

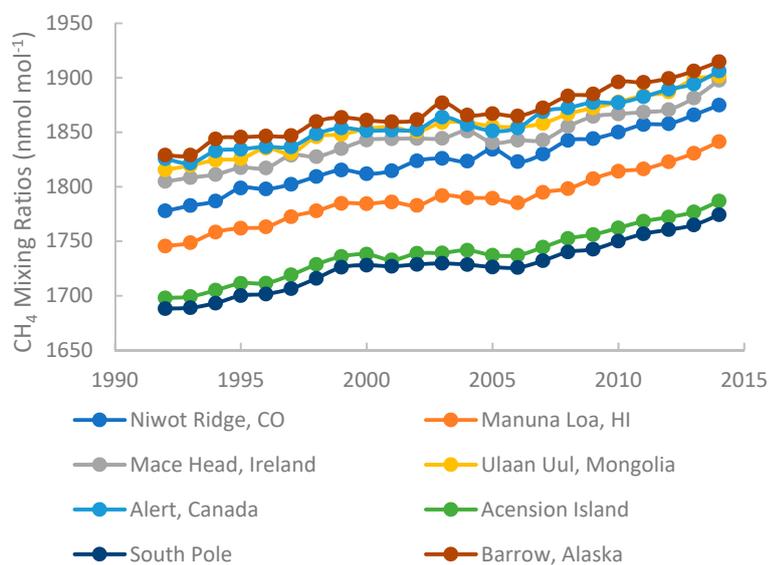
## Supplemental Figures

**Table S1.** Differences of CH<sub>4</sub> mixing ratios (nmol mol<sup>-1</sup>) between the sites.

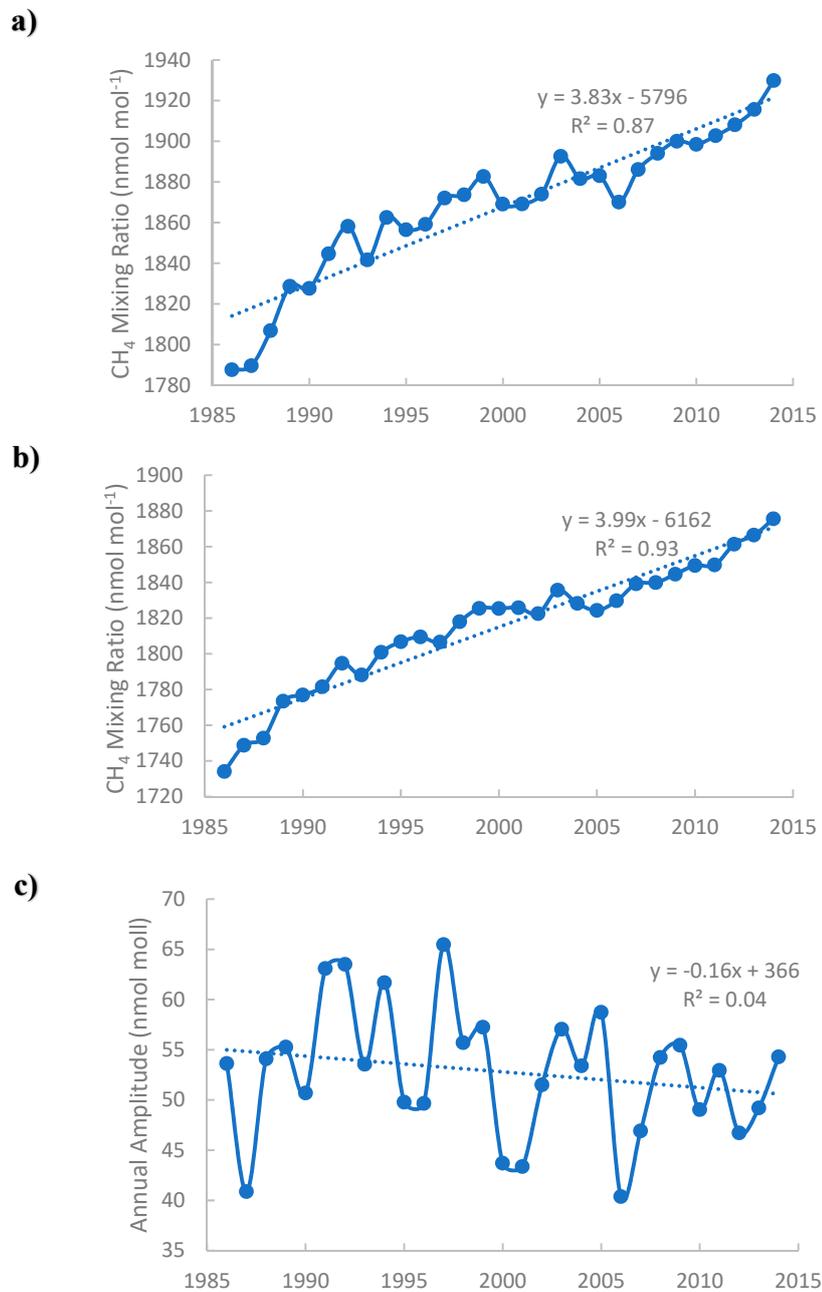
Pairs of Sites	Difference in Means	P-Value
Barrow–Alert	10.6	0.02
Barrow–Summit	18.8	0.00
Barrow–Tiksi	-14.9	0.00
Tiksi–Alert	25.5	0.00
Tiksi–Summit	33.7	0.00
Alert–Summit	8.2	0.10

