

1 *Supplement of*
2 **Atmospheric teleconnection processes linking winter air**
3 **stagnation and haze extremes in China with regional Arctic sea**
4 **ice decline**

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15 **Table S1-S5**

16 **Figure S1-S8**

17 **Reference**

18 **Table S1. The 8 CMIP6 models used in this study**

| Model Name | Modeling Center | Institute ID | Experiment ID | Ensemble Member |
|--------------|--|---------------------|--|-----------------|
| CAMS-CSM1-0 | Chinese Academy of Meteorological Sciences | CAMS | Historical (Rong, 2019a) +ssp585 (Rong, 2019b) | r1i1p1f1 |
| CESM2 | National Center for Atmospheric Research | NCAR | Historical (Danabasoglu et al., 2019) +ssp585 (Danabasoglu, 2019a) | r1i1p1f1 |
| CESM2-WACCM | National Center for Atmospheric Research | NCAR | Historical (Danabasoglu, 2019b) +ssp585 (Danabasoglu, 2019c) | r1i1p1f1 |
| CanESM5 | Canadian Centre for Climate Modeling and Analysis | CCCma | Historical (CCCma, 2019a) +ssp585 (CCCma, 2019b) | r1i1p1f1 |
| EC-Earth3 | The European Earth consortium | EC-Earth-Consortium | Historical (EC-Earth, 2019a) +ssp585 (EC-Earth, 2019b) | r1i1p1f1 |
| GFDL-CM4 | National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Geophysical Fluid Dynamics Laboratory | NOAA-GFDL | Historical (Guo et al., 2018a) +ssp585 (Guo et al., 2018b) | r1i1p1f1 |
| IPSL-CM6A-LR | Institute Pierre-Simon Laplace | IPSL | Historical (Boucher, et al., 2018) +ssp585 (Boucher, et al., 2019) | r1i1p1f1 |

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| MIROC6 | JAMSTEC, AORI, NIES, and R-CCS | MIROC | Historical (Tatebe and Watanabe, 2018) +ssp585 (Shiogama, et al., 2019) | r1i1p1f1 |
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20 **Table S2. The statistical properties of the MCA_Z500 and ECP_PPI indices in the**
 21 **WACCM experiments**

| Variables | CTRL | | SENSall | | SENSr1 | | SENSr2 | | SENSr3 | |
|------------------------|------|-------|---------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|
| | Z500 | PPI | Z500 | PPI | Z500 | PPI | Z500 | PPI | Z500 | PPI |
| Mean | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.01 | -0.06 | -0.07 | -0.13 | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.01 | -0.02 |
| Std | 0.50 | 0.44 | 0.54 | 0.49 | 0.51 | 0.43 | 0.54 | 0.54 | 0.53 | 0.46 |
| Skewness | 0.17 | -0.13 | -0.66 | -0.18 | -0.13 | 0.24 | 0.73 | 0.56 | -0.39 | -0.32 |
| Kurtosis | 0.07 | -0.78 | 0.27 | 0.55 | -0.04 | -0.52 | 0.48 | -0.38 | -0.35 | -0.31 |
| p-value ^(a) | 0.51 | 0.21 | 0.01 | 0.21 | 1.00 | 0.39 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.13 | 0.17 |
| p-value ^(b) | – | – | 0.90 | 0.43 | 0.30 | 0.04 | 0.87 | 0.61 | 0.95 | 0.72 |

22 ^(a): p values of the Shapiro-Wilk normality test;

23 ^(b): p values of the two-sided Student's t-test for the ensemble mean comparison of the two-paired samples from
 24 CTRL and SENS experiments;

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26 **Table S3. The bootstrap (nboot=5000) estimates (mean \pm standard deviation) of positive**
27 **extreme probabilities of the MCA_Z500 and ECP_PPI indices in the WACCM experiments**

| | CTRL | SENSall | SENSr1 | SENSr2 | SENSr3 |
|----------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|
| MAC_Z500 | 5% \pm 0% | 4% \pm 4% | 4% \pm 2% | 9% \pm 3% | 6% \pm 3% |
| ECP_PPI | 5% \pm 0% | 6% \pm 3% | 2% \pm 1% | 11% \pm 3% | 6% \pm 2% |

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30 **Table S4. The bootstrap (nboot=5000) estimates (mean \pm standard deviation) of positive**
31 **extreme intensities of the MCA_Z500 and ECP_PPI indices in the WACCM experiments**

| | CTRL | SENSall | SENSr1 | SENSr2 | SENSr3 |
|----------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| MAC_Z500 | 1.01 \pm 0.10 | 0.92 \pm 0.08 | 1.00 \pm 0.08 | 1.27 \pm 0.08 | 1.02 \pm 0.08 |
| ECP_PPI | 0.87 \pm 0.06 | 0.85 \pm 0.06 | 0.86 \pm 0.06 | 1.16 \pm 0.06 | 0.89 \pm 0.05 |

