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2 **Measurement report: *Characterization of severe spring haze***  
3 ***episodes and influences of long-range transport in the Seoul***  
4 ***metropolitan area in March 2019***

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30 **Table S1.** Average ( $\pm 1$  standard deviation), minimum and maximum concentrations of the  
31 particulate matter (PM<sub>1</sub>) species and the total PM<sub>1</sub> mass over the whole campaign, and the  
32 average contribution of each of the PM<sub>1</sub> species to the total PM<sub>1</sub> mass.

	Average conc. $\pm$ one standard deviation ( $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ )	Minimum conc. ( $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ )	Maximum conc. ( $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ )	Fraction of total PM <sub>1</sub> (%)	Detection limit (3min/ 6min) ( $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ )
Organics	13.3 $\pm$ 7.51	1.29	45.0	38	0.03/0.02
Nitrate	10.6 $\pm$ 9.68	0.21	52.0	30	0.01/0.01
Sulfate	4.20 $\pm$ 3.49	0.60	20.0	12	0.01/0.01
Ammonium	4.70 $\pm$ 3.99	0.28	21.2	13	0.02/0.01
Chloride	0.60 $\pm$ 0.54	0	4.03	2	0.00/0.00
Black carbon	1.60 $\pm$ 0.93	0.05	5.55	5	0.1/0.05
Total PM <sub>1</sub>	35.1 $\pm$ 23.8	3.85	129	-	0.05/0.03

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47 **Table S2.** Comparison of the average O/C, H/C, and OM/OC ratios of total OA and the four OA  
 48 factors identified from PMF analysis calculated using the Aiken-Ambient method (Aiken et al.,  
 49 2008) and the improved Canagaratna-Ambient method (Canagaratna et al., 2015).

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Species	Ratio	Aiken-Ambient	Canagaratna-Ambient
OA	O/C	0.41	0.52
	H/C	1.45	1.61
	OM/OC	1.70	1.86
HOA	O/C	0.08	0.10
	H/C	1.97	1.88
	OM/OC	1.29	1.33
COA	O/C	0.10	0.12
	H/C	1.74	1.88
	OM/OC	1.29	1.33
SFOA	O/C	0.41	0.53
	H/C	1.41	1.55
	OM/OC	1.71	1.87
LO-OOA1	O/C	0.47	0.59
	H/C	1.45	1.61
	OM/OC	1.76	1.93
LO-OOA2	O/C	0.50	0.65
	H/C	1.45	1.62
	OM/OC	1.81	2.02
MO-OOA1	O/C	0.99	0.99
	H/C	1.56	1.56
	OM/OC	2.46	2.46
MO-OOA2	O/C	0.93	1.11
	H/C	1.20	1.32
	OM/OC	2.44	2.69

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57 **Table S3.** Expected(deLaeter et al., 2003) and calculated lead isotopic ratios from linear fits  
58 (Figs. Sx and x); slope (m) and Pearsons R are shown.

	Natural Isotope Ratio	Open signal				Closed signal			
		V-mode		W-mode		V-mode		W-mode	
		m	R	m	R	m	R	m	R
$^{206}\text{Pb}^+/^{208}\text{Pb}^+$	0.46	0.48	0.92	0.41	0.63	0.44	0.84	0.32	0.36
$^{207}\text{Pb}^+/^{208}\text{Pb}^+$	0.422	0.45	0.77	0.37	0.5	0.36	0.42	0.22	0.18
$^{206}\text{Pb}^{++}/^{208}\text{Pb}^{++}$	0.46	0.29	0.06	0.35	0.08	.	.	0.04	0
$^{207}\text{Pb}^{++}/^{208}\text{Pb}^{++}$	0.422	0.4	0.33	0.01	0.03	0.05	0.39	0.01	0.02

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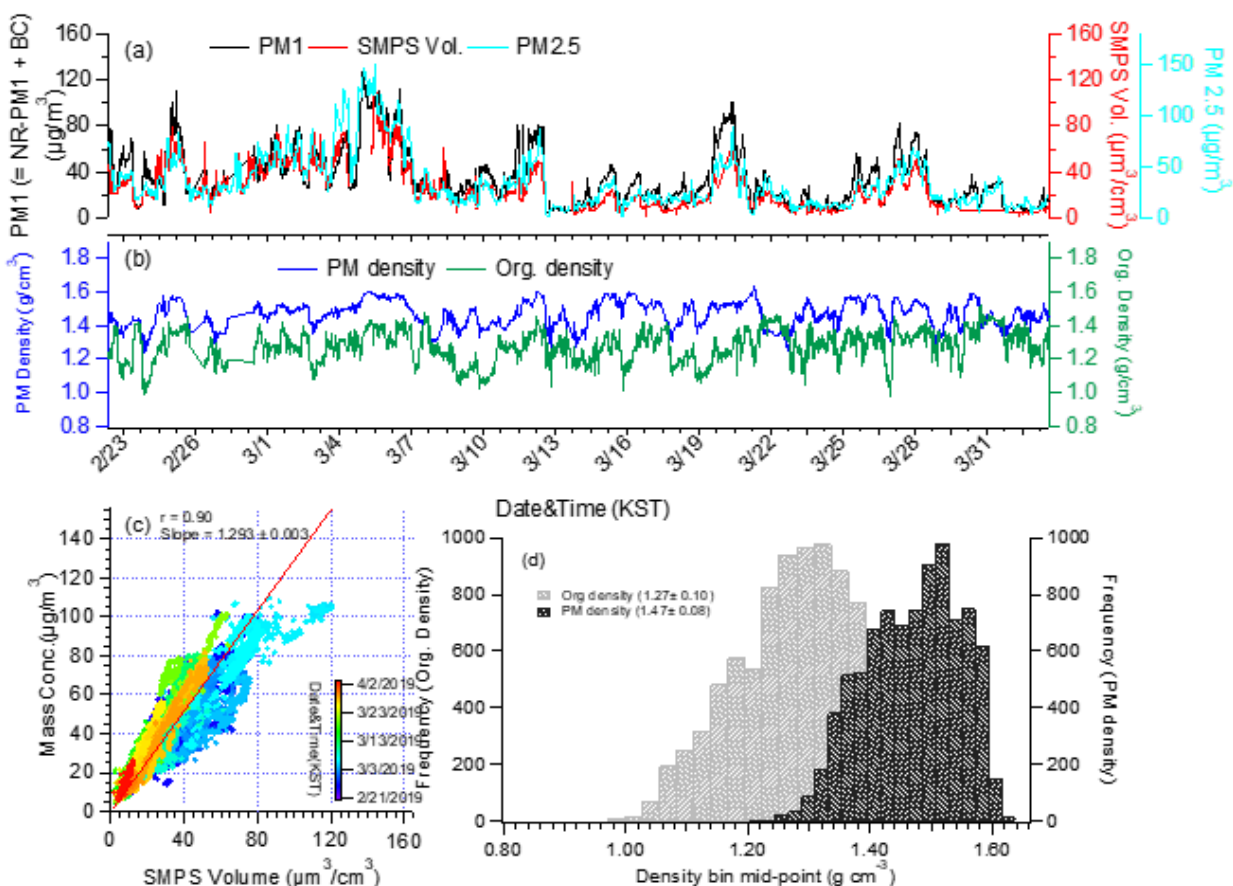
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81 **Figure S1.** (a) Time series of total particulate matter ( $\text{PM}_{10}$ ), scanning mobility particle sizer  
82 (SMPS) volume concentrations and  $\text{PM}_{2.5}$  mass concentration measured at Gireum site ; (b)  
83 Time series of the organic aerosol density estimated using the method reported in Kuwata et al.  
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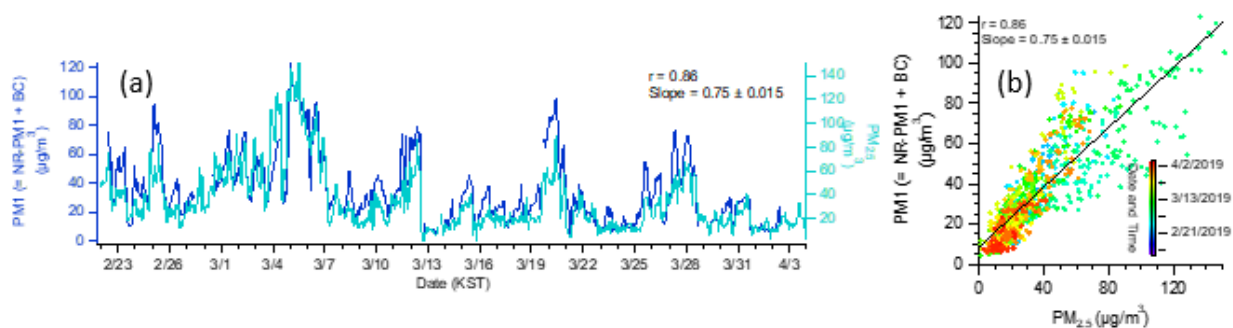
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$$\rho_{\text{org}} = [12 + 1 \cdot (\text{H}/\text{C}) + 16 \cdot (\text{O}/\text{C})] / [7 + 5 \cdot (\text{H}/\text{C}) + 4.15 \cdot (\text{O}/\text{C})]$$

86 and bulk aerosol density estimated from the measured chemical composition, known inorganic  
87 species density and the organic density estimated above (Zhang et al., 2005). (c) Scatter plot of  
88 the total  $\text{PM}_{10}$  mass (NR- $\text{PM}_{10}$  plus BC) versus SMPS volume, where the NR- $\text{PM}_{10}$  mass  
89 concentrations have been determined using the composition-dependent collection efficiencies; (d)

90 histogram of organic aerosol density (average =  $1.27 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$ ) and bulk aerosol density (average =  
91  $1.47 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$ ).

