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4 **Lake sequence**

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21 **Abstract**

22 The molecular biomarker composition of two sediment cores from Sanabria Lake (NW

23 Iberian Peninsula) and a survey of modern plants in the watershed provide a  
24 reconstruction of past vegetation and landscape dynamics since deglaciation. During a  
25 proglacial stage in Lake Sanabria (prior to 14.7 cal ka BP), very low biomarker  
26 concentration and carbon preference index (CPI) values  $\sim 1$  suggest that the *n*- alkanes  
27 could have derived from eroded ancient sediment sources or older organic matter with  
28 high degree of maturity. During the Late glacial (14.7–11.7 cal ka BP) and the Holocene  
29 (last 11.7 cal ka BP) intervals with higher biomarker and triterpenoid concentrations  
30 (high %*n*C<sub>29</sub>, *n*C<sub>31</sub> alkanes), higher CPI and average carbon length (ACL), and lower  
31 P<sub>aq</sub> (proportion of aquatic plants) are indicative of major contribution of vascular land  
32 plants from a more forested watershed (e.g. Mid Holocene period 7.0–4.0 cal ka BP).  
33 Lower biomar- ker concentrations (high %*n*C<sub>27</sub> alkanes), CPI and ACL values  
34 responded to short phases with decreased allochthonous contribution into the lake that  
35 corre- spond to centennial-scale periods of regional forest decline (e.g. 4–3 ka BP,  
36 Roman deforestation after 2.0 ka, and some phases of the LIA, seventeenth– nineteenth  
37 centuries). Human activities in the watershed were significant during early medieval  
38 times (1.3–1.0 cal ka BP) and since 1960 CE, in both cases associated with relatively  
39 higher productivity stages in the lake (lower biomarker and triterpenoid concentrations,  
40 high %*n*C<sub>23</sub> and %*n*C<sub>31</sub> respectively, lower ACL and CPI values and higher P<sub>aq</sub>). The  
41 lipid composition of Sanabria Lake sediments indicates a major allochthonous  
42 (watershed-derived) contribution to the organic matter budget since deglaciation, and a  
43 dominant oligotrophic status during the lake history. The study constrains the climate  
44 and anthropogenic forcings and watershed versus lake sources in organic matter  
45 accumulation processes and helps to design conservation and management policies in  
46 mountain, oligotrophic lakes.

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49 Lateglacial, Iberian Peninsula

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## 51 **Introduction**

52 The analysis of biomarker compounds has been successfully used to reconstruct past  
53 climate and environmental variability in association with other geochemical and  
54 biological proxies (isotopic and elemental analyses, pollen, macroscopic remains...) in  
55 peat (Ficken et al. 1998; Ortiz et al. 2010a, b) and in lake sediments (Brincat et al. 2000;  
56 Schwark et al. 2002; Ortiz et al. 2013). Whereas bulk organic matter analyses (elemental  
57 or stable composition) give information about general characteristics of sedimentary  
58 organic matter, biological markers found in the lipid fraction of sedimentary organic  
59 matter (OM) provide more detailed information about the source, production and  
60 preservation of OM, and the trophic status of the lakes (Meyers and Ishiwatari 1993;  
61 Meyers 2003). Lipid markers have the advantage that they are characteristic of a specific  
62 biotic source (vascular land plants, aquatic macrophytes, algae and bacteria), and  
63 preserve that information after burial (Rieley et al. 1991; Ficken et al. 1998, 2000).  
64 Epicuticular plant waxes consist mainly of aliphatic compounds of higher molecular  
65 weight (*n*-alkanes, *n*- alkanols, *n*-alkanoic acids) (Eglinton and Hamilton 1967;  
66 Diefendorf et al. 2011; Bush and McInerney 2013). *n*-Alkanes are the most abundant  
67 biomarkers applied to paleolimnological reconstructions because their low  
68 susceptibility to microbial degradation compared with other geolipids (Volkman et al.  
69 1998), although *n*-alkanoic acids and *n*-alkanols have been included in several studies  
70 of lipids in sedimentary records.

71 Sanabria Lake (NW Iberian Peninsula) has proven to be a sensitive area to short-term  
72 climatic shifts during the Late Glacial and the Holocene with a strong control of North

73 Atlantic dynamics (Luque and Julia` 2002; Luque 2003; Julia` and Luque 2006; Julia` et  
74 al. 2007; Giralt et al. 2011; Jambrina-Enr´iquez et al. 2014). Millennial-scale changes  
75 in vegetation cover since deglaciation at a local and regional scales have been described  
76 in several pollen sequences (Allen et al. 1996; Mu˜noz-Sobrino et al. 2004, 2007, 2013;  
77 Julia` et al. 2007). A recent multi-proxy study (sedi- mentology, physical properties,  
78 geochemical compo- sition and diatom assemblages) (Jambrina-Enr´iquez et al. 2014)  
79 reconstructed the evolution of Sanabria Lake and characterized a proglacial stage prior  
80 to 13.9 cal ka BP (unit III), followed by deposition of glaciolacustrine sediments until  
81 11.2 ka BP (unit II) and lacustrine sedimentation afterwards (unit I). Landscape  
82 dynamics during the Holocene were investigated through facies analyses (flood layers)  
83 and geochemical proxies and several phases were identified. In this study, lipid  
84 biomarkers (alkanes, alkanols, alkanoic acids and higher plant biomarkers) were  
85 determined in the same composite sediment sequence of Sanabria Lake (Jambrina-  
86 Enr´iquez et al. 2014) and in modern plants to assess how watershed (climate, sediment  
87 delivery, vegetation evolution, human impact) and lake processes (bioproductivity)  
88 have controlled organic matter deposition in Lake Sanabria since the onset of  
89 deglaciation.

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### 91 **Study site**

92 Sanabria Lake (42°07'30"N, 06°43'00"W; 1000 m a.s.l.) (Fig. 1a) is the largest lake of  
93 glacial origin in the Iberian Peninsula (368 ha). The lake has an elongated morphology  
94 along a W-E direction with two over excavated sub-basins (of 51—eastern- and 45 m—  
95 western- maximum depth) separated by a ridge located 20 m below the water surface  
96 (Vega et al. 2005) (Fig. 1b).

97 The lake is located in an exoreic drainage basin (127.3 km<sup>2</sup>) in the eastern foothill of the

98 Segundera Range (2127 m a.s.l.), closed by a terminal moraine (Vega et al. 2005) (Fig.  
99 1c). The bedrock consists of granitic rocks (*Olo de Sapo* gneis and granodiorite), locally  
100 covered by Quaternary glacial deposits (Rodríguez- Rodríguez et al. 2011) (Fig. 1d). The  
101 Tera River is the main inflow (about 85 % water flow) and the only surface outflow of the  
102 lake, with higher flows between October and April (Giralt et al. 2011). The region has a  
103 continental climate with Atlantic influences (the North Atlantic Oscillation exerts a  
104 strong influence particularly in winter precipitation, Trigo et al. 2004), with annual  
105 precipitation about 1465 mm and mean annual temperature about 10°C (Ribadelago—  
106 1000 m a.s.l.—weather station; data supplied by Vega JC, from the Laboratorio  
107 Limnológico Lago de Sanabria, JCyL). The watershed vegetation consists of shrubs and  
108 pastures in the highplains, a *Quercus pyrenaica* woodland with patches of *Pinus*  
109 *sylvestris* L.—which at present are repopulations—*Juniperus oxycedrus* L., *Taxus*  
110 *baccata* L. and *Ilex aquifolium* L. between 1700 and 1500 m a.s.l., and a *Quercus*  
111 *pyrenaica* forest below 1500 m a.s.l (Vega et al. 1992; Julià et al. 2007). Around the  
112 lake, the vegetation includes *Populus nigra* L., *Alnus glutinosa* (L.) Gaertn, *Fraxinus*  
113 *angustifolia* Vahl. and *Salix salviifolia* Brot. Macrophytes are well developed in the  
114 littoral zone (*Equisetum fluviatile* L., *Potamogeton natans* L., *Utricularia australis* R.  
115 Br., *Myriophyllum alterniflorum* DC., *Isoetes velatum* A. Braun, *Nitella flexilis* (L.)  
116 Agardh, *Eleocharis palustris* (L.) Roem. and Schultes, *Fontinalis antipyretica* Hedw.  
117 and *Carex vesicaria* L. (Vega et al. 1992; García et al. 1992; Julià et al. 2007). Managed  
118 pastures are common in the nearby Ribadelago Nuevo and San Martín de Castañeda  
119 villages (Fig. 1e).

120 Sanabria Lake is a warm, oligotrophic and monomictic lake, thermally stratified  
121 from March/April to November/December. The lake water is calcium-  
122 bicarbonate dominated ( $\text{Ca}^{2+} > \text{Na}^+ > \text{Mg}^{2+} > \text{K}^+$  and  $\text{HCO}_3^- > \text{Cl}^- > \text{SO}_4^{2-}$ ), with

123 very low ion concentration (conductivity between 14.5 and 14.9  $\mu\text{S cm}^{-1}$  and the total  
124 solids dissolved between 7.5 and 13.0  $\text{mg L}^{-1}$ ), slightly acidic (pH between 6.2 and  
125 6.5), and with low alkalinity (average 0.045  $\text{meq L}^{-1}$ ). The water residence time is  
126 about 5–9 months, and the whole water column is oxygenated throughout the year (de  
127 Hoyos 1996). The limnological variability is primarily controlled by fluctuations in the  
128 seasonal precipitation and wind, and the main Atmospheric Circulation Mode associated  
129 with the winter limnological processes are the North Atlantic Oscillation (NAO) and the  
130 Scandinavian (SCAND) patterns modes, whereas only the East Atlantic (EA) mode  
131 weakly influences some processes during the summer (Herna´ndez et al. 2015)

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## 133 **Materials and methods**

### 134 *Modern vegetation sampling*

135 In order to determine the *n*-alkane distributions of possible modern OM sources to  
136 Sanabria Lake sediments, eight plant species were chosen for leaf wax lipid analyses  
137 based on their relatively high abundance in the watershed and on the lakeshore. Samples  
138 of the most common terrestrial species were collected during September 2010: *Quercus*  
139 *pyrenaica* as the dominant tree specie and *Alnus glutinosa* and *Fraxinus angustifolia* as  
140 abundant trees, and shrubs (*Juniperus* spp.) and herbs (*Pteridium aquilinum* (L.) Kuhn)  
141 along the lake margins. Submerged/floating (*Myriophyllum alterniflorum*) and  
142 emergent macrophytes (*Eleocharis palustris*, *Equisetum fluviatile*) were sampled in  
143 June 2010.

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### 145 *Lipid extraction*

146 The Sanabria Lake composite sequence used in this study is composed of a long (8.9  
147 m) (SAN04-3A-1K) and a short (64 cm) core (SAN07-2M) retrieved from the deepest

148 sub-basin (eastern sub-basin,  $Z_{\max} = 51$  m) in 2004 and 2007 respectively (Fig. 1b).  
149 Forty eight sediment samples from core 3A (1-cm-thick sample about every 15 cm) and  
150 twelve samples from core 2M (1- cm-thick sample about every 5-cm) were analyzed.  
151 The selected sixty sediment samples were selected as representatives of the three units  
152 previously defined in the same cores by Jambrina-Enrquez et al. 2014. The chronology  
153 for this sequence is based on 14  $^{14}\text{C}$  AMS dates,  $^{210}\text{Pb}/^{137}\text{Cs}$  techniques and the  
154 identification of the 1959 CE clastic horizon associated with the catastrophic breach of  
155 the Vega de Tera Dam (Jambrina-Enrquez et al. 2014; Fig. 2).  
156 Plant leaf samples were freeze-dried using a cryogenic mill (6770 Freezer/Mill<sup>®</sup>) to  
157 obtain between 0.5 and 1 g of ground leaves. Depending on total organic content, 1–2  
158 g of wet sediment samples were dried, ground and homogenized.  
159 The *n*-alkane, *n*-alkanol and *n*-alkanoic acid identification and quantification were  
160 carried out at the Biomarker laboratory of the Institute for Earth- and Environmental  
161 Sciences at University of Potsdam, Germany. Soluble organic matter in sediment  
162 samples was extracted using an accelerated solvent extractor ASE 350 (Dionex) with  
163 a dichloromethane/methanol mixture (9:1) at 100 °C and 1500 psi for 5 min in 3 cycles.  
164 Lipids from plant leaf samples were extracted in 30 mL 9:1 dichloromethane/methanol  
165 using a sonicator and then the mixture was filtered. The total lipid extracts were  
166 evaporated and redissolved in 1.5 mL *n*-hexane.  
167 After addition of internal standard (5 $\alpha$ -androstane, 5  $\mu\text{g}$ ) the total extract (containing  
168 free lipids) was separated using solid phase extraction (SPE) on a silica gel column  
169 chromatography (2 g silica per column, 0.040–0.063 mesh, Alfa Aesar) previously  
170 cleaned with *n*-hexane into three fractions of different polarity, namely an alkane  
171 fraction (F1, eluted with 20 mL *n*-hexane), an alcohol fraction (F2, 20 mL DCM) and  
172 a alkanolic acid fraction (F3, 15 mL DCM/ MeOH, 2:1). Before SPE, the silica gel was



173 heated to 450 °C for 10 h and deactivated using 5 % w/w of ultrapure water. After  
174 addition of internal standard 5 $\alpha$ -androstane-3 $\beta$ -ol (5  $\mu$ g), F2 and F3 were derivatized by  
175 heating the DCM dissolved fractions at 80 °C for 30 min with the addition of 50  $\mu$ L of  
176 bis-(trimethylsilyl) trifluoroacetamide (BSTFA). The eluent was evaporated to  
177 dryness and re-dissolved DCM.

