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1 **Holocene tephrostratigraphy of varved sediment records from Lakes Tiefer See (NE**  
2 **Germany) and Czechowskie (N Poland)**

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25 **Abstract**

26 A detailed Holocene tephrostratigraphic framework has been developed for two  
27 predominately varved lake sediment sequences from NE Germany (Lake Tiefer See) and  
28 central N Poland (Lake Czechowskie). A total of thirteen tephras and cryptotephras of  
29 Icelandic provenance were detected and chemically fingerprinted in order to define  
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36 correlatives and to integrate known tephra ages into the sediment chronologies. Out of these,  
37 three cryptotephras (Askja-AD1875, Askja-S and Hässeldalen) were identified in both  
38 records, thus allowing a detailed synchronization of developing high-resolution  
39 palaeoenvironmental proxy data. The early Holocene Saksunarvatn Ash layer and the middle  
40 Holocene Lairg-B and Hekla-4 cryptotephras in Lake Tiefer See are further important anchor  
41 points for the comparison with other high-resolution palaeoclimate records in Central and  
42 Northern Europe. Tentative correlations of cryptotephras have been made with a historical  
43 basaltic Grimsvötn eruption (~ AD890 - AD856) and three late Holocene rhyolitic eruptions,  
44 including the 2.1 ka Glen Garry and two unknown high-silicic cryptotephras of probably  
45 Icelandic provenance (~ 1.9 cal ka BP).

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## 47 **1. Introduction**

48 In the light of global warming and possibly related socio-environmental responses it is  
49 essential to understand the mechanism and timing of abrupt climate changes. Past climate  
50 variability can be best reconstructed by studying high-resolution geological records, e.g.  
51 annually laminated (varved) lake sediments. However, such records are rare in northern  
52 central Europe and are restricted to either the Lateglacial (e.g. Brauer et al., 1999; Goslar et  
53 al., 1999; Goslar et al., 1993; Merkt and Müller, 1999; Neugebauer et al., 2012) or the  
54 Holocene epoch (e.g. Dörfler et al., 2012; Enters et al., 2010; Zolitschka, 1990).

55 The Virtual Institute for Integrated Climate and Landscape Evolution Analyses ICLEA  
56 ([www.iclea.de](http://www.iclea.de)) aims at the continuous and high-resolution reconstruction of past climate  
57 variability and environmental changes in the northern central European Lowlands since the  
58 end of the last Ice Age. A current focus is set on two predominately varved sediment  
59 sequences from NE Germany (Lake Tiefer See; Dräger et al., 2014) and central N Poland  
60 (Lake Czechowskie; Ott et al., 2014). A high-resolution palaeoenvironmental reconstruction  
61 and the establishment of independent chronologies of both records is in progress and will

enable the determination of effects of spatial and temporal climatic changes due to the existing gradient of increasing climatic continentality from the western (Tiefer See) towards the eastern archive (Czechowskie). Independent chronologies will be achieved by varve counting, radiometric dating and tephrochronology. The latter method involves the use of tephra layers (volcanic fallout material) in sedimentary repositories as a dating and synchronization tool (e.g. Lowe, 2011). Several distinct tephras of Icelandic and Eifel provenance have been reported from sites in NE Germany and western Poland, i.e. the Saksunarvatn Ash (Bramham-Law et al., 2013), the Askja-S, Hässeldalen and Laacher See tephras (e.g. Housley et al., 2013a; Juvigné et al., 1995; Lane et al., 2011b; Riede et al., 2011; Wulf et al., 2013). Those tephras, however, are restricted to the Lateglacial and early Holocene epoch. The identification of younger tephras is so far limited to a single finding of the late Holocene Glen Garry cryptotephra (non-visible tephra) in an archaeological site in NW Poland (Housley et al., 2013b).

In this study, we present a comprehensive tephrostratigraphy for the northern central European Lowlands for the last ca 11,500 years, constrained from the ICLEA sites Lake Tiefer See and Lake Czechowskie. The tephra results are used to construct robust tephrochronologies for both records in order to support their varve chronologies. They furthermore provide important anchor points for the synchronization of palaeo-proxy data of these records with each other and with other high-resolution terrestrial records in northern-central Europe.

