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## **Reply on RC1**

Younjoo J. Lee et al.

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We sincerely thank the reviewer for taking the time to provide helpful comments and have addressed them carefully in the revised manuscript.

As the reviewer suggested, the major revision of this manuscript is the expanded analysis of observed polynyas including the December period from 1979.

Also, we expanded the analysis of RASM ensembles for the winter months from December to March.

Please see attached the pdf files for the detailed responses.

Thank you.

Please also note the supplement to this comment: <u>https://tc.copernicus.org/preprints/tc-2021-279/tc-2021-279-AC1-supplement.pdf</u>