

Chapter 7

Supplementary Information

Table S1. The definition of all model components

Variable	Description
S_{O_2}	Dissolved oxygen (DO) concentration
S_{NH_3}	Ammonia (NH ₃) concentration
S_{NH_4}	Ammonium (NH ₄ ⁺) concentration
S_{NO_2}	Nitrite (NO ₂ ⁻) concentration
S_{NO_3}	Nitrate (NO ₃ ⁻) concentration
S_{N_2}	Nitrogen gas (N ₂) concentration
S_{HNO_2}	Free nitrite acid (FNA) concentration
S_{NO}	Nitric oxide (NO) concentration
S_{N_2O}	Nitrous oxide (N ₂ O) concentration
S_{NH_2OH}	Hydroxylamine (NH ₂ OH) concentration
S_{NOH}	Nitrosyl radical (NOH) concentration
S_{Mred}	Reduced form of electron carrier (Mred) concentration
S_{Mox}	Oxidized form of electron carrier (Mox) concentration
S_{ADP}	Released form of energy carrier (ADP) concentration
S_{ATP}	Reserved form of energy carrier (ATP) concentration
S_{CO_2}	Inorganic carbon (IC) concentration
S_S	Readily biodegradable COD concentration
X_H	Heterotrophic denitrifiers (HD) concentration
X_{AOB}	Ammonia-oxidizing bacteria (AOB) concentration

Table S2. Process matrices for the two types of four-step denitrification models describing N₂O production by heterotrophic denitrifiers

Process	Model components					Kinetic rate expressions					
	S_{NO3}	S_{NO2}	S_{NO}	S_{N2O}	S_{N2}	S_S	S_{Max}	S_{Mred}	X_{Ht}		
Model OHO-A – ASM-N, the “direct coupling approach” adapted from Hiatt and Grady (2008)											
1	$-\frac{1 - Y_H \cdot \eta_Y}{1.143 \cdot Y_H \cdot \eta_Y}$	$\frac{1 - Y_H \cdot \eta_Y}{1.143 \cdot Y_H \cdot \eta_Y}$				$-1/(O_H \cdot \eta_Y)$			1	$\mu_H \eta_{g1} \left(\frac{S_S}{K_{S1} + S_S} \right) \left(\frac{S_{NO3}}{K_{NO3} + S_{NO3}} \right) X_H$	
2	$-\frac{1 - Y_H \cdot \eta_Y}{0.571 \cdot Y_H \cdot \eta_Y}$	$\frac{1 - Y_H \cdot \eta_Y}{0.571 \cdot Y_H \cdot \eta_Y}$				$-1/(O_H \cdot \eta_Y)$			1	$\mu_H \eta_{g2} \left(\frac{S_S}{K_{S2} + S_S} \right) \left(\frac{S_{NO2}}{K_{NO2} + S_{NO2}} \right) \left(\frac{K_{NO2}}{K_{NO2} + S_{NO2}} \right) X_H$	
3	$-\frac{1 - Y_H \cdot \eta_Y}{0.571 \cdot Y_H \cdot \eta_Y}$	$\frac{1 - Y_H \cdot \eta_Y}{0.571 \cdot Y_H \cdot \eta_Y}$				$-1/(Y_H \cdot \eta_Y)$			1	$\mu_H \eta_{g3} \left(\frac{S_S}{K_{S3} + S_S} \right) \left(\frac{S_{NO}}{K_{NO} + S_{NO}} \right) \left(\frac{S_{NO}}{K_{NO} + S_{NO}} \right) \left(\frac{S_{NO}}{K_{NO,2} + S_{NO}} \right) X_H$	
4						$-1/(Y_H \cdot \eta_Y)$			1	$\mu_H \eta_{g4} \left(\frac{S_S}{K_{S4} + S_S} \right) \left(\frac{S_{N2O}}{K_{N2O} + S_{N2O}} \right) \left(\frac{K_{NO4}}{K_{NO4} + S_{NO4}} \right) X_H$	
Model OHO-B – ASM-ICE, the “indirect coupling approach” adapted from Pan <i>et al.</i> (2013b)											
1						-1			Y_H	$r_{COD,max} \left(\frac{S_S}{K_S + S_S} \right) \left(\frac{S_{Max}}{K_{Max} + S_{Max}} \right) X_H$	
2	-1	1							-1	$r_{NO3,max} \left(\frac{S_{NO3}}{K_{NO3} + S_{NO3}} \right) \left(\frac{S_{Mred}}{K_{Mred,1} + S_{Mred}} \right) X_H$	
3		-1	1						$\frac{1}{2}$	$r_{NO2,max} \left(\frac{S_{NO2}}{K_{NO2} + S_{NO2}} \right) \left(\frac{S_{Mred}}{K_{Mred,2} + S_{Mred}} \right) X_H$	
4			-1	$\frac{1}{2}$					$\frac{1}{2}$	$r_{NO,max} \left(\frac{S_{NO}}{K_{NO} + S_{NO}} \right) \left(\frac{S_{Mred}}{K_{Mred,3} + S_{Mred}} \right) X_H$	
5				-1	1				-1	$r_{N2O,max} \left(\frac{S_{N2O}}{K_{N2O} + S_{N2O}} \right) \left(\frac{S_{Mred}}{K_{Mred,4} + S_{Mred}} \right) X_H$	
											$S_{Mred} + S_{Max} = C_{tot}$

