

SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL

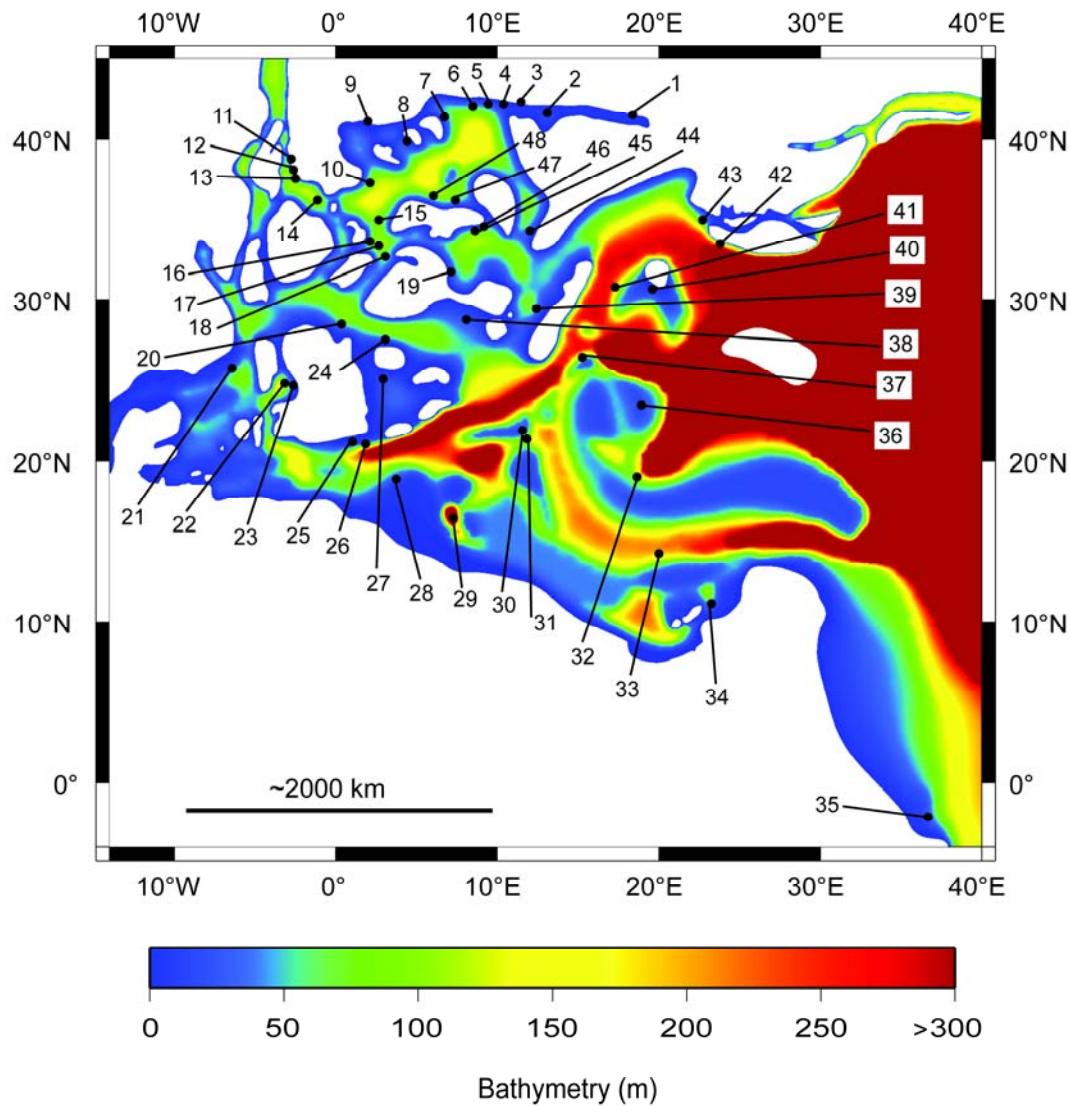


Figure DR1: Detailed paleogeographic reconstruction of the Early Jurassic Laurasian Seaway. Numbered locations correspond to data points where sedimentary data is available for paleobathymetric interpretation (see Table DR1).

