

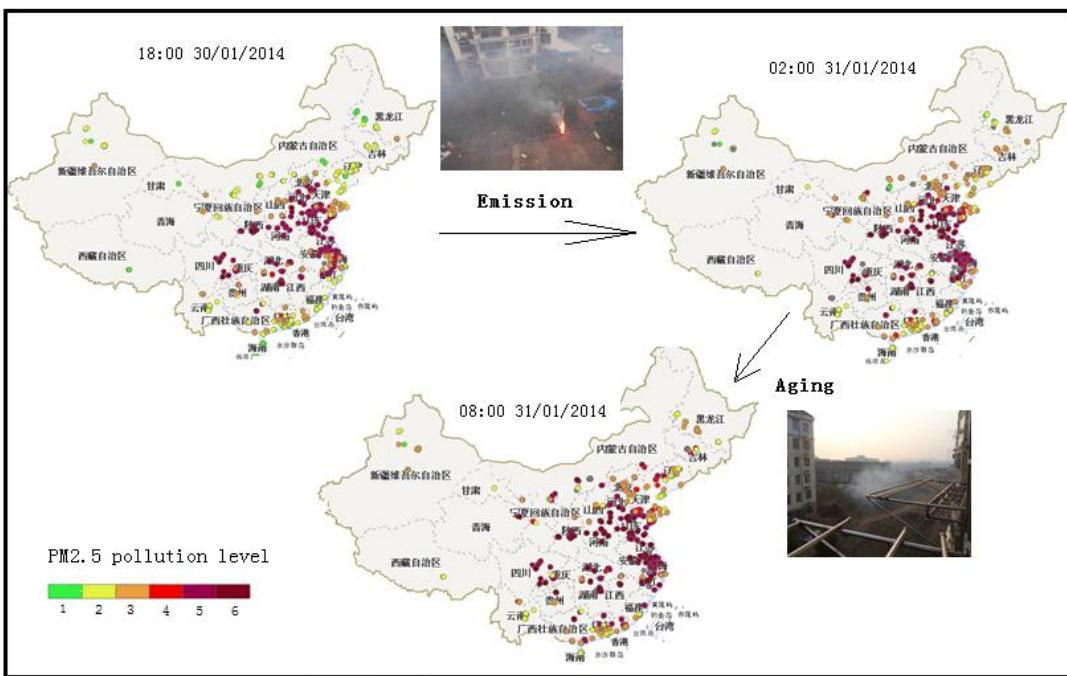


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## **The impacts of fireworks burning at Chinese Spring Festival on air quality and human health: insights of tracers, source evolution and aging processes**

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S1 The regional pollution situation of atmospheric PM<sub>2.5</sub> at Chinese New Year's Eve of 2014.

S2 The materials used for producing fireworks

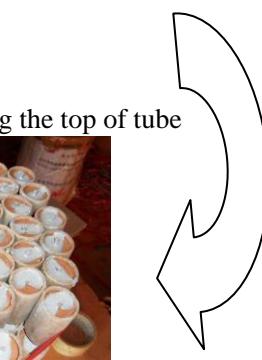
No.	Name	Chemical formula	CAS Number	Role	Characteristic
1	Potassium nitrate	KNO <sub>3</sub>	7757-79-1	to produce purple sparks	The basic formule of black powder reaction: $S + 2KNO_3 + 3C \rightarrow K_2S + N_2 \uparrow + 3CO_2 \uparrow$ Melting point: 334 °C Boiling Point: 400 °C
2	Potassium perchlorate	KClO <sub>4</sub>	7778-74-7	oxidant	Melting point: 610 °C Solubility in 20 °C water: 1.5 g/100 mL
3	Potassium chlorate	KClO <sub>3</sub>	3811-04-9	oxidant	Melting point: 356 °C Solubility in 20 °C water: 1 g/16.5 mL
4	Ammonium Perchlorate	NH <sub>4</sub> ClO <sub>4</sub>	7790-98-9	oxidant	Melting point: 350°C Solubility in 20 °C water: 7 g/100mL
5	Barium nitrate	Ba(NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	10022-31-8	to produce green sparks	Melting point:590 °C Solubility in 20 °C water: 9.02 g/100mL
6	Strontium nitrate	Sr(NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	10042-76-9	to produce red sparks, or serve as oxidant	Boiling Point:645°C Melting point: 570°C
7	Potassium dichromate	K <sub>2</sub> Cr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub>	7778-50-9	oxidant	Solubility in 20 °C water: 660 g/L Melting point: 398°C
8	Potassium Permanganate	KMnO <sub>4</sub>	7722-64-7	oxidant	Boiling Point: 500°C Melting point: 240°C SW: 6.38 g/100 mL
9	Copper(II) oxide	CuO	1317-38-0	to produce blue sparks, or serve as oxidant	Melting point: 1326°C
10	Copper carbonate basic	Cu <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	12069-69-1	to produce blue sparks	Melting point: 220°C
11	Sodium oxalate	Na <sub>2</sub> C <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	62-76-0	to produce yellow sparks	Melting point: 250-257 °C Solubility in 20 °C water: 37 g/L
12	Sodium silicate	Na <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>3</sub> 9H <sub>2</sub> O	1344-09-8	to produce yellow sparks	Melting point: 40-48°C
13	Aluminum	Al	7429-90-5	serve as luminescence agent or deoxidizer, or to	Melting point: 660°C