Table S3. Process matrices for the six single-pathway N₂O models of AOB in literature

Process	Model components						Kinetic rate expressions
	S_{O_2}	$\frac{S_{NH_4}}{(S_{NH_3})}$	S_{NH_2OH}	S_{NOH}	S_{NO}	S_{N_2O}	
Model A – AOB denitrification pathway (Ni et al., 2011)							
A-1	-1.14	-1	1				$\frac{S_{O_2}}{K_{O_2, AOB,1} + S_{O_2}} \frac{S_{NH_4}}{K_{NH_4, AOB} + S_{NH_4}} X_{AOB}$
A-2	$-\frac{2.29 - Y_{AOB}}{Y_{AOB}}$	$-i_{N, AOB}$	$-\frac{1}{Y_{AOB}}$	$\frac{1}{Y_{AOB}}$	1		$\frac{S_{O_2}}{K_{O_2, AOB,2} + S_{O_2}} \frac{K_{NH_2OH, AOB} + S_{NH_2OH}}{K_{NH_2OH, AOB} + S_{NH_2OH}} X_{AOB}$
A-3		-1	-1	-3	4		$\frac{K_{NO_2, AOB}}{S_{O_2} + K_{NO_2, AOB}} \frac{S_{NO_2}}{K_{NO_2, AOB} + S_{NO_2}} \frac{S_{NH_2OH}}{K_{NH_2OH, AOB} + S_{NH_2OH}} X_{AOB}$
A-4		-1	-1	1	-4	4	$\frac{K_{NO_2, AOB}}{S_{O_2} + K_{NO_2, AOB}} \frac{S_{NO}}{K_{NO, AOB} + S_{NO}} \frac{S_{NH_2OH}}{K_{NH_2OH, AOB} + S_{NH_2OH}} X_{AOB}$
Model A1 – AOB denitrification pathway (Pocquet et al., 2013)							
A1-1	-1.14	-1	1				$\frac{S_{O_2}}{K_{O_2, AOB,1} + S_{O_2}} \frac{S_{NH_3}}{K_{NH_3, AOB} + S_{NH_3} + (S_{NH_3})^2 / K_{1, NH_3, AOB}} X_{AOB}$
A1-2	$-\frac{2.29 - Y_{AOB}}{Y_{AOB}}$	$-i_{N, AOB}$	$-\frac{1}{Y_{AOB}}$	$\frac{1}{Y_{AOB}}$	1		$\frac{S_{O_2}}{K_{O_2, AOB,2} + S_{O_2}} \frac{S_{NH_2OH}}{K_{NH_2OH, AOB} + S_{NH_2OH}} X_{AOB}$
A1-3		-1	-1	-3	4		$\frac{S_{HNO_2}}{K_{HNO_2, AOB} + S_{HNO_2}} \frac{S_{NH_2OH}}{K_{NH_2OH, AOB} + S_{NH_2OH}} X_{AOB}$
A1-4		-1	-1	1	-4	4	$\frac{S_{NO}}{K_{NO, AOB} + S_{NO}} \frac{S_{NH_2OH}}{K_{NH_2OH, AOB} + S_{NH_2OH}} X_{AOB}$
Model B – AOB denitrification pathway (Mampaey et al., 2013)							
B-1	$-\frac{3.43 - Y_{AOB}}{Y_{AOB}}$	$-\frac{1}{Y_{AOB}} - i_{N, AOB}$	$\frac{1}{Y_{AOB}}$	$\frac{1}{Y_{AOB}}$	1		$\frac{S_{O_2}}{K_{O_2, AOB} + S_{O_2}} \frac{S_{NH_3}}{K_{NH_3, AOB} + S_{NH_3}} X_{AOB}$
B-2	$-\frac{2.29 - Y_{AOB, den}}{Y_{AOB, den}}$	$-\frac{1}{Y_{AOB, den}} - i_{N, AOB}$	$-\frac{1}{Y_{AOB, den}}$	$\frac{2}{Y_{AOB, den}}$	1		$\frac{S_{O_2}}{K_{O_2, AOB} + S_{O_2}} \frac{S_{NH_3}}{K_{NH_3, AOB} + S_{NH_3}} \frac{S_{HNO_2}}{K_{HNO_2, AOB} + S_{HNO_2}} X_{AOB}$

