TASK 2.5.5 NATURAL EXPOSURE TESTING IN CALIFORNIA

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ABSTRACT

Airborne particulate matter that settles on a roof can either reflect or absorb incoming solar radiation, dependent on the chemical content and size of the particles. These light scattering and absorption processes occur within a few microns of the surface, and can affect the solar reflectance of the roof. Wilkes et al. (2000) tested 24 different roof coatings on a low-slope test stand and observed about a 25% decrease in the solar reflectance of white-coated and aluminum-coated surfaces as the time of exposure increased; however, the decrease leveled off after 2 years. SPRI Inc. and its affiliates studied the effect of climatic exposure on the surface properties of white thermoplastic single-ply membranes and determined that membranes lose from 30 to 50% of their reflectance over 3 years (Miller et al. 2002). The CMRC and its affiliates AISI, NamZAC, MBMA, MCA and NCCA exposed unpainted and painted metal roofing on both steep- and low-slope test roofs and found that after 3½ years, the painted polyvinylidene fluoride (PVDF) metal roofs lost less than 5% of their original reflectance (Miller et al. 2004). The results of the three different weathering studies are very interesting in terms of their solar reflectance after 3½ years of exposure. The white thermoplastic membrane and white ceramic coating with white topcoat had original reflectance measures that were about 20 percentage points higher than the painted metal; however, after 3-years of field exposure the solar reflectance of the painted metal exceeds that of the thermoplastic membrane and equals that of the coating. The long-term loss of reflectance appears driven by the ability of the particulate matter to cling to the roof and resist being washed off by wind and or rain.

Miller et al. (2002) discovered that aerosol deposition introduced biomass of complex microbial consortia onto the test roofs and the combination of contaminants and biomass accelerated the loss of solar reflectance for the thermoplastic membranes and the roof coatings. Airborne contaminants and biomass were also detected on the painted metal roofs; however, the loss of solar reflectance was less than 5% for the painted metal roofs. The chemistry of the PVDF paint resin system uses similar organic film bonding to that responsible for Teflon®, making it extremely chemical resistant and dirt shedding. Miller and Rudolph (2003) found the PVDF painted metals maintained solar reflectance even after 30 years of climatic exposure. Therefore the reduction of roof reflectance is

closely related to the composition of the roof and to the chemical profile of the contaminants soiling the roof.

Contaminants collected from samples of roof products exposed at seven California weathering sites were analyzed for elements and carbons to characterize the chemical profile of the particles soiling each roof sample and to identify those elements that degrade or enhance solar reflectance. The losses in solar reflectance varied from site to site and also varied at a given site based on the color of the coupon. The least drop in reflectance was observed in the alpine climate of McArthur while the largest drop occurred in sites near urban development. Light color samples were soiled after just one year of exposure. The darker color coupons did not show the same seasonal variations in solar reflectance as observed for the lighter colors. However, after an additional year of exposure the samples at all sites regained most of their solar reflectance due to rain and/or wind washing. The loss of reflectance appears cyclical with the onset of seasons having more rainfall.

Solar reflectance of the cool pigmented coupons always exceeded that of the conventional pigmented coupons. Climatic soiling did not cause the cool pigmented roof coupons to lose any more solar reflectance than their conventional pigmented counterparts. The effect of roof slope appears to have more of an effect on lighter color roofs whose solar reflectance exceeds at least 0.5 and visually shows the accumulation of airborne contaminants. The thermal emittance remained invariant with time and location and was therefore not affected by climatic soiling.

A thin-film deposition model was developed based on first principles, which simulates light interaction with a soiled substrate. This model was used in combination with the measured data to determine the solar absorptance and reflectance of particulate matter at each of the sites calculated using least squares fitting routines. Principal Component Analysis was used to determine the most important combinations of chemicals correlated with changes in solar absorption. Linear regression helped extract an approximate correlation using chromium, iron and elemental carbon concentrations. It appears that chromium ranks first, iron ranks second, and elemental carbon ranks third in importance to solar absorptance in the data.

INTRODUCTION

The objectives of this task are (1) document the drop in solar reflectance and the change in thermal emittance for roof products having cool color pigments, (2) characterize the particulate matter deposited on roof samples of different materials, (3) establish the relationship between the deposited particulate matter and reduction of solar reflectance, and (4) quantify the contributions of the chemical composition of the particulate matter on the enhancement or loss of solar reflectance on a roof material.

The long-term benefits of cool pigmented roofing systems (Akbari et al. 2004) can be compromised if a significant loss in solar reflectance occurs during the first few years of service life. Ultraviolet radiation, atmospheric pollution, microbial growths, acid rain, temperature cycling caused by sunlight and sudden thunderstorms, moisture penetration, condensation, wind, hail, and freezing and thawing are all thought to contribute to the loss of a roof's solar reflectance.

Field data reported by Miller et al. (2002) suggests that the loss of reflectance is due to dust load and or biomass accumulation, which in turn is affected by the climatic

conditions. Biomass may be due to the growth of fungi and/or mold species that were transported by airborne particulate matter blown by the wind. Deposition of atmospheric carbon, nitrogen, and moisture accumulation on the roof provide suitable conditions for the colonization of these microbes.

Results published by Berdahl et al. (2002) indicate that “the long-term change of solar reflectance appears to be determined by the ability of deposited soot to adhere to the roof, resisting washout by rain.” Samples studied were bare metal and polyvinyl chloride (PVC) roofing weathered for 18 years. Berdahl attributed soot, also known as black carbon and elemental carbon, to be the primary cause of long-term reflectance loss. Other potentially important light absorbing particles are organic carbon (OC) and iron-containing minerals such as hematite. Further, we will present here new preliminary data that indicate that anthropogenic chromium compounds are an additional cause of light absorption. Organic carbon consists of hydrocarbon substances from combustion and carbon in the form of biomass. However, it is plausible that the aged solar reflectance of roofs is affected by many factors including atmospheric deposition of soot particles and dusts (e.g., dirt, road dust, and soil particles). To study the issues further, characterization of the chemical and physical attributes of the deposited particles was conducted in the diverse climates of California.

WEATHERING SITES IN CALIFORNIA

Seven sites in the diverse climates of California (Table 1) were selected for exposing painted metal, clay and concrete tile roof products with and without cool color pigments. Custom-Bilt Metal, Steelscape, BASF, MonierLifetile, US Tile, Maruhachi Ceramics of America (MCA), the Shepherd Color Company, American Rooftile Coatings, Metro Roof products, Elk Corporation, Certainteed and Owens Corning supported the initiative by field testing roof samples at their respective manufacturing facilities (Table 1) and/or by providing roof products for natural exposure testing. The California population is expanding rapidly in the Central Valley and around the LA basin, and the sites with Custom-Bilt (Sacramento) and Elk (Shafter) capture the effects of weather, urban pollution and the expanding population. These areas reflect the market for new homes. Weathering sites with Steelscape, BASF and MCA are located in existing densely populated areas of the San Francisco basin and LA, and represent the market for re-roofing existing homes. Samples were also exposed near weather stations maintained by the California Irrigation Management Information System (CIMIS). Sites in McArthur and El Centro, CA. were selected for acquiring exposure data in the more extreme climates. McArthur is located in the moderate alpine climate of northern California (climate zone 16); El Centro is in the extremely hot desert climate of southern California bordering the Arizona state line (climate zone 15).

Table 1. Weathering Sites for exposing roof products.				
Company	City	County	Climate Zone	Roof or Ground Mount
Department of Water Resources CIMIS	El Centro (RS01)	Imperial	15	Ground
Maruhachi Ceramics of America	Corona (RS02)	Riverside	10	Ground
BASF	Colton (RS03)	San Bernadino	10	Roof
ELK Corporation	Shafter (RS04)	Kern	13	Ground
Steelscape	Richmond (RS05)	Contra Costa	3	Roof
Custom-Bilt	Sacramento (RS06)	Sacramento	12	Roof
Department of Water Resources CIMIS	McArthur (RS07)	Shasta	16	Ground

The CIMIS web site <http://www.cimis.water.ca.gov/> has current weather data that can help estimate the loss of solar reflectance as affected by the climatic elements. In fact, CIMIS has 118 computerized weather stations acquiring hourly, daily, weekly and/or monthly solar irradiance, ambient air temperature and relative humidity as well as wind speed, wind direction and precipitation; Table 2 locates each weathering site and provides the closest CIMIS station to each weathering site. Solar reflectance (SR) of the new and aged samples is also provided for the different samples used for elemental contaminant determinations.

Exposure Racks

All roof samples were installed in exposure rack assemblies, which are 5.5-ft high by 9-ft long, and divided into three sub-frames having respective slopes of 2-, 4- and 8-in of rise per 12-in of run (i.e., slopes of 9.5°, 18.4° and 33.7°). Each sub-frame can hold two sub-assemblies, which are designed to have 6 rows of samples with 34-in of usable space in each row. Sample size is 3.5-in by 3.5-in, a size that LBNL's spectrophotometer¹ can easily accommodate for measuring the solar reflectance at discrete wavelengths. Finally all exposure rack assemblies were oriented facing south for full exposure to natural sunlight and weathering (Fig. 1).

¹ Perkin-Elmer Lambda 900

Table 2. Sample Identifications and Solar Reflectance after 1.63 and 4.06 years of exposure.

	El Centro (RS01)	Corona (RS02)	Colton (RS03)	Shafter (RS04)	Richmond (RS05)	Sacramento (RS06)	McArthur (RS07)
CIMIS Site ¹	87	44	44	5	157	131 & 155	43
Latitude	32°48'24"N	33°57'54"N	33°57'54"N	35°31'59"N	37°59'30"N	38°35'58"N	41°03'53"N
Longitude	115°26'46"W	117°20'08"W	117°20'08"W	119°16'52"W	122°28'12"W	121°32'25"W	121°27'16"W
Samples for Element Study	Gray Artic concrete tile	Gray Artic concrete tile	PVDF Metal Charcoal Gray	PVDF Metal Rawhide	PVDF Metal Rawhide	Gray Artic concrete tile	PVDF Metal Rawhide
Sample ID	976	676	517,518,519	704, 705, 706, 707	404,406	378	805,806
Sample Area (m ²)	7.903E-03	7.903E-03	2.371E-02	3.161E-02	1.581E-02	7.903E-03	1.581E-02
SR initial	0.265	0.252	0.308	0.571	0.569	0.269	0.570
SR after 1.63 yrs	0.275	0.233	0.297	0.524	0.545	0.248	0.547
Samples for Biomass Study	PVDF Metal Hartford Green	PVDF Metal Charcoal Gray	Gray Artic concrete tile	Buff Blend Clay tile	PVDF Metal Rawhide	Brown Artic concrete tile	PVDF Metal Rawhide
Sample ID	920, 921, 922, 923	616	576	779,780	405	372	804,807
Sample Area (m ²)	3.161E-02	7.903E-03	7.903E-03	1.581E-02	7.903E-03	7.903E-03	1.581E-02
SR aged	0.272	0.309	0.246	0.527	0.569	0.261	0.571
SR after 1.63 yrs	0.277	0.297	0.241	0.484	0.544	0.254	0.549
Samples for Element Study	PVDF Metal Red Brick	PVDF Metal Hartford Green	PVDF Metal Slate Blue	MCA Clay Tile White Buff	PVDF Metal Rawhide	PVDF Metal Charcoal Gray	PVDF Metal Slate Blue
Sample ID	912-915	620-623	508-511	728-730	407	316-319	808-811
Sample Area (m ²)	3.161E-02	3.161E-02	3.161E-02	2.37E-02	7.90E-03	3.161E-02	3.161E-02
SR initial	0.374	0.272	0.283	0.636	0.440	0.308	0.282
SR after 4.06 yrs	0.405	0.340	0.274	0.442	0.424	0.282	0.267
	Clay Apricot Buff	Shepherd Gray Artic	MonierLife Terracotta red	Shepherd Blue Artic	MCA Clay Tile Weathered Green	Am Roof Coatings	MCA Clay Tile Regency Blue
Sample ID	931-933	677-678	549-551, 578	764-766	443-445	381-386	837-839
Sample Area (m ²)	2.37E-02	1.58E-02	3.16E-02	2.37E-02	2.37E-02	4.74E-02	2.37E-02
SR initial	0.608	0.247	0.199	0.236	0.415	See Below ²	0.420
SR after 4.06 yrs	0.493	0.304	0.222	0.252	0.354		0.418

¹ http://www.cimis.water.ca.gov/cimis/welcome.jsp				
² Solar reflectance for Am Roof Coatings exposed in Sacramento, CA				
		Time (yrs)		
Sample	Code	0	3.49	Area (m ²)
Ultra Marine	381	0.392	0.392	7.90E-03
Chocolate	382	0.41	0.381	7.90E-03
Camo Green	383	0.463	0.357	7.90E-03
Light Gray	384	0.433	0.417	7.90E-03
Terracotta	385	0.473	0.451	7.90E-03
Onyx	386	0.417	0.431	7.90E-03

Instruments

A Device and Services solar spectrum reflectometer was used to measure the solar reflectance (total hemispherical reflectance over spectrum of sun's energy) of the roof samples. The device uses a tungsten halogen lamp to diffusely illuminate a sample. Four detectors, each fitted with differently colored filters, measure the reflected light in different wavelength ranges. The four signals are weighted in appropriate proportions to yield the solar reflectance. The device was proven accurate to within ± 0.003 units (Petrie et al. 2000) through validation against the ASTM E-903 method (ASTM 1996). However, because the cool pigmented roof products exhibit high infrared reflectance, some of the field samples were measured at LBNL using their spectrophotometer to

check the portable reflectometer. The average absolute difference between the Device and Services reflectometer and the spectrophotometer was about 0.02 points of reflectance with the spectrophotometer consistently reading lower than the reflectometer (as example, the reflectometer measured a solar reflectance of 0.741 for a IR painted metal while the spectrophotometer measured 0.73).

The impact of emittance on roof temperature is as important as that of reflectance. A portable Device and Services emissometer was used to measure the thermal emittance using the procedures in ASTM C-1371 (ASTM 1997). The device has a thermopile radiation detector, which is heated to 82.2°C (180°F). The detector has two high- ϵ and two low- ϵ elements and is designed to respond only to radiation heat transfer between itself and the sample. Because the device is comparative between the high- ϵ and the low- ϵ elements, it must be calibrated in situ using two standards, one having an emittance of 0.89, the other having an emittance of 0.06. Kollie, Weaver, and McElroy (1990) verified the instrument's precision as ± 0.008 units and its accuracy as ± 0.014 units in controlled laboratory conditions.

FIELD MEASUREMENTS

Akbari and Konopacki (1998) and Miller et al. (2004) showed that in moderate to predominantly hot climates, an exterior roof surface with a high solar reflectance and high thermal emittance will reduce the exterior temperature and produce savings in comfort cooling. For predominantly heating-load climates, surfaces with moderate reflectance but low infrared emittance save in comfort heating. Determining the affects of climatic soiling on the solar reflectance and infrared emittance of cool color roofs is therefore very important for developing realistic claims of the net energy savings (cooling energy savings less heating penalty).

Coupons of concrete and clay tile and painted metal roof samples were exposed to the elements in six of California's sixteen climate zones. The tabulation of the solar reflectance data for the seven weathering sites is provided in Appendix A. Contaminant samples were collected after 1.6 and 4.1 years of exposure for the coupons identified in Table 2. The measures of solar reflectance and thermal emittance are reported herein to view the time dependence of climatic soiling and later, in the contaminants section, the impact of the various contaminants on the loss of solar reflectance.

