

# Comprehensive Evaluation of Spatial Distribution and Temporal Trend of NO<sub>2</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>, and AOD based on Satellite Observations over South and East Asia from 2011 to 2021

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**Table S1** Summary of utilized satellite and emission inventory data.

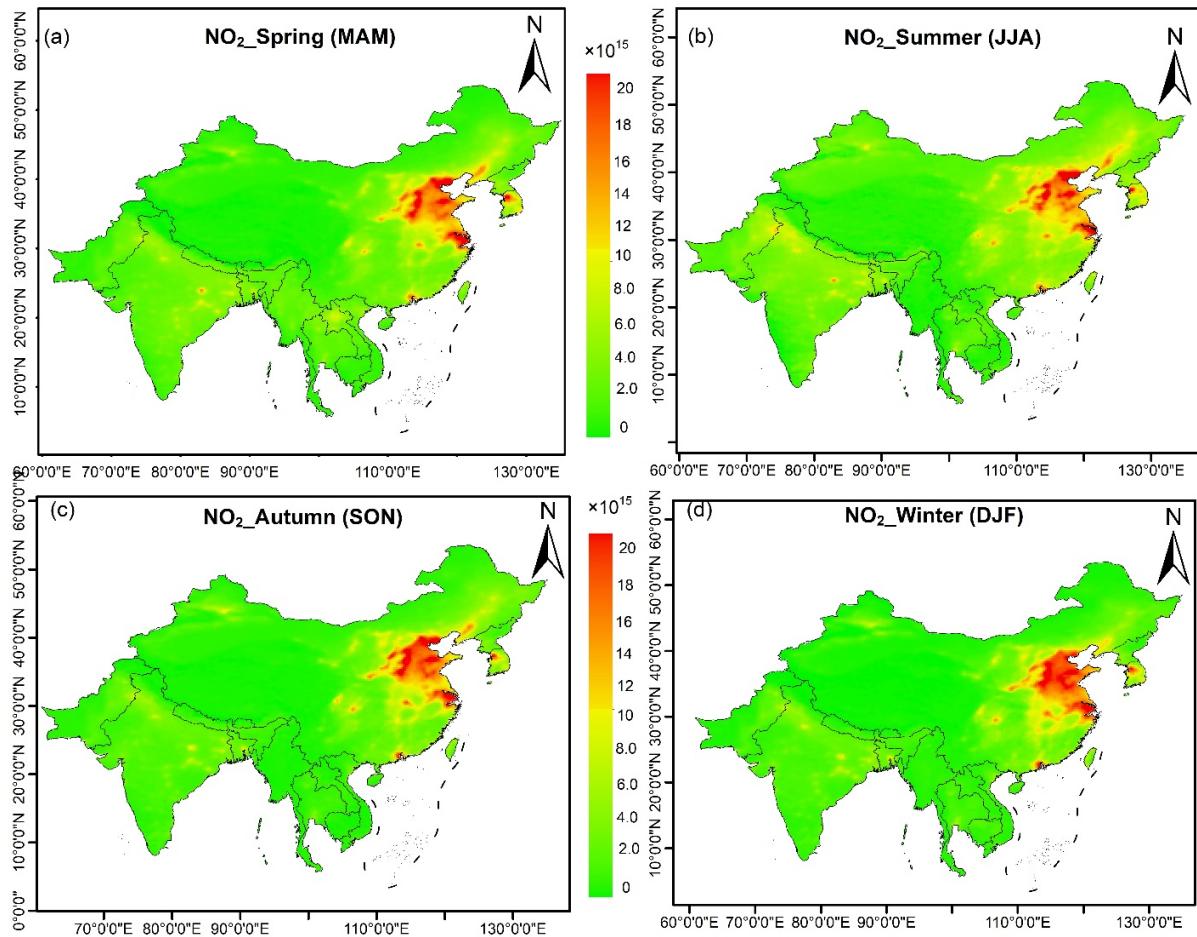
Data Source/Platform	Atmospheric Composites	Units	Spatial Resolution	Temporal Resolution	Web Link
OMI/Aura	NO <sub>2</sub>	Molecules/cm <sup>2</sup>	0.25° × 0.25°	Daily	<a href="https://giovanni.gsfc.nasa.gov/giovanni/">https://giovanni.gsfc.nasa.gov/giovanni/</a> (Accessed on May 2022)
	SO <sub>2</sub>	Dobson Unit*	0.25° × 0.25°	Daily	
MODIS/ Aqua	AOD at 550 nm	Unit less	1° × 1°	Daily	
	NO <sub>x</sub>	g/km <sup>2</sup> /month	0.1° × 0.1°	Monthly	
	SO <sub>2</sub>	g/km <sup>2</sup> /month	0.1° × 0.1°	Monthly	
PKU Emission Inventory	PM <sub>2.5</sub>	g/km <sup>2</sup> /month	0.1° × 0.1°	Monthly	<a href="http://inventory.pku.edu.cn/home.html">http://inventory.pku.edu.cn/home.html</a> (Accessed on July 2022)