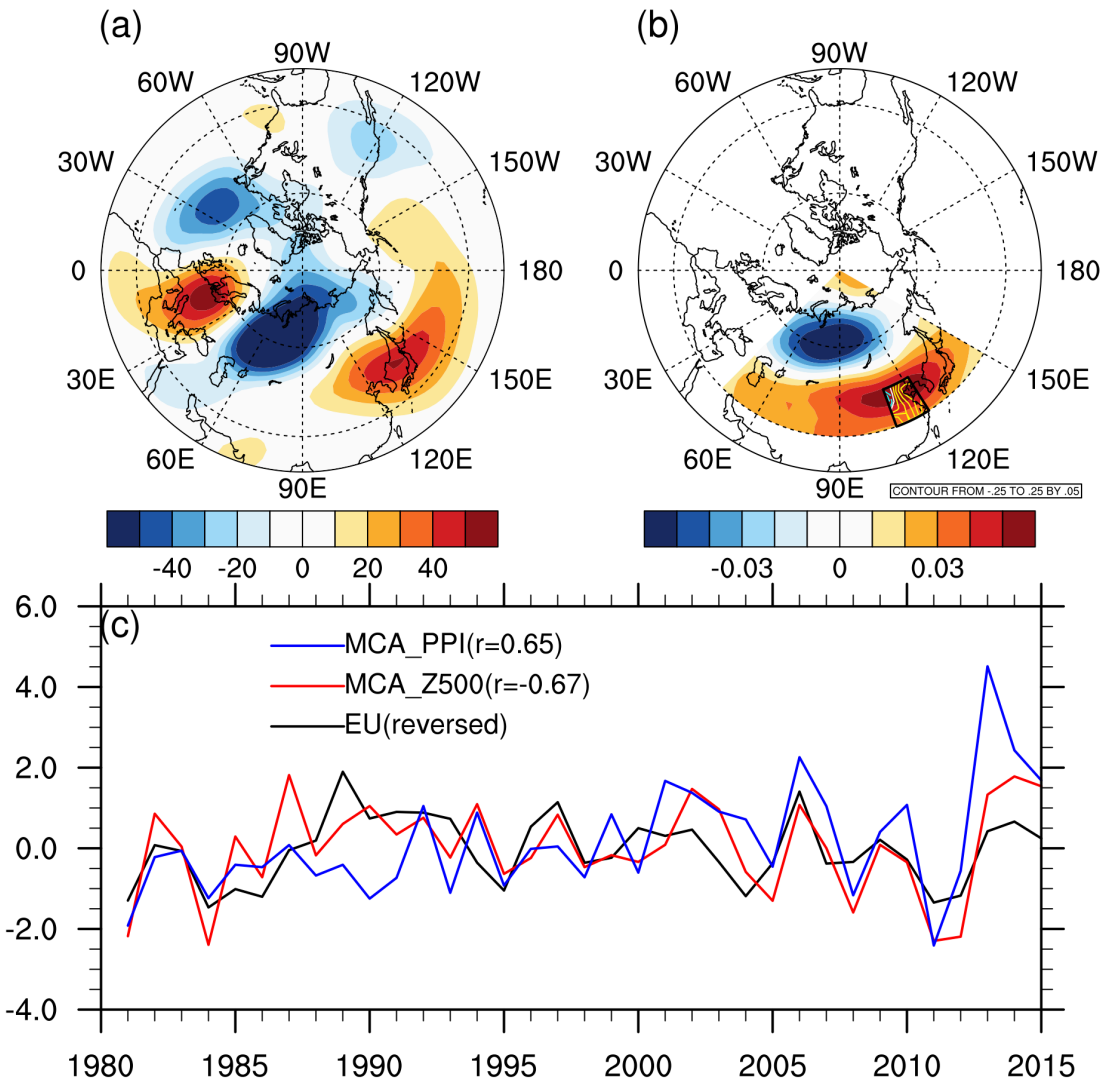
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33 **Table S5. Changes in ensemble mean values and probabilities of positive extreme values of**
 34 **ECP_PPI in the CMIP6 models**

| | Time | NCEP | CAMS- CSM1-0 | CESM2 | CESM2- WACCM | CanESM5 | EC- Earth3 | GFDL- CM4 | IPSL- CM6A- LR | MIROC6 |
|----------------------|------|-------|-----------------|-------|-----------------|---------|---------------|--------------|----------------------|--------|
| Mean | P1 | -0.38 | -0.36 | -0.07 | 0.03 | -0.02 | -0.27 | 0.06 | 0.12 | 0.12 |
| | P2 | 0.30 | -0.16 | 0.20 | 0.36 | 0.10 | -0.21 | 0.14 | 0.08 | 0.02 |
| | P3 | - | -0.23 | 0.11 | 0.27 | 0.22 | -0.25 | 0.26 | 0.30 | 0.00 |
| P _{extreme} | P1 | 5% | 5% | 5% | 5% | 5% | 5% | 5% | 5% | 5% |
| | P2 | 19% | 11% | 11% | 10% | 7% | 5% | 6% | 7% | 2% |
| | P3 | - | 13% | 13% | 6% | 12% | 2% | 13% | 11% | 4% |

