### Supplementary Material

### 1. Observed concentrations of aerosols in China

Location	Pe	riod	Concentration (µg m <sup>-3</sup> )	Reference	Notes on measurements
		Summer	13.43		(1) The $PM_{2.5}$ samples were collected
Beijing	Aug 2001 -	Autumn	9.61	Duan et al.	(about 4.5 m above the ground). The samples were collected
(116.4°E, 39.9°N)	Sep 2002	Winter	9.88	(2006)	integrated weekly.
		Spring	6.71		
Nanjing (118.8°E, 32.0°N)	Sep	2001	11.5	Yang et al. (2005)	(2) The PM <sub>2.5</sub> samples were collected on the rooftop of a two-story building (8-10 m above the ground). Sampling started at about 8 am and ended at about 8 pm every day; each sample was collected for 12 h.
	Apr	2001	8.79	Wang et al. (2002)	<ul> <li>(3) The PM<sub>2.5</sub> samples were collected</li> <li>1.5 m above the ground. Sampling started and ended at about 8:30 am and 4:30 pm every day; each sample was collected for 8 b</li> </ul>
	1.60	2001	10.04		(4) The PM <sub>25</sub> samples were collected
	Dec 2006 – Jan 2007	Winter	9.52	Fu et al. (2008)	on the roof of a building (20 m above the ground). The sampling was from 9:00 am to 9:00 am of the next day for 24 h.
Shanghai (121.5°E, 31.2°N)	Jul – Aug 2004	Summer	5.43	-	(5) The PM <sub>2.5</sub> samples were collected on the roofof a building (~15 m above the ground ). The samples
	Mar – Apr 2004	Spring	11.73	Wang et al. (2006)	were collected in daytime (8:00-20:00) for 12 h.
	Sep – Oct 2003	Antumn	8.7		
		Spring	10.14±2.66		(6) The samplers were mounted on the rooftop of one office building (about 23 m above the ground)
Fuzhou	Apr 2007 – Jan	Summer	6.62±1.51	Xu et al. (2012)	The $PM_{2.5}$ samples were collected for 23 h.
(110.0 E, 20.1 N)	2008	Autumn	11.59±4.28		
		Winter	14.78±6.44		
Hong Kong (114.2°E, 22.3°N)	Nov 20 2(	00 – Feb 001	8.10	Ho et al. (2006)	(7) The PM <sub>2.5</sub> samples were collected at about 6-8 m above the ground. The samples were collected once every 6 days (each sampling lasted for 24-h).
Qingdao (121°E, 36.5°N)	25 Feb 20	– 15 Mar )02	11.9	Takami et al. (2006)	(8) The sampling site was about 450 m above the sea level. The sampling of PM <sub>2.5</sub> was carried out for about 24 h from 8:00 am to the
	17 Feb 2(	– 02 Mar 001	19.1		next morning.
Dalian	2006 to	Spring	11.68	Zhang et al.	(9) The rural stations were right above
(121.5°E, 39°N)	2007	Summer	15.15	(2012)	the ground level. At the urban

#### Table S1. Observed concentrations of sulfate aerosol in China

		Autumn	13.58
Gaolanshan	2006 to	Summer	7.08
(105.9°E,36.0°N)	2007	Autumn	11.91
Jinsha (114.2°E, 29.6°N)	2006 to 2007	Spring	13.35
		Spring	1.74
Lhasa	2006 to	Summer	1.85
(91.1°E, 29.7°N)	2007	Autumn	1.63
		Winter	2.21
		Spring	13.16
Lin'an	2006 to	Summer	12.09
(121.2°E, 31.1°N)	2007	Autumn	12.95
		Winter	14.32
		Spring	4.69
Longfengshan	2006 to	Summer	7.32
(127.6°E, 44.7°N)	2007	Autumn	4.73
		Winter	8.15
Nanning	2006 to	Spring	9.22
(108.3°E, 22.8°N)	2007	Winter	14.84
Panyu (113.4°E, 23.0°N)	2006 to 2007	Winter	16.28
Taiyangshan	2006 to	Spring	11.92
(111.7°E, 29.2°N)	2007	Winter	16.59

