



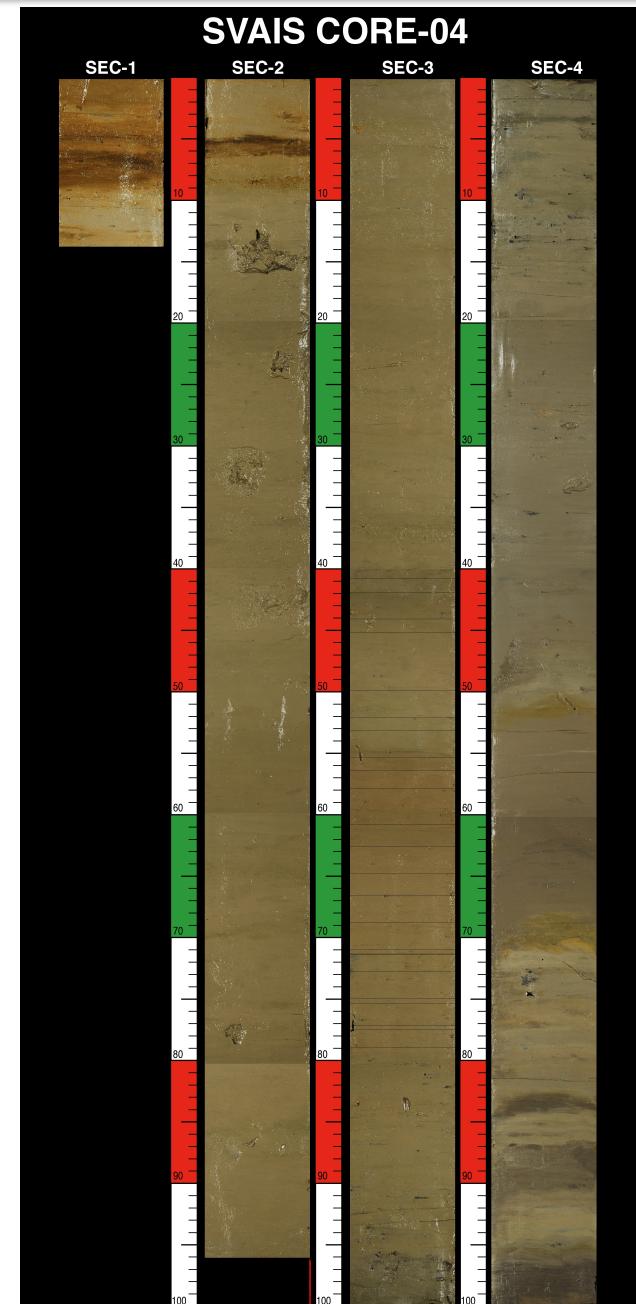
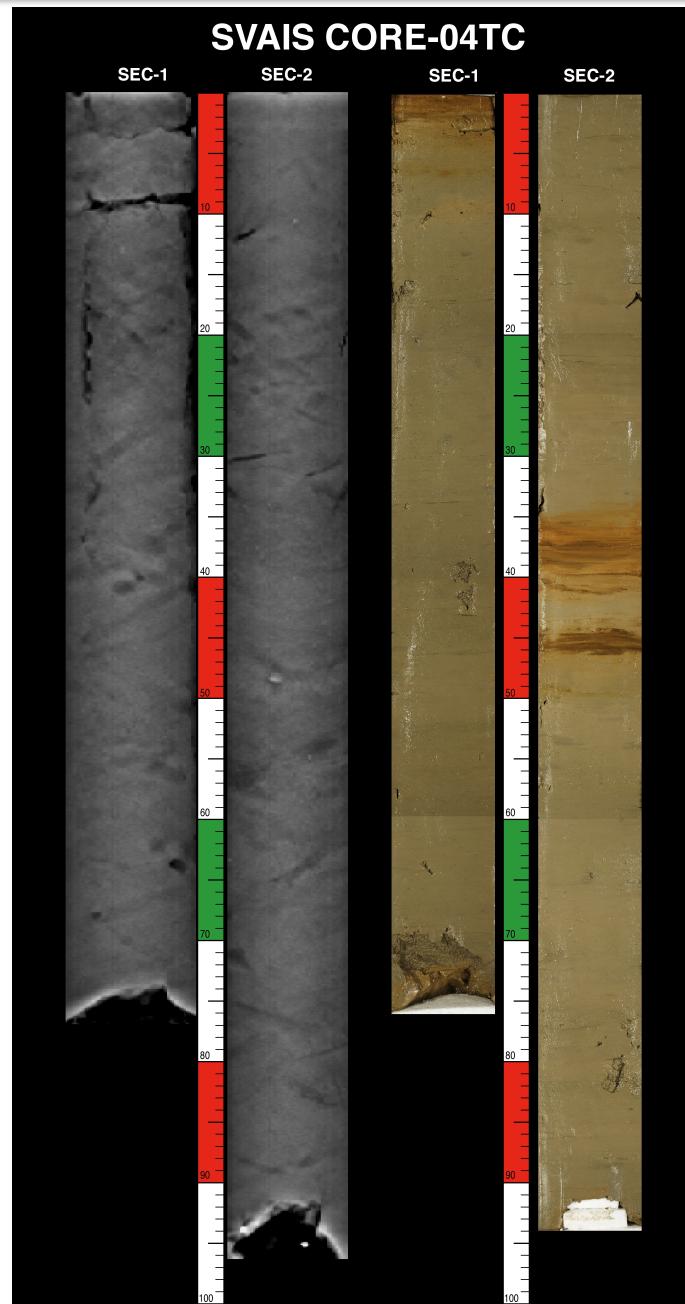
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CORING DISTURBANCE





