

Monitoring Volatiles using a Mobile Real-Time Mass Spectrometer

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PRESENTATION OVERVIEW

1. How SIFT-MS works
2. Clean Air Roadshow
3. Interesting findings
4. Other mobile applications



WHAT MAKES SIFT-MS SO SPECIAL?



Single analysis
detects a wide variety
of compounds



High selectivity and
sensitivity (pptv)



Low operating costs
and long-term stability



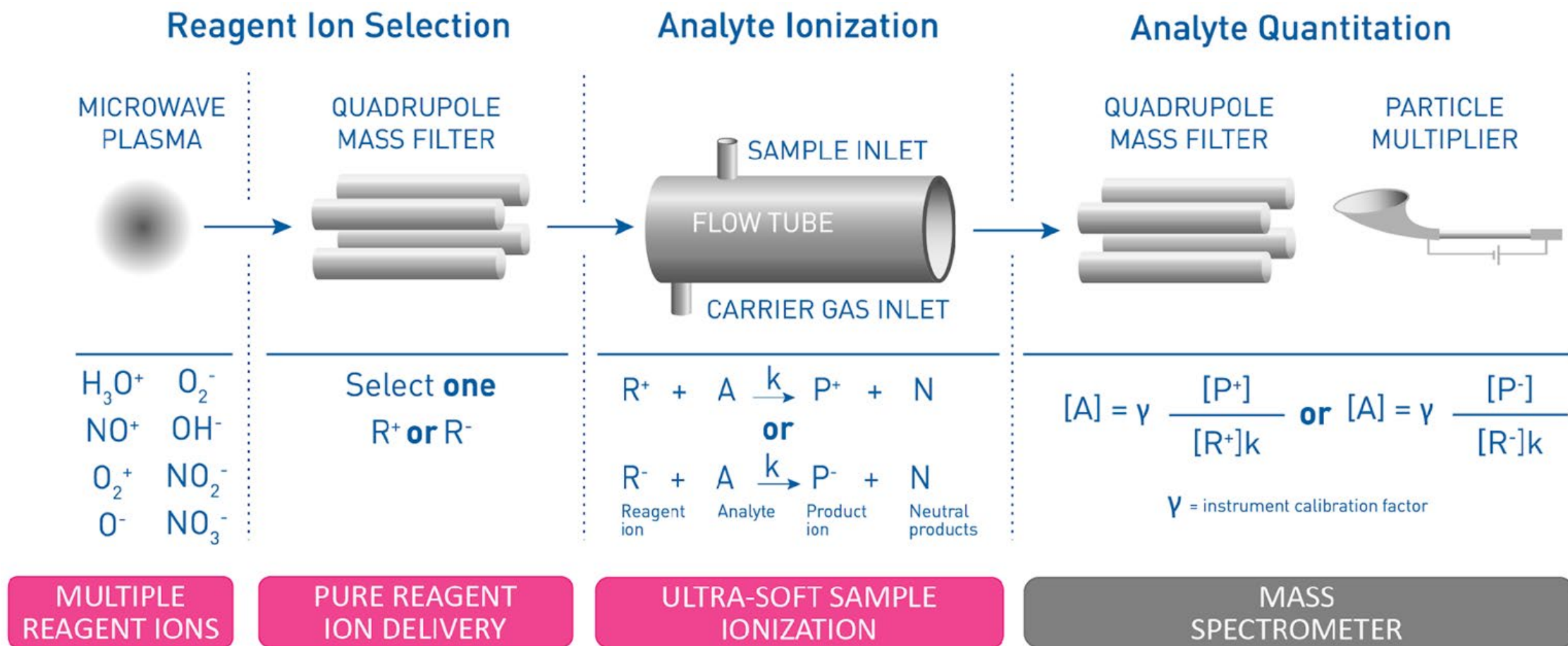
Real-time, dynamic,
and repeatable
analysis



No sample preparation



SIFT-MS: HOW THIS SOFT CHEMICAL IONIZATION TECHNIQUE WORKS

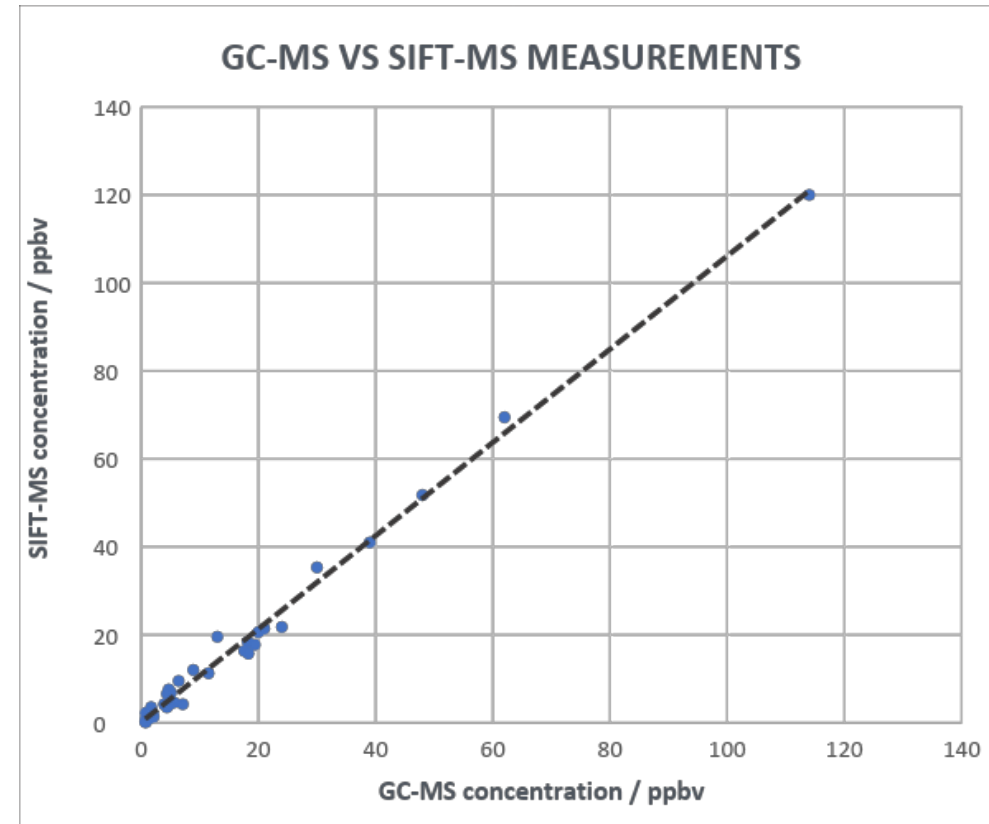


SEPARATION THROUGH GAS PHASE ION-MOLECULE CHEMISTRY

Chemical Mechanism	H ₃ O ⁺	NO ⁺	O ₂ ⁺	OH ⁻	O ⁻	O ₂ ⁻	NO ₂ ⁻	NO ₃ ⁻
Proton transfer (PT)	✓							
Electron transfer (ET)		✓	✓			✓		
Dissociative ET		✓	✓					
Hydride abstraction		✓						
Association	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓		
Proton abstraction				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Hydrogen atom transfer					✓			
Associative detachment				✓	✓	✓		
Displacement				✓	✓			
Elimination				✓	✓			



COMPARABLE QUANTITATION WITH CONVENTIONAL TECHNIQUES



Rapid Commun. Mass Spectrom. **2014**, *28*, 10–18

THE SYFT USA MOBILE LAB



TAKE AWAYS FROM ROADSHOW VISITS

Instrument start up takes 30-45 minutes.

