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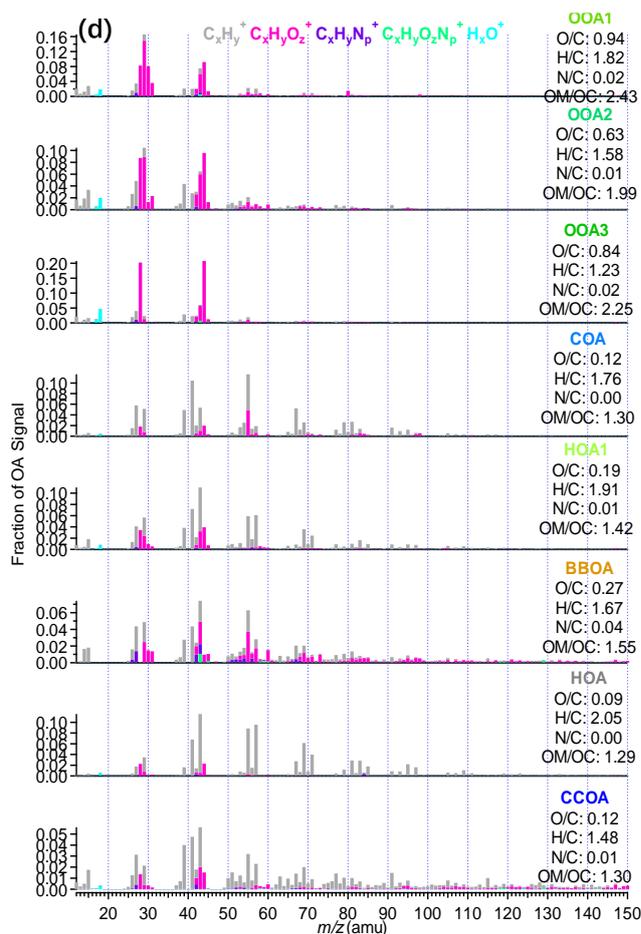
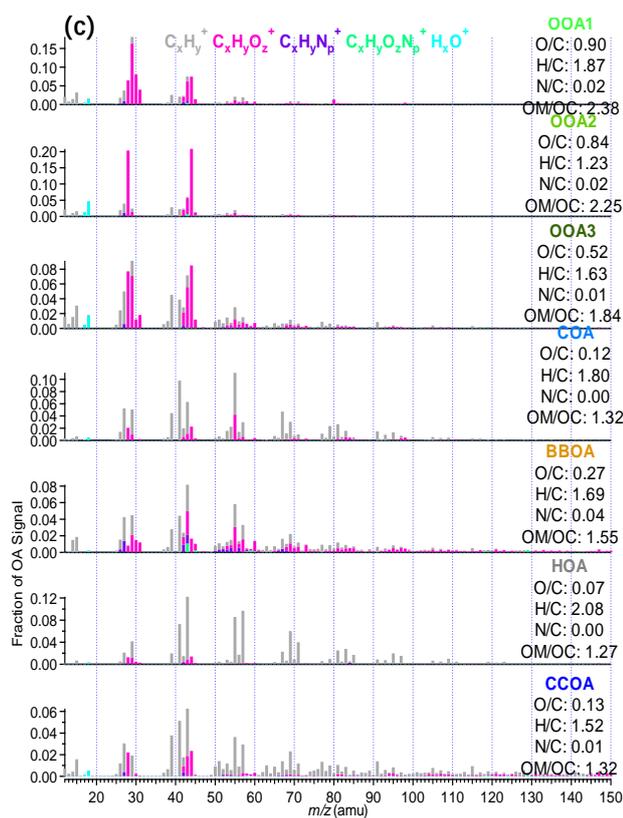
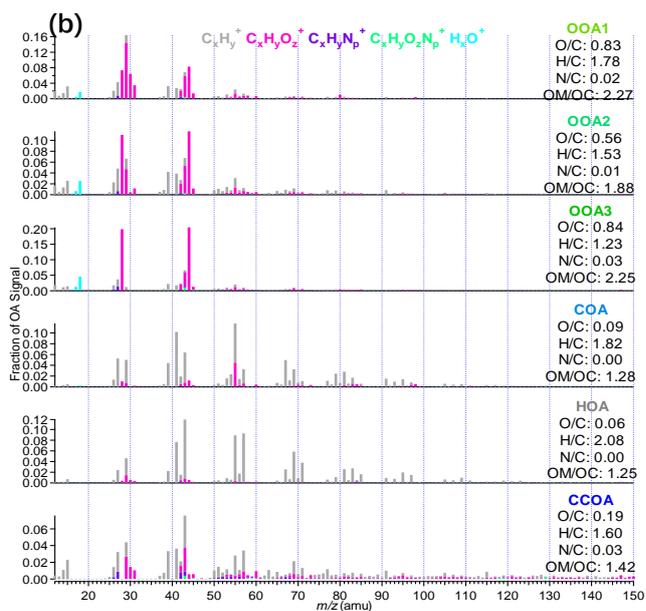
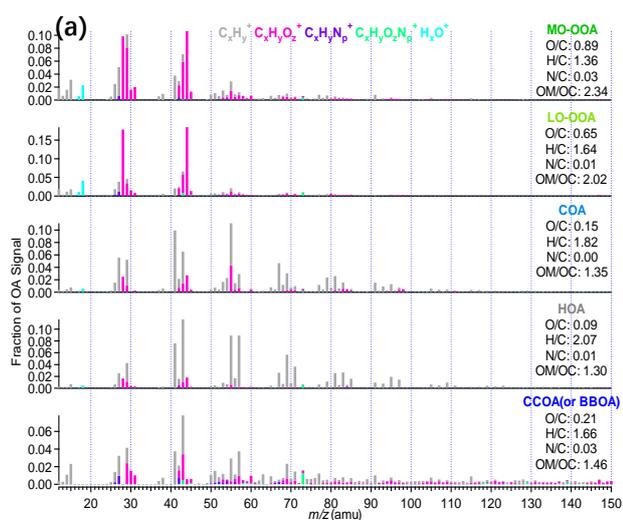
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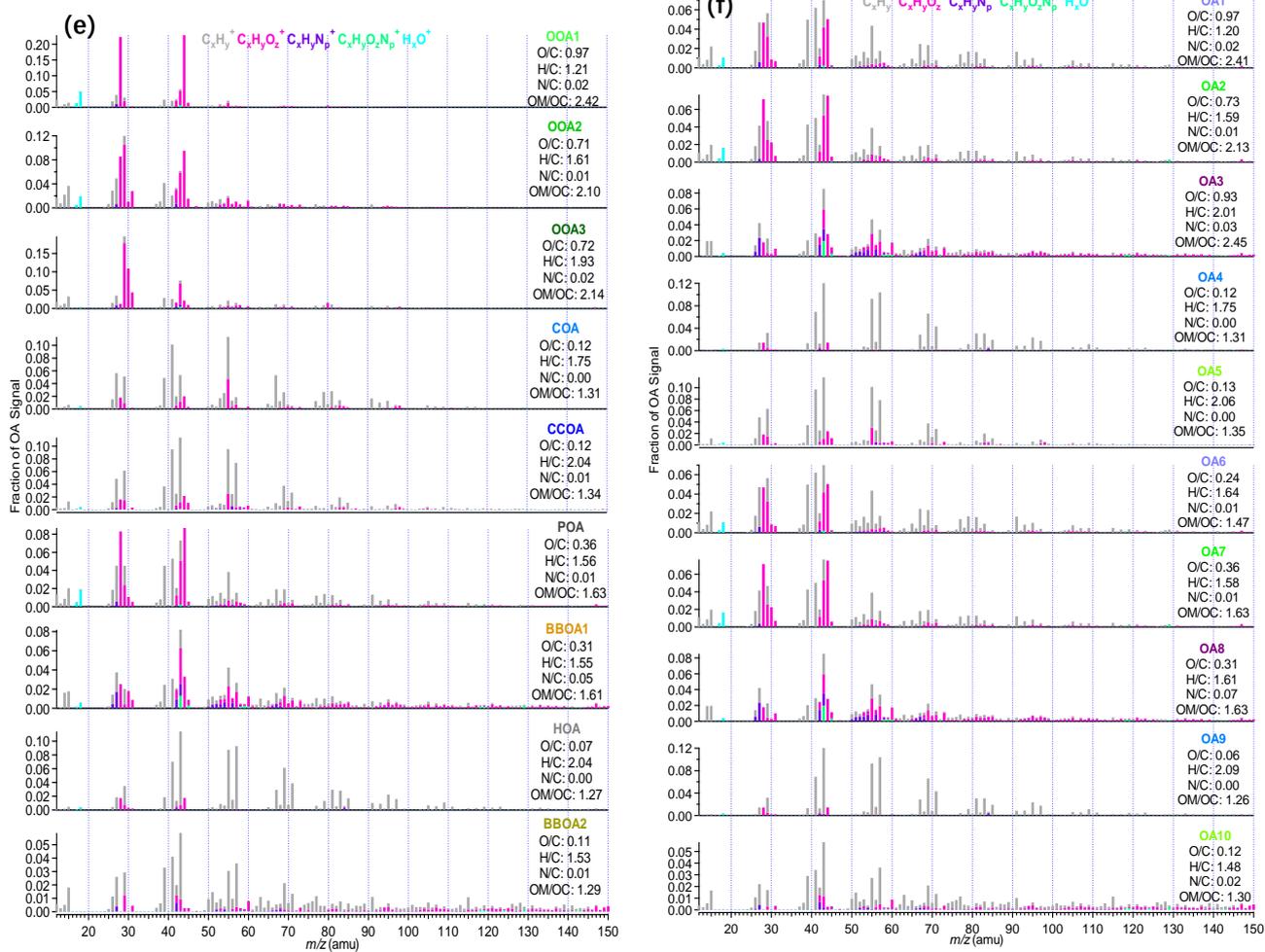