\*The Dobson Unit (DU) is converted into Molecules/cm<sup>2</sup> (1 DU = 2.687×10<sup>16</sup> Molecules/cm<sup>2</sup>) for unifying the unit for gaseous air pollutants.

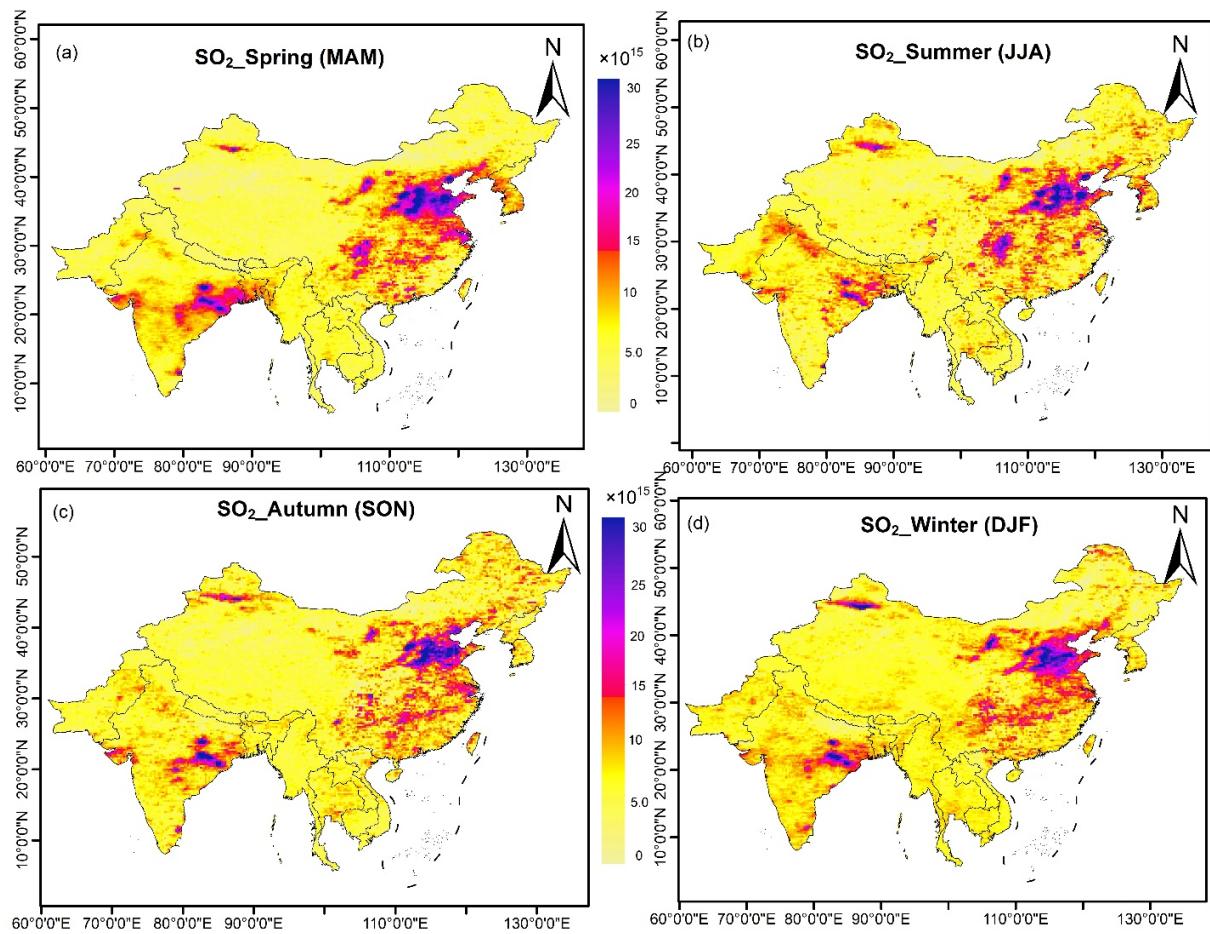
**Table S2** Statistical values of NO<sub>2</sub> hotspots over randomly selected cities in the study area.

