

Figure DR1. Comparison of modern sea surface temperature from the open ocean to that from coastal environments, and of surface air temperature from low altitude environments. The modern SST gradient (mean annual temperatures averaged over longitude and hemispheres) is represented by the black bold solid line. The grey envelope represents the maximum range of modern seasonal SST when the whole range of longitude is considered. Modern SSTs are from the data base LEVITUS94. The coastal sea surface temperatures are mean annual temperatures calculated from monthly estimates recovered by the National Oceanographic Data Center (1983). The surface air temperatures are mean annual temperatures from the IAEA/WMO (2001) data base. Only the stations of low altitude (below 300m) have been considered.

	Locality	Locality Stratigraphic age (Ammonite Zone or horizon)	Fauna, remain	Paleolatitude	δ ¹⁸ 0	Temperature 1	Temperature 2	Error on	- 1
CENOMANIAN-TURONIAN							(10)		(\mathbf{C}) temperature $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{C})$
Inis work	Vienenhurg (Germany)	Cenomanian	selachian Te	43 00	21 20	16 1	16 1	+1 1	+1 1
S2d1	Mokresz (Poland)	Lower Cenomanian (Mantelliceras mantelli)	Cretolamna appendiculata, Te	44.00	20.50	19.1	19.1	±1.1	±1.1
S4d1	Skotniki (Poland)	Lower Cenomanian	Sphenodus sp., Te	44.00	19.89	21.8	21.8	±1.2	±1.2
S3d1	Skotniki (Poland)	Lower Cenomanian		44.00	20.52	19.0	19.0	±1.1	±1.1
S6d1	Skotniki (Poland)	Lower Cenomanian	Sphenodus sp., Te	44.00 44.00	18.80 17 60	26.6	26.5	+ +1.4 л.4	+1.4
Data from literature			r tycnodus manninians, Te	44.UV	17.00	01.0	01.0	H . C	HI.C
Kolodny and Luz (1991)	Angola	Cenomanian	Cretolamna appendiculata	-23.0	18.8	26.6	28.9	±1.4	±1.4
Kolodny and Raab (1988)	Israel	Cenomanian	Pachyamia	12.U	17.4 17.8	32.7	33.5 33.6	+1.6	+1.6
Kolodny and Raab (1988)	Israel	Cenomanian	Pvcnodontidae	12.0	17.9	30.5	33.1	±1.5	±1.6
Kolodny and Raab (1988)	Israel	Cenomanian	shark	12.0	17.8	31.0	33.6	±1.5	±1.6
Kolodny and Raab (1988)	Israel	Upper Cenomanian	undetermined	12.0	17.4	32.7	35.3	±1.6	
	Israel	Cenomanian	Teleostean	12.0	17.8	31.0	40.6	±1.5	±1.6
Pucéat <i>et al.</i> (2003)	France	Cenomanian	undetermined	38.4	19.0	25.7	26.4	+1.4	+1.1
	France	Cenomanian	Lamniform	38.4	18.6	27.5	28.1	±1.4	±1.4
	France	Upper Cenomanian	Squalicorax falcatus	38.4	19.3	24.4	25.1	±1.3	±1.3
	France	Upper Cenomanian	Carcharias amonensis	38.4	19.5	23.5	24.2	±1.3	+1.3
Pucéat <i>et al.</i> (2003) Pucéat <i>et al.</i> (2003)	France	i uronian Turonian	Laminilorni	38.4	20.1	20.3	29.U	±1.4	±1.0
	Sinai (Egypt)	Turonian	Palaeobalistalum ? sp.	3 8	17.2	33.6	36.0	+ + <u>1</u> .0	±1.7
CAMPANIAN-MAASTRICHTIAN									
Mar1	Las Tablas (Chile)	Upper Campanian-Lower Maastrichtian	undetermined, Te	-37.05	21.00	16.9	17.8	±1.1	±1.1
Mar2bis Cum7	Algarrobo (Chile) Russell County (Alabama TISA)	Upper Campanian-Lower Maastrichtian	undetermined, Te	-34.10 36.10	21.17 19.79	16.2 22.2	17.4 23.2	±1.1	±1.1