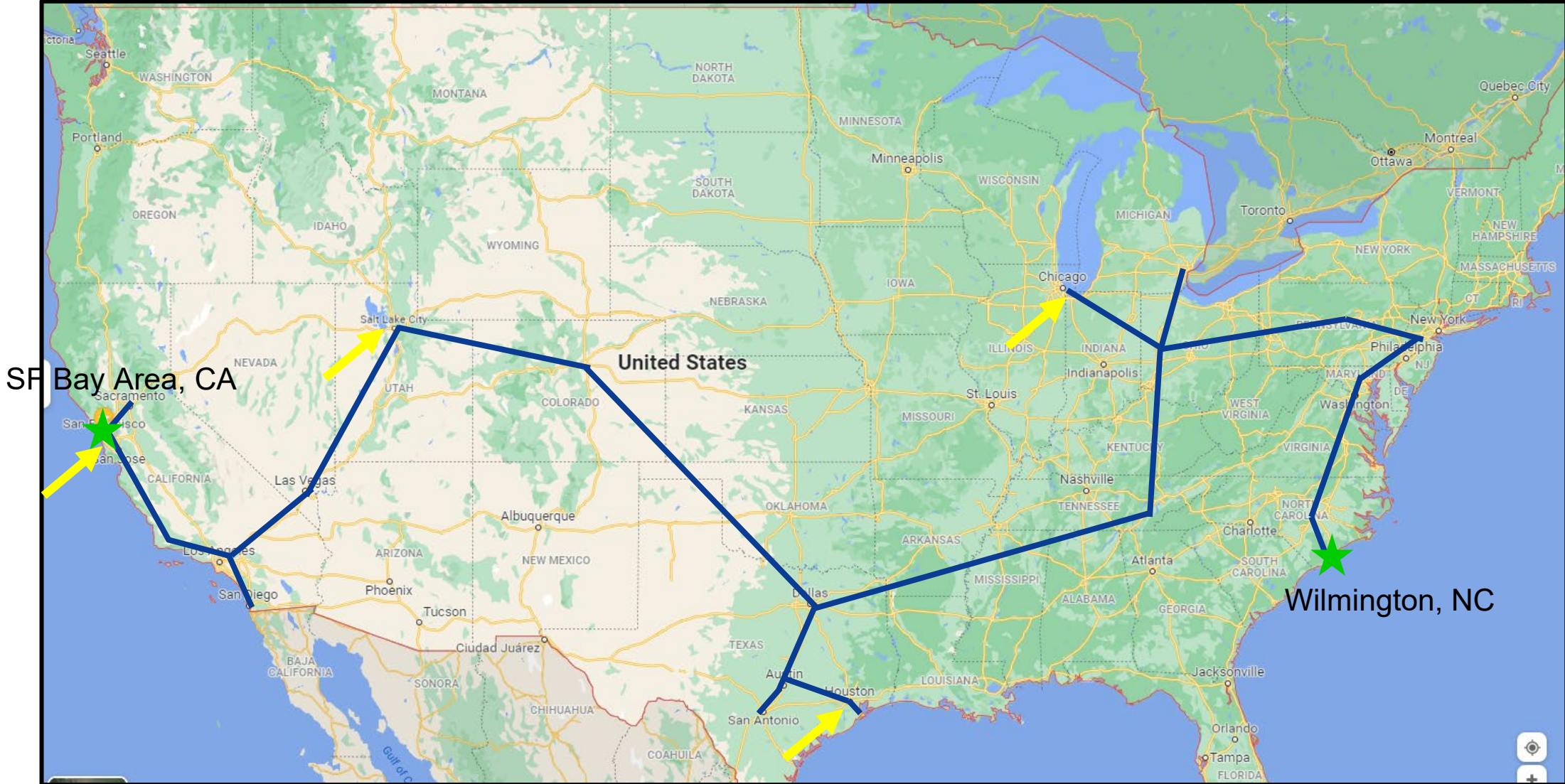
Method creation from library takes <5 minutes.

Data analysis is easy and operator friendly.

Data output from GPS software is real time!



CLEAN AIR ROADSHOW



ZERO WASTE FACILITY, MILPITAS, CA

Milpitas is home to various waste disposal, recycling and compost facilities

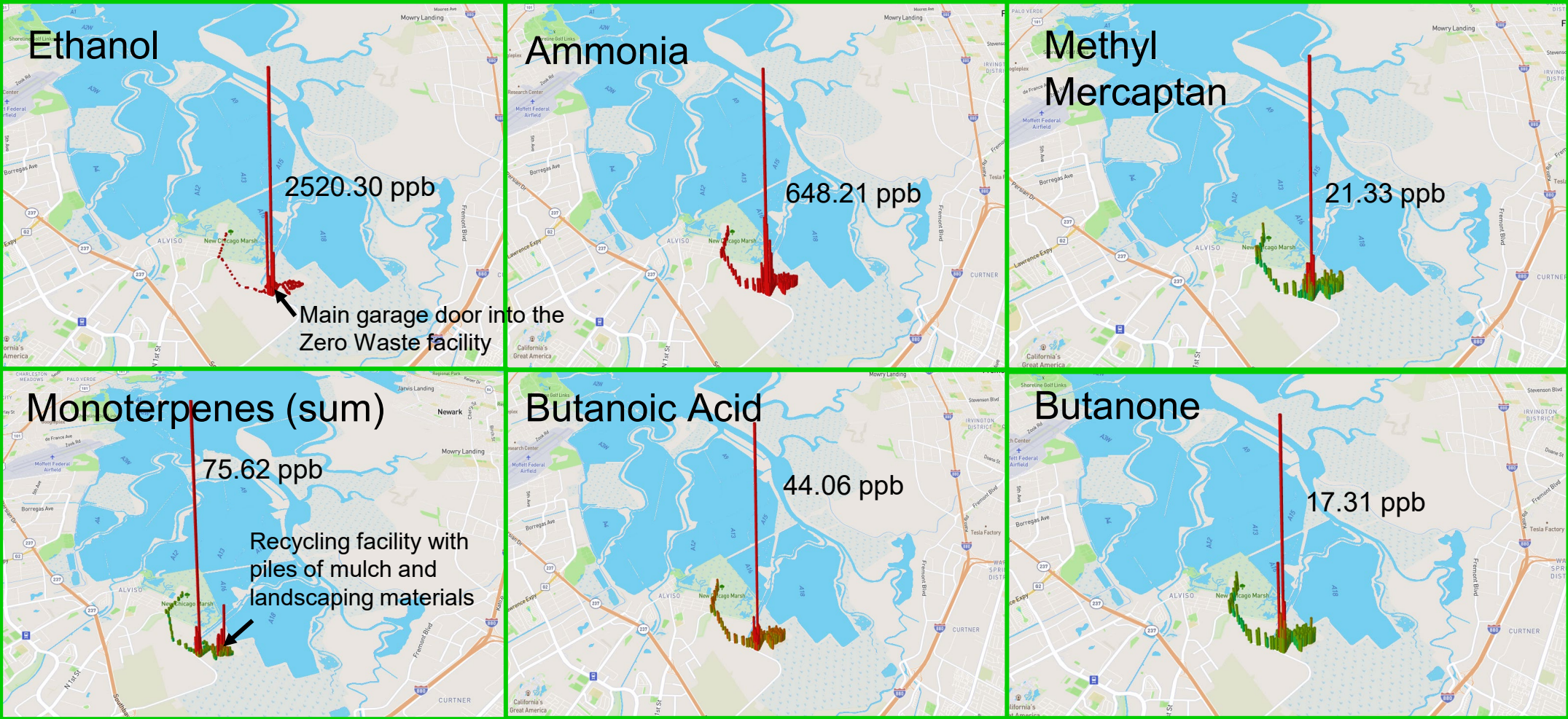
There are frequent odor complaints from the adjacent communities