178 The three fractions were identified and quantified by gas chromatography with a  
179 coupled flame ionisation detection and mass-selective detector (GC–FID/ MSD Agilent  
180 7890A GC-5975C MSD) equipped with a HP–5MS capillary column (29.8 m, ID:  
181 250  $\mu$ m, film thickness 0.25- $\mu$ m). The GC was programmed to an initial temperature of  
182 70 °C for 2 min, a heating rate of 12 °C min<sup>-1</sup> to 140 °C and a final temperature of 320  
183 °C for 15 min, with Helium as the carrier gas. The PTV injector was held at a split ratio  
184 of 5:1 at an initial temperature of 70 °C. With injection, the injector was heated to 300  
185 °C at a programmed rate of 720 °C min<sup>-1</sup> and held at this temperature for 2.5 min.  
186 The compounds were identified by comparison of their retention times and mass spectra  
187 with those of reference compounds. Quantification was based by comparison of peak  
188 areas with those of known quantities of standards: 5 $\alpha$ -androstane (5  $\mu$ g) and 5 $\alpha$ -  
189 androstane-3 $\beta$ -ol (5  $\mu$ g) added to the samples after and before the extraction respectively.  
190 The n-alkane, n-alkanol and n-alkanoic acid concentrations are expressed as lg of  
191 individual compound per gram of dry sample ( $\mu$ g gds<sup>-1</sup>).

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## 193 **Results**

### 194 *Modern vegetation*

195 The biomarker distributions varied slightly between species and showed mainly unimodal  
196 patterns (Table 1). The submerged/floating macrophyte (*Myriophyllum alterniflorum*),  
197 dominated by nC<sub>27</sub>-alkane, shows the lowest n-alkane concentration (8.7  $\mu$ g gds<sup>-1</sup>).

198 Emergent aquatic plants (*Eleocharis palustris*, *Equisetum fluviatile*), shoreline plants  
199 (*Pteridium aquilinum*) and trees (*Alnus glutinosa*, *Fraxinus angustifolia*) were dominated  
200 by nC<sub>29</sub>-alkanes and relatively with low contributions from other chain-length  
201 homologues. *Quercus pyrenaica* and *Juniperus* spp. trees showed the highest n-alkane  
202 concentration (4.2 mg gds<sup>-1</sup> and 3.8 mg gds<sup>-1</sup> respectively) dominating long chain  
203 homologues at nC<sub>31</sub>. Upland terrestrial plants were mainly dominated by nC<sub>18</sub>-alkanoic  
204 acid, and macrophytes and shoreline plants by nC<sub>16</sub> (carbon number maximum—C<sub>max</sub>).  
205 The alkanol distribution does not show a clear pattern.  
206 Biogenic molecular markers including triterpenes and terpenoids were also identified in  
207 the leaf samples. Phytol and phytosterols (i.e. β-sitosterol and lupeol) were identified in  
208 fraction 3 but only β-sitosterol was detected in all samples, although in variable  
209 abundance (Table 1). Ursolic acid (3beta-Hydroxy-Urs-12-en-28-oic acid) was the most  
210 abundant triterpenoid (e.g. *Juniperus*, 9.5 mg gds<sup>-1</sup>, *Fraxinus*, 789.9 μg gds<sup>-1</sup>, *Quercus*,  
211 31.4 μg gds<sup>-1</sup>) while friedelin was identified only in *Quercus* (13.1 μg gds<sup>-1</sup>).

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### 213 ***The Sanabria sequence***

#### 214 *n-Alkane distribution and concentration in lake sediments*

215 n-Alkanes were always dominated by mid- to long carbon chain lengths with a strong  
216 odd/even carbón number preference. The most abundant homologues were  
217 nC<sub>27</sub>+nC<sub>29</sub>+nC<sub>31</sub>+nC<sub>33</sub>, except for one sample at 32 cm depth (3A core), which was  
218 dominated by nC<sub>21</sub>+nC<sub>23</sub>+nC<sub>25</sub>. The lowest concentration was found in unit 3 and 1A  
219 (core 3A), and the highest in subunit 1A (core 2M). Unit 3 mainly shows a unimodal  
220 distribution maximizing at nC<sub>31</sub> except for some samples with peak amounts of nC<sub>22</sub>.  
221 Subunit 2C is characterized by a unimodal distribution maximizing at nC<sub>31</sub>, whereas  
222 subunits 2B and 2A show a unimodal pattern with major variability (nC<sub>27</sub>, nC<sub>29</sub> or nC<sub>31</sub>).

223 Unit 1 was characterized by three different patterns: (1) single peak distribution  
 224 dominated by nC<sub>27</sub> or nC<sub>29</sub> (subunit 1E), (2) double peak distribution dominated by nC<sub>27</sub>  
 225 and nC<sub>31</sub> (subunits 1D and 1C) alternating with a single peaks distribution maximizing at  
 226 nC<sub>27</sub>, nC<sub>29</sub> or nC<sub>31</sub>, and (3) a single peak distribution dominated by nC<sub>31</sub> (subunit 1B).  
 227 Subunit 1A has a relatively high concentration of nC<sub>23</sub> (core 3A) and nC<sub>31</sub> (core 2M)  
 228 (ESM1).

229 To evaluate the distribution of n-alkanes we used the carbon preference index—CPI (1),  
 230 Average Carbon Length—ACL (2) and the Proportion of aquatic plants—P<sub>aq</sub> (3)  
 231 (ESM1):

$$232 \text{ CPI}_{21-33\text{-alkane}} = \frac{\text{odd}\sum[\text{C}_{21-33}]}{\text{even}\sum[\text{C}_{22-32}]} \quad (1)$$

$$233 \text{ ACL}_{21-33} = \frac{\sum(\text{C}_i * [\text{C}_i])}{\sum[\text{C}_i]}. \quad 21 < i < 33. \quad (2)$$

$$234 \text{ P}_{\text{aq}} = \frac{(\text{C}_{23} + \text{C}_{25})}{(\text{C}_{23} + \text{C}_{25} + \text{C}_{29} + \text{C}_{31})} \quad (3)$$

235 The ranges of CPI, ACL and P<sub>aq</sub> vary from 0.9 to 14.0, from 25.4 to 29.8 and from 0.1  
 236 to 0.6, respectively. The highest CPI and ACL, and lowest P<sub>aq</sub> values were mainly  
 237 associated with higher n-alkane concentrations (higher nC<sub>29</sub> or nC<sub>31</sub>); lower CPI and  
 238 ACL, and higher P<sub>aq</sub> values correspond with lower n-alkane concentrations (ESM1).

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#### 240 *n-Alkanols*

241 The distribution of n-alkanols ranges from nC<sub>20</sub> to nC<sub>34</sub> and even carbon numbered  
 242 homologues predominate (ESM2). The total n-alkanol concentration varies between 9.0  
 243 and 584.4 μg gds<sup>-1</sup> with a similar pattern as the total n-alkane content. Lower values occur  
 244 in units 3 (24.6 μg gds<sup>-1</sup> mean value) and 1A (15.4 μg gds<sup>-1</sup> mean value) and higher in  
 245 subunits 1D (55.5 μg gds<sup>-1</sup> mean value) and 2C (60.0 μg gds<sup>-1</sup> mean value). The n-  
 246 alkanols showed a unimodal distribution with a maximum at nC<sub>26</sub>, nC<sub>28</sub>, or nC<sub>30</sub> (nC<sub>28</sub> is  
 247 dominant in units 3, 2 and 1E, and nC<sub>26</sub> in subunits 1B and 1A) and a bimodal distribution  
 248 with maximum at nC<sub>26</sub> and nC<sub>28</sub> (subunits 1E, 1D and 1C) (ESM2). CPI-alkanol (4)

249 varied over a wide range (0.1–80.3) and show major fluctuations in basal units 3 and 2,  
250 whereas similar values occur in unit 1 (ESM2):

$$251 \text{ CPI}_{20-34} = \frac{\text{even}\sum[\text{C}20-34]}{\text{odd}\sum[\text{C}21-33]} \quad (4)$$

252 Higher (lower) values are mainly related to higher (lower) total n-alkanol concentrations.  
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#### 254 *n-Alkanoic acids*

255 The n-alkanoic acid distribution was in the range from C<sub>16</sub> to C<sub>32</sub> with even carbon  
256 numbered compounds predominating over the odd carbon numbered homologues  
257 (ESM2). The total n-alkanoic acid concentration varied between 3.1 and 641.6 μg gds<sup>-1</sup>  
258 and showed a similar pattern as total n-alkane and n-alkanol contents. Lower values  
259 appear in unit 3 (9.2 μg gds<sup>-1</sup> mean value) and higher in subunit 1D (110.7 μg gds<sup>-1</sup> mean  
260 value). The n-alkanoic acid distribution showed a unimodal distribution with maxima at  
261 nC<sub>24</sub>, nC<sub>26</sub> or nC<sub>28</sub> and a bimodal distribution (nC<sub>26</sub>+nC<sub>28</sub>). Unit 3 showed a bimodal  
262 distribution maximizing at nC<sub>22</sub> and nC<sub>24</sub> (ESM2). CPI-acid (5) values ranges from 0.8 to  
263 16.5 (ESM2):

$$264 \text{ CPI}_{16-32} = \frac{\text{even}\sum[\text{C}16-32]}{\text{odd}\sum[\text{C}17-31]} \quad (5)$$

265 Higher (lower) values mainly correspond with the higher (lower) total n-alkanoic  
266 concentrations, with a pattern similar to the CPI-alkanol.

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#### 268 *Triterpenoids: higher plant biomarkers*

269 Several higher plant derived triterpenoids were identified in the sediments, particularly  
270 β-sitosterol in the alkanol fraction, and friedelin and ursolic acid in the alkanolic acid  
271 fraction. The concentration of friedelin, β-sitosterol and ursolic acid ranged from 0.2 to  
272 34.2 μg gds<sup>-1</sup>, from 0.5 to 14.1 μg gds<sup>-1</sup> and from 0.1 to 79.5 μg gds<sup>-1</sup> respectively, with  
273 high total biomarker values in subunit 1D and low in unit 3 and 1A. The highest (lowest)

274 biomarker concentrations coincide with the highest (lowest) values of total nalkane, n-  
275 alkanol and n-alkanoic acid concentrations (ESM1).

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## 277 **Discussion**

### 278 *Biolipids in modern vegetation*

279 Terrestrial upland and shoreline plants can be assumed to be the dominant source of the  
280 more abundant mid/long chain length n-alkane homologues (nC<sub>27</sub>–nC<sub>35</sub>) in the lake  
281 sediments (Table 1, Fig. 3). Although the nC<sub>31</sub>-alkane occurred in high abundance in  
282 *Quercus* and *Juniperus* (higher ACL), it was also found as a secondary component in  
283 *Alnus glutinosa* (lower ACL). nC<sub>27</sub>-Alkane is more abundant in the submerged aquatic  
284 plants *Myriophyllum alterniflorum* (lower ACL). However, both mid- and longer chain  
285 length homologues can be traced to aquatic and terrestrial sources (Fig. 3a). The ACL  
286 values of woody and non-woody plants are similar (Table 1). ACL values for alkanes in  
287 modern plants from around the world reported by Bush and McInerney (2013) and Wang  
288 et al. (2015) do not show a significant difference between these two main types of plants.  
289 Although the fundamental assumption for using ACL as proxy for vegetation dynamics  
290 is that woody plants produce leaf waxes with shorter ACL values than non-woody plants  
291 (Cranwell 1973), considerable caution is necessary in using ACL values as a proxy  
292 indicator of past changes in vegetation, environment and climate since environmental and  
293 plant physiological factors could influence on ACL values (Wang et al. 2015). The long-  
294 chain fatty acid nC<sub>26</sub> was dominant in upland terrestrial plants and nC<sub>28</sub> in macrophytes  
295 and shoreline plants.

296 The nC<sub>30</sub>-alkanoic acid was found in higher abundance in *Juniperus* whereas *Quercus*,  
297 *Fraxinus* and *Alnus* showed higher content of nC<sub>26</sub> (Fig. 3b). The nC<sub>30</sub>-alkanol occurred  
298 in higher values in *Juniperus* and *Fraxinus* whereas nC<sub>28</sub> and nC<sub>26</sub> dominated in *Alnus*

299 and *Quercus* respectively (Fig. 3c). ‘ $\beta$ -sitosterol’, identified in higher abundance in  
300 *Fraxinus*, has been reported as a biomarker of higher plant input and marsh grasses  
301 (Canuel et al. 1997); however, it was also identified in algae and cyanobacteria (Volkman  
302 et al. 1999; Rontani and Volkman 2005). Ursolic acid and friedelin (assumed to be  
303 derived from angiosperms, Simoneit 1986; Otto and Simoneit 2001) were identified in  
304 higher concentrations in *Juniperus* and *Quercus* respectively.

305 *Quercus* woodland is dominant in the drainage area of Sanabria Lake, with local presence  
306 of *Alnus* and *Fraxinus* around the lake, whereas *Juniper* woodland is dominant above  
307 1500 m a.s.l. (Julià et al. 2007), with patches of *Juniperus* in shaded and protected areas.  
308 These data suggest that deciduous *Quercus* and conifer *Juniperus* leaves could be major  
309 contributors of n-alkanes into lake sediments, with a minor influence by *Fraxinus* leaves,  
310 and a negligible input of leaves from *Alnus*.

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### 312 ***The Sanabria Lake biolipid record: environmental and climate implications***

313 The distribution of the different leaf wax n-alkane homologues in the Sanabria Lake  
314 sediments, a comparison with their distribution in present-day vegetation (Fig. 3) and the  
315 information from local pollen sequences (Allen et al. 1996; Muñoz-Sobrino et al. 2004,  
316 2007, 2013; Julià et al. 2007) (Figs. 4, 5), help to reconstruct changes in terrestrial plant  
317 input, with the assumption that the n-alkane distributions of modern plant species are  
318 representative of past plant assemblages (Schwark et al. 2002). However, we have to take  
319 into account that several plant species have similar alkane composition (Eglinton and  
320 Hamilton 1967; Rieley et al. 1991) and that the abundance and/or chain-length  
321 composition of leaf-waxes can change in response to environmental stress or during leaf  
322 ontogeny (Shepherd and Griffiths 2006; van Maarseveen et al. 2009).