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100 **Figure S2.** (a) Time series of total particulate matter (PM1) concentration and PM2.5 mass  
101 concentration measured at Gireum site (b) Scatter plot of total PM1 mass (NR-PM1 plus BC)  
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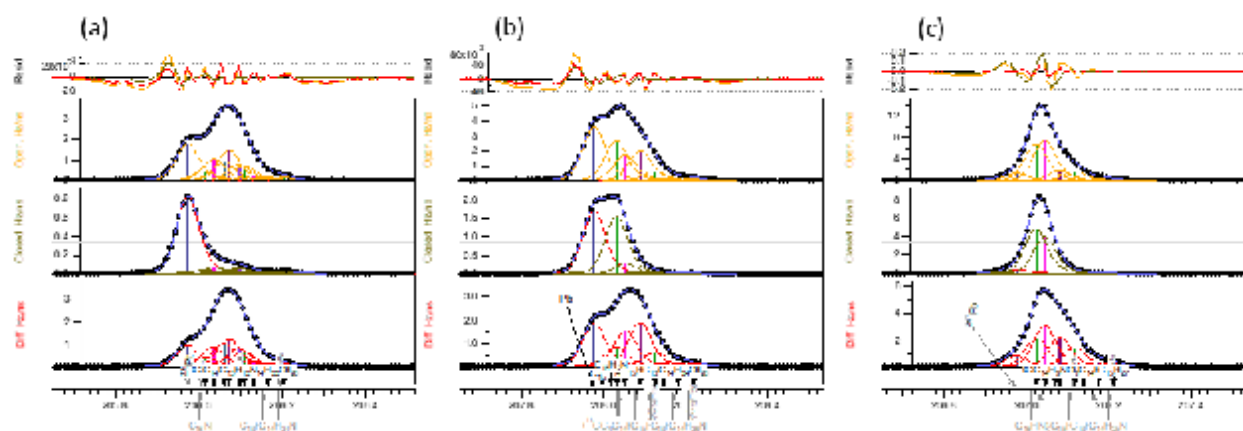
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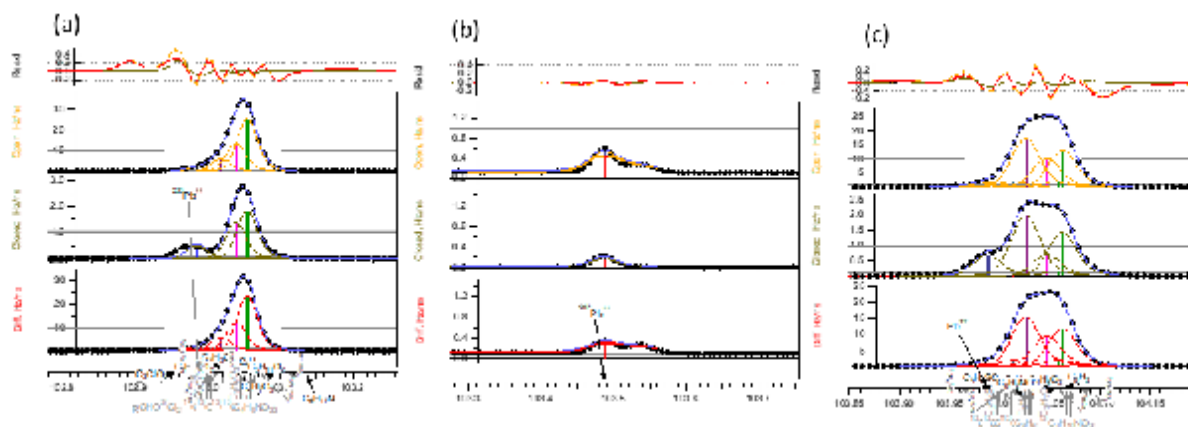
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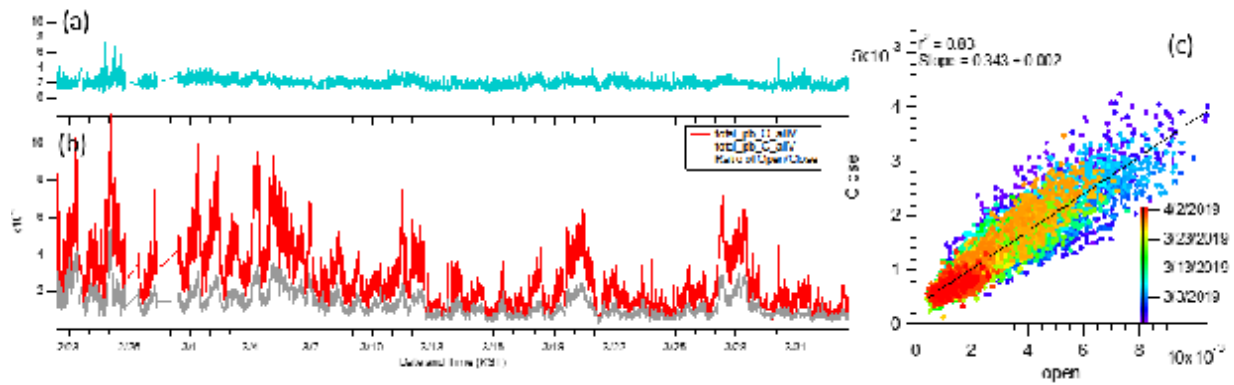
119 **Figure S3.** 2.5 minute averaged open V mode mass spectra at  $m/z$  206, 207, 208 during Haze  
120 period at KIST site. Black lines and circles correspond to the HRAMS raw signal. Yellow  
121 (open), black(closed) and red(diff) are modified Gaussian functions that represent the signal of  
122 individuals ions whose exact mass is indicated by the vertical black lines. The height of the  
123 vertical lines corresponds to the peak height of the modified Gaussian functions. Purple lines  
124 are the sum of the individual ion peaks and represent the fitted total signal at the given nominal  
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 127 Figure S3. 2.5 minute averaged open V mode mass spectra at m/z 103, 103.5 and 104 during  
 128 Haze period at KIST site. Black lines and circles correspond to the HRAMS raw signal.  
 129 Yellow (open), black(closed) and red(diff) are modified Gaussian functions that represent the  
 130 signal of individuals ions whose exact mass is indicated by the vertical black lines. The height  
 131 of the vertical lines corresponds to the peak height of the modified Gaussian functions. Purple  
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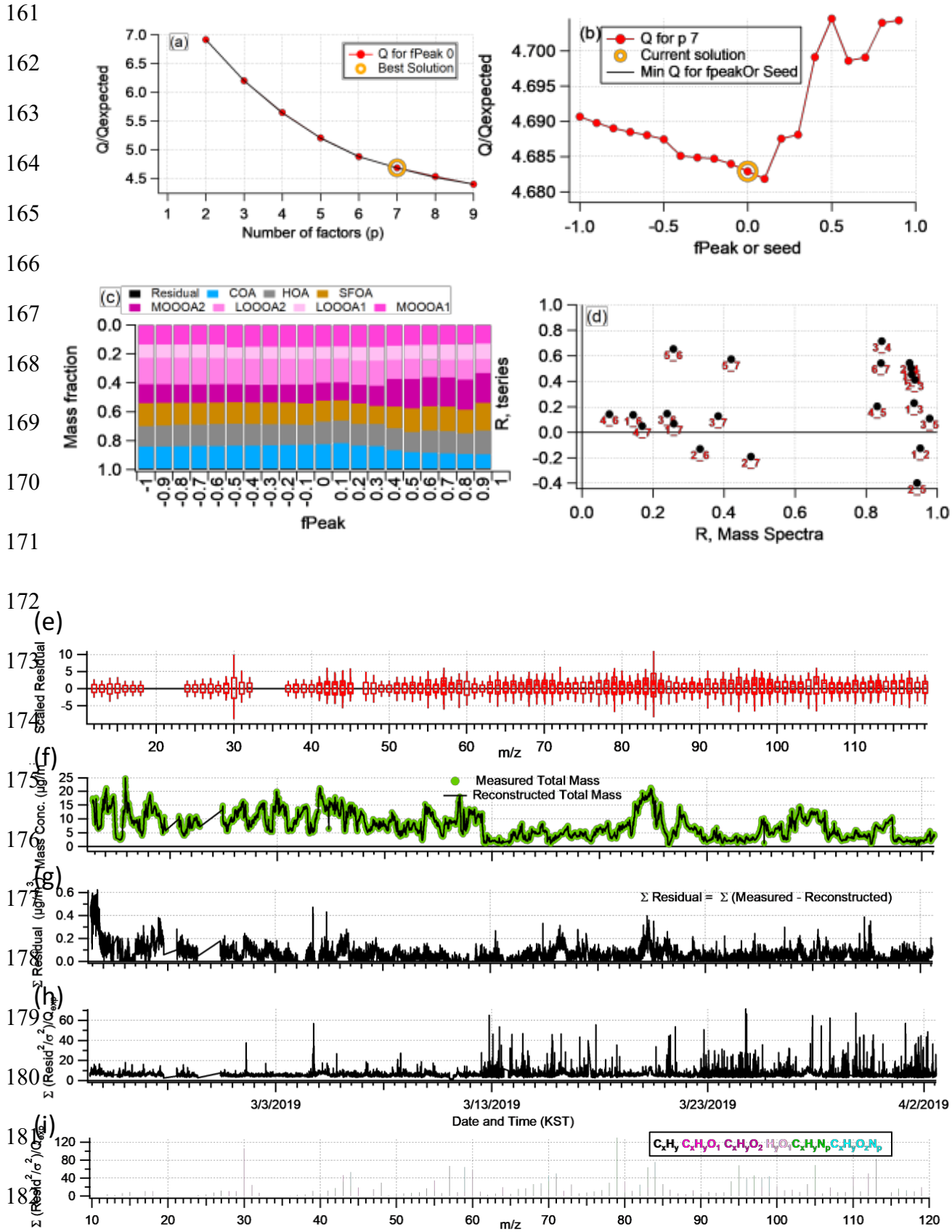
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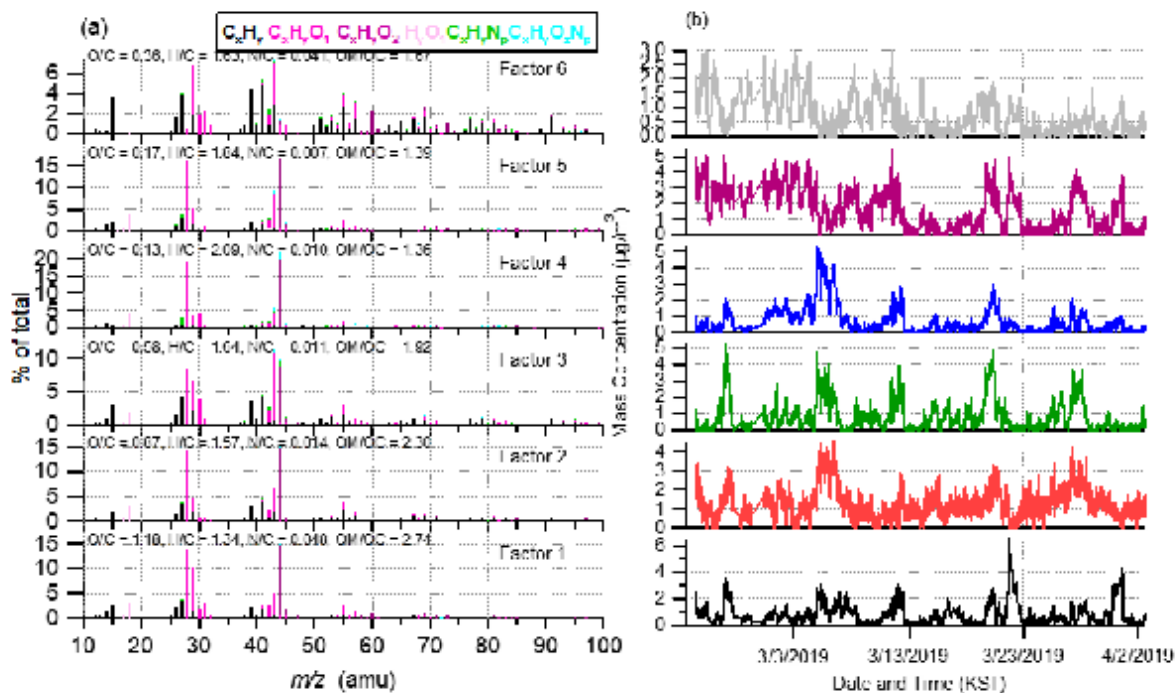
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**Figure S5. (a,b)** Time series of total open (red), closed (black) signal of lead from Vmode and the ratio between open and close (terquid) total signal of lead from V mode; and (c) Scatter plot of total open and close signal of lead from Vmode data. Note that total open and close signals were calculated as the sum of the  $^{208}\text{Pb}^+$ ,  $^{207}\text{Pb}^+$ ,  $^{206}\text{Pb}^+$ ,  $^{208}\text{Pb}^{++}$ ,  $^{207}\text{Pb}^{++}$  and  $^{206}\text{Pb}^{++}$ .