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B-3	$-\frac{2.29 - Y_{AOB,den}}{Y_{AOB,den}}$	$-\frac{i_{N,AOB}}{Y_{AOB,den}}$	$\frac{1}{Y_{AOB,den}}$	$-\frac{2}{Y_{AOB,den}}$	$\frac{2}{Y_{AOB,den}}$	1	$\eta_{AOB} \mu_{AOB} \frac{S_{O_2}}{K_{O_2,AOB} + S_{O_2}} \frac{S_{NH_3}}{K_{NH_3,AOB} + S_{NH_3}} \frac{S_{NO}}{K_{NO,AOB} + S_{NO}} \frac{X_{AOB}}{X_{NO}}$
Model B1 – AOB denitrification pathway (Guo and Vanrolleghem, 2014)							
B1-1	$-\frac{3.43 - Y_{AOB}}{Y_{AOB}}$	$-\frac{i_{N,AOB}}{Y_{AOB}}$	$\frac{1}{Y_{AOB}}$	$-\frac{2}{Y_{AOB,den}}$	$\frac{2}{Y_{AOB,den}}$	1	$\mu_{AOB} \frac{S_{O_2}}{K_{O_2,AOB} + S_{O_2}} \frac{S_{NH_3}}{K_{NH_3,AOB} + S_{NH_3}} \frac{S_{NO}}{K_{NO,AOB} + S_{NO}} \frac{K_{I,HNO_2,AOB}}{K_{I,HNO_2,AOB} + S_{HNO_2}} X_{AOB}$
B1-2	$-\frac{2.29 - Y_{AOB,den}}{Y_{AOB,den}}$	$-\frac{i_{N,AOB}}{Y_{AOB,den}}$	$\frac{1}{Y_{AOB,den}}$	$-\frac{2}{Y_{AOB,den}}$	$\frac{2}{Y_{AOB,den}}$	1	$\eta_{AOB} \mu_{AOB} \frac{S_{NH_3}}{K_{NH_3,AOB,den} + S_{NH_3}} \frac{S_{HNO_2}}{K_{HNO_2,AOB} + S_{HNO_2}} X_{AOB} DO_{Haldane}$
B1-3	$-\frac{2.29 - Y_{AOB,den}}{Y_{AOB,den}}$	$-\frac{i_{N,AOB}}{Y_{AOB,den}}$	$\frac{1}{Y_{AOB,den}}$	$-\frac{2}{Y_{AOB,den}}$	$\frac{2}{Y_{AOB,den}}$	1	$\eta_{AOB} \mu_{AOB} \frac{S_{NH_3}}{K_{NH_3,AOB,den} + S_{NH_3}} \frac{S_{NO}}{K_{NO,AOB} + S_{NO}} X_{AOB} DO_{Haldane}$
Model C – NH₂OH/NOH pathway (Law et al., 2012)							
