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Frequent haze events associated with transport and stagnation over the corridor between the North China Plain and Yangtze River Delta

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Table S1 Model configuration of WRF.

WRF configuration	Scheme
Microphysics	Morrison microphysics scheme (Morrison et al., 2009)
Land surface option	Unified Noah land surface model (Chen and Dudhia, 2001)
Longwave and shortwave radiation	Rapid Radiation Transfer Model Global (RRTMG) (Morcrette et al., 2008; Iacono et al., 2008)
Cumulus parameterization scheme	GrellFreitas cumulus parameterization scheme (Grell and Freitas, 2014)
Planetary boundary layer scheme	YSU (Hong et al., 2006)

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	Model evaluation				Benchmarks (Emery and Tai, 2001)			
	T_2	Q_2	WD_{10}	WS_{10}	T_2	Q_2	WD_{10}	WS_{10}
Bias	-0.28	0.01	0.03	0.85	$\leq \pm 0.5$	$\leq \pm 1$	$\leq \pm 10$	$\leq \pm 0.5$
Gross	1.97	0.01	45.98	/	≤ 2	≤ 2	≤ 30	/
RMSE	/	/	/	1.62	/	/	/	≤ 2

Table S3 The total number of polluted days exceedance in SWLY during winters in 2014-2019.

	75-150 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$	150-250 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$	greater than 250 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$	total ^a
seesaw patterns	98	22	1	121
stagnation	105	32	1	138
other	118	10	0	128
total ^b	321	64	2	387

a indicates the total number of polluted days due to seesaw patterns, stagnation days, and others; b indicates the total number of days in three categories.

