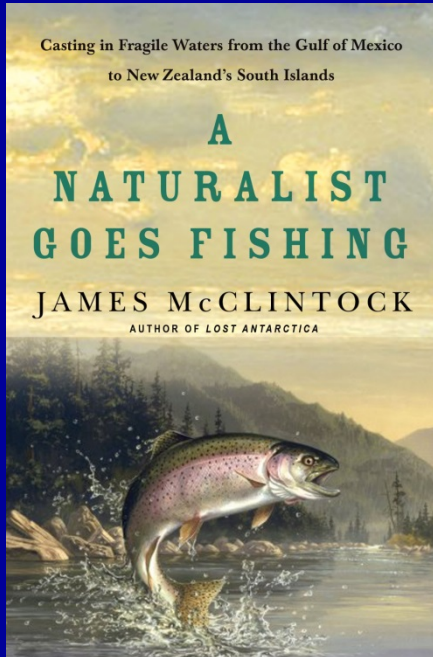
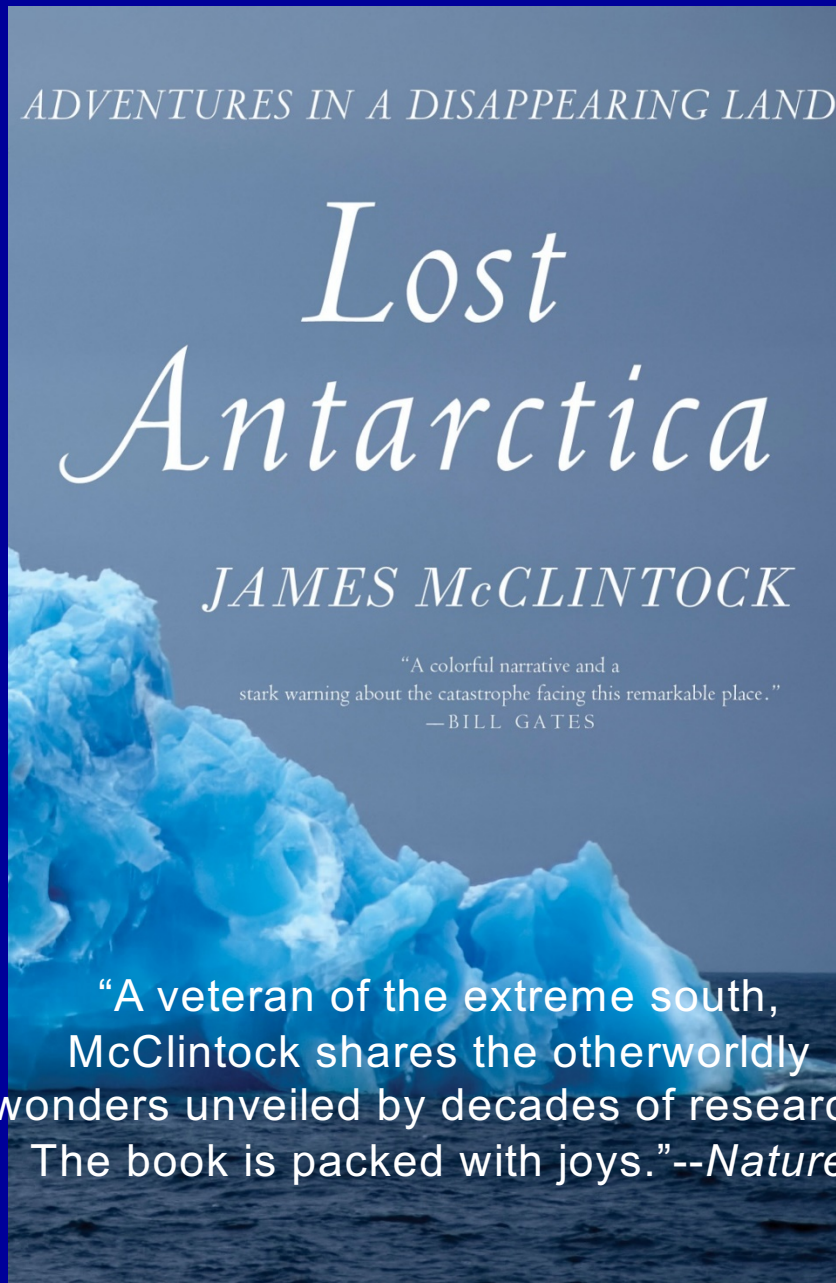


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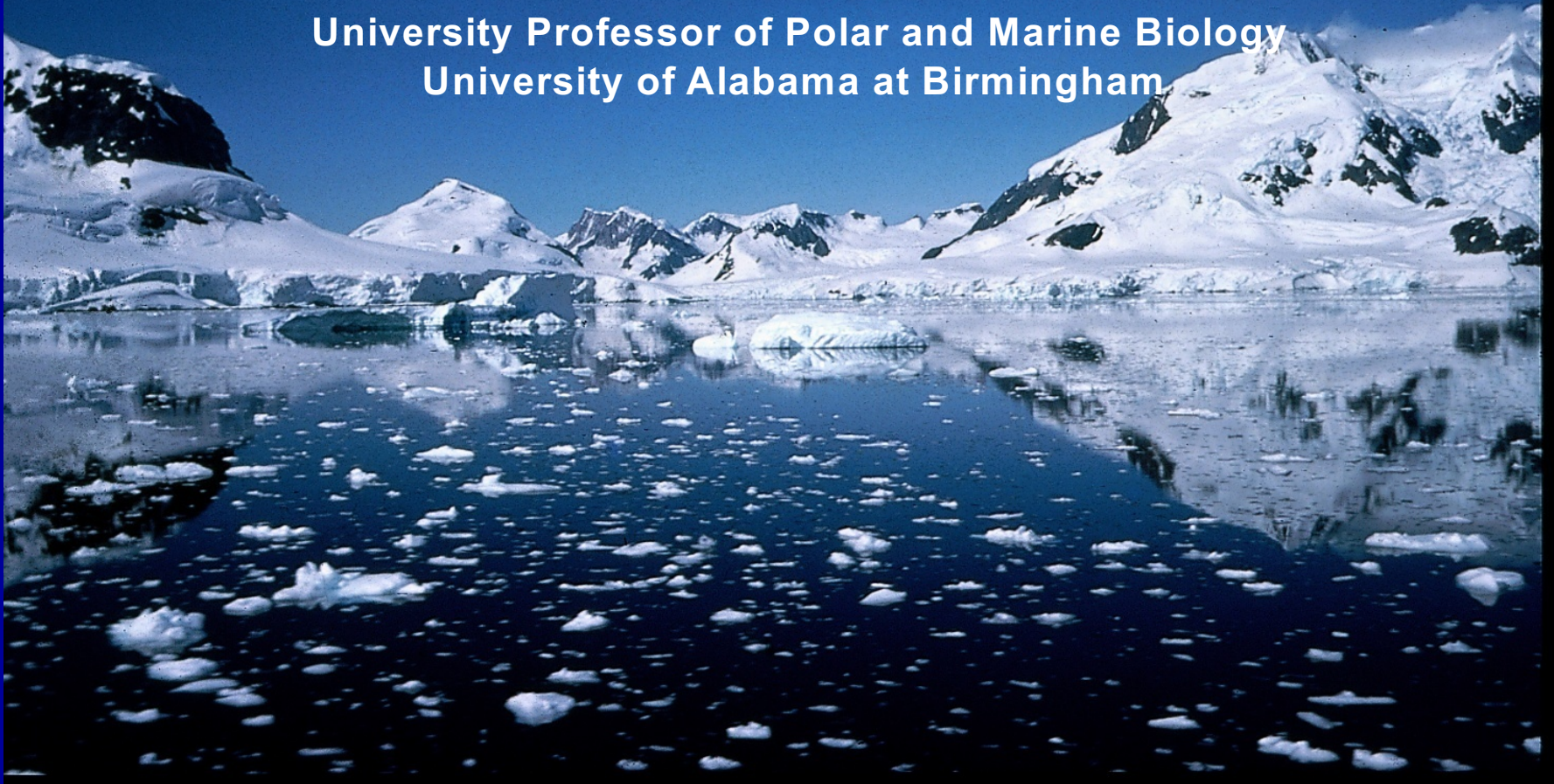


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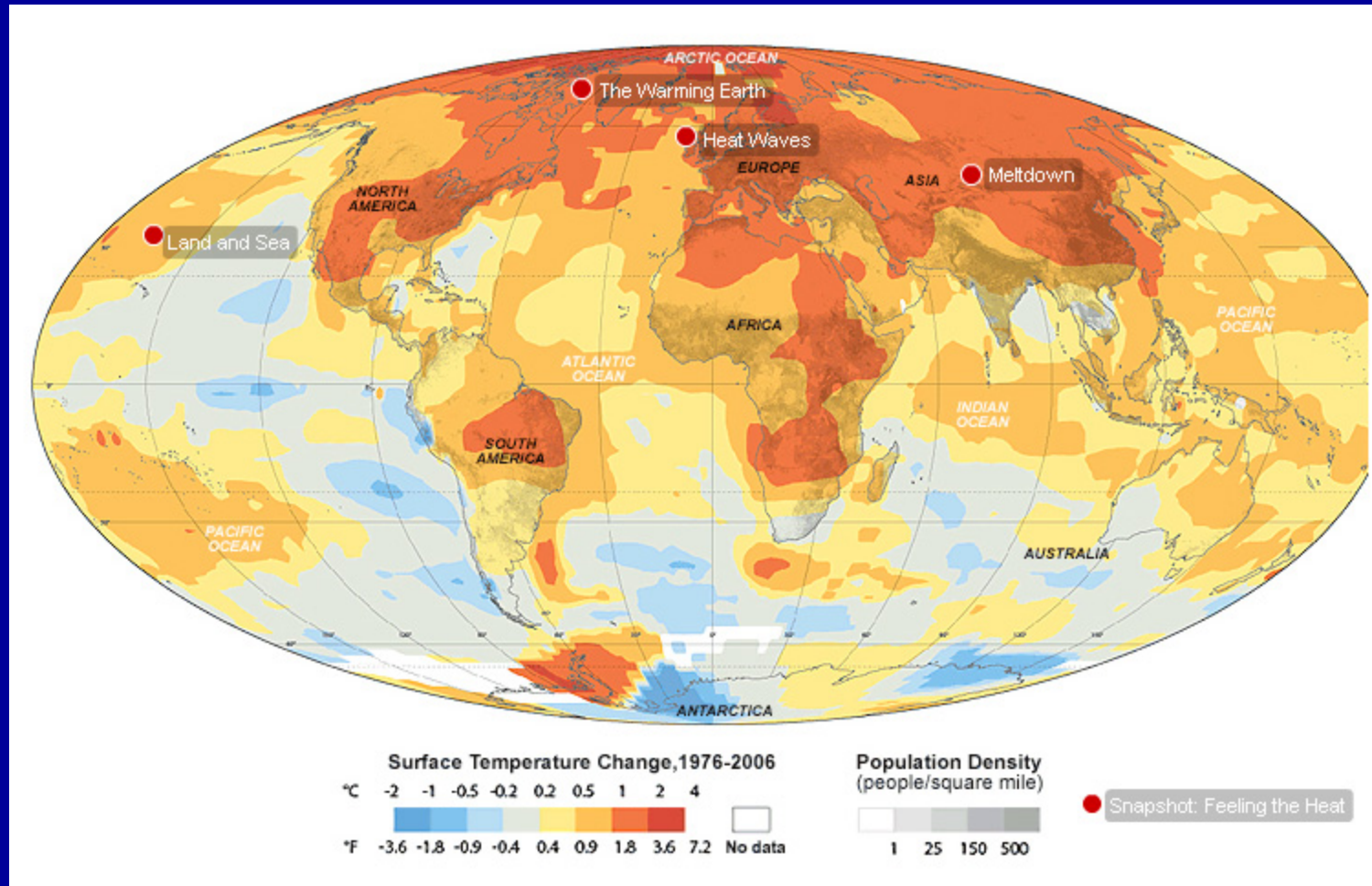
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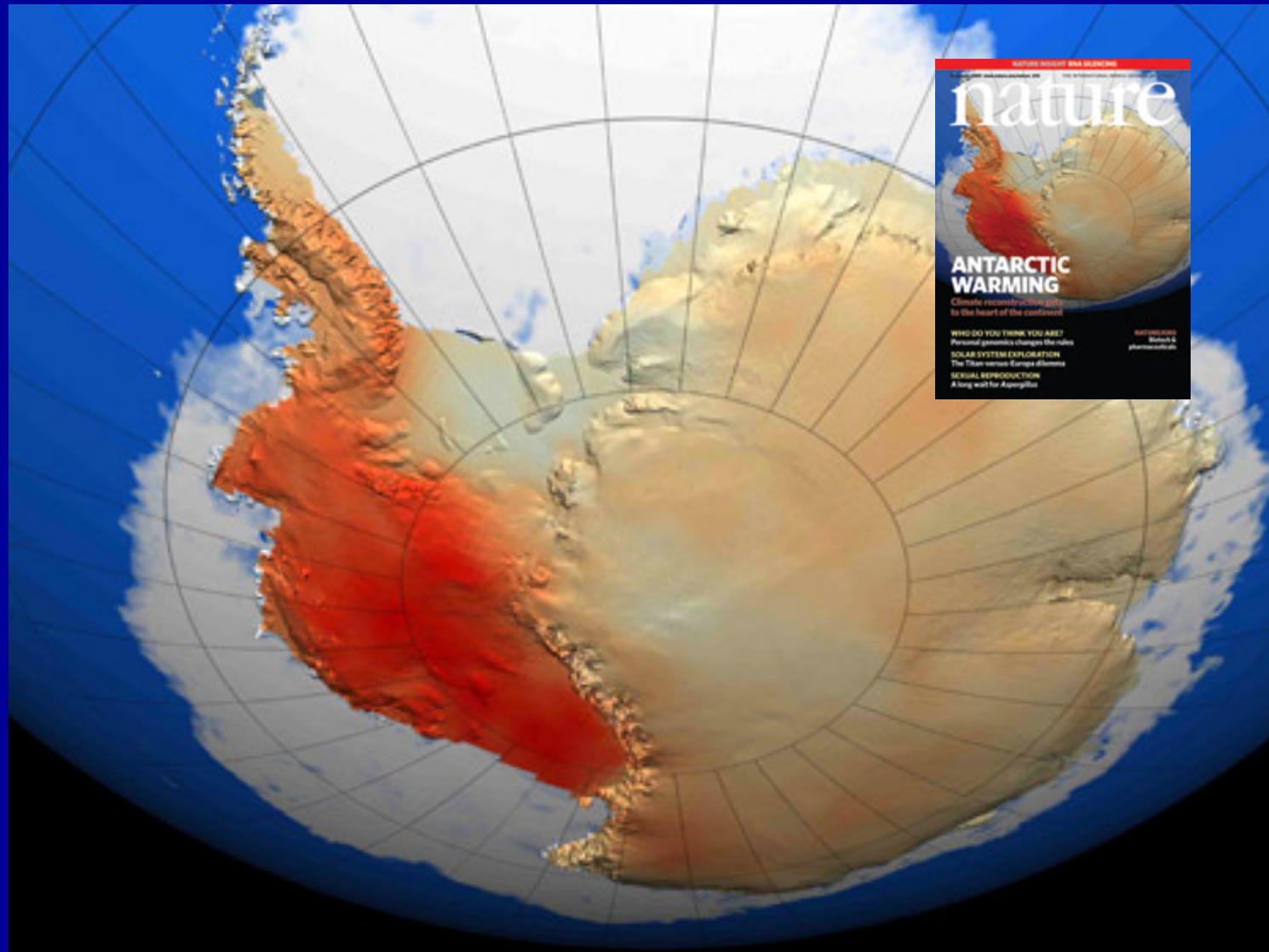
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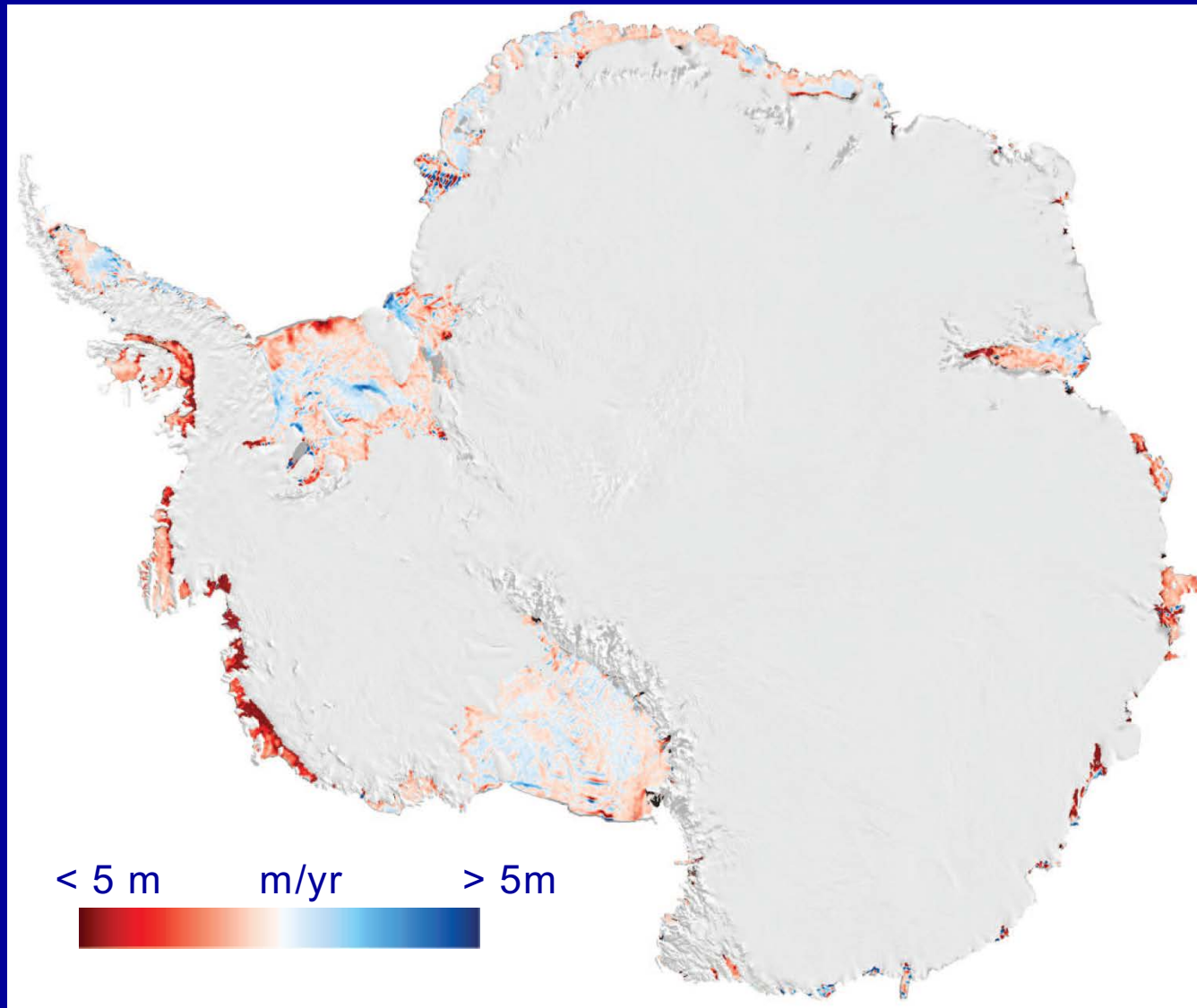
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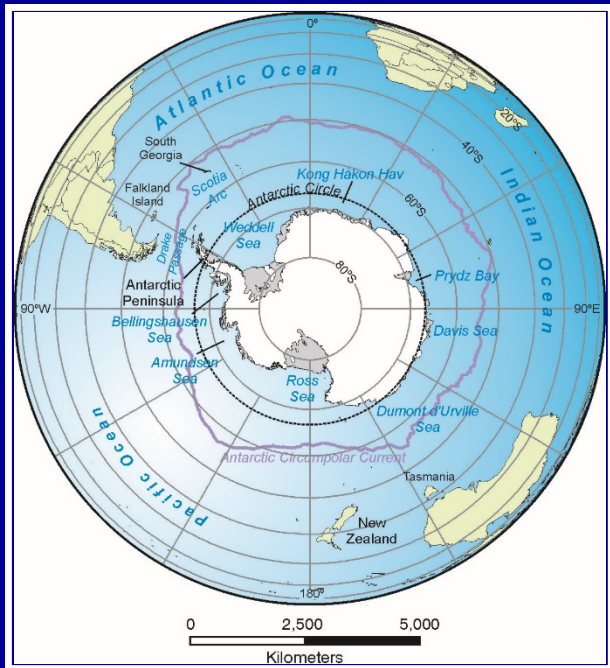
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Steig et al. Nature 2009