Table DR1: Paleobathymetric data for the Early Jurassic Laurasian Seaway listing lithological unit and corresponding sedimentological interpretation. See Figure 4 for locations of data points. Results for tidal range and bed shear stress are presented for the ‘base case’ scenario and bed shear stress variations are summarized over the course of the transgression.

Data Point	Unit Name	Description	Results	Reference(s)
1	Skłobby Fm/Przysucha Fm.	Predominantly nearshore marine (barrier island-lagoonal/deltaic) with some fine grained offshore heterolithics	Tidal range: ~0.3 m Bed shear stress: ~0.01 Nm ⁻² Dry for MSL < base case. Bed shear stress remains roughly constant during flooding when MSL > base case.	Pienkowski (1991)
2	Lower/Middle Mechowo Beds	Wave-dominated nearshore marine (some barrier island-lagoonal and deltaic deposits)	Tidal range: ~0.35 m Bed shear stress: ~0.01 Nm ⁻² Dry for MSL < base case. Bed shear stress remains roughly constant during flooding when MSL > base case.	Pienkowski (1991)
3	Rønne Fm. (Lower Søse Bugt Mm.)	Coarse grained SST, coastal plain to restricted marine	Tidal range: ~0.25 m Bed shear stress: ~0.2 Nm ⁻² Dry for MSL < base case. Maximum bed shear stress at base case, gradually decreases with increasing water depth.	Surlyk et al. (1995)
4	Höör SST (Vittseröd Mm.)	Fine grained shallow marine SST reworked by waves and currents	Tidal range: ~0.55 m Bed shear stress: ~0.07 Nm ⁻² Dry for MSL < base case. Bed shear stress remains roughly constant during flooding when MSL > base case.	Ahlberg et al. (2003)
5	Högänäs Fm. (Helsingborg Mm.)	Deltaic	Tidal range: ~0.6 m Bed shear stress: ~0.02 Nm ⁻² Bed shear stress remains roughly constant through flooding.	Pienkowski (1991); Ahlberg et al. (2003)
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7	Fjerritslev Fm.	Storm beds/ mud rich offshore marine succession	Tidal range: ~0.6 m Bed shear stress: ~0.02 Nm ⁻² Bed shear stress remains roughly constant through flooding.	Pedersen (1985); Andsjberg & Dybkjær (2003); Michelsen et al. (2003)
8	Gassum Fm.	Deltaic	Tidal range: ~0.55 m Bed shear stress: ~0.14 Nm ⁻² Bed shear stress decreases with flooding.	Bradshaw et al. (1992); Michelsen et al. (2003)
9	Gassum Fm.	Fluvial/shoreface	Tidal range: ~1.0 m Bed shear stress: ~0.03 Nm ⁻² Dry for MSL < base case. Bed shear stress decreases slightly with flooding when MSL > base case.	Hamar et al. (1983); Bradshaw et al. (1992)
10	Redcar Mudstone Fm. (Calcareous Shales Mm.)	Mud dominated offshore marine succession with well sorted shelly deposits	Tidal range: ~0.35 m Bed shear stress: ~0.02 Nm ⁻² Bed shear stress remains roughly constant through flooding.	van Buchem et al (1992); Rawson & Wright (1995); Simms et al. (2004)
11	Lower Broadford Beds Fm.	Offshore marine calcilutites and shales	Tidal range: ~0.55 m Bed shear stress: ~0.1 Nm ⁻² Bed shear stress generally increases with flooding.	Morton (1987); Morton & Hudson (1995)
12	Lower Broadford Beds Fm.	Offshore marine calcilutites and shales	Tidal range: ~0.3 m Bed shear stress: ~0.02 Nm ⁻² Bed shear stress generally increases with flooding.	Morton (1987); Morton & Hudson (1995)

