

## 1 **Supplementary Information for:**

### 2 **Epoxide-driven secondary organic aerosol formation is modulated by aerosol-** 3 **cloud cycling**

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#### 12 **Section S1: WRF-LES Configuration**

13 The model configuration follows Fast et al. (2019)<sup>36</sup> and is briefly summarized here. We use one-  
14 way nested domains from the 300-m grid spacing in the outer domain to the 100-m grid in the  
15 inner domain. In both domains, the vertical grid spacing is 24 m in the lower atmosphere, gradually  
16 coarsened above ~ 6.2 km to the top of the domain at 16.2 km above the mean sea level. The outer  
17 domain size is 300 x 300 km, and the inner domain covers a 120 x 120 km area centered at the  
18 ARM SGP central facility (see Figure S10). We use the following physics parameterizations: the  
19 RRTMG shortwave and longwave radiation<sup>37</sup>, the Thompson microphysics<sup>38</sup>, the revised MM5  
20 Monin-Obukhov surface layer<sup>39</sup>, the turbulent kinetic energy closure for sub-grid turbulence<sup>40</sup>, and  
21 the Noah land surface model<sup>41</sup>.

22 The WRF model is integrated from 12:00 UTC (6:00 CST) to 23:00 UTC (17:00 CST) on April  
23 25, 2016. The three-dimensional output from the inner domain is written at a one-minute  
24 frequency. The atmospheric initial and boundary conditions are obtained from the European Centre  
25 for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts (ECMWF) High-Resolution operational analysis with a  
26 nominal grid spacing of 9 km<sup>42</sup>. Recently developed land-data assimilation data with 1-km grid  
27 spacing is used for the initial soil moisture and temperature<sup>43</sup>. Compared to the ARM SGP Central  
28 Facility sounding, the ECMWF analysis well captured the early-morning temperature, humidity,  
29 and wind directions in the lowest ~1.5 km of the atmosphere. However, the wind speed is ~ 5 m/s  
30 too low between 1 and 1.5 km AGL, and the sharpness of the inversion around 1.5 km above the  
31 surface is also underestimated (Figure S11) which could affect boundary-layer growth during the  
32 model integration. Consistent with this initial condition, the simulated near-surface specific  
33 humidity and wind directions agree well with the surface observations throughout the integration,  
34 but the 10-m wind speed is underestimated by 1-2 m/s (Figures S11-12). Also, the simulated 2-m  
35 air temperature is higher than observed by ~ 2 °C (Figure S10d), which may be caused by  
36 overestimated sensible heat flux in the morning (Figure S12e). Still, the WRF-LES reproduce  
37 cloud development seen in the GOES retrieval (Figure S13).

#### 38 **Section S2: Background trace gas concentrations from aircraft measurements**

39 The background concentration of sulfate, nitrate, and IEPOX SOA precursors are approximated as  
40 a function of altitude and are informed by chemical ionization mass spectrometry (CIMS)

41 measurements on board the G-1 aircraft<sup>44</sup>. CIMS measurements are averaged over G-1 flight legs  
 42 that intersect air parcels, resulting in vertical concentration profiles for each chemical species. We  
 43 assume that the background concentration of trace gases follows the CIMS measurements and are  
 44 interpolated as a function of the altitude of the air parcel. When air parcels are outside the limits  
 45 of CIMS measurements, exponential approximations are used to extrapolate the trace gas  
 46 concentrations (see Figure S14). For trace gases that were not measured by CIMS, we use vertical  
 47 concentration profiles from a standard atmosphere model<sup>45</sup>.

### 48 Section S3: Droplet activation in LD-Chem model

49 Water uptake on particles in each particle-resolved simulation is based on previously published  
 50 models<sup>27,46</sup>. The rate of change in droplet radius is given by

$$51 \quad \frac{dr_i}{dt} = \frac{G}{r_i} (s - s_{eq,i}), \quad (2)$$

52 where  $r_i$  is the radius of particle  $i$ ,  $s$  is the supersaturation,  $s_{eq,i}$  is the equilibrium supersaturation  
 53 of droplet  $i$ , and  $G$  is the droplet growth coefficient, given by

$$54 \quad G = \left\{ \frac{\rho_w RT}{e_s D'_v M_w} + \frac{L \rho_w [(LM_w/RT) - 1]}{k'_a T} \right\}^{-1}. \quad (3)$$

55 Here,  $\rho_w$  is the density of water,  $R$  is the universal gas constant,  $T$  is the temperature,  $e_s$  is the  
 56 saturation vapor pressure,  $M_w$  is the molar mass of water,  $L$  is the latent heat of vaporization of  
 57 water,  $D'_v$  is the diffusivity of air, and  $k'_a$  is the thermal conductivity of air. To account for non-  
 58 continuum effects on the diffusivity and of air,  $D'_v$  is calculated using

$$59 \quad D'_v = \frac{D_v}{1 + \frac{D_v}{\alpha_c r_i} \sqrt{\frac{2\pi M_w}{RT}}}, \quad (4)$$

60 where  $\rho_a$  is the density of air,  $D_v$  is the diffusivity of air, and  $\alpha_c$  is the condensation coefficient.  
 61 We also account for non-continuum effects on the thermal conductivity of air, and calculate  $k'_a$   
 62 using

$$63 \quad k'_a = \frac{k_a}{1 + \frac{k_a}{\alpha_T r_i \rho_a c_p} \sqrt{\frac{2\pi M_a}{RT}}}, \quad (5)$$

64 where  $k_a$  is the thermal conductivity of air,  $\alpha_T$  is the thermal accommodation coefficient, and  $M_a$   
 65 is the molar mass of dry air. The droplet equilibrium supersaturation is calculated using  $\kappa$ -Köhler  
 66 theory, and is related to the hygroscopicity parameter ( $\kappa$ ) by

$$67 \quad s_{eq,i} = a_w \exp \left[ \frac{2\sigma_w M_w}{RT \rho_w r_i} \right], \quad (6)$$

68 where  $\sigma_w$  is the surface tension of water, and

$$69 \quad a_w = \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{V_{tot}} \left( \sum_{j=1}^{N_j} V_j \kappa_j \right) \left( \frac{r_d^3}{r} \right) \right]^{-1}. \quad (7)$$

70 Here,  $V_{tot}$  is the total volume of the dry particle,  $V_j$  is the volume of species  $j$  in the droplet,  $\kappa_j$  is

71 the hygroscopicity parameter of species  $j$ ,  $r_d$  is the dry radius, and  $N_j$  is the number of dry species  
72 present in the droplet. Values for all constants used in Equations 1-6 can be found in supplementary  
73 Table S4.

#### 74 **Section S4: Optimization Procedure for Initial Aerosol Populations**

75 Initialization of aerosol populations in particle-resolved simulations begins by randomly  
76 distributing each class of particle (sulfate rich, nitrate rich, organic, dust, black carbon, and IEPOX  
77 SOA rich) amongst the modes of the measured size distribution, while enforcing that the fraction  
78 of particles larger than 85 nm must match the miniSPLAT-measured value<sup>15,47</sup>. We then used  
79 combined squared normalized residual (RSS) to quantify how closely the number concentration,  
80 surface area concentration, and mass fraction of each chemical species matches measurements.  
81 This process is repeated 1,000 times and the model configuration which minimizes RSS is used to  
82 initialize the size distribution of each particle class. It should be noted that we assume separate size  
83 distributions for black carbon (BC) and dust particles, with lognormal distributions given by  
84 previous publications<sup>48</sup>.

85 Once the size distribution of each particle class has been determined, the mass of each chemical  
86 species in each particle is determined. The chemical composition of a particle in class  $A$  is  
87 determined by firstly generating a random number following a Gaussian probability distribution  
88 with a given average ( $\mu$ ) and standard deviation of 0.1. The generated random number ( $x$ ) must be  
89 greater than a user-defined minimum mass fraction of  $A$  within each particle of type  $A$  ( $\beta$ ). If  $x$  is  
90 greater than  $\beta$ , then the mass fraction of  $A$  in the particle will be equal to  $x$ , and the rest of the  
91 particle's mass is made up of other randomly selected species. Detailed knowledge of  $\beta$  for each  
92 particle class would require rigorous analysis of the mass spectra of each individual particle,  
93 detailed chamber experiments for each compound of interest (both infeasible for time purposes),  
94 or the ability to map between mass spectra and mass fraction (a longstanding challenge for mass  
95 spectrometry techniques). Detailed analysis of miniSPLAT mass spectra from chamber  
96 experiments show that IEPOX SOA rich particles are at least 30% IEPOX SOA by mass<sup>35</sup>. Based  
97 on this we assume that  $\beta$  is 0.3 for IEPOX SOA particles, and that  $\beta$  is 0.5 for all other particle  
98 classes. All particles are neutralized during the model initialization by balancing the mole fractions  
99 of sulfate and nitrate with ammonium.

