



# A bin microphysics parcel model investigation of secondary ice formation in an idealised shallow convective cloud

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**Abstract.** We provide the first systematic study of ice formation in idealised shallow clouds from collisions of supercooled water drops with ice particles (mode 2). Using the University of Manchester bin microphysics parcel model, we investigated the sensitivity of ice formation due to mode 2 for a wide range of parameters, including aerosol particle size distribution, updraft speed, cloud-base temperature, cloud depth, ice-nucleating particle concentration, and freezing fraction of mode 2. We provide context to our results with other secondary ice production mechanisms as single mechanisms and combinations (rime splintering, spherical freezing fragmentation of drops (mode 1), and ice–ice collisions). There was a significant sensitivity to aerosol particle size distribution when updraft speeds were low ( $0.5 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ ); secondary ice formation did not occur when the aerosol particle size distribution mimicked polluted environments. Where secondary ice formation did occur in simulated clouds, significant ice formation in the shallower clouds (1.3 km deep) was due to mode 2 or a combination which included mode 2. The deeper clouds (2.4 km deep) also had significant contributions from rime splintering or ice–ice collisional breakup secondary ice production (SIP) mechanisms. While simulations with cloud-base temperatures of  $7^\circ\text{C}$  were relatively insensitive to ice-nucleating particle concentrations, there was a sensitivity in simulations with cloud-base temperatures of  $0^\circ\text{C}$ . Increasing the ice-nucleating particle concentration delayed ice formation. Our results suggest that collisions of supercooled water drops with ice particles may be a significant ice formation mechanism within shallow convective clouds where rime splintering is not active.

## 1 Introduction

Ice crystals in clouds can significantly effect weather and climate (Elsom, 2001; Changnon, 2003; Field and Heymsfield, 2015; Púčík et al., 2019). Yet, the formation of ice crystals, especially in mixed-phase clouds, is still not well understood. Where temperatures are sub-zero, yet warmer than the homogeneous freezing temperature of water at  $-35^\circ\text{C}$ , freezing of supercooled water drops can occur via the action of ice-nucleating particles (INPs). However, INPs are relatively rare in the atmosphere, typically falling between ice crystal number concentrations (ICNCs) from  $1 \times 10^{-4} \text{ L}^{-1}$

to  $1 \text{ L}^{-1}$  at  $-10^\circ\text{C}$  (Kanji et al., 2017). In contrast, many observations show enhancement in ICNCs, which are orders of magnitude higher than those predicted by the action of INPs, for a variety of clouds across the globe (e.g. Crawford et al., 2012; Lloyd et al., 2015; Lasher-Trapp et al., 2016; O’Shea et al., 2017). Secondary ice production (SIP), involving the formation of ice from pre-existing ice crystals, is often proposed to explain these higher observed ICNCs. However, there are still many uncertainties within these SIP mechanisms (e.g. see reviews by Field et al., 2017; Korolev et al., 2020).

While several SIP mechanisms exist, e.g. rime splintering, fragmentation of freezing drops, and ice–ice collisional breakup, only rime splintering is widely implemented in numerical weather prediction (NWP) models. Rime splintering, also called the Hallett–Mossop process, is thought to occur when supercooled water droplets accrete on ice particles and splinter during freezing. Rime splintering is only active in a narrow temperature range, between  $-3$  and  $-8$  °C, and when supercooled water drop diameters of both  $\lesssim 13$  and  $\gtrsim 24$   $\mu\text{m}$  are present (Hallett and Mossop, 1974; Mossop and Hallett, 1974; Mossop, 1978). Although rime splintering may account for the differences between ICNCs from observations and those predicted from the action of INPs for some mixed-phase clouds (e.g. Harris-Hobbs and Cooper, 1987; Blyth and Latham, 1993, 1997; Phillips et al., 2001, 2005; Crosier et al., 2011; Crawford et al., 2012; Taylor et al., 2016; Huang et al., 2017a), there are also cases where it does not. For example, rime splintering may be too slow to explain observed ICNCs (Rangno and Hobbs, 1991; Sotiropoulou et al., 2020, 2021), or clouds may have temperatures or drop size distributions outside the range in which rime splintering is active (Rangno and Hobbs, 1991, 2001; Fridlind et al., 2007; Lawson et al., 2015). A recent study by Luke et al. (2021) showed that radar observations of Arctic mixed-phase clouds indicates that the freezing fragmentation of drops is more efficient at enhancing ICNCs than rime splintering.

Despite the preferential inclusion of the rime splintering SIP mechanism in NWP models, it does not account for ice enhancement in all mixed-phase clouds. Other SIP mechanisms may account for ice enhancement in mixed-phase clouds, given the wider range of conditions in which they are active. For example, in contrast to rime splintering, the fragmentation of freezing drops can occur over a wider temperature range, between 0 and  $-30$  °C, with a drop size range between 4 and 1000  $\mu\text{m}$  (e.g. Table 1 of Korolev et al., 2020). Recently, Phillips et al. (2018) described the fragmentation of freezing drops as occurring via two modes. The first mode, mode 1, occurred when drops froze due to the action of INPs or ice particles smaller than the freezing drop and maintained their symmetrical symmetry. Based on the available laboratory literature of drops in free fall only, Phillips et al. (2018) found that the maximum number of fragments occurred at a thermal peak of approximately  $-15$  °C, with larger drops (e.g. millimetre sized) forming more fragments than smaller drops (e.g. sub-millimetre sized). From here on, we shall refer to the freezing fragmentation of drops as mode 1, using the classification described in Phillips et al. (2018). The second mode described by Phillips et al. (2018), mode 2, occurred when drops collided with larger ice particles, causing fragmentation upon collision that disrupted the symmetrical symmetry. Phillips et al. (2018) used theory to describe the fragmentation due to a lack of laboratory experiments, and we have recently shown proof-of-concept laboratory results for the potential of mode 2 as a SIP mechanism (James et al., 2021). Unlike rime splintering and mode 1, the theoretical

description of mode 2 does not have a thermal peak and increases linearly with dimensionless energy and supercooling. However, large experimental uncertainties exist around the treatment of the number of secondary drops emitted per impact with a more massive ice surface. Another SIP mechanism, ice–ice collisional breakup, may also occur in mixed-phase clouds. Experiments by Vardiman (1978) and Takahashi et al. (1995) showed that the number of fragments increased as a function of change in momentum or collisional energy, respectively.

Various models include these additional SIP mechanisms, sometimes alongside the rime-splintering mechanism (Phillips et al., 2018; Sotiropoulou et al., 2020; Zhao et al., 2021; Zhao and Liu, 2021; Georgakaki et al., 2022; Zhao and Liu, 2022; Huang et al., 2022). For example, Sotiropoulou et al. (2021) included the ice–ice collision breakup mechanism in their Weather Research Forecasting model simulations of summer clouds over the Antarctic coast. Their results suggested that ice–ice collisional breakup alone could be responsible for observed ICNCs in Antarctic clouds, despite including the rime-splintering mechanism in their simulations. Georgakaki et al. (2022) found that a combination of ice–ice collisional breakup and external ice seeding could account for the observed ICNCs in wintertime alpine mixed-phase clouds observed during the Cloud and Aerosol Characterisation Experiments campaign.

There is also increasing evidence suggesting that combinations of multiple SIP mechanisms are more likely responsible for ice enhancement in mixed-phase clouds. For example, Sotiropoulou et al. (2020) modelled Arctic stratocumulus clouds and modelled ICNCs only matched observations when rime splintering and ice–ice collisional breakup were combined. Phillips et al. (2018) showed that rime splintering, mode 1, and mode 2 were all required in parcel simulations of tropical maritime deep convection to match the observed ICNCs. Combinations of SIP mechanisms are also important on a global scale, as demonstrated in a study by Zhao and Liu (2021), which showed that the combined effect of mode 1, mode 2, and ice–ice collisional breakup SIP mechanisms triggered changes in the liquid–ice partitioning and cloud radiative forcing.

While SIP can happen in a variety of clouds, in this paper we will focus on idealised shallow convective clouds. Shallow convective clouds are widespread across the globe, but ice formation in cloud tops warmer than  $-10$  °C is still largely uncertain (Rangno and Hobbs, 2005; Blyth and Latham, 1997; Hobbs and Rangno, 1990; Sun et al., 2010). For example, Hobbs and Rangno (1990) showed that rapid ice enhancement occurred within 15 min of the formation in polar cumulus maritime clouds. While rime splintering was ruled out as a SIP mechanism for being too slow, there was no consideration of other SIP mechanisms. In shallow convective clouds across the Southern Ocean, SIP mechanisms may account for ice enhancement (Huang et al., 2017b). While rime splintering was suggested to be the cause of ice en-

hancement in shallow aged wintertime cumulus cloud across the UK, no other secondary ice mechanisms were considered (Crawford et al., 2012).

In this paper, we present a bin microphysics investigation of idealised shallow convective clouds. We focus on ice enhancement by the recently discovered mode 2 SIP mechanism in shallow convective clouds and investigate its sensitivity to initial aerosol size distributions, updraft speeds, INP concentrations, cloud depths, and cloud-base temperatures. To put the ice enhancement of mode 2 into context with the other SIP mechanisms, we run simulations with rime splintering, mode 1, and ice–ice collisional breakup separately, as well as for all possible combinations, including mode 2. The model used to explore this large parameter space is the University of Manchester bin microphysics model (BMM; e.g. Fowler et al., 2020), which is an update on the Aerosol–Cloud–Precipitation Interactions Model (ACPIM; e.g. Conolly et al., 2009, 2012, 2014; Simpson et al., 2014).

## 2 Model

### 2.1 Model description

All simulations in this paper used the bin microphysics model (BMM; <https://github.com/UoM-maul1609/bin-microphysics-model>, last access: 8 May 2023), an adapted version of the control model described in Fowler et al. (2020), which was developed at the University of Manchester. The bin microphysics model includes the activation of cloud droplets and condensation and/or deposition from water vapour, collision and coalescence of water drops, inertial impaction of aerosol particles, ice–ice aggregation, riming, and secondary ice processes.

Aerosol particles are represented as multiple lognormal modes of different chemical compositions (externally mixed modes). Each externally mixed mode is described by an internal mixture that has the same chemical composition across all sizes. The BMM is initialised by summing multiple lognormal size distributions as follows:

$$\frac{dN}{d \ln(D_a)} = \frac{N_T}{\sqrt{2\pi} \ln \sigma_g} \exp \left[ -\frac{\ln^2 \left( \frac{D_a}{D_{a,m}} \right)}{2 \ln^2 \sigma_g} \right], \quad (1)$$

where  $N$  is the number density of aerosol particles,  $D_a$  is the aerosol particle diameter for the mode,  $N_T$  is the total number of aerosol particles in the mode,  $D_{a,m}$  is the median aerosol particle diameter for the mode, and  $\sigma_g$  is the geometric standard deviation of the logarithmic distribution.

The activation of cloud condensation nuclei is calculated from the condensation of liquid water onto the aerosol particles with the equilibrium vapour pressure described by  $\kappa$ –Köhler theory, where the size and hygroscopicity of an aerosol particle is related by a single parameter,  $\kappa$  (Petters and Kreidenweis, 2007). The rate of drop growth via diffusion takes into account mass accommodation through

modified diffusivity and conductivity terms (Jacobson, 2005; Pruppacher and Klett, 2010). While the initial growth of cloud drops occurs via the diffusional growth equation, later growth to raindrops occurs via the collision–coalescence process. Collision–coalescence growth is described by the stochastic collection equation, which is solved using the method of Bott (1998), and collisional efficiencies are calculated according to the Long (1974) kernel. The model treats binned distribution for liquid particles and a separate binned distribution for ice particles.

Homogeneous freezing from a supercooled water drop follows the method described in Koop et al. (2000). Heterogeneous freezing occurring via ice nucleating particles is calculated using the DeMott et al. (2010) ice nucleation parameterisation, which requires knowledge of the aerosol particle number density, with a diameter of  $\geq 0.5 \mu\text{m}$ . The same parameterisation is used to describe the freezing of rain drops. We first determine the number of aerosol particles with diameter  $\geq 0.5 \mu\text{m}$ , which is contained within a raindrop, and multiply this by the number concentration of particles within the same category. The number of active ice nucleating particles is then calculated using the DeMott et al. (2010) parameterisation. This is scaled by how many aerosol particles are contained within the drop, thus giving the number of frozen drops in that category.

Ice particle growth from the vapour is described using a growth rate which takes into account mass accommodation through modified diffusivity and conductivity terms (Jacobson, 2005). Once formed, ice particles grow according to the model described in Chen and Lamb (1994). The ice particle bins carry properties that are averaged within a mass bin. These properties are the aspect ratio of the ice crystals, the volume of the crystals, the rime mass, and the number of ice crystal monomers per ice particle. Ice–ice aggregation and riming are also calculated using the method of Bott (1998), which is modified to transport the extra properties discussed above. The terminal velocity of ice particles is determined from Heymsfield and Westbrook (2010), based on the mass and shape of the ice particles.

