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APPENDIX: ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

AAO	Antarctic Ooscillation
ACE	NOAA's Accumulated Cyclone Energy Index
AGGI	NOAA's Annual Greenhouse Gas Index
AMO	Atlantic Multidecadal Oscillation
AMSR-E	Advanced Microwave Scanning Radiometer for Earth Observing System
AMSU	Advanced Microwave Sounding Unit
AO	Arctic Oscillation
AOD	Aerosol optical depth
AOML	Atlantic Oceanographic and Meteorological Laboratory
AVHRR	Advanced Very High Resolution Radiometer
AVISO	Archiving, Validating, and Interpretation of Satellite Oceanographic data
CAMS	Climate Anomaly Monitoring System
CERES	Clouds and the Earth's Radiant Energy System
CIIFEN	International Research Center on El Niño
CLIVAR	Climate Variability and Predictability
CNES	Centre National d'Etudes Spatiales
CPC	Climate Prediction Center
CPHC	NOAA's Central Pacific Hurricane Center
CRU	Climate Research Unit
DU	Dobson units
ECMWF	European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts
ECV	Essential climate variable
EECl	Effective equivalent chlorine
EESC	Effective equivalent stratospheric chlorine
ENSO	El Niño–Southern Oscillation
EOF	Empirical orthogonal function
EOS	Earth Observatory System
ERB	Earth radiation budget
ERBE	Earth Radiation Budget Experiment
ERSST, v3b	Extended Reconstructed Sea Surface Temperature, version 3b
ESA	European Space Agency

ESRL	Earth System Research Laboratory
EU	European Union
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization
FAPAR	Fraction of Absorbed Photosynthetically Active Radiation
FLASHflux	Fast Longwave and Shortwave Radiative Fluxes
GCOS	Global Climate Observing System
GHCN	Global Historical Climatology Network
GISS	NASA's Goddard Institute of Space Studies
GOME	Global Ozone Monitoring Experiment
GPCC	Global Precipitation Climatology Centre
GPCP	Global Precipitation Climatology Project
GPI	Genesis potential index
GRACE	Gravity Recovery and Climate Experiment
HadAT	Hadley Centre's radiosonde temperature product
HadCRUT3	Hadley Centre/CRU gridded monthly temperatures dataset
HadGEM1	Hadley Centre global model
HIRS-W	High Resolution Infrared Sounder
hPa	Hectopascal (1 mb)
ICPAC	IGAD Climate Prediction and Applications Centre
IO	Indian Ocean
IOD	Indian Ocean dipole
IPCC	Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change
ISCCP	International Satellite Cloud Climatology Project
ITCZ	Intertropical convergence zone
JGOFS	Joint Global Ocean Flux Study
JMA	Japanese Meteorological Agency
JPL	Jet Propulsion Laboratory
JRA	Japanese Reanalysis
JTWC	U.S. Navy's Joint Typhoon Warning Center
LHF	Latent heat flux
MDR	Main Development Region
MERIS	Medium Resolution Imaging Spectrometer
MISR	Multiangle Imaging SpectroRadiometer
MJO	Madden–Julian oscillation
MLS	Microwave Limb Sounder
MOC	Meridional overturning current
MOCHA	Meridional Overturning Circulation Heat Transport Array
MODIS	Moderate Resolution Imaging Specroradiometer
MSLP	mean sea level pressure
MSU	Microwave Sounding Unit
NAM	Northern annular mode
NAO	North Atlantic Oscillation
NASA	National Aeronautics and Space Administration
NCAR	National Center for Atmospheric Research
NCDC	National Climatic Data Center
NCEP	National Center for Environmental Prediction
NDVI	Normalized Difference Vegetation Index
NERC	National Environmental Research Council
NH	Northern Hemisphere
NHC	National Hurricane Center
NIO	Northern Indian Ocean
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
NOMADS	National Operational Model Archive and Distribution System
NS	Named storm
NSIDC	National Snow and Ice Data Center
NWS	National Weather Service
OAFlux	Objectively Analyzed Air–Sea Fluxes
ODGI	Ozone Depleting Gas Index
OHCA	Ocean heat content anomaly
OISST v2	Optimal Interpolation SST version 2
OLR	Outgoing longwave radiation
OMI	Ozone Monitoring Instrument
ONI	Oceanic Niño Index
OPI	OLR precipitation index
OSCAR	Ocean Surface Current Analysis–Real Time
PATMOS (-x)	Pathfinder Atmospheres (Extended Product)
pCO_2	Carbon dioxide partial pressure
PDO	Pacific decadal oscillation
PIRATA	Pilot Research Array in the Tropical Atlantic
PMEL	Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory
ppb	Parts per billion

ppm	Parts per million
ppmv	Parts per million by volume
ppt	Parts per trillion
PSS	Practical salinity scale
QBO	Quasi-biennial oscillation
QuikSCAT	Quick Scatterometer
RAMA	Research Moored Array for African-Asian-Australian Monsoon Analysis Prediction
RAOBCORE	Radiosonde Observation Correction
RATPAC	Radiosonde Atmospheric Temperature Products for Assessing Climate
RICH	Radiosonde Innovation Composite Homogenization
RSS	Remote Sensing Systems
SAM	Southern annular mode
SBUV	Solar Backscatter Ultraviolet
SCD	snow covered duration
SCE	snow cover extent
SCIAMACHY	Scanning Imaging Absorption Spectrometer for Atmospheric Chartography
SeaWiFS	Sea-viewing Wide Field of View
SH	Southern Hemisphere
SHF	Sensible heat flux
SIO	Southern Indian Ocean
SLP	Sea level pressure
SOI	Southern Oscillation index
SPCZ	South Pacific convergence zone
SSALTO/DUACS	Segment Sol Multimission Altimetry and Orbitography/ Developing Use of Altimetry for Climate Studies
SSM/I	Special Sensor Microwave Imager
SSS	Sea surface salinity
SST	Sea surface temperature
SSTA	Sea surface temperature anomaly
Sv	Sverdrup (1 Sv ≡ 10^6 m^3 s^{-1})
TAO	Tropical Atmosphere Ocean
TC	Tropical cyclone
TCHP	Tropical cyclone heat potential
TCWV	Total column water vapor
TMI	Tropical Rainfall Measuring Mission Microwave Imager
TOA	Top of atmosphere
TOMS	Total Ozone Mapping Spectrometer
TRITON	Triangle Trans-Ocean Buoy Network
TRMM	Tropical Rainfall Measuring Mission
WBC	Western boundary current
w.e.	water equivalent
WGMS	World Glacier Monitoring Service
WHOI	Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute
WMO	World Meteorological Organization
WOA	*World Ocean Atlas*
WOCE	World Ocean Circulation Experiment
XBT	Expendable bathythermograph

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