

1 **Supplemental Material for “Sources of Seasonal Sea Ice Bias for CMIP6 Models in the**
 2 **Hudson Bay Complex”**

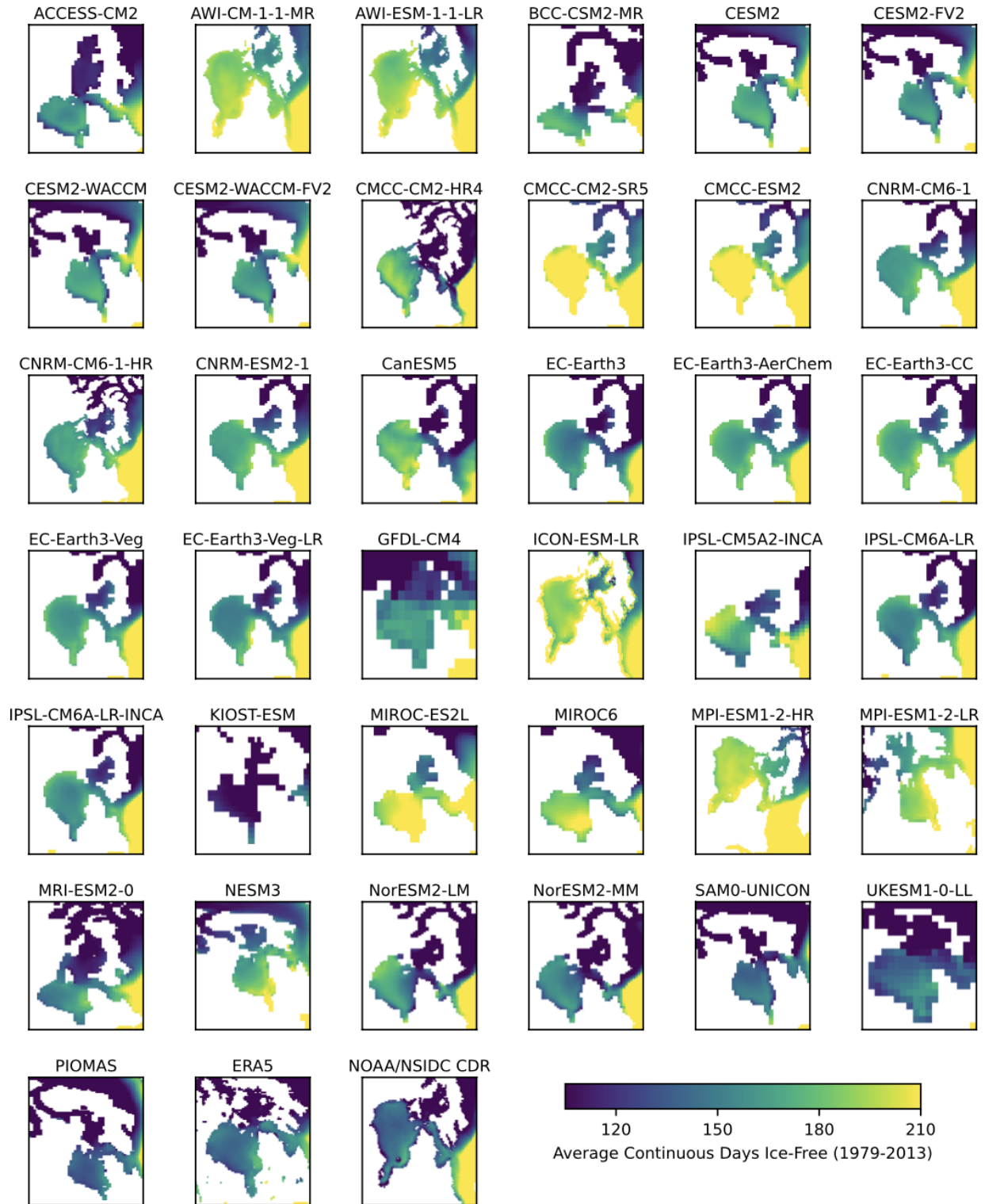
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 6 **Table S1: CMIP6 Models used in this study.** X’s mark models for which at least one of required variable(s) for each
 7 property was unavailable at the necessary temporal resolution from historical simulations when data were
 8 acquired in summer 2022. (All listed models provide daily sea ice concentration output.) The three models used to
 9 estimate internal variability (23 replicates each) are in bold.