323 A number of indices calculated using n-alkane abundance as ACL, Paq, and CPI allow  
324 discrimination of the OM sources in the sediment (Fig. 6). The ACL index responds to  
325 changes in vegetation, but individual plants can also change their n-alkane distributions  
326 as a reaction to temperature and hydrological variations (Sachse et al. 2006; Hoffmann et  
327 al. 2013). The Paq index reflects the relative contribution of emergent (values 0.1–0.4),  
328 submerged/floating aquatic macrophytes (values >0.4) and terrestrial (values <0.1) plants  
329 (Ficken et al. 2000). The n-alkanes from the cuticular wax of higher plants have a strong  
330 odd predominance and CPI values >5 whereas n-alkanes from bacteria and algae have low  
331 CPI values of ca 1 (Cranwell et al. 1987). Degradation of sediment organic matter may  
332 account for systematically changing n-alkane ratios such as the CPI,  $\text{Alk}_{>C_{25}}/\text{Alk}_{<C_{25}}$  and  
333 long-chain n-alkane ratios [LARs:  $C_{27}/(C_{27} + C_{31})$ ,  $C_{29}/(C_{31} + C_{29})$ ,  $C_{27}/(C_{27} + C_{29})$ ]  
334 (Bugge et al. 2010; Zech et al. 2012). High CPI from modern soils and peatbogs results  
335 from slow microbial degradation and diagenesis under cold/dry climate, whereas low CPI  
336 results from higher microbial degradation under warm/wet conditions (e.g. Roñanzas  
337 peatbog-NW Iberia, Ortiz et al. 2010a). However, higher CPI has been evidenced during  
338 warm periods (e.g. Lake Baikal, Brincat et al. 2000), and also a North to South European  
339 transect in lake surface sediments reflects an increase in CPI values from cold to warm  
340 regions (Sachse et al. 2004).

341 Biomarker composition in Sanabria Lake sequence is characterized by higher abundance  
342 of long-chain n-alkanes ( $nC_{27}$ ,  $nC_{29}$ ,  $nC_{31}$ ) with a distinct odd-over even distribution, and  
343 long-chain n-alkanol ( $nC_{20}$ – $nC_{34}$ ) and n-alkanoic acid ( $nC_{26}$ – $nC_{28}$ ), both with a distinct  
344 even-over-odd distribution. This reflects a dominant terrestrial land plant input highly  
345 dependent of sediment delivery and watershed vegetation. Such a biomarker distribution  
346 is typical of oligotrophic freshwater lakes (Cranwell and Volkman 1981; Kawamura and  
347 Ishiwatari 1985). The positive relationship between friedelin,  $\beta$ -sitosterol and ursolic acid

348 concentrations with the total lipid content in the sediment ( $r = 0.83, 0.90$  and  $0.83$   
349 respectively) suggests that intervals of higher biomarker concentrations, higher CPI and  
350 ACL values present greater contributions from vascular plants. Lower biomarker  
351 concentrations and CPI and ACL values occurred in two types of sediment intervals: (1)  
352 short phases with decreased allochthonous contribution into the lake that seem to  
353 correspond to centennial-scale periods of less forested watershed and (2) flood events that  
354 represent rapid deposition dominated by clastic sediments.

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356 In the following section, we compare the biolipid record with local reconstructions of  
357 fluvial activity (last 14 ka, Jambrina-Enríquez et al. 2014), temperature (15.6 and 10.5 cal  
358 ka BP, La Roya, Muñoz-Sobrino et al. 2013), and vegetation dynamics (Allen et al. 1996;  
359 Muñoz-Sobrino et al. 2004, 2007, 2013; Julià et al. 2007). The good correspondence with  
360 other independent reconstructions suggests that biolipid record reflect changes in the  
361 lake-watershed system and not post-depositional processes (Fig. 6).

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363 *A proglacial environment (GS-3-2, prior to 14.6 cal ka BP).*

364 Low total lipid contents and TOC values reveal low OM input and/or greater degradation  
365 of organic compound during deglaciation (unit 3, prior to 14.6 cal ka BP). Depositional  
366 processes were strongly controlled by the melting glaciers, as reflected by the  
367 sedimentation of massive silts with sand pockets with high magnetic susceptibility and  
368 very low organic matter content (Jambrina-Enríquez et al. 2014; Borrueal-Abadía et al.  
369 2015). The low triterpenoid concentrations (friedelin is the only terrestrial biomarker  
370 detected with concentrations below  $2 \text{ lg gds}^{-1}$ ), ACL (25.0–27.0), and Paq index (C0.4)  
371 reflect the presence of OM derived mainly from aquatic plants (Hedges and Prahl 1993).  
372 Low CPI ( $\sim 1$ ) and  $\text{Alk}_{>\text{C}25}/\text{Alk}_{<\text{C}25}$  values, the LAR ratios covarying with the CPI and a



373 unimodal n-alkane distribution maximizing at nC<sub>22</sub> (ESM1), reflects intensive n-alkane  
374 degradation and low production (Fig. 6). Degradation of these lipids is suggested by the  
375 decrease in fatty acid concentrations, more subject to be attacked than are n-alkanes.

376 A recent study of the compound-specific radiocarbon age of plant waxes in lake sediments  
377 showed that biomarkers can have a long residence time in soils (Douglas et al. 2014).  
378 This may lead to the export of terrigenous carbon derived from material of different ages  
379 or compounds originated from eroded ancient sediment sources (Mazurek and Simoneit  
380 1984; Hedges and Prahl 1993; Meyers 2003). Pollen records from nearby sites as Lleguna  
381 (Muñoz-Sobrino et al. 2004, previously named Sanabria marsh by Allen et al. 1996) and  
382 Laguna de las Sanguijuelas (Muñoz-Sobrino et al. 2004) show a steppic landscape. The  
383 increasing upward trend in ACL, total biomarker and organic content, and the change in  
384 the n-alkane distribution (high %nC<sub>31</sub>) could reflect the increase in shrubs and trees in the  
385 watershed as deglaciation progresses around 16.3–15.1 cal ka BP (Muñoz-Sobrino et al.  
386 2004, 2007).

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388 *The GI-1 interstadial (Bølling–Allerød, 14.6–13.0 cal ka BP)*

389 The TOC and biomarker concentration increase indicates higher OM input and/or  
390 improved preservation of organic compounds during the GI-1 interstadial (unit 3 and  
391 subunit 2C, 14.6–13.0 cal ka BP). During this period, the Tera glacier retreated from the  
392 lake basin into higher altitude areas of the watershed, and influenced less the lake  
393 depositional dynamics (Jambrina-Enríquez et al. 2014; Borrueal-Abadía et al. 2015). High  
394 CPI and Alk<sub>>C<sub>25</sub></sub>/Alk<sub><C<sub>25</sub></sub> values and LAR ratios point to minimal microbial degradation  
395 of OM. In spite of an increase in bioproductivity in the lake (Jambrina-Enríquez et al.  
396 2014), the predominant unimodal n-alkane distribution (high %nC<sub>31</sub>), the high ACL  
397 (27.5–29.4) and CPI-alkane values (1.8–9.0) and low Paq index profile (0.1–0.3) suggest

398 that most of the OM deposited in the lake was still of terrestrial origin with low  
399 contribution of aquatic macrophytes (Ficken et al. 2000; Meyers 2003). According to the  
400 distribution of long-chain nalkane in the sediment and comparison with distribution in  
401 present-day vegetation (Fig. 3a), oak and juniper would be expected to be the main  
402 producers of nC<sub>31</sub>-alkane. The predominance of friedelin and bsitosterol concentrations  
403 (terrestrial biomarker from *Quercus*) over ursolic acid concentration (terrestrial  
404 biomarker from *Juniperus*) (Table 1) would point to *Quercus* as the dominant species in  
405 the forest. Local pollen sequences show a large variability of forest composition  
406 depending on altitude (Munñoz-Sobrino et al. 2004, 2007). In the highlands (La Roya),  
407 pine and oak woodlands developed from 14.5 to 12.5 cal ka BP (Muñoz-Sobrino et al.  
408 2013) while *Juniperus* increased in Sanabria marsh with some evidence of *Quercus*  
409 development (Allen et al. 1996) (Fig. 4). However a *Quercus* phase has been identified  
410 in the nearby Laguna de Las Sanguijuelas (ca. 14,000 and 13,600 cal BP) and in Lleguna  
411 (ca. 13,600 and 13,000 cal BP) (Muñoz-Sobrino et al. 2004, 2007) and could correspond  
412 with the friedelin peak (7.2 lg gds<sup>-1</sup>) at ca. 13,300 cal BP.

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414 *GS-1/Younger Dryas-YD (13.0–11.7 cal ka BP)*

415 A significant decrease in total biomarker concentration, terrestrial biomarkers content and  
416 TOC values and changes in biolipid composition (low CPI and Alk<sub>>C25</sub>/Alk<sub><C25</sub> values  
417 and high LAR ratios) indicate changes in the watershed vegetation (reduced forest cover)  
418 and sedimentation patterns (glacier advances) synchronous to GS-1. Low ACL (27.5) and  
419 high Paq (0.3) could suggest an increase in aquatic macrophytes (Ficken et al. 2000). The  
420 atomic C/N values (~15) during the B/A-YD transition (subunit 2B, 13.0–12.4 cal ka BP)  
421 did not show a significant change, pointing to a reduced contribution of terrestrial land  
422 plants (high %nC<sub>27</sub>) (Fig. 4), coherent with pollen records as Laguna de las Sanguijuelas,

423 revealing a landscape characterized by *Artemisia–Graminae* (Muñoz-Sobrino et al.  
424 2004). However, some periods with higher OM from land plants occurred, as the one  
425 recorded at 12.7 cal ka BP. The occurrence of some forest increase phases—pine and oak  
426 woodlands before 12.5 ka in La Roya (Muñoz-Sobrino et al. 2013) and Lleguna (Muñoz-  
427 Sobrino et al. 2007) would fit with the identified intervals with higher total biomarker and  
428 friedelin contents (higher %nC<sub>31</sub>-alkane, longer-chain n-alkanes increase, shorter-  
429 chainalkanes decrease, higher CPI and ACL) (Figs. 4, 6). Considering the modern plant  
430 n-alkane and n-alkanol distributions, alder (*Alnus glutinosa*) could have been responsible  
431 for the high relative abundances of nC<sub>27</sub>-alkane (and nC<sub>31</sub>) and nC<sub>28</sub>-alkanol before 12.4  
432 cal ka BP, and oak (*Quercus*) for the high relative abundances of nC<sub>31</sub>-alkane, friedelin  
433 and β-sitosterol at 12.7 cal ka BP.

434 During the YD-Holocene transition (subunit 2A, 12.4–11.7 cal ka BP), decreasing C/N  
435 atomic ratio (C/N = 8–11), increasing biogenic silica content (BioSi = 10 %) and a plant  
436 community characterized by abundant submerged aquatic plants (*Cyperaceae*,  
437 *Myriophyllum*, *Potamogeton* and *Nymphaea*) recorded in Lleguna (Muñoz-Sobrino et al.  
438 2004) support a dominant aquatic component in organic matter (high %nC<sub>27</sub>, low ACL  
439 and high Paq). These biolipid changes suggest some centennial-scale variability in the  
440 watershed-lake system (run-off and/or vegetation cover) in response to changing  
441 hydrology. Although the age-resolution of the Sanabria record is relatively low, these  
442 internal changes in biomarker composition are coherent with the two-phase internal  
443 structure of the Younger Dryas documented in northern (Bakke et al. 2009; Lane et al.  
444 2013) and in southern (Bartolomé et al. 2015) Europe.

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446 *The Early Holocene (11.7–7.5 cal ka BP)*

447 The predominant n-alkane chain (C<sub>29</sub>), ACL (29.1), CPI (>9.7) and Paq (0.1) values point  
448 to higher terrestrial and shoreline species compared to algal input until 11.2 cal ka BP  
449 (subunit 2A) and less terrigenous plant input (high %nC<sub>27</sub>, ACL = 27.6, CPI = 6.5, Paq =  
450 0.3) between 11.2 and 10.1 cal ka BP (subunit 1E) (Eglinton and Hamilton 1967; Ficken  
451 et al. 2000) (Figs. 4, 6). Warmer and wetter conditions are interpreted from the nearby  
452 pollen sequences—Lleguna and Laguna de las Sanguijuelas—as tree pollen increased  
453 between 11.8 and 10.2 cal ka BP (Muñoz-Sobrino et al. 2004, 2007).

454 After this initial phase of forest expansion at the Holocene onset, local records show a  
455 decrease in tree pollen (Sanabria marsh, Allen et al. 1996), Lleguna and Laguna de las  
456 Sanguijuelas (Muñoz-Sobrino et al. 2004, 2007) and an increase of clastic sediment  
457 delivery to the lake (Jambrina-Enríquez et al. 2014) (Figs. 4, 6). During the 10–9 cal ka  
458 BP period the total lipid concentration decreased, associated with a decline of longer-  
459 chain alkanes (high %nC<sub>27</sub>). The apparent dominance of aquatic vegetation as suggested  
460 by the relatively higher Paq and lower ACL is likely a result of the reduction of terrestrial  
461 forest vegetation and OM input. This episode of increased river input shows slightly  
462 lower values of Alk<sub>>C<sub>25</sub></sub>/Alk<sub><C<sub>25</sub></sub> ratio whereas the LAR values are higher.

