

## **Canadian Arctic sea ice reconstructed from bromine in the Greenland NEEM ice core**

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### **1. THAMO model description**

The Tropospheric HALogen chemistry MOdel (THAMO)<sup>1</sup> is a one dimensional chemistry transport model which includes a multistep implicit-explicit (MIE) integration routine<sup>2</sup>, coupled to a vertical diffusion routine<sup>3</sup>. The model is also coupled to a dynamic particle production and growth code, and comprises four main components: i) a chemistry module that includes photochemical, gas phase and uptake reactions using the MIE procedure; ii) a transport module that includes vertical eddy diffusion; iii) a radiation scheme that calculates the solar irradiance as a function of altitude, wavelength and solar zenith angle (SZA); and, iv) a particle formation and growth module.

The model includes 200 boxes at a vertical resolution of 5 m and a total height of 1 km. The lowest level is the surface (ocean, sea ice or landmass) where gas phase deposition and upward flux has been implemented. The uptake coefficients for deposition to a specific aerosol surface area have been taken from Sander et al 2006<sup>4</sup> and Atkinson et al 2000<sup>5</sup>. The chemical scheme has been updated according to Mahajan et al 2010<sup>6</sup> implements the so called “bromine explosion”, an autocatalytic cycle of releasing

bromine from the snowpack to the atmosphere<sup>7,8</sup>. This cycle starts with the deposition of HOBr and BrONO<sub>2</sub> to the snowpack and the reaction with bromide, on the surface of first-year sea ice, to produce active gas phase bromine:



The subsequent photolysis of bromine produces BrO, yielding more HOBr and BrONO<sub>2</sub> through the reaction with HO<sub>2</sub> and NO<sub>2</sub> respectively:



This process leads to an exponential growth of atmospheric gas phase bromine. The autocatalytic cycle continues until the production of HOBr and BrONO<sub>2</sub> diminish after ozone is depleted and the deposition of inactive bromine species to the snowpack (HBr and particulate Br<sup>-</sup>) prevails. Tables S1, S2 and S3 include all the involved reactions, rates and Henry constants

**Table S1. Gas Phase Reactions and Rate Constants used in the THAMO model simulations.**

#	Bimolecular Reactions	Rate Constants	References
1.	$\text{O}(^1\text{D}) + \text{N}_2 \rightarrow \text{O} + \text{N}_2$	$1.8 \times 10^{-11} e^{(110/T)}$	9
2.	$\text{O}(^1\text{D}) + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{O} + \text{O}_2$	$3.2 \times 10^{-11} e^{(70/T)}$	9
3.	$\text{O}(^1\text{D}) + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{OH} + \text{OH}$	$2.2 \times 10^{-10}$	9
4.	$\text{O}(^1\text{D}) + \text{CH}_4 \rightarrow \text{CH}_3 + \text{OH} (0.75), \text{CH}_3\text{O} + \text{H} (0.2), \text{HCHO} + \text{H}_2 (0.05)$	$1.5 \times 10^{-10}$	9
5.	$\text{O}(^1\text{D}) + \text{H}_2 \rightarrow \text{OH} + \text{H}$	$1.1 \times 10^{-10}$	9
6.	$\text{OH} + \text{CO} \rightarrow \text{H} + \text{CO}_2$	$1.5 \times 10^{-13} \times (1 + 0.6 \times P_{\text{atm}})$	9
7.	$\text{HO}_2 + \text{NO} \rightarrow \text{NO}_2 + \text{OH}$	$3.5 \times 10^{-12} e^{(250/T)}$	9
8.	$\text{O}_3 + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{OH} + 2\text{O}_2$	$1.1 \times 10^{-14} e^{(-500/T)}$	9
9.	$\text{HO}_2 + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O}_2 + \text{O}_2$	$2.3 \times 10^{-13} e^{(600/T)}$	9
10.	$\text{OH} + \text{H}_2 \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{H}$	$5.5 \times 10^{-12} e^{(-2000/T)}$	9
11.	$\text{O}_3 + \text{OH} \rightarrow \text{HO}_2 + \text{O}_2$	$1.6 \times 10^{-12} e^{(-940/T)}$	9
12.	$\text{OH} + \text{HNO}_3 \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{NO}_3$	$k_0 = 7.2 \times 10^{-15} e^{(785/T)}$ $k_2 = 4.1 \times 10^{-16} e^{(1440/T)}$	9

$$k_3 = 1.9 \times 10^{-33} e^{(725/T)}$$

$$k = k_0 + (k_3 \times [M] / (1 + k_3 \times [M] / k_2))$$

13.	$\text{H}_2\text{O}_2 + \text{OH} \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{HO}_2$	$2.9 \times 10^{-12} e^{(-160/T)}$	9
14.	$\text{OH} + \text{HO}_2\text{NO}_2 \rightarrow \text{NO}_2 + \text{HO}_2 + \text{OH}$	$1.3 \times 10^{-12} e^{(380/T)}$	9
15.	$\text{OH} + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{O}_2$	$4.8 \times 10^{-11} e^{(250/T)}$	9
16.	$\text{OH} + \text{HONO} \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{NO}_2$	$1.8 \times 10^{-11} e^{(390/T)}$	9
17.	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_5 + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{C}_2\text{H}_4 + \text{HO}_2$	$2 \times 10^{-14}$	9,b
18.	$\text{OH} + \text{CH}_4 \rightarrow \text{CH}_3 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	$2.45 \times 10^{-12} e^{(-1775/T)}$	9
19.	$\text{O}({}^3\text{P}) + \text{CH}_3 \rightarrow \text{CH}_3\text{O}$	$1.1 \times 10^{-10}$	9
20.	$\text{CH}_3\text{O}_2 + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{CH}_3\text{OOH} + \text{O}_2$	$3.8 \times 10^{-13} e^{(800/T)}$	9
21.	$\text{CH}_3\text{OOH} + \text{OH} \rightarrow \text{CH}_3(\text{O})\text{O} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	$0.7 \times 3.8 \times 10^{-12} e^{(200/T)}$	9
22.	$\text{CH}_3\text{O} + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{CH}_2\text{O} + \text{HO}_2$	$3.9 \times 10^{-14} e^{(-900/T)}$	9
23.	$\text{OH} + \text{HCHO} \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{HCO}$	$8.8 \times 10^{-12} e^{(25/T)}$	9
24.	$\text{HCO} + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{CO} + \text{HO}_2$	$3.5 \times 10^{-12} e^{(140/T)}$	9
25.	$\text{CH}_3\text{O}_2 + \text{CH}_3\text{O}_2 \rightarrow 2\text{CH}_3\text{O} + \text{O}_2$ 29%	$0.29 \times 2.5 \times 10^{-13} e^{(190/T)}$	9
26.	$\text{NO} + \text{CH}_3\text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{NO}_2 + \text{CH}_3\text{O}$	$3 \times 10^{-12} e^{(280/T)}$	9
27.	$\text{NO} + \text{O}_3 \rightarrow \text{NO}_2 + \text{O}_2$	$2 \times 10^{-12} e^{(-1400/T)}$	9
28.	$\text{NO} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow 2\text{NO}_2$	$1.5 \times 10^{-11} e^{(170/T)}$	9
29.	$\text{NO}_3 + \text{HCHO} \rightarrow \text{Products}$	$5.8 \times 10^{-16}$	9,b
30.	$\text{HO}_2 + \text{SO}_2 \rightarrow \text{Products}$	$1 \times 10^{-18}$	9,b
31.	$\text{N}_2\text{O}_5 + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow 2\text{HNO}_3$	$2.5 \times 10^{-22}$	9,b
32.	$\text{NO}_2 + \text{O}_3 \rightarrow \text{NO}_3 + \text{O}_2$	$1.2 \times 10^{-13} e^{(-2450/T)}$	9
33.	$\text{OH} + \text{O}({}^3\text{P}) \rightarrow \text{H} + \text{O}_2$	$2.2 \times 10^{-11} e^{(120/T)}$	9
34.	$\text{O}({}^3\text{P}) + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{OH} + \text{O}_2$	$3 \times 10^{-11} e^{(200/T)}$	9
35.	$\text{H}_2\text{O}_2 + \text{O}({}^3\text{P}) \rightarrow \text{OH} + \text{HO}_2$	$1.4 \times 10^{-12} e^{(-2000/T)}$	9
36.	$\text{OH} + \text{OH} \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{O}({}^3\text{P})$	$4.2 \times 10^{-12} e^{(-240/T)}$	9
37.	$\text{O}_3 + \text{Alkenes} \rightarrow \text{Products}$	$1.2 \times 10^{-14} e^{(-2630/T)}$	9,b
38.	$\text{NO}_3 + \text{CO} \rightarrow \text{Products}$	$4 \times 10^{-19}$	9,b
39.	$\text{OH} + \text{CH}_3\text{OOH} \rightarrow \text{CH}_2\text{OOH} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{CH}_2\text{O} + \text{OH} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	$0.3 \times 3.8 \times 10^{-12} e^{(200/T)}$	9
40.	$\text{O}({}^3\text{P}) + \text{HCHO} \rightarrow \text{OH} + \text{HCO}$	$3.4 \times 10^{-11} e^{(-1600/T)}$	9
41.	$\text{HCHO} + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{HO}_2\text{CH}_2\text{O}$	$6.7 \times 10^{-15} e^{(600/T)}$	9
42.	$\text{H} + \text{O}_3 \rightarrow \text{OH} + \text{O}_2$	$1.4 \times 10^{-10} e^{(-470/T)}$	9

