# Supplementary material for: Biogeochemistry and Physics of the Southern Ocean-Atmosphere System Explored With Data Science

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#### S1 Measurement methods and extraction of reanalysis data

#### S1.1 **Operational meteorological observations**

Wind speed  $(u_{31.5}, ms^{-1})$  was measured with two 2-D sonic anemometers (model: WS425 and WMT702), situated on the main mast at 31.5 metres above sea level (m a.s.l.). The measurements were corrected for air-flow distortion and converted

to  $u_{10N}$ , see (Landwehr et al., 2020). Downwelling solar radiation ( $S_{in}$ , Wm<sup>-2</sup>) was measured with two radiation sensors 5 mounted on the main mast of the ship. Air temperature ( $T_{air}$ , °C) and relative humidity (RH, %) were measured at 23.7 m a.s.l. The barometric pressure ( $P_{air}$ , hPa) was measured at 20 metres above sea level. Sky cover (SC) and cloud level (CL) were measured with a Vaisala Ceilometer (model CL31). The meteorological data was recorded on-board as part of a Vaisala MAWS240 meteorological station and filtered for influences by the ship, e.g., the heat island effect on the leeward measurements of RH and  $T_{air}$  and the shadowing of the radiation sensors by the ship's main mast, see (Landwehr et al., 2019).

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#### S1.2 Atmospheric dynamics based on numerical model data

The surface cyclone mask records the presence of a surface cyclone at the ship's position. The passage of surface cyclones along the ACE ship track was calculated applying a 2D cyclone identification algorithm which identifies the outermost closed sea level pressure contour of a pressure minimum (Wernli and Schwierz, 2006; Sprenger et al., 2017) using the six-hourly

- global operational analysis data of the European Centre for Medium Range Weather Forecasts (ECMWF) and short-term fore-15 casts in between the analysis time steps. The Lagrangian analysis tool LAGRANTO (Wernli and Davies, 1997; Sprenger and Wernli, 2015) was used to calculate five day air parcel backward trajectories using the ECMWF analysis data. The difference between sea surface and air temperature is used as a measure of cold and warm temperature advection. Warm temperature advection (mask<sub>CW</sub> = +1) is defined to occur if the temperature difference is larger than  $0^{\circ}$ C and cold temperature advection
- $(mask_{CW} = -1)$  if the difference is smaller than 0 °C. The cold and warm temperature advection mask is calculated using the 20 measured air temperature and sea surface temperature during ACE.

#### S1.3 Precipitation

Precipitation rates (rain and snow) are derived from Metek's micro-rain radar (MRR-2) measurements. The MRR-2 is a vertically pointing 24 GHz frequency-modulated-continuous-wave (FMCW) Doppler radar. For rainfall, the drop size distribution

and rainfall rate are derived using default Metek software following the method by Peters et al. (2005). In this study, the rain-25 fall rate at 100 to 200 metres above sea level (m a.s.l.). at 1-minute resolution is used calculated from 10-min running mean (Gehring et al., 2020).

Snowfall rate (mm w.e.  $h^{-1}$ ) estimated from MRR using a different approach than for rain. First, 1-minute vertical profiles of effective reflectivity (Z), Doppler velocity and spectral width are derived from raw MRR measurements using Maahn and

Kollias (2012) algorithm (Gehring et al., 2020). Snowfall rate (SR) was then estimated using Z at 400 m a.g.l. range by ap-30 plying different Z-S relationships (these relationships depend on snowfall microphysical properties) (see methodology details in Gorodetskaya et al., 2015). This includes Z-S relationships derived for two locations in Antarctica - at Dumont d'Urville (Grazioli et al., 2017) and at Princess Elisabeth station (Souverijns et al., 2017), as well as theoretical relationships for dry snow from Matrosov (2007) and Kulie and Bennartz (2009). As for sPCA analysis uncertainty cannot be taken into account,

- 35 we applied the Z-S relationship derived for Dumont D'Urville as it has the closest geographical position to leg 2. This Z-S relationship is comparable to the theoretical relationship for aggregates derived by (Kulie and Bennartz, 2009). Microphysical snow observations during ACE showed a variety of microphysical properties (changing even during the same snowfall), implying that the chosen relationship does not represent all snowfall microphysical properties observed during ACE. For the sPCA analysis, variability in snowfall rate based on one Z-S relationship is assumed to be outweighing the impact of snow
- 40 microphysical properties.

# S1.4 Horizontal hydrometeor flux

Horizontal hydrometeor flux (HHF, m<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>) was derived from Snow Particle Counter (SPC-95, manufactured by Niigata) measurements and wind speed measurements from the starboard anemometer (model: WS425). SPC detects particles from 36 micron providing particle size distribution between 36 and 490 micron and total particle count for particles >500 micron and until about 2 mm. Here the total particle flux with sizes between 0.036 and 2 mm was provided. The HHF calculation includes correction for horizontal wind speed relative to the ship movement. HHF includes 1) snowfall and blowing snow during snowfall, 2) drifting/blowing snow lifted from the ground (snow on sea ice, snow from the ice sheet when the ship was in vicinity), 3) rain drops, 4) possibly sea spray.

#### S1.5 Stable water isotope meteorology

50 The mixing ratio and isotopic composition of atmospheric water vapour were measured continuously during ACE using a Picarro cavity ring-down spectrometer (model: L2130-i). The measurements were corrected for the humidity-isotope dependency and for the instrument's drift using a two-point slope correction and normalisation to Vienna Standard Mean Ocean Water 2 - Standard Light Antarctic Precipitation 2 (VSMOW2-SLAP2) according to the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) recommendations (for details see Thurnherr et al., 2020a).

# 55 S1.6 Atmospheric trace gases

Isoprene mixing ratios in ambient air were monitored using the iDirac (Bolas et al., 2020), a custom built gas chromatograph with photoionisation detection (GC-PID). Routinely calibrated with gas standards traceable to a primary standard from the National Physical Laboratory (UK), the iDirac has a limit of detection of 40 ppt, precision of 10% and time resolution of 10 min. The Isopreneair dataset was reanalysed following the sPCA. The revised values are within  $\approx 30\%$  of the version used for the sPCA and are available on Zapado (10 5281/zapado 3003301).

60 for the sPCA and are available on Zenodo (10.5281/zenodo.3993391).

Ozone mixing ratio in air was measured with a 2BTechnologies ozone monitor (model 205). The instrument was compared against a calibrated ozone monitor after the campaign and measurements were corrected accordingly.

Carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide and methane mixing ratios in air were measured with a PICARRO G2401 Gas Analyzer. The instrument was calibrated after the campaign using reference gases and measurements were corrected accordingly.

- Sulfuric acid, iodic acid and MSA were measured with a nitrate chemical ionization mass spectrometer (an APi-HTOF mass spectrometer produced by Tofwerk AG coupled with a Chemical ionization inlet A70 produced by Airmodus were used). All species are detected in the mass spectrometer either as a deprotonated ion or as a cluster with the reagent ion  $(NO_3^-)$ . The concentration is calculated as the area of these two peaks normalized to the concentration of the reagent ions (monomer, dimer and trimer) and multiplied by a calibration factor that was experimentally derived at Paul Scherrer Institute in the summer
- 70 2017, after the campaign. The concentration is also corrected for diffusional losses in the inlet line, the diffusion coefficient of sulfuric acid was used for all the three species.

#### S1.7 Aerosols

Instrumentation for in situ sampling of aerosol particles was situated in a measurement container during ACE and sampled ambient air by a shared standard aerosol inlet (Global Atmosphere Watch; Weingartner et al., 1999). An overview of instru-

75 mentation during ACE concerning aerosol particles is given in Schmale et al. (2019), with further instrument description in Walton and Thomas (2018).

