Evaluating a Bottom-up Inventory of Anthropogenic VOC Emissions with Field Measurements in New York City



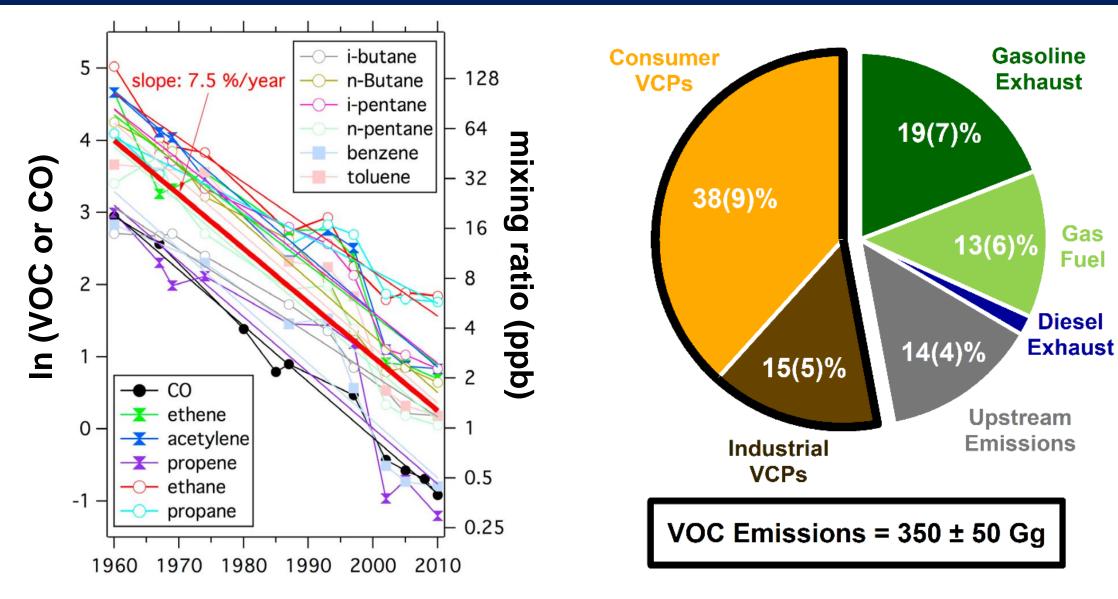
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Long-Term Decreases in Motor Vehicle Emissions of VOCs

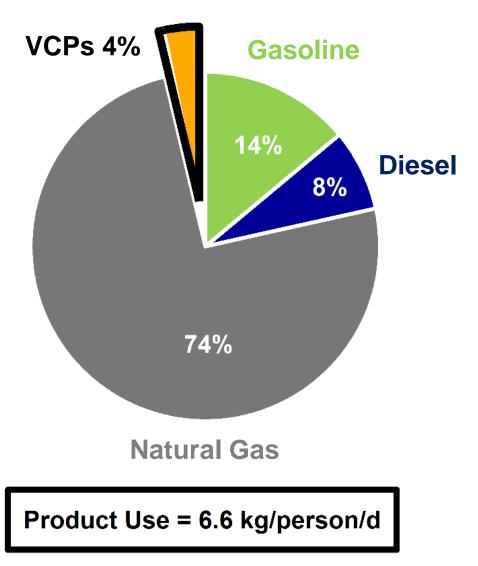


Warneke et al. (*J. Geophys. Res.* 2018)

McDonald et al. (*Science* 2018)

Quantifying Fossil Fuel and Chemical Product Use in NYC

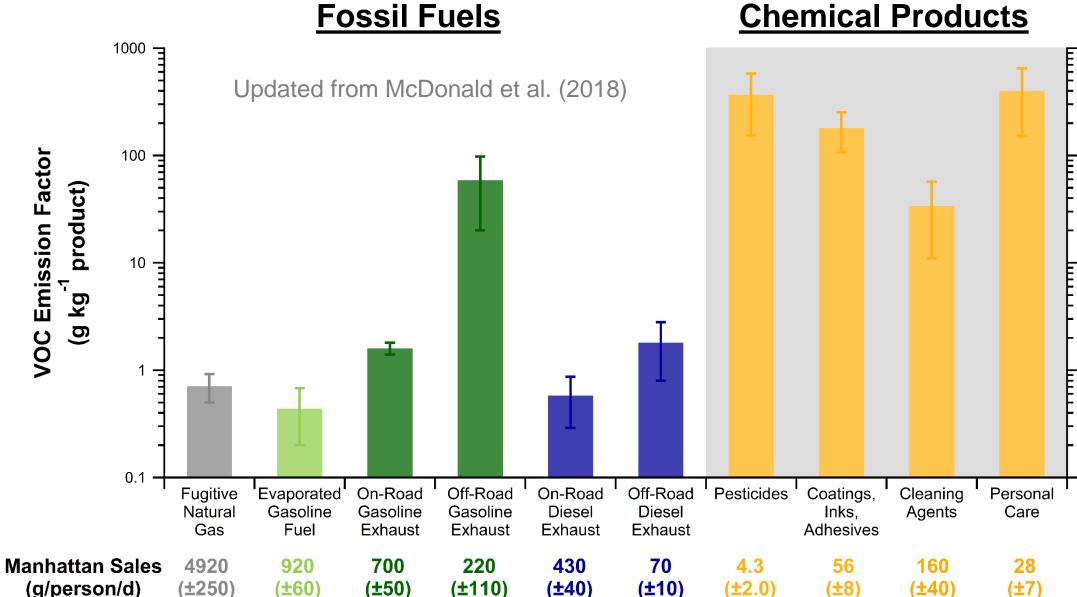
Manhattan (Winter 2018)



