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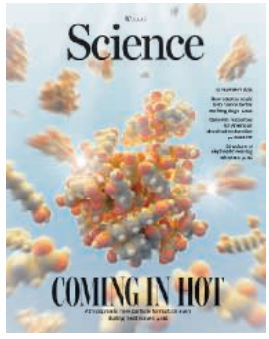

Homogeneous particle formation from gaseous precursors traditionally has been thought to be less favorable at high temperatures. By probing the compositions of atmospheric aerosols down to 3 nanometers during a heat wave, researchers discovered an essential role of carboxylic acids in new particle formation. This illustration depicts their spontaneous self-assembly into supramolecular nanoparticles—a phenomenon that could become more prevalent under a warming climate. See page 685. Illustration: C. Bickel/*Science*; Data: R. Zhang *et al.*, *Science* **391**, eady5192 (2026).

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