

## Supporting Information

**Table 1.** Pearson's correlation coefficient ( $R^2$ ) between mass concentrations from ATOFMS (PM<sub>2.5</sub>), TEOM (PM<sub>10</sub> & PM<sub>1</sub>), ACSM (PM<sub>1</sub>), PILS (PM<sub>10</sub>) and MAAP (PM<sub>2.5</sub>) measurements and OPS number concentrations (#/cm<sup>3</sup>) for the full sampling period, and during specific periods.

$R^2$	ATOFMS total	ATOFMS EC-rich	ATOFMS K-rich	PM <sub>10</sub>	PM <sub>1</sub>	BC	ACSM total	ACSM SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup>	ACSM NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup>	ACSM SV-OOA	ACSM LV-OOA	PILS-IC SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup>	PILS-IC NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup>	OPS 0.3-0.579 $\mu\text{m}$ particles	*PILS Oxalate	*WSOC	**ATOFMS fresh sea salt	**PILS SSA	**OPS 0.579-2.156 $\mu\text{m}$ particles	***PILS MSA	***ACSM NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	***PILS NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>
ATOFMS total	1																					
ATOFMS EC-rich	0.73	1																				
ATOFMS K-rich	0.48	0.28	1																			
PM <sub>10</sub>	0.21	0.20	0.09	1																		
PM <sub>1</sub>	0.44	0.46	0.30	0.17	1																	
BC	0.55	0.50	0.37	0.19	0.40	1																
ACSM total	0.72	0.66	0.46	0.17	0.54	0.70	1															
ACSM SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup>	0.66	0.61	0.38	0.14	0.46	0.48	0.81	1														
ACSM NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup>	0.65	0.62	0.37	0.12	0.44	0.47	0.81	0.93	1													
ACSM SV-OOA	0.46	0.43	0.35	0.11	0.38	0.57	0.69	0.33	0.32	1												
ACSM LV-OOA	0.59	0.59	0.46	0.17	0.50	0.67	0.88	0.61	0.61	0.63	1											
PILS-IC SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup>	0.58	0.52	0.25	0.12	0.41	0.41	0.61	0.81	0.75	0.21	0.42	1										
PILS-IC NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup>	0.44	0.43	0.23	0.08	0.30	0.30	0.46	0.53	0.53	0.18	0.33	0.68	1									
OPS 0.3-0.579 $\mu\text{m}$ particles	0.73	0.69	0.49	0.24	0.54	0.57	0.82	0.71	0.70	0.54	0.75	0.60	0.46	1								
*PILS Oxalate	0.35	0.41	0.25	0.14	0.36	0.37	0.50	0.28	0.29	0.41	0.54	0.27	0.23	0.42	1							
*WSOC	0.44	0.37	0.29	0.24	0.42	0.46	0.50	0.19	0.18	0.60	0.58	0.19	0.09	0.44	0.55	1						
**ATOFMS fresh sea salt	0.04	0.07	0.05	0.04	0.02	0.04	0.12	0.07	0.05	0.15	0.16	0.06	0.18	0.02	0.01	N/A	1					
**PILS SSA	0.11	0.01	0.02	0.35	0.00	0.00	0.09	0.05	0.06	0.13	0.17	0.02	0.25	0.01	0.04	N/A	0.81	1				
**OPS 0.579-2.156 $\mu\text{m}$ particles	0.42	0.03	0.02	0.24	0.03	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.07	0.01	0.08	0.03	0.00	N/A	0.81	0.88	1			
***PILS MSA	0.18	0.19	0.06	0.05	0.16	0.06	0.21	0.35	0.37	0.001	0.17	0.48	0.54	0.20	0.08	0.03	0.06	0.00	0.02	1		
***ACSM NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	0.58	0.53	0.34	0.25	0.54	0.41	0.75	0.71	0.75	0.35	0.66	0.75	0.55	0.65	0.35	0.28	0.05	0.02	0.04	0.46		
***PILS NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	0.07	0.06	0.02	0.10	0.04	0.00	0.04	0.13	0.14	0.02	0.03	0.34	0.33	0.13	0.15	0.00	0.01	0.24	0.36	0.53		
																	0.20	1				

\*Correlations calculated from 21<sup>st</sup> June-4<sup>th</sup> August.

\*\*Correlations calculated from 20-27<sup>th</sup> June.

