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### **Supplementary Materials**

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#### S1. Experimental

#### S1.1 Trajectory analysis

To investigate the aerosol regional source on the measurement site, 48 h back trajectories at 500m arrival height above ground level were computed every 2h using Hybrid Single Particle Lagragian Integrated Trajectory model (HYSPLIT-4) (Draxler, R.R. and Rolph, G.D., 2013).

#### S2. Results and discussion



Figure S1. Time series and mass profiles by PMF analysis at 5-factor solution. Factor 3 and 4 were merged to generate a new factor by a mass-weighted combination, which results are reported in the paper. HOA, hydrocarbon-like organic aerosol; LVOOA, low-volatile oxygenated OA; NIA, nitrate inorganic aerosol



Figure S2. Comparisons of time series of  $SO_4^{2-}$  and  $NO_2$  during the primary aerosol emitting days, which is shown in the gray bar in Figure 1. Good correlation of  $SO_4^{2-}$  with  $NO_2$  suggests that the  $SO_4^{2-}$  is primary in nature during this period.



Figure S3. Predicted  $NH_4^+$  (assuming fully neutralized aerosol) vs measured  $NH_4^+$ , colored by the mass fraction of measured  $NH_4^+$  to the sum of  $SO_4^2 + NO_3 + CI^-$ . The predicted  $NH_4^+$ was determined by  $NH_4^+$ , pre =  $18 \times (2 \times SO_4^{-2}/96 + NO_3^{-7}/62 + CI^{-7}/35.5)$ , where  $NH_4^+$ ,  $SO_4^{-2}$ ,  $NO_3^{-3}$ and  $CI^-$  represent the mass concentrations (in µg m<sup>-3</sup>) of the species and the denominators correspond to their molecular weights. The factor 18 is the molecular weight of  $NH_4^+$  (Zhang et al., 2007).



Figure S4. Top panel: time series of LVOOA and mass fractions of LVOOA to total organic. Four periods on the LVOOA plumes were selected for the back trajectory studies marked by blue bars. Bottom panel: Back trajectory analysis on the sources of LVOOA. The trajectories were conducted on the four plumes of LVOOA time series, showing LVOOA were from South Finland, south Sweden, central Europe.



Figure S5. Comparisons of mass concentrations of nitrate aerosols between the fitted by PMF and the measured by AMS.



Figure S6. Wind rose for NO<sub>2</sub>.



Figure S7. Comparison of SVOOA and particulate organic nitrate.

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