

Persistent millennial-scale links between North Pacific intermediate-water ventilation and North Atlantic Climate during the deglaciation and last glaciation

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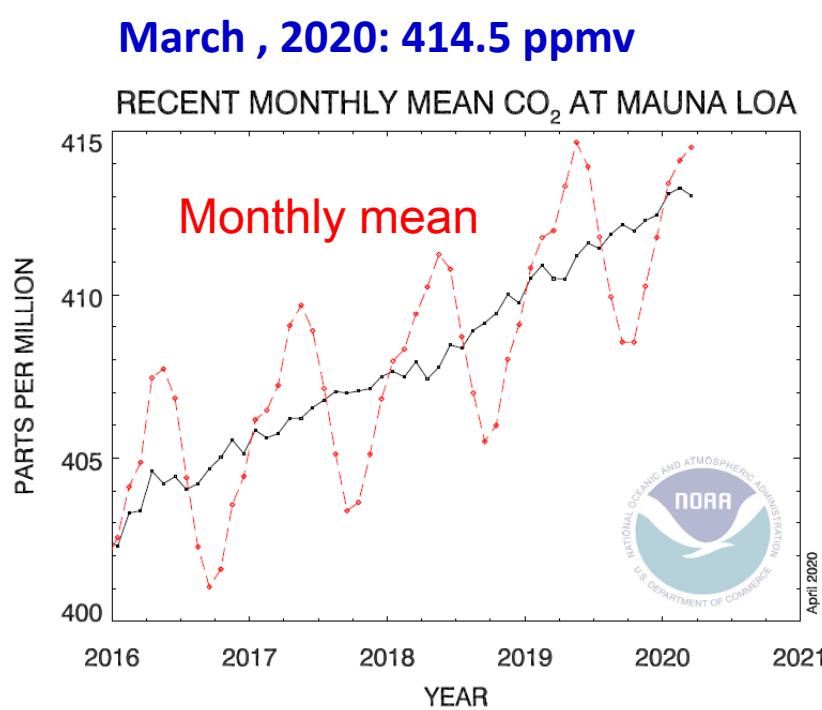
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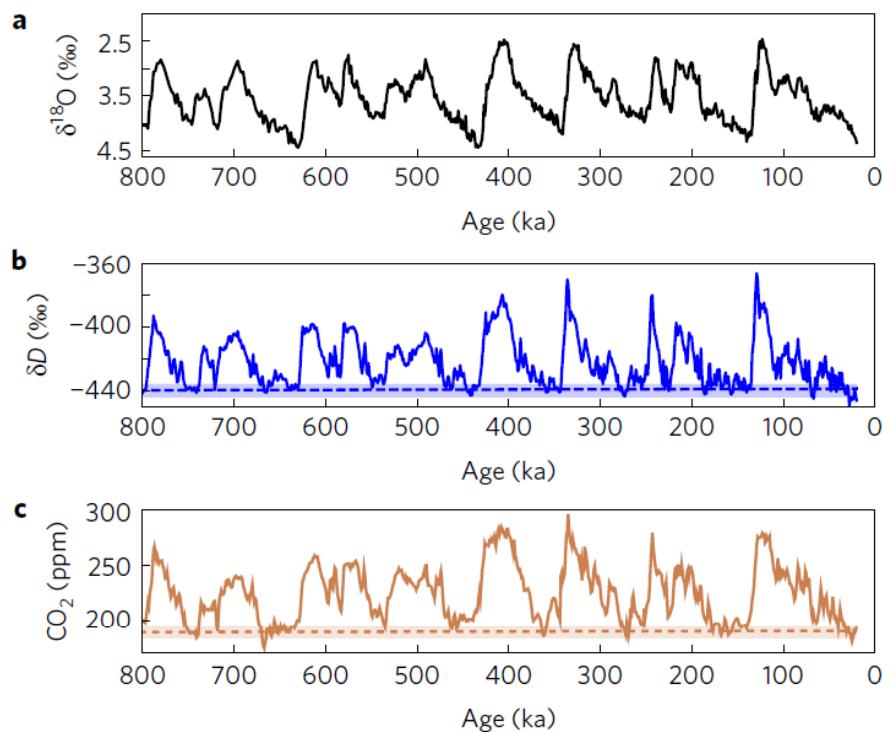
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Changes in atmospheric CO₂ levels



Mauna Loa Atmospheric CO₂ Record

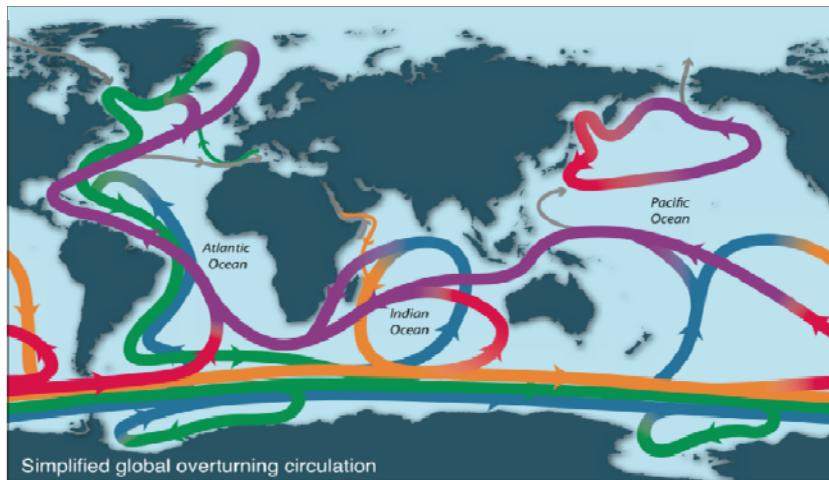
180-280 ppmv



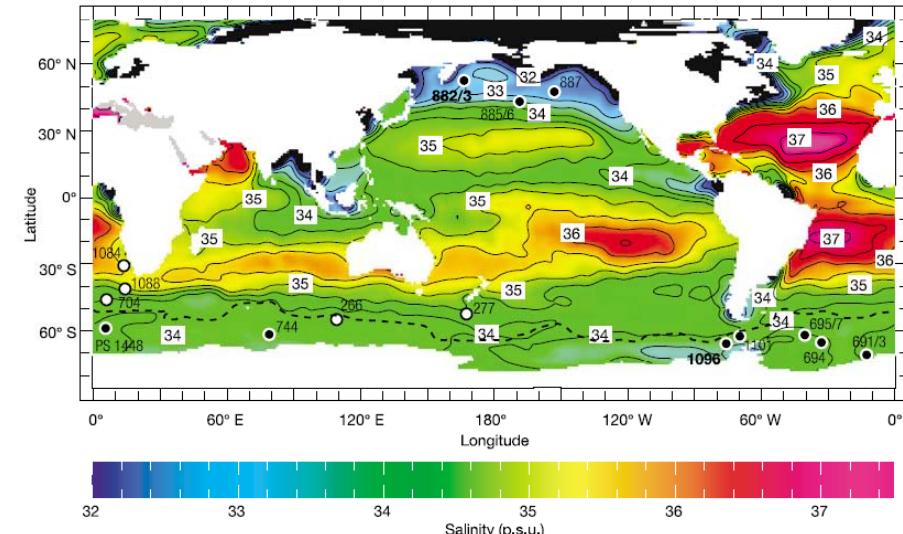
Galbraith 2017, NG

- Mechanisms for CO₂ variations: carbon sequestration, biological pump, silicate weathering, volcanic eruption,
- Coupling of sedimentary oxygenation and carbon sequestration

North Pacific Intermediate Water

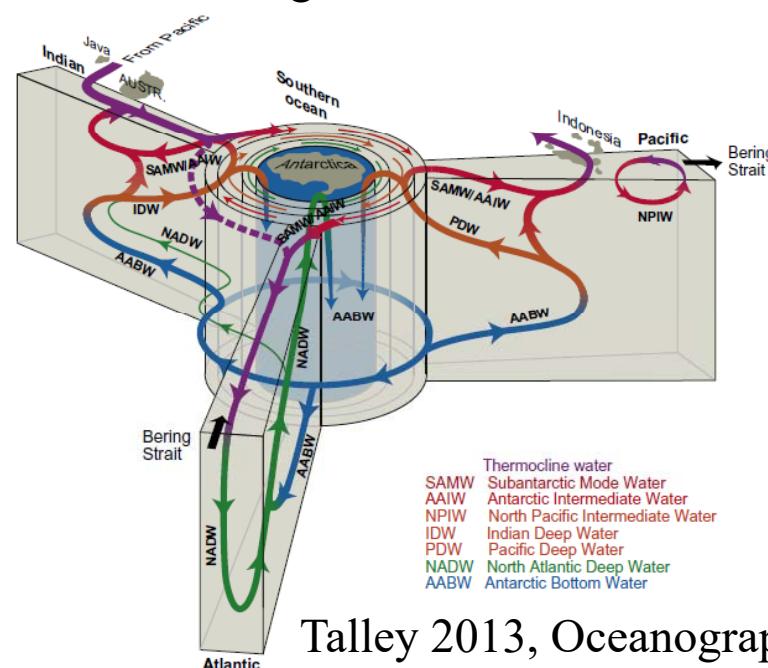


Talley 2013, Oceanography

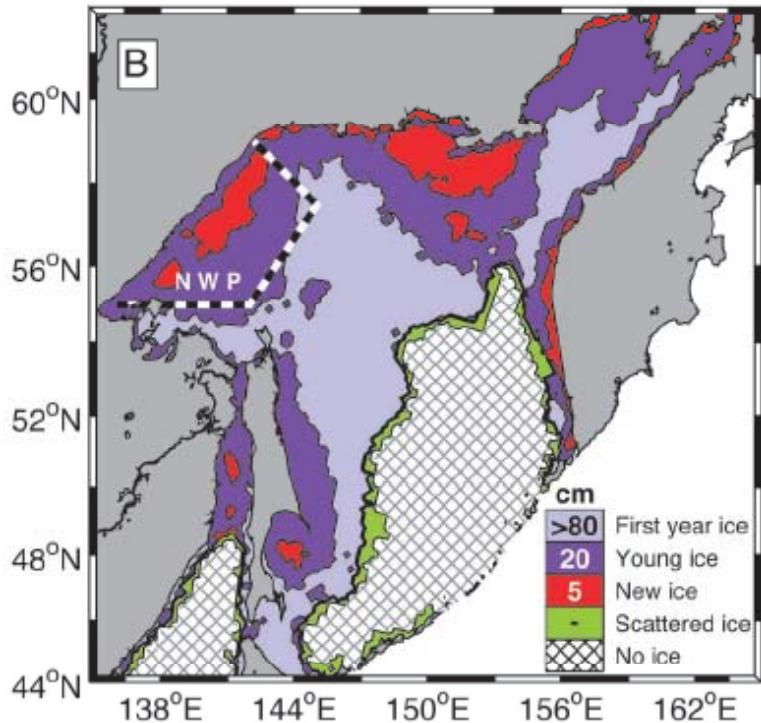


Sigman et al. 2004, Science

- Formation: sea ice and brine rejection
 - Distribution: the subtropical gyre
- anthropogenic CO₂ sink
- a total transport of about 2.7 Sv & low salinity;



Direct observation of NPIW formation



Source for low-salinity NPIW:
 Okhotsk Sea
 Gulf of Alaska;

Shcherbina et al. 2003 Science

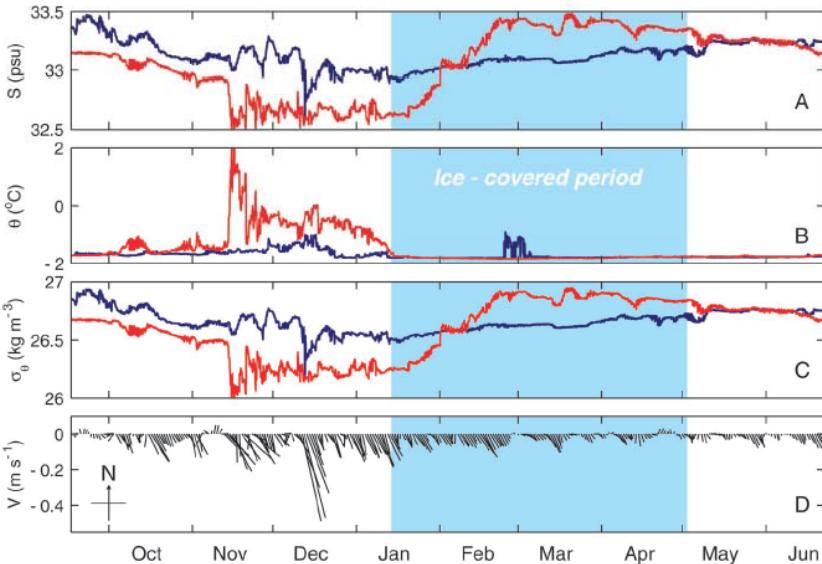


Fig. 3. Bottom water properties at the moorings. (A) Salinity, (B) potential temperature, and (C) potential density on the western (red line) and eastern (blue line) bottom moorings. (D) Mean horizontal velocity vector at the western bottom mooring low-passed with a 4-day Blackman filter. Blue shading indicates persistent ice cover over the western mooring, as detected by the mooring's Acoustic Doppler Current Profiler.