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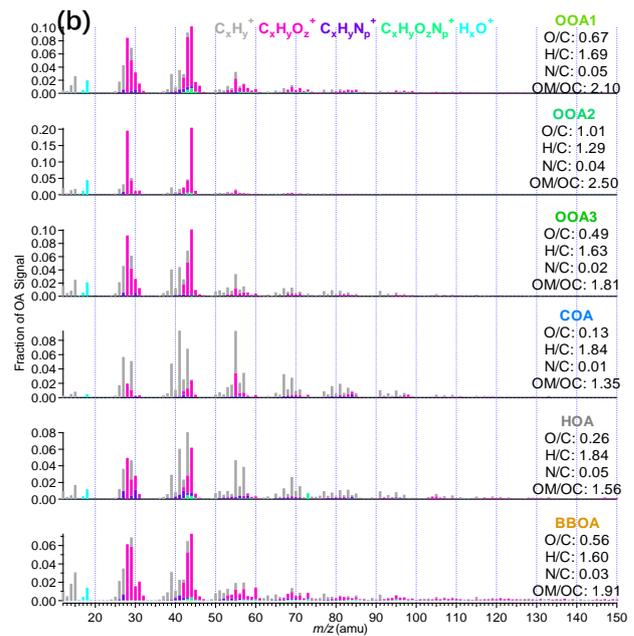
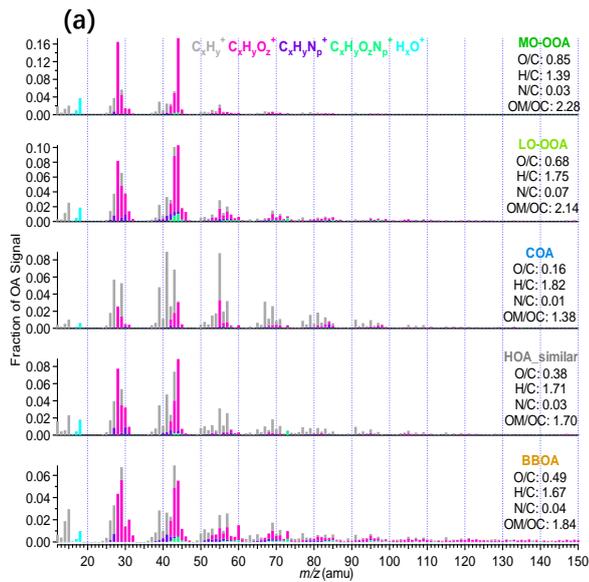
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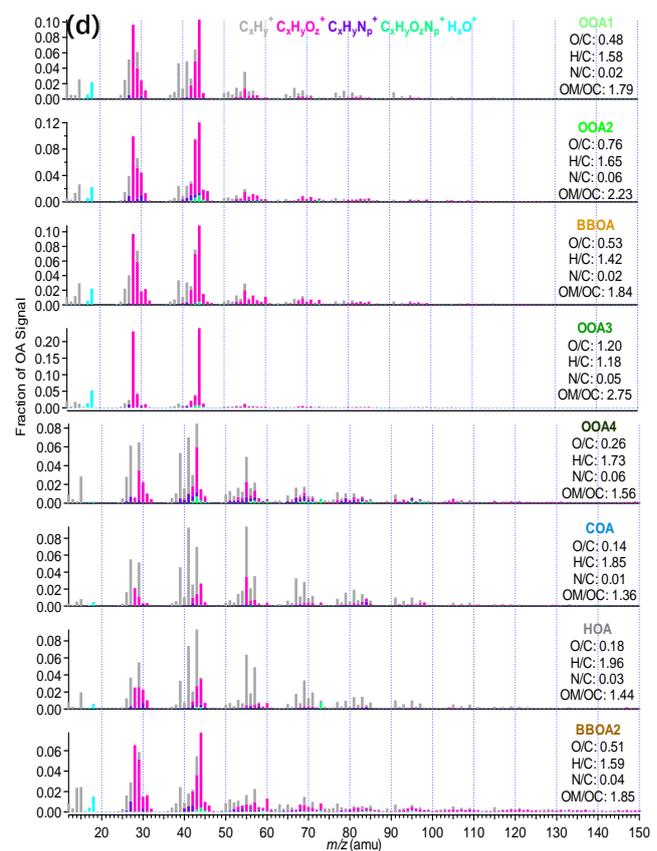
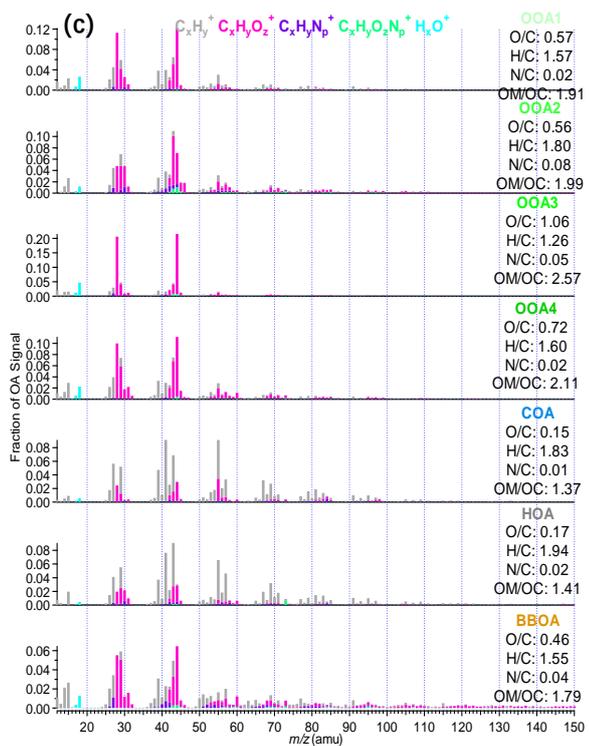
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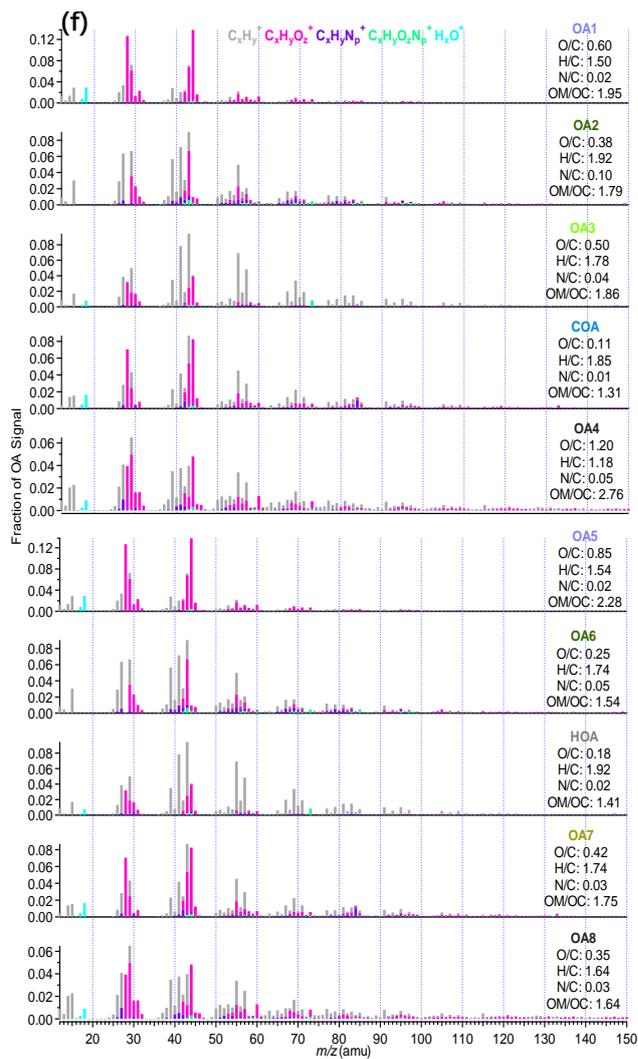
