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# The sources and seasonal variations of the chemical components in the deposition samples in Kirklareli, Turkey

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Abstract: This study was carried out in the central district of Kirklareli province in Turkey. It presents the chemical composition of three deposition types, namely wet, bulk and dry. In this study, 150 deposition samples (wet + bulk + dry) were collected for a year in the urban and suburban areas in the central district of Kirklareli. The concentrations of the main cations (Ca<sup>2+</sup>, K<sup>+</sup>, Na<sup>+</sup>, Mg<sup>2+</sup>, NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>) and main anions (SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup>, Cl<sup>-</sup>, NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>) in the collected deposition samples were determined. The seasonal variations of the concentrations of the major ions in the three deposition types were studied. The wet and dry deposition fluxes of major ions were calculated. Among the major ions, the ion with the highest annual mean flux values in the wet deposition is  $Ca^{2+}$  in the urban area, while it is Cl<sup>-</sup> in the suburban area. In the wet deposition, the annual mean flux values of Ca<sup>2+</sup> in the urban area and Cl<sup>-</sup> in the suburban area were 65.40 and 38.09 mg m  $^{-2}$  h  $^{-1},$  respectively. The relationship between ion concentrations and acid deposition was also investigated and the sources of ions were determined. The arithmetic mean pH values of the samples in the urban and suburban areas were 6.39 and 6.14 in wet deposition, 6.75 and 6.41 in bulk deposition, and 7.36 and 6.56 in dry deposition, respectively. The backward trajectories arriving at the region during the study period were divided into two groups. In the first cyclone group, SO42- was to 97 % of anthropogenic origin in both the urban and suburban areas.

*Keywords*: ion concentration; deposition flux; trajectory analysis; enrichment factor.

### INTRODUCTION

Air pollution has become a global problem due to the emissions of anthropogenic pollutants into the atmosphere.<sup>1,2</sup> Air pollution is often thought of as a distinguishing characteristic of industrial and urban centers. There are certain pro-



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cesses that affect the life of the particles in the atmosphere. The residence time of the particles in the lower atmosphere can range from a few days to a week. The main mechanism for the effective removal of particles that are very close to the ground is settling on surfaces, although rainout and washout are superior removal mechanisms at altitudes above approximately one hundred meters.<sup>1</sup> Natural processes, such as the scavenging of materials by cloud and fog drops, snow and rain, are known as wet deposition (WD).<sup>3</sup> Dry deposition (DD), which involves the direct collection of airborne particles and gases in the solid and liquid surfaces of the earth and vegetation, is a much slower and continuous process than wet deposition.<sup>4</sup> Bulk deposition (BD) is the sum of wet deposition and dry deposition. Contamination of soil and water is the result of not only wet deposition but also dry deposition.<sup>5</sup> In fact, bulk deposition studies may be more meaningful in determining the chemistry of natural deposition, as the natural process does not distinguish between wet and dry deposition.<sup>6</sup> Variations between the concentrations of chemical components in wet, bulk, and dry deposition and their effects on acid deposition and changes according to atmospheric conditions have been the subjects of many studies.

The sampling of wet, bulk, and dry deposition was performed between September 2010 and September 2011 in the urban and suburban areas in the central district of Kirklareli (Turkey). Estimations of the enrichment factor (EF) and non-sea salt (NSS) were performed to identify the ion sources in the three deposition types. The pH values of samples in the three deposition types were compared and the factors affecting acidity were discussed. The difference between wet and dry deposition rates was calculated. For the three deposition types, the difference between the urban and suburban areas was revealed, and the effect of long-range transport on wet deposition was investigated. In the study performed by Oruc<sup>7</sup> in Kirklareli, it was stated that all the dry deposition samples collected from two stations (Central District and Kaynarca Town) were alkaline. In both sampling stations, it was stated that the dominant cation was Ca2+ and the dominant anion was  $SO_4^{2-}$ . It was stated that the mean concentration values of  $Ca^{2+}$  in Central District and Kaynarca Town were 4.37 and 4.81 mg L<sup>-1</sup>, respectively, and the mean concentration values of  $SO_4^{2-}$  were 6.33 and 6.12 mg L<sup>-1</sup>, respectively.<sup>7</sup> In the study conducted by Oruc et al.,<sup>8</sup> wet deposition sampling was carried out in the cross-border region between Bulgaria and Turkey. It was stated that the percentage distributions of the SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup>, Cl<sup>-</sup>, NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>, Ca<sup>2+</sup>, NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>, K<sup>+</sup>, Na<sup>+</sup> and Mg<sup>2+</sup> concentrations in the wet deposition samples collected in the Turkish sites (Kirklareli and Kaynarca) were 45.68, 13.99, 3.21, 12.06, 11.00, 8.00, 4.64 and 1.07 %, respectively. In addition, it was stated that the percentage distributions of the concentrations of these ions in the wet deposition samples collected in the Bulgarian sites (Burgas and Ahtopol) were 19.46, 39.01, 14.14, 11.92, 1.39, 3.27, 2.64 and 8.17 %, respectively. As a whole, samples of the wet