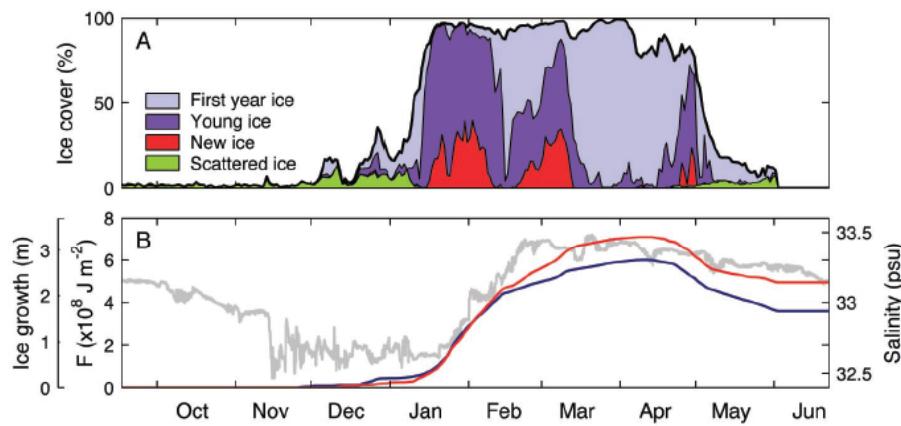
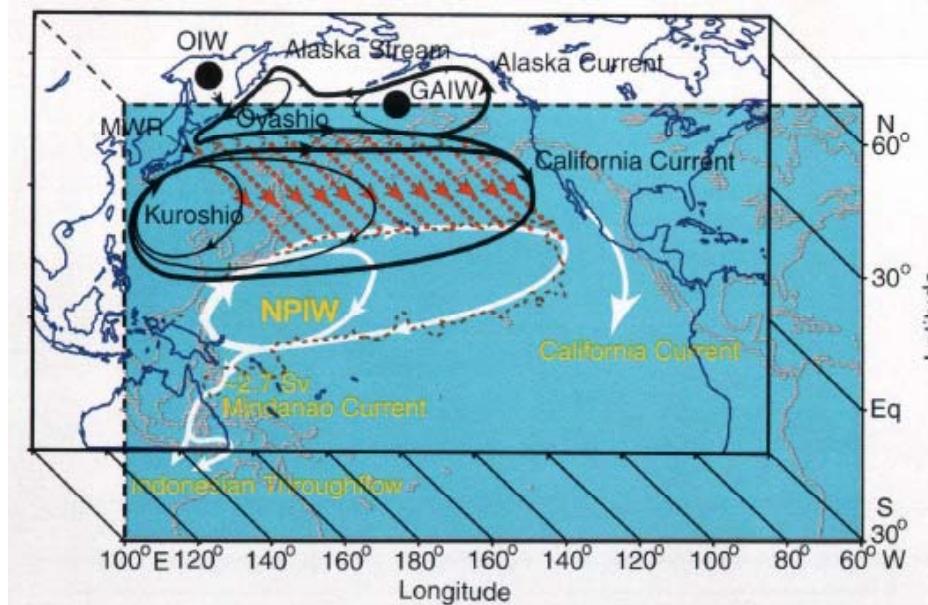


Fig. 4. Evolution of northwestern polynya. (A) Fractional ice cover over the northwestern shelf (within 50- to 200-m depth interval and the boundaries shown in Fig. 1B). (B) Cumulative heat loss through the ice above the western (red line) and eastern (blue line) mooring site. The leftmost scale shows the ice growth equivalent to this heat loss. Salinity at the western mooring (gray line) is shown for reference. The estimates of heat fluxes and ice classification are based on European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts reanalysis meteorology and National Snow and Ice Data Center ice data, respectively.

Spread of NPIW toward subtropical North Pacific

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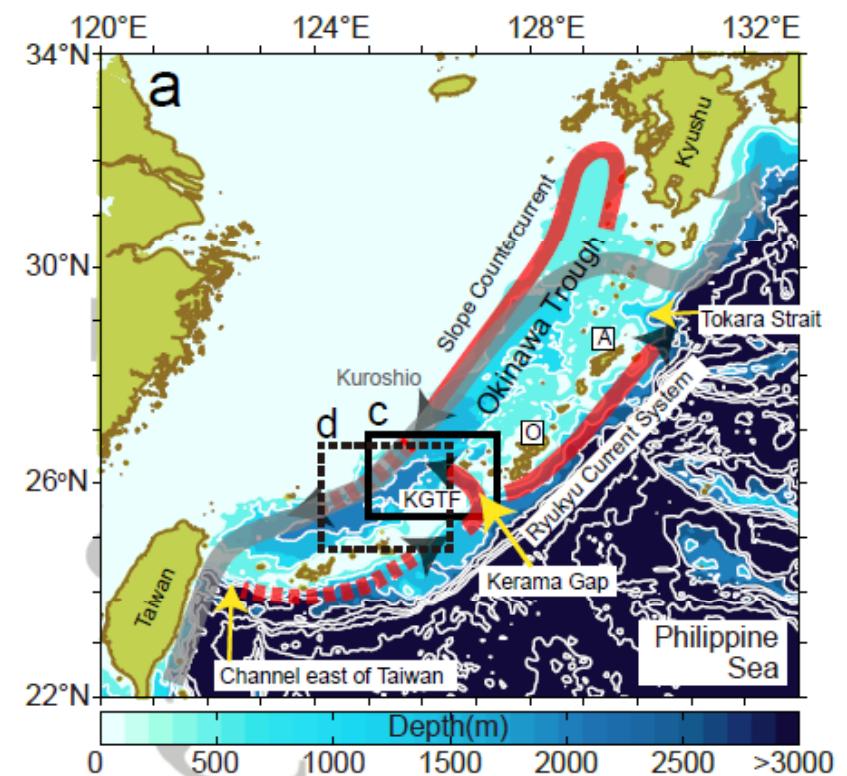


- ❑ Cold/fresh Oyashio water meets the warm/salty Kuroshio water
- ❑ Mixing results in densification and sinking of water parcels

- ❑ Return back to the west Pacific and intrude into the SCS and OT

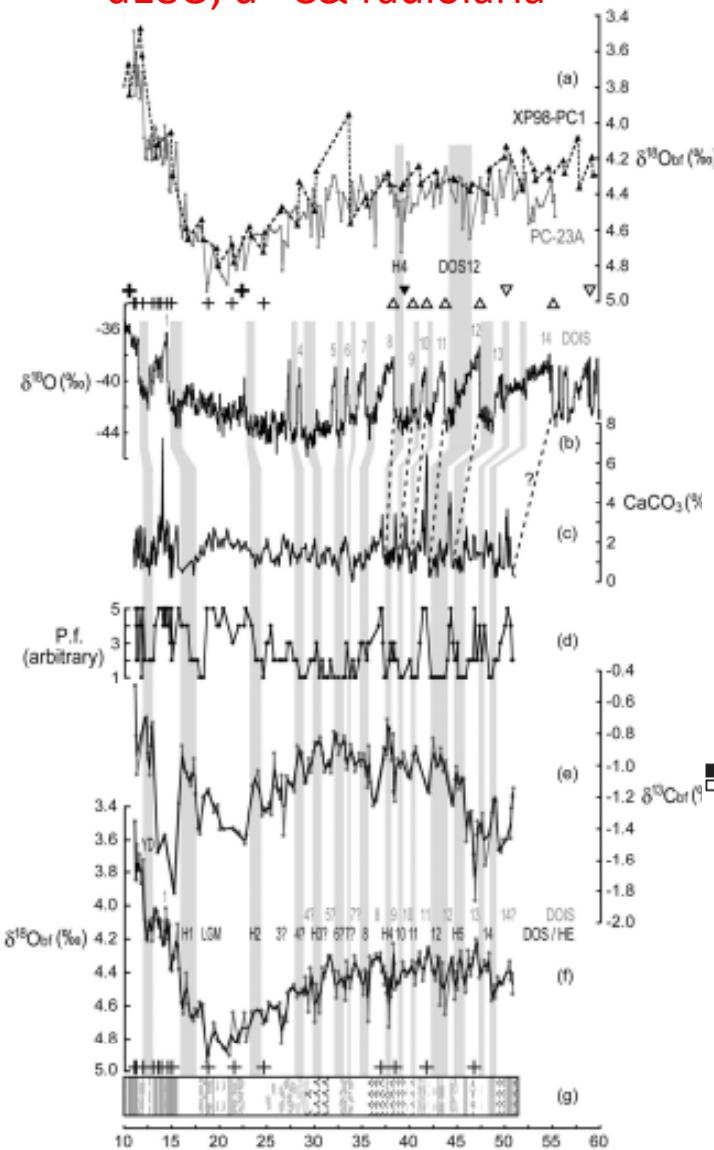
Kerama Gap

Nishina et al. 2016

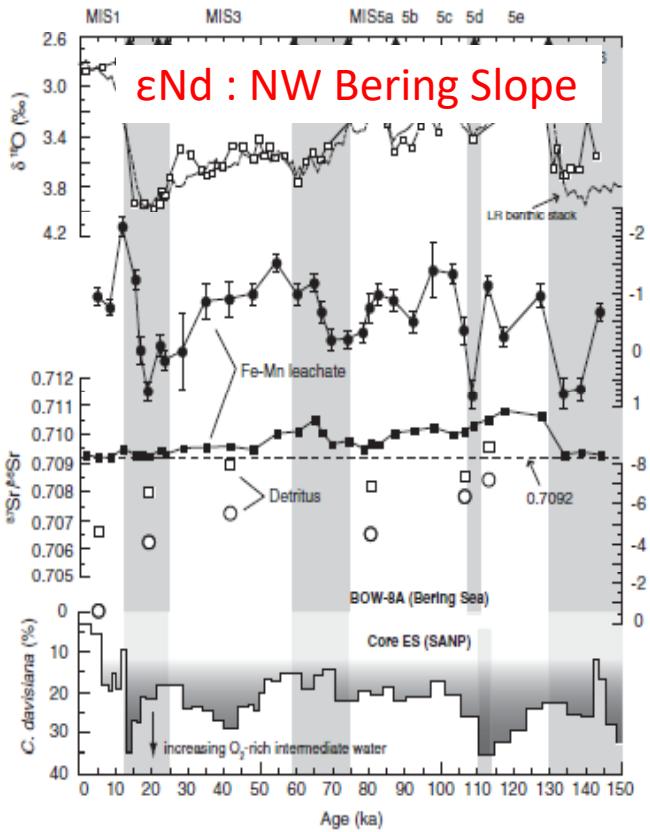
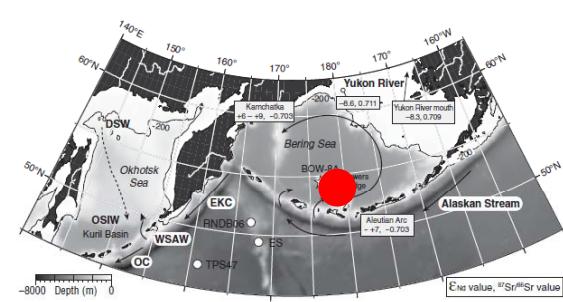