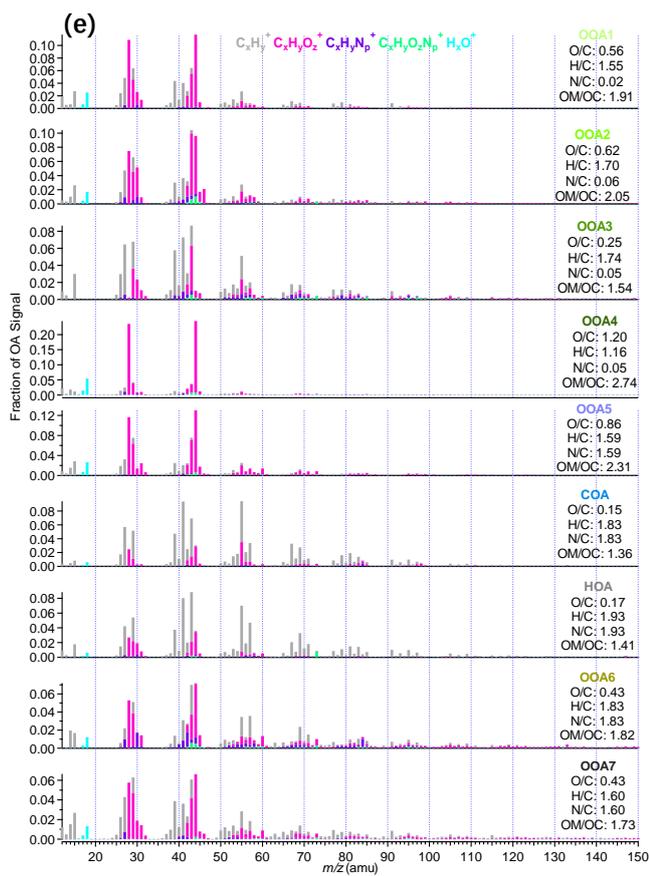
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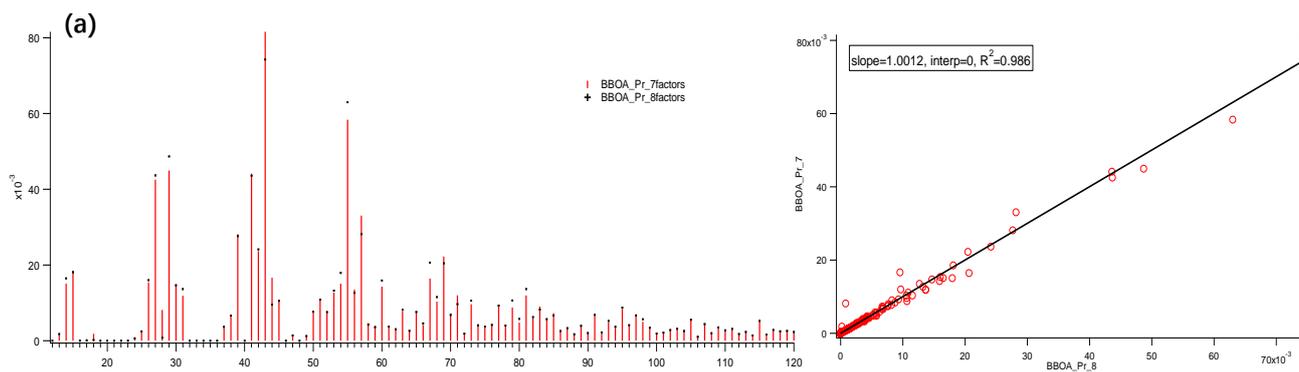
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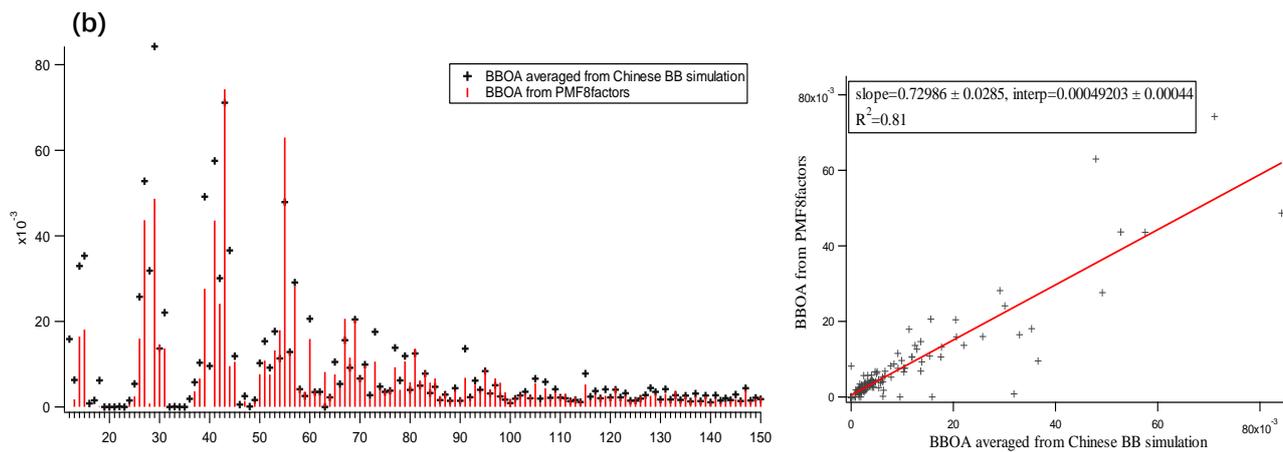
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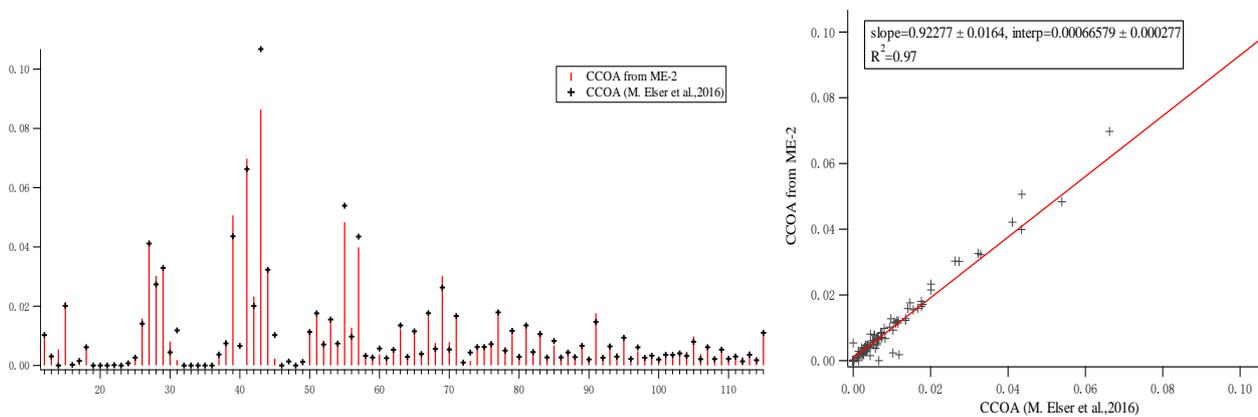