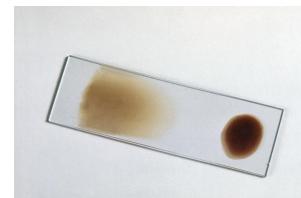
Visual core description 2° step sediment composition

Mud composition - Smear slides

- A smear slide is a thin layer of unconsolidated sediment embedded on a glass slide for petrographic microscopic examination;
- Smear slides are a useful tool to quickly assess the ***compositional content*** of clay-silty sediment samples;
- Smear slides are a powerful method for rapidly evaluating tiny quantities of sediment (mineralogy, components, form, size) as the basis for ***sediment classification***, and for ascertaining the presence of microfossils.

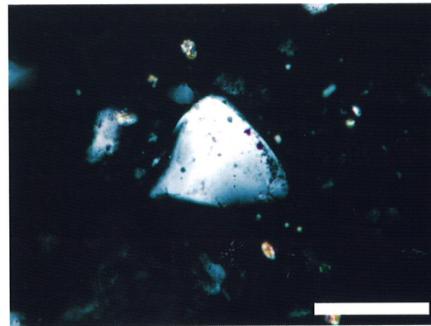
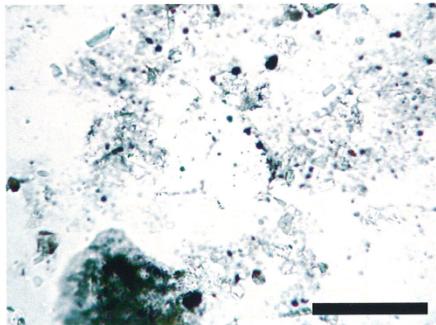


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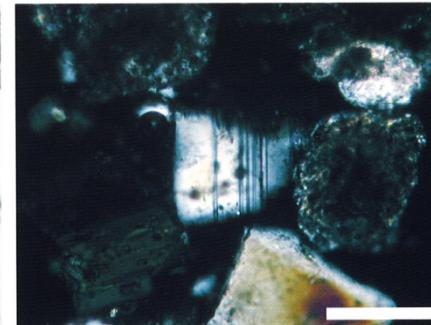
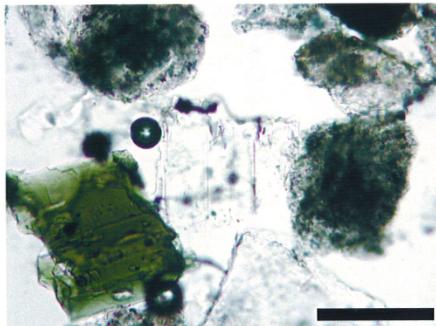


