

Supplementary Material

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Supplementary Table 1: Correlation coefficients after Spearman's rank correlation of environmental parameters at ice stations. Temp: temperature, Sal: salinity, Chl *a*: chlorophyll *a* ice; Ice thick: ice thickness; Snow thick: snow thickness; Btm depth: bottom depth; light blue: correlation coefficient > 0.8; light grey: excluded parameters for PCA analysis; black: included parameters in PCA

<i>Environmental parameter</i>	<i>Temp</i>	<i>Sal</i>	<i>Chl a</i>	<i>Ice thick</i>	<i>Snow thick</i>	<i>Btm depth</i>
<i>Temp</i>		-0,50	0,09	0,40	-0,92	0,69
<i>Sal</i>			-0,57	-0,08	0,21	-0,14
<i>Chl a</i>				0,59	-0,28	0,46
<i>Ice thick</i>					-0,63	0,94
<i>Snow thick</i>						-0,82
<i>Btm depth</i>						

Supplementary Table 2: Correlation coefficients after Spearman's rank correlation of environmental parameters at SUIT stations. Temp: temperature; Sal: salinity, Chl *a*: chlorophyll *a* surface water; Ice thick: ice thickness; Ice cover: ice coverage; Btm depth: bottom depth; Ridge dens: ridge density; light blue: correlation coefficient > 0.8; light grey: excluded parameters for PCA analysis; black: included parameters in PCA

<i>Environmental parameter</i>	<i>Temp</i>	<i>Sal</i>	<i>Chl a</i>	<i>Ice thick</i>	<i>Ice cover</i>	<i>Btm depth</i>	<i>Ridge dens</i>
<i>Temp</i>		0,72	-0,97	0,92	-0,79	-0,59	-0,15
<i>Sal</i>			-0,93	0,74	-0,73	-0,91	-0,70
<i>Chl a</i>				-0,89	0,86	0,85	0,44
<i>Ice thick</i>					-0,72	-0,61	-0,22
<i>Ice cover</i>						0,82	0,38
<i>Btm depth</i>							0,70
<i>Ridge dens</i>							