Interactive comment on “Variability of aerosol properties over Eastern Europe observed from ground and satellites in the period from 2003 to 2011” by A. Bovchaliuk et al.

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Dear Prof. Dr. Alexandros D. Papayannis

We appreciate your useful comment and we improved citation. We added references to earlier work on aerosol systematic measurements performed in the Eastern Mediterranean Region and corrected the text (see below).

All the best
On behalf of authors
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The Sahara is the major source of mineral dust that often spreads across the Mediterranean to Europe. Saharan dust aerosols over the North East Mediterranean that lies on the way for aerosol to Eastern Europe region well studied in (Papayannis et al., 2005, 2008; Kalivitis et al., 2007; Gerasopoulos et al., 2007). According to Isralevich et al. (2012) whose research is based on data from MODIS for the period from 2001 to 2010 Saharan dust is transported to Eastern Europe region mostly in autumn (August–September) and in spring (April).


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