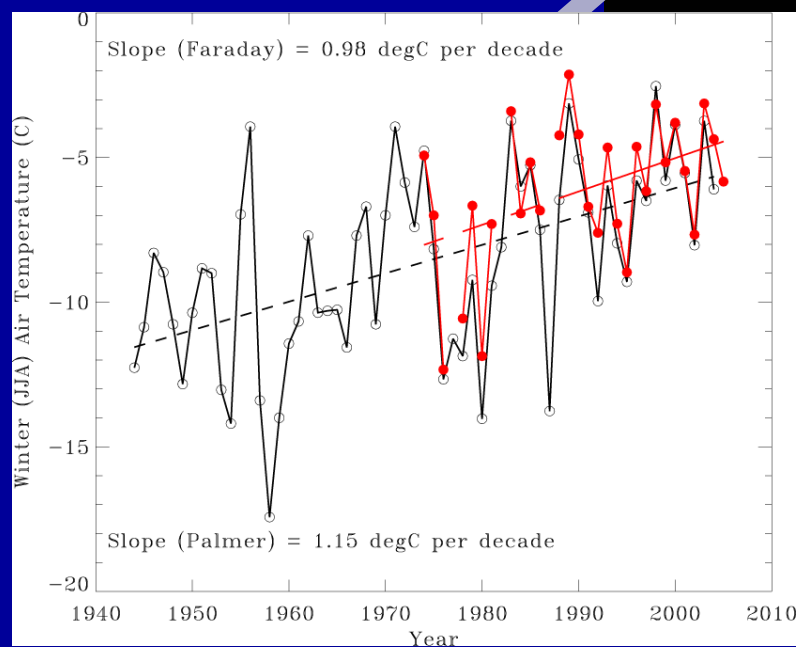
Ice Shelf Melting Around Antarctica

Rignot et al. 2013 Science 341, 266



**Data recorded at Vernadsky Base
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**6°C (10° F) increase from
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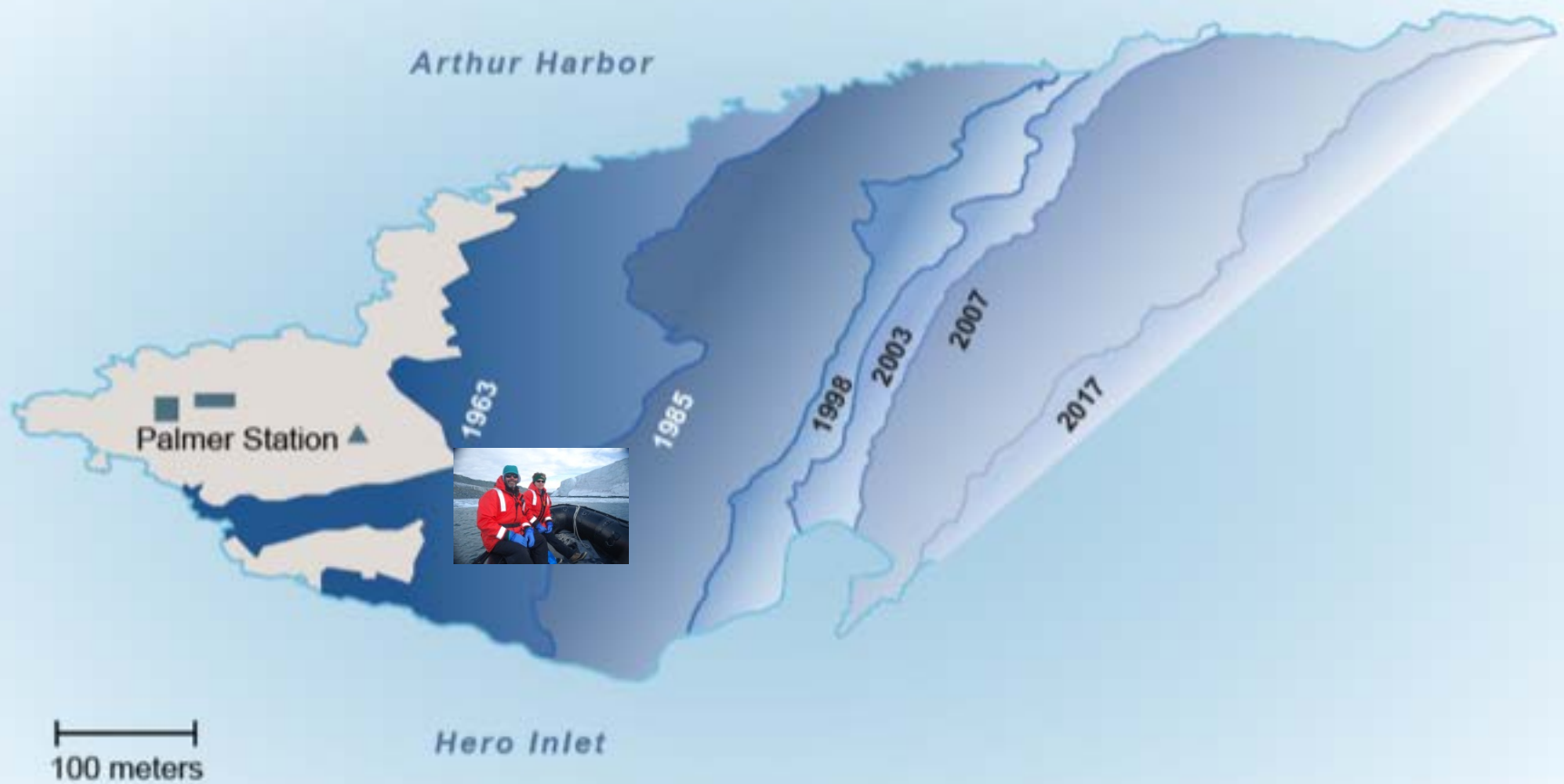
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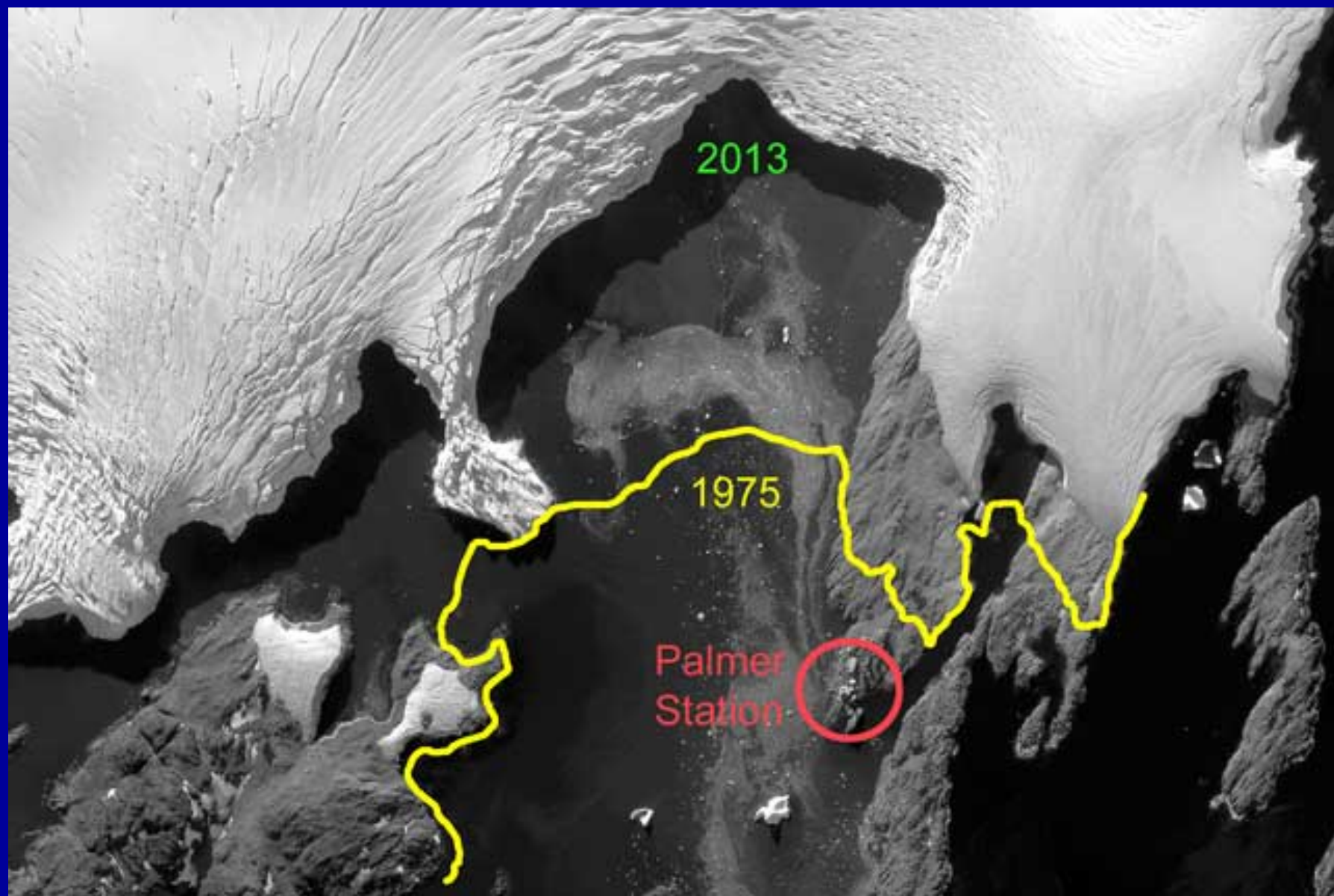
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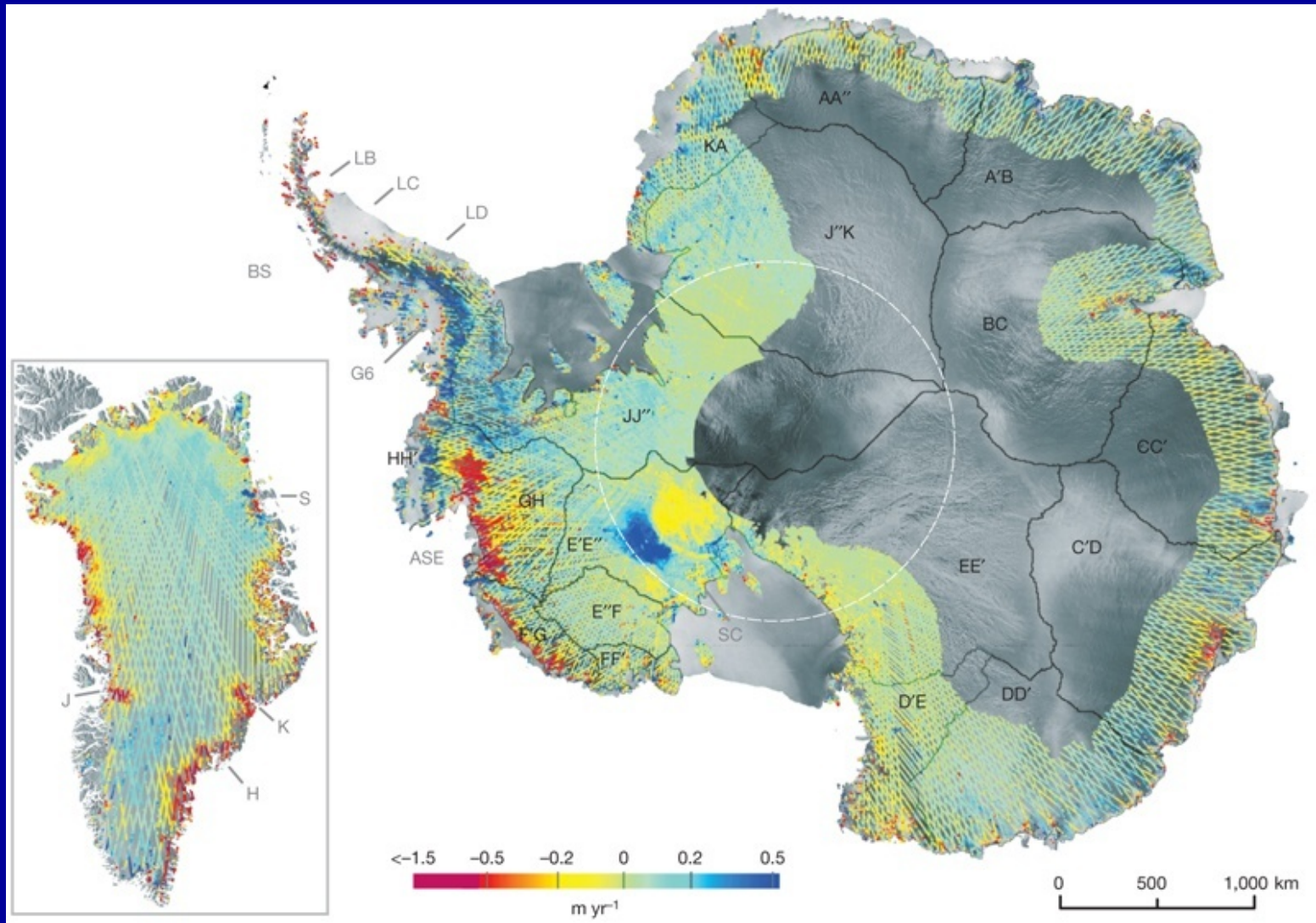


Increased glacial calving – Marr Glacier, Anvers Island 2006









Satellite generated measure of glacial ice thickness

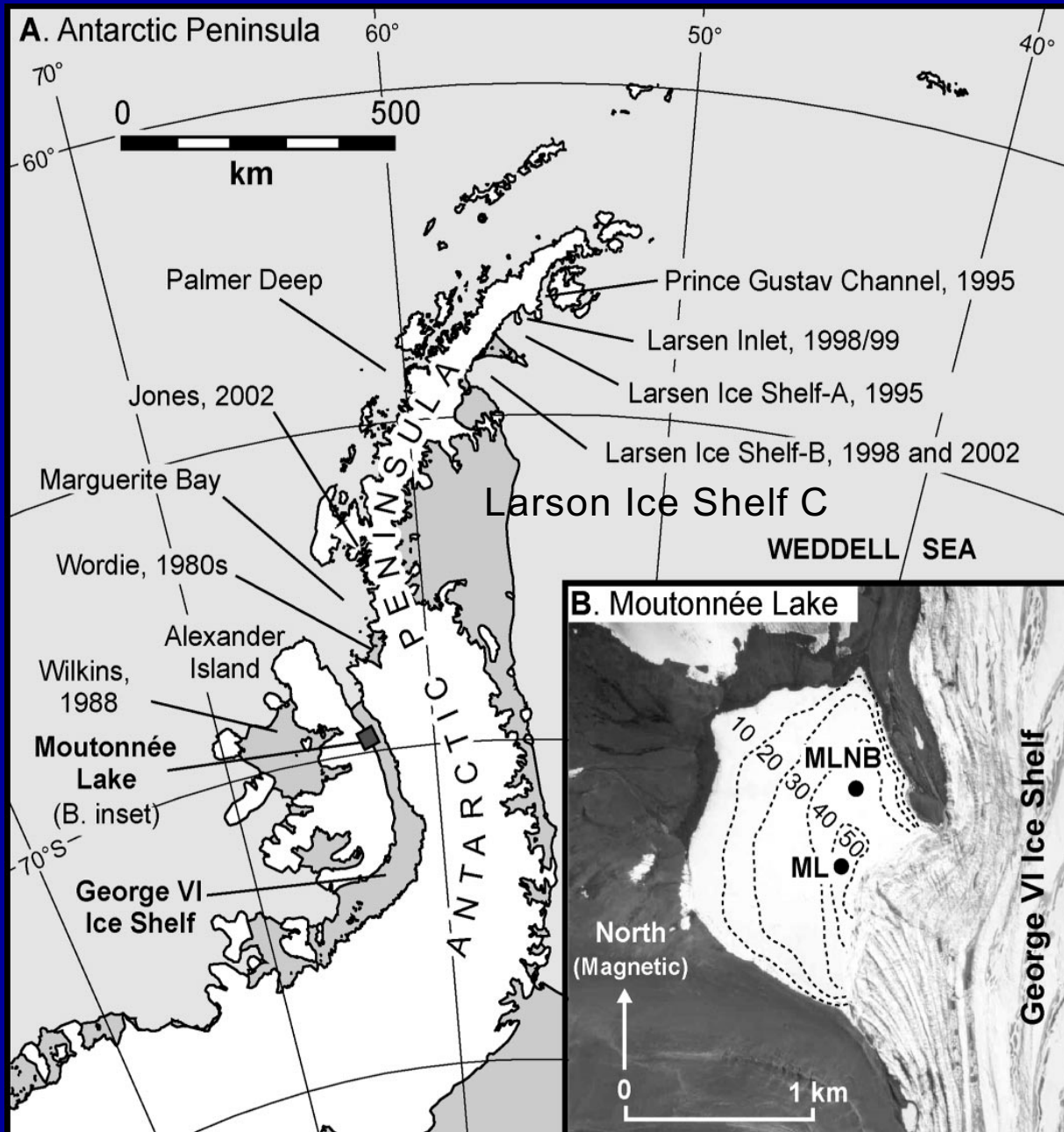
No Stopping the Collapse of West Antarctic Ice Sheet – Science

Thwaites Glacier 1992-2011 retreated 14 km between 1992-2011
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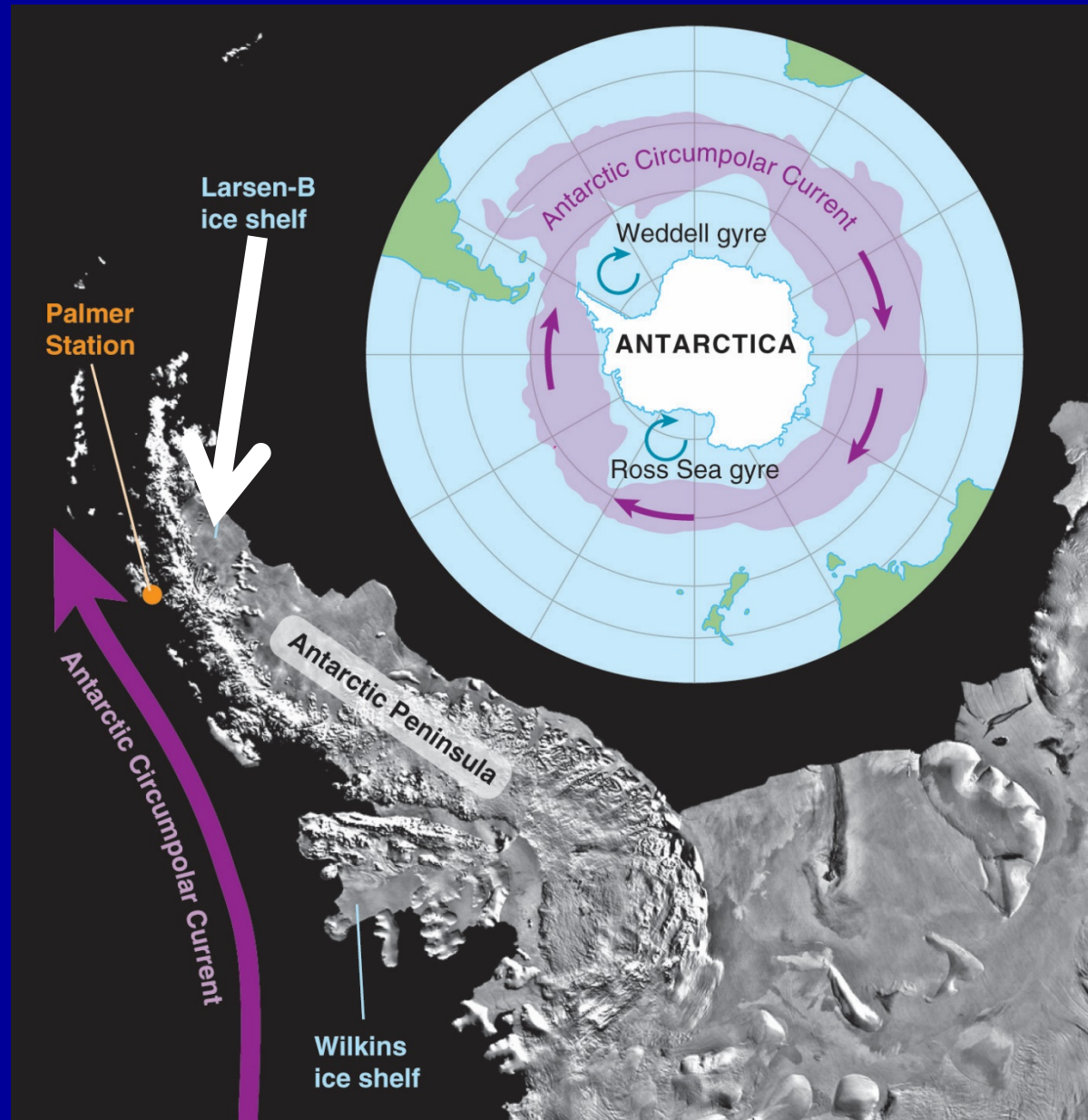
Models predict acceleration to 5 km per year and
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Once gone – collapse of West
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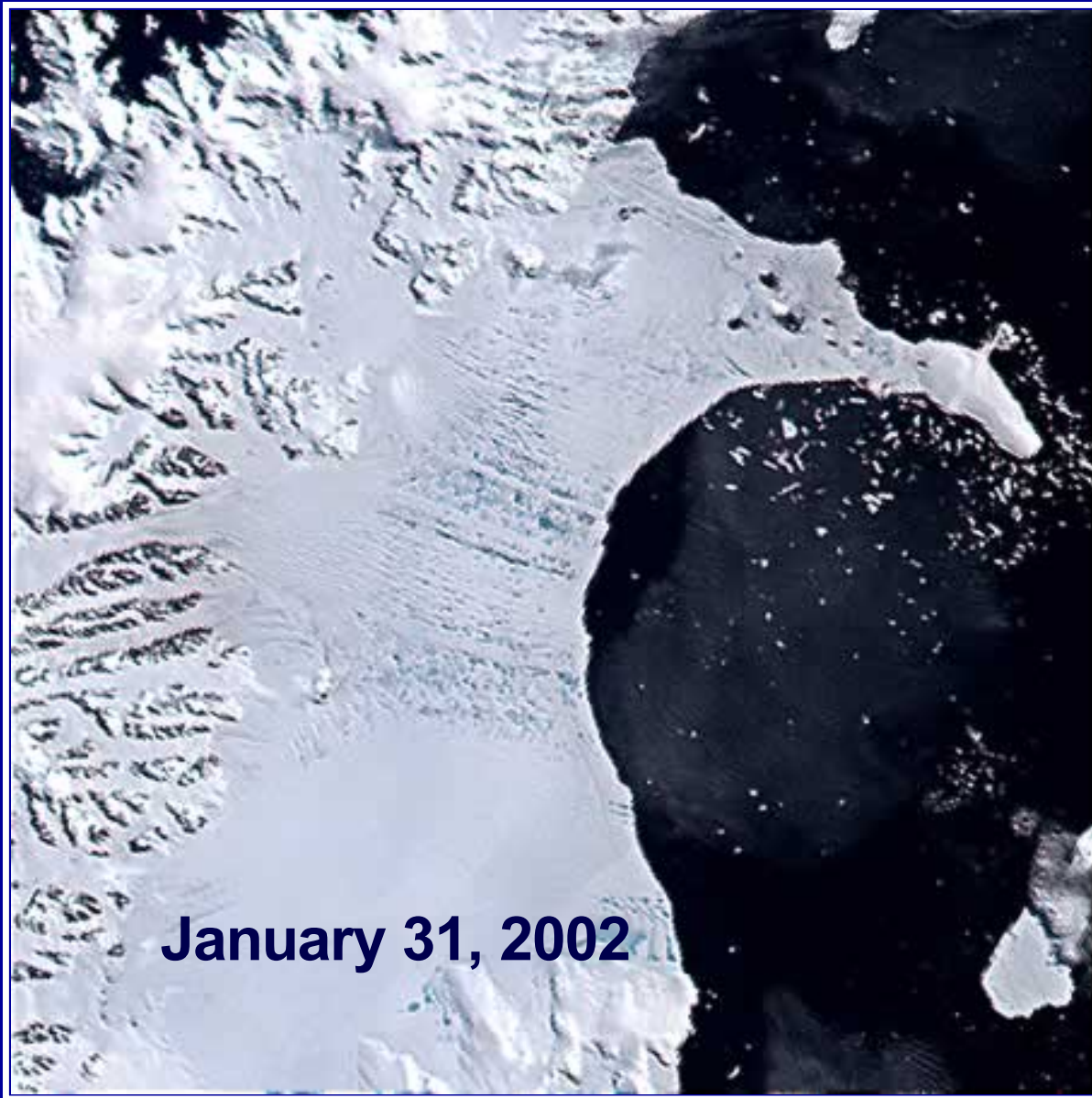




Larsen Ice Shelf Collapse



Larsen Ice Shelf – Eastern Antarctic Peninsula

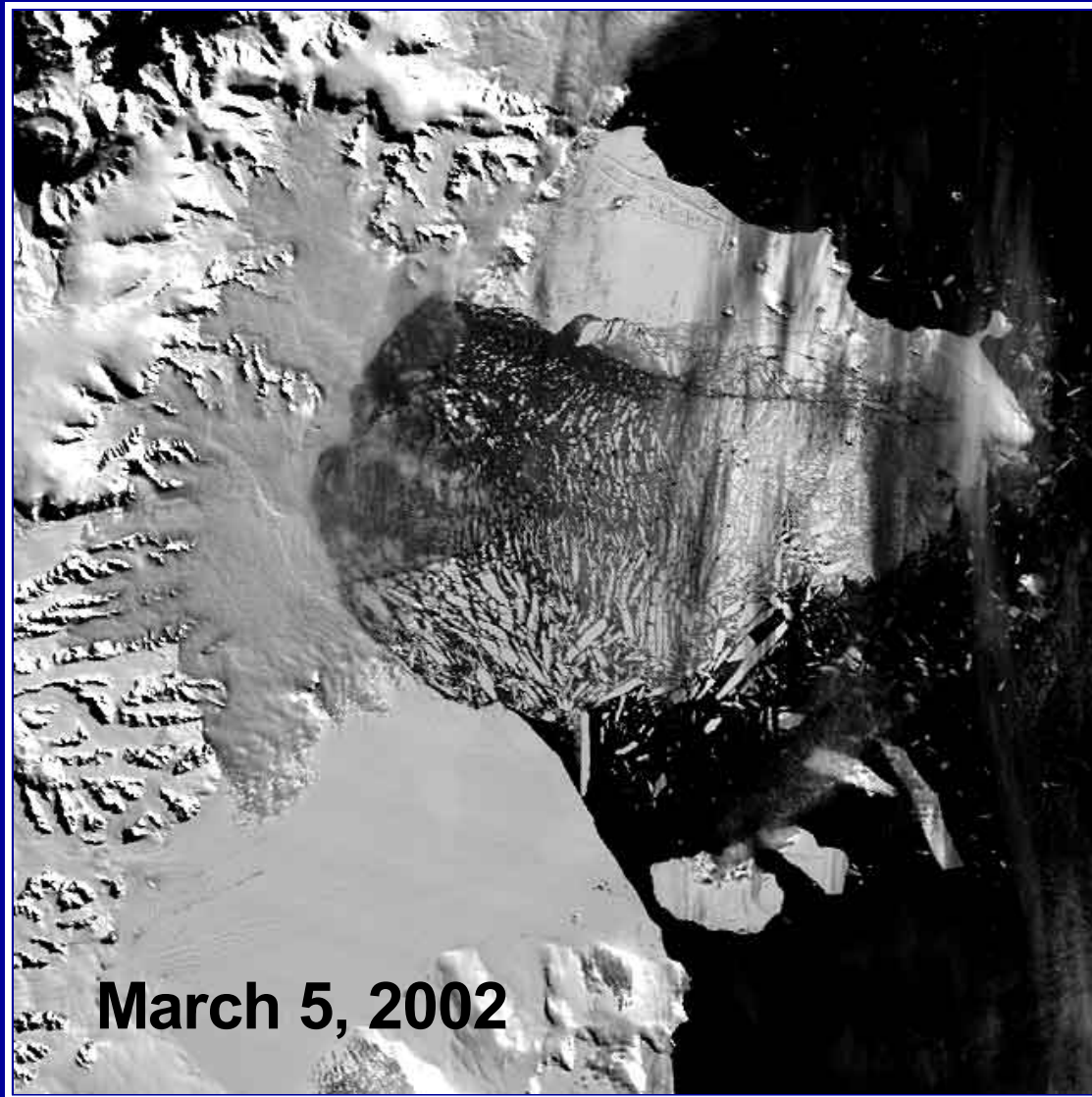


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Larsen Ice Shelf – Eastern Antarctic Peninsula