### 2.2 Secondary ice parameterisations

Four SIP mechanisms are included in the model. These are the rime-splintering mechanism (RS), collisional breakup of ice particles during collision (CB), droplet shattering during symmetrical freezing (M1), and droplet shattering during asymmetrical freezing (M2). Their parameterisations are given below.

#### 2.2.1 Rime splintering (RS)

We use a modified version of the RS parameterisation given by Reisner et al. (1998). This parameterisation is based on laboratory experiments by Hallett and Mossop (1974), who of rimed ice around  $-5 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ .

**Table 1.** Parameters used to identify the surface of the ice category that go into the Eq. (3) and are used in conjunction with Table 1 of Phillips et al. (2017).  $D_S$  is the diameter of the smaller colliding particle,  $R_{FS}$  is the rime fraction of the smaller colliding particle,  $R_{FL}$  is the rime fraction of the larger colliding particle,  $\rho_L$  is the density of the larger colliding particle, and  $\Phi_S$  is the aspect ratio of the smaller colliding particle.

Collision type	$D_S$ (m)	$R_{FS}$	$R_{FL}$	$\rho_L$ ( $\text{kg m}^{-3}$ )	$\Phi_S$
Graupel with graupel or hail	$5 \times 10^{-4}$ to $5 \times 10^{-3}$	$0.5 \leq R_{FS} < 0.9$	$\geq 0.5$	–	–
Hail with hail	–	$\geq 0.9$	$> 0.9$	–	–
Dendrites with any ice particle	$5 \times 10^{-4}$ to $5 \times 10^{-3}$	$< 0.5$	–	$< 400$	$< 1$
Spatial planar with any ice particle	$5 \times 10^{-4}$ to $5 \times 10^{-3}$	$< 0.5$	–	$\geq 400$	$< 1$

$$\frac{dN_{RS}}{dt} = 350 \times 10^6 \times \left( \frac{dm_r}{dt} \right) \times f_{RS}(T), \quad (2)$$

where  $\frac{dN_{RS}}{dt}$  is the splinter production rate due to RS,  $\frac{dm_r}{dt}$  is the riming rate, and  $f_{RS}(T)$  is the temperature-dependent function of RS that has a maximum of unity at  $T = -5^\circ\text{C}$  and zero at  $T < -2.5$  and  $T > -7.5^\circ\text{C}$ .

### 2.2.2 Ice–ice collisional breakup (CB)

We use the parameterisation derived by Phillips et al. (2017), which is based on the energy conservation principle, and relates collisional kinetic energy with ice particle habits.

$$N_{CB} = \alpha A \left( 1 - \exp \left\{ - \left[ \frac{C K_{0(CB)}}{\alpha A} \right]^\gamma \right\} \right), \quad (3)$$

where  $\alpha$  is the equivalent spherical surface area of the smaller colliding particle ( $\alpha = \pi D^2$ , where  $D$  is the diameter of the smaller colliding particle).  $A$  represents the number density of the breakable asperities in the region of contact,  $C$  is the asperity–fragility coefficient, and  $\gamma$  is a parameter related to riming intensity.  $K_{0(CB)}$  is the collisional kinetic energy calculated by the following:

$$K_{0(CB)} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{m_1 m_2}{m_1 + m_2} \right) (v_1 - v_2)^2, \quad (4)$$

where  $m_1$  and  $m_2$  are the mass of the colliding ice particles, and  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are their fall speeds.

Three types of collisions were identified, including graupel or hail with hail or graupel, hail with hail, and snow or ice crystals (dendritic or spatial planar) with any ice particle. The terms  $A$ ,  $C$ , and  $\gamma$  are dependent on the type of colliding pairs (details of which can be found in Table 1 of Phillips et al., 2017). In the BMM, we implement the parameterisation by distinguishing between the type of ice particle using the modelled density, rime mass, and aspect ratio, details of which are given in Table 1.

### 2.2.3 Freezing fragmentation of drops: mode 1 (M1)

We use the parameterisation derived by Phillips et al. (2018), who compiled the available laboratory data on the freezing fragmentation of drops. If fragmentation occurred, then two size regimes were identified, namely small fragments, which had smaller diameters but a larger number of fragments, and large fragments, which had larger diameters but smaller number of fragments. Phillips et al. (2018) found that M1 was most efficient around  $-15^\circ\text{C}$ . The parameterisations for the total number of fragments ( $N_{MIT}$ ) and number of large fragments ( $N_{MIL}$ ) are given below:

$$N_{MIT} = F(D)\Omega(T) \left[ \frac{\zeta \eta^2}{(T - T_0)^2 + \eta^2} + \beta T \right] \quad (5)$$

$$N_{MIL} = \min \left\{ F(D)\Omega(T) \left[ \frac{\zeta_B \eta_B^2}{(T - T_{B0})^2 + \eta_B^2} \right], N_T \right\}, \quad (6)$$

where  $\zeta$ ,  $\eta$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\zeta_B$ ,  $\eta_B$ ,  $T_0$ ,  $T_{B0}$  are parameters taken from Phillips et al. (2018) which were derived from fitting the Lorentzian function to the laboratory data.  $F(D)$  and  $\Omega(T)$  are interpolation functions for the onset of fragmentation, and  $T$  is the freezing temperature of the drop.

### 2.2.4 Freezing fragmentation of drops: mode 2 (M2)

We use the parameterisation derived by Phillips et al. (2018) from theory and based on the assumption that fragmentation is controlled by the ratio of collision kinetic energy ( $K_0$ ) and initial surface energy, also referred to as dimensionless energy (DE). For M2 fragmentation to occur, the drop diameter must be greater than 0.15 mm, and the mass of the drop must be less massive than the ice particle. First,  $K_0$  and DE are calculated as follows:

$$K_0 = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{m_d m_i}{m_d + m_i} \right) (v_d - v_i)^2 \quad (7)$$

$$\text{DE} = \frac{K_0}{\gamma \pi D_d^2}, \quad (8)$$

where  $m_d$  and  $m_i$  are the mass of the drop and ice, respectively,  $v_d$  and  $v_i$  are the velocity of the drop and ice particle,



respectively,  $D_d$  is the diameter of the drop, and  $\gamma_1$  is the surface tension of liquid water which is set as a constant of  $0.073 \text{ J m}^{-2}$ .

Then, the number of fragments per drop accreted due to M2 ( $N_{M2}$ ) is calculated as follows:

$$N_{M2} = 3\Phi(T) \times [1 - f(T)] \times \max(\text{DE} - \text{DE}_{\text{crit}}, 0), \quad (9)$$

where  $\Phi$  is the probability of any drop in the splash containing ice.  $f(T)$  is the temperature-dependent mass fraction of a drop frozen by the end of stage 1 freezing ( $f(T) = -c_w T/L_f$ ), with  $c_w$  the specific heat capacity of liquid water and  $L_f$  the latent heat of freezing.  $\text{DE}_{\text{crit}}$  is the critical value of DE for onset of splashing ( $\sim 0.2$ ). We used the experimentally determined  $\Phi$  value of 0.3 (James et al., 2021).

### 3 Method

#### 3.1 Initial conditions

The model is run using an initial relative humidity of 0.95 and an initial altitude of 900 m. The parcel of air ascends at a constant updraft speed and the depth of the cloud is controlled by setting the updraft speed to zero after a pre-defined time ( $t_w$ ). All simulations run for a total of 8000 s (133.3 min), and for each sensitivity the SIP mechanisms, RS, CB, M1, and M2 were investigated individually and as combinations. We ran all possible combinations of SIP mechanisms, which gave a total of 15 simulations for each sensitivity investigated, in addition to a control simulation with no SIP mechanisms. The combinations are given in Table A1.

#### 3.2 Investigated sensitivities

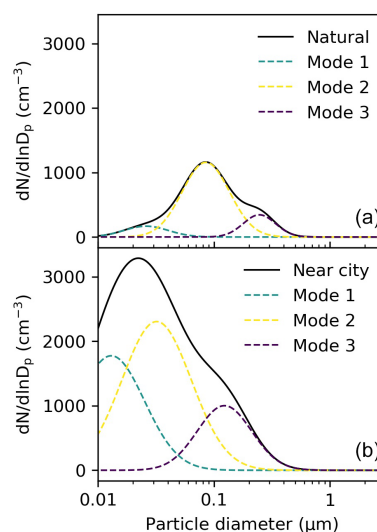
A summary of the sensitivities investigated in this paper is given in Table 2, and further details are given below.

##### 3.2.1 Cloud depth, updraft speed, and $t_w$

The following two cloud depths were investigated: a shallower cloud with a depth of 1.3 km and a deeper cloud with a depth of 2.4 km. To maintain the desired cloud depth, the updraft speed was set to zero after  $t_w$  was reached. For the shallower clouds, this was at 2600, 650, and 130 s for updraft speeds of 0.5, 2, and  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , respectively. For the deeper clouds, this was at 5000, 1250, and 250 s for updraft speeds of 0.5, 2, and  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , respectively.

##### 3.2.2 Aerosol size distribution

The following two aerosol size distributions were investigated: a “natural” aerosol size distribution and a “near-city” aerosol size distribution. Natural and near city refer to a study by Van Dingenen et al. (2004), which compiled data on aerosol measurements in Europe between 1996–2001. A



**Figure 1.** Aerosol particle size distribution for a natural aerosol size distribution (a) and a near-city aerosol size distribution (b), based on three lognormal size distribution fits provided by Crooks et al. (2018) to describe each aerosol size distribution and based on summertime afternoon measurements from Van Dingenen et al. (2004).

natural aerosol size distribution refers to measurements taken from sites  $> 50 \text{ km}$  from a large pollution source, such as a city or motorway. A near-city aerosol size distribution refers to measurements taken from sites between 3–10 km from a major pollution source. We use three lognormal size distribution fits provided by Crooks et al. (2018) to describe each aerosol size distribution, based on summertime afternoon measurements from Van Dingenen et al. (2004). Details of these fits are provided in Table 3 and plotted as aerosol particle size distributions in Fig. 1. For all simulations, we used an aerosol size bin range from 10 nm to  $3 \mu\text{m}$ . For the aerosol, we used 60 particle size bins and a further 80 bins for the cloud and precipitation to balance the resolution and computational expense, considering that a total of 1162 simulations were performed. Ammonium sulfate was the only chemical composition investigated. It has a molecular weight of  $132.14 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$ , a density of  $1.77 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$ , and a  $\kappa$  value of 0.61.

##### 3.2.3 Cloud-base temperature

Two initial cloud-base temperatures were investigated, including a warmer cloud base of  $7^\circ\text{C}$  and a colder cloud base of  $0^\circ\text{C}$ . For the shallower cloud simulations, clouds with a warmer cloud base had cloud-top temperatures of  $-1^\circ\text{C}$ , and clouds with a colder cloud base had cloud-top temperatures of  $-9^\circ\text{C}$ . For the deeper cloud simulations, clouds with a warmer cloud base had cloud-top temperatures of  $-9^\circ\text{C}$ , and clouds with a colder cloud base had cloud-top temperatures of  $-19^\circ\text{C}$ . The initial starting pressure for the warmer cloud base ( $7^\circ\text{C}$ ) was set to 90 781 and 90 271 Pa for the colder

**Table 2.** Sensitivities investigated in idealised shallower (1.3 km) and deeper (2.4 km) clouds. See Sect. 3.2.2 for the details of the aerosol size distribution.

Sensitivity	Shallower cloud (1.3 km)	Deeper cloud (2.4 km)
Aerosol size distribution	Natural, near city	Natural, near city
Cloud-base temperature (°C)	0, 7	0, 7
Updraft speed ( $\text{m s}^{-1}$ )	0.5, 2, 10	0.5, 2, 10
INP concentration	$\times 0.1$ , $\times 1$ , $\times 10$	$\times 1$
M2 $\Phi$	0.001, 0.01, 0.1, 0.3, 0.5	0.3
M2 $\text{DE}_{\text{crit}}$	0.2, 3, 6	0.2

**Table 3.** Lognormal size distribution fits for the natural and near-city aerosol size distributions. Fits were obtained from Crooks et al. (2018), based on summertime afternoon measurements presented in Van Dingenen et al. (2004).  $N_i$  is the total number density ( $\text{cm}^{-3}$ ),  $d_{i,m}$  is the median diameter (nm), and  $\ln \sigma_i$  is the standard geometric mean deviation.