14	magnesium powder	Mg	7439-95-4	produce tracer bullets to produce white sparks, or serve as luminescence agent and deoxidizer	
15	Aluminium magnesium alloy powder	$Mg_4Al_3$	12604-68-1	luminescence agent and deoxidizer	
16	Sulfur		7704-34-9	deoxidizer	Melting point: 112 °C Boiling Point: 444.6 °C
17	Antimonous sulfide	$Sb_2S_3$	1345-04-6		Melting point: 550 °C
18	Lead tetroxide	$Pb_3O_4$	1314-41-6	oxidant	Boiling Point: 500°C
19	polyvinyl alcohol	$[C_2H_4O]_n$	9002-89-5	adhesive	Melting point: 230-240 °C
20	Polyvinyl chloride	$[C_2H_3Cl]_n$		toner and fuel	Melting point: 212°C
21	Phenol		9003-35-4	adhesive and fuel	Softing at 80-85 °C
22	Formaldehyde			adhesive	Melting point: 115-120°C
23	Shellac		9000-59-3		Melting point: 121.5-123.5°C
24	Potassium benzoate	$C_2H_5KO_2$	582-25-2	to form howling sound	
25	Nitrocellulose	$C_{12}H_{16}N_4O_{18}$	9004-70-0	to produce smokeless powder	
26	Paraffin	$C_nH_{2n+2}$	8002-74-2	desensitizer for explosive	Melting point: 47-64 °C
27	Stearic acid	$C_{18}H_{36}O_2$	57-11-4	desensitizer for explosive	Solubility in 23 °C water: 0.1-1 g/100 mL
28	Paper tube			serve as barrel of fireworks with specific shape and size	
	Furnish paper			rolling the paper tube to furnish it	

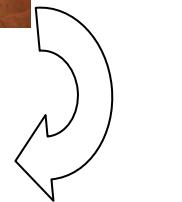
(1) Rolling paper tube



(2) Sealing the bottom of paper tube with clay



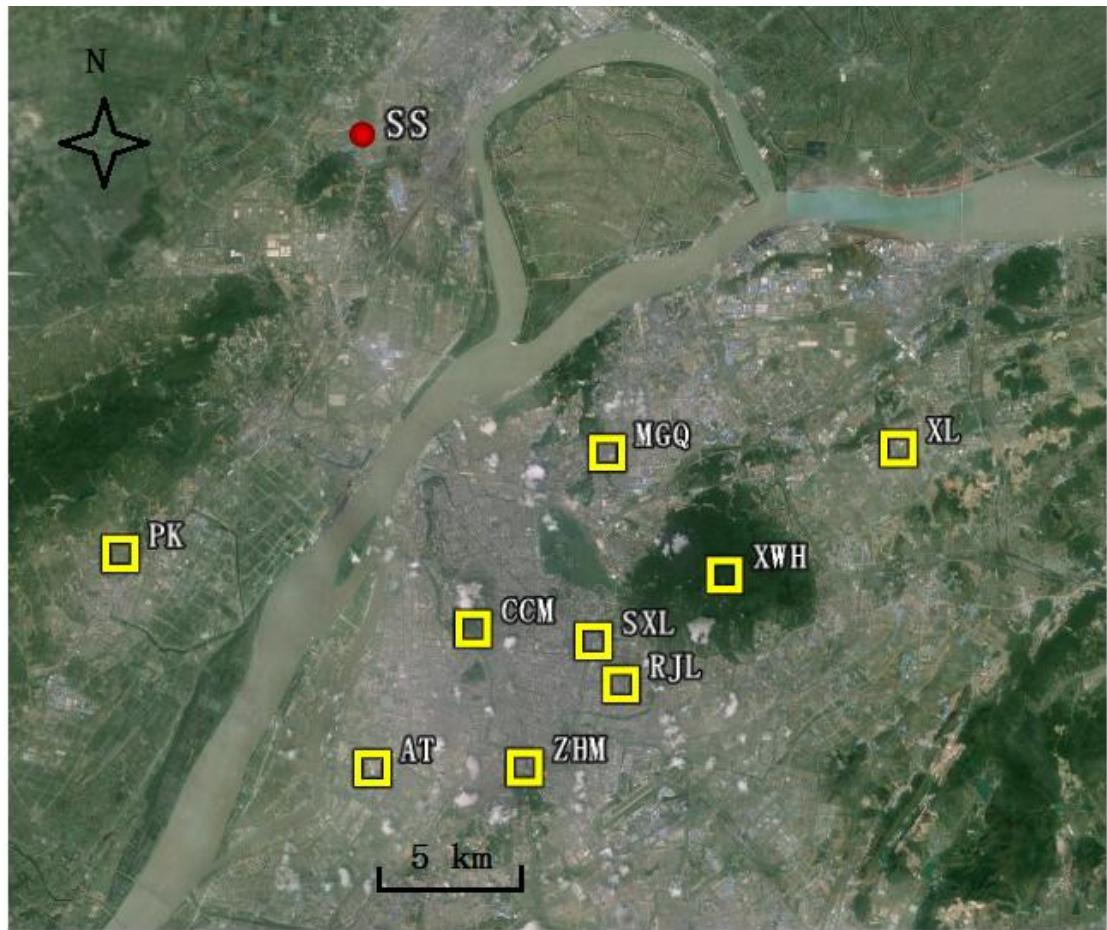
(3) Filling black powder into paper tube and sealing the top of tube