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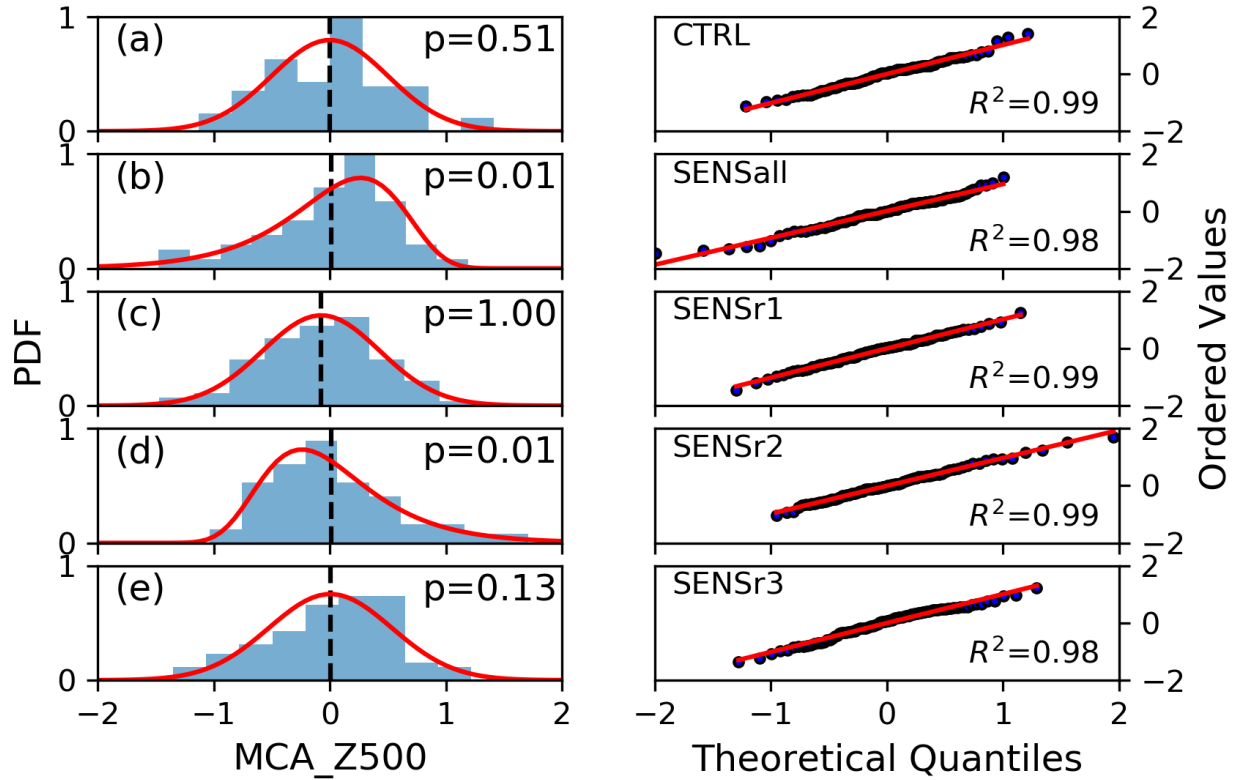
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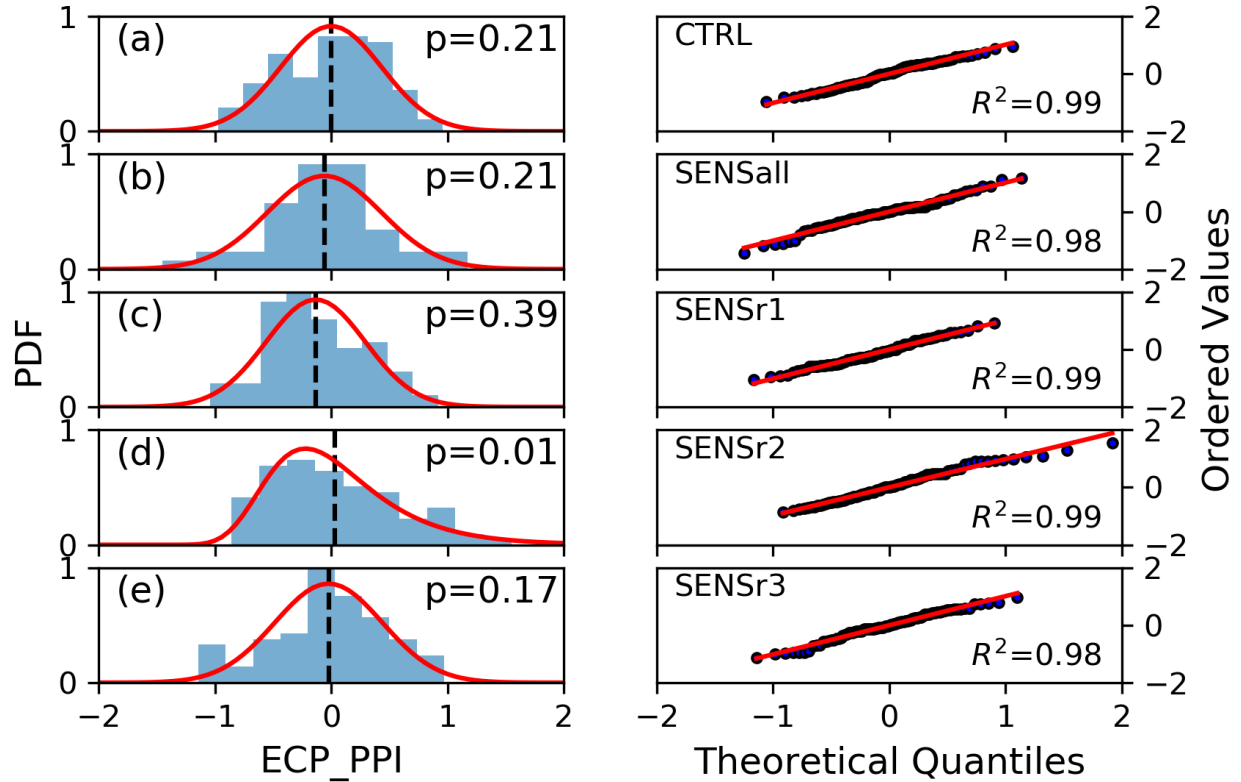
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40 **Figure S1. Comparison of the circulation patterns related with regional air stagnation over**41 **ECP. (a) spatial distribution of the EU pattern in negative phase (shading) in the 500 hPa**42 **geopotential height field (unit: m); (b) spatial distribution of the first modes of MCA_Z500**43 **in positive phase (shading) and MCA_PPI in positive phase (contours with interval of 0.05;**44 **the yellow solid lines denote the positive contours; the white line denotes the zero contour;**45 **the cyan dashed lines denote the negative contours); the black box denotes the ECP region**46 **(112° E to 122° E, 30° N to 41° N); (c) time series of the two circulation patterns and the**47 **MCA_PPI index in January from 1981 to 2015. The r value in the parentheses after the**48 **MCA_PPI legend is the correlation coefficient between MCA_PPI and MCA_Z500. The r**49 **value in the parentheses after the MCA_Z500 legend is the correlation coefficient between**50 **MCA_Z500 and EU. The sign of the EU index is reversed for better comparison with the****MCA_Z500 index.**



