

**Supporting Information for**

**Fluorescent Bioaerosol Particles Resulting from Human**

**Occupancy With and Without Respirators**

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**Table S1.** The average concentration of the fluorescent biological aerosol particles in ambient environment and human exhaled breath detected by the UV-APS;  $c_1$  represents the mean concentration of exhaled bioaerosols of 12 people; 12 people were divided into 3 groups, and each group was studied at different times.  $c_0$  was the mean concentration of environmental bioaerosols measured; data sets by the UV-APS were recorded every 1 minute.

$N_{FP} (cm^{-3})$			
Average of environmental bioaerosol concentration ( $c_0$ )	Average of exhaled bioaerosols ( $c_1$ )	$c_1/c_0$	The average of $c_1/c_0$
0.061499	0.077398	1.26	2.57 ± 1.46
	0.096798	1.57	
	0.311994	5.07	
	0.130797	2.13	
0.027499	0.039999	1.45	
	0.053199	1.93	
	0.062999	2.29	
	0.045999	1.67	
0.111198	0.348993	3.14	
	0.123398	1.11	
	0.423591	3.81	
	0.597388	5.37	
0.066732	0.192713	2.57	

**Table S2.** The average concentration of the fluorescent biological aerosol particles in indoor air when there were no people or 5 people present in the controlled environment and the emission rate of bioaerosols released from humans; V represents the space of the controlled environment: 27 m<sup>3</sup>; q represents the number of people in the controlled environment; t represents the monitoring time: 30 minutes.

Number of experiment	N <sub>FP</sub> (cm <sup>-3</sup> )		c <sub>1</sub> -c <sub>0</sub>	Percentage increase (%)	Emission rate of bioaerosols released from humans (10 <sup>6</sup> particles person <sup>-1</sup> hour <sup>-1</sup> )
	Average bioaerosol concentration when no-person-in (c <sub>0</sub> )	Average bioaerosol concentration when 5-persons-in for 30 min (c <sub>1</sub> )			
#1	0.15450	0.24595	0.0915	59.2	0.988
#2*	0.15986	0.70962	0.5498	343.9(Outlier)	5.937(Outlier)
#3	0.04387	0.10906	0.0652	148.6	0.704
#4	0.06610	0.14153	0.0754	114.1	0.815
#5**	0.11400	0.14328	0.0293	25.7	0.633
Average of 1, 3 and 4	0.0881 ± 0.058	0.1655 ± 0.0715	0.07736 ± 0.0133	107.3 ± 45.1	0.8357 ± 0.1431

**Note:** “\*” indicates that the percentage increase of N<sub>FP</sub> was an outlier, so averages were calculated using the experiments: #1, #3 and #4 only; “\*\*” indicates that the fifth experiment only monitored 15 minutes.

**Table S3.** The percentage increase of the controlled environmental fluorescent biological aerosol particles under different circumstances; the percentage increase was calculated by using mean value of bioaerosol concentration under different situations.

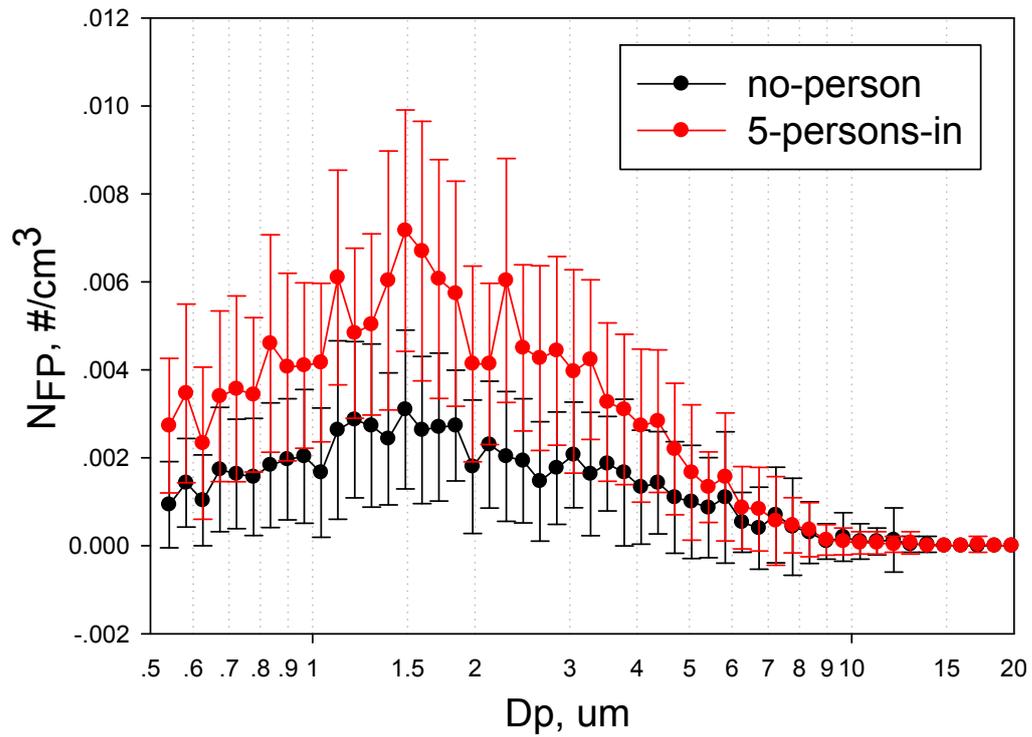
<b>Number of experiment</b>	<b>Percentage increase when 5 persons in compared to “no-person-1” (%)</b>	<b>Percentage increase when 5 persons in with N95 respirators compared to “no-person-2” (%)</b>	<b>Percentage increase when 5 persons in with “Doctor masks” compared to “no-person-3” (%)</b>
<b>1</b>	59	73	NA
<b>2</b>	344(Outlier)*	101	14
<b>3</b>	149	70	48
<b>4</b>	114	NA	NA
<b>average</b>	107±45	81±17	31±24