463 After 9.1 ka (subunit 1E), biomarker content increased (high %nC<sub>29</sub> and nC<sub>31</sub>), high CPI  
464 and ACL, and low Paq, suggesting a rapid recovery of the abundance of land plants (Fig.  
465 6) during a period still dominated by relatively higher clastic input to the lake. Based on  
466 modern plant biomarker distribution and pollen sequences, a plant community with  
467 abundant *Quercus*, *Alnus* and *Fraxinus* would be expected to produce high relative  
468 abundances of nC<sub>29</sub> and nC<sub>31</sub>-alkanes, nC<sub>28</sub> and nC<sub>30</sub>-alkanols, and nC<sub>26</sub>-alkanoic acid  
469 (Fig. 3a).

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471 *Mid Holocene (7.5–3.7 cal ka BP)*

472 This period (corresponding to subunits 1E, 1D and 1C) has the highest biomarker  
473 concentrations (357.7–542.7  $\mu\text{g gds}^{-1}$ ) in the whole sequence (except for a short event in  
474 the sixteenth century) (Fig. 4). The relatively high C/N atomic ratio (C/N 13–15), the  
475 dominance of  $\sum n\text{-C}_{27,29,31}$  alkanes and high triterpenoid concentrations (friedelin and  
476 ursolic acid are abundant), higher  $\text{Alk}_{>\text{C}25}/\text{Alk}_{<\text{C}25}$ , ACL (~29), CPI (8–9) and lower  
477 Paq (0.1) values reveal a dominant allochthonous (terrestrial plants) OM source (Fig. 6).  
478 This is consistent with the maximum regional forest development during the Mid  
479 Holocene (Allen et al. 1996; Muñoz-Sobrino et al. 2004). Lleguna and Laguna de las  
480 Sanguijuelas sequences recorded high tree pollen content (~90 %), mixed pine/oak  
481 formations, and increasing warmth-demanding taxa (Muñoz-Sobrino et al. 2004).  
482 Compared with modern plant biomarker distribution, the mid Holocene plant community  
483 would be consistent with abundant *Quercus*, *Fraxinus* and *Alnus* (Fig. 3).  
484 Clastic flood layers (Jambrina-Enrriquez et al. 2014) are characterized by low biomarker  
485 concentrations—at 7.5 ka (117.5  $\mu\text{g gds}^{-1}$ ), 5.7 ka (103.4  $\mu\text{g gds}^{-1}$ ) and 4.7 ka (91–96  $\mu\text{g}$   
486  $\text{gds}^{-1}$ )—less abundant longer-chain alkanes (higher % $n\text{C}_{27}$ -alkane), low CPI (4–5) and  
487 ACL (~27) and high Paq (0.3–0.4) (Figs. 4, 6). Plant waxes occurring within flood layers  
488 may be the result of a mixture of waxes derived from soils (terrigenous carbon, e.g. pre-  
489 aged vascular-plant-derived with residence times of decades to centuries) and primary  
490 productivity. Although it is generally assumed that the different components of a  
491 sediment horizon are contemporaneous, dated leaf waxes have produced variably older  
492 ages than the sediments as substantial contributions of eroded soil from the catchment  
493 may dilute the primary production (Douglas et al. 2014).  
494 Although several oscillations in the abundance of Cyperaceae pollen record short phases  
495 of inundation and recovery in Lleguna (Muñoz-Sobrino et al. 2004), we argue that the

496 observed fluctuations respond to changes in the Tera River delivery more than to changes  
497 in the relative development of littoral lake environment (Jambrina-Enrriquez et al. 2014).

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499 *The Late Holocene (3.7–1.0 cal ka BP)*

500 Biomarker and triterpenoid concentrations decreased along this period (subunit 1C, 1B  
501 and 1A) consistent with the regional forest retreat in northwest Iberia since ca. 4000 cal  
502 BP, due to a combination of anthropogenic impact (e.g. forest burning for pastures or  
503 agriculture) (Allen et al. 1996; Muñoz-Sobrino et al. 2004) and climatic factors (Muñoz-  
504 Sobrino et al. 2009; Jambrina-Enrriquez et al. 2014). The low abundances of mid and long-  
505 chain n-alkanes (high %nC<sub>31</sub>) and ACL (~28), CPI (5–6) and Paq (0.2–0.3) values (Fig.  
506 4) indicate a mixed input of terrigenous and aquatic plants. The C<sub>27</sub>/(C<sub>27</sub> + C<sub>31</sub>), C<sub>29</sub>/(C<sub>31</sub>  
507 + C<sub>29</sub>) ratios and the CPI show high correlation coefficient (r = 0.7). Atomic C/N values  
508 (14–15) and TOC (10 %) are higher except during the 3.7–3.0 cal ka BP period (C/N =  
509 11–12; TOC = ~5 %) with higher river input and clastic sediment delivery to the lake  
510 (Jambrina-Enrriquez et al. 2014) (Fig. 6).

511 Intervals of relatively higher biomarker concentrations around 3.0 (219.75 µg gds<sup>-1</sup>) and  
512 2.0 cal ka BP (366.83 µg gds<sup>-1</sup>) with high CPI (~6) and ACL (28–29) (high %nC<sub>31</sub>-alkane)  
513 and low Paq (0.1–0.2) represent periods with higher allochthonous OM input to the lake  
514 (Figs. 4, 6). Both, modern plant biomarker distribution and pollen records from Sanabria  
515 Lake (Luque 2003; Julià et al. 2007) suggest a Late Holocene plant community with  
516 abundant *Quercus and Alnus* (Fig. 3). The 3.0 phase correlates with higher magnetic  
517 susceptibility values indicative of higher sediment delivery (run off or early deforestation)  
518 (Jambrina-Enrriquez et al. 2014). Interestingly, the 2.0 cal ka BP interval shows lower  
519 magnetic susceptibility values (Jambrina-Enrriquez et al. 2014) suggestive of a lower

520 Roman impact on the landscape, consistent with the absence of a stable and continued  
521 Roman settlement in this area (Guijarro-Menéndez 2012).  
522 Particularly interesting is the decrease in the absolute abundance of long-chain n-alkanes  
523 and the increase in the relative abundance of mid chain nalkanes (high %nC<sub>23</sub>) at 1.1 cal  
524 ka BP (subunit 1A). Relatively higher C/N atomic ratios (C/N = 14–15) are indicative of  
525 stronger terrestrial organic matter input but the lower biomarker and triterpenoid  
526 concentrations, ACL (25) and CPI (2.5) values and the higher Paq (0.5) values reflect the  
527 development of a more abundant and widespread community of aquatic plants (higher  
528 contribution from submerged floating macrophytes) (Fig. 4). This is consistent with a  
529 more productive lacustrine ecosystem (Julià et al. 2007; Jambrina-Enríquez et al. 2014)  
530 and higher percentages of aquatic pollen (Allen et al. 1996; Julià et al. 2007) (Fig. 6). A  
531 stronger anthropic influence during this period is suspected, as it corresponds with the  
532 foundation of the San Juan Bautista monastery in Ribadelago village and likely, the use  
533 of the riparian areas of the Tera River for farming and grazing activities, particularly  
534 during the eighth and ninth centuries (Guijarro-Menéndez 2012).

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#### 536 *The Little Ice Age and the recent changes (1520–2004 CE)*

537 The 1520–1600 CE period (base of 2M short core) corresponds to deposition of organic-  
538 and biogenic silica—rich silts with abundant long-chain n-alkanes (high %nC<sub>31</sub>) and  
539 lower mid-chain n-alkanes and the highest Holocene biomarker concentration (200–1500  
540 lg gds<sup>-1</sup>) (Figs. 5, 6). The high ACL (29–30) and CPI (9–14), and low Paq (0.1) suggest  
541 higher contribution from terrestrial plants. Based on modern plant biomarker  
542 distributions, a plant community with abundant *Quercus*, *Alnus* and *Fraxinus* would be  
543 expected to produce the observed high abundances of triterpenoids (Fig. 3). This is

544 consistent with the forest recovery documented in Sanabria Lake during the late  
545 sixteenth—early seventeenth centuries (Julià et al. 2007).

546 The decrease of biomarker concentrations (lower long and mid-chain n-alkanes, high  
547 %nC<sub>31</sub>), relatively lower ACL (28) and CPI (6), and higher Paq (0.2) values from ca. CE  
548 1600 to 1760 corresponds to an interval with higher clastic sediment delivery into the  
549 lake, possibly associated with increased run-off and rainfall during the Little Ice Age  
550 (Luque 2003; Julià and Luque 2006; Julià et al. 2007; Jambrina-Enríquez et al. 2014) and  
551 suggest a decline in terrestrial shoreline species and aquatic plants. The decreasing trend  
552 in arboreal pollen from ca. CE 1600 to 1900 (Julia` et al. 2007) is also paralleled by the  
553 n-alkane indices.

554 The clastic layer deposited during the flash flood after the Tera River dam collapse in CE  
555 1959 shows higher total lipid (about 300 µg gds<sup>-1</sup>) and terrestrial biomarker content,  
556 relatively high CPI (6–7) and ACL (28–29) values (high %nC<sub>31</sub>-alkane) and lower Paq  
557 (0.2–0.1) (Fig. 5). Contrary to all previous Holocene flood layers, this is the only clastic  
558 layer with higher detrital and higher lipid contents, and reflects the different nature of the  
559 depositional processes. The catastrophic flash flood incorporated a much larger amount  
560 of fine organic-rich sediments stored behind the dam and also from areas in the watershed  
561 usually not affected by natural floods.

562 After 1959 CE the total biomarker and terrestrial biomarker concentration and long chain  
563 n-alkanes decreased (high %nC<sub>31</sub>-alkane) whereas the organic content increased. High  
564 Paq (0.3), low CPI (4.1) and ACL (27.6) suggest higher contribution of aquatic plants  
565 over terrestrial plants, consistent with a small decrease in C/N atomic ratio, and an  
566 increase in lake bioproductivity (Jambrina-Enríquez et al. 2014). The human impact and  
567 increased fires in the watershed from the 1990 had likely an impact on sediment and  
568 nutrient delivery to the lake. Although tripernoid concentrations were low (ursolic acid



569 and friedelin are dominant,  $\beta$ -sitosterol has been not detected, probably below detection  
570 limits) (Fig. 5), their presence could reflect the documented recuperation of the *Quercus*  
571 forest during the last decades (Juliá et al. 2007) and also the higher contribution by  
572 shoreline trees as *Alnus* (Fig. 3).

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## 574 **Conclusions**

575 Changes in the sedimentary n-alkane distribution and terrestrial biomarkers in Sanabria  
576 Lake sequence were driven by variable inputs from terrestrial upland plant sources in  
577 response primarily to changes in sediment delivery and watershed vegetation and  
578 secondarily to lake processes. Lipid distributions indicate a major contribution of  
579 allochthonous inputs to the sedimentary OM since deglaciation. During the proglacial  
580 stage (prior to 14.7 cal ka BP), clastic sediments with low OM content show the lowest  
581 biomarker concentration and CPI values, and indicate that the n-alkanes could have been  
582 derived from older sediment sources and older organic matter with high degree of  
583 maturity.

584 During the Late Glacial and the Holocene, intervals with higher biomarker concentration  
585 (high %n<sub>C29</sub>, n<sub>C31</sub>-alkanes) correspond to organic oozes and organic-rich silty layers. The  
586 highest CPI and ACL, and lowest Paq, the higher content of specific higher plants  
587 biomarkers and the positive relationship with long carbon chain n-alkane, n-alkanol and  
588 n-alkanoic acid content in the sediment indicate a major contribution of vascular land  
589 plants, and reflect periods of better conditions for forest development. The maximum  
590 forest development (Mid Holocene) is characterized by three intervals of higher  
591 biomarker and triterpenoids concentrations at ca. 7000–6200, 5600–5000, 4500–4000 cal  
592 BP, correlated with increasing presence of warmth-demanding taxa. Periods of lower  
593 biomarker concentration (high %n<sub>C27</sub>, n<sub>C31</sub>-alkanes), CPI and ACL values and higher

594 Paq index, reflect the synergetic effects of lower forest development in the watershed and  
595 higher dilution of the OM content in the sediment due to the greater clastic input from the  
596 Tera River (Mid Holocene events, Roman deforestation). However, during the Late  
597 Holocene, some periods of lower biomarker (nC<sub>23</sub>, nC<sub>31</sub>-alkanes) and triterpenoid  
598 concentrations in organic silts correspond with periods of higher lake bioproductivity  
599 (1.3–1.0 cal ka BP and from 1960 CE to recent times) and are interpreted as higher  
600 anthropic pressure in the lake system.

601 The integration of biomarkers and especially nalkane indices in the Sanabria sediments,  
602 geochemical and sedimentological proxies, pollen records and biomarkers from modern  
603 plants improves our reconstructions of past environmental changes and helps to evaluate  
604 the relative significance of climate and anthropogenic forcings and watershed versus lake  
605 processes.