The aerosol particle number size distribution (PNSD) in the submicron range (mobility diameter 11 to 400 nm) was derived from measurements of two custom-built scanning mobility particle spectrometers (SMPSs) operated during ACE. Details on these SMPS instruments are given in Schmale et al. (2017). PNSDs in the coarse mode particle size range (aerodynamic

80 diameter 0.7 to 19µm) were obtained from measurements of an aerodynamic particle sizer (APS; model 3321 by TSI). A mode-fitting technique analogous to Modini et al. (2015) was used to combine PNSDs of SMPSs and APS instruments. The fitting procedure follows that described in Khlystov et al. (2004).

Cloud condensation nuclei (CCN) are aerosol particles capable of initiating droplet formation (Köhler, 1936) at certain levels of supersaturation (ss). CCN number concentrations at ss = 0.15% ( $N_{\rm CCN,0.15}$ ), 0.3% ( $N_{\rm CCN,0.3}$ ), and 1.0% ( $N_{\rm CCN,1.0}$ )

85 during ACE were obtained from measurements of a Cloud Condensation Nuclei counter (CCNc; type CCN-100 by Droplet Measurement Technique, Boulder, CA). Further documentation on the CCNc is given in Roberts and Nenes (2005).

The particle hygroscopicity parameter  $\kappa$  for each ss was derived using respective  $N_{\text{CCN}}(ss)$  and mode-fitted PNSD. Here, PNSDs were integrated along decreasing particle diameter, until the value of  $N_{\text{CCN}}$  is reached, which corresponds to a critical particle diameter ( $D_{\text{crit}}(ss)$ ).  $\kappa$  as a function of  $D_{\text{crit}}$  is given in Petters and Kreidenweis (2007).

- 90 Off-line filter sampling was performed during ACE with samplers situated on the upper bridge of the vessel and operated on PM10-inlets. High-volume (HiVol,  $\sim 500 \,\mathrm{L\,min^{-1}}$ ) sampling was performed with a DIGITEL filter sampler (type DHA-80, Riemer Messtechnik, Germany) for 24 hours per quartz-fibre filter (14 cm diameter). In parallel to the HiVol sampling, an ultrasonic anemometer was run next to the filter sampler and provided data on wind direction, shutting down the sampling when wind came from the direction of the vessel's exhaust stack. Low-volume sampling (LoVol,  $\sim 25 \,\mathrm{L\,min^{-1}}$ ) was performed using
- 95 a DIGITEL filter sampler (DHA-14, Riemer Messtechnik, Germany) and sampling for eight hours (or two hours during periods

of interest) on poly-carbonate membrane filters (type Nuclepore, Whatman, USA). Sampled filters were analysed regarding freezing behaviour (LoVol and HiVol) and ionic composition (HiVol only) of sampled material.

Ice-nucleating particles (INPs) are a subclass of aerosol particles, capable of initiating droplet freezing at temperatures above  $-39^{\circ}$ C (Pruppacher and Klett, 1997). The number concentration of INPs was derived for both HiVol and LoVol filters using a droplet freezing array at TROPOS, a set-up similar to that presented in Conen et al. (2012).

Mass concentrations for inorganic ions (ammonium, bromide, calcium, chloride, magnesium, nitrate, potassium, sodium, and sulfate), and organic constituents (methanesulfonic acid and oxalate) were measured by using ion chromatography on the HiVol filter contents. The ion chromatographic analysis was performed similar to Müller et al. (2010) and Van Pinxteren et al. (2017), using an ion chromatograph (type ICS3000 by Dionex, Sunnyvale, CA, USA).

105 The time-of-flight aerosol chemical speciation monitor (ToF-ACSM) is a time-of-flight mass spectrometry. It provides online continuous measurements of the chemical composition and mass of non-refractory submicron particles (NR-PM1), including nitrate, sulfate, ammonium, chloride, and organic compounds (Fröhlich et al., 2013). It is based on Aerodyne aerosol mass spectrometer (AMS) technology without a particle sizing feature, but it is stable, reliable, user-friendly, which makes it suitable for long-term monitoring purposes.

#### 110 S1.8 Physical and dynamical oceanography

During ACE, surface and subsurface seawater properties were measured using a variety of sensors either connected to the continuous underway seawater supply (Haumann et al., 2020b) or mounted on the Conductivity-Temperature-Depth (CTD) rosette deployed during the cruise (Henry et al., 2020). Variables derived from these sensors that are used in this study include surface ocean temperature ( $T_{sw}$ , °C), salinity ( $S_{sw}$ , PSU), and potential density anomaly ( $\sigma_{0,sw}$ ,  $kg m^{-3}$ ). These variables are

- 115 largely derived from the thermosalinograph connected to the underway line (Haumann et al., 2020b), which has been corrected using the surface ocean CTD data (Henry et al., 2020), surface ocean temperature data from Expendable Bathythermograph (XBT) probes (Haumann et al., 2020c), and discrete salinity samples collected from the underway line (Haumann et al., 2020a). The thermosalinograph data has undergone substantial post-processing and quality control described in detail by Haumann et al. (2020b). Temperature from the thermosalinograph has been merged with satellite-derived sea-surface temperature (Reynolds)
- 120 et al., 2007) that has been interpolated to the cruise track (Thomas and Pina Estany, 2019) and is being used whenever no thermosalinograph data was available. Salinity from the thermosalinograph has been merged with in-situ samples collected from the underway line and analysed in a salinometer (Haumann et al., 2020a) whenever no thermosalinograph data was available.

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The surface ocean seawater oxygen isotopic composition ( $\delta^{18}O_{sw}$ ) was measured in discrete samples collected from the underway line using mass spectrometry (Haumann et al., 2019). Surface ocean mixed-layer depth (MLD) is estimated from both the CTD (Henry et al., 2020) and XBT (Haumann et al., 2020c) vertical temperature profiles using the temperature threshold criterion (de Boyer Montégut et al., 2004) and distributed by (Henry et al., 2020) and (Haumann et al., 2020c). In addition to the sensor and sample data collected during ACE, we interpolated satellite data (Haumann et al., 2020b) of seasurface height (SSH; http://marine.copernicus.eu), surface ocean geostrophic velocity ( $U_a$ ; http://marine.copernicus.eu), and 130 sea-ice concentration ( $C_i$ ; Meier et al., 2013; Peng et al., 2013) to the cruise track (Thomas and Pina Estany, 2019) to fill gaps and better understand the physical and dynamical environmental conditions during the cruise.

Sea-state conditions were reconstructed using the ship motion (Nelli et al., 2020), which was recorded continuously by an inertial measurement unit (IMU) at a sampling rate of 1 Hz Alberello et al. (2020). In the frequency domain, the ship motion  $S_{ship}(f)$  is linked to the incident wave field  $S_{wave}(f)$  via the response amplitude operator R(f) Newman (2018), i.e.