Aerosol size distribution	Mode A			Mode B			Mode C		
	$N_A$	$D_{mA}$	$\ln \sigma_A$	$N_B$	$D_{mB}$	$\ln \sigma_B$	$N_C$	$D_{mC}$	$\ln \sigma_C$
Natural	185	26	0.44	1364	85	0.47	276	246	0.32
Near city	2938	13	0.66	3989	32	0.69	1356	123	0.54

cloud base (0 °C). Figures S1 and S2 in the Supplement show the temperature profiles as functions of simulation time for the shallower and deeper clouds, respectively.

### 3.2.4 M2 $\Phi$ and $\text{DE}_{\text{crit}}$

The M2 parameterisation depends on both the probability of the splash containing ice ( $\Phi$ ) and the onset of splashing ( $\text{DE}_{\text{crit}}$ ), as shown in Eq. (9). Both of these parameters are determined on experimental studies and present a source of uncertainty. Therefore, we individually investigated the M2  $\Phi$  and  $\text{DE}_{\text{crit}}$  for shallower clouds, with an updraft speed of  $2 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  for both natural and near-city aerosol size distributions and warmer and colder cloud bases.

## 4 Results

The results section is organised as follows. The shallower (1.3 km) convective cloud results are split into two main sections, based on the aerosol size distribution. Section 4.1 gives the results for simulations using the natural aerosol size distribution for cloud-base temperature, updraft speed, INP concentrations, and M2  $\Phi$  and  $\text{DE}_{\text{crit}}$  parameter sensitivities. Section 4.2 gives the results for the same sensitivities in Sect. 4.1 but for simulations using a near-city aerosol size distribution. The deeper ( $\sim 2.4$  km) convective cloud is also split into two main sections, based on aerosol size distribution. Section 4.3 gives the results for cloud-base temperature and updraft speed sensitivities for a natural aerosol size distribution, and Sect. 4.4 gives the results for the same sensitivities for simulations using a near-city aerosol size distribution.

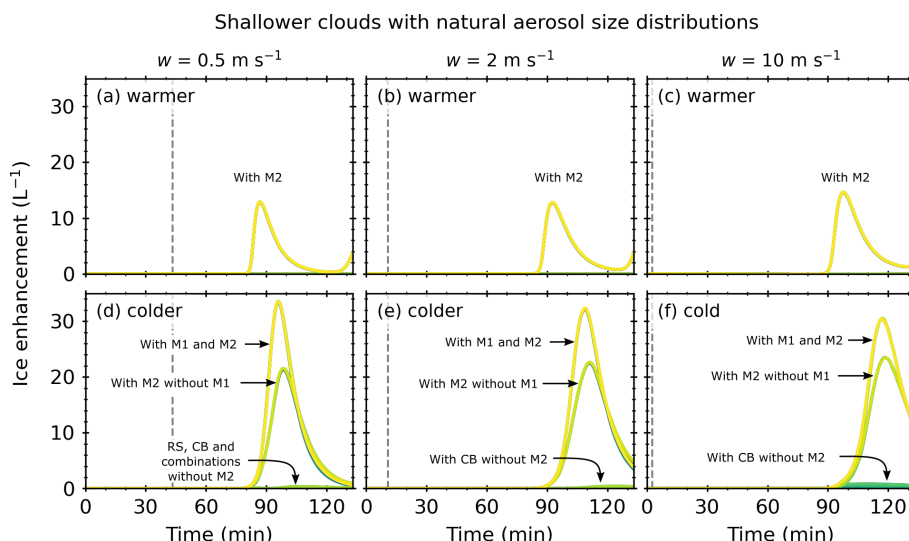
### 4.1 Shallower cloud: natural aerosol size distribution

#### 4.1.1 Sensitivity test: cloud-base temperature and updraft speed

We performed simulations using a natural aerosol size distribution for two cloud-base temperatures, 7 and 0 °C, and three updraft speeds, 0.5, 2, and  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ . The SIP mechanisms, RS, CB, M1, and M2, were investigated individually and for all possible combinations. We also performed a control simulation with no SIP mechanisms.

For the warmer cloud-base simulations with updraft speeds of 0.5 and  $2 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , the control ICNCs were relatively constant at  $6 \times 10^{-4}$  and  $2 \times 10^{-3}$ , respectively. The simulation with an updraft speed of  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  had a peak maximum at 92 min of  $0.09 \text{ L}^{-1}$ . In contrast, the control ICNCs of the colder cloud-base simulations exhibited a maximum peak at approximately 91, 93, and 99 min for updraft speeds of 0.5, 2, and  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , respectively. The maximum ICNCs were 0.4, 1.3, and  $1.6 \text{ L}^{-1}$  for updraft speeds of 0.5, 2, and  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , which is approximately 2–3 orders of magnitude greater than their corresponding warmer cloud-base simulations. For reference, Fig. S3 shows the ICNCs of the control simulations for a natural aerosol size distribution for both cloud-base temperatures and all updraft speeds.

For both cloud-base temperatures, the maximum cloud drop number concentration (CDNC) for simulations with updraft speeds of 0.5, 2, and  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  was 400, 900, and  $1200 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ , respectively, and these maximums occurred within the first few minutes of the simulations. The CDNCs decreased gradually, by a factor of 2–3, throughout the simulations. There was no observable difference between the con-



**Figure 2.** Ice enhancement against simulation time for a shallower (1.3 km) cloud with a natural aerosol size distribution. Warmer refers to cloud-base temperatures of 7 °C, and colder refers to cloud-base temperatures of 0 °C. The dashed grey lines indicate the threshold time at which the updraft was turned off. Plots are annotated to indicate the processes that were active.

trol simulations and simulations with SIP mechanisms. For reference, Fig. S4 shows the CDNC for all simulations with a natural aerosol size distribution.

Figure 2 shows the ice enhancement (i.e. the difference between the SIP ICNC and control ICNC) as a function of the simulation time for a shallower convective cloud with a natural aerosol size distribution. The initial updraft speed remained constant until a threshold time ( $t_w$ ) and was dependent on the updraft speed and then set to zero to simulate a cloud at the desired depth. In Fig. 2,  $t_w$  is represented by a dashed line at approximately 21, 11, and 2 min for updraft speeds of 0.5, 2, and 10 m s<sup>-1</sup>, respectively.

For all updraft speeds with a warmer cloud base, ice enhancement occurred in simulations with M2 (i.e. M2, M1 + M2, M2 + CB, RS + M2, M1 + M2 + CB, RS + M1 + M2, RS + M2 + CB, and RS + M1 + M2 + CB). For each updraft speed, the ice enhancement profiles were identical for all simulations with M2, indicating that only M2 was active in the warmer cloud-base simulations. An ice enhancement peak was observed at 99 min for the simulation with updraft speeds of 0.5 m s<sup>-1</sup> and shifted to 111 and 118 min for simulations with updraft speeds of 2 to 10 m s<sup>-1</sup>, respectively. Simulations with updraft speeds of 0.5 m s<sup>-1</sup> showed further ice enhancement at the end of the simulation. For all updraft speeds, the maximum ice enhancements were similar, at around 23 L<sup>-1</sup>.

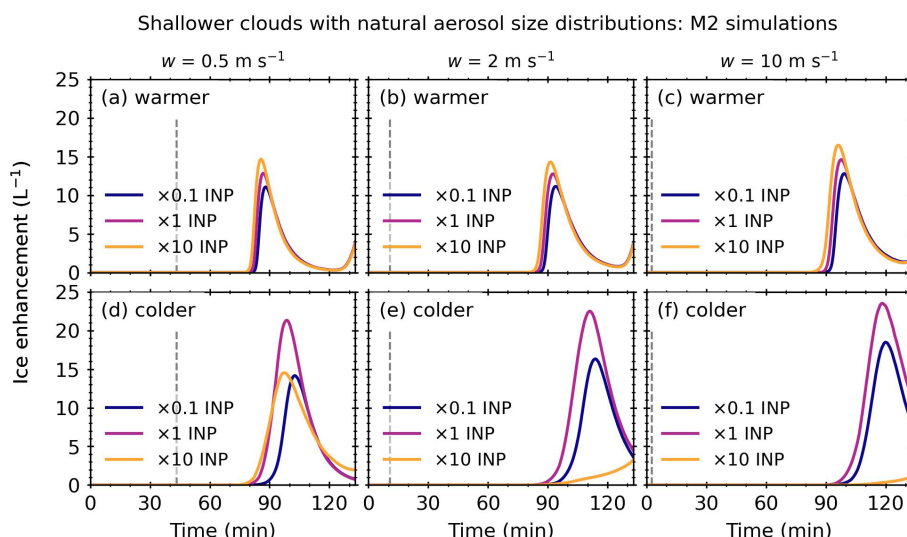
For simulations with a colder cloud base and updraft speeds of 0.5 m s<sup>-1</sup>, ice enhancement occurred in simulations in which RS, M2, or CB was present. Simulations with M2 and without M1 (i.e. M2, RS + M2, M2 + CB, and RS + M2 + CB) exhibited one ice enhancement peak at 99 min, with a maximum of 22 L<sup>-1</sup>. There were inter-

action effects for combinations of SIP mechanisms. Simulations with M1 and M2 (i.e. M1 + M2, RS + M1 + M2, M1 + M2 + CB, and RS + M1 + M2 + CB) had one ice enhancement peak, with a maximum of 33 L<sup>-1</sup> at 96 min. Individually, the RS and CB SIP mechanisms were only slightly active, with maximum ice enhancements between 0.1 and 0.2 L<sup>-1</sup>, and the M1 SIP mechanism was not active.

For simulations with a colder cloud base and updraft speeds of 2 and 10 m s<sup>-1</sup>, ice enhancement occurred in simulations in which M2 or CB was present. Simulations with M2 and without M1 (i.e. M2, RS + M2, M2 + CB, and RS + M2 + CB) exhibited one ice enhancement peak at 111 and 118 min for updraft speeds of 2 and 10 m s<sup>-1</sup>, respectively. The maximum ice enhancement was approximately 23 L<sup>-1</sup>, similar to the simulations with updraft speeds of 0.5 m s<sup>-1</sup>. Again, there were interaction effects for combinations of SIP mechanisms. Simulations with M1 and M2 (i.e. M1 + M2, RS + M1 + M2, M1 + M2 + CB, and RS + M1 + M2 + CB) had ice enhancements of ~31 L<sup>-1</sup> for simulations, with updraft speeds of 2 and 10 m s<sup>-1</sup> occurring at 109 and 118 min, respectively. Simulations with CB, except for M2 (i.e. CB, M1 + CB, RS + CB, and RS + M1 + CB), were only slightly active, with maximum ice enhancements between 0.4 and 1 L<sup>-1</sup>, and the M1 and RS SIP mechanisms were not active.

#### 4.1.2 Sensitivity test: initial INP concentration

We used the DeMott et al. (2010) INP parameterisation scheme to initiate ice formation in the BMM. To test the sensitivity of the INP parameterisation scheme to ice enhancement, we multiplied the initial INP concentrations by 0.1 and 10. For reference, Fig. S5 shows the control ICNCs for



**Figure 3.** M2 ice enhancement against simulation time for three INP concentrations ( $\times 0.1$ ,  $\times 1$ , and  $\times 10$ ) for a shallower (1.3 km) cloud with a natural aerosol size distribution. Warmer refers to cloud-base temperatures of  $7^{\circ}\text{C}$ , and colder refers to cloud-base temperatures of  $0^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

the INP concentrations over different cloud-base temperatures and updraft speeds.

Figure 3 shows the ice enhancement for M2 simulations with INP concentrations of  $\times 0.1$ ,  $\times 1$ , and  $\times 10$ . The M2 ice enhancement profiles of the warmer cloud-base simulations were similar for all the INP concentrations. For all updraft speeds, there was a small offset between the maximum ice enhancement peaks of approximately 1 min between  $\times 0.1$  and  $\times 1$  INP concentrations and a further 1 min between  $\times 1$  and  $\times 10$  INP concentrations. The maximum ice enhancement for all the INP concentrations was between  $11$  and  $15\text{ L}^{-1}$ , with the  $\times 10$  INP concentration having the highest enhancement and  $\times 0.1$  the lowest enhancement.

For the colder cloud base with updraft speeds of  $0.5\text{ m s}^{-1}$ , the  $\times 1$  INP and  $\times 10$  concentrations peaked at similar times, and the  $\times 0.1$  INP concentration peaked last. The  $\times 1$  INP concentration had the highest ice enhancement. The  $\times 0.1$  and  $\times 10$  INP concentrations had similar maximum ice enhancements, approximately  $10\text{ L}^{-1}$  less than the  $\times 1$  INP concentration. However, compared to the  $\times 1$  INP concentration, the  $\times 10$  INP concentration had a broader ice enhancement profile. For simulations with updraft speeds of 2 and  $10\text{ m s}^{-1}$ , the  $\times 1$  INP concentration had the highest ice enhancement, followed by the  $\times 0.1$  INP concentration. Very little ice enhancement occurred in the simulations with the  $\times 10$  INP concentration.

