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Vertical characteristics of aerosol hygroscopicity and impacts on optical properties over the North China Plain during winter

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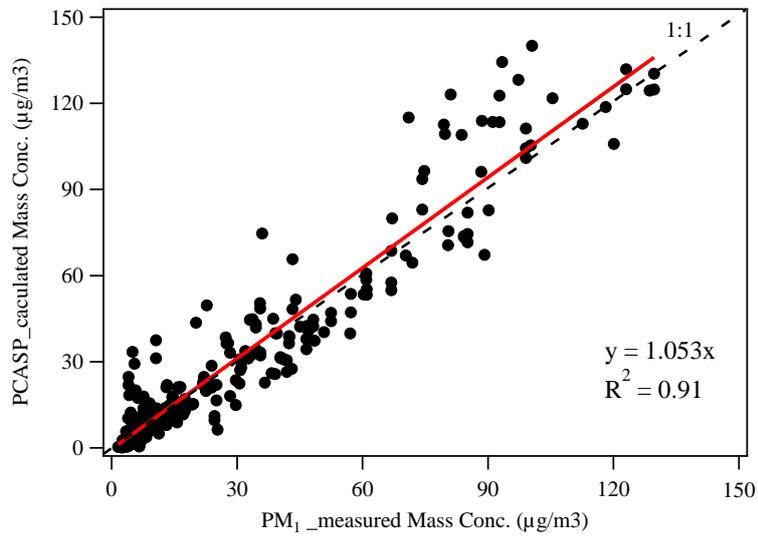


Figure S1. Comparison between PM₁ derived from the PCASP size distribution and measurements in the cabin for all flights.

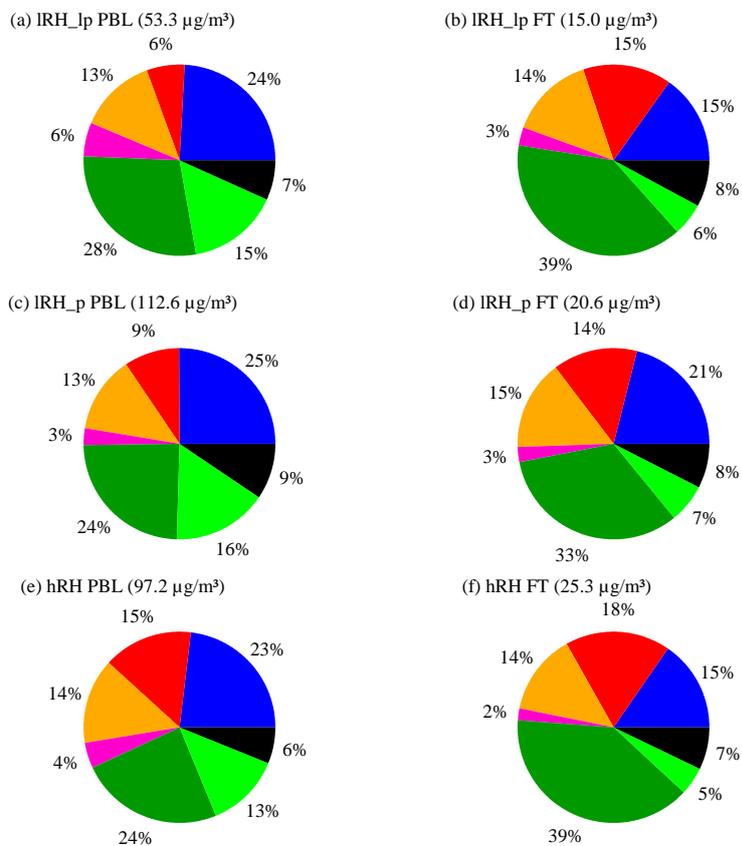


Figure S2. The aerosol chemical compositions in the PBL and FT under all conditions: (a-b) in the PBL and FT under IRH and less polluted conditions (IRH_lp), (c-d) in the PBL and FT under IRH and polluted conditions (IRH_p), and (e-f) in the PBL and FT under hRH conditions.