(4) Furnish the tube with colorful papers



S3 Manufacture procedures for fireworks



S4 Locations of the nine air quality monitoring sites at urban Nanjing set by Jiangsu Environmental Monitoring Center and the sampling site (SS) of this study at Nanjing University of Information Science and Technology (NUIST).



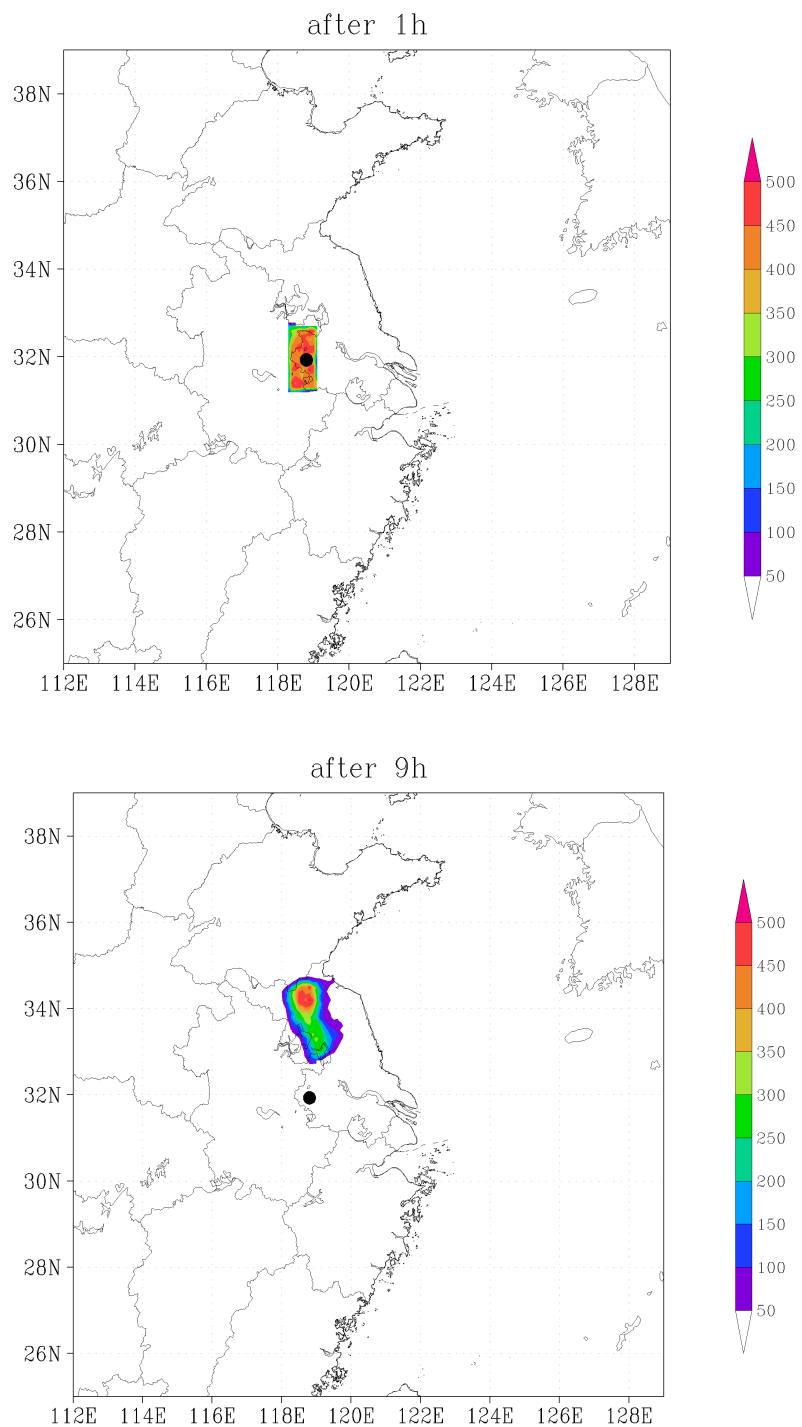
S5 Quartz and polypropylene fiber filters obtained for each day

