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Erosion of the Southern Alps of New Zealand during the last deglaciation

1   **Sediment core**

2   Cruise TAN0712 was a research voyage programme led by National Institute of Water and  
3   Atmosphere (NIWA), with an aim to recover the late Quaternary glaciation history through  
4   the sedimentary records. A 2.65 m long (top lost) piston core TAN0712-27 (-43.753917°,  
5   168.150617°) was recovered by RV *Tangaroa* from a submarine canyon levee at a water  
6   depth of 1369 m. The levee is composed of overspilled fine turbidity and hemipelagic  
7   sediment, with the bulk of terrestrial sediment entering the canyon system transported into  
8   the deep Tasman Sea (Neil et al., 2007). The core is described as olive grey homogeneous  
9   foram mud, with a gradational colour boundary to dark grey at 230 cm (Fig. DR1G) (Neil et  
10   al., 2007).

11   **Environmental magnetic analysis**

12   Volume-normalized magnetic susceptibility ( $\kappa$ ) (SI; 0.1 sensitivity setting) and anhysteretic  
13   susceptibility ( $\kappa$ ARM) (saturation anhysteretic remanent magnetisation (ARM) normalized  
14   by applied bias field of 79.6 A/m) (Fig. DR1D) were measured at 1 cm resolution down-core  
15   on u-channels using a 2G Enterprises superconducting rock magnetometer with an inline AF  
16   demagnetizer, ARM solenoid and Bartington MS2 magnetic susceptibility loop meter at the  
17   University of Otago. Further rock magnetic experiments confirmed magnetite as the magnetic  
18   carrier in the TAN0712 cores (Nelson, 2011; Nelson et al., 2013). The major sources of  
19   magnetite in this part of the Southern Alps are metavolcanic horizons within the schist or  
20   exposures of the Dun Mountain Ultramafic Belt (Bradley et al., 2002). Magnetic  
21   susceptibility is a down-core parameter commonly used for correlation between cores;  
22   however, anhysteretic susceptibility records a significant signal in the TAN0712 cores post-  
23   LGM. Magnetic susceptibility is a measure of the concentration of diamagnetic,  
24   paramagnetic and, particularly, ferromagnetic (sensu lato) components. Multi-domain  
25   magnetite preferentially acquires magnetic susceptibility ( $\kappa$ ), while single-domain magnetite

26 preferentially acquires anhysteretic susceptibility ( $\kappa$ ARM). Thus,  $\kappa$ ARM normalised by  $\kappa$   
27 (Fig. DR1E) is a magnetic mineral grain-size proxy parameter (King et al., 1982). In this  
28 paper, the susceptibility signals are presented as a correlation tool. The climatic and  
29 oceanographic interpretations of the TAN0712-23 magnetite grain-size signal presented in  
30 Nelson et al. (2013) can also be applied to TAN0712-27. Broadly, quasi-concomitant  
31 fluctuation of  $\kappa$ ARM and  $\kappa$  (end of core to 225 cm; Figs. DR1D and E) is interpreted as a  
32 proxy for local glacier advance/stagnation during the LGM. This is followed by an interval of  
33 a low concentration of magnetite (225 to 187 cm) corresponding with glacier retreat and  
34 deglacial climate-oceanographic reorganization. An increased concentration of finer  
35 magnetite (187 cm to top of core) characterizes the Holocene.

36 **Chronology and age model**

37 Bulk planktic foraminifera were submitted by National Institute Water and Atmospheric  
38 Research (NIWA) and University of Otago for accelerator mass spectrometry (AMS)  $^{14}\text{C}$   
39 measurements at the Rafter National Isotope Centre, GNS Science. The radiocarbon ages  
40 were converted to calendar years BP (cal yr BP) using Calib 6.0 (Stuiver and Reimer, 2016)  
41 and the marine09.14c dataset (Reimer et al., 2016) (Table DR1). As described in Nelson et al.  
42 (2013), a regional reservoir correction age value of -35 was applied.

43 Here, the TAN0712-27  $^{14}\text{C}$  age model (Nelson, 2011) is further refined by tuning the  
44 anhysteretic and magnetic susceptibility ratio  $\kappa$ ARM/ $\kappa$  record to the  $^{14}\text{C}$  dated TAN0712-23  
45 (-44.037833°, 167.420667°) (Nelson et al., 2013)  $\kappa$ ARM/ $\kappa$  record using the spline  
46 interpolation function of AnalySeries 2.0 (Paillard et al., 1996), with a linear correlation of  
47 0.96 (Table DR2; Fig. DR2).

48 **Total Organic Carbon: tracer abundance in the source bedrocks and preservation of  
49 the tracer during the transfer to the ocean**

50 Tracer abundance in the source rocks is a key parameter in provenance studies, as  
51 demonstrated by modelling in Nibourel et al. (2015). Here, Total Organic Carbon (TOC) in  
52 the source rocks represents the initial tracer abundance. We have compiled existing TOC data  
53 in the amphibolite, biotite, chlorite and sub-greenschist facies (prehnite-pumpellyite to  
54 pumpellyite-actinolite) schists/semischists in the Southern Alps, including data from single  
55 rocks (Hilton et al., 2008; Menzies et al., 2018) or river bedload material (Hilton et al., 2008;  
56 Horan et al., 2017; Nibourel et al., 2015). The *in situ* TOC measurements appear to show a  
57 general increase with the metamorphic grade, but show large variance for each type of rock,

58 indicating significant variation of carbon content at outcrop scale. Therefore, we follow  
59 Nibourel et al. (2015) and suggest that river bedload samples better represent the initial tracer  
60 abundance in the bedrock at the catchment scale. Using data from Nibourel et al. (2015),  
61 samples from rivers that drain mainly sub-greenschist rocks yield 0.06–0.09% TOC,  
62 indicating low carbon concentration. In catchments with chlorite and lower grade schist  
63 bedrocks, bedload samples yield 0.06–0.12% TOC, which increases to 0.1–0.16% if the  
64 catchments also comprise biotite schist rocks. Samples from catchments with no sub-  
65 greenschist rocks present higher TOC content of 0.17–0.18%. These observations imply a  
66 slightly lower carbon content in the chlorite schist than that in the biotite schist, although an  
67 accurate estimate is difficult due to the spatially varying erosion of bedrocks in a single  
68 catchment. Therefore, for this paper we impose a ratio in the range of 0.6–1.0 for the TOC  
69 ratio between chlorite and biotite schist, and consider it to be able to account for the  
70 uncertainty in tracer abundance in the source rocks.

71 We have also analysed total carbon content for new bedload material in the main  
72 rivers draining our region of interest, and for comparison, samples of Nibourel et al. (2015)  
73 from Whataroa River (Table DR4). The analyses were carried out using a CHN Elemental  
74 Analyzer (Carlo 184 Erba Flash EA 1112 CHNS/MAS200) on ~10 mg of dry powdered  
75 sediment. The precision was better than 1% based on an internal standard, and replicate  
76 samples. The reanalysed Whataroa samples show a good agreement with the TOC  
77 measurements obtained by Nibourel et al. (2015), who used a different analytical procedure.  
78 From the results, we observe that the bedload samples from the southwest of the Southern  
79 Alps, from our region of interest, show a smaller variation in the carbon content than that  
80 further north. For example, samples from Cascade, Arawhata, Waiatoto and Haast yield a  
81 small range of total carbon content of 0.076–0.115, despite the catchments containing schist  
82 bedrock in very different proportions of metamorphic grade. We interpret this as being due to  
83 rocks in the southwest belonging almost entirely within the Aspiring Lithologic Association  
84 with very similar primary sedimentological characteristics but different degrees of  
85 metamorphism (Rattenbury et al., 2010). In contrast catchments in the northeast (e.g.,  
86 Whataroa) contain a primary sedimentological boundary with lithostratigraphic variation  
87 parallel to the metamorphic isograds that is reflected locally in a variation in TOC (Nibourel  
88 et al., 2015). This further validates our selection of a wide range of TOC ratios between  
89 chlorite and biotite schists (0.6–1.0), sufficient to cover the potential variation in the tracer  
90 abundance in source rocks in the study area.

91 Another important point is the possible weathering of rock-derived carbon material  
92 (CM) affecting TOC all along the pathway from bedrock to the marine sediments. If  
93 significant weathering is occurring, it could bias the provenance tool towards the CM of  
94 highest peak temperatures (>500–550°C) as the more disordered CM corresponding to lower  
95 peak temperatures are more prone to weathering (e.g., Galy et al., 2008; Bouchez et al., 2010).  
96 In the Southern Alps, we have assumed that weathering is negligible, based on the  
97 observation of a lack of bias towards higher temperature carbonaceous material, i.e.,  
98 the >550°C high temperatures are actually poorly represented in our detrital RSCM data.  
99 Moreover, from the cold, dry LGM to the warm, humid Holocene, the increasing proportion  
100 of CM of low peak temperatures suggests insignificant impact from weathering on the  
101 distribution of CM peak temperatures.