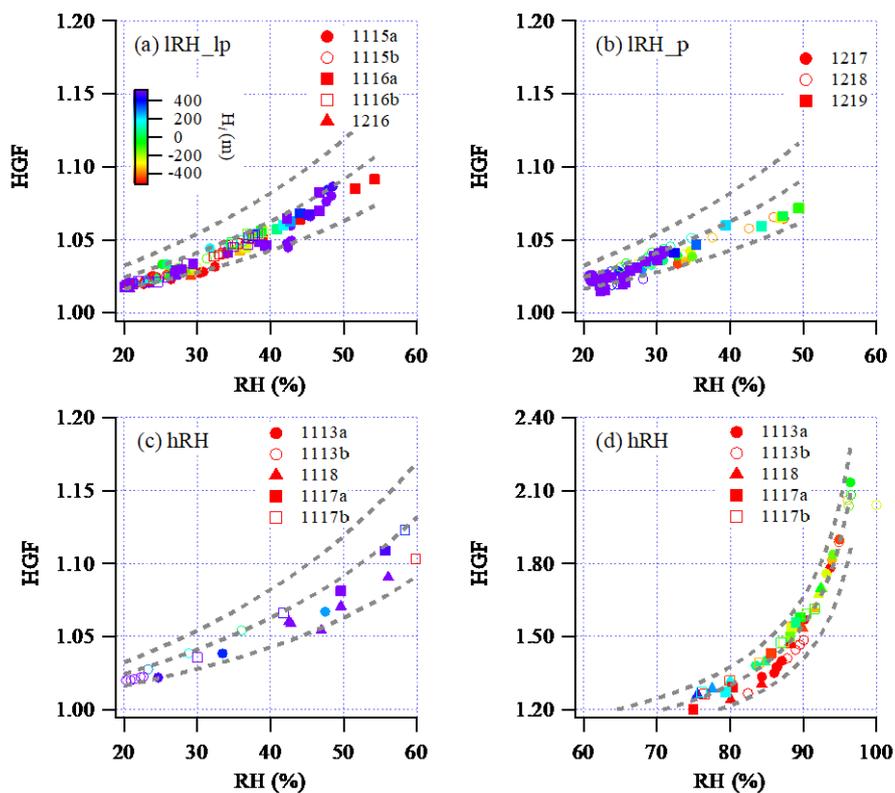


Figure S3. Correlations between hygroscopic growth factor (HGF) and RH, (a) under IRH_lp condition, (b) under IRH_p condition, (c) under hRH condition, RH < 60%, and (d) under hRH condition, RH > 60%. The reference grey dash lines denote the calculated HGFs by assuming constant κ of 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, respectively.

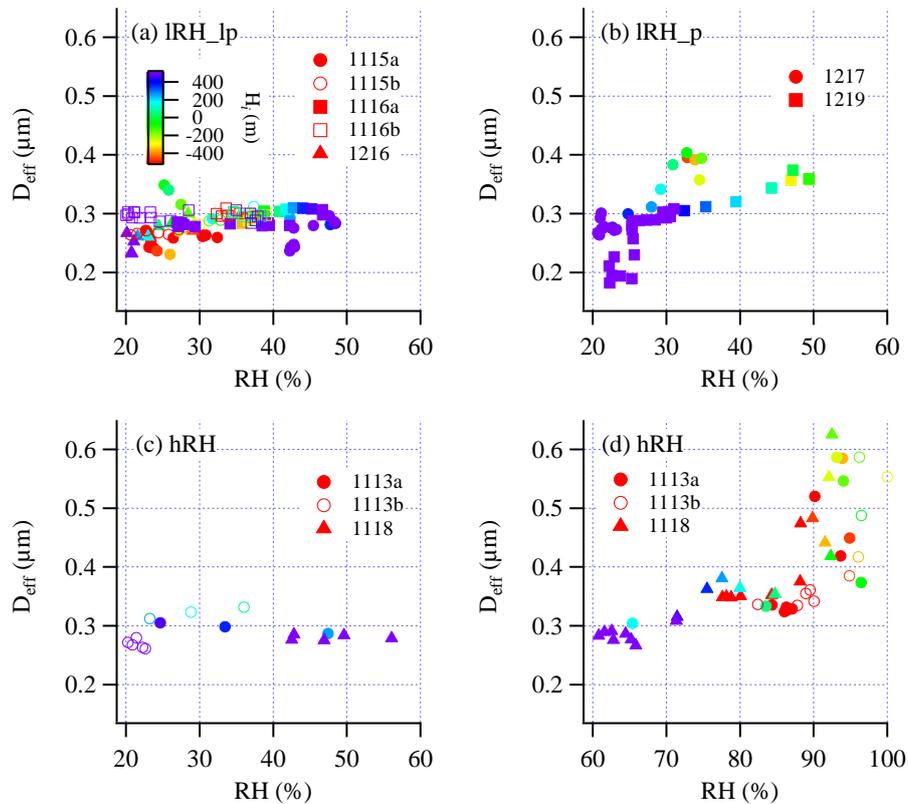
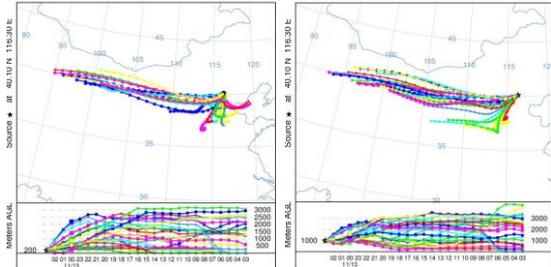
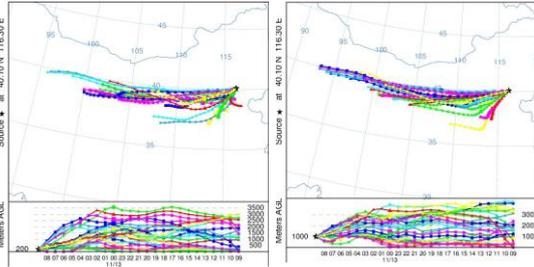