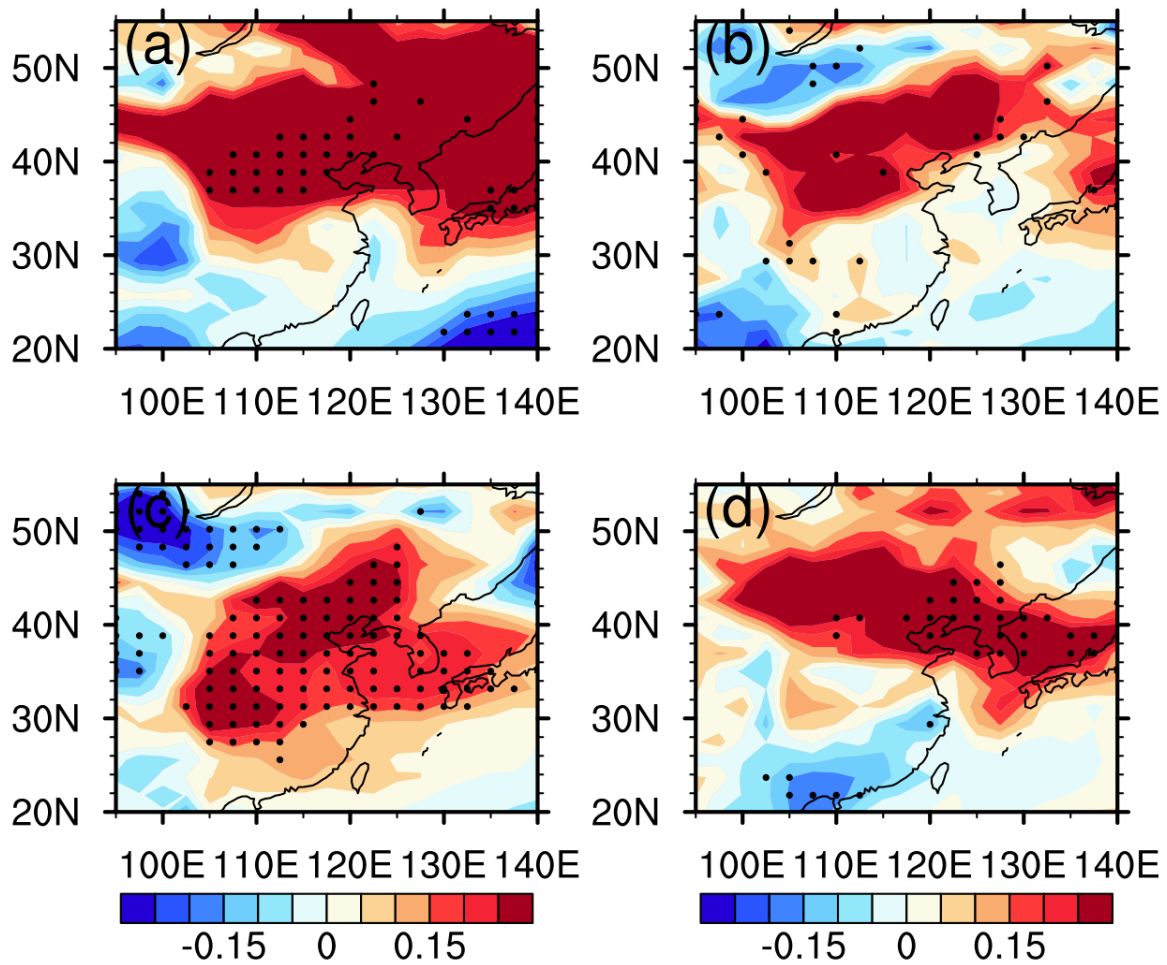
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53 **Figure S2. Evaluation of the MCA_Z500 distribution fitting in the WACCM experiments.**
 54 **The left panels show the comparison of the histograms and fitted PDF curves of**
 55 **MCA_Z500 in winter months (Dec, Jan, and Feb), and the right panels show the Q-Q plots**
 56 **by comparing the sample quantiles from the corresponding experiments against the**
 57 **theoretical ones of the distribution. The black dashed lines and p values in the left panel**
 58 **denote the ensemble means and the normality test results of each experiment, and the red**
 59 **lines and R^2 values in the right panel denote the least-squares regression fits to the quantile**
 60 **data and their corresponding goodness-of-fit. The statistical properties in Table S2 and the**
 61 **histograms of each experiment suggest (a) a normal distribution in CTRL; (b) a left-**
 62 **skewed distribution with “changed symmetry” in SENSa11; (c) a normal distribution with**
 63 **“increased variability” in SENSr1; (d) a right-skewed distribution with “changed**
 64 **symmetry” in SENSr2; (e) a normal distribution with “increased variability” in SENSr3.**