Most odorous VOCs have detection thresholds lower than what can be measured

There are no federal regulations on odorous VOCs

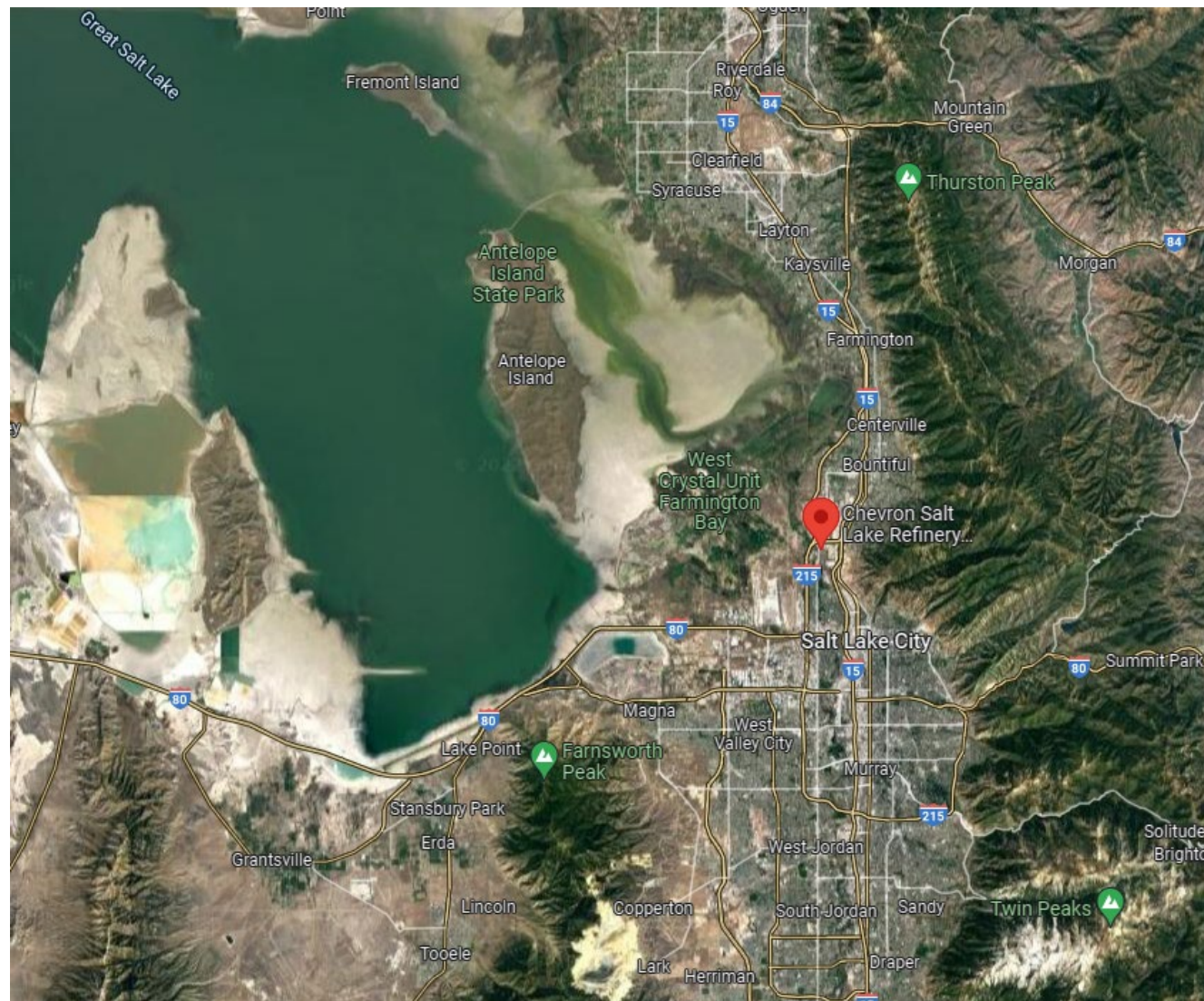


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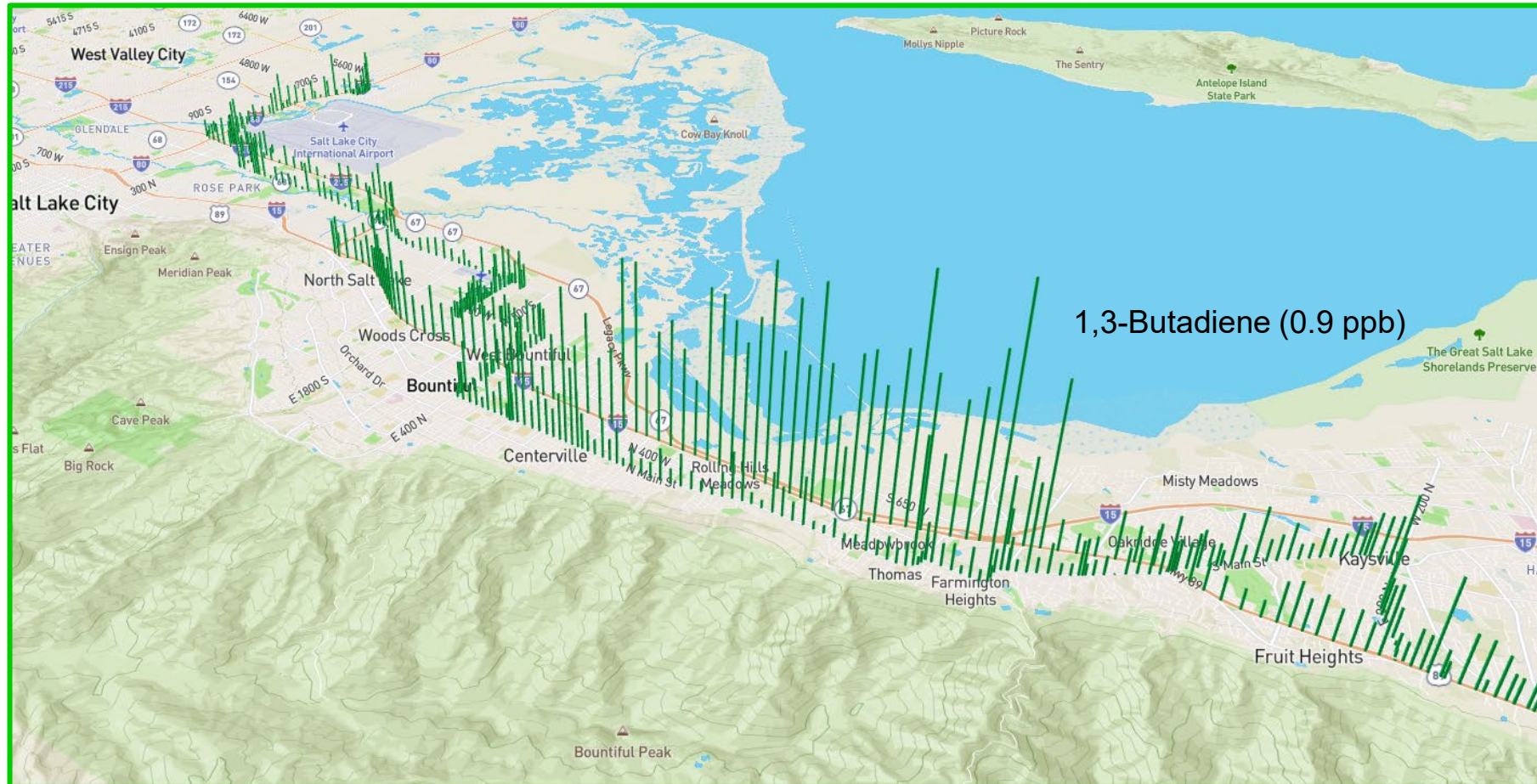