In addition to ice enhancement due to M2, ice enhancement occurred due to CB and M1 + M2. The M1 + M2 simulations followed similar ice enhancement trends to the M2 simulations (see Fig. S6). However, the CB simulations followed different ice enhancement trends (see Fig. S7). There was a non-linear effect on ice enhancement due to INP con-

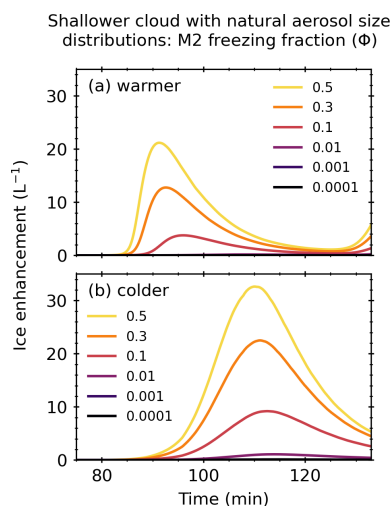
centration in simulations with a colder cloud base. For example, in simulations with updraft speeds of  $0.5\text{ m s}^{-1}$ , the  $\times 10$  INP concentration had the highest ice enhancement, followed by the  $\times 1$  INP and then the  $\times 10$  INP concentrations. However, in simulations with updraft speeds of  $2\text{ m s}^{-1}$ , the  $\times 1$  INP concentration had the highest ice enhancement, with little to no ice enhancement from the  $\times 10$  and  $\times 0.1$  INP concentrations. In simulations with updraft speeds of  $10\text{ m s}^{-1}$ , the  $\times 10$  INP concentration had the highest ice enhancement, followed by the  $\times 1$  and  $\times 0.1$  INP concentrations.

#### 4.1.3 Sensitivity test: M2 freezing fraction ( $\Phi$ )

The M2 parameterisation given in Eq. (9) requires the fraction of secondary drops that will freeze, which is denoted as  $\Phi$ . We used a value of 0.3, based on our recent laboratory measurements (James et al., 2021). To test the sensitivity of ice enhancement to  $\Phi$  during M2 simulations, we ran simulations for warmer and colder cloud bases with natural aerosol size distribution and updraft speeds of  $2\text{ m s}^{-1}$ , using the following  $\Phi$  values: 0.5, 0.1, 0.01, 0.001, and 0.0001. The results are plotted in Fig. 4.

For the warmer cloud-base temperatures, as the value of  $\Phi$  decreased from 0.5 to 0.3, the maximum ice enhancement decreased by  $\sim 8\text{ L}^{-1}$ . When the value of  $\Phi$  decreased from 0.3 to 0.1, the maximum ice enhancement decreased by  $\sim 9\text{ L}^{-1}$ . Where  $\Phi$  had values  $\leq 0.1$ , very little to no ice enhancement was observed with concentrations between  $0\text{--}4\text{ L}^{-1}$ . Compared to lower values of  $\Phi$ , higher values of  $\Phi$  had earlier maximum ice enhancement peaks. For example, ice enhancement occurred 1 min earlier for  $\Phi$  values of 0.5 compared to  $\Phi$  values of 0.3 and 5 min earlier for  $\Phi$  values of 0.5 compared to  $\Phi$  values of 0.1.





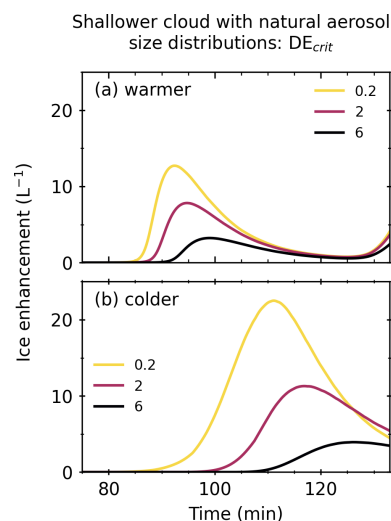
**Figure 4.** M2 ice enhancement against simulation time for six  $\Phi$  values (0.5, 0.3, 0.1, 0.01, 0.001, and 0.0001) for a shallower (1.3 km) cloud with natural aerosol size distributions and updraft speed of  $2 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ . Warmer refers to cloud-base temperatures of  $7^\circ\text{C}$ , and colder refers to cloud-base temperatures of  $0^\circ\text{C}$ .

For the colder cloud base, decreasing the value of  $\Phi$  from 0.5 to 0.3 reduced the maximum ice enhancement by  $10 \text{ L}^{-1}$ . When the values of  $\Phi$  decreased from 0.3 to 0.1, the maximum ice enhancement decreased by  $\sim 13 \text{ L}^{-1}$ . When  $\Phi$  was between 0.1 and 0.01, the maximum ice enhancement decreased by  $9 \text{ L}^{-1}$ . There was very little to no ice enhancement when  $\Phi$  had values of 0.001 or below. Similar to the warmer cloud-base simulations, lower values of  $\Phi$  delayed the maximum ice enhancement for the colder cloud bases.

#### 4.1.4 Sensitivity test: M2 $DE_{\text{crit}}$

The M2 parameterisation given in Eq. (9) requires the onset of splashing, which is denoted as  $DE_{\text{crit}}$ . We used the value of 0.2 given in Phillips et al. (2018), based on laboratory data of drops colliding on roughened copper hemispheres from Levin et al. (1971). To test the sensitivity of ice enhancement to  $DE_{\text{crit}}$  during M2 simulations, we ran simulations for warmer and colder cloud bases with natural aerosol size distribution and updraft speeds of  $2 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , using the following  $DE_{\text{crit}}$  values: 0.2, 3, and 6. The results are plotted in Fig. 5.

For the warmer cloud-base temperatures, as the value of  $DE_{\text{crit}}$  increased from 0.2 to 3, the maximum ice enhancement decreased by  $\sim 6 \text{ L}^{-1}$ . When the value of  $\Phi$  increased from 3 to 6, the maximum ice enhancement decreased by  $\sim 4 \text{ L}^{-1}$ . Compared to higher values of  $DE_{\text{crit}}$ , lower values of  $DE_{\text{crit}}$  had earlier maximum ice enhancement peaks. For example, ice enhancement occurred  $\sim 2$  min earlier for  $DE_{\text{crit}}$  values of 0.2, compared to  $DE_{\text{crit}}$  values of 3, and 6 min earlier for  $DE_{\text{crit}}$  values of 0.2, compared to  $DE_{\text{crit}}$  values of 6.



**Figure 5.** M2 ice enhancement against simulation time for three  $DE_{\text{crit}}$  values (0.2, 3, and 6) for a shallower (1.3 km) cloud with natural aerosol size distributions and updraft speed of  $2 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ . Warmer refers to cloud-base temperatures of  $7^\circ\text{C}$ , and colder refers to cloud-base temperatures of  $0^\circ\text{C}$ .

For the colder cloud base, increasing the value of  $DE_{\text{crit}}$  from 0.2 to 3 reduced the maximum ice enhancement by  $11 \text{ L}^{-1}$ . When the values of  $DE_{\text{crit}}$  increased from 3 to 6, the maximum ice enhancement decreased by  $\sim 7 \text{ L}^{-1}$ . Similar to the warmer cloud-base simulations, lower values of  $DE_{\text{crit}}$  delayed the maximum ice enhancement for the colder cloud bases.

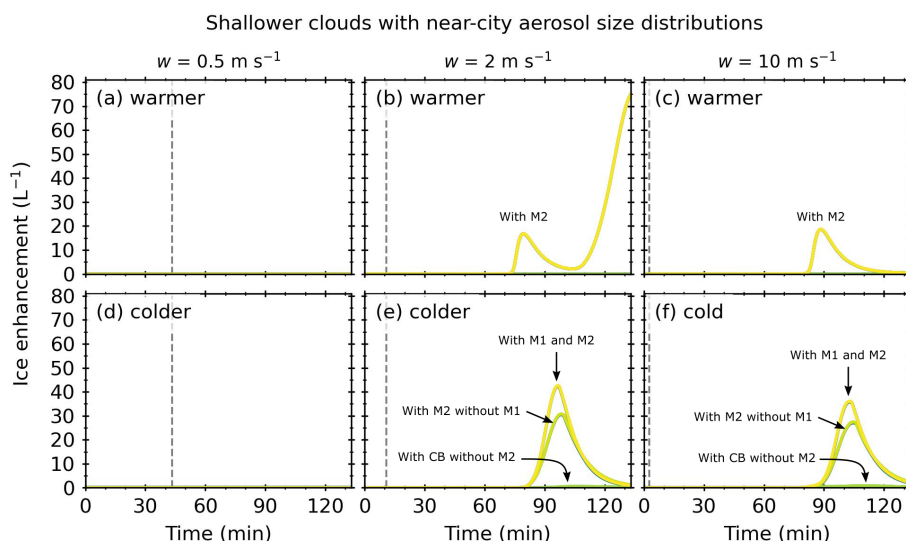
## 4.2 Shallower cloud: near-city aerosol size distribution

### 4.2.1 Sensitivity test: cloud-base temperature and updraft speed

Similar to the natural aerosol size distribution, we performed simulations using a near-city aerosol size distribution for two cloud-base temperatures, 7 and  $0^\circ\text{C}$ , and three updraft speeds, 0.5, 2, and  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ . The SIP mechanisms, RS, M1, M2, and CB, were investigated individually and for all possible combinations. We also performed a control simulation with no SIP mechanisms.

For the warmer cloud-base simulations, the maximum control ICNCs were  $3 \times 10^{-4}$ ,  $2 \times 10^{-3}$ , and  $0.01 \text{ L}^{-1}$  for updraft speeds of 0.5, 2, and  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , respectively. For the colder cloud-base simulations, the maximum control ICNCs were 0.3, 1, and  $1.5 \text{ L}^{-1}$  for updraft speeds of 0.5, 2, and  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , respectively. For reference, Fig. S8 shows the ICNC of the control simulations for a near-city aerosol size distribution.

For both cloud-base temperatures, the maximum CDNC for simulations with updraft speeds of 0.5, 2, and  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  was 100, 900, and  $2100 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ , respectively. These maxima occurred within the first few minutes of the simulations. For



**Figure 6.** Ice enhancement against simulation time for a shallower (1.3 km) cloud with a near-city aerosol size distribution. Warmer refers to cloud-base temperatures of 7 °C, and colder refers to cloud-base temperatures of 0 °C. The dashed grey lines indicated the threshold time at which the updraft was turned off. Plots are annotated to indicate the processes that were active.

both cloud-base temperatures, in the simulations with updraft speeds of  $0.5 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , the CDNC remained constant throughout the simulation; hence, there was no active collision-coalescence process (and therefore no strongly active secondary ice production). In simulations with a warmer cloud-base temperature and updraft speeds of  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , the CDNC decreased sharply, almost to zero, for all simulations around 80 min. For simulations with a warmer cloud-base temperature and updraft speeds of  $2 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , this decrease occurred at around 90 min in simulations with M2. For simulations without M2, this occurred around 95 min. Sharp drops in the CDNC, almost to zero, also happened in simulations with a colder cloud base and updraft speeds of 2 and  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  at around 90 and 80 min, respectively. For reference, Fig. S9 shows the CDNCs for all SIP mechanism simulations with a natural aerosol size distribution.