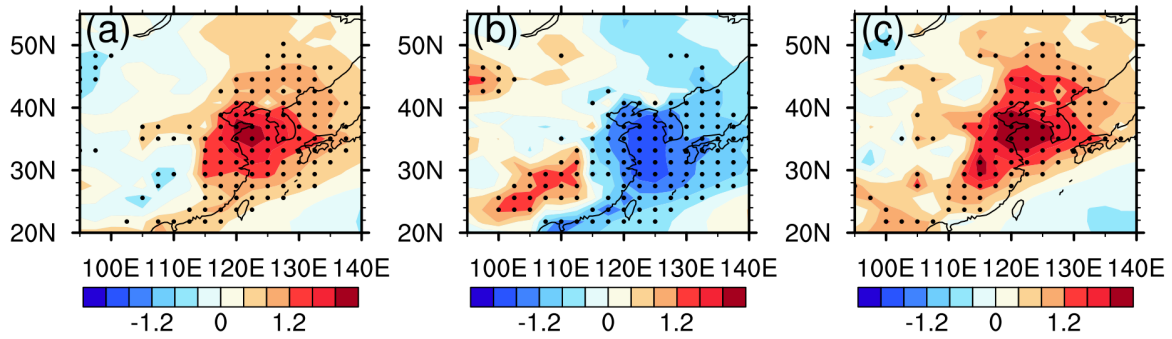


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Figure S3. Evaluation of the ECP_PPI distribution fitting in the WACCM experiments. The left panels show the comparison of the histograms and fitted PDF curves of ECP_PPI in winter months (Dec, Jan, and Feb), and the right panels show the Q-Q plots by comparing the sample quantiles from the corresponding experiments against the theoretical ones of the distribution. The black dashed lines and p values in the left panel denote the ensemble means and the normality test results of each experiment, and the red lines and R^2 values in the right panel denote the least-squares regression fits to the quantile data and their corresponding goodness-of-fit. The statistical properties in Table S2 and the histograms of each experiment suggest (a) a normal distribution in CTRL; (b) a normal distribution with “increased variability” in SENSr1; (c) a normal distribution with “shifted mean” in SENSr2; (d) a right-skewed distribution with “changed symmetry” in SENSr3; (e) a normal distribution with “increased variability” in SENSr3.