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## 83 **2. Study area**

84 Lake Tiefer See (TSK = Tiefer See Klocksin) and Lake Czechowskie (JC = Jeziorko  
85 Czechowskie) are both located in the northern central European Lowlands in the foreland of  
86 the terminal moraine of the Pomeranian ice advance of the last glaciation, which is dated at  
87  $15.6 \pm 0.6$   $^{10}\text{Be}$  ka (Rinterknecht et al., 2014) (Fig. 1). Both lakes have a melt genesis, namely

88 lake basins formed by the melting of buried ice blocks (Błaszkiewicz et al., 2011, 2015;  
89 Kaiser et al., 2012; Loon et al., 2012; Słowiński, 2010; Słowiński et al., in press). Lake Tiefer  
90 See is a 1.6 km N-S elongated lake located in the natural park of Nossentiner-Schwinzer  
91 Heide, NE Germany ( $53^{\circ}35.5'N$ ,  $12^{\circ}31.8'E$ , 62 m a.s.l.). It is part of the Klocksin Lake Chain  
92 that formed in a subglacial gully system during the last deglaciation. The lake has a surface  
93 area of  $0.75 \text{ km}^2$  and a maximum water depth of 62.5 m (Dräger et al., 2014; Kienel et al.,  
94 2013).

95 Lake Czechowskie is situated in the eastern part of the Pomeranian Lakeland in the Tuchola  
96 Pinewoods, central N Poland ( $53^{\circ}52.2'N$ ,  $18^{\circ}14.1'E$ , 108 m a.s.l.). The current lake together  
97 with the adjacent Trzechowskie palaeolake (TRZ) basin ( $53^{\circ}52.4'N$ ,  $18^{\circ}12.9'E$ , 111 m a.s.l.)  
98 developed in a subglacial channel in the outwash plain of the Wda river, which was  
99 accumulated during the retreat of the Late Weichselian ice sheet recession between 17 and 16  
100 cal ka BP (Błaszkiewicz et al., 2015; Marks, 2012). Lake Czechowskie has an oval-shaped  
101 basin with a surface area of  $0.73 \text{ km}^2$  and a maximum water depth of 32 m ( Błaszkiewicz,  
102 2005; Ott et al., 2014).

103 Lake Tiefer See and Lake Czechowskie are both located in a distal position to  
104 Icelandic volcanoes (2,150 – 2,400 km SE) and the W German Eifel Volcanic Field (500 –  
105 840 km NE).

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### 107 **3. Methods**

#### 108 **3.1 Sediments and developing chronology**

##### 109 *3.1.1 Lake Tiefer See*

110 In the years 2011 and 2013, a total of seven parallel sediment sequences and several surface  
111 cores were recovered from the deepest part of Lake Tiefer See using an UWITEC piston corer  
112 (Fig. 1b). These sequences were used to construct a composite profile of 1083 cm length that  
113 reaches the basal glacio-fluvial sand deposits (Fig. 2a). Two sediment gaps probably of

several decimetres each occur at 769.5 cm and 956.5 cm depth as a result of technical problems during coring. The chronology of the composite profile is under construction and will incorporate several dating methods, i.e. varve counting, estimation of sedimentation rates in poorly and non-varved sections, AMS-<sup>14</sup>C dating (Dräger et al., 2014) and tephrochronology (this paper). Lacustrine sediments are characterized by alternating finely laminated and homogenous diatomaceous gyttia with various amounts of calcareous and detrital matter (Dräger et al., 2014; Kienel et al., 2013).