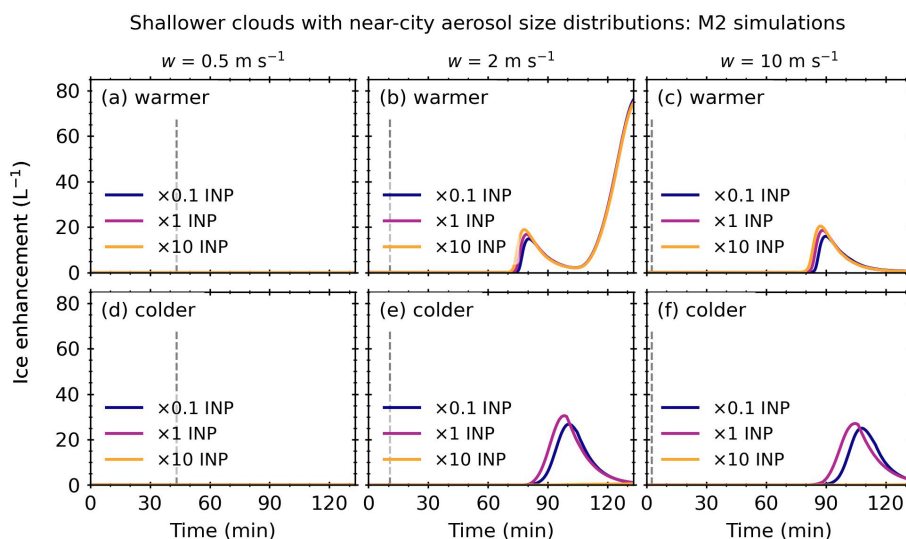
Figure 6 shows the ice enhancement as a function of simulation time for a shallower (1.3 km) convective cloud with a near-city aerosol size distribution. The vertical dashed line represents  $t_w$  and is dependent on the updraft speed. For simulations with updraft speeds of  $0.5 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , no significant ice enhancement was observed for any SIP mechanism or combination due to the lack of a strong collision-coalescence process for this case. For simulations with a warmer cloud base and updraft speeds of 2 and  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , ice enhancement occurred in simulations with M2 (i.e. M2, M1 + M2, M2 + CB, RS + M2, M1 + M2 + CB, RS + M1 + M2, RS + M2 + CB, and RS + M1 + M2 + CB). For both updraft speeds, the ice enhancement profiles were identical for all simulations with M2, indicating that only M2 was active. Both updraft speeds exhibited one ice enhancement peak, which shifted to higher simulation times as the

updraft speed increased from 79 to 88 min for updraft speeds of 2 and  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , respectively. A further ice enhancement occurred in simulations with updraft speeds of  $2 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  towards the end of the simulation. For both updraft speeds, the maximum of the ice enhancement peak was similar, at around  $17 \text{ L}^{-1}$ . However, the ice enhancement, which occurred towards the end of the simulations with updraft speeds of  $2 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , was approximately  $50 \text{ L}^{-1}$  more.

For simulations with a colder cloud base and updraft speeds of 2 and  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , ice enhancement occurred in simulations with M2 or CB. Simulations with M2 and without M1 (i.e. M2, M2 + RS, M2 + CB, and RS + M2 + CB) exhibited one ice enhancement peak at 98 and 104 min for updraft speeds of 2 and  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , respectively. The maximum ice enhancement was similar for both updraft speeds, at around  $29 \text{ L}^{-1}$ . There was an interaction effect in simulations with M1 and M2 (i.e. M1 + M2, RS + M1 + M2, M1 + M2 + CB, and RS + M1 + M2 + CB). Compared to the M2 simulations, these simulations had higher ice enhancements of 44 and  $38 \text{ L}^{-1}$  for simulations with updraft speeds of 2 and  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , respectively, which occurred slightly earlier at 97 and 103 min. Simulations with CB and without M2 (i.e. CB, M1 + CB, RS + CB, and RS + M1 + CB) were only slightly active, with maximum ice enhancements between  $0.4\text{--}1 \text{ L}^{-1}$ , and the M1 and RS SIP mechanisms were not active.

#### 4.2.2 Sensitivity test: INP concentration

Figure 7 shows the ice enhancement for M2 simulations with INP concentrations of  $\times 0.1$ ,  $\times 1$  and  $\times 10$ . For reference, Fig. S10 shows the ICNCs from the control simulations. No ice enhancement occurred in simulations with updraft speeds



**Figure 7.** M2 ice enhancement against simulation time for three INP concentrations ( $\times 0.1$ ,  $\times 1$ , and  $\times 10$ ) for a shallower (1.3 km) cloud with a near-city aerosol size distribution. Warmer refers to cloud-base temperatures of  $7^{\circ}\text{C}$ , and colder refers to cloud-base temperatures of  $0^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

of  $0.5\text{ m s}^{-1}$ . For warmer cloud-base simulations with updraft speeds of 2 and  $10\text{ m s}^{-1}$ , the M2 ice enhancement profiles were similar for all the INP concentrations, exhibiting one ice enhancement peak and, for the simulations with updraft speeds of  $2\text{ m s}^{-1}$ , a further increase towards the end of the simulation. There was a small offset between the maximum ice enhancement peaks of approximately 1 min between  $\times 0.1$  and  $\times 1$  INP concentrations and a further 1 min between  $\times 1$  and  $\times 10$  INP concentrations. The maximum ice enhancement of the peak between 80–90 min was between  $15\text{--}20\text{ L}^{-1}$ , with the  $\times 10$  INP concentration having the highest enhancement and the  $\times 0.1$  having the lowest enhancement. For the colder cloud base ( $0^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) with updraft speeds of 2 and  $10\text{ m s}^{-1}$ , the  $\times 1$  INP concentration had the highest ice enhancement, followed by the  $\times 0.1$  INP concentration. Very little to no ice enhancement occurred in the simulation with  $\times 10$  INP concentration.

In addition to M2 ice enhancement, ice enhancement occurred due to CB and M1 + M2. The M1 + M2 simulations followed similar ice enhancement trends to the M2 simulations (see Fig. S11). The CB simulations followed different trends (see Fig. S12). For the warmer cloud bases, a very slight ice enhancement due to CB occurred in the simulation, with updraft speeds of  $10\text{ m s}^{-1}$  and a  $\times 10$  INP concentration. For the colder cloud base, slight ice enhancements due to CB occurred in simulations with updraft speeds of 2 and  $10\text{ m s}^{-1}$ . Very little ice enhancement occurred in the simulations with updraft speeds of  $0.5\text{ m s}^{-1}$ . In simulations with updraft speeds of  $2\text{ m s}^{-1}$ , the  $\times 1$  INP concentration had the highest ice enhancement, with little to no ice enhancement from the  $\times 0.1$  and  $\times 10$  INP concentrations. In simulations with updraft speeds of  $10\text{ m s}^{-1}$ , the  $\times 10$  INP concentration

had the highest ice enhancement, peaking at around 75 min. The  $\times 1$  INP concentration peaked later, at around 110 min, with little to no ice enhancement from the  $\times 0.1$  INP concentrations. Hence, the clouds exhibited some sensitivity to INP concentrations when INP concentrations were high.

#### 4.2.3 Sensitivity test: M2 $\Phi$ parameter

Figure 8 shows the M2 ice enhancement against simulation time for six  $\Phi$  values, 0.5, 0.3, 0.1, 0.01, 0.001, and 0.0001, for shallower clouds with a near-city aerosol size distribution. Similar to simulations with a natural aerosol size distribution, little to no ice enhancement occurred when the  $\Phi$  value decreased below 0.1 for both cloud-base temperatures. In general, where ice enhancement occurred ( $\Phi \geq 0.1$ ), higher values of  $\Phi$  had earlier maximum ice enhancement peaks compared to lower values of  $\Phi$ .

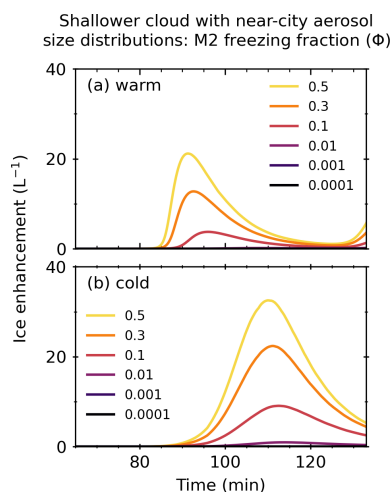
#### 4.2.4 Sensitivity test: M2 $DE_{\text{crit}}$

Figure 9 shows the M2 ice enhancement against simulation time for three  $DE_{\text{crit}}$  values, 0.2, 3, and 6, for shallower clouds with a near-city aerosol size distribution. In general, lower values of  $DE_{\text{crit}}$  had earlier maximum ice enhancement peaks compared to higher values of  $DE_{\text{crit}}$ . The maximum ice enhancement peaks were greater for lower  $DE_{\text{crit}}$  values.

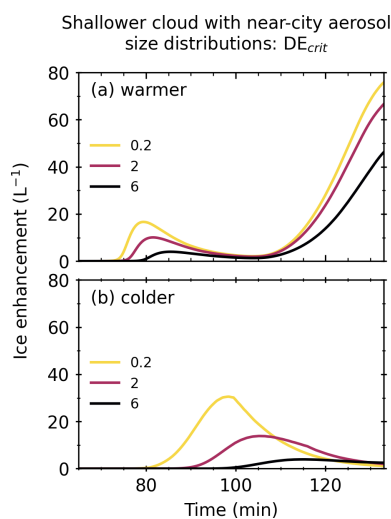
### 4.3 Deeper cloud: natural aerosol size distribution

#### 4.3.1 Sensitivity test: cloud-base temperature and updraft speed

We performed simulations using a natural aerosol size distribution for two cloud-base temperatures, 7 and  $0^{\circ}\text{C}$ , and



**Figure 8.** M2 ice enhancement against simulation time for six  $\Phi$  values (0.5, 0.3, 0.1, 0.01, 0.001, and 0.0001) for a shallower (1.3 km) cloud with near-city aerosol size distributions and updraft speed of  $2 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ . Warmer refers to cloud-base temperatures of  $7^\circ\text{C}$ , and colder refers to cloud-base temperatures of  $0^\circ\text{C}$ .



**Figure 9.** M2 ice enhancement against simulation time for three  $DE_{\text{crit}}$  values (0.2, 3, and 6) for a shallower (1.3 km) cloud with near-city aerosol size distributions and updraft speed of  $2 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ . Warmer refers to cloud-base temperatures of  $7^\circ\text{C}$ , and colder refers to cloud-base temperatures of  $0^\circ\text{C}$ .

three updraft speeds,  $0.5$ ,  $2$ , and  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ . Similar to the shallower clouds presented in Sect. 4.1 and 4.2, we investigated the SIP mechanisms RS, CB, M1, and M2 individually and for all possible combinations. We also performed a control simulation with no SIP mechanisms.

For reference, Fig. S13 shows the ICNC of the control simulations for natural aerosol size distributions. The warmer cloud-base temperature simulations had maximum control ICNCs of  $0.7$ ,  $1$ , and  $2 \text{ L}^{-1}$  for updraft speeds of  $0.5$ ,  $2$ , and

$10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , respectively. The colder cloud-base temperature simulations had maximum control ICNCs of  $3$ ,  $5$ , and  $8 \text{ L}^{-1}$  for updraft speeds of  $0.5$ ,  $2$ , and  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , respectively. Figure S14 shows the CDNCs for all simulations. The maximum CDNCs for simulations with updraft speeds of  $0.5$ ,  $2$ , and  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  were approximately  $420$ ,  $1000$ , and  $1300 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ .

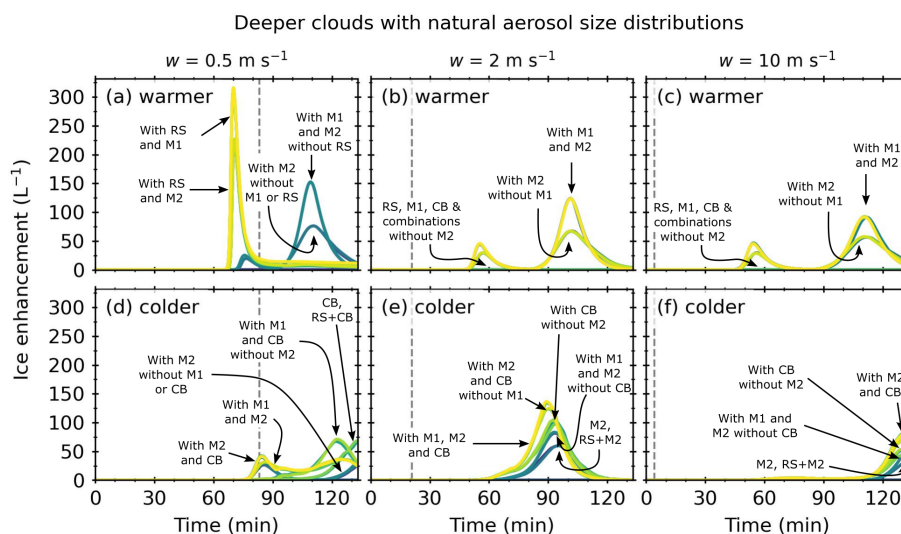
Figure 10 shows the ice enhancement as a function of simulation time for a deeper (2.4 km) convective cloud with a natural aerosol size distribution. The initial updraft speed remained constant until a threshold time ( $t_w$ ) that was dependent on the updraft speed, after which it was set to zero to simulate a cloud at the desired depth. In Fig. 10,  $t_w$  is represented by a dashed line at approximately  $83$ ,  $21$ , and  $4 \text{ min}$  for updraft speeds of  $0.5$ ,  $2$ , and  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , respectively.