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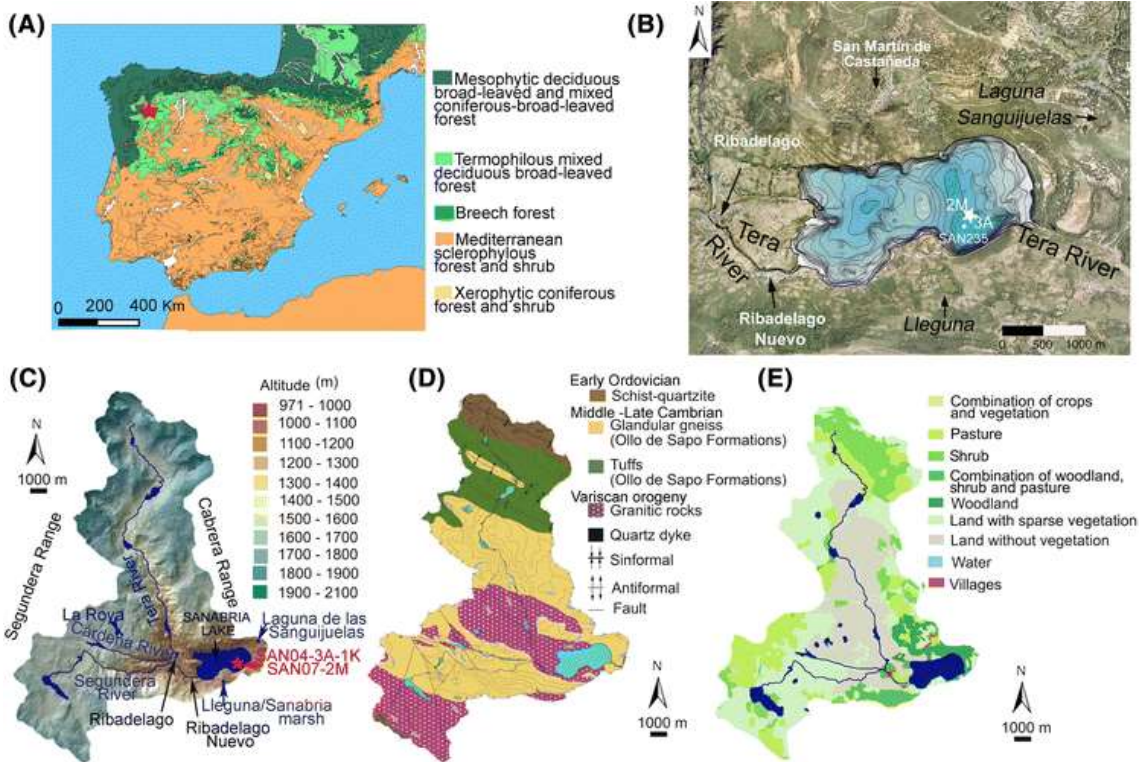
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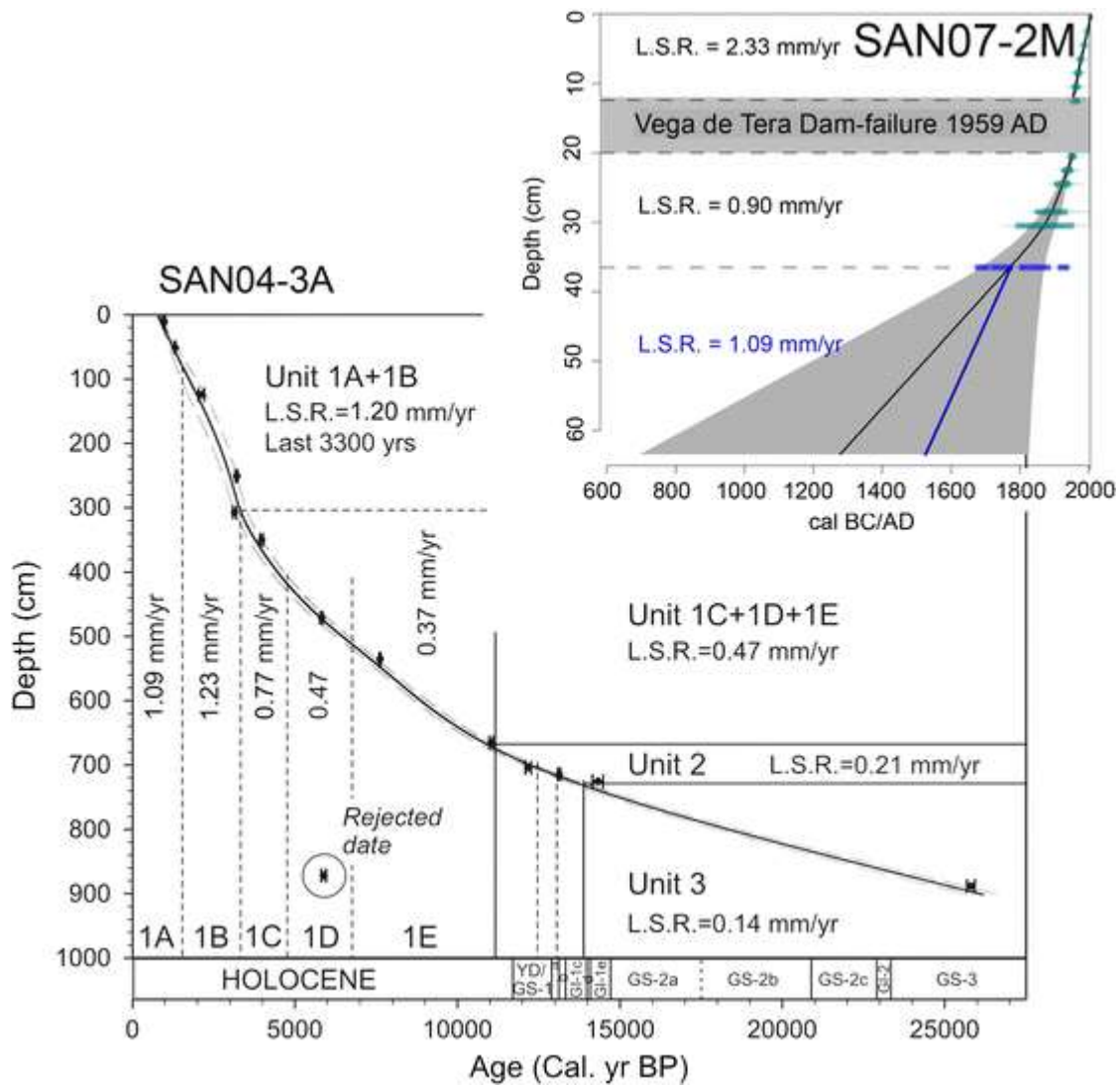
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853 Fig. 1 **a** Vegetation biomes in Iberian Peninsula (Bohn et al. 2002, 2003); **b** bathymetric  
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 855 (SAN07-2M) cores in the eastern sub basin ( $Z_{max} = 51$  m) (this study) and SAN235 core  
 856 (Julià et al. 2007); **c** elevation map of Sanabria Lake basin (modified from  
 857 [www.idecyl.jcyl.es](http://www.idecyl.jcyl.es)) showing the location of 3A and 2M cores (*red star*) and the nearby  
 858 records: *Lowlands*: Lleguna—Muñoz-Sobrino et al. 2004, previously named Sanabria  
 859 marsh—Allen et al. 1996, and Laguna de Sanguijuelas—Muñoz-Sobrino et al. 2004, and  
 860 *highlands*: Laguna La Roya (Muñoz-Sobrino et al. 2013); **d** geological map (modified  
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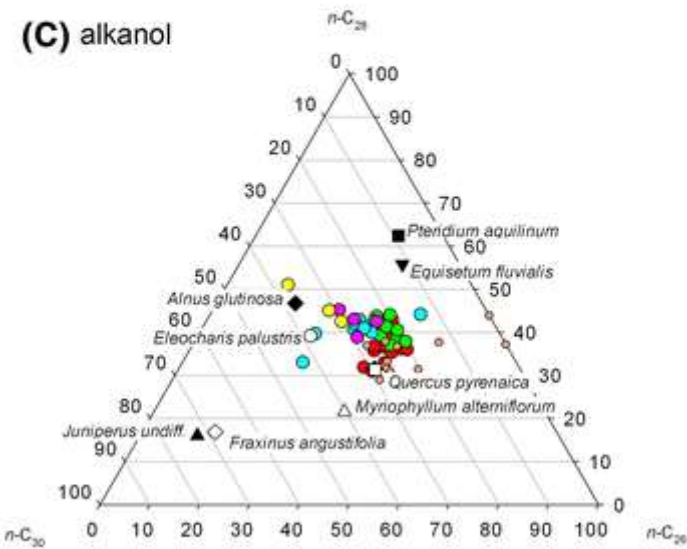
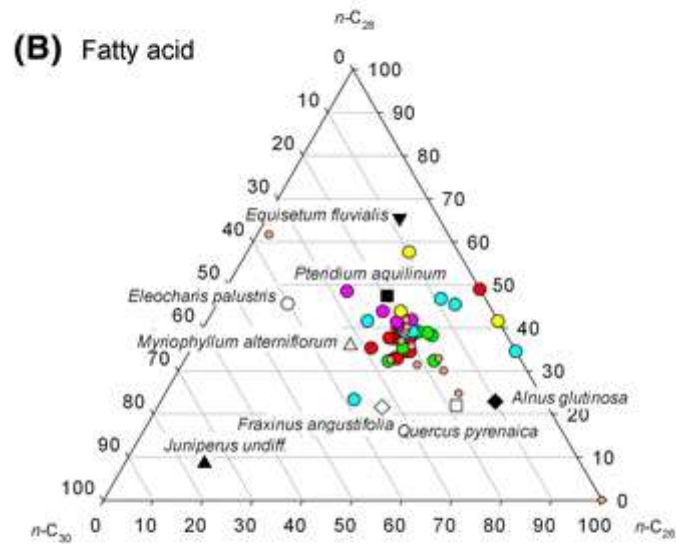
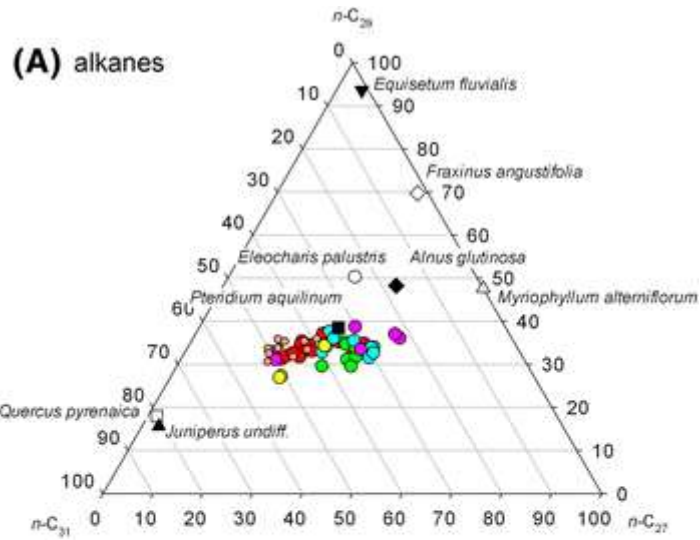
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864 Fig. 2 Depth-age model and sedimentation rates for Sanabria sequence (from Jambrina-Enríquez  
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 866 function (Heegaard et al. 2005) of 13 AMS  $^{14}\text{C}$  dates (*black dots*) and spans from 26 cal ka BP to  
 867 800 cal a BP (extrapolated age). The *continuous line* represents the age-depth function framed by  
 868 dashes lines (*error lines*). Linear sedimentation rates (L.S.R.) for sedimentary units separated by  
 869 *vertical dotted lines* is also indicated. The chronological model for the uppermost sediments of  
 870 the Sanabria sequence (short core SAN07-2M) is based on  $^{210}\text{Pb}$  essays (constant rate of supply  
 871 model, *green horizontal line*) and 1 AMS  $^{14}\text{C}$  data at 36.5 cm (*blue horizontal line*). The  
 872 chronology of the upper 36.5 cm spans between 2005 CE and 1770 CE. The chronology for lower  
 873 half (36.5–63.5 cm) was constructed using linear accumulation rates and assuming the same

