

1 CATHALOT et al, 2020

2 **Hydrothermal plumes as hotspots for deep-ocean heterotrophic microbial biomass**
3 **production - Supplementary information**

4 Contents:

- 5 • Tables:

6 Table S.1. Chemical and physical parameters of our hydrodynamic and microbial model.
7 Initial values for high temperature fluids for each study sites are listed.

8 Table S.2. Model parameters

9 Table S.3. Error assessment of our hydrodynamic model on the NBP substrate concentrations, and
10 associated biomass production rates

- 11 • Figures:

12 Figure S.1: Plume schematics used in the hydrodynamic model

13 Figure S.2. Sensitivity analysis performed on the Crab Vent field site. Influence of the V_{harv}
14 parameter ranging from 1000 to 10000.

15 Figure S.3. 300 days model runs for the Endeavour Main Field and TAG vent sites. Top:
16 model outputs for biomass production rates for the different metabolic groups. Bottom:
17 model output for activity rates for the different metabolic groups.

- 18 • Supplementary References

20 Table S. 1. Chemical and physical parameters of our hydrodynamic and microbial model. Initial values for high temperature fluids for each
 21 study sites are listed.

22 Temp : temperature. DOC_l : labile DOC, DOC_r : refractory DOC

	TAG ^{a,b}	Rainbow ^c	Tour Eiffel ^d	Broken Spur ^c	Ashadze ^c	Logatchev ^c	EPR Grand Bonum ^c	Dante ^c	Kairei ^c	Edmonds ^c	Crab Spa	Seawater
Chemical parameters												
pH	2.83	3.10	3.75	4.00	3.10	3.30	3.30	4.25	3.35	4.81	5.6	7.9
<u>Species (mM)</u>												
ΣH ₂ S	3.600	1.200	2.100	9.750	1.000	1.400	4.500	4.000	4.000	4.810	0.552	0
S	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
S ₂ O ₃ ²⁻	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SO ₄ ²⁻	0	0.6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25.8	28.9
NH ₄ ⁺	0	4.1	0	0	0	0	0.01	0.453	0.038	0.040	0.012	10 ⁻⁵
NO ₂ ⁻	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10 ⁻⁷
NO ₃ ⁻	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.132	18.1
Fe ²⁺	1.640	25.000	0.624	2.000	9.300	2.500	9.856	0.443	6.010	13.900	0	10 ⁻⁷
Mn ²⁺	1.000	22.900	0.289	0.255	1.062	0.367	1.241	0.189	0.857	1.430	0	2.5.10 ⁻⁷
Mg ⁺	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	52.7
FeOOH	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.10 ⁻⁶	0	0	0	0	0
HCO ₃ ⁻	3.4.10 ⁻⁶	2.8.10 ⁻⁵	4.9.10 ⁻⁵	2.0.10 ⁻⁵	3.8.10 ⁻⁶	4.2.10 ⁻⁶	5.9.10 ⁻⁵	1.4.10 ⁻⁴	8.2.10 ⁻⁶	5.1.10 ⁻⁴		2.2.10 ⁻³ – 1.6.10 ⁻⁵
CO ₂	4.100	16.000	23.000	6.550	3.700	4.400	29.000	13.100	5.130	7.190	8.200	17.10 ⁻³
CH ₄	0.118	2.200	0.680	0.098	1.200	2.600	37.000	0.006	0.203	0.289	0.008	2.5.10 ⁻⁷
H ₂	0.075	16.000	0.122	0.730	19	12.500	0.100	0.029	8.190	0.142	0.179	3.10 ⁻⁷
O ₂	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.004	0	0	0.107	0.267
N ₂	0.900	0.900	1.580	0.900	1.580	5.500	1.580	1580	1.580	1.58	1.000	0.59
DOC _l	0.500	0.100	0.200	0.200	0.200	0.147	0.140	0.140	0.200	0.200	0.100	10 ⁻⁵
DOC _r	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.044
POC	0	0	0	0	0	0.023	0.023	0.023	0.023	0.023	0.023	3.10 ⁻⁴
Physical parameters												
Temp (°C)	362	365	324	364	352	350	350	334	365	-	-	2-3.3
Salinity (‰)	42	44	24.7	27.7	36.2	35	38.536	30.3	36.2	-	-	31.8-34.946

Vent exit diameter (m)	0.18	0.12	0.057	0.05	0.2	0.06	0.033	0.056	0.05	-	-	-
Vent velocity (m/s)	0.5	39.8	1.19	1.5	2	1.5	0.63	0.916	0.5	-	-	-

23 Data for the TAG vent field come from a) the BICOSE cruise and b)¹. c) Data for the Rainbow and BrokenSpur vent field issued from^{2,3}, for Tour
 24 Eiffel from⁴, for East Pacific Rise Grand Bonum from⁵, for Ashadze from¹, for Dante from⁶, for Kairei from⁷, Edmonds from⁷.

25 Vent diameters and velocities were collected from literature⁸⁻¹⁰. For the Kairei and Broken Spur vent field, they were hypothesized based on
 26 the volume flux estimates available^{11,12}.

