

ADDITIONAL FILE 1

Ambient PM<sub>2.5</sub> and Risk of Emergency Room Visits for Myocardial Infarction:  
Impact of Regional PM<sub>2.5</sub> Oxidative Potential: A Case-Crossover Study

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## Supplemental Tables

Table S1. Descriptive statistics for myocardial infarction cases in Ontario, Canada (2004-2011)

Location	No. Cases	% Male	Mean Age (SD) (years)
All Sites Combined	30,101	64	67.5 (15)
Barrie	80		
Burlington	1593		
Chatham	736		
Cornwall	1006		
Guelph	394		
Hamilton-Downtown	1065		
Hamilton-Mountain	1117		
Hamilton-West	168		
Kingston	1109		
Kitchener	4803		
Mississauga	1578		
Oshawa	347		
Peterborough	2081		
Sarnia	494		
St Catherines	1393		
Sudbury	1566		
Thunder Bay	662		
Toronto-Downtown	3029		
Toronto-East	5027		
Toronto-North	1853		

Table S2. Daily concentrations of ambient air pollutants in Ontario (2004-2011)

Air Pollutant	Mean (SD)	Median (IQR)	Range
PM <sub>2.5</sub> (µg/m <sup>3</sup> )	6.91 (5.97)	5.12 (5.75)	<1- 56.8
PM <sub>2.5</sub> *GSH (% Depletion/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.10 (1.19)	0.71 (1.01)	<1-15.7
PM <sub>2.5</sub> *AA (% Depletion/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.63 (1.51)	1.17 (1.38)	<1-18.0
NO <sub>2</sub> (ppb)	12.3 (7.63)	10.8 (10.3)	<1- 65
O <sub>3</sub> (ppb)	25.7 (10.3)	25.1 (14.2)	<1 – 79.5
O <sub>x</sub> (ppb)	38.0 (10)	37.2 (13)	9.6-88
O <sub>x</sub> <sup>wt</sup> (ppb)	21.2 (6.3)	20.7 (8.6)	4.5-54
Temperature (°C)	8.05 (10.4)	8.60 (16.8)	-29 – 31.5
Relative Humidity (%)	74.3 (11.9)	75.0 (16.4)	27-100

PM<sub>2.5</sub>\*GSH, glutathione-related oxidative burden; PM<sub>2.5</sub>\*AA, ascorbate-related oxidative burden; O<sub>x</sub>, sum of NO<sub>2</sub> and O<sub>3</sub>; O<sub>x</sub><sup>wt</sup>, redox-weighted average of NO<sub>2</sub> and O<sub>3</sub>; IQR, inter-quartile range.

Table S3. Percent change in risk of emergency room visits for myocardial infarction with PM<sub>2.5</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> oxidative burden in Ontario, Canada (2004-2011)

Outcome	Lag	Exposure		
		PM <sub>2.5</sub> % Change (95% CI)	PM <sub>2.5</sub> *GSH % Change (95% CI)	PM <sub>2.5</sub> *AA % Change (95% CI)
Myocardial Infarction	0	1.5 (-0.10, 3.1)	2.6 (1.1, 4.1)	1.3 (0.1, 2.6)
	1	0.90 (-0.005, 2.3)	1.5 (0.0, 3.2)	0.70 (-0.005, 1.9)
	2	0.30 (-0.01, 1.6)	0.30 (-0.012, 1.8)	0.30 (-0.010, 1.6)
	3-day mean	1.7 (-0.006, 4.1)	2.6 (0.2, 5.0)	1.5 (-0.006, 3.6)

Risk estimates reflect a 5 µg/m<sup>3</sup> change in PM<sub>2.5</sub> and a 1-unit change in PM<sub>2.5</sub>\*GSH and PM<sub>2.5</sub>\*AA. All models are adjusted for 3-day mean ambient temperature and relative humidity (cubic splines).

Table S4. Percent change in risk of emergency room visits for myocardial infarction associated with 3-day mean NO<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>3</sub>, and O<sub>x</sub> Ontario, Canada (2004-2011).

