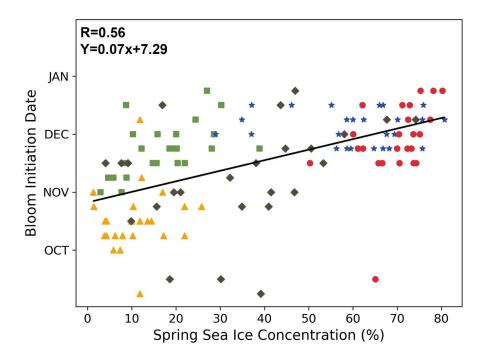
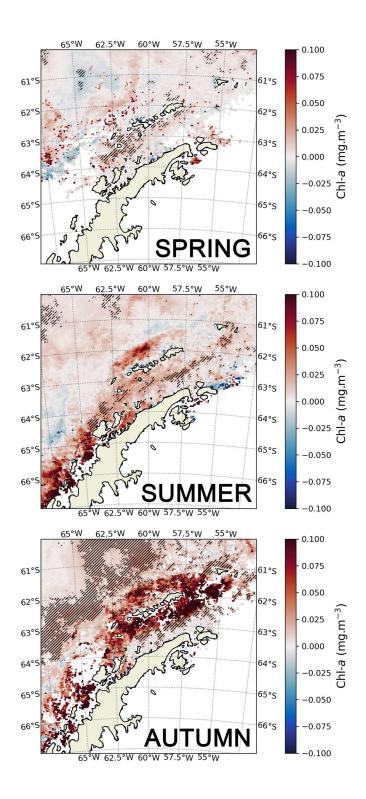


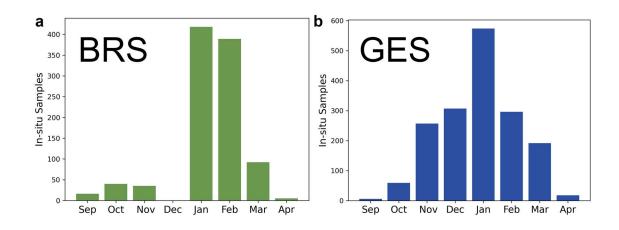
Sup. Fig. 1 | Summary of summer environmental conditions across the Antarctic Peninsula. Letter-value plots for of sea surface temperature (SST; °C) (a), sea ice concentration (%) (b), photosynthetically active radiation (PAR;  $E m^{-2} d^{-1}$ ) (c), and wind speed (ms<sup>-1</sup>) (d) values in the summer (December-February) during 1998-2022 for each region. The center line of the box plots correspond to the median.



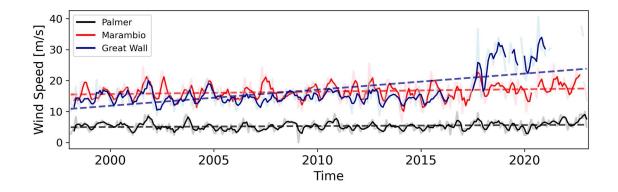
**Sup. Fig. 2** | **Linear relationship between bloom initiation timing and spring sea ice concentration.** Linear regression between the phytoplankton bloom initiation date and the mean spring (September-November) sea ice concentration (%) during 1998-2022 for each region. The relationship is statistically significant (N=125; p-val<0.05).



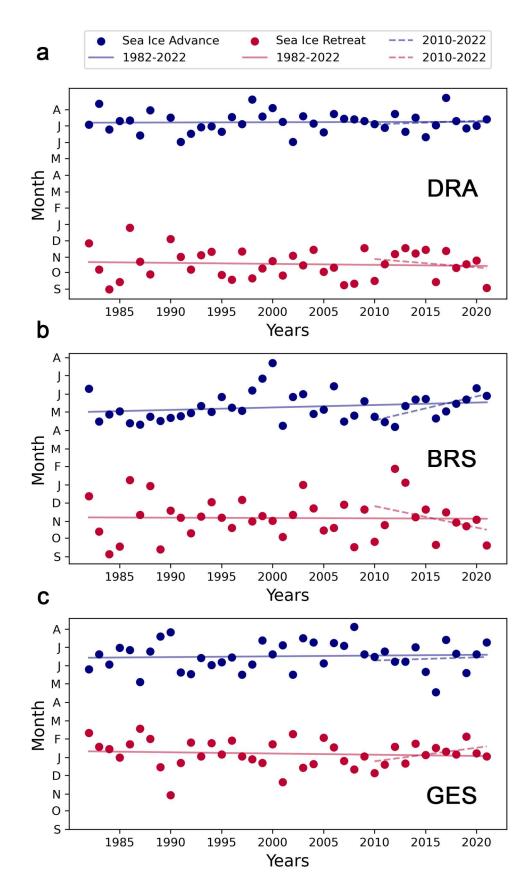
Sup. Fig. 3 | Satellite phytoplankton biomass increasing trends in the West Antarctic Peninsula. Calculated change in satellite-derived chlorophyll-*a* per year (mg m<sup>-3</sup> year<sup>-1</sup>) during spring (September-November), summer (December-February) and early spring (March-April) along the Antarctic Peninsula between 1998-2022. Oblique black lines represent the areas with statistically significant changes (p-value<0.05).