Last Glaciation: Ventilation and source variations in NPIW

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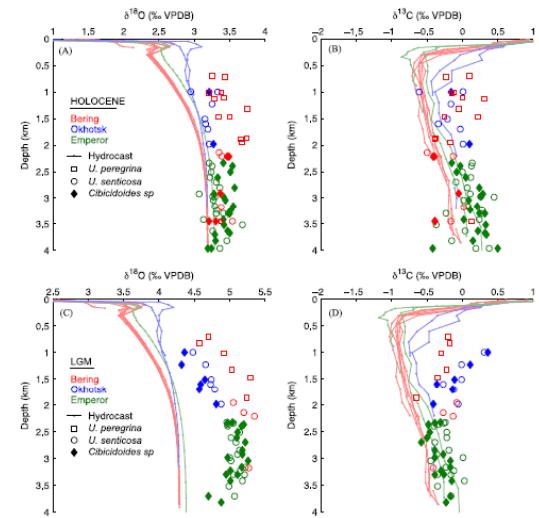


Rella et al. 2012, Paleo



Horikawa et al. 2010 Geology

LGM: several sources
<1000m: well ventilated

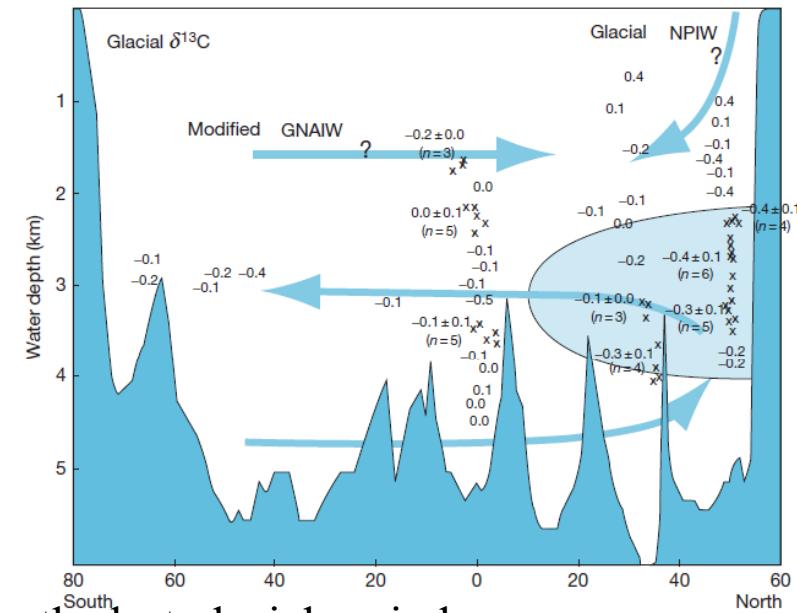
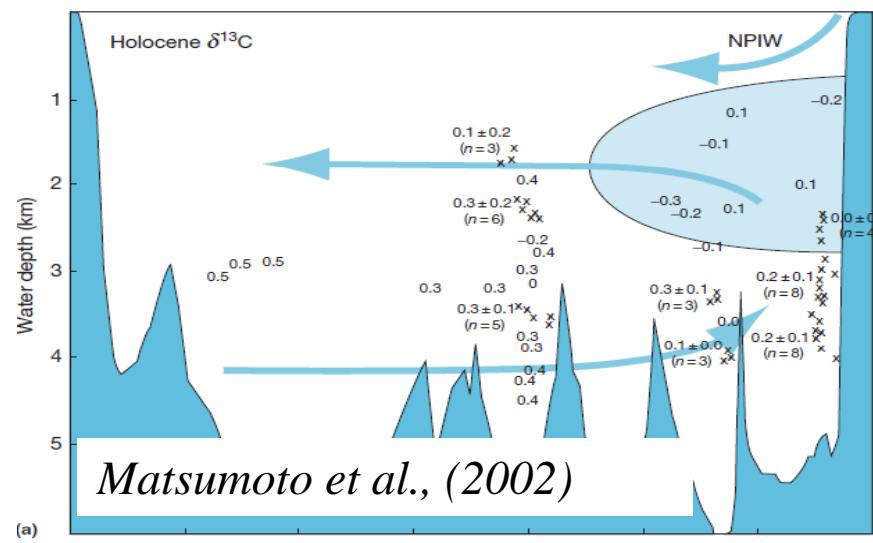


Cook et al. 2016, Paleo

$\delta^{18}\text{O}$, $\delta^{13}\text{C}$

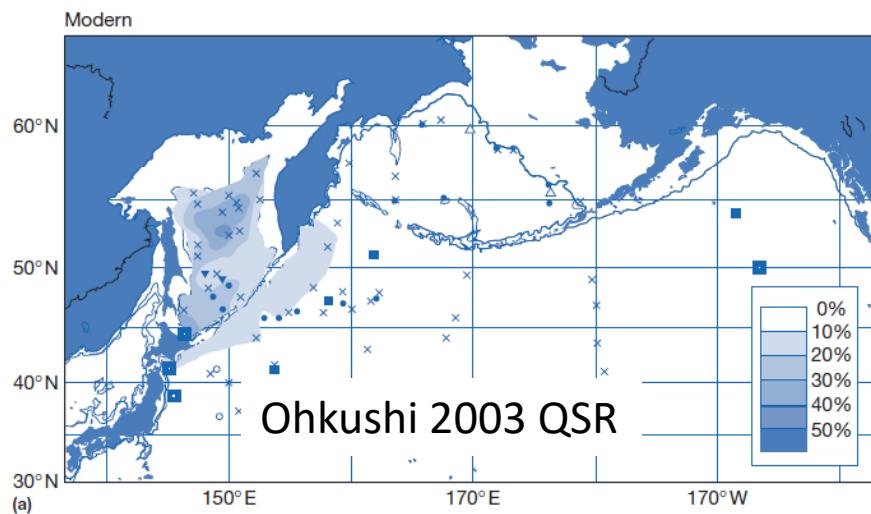
LGM: Ventilation and source variations in GNPIW

Benthic foraminiferal $\delta^{13}\text{C}$

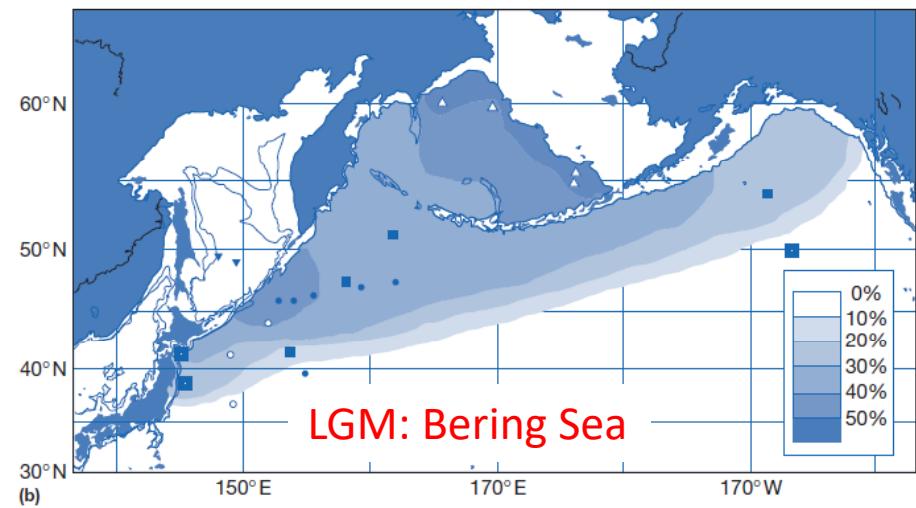


enhanced ventilation at water depth of < 2000 m during the last glacial period

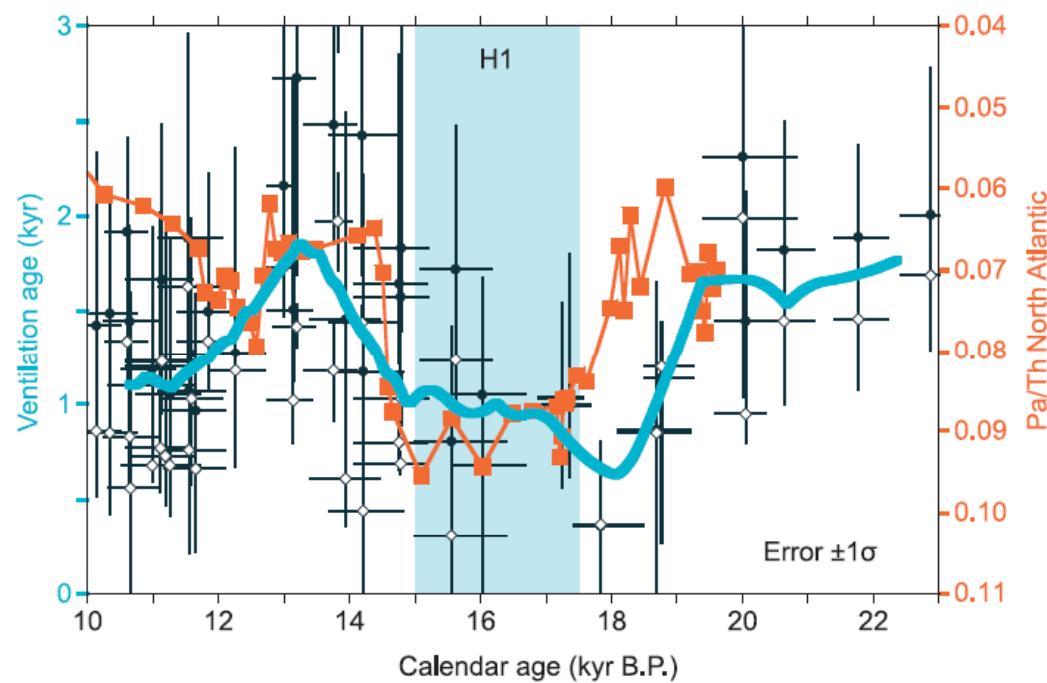
Radiolarians



Last Glacial Maximum

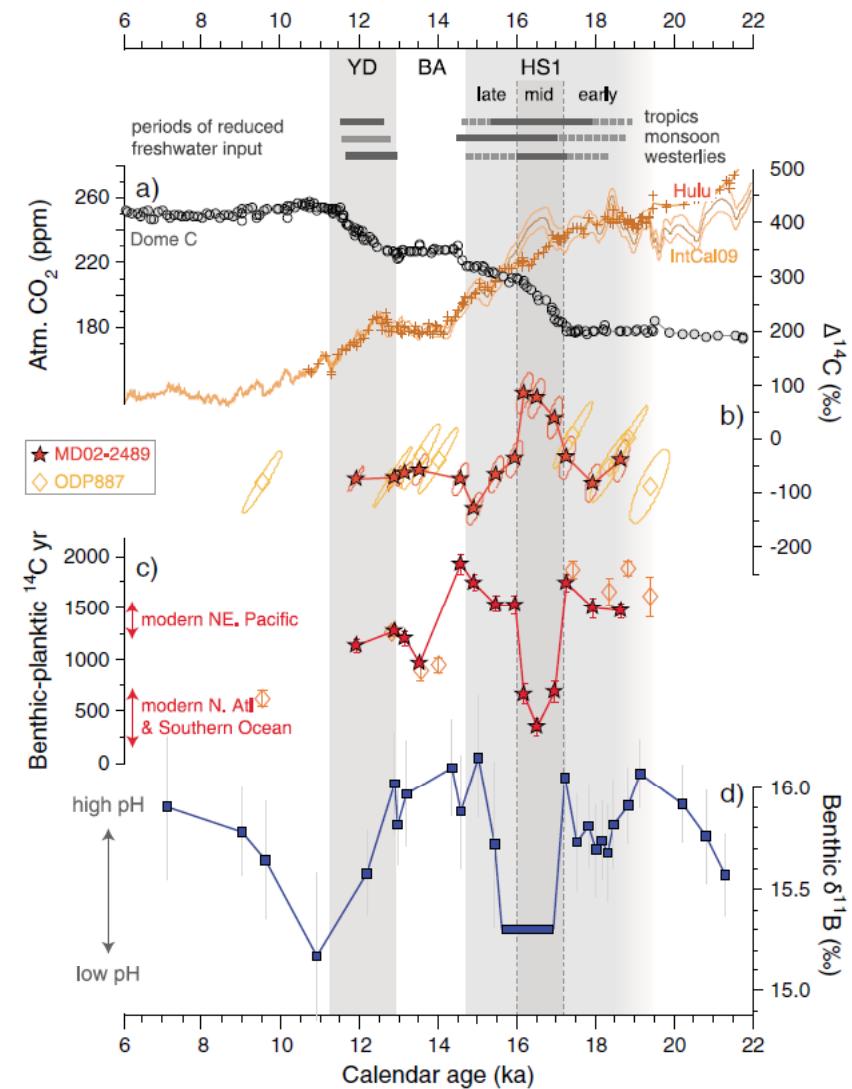


Early deglaciation: formation of NPDW



Okazaki et al. 2010 Science

- ◻ Penetrate to a depth of ~2500 to 3000 m
- ◻ Boron isotope & paired AMS ^{14}C : 3640 m