Figure S4. Correlations between D_{eff} and RH for all flights, (a) under IRH_lp condition, (b) under IRH_p condition, (c) under hRH condition, RH<60%, and (d) under hRH condition, RH>60%.

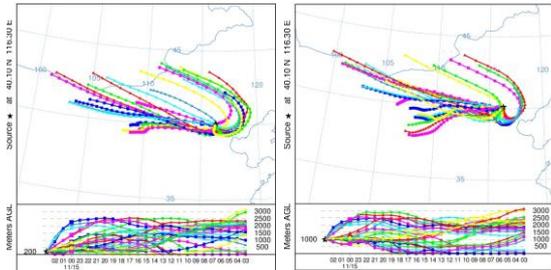
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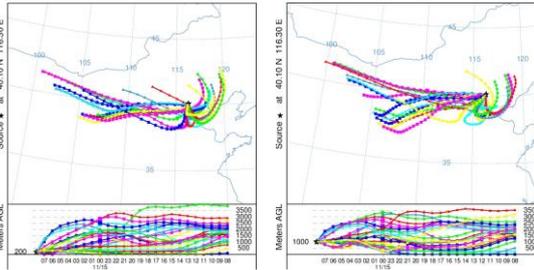
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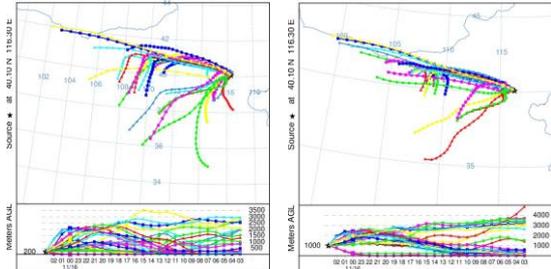
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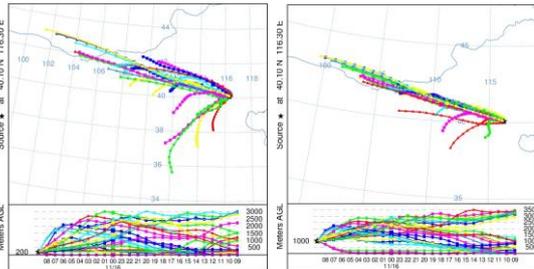