deposition in the study region and period have been reported to be characterized by high Cl<sup>-</sup> and SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup>, as well as Ca<sup>2+</sup> concentration and alkaline pH values.<sup>8</sup> In another study conducted in Kirklareli, it was stated that the mean concentration values of Ca<sup>2+</sup>, K<sup>+</sup>, Mg<sup>2+</sup>, NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>, Na<sup>+</sup>, SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup>, Cl<sup>-</sup> and NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> were found to be higher in bulk deposition samples than that in the wet deposition samples. The relative contribution of dry deposition to bulk deposition for Ca<sup>2+</sup>, K<sup>+</sup>, Mg<sup>2+</sup>, NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>, Na<sup>+</sup>, SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup>, Cl<sup>-</sup> and NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> were reported to be 23.27, 15.75, 14.90, 13.68, 10.52, 10.20, 6.69 and 4.99 %, respectively.<sup>9</sup> The novelty of this study, which was conducted in Kirklareli (Turkey), is that it covers the chemical evaluation of three atmospheric sampling types collected – wet, bulk, and dry deposition. The data obtained and the sampling period provide an opportunity to understand the air pollution dynamics.

#### EXPERIMENTAL

# Details related to sampling areas are given in Supplementary material to this paper.

### Deposition sampling and analysis

During the sampling period, a total of 150 deposition samples were collected including 54 wet depositions (27 urban and 27 suburban areas), 48 bulk depositions (24 urban and 24 suburban areas), and 48 dry depositions (24 urban and 24 suburban areas). The concentrations of major ions (Ca<sup>2+</sup>, K<sup>+</sup>, Na<sup>+</sup>, Mg<sup>2+</sup>, NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>, SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup>, Cl<sup>-</sup>, NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>) and the pH values in the wet, bulk, and dry deposition samples were determined. The hybrid single-particle Lagrangian integrated trajectory (HYSPLIT) model was run to determine the backward trajectories of the air masses,<sup>11,12</sup> and Sat24 satellite images were examined to observe the movements of air masses.<sup>13</sup> For the temperature values, the data obtained from Kirklareli Atatürk soil, Water and Agricultural Meteorology Research Institute Directorate, were used. Only the wet and dry deposition sampling in the summer season was performed with an automatic wet/dry deposition device. During the sampling period, all other samplings were carried out manually. For this purpose, polyethylene funnels having 23 cm diameter and containers were used in the samples. Containers and funnels were mounted 180 cm above the ground. This height is necessary to avoid mixing dust on the ground. In wet deposition sampling, clean sampling containers were placed at sampling stations in the urban and suburban areas just before precipitation and the samples were transferred to bottles and stored for analysis at the end of precipitation. pH measurements of the samples were performed immediately at the sampling sites. In the bulk deposition sampling, after precipitation, clean funnels and containers were kept open to the atmosphere until the next precipitation event. At the end of the precipitation, the samples were transferred to bottles. Dry deposition sampling was carried out in 15-day periods. The containers and funnels were placed in an arbor with a high roof, without walls. In this way, contamination of the sampler was minimized. The sampling bowl was washed with 1 L of deionized water at the end of 15 days. The wash-water was transferred to bottles for analysis. The same storage and analysis procedure applied in wet deposition was applied to bulk and dry deposition samples. Funnels and sampling containers were rinsed with deionized water before starting the sampling, then soaked in nitric acid (5 %) and then rinsed with deionized water and dried. The samples were stored in pre-cleaned polyethylene bottles in a refrigerator at 4 °C before the chemical analysis.<sup>6,14-18</sup> An Orion Aplus Portable pH and ISE meter device was used for pH measurement. The pH meter was calibrated using standard pH 4.00 and 7.00 buffer solutions before each measurement. A Shimadzu UV-1601 spectrophotometer for  $NH_4^+$ ,  $SO_4^{2-}$  and  $NO_3^-$  analysis and a Jenway flame photometer (Clinical PFP7) device for  $Na^+$  and  $K^+$  analysis were used.  $Ca^{2+}$ ,  $Mg^{2+}$  and  $Cl^-$  analysis were performed by titration.<sup>19</sup>

