



Relazioni tra caratteristiche tessiturali e misure geofisiche

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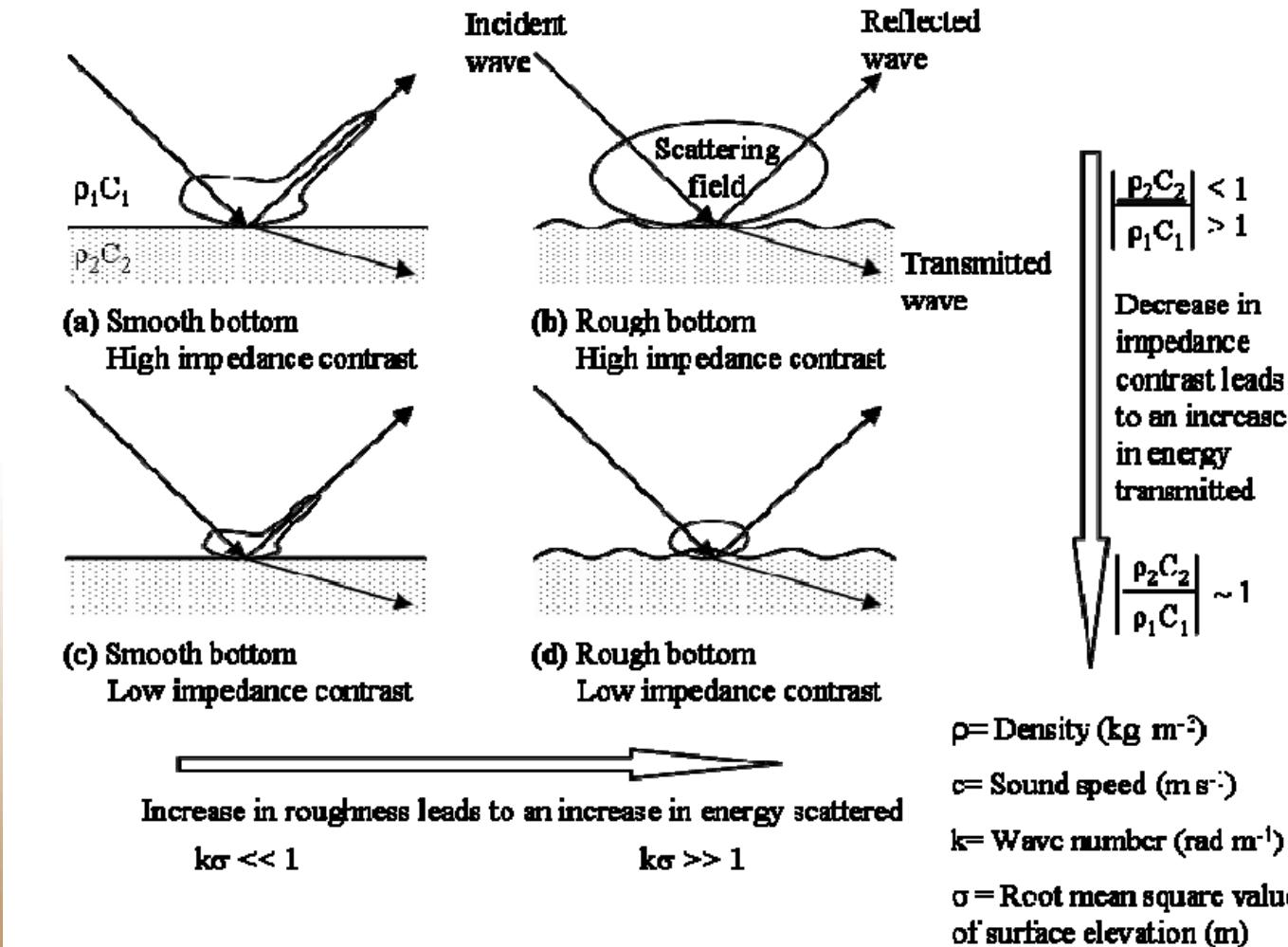


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Backscatter intensity is a measure of sound that is scattered back toward the transmitter by acoustic reflection and scattering, both at the sediment–water interface and from within the sediment (*Jackson et al., 1986; Jackson and Briggs, 1992; Nishimura, 1997; Urick, 1983*).





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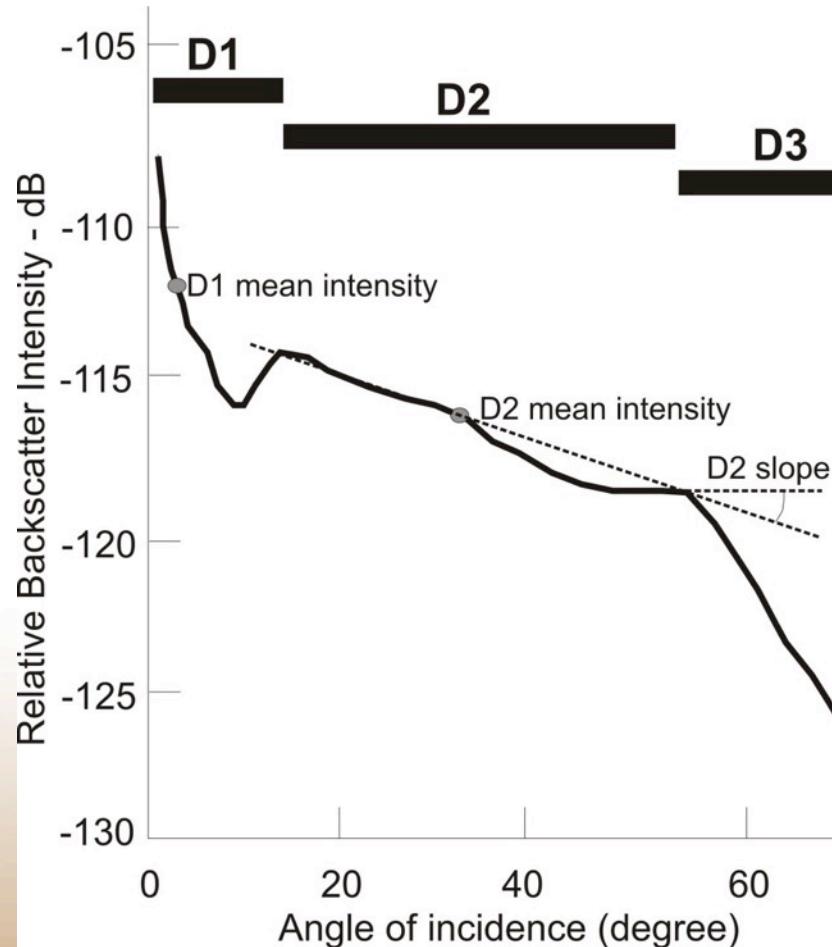
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The angular response is a measure of the variation of backscatter strength along the across-track direction.

Backscatter strength near nadir > Backscatter strength in the outer swath (differences between acoustic reflection - nadir - and scattering -outer swath)

(Hughes-Clarke et al., 1997; Parnum et al., 2004, Ferrini and Flood, 2006).





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SEDIMENT
MAPPING

- **Backscatter strength vs. sediment grain size and seabed roughness:**
 - (i) *Correlation Backscatter strength/Coarse Grains (>4 mm);*
 - (ii) *Modeling seabed roughness based on Backscatter strength*
 - (iii) *Correlation Backscatter/grain size, porosity, sulphur content in silt-clay sediments.*
- **Backscatter Angular Response vs. sediment type (grain size and bedforms)**

Goff et al. 2004

Ferrini and Flood,
Mar. Geol., 2006

Sutherland et al.,
2007, ECSS

Hughes-Clarke,
1997

HABITAT
MAPPING

- **Backscatter strength vs. benthic habitat:**
 - (i) *Benthic fauna associated to different sediment types*
 - (ii) *Mapping of Seagrass and Rhodolit*
- **Terrain analysis vs. macroalgae and sessile invertebrates distribution**
- **Backscatter Angular Response vs. habitat type (seagrass, Rhodolit)**

Kostylev et al.,
2001, MEPS
Siwabessy et al.,
2006,
Parnum, 2008

Holmes et al.,
2008, CSR

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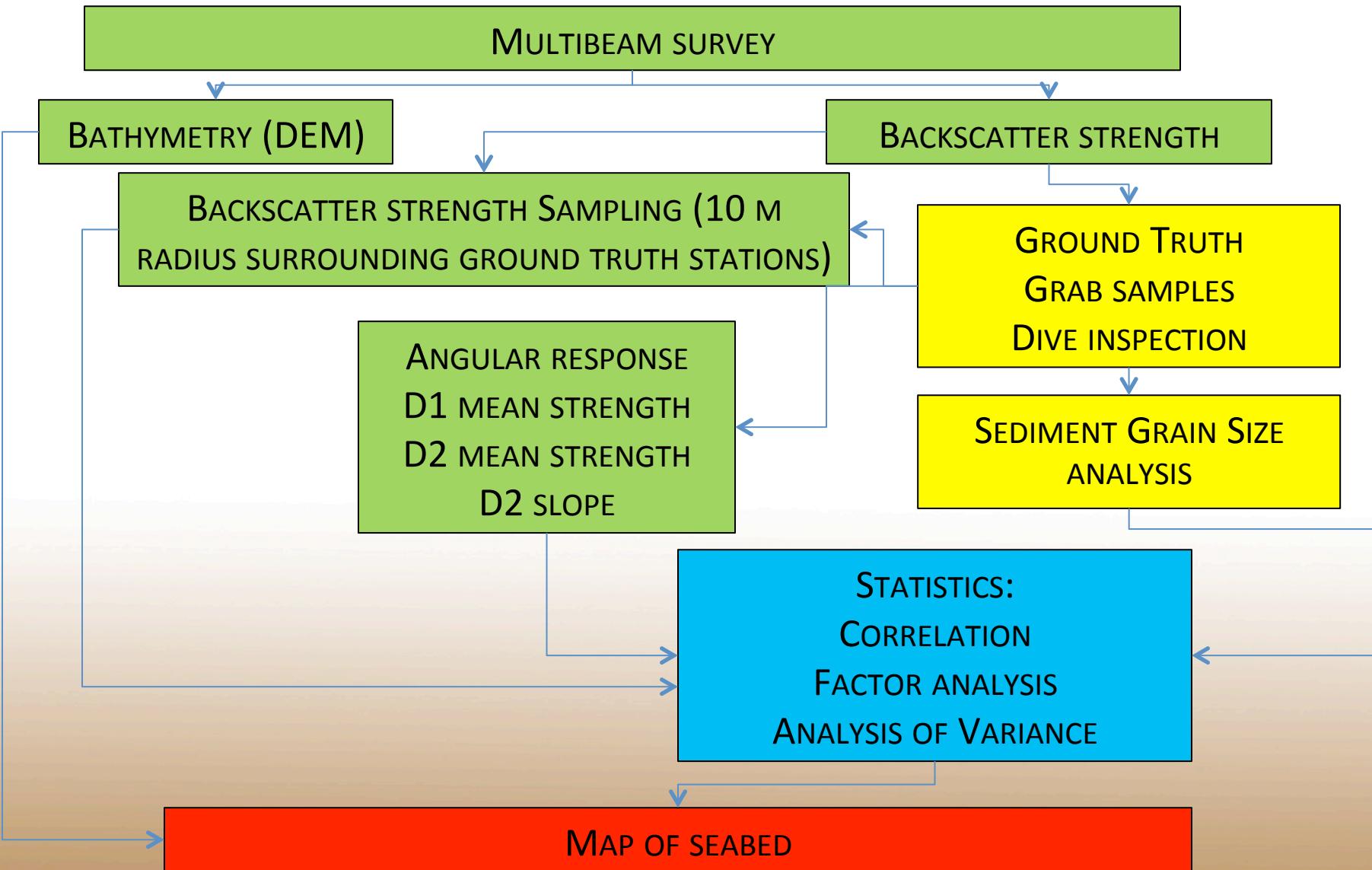


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Relationships between multibeam backscatter, sediment grain size and *Posidonia oceanica* seagrass distribution