REFINERY DRIVE-BY – SALT LAKE CITY, UT

- Our path east was guided by locations where we had set up demonstrations
- Asked locals where there were air quality concerns in their city
- Chevron Refinery, SE side of the Great Salt Lake



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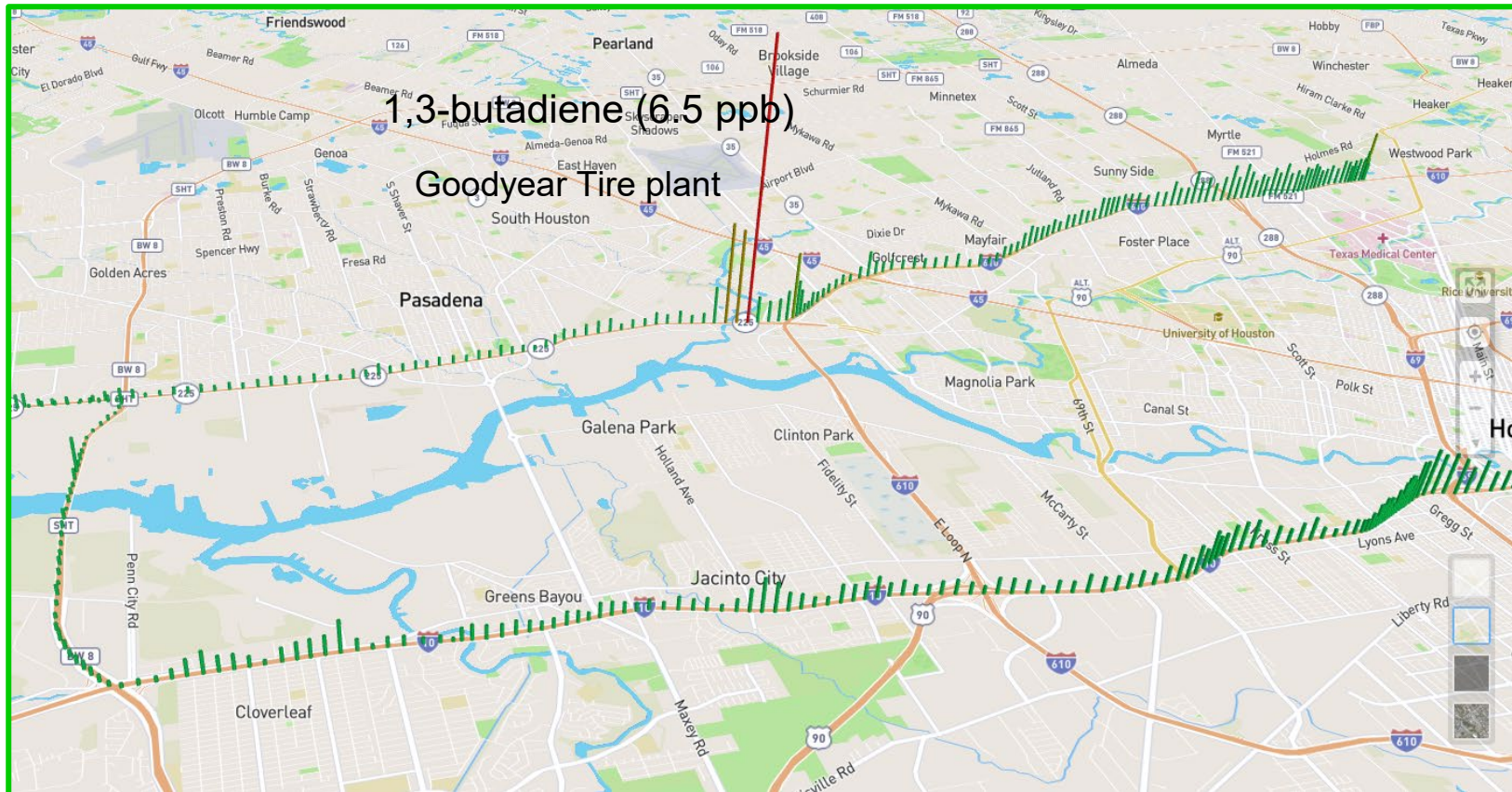