Cum10	Bullock County (Alabama, USA)	Lowermost Campanian (Blufftown Formation)		36.10	20.87	17.5	18.5	±1.1	±1.1
Paro Siv1	Ellisdale (New Jersey, USA) Asen (Sweden)	Campanian (Lower Marshalltown Formation)	Scapanomynchus texanus, Te Scualicorax kaupi Te	40.70 46.90	19.62	17.9 23.0	18.3 22.6	±1.1	±1.1
Siv2	Asen (Sweden)	uppermost Lower Campanian	Cretolamna appendiculata, Te	46.90	20.94	17.2	16.8	±1.1	±1.1
At4	Erguita (Morocco) Erguita (Morocco)	Maastrichtian	undetermined, re undetermined. Te	20.50	19.20	24.8	24.9 27.3	±1.2	±1.3
At5	Erguita (Morocco)	Maastrichtian	undetermined, Te	20.50	20.63	18.6	21.1	±1.1	±1.2
c2cr	Erguita (Morocco) Benquerir (Morocco)	Maastrichtian	undetermined, Te	20.50	19.67 18.89	22.8	25.3 28.6	±1.3	±1.3
c2cr1	Benguerir (Morocco)	Maastrichtian		22.00	19.69	22.7	25.1	±1.3	±1.3
c2sq	Benguerir (Morocco)	Maastrichtian	Squalicorax pristodontus, Te	22.00	20.37	19.7 22.8	22.1	+1.2	±1.2
c3sq	Benguerir (Morocco)	Maastrichtian	Squalicorax pristodontus, Te	22.00	20.61	23.0 18.7	20.2	±1.1	±1.4 ±1.2
c4cr	Benguerir (Morocco)	Maastrichtian	Cretolamna maroccana, Te	22.00	19.51	23.5	25.9	±1.3	±1.4
c4cr1	Benguerir (Morocco)	Maastrichtian	Cretolamna maroccana, Te Squalicorax pristodontus. Te	22.00	19.30 19.46	24.4 23.7	26.1	±1.3	±1.4 ±1.4
c4sq1	Benguerir (Morocco)	Maastrichtian	Squalicorax pristodontus, Te	22.00	19.50	23.5	25.9	±1.3	±1.4
coor	Benguerir (Morocco)	Maastrichtian	Cretolamna maroccana, Te Squalicorax pristodontus. Te	22.00 22.00	19.95	22.4 21.5	24.0 23.9	±1.2	±1.3
03	Nasilov (Poland)	Maastrichtian/Danian boundary		40.00	21.88	13.1	13.6	±1.0	±1.0
S9 07	Nasilov (Poland)	Maastrichtian/Danian boundary Maastrichtian/Danian boundary	<i>Odontasnis</i> sp., Tw	40.00	22.00 20 90	12.6 17.4	13.0 17 g	±0.9	±1.0
	Inversand Marl Pits (New Jersey, USA)	uppermost Maastrichtian(basal Hornerstown Formation)	Enchodus ferox, Te	40.30	21.58	14.4	14.8	±1.0	±1.0
	Inversand Marl Pits (New Jersey, USA)	uppermost Maastrichtian(basal Hornerstown Formation)	Enchodus ferox, Te	40.30	21.37	15.3 10 5	15.8	±1.0	±1.0
1	Willow Brook (New Jersey, USA)	uppermost maasu critian cornerstown Formation Lower Maastrichtian	Squalicorax pristodontus, Te	40.30 40.70	21.58	14.4	14.8	±0.9 ±1.0	±0.9
Canto	Hop Brook (New Jersey, USA)	Middle Maastrichtian	Squalicorax pristodontus, Te	40.70	21.22	16.0	16.4	±1.1	±1.1
Case 10	Hop Brook (New Jersey, USA)	Middle Maastrichtian	Squalicorax kaupi, Te Archaeolamna koningensis Te	40.70 40.70	21.40	15.2 14 7	15.6 15.1	±1.0	±1.0
Case11	Willow Brook (New Jersey, USA)	Lower Maastrichtian	Archaeolamna kopingensis, Te	40.70	19.09	25.3	25.7	±1.3	±1.0 ±1.3
Case15	Hop Brook (New Jersey, USA)	Niddle Maastrichtian	Anomgodus phasgolus, Tw	40.70	21.89	13.0	13.4	±1.0	±1.0
Casez Col1	Maastricht (The Netherlands)	Lower Maastrichtian	undetermined, Te	40.70 41.40	20.77	17.9 11.2	18.3 11.5	±1.1 ±0.9	±1.1 ±0.9