27 When physical parameters were not available a 10⁵ dilution factor was applied according to¹³.

28 DOC concentrations in TAG fluids were measured from samples collected during the BICOSE and BICOSE2 cruises¹⁴. DOC concentrations in
 29 hydrothermal fluids from the Logatchev vent sites are set according to¹⁵. Since no actual data from the Rainbow vent site were available, DOC
 30 concentrations of the Rainbow fluids were set according to 100µM, similar to the ultramafic Lost City site as measured by¹⁶. All other vent sites
 31 along the Mid-Atlantic Ridge, and at the Kairei and Edmonds vent fields were set to 200 µM^{15,17}. DOC concentrations at the Crab Spa vent site
 32 were assumed to be lower^{18,19} and set to 100µM, while DOC concentrations at the Dante and Grand Bonum site were assumed to be around
 33 140µM^{17,20}. All DOC in the hydrothermal fluid were assumed to be labile DOC, as high volatiles and bioavailable compounds concentrations
 34 have been documented in hydrothermal fluids^{14,16,18}. Seawater DOC concentration was taken from¹⁶ and assumed to be mostly refractory^{21,22},
 35 with only 0.01µM of labile DOC²³.

36

37 Table S.2. Model parameters

Microbial parameters	
Available volume per cell for substrate assimilation (V_{harv})	1000 m ³ molBiomass ⁻¹
Background Cells concentration ^a	10 ¹¹ cell m ⁻³
Cell volume	10 ⁻¹⁸ m ³
Cell C content	141.10 ⁻¹⁵ gC
Biomass Molecular weight	24.68 g molBiomass ⁻¹
Biomass C content	0.48 gC.gBiomass ⁻¹
Mortality rate (α_m) ^b	1.16 10 ⁻⁸ s ⁻¹
Internal recycling from mortality	40% in labile DOC (DOC _l) 10% in refractory DOC (DOC _r) 50% in POC
Thermodynamic parameters	
Gas constant R	8.31446 J K ⁻¹ mol ⁻¹
Boltzmann constant	1.38065 10 ⁻²³ J K ⁻¹
Planck constant	6.62607 10 ⁻³⁴ J.s
Universal gravitational constant g	9.80665 m.s ⁻²
Hydrodynamic parameters	
Entrainment coefficient for pure jet α_j	0.06
Entrainment coefficient for pure buoyant plume α_p	0.16
Froude number for pure buoyant plume Fr_p	1.6

38 ^a Based on BICOSE2 cruise measurements39 ^b Based on ²⁴

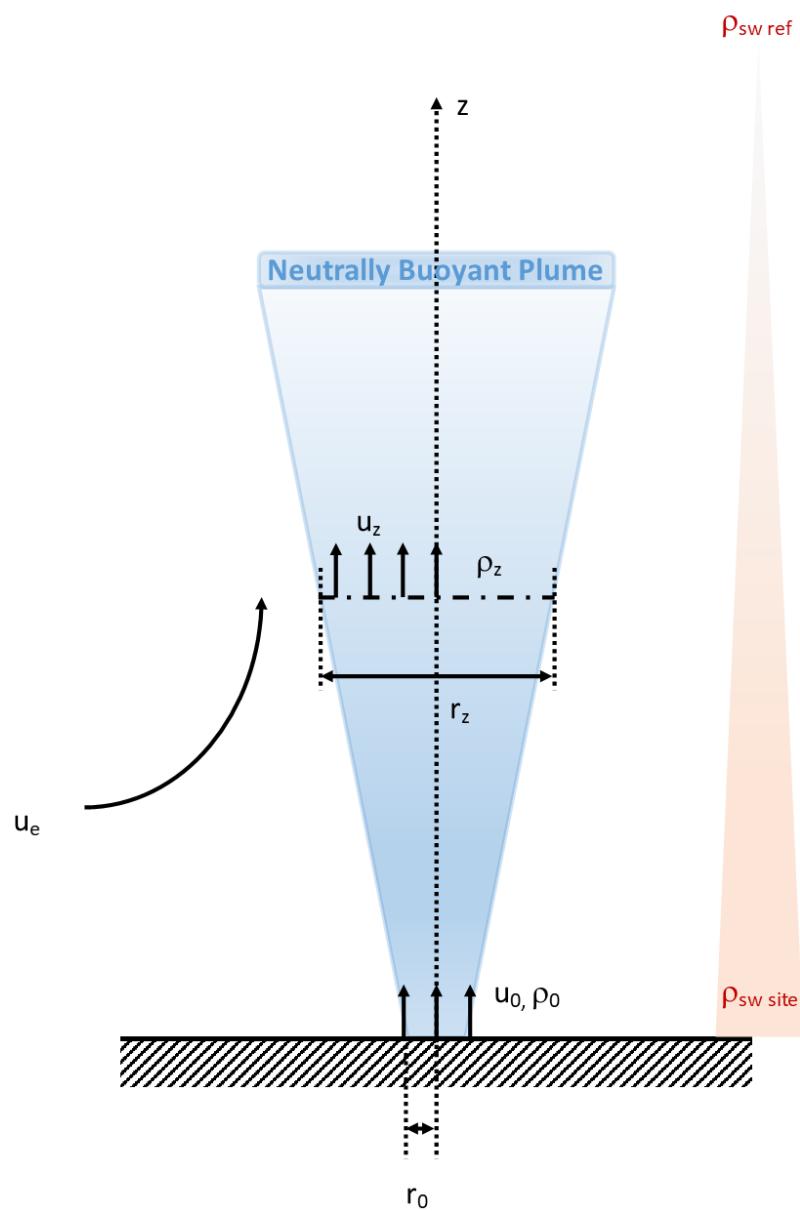
40

41

42 Table S.3. Error assessment of our hydrodynamic model on the NBP susbstrate concentrations, and associated biomass production rates