Effects of Soiling on Roof Samples in the Field

The Regal white painted PVDF coupon steadily lost solar reflectance over the first year of exposure (Fig. 2). The loss varied from site to site with the least drop observed at McArthur (4% after one year) and the worst occurring in the more desert-like areas of Colton and Meloland (23% after one year). The exposure rack in Colton is roof-mounted while the one in Meloland is ground mounted (Table 1), yet the change in solar reflectance after one year of exposure is very similar between the two sites. Visible inspection of the Regal white painted metal exposed at Shafter [medium sloped rack (4-in rise per 12-in run)] showed the sample was soiled with airborne debris after one year of exposure (Fig. 3). However, after an additional 8 months of weathering the samples at all sites regained most of their solar reflectance (average SR loss of only 6% from starting SR value). Meloland and Shafter had less than ½-in of rainfall from Aug 04 through

April 05; however, McArthur, Corona, Colton, Sacramento and Richmond had two consecutive months in early 2005 with rains exceeding 5-in per month. The average winds remained steady at about 4 to 5 mph over the entire exposure period at all sites. Hence the results are showing that the loss of reflectance is remedied in part by the combination of precipitation and wind sweeping or simply wind sweeping in the drier climates of El Centro and Shafter.

The darker charcoal gray coupon did not show the same seasonal variations in solar reflectance as the lighter coupon because its solar reflectance is roughly half that of the white painted metal (Fig. 4). Dusts tend to lighten darker colors and the soiling of the charcoal gray coupon slightly increased solar reflectance. Coupons of the same color but having conventional pigments (labeled standard in Fig. 2 and 4) have lower solar reflectance than do the cool pigmented colors during the entire exposure period. The result is important because climatic soiling did not cause the cool pigmented colors to degrade more than that observed for the conventional pigmented colors. Therefore the cool pigmented painted metals performed as well as their counterparts. Further, the infrared reflective pigments boost the solar reflectance of a dark more aesthetically pleasing color to about 0.3 to 0.4 (view standard versus cool pigments at start of exposure Fig. 4) and results for the charcoal gray painted metal shows only about a 3% drop in solar reflectance over about 4 years of exposure.

Climatic soiling had little effect on the solar reflectance of clay and concrete tile (Fig. 5). Dusts appear to lighten the darker Terra Cotta color. Results showed that both concrete and clay coupons lost less than 5% of their original solar reflectance (Appendix A). Finally, the effect of roof slope becomes somewhat significant for coupons exceeding an initial solar reflectance of 0.50, as observed for the Regal white painted metal coupons displayed in Fig. 6. As stated the coupons collect dust with the worst soiling occurring for samples exposed in Meloland, Colton, Corona and Shafter. The crisp and clear alpine climate of McArthur continues to show the lowest loss of reflectance (Fig. 6). The drop in solar reflectance diminishes slightly as roof slope increases for samples at Meloland and McArthur. Also the darker more aesthetically pleasing roof colors do not show the trend. The darker charcoal gray coupon shows slight increases in solar reflectance with time in El Centro and in Colton because of the accumulation of dusts that tend to lighten a darker color. Therefore the effect of roof slope appears more academic and its affect is secondary as compared to the soiling by airborne dust debris. It is also important to again point out that the cool pigmented colors maintain their solar reflectance as well as their conventional pigmented counterparts.

The thermal emittance of the painted metal, clay and concrete tile coupons has not changed much after 4 years of exposure in California (Table 3). Miller et al. (2004) and Wilkes et al. (2000) both observed little variation in the thermal emittance of painted and or coated surfaces. Consistent with reported findings, the thermal emittance did not vary from site-to-site nor did it change with time for these painted products. Thermal emittance of metals is strongly dependent on surface properties. Unpainted metals will over time oxidize; the metal oxide surface layer increases the thermal emittance (Miller and Kriner 2001). However, the paint finishes applied to PVDF metal and clay and concrete tile are very durable and there is therefore no adverse weathering effects observed for the thermal emittance of painted roof products.

Table 3. Thermal Emittance measured for roof coupons at different sites over time of exposure.								
Roof Sample	Site	Thermal Emittance at Exposure Times (yrs)						
		0.000	0.748	0.962	1.630	2.493	3.592	4.047
Charcoal Gray PVDF Metal	Corona	0.83			0.82	0.84	0.84	0.83
	Richmond	0.82	0.82	0.82				
Rawhide PVDF Metal	Corona	0.86			0.84	0.87	0.84	0.85
	Richmond	0.83	0.84	0.84				
Apricot Buff Clay Tile	Corona	0.86	0.85	0.92	0.82	0.91	0.90	0.90
	Richmond	0.86	0.83	0.83				
Gray Artic Concrete Tile	Corona		0.84					
	Richmond		0.84	0.84				

Contaminants measured in the field

The contaminant study encompassed the identification of elements and carbons for characterizing the chemical profile of the particles soiling each roof sample. Coupons were analyzed after 1.63 years of exposure and a second set was analyzed after 4.1 years of exposure. The procedures used to detect and identify contaminants are reviewed to document the handling of samples and the analysis techniques used to identify particulates.

Procedure for Measuring Elemental Contaminants

Contaminants were swabbed from the concrete and painted metal coupons identified in Table 2. The samples from a single site were removed from the exposure racks, wrapped in aluminum foil, stored in a zip lock bag and sent airfreight back to ORNL.

Each sample was placed in a laboratory sonicating² bath filled with 800 ml of distilled water held at room temperature. After 20 minutes, the sample was removed from the bath using sterilized stainless steel forceps. The water suspension was then poured into a filtration system with vacuum applied to filter the suspended particulate onto the filters. The solution was divided into two 400-mL aliquots. One 400-mL sub-sample was filtered through a 47-mm diameter nylon filter (OSMONIC, Inc., 0.1 µm pore size) that was subsequently analyzed for selected metal composition by a certified analytical lab. The other 400-mL sub-sample was passed through the same filtration system through a 47-mm diameter glass fiber filter (Whatman 934-GF). About 100 mL of additional deionized water was used to rinse off any particulate matter (PM) that remained on the samples. All the filters were placed in a laboratory desiccator and held overnight at room temperature before being analyzed. For quality control, 400 ml of deionized water was filtered through a nylon filter to create an analytical blank of metal species. A glass fiber blank was created similarly for carbon analysis. The filtration apparatus was rinsed three times using deionized water in between different filtration runs.

Inductively Coupled Plasma (ICP) – Atomic Emission Spectrometry (AES) was used for analysis of the metal content on the filters. Metal concentrations in the deposited PM that exceeded those detected for blank values were reported. The carbon content was

² Sonicating agitates the bath using high-frequency sound waves.

analyzed for total, elemental, and organic carbon by the Sunset Laboratory³, Inc., Portland, OR. Three samples, each 1-square cm, were punched out from a 47-mm diameter quartz filter and analyzed by the instrument, and the average of the triplicate was assigned as the carbon concentration for the sample. If the coefficient of variation of the triplicate concentration is greater than $\pm 5\%$, the sample is considered as non-uniform deposition and the result may be discarded. In this study all the samples met the precision requirement and were retained in the subsequent data analysis.

Chemical profile of roof particulates

Figure 7 (data after 1.63 years of exposure) and Figure 8 (data after 4.1 years of exposure) display the concentration flux of elements and the variation of these elements across the weathering sites. At some sites only one sample was pulled, while at another site several samples were pulled just to obtain a sufficient quantity of contaminants (Table 2). All elements shown on the X-axis of each plot are those whose concentrations were higher than the method's detection limits and above the blank values.

Coupons pulled after 4.1 years of exposure (Fig. 8) and those pulled after only 1.6 years of exposure show similar contaminant flux concentrations (Fig. 7). Many of the metals analyzed for all sites are of crustal origins such as road dusts, soil, and or rock debris. Sulfur content in the roof samples was not large, which may be attributed to the absence of coal-fired power plants in California. Sulfur (S) was lowest at McArthur possibly because of its rural setting while at all other sites the concentration of S was about the same. Calcium is found to be in rather high abundance, except for the remote McArthur site in northeastern California. The elements aluminum, silicon, potassium, titanium, iron and barium (Al, Si, K, Ti, Fe and Ba) are typically associated with soil and dust and their respective concentrations are similar across all weathering sites. Greater variations are observed with anthropogenic elements such as vanadium, chromium, nickel, zinc, and lead (V, Cr, Ni, Zn, and Pb). Generally the clear alpine climate of McArthur yielded the lowest or near lowest concentration of these elements emanating from man-made emissions.

OC values are higher than EC values for all sites. The McArthur site that is located in an alpine climate rather than the industrial and or urban environments of the other sites had the least amount of EC per unit area of pulled sample. Plants and vegetations are excellent sources of emission of organic compounds that could be detected as OC, if the compounds or their reaction products were found on particulate matter. On the other hand, elemental carbons (e.g., soot) emanate from combustion source emissions such as vehicle engine exhausts. We thus attributed the observed higher EC values in Shafter, Richmond and Sacramento to potential contributions by traffic and vehicle emissions at the sites. The traffic volume around the McArthur site area is much less than other areas because of its rural setting, but McArthur is in a forest area where biogenic emissions might be significant. This resulted in higher OC than EC, and the data reported here support this understanding.

To further study the sources of carbon content in aerosol particles, we computed the ratios of EC to OC for the seven sites based on the data shown in Figs 7 and 8. The

³ The Sunset instrument is capable of analyzing carbon content of a filter sample using the temperature and oxidation profiles of particulate carbonaceous species to define organic vs. elemental carbon (i.e., OC vs. EC). The total sum of OC and EC is called the total carbon of a sample.

EC/OC ratio has been successfully used by Appel et al., 1976, Turpin and Huntzicker, 1995, and Strader et al., 1999 to identify whether the carbon in aerosol was primary or secondary in content. If the EC/OC ratio is low and correlation between OC and EC is high, the carbon likely emanates from direct emissions. Average EC/OC value reported by Appel et al., 1976, Turpin and Huntzicker, 1995, and Strader et al., 1999 is about 0.48 in winter, 0.32 in spring, and 0.18 in summer. The EC/OC ratios computed for the seven sites were all smaller than 0.18, much smaller than 0.48. These results suggest averaged over the 1.6 and 4.1 year exposure periods, the carbon contents found on PM deposited at these sites were driven primarily by sources such as biogenic emissions and or forest or local brush fire rather than photochemical conversion.

Effect of particulate matter on roof materials

The results presented in Figs 7 and 8 indicate two major contributors of particulate matter: crustal sources and traffic activities. Miller et al. (2006) conducted linear regression analysis to determine the important chemical elements that contributed to the loss of roof reflectance; however, only the 1.6 year exposure data was available from the CA weathering sites. Results showed statistically that Cr, Cu, Mn, Mg, Ni, Na, S, V, and EC had little contribution to the change of solar reflectance. Al and OC contributed to the increase of solar reflectance values found at the sites, and Ca, Fe, K, Si, and Zn could contribute to the degradation of solar reflectance measured on the roof samples. Aluminum oxide has a refractive index of about 1.7, and its particles can thus be reflective in the visible to infrared region. Organic carbon, OC, is a highly complex mixture of materials containing carbon that can be detected in the form of CO₂ when burned. OC is well-known to be a reflective component of aerosol particles (see Novakov and Penner, 1993 in <http://eetd.lbl.gov/newsletter/nl17/blackcarbon.html>, for example) due to its ability to scatter light. OC absorbs at short wavelengths (UV and blue), but is reflective at longer wavelengths. EC is commonly referred to as black carbon or soot and is believed to be a significant factor in the loss of a roof's solar reflectance (Berdahl et al., 2002).

The second set of elemental contaminants collected after 4 years of exposure (2008 data) were statistically analyzed with and without the contaminant data collected after just 1.6 years of exposure (2005 data). A principal component analysis (PCA) test identified the parameters that best describe the solar reflectance of the roof samples. Both the 2005 and the 2008 data show two components resolved by PCA. One is related to dust characterized by the chemical species Al, Ca, Fe, K, Si, OC⁴ (organic carbon). Br is also observed; however, it is not thought to be a soil ingredient. Possibly its presence comes from sea salt. The other principal component is of anthropogenic origin and was identified as Cu, Sb, and Zn. Overall, a Scree test verified that the two data sets (2005 and 2008) can be correlated using two variables and explained 87% of the variation in the data. Dust appears a dominant factor contributing to the data variation in California. Corona showed the greatest amounts of anthropogenic contaminants possibly because of new industrial activities in that region from 2005 to 2008.

⁴ Organic carbon (OC) was defined by any carbonaceous compounds that can be burned below about 400°C. Any carbon that was not OC was operationally attributed to EC.

Effects of Carbon Soot on roof materials

The role of elemental carbon (i.e., soot) if in significant content in aerosols has dramatic effects on the loss of solar reflectance. Berdahl (2006) shows the expected solar reflectance and visible reflectance as a function of soot concentration. The OC and EC amounts measured in mg per unit area in centimeter squared at these seven sites are shown in Table 4. The largest EC per unit area for coupons exposed for 1.63 years was

Table 4. Derived OC and EC Amounts per Unit Area on the Roof Samples Collected at the CA Sites (Detection Limit of Carbon is 0.2 µg)

Site ID	Organic Carbon (mg/m ²)		Elemental Carbon (mg/m ²)	
	1.63 yr exposure	4.1 yr exposure	1.63 yr exposure	4.1 yr exposure
El Centro	8.312	NA	0.237	NA
Corona	5.361	52.226	0.240	0.987
Colton	6.146	54.565	0.165	2.833
Shafter	5.591	41.835	0.404	3.555
Richmond	11.090	8.745	1.344	0.569
Sacramento	4.461	NA	0.221	NA
McArthur	1.315	88.902	0.018	0.796

found at Richmond; its blank filter had virtually no EC. Note that the detection limit for carbon is 0.2 µg. However, for the samples exposed for 4.06 years, all sites with exception of Richmond had increased deposition of EC. Previous reporting by Miller et al. (2006) stated that EC was found in too small concentrations to be a significant contributor in reducing surface reflectance at all seven sites in California. The more recent data shows that EC may indeed affect the solar reflectance of the roof samples and can be used to describe the subsequent losses. It also suggests that losses in solar reflectance due to soiling occur after at least 2 to 3 years of exposure.

A SIMPLE MODEL FOR A SOILED SUBSTRATE

An increase in solar reflectance requires the addition of light-scattering particles. For example, a white powder increases the reflectance of a black or gray substrate. The ability of a particle to scatter light is proportional to the difference in refractive index of a particle and that of the surrounding medium as described by $(n_{pl}-n_o)^2$ where n_{pl} is the real refractive index of the particle and n_o is the refractive index of the surrounding medium. As example, many minerals and organic substances have refractive indices in the range of [1.3 to 1.8] and therefore in air ($n_o = 1$) cause light scattering.

Suppose there is a soil layer with absorptance a , reflectance r , and transmittance t on a substrate with a clean reflectance denoted R_o and one wishes to compute the soiled substrate reflectance R (see Fig. 9). A photon interacts with the soiled substrate in one of three ways. In the first process the photon can be reflected directly by the soil; the photon

can be transmitted by the soil, reflected by the substrate, and transmitted again by the soil (Process 2); or the photon can be transmitted twice, reflected from the substrate twice, and reflected by the underside of the soil (Process 3). Therefore summing the different ways a photon can be reflected as demonstrated in Figure 9 yields a formulation for the reflectance of the soiled substrate as:

$$R = r + t^2 R_o + t^2 R_o^2 r + \dots \quad (1)$$

Since an incident photon must be absorbed, reflected, or transmitted, we know that $a + r + t = 1$. We can therefore eliminate t in our equation in favor of a and r . This assumes the soil layer is thin (a and r are small compared to unity) so quadratic and higher powers of a and r are small and can be discarded⁵. It follows then that the change in reflectance R of the soiled substrate is given, to first order in a and r , by:

$$R - R_o = -2R_o a + (1 - R_o)^2 r \quad (2)$$

Thus increasing the soil absorptance a reduces the reflectance R of the soiled substrate while increasing the soil reflectance r increases R . The importance of a diminishes if R_o is small and r will be less important if R_o is close to unity.