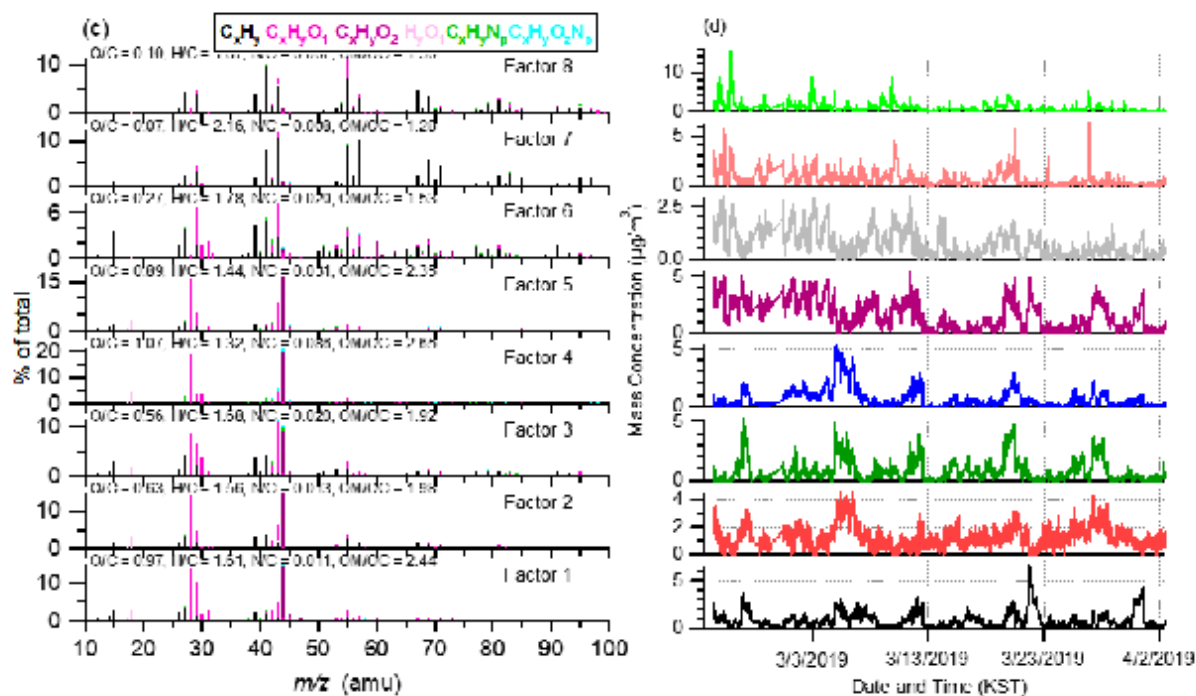


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184 **Figure S6.** Summary of the key diagnostic plots of the chosen 7-factor from PMF analysis of the  
185 organic aerosol fraction: **(a)**  $Q/Q_{exp}$  as a function of the number of factors ( $p$ ) explored in PMF  
186 analysis, with the best solution denoted by the open orange circle. Plots **b-i** are for the chosen  
187 solution set, containing 7 factors: **(b)**  $Q/Q_{exp}$  as a function of fPeak; **(c)** mass fractional  
188 contribution to the total mass of each of the PMF factors, including the residual (in purple), as a  
189 function of fPeak; **(d)** Pearson's  $r$  correlation coefficient values for correlations among the time  
190 series and mass spectra of the PMF factors. Here, 1 = MO-OOA1, 2 = LO-OOA1, 3 = LO-OOA2,  
191 4 = MO-OOA2, 5 = SFOA, 6 = HOA, 7 = COA; **(e)** box and whiskers plot showing the  
192 distributions of scaled residuals for each  $m/z$ ; **(f)** time series of the measured mass and the  
193 reconstructed mass from the sum of the 6 factors; **(g)** time series of the variations in the residual  
194 (= measured – reconstructed) of the fit; **(h)** the  $Q/Q_{exp}$  for each point in time; **(i)** the  $Q/Q_{exp}$   
195 values for each fragment ion.



