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Experimental and model estimates of the contributions from biogenic monoterpenes and sesquiterpenes to secondary organic aerosol in the southeastern United States

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10 S1. Experimental Procedure

11 The perturbation experiments were performed in July-August 2016. A 2m³ Teflon chamber 12 (cubic shape) (Fig. 1) was placed outdoor on the rooftop of the Environmental Science and 13 Technology (ES&T) building on the Georgia Institute of Technology (GT) campus, which is 30-14 40m above the ground and 840m away from interstate 175/85. The eight corners of the chamber 15 were open ($\sim 2"\times 2"$) to the atmosphere to allow for continuous exchange of air with the atmosphere. 16 All analytical instruments were placed inside the building, which is about 4-5m away from the 17 chamber. The instruments were connected to the chamber using 1/4" teflon tubings (for 18 measurements of gas-phase species) or stainless steel tubings (for measurement of particle-phase 19 species). The sampling inlets were inserted into the center of the chamber.

20 The perturbation procedure is described below and illustrated in Fig. A1. Firstly, we 21 continuously flushed the chamber with ambient air using two fans, which were placed at two 22 corners of the chamber. During this flushing period, all instruments sampled ambient air and were 23 not connected to the chamber. The flushing period lasted at least 3 hours to ensure that the air 24 composition in the chamber is the same as ambient composition. Secondly, we stopped both fans 25 and connected all instruments to chamber. Due to particle wall loss in the chamber, the particle 26 mass concentration in the chamber was lower than that in the atmosphere (Fig. A1), but the particle 27 composition in the chamber was almost the same as that in the atmosphere (Fig. S10), because the 28 particle wall loss mainly depends on particle size not particle composition (Keywood et al., 2004). 29 Due to the continued sampling by the instruments (~20 liter per minute, LPM) and the open corners 30 of the chamber, ambient air continuously entered the chamber, even the two fans were turned off 31 during this period. The main reason to turn off the fans is to increase the residence time of species 32 in the chamber. The main reasons to leave the eight corners of chamber open are (a) to supply the 33 chamber with atmospheric oxidants and (b) ensure that air composition in the chamber is 34 representative of ambient composition. Thirdly, after sampling the chamber for about 30min, we 35 injected certain amount of VOC (liquid) into the chamber with a needle, which vaporized upon 36 injection. We continuously monitored the chamber composition for ~40 min after VOC injection. 37 Lastly, we disconnected all instruments from the chamber, sampled ambient air, and turned on two 38 fans to flush the chamber to prepare for the next perturbation experiment. In brief, one perturbation 39 experiment can be divided into the following four periods: Amb Bf (30min ambient measurement 40 period before sampling chamber), Chamber Bf (from sampling chamber to VOC injection, a

41 period ~30min), Chamber_Af (from VOC injection to stop sampling chamber, a period ~40min),
42 and Amb_Af (30min ambient measurement period after sampling chamber).

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One to three experiments were performed per day. The interval between two experiments 43 44 was at least 3 hours, which avoids the interference of chamber content from previous experiments. 45 The perturbations were performed at different times of day to probe aerosol formation under 46 different reaction conditions. 0.2 μ L α -pinene or β -caryophyllene was injected via a needle into 47 the chamber. This provides initial concentrations of α -pinene and β -caryophyllene to be 14ppb 48 and 10ppb in the chamber, respectively, assuming they are well mixed in the 2m³ chamber. For 49 isoprene and *m*-xylene perturbation experiments, we tried a range of initial VOC concentrations 50 (i.e., 10-90ppb for isoprene and 10-540ppb for *m*-xylene). For naphthalene perturbation 51 experiments, we injected naphthalene by passing pure air over solid naphthalene flakes. We did 52 not observe OA formation from these three VOCs, regardless of VOC concentration. The possible 53 reasons of the lack of OA formation will be discussed in section S6. Due to no OA formation, the 54 details about perturbation experiments with isoprene, *m*-xylene, and naphthalene are not included 55 in Table S4.

56 In this study, we selected α -pinene and β -caryophyllene as representatives of monoterpenes 57 and sesquiterpenes due to the following reasons. Firstly, both VOCs are widely studied in the 58 literature. Secondly, they are the most abundant species in monoterpenes and sesquiterpenes, 59 respectively (Guenther et al., 2012; Helmig et al., 2007). Thirdly, the mass spectra of SOA from 60 VOCs in the same class generally share similar features. For example, the correlation coefficient (i.e., R) between the mass spectra of SOA from the β -caryophyllene and α -humulene is 0.97 61 62 (Bahreini et al., 2005). Still using the mass spectra reported in Bahreini et al. (2005), the R between 63 α -pinene SOA and other monoterpenes SOA (β -pinene, α -terpinene, myrcene, and terpinolene) is 64 larger than 0.9. Fourthly, in addition to the similar mass spectra, the time series of α -pinene in the 65 southeastern U.S. is similar to that of other monoterpenes, such as β -pinene and camphene (Xu et al., 2015a). Further studies with other monoterpenes and sesquiterpenes are still required to 66 67 confirm the representativeness of α -pinene and β -caryophyllene.

In the perturbation experiments, we aimed to produce small amount of SOA, which would not substantially perturb the composition of existing organic aerosol. The difference in OA concentration between "Chamber_Bf" and "Chamber_Af" is within 4 μ g m⁻³ (Fig. S11) and the 71 OA mass spectrum in Chamber_Af is almost identical to that in Chamber_Bf (Fig. S12). In the α -

72 pinene and β -caryophyllene experiments, the concentrations of inorganic species, including SO₄,

NO₃, and NH₄, during "Chamber_Bf" and "Chamber_Af" are shown in Fig. S11.

74 S2. High Resolution Time-of-Flight Aerosol Mass Spectrometer (HR-ToF-AMS)

75 The HR-ToF-AMS measures the chemical composition and size distribution of submicron 76 non-refractory species (NR-PM₁) with high temporal resolution. The details about HR-ToF-AMS 77 principles have been extensively discussed in the literature(Canagaratna et al., 2007; DeCarlo et al., 2006). In brief, HR-ToF-AMS samples particles through an aerodynamic lens and then impacts 78 79 the particles on a $\sim 600^{\circ}$ C tungsten surface. Non-refractory species are flash evaporated and the 80 resultant vapors are ionized by 70eV electron impact ionization. The generated ions are analyzed 81 using time-of-flight mass spectrometry. In this study, the temporal resolution of HR-ToF-AMS 82 measurements was set to be 2 minutes and the instrument was only operated in V mode (resolving 83 power ~ 2100 at m/z 200). Ambient filter measurements (with a HEPA filter placed at the inlet of 84 sampling line) were performed periodically to eliminate gas-phase interference on the particle-85 phase measurements by the HR-ToF-AMS. Ionization efficiency (IE) calibrations were conducted 86 every week with 300nm ammonium nitrate (AN) particles. A nation dryer was placed upstream of 87 the HR-ToF-AMS to dry particles (relative humidity < 20%), which eliminated the potential effect 88 of relative humidity on particle collection efficiency (CE) at the HR-ToF-AMS vaporizer(Matthew 89 et al., 2008). The composition-dependent CE (i.e., CDCE) was applied to the data, based on the 90 algorithm proposed by Middlebrook et al. (Middlebrook et al., 2012) The elemental ratios, such as 91 atomic O:C and H:C, were calculated based on the method in Canagaratna et al.(Canagaratna et 92 al., 2015) The data analysis was performed using the standard AMS analysis toolkits SQUIRREL 93 v1.57H and PIKA v1.16H in Igor Pro 6.36 (WaveMetrics Inc.).

94 S3. Positive Matrix Factorization (PMF) Analysis

Positive Matrix Factorization (PMF) analysis has been widely used for aerosol source
apportionment in the atmospheric chemistry community(Jimenez et al., 2009; Crippa et al., 2014;
Xu et al., 2015a). PMF solves bilinear unmixing factor model(Paatero and Tapper, 1994; Ulbrich
et al., 2009b)

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 $X = TS \times MS + E$ Eqn 2

100 X is an $m \times n$ matrix, representing m measurements over time of n species (i.e., m/z in AMS 101 measurements). TS is an $m \times p$ matrix, representing the factor strength (i.e., concentration in AMS) 102 measurements) of the p factors. MS is an $p \times n$ matrix, representing the source profile (i.e., mass 103 spectra in AMS measurements) of the p factors. E is an $m \times n$ matrix, representing the unexplained 104 residual by the *p* factors. PMF solves the equation by minimizing the summed least squares errors 105 of the fit weighted with the error estimates of each measurement. In other words, PMF represents 106 the observed organic mass spectra as a linear combination of a number of factors with constant 107 mass spectra but varying concentrations over time. PMF groups OA constituents with similar mass 108 spectra and temporal variation into different factors, which are related to characteristic sources and 109 atmospheric processes.

110 In this study, we performed PMF analysis on the high-resolution mass spectra of organic 111 species (inorganic species are excluded) of combined ambient and perturbation data. Each OA 112 factor has a constant mass spectrum throughout the study, regardless of ambient or chamber 113 periods. The organic data matrix and error matrix were generated from PIKA v1.16H and 114 processed in the PMF Evaluation Toolkit (PET) software or Solution Finder (SoFi) 115 software(Ulbrich et al., 2009b). m/z's with signal-to-noise ratio between 0.2 and 2 were 116 downweighted by a factor of 2 to reduce disproportionate effects on the results (Ulbrich et al., 117 2009a). We do not observe m/z's with signal-to-noise ratio smaller than 0.2. The errors of all CO_2^+ related peaks (i.e., O⁺, HO⁺, H₂O⁺, CO⁺, and CO₂⁺) were downweighted, to avoid excessive 118 119 weighting of CO_2^+ . The error of CHO⁺ (m/z 29.0027) was downweighted by a factor of 2 as its 120 error appears to be underestimated, possibly due to interference from its adjacent N_2 isotope ion 121 (m/z 29.0032). We utilized the PMF2 solver, which does not require a priori information and 122 reduces subjectivity. We performed 100 bootstrapping runs to quantify the uncertainty of PMF 123 results.

Fig. 2 shows the time series and mass spectra of OA factors resolved in the measurements. Five OA factors (i.e., HOA, COA, isoprene-OA, LO-OOA, and MO-OOA) are resolved. PMF solutions with more than five OA factors display splitting behavior of existing factors instead of providing new factors. Also, we note that PMF solutions with more OA factors cannot resolve one factor that is capable of representing all perturbation induced SOA. The five identified OA factors have been extensively discussed in previous studies (Xu et al., 2015a; Xu et al., 2015b; Xu et al.,
2017). Below, we describe the unique features of these OA factors.