Model Limitations

The proposed model neglects the angular distributions of the radiant energy. A two-stream approximation was assumed, keeping track only of whether the radiation is traveling up or down. Physically, radiation traveling normal to the soil layer has a shorter path length than radiation traveling obliquely. If one associates the absorptance a with a measured Lambert-Beer's law absorptance⁶, there is an ambiguity as to the correct path length and a corresponding ambiguity in a by about a factor of 2.

The model also neglects the spectral distributions of the radiant energy. Spectral components of the absorption are likely to be larger at short wavelengths, since most materials absorb more strongly in the visible and UV compared with the near infrared. Thus the parameters a and r should be understood as average values over the solar spectrum. Note that for $a=0.2$, the spectral value of a may still be rather large at short wavelengths, invalidating our approximation that $a \ll 1$.

The simple model assumes a uniform layer of soil. In principal, it may need to describe fluctuations in the thickness of the soil layer.

Computed a and r for soiled substrates

Despite the above-mentioned limitations in the model of a soiled substrate, the method's strength stems from its simplicity. Based on Eq. (2), if we have measured values of both R and R_o for two samples with differing R_o but the same soil layer, then we can compute values for a and r . Now in most cases, we have measurements with a dozen or more samples with the same soil layer, so we can refine the determination of a and r by least squares fitting, as specified in more detail below.

⁵ If the soil layer is not thin, it can be divided into thin sublayers and the current method can be used recursively, leading to more complex equations.

⁶ The Lambert-Beer law assumes a logarithmic dependence between the transmission of light through a soiled substrate and the product of the path length of light with the absorption coefficient of the substrate.

The results for the a and r coefficients of polyvinylidene-fluoride (PVDF) painted metal roof samples at all slopes are listed in Table 5 and clay roofs at all slopes are listed in Table 6. Computations were made for all CA sites and all times where solar reflectance measurements were collected in the field and passed the Grubb's statistical⁷ test for outliers. Appendix A tabulates all the reflectance field measurements used.

Table 5. Model Fitting for PVDF-painted Metal Coupons at All Slopes									
Site	Year [.564,.764]			Year [.959,.962]			Year [1.625,1.644]		
	a	r	sse	a	r	sse	a	r	sse
Colton	0.061	0.054	0.001216	0.148	0.181	0.005634	0.043	0.013	0.000912
Corona	0.032	0.025	0.000432	0.092	0.102	0.008962	0.044	0.021	0.001362
Meloland	0.039	0.065	0.00241	0.092	0.165	0.014618	0.008	0.014	0.000926
McArthur	0.019	0.001	0.000481	0.026	0.031	0.001087	0.017	0.001	0.000712
Richmond	0.077	0.047	0.001244	0.077	0.047	0.001244	0.021	0.001	0.000489
Sacramento	0.03	0.001	0.000334	0.064	0.07	0.001536	0.034	0.005	0.000648
Shafter	0.103	0.102	0.00626	0.121	0.119	0.006853	0.036	0.001	0.004755
Site	Year [2.488,2.501]			Year [3.589,3.592]			Year [4.041,4.060]		
	a	r	sse	a	r	sse	a	r	sse
Colton	0.062	0.059	0.002212	0.055	0.047	0.001818	0.161	0.164	0.116969
Corona	0.082	0.095	0.004187	0.06	0.077	0.003193	0.204	0.33	0.003711
Meloland	0.077	0.158	0.004812	0.066	0.142	0.006415	0.097	0.212	0.008285
McArthur	0.01	0.02	0.000864	0.008	0.011	0.000616	0.025	0.03	0.001516
Richmond	0.013	0.015	0.000914	0.023	0.022	0.002894	0.058	0.043	0.018385
Sacramento	0.037	0.029	0.001216	0.06	0.034	0.004133	0.09	0.079	0.004985
Shafter	0.083	0.057	0.005592	0.065	0.055	0.001923	0.121	0.106	0.013985

To show the quality of the fits, plots of the absolute change in reflectance of the coupons (Fig. 10) are computed using Equation 2 with the a and r coefficients in Table 5 and superimposed on the reduced field data for coupons exposed at the various sites over the span of approximately four years. The optimal values for the a and r terms (Table 5) were calculated using least squares fitting routines for coupon reflectance data measured at a respective time, Fig. 10. On the y-axis is plotted the coupon's solar reflectance R , less the new coupon's initial solar reflectance R_0 , as a function of R_0 . Dark samples (small R_0) have an increased reflectance and light samples (large R_0) have a decreased reflectance, Fig. 10. The ordinate at $R-R_0=0$ marks zero reflectance change, and the curve intersects this line at $R_0 = 0.32$. Thus a sample with $R_0=0.32$ will be unchanged in reflectance by added dust. This critical value for R_0 is actually a function of a/r . Larger a leads to a darker surface, while a smaller a yields a lighter surface. In summary, in the fitting process, both parameters a and r are determined by minimizing the mean square deviation of $R-R_0$ from the fitted line.

⁷ Grubbs' test was used to detect and eliminate outliers in the data set.

Table 6. Model Fitting for Clay Roofs at All Slopes									
Site	Year [.564,.764]			Year [.959,.962]			Year [1.625,1.644]		
	a	r	sse	a	r	sse	a	r	sse
Colton	0.071	0.04	0.004508	0.139	0.145	0.004016	0.058	0.001	0.004636
Corona	0.053	0.047	0.003442	0.101	0.11	0.009918	0.08	0.057	0.003316
Meloland	0.07	0.126	0.003075	0.084	0.183	0.003666	0.054	0.104	0.003461
McArthur	0.021	0.001	0.003289	0.024	0.031	0.002662	0.021	0.001	0.002655
Richmond	0.059	0.027	0.003189	0.059	0.027	0.003189	0.046	0.001	0.003457
Sacramento	0.039	0.005	0.003295	0.058	0.074	0.00382	0.056	0.026	0.00425
Shafter	0.13	0.143	0.007475	0.144	0.178	0.010309	0.084	0.043	0.005254
Site	Year [2.488,2.501]			Year [3.589,3.592]			Year [4.041,4.060]		
	a	r	sse	a	r	sse	a	r	sse
Colton	0.099	0.065	0.003863	0.097	0.063	0.00382	0.197	0.201	0.021605
Corona	0.133	0.159	0.006643	0.128	0.129	0.014209	0.205	0.3	0.004796
Meloland	0.094	0.2	0.00332	0.107	0.241	0.00205	0.127	0.282	0.003917
McArthur	0.016	0.027	0.00205	0.018	0.012	0.002661	0.014	0.014	0.003671
Richmond	0.049	0.026	0.003458	0.069	0.031	0.00292	0.085	0.045	0.005079
Sacramento	0.055	0.048	0.006556	0.111	0.084	0.006986	0.131	0.127	0.010294
Shafter	0.139	0.109	0.004212	0.11	0.092	0.004973	0.178	0.193	0.004302

It should be noted that clay roofs averaged 34% higher soil absorption “*a*” coefficient than yielded by the PVDF-painted metal roofs, highlighting material-specific soiling dynamics. Likewise, compared to average low-slope soil absorption, mid-slope had an 11% reduction and steep-slope had a 16% reduction. The observation helps again confirm that there is some enhanced washing of the coupons at steeper slopes resulting in higher reflectivity over time.

STATISTICAL ANALYSIS OF PARTICULATE MATTER’S EFFECT ON SOLAR REFLECTANCE

Additional statistical techniques were used to investigate the contribution of individual elements or combinations of elements on solar reflectance. First, principal component analysis was used to indicate combinations of elements that account for the variability of the contaminant concentration data as well as correlation to soil absorptance and reflectance. Second, linear fits were utilized to determine which elements or combination of elements is best for predicting soil absorptance and reflectance. Each analysis is discussed in more detail below, and are based upon the contaminant data shared among the 5 sites and between the 2 time periods whenever concentrations exceeded the detection threshold, Table 7

Table 7. Chemical Composition of Particulate Matter											
		1.6 Years					4 YEARS				
Site #		RS02	RS03	RS04	RS05	RS07	RS02	RS03	RS04	RS05	RS07
Site Name		Corona	Colton	Shafter	Richmo nd	McArthu r	Corona	Colton	Shafter	Richmo nd	McArthu r
Lat,Lon		33.88N, 117.56W	34.07N, 117.31W	35.5N, 119.27W	37.94N, 122.34W	41.02N, 121.65W	33.88N, 117.56W	34.07N, 117.31W	35.5N, 119.27W	37.94N, 122.34W	41.02N, 121.65W
Soil Absorbance <i>a</i>		0.06	0.053	0.058	0.034	0.019	0.206	0.177	0.147	0.075	0.02
Soil Reflectance <i>r</i>		0.03	0.014	0.012	0.001	0.001	0.315	0.173	0.128	0.049	0.026
Element	Abbr.	Unit									
Aluminum	Al	mg/m ²	40.996	39.0559	16.449	26.698	5.34593	27.4173	9.91161	14.4418	12.3775
Barium	Ba	mg/m ²	0.7149	0.52299	0.47765	0.25939	0.23218	0.52492	0	0.32614	0.4722
Calcium	Ca	mg/m ²	55.294	95.7417	17.3347	146.143	1.01225	30.8752	39.893	42.5148	8.63617
Chromium	Cr	mg/m ²	0.63392	0.74231	1.30327	0.80347	0.68959	5.71021	4.38469	2.64347	0.9512
Copper	Cu	mg/m ²	1.44245	1.13034	0.75286	0.93633	0.29292	0.26227	0.10092	0.23544	0.181
Iron	Fe	mg/m ²	67.441	67.0614	31.6327	43.9695	4.95368	51.0933	23.539	28.6455	29.5619
Lead	Pb	mg/m ²	0.35682	0.47238	0.09047	0	0	0.14498	0.09372	0.05638	0.1422
Magnesium	Mn	mg/m ²	19.7388	19.781	9.01532	15.5	0.51372	1.41036	0.23482	1.43171	0.45519
Nickel	Ni	mg/m ²	0	0.28596	0.09363	0.20118	0	0.07084	0	1.53129	0.13177
Potassium	K	mg/m ²	10.2617	9.65852	3.22654	0	0	9.48552	5.07768	7.62809	5.88121
Silicon	Si	mg/m ²	19.1062	13.7075	6.83267	9.67961	2.32817	39.3214	20.2937	28.4377	36.336
Strontium	Sr	mg/m ²	0.48841	0.16618	0.63582	0.20941	0.18474	0.24904	0.20506	0.18347	0.1581
Sulfur	S	mg/m ²	1.79674	1.72926	1.35388	1.74613	0	0	0.46313	0.53701	0.46568
Titanium	Ti	mg/m ²	4.11225	3.28137	0.95531	2.30919	0.20055	2.31091	1.60139	1.75199	2.50667
Zinc	Zn	mg/m ²	4.37797	1.34544	7.27552	1.12612	3.17592	0.97047	0.47021	0.81893	0.47503
Organic Carbon	OC	mg/m ²	5.361	6.14583	5.59065	11.0905	1.31528	52.226	54.565	41.8346	8.74498
Elemental Carbon	EC	mg/m ²	0.24016	0.16529	0.40417	1.34414	0.01778	0.98688	2.83329	3.55499	0.56905

Principal Component Analysis

Principal component analysis (PCA) using Matlab functions was performed on the covariance matrix of the mean-centered raw contaminant data and the first three eigenvectors accounted for 97.3% of the variability. The main contributors, in order of decreasing loading factors for the first three eigenvectors, are: Ca, Fe, OC, Al, and Si. To move beyond variance and into correlation, three successively more sophisticated techniques were utilized.

First, the soil absorption *a* and the soil reflectance *r*, were included in a correlation matrix (rather than a covariance matrix) and again analyzed using principal component analysis. This effectively treats *a* and *r* as variables in the same manner as the included chemical contaminants. The first three eigenvectors accounted for 78.3% of the correlation with *a* and 78.5% of the correlation with *r*; the per-element loadings for each eigenvector are shown in Table 8. These loadings are indicative of the relative importance of each elemental contaminant in mathematically accounting for the correlation to *a* or *r* with decreasing importance for subsequent eigenvectors. The 1st eigenvector for a contaminant in Table 8 helps one view whether the contaminant positively or negatively affects a change in the soil absorption *a* and/or soil reflectance *r*.

Second, the varimax variant of principal component analysis was utilized to increase the contribution of the *a* and *r* parameters to the final eigenvectors. This limits contributions from elements which exhibit only minor influences on the correlation. In the case of both *a* and *r*, the elements with the highest loading factors were: Al, Sr, Ni, and Ca.

Third, an orthonormal basis vector was derived and utilized for varimax PCA in order to align eigenvectors precisely with *a* or *r*. This maximizes the correlation of a given contaminant element directly with *a* or *r*. The major eigenvectors for both *a* and *r*

had per-element loading factors in the following order: Fe, OC, Ca, Si, Al, and Mn. These eigenvector loadings correspond well to the elements with the largest concentrations present in the soil.

Table 8. Major Eigenvectors of Correlation with Soil Properties							
PCA for soil absorbance a				PCA for soil reflectance r			
	1 st Eigenvec	2 nd	3 rd		1 st	2 nd	3 rd
a	0.1027	0.402	-0.1472	r	0.126	0.3916	-0.1837
Al	-0.3274	0.163	0.0506	Al	-0.3246	0.1731	0.045
Ba	-0.2688	0.087	-0.3186	Ba	-0.2657	0.1046	-0.3165
Ca	-0.1985	0.0514	0.5092	Ca	-0.1987	0.0447	0.4984
Cr	0.1273	0.3418	-0.1677	Cr	0.1305	0.3392	-0.1535
Cu	-0.3454	-0.0751	0.0735	Cu	-0.3453	-0.0718	0.0651
Fe	-0.3142	0.2195	0.0158	Fe	-0.3115	0.2258	0.0172
Pb	-0.2812	0.1679	-0.0775	Pb	-0.2794	0.1748	-0.0735
Mn	-0.341	-0.0484	0.1744	Mn	-0.341	-0.0467	0.165
Ni	0.0523	0.184	0.2298	Ni	0.0503	0.1601	0.2662
K	-0.1683	0.3839	-0.2003	K	-0.165	0.387	-0.1774
Si	0.0707	0.413	-0.1573	Si	0.0744	0.4201	-0.1389
Sr	-0.1801	-0.1195	-0.3929	Sr	-0.1808	-0.126	-0.3806
S	-0.3155	-0.0685	0.2033	S	-0.3171	-0.0783	0.2041
Ti	-0.2673	0.25	0.0859	Ti	-0.2647	0.2591	0.0872
Zn	-0.1551	-0.2621	-0.3834	Zn	-0.1567	-0.2664	-0.3785
OC	0.2194	0.1925	0.0547	OC	0.2215	0.2002	0.0535
EC	0.1715	0.2476	0.2722	EC	0.1696	0.2185	0.3052

Linear Regression

Linear regression was again utilized to accurately model the soil absorbance *a* and reflectance *r* as a function of all possible combinations of all contaminants measured from the soil. Fits were generated for one, two, and three contaminants to determine which combinations best predicted *a* or *r*, Table 9 (e.g. the best 1-element prediction for *r* is to multiply the mg/m² concentration of Cr by .053... and subtract .02815...).

