**Table DR1.** Coeval late Paleoproterozoic and Mesoproterozoic palaeomagnetic poles from Baltica (Fennoscandia) and Laurentia.

Rock name	Age	 Plat	Plong	A <sub>95</sub>	Reference
	(Ma)	(°N)	(°E)	(°)	
Fennoscandia					
Shoksha Formation	1790-1770	39.7	221.1	4.0	Pisarevsky and Sokolov (2001)
Mean for Baltica	~1460	15.0	181.0	11.0	Salminen and Pesonen (2007)
Mean for Baltica	~1265	4.0	158.0	4.0	Pesonen et al. (2003)
Salla Dyke	1122±7	71.0	113.0	8.1	Salminen et al. (2009)
Laanila Dolerite	$1045 \pm 50$	-2.0	212.0	15.0	Mertanen et al.(1996)
Laurentia					
Mean for Laurentia	1760-1740	20.8	265.5	5.2	Irving et al. (2004)
St. Francois Mts.	1476±16	-13.2	219.0	6.1	Meert and Stuckey (2002)
Michikamau Intr.	$1460 \pm 5$	-1.5	217.5	4.7	Emslie et. al. (1976)
Harp Lake Complex	1450±5	1.6	206.3	4.3	Irving et al. (1977)
MacKenzie dykes	1267+7/-3	4.0	190.0	5.0	Buchan and Halls (1990), LeCheminant and
					Heaman (1989)
Freda Sandstone	1050±30	2.0	179.0	4.0	Henry et al. (1977), Wingate et al.(2002)
Nonesuch Shale	1050±30	8.0	178.0	4.0	Henry et al. (1977), Wingate et al.(2002)

Plat, Plong = latitude and longitude of the paleomagnetic pole;  $A_{95}$  = semi-angle of the 95% cone of confidence.

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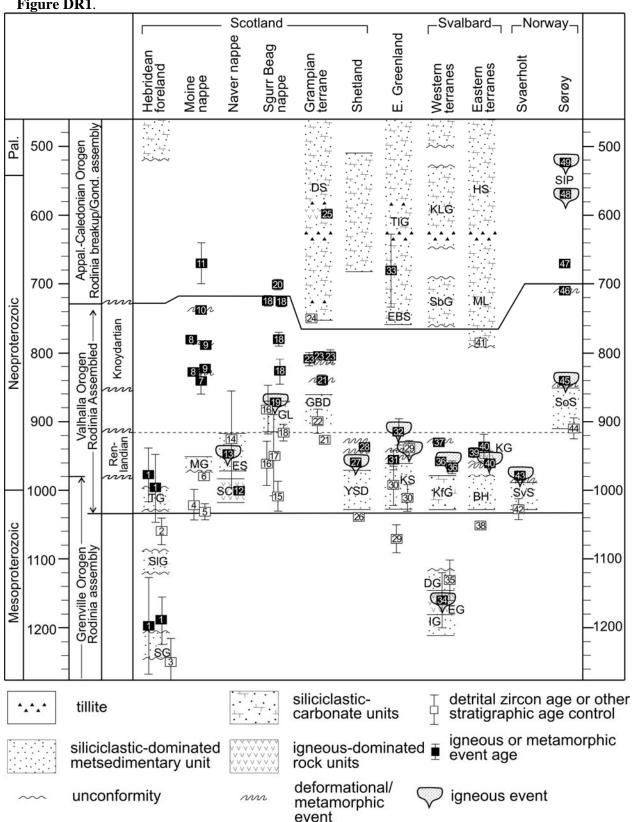