102 Such weathering of CM is important in large scale erosional systems like the  
103 Himalayas to Bengal Fan (Galy et al., 2008) or the Andes-Amazon (Bouchez et al., 2010)  
104 systems, and carbon budgets show that the oxidation of rock-derived CM occurs in the large  
105 floodplains where sediments are stored over long periods. In a small-scale system like  
106 Taiwan based on a similar approach for carbon budget, Hilton et al. (2011) estimated a global  
107 oxidative flux of rock-derived CM up to  $15\% \pm 7\%$ , which likely affects immature and  
108 reactive CM sourced from very low grade metamorphic rocks present in this mountain belt  
109 and likely happens in soils (Hemingway et al., 2018). First, we note that CM in the Southern  
110 Alps is composed by graphitic carbon as it was submitted to metamorphism of peak  
111 temperatures generally higher than 300°C (Beyssac et al., 2016). All the labile fraction of  
112 organic carbon, which is prone to oxidative weathering, has been released from these rocks  
113 during burial, and the remaining graphitic carbon is highly, though not completely, refractory  
114 to bio-chemical weathering.

115 However, we acknowledge that in small-scale active mountain belts like the Southern  
116 Alps or Taiwan, recent studies using rhenium as a proxy for CM oxidation show that a  
117 fraction of rock-derived CM is lost during weathering in soils or glacial colluviums (Hilton et  
118 al., 2014; Horan et al., 2017), which is further confirmed by a budget of the oxidation of  
119 rock-derived CM in soils from Taiwan based on isotopic and organic geochemistry  
120 (Hemingway et al. 2018). In the Southern Alps, soils and glacial colluviums are thin (Horan  
121 et al., 2017; Larsen et al., 2014), and we assume their contribution to bedload material in  
122 rivers and marine sediments to be negligible compared to that of rocks excavated during  
123 landslide activity. Therefore, considering that rock-derived CM travels mostly in the river  
124 bedload compared to the suspended load (Galy et al., 2008), we assume that, as previously

125 justified by Hilton et al. (2014) and Horan et al. (2017), the TOC in river bedload is  
126 representative of TOC in the source rocks. In addition, in the Southern Alps, the transport in  
127 rivers and the subsequent turbidity deposition in the canyon are efficient and rapid, and  
128 therefore we expect no further weathering of rock-derived OC in such small-scale erosional  
129 system comparable what was described in Taiwan (Hilton et al., 2011; Kao et al., 2014).  
130 Altogether, we assume that the contribution of weathering of rock-derived CM, if any,  
131 remains lower than the uncertainty of the TOC inherited from the source rock lithology.

132 **Raman spectroscopy of carbonaceous material (RSCM) thermometry**

133 RSCM thermometry is based on quantification of the degree of graphitization of CM, which  
134 is a reliable indicator of metamorphic temperature (T). Because of the irreversible character  
135 of graphitization, CM structure is not sensitive to the retrograde path during exhumation of  
136 rocks and records the maximum T reached during metamorphism in the range 330–640°C  
137 (Beyssac et al., 2002) or even at lower temperature (Lahfid et al., 2010). Here Raman  
138 microspectroscopy is used to compare the structure of rock-derived fossil organic carbon in  
139 the marine sediments to that of fossil organic carbon in the mountain bedrocks. We convert  
140 the Raman parameters describing the degree of graphitization into peak metamorphic  
141 temperatures using the equations provided by Beyssac et al. (2002) and Lahfid et al. (2010).

142 Raman analysis of the marine sediments was performed directly on the sample raw  
143 powder without any chemical or mechanical extraction thus preserving the pristine structure  
144 of fossil organic carbon. Raman spectra were obtained by point measurement mapping using  
145 a Renishaw InVia Reflex instrument. This system is equipped with a Leica DMLM  
146 microscope, a grating with 1800 grooves per millimeter and a charge-coupled device detector.  
147 Spectra were excited using the 514.5 nm emission line of an argon laser (<1 mW measured at  
148 the sample surface) with a circular polarization thanks to a quarter wavelength plate set in the  
149 optical path before the microscope. We used a Leica objective x50 (numerical aperture of  
150 0.75) that yields a planar resolution of nearly 1 μm. The spectral resolution of the system is  
151 estimated at around 1.5 cm<sup>-1</sup> in the configuration used. Wavenumber calibration was done  
152 using a silicon standard and Ne lamp emission. On each sample, we collected 185–228  
153 spectra to have statistically significant data. To complement the dataset provided by Beyssac  
154 et al. (2016) in the source region of sediments, 16 new thin-sections of bedrock samples were  
155 analyzed using the same Raman spectrometer and following strictly the analytical procedure  
156 described by Beyssac et al. (2016). All Raman spectra from sediments and bedrocks  
157 (including those from Beyssac et al., 2016) were then fitted following the procedure

158 described in Beyssac et al. (2002), Lahfid et al. (2010) and using the software provided by  
159 Sparkes et al. (2013). We noted that the temperatures of some CM of ~350–370 °C could be  
160 underestimated to <330 °C in the automated peak fitting procedure using five Lorentz peaks,  
161 and therefore these spectra are manually selected and estimated using three Voigt peaks. This  
162 manual correction affects <5% measurement in our sediment samples, and ~1% in the  
163 bedrock dataset. Table DR3 provides RSCM T value for each single spectrum obtained per  
164 marine sediment and new bedrock sample.

165 **X-ray Diffraction mineralogy**

166 XRD analyses were conducted on bulk rock for all the samples at the Institute of Earth  
167 Sciences the University of Lausanne, Switzerland. The samples were prepared following the  
168 procedure of Adatte et al. (1996) and Kübler (1983). Random powder of the bulk sample is  
169 used for characterization of the whole rock mineralogy. About 20 g of material from each  
170 rock sample was ground with a "jaw" crusher to obtain small chips (1 to 5 mm).  
171 Approximately 5 g of material was dried at 60°C and then ground to a homogenous powder  
172 with particle sizes <40 µm. About 800 mg of this powder was pressed (20 bars) in a powder  
173 holder covered with a blotting paper and analyzed by XRD. Whole rock composition was  
174 determined by XRD (Thermo ARL X'TRA Diffractometer, Switzerland) based on methods  
175 previously described (Klug and Alexander, 1974; Kübler, 1983; Rolli, 1990). This method  
176 uses external standards for semi-quantitative analysis of the bulk rock mineralogy, which  
177 were obtained by XRD patterns of random powder samples.

178 Clay mineral analyses were based on methods described by (Kübler, 1983). Ground  
179 chips were mixed with de-ionized water (pH 7–8) and agitated. The carbonate fraction was  
180 removed with the addition of 10% HCl (1.25 N) at room temperature for 20 minutes, or until  
181 all the carbonate was dissolved. Ultrasonic disaggregation was accomplished during 3  
182 minutes intervals. The insoluble residue was washed and centrifuged (5–6 times) until a  
183 neutral (pH 7–8) suspension was obtained. Separation of different grain size fractions (< 2µm  
184 and 2–16 µm) was obtained by the timed settling method based on the Stokes law. The  
185 selected fraction was then pipetted onto a glass plate. XRD analyses of oriented clay samples  
186 were made after air-drying at room temperature and ethylene-glycol solvated conditions. The  
187 intensities of selected XRD peaks were measured to obtain a semi-quantitative estimate of  
188 their corresponding clay minerals (e.g., chlorite, mica, kaolinite, palygorskite, sepiolite,  
189 smectite and illite-smectite mixed-layers) in the size-fractions < 2µm and 2–16µm. Therefore,

190 clay minerals are given in relative percent abundance without correction factors. Content in  
191 swelling (% smectite) is estimated by using the method of Moore and Reynolds (1989).

