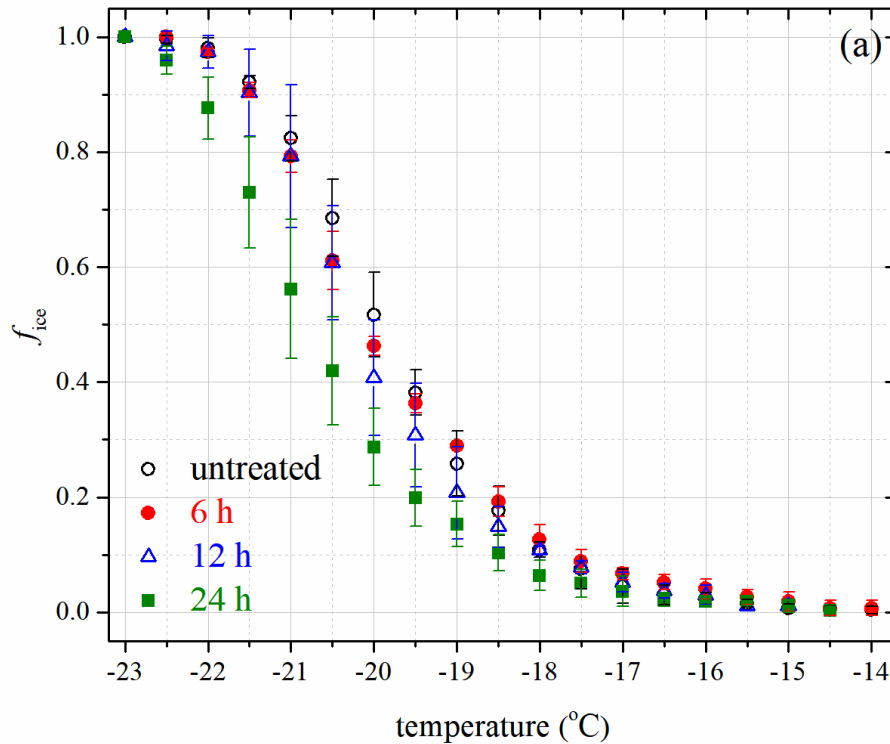
- The background level of GIGINA was satisfactorily low



### Freezing of lignin:

- The results measured by GIGINA agreed well with other four instruments

# Effect of NO<sub>2</sub> uptake on IN activities: ATD



## ➤ The change of freezing temperature

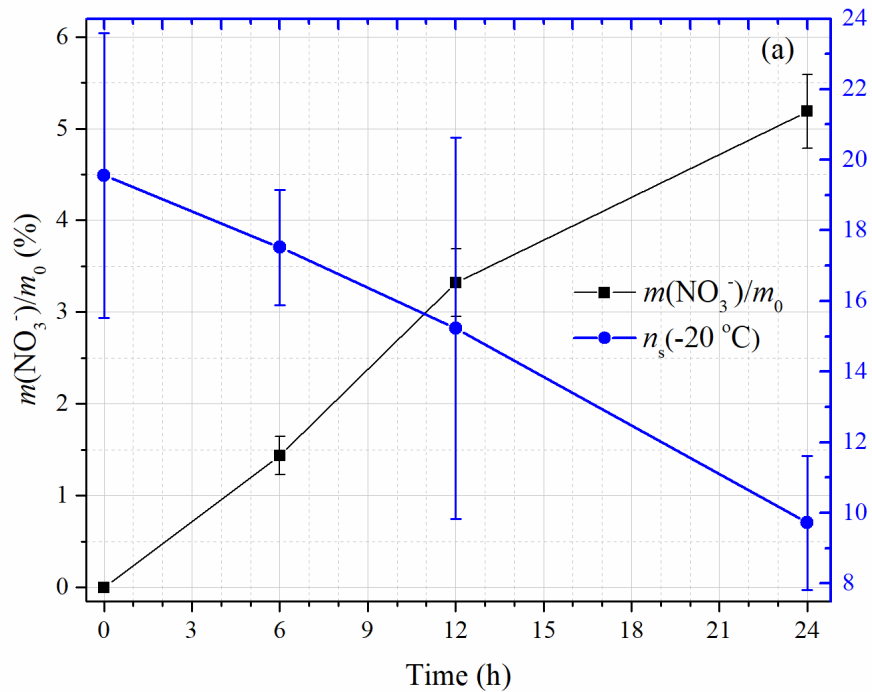
- $T_{50}$  was decreased by 1°C (24 h)

## ➤ The change of $n_s$

- $n_s$  was reduced by 50% (24 h)

