| Station  | Season | Model 1 <sup>a</sup>                 |       |                  |                  | Model 1 <sup>a,b</sup>                 |       |                  |                  | Model 2 <sup>c</sup>                                |                  |                  |
|----------|--------|--------------------------------------|-------|------------------|------------------|--|-------|------------------|------------------|---|------------------|------------------|
|          |        | (OC) <sub>primary</sub> =α*EC+β      |       |                  |                  | $(OC)_{primary} = \alpha * EC + \beta$ |       |                  |                  | (OC) <sub>primary</sub> =(OC/EC) <sub>min</sub> *EC |                  |                  |
|          |        | [with season-independent parameters] |       |                  |                  | [with season-specific parameters]      |       |                  |                  |   |                  |                  |
|          |        | α                                    | β     | POC <sup>d</sup> | SOC <sup>d</sup> | α                                      | β     | POC <sup>d</sup> | SOC <sup>d</sup> | (OC/EC) <sub>min</sub>                              | POC <sup>d</sup> | SOC <sup>d</sup> |
| Cape     | Spring | 1.62                                 | 0.05  | 2.8(0.2)         | 2.2(0.1)         | 1.77                                   | -0.37 | 2.7(0.2)         | 2.3(0.1)         | 1.48  | 2.5(0.2)         | 2.5(0.1)         |
| FuGuei   | Summer |                                      |       | 2.7(0.1)         | 2.4(0.2)         | 1.25                                   | 0.53  | 2.6(0.1)         | 2.5(0.2)         | 1.18  | 1.9(0.1)         | 3.1(0.2)         |
|          | Autumn |                                      |       | 1.8(0.2)         | 1.5(0.2)         | 1.48                                   | 0.28  | 1.9(0.2)         | 1.4(0.2)         | 1.42  | 1.6(0.2)         | 1.7(0.2)         |
|          | Winter |                                      |       | 2.7(0.2)         | 2.9(0.2)         | 1.48                                   | 1.04  | 3.4(0.2)         | 2.2(0.2)         | 1.48  | 2.4(0.2)         | 3.1(0.2)         |
| Taipei   | Spring | 1.70                                 | 0.46  | 6.7(0.3)         | 2.2(0.2)         | 2.10                                   | -0.96 | 6.7(0.3)         | 2.2(0.2)         | 1.48  | 5.4(0.2)         | 3.5(0.2)         |
|          | Summer |                                      |       | 5.7(0.3)         | 2.6(0.3)         |  |       |                  |                  | 1.54  | 4.7(0.3)         | 3.5(0.3)         |
|          | Autumn |                                      |       | 4.2(0.3)         | 1.5(0.2)         |  |       |                  |                  | 1.73  | 3.8(0.3)         | 1.9(0.2)         |
|          | Winter |                                      |       | 5.6(0.4)         | 2.8(0.4)         |  |       |                  |                  | 1.96  | 5.9(0.5)         | 2.4(0.4)         |
| Taichung | Spring | 1.43                                 | 2.88  | 8.4(0.3)         | 3.1(0.3)         | 1.40                                   | 2.65  | 8.1(0.3)         | 3.4(0.3)         | 1.66  | 6.4(0.3)         | 5.3(0.3)         |
|          | Summer |                                      |       | 7.3(0.5)         | 4.6(0.7)         |  |       |                  |                  | 1.58  | 4.8(0.5)         | 6.9(0.7)         |
|          | Autumn |                                      |       | 9.5(0.5)         | 3.9(0.6)         | 1.32                                   | 3.39  | 9.5(0.4)         | 3.9(0.6)         | 1.36  | 6.3(0.4)         | 7.0(0.6)         |
