



Supplement of

A multi-year study of lower tropospheric aerosol variability and systematic relationships from four North American regions

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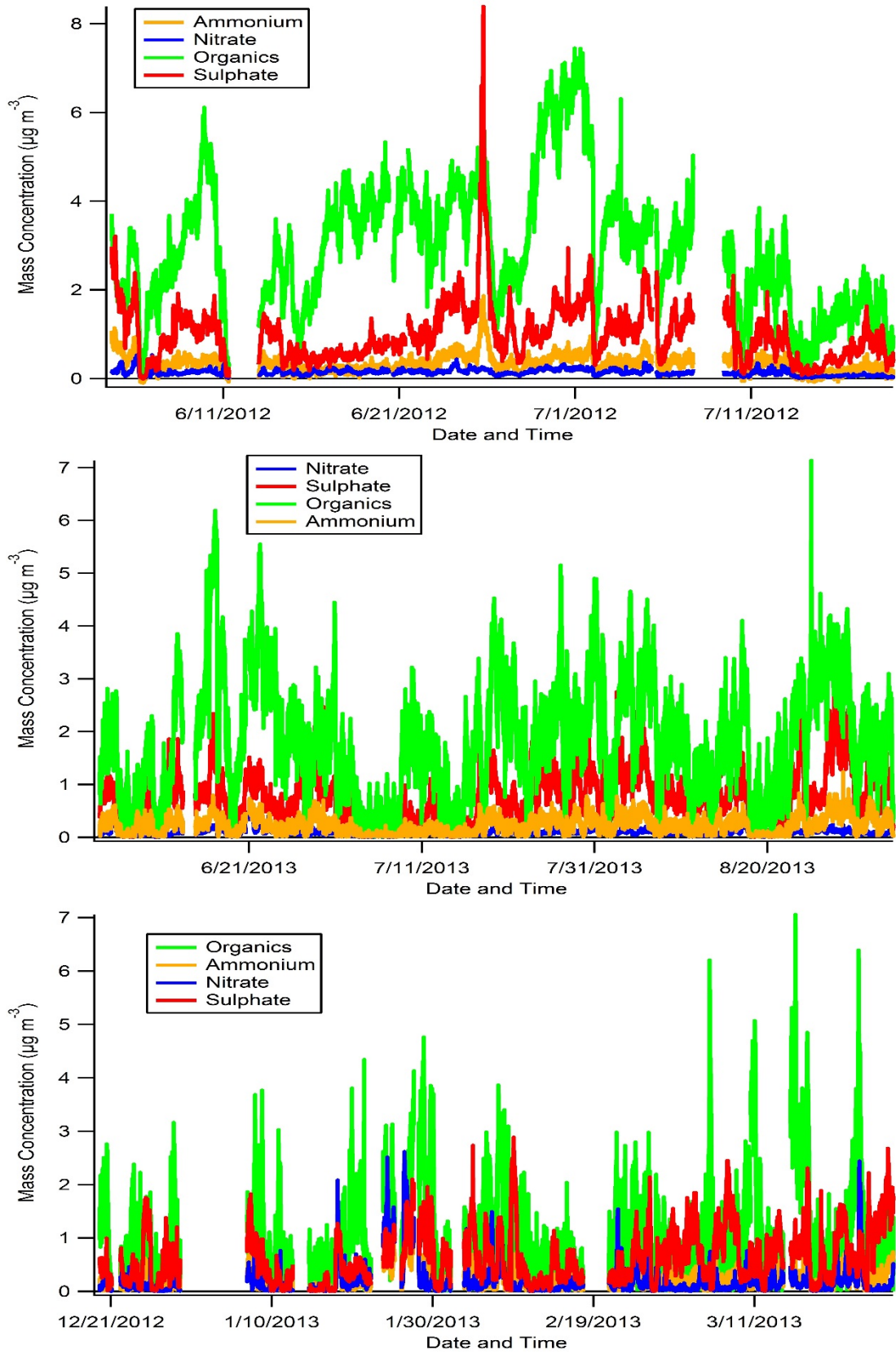


Figure S1: 10-minute averaged mass concentrations of sub-1µm non-refractory aerosol mass concentrations at APP during summer 2012, summer 2013, and winter 2013 by an Aerodyne time-of-flight mass spectrometer (provided by Michael Link)