192 **Detrital provenance model**

193 We assume that in the sediment sample, the fraction of CM from upper amphibolite facies  
194 schist is  $c_1$ , garnet amphibolite schist  $c_2$ , biotite schist  $c_3$ , chlorite schist  $c_4$  and sub-  
195 greenschist facies semischist  $c_5$ , where  $\sum_{i=1}^5 c_i = 1$ . Therefore, the cumulative distribution  
196 function (CDF) of RSCM temperature in a sediment sample is predicted as

$$CDF_p = \sum_{i=1}^5 (c_i \cdot CDF_i)$$

197 where  $CDF_i$  is the CDF of RSCM temperature in each provenance, which is estimated from  
198 the bedrock data (Fig. DR4). The cumulative distribution function of observed RSCM  
199 temperature is  $CDF_o$ . The goodness of fit between  $CDF_p$  and  $CDF_o$  is estimated using the  
200 Kolmogorov-Smirnov test, and is optimized by minimizing the K-S statistic using a Markov  
201 Chain Monte Carlo method. A total of 200,000, including 100,000 burn-in, iterations were  
202 run for each sample. Fig. DR5 shows the model results.

203 **Potential variation of the source area**

204 The core is from a submarine canyon levee and the dominant deposits are 1) overspilling of  
205 fine sediments from turbidity currents and 2) hemipelagic sedimentation. The bulk of  
206 sediment eroded locally from the Southern Alps is transported within the canyon to the deep  
207 ocean. In this setting, we do not think the longshore drift or other ocean surface currents have  
208 an effect on the sediment transport to the core. Near the core site, the surface water most  
209 likely flows predominantly towards the south or southwest (Fig. DR6). If the surface currents  
210 play a role in transporting sediments to the core, the Holocene sediments would have more  
211 CM of high temperature ( $>500^\circ\text{C}$  or even  $600^\circ\text{C}$ ) from the central Southern Alps than the  
212 LGM sediments, which contradicts our observations.

213 Alternatively, the effect of Coriolis force on the overspill sediments is more  
214 considerable, and therefore it may be possible for the core to also receive some overspill  
215 sediments from the Moeraki Canyon, which is connected to the Haast, Okuru, and Turnbull  
216 catchments as well as river systems further north (Fig. 1). However, as the distribution of  
217 biotite and chlorite schist rocks in these rivers follow a similar pattern to the Waiatoto and  
218 Arawhata rivers (i.e. increasing metamorphic grade from the mountain front to upper valleys),  
219 including them as source areas should not change our conclusion. To test this point of view,

we predict the potential erosion intensity of a source area including the Haast, Okuru, Turnbull, Waiatoto and Arawhata catchments, following the same procedure described in DISCUSSION in the main text. The predicted erosion patterns from these catchments due to fluvial incision, glacial abrasion and large landslides are shown in Fig. DR8, respectively. The calculated CS-sediment proportions differ by 1–8% from models using only Waiatoto and Arawhata catchments, due to the varying area proportions of the schist rocks outcropped in the Haast, Okuru, Turnbull catchments vs. Waiatoto and Arawhata catchments. However, the general trend does not change: the relative contribution from chlorite schist sediments is higher in materials eroded by landslides than that by glacial erosion and fluvial incision. Therefore, including a larger area in the Southern Alps as the provenance does not change our conclusions.

**Table DR1** Radiocarbon ages from core TAN0712-27.

**Table DR2** Age constraints for TAN0712-27.

**Table DR3** RSCM temperature data from the marine sediments in the Waiatoto Canyon and the bedrock samples from the Waiatoto and Arawhata catchments.

**Table DR4** New total carbon measurements using a CHN analyzer.

**Table DR5** Compiled total organic carbon measurements from the Southern Alps, including single rock data from biotite, chlorite and sub-greenschist facies schist/semischist rocks and river bedload data from catchments draining these bedrocks.

**Fig. DR1** (A) X-ray diffraction mineralogy of bulk sediments. Circles indicate depths for RSCM samples. (B) X-ray diffraction mineralogy of clay minerals. (C) Distribution of RSCM temperature data from selected sediment samples. (D) Magnetic susceptibility and anhysteretic susceptibility. (E) Magnetic grain size ( $\kappa_{ARM}/\kappa$ ). (F) Colour reflectance. (G) Photograph of the core.

**Fig. DR2** Age model of TAN0712-27, correlated to TAN0712-23 using anhysteretic and magnetic susceptibility ratio  $\kappa_{ARM}/\kappa$ .

**Fig. DR3** Quartz content and quartz/feldspar ratios measured in sand samples from rivers in western Southern Alps, based on X-ray diffraction bulk mineralogy. Grey shades depict results in the canyon sediments from core TAN0712-27.

**Fig. DR4** Distributions of bedrock RSCM temperature data from the Southern Alps, shown as probability (histogram) and cumulative density functions (curve). Data are from Beyssac et al. (2016) and from this study (see Table DR3).

252 **Fig. DR5** Mixture models of detrital RSCM temperature data from TAN0712-27 sediments.  
253 Observed probability (histogram) and cumulative density functions (curve) are shown in blue,  
254 and predicted cumulative density functions are shown as red curves.  $P$ -value and  $c_{pi}$  represent  
255 the mean post-burn-in models;  $c_{p1}-c_{p5}$  indicate proportion of materials from upper  
256 amphibolite schist, garnet amphibolite schist, biotite schist, chlorite schist and sub-  
257 greenschist facies semischist, respectively.

258 **Fig. DR6** Directions of dominant ocean currents off the west coast of South Island. Small  
259 arrows are mean surface currents from 1992 to 1996, which are calculated from a near real-  
260 time model (Ocean Surface Current Analysis Real-time) from NASA (1/3-degree and 5-day  
261 resolution). Large arrows are taken from Carter et al. (1998).

262 **Fig. DR7** Predicted erosion intensity distribution in the Waiatoto and Arawhata catchments  
263 by different processes. Erosion intensity is predicted for each 75-m cell, and normalized to  
264 the maximum value of each model. (upper) Fluvial erosion intensity predicted by a digital  
265 elevation model resampled from the SRTM data, using the unit stream power law,  $\varepsilon=A^{0.5}S$   
266 (Finlayson et al., 2002). Map is coloured by averaging the initial  $\varepsilon$  with a 525 m-wide square  
267 kernel. (middle) Glacial erosion intensity predicted by a LGM icefield model (Golledge et al.,  
268 2012) using a quadratic function,  $\varepsilon=\mu^2$  (Herman et al., 2015). (lower) Landslide erosion  
269 calculated from an inventory of landslides with large (affecting area  $A>0.2\text{ km}^2$ ) landslides  
270 (Heron, 2014), using a volume-area scaling factor of 1.5, i.e.  $V=A^{1.5}$  (Hovius et al., 1997;  
271 Larsen et al., 2010). TopoToolbox (Schwanghart and Scherler, 2014) was used for  
272 calculation and creating figures.

273 **Fig. DR8** Same as Fig. DR7, but for a larger source area including Waiatoto, Arawhata,  
274 Turnbull, Okuru and Haast-Landsborough catchments.

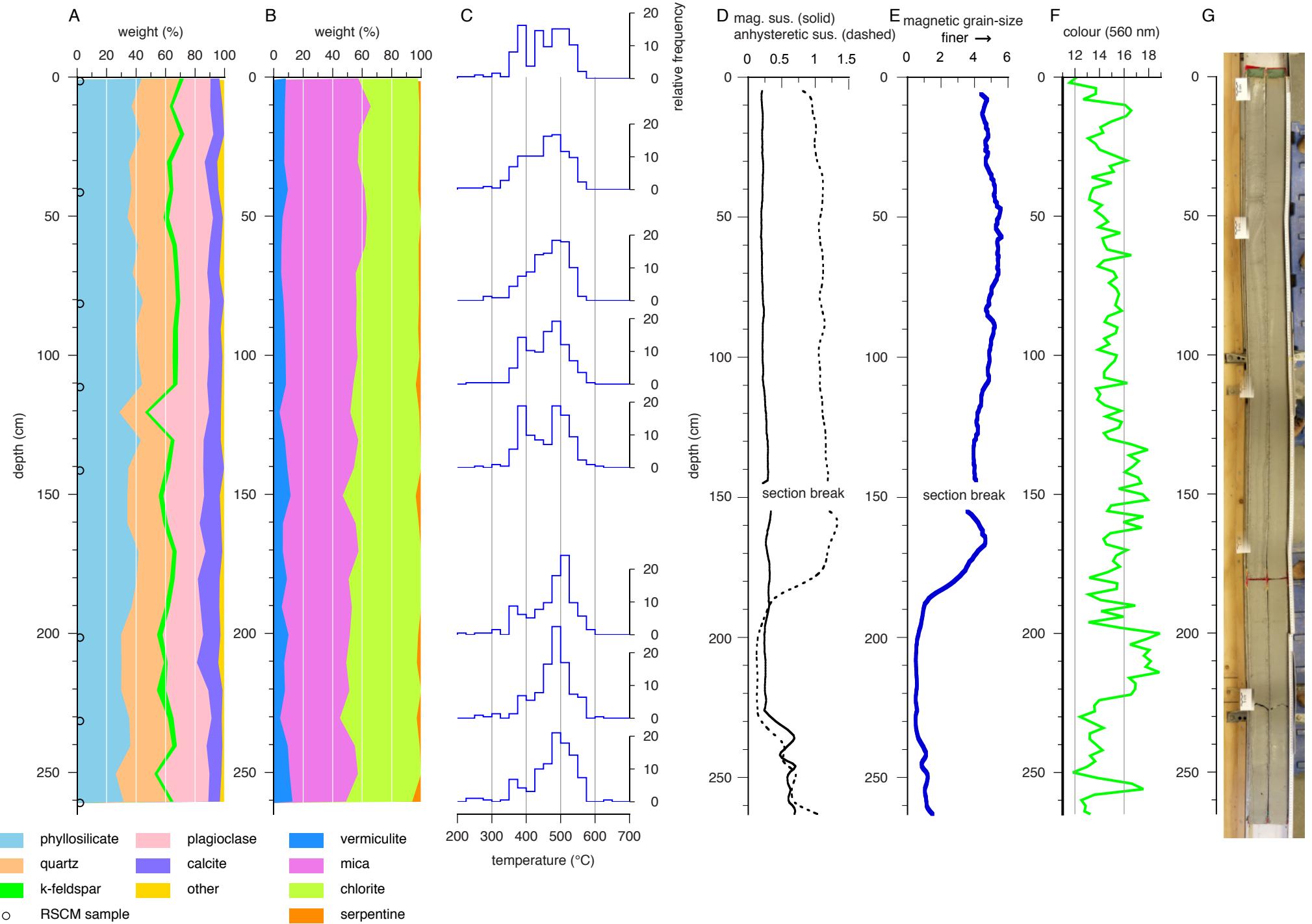
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Figure DR1