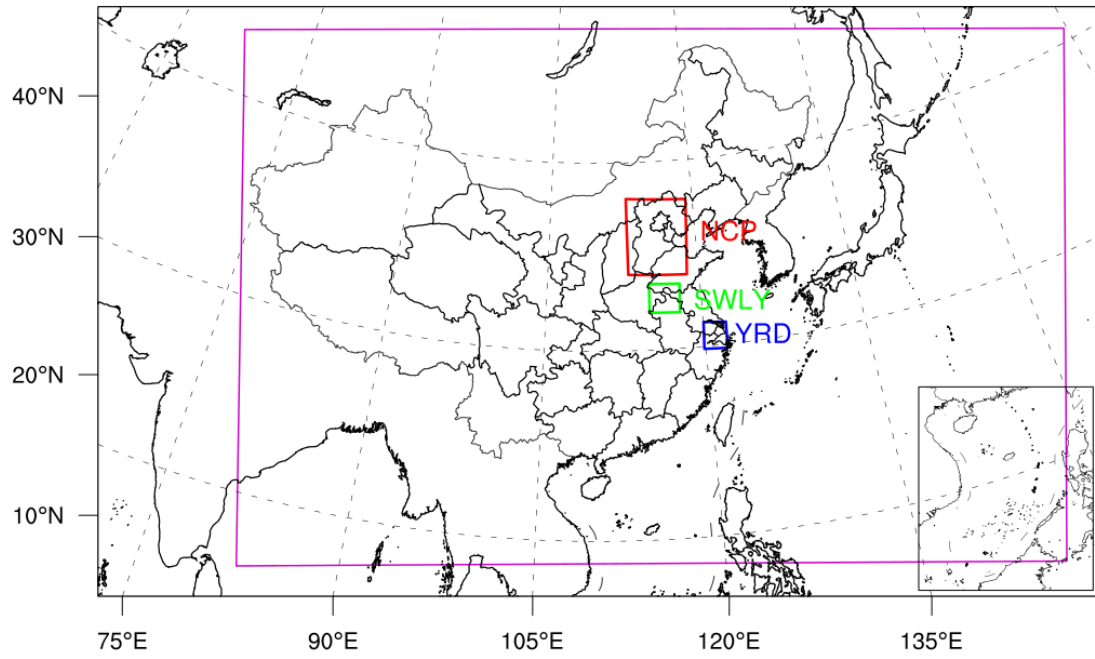


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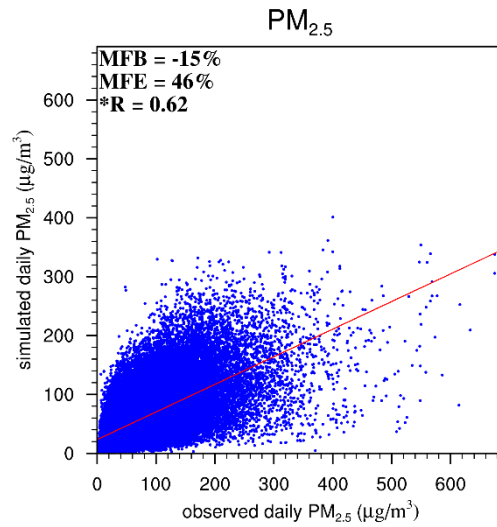


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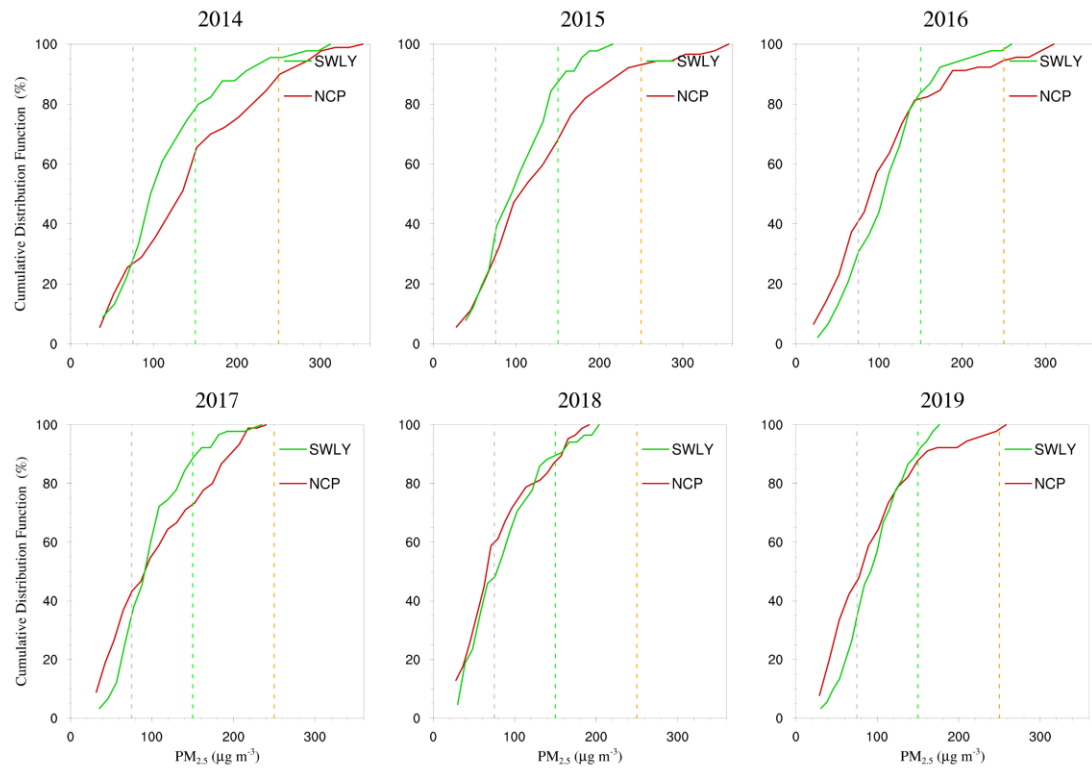