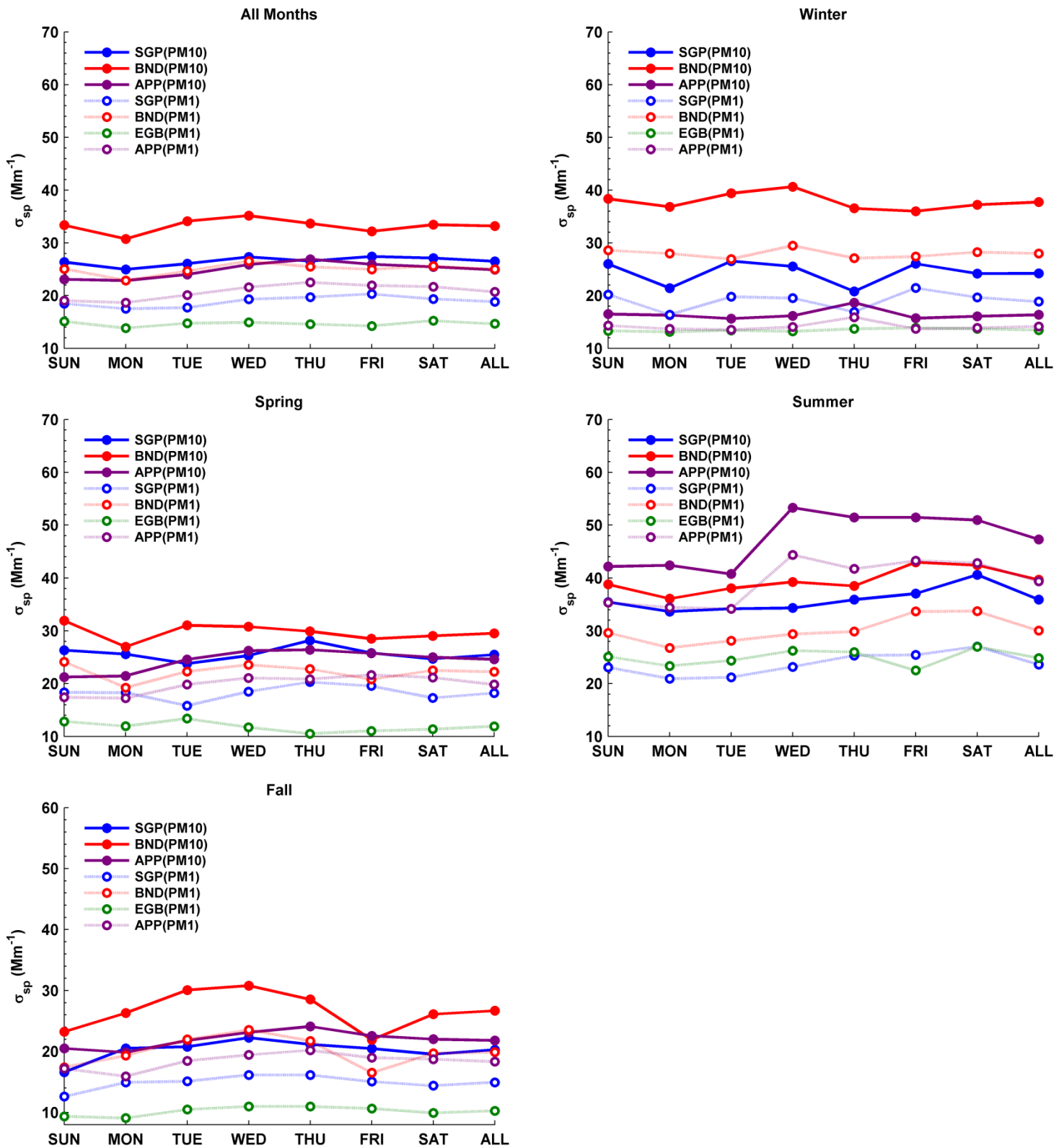


Figure S2: Weekly cycle of median PM10 and PM1 aerosol scattering coefficient (σ_{ap}) at 550nm, for all months and broken down by season, for years 2010-2013. Months comprising the seasons are DJF (winter), MAM (spring), JJA (summer), and SON (fall). The medians are based on hourly-averaged values. The values corresponding to 'ALL' are median values over the entire period for that particular season.