- 131 The mass spectrum of hydrocarbon-like OA (HOA) is dominated by hydrocarbon-like ions 132 ($C_xH_y^+$ ions), which is similar to that of primary combustion emission species (Zhang et al., 2011).
- 133 The time series of HOA correlates well with primary emissions (i.e., black carbon and NO_x). Thus,
- HOA is a surrogate of primary OA from vehicle emissions (Zhang et al., 2011).
- 135 The mass spectrum of cooking OA (COA) is characterized by prominent signal at ions 136 $C_{3}H_{5}^{+}(m/z 41)$ and $C_{4}H_{7}^{+}(m/z 55)$, which is similar to the mass spectrum of unsaturated fatty acids 137 (Huang et al., 2010; Mohr et al., 2009). Cooking is an important source of primary emission in 138 urban sites(Xu et al., 2015a; Crippa et al., 2014; Huang et al., 2010), the concentration of which is 139 even higher than HOA concentration sometimes (Huang et al., 2010). We have clear evidence that 140 the COA factor at the measurement site has contributions from cooking activities. Firstly, the 141 diurnal variation of COA peaks during meal times (Fig. S6a). Secondly, in another dataset from 142 the same measurement site, the COA concentration shows clear increases on football days, 143 consistent with barbecue activities on campus and close to the measurement site. Thirdly, 144 compared to most of days during 2015 measurement (section S4), the COA concentration is higher between August 13th and 16th, 2015 (Fig. S6b and S6c). These four days are right before the start 145 146 of a new semester and thus there are many fraternity rush events (i.e., barbecue activities) on 147 campus. However, the COA concentration increases in 5 out of 6 β-caryophyllene perturbation 148 experiments and its enhancement amount is ~25% of LO-OOA enhancement (Fig. S5b), which 149 shows that COA factor could have interference from β -caryophyllene SOA. Thus, caution is 150 required when using COA factor as a surrogate for cooking emissions, especially for urban sites 151 influenced by air masses from forested areas.

Ample evidence suggests that the isoprene-derived OA (isoprene-OA) factor is related to the reactive uptake of isoprene oxidation products, isoprene epoxydiols (IEPOX) (Xu et al., 2015a; Lin et al., 2012; de Sá et al., 2016). Firstly, the mass spectrum of isoprene-OA is characterized by prominent signal at ions C₄H₅⁺ (m/z 53) and C₅H₆O⁺ (m/z 82), which is similar to the mass spectrum of laboratory IEPOX SOA (Lin et al., 2012). Secondly, the time series of this factor correlates well with 2-methyltrols, which are tracers for isoprene SOA tracers and likely formed from the reactive uptake of IEPOX. This factor is also referred to as "IEPOX-OA" in some studies (Hu et al., 2015; Budisulistiorini et al., 2013; Budisulistiorini et al., 2015; de Sá et al., 2017). The isoprene-OA factor contributes 18-36%, 34%, and 24% of OA in the southeastern U.S. (Xu et al., 2015a), Amazonia forest (Chen et al., 2015), and boreal forest (Robinson et al., 2011). Our perturbation experiments point out the possibility that isoprene-OA factor could have interference from α pinene SOA. From another aspect, the enhancement in isoprene-OA in these experiments suggests that fresh α -pinene SOA is not exclusively apportioned to LO-OOA, at least for the sites with isoprene-OA.

Less-oxidized oxygenated organic aerosol (LO-OOA) and more-oxidized oxygenated organic aerosol (MO-OOA) are named based on their differing carbon oxidation state. MO-OOA has the highest atomic O:C ratio, indicating that it is highly oxidized. LO-OOA has lower O:C ratio than MO-OOA. In the southeastern U.S., MO-OOA concentration peaks in the afternoon and LO-OOA exhibits a daily maximum at night (Xu et al., 2015b).

171 We examined the PMF residual (i.e., Q/Q_{exp}) in α -pinene and β -caryophyllene perturbation 172 experiments. As shown in Fig. S13a, in α -pinene experiments, the difference in Q/Q_{exp} between 173 "Chamber Bf" (before α -pinene injection) and "Chamber Af" (after α -pinene injection) is not 174 statistically significant. This suggests that PMF analysis has adequately accounted for the newly 175 formed α -pinene SOA. In contrast, in β -caryophyllene experiments, there is a clear pattern that 176 Q/Qexp in "Chamber Af" is larger than that in "Chamber Bf" (Fig. S13b). This likely arises from 177 the rapid change in the subtleties of OA composition caused by the newly formed β -caryophyllene 178 SOA. The larger Q/Q_{exp} in β -caryophyllene experiments than α -pinene experiments may be a result 179 of that ΔOA (i.e., the difference in OA concentration between "Chamber Af" and "Chamber Bf") is larger in β -caryophyllene experiments (average value 1.95 µg m⁻³ over 6 experiments) than α -180 pinene experiments (average value 0.98 μ g m⁻³ over 14 experiments). The behavior of Q/Q_{exp} is 181 182 not quite expected because the OA mass spectra after injecting β-caryophyllene are almost 183 identical to those before perturbation (i.e., R between Chamber Bf and Chamber Af is >0.99 as 184 shown in Fig. S12b). The larger Q/Q_{exp} in Chamber Af likely results in the unexpected decrease 185 in MO-OOA and isoprene-OA decrease after injecting β -caryophyllene. It is possible that the 186 larger Q/Q_{exp} in Chamber Af and the decrease in MO-OOA and isoprene-OA are a result of the 187 limitation of PMF analysis, that is, PMF assumes constant mass spectra of OA factors. After βcaryophyllene SOA formation in the chamber, in order to optimize the overall fitting residual, 188 189 PMF solver increases the concentrations of LO-OOA and COA, the mass spectra of which are

190 more similar to β -caryophyllene SOA, and decreases the concentration of MO-OOA and isoprene-191 OA, the mass spectra of which are less similar to β -caryophyllene SOA.

192 We would like to clarify that our conclusions are not dependent on if PMF has perfectly 193 accounted for the newly formed SOA, mainly because similar issues could also happen in the 194 analysis of ambient data. The β-caryophyllene perturbation experiments simulate a scenario when 195 there is a sudden change in the OA composition caused by an airmass encountering a plume or 196 change in OA sources due to shift in wind direction. Under these circumstances, PMF analysis 197 may have difficulty in accurately apportioning the OA sources. The simulated scenarios and the 198 observed PMF issues have been observed in previous studies. For example, in the Figure 9 of Sun 199 et al. (2016), an increase of hydrocarbon-like OA (HOA) is usually accompanied by a decrease in 200 cooking OA (COA) and verse vice. Another example is that figure 5 of Reyes-Villegas et al. (2018) 201 showed that a biomass burning plume leads to unexpected rapid variations in the concentration of 202 many OA factors on the time scale of minutes. Last example is that in the figure S10 of Milic et 203 al. (2017), the PMF residual during a biomass burning plume is orders of magnitude higher than 204 other sampling periods.

205 S4. Description of Measurements at GT Site in Different Years

In addition to the perturbation experiments in 2016, we deployed AMS measurements in summer of 2012, 2013, and 2015 (Table S5) at the GT site (Xu et al., 2015a; Xu et al., 2017). The same five OA factors are resolved and the mass fractions of these OA factors do not change substantially over the past 5 years (Fig. S14), suggesting relatively stable OA sources over the past 5 years near this measurement site.

211 The 2012 measurements are used for the pseudo-experiment discussed in Appendix A. It 212 is because the 2012 data set has the least interruption in ambient measurements. For example, in 213 2016, the perturbation experiments resulted in many gaps in the ambient measurements. In 2013, 214 AMS alternated sampling between ambient line and a treated sampling line every 30min (Xu et 215 al., 2017). Since measurements were performed around similar time of year each year and the mass 216 fractions of these OA factors remain relatively constant over the past 5 years, this justifies the use 217 2012 data set for the pseudo-experiment (i.e., this data set can be considered as representative of 218 other years).

219 S5. Community Multiscale Air Quality (CMAQ) Model

220 We use the CMAQ (Community Multiscale Air Quality) atmospheric chemical transport 221 model to simulate the SOA formation in the southeastern U.S. CMAQ is one of the most widely 222 used air quality models. CMAQ v5.2gamma (available at: https://github.com/USEPA/CMAQ) is 223 run over the continental U.S. for time periods between May 2012 to July 2013 with $12 \text{km} \times 12 \text{km}$ 224 horizontal resolution. We focus our analysis on the southeastern U.S., which comprises 11 states 225 (as Arkansas, Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South 226 Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia). 10 days of model spin-up are discarded before comparisons 227 are made with measurements. The meteorological inputs are generated with version 3.8 of the 228 Weather Research and Forecasting model (WRF), Advanced Research WRF (ARW) core. 229 Compared to previous versions of WRF, WRF v3.8 has major revisions in the vertical mixing 230 scheme (Appel et al., 2017). We also apply lightning assimilation to improve convective rainfall 231 (Heath et al., 2016). Anthropogenic emissions are based on the EPA (Environmental Protection 232 Agency) NEI (National Emission Inventory) 2011 v2. For the CTR June period, the primary 233 emissions from stationary source fuel combustion and industry are reduced to half in Alabama, 234 because previous studies showed that CMAQ overestimates the primary organic carbon in 235 Alabama during this period (Pye et al., 2015). Biogenic emissions are predicted by the BEIS 236 (Biogenic Emission Inventory System) v3.6.1. Carlton and Baker (2011) found that the BEIS 237 predicted isoprene emission is generally lower than that predicted by another widely used model 238 MEGAN (Model of Emissions of Gases and Aerosols from Nature). Also, Pye et al. (2017) showed 239 that increasing the BEIS predicted isoprene emission by 50% could result in a better agreement 240 with measured isoprene and OH at Centreville, AL. Thus, the isoprene emission is increased by 241 50% in this study.

242 The CB6r3 gas-phase chemistry is based (Carbon Bond v6.3, on 243 http://www.camx.com/files/udaq snowchem final 6aug15.pdf). The default organic aerosol 244 treatment in CMAQ v5.2gamma generally follows the scheme of Carlton et al. (2010) and Appel 245 et al. (2017) and is the same as that publicly released in CMAQ v5.2 and v5.2.1 246 (doi:10.5281/zenodo.1212601). A schematic of SOA treatment in CMAQ v5.2 is shown in Fig. 247 S2a. In brief, CMAQ v5.2 includes SOA formation from anthropogenic and biogenic emissions. 248 Anthropogenic precursors include benzene, toluene, xylene, long-chain alkanes (such as 249 heptadecane), and PAHs (such as naphthalene). Biogenic precursors include isoprene,

250 monoterpenes, and sesquiterpenes. An Odum 2-product parameterization is used to describe SOA 251 formation from these precursors. The SOA yields from monoterpene reactions with different 252 oxidants (OH, ozone) are assumed to be the same and are based on daylight experiments of Griffin 253 et al. (1999) The SOA yield from sesquiterpenes oxidation is parameterized in an analogous way 254 as that of monoterpenes (Carlton et al., 2010). Five different species of monoterpenes are lumped 255 into one species (i.e., TERP) according to U.S. emissions-based weighting factors. SOA formation 256 from the reactive uptake of IEPOX and methacryloylperoxynitrate (MPAN) (isoprene oxidation 257 products) onto aqueous aerosol is included. All semi-volatile OA in the model can undergo 258 particle-phase oligomerization to produce non-volatile OA with a 29hr lifetime. POA is treated as 259 semi-volatile. A parameterization to consider the SOA from semivolatile and intermediate 260 volatility organic compounds (SVOC and IVOC, the emissions of which may not be characterized 261 in current emission inventories) as well as other missing sources of SOA from anthropogenic 262 combustion (potentially due to underestimated yields) is implemented (Murphy et al., 2017b).