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### 122 *3.1.2 Lake Czechowskie*

Four parallel and overlapping sediment sequences as well as numerous short cores were retrieved between 2009 and 2012 from the deepest parts of Lake Czechowskie (Fig. 1b) using an UWITEC piston corer and a Ghilardi Gravity Corer (KGH 94), respectively. A continuous composite profile of 1346 cm length has been constructed (Fig. 2b) by defining unambiguous correlation layers. Holocene sediments are dominated by finely laminated calcareous gyttia with various amounts of organic and detrital matter. The base of Lateglacial sedimentary deposits is characterised by coarse glacio-fluvial sand deposits (Ott et al., 2014). Dating of sediments is in progress and will include varve counting, AMS <sup>14</sup>C dating, radionuclide distribution (<sup>137</sup>Cs) (Ott et al., 2014) and tephrochronology (this paper).

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## 133 **3.2 Tephrochronological methods**

A systematic scanning for cryptotephras in TSK and JC sediments was carried out using preliminary chronostratigraphical information, high-resolution sampling and processing of sediments for each archive. Continuous sediment samples of 1 cm<sup>3</sup> were taken in 0.5 cm to 5 cm intervals for the entire Holocene TSK sequence as well as for the early Holocene part of JC sediments. A selective search in the middle to late Holocene section of the JC sequence was carried out depending on tephra findings in this time interval in the TSK sequence. In

140 order to remove organic matter, samples were individually treated with a 15% hydrogen  
141 peroxide ( $H_2O_2$ ) solution (overnight) and subsequently wet-sieved over a 100- $\mu m$  and 20- $\mu m$   
142 mesh sieve. In the following, a 10% hydrochloric acid (HCl) solution was added to the 20-100  
143  $\mu m$  fractions in order to dissolve calcium carbonates (maximum 1 hour). The residual samples  
144 were then repeatedly rinsed with deionized water and dried with Ethanol at 60°C. Samples  
145 with high diatom abundances were additionally heated in a 2M sodium carbonate ( $Na_2CO_3$ )  
146 solution in a water bath for 5 hour, neutralized with a 10% hydrochloric acid solution and  
147 rinsed with deionized water before drying. Dried samples were inspected for volcanic glass  
148 shards on plastic lids using a transmitted light microscope (Zeiss Jenapol). Identified shards  
149 were handpicked into a single-hole-stub, embedded in Araldite 2020 resin, sectioned and  
150 polished by hand on wet silicon carbide paper.

151 The major element composition of single glass shards was obtained on the carbon-coated  
152 stubs at a JEOL JXA-8230 microprobe at the German Research Centre for Geosciences  
153 (GFZ). Operating conditions used a 15 kV voltage, a 10 nA beam current and beam sizes of 5  
154  $\mu m$ , 8  $\mu m$  or 10  $\mu m$ . Exposure times for each analysis were 20 seconds for the elements Fe,  
155 Cl, Mn, Ti, Mg and P, as well as 10 seconds for F, Si, Al, K, Ca and Na. Instrumental  
156 calibration used natural mineral and the Lipari obsidian glass standards (Hunt and Hill, 1996;  
157 Kuehn et al., 2011). Raw values of glass data are provided in Tables 1 and 2. For comparison,  
158 several Holocene Icelandic tephras were analysed with the same instrument, i.e. Askja-  
159 AD1875 (sample provided by C. van den Bogaard), Landnám-AD870, Eldgjá-AD~934,  
160 Hekla-3 and Hekla-4 (see Supplementary File 1). Geochemical bi-plots used normalized  
161 (water-free) data of the TSK, JC and proximal tephra samples for the comparison with other  
162 published EPMA glass data (Fig. 4).

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164 **4. Results and discussions**

165 Tephras from both records are described from the oldest to the youngest deposition. If not  
166 indicated otherwise, the number of counted glass shards is related to 1 cm<sup>3</sup> of the original wet  
167 sediment sample. Tephras are labelled according to their position in the individual core  
168 sections (for example: Tephra in Lake Tiefer See, core K3, between 42 and 43 cm core depth  
169 = TSK\_K3\_42-43\_T). The position of cryptotephras in the core section was defined as the  
170 mid-point sample depth.