#### Ion sources

The enrichment factor (*EF*), one of the methods used to classify natural or anthropogenic sources of the pollutants was calculated as: $^{8,18,20-23}$ 

$$EF = \frac{(X/c)_{\text{precipitation}}}{(X/c)_{\text{reference material}}}$$
(1)

While calculating the enrichment factors of ions in the deposition samples according to the sea, Na<sup>+</sup> was chosen as the reference element and the concentration values of ions in seawater were used.<sup>24</sup> (X/c)<sub>precipitation</sub> is the ratio of the concentration of interested ion to the concentration of reference ion (Na<sub>+</sub>) in the precipitation samples and (X/c)<sub>reference material</sub> is the ratio of the concentration of interested ion to the concentration of reference ion (Na<sub>+</sub>) in the precipitation of reference ion (Na<sup>+</sup>) in the seawater. While enrichment factor values close to 1 indicate predominantly marine source, enrichment factor values higher than 1 indicate an enrichment compared to the seawater.<sup>21</sup>

$$c_{\rm NSS} = \text{Total } X_{\rm p} - c_{\rm p}(X_{\rm n}/c_{\rm r})$$
<sup>(2)</sup>

where X and c represent the concentration of the respective ion and the reference ion respectively, p and r represent ions in precipitation and ions in the reference material, respectively. The ratio of non-sea salt concentration to total concentration is the non-sea salt fraction (NSSF).<sup>8,18</sup>

The wet deposition flux  $(F_w / \text{mg m}^{-2} \text{ h}^{-1})$  of any chemical component in a rain event is expressed by:<sup>25</sup>

$$F_{\rm w} = c_{\rm i} P_{\rm i} \tag{3}$$

where,  $c_i$ , is the concentration of the said chemical component in the precipitation (mg L<sup>-1</sup>), and  $P_i$  is the rain intensity (mm h<sup>-1</sup>).

Dry deposition flux  $(F_d / \text{mg m}^{-2} \text{ h}^{-1})$  is acquired using as:<sup>26</sup>

$$F_{\rm d} = \frac{c\Delta V}{A\Delta\tau} \tag{4}$$

where,  $c / \text{mg m}^{-3}$  is the concentration (rinsing water included),  $\Delta V / \text{m}^{3}$  is volume (rinsing water included),  $A / \text{m}^{2}$  is the surface area, and  $\Delta \tau / \text{h}$  is the sampling period.

#### RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

### Seasonal variations of deposition samples

In the wet deposition, it was found that  $Ca^{2+}$  has the highest seasonal volume-weighted mean (*VWM*) concentration values among ions in autumn, both in the urban and suburban areas. The *VWM* concentrations of  $Ca^{2+}$  in autumn were 7.87 and 5.11 mg L<sup>-1</sup> in the urban and suburban areas, respectively. Among all ions in wet deposition, it was observed that  $SO_4^{2-}$  had the highest seasonal *VWM* concentration (8.62 mg L<sup>-1</sup>) in winter in the urban area. The *VWM* concentration of  $SO_4^{2-}$  in this season was 3.74 mg L<sup>-1</sup> in the suburban area. The seasonal *VWM* concentration values of Na<sup>+</sup> in wet deposition in all four seasons were found to be higher in the urban area than in the suburban area. In the bulk