S6 Correlations of PM<sub>2.5</sub> mass concentrations at NUIST and other nine sites at urban Nanjing

	MGQ	CCM	SXL	ZHM	RJL	XWH	PK	AT	XL	NUIST
MGQ	1									
CCM	0.99**	1								
SXL	0.99 **	0.99**	1							
ZHM	0.99**	0.99**	0.99**	1						
RJL	0.98 **	0.97**	0.97**	0.98**	1					
XWH	0.98**	0.99**	0.99**	0.99**	0.96**	1				
PK	0.97**	0.99**	0.99**	0.98**	0.95**	0.99**	1			
AT	0.97**	0.99**	0.99**	0.99**	0.96**	0.99 **	0.99 **	1		
XL	0.98**	0.99**	0.99 **	0.99**	0.95**	0.99**	0.99**	0.99 **	1	.
NUIST	0.97**	0.97**	0.97**	0.97**	0.97**	0.96**	0.96**	0.96**	0.96**	1

\*\* Pearson correlation is significant at the 0.01 level (2-tailed).

The locations of the nine sites and NUSIT can be found in S4.



S7 Movements of the center with highest PM<sub>2.5</sub> mass concentrations by WRF-FLEXPART simulating at the Chinese New Year 'Eve, 2014 in Nanjing. The initial hour was set as 02:00 h of Jan. 31. The right colorful column indicated the mass concentrations of PM<sub>2.5</sub> ( $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ ).

S8 Factor loading matrix for principal component analysis of PM<sub>2.5</sub> at Pre-SF (a), SF (b), after SF (c) and the whole period (d)

(a)	Factor 1	Factor 2	Factor 3	Factor 4	Factor 5
Cl <sup>-</sup>	0.10	0.40	0.27	0.86	-0.12
Na <sup>+</sup>	-0.17	0.66	0.14	0.72	0.02
P	0.48	0.51	0.06	0.61	-0.03
Be	0.66	0.16	0.30	0.61	-0.27
Na	0.23	-0.03	0.77	0.60	0.01
U	0.67	0.37	0.27	0.55	-0.21
K <sup>+</sup>	-0.45	0.76	0.02	0.45	0.09
Sc	0.65	-0.13	0.61	0.43	0.06
Y	0.52	-0.07	0.76	0.37	0.07
Li	0.88	0.29	0.07	0.33	0.15
Sm	0.40	0.18	0.85	0.29	0.08
NO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	0.08	0.54	0.04	0.28	-0.79
Sn	0.91	0.23	-0.19	0.28	0.08
OC	0.86	0.40	-0.20	0.26	-0.02
V	-0.20	0.89	0.21	0.26	-0.23
Sb	0.93	-0.15	-0.13	0.23	0.20
Zn	0.84	0.17	-0.10	0.23	0.44
NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	0.30	0.88	0.00	0.21	-0.31
Co	0.84	0.00	0.50	0.20	-0.08
Ti	-0.04	0.16	0.42	0.18	0.87
Zr	0.94	0.30	0.05	0.15	-0.04
Ce	-0.13	0.21	0.96	0.15	-0.01
Si	0.97	0.01	0.20	0.14	0.06
La	-0.27	0.24	0.92	0.13	-0.02
Mn	0.97	-0.10	0.12	0.11	0.15
Ca <sup>2+</sup>	-0.40	-0.78	-0.11	0.09	-0.46
Ca	0.88	-0.42	0.04	0.08	0.20
Cs	-0.11	-0.94	-0.13	0.06	-0.30
Ni	-0.14	0.41	0.90	0.03	-0.07
Cr	0.87	0.16	0.46	0.02	-0.09
Mo	0.96	0.04	0.14	0.00	-0.24
F	0.82	0.39	0.41	-0.01	0.10
NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup>	0.27	0.90	0.24	-0.01	-0.24
K	0.94	0.27	-0.01	-0.02	-0.22
Th	0.14	0.11	0.98	-0.02	0.04
Sr	0.79	-0.29	-0.01	-0.05	0.54
Al	0.95	-0.15	0.19	-0.08	0.16
SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup>	0.96	0.62	0.28	-0.08	-0.07
Rb	0.60	-0.70	-0.05	-0.09	-0.38
As	0.98	0.20	0.01	-0.09	-0.05
Ba	0.71	-0.08	-0.01	-0.10	0.69
Bi	0.94	0.14	-0.08	-0.12	0.26
EC	0.98	0.03	0.05	-0.20	0.07