- 135 S<sub>wave</sub>(f) = S<sub>ship</sub>(f)/R(f)<sup>2</sup>. The motion spectra were retrieved by applying a Fourier Transformation to 5 min time series of the recorded vessel's motion and the response amplitude operator for the RV Akademik Tryoshnikov was calculated solving the equation of motion with the boundary element method solver, Nemoh Babarit and Delhommeau (2015). Based on the reconstructed sea state, integral wave parameters, significant wave height (H<sub>s</sub> = 4√m<sub>0</sub>) and spectral mean wave period also known as wave energy period (T<sub>m-10</sub> = m<sub>-1</sub>/m<sub>0</sub> with m<sub>n</sub> = ∫<sub>0</sub><sup>∞</sup> f<sup>n</sup>S(f)df), are obtained. The calculated significant wave height is compared against available satellite altimeter data Ribal and Young (2019). Due to the coarse resolution of satellite
- data, average values are computed for clusters with spatial resolution of  $0.5^{\circ} \times 0.5^{\circ}$  and temporal resolution of 3 h. There is a good agreement overall with root-mean squared error  $(RMSE) \approx 0.4$  m, correlation coefficient  $(R) \approx 0.94$ , and scatter index  $(SI) \approx 0.17$ . Further details on sea state conditions during ACE are reported in Derkani et al. (2020).
- In addition to the above variables that enter the analysis, we derived oceanic regions and frontal positions during the cruise to aid the interpretation of the results. These positions are shown as crosses e.g. in Figures 6 and 7 on the cruise track and comprise from north to south the Subtropical Front (STF), the Subantarctic Front (SAF), the Polar Front (PF), and the Southern Antarctic Circumpolar Current Front (SACCF). They are largely derived from the above described thermosalinograph and satellite data by investigating strong lateral gradients in T<sub>sw</sub>, S<sub>sw</sub>, or SSH (Haumann et al., 2020b) in close proximity of their climatological mean positions (black contours in Figures 6 and 7; Orsi et al., 1995). It should be noted that the choice of the frontal positions
- 150 is somewhat subjective and might differ from their climatological mean position due to the availability of data and temporal variability.

#### S1.9 Microbial, biogeochemical and optical properties

Seawater was sampled from the underway seawater supply (Walton and Thomas, 2018) and preserved or analysed on-board for information on ocean microbial characteristics (chlorophyll *a* concentration, phytoplankton chemotaxonomic pigment abun-

- 155 dance, photosynthetic efficiency), ocean particle characteristics (particulate organic carbon and nitrogen, pigment degradation products, slope of the particle size distribution), dissolved nutrients (nitrate, nitrite, ammonium, phosphate and silicate concentrations) and optical properties (particulate absorption properties, coloured dissolved organic matter absorption). Additionally, irradiance over photosynthetically active wavelengths 400 to 700 nm was measured above the water and estimated in-water within the upper mixed layer. A complete description of all variables and associated dataset and methodology DOIs is avail-
- able in Tables A7 and A8. Any additional methods not cited in Tables A7 and A8 are described here. The ACE Cruise Report (Walton and Thomas, 2018) provides further information on Project 1 objectives and sampling.

The relative abundance of phytoplankton taxonomic groups were derived from pigment concentrations (Antoine et al., 2019a) using the CHEMTAX v1.95 chemical taxonomy software (Mackey et al., 1996). Ten taxonomic groups were quantified:

- Chlorophytes type 1 (Chloro), cryptophytes type 2 (Crypto), diatoms type 1 (DiatA), diatoms type 2 (DiatB), dinoflagellates
  type 1 (Dino), haptophytes type 8 (Hapto8), haptophytes types 6 + 7 (Hapto67), prasinophytes (Prasino), and pelagophytes (Pelago; Higgins et al., 2011). Prior to CHEMTAX analysis samples were standardised (mean subtracted and divided by standard deviation) and a dissimilarity matrix based on Manhattan's distances computed before being clustered using hierarchical clustering (Ward's method) in R version 3.5.0. Elbow, silhouette and gap tests confirmed 5 clusters as the best number of clusters for the dataset. CHEMTAX was then run on each cluster separately 60 times to derive optimised pigment ratio matri-
- 170 ces for each cluster before a final 20 runs determined taxonomic abundances  $(mgm^{-3})$  for each cluster. The initial pigment ratios were compiled from Rodriguez et al. (2002), Zapata et al. (2000), Cook et al. (2011), Higgins et al. (2011), Cassar et al. (2015), and Nunes et al. (2019). To increase the resolution of discrete estimates of phytoplankton total chlorophyll *a* concentration  $(mgm^{-3})$ , the dataset of total chlorophyll *a* concentration derived via high performance liquid chromatography (Antoine et al., 2019b), total chlorophyll *a* was also determined using the absorption line height method of Roesler and Barnard (2013)
- 175 where particulate absorption data was available (Antoine et al., 2021). The slope of the particle size distribution (PSD<sub>s</sub>lope; 2 to  $60 \,\mu\text{m}$ ) was calculated from a linear regression of  $\log_{10}$  transformed particle concentration vs bin diameter. Measurements of particle size distribution were made on a Beckmann Multisizer 3 Coulter counter with a 100  $\mu\text{m}$  aperture tube detecting particles in the range of 2 to  $60 \,\mu\text{m}$  across 400 bins. Counts were converted to particles per m<sup>3</sup> and samples with high noise or particles constrained to just a few bins were removed. The ratio of non-algal absorption to total particulate absorption at
- 180 440 nm  $(a_{nap}/a_p)$  was calculated using the particulate absorption at (Antoine et al., 2021). Absorption by non-algal properties was determined algebraically using an iterative best-fit approach of Bricaud and Stramski (1990) to determine the absorption slope of non-algal particles. The slope of non-algal absorption from 380 to 700 nm  $(a_{napslope})$  was modelled as an exponential decay from reference wavelength 380 nm as per Clementson et al. (2004). Absorption due to coloured dissolved organic matter at 350 nm  $(a_{CDOM})$  was derived by subtracting particulate absorption at 350 nm (Antoine et al., 2021) from the total organic
- 185 matter absorption at 350 nm. Photosynthetic efficiency of photosystem II ( $F_V F_M$  and  $\Phi'_{PSII}$ ) and the absorption cross section of photosystem II ( $\sigma_{PSII}$ , Å<sup>2</sup> RCII<sup>-1</sup>) and ( $\sigma'_{PSII}$ , Å<sup>2</sup> RCII<sup>-1</sup>) were measured using Fast Repetition Rate fluorometry (FRRf) and parameters derived using the python *phyto\_photo\_utils* toolbox as per Ryan-Keogh and Robinson (2021). Datapoints were classified as nighttime (dark;  $F_V F_M$  and  $\sigma_{PSII}$ ) and daytime ( $\Phi'_{PSII}$  and  $\sigma'_{PSII}$ ) measurements using the sun angle as a proxy for nightime and daytime where sun angle >5° is considered nighttime (or dark measurement conditions). The median light
- 190 intensity ( $I_g$ , µmolphotons  $m^{-2}s^{-1}$ ) over photosynthetically active wavelengths (PAR, µmolphotons  $m^{-2}s^{-1}$ ) within the mixed layer was estimated at 3 hourly time intervals along the ACE ship track. First, to derive an estimate of the light attenuation coefficient (K<sub>d</sub>PAR, m<sup>-1</sup>), estimates of total chlorophyll *a* and pheopigments were linearly interpolated to 3 hourly intervals and then K<sub>d</sub>PAR calculated as per Morel (1988) using the sum of total chlorophyll *a* and pheopigments. The mixed layer depth (m) was linearly interpolated at 3 hourly intervals from the combined CTD and XBT datasets of Haumann et al.
- 195 (2020c). At each 3 hour time point, the average sky irradiance over PAR wavelengths (avPAR(0),  $\mu$ mol photons  $m^{-2}s^{-1}$ ) over the preceding 24 hours (and in some cases up to 72 hours where data was lacking) was calculated using the 1 minute resolution PAR(0) dataset (Thomalla et al., 2020). At each 3 hour time point, the average PAR over 24 hours at 1 metre intervals (z)

down to the mixed layer depth was calculated as  $avPAR(z) = avPAR(0)e^{-KdPAR \cdot z}$  (equation 6.2; Kirk, 1994). Finally  $I_{\sigma}$ was calculated at each 3 hour time point as the median avPAR(z) from the surface to the mixed layer depth.