	Table 3	2. Observe	d concentration	s of nitrate	aerosol in	China
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Location	Pe	riod	Concentration (µg m <sup>-3</sup> )	Reference	Notes on measurements
Beijing	Jul 1999 - Sep	Summer	4.59	He et al. (2001)	(10) The PM <sub>2.5</sub> samplers were placed on the roof of a 3 m tall building. The samples were collected
(116.4°E, 39.9°N)	2000	Spring	7.26		Integrated weekly.
	2001-20	Autumn	9.14	Wang et al.	
	03	Winter	12.29	(2005)	
Naniing	Sep	2001	3.24	Yang et al. (2005)	Same as (2) in Table S1.
(118.8°E, 32.0°N)	Apr	2001	4.53	Wang et al.	Same as (3) in Table S1
	Feb	2001	5.67	(2002)	
	20 Mar 1999 -27 Mar 2000	Spring	5.4	Ye et al. (2002)	(11) The site was 16-m above the ground. The samples of PM <sub>2.5</sub> were collected integrated weekly.
Shanghai	Jul-Aug 2004	Summer	2.59	Wang et al.	Sama as (5) in Table S1
(121.5°E, 31.2°N)	Sep-Oct 2003	Antumn	3.70	(2006)	
	Dec 2006 - Jan 2007	Winter	6.76	Fu et al. (2008)	Same as (4) in Table S1.
	Sep	Summer	4.68		(12) PM <sub>10</sub> samples were collected
Hangzhou	2001-	Spring	7.20	Cao et al.	every three days from 8:00 am for
(120.1°E, 30.2°N)	Aug	Autumn	7.07	(2009a)	24n.
	2002	Winter	11.19		

Tianjin (117.12°E, 39.4°N)	Jan	2008	16.6	Gu et al. (2011)	(13) The sampling devices were situated about 10 m above the ground. The 24-h (0900 to 0900 local time) samples of PM <sub>2.5</sub> were collected.
Hong Kong (114.2°E, 22.3°N)	Nov 20 20	00 - Feb 001	1.20	Ho et al. (2006)	Same as (7) in Table S1.
	Apr	Autumn	3.13±2.13		
Fuzhou	2007 –	Winter	8.77±3.17	Xu et al.	Same as (6) in Table S1.
(119.3°E, 26.1°N)	Jan 2008	Spring	4.60±1.09	(2012)	
		Summer	1.10±0.35		
Qingdao (121°E 36.5°N)	25 Feb-1	5 Mar 2002	10.3	Takami et al	
Eanghuanahan	17 Feb-0	2 Mar 2001	12.5	(2006)	Same as (8) in Table S1.
(124°E, 40.5°N)	20	-01 Mai, 001	7.3	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	
Dalian (121.5°E, 39°N)	2006 to 2007	Spring	8.32		
		Spring	1.17		
	2006 to	Autumn	1.37		
(94.7°E, 40.2°N)	2007	Winter	1.82		
		Spring	10.21	1	
Gucheng	2006 to	Summer	9.75	1	
(115.8°E, 39.1°N)	2007	Autumn	12.06		
		Winter	16.30		
		Spring	3.00		
Jinsha (114 2°E 29 6°NI)	2006 to	Autumn	7.10		
(114.2 L, 23.0 N)	2007	Winter	5.79		
		Spring	1.38	1	
Lhasa	2006 to	Summer	1.25		
(91.1°E, 29.7°N)	2007	Autumn	1.33		
		Winter	1.39		
		Spring	5.59	Zhang et al	
Lin'an	2006 to	Summer	3.37	(2012)	Same as (9) in Table S1.
(121.2°E, 31.1°N)	2007	Autumn	5.06		
		Winter	6.99		
		Spring	2.43	_	
Longfengshan	2006 to	Summer	1.44	-	
(127.6°E, 44.7°N)	2007	Autumn	2.50		
		Winter	5.42		
		Spring	2.92	_	
Nanning (108 3°E 22 8°NI)	2006 to 2007	Autumn	3.00		
(100.0 L, 22.0 N)	2007	Winter	4.39		
Panyu (113.4°E, 23.0°N)	2006 to 2007	Winter	8.83	]	
		Spring	3.01		
Taiyangshan (111.7°E. 19.2°N)	2006 to 2007	Autumn	7.57		
,, . <b></b>		Winter	5.73	1	
Xi'an (108.6°E, 34.3°N)	2006 to 2007	Winter	14.79		