Table 9. Best Models for Predicting <i>a</i> and <i>r</i>								
Abbr.	1.6+4y		1-element		2-elements		3-elements	
	<i>a</i>	<i>r</i>	<i>a</i>	<i>r</i>	<i>a</i>	<i>r</i>	<i>a</i>	<i>r</i>
b	0	0	0.01328	-0.02815	0.00158	0.002083	0.0013	-0.07316
Al	0.00245	-0.0586	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ba	-0.00026	0.00717	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ca	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cr	8.5E-05	-0.0003	0.03499	0.05398	-0.00669	-0.054394	-0.0091	-0.02139
Cu	0.03188	0.03196	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.03949
Pb	-0.00156	0.00303	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mn	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ni	0.00271	-0.01538	0	0	0	0	0	0
K	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.02888	0
Si	0.0052	-0.00898	0	0	0.02899	0.046095	0.00152	0
Sr	0.00173	-0.00119	0	0	0	0	0	0
S	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00221
Ti	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Zn	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OC	-0.00082	-0.00168	0	0	0	0	0	0
EC	-0.00017	0.00039	0	0	0	0	0	0

As another example, the best 2-element prediction for the soil absorptance a and reflectance r is given in Table 9 by the following two fits:

$$a = 0.00158 - 0.00669[\text{Cr}] + 0.02899[\text{Si}] \quad (3)$$

and

$$r = 0.00208 - 0.05439[\text{Cr}] + 0.04609[\text{Si}] \quad (4)$$

where

[Cr] represents the mg/m^2 concentration of Cr, and
 [Si] represents the mg/m^2 concentration of Si.

Statistical Summary

Several variants of principal component analysis have been used to show which elements account for the variability of the raw data as well as the correlation of that data to soil absorptance a and soil reflectance r . Linear regression and exhaustive search of all possible k-element contributions was used to find the optimal linear combination of elements for a and r in our data.

It is very important to point out that the confidence in the results of the statistical analyses is very limited as chemical concentration was measured at only 5 sites at 2 times (1.6 and 4 years) resulting in only 10 data points. Any conclusions drawn from these statistical analyses must include a physical chemistry-based interpretation of elemental contaminant effects on reflectivity of soiled roofs.

Physical Interpretation of Elemental Contribution

As reported earlier, crustal element and carbon concentrations soiling the coupons were collected in coordination with solar reflectance measurements made after 1.63 years and 4.1 years of exposure. The relatively abundant transition metals Fe, Mn, Cu, Cr, have colored or black oxides which reduce roof reflectance. Of these elements, iron was the most abundant contaminant found on the soiled coupons. The presence of iron in mineral dust is expected to be accompanied by a reddish (hematite) or brownish tint (FeOOH). Hematite is a strong absorber of the short wavelength part of the solar spectrum (300 to 550 nm) with a coefficient of about $4 \text{ m}^2/\text{gm}$ (Levinson, Berdahl and Akbari, 2005). Thus such a hematite layer could absorb a measurable portion (~20 %) of the short wavelength component. Of course, most of the iron present is not likely to be in the form of pure iron oxides, but rather the iron is in mineral particles containing other oxides like Si, Al, Ca, etc. as well.

Plotting iron concentration against the soiled absorptance a for data measured after 4.1 years of exposure revealed a potential correlation between the optical absorptance a and the iron concentration, Fig. 11a. Here the elemental compositions and the a -values are from Table 7. The estimation of a was improved by including the effect of chromium compounds, Fig. 11b. Note that the inclusion of a term proportional to chromium concentration reduced the best (least-squares) fit coefficient for iron. Finally, a three-term fit for soil absorptance a was used to incorporate elemental carbon [C]

concentration as well. This final fit allows us to use the three concentrations [Fe], [Cr], and [C] to estimate soil absorptance with an rms deviation of only $\Delta a = 0.008$. A simple interpretation of the results is that the coefficients in the equation for estimating a are the absorption strengths of iron (minerals), chromium (minerals/compounds), and elemental carbon. The units, expressed as for aerosols, can be given in $\text{m}^2 \text{g}^{-1}$: 1.52 for Fe, 19.9 for Cr, and 15.8 for C. Some caution, however, is in order. If we had not found the relationships with Cr and C, the larger coefficient of 4.2 (upper panel) would have been found for iron. Likewise, if there are other unknown absorbers present that are correlated with iron, then the 1.52 figure might still be too large. Also, due to experimental errors and the use of a very limited number of data points, the coefficients that we derive are uncertain by about a factor of 2. Furthermore, it is known that the absorption coefficient depends on the detailed chemical environment of the absorbing atoms, and that atoms deep inside absorbing particles have reduced absorption efficiency. However, a simple interpretation will be used here. The mass of a Cr atom is 52, whereas the mass of Fe is almost the same at 56. Therefore, we see that Cr atoms are roughly 13 times as effective as Fe atoms at causing absorption. Thus the Cr-absorption is comparable to the Fe-absorption even though less Cr is present. The earth's crust contains about 5% Fe by weight, and 0.01 % Cr. The ratio [Cr]/[Fe] might be expected to be ~ 0.002 whereas Table 7 shows that at 4.1 yr this ratio is 0.03 – 0.2. We infer that most of the chromium is of anthropogenic origin.

It is not known a priori what the size of the absorption coefficients should be for Fe and Cr. However, we expect the elemental carbon should be present in the form of soot with optical properties that are approximately known. Kirchstetter et al. (2004) reported that the absorptance of soot is about $14 \text{ m}^2 \text{g}^{-1}$ at 550 nm. The absorption coefficient is roughly proportional to the inverse of wavelength. At 700 nm, the energy center of the solar spectrum, the Kirchstetter value extrapolates to $11 \text{ m}^2 \text{g}^{-1}$, which is not far from our value. Berdahl, Akbari and Rose (2002) estimate about $8 \text{ m}^2 \text{g}^{-1}$. The relative closeness of our new coefficient for carbon to that of published values of soot reinforces the interpretation that soot is indeed the cause.

Babin and Stramsky (2004) studied light absorption by mineral particles suspended in water. They identified iron compounds as quite important and found that the absorption at 440 nm was in the range of 1 to 4 m^2 per gram of iron. This absorption was even stronger in the ultraviolet and disappeared near 600 nm. A derived rough estimate for the solar-spectrum-averaged value of Fe absorption is $0.2 - 1.0 \text{ m}^2 \text{g}^{-1}$. Table 10 summarizes the status of the absorption coefficients.

Table 10. Comparison of measurements with literature data.		
Absorbing Species	Absorption coefficient from our data ($\text{m}^2 \text{g}^{-1}$)	Absorption coefficient, estimate is from literature ($\text{m}^2 \text{g}^{-1}$)
Fe	1.5	0.2 – 1.0
Cr	20.	–
Elemental C	16	8, 11

The site with the largest iron concentration is Corona with 51.1 mg/m^2 . The corresponding contribution to a is 0.08. The site with the largest elemental carbon concentration is Shafter with 3.55 mg/m^2 . The contribution to a is 0.06. The site with

the largest chromium concentration is Corona with 5.71 mg/m^2 , and contribution to a of 0.11. Thus, it appears that chromium ranks first, iron ranks second, and elemental carbon ranks third in importance to soil absorptance in our data at 4.1 years.

CONCLUSIONS

Seven sites were selected for exposing painted PVDF metal, clay and concrete tile coupons with and without cool pigmented colors in the arid, alpine, urban populated and also the cool, humid climates of California. The losses in solar reflectance varied from site to site and also varied at a given site based on the color of the coupon. The least drop in reflectance was observed in the alpine climate of McArthur while the largest drop occurred in sites near urban development. Visible inspection of the Regal white PVDF metal exposed at Shafter showed the sample was soiled with airborne debris and had lost 24% of its initial solar reflectance after just one year of exposure. The darker color coupons did not show the same seasonal variations in solar reflectance as observed for the lighter colors. However, after an additional 8 months of exposure the samples at all sites regained most of their solar reflectance due to rain washing. Field data show the loss of reflectance is cyclical with the onset of seasons having more rainfall. Solar reflectance of the cool pigmented coupons always exceeded that of the conventional pigmented coupons. Climatic soiling did not cause the cool pigmented roof coupons to lose any more solar reflectance than their conventional pigmented counterparts. The effect of roof slope appears to have more of an effect on lighter color roofs whose solar reflectance exceeds at least 0.5 and visually shows the accumulation of airborne contaminants. However, precipitation and or wind sweeping helps restore most of the initial solar reflectance. The thermal emittance remained invariant with time and location and was therefore not affected by climatic soiling.

The roof samples collected at seven California sites after 1.6 years and 4.1 years of exposure have been analyzed for elements and carbons. The chemical profile of the particles collected by each roof sample was obtained and reported for the seven sites. Analysis of cross-correlation of the seven chemical profiles shows a clear separation between the rural and urban/industrial sites and correlation among sites in a region; e.g., Southern California. Many of the contaminants were of crustal origin such as road dusts, soil and or rock debris and the concentration flux of the contaminants were about the same after 1.6- and 4.1-years of exposure. Iron was the most abundant contaminant found on the soiled coupons. Higher elemental carbon concentrations were observed after 4.1 years of exposure than observed for 1.63 years.

Principal Component Analysis (PCA) showed that the loss of solar reflectance of the field samples is explainable by two independent parameters. Dust and anthropogenic contaminants explain over 85% of the data variation. We also attempted to identify the elements that contribute to the loss or enhancement of solar reflectance by performing a least-square fit to the data. We successfully developed an approximate and preliminary correlation using chromium, iron and elemental carbon concentrations that simulates the solar reflectance of soiled samples exposed to the elements for 4.1 years.

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NOMENCLATURE

CIMIS	California Irrigation Management Information System
CMRC	Cool Metal Roof Coalition
AISI	American Institute of Steel Industries
NamZac	Galvalume Sheet Producers of North America
MBMA	Metal Building Manufacturers Association
MCA	Metal Construction Association
NCCA	National Coil Coaters Association
PVC	polyvinylchloride thermoplastic membranes
SR	solar reflectance
TE	thermal emittance
PM	particulate matter

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Fig. 1. Assembly used for natural exposure testing of roof samples in seven California climatic zones; site shown is the GAF/Elk Manufacturing facility in Shafter, CA.

Fig. 2. Solar reflectance of PVDF metal (white color) at the seven CA weathering sites.

Fig. 3. Painted PVDF metal coupon soiled at the Shafter site after 1 full year of exposure.

Fig. 4. Solar reflectance of a painted PVDF metal coupon (charcoal gray color) at the seven CA weathering sites.

Fig. 5. Solar reflectance of a concrete tile coupon (Terra Cotta Red color) at the CA sites.

Fig. 6. Regal white painted metal with and without cool pigments. The slopes of 9.5°, 18.4° and 33.7° represent respective exposure settings of 2-in, 4-in and 8-in of rise per 12-in of run.

Fig. 7. Elemental compositions and carbon contents of particulate matter extracted from roof samples during March 2005. Samples exposed for 1.63 years.

Fig. 8. Elemental compositions and carbon contents of particulate matter extracted from roof samples during August 2007. Samples exposed for 4.06 years.

Fig. 9. Diagram showing photon behavior for retained terms in the expansion for the soiled substrate reflectance R .

Fig. 10. The measured solar reflectance R is compared to the modeled R as computed from linear regression of the a and r terms (Eq. 2).

Estimation of a with iron concentration alone
(units for $[\text{Fe}]$ mg/m^2)

Fig. 11(a)

Estimation of a using concentrations of
iron and chromium
(concentration units, mg/m^2)

Fig. 11(b)

Fig. 11(c)

Fig. 11. Estimation of soil absorptance a based on absorber concentrations. Data from Table 7 for 4 yr. Fit lines are required to pass through the origin. Parameters of the linear relationships were selected by minimizing the root mean square deviation Δa of the points from the line. In part (a) only iron concentration [Fe] was considered, in part (b) Fe and Cr, and in part (c) Fe, Cr, and elemental carbon C were all considered.

Appendix A

El Centro Exposure Site (RS01)

Painted metal, clay and concrete tile roof products with and without cool color pigments were placed at ground level at the Davis University Agricultural Extension office located in El Centro, CA. Coupons of the roof products were installed in exposure rack assemblies, which are 5.5-ft high by 9-ft long, and divided into three sub-frames having respective slopes of 2-, 4- and 8-in of rise for 12-in of run (i.e., slopes of 9.5°, 18.4° and 33.7°). Each sub-frame can hold two “Sure-Grip” sub-assemblies, which are designed to have 6 rows of samples with 34-in of usable space in each row. Sample size is 3.5-in by 3.5-in. Orientation of the racks was set at 260° CCW and faced south, south-west into the sun. A CIMIS weather station (CIMIS # 87) is adjacent the exposure rack.

Figure A.1. Exposure rack ground mounted at University of Davis Agricultural Extension office, El Centro, CA.

El Centro, CA Solar Reflectance Field Data

Table A.1

				EXPOSURE TIME (YRS)						
	Identifier	Code	Slope	0.000	0.742	0.962	1.625	2.488	3.592	4.041
BASF PVDF Painted Metal										
Regal White	872W2	900	2 in 12	0.74	0.664	0.551	0.724	0.609	0.615	0.564
	872W2	901	4 in 12	0.741	0.671	0.574	0.724	0.633	0.635	0.590
	872W2	902	8 in 12	0.74	0.697	0.653	0.722	0.647	0.661	0.659
	815W98	903	4 in 12	0.685	0.639	0.558	0.673	0.571	0.605	0.564
Rawhide	872T6	904	2 in 12	0.566	0.545	0.519	0.56	0.513	0.525	0.490
	872T6	905	4 in 12	0.566	0.534	0.497	0.564	0.521	0.532	0.497
	872T6	906	8 in 12	0.566	0.539	0.528	0.562	0.525	0.535	0.502
	836T223	907	4 in 12	0.439	0.422	0.412	0.43	0.410	0.410	0.414
Slate Blue	872B7	908	2 in 12	0.282	0.296	0.311	0.276	0.319	0.322	0.334
	872B7	909	4 in 12	0.282	0.297	0.321	0.276	0.308	0.298	0.332
	872B7	910	8 in 12	0.282	0.286	0.312	0.277	0.305	0.297	0.326
	815B49	911	4 in 12	0.169	0.192	0.243	0.173	0.240	0.225	0.272
Brick Red	872R10	912	2 in 12	0.374	0.379	0.384	0.382	0.400	0.404	0.412
	872R10	913	4 in 12	0.375	0.379	0.389	0.381	0.295	0.396	0.402
	872R10	914	8 in 12	0.373	0.38	0.389	0.383	0.397	0.395	0.400
	815R71	915	4 in 12	0.195	0.22	0.254	0.197	0.257	0.240	0.293
Charcoal Gray	872D6	916	2 in 12	0.308	0.32	0.342	0.316	0.358	0.354	0.374
	872D6	917	4 in 12	0.308	0.32	0.338	0.318	0.348	0.347	0.359
	872D6	918	8 in 12	0.308	0.325	0.333	0.317	0.347	0.339	0.356
	815D119	919	4 in 12	0.123	0.138	0.193	0.127	0.211	0.210	0.242
Hartford Green	872G16	920	2 in 12	0.27	0.288	0.318	0.276	Pulled		
	872G16	921	4 in 12	0.272	0.29	0.319	0.276	Pulled		
	872G16	922	8 in 12	0.274	0.295	0.29	0.28	Pulled		
	815G37	923	4 in 12	0.088	0.134	0.176	0.094	Pulled		
Slate Bronze	872T3	924	2 in 12	0.263	0.277	0.312	0.27	0.321	0.313	0.340
	872T3	925	4 in 12	0.262	0.283	0.304	0.27	0.315	0.328	0.328
	872T3	926	8 in 12	0.262	0.278	0.314	0.269	0.310	0.302	0.318
	815T119	927	4 in 12	0.118	0.155	0.25	0.123	0.211	0.213	0.246
MCA Clay Tile										
White Buff	2F44	928	2 in 12	0.644	0.574	0.555	0.596	0.544	0.531	0.513
	2F44	929	4 in 12	0.638	0.567	0.554	0.581	0.539	0.533	0.504
	2F44	930	8 in 12	0.651	0.593	0.56	0.592	0.551	0.540	0.519
Apricot Buff	CF50	931	2 in 12	0.62	0.515	0.507	0.543	0.508	0.512	0.475
	CF50	932	4 in 12	0.598	0.546	0.545	0.574	0.543	0.514	0.509
	CF50	933	8 in 12	0.607	0.518	0.521	0.539	0.508	0.510	0.495
Adobe Gray	2F71	934	2 in 12	0.424	0.406	0.412	0.41	0.412	0.410	0.418
	2F71	935	4 in 12	0.421	0.409	0.414	0.419	0.414	0.420	0.413
	2F71	936	8 in 12	0.412	0.415	0.432	0.429	0.427	0.430	0.420
Regency Blue	2F52	937	2 in 12	0.411	0.395	0.398	0.395	0.395	0.397	0.396
	2F52	938	4 in 12	0.424	0.404	0.413	0.401	0.400	0.406	0.406
	2F52	939	8 in 12	0.422	0.402	0.409	0.392	0.401	0.400	0.396