Larsen Ice Shelf – Eastern Antarctic Peninsula

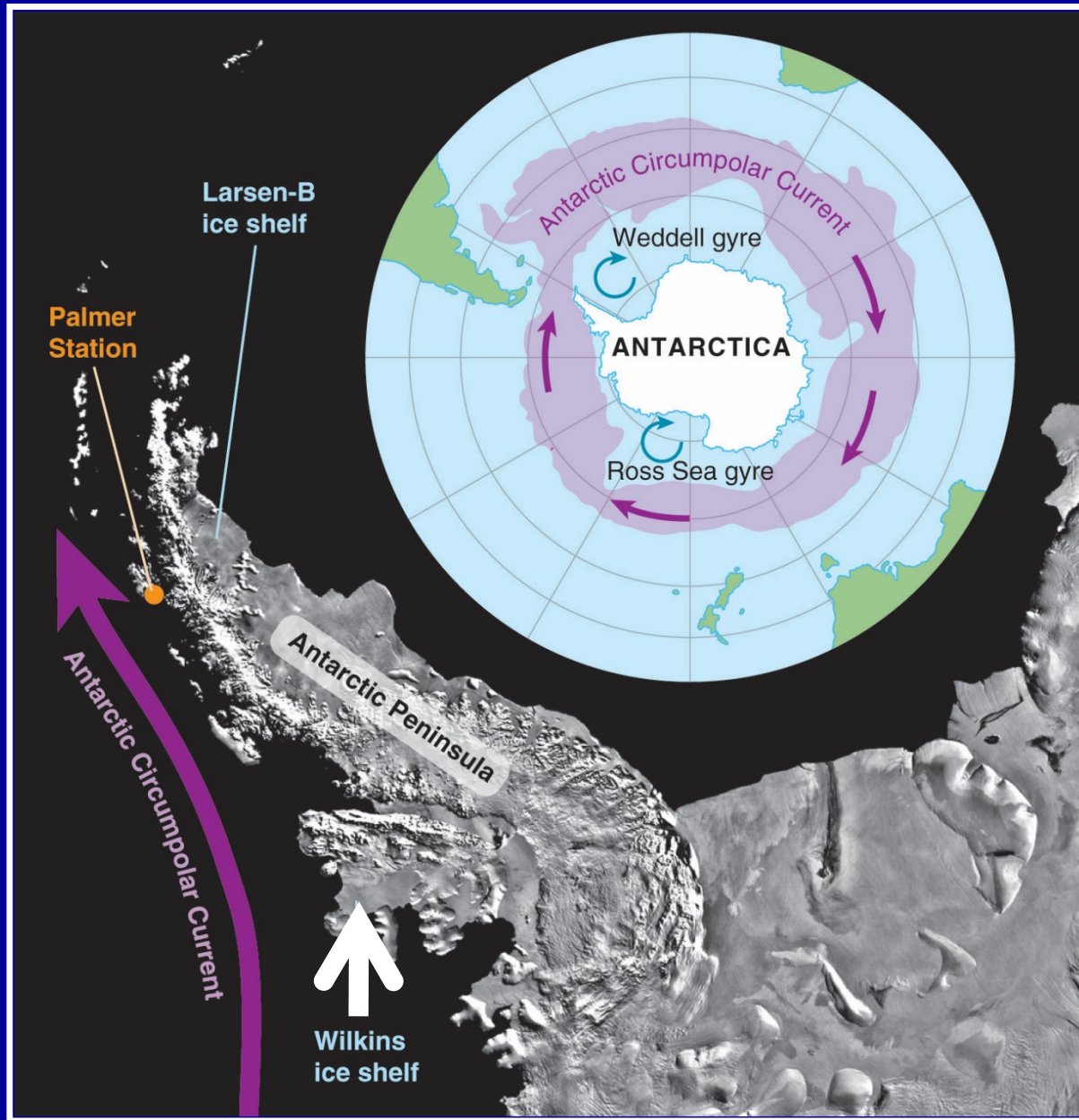


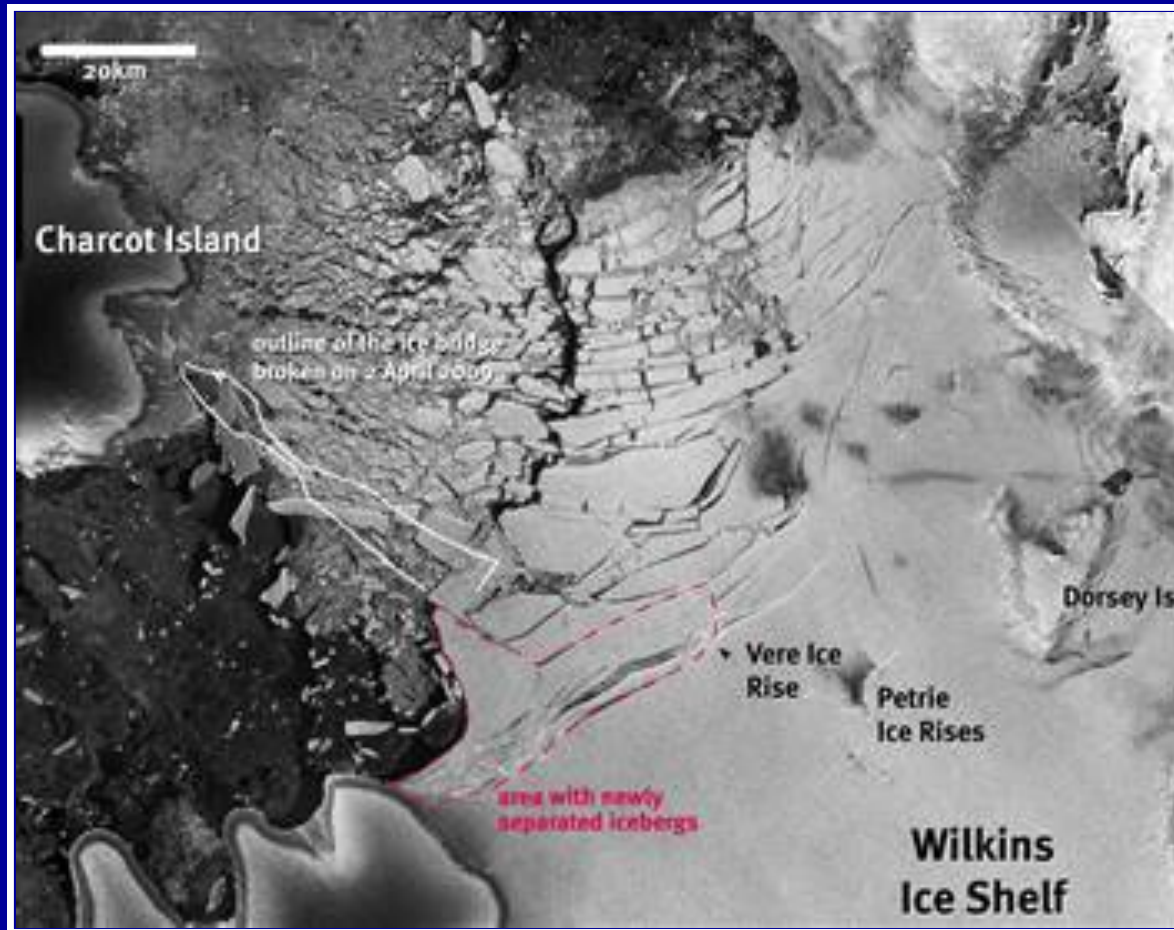
Total size of break out = 5700 square kilometers
Size of Rhode Island



Larsen C ice shelf – July 12, 2017 – 5700 square km
Size of Delaware

Wilkins Ice Shelf Collapse





Disintegration of Wilkins Ice Shelf – April 27, 2009
Total size of breakout = 29,000 square kilometers
Size of Connecticut

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**Bill Fraser – Conducting population census of Adélie Penguins
40 year data base (1975- present)**

Penguin population trends – Antarctic Peninsula



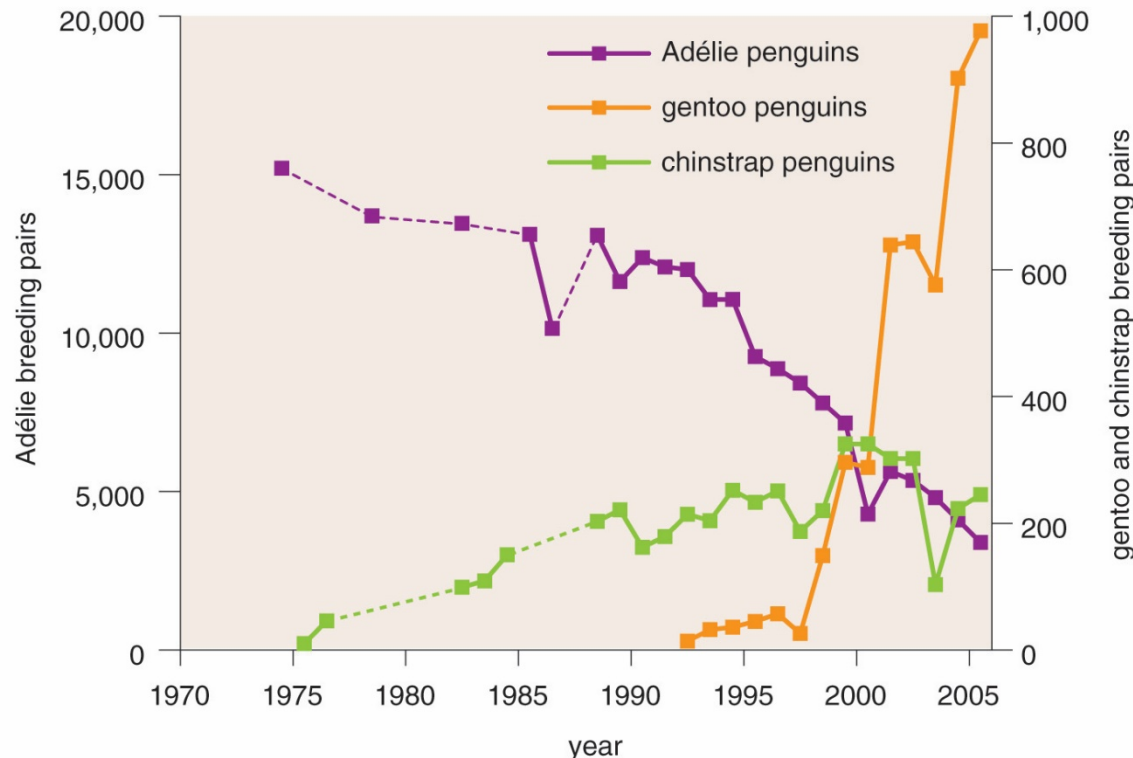
Adélie



Gentoo



Chinstrap



Adélie

■ 1500 pairs

2017

Nesting Adélie penguins buried in snow suffer high egg mortality

Nov 19, 2001 storm event



Photos – Heidi Geisz





Climate warming over past 25 years has resulted in a 40% reduction in extent of annual sea ice cover along the western Antarctic Peninsula



***Euphausia superba* grazing on sea-ice associated microalgae**
- Reduction in Peninsular sea ice is correlated with reduction in krill





Reductions in numbers of Weddell Seals – postulated to be related to their ecological dependence on annual sea ice



Fundamental alterations of phytoplankton communities



**Dr. Hugh Ducklow – Sampling phytoplankton
NSF Palmer Long-term Ecological Research Program**

Recent Changes in Phytoplankton Communities

Montes-Hugo et al. 2009. Science 323, 1470-1473

REPORT

Recent Changes in Phytoplankton Communities Associated with Rapid Regional Climate Change Along the Western Antarctic Peninsula

Martin Montes-Hugo,¹ Scott C. Doney,² Hugh W. Ducklow,² William Fraser,⁴ Douglas Martinson,⁵ Sharon E. Stammerjohn,⁶ Oscar Schofield¹

The climate of the western shelf of the Antarctic Peninsula (WAP) is undergoing a transition from a cold-dry polar-type climate to a warm-humid sub-Antarctic-type climate. Using three decades of satellite and field data, we document that ocean biological productivity, inferred from chlorophyll *a* concentration (Chl *a*), has significantly changed along the WAP shelf. Summertime surface Chl *a* (summer integrated Chl *a* ~63% of annually integrated Chl *a*) declined by 12% along the WAP over the past 30 years, with the largest decreases equatorward of 63°S and with substantial increases in Chl *a* occurring farther south. The latitudinal variation in Chl *a* trends reflects shifting patterns of ice cover, cloud formation, and windiness affecting water-column mixing. Regional changes in phytoplankton coincide with observed changes in krill (*Euphausia superba*) and penguin populations.

Over the past several decades, the marine ecosystem along the western continental shelf of the Antarctic Peninsula (WAP) (62° to 69°S, 59° to 78°W, ~1000 by 200 km) has undergone rapid physical climate change (1). Compared with conditions in 1979 at the beginning of satellite data coverage, seasonal sea ice during 2004 arrived 54 ± 9 (1 SE) days later in autumn and departed 31 ± 10 days earlier in spring (2). Winter air temperatures, measured between 62.2°S, 57.0°W and 65.3°S, 64.3°W, warmed at up to 4.8 times the global average rate during the past half-century (3–5). This warming is the most rapid of the past 500 years and stands in contrast to a marked cooling between 2700 and 100 years before the present (5–7). As the once-perennial sea ice and glaciers retreat (8), maritime conditions are expanding southward to displace the continental, polar system of the southern WAP (9).

As a result, populations of sea ice dependent species of lower and higher trophic levels are being demographically displaced poleward and are being replaced by ice-avoiding species (e.g., krill are being replaced by salps, and Adélie penguins by Chinstrap penguins) (1, 10, 11). Do these biogeographic modifications originate from changes at the base of the food web?

In the short term (monthly-interannual scale) and during spring and summer, variations in latitudinal gradients in phytoplankton biomass as a function of time have been associated with sea ice timing and extent (12, 13). However, this mechanism has not been investigated over a longer time scale of decades. Further, the relative importance of subregional differences in climate variables other than sea ice (e.g., cloudiness and currents) in determining WAP alongshore phytoplankton dynamics is not known. In contrast to previous work, we suggest that alongshore phytoplankton distribution in this region has been adjusting to the ongoing, long-term sea ice decline and spatial modifications of other physical climate factors. Short-term evidence from seasonal cruises (13–15) suggests an inverse relationship between phytoplankton biomass in surface waters (0- to 50-m depth) and the depth of the upper mixed layer (UML). As the UML becomes less stratified, mean light levels for phytoplankton photosynthesis decrease, and phytoplankton growth is not large enough compared with Chl *a* loss (e.g., grazing and sinking) to support Chl *a* accumulation in surface waters (14). Because deepening of UML is mainly determined by greater surface wind stress (14), particularly during ice-free conditions, the expectation is for a decrease (increase) of phytoplankton biomass at ~64° to 64.5°S (~64° to 64.5°S) due to deeper (shallower) UML given a shorter (longer) sea ice season and greater (smaller) influence of wind in determining UML depth and, therefore, mean light levels.

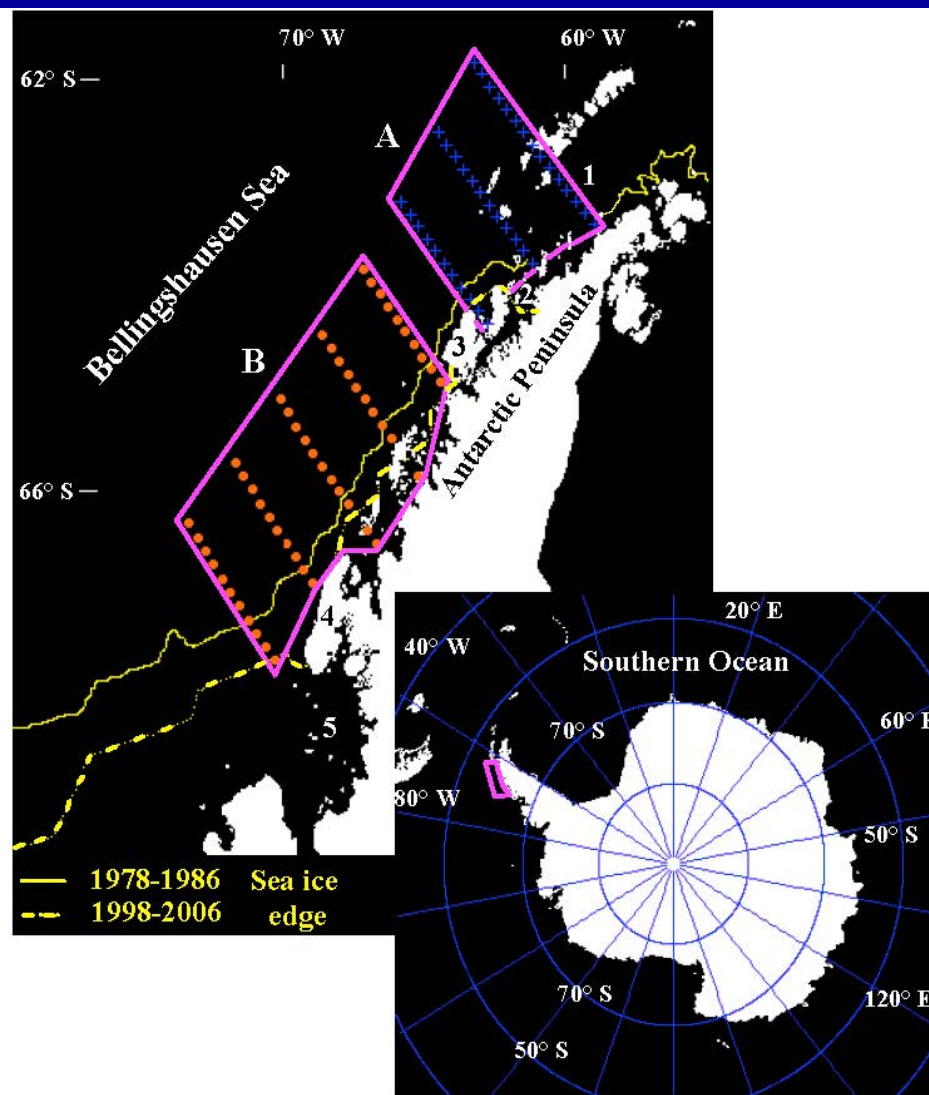
Based on Chl *a* concentration derived from satellites [Coastal Zone Color Scanner (CZCS) and Sea-Viewing Wide Field-of-View Sensor (SeaWiFS)] (Chl_s) and in situ shipboard measurements (Chl_u) and (16), we report a two-decadal

(1978–1986 to 1998–2006) increase (decrease) of biomass in summer (December to February) phytoplankton populations in the continental shelf waters situated south (north) with respect to the central part of the WAP region (Palmer Archipelago, 64.6°S, 63.6°W). These spatial trends were mainly associated with geographic differences in receding sea ice cover and solar illumination of the sea surface.

Since the 1970s, there has been a 7.5% areal decline in summer sea ice throughout the WAP, with the declines varying regionally (Fig. 1, blue bars, and fig. S5, A and E). Cloudiness (Fig. 1, pink bars, and fig. S5, B and F) and wind patterns (Fig. 1, black bars, and fig. S5, C and G) have also changed during the past decade. In the 1970s, overcast skies tended to be positively associated with windy conditions, but in the past 10 years this covariation has weakened considerably (fig. S5, B, C, F, and G). Surface winds have become more intense (up to 60% increase) during mid to late summer (January and February) (Fig. 1 and fig. S5, C to G). Overall, these climate variations were associated with a 12% decline in Chl_s over the entire study region (Table 1) that resembles Chl_s declines reported in northern high latitudes (>40°N) between 1979–1986 and 1997–2000 (17).

In the northern subregion of the WAP (61.8° to 64.5°S, 59.0° to 65.8°W), the skies have become cloudier, winds persistently stronger (monthly mean up to 8 m s⁻¹), and summer sea ice extent less, conditions favoring deeper wind-mixing during the months most critical for phytoplankton growth (December and January) (Fig. 1 and fig. S5, A to D). Hence, phytoplankton cells inhabiting these waters have been exposed to a deeper mixed layer and overall less light for photosynthesis (14) that may explain the dramatic Chl_s decrease (seasonal average, 89%) detected in recent years (Fig. 1, Fig. 2A, and fig. S5D). Additionally, recent declines of Chl *a* over the northern WAP subregion might also be partially related to a greater advection of relatively poor Chl *a* waters coming from the Weddell Sea into the Bellingshausen Sea through the Bransfield and Gerlache Straits (18). A Chl *a* decrease was less evident during February (Table 1), which suggests that increased mixing early in the growth season caused a lag in phytoplankton bloom initiation but did not influence Chl *a* levels as strongly later in the growth season. Two possible trigger mechanisms for such a delay are stronger winds (up to 5.4% increase, January (table S5)) and an insufficient volume of fresh water from melting sea ice (up to 79% less sea ice, December (table S5)) that otherwise would create a favorable, strongly stratified, shallow UML (13–15).

In the southern subregion of the WAP (63.8° to 67.8°S, 64.4° to 73.0°W), remotely sensed Chl *a* has undergone a remarkable increase (66% on average) from 1978–1986 to 1998–2006 (Fig. 1, fig. S5H, Fig. 2A, and Table 1) that can be

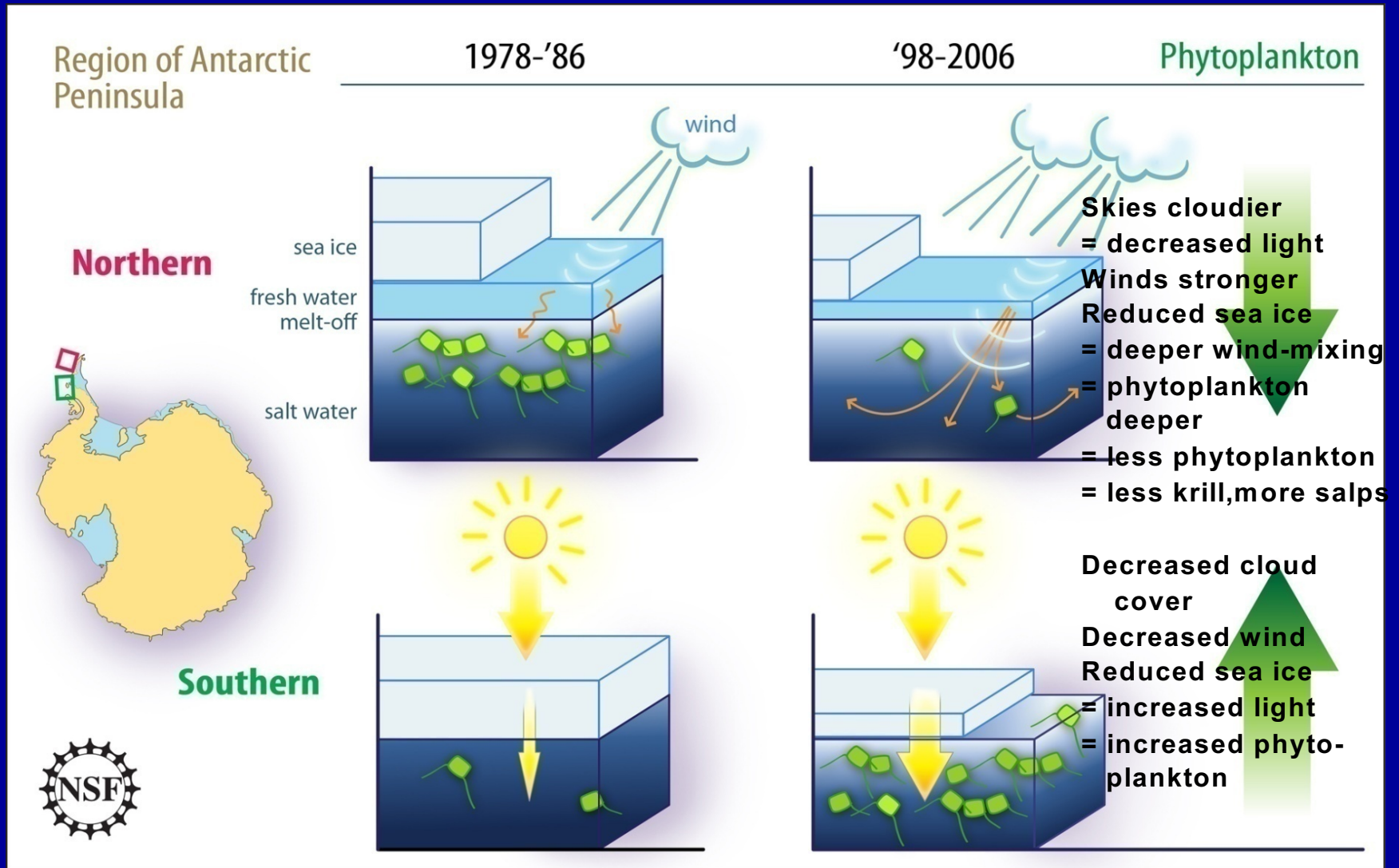


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Shift from cold-dry polar type climate to warm-humid sub-Antarctic type climate