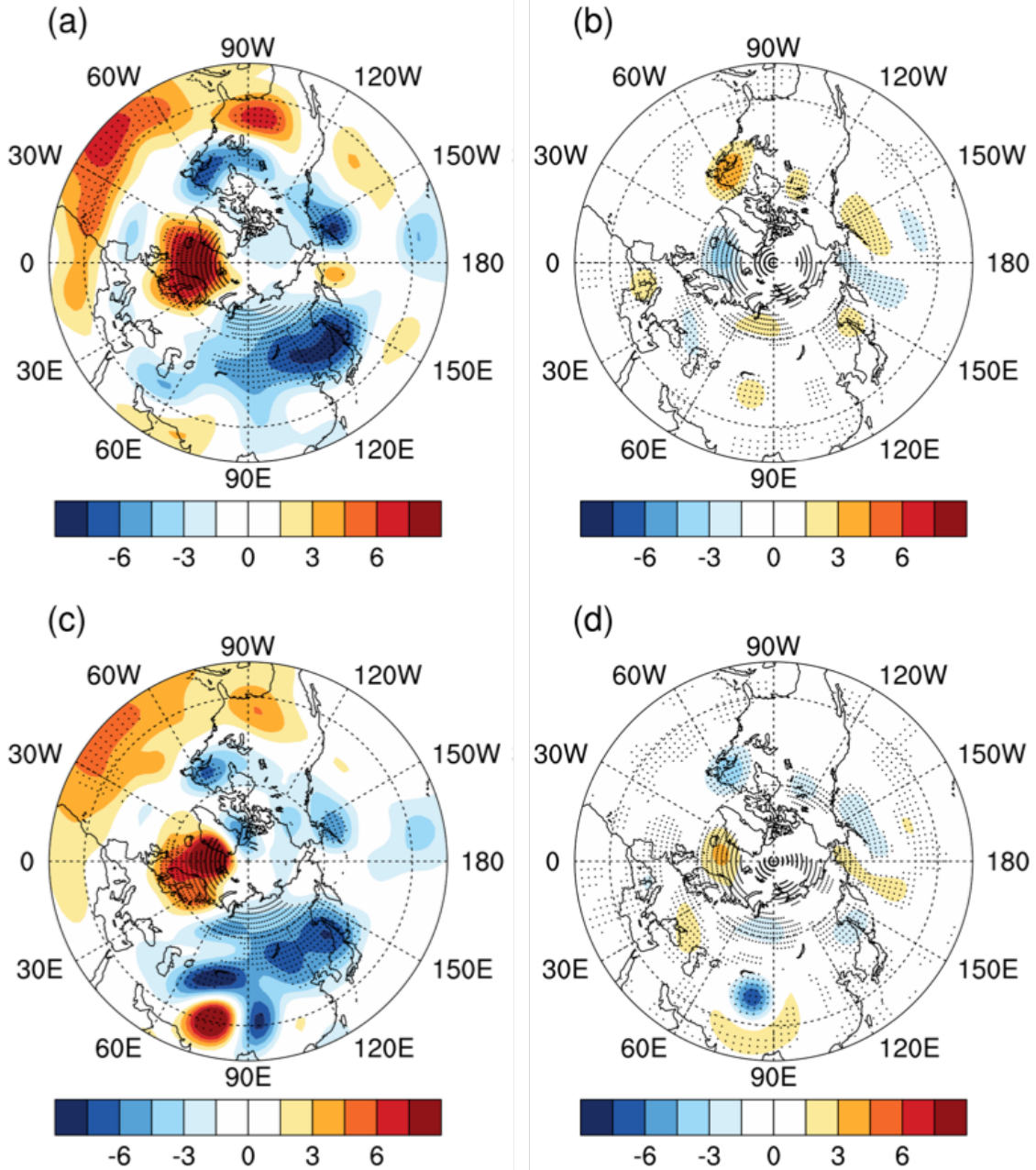


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 80 **Figure S4. Spatial distributions of surface PM_{2.5} concentration relative changes (unit:**
 81 **100%) in extreme members of each sensitivity experiment. (a) SENSall; (b) SENSr1; (c)**
 82 **SENSr2; (d) SENSr3. The black dots denote the 0.05 significance level.**



