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## Daytime and nighttime aerosol soluble iron formation in clean and slightly polluted moist air in a coastal city in eastern China

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#### 1 S1. The influence of organic matters on aerosol pH

- 2 We utilized the same method of Guo et al. (2015) to calculated ALWCorg as the following equation:
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$$ALWC_{org} = \frac{m_{org}\rho_{w}}{\rho_{org}} \frac{\kappa_{org}}{(\frac{100\%}{BH} - 1)}$$

4 where  $m_{org}$  is the OM concentration, which was estimated with 1.6 times OC (Turpin and Lim, 2001),  $\rho_w$ 5 is water density (1.0×10<sup>3</sup> kg m<sup>-3</sup>), and a typical organic density ( $\rho_{org}$ ) of 1.4×10<sup>3</sup> kg m<sup>-3</sup> was used.  $\kappa_{org}$  is 6 the hygroscopicity parameter of organic aerosol compositions. We did not observe  $\kappa_{org}$  during the 7 campaign, so we applied a typical range of 0.05–0.20 (Kuang et al., 2020). In Beijing, the typical  $\kappa_{org}$  of 8 0.06 was used in previous studies (Cheng et al., 2016). The higher the  $\kappa_{org}$  is, the larger the ALWC<sub>org</sub> 9 would be. At last, we evaluated the range of ALWC<sub>org</sub> as  $0.83-3.31 \ \mu g \ m^{-3}$ , which only accounted for 10 2.6-9.8% of the total ALWC. pH was about 2.49 without considering OM, and it was 2.52-2.57 when 11 considering OM, indicating that the influence of OM in aerosol pH was very weak.

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Species	$DL_j$	Species	$DL_j$
Na <sup>+</sup>	20.0	V	0.0030
$\mathrm{NH_{4}^{+}}$	20.0	Cr	0.0025
$\mathbf{K}^+$	10.0	Mn	0.0055
$Mg^{2+}$	10.0	Fe	0.0139
Ca <sup>2+</sup>	20.0	Ni	0.0287
$F^-$	10.0	Cu	0.0060
Cl <sup>_</sup>	40.0	Zn	0.0770
$NO_3^-$	10.0	As	0.0151
$SO_4^{2-}$	10.0	Se	0.4062
$C_2O_4{}^{2-}$	10.0	Rb	0.0020
OC	0.20	Sr	0.0054
EC	0.20	Cd	0.0030
Al	0.0454	Ba	0.0022
Mg	0.0754	Pb	0.0026

Table S1: Detection limits of the analysis instruments (unit: μg L<sup>-1</sup> for WSIs and elements, and μg
 for OC and EC).

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#### Table S2: Classification results of aerosol samples.

Sample Types	Sample Number
Clean Periods Samples	19
Slightly-polluted Periods Samples	32
Heavily-polluted Periods Samples	6
Fog-impacted Samples	12
Dust-related Samples	70
Total	139



Figure S1: Location of the sampling site. In the right panel, the red dot shows the location of the sampling site. The green dot shows the location of Qingdao Meteorological Bureau. The yellow dot shows the location of the air quality monitoring station in Qingdao (the west sub-station of the Shinan District).

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46 Figure S2: Relationships of aerosol pH and ALWC between the first run and the fourth run of
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51 Figure S3: Intercomparisons of simulated and measured concentrations of NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>, NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> and Cl<sup>-</sup>.





Figure S4: Same as Figure 3c in the manuscript but only for clean and SP periods.



Figure S5: Box plots of several chemical parameters. Boxes represent the 25<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup> and 75<sup>th</sup> percentiles. Error bars represent 10<sup>th</sup> and 90<sup>th</sup> percentiles. The dots within the boxes represent the arithmetic means.

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Figure S6: Relationships between soluble Fe (Fes, unit: ng m<sup>-3</sup>) and oxalate (unit:  $\mu$ g m<sup>-3</sup>). An extreme point (marked by a pink triangle, %Fe<sub>s</sub> = 37.2%) in (b) was removed to obtain the more robust correlation coefficient.

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73 Figure S7: Conceptual diagram showing the Fe dissolution influenced by acid processes and

74 oxalate.