Pb	0.94	0.06	-0.13	-0.22	0.20
Cd	0.96	0.06	-0.01	-0.25	-0.07
Tl	0.91	-0.21	-0.04	-0.27	-0.23
Fe	0.82	-0.20	0.27	-0.30	0.35
Mg	0.53	0.06	0.64	-0.32	0.46
Cu	0.32	-0.01	-0.50	-0.50	0.64
W	0.15	0.16	-0.51	-0.55	0.63
Mg <sup>2+</sup>	0.34	0.26	-0.34	-0.84	0.06
% of Variance	45.6	17.0	16.5	11.5	9.4
Cumulative %	45.6	62.6	79.2	90.6	100.0
Sources	Coal combustion	Vehicle emission	road dust	Sea salt	Firework

Pre-SF indicated the period before Spring Festival (SF) of 2014, covering the days from Jan. 24 to Jan. 29; SF indicated the period during SF, covering the days from Jan. 30 to Feb. 6; After-SF indicated the period after SF, covering the days from Feb.12 to Feb.21.

(b)	Factor 1	Factor 2	Factor 3	Factor 4	Factor 5
Na <sup>+</sup>	0.16	-0.14	0.03	0.11	0.96
Ca	0.44	-0.56	-0.13	0.39	0.56
Mg	0.69	-0.05	0.14	0.63	0.31
Zr	0.28	-0.33	0.09	0.84	0.30
Fe	0.67	-0.01	0.23	0.65	0.28
Be	0.66	0.54	0.40	-0.09	0.26
V	0.55	0.57	0.06	0.58	0.18
Bi	0.91	0.14	0.07	0.34	0.15
OC	0.80	0.36	0.28	0.36	0.15
Sr	0.96	-0.03	0.06	0.23	0.14
Sn	0.90	0.11	0.16	0.36	0.14
K <sup>+</sup>	0.91	0.30	0.16	0.21	0.13
Y	0.51	0.32	0.45	0.64	0.13
Mn	0.79	0.29	0.27	0.45	0.13
Ce	0.32	0.11	0.92	0.12	0.13
U	0.70	0.41	0.43	0.37	0.13
Co	0.70	0.35	0.41	0.45	0.12
Ba	0.97	0.00	0.08	0.19	0.12
Sc	0.53	0.30	0.58	0.52	0.10
Mo	0.78	0.21	0.39	0.44	0.06
Al	0.98	-0.02	0.13	0.05	0.06
Ni	0.55	0.49	0.40	0.54	0.04
Sb	0.83	0.35	0.30	0.30	0.04
Cs	0.80	0.35	0.36	0.32	0.04
Pb	0.92	0.28	0.23	0.18	0.03
Li	0.79	0.28	0.40	0.37	0.03
NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	0.84	0.47	0.23	0.16	0.02
K	0.95	0.20	0.21	0.12	0.02
Cu	0.76	0.46	0.38	0.24	0.02
Cr	0.84	0.33	0.26	0.34	0.02
La	0.04	0.05	0.98	0.14	0.01
Sm	0.50	0.18	0.67	0.50	0.00
Cd	0.87	0.35	0.29	0.18	0.00
EC	0.81	0.40	0.38	0.20	-0.01
Si	0.94	-0.25	-0.01	0.09	-0.01
Zn	0.84	0.44	0.28	0.15	-0.02
Rb	0.80	0.38	0.40	0.22	-0.03
As	0.77	0.54	0.26	0.21	-0.03
Cl <sup>-</sup>	0.97	0.04	0.25	-0.05	-0.03
Th	0.67	0.50	0.31	0.45	-0.04
NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup>	0.78	0.45	0.38	0.19	-0.09
Ca <sup>2+</sup>	0.32	0.76	0.53	0.17	-0.09
Tl	0.76	0.36	0.50	0.20	-0.09
Ti	0.48	-0.42	0.22	0.73	-0.10
Mg <sup>2+</sup>	0.11	0.97	-0.08	-0.09	-0.13

	W	0.40	0.72	0.52	-0.06	-0.20
	NO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-0.22	0.28	0.18	0.88	-0.24
	Na	0.59	0.49	0.35	0.44	-0.25
	F	0.46	0.67	0.48	0.15	-0.27
	SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup>	0.74	0.40	0.40	0.18	-0.33
	P	0.31	0.24	0.71	0.34	-0.46
% of Variance	50.0		15.6	14.6	14.4	4.8
Cumulative %	50.0		65.7	80.3	94.6	99.4
Sources	Firework	Coal combustion	Soil	Vehicle emission	Sea salt	