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200 **Figure S7.** Overview of two other solution (6 factor and 8 factor solution) sets from PMF  
201 analysis: **(a)(b)** High resolution mass spectra and time series of the different OA factors from the  
202 6-factor solution; **(c)(d)** High resolution mass spectra and time series of the different OA factors  
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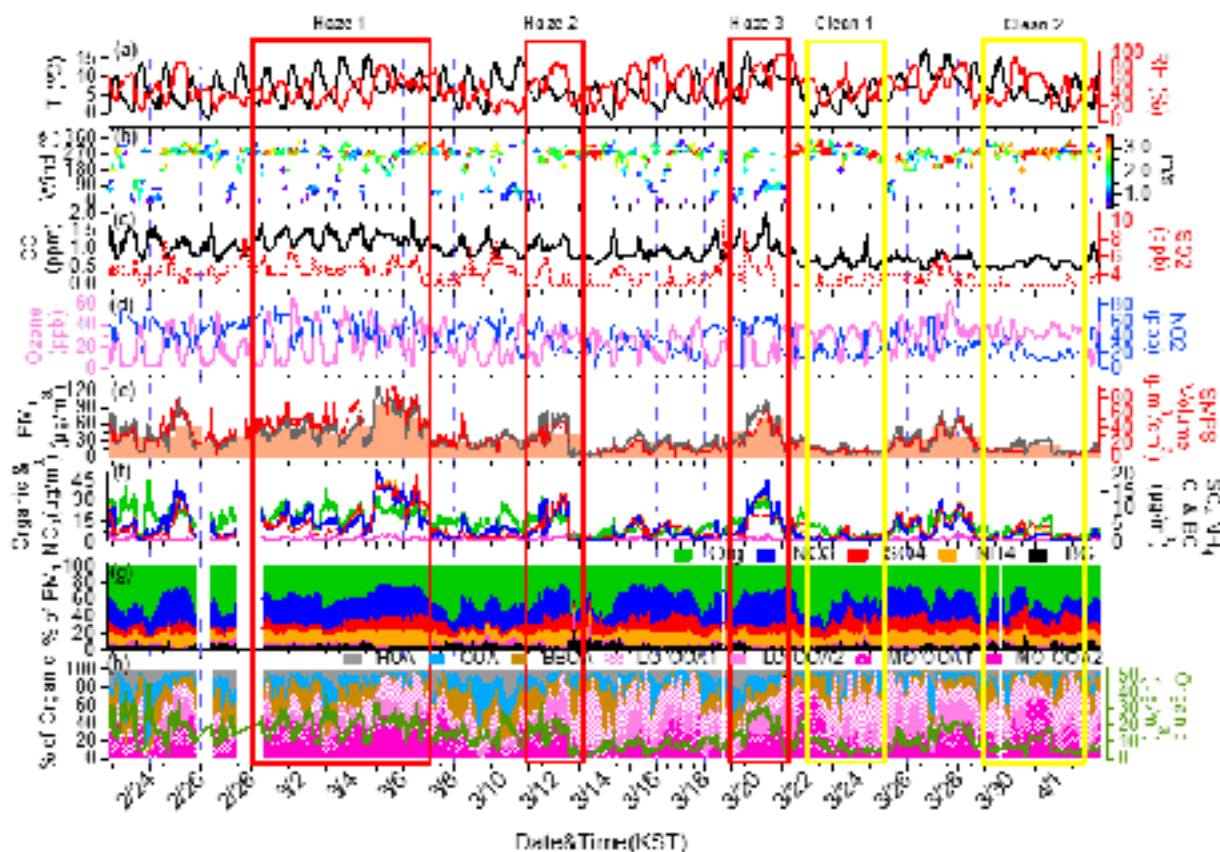
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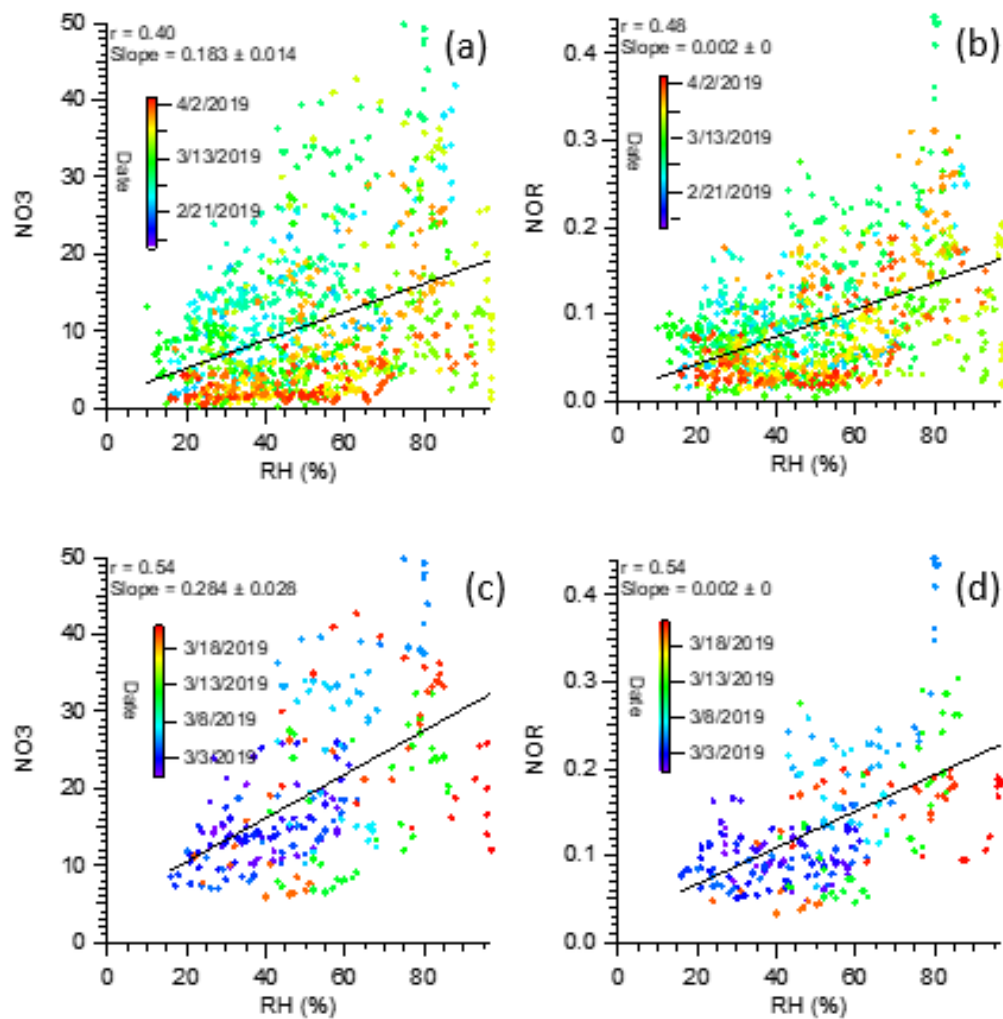
216 **Figure S8.** Overview of the temporal variations of submicron aerosols at the Korea Institute of  
 217 Science and Technology (KIST) in SMA from Feb. 22 to April 2 including three haze (red box)  
 218 and two clean (yellow box) period: **(a)** Time series of ambient air temperature (T) and relative  
 219 humidity (RH); **(b)** Time series of wind direction (WD), with colors showing different wind  
 220 speeds (WS); **(c)** Time series of CO and SO<sub>2</sub>; **(d)** Time series of O<sub>3</sub>, and NO<sub>2</sub>; **(e)** Time series of  
 221 total particulate matter (PM<sub>1</sub>), scanning mobility particle sizer (SMPS) volume concentrations  
 222 and also shown are the 24 h averaged PM<sub>1</sub>+BC with bars. **(f)** Time series of the organic (Org.),  
 223 nitrate (NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>), sulfate (SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup>), ammonium (NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>) and BC aerosols; **(g)** Time series of the mass  
 224 fractional contribution of organic aerosols (Org.), nitrate (NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>), sulfate (SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup>), ammonium  
 225 (NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>), chloride (Cl<sup>-</sup>), and BC to total PM<sub>1</sub> together with isoprene and toluene time series; **(h)**  
 226 Time series of each factor derived from the positive matrix factorization (PMF) analysis

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235 **Figure S9.** Scatterplot of the variations of NOR and NO3 as a function of RH (a)(b) during  
236 entire period; (c) (d) during haze period.