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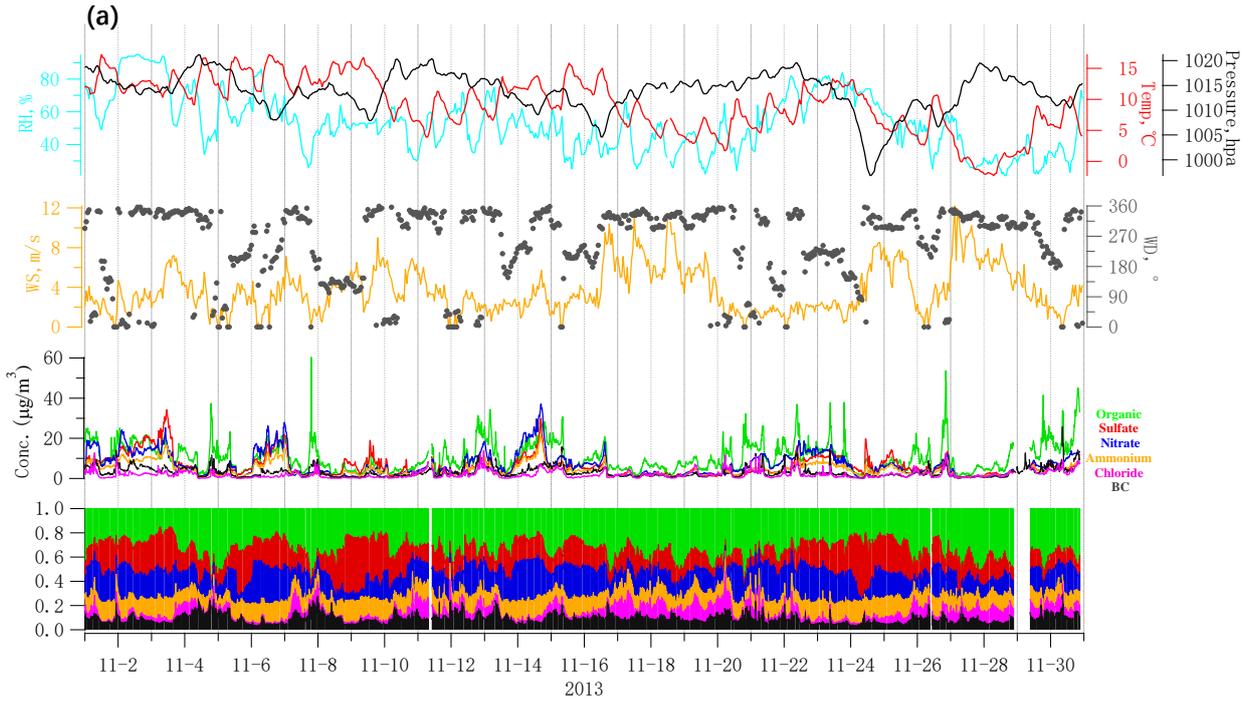
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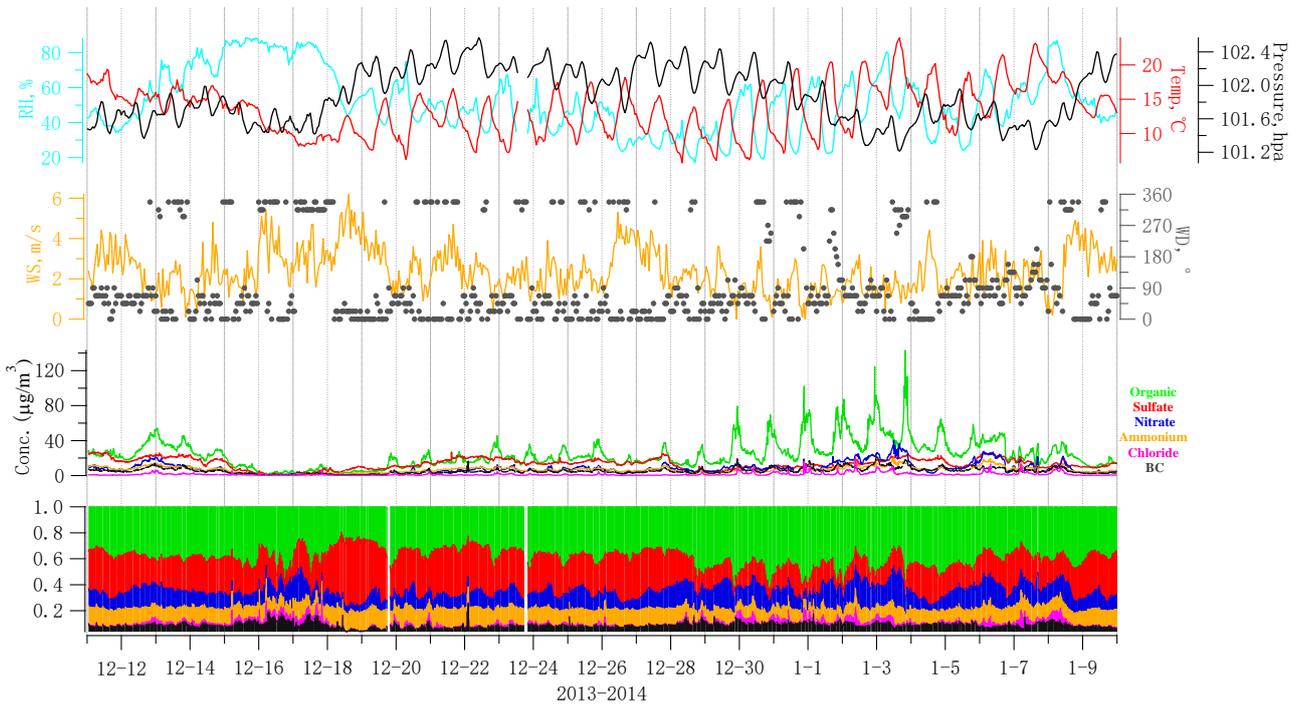
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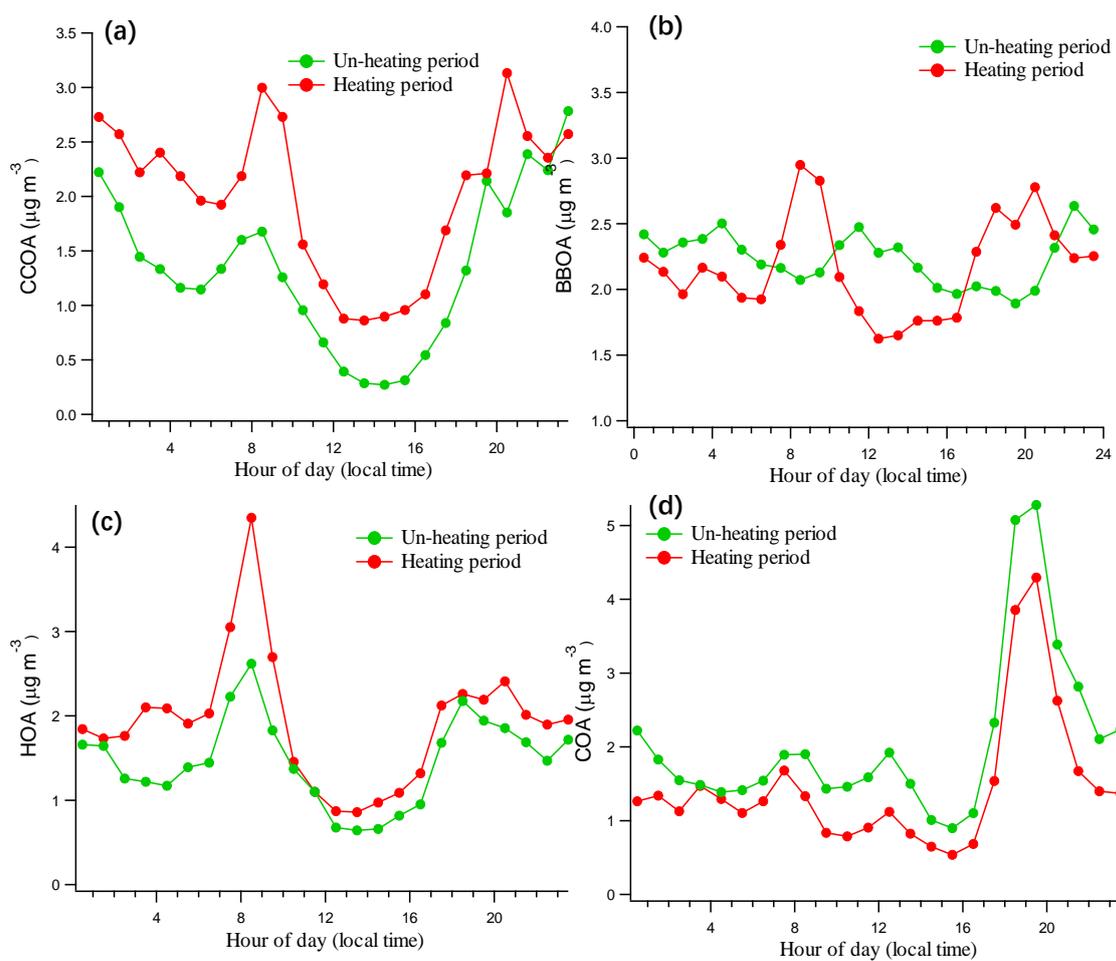
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65 **Figure S5.** Time series of meteorological parameters (relative humidity, temperature, pressure, wind speed and wind  
 66 direction), NR-PM<sub>1</sub> compounds and relative contribution of the different components in Qingdao (a) and Dongguan (b)