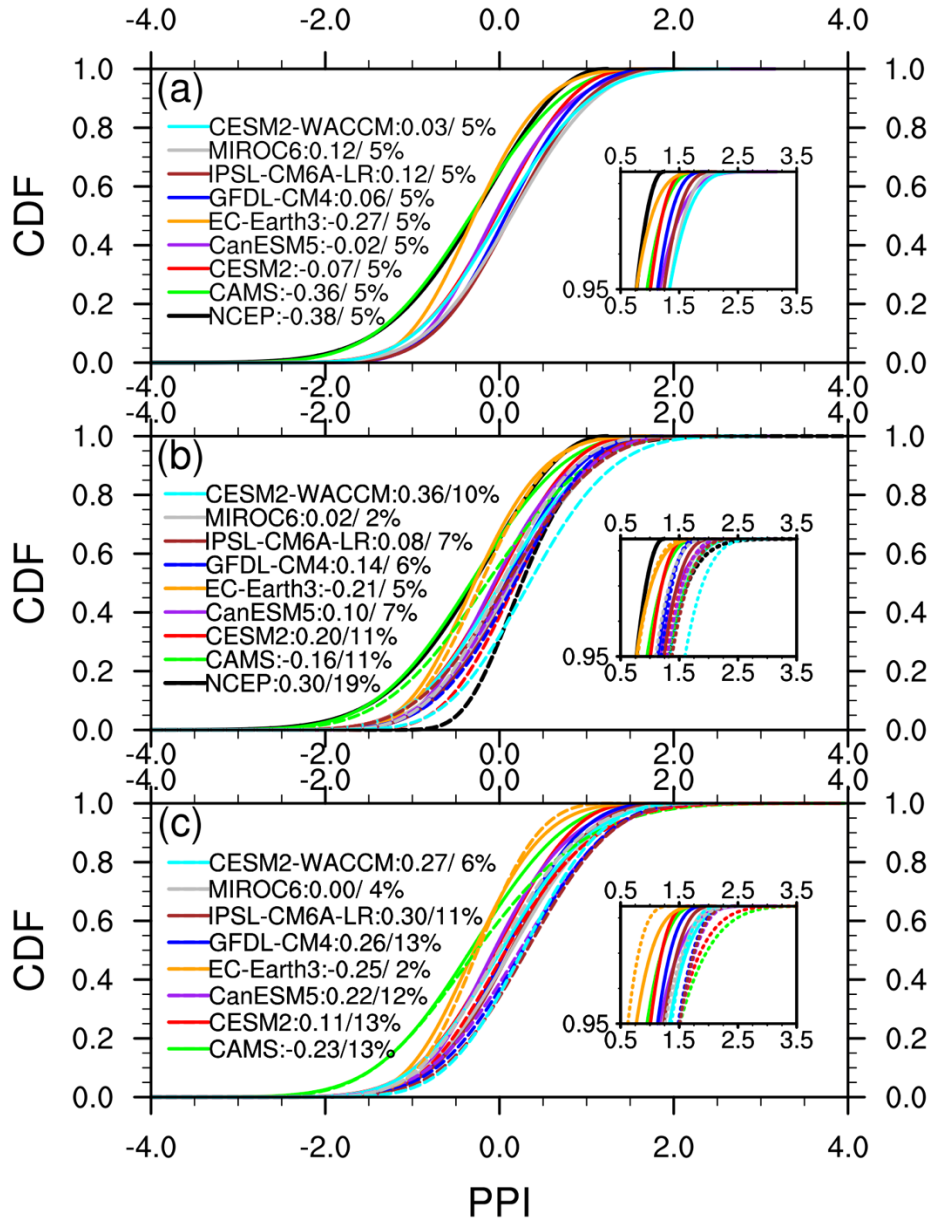
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85 **Figure S5. Spatial distributions of regional ventilation condition changes (unitless) in the**
 86 **SENSr2 experiment. (a) PPI differences between SENSr2 extreme members and CTRL**
 87 **ensemble mean; (b) WSI differences between SENSr2 extreme members and CTRL**
 88 **ensemble mean; (c) ATGI differences between SENSr2 extreme members and CTRL**
 89 **ensemble mean. The black dots denote the 0.05 significance level.**

