Supplementary Information: Changing mid-twentieth century Antarctic sea ice variability linked to tropical forcing

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