100 The initialization procedure outlined here generates a particle population that represents the  
101 particle-scale compositional diversity measured by miniSPLAT, while preserving bulk chemical  
102 composition and size distribution information. We initialize each air parcel with 100 computational  
103 particles and use a 5 second time step to best balance statistical accuracy and computational costs  
104 (see Figures S5-6). An overview of the initialization procedure can be found in Figure S15, and  
105 the initial size distribution and bulk composition of each particle-containing air parcel is shown in  
106 Figure S16.

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**Table S1.** Gas-phase photolysis and thermal reactions included in particle-resolved simulations. Unless otherwise noted, all reactions and rate constants are taken from McNeill et. al. 2012 and have the form  $k(T) = k_0 \exp(-E_a/RT)$ .

Reaction	$k_0$ ((mol/m <sup>3</sup> ) <sup>n-1</sup> /s)	$-E_a/R$ (K)	Notes
$\text{H}_2\text{O}_2 + h\nu \rightarrow 2\text{OH}$	$7.66 \times 10^{-6}$		
$\text{O}_3 + h\nu \rightarrow \text{O}({}^1\text{D}) + \text{O}_2$	$3.55 \times 10^{-5}$		
$\text{O}_3 + h\nu \rightarrow \text{O}({}^3\text{P}) + \text{O}_2$	$2.08 \times 10^{-4}$		
$\text{NO}_2 + h\nu \rightarrow \text{NO} + \text{O}({}^3\text{P})$	$8.79 \times 10^{-3}$		
$\text{NO}_3 + h\nu \rightarrow \text{NO}_2 + \text{O}({}^3\text{P})$	$1.53 \times 10^{-1}$		
$\text{NO}_3 + h\nu \rightarrow \text{NO} + \text{O}_2$	$2.21 \times 10^{-2}$		
$\text{HNO}_3 + h\nu \rightarrow \text{NO}_2 + \text{OH}$	$6.56 \times 10^{-7}$		
$\text{HONO} + h\nu \rightarrow \text{NO} + \text{OH}$	$1.95 \times 10^{-3}$		
$\text{N}_2\text{O}_5 + h\nu \rightarrow \text{NO}_2 + \text{NO}_3$	$2.54 \times 10^{-5}$		
$\text{O}({}^1\text{D}) + \text{N}_2 \rightarrow \text{O}({}^3\text{P}) + \text{N}_2$	$1.08 \times 10^7$	100	
$\text{O}({}^1\text{D}) + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{O}({}^3\text{P}) + \text{O}_2$	$1.93 \times 10^7$	70	
$\text{O}({}^3\text{P}) + \text{O}_2 + \text{M} \rightarrow \text{O}_3$	$2.18 \times 10^2$	690	
$\text{O}({}^1\text{D}) + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow 2\text{OH}$	$1.32 \times 10^2$		
$\text{O}_3 + \text{OH} \rightarrow \text{HO}_2 + \text{O}_2$	$9.64 \times 10^5$	-940	
$\text{O}_3 + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{OH} + 2\text{O}_2$	$6.62 \times 10^3$	-500	
$\text{NO} + \text{OH} + \text{M} \rightarrow \text{HONO}$	$2.76 \times 10^{24}$		
$\text{O}_3 + \text{NO} \rightarrow \text{NO}_2 + \text{O}_2$	$1.20 \times 10^6$	-1400	
$\text{O}_3 + \text{NO}_2 \rightarrow \text{NO}_3 + \text{O}_2$	$7.23 \times 10^4$	-2450	
$\text{NO} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow 2\text{NO}_2$	$9.03 \times 10^6$	170	
$\text{NO}_2 + \text{NO}_3 + \text{M} \rightarrow \text{N}_2\text{O}_5$	$4.71 \times 10^{23}$		
$\text{N}_2\text{O}_5 + \text{M} \rightarrow \text{NO}_2 + \text{NO}_3$	$4.09 \times 10^{16}$	-11080	
$\text{NO}_2 + \text{OH} + \text{M} \rightarrow \text{HNO}_3$	$3.52 \times 10^{24}$		
$\text{NO}_2 + \text{HO}_2 + \text{M} \rightarrow \text{HNO}_4$	$5.44 \times 10^{23}$		
$\text{HNO}_4 + \text{M} \rightarrow \text{NO}_2 + \text{HO}_2$	$4.64 \times 10^6$	-10420	
$\text{CO} + \text{OH} \rightarrow \text{CO}_2 + \text{HO}_2$	$9.03 \times 10^4$		
$2\text{HO}_2 + \text{M} \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O}_2 + \text{O}_2$			[1]
$\text{H}_2\text{O}_2 + \text{OH} \rightarrow \text{HO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	$1.75 \times 10^6$	-160	
$\text{HO}_2 + \text{NO} \rightarrow \text{NO}_2 + \text{OH}$	$2.11 \times 10^6$	250	
$\text{HO}_2 + \text{OH} \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{O}_2$	$2.89 \times 10^7$	250	
$\text{SO}_2 + \text{OH} + \text{M} \rightarrow \text{HOSO}_2$			[2]
$\text{HOSO}_2 + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{HO}_2 + \text{SO}_3$	$7.83 \times 10^5$	-330	[3]
$\text{SO}_3 + 2\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$	$1.41 \times 10^{-5}$	6830	[3]
$\text{ISOP} + \text{OH} + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{ISOPOO}$	$1.26 \times 10^7$	465	[3]
$\text{ISOPOO} + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{ISOPOOH} + \text{O}_2$	$1.02 \times 10^7$		[3]
$\text{ISOPOOH} + \text{OH} \rightarrow \text{IEPOX} + \text{OH}$	$1.14 \times 10^7$	390	

110 [1] Third-body reactions with O<sub>2</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>, rate constant<sup>49</sup> is given by  $k(T) = [1.32 \times 10^5 \exp(600/T) + 6.9 \times 10^2 [\text{N}_2] \exp(980/T)] \times$   
111  $[1.0 + 8.4 \times 10^{-4} [\text{H}_2\text{O}] \exp(2200/T)]$ . Data Sheet HOx14.

112 [2] Rate coefficient is calculated according to IUPAC preferred low-pressure and high-pressure limits with Troe falloff kinetics<sup>50</sup>.  
113 Data Sheet SOx15.

114 [3] Values taken from IUPAC recommendations<sup>51</sup>: data sheets SOx16, SOx47, HOx\_VOC8, and HOx\_VOC81.

115 **Table S2.** Names and Henry's Law constants for water-soluble gases included in particle-resolved model. Temperature dependent  
 116 Henry's Law constant is given by  $H(T) = H_0 \exp[-\Delta H_{sol}/R(1/T - 1/T_0)]$ , where  $T_0$  is 298 K. All values are taken from Leriche et.  
 117 al. 2003, unless otherwise noted.

Gas	$\alpha$	$H_0$ (M/atm)	$-\Delta H_{sol}/R$ (K)	Notes
SO <sub>2</sub>	0.11	$1.4 \times 10^0$	2900	
O <sub>3</sub>	0.05	$1.1 \times 10^{-2}$	2300	
H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>	0.07	$2.1 \times 10^5$	8700	
IEPOX	0.001	$2.0 \times 10^6$	4400	[1]
H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	0.11	$8.33 \times 10^4$	7400	
NO <sub>2</sub>	0.0015	$1.2 \times 10^{-2}$	1260	
HNO <sub>2</sub>	0.05	$5.0 \times 10^1$	4900	
HNO <sub>3</sub>	0.054	$2.1 \times 10^5$	8700	
HNO <sub>4</sub>	0.05	$1.2 \times 10^4$	6900	
NH <sub>3</sub>	0.04	$6.1 \times 10^1$	3920	
OH	0.05	$3.0 \times 10^1$	4500	
HONO	0.05	$5.0 \times 10^1$	4900	
N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.0037	$2.1 \times 10^0$	3400	
CO <sub>2</sub>	0.0002	$3.6 \times 10^{-2}$	2200	
ISOP	0.028	$1.0 \times 10^{-4}$		[2]

118 [1] Values taken from Zhang et. al. 2023<sup>9</sup>.

119 [2] Value taken from McNeill et. al. 2012<sup>26</sup>.

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121 **Table S3.** Aqueous-phase reactions included in particle-resolved simulations. Temperature dependent rate constants are given by  
 122  $k(T) = k_0 \exp[-E_a/R(1/T - 1/T_0)]$ , where  $T_0$  is 298 K. Unless otherwise noted, all reaction rate constants are taken from Seinfeld  
 123 and Pandis (2016).