**Table S2.** Summary of monthly temperature correlations between 1986–2014 with a significance level of 0.05. Bold indicates statistical significance.

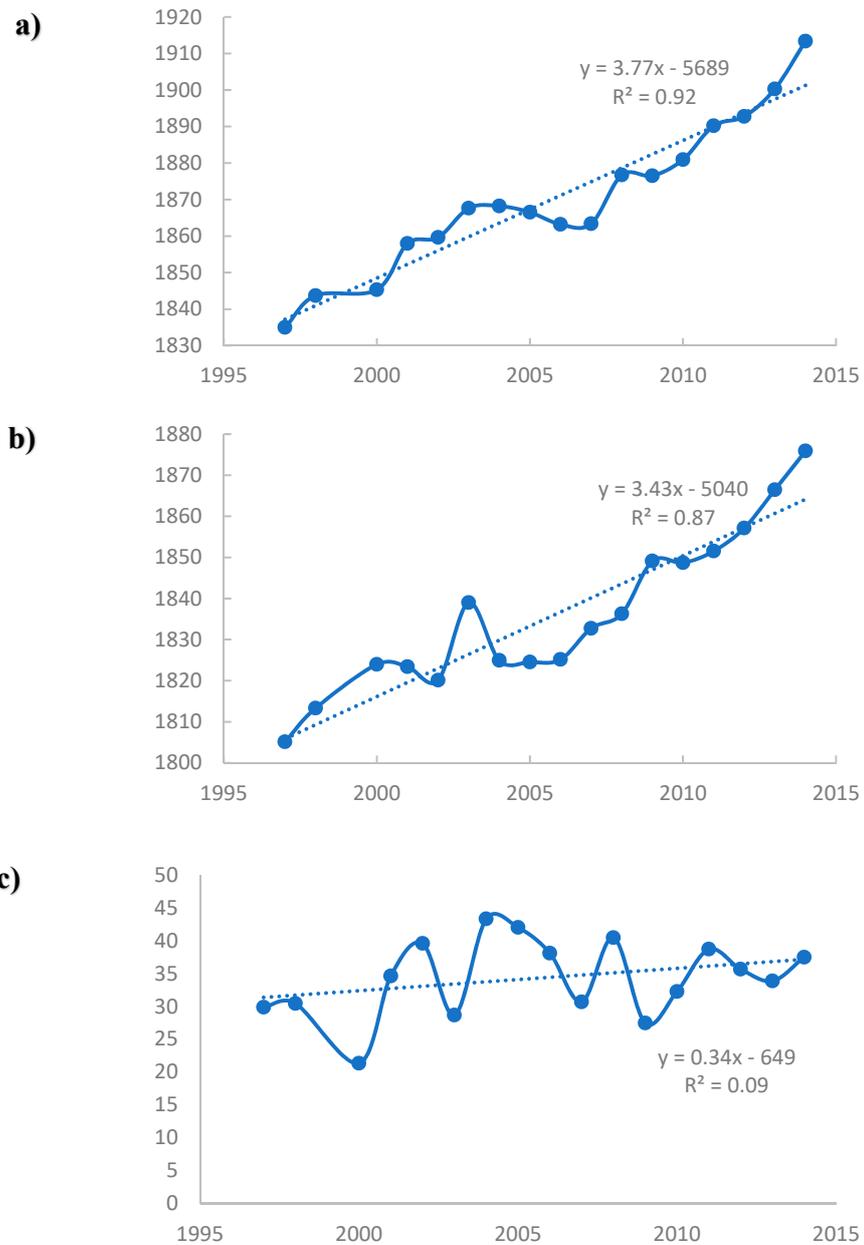
Month	Correlation	P-Value
January	0.19	0.33
February	-0.04	0.85
March	0.16	0.43
April	0.18	0.36
May	0.09	0.63
June	0.22	0.26
July	0.16	0.41
<b>August</b>	<b>0.37</b>	<b>0.05</b>
<b>September</b>	<b>0.44</b>	<b>0.02</b>
<b>October</b>	<b>0.50</b>	<b>0.01</b>
<b>November</b>	<b>0.56</b>	<b>0.00</b>
December	0.28	0.14



