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## **Supplementary Material**

# **Distribution and characteristics of overdeepenings beneath the Greenland and Antarctic ice sheets: Implications for overdeepening origin and evolution**

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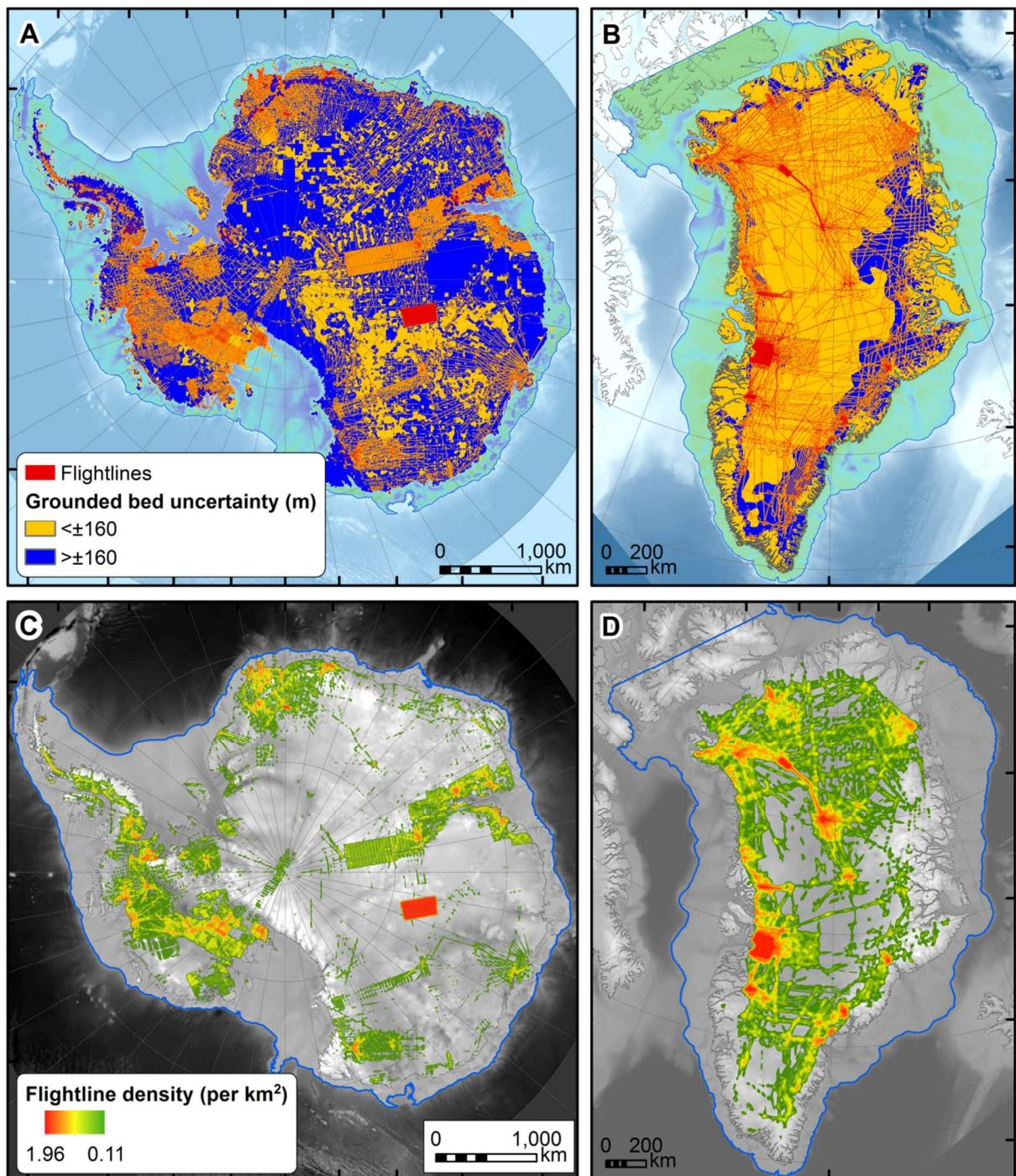


Figure S1. Greenland and Bedmap2 flightline coverage and bed-elevation uncertainty. A and B. Absolute bed-elevation uncertainty with airborne radar flight lines overlaid. C and D. Flightline data density maps were used by Patton et al. (2015) to develop quality control criteria for metric analyses based on the density of flightline data within a 10-km radius of each grid cell . Data sources: (Bamber et al., 2013a; Fretwell et al., 2013). Continental shelf topography is derived from the GEBCO 2008 bathymetric compilation mosaiced with sub-ice shelf data sourced from a recent compilation (Timmermann et al., 2010).