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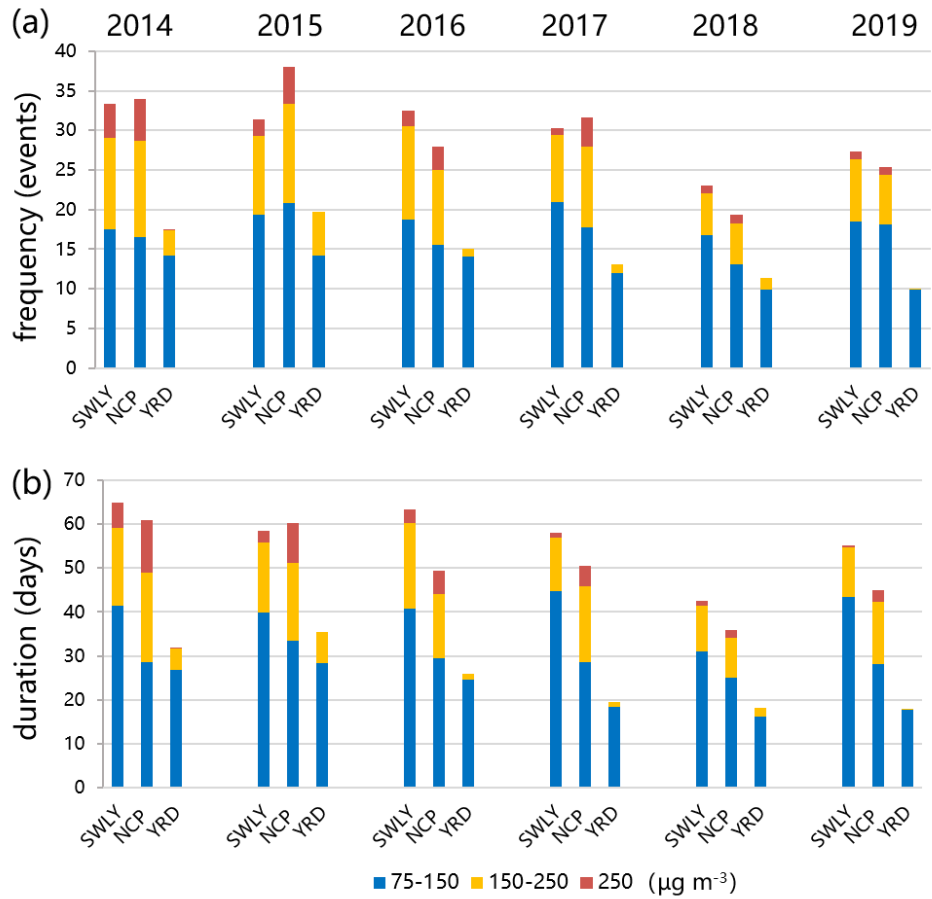


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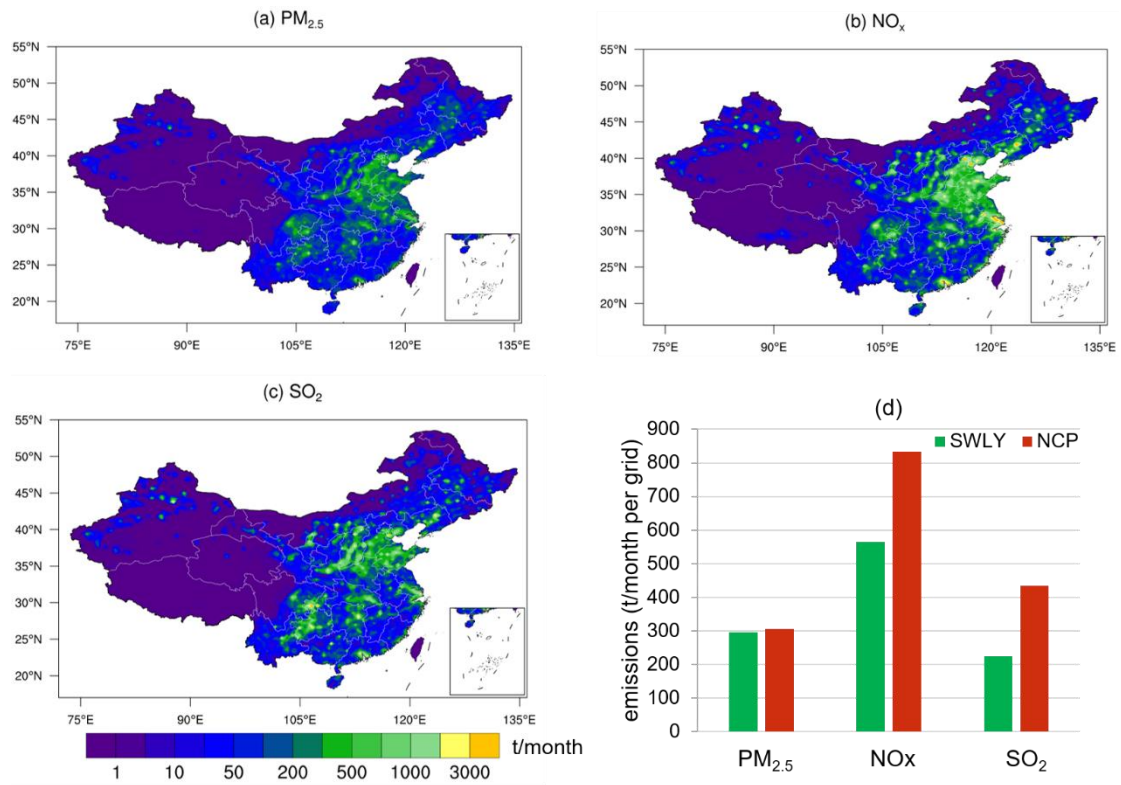