#### 200 S1.10 Microbial abundances and surface ocean concentrations of polymeric organic matter, algal osmolytes and dissolved volatiles

Bacteria, cyanobacteria, and phototrophic picoeukaryotes and nanoeukaryotes were counted by flow cytometry. Seawater samples were aliquoted in cryovials, fixed (killed) by addition of 1% paraformaldehyde plus 0.05% glutaraldehyde (final concentrations), and stored at -80 °C. In the lab on land, samples were thawed and analysed with a PARTEC Cube 8 flow cytometer equipped with a laser emitting at 488 nm. Heterotrophic bacteria were counted by their signature in a plot of side scatter ver-

sus green fluorescence after being stained with  $10 \,\mu$ M of SYBRGreen I. In separate runs of unstained samples, cyanobacteria (Prochlorococcus and Synechococcus), picoeukaryotes and nanoeukaryotes were identified and enumerated on the basis of the differences in autofluorescence and light scattering characteristics. In both cases, vellow-green 0.92 µm latex beads were added as an internal standard. The *in vivo* fluorescence of phytoplankton chlorophyll a was measured continuously with an WetLabs ECO sensor positioned in the shipboard surface seawater pumping line. 210

Concentrations of transparent exopolymeric particles (TEP) were determined by spectrophotometry following Passow and Alldredge (1995), Duplicate samples (150 to 300 mL) were filtered through 25 mm diameter 0.4 um pore size Polycarbonate filters (DHI) and the filters were immediately stained with 500 µL of Alcian blue solution (0.02%, pH 2.5) for 5 s, rinsed with Milli-Q water and stored frozen. Duplicate blanks (empty stained filters) were prepared at every station. In the lab on land, all

sample and blank filters were soaked in 5 mL of 80% sulfuric acid and shaken intermittently for 3 h. The samples were then 215 measured spectrophotometrically at 787 nm (Varian Cary spectrophotometer). An Alcian blue dye solution calibration was prepared using a standard solution of Xanthan Gum (XG).

Concentrations of Coomassie stainable particles (CSP) were determined by spectrophotometry following (Cisternas-Novoa et al., 2014). Duplicate samples (150 to 300 mL) were filtered through 25 mm diameter 0.4  $\mu$ m pore size Polycarbonate filters

- (Whatman) using a constant low filtration pressure ( $\approx 150 \text{ mmHg}$ ). The samples were immediately stained with 700 µL of 220 a working Coomassie Brilliant Blue (CBB-G 250) solution (0.04%, pH 7.4) for 30 s, rinsed with Milli-Q water and stored frozen. Duplicate blanks (empty filters stained as stated earlier) were prepared at every station. In the lab on land, both the sample and blank filters were soaked in 4 mL of extraction solution (3% SDS in 50% isopropyl alcohol; Ball, 1986) and sonicated in a water bath for 2 h at 37 °C. The samples were then measured spectrophotometrically at 615 nm (Shimadzu UV-
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Vis spectrophotometer UV120). The CBB dye solution calibrations were prepared with bovine albumina using three filtered seawater samples of different salinities collected during the cruise.

To determine concentrations of total (dissolved and particulate) dimethylsulfoniopropionate (DMSP) and acrylate, aliquots (15 ml) of seawater samples were heated to initial boiling in a microwave, 150  $\mu$ l of 36% HCl was added and they were stored at room temperature. Back to land, the samples were analysed for DMSP by alkaline hydrolysis to DMS overnight and analysis

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of the latter using a cryogenic purge-and-trap system and gas chromatography. Acrylate concentrations were determined using pre-column derivatization with TSA, separation by HPLC and UV detection.

Aqueous concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) carbonyl sulfide (OCS), carbon disulfide ( $CS_2$ ), dimethyl sulfide (DMS), isoprene ( $C_5H_8$ ) and bromomethanes (CHBr<sub>3</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Br<sub>2</sub>) were measured on board with a purge and trap (Stratum, Tekmar Teledink) gas chromatography-mass spectrometry (5975-T LTM-GC/MSL, Agilent Technologies) system. Sea-

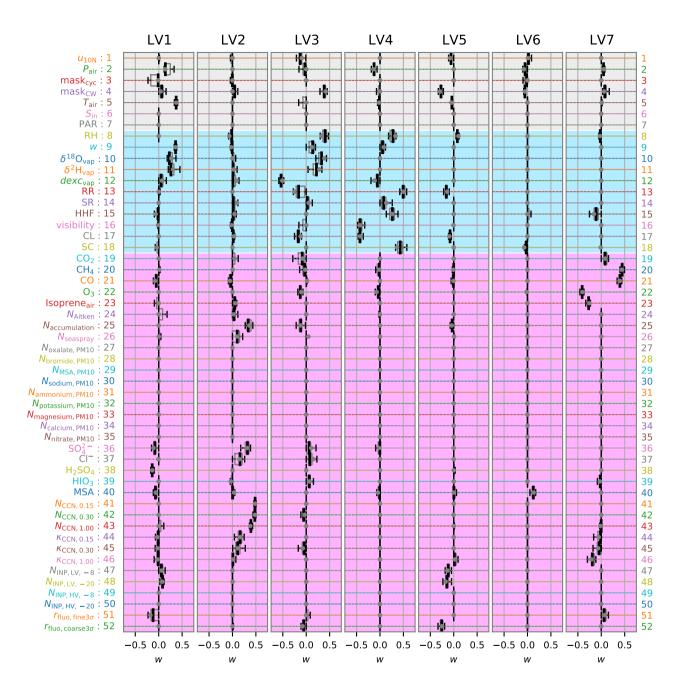
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water samples were taken from the Niskin bottles or the underway tap with glass bottles with glass caps, leaving no head space. Subsamples of 25 ml were withdrawn with a glass syringe and filtered through GF/F filters while introduced to the system, where they were sparged for 12 min with ultrapure He (40 mL/min). VOCs were trapped on a VOCARB 3000 absorption column, desorbed by heating to 250 °C, and separated in a LTM DB-VRX capillary column held 4 min at 35 °C and subsequently heated to 230 °C at 30 °Cmin<sup>-1</sup>. The MS data acquisition was performed by selected ion monitoring of the most characteristic 240 fragments of each compound. Duplicates were run. Calibrations were run with standard solutions in methanol, except for OCS, which was calibrated against a gaseous mixture in nitrogen.

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# S2 Graphical display of the weights

Figures S1 to S4 provide the weight distributions of the LV master and bootstrap runs. For each LV the OV weights are displayed for the master run and the distributions of the bootstrap runs are displayed as boxplots.



**Figure S1.** (part 1 of 4) Weight distributions of the LV master and bootstrap runs. OV indices are represented on the y-axis, while the x-axis represents the magnitude of the weights for each LV. The weights of the master run are denoted as gray bullet and the distribution of the weights of the bootstrap runs are shown as box and whisker plots for each OV. Thin and thick black lines indicate zero and non-zero median values, respectively, the boxes represent the interquartile range, and the whiskers represent the 1st and the 9th decile. The background colours signal the OV categories (see Table 1).