13	Blue Lias Fm.	Offshore marine mudstones and limestones	Tidal range: ~0.4 m Bed shear stress: ~0.04 Nm ⁻² Bed shear stress remains roughly constant through flooding.	Morton (1987); Morton (1992)
14	Waterloo Mudstone Fm.	Offshore marine mudstones and limestones	Tidal range: ~0.35 m Bed shear stress: ~0.01 Nm ⁻² Bed shear stress increases slightly through flooding.	Ivimey-Cook (1975); Simms & Jeram (2007)
15	Blue Lias Fm.	Offshore marine mudstones and limestones	Tidal range: ~0.3 m Bed shear stress: ~0.05 Nm ⁻² Bed shear stress increases slightly through flooding.	cf. Hallam (1960); Cox et al. (1999); Ambrose (2001)
16	Blue Lias Fm. (Sutton Stone)	Nearshore marine coarse grained shelly limestones/breccias	Tidal range: ~0.3 m Bed shear stress: ~0.05 Nm ⁻² Dry for MSL < base case. Bed shear stress remains roughly constant through flooding when MSL > base case.	Sheppard (2007)
17	Blue Lias Fm.	Offshore marine mudstones and limestones	Tidal range: ~0.35 m Bed shear stress: ~0.02 Nm ⁻² Bed shear stress remains roughly constant during flooding.	Hallam (1960)
18	Blue Lias Fm.	Offshore marine mudstones and limestones	Tidal range: ~0.4 m Bed shear stress: ~0.04 Nm ⁻² Bed shear stress remains roughly constant during flooding.	Hallam (1960)
19	'dolomitic cap rocks'	Restricted nearshore shallow marine dolomites	Tidal range: ~1.25 m Bed shear stress: ~0.03 Nm ⁻² Dry for MSL < base case. Bed shear stress remains roughly constant during flooding when MSL > base case.	Huault et al. (1995)
20	Gijon Fm.	Predominantly subtidal with some interbedded deltaic units	Tidal range: ~0.7 m Bed shear stress: ~0.02 Nm ⁻² Dry for MSL < -15 m. Bed shear stress remains roughly constant during flooding when MSL > -15 m.	Barron et al. (2006)
21	Argo Fm.	Restricted shallow marine evaporites	Tidal range: ~0.75 m Bed shear stress: ~0.01 Nm ⁻² Dry for MSL < -15 m. Bed shear stress remains roughly constant during flooding when MSL > -15 m.	Magoon et al. (2005)
22	Coimbra Fm.	Offshore marine sandy carbonates	Tidal range: ~1.1 m Bed shear stress: ~0.02 Nm ⁻² Dry for MSL < -30 m. Bed shear stress remains roughly constant during flooding when MSL > -15 m.	Alves et al. (2002)
23	Dagorda Fm.	Restricted shallow marine evaporites, dolomites and mudstones	Tidal range: ~1.0m Bed shear stress: ~0.01 Nm ⁻² Dry for MSL < -30 m. Bed shear stress remains roughly constant during flooding when MSL > -15 m.	Ribeiro et al. (1979); Alves et al. (2002.)
24	Puerto de al Palombera Fm.	Shallow water carbonates	Tidal range: ~0.9 m Bed shear stress: ~0.1 Nm ⁻² Bed shear stress remains roughly constant through flooding.	Quesada et al. (2005)
25	Gavilan Fm.	Peritidal dolomites deposited on platform/ramp	Tidal range: ~1.25 m Bed shear stress: ~0.06 Nm ⁻² Bed shear stress remains roughly constant through flooding.	Ruiz-Ortiz et al. (2004)
26	Rio Banco Unit	Marginal marine to offshore carbonate ramp	Tidal range: ~1.1 m Bed shear stress: ~0.05 Nm ⁻² Bed shear stress remains	Braga & Lopez-Lopez (1989)