43.	$\text{HO}_2 + \text{H} \rightarrow 2\text{OH}$	$0.9 \times 8.1 \times 10^{-11}$	9
44.	$\text{O}(^3\text{P}) + \text{HO}_2\text{NO}_2 \rightarrow \text{Products}$	$7.8 \times 10^{-11} e^{(-3400/T)}$	9
45.	$\text{O}(^1\text{D}) + \text{O}_3 \rightarrow 2\text{O}_2$	$1.2 \times 10^{-10}$	9
46.	$\text{O}(^1\text{D}) + \text{O}_3 \rightarrow \text{O}_2 + 2\text{O}$	$1.2 \times 10^{-10}$	9
47.	$\text{CH}_3\text{O}_2 + \text{SO}_2 \rightarrow \text{Products}$	$5 \times 10^{-17}$	10, b
48.	$\text{NO}_3 + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{OH} + \text{NO}_2 + \text{O}_2$	$3.5 \times 10^{-12}$	9
49.	$\text{CH}_3 + \text{O}_3 \rightarrow \text{Products}$	$5.4 \times 10^{-12} e^{(-220/T)}$	9
50.	$\text{SO}_2 + \text{O}_3 \rightarrow \text{SO}_3 + \text{O}_2$	$3 \times 10^{-12} e^{(-7000/T)}$	9, b
51.	$\text{NO}_3 + \text{OH} \rightarrow \text{NO}_2 + \text{HO}_2$	$2.2 \times 10^{-11}$	9
52.	$\text{O}_3 + \text{O}(^3\text{P}) \rightarrow 2\text{O}_2$	$8 \times 10^{-12} e^{(-2060/T)}$	9
53.	$\text{O}_3 + \text{HONO} \rightarrow \text{O}_2 + \text{HNO}_3$	$5 \times 10^{-19}$	9, b
54.	$\text{CH}_3\text{O}_2 + \text{O}_3 \rightarrow \text{Products}$	$3 \times 10^{-17}$	9, b
55.	$\text{NO}_3 + \text{Alkenes} \rightarrow \text{HOCH}_2\text{CH}_2 + \text{NO}_2$	$3 \times 10^{-14}$	10
56.	$\text{SO}_2 + \text{NO}_2 \rightarrow \text{Products}$	$2 \times 10^{-26}$	10, b
57.	$\text{NO}_3 + \text{Alkanes} \rightarrow \text{C}_2\text{H}_5 + \text{HNO}_3$	$3.6 \times 10^{-17}$	10
58.	$\text{CH}_3\text{O}_2 + \text{CH}_3\text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{CH}_2\text{O} + \text{CH}_3\text{OH} + \text{O}_2$	$0.71 \times 2.5 \times 10^{-13} e^{(190/T)}$	9
59.	$\text{NO}_2 + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow \text{NO} + \text{NO}_2 + \text{O}_2$	$4.5 \times 10^{-14} e^{(-1260/T)}$	9
60.	$\text{OH} + \text{Alkanes} \rightarrow \text{C}_2\text{H}_5 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	$1.1 \times 10^{-11} e^{(-1100/T)}$	10
61.	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{O}_2 + \text{NO} \rightarrow \text{NO}_2 + \text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{O}$	$2.6 \times 10^{-12} e^{(365/T)}$	9
62.	$\text{CH}_3\text{CHO} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow$ $\text{HNO}_3 + \text{CH}_3\text{CO} (\rightarrow \text{CH}_3\text{C}(\text{O})\text{O}_2)$	$1.4 \times 10^{-12} e^{(-1900/T)}$	9
63.	$\text{CH}_3\text{CHO} + \text{O}(^3\text{P}) \rightarrow$ $\text{OH} + \text{CH}_3\text{CO} (\rightarrow \text{CH}_3\text{C}(\text{O})\text{O}_2)$	$1.8 \times 10^{-11} e^{(-1100/T)}$	9
64.	$\text{CH}_3\text{CHO} + \text{OH} \rightarrow$ $\text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{CH}_3\text{CO} (\rightarrow \text{CH}_3\text{C}(\text{O})\text{O}_2)$	$5.6 \times 10^{-12} e^{(270/T)}$	9
65.	$\text{O}(^3\text{P}) + \text{H}_2 \rightarrow \text{OH} + \text{H}$	$4.11 \times 10^{-18}$	10
66.	$\text{NO} + \text{CH}_3\text{C}(\text{O})\text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{NO}_2 + \text{CH}_3 + \text{CO}_2$	$5.3 \times 10^{-12} e^{(360/T)}$	9
67.	$\text{OH} + \text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OOH} \rightarrow \text{C}_2\text{H}_4\text{OOH} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	$3.64 \times 10^{-12}$	10
68.	$\text{OH} + \text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OOH} \rightarrow \text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{O}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	$5.95 \times 10^{-12}$	10
69.	$\text{NO}_2 + \text{O}(^3\text{P}) \rightarrow \text{NO} + \text{O}_2$	$6.5 \times 10^{-12} e^{(120/T)}$	9
70.	$\text{NO}_3 + \text{O}(^3\text{P}) \rightarrow \text{NO}_2 + \text{O}_2$	$1 \times 10^{-11}$	9
71.	$\text{HNO}_3 + \text{O}(^3\text{P}) \rightarrow \text{NO}_3 + \text{OH}$	$3 \times 10^{-17}$	9, b
71.	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{O} + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{CH}_3\text{CHO} + \text{HO}_2$	$6.3 \times 10^{-14} e^{(-550/T)}$	9
73.	$\text{HO}_2\text{CH}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{HO}_2 + \text{CH}_2\text{O}$	$2.4 \times 10^{12} e^{(-7000/T)}$	10