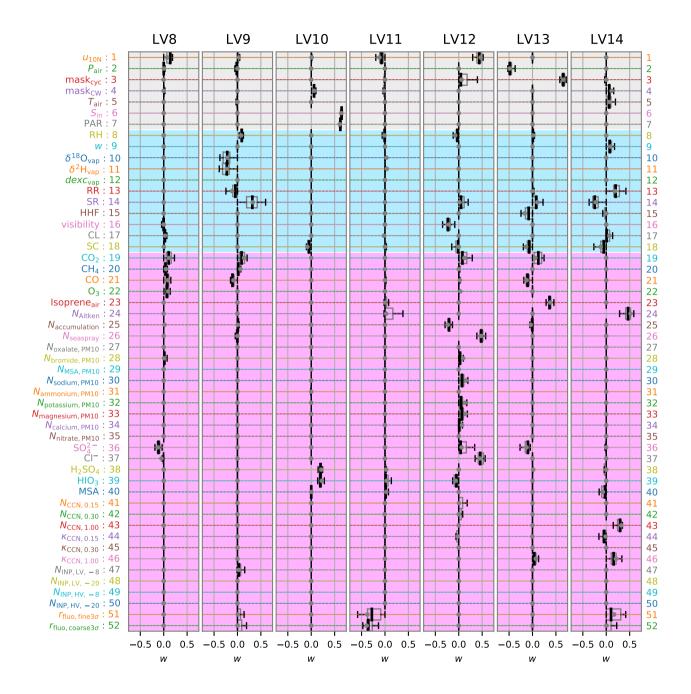


Figure S2. (part 2 of 4)

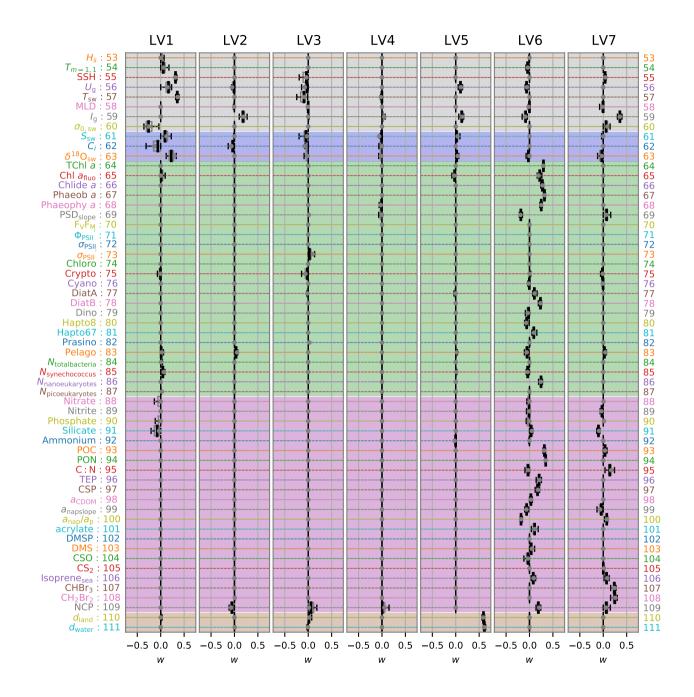


Figure S3. (part 3 of 4)

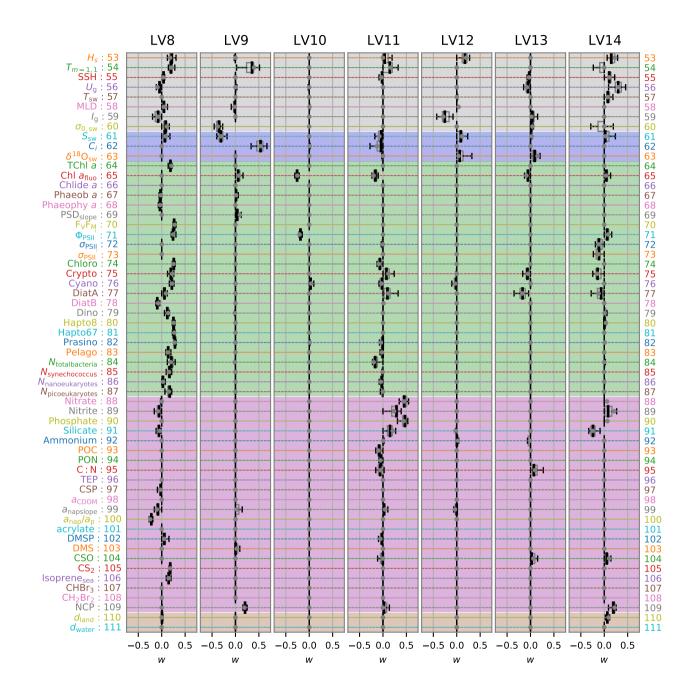


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### 245 S3 Tables with OV weights and uncertainties for each LV

Here we provide detailed information on the OV weight vectors for each LV. The tables S1 to S15 provide the median weight w, the estimate of the bootstrap standard deviation  $\sigma$ , which is calculated as 1.4826 times the median standard deviation over the 30 bootstrap runs and the ratio  $\sigma \overline{w}^{-1}$ . The OVs are provided in the order of their significance given by  $\sigma \overline{w}^{-1}$  and their rank according to the median weight is given in the third column.

OV-ID	Symbol	Rank	$\overline{w}$	σ	$\sigma \overline{w}^{-1}$
OV5	$T_{\mathrm{air}}$	1	0.372	0.014	27.3
OV9	w	2	0.360	0.011	32.0
OV57	$T_{\rm sw}$	3	0.355	0.024	14.9
OV55	SSH	4	0.316	0.017	18.9
OV11	$\delta^2 H_{vap}$	5	0.262	0.053	4.9
OV60	$\sigma_{0,\mathrm{sw}}$	6	-0.260	0.080	3.2
OV10	$\delta^{18} O_{vap}$	7	0.229	0.060	3.8
OV63	$\delta^{18} O_{sw}$	8	0.226	0.074	3.1
OV56	$U_{ m g}$	9	0.166	0.063	2.6
OV2	$P_{\mathrm{air}}$	10	0.143	0.023	6.3
OV38	$\mathrm{H}_2\mathrm{SO}_4$	11	-0.139	0.019	7.5
OV51	$r_{ m fluo, fine 3\sigma}$	12	-0.119	0.093	1.3
OV61	$S_{\rm sw}$	13	0.094	0.062	1.5
OV36	$\mathrm{SO}_4^{2-}$	14	-0.084	0.038	2.2
OV48	$N_{\rm INP,LV,-20}$	15	0.082	0.024	3.4
OV40	MSA	17	-0.069	0.026	2.6
OV4	$\mathrm{mask}_{\mathrm{CW}}$	18	0.064	0.047	1.4
OV47	$N_{\rm INP,LV,-8}$	20	0.057	0.045	1.3
OV21	CO	22	-0.052	0.051	1.0
OV85	$N_{ m synechococcus}$	24	0.046	0.018	2.5

**Table S1.** List of OVs contributing to LV1 - Climatic zones and large-scale horizontal gradients, whith  $\sigma \overline{w}^{-1} > 1$ . The OVs are sorted according to  $\sigma \overline{w}^{-1} > 1$  (sixed column). The order rank according to |w| is provided in the third column.

OV-ID	Symbol	Rank	$\overline{w}$	$\sigma$	$\sigma  \overline{w}^{-1}$
OV41	$N_{\rm CCN,0.15}$	1	0.484	0.014	35.5
OV42	$N_{\rm CCN,0.30}$	2	0.478	0.020	24.2
OV43	$N_{\rm CCN,1.00}$	3	0.394	0.016	24.7
OV25	$N_{ m accumulation}$	4	0.339	0.053	6.4
OV36	$\mathrm{SO}_4^{2-}$	5	0.320	0.056	5.7
OV59	$I_{ m g}$	6	0.184	0.046	4.0
OV44	$\kappa_{\rm CCN, 0.15}$	7	0.164	0.054	3.0
OV37	$Cl^{-}$	8	0.160	0.084	1.9
OV45	$\kappa_{\rm CCN, 0.30}$	9	0.112	0.071	1.6
OV26	$N_{\rm seaspray}$	10	0.102	0.084	1.2
OV109	NCP	11	-0.053	0.039	1.4
OV23	$\operatorname{Isoprene}_{\operatorname{air}}$	12	0.049	0.031	1.6
OV4	$\mathrm{mask}_{\mathrm{CW}}$	13	0.046	0.034	1.4
OV21	CO	14	-0.038	0.025	1.5
OV83	Pelago	16	0.035	0.033	1.1

**Table S2.** List of OVs contributing to LV2 - Drivers of cloud condensation nuclei population, whith  $\sigma \overline{w}^{-1} > 1$ . The OVs are sorted according to  $\sigma \overline{w}^{-1} > 1$  (sixed column). The order rank according to |w| is provided in the third column.