Table S3. Observed concentrations of BC aerosol ir	ı China
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Location	Pe	eriod	Concentration (µg m <sup>-3</sup> )	Reference	Notes on measurements
Deiling	Jul 1999 - Sep 2000	Spring	6.67	He et al. (2001)	Same as (10) in Table S2.
бејјпд (116.4°Е, 39.9°N)	Jan-Jul 2003	Summer	4.6±3.0	Cao et al. (2007)	(14) The samplers were set up on rooftops at varying heights 6-20 m above the ground. The sampling time period of PM <sub>2.5</sub> was 24 h (9)
		Winter	7.1±3.5		am to 9 am local time).
Nanjing (118.8°E , 32.0°N)	Feb 2001 – Sep	Feb	2.88	Yang et al. (2005)	Same as (2) in Table S1.
	2001	Sep	4.01		(15) The DM complex were collected
	Apr 2006 – Jan 2007	Summer	1.1	Hou et al. (2011)	on the roof of NO.4 teaching building at Fudan University. The sampling time period was
Shanghai		Autumn	2.1		(16) The sampler was mounted about
(121.5°E, 31.2°N)	Oct 2005-J ul 2006	Spring	3.1±1.5	Feng et al. (2009)	10 m abve the ground. During the four weeks of each sampling month, 24-h PM <sub>2.5</sub> samples (from morning to morning) were
		Winter	2.3±1.0		collected.
	Sep	Winter	4.43	_	
Hangzhou	2001 –	Summer	2.82	Cao et al.	Same as (12) in Table S2
(120.1°E, 30.2°N)	Aug	Spring	2.96	(2009a)	
	2002	Autumn	4.38		
Changchun (125.3°E, 43.9°N)	Jan - Jul 2003	Summer	2.9±1.4		
Qingdao (120.3°E, 36.0°N)	Jan - Jul	Winter	6.3±2.4	-	
	2003 Jan -	Summer	1.4±0.5	-	
HongKong (114.1°E, 22.2°N)	Jul 2003	Winter	5.8±2.6	Cao et al. (2007)	Same as (14) in Table S3.
Wuhan (114.2°E, 30.5°N)	Jan - Jul 2003	Summer	3.0±0.07	(2007)	
Xiamen	Jan -	Winter	5.0±1.4		
(118.1°E, 24.4°N)	Jul 2003	Summer	1 4+1 3	-	
Sheshan	2000		0.0.4.0		(17) The sampler was located on the
(131.2°E, 31.1°N)	Oct – r	NOV 1999	3.2±1.9		roof of the monitoring room, and at
Changshu (120.8°E, 31.7°N)	Oct – №	Nov 1999	3.6±1.7	Xu et al. (2002)	a height ~7 m above the ground. Daily PM <sub>2.5</sub> filter samples were collected at 9:00 am to the next morning for 24h.
Akdala (87.97°E, 47.1°N)	Jan-N	lar 2005	0.33	Qu et al. (2008)	<ul> <li>(18) PM<sub>10</sub> aerosol samples were collected from a 5 m tall building (3583 above the sea level). The sampling period was 72 hr (normally from 8:00-8:00).</li> </ul>
Muztagh (75.01°E, 38.3°N)	2	005	0.051	Cao et al. (2009b)	(19) Each filter sample of TSP was nominally collected over a one week period at 4500 m above the sea level.
Zhuzhang (99.72°E, 28°N)	Jan-F	eb 2005	0.35	Qu et al. (2008)	Same as (18) in Table S3.

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		Spring	2.74		
Dalian	2006 to	Summer	2.12		
(121.5°E, 39°N)	2007	Autumn	3.27		
		Winter	4.53		
Gaolanshan	2006 to	Summer	1.73		
(105.9°E,36.0°N)	2007	Autumn	2.44		
Guchena	2006 to	Spring	4.18		
(115.8°E, 39.1°N)	2007	Summer	4.24		
		Autumn	6.96		
		Spring	1.35		
Jinsha	2006 to	Summer	1.14		
(114.2°E, 29.6°N)	2007	Autumn	2.56		
		Winter	2.07		
		Spring	1.82		
Lhasa	2006 to	Summer	2.09		
(91.1°E, 29.7°N)	2007	Autumn	2.10		
		VVInter	3.27		
		Summor	2.01		
Lin'an	2006 to	Summer	2.20		
(121.2°E, 31.1°N)	2007	Autumn	2.49		
		Winter	2.91	Zhang of al	
		Spring	0.92	(2012)	Same as (9) in Table S1.
Longfengshan	2006 to	Summer	0.67	(2012)	
(127.6°E, 44.7°N)	2007	Autumn	1.51		
		Winter	2.30		
		Spring	1.58		
Nanning	2006 to	Summer	1.64		
(108.3°E, 22.8°N)	200010	Autumn	3.00		
		Winter	2.99		
		Spring	4.90		
Panyu	2006 to	Summer	2.92		
(113.4°E, 23.0°N)	2007	Autumn	4.48		
		Winter	5.80		
		Spring	1.23		
Tables and an	0000.	Summer	1.26		
(111.7°E, 19.2°N)	2006 to 2007	Autumn	2.20		
		Winter	1.57		
Xi'an	2006 to	Summer	4.56	1	
(108.9°E, 34.3°N)	2007	Autumn	6.49		
Zhengzhou	2006 to	Spring	4.84		
(113 7°F 34 8°NI)	2000 10	Summer	4.18		
(110.7 L, 07.0 N)	2001	Autumn	5.96		