Reaction	$k_0$ ((mol/m <sup>3</sup> ) <sup>n-1</sup> /s)	$-E_a/R$ (K)	Notes
$\text{SO}_2 \rightarrow \text{HSO}_3^- + \text{H}^+$	$5.0 \times 10^5$	1960	
$\text{HSO}_3^- + \text{H}^+ \rightarrow \text{SO}_2$	$3.85 \times 10^4$	1960	
$\text{HSO}_3^- \rightarrow \text{SO}_3^{2-} + \text{H}^+$	$5.0 \times 10^5$	1500	
$\text{SO}_3^{2-} + \text{H}^+ \rightarrow \text{HSO}_3^-$	$7.5 \times 10^9$	1500	
$\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4 \rightarrow \text{HSO}_4^- + \text{H}^+$	$5.0 \times 10^5$		
$\text{HSO}_4^- + \text{H}^+ \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$	$5.0 \times 10^2$		
$\text{HSO}_4^- \rightarrow \text{SO}_4^{2-} + \text{H}^+$	$5.0 \times 10^3$	2720	
$\text{SO}_4^{2-} + \text{H}^+ \rightarrow \text{HSO}_4^-$	$5.0 \times 10^5$	2720	
$\text{S(IV)} + \text{O}_3 \rightarrow \text{S(VI)}$	$k_{\text{O}_3,1} + k_{\text{O}_3,2} + k_{\text{O}_3,3}$		[1,2]
$\text{S(IV)} + \text{H}_2\text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{S(VI)}$	$k_{\text{HP},1}/(1+k_{\text{HP},2})$		[1,3]
$\text{S(IV)} + \text{NO}_2 \rightarrow \text{S(VI)} + \text{NO}$	$1.24 \times 10^4$		[1]
$\text{S(IV)} + \text{HNO}_2 \rightarrow \text{S(VI)}$	$2.0 \times 10^6$		[1]
$\text{S(IV)} + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{S(VI)}$	$k_{\text{O}_2,1}$		[1,4]
$\text{IEPOX} + \text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{H}^+ \rightarrow \text{tetrol} + \text{H}^+$	$1.0 \times 10^{-8}$		
$\text{IEPOX} + \text{HSO}_4^- \rightarrow \text{IEPOX OS}$	$1.46 \times 10^{-7}$		
$\text{IEPOX} + \text{SO}_4^{2-} + \text{H}^+ \rightarrow \text{IEPOX OS} + \text{H}^+$	$1.06 \times 10^{-8}$		
$\text{IEPOX} + \text{tetrol} \rightarrow \text{tetrol oligomers}$	$3.54 \times 10^{-2}$		
$\text{H}_2\text{O}_2 + h\nu \rightarrow 2 \cdot\text{OH}$	$2.8 \times 10^{-6}$		[5]
$\cdot\text{OH} + \cdot\text{OH} \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O}_2$	$3.6 \times 10^6$		[5]
$\cdot\text{OH} + \text{H}_2\text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{HO}_2$	$2.7 \times 10^4$	1700	[5]
$\cdot\text{OH} + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{O}_2$	$6.0 \times 10^6$		[5]
$\cdot\text{OH} + \text{O}_2^- \rightarrow \text{OH} + \text{O}_2$	$3.5 \times 10^7$	720	[5]
$\text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{O}_2^- + \text{H}^+$	$8.0 \times 10^3$		[5]
$\text{O}_2^- + \text{H}^+ \rightarrow \text{HO}_2$	$5.0 \times 10^5$		[5]
$\text{IEPOX} + \cdot\text{OH} \rightarrow \text{IEPOX SOA}$			[5]
$\text{NH}_3 \rightarrow \text{NH}_4^+ + \text{OH}^-$	$8.5 \times 10^0$	-450	
$\text{NH}_4^+ + \text{OH}^- \rightarrow \text{NH}_3$	$5.0 \times 10^5$	-450	
$2\text{NO}_2 \rightarrow \text{NO}_3^- + \text{H}^+$	$1.0 \times 10^5$	1500	
$\text{NO} + \text{NO}_2 \rightarrow 2\text{NO}_2^- + 2\text{H}^+$	$2.0 \times 10^5$	1500	
$\text{NO}_2 + \cdot\text{OH} \rightarrow \text{NO}_3^- + \text{H}^+$	$1.2 \times 10^7$		
$\text{NO}_2^- + \text{O}_3 \rightarrow \text{NO}_3^- + \text{O}_2$	$5.0 \times 10^3$	6950	
$\text{HNO}_3 \rightarrow \text{NO}_3^- + \text{H}^+$	$5.0 \times 10^5$	8700	
$\text{NO}_3^- + \text{H}^+ \rightarrow \text{HNO}_3$	$3.2 \times 10^4$	8700	

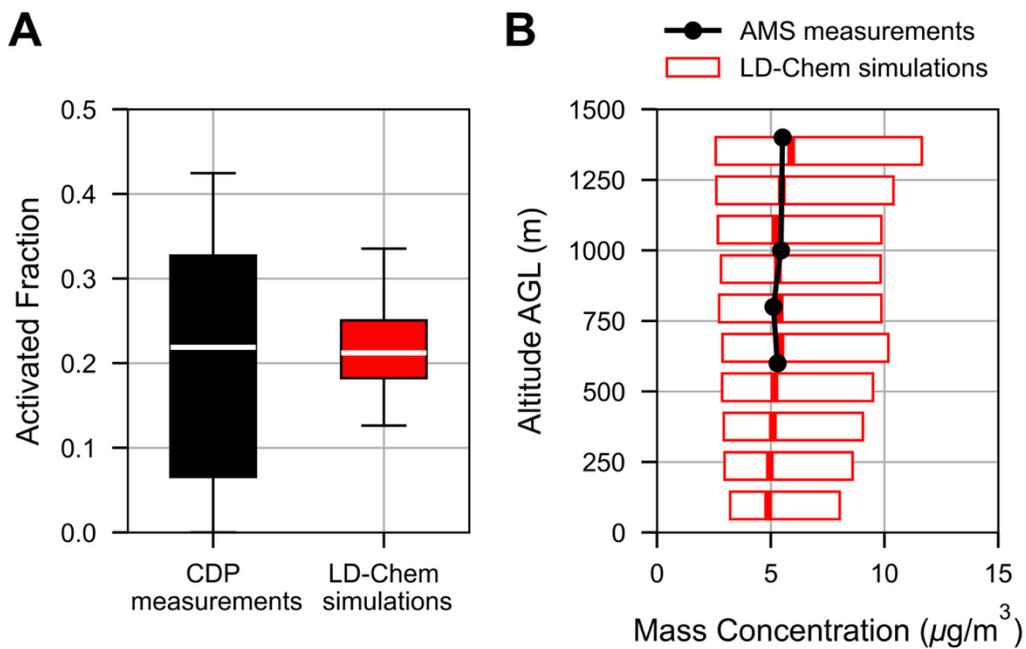
124 [1] Values are taken from Liu et. al. 2021<sup>3</sup>  
 125 [2]  $k_{\text{O}_3,1} = 4.9 \times 10^4 [\text{SO}_2]$ ,  $k_{\text{O}_3,2} = 6.2 \times 10^2 [\text{HSO}_3^-] \exp[-5530(1/T - 1/T_0)]$ , and  $k_{\text{O}_3,3} = 4.0 \times 10^6 [\text{SO}_3^{2-}] \exp[-5280(1/T - 1/T_0)]$ ,  
 126 where all concentration units are in mol/m<sup>3</sup>.  
 127 [3]  $k_{\text{HP},1} = 1.5 \times 10^2 [\text{HSO}_3^-] [\text{H}^+] \exp[-4430(1/T - 1/T_0)]$ ,  $k_{\text{HP},2} = 1.3 \times 10^{-2} [\text{H}^+]$   
 128 [4]  $k_{\text{O}_2,1} = 8.72 \times 10^7 [\text{H}^+]^{0.74} [\text{Mn(II)}] [\text{Fe(III)}]$  for pH  $\leq 4.2$  and  $k_{\text{O}_2,1} = 7.51 \times 10^{13} [\text{H}^+]^{0.67} [\text{Mn(II)}] [\text{Fe(III)}]$  for pH  $> 4.2$ . Transition  
 129 metal ion concentrations are calculated as a function of pH according to Seinfeld and Pandis 2016<sup>25</sup>.  
 130 [5] Mechanism is based on Otto et. al. 2019<sup>52</sup>.

131 **Table S4.** Constants used to calculate water uptake. All values are based on Rothenberg and Wang 2016<sup>27</sup>.