Models	Percent Change (95% CI)	Adjusted for Lag-0 PM <sub>2.5</sub>	Adjusted for Lag-0 PM <sub>2.5</sub> *GSH
		Percent Change (95% CI)	Percent Change (95% CI)
<i>Single Pollutant Models</i>			
NO <sub>2</sub>	4.4 (-0.30, 9.2)	3.7 (-0.70, 8.4)	2.8 (-1.6, 7.3)
O <sub>3</sub>	2.2 (-0.80, 5.2)	1.3 (-1.8, 4.6)	1.2 (-1.9, 4.4)
<i>Two Pollutant Models</i>			
NO <sub>2</sub>	6.0 (1.1, 11)	5.7 (0.64, 11)	4.2 (-0.50, 9.1)
O <sub>3</sub>	3.9 (0.94, 7.0)	3.2 (-0.020, 6.9)	2.6 (-0.70, 5.9)
<i>Combined Oxidant Model</i>			
O <sub>x</sub>	4.7 (1.9, 7.6)	3.9 (0.65, 7.3)	3.1 (0.15, 6.1)
O <sub>x</sub> -weighted	6.6 (2.2, 11)	4.7 (-0.60, 10)	3.9 (-0.01, 9.0)

AIC, Akaike Information Criterion; O<sub>x</sub>, sum of NO<sub>2</sub> and O<sub>3</sub>; O<sub>x</sub><sup>wt</sup>, redox-weighted average of NO<sub>2</sub> and O<sub>3</sub>. All risk estimates reflect a 10 ppb change in exposure. All models are adjusted for 3-day mean ambient temperature and relative humidity (cubic splines).

Table S5. Percent change in risk of emergency room visits for myocardial infarction with lag-0 PM<sub>2.5</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> oxidative burden in Ontario, Canada (2004-2011): evaluation of effect modification by gender

Exposure	Gender	Percent Change (95% CI)
PM <sub>2.5</sub>	Overall	1.5 (-0.10, 3.1)
	Men	2.1 (-0.10, 4.4)
	Women	0.41 (-2.0, 3.2)
		p=0.350
PM <sub>2.5</sub> *GSH	Overall	2.6 (1.1, 4.1)
	Men	3.6 (1.2, 5.9)
	Women	0.93 (-2.0, 4.3)
		p=0.385
PM <sub>2.5</sub> *AA	Overall	1.3 (0.10, 2.6)
	Men	1.9 (0.12, 3.7)
	Women	0.41 (-2.0, 2.5)
		p=0.455

Risk estimates reflect a 5 µg/m<sup>3</sup> change in PM<sub>2.5</sub> and a 1-unit change in PM<sub>2.5</sub>\*GSH and PM<sub>2.5</sub>\*AA. All models are adjusted for 3-day mean ambient temperature and relative humidity (cubic splines).

Table S6. Percent change in risk of emergency room visits for myocardial infarction with PM<sub>2.5</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> oxidative burden in Ontario, Canada (2004-2011): evaluation of effect modification by age

Outcome	Exposure Lag	Age (years)	Exposure		
			PM <sub>2.5</sub> % Change (95% CI)	PM <sub>2.5</sub> *GSH % Change (95% CI)	PM <sub>2.5</sub> *AA % Change (95% CI)
Myocardial Infarction	Lag-0	All	1.5 (-0.10, 3.1)	2.6 (1.1, 4.1)	1.3 (0.1, 2.6)
		<56	3.3 (0.61, 6.1)	4.5 (1.3, 7.9)	3.3 (0.81, 5.8)
		57-68	0.28 (-3.1, 3.7)	1.8 (-1.1, 4.8)	0.31 (-2.6, 3.3)
		69-79	1.9 (-1.2, 5.1)	3.4 (-0.4, 7.4)	1.7 (-0.70, 4.0)
		>79	0.79 (-1.6, 3.2)	1.1 (-1.9, 4.1)	0.51 (-1.3, 2.3)
		p=0.664	p=0.448	p=0.404	

Risk estimates reflect a 5 µg/m<sup>3</sup> change in PM<sub>2.5</sub> and a 1-unit change in PM<sub>2.5</sub>\*GSH and PM<sub>2.5</sub>\*AA. All models are adjusted for 3-day mean ambient temperature and relative humidity (cubic splines).