74.  $\text{HO}_2\text{CH}_2\text{O} + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{HCOOH} + \text{O}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$   $5.6 \times 10^{-15} e^{(2300/T)}$  10

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75.	$\text{I} + \text{O}_3 \rightarrow \text{IO} + \text{O}_2$	$2 \times 10^{-11} e^{(-890/T)}$	9
76.	$\text{I} + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{HI} + \text{O}_2$	$1.5 \times 10^{-11} e^{(-1190/T)}$	9
77.	$\text{IO} + \text{NO} \rightarrow \text{I} + \text{NO}_2$	$7.3 \times 10^{-12} e^{(330/T)}$	9
78.	$\text{IO} + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{HOI} + \text{O}_2$	$5.8 \times 10^{-11}$	9
79.	$\text{IO} + \text{IO} \rightarrow \text{OIO} + \text{I} / \text{I}_2\text{O}_2$	$8.6 \times 10^{-11}$	11
80.	$\text{IO} + \text{OIO} (+\text{M}) \rightarrow \text{I}_2\text{O}_3$	$1.5 \times 10^{-11}$	11
81.	$\text{IONO}_2 \rightarrow \text{IO} + \text{NO}_2$	$2.07 \times 10^{15} e^{(-11859/T)}$	9
82.	$\text{OH} + \text{HI} \rightarrow \text{I} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	$3 \times 10^{-11}$	9
83.	$\text{HOI} + \text{OH} \rightarrow \text{IO} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	$2 \times 10^{-13}$	9
84.	$\text{IO} + \text{DMS} \rightarrow \text{Products}$	$1.2 \times 10^{-14}$	9
85.	$\text{INO}_2 \rightarrow \text{I} + \text{NO}_2$	$(2.4 / 0.005) \times 2.07 \times 10^{15} e^{(-11859/T)}$	9
86.	$\text{Br} + \text{O}_3 \rightarrow \text{BrO} + \text{O}_2$	$1.7 \times 10^{-11} e^{(-800/T)}$	9
87.	$\text{HBr} + \text{OH} \rightarrow \text{Br} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	$1.1 \times 10^{-11}$	9
88.	$\text{Br} + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{HBr} + \text{O}_2$	$1.5 \times 10^{-11} e^{(-600/T)}$	9
89.	$\text{Br} + \text{HCHO} \rightarrow \text{HBr} + \text{HCO}$	$7.7 \times 10^{-13} e^{(-580/T)}$	9
90.	$\text{Br} + \text{CH}_3\text{CHO} \rightarrow \text{HBr} + \text{CH}_3\text{CO}$	$1.8 \times 10^{-12} e^{(-460/T)}$	9
91.	$\text{BrO} + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{HOBr} + \text{O}_2$	$3.4 \times 10^{-12} e^{(540/T)}$	9
92.	$\text{BrO} + \text{NO} \rightarrow \text{Br} + \text{NO}_2$	$8.8 \times 10^{-12} e^{(260/T)}$	9
93.	$\text{BrO} + \text{CH}_3\text{SCH}_3 \rightarrow \text{CH}_3\text{SOCH}_3 + \text{Br}$	$1.5 \times 10^{-14} e^{(850/T)}$	9
94.	$\text{BrO} + \text{BrO} \rightarrow 2\text{Br} + \text{O}_2$	$2.4 \times 10^{-12} e^{(40/T)}$	9
95.	$\text{BrO} + \text{BrO} \rightarrow \text{Br}_2 + \text{O}_2$	$2.8 \times 10^{-14} e^{(860/T)}$	9
96.	$\text{BrONO}_2 \rightarrow \text{BrO} + \text{NO}_2$	$2.8 \times 10^{13} e^{-(12360/T)}$	12
97.	$\text{BrO} + \text{IO} \rightarrow \text{Br} + \text{I} + \text{O}_2 / \text{Br} + \text{OIO}$	$1.5 \times 10^{-12} e^{(510/T)}$	9
98.	$\text{Cl} + \text{CH}_4 \rightarrow \text{HCl} + \text{CH}_3$	$1.1 \times 10^{-11} e^{(-1400/T)}$	9
99.	$\text{HCl} + \text{OH} \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{Cl}$	$2.6 \times 10^{-12} e^{(-350/T)}$	9
100.	$\text{Cl} + \text{O}_3 \rightarrow \text{ClO} + \text{O}_2$	$2.9 \times 10^{-11} e^{(-260/T)}$	9
101.	$\text{ClO} + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{HOCl} + \text{O}_2$	$5.0 \times 10^{-12} e^{(700/T)}$	9
102.	$\text{ClO} + \text{NO} \rightarrow \text{Cl} + \text{NO}_2$	$6.4 \times 10^{-12} e^{(290/T)}$	9
103.	$\text{ClO} + \text{IO} \rightarrow 0.2 (\text{I} + \text{Cl} + \text{O}_2)$	$1.3 \times 10^{-12} e^{(280/T)}$	9
104.	$\text{Cl} + \text{Alkanes} \rightarrow \text{HCl} + \text{CH}_3\text{OO}$	$5.7 \times 10^{-11} e^{(-90/T)}$	9, 10
105.	$\text{Cl} + \text{Alkenes} \rightarrow \text{HCl} + \text{CH}_3\text{OO}$	$1.0 \times 10^{-10}$	9, 10

106.	$\text{Cl} + \text{HCHO} \rightarrow \text{HCl} + \text{HO}_2 + \text{CO}$	$7.3 \times 10^{-11} e^{(-30/T)}$	9
107.	$\text{ClO} + \text{CH}_3\text{OO} \rightarrow \text{Cl} + \text{HCHO} + \text{HO}_2$	$2.2 \times 10^{-12} e^{(-115/T)}$	9
108.	$\text{ClO} + \text{ClO} \rightarrow \text{Cl}_2\text{O}_2$	$3.5 \times 10^{-13}$	9
109.	$\text{Cl}_2\text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{ClO} + \text{ClO}$	50	9
110.	$\text{ClONO}_2 \rightarrow \text{ClO} + \text{NO}_2$	0.0022	9
111.	$\text{Cl} + \text{ClONO}_2 \rightarrow \text{Cl}_2 + \text{NO}_3$	$9.6 \times 10^{-12} e^{(140/T)}$	9
112.	$\text{Cl} + \text{H}_2\text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{HCl} + \text{HO}_2$	$4.1 \times 10^{-13} e^{(-980/T)}$	9
113.	$\text{Br}_2 + \text{Cl} \rightarrow \text{BrCl} + \text{Br}$	$1.2 \times 10^{-10} e^{(-260/T)}$	9, 10
114.	$\text{BrCl} + \text{Br} \rightarrow \text{Br}_2 + \text{Cl}$	$3.3 \times 10^{-15}$	9, 10
115.	$\text{Cl}_2 + \text{Br} \rightarrow \text{BrCl} + \text{Cl}$	$1.1 \times 10^{-15}$	9, 10
116.	$\text{BrCl} + \text{Cl} \rightarrow \text{Cl}_2 + \text{Br}$	$1.5 \times 10^{-11}$	9, 10
117.	$\text{ClO} + \text{BrO} \rightarrow \text{Br} + \text{OCIO}$	$6.0 \times 10^{-12} e^{(550/T)}$	9, 10
118.	$\text{ClO} + \text{BrO} \rightarrow \text{Br} + \text{Cl} + \text{O}_2$	$5.6 \times 10^{-12} e^{(260/T)}$	9, 10
119.	$\text{ClO} + \text{BrO} \rightarrow \text{BrCl} + \text{O}_2$	$1.1 \times 10^{-12} e^{(290/T)}$	9, 10