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cality	Stratigraphic age (Ammonite Zone or horizon)	Fauna, remain	Paleolatitude	(‰ SMOW)	(°C)		temperature 1 (°C)	temperature 2 (°C)
rael	Maastrichtian	S quatina? sp.	13.0	20.3	20.0	22.6	±1.2	±1.3
rael	Maastrichtian		13.0	19.8	22.2	24.8	±1.2	±1.3
rael	Maastrichtian	Cretolamna sp.	13.0	20.0	21.3	24.0	±1.2	±1.3
a (Morocco)	Maastrichtian	Cretolamna maroccana	22.2	19.3	24.4	26.8	±1.3	±1.4
a (Morocco)	Maastrichtian	undetermined	22.2	20.4	19.6	22.0	±1.2	±1.2
1 (Morocco)	Maastrichtian	Lamniform	22.1	20.2	20.4	22.8	±1.2	±1.3
ta (Morocco)	Lower Maastrichtian	Cretolamna sp.	20.5	18.9	26.1	28.6	±1.4	±1.4
(Morocco)	Lower Maastrichtian	Squalicorax sp.	22.0	20.3	20.0	22.4	±1.2	±1.2
(Morocco)	Lower Maastrichtian	Squalicorax pristodontus	22.0	20.3	20.0	22.4	±1.2	±1.2
i (Morocco)	Upper Maastrichtian	Cretolamna biauriculata maroccan	ε 22.1	20.0	21.3	23.7	±1.2	±1.3
iia (USA)	Maastrichtian	Enchodus	48.4	22.1	12.1	11.5	±0.9	±0.9
iia (USA)	Maastrichtian	Plotosaurus tuckeri	48.4	22.3	11.2	10.6	±0.9	±0.9
el (Belgium)	Upper Maastrichtian	Squalicorax pristodontus	41.0	21.4	15.2	15.5	±1.0	±1.0
Morocco)	Campanian	Cretolamna appendiculata	21.1	18.9	26.1	28.6	±1.4	±1.4
rdan	Lower Campanian	Squalicorax pristodontus	11.4	18.4	28.3	30.9	±1.4	±1.5
rael	Campanian	Enchodus bursuaxi	11.8	20.0	21.3	23.9	±1.2	±1.3
rael	Campanian	Enchodus bursuaxi	11.8	19.7	22.6	25.2	±1.3	±1.3
rael	Campanian	Enchodus libycus	11.8	19.1	25.3	27.9	±1.3	±1.4
rael	Campanian	Squalicorax kaupi	11.8	18.7	27.0	29.6	±1.4	±1.5
rael	Campanian	Lamna biauriculata	11.8	19.3	24.4	27.0	±1.3	±1.4
0000	Lower Campanian	Lamna biauriculata	22.1	19.5	23.5	25.9	±1.3	±1.4
sey (USA)	Upper Campanian	Scapanorhynchus texanus	40.7	20.2	20.4	20.8	±1.2	±1.2
ance	Upper Campanian	undetermined	37.4	21.4	15.2	16.0	±1.0	±1.1
ance	Upper Campanian	undetermined	37.4	21.6	14.3	15.1	±1.0	±1.0
ance	Campanian	undetermined	37.4	19.2	24.8	25.6	±1.3	±1.3
ance	Lower Campanian	Anomotodon sp.	37.4	21.2	16.1	16.9	±1.1	±1.1
ance	Lower Campanian	Squalicorax kaupi	37.4	20.4	19.6	20.4	±1.2	±1.2
ance	Lower Campanian	undetermined	37.4	20.9	17.4	18.2	±1.1	±1.1
ance	Lower Campanian	Scapanorhynchus sp.	37.4	21.0	16.9	17.8	±1.1	±1.1
ance	Lower Campanian	Squalicorax pristodontus	37.4	21.1	16.5	17.3	±1.1	±1.1
ance	Lower Campanian	Cretolamna appendiculata	37.4	21.0	16.9	17.8	±1.1	±1.1
	lowermost Campanian	Anomotodon sp.	37.4	21.3	15.6	16.4	±1.0	±1.1
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analogy with the modern ocean (see Material and Methods). Errors in the preduction both the analytical from both the analytical from the reproducibility of oxygen isotope measurements (±0.2‰, introducing an uncertainty of ±0.9°C on isotopic temperatures), and from the uncertainty deriving from the choice of the fractionation equation (Long melli and Nuti, 1973; Kolodny *et al.*, 1983; Liecuyer *et al.*, 2003). Fauther remains: Te (tooth enameloid), Tw (whole tooth). The the second sec