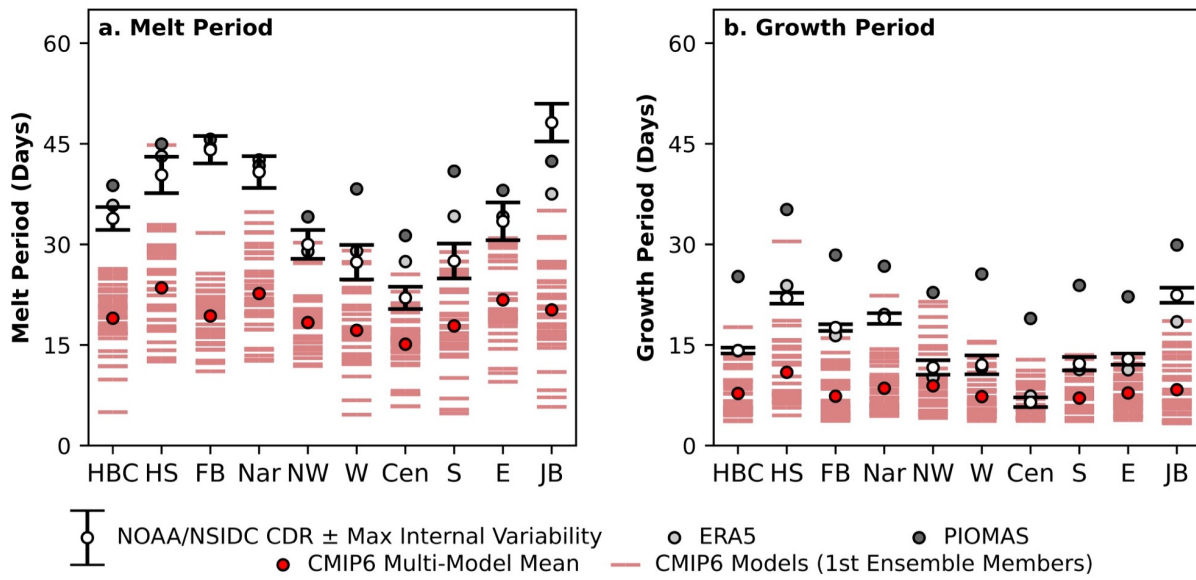
Model	Citation	Sea Ice Thickness & Dynamics	Surface Air & Ocean Temp.	Surface Wind	Albedo	Snow Depth
ACCESS-CM2	Bi et al. (2020)					
AWI-CM-1-1-MR	Semmler et al. (2020)				X	
AWI-ESM-1-1-LR	Semmler et al. (2020)					
BCC-CSM2-MR	Wu et al. (2021)					
BCC-ESM1	Wu et al. (2020)					
CanESM5	Swart et al. (2019)	X				
CESM2	Danabasoglu et al. (2020)			X		
CESM2-FV2	Danabasoglu et al. (2020)			X		
CESM2-WACCM	Danabasoglu et al. (2020)			X		
CESM2-WACCM-FV2	Danabasoglu et al. (2020)			X		
CMCC-CM2-HR4	Cherchi et al. (2019)	X				X
CMCC-CM2-SR5	Cherchi et al. (2019)				X	
CMCC-ESM2	Lovato et al. (2022)					
CNRM-CM6-1	Saint-Martin et al. (2021)					
CNRM-CM6-1-HR	Saint-Martin et al. (2021)					
CNRM-ESM2-1	Séférian et al. (2019)					
EC-Earth3	Döscher et al. (2021)					
EC-Earth3-AerChem	Döscher et al. (2021)					

EC-Earth3-CC	Döscher et al. (2021)					
EC-Earth3-Veg	Döscher et al. (2021)					
EC-Earth3-Veg-LR	Döscher et al. (2021)					
GFDL-CM4	Held et al. (2019)	X			X	