C-1	-1.14	-1	$\frac{1}{Y_{AOB}}$	$-\frac{1}{Y_{AOB}}$	$\frac{1}{Y_{AOB}}$	1	$\mu_{AOB,AMO} \frac{S_{O_2}}{K_{O_2,AOB,1} + S_{O_2}} \frac{S_{NH_4}}{K_{NH_4,AOB} + S_{NH_4}} X_{AOB}$
C-2	$-\frac{1.14 - Y_{AOB}}{Y_{AOB}}$	$-\frac{i_{N,AOB}}{Y_{AOB}}$	$\frac{1}{Y_{AOB}}$	$-\frac{1}{Y_{AOB}}$	$\frac{1}{Y_{AOB}}$	1	$\mu_{AOB,HNO,1} \frac{S_{O_2}}{K_{O_2,AOB,2} + S_{O_2}} \frac{S_{NH_2OH}}{K_{NH_2OH,AOB} + S_{NH_2OH}} X_{AOB}$
C-3	-1.14	-1	$\frac{1}{Y_{AOB}}$	$-\frac{1}{Y_{AOB}}$	$\frac{1}{Y_{AOB}}$	1	$\mu_{AOB,HNO,2} \frac{S_{O_2}}{K_{O_2,AOB,2} + S_{O_2}} \frac{S_{NOH}}{K_{NOH,AOB} + S_{NOH}} X_{AOB}$
C-4						1	$k_{NOH} S_{NOH}$
Model D – NH₂OH/NO pathway (Ni et al., 2013b)							
D-1	-1.14	-1	$\frac{1}{Y_{AOB}}$	$-\frac{1}{Y_{AOB}}$	$\frac{1}{Y_{AOB}}$	1	$\mu_{AOB,AMO} \frac{S_{O_2}}{K_{O_2,AOB,1} + S_{O_2}} \frac{S_{NH_4}}{K_{NH_4,AOB} + S_{NH_4}} X_{AOB}$
D-2	$-\frac{1.71 - Y_{AOB}}{Y_{AOB}}$	$-\frac{i_{N,AOB}}{Y_{AOB}}$	$\frac{1}{Y_{AOB}}$	$-\frac{1}{Y_{AOB}}$	$\frac{1}{Y_{AOB}}$	1	$\mu_{AOB,HNO,1} \frac{S_{O_2}}{K_{O_2,AOB,2} + S_{O_2}} \frac{S_{NH_2OH}}{K_{NH_2OH,AOB} + S_{NH_2OH}} X_{AOB}$
D-3	-0.57		$\frac{1}{Y_{AOB}}$	$-\frac{1}{Y_{AOB}}$	$\frac{1}{Y_{AOB}}$	1	$\mu_{AOB,HNO,2} \frac{S_{O_2}}{K_{O_2,AOB,2} + S_{O_2}} \frac{S_{NO}}{K_{NO,AOB} + S_{NO}} X_{AOB}$
D-4						4	$\eta_{AOB} \mu_{AOB,HNO,1} \frac{S_{NO}}{K_{NO,AOB} + S_{NO}} \frac{S_{NH_2OH}}{K_{NH_2OH,AOB} + S_{NH_2OH}} X_{AOB}$

