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Observation and modeling of high-⁷Be concentration events at the surface in northern Europe associated with the instability of the Arctic polar vortex in early 2003

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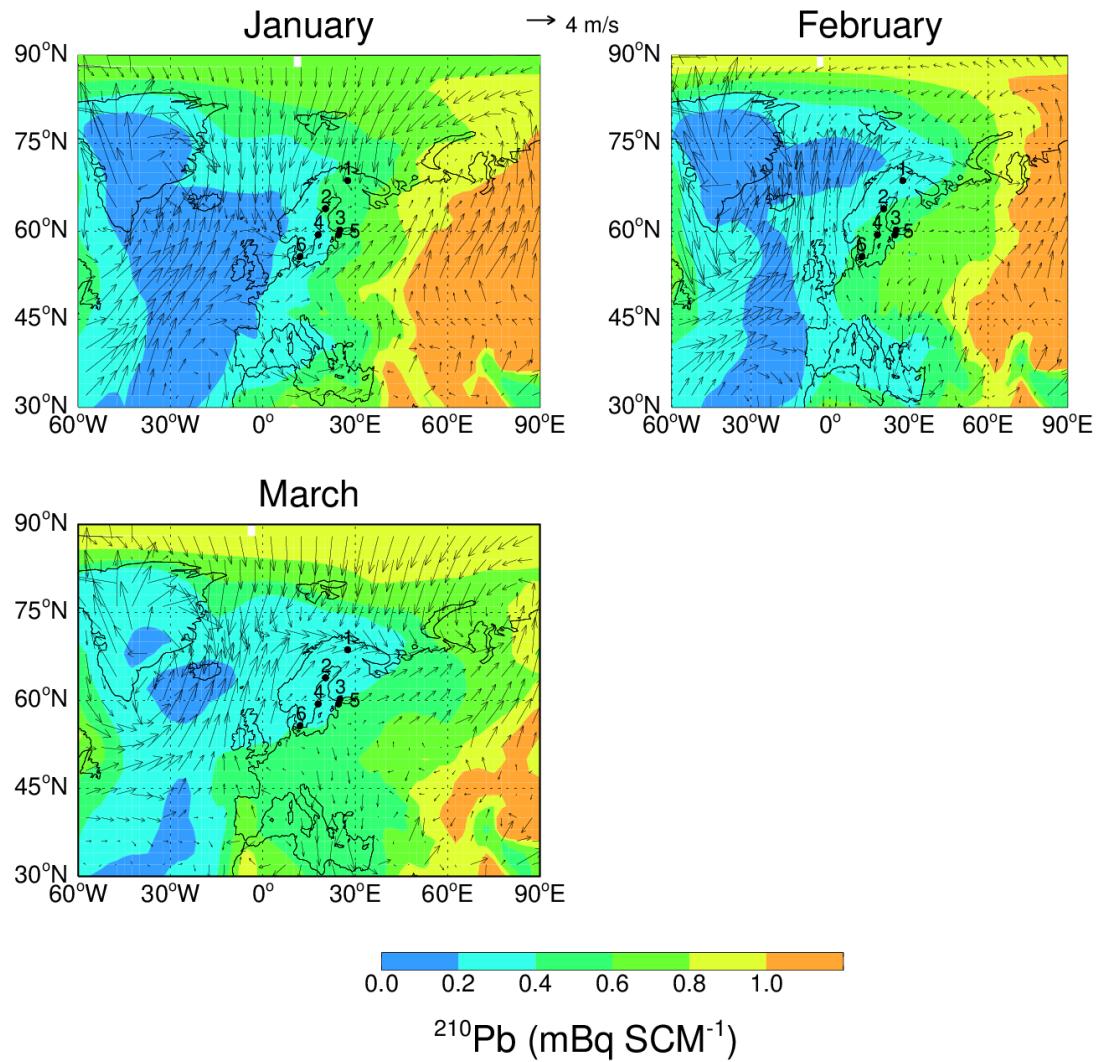
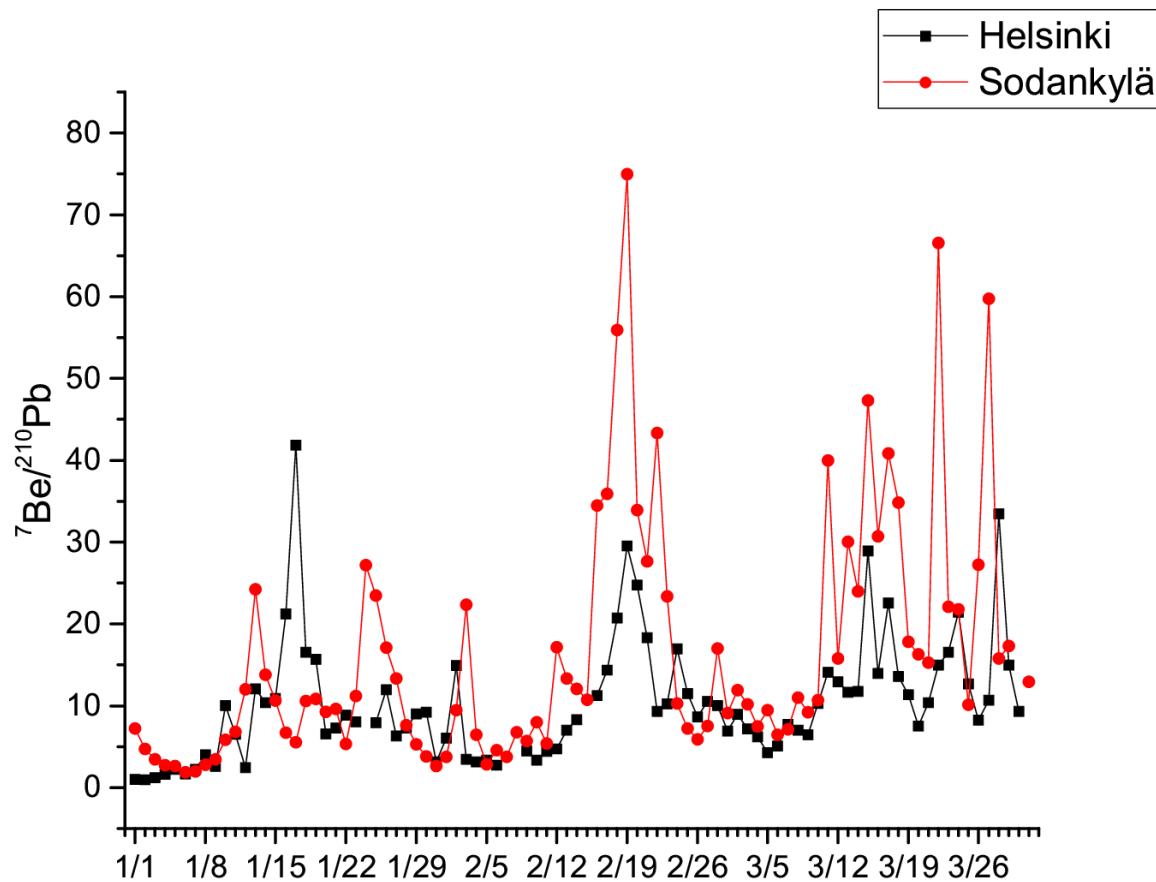
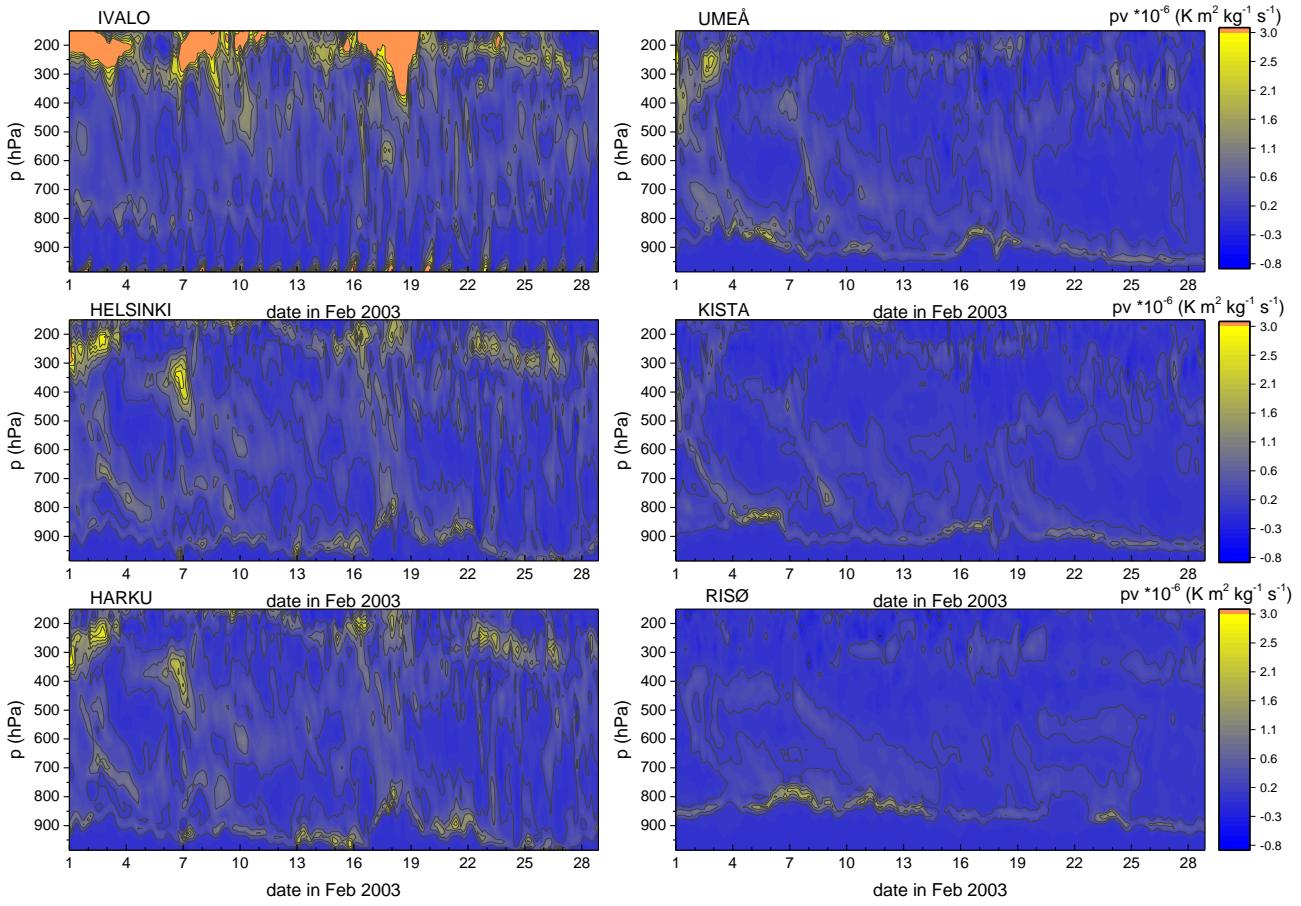