Sup. Fig. 4 | Seasonal distribution of in-situ samples showed in Figure 3b. Number of in-situ surface chlorophyll-a observations sampled each region (BRS: panel a; GES: panel b) and in each month between September and April 1998-2022.



Sup. Fig. 5 | Linear trend in atmospheric wind speed during 1998-2022 in three stations in the Antartic Peninsula (Palmer, Marambio and Great Wall). Full lines represent the 6-month moving averages of the monthly-averaged wind speed measured at Palmer ( $64^{\circ}46'27''S$   $64^{\circ}03'10''W$ ; black), Marambio ( $64^{\circ}14'28''S$   $56^{\circ}37'36''W$ ; red), and Great Wall ( $62^{\circ}13'01''S$   $58^{\circ}57'43''W$ ; blue) Stations. For each station, the shaded lines in background are the raw monthly-averaged wind speed. The dashed lines indicate the linear trend for each station, as follows: Palmer (y=0.003x + 4.93; R=0.15, p-value<0.01), Marambio (y=0.006x + 15.50; R=0.18, p-value<0.01), Great Wall (y=0.04x + 10.83, R=0.60, p-value<0.01).



**Sup. Fig. 6** | **Trends in sea ice phenology across the Western Antarctic Peninsula.** Interannual variability of Sea Ice Advance (blue) and Retreat (red) dates for the regions of the WAP - DRA (a), BRS (b) and GES (c) - during 1980 to 2022. Full lines correspond to the linear

regression for the 1982-2022 period, while the dashed lines correspond to the 2010-2022 period. These regions where chosen since they were the only ones that exhibited trends in biomass and/or bloom phenology (see Tables 1 and 2).

Sup. Table 1 | Statistical summary of summer chlorophyll-a and bloom phenology metrics during 1998-2022 for each region identified. CMean: mean December-February chlorophyll-a (Chl-a; mg m<sup>-3</sup>) mean, C<sub>max</sub>: Chl-a max, BPeak: Bloom Peak Date, Binit: Bloom Initiation Date, BTerm: Bloom Termination Date, BDur: Bloom Duration (weeks), BMag: Bloom Magnitude (mg m<sup>-3</sup>; Simpson integrated Chl-a during the period of the bloom). For bloom phenology metrics, the standard deviation is always expressed in weeks. Note that BPeak, Binit and BTerm dates correspond to 8-day weeks, not individual days.

DRA	Chl-a	BPeak	BInit	BTerm	BDur	BMag
Mean	0.34	06/Dec	19/Oct	16/Feb	16	6.19
Min	0.05	19/Oct	09/Sep	14/Dec	8	2.09
Max	1.54	05/Apr	14/Dec	13/Apr	27	10.25
STDev	0.28	6	2	5	5	2
P10	0.11	-	-	-	9	3.10
P90	0.74	-	-	-	22	8.27
Mode	-	November	October	March	-	-
BRS	Chl-a	BPeak	BInit	BTerm	BDur	BMag
Mean	0.96	23/Jan	28/Nov	12/Mar	14	13.16
Min	0.06	20/Nov	04/Nov	15/Jan	9	6.19
Max	4.26	20/Mar	30/Dec	05/Apr	20	26.44
STDev	0.57	5	2	2	2	4.20
P10	0.40	-	-	-	12	9
P90	1.59	-	-	-	17	18.36
Mode	-	December	November	March	-	-
WED <sub>N</sub>	Chl-a	BPeak	BInit	BTerm	BDur	BMag
Mean	0.78	14/Dec	12/Nov	16/Feb	13	9.94
Min	0.01	03/Oct	09/Sep	14/Dec	5	3.09
Max	5.58	04/Mar	30/Dec	28/Mar	24	20.25
STDev	0.68	4	4	3	4	4.35
P10	0.28	-	-	-	9	4.80
P90	1.55	-	-	-	16	14.68
Mode	-	December	November	January/March	-	-

Sup. Table 1 (Cont.) | Statistical summary of summer chlorophyll-a and bloom phenology metrics during 1998-2022 for each region identified. CMean: mean December-February chlorophyll-a (Chl-a; mg m<sup>-3</sup>) mean, C<sub>max</sub>: Chl-a max, BPeak: Bloom Peak Date, Binit: Bloom Initiation Date, BTerm: Bloom Termination Date, BDur: Bloom Duration (weeks), BMag: Bloom Magnitude (mg m<sup>-3</sup>; Simpson integrated Chl-a during the period of the bloom). For bloom phenology metrics, the standard deviation is expressed in 8-day weeks. Note that BPeak, Binit and BTerm dates correspond to 8-day weeks, not individual days.