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**Figure S6.** Diurnal variation of the (a) CCOA; (b) BBOA; (c) HOA and (d) COA before and during the central-heating

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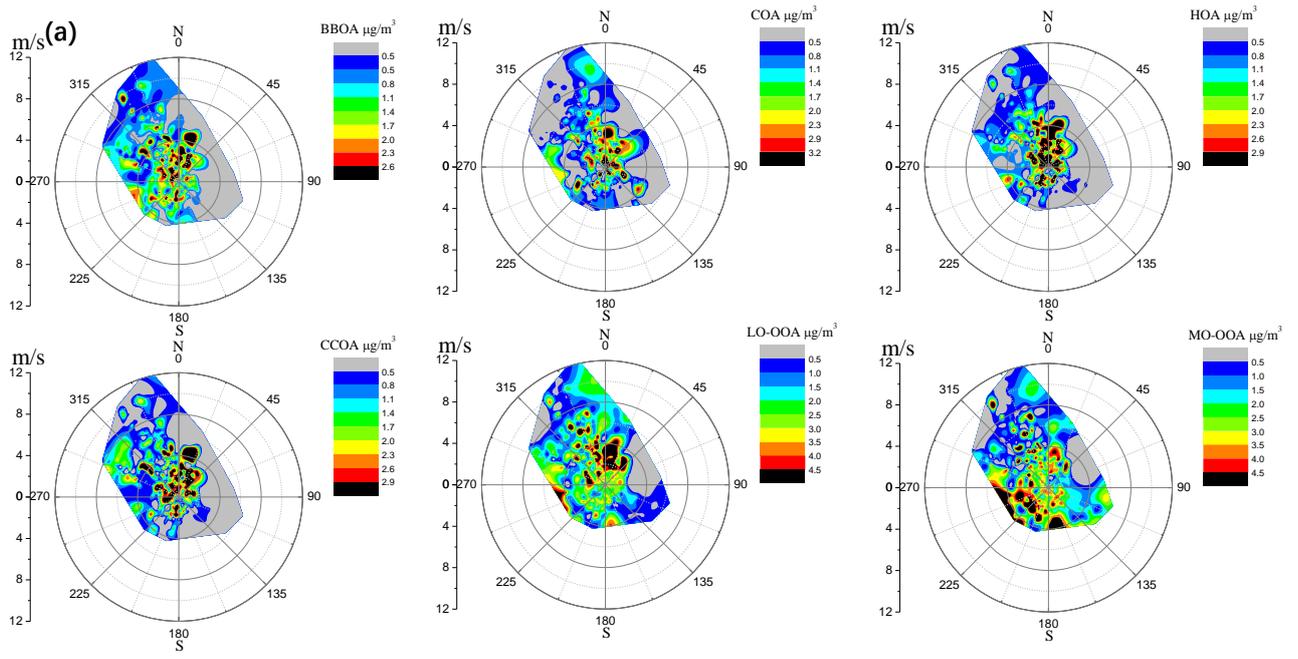
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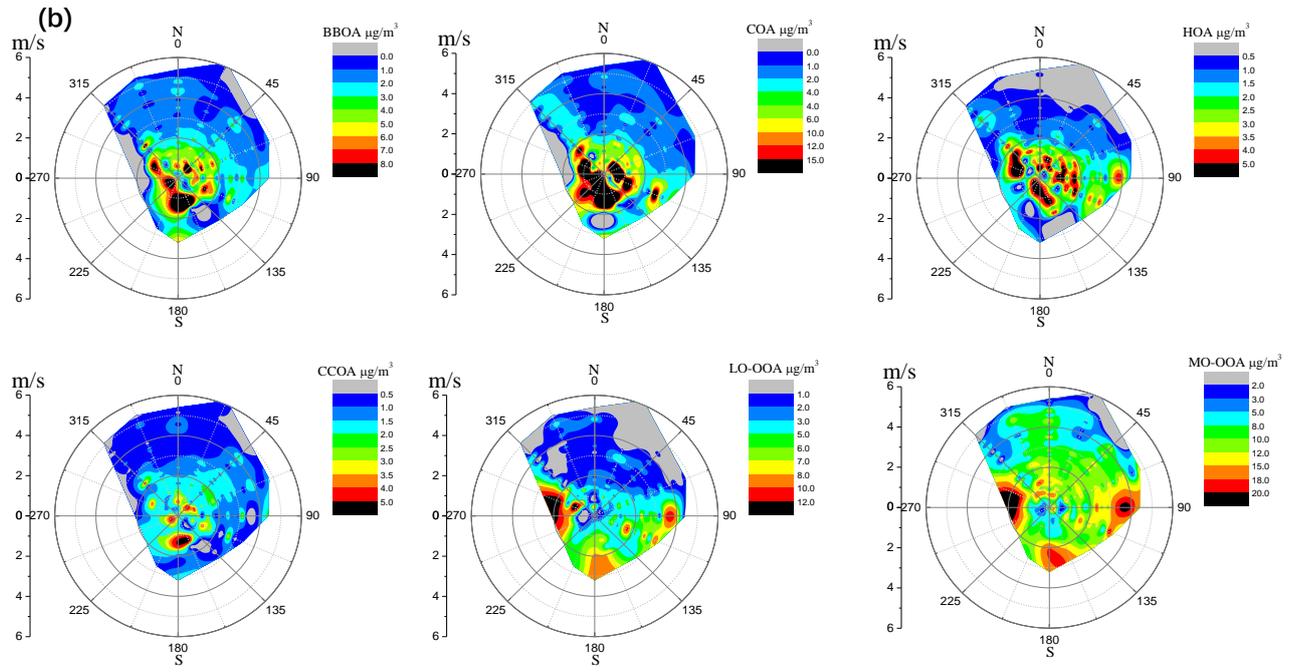
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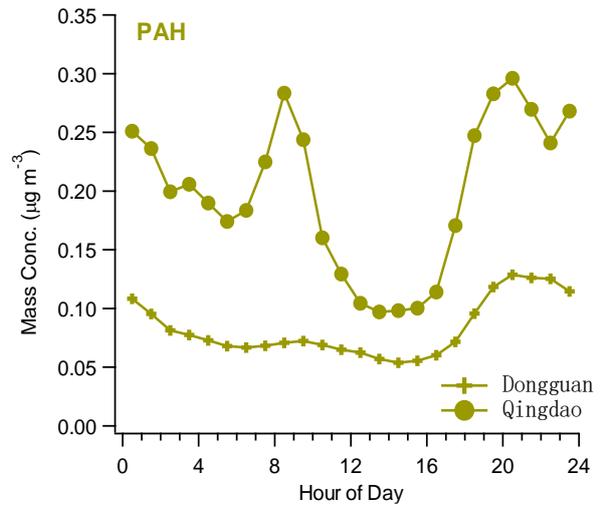
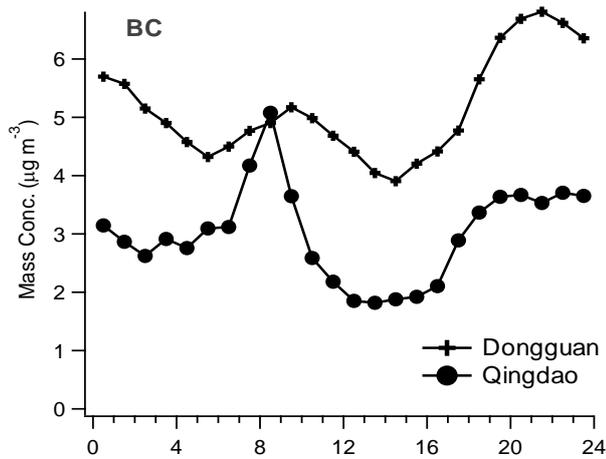
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**Figure S8.** The diurnal trends of BC and PAHs in Qingdao and Dongguan.