Site	Type of data	Ref	Non-Buoyant Plume (NBP) concentrations (nM)							Biomass production ($\mu\text{gC l}^{-1} \text{d}^{-1}$)		
			CH ₄	Mn	Fe	H ₂	H ₂ S	NH ₄	NO ₃ ⁻	NO ₂ ⁻	HP	PP
<u>TAG</u>	<i>data</i>	²⁵⁻²⁷	0.6-18	11-82	51	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	<i>NBP model output similar to data</i>	
	<i>model outputs</i>		2.1	17.5	28.4	1.6	62.1	100.0	$18.1 \cdot 10^3$	0.1		
<u>Edmonds</u>	<i>data</i>	²⁸	n.a.	n.a.	200-600	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	<i>NBP model output similar to data</i>	
	<i>model outputs</i>		3.1	14.6	139.1	301.4	48.1	100.4	$18.1 \cdot 10^3$	0.1		
<u>Kairei</u>	<i>data</i>	^{28,29}	10-40	n.a.	100-450	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	<i>NBP model output similar to data</i>	
	<i>data</i>	³⁰	0.6-3	2-12	6-40	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.		
<u>Endeavour</u> <u>Dante</u>	<i>data</i>	^{31 32-34}	20-600	10-50; 80	50-250	n.a.	n.a.	200-400	n.a.	n.a.	<i>NBP model output similar to data</i>	
	<i>model outputs</i>		600	100	100	0.3	0	400	$18.1 \cdot 10^3$	0.1		
<u>Rainbow</u>	<i>data</i>	^{10,35}	160	160	1200	n.a.	2	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	0.0124	0.0000
	<i>model outputs</i>		216	2245.9	2451.6	1569.3	117.7	502	$18.1 \cdot 10^3$	0.1	0.0124	0.0074
<u>Logatchev</u>	<i>data</i>	³⁶⁻³⁸	14-350	100	230	1600	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	0.0092	0.0000
	<i>model outputs</i>		30.3	4.5	29	144.7	16.2	100	$18.1 \cdot 10^3$	0.1	0.0092	0.0000
<u>Broken Spur</u>	<i>data</i>	^{39,40}	n.a.	2-11	15-35	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	$17 \cdot 10^3$	20	0.0088	0.0000
	<i>model outputs</i>		0.4	0.7	3.6	1.6	16.9	100	$18.1 \cdot 10^3$	0.1	0.0088	0.0000

