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Enhancing particle number concentration modelling accuracy in China by incorporating various nucleation parameterization schemes into the CMAQ version 5.3.2 model

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Table S1. The range of values for each independent variable in the TIMN nucleation rate lookup table.

Variables	Range	Number of points	Values at each point
[H ₂ SO ₄] (cm ⁻³)	5×10 ⁵ - 5×10 ⁹	32	[H ₂ SO ₄] (i) = $5 \times 10^5 \times 10^{(i-1)/10}$, i=1, 31; [H ₂ SO ₄] (32) = 5×10^9
T (K)	190 - 304	39	$T(j) = 190 + 3 \times (j-1), j = 1, 39$
RH (%)	0.5 - 99.5	26	RH (1) = 0.5, RH (k) = 4×(k -1), k = 2, 25; RH (26) = 99.5
$S (\mu \text{m}^2 \text{cm}^{-3})$	20 - 200	2	S(1) = 20, S(2) = 200
[NH ₃] (cm ⁻³)	10 ⁵ - 10 ¹²	33	[NH ₃] (1) = 10^5 ; [NH ₃] (m) = $10^8 \times 10^{(m-1)/10}$, m=2, 32; [NH ₃] (33) = 10^{12}
Q (ions cm ⁻³ s ⁻¹)	2 - 100	8	Q $(n) = 2 \times 1.5^{(n-1)}$, n = 1,7; Q $(8) = 100$

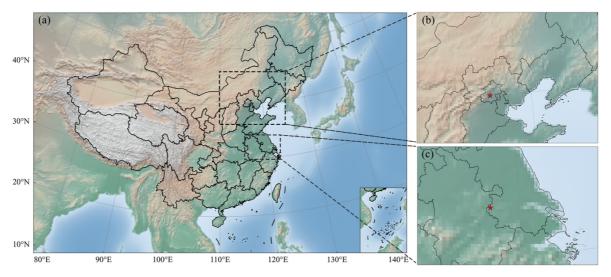


Figure S1. (a) WRF/CMAQ modeling domain. (b) Beijing observation station. (c) Nanjing observation station.

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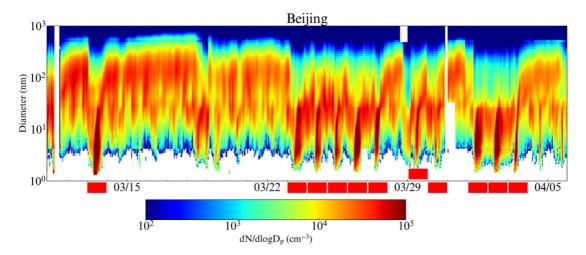


Figure S2. The observation of aerosol size distribution in 2016 in Beijing. Red rectangles are NPF days.



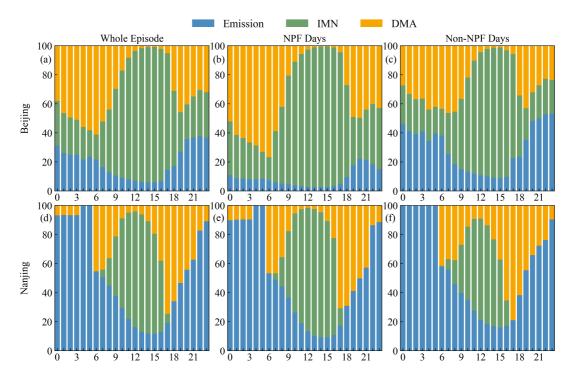


Figure S3. The average diel variation of the hourly contributions (%) in whole episode, NPF days and non-NPF days.