|          | Winter |                                      |       | 9.7(0.4)         | 3.8(0.5)         | 2.03                                   | 0.02  | 9.7(0.6)         | 3.8(0.4)         | 1.84  | 8.7(0.5)         | 4.7(0.4)         |
| Tainan   | Spring | 1.56                                 | 3.54  | 8.9(0.3)         | 1.1(0.2)         |  |       |                  |                  | 2.13  | 7.3(0.4)         | 2.6(0.2)         |
|          | Summer |                                      |       | 6.3(0.3)         | 1.3(0.3)         |  |       |                  |                  | 2.76  | 4.9(0.5)         | 2.5(0.3)         |
|          | Autumn |                                      |       | 8.4(0.3)         | 2.6(0.4)         |  |       |                  |                  | 1.80  | 5.6(0.3)         | 5.4(0.4)         |
|          | Winter |                                      |       | 9.2(0.5)         | 2.6(0.4)         |  |       |                  |                  | 2.15  | 7.8(0.7)         | 3.9(0.4)         |
| Pingtung | Spring | 1.85                                 | 4.77  | 9.7(0.3)         | 3.4(0.3)         |  |       |                  |                  | 2.60  | 7.0(0.4)         | 6.1(0.4)         |
|          | Summer |                                      |       | 7.5(0.4)         | 4.6(0.9)         |  |       |                  |                  | 3.84  | 5.6(0.8)         | 6.4(1.0)         |
|          | Autumn |                                      |       | 9.9(0.3)         | 3.6(0.8)         |  |       |                  |                  | 2.98  | 8.3(0.5)         | 5.0(0.8)         |
|          | Winter |                                      |       | 10.3(0.4)        | 3.1(0.3)         |  |       |                  |                  | 2.15  | 6.4(0.5)         | 6.9(0.4)         |
| Penghu   | Spring | 1.75                                 | 0.29  | 1.9(0.1)         | 1.3(0.2)         | 1.52                                   | 0.52  | 1.9(0.1)         | 1.3(0.2)         | 1.46  | 1.3(0.1)         | 1.8(0.2)         |
|          | Summer |                                      |       | 1.5(0.1)         | 2.1(0.2)         | 1.85                                   | 0.77  | 2.1(0.1)         | 1.5(0.2)         | 1.68  | 1.2(0.1)         | 2.4(0.2)         |
|          | Autumn |                                      |       | 1.7(0.1)         | 1.6(0.1)         | 2.14                                   | 0.06  | 1.8(0.2)         | 1.5(0.1)         | 1.91  | 1.5(0.2)         | 1.7(0.1)         |
|          | Winter |                                      |       | 2.1(0.1)         | 1.3(0.1)         | 1.66                                   | 0.30  | 2.0(0.1)         | 1.4(0.1)         | 1.62  | 1.7(0.1)         | 1.8(0.1)         |
| Hualien  | Spring | 2.36                                 | -0.13 | 3.7(0.2)         | 2.3(0.1)         | 1.90                                   | 1.33  | 4.4(0.2)         | 1.6(0.1)         | 1.94  | 3.2(0.2)         | 2.8(0.1)         |
|          | Summer | 1                                    |       | 3.5(0.1)         | 2.9(0.3)         |  |       |                  |                  | 2.12  | 3.2(0.1)         | 3.1(0.3)         |
|          | Autumn | 1                                    |       | 3.4(0.2)         | 2.3(0.1)         | 2.21                                   | 0.48  | 3.8(0.2)         | 1.9(0.1)         | 2.00  | 3.0(0.2)         | 2.7(0.1)         |
|          | Winter | 1                                    |       | 4.8(0.3)         | 2.0(0.2)         | 2.41                                   | -0.54 | 4.5(0.3)         | 2.3(0.2)         | 2.00  | 4.2(0.3)         | 2.6(0.2)         |