El Centro, CA Solar Reflectance Field Data

Table A.1

				EXPOSURE TIME (YRS)						
	Identifier	Code	Slope	0.000	0.742	0.962	1.625	2.488	3.592	4.041
Natural Red	F40	940	2 in 12	0.466	0.441	0.46	0.457	0.450	0.442	0.438
	F40	941	4 in 12	0.468	0.439	0.45		0.446	0.439	0.437
	F40	942	8 in 12	0.464	0.445	0.451	0.458	0.453	0.445	0.442
Weathered Green	B305	943	2 in 12	0.412	0.4	0.413	0.407	0.404	0.409	0.420
	B305	944	4 in 12	0.4	0.397	0.401	0.397	0.400	0.402	0.418
	B305	945	8 in 12	0.41	0.402	0.413	0.409	0.409	0.415	0.410
Ironwood	2F19	946	2 in 12	0.268	0.287	0.313	0.292	0.321	0.339	0.336
	2F19	947	4 in 12	0.271	0.3	0.315	0.296	0.321	0.351	0.372
	2F19	948	8 in 12	0.261	0.285	0.3	0.278	0.306	0.312	0.319
US Clay Tile										
Buff Blend		979	2 in 12		0.568	0.543	0.568	0.549	0.521	0.504
Bermuda Blend		980	2 in 12		0.499	0.503	0.508	0.486	0.470	0.477
Monierlife Concrete Tile										
Terra Cotta Red	6978	949	2 in 12		0.184	0.268	0.181	0.229	0.259	0.286
	6978	950	4 in 12							
	6978	951	8 in 12							
Hearthside	3083	952	2 in 12		0.122	0.192	0.145	0.202	0.228	0.260
	3083	953	4 in 12		0.135	0.219	0.156	0.204	0.220	0.258
	3083	954	8 in 12		0.141	0.226	0.158	0.200	0.225	0.252
Riversidepebble	3080	955	2 in 12		0.164	0.225	0.166	0.214	0.242	0.263
	3080	956	4 in 12		0.131	0.202	0.14	0.189	0.211	0.258
	3080	957	8 in 12		0.136	0.219	0.154	0.200	0.210	0.252
Ebony	5047	958	2 in 12		0.133	0.257	0.13	0.188	0.229	0.230
	5047	959	4 in 12		0.136	0.242	0.156	0.187	0.220	0.242
	5047	960	8 in 12		0.134	0.219	0.129	0.177	0.207	0.232
Lincoln Green	4087	961	2 in 12		0.185	0.263	0.181	0.239	0.265	0.320
	4087	962	4 in 12		0.174	0.233	0.185	0.224	0.240	0.277
	4087	963	8 in 12		0.174	0.235	0.179	0.217	0.230	0.264
Shepherd Artic Match										
Blue Artic		964	2 in 12		0.226	0.285	0.237	0.285	0.294	0.298
		965	4 in 12		0.234	0.295	0.243	0.277	0.280	0.279
		966	8 in 12		0.225	0.299	0.235	0.269	0.272	0.296
Red Artic		967	2 in 12		0.267	0.317	0.279	0.316	0.312	0.317
		968	4 in 12		0.266	0.318	0.283	0.316	0.314	0.317
		969	8 in 12		0.309	0.339	0.306	0.338	0.338	0.334
Brown Artic		970	2 in 12		0.261	0.315	0.283	0.320	0.332	0.334
		971	4 in 12		0.26	0.315	0.283	0.313	0.320	0.319
		972	8 in 12		0.251	0.315	0.283		0.299	

Appendix A

Corona Exposure Site (RS02)

Painted metal, clay and concrete tile roof products with and without cool color pigments were placed at ground level adjacent the clay tile manufacturing facility of Maruhachi Ceramics of America, Inc. located in Corona, CA. Coupons of the roof products were installed in exposure rack assemblies, which are 5.5-ft high by 9-ft long, and divided into three sub-frames having respective slopes of 2-, 4- and 8-in of rise for 12-in of run (i.e., slopes of 9.5°, 18.4° and 33.7°). Each sub-frame can hold two “Sure-Grip” sub-assemblies, which are designed to have 6 rows of samples with 34-in of usable space in each row. Sample size is 3.5-in by 3.5-in. Orientation of the racks is 310° CCW from the east and faces south south-east.

Figure A.2. Exposure rack ground mounted at Corona, CA.

Corona, CA Solar Reflectance Field Data

Table A.2

				EXPOSURE TIME (YRS)						
	Identifier	Code	Slope	0.000	0.750	0.962	1.630	2.493	3.592	4.047
BASF PVDF Painted Metal										
Regal White	872W2	600	2 in 12	0.74	0.691	0.542	0.675	0.604	0.628	0.468
	872W2	601	4 in 12	0.739	0.692	0.605	0.671	0.604	0.645	0.425
	872W2	602	8 in 12	0.74	0.693	0.651	0.688	0.634	0.664	0.472
	815W98	603	4 in 12	0.687	0.649	0.566	0.62	0.574	0.607	0.423
Rawhide	872T6	604	2 in 12	0.573	0.532	0.468	0.518	0.489	0.522	0.423
	872T6	605	4 in 12	0.573	0.534	0.496	0.522	0.503	0.521	0.415
	872T6	606	8 in 12	0.569	0.535	0.498	0.524	0.508	0.524	0.404
	836T223	607	4 in 12	0.44	0.417	0.386	0.395	0.384	0.407	0.373
Slate Blue	872B7	608	2 in 12	0.282	0.278	0.282	0.259	0.278	0.280	0.322
	872B7	609	4 in 12	0.281	0.278	0.285	0.259	0.278	0.283	0.316
	872B7	610	8 in 12	0.282	0.279	0.279	0.262	0.277	0.279	0.314
	815B49	611	4 in 12	0.172	0.175	0.202	0.165	0.197	0.195	0.277
Brick Red	872R10	612	2 in 12	0.372	0.363	0.358	0.356	0.365	0.378	0.367
	872R10	613	4 in 12	0.374	0.364	0.36	0.358	0.368	0.377	0.366
	872R10	614	8 in 12	0.375	0.363	0.363	0.359	0.370	0.375	0.360
	815R71	615	4 in 12	0.195	0.198	0.222	0.19	0.223	0.220	0.305
Charcoal Gray	872D6	616	2 in 12	0.309	0.305	0.314	0.297	Pulled		
	872D6	617	4 in 12	0.309	0.305	0.304	0.3	0.319	0.322	0.335
	872D6	618	8 in 12	0.308	0.304	0.305	0.3	0.318	0.317	0.338
	815D119	619	4 in 12	0.122	0.129	0.164	0.12	0.162	0.158	0.260
Hartford Green	872G16	620	2 in 12	0.271	0.271	0.289	0.263	0.286	0.286	0.336
	872G16	621	4 in 12	0.272	0.271	0.28	0.266	0.288	0.291	0.370
	872G16	622	8 in 12	0.272	0.268	0.274	0.263	0.279	0.281	0.314
	815G37	623	4 in 12	0.089	0.097	0.142	0.095	0.137	0.131	0.277
Slate Bronze	872T3	624	2 in 12	0.262	0.261	0.28	0.253	0.278	0.278	0.323
	872T3	625	4 in 12	0.263	0.263	0.276	0.256	0.280	0.282	0.320
	872T3	626	8 in 12	0.262	0.262	0.266	0.257	0.278	0.269	0.311
	815T119	627	4 in 12	0.118	0.124	0.167	0.119	0.161	0.152	0.269
MCA Clay Tile										
White Buff	2F44	628	2 in 12	0.64	0.56	0.482	0.526	0.458	0.448	0.385
	2F44	629	4 in 12	0.651	0.568	0.503	0.536	0.484	0.505	0.407
	2F44	630	8 in 12	0.632	0.584	0.538	0.55	0.514	0.527	0.425
Apricot Buff	CF50	631	2 in 12	0.601	0.547	0.482	0.514	0.433	0.413	0.381
	CF50	632	4 in 12	0.595	0.539	0.477	0.51	0.469	0.470	0.407
	CF50	633	8 in 12	0.619	0.549	0.558	0.527	0.497	0.504	0.418
Adobe Gray	2F71	634	2 in 12	0.426	0.414	0.385	0.393	0.366	0.333	0.347
	2F71	635	4 in 12	0.418	0.42	0.387	0.395	0.383	0.391	0.372
	2F71	636	8 in 12	0.42	0.4	0.392	0.389	0.380	0.371	0.360
Regency Blue	2F52	637	2 in 12	0.42	0.395	0.368	0.365	0.338	0.333	0.343
	2F52	638	4 in 12	0.412	0.388	0.366	0.355	0.350	0.356	0.353
	2F52	639	8 in 12	0.406	0.396	0.377	0.371	0.361	0.363	0.347

Corona, CA Solar Reflectance Field Data

Table A.2

				EXPOSURE TIME (YRS)						
	Identifier	Code	Slope	0.000	0.750	0.962	1.630	2.493	3.592	4.047
Natural Red	F40	640	2 in 12	0.449	0.415	0.393	0.395		0.364	0.354
	F40	641	4 in 12	0.462	0.43	0.415	0.408	0.394	0.408	0.376
	F40	642	8 in 12	0.459	0.423	0.43	0.415	0.407	0.418	0.394
Weathered Green	B305	643	2 in 12	0.411	0.386	0.346	0.357		0.319	0.337
	B305	644	4 in 12	0.419	0.378	0.348	0.357	0.340	0.338	0.338
	B305	645	8 in 12	0.409	0.39	0.385	0.378	0.372	0.360	0.352
Ironwood	2F19	646	2 in 12	0.267	0.253	0.264	0.24		0.253	0.305
	2F19	647	4 in 12	0.273	0.252	0.267	0.245	0.272	0.269	0.313
	2F19	648	8 in 12	0.27	0.253	0.255	0.257	0.275	0.272	0.308
US Clay Tile										
Buff Blend		679	2 in 12		0.536	0.272	0.492	0.436	0.391	0.312
Bermuda Blend		680	2 in 12		0.456	0.278	0.411	0.396	0.390	0.361
Monierlife Concrete Tile										
Terra Cotta Red	6978	649	2 in 12		0.206	0.233	0.197	0.228	0.239	0.288
	6978	650	4 in 12		0.207	0.209	0.195	0.235	0.248	0.293
	6978	651	8 in 12		0.178	0.182	0.165	0.212	0.249	0.273
Hearthside	3083	652	2 in 12		0.143	0.186	0.158	0.196	0.224	0.273
	3083	653	4 in 12		0.131	0.134	0.166	0.217	0.230	0.268
	3083	654	8 in 12		0.125	0.138	0.164	0.207	0.230	0.271
Riversidepebble	3080	655	2 in 12		0.146	0.171	0.164	0.215	0.245	0.280
	3080	656	4 in 12		0.151	0.142	0.199	0.222	0.253	0.279
	3080	657	8 in 12		0.151	0.141	0.156	0.200	0.230	0.266
Ebony	5047	658	2 in 12		0.14	0.186	0.141	0.192	0.210	0.275
	5047	659	4 in 12		0.131	0.13	0.128	0.176	0.198	0.271
	5047	660	8 in 12		0.137	0.135	0.125	0.172	0.194	0.271
Lincoln Green	4087	661	2 in 12		0.169	0.211	0.178	0.227	0.255	0.295
	4087	662	4 in 12		0.161	0.14	0.174	0.217	0.241	0.287
	4087	663	8 in 12		0.165	0.164	0.171	0.203	0.235	0.286
Shepherd Artic Match										
Blue Artic		664	2 in 12		0.255	0.27	0.251	0.257	0.238	0.304
		665	4 in 12		0.258	0.273	0.249	0.265	0.256	0.298
		666	8 in 12		0.25	0.262	0.238	0.250	0.253	0.282
Red Artic		667	2 in 12		0.273	0.283	0.261	0.269	0.255	0.296
		668	4 in 12		0.27		0.266	0.281	0.275	0.317
		669	8 in 12		0.276	0.287	0.262	0.279	0.283	0.312
Brown Artic		670	2 in 12		0.255	0.282	0.253	0.262	0.241	0.289
		671	4 in 12		0.244	0.268	0.247	0.263	0.251	0.300
		672	8 in 12		0.258	0.277	0.266	0.278	0.274	

Appendix A

Colton Exposure Site (RS03)

Painted metal, clay and concrete tile roof products with and without cool color pigments were placed on top of the low-slope roof at BASF's Research plant in Colton, CA. Coupons of the roof products were installed in exposure rack assemblies, which are 5.5-ft high by 9-ft long, and divided into three sub-frames having respective slopes of 2-, 4- and 8-in of rise for 12-in of run (i.e., slopes of 9.5°, 18.4° and 33.7°). Each sub-frame can hold two "Sure-Grip" sub-assemblies, which are designed to have 6 rows of samples with 34-in of usable space in each row. Sample size is 3.5-in by 3.5-in. Orientation of the racks was set at 270° CCW from the east, so the roof coupons faced directly south to receive full solar exposure.

Figure A.3. Exposure rack mounted on the low-slope roof of BASF's Research facility in Colton, CA.

