### 1 Supplementary Information for

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# **3 Glacial Southern Ocean Deep Water Nd Isotopic Composition**

## 4 Dominated by Benthic Modification

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- 19 Other supplementary materials for this manuscript: Dataset S1

#### 20 1. Age models

For core PS 1768-8, we used the age model of Huang, et al. <sup>1</sup> for ages < 19 ka and > 116 ka. For the new measurements at core PS 1768-8, filling the gap of Huang, et al. <sup>1</sup> between 19 ka and 116 ka, the age models of <sup>2,3</sup> were refined by tuning of  $\delta^{18}$ O from *N. pachyderma* <sup>4</sup> to  $\delta$ D from Vostok ice core on the AICC2012 chronology <sup>5-7</sup> (Fig. S1), in a similar manner as done by Huang et al. for Termination I and II. Therefore, we built a coherent dataset with the existing  $\epsilon$ Nd measurements and age model optimizations of Huang and co-workers <sup>1</sup> verified by the matching  $\epsilon$ Nd values at the tie points of both studies (see also fig. S4).

For ODP 1093 the age model was revised based on existing studies <sup>8-10</sup> and a graphical correlation of  $\delta^{18}$ O-data of *N. pachyderma* <sup>11</sup> to the Vostok ice core  $\delta$ D record on the AICC2012 chronology <sup>5-7</sup> (Fig. S2).

The tie points of the age models can be accessed in the attached Dataset S1. Due to the lack of foraminifera,  $\delta^{18}$ O data is sparse at both sites and the graphical correlation can show uncertainties.

A few sediment samples (n = 19) of ODP 1093 are not from the shipboard splice. Using magnetic susceptibility and color reflectance data <sup>11-13</sup>, we ensured that the meter-composite-depth (mcd) of these samples matches with the splice. However, minor differences could lead to deviations of up to ~3 ka (~0.5 m), as also discussed within the manuscript.



**Fig. S1:** Age model of core PS 1768-8. The blue curve shows the  $\delta D$  from Vostok ice core on the AICC2012 chronology <sup>5-7</sup>, the red curve is the  $\delta^{18}O$  from *N. pachyderma* of core PS 1768-8<sup>4</sup>. Tie-Points marked by grey lines (see dataset 1). For Tie-Points younger than 19 ka and older than 116 ka (grey





**Fig. S2:** Age model of core ODP 1093. The blue curve shows the δD from Vostok ice core on the AICC2012 chronology <sup>5-7</sup>, the red curve is the  $\delta^{18}$ O-data of *N. pachyderma* of core ODP 1093 <sup>11</sup>. Tie-Points marked by grey lines (see dataset 1).

#### 47 **2. Test of the Leaching Protocol**

- 48 The applied leaching protocol was compared to a later published very short 10s leaching protocol, to
- 49 access the potential influence at the studied sites.



- 50 Fig. S3: Comparison of the used leaching protocol <sup>14</sup> and the 10s leaching protocol <sup>15</sup>. Small differences
- 51 are observed for radiogenic samples. The maximal observed shift of 1.1 εNd is indicated as additional
- 52 error bar in Fig. 2. This offset cannot explain the observed glacial-interglacial variability of up to 6  $\epsilon$ Nd.
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#### **3. Comparison between leachate and seawater Nd isotope compositions**

- 55 The authigenic ɛNd records are compared with published nearby seawater values, planktonic
- 56 foraminifera in a nearby core, picked opal values, detrital measurements and volcanic material.



58 Fig. S4: The presented authigenic ɛNd records compared with published ɛNd data of different 59 components. Comparison with nearby seawater data (station 104, 4440 m and station 113, 2400 m) <sup>16</sup>, opal data of PS 1768-8 <sup>1</sup>, compositions of Holocene and glacial-aged planktic foraminifera εNd 60 measurements of nearby core TN057-13PC4 <sup>17</sup> shows that the leachates represent the authigenic 61 62 fraction. Comparison with detrital ɛNd of ODP 109318, PS1768-8 1, nearby site ODP 1094 18,19 and 63 volcanic material (single ash grains – SAG, glass, mixed clear minerals – CM) <sup>17</sup> shows that the observed 64 trends in the authigenic cNd records of this study are not reflecting the detrital material or individual 65 terrigenous components. Further, the red circles mark overlapping samples of authigenic ɛNd in 66 PS1768-8 and demonstrate that the leached samples of this study (diamonds) are perfectly in line with 67 another study/laboratory by Huang, et al. <sup>1</sup> (squares).