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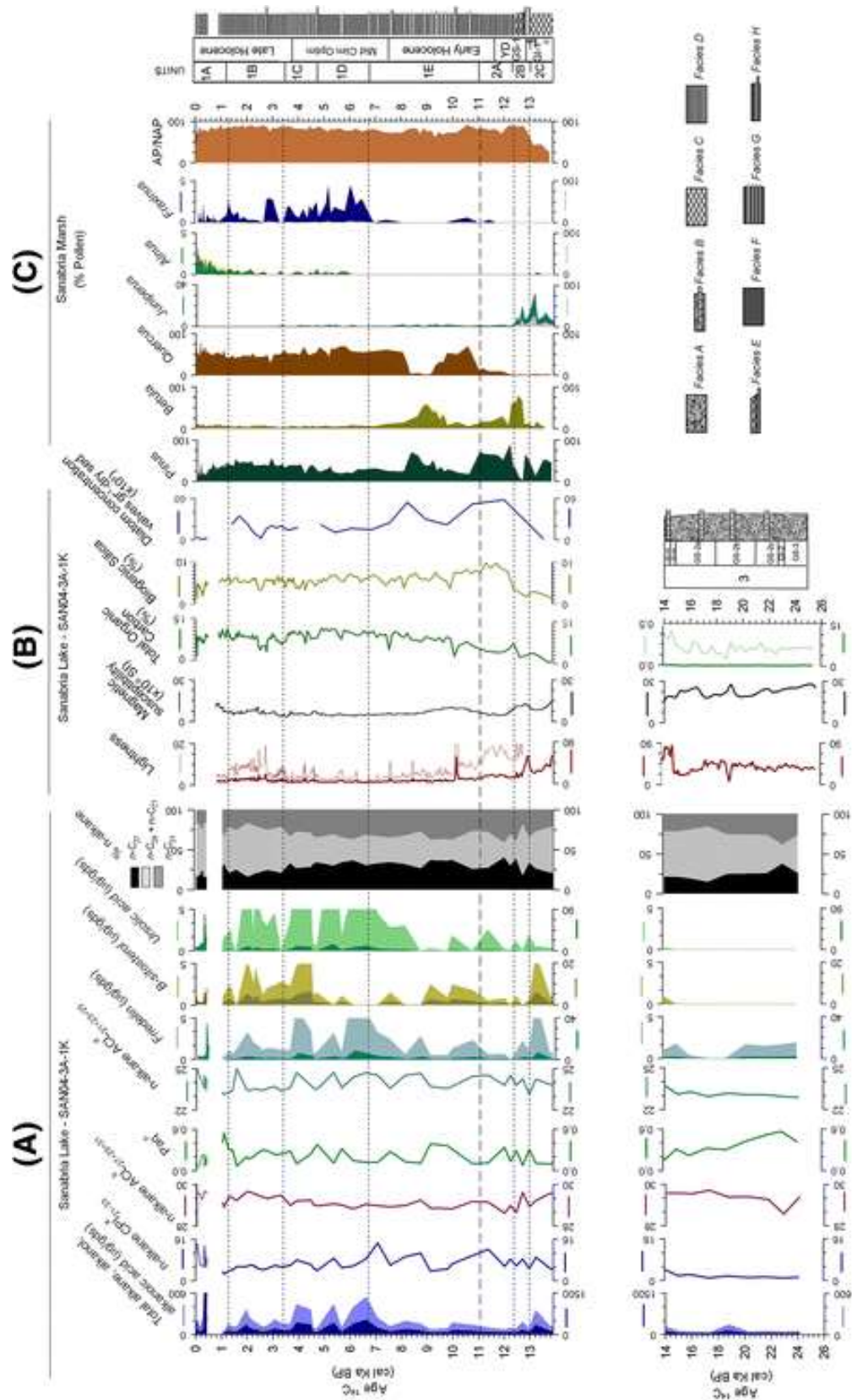
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- Recent times (1520-2005 AD)
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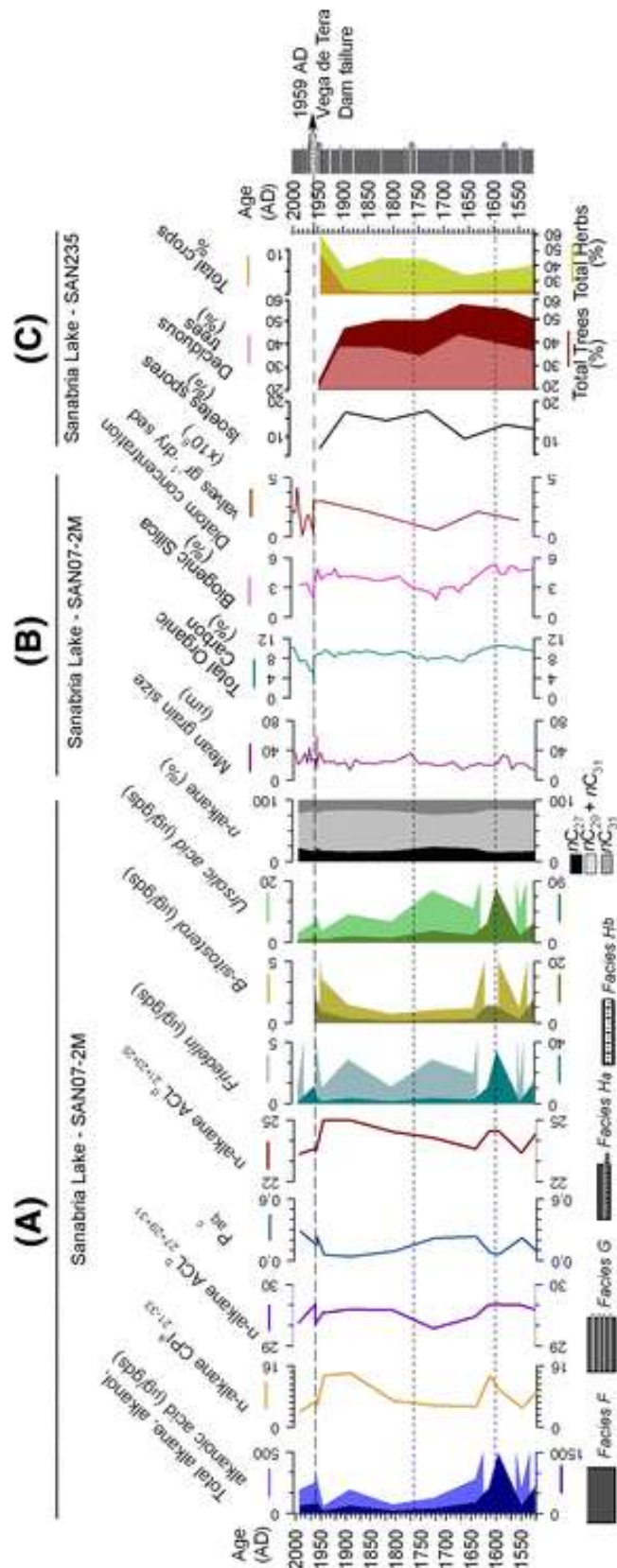
878 Fig. 3 Ternary diagrams with the distribution of long-chain **(a)** *n*-alkane ( $nC_{27}$ ,  $nC_{29}$ ,  $nC_{31}$ ), **(b)**  
879 *n*-alkanoic acid ( $nC_{26}$ ,  $nC_{28}$ ,  $nC_{30}$ ) and **(c)** *n*-alkanol ( $nC_{26}$ ,  $nC_{28}$ ,  $nC_{30}$ ) in modern plants and  
880 sediment samples  
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883 Fig. 4 Relationship of **a** biomarker components (this study), and **b** geochemical proxies  
 884 (Jambrina-Enríguez et al. 2014) against extrapolated data (cores SAN04-3A and SAN07-2M);  
 885 and **c** summarized pollen diagram from Sanabria marsh (Allen et al. 1996). **a** CPI<sub>21-33</sub>-

886  $\text{alkane:odd}\sum[\text{C}_{21-33}]/\text{even}\sum[\text{C}_{22-32}]$ , **b**  $\text{ACL}_{27+29+31}:\sum(\text{C}_i * [\text{C}_i])/\sum[\text{C}_i]$ .  $i = 27, 29, 31$ . **c**  
887  $\text{P}_{\text{aq}}:(\text{C}_{23} + \text{C}_{25})/(\text{C}_{23+25+29+31})$ , **d**  $\text{ACL}_{21+23+25}:\sum(\text{C}_i * [\text{C}_i])/\sum[\text{C}_i]$ .  $i = 21, 23, 25$ . Facies (further  
888 details are reported by Jambrina-Enrquez et al. 2014): *Facies A* and *B*: light grey sand and silt  
889 layers with the lowest organic content of the whole sequence, *Facies C*: organic dark gray silts,  
890 *Facies E*: grey fine sand and fine silts, *Facies D*: faintly laminated, *very dark grayish brown*  
891 organic-rich silts. *Facies F*: massive, dark organic ooze to fine organic-rich silts with intercalated  
892 thin clastic layers (*Facies G*, massive silts with variable organic content and *Facies H*, sandy  
893 layers with lower organic content). (Color figure online)  
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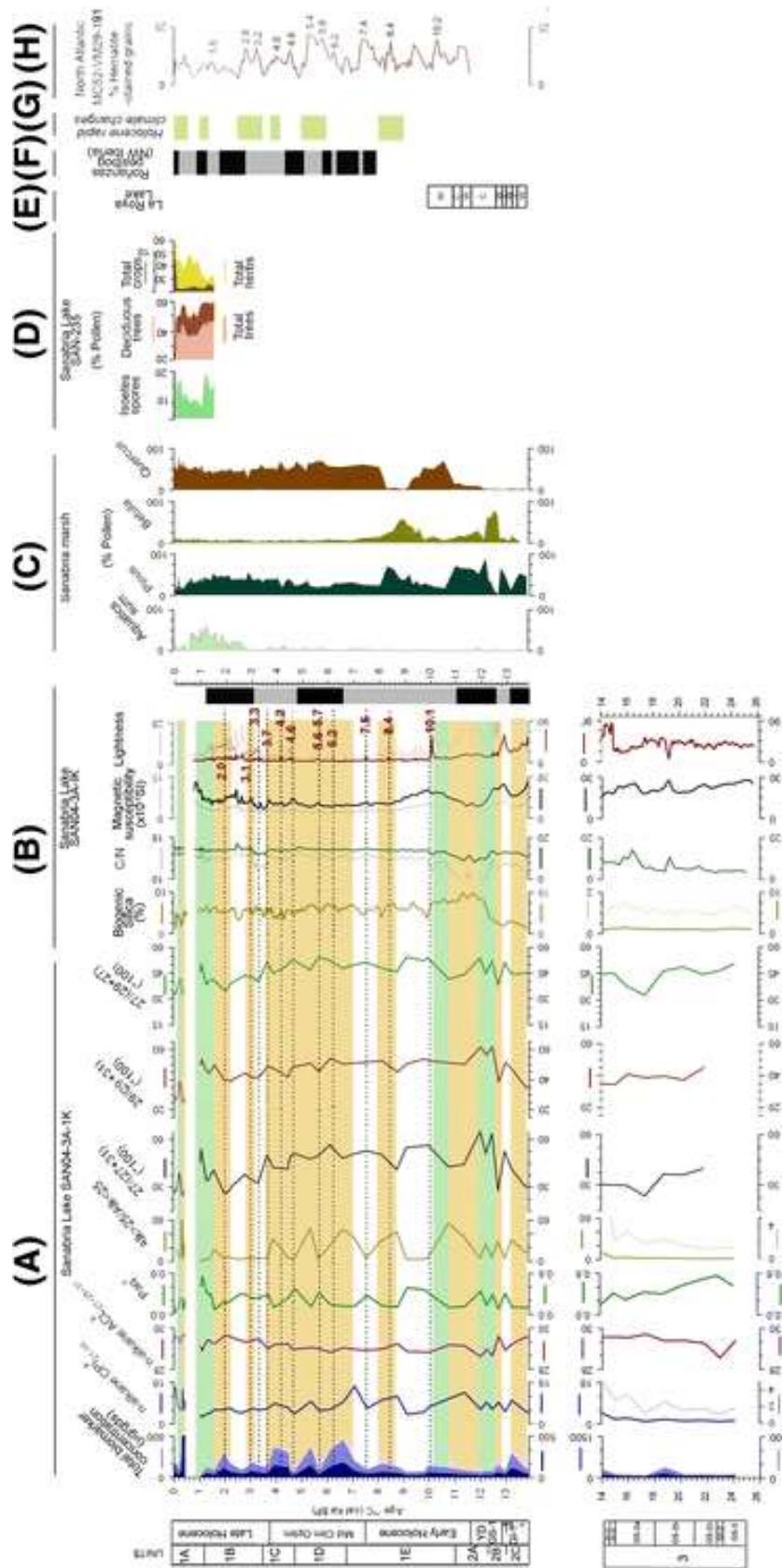
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896 Fig. 5. The last 500 years in the Sanabria sequence. Compilation of data from core SAN07-2M:

897 (a) biomarker (this study), b geochemical proxies (Jambrina-Enríguez et al. 2014); c summarized

898 pollen diagram from Sanabria Lake (SAN235) (Julià et al.2007). a  $CPI_{21-33-alkane:odd} \sum [C_{21-}$

899  $33]/\text{even}\sum[C_{22-32}]$ , **b**  $ACL_{27+29+31}:\sum(C_i * [C_i])/\sum[C_i]$ .  $i = 27, 29, 31$ . **c**  
900  $P_{aq}:(C_{23} + C_{25})/(C_{23+25+29+31})$ , **d**  $ACL_{21+23+25}:\sum(C_i * [C_i])/\sum[C_i]$ .  $i = 21, 23, 25$ . Facies (further  
901 details are reported by Jambrina-Enrquez et al. 2014): Facies F: massive, dark organic ooze to  
902 fine organic-rich silts with intercalated thin clastic layers (Facies G, massive silts with variable  
903 organic content; Facies Ha, sandy layers with lower organic content and Facies Hb, prominent  
904 coarse-grained layer deposited after the Tera River Dam failure in 1959 CE)  
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907 Fig. 6 Comparison of the Sanabria biomarker records with local and regional

908 palaeoenvironmental reconstructions since deglaciation. **a** Total biomarker concentration, *n*-

909 alkane-CPI and ACL,  $P_{aq}$ ,  $Alk > C25/Alk < C25$  and long-chain n-alkane ratios [LARs:  
910  $C27/(C27 + C31)$ ,  $C29/(C31 + C29)$ ,  $C27/(C27 + C29)$ ] **a**  $CPI_{21-33-alkane} = \frac{\sum[C21-33]}{\sum[C22-32]}$ ,  
911 **b**  $ACL_{27+29+31} = \frac{\sum(C_i * [C_i])}{\sum[C_i]}$ ,  $i = 27, 29, 31$ . **c**  
912  $P_{aq} = \frac{(C_{23} + C_{25})}{(C_{23+25+29+31})}$ . The *brown bands* indicate warmer (a may be wetter) periods and  
913 more forested watershed. The *green band* indicates higher biproductivity periods; **b** compilation  
914 of sedimentological and geochemical data from 3A and 2M cores, and main humid (*grey*) and dry  
915 (*black*) episodes (Jambrina-Enrquez et al. 2014); **c** summarized pollen diagram from Sanabria  
916 marsh (Allen et al. 1996) also known as Lleguna site (Muoz-Sobrino et al.2004); **d** summarized  
917 pollen diagram from Sanabria Lake (the last 1500 years, SAN-235) (Juli et al. 2007); **e**  
918 Chironomid-inferred July air temperatures from La Roya Lake (Muoz-Sobrino et al. 2013)—*w*  
919 warm, *c* cold; (F) Humid (*grey*) and dry (*black*) episodes based on the biomarker content from  
920 Roanzas peatbog (Ortiz et al. 2010a); **g** Holocene rapid climate changes from Mayewski et al.  
921 2004; **h** hematite stained grains percentage (%HSG) at North Atlantic core VM 29-191 (Bond et  
922 al.1997)  
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**ESM1.** Description of sediment samples (depth, extrapolated age), *n*-alkane distribution in terms of range of chain length (C range), Most abundant (C max), Total alkane concentration ( $\mu\text{g}$  per gram of dry sample -  $\mu\text{g gds}^{-1}$ ), Carbon preference index (CPI), proportion of aquatic plants (Paq), Average chain length (ACL). Total lipid concentration (*n*-alkane, *n*-alkanol and *n*-alkanoic acid) ( $\mu\text{g gds}^{-1}$ ), higher plants biomarkers (Friedelin, B-sitosterol and ursolic acid) ( $\mu\text{g gds}^{-1}$ ). (a)  $\text{CPI}_{21-33} = \frac{\text{odd}\sum[\text{C}_{21-33}]}{\text{even}\sum[\text{C}_{22-32}]}$ , (b)  $\text{Paq} = \frac{\text{C}_{23} + \text{C}_{25}}{\text{C}_{23} + \text{C}_{25} + \text{C}_{29} + \text{C}_{31}}$ , (c)  $\text{ACL}_{21-33} = \frac{\sum(\text{C}_i * [\text{C}_i])}{\sum[\text{C}_i]}$ .  $21 < i < 33$