Colton, CA Solar Reflectance Field Data

Table A.3

				EXPOSURE TIME (YRS)						
	Identifier	Code	Slope	0.000	0.748	0.962	1.630	2.493	3.592	4.047
BASF PVDF Painted Metal										
Regal White	872W2	500	2.628 in 12	0.742	0.646	0.491	0.673	0.639	0.639	0.279
	872W2	501	4.628 in 12	0.742	0.649	0.537	0.677	0.642	0.663	0.511
	872W2	502	8.628 in 12	0.743	0.663	0.537	0.681	0.658	0.669	0.760
	815W98	503	4.628 in 12	0.689	0.602	0.513	0.625	0.602	0.614	0.477
Rawhide	872T6	504	2.628 in 12	0.57	0.503	0.413	0.521	0.504	0.513	0.400
	872T6	505	4.628 in 12	0.572	0.509	0.438	0.52	0.515	0.520	0.433
	872T6	506	8.628 in 12	0.568	0.515	0.456	0.528	0.524	0.528	0.398
	836T223	507	4.628 in 12	0.44	0.4	0.356	0.4	0.399	0.409	0.345
Slate Blue	872B7	508	2.628 in 12	0.283	0.276	0.289	0.257	0.272	0.268	0.275
	872B7	509	4.628 in 12	0.282	0.278	0.29	0.258	0.271	0.270	0.273
	872B7	510	8.628 in 12	0.283	0.278	0.29	0.257	0.271	0.270	0.274
	815B49	511	4.628 in 12	0.173	0.185	0.227	0.162	0.181	0.180	0.220
Brick Red	872R10	512	2.628 in 12	0.375	0.354	0.343	0.353	0.363	0.358	0.326
	872R10	513	4.628 in 12	0.374	0.355	0.349	0.353	0.365	0.360	0.327
	872R10	514	8.628 in 12	0.374	0.358	0.349	0.355	0.362	0.364	0.320
	815R71	515	4.628 in 12	0.195	0.205	0.25	0.186	0.206	0.197	0.238
Charcoal Gray	872D6	516	2.628 in 12	0.308	0.304	0.314	0.297	0.312	0.306	0.298
	872D6	517	4.628 in 12	0.308	0.304	0.317	0.297	Pulled		
	872D6	518	8.628 in 12	0.308	0.305	0.316	0.297	Pulled		
	815D119	519	4.628 in 12	0.122	0.13	0.203	0.117	Pulled		
Hartford Green	872G16	520	2.628 in 12	0.272	0.271	0.296	0.254	0.276	0.270	0.272
	872G16	521	4.628 in 12	0.272	0.273	0.294	0.26	0.277	0.274	0.278
	872G16	522	8.628 in 12	0.273	0.271	0.294	0.26	0.275	0.274	0.278
	815G37	523	4.628 in 12	0.089	0.116	0.189	0.088	0.113	0.108	0.194
Slate Bronze	872T3	524	2.628 in 12	0.262	0.263	0.293	0.251	0.268	0.524	0.275
	872T3	525	4.628 in 12	0.263	0.264	0.29	0.252	0.270	0.267	0.268
	872T3	526	8.628 in 12	0.262	0.264	0.287	0.249	0.268	0.267	0.271
	815T119	527	4.628 in 12	0.118	0.14	0.206	0.115	0.139	0.133	0.198
MCA Clay Tile										
White Buff	2F44	528	2.628 in 12	0.647	0.543	0.456	0.559	0.509	0.513	0.358
	2F44	529	4.628 in 12	0.653	0.554	0.479	0.565	0.523	0.524	0.398
	2F44	530	8.628 in 12	0.643	0.555	0.482	0.568	0.541	0.551	0.431
Apricot Buff	CF50	531	2.628 in 12	0.609	0.555	0.472	0.56	0.491	0.490	0.354
	CF50	532	4.628 in 12	0.611	0.563	0.496	0.576	0.505	0.507	0.414
	CF50	533	8.628 in 12	0.604	0.519	0.459	0.536	0.506	0.500	0.430
Adobe Gray	2F71	534	2.628 in 12	0.434	0.361	0.344	0.364	0.352	0.351	0.313
	2F71	535	4.628 in 12	0.46	0.378	0.359	0.38	0.369	0.370	0.314
	2F71	536	8.628 in 12	0.449	0.384	0.363	0.386	0.383	0.393	0.349
Regency Blue	2F52	537	2.628 in 12	0.435	0.379	0.351	0.367	0.351	0.393	0.398
	2F52	538	4.628 in 12	0.424	0.38	0.355	0.368	0.357	0.360	0.389
	2F52	539	8.628 in 12	0.43	0.381	0.359	0.369	0.368	0.359	0.343

Colton, CA Solar Reflectance Field Data

Table A.3

	Identifier	Code	Slope	EXPOSURE TIME (YRS)						
				0.000	0.748	0.962	1.630	2.493	3.592	4.047
Natural Red	F40	540	2.628 in 12	0.461	0.421	0.397	0.423	0.413	0.410	0.332
	F40	541	4.628 in 12	0.463	0.416	0.389	0.412	0.405	0.405	0.363
	F40	542	8.628 in 12	0.465	0.418	0.395	0.419	0.417	0.401	0.366
Weathered Green	B305	543	2.628 in 12	0.405	0.377	0.352	0.377	0.353	0.351	0.300
	B305	544	4.628 in 12	0.406	0.363	0.341	0.36	0.337	0.350	0.313
	B305	545	8.628 in 12	0.411	0.358	0.332	0.353	0.336	0.330	0.295
Ironwood	2F19	546	2.628 in 12	0.27	0.254	0.273	0.24	0.252	0.255	0.244
	2F19	547	4.628 in 12	0.268	0.253	0.272	0.24	0.252	0.253	0.249
	2F19	548	8.628 in 12	0.267	0.258	0.271	0.244	0.256	0.243	0.256
US Clay Tile										
Buff Blend		579	2.628 in 12		0.514	0.465	0.489	0.471	0.463	0.387
Bermuda Blend		580	2.628 in 12		0.481	0.455	0.472	0.468	0.448	0.368
Monierlife Concrete Tile										
Terra Cotta Red	6978	549	2.628 in 12		0.2	0.23	0.192	0.219	0.221	0.220
	6978	550	4.628 in 12		0.195	0.222	0.181	0.210	0.209	0.239
	6978	551	8.628 in 12		0.202	0.226	0.176	0.206	0.206	0.206
Hearthside	3083	552	2.628 in 12		0.149	0.202	0.178	0.207	0.209	0.218
	3083	553	4.628 in 12		0.138	0.2	0.158	0.193	0.195	0.233
	3083	554	8.628 in 12		0.135	0.207	0.161	0.190	0.180	0.221
Riversidepebble	3080	555	2.628 in 12		0.141	0.195	0.171	0.197	0.198	0.223
	3080	556	4.628 in 12		0.141	0.201	0.172	0.199	0.201	0.201
	3080	557	8.628 in 12		0.154	0.196	0.148	0.186	0.183	0.215
Ebony	5047	558	2.628 in 12		0.139	0.187	0.134	0.167	0.169	0.213
	5047	559	4.628 in 12		0.13	0.189	0.131	0.160	0.159	0.201
	5047	560	8.628 in 12		0.143	0.193	0.125	0.155	0.151	0.201
Lincoln Green	4087	561	2.628 in 12		0.18	0.226	0.172	0.197	0.199	0.227
	4087	562	4.628 in 12		0.153	0.204	0.152		0.203	0.230
	4087	563	8.628 in 12		0.175	0.211	0.169	0.203	0.216	0.229
Shepherd Artic Match										
Blue Artic		564	2.628 in 12		0.234	0.26	0.222	0.232	0.229	0.239
		565	4.628 in 12		0.242	0.27	0.229	0.238	0.235	0.243
		566	8.628 in 12		0.25	0.276	0.242	0.263	0.256	0.264
Red Artic		567	2.628 in 12		0.265	0.279	0.256	0.254	0.254	0.236
		568	4.628 in 12		0.276	0.287	0.263	0.264	0.260	0.257
		569	8.628 in 12		0.311	0.302	0.273	0.289	0.293	0.276
Brown Artic		570	2.628 in 12		0.25	0.281	0.26	0.263	0.260	0.251
		571	4.628 in 12		0.265	0.29	0.258	0.266	0.269	0.255
		572	8.628 in 12		0.266	0.283	0.266	0.276	0.269	0.268

Appendix A

Shafter Exposure Site (RS04)

Painted metal, clay and concrete tile roof products with and without cool color pigments were placed at ground level on the premises of Elk Corp.'s manufacturing facility in Shafter, CA. Coupons of the roof products were installed in exposure rack assemblies, which are 5.5-ft high by 9-ft long, and divided into three sub-frames having respective slopes of 2-, 4- and 8-in of rise for 12-in of run (i.e., slopes of 9.5°, 18.4° and 33.7°). Each sub-frame can hold two "Sure-Grip" sub-assemblies, which are designed to have 6 rows of samples with 34-in of usable space in each row. Sample size is 3.5-in by 3.5-in. Orientation of the racks was set at 270° CCW from the east, so the roof coupons faced directly south to receive full solar exposure.

Figure A.4. Exposure rack mounted on the ground at Elk Corp.'s Manufacturing facility in Shafter, CA.

Shafter, CA Solar Reflectance Field Data

Table A.4

				EXPOSURE TIME (YRS)						
	Identifier	Code	Slope	0.000	0.751	0.959	1.633	2.496	3.589	4.049
BASF PVDF Painted Metal										
Regal White	872W2	700	2 in 12	0.739	0.613	0.529	0.687	0.596	0.635	0.539
	872W2	701	4 in 12	0.742	0.559	0.589	0.685	0.623	0.644	0.533
	872W2	702	8 in 12	0.737	0.591	0.558	0.689	0.617	0.664	0.589
	815W98	703	4 in 12	0.688	0.551	0.545	0.638	0.574	0.588	0.525
Rawhide	872T6	704	2 in 12	0.570	0.490	0.443	0.524	Pulled		
	872T6	705	4 in 12	0.569	0.456	0.457	0.523	Pulled		
	872T6	706	8 in 12	0.574	0.469	0.437	0.525	Pulled		
	836T223	707	4 in 12	0.441	0.378	0.369	0.405	Pulled		
Slate Blue	872B7	708	2 in 12	0.282	0.278	0.277	0.256	0.256	0.259	0.277
	872B7	709	4 in 12	0.283	0.279	0.278	0.258	0.261	0.265	0.278
	872B7	710	8 in 12	0.282	0.278	0.280	0.258	0.262	0.267	0.279
	815B49	711	4 in 12	0.172	0.199	0.204	0.158	0.176	0.178	0.199
Brick Red	872R10	712	2 in 12	0.375	0.350	0.340	0.353	0.339	0.347	0.347
	872R10	713	4 in 12	0.375	0.344	0.347	0.354	0.348	0.353	0.304
	872R10	714	8 in 12	0.375	0.340	0.338	0.353	0.350	0.360	0.343
	815R71	715	4 in 12	0.195	0.220	0.218	0.184	0.200	0.202	0.229
Charcoal Gray	872D6	716	2 in 12	0.308	0.303	0.307	0.295	0.296	0.303	0.302
	872D6	717	4 in 12	0.308	0.304	0.303	0.295	0.299	0.304	0.301
	872D6	718	8 in 12	0.308	0.304	0.305	0.297	0.301	0.306	0.305
	815D119	719	4 in 12	0.122	0.175	0.163	0.116	0.141	0.143	0.173
Hartford Green	872G16	720	2 in 12	0.270	0.276	0.279	0.258	0.262	0.264	0.279
	872G16	721	4 in 12	0.272	0.278	0.279	0.260	0.267	0.271	0.282
	872G16	722	8 in 12	0.271	0.273	0.279	0.260	0.266	0.272	0.280
	815G37	723	4 in 12	0.088	0.154	0.151	0.086	0.114	0.116	0.087
Slate Bronze	872T3	724	2 in 12	0.262	0.269	0.273	0.250	0.258	0.263	0.277
	872T3	725	4 in 12	0.263	0.269	0.273	0.250	0.258	0.264	0.271
	872T3	726	8 in 12	0.262	0.270	0.277	0.250	0.257	0.261	0.238
	815T119	727	4 in 12	0.188	0.161	0.180	0.113	0.137		0.168
MCA Clay Tile										
White Buff	2F44	728	2 in 12	0.626	0.503	0.482	0.541	0.476	0.513	0.462
	2F44	729	4 in 12	0.645	0.487	0.488	0.536	0.473	0.503	0.429
	2F44	730	8 in 12	0.637	0.505	0.491	0.556	0.488	0.531	0.436
Apricot Buff	CF50	731	2 in 12	0.644	0.489	0.451	0.513	0.440	0.482	0.426
	CF50	732	4 in 12	0.652	0.448	0.438	0.505	0.468	0.491	0.407
	CF50	733	8 in 12	0.606	0.458	0.454	0.522	0.470	0.511	0.429
Adobe Gray	2F71	734	2 in 12	0.406	0.367	0.358	0.369	0.347	0.362	0.354
	2F71	735	4 in 12	0.424	0.363	0.359	0.373	0.354	0.369	0.336
	2F71	736	8 in 12	0.428	0.352	0.358	0.371	0.344	0.373	0.341
Regency Blue	2F52	737	2 in 12	0.414	0.367	0.366	0.343	0.317	0.337	0.324
	2F52	738	4 in 12	0.413	0.360	0.367	0.359	0.328	0.345	0.326
	2F52	739	8 in 12	0.407	0.360	0.382	0.364	0.339	0.354	0.340

Shafter, CA Solar Reflectance Field Data

Table A.4

	Identifier	Code	Slope	EXPOSURE TIME (YRS)						
				0.000	0.751	0.959	1.633	2.496	3.589	4.049
Natural Red	F40	740	2 in 12	0.470	0.415	0.413	0.407	0.368	0.385	0.362
	F40	741	4 in 12	0.457	0.410	0.429	0.407	0.380	0.396	0.362
	F40	742	8 in 12	0.460	0.409	0.401	0.414	0.382	0.402	0.368
Weathered Green	B305	743	2 in 12	0.425	0.362	0.341	0.369	0.345	0.360	0.333
	B305	744	4 in 12	0.406	0.333	0.328	0.352	0.329	0.344	0.320
	B305	745	8 in 12	0.401	0.334	0.334	0.364	0.339	0.364	0.336
Ironwood	2F19	746	2 in 12	0.266	0.260	0.275	0.231	0.240	0.246	0.270
	2F19	747	4 in 12	0.267	0.267	0.273	0.237	0.247	0.256	0.266
	2F19	748	8 in 12	0.270	0.262	0.274	0.235	0.241	0.249	0.267
US Clay Tile										
Buff Blend		779	2 in 12		0.565	0.486	0.521	Pulled		
Bermuda Blend		780	2 in 12		0.489	0.436	0.447	Pulled		
Monierlife Concrete Tile										
Terra Cotta Red	6978	749	2 in 12		0.202	0.238	0.172	0.189	0.201	0.238
	6978	750	4 in 12		0.181	0.226	0.154	0.173	0.189	0.233
	6978	751	8 in 12		0.216	0.235	0.168	0.183	0.198	0.238
Hearthside	3083	752	2 in 12		0.121	0.196	0.136	0.162	0.165	0.217
	3083	753	4 in 12		0.125	0.194	0.142	0.184	0.194	0.230
	3083	754	8 in 12		0.131	0.199	0.144	0.164	0.169	0.213
Riversidepebble	3080	755	2 in 12		0.142	0.185	0.134	0.167	0.179	0.218
	3080	756	4 in 12		0.165	0.197	0.164	0.178	0.201	0.228
	3080	757	8 in 12		0.148	0.187	0.148	0.178	0.188	0.234
Ebony	5047	758	2 in 12		0.137	0.199	0.112	0.142	0.151	0.210
	5047	759	4 in 12		0.141	0.197	0.109	0.137	0.147	0.203
	5047	760	8 in 12		0.141	0.191	0.111	0.137	0.144	0.200
Lincoln Green	4087	761	2 in 12		0.155	0.210	0.151	0.170	0.190	0.224
	4087	762	4 in 12		0.177	0.217	0.157	0.189	0.201	0.237
	4087	763	8 in 12		0.185	0.218	0.161	0.186	0.197	0.228
Shepherd Artic Match										
Blue Artic		764	2 in 12		0.246	0.262	0.238	0.230	0.231	0.252
		765	4 in 12		0.237	0.249	0.220	0.229	0.226	0.257
		766	8 in 12		0.226	0.251	0.206	0.217	0.222	0.246
Red Artic		767	2 in 12		0.312	0.294	0.377	0.279	0.287	0.285
		768	4 in 12		0.331	0.297	0.313	0.316	0.323	0.311
		769	8 in 12		0.321	0.297	0.302	0.299	0.300	0.297
Brown Artic		770	2 in 12		0.251	0.264	0.250	0.242	0.245	0.263
		771	4 in 12		0.259	0.266	0.253	0.253	0.251	0.266
		772	8 in 12		0.260	0.263	0.248	0.248	0.248	0.263

Appendix A

Richmond Exposure Site (RS05)

Painted metal, clay and concrete tile roof products with and without cool color pigments were placed on top of the steep-slope roof at Steelscape Inc.'s warehouse in Richmond, CA. Coupons of the roof products were installed in exposure rack assemblies, which are 5.5-ft high by 9-ft long, and divided into three sub-frames having respective slopes of 2-, 4- and 8-in of rise for 12-in of run (i.e., slopes of 9.5°, 18.4° and 33.7°). Each sub-frame can hold two “Sure-Grip” sub-assemblies, which are designed to have 6 rows of samples with 34-in of usable space in each row. Sample size is 3.5-in by 3.5-in. Orientation of the racks was set at 235° CCW (facing directly east represents 0° CCW), so the roof coupons faced south, south-west to receive almost full solar exposure.

