



Figure 1: A stacked record of temperatures and ice volume in the deep ocean through the Mesozoic and Cenozoic periods. The spike marked the LPTM (the Late Paleocene Thermal Maximum, now called the Paleocene-Eocene Thermal Maximum (PETM) due to a change in stratigraphic standards) is a unique and fascinating event.

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