**Table S1.** The O/C ratios for each resolved factor with an  $a$  value from 0 to 1 for CCOA and from 0 to 0.1 for HOA using the ME-2 method for Dongguan.

$a$ value for CCOA \ $a$ value for HOA	0	0.1	0	0.1	0	0.1	0	0.1	0	0.1	0	0.1
	HOA	CCOA	COA	BBOA	LO-OOA	MO-OOA						
0	0.17	0.17	0.12	0.12	0.17	0.16	0.59	0.59	0.80	0.80	0.81	0.82
0.1	0.17	0.17	0.13	0.13	0.17	0.16	0.59	0.61	0.78	0.79	0.82	0.82
0.2	0.17	0.17	0.13	0.12	0.17	0.17	0.61	0.61	0.80	0.78	0.82	0.83
0.3	0.17	0.17	0.13	0.12	0.18	0.18	0.61	0.61	0.78	0.78	0.83	0.84
0.4	0.17	0.18	0.13	0.12	0.18	0.17	0.62	0.62	0.76	0.69	0.85	0.86
0.5	0.17	0.18	0.12	0.12	0.18	0.18	0.62	0.61	0.77	0.76	0.84	0.85
0.6	0.17	0.18	0.12	0.12	0.18	0.19	0.62	0.61	0.75	0.72	0.85	0.86
0.7	0.17	0.18	0.13	0.12	0.18	0.17	0.62	0.62	0.70	0.70	0.86	0.86
0.8	0.17	0.18	0.14	0.13	0.19	0.18	0.61	0.60	0.70	0.66	0.86	0.87
0.9	<b>0.17</b>	<b>0.18</b>	<b>0.18</b>	<b>0.18</b>	<b>0.18</b>	<b>0.18</b>	<b>0.61</b>	<b>0.59</b>	<b>0.63</b>	<b>0.65</b>	<b>0.90</b>	<b>0.87</b>
1	0.17	0.18	1.25	1.25	0.11	0.12	0.38	0.39	0.63	0.64	0.86	0.86