Hotspot Cities	Countries	Lon (Deg.)	Lat (Deg.)	Confidence Level	Overall NO <sub>2</sub> ( $\times 10^{15}$ molec/cm <sup>2</sup> )	p Values
Kowloon	China	114.23	22.38	99%	10.11	0.0000020
Nanjing	China	118.77	32.05	99%	15.78	0.0058396
T'ai-chung	Taiwan	120.67	24.14	95%	4.54	0.0302960
Changsha	China	112.97	28.20	99%	7.14	0.0000200
Nanchang	China	115.89	28.67	99%	6.58	0.0001330
Hangzhou	China	120.17	30.25	99%	14.59	0.0000383

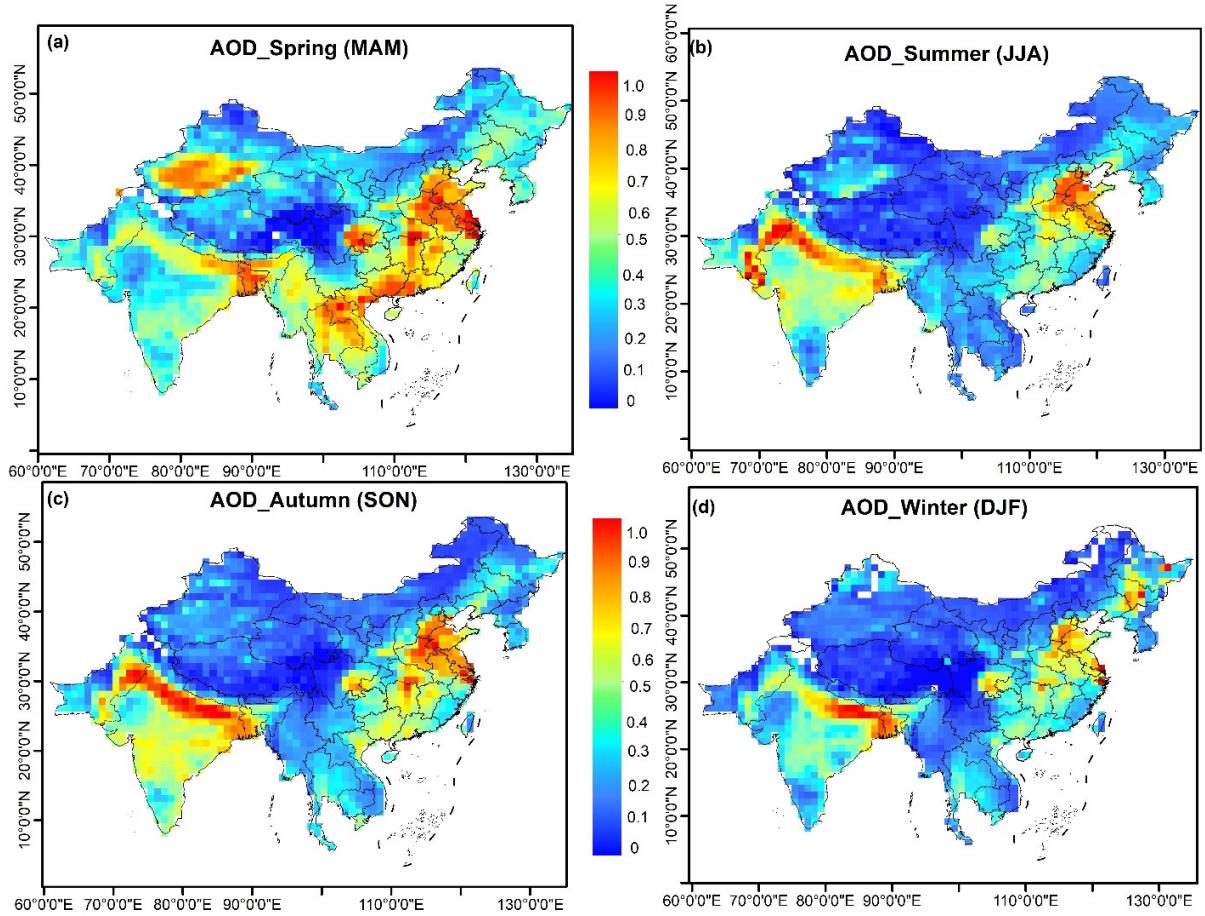
Chengdu	China	104.07	30.67	99%	8.43	0.0000010
Xian	China	108.88	34.27	99%	11.84	0.0300137
Luoyang	China	112.36	34.67	99%	11.91	0.0017900
Zhengzhou	China	113.64	34.76	99%	15.98	0.0106012
Tianjin	China	117.19	39.13	99%	18.32	0.0061956
Beijing	China	116.39	39.91	99%	17.46	0.0020652
Baotou	China	109.98	40.65	99%	7.37	0.0000110
Seoul	S. Korea	127.01	37.54	99%	15.01	0.0001200
Dhaka	Bangladesh	90.41	23.71	99%	6.87	0.0000600
Faisalabad	Pakistan	73.08	31.41	95%	4.18	0.0255880
Islamabad	Pakistan	73.06	33.72	95%	4.53	0.0280660
Amritsar	India	74.87	31.63	99%	4.86	0.0036090
New Delhi	India	77.21	28.56	99%	6.87	0.0032000
Calcutta	India	88.33	22.54	95%	4.19	0.0021000