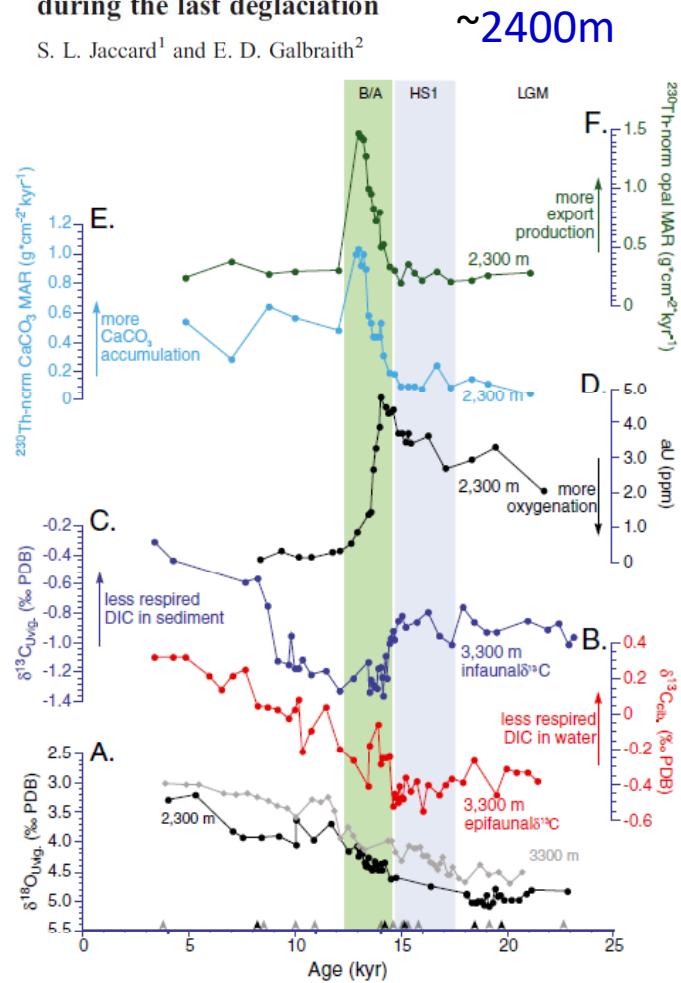
Rae et al. 2014 Paleoceanography

Early deglaciation: No formation of NPDW

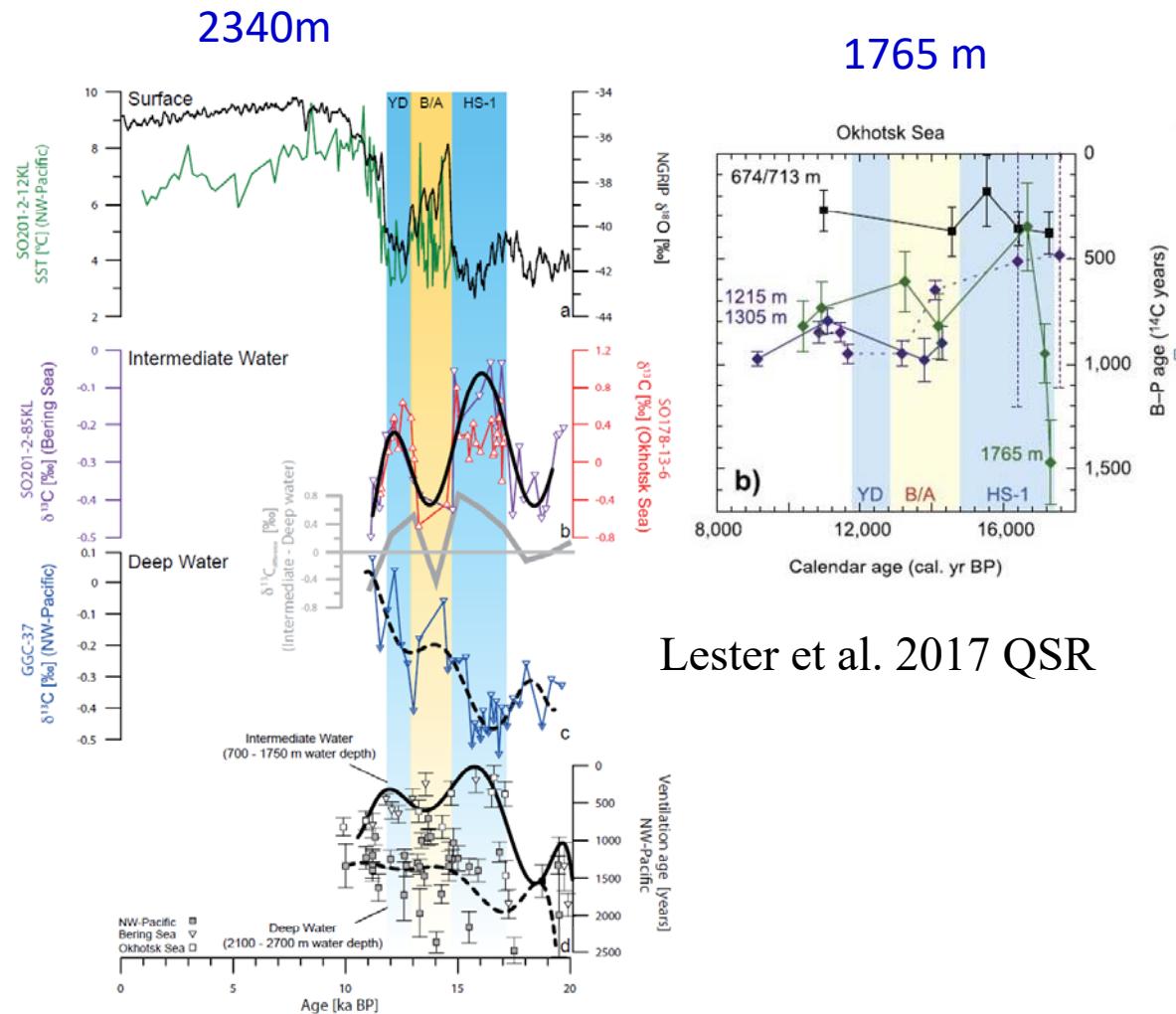
GEOPHYSICAL RESEARCH LETTERS, VOL. 40, 199–203, doi:10.1029/2012GL054118, 2013

Direct ventilation of the North Pacific did not reach the deep ocean
during the last deglaciation

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Jaccard & Galbraith 2013 GRL



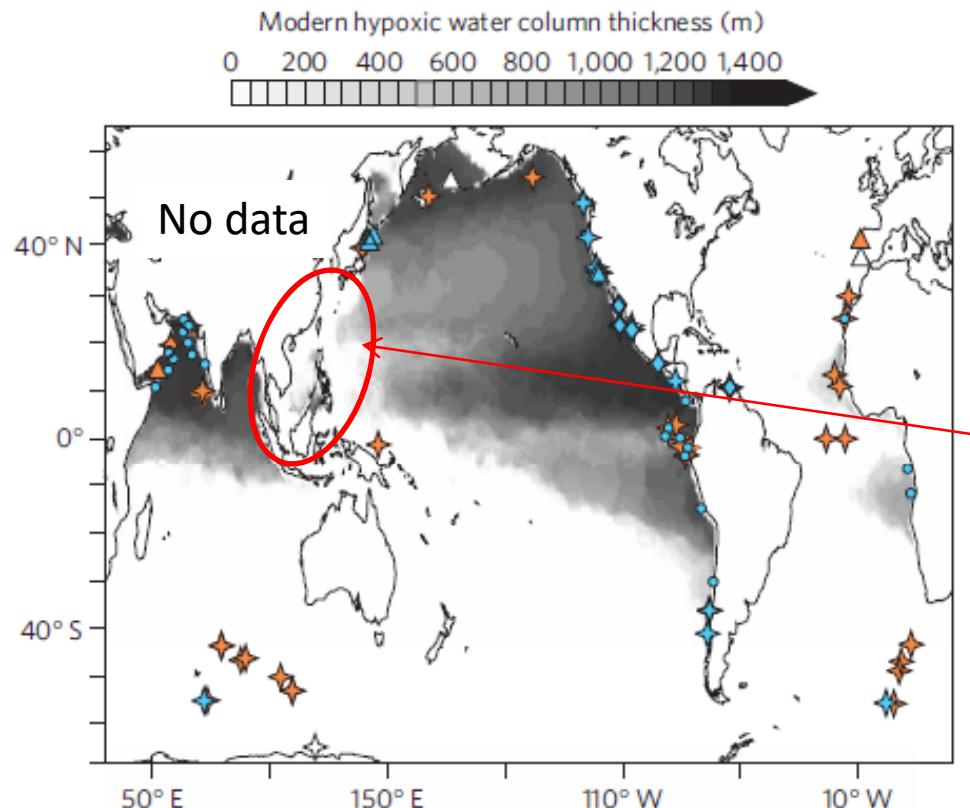
Max et al. 2014 CP

Lester et al. 2017 QSR

Large climate-driven changes of oceanic oxygen concentrations during the last deglaciation

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During the last glacial termination, the solubility of gases in the ocean decreased as ocean temperatures rose. However, marine sediments have not unanimously recorded ocean deoxygenation throughout this time. Some records show increasing oxygenation since the Last Glacial Maximum, particularly in the deep sea, while many document abrupt oxygenation changes, often associated with apparent changes in the formation rate of North Atlantic Deep Water. Here we present a global compilation of marine sediment proxy records that reveals remarkable coherency between regional oxygenation changes throughout deglaciation. The upper ocean generally became less oxygenated, but this general trend included pauses and even reversals, reflecting changes in nutrient supply, respiration rates and ventilation. The most pronounced deoxygenation episode in the upper ocean occurred midway through the deglaciation, associated with a reinvigoration of North Atlantic Deep Water formation. At this time, the upper Indo-Pacific Ocean was less oxygenated than today. Meanwhile, the bulk of the deep ocean became more oxygenated over the deglaciation, reflecting a transfer of respired carbon to the atmosphere. The observed divergence from a simple solubility control emphasizes the degree to which oxygen consumption patterns can be altered by changes in ocean circulation and marine ecosystems.