For simulations with a warmer cloud base and updraft speeds of  $0.5 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , ice enhancement occurred in simulations with RS or M2 active. Simulations with RS and M2 (i.e. RS + RS, RS + M1 + M2, RS + M2 + CB, and RS + M1 + M2 + CB) exhibited one ice enhancement peak at  $71 \text{ min}$ , with a maximum ice enhancement of  $223 \text{ L}^{-1}$ . Simulations with RS and M1 (i.e. RS + M1, RS + M1 + CB, RS + M1 + M2, and RS + M1 + M2 + CB) also had one ice enhancement peak at  $71 \text{ min}$ , with a maximum ice enhancement of  $316 \text{ L}^{-1}$ . Simulations with M2 and without RS or M1 exhibited two ice enhancement peaks at  $77$  and  $111 \text{ min}$ , with maximums of  $20$  and  $76 \text{ L}^{-1}$ . Simulations with M1 and M2 and without RS (i.e. M1 + M2 and M1 + M2 + CB) also had two ice enhancement peaks at  $76$  and  $109 \text{ min}$ , with maximums of  $25$  and  $152 \text{ L}^{-1}$ . Individually, the M1 and CB SIP mechanisms were not active.

For simulations with a warmer cloud base and updraft speeds of  $2$  and  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , ice enhancement occurred in simulations with M2 and CB and all combinations of these SIP mechanisms. Simulations with M2 and without M1 + M2 or M1 + M2 + RS (i.e. M2, RS + M2, M2 + CB, RS + M2 + CB, M1 + M2 + CB, and RS + M1 + M2) exhibited two ice enhancement peaks at  $57$  and  $102 \text{ min}$  for updraft speeds of  $2 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  and  $56$  and  $112 \text{ min}$  for updraft speeds of  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ . The maximum ice enhancement for the first peak was  $29 \text{ L}^{-1}$  for simulations with updraft speeds of  $2$  and  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , respectively, and  $68$  and  $57 \text{ L}^{-1}$  for the second ice enhancement peak. A higher ice enhancement occurred in the M1 + M2 and RS + M1 + M2 simulations. The first peaks had maximums of  $44$  and  $46 \text{ L}^{-1}$  at  $55 \text{ min}$ . The second peaks had maximums of  $123$  and  $91 \text{ L}^{-1}$  at  $101$  and  $112 \text{ min}$  for updraft speeds of  $2$  and  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ . On their own, the RS, M1, and CB SIP mechanisms were only slightly active, with maximum ice enhancements between  $0.1$  and  $0.7 \text{ L}^{-1}$ .

For simulations with a colder cloud base and updraft speeds of  $0.5 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , ice enhancement occurred in simulations with M2 or CB active. Simulations with M2 and without M1 or CB (i.e. M2 and RS + M2) had one ice enhancement peak at  $86 \text{ min}$ , with a maximum of  $27 \text{ L}^{-1}$ , and a further ice enhancement towards the end of the simulation. Sim-





**Figure 10.** Ice enhancement against simulation time for a deeper (2.4 km) cloud with a natural aerosol size distribution. Warmer refers to cloud-base temperatures of 7 °C, and colder refers to cloud-base temperatures of 0 °C. The dashed grey lines indicated the threshold time at which the updraft was turned off. Plots are annotated to indicate the processes that were active.

ulations with M1 and M2 (i.e. M1 + M2, RS + M1 + M2, M1 + M2 + CB, and RS + M1 + M2 + CB) had similar profiles but with higher maximum ice enhancements of 41 L<sup>-1</sup>. Simulations with M2 and CB (i.e. M2 + CB, RS + M2 + CB, M1 + M2 + CB, and RS + M1 + M2 + CB) had two overlapping peaks at 87 and 125 min, with ice enhancements of 31 and 40 L<sup>-1</sup>. Simulations with CB and without M1 or M2 (i.e. CB and RS + CB) exhibited ice enhancement towards the end of the simulation, with maximum values of ~ 67 L<sup>-1</sup>. Simulations with CB and M1 and without M2 (i.e. M1 + CB and RS + M1 + CB) exhibited an ice enhancement peak towards the end of the simulation at 122 min, with a maximum ice enhancement of 67 L<sup>-1</sup>. Individually, the M1 and RS SIP mechanisms were not active.

For simulations with a colder cloud base and updraft speeds of 2 m s<sup>-1</sup>, ice enhancement occurred in simulations with M2 or CB active. All active SIP mechanisms exhibited one ice enhancement peak. The M2 and RS + M2 simulations had a maximum ice enhancement peak at 95 min of 60 L<sup>-1</sup>. Simulations with M1 and M2 and without CB (i.e. M1 + M2 and RS + M1 + M2) had slightly higher ice enhancements of 82 L<sup>-1</sup>. Simulations with CB and without M2 (i.e. CB, M1 + CB, RS + CB, and RS + M1 + CB) had a maximum ice enhancement peak of 103 L<sup>-1</sup> at 93 min. Simulations with M1, M2, and CB (i.e. M1 + M2 + CB and RS + M1 + M2 + CB) had an ice enhancement peak at 89 min of 136 L<sup>-1</sup>. Simulations with M2 and CB and without M1 (i.e. M2 + CB and RS + M2 + CB) had an ice enhancement peak of 124 L<sup>-1</sup> at 90 min. Individually, the RS and M1 SIP mechanisms were not active.

For simulations with a colder cloud base and updraft speed of 10 m s<sup>-1</sup>, an ice enhancement occurred towards the end of

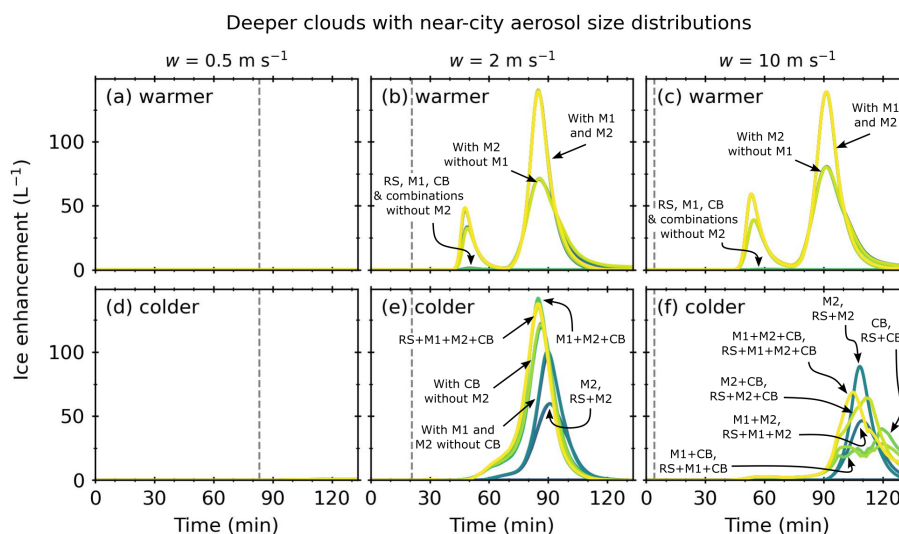
the simulation, where M2 or CB was active. The M2 and RS + M2 simulations had a maximum ice enhancement of 40 L<sup>-1</sup> at the end of the simulation. Simulations with M1 and M2 and without CB (i.e. M1 + M2 and RS + M1 + M2) had a slightly higher ice enhancement of 61 L<sup>-1</sup> at the end of the simulation. Simulations with CB and without M2 (i.e. CB, RS + CB, M1 + CB, and RS + M1 + CB) had an ice enhancement of 51 L<sup>-1</sup> at the end of the simulation. Simulations with M2 and CB (i.e. M2 + CB, RS + M2 + CB, M1 + M2 + CB, and RS + M1 + M2 + CB) had an ice enhancement peak at 131 min of 80 L<sup>-1</sup>.

#### 4.4 Deeper cloud: near-city aerosol size distribution

##### 4.4.1 Sensitivity test: cloud-base temperature and updraft speed

For reference, Fig. S15 shows the ICNC of the control simulations for a near-city aerosol size distribution. The warmer cloud-base temperature simulations had maximum control ICNCs of 0.3, 1, and 2 L<sup>-1</sup> for updraft speeds of 0.5, 2, and 10 m s<sup>-1</sup>, respectively. The colder cloud-base temperature simulations had maximum control ICNCs of 7, 10, and 12 L<sup>-1</sup> for updraft speeds of 0.5, 2, and 10 m s<sup>-1</sup>, respectively. Figure S16 shows the CDNCs for all simulations. The maximum CDNCs for simulations with updraft speeds of 0.5, 2, and 10 m s<sup>-1</sup> were approximately 100, 1200, and 2400 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

Figure 11 shows the ice enhancement as a function of simulation time for a deeper (2.4 km) convective cloud with a near-city aerosol size distribution. The vertical dashed line represents  $t_w$  and is dependent on the updraft speed. For simulations with updraft speeds of 0.5 m s<sup>-1</sup>, no signifi-



**Figure 11.** Ice enhancement against simulation time for a deeper (2.4 km) cloud with a near-city aerosol size distribution. Warmer refers to cloud-base temperatures of  $7^{\circ}\text{C}$ , and colder refers to cloud-base temperatures of  $0^{\circ}\text{C}$ . The dashed grey lines indicated the threshold time at which the updraft was turned off. Plots are annotated to indicate the processes that were active.

cant ice enhancement was observed for any SIP mechanism or combination. For simulations with a warmer cloud base and updraft speeds of 2 and  $10\text{ m s}^{-1}$ , ice enhancement occurred in simulations with M2 or CB active. Simulations with M2 and without M1 (i.e. M2, RS + M2, M2 + CB, and RS + M2 + CB) exhibited two ice enhancement peaks. The first peaks occurred at 49 and 55 min for simulations with updraft speeds of 2 and  $10\text{ m s}^{-1}$ , respectively, and the second peaks at 85 and 91 min. The maximum ice enhancement for the first peak was 33 and  $39\text{ L}^{-1}$  for simulations with updraft speeds of 2 and  $10\text{ m s}^{-1}$ , respectively, and 71 and  $80\text{ L}^{-1}$  for the second ice enhancement peak. For M2 + M1 and M2 + M1 + RS simulations, higher ice enhancements occurred. Maximums of 47 and  $139\text{ L}^{-1}$  for simulations with updraft speeds of  $2\text{ m s}^{-1}$  and 59 and  $138\text{ L}^{-1}$  for updraft speeds of  $10\text{ m s}^{-1}$  are given. Individually, the CB, RS, and M1 SIP mechanisms were only slightly active.

For simulations with a colder cloud base and updraft speeds of  $2\text{ m s}^{-1}$ , ice enhancement occurred in simulations with M2 or CB. All active SIP mechanisms exhibited one ice enhancement peak. The M1 + M2 + CB simulation had a maximum ice enhancement of  $142\text{ L}^{-1}$  at 85 min. The M2 + CB, RS + M2 + CB, and RS + M1 + M2 + CB simulations had maximum ice enhancements of  $136\text{ L}^{-1}$ . Simulations with M1 and M2 and without CB (i.e. M1 + M2 and RS + M1 + M2) had maximum ice enhancements of  $101\text{ L}^{-1}$  at 90 min. The M2 and RS + M2 simulations had a maximum ice enhancement peak at 91 min of  $60\text{ L}^{-1}$ . Individually, M1 and RS SIP mechanisms were not active.

For simulations with a colder cloud base and updraft speeds of  $10\text{ m s}^{-1}$ , ice enhancement occurred in simulations with M2 or CB. Individually, M1 and RS SIP

mechanisms were not active. The M2 and RS + M2 simulations exhibited one ice enhancement peak at 110 min of  $46\text{ L}^{-1}$ . The M1 + M2 and RS + M1 + M2 simulations had ice enhancements of  $88\text{ L}^{-1}$  at 108 min. The M2 + CB and RS + M2 + CB simulations had an ice enhancement of  $64\text{ L}^{-1}$  at 112 min. The RS + M2 + CB and RS + M1 + M2 + CB simulations had an ice enhancement peak of  $69\text{ L}^{-1}$  at 105 min. The CB and RS + CB simulations a maximum ice enhancement peak of  $40\text{ L}^{-1}$  at 120 min. The M1 + CB and RS + M1 + CB simulation had two overlapping peaks with similar maximum ice enhancements of  $28\text{ L}^{-1}$  between 100 and 120 min.

## 5 Discussion

In our simulations, ice enhancement occurs after the collision–coalescence process, which takes time to initiate due to drop growth, usually within the latter half of the simulations ( $> 60\text{ min}$ ). The lifetime of shallow convective clouds is variable. For example, Öktem and Romps (2021) showed that shallow cumulus clouds forming over the Southern Great Plains in the USA over an observational period of 3 years had lifetimes from as little as 30 min to over 9 h, with shorter-duration clouds occurring in the spring. There have been observations of rapid ice enhancement within shallow convective clouds (e.g. Rangno and Hobbs, 1991; Hobbs and Rangno, 1990). Collision–coalescence is key for the initiation of ice enhancement within our simulations, and there are several processes which may accelerate collision–coalescence that are not modelled. For example, entrainment of dry air may cause inhomogeneous mixing and preferential growth of larger drops during ascent (e.g. Baker et al., 1980;

**Table 4.** Summary of active SIP mechanisms.  $\uparrow$  indicates a SIP mechanism or SIP mechanism combination at which significant ice enhancement occurred.

