

Use of water isotopes tracers in high latitude hydrology and paleohydrology

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- Lake sediments contain information about isotopic water content
- Isotopic fractionation of water in the hydrological cycle arises because of differences in the behavior of water molecules containing various combinations of the naturally occurring stable isotopes of hydrogen (¹H, ²H) and oxygen (¹⁶O, ¹⁷O, ¹⁸O).



- Lake sediments can be used to reconstruct past hydrology and hydroclimatology at high latitudes.
- Provides information about runoff generation processes and surface water balance



OXYGEN-ISOTOPE ARCHIVES





 Sedimentary calcite (Chara algae calcite)

• Pisidium sp. Mollusks aragonite

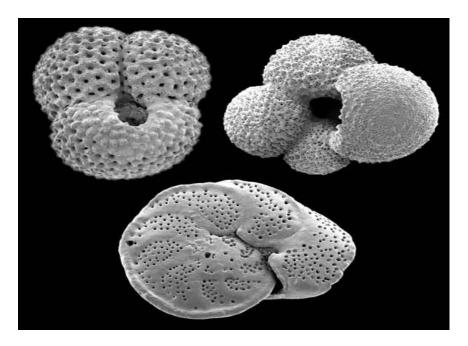


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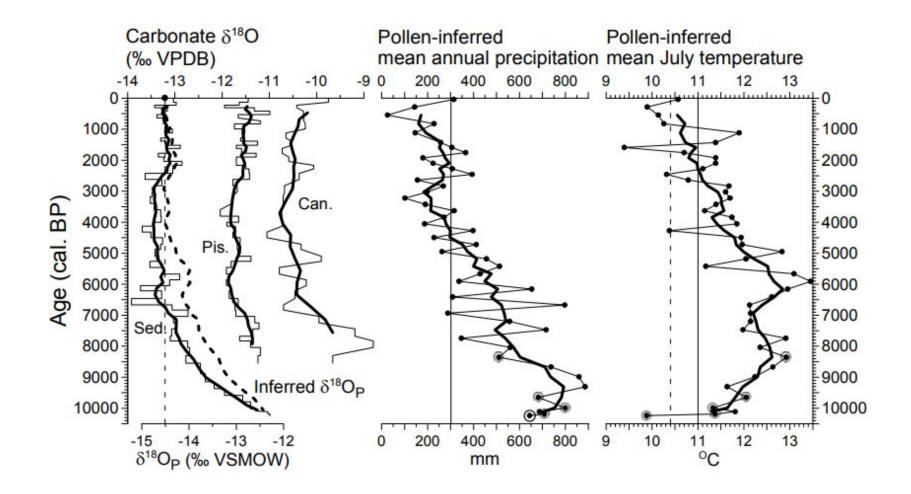
• Candona candida ostracode calcite

• Foraminifera





RECONSTRUCTION BASED ON SEDIMENTS FROM LAKE TIBETANUS, SWEDEN





Thank you for your attention!