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Interactive comment on "Seasonal and spatial variability of the organic matter-to-organic carbon mass ratios in Chinese urban organic aerosols and a first report of high correlations between aerosol oxalic acid and zinc" by L. Xing et al.

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The topic in this paper is within the scope of this journal. I think that this paper was written with care and can be published after minor revision.

Suggestions for the revision

- 1. P1249, L10: Please explain OA before using the abbreviation.
- 2. Table 1: "Northern Chinese cities" in the upper part of the table must be italic.

3. P1262, L26: It was written that "The molar ratios of Zn relative to the sum of these dicarboxylic acids for eah city ranged from 0.22 to 6.06..." for the samples in winter. I

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would like to see the correlation diagram (similar to Fig. 2) for the winter samples, since it is possible that the correlation is seen within the region where the Zn ratio relative to dicarboxylic acids is low.

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