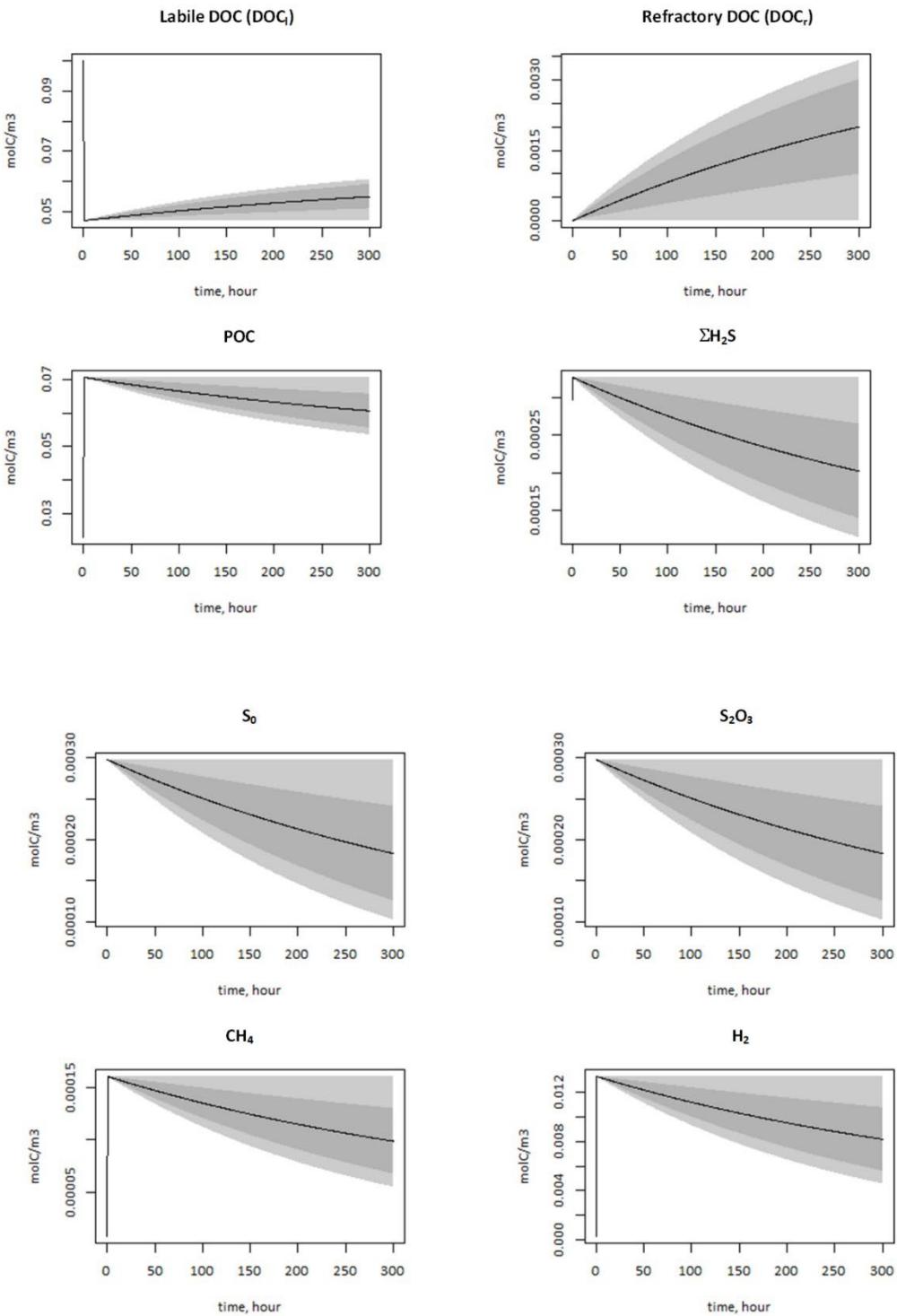
43 n.a.: not available



44

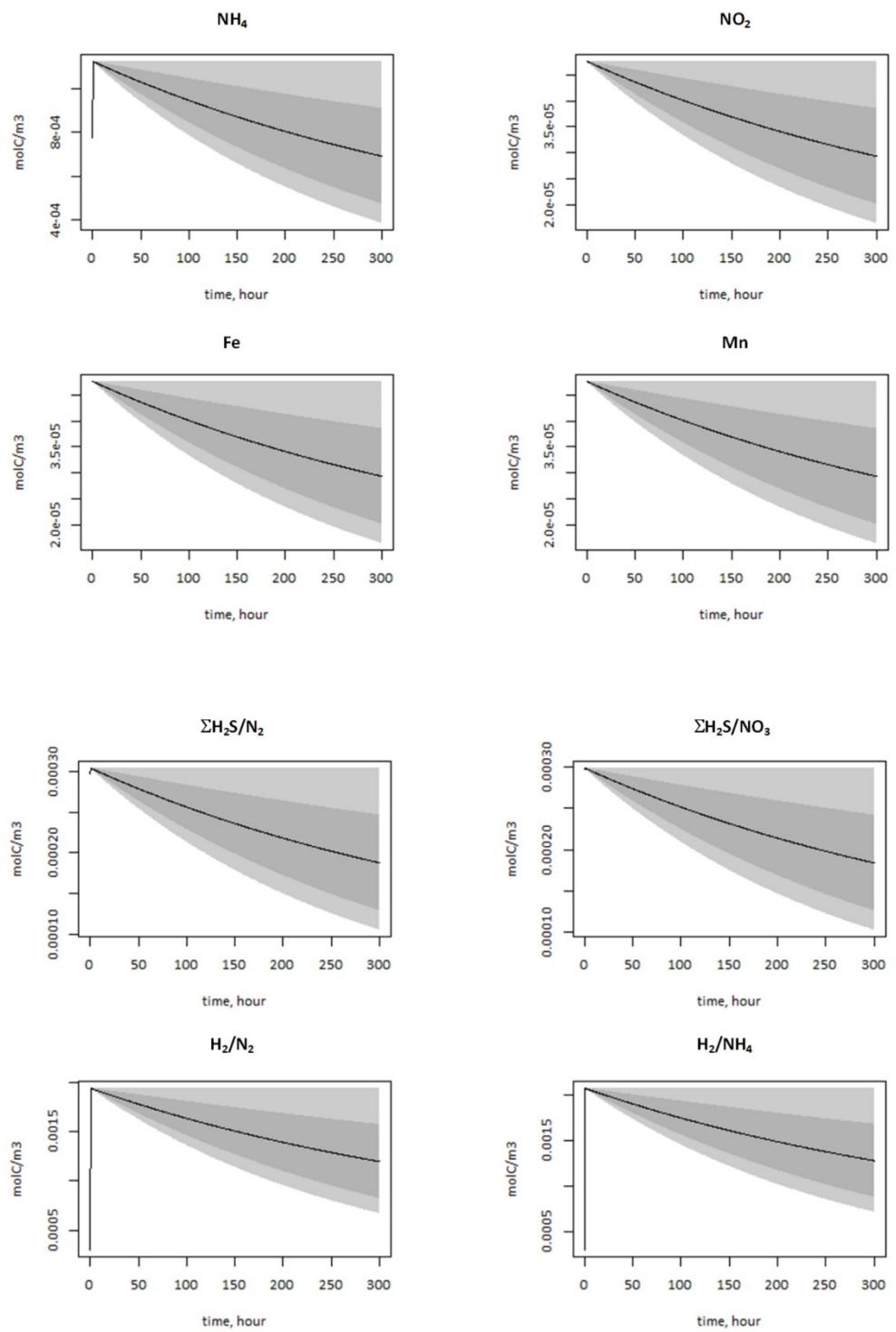
45 Figure S.1. Plume schematics used in the hydrodynamic model