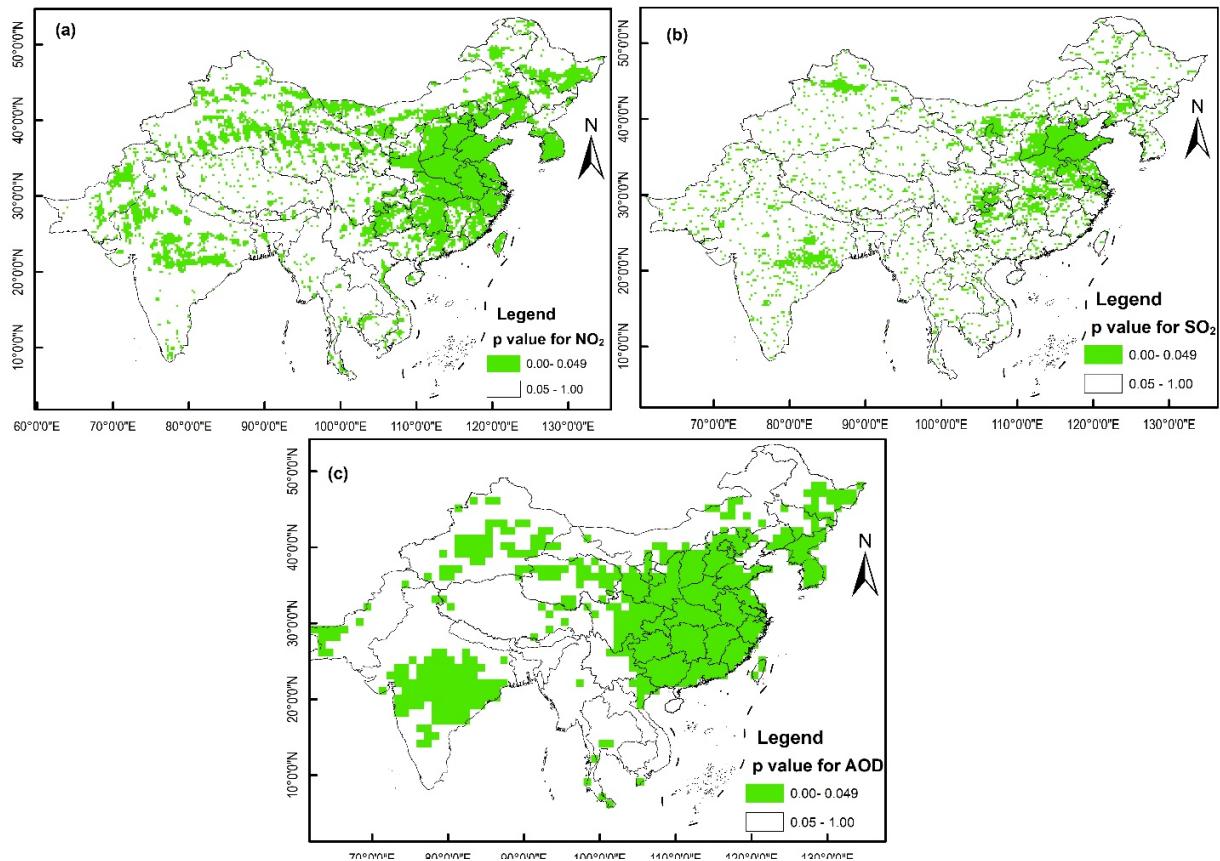
**Figure S1.** Seasonal distribution of NO<sub>2</sub> (in molecules /cm<sup>2</sup>) during the period of 2011 to 2021.