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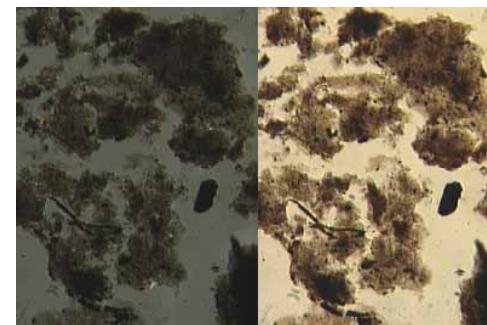


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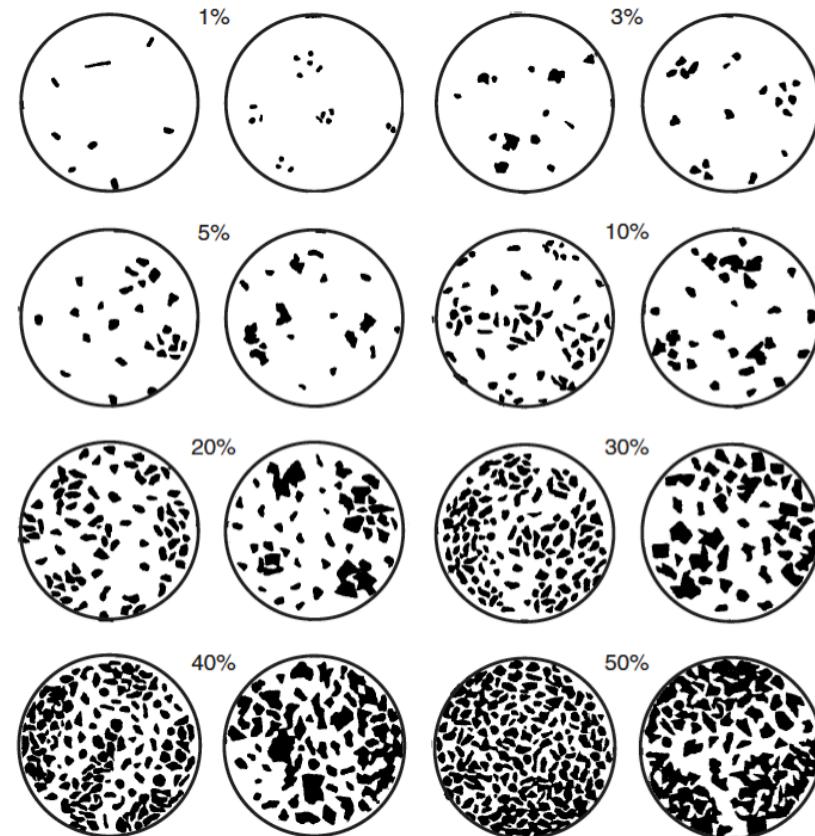
Plagioclase



Clay fraction



Composition/Quantification



Rothwell R.G., 1988. Minerals and mineraloids in marine sediments. An Optical Identification Guide. Elsevier Science Publishers, 279 pp