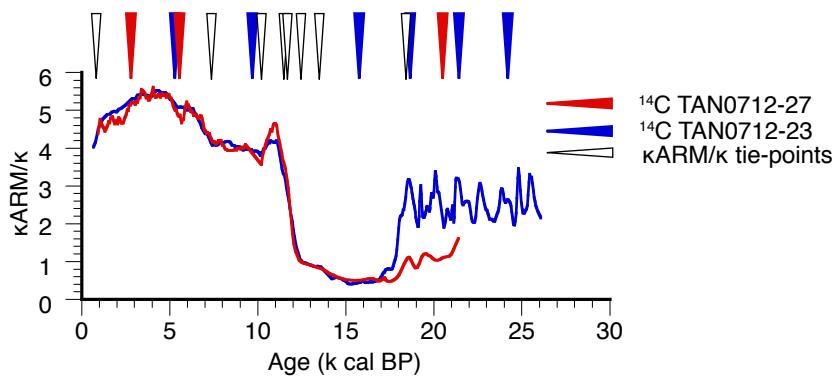


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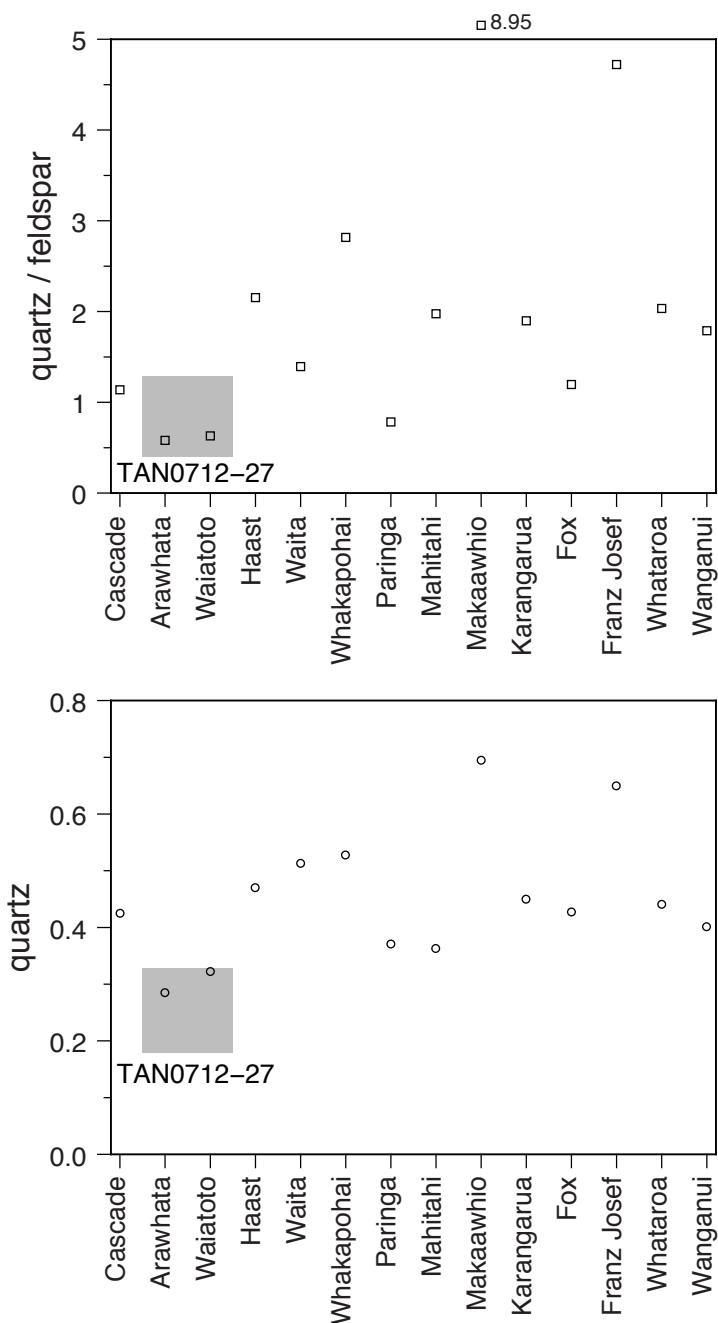


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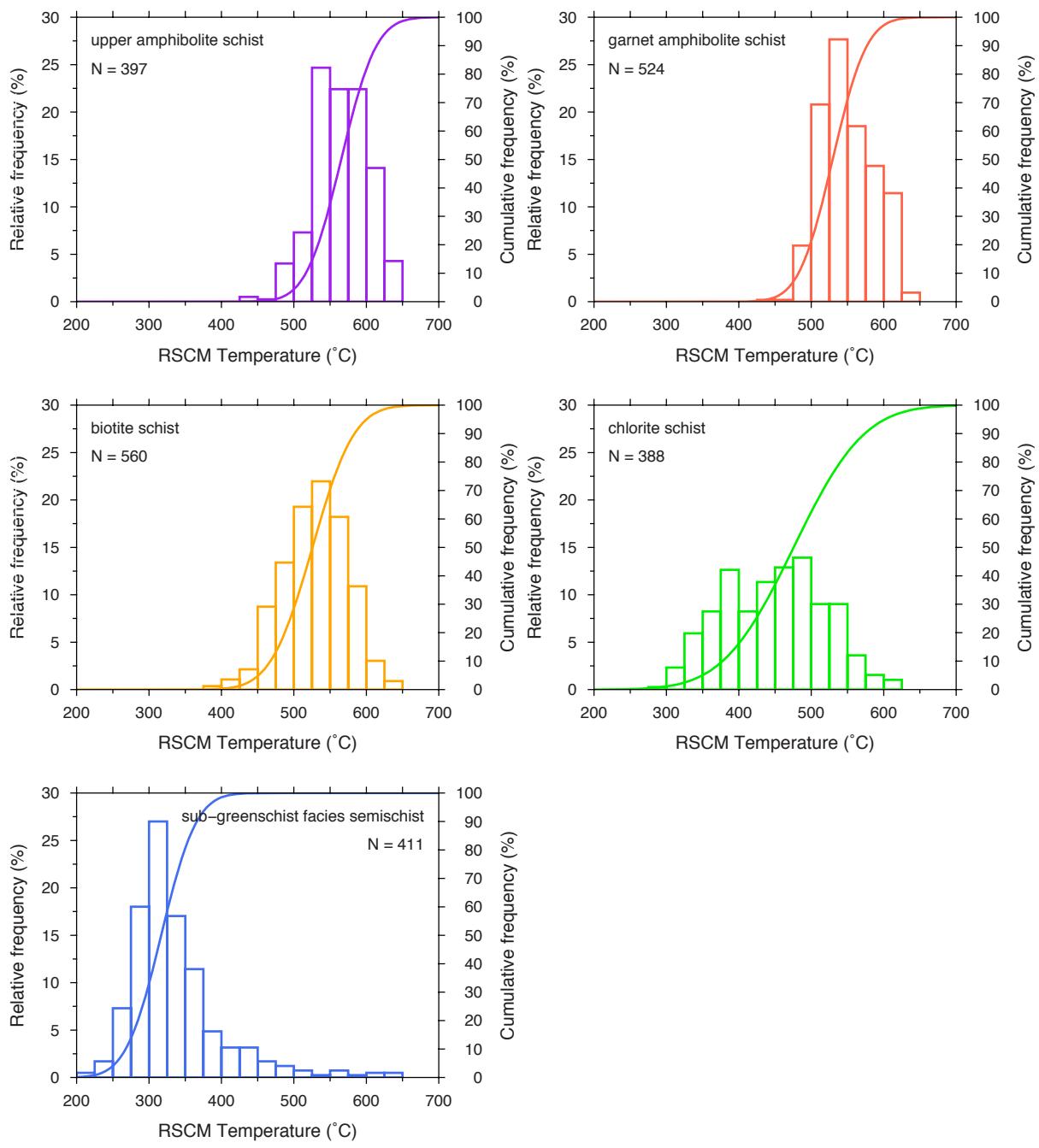


