The paper has been modified in large portions of the original manuscript as the result of following the reviewer recommendations. Overall, the quality of the manuscript has improved significantly. A lot of new insight on the impact of using light-scattering models of particles of non-spherical shape has been presented. The results are presented in a balanced way, pointing out to the significance of using this novel light-scattering model and still emphasizing the challenges involved in investigating optical data that describe non-spherical particles.

I ask the authors to make the following minor corrections to their text.

Table 1: SUMUM to SAMUM

Line 802: … shows … - to - … show …

Line 1145: … difference … – to – … the difference …

Line 1147: … conspicuous … - to - … a conspicuous …

Line 1172: … is a much improvement … - to - … is a significant improvement …

Line 1329: … difference is … - to - … the difference is …

Line 1422: … compare … - to - … compared …

Line 1461: … with the slowly increase of … - to - … with the gradual increase of …

Line 1563: … depends … - to - … depend …

Line 1619: … has be given … - to - … has been given …

Line 1880: … noise presents. - to - … noise is present.

Line 1886/7: … likely to increase the … – to - … likely increase the …