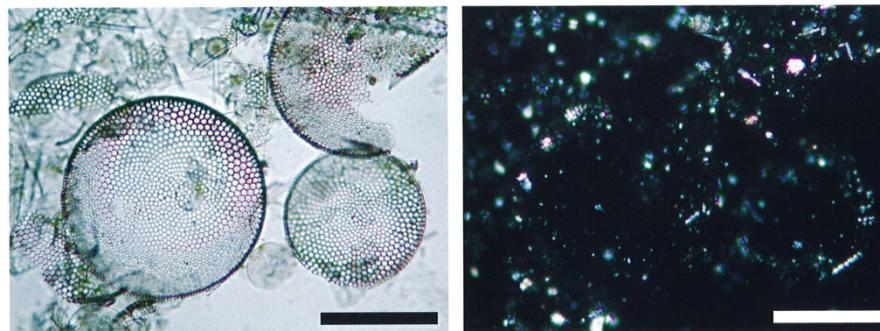
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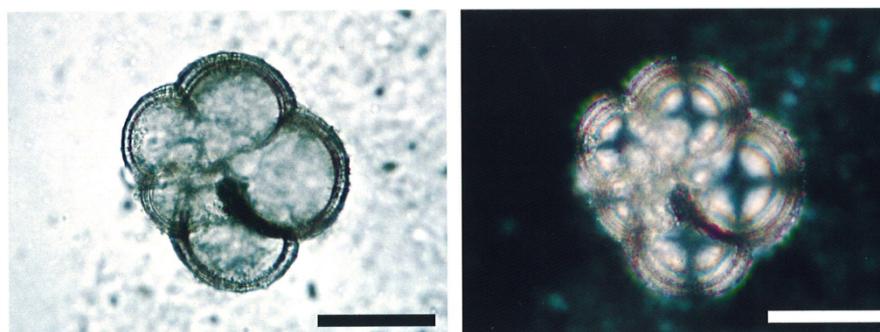


Diatoms



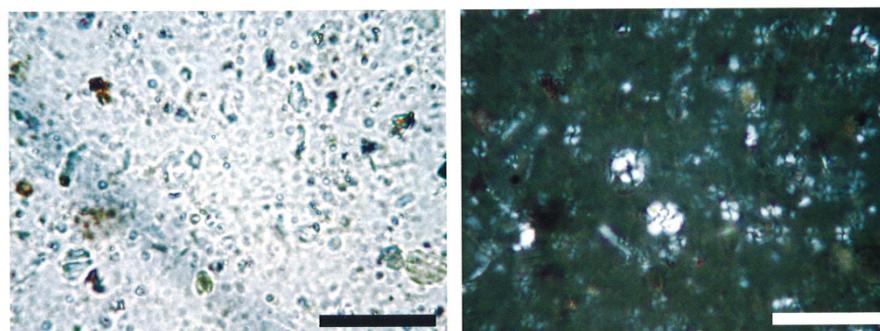
オホーツク海・中心部、水深 1107m, XP98, PC1, Sec.1, 20cm
200 倍。スケールは横 100 μm

Foraminifers



太平洋・熊野トラフ、水深 2190m, KT02-1, KK2PC
400 倍。スケールは横 50 μm

Calcareous nannoplankton



東地中海・キプロス沖、ODP Leg160, 967D, 1H, Sec.1, 0-5cm
1000 倍。スケールは横 20 μm

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Sand composition

- wet sievings at 63 microns are used to investigate the composition of sediment coarse fraction, the grains form and roundness, in order to define the sediment provenance. The sand fraction is also used for biostratigraphic purposes.

**Ice Rafted Debris
(Antarctica)**



**Beach sands
(Menorca-Spain)**

**Glacigenic
sediments
(Arctic)**



**Tephra
(volcanic glass)
(Tyrrhenian)**





SEDIMENT SAMPLE DESCRIPTION

Project:

lat. N long. E water depth (m)
 core section cm cm from core top

sediment type lithology
 colour remarks

DESCRIPTION OF RESIDUE**textural characteristics**

sorting	very good good	sphericity	high low	angularity	very angular angular
	moderately				sub-angular/rounded
	poor very poor				rounded well rounded

remarks

residue composition

(AA=very abundant; A=abundant; O=occurring; R=rare; RR=very rare)

terrigenous components: predominant not predominant

quartz calcite K-feldspar gypsum glauconite
 mica pyrite dark minerals volcanic glass micronodules
 rock fragments others

bioclastic components: predominant not predominant

benthic forams planktonic forams pteropods bryozoa
 echinoid spines sponge spicules ostracods corals
 bivalves gastropods corals algae
 radiolarians diatoms spores fish teeth
 plant debris coccoliths discoasters organic matter
 micrascidites of tunicates others