Concomitant changes in planktonic phytoplankton communities



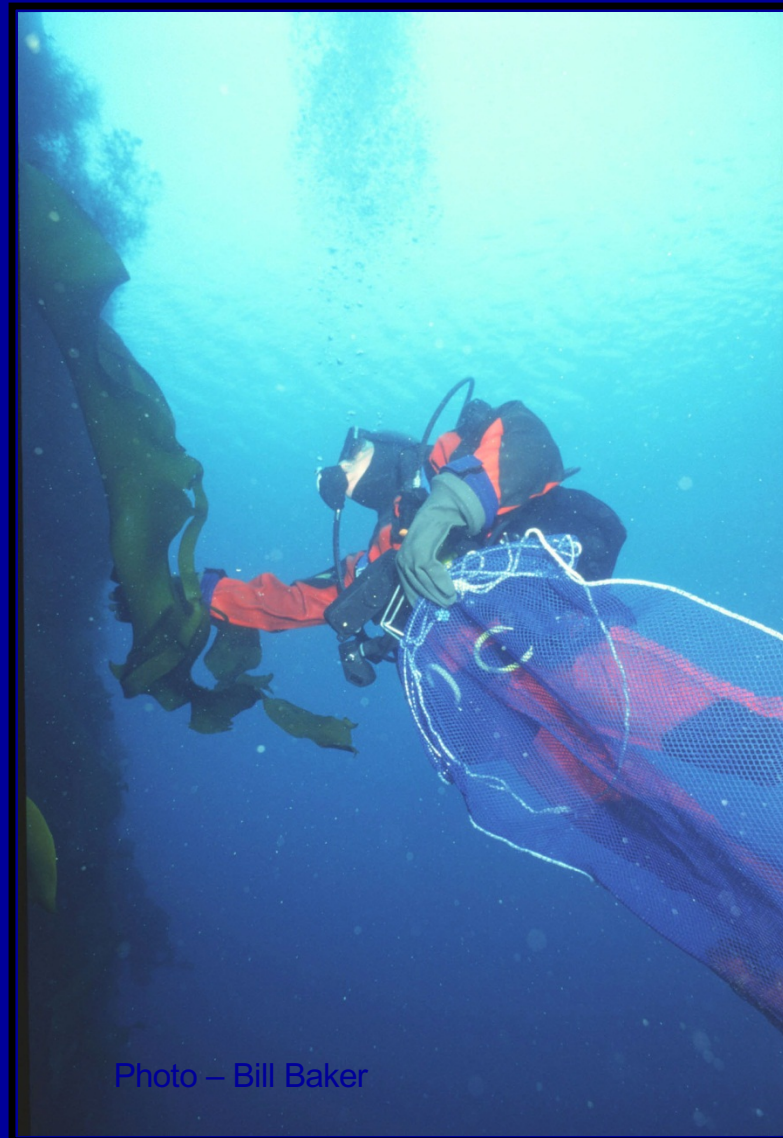


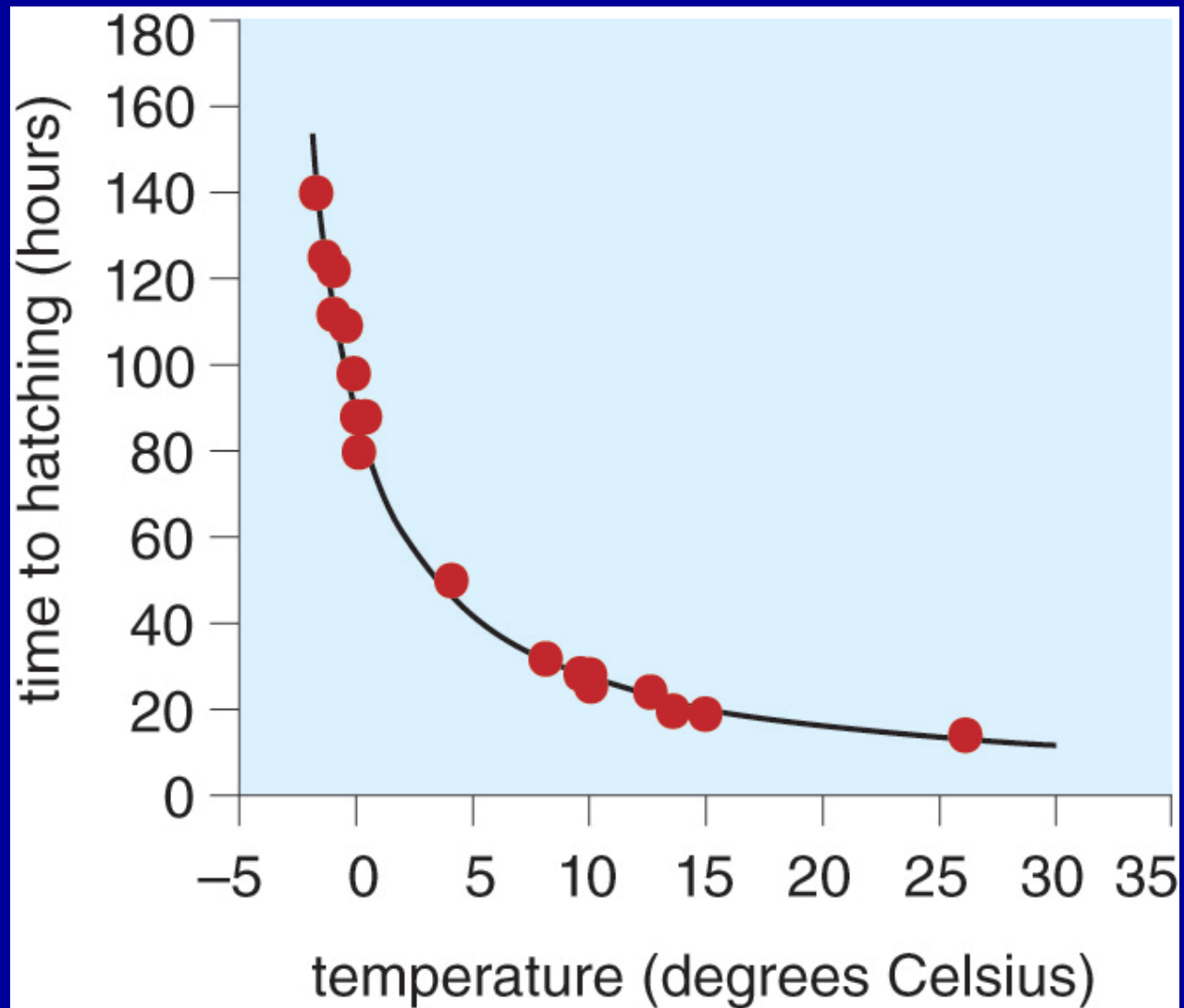
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**Increased temperature and decreased sea-ice may induce
range extensions and alter trophic interactions in
macroalgal dominated communities of the Antarctic
Peninsula**



Photo – Isidro Bosch

Antarctic marine invertebrate larvae – developmental rates highly temperature sensitive




From McClintock et al. 2008. American Scientist 96, 302-310

SPECIES RANGE EXTENSIONS



**Southern extension of Antarctic elephant
and fur seals**



Ancient and relatively isolated benthic marine fauna has selected for high endemism – lack of fish with crushing jaws or crabs with crushing claws

Shelled marine invertebrates poorly defended against crushing predators

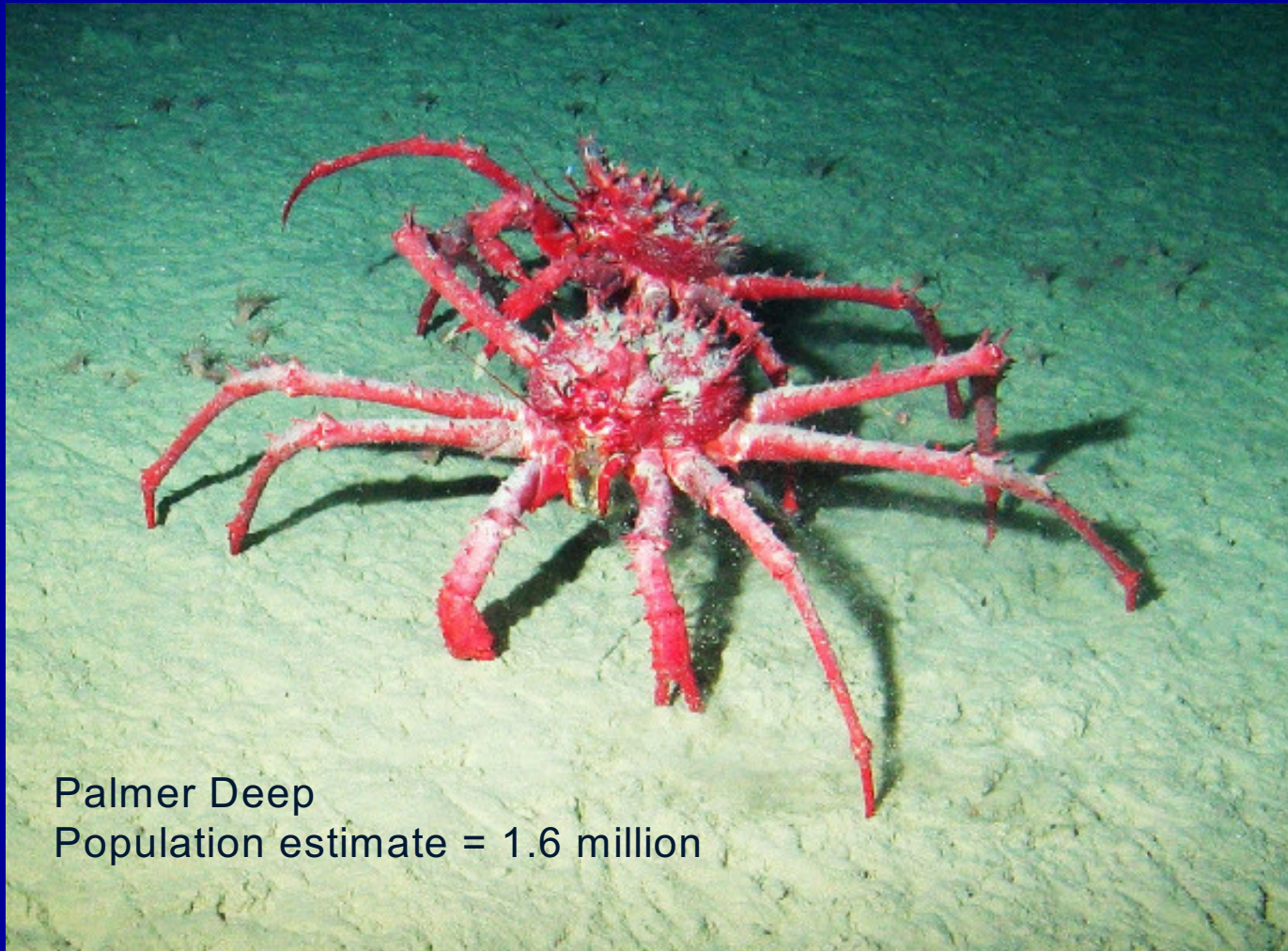
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**The lithodid king crab *Paralomis birsteinii*
Bellingshausen Sea, Antarctica (1123 m depth) Jan 25 2007**



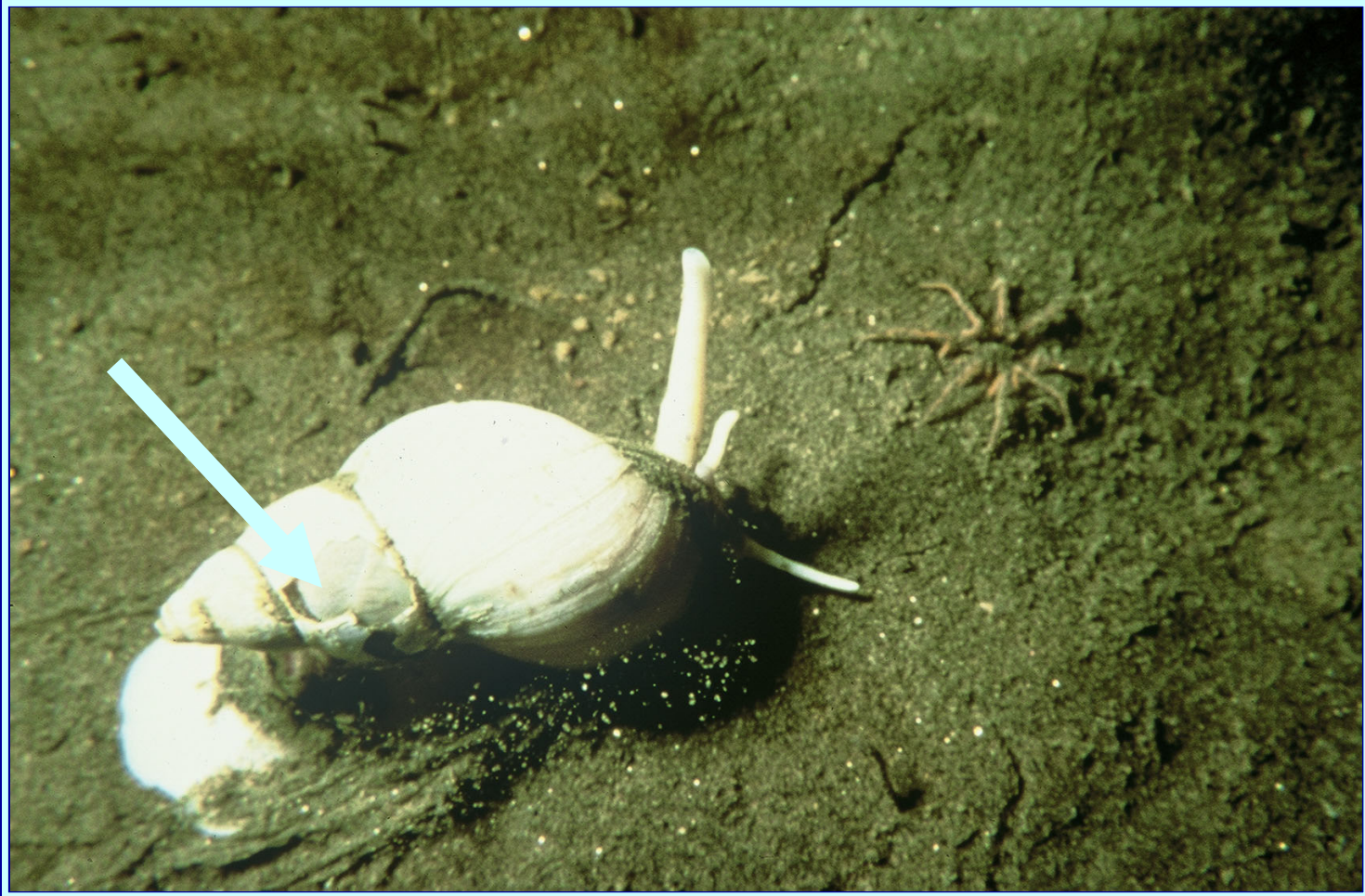
Palmer Deep
Population estimate = 1.6 million

Discovery of large population of king crabs in the
Palmer Deep - *Neolithodes yaldwyni* - (Reported in
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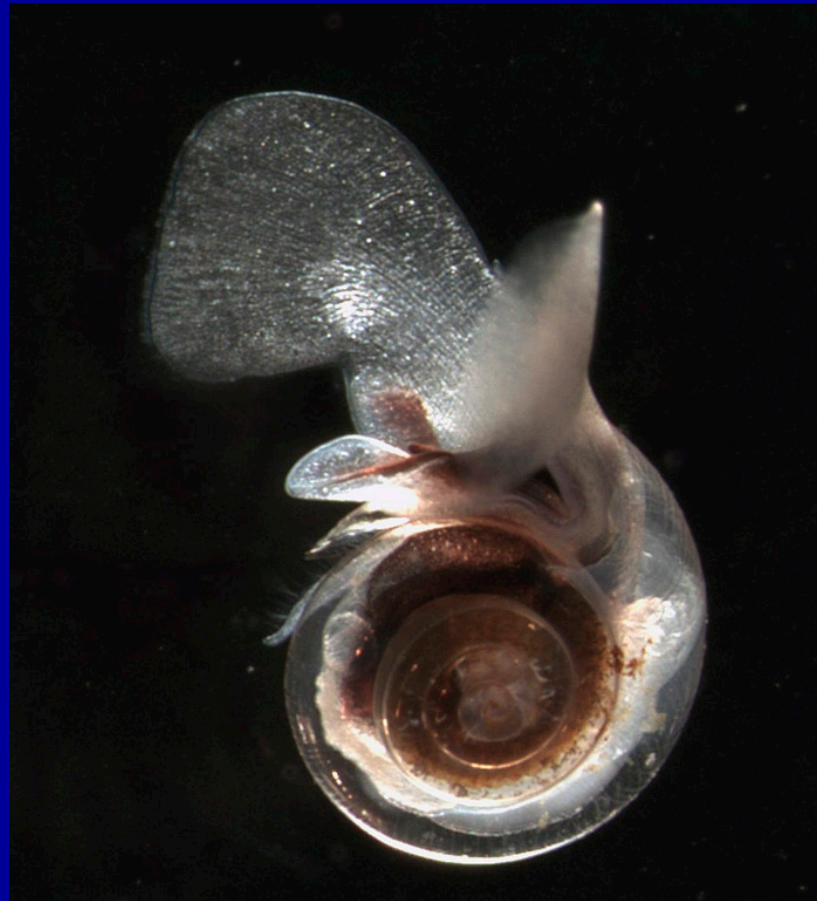


Aronson and McClintock – King crab research program – Marguerite Bay
Funded by the National Science Foundation 2010 – 2017 (PNAS 2015)

High vulnerability to Ocean Acidification



- Generally thin shells
- Southern Ocean is the greatest sink for atmospheric carbon dioxide
- Inverse relationship between decalcification and temperature
- Undersaturation of aragonite (25 yrs), calcite (50 yrs)



Limacina helicina antarctica

Ocean Acidification Research at Palmer Station, Antarctica

Team leaders – J. McClintock,
C. Amsler and R. Angus



US Palmer Station



McClintock and Janssen 1990 Nature

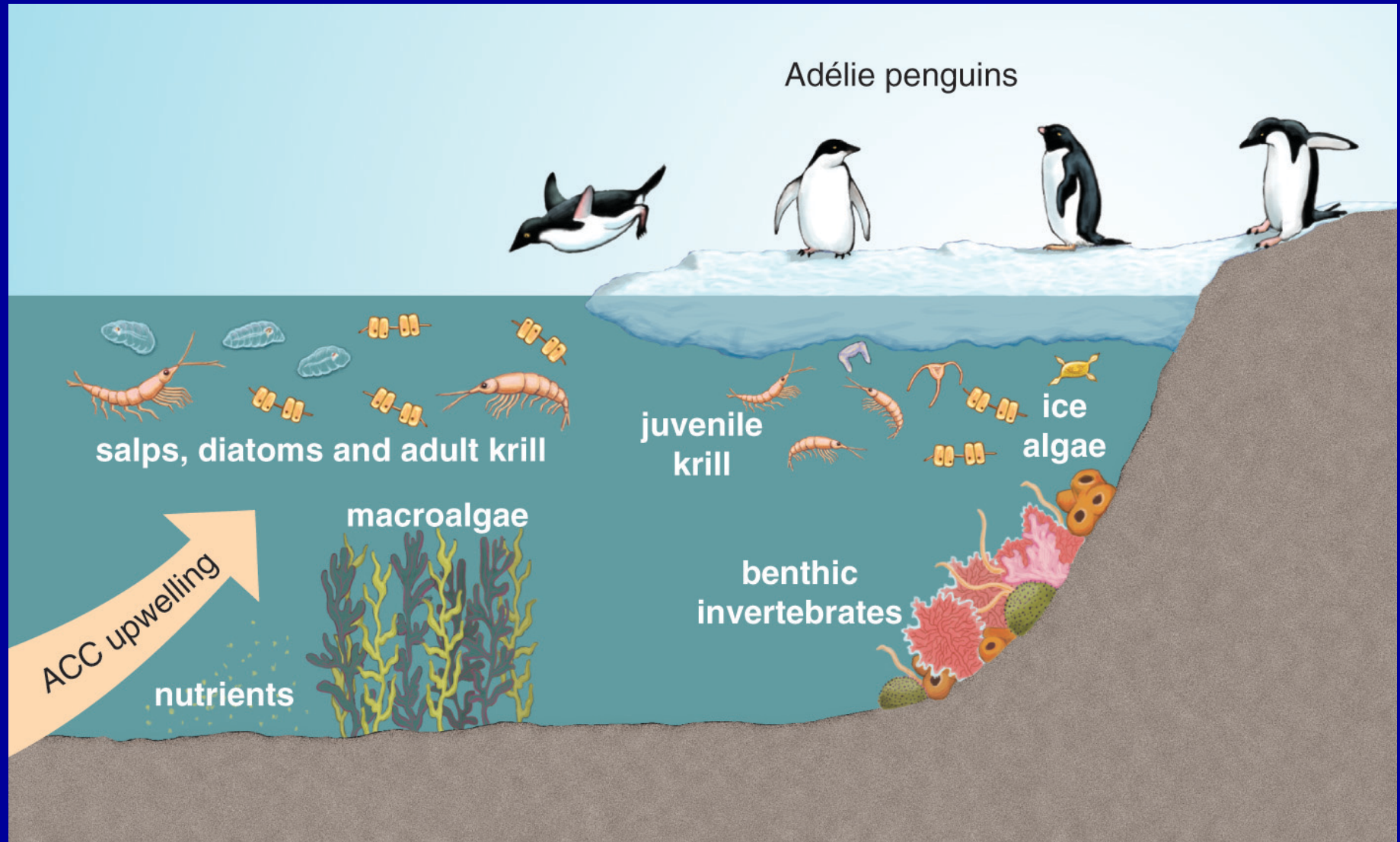


Some Antarctic amphipods suffer high mortality with near future ocean Acidification – Schram et al. 2016

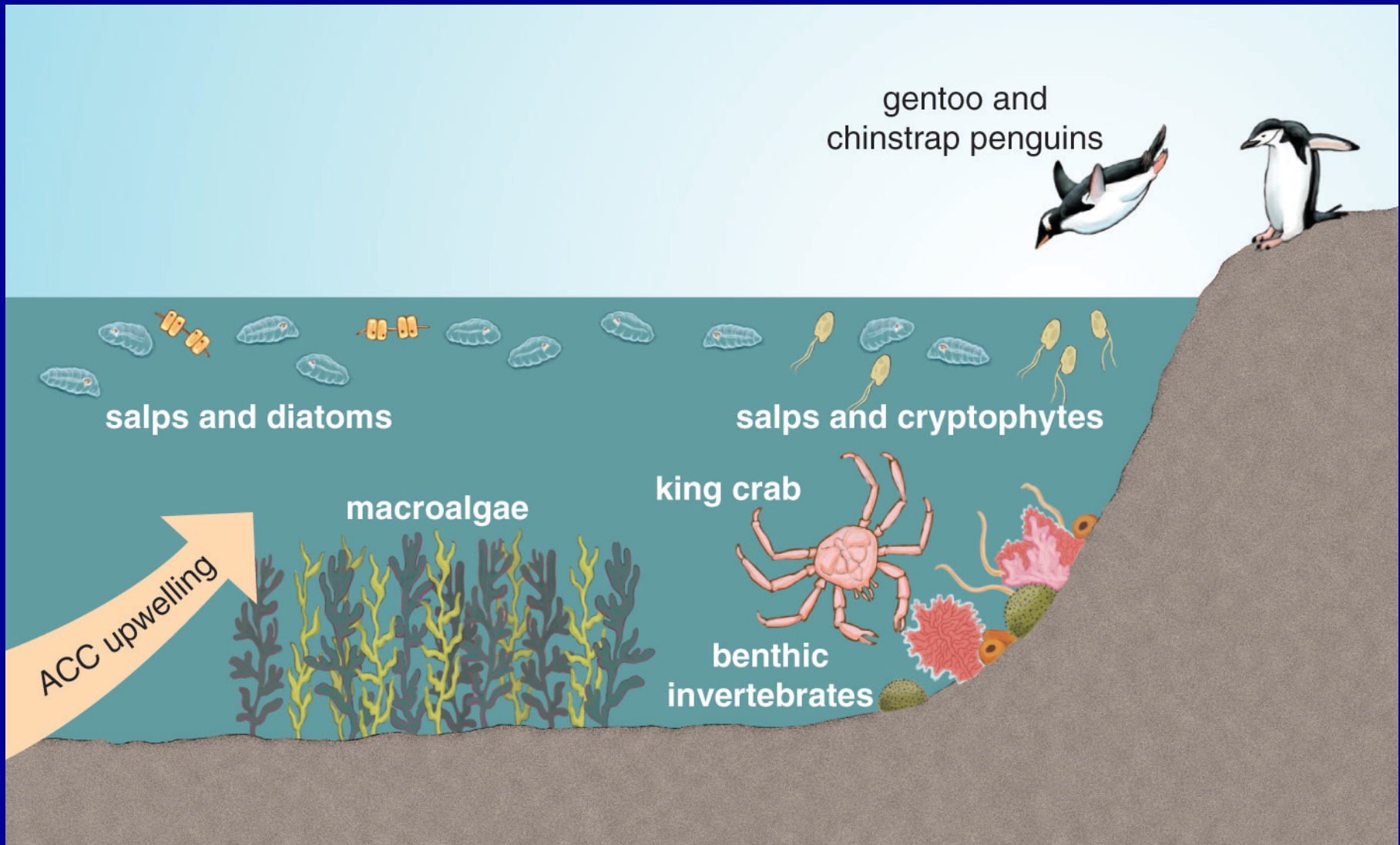
Antarctic Peninsula and Climate Change

- Marked acceleration of glacial recession
- Coastal ice sheet break-up events
- Decreased extension of annual ice pack
- Declines in populations of annual sea ice associated Adélie Penguins, Weddell seals, and krill
- Changes in phytoplankton communities
- Possible effects on macroalgal communities
- Potential temperature impacts on larval development
- Southern extension of elephant and fur seals
- Invasive predatory species – king crabs
- High vulnerability to ocean acidification

Pre Climate Warming



Post Climate Warming



Why should we care about
climate change impacting the
marine life of Antarctica?

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UAB Marine Biologists Unlock Polar Secrets to Fight Disease

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STORY HIGHLIGHTS

- Scientists from 60 countries working at Earth's polar regions
- UAB researchers at Palmer Station, Antarctica, studying marine life
- Marine life defense mechanisms may provide keys to cancer fighting drugs

By Marsha Wallon
CNN

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(CNN) -- They may not have the charisma of penguins or polar bears. But plants and animals like seaweed, sea stars and sponges may be just as important in understanding the Earth's polar regions.

During International Polar Year, (IPY) scientists from more than 60 countries are working at the far ends of the Earth, looking for clues about climate change, weather forecasting, even cures for diseases.