263 The "default simulation" applies the default treatment of SOA in CMAQ v5.2 with CB6r3 264 as discussed above. The "updated simulation" in this work improves the "default simulation" by 265 implementing the following recent scientific findings (Fig. S2b). Firstly, recent laboratory studies 266 reveal significant amount of SOA formation from monoterpenes (except α-pinene, denoted as 267 MT_{w/o α-pinene}) oxidation by NO₃ (Boyd et al., 2015; Fry et al., 2014). This SOA formation pathway 268 is currently missing in CMAQ v5.2 with CB6r3 chemistry. We implement the formation and 269 partition of organic nitrates from monoterpenes via multiple reaction pathways (i.e., oxidation by 270 NO_3 and oxidation by OH/O₃ followed by RO_2 +NO), which are extensively described in Pye et al. 271 (2015). In brief, the organic nitrates produced from $MT_{w/o \alpha-pinene}$ oxidation by NO₃ and MT 272 oxidation by OH and O₃ in the presence of NO_x are lumped into a new species: MTNO₃. MTNO₃ 273 is semi-volatile and undergoes gas/particle partitioning. The particle-phase MTNO₃ hydrolyzes 274 with a 3hr lifetime and converts to HNO₃ and non-volatile SOA (denoted as AMTHYD in model). 275 We note that the hydrolysis rate of organic nitrates is highly uncertain, which largely depends on 276 the structure of organic nitrates and particle acidity (Boyd et al., 2015; Jacobs et al., 2014; 277 Rindelaub et al., 2016). Pye et al. compared model performance using 3hr vs 30hr hydrolysis rate 278 (Pye et al., 2015). While the 3hr hydrolysis rate leads to better agreements with measured OC and 279 NO_y, it degrades the comparison with measured HNO₃. In this study, we perform sensitivity study 280 by using both 3hr and 30hr hydrolysis rate. 30hr hydrolysis lower the modeled SOA_{MT+SOT}

concentration by 2-17% for all sites compared to 3hr hydrolysis, but it does not change theconclusion of this study. Future studies are warranted to constrain the fate of organic nitrates.

283 The second modification is to update the SOA yield of the monoterpenes oxidation by O_3 284 and OH. In the default SOA treatment, the SOA yield of lumped monoterpenes oxidation by O₃ 285 and OH is parameterized based on daylight experiments of Griffin et al. (1999), which are under 286 high OA loadings and elevated temperature. Extrapolation of the parameterized yield to 287 atmospherically relevant low OA loading and lower temperatures (<310K) causes uncertainty 288 (Pathak et al., 2007). In this study, we update the SOA yield of monoterpenes oxidation by O₃ and 289 OH based on a recent study by Saha and Grieshop (2016). Saha et al. applied a dual-290 thermodenuder system to study the α -pinene ozonolysis SOA. The authors extracted SOA yield 291 parameters by using an evaporation-kinetics model and volatility basis set (VBS). The SOA yields 292 in Saha et al. (2016) are higher than laboratory chamber studies conducted in batch mode (Griffin 293 et al., 1999; Pathak et al., 2007), but comparable to laboratory chamber studies conducted in 294 continuous mode (Shilling et al., 2008) (Fig. S15). The SOA yields in Saha et al. are consistent 295 with recent findings about the formation of HOMs (Ehn et al., 2014; Zhang et al., 2015) and help 296 to explain the observed slow evaporation of α -pinene SOA (Vaden et al., 2011). In the updated 297 simulation, we replace the Odum's 2-product model used in the default simulation with VBS 298 framework. The VBS framework lumps species into a number of volatility "bins" that are 299 separated by one decade in saturation concentration. When laboratory data are available over a 300 wide range of loadings and/or temperatures, the VBS framework is more robust and better 301 represents SOA formation at atmospherically relevant OA loadings than Odum's 2-product model 302 with limited data (Barsanti et al., 2013). In addition, the new parameterization allows for enthalpies 303 of vaporization that are more consistent with species of the specified volatility. Specifically, 304 CMAQ has used enthalpies of vaporization of 40 kJ mol⁻¹ for C* of 15 and 134 µg m⁻³. Species of 305 this saturation concentration should have much enthalpies of vaporization on the order of 100 kJ 306 mol⁻¹ (Epstein et al., 2010). The new parameterization from Saha et al. allows for higher enthalpies 307 of vaporization that are more realistic. The properties of the lumped MT oxidation products, which 308 are grouped into 7 volatility "bins", are listed in Table S3. The simulation using modified SOA 309 treatment is denoted as "updated simulation".

The modeled OA concentrations from both default simulation and updated simulation are compared to AMS measurements. Considering that CMAQ predicts aerosol in 3 log-normal modes and AMS measures PM₁, the modeled mass concentration is adjusted to PM₁ based on predicted aerosol size distributions (Nolte et al., 2015). CMAQ predicts that PM₁ concentration accounts for about 60-70% of PM_{2.5} concentration. This fraction is similar to the finding in Zhang et al. (2017), who performed simultaneous measurements of non-refractory PM_{2.5} (using an AMS with a new PM_{2.5} inlet) and non-refractory PM₁ (using an AMS with a traditional PM₁ inlet) in Nanjing, China. The authors showed that non-refractory PM₁ accounts for about half of non-refractory PM_{2.5}. The PM₁/PM_{2.5} fraction needs to be further verified for sites in the U.S.

Fig. S16 compares the diurnal trends of AMS OA with CMAQ OA in both default simulation and updated simulation. The JST and GT sites are in the same grid cell in CMAQ. The modeled OA in default simulation under-estimates measured OA by 36-54%. The updated simulation predicts more OA, which reduces model bias and agrees better with measured OA. The model skill in updated simulation is slightly improved as the correlation between model and measurement is better (Fig. S17). However, the updated simulation still under-estimates OA, mainly in the afternoon, suggesting missing OA sources.

326 We further evaluate the modeled SOA from the oxidation of monoterpenes and 327 sesquiterpenes (SOA_{MT+SQT}) against LO-OOA. Based on the ambient perturbation experiments, 328 84% of fresh α -pinene SOA is apportioned into LO-OOA and the rest 16% is apportioned into 329 isoprene-OA (Fig. S5a), when the isoprene-OA factor exists. Thus, for the sites with isoprene-OA 330 factor, we only consider 84% of modeled SOA from the oxidation of monoterpenes by O3 and OH 331 when comparing to LO-OOA. We note that the fraction of MT SOA apportioned into isoprene-332 OA factor is uncertain, as this value is obtained at a specific site and in a specific month. This 333 uncertainty may affect the comparison between modeled SOA_{MT+SQT} and LO-OOA. More studies 334 are required to evaluate the interference of MT SOA in isoprene-OA factor in different atmospheric 335 environments and different seasons. The comparison between LO-OOA and SOAMT+SOT is 336 discussed in the main text and shown in Fig. S18, Fig. S19, Fig. S20, and Fig. 6. The SOA_{MT+SQT} 337 concentration in the default simulation (i.e., no explicit organic nitrate partitioning, Griffin et al. 338 (1999) photooxidation parameterization) is significantly lower than LO-OOA by 55-84% (Fig. 339 S20). In contrast, SOA_{MT+SOT} in the updated simulation (explicit organic nitrates and Saha and 340 Grieshop (2016) VBS for MT+O₃/OH) reasonably reproduces the magnitude and diurnal 341 variability of LO-OOA for each site (Fig. 6a). The model bias is reduced to within ~20% for most 342 sites, except for Centreville, Alabama (i.e., 43% for CTR June dataset). For CTR June, the

343 modeled SOA_{MT+SOT} is higher than LO-OOA by ~43%. The reason for the over-estimation of LO-344 OOA in CTR June is unclear. One possible reason is that CMAO over-predicts the role of primary 345 organic emissions and subsequent OA formation from these emissions, which serve as gas/particle 346 partition medium. This suggests that the parameterized potential SOA from combustion sources 347 (i.e., pcSOA) may need downward adjustment (Murphy et al., 2017b). The sampling site in CTR 348 is surrounded by forests and is far away from stationary point and area sources of primary 349 emissions. The marginal influence of primary emissions on the CTR site can be reflected by that 350 HOA factor is not resolved from PMF analysis. However, the grid cell containing the CTR site has 351 primary emissions. Pye et al. (2015) showed that the POA concentration is over-estimated by a 352 factor of 2 in CTR June when POA is treated as non-volatile. As gas/particle partition medium, a 353 higher POA concentration would enhance the partition of semi-volatiles to the particle phase and 354 hence increase the concentration of modeled SOA. The implementation of SOA formation from 355 SVOC and IVOC, mainly from anthropogenic emissions, further exaggerates the issue. Another 356 possible reason is that the parameterization of MT SOA formation does not consider photo-357 chemical aging. The laboratory experiments used to derive SOA yield parameters typically only 358 last few hours. The aging of SOA is likely to decrease the concentration after long time periods 359 due to fragmentation. In addition, previous work by Pye et al. (2015), albeit with different 360 meteorology indicates monoterpenes as well as their organic nitrates are overestimated by CMAQ 361 in the vicinity of CTR. Errors in nocturnal mixing may contribute to errors in SOA, particularly 362 from monoterpenes.

363 S6. Simple Box Model

While the focus of this study is to qualitatively understand which OA factors the α -pinene SOA is apportioned into, we also build a simple box model aimed at quantitatively estimating the fate of α -pinene and the SOA formation in the ambient perturbation experiments. The box model considers the oxidation of α -pinene by OH and O₃, dilution by ambient air, and particle loss to chamber wall. We solve the following two ordinary differential equations (ODEs) which are derived from mass balance.

$$370 \qquad \frac{d[\alpha-\text{pinene}]}{dt} = -k_{\text{OH}} \times [\alpha-\text{pinene}] \times [\text{OH}] - k_{\text{O}_3} \times [\alpha-\text{pinene}] \times [\text{O}_3] - \frac{F_{\text{out}}}{V_{\text{chamber}}} \times [\alpha-\text{pinene}] \qquad \text{Eq. S1}$$
$$\frac{d[\text{SOA}]}{dt} = Yield \times (k_{\text{OH}} \times [\alpha-\text{pinene}] \times [\text{OH}] + k_{\text{O}_3} \times [\alpha-\text{pinene}] \times [\text{O}_3]) \times 5.6 - \frac{F_{\text{out}}}{V_{\text{chamber}}} \times [\text{SOA}] - k_{\text{wall-loss}} \times [\text{SOA}] \qquad \text{Eq. S2}$$

371 Fout is the dilution rate, which is 20 LPM (estimated by sampling flow rates of all instruments). 372 V_{chamber} is the chamber volume, which is about 2 m³. k_{OH} and k_{O3} are the reaction rate constants for α -pinene + OH and α -pinene + O₃, which are 5.25×10⁻¹¹ and 9.40×10⁻¹⁷ cm³ molecule⁻¹ s⁻¹ at 373 298K, respectively (Jenkin et al., 1997). The constant 5.6 is to convert the α -pinene concentration 374 375 unit from ppb to µg m⁻³. *Yield* is defined as the ratio of the amount of SOA formed to the amount 376 of VOC reacted (Odum et al., 1996), which is assumed to the same for the oxidation of α -pinene 377 by OH and O₃. The ambient perturbation approach is potentially feasible to directly measure the 378 SOA yield under real atmospheric conditions. However, certain improvements are required, such 379 as measuring the concentration of precursor VOC and quantifying the dilution ratio. In the current 380 box model, *yield* is a tuning parameter. The model only considers the SOA formed from α -pinene 381 injected into the chamber and neglects the inflow ambient OA and α -pinene. Thus, the model 382 results can be directly compared to the LO-OOA enhancement amount.