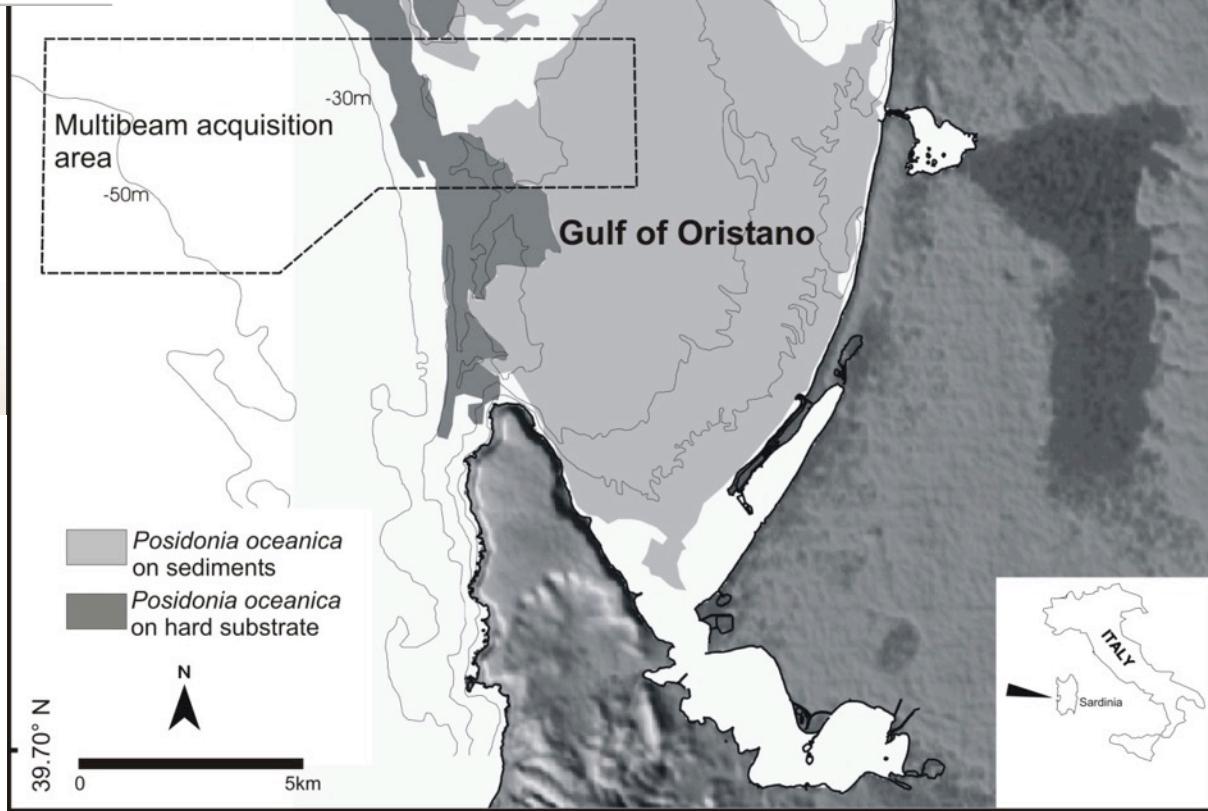
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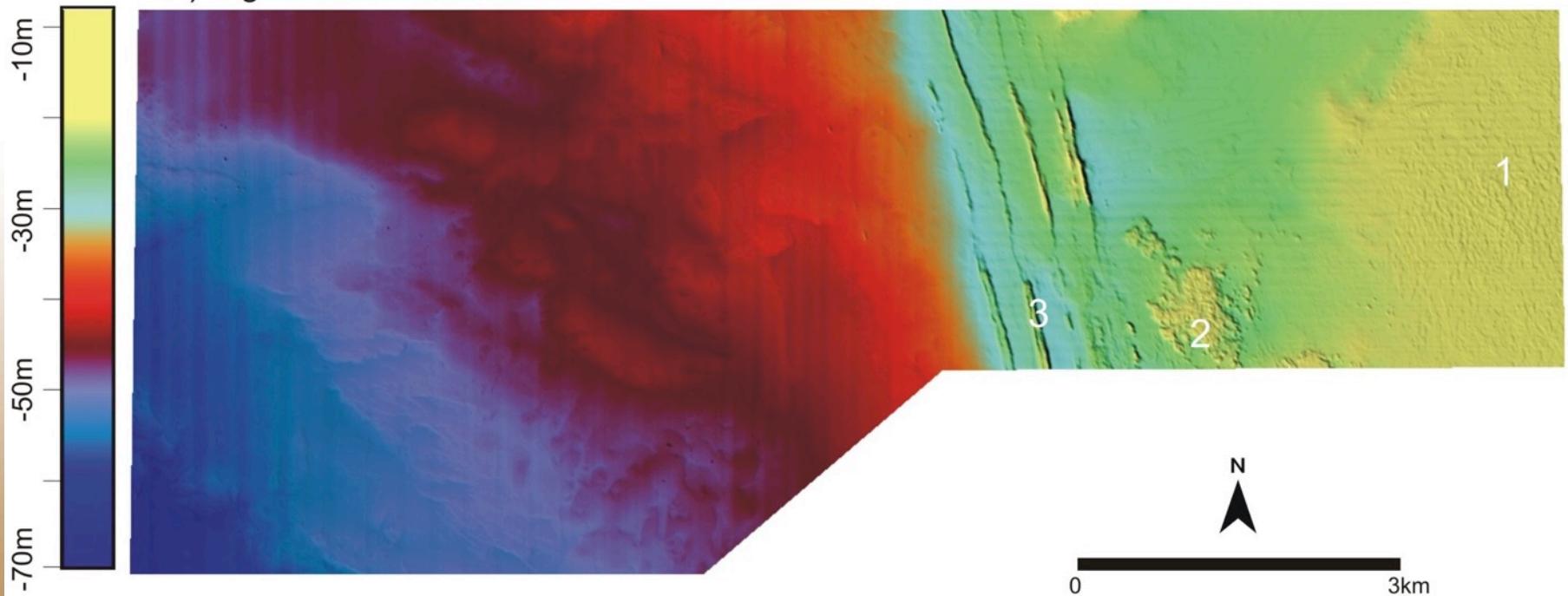
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Bathymetry

A) Digital Terrain Model





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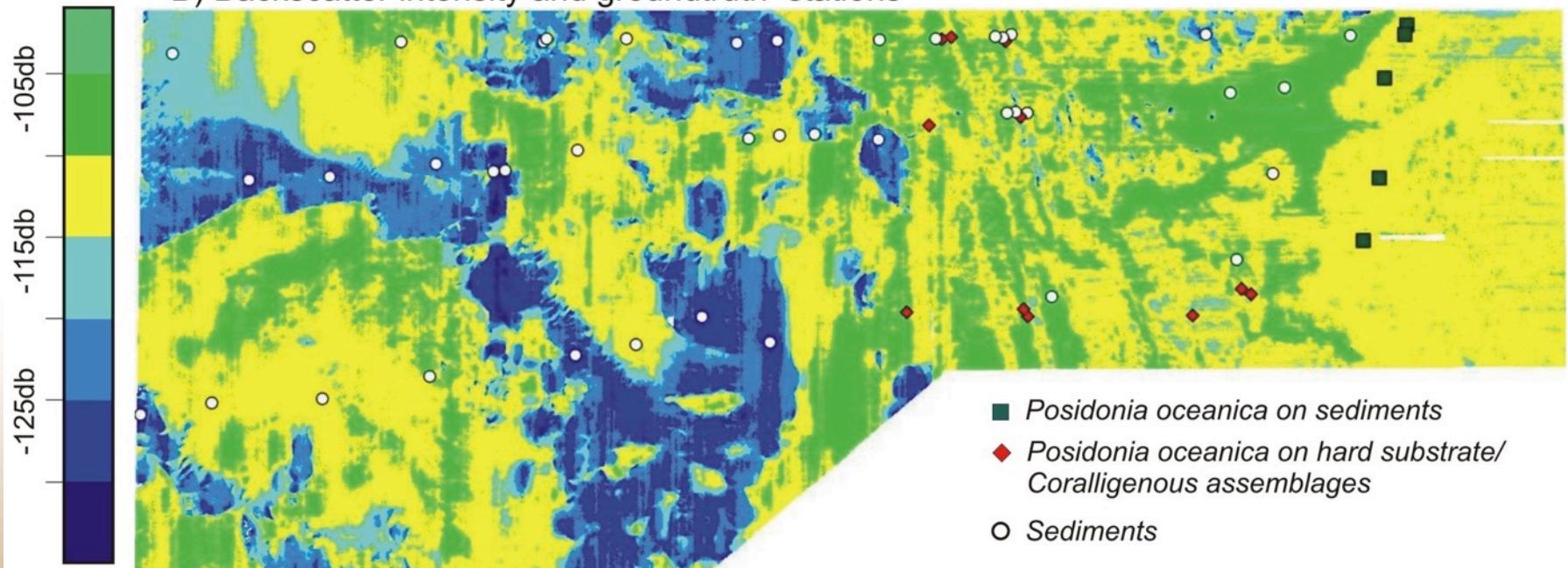
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Backscatter strength and ground truth stations

B) Backscatter intensity and groundtruth stations

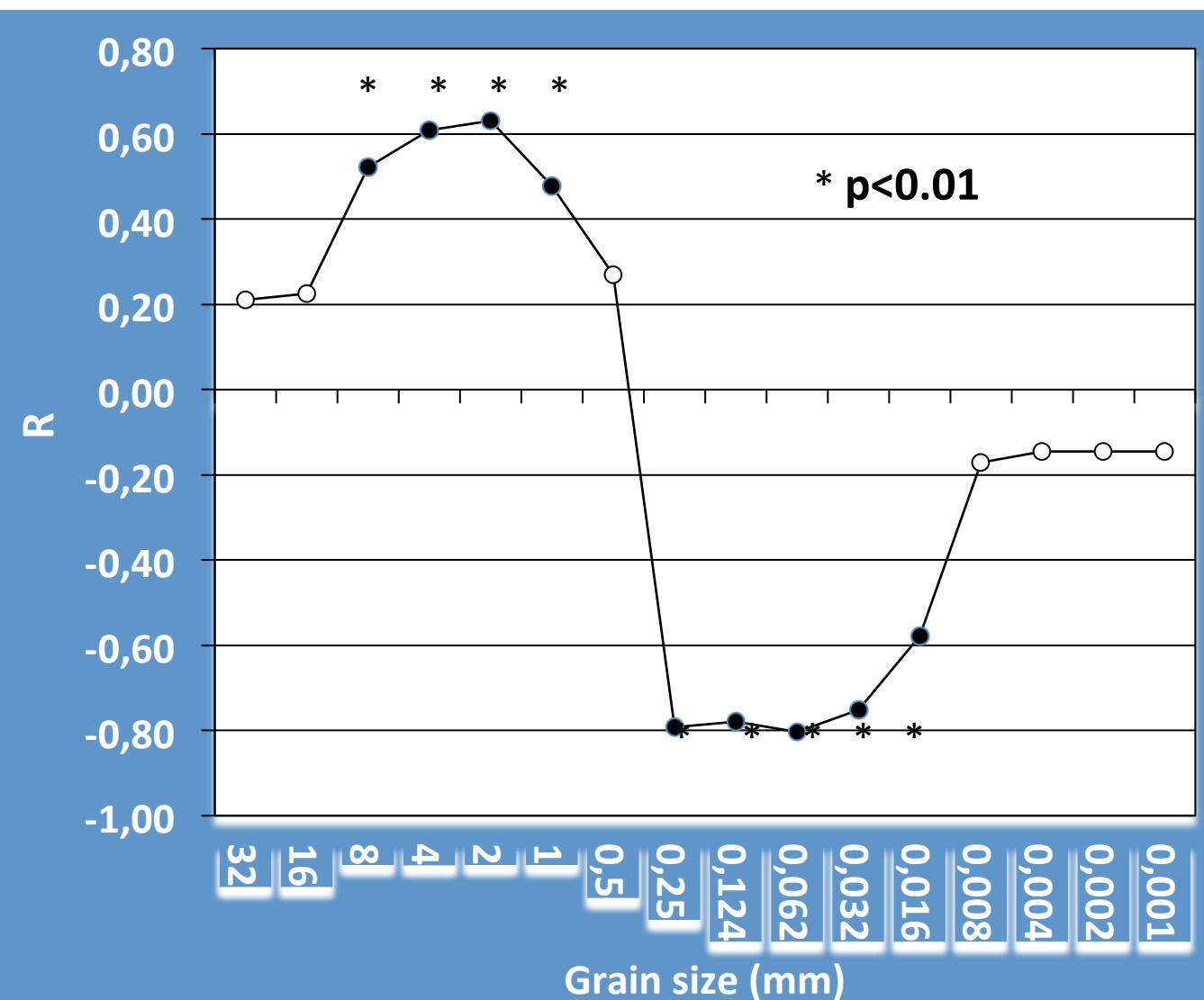




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Backscatter strength vs. sediment grain size Linear correlation





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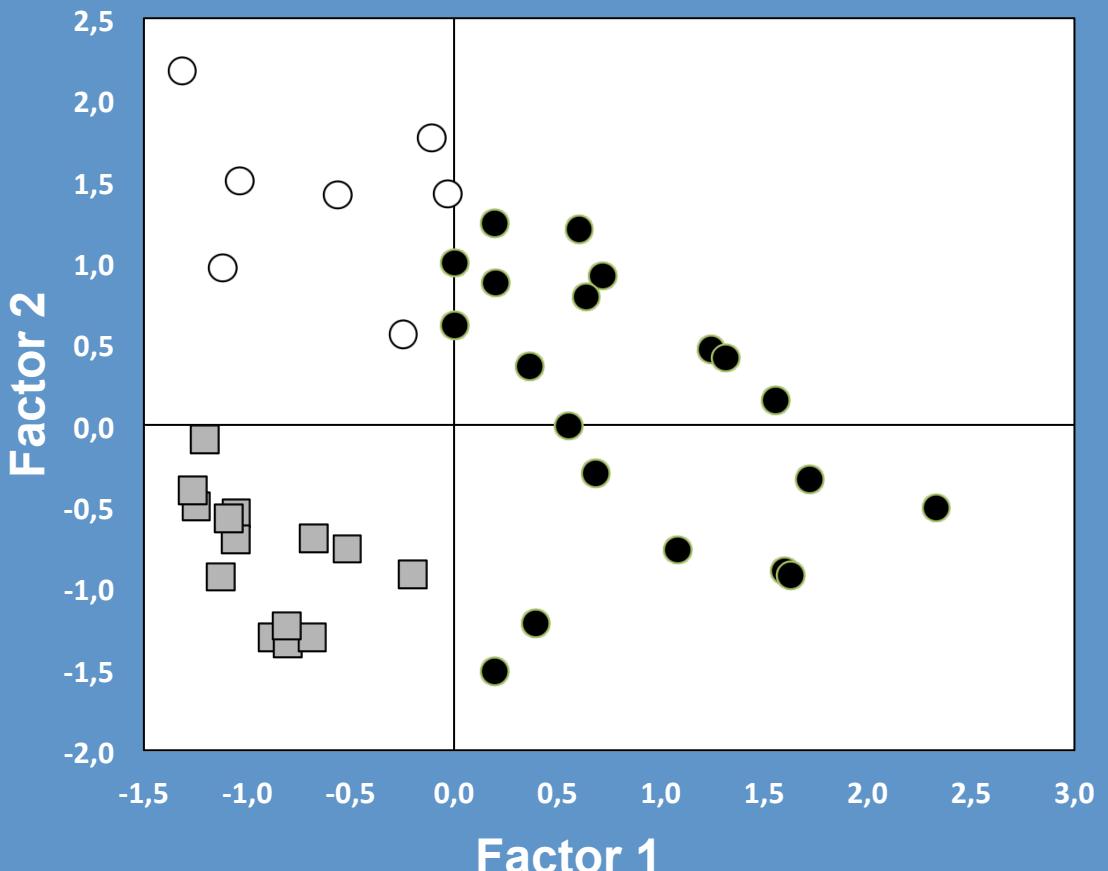
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○ GS - Gravelly Sand