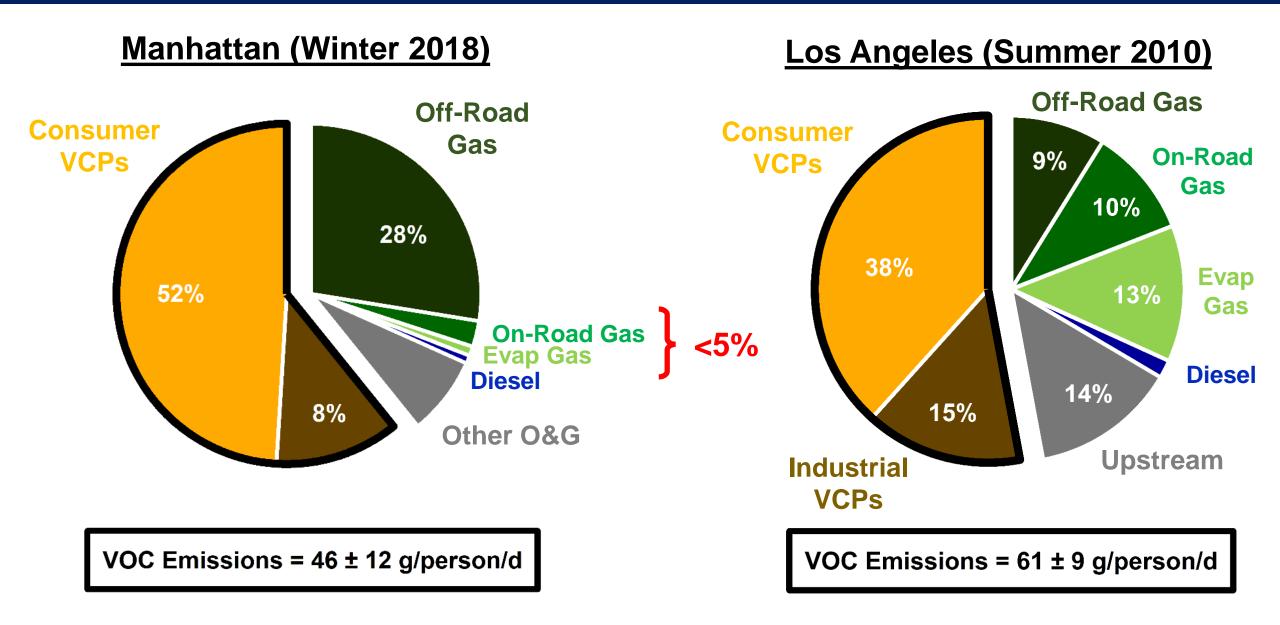
- State-level on-road gasoline and diesel fuel sales allocated to NYC using traffic data [McDonald et al., ES&T 2018]
- State-level off-road gasoline and diesel fuel sales allocated to NYC by population [FHWA, EIA]
- State-level natural gas fuel sales by month allocated to NYC by population [EIA]
- Per capita VCP use allocated to NYC by population [McDonald et al., Science 2018]

Fossil Fuel vs. VCP VOC Emission Factors (NYC 2018)