Cloud	Updraft speed ( $\text{m s}^{-1}$ )	Active SIP mechanism
Shallow	0.5	M2 $\uparrow$
Natural	2	M2 $\uparrow$
Warm	10	M2 $\uparrow$
Shallow	0.5	RS, M2 $\uparrow$ , CB, M1 + M2 $\uparrow$
Natural	2	M2 $\uparrow$ , CB, M1 + M2 $\uparrow$
Cold	10	M2 $\uparrow$ , CB, M1 + M2 $\uparrow$
Shallow	0.5	–
Near city	2	M2 $\uparrow$
Warm	10	M2 $\uparrow$
Shallow	0.5	–
Near city	2	CB, M2 $\uparrow$ , M1 + M2 $\uparrow$
Cold	10	CB, M2 $\uparrow$ , M1 + M2 $\uparrow$
Deep	0.5	RS $\uparrow$ , M2 $\uparrow$ , RS + M1 $\uparrow$ , RS + M2 $\uparrow$ , M1 + M2 $\uparrow$
Natural	2	RS, M1, M2 $\uparrow$ , CB, M1 + M2 $\uparrow$
Warm	10	RS, CB, M1, M2 $\uparrow$ , M1 + M2 $\uparrow$
Deep	0.5	M2 $\uparrow$ , CB $\uparrow$ , M1 + M2 $\uparrow$ , M1 + CB $\uparrow$ , M2 + CB $\uparrow$
Natural	2	M2 $\uparrow$ , CB $\uparrow$ , M1 + M2 $\uparrow$ , M2 + CB $\uparrow$ , M1 + M2 + CB $\uparrow$
Cold	10	CB $\uparrow$ , M2 $\uparrow$ , M1 + M2 $\uparrow$ , M2 + CB $\uparrow$
Deep	0.5	–
Near city	2	RS, M1, M2 $\uparrow$ , CB, M1 + M2 $\uparrow$
Warm	10	RS, M1, M2 $\uparrow$ , CB, M1 + M2 $\uparrow$
Deep	0.5	–
Near city	2	M2 $\uparrow$ , CB $\uparrow$ , M1 + M2 $\uparrow$ , CB + M2 $\uparrow$ , RS + M1 + M2 $\uparrow$
Cold	10	M2 $\uparrow$ , CB $\uparrow$ , M1 + M2 $\uparrow$ , M1 + CB $\uparrow$ , M2 + CB $\uparrow$ , M1 + M2 + CB $\uparrow$

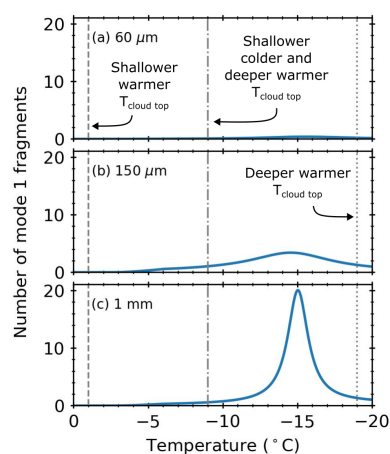
Telford and Chai, 1980) or turbulence (e.g. Pinsky et al., 2008; Grabowski and Wang, 2013; Chen et al., 2018) See Morrison et al. (2022) for more discussion of these processes.

Table 4 shows a summary of active SIP mechanisms and combinations in the idealised shallow convective clouds investigated. Overall, M2 is a significant contributor to ice enhancement, both individually and in combination with other SIP mechanisms, for most idealised shallow convective clouds. The exception is clouds with a near-city aerosol size distribution and updraft speeds of  $0.5 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ . There were also several clouds for which other SIP mechanisms significantly contributed to ice enhancement. Rime splintering occurred in the deeper cloud with a warmer cloud base, with a natural aerosol size distribution and updraft speeds of  $0.5 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , and ice–ice collisional breakup occurred for some deeper clouds with colder cloud bases.

To understand the prevalence of the M2 SIP mechanism, we first consider why the other SIP mechanisms may not have been as active. For RS to be active, according to the RS parameterisation scheme used in the BMM, the cloud must have temperatures between  $-2.5$  and  $-7.5 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . This rules out

the shallower clouds with warmer cloud bases, as the cloud tops are too warm, with temperatures of  $-1 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . The temperature region is only one requirement of the RS mechanism. In addition, the cloud drops must be sufficiently large and have a broad size distribution. Drop size distributions are broadest in simulations with lower updraft speeds (see Figs. S17–S20). Compared to deeper clouds, shallower clouds have a narrower drop size distribution; hence, we only observe ice enhancement due to RS in the shallower idealised clouds with a natural aerosol size distribution and colder cloud base with updraft speeds of  $0.5 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ . While RS was active for the deeper clouds with warmer cloud bases for all updraft speeds due to the overall broader drop size distribution within the RS temperature region, only the lower updraft speeds of  $0.5 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  had significant ice enhancement due to RS. This is due to the increased residence time in the RS temperature region for the simulations with the lowest updraft speed.

In contrast to RS, there is no narrow temperature region restriction for the M1 SIP mechanism. However, it does have a thermal peak for fragmentation around  $-15 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  and a min-



**Figure 12.** The number of fragments due to mode 1 for drop diameters of (a) 60  $\mu\text{m}$ , (b) 150  $\mu\text{m}$ , and (c) 1 mm. Shallower refers to clouds with a depth of 1.3 km, and deeper refers to clouds with a depth of 2.4 km. Warmer refers to cloud-base temperatures of 7  $^{\circ}\text{C}$ , and colder refers to cloud-base temperatures of 0  $^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

imum drop diameter requirement of 50  $\mu\text{m}$  (Phillips et al., 2018). Where nucleation occurs due to ice particles, these ice particles must be less massive than the drop. Furthermore, the fragmentation was greater in larger drops compared to smaller drops (see Fig. 12). For the shallower clouds with warmer cloud bases, no fragmentation occurred for any drop sizes given in Fig. 12, due to the relatively warm cloud tops of  $-1^{\circ}\text{C}$ . For the shallower clouds with colder cloud bases and the deeper clouds with warmer cloud bases, the cloud tops had temperatures of  $-9^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Some of the largest drops that formed in these simulations were approximately 1 mm, where, according to Fig. 12c, fragmentation at  $-9^{\circ}\text{C}$  would still result in very few fragments. While the deeper clouds with colder cloud bases have some part of the cloud at the thermal peak of  $-15^{\circ}\text{C}$  (see Fig. S2), this occurs relatively early on in the simulations when most drop diameters were below the minimum diameter threshold of 50  $\mu\text{m}$ . Furthermore, these clouds remain at  $-19^{\circ}\text{C}$  for most of the simulation, away from the thermal peak, resulting in very few fragments.

Similar to M1, CB also has a thermal peak for fragmentation around  $-15^{\circ}\text{C}$  for collisions of graupel with graupel or hail and hail with hail. Collisions of dendrites with any ice particles and spatial planar ice habits with any ice particle are not temperature dependent, according to the Phillips et al. (2017) parameterisation. The BMM can resolve ice habits based on aspect ratio, according to Chen and Lamb (1994), and as indicated in Table 1, an aspect ratio of  $< 1$  and bulk density of  $< 400 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  defines dendrites, and an aspect ratio of  $< 1$  and bulk density of  $\geq 400 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  defines spatial planar ice habits. Both aerosol size distributions of the shallower clouds have average aspect ratios close to or above 1 (see Figs. S21 and S22). This suggested that any CB occur-

ring in the shallower clouds was temperature dependent. CB was only slightly active in the colder cloud-base simulations, with cloud tops of  $-9^{\circ}\text{C}$ , which is away from the thermal peak of  $-15^{\circ}\text{C}$ , and the ice collision frequency, initial kinetic energy, and rime fraction will also determine the degree of ice enhancement. For the deeper clouds, the warmer cloud bases had aspect ratios  $> 1$ , suggesting columnar habits (see Fig. S23), and cloud tops of  $-9^{\circ}\text{C}$ , therefore suggesting little ice enhancement from CB. However, significant ice enhancement from CB occurred in the deeper clouds with colder cloud bases, where the aspect ratio value is  $< 1$  (plates; see Fig. S24) and cloud tops are  $-19^{\circ}\text{C}$ . The aspect ratio for the natural aerosol size distribution with updraft speeds of  $0.5 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  dropped below 1 in the latter half of the simulation; hence, ice enhancement from CB occurred towards the end of the simulation.

On the other hand, M2 does not have a strict temperature region or thermal peaks like RS, M1, and CB; instead, it increases linearly with dimensionless energy and supercooling (Phillips et al., 2018). However, the drop diameter must be greater than 0.15 mm and the ice particle more massive than the drop. Therefore, M2 takes time to become active in the simulated clouds due to the requirement of large drops and ice particles; hence, ice enhancement due to M2 occurred more in the latter half of the simulations.

While M2 is the most prevalent SIP mechanism responsible for ice enhancement in our simulations, there is still a large uncertainty in the M2 freezing fraction ( $\Phi$ ). Before we studied M2 in the laboratory (James et al., 2021), the theoretical work of Phillips et al. (2018) suggested that a reasonable value of  $\Phi$  would be 0.5. The results from our laboratory study suggested that the value of  $\Phi$  was closer to 0.3, given the limitations of the experimental set-up used. The results from our sensitivity tests on the M2  $\Phi$  values in Figs. 4 and 8 show only a small difference in ice enhancement between using these two  $\Phi$  values, and it is approximately  $10 \text{ L}^{-1}$ . However, ice enhancement was more significantly affected when values of  $\Phi \leq 0.1$  were used, with little to no ice enhancement observed in values of  $\Phi$  below 0.01. Phillips et al. (2018) suggested that, based on a study by Latham and Warwick (1980), “ $\Phi$  must be somewhere between about 0.01 and 1, with the range 0.1–1 seeming more likely than 0.01”. If this is correct, then even with the lower  $\Phi$  value of 0.1, ice enhancement values would not be trivial. For the examples shown in Figs. 4 and 8, the ice enhancement was close to  $10 \text{ L}^{-1}$  for the colder cloud-base simulations and  $4 \text{ L}^{-1}$  for the warmer cloud-base simulations.

Other uncertainties in the M2 parameterisation include the critical value for onset of splashing ( $\text{DE}_{\text{crit}}$ ). For splashing to occur, the dimensionless energy must be greater than  $\text{DE}_{\text{crit}}$ . Phillips et al. (2018) estimated a value for  $\text{DE}_{\text{crit}}$  of  $\sim 0.2$ , based on room temperature experiments of colliding drops by Low and List (1982), and acknowledged that this was a source of uncertainty. The equation used to describe the number of secondary liquid drops was further constrained, using



laboratory experiments by Levin et al. (1971). These experiments consisted of 2.5 mm drops impacting on a rough copper sphere at room temperature. The number of secondary drops formed in collision experiments is sensitive to the geometry and impact material; hence, the expression used to describe the number of liquid fragments presents another source of uncertainty. We increased the  $DE_{crit}$  by factors of 10 and 30 to demonstrate the sensitivity of M2 ice enhancement on the  $DE_{crit}$ , as shown in Figs. 5 and 9. When the  $DE_{crit}$  was increased by factors of 10 or 30, the ice enhancement decreased compared to the stated  $DE_{crit}$  in Phillips et al. (2018), but ice enhancement still occurred. Despite the uncertainties within the M2 parameterisation, and in agreement with Phillips et al. (2018), it is more erroneous not to include M2 within simulations. Our laboratory experiments strongly suggest that the M2 SIP mechanism could be active (James et al., 2021), and further laboratory studies into this mechanism will help reduce the uncertainties listed.

In simulations with near-city aerosol size distributions and updraft speeds of  $0.5 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , no SIP mechanisms were active. In these clouds, the CDNCs remained constant at approximately  $100 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ , which is considerably lower than the corresponding natural aerosol size distribution simulations. In addition to the low CDNCs, the drop size distribution in these clouds was significantly narrower than in simulations with a natural aerosol size distribution (see Figs. S14 and S16). Usually, we expect a more active collision-coalescence process in simulations with lower updraft speeds due to the activation of fewer aerosol particles resulting in fewer cloud drops. However, this result demonstrates the importance of the aerosol size distribution and updraft speed. In the near-city aerosol size distributions, activation only occurs in aerosol particles with  $> 400 \text{ nm}$  diameter, whereas in the natural aerosol size distributions, activation occurs in aerosols  $> 250 \text{ nm}$ . A narrow range of aerosol activation sizes results in a narrower drop size distribution that suppresses the collision-coalescence process, which will prevent or hinder most of the SIP mechanisms investigated.