\*\*\*Correlations calculated from 23<sup>rd</sup> July-5<sup>th</sup> August

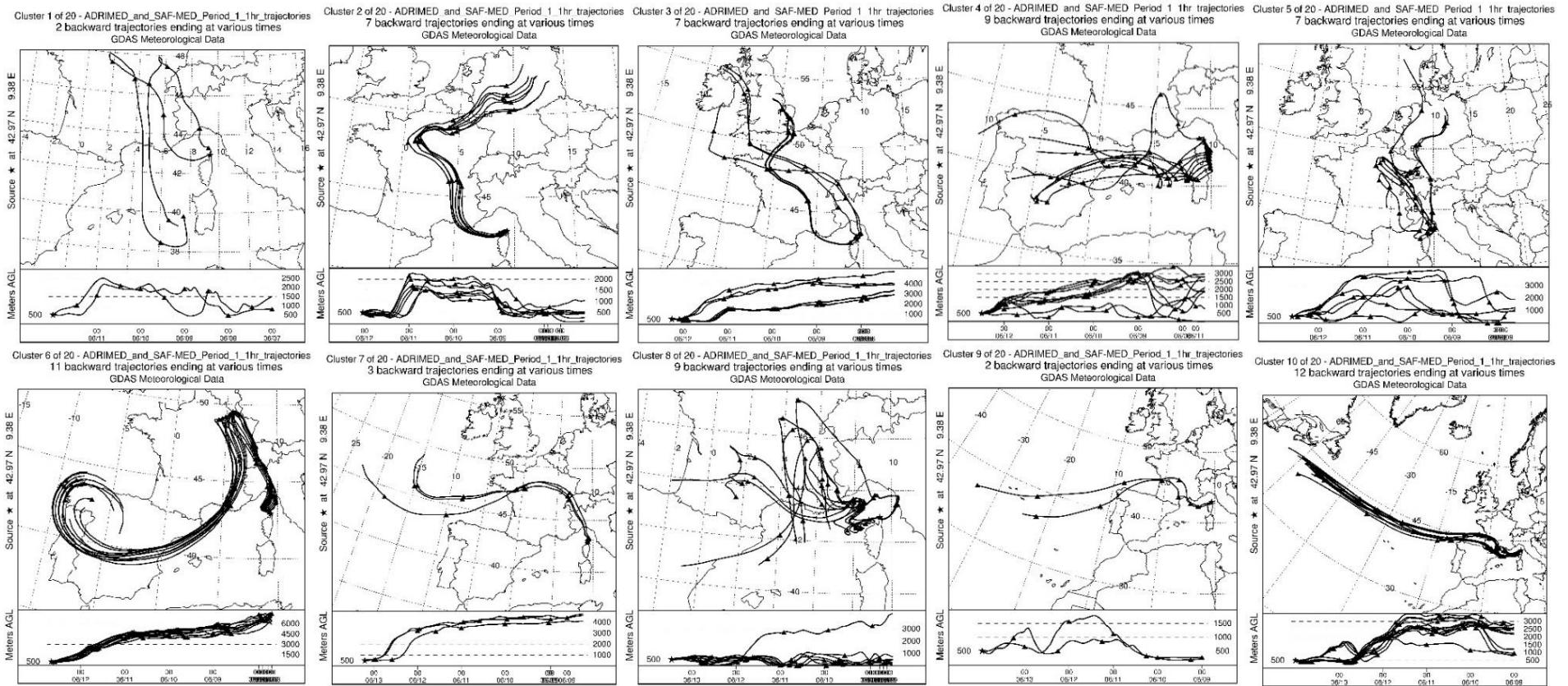


Figure 1. Individual HYSPLIT 120-hour back trajectories for each cluster for Period 1 during ADRIMED and SAF-MED.

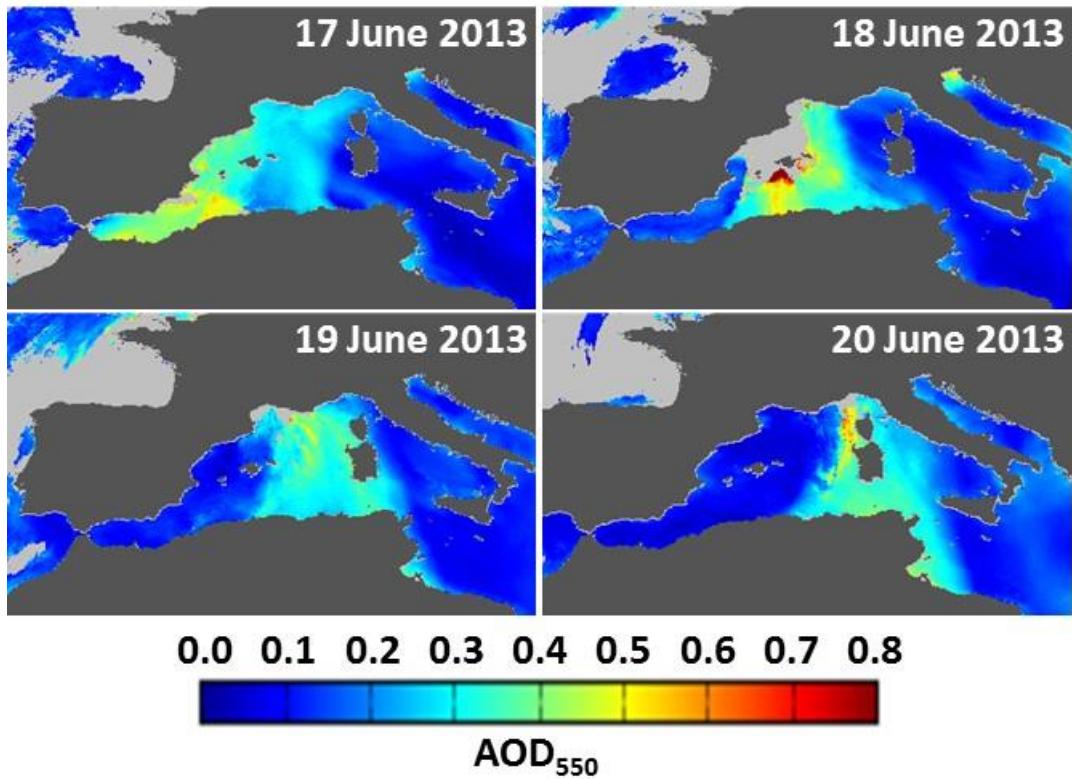


Figure 2. Daytime average aerosol optical depth at 550 nm ( $\text{AOD}_{550}$ ) derived from MSG/SEVIRI (Thieuleux et al., 2005) from 17th to 20th June 2013 showing a dust plume transport over the western Mediterranean basin (produced by <http://www.icare.univ-lille1.fr>). Land and cloudy pixels in dark and light grey, respectively.