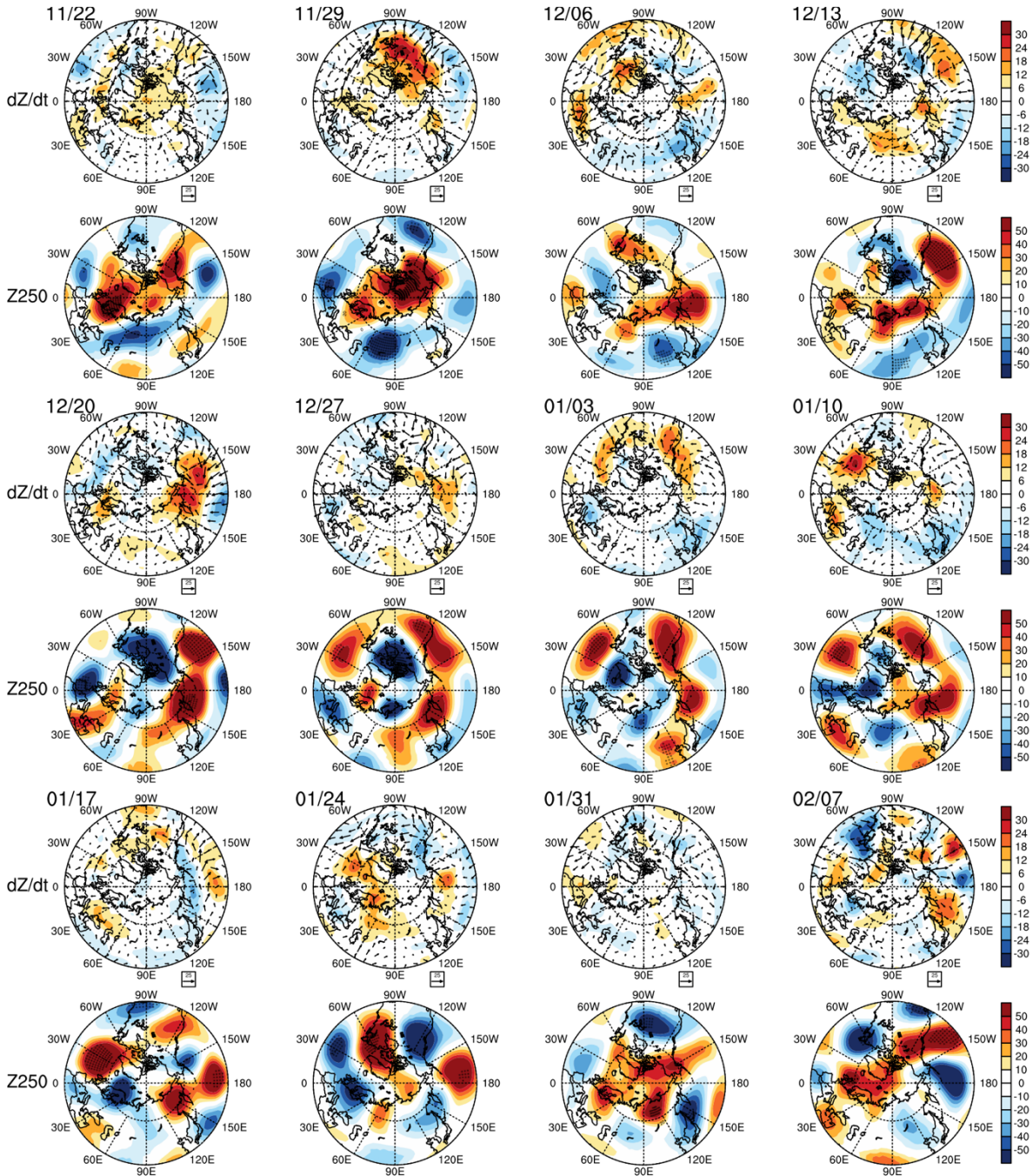


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Figure S6. Comparison of geopotential height tendencies (unit: m/day) in the extreme members of WACCM SESN3 driven by (a) transient eddy vorticity forcing (Z_t^V) in the upper troposphere at 250 hPa; (b) transient eddy heat forcing (Z_t^H) at 250 hPa; (c) transient eddy vorticity forcing (Z_t^V) in the lower troposphere at 850 hPa; (d) transient eddy heat forcing (Z_t^H) at 850 hPa. The black dots denote the 0.05 significance level.



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 98 **Figure S7. Historical distribution and future projections (under the SSP5-8.5 scenario) of**
 99 **regional air stagnation in winter (DJF) in NCEP reanalysis and CMIP6 models. (a) CDFs**
 100 **of historical ECP_PPI during the P1 period (1951-2000); (b) comparison of ECP_PPI CDFs**
 101 **between historical (solid lines) and near-term projections (dashed lines) during the P2**
 102 **period (2001-2050). The NCEP ECP_PPI data in P2 are from 2001 to 2019; (c) comparison**
 103 **of ECP_PPI CDFs between historical (solid lines) and long-term projections (dashed lines)**
 104 **during the P3 period (2051-2100). In (a)-(c), the numbers and percentages after each legend**
 105 **name denote ensemble mean values and probabilities of positive extreme values in P1-P3,**
 106 **respectively.**



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Figure S8. Weekly evolution of E vectors (unit: m^2/s^2), geopotential height tendencies (unit: m/day), and height anomalies (unit: m) at 250 hPa in SENSr2 ensemble mean. The dates on top left corners denote the first days of each week. The black dots in anomalous Z250 fields denote the 0.05 significance level.

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