Access to the samples required the use of a high lift and trained operator. Personnel used fall protection while climbing onto the 15-ft elevated roof. On one occasion the lift was not available and data was therefore omitted for the 0.959 year time.

Figure A.5. Exposure rack mounted on the roof of the Steelscape warehouse in Richmond, CA.

Richmond, CA Solar Reflectance Field Data

Table A.5

				EXPOSURE TIME (YRS)						
	Identifier	Code	Slope	0.000	0.748	0.959	1.638	2.501	3.589	4.055
BASF PVDF Painted Metal										
Regal White	872W2	400	2 in 12	0.742	0.632		0.718	0.720	0.716	0.692
	872W2	401	4 in 12	0.742	0.633		0.716	0.720	0.720	0.682
	872W2	402	8 in 12	0.742	0.620		0.713	0.724	0.666	0.676
	815W98	403	4 in 12	0.688	0.581		0.661	0.670	0.669	0.493
Rawhide	872T6	404	2 in 12	0.569	0.492		0.546	Pulled		
	872T6	405	4 in 12	0.569	0.490		0.544	Pulled		
	872T6	406	8 in 12	0.568	0.484		0.544	Pulled		
	836T223	407	4 in 12	0.440	0.381		0.415	0.429	0.428	0.424
Slate Blue	872B7	408	2 in 12	0.282	0.257		0.262	0.265	0.273	0.278
	872B7	409	4 in 12	0.281	0.259		0.261	0.275	0.273	0.275
	872B7	410	8 in 12	0.280	0.256		0.260	0.275	0.274	0.276
	815B49	411	4 in 12	0.172	0.172		0.161	0.174	0.175	0.180
Brick Red	872R10	412	2 in 12	0.374	0.341		0.358	0.376	0.371	0.358
	872R10	413	4 in 12	0.375	0.339		0.360	0.375	0.370	0.357
	872R10	414	8 in 12	0.373	0.340		0.357	0.375	0.372	0.359
	815R71	415	4 in 12	0.195	0.192		0.184	0.198	0.197	0.186
Charcoal Gray	872D6	416	2 in 12	0.308	0.297		0.301	0.319	0.313	0.302
	872D6	417	4 in 12	0.308	0.295		0.300	0.317	0.313	0.298
	872D6	418	8 in 12	0.308	0.294		0.299		0.314	0.302
	815D119	419	4 in 12	0.122	0.132		0.115	0.126	0.127	0.132
Hartford Green	872G16	420	2 in 12	0.272	0.264		0.262	0.278	0.274	0.263
	872G16	421	4 in 12	0.273	0.260		0.261	0.275	0.272	0.267
	872G16	422	8 in 12	0.272	0.260		0.258	0.276	0.277	0.267
	815G37	423	4 in 12	0.088	0.106		0.084	0.094	0.095	0.102
Slate Bronze	872T3	424	2 in 12	0.262	0.252		0.254	0.269	0.267	0.264
	872T3	425	4 in 12	0.263	0.252		0.254	0.270	0.268	0.234
	872T3	426	8 in 12	0.263	0.250		0.251	0.266	0.268	0.262
	815T119	427	4 in 12	0.118	0.127		0.112	0.123	0.123	0.130
MCA Clay Tile										
White Buff	2F44	428	2 in 12	0.630	0.585		0.585	0.583	0.546	0.541
	2F44	429	4 in 12	0.643	0.585		0.603	0.601	0.576	0.520
	2F44	430	8 in 12	0.651	0.564		0.586	0.590	0.567	0.572
Apricot Buff	CF50	431	2 in 12	0.602	0.529		0.539	0.531	0.509	0.492
	CF50	432	4 in 12	0.599	0.511		0.535	0.532	0.513	0.498
	CF50	433	8 in 12	0.607	0.549		0.566	0.564	0.541	0.523
Adobe Gray	2F71	434	2 in 12	0.424	0.395		0.397	0.404	0.387	0.385
	2F71	435	4 in 12	0.441	0.388		0.393	0.400	0.380	0.370
	2F71	436	8 in 12	0.427	0.390		0.395	0.401	0.386	0.372
Regency Blue	2F52	437	2 in 12	0.435	0.389		0.369	0.378	0.366	0.370
	2F52	438	4 in 12	0.433	0.385		0.374	0.382	0.365	0.359
	2F52	439	8 in 12	0.432	0.372		0.366	0.375	0.363	0.340

Richmond, CA Solar Reflectance Field Data

Table A.5

	Identifier	Code	Slope	EXPOSURE TIME (YRS)						
				0.000	0.748	0.959	1.638	2.501	3.589	4.055
Natural Red	F40	440	2 in 12	0.459	0.408		0.411	0.418	0.403	0.386
	F40	441	4 in 12	0.458	0.419		0.427	0.433	0.417	0.420
	F40	442	8 in 12	0.461	0.428		0.428	0.434	0.418	0.403
Weathered Green	B305	443	2 in 12	0.420	0.362		0.373	0.373	0.359	0.340
	B305	444	4 in 12	0.411	0.385		0.387	0.396	0.378	0.368
	B305	445	8 in 12	0.413	0.362		0.374	0.382	0.370	0.355
Ironwood	2F19	446	2 in 12	0.269	0.258		0.245	0.259	0.248	0.248
	2F19	447	4 in 12	0.272	0.259		0.247	0.263	0.255	0.260
	2F19	448	8 in 12	0.268	NA		0.249	0.265	0.258	0.253
US Clay Tile										
Buff Blend		479	2 in 12		0.585		0.552	0.577	0.532	0.546
Bermuda Blend		480	2 in 12		0.489		0.457	0.467	0.438	0.441
Monierlife Concrete Tile										
Terra Cotta Red	6978	449	2 in 12		0.196		0.177	0.207	0.225	0.234
	6978	450	4 in 12		0.180		0.176	0.210	0.215	0.200
	6978	451	8 in 12		0.194		0.184	0.219	0.234	0.200
Hearthside	3083	452	2 in 12		0.125		0.154	0.159	0.165	0.163
	3083	453	4 in 12		0.134		0.142	0.160	0.162	0.167
	3083	454	8 in 12		0.125		0.137	0.155	0.157	0.166
Riversidepebble	3080	455	2 in 12		0.154		0.175	0.189	0.170	0.201
	3080	456	4 in 12		0.139		0.161	0.171	0.168	0.171
	3080	457	8 in 12		0.143		0.171	0.166	0.172	0.180
Ebony	5047	458	2 in 12		0.146		0.123	0.144		0.168
	5047	459	4 in 12		0.145		0.130	0.151	0.153	0.158
	5047	460	8 in 12		0.141		0.128	0.148	0.148	0.160
Lincoln Green	4087	461	2 in 12		0.157		0.165	0.193	0.198	0.190
	4087	462	4 in 12		0.171		0.174	0.206	0.209	0.217
	4087	463	8 in 12		0.161		0.163	0.192	0.202	0.207
Shepherd Artic Match										
Blue Artic		464	2 in 12		0.230		0.214	0.223	0.224	0.225
		465	4 in 12		0.234		0.215	0.237	0.235	0.250
		466	8 in 12		0.241		0.219	0.229	0.233	0.236
Red Artic		467	2 in 12		0.284		0.266	0.266	0.257	0.267
		468	4 in 12		0.277		0.264	0.261	0.250	0.263
		469	8 in 12		0.270		0.258	0.260	0.249	0.255
Brown Artic		470	2 in 12		0.262		0.252	0.258		0.253
		471	4 in 12		0.249		0.246	0.251	0.245	0.231
		472	8 in 12		0.247		0.253	0.251	0.249	0.247

Appendix A

Sacramento Exposure Site (RS06)

Painted metal, clay and concrete tile roof products with and without cool color pigments were placed on top of the low-slope roof at Custom-Bilt's warehouse in Sacramento, CA. Coupons of the roof products were installed in exposure rack assemblies, which are 5.5-ft high by 9-ft long, and divided into three sub-frames having respective slopes of 2-, 4- and 8-in of rise for 12-in of run (i.e., slopes of 9.5°, 18.4° and 33.7°). Each sub-frame can hold two "Sure-Grip" sub-assemblies, which are designed to have 6 rows of samples with 34-in of usable space in each row. Sample size is 3.5-in by 3.5-in. Orientation of the racks was set at 270° CCW (facing directly east represents 0° CCW), so the roof coupons faced almost directly south to receive full solar exposure.

Figure A.6. Exposure rack mounted on the low-slope roof of Custom-Bilt Metal's warehouse in Sacramento, CA.

Sacramento, CA Solar Reflectance Field Data

Table A.6

				EXPOSURE TIME (YRS)						
	Identifier	Code	Slope	0.000	0.564	0.959	1.638	2.501	3.589	4.055
BASF PVDF Painted Metal										
Regal White	872W2	300	1.359 in 12	0.743	0.699	0.646	0.689	0.685	0.642	0.591
	872W2	301	3.313 in 12	0.742	0.708	0.630	0.699	0.686	0.651	0.617
	872W2	302	7.122 in 12	0.744	0.706	0.659	0.698	0.688	0.674	0.625
	815W98	303	3.313 in 12	0.687	0.653	0.601	0.640	0.634	0.595	0.553
Rawhide	872T6	304	1.359 in 12	0.570	0.533	0.511	0.525	0.529	0.477	0.466
	872T6	305	3.313 in 12	0.568	0.533	0.510	0.529	0.528	0.525	0.509
	872T6	306	7.122 in 12	0.568	0.535	0.508	0.531	0.533	0.511	0.481
	836T223	307	3.313 in 12	0.439	0.410	0.403	0.401	0.408	0.385	0.523
Slate Blue	872B7	308	1.359 in 12	0.281	0.263	0.282	0.257	0.267	0.247	0.266
	872B7	309	3.313 in 12	0.282	0.264	0.281	0.256	0.271	0.263	0.275
	872B7	310	7.122 in 12	0.282	0.264	0.281	0.259	0.270	0.263	0.273
	815B49	311	3.313 in 12	0.172	0.162	0.194	0.161	0.176	0.170	0.198
Brick Red	872R10	312	1.359 in 12	0.374	0.348	0.361	0.351	0.362	0.350	0.346
	872R10	313	3.313 in 12	0.373	0.348	0.361	0.353	0.365	0.346	0.344
	872R10	314	7.122 in 12	0.374	0.350	0.357	0.354	0.369	0.359	0.349
	815R71	315	3.313 in 12	0.195	0.182	0.214	0.183	0.196	0.191	0.214
Charcoal Gray	872D6	316	1.359 in 12	0.309	0.286	0.308	0.293	0.307	0.285	0.274
	872D6	317	3.313 in 12	0.308	0.288	0.310	0.296	0.311	0.304	0.269
	872D6	318	7.122 in 12	0.308	0.289	0.308	0.297	0.311	0.306	0.304
	815D119	319	3.313 in 12	0.123	0.113	0.154	0.116	0.128	0.126	0.130
Hartford Green	872G16	320	1.359 in 12	0.272	0.253	0.279	0.257	0.270	0.256	0.267
	872G16	321	3.313 in 12	0.271	0.253	0.279	0.258	0.271	0.260	0.267
	872G16	322	7.122 in 12	0.271	0.253	0.278	0.259	0.273	0.267	0.272
	815G37	323	3.313 in 12	0.088	0.084	0.126	0.085	0.097	0.095	0.130
Slate Bronze	872T3	324	1.359 in 12	0.262	0.244	0.272	0.251	0.261	0.253	0.265
	872T3	325	3.313 in 12	0.262	0.246	0.274	0.251	0.264	0.257	0.268
	872T3	326	7.122 in 12	0.262	0.247	0.271	0.251	0.264	0.261	0.278
	815T119	327	3.313 in 12	0.118	0.111	0.138	0.111	0.123	0.120	0.179
MCA Clay Tile										
White Buff	2F44	328	1.359 in 12	0.644	0.597	0.572	0.568	0.583	0.505	0.464
	2F44	329	3.313 in 12	0.652	0.600	0.578	0.574	0.588	0.526	0.498
	2F44	330	7.122 in 12	0.630	0.596	0.584	0.585	0.580	0.515	0.492
Apricot Buff	CF50	331	1.359 in 12	0.600	0.535	0.529	0.520	0.509	0.442	0.418
	CF50	332	3.313 in 12	0.611	0.557	0.539	0.536	0.534	0.480	0.454
	CF50	333	7.122 in 12	0.606	0.554	0.545	0.539	0.537	0.482	0.457
Adobe Gray	2F71	334	1.359 in 12	0.423	0.397	0.404	0.390	0.401	0.363	0.352
	2F71	335	3.313 in 12	0.418	0.421	0.425	0.415	0.434	0.392	0.377
	2F71	336	7.122 in 12	0.423	0.412	0.419	0.409	0.419	0.383	0.368
Regency Blue	2F52	337	1.359 in 12	0.416	0.394	0.408	0.384	0.392	0.349	0.343
	2F52	338	3.313 in 12	0.428	0.388	0.398	0.375	0.384	0.341	0.377
	2F52	339	7.122 in 12	0.413	0.397	0.408	0.387	0.398	0.365	0.365