<b>Constant</b>	<b>Abbreviation</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Units</b>
Gravitational constant	$g$	9.8	$m/s^2$
Specific heat of dry air	$C_p$	1004.0	
Density of water	$\rho_w$	1000.0	$kg/m^3$
Gas constant for dry air	$R_d$	287.0	
Gas constant for water vapor	$R_v$	461.5	
Gas constant	$R$	8.314	$m^3 Pa/mol K$
Molecular weight of water	$M_w$	0.018	$kg/mol$
Molecular weight of dry air	$M_a$	0.0289	$kg/mol$
Diffusivity of water vapor in air	$D_v$	$3.0 \times 10^{-5}$	$m^2/s$
Latent heat of vaporization of water	$L_v$	$2.25 \times 10^6$	
Condensation coefficient	$\alpha_c$	1.0	
Thermal conductivity of air	$k_a$	0.02	
Thermal accommodation coefficient	$\alpha_T$	0.96	
Boltzmann constant	$k_b$	$1.38 \times 10^{-23}$	

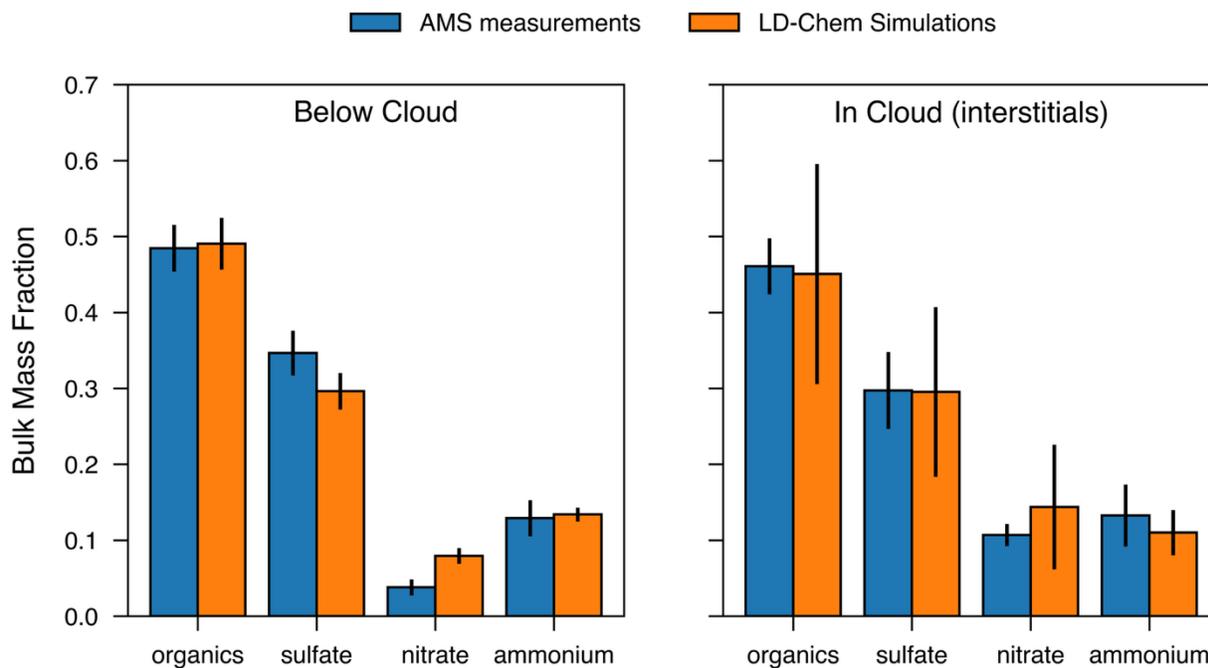
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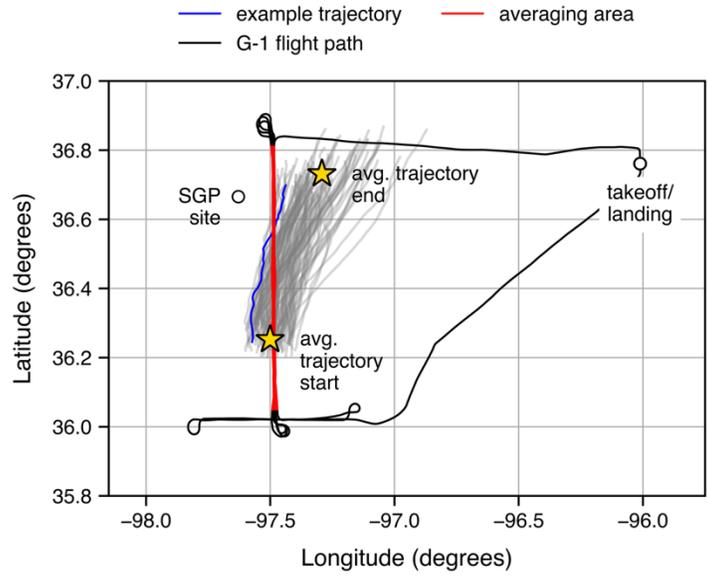
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 136 measurements (A). Simulations also predict that the mass mixing ratio increases from 5.4  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  at an altitude of 600  
 137 m to 5.9  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  at an altitude of 1300 m, which is also in good agreement AMS measurements (B).



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139 **Figure S2.** Bulk mass fraction of individual species in LD-chem simulations agrees well with AMS measurements  
 140 below the cloud layer (left) and in the cloud layer (right) on April 25<sup>th</sup>. It should be noted that we do not include cloud  
 141 droplet residuals in the right panel to avoid possible compositional changes as particles are dried before measurement  
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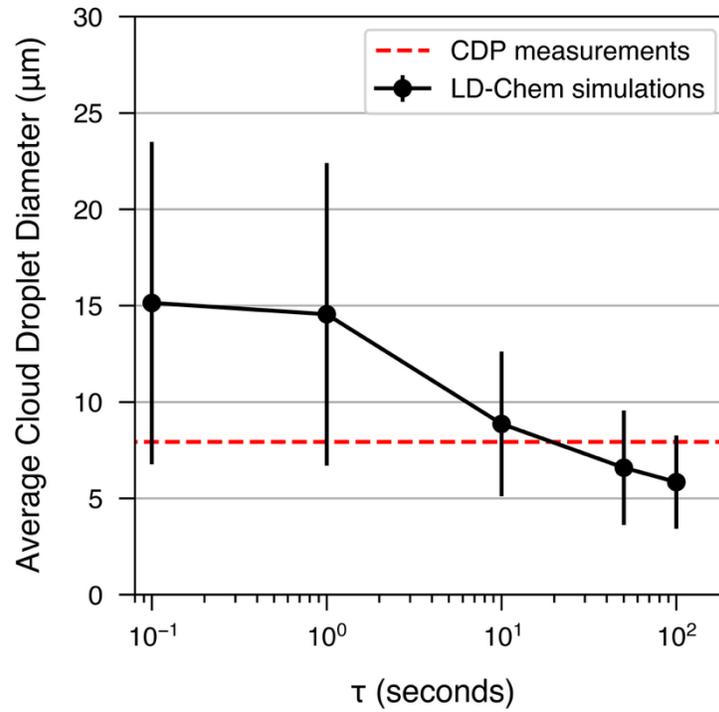
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145 **Figure S3.** Flight path of G-1 aircraft on April 25<sup>th</sup>. We used measurements from six north-south transects of the G-1  
 146 flight for comparison with Lagrangian Droplet (LD) simulations (averaging area). Measurements of trace gas  
 147 concentrations on these flight legs were also used to inform vertically resolved trace gas concentrations in LD  
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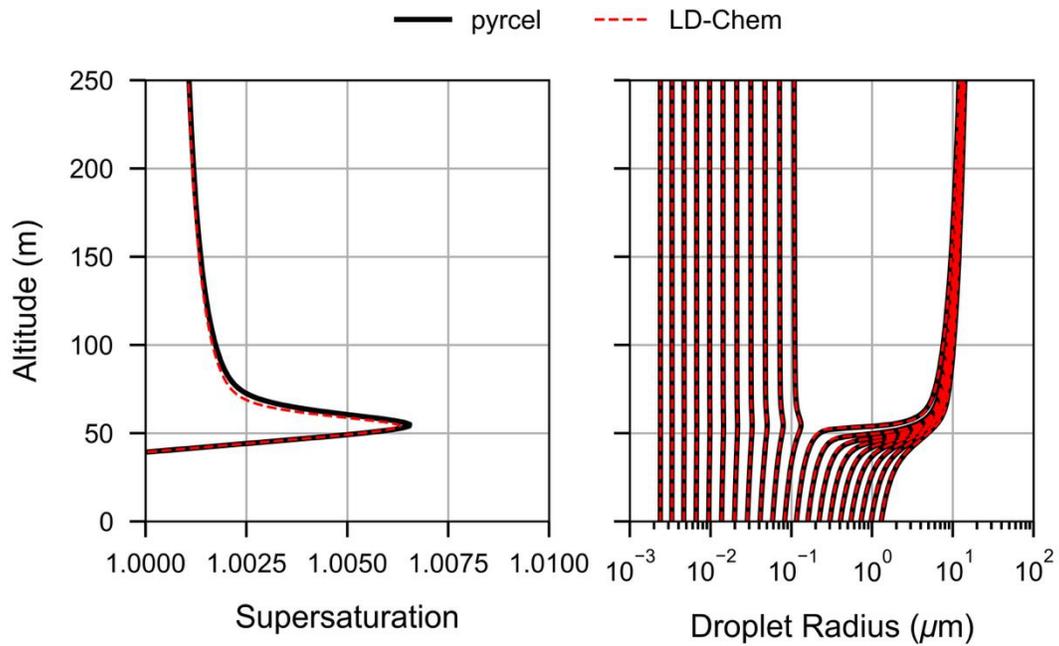