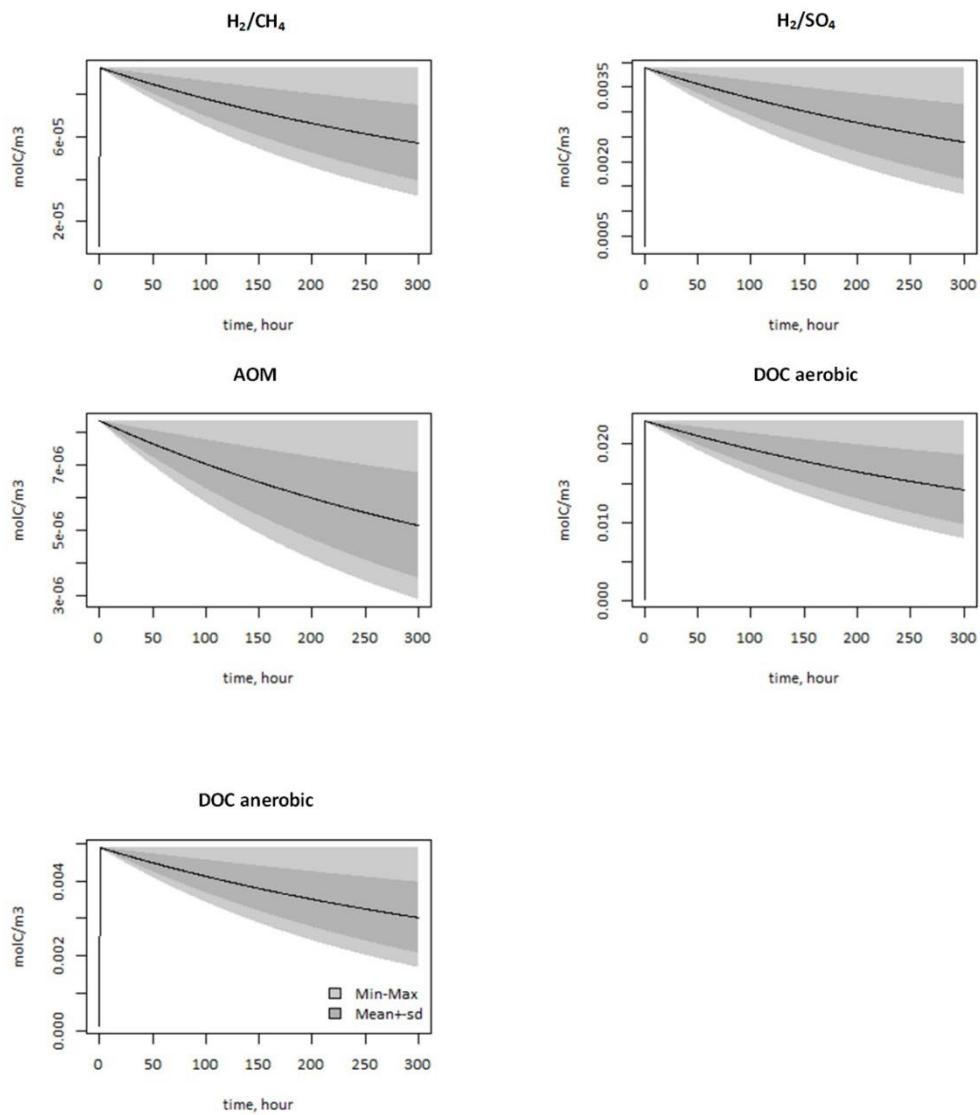
46



47

48 Figure S.2. Sensitivity analysis performed on the Crab Vent field site. Influence of the V_{harv} parameter
49 ranging from 1000 to 10000. Center line represents the average output for the sensitivity analysis,
50 dark grey envelope represents the mean +/- standard deviation of the outputs and the light grey
51 envelope represents the minimum and maximum outputs obtained for the sensitivity analysis.