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**Recombination Reactions**

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1.	$\text{O}({}^1\text{D}) + \text{N}_2 (+\text{M}) \rightarrow \text{N}_2\text{O} (+\text{M})$	$[\text{M}] \times 3.5 \times 10^{-37} \times (\text{T} / 300)^{-0.6}$	9
2.	$\text{HO}_2 + \text{HO}_2 (+\text{M}) \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O}_2 (+\text{M})$	$[\text{M}] \times 1.7 \times 10^{-33} e^{(1000/T)}$	9
3.	$\text{H} + \text{O}_2 (+\text{M}) \rightarrow \text{HO}_2 (+\text{M})$	$k_0 = 5.7 \times 10^{-32} \times (\text{T} / 300)^{-1.6}$ $k_\infty = 7.5 \times 10^{-11}$	9
4.	$\text{O}_2 + \text{O}({}^3\text{P}) \rightarrow \text{O}_3$	$[\text{M}] \times 6 \times 10^{-34} \times (\text{T} / 300)^{-2.3}$	9
5.	$\text{NO}_2 + \text{OH} \rightarrow \text{HNO}_3$	$k_0 = 2.5 \times 10^{-30} \times (\text{T} / 300)^{-4.4}$ $k_\infty = 1.6 \times 10^{-11} \times (\text{T} / 300)^{-1.7}$	9
6.	$\text{NO} + \text{OH} (+\text{M}) \rightarrow \text{HONO} (+\text{M})$	$k_0 = 7 \times 10^{-31} \times (\text{T} / 300)^{-2.6}$ $k_\infty = 1.5 \times 10^{-11} \times (\text{T} / 300)^{-0.5}$	9
7.	$\text{HO}_2 + \text{NO}_2 (+\text{M}) \rightarrow \text{HO}_2\text{NO}_2 (+\text{M})$	$k_0 = 1.8 \times 10^{-31} \times (\text{T} / 300)^{-3.2}$ $k_\infty = 4.7 \times 10^{-12} \times (\text{T} / 300)^{-1.4}$	9
8.	$\text{HO}_2\text{NO}_2 \rightarrow \text{HO}_2 + \text{NO}_2$	$k_R = k_F / k_{\text{EQ}}$ $k_R = k_F / (2.1 \times 10^{-27} e^{(10900/T)})$	9
9.	$\text{O}_2 + \text{CH}_3 (+\text{M}) \rightarrow \text{CH}_3\text{O}_2 (+\text{M})$	$k_0 = 4.5 \times 10^{-31} \times (\text{T} / 300)^{-3}$ $k_\infty = 1.8 \times 10^{-12} \times (\text{T} / 300)^{-1.7}$	9
10.	$\text{NO}_2 + \text{NO}_3 (+\text{M}) \rightarrow \text{N}_2\text{O}_5 (+\text{M})$	$k_0 = 2.2 \times 10^{-30} \times (\text{T} / 300)^{-3.9}$ $k_\infty = 1.5 \times 10^{-12} \times (\text{T} / 300)^{-0.7}$	9

11.	$\text{N}_2\text{O}_5 (+ \text{N}_2) \rightarrow \text{NO}_2 + \text{NO}_3 (+ \text{N}_2)$	$k_R = k_F / k_{EQ}$	9
		$k_R = k_F / (2.7 \times 10^{-27} e^{(11000/T)})$	
12.	$\text{OH} + \text{OH} (+ \text{M}) \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O}_2 (+ \text{M})$	$k_0 = 6.2 \times 10^{-31} \times (T / 300)^{-1}$	9
		$k_{\infty} = 2.6 \times 10^{-11}$	
13.	$\text{NO} + \text{O}({}^3\text{P}) (+ \text{M}) \rightarrow \text{NO}_2 (+ \text{M})$	$k_0 = 9 \times 10^{-32} \times (T / 300)^{-1.5}$	9
		$k_{\infty} = 3 \times 10^{-11}$	
14.	$\text{NO}_2 + \text{O}({}^3\text{P}) (+ \text{M}) \rightarrow \text{NO}_3 (+ \text{M})$	$k_0 = 9 \times 10^{-32} \times (T / 300)^{-2}$	9
		$k_{\infty} = 2.2 \times 10^{-11}$	
15.	$\text{SO}_2 + \text{OH} (+ \text{M}) \rightarrow \text{HOSO}_2 (+ \text{M})$	$k_0 = 3 \times 10^{-31} \times (T / 300)^{-3.3}$	9
		$k_{\infty} = 1.5 \times 10^{-12}$	
16.	$\text{CH}_3\text{C}(\text{O})\text{O}_2 + \text{NO}_2 (+ \text{M}) \rightarrow \text{PAN} (+ \text{M})$	$k_0 = 9.7 \times 10^{-29} \times (T / 300)^{-5.6}$	9
		$k_{\infty} = 9.3 \times 10^{-12} \times (T / 300)^{-1.5}$	
17.	$\text{PAN} (+ \text{M}) \rightarrow \text{CH}_3\text{C}(\text{O})\text{O}_2 + \text{NO}_2 (+ \text{M})$	$k_R = k_F / k_{EQ}$	9
		$k_R = k_F / (9 \times 10^{-29} e^{(14000/T)})$	
18.	$\text{OH} + \text{Alkenes} (+ \text{M}) \rightarrow \text{HOCH}_2\text{CH}_2 (+ \text{M})$	$k_0 = 1.5 \times 10^{-28} \times (T / 300)^{-0.8}$	9, 10
		$k_{\infty} = 8.8 \times 10^{-12}$	
19.	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_5 + \text{O}_2 (+ \text{M}) \rightarrow \text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{O}_2 (+ \text{M})$	$k_0 = 1.5 \times 10^{-28} \times (T / 300)^{-3.8}$	9
		$k_{\infty} = 8 \times 10^{-12}$	
20.	$\text{NO}_2 + \text{CH}_3\text{O}_2 (+ \text{M}) \rightarrow \text{CH}_3\text{O}_2\text{NO}_2 (+ \text{M})$	$k_0 = 1.5 \times 10^{-30} \times (T / 300)^{-4}$	9
		$k_{\infty} = 6.5 \times 10^{-12} \times (T / 300)^{-2}$	
21.	$\text{CH}_3\text{O}_2\text{NO}_2 \rightarrow \text{CH}_3\text{O}_2 + \text{NO}_2$	$k_R = k_F / k_{EQ}$	9
		$k_R = k_F / (1.3 \times 10^{-28} e^{(11200/T)})$	
22.	$\text{I} + \text{NO}_2 (+ \text{M}) \rightarrow \text{INO}_2 (+ \text{M})$	$k_0 = 3 \times 10^{-31} \times (T / 300)^{-1}$	9
		$k_{\infty} = 6.6 \times 10^{-11}$	
		$F_c = e^{(-T/650)} + e^{(-2600/T)}$	
23.	$\text{IO} + \text{NO}_2 (+ \text{M}) \rightarrow \text{IONO}_2 (+ \text{M})$	$k_0 = 7.7 \times 10^{-31} \times (T / 300)^{-5}$	9
		$k_{\infty} = 1.6 \times 10^{-11}$	
		$F_c = 0.4$	
24.	$\text{Br} + \text{NO}_2 + \text{M} \rightarrow \text{BrNO}_2$	$k_0 = 4.2 \times 10^{-31} \times (T / 300)^{-2.4}$	9
		$k_{\infty} = 2.7 \times 10^{-11} \times (T / 300)^{-0}$	
25.	$\text{BrO} + \text{NO}_2 + \text{M} \rightarrow \text{BrONO}_2$	$k_0 = 5.2 \times 10^{-31} \times (T / 300)^{-3.2}$	9
		$k_{\infty} = 6.9 \times 10^{-12} \times (T / 300)^{-2.9}$	
25.	$\text{ClO} + \text{NO}_2 + \text{M} \rightarrow \text{ClONO}_2$	$k_0 = 1.6.2 \times 10^{-31} \times (T / 300)^{-3.4}$	9