(c)	Factor 1	Factor 2	Factor 3	Factor 4	Factor 5	Factor 6	Factor 7	Factor 8
Mn	0.13	0.23	-0.09	0.01	0.13	-0.14	0.05	0.92
K <sup>+</sup>	0.17	0.72	0.55	0.09	0.01	0.02	0.14	0.34
V	0.31	0.80	0.35	-0.09	0.00	-0.09	0.09	0.32
Sb	0.52	0.55	0.50	0.12	0.22	-0.05	0.09	0.31
Mo	0.43	0.71	0.14	0.02	0.26	-0.07	0.03	0.27
NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup>	0.59	0.44	0.38	0.31	0.26	0.23	0.13	0.24
EC	0.49	0.25	0.30	0.39	0.47	0.37	0.16	0.24
Cr	0.74	0.49	0.28	0.04	0.19	0.00	0.09	0.23
Sn	0.89	0.37	0.13	0.04	0.11	0.03	0.07	0.20
Co	0.22	0.09	0.10	0.03	-0.02	-0.93	-0.05	0.16
Mg <sup>2+</sup>	0.77	0.11	0.18	0.00	-0.45	0.35	0.00	0.15
Zn	0.88	0.28	0.08	0.29	0.08	0.09	0.12	0.12
Ca <sup>2+</sup>	0.85	0.17	0.15	0.33	0.23	0.16	0.07	0.12
SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup>	0.73	0.07	0.20	0.52	0.11	0.35	-0.02	0.11
Cl <sup>-</sup>	0.05	0.79	0.38	0.32	0.30	0.07	-0.06	0.10
Li	0.87	0.43	0.11	0.14	0.04	-0.02	0.13	0.10
U	0.75	0.45	0.25	0.18	0.26	0.05	0.05	0.10
Ni	0.23	0.20	0.05	-0.09	0.13	0.15	0.92	0.08
NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	0.69	0.23	0.34	0.29	0.35	0.33	0.14	0.07
Na	0.71	0.60	0.29	0.09	0.17	-0.01	0.01	0.07
Cd	0.69	0.47	0.28	0.32	0.17	0.08	0.27	0.06
Na+	0.40	0.20	-0.02	0.85	0.13	-0.06	-0.21	0.06
Fe	0.70	0.57	0.19	0.27	-0.20	0.10	0.10	0.06
As	0.67	0.48	0.21	0.38	0.22	0.07	0.16	0.06
Be	0.69	0.58	0.03	0.23	-0.03	-0.19	0.26	0.04
Y	0.90	0.33	0.12	0.20	0.00	-0.10	0.15	0.03
OC	0.51	0.39	0.47	0.17	0.49	0.26	-0.04	0.02
Si	0.92	0.17	0.19	0.26	-0.09	0.01	0.06	0.02
Sm	0.94	0.24	0.08	0.19	0.03	-0.05	0.12	0.02
Ca	0.57	0.39	0.29	0.63	-0.03	-0.11	0.13	0.01
Ce	0.98	0.15	0.05	0.04	-0.03	-0.12	0.04	0.01
Tl	0.61	0.70	0.20	0.26	0.09	0.02	0.14	0.00
Al	0.73	0.20	0.54	0.36	-0.06	0.03	0.03	-0.01
W	0.06	-0.03	0.71	-0.08	0.63	0.19	0.20	-0.01
Bi	0.49	0.44	0.67	0.28	0.07	0.05	0.15	-0.01
Pb	0.58	0.56	0.41	0.23	0.27	0.09	0.08	-0.02
F <sup>-</sup>	0.28	0.24	0.49	0.19	0.12	-0.29	0.68	-0.02
K	0.26	0.48	0.81	0.07	0.18	0.06	0.01	-0.02
Ba	0.07	0.12	0.97	0.02	-0.11	-0.09	0.02	-0.02
Sr	0.14	0.15	0.97	0.09	-0.05	-0.07	0.04	-0.03
Ti	0.37	0.00	-0.14	-0.10	-0.83	0.29	-0.13	-0.03
Cs	0.54	0.79	0.08	0.10	-0.06	-0.02	0.23	-0.04
Sc	0.84	0.39	0.15	0.25	0.03	-0.11	0.20	-0.04
Rb	0.51	0.77	0.20	0.24	-0.02	0.00	0.19	-0.04