$$DO_{Haldane} = \frac{S_{O_2}}{K_{O_2,AOB,den} + (1 - 2) \frac{K_{O_2,AOB,den}}{K_{I,O_2,AOB}} \frac{S_{O_2}}{K_{I,O_2,AOB}}} \frac{S_{O_2}}{K_{O_2,AOB} + S_{O_2}} \frac{S_{NH_3}}{K_{NH_3,AOB} + S_{NH_3}} \frac{S_{NO}}{K_{NO,AOB} + S_{NO}} \frac{X_{AOB}}{X_{NO}}$$

Table S4. Process matrices for the two-pathway N₂O models of AOB in literature

Process	Model components										Kinetic rate expressions	
	S _{O2}	S _{NH4} (S _{NH3})	S _{NH2OH}	S _{NO2}	S _{NO}	S _{N2O}	S _{Max}	S _{Mred}	S _{A DP}	S _{CO2}		X _{AOB}
Model E – Decoupling approach, electron balance based model (Ni <i>et al.</i> , 2014)												
E-1	-1	-1	1			1	-1					$r_{NH4,ox} \frac{S_{O2}}{K_{O2,NH4} + S_{O2}} \frac{S_{NH4}}{K_{NH4} + S_{NH4}} \frac{S_{Mred}}{K_{Mred,1} + S_{Mred}} X_{AOB}$
E-2			-1	1		-3/2	3/2					$r_{NH2OH,ox} \frac{S_{NH2OH}}{K_{NH2OH} + S_{NH2OH}} \frac{S_{Max}}{K_{Max} + S_{Max}} X_{AOB}$
E-3			1	-1		-1/2	1/2					$r_{NO,ox} \frac{S_{NO}}{K_{NO,ox} + S_{NO}} \frac{S_{Max}}{K_{Max} + S_{Max}} X_{AOB}$
E-4				-1	1/2	1/2	-1/2					$r_{NO,red} \frac{S_{NO}}{K_{NO,red} + S_{NO}} \frac{S_{Mred}}{K_{Mred,2} + S_{Mred}} X_{AOB}$
E-5	-1/2					1	-1					$r_{O2,red} \frac{S_{O2}}{K_{O2,red} + S_{O2}} \frac{S_{Mred}}{K_{Mred,3} + S_{Mred}} X_{AOB}$
E-6				-1	1/2	1	-1					$r_{NO2,red} \frac{S_{NO2}}{K_{NO2} + S_{NO2}} \frac{S_{Mred}}{K_{Mred,4} + S_{Mred}} X_{AOB}$
												$S_{Mred} + S_{Max} = C_{tot}$
Model F – Decoupling approach, electron and ATP balance based model (Peng <i>et al.</i> , 2015a)												
F-1	-1	-1	1			1	-1	-2/3	2/3			$r_{NH4,ox} \frac{S_{O2}}{K_{O2,NH4} + S_{O2}} \frac{S_{NH4}}{K_{NH4} + S_{NH4}} \frac{S_{Mred}}{K_{Mred,1} + S_{Mred}} \frac{S_{ADP}}{K_{ADP} + S_{ADP}} X_{AOB}$
F-2			-1	1		-1	1					$r_{NH2OH,ox} \frac{S_{NH2OH}}{K_{NH2OH} + S_{NH2OH}} \frac{S_{Max}}{K_{Max} + S_{Max}} X_{AOB}$
F-3			1	-1		-1	1					$r_{NO,ox} \frac{S_{NO}}{K_{NO,ox} + S_{NO}} \frac{S_{Max}}{K_{Max} + S_{Max}} X_{AOB}$
F-4				-1	1/2							$r_{NO,red} \frac{S_{NO}}{K_{NO,red} + S_{NO}} X_{AOB}$