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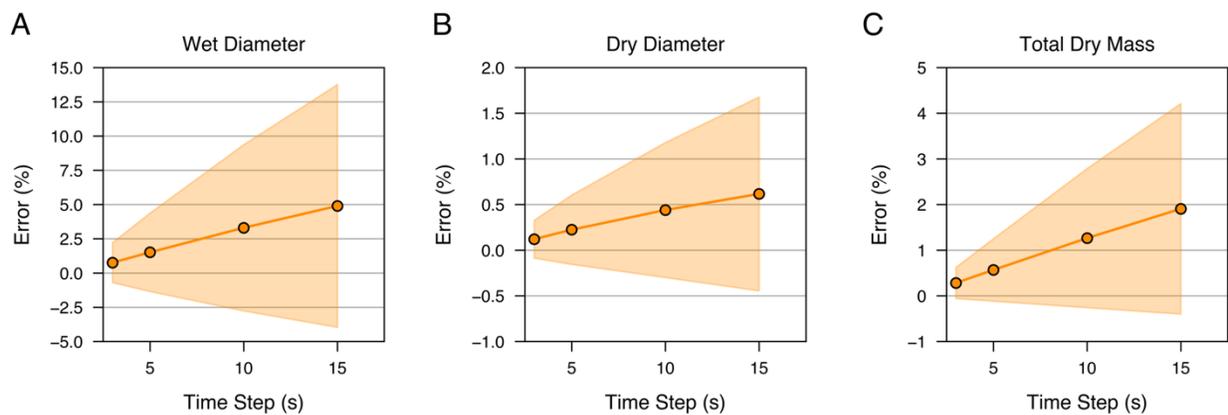
151 **Figure S4.** Average cloud droplet diameter as a function of mass transfer timescale between background and air  
152 parcels ( $\tau$ ) in 10 LD-Chem simulations . Setting  $\tau = 24.5$  s reconciles the simulated average cloud droplet diameter  
153 with cloud droplet probe (CDP) measurements and is therefore used in all simulations.

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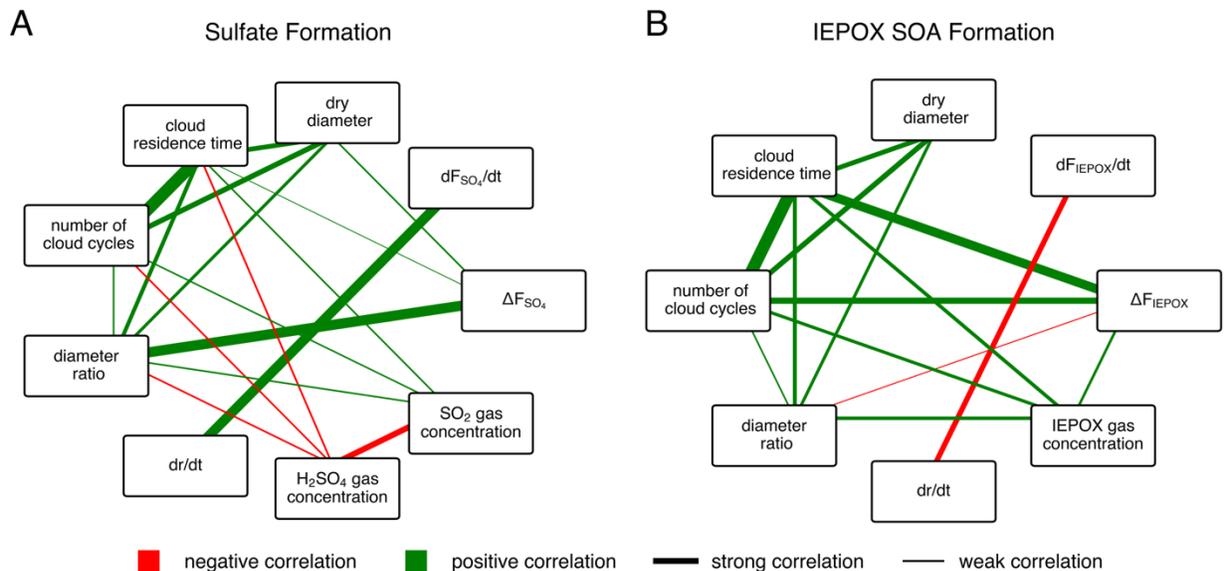
155 **Figure S5.** Comparison of full-coupled parcel model simulations (pyrcel) and process-split LD-Chem  
156 simulations. We find that droplet activation and subsequent supersaturation adjustments are accurately captured  
157 in LD-Chem simulations.



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159 **Figure S6.** Effects of simulation time step on final wet diameter (A), dry diameter (B), and dry mass (C) in 10 process-  
 160 split LD-Chem simulations. Points represent average error and shaded areas represent one standard deviation. Here,  
 161 error is calculated compared to simulations with identical initial conditions and a 1.0 second time step. Maintaining a  
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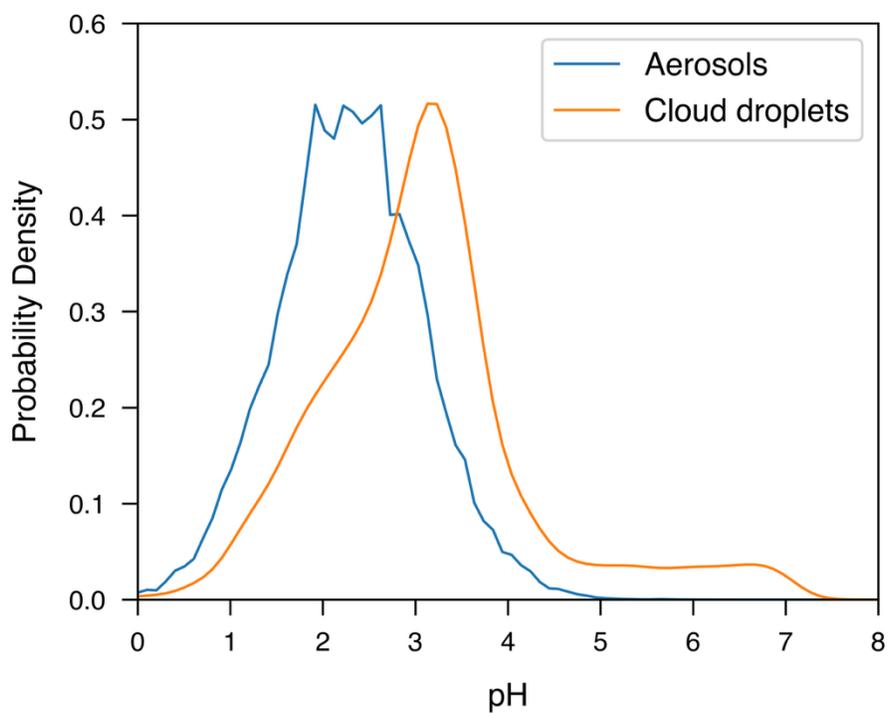


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165 **Figure S7.** Correlation network diagram of variables associated with sulfate formation (A) and IEPOX SOA formation  
 166 (B). The rate of change in per-particle sulfate mass fraction ( $dF_{SO_4}/dt$ ) has a strong positive correlation with the rate  
 167 of change in particle radius ( $dr/dt$ ). The total change in per-particle sulfate mass fraction ( $\Delta F_{SO_4}$ ) also has a strong  
 168 positive correlation with the diameter ratio. These correlations show that sulfate formation is dominated by in-cloud  
 169 oxidation of  $SO_2$  and not by dissolution of  $H_2SO_4$  in humidified aerosols. However, the rate of change in per-particle  
 170 IEPOX SOA mass fraction ( $dF_{IEPOX}/dt$ ) is negatively correlated with  $dr/dt$ , indicating that IEPOX SOA formation is  
 171 occurring as cloud droplets evaporate. Additionally, strong positive correlation between IEPOX SOA and number of  
 172 cloud cycles shows that multiple rounds of activation-evaporation lead to higher changes in per-particle IEPOX SOA  
 173 mass fraction.