Cu	0.15	0.34	0.68	0.28	0.55	-0.01	0.14	-0.05
La	0.95	0.04	0.04	-0.04	-0.05	-0.27	-0.05	-0.05
Mg	0.54	0.33	0.28	0.25	-0.18	0.51	-0.11	-0.06
Zr	0.34	0.11	0.20	0.26	0.26	0.03	0.13	-0.09
P	0.69	0.37	0.25	0.18	0.18	-0.49	0.03	-0.10
NO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-0.26	-0.27	0.19	-0.24	-0.84	-0.11	-0.01	-0.22
Th	0.52	0.55	0.00	0.10	0.19	-0.01	0.01	-0.23
% of Variance	37.0	18.5	13.9	8.2	7.6	4.9	4.0	3.4
Cumulative %	37.0	55.4	69.3	77.5	85.1	90.0	94.0	97.5
Sources	Coal combustion	Soil	Firework	Sea salt	Vehicle emission	Road dust	Heavy oil burning	Industrial

(d)	Factor 1	Factor 2	Factor 3	Factor 4	Factor 5	Factor 6	Factor 7	Factor 8
Li	0.36	0.63	0.42	0.38	0.28	0.12	0.09	0.06
Be	0.10	0.69	0.41	0.34	0.30	-0.01	0.13	-0.14
Na	0.18	0.68	0.59	-0.01	0.12	-0.08	0.23	-0.03
Mg	0.56	0.28	0.28	0.21	0.14	-0.10	-0.11	0.54
Al	0.96	0.05	0.07	0.20	0.01	0.05	0.09	0.09
Si	0.31	0.50	0.38	0.62	0.07	-0.08	0.10	0.19
P	0.14	0.52	0.72	0.08	-0.04	-0.13	-0.07	-0.28
K	0.97	0.00	0.14	0.00	0.04	0.17	0.06	0.00
Ca	0.13	0.26	0.28	0.80	0.21	-0.13	0.19	0.15
Sc	0.03	0.78	0.34	0.42	0.24	0.02	0.12	0.06
Ti	-0.01	0.48	0.05	-0.06	-0.22	-0.18	-0.06	0.65
V	0.54	0.37	0.27	-0.13	0.47	0.21	-0.08	-0.07
Cr	0.63	0.43	0.42	0.21	0.36	0.17	-0.04	0.11
Mn	0.01	0.14	0.10	0.11	0.70	-0.04	-0.11	-0.03
Fe	0.14	0.33	0.47	0.48	0.30	-0.02	0.10	0.54
Co	0.33	0.29	0.21	0.14	0.46	-0.05	-0.36	-0.07
Ni	0.02	0.62	0.06	-0.17	0.33	0.11	-0.14	0.11
Cu	0.66	0.07	0.46	-0.01	0.23	0.36	0.21	0.07
Zn	0.14	0.54	0.45	0.51	0.23	0.15	0.13	0.13
As	0.45	0.20	0.74	0.30	0.18	0.19	0.03	0.09
Rb	0.44	0.45	0.33	0.24	0.41	0.19	0.36	0.03
Sr	0.99	-0.08	-0.02	0.04	0.01	-0.01	0.00	0.07
Y	0.04	0.82	0.29	0.39	0.23	0.03	0.07	0.10
Zr	0.09	0.24	0.23	0.76	0.10	0.01	-0.05	-0.15
Mo	0.14	0.42	0.23	0.27	0.73	0.07	0.07	0.04
Cd	0.36	0.11	0.78	0.31	0.16	0.06	0.12	0.19
Sn	0.66	0.28	0.53	0.31	0.19	-0.04	0.05	0.07
Sb	0.47	0.14	0.79	0.16	0.12	-0.03	0.19	0.10
Cs	0.18	0.51	0.05	0.23	0.53	0.13	0.44	0.04
Ba	0.99	-0.09	-0.03	0.01	0.00	0.02	0.01	0.05
La	0.07	0.90	-0.04	0.01	-0.09	0.08	-0.14	0.04
Ce	0.02	0.95	0.02	0.16	0.02	0.03	-0.02	0.10
Sm	0.01	0.86	0.19	0.40	0.16	0.07	0.04	0.09
W	0.24	-0.02	0.49	-0.15	0.13	0.61	0.25	0.09
Tl	0.28	0.35	0.58	0.36	0.39	0.15	0.27	0.12
Pb	0.74	0.14	0.54	0.19	0.17	0.15	0.19	0.14
Bi	0.93	-0.01	0.29	0.12	0.07	0.05	0.01	0.13
Th	0.09	0.74	0.29	0.01	0.25	0.02	0.12	0.15
U	0.08	0.67	0.37	0.35	0.43	0.08	0.04	-0.08
Na <sup>+</sup>	0.06	0.44	0.57	-0.01	-0.27	-0.36	0.26	-0.30
NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup>	0.70	0.34	0.10	0.14	0.27	0.48	-0.02	-0.10
K <sup>+</sup>	0.96	-0.02	0.01	-0.07	0.03	0.23	-0.06	-0.04
Ca <sup>2+</sup>	0.43	0.23	-0.23	0.23	0.08	0.74	-0.05	-0.15
Mg <sup>2+</sup>	0.28	-0.04	0.13	-0.16	-0.07	0.79	-0.08	-0.06