			roughly constant through flooding.	
27	Lacera Fm.	Nearshore marine evaporites and dolomites	Tidal range: ~0.65 m Bed shear stress: ~0.14 Nm ⁻² Dry for MSL < base case. Bed shear stress decreases slightly with flooding when MSL > base case.	Gomez et al. (2007)
28	Oust Fm.	Shallow marine oolitic to stomatolitic dolomites and limestones	Tidal range: ~0.9 m Bed shear stress: ~0.4 Nm ⁻² Dry for MSL < base case. Bed shear stress decreases significantly with flooding when MSL > base case.	Kamoun et al. (1999); Kamoun et al. (2001)
29	Streppenosa Fm.	Black shales interbedded with turbiditic carbonates deposited on shelf slope	Tidal range: ~0.8 m Bed shear stress: ~0.5 Nm ⁻² Bed shear stress increases from MSL = -45 m to +15 m before decreasing.	Brosse et al. (1988); Novelli et al. (1988); Yellin-Dror et al. (1997)
30	Calcare Massiccio Fm.	Peritidal carbonate platform	Tidal range: ~0.9 m Bed shear stress: ~0.44 Nm ⁻² Dry for MSL < -15 m. Maximum bed shear stress at base case, gradually decreases with increasing water depth.	Santantonio (1993); Ciarapica (2007)
31	<i>aungulata</i> Limestones	Shallow marine marginal carbonate platform	Tidal range: ~0.9 m Bed shear stress: ~0.25 Nm ⁻² Dry for MSL < -15 m. Maximum bed shear stress at base case, gradually decreases with increasing water depth.	Colacicchi et al. (1975); Ciarapica (2007)
32	Drimos Fm.	Limestones deposited in slope from platform margin to abyssal depths	Tidal range: ~1.8 m Bed shear stress: ~0.34 Nm ⁻² Bed shear stress decreases significantly with increasing water depth.	Degnan & Robertson (1998)
33	Chennemdere Fm. (Dibekli Mm.)	Dolomitic limestones in platform setting	Tidal range: ~0.9 m Bed shear stress: ~0.05 Nm ⁻² Bed shear stress remains roughly constant through flooding.	Ozer et al. (2004); Eren et al. (2007)
34	Dereköy Fm.	Deep water siliceous mudstones and cherts with some redeposited mudstones and black shales	Tidal range: ~1.5 m Bed shear stress: ~0.1 Nm ⁻² Dry for MSL < base case. Bed shear stress decreases slightly with flooding when MSL > base case.	Robertson & Woodrock (1981)
35	Musandam Gp.	Peritidal carbonate platform	Tidal range: ~3.6 m Bed shear stress: ~1.8 Nm ⁻² Bed shear stress is consistently high throughout flooding.	Walkden & de Matos (2000)
36	Pantokrator Fm.	Peritidal carbonate platform	Tidal range: ~2.2 m Bed shear stress: ~0.92 Nm ⁻² Dry for MSL < -30 m. Bed shear stress decreases with increasing sea levels.	Pomoni-Papaioannou (2008); Bosence et al. (2009)
37	Kardosret Limestone Fm.	Shallow marine oncoidal micritic limestones	Tidal range: ~2.1 m Bed shear stress: ~1.3 Nm ⁻² Dry for MSL < base case. Bed shear stress decreases with flooding when MSL > base case.	Dulai (1993)
38	Carcans Dolomite Fm.	Nearshore marine dolomites	Tidal range: ~1.85 m Bed shear stress: ~0.5 Nm ⁻² Dry for MSL < -30 m. Bed shear stress rises for MSL -30 m to base case before decreasing.	Biteau et al. (2006)
39	Saint-Pons Dolomite Fm.	Peritidal dolomites	Tidal range: ~1.2 m Bed shear stress: ~0.06 Nm ⁻² Dry for MSL < -15 m. Bed shear stress rises for MSL -30 m to base case before decreasing.	Leonide et al. (2007)

40	Pisznice Limestone Fm.	Shallow carbonate platform crinoidal limestones	Tidal range: ~2.5 m Bed shear stress: ~1.0 Nm ⁻² Dry for MSL < base case. Bed shear stress decreases with flooding when MSL > base case.	Haas & Hámor (2001)
41	Kopieniec Fm.	Subtidal shallow marine mudstones with interbedded limestones	Tidal range: ~3.2 m Bed shear stress: ~0.4 Nm ⁻² Bed shear stress increases from MSL of -45 m to base case before decreasing with further flooding.	Tomašových (2004); Michalik et al. (2007)
42	Kostina Fm.	Coarse to medium grained shallow marine sandstones	Tidal range: ~1.9 m Bed shear stress: ~0.04 Nm ⁻² Bed shear stress decreases during flooding.	Tchoumatchenko et al. (2006b)
43	Infra Getic Unit	Shallow marine sandstones with bioclastic limestones	Tidal range: ~3.1 m Bed shear stress: ~0.9 Nm ⁻² Dry for MSL < -15 m. Bed shear stress remains high during flooding.	Tchoumatchenko et al. (2006a)
44	Angulata Beds	Iron rich shallow marine high energy oolites	Tidal range: ~1.4 m Bed shear stress: ~0.5 Nm ⁻² Dry for MSL < -30 m. Bed shear stress increase with flooding, peaks at base case before finally decreasing.	Schwab & Spangenberg (2007)
45	Jamoigne Fm.	Restricted shallow marine subtidal marls with sandy-limestones	Tidal range: ~1.0 m Bed shear stress: ~0.02 Nm ⁻² Bed shear stress remains roughly constant during flooding.	Boulvain et al (2000); Delsate et al. (2002)
46	Luxembourg Sandstone Fm.	Shallow marine tidal sandwaves/deltaic sandstones	Tidal range: ~1.0 m Bed shear stress: ~0.02 Nm ⁻² Bed shear stress remains roughly constant during flooding.	Berners (1983, 1985); Mertens (1983); Van den Bril & Swennen (2009)
47	Aalburg Fm.	Lower shoreface to offshore deposits	Tidal range: ~0.5 m Bed shear stress: ~0.01 Nm ⁻² Dry for MSL > base case. Bed shear stress remains roughly constant during flooding when MSL > base case.	Herngreen et al. (2003); Michelsen et al. (2003)
48	Aalburg Fm.	Lower shoreface to offshore deposits	Tidal range: ~0.5 m Bed shear stress: ~0.001 Nm ⁻² Bed shear stress remains roughly constant during flooding when MSL > base case.	Herngreen et al. (2003); Michelsen et al. (2003)