ICON-ESM-LR	Jungclaus et al. (2022)					
IPSL-CM5A2-INCA	Sepulchre et al. (2020)					X
IPSL-CM6A-LR	Boucher et al. (2020)					
IPSL-CM6A-LR-INCA	Boucher et al. (2020)	X				
KIOST-ESM	Pak et al. (2021)	X				X
MIROC-ES2L	Hajima et al. (2020)					
MIROC6	Tatebe et al. (2019)					
MPI-ESM1-2-HR	Müller et al. (2018)					
MPI-ESM1-2-LR	Mauritsen et al. (2019)					
MRI-ESM2-0	Yukimoto et al. (2019)					
NESM3	Cao et al. (2018)					
NorESM2-LM	Seland et al. (2020)				X	
NorESM2-MM	Seland et al. (2020)				X	
SAM0-UNICON	Park et al. (2019)	X			X	
UKESM1-0-LL	Sellar et al. (2019)	X				
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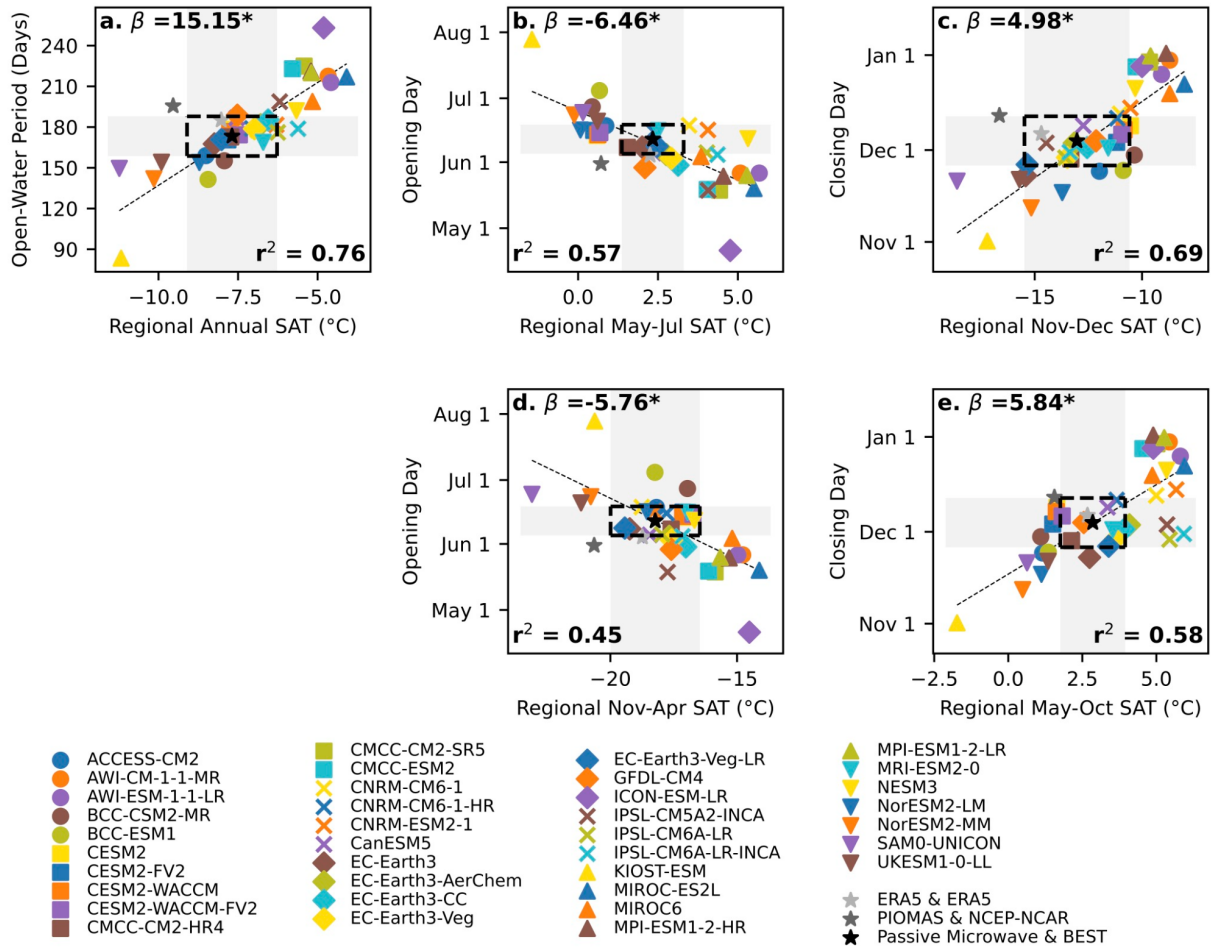
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Fig. S1: Average continuous ice-free period on native model grids (1979-2014) in the HBC, using the first replicate of each CMIP6 model. Also shown are the averages from the PIOMAS and ERA5 reanalyses and the NOAA/NSIDC CDR (based on passive microwave observations).