Researchers from the University of Alabama at Birmingham will spend February to May of this year at Palmer Station in the Antarctic. They are looking at how the defense mechanisms of marine plants and animals may provide keys to cancer fighting drugs.



Researchers from the University of Alabama at Birmingham are exploring new possibilities for cancer treatment in Antarctica.

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"Deep-sea species live close to the surface here, because the water is cold, just like the deep sea, about 28 degrees F. So that gives us scuba divers access to animals that we would need a submersible to withstand the depths further north. Many of the animals that live in the seabed here are also unusually large, which is a consequence of their slow growth induced by infrequent food availability." Dr. Kathleen Conlan

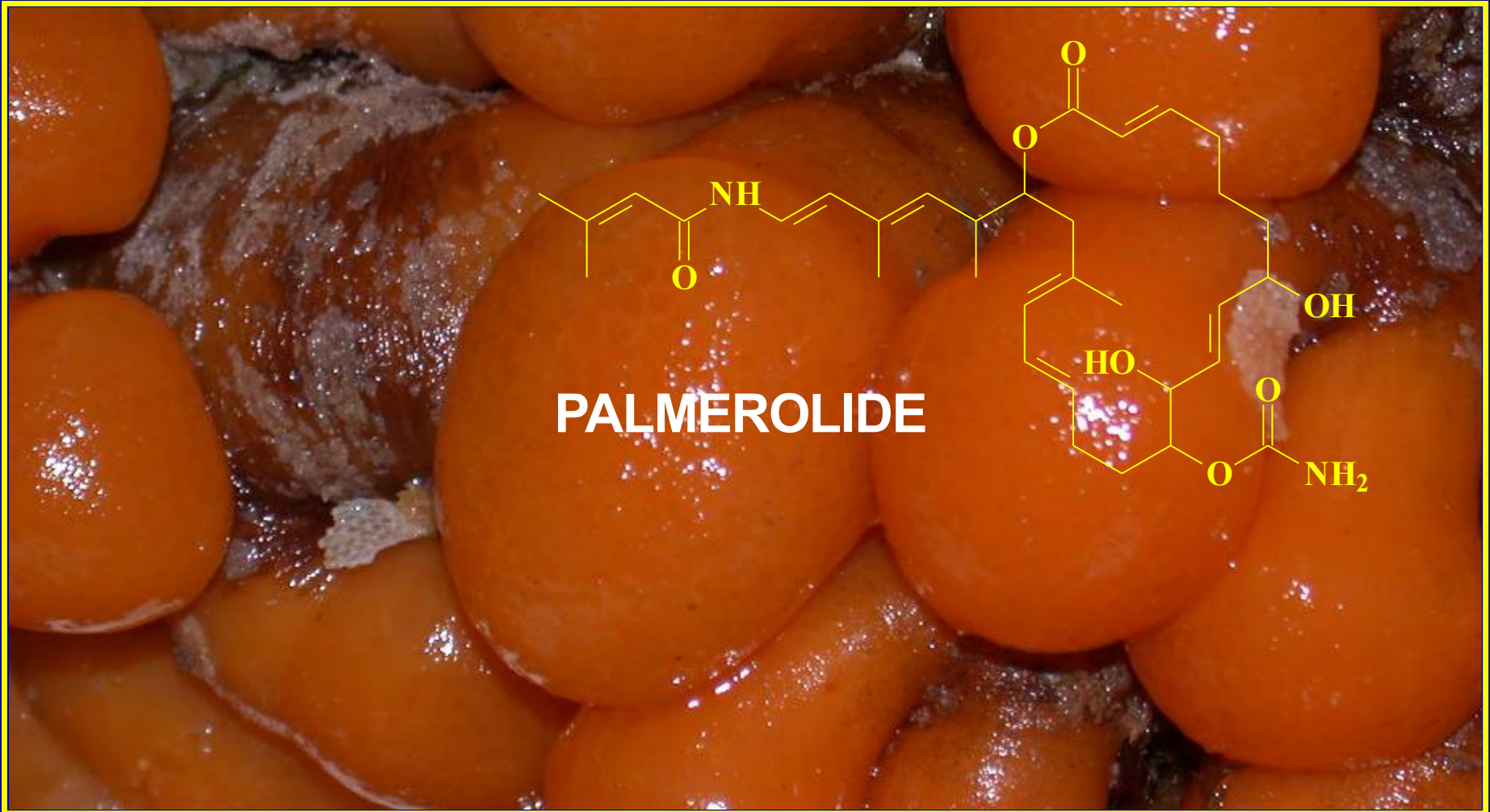
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McMurdo Sound, Antarctica



Palmer Station, Antarctic Peninsula



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A Protein with Strong Anti-Influenza Activity from the Marine Red Alga *Gigartina skottsbergii*



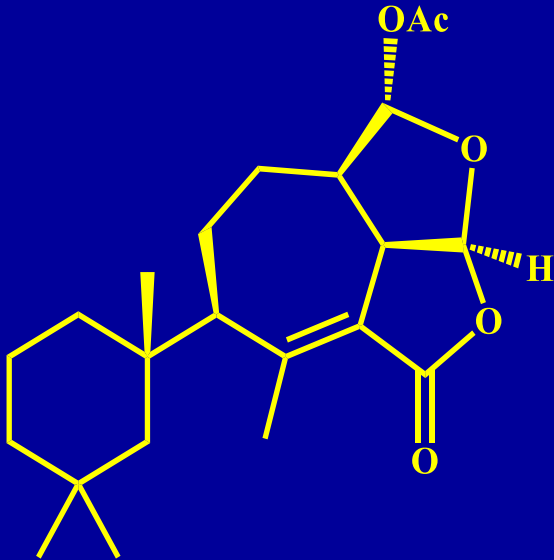
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Activity against MRSA biofilm



Methicillin Resistant

Staphylococcus aureus: 135 μ M

= relatively low activity (aqueous form)

MRSA biofilm: 35 μ M (enticing activity)

Mammalian cytotoxicity SI: > 60 =
low toxicity



Dendrilla membranosa

Biofilm = protective film of polysaccharides, proteins, mucus, etc. (similar issue in bacteria that cause cystic fibrosis)

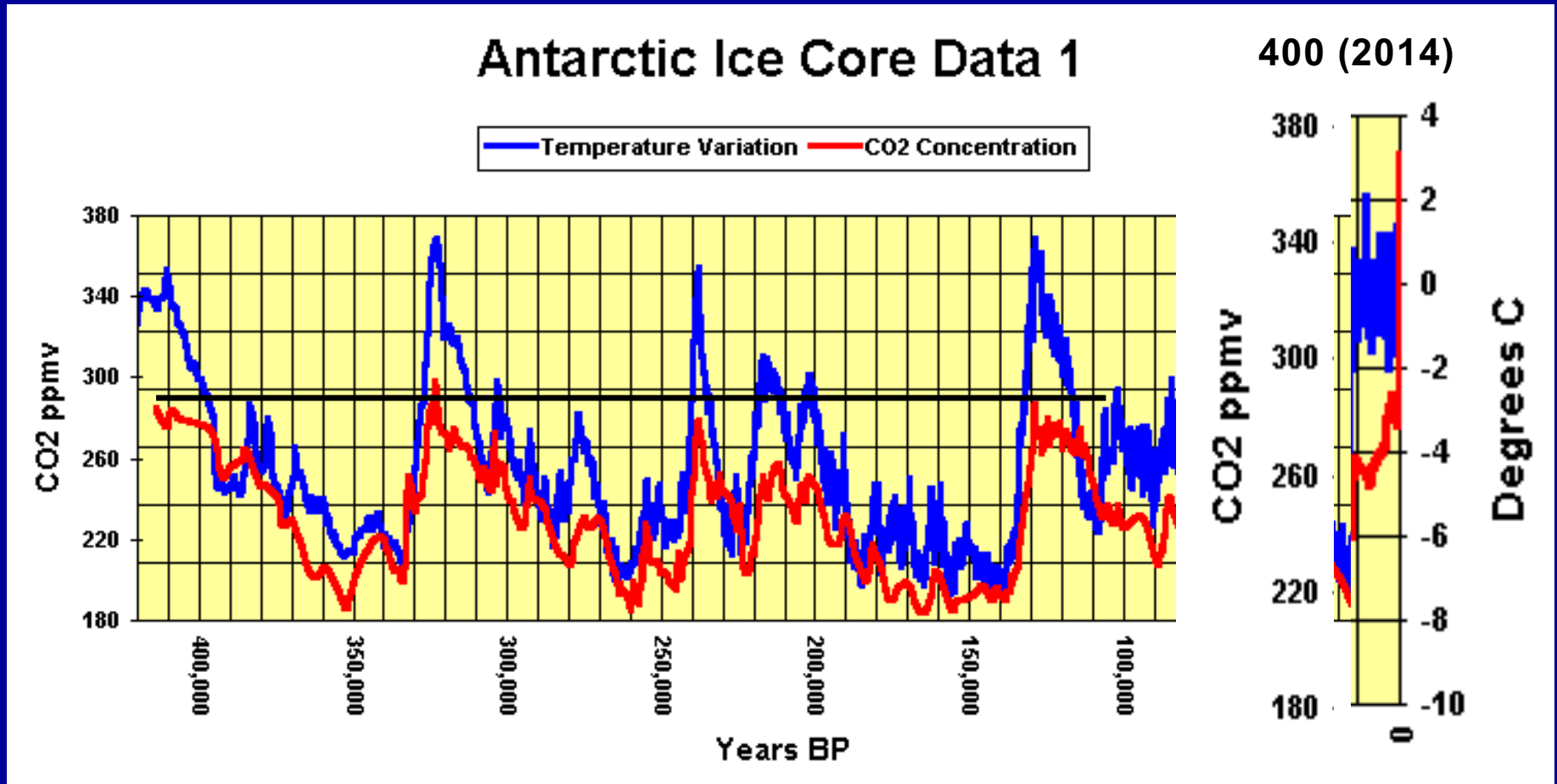
Von Salm et al., *Org. Lett.* **2016**, *18*, 2596

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Historic CO₂ concentrations and temperature variations based on Vostok ice core samples

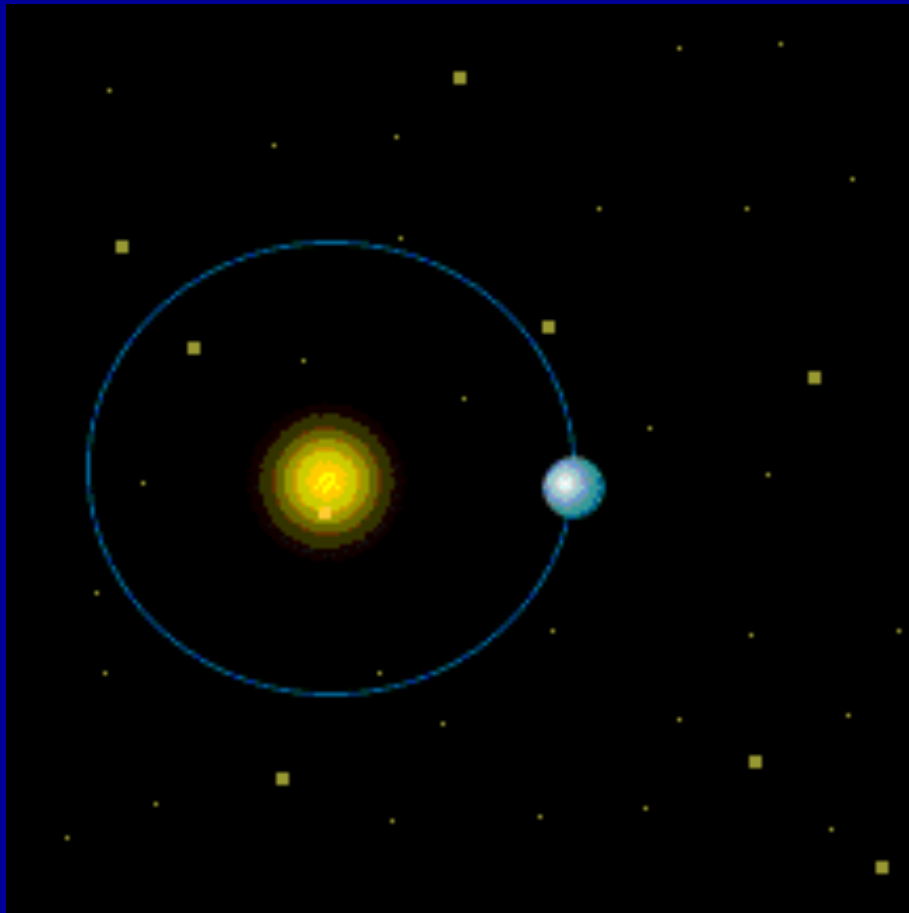
25% ↑
in CO₂



From Petit et al. 1999. Nature.

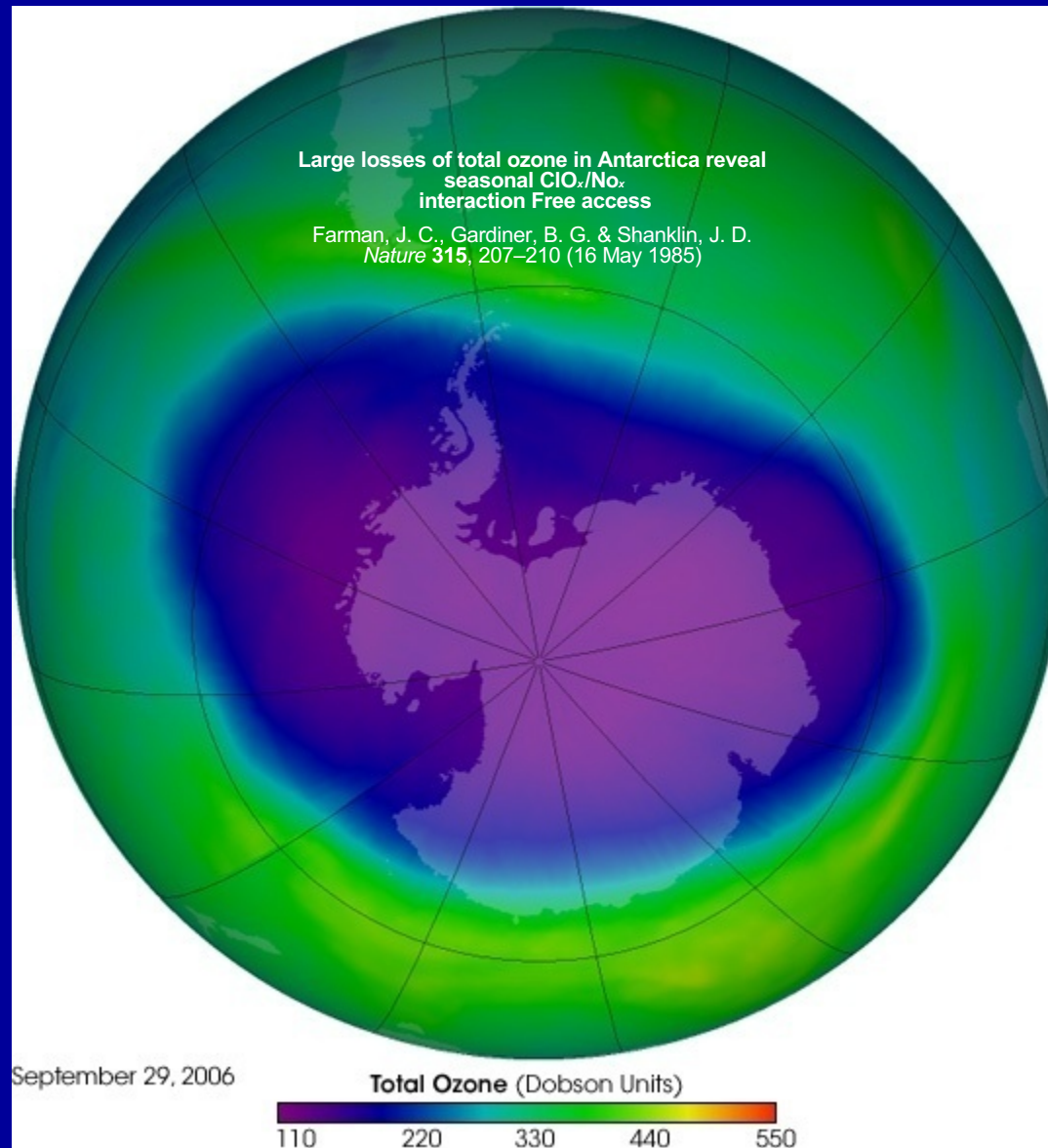
Ice core depth = 3600 m

“Business as usual” prediction – 750 ppm by end of century



Milankovitch cycle

Stratospheric ozone hole over Antarctica: A model for hope?



Ozone reduction facilitated by ice crystals in atmosphere providing reaction surfaces for ozone depleting chemicals

Ban on chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs)

Stabilized - expect eventual closing of hole by centuries end





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Narrates *Lost Antarctica*
Video – *Ghost Rookeries*





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Ghost Rookeries

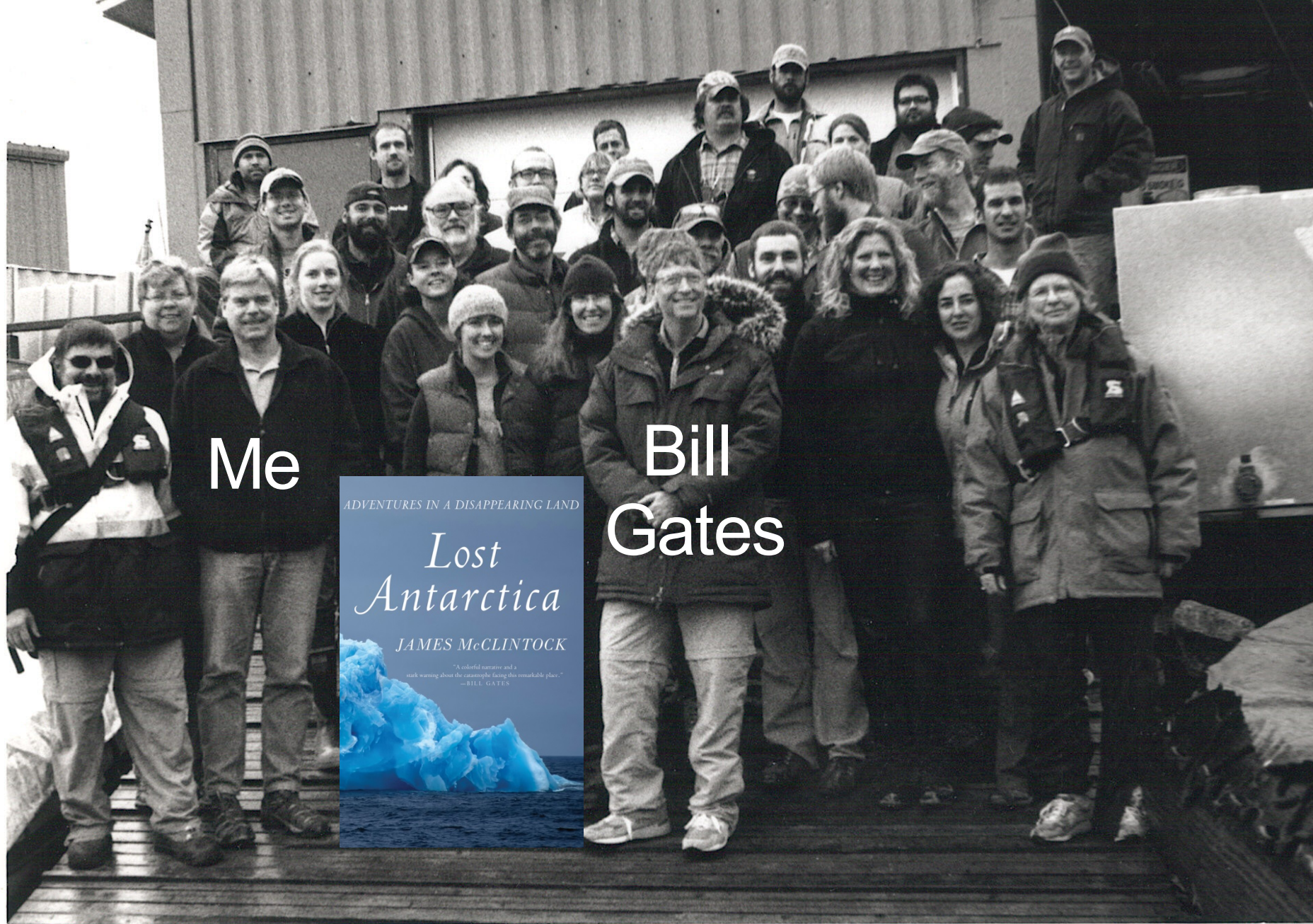
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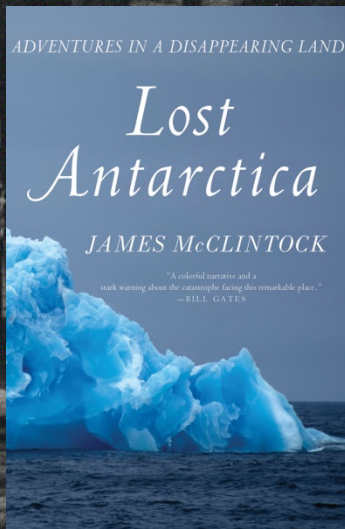
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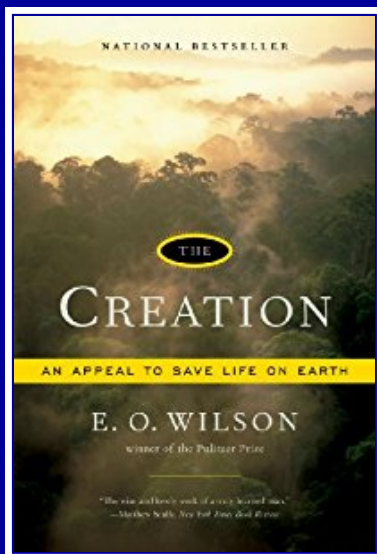
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Communicating Climate Change

Expedition Cruise to Antarctica

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Vote – call, write, talk to your elected officials

Insulate your business or house

Turn off power

Smart consumption (avoid items heavily packaged)

Adjust the temperature of your thermostat

Change driving habits

Plant a tree

Conserve water

Recycle

Change a light bulb

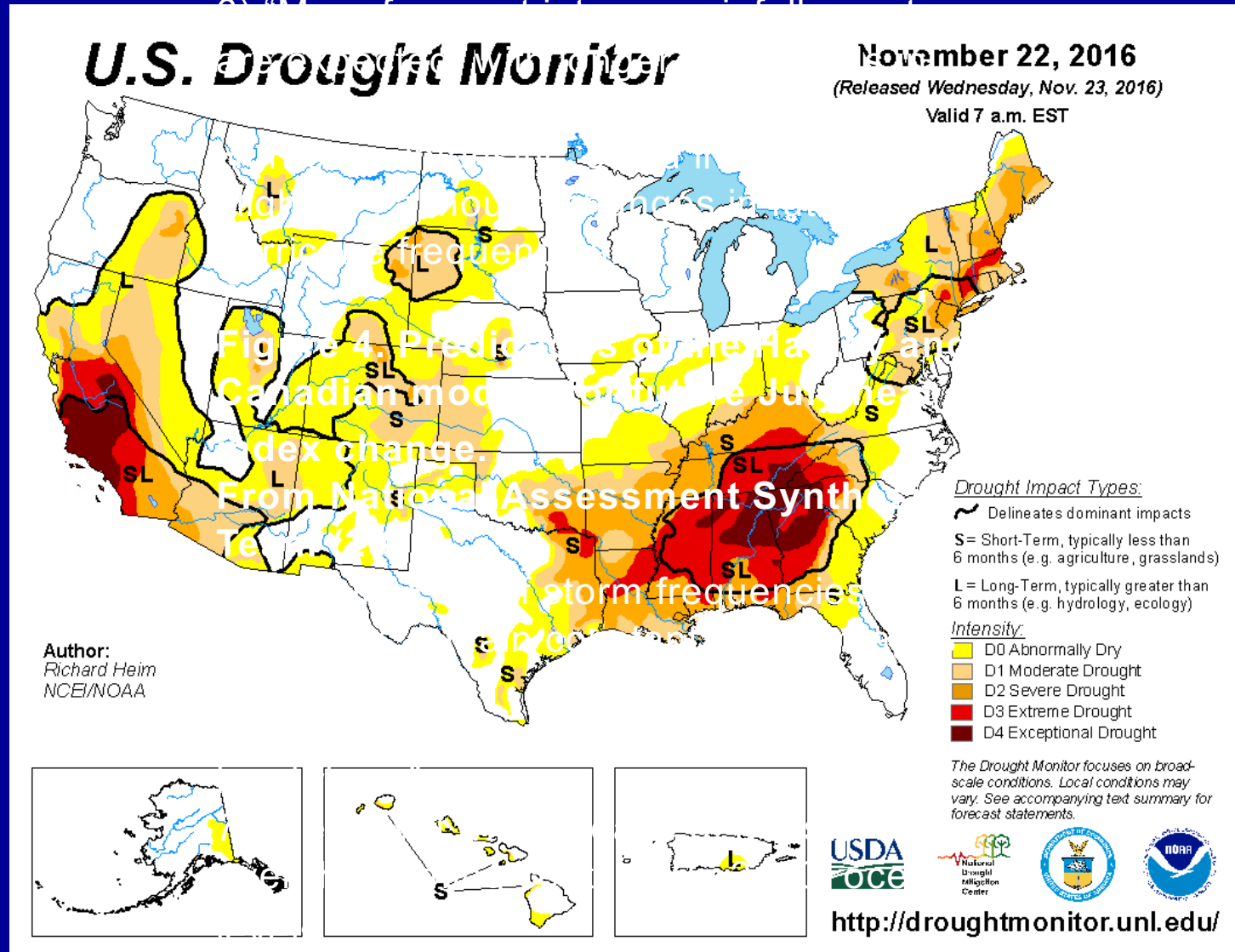
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Predictions for Climate Change Impacts in Alabama

(cited in 2007 report by Larry Davenport, Department of Biology, Samford University based on information from the Union of Concerned Scientists)

- 1) A 3-10°F [1.6-5.5°C] rise in winter low temperatures and a 3-7°F [1.6-3.8°C] rise in summer highs.
- 2) The July heat index could rise by 10-25°F in Alabama--a major jump in the temperature actually felt.
- 3) The freeze line will move north.
- 4) Rainfall will decrease in the immediate coastal region.
- 5) Summer soil moisture will either increase or decrease in the northern parts of the state, depending on the model utilized. The same is true for upland areas.
- 6) More frequent intense rainfall events are expected, with longer dry periods in between. Hurricanes may become more intense.
- 7) Sea level will increase at a faster rate over the coming century. By 2100, ocean levels around Alabama could be 15 inches [38 cm] higher than today, based on a continued average subsidence rate of 2 inches per century and a mid-range sea-level rise scenario.