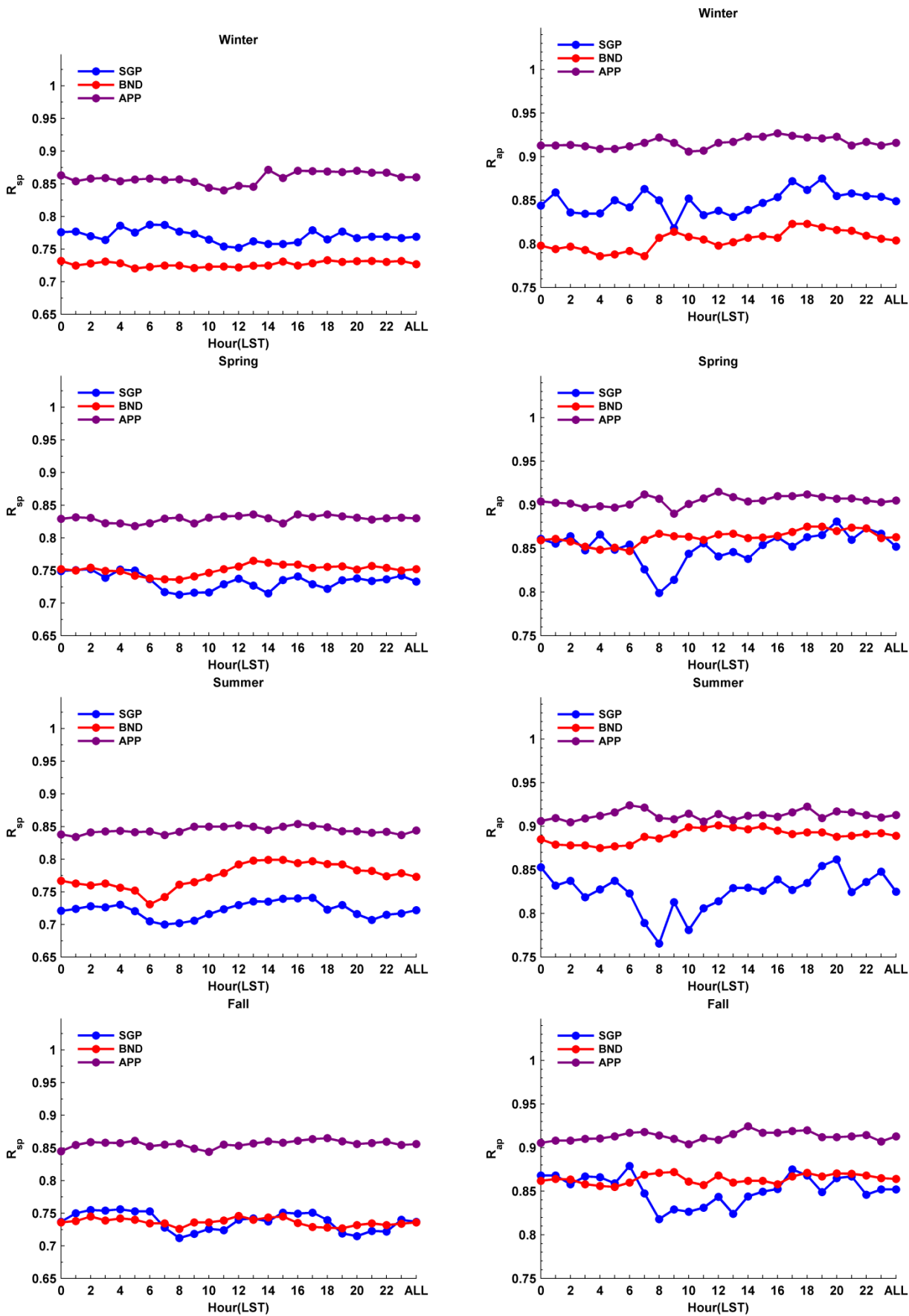


Figure S3: Diurnal cycle of median sub-micrometer aerosol scattering and absorption fractions (R_{sp} and R_{ap}) at 550nm, broken down by individual seasons during the period 2010-2013. Months comprising the seasons are DJF (winter), MAM(spring), JJA(summer), and SON(fall). The values corresponding to ‘ALL’ are median values over the given seasons for the entire period.