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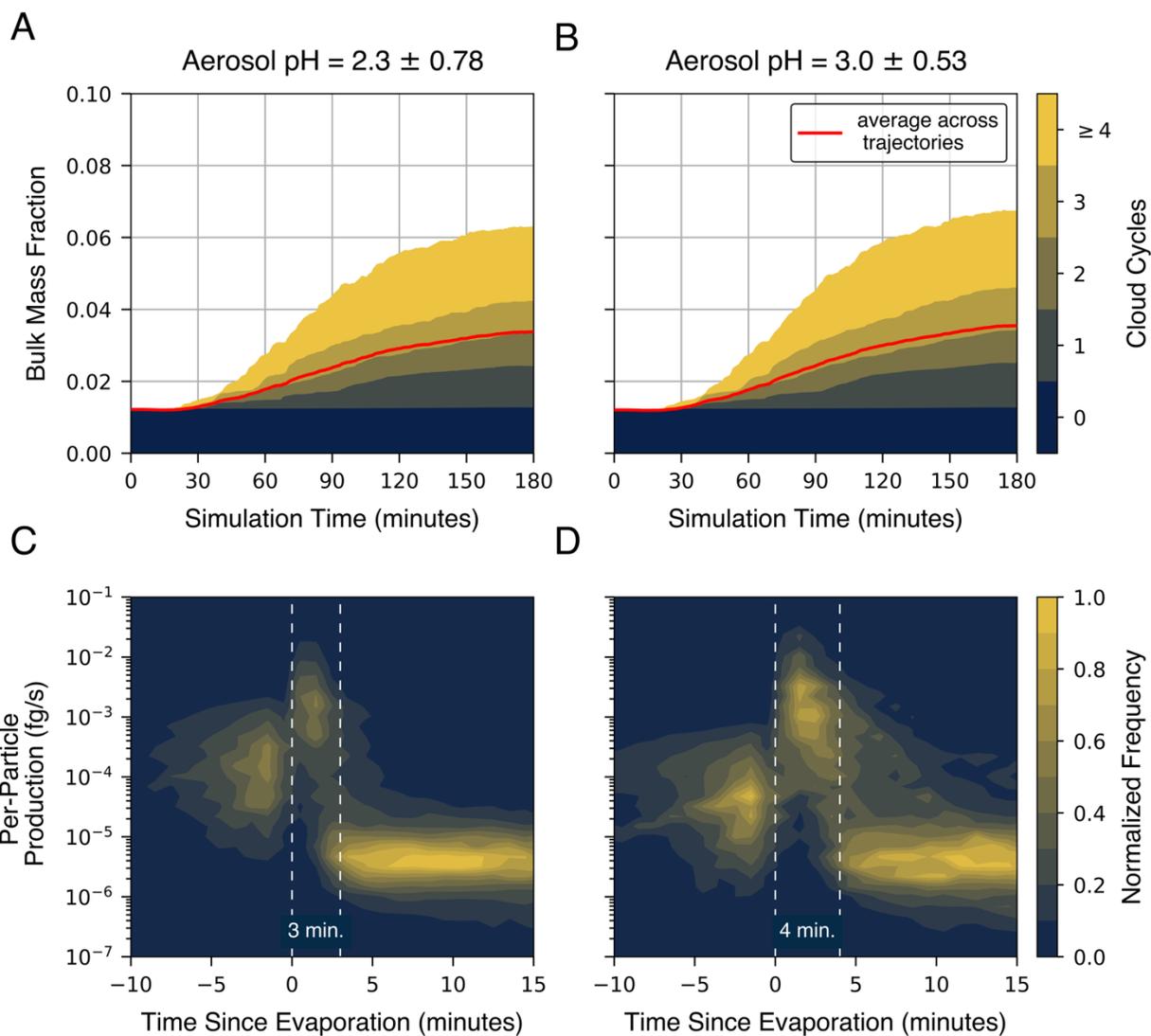
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177 **Figure S8:** Distribution of pH of aerosol particles and cloud droplets. The pH of aerosols agrees well with measured  
178 pH during the Spring intensive observation period<sup>34</sup> and cloud droplet pH is in line with estimates from global models<sup>53</sup>  
179 and cloud chamber simulations<sup>12</sup>.

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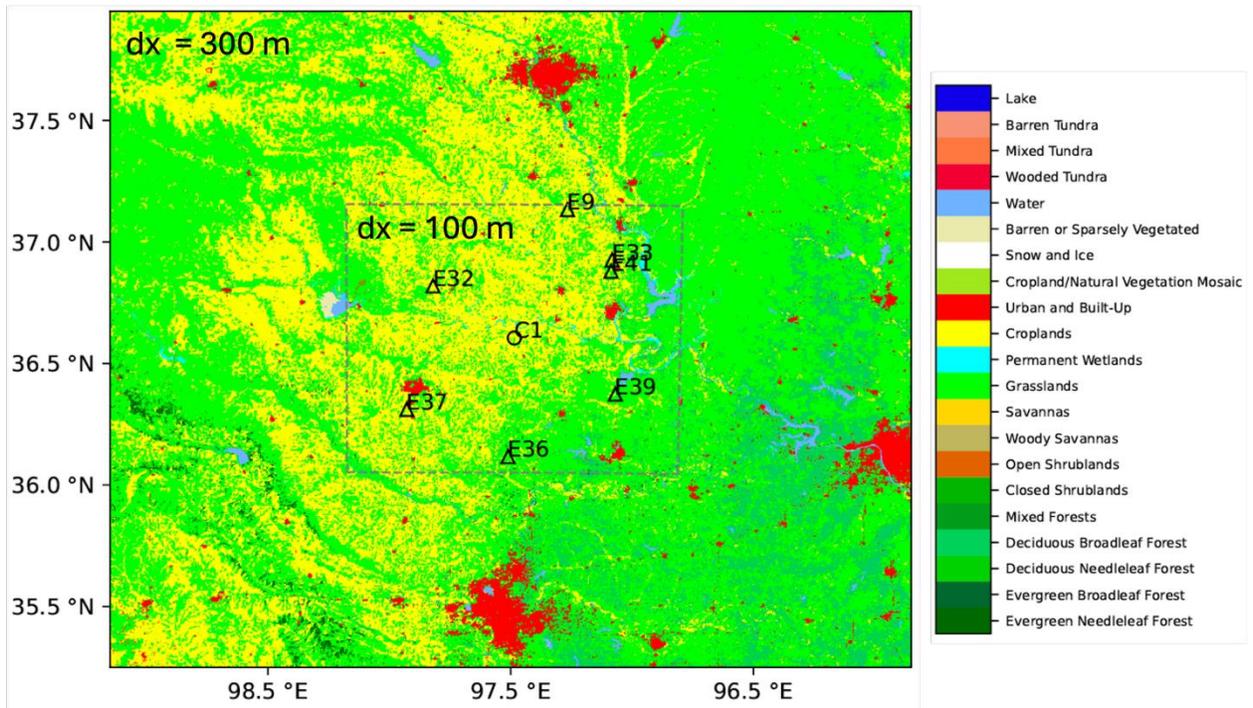


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183 **Figure S9:** Sensitivity tests showed that the simulated bulk IEPOX mass fraction was not sensitive to aerosol pH  
 184 (A-B). However, increasing the aerosol pH from 2.3 to 3.0 led to an 18% increase in the total IEPOX SOA mass  
 185 concentration. Increasing aerosol pH slightly lengthened the window of time when IEPOX SOA formation spikes  
 186 after droplet evaporation from 3 to 4 minutes (C-D), but does not significantly affect overall IEPOX SOA  
 187 production, leading to the observed increase in IEPOX SOA mass concentrations.