97 **Table S2.** The O/C ratio for each resolved factor and correlation parameters between POAs and their tracers with  $a$  value  
 98 of 0 to 1 for BBOA using ME-2 method in Qingdao.

$a$ value for BBOA	BBOA	CCOA	HOA	COA	LO-OOA	MO-OOA	CCOA vs PAHs (R <sup>2</sup> )	HOA vs BC (R <sup>2</sup> )
0	0.27	0.14	0.06	0.14	0.59	0.89	0.94	0.65
0.1	0.27	0.15	0.06	0.14	0.60	0.89	0.95	0.66
0.2	0.27	0.15	0.06	0.14	0.60	0.87	0.95	0.66
0.3	0.27	0.15	0.06	0.14	0.61	0.89	0.95	0.65
0.4	0.27	0.15	0.06	0.14	0.61	0.87	0.95	0.65
0.5	0.27	0.16	0.07	0.14	0.61	0.87	0.96	0.65
0.6	0.27	0.19	0.06	0.14	0.60	0.86	0.96	0.65
0.7	0.27	0.20	0.06	0.14	0.61	0.86	0.96	0.65
0.8	0.27	0.19	0.07	0.14	0.61	0.87	0.96	0.65
0.9	0.27	0.19	0.07	0.14	0.61	0.87	0.96	0.66
1	0.27	0.19	0.07	0.14	0.61	0.87	0.96	0.65

99 **Table S3(a).** The O/C ratio for HOA with different  $a$  value sets using ME-2 method in Dongguan.

$a$ value for HOA	0	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	1
0	0.17	0.17	0.19	0.19	0.24	0.22	0.25	0.32	0.28	0.36	0.42
0.1	0.17	0.17	0.19	0.22	0.23	0.25	0.28	0.32	0.36	0.39	0.42
0.2	0.17	0.17	0.20	0.22	0.23	0.25	0.28	0.32	0.37	0.39	0.42
0.3	0.17	0.17	0.20	0.22	0.23	0.27	0.28	0.33	0.37	0.40	0.42
0.4	0.17	0.18	0.20	0.22	0.23	0.25	0.28	0.33	0.37	0.38	0.49
0.5	0.17	0.18	0.20	0.22	0.24	0.24	0.29	0.33	0.38	0.38	0.45
0.6	0.17	0.18	0.20	0.22	0.24	0.26	0.29	0.34	0.36	0.45	0.54
0.7	0.17	0.18	0.20	0.20	0.24	0.22	0.26	0.35	0.37	0.41	0.56
0.8	0.17	0.18	0.20	0.22	0.24	0.26	0.29	0.35	0.32	0.48	0.42
0.9	0.17	0.18	0.20	0.20	0.23	0.22	0.29	0.33	0.37	0.40	0.42

<b>1</b>	0.17	0.18	0.19	0.21	0.19	0.20	0.20	0.36	0.36	0.39	0.50
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**Table S3(b).** The O/C ratio for CCOA with different  $a$  value sets using ME-2 method in Dongguan.