### Table S4. Observed concentrations of OC aerosol in China

Location	Pe	eriod	Concentration (µg m <sup>-3</sup> )	Reference	Notes on measurements
Beijing	Jul 1999 -	Summer	13.42	He et al.	Same as (10) in Table S2.
(116.4°E, 39.9°N)	Sep20 00	Spring	18.21	(2001)	
Nanjing	2001	Feb	18.34	Wang et al.	Same as (3) in Table S1.

(118.8°E, 32.0°N)		Apr	20.14	(2002)	
	Apr	Spring	8.4±2.2		
Shanghai	2006 -	Summer	3.8±1.6	Hou et al.	Sama as (15) in Tabla S2
(121.5°E, 31.2°N)	Jan	Autumn	6.5±2.6	(2011)	Same as (15) in Table 55.
	2007	Winter	10.9±4.5		
	Sep	Winter	23.81		
Hangzhou (120.1°E, 30.2°N)	2001 – Aug 2002	summer	13.54	Cao et al. (2009a)	Same as (12) in Table S2.
		spring	14.03		
Changchun (125.3°E, 43.9°N)	Jan - Jul 2003	Summer	12.5±5.2		
Qingdao (120.3°E, 36.0°N)	Jan - Jul 2003	Summer	5.0±2.9		
Tianjin (117.2°E, 39.1°N)	Jan - Jul 2003	Summer	16.5±4.1	Cao et al.	
HongKong	Jan - Jul	Winter	11.2±4.8	(2007)	Same as (14) in Table 53.
(114.1°E, 22.2°N)	2003	Summer	7.3±1.9	]	
Wuhan (114.2°E, 30.5°N)	Jan - Jul 2003	Summer	14.2±3.7		
Xiamen (118.1°E, 24.4°N)	Jan - Jul 2003	Winter	16.5±5.4		
Muztagh (75.01°E, 38.3°N)	2	005	0.51	Cao et al. (2009b)	Same as (19) in Table S3.
Zhuzhang (99.72°E, 28°N)	Jan-F	eb 2005	3.1	Qu et al. (2008)	Same as (18) in Table S3.
Chengdu (104.1°E, 30.6°N)	2006 to 2007	Spring	22.82		
	2001	Spring	14.10		
Dalian	2006	Spring Summer	14.10 9.03	-	
Dalian (121.5°E, 39°N)	2006 to 2007	Spring Summer Autumn	14.10 9.03 10.71		
Dalian (121.5°E, 39°N)	2006 to 2007	Spring Summer Autumn Winter	14.10 9.03 10.71 13.90	-	
Dalian (121.5°E, 39°N) Gaolanshan (105.9°E,36.0°N)	2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007	Spring Summer Autumn Winter Summer	14.10 9.03 10.71 13.90 9.44		
Dalian (121.5°E, 39°N) Gaolanshan (105.9°E,36.0°N) Gucheng	2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007 2006 to	Spring Summer Autumn Winter Summer Spring	14.10 9.03 10.71 13.90 9.44 15.43		
Dalian (121.5°E, 39°N) Gaolanshan (105.9°E,36.0°N) Gucheng (115.8°E, 39.1°N)	2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007	Spring Summer Autumn Winter Summer Spring Summer	14.10 9.03 10.71 13.90 9.44 15.43 12.90		
Dalian (121.5°E, 39°N) Gaolanshan (105.9°E,36.0°N) Gucheng (115.8°E, 39.1°N)	2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007 2006	Spring Summer Autumn Winter Summer Spring Summer Spring	14.10 9.03 10.71 13.90 9.44 15.43 12.90 8.09	Zhang et al.	Same as (9) in Table S1.
Dalian (121.5°E, 39°N) Gaolanshan (105.9°E,36.0°N) Gucheng (115.8°E, 39.1°N) Jinsha	2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007 2006 to	Spring Summer Autumn Winter Summer Spring Summer Spring Summer	14.10 9.03 10.71 13.90 9.44 15.43 12.90 8.09 7.20	Zhang et al. (2012)	Same as (9) in Table S1.
Dalian (121.5°E, 39°N) Gaolanshan (105.9°E,36.0°N) Gucheng (115.8°E, 39.1°N) Jinsha (114.2°E, 29.6°N)	2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007	Spring Summer Autumn Winter Summer Spring Summer Summer Winter	14.10         9.03         10.71         13.90         9.44         15.43         12.90         8.09         7.20         10.17	Zhang et al. (2012)	Same as (9) in Table S1.
Dalian (121.5°E, 39°N) Gaolanshan (105.9°E,36.0°N) Gucheng (115.8°E, 39.1°N) Jinsha (114.2°E, 29.6°N)	2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007 2006	Spring Summer Autumn Winter Summer Spring Summer Spring Summer Winter Spring	14.10         9.03         10.71         13.90         9.44         15.43         12.90         8.09         7.20         10.17         12.11	Zhang et al. (2012)	Same as (9) in Table S1.