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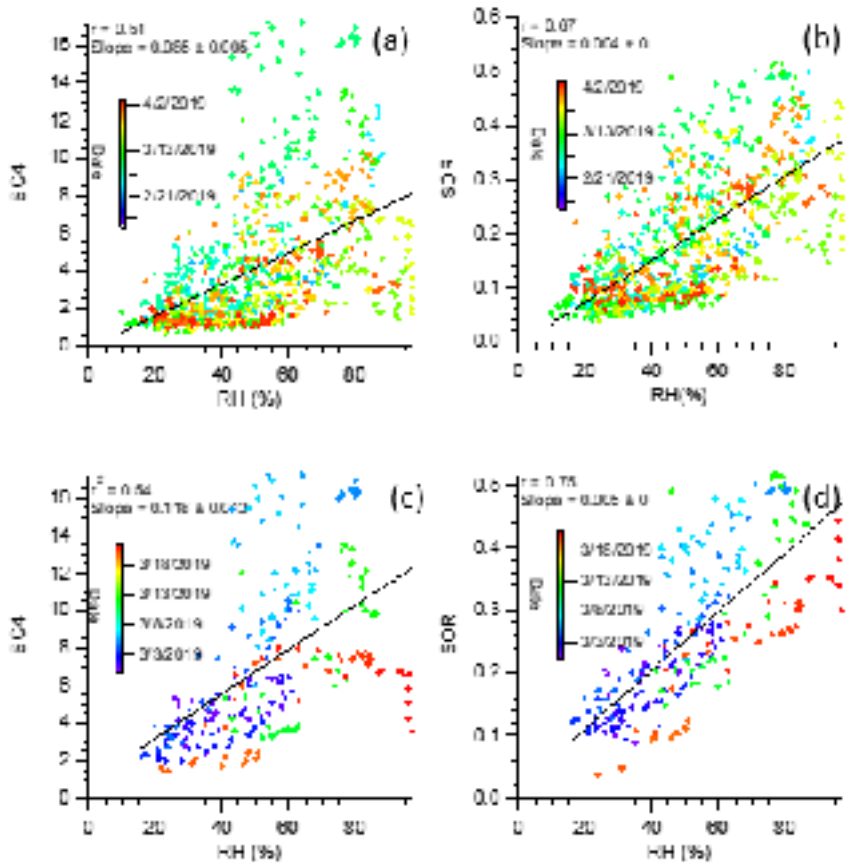
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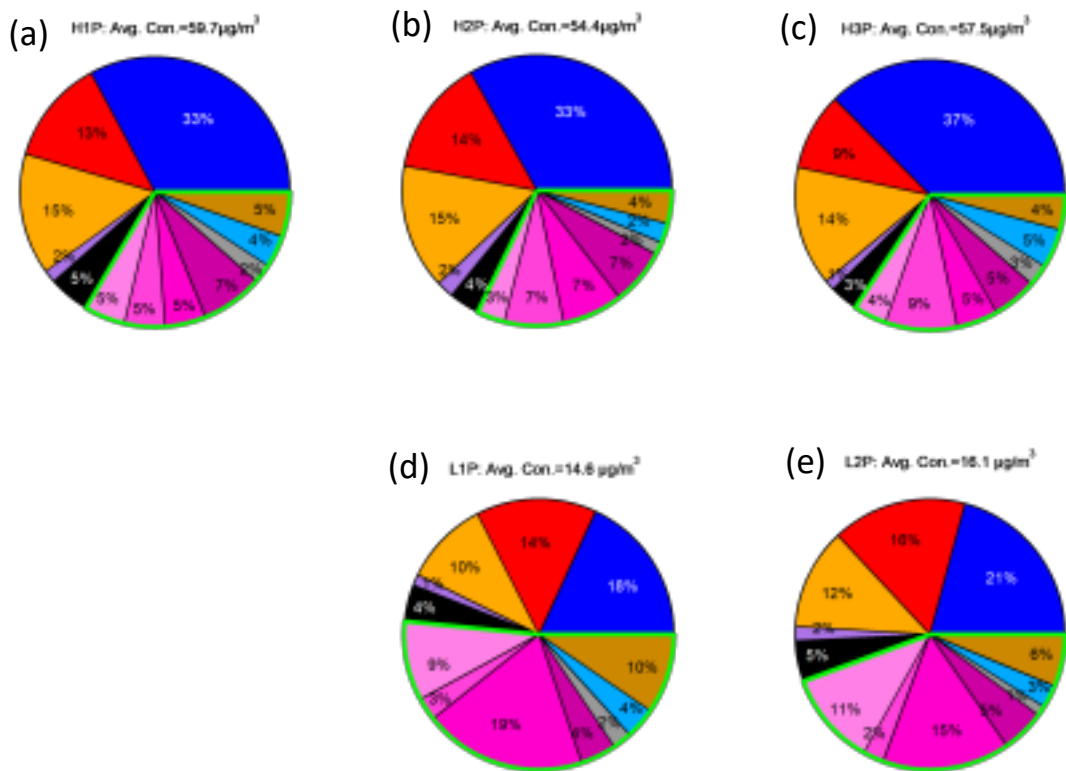
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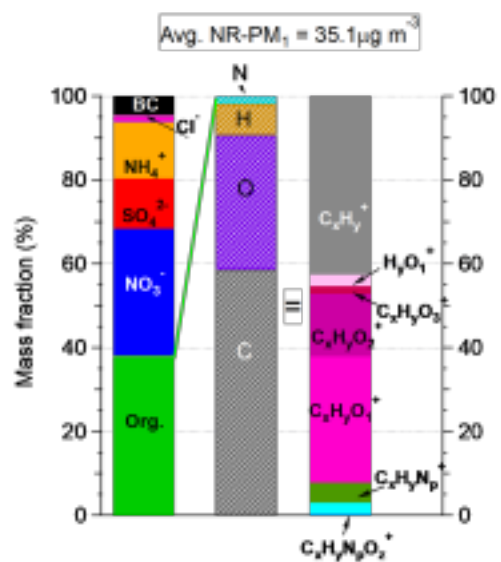
249 **Figure S10.** Scatterplot of the variations of SOR and SO<sub>4</sub> as a function of RH **(a)(b)** during  
 250 entire period; **(c) (d)** during haze period.

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**Figure S11.** Averaged compositional pie chart of PM<sub>1</sub> species (non-refractory-PM<sub>1</sub> plus black carbon (BC)) in **(a-c)** three haze episodes and **(d, e)** two clean periods.

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278 **Figure S12.** Overview of the OA compositions in SMA during entire study (early spring of 2019)