Figure DR1. Age range of principal late Mesoproterozoic to Paleozoic metasedimentary units and of tectonothermal events within regions affected by the Valhalla Orogen, from the North Atlantic borderlands. Numbers on data points refer to the following sources: 1 -Turnbull et al. (1996) determined a maximum age for the Stoer Group by a Rb-Sr age of  $1187 \pm 35$  Ma on chloritized biotite from a gneissic boulder and a Pb–Pb age of  $1199 \pm 70$ Ma on a thin stromatolitic bed low in the group interpreted as a depositional age and maximum ages for the Torridon Group of 994  $\pm$  48 and 977  $\pm$  39 based on Rb/Sr analysis of shales; 2 – Rainbird et al. (2001), U–Pb zircon age of  $1060 \pm 18$  Ma for youngest detrital grain in Torridon Group; 3 – Kinnaird et al. (2007), U-Pb zircon age of 1247 ± 34 Ma for youngest detrital grain in Sleat Group, the age of which is also constrained by its unconformable relationship with the overlying Torridon Group and inferred younger age than the Stoer Group; 4 – Kirkland et al. (2008), U–Pb zircon age of  $1022 \pm 24$  Ma for youngest detrital grain in Morar Group, Moine Nappe; 5 – Friend et al. (2003), U-Pb zircon age of 1032 ± 12 Ma for youngest detrital grain in Morar Group, Moine Nappe; 6 – Peters (2001) – U-Pb zircon age of 980 ± 4 Ma for youngest detrital grain in Morar Group, Moine Nappe; 7 - Kirkland et al. (2008), U-Pb magmatic zircon overgrowth age of 842±20 Ma on detrital Morar Group zircon, Moine Nappe; 8 – Rogers et al. (1998) U–Pb monazite ages of  $827 \pm 2$ and 781 ± 1 Ma for the syn-metamorphic Ardnish and Sgurr Breac pegmatites intrusive into Morar Group; 9 – Vance et al. (1998), Sm-Nd garnet-whole rock ages of  $823 \pm 5$  Ma and 788± 4 Ma for growth zones in garnet from the Morar Group; 10 – Tanner and Evans (2003), U– Pb titanite age from calc-silicate pod in Morar Group, Moine Nappe; 11 – Storey et al. (2004), U-Pb titanite age of 669 ± 31 Ma occurring within, and inferred to date, a shear zone between eastern and western units of the Glenelg-Attadale Inlier, which also contains Morar Group rocks; 12 – Burns et al. (2004), Nd depleted mantle model age of around 1000 Ma for the Strathy Complex, possible basement assemblage to the East Sunderland Moine succession in the Naver Nappe; 13 – Kinny and Strachan (unpublished data), U-Pb zircon age of c. 965 Ma for protolith to grey granitic gneisses; 14 – Friend et al. (2003), U–Pb zircon age of 926 ± 68 Ma for youngest detrital grain from within the Kirtomy migmatites in East Sunderland Moine succession, Naver Nappe; 15 - Kirkland et al. (2008), U-Pb zircon age of  $1009 \pm 22$ Ma for youngest detrital grain in sample of Glenfinnan Group, Sgurr Beag Nappe; 16 – Cawood et al. (2004), U-Pb zircon age of  $962 \pm 32$  Ma for the average of four analyses from youngest detrital grain in sample of Loch Eil Group, and U-Pb zircon age of  $883 \pm 35$  Ma for the average of two analyses from youngest detrital grain in sample of Glen Urquhart psammite, Sgurr Beag Nappe; 17 – Friend et al. (2003), U-Pb zircon age of 947 ± 59 Ma for youngest detrital grain in sample of granite gneiss incorporating metasediments of the Glenfinnan Group, Sgurr Beag Nappe; 18 – Emery (2005) and Cutts, Kinny, Strachan, Hand, Kelsey, Emery, Friend, & Leslie (unpublished data) U-Pb zircon age of 917 ± 13 Ma for youngest detrital grain from sample of Glenfinnan Group, Sgurr Beag Nappe and U-Pb zircon age of  $725 \pm 4$  Ma and ICP-MS monazite ages of  $825 \pm 18$  Ma,  $782 \pm 11$  Ma and  $724 \pm 6$  Ma for monazite from migmatites within the Glenfinnan Group, Sgurr Beag Nappe; 19 – U-Pb zircon ages of felsic and mafic igneous bodies emplaced into the Glenfinnan and Loch Eil groups of the Sgurr Beag Nappe give ages of 873 ± 7 Ma for the Ardgour Granite Gneiss (Friend et al., 1997),  $873 \pm 6$  Ma for mafic sheets (Millar, 1999), and  $870 \pm 20$  Ma for the Fort Augustus Granite Gneiss (Rogers et al., 2001); 20 – Cawood, Kinny, Strachan and Loewy (unpublished data), U-Pb zircon age on high-U rims of the Glen Doe Granite Gneiss yield an age of c. 700 Ma; 21 – Highton et al. (1999), U–Pb zircon ages of  $926 \pm 6$  Ma for youngest detrital grain and  $840 \pm 11$  Ma for melt crystallization and new zircon growth in sample of Dava succession from within Grampian Shear Zone. The succession is part of the sub-Grampian basement to the Dalradian Supergroup and inferred to be an equivalent to the Moine succession (Piasecki, 1980); 22 – Cawood et al. (2003), U–Pb zircon age of  $900 \pm 17$ 

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## Abbreviations:

BH – Brennevinsfjorden Group and Helvetesflya Formation

DG – Deilegga Group

DS – Dalradian Supergroup

EBS – Eleonore Bay Supergroup

EG – Eimfiellet Group

ES – East Sunderland Moine succession

GBD – Glen Banchor and Dava successions, sub-Grampian basement

GL – Glenfinnan and Loch Eil Groups, including Glen Urquhart psammite

HS – Hinlopenstretet Supergroup

IG – Isbjörnhamma Group

KfG – Krossfjorden Group

KG – Kapp Hansteen Group

KLG – Kapp Lyell Group

KS – Krummedal succession

MG – Morar Group

ML – Murchisonfjorden and Lomfjorden successions

Pal. - Paleozoic

SbG – Sofiebogen Group

SC – Strathy Complex

SG – Stoer Group

SIP - Seiland Igneous Province

SlG – Sleat Group

SoS – Sørøy succession, Kalak Nappe Complex

SvS – Svaerholt succession, Kalak Nappe Complex

TG – Torridon Group

TlG – Tillite Group

YSD – Yell Sound Division – Westing Group

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