383 We use the simple box model to simulate experiment ap 0801 1. The O₃ concentration 384 measured during this experiment is ~55 ppb. The OH concentration is not measured, but assumed 385 to be 1×10^6 or 2×10^6 molecule cm⁻³ as sensitivity tests. The particle wall loss is difficult to 386 characterize because the eight corners of the bag are open, so that the change in particle number 387 concentration can be due to both wall loss and ambient variation. Moreover, the particle wall loss 388 may vary between experiments because the wind affects the movement of chamber walls and hence the particle wall loss. Thus, we assume the particle wall loss rate to be 1×10^{-4} s⁻¹, which is 100 389 390 times higher than the loss rate of 200nm particles in the Georgia Tech Environmental Chamber 391 facility (Nah et al., 2016) and serves as an upper bound of loss rate. We find that the wall loss rate 392 has negligible effects on particle mass concentration, compared to other factors.

393 Fig. S21 shows the results from the simple box model. Although ~14 ppb α -pinene is 394 injected, most of α -pinene is carried out of the chamber due to dilution with ambient air (Fig. S21a). 395 Only 2-5 ppb α-pinene reacts with oxidants (i.e., O₃ and OH) after 40 min. For the reacted α-pinene, 396 roughly half reacts with O3 and the other half reacts with OH. Fig. S21a also shows the simulated 397 time series of SOA by using a range of yields. The box model can predict the measured 398 enhancement amount in SOA using SOA yields of 20-30%, which is consistent with yields 399 measured from laboratory studies (Saha and Grieshop, 2016; Shilling et al., 2008). Despite the 400 agreement in magnitude, the predicted SOA concentration peaks later and decreases slower than 401 measurements. Possible reasons include non-ideal mixing and/or existence of a dead zone in the

chamber. Assuming a 1.75 m³ dead zone in the 2 m³ chamber can reasonably simulate the temporal 402 403 profile of measured SOA (Fig. S21b) with a 10-15 % SOA yield. Roughly 10ppb α-pinene (10% 404 of initial concentration) is consumed by O₃. This amount likely serves as an upper bound because 405 a 10ppb decrease in O₃ concentration is not observed any experiments. Another uncertain 406 parameter in the box model is the dilution rate. Increasing the dilution rate would have the same 407 effect as increasing the volume of dead zone. The dilution rate is estimated to be 20 LPM as 408 determined by the pulling rates of all instruments. This dilution rate is better constrained than the 409 volume of dead zone since the instrument sampling rates are known. The reasons for the 410 discrepancy in OA decrease rate between model and measurements are unclear, but likely due to 411 a combination of dead zone volume and dilution rate. To understand this discrepancy, future 412 studies with adequate measurements of more species, particularly the VOCs, are required. The 413 improved experiments could provide better estimate of SOA yields under real ambient conditions. 414 Palm et al. (2017) attempted to quantify the SOA yields from the individual VOC by oxidizing VOC in an oxidation flow reactor (OFR) with ambient air. Note that the extra oxidation is added 415 416 in the OFR in Palm et al. (2017), which is different from this study. The discrepancy between 417 model and measurements in either the magnitude or the decrease rate does not influence the 418 conclusions in this study, as our focus is to qualitatively understand which OA factors the α-pinene 419 SOA is apportioned into.

420 The OA formation in perturbation experiments with isoprene or *m*-xylene is below the 421 detection limit of the experimental approach. This is mainly due to the low SOA yields or slow 422 oxidation rates of these VOCs (Ng et al., 2007). We used the simple box model to simulate the 423 perturbation experiments with isoprene and *m*-xylene. For *m*-xylene experiments, about 90 ppb is 424 injected. However, due to the slow oxidation rate of *m*-xylene, small SOA yield (i.e., $\sim 5\%$ in Ng 425 et al. (2007)), and large dilution by ambient air, it is estimated that only about 4 ppb *m*-xylene reacts with OH after 40min and produces ~0.15-0.30 µg m⁻³ SOA (Fig. S21c). For isoprene, 426 427 although its oxidation rate is fast, its SOA yield from non-IEPOX route is low (Xu et al., 2014; 428 Kroll et al., 2006). The isoprene oxidation products which form SOA are mostly second or higher 429 generation products. They are not formed in large amount in the relatively short perturbation 430 experiments (i.e., 40min). The lack of SOA formation in naphthalene experiments is probably due 431 to naphthalene was not adequately injected into chamber. We injected naphthalene by passing pure 432 air (1 liter per min) over the solid naphthalene under ambient temperature for 1 min. Due to the

relatively low vapor pressure of naphthalene (23.6Pa at 30°C) and rapid dilution in the chamber,
the injected naphthalene concentration could be very low.

435 S7. Laboratory Study on SOA Formation from α-pinene

436 We performed laboratory experiments to study the SOA formation from α -pinene under 437 different NO_x conditions in the Georgia Tech Environmental Chamber (GTEC) facility. The facility consists of two 12 m³ Teflon chambers, which are suspended inside a temperature-438 439 controlled enclosure and surrounded by black lights. The detailed description about chamber 440 facility can be found in Boyd et al. (2015) The experimental procedures have been discussed in 441 Tuet et al. (2017) In brief, the chambers are flushed with clean air prior to each experiment. Then, 442 α-pinene and oxidant sources (i.e., H₂O₂, NO₂, or HONO) are injected into chamber. Once the 443 concentrations of species stabilize, the black lights are turned on to initiate photooxidation. The 444 SOA generated by using H₂O₂ (i.e., NO-free condition), NO₂ (i.e., mid-NO condition), and HONO 445 (i.e., high NO condition) as oxidant sources are denoted as SOA1ab,H2O2, SOA1ab,NO2, and 446 SOA_{lab,HONO}, respectively.

- The experimental conditions are summarized in Table S2. We note that more than 100ppb a-pinene is injected in the experiments using H_2O_2 and HONO. It is because these two experiments were designed to produce large amounts of SOA for filter collection and offline analysis (Tuet et al., 2017). Considering that the OA concentration affects the partitioning of semi-volatile organic compounds and hence affects the organic mass spectra measured by AMS, we calculate the average mass spectra in these laboratory studies by only using the data when the OA concentration is below 10 µg m⁻³, which is similar to that in our ambient perturbation experiments.
- 454 The mass spectra of each laboratory-generated SOA (denoted as SOA_{lab}) are compared 455 against the mass spectra of α -pinene SOA generated during perturbation experiments (denoted as 456 "SOAambient"). The correlation coefficients (R) between the mass spectra of SOAlab and SOAambient 457 are plotted against the NO concentration during ambient perturbation experiments. We calculate 458 the organic mass spectra of SOA_{ambient} in the following way. Firstly, we scale the magnitude of the 459 OA mass spectrum during Chamber Bf period by the ratio of OA concentration during the 460 Chamber Bf period to that during the extrapolated Chamber Bf period. Secondly, we subtract this 461 scaled OA mass spectrum from that during the Chamber Af period. Thirdly, we normalize the 462 "difference mass spectra" to the difference in organic signal. It is important to note that this

463 calculation is only performed for the experiments with significant formation of total OA. The464 comparison results are discussed in the main text.

465 When comparing the mass spectra of SOA_{ambient} with SOA_{lab}, we note that the mass spectrua of SOA_{ambient} (when ambient NO is > 0.3ppb) generally agree better with that of 466 467 SOA_{lab.NO2} than SOA_{lab.HON0}. This suggest that the laboratory experiment using NO₂+hv as oxidant 468 source is more representative of ambient high NO conditions than HONO+hv. This is likely due 469 to the following reasons. Firstly, from the simple box model, we estimate that about half of α -470 pinene reacts with OH and the other half reacts with O₃ in the perturbation experiments, which is 471 similar to that in laboratory experiments with NO₂+hv (Table S2). In contrast, the fate of α -pinene 472 is dominated by OH in HONO+hv experiment. Secondly, the NO_x level and NO/NO_2 ratio in 473 perturbation experiments are more similar to those in the NO₂+hv experiment than the HONO 474 experiment. For example, the NO/NO₂ ratio in α -pinene perturbation experiments ranges between 475 0.03 and 0.4, which is closer to the range in NO₂+hv experiment (0.1-0.4) than in HONO 476 experiment (0.4-0.9). Thirdly, while both perturbation experiments and NO₂+hv experiment have 477 high RH (>40%), the RH in HONO+hv experiment is <5%. However, we expect the effects of 478 different RH on the mass spectra comparison are much smaller compared to the first two reasons.

479 **S8. Estimate the Fate of RO₂ in the Atmosphere**

The plateaus in Fig. 7 indicate that when NO is ~0.3ppb, RO₂+NO is the dominant fate of
RO₂. This NO level (~0.3ppb) is consistent with the NO level required to dominate the fate of RO₂,
as calculated by using previously measured HO₂ and kinetic rate constants.

483 According to Master Chemical Mechanism (MCM v3.3) (Jenkin et al., 1997; Saunders et 484 al., 2003), the reaction rates of RO₂+NO and RO₂+HO₂ are listed below.

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$$k_{RO_2+NO} = 2.7e-12 \times exp(360/T) = 9.04e-12 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molecule}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1} (@298\text{K})$$
$$k_{RO_2+HO_2} = 2.91e-13 \times exp(1300/T) = 2.28e-11 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molecule}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1} (@298\text{K})$$

- The afternoon HO₂ concentration is about 5-20ppt from previous measurements at the same site during a similar period (Sanchez et al., 2016; Chen et al., 2017). Thus, when the NO concentration is about 0.1-0.5 ppb, RO₂+NO would be 10 times faster than RO₂+HO₂ and NO dominates the fate of RO₂. This is similar to the estimated 0.2-0.3 ppb based on the comparison in organic mass
- 490 spectra between SOA_{ambient} and SOA_{lab}.

