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## The evolution of aerosols mixing state derived from a field campaign in Beijing: 2 implications to the particles aging time scale in urban atmosphere 3 Jieyao Liu<sup>1</sup>, Fang Zhang<sup>2</sup>, Jingye Ren<sup>3</sup>, Lu Chen<sup>4</sup> 4 5 <sup>1</sup> School of Geographical Sciences, Hebei Normal University, Shijiazhuang, China 6 <sup>2</sup> School of Civil and Environmental Engineering, Harbin Institute of Technology (Shenzhen), Shenzhen, China 7 <sup>3</sup> Xi'an Institute for Innovative Earth Environment Research, Xi'an, China 8 <sup>4</sup> Faculty of Geographical Science, Beijing Normal University, Beijing, China 9 10 11 Correspondence to: Fang Zhang (zhangfang2021@hit.edu.cn) 12 **Content:** 13 Number of figures: 4 14

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17 Figure S1. Time series of the probability density function of hygroscopic parameter ( $\kappa$ -PDF). Red rectangles

18 denote clear days, and others are cloudy days.









Figure S3. Averaged diurnal variations in κ-PDF for 40 and 150 nm particles, particle number size
distribution, mass fraction of five organic aerosols and mass concentration of primary and secondary organic
aerosols on clear and cloudy days.





27 Figure S4. Diurnal variations of ambient temperature (T), relative humidity (RH) and PM<sub>1</sub> mass

28 concentrations on clear and cloudy days.

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Region	Model	Aerosol type	Aging timescale	Rreference	
global (model default)	GCM	carbonaceous Aerosol	1.15 days	Cooke et al., 2002	
	GISS-GCM	carbonaceous Aerosol	1.15 days	Chung and Seinfeld, 2002	
	GISS-GCM	BC	1 day	Koch and Hansen, 2005	
	TOMAS	carbonaceous aerosol	1.5 days	Pierce et al., 2007	
	GEOS-Chem	carbonaceous aerosols	1.2 days	Yu and Luo, 2009	
	GEOS-4	carbonaceous aerosols	2.5 days	Colarco et al., 2010	
	GFDL-AM3	BC	20 days	Liu et al., 2011	
	RegCM4	carbonaceous Aerosol	1.15 days	Ghosh et al., 2021	
south-western Germany	KAMM/DRAIS	soot	daytime: 2-8 h nighttime: 10-40 h	Riemer et al., 2004	
global	GEOS-Chem	carbonaceous aerosols	3.1 days	Huang et al., 2013	
central-eastern China			12 h-7 days		
	NAQPMS+APM	BC	12 m / emje	Chen et al 2017	
Beijing			2 h		
south Asia	RegCM4	carbonaceous aerosol	7.6-167.6 h	Ghosh et al., 2021	
Mexico City	ATOFMS	soot	3 h	Moffet and Prather, 2009	
California	SP2	BC	~4 h	Akagi et al., 2012	
Los Angeles	SP2	BC	~3 h	Krasowsky et al., 2016	
Beijing	environmental chamber approach	ijing environmental	BC	2.3 h & 4.6 h	Peng et al 2016
Houston			9 h & 18 h	1 ong 01 mi, 2010	

40 Table S1. The aging timescale of particles reported in literatures.

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