deposition, the *VWM* concentration values of Cl<sup>-</sup> in autumn in the urban and suburban areas were 7.57 and 5.12 mg L<sup>-1</sup>, respectively. The seasonal *VWM* concentration values of Ca<sup>2+</sup> and Mg<sup>2+</sup> in the bulk deposition were higher in the urban area than in the suburban area in all four seasons. The *VWM* concentrations of K<sup>+</sup> were 1.23 and 1.19 mg L<sup>-1</sup> in autumn in the urban and suburban areas, respectively. In the bulk deposition, anions other than Cl<sup>-</sup> were found to have higher seasonal *VWM* concentration values in the urban area than in the suburban area in all four seasons. In the dry deposition, it was observed that Cl<sup>-</sup> had the highest seasonal *VWM* concentration value among ions in summer both in the urban and suburban areas. It was observed that seasonal *VWM* concentration values of Ca<sup>2+</sup> were higher than the other cations in the dry deposition both in the urban and suburban areas in four seasons (Fig. 1). It has been stated that calcium is abundant in the soil in the form of CaCO<sub>3</sub> and can be mixed into the tropo-



Fig. 1. Seasonal distribution of *VWM* concentrations of major cations in: a) wet, b) bulk and c) dry deposition and major anions in: d) wet, e) bulk and f) dry deposition.

sphere as a result of wind erosion.<sup>8,18,27</sup> Okay *et al.*<sup>27</sup> stated that generally continental air masses and storms can increase the deposition rates of calcium, ammonium, and potassium cations in the autumn and winter seasons.

Although no significant change was observed in the mean concentration of  $NO_3^-$  at air temperatures up to 20 °C, however, a decrease was observed in the mean concentration of this ion at 20 °C and higher air temperatures. Although the  $NO_3^-$  originated from the combustion of low-efficiency fossil fuels and biomass burning, another important source of this ion was motor land vehicles. It was clearly seen that as the air temperature increases, the mean concentration of  $SO_4^{2-}$  decreases (Fig. 2). The relationship of sulfate to temperature originates indirectly from emissions that were higher during the colder seasons. The ratio of the mean concentration of  $SO_4^{2-}$  in precipitations that took place on days with air temperature above 20 °C to the mean concentration of  $SO_4^{2-}$  in precipitations of  $SO_4^{2-}$  in precipitations of  $SO_4^{2-}$  in precipitations on days with air temperatures lower than 10 °C is 5.89 and 19.65 %, respectively, in the urban and suburban areas. It was understood that the main reason for the high sulphate ratio on cold days was  $SO_2$  emission resulting from industry as well as domestic heating. No direct relations of other ions to the air temperature were observed.



Fig. 2. Distribution of arithmetic mean concentrations of: a) major cations and b) major anions in the wet deposition by temperature ranges.

It was observed that the mean concentration of  $SO_4^{2-}$  measured in the suburban area at air temperatures above 20 °C was higher than that in the urban area. Assuming that there were no domestic origin of  $SO_4^{2-}$  in this temperature range, it could be concluded that the industrial sourced  $SO_2$  emission is higher in the suburban area compared to the urban area. Anatolaki and Tsitouridou,<sup>28</sup> in their study showed that the gas and particle phase sulfur species have the highest concentration among all ions, and they found high  $SO_2$  concentration in cold months.

### Wet and dry deposition fluxes

In wet deposition, the annual mean flux values of K<sup>+</sup>, Na<sup>+</sup>, Ca<sup>2+</sup>, Mg<sup>2+</sup>, NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>, Cl<sup>-</sup>, NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>, SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup> were calculated as 8.80, 15.87, 65.40, 20.29, 9.04,

60.86, 40.87 and 31.88 mg m<sup>-2</sup> h<sup>-1</sup> in the urban area, and as 12.05, 8.52, 35.57, 13.05, 8.44, 38.09, 26.30 and 18.33 mg m<sup>-2</sup> h<sup>-1</sup> in the suburban area, respectively. In dry deposition, the annual mean flux values of these ions were calculated 0.06, 0.07, 0.77, 0.15, 0.07, 0.90, 0.38 and 0.40 mg m<sup>-2</sup> h<sup>-1</sup> in the urban area, and as 0.07, 0.08, 0.71, 0.14, 0.08, 0.92, 0.41 and 0.35 mg m<sup>-2</sup> h<sup>-1</sup> in the suburban area, respectively (Fig. 3).