■ SGMS - Slightly Gravelly Muddy Sand

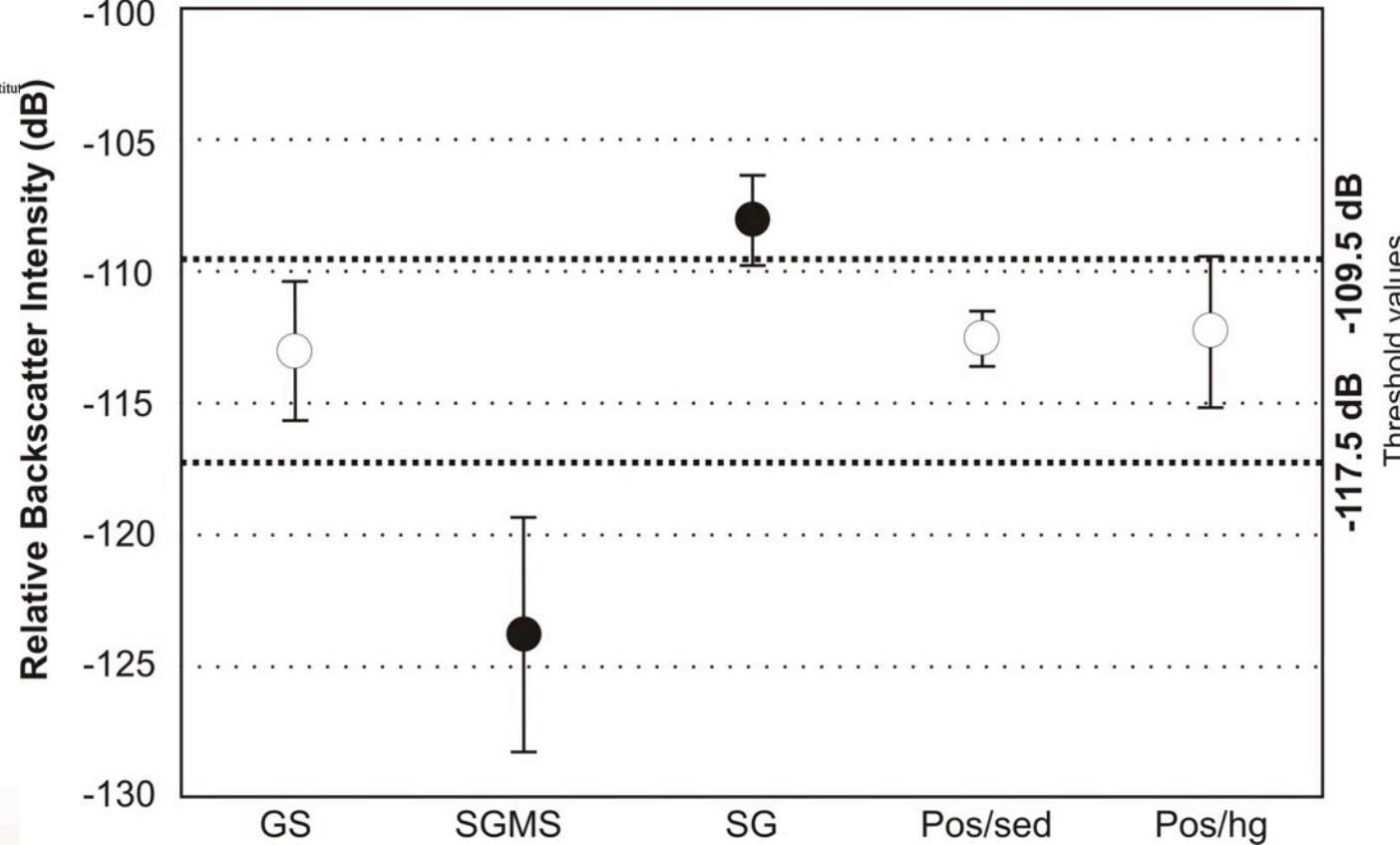
● SG - Sandy Gravel

	F 1	F 2
Backscatter intensity (dB)	0.88	0.31
D1 Backscatter intensity (dB)	0.84	0.33
D2 Backscatter intensity (dB)	0.83	0.30
D2 slope	0.33	0.73
32-64 mm - very coarse gravel (%)	0.64	-0.14
16-32 mm - coarse gravel (%)	0.68	0.18
8-16 mm - medium gravel (%)	0.81	0.33
4-8 mm - fine gravel (%)	0.69	0.62
2-4 mm - very fine gravel (%)	0.58	0.75
1-2 mm - very coarse sand (%)	0.26	0.91
0.5-1 mm - coarse sand (%)	-0.11	0.78
0.25-0.5 mm - medium sand (%)	-0.74	-0.49
0.124-0.25 mm - fine sand (%)	-0.69	-0.54
0.062-0.124 mm - very fine sand (%)	-0.67	-0.66
<0.062 mm - Silt + Clay (%)	-0.64	-0.68
Explained Variance	44%	32%



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Source	DF	MS	F	p	SNK test
Backscatter intensity (dB)*					
Seabed	4	23.059	17.1	<0.00001	SG > GS=Pos/sed=Pos/hg > SGMS
Station (Seabed)	20	1.348	482.2	<0.00001	
Error	725	0.003			

* transformed $\ln(x+\text{constant})$; Cochran test NS after transformation

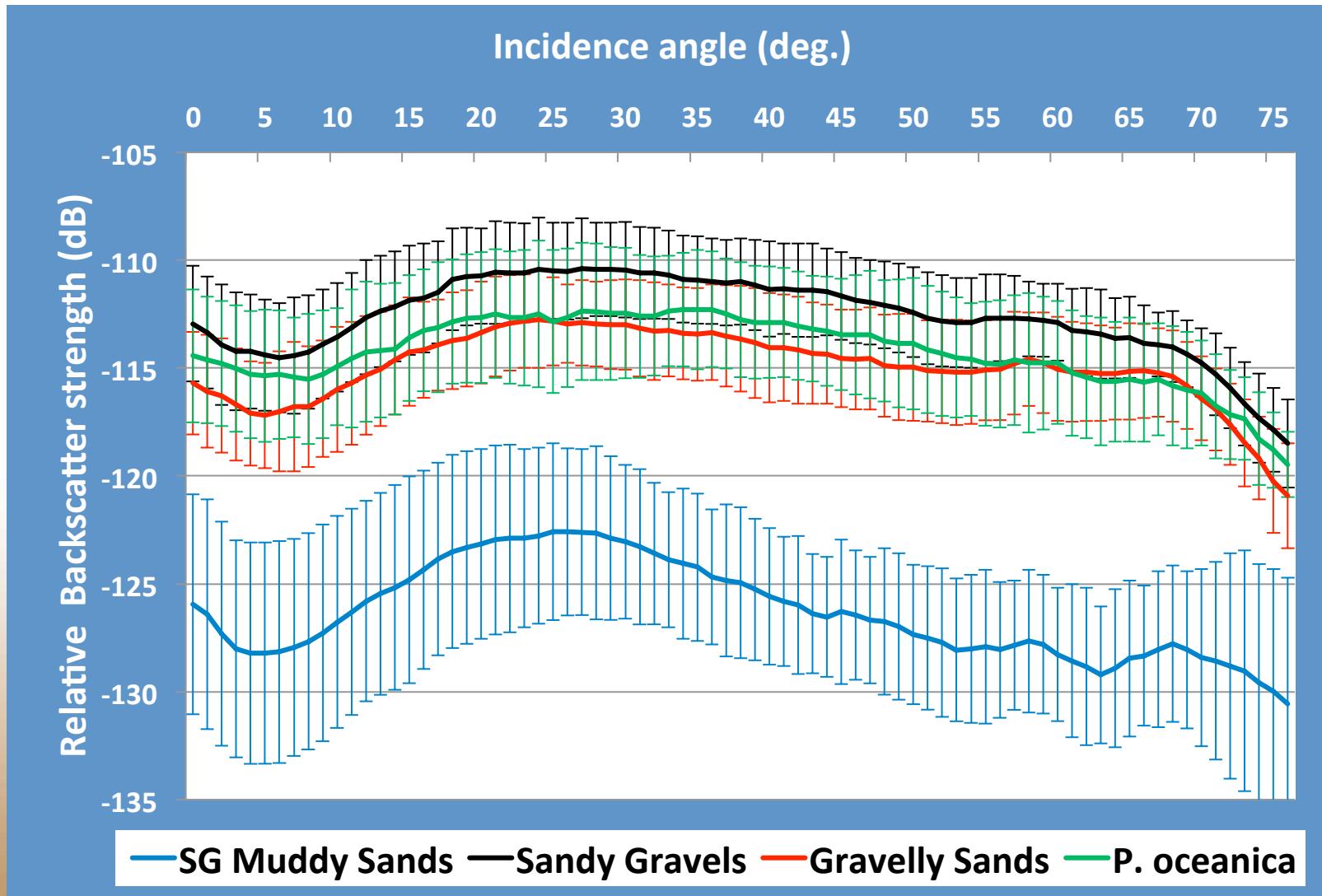


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Mean Angular Response (\pm SD) including *Posidonia oceanica* on sediments





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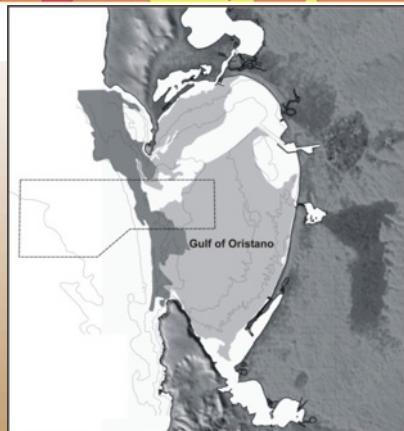
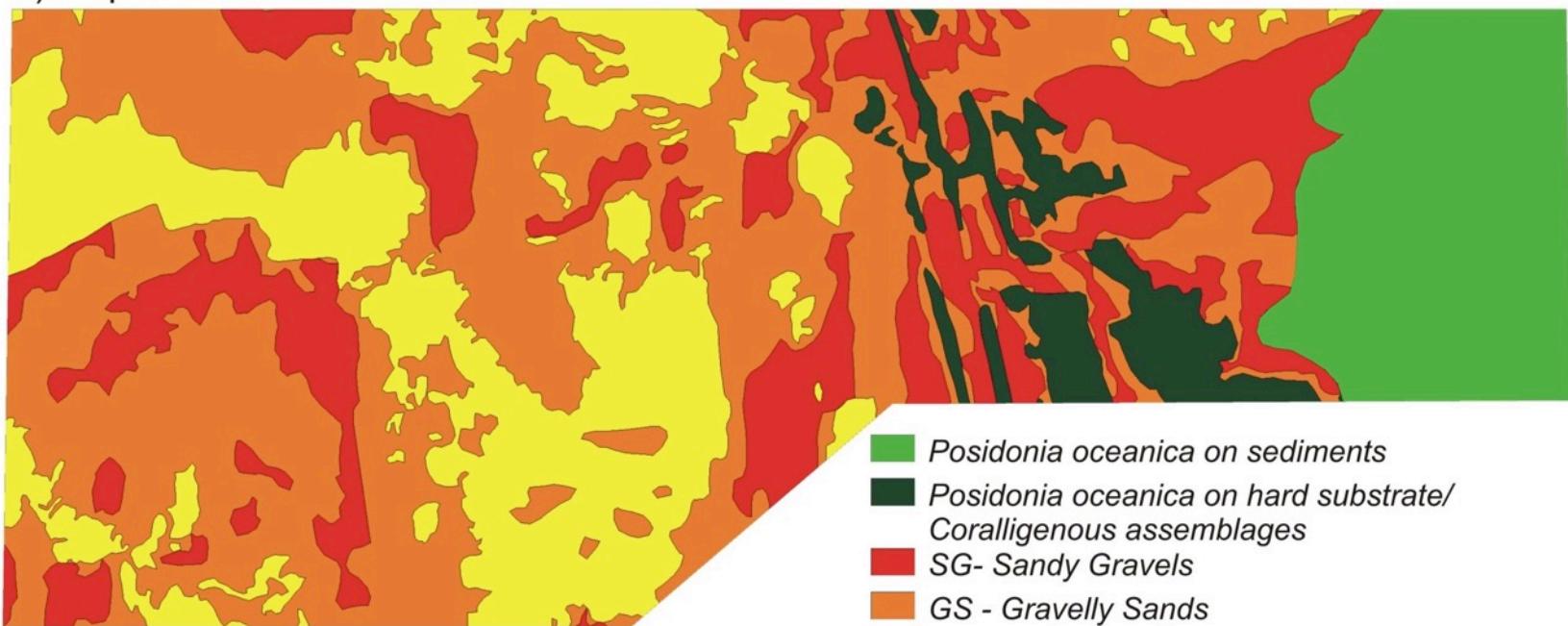
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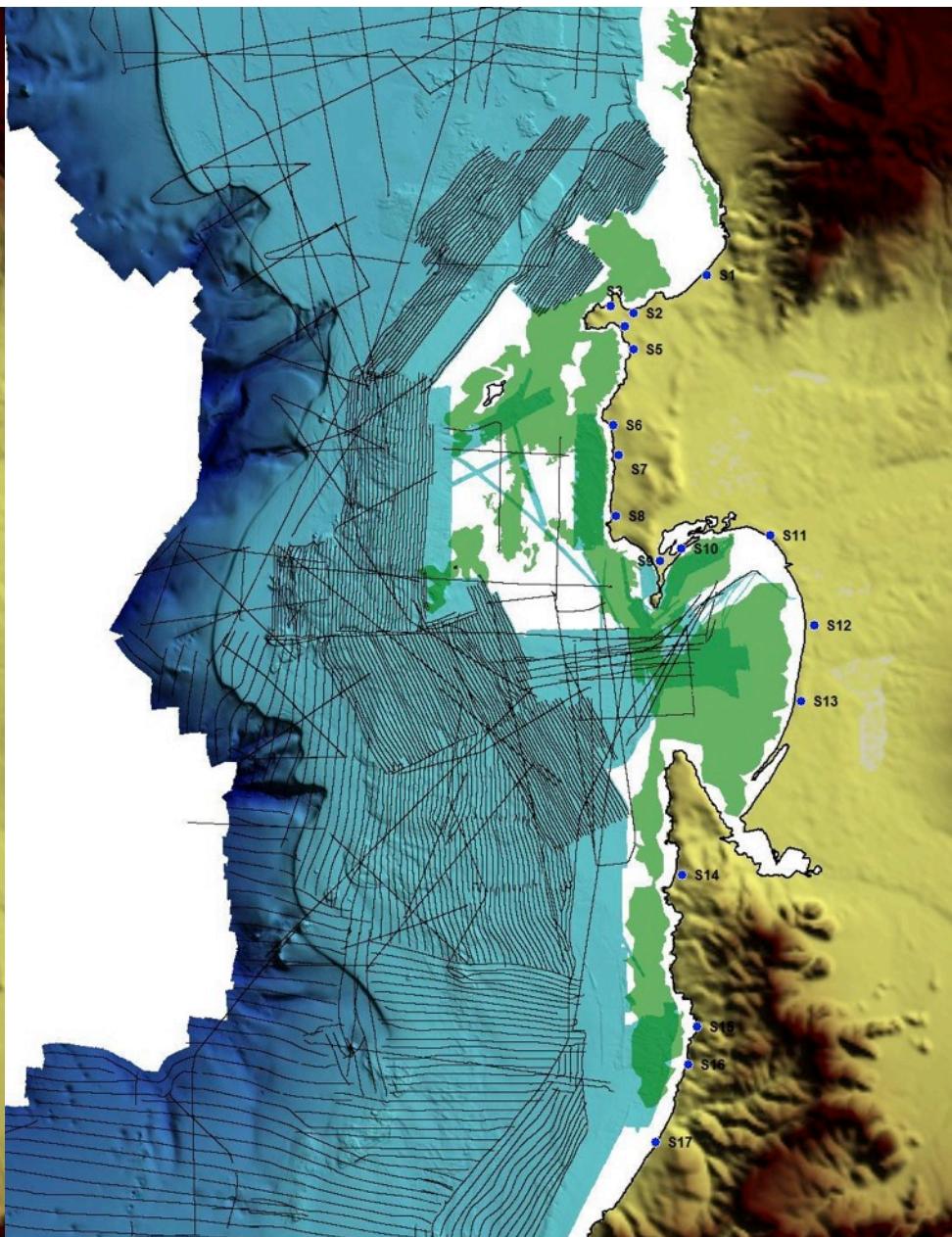
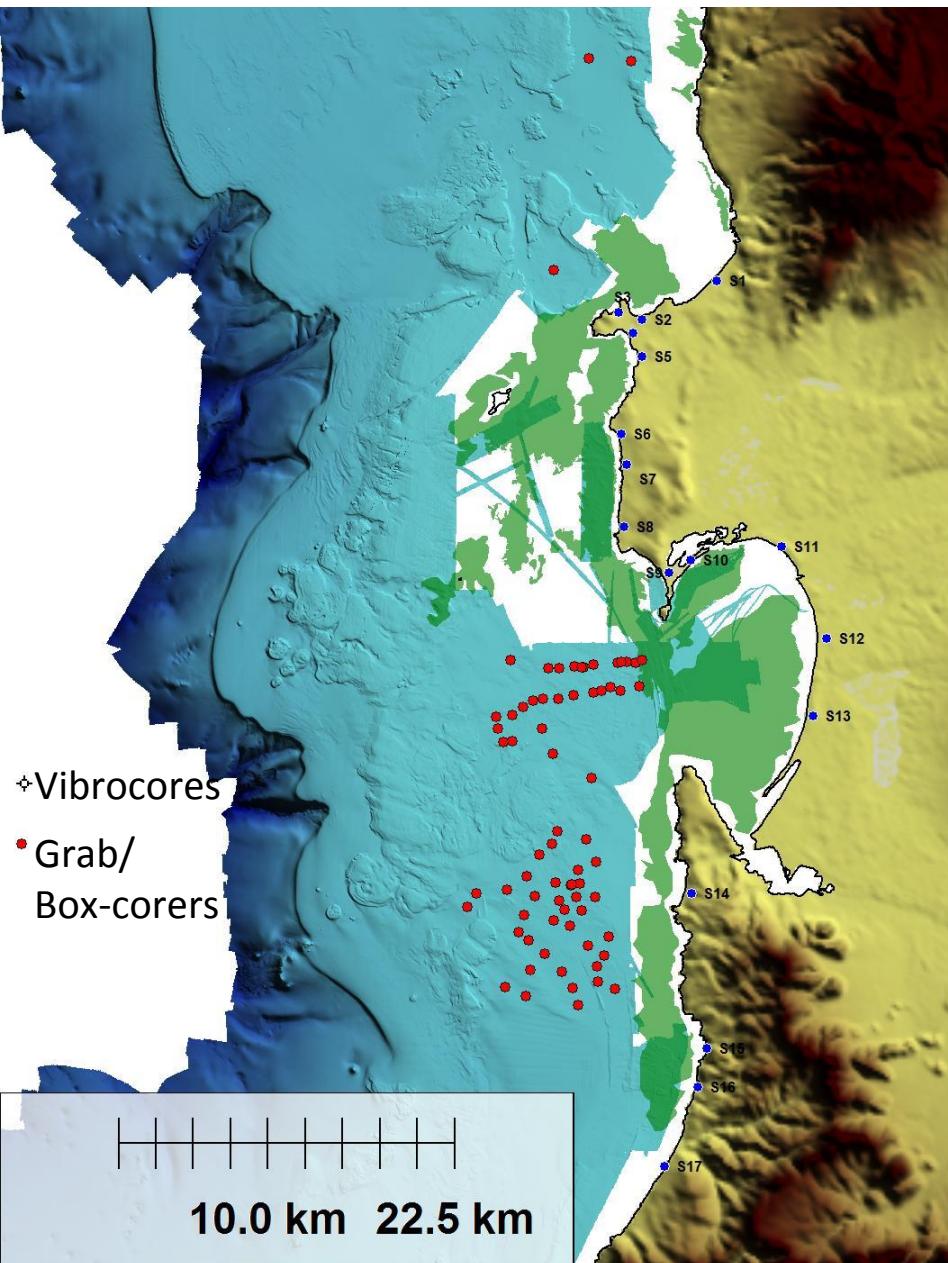
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B) Map of seabed classification