#### 68 4. Assessing the effect of sediment composition



Fig S5: εNd at site ODP 1093 compared with bulk sediment composition (data from the scientific report of ODP Leg 177<sup>13</sup>) a) Bulk opal content b, c) Bulk carbonate content.

The sediment is characterized by high opal concentration and low carbonate content. The carbonate
 concentration is higher during interglacial periods. However, the εNd is not controlled by the carbonate

content, as we observe almost the full observed range in  $\epsilon$ Nd from -7 to -2 for carbonate free samples.





Fig S6: εNd compared with IRD content of PS1768-8<sup>20</sup>.

The IRD input of the investigated sites is also climatically controlled. Glacial and cold periods are marked by higher IRD input at the sites compared to the interglacials. However, the sharp terminations observed in the Nd isotopic composition are not exactly coherent with the start of IRD input. We further measure the full range in εNd for sections with no IRD. Thus, the observed main climate signal is not controlled by IRD input. Nevertheless, the most radiogenic values at 20 ka BP might be to some extend influenced by a significant IRD event in this region.

#### 87 5. Potential dust influence on Nd leaching

Bust input (as indicated by Fe fluxes) is increased during colder climates<sup>8,21</sup>, as it is also controlled by
 glacial-interglacial changes. Thus, the εNd signature and the dust input are climatically controlled and a

90 strong correlation is not surprising, as seen at ODP Site 1093.



Fig S7: a) εNd and Fe concentration as a measure of dust concentration in the sediment of ODP Site
 1093. Fe data from <sup>8</sup>. b) Linear regression of iron concentration vs. εNd.

However, we can clearly identify two groups, one with high dust input (mainly glacials) and one with low

94 dust input (mainly interglacial). If we perform the linear regression on the two groups separately, the

95 correlation vanishes, which indicates a case of the Simpson's paradox.





97 Thus, the measured leaches are independent from changes in the dust content or sediment composition.

98 Almost the whole range in εNd was measured regardless of whether the sediment section bears high or

99 low Fe content. An observed correlation is therefore not necessarily a causal consequence or

100 explanation; both signals are rather simply climatically controlled.

#### 101 6. Model experiment

- 102 To further test the hypothesis of a large-scale Pacific intrusion into the Atlantic Section of the Southern
- 103 Ocean, we run an Ocean general circulation model simulation (FESOM2.0). A tracer was released in
- 104 the Equatorial East Pacific (seafloor to 1000m), and compared for a present day and LGM run.
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107 **Fig. S9:** Initial tracer distribution and after 350 running years after model stabilization.





**Fig. S10:**  $\epsilon$ Nd at Site ODP 1093 and PS1768-8<sup>-1</sup> and authigenic Pb at Site ODP 1094<sup>-1</sup> across Termination I. Shift in  $\epsilon$ Nd at ODP 1093 starts earlier than in PS1768-8 and in two steps. The first step is synchronous to the shift in authigenic Pb (ODP 1094) and the second one synchronous to the change in  $\epsilon$ Nd in PS1768-8.

#### 115 8. εNd data compilation

116 To obtain more information about the water mass distribution in different depths and to place our results 117 in a larger perspective, existing ɛNd data of the SO and South Atlantic south of 29°S were compiled and 118 extended by the novel results of this study to develop glacial and interglacial ENd depth profiles of the 119 Atlantic section of the SO (Fig. 6, S10). The core locations, water depths, ENd data and references can 120 be found in Dataset S1. The influences of various locations must be considered, as latitudinal and 121 longitudinal differences lead to variations in the ENd signal. For example, core locations further north in 122 the Cape Basin are reached from a much higher amount of NADW flowing along the eastern Atlantic 123 margin southward. This leads to less radiogenic ɛNd values. The data was limited to locations east of 124 the Drake-Passage and west of Cape Agulhas (20°E), as well as latitudes south of 29°S. All these 125 locations are within a similar Coriolis driven flow path of water moving north and south.

126 To complete the lack of sediment derived  $\epsilon$ Nd data from < 1000 m water depth, we include cold-water 127 coral  $\epsilon$ Nd data for the upper water column from the Drake Passage <sup>22</sup>.



Fig. S11: Overview map of the core sites, which are shown with similar symbols in Figure 2. The small
 circles show the different core sites used for the compilation leading to Figure 6. Arrows show the main
 deep water pathways. The bathymetry is based on ETOPO1 Global Relief Model <sup>23</sup>.

- **Dataset S1 (separate file):** Excel file containing measured εNd data, core compilation and age model
- tie points.

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