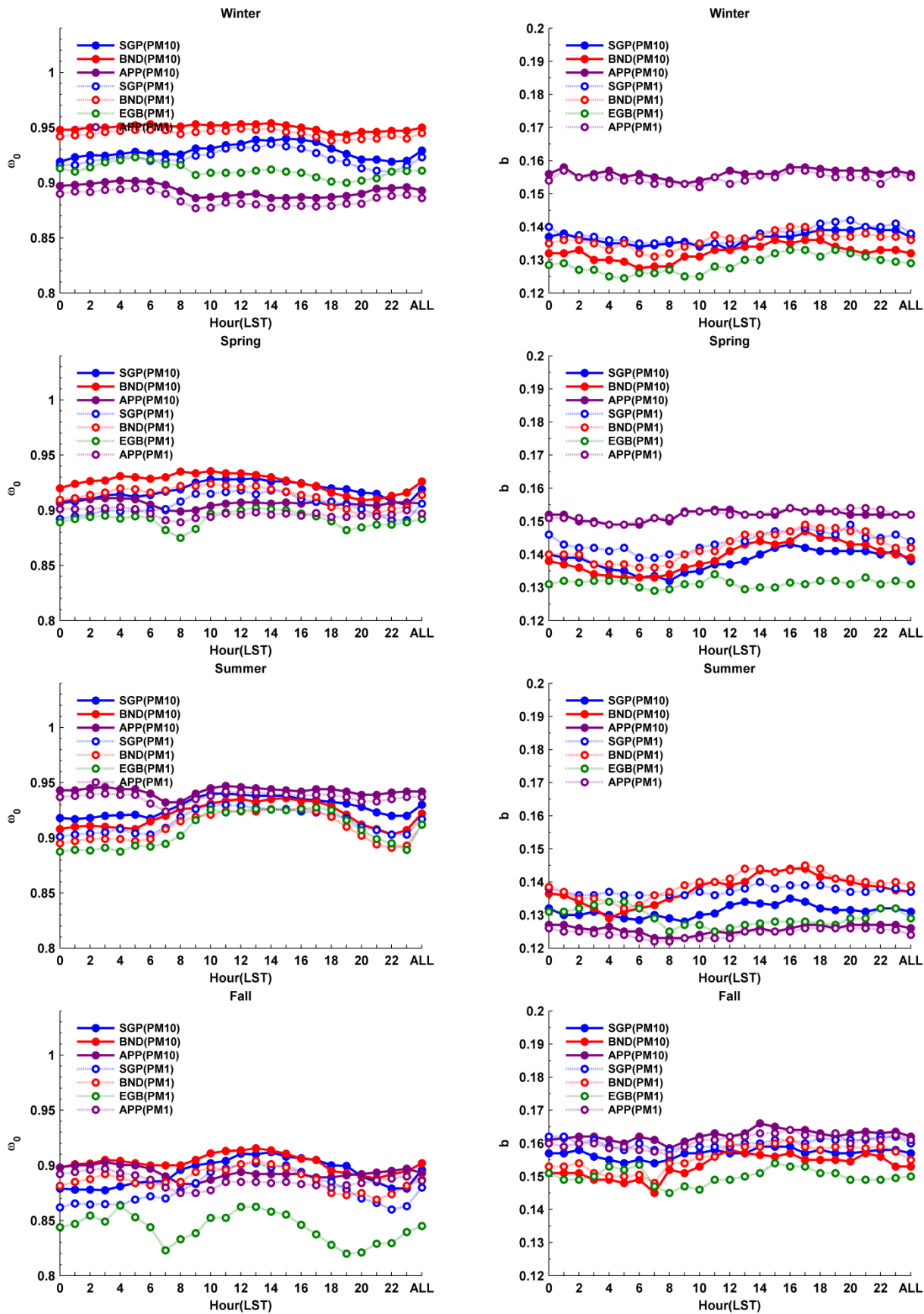


Figure S4: Diurnal cycle of median PM10 and PM1 aerosol single scattering albedo (ω_0) and hemispheric backscatter fraction (b) at 550nm, broken down by individual seasons during the period 2010-2013. Months comprising the seasons are DJF (winter), MAM (spring), JJA (summer), and SON (fall). The values corresponding to 'ALL' are median values over the given seasons for the entire period.