In general, the least difference between ion fluxes in the urban and suburban areas in wet and bulk deposition was observed for ions in the dry deposition. Especially for  $Ca^{2+}$  contained in coarse particles, the difference in wet deposition was higher than for other ions. Coarse particles containing large amounts of  $Ca^{2+}$ ,  $K^+$  and  $Mg^{2+}$  have a higher dry deposition rate than fine particles.<sup>18</sup> In the wet deposition, it was observed that all ions except  $K^+$  had a higher deposition rate in the urban area than in the suburban area. However, it was calculated that the difference in the rate of deposition decreases in the dry deposition in the urban and suburban areas and that  $K^+$ ,  $Na^+$ ,  $Cl^-$ ,  $NH_4^+$  and  $NO_3^-$  have a higher deposition rate in the suburban area.

### Acid deposition

The arithmetic mean pH values of the samples in wet, bulk, and dry deposition were 6.39, 6.75, and 7.36 in the urban area, and 6.14, 6.41, and 6.56 in the suburban area, respectively. Minimum and maximum pH values of the samples were 5.35 and 7.16 in wet deposition, 5.87 and 7.41 in bulk deposition, 5.60 and 8.56 in dry deposition, in the urban area; and 5.25 and 7.25 in wet deposition, 5.6 are in the acid range and 7.52 in bulk deposition, 5.73 and 7.88 in dry deposition, in the suburban area, 6respectively. The pH values of samples in the wet deposition of the highest frequency value (37.03 %) in the urban area are between 6.50–7.00. In the suburban area, the pH values between 6.0 and 6.5 are of the highest frequency value (55.56 %), Fig. 4.

It can be said that as a result of the conversion of SO<sub>2</sub> originating from fossil fuels used for heating in cold months to  $SO_4^{2-}$  in the rain, relatively more acidic precipitation occurs in these months. Praveen *et al.* (2007) reported that the rainwater samples were acidic in the winter monsoon and alkaline in the summer

monsoon.<sup>29</sup> Anatolaki and Tsitouridou<sup>30</sup> stated that 67 % of rain acidity was caused by sulfuric acid and 33 % by nitric acid. It was determined that the pH values of bulk deposition samples with the highest frequency value vary between 6.5 and 7.0 in the urban area and 6.0 and 6.5 in the suburban area. The pH values of dry deposition samples with the highest frequency value were higher than 7.0 in the urban area, while they had values varying between 6.0 and 6.5, and 6.5 and 7.0, in the suburban area. It could be said that the reason why the bulk and dry deposition samples are relatively alkaline compared to the wet deposition samples is due to more soil-borne particles collected in the sampler as a result of the bulk and dry deposition. These particles contain alkalinity-causing compounds such as  $Ca^{2+}$ ,  $K^+$  and  $Mg^{2+}$  compared to sulfate-containing fine particles formed as a result of gas-to-particle transformation and settle faster as compared to acidic fine particles.<sup>18</sup>



Fig. 4. Frequency distribution of pH values in the urban and suburban areas in: a) wet, b) bulk and c) dry deposition.

### Determination of ion sources

In the wet and bulk deposition, the annual *NSS-VWM* concentrations of K<sup>+</sup>,  $Ca^{2+}$ ,  $Mg^{2+}$ ,  $Cl^-$  and  $SO_4^{2-}$  in the urban area were found to have higher values than the annual NSS-*VWM* concentrations of these ions in the suburban area. The annual NSS-*VWM* concentration values in the urban area of ions other than K<sup>+</sup> and Cl<sup>-</sup> in the dry deposition were higher than the annual NSS-*VWM* concentration values in the suburban area. In the wet and bulk deposition, it has been observed that  $Ca^{2+}$  had the highest annual NSS-*VWM* concentration values in the urban areas. In the dry deposition, Cl<sup>-</sup> was found to have the highest annual *NSS-VWM* concentration areas (Fig. 5).