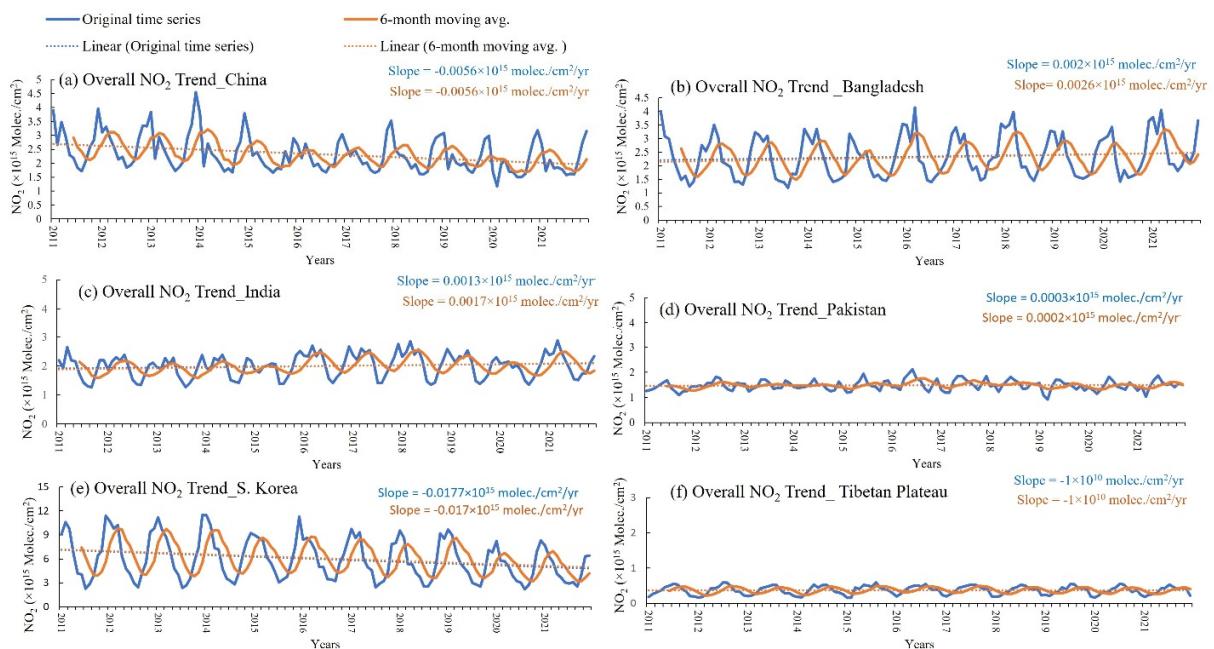
**Figure S2.** Seasonal distribution of SO<sub>2</sub> (in molecules /cm<sup>2</sup>) during the period of 2011 to 2021.