| SAN07-2M - <i>n</i> -alkanes   |            |                |                                  |                                  |  |  |  |                        |                |                        |  |                                      |   |   |     |
|--------------------------------|------------|----------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|--|--|------------------------|----------------|------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|---|---|-----|
| Unit                           | Depth (cm) | Age (AD)       | C range                          | C max                            | Total Alkanes ( $\mu\text{g gds}^{-1}$ ) | $n\text{C}_{21} + n\text{C}_{23} + n\text{C}_{25}$ | $n\text{C}_{27} + n\text{C}_{29} + n\text{C}_{31}$ | $\text{CPI}_{21-33}^a$ | $\text{Paq}^b$ | $\text{ACL}_{21-33}^c$ | Total Lipid ( $\mu\text{g gds}^{-1}$ ) | Friedelin ( $\mu\text{g gds}^{-1}$ ) | B-sitosterol ( $\mu\text{g gds}^{-1}$ ) | Ursolic acid ( $\mu\text{g gds}^{-1}$ ) |     |
|                                | 3.5        | 1990           | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>31</sub> | C <sub>31</sub>                  | 22.1                                     | 4.5  | 11.9   | 4.1                    | 0.3            | 27.6                   | 191.1                                  | 1.2                                  | -                                       | 3.2                                     |     |
| Vega de Tera Dam failure       | 13.5       | 1959           | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>31</sub> | C <sub>31</sub>                  | 42.7                                     | 4.6  | 27.0   | 7.0                    | 0.1            | 29.2                   | 256.8                                  | 11.7                                 | 14.1                                    | 6.5                                     |     |
|                                | 18.5       | 1959           | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>31</sub> | C <sub>31</sub>                  | 44.5                                     | 7.6  | 27.4   | 5.7                    | 0.2            | 28.1                   | 309.4                                  | 6.1                                  | 9.8                                     | 10.1                                    |     |
|                                | 21.5       | 1950           | C <sub>25</sub> -C <sub>31</sub> | C <sub>31</sub>                  | 8.9                                      | 0.4  | 7.4  | 13.5                   | 0.1            | 29.3                   | 61.0                                   | 1.3                                  | 3.6                                     | 3.8                                     |     |
|                                | 28.5       | 1890           | C <sub>25</sub> -C <sub>31</sub> | C <sub>31</sub>                  | 17.5                                     | 0.5  | 14.1   | 14.0                   | 0.0            | 29.8                   | 193.7                                  | 3.6                                  | 1.5                                     | 9.1                                     |     |
|                                | 34.5       | 1810           | C <sub>22</sub> -C <sub>31</sub> | C <sub>31</sub>                  | 9.5                                      | 0.6  | 7.1  | 6.8                    | 0.1            | 29.1                   | 72.3                                   | 1.4                                  | 0.7                                     | 6.8                                     |     |
|                                | 41.5       | 1720           | C <sub>22</sub> -C <sub>31</sub> | C <sub>31</sub>                  | 23.2                                     | 3.2  | 15.5   | 5.7                    | 0.2            | 28.1                   | 125.0                                  | 3.6                                  | 1.0                                     | 16.8                                    |     |
|                                | 50.5       | 1640           | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>31</sub> | C <sub>31</sub>                  | 36.6                                     | 6.2  | 22.1   | 5.4                    | 0.2            | 28.2                   | 277.6                                  | 2.4                                  | 1.2                                     | 11.0                                    |     |
|                                | 53.5       | 1610           | C <sub>23</sub> -C <sub>31</sub> | C <sub>31</sub>                  | 117.9                                    | 6.1  | 90.7   | 13.5                   | 0.1            | 29.7                   | 646.1                                  | 10.7                                 | 5.9                                     | 28.0                                    |     |
|                                | 55.5       | 1600           | C <sub>22</sub> -C <sub>31</sub> | C <sub>31</sub>                  | 266.2                                    | 10.8   | 197.5  | 9.8                    | 0.1            | 29.7                   | 1497.3                                 | 34.2                                 | 5.4                                     | 79.5                                    |     |
|                                | 60.5       | 1550           | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>31</sub> | C <sub>31</sub>                  | 24.9                                     | 4.2  | 14.3   | 5.0                    | 0.2            | 28.3                   | 199.4                                  | 1.4                                  | 1.2                                     | 10.8                                    |     |
|                                | 63.5       | 1520           | C <sub>23</sub> -C <sub>31</sub> | C <sub>31</sub>                  | 132.1                                    | 8.3  | 97.0   | 9.0                    | 0.1            | 29.5                   | 673.8                                  | 13.7                                 | 7.7                                     | 27.9                                    |     |
| SAN04-3A-1K- <i>n</i> -alkanes |            |                |                                  |                                  |  |  |  |                        |                |                        |  |                                      |   |   |     |
| Unit                           | Depth (cm) | Age (cal a BP) | C range                          | C max                            | Total Alkanes ( $\mu\text{g.gds}^{-1}$ ) | $n\text{C}_{21} + n\text{C}_{23} + n\text{C}_{25}$ | $n\text{C}_{27} + n\text{C}_{29} + n\text{C}_{31}$ | $\text{CPI}_{21-33}^a$ | $\text{Paq}^b$ | $\text{ACL}_{21-33}^c$ | Total Lipid ( $\mu\text{g gds}^{-1}$ ) | Friedelin ( $\mu\text{g gds}^{-1}$ ) | B-sitosterol ( $\mu\text{g gds}^{-1}$ ) | Ursolic acid ( $\mu\text{g gds}^{-1}$ ) |     |
| 1                              | A          | 27             | 1000                             | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>31</sub> | C <sub>29</sub> +C <sub>31</sub>         | 6.7  | 1.9  | 3.2                    | 3.4            | 0.4                    | 26.3                                   | 56.7                                 | 0.5                                     | 0.8                                     | 0.8 |
|                                |            | 32             | 1100                             | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>31</sub> | C <sub>23</sub>                          | 5.9  | 2.1  | 2.1                    | 2.5            | 0.5                    | 25.4                                   | 51.9                                 | 0.2                                     | 1.3                                     | 1.6 |
|                                |            | 52             | 1300                             | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>31</sub>                          | 11.4   | 2.6  | 5.9                    | 3.7            | 0.3                    | 27.2                                   | 153.4                                | 1.0                                     | 2.3                                     | 2.2 |
|                                |            | 62             | 1400                             | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>31</sub>                          | 13.5   | 2.9  | 7.4                    | 4.2            | 0.3                    | 27.4                                   | 124.3                                | 1.0                                     | 2.2                                     | 2.6 |
|                                |            | 67             | 1500                             | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>31</sub>                          | 17.2   | 3.7  | 9.4                    | 4.1            | 0.3                    | 27.4                                   | 121.1                                | 0.6                                     | 1.4                                     | 1.0 |
|                                | B          | 83             | 1600                             | C <sub>22</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>29</sub> +C <sub>31</sub>         | 23.7   | 0.9  | 17.5                   | 5.4            | 0.1                    | 28.8                                   | 103.2                                | 1.3                                     | -                                       | -   |
|                                |            | 122            | 2000                             | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>31</sub>                          | 57.8   | 8.7  | 34.6                   | 5.3            | 0.2                    | 28.5                                   | 366.8                                | 3.2                                     | 5.0                                     | 8.8 |
|                                |            | 132            | 2100                             | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>31</sub>                          | 31.4   | 4.2  | 19.7                   | 6.0            | 0.2                    | 28.6                                   | 257.2                                | 3.1                                     | 4.7                                     | 9.3 |
|                                |            | 152            | 2200                             | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>31</sub>                          | 25.9   | 4.1  | 16.1                   | 5.9            | 0.2                    | 28.4                                   | 189.4                                | 1.9                                     | 2.5                                     | 2.0 |



|   |     |       |                                  |                                  |                                  |      |      |      |      |      |       |       |     |     |      |
|---|-----|-------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-----|-----|------|
|   |     | 157   | 2300                             | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>31</sub>                  | 24.3 | 4.1  | 14.5 | 5.1  | 0.2  | 28.1  | 181.5 | 2.0 | 4.4 | 7.7  |
|   |     | 192   | 2600                             | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>31</sub>                  | 11.3 | 2.4  | 6.2  | 4.1  | 0.3  | 27.4  | 111.9 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 3.7  |
|   |     | 217   | 2800                             | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>31</sub>                  | 15.2 | 3.0  | 8.7  | 4.7  | 0.3  | 27.6  | 132.2 | 1.4 | 2.1 | 3.1  |
|   |     | 262   | 3100                             | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>31</sub>                  | 26.3 | 4.3  | 16.3 | 5.8  | 0.2  | 28.3  | 219.8 | 1.3 | 2.4 | 4.5  |
|   | C   | 302   | 3300                             | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>31</sub>                  | 24.2 | 4.4  | 13.9 | 5.2  | 0.2  | 28.1  | 160.5 | 1.1 | 2.8 | -    |
|   |     | 339   | 3700                             | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>27</sub> +C <sub>31</sub> | 24.0 | 4.8  | 14.7 | 5.8  | 0.3  | 27.6  | 149.9 | 1.1 | 2.3 | 3.5  |
|   |     | 359   | 3900                             | C <sub>22</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>31</sub>                  | 56.3 | 3.5  | 43.4 | 7.9  | 0.1  | 29.0  | 435.9 | 6.3 | 4.7 | 9.8  |
|   |     | 399   | 4500                             | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>31</sub>                  | 38.4 | 6.4  | 24.4 | 6.2  | 0.2  | 28.1  | 357.7 | 3.4 | 6.3 | 8.3  |
|   |     | 409   | 4600                             | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>27</sub> +C <sub>31</sub> | 16.0 | 3.2  | 9.4  | 5.0  | 0.3  | 27.5  | 96.5  | 0.8 | 1.4 | 1.0  |
|   |     | 414   | 4700                             | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>27</sub> +C <sub>31</sub> | 17.1 | 4.1  | 8.9  | 3.9  | 0.4  | 26.9  | 91.3  | 0.9 | 1.5 | 0.6  |
|   | D   | 449   | 5400                             | C <sub>22</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>29</sub>                  | 58.8 | 7.2  | 82.5 | 8.7  | 0.1  | 28.9  | 437.9 | 3.2 | -   | 14.9 |
|   |     | 464   | 5700                             | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>27</sub> +C <sub>31</sub> | 15.7 | 3.3  | 9.1  | 5.0  | 0.3  | 27.4  | 103.4 | 0.9 | 1.1 | 1.9  |
|   |     | 484   | 6100                             | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>27</sub>                  | 34.3 | 2.9  | 24.9 | 5.6  | 0.1  | 28.4  | 393.1 | 8.8 | -   | 7.3  |
|   |     | 505   | 6600                             | C <sub>23</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>29</sub> +C <sub>31</sub> | 66.3 | 4.9  | 51.4 | 8.4  | 0.1  | 28.8  | 542.7 | 5.6 | -   | 10.9 |
|   | E   | 523   | 7100                             | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>27</sub> +C <sub>29</sub> | 33.6 | 2.6  | 27.4 | 14.5 | 0.1  | 28.7  | 241.4 | 3.3 | -   | 4.6  |
|   |     | 543   | 7600                             | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>27</sub>                  | 27.4 | 5.3  | 17.0 | 5.9  | 0.3  | 27.6  | 117.5 | 2.5 | 1.5 | 2.8  |
|   |     | 568   | 8200                             | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>29</sub>                  | 64.0 | 5.2  | 49.8 | 9.2  | 0.1  | 28.7  | 195.5 | 0.6 | -   | 3.0  |
|   |     | 593   | 8800                             | C <sub>22</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>31</sub>                  | 45.0 | 3.1  | 35.3 | 10.6 | 0.1  | 29.1  | 154.4 | 2.8 | -   | -    |
|   |     | 608   | 9100                             | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>27</sub>                  | 18.7 | 4.4  | 9.6  | 3.6  | 0.4  | 27.0  | 75.9  | 0.5 | 2.5 | 0.3  |
|   |     | 632   | 9800                             | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>27</sub>                  | 23.5 | 5.4  | 12.9 | 4.5  | 0.4  | 27.1  | 85.8  | 0.5 | 0.9 | -    |
|   |     | 638   | 10000                            | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>27</sub>                  | 27.8 | 5.6  | 17.3 | 6.5  | 0.3  | 27.6  | 170.8 | 1.3 | 2.5 | 1.9  |
|   |     | 662   | 10800                            | C <sub>23</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>29</sub>                  | 59.3 | 3.7  | 46.3 | 9.7  | 0.1  | 29.1  | 136.6 | 2.3 | 1.8 | -    |
| 2 | A   | 678   | 11400                            | C <sub>23</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>29</sub> +C <sub>31</sub> | 58.2 | 4.1  | 45.1 | 12.1 | 0.1  | 29.1  | 100.2 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 2.6  |
|   |     | 693   | 12000                            | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>27</sub>                  | 17.1 | 3.5  | 10.3 | 5.5  | 0.3  | 27.3  | 74.8  | 0.7 | 0.8 | 0.2  |
|   |     | 698   | 12200                            | C <sub>23</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>29</sub>                  | 18.7 | 1.5  | 14.0 | 8.2  | 0.1  | 28.7  | 92.2  | -   | -   | 0.1  |
|   | B   | 703   | 12500                            | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>27</sub>                  | 21.8 | 3.9  | 13.7 | 5.7  | 0.3  | 27.5  | 87.9  | 1.0 | 1.1 | 1.2  |
|   |     | 708   | 12700                            | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>31</sub>                  | 59.8 | 3.1  | 41.7 | 8.3  | 0.1  | 29.7  | 182.4 | 2.3 | -   | -    |
|   |     | 713   | 13000                            | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>27</sub>                  | 20.6 | 4.5  | 10.8 | 4.6  | 0.3  | 27.5  | 90.5  | 1.0 | 0.7 | 1.9  |
| C | 718 | 13200 | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>31</sub>                  | 77.1                             | 5.3  | 55.5 | 9.1  | 0.1  | 29.2 | 352.0 | 7.2   | 6.1 | 0.5 |      |
|   | 728 | 13800 | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>31</sub>                  | 42.9                             | 2.6  | 26.3 | 4.7  | 0.1  | 29.4 | 128.2 | 0.8   | 1.2 | 0.4 |      |
| 3 |     | 749   | 15000                            | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>31</sub>                  | 14.0 | 2.4  | 5.0  | 1.8  | 0.3  | 27.5  | 49.9  | 1.8 | -   | -    |
|   |     | 764   | 16000                            | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>31</sub>                  | 7.4  | 1.0  | 3.5  | 2.2  | 0.2  | 28.0  | 42.8  | 0.4 | -   | -    |