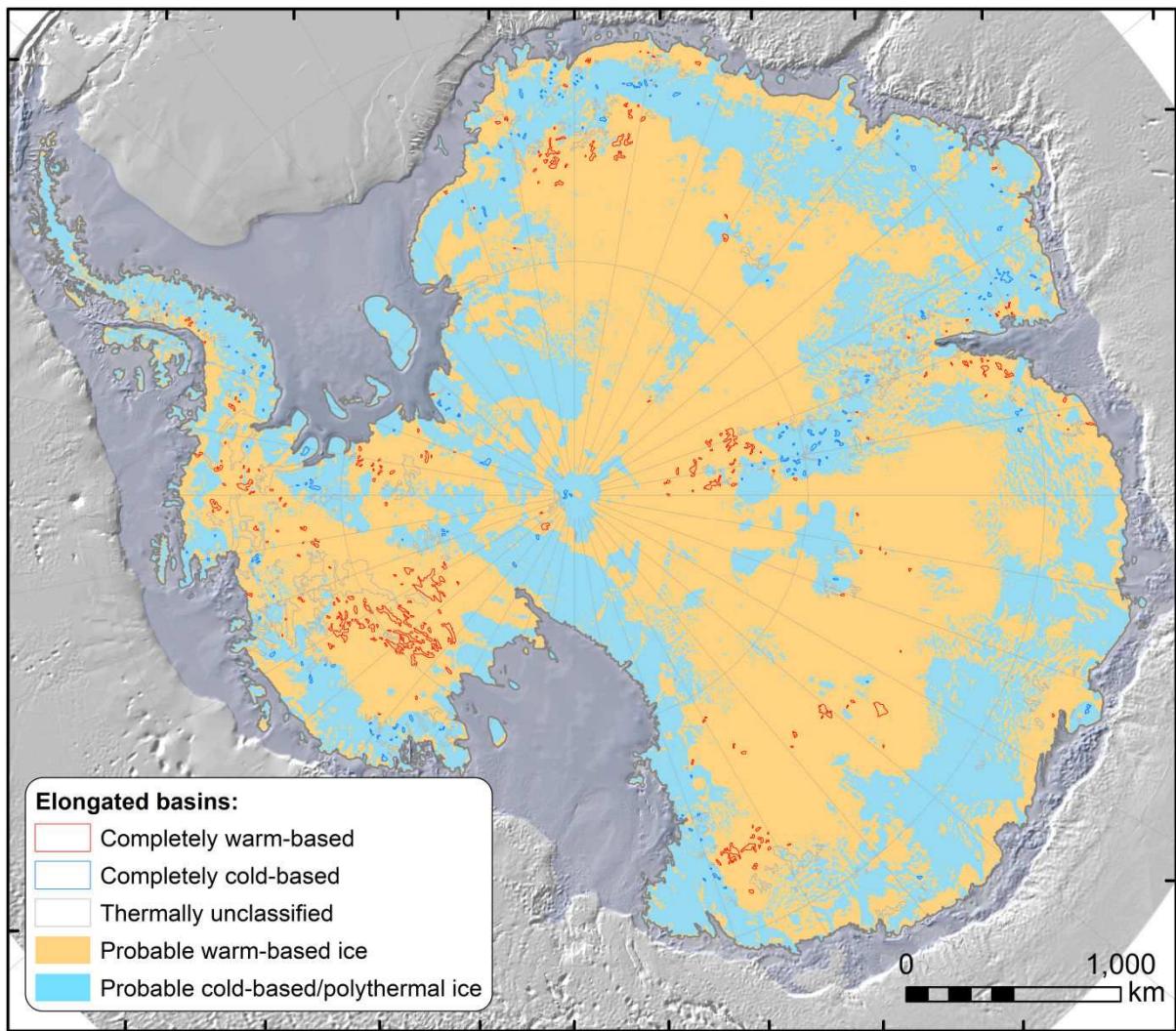


Figure S2. Mapped depressions classified according the modelled, subglacial thermal-regime of the present-day Antarctic ice sheet. Data source: (Pattyn, 2010).