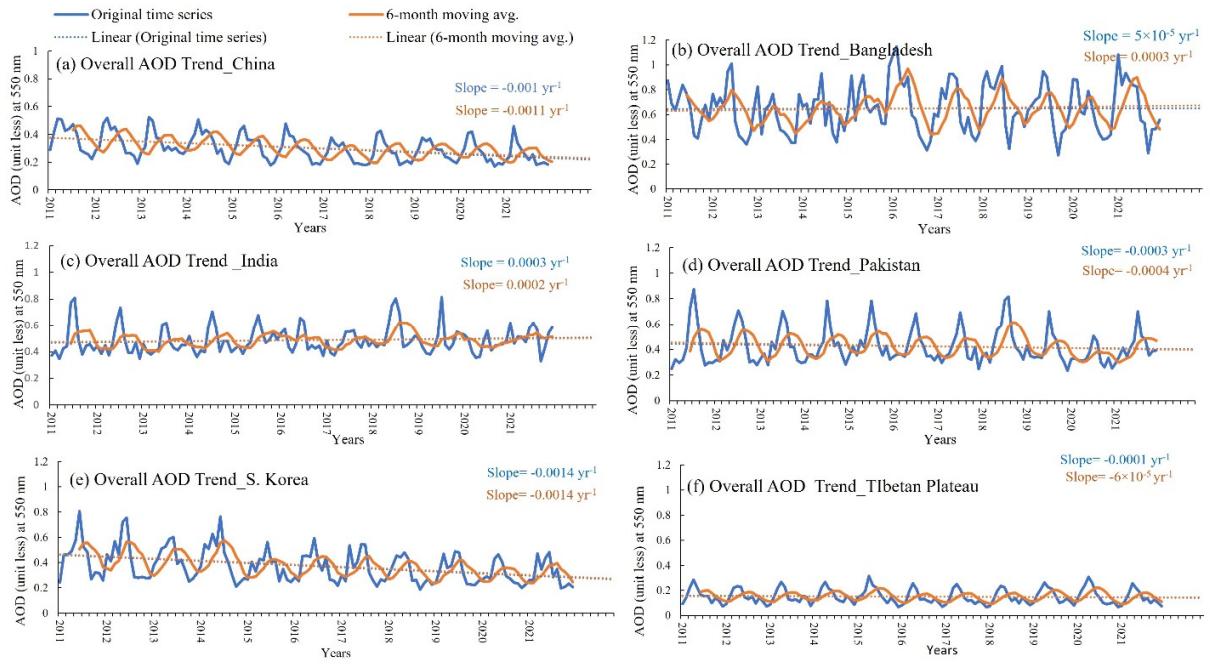
**Figure S3.** Seasonal distribution of AOD (unitless) during the period of 2011 to 2021.



**Figure S4.** Respective P values for the regional distribution of the trend of (a) NO<sub>2</sub> and (b) SO<sub>2</sub>, and (c) AOD.



**Figure S5.** The overall trend of NO<sub>2</sub> over (a) China, (b) Bangladesh, (c) India, (d) Pakistan, (e) Republic of Korea, and (f) Tibetan Plateau.



**Figure S6.** The overall trend of AOD over (a) China, (b) Bangladesh, (c) India, (d) Pakistan, (e) Republic of Korea, and (f) Tibetan Plateau.