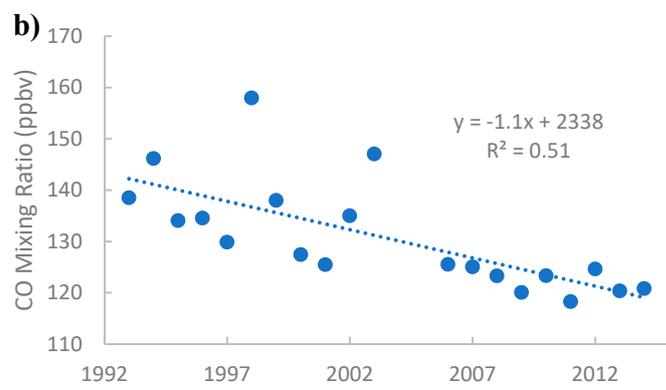
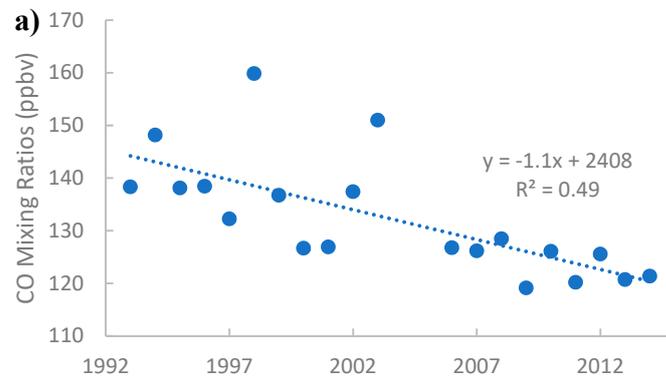
**Figure S1.** Time series of CH<sub>4</sub> mixing ratios from 10 different sites worldwide.



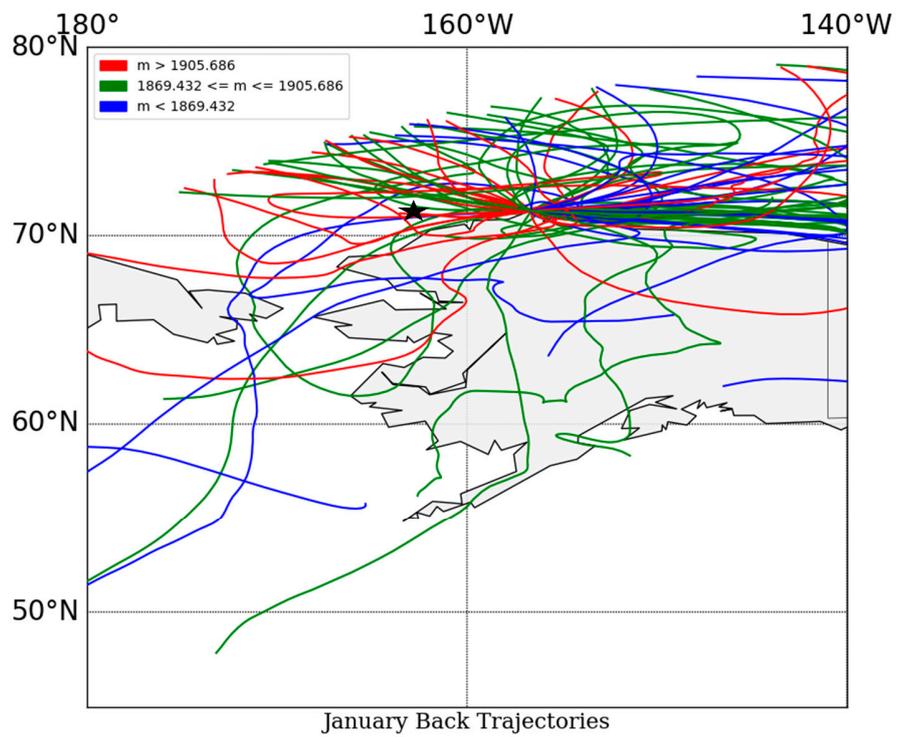
**Figure S2.** Annual maximums (a) and minimums (b) as well as annual amplitude (c) of CH<sub>4</sub> mixing ratios in Alert.



**Figure S3.** Annual maximums (a) and minimums (b) as well as annual amplitude (c) of CH<sub>4</sub> mixing ratios in Summit.



**Figure S4.** Time series of annual mean mixing ratios of CO for **(a)** Barrow and **(b)** Alert. .



**Figure S5.** Individual trajectories for the month January between 1992–2012, with their corresponding CH<sub>4</sub> mixing ratios, in Barrow. Blue represents CH<sub>4</sub> mixing ratios below the 25<sup>th</sup> percentile of mixing ratios, green represents between the 25<sup>th</sup> and 75<sup>th</sup> percentile of mixing ratios, red represents greater than the 75<sup>th</sup> percentile mixing ratios.