Table S1. Morphological properties of overdeepenings as indicated by values from the metric dataset.

	Antarctica			Greenland		
	Mean	Median	$\pm \sigma$	Mean	Median	$\pm \sigma$
<b>Depth (m)</b>						
Elongated	222	169	$\pm 178$	227	173	$\pm 195$
Elongated and topographically confined	290	233	$\pm 206$	360	296	$\pm 249$
<b>Length (km)</b>						
Elongated	52.3	22.5	$\pm 340.2$	22.2	17.1	$\pm 16.5$
Elongated and topographically confined	63.6	22.3	$\pm 481.4$	24.5	16.8	$\pm 21.1$
<b>Width (km)</b>						
Elongated	8.5	6.8	$\pm 6.3$	5.6	4.9	$\pm 3.2$
Elongated and topographically confined	8.0	6.4	$\pm 6.8$	5.6	5.0	$\pm 3.4$
<b>Elongation ratio</b>						
Elongated	4.43	3.36	$\pm 8.77$	4.05	3.43	$\pm 2.15$
Elongated and topographically confined	4.92	3.41	$\pm 12.10$	4.40	3.70	$\pm 2.74$
<b>Lip elevation (m a.s.l.)</b>						
Elongated	-105	-150	$\pm 672$	359	250	$\pm 469$
Elongated and topographically confined	81	0	$\pm 669$	649	600	$\pm 569$
<b>Surface Area (km<sup>2</sup>)</b>						
Elongated	468	140	$\pm 1584$	138	74	$\pm 241$
Elongated and topographically confined	469	135	$\pm 1931$	161	73	$\pm 349$
<b>Adverse-slope length (km)</b>						
Elongated	25.6	11.2	$\pm 97.7$	12.5	9.2	$\pm 9.5$
Elongated and topographically confined	26.9	10.4	$\pm 110.7$	13.8	9.6	$\pm 11.8$
<b>Mean adverse-slope gradient</b>						
Elongated	0.018	0.013	$\pm 0.019$	0.023	0.017	$\pm 0.023$
Elongated and topographically confined	0.024	0.018	$\pm 0.022$	0.036	0.030	$\pm 0.030$
<b>Asymmetry (%)</b>						
Elongated	-14.6	-20.7	$\pm 40.6$	-20.3	-22.0	$\pm 36.0$
Elongated and topographically confined	-14.5	-18.8	$\pm 40.8$	-22.3	-21.6	$\pm 37.8$
<b>Adverse slope to surface slope relation</b>						
Elongated	-4.23	-3.02	$\pm 3.85$	-3.64	-2.51	$\pm 3.43$
Elongated and topographically confined	-4.55	-3.20	$\pm 4.04$	-3.69	-2.17	$\pm 4.20$

Table S2. Morphological properties of overdeepenings within warm and cold-based regions of the Antarctic ice sheet as indicated by values from the metric dataset