**\*The outlier (344) was not included in the average calculation; “NA” in the table indicates that relevant data were not obtained.**

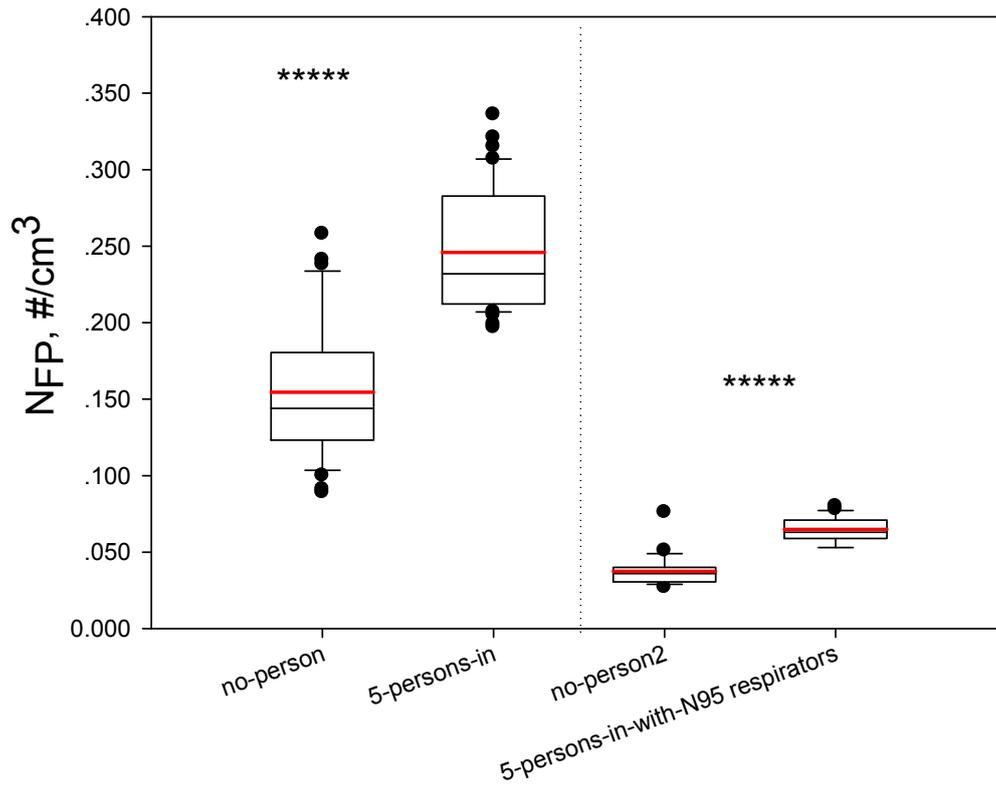
**Table S4.** The percentage increase of the particle number concentration of particulate matters under different circumstances; the percentage increase was calculated by using mean values of aerosol particle concentrations under different situations (a negative value indicates a decline in the number concentration (>0.5  $\mu\text{m}$ )).