Table S7. Percent change in risk of emergency room visits for myocardial infarction associated with Lag-0 PM<sub>2.5</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> oxidative burden in Ontario, Canada (2004-2011) with sensitivity analyses including additional adjustment for 3-day mean ambient NO<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>3</sub>, O<sub>x</sub>, or O<sub>x</sub><sup>wt</sup>

Exposure	Covariate added	Percent Change (95% CI)
PM <sub>2.5</sub>	Base model	1.5 (-0.10, 3.1)
	NO <sub>2</sub>	0.8 (-0.60, 2.1)
	O <sub>3</sub>	1.4 (-0.20, 3.0)
	NO <sub>2</sub> and O <sub>3</sub>	0.29 (-1.3, 1.9)
	O <sub>x</sub>	0.59 (-1.2, 2.4)
	O <sub>x</sub> <sup>wt</sup>	1.1 (-0.7, 2.8)
PM <sub>2.5</sub> *GSH	Base model	2.6 (1.1, 4.1)
	NO <sub>2</sub>	2.0 (0.5, 3.6)
	O <sub>3</sub>	2.4 (0.8, 4.1)
	NO <sub>2</sub> and O <sub>3</sub>	1.7 (0.010, 3.4)
	O <sub>x</sub>	1.8 (0.16, 3.6)
	O <sub>x</sub> <sup>wt</sup>	2.2 (0.57, 3.8)
PM <sub>2.5</sub> *AA	Base model	1.3 (0.1, 2.6)
	NO <sub>2</sub>	0.8 (-0.30, 1.8)
	O <sub>3</sub>	1.2 (-0.20, 2.6)
	NO <sub>2</sub> and O <sub>3</sub>	0.43 (-0.70, 1.6)
	O <sub>x</sub>	0.64 (-0.70, 2.0)
	O <sub>x</sub> <sup>wt</sup>	1.0 (-0.30, 2.3)

O<sub>x</sub>, sum of NO<sub>2</sub> and O<sub>3</sub>; O<sub>x</sub><sup>wt</sup>, redox-weighted average of NO<sub>2</sub> and O<sub>3</sub>. Risk estimates reflect a 5 µg/m<sup>3</sup> change in PM<sub>2.5</sub> and a 1-unit change in PM<sub>2.5</sub>\*GSH and PM<sub>2.5</sub>\*AA. All models are adjusted for 3-day mean ambient temperature and relative humidity (cubic splines).



Table S8. Impact of regional PM<sub>2.5</sub> oxidative potential on the relationship between ambient PM<sub>2.5</sub> and hospitalization for myocardial infarction and asthma

Exposure	Percentile of Oxidative Potential				
	% Change (95% CI)				
	< 25 <sup>th</sup>	25-50 <sup>th</sup>	>50-75 <sup>th</sup>	>75 <sup>th</sup>	> 90 <sup>th</sup>
OP <sup>GSH</sup>					
Lag0 PM <sub>2.5</sub>	-1.4 (-2.7, 0.0)	1.4 (-0.08, 3.6)	2.0 (0.0060, 3.9)	4.1 (0.26, 8.0)	7.9 (4.1, 12)
OP <sup>AA</sup>					
Lag0 PM <sub>2.5</sub>	2.5 (-0.50, 5.6)	-1.0 (-2.7, 0.76)	1.5 (-0.90, 4.0)	2.8 (-0.80, 6.6)	0.87 (-1.6, 3.3)

Risk estimates reflect a 5 µg/m<sup>3</sup> change in PM<sub>2.5</sub>. All models are adjusted for 3-day mean ambient temperature and relative humidity (cubic splines).

Table S9. Percent change (95% CI) in risk of emergency room visits for myocardial infarction associated with PM<sub>2.5</sub> across strata of regional OP<sup>GSH</sup> and daily O<sub>x</sub>

Percentile of 3-day mean O <sub>x</sub>	Percentile of Regional OP <sup>GSH</sup>			
	≤50 <sup>th</sup>	> 50 <sup>th</sup>	> 75 <sup>th</sup>	> 90 <sup>th</sup>
≤50 <sup>th</sup>	-1.1 (-4.3, 2.2)	0.95 (-3.9, 6.0)	3.8 (-2.4, 11)	8.8 (-1.3, 20)
> 50 <sup>th</sup>	1.7 (-0.10, 3.5)	4.8 (1.9, 7.7)	5.6 (0.49, 11)	11 (8.0, 13)
> 75 <sup>th</sup>	3.2 (-0.80, 7.3)	6.7 (2.7, 11)	8.2 (1.1, 16)	17 (10, 24)
> 90 <sup>th</sup>	0.90 (-4.6, 6.8)	6.3 (-1.2, 14)	3.8 (-1.6, 9.4)	16 (6.0, 26)

Risk estimates reflect a 5 µg/m<sup>3</sup> change in PM<sub>2.5</sub>. All models are adjusted for 3-day mean ambient temperature and relative humidity (cubic splines).