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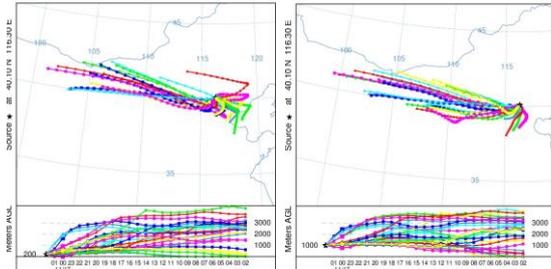
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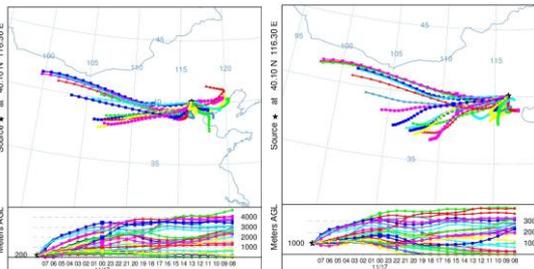
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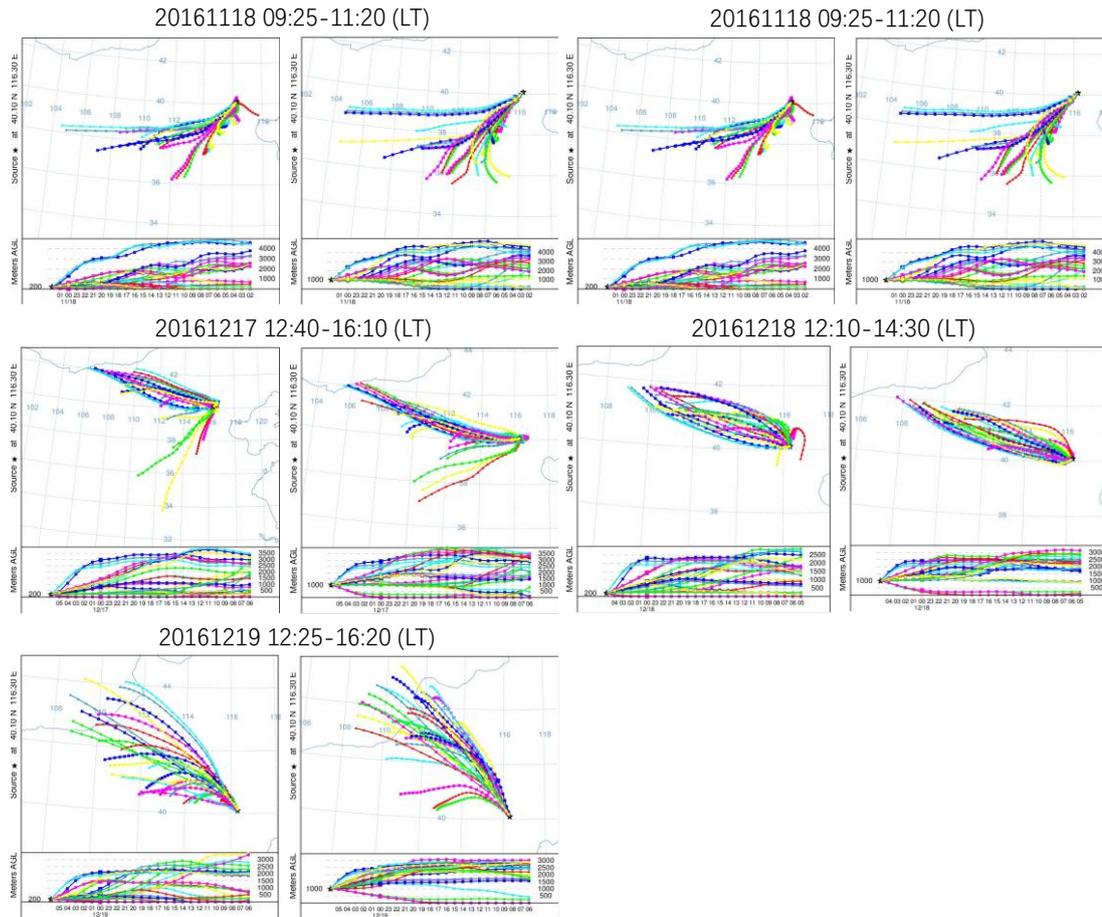


Figure S5. HYSPLIT ensemble backward trajectories during the experiment. The endpoint heights of back trajectories are set to 200 m a.s.l (left panels) and 1000 m a.s.l. (right panels). LT=local Time.