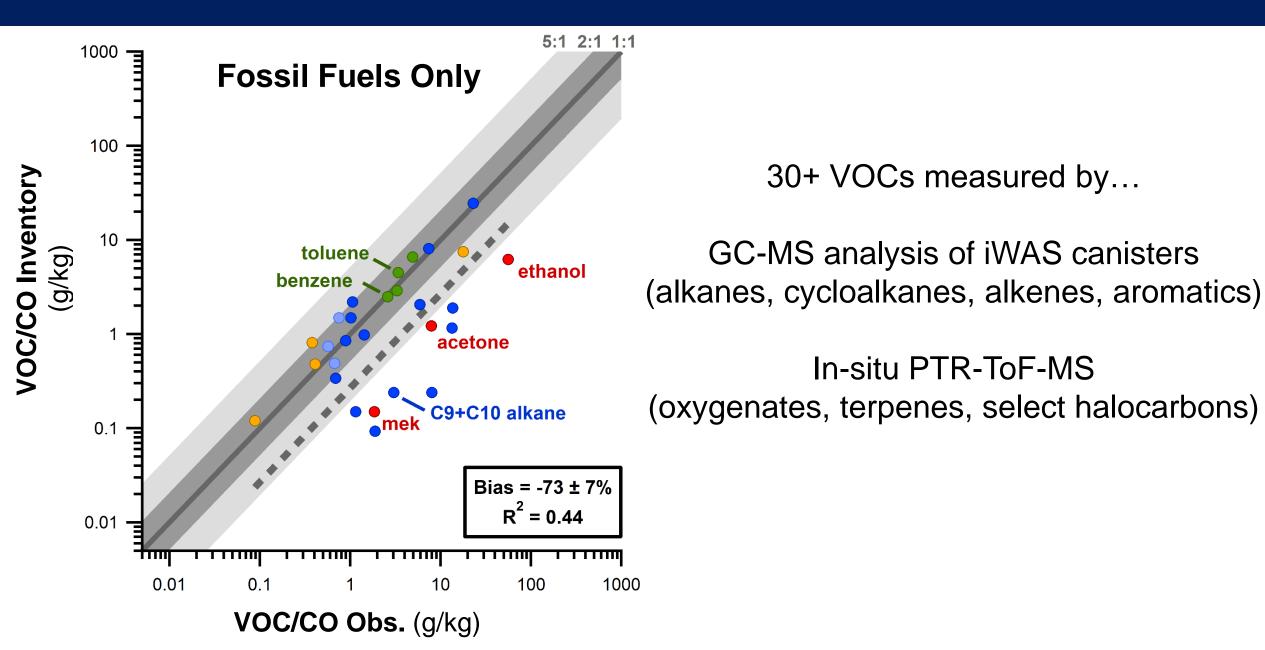
Fossil Fuels



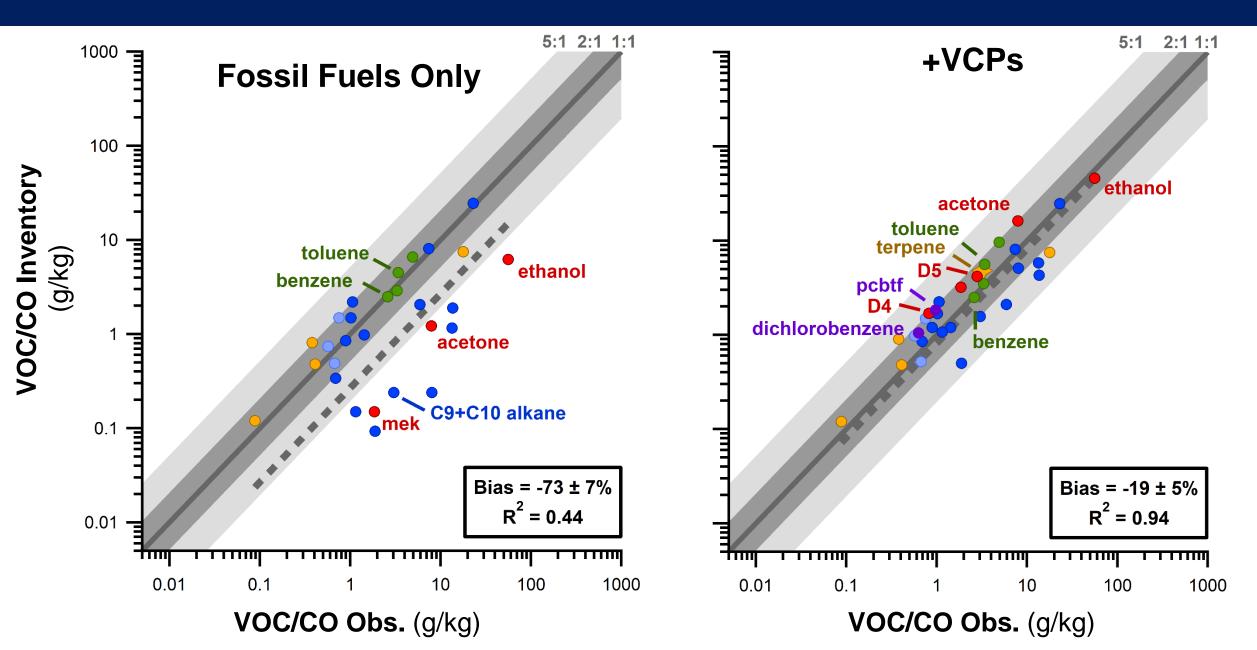
Distribution of Petrochemical VOC Emissions



Fossil Fuels Alone Cannot Explain Ambient VOC Levels in Manhattan



Need VCP Emissions to Explain Ambient VOC Levels in Manhattan



Preliminary Findings

(1) Quantified petrochemical VOC emissions for NYC similar to Los Angeles

- VCPs account for over half of the petrochemical VOC emissions in NYC (greater fraction of total than for LA)
- (2) Evaluated bottom-up VOC inventory with ambient VOC measurements
 - VCP emissions needed to explain ambient VOC measurements (R² ~ 0.94)

Next Step: Develop VOC inventory for chemical transport modeling.