491 S9. More discussions on β-caryophyllene perturbation experiments.

492 One interesting finding in β -caryophyllene perturbation experiments is that the LO-OOA 493 enhancement amount is greatly affected by NO₂ level. More LO-OOA is formed in perturbation 494 experiments with a lower NO₂ level (Fig. S22f), when the O₃ concentration and injection time are 495 similar. The reason for this NO₂ effect on β-caryophyllene SOA is currently unknown. Considering 496 that the major fate of β -caryophyllene in the ambient perturbation experiments is reaction with O₃ 497 (i.e., lifetimes of β -carvophyllene with respect to 40ppb O₃ and 10⁶ molecules cm⁻³ OH are 1.5min 498 and 80min, respectively), the NO₂ effect may be related to Criegee radical, which is the most 499 important intermediate radical in ozonolysis of alkenes. In terms of the roles of NOx in SOA 500 formation from β -caryophyllene, previous laboratory studies have mostly focused on the β -501 caryophyllene oxidation by OH (Tasoglou and Pandis, 2015) instead of oxidation by O₃ (i.e., the 502 atmospherically dominant fate of β -caryophyllene). Thus, the effects of NO₂ on SOA formation 503 from the ozonolysis of β -caryophyllene warrants future studies.

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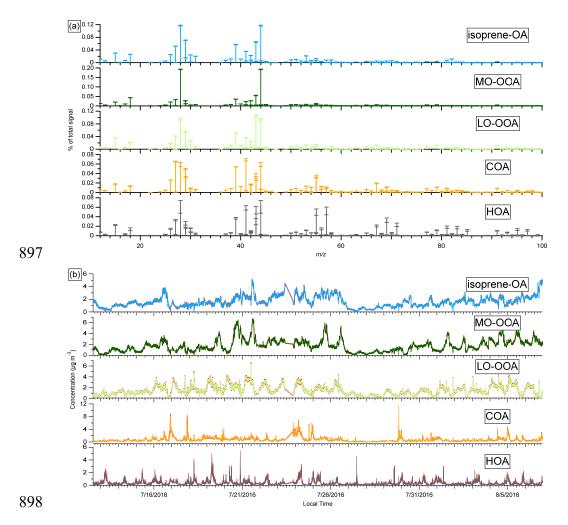
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899Fig. S1. PMF results from bootstrapping analysis. (a) Average mass spectra (sticks) with 1- σ error900bars (caps). (b) Average time series and 1- σ error bars (red).

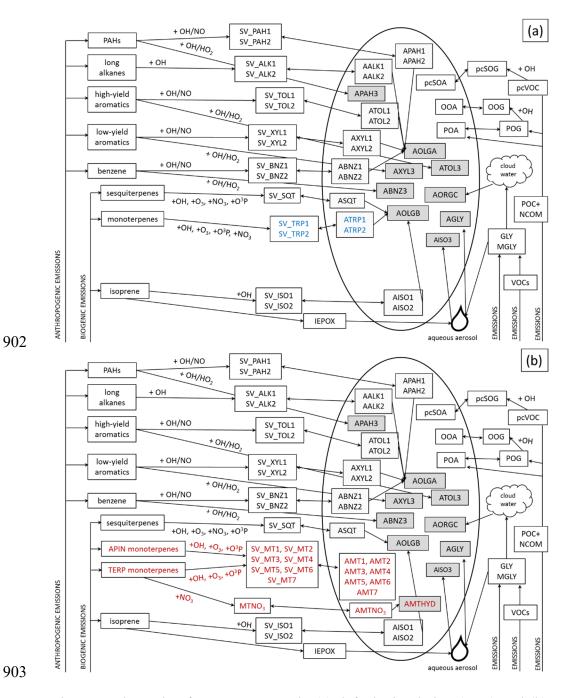
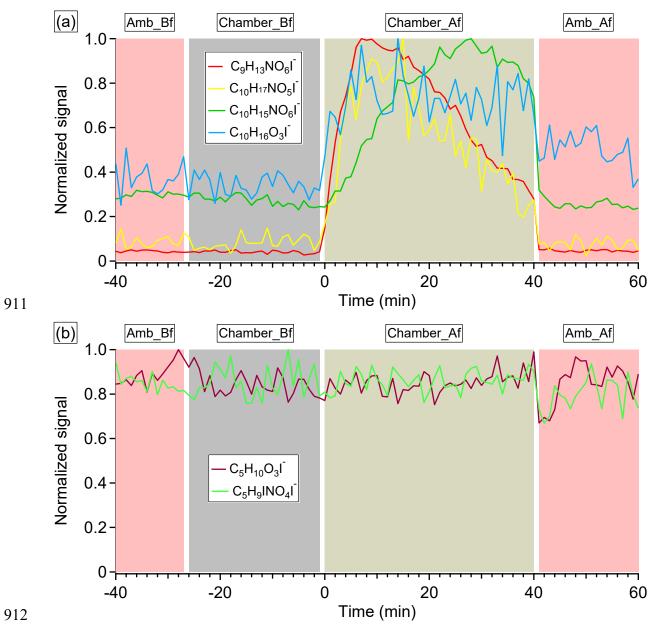
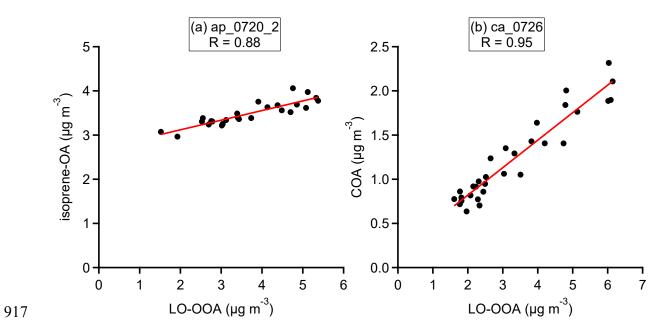


Fig. S2. Schematic of SOA treatment in (a) default simulation (v5.2) and (b) updated simulation in CMAQ. See Pye et al. (2017) for a description of the traditional and aqueous aerosol SOA systems. See Murphy et al. (2017) for a description of the semivolatile POA (POA, POG), oxidized POA vapors (OOA, OOG) and potential SOA from combustion sources (pcSOA) system. See Pye et al. (2015) for MTNO3 formation and hydrolysis. In the default simulation, species in blue were not formed in the updated simulation. In the updated simulation, species in red are different from the default simulation.



913 Fig. S3. Time series of gas-phase species detected by HR-ToF-CIMS using I⁻ as reagent ion in 914 experiment ap_0718_1. Panel (a) includes four major known α -pinene oxidation products. Panel 915 (b) includes two major known isoprene oxidation products. The signal is normalized to I⁻ and then 916 normalized to the maximum signal in the time window shown in the figure.



918Fig. S4. (a) The correlation between isoprene-OA and LO-OOA in the "Chamber_Af" period of919one α-pinene perturbation experiment (i.e., ap_0720_2). (b) The correlation between COA and920LO-OOA in the "Chamber_Af" period of one β-caryophyllene experiment (i.e., ca_0726).

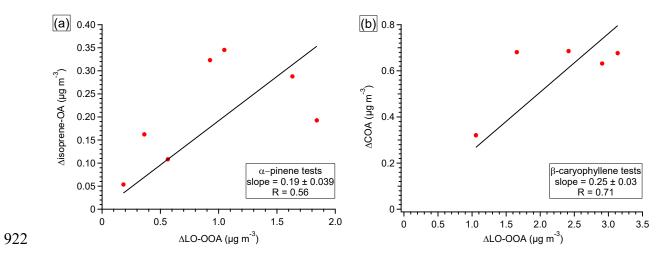


Fig. S5. (a) The relationship between isoprene-OA enhancement and LO-OOA enhancement in αpinene perturbation experiments. (b) The relationship between COA enhancement and LO-OOA enhancement in β-caryophyllene perturbation experiments. The slopes are from orthogonal fit. The R is from least square fit. The intercepts are forced to be zero. In α-pinene experiments, isoprene-OA enhancement is 19% of LO-OOA enhancement. Thus, every 1 µg m⁻³ SOA is formed from αpinene oxidation, 0.16 µg m⁻³ [i.e., 0.19/(1+0.19)] is apportioned into isoprene-OA factor and the rest to LO-OOA factor.

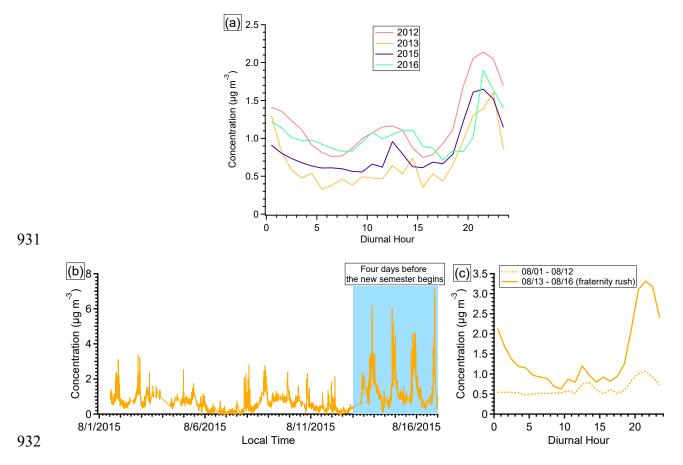
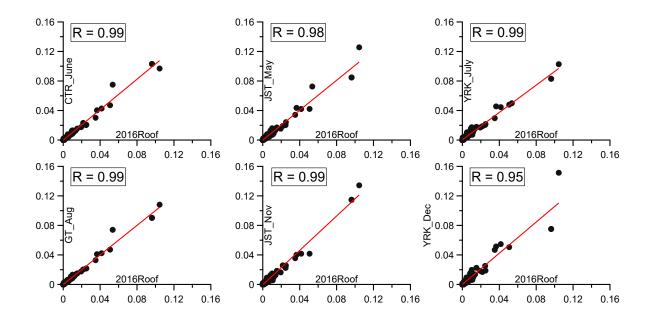


Fig. S6. (a) The diurnal trends of COA in ambient measurements conducted in different years
(2012 to 2016). (b) Time series of COA in 2015 measurements. (c) Diurnal trends of COA during
two periods of measurements in 2015 (08/01-08/21 and 08/13-08/16).



938 Fig. S7. The correlation plot between the mass spectrum of LO-OOA for 2016 rooflab perturbation

939 study and the LO-OOA obtained in other six ambient datasets in the southeastern U.S.