SAMPLING FROM HOUSTON TO THE GULF OF MEXICO

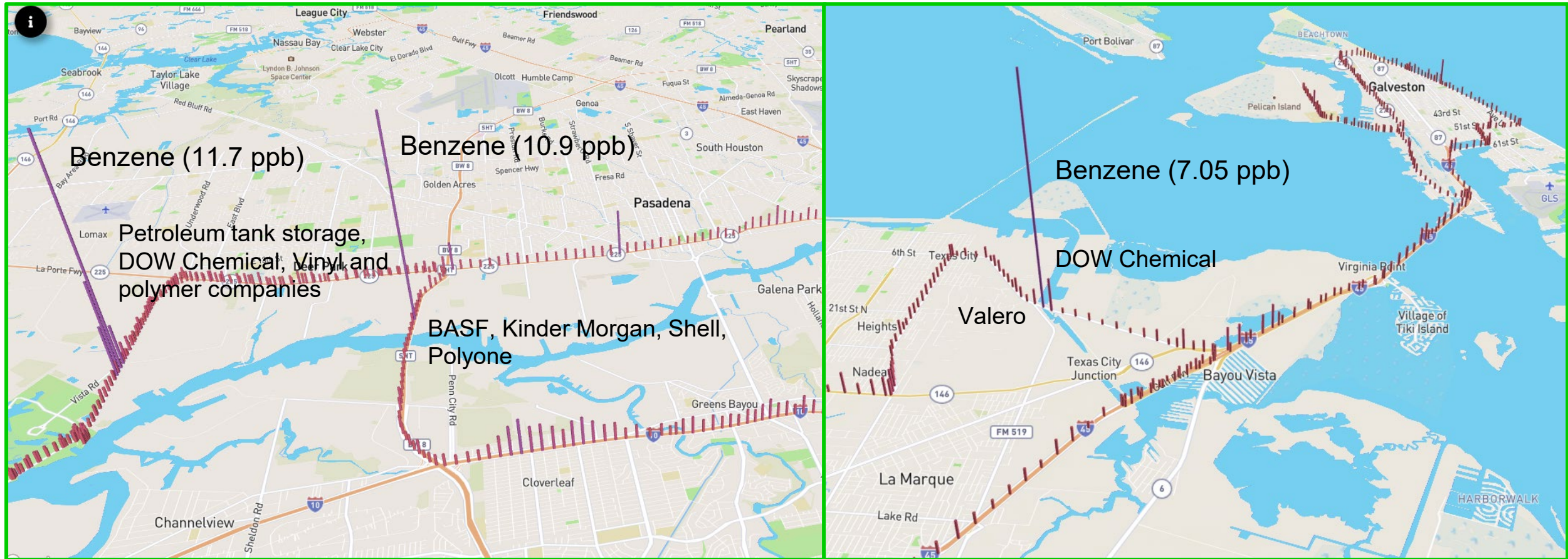
- One Breath Houston suggested we drive by the refineries and chemical plants southeast of Houston
- Sampling south of Houston to the Gulf of Mexico was conducted over two days in late June 2021.