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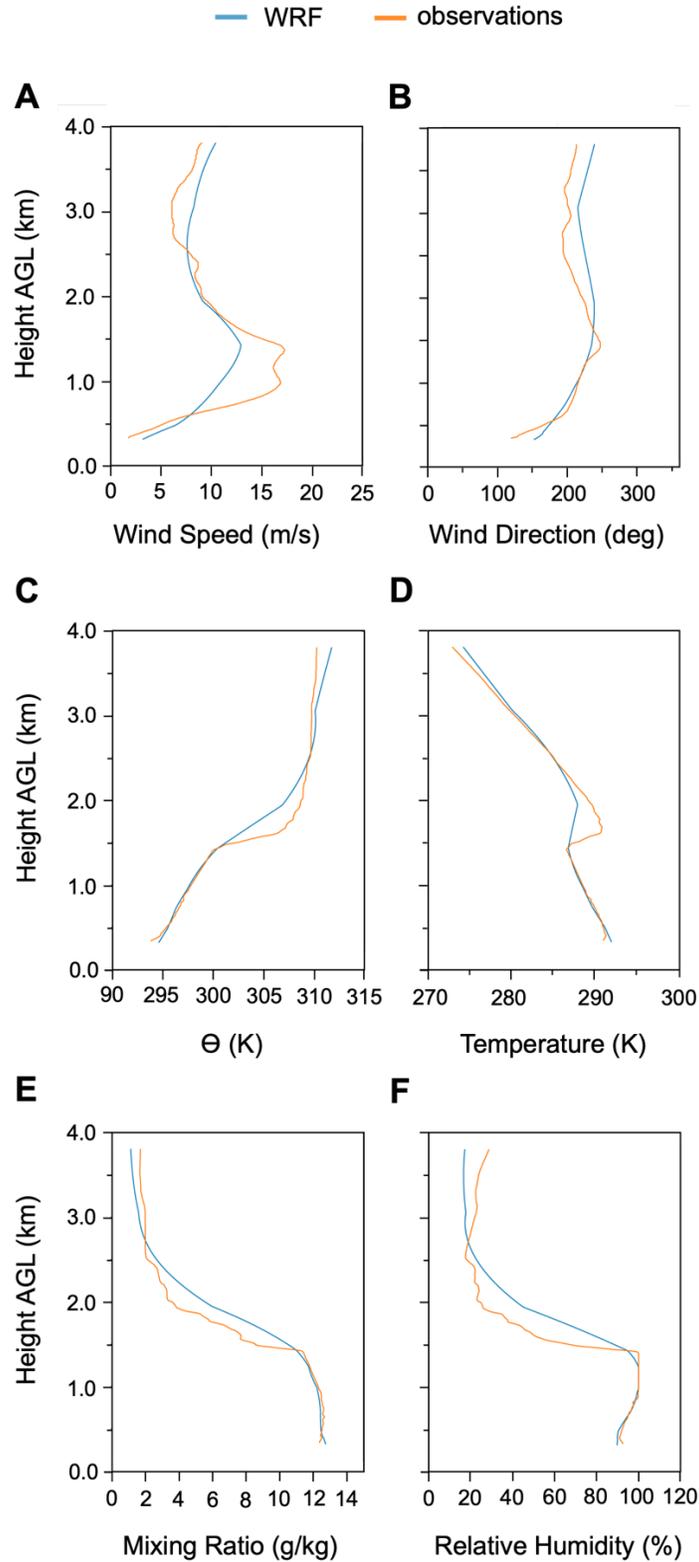
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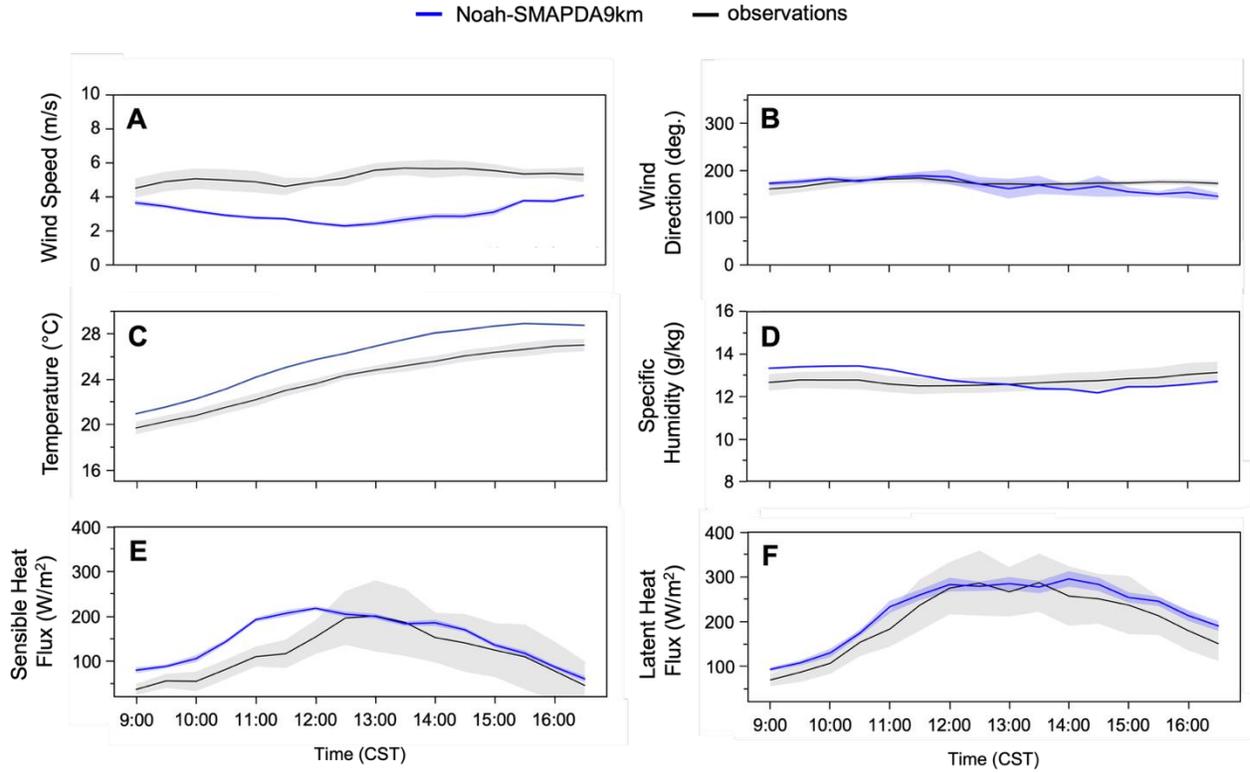
191 **Figure S10.** Outer (300 m) and inner (100 m) domain of WRF-LES simulations. Color represents the land cover type  
 192 within the simulations. Point C1 represents the ARM Southern Great Plains site and triangular points are used to  
 193 evaluate the wind speed, wind direction, temperature, and moisture in WRF-LES against observations.

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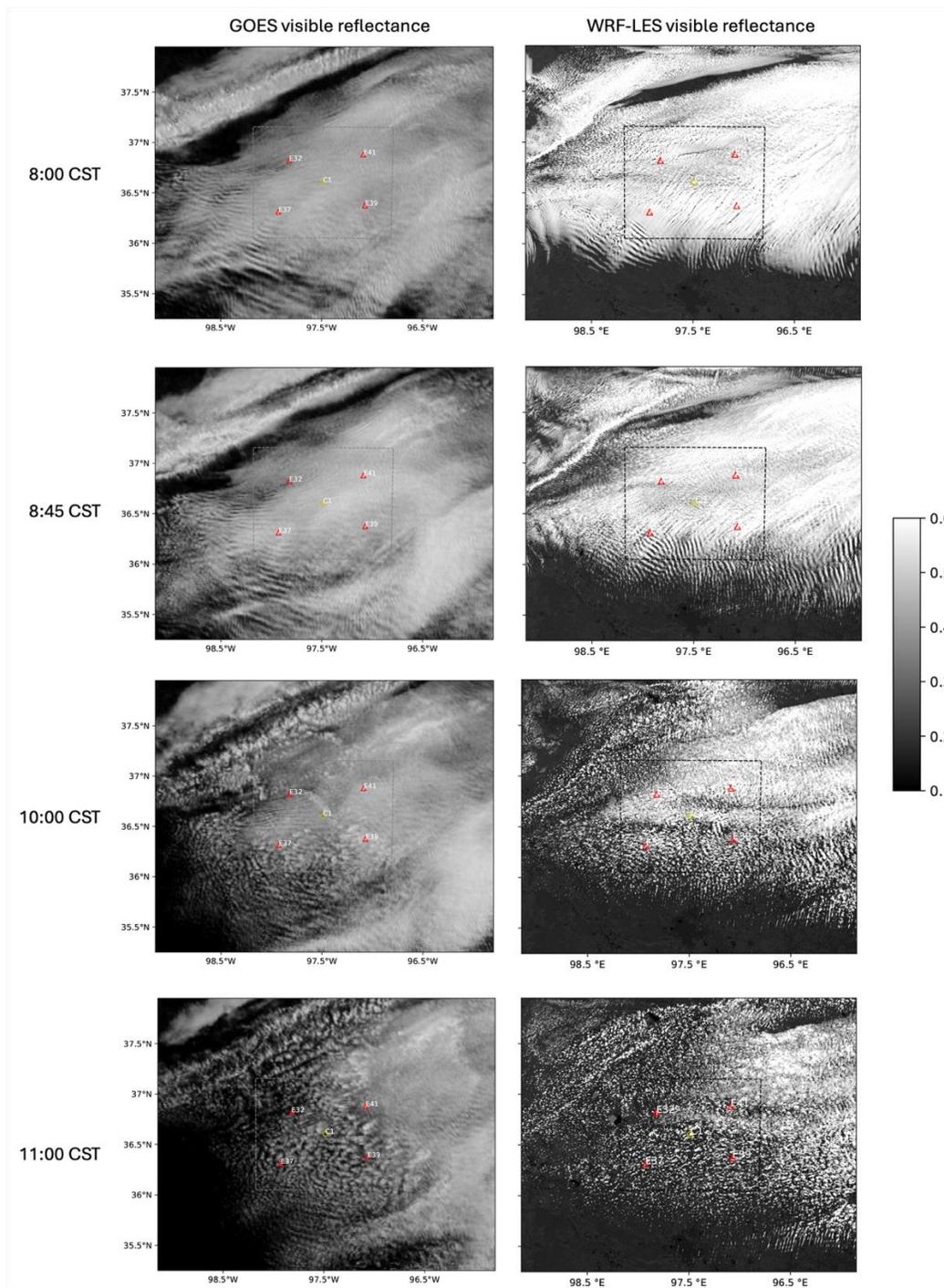
196 **Figure S11.** Comparison of WRF-LES initial wind speed at 12:00 UTC (**A**), wind direction (**B**), potential temperature  
 197 (**C**), temperature (**D**), water vapor mixing ratio (**E**), and relative humidity (**F**) compared with observations from the  
 198 ARM SGP site.



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201 **Figure S12.** 10-m WRF-LES wind speed (A) and wind direction (B), 2-m temperature (C), 2-m humidity (D), sensible  
 202 heat flux (E), and latent heat flux (F) throughout model integration compared with observations averaged across SGP  
 203 observational sites (triangular points in Figure S8).