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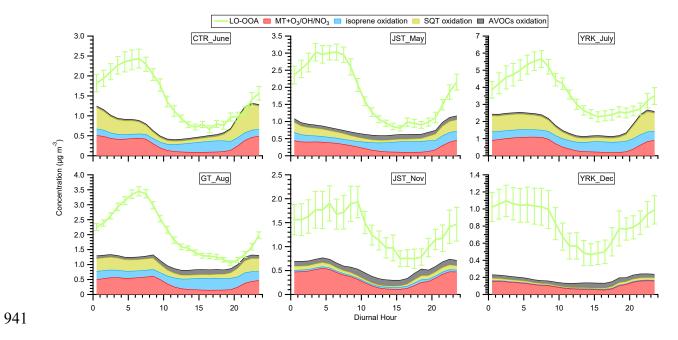
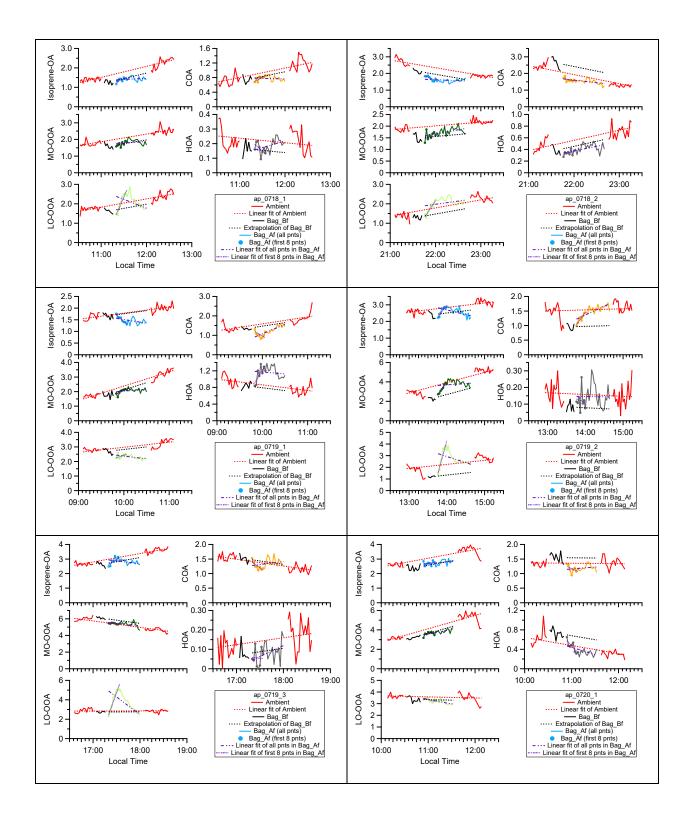
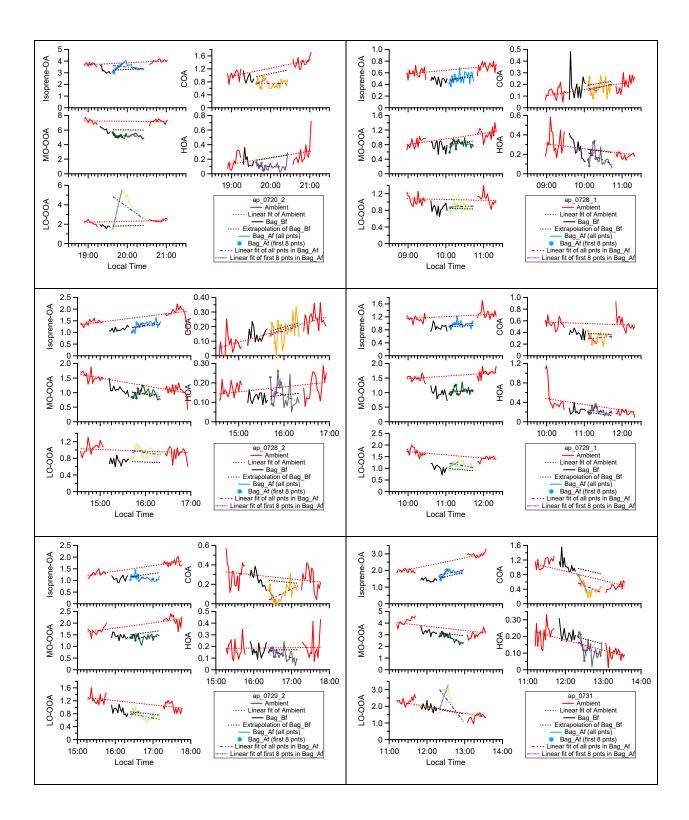


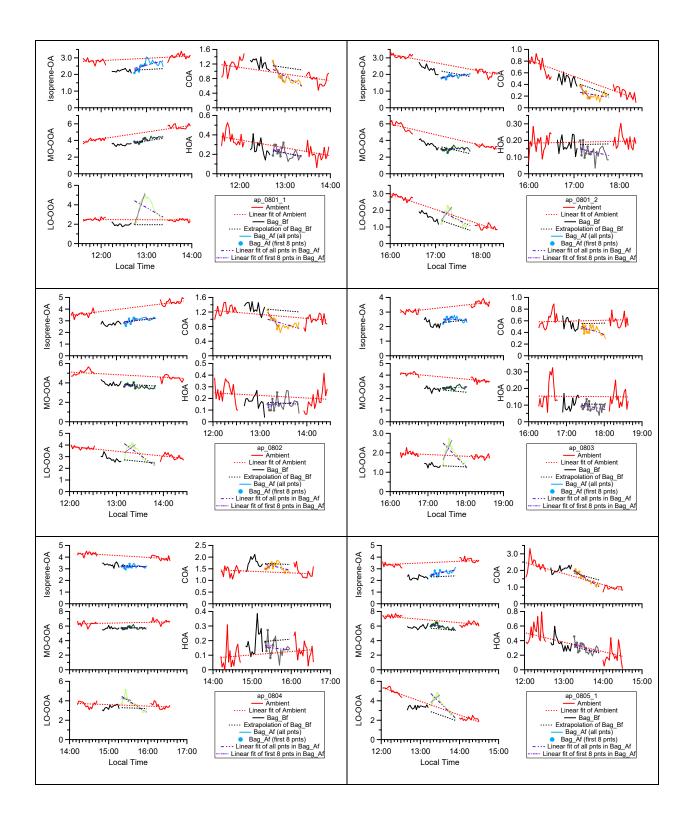
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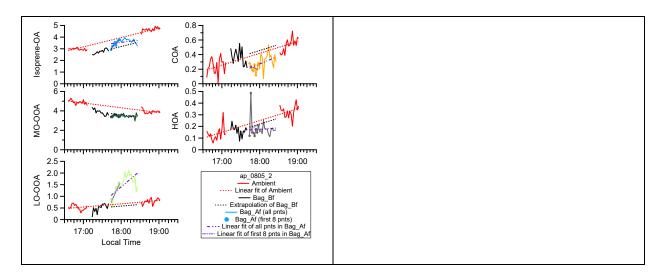
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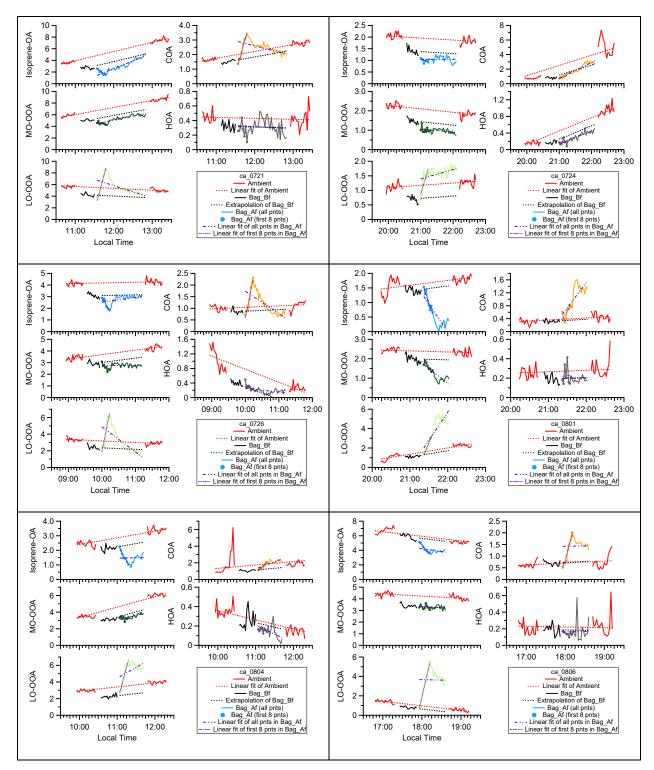




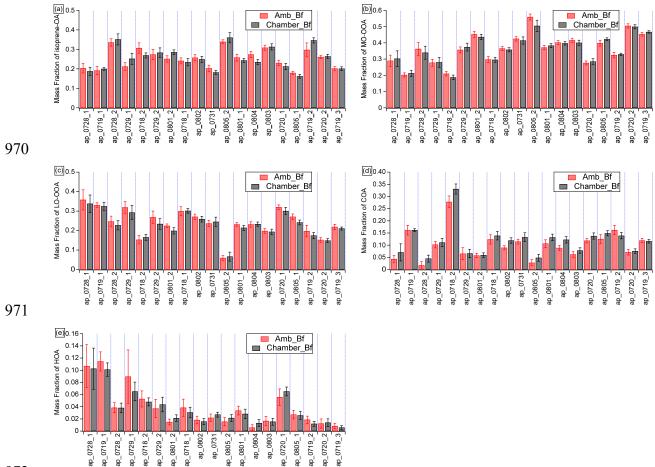


948 Fig. S9(a). Time series of OA factors in each α -pinene experiment.





968 Fig. S9(b). Time series of OA factors in each β -caryophyllene experiment.



973 Fig. S10. The average mass fraction of OA factors in Amb_Bf and Chamber_Bf periods in α -974 pinene experiments. The error bars represent the standard deviation. For most experiments, the 975 average mass fractions in these two periods are not statistically significantly different, suggesting 976 that the overall OA compositions are not statistically significantly different between two periods.

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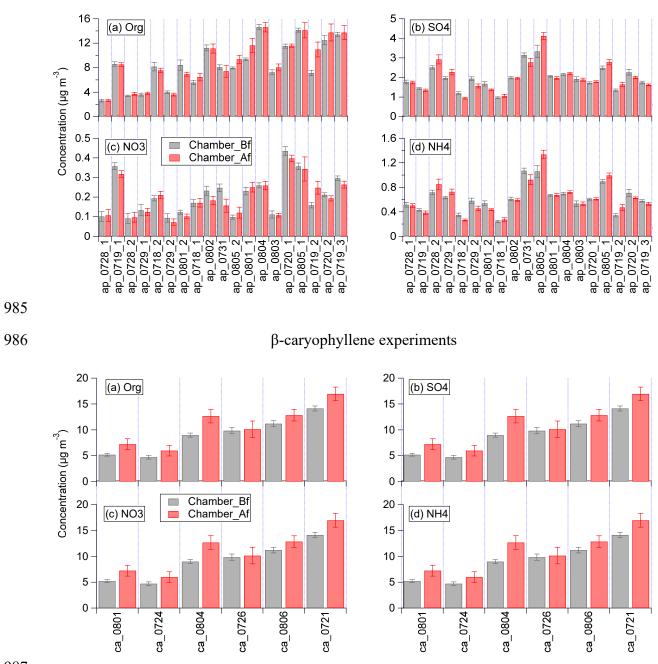
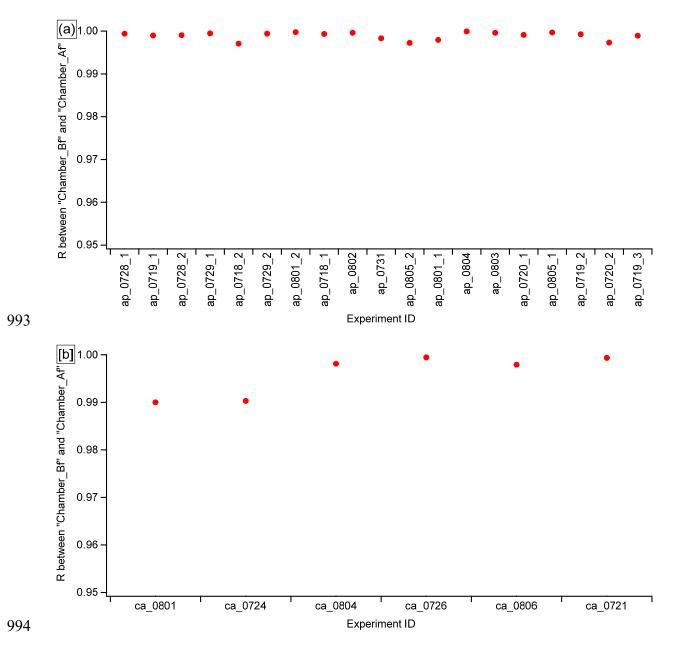
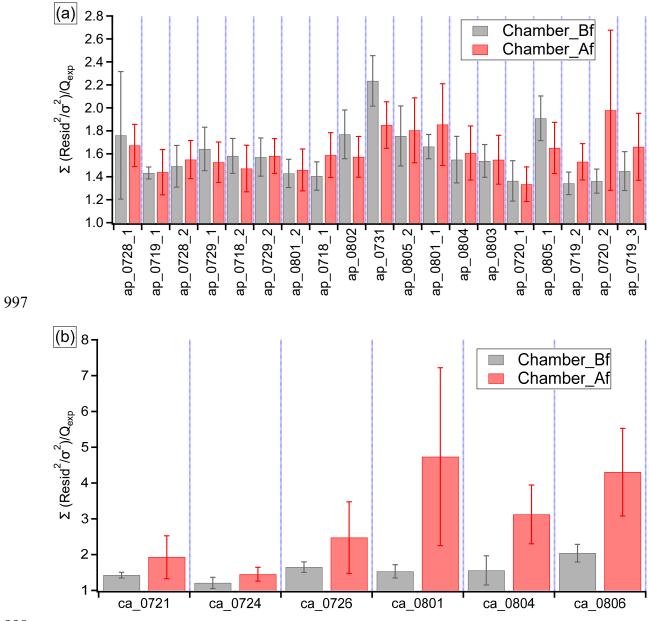