OV-ID	Symbol	Rank	$\overline{w}$	$\sigma$	$\sigma  \overline{w}^{-1}$
OV12	$dexc_{vap}$	1	-0.537	0.031	17.5
OV8	RH	2	0.404	0.066	6.2
OV4	$\mathrm{mask}_{\mathrm{CW}}$	3	0.385	0.038	10.2
OV10	$\delta^{18} O_{vap}$	4	0.328	0.037	8.8
OV11	$\delta^2 H_{vap}$	5	0.219	0.036	6.0
OV17	CL	6	-0.168	0.042	4.0
OV13	RR	7	-0.162	0.116	1.4
OV9	w	8	0.137	0.066	2.1
OV1	$u_{10\mathrm{N}}$	9	-0.128	0.038	3.4
OV22	$O_3$	10	-0.127	0.025	5.1
OV25	$N_{ m accumulation}$	11	-0.117	0.044	2.7
OV57	$T_{\rm sw}$	12	-0.092	0.055	1.7
OV19	$\mathrm{CO}_2$	13	-0.086	0.067	1.3
OV37	$\mathrm{Cl}^-$	14	0.077	0.047	1.6
OV39	$HIO_3$	15	0.066	0.034	1.9
OV52	$r_{\mathrm{fluo,coarse3}\sigma}$	18	-0.055	0.039	1.4
OV42	$N_{\rm CCN,0.30}$	19	-0.054	0.047	1.2

**Table S3.** List of OVs contributing to LV3 - Meridional cold and warm air advection, whith  $\sigma \overline{w}^{-1} > 1$ . The OVs are sorted according to  $\sigma \overline{w}^{-1} > 1$  (sixed column). The order rank according to |w| is provided in the third column.

**Table S4.** List of OVs contributing to LV4 - Precipitation vs. dry conditions, whith  $\sigma \overline{w}^{-1} > 1$ . The OVs are sorted according to  $\sigma \overline{w}^{-1} > 1$  (sixed column). The order rank according to |w| is provided in the third column.

OV-ID	Symbol	Rank	$\overline{w}$	σ	$\sigma \overline{w}^{-1}$
OV13	RR	1	0.495	0.049	10.1
OV18	$\mathbf{SC}$	2	0.432	0.079	5.4
OV17	CL	3	-0.427	0.029	14.9
OV16	visibility	4	-0.423	0.048	8.9
OV8	$\mathbf{R}\mathbf{H}$	5	0.276	0.072	3.8
OV15	HHF	6	0.265	0.076	3.5
OV2	$P_{\mathrm{air}}$	7	-0.125	0.027	4.7
OV14	$\mathbf{SR}$	8	0.080	0.072	1.1
OV9	w	10	0.055	0.054	1.0

OV-ID	Symbol	Rank	$\overline{w}$	$\sigma$	$\sigma  \overline{w}^{-1}$
OV111	$d_{\mathrm{water}}$	1	0.612	0.013	45.7
OV110	$d_{ m land}$	2	0.592	0.014	41.0
OV4	$\mathrm{mask}_{\mathrm{CW}}$	3	-0.271	0.028	9.7
OV52	$r_{\rm fluo, coarse3\sigma}$	4	-0.257	0.043	5.9
OV13	RR	5	-0.158	0.033	4.9
OV48	$N_{\rm INP,LV,-20}$	6	-0.147	0.034	4.3
OV59	$I_{ m g}$	7	0.126	0.030	4.2
OV47	$N_{\rm INP,LV,-8}$	8	-0.118	0.033	3.6
OV56	$U_{ m g}$	9	0.102	0.023	4.4
OV17	CL	10	-0.079	0.017	4.7
OV8	RH	11	0.077	0.012	6.5
OV1	$u_{10\mathrm{N}}$	12	-0.057	0.024	2.4
OV5	$T_{\mathrm{air}}$	13	-0.040	0.008	5.3
OV25	$N_{\rm accumulation}$	14	-0.034	0.017	1.9

**Table S5.** List of OVs contributing to LV5 - Distance to land, whith  $\sigma \overline{w}^{-1} > 1$ . The OVs are sorted according to  $\sigma \overline{w}^{-1} > 1$  (sixed column). The order rank according to |w| is provided in the third column.

OV-ID	Symbol	Rank	$\overline{w}$	σ	$\sigma \overline{w}^{-1}$
OV94	PON	1	0.347	0.010	36.2
OV67	Phaeob $a$	2	0.320	0.008	40.5
OV93	POC	3	0.318	0.011	27.8
OV64	TChl $a$	4	0.298	0.008	35.1
OV66	Chlide $a$	5	0.275	0.013	20.5
OV68	Phaeophy $a$	6	0.251	0.013	18.7
OV86	$N_{ m nanoeukaryotes}$	7	0.247	0.022	11.3
OV78	DiatB	8	0.235	0.019	12.2
OV65	Chl $a_{\rm fluo}$	9	0.217	0.032	6.9
OV96	TEP	10	0.207	0.024	8.6
OV109	NCP	11	0.190	0.030	6.2
OV69	$\mathrm{PSD}_{\mathrm{slope}}$	12	-0.185	0.020	9.2
OV100	$a_{ m nap}/a_{ m p}$	13	-0.181	0.014	12.7
OV97	CSP	14	0.171	0.025	6.7
OV40	MSA	15	0.126	0.028	4.4
OV101	acrylate	16	0.110	0.034	3.2
OV77	DiatA	17	0.103	0.020	5.1
OV81	Hapto67	18	0.091	0.028	3.2
OV59	$I_{ m g}$	19	-0.082	0.020	4.2
OV106	$\operatorname{Isoprene}_{\operatorname{sea}}$	20	0.080	0.034	2.4
OV56	$U_{ m g}$	21	-0.062	0.025	2.5
OV99	$a_{ m napslope}$	22	-0.062	0.017	3.7
OV80	Hapto8	23	-0.061	0.025	2.4
OV4	$\mathrm{mask}_{\mathrm{CW}}$	24	-0.056	0.011	5.3
OV2	$P_{\mathrm{air}}$	25	-0.052	0.032	1.6
OV83	Pelago	26	-0.051	0.040	1.3
OV54	$T_{m-1,1}$	27	-0.041	0.033	1.2
OV85	$N_{\rm synechococcus}$	28	-0.040	0.024	1.7
OV103	DMS	29	0.038	0.029	1.3
OV91	Silicate	30	0.036	0.032	1.1
OV98	$a_{\rm CDOM}$	32	0.031	0.023	1.4

**Table S6.** List of OVs contributing to LV6 - Iron-fertilized biological productivity, whith  $\sigma \overline{w}^{-1} > 1$ . The OVs are sorted according to  $\sigma \overline{w}^{-1} > 1$  (sixed column). The order rank according to |w| is provided in the third column.