Foraminifera: list of the most characteristic taxa

<i>G. bulloides</i>	<i>G. tenellus</i>	<i>H. siphonifera</i>	<i>G. coriaconensis</i>
<i>G. trilobus</i>	<i>N. eggeri dutterrei</i>	<i>G. quinqueloba</i>	<i>G. inflata</i>
<i>N. pachyderma</i>	<i>G. ruber</i>	<i>G. scitula</i>	<i>O. universa</i>
<i>G. gomitiulus</i>	<i>G. sacculifer</i>	<i>G. glutinata</i>	<i>G. truncatulin. exc.</i>
<i>G. conglobatus</i>	<i>G. quadrilobatus</i>	<i>H. pelagica</i>	<i>G. digit./preadigit.</i>
<i>S. ionica</i>	others		

AGE
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SMEAR SLIDES DESCRIPTION

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DESCRIPTION OF SMEAR SLIDES

Calcareous nannofossil: list of the most characteristic taxa and their abundance
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<i>E. huxleyi</i>	<i>G. oceanica</i>	<i>G. caribbeanica</i>	<i>small Gephyrocapsa</i>
<i>H. carteri</i>	<i>C. leptoporus</i>	<i>S. pulchra</i>	<i>S. histrica</i>
<i>C. pelagicus</i>	<i>S. recurvata</i>	<i>P. scutellum</i>	<i>O. antillarum</i>
<i>R. clavigera</i>	<i>R. stylifer</i>	<i>S. fossilis</i>	<i>B. bigelowi</i>
<i>U. tenuis</i>	<i>C. jonesii</i>	<i>T. saxeae</i>	<i>C. rugosus</i>
<i>C. cristatus</i>	<i>P. multipora</i>	<i>P. lacunosa</i>	<i>C. macintyreai</i>
<i>D. broweri</i>	<i>H. sellii</i>	<i>Discoaster sp.</i>	