Sediments reservoirs



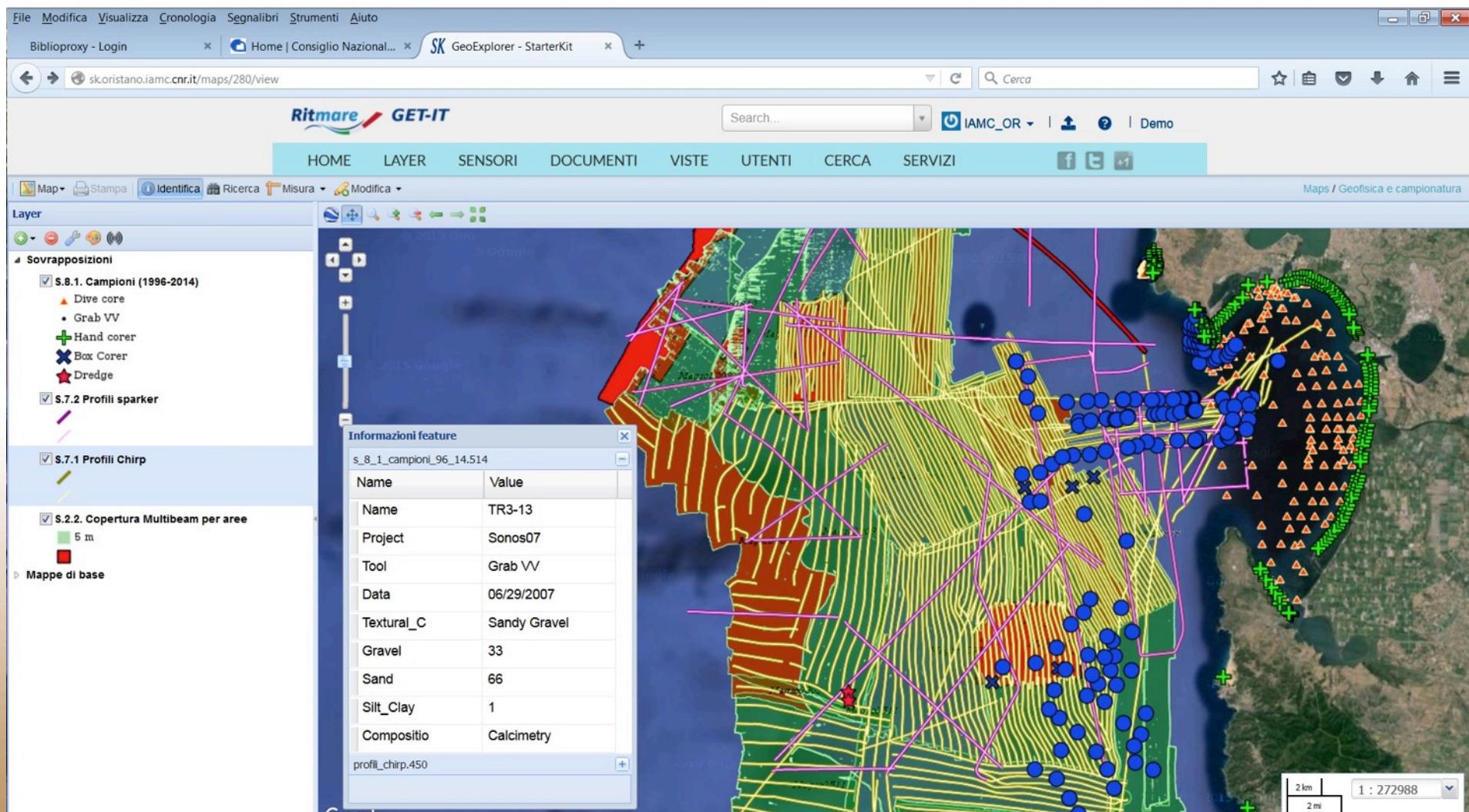


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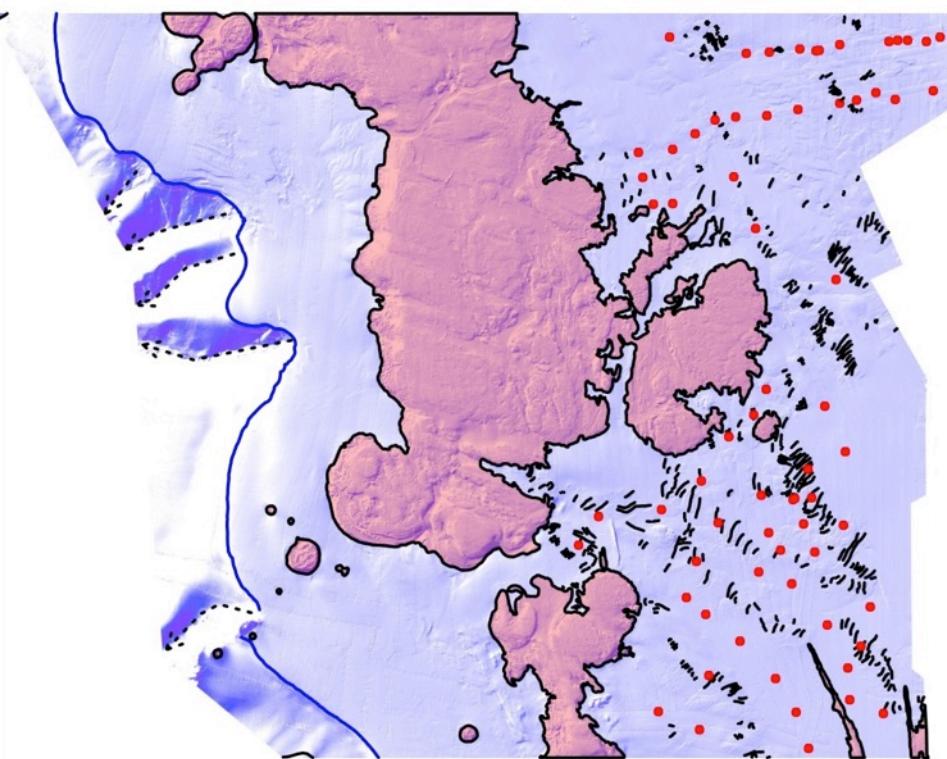
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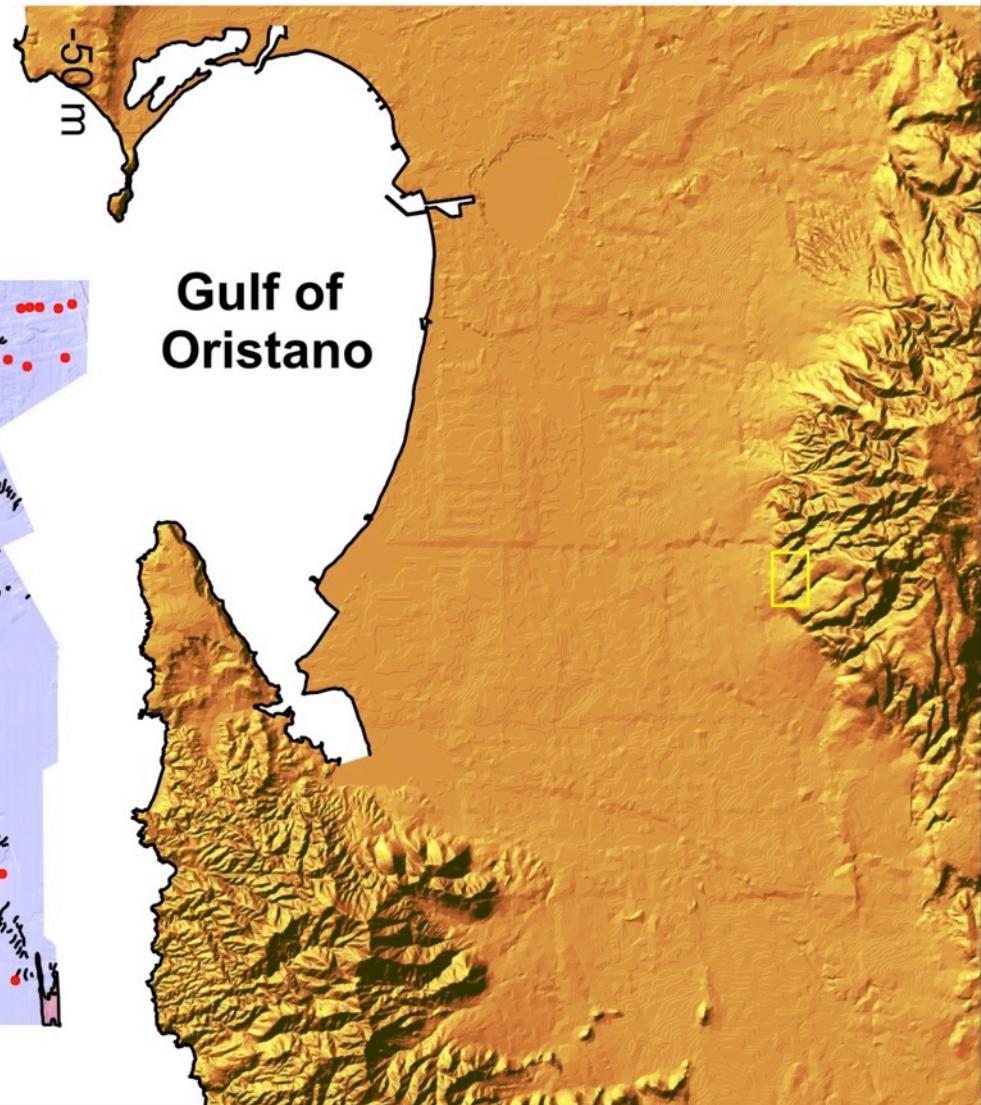
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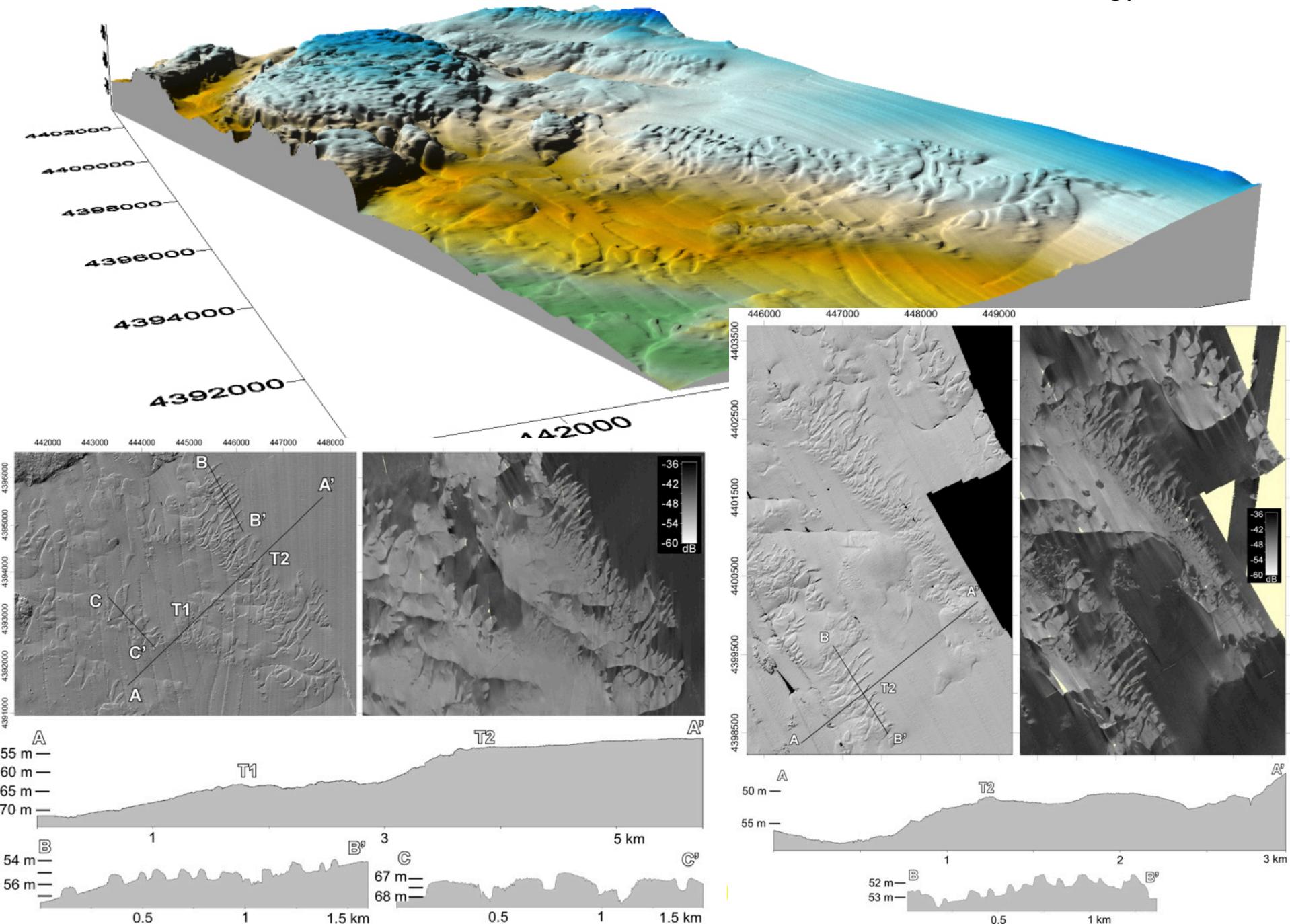


