

**Comments to the author:**

Sorry to come back with another thing, but I only just found the supplement. I'd been wondering why there was no figure showing the shapes, and I see it is sitting in the supplement! Some of the supplemental figures are referenced several times in the manuscript, so they should be included in the main manuscript. For those that are not referenced in the main manuscript, there should be a paragraph of text in the supplement explaining what the figures are. In short, the supplement should contain information that is supplemental - of interest to readers, but not critical to the paper. Note that supplements are not archived so the same level as the main paper, so anything at all critical needs to be in the main manuscript.

We appreciate your suggestions. We agree that the snow shape figure is important one, and thus we have moved it the main text from the supplementary materials. Considering that the other figures in the supplementary materials are not critical to the main points and conclusions of this paper and just for the additional interests of the readers, all of them are kept in the supplementary materials and cited in the main text. We have also adjusted the figure number accordingly throughout the revised manuscript.

Thanks a lot for your nice review!