Dalian (121.5°E, 39°N) Gaolanshan (105.9°E,36.0°N) Gucheng (115.8°E, 39.1°N) Jinsha (114.2°E, 29.6°N) Lhasa (91.1°E, 29.7°N)	2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007 2006 to	Spring Summer Autumn Winter Summer Spring Summer Spring Summer Winter Spring Autumn	14.10         9.03         10.71         13.90         9.44         15.43         12.90         8.09         7.20         10.17         12.11         11.48	Zhang et al. (2012)	Same as (9) in Table S1.
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Dalian (121.5°E, 39°N) Gaolanshan (105.9°E,36.0°N) Gucheng (115.8°E, 39.1°N) Jinsha (114.2°E, 29.6°N) Lhasa (91.1°E, 29.7°N)	2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007	Spring Summer Autumn Winter Summer Spring Summer Spring Autumn Winter Spring	14.10         9.03         10.71         13.90         9.44         15.43         12.90         8.09         7.20         10.17         12.11         11.48         17.89         9.15	Zhang et al. (2012)	Same as (9) in Table S1.
Dalian (121.5°E, 39°N) Gaolanshan (105.9°E,36.0°N) Gucheng (115.8°E, 39.1°N) Jinsha (114.2°E, 29.6°N) Lhasa (91.1°E, 29.7°N) Lin'an	2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007 2006	Spring Summer Autumn Winter Summer Spring Summer Winter Spring Autumn Winter Spring Summer	14.10         9.03         10.71         13.90         9.44         15.43         12.90         8.09         7.20         10.17         12.11         11.48         17.89         9.15         8.08	Zhang et al. (2012)	Same as (9) in Table S1.
Dalian (121.5°E, 39°N) Gaolanshan (105.9°E,36.0°N) Gucheng (115.8°E, 39.1°N) Jinsha (114.2°E, 29.6°N) Lhasa (91.1°E, 29.7°N) Lin'an (121.2°E, 31.1°N)	2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007	Spring Summer Autumn Winter Summer Spring Summer Winter Spring Autumn Winter Spring Summer Autumn	14.10         9.03         10.71         13.90         9.44         15.43         12.90         8.09         7.20         10.17         12.11         11.48         17.89         9.15         8.08         8.77	Zhang et al. (2012)	Same as (9) in Table S1.
Dalian (121.5°E, 39°N) Gaolanshan (105.9°E,36.0°N) Gucheng (115.8°E, 39.1°N) Jinsha (114.2°E, 29.6°N) Lhasa (91.1°E, 29.7°N) Lin'an (121.2°E, 31.1°N)	2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007	Spring Summer Autumn Winter Summer Spring Summer Spring Autumn Winter Spring Summer Autumn Winter	14.10         9.03         10.71         13.90         9.44         15.43         12.90         8.09         7.20         10.17         12.11         11.48         17.89         9.15         8.08         8.77         10.57	Zhang et al. (2012)	Same as (9) in Table S1.
Dalian (121.5°E, 39°N) Gaolanshan (105.9°E,36.0°N) Gucheng (115.8°E, 39.1°N) Jinsha (114.2°E, 29.6°N) Lhasa (91.1°E, 29.7°N) Lin'an (121.2°E, 31.1°N)	2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007 2006 to 2007 2006	Spring Summer Autumn Winter Summer Spring Summer Spring Autumn Winter Spring Summer Autumn Winter Spring	14.10         9.03         10.71         13.90         9.44         15.43         12.90         8.09         7.20         10.17         12.11         11.48         17.89         9.15         8.08         8.77         10.57         7.71	Zhang et al. (2012)	Same as (9) in Table S1.