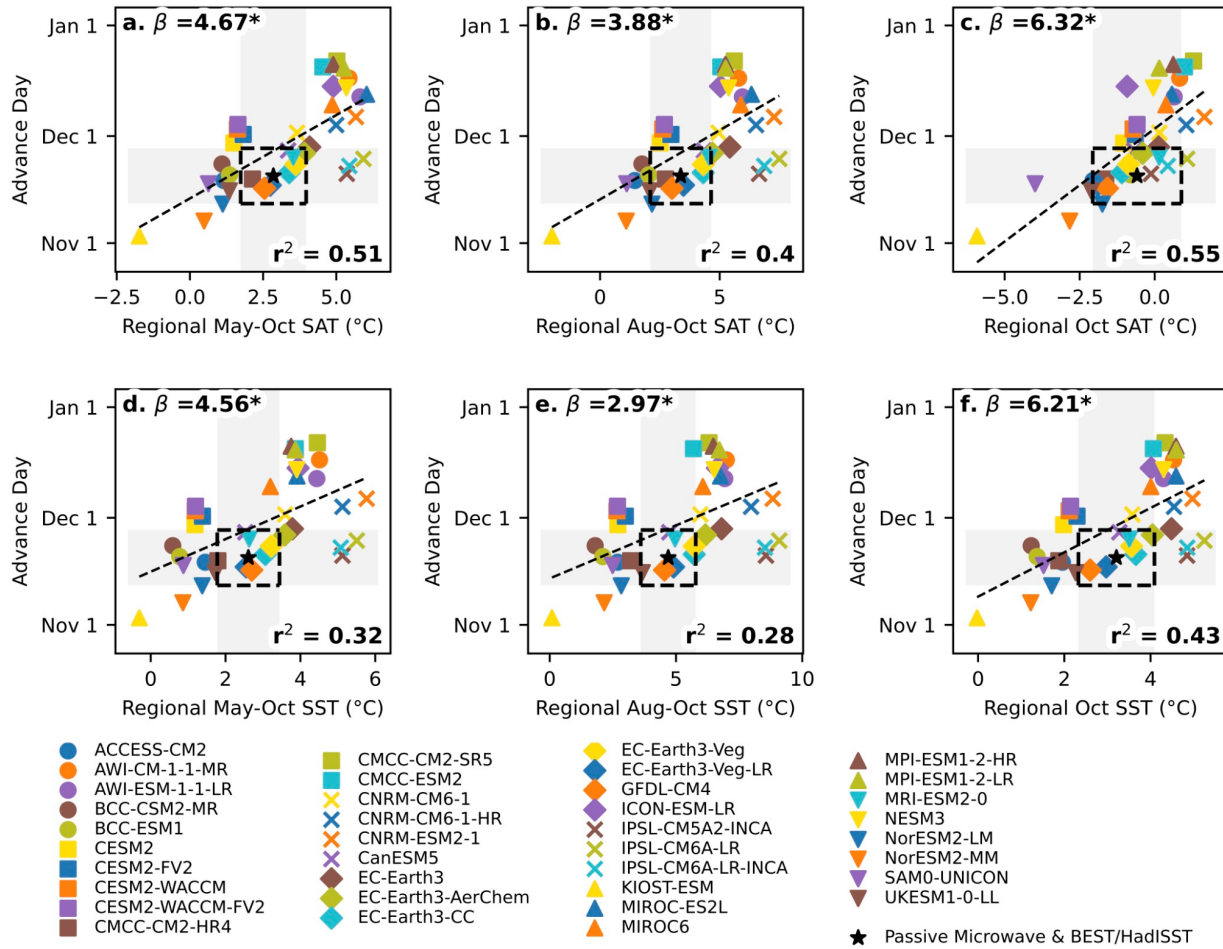


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Fig. S2: Melt period and growth period of sea ice in HBC (1979-2014). As in Figure 2, but for the melt period (days between opening (SIC < 80%) and retreat (SIC < 15%)) and the growth period (days between advance (SIC ≥ 15%) and closing (SIC ≥ 80%)).