	Mean warm/cold	Median warm/cold	$\pm \sigma$ warm/cold
<b>Depth (m)</b>			
Elongated	145/225	119/176	$\pm 92/169$
Elongated and topo. confined	183/265	141/235	$\pm 114/159$
All depressions	148/238	124/196	$\pm 95/164$
<b>Length (km)</b>			
Elongated	33.8/20.6	20.7/16.6	$\pm 35.8/16.7$
Elongated and topo. confined	25.9/20.0	18.3/16.5	$\pm 21.9/17.9$
All depressions	29.8/19.5	18.3/15.9	$\pm 32.3/16.4$
<b>Width (km)</b>			
Elongated	8.0/6.3	6.4/5.5	$\pm 5.0/3.4$
Elongated and topo. confined	6.6/6.1	6.1/5.2	$\pm 3.8/3.5$
All depressions	7.7/6.3	6.3/5.6	$\pm 4.6/3.3$
<b>Elongation ratio</b>			
Elongated	3.92/3.26	3.16/2.90	$\pm 2.26/1.27$
Elongated and topo. confined	3.84/3.31	3.10/2.98	$\pm 1.63/1.35$
All depressions	3.62/3.11	2.94/2.76	$\pm 2.15/1.32$
<b>Lip elevation (m a.s.l.)</b>			
Elongated	-432/498	-500/525	$\pm 571/606$
Elongated and topo. confined	-235/593	-400/600	$\pm 707/562$
All depressions	-402/544	-475/550	$\pm 584/590$
<b>Surface Area (km<sup>3</sup>)</b>			
Elongated	336/133	116/75	$\pm 718/163$
Elongated and topo. confined	206/122	90/72	$\pm 381/159$
All depressions	284/124	103/74	$\pm 631/153$
<b>Adverse-slope length (km)</b>			
Elongated	18.5/11.1	10.5/8.2	$\pm 20.3/12.1$
Elongated and topo. confined	14.2/11.4	8.1/8.4	$\pm 16.3/13.8$
All depressions	16.4/10.8	9.4/7.9	$\pm 18.8/12.1$
<b>Mean adverse-slope gradient</b>			
Elongated	0.012/0.027	0.009/0.019	$\pm 0.009/0.026$
Elongated and topo. confined	0.019/0.031	0.016/0.024	$\pm 0.012/0.026$
All depressions	0.013/0.028	0.011/0.021	$\pm 0.010/0.025$

Table S3. Correlation matrices for metrics extracted for overdeepenings in the quality controlled metric dataset. Grey cells indicate correlations that are not significant at  $p < 0.05$ .

	Depth	Width	Length	SurfArea	ASLength	AdvGrad	a:sRatio	ER
Antarctica (all)	Width	0.454						
	Length	0.426	0.835					
	SurfArea	0.480	0.938	0.943				
	ASLength	0.350	0.672	0.843	0.773			
	AdvGrad	0.478	-0.264	-0.448	-0.338	-0.656		
	a:sRatio	-0.202	0.011	0.198	0.092	0.386	-0.525	
	ER	0.203	0.267	0.754	0.530	0.674	-0.468	0.333
	LipElev	0.116	-0.231	-0.213	-0.241	-0.205	0.286	-0.135
Antarctica Topo Confined	Depth							
	Width	0.459						
	Length	0.398	0.820					
	SurfArea	0.481	0.936	0.929				
	ASLength	0.342	0.656	0.855	0.764			
	AdvGrad	0.451	-0.267	-0.504	-0.352	-0.684		
	a:sRatio	-0.239	0.020	0.215	0.078	0.397	-0.562	
	ER	0.142	0.231	0.747	0.492	0.691	-0.546	0.342
Greenland (all)	Depth							
	Width	0.290						
	Length	0.278	0.720					
	SurfArea	0.320	0.888	0.925				
	ASLength	0.186	0.506	0.805	0.713			
	AdvGrad	0.763	-0.076	-0.283	-0.185	-0.492		
	a:sRatio	-0.187	-0.156	0.106	-0.037	0.328	-0.381	
	ER	0.056	-0.147	0.580	0.277	0.553	-0.314	0.335
Greenland Topo Confined	Depth							
	Width	0.428						
	Length	0.383	0.734					
	SurfArea	0.464	0.888	0.932				
	ASLength	0.201	0.579	0.813	0.756			
	AdvGrad	0.632	-0.120	-0.340	-0.231	-0.632		
	a:sRatio	-0.209	-0.098	0.242	0.095	0.424	-0.500	
	ER	0.092	-0.021	0.664	0.394	0.559	-0.369	0.464
LipElev	Depth							
	Width	0.116	-0.231	-0.213	-0.241	-0.205	0.286	-0.135
	Length	0.203	0.267	0.754	0.530	0.674	-0.468	0.333
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	ASLength	0.116	-0.231	-0.213	-0.241	-0.205	0.286	-0.135
	AdvGrad	0.203	0.267	0.754	0.530	0.674	-0.468	0.333
	a:sRatio	0.203	0.267	0.754	0.530	0.674	-0.468	0.333
	ER	0.203	0.267	0.754	0.530	0.674	-0.468	0.333