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Adam Vines
Chinese Antarctic Station

YouTube Video of This Presentation

Google search:

YouTube McClintock “From
Penguins to Plankton”

Antarctic Research Stations

Planning, Construction and Architectural Issues

- Energy Efficiency (high cost)
- High wind (structure stability)
- Low temperatures (insulation)
- Fire risk (redundancy issues)





McMurdo Station, Antarctica



McMurdo Station, Antarctica



McMurdo Station – Resupply







Palmer Station, Antarctic Peninsula





Hero Inlet

Palmer Station, Antarctic Peninsula

Pier

Bonhouse

Bio Lab

Shop

Fuel Tanks

GWR
Building



Former U.S. South Pole Station



New U.S. South Pole Station



New Station with heat
absorbing panels.

black box is heavy shop
blue box is logistics/fuel
red box is power plant

New U.S. South Pole Station

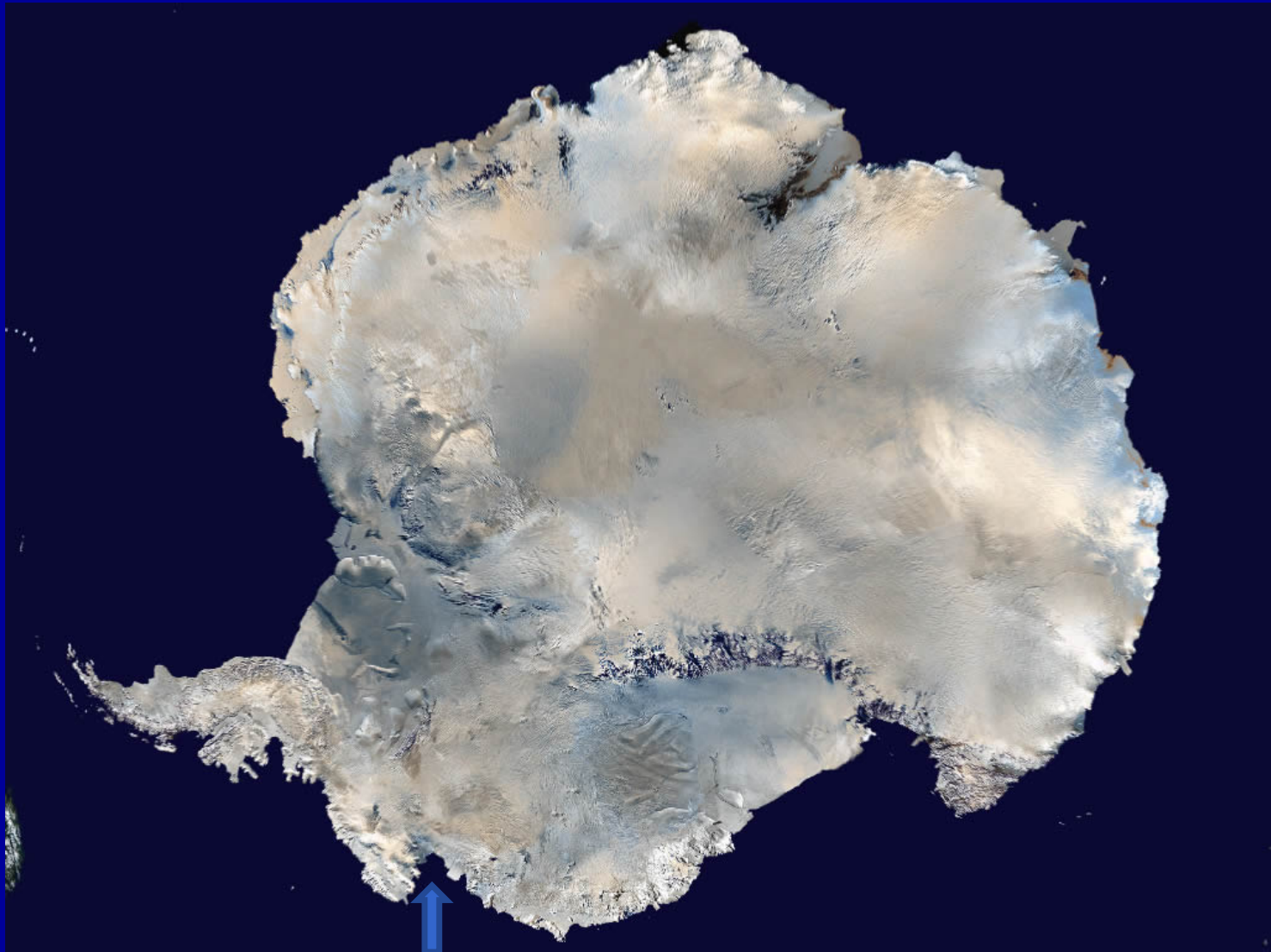
Casting in Fragile Waters from the Gulf of Mexico
to New Zealand's South Islands

A
NATURALIST
GOES FISHING

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Pine Island Glacier – Major ice stream that drains
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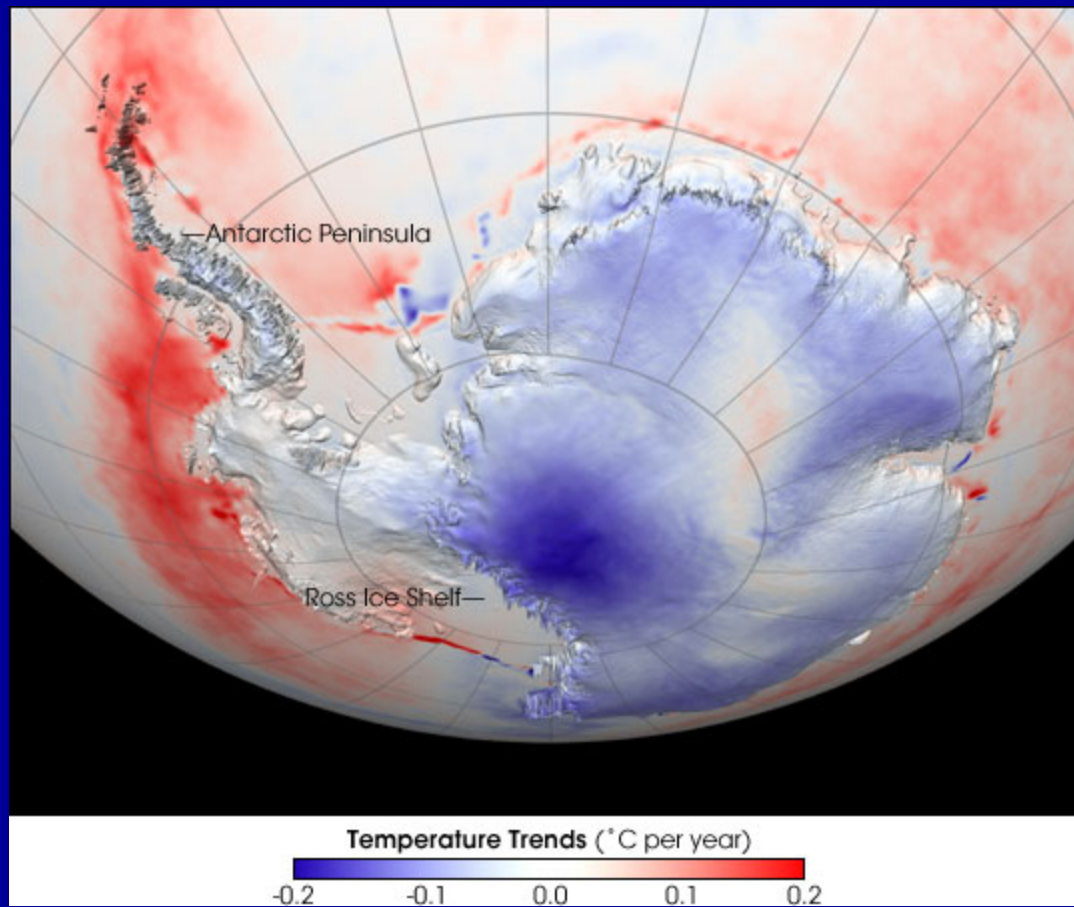
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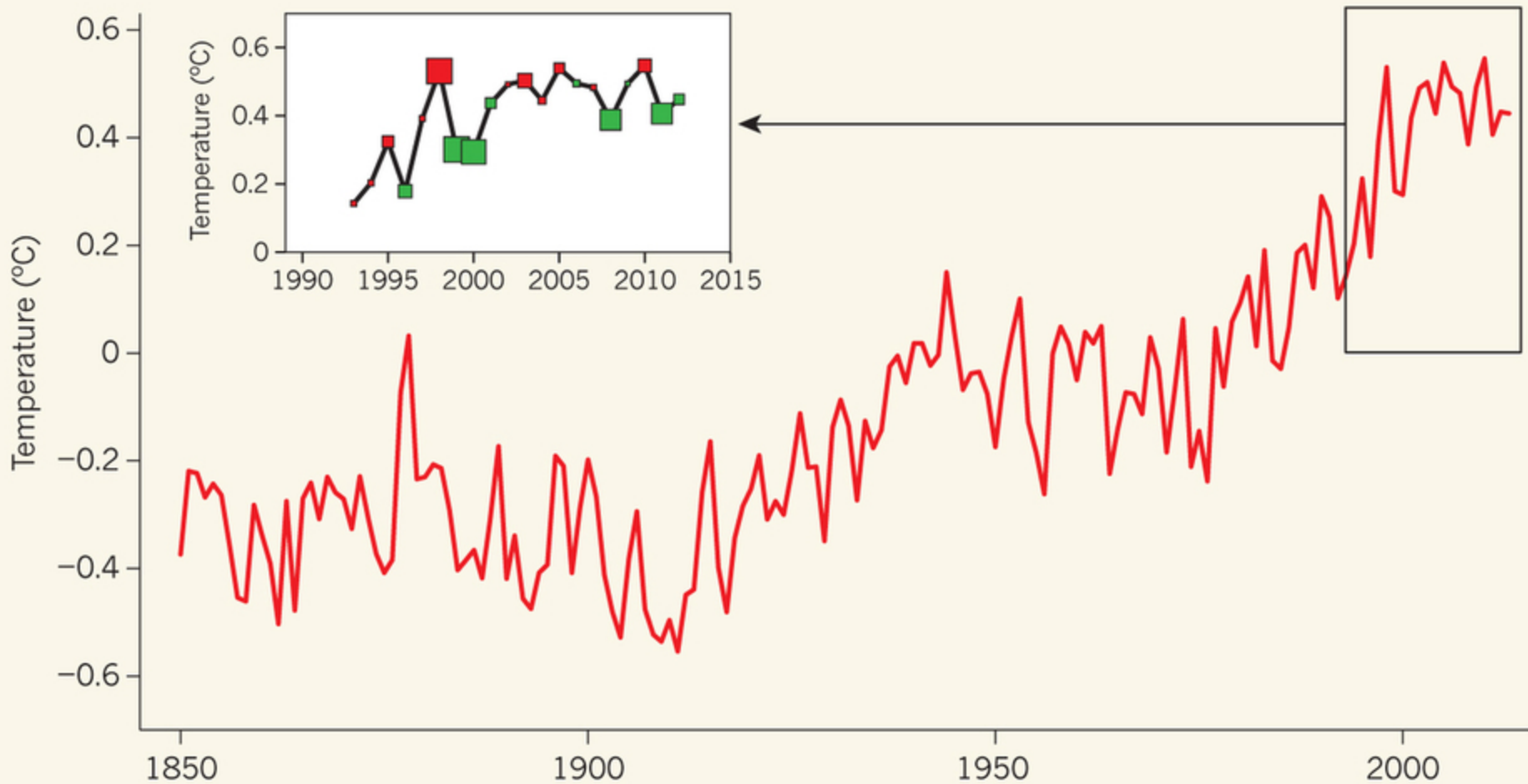
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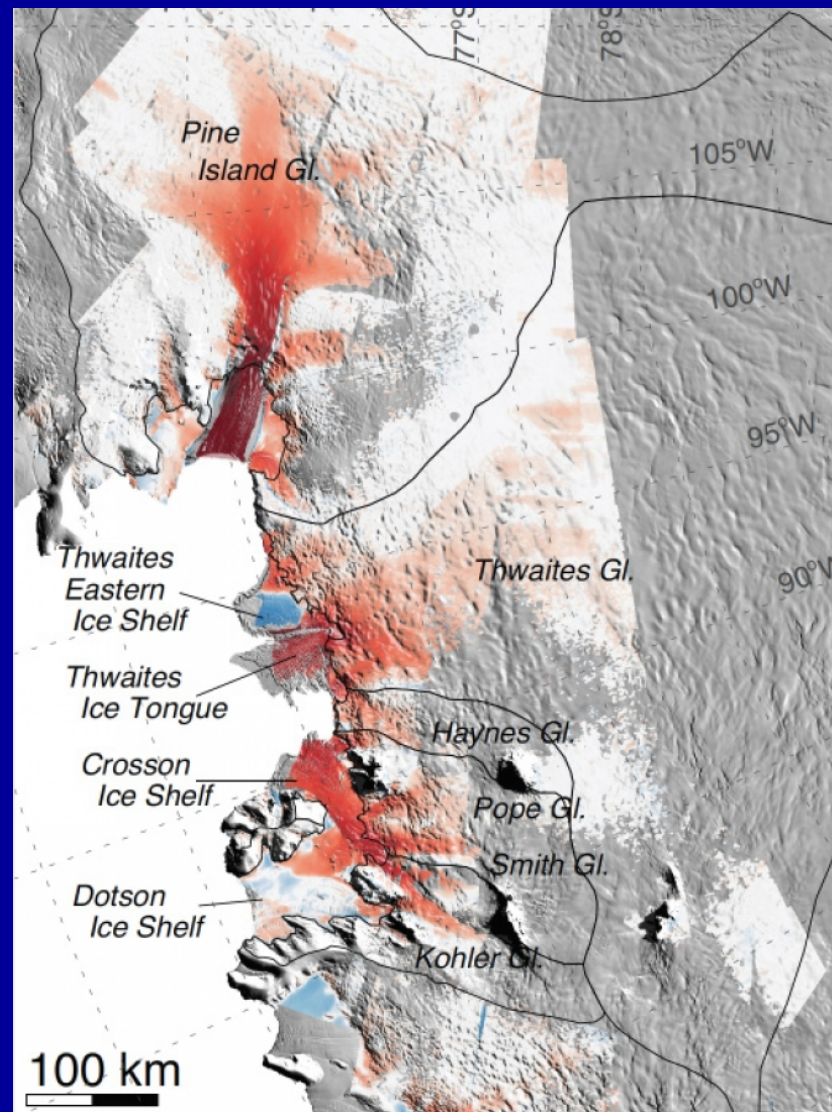




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A new 2014 study by researchers at NASA and the University of California, Irvine, finds a rapidly melting section of the West

The glaciers studied by Rignot's research team. Red indicates areas where flow speeds have increased over the past 40 years. The darker the color, the greater the

Huge technological challenges posed by climate change

Critical need for innovation in all the sciences

- Alternative fuels
- Solar energy
- Wind energy
- Fusion research
- Energy conservation
- Materials Science – lighter stronger materials
- Medical research and care to cope with spread of diseases
- Engineering to better protect against severe weather events and sea level rise
- Etc.Etc.Etc.

Now a decade after my first visit to the abandoned station site, I clamber up and over the boulders, dodge the dive-bombing Skuas, and take a circuitous route around several fur seals. A short climb takes me to the summit of Amsler Island. Below me, a small island called Elephant Rocks bustles with a breeding colony of barking elephant seals, the product of a range extension from the warmer subantarctic. Torgerson Island, which is also within earshot, is oddly quiet, its former Adélie colonies in large part permanently abandoned. To the west, the tongue of the Marr Glacier that had so recently extended seaward, covering Amsler Island, has dissipated, its final vestiges melting rapidly to reveal dirt and rock. As I descend from the summit, I pause to gaze into the distance at the cluster of deep-blue, tan-roofed buildings that make up Palmer Station. What sort of a world, I wonder, will future generations of Antarctic scientists find when they come to this remarkable place? And when they gaze over this landscape, will they be reminded how this place, this peninsula, these ecosystems, served as a wake-up call to jump-start the technological, societal, and political paths to a sustainable planet?

Lost Antarctica

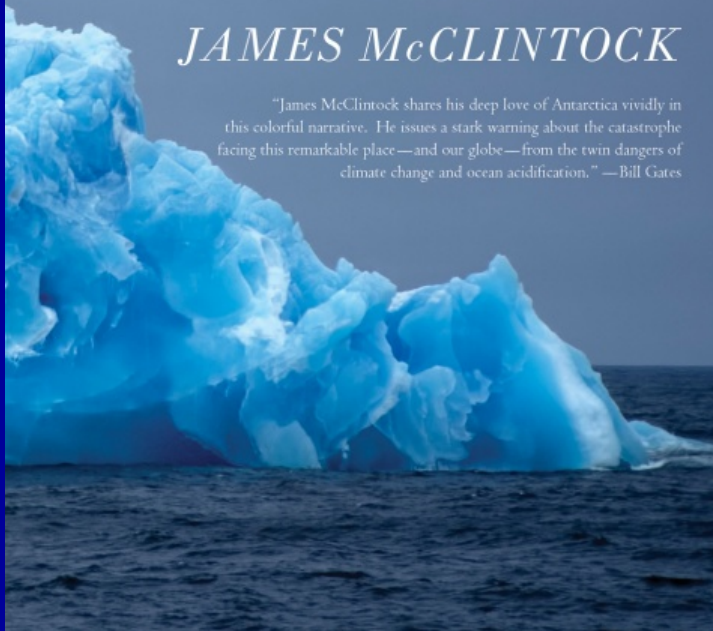


ADVENTURES IN A DISAPPEARING LAND

Lost Antarctica

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"James McClintock shares his deep love of Antarctica vividly in this colorful narrative. He issues a stark warning about the catastrophe facing this remarkable place—and our globe—from the twin dangers of climate change and ocean acidification." —Bill Gates



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**Abercrombie and Kent – UAB Antarctica Cruise
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Nesting Adélie penguins buried in snow suffer high egg mortality

Nov 19, 2001 storm event



Photos – Heidi Geisz





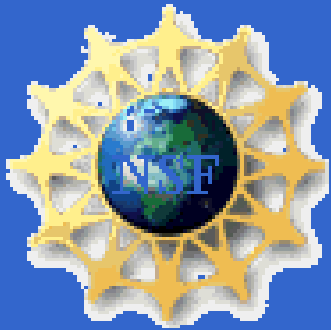


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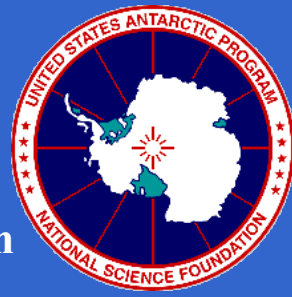








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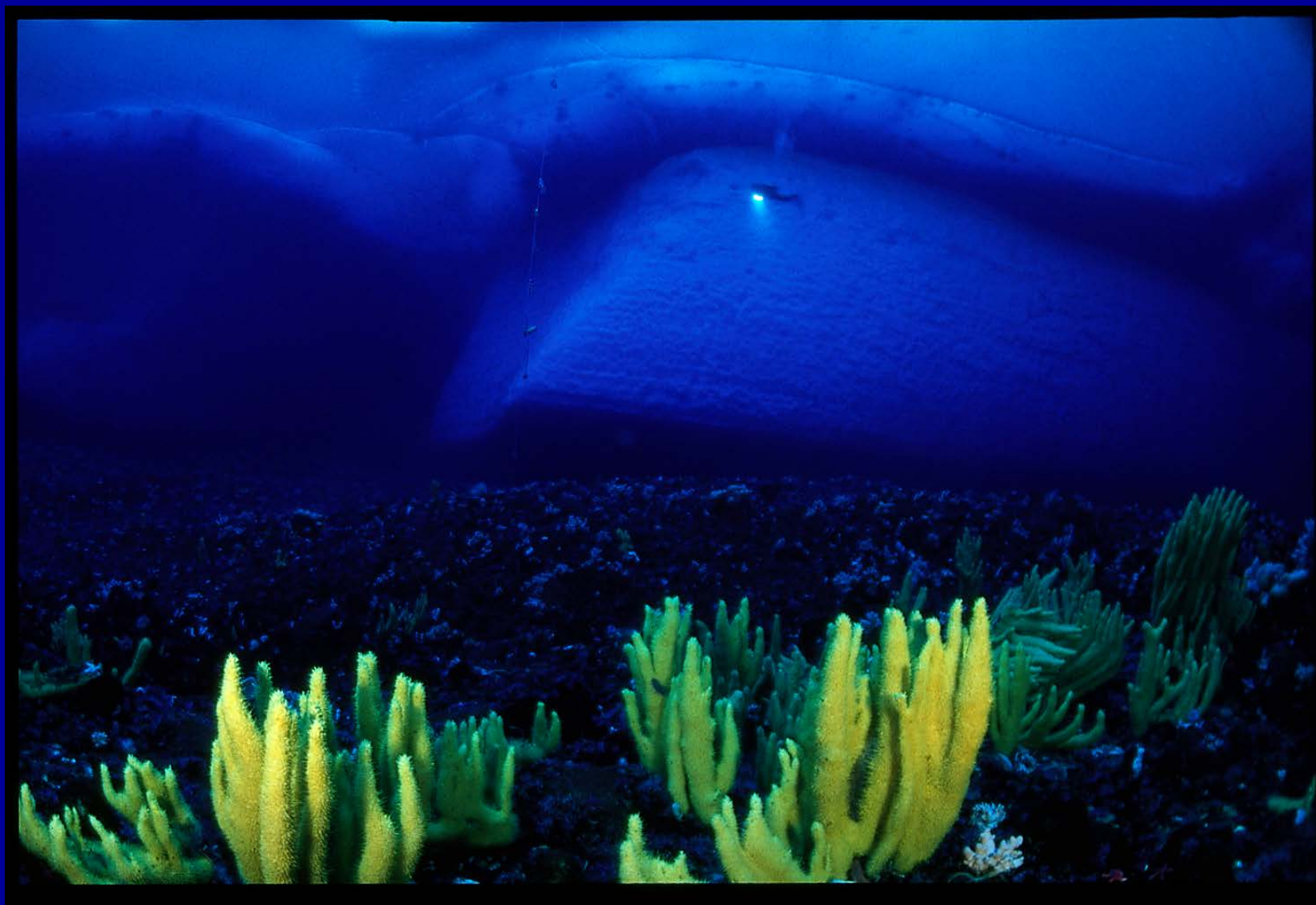
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Preparing to dive below the sea ice