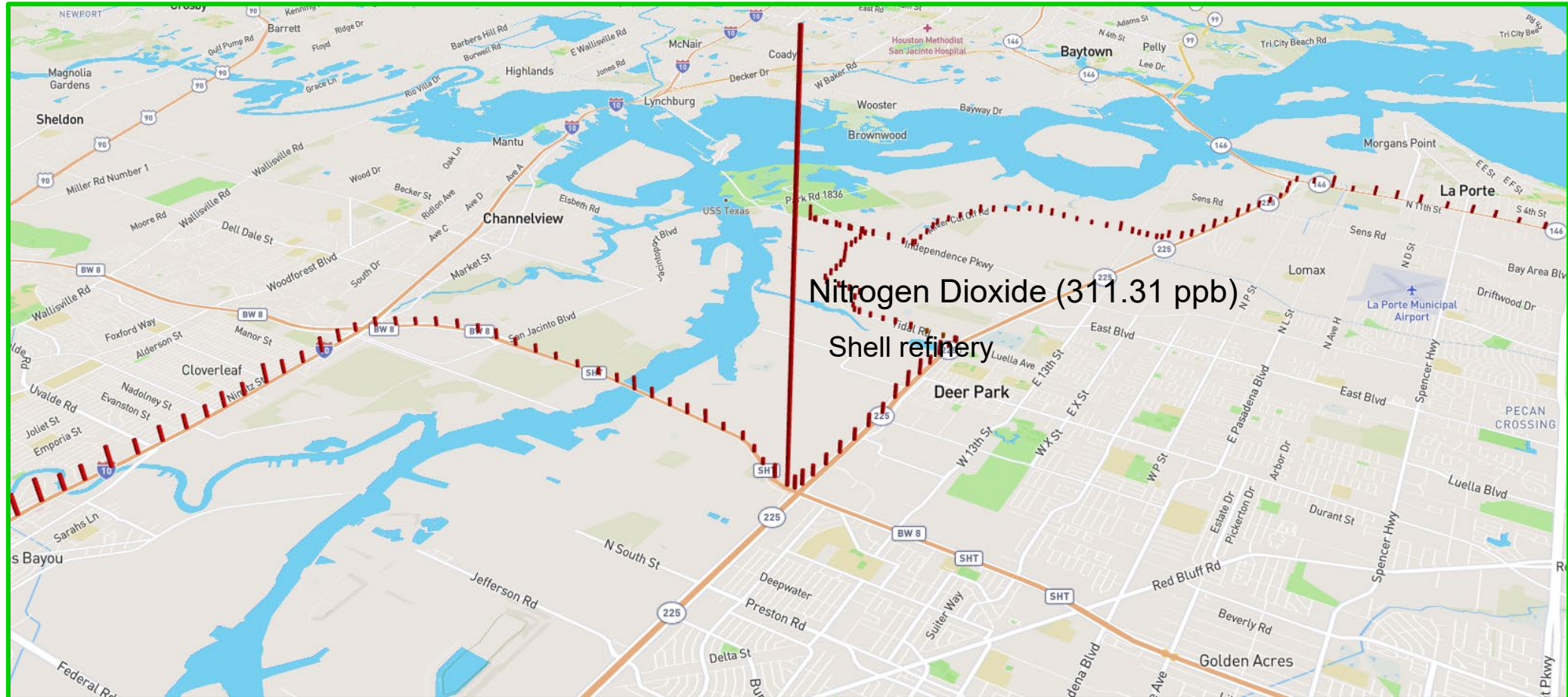
REAL-TIME MEASUREMENT OF 1,3-BUTADIENE IN TEXAS



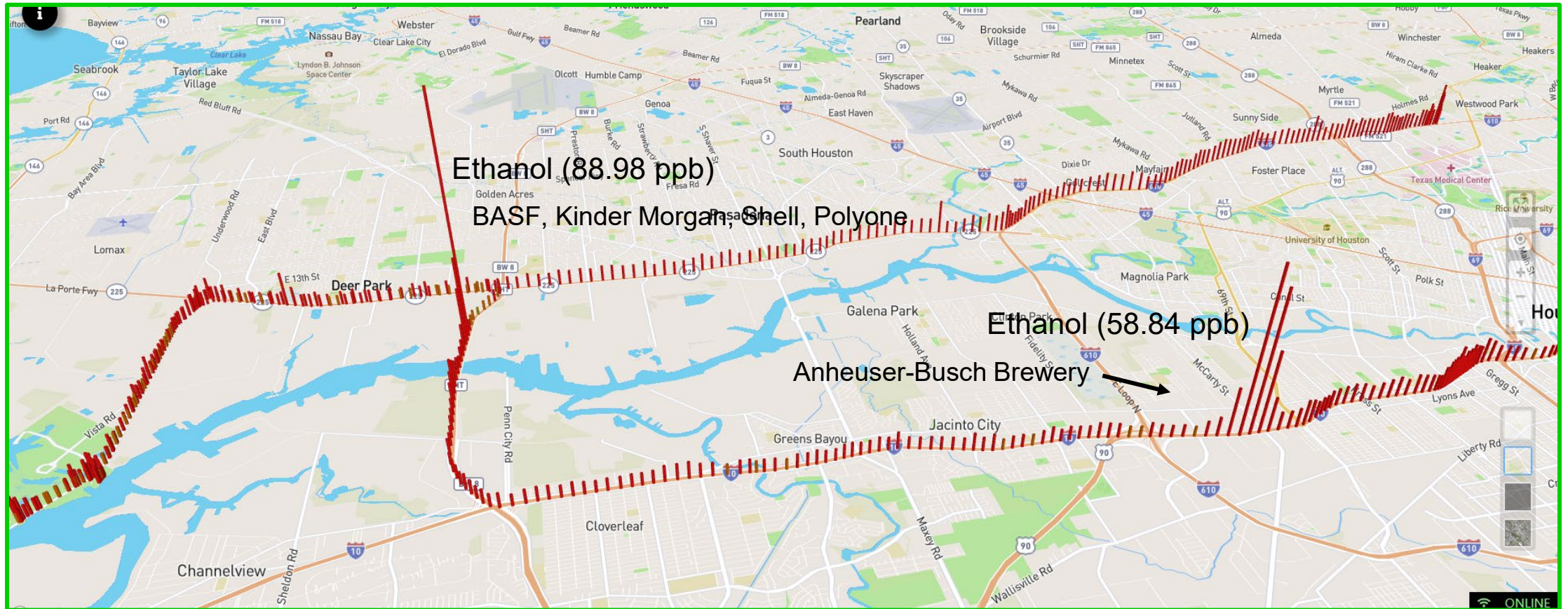
REAL-TIME MEASUREMENT OF BENZENE IN TEXAS



REAL-TIME MEASUREMENT OF NITROGEN DIOXIDE IN TEXAS