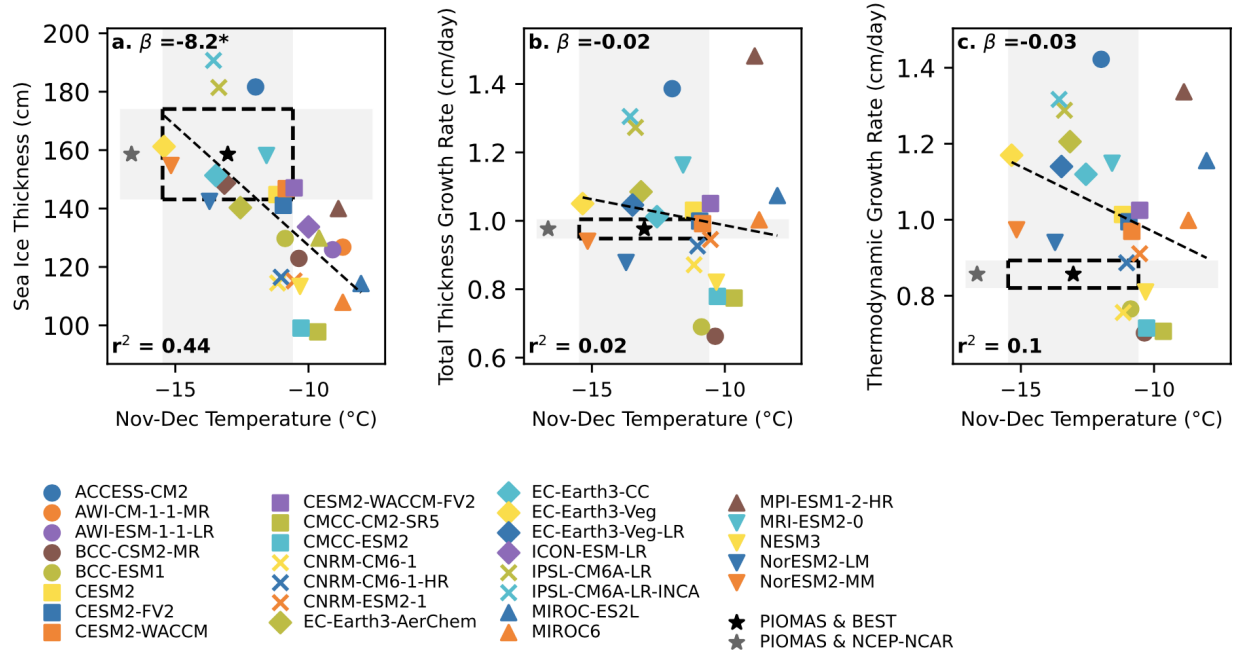
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 22 **Fig. S3: Scatter plots of HBC sea ice phenology versus average temperature (1979-2014).**
 23 Temperature is averaged annually for the open-water period (a,d), during the melt period (b) or the prior
 24 ice-covered period (e) for the opening day, and during the growth period (c) or prior ice-free period (f) for
 25 the closing day. All temperature aggregation is for the HBC region except (d), for which averaging is
 26 global.
 27 Black dashed boxes represent the range of internal variability ($\mu_{\text{obs}} \pm 2\sigma_{\text{max}}$). The dotted gray line
 28 represents the ordinary least-squares regression of each phenology variable against temperature. The
 29 slope of that line is printed at the top of each graph, and an asterisk indicates a significant trend ($p <$
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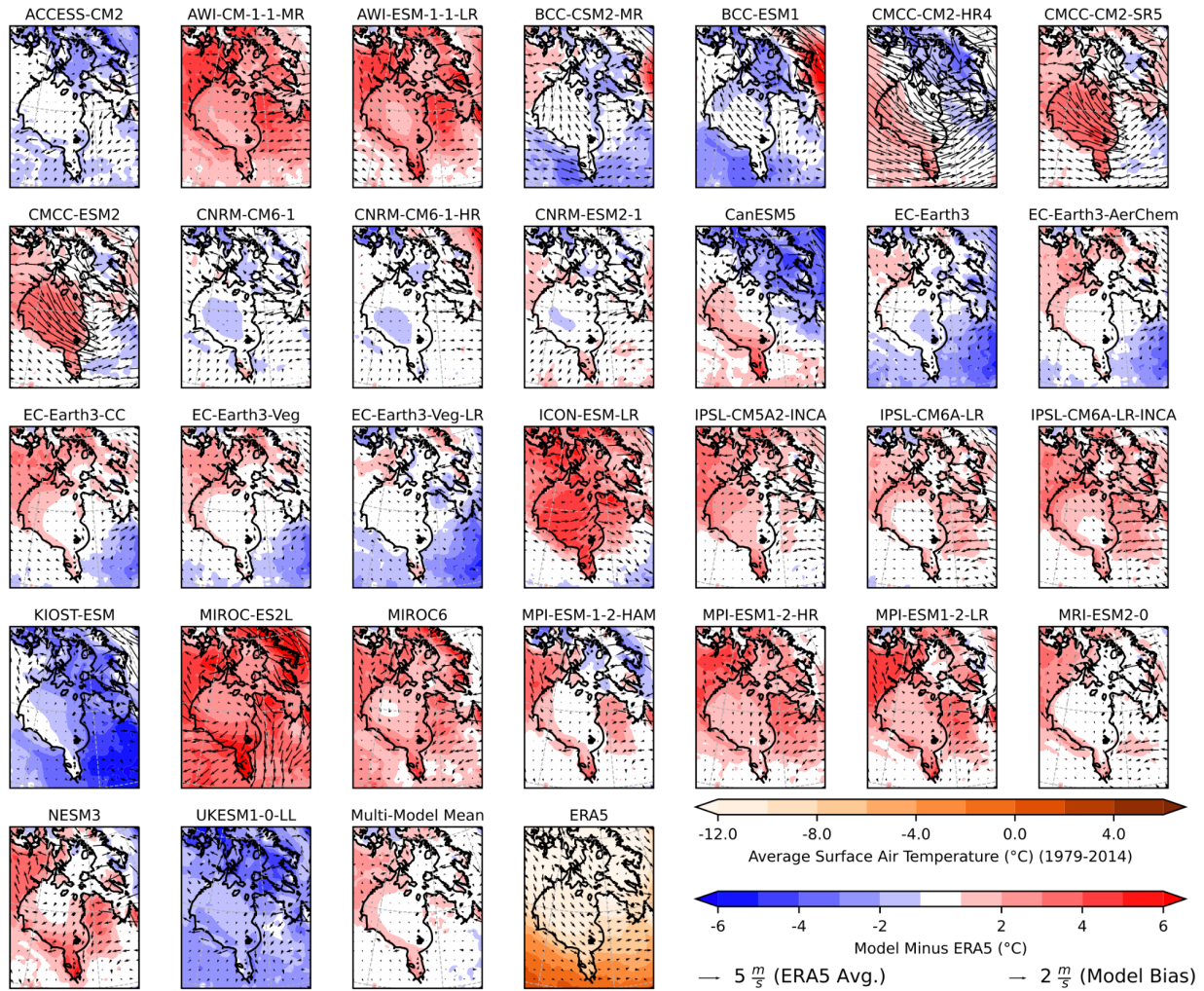