Figure S1. Simulated monthly mean ^{210}Pb surface concentrations (mBq SCM $^{-1}$). Arrows represent winds in the MERRA-2 meteorological data. The dots indicate the locations of the sampling sites: 1=Ivalo, 2=Umeå, 3=Helsinki, 4=Kista, 5=Harku, 6=Risø.

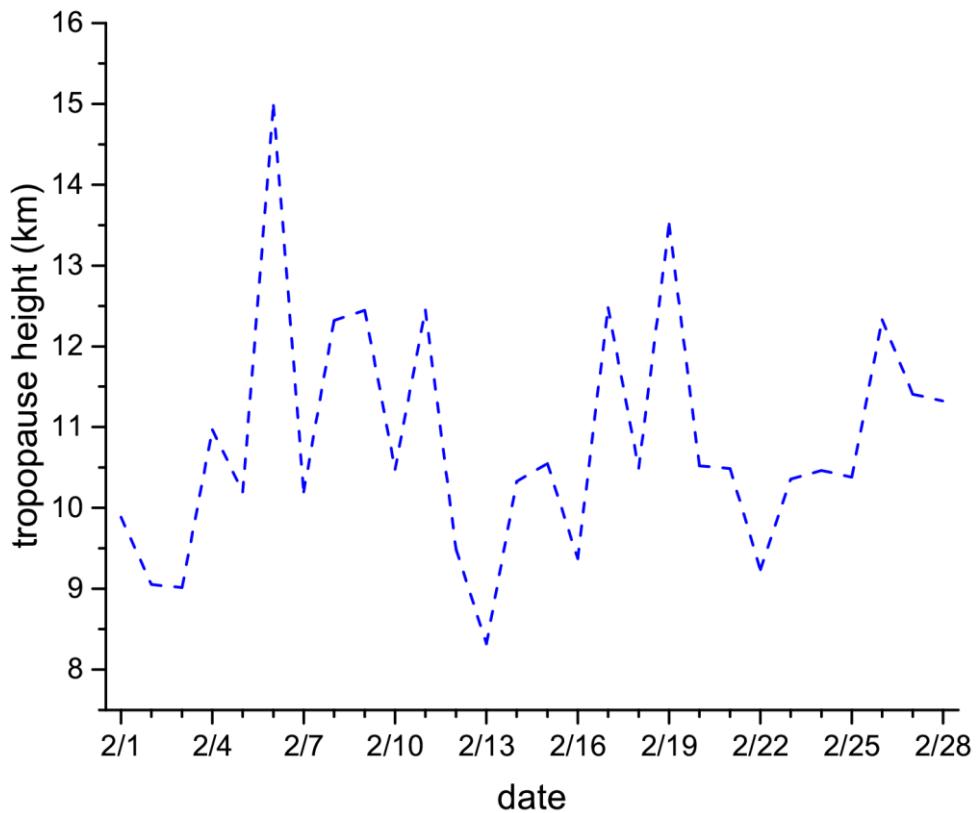


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Figure S2. Time series plots of observed daily $^{7}\text{Be}/^{210}\text{Pb}$ concentration ratio at the two stations of Helsinki ($60.21^{\circ}\text{N}, 25.06^{\circ}\text{E}$) and Sodankylä ($67.367^{\circ}\text{N}, 26.629^{\circ}\text{E}$).



20 **Figure S3.** Time-height cross-sections of MERRA-2 three-hourly Ertel's potential vorticity (in $\text{K m}^{-2} \text{kg}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1}$) during the month of February 2003 sampled at the six sampling sites.



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Figure S4. Temporal variation of MERRA-2 daily average height of thermal tropopause (in km) during February 2003 at the Sodankylä station in Finland.