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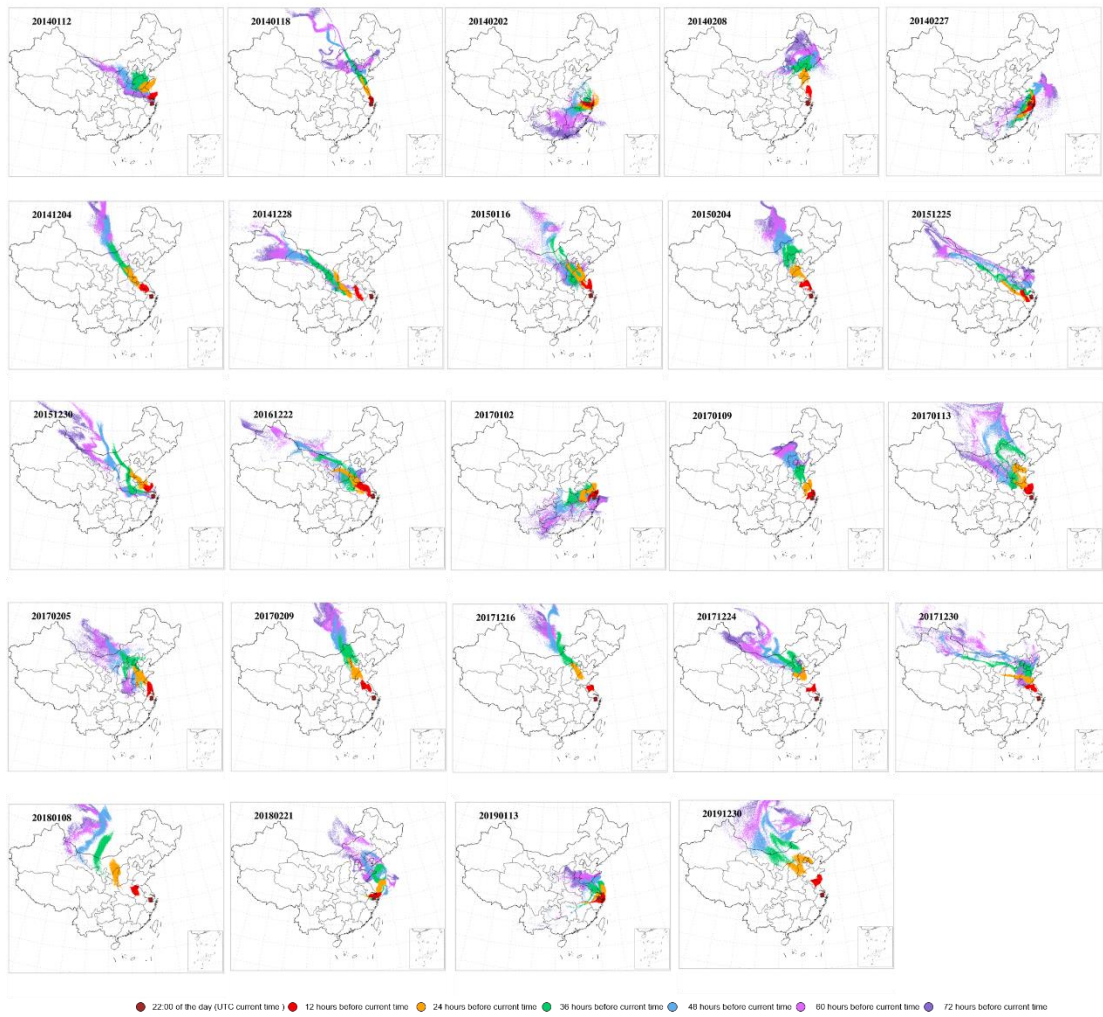


