1	Supplementary Material:
2	Changes in the dynamical properties of the North-Atlantic atmospheric
3	circulation in the past 150 years.
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ABSTRACT

In the supplementary material we present the results of the statistical tests 14 discussed in the main paper (Tables S1, S2) and the joint histograms of (d, θ) 15 (Figures S1-S26) for all the models analysed, corresponding to Figure 8 in 16 the main paper. Table S1 presents the results of a Wilcoxon ranksum test 17 (Von Storch 1999) comparing the median values of d and θ between the mod-18 els and the reanalysis and between sub-periods within the same dataset. The 19 null hypothesis is that the variables are samples from continuous distributions 20 with equal medians. A rejection of the null hypothesis therefore indicates a 2 significant difference between the medians (bold entries). The columns la-22 beled P12, P23 and P13 compare the median values of the same dataset over 23 the three sub-periods: 1851-1900, 1901-1950 and 1951-2000. There is no 24 clear trend across the models, with some showing significant changes in both 25 d and θ and others showing no variations. The columns labeled *Pra* compare 26 the medians of the models to those of the reanalysis over the full 1851-2000 27 period. All but three of the higher resolution models yield statistically differ-28 ent medians from the reanalysis for both of the dynamical systems metrics. 29 Table S2 presents the Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) between 20CR and 30 CMIP5 models for SLP extreme anomalies corresponding to days beyond the 3. 0.02 and 0.98 quantiles of the d, θ distributions. 32

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		Pmed (d)			$Pmed\left(\boldsymbol{\theta}\right)$				
N.	Models	P12	P23	P13	Pra	P12	P23	P13	Pra
1	20CR	0	0	0	_	0	0,00019	0	-
2	CMCC-CESM	0,14932	0,18834	0,90453	0	0,01286	0,16537	0,27336	0
3	CanESM2	0,75710	0,01868	0,00754	0	0,01868	0,14011	0,40354	0
4	MIROC-ESM-CHEM	0,71166	0,18351	0,33392	0	0,06156	0,96734	0,05805	0
5	MIROC-ESM	0,60922	0,53551	0,89892	0	0,09860	0,57164	0,02486	0
6	BCC-CSM1-1	0,16301	0,43325	0,53587	0	0,03806	0,10650	0,00021	0
7	IPSL-CM5B	0	0,01041	0	0	0,05955	0,19765	0,54816	0
8	NorESM1-M	0,08539	0	0,00001	0	0,36281	0,34488	0,06340	0
9	FGOALS-S2	0,00839	0,03568	0	0	0,27269	0,00094	0,02321	0
10	MPI-ESM-P	0,05314	0,96271	0,04909	0	0,00310	0,40551	0,00017	0
11	MPI-ESM-LR	0,87446	0,00532	0,00316	0	0,90788	0,48649	0,55772	0
12	CSIRO-MK3-6-0	0,07196	0,00140	0	0	0,01158	0	0,00015	0,02506
13	CMCC-CMS	0,62410	0,09515	0,02891	0	0,00338	0,97717	0,00328	0
14	MPI-ESM-MR	0,40856	0,00050	0,00002	0	0,55003	0,01951	0,00318	0
15	IPSL-CM5A 0 0,17916 0,00098 0		0,61061	0,15644	0,05223	0			
16	INM-CM4 0 0,91457 0,00093 0 0		0,32157	0,00289	0,05065	0			
17	7 ACCESS-1-0 0,22330 0,0196'		0,01967	0,27733	0	0,03324	0,28185	0,00145	0
18	MIROC5	0,44975	0,76702	0,63848	0	0,33047	0,62295	0,13261	0
19	CNRM-CM5	0,00227	0,02928	0,37598	0	0	0,23172	0,00073	0
20	MRI-ESM1	0,09510	0,01032	0,00002	0	0,56039	0,26909	0,07458	0
21	BCC-CSM1-M	0,44241	0,01528	0,00141	0	0,59750	0,00077	0,00515	0
22	MRI-GCM3	0,96671	0,13074	0,12073	0	0,54675	0,13894	0,03884	0
23	EC-EARTH	0,75276	0,15889	0,28299	0	0,00330	0,14022	0,00001	0,58680
24	CESM1-FAST	0,30229	0,01851	0,18630	0,12823	0,69600	0,01400	0,04269	0
25	CESM1-CAM5	0,00022	0,00009	0,84053	0	0,00247	0,07079	0,20712	0
26	CESM1-BGC	0,02373	0,00001	0,03104	0,60554	0,94591	0,02543	0,02028	0
27	CCSM4	0	0,00107	0,0020 5	0,01807	0,08769	0,35862	0,41889	0

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51	SLP fields beyond the 0.02 and 0.98 quantiles of the d, θ distributions.

N	Models	AR	NAO-	BLO	NAO+
1	20CR	0	0	0	0
2	CMCC-CESM	3,19	10,86	4,86	8,77
3	CanESM2	3,20	8,86	4,72	6,60
4	MIROC-ESM-CHEM	2,99	10,41	5,81	5,77
5	MIROC-ESM	2,79	10,19	6,00	5,51
6	BCC-CSM1-1	3,65	9,91	6,21	8,41
7	IPSL-CM5B	3,51	10,38	6,17	6,92
8	NorESM1-M	3,56	10,11	6,11	8,64
9	FGOALS-S2	3,70	9,16	5,86	6,53
10	MPI-ESM-P	3,21	10,67	4,10	9,37
11	MPI-ESM-LR	3,68	10,94	4,10	8,78
12	CSIRO-MK3-6-0	3,36	7,17	3,50	7,20
13	CMCC-CMS	3,30	10,32	4,27	8,84
14	MPI-ESM-MR	3,43	9,91	4,15	9,22
15	IPSL-CM5A	3,72	10,26	6,20	6,26
16	INM-CM4	2,89	9,35	4,44	6,56
17	ACCESS-1-0	3,37	9,18	4,36	7,36
18	MIROC5	3,57	7,42	3,02	6,64
19	CNRM-CM5	3,01	9,44	4,83	6,42
20	MRI-ESM1	3,60	10,29	6,81	8,48
21	BCC-CSM1-M	3,60	8,73	5,94	8,62
22	MRI-GCM3	3,62	10,07	7,03	8,16
23	EC-EARTH	3,38	10,32	4,18	8,36
24	CESM1-FAST	3,48	9,43	6,08	8,03
25	CESM1-CAM5	3,55	10,05	6,01	8,06
26	CESM1-BGC	3,51	10,21	5,62	8,30
27	CCSM4	3,44	9,63	5,88	8,26

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