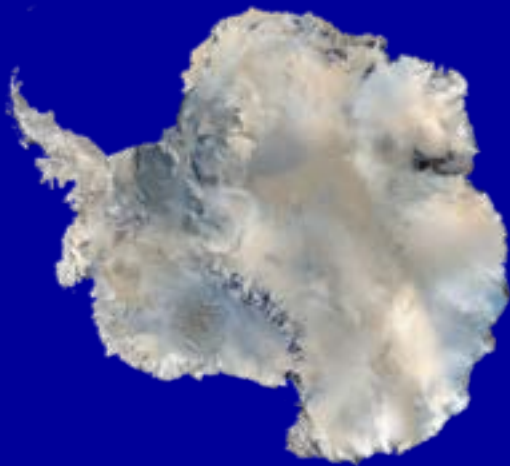






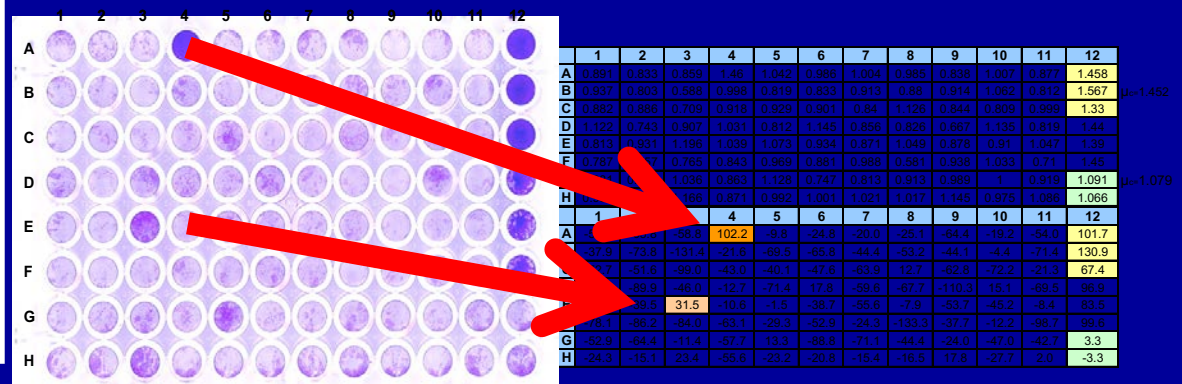
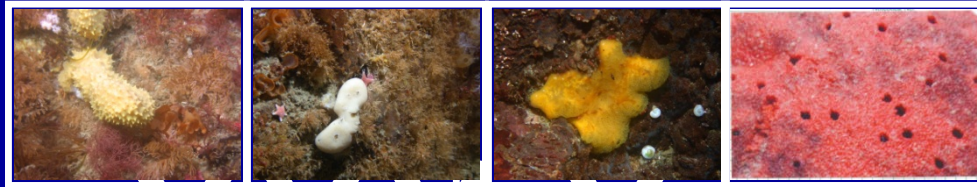
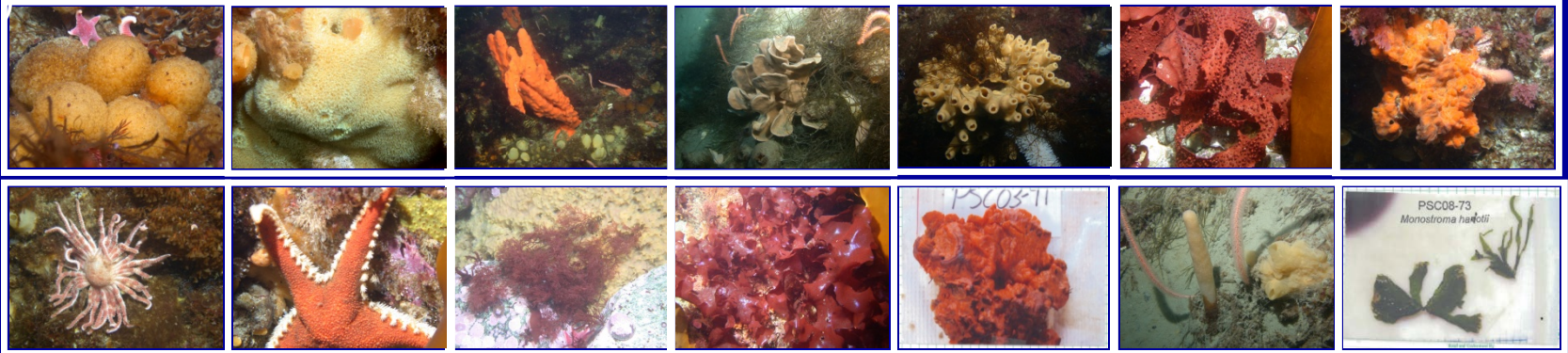
Summary

- A protein with strong anti-influenza activity from the marine red alga *Gigartina skottsbergii*
- Active towards Wyoming H3N2 and influenza A(H1N1) virus
- Different mechanism of action from control drugs
- Combination drug assays imply a synergistic effect with the active fraction and control drugs Zanamivir and Ribavirin



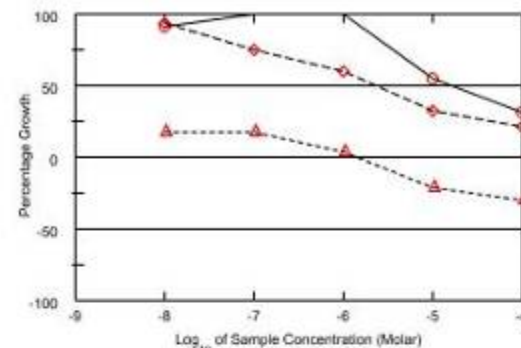
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- Only one extract from hundreds showed protection as evaluated by Cytopathic Effect (CPE)
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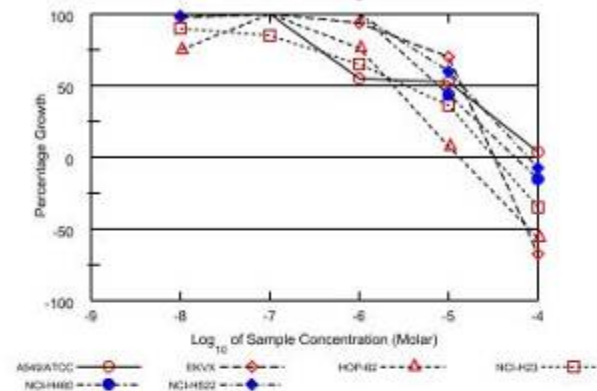


- The crude extract in position A4 (*G. Skottsbergii*) was determined to protect against influenza, while the extract in position E3 partially protected.
- Healthy cells stain purple. Lane 12 contains experiment controls.

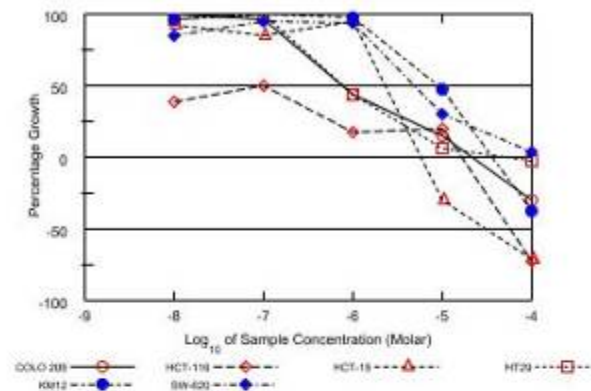
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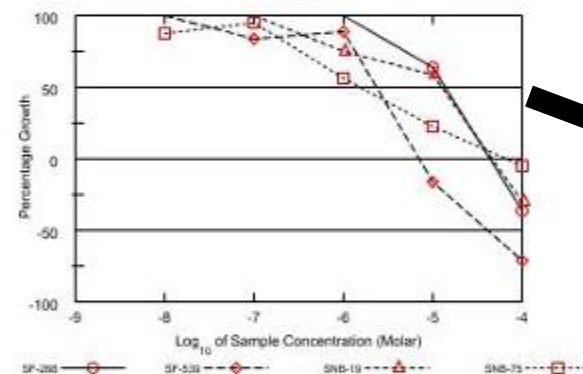
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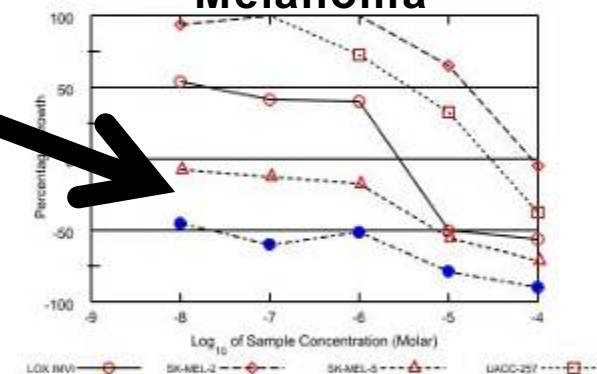
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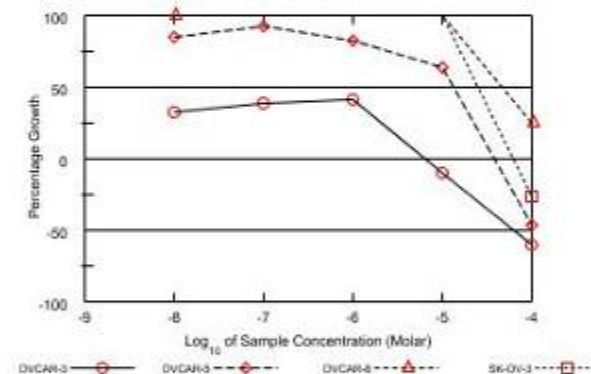
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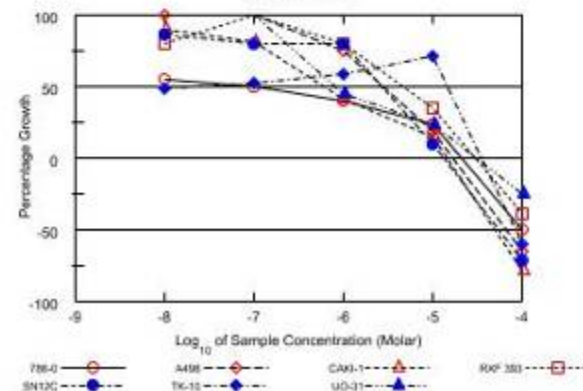
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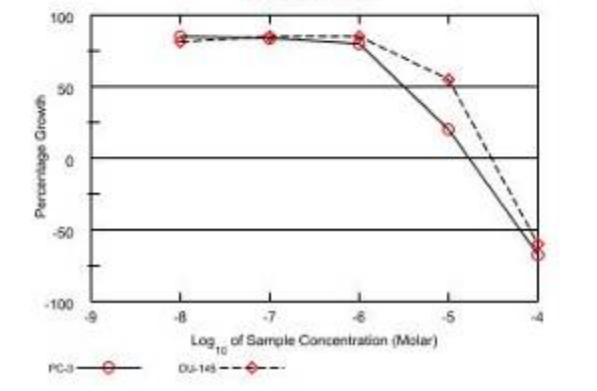
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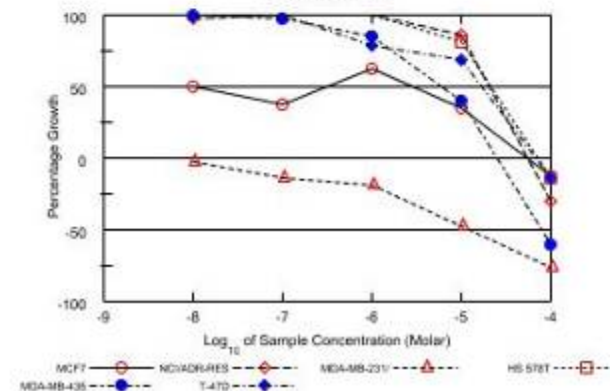
Renal Cancer



Prostate Cancer



Breast Cancer



A&K Climate Change Challenge Philanthropic Cruise Gift for Palmer Station Scientists

State-of-the-art automated computerized carbon dioxide delivery system - \$12,000

Allows for around-the-clock regulation of seawater acidity in over 100 tanks simultaneously



Add cartoon of ocean
acidification here

Ecologically dominant macroalgae are chemically defended



**35 species of fleshy macroalgae tested
in feeding bioassays**

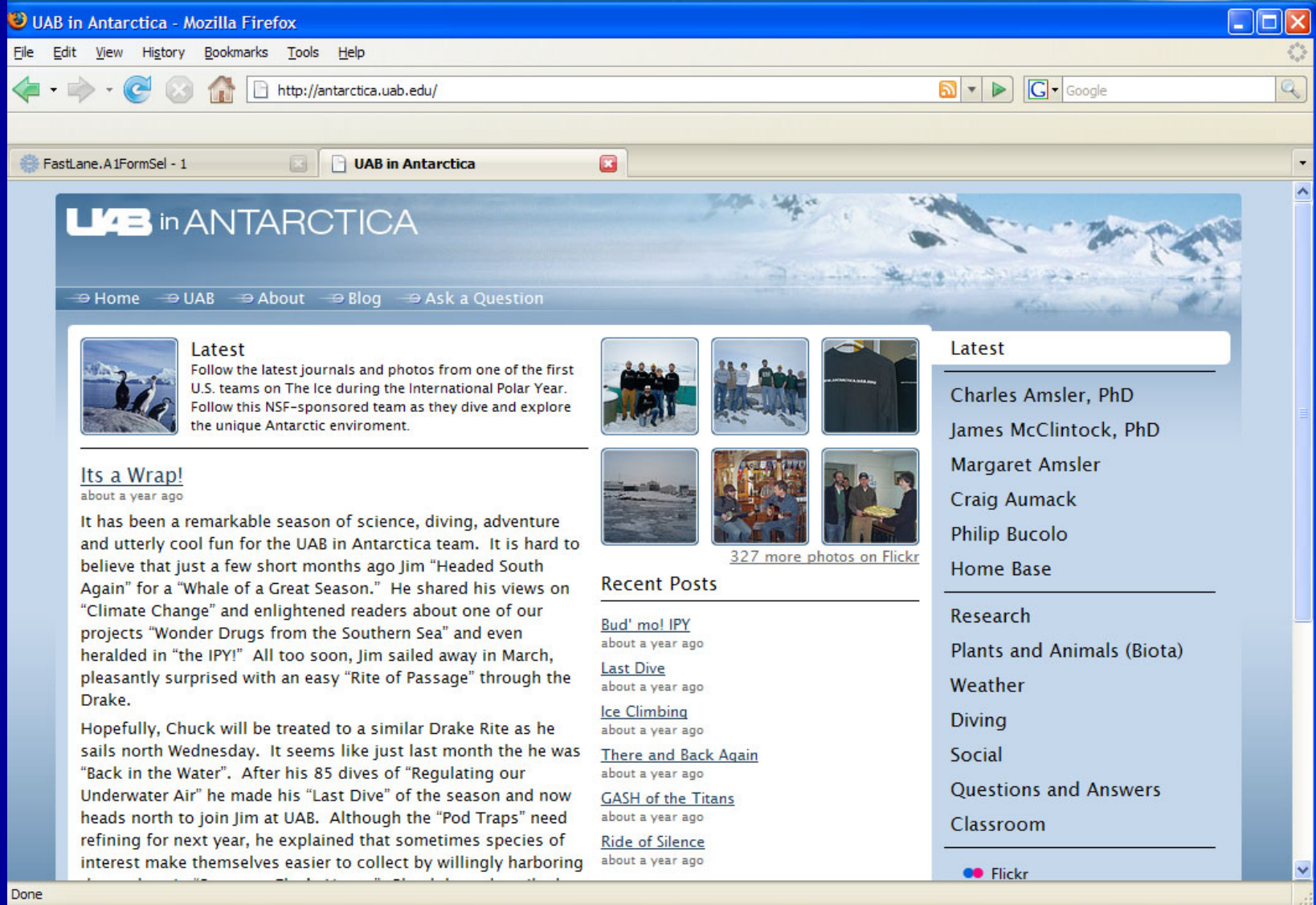
US Palmer Station



March 2008 Wilkins Ice Shelf Collapse



Seven times the size of Manhattan



Antarctica.uab.edu

Two-time national CASE award winning web site



Classroom

This area is for K-12 teachers, students, and parents to participate and learn about Antarctica and the International Polar Year (March 2007-2009). Ask the UAB team questions and participate in classroom projects.

Our Trip to the Ice

about a year ago

"Can we go on a field trip to Antarctica?" my eager second graders asked. While they really knew that was not a possibility, I think they were secretly wishing I could be a teacher like Ms. Frizzle in the lively [Magic School Bus](#) series. Ms. Frizzle can turn a school bus into a submarine or a spaceship with the flip of a switch or the push of a button. Since I was not likely to acquire these extraordinary skills anytime soon, I had to find another way to direct my students' enthusiasm and turn it into a learning adventure they would enjoy.

I began with a classroom standard, a KWL chart. On the KWL chart, students first listed what they **knew** (K) about Antarctica. Next, they listed questions they **wanted** (W) answered. Eventually, they would list what they **learned** (L) on the last part of the chart. The students asked some very good questions. Where do icebergs come from? What do blue whales eat in the waters surrounding Antarctica? How tall are emperor penguins? How did Shackleton and his men survive being trapped in ice? Why don't fish freeze in the cold waters? What's on the ocean floor? These were just a few of the questions they listed.

Each student ...

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Jamie's Antarctic Journal - Mozilla Firefox

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JAMIE'S ANTARCTIC JOURNAL



Jamie, a middle school student from Birmingham, Alabama had an extraordinary opportunity to sail to the great white, frozen continent of Antarctica! Her voyage brought her face to face with whales enroute to the Falklands, gale force winds in the Drake Passage, islands covered with penguins, enormous icebergs and much more. History, geology, and the marine biology of Antarctica – all are part of this exciting trip to one of the remotest places on earth. Each day of the voyage, Jamie shared her journal entry with her classmates back in Alabama and does so now with you. Please join her for this virtual Antarctic adventure recounted in:

Jamie's Antarctic Journal which starts here....