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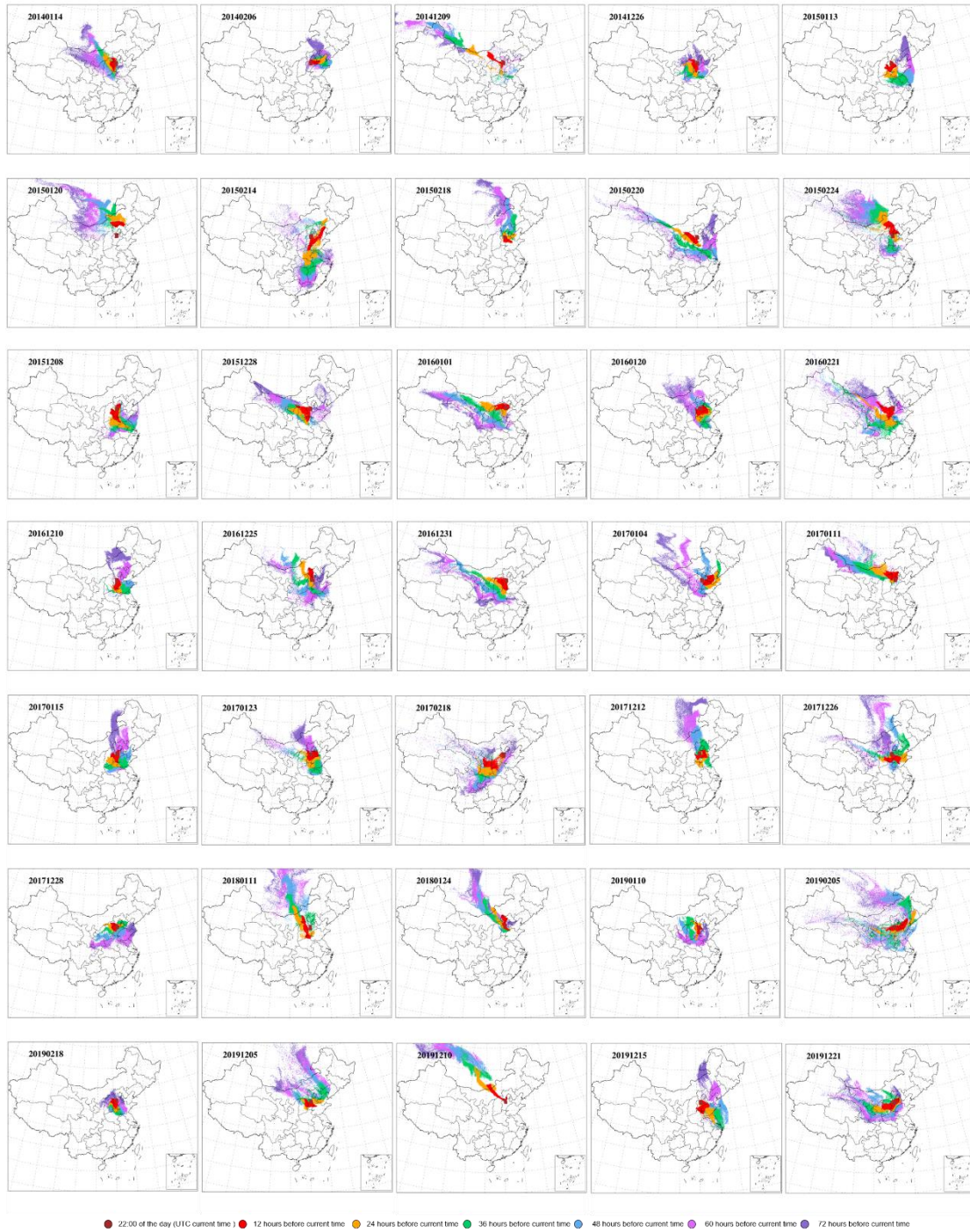


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