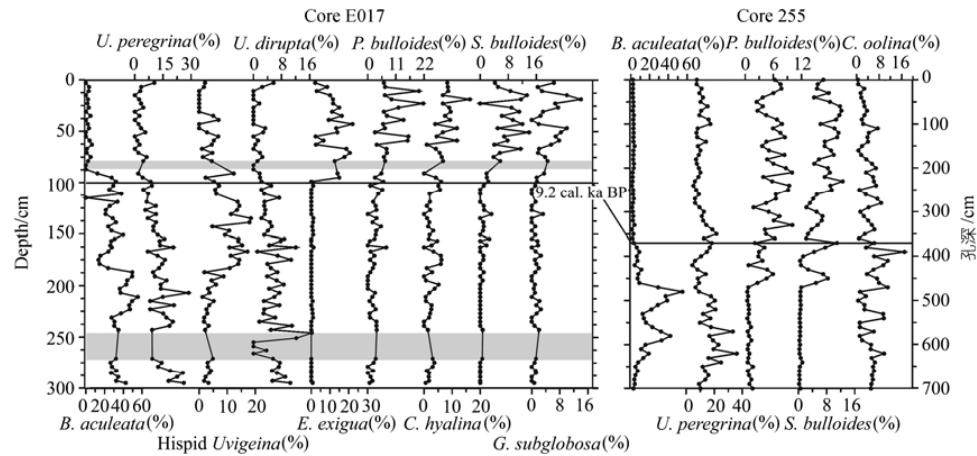


Deglacial DO distribution during the Deglaciation in the N Pacific

- Coherent oxygenation changes throughout deglaciation in the upper North Pacific and Indian ocean.
- No data available in the subtropical north Pacific!

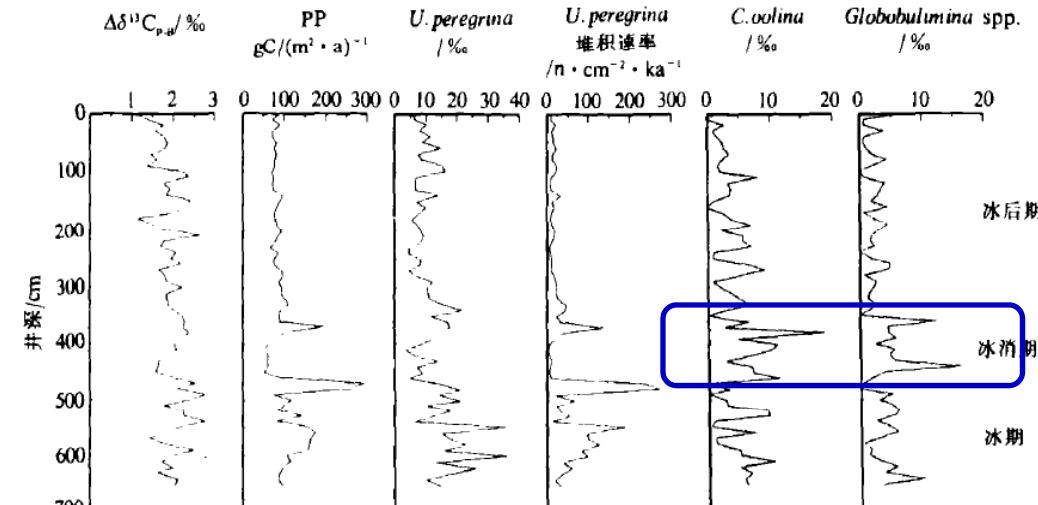
Question: What and how does the ventilation vary in the western subtropical North Pacific since the last glaciation?

Benthic foraminifera: Evidence for oxygenation variations

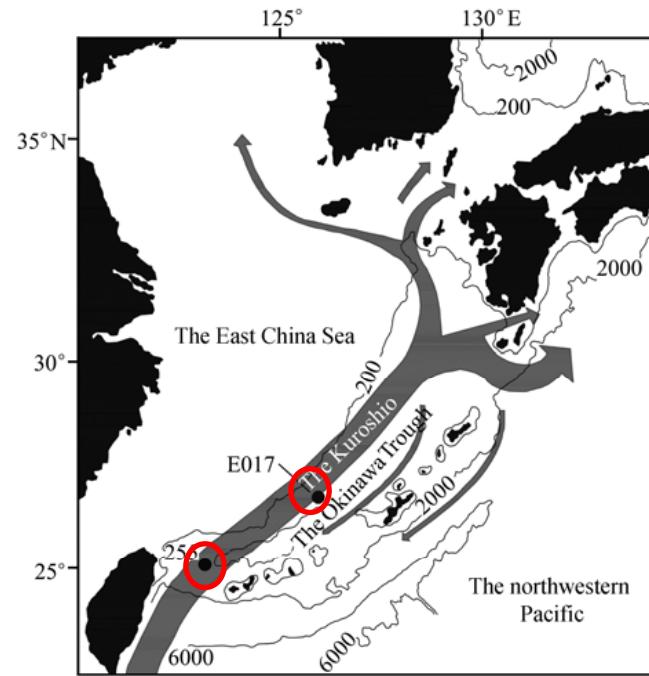


Li et al. 2005

Hypoxia was prevailing during the deglaciation.



Jian et al. 1996

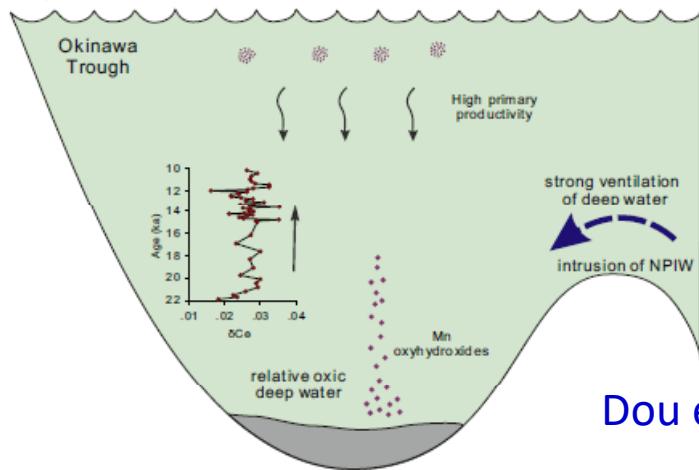


Post deglaciation
oxygen depletion - like BF species

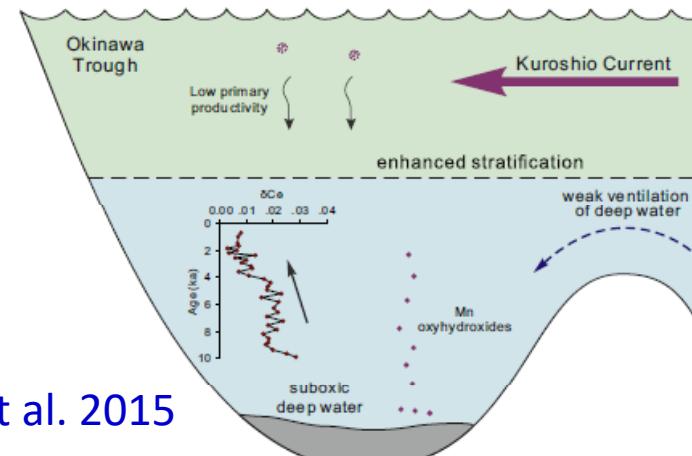
deglaciation
glaciation

Different ventilation patterns

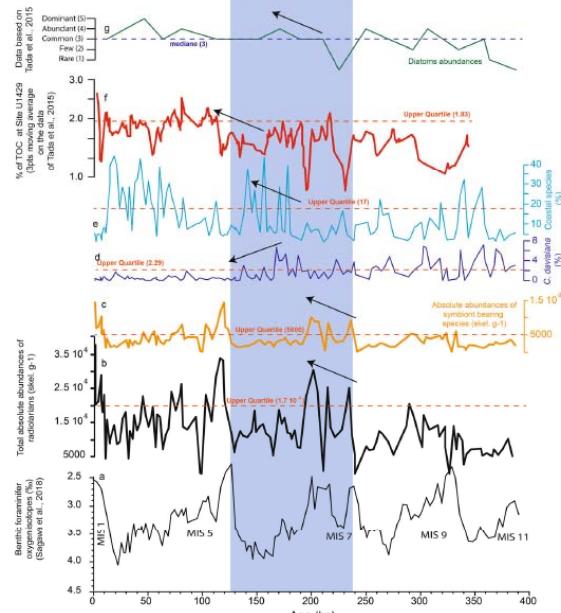
(A) LGM to deglaciation



(B) Early Holocene to present

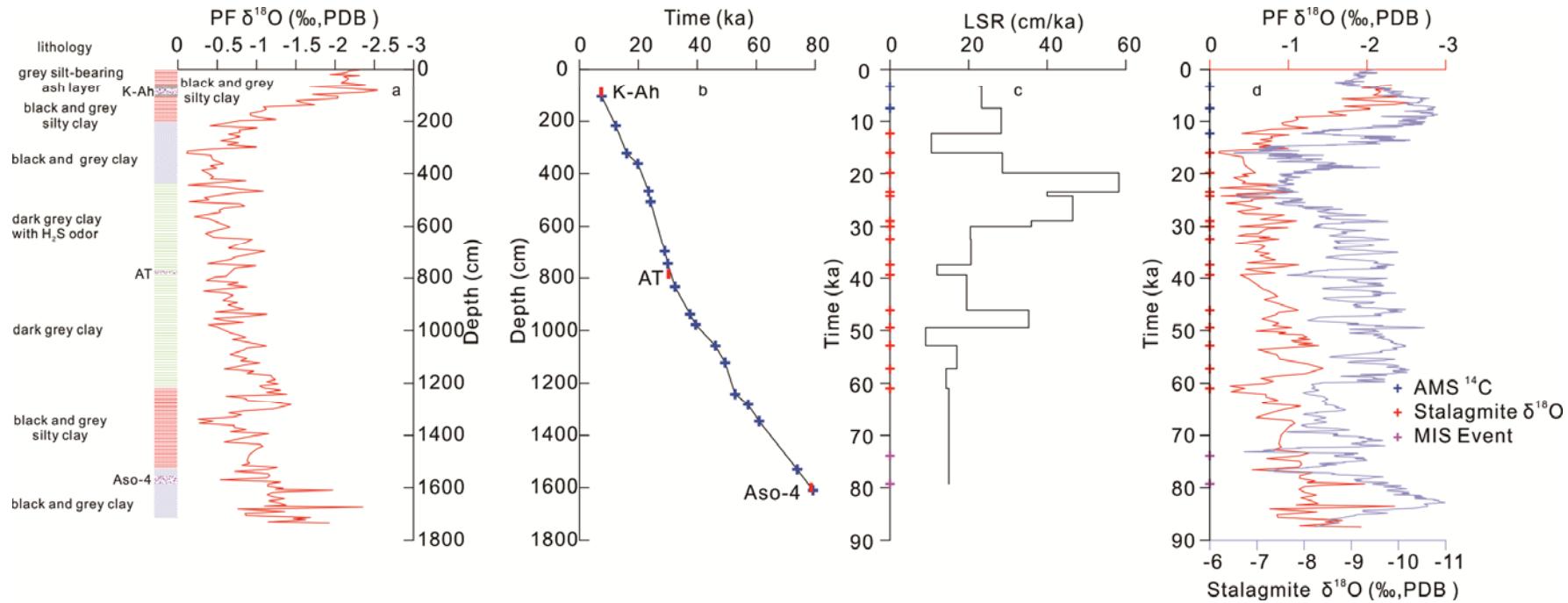


Strong Ventilation: intrusion of NPIW



Millennial-scale ventilation during the last deglaciation

Lithology



Water depth: 703m

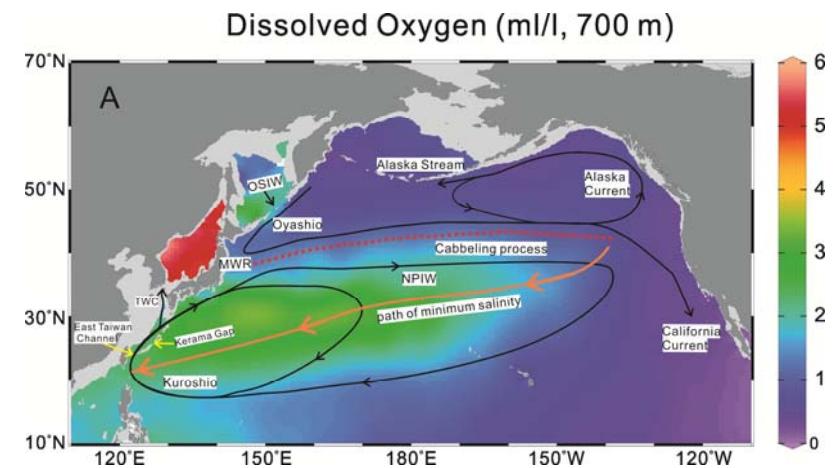
Age model: correlation with stalagmite $\delta^{18}\text{O}$