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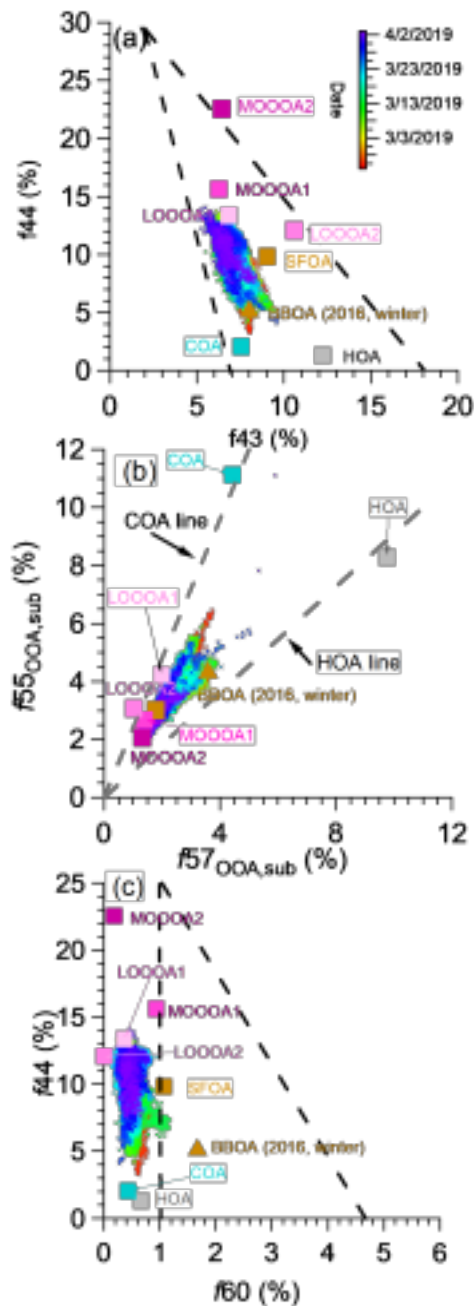
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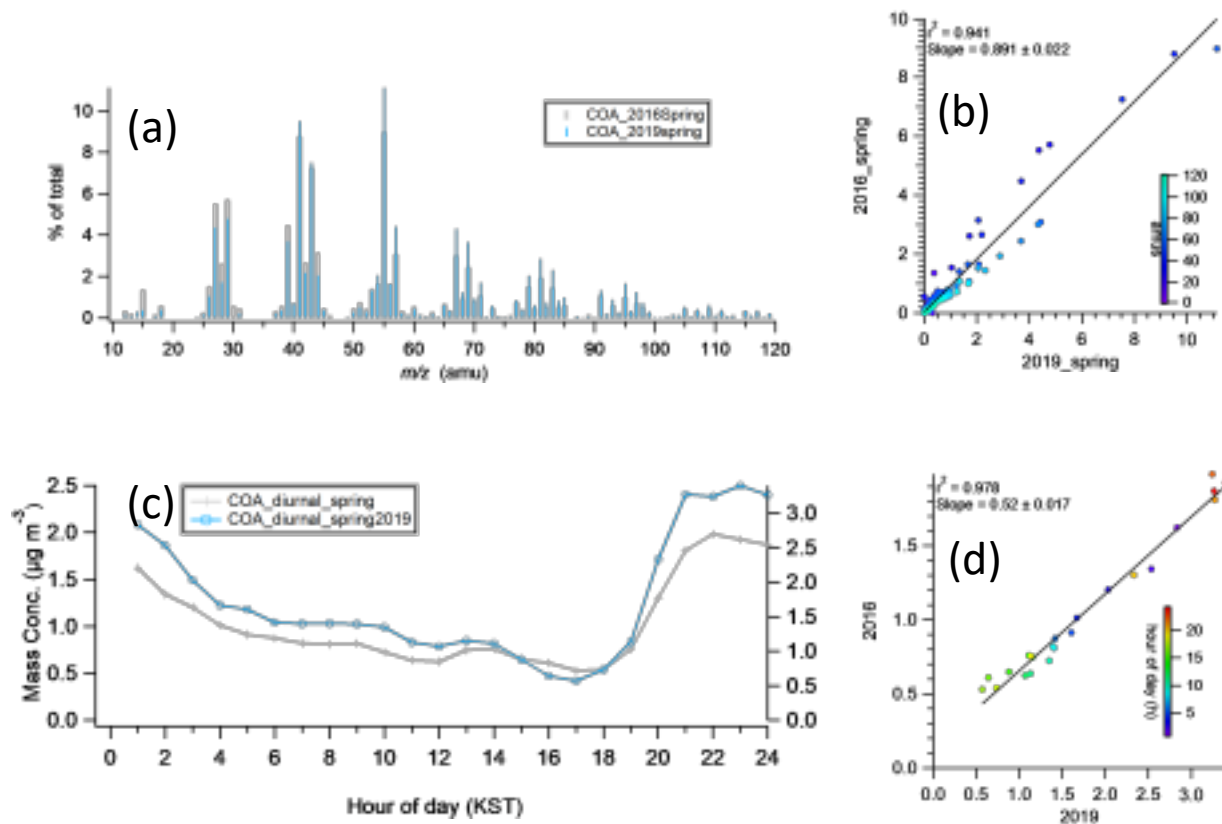
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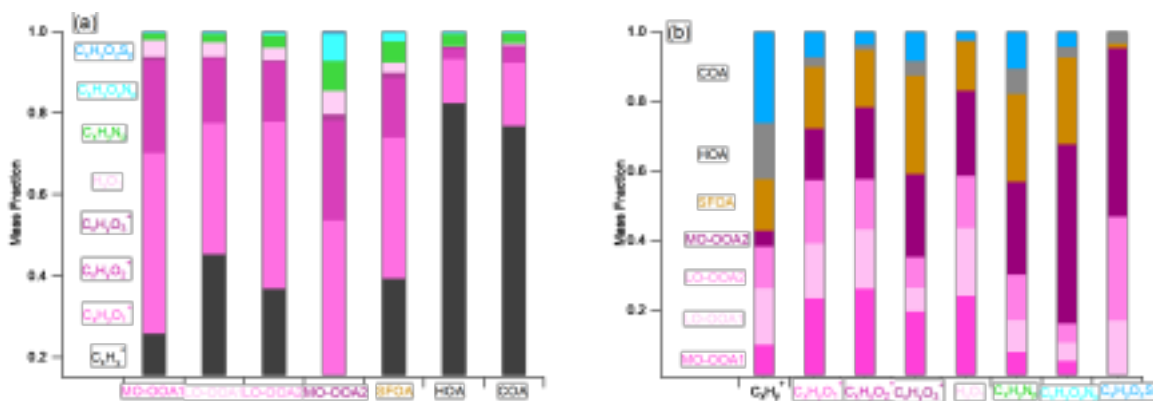
310 **Figure S13.** Triangular plots of (a)  $f_{44}$  versus  $f_{43}$  (b)  $f_{55, \text{OOA, sub}}$  versus  $f_{57, \text{OOA, sub}}$  and (c)  $f_{44}$  versus  
 311  $f_{60}$  for the seven OA factors and all of the measured OA data (dots), colored by the time of the  
 312 day.  $f_{43}$ ,  $f_{44}$ , and  $f_{60}$  are the ratios of the organic signal at  $m/z = 43, 44,$  and  $60$  to the total organic  
 313 signal in the component mass spectrum, respectively.  $f_{55, \text{OOA, sub}}$  and  $f_{57, \text{OOA, sub}}$  are the ratios of  
 314 the organic signal at  $m/z 55, 57$  after subtracting the contributions from LO-OOA1, LO-OOA2,  
 315 MO-OOA1 and MO-OOA2 (e.g.,  $f_{55, \text{OOA, sub}} = m/z 55 - m/z 55_{\text{LO-OOA1}} - m/z 55_{\text{LO-OOA2}} - m/z 55_{\text{MO-OOA1}} -$   
 316  $m/z 55_{\text{MO-OOA2}}$ ;  $f_{57, \text{OOA, sub}} = m/z 57 - m/z 57_{\text{LO-OOA1}} - m/z 57_{\text{LO-OOA2}} - m/z 57_{\text{MO-OOA1}} - m/z 57_{\text{MO-OOA2}}$ ).  
 317 2016 winter BBOA is also shown with triangle for the comparison (Kim et al., 2017)

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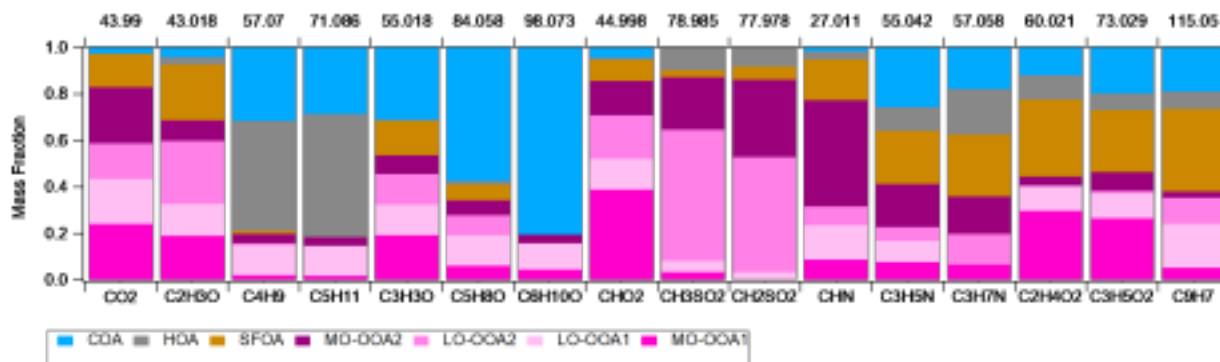


**Figure S14.** (a) mass spectra of the COAs from this study (spring) and the one from KORUS-AQ (Kim et al., 2018); (b) scatter plots of both COA mass spectra; (c) diurnal profile of the COAs from this study (spring) and the one from KORUS-AQ (Kim et al., 2018); and (d) scatter plots of both COA diurnal profile.