Fig. S4: Scatter plots of HBC sea ice advance day versus average temperature (1979-2014).

Surface temperature of the atmosphere (a-c) and ocean (d-f) is averaged for the ice melt and ice-free period (a,d), just the ice-free period (b,e) or October (c,f). All temperature aggregation is for HBC region. Solid black boxes represent the range of internal variability ($\mu_{\text{obs}} \pm 2\sigma_{\text{max}}$). The black dashed line represents the ordinary least-squares regression of sea ice advance day against temperature. The slope of that line is printed at the top of each graph, and an asterisk indicates a significant trend ($p < 0.05$).



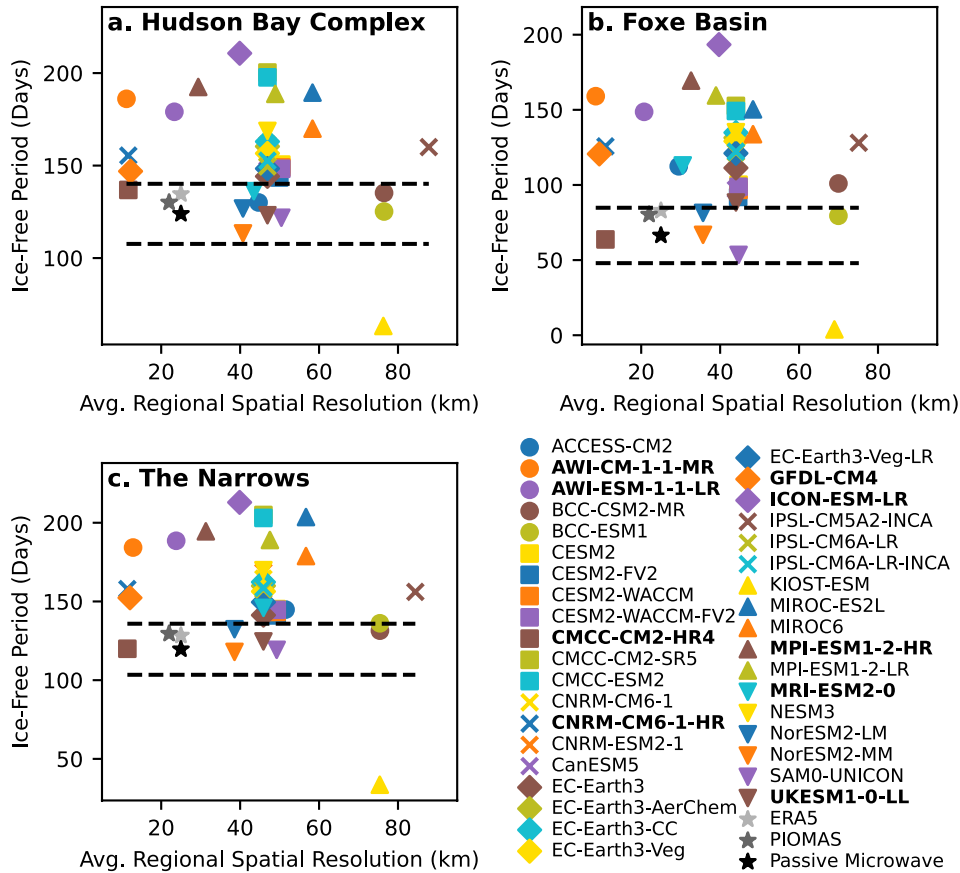
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 42 **Fig. S5: Scatter plots of sea ice growth versus autumn temperature (1979-2014) for the entire HBC.**
 43 Sea ice growth is defined by (a) the average April thickness, (b) the average rate of change in sea ice
 44 thickness from November to April, and (c) thermodynamic thickness change from November to April.