$a$ value for HOA $a$ value for CCOA	0	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	1
<b>0</b>	0.12	0.12	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.14
<b>0.1</b>	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.14	0.13
<b>0.2</b>	0.13	0.12	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13
<b>0.3</b>	0.13	0.12	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13
<b>0.4</b>	0.13	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.16	0.16
<b>0.5</b>	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.12
<b>0.6</b>	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.18	0.12	0.19
<b>0.7</b>	0.13	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.13	0.12	0.20
<b>0.8</b>	0.14	0.13	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.14
<b>0.9</b>	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.19	0.19	0.19	0.19
<b>1</b>	1.25	1.25	1.19	0.38	1.22	1.22	1.00	0.98	0.99	0.81	0.94

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**Table S3(c).** The O/C ratio for COA with different  $a$  value sets using ME-2 method in Dongguan.

$a$ value for HOA $a$ value for CCOA	0	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	1
<b>0</b>	0.17	0.16	0.17	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.17	0.17	0.17	0.17
<b>0.1</b>	0.17	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.17	0.17	0.17	0.17	0.18	0.18	0.17
<b>0.2</b>	0.17	0.17	0.18	0.16	0.17	0.17	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.18
<b>0.3</b>	0.18	0.18	0.17	0.17	0.17	0.16	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.18
<b>0.4</b>	0.18	0.17	0.18	0.17	0.17	0.17	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.50	0.16
<b>0.5</b>	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.17	0.17	0.15	0.17	0.18	0.18	0.44	0.18
<b>0.6</b>	0.18	0.19	0.18	0.17	0.18	0.18	0.17	0.18	0.16	0.18	0.15
<b>0.7</b>	0.18	0.17	0.19	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.16	0.18	0.15
<b>0.8</b>	0.19	0.18	0.17	0.17	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.18

<b>0.9</b>	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.16	0.18	0.18	0.14	0.19	0.15	0.18	0.14
<b>1</b>	0.11	0.12	0.13	0.17	0.14	0.14	0.10	0.17	0.10	0.12	0.12

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**Table S3(d).** The O/C ratio for BBOA with different  $a$  value sets using ME-2 method in Dongguan.

$a$ value for HOA $a$ value for CCOA	<b>0</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>0</b>	0.59	0.59	0.59	0.59	0.56	0.58	0.55	0.52	0.54	0.50	0.49
<b>0.1</b>	0.59	0.61	0.60	0.59	0.57	0.57	0.55	0.55	0.51	0.50	0.50
<b>0.2</b>	0.61	0.61	0.60	0.61	0.60	0.57	0.56	0.54	0.52	0.51	0.50
<b>0.3</b>	0.61	0.61	0.62	0.61	0.60	0.58	0.56	0.55	0.53	0.51	0.51
<b>0.4</b>	0.62	0.62	0.61	0.62	0.61	0.60	0.57	0.55	0.53	0.48	0.54
<b>0.5</b>	0.62	0.61	0.62	0.62	0.61	0.57	0.58	0.55	0.52	0.46	0.50
<b>0.6</b>	0.62	0.61	0.61	0.62	0.59	0.59	0.58	0.55	0.53	0.50	0.52
<b>0.7</b>	0.62	0.62	0.62	0.61	0.58	0.59	0.58	0.54	0.54	0.51	0.51
<b>0.8</b>	0.61	0.60	0.62	0.60	0.58	0.57	0.55	0.53	0.51	0.49	0.51
<b>0.9</b>	0.61	0.59	0.60	0.61	0.57	0.58	0.48	0.53	0.48	0.50	0.49
<b>1</b>	0.38	0.39	0.39	0.53	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.48	0.36	0.37	0.37

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**Table S4.** The correlation parameters ( $R^2$ ) between POA factors resolved from ME-2 and their tracers in Dongguan.

$a$ value for CCOA	$a$ value for HOA		$a$ value for CCOA	
	<b>0</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.1</b>
	HOA vs. BC		CCOA vs. PAHs	
<b>0</b>	0.53	0.52	0.57	0.58
<b>0.1</b>	0.54	0.54	0.60	0.59
<b>0.2</b>	0.55	0.54	0.57	0.61
<b>0.3</b>	0.56	0.57	0.61	0.61
<b>0.4</b>	0.56	0.57	0.62	0.61

<b>0.5</b>	0.55	0.56	0.62	0.61
<b>0.6</b>	0.57	0.57	0.62	0.62
<b>0.7</b>	0.58	0.57	0.63	0.62
<b>0.8</b>	0.59	0.60	0.63	0.63
<b>0.9</b>	0.60	0.60	0.63	0.64
<b>1</b>	0.61	0.60	0.64	0.63

104 **Table S5.** Comparison of the correlations between POAs and their tracers and Q/Q<sub>exp</sub> values using four reference  
105 BBOA MS in ME-2 in Qingdao.

<b>Reference MS</b>	<b>HOA vs. BC</b>	<b>BBOA vs. C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup></b>	<b>COA vs. C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>10</sub>O<sup>+</sup></b>	<b>CCOA vs. PAHs</b>	<b>Q/Q<sub>exp</sub></b>
	<b>(R<sup>2</sup>)</b>	<b>(R<sup>2</sup>)</b>	<b>(R<sup>2</sup>)</b>	<b>(R<sup>2</sup>)</b>	
This study	0.65	0.81	0.82	0.94	1.72
BBOA in Europe (Crippa et al.,2014)	0.60	0.75	0.65	0.80	1.93
BBOA in Xi'an and Beijing (Elser et al.,2016)	0.61	0.78	0.69	0.79	1.84
BBOA in Chinese BB simulation (He et al.,2010)	0.62	0.80	0.84	0.90	1.85

106 **Table S6.** Comparison of the correlations between POAs and their tracers and Q/Q<sub>exp</sub> values using four reference HOA  
107 MS in ME-2 in Dongguan.

<b>Reference MS</b>	<b>HOA vs. BC</b>	<b>BBOA vs. C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup></b>	<b>COA vs. C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>10</sub>O<sup>+</sup></b>	<b>CCOA vs. PAHs</b>	<b>Q/Q<sub>exp</sub></b>
	<b>(R<sup>2</sup>)</b>	<b>(R<sup>2</sup>)</b>	<b>(R<sup>2</sup>)</b>	<b>(R<sup>2</sup>)</b>	
This study	0.60	0.71	0.93	0.64	2.85
HOA in Paris	0.57	0.71	0.86	0.60	3.42

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(Crippa et al.,2013)

HOA in Xi'an and Beijing	0.58	0.70	0.85	0.57	3.40
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(Elser et al.,2016)

HOA in Chinese vehicle emission simulation	0.60	0.70	0.84	0.60	3.41
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