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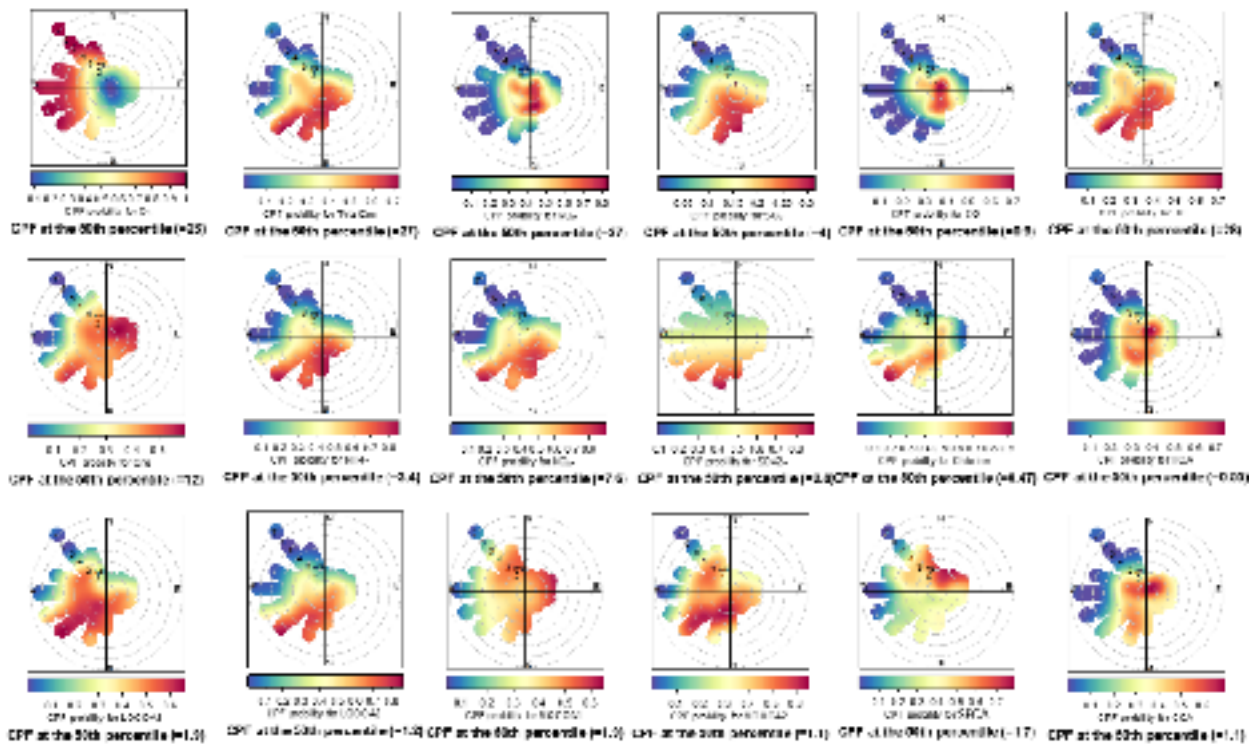


**Figure S15.** (a) Average mass fractional contributions of seven ion families to each of the OA factors and; (b) Average mass fractional contributions of seven OA factors to 8 each ion families



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**Figure S16.** Mass fractional contribution of the seven factors from PMF analysis to various ions that are relevant to each significant tracer.



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366 **Figure S17.** Conditional probability function of hourly averaged total PM<sub>1</sub> +BC, BC and mixing  
 367 ratios various gas phase species concentrations (top row), hourly averaged total PM<sub>1</sub> species  
 368 (middle row), and mass concentrations of the seven OA factors identified from PMF analysis  
 369 (bottom row) as a function of WS and direction.

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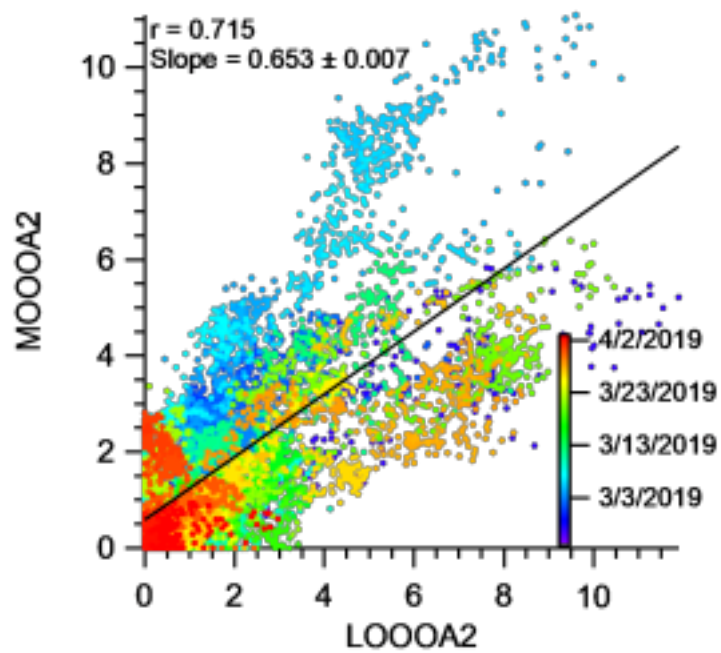
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379 **Figure S18.** Correlations between MO-OOA2 and LO-OOA2 colored with date and time.

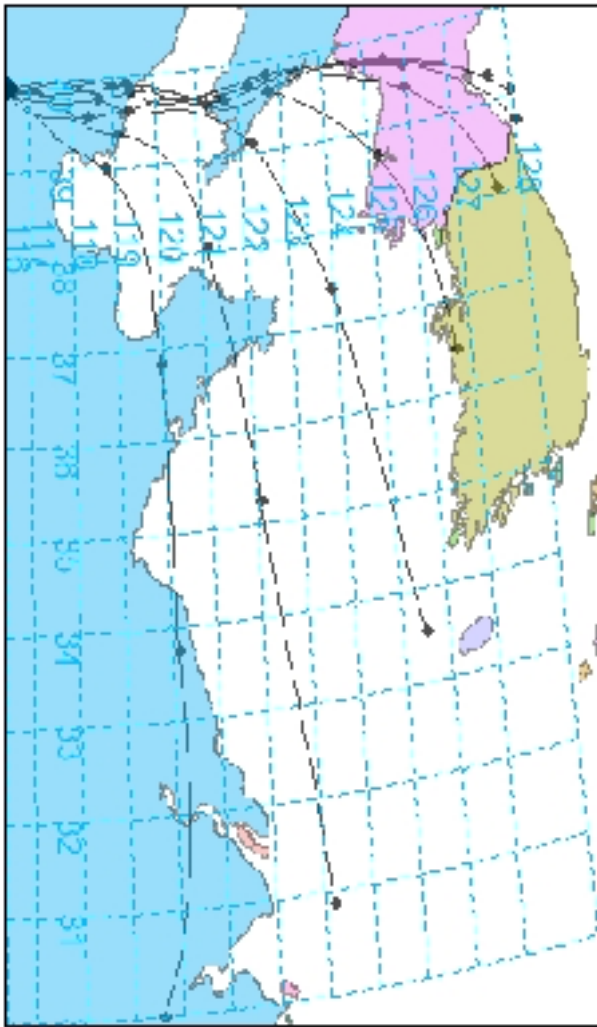
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386 **Figure S19.** Forward trajectory from Beijing measurement site