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It was observed that  $Ca^{2+}$  has the highest values in the seasonal mean *EF* values among ions in all four seasons in both the urban and suburban areas in the three deposition types (Fig. 6). In the three deposition types,  $SO_4^{2-}$  was found to have lower *NSSF* values in the suburban area compared to the urban area. The main source of  $Ca^{2+}$  was soil by 100 and 99 %, respectively in the bulk deposition both in the urban and suburban areas. The main source of  $K^+$ , as in the wet



Fig. 6. Seasonal arithmetic means of enrichment factors of ions in the urban area in: a) wet, b) bulk and c) dry deposition, and the suburban area in: d) wet, e) bulk and f) dry deposition.

deposition, was soil. It was determined that the lowest anthropogenic contribution to the SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2–</sup> concentration in bulk deposition occurred in the summer period. In the dry deposition in both areas, the K<sup>+</sup> was soil-borne as in the wet and bulk deposition. Mg<sup>2+</sup> originated from non-sea in the proportion of 93 and 92 % in the dry deposition in the urban and suburban areas, respectively. In dry deposition in both the urban and suburban areas, 79 and 80 % of Cl<sup>-</sup> originated from non-sea, respectively. Wang and Han<sup>31</sup> stated that SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2–</sup>, NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>, NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> and Ca<sup>2+</sup> are mostly of anthropogenic origin and K<sup>+</sup>, Mg<sup>2+</sup> and partially Ca<sup>2+</sup> are mostly of mineral origin. Teixeira *et al.*<sup>32</sup> explained that Cl<sup>-</sup>, Na<sup>+</sup> and Mg<sup>2+</sup> in wet deposition are of marine origin, and SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2–</sup>, NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>, NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> and F<sup>-</sup> are of anthropogenic origin and half was of ocean origin, most of the Cl<sup>-</sup> and K<sup>+</sup> were of ocean origin, and most of the Ca<sup>2+</sup> was of crustal origin. They explained that human activities contribute most of the SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2–</sup> and NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>.

To evaluate the ion sources, Pearson's correlation coefficients between the analyzed species in the three deposition types in both urban and suburban areas were also examined. In wet deposition in the urban area, the correlation coefficients were found between K<sup>+</sup> and Na<sup>+</sup>, Na<sup>+</sup> and Cl<sup>-</sup>, Mg<sup>2+</sup> and Cl<sup>-</sup> as 0.459, 0.416, 0.510 respectively. The correlation coefficients between Na<sup>+</sup> and Cl<sup>-</sup>, Mg<sup>2+</sup> and Cl<sup>-</sup>, and K<sup>+</sup> and Mg<sup>2+</sup> in wet deposition in the suburban area were found to be 0.513, 0.698, and 0.517, respectively. The correlation coefficients between K<sup>+</sup> and Na<sup>+</sup>, Na<sup>+</sup> and Cl<sup>-</sup>, K<sup>+</sup> and Ca<sup>2+</sup>, Na<sup>+</sup> and Ca<sup>2+</sup>, and Ca<sup>2+</sup> and Cl- in bulk deposition in the urban area were found to be 0.453, 0.447, 0,444, 0,569, and 0.575, respectively. The correlation coefficients between Na<sup>+</sup> and Cl<sup>-</sup>, and Mg<sup>2+</sup> and Cl<sup>-</sup> were found to be 0.516 and 0.520, respectively, in the bulk deposition in the suburban area. The highest value of correlation coefficient in the three deposition types was determined for 0.742 between Na<sup>+</sup> and Cl<sup>-</sup> in the dry deposition in the urban area. In the dry deposition, the correlation coefficients between K<sup>+</sup> and Na<sup>+</sup>, Mg<sup>2+</sup> and Cl<sup>-</sup>, and Na<sup>+</sup> and Ca<sup>2+</sup> were found to be 0.445, 0.677, and 0.460, respectively, in the urban area, and 0.420, 0.544, and 0.671, respectively, in the suburban area. In addition, the correlation coefficients between Na<sup>+</sup> and Cl<sup>-</sup>, K<sup>+</sup> and Ca<sup>2+</sup>, and K<sup>+</sup> and Cl<sup>-</sup> in the dry deposition in the suburban area were found to be 0.693, 0.444, and 0.640, respectively. Low correlation coefficients were determined between other ions in the three deposition types in both the urban and suburban areas. Na<sup>+</sup> and Cl<sup>-</sup> indicate the sea-salt source.<sup>18,27</sup> The good correlation was observed between these two ions in all three deposition types in both the urban and suburban areas. Mg<sup>2+</sup> is partly of marine origin<sup>18,27</sup> and the highest correlation coefficient was observed between Mg<sup>2+</sup> and Cl<sup>-</sup> after the correlation coefficient between Na<sup>+</sup> and Cl<sup>-</sup> in the three deposition types in both the areas. The main source of K<sup>+</sup> and Ca<sup>2+</sup> is soil. The concentrations of these ions in sea salt are lower than Na<sup>+</sup>, Mg<sup>2+</sup> and Cl<sup>-.18,27</sup>