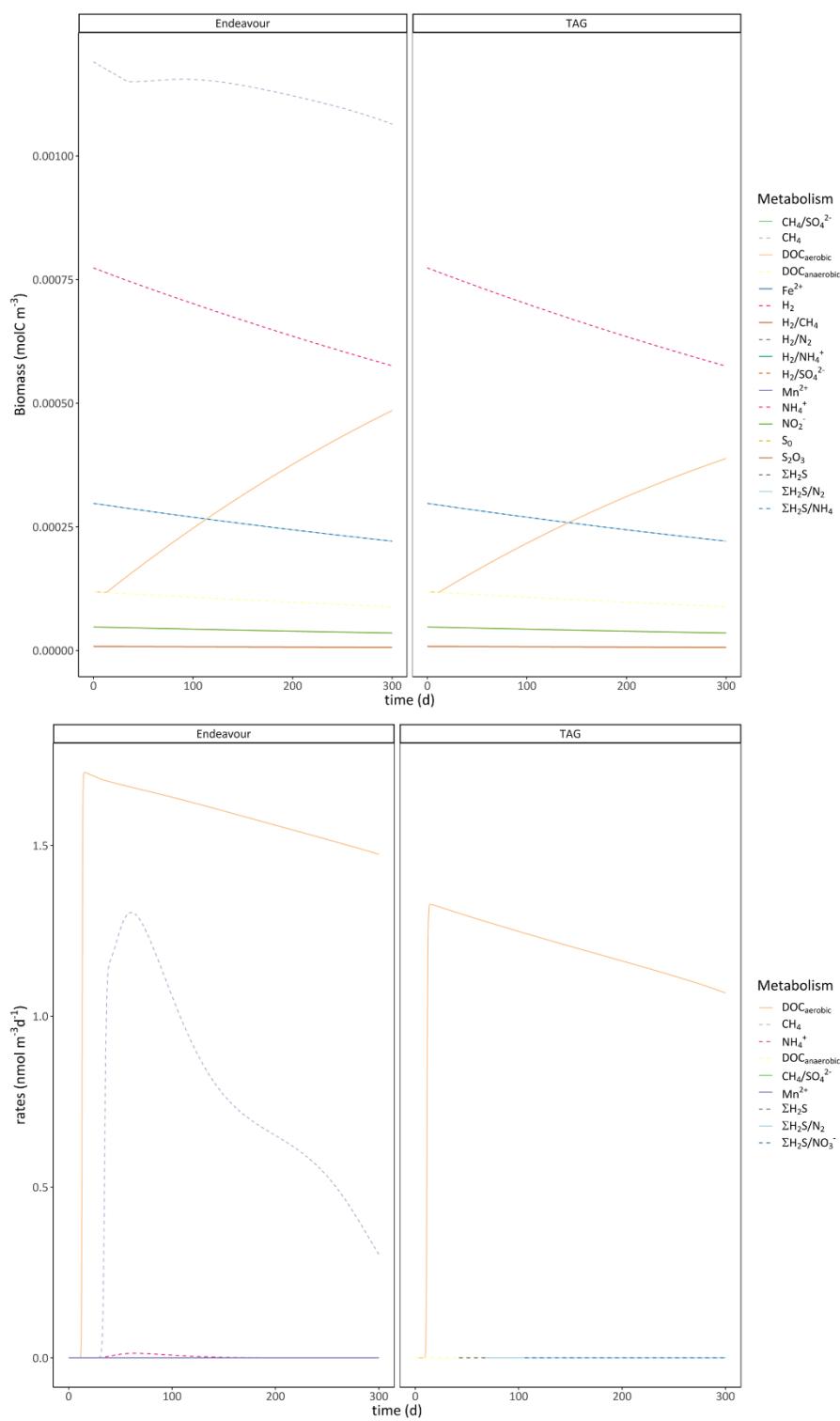




54

55 Figure S.2. (continued)

56



57

58 Figure S.3. 300 days model runs for the Endeavour Main Field and TAG vent sites. Top: model
59 outputs for biomass production rates for the different metabolic groups. Bottom: model
60 output for activity rates for the different metabolic groups.