Fig. S11. The comparison of (a) Org, (b) SO₄, (c) NO₃, and (d) NH₄ concentrations between "Chamber_Bf" and "Chamber_Af" for α -pinene and β -caryophyllene perturbation experiments. Note that the concentrations reported in these figures are simply from average over each period, without any statistical analysis discussed in Appendix A. Thus, the differences between two periods are highly affected by ambient variation.



995Fig. S12. The correlation coefficient by comparing the OA mass spectra between "Chamber_Bf"996and "Chamber_Af" in (a) α-pinene and (b) β-caryophyllene perturbation experiments.



999Fig. S13. The PMF residual (Q/Q_{exp}) during "Chamber_Bf" and "Chamber_Af" periods for (a) α-1000pinene and (b) β-caryophyllene perturbation experiments.

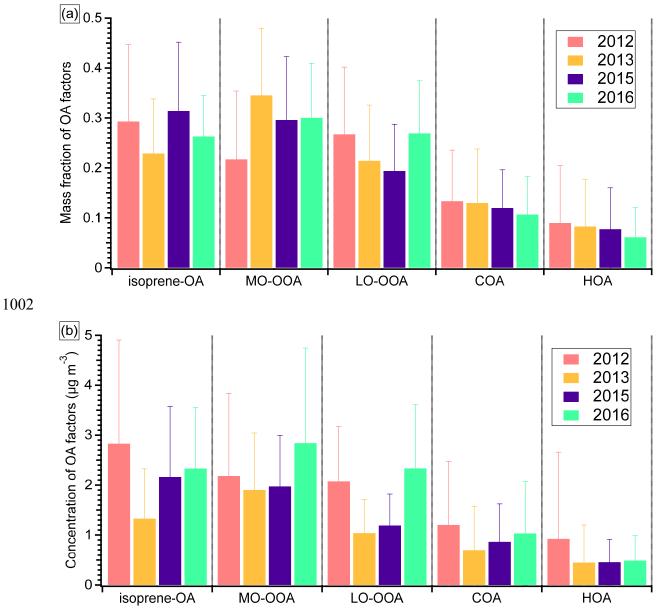


Fig. S14. The mass fraction of OA factors in ambient measurements conducted in different years(2012 to 2016).

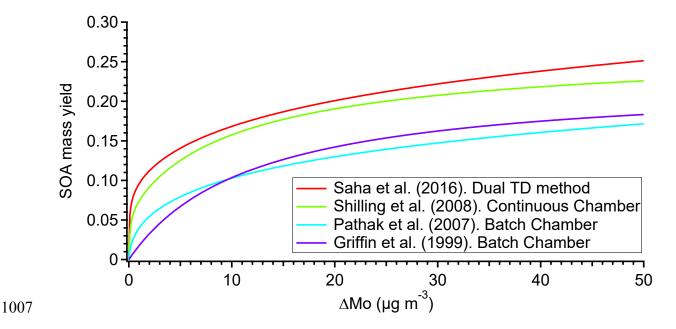
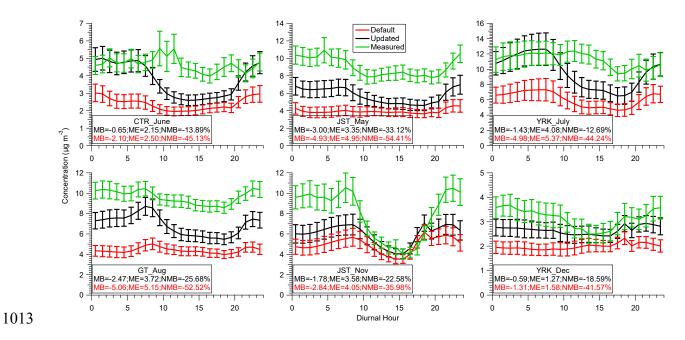
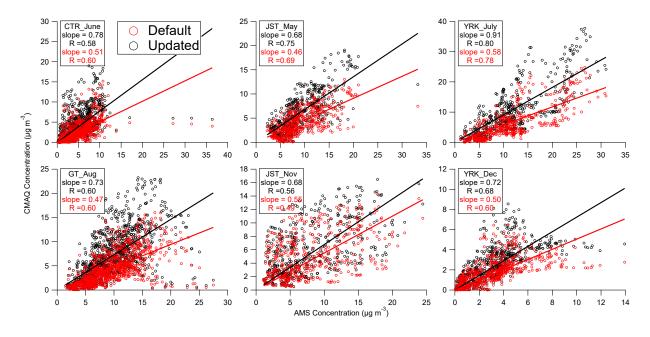


Fig. S15. Comparison of the SOA mass yields of α -pinene ozonolysis in the literature. SOA density of 1 g cm⁻³ is used in all studies to facilitate comparison. Note that in Saha et al. (2016), the SOA concentration is required to calculate the SOA yield parameterizations. The yields with 445 µg m⁻³ aerosol loading (column *i* of Table 1 in Saha et al.) are reported in this study.



1014 Fig. S16. The diurnal trends of AMS measured OA and CMAQ predicted OA mass concentration

1015 (PM₁) in both default and updated simulations. Mean bias (MB), mean error (ME), normalized
1016 mean bias (NMB) are shown in each panel.



1019 Fig. S17. The scatter plots of AMS measured OA and CMAQ predicted OA mass concentration in

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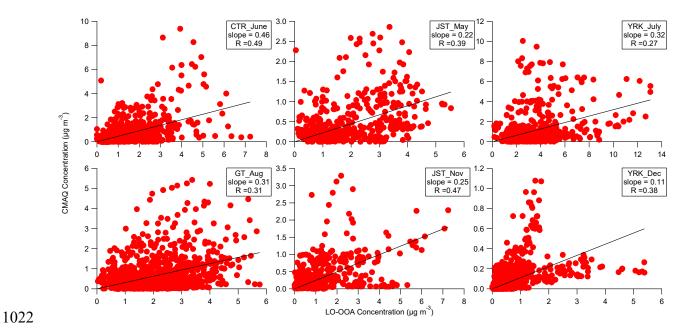


Fig. S18. The scatter plots of LO-OOA and CMAQ predicted SOA mass concentration from monoterpenes and sesquiterpenes in the default simulation at different sampling sites in the southeastern U.S. The slopes and R are obtained by least square fit. The intercepts are forced to be zero.

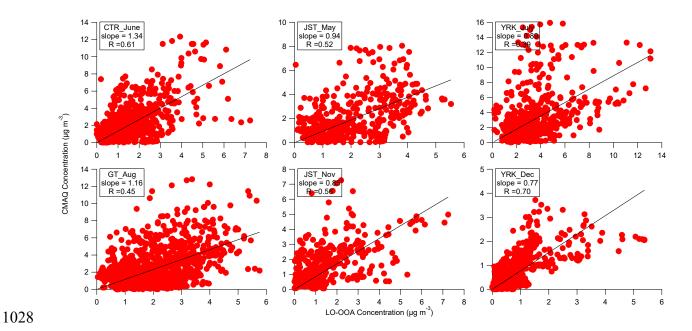


Fig. S19. The scatter plot between LO-OOA and modeled SOA mass concentration from monoterpenes and sesquiterpenes in updated simulation at different sampling sites in the southeastern U.S. The slope sand R are obtained from the least square fit. The intercepts are forced to be zero.

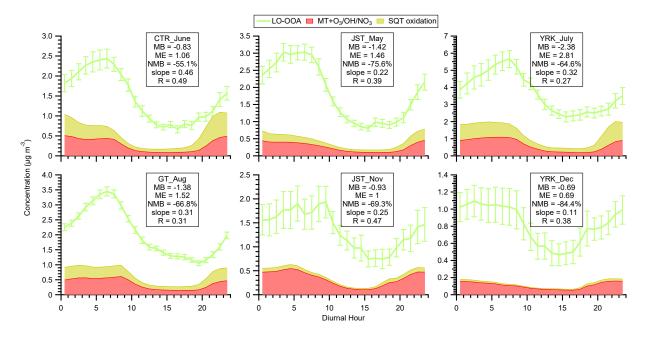


Fig. S20. The diurnal trends of LO-OOA and modeled SOA from monoterpenes and sesquiterpenes at different sampling sites in the southeastern U.S. in the default simulation. The mean bias (MB), mean error (ME), and normalized mean bias (NMB) are shown for each site. The slopes and R are obtained by least square fit.