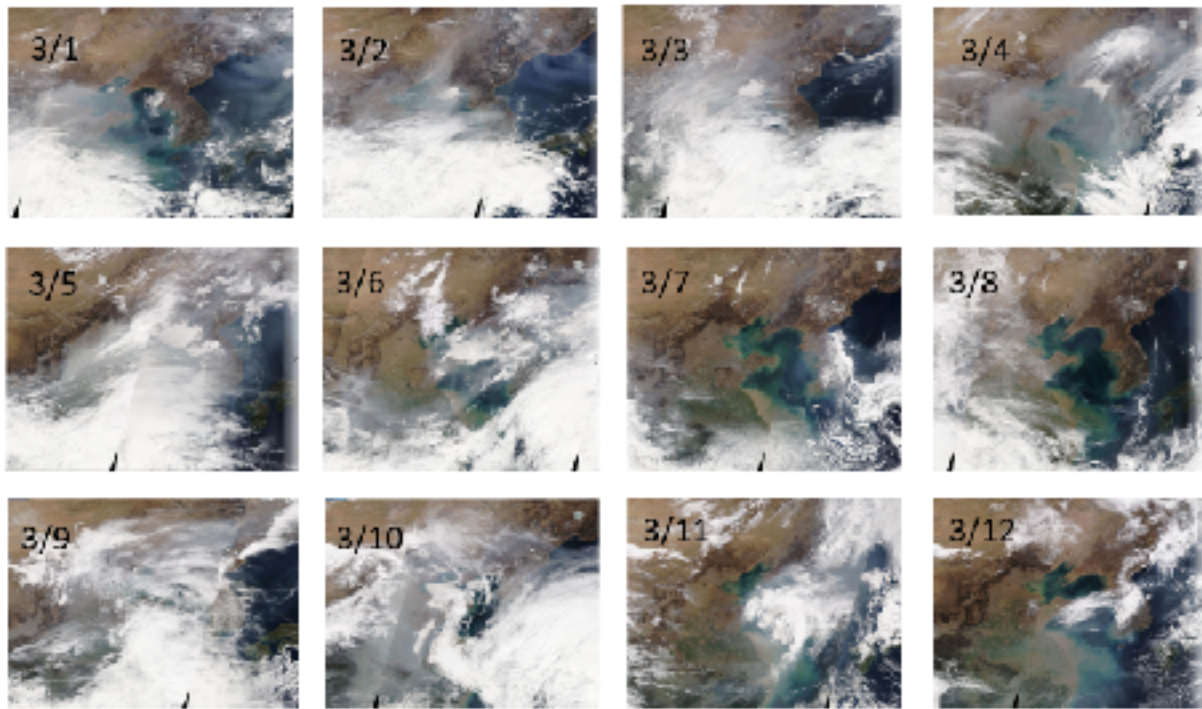
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395 **Figure S20.** Long range transportation of plums from China to Korea during Haze period. Plots  
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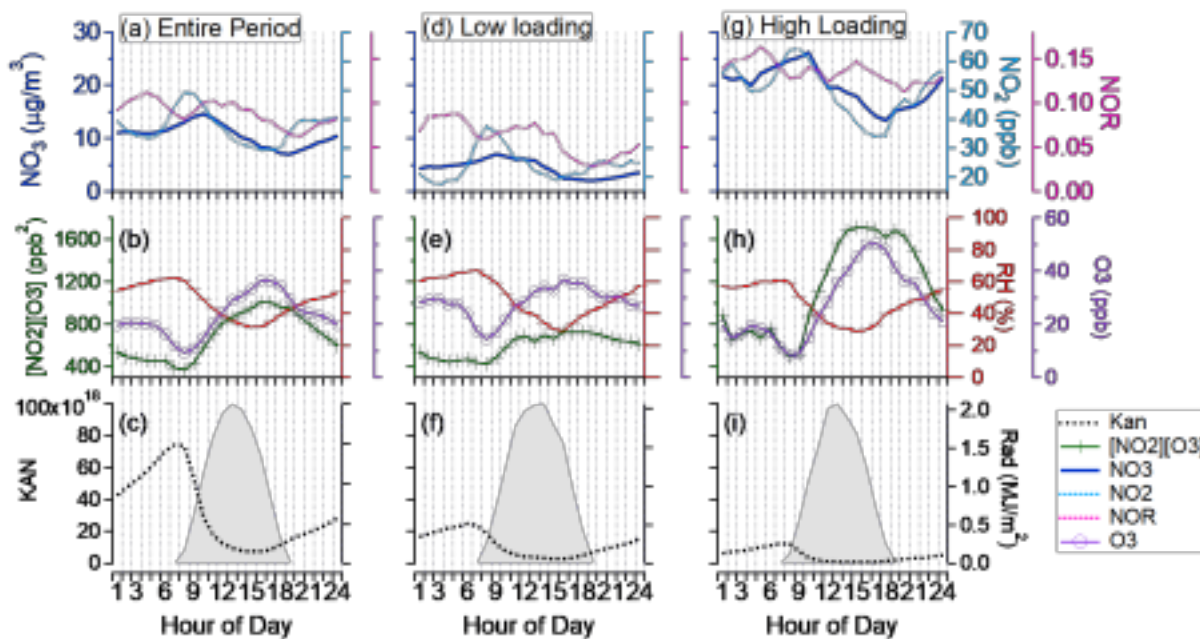
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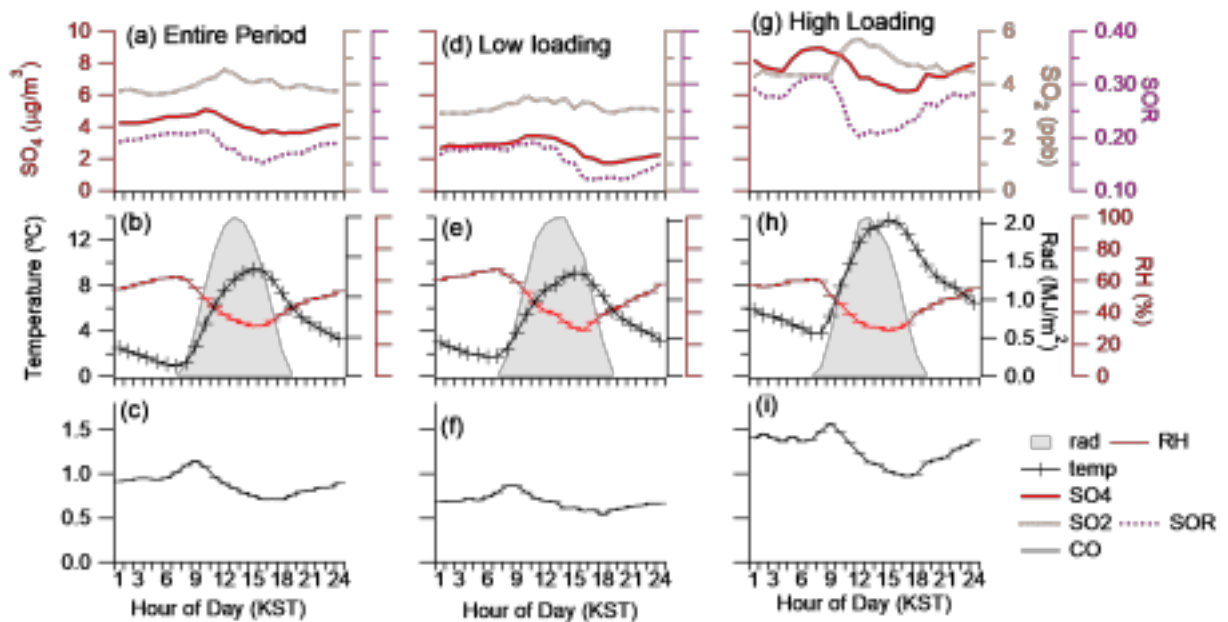
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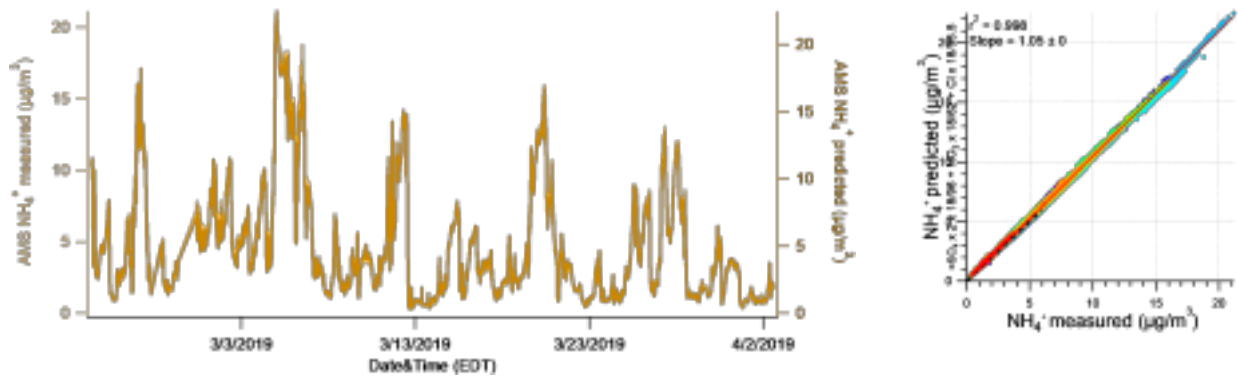
**Figure 21.** One-hour averaged diurnal profiles for nitrate and various parameters and proxies for formation pathways in entire, haze and clean period during 2019 spring; Temperature, relative humidity and KAN as the equilibrium constant for gas-to-particle partitioning for ammonium nitrate in (a-c) entire period (d-f) low loading period and (g-i) high loading period. Note that the one-hour averaged diurnal profiles of NO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>3</sub>, [NO<sub>2</sub>][O<sub>3</sub>] as a proxy for nighttime formation of HNO<sub>3</sub> and subsequently particulate nitrate, and [NO<sub>2</sub>] times solar radiation as a proxy for daytime HNO<sub>3</sub> formation are shown

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**Figure S22.** One-hour averaged diurnal profiles for nitrate and various parameters and proxies for formation pathways in entire, haze and clean period during 2019 spring; Temperature, relative humidity and solar radiation as a proxy for daytime H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> formation in (a-c) entire period (d-f) low loading period and (g-i) high loading period.

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**Figure S23.** Time series (a) and Scatterplot (b) that compares predicted  $\text{NH}_4^+$  versus measured  $\text{NH}_4^+$  concentrations. The predicted values were calculated assuming full neutralization of the anions (e.g., sulfate, nitrate, and chloride). The data points are colored by date.

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