 45 Black dashed boxes and gray shading represent the range of internal variability ($\mu_{\text{obs}} \pm 2\sigma_{\text{max}}$). The dotted
 46 black line represents the ordinary least-squares regression of the y variables against temperature. The
 47 slope of that line is printed at the top of each graph, and an asterisk indicates a significant trend ($p <$
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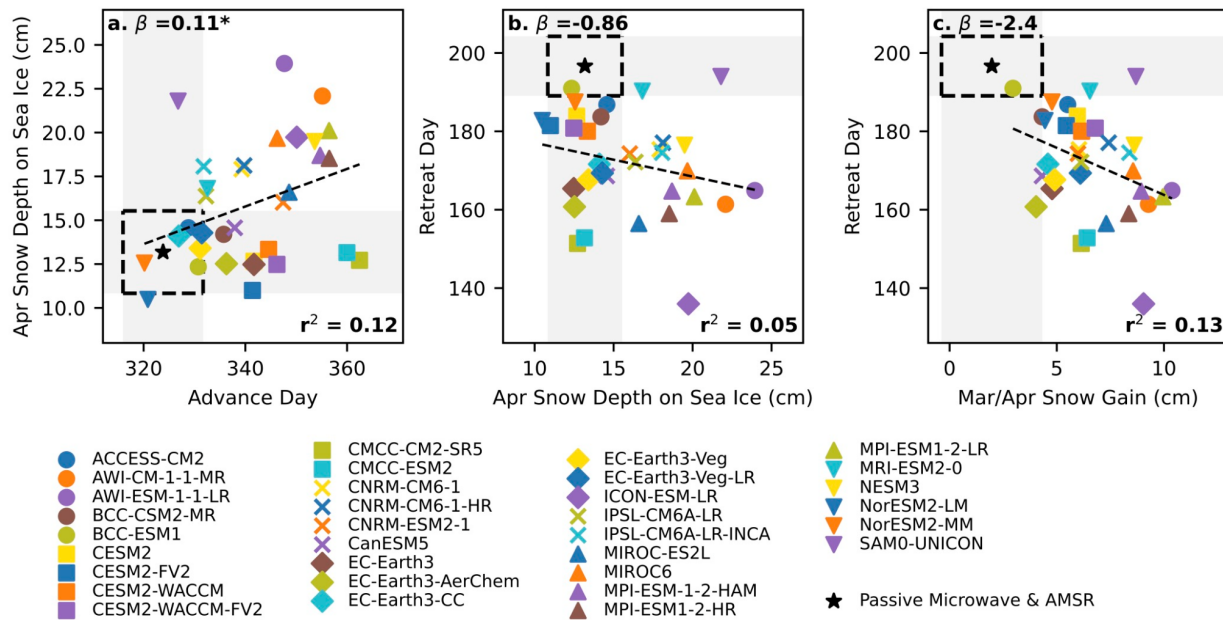
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Fig. S6: Model bias in 2-m air temperature and 10-m wind vectors during January-July (1979-2014), which roughly corresponds to the ice-covered season and melt season in HBC.