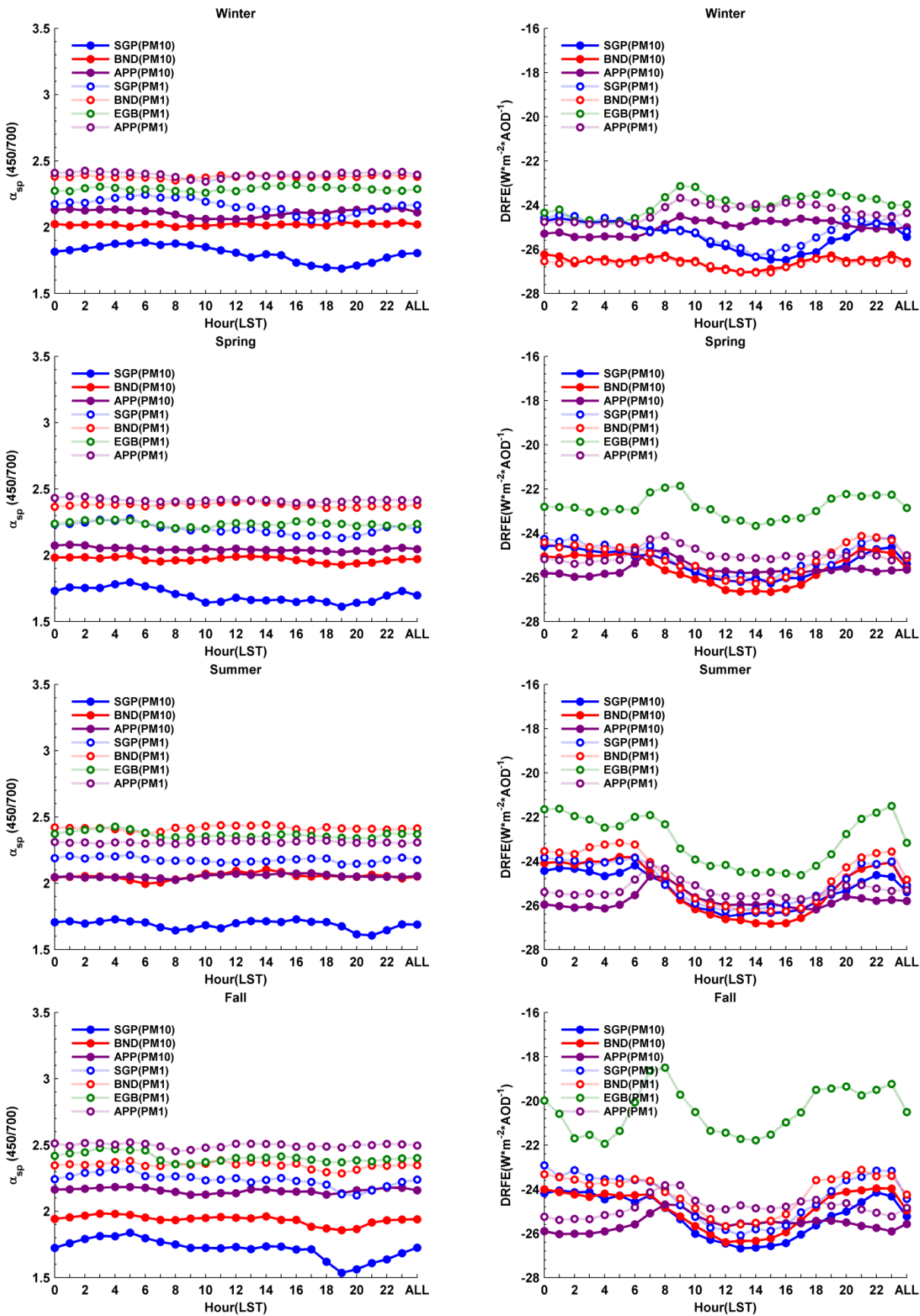


Figure S5: Diurnal cycle of median PM10 and PM1 aerosol scattering Ångström exponent (α_{ap}), using the 450/550nm and 450/700nm pairs, and direct radiative forcing efficiency (DRFE) at 550nm, broken down by individual seasons during the period 2010-2013. Months comprising the seasons are DJF (winter), MAM (spring), JJA (summer), and SON (fall). The values corresponding to 'ALL' are median values over the given seasons for the entire period.