$$k_s = 1.5 \times 10^{-11}$$

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	<b>Photochemical Reactions</b>	<b>References</b>
J1.	$O_3 + h\nu \rightarrow O_2 + O(^1D)$	<sup>9, 10, c</sup>
J2.	$H_2O_2 + h\nu \rightarrow 2OH$	<sup>9, 10, c</sup>
J3.	$HNO_3 + h\nu \rightarrow OH + NO_2$	<sup>9, 10, c</sup>
J4.	$HO_2NO_2 + h\nu \rightarrow OH + NO_3$	<sup>9, 10, c</sup>
J5.	$HONO + h\nu \rightarrow OH + NO$	<sup>9, 10, c</sup>
J6.	$CH_3OOH + h\nu \rightarrow CH_3O + OH$	<sup>9, 10, c</sup>
J7.	$CH_2O + h\nu \rightarrow HCO + H$	<sup>9, 10, c</sup>
J8.	$CH_2O + h\nu \rightarrow CO + H_2$	<sup>9, 10, c</sup>
J9.	$NO_2 + h\nu \rightarrow NO + O$	<sup>9, 10, c</sup>
J10.	$NO_3 + h\nu \rightarrow NO_2 + O$	<sup>9, 10, c</sup>
J11.	$N_2O_5 + h\nu \rightarrow NO_2 + NO_3$	<sup>9, 10, c</sup>
J12.	$C_2H_5O_2H + h\nu \rightarrow OH + C_2H_5O$	<sup>9, 10, c</sup>
J13.	$CH_3CHO + h\nu \rightarrow CH_3 + HCO$	<sup>9, 10, c</sup>
J15.	$PAN (CH_3C(O)O_2NO_2) + h\nu \rightarrow CH_3C(O)O_2 + NO_2$	<sup>9, 10, c</sup>
J16.	$NO_3 + h\nu \rightarrow NO + O_2$	<sup>9, 10, c</sup>
J17.	$CH_3I + h\nu \rightarrow CH_3 + I$	<sup>9, 10, c</sup>
J18.	$CH_2I_2 + h\nu \rightarrow CH_2I + I \rightarrow CH_2 + 2I$	<sup>9, 10, c</sup>
J19.	$CH_2IBr + h\nu \rightarrow CH_2Br + I$	<sup>9, 10, c</sup>
J20.	$I_2 + h\nu \rightarrow 2I$	<sup>9, 10, c</sup>
J21.	$INO_2 + h\nu \rightarrow I + NO_2 / IO + NO$	<sup>9, 10, c</sup>
J22.	$IO + h\nu \rightarrow I + O$	<sup>9, 10, c</sup>
J23.	$OIO + h\nu \rightarrow I + O_2$	<sup>9, 10, c</sup>
J24.	$IONO_2 + h\nu \rightarrow I + NO_3$	<sup>9, 10, c</sup>



J25.	$\text{HOI} + h\nu \rightarrow \text{I} + \text{OH}$	<sup>9, 10</sup> ,c
J26.	$\text{BrO} + h\nu \rightarrow \text{Br} + \text{O}$	<sup>9, 10</sup> ,c
J27.	$\text{Br}_2 + h\nu \rightarrow 2\text{Br}$	<sup>9, 10</sup> ,c
J28.	$\text{IBr} + h\nu \rightarrow \text{Br} + \text{I}$	<sup>9, 10</sup> ,c
J29.	$\text{BrCl} + h\nu \rightarrow \text{Br} + \text{Cl}$	<sup>9, 10</sup> ,c
J30.	$\text{BrNO}_2 + h\nu \rightarrow \text{Br} + \text{NO}_2$	<sup>9, 10</sup> ,c
J31.	$\text{BrONO}_2 + h\nu \rightarrow$ $0.7 (\text{BrO} + \text{NO}_2) / 0.3 (\text{Br} + \text{NO}_3)$	<sup>9, 10</sup> ,c
J32.	$\text{HOBr} + h\nu \rightarrow \text{Br} + \text{OH}$	<sup>9, 10</sup> ,c
J33.	$\text{Cl}_2 + h\nu \rightarrow 2\text{Cl}$	<sup>9, 10</sup> ,c
J34.	$\text{ICl} + h\nu \rightarrow \text{I} + \text{Cl}$	<sup>9, 10</sup> ,c
J35.	$\text{ClO} + h\nu \rightarrow \text{Cl} + \text{O}$	<sup>9, 10</sup> ,c
J36.	$\text{HOCl} + h\nu \rightarrow \text{Cl} + \text{OH}$	<sup>9, 10</sup> ,c
J37.	$\text{ClNO}_2 + h\nu \rightarrow \text{Cl} + \text{NO}_2$	<sup>9, 10</sup> ,c
J38.	$\text{ClONO}_2 + h\nu \rightarrow$ $0.9 (\text{Cl} + \text{NO}_3) / 0.1 (\text{ClO} + \text{NO}_2)$	<sup>9, 10</sup> ,c

Species	Deposition velocities, $\text{cm s}^{-1}$	References
HOI	1.0	13
HOBr	1.0	d
HOCl	1.0	d
HBr	2.0	d
HCl	2.0	d
HI	1.0	13
BrONO <sub>2</sub>	1.0	d
IONO <sub>2</sub>	1.0	13
ClONO <sub>2</sub>	1.0	d
INO <sub>2</sub>	1.0	d

<sup>a</sup>Units: unimolecular reactions, s<sup>-1</sup>; photolysis rate constants, s<sup>-1</sup>; bimolecular reactions, cm<sup>3</sup> molecule<sup>-1</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>; termolecular reactions, cm<sup>6</sup> molecule<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>, calculated using the formalism of *Sander et al. (2006)*<sup>9</sup>, where  $k = ((k_o [M]/(1 + k_o[M]/k_{\infty})) \times F_c^n)$ ,  $F_c = 0.6$  (unless otherwise noted) and  $n = (1 + (\log_{10}(k_o[M]/k_{\infty}))^2)^{-1}$ .