others

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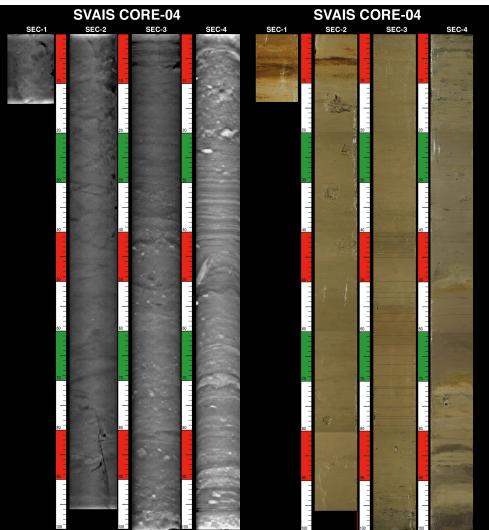
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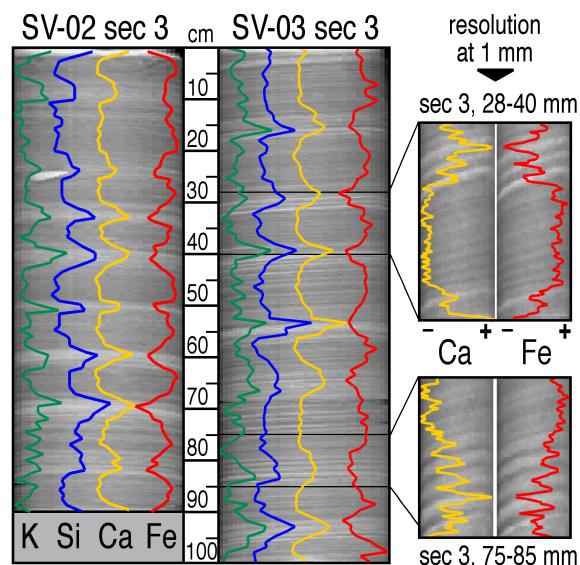
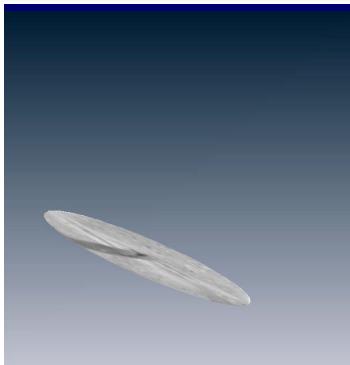
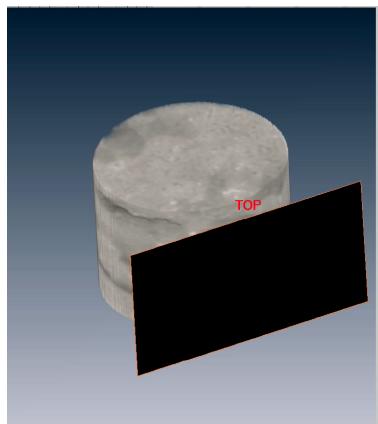