Table S1. Intercomparison of POC and SOC concentrations of PM<sub>10</sub> calculated using two independent approaches for (OC/EC)<sub>primary</sub> derivation.

a. The station-specific  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  were derived from the measurements with lowest 10% (OC/EC) values. The details of this approach are described in the main text.

b.Applying to the cases with N>50.

c. This method assumes the minimal (OC/EC) ratio is representative to the primary (OC/EC).

d.The standard error of each mean value is noted in parentheses

| Station  | Season | Model 1 <sup>a</sup>                   |       |                  |                  | Model 1 <sup>a,b</sup>                 |       |                  |                  | Model 2 <sup>c</sup>                                |                  |                  |
|----------|--------|--|-------|------------------|------------------|--|-------|------------------|------------------|---|------------------|------------------|
|          |        | $(OC)_{primary} = \alpha * EC + \beta$ |       |                  |                  | $(OC)_{primary} = \alpha * EC + \beta$ |       |                  |                  | (OC) <sub>primary</sub> =(OC/EC) <sub>min</sub> *EC |                  |                  |
|          |        | [with season-independent parameters]   |       |                  |                  | [with season-specific parameters]      |       |                  |                  |   |                  |                  |
|          |        | α                                      | β     | POC <sup>d</sup> | SOC <sup>d</sup> | α                                      | β     | POC <sup>d</sup> | SOC <sup>d</sup> | (OC/EC) <sub>min</sub>                              | POC <sup>d</sup> | SOC <sup>d</sup> |
| Cape     | Spring | 1.73                                   | 0.04  | 2.6(0.2)         | 1.7(0.1)         | 2.02                                   | -0.29 | 2.7(0.2)         | 1.6(0.1)         | 1.63  | 2.4(0.2)         | 1.9(0.1)         |
| FuGuei   | Summer |  |       | 2.0(0.1)         | 1.5(0.1)         | 1.00                                   | 0.98  | 2.1(0.1)         | 1.4(0.1)         | 1.28  | 1.5(0.1)         | 2.0(0.1)         |
|          | Autumn |  |       | 1.8(0.2)         | 1.1(0.1)         | 1.73                                   | -0.14 | 1.6(0.2)         | 1.3(0.1)         | 1.31  | 1.3(0.2)         | 1.5(0.1)         |
|          | Winter |  |       | 2.4(0.2)         | 2.0(0.2)         | 1.47                                   | 0.70  | 2.7(0.1)         | 1.7(0.2)         | 1.53  | 2.1(0.2)         | 2.3(0.2)         |
| Taipei   | Spring | 1.78                                   | -0.76 | 5.3(0.2)         | 2.1(0.2)         | 1.67                                   | -0.07 | 5.6(0.2)         | 1.8(0.2)         | 1.51  | 5.1(0.2)         | 2.3(0.2)         |
|          | Summer |  |       | 4.7(0.4)         | 2.2(0.3)         |  |       |                  |                  | 1.48  | 4.5(0.4)         | 2.4(0.3)         |
|          | Autumn |  |       | 3.4(0.4)         | 1.7(0.2)         |  |       |                  |                  | 1.37  | 3.2(0.3)         | 1.8(0.2)         |
|          | Winter |  |       | 3.8(0.4)         | 2.2(0.2)         |  |       |                  |                  | 1.64  | 4.20.4)          | 1.8(0.2)         |
| Taichung | Spring | 1.63                                   | 0.07  | 5.7(0.3)         | 2.5(0.2)         |  |       |                  |                  | 1.26  | 4.3(0.2)         | 3.8(0.2)         |
|          | Summer |  |       | 3.8(0.4)         | 4.9(0.8)         |  |       |                  |                  | 1.90  | 4.3(0.5)         | 4.3(0.8)         |
|          | Autumn |  |       | 6.1(0.4)         | 3.3(0.4)         | 1.46                                   | 0.85  | 6.2(0.4)         | 3.2(0.5)         | 1.51  | 5.6(0.4)         | 3.8(0.5)         |