<b>Number of experiment</b>	<b>Percentage increase when 5 persons in compared to “no-person-1” (%)</b>	<b>Percentage increase when 5 persons in with N95 respirators compared to “no-person-2” (%)</b>	<b>Percentage increase when 5 persons in with “Doctor masks” compared to “no-person-3” (%)</b>
<b>#1</b>	-31	10	NA
<b>#2</b>	-15	2	-15
<b>#3</b>	-42	9	-15
<b>#4</b>	-5	NA	NA
<b>average</b>	-23±16	7±4	-15

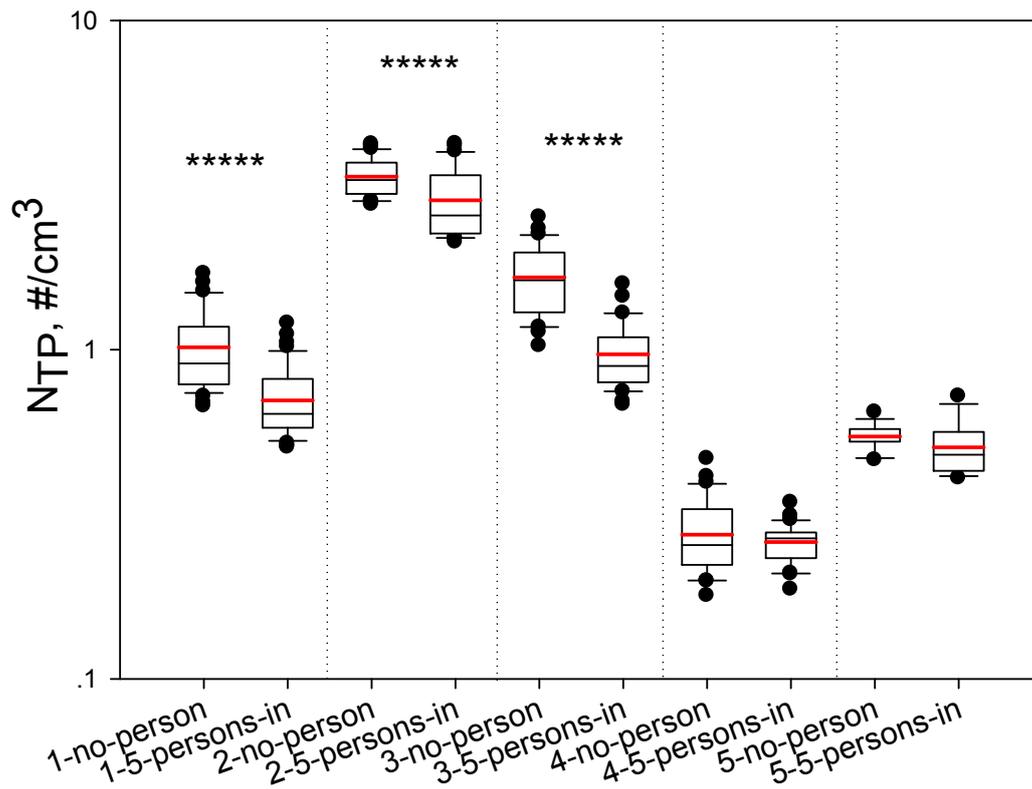
Note: “NA” in the table indicates that relevant data were not obtained.



**Fig. S1.** The average size distribution of the fluorescent biological aerosol particles detected by the UV-APS when there are no people or 5 people in the controlled environment from the fourth experiments;  $D_p$  represents aerodynamic diameter, and  $N_{FP}$  represents the concentration of fluorescent biological aerosol particles; data points represent means and standard deviations of environmental bioaerosols, and data set was recorded every 1 minute.



**Fig. S2.** The concentration levels (Boxplots) of the fluorescent biological aerosol particles in the indoor air in the controlled environment under different situations in the first experiment; the monitoring time was 30 minutes for each situation.  $D_p$  represents aerodynamic diameter, and  $N_{FP}$  represents the concentration of fluorescent biological aerosol particles in the indoor air in the controlled environment; data set was recorded every 1 minute. Data points represent concentration values of every 1 minute data. \*\*\*\*\* indicates a statistically significant difference.



**Fig. S3.** The particle ( $\geq 0.3 \mu\text{m}$ ) number concentration levels (Boxplots) of the particulate matters when there are no people or 5 people in the controlled environment;  $N_{\text{TP}}$  represents the concentration of aerosol particles and the data point represents particles' concentration value of every 1 minute in indoor air. Different from the four experiments which monitored 30 minutes, the monitoring time of the fifth experiment (5-no-person) was only 15 minutes. \*\*\*\*\* indicates a statistically significant difference.