Bottom age: ~88 ka

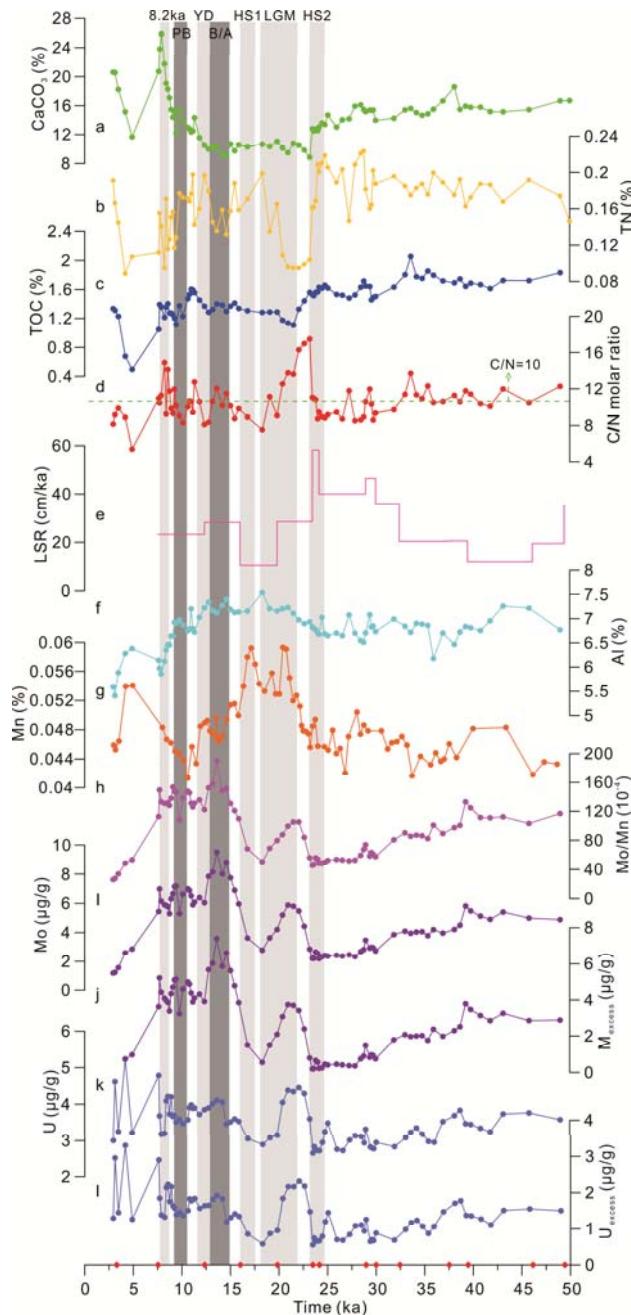
Resolution: 240 yr/sample

LSR: 10 - 60 cm/ka;

Zou et al. 2020, CP

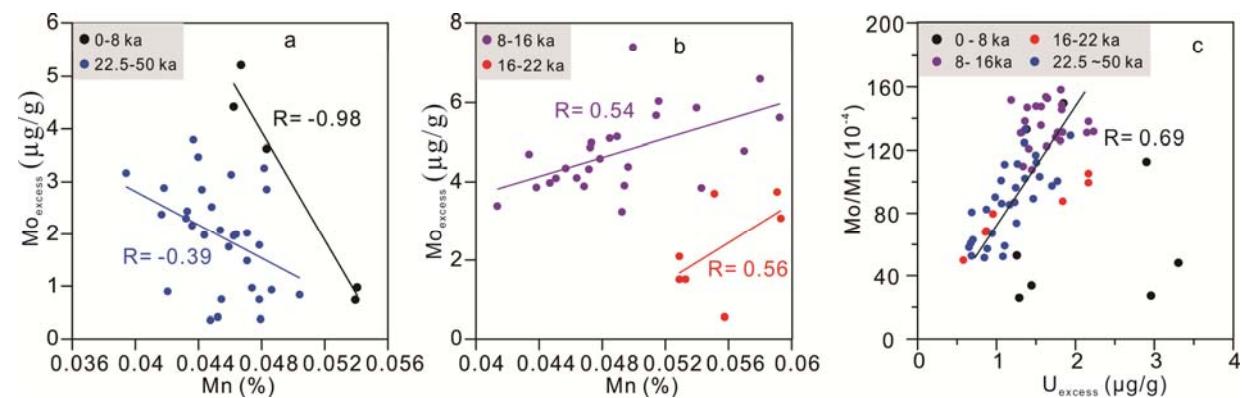


Sedimentary oxygenation variation in the northern OT



Contrasting geochemical behavior

- Mn: enriched under oxic condition
depleted in suboxic and anoxic condition
- Mo and U: enriched in oxygen-depleted water.
- Mo: also enriched in oxic sediments due to its adsorption on the surface of manganese oxide.



MIS3 & LGM & HS1&HS2: oxic condition

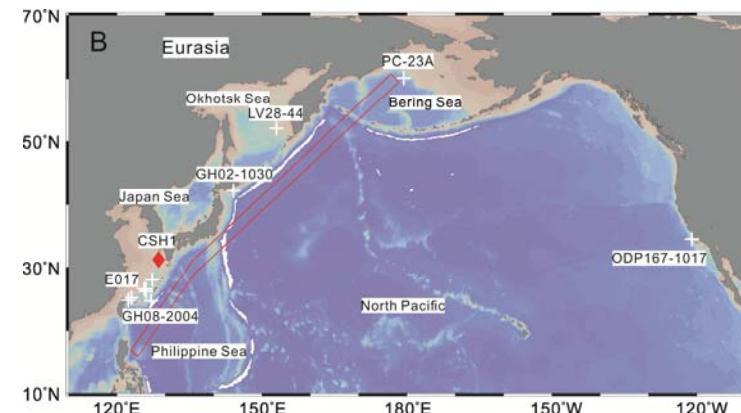
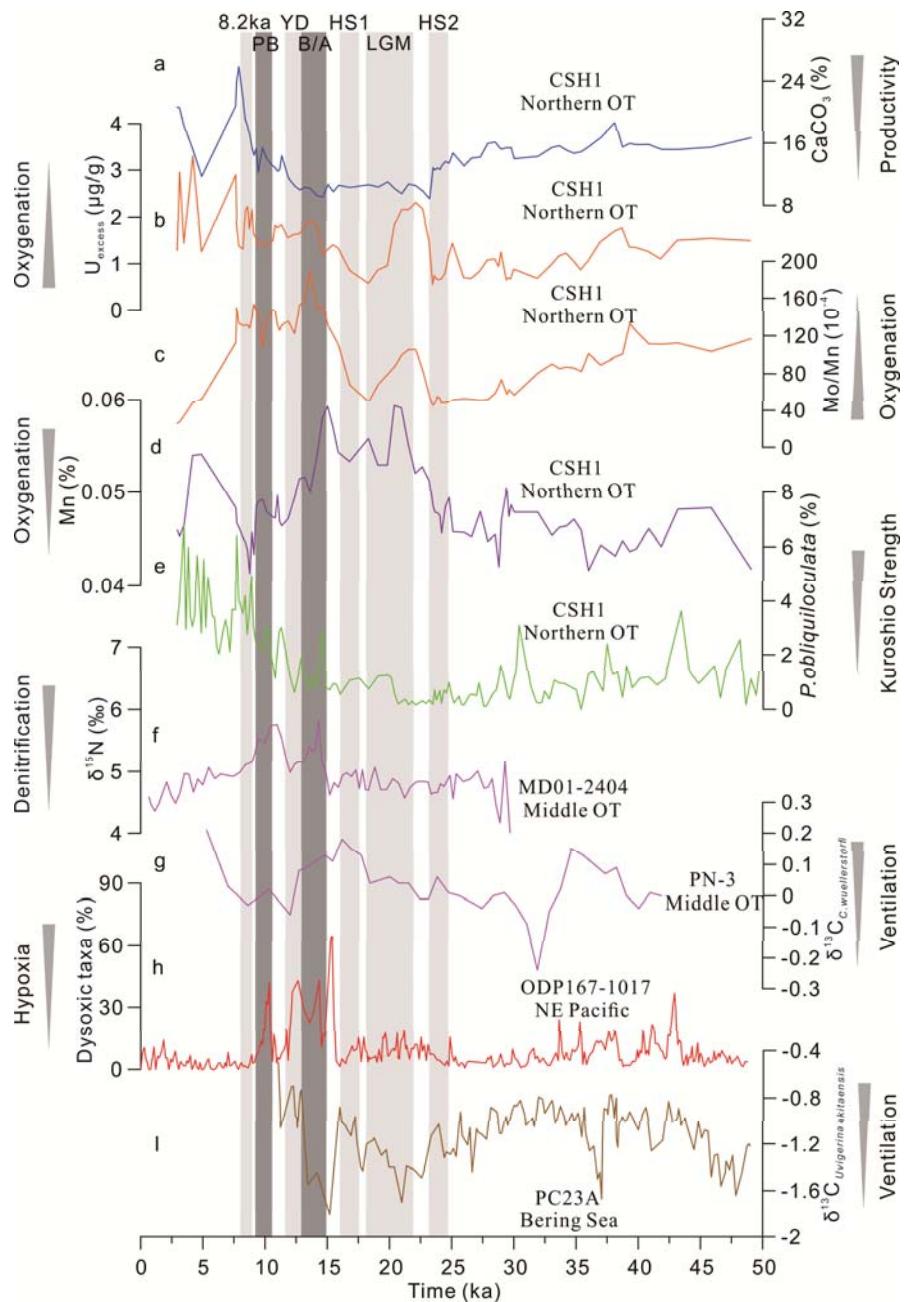
B-A: suboxic condition