GES	Chl-a	BPeak	BInit	BTerm	BDur	BMag
Mean	2.11	31/Jan	06/Dec	12/Mar	13	28.30
Min	0.08	22/Dec	28/Nov	08/Feb	9	9.78
Max	12.14	20/Mar	22/Dec	28/Mar	15	77.08
STDev	1.94	3	1	1	2	17.24
P10	0.68	-	-	-	10	14.02
P90	4.41	-	-	-	15	53.52
Mode	-	January	December	March	-	-
WEDs	Chl-a	BPeak	BInit	BTerm	BDur	BMag
Mean	7.81	23/Jan	06/Dec	04/Mar	12	94.54
Min	0.09	12/Nov	17/Sep	31/Jan	6	9.30
Max	35.68	28/Mar	31/Jan	28/Mar	20	183.23
STDev	8.30	4	3	2	3	54.70
P10	0.57	-	-	-	10	21.18
P90	21.27	-	-	-	15	168.02
Mode	-	December	December	March	-	-

Sup. Table 2 | Statistical summary of the summer environmental conditions during 1998-2022 for each region identified. SST: sea surface temperature (°C), Sea Ice: sea ice concentration (%), PAR: photosynthetically active radiation (E m<sup>-2</sup> d<sup>-1</sup> year<sup>-1</sup>), Wind Speed (m s<sup>-1</sup>). Summer corresponds to December-February.

DRA	SST (°C)	Sea Ice (%)	PAR (E m <sup>-2</sup> d <sup>-1</sup> year <sup>-1</sup> )	Wind speed (m s <sup>-1</sup> )
Mean	1.73	0.13	34.38	6.23
Min	-0.65	0	7.68	0.04
Max	4.49	7.31	64.92	15.33
STDev	1.03	0.72	10.56	2.89
P10	0.33	0	20.98	2.74
P90	3.03	0.07	48.88	10.39
BRS	SST (°C)	Sea Ice (%)	PAR (E m <sup>-2</sup> d <sup>-1</sup> year <sup>-1</sup> )	Wind speed (m $s^{-1}$ )
Mean	0.84	1.20	33.19	6.01
Min	-0.97	0.01	6.15	0.21
Max	2.34	14.20	63.12	15.06
STDev	0.68	2.29	10.19	2.73
P10	-0.18	0.05	19.98	2.55
P90	1.62	3.67	47.05	9.70
WED <sub>N</sub>	SST (°C)	Sea Ice (%)	PAR (E m <sup>-2</sup> d <sup>-1</sup> year <sup>-1</sup> )	Wind speed (m s <sup>-1</sup> )
Mean	-0.63	11.97	33.38	6.39
Min	-1.67	0	5.40	0.06
Max	0.53	81.50	64.71	16.06
STDev	0.49	17.38	12.55	3.07
P10	-1.35	0.28	17.80	2.44
P90	-0.01	40.83	51.85	10.61

Sup. Table 2 (Cont) | Statistical summary of the summer environmental conditions during 1998-2022 for each region identified. SST: sea surface temperature (°C), Sea Ice: sea ice concentration (%), PAR: photosynthetically active radiation (E m<sup>-2</sup> d<sup>-1</sup> year<sup>-1</sup>), Wind Speed (m s<sup>-1</sup>). Summer corresponds to December-February.

GES	SST (°C)	Sea Ice (%)	PAR (E m <sup>-2</sup> d <sup>-1</sup> year <sup>-1</sup> )	Wind speed (m s <sup>-1</sup> )	
Mean	0.42	10.98	29.80	4.66	
Min	-1.59	0.06	2.10	0.05	
Max	2.82	81.02	64.66	14.57	
STDev	0.95	15.49	14.21	2.50	
P10	-1.00	0.96	12.70	1.57	
P90	1.54	33.44	51.60	8.11	
WEDs	SST (°C)	Sea Ice (%)	PAR (E m <sup>-2</sup> d <sup>-1</sup> year <sup>-1</sup> )	Wind speed (m $s^{-1}$ )	
Mean	-0.76	27.84	16.39	2.79	
Min	-1.80	0.02	1.60	0.04	
Max	1.57	80.82	55.53	9.78	
STDev	0.64	22.25	9.87	1.62	
P10	-1.58	1.54	5.92	0.91	
P90	0.02	61.77	29.89	5.02	

Sup. Table 3 | Summary of the biological and environmental variables used in this work. Full names and detailed information on each product can be found in the Methods section. SST: sea surface temperature (°C), Sea Ice: sea ice concentration (%), PAR: photosynthetically active radiation (E m<sup>-2</sup> d<sup>-1</sup> year<sup>-1</sup>), Wind Speed (m s<sup>-1</sup>).