<sup>b</sup>set as upper limit.

<sup>c</sup>absorption cross-sections taken from *Atkinson et al., 2000*<sup>10</sup>.

<sup>d</sup>deposition velocities estimated.

**Table S2. QLL Reactions and Rate Constants used in the THAMO model simulations.**

#	Reactions	Rate Constants	References
1.	HOI + I <sup>-</sup> + H <sup>+</sup> → I <sub>2</sub> + H <sub>2</sub> O	4.4 x 10 <sup>12</sup> M <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> /(volumetric) <sup>2</sup>	14
2.	I <sub>2</sub> + H <sub>2</sub> O → HOI + I <sup>-</sup> + H <sup>+</sup>	0 s <sup>-1</sup>	
3.	HOI + Br <sup>-</sup> + H <sup>+</sup> → IBr + H <sub>2</sub> O	3.3 x 10 <sup>12</sup> M <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> /(volumetric) <sup>2</sup>	15
4.	IBr + H <sub>2</sub> O → HOI + Br <sup>-</sup> + H <sup>+</sup>	8.0 x 10 <sup>5</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>	15
5.	HOI + Cl <sup>-</sup> + H <sup>+</sup> → ICl + H <sub>2</sub> O	2.9 x 10 <sup>10</sup> M <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> /(volumetric) <sup>2</sup>	16
6.	ICl + H <sub>2</sub> O → HOI + Cl <sup>-</sup> + H <sup>+</sup>	2.4 x 10 <sup>6</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>	16
7.	HOBr + Br <sup>-</sup> + H <sup>+</sup> → Br <sub>2</sub> + H <sub>2</sub> O	1.6 x 10 <sup>10</sup> M <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> /(volumetric) <sup>2</sup>	17
8.	Br <sub>2</sub> + H <sub>2</sub> O → HOBr + Br <sup>-</sup> + H <sup>+</sup>	9.7 x 10 <sup>1</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>	17
9.	HOBr + Cl <sup>-</sup> + H <sup>+</sup> → BrCl + H <sub>2</sub> O	5.6 x 10 <sup>9</sup> M <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> /(volumetric) <sup>2</sup>	18
10.	BrCl + H <sub>2</sub> O → HOBr + Cl <sup>-</sup> + H <sup>+</sup>	1.0 x 10 <sup>5</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>	18
11.	BrCl + Br <sup>-</sup> → Br <sub>2</sub> Cl <sup>-</sup>	5.0 x 10 <sup>9</sup> M <sup>-1</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> /(volumetric)	18
12.	Br <sub>2</sub> Cl <sup>-</sup> → BrCl + Br <sup>-</sup>	2.8 x 10 <sup>5</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>	18
13.	Br <sub>2</sub> Cl <sup>-</sup> → Br <sub>2</sub> + Cl <sup>-</sup>	3.8 x 10 <sup>9</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>	18
14.	Br <sub>2</sub> + Cl <sup>-</sup> → Br <sub>2</sub> Cl <sup>-</sup>	5.0 x 10 <sup>9</sup> M <sup>-1</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> /(volumetric)	18
15.	BrCl + Cl <sup>-</sup> → BrCl <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	5.0 x 10 <sup>9</sup> M <sup>-1</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> /(volumetric)	19
16.	BrCl <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup> → BrCl + Cl <sup>-</sup>	1.3 x 10 <sup>9</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>	19
17.	HOBr + I <sup>-</sup> → IBr + OH <sup>-</sup>	5.0 x 10 <sup>9</sup> M <sup>-1</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> /(volumetric)	20
18.	HOCl + Cl <sup>-</sup> + H <sup>+</sup> → Cl <sub>2</sub> + H <sub>2</sub> O	2.2 x 10 <sup>4</sup> e <sup>(-3508/T)</sup> M <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> /(volumetric) <sup>2</sup>	21
19.	Cl <sub>2</sub> + H <sub>2</sub> O → HOCl + Cl <sup>-</sup> + H <sup>+</sup>	2.2 x 10 <sup>1</sup> e <sup>(-8012/T)</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>	21

20.	$\text{HOCl} + \text{Br}^- + \text{H}^+ \rightarrow \text{BrCl} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	$3.5 \times 10^{11} \text{ M}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}/(\text{volumetric})^2$	22
21.	$\text{BrCl} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{HOCl} + \text{Br}^- + \text{H}^+$	$0 \text{ s}^{-1}$	
22.	$\text{HOCl} + \text{I}^- + \text{H}^+ \rightarrow \text{ICl} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	$3.9 \times 10^{-14} e^{(-900/T)}$ $\text{M}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}/(\text{volumetric})^2$	23
23.	$\text{ICl} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{HOCl} + \text{I}^- + \text{H}^+$	$0 \text{ s}^{-1}$	

**Table S3. Henry Constants used in the THAMO model simulations.**

Species	Henry Constants	References
IO	$4.5 \times 10^2 e^{(5862(1/T - 1/T_0))} \text{ M atm}^{-1}$	24
HOI	$4.5 \times 10^2 e^{(5862(1/T - 1/T_0))} \text{ M atm}^{-1}$	24, 25
I <sub>2</sub>	$3.0 \times 10^0 e^{(4431(1/T - 1/T_0))} \text{ M atm}^{-1}$	26
ICl	$1.1 \times 10^2 e^{(5600(1/T - 1/T_0))} \text{ M atm}^{-1}$	27
IBr	$2.4 \times 10^1 e^{(5600(1/T - 1/T_0))} \text{ M atm}^{-1}$	28
HOBr	$9.3 \times 10^1 e^{(5862(1/T - 1/T_0))} \text{ M atm}^{-1}$	24, 28
Br <sub>2</sub>	$7.6 \times 10^{-1} e^{(4094(1/T - 1/T_0))} \text{ M atm}^{-1}$	29
BrCl	$9.4 \times 10^{-1} e^{(5600(1/T - 1/T_0))} \text{ M atm}^{-1}$	25
HOCl	$6.7 \times 10^2 e^{(5862(1/T - 1/T_0))} \text{ M atm}^{-1}$	25
Cl <sub>2</sub>	$9.1 \times 10^{-2} e^{(2500(1/T - 1/T_0))} \text{ M atm}^{-1}$	30

## 2. Modelling experiments and results

In this work, THAMO is configured to simulate an air mass moving during five days from the land/ocean, passing over coastal sea ice, to the location of the NEEM ice core in Greenland (Figure S1). Several sensitivity runs were conducted to simulate scenarios with and without first-year sea ice along the trajectory of the air mass.

As the airmass moves, THAMO implements *i*) the release of bromine precursors from the ocean ( $\text{Br}_{\text{Flux}} \sim 1.5 \times 10^9 \text{ molecules cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  depending on actinic flux, and therefore describing a Gaussian profile peaking at midday), *ii*) the surface recycling of bromine in

the first-year sea ice, (according to bromine explosion cycle, reaction equations S1-S4) and *iii*) calculates the deposition of bromine at the NEEM location over the Greenland snowpack. Note that once the air mass reaches Greenland the “bromine explosion” ceases as the bromide content of snowpack over multiyear sea ice is negligible. The model is constrained with typical polar boundary layer mixing ratios:  $[O_3] = 3$  ppbv;  $[DMS] = 80$  pptv;  $[SO_2] = 15$  pptv,  $[CH_4] = 1,750$  ppbv;  $[CH_3CHO] = 150$  pptv;  $[HCHO] = 150$  pptv;  $[isoprene] = 60$  pptv;  $[propane] = 25$  pptv;  $[propene] = 15$  pptv<sup>31,32</sup>.