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Moderate correlation of  $K^+$  and  $Ca^{2+}$  indicates that the common source of these ions may be soil. The correlations of these ions with  $Cl^-$  and  $Na^+$  indicate that these ions may also be partially of marine origin.

## Comparison of precipitation in the urban and suburban areas by cyclone groups

The backward trajectories were determined using the HYSPLIT model,<sup>11,12</sup> and Sat24 satellite images have been studied to observe the movements of air masses.<sup>13</sup> In the HYSPLIT model, the backward trajectories were run by going back 72 h. Sat24 satellite images were obtained in 6-hour periods by going back 24 h. The backward trajectories were classified into two groups. The first group included trajectories arriving from the upper parts of the 42<sup>nd</sup> north latitude, while the second group includes the trajectories arriving from the lower parts of the 42<sup>nd</sup> north latitude. This separation was carried out according to the results of some studies conducted to determine the dominant cyclone groups.<sup>34</sup> During the one-year sampling period, 48 % of the total precipitation originated from the first cyclone group and 52 % from the second cyclone group. Okay et al.27 showed in their trajectory analysis that high sulphate and nitrate concentrations generally originate from northwest, central, and eastern Europe. Ion concentrations in precipitations were evaluated by comparing the outputs of the HYSPLIT model and Sat24 satellite images. In this evaluation, 27 HYSPLIT model outputs and 135 Sat24 satellite images were studied. In Fig. 7, two HYSPLIT model outputs are given to represent the separations carried out according to the cyclone groups of 09.10.2010 (originating from the first cyclone group) and 03.01.2011 (originating from the second cyclone group).



Fig. 7. HYSPLIT model backward trajectories on: a) 09.10.2010 and b) 03.01.2011.

All the precipitation in the summer was in the first cyclone group. The mean pH values of wet deposition in the first cyclone group in the urban and suburban

areas were 6.25 and 6.16, respectively. In the second cyclone group, it was 6.51 and 6.12 in the urban and suburban areas, respectively. In the wet deposition, the ratio of mean concentration and NSS concentration of SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup> in the first cyclone group to the mean concentration and NSS concentration of SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup> in the second cyclone group was higher by approximately 46 and 49 %, respectively, in the suburban area. In the wet deposition, the ratio of mean concentration and NSS concentration of Mg<sup>2+</sup> in the first cyclone group to the mean concentration and NSS concentration of Mg<sup>2+</sup> in the second cyclone group was higher by approximately 53 and 63 %, respectively, in the urban area. In the wet deposition, the ratio of mean concentration of Na<sup>+</sup> in the second cyclone group to that in Na<sup>+</sup> in the first cyclone group was higher by approximately 26 % in the urban area and higher by approximately 24 % in the suburban area. In the wet deposition, the ratio of the mean concentration and NSS concentration of  $K^+$  in the first cyclone group to the mean concentration and NSS concentration of K<sup>+</sup> in the second cyclone group was higher by approximately 13 and 15 %, respectively, in the urban area. In the wet deposition in the urban and suburban areas, the mean EF values of K<sup>+</sup>, Ca<sup>2+</sup>, Mg<sup>2+</sup>, Cl<sup>-</sup> and SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup> in the first cyclone group were higher than the *EF* values of K<sup>+</sup>, Ca<sup>2+</sup>, Mg<sup>2+</sup>, Cl<sup>-</sup> and SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup> in the second cyclone group. Ca<sup>2+</sup> originated from non-sea at the same proportion (100 %) in the first cyclone group and the same proportion (99 %) in the second cyclone group in both the urban and suburban areas. SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup> was of anthropogenic origin at the same ratio in both areas (97 %) in the first cyclone group, and 96 and 95 % in the urban and suburban areas in the second cyclone group, respectively.