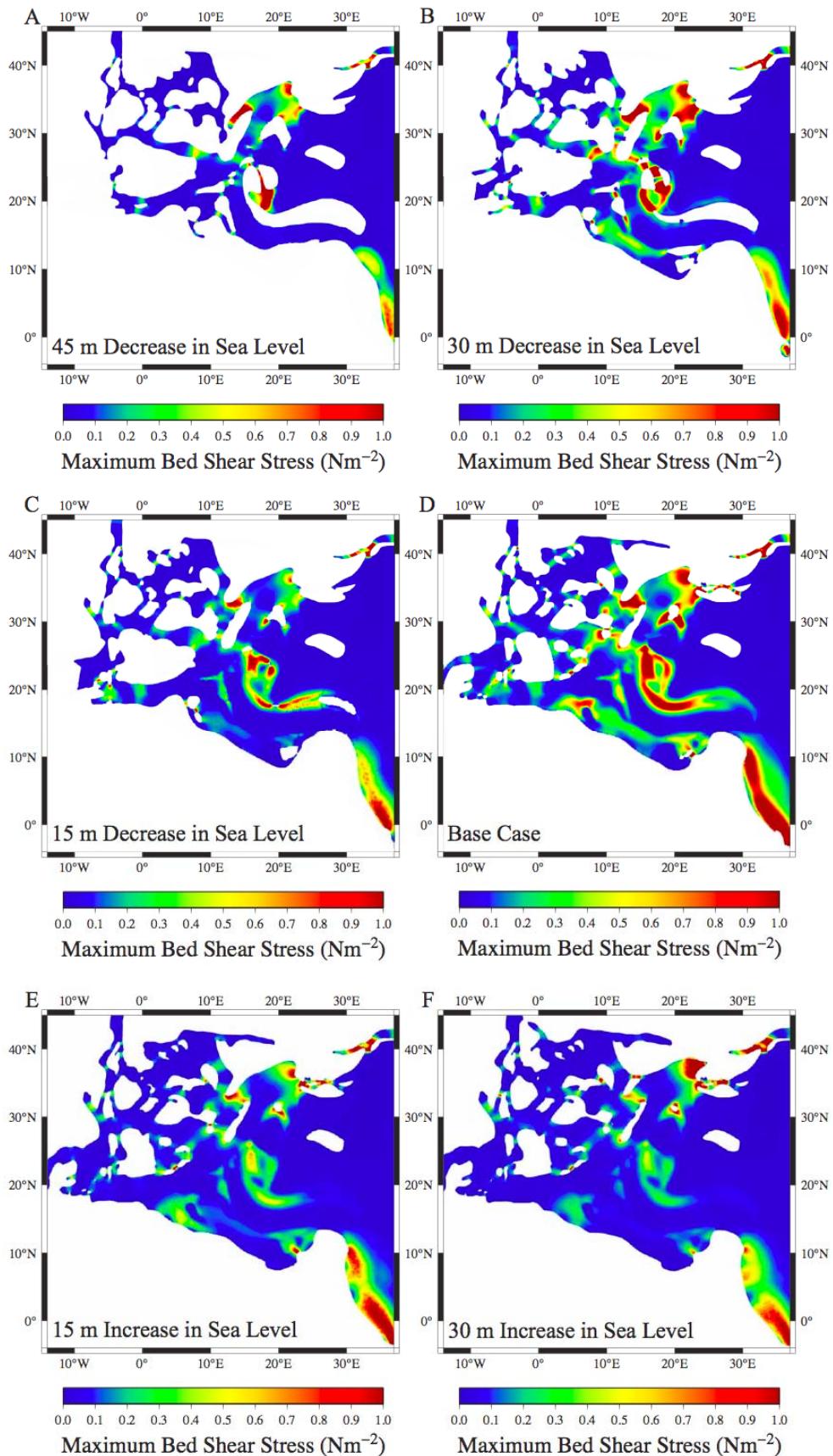


Figure DR2: Maximum bed shear stresses over an idealized 75 m transgression where sea-level varies from -45 m to +30 m relative to the ‘base case’ scenario.