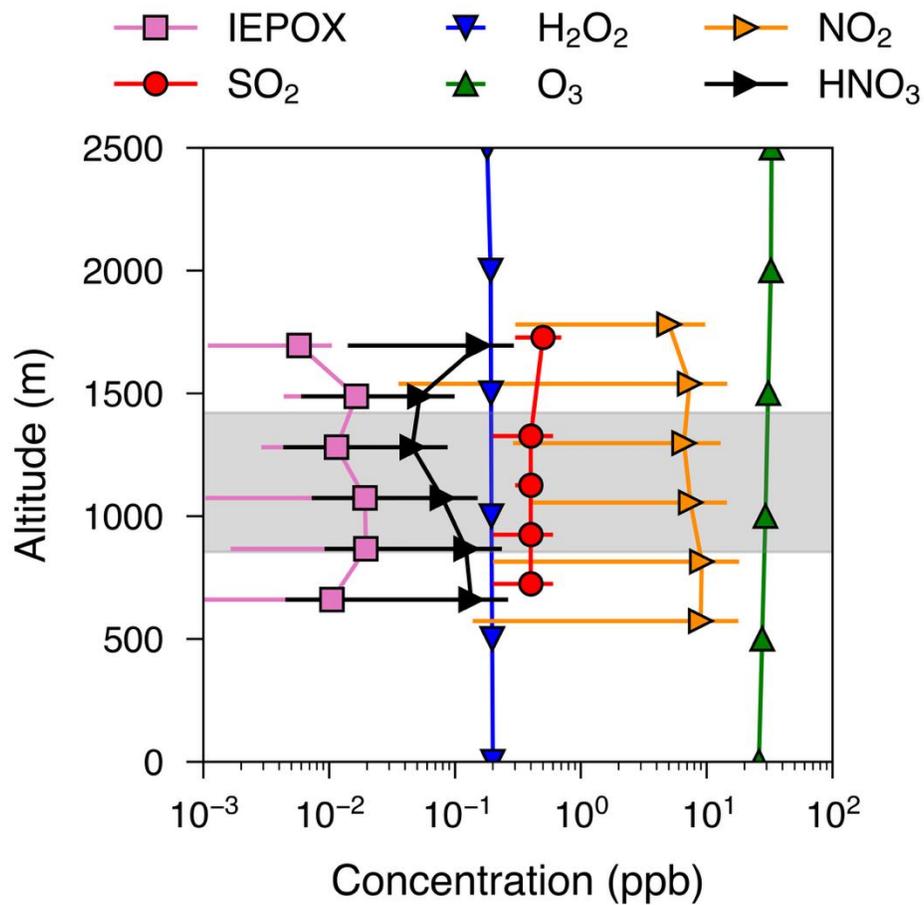
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206 **Figure S13.** WRF-LES visible reflectance (right column) compared with observations from GOES satellite (left  
 207 column) during model integration shows that cloud development is well captured in the model domain. The five  
 208 marked sites represent ARM vertical profiling sites. Aircraft sampling is performed within this region.

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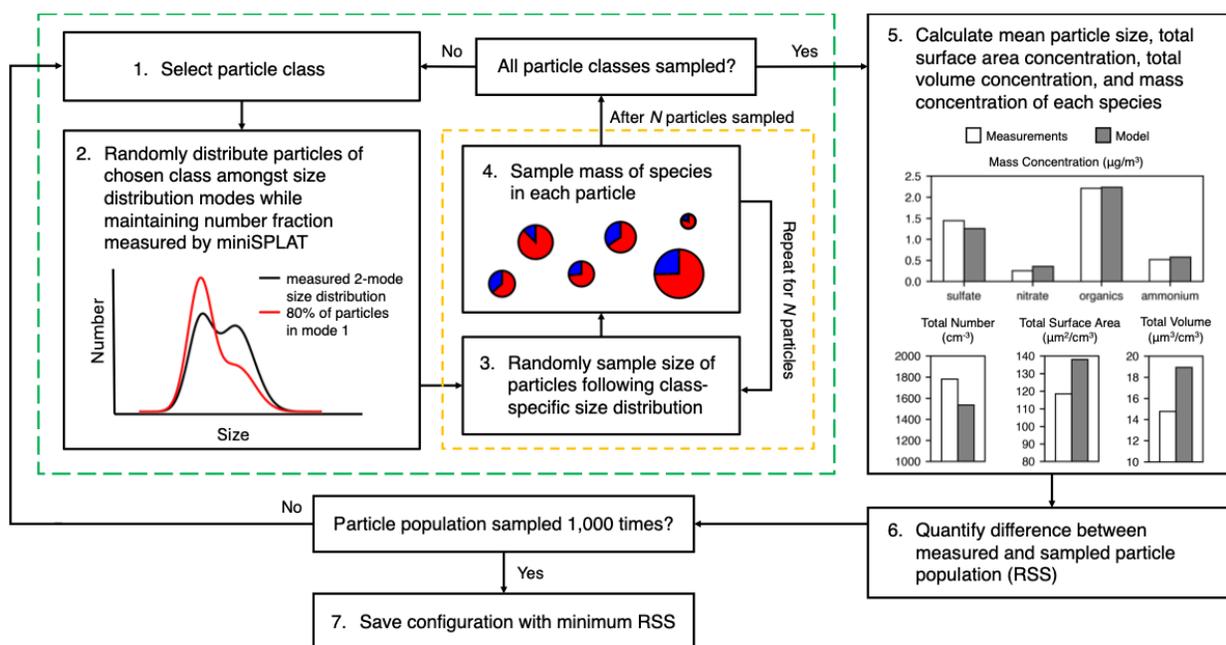


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211 **Figure S14.** Background trace gas concentrations as a function of altitude in LD-Chem simulations. the background  
 212 concentration of trace gases was interpolated as a function of the altitude of the air parcel at each time step. When air  
 213 parcels are outside the limits of available data, exponential approximations are used to extrapolate the trace gas  
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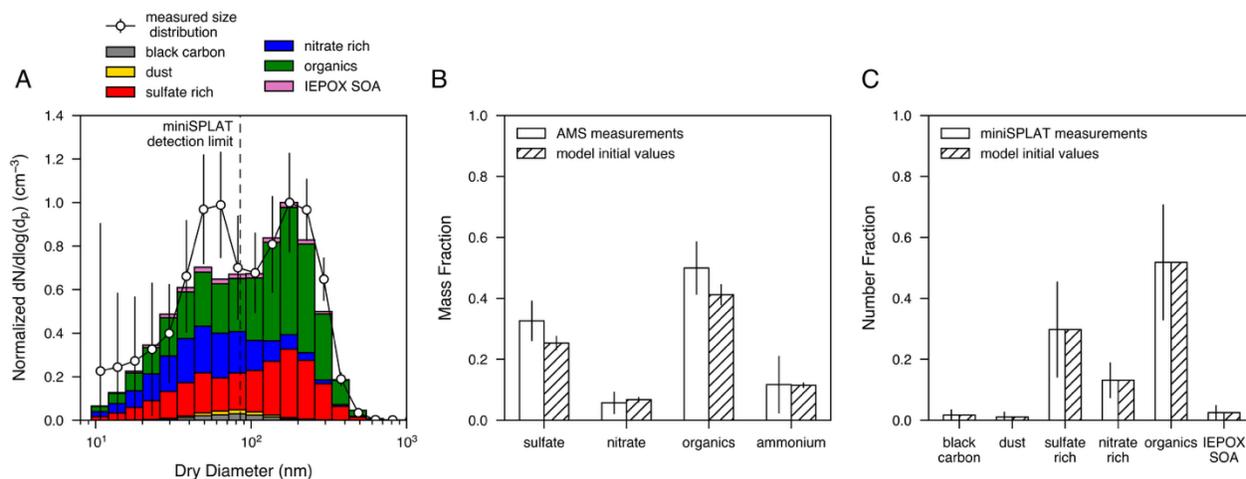
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218 **Figure S15.** Overview of model initialization procedure. The measured size distribution is firstly fit with an N-modal  
 219 size distribution function. The particles in each class are then distributed randomly amongst the modes of the fitted  
 220 size distribution while preserving the total number fraction measured by the miniSPLAT (steps 1 and 2). The size and  
 221 composition of each particle is then sampled (steps 3 and 4), and the properties of the sampled particle population are  
 222 compared to measurements (steps 5 and 6). This process is repeated 1,000 times and the particle population which  
 223 most closely matches the measurements is taken as the initial particle population in simulations. It should be noted  
 224 that this initialization procedure is performed for each air parcel, meaning that each simulation has a unique initial  
 225 particle population.

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228 **Figure S16.** Initial size distribution, mass fraction of chemical species, and number fraction of particles assigned to  
 229 each class. **(A)** Points show measured particle size distribution derived from a fast-integrating mobility spectrometer,  
 230 passive cavity aerosol spectrometer probe, cloud and aerosol spectrometer, and fast cloud droplet probe. Bars show  
 231 the average initial particle size distribution separated by particle class in simulations. The average initial mass fraction  
 232 of chemical species in simulations agrees well with aerosol mass spectrometry measurements **(B)** and the average  
 233 initial number fraction of particles in each class agrees well with miniSPLAT measurements **(C)**. The number fraction  
 234 of particles in each class is calculated using only particles with diameter  $\geq 85$  nm (miniSPLAT 50% cut-off point).  
 235 Error bars in each panel represent one standard deviation.

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