- Bedrock outcrops
- Dune crests
- Shelf edge
- Canyons
- Sediment samples

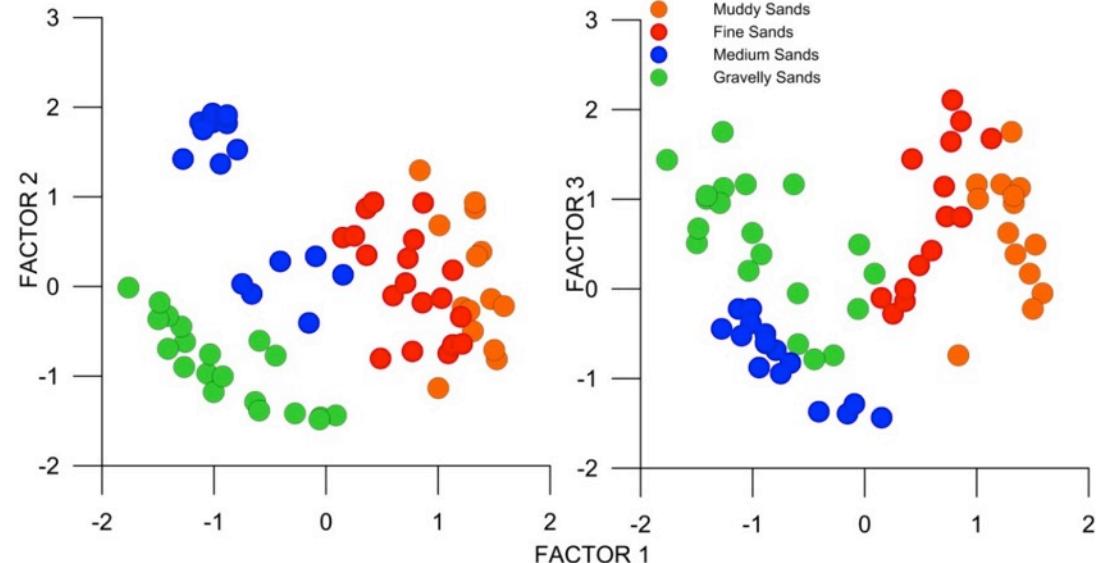


Gulf of
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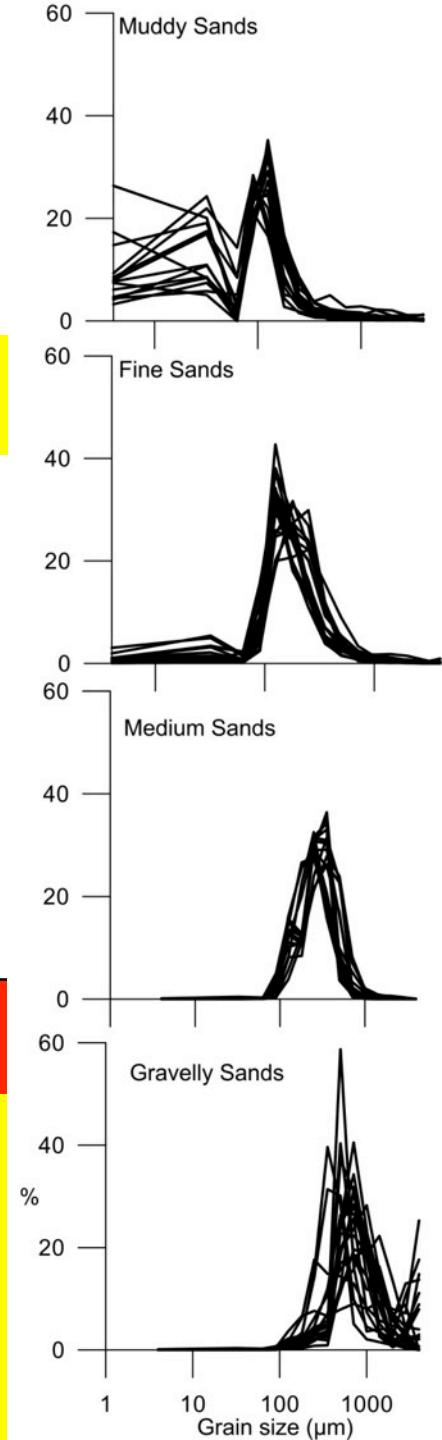




Marine sedimentary facies classification: factor analysis



μm	F1	F2	F3
>4000	0.17	-0.70	0.24
2800-4000	-0.19	-0.87	0.33
2000-2800	-0.18	-0.93	0.23
1400-2000	-0.25	-0.92	0.24
1000-1400	-0.39	-0.87	0.13
710-1000	-0.57	-0.76	-0.04
500-710	-0.87	-0.35	-0.15
355-500	-0.47	0.26	-0.77
250-355	-0.08	0.43	-0.87
180-250	0.56	0.30	-0.71
125-180	0.83	0.30	-0.29
90-125	0.86	0.41	0.07
63-90	0.74	0.20	-0.26
32-63	0.96	0.04	0.09
4-32	0.95	0.01	0.13
<4	0.93	0.06	0.13
	41%	32%	15%



Sed. Facies	D_{50}	Coarse		Medium		Fine		CaCO_3
		Gravel	Sands	Sands	%	sands	Mud	
Bioclastic Muddy Sands	Mean	123	1	4	7	64	24	66
	SD	27	1	3	3	8	11	8
BIOCLASTIC Fine Sands	Mean	203	1	7	27	63	3	63
	SD	29	1	3	9	8	2	17
MIXED Medium Sands	Mean	328	0	14	57	29	0	43
	SD	41	0	9	7	8	0	29
SILICICLASTIC Gravelly Sands	Mean	879	13	69	14	3	0	14
	SD	250	12	18	14	3	0	11