F-5	-1/2		1	-1	-1/3	1/3	$f_{O_2,red} \frac{S_{O_2}}{K_{O_2,red} + S_{O_2}} - \frac{S_{Med}}{K_{Med,2} + S_{Med}} - \frac{S_{ADP}}{K_{ADP} + S_{ADP}} - \frac{S_{ATP}}{K_{ATP} + S_{ATP}} - X_{AOB}$
F-6		-1	1/2	1	-1/3	1/3	$f_{NO_2,red} \frac{S_{NO_2}}{K_{NO_2} + S_{NO_2}} - \frac{S_{Med}}{K_{Med,3} + S_{Med}} - \frac{S_{ADP}}{K_{ADP} + S_{ADP}} - \frac{S_{ATP}}{K_{ATP} + S_{ATP}} - X_{AOB}$
F-7			2	-2	15	-15	$f_{CO_2} \frac{S_{CO_2}}{K_{CO_2} + S_{CO_2}} - \frac{S_{Med}}{K_{Med,4} + S_{Med}} - \frac{S_{ADP}}{K_{ADP} + S_{ADP}} - \frac{S_{ATP}}{K_{ATP} + S_{ATP}} - X_{AOB}$
$S_{Med} + S_{Max} = C_{lim,1}$							
$S_{ADP} + S_{ATP} = C_{lim,2}$							
Model G – Coupling approach, model G (Pocquet et al., 2016)							
G-1	-8/7	-1	1				$q_{AOB,AMO} \frac{S_{O_2}}{S_{O_2} + K_{O_2,AOB,1}} - \frac{S_{NH_3}}{S_{NH_3} + K_{NH_3,AOB}} - X_{AOB}$
G-2	$-\frac{12/7 - Y_{AOB}}{Y_{AOB}}$	$-i_{N,BM}$	$-\frac{1}{Y_{AOB}}$			1	$\mu_{AOB,HIO} \frac{S_{O_2}}{S_{O_2} + K_{O_2,AOB,2}} - \frac{S_{NH_2OH}}{S_{NH_2OH} + K_{NH_2OH,AOB}} - \frac{S_{NH_4}}{S_{NH_4} + 10^{-12}} - X_{AOB}$
G-3	-4/7		1	-1			$q_{AOB,HIO} \frac{S_{O_2}}{S_{O_2} + K_{O_2,AOB,2}} - \frac{S_{NO}}{S_{NO} + K_{NO,AOB,HIO}} - X_{AOB}$
G-4			-1	1	-4	4	$q_{AOB,N_2O,NO} \frac{S_{NH_2OH}}{S_{NH_2OH} + K_{NH_2OH,AOB}} - \frac{S_{NO}}{S_{NO} + K_{NO,AOB,NO}} - X_{AOB}$
G-5			-1	-1	2	2	$q_{AOB,N_2O,NO} \frac{S_{NH_2OH}}{S_{NH_2OH} + K_{NH_2OH,AOB}} - \frac{S_{N_2O}}{S_{N_2O} + K_{N_2O,AOB}} - f(S_{O_2}) X_{AOB}$
$f(S_{O_2}) = \frac{S_{O_2}}{K_{O_2,AOB,NO} + (1 - 2 \cdot \sqrt{K_{O_2,AOB,NO} / K_{LO_2,AOB}}) \cdot S_{O_2} + S_{O_2}^2 / K_{LO_2,AOB}}$							
$q_{AOB,AMO} = q_{AOB,HIO} = \mu_{AOB} / Y_{AOB}$							
$q_{AOB,N_2O,NO} = \eta_{AOB,NO} q_{AOB,HIO}$							
$q_{AOB,N_2O,NO} = \eta_{AOB,NO} q_{AOB,HIO}$							