Variable	Units	Product/Source	Temporal	Spatial Resolution	Reference
			Coverage		
Chlorophyll- <i>a</i> (satellite)	mg m <sup>-3</sup>	ESA-CCI 6.0	1998-2022	4 km	1, 2
Chlorophyll- <i>a</i> (in-situ)	mg m <sup>-3</sup>	GOAL, PALMER-LTER, Valente et al.	1998-2020	-	3, 4, 5
Sea Surface Temperature	°C	OSTIA-L4	1998-2022	5 km	6
Sea Ice Concentration	%	OSTIA-L4	1982-2022	5 km	6
PAR	E m <sup>-2</sup> d <sup>-1</sup> year	NASA Globcolour	1998-2022	~8 km	7, 8
Wind Speed	m s <sup>-1</sup>	ERA5 Reanalysis	1998-2022	~25 km	9
SAM	unitless	NOAA NCEP CPC	1998-2022	~8 km	10

\*The meridional and zonal components of wind were acquired to calculate Wind Speed.

<sup>1</sup>Sathyendranath et al. 2019 <sup>2</sup>Ocean Colour Climate Change Initiative dataset, Version 6.0, European Space Agency, available online at <u>http://www.esa-oceancolour-cci.org/</u>. <sup>3</sup>Palmer Station Antarctica LTER et al. 2022.

<sup>4</sup>Palmer Station Antarctica LTER et al. 2022.

<sup>5</sup>Valente et al. 2022.

<sup>6</sup>Good et al. 2020.

<sup>7</sup>Maritorena et al. 2010.

<sup>8</sup>Frouin et al. 2003.

<sup>9</sup>Hersbach et al. 2020. <sup>10</sup>NOAA Monthly mean AO Index since January 1950, available at <u>https://www.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov/</u>.

Sup. Table 4 | P-values associated with the analysis of the yearly change in satellite-derived phytoplankton biomass within each month along the Antarctic Peninsula during 1998-2022 (Table 1). For each region, the p-value associated with the yearly linear change (mg m<sup>-3</sup> year<sup>-</sup>

<sup>1</sup>; slope of linear regression) in the spatially integrated mean chlorophyll-*a* is presented for each month between September and April, as well as for spring (September-November), summer (December-February), autumn (March-April) and full season (September-April). Bold \*, \*\*, and \*\*\* correspond to p-value<0.1, p-value<0.05, and p-value<0.01, respectively (a Pearson correlation test with a two-sided alternative hypothesis was used).

Period evaluated	DRA	BRS	WED <sub>N</sub>	GES	WEDs
September	0.010**	0.001***	0.649	0.211	0.085*
October	0.077*	0.061*	0.201	0.140	0.312
November	0.929	0.300	0.761	0.170	0.971
December	0.416	0.407	0.257	0.094*	0.147
January	0.152	0.427	0.416	0.274	0.565
February	0.123	0.145	0.477	0.395	0.231
March	0.040**	0.006***	0.032**	0.005***	0.085*
April	0.007***	0.001***	0.085*	-	-
Spring	0.503	0.020**	0.268	0.150	0.682
Summer	0.140	0.224	0.427	0.192	0.101
Autumn	0.013**	0.002***	0.017**	0.006***	0.068*
September-April	0.068*	0.019**	0.156	0.104	0.111

Sup. Table 5 | P-values associated with the analysis of the tearly change in phytoplankton bloom phenology along the Antarctic Peninsula during 1998-2022 (Table 2). For each region, the p-value associated with the yearly linear change (i.e., the slope of linear regression) was estimated for each bloom phenology metric calculated in this work: bloom initiation (weeks year<sup>-1</sup>), bloom termination (weeks year<sup>-1</sup>), bloom peak (weeks

year<sup>-1</sup>), bloom duration (weeks year<sup>-1</sup>), and bloom magnitude (mg m<sup>-3</sup>year<sup>-1</sup>; a measure of the biomass accumulated during the bloom). Bold \*, \*\*, and \*\*\* correspond to p-value<0.1, p-value<0.05, and p-value<0.01, respectively (a Pearson correlation test with a two-sided alternative hypothesis was used).

Phenology metric	DRA	BRS	GES
Bloom initiation	0.960	0.254	0.799
Bloom termination	0.001***	0.471	0.017**
Bloom peak	0.573	0.394	0.832
Bloom duration	0.002***	0.866	0.058*

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