YD &PB: suboxic condition

Oxic : enhanced intrusion of NPIW

Suboxic: decreased NPIW and enhanced productivity export

Coherent variations in deglacial sedimentary oxygenation



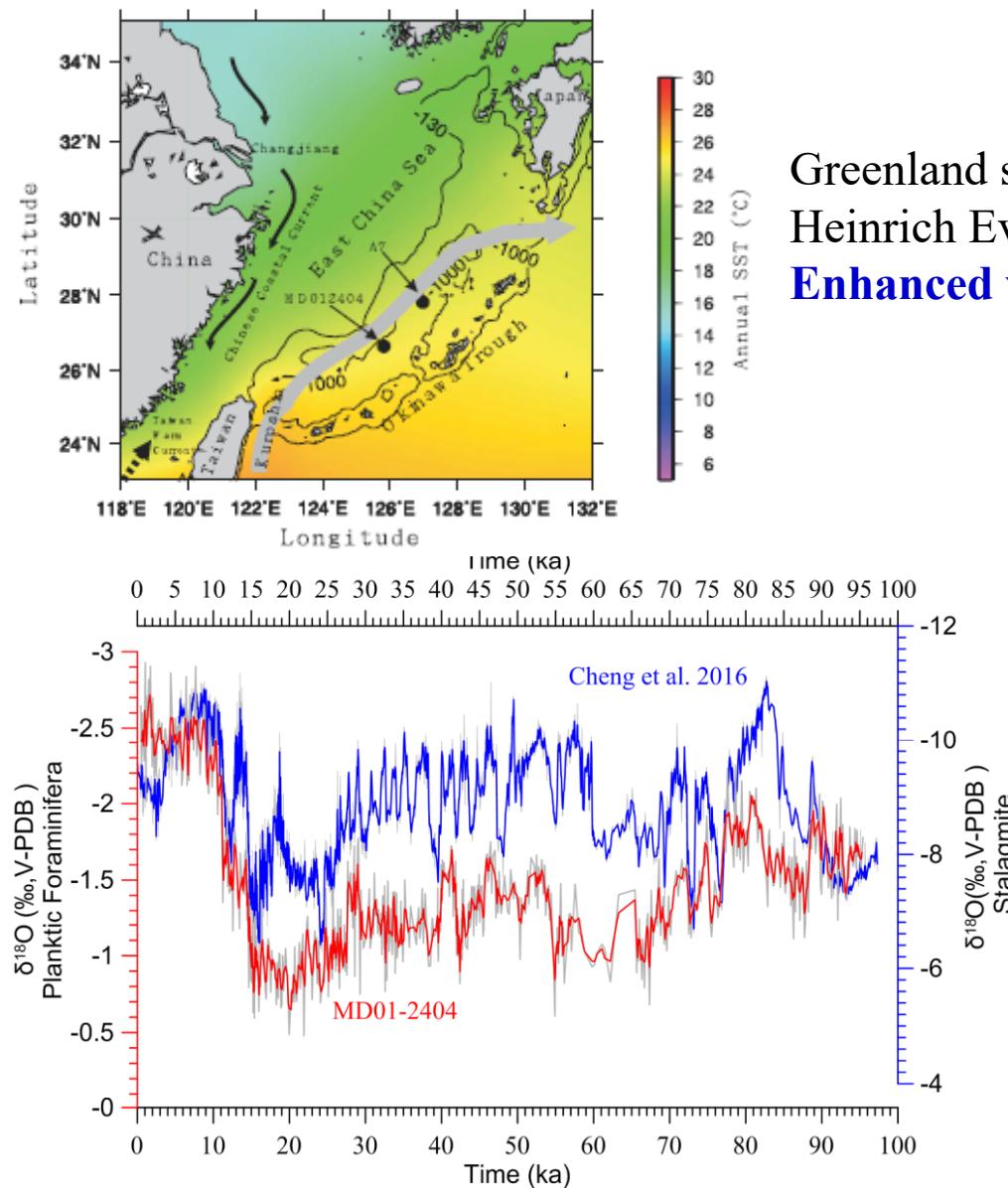
consistent pattern of oxygen change with the ones at high northern latitudes and eastern Pacific

LGM & HS1: enhanced ventilation

B/A: weakened ventilation

NPIW: the main mechanism in regulating deep ventilation and sedimentary oxygen variation in the N Pacific.

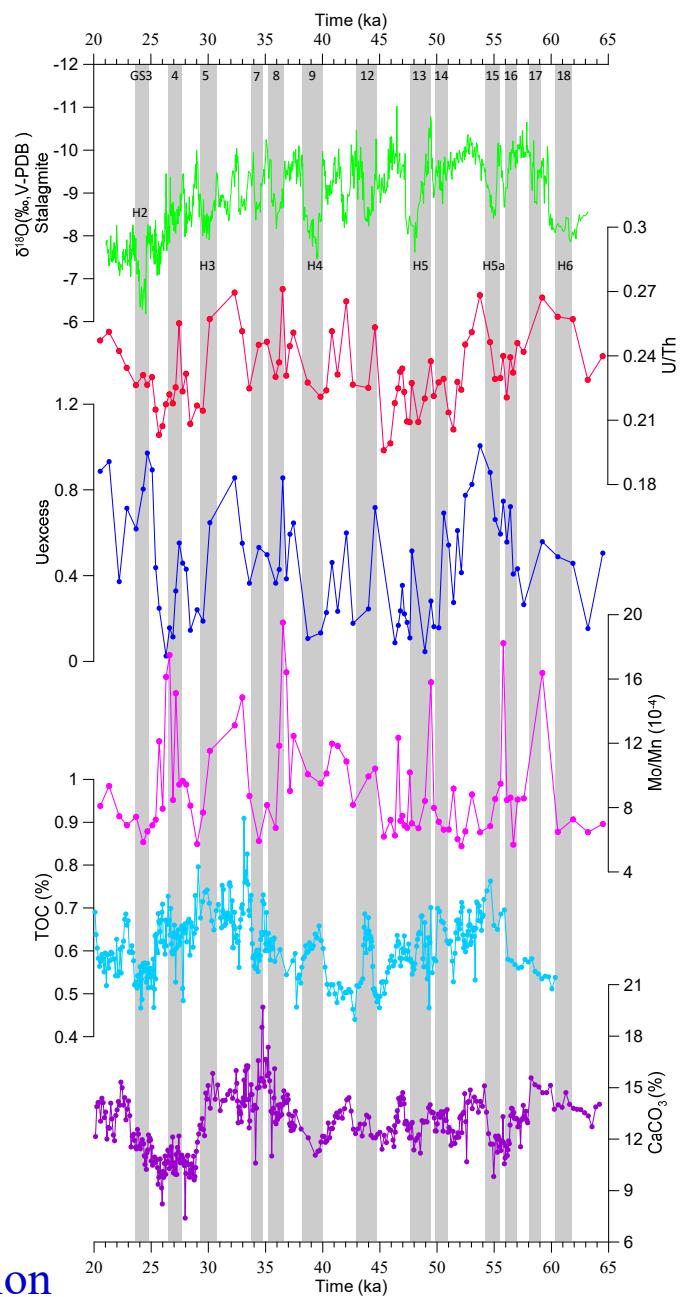
Millennial-scale subtropical ventilation during MIS3



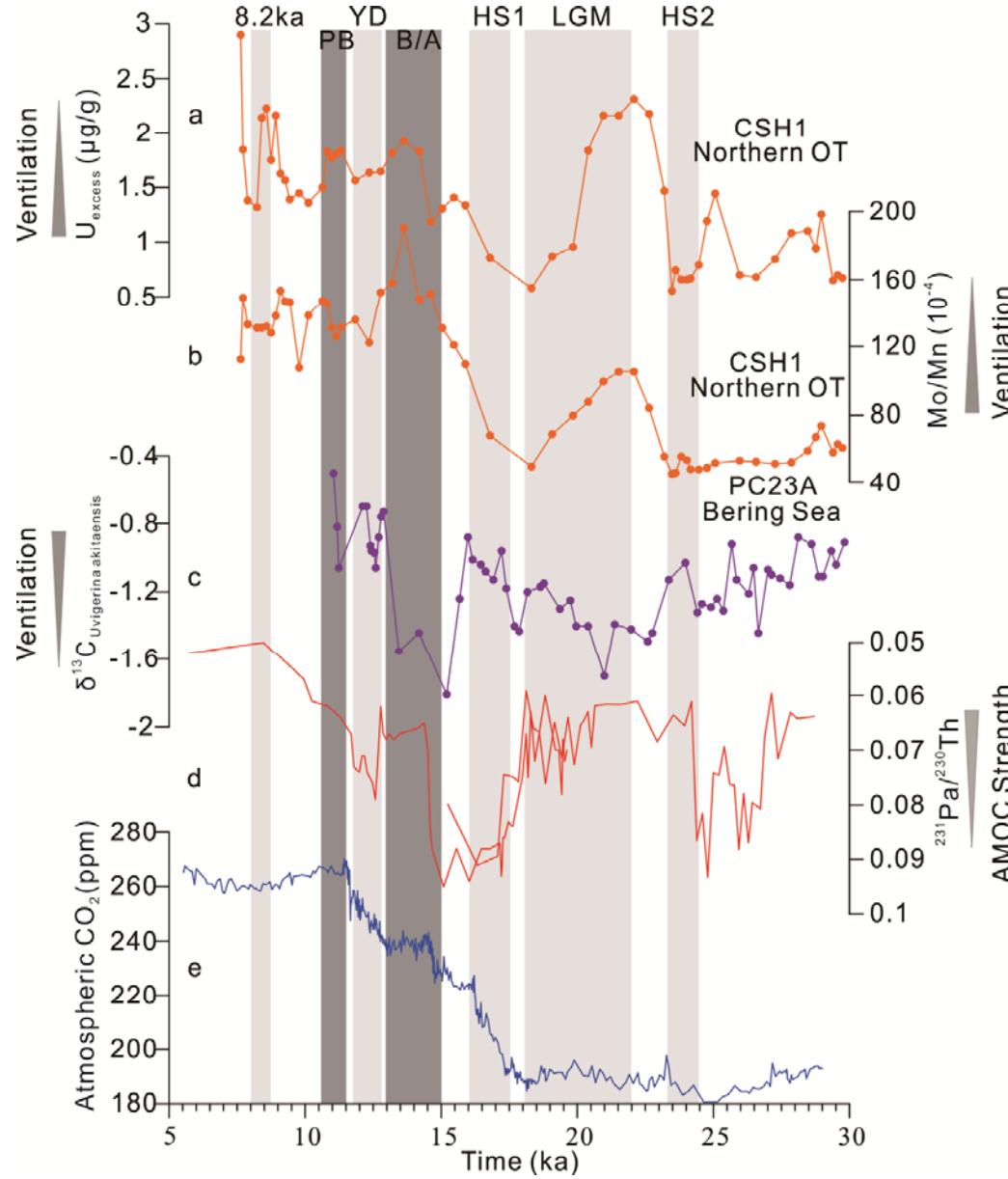
Correlation between $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{pf}}$ and $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{cave}}$

Zou et al. in preparation

Greenland stadials &
Heinrich Events:
Enhanced ventilation



Subtropical ventilation links to NADW



HS1, 2 & YD:

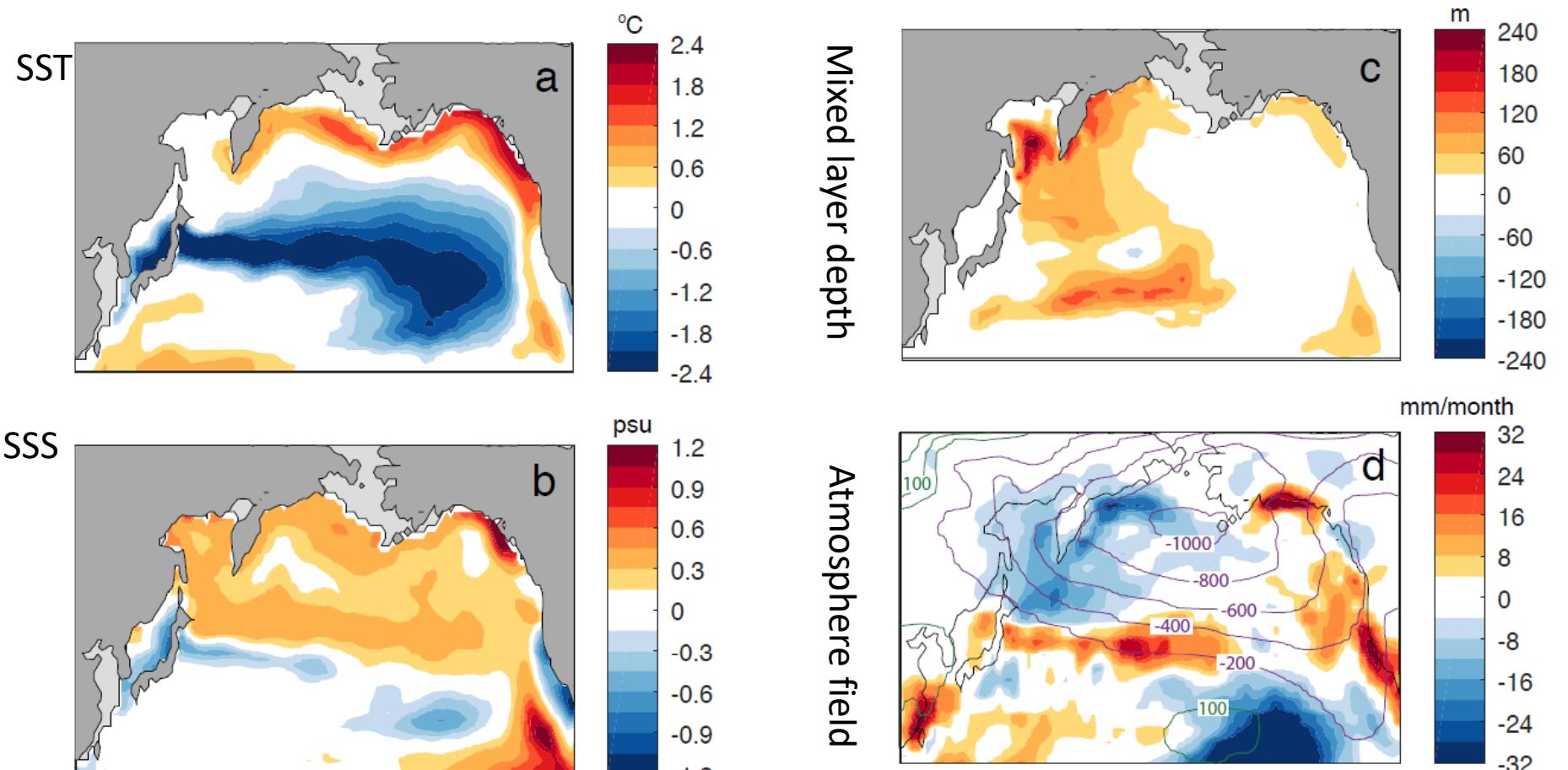
weak AMOC vs strong NPIW;
Enhanced north Pacific oceanic
interior stratification;

Reduced CO₂ outgassing;

B/A:

strong AMOC & weak NPIW
formation;
Enhanced upwelling of aged PDW
Enhanced storage of respiration CO₂ at
mid-depth water.