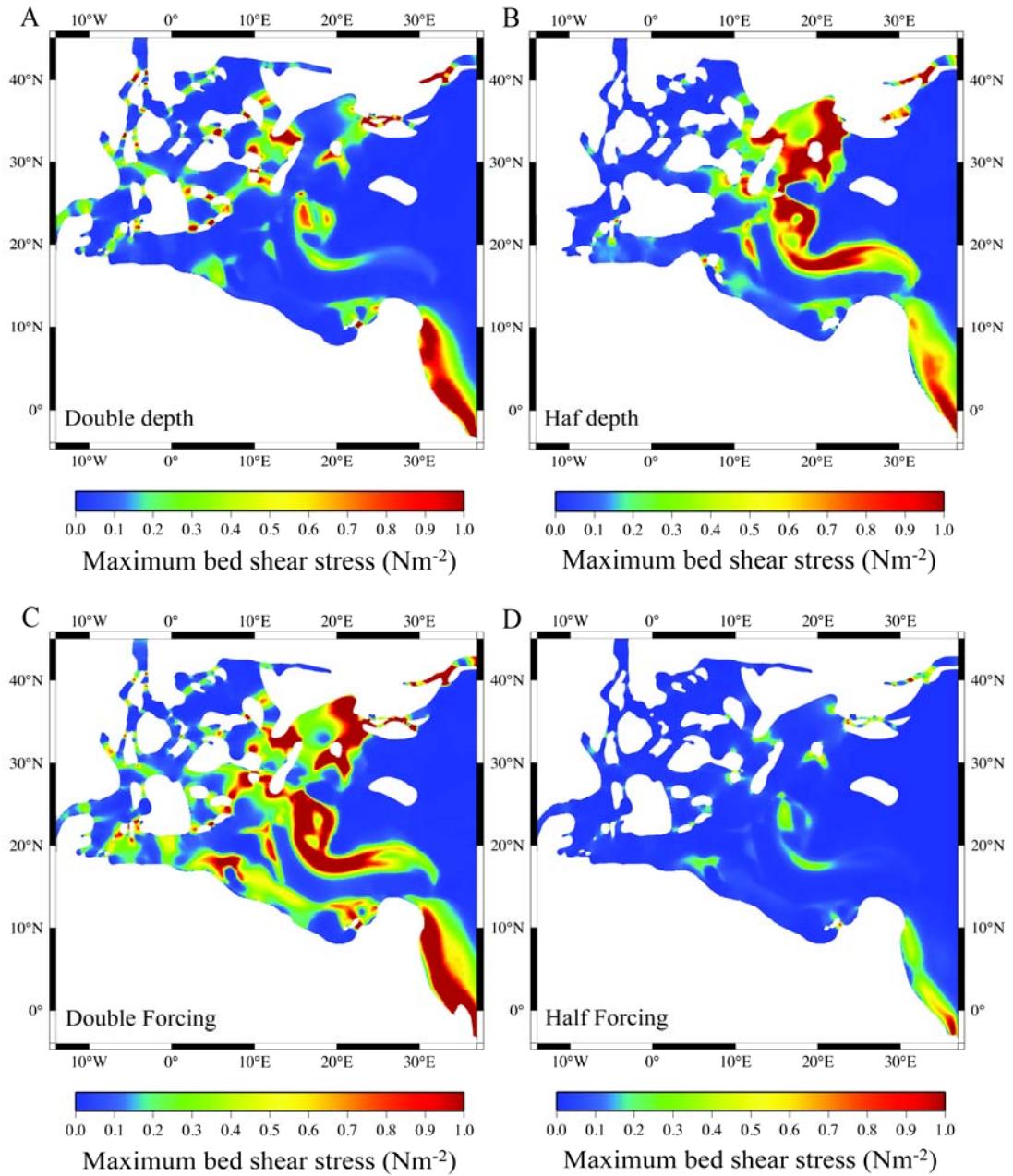


Figure DR3: Sensitivity tests addressing the sensitivity of the tidal circulation in the Laurasian Seaway to changes in water depth and strength of tidal forcing. (A) and (B) show the effects when the depth of water is doubled and halved in the Laurasian Seaway respectively. Increasing the depth reduces the shoaling effect of the tidal wave on the shelf break thus reducing the maximum bed shear stresses relative to the ‘base case’ (Fig. 3B). As the widths of the straits and the emergent regions remain the same however constriction of the flow within the interior of the seaway is widespread resulting in many localized regions where the bed shear stress exceeds 1.0 Nm⁻². Decreasing the depth by half however restricts the elevated maximum bed shear stresses to the shelf break where shoaling is the dominant process. (C) and (D) show the effects of doubling and halving the astronomical forcing potential respectively. Doubling the forcing increases the maximum bed shear stress throughout the domain with the most