|  |  |     |       |                                  |                 |      |     |     |     |     |      |      |     |   |   |
|--|--|-----|-------|----------------------------------|-----------------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|-----|---|---|
|  |  | 784 | 17300 | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>31</sub> | 4.9  | 0.8 | 1.4 | 0.9 | 0.3 | 26.9 | 36.1 | -   | - | - |
|  |  | 804 | 18800 | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>31</sub> | 16.3 | 2.7 | 6.3 | 1.7 | 0.3 | 27.4 | 64.4 | -   | - | - |
|  |  | 824 | 20200 | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>22</sub> | 15.1 | 2.8 | 3.9 | 1.1 | 0.4 | 26.8 | 45.1 | 1.7 | - | - |
|  |  | 844 | 21800 | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>22</sub> | 21.2 | 5.6 | 5.4 | 1.3 | 0.5 | 26.0 | 48.7 | 1.5 | - | - |
|  |  | 859 | 23000 | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>22</sub> | 12.8 | 2.8 | 2.4 | 0.9 | 0.6 | 26.2 | 42.8 | 1.7 | - | - |
|  |  | 874 | 24100 | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>22</sub> | 11.7 | 2.5 | 3.1 | 1.2 | 0.4 | 26.4 | 44.1 | 1.9 | - | - |

**ESM2.** Description of sediment samples (depth, extrapolated age), *n*-alkanol and *n*-alkanoic acid distribution in terms of range of chain leng (C range), most abundant (C max), total alkanol and alkanolic acid concentration ( $\mu\text{g}$  per gram of dry sample -  $\mu\text{g gds}^{-1}$ ), carbon preference index (CPI). (a)  $\text{CPI}_{20-34}^{\text{a}} = \frac{\sum[\text{C}_{20-34}]}{\sum[\text{C}_{21-33}]}$ , (b)  $\text{CPI}_{16-32}^{\text{b}} = \frac{\sum[\text{C}_{16-32}]}{\sum[\text{C}_{21-31}]}$ .

| SAN-07-2M <i>n</i> -alkanol and <i>n</i> -alkanoic acid |            |                                  |                                  |                 |  |                                  |                                  |                                  |   |                                 |
|---|------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|--|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| Unit  | Depth (cm) | Age (AD)                         | C range                          | C max           | Total Alkanol ( $\mu\text{g gds}^{-1}$ ) | $\text{CPI}_{20-33}^{\text{a}}$  | C range                          | C max                            | Total Alkanolic acid ( $\mu\text{g gds}^{-1}$ ) | $\text{CPI}_{16-32}^{\text{b}}$ |
|   | 3.5        | 1990                             | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> | C <sub>28</sub> | 64.8                                     | 6.7                              | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                  | 104.2   | 4.2                             |
| Vega de Tera Dam failure                                | 13.5       | 1959                             | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub> | 90.6                                     | 7.7                              | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>24</sub> +C <sub>26</sub> | 123.5   | 3.4                             |
|   | 18.5       | 1959                             | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub> | 114.4                                    | 5.8                              | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>24</sub>                  | 150.5   | 5.6                             |
|   | 21.5       | 1950                             | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub> | 35.5                                     | 21.7                             | C <sub>18</sub> -C <sub>26</sub> | C <sub>24</sub>                  | 16.5  | 4.2                             |
|   | 28.5       | 1890                             | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub> | 99.8                                     | 13.2                             | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>30</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                  | 76.3  | 4.2                             |
|   | 34.5       | 1810                             | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub> | 47.9                                     | 26.7                             | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>30</sub> | C <sub>24</sub>                  | 14.8  | 2.8                             |
|   | 41.5       | 1720                             | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub> | 67.9                                     | 13.1                             | C <sub>18</sub> -C <sub>30</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                  | 33.8  | 16.5                            |
|   | 50.5       | 1640                             | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub> | 92.5                                     | 10.1                             | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>24</sub> +C <sub>26</sub> | 148.5   | 3.4                             |
|   | 53.5       | 1610                             | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub> | 253.3                                    | 7.9                              | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                  | 274.9   | 3.5                             |
|   | 55.5       | 1600                             | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub> | 584.4                                    | 0.1                              | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                  | 641.6   | 4.1                             |
|   | 60.5       | 1550                             | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub> | 61.0                                     | 7.0                              | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>24</sub>                  | 113.6   | 3.8                             |
| 63.5  | 1520       | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                  | 285.1           | 8.5                                      | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                  | 256.6                            | 5.5   |                                 |

| SAN-04-3A-1K <i>n</i> -alkanol and <i>n</i> -alkanoic acid |            |                |                                  |                                  |  |                                 |                                  |                                  |   |                                 |     |
|--|------------|----------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|-----|
| Unit   | Depth (cm) | Age (cal a BP) | C range                          | C max                            | Total Alkanol ( $\mu\text{g gds}^{-1}$ ) | $\text{CPI}_{20-34}^{\text{a}}$ | C range                          | C max                            | Total Alkanolic acid ( $\mu\text{g gds}^{-1}$ ) | $\text{CPI}_{16-32}^{\text{b}}$ |     |
| 1  | A          | 27             | 1000                             | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                          | 21.8                            | 6.7                              | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>24</sub>                                 | 28.3                            | 6.1 |
|  |            | 32             | 1100                             | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                          | 9.0                             | 10.2                             | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>24</sub>                                 | 37.1                            | 7.0 |
|  | B          | 52             | 1300                             | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                          | 56.1                            | 23.4                             | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                                 | 85.9                            | 5.4 |
|  |            | 62             | 1400                             | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                          | 48.2                            | 24.0                             | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                                 | 62.7                            | 7.5 |
|  |            | 67             | 1500                             | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>34</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                          | 53.3                            | 9.3                              | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                                 | 50.5                            | 5.9 |
|  |            | 83             | 1600                             | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                          | 54.7                            | 14.5                             | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>28</sub> | C <sub>24</sub>                                 | 24.9                            | 3.0 |
|  |            | 122            | 2000                             | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>34</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                          | 124.6                           | 13.1                             | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                                 | 184.4                           | 6.6 |
|  |            | 132            | 2100                             | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>34</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                          | 102.1                           | 7.9                              | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                                 | 123.7                           | 4.3 |
|  |            | 152            | 2200                             | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>34</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                          | 73.4                            | 9.1                              | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                                 | 90.1                            | 5.2 |
|  |            | 157            | 2300                             | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>34</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                          | 62.5                            | 16.2                             | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub> +C <sub>28</sub>                | 94.8                            | 5.2 |
|  |            | 192            | 2600                             | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                          | 44.8                            | 18.6                             | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                                 | 55.9                            | 6.3 |
|  |            | 217            | 2800                             | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub> +C <sub>28</sub>         | 51.3                            | 14.9                             | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                                 | 65.7                            | 7.4 |
|  | 262        | 3100           | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>34</sub> | C <sub>26</sub> +C <sub>28</sub> | 80.2                                     | 14.2                            | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                  | 113.2   | 6.4                             |     |
|  | C          | 302            | 3300                             | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                          | 73.9                            | 5.2                              | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>24</sub>                                 | 62.5                            | 3.8 |
|  |            | 339            | 3700                             | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>34</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                          | 63.9                            | 17.0                             | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub> +C <sub>28</sub>                | 62.1                            | 5.7 |
|  |            | 359            | 3900                             | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                          | 306.0                           | 9.1                              | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>30</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                                 | 73.6                            | 4.3 |
|  |            | 399            | 4500                             | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>34</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                          | 142.8                           | 8.9                              | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                                 | 176.6                           | 6.1 |
|  |            | 409            | 4600                             | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                          | 36.9                            | 25.4                             | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub> +C <sub>28</sub>                | 43.6                            | 7.3 |
|  |            | 414            | 4700                             | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                          | 32.8                            | 24.9                             | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>30</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                                 | 41.5                            | 8.0 |
|  | D          | 449            | 5400                             | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                          | 128.1                           | 7.0                              | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>30</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                                 | 204.1                           | 5.4 |
| 464  |            | 5700           | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                  | 43.4                                     | 7.6                             | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>30</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                  | 44.2  | 9.1                             |     |
| 484  |            | 6100           | C <sub>22</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                  | 322.0                                    | 6.6                             | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>30</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                  | 36.8  | 5.6                             |     |
| 505  |            | 6600           | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                  | 319.0                                    | 7.4                             | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub> +C <sub>28</sub> | 157.5   | 3.2                             |     |
| E  | 523        | 7100           | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                  | 141.7                                    | 8.50                            | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>30</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                  | 66.1  | 7.2                             |     |
|  | 543        | 7600           | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                  | 37.5                                     | 5.20                            | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                  | 52.6  | 6.7                             |     |
|  | 568        | 8200           | C <sub>22</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                  | 72.5                                     | 8.80                            | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>30</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                  | 59.0  | 13.5                            |     |
|  | 593        | 8800           | C <sub>22</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>30</sub>                  | 86.8                                     | 4.00                            | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>30</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                  | 22.6  | 11.8                            |     |

|   |   |     |       |                                  |                                  |                 |      |                                  |                                  |                 |       |
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|   |   | 608 | 9100  | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>30</sub>                  | 27.0            | 4.90 | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                  | 30.1            | 5.7   |
|   |   | 632 | 9800  | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                  | 23.6            | 14.0 | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                  | 38.7            | 7.7   |
|   |   | 638 | 10000 | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                  | 55.9            | 9.9  | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                  | 87.1            | 7.2   |
|   |   | 662 | 10800 | C <sub>22</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                  | 63.9            | 4.7  | C <sub>18</sub> -C <sub>28</sub> | C <sub>24</sub>                  | 13.4            | 2.0   |
| 2 | A | 678 | 11400 | C <sub>22</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                  | 11              | 5.2  | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>31</sub> | C <sub>26</sub>                  | 31              | 4.1   |
|   |   | 693 | 12000 | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                  | 23.4            | 47.3 | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>26+</sub> C <sub>28</sub> | 34.3            | 9.6   |
|   |   | 698 | 12200 | C <sub>22</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                  | 65.7            | 6.5  | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>30</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                  | 7.8             | 13.0  |
|   | B | 703 | 12500 | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                  | 28              | 15.5 | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                  | 38.2            | 7.8   |
|   |   | 708 | 12700 | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                  | 110.2           | 8.0  | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>31</sub> | C <sub>24</sub>                  | 12.5            | 2.5   |
|   |   | 713 | 13000 | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                  | 27.7            | 11.2 | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                  | 42.2            | 5.3   |
|   | C | 718 | 13200 | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                  | 234.4           | 7.4  | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>30</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                  | 40.5            | 6.0   |
|   |   | 728 | 13800 | C <sub>22</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                  | 76              | 7.6  | C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>30</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                  | 9.3             | 6.3   |
|   | 3 |     | 749   | 15000                            | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>28</sub> | 26.4 | 24.9                             | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>29</sub> | C <sub>22</sub> | 9.50  |
|   |   | 764 | 16000 | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                  | 25.5            | 52.1 | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>28</sub> | C <sub>22+</sub> C <sub>24</sub> | 10.00           | 1.000 |
|   |   | 784 | 17300 | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                  | 25              | 43.1 | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>27</sub> | C <sub>22+</sub> C <sub>25</sub> | 6.20            | 1.000 |
|   |   | 804 | 18800 | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                  | 35.5            | 12.2 | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>29</sub> | C <sub>22+</sub> C <sub>24</sub> | 12.60           | 0.800 |
|   |   | 824 | 20200 | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                  | 22.2            | 55.9 | C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>29</sub> | C <sub>22+</sub> C <sub>24</sub> | 7.70            | 0.900 |
|   |   | 844 | 21800 | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                  | 18.7            | -    | C <sub>22</sub> -C <sub>29</sub> | C <sub>22+</sub> C <sub>24</sub> | 8.90            | 1.000 |
|   |   | 859 | 23000 | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                  | 21.2            | 80.4 | C <sub>22</sub> -C <sub>29</sub> | C <sub>22+</sub> C <sub>24</sub> | 8.70            | 1.000 |
|   |   | 874 | 24100 | C <sub>20</sub> -C <sub>32</sub> | C <sub>28</sub>                  | 22.3            | 69.1 | C <sub>22</sub> -C <sub>30</sub> | C <sub>22+</sub> C <sub>27</sub> | 10.00           | 1.200 |