

# Formation of Nanocluster Aerosols through Ozone Chemistry on Used Garments: Impact of Environmental Factors

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#### **Abstract**

The interaction between ozone and clothing worn by individuals has significant implications for indoor air quality and human health. When clothing is worn, it accumulates various compounds, including sweat, skin oils, and laundry detergents, which can react with ozone present in indoor environments. This interaction leads to the formation of nanocluster aerosols, submicron particles capable of penetrating deep into the respiratory system. Understanding the factors infuencing the formation of these aerosols is essential for mitigating potential health risks and improving indoor air quality. This article explores the process of m

e interaction between ozone and clothing materials worn by individuals has gained signi cant attention due to its implications for indoor air quality and human health. When clothing is worn, it accumulates various compounds, including sweat, skin oils, and laundry detergents, which can react with ozone present in indoor environments ese reactions result in the formation of nanocluster aerosols, which consist of submicron particles capable of penetrating deep into the respiratory system. Understanding the factors in uencing the formation of these aerosols is essential for mitigating potential health risks and improving indoor air quality [3,4]. is article explores the process of nanocluster aerosol formation through ozone chemistry on used garments and investigates the impact of environmental factors on this phenomenon. e quality of indoor air is of paramount importance for human health and well-being, given that people spend a signi cant portion of their time indoors. One o en overlooked aspect of indoor air quality is the interaction between ozone and clothing materials worn by individuals [5]. Ozone, a reactive oxygen species, can react with various organic compounds present on the surface of used garments, leading to the formation of nanocluster aerosols [6,7].

ese aerosols, consisting of submicron particles, have the potential to penetrate deep into the respiratory system, posing health risks to occupants of indoor environments. e process of nanocluster aerosol formation through ozone chemistry on used garments is in uenced by a variety of environmental factors [8]. ese factors include indoor ozone concentrations, temperature, humidity, air ow patterns, and the composition of clothing materials. Understanding the impact of these environmental parameters on aerosol formation is crucial for assessing indoor air quality and developing e ective strategies to mitigate potential health risks. In this introduction, we will delve into the mechanisms underlying the formation of nanocluster aerosols through ozone chemistry on used garments [9]. We will also explore the role of environmental factors in in uencing this phenomenon, highlighting the importance of interdisciplinary research in addressing indoor air quality challenges. By elucidating the complex interplay between ozone, clothing materials, and environmental conditions, we can better understand the implications for human health and develop targeted interventions to ensure healthier indoor environments [10].

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Ozone, a reactive oxygen species, can react with organic compounds present on clothing surfaces through a series of complex chemical reactions. ese reactions typically involve the oxidation of unsaturated hydrocarbons, aldehydes, and other volatile organic compounds (VOCs) present in sweat, skin oils, and laundry residues. As ozone interacts with these compounds, it undergoes partial reduction to form reactive oxygen species such as hydroxyl radicals, which further react with surrounding molecules to produce secondary aerosols.

### Mechani m of nanocls. er aero ol formation

e formation of nanocluster aerosols through ozone chemistry on clothing materials involves several key steps:

Ad orp ion: Ozone molecules adsorb onto the surface of clothing materials, where they come into contact with organic compounds.

Chemical reaction: Ozone reacts with organic compounds on the clothing surface, leading to the formation of reactive intermediates such as ozonides and peroxides.

Particle in cleation: Reactive intermediates undergo further reactions, resulting in the nucleation and growth of nanocluster aerosols.

Particle aggregation: Nanocluster aerosols coalesce and aggregate to form larger particles, which can be released into the surrounding air.

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