Class 1 vs Class 3	Class 2 vs Class 4	Class 1 vs Class 2
Test A: linear fits of class 1 parallel to that of class 3 (d constant)	Test A: linear fits of class 2 parallel to that of class 4 (d constant)	Test A: linear fits of class 1 parallel to that of class 2 (d constant)
Residuals	Residuals	Residuals
n 1Q Median 3Q	n 1Q Median 3Q	m 1Q Median 3Q
-7.4322 -1.6950 -0.2377 2.5785 8.5012	-7.0050 -2.2109 -0.4208 2.4201 7.8714	-6.6571 -2.0517 -0.4271 1.7285 9.3353
Coefficients	Coefficients	Coefficients
Estimate Standard error t value Pr(>[t])	Estimate Standard error t value Pr(> t)	Estimate Standard error t value Pr(>[t])
2 1.10234 30.454	25.20498 0.82474 30.561	8
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d -3.78932 0.92393 -4.101 0.000142	d -3.41641 0.82093 -4.162 7.53e-5	d -7.10480 0.78675 -9.031 3.89e-14
Residual standard error : 3.274 on 53 degrees of freedom	Residual standard error : 3.198 on 85 degrees of freedom	Residual standard error : 3.208 on 87 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-Squared : 0.5741, Adjusted R-squared : 0.558 F-statistic : 35.72 on 2 and 53 degrees of freedom, p-value : 1.502e-10	Multiple R-Squared : 0.5111, Adjusted R-squared : 0.4995 F-statistic : 44.42 on 2 and 85 degrees of freedom, p-value : 6.218e-14	Multiple R-Squared : 0.6808, Adjusted R-squared : 0.6734 F-statistic : 92.77 on 2 and 87 degrees of freedom, p-value : <2.2e-16
Test B: linear fits of class 1 not parallel to that of class 3 (d variable)	Test B: linear fits of class 2 not parallel to that of class 4 (d variable)	Test B: linear fits of class 1 not parallel to that of class 2 (d variable)
Residuals	Residuals	Residuals
Minimum 1Q Median 3Q Maximum	Minimum 1Q Median 3Q Maximum	Minimum 1Q Median 3Q Maximum
-6.6240 -1.9974 -0.2347 3.0464 9.3710	-5.9551 -1.9531 -0.3995 1.7236 8.9614	-6.624 -2.059 -0.427 1.738 9.371
Coefficients	Coefficients	Coefficients
Estimate Standard error t value Pr(>[t])	Estimate Standard error t value Pr(> t)	Estimate Standard error t value Pr(> t)
a 35.40717 1.64771 21.489 <2e-16	28.18961 1.00748 27.980	a 35.407173 1.642078 21.562 <2e-16
-0.29496 0.05011 -5.886	-9.194	0.049937 -5.907
3 1.89384 -3.303	-9.67336 1.59986 -6.046	1.988479 -3.630
0.09018 0.06067 1.486	0.19552 0.04426 4.418	0.003778 0.061127 0.62
a/b 0.09018 0.06067 1.486 0.14325		d/b 0.003778 0.061127 0.62 0.950857
Residual standard error : 3.237 on 52 degrees of freedom Multiple R-Squared : 0.5915, Adjusted R-squared : 0.5679	Residual standard error : 2.898 on 84 degrees of freedom Multiple R-Squared : 0.6332, Adjusted R-squared : 0.5891	Residual standard error : 3.226 on 86 degrees of freedom Multiple R-Squared : 0.6800, Adjusted R-squared : 0.6697
F-statistic: 25.09 on 3 and 52 degrees of freedom, p-value: 3.546e-10	F-statistic : 42.57 on 3 and 84 degrees of freedom, p-value : <2.2e-16	F-statistic : 61.14 on 3 and 86 degrees of freedom, p-value : <2.2e-16
Clace 1 and Class 2 are composed of the sea surface te	momentures estimated from the fish tooth δ^{18} O from t	Class 1 and Class 2 are composed of the sea surface temperatures estimated from the fish tooth δ^{18} O from the mid-Cretaceous period and from the latest Cretaceous
Class 1 and Class 2 are composed of the sea surface te	imperatures estimated from the fish tooth 0.00 from t	he mid-Cretaceous period and from the latest Cretaceous