OV-ID	Symbol	Rank	$\overline{w}$	$\sigma$	$\sigma \overline{w}^{-1}$
OV20	$CH_4$	1	0.448	0.027	16.4
OV22	$O_3$	2	-0.407	0.018	22.5
OV21	CO	3	0.398	0.023	17.5
OV59	$I_{\rm g}$	4	0.356	0.022	16.1
OV23	$\mathrm{Isoprene}_{\mathrm{air}}$	5	-0.270	0.025	10.6
OV108	$\mathrm{CH}_{2}\mathrm{Br}_{2}$	6	0.246	0.038	6.4
OV107	$\mathrm{CHBr}_3$	7	0.238	0.031	7.7
OV46	$\kappa_{\rm CCN, 1.00}$	8	-0.191	0.043	4.4
OV95	C:N	9	0.139	0.044	3.2
OV15	HHF	10	-0.110	0.069	1.6
OV91	Silicate	11	-0.103	0.021	5.0
OV19	$\rm CO_2$	12	0.084	0.051	1.6
OV4	$\mathrm{mask}_{\mathrm{CW}}$	13	0.080	0.040	2.0
OV100	$a_{ m nap}/a_{ m p}$	14	0.075	0.017	4.4
OV69	$\mathrm{PSD}_{\mathrm{slope}}$	15	0.071	0.044	1.6
OV106	$\operatorname{Isoprene}_{\operatorname{sea}}$	16	0.071	0.028	2.6
OV109	NCP	17	0.067	0.041	1.7
OV60	$\sigma_{0,\mathrm{sw}}$	19	0.060	0.034	1.8
OV2	$P_{\mathrm{air}}$	20	0.049	0.015	3.4
OV55	SSH	23	0.041	0.013	3.0
OV93	POC	24	0.038	0.021	1.8

**Table S7.** List of OVs contributing to LV7 - Seasonal signal, whith  $\sigma \overline{w}^{-1} > 1$ . The OVs are sorted according to  $\sigma \overline{w}^{-1} > 1$  (sixed column). The order rank according to |w| is provided in the third column.

OV-ID	Symbol	Rank	$\overline{w}$	$\sigma$	$\sigma  \overline{w}^{-1}$
OV82	Prasino	1	0.283	0.010	28.6
OV70	$F_{\rm V}F_{\rm M}$	2	0.265	0.019	14.1
OV74	Chloro	3	0.259	0.023	11.3
OV81	Hapto67	4	0.259	0.012	21.9
OV80	Hapto8	5	0.251	0.015	17.0
OV71	$\Phi_{\mathrm{PSII}}{}'$	6	0.242	0.027	8.8
OV100	$a_{ m nap}/a_{ m p}$	7	-0.222	0.019	11.8
OV76	Cyano	8	0.218	0.027	8.0
OV53	$H_s$	9	0.212	0.045	4.7
OV84	$N_{ m totalbacteria}$	10	0.206	0.032	6.5
OV54	$T_{m-1,1}$	11	0.198	0.042	4.7
OV75	Crypto	12	0.197	0.031	6.3
OV64	TChl $a$	13	0.187	0.022	8.6
OV105	$CS_2$	14	0.182	0.008	23.1
OV87	$N_{ m picoeukaryotes}$	15	0.170	0.042	4.0
OV85	$N_{ m synechococcus}$	16	0.166	0.029	5.8
OV106	$\operatorname{Isoprene}_{\operatorname{sea}}$	17	0.149	0.022	6.9
OV83	Pelago	18	0.139	0.027	5.1
OV1	$u_{10\mathrm{N}}$	19	0.139	0.048	2.9
OV79	Dino	20	0.119	0.026	4.6
OV36	$\mathrm{SO}_4^{2-}$	21	-0.112	0.039	2.8
OV19	$\mathrm{CO}_2$	22	0.106	0.086	1.2
OV78	DiatB	23	-0.095	0.021	4.5
OV60	$\sigma_{0,\mathrm{sw}}$	24	0.085	0.053	1.6
OV99	$a_{ m napslope}$	25	-0.081	0.038	2.1
OV59	Ig	26	-0.078	0.064	1.2
OV21	CO	27	0.076	0.042	1.8
OV22	O <sub>3</sub>	28	0.069	0.043	1.6
OV61	$S_{ m sw}$	29	0.066	0.044	1.5
OV77	DiatA	30	0.059	0.036	1.7

**Table S8.** List of OVs contributing to LV8 - Iron-limited biological productivity, whith  $\sigma \overline{w}^{-1} > 1$ . The OVs are sorted according to  $\sigma \overline{w}^{-1} > 1$  (sixed column). The order rank according to |w| is provided in the third column.

 Table S9. Extension of Table S8

OV-ID	Symbol	Rank	$\overline{w}$	σ	$\sigma \overline{w}^{-1}$
OV82	Prasino	31	-0.058	0.027	2.2
OV70	$\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{V}}\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{M}}$	32	0.057	0.042	1.4
OV74	Chloro	33	-0.056	0.044	1.3
OV81	Hapto67	34	0.047	0.032	1.5
OV80	Hapto8	35	-0.046	0.030	1.5
OV71	$\Phi_{\mathrm{PSII}}{}'$	36	0.040	0.016	2.5
OV100	$a_{ m nap}/a_{ m p}$	37	0.038	0.025	1.5
OV76	Cyano	38	-0.038	0.025	1.5
OV53	$H_s$	39	0.026	0.024	1.1
OV84	$N_{ m totalbacteria}$	40	-0.024	0.022	1.1

**Table S10.** List of OVs contributing to LV9 - Marginal sea ice zone and snowfall, whith  $\sigma \overline{w}^{-1} > 1$ . The OVs are sorted according to  $\sigma \overline{w}^{-1} > 1$  (sixed column). The order rank according to |w| is provided in the third column.

OV-ID	Symbol	Rank	$\overline{w}$	σ	$\sigma \overline{w}^{-1}$
OV62	$C_i$	1	0.535	0.101	5.3
OV54	$T_{m-1,1}$	2	0.353	0.121	2.9
OV60	$\sigma_{0,\mathrm{sw}}$	3	-0.351	0.060	5.9
OV14	$\mathbf{SR}$	4	0.318	0.155	2.1
OV61	$S_{\rm sw}$	5	-0.311	0.059	5.2
OV11	$\delta^2 H_{\rm vap}$	6	-0.228	0.092	2.5
OV10	$\delta^{18}O_{\rm vap}$	7	-0.218	0.087	2.5
OV109	NCP	8	0.205	0.020	10.5
OV21	CO	9	-0.106	0.044	2.4
OV8	$\mathbf{R}\mathbf{H}$	10	0.092	0.021	4.5
OV65	Chl $a_{\rm fluo}$	12	0.059	0.046	1.3

OV-ID	Symbol	Rank	$\overline{w}$	$\sigma$	$\sigma \overline{w}^{-1}$
OV6	$S_{ m in}$	1	0.649	0.013	51.0
OV7	PAR	2	0.623	0.007	83.7
OV65	Chl $a_{\rm fluo}$	3	-0.258	0.025	10.4
OV38	$\mathrm{H}_2\mathrm{SO}_4$	4	0.200	0.024	8.4
OV39	$HIO_3$	5	0.196	0.033	5.9
OV71	$\Phi_{\rm PSII}'$	6	-0.187	0.026	7.2
OV4	$\mathrm{mask}_{\mathrm{CW}}$	7	0.061	0.015	3.9
OV18	$\mathbf{SC}$	8	-0.049	0.036	1.4

**Table S11.** List of OVs contributing to LV10 - Diel cycle, whith  $\sigma \overline{w}^{-1} > 1$ . The OVs are sorted according to  $\sigma \overline{w}^{-1} > 1$  (sixed column). The order rank according to |w| is provided in the third column.

**Table S12.** List of OVs contributing to LV11 - Surface nutrient concentrations associated with mixing events, climatic, and frontal zones, whith  $\sigma \overline{w}^{-1} > 1$ . The OVs are sorted according to  $\sigma \overline{w}^{-1} > 1$  (sixed column). The order rank according to |w| is provided in the third column.