	2007	Autumn	11.22
		Winter	13.01
		Spring	7.75
Nanning	2006	Summer	8.03
(108.3°E, 22.8°N)	to 2007	Autumn	12.67
	2007	Winter	13.22
Panyu	2006 to	Spring	12.33
(113.4°ヒ, 23.0°N)	2007	Winter	16.36
		Spring	6.89
Taivangshan	2006	Summer	6.84
(111.7°E, 19.2°N)	to 2007	Autumn	10.17
	2001	Winter	7.95
Xi'an (108.9°E, 34.3°N)	2006 to 2007	Summer	16.86
Zhengzhou	2006 to	Summer	12.03
$(113.7 \pm, 34.0^{-1}N)$	2007	Autumn	19.65

Note: A spreadsheet file of aerosol measurements can be obtained by contacting the corresponding author of the paper (hongliao@mail.iap.ac.cn).

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## 2. Comparisons of simulated (GISS Model 3) and reanalyzed (GEOS-4) surface air temperature, zonal wind, and precipitation for present-day (1996-2005)

Both the simulated and assimilated surface air temperatures show higher temperatures in southern China than in northern China and also higher temperatures in eastern China than in western China (Figure A). The maximum temperatures in southeastern China are simulated to be 280–290 K in DJF, 290–300 K in MAM, 300–310 K in JJA, and 290–300 K in SON, which agree with the assimilated values in all seasons except that the assimilated maximum temperatures in southeastern China are lower than 305 K in JJA. Simulated zonal winds averaged over 100°–120°E longitudes show maximum wind speeds of the jet stream located at 200 hPa altitude of 60, 40, 20, and 30 m s<sup>-1</sup> in DJF, MAM, JJA, and SON, respectively, which agree closely with the assimilated values (Figure B). The present-day precipitation simulated by the GISS model shows larger values in MAM and JJA than in DJF and SON, which agree with the assimilated precipitation, but the model overestimates precipitation in the middle and lower reaches of the Yangtze River in MAM whereas underestimates precipitation in that region in JJA (Figure C).



Figure A. Comparisons of simulated (GISS Model 3) and reanalyzed (GEOS-4) surface air temperatures (K) in China for present day (averages over 1996-2005).



Figure B. Comparisons of simulated (GISS Model 3) and reanalyzed (GEOS-4) zonal winds (m s<sup>-1</sup>) for present day (averages over 1996-2005). To represent winds over eastern China, winds are averaged over the longitude range of 100°-120°E.



Figure C. Comparisons of simulated (GISS Model 3) and reanalyzed (GEOS-4) precipitation (mm) in China for present day (averages over 1996-2005).

# 3. The altitude-latitude cross-sections of the changes in aerosol concentrations from the present day to future owing to changes in anthropogenic emissions alone

For the case with changes in emissions alone, since changes in emissions are mostly imposed near the surface, the vertical changes in concentrations of aerosols in the lower troposphere generally follow the sign of changes at the surface-layer, as shown by the altitude-latitude cross-sections of the changes in aerosol concentrations averaged over eastern China (Figure D). Changes in concentrations above 2 km altitude can be influenced by long-range transport. Because our manuscript is already very long, we do not show such plots of vertical changes in concentrations in the manuscript. Instead, we show future changes in long-range transport owing to changes in emissions alone in Figs. 11-13 of the manuscript.



Figure D. The altitude-latitude cross-sections of the changes in aerosol concentrations from the present day (1996-2005) to future (2046-2055) owing to changes in anthropogenic emissions alone. Values are averaged over longitudes from 115°E to 120°E.

#### 4. Explanation about the future changes in PBL depth

The changes in PBL depth result from the simulated changes in atmospheric temperature (or atmospheric stability). As an example, we show in Figure E the 2000-2050 changes in SON air temperatures averaged over 110-120°E and 32-40°N (this area shows large reductions in PBL depth in Figure 4 of the manuscript in SON). The simulated increases in temperature in the 500-700 hPa altitude are larger than those in the lower troposphere, leading to a more stable atmosphere and hence a lower PBL depth in 2050. It should be noted that the negative changes in PBL depth were also found for the US in Pye et al. (2009), with the changes in PBL also simulated by the GISS Model 3.



Figure E. The simulated 2000-2050 changes in SON air temperatures averaged over 110-120°E and 32-40°N.

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