|          | Winter |  |       | 7.5(0.5)         | 3.4(0.5)         | 1.35                                   | 1.36  | 7.5(0.4)         | 3.4(0.5)         | 1.44  | 6.6(0.5)         | 4.3(0.5)         |
| Tainan   | Spring | 2.01                                   | 0.04  | 5.9(0.4)         | 1.2(0.2)         |  |       |                  |                  | 1.75  | 5.1(0.4)         | 1.9(0.2)         |
|          | Summer |  |       | 4.0(0.4)         | 2.2(0.1)         |  |       |                  |                  | 2.70  | 5.3(0.6)         | 0.9(0.2)         |
|          | Autumn |  |       | 6.1(0.4)         | 2.9(0.4)         |  |       |                  |                  | 1.98  | 6.0(0.4)         | 3.0(0.4)         |
|          | Winter |  |       | 5.2(0.7)         | 2.7(0.4)         |  |       |                  |                  | 2.27  | 5.8(0.8)         | 2.0(0.3)         |
| Pingtung | Spring | 1.45                                   | 4.38  | 7.4(0.2)         | 2.0(0.3)         |  |       |                  |                  | 3.05  | 6.3(0.4)         | 3.1(0.3)         |
|          | Summer |  |       | 6.3(0.2)         | 3.8(0.9)         |  |       |                  |                  | 4.49  | 6.1(0.7)         | 3.8(0.9)         |
|          | Autumn |  |       | 7.6(0.3)         | 2.5(0.5)         |  |       |                  |                  | 2.68  | 6.0(0.5)         | 3.7(0.6)         |
|          | Winter |  |       | 8.6(0.3)         | 3.3(0.4)         |  |       |                  |                  | 1.81  | 5.2(0.3)         | 6.6(0.4)         |
| Penghu   | Spring | 1.51                                   | 0.00  | 1.2(0.1)         | 0.9(0.1)         | 1.20                                   | 0.26  | 1.2(0.1)         | 0.9(0.1)         | 1.12  | 0.9(0.1)         | 1.2(0.1)         |
|          | Summer |  |       | 0.9(0.1)         | 1.1(0.1)         |  |       |                  |                  | 1.13  | 0.7(0.1)         | 1.3(0.1)         |
|          | Autumn |  |       | 1.1(0.1)         | 1.1(0.1)         | 1.87                                   | -0.10 | 1.2(0.1)         | 1.0(0.1)         | 1.54  | 1.1(0.1)         | 1.1(0.1)         |
|          | Winter |  |       | 1.4(0.1)         | 1.0(0.1)         | 1.26                                   | 0.42  | 1.6(0.1)         | 0.8(0.1)         | 1.41  | 1.3(0.1)         | 1.1(0.1)         |
| Hualien  | Spring | 1.90                                   | -0.17 | 2.8(0.1)         | 1.2(0.1)         | 1.31                                   | 0.80  | 2.9(0.1)         | 1.1(0.1)         | 1.53  | 2.4(0.1)         | 1.6(0.1)         |
|          | Summer | 1                                      |       | 2.1(0.1)         | 1.5(0.2)         |  |       |                  |                  | 1.57  | 1.8(0.1)         | 1.7(0.2)         |
|          | Autumn | 1                                      |       | 2.2(0.2)         | 1.4(0.1)         | 1.94                                   | -0.17 | 2.2(0.2)         | 1.4(0.1)         | 1.55  | 2.0(0.2)         | 1.7(0.1)         |
|          | Winter | 1                                      |       | 3.4(0.2)         | 1.9(0.2)         | 2.20                                   | -0.29 | 3.8(0.3)         | 1.4(0.2)         | 2.07  | 3.8(0.3)         | 1.4(0.2)         |

Table S2. Intercomparison of POC and SOC concentrations of PM2.5 calculated using two independent approaches for (OC/EC)<sub>primary</sub> derivation.

a. The station-specific  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  were derived from the measurements with lowest 10% (OC/EC) values. The details of this approach are described in the main text.

b.Applying to the cases with N>50.

c. This method assumes the minimal (OC/EC) ratio is representative to the primary (OC/EC).

d.The standard error of each mean value is noted in parentheses



Figure S1. Climatology of meteorological parameters in Taipei, Taiwan. (source: Central Weather Bureau, Taiwan)