Jamie's Voyage



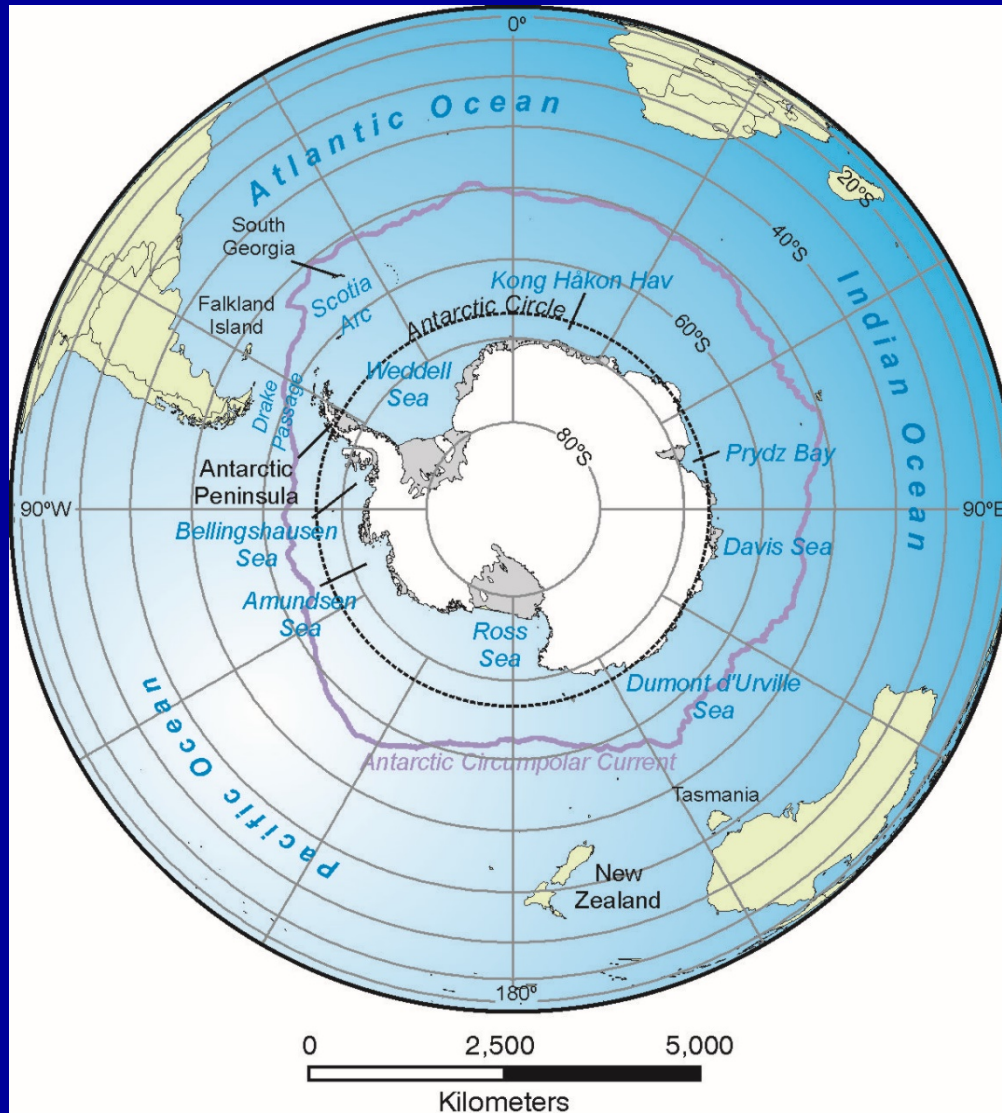
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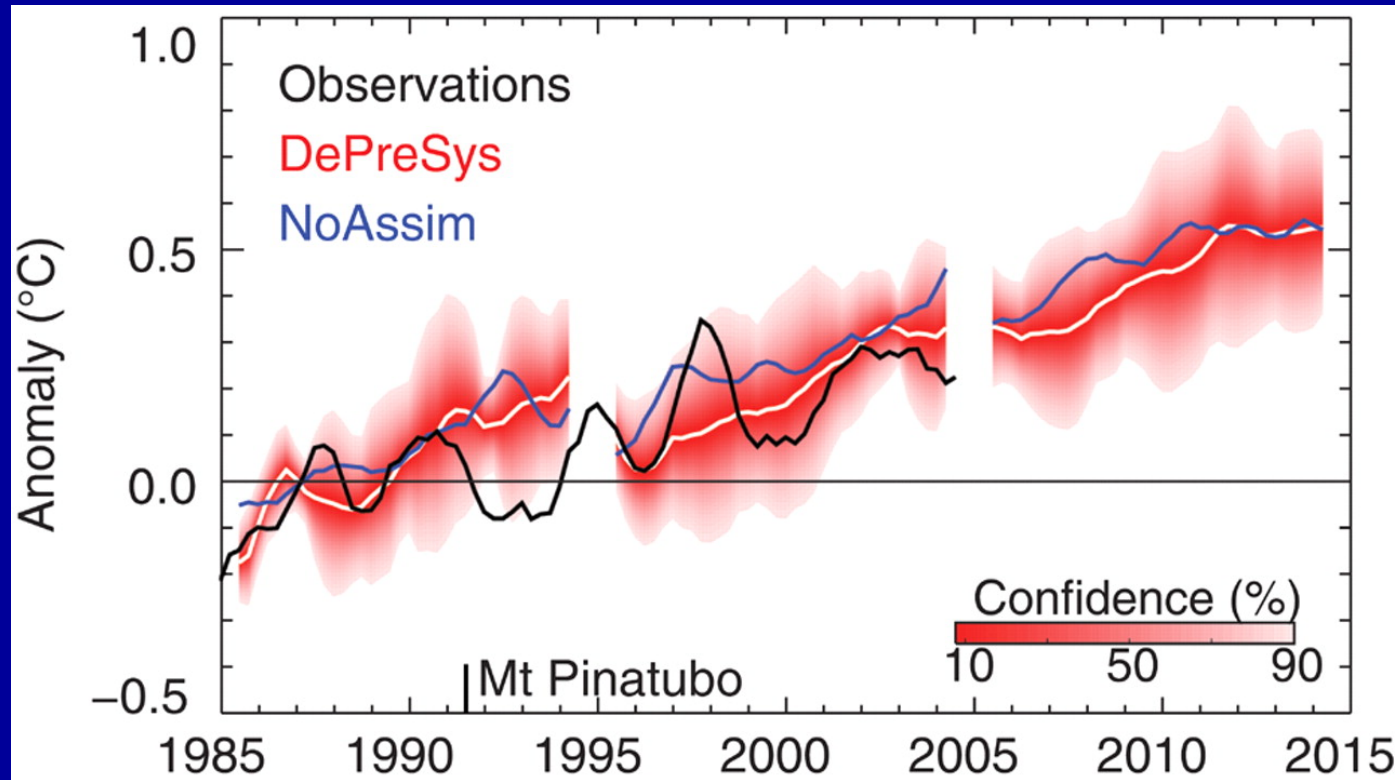
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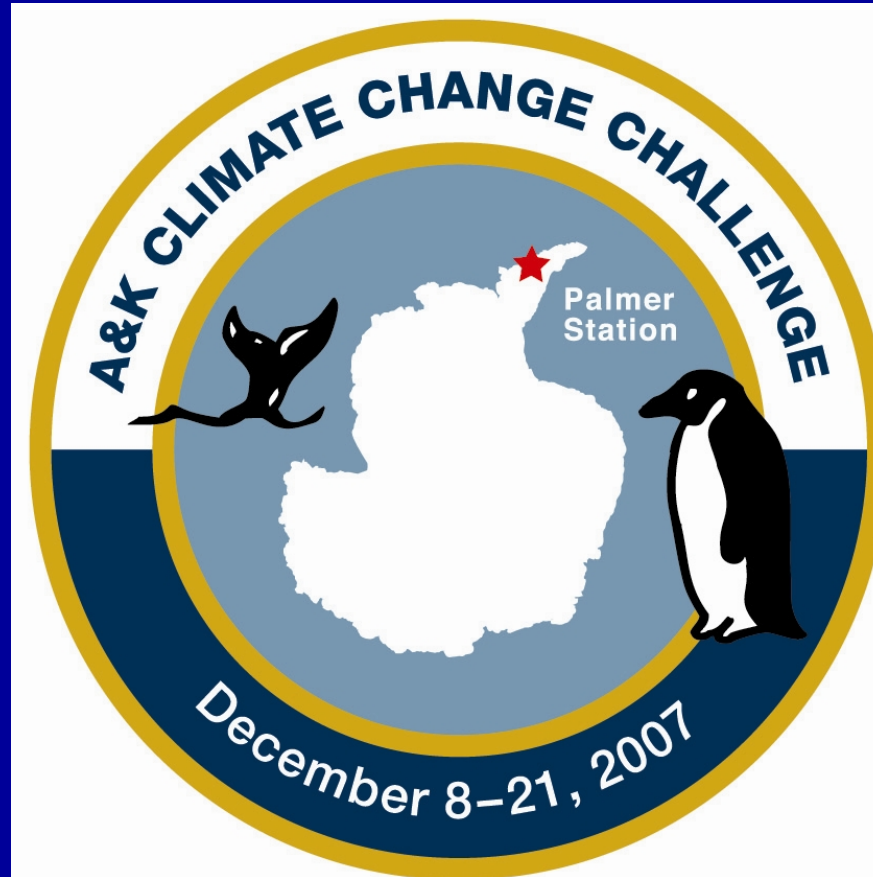
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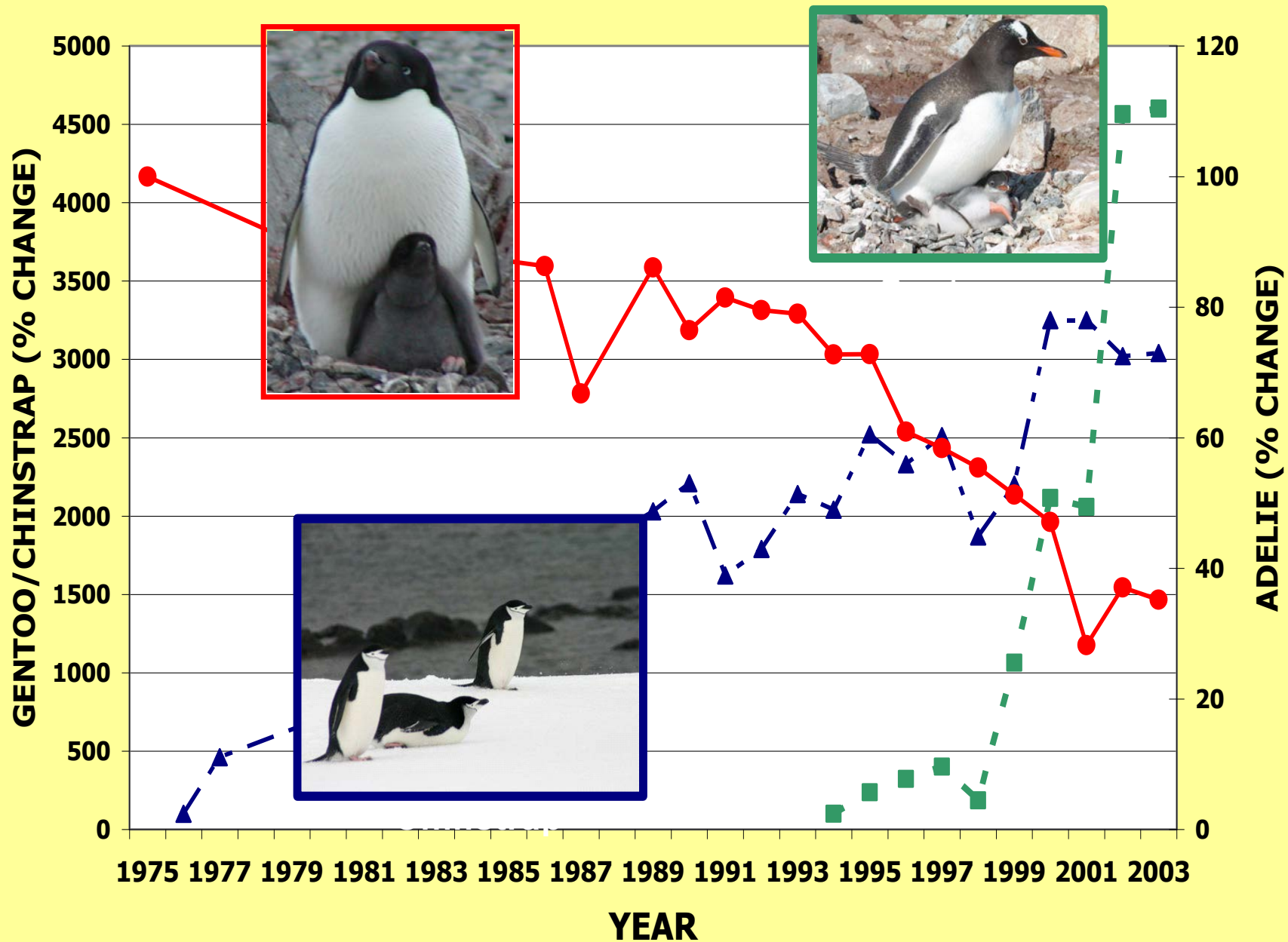
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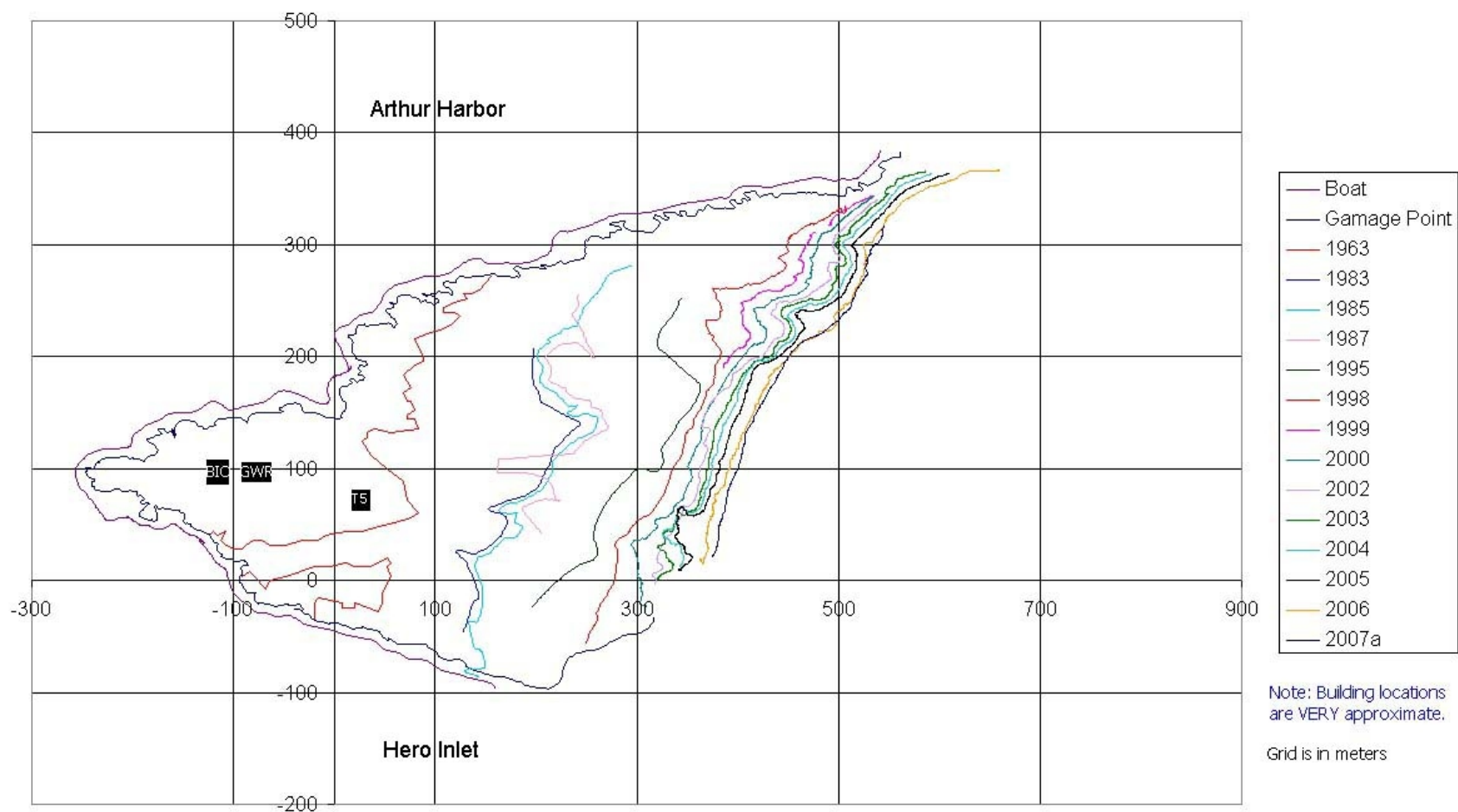
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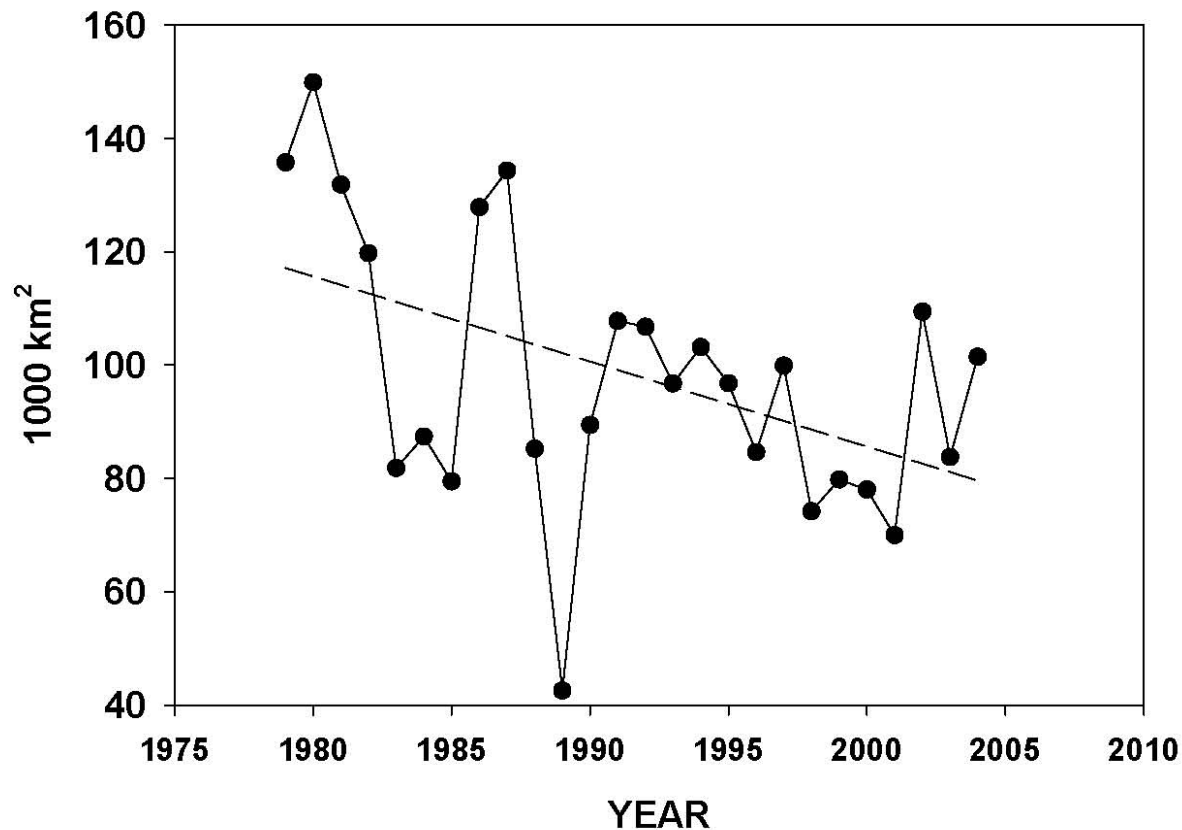
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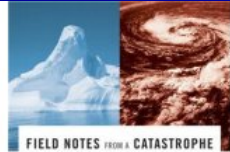
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Mean extent of annual sea ice on Western Antarctic Peninsula (30% reduction over 30 year period)



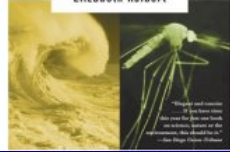
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FIELD NOTES FROM A CATASTROPHE

MAN, NATURE, AND CLIMATE CHANGE

Elizabeth Kolbert



"Frightful and beautiful
if you have vision
the world has been made
and certainly, beauty is the
supremacy. She is beautiful to
the things of the world."

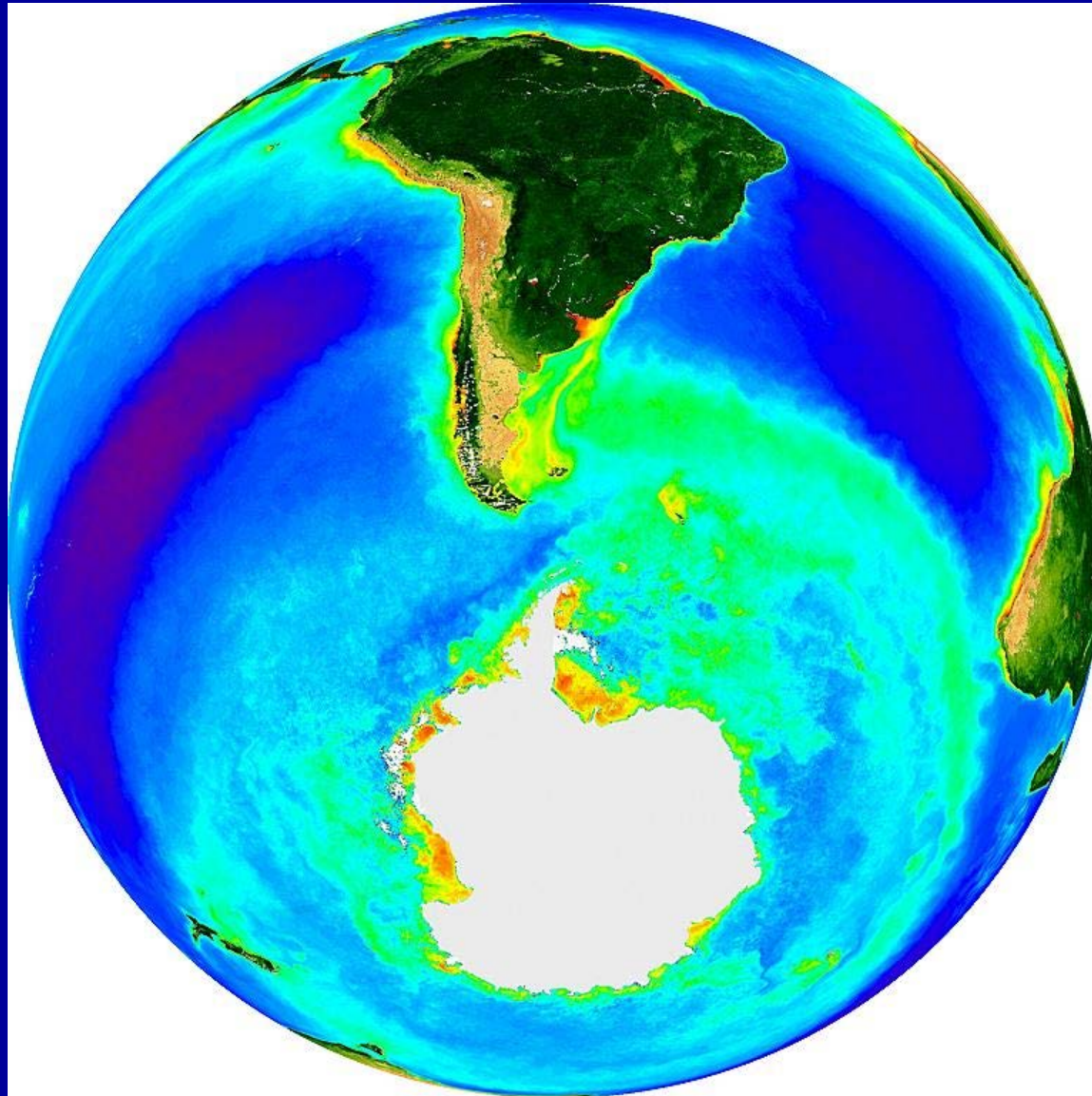




Flying Penguins on BBC Documentary.MOV



**Composite Dec-Feb concentration of phytoplankton
(chlorophyll mg m^{-3})**



Source – NASA SeaWiFS

Rhopsamine, IC50 10-3 mM (KB)



Leucetta leptorhapsis



Future Antarctic scientists?

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Chemical antifeedants



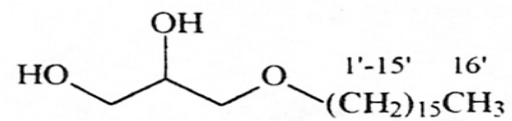
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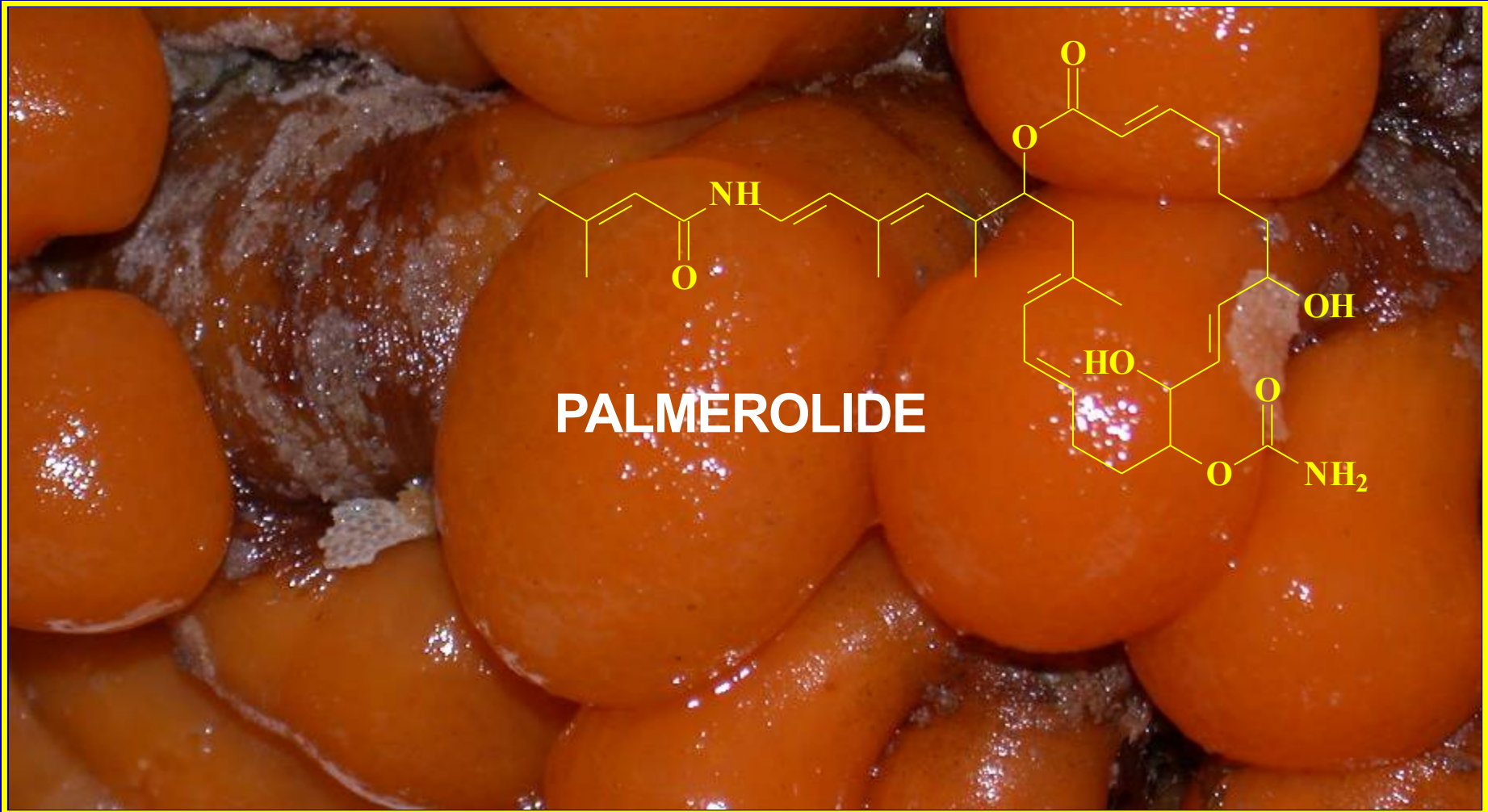


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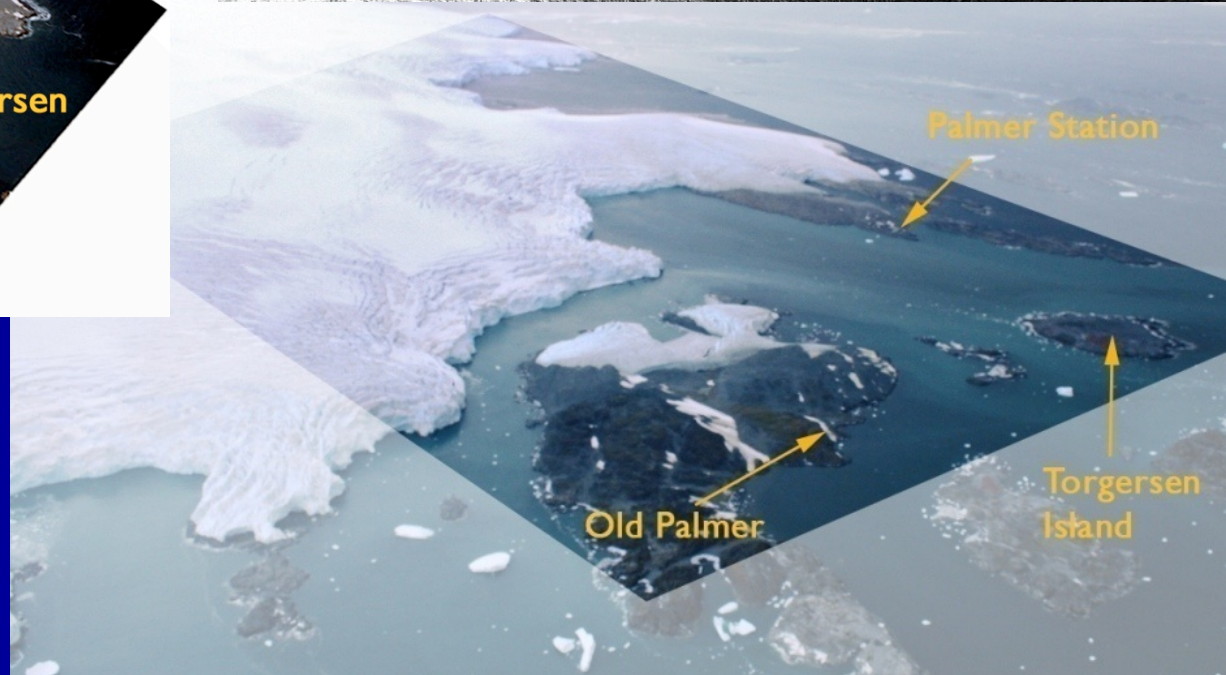
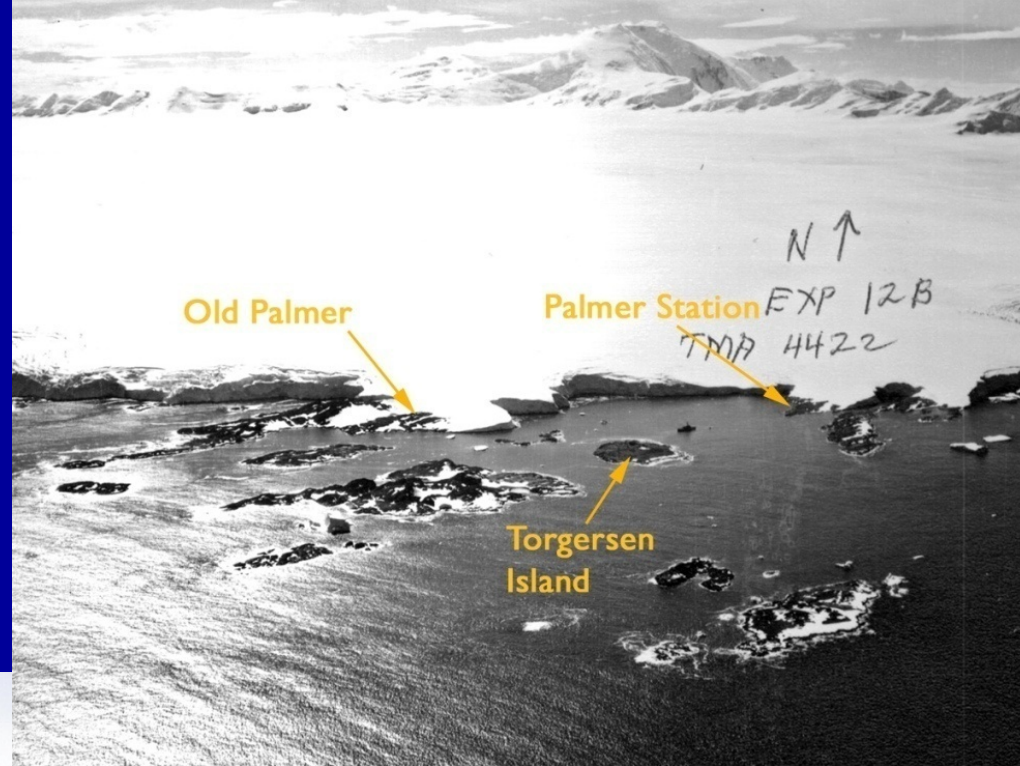
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Parborlasia corrugatus
Chemical antifeedants
Mucus pH = 2.0 plus neurotoxic peptide