Sacramento, CA Solar Reflectance Field Data

Table A.6

	Identifier	Code	Slope	EXPOSURE TIME (YRS)						
				0.000	0.748	0.959	1.638	2.501	3.589	4.055
Natural Red	F40	440	2 in 12	0.459	0.408	0.408	0.411	0.418	0.403	0.386
	F40	441	4 in 12	0.458	0.419	0.419	0.427	0.433	0.417	0.420
	F40	442	8 in 12	0.461	0.428	0.428	0.428	0.434	0.418	0.403
Weathered Green	B305	443	2 in 12	0.420	0.362	0.362	0.373	0.373	0.359	0.340
	B305	444	4 in 12	0.411	0.385	0.385	0.387	0.396	0.378	0.368
	B305	445	8 in 12	0.413	0.362	0.362	0.374	0.382	0.370	0.355
Ironwood	2F19	446	2 in 12	0.269	0.258	0.258	0.245	0.259	0.248	0.248
	2F19	447	4 in 12	0.272	0.259	0.259	0.247	0.263	0.255	0.260
	2F19	448	8 in 12	0.268	NA	NA	0.249	0.265	0.258	0.253
US Clay Tile										
Buff Blend		479	2 in 12		0.585	0.585	0.552	0.577	0.532	0.546
Bermuda Blend		480	2 in 12		0.489	0.489	0.457	0.467	0.438	0.441
Monierlife Concrete Tile										
Terra Cotta Red	6978	449	2 in 12		0.196	0.196	0.177	0.207	0.225	0.234
	6978	450	4 in 12		0.180	0.180	0.176	0.210	0.215	0.200
	6978	451	8 in 12		0.194	0.194	0.184	0.219	0.234	0.200
Hearthside	3083	452	2 in 12		0.125	0.125	0.154	0.159	0.165	0.163
	3083	453	4 in 12		0.134	0.134	0.142	0.160	0.162	0.167
	3083	454	8 in 12		0.125	0.125	0.137	0.155	0.157	0.166
Riversidepebble	3080	455	2 in 12		0.154	0.154	0.175	0.189	0.170	0.201
	3080	456	4 in 12		0.139	0.139	0.161	0.171	0.168	0.171
	3080	457	8 in 12		0.143	0.143	0.171	0.166	0.172	0.180
Ebony	5047	458	2 in 12		0.146	0.146	0.123	0.144		0.168
	5047	459	4 in 12		0.145	0.145	0.130	0.151	0.153	0.158
	5047	460	8 in 12		0.141	0.141	0.128	0.148	0.148	0.160
Lincoln Green	4087	461	2 in 12		0.157	0.157	0.165	0.193	0.198	0.190
	4087	462	4 in 12		0.171	0.171	0.174	0.206	0.209	0.217
	4087	463	8 in 12		0.161	0.161	0.163	0.192	0.202	0.207
Shepherd Artic Match										
Blue Artic		464	2 in 12		0.230	0.230	0.214	0.223	0.224	0.225
		465	4 in 12		0.234	0.234	0.215	0.237	0.235	0.250
		466	8 in 12		0.241	0.241	0.219	0.229	0.233	0.236
Red Artic		467	2 in 12		0.284	0.284	0.266	0.266	0.257	0.267
		468	4 in 12		0.277	0.277	0.264	0.261	0.250	0.263
		469	8 in 12		0.270	0.270	0.258	0.260	0.249	0.255
Brown Artic		470	2 in 12		0.262	0.262	0.252	0.258		0.253
		471	4 in 12		0.249	0.249	0.246	0.251	0.245	0.231
		472	8 in 12		0.247	0.247	0.253	0.251	0.249	0.247

Appendix A

McArthur Exposure Site (RS07)

Painted metal, clay and concrete tile roof products with and without cool color pigments were placed at ground level in a fenced pasture at McArthur Farms, McArthur, CA. Coupons of the roof products were installed in exposure rack assemblies, which are 5.5-ft high by 9-ft long, and divided into three sub-frames having respective slopes of 2-, 4- and 8-in of rise for 12-in of run (i.e., slopes of 9.5°, 18.4° and 33.7°). Each sub-frame can hold two “Sure-Grip” sub-assemblies, which are designed to have 6 rows of samples with 34-in of usable space in each row. Sample size is 3.5-in by 3.5-in. Orientation of the racks was set at 0° CCW and faced directly east into the rising sun for representing exposure seen on an east facing residential roof.

Figure A.7. Exposure rack ground mounted at McArthur Farms, CA.

McArthur, CA Solar Reflectance Field Data

Table A.7

				EXPOSURE TIME (YRS)						
	Identifier	Code	Slope	0.000	0.764	0.959	1.644	2.507	3.589	4.060
BASF PVDF Painted Metal										
Regal White	872W2	800	2 in 12	0.742	0.72	0.697	0.719	0.725	0.721	0.692
	872W2	801	4 in 12	0.741	0.723	0.704	0.725	0.729	0.731	0.714
	872W2	802	8 in 12	0.741	0.725	0.701	0.722	0.726	0.731	0.716
	815W98	803	4 in 12	0.69	0.665	0.658	0.667	0.667	0.676	0.655
Rawhide	872T6	804	2 in 12	0.571	0.548	0.543	0.551	Pulled		
	872T6	805	4 in 12	0.57	0.546	0.544	0.547	Pulled		
	872T6	806	8 in 12	0.571	0.545	0.545	0.547	Pulled		
	836T223	807	4 in 12	0.44	0.42	0.426	0.416	Pulled		
Slate Blue	872B7	808	2 in 12	0.282	0.271	0.277	0.265	0.280	0.277	0.182
	872B7	809	4 in 12	0.283	0.27	0.277	0.263	0.281	0.276	0.255
	872B7	810	8 in 12	0.282	0.271	0.227	0.265	0.279	0.276	0.285
	815B49	811	4 in 12	0.171	0.164	0.176	0.161	0.175	0.172	0.260
Brick Red	872R10	812	2 in 12	0.375	0.357	0.376	0.366	0.383	0.378	0.371
	872R10	813	4 in 12	0.375	0.357	0.375	0.364	0.383	0.377	0.370
	872R10	814	8 in 12	0.376	0.359	0.376	0.366	0.383	0.379	0.377
	815R71	815	4 in 12	0.195	0.186	0.201	0.184	0.277	0.197	0.206
Charcoal Gray	872D6	816	2 in 12	0.308	0.294	0.316	0.304	0.317	0.315	0.300
	872D6	817	4 in 12	0.308	0.294	0.317	0.302	0.320	0.315	0.308
	872D6	818	8 in 12	0.307	0.294	0.316	0.304	0.320	0.316	0.310
	815D119	819	4 in 12	0.122	0.119	0.133	0.116	0.128	0.124	0.146
Hartford Green	872G16	820	2 in 12	0.272	0.258	0.281	0.264	0.280	0.270	0.271
	872G16	821	4 in 12	0.272	0.256	0.279	0.261	0.278	0.271	0.277
	872G16	822	8 in 12	0.27	0.259	0.279	0.266	0.280	0.274	0.269
	815G37	823	4 in 12	0.088	0.087	0.099	0.084	0.096	0.093	0.107
Slate Bronze	872T3	824	2 in 12	0.262	0.251	0.268	0.256	0.270	0.266	0.269
	872T3	825	4 in 12	0.263	0.251	0.27	0.255	0.272	0.269	0.269
	872T3	826	8 in 12	0.262	0.251	0.269	0.255	0.270	0.269	0.268
	815T119	827	4 in 12	0.117	0.115	0.128	0.112	0.125	0.122	0.153
MCA Clay Tile										
White Buff	2F44	828	2 in 12	0.63	0.612	0.597	0.606	0.608	0.614	0.610
	2F44	829	4 in 12	0.632	0.612	0.614	0.611	0.617	0.616	0.621
	2F44	830	8 in 12	0.643	0.619	0.614	0.619	0.626	0.621	0.632
Apricot Buff	CF50	831	2 in 12	0.617	0.621	0.612	0.615	0.618	0.613	0.617
	CF50	832	4 in 12	0.597	0.567	0.568	0.567	0.577	0.563	0.573
	CF50	833	8 in 12	0.607	0.58	0.582	0.582	0.590	0.586	0.592
Adobe Gray	2F71	834	2 in 12	0.446	0.417	0.43	0.424	0.433	0.433	0.427
	2F71	835	4 in 12	0.448	0.403	0.419	0.407	0.423	0.417	0.413
	2F71	836	8 in 12	0.436	0.425	0.441	0.43	0.449	0.444	0.450
Regency Blue	2F52	837	2 in 12	0.424	0.413	0.418	0.41	0.418	0.418	0.421
	2F52	838	4 in 12	0.417	0.415	0.418	0.414	0.425	0.416	0.427
	2F52	839	8 in 12	0.42	0.4	0.406	0.4	0.405	0.401	0.406

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Table A.7

	Identifier	Code	Slope	EXPOSURE TIME (YRS)						
				0.000	0.764	0.959	1.644	2.507	3.589	4.060
Natural Red	F40	840	2 in 12	0.457	0.43	0.435	0.427	0.445	0.441	0.452
	F40	841	4 in 12	0.467	0.42	0.429	0.421	0.441	0.426	0.426
	F40	842	8 in 12	0.459	0.442	0.451	0.442	0.460	0.451	0.457
Weathered Green	B305	843	2 in 12	0.405	0.378	0.387	0.376	0.398	0.382	0.389
	B305	844	4 in 12	0.402	0.396	0.418	0.397	0.413	0.404	0.416
	B305	845	8 in 12	0.408	0.387	0.399	0.391	0.408	0.390	0.401
Ironwood	2F19	846	2 in 12	0.261	0.25	0.269	0.253	0.265	0.263	0.267
	2F19	847	4 in 12	0.263	0.247	0.265	0.251	0.274	0.260	0.260
	2F19	848	8 in 12	0.263	0.249	0.265	0.25	0.268	0.264	0.264
US Clay Tile										
Buff Blend		879	2 in 12		0.578	0.576	0.577	0.563	0.559	0.562
Bermuda Blend		880	2 in 12		0.493	0.486	0.49	0.496	0.471	0.460
Monierlife Concrete Tile										
Terra Cotta Red	6978	849	2 in 12		0.186	0.192	0.176	0.204	0.209	0.210
	6978	850	4 in 12		0.196	0.2	0.2	0.204	0.220	0.231
	6978	851	8 in 12		0.186	0.194	0.182	0.213	0.216	0.222
Hearthside	3083	852	2 in 12		0.14	0.153	0.157	0.175	0.161	0.172
	3083	853	4 in 12		0.131	0.164	0.146	0.179	0.182	0.190
	3083	854	8 in 12		0.136	0.15	0.16	0.168	0.168	0.171
Riversidepebble	3080	855	2 in 12		0.136	0.149	0.148	0.138	0.150	0.147
	3080	856	4 in 12		0.135	0.139	0.146	0.160	0.159	0.164
	3080	857	8 in 12		0.143	0.152	0.145	0.155	0.156	0.152
Ebony	5047	858	2 in 12		0.137	0.145	0.125	0.157	0.151	0.147
	5047	859	4 in 12		0.14	0.135	0.115	0.133	0.145	0.152
	5047	860	8 in 12		0.137	0.134	0.117	0.148	0.147	0.150
Lincoln Green	4087	861	2 in 12		0.171	0.181	0.165	0.193	0.193	0.201
	4087	862	4 in 12		0.156	0.155	0.155	0.165	0.171	0.217
	4087	863	8 in 12		0.162	0.161	0.16	0.185	0.189	0.192
Shepherd Artic Match										
Blue Artic		864	2 in 12		0.24	0.258	0.229	0.245	0.206	0.237
		865	4 in 12		0.236	0.249	0.227	0.239	0.240	0.252
		866	8 in 12		0.24	0.243	0.227	0.228	0.209	0.210
Red Artic		867	2 in 12		0.259	0.274	0.247	0.254	0.228	0.231
		868	4 in 12		0.332	0.32	0.295	0.300	0.285	0.303
		869	8 in 12		0.267	0.28	0.263	0.266	0.251	0.265
Brown Artic		870	2 in 12		0.26	0.273	0.254	0.259	0.245	0.232
		871	4 in 12		0.25	0.273	0.249	0.260	0.235	0.263
		872	8 in 12		0.256	0.277	0.258	0.265	0.249	0.231

Appendix B

Additional notes on soil optical properties

The soil parameters a and r can be determined by fitting if reflectance change measurements are available for two or more substrates with different R_o , using Eq.(2) in the main text. We plot the absolute change in reflectance versus the initial reflectance and show optimal values for soil absorption and reflectance using least squares fitting and Matlab's backslash operator. We also verified this automated approach through fitting by hand to detect confounding data patterns.

Figure B1 shows an example of the fitting procedure, for Shafter at 1 year. The data are taken from Appendix A using the PVDF samples. The slope chosen is that for which there are both cool and standard samples. The open squares are the fitted curve. A color photograph of a Shafter sample at 1 year is shown in Figure 3 of the main text. Figure B2 shows similar fits for the other 6 sites at 1 year. Figure B3 shows data for Shafter after 1.6 years. At this point it was spring in California and much of the soil deposits have been removed by rain. Some of the scatter in the data points is due to other factors such as spectrally selective interaction between the various substrates and the spectral properties of the soil. In the presence of data scatter, it is desirable to use substrates with widely different R_o .

Figure B4 shows similar plots for the other 6 sites. Despite the scatter, in all cases we obtain a non-zero value for a . In most cases we obtain a value for r , but it is sometimes not distinguishable from zero.

Fig. B1. Measured (filled diamonds) and fitted (open squares) absolute changes in reflectance due to sample soiling. High reflectance samples lose reflectance when soiled and low-reflectance samples gain reflectance.

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The results of the curve fitting exercise are collected in Table B1. Judging by the absorptances, the amount of material remaining at 1.6 years is only $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{1}{8}$ of that present at 1 year. Thus the weathering, presumably due to dew and rain transport, significantly cleaned the substrates. Note that already even at 1 year, the photograph of the Shafter sample in Fig. 3 of the main text shows transport of soil along the surface of the sample to the lower edge. Thus the weathering process significantly alters the original dry atmospheric deposition. Note that the r -values were reduced even more than a -values at 1.6 years, compared to 1 year. This means that the weathering process not only reduced the quantity of soil originally deposited, but that it altered the composition as well. Of course water-soluble components are expected to be transported by rain, but small and low-density particles are likely to be transported as well. Remaining particles are likely to be larger in size, higher in density, and/or able to adhere to the substrate.

Table B1. Soil absorptance and reflectance at 1 year, and at 1.6 years. The 1 year data were at the end of the dry summer period, while the 1.6 year data were obtained in the spring, after winter rainfall.

Site	1 year absorptance a	1 year reflectance r	1 yr r/a	1.6 years absorptance a	1.6 years reflectance r	1.6 yr r/a
El Centro	0.10	0.13	1.3	0.012	0.009	0.8
Corona	0.090	0.085	0.9	0.048	0.013	0.3
Colton	0.14	0.15	1.1	0.045	0.008	0.2
Shafter	0.105	0.085	0.8	0.04	0.005	0.1
Richmond	0.075	0.036	0.5	0.025	< 0.003	< 0.1
Sacramento	0.060	0.058	1.0	0.03	< 0.003	< 0.1
McArthur	0.025	0.021	0.8	0.022	< 0.003	< 0.2

Finally, Table B2 shows the measured concentrations of iron, organic carbon, and elemental carbon at 1.6 years. Plotting a - and r -values against iron concentration in Fig. B5, we find that higher values of these parameters are associated with higher iron concentrations. The statistical R^2 values are 0.48 for a and 0.38 for r . Corresponding values for organic carbon (0.03 for a) and elemental carbon (0.01 for a) were quite low.

The tentative picture that emerges is that iron-containing mineral dust tends to remain on the Teflon-like PVDF surfaces washed by rain. Concentrations of iron were as large as about 70 mg/m². Iron in the ferric 3+ valence state is associated with strong absorption in the short wavelength portion of the solar spectrum (wavelength < 550 nm), as in the case of small hematite particles where the absorption strength is 4 m²/g. Multiplying these two figures we obtain a crude estimate of 0.28 for short wavelength absorptance. The short wavelength part of

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Table B2. Concentrations of three substances that could be associated with soil absorptance and reflectance. Iron has a significant correlation (see Fig. B5).

Site	Exposure Time (1.6 years)		
	Iron (mg/m ²)	Organic C (mg/m ²)	Elemental C (mg/m ²)
El Centro	33	8.3	0.2
Corona	68	5.5	0.2
Colton	67	6.1	0.2
Shafter	32	5.6	0.4
Richmond	44	11	1.3
Sacramento	42	4.5	0.2
McArthur	5	1.3	~ 0.02

the solar spectrum of interest here contains about $\frac{1}{4}$ of the total solar flux. Thus we estimate that the solar average absorptance due to 70 mg/m² of iron could be about 0.07. This number compares well with the ~ 0.05 absorptance at the sites with the highest iron concentration. This rough agreement could be an accident, but at least our picture is consistent.

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