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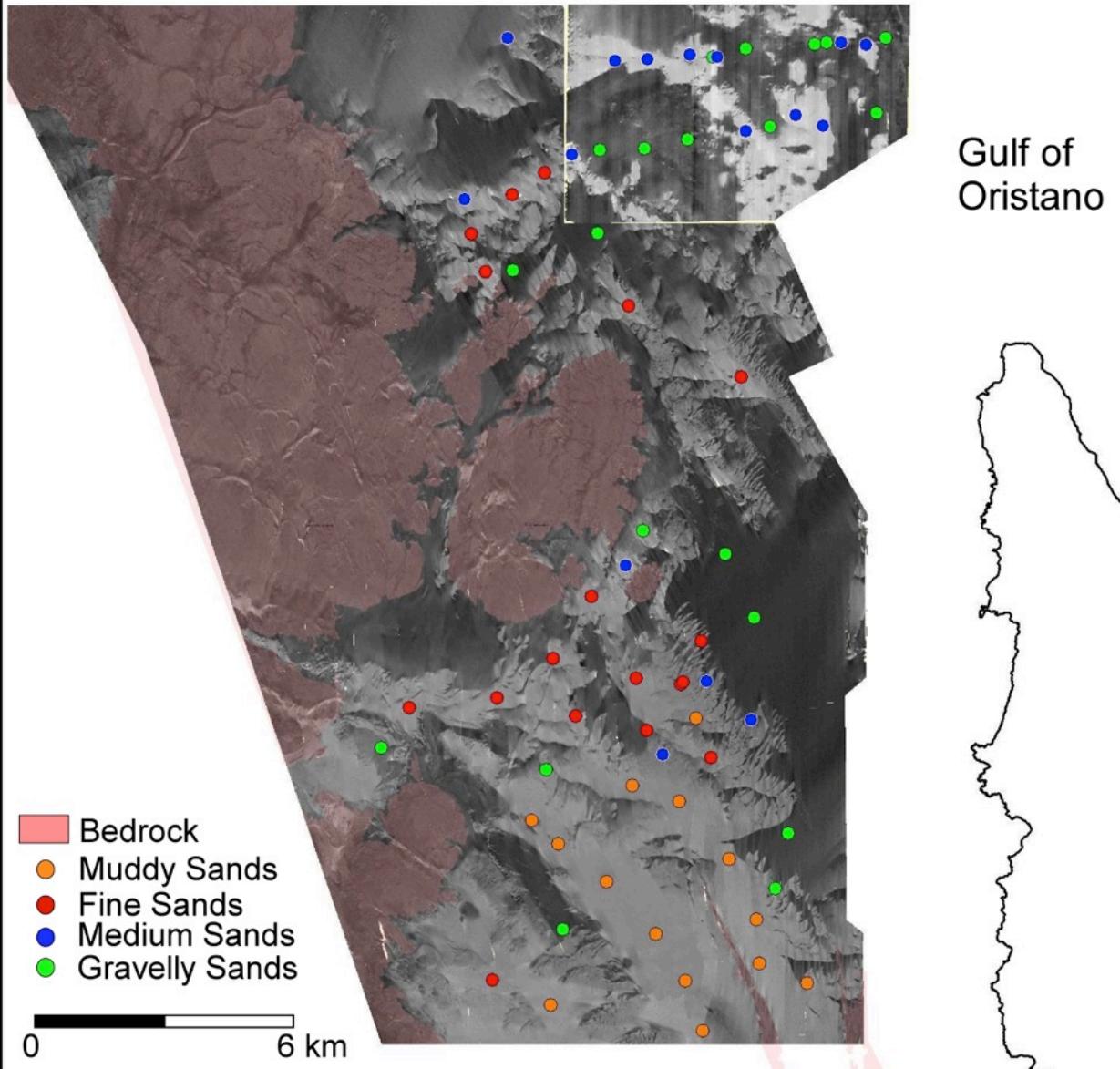
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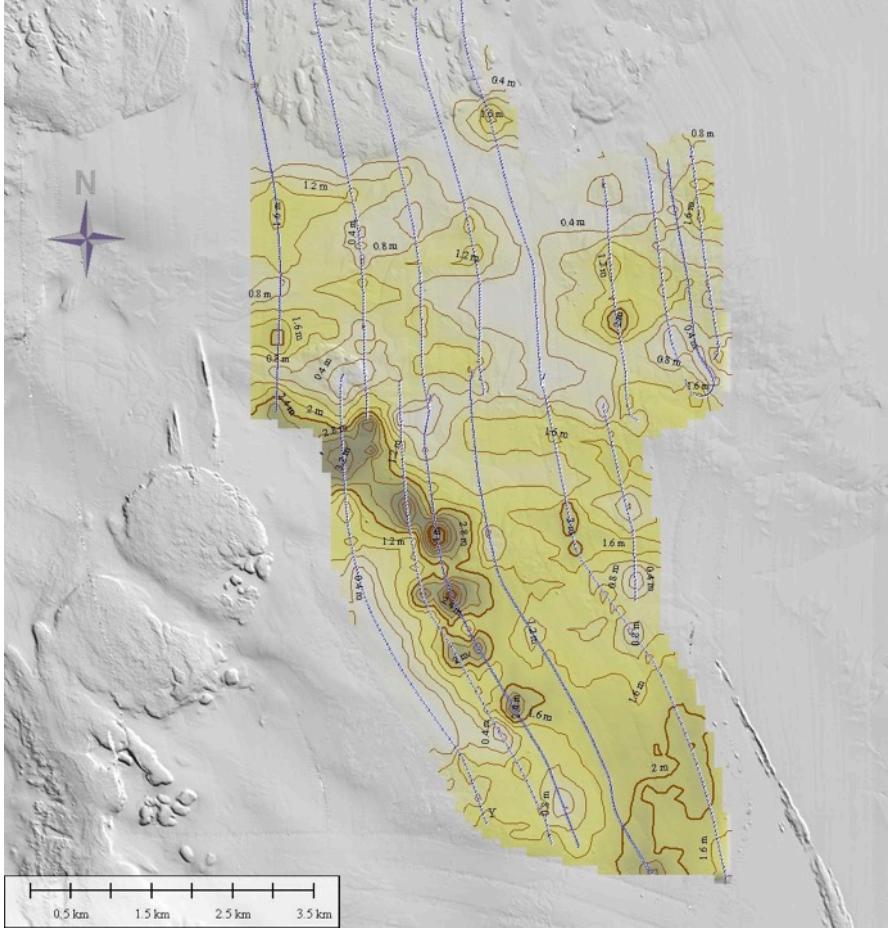
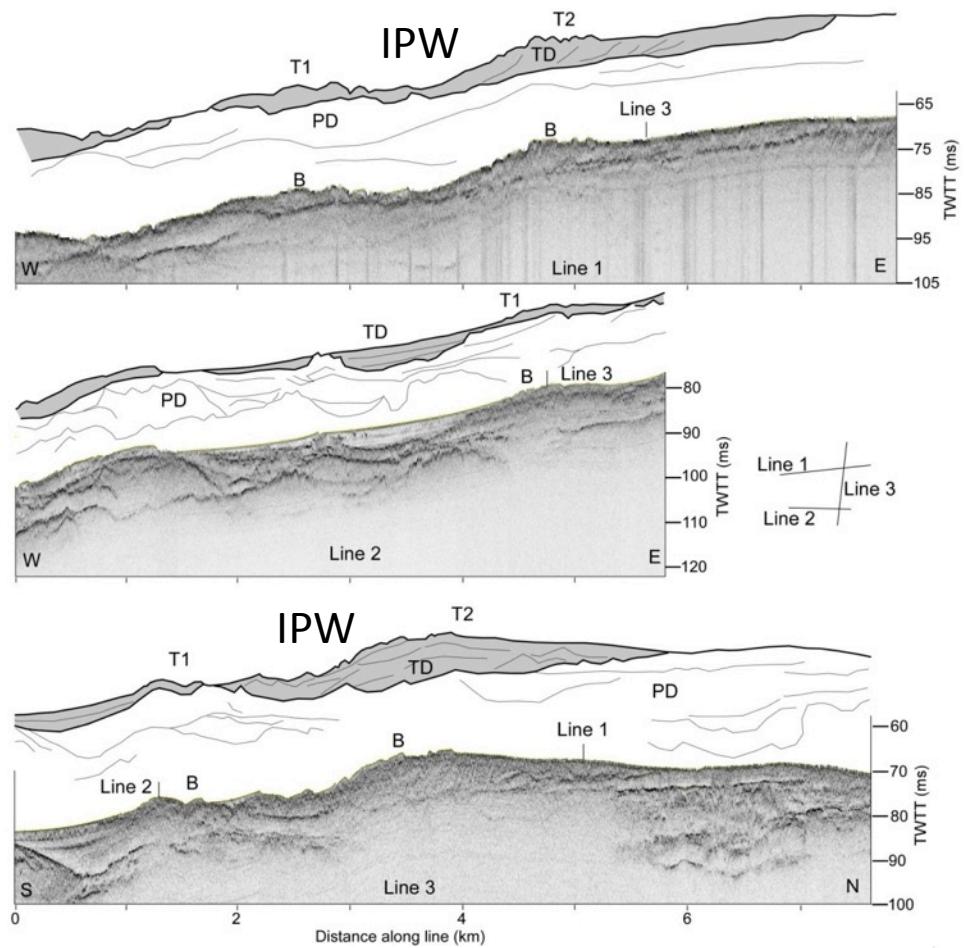
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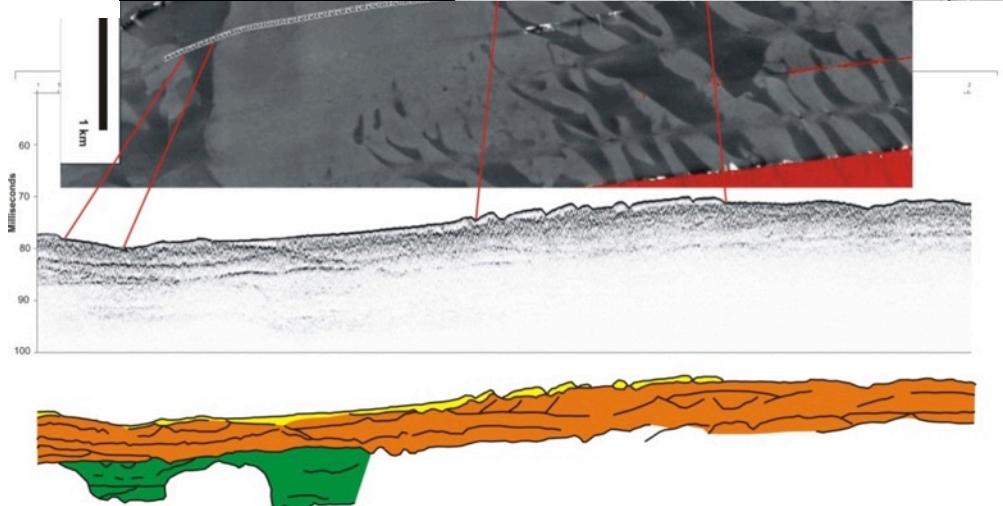
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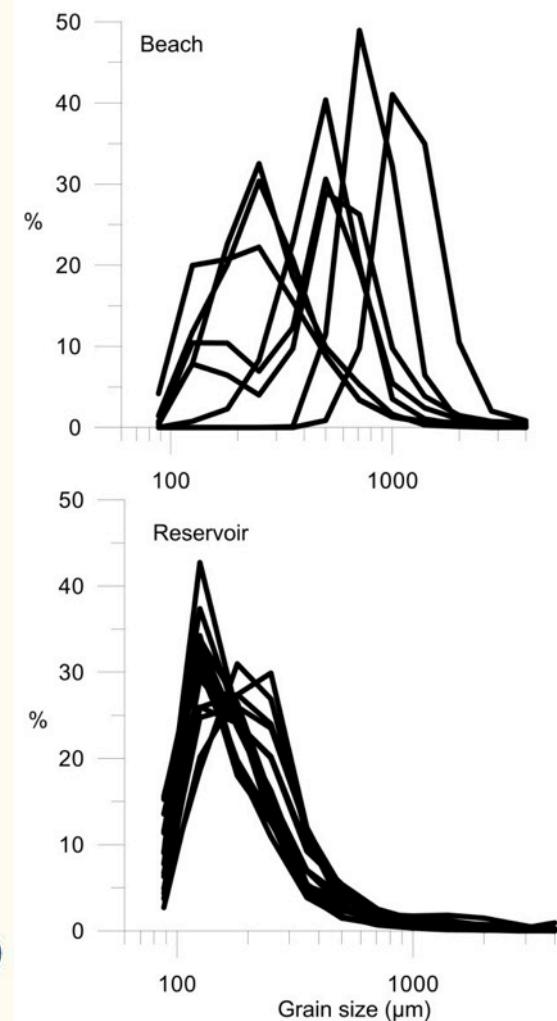
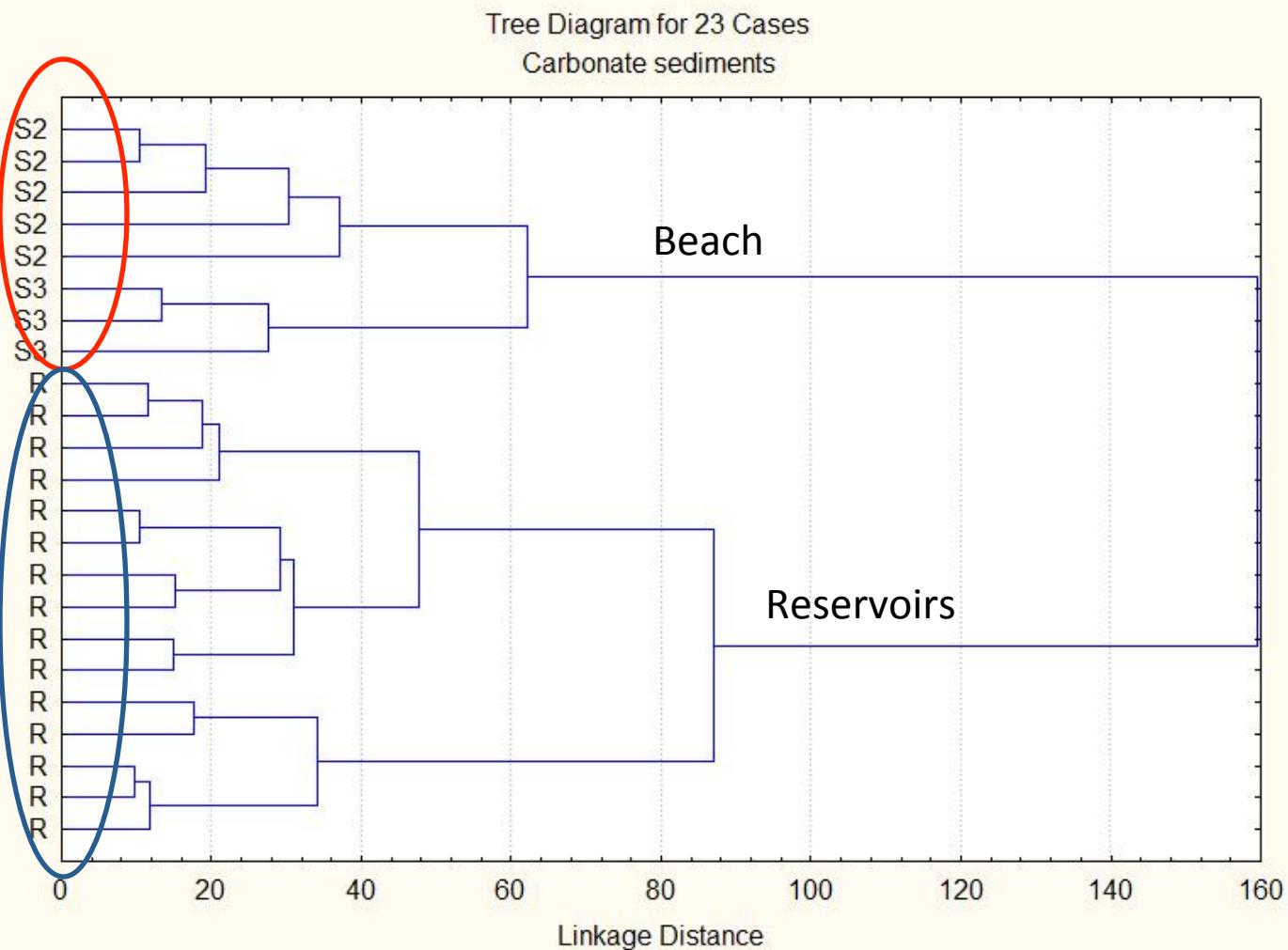


Backstepping Infralittoral prograding wedge (IPW) of siliciclastic coarse sands covered by mixed and carbonate medium and fine sands



Beach sediments vs. Reservoir sediment grain size

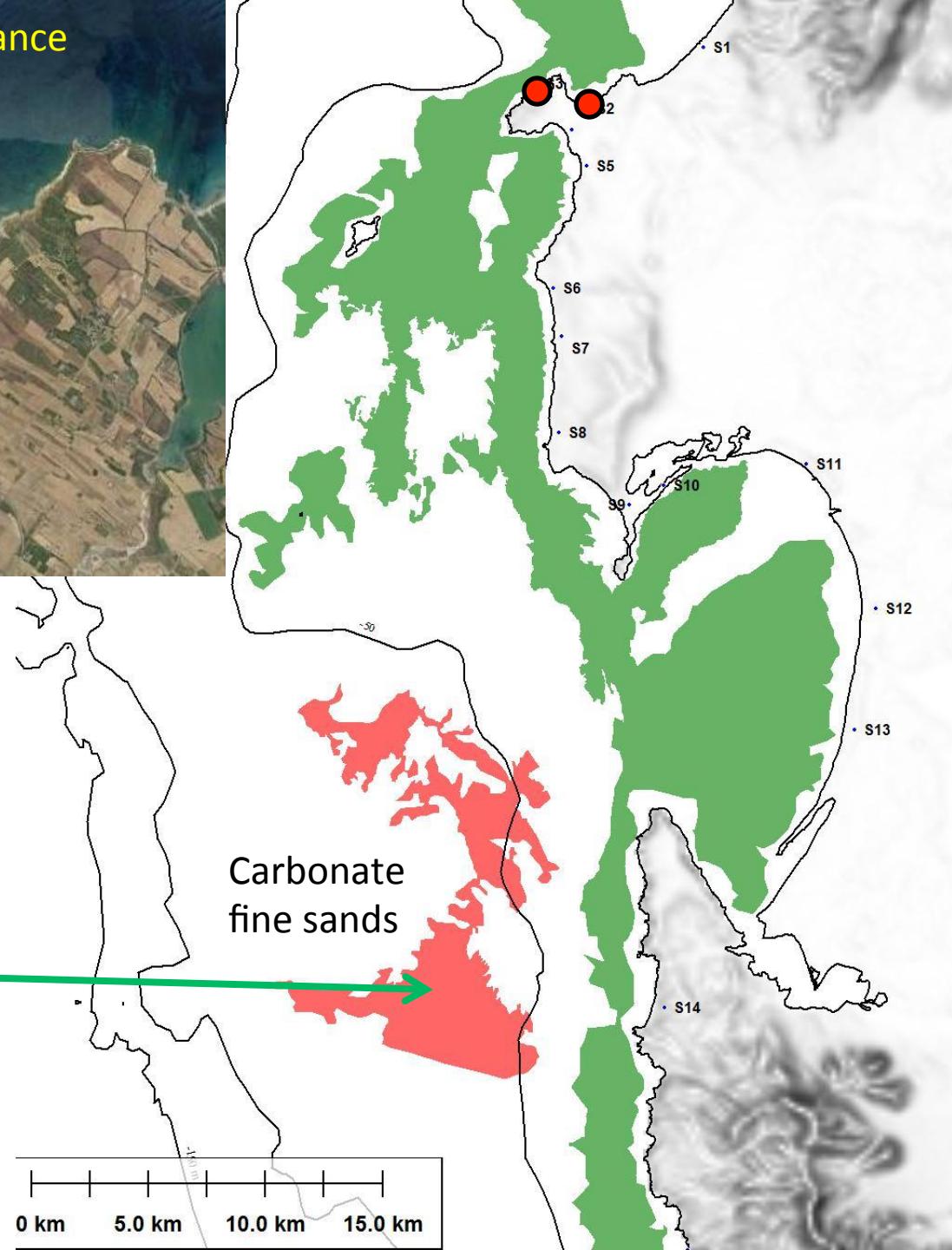
Carbonate sediments ($\text{CaCO}_3 > 60\%$)



