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Interactive comment on "The time dependence of molecular iodine emission from *Laminaria digitata*" by S. Dixneuf et al.

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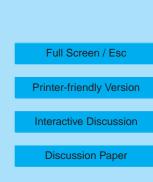
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This is a very interesting study, providing novel results about the emission of molecular iodine (I2) from Laminaria digitata. The finding of oscillating I2 emissions is exciting and has not been previously described. The experimental approach seems sound.

The manuscript has been substantially revised (incl. a more appropriate title) after a previous submission. I would recommend publishing this paper in ACP after minor revisions.

A few specific points:

p. 16507 "It is known that oxidative stress can activate a massive efflux of iodine from Laminaria species resulting in the elusion of molecular iodine and volatile halogenated compounds (Palmer et al., 2005) (so-called "iodovolatilisation")





(K¨upper et al., 1998)." -> The term "iodovolatilisation" has been introduced / used specifically for the emission of molecular iodine (not iodocarbons - see papers by Kylin and Dangeard in the 1st half of the 20th century - iodocarbon emissions from seaweeds were not known then!). Also, the references and parentheses in this sentence are messed up.

p. 16508 "15 ml of a 30% H2O2 solution was added to the water without a living Laminaria plant present." -> Can the authors please provide a final, molar concentration of H2O2?

p. 16509 "Even though in these first experiments we have not yet been able to estimate an I2 flux [mol s−1 kg−1 DW] for Laminaria digitata, our results strongly support the hypothesis by (Saiz-Lopez et al., 2004a) that biogenic emission of I2," -> reformat the citation

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