OV-ID	Symbol	Rank	$\overline{w}$	$\sigma$	$\sigma  \overline{w}^{-1}$	
OV90	Phosphate	1	0.468	0.070	6.7	
OV88	Nitrate	2	0.456	0.075	6.1	
OV52	$r_{ m fluo,coarse3\sigma}$	3	-0.355	0.075	4.7	
OV89	Nitrite	4	0.288	0.079	3.6	
OV51	$r_{ m fluo, fine 3\sigma}$	5	-0.280	0.251	1.1	
OV84	$N_{ m totalbacteria}$	6	-0.165	0.056	2.9	
OV65	Chl $a_{\rm fluo}$	7	-0.161	0.050	3.3	
OV91	Silicate	8	0.150	0.081	1.8	
OV54	$T_{m-1,1}$	9	0.145	0.142	1.0	
OV93	POC	11	-0.080	0.046	1.7	
OV1	$u_{10\mathrm{N}}$	13	-0.074	0.057	1.3	
OV74	Chloro	14	-0.066	0.034	1.9	
OV94	PON	17	-0.042	0.028	1.5	
OV86	$N_{\rm nanoeukaryotes}$	20	-0.027	0.026	1.0	

OV-ID	Symbol	Rank	$\overline{w}$	σ	$\sigma \overline{w}^{-}$
OV26	$N_{ m seaspray}$	1	0.482	0.054	9.0
OV37	$\mathrm{Cl}^-$	2	0.459	0.075	6.1
OV1	$u_{10\mathrm{N}}$	3	0.438	0.071	6.2
OV59	$I_{ m g}$	4	-0.255	0.096	2.6
OV16	visibility	5	-0.228	0.056	4.0
OV25	$N_{ m accumulation}$	6	-0.206	0.044	4.7
OV53	$H_s$	7	0.174	0.073	2.4
OV30	$N_{ m sodium,PM10}$	10	0.072	0.057	1.3
OV33	$N_{\rm magnesium, PM10}$	11	0.068	0.054	1.3

**Table S13.** List of OVs contributing to LV12 - Wind driven conditions and sea spray aerosol, whith  $\sigma \overline{w}^{-1} > 1$ . The OVs are sorted according to  $\sigma \overline{w}^{-1} > 1$  (sixed column). The order rank according to |w| is provided in the third column.

**Table S14.** List of OVs contributing to LV13 - Extratropical cyclone activity, whith  $\sigma \overline{w}^{-1} > 1$ . The OVs are sorted according to  $\sigma \overline{w}^{-1} > 1$  (sixed column). The order rank according to |w| is provided in the third column.

OV-ID	Symbol	Rank	$\overline{w}$	σ	$\sigma \overline{w}^{-1}$
OV3	$\mathrm{mask}_{\mathrm{cyc}}$	1	0.658	0.042	15.7
OV2	$P_{\rm air}$	2	-0.481	0.039	12.4
OV23	$\mathrm{Isoprene}_{\mathrm{air}}$	3	0.364	0.045	8.1
OV77	DiatA	4	-0.169	0.084	2.0
OV21	CO	6	-0.106	0.045	2.3
OV36	$\mathrm{SO}_4^{2-}$	7	-0.098	0.054	1.8
OV63	$\delta^{18} O_{sw}$	8	0.088	0.062	1.4
OV18	$\mathbf{SC}$	12	-0.071	0.056	1.3
OV75	Crypto	13	-0.065	0.056	1.2
OV65	Chl $a_{\rm fluo}$	14	-0.055	0.047	1.2

OV-ID	Symbol	Rank	$\overline{w}$	$\sigma$	$\sigma  \overline{w}^{-1}$
OV24	$N_{\rm Aitken}$	1	0.467	0.078	6.0
OV56	$U_{\rm g}$	2	0.298	0.097	3.1
OV43	$N_{\rm CCN,1.00}$	3	0.295	0.050	5.9
OV14	$\mathbf{SR}$	4	-0.245	0.085	2.9
OV91	Silicate	5	-0.240	0.065	3.7
OV13	RR	6	0.200	0.082	2.4
OV109	NCP	7	0.197	0.046	4.3
OV46	$\kappa_{\rm CCN, 1.00}$	8	0.157	0.076	2.1
OV53	$H_s$	9	0.151	0.073	2.1
OV75	Crypto	10	-0.142	0.082	1.7
OV72	$\sigma_{ m PSII}$	11	-0.112	0.085	1.3
OV73	$\sigma_{ m PSII}{}'$	12	-0.111	0.071	1.6
OV55	SSH	13	0.109	0.052	2.1
OV57	$T_{\rm sw}$	16	0.078	0.047	1.7
OV9	w	17	0.075	0.049	1.5
OV110	$d_{\mathrm{land}}$	19	0.066	0.022	3.0
OV5	$T_{\rm air}$	22	0.063	0.052	1.2
OV65	Chl $a_{\rm fluo}$	25	0.046	0.038	1.2

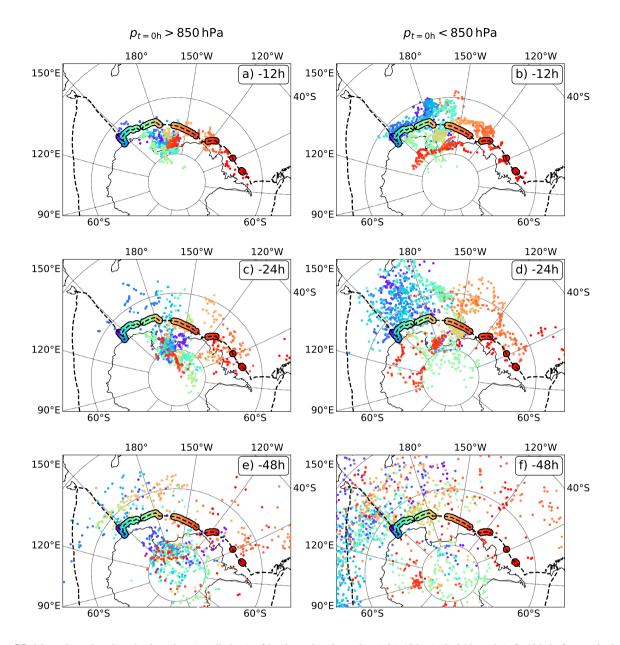
**Table S15.** List of OVs contributing to LV14 - Climatic zones with local high latitude hotspots, whith  $\sigma \overline{w}^{-1} > 1$ . The OVs are sorted according to  $\sigma \overline{w}^{-1} > 1$  (sixed column). The order rank according to |w| is provided in the third column.

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north of the ACE ship track (Figure S5d).

The origin of the air parcels arriving during snowfall along the ACE track differs depending on the arrival altitude and location along the track. Generally, air parcels arriving at low altitudes arrive more often from southerly direction than those arriving above 850 hPa above sea level (a.s.l.) (compare e.g. Figure S5a and b). A strong contrast in the air parcel origin can be seen for the Mertz Glacier area (dark to light blue points in Figure S5). The trajectories arriving below 850 hPa a.s.l. were located over the Antarctica continent 24 h before arrival (Figure S5c), while the trajectories arriving above 850 hPa were located to the

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**Figure S5.** Map plots showing the location (small dots) of backward trajectories (a,b) 12 h, (c,d) 24 h and (e,f) 48 h before arrival along the ACE track starting at altitudes (a,c,e) below and (b,d,f) above 850 hPa a.s.l. Only backward trajectories, which arrive during snowfall, are shown. The dashed, black line shows the ACE ship track and the coloured line the starting positions of the backward trajectories along the ACE track. The colours of the small dots correspond to the colours of the trajectories' starting positions, respectively. The backward trajectories were launched between 0 and 500 hPa a.s.l. every hour along the ACE track using the 3D wind fields from ECMWF analysis data. For more details on the trajectory calculations see Thurnherr et al. (2020b).

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