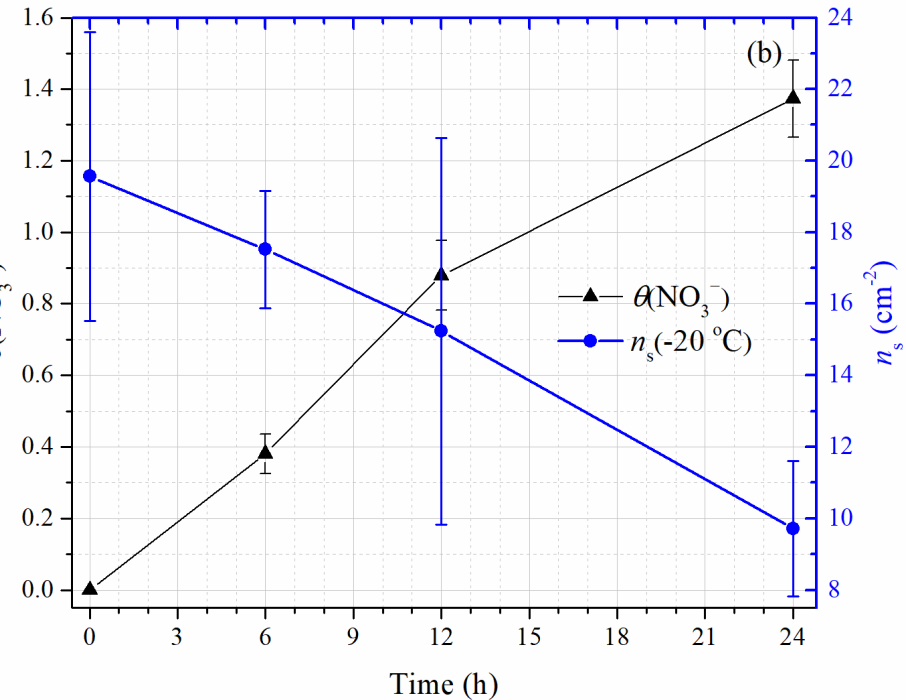
**NO<sub>2</sub> uptake could considerably reduce IN activities of ATD**

# Nitrate and IN activities with time: ATD



## ➤ $m(\text{NO}_3^-)/m_0$ and $\theta(\text{NO}_3^-)$ :

- 0-24 h: increased with reaction time

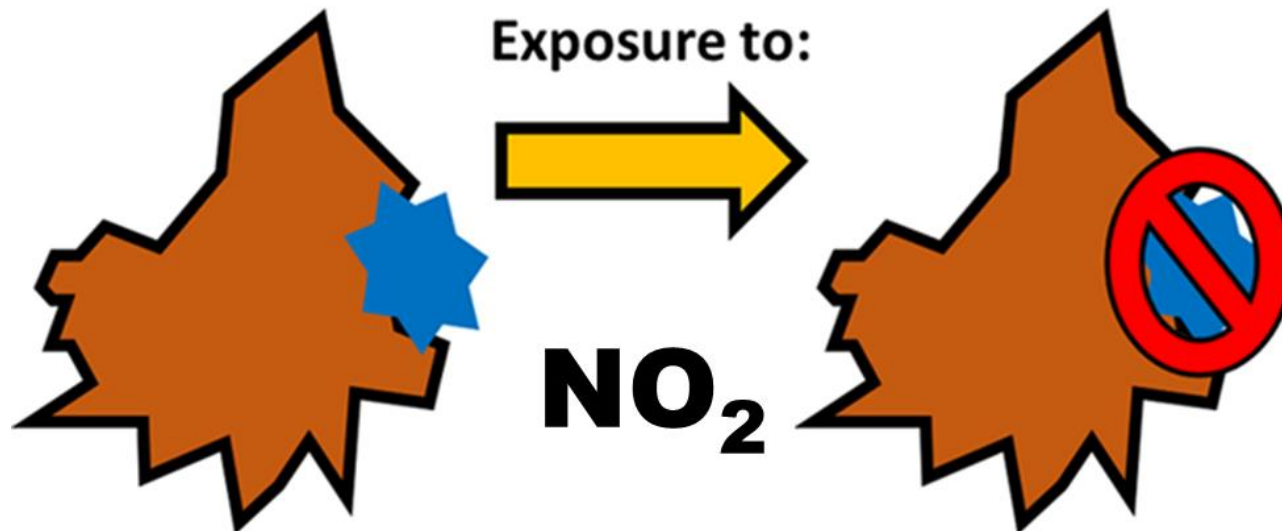


## ➤ IN activities ( $n_s$ ):

- 0-24 h: decreased with reaction time

# The factors affecting IN activity

Effects of freezing point depression could be neglected ( $<0.01\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ )



## Possible mechanisms on reduction in IN activities

- K, Na and even Al of particles could be displaced after exposure to  $\text{NO}_2$

- OH groups on the particle surface could be consumed after exposure to  $\text{NO}_2$