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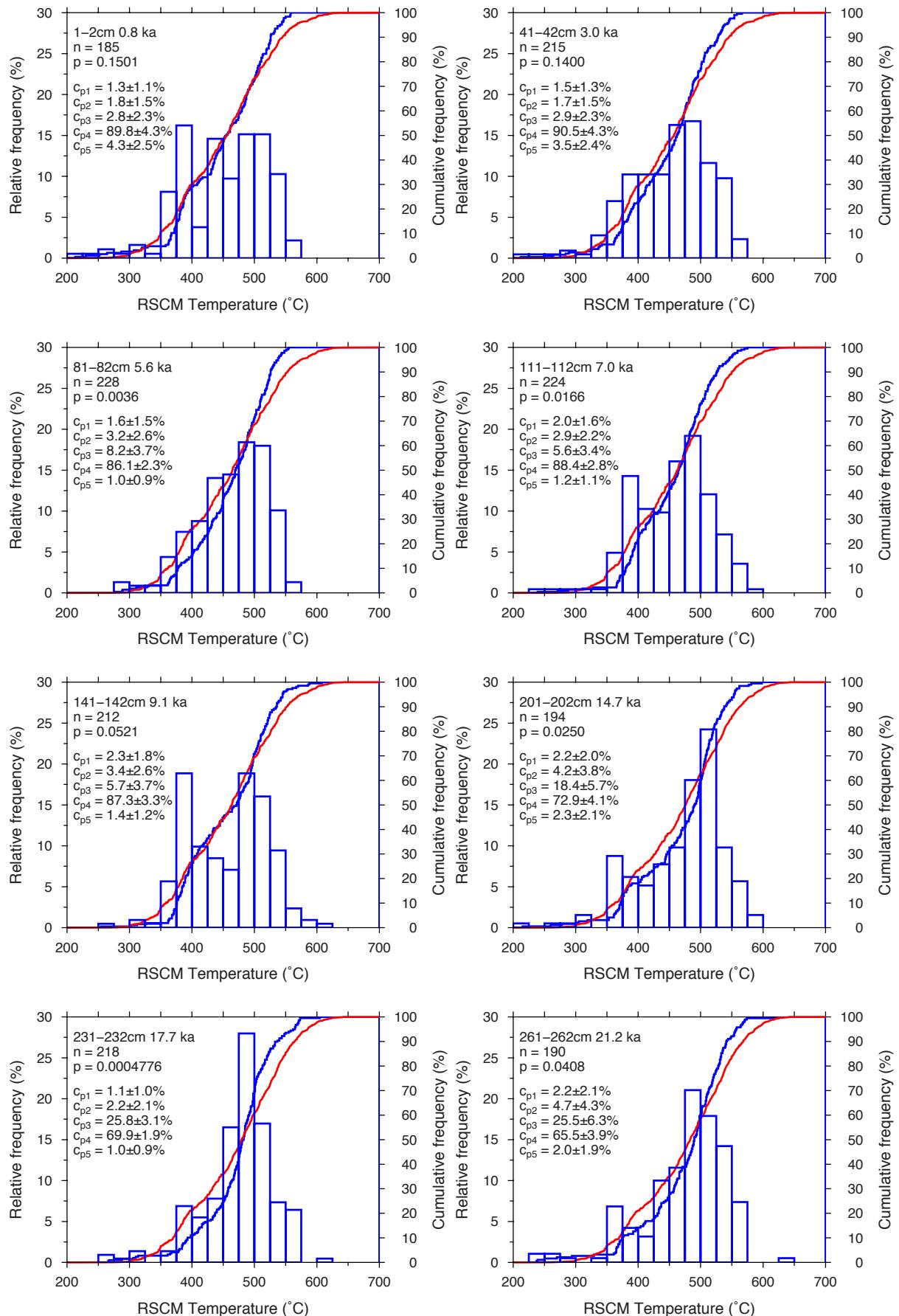


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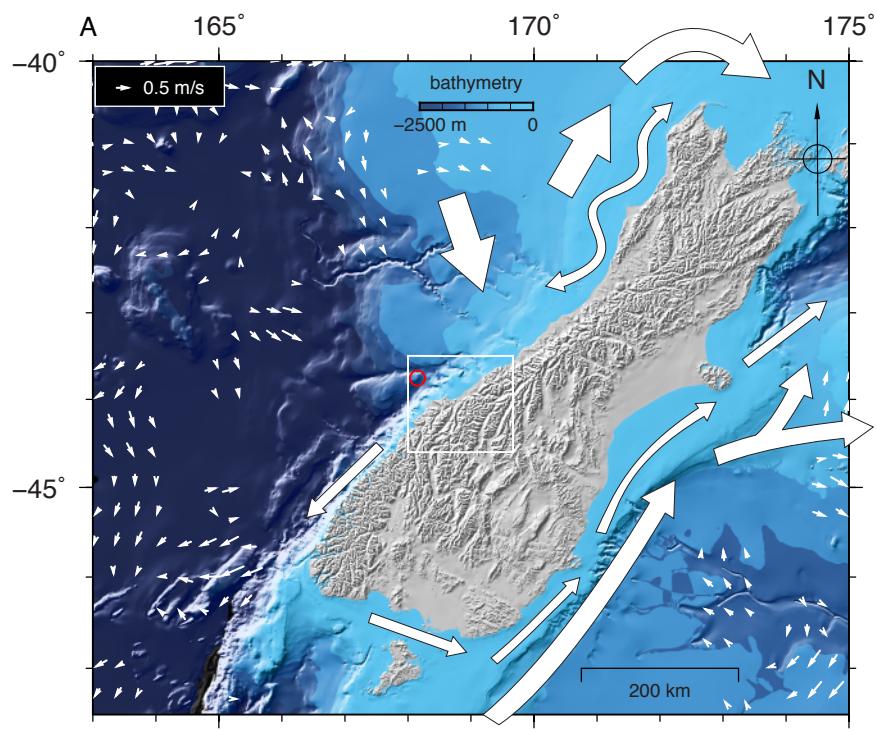
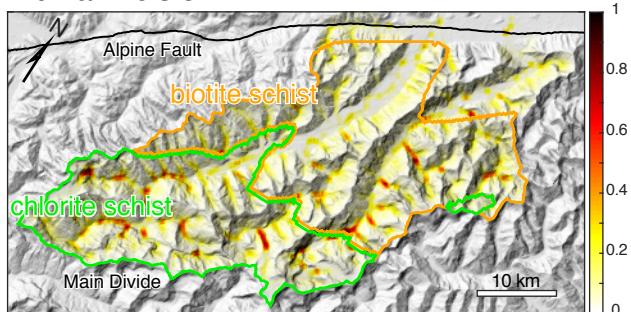
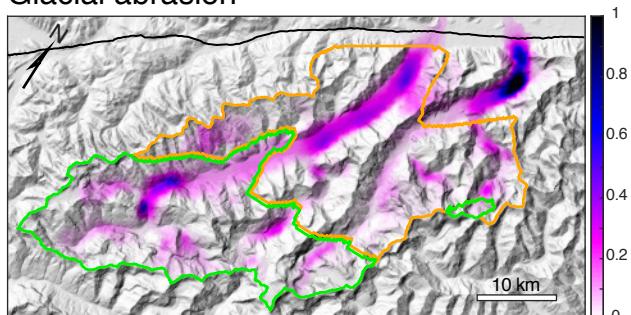