The model is run in three different scenarios; according to the time the air mass spends over ocean, first-year sea ice (with active surface recycling) and Greenland (with no surface recycling):

- Experiment 1: 24 hour over ocean, 24 hour over first-year sea ice and 72 hours over Greenland (Figure 2a).
- Experiment 2: 24 hour over ocean, 48 hour over first-year sea ice and 48 hours over Greenland (Figure 2b).
- Experiment 3: 24 hour over ocean and 96 hours over Greenland land ice (Figure 2c).

Figure 2 shows diurnal averages of the calculated bromine deposition and total gas phase bromine, together with the BrO concentration in the three different scenarios. Blue, grey and yellow shaded zones correspond to ocean, first-year sea ice and Greenland regions, respectively. The model is run to reach steady-state over the ocean, then as the air mass moves the presence of first-year sea ice enhances the amount of bromine in the air mass, increasing almost up to four times when the air mass spends 2 days over the sea ice. Therefore the eventual amount of bromine during the fifth day of simulation clearly depends on the extension of active (first-year) sea ice that the air mass encounters, e.g. on the time the air mass spends recycling bromine over the (first-year) sea ice surface. We simulate that 3, 15 and 30 pptv of total gas phase bromine are produced at the end of the simulation for the scenarios with 0 h, 24 h and 48 h over first-year sea ice, respectively. Finally, the deposition of bromine to ice during the last day of simulation is one order of magnitude higher in the scenario with two days of first-year sea ice, compared to that without first-year sea ice. Overall, the results show that the presence, and extent, of first-year sea ice on the coast of Greenland can have a

significant effect on the levels of bromine that are transported and deposited at the location of the NEEM ice core.

### **3. Arctic first-year sea ice**

Based on the evidence for a dominant westerly wind circulation pattern over northern Greenland described above, we consider the main regions of Arctic FYSI which could act as a source for the bromine enrichment observed at NEEM. In the following discussion we refer to the Arctic locations described in Figure S2. It is only during the satellite period, since 1979, that detailed observations of daily sea ice extent are available<sup>33</sup>. We compare two satellite observations showing an Arctic sea ice maximum (March 2015) and a following Arctic sea ice minimum (September 2015) to give an example of the regions where FYSI and MYSI are present in the Arctic (Fig S3). From the September sea ice minimum, it is clear that MYSI is centred on the central Arctic Ocean around the north pole and extending down to the north coast of Greenland and Canadian archipelago.

FYSI develops in the sectors of the Arctic Ocean that are not covered by MYSI. These can be primarily divided into three zonal regions: The Canadian Arctic, Hudson Bay and Baffin Bay; the Beaufort, Chukchi, East Siberian and Laptev seas; and the Barents and Kara seas. Of these, the Canadian Arctic, Baffin and Hudson bays are the FYSI areas located closest to, and directly upwind of, the NEEM ice core site. 10-day airmass back trajectories display more distant air mass origins corresponding to source regions in the Beaufort and Chukchi seas, and possibly also a minor contribution from the Sea of Okhotsk. These more distant regions cannot be discounted as a contributing, but minor, source of bromine enrichment.

### **4. Sources of sea salt and mineral aerosols deposited at NEEM**

The source of aerosols arriving at the NEEM ice core site have been established primarily by back-trajectory analysis. There is widespread agreement between several studies, of a westerly circulation system and airmasses sourced from northern North America (indicated by biomass burning proxies ammonium, black carbon and levoglucosan) and central Asia (indicated by dust geochemistry and provenance

studies). Gfeller et al.<sup>34</sup> describe a 30-year data set of 10-day air mass back-trajectories showing “that most of the air parcels arriving at NEEM are originating over northern North America and follow the Greenland coast to NEEM”. A brief review of biomass burning markers in the NEEM ice core (Zennaro et al., 2014<sup>35</sup>) finds varying levels of apportionment between northern North America (40 to 55%) and east Asia (20 to 40%) among three different studies of backtrajectory data. Most recently, Kang et al.<sup>36</sup> compiled daily 10-day air mass back-trajectories for the period September 2005-August 2006. They found air masses originated from various directions (including the Canadian Arctic, North America, and the North Atlantic) although “the major contributor to Greenland aerosols was an air mass passing over the Canadian Arctic and North America during the winter-spring seasons.”.

Considering that our enrichment model considers only a 5 day air mass history, we expect that sea salt aerosol will be incorporated into the dominant aerosol transport pattern as it travels toward the NEEM site. Such an interpretation is consistent with our apportionment of Baffin Bay and the Canadian sector of the Arctic Ocean as the likely sources of bromine enrichment observed at NEEM. Recent observational evidence of a bromine explosion event in the Canadian high Arctic (Zhao et al., 2015<sup>37</sup>) confirms a westerly circulation pattern and transport toward northwest Greenland.

## **5. NEEM ice core sampling resolution**

Samples were obtained from the Continuous Flow Analysis (CFA) system operated at the NEEM drilling site. One discrete sample was collected for each 1.10 m of melted ice, although not all discrete samples were analysed for Br and Na. Two considerations are necessary when interpreting the sample resolution: the frequency of sampling; and the number of years covered in each sample. Regarding the frequency of sampling, relatively few samples cover the Holocene (82 samples covering 1,411 m of ice and 10.5 ky) although there are more for the glacial (247 samples covering 800 m of ice and 110 ky). The samples are not evenly distributed, with 62 samples covering the past 3 ky and only 20 samples for the early Holocene. The densest sampling covered the period 25 to 50 ky ago (Figure 3b).

An additional consideration is the number of years integrated in each sample: for the late Holocene, each sample integrates only 4 to 6 years of deposition. For the early

Holocene, each sample integrates approximately 20 years, and for the glacial each sample integrates approximately 60 (“warm” glacial interstadial) to 120 (“cold” glacial stadial) years. This is due to the maintenance of a fixed sampling interval (1.10 m) over the length of the core, despite the thinning of each annual layer with depth.