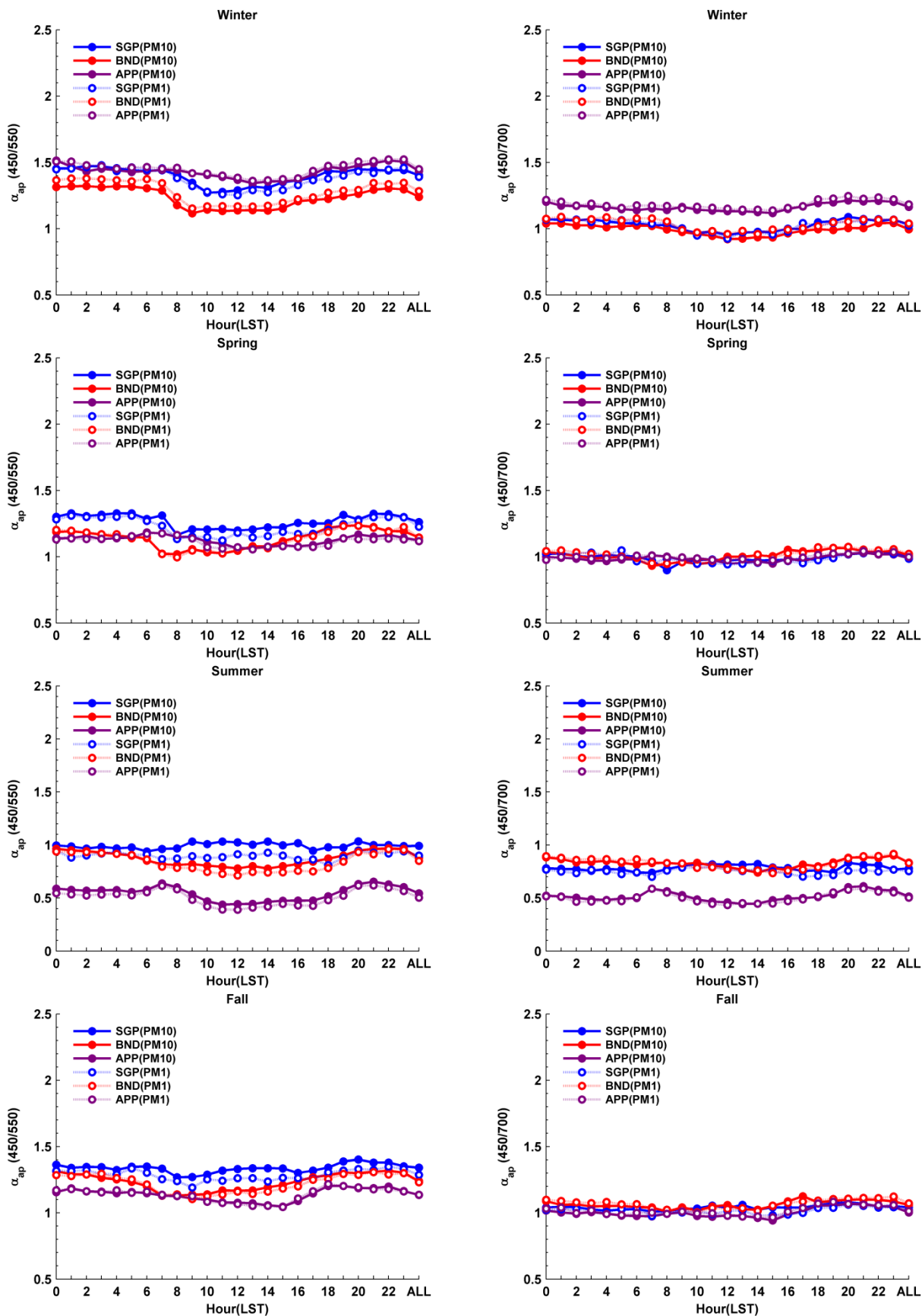


Figure S6: Diurnal cycle of median PM10 and PM1 aerosol absorption Ångström exponents (α_{ap}), using the 450/550nm and 450/700nm, pairs broken down by individual seasons during the period 2010-2013. Months comprising the seasons are DJF (winter), MAM (spring), JJA (summer), and SON (fall). The values corresponding to 'ALL' are median values over the given seasons for the entire period.