## CONCLUSIONS

In this study, it was determined that  $Ca^{2+}$  has the highest seasonal VWM concentration values among cations in all three deposition types. Among anions, it was found that  $SO_4^{2-}$  in the wet deposition,  $NO_3^{-}$  in the bulk deposition, and Cl- in the dry deposition had the highest seasonal VWM concentration values. In the wet deposition, 3.7 % of the total precipitation was acidic in the urban area, while 11.1 % in the suburban area was acidic. In the wet deposition, all the acidic precipitation in the urban and suburban areas occurred during the colder months. In the wet deposition, it was determined that the highest anthropogenic contribution to the SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup> concentration occurred in the winter in the urban and suburban areas. In this period, the NSSF values of  $SO_4^{2-}$  in the urban and suburban areas were 98 and 99 %, respectively. In the urban and suburban areas, all the samples in bulk and dry deposition were alkaline. The annual VWM concentration values in the bulk deposition of all the ions except for  $SO_4^{2-}$  in the urban area and  $Mg^{2+}$  and  $NH_4^+$  in the suburban area were higher than the annual VWM concentration values in wet deposition. The annual VWM concentration values of K<sup>+</sup>, Na<sup>+</sup>, Ca<sup>2+</sup>, Mg<sup>2+</sup>, Cl<sup>-</sup>, NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> and NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> in the bulk deposition in the urban

area were found to be higher than wet deposition at values varying between 2–42 %. The annual *VWM* concentration values of K<sup>+</sup>, Na<sup>+</sup>, Ca<sup>2+</sup>, Cl<sup>-</sup>, NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> and SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup> in the bulk deposition in the suburban area were found to be higher at values varying between 26–49 % in the wet deposition.

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#### ИЗВОД

### ИЗВОРИ И СЕЗОНСКЕ ВАРИЈАЦИЈЕ ХЕМИЈСКИХ КОМПОНЕНТИ У УЗОРЦИМА ТАЛОЖЕЊА У ОКРУГУ KIRKLARELI, ТУРСКА

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Ова студија је спроведена у централном округу провинције Kirklareli у Турској. Односи се на хемијски састав три типа таложења: мокро, укупно и суво. У овој студији, 150 узорака таложења (мокри + укупни + суви) прикупљено у периоду од годину дана у урбаним и приградским подручјима провинције Kirklareli. У прикупљеним узорцима одређене су концентрације главних катјона ( $Ca^{2+}$ ,  $K^+$ ,  $Na^+$ ,  $Mg^{2+}$ ,  $NH_4^+$ ) и главних анјона ( $SO_4^{2-}$ ,  $CI^-$ ,  $NO^{3-}$ ). Проучаване су сезонске варијације концентрација јона у три типа таложења. Израчунати су токови влажног и сувог таложења главних јона. Међу главним јонима, јон са највишим годишњим средњим вредностима флукса у влажном таложењу је јон  $Ca^{2+}$  у урбаном подручју, док је  $CI^-$  у приградском подручју. Код влажног таложења, средње годишње вредности флукса  $Ca^{2+}$  у урбаном подручју и  $CI^-$  у приградском подручју су 65,40 и 38,09 mg m<sup>-2</sup> h<sup>-1</sup>, редом. Такође је испитан однос између концентрација јона и киселог таложења и утврђени су извори јона. Средње аритметичке pH вредности узорака у градским и приградским насељима биле су 6,39 и 6,14 у мокром таложењу, 6,75 и 6,41 у укупном таложењу и 7,36 и 6,56 у сувом таложењу, редом. Повратне путање које су стизале у регион током периода истраживања подељене су у две групе. У првој групи циклона,  $SO_4^{2^-}$  је био 97 % антропогеног порекла, како у градским тако и у приградским подручјима.

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