Figure DR6

### Fluvial incision



### Glacial abrasion



### Large landslides

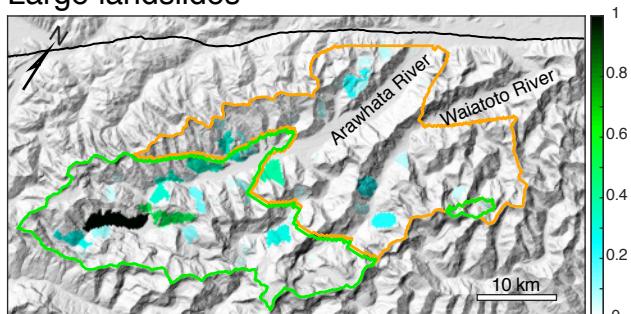
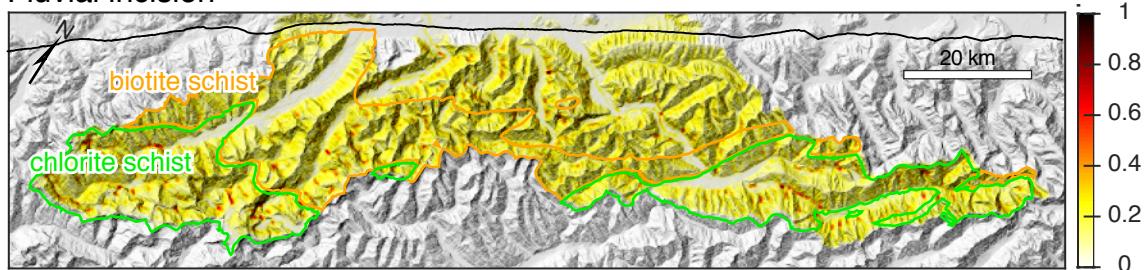
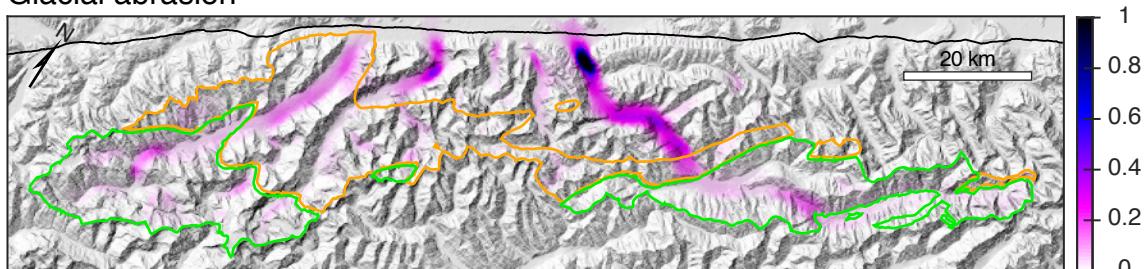


Figure DR7

Fluvial incision



Glacial abrasion



Large landslides

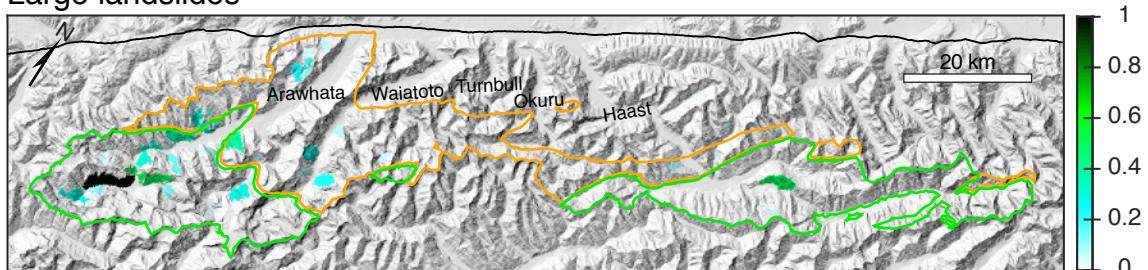


Figure DR8

**Table DR1** Radiocarbon ages from core TAN0712-27

| Depth (cm) | Lab number | Age (year BP) | Calibrated age (cal BP)* |
|------------|------------|---------------|--------------------------|
| 40-41      | NZA33190   | 3114±58       | 2940 (2780:3110)         |
| 80-80.5    | NZA33191   | 5164±58       | 5560 (5440:5680)         |
| 259-259.5  | NZA33679   | 17804±75      | 20770 (20380:21210)      |

\*Median probability. Ages in parentheses are the  $2\sigma$  age range.

**Table DR2** Age model for TAN0712-27

| Depth (cm) | Age (k cal BP) | Tie-point                         |
|------------|----------------|-----------------------------------|
| 6.23       | 0.946          | Tuning ( $\kappa$ ARM/ $\kappa$ ) |
| 40.5       | 2.938          | AMS                               |
| 80.5       | 5.56           | AMS                               |
| 120        | 7.441          | Tuning ( $\kappa$ ARM/ $\kappa$ ) |
| 154.67     | 10.173         | Tuning ( $\kappa$ ARM/ $\kappa$ ) |
| 173.17     | 11.441         | Tuning ( $\kappa$ ARM/ $\kappa$ ) |
| 180.5      | 11.793         | Tuning ( $\kappa$ ARM/ $\kappa$ ) |
| 188.47     | 12.402         | Tuning ( $\kappa$ ARM/ $\kappa$ ) |
| 194.7      | 13.541         | Tuning ( $\kappa$ ARM/ $\kappa$ ) |
| 241.7      | 18.541         | Tuning ( $\kappa$ ARM/ $\kappa$ ) |
| 259.25     | 20.767         | AMS                               |

**Table DR3**

RSCM temperature (°C) of the core sediments

TAN0712-27-1-2 cm

|     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 445 | 373 | 534 | 449 | 505 | 489 | 364 | 320 | 487 | 557 | 367 | 231 | 455 | 538 | 414 | 494 | 438 | 523 | 489 | 253 | 506 | 493 | 479 | 307 | 393 |
| 388 | 451 | 462 | 373 | 397 | 435 | 412 | 388 | 527 | 376 | 411 | 425 | 545 | 450 | 509 | 425 | 462 | 471 | 373 | 386 | 503 | 547 | 481 | 474 | 409 |
| 382 | 525 | 368 | 525 | 472 | 437 | 443 | 497 | 485 | 478 | 453 | 475 | 435 | 388 | 514 | 430 | 436 | 363 | 366 | 498 | 496 | 364 | 382 | 265 | 492 |
| 504 | 511 | 499 | 319 | 358 | 548 | 213 | 476 | 440 | 432 | 528 | 449 | 466 | 451 | 330 | 381 | 375 | 381 | 500 | 382 | 441 | 481 | 458 | 526 | 514 |
| 399 | 432 | 366 | 488 | 520 | 512 | 527 | 507 | 438 | 545 | 488 | 532 | 541 | 486 | 523 | 373 | 501 | 362 | 525 | 559 | 389 | 402 | 391 | 461 | 465 |
| 559 | 547 | 380 | 408 | 434 | 390 | 376 | 504 | 434 | 441 | 375 | 453 | 462 | 519 | 524 | 432 | 388 | 381 | 387 | 475 | 504 | 527 | 481 | 534 | 520 |
| 376 | 391 | 462 | 520 | 448 | 437 | 418 | 510 | 511 | 488 | 502 | 537 | 490 | 487 | 485 | 446 | 383 | 378 | 380 | 550 | 532 | 490 | 450 | 457 | 399 |
| 509 | 385 | 483 | 366 | 475 | 393 | 288 | 514 | 434 | 506 |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |

TAN0712-27-41-42 cm

|     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |  |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|--|
| 471 | 387 | 535 | 464 | 435 | 362 | 492 | 413 | 506 | 392 | 506 | 506 | 496 | 423 | 476 | 497 | 284 | 367 | 377 | 533 | 440 | 433 | 459 | 412 | 476 |  |
| 473 | 477 | 415 | 385 | 501 | 364 | 481 | 473 | 326 | 482 | 522 | 537 | 343 | 438 | 425 | 442 | 374 | 418 | 444 | 468 | 448 | 408 | 456 | 540 | 424 |  |
| 449 | 528 | 485 | 490 | 427 | 528 | 467 | 404 | 389 | 474 | 250 | 485 | 508 | 547 | 488 | 451 | 462 | 377 | 474 | 497 | 361 | 471 | 405 | 389 | 498 |  |
| 503 | 531 | 461 | 468 | 527 | 559 | 500 | 411 | 497 | 489 | 413 | 505 | 458 | 493 | 448 | 487 | 370 | 370 | 485 | 503 | 377 | 436 | 528 | 482 | 433 |  |
| 555 | 401 | 536 | 364 | 337 | 445 | 386 | 491 | 476 | 399 | 412 | 389 | 475 | 290 | 453 | 427 | 469 | 409 | 413 | 466 | 367 | 536 | 459 | 529 | 524 |  |
| 478 | 523 | 501 | 441 | 462 | 471 | 327 | 507 | 464 | 374 | 362 | 461 | 457 | 538 | 473 | 374 | 472 | 478 | 534 | 382 | 431 | 374 | 435 | 318 | 482 |  |
| 264 | 376 | 501 | 450 | 384 | 513 | 339 | 393 | 546 | 488 | 511 | 439 | 547 | 454 | 515 | 508 | 465 | 502 | 501 | 487 | 487 | 486 | 424 | 512 | 455 |  |
| 482 | 445 | 336 | 213 | 484 | 467 | 454 | 363 | 371 | 440 | 486 | 543 | 419 | 473 | 546 | 478 | 388 | 461 | 393 | 402 | 395 | 511 | 378 | 488 | 391 |  |
| 495 | 411 | 527 | 422 | 566 | 555 | 418 | 384 | 517 | 404 | 474 | 506 | 554 | 525 | 384 |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |  |

TAN0712-27-81-82 cm

|     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |  |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|--|
| 415 | 462 | 411 | 525 | 496 | 379 | 448 | 375 | 288 | 329 | 404 | 518 | 494 | 543 | 541 | 303 | 538 | 425 | 421 | 507 | 521 | 401 | 383 | 488 | 525 |  |
| 500 | 524 | 451 | 490 | 441 | 474 | 530 | 504 | 470 | 452 | 440 | 466 | 373 | 492 | 432 | 490 | 531 | 411 | 503 | 432 | 520 | 525 | 312 | 542 | 551 |  |
| 449 | 517 | 379 | 417 | 464 | 471 | 486 | 461 | 464 | 532 | 365 | 417 | 526 | 488 | 362 | 518 | 428 | 510 | 424 | 446 | 524 | 450 | 364 | 549 | 367 |  |
| 433 | 449 | 495 | 436 | 511 | 458 | 411 | 521 | 528 | 480 | 545 | 470 | 522 | 363 | 276 | 510 | 440 | 527 | 371 | 470 | 510 | 504 | 451 | 402 | 376 |  |
| 364 | 549 | 384 | 512 | 389 | 364 | 381 | 421 | 521 | 513 | 522 | 428 | 290 | 502 | 483 | 489 | 556 | 492 | 331 | 483 | 509 | 400 | 491 | 500 | 433 |  |
| 539 | 540 | 489 | 367 | 500 | 509 | 510 | 489 | 469 | 426 | 503 | 421 | 554 | 405 | 507 | 450 | 459 | 455 | 402 | 430 | 482 | 490 | 475 | 482 | 457 |  |
| 469 | 510 | 464 | 486 | 447 | 444 | 448 | 376 | 395 | 477 | 451 | 469 | 454 | 431 | 499 | 414 | 391 | 495 | 433 | 486 | 412 | 402 | 527 | 466 | 511 |  |
| 376 | 478 | 465 | 525 | 427 | 478 | 480 | 491 | 462 | 504 | 496 | 496 | 489 | 473 | 502 | 428 | 526 | 435 | 392 | 378 | 446 | 484 | 527 | 487 | 522 |  |
| 513 | 517 | 470 | 459 | 439 | 439 | 451 | 473 | 520 | 489 | 533 | 449 | 470 | 396 | 419 | 482 | 535 | 518 | 409 | 500 | 535 | 450 | 530 | 378 | 476 |  |
| 461 | 496 | 484 |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |  |

TAN0712-27-111-112 cm

|     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 413 | 456 | 482 | 504 | 387 | 444 | 439 | 454 | 367 | 542 | 481 | 453 | 507 | 420 | 329 | 547 | 400 | 490 | 391 | 482 | 576 | 499 | 513 | 509 | 528 |
| 490 | 541 | 473 | 471 | 491 | 391 | 517 | 485 | 529 | 513 | 413 | 472 | 478 | 488 | 393 | 418 | 476 | 394 | 498 | 398 | 418 | 433 | 402 | 392 | 475 |
| 472 | 371 | 419 | 465 | 380 | 559 | 495 | 473 | 531 | 437 | 416 | 492 | 371 | 367 | 547 | 476 | 483 | 525 | 488 | 485 | 551 | 450 | 438 | 470 | 464 |
| 401 | 446 | 442 | 468 | 413 | 494 | 504 | 392 | 378 | 371 | 447 | 566 | 483 | 371 | 365 | 571 | 423 | 402 | 515 | 413 | 536 | 509 | 492 | 543 | 460 |
| 436 | 483 | 511 | 457 | 508 | 480 | 555 | 460 | 482 | 546 | 433 | 400 | 387 | 552 | 499 | 380 | 473 | 447 | 395 | 471 | 391 | 454 | 439 | 395 | 491 |
| 380 | 239 | 515 | 436 | 379 | 382 | 393 | 466 | 512 | 441 | 478 | 508 | 502 | 498 | 535 | 465 | 508 | 272 | 394 | 386 | 473 | 462 | 432 | 446 | 366 |
| 289 | 414 | 497 | 399 | 406 | 454 | 441 | 521 | 450 | 522 | 403 | 378 | 531 | 486 | 526 | 529 | 422 | 499 | 395 | 388 | 465 | 497 | 514 | 475 | 450 |
| 473 | 465 | 527 | 513 | 491 | 312 | 445 | 369 | 370 | 459 | 406 | 384 | 497 | 467 | 476 | 551 | 388 | 521 | 408 | 487 | 519 | 367 | 491 | 480 | 468 |
| 526 | 460 | 501 | 448 | 376 | 559 | 420 | 382 | 388 | 476 | 507 | 389 | 517 | 464 | 483 | 437 | 426 | 478 | 461 | 481 | 503 | 497 | 401 | 401 |     |

TAN0712-27-141-142 cm

|     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 375 | 412 | 508 | 467 | 522 | 561 | 489 | 519 | 434 | 370 | 414 | 364 | 434 | 464 | 464 | 547 | 536 | 383 | 391 | 452 | 518 | 478 | 406 | 396 | 513 |
| 511 | 403 | 384 | 571 | 542 | 446 | 506 | 450 | 500 | 495 | 524 | 445 | 484 | 385 | 373 | 496 | 493 | 363 | 375 | 510 | 446 | 376 | 391 | 522 | 384 |
| 362 | 538 | 496 | 423 | 501 | 502 | 458 | 413 | 535 | 395 | 494 | 483 | 371 | 436 | 380 | 398 | 494 | 498 | 588 | 528 | 395 | 440 | 396 | 254 | 487 |
| 474 | 491 | 482 | 522 | 494 | 504 | 496 | 519 | 477 | 420 | 427 | 494 | 551 | 504 | 434 | 545 | 514 | 368 | 491 | 521 | 457 | 418 | 483 | 516 | 474 |
| 312 | 498 | 539 | 497 | 416 | 499 | 506 | 568 | 402 | 478 | 473 | 368 | 385 | 537 | 478 | 303 | 497 | 496 | 535 | 376 | 503 | 471 | 399 | 512 | 377 |
| 505 | 442 | 445 | 525 | 388 | 376 | 508 | 465 | 498 | 525 | 553 | 479 | 483 | 499 | 449 | 537 | 411 | 394 | 494 | 371 | 543 | 476 | 516 | 433 | 451 |
| 434 | 410 | 372 | 455 | 387 | 532 | 517 | 449 | 507 | 491 | 587 | 545 | 525 | 384 | 487 | 464 | 381 | 403 | 383 | 500 | 509 | 546 | 399 | 546 | 499 |
| 379 | 510 | 517 | 387 | 389 | 478 | 542 | 511 | 395 | 422 | 608 | 390 |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |

**TAN0712-27-201-202 cm**

557 524 368 508 543 464 555 452 545 215 463 370 484 500 514 369 531 378 365 513 519 518 504 502 494  
535 479 374 510 513 542 531 425 498 504 354 489 498 482 534 301 468 406 499 559 438 445 563 520 371  
519 488 495 497 582 506 454 521 510 496 471 551 459 517 445 562 353 577 418 504 382 522 502 551 471  
384 522 384 505 508 467 519 500 527 463 445 506 554 444 526 376 363 554 514 448 534 384 365 494 509  
470 469 488 488 422 373 482 444 455 533 495 485 509 504 503 528 539 477 556 462 505 450 431 405 361  
401 543 498 500 496 389 512 306 498 599 486 497 468 459 488 497 374 547 509 514 538 469 278 520 409  
490 511 492 377 376 378 526 448 520 483 493 506 532 478 443 374 505 361 515 507 432 407 513 481 444  
370 425 509 319 381 261 390 405 418 372 451 475 426 476 538 497 556 416 523

**TAN0712-27-231-232 cm**

389 387 461 311 419 501 481 470 486 446 498 411 314 497 441 433 498 526 498 574 566 482 306 498 479  
366 484 473 485 362 503 551 457 510 480 440 489 514 485 490 544 504 431 505 493 517 443 485 472 462  
493 454 540 398 473 544 454 492 491 447 571 459 504 569 500 496 472 509 494 516 409 534 477 510 498  
498 530 469 426 378 559 486 572 435 549 477 502 469 498 379 394 440 501 410 501 451 476 477 489 266  
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416 464 456 422 518 479 380 449 384 470 476 475 495 480 533 438 520 515 521 484 405 436 492 410 417  
457 567 566 497 494 513 485 497 527 540 458 461 487 526 506 477 458 488 524 571 468 462 416 468 384  
368 501 481 459 605 478 502 464 452 517 523 403 533 481 468 512 478 467 537 477 533 520 483 473 469  
502 459 487 486 508 475 398 433 502 268 288 394 556 390 384 473 494 507

**TAN0712-27-261-262 cm**

469 496 396 364 457 460 488 371 502 509 490 518 432 437 508 510 502 503 498 449 472 453 434 554 448  
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463 365 526 485 510 448 392 295 520 498 494 463 239 541 237 435 432 525 470 467 532 512 543 533 461  
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**RSCM temperature (°C) of bedrock samples**

Amphibolite schist

**P75155 (44.03164°S 168.89564°E)**

568 596 498 487 601 538 510 603 616 537 634 564 559 569 590 606 478 525 586 536

**P76018 (44.09621°S 168.79659°E)**

587 609 573 610 607 603 542 607 579 533 533 612 530 596 527 641 612 561 544 535

**P76021 (44.08364°S 168.78685°E)**

556 606 523 582 540 544 558 586 515 526 617 513 525 518 511 537 501 509 508 489 504

**P77769 (44.08872°S 168.91525°E)**

601 599 559 527 577 559 591 573 583 511 579 536 552 553 581 544 530 557 560 542

Biotite schist

**P27180 (44.26104°S 168.67378°E)**

469 535 529 524 563 510 498 487 505 496 482 479 512 493 493 494 479 497 497 534 535

**P52513 (44.2768°S 168.47067°E)**

541 524 508 598 561 499 583 587 595 571 532 600 540 600 520 574 505 540 572 503

**P52526 (44.36843°S 168.42218°E)**

562 462 593 550 563 547 590 527 529 539 556 519 575 515 530 545 460 555 569 492 570 568

P52829 (44.33024°S 168.43644°E)

549 535 610 613 560 539 613 545 575 575 547 561 509 534 525 561 554 606 554 535

P73977 (44.12632°S 168.69438°E)

574 499 492 558 596 573 497 534 544 565 552 588 542 593 565 504 511 582 533

P75097 (44.20826°S 168.56231°E)

513 587 562 569 586 521 510 595 572 545 585 573 577 571 569 592 572 509 426 575

P75118 (44.21634°S 168.77971°E)

494 542 511 498 554 550 500 505 543 485 495 534 485 551 484 513 557 496 492 510

P77710 (44.17081°S 168.87013°E)

528 556 575 541 495 549 528 539 525 552 546 576 552 542 589 516 501 533 476 559

Chlorite schist

P27701 (44.38362°S 168.7226°E)

535 550 494 480 509 477 489 519 466 539 509 538 542 520 498 508 513 482 586 491

P52528 (44.38265°S 168.35899°E)

459 474 537 516 559 484 478 452 487 495 466 490 457 497 485 477 477 484 490 463

P71679 (44.49452°S 168.35256°E)

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P71725 (44.40705°S 168.41887°E)

435 449 478 443 412 466 464 453 433 461 464 453 447 444 446 434 438 475 424 466

**Table DR4** New total carbon (C), nitrogen (N), and hydrogen (H) measurements

| Sample   | Catchment  | Latitude (°) | Longitude (°) | Main metamorphic grades                | Weight (mg) | N (%)  | C (%)  | H (%) |
|----------|------------|--------------|---------------|--|-------------|--------|--------|-------|
| STD CYS1 |            |              |               |  | 5.093       | 11.640 | 30.000 | 5.050 |
| WAT2*    | Whataroa   | -43.37707    | 170.42199     | chlorite, low**                        | 22.184      | 0.006  | 0.108  | 0.307 |
| WAT3*    | Whataroa   | -43.40932    | 170.41643     | chlorite, low                          | 34.246      | 0.000  | 0.101  | 0.324 |
| WAT7*    | Whataroa   | -43.40861    | 170.41249     | chlorite, low                          | 25.755      | 0      | 0.199  | 0.292 |
| WAT8*    | Whataroa   | -43.44470    | 170.37691     | chlorite, low                          | 24.309      | 0      | 0.096  | 0.305 |
| WAT9*    | Whataroa   | -43.31520    | 170.41983     | garnet                                 | 23.954      | 0      | 0.248  | 0.243 |
| WAT10*   | Whataroa   | -43.29308    | 170.41361     | higher, garnet, biotite, chlorite, low | 21.195      | 0      | 0.135  | 0.249 |
| WAT11*   | Whataroa   | -43.18746    | 170.44983     | higher, garnet                         | 23.500      | 0      | 0.156  | 0.255 |
| WAT14*   | Whataroa   | -43.34733    | 170.49040     | biotite, chlorite, low                 | 18.086      | 0      | 0.151  | 0.277 |
| WAT15*   | Whataroa   | -43.34240    | 170.52947     | biotite, chlorite                      | 22.634      | 0      | 0.210  | 0.305 |
| WAT16*   | Whataroa   | -43.37560    | 170.57091     | low                                    | 22.525      | 0      | 0.062  | 0.256 |
| STD CYS2 |            |              |               |  | 3.565       | 10.881 | 30.053 | 5.498 |
| WAT17*   | Whataroa   | -43.37668    | 170.57071     | low                                    | 23.368      | 0      | 0.068  | 0.292 |
| WAT19*   | Whataroa   | -43.31045    | 170.31362     | higher, garnet                         | 20.827      | 0      | 0.220  | 0.222 |
| P85585   | Cascade    | -44.10571    | 168.51996     | chlorite, low                          | 23.444      | 0      | 0.076  | 0.253 |
| P85587   | Arawhata   | -44.04614    | 168.72346     | biotite, chlorite                      | 21.803      | 0      | 0.090  | 0.209 |
| P85588   | Waitoto    | -43.98954    | 168.79799     | biotite                                | 24.925      | 0      | 0.115  | 0.204 |
| P85589   | Haast      | -43.85488    | 169.04595     | higher, garnet, biotite, chlorite, low | 22.994      | 0      | 0.099  | 0.184 |
| P85590   | Waita      | -43.78998    | 169.12229     | higher                                 | 22.453      | 0      | 0.137  | 0.177 |
| P85591   | Whakapohai | -43.72940    | 169.24537     | higher                                 | 22.128      | 0      | 0.132  | 0.303 |
| P85592   | Paringa    | -43.70589    | 169.48746     | higher, garnet, biotite, chlorite      | 22.378      | 0      | 0.126  | 0.190 |
| STD CYS3 |            |              |               |  | 4.509       | 11.147 | 30.172 | 4.684 |
| P85593   | Mahitahi   | -43.63468    | 169.58406     | higher, garnet, biotite, chlorite      | 23.491      | 0      | 0.116  | 0.175 |
| P85594   | Makaawhio  | -43.57638    | 169.68512     | higher, garnet, biotite                | 22.680      | 0      | 0.154  | 0.151 |
| P85595   | Karangarua | -43.57419    | 169.80583     | higher, garnet, biotite, chlorite      | 24.292      | 0      | 0.174  | 0.193 |
| STD CYS4 |            |              |               |  | 5.268       | 11.277 | 30.352 | 5.842 |

\*Samples from Nibourel et al. (2015) are reanalysed.

\*\*Sub-greenschist facies.