REAL-TIME MEASUREMENT OF ETHANOL IN TEXAS

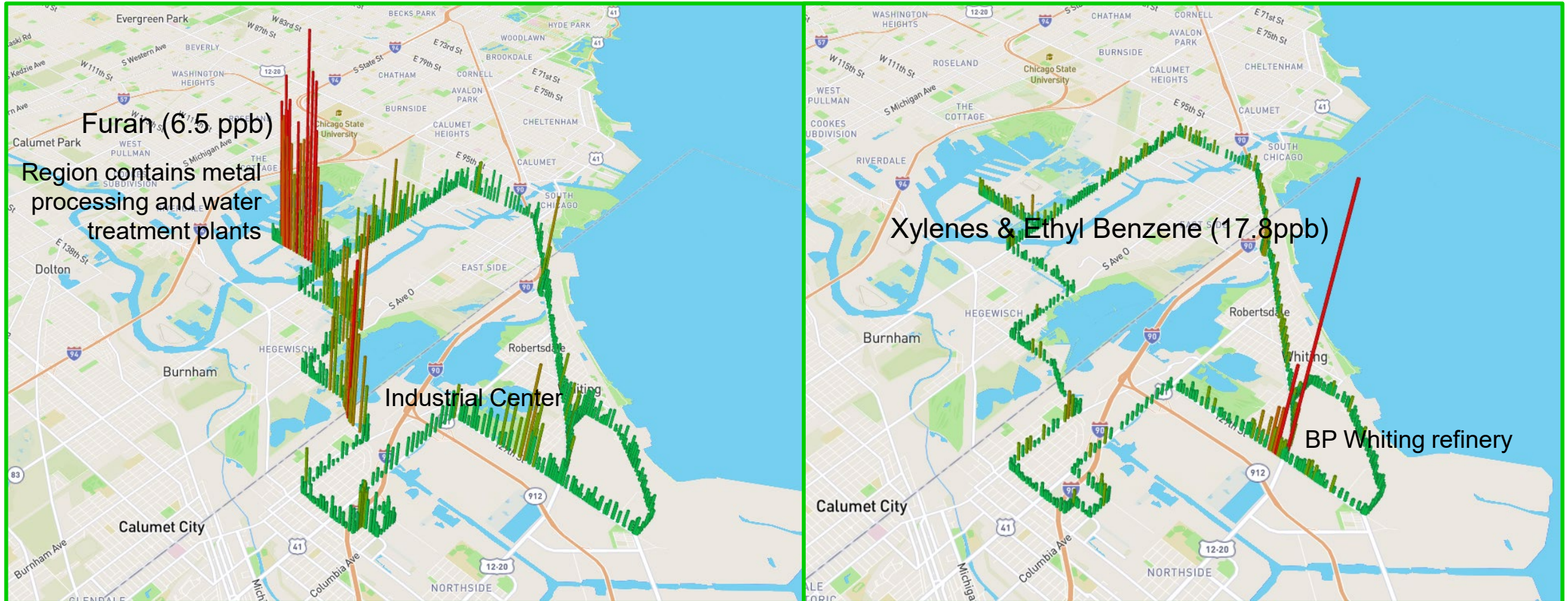


SAMPLING IN WHITING, IN SIDE-BY-SIDE WITH EPA REGION 5

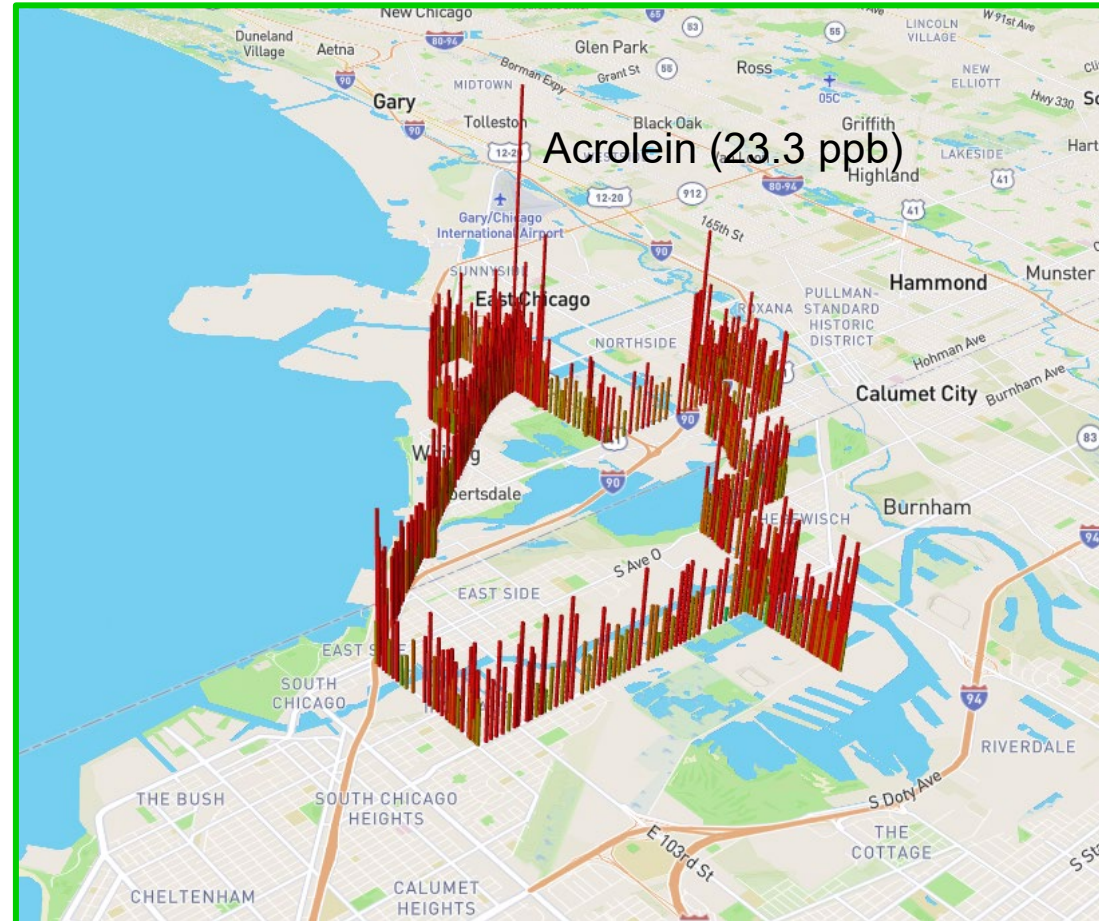
EPA Region 5 was conducting
sampling in Whiting, IN in August 2021