## **6. Interpretation and quantification of Bromine enrichment in the NEEM ice core**

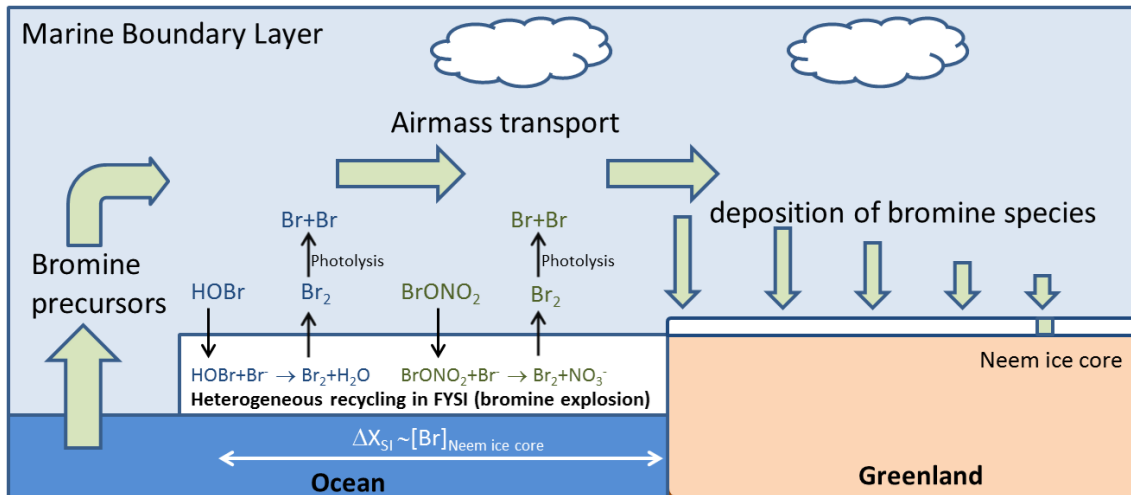
It is important to note that the absence of bromine recycling should not be exclusively interpreted as a lack of FYSI. Analogous to the careful interpretation required for sea ice diatom products (e.g.  $IP_{25}$ )<sup>38</sup>, the absence of Br enrichment can also occur in the absence of all forms of sea ice, that is, the presence of open ocean conditions. In this sense, the relation of Br enrichment to FYSI is multivariate and all available data must be taken into account when interpreting the data. In the case of the NEEM data presented here, we employ the  $\delta^{18}O$  paleotemperature proxy from the NGRIP ice core to evaluate overall temperature conditions. During the glacial period, when Arctic temperatures were at least 20 °C colder than the present<sup>39</sup>, it is unlikely that open ocean conditions existed within the Arctic Ocean. Hence, the absence of Br enrichment has been interpreted as an absence of FYSI rather than a presence of open waters in the Arctic Ocean.

The increased Br enrichment values observed during glacial interstadials and the Holocene are interpreted as a progressive increase in the proportion of FYSI coverage in the area sampled by airmasses arriving at the NEEM site. Consequently, the “maximum FYSI” case should also be considered: that the Br enrichment signal might be “saturated”. In this sense, “saturation” corresponds to a scenario in which the air mass sampling area is completely occupied by FYSI, but FYSI continues to extend beyond the area sampled. We evaluate the immediate sampling area of the NEEM site to include the Hudson and Baffin bays and the Canadian Archipelago. Of these, only Baffin Bay is open-sided, that is, available to unconstrained growth (Figure S4). The presence of MYSI in the Arctic Ocean under current climate conditions suggests that Br enrichment in the NEEM ice core is not currently “saturated” and that Br enrichment values may be expected to increase as MYSI sea ice extent is expected to decrease in future. Although there is a substantial data gap in the NEEM data corresponding to the

Holocene climate period, we have used the NEEM Br enrichment data and observed FYSI extent areas to produce a quantitative evaluation of FYSI extent in the Canadian Arctic during the early Holocene. Based on the backtrajectory studies described in the main text, we consider the Canadian Arctic to be the primary source of aerosols entrained and transported to the NEEM site. This aerosol entrainment area comprises the regions of Hudson Bay, Baffin Bay and the Canadian Archipelago (Figures S2 and S4). We assume that sea ice variability observed during the satellite era (1979-2013) can be considered representative of the late Holocene, due to the findings of Kinnard et al.<sup>40</sup>, indicating that the range of sea ice variability during the last 1,500 years was within the range observed by satellite. We note that the bromine enrichment values available for the early Holocene do not cover the warmest period of the Holocene Climate Optimum, and hence we consider our evaluation of  $10^6$  km<sup>2</sup> FYSI increase during the early Holocene to be a conservative estimate.



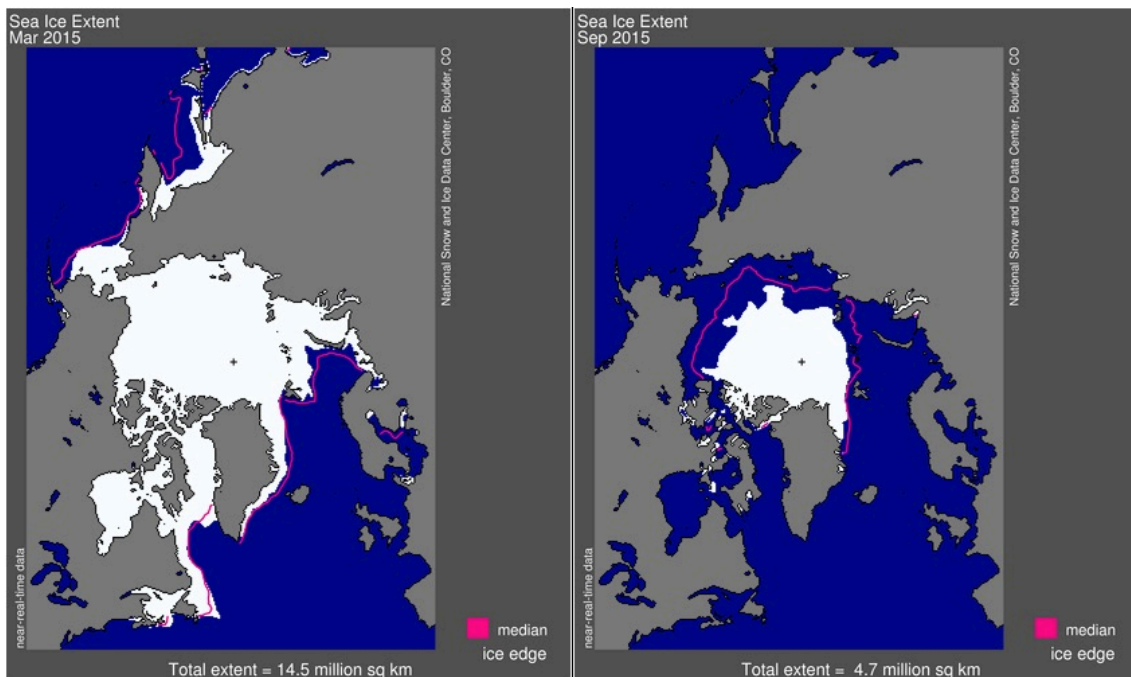
**Figure S1: Schematic of chemical and physical processes in the THAMO chemical transport model scenarios.** Bromine enrichment of an air mass occurs through heterogeneous recycling in first year sea ice (bromine explosion) which is then transported over the Greenland ice sheet.



**Figure S2. Map of the Arctic Ocean with regional location names.** Representative locations corresponding to the Arctic seas described in the text are shown here. Image from NSIDC<sup>33</sup>.



**Figure S3. Minimum and maximum Arctic sea ice extent in 2015.** Subsequent Arctic sea ice maxima (left panel) and minima (right panel) are shown as an example of the regions where first year sea ice is present in the Arctic. The magenta line shows the median (1981-2010) location of the sea ice edge for each month. It is apparent that large areas of FYSI occur along the northern coasts of Canada, Alaska and the CIS. Image from NSIDC<sup>33</sup>.



**Figure S4. Polygons used to calculate sea ice parameters from satellite observations.** The coloured shapes in the figure correspond to various regions named in Figure S2. It can be seen that most of the regions within the Arctic Ocean are constrained by landmasses, whereas Baffin Bay, Greenland Sea and Bering Sea (among others) are unconstrained. Image from NSIDC<sup>33</sup>.



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