apparent increases in the east. Decreasing the astronomical forcing potential by half on the other hand limits maximum bed shear stresses to <0.5 Nm⁻² over the entire Laurasian Seaway.

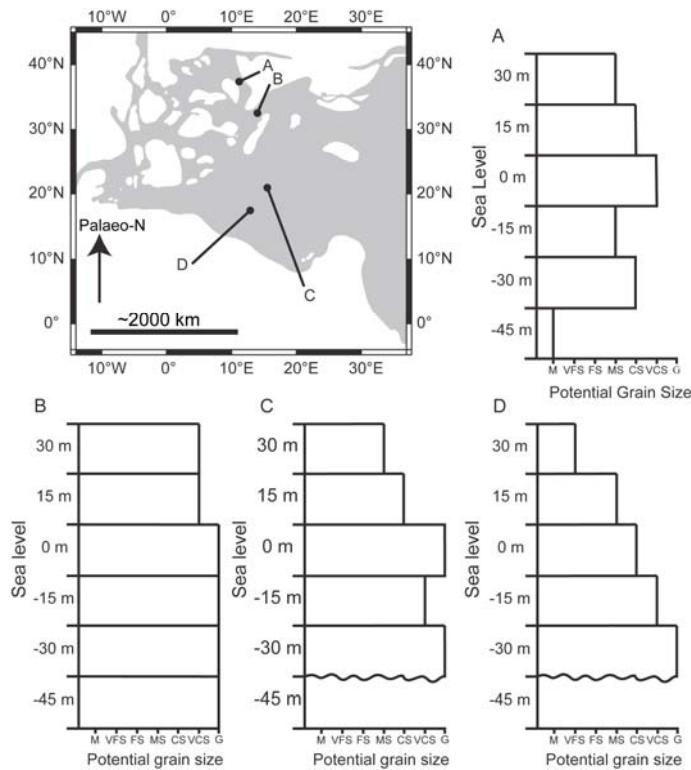


Figure DR4. Synthetic logs drawn at four selected points in the Laurasian Seaway plotting potential grain size variations with rising sea-level through an idealized transgression. Potential grain sizes are as follows: M = mud, VFS = very fine sand, FS = fine sand, MS = medium sand, CS = coarse sand, VCS = very coarse sand and G = gravel. (I) Shows a general upward coarsening trend during transgression between the -45 m and 0 m scenarios at this location. This is caused by local constriction effects becoming more prominent as the tidal wave propagates further into the seaway during flooding. Eventually the drowning of the topography and widening of the straits causes upward shallowing. (II-IV) all show a general upward fining trend that is more typical of transgressions.

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