REAL-TIME MEASUREMENT OF FURAN & BTEX IN WHITING, IN

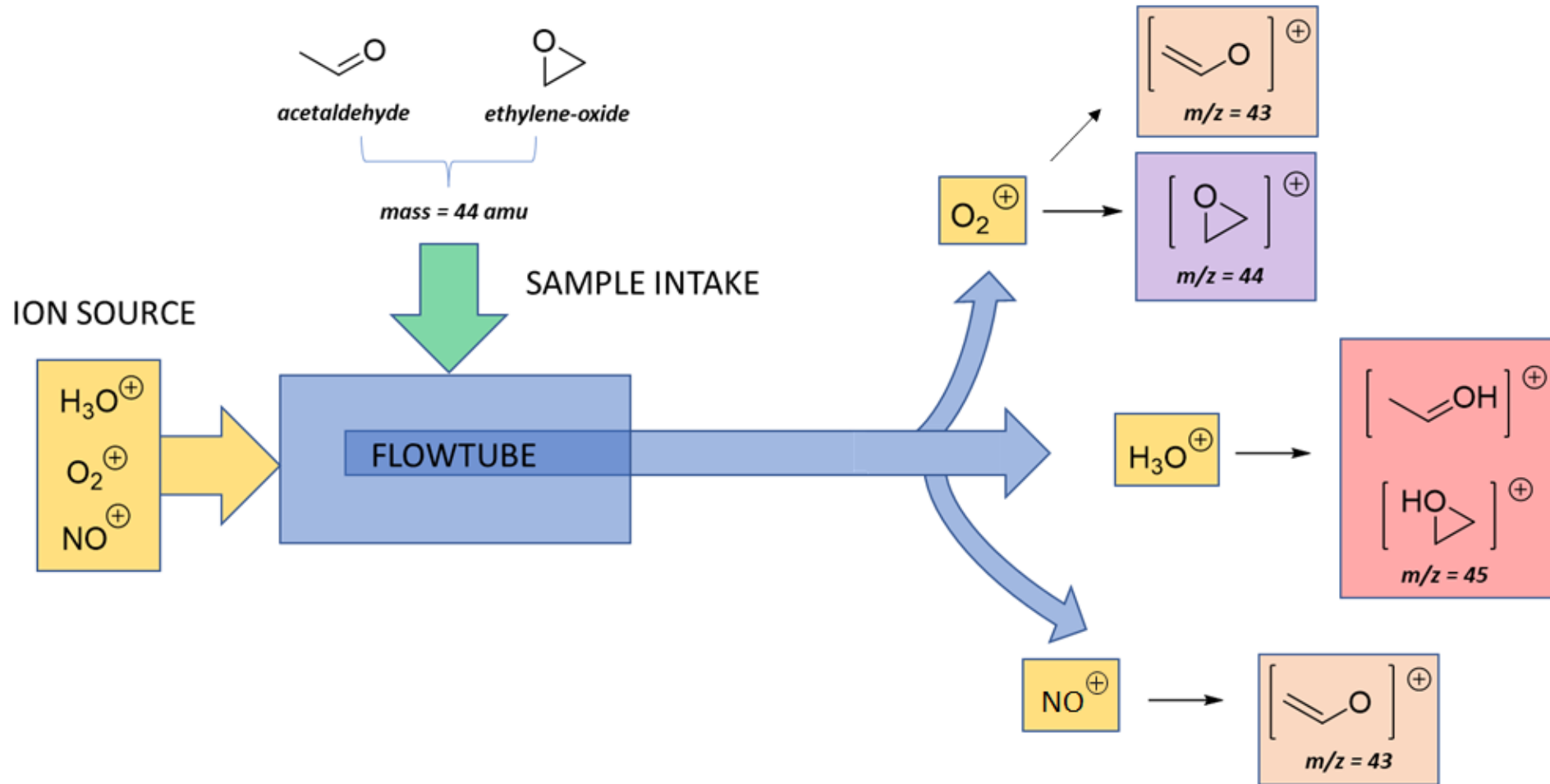


REAL-TIME MEASUREMENT OF ACROLEIN IN WHITING, IN



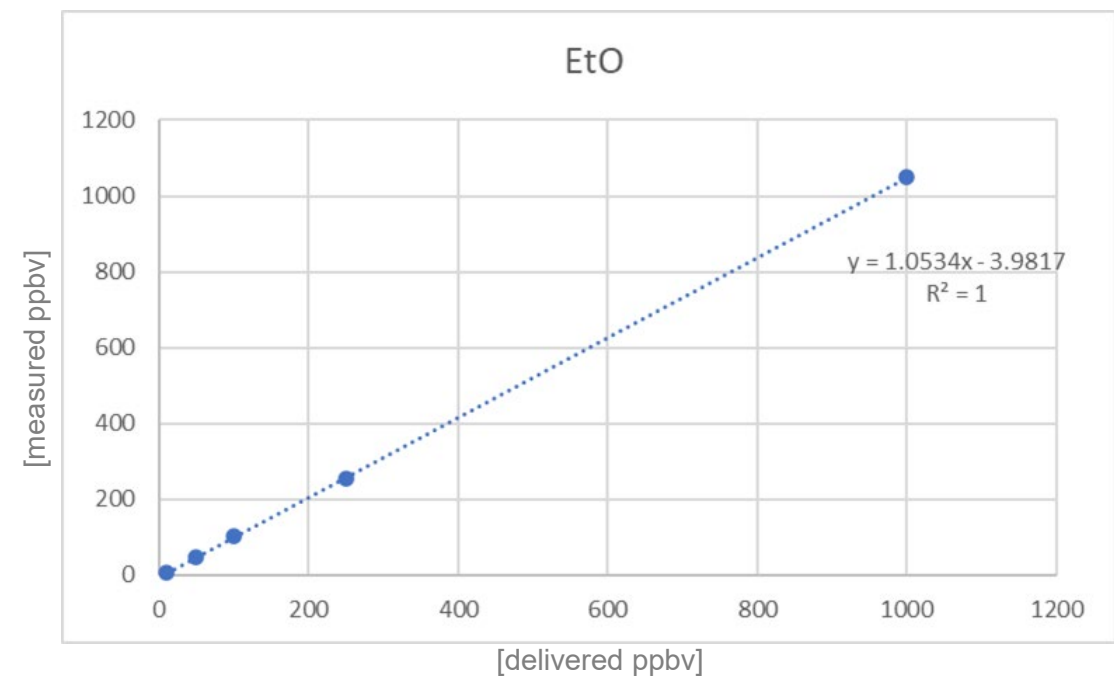
ETHYLENE OXIDE

Addressing key challenges using SIFT-MS



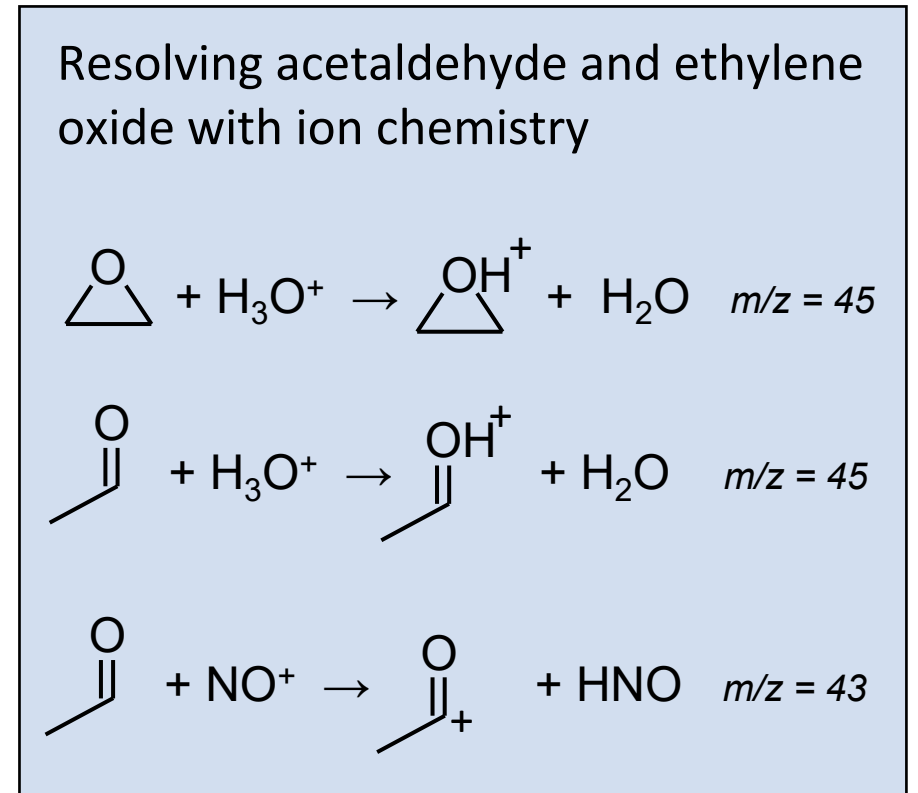
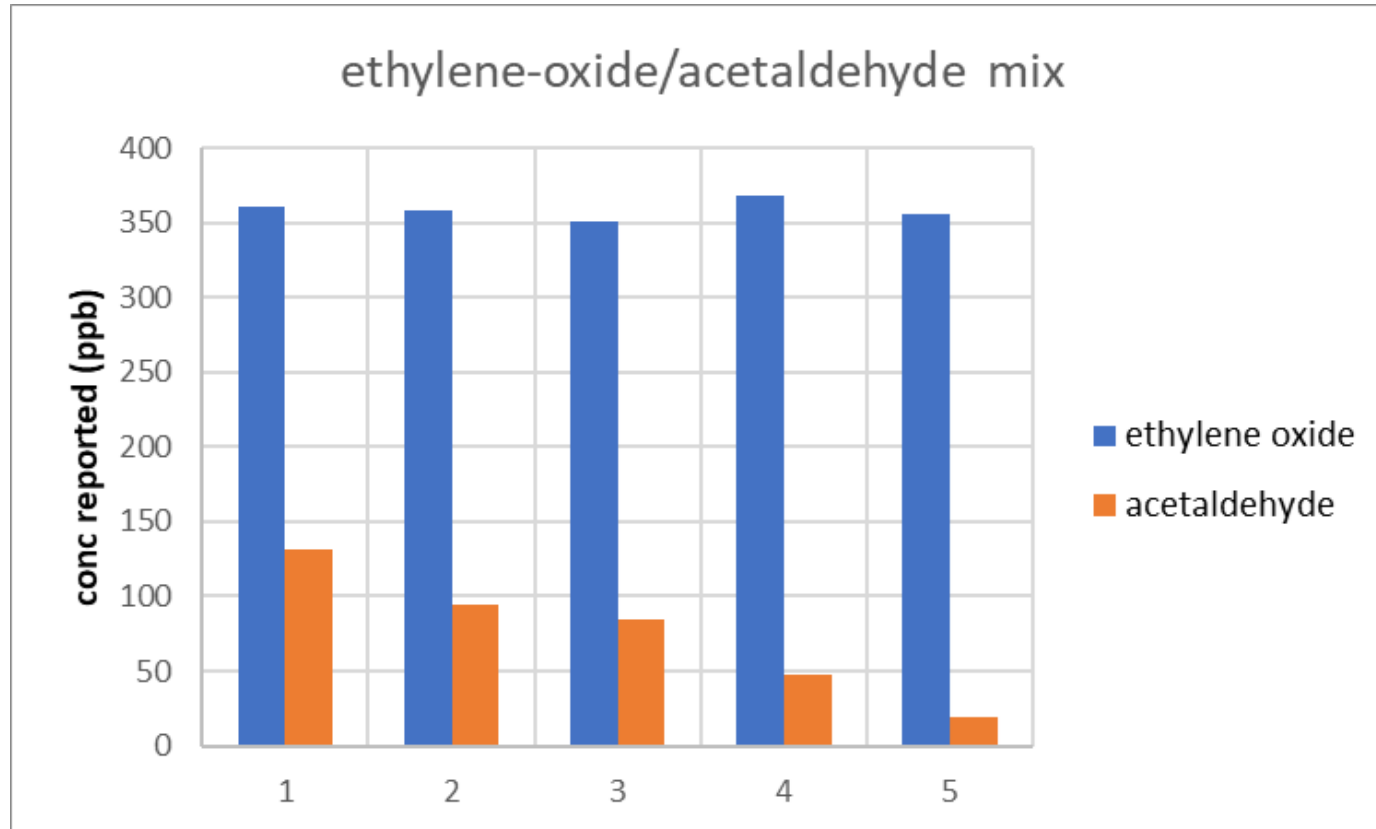
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Preliminary results from our mobile lab



Experiments are ongoing to determine **LODs** and **LOQs** in a mobile setting (Collaboration with Sonoma Tech)

CONSISTENT REPORTING OF EtO WITH VARIABLE ACETALDEHYDE





SUMMARY

Syft Technologies is a global, fast-growing company with a focus on building robust solutions for industry.

SIFT-MS has unique characteristics that make it well suited to air quality measurement. Most notably the selectivity that comes from multiple rapidly switchable reagent ions.

Syft instruments have a track record of robust performance in a mobile setting

The findings shown from our Clean Air Roadshow were generated in real-time with minimal method development or optimization.

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