Beach sediments: low source to sink distance

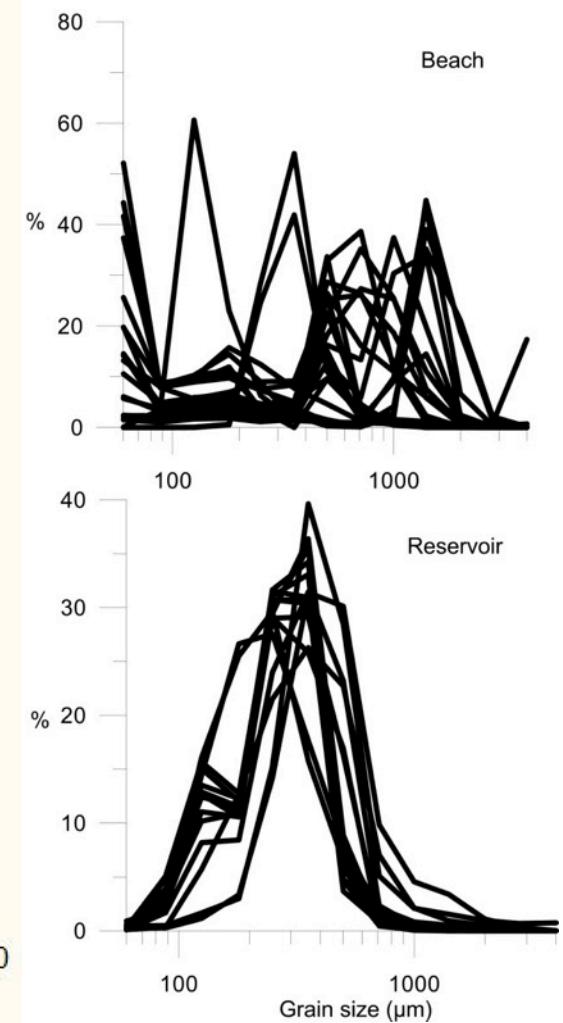
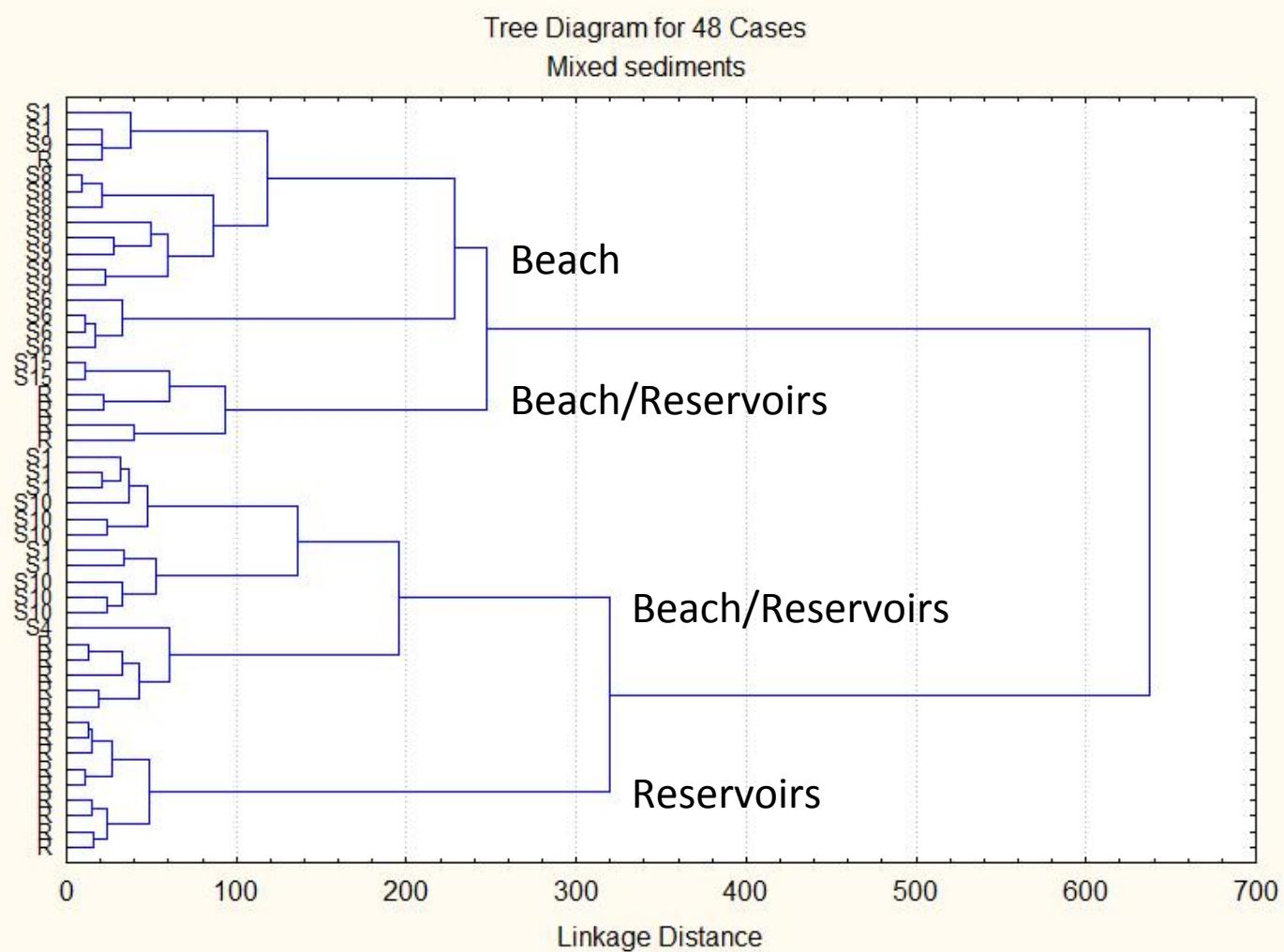


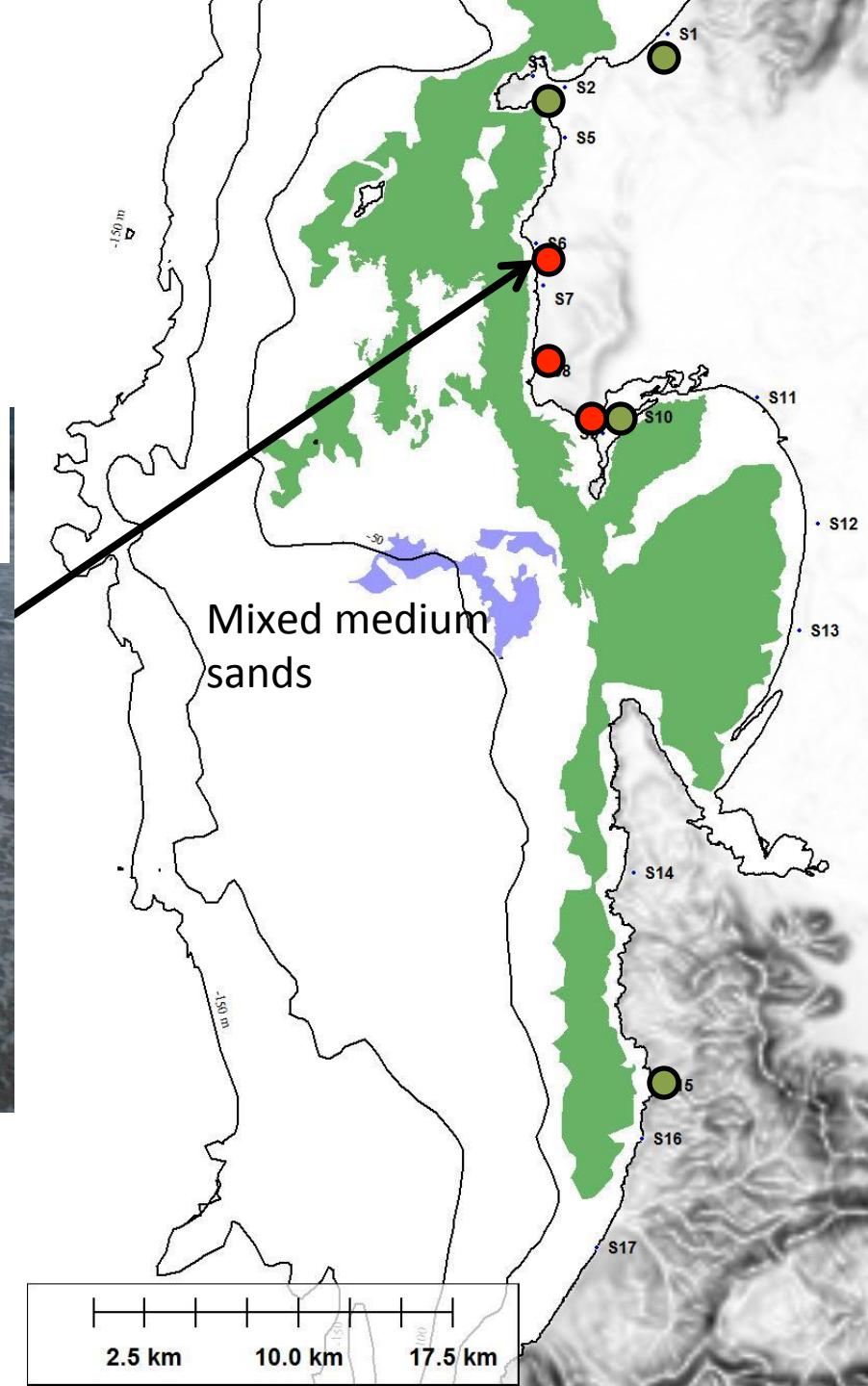
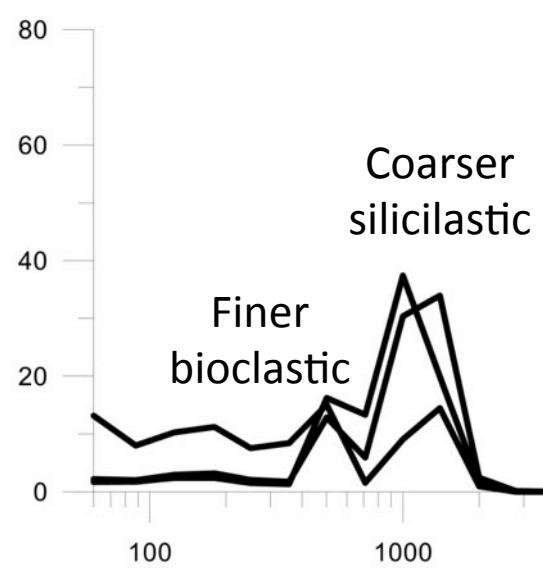
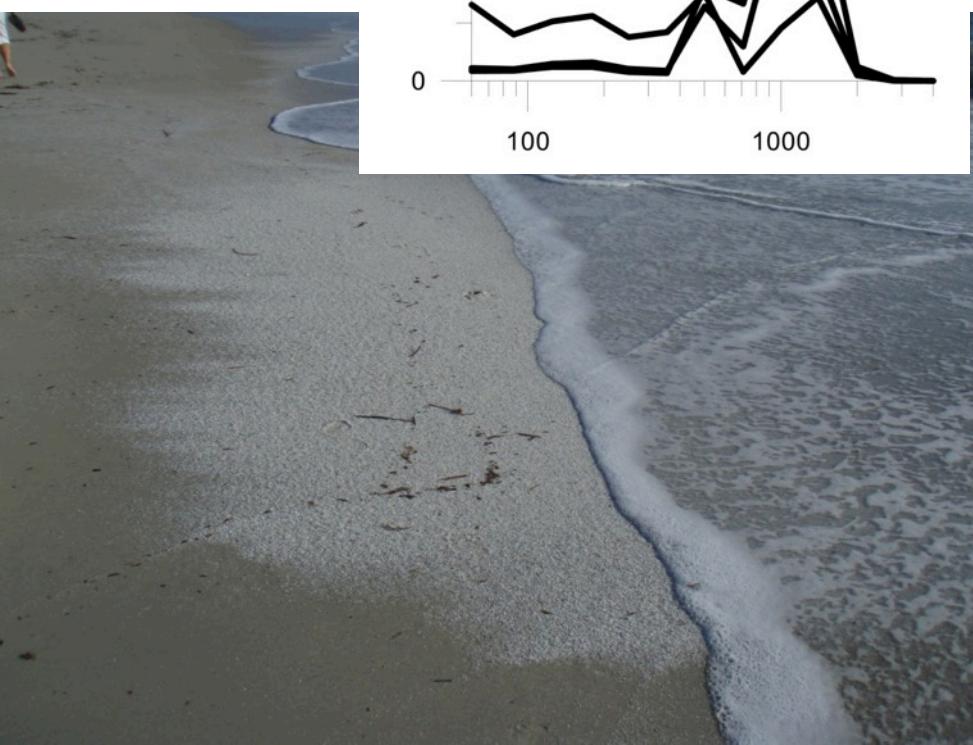
Reservoirs: sediment sorting by hydrodynamics (sorted bedforms)



Beach sediments vs. Reservoir sediment grain size

Mixed sediments (CaCO_3 20-60%)