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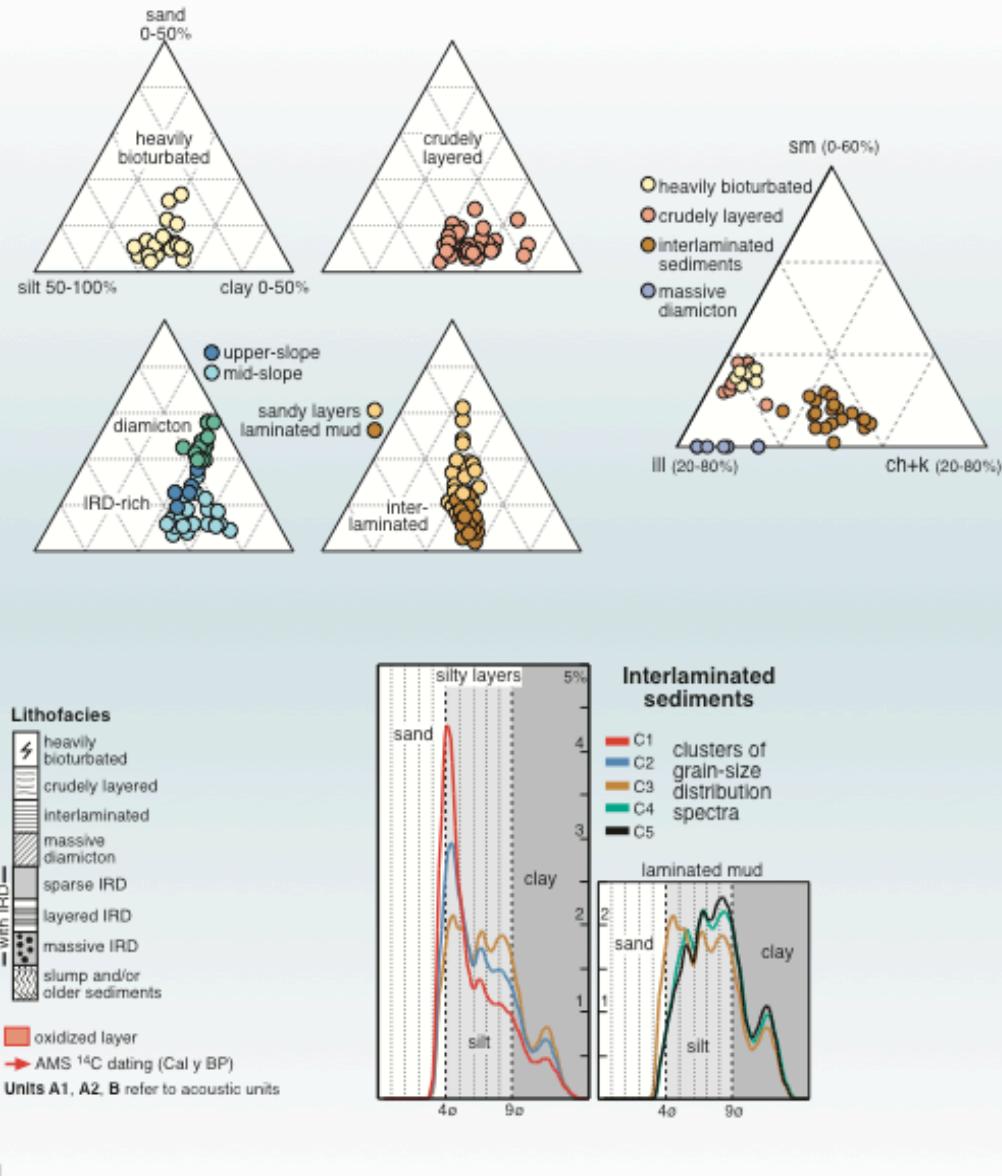
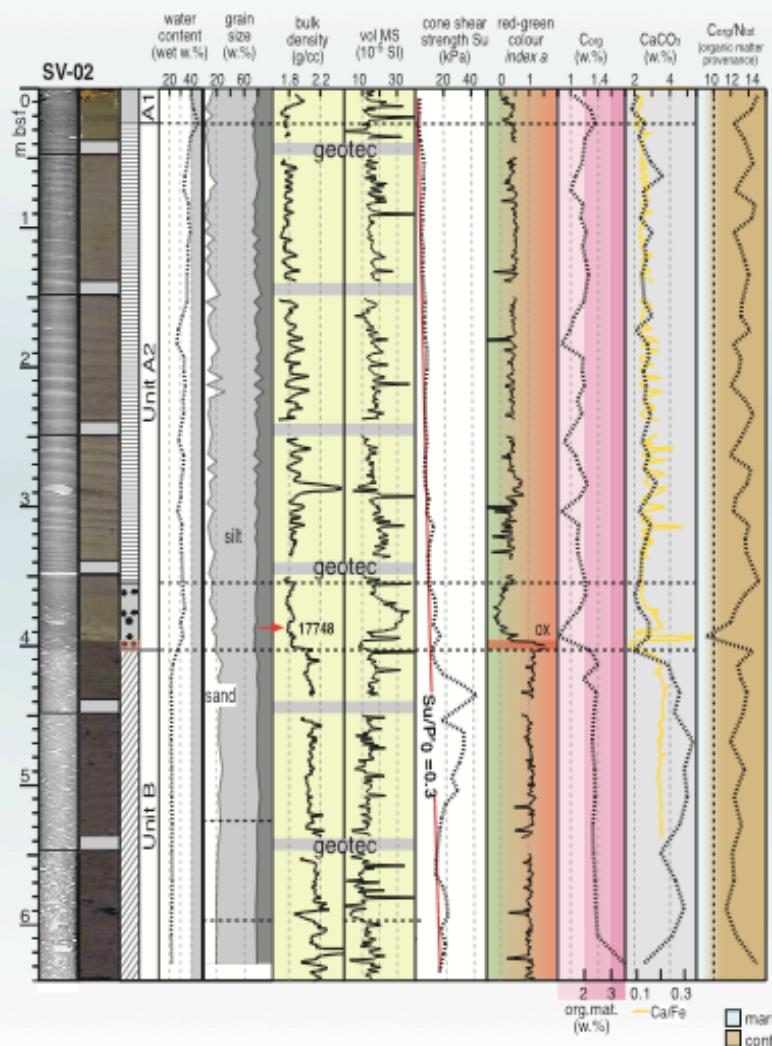
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SEDIMENT CORE ANALYSES



Plot of results





CORE REPOSITORY 4°C