The effect of the aerosol particle number, size, and hygroscopicity on activation of cloud condensation nuclei has been investigated by Reutter et al. (2009) under pyro-convective conditions. They linked the ratio of the pyro-convective aerosol particle number concentration and updraft speed to cloud drop formation by noting three distinct regimes: an aerosol-limited regime, an updraft regime, and an aerosol- and updraft-sensitive regime. Aerosol particle concentrations strongly determined the CDNC in the aerosol-limited regime. Updraft speed strongly determined the CDNC in the updraft-limited regime. A combination of aerosol particle concentrations and updraft speed determined the aerosol- and updraft-sensitive regime. In the updraft-limited regime, the CDNC is strongly dependent on the updraft speed. In general, these regimes are not specific to the pyro-convective conditions of Reutter et al. (2009) (e.g. Gunthe et al., 2009), but the values used to define the boundaries between these regimes are.

In fact, Reutter et al. (2009) suggested that shallow convection over polluted regions is more likely to be updraft limited, whereas shallow convection in moderately polluted air is more likely to be aerosol and updraft sensitive. We appear to see something similar with the two aerosol size distributions used with the near-city aerosol size distribution, with updraft speeds of  $0.5 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  potentially in an updraft-limited regime and the natural aerosol size distribution with updraft speeds of  $0.5 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  potentially in the aerosol- and updraft-sensitive regime.

As SIP mechanisms rely on the presence of pre-existing ice particles, such as those formed via the action of INPs, we need to consider how the initial concentration of ice particles affects SIP. In our study, we varied the initial INP concentrations. For the warmer cloud bases, where SIP mechanisms were active for either aerosol size distribution, there was a linear effect on INP concentrations, such that the  $\times 0.1$  INP had the lowest ice enhancement and the  $\times 10$  INP had the highest ice enhancement. Phillips et al. (2003) also observed results for which increasing the initial INP increases the SIP ICNC, due to rime splintering in their case, using a bulk microphysics model for deep convective clouds. However, for the colder cloud bases, there was a non-linear effect, with the  $\times 10$  INP concentration reducing or even suppressing ice enhancement. The effect of increasing the INP concentration, which in turn decreases SIP ICNC, has been observed before. For example, simulations using a 1-D column model with bin microphysics of shallow wintertime cumulus clouds showed that when the INP was multiplied by 100, the RS mechanism was turned off due to the Wegener-Bergeron-Findeisen (WBF) process (Crawford et al., 2012). Figures S25 and S26 show the liquid and ice water contents for M2 simulations with a natural aerosol size distribution, respectively, with extended simulation runtimes, demonstrating that the WBF process also occurred in our colder cloud-base simulations. However, the WBF process occurred earlier, with a different profile, in the  $\times 10$  INP concentration simulation compared to the  $\times 1$  or  $\times 0.1$  INP concentration simulations, as initially there was a higher ice water content in the simulations that allowed more water vapour to condense onto the ice suppressing the coalescence process, hence reducing SIP; however, for the  $\times 0.1$  and  $\times 1$  INP simulations, coalescence occurred earlier due to the lower ice water content allowing SIP formation, which increased the ice enhancement.

These results are important, as increasing the INP concentration does not always increase ICNC, especially given the uncertainty within the DeMott et al. (2010) INP parameterisation. We also note that as these are idealised clouds, the DeMott et al. (2010) INP parameterisation works adequately as a global ambient representation of aerosol particles. However, the DeMott et al. (2010) INP parameterisation is not suitable for marine environments, and the aerosol particle size dependency may be less sensitive at temperatures warmer than  $-15 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ , which is the temperature region of our idealised clouds. How best to parameterise INPs is an active

area of research (e.g. see review by Burrows et al., 2022) and beyond the scope of this work.

Several studies have included M2 in their simulations, although usually combined with M1 (Phillips et al., 2018; Sotiropoulou et al., 2020; Qu et al., 2020; Zhao et al., 2021; Zhao and Liu, 2021; Georgakaki et al., 2022; Zhao and Liu, 2022; Huang et al., 2022; Karalis et al., 2022), which is equivalent to our M1 + M2 simulations. For our idealised cloud conditions, the contribution from our M1 + M2 simulations appears to be derived from the M2 aspect. In fact, it is only when we combine M1 with M2 that we see any significant ice enhancement from M1. On its own, M1 was not a strong ice enhancement mechanism in our idealised shallow convective clouds. In contrast, Phillips et al. (2018) (see their Fig. 6) showed that in their simulation of a deep tropical maritime convective cloud with temperatures between 0 and  $-20^{\circ}\text{C}$ , over 90 % of the ice came from M1 and M2, of which M1 contributed to approximately double that of M2. M1 was more significant in Phillips et al. (2018) simulations compared to M2, probably due to simulation temperatures which covered the thermal peak of M1 at  $-15^{\circ}\text{C}$ . As shown in Fig. 12, very few fragments were formed away from the thermal peak. Most of our simulations were warmer than the thermal peak, and the deeper clouds with colder cloud-base temperatures of  $0^{\circ}\text{C}$  only briefly had temperatures near the thermal peak early on in the simulation (see Fig. S2b). Similar results were also observed by Qu et al. (2020), who modelled similar deep tropical maritime convective cloud conditions that Phillips et al. (2018) simulated. Zhao et al. (2021) simulated four types of Arctic mixed-phase clouds based on Atmospheric Radiation Measurement Mixed-Phase Arctic Cloud Experiment observations. They showed that approximately 80 % of all ice particles came from M1 in their single-layer boundary layer stratus simulations. The largest contribution of M2 came from the transition simulations, but this only contributed a small fraction compared to M1. Other studies which modelled the M2 SIP mechanism with the M1 SIP mechanism did not provide a breakdown of the contribution from M1 and M2 (Zhao and Liu, 2021, 2022; Huang et al., 2022; Karalis et al., 2022). Two studies found that M2 combined with M1 was not an effective SIP mechanism in the simulated conditions (Sotiropoulou et al., 2020; Georgakaki et al., 2022). Sotiropoulou et al. (2020) stated that this was due to their thermodynamic conditions with relatively cold cloud-base temperatures, and Georgakaki et al. (2022) stated that this was due to the drops being too small to initiate M1 + M2 in their simulated conditions.

## 6 Conclusions

We summarise our key results as follows.

- No SIP mechanisms were active in simulations with a near-city aerosol size distribution and updraft speeds of  $0.5\text{ m s}^{-1}$ , indicating a significant sensitivity of ice en-

hancement within these simulated clouds to the aerosol particle size distribution when updraft speeds are low.

- Across all simulations where SIP mechanisms were active, M2 was the most prevalent SIP mechanism, especially for shallower clouds. While M2 was still prevalent in the deeper clouds, there were cases where RS or CB contributed significantly to ice enhancement in the colder cloud bases.
- Ice enhancement from M2 was particularly sensitive to the freezing fraction value ( $\Phi$ ).
- There was a high sensitivity to INP concentration at the highest INP concentrations ( $\times 10$ ), which delayed the collision–coalescence process and hence ice enhancement.

Our results suggest that M2 may be a significant ice enhancement mechanism in shallow convective clouds where large drops are present, especially when cloud tops are warmer than  $-15^{\circ}\text{C}$ , at the thermal peak of M1 and M2. It may also be significant for clouds for which large drops do not reside within the RS region. However, there are still many areas within the M2 parameterisation that need to be addressed via further laboratory work, as detailed in James et al. (2021), a theme which can be applied to all SIP parameterisations. Our results also show that the parameterisation of INPs can have an effect on SIP mechanisms, and certainly with modelling studies, these should be varied.

## Appendix A

**Table A1.** List of SIP combinations.

List of SIP combinations
RS
M1
M2
CB
RS + M1
RS + M2
RS + CB
M1 + M2
M1 + CB
M2 + CB
RS + M1 + M2
RS + M2 + CB
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## Appendix B

Table B1. List of symbols.

Symbol	Description	Value and units
$A$	Number density of the breakable asperities in the region of contact	–
$c_w$	Specific heat capacity of liquid water	$4200 \text{ J kg}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$
$C$	Asperity fragility coefficient	–
$D_a$	Diameter of aerosol particle	m
$D_d$	Diameter of drop in mode 2	m
$D_{a,m}$	Median aerosol particle diameter of mode	m
$D_{i,m}$	Median aerosol particle diameter of modes A, B, or C	nm
$D_s$	Diameter of the smaller colliding particle in ice–ice collisional breakup	m
DE	Dimensionless energy	–
$DE_{\text{crit}}$	Critical value of dimensionless energy for onset of splashing	0.2 (unless otherwise stated)
$f$	Mass fraction of a drop frozen by the end of stage 1 freezing	–
$f_{\text{RS}}$	Function of rime splintering	–
$F$	Interpolation function for the onset of fragmentation	–
$K_{0(\text{CB})}$	Collisional kinetic energy at impact	J
$L_f$	Specific latent heat of freezing	$3.3 \times 10^5 \text{ J kg}^{-1}$
$m_r$	Mass of rime	kg
$m_1, m_2$	Mass of colliding ice particles	kg
$m_d$	Mass of drop in mode 2	kg
$m_i$	Mass of ice particle in mode 2	kg
$N$	Number density of aerosol particles	$\text{kg}^{-1}$
$N_{\text{CB}}$	Number of ice particles due to ice–ice collisional breakup	–
$N_i$	Total number density of aerosol particles of modes A, B or C	$\text{cm}^{-3}$
$N_{\text{MIT}}$	Total number of ice particles due to mode 1	–
$N_{\text{MIL}}$	Total number of large ice particles due to mode 1	–
$N_{\text{M2}}$	Number of ice particles per drop accreted due to mode 2	–
$N_{\text{RS}}$	Number of ice particles due to rime splintering	–
$N_T$	Total number of aerosol particles of mode	$\text{kg}^{-1}$
$R_{\text{FL}}$	Rime fraction of the larger colliding particle	–
$R_{\text{FS}}$	Rime fraction of the smaller colliding particle	–
$t$	Time	s
$T$	Freezing temperature of water drop	$^{\circ}\text{C}$
$T_0$	Value of $T$ at maximum of Lorentzian function for Eq. (5)	$^{\circ}\text{C}$
$T_{\text{B0}}$	Value of $T$ at maximum of Lorentzian function for Eq. (6)	$^{\circ}\text{C}$
$v_1, v_2$	Fall speed of colliding ice particles	$\text{m s}^{-1}$
$v_d$	Fall speed of drop in mode 2	$\text{m s}^{-1}$
$v_i$	Fall speed of ice particle in mode 2	$\text{m s}^{-1}$
$w$	Updraft speed	$\text{m s}^{-1}$
$\alpha$	Equivalent spherical surface area of the smaller colliding particle	$\text{m}^2$
$\beta$	Parameter in Eq. (5)	$\text{K}^{-1}$
$\beta_{\text{B}}$	Parameter in Eq. (6)	$\text{K}^{-1}$
$\gamma$	Parameter related to riming intensity	–
$\gamma_l$	Surface tension of liquid water	$0.073 \text{ J m}^{-2}$
$\zeta$	Intensity of Lorentzian function in Eq. (5)	–
$\zeta_{\text{B}}$	Intensity of Lorentzian function in Eq. (6)	–
$\eta$	Half-width of Lorentzian function in Eq. (5)	$^{\circ}\text{C}$
$\eta_{\text{B}}$	Half-width of Lorentzian function in Eq. (6)	$^{\circ}\text{C}$
$\kappa$	Hygroscopicity parameter	0.61
$\rho_{\text{L}}$	Density of the larger colliding particle	$\text{kg m}^{-3}$
$\sigma_{\text{g}}$	Standard geometric deviation of the logarithmic distribution	–
$\sigma_i$	Standard geometric deviation of the logarithmic distribution of modes A, B, or C	–
$\Phi$	Probability of any drop in the mode 2 splash containing ice	0.3 (unless otherwise stated)
$\Phi_s$	Aspect ratio of the smaller colliding particle	–
$\Omega$	Interpolating function for the onset of fragmentation	–

**Code and data availability.** The University of Manchester bin microphysics model is available on GitHub (<https://github.com/UoM-maul1609/bin-microphysics-model>, Connolly, 2023). The model outputs are deposited in Figshare, a FAIR-aligned (findable, accessible, interoperable, and re-usable) data repository, and can be accessed at <https://doi.org/10.48420/c.6238311.v2> (James et al., 2022).

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