61

62

63 Supplementary references:

- 64 1 Charlou, J. L. et al. in *Diversity of Hydrothermal Systems on Slow Spreading Ocean Ridges* Vol.
65 188 *Geophys. Monogr. Ser.* 265-296 (AGU, 2010).
- 66 2 Charlou, J. L., Donval, J. P., Fouquet, Y., Jean-Baptiste, P. & Holm, N. Geochemistry of high
67 H(2) and CH(4) vent fluids issuing from ultramafic rocks at the Rainbow hydrothermal field
68 (36 degrees 14 ' N, MAR). *Chemical Geology* **191**, 345-359, doi:10.1016/s0009-
69 2541(02)00134-1 (2002).
- 70 3 James, R. H., Elderfield, H. & Palmer, M. R. The chemistry of hydrothermal fluids from the
71 Broken Spur site, 29°N Mid-Atlantic ridge. *Geochim. Cosmochim. Acta* **59**, 651-659,
72 doi:[https://doi.org/10.1016/0016-7037\(95\)00003-1](https://doi.org/10.1016/0016-7037(95)00003-1) (1995).
- 73 4 Charlou, J. L. et al. Compared geochemical signatures and the evolution of Menez Gwen
74 (37°50'N) and Lucky Strike (37°17'N) hydrothermal fluids, south of the Azores Triple Junction
75 on the Mid-Atlantic Ridge. *Chemical Geology* **171**, 49-75,
76 doi:[http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/S0009-2541\(00\)00244-8](http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/S0009-2541(00)00244-8) (2000).
- 77 5 Pester, N. J., Rough, M., Ding, K. & Seyfried, W. E. A new Fe/Mn geothermometer for
78 hydrothermal systems: Implications for high-salinity fluids at 13°N on the East Pacific Rise.
79 *Geochim. Cosmochim. Acta* **75**, 7881-7892, doi:<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.gca.2011.08.043>
80 (2011).
- 81 6 Lin, T. J. et al. Linkages between mineralogy, fluid chemistry, and microbial communities
82 within hydrothermal chimneys from the Endeavour Segment, Juan de Fuca Ridge.
83 *Geochemistry, Geophysics, Geosystems* **17**, 300-323, doi:10.1002/2015GC006091 (2016).
- 84 7 Gallant, R. M. & Von Damm, K. L. Geochemical controls on hydrothermal fluids from the
85 Kairei and Edmond Vent Fields, 23°–25°S, Central Indian Ridge. *Geochemistry, Geophysics,
86 Geosystems* **7**, doi:<https://doi.org/10.1029/2005GC001067> (2006).
- 87 8 Germanovich, L. N., Hurt, R. S., Smith, J. E., Genc, G. & Lowell, R. P. Measuring fluid flow and
88 heat output in seafloor hydrothermal environments. *Journal of Geophysical Research: Solid
89 Earth* **120**, 8031-8055, doi:10.1002/2015JB012245 (2015).
- 90 9 Mittelstaedt, E. et al. Quantifying diffuse and discrete venting at the Tour Eiffel vent site,
91 Lucky Strike hydrothermal field. *Geochemistry, Geophysics, Geosystems* **13**, Q04008,
92 doi:10.1029/2011GC003991 (2012).
- 93 10 German, C. R. et al. Diverse styles of submarine venting on the ultraslow spreading Mid-
94 Cayman Rise. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of
95 America* **107**, 14020-14025, doi:10.1073/pnas.1009205107 (2010).
- 96 11 Rudnicki, M. D. & German, C. R. Temporal variability of the hydrothermal plume above the
97 Kairei vent field, 25°S, Central Indian Ridge. *Geochemistry, Geophysics, Geosystems* **3**, XXX-
98 XXX, doi:<https://doi.org/10.1029/2001GC000240> (2002).
- 99 12 Murton, B. J., Redbourn, L. J., German, C. R. & Baker, E. T. Sources and fluxes of hydrothermal
100 heat, chemicals and biology within a segment of the Mid-Atlantic Ridge. *Earth and Planetary
101 Science Letters* **171**, 301-317, doi:[https://doi.org/10.1016/S0012-821X\(99\)00157-0](https://doi.org/10.1016/S0012-821X(99)00157-0) (1999).
- 102 13 Baker, E. T., German, C. R. & Elderfield, H. in *Seafloor Hydrothermal Systems: Physical,
103 Chemical, Biological, and Geological Interactions* Vol. 91 *Geophys. Monogr. Ser.* 47-71 (AGU,
104 1995).
- 105 14 Konn, C. et al. Extending the dataset of fluid geochemistry in hydrothermal vents on the Mid-
106 Atlantic Ridge (23-37°N): time series and organic composition. *Deep Sea Research Part A.
107 Oceanographic Research Papers* (accepted with major revisions).
- 108 15 Rossel, P. E. et al. Thermally altered marine dissolved organic matter in hydrothermal fluids.
109 *Organic Geochemistry* **110**, 73-86, doi:<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.orggeochem.2017.05.003>
110 (2017).
- 111 16 Lang, S. Q., Butterfield, D. A., Schulte, M., Kelley, D. S. & Lilley, M. D. Elevated concentrations
112 of formate, acetate and dissolved organic carbon found at the Lost City hydrothermal field.
113 *Geochim. Cosmochim. Acta* **74**, 941-952, doi:10.1016/j.gca.2009.10.045 (2010).