Model evidence for enhanced ventilation during HS1

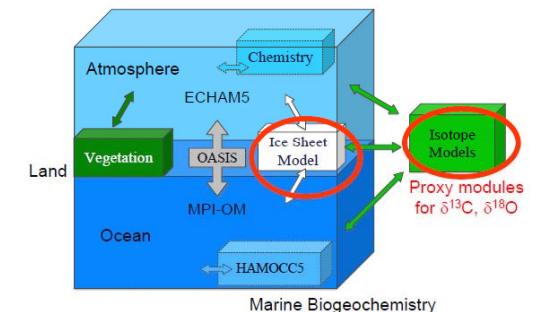


Xun et al. 2019

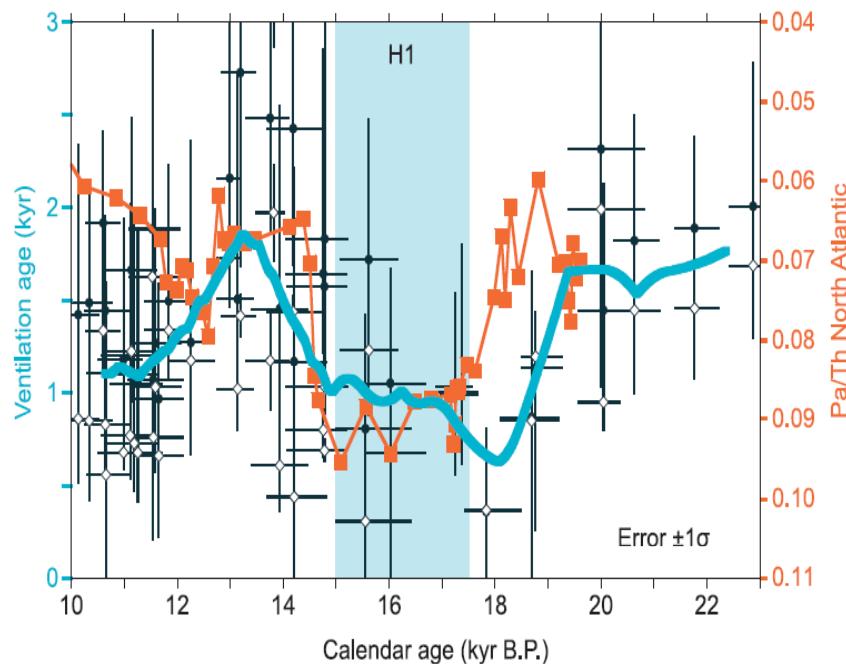
Decreased temperature
Increased salinity
Enhanced mixture layer
weakened precipitation

Favoring the
formation of NPIW

New developments within the ESM COSMOS:

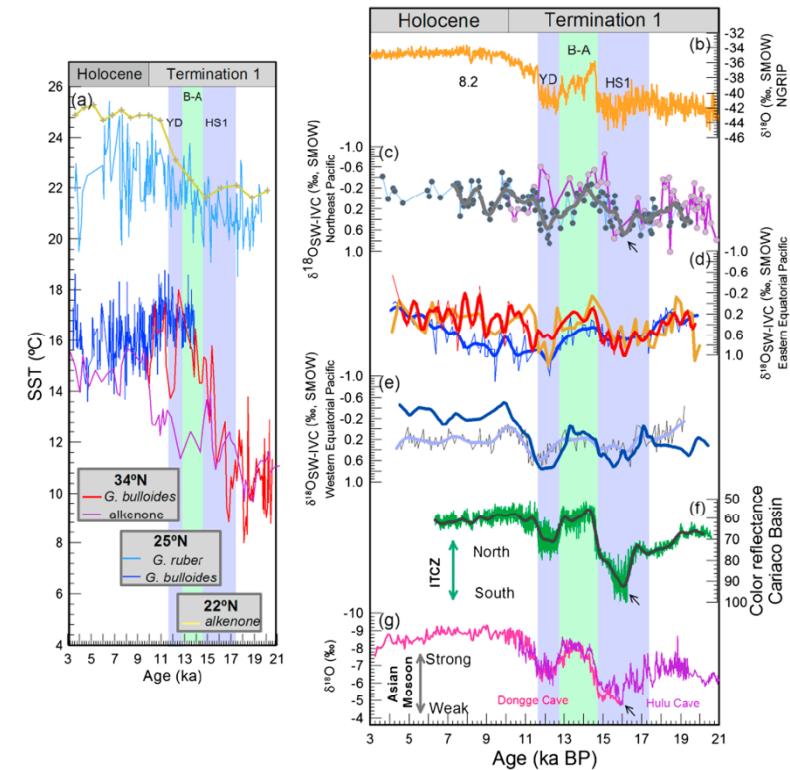


Oceanic teleconnection

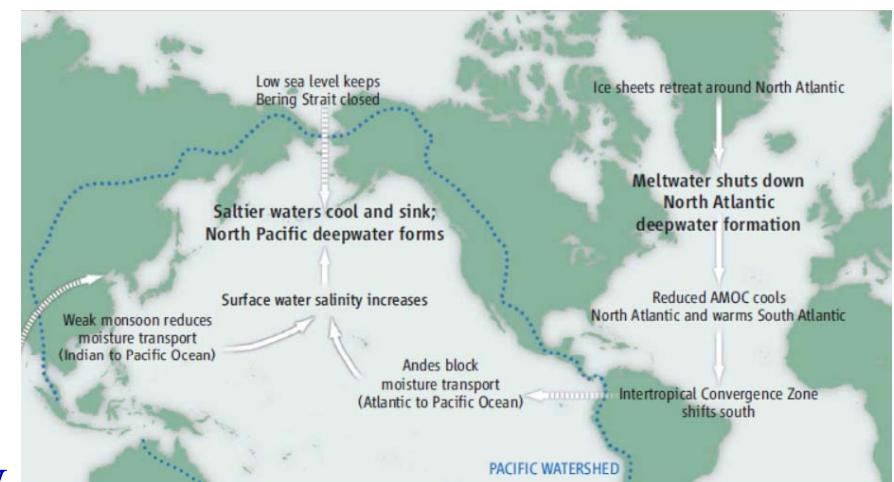


Okazaki et al. 2010 Science

- Cooling Northern Hemisphere
- enhanced sea ice cover
- ITCZ southward shift
- decreased summer Asian Monsoon
- decreased moisture transport
- increased SSS in the subtropic Pacific
- high saline water transported by PMOC
- enhanced formation and ventilation of NPIW



Rodríguez-Sanz et al. 2013



Atmospheric teleconnection

Cavalieri et al. 1987

JOURNAL OF GEOPHYSICAL RESEARCH, VOL. 92, NO. C7, PAGES 7141–7162, JUNE 30, 1987

Deepening of winter AL

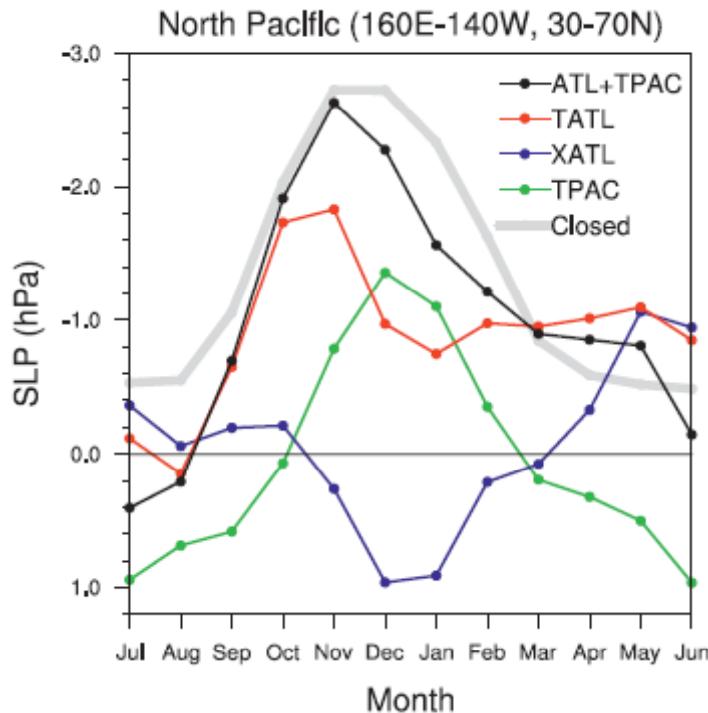


FIG. 12. Sea level pressure anomalies (hPa) averaged over the Aleutian low region (30° – 70° N, 160° E– 140° W) as a function of calendar month: CCSM2 closed Bering Strait experiment (thick gray) and CAM2 experiments forced with the CCSM2 SST/sea ice anomalies over the Atlantic and tropical Pacific (black), tropical Atlantic (red), extratropical North Atlantic (blue), and tropical Pacific (green, estimated by taking the difference between the Atlantic + tropical Pacific and Atlantic runs).

Okumura et al. 2009

On the Relationship Between Atmospheric Circulation and the Fluctuations in the Sea Ice Extents of the Bering and Okhotsk Seas

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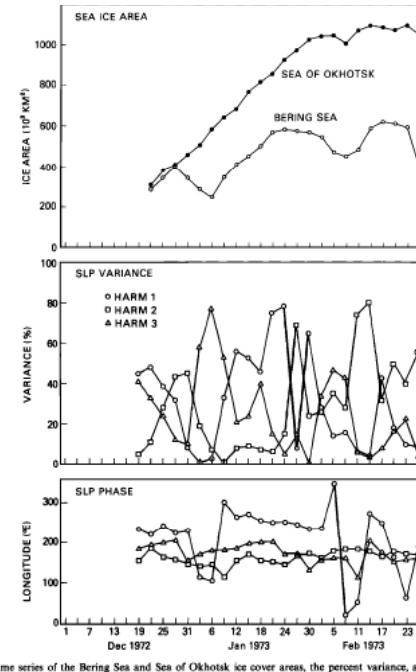


Fig. 8. Time series of the Bering Sea and Sea of Okhotsk ice cover areas, the percent variance, and phase of the sea level pressure, all for the winter of 1972–1973. The phase of each harmonic corresponds to the position of minimum amplitude or low pressure.

- Intensification and eastward shift of AL
- increased sea ice cover
- Active formation of NPIW
- Increased ventilation and oxic condition in the OT

Summary

- Drastic variations in ventilation and sedimentary oxygenation occurred in the subtropical North Pacific during the last glaciation.
- The North Pacific Intermediate Water is responsible for the variations in sedimentary oxygenation in the northern Okinawa Trough during the last deglacial and the glacial periods at millennial timescales.
- Persistent linkages between Atlantic Meridional Overturning Circulation and the ventilation of North Pacific Intermediate occurred at millennial timescales via atmospheric and oceanic teleconnections.

Thanks for your attention !