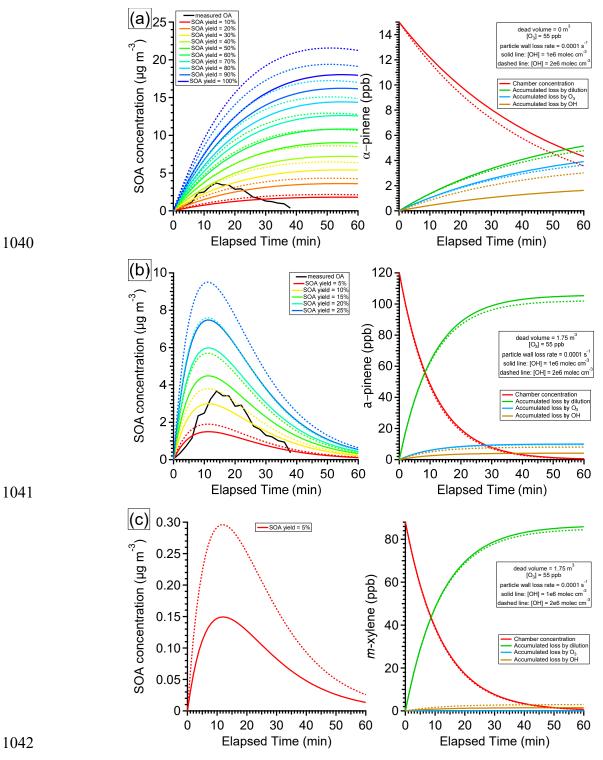
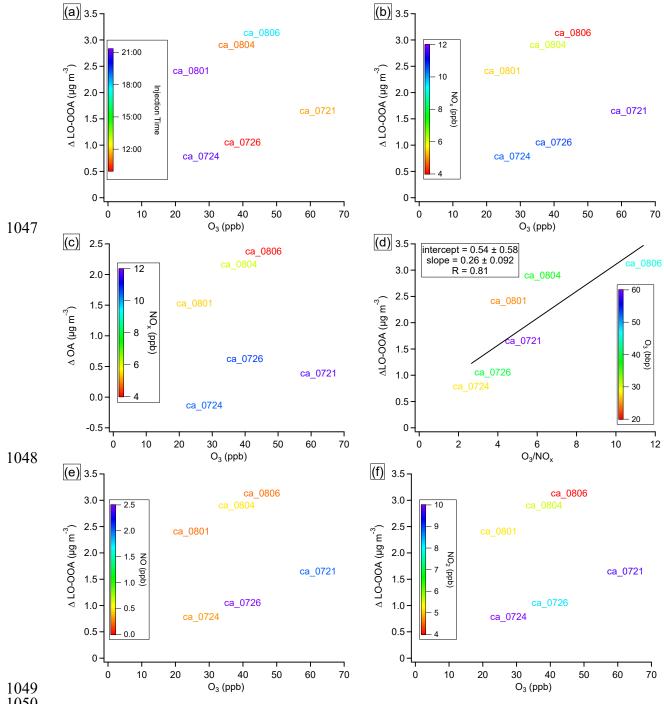


Fig. S21. Simulated time series of VOCs and SOA based on a simple box model. (a) α-pinene experiments assuming a range of SOA yields and no dead volume. (b) α-pinene experiments assuming a range of SOA yields and 1.75 m³ dead volume. (c) *m*-xylene experiments assuming 5% SOA yield and 1.75 m³ dead volume.



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Fig. S22. The influence of NO_x on β -caryophyllene SOA formation. (a) Δ LO-OOA as a function 1051 1052 of O₃, colored by injection time. (b) Δ LO-OOA as a function of O₃, colored by NO_x. (c) Δ OA as 1053 a function of O₃, colored by injection time. (d) Δ LO-OOA as a function of O₃/NO_x ratio, colored 1054 by O₃. The slopes and intercepts are obtained by least square fit. (e) Δ LO-OOA as a function of 1055 O_3 , colored by NO. (f) Δ LO-OOA as a function of O_3 , colored by NO₂.

1058	Site (Abbreviation)	Sampling Period
1059	Jefferson Street (JST_May)	5/10/2012 - 6/2/2012
1060	Yorkville (YRK_July)	6/26/2012 - 7/20/2012
1061	Georgia Tech (GT_Aug)	7/20/2012 - 9/4/2012
1062	Jefferson Street (JST_Nov)	11/6/2012 - 12/4/2012
1063	Yorkville (YRK_Dec)	12/5/2012 - 1/10/2013
1064	Centreville (CTR_June)	6/1/2013 - 7/15/2013
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Table S1. Sampling sites and periods for the Southeastern Center for Air Pollution andEpidemiology (SCAPE) study and the Southern Oxidant and Aerosol Study (SOAS).

1067 Table S2. The experimental conditions of laboratory α-pinene experiments.

Expt.	[HC]0 (ppb)	Oxidant precursor	RH	NO (ppb) ^b	NO ₂ (ppb) ^b	O ₃ (ppb) ^b	OH $(10^6 \text{ molec cm}^{-3})^e$
1	334 ^a	H ₂ O ₂	40%	<dl, <dl<sup="">c</dl,>	<1, <1°	N.A.	1.0
2	174 ^a	HONO	<5%	269, 167	310, 440	5, 32	10.9
3	15	NO ₂	50%	23, 7 ^d	60, 60	20, 71	3.6

^aMore than 100ppb α -pinene is injected in the first two experiments. It is because these two experiments were designed to produce large amounts of SOA for filter collection and offline analysis.

¹⁰⁷¹ ^bThere are two values in these columns. The first value represents the initial concentration when

1072 turning on the lights. The second value represents the concentration when the OA concentration

1073 reaches about 10 μ g m⁻³.

^cBackground NO_x level in the chamber.

¹⁰⁷⁵ ^dThe initial concentrations of NO, NO₂, and O₃ in NO₂+hv experiments are reported at 3 min after

1076 turning on lights.

1077 ^eThe OH concentration is estimated based on the decay of α -pinene, after considering the

1078 consumption of α -pinene by O₃.

Species	$\boldsymbol{\alpha}^1$	C* ¹	enthalpy ¹	Potential surrogate structure	nC ²	nO ²	nH ²	MW	OM/OC	H ³	V lebas	Dg	density
	g g ⁻¹	μg m ⁻³	kJ mol ⁻¹					g mol ⁻¹	g g ⁻¹	M atm ⁻¹	cm ³ mol ⁻¹	cm ² s ⁻¹	g cm ⁻³
MT1	0.040	0.01	102.0	$C_{15}H_{24}O_6$ (Zhang et al., 2015)		6	24	300	1.67	7.1E+11	355.2	0.0424	1.4
MT2	0.032	0.1	91.0	C ₁₀ H ₁₆ O ₄ (Chan et al., 2009; Zhang et al., 2015)		4	16	200	1.67	8.9E+10	236.8	0.0556	1.4
MT3	0.032	1	80.0	pinic acid (Yu et al., 1999)	9	4	14	186	1.72	1.1E+10	214.6	0.0583	1.4
MT4	0.103	10	69.0	hydroxypinonaldehyde (Yu et al., 1999)	10	3	16	184	1.53	1.4E+09	229.4	0.0587	1.4
MT5	0.143	100	58.0	norpinonic acid (Yu et al., 1999)	9	3	14	170	1.57	1.8E+08	207.2	0.0619	1.4
MT6	0.285	1000	47.0	pinonaldehyde (Yu et al., 1999)	10	2	16	168	1.40	2.2E+07	222.0	0.0624	1.4
MT7	0.160	10000	36.0	norpinonaldehyde (Yu et al., 1999)	9	2	14	154	1.43	2.8E+06	199.8	0.0661	1.4

1080 Table S3. The properties of the lumped oxidation products from monoterpenes $+ O_3/OH$.

1081 $^{1}\alpha$, C* (@298K), and enthalpies are based on TD fit in Table 1 Saha and Grieshop (2016) assuming 1082 an OA concentration of 445 μ g m⁻³.

¹⁰⁸³ ²Number of oxygen per surrogate is based on Donahue et al. (2011) relationship as used in Pye et

al. (2017). Number of carbon and oxygen used to find potential surrogate structure.

³Henry's Law Coefficients (H) is based on Hodzic et al. (2014) and relationship with C*. An enthalpy of solvation of 50 kJ mol⁻¹ is used.

Perturbation	Expt ID ^a	Date	Injection	Perturbation	NO ^c	NO ₂ ^c	O ₃ ^c
reiturbation	Expt ID	Date	Time	Amount ^b	(ppb)	(ppb)	(ppb)
	ap_0718_1	7/18/2016	11:18	14	0.69	3.57	48.3
	ap_0718_2	7/18/2016	21:44	14	0.29	10.12	40.2
	ap_0719_1	7/19/2016	9:48	14	7.98	19.96	31.9
	ap_0719_2	7/19/2016	13:44	14	0.46	4.14	71.6
	ap_0719_3	7/19/2016	17:18	14	0.19	4.29	81.9
	ap_0720_1	7/20/2016	10:52	14	1.96	9.09	56.5
	ap_0720_2	7/20/2016	19:36	14	0.10	3.54	75.0
	ap_0728_1	7/28/2016	10:04	14	1.53	3.97	25.3
	ap_0728_2	7/28/2016	15:40	14	0.75	3.12	32.7
α-pinene	ap_0729_1	7/29/2016	11:04	14	1.55	5.69	36.8
	ap_0729_2	7/29/2016	16:22	14	0.63	3.61	43.6
	ap_0731	7/31/2016	12:18	14	0.19	2.73	48.5
	ap_0801_1	8/1/2016	12:42	14	0.24	5.28	53.1
	ap_0801_2	8/1/2016	17:06	14	0.25	3.23	44.9
	ap_0802	8/2/2016	13:08	14	0.23	3.41	48.5
	ap_0803	8/3/2016	17:22	14	0.14	2.65	53.2
	ap_0804	8/4/2016	15:18	14	0.27	6.04	53.2
	ap_0805_1	8/5/2016	13:14	14	0.27	6.02	60.5
	ap_0805_2	8/5/2016	17:42	28	0.13	3.13	52.4
	ca_0721	7/21/2016	11:32	10	2.02	9.73	62.3
β-caryophyllene	ca_0724	7/24/2016	20:58	10	0.32	10.12	27.6
	ca_0726	7/26/2016	9:58	10	2.48	8.19	39.9
	ca_0801	8/1/2016	21:20	10	0.24	5.19	24.7
	ca_0804	8/4/2016	11:02	10	0.48	5.60	38.1
	ca_0806	8/6/2016	17:54	10	0.23	3.77	45.6

1088 Table S4. Experimental conditions for ambient perturbation experiments.

1089 a Expt ID is named as "perturbation species + date + experiment number". For example, ap_0801_1 1090 represents the first α -pinene perturbation experiment on 08/01.

1091 ^bThe unit for the perturbation in α -pinene and β -caryophyllene experiments is ppb. The 1092 perturbation amounts of α -pinene and β -caryophyllene are estimated based on the VOC injection 1093 volume and chamber volume. The amount of VOC injected is not the same as the amounts 1094 consumed by oxidants (section S6).

1095 ^cAverage concentration during the Chamber_Af period.

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	Year	Sampling Period	Note	Reference
	2012	7/21 - 9/3	Continuously ambient measurements	Xu et al. 2015 ACP
	2013	8/1/- 8/25	AMS alternates between ambient line and PILS line	Xu et al. 2017 ES&T
	2015	8/1 - 8/16	Ambient perturbation experiments and experiments for other purposes	This study
	2016	7/1 - 8/6	Ambient perturbation experiments	This study
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1100 Table S5. Sampling periods for the measurements at the GT site from 2012 to 2016.