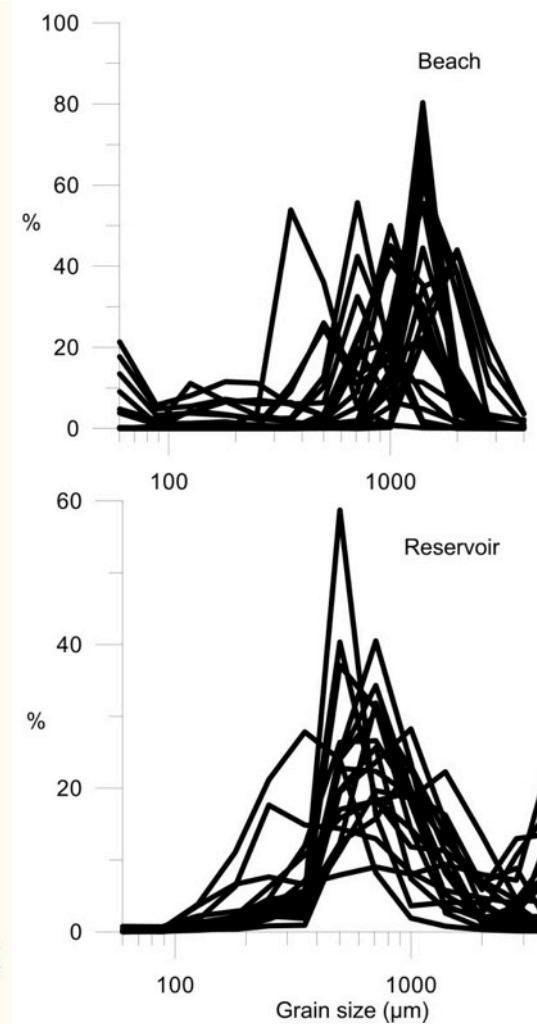
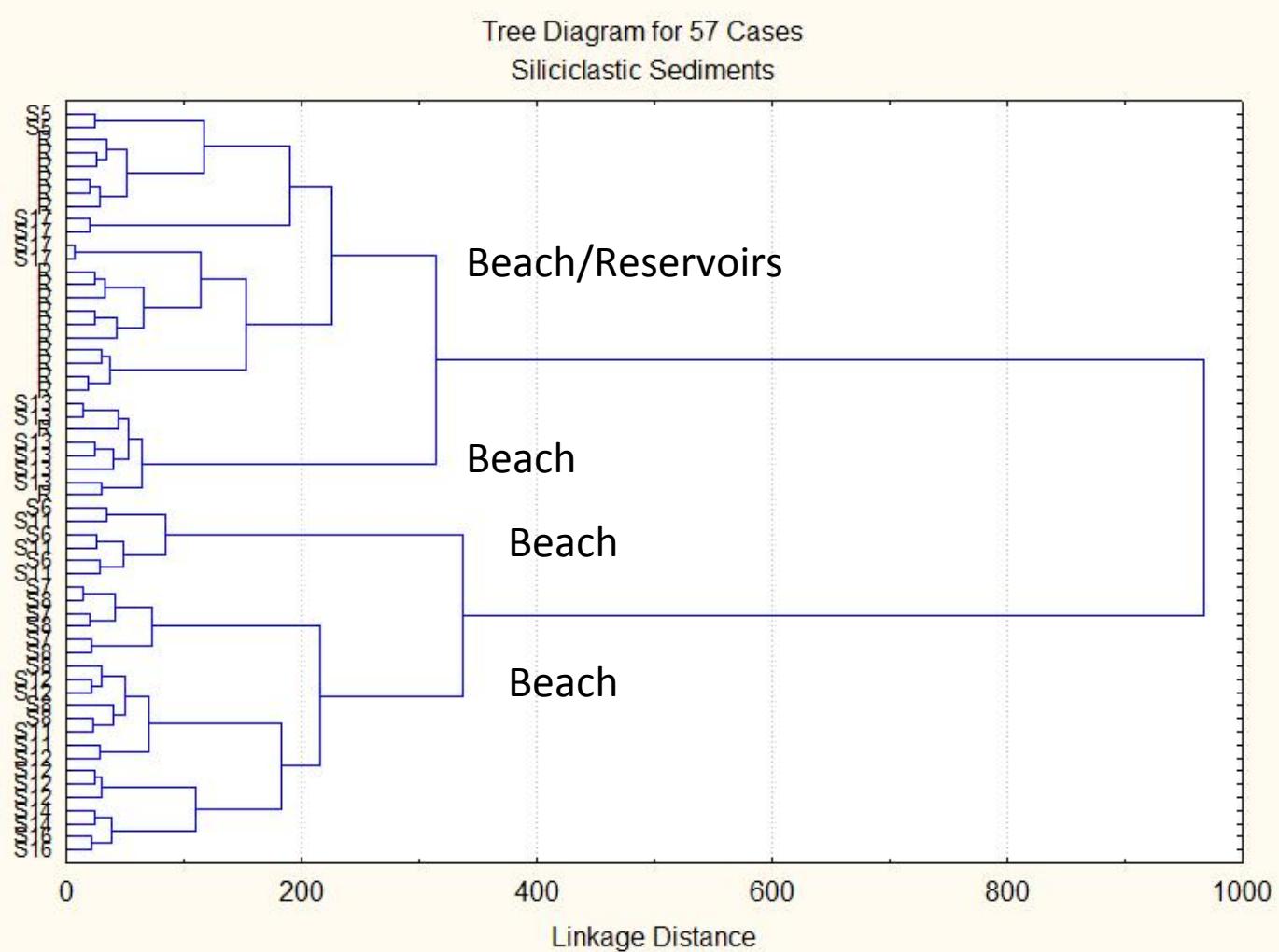
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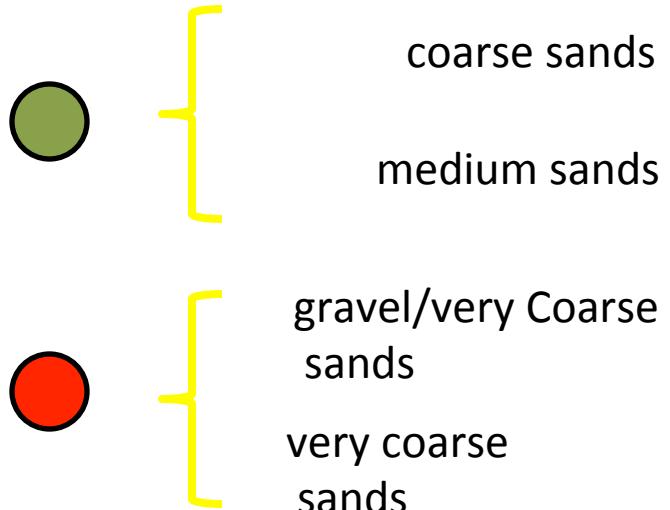
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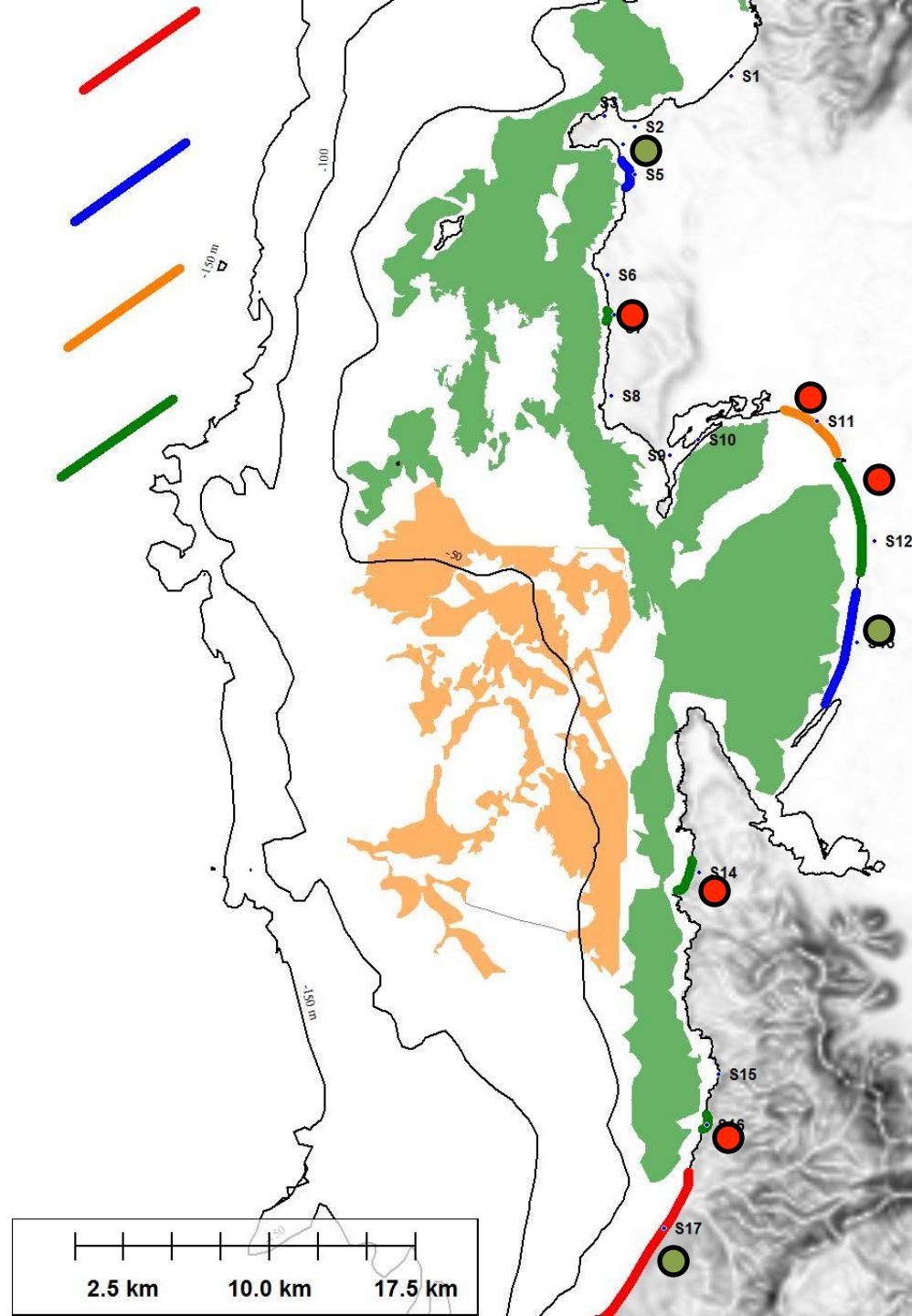
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Siliciclastic sediments ($\text{CaCO}_3 < 20\%$)





**Beach with Coarse-medium
sands of 3 beaches (out of 8) are
compatible with reservoir
sediments of IPW**





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a dire
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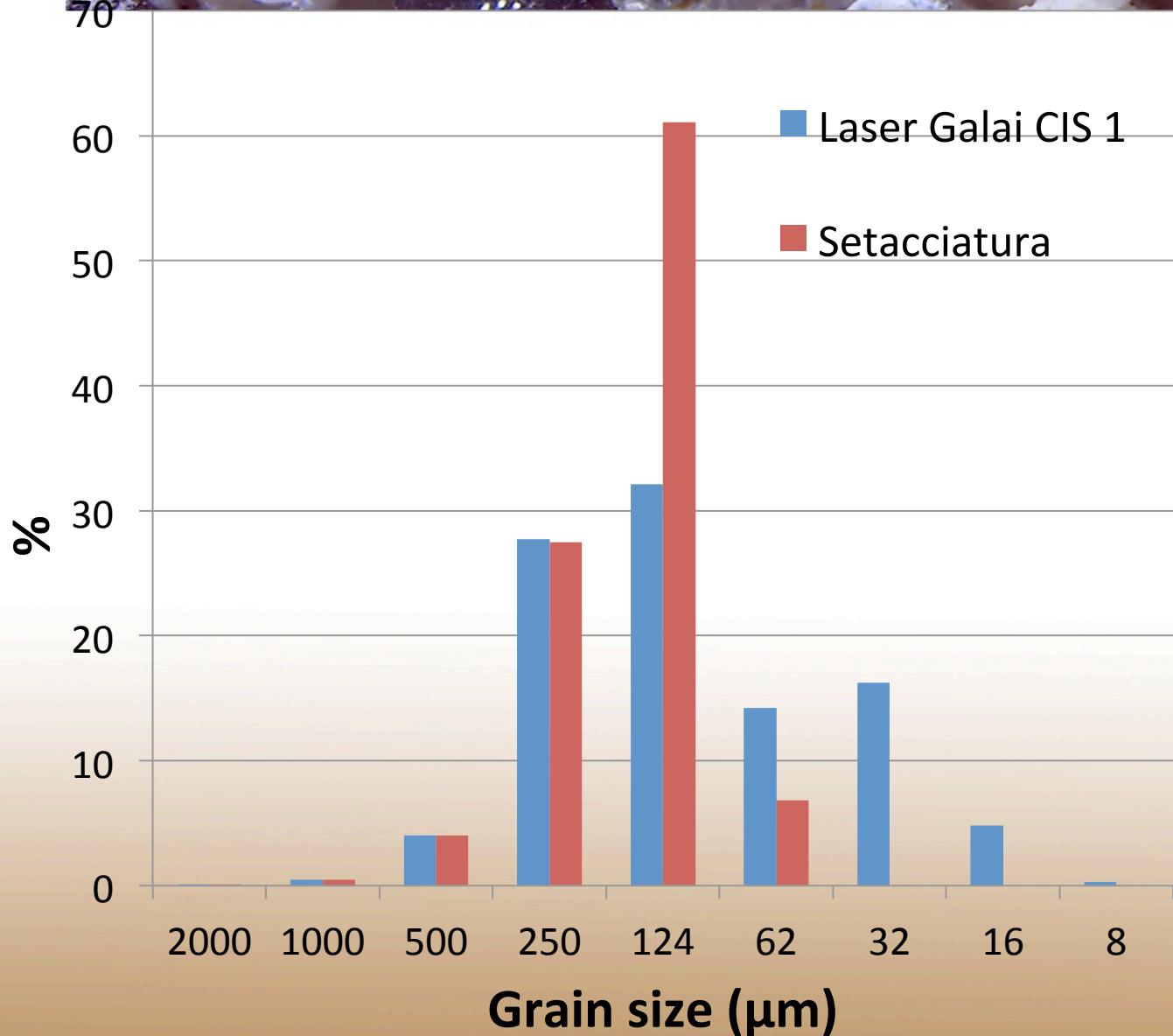


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