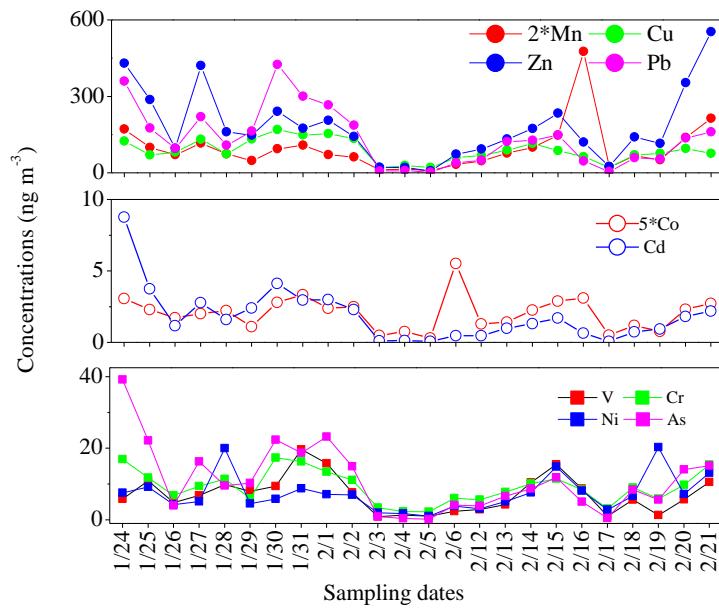
F	0.57	0.18	0.43	-0.01	0.03	0.54	-0.20	-0.01
Cl <sup>-</sup>	0.80	0.25	0.25	-0.01	0.18	-0.06	0.32	-0.17
NO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-0.09	-0.03	-0.20	-0.12	0.12	0.09	-0.81	0.06
NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	0.68	0.36	0.19	0.18	0.16	0.41	-0.03	-0.10
SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup>	0.80	0.14	0.02	0.14	-0.20	0.47	-0.04	-0.10
OC	-0.02	0.27	0.88	0.14	0.12	0.09	-0.02	-0.06
EC	-0.01	0.15	0.87	0.25	0.16	0.20	0.00	0.19
% of Variance	24.02	19.34	16.52	8.09	7.15	6.35	3.71	3.26
Cumulative %	24.02	43.36	59.89	67.97	75.12	81.47	85.18	88.44
Sources	Firework	Coal combustion	vehicle emission	soil dust	Iron smelt	road dust	Industrial 1	Industrial 2

Industrial 1: element Cs is used in phototube, chemical and medical industries; Rb is used in phototube, photovoltaic cells, glass and ceramics. Industrial 2: element Ti is widely used in producing tanks, pipelines and other equipments of petrochemical industries; Mg is widely used in iron smelt, petrochemical and manufacturing industries. These industries are all existed at the surroundings of the sampling site. In Fig. 9, the contributions of industrial 1 and industrial 2 are combined together.

S9 Correlation coefficients ( $R^2$ ) of  $\text{NO}_3^-$  and  $\text{SO}_4^{2-}$  with metals-Fe, Cu and Mn under certain relative humidity (RH) bins.

RH (%)	$R^2$			RH (%)	$R^2$		
	Fe- $\text{NO}_3^-$	Mn- $\text{NO}_3^-$	Cu- $\text{NO}_3^-$		Fe- $\text{SO}_4^{2-}$	Mn- $\text{SO}_4^{2-}$	Cu- $\text{SO}_4^{2-}$
>25	0.11	0.04	0.54	>25	0.01	0.00	0.39
>40	0.25	0.05	0.56	>40	0.07	0.00	0.42
>50	0.29	0.03	0.58	>50	0.07	0.00	0.46
>55	0.48	0.03	0.68	>55	0.19	0.00	0.57
>60	0.47	0.03	0.68	>60	0.16	0.00	0.57
>65	0.40	0.01	0.81	>65	0.20	0.00	0.63
>70	0.47	0.00	<b>0.84</b>	>70	0.31	0.00	0.63
>75	0.68	0.01	0.82	>75	0.43	0.00	0.59
>80	0.58	0.01	0.75	>80	0.45	0.01	0.71
>85	<b>0.95</b>	<b>0.89</b>	0.70	>85	<b>0.65</b>	<b>0.60</b>	0.65
>90	0.44	0.92	0.54	>90	0.08	0.07	<b>0.94</b>

The highest  $R^2$  for each combination were shown in bold.



S10 Time series of heavy metals during sampling period. Jan. 30-Feb.7 belongs to the Chinese Spring Festival in 2014; Jan. 30 is the Chinese New Year day; Feb. 14 is the Lantern Festival day.