Table DR2 (Data Repository item). Outputs of the statistical model.

the intercept of the two compared classes. equation of Erez and Luz (1983) and a δ^{18} O of seawater of -1‰. The linear model used for these estimations is described below. The coefficients a and b represent the intercept and the slope of the linear fits for the fish tooth data, which appear on Fig. 2 (plain lines) and Fig. 3 (dotted lines) and d corresponds to the difference between temperatures estimated from the foraminifera δ^{18} O from the mid-Cretaceous period and from the latest Cretaceous period, respectively (triangles on Fig. 2), using the period, respectively (circles on Fig. 2), using the equation of Kolodny et al. (1983) and a δ^{18} O of seawater of -1‰; Class 3 and Class 4 are composed of the sea surface are composed or the set surface temperatures estimated from the fish tooth o. "U from the mid-Cretaceous period and from the latest Cretaceous DR Item 2007031

STATISTICAL MODEL DESCRIPTION

For testing the validity of a statistical model, it is classical to set and test a null hypothesis, say H0. For example, in the simplest of the several statistical models studied in this paper, H0 corresponds to the hypothesis that there is no linear relationship between our observations (e.g. temperature) and an explanatory variable like the latitude, i.e. H0 means that the slope is equal to zero. To measure how much evidence we have against H0, we compute a p-value that is defined as a probability of observing a large estimated value of the slope under the assumption that H0 is true. For example, a p-value of .01 means there is a 1 in 100 chance the result occurred by chance. In this context, the classical interpretation of the p-value is that the smaller the p-value is, the more evidence we have against H0. Hence, a very small p-value indicates a strong evidence against H0, i.e. against the hypothesis that there is no linear relationship between our variables. A similar reasoning can be used to interpret the evidence that our data bring against all the statistical models and their associated null hypothesis that we have proposed. Traditionally, researchers reject the null hypothesis if the p-value is less than 0.05, i.e. this corresponds to the classical 95% confidence level.

Our statistical model can be written as a classical linear one (Venables and Ripley, 1994; Everitt, 1994) :

$Y = X\beta + \varepsilon$

Where the noise vector ε is assumed to have a zero-mean Gaussian distribution with covariance matrix $\Sigma = \sigma^2 I$ with I being the identity matrix. Our goal is to assess if the linear functions fitting two data groups, say class 1 and class2, have the same slope or different ones. The response, i.e. the temperatures, can be described by the vector $Y_{i,j,k}$ where the

subscripts i,j, and k correspond to the two classes (i = 1,2), the latitudes and the number of observations per latitude and group, respectively. The explanatory matrix X is equal to :

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & L_{1,1} \\ 1 & 0 & L_{1,2} \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ 1 & 0 & L_{1,n} \\ 1 & 1 & L_{2,1} \\ 1 & 1 & L_{2,2} \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ 1 & 1 & L_{2,m} \end{bmatrix}$$

Where $L_{i,l}$ represents the latitudes. These latitudes are divided with respect to the two classes (i=1,2), a total of *n* observations from the class period 1 and a total of *m* records from the class period 2. The first column of ones in the matrix X corresponds to the intercept part. The vector β has three unknown parameters $\beta = (a,d,b)^T$ where *a* and *b* represent the intercept and the slope of the linear function fitting class 1 and *d* corresponds to the difference between the intercept of class 1 and the intercept of class 2. The zeroes in the second column indicate that the distance *d* has no effect on the first line. In comparison, the ones in the second part of the second column represent the effect of *d*.

We chose to work with this simple model, which includes only three parameters, because the scarcity of available records makes otherwise the risk of over-fitting high. The different linear models tested, as well as their fit quality, are summarized above.

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