- 114 17 Hawkes, J. A. *et al.* Efficient removal of recalcitrant deep-ocean dissolved organic matter
115 during hydrothermal circulation. *Nature Geoscience* **8**, 856-860, doi:10.1038/ngeo2543
116 (2015).
- 117 18 Longnecker, K., Sievert, S. M., Sylva, S. P., Seewald, J. S. & Kujawinski, E. B. Dissolved organic
118 carbon compounds in deep-sea hydrothermal vent fluids from the East Pacific Rise at 9°50'N.
119 *Organic Geochemistry* **125**, 41-49, doi:<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.orggeochem.2018.08.004>
120 (2018).
- 121 19 Lang, S. Q., Butterfield, D. A., Lilley, M. D., Paul Johnson, H. & Hedges, J. I. Dissolved organic
122 carbon in ridge-axis and ridge-flank hydrothermal systems. *Geochim. Cosmochim. Acta* **70**,
123 3830-3842, doi:<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.gca.2006.04.031> (2006).
- 124 20 Butterfield, D. A. *et al.* Gradients in the composition of hydrothermal fluids from the
125 Endeavour segment vent field: Phase separation and brine loss. *Journal of Geophysical
126 Research: Solid Earth* **99**, 9561-9583, doi:doi:10.1029/93JB03132 (1994).
- 127 21 Williams, P. M. & Druffel, E. R. M. Radiocarbon in dissolved organic matter in the central
128 North Pacific Ocean. *Nature* **330**, 246-248 (1987).
- 129 22 Hertkorn, N. *et al.* Characterization of a major refractory component of marine dissolved
130 organic matter. *Geochim. Cosmochim. Acta* **70**, 2990-3010,
131 doi:<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.gca.2006.03.021> (2006).
- 132 23 Bendtsen, J., Lundsgaard, C., Middelboe, M. & Archer, D. Influence of bacterial uptake on
133 deep-ocean dissolved organic carbon. *Glob. Biogeochem. Cycle* **16**, 74-71-74-12,
134 doi:<https://doi.org/10.1029/2002GB001947> (2002).
- 135 24 Reed, D. C. *et al.* Predicting the response of the deep-ocean microbiome to geochemical
136 perturbations by hydrothermal vents. *Isme Journal* **9**, 1857-1869, doi:10.1038/ismej.2015.4
137 (2015).
- 138 25 Charlou, J.-L. & Donval, J.-P. Hydrothermal methane venting between 12°N and 26°N along
139 the Mid-Atlantic Ridge. *Journal of Geophysical Research: Solid Earth* **98**, 9625-9642,
140 doi:10.1029/92JB02047 (1993).
- 141 26 Rudnicki, M. D. & Elderfield, H. Theory applied to the Mid-Atlantic Ridge hydrothermal
142 plumes: the finite-difference approach. *J. Volcanol. Geotherm. Res.* **50**, doi:10.1016/0377-
143 0273(92)90043-d (1992).
- 144 27 González-Santana, D. *et al.* Processes Driving Iron and Manganese Dispersal From the TAG
145 Hydrothermal Plume (Mid-Atlantic Ridge): Results From a GEOTRACES Process Study.
146 *Frontiers in Marine Science* **7**, doi:10.3389/fmars.2020.00568 (2020).
- 147 28 Statham, P. J., German, C. R. & Connelly, D. P. Iron (II) distribution and oxidation kinetics in
148 hydrothermal plumes at the Kairei and Edmond vent sites, Indian Ocean. *Earth and Planetary
149 Science Letters* **236**, 588-596, doi:<http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.epsl.2005.03.008> (2005).
- 150 29 Gamo, T. *et al.* Chemical characteristics of newly discovered black smoker fluids and
151 associated hydrothermal plumes at the Rodriguez Triple Junction, Central Indian Ridge. *Earth
152 and Planetary Science Letters* **193**, 371-379, doi:[https://doi.org/10.1016/S0012-
153 821X\(01\)00511-8](https://doi.org/10.1016/S0012-821X(01)00511-8) (2001).
- 154 30 Gamo, T. *et al.* Hydrothermal plumes at the Rodriguez triple junction, Indian ridge. *Earth and
155 Planetary Science Letters* **142**, 261-270, doi:[https://doi.org/10.1016/0012-821X\(96\)00087-8](https://doi.org/10.1016/0012-821X(96)00087-8)
156 (1996).
- 157 31 Kadko, D. C., Rosenberg, N. D., Lupton, J. E., Collier, R. W. & Lilley, M. D. Chemical reaction
158 rates and entrainment within the Endeavour Ridge hydrothermal plume. *Earth and Planetary
159 Science Letters* **99**, 315-335, doi:[https://doi.org/10.1016/0012-821X\(90\)90137-M](https://doi.org/10.1016/0012-821X(90)90137-M) (1990).
- 160 32 Sharp, J. L. *Manganese and Iron Geochemistry in the Endeavour Ridge: Hydrothermal Plume*
161 Master of Science thesis, Oregon State University, (1991).
- 162 33 Lam, P., Cowen, J. P., Popp, B. N. & Jones, R. D. Microbial ammonia oxidation and enhanced
163 nitrogen cycling in the Endeavour hydrothermal plume. *Geochim. Cosmochim. Acta* **72**, 2268-
164 2286, doi:<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.gca.2008.01.033> (2008).

- 165 34 Cowen, J. P., Wen, X. & Popp, B. N. Methane in aging hydrothermal plumes. *Geochim. Cosmochim. Acta* **66**, 3563-3571, doi:[https://doi.org/10.1016/S0016-7037\(02\)00975-4](https://doi.org/10.1016/S0016-7037(02)00975-4) (2002).
- 166
167
168 35 Radford-Knoery, J., German, C. R., Charlou, J.-L., Donval, J.-P. & Fouquet, Y. Distribution and behavior of dissolved hydrogen sulfide in hydrothermal plumes. *Limnol. Oceanogr.* **46**, 461-464, doi:<https://doi.org/10.4319/lo.2001.46.2.0461> (2001).
- 171 36 Schmidt, K., Koschinsky, A., Garbe-Schönberg, D., de Carvalho, L. M. & Seifert, R. Geochemistry of hydrothermal fluids from the ultramafic-hosted Logatchev hydrothermal field, 15°N on the Mid-Atlantic Ridge: Temporal and spatial investigation. *Chemical Geology* **242**, 1-21, doi:<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.chemgeo.2007.01.023> (2007).
- 175 37 Keir, R. S., Schmale, O., Seifert, R. & Süttenfuß, J. Isotope fractionation and mixing in methane plumes from the Logatchev hydrothermal field. *Geochemistry, Geophysics, Geosystems* **10**, Q05005, doi:10.1029/2009GC002403 (2009).
- 179
180 38 Zhou, H., Wu, Z., Peng, X., Jiang, L. & Tang, S. Detection of methane plumes in the water column of Logatchev hydrothermal vent field, Mid-Atlantic Ridge. *Chinese Science Bulletin* **52**, 2140-2146, doi:10.1007/s11434-007-0285-y (2007).
- 181 39 German, C. R., Rudnicki, M. D. & Klinkhammer, G. P. A segment-scale survey of the Broken Spur hydrothermal plume. *Deep Sea Research Part I: Oceanographic Research Papers* **46**, 701-714, doi:[https://doi.org/10.1016/S0967-0637\(98\)00078-8](https://doi.org/10.1016/S0967-0637(98)00078-8) (1999).
- 184 40 James, R. H. et al. Hydrothermal plumes at Broken Spur, 29°N Mid-Atlantic Ridge: chemical and physical characteristics. *Geological Society, London, Special Publications* **87**, 97-110, doi:10.1144/gsl.Sp.1995.087.01.09 (1995).

187