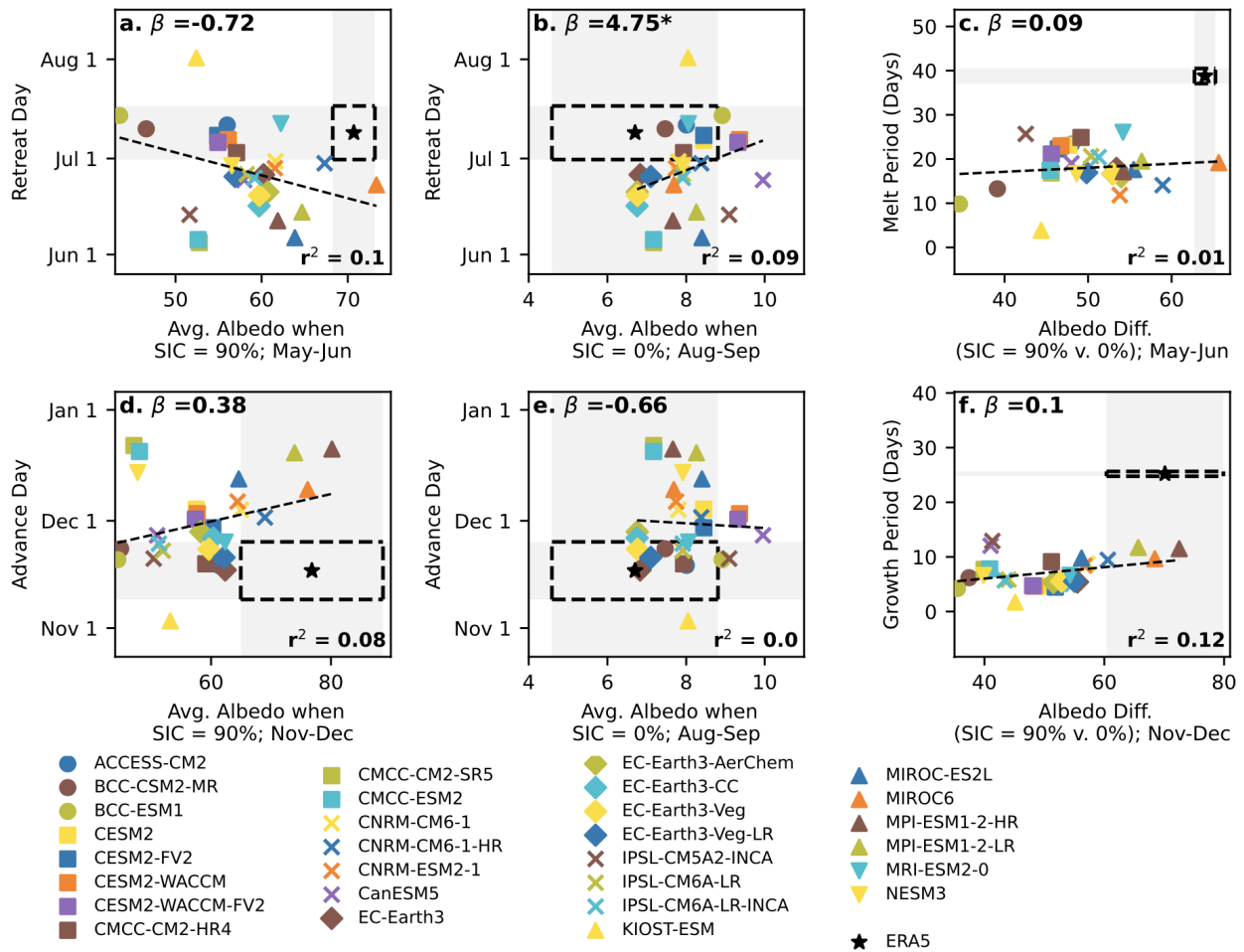
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Fig. S7: Scatter plots of the average ice-free period (1979-2014) versus average regional spatial resolution of the ocean grid in (a) HBC, (b) Foxe Basin, and (c) the Narrows. Black dashed lines represent the range of internal variability ($\mu_{\text{obs}} \pm 2\sigma_{\text{max}}$). Models listed in bold in the legend are those which include Fury and Hecla Strait. Despite the vast range of spatial resolution in these models, finer-resolution models do not perform demonstrably better than their coarser counterparts.



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 64 **Fig. S8: Relationship between sea ice phenology and snow depth on sea ice in HBC (1979-2014).**
 65 (a) Models with later advance day typically have *deeper* snow packs come April despite a shorter ice-
 66 covered period. (b) Several models have too much snow of sea ice in April (the last month of the ice-
 67 covered season), but this has no clear bearing on retreat day. (c) Snow depth increase during March and
 68 April (which is more likely to impact surface albedo) also has no clear relationship with retreat day,
 69 although most models have too much snow gain.

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 73 **Fig. S9: Scatter plots of sea ice phenology versus surface albedo in HBC (1979-2014).** Average
 74 retreat day in each model is compared to sea ice albedo during May-June (a), and advance day is
 75 compared to sea ice albedo during Nov-Dec (b). Both retreat and advance are also compared to the
 76 albedo of open water (c,e). The melt period (c) and growth period (f) are compared to the difference in
 77 albedo between sea ice and open water in the appropriate season. Note that SIC of 90% is used instead
 78 of 100% because few instances of SIC at 100% exist in either models or observations. Black dashed
 79 boxes and gray shading represent the range of internal variability ($\mu_{\text{obs}} \pm 2\sigma_{\text{max}}$). The dotted black line
 80 represents the ordinary least-squares regression of period length against sensitivity. (Neither coefficient is
 81 significant at $p < 0.05$.)

82 There also is no significant relationship between a model's growth period or melt period and the
 83 difference between albedo of the sea ice and ocean.

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