171 A total of eight (TSK) and five (JC) cryptotephras have been identified, respectively (Tables  
172 1, 2; Fig. 2). The tephras all show either rhyolitic (n=11) or basaltic (n=2) compositions  
173 typical of Icelandic provenance. Three samples, namely TSK11\_A3\_120-125\_T, TSK13-  
174 F6\_91-92\_T and JC12\_D6\_112-113\_T, were analysed with a small beam size of 5 µm due of  
175 the small grain sizes and high vesicularity of glass shards. Those analyses have been affected  
176 by sodium migration, resulting in slightly higher SiO<sub>2</sub> and lower Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and Na<sub>2</sub>O  
177 concentrations (see data of Lipari standard for comparison; Supplementary File 1). However,  
178 all elemental data of those samples fully plot within the chemical fields of published glass  
179 data of potential tephra correlatives and thus enabled reliable attributions (Fig. 4).

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#### 181 **4.1 Lake Tiefer See Holocene tephrostratigraphy**

##### 182 *Sample TSK13\_F6\_99-100\_T (Hässeldalen)*

183 The lowermost cryptotephra TSK13\_F6\_99-100\_T in Lake Tiefer See occurs in 1031.7 cm  
184 composite depth in a non-varved interval and reveals only 2 shards cm<sup>-3</sup>. No further glass  
185 shards have been detected in the overlying and underlying sediments, suggesting an  
186 undisturbed and primary deposition of this cryptotephra. Both colourless, highly vesicular  
187 glass shards (Fig. 3) show rhyolitic compositions that are best comparable with those of the  
188 early Holocene Hässeldalen tephra (HDT) from the Snæfellsjökull volcano (?) in W Iceland  
189 (Davies et al., 2003) (Fig. 4f). The HDT was first reported at the distal Hässeldala port  
190 palaeolake site in southern Sweden and dated by Bayesian <sup>14</sup>C modelling at 11,380 ± 216 cal

191 yr BP (Davies et al., 2003; Wohlfarth et al., 2006). Further findings include sites in SW  
192 Sweden (Lilja et al., 2013), Denmark (Larsen and Noe-Nygaard, 2014) and on the Faroe  
193 Islands (Lind and Wastegård, 2011). The occurrence of the HDT in TSK is in agreement with  
194 recent findings at Endinger Bruch in NE Germany (Lane et al., 2011b) and at the Węgliny site  
195 in SW Poland (Housley et al., 2013a) (Fig. 5).

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197 *Sample TSK13\_F6\_91-92\_T (Askja-S)*

198 Sample TSK13\_F6\_91-92\_T in 1023.2 cm composite depth exhibited 3 shards  $\text{cm}^{-3}$  (Fig. 3)  
199 that occurs within a non-laminated section 7 cm above the Hässeldalen Tephra. Glass shards  
200 are colourless, highly vesicular and display a homogenous Icelandic rhyolitic composition  
201 with relatively low potassium values of ca 2.5 wt% and high CaO concentrations (ca 1.6-1.7  
202 wt%) (Fig. 4f). Both the glass chemistry and the position of cryptotephra TSK13\_F6\_91-92\_T  
203 above the biostratigraphically defined Younger Dryas/Holocene transition confirm an origin  
204 from the Askja-S caldera forming eruption of the Dyngjufjöll volcanic centre in north-eastern  
205 Iceland (Sigvaldason, 2002). The Askja-S tephra has been so far identified in lake and peat  
206 sequences on the Faroe Islands (Lind and Wastegård, 2011), in N Ireland (Turney et al.,  
207 2006), S Sweden (Davies et al., 2003; Lilja et al., 2013), NE Germany (Lane et al., 2011b)  
208 and Switzerland (Lane et al., 2011a) (Fig. 5). Its age is constrained by Bayesian  $^{14}\text{C}$  modelling  
209 at the Hässeldala port palaeolake site in SE Sweden at  $10,810 \pm 240$  cal yr BP (Wohlfarth et  
210 al., 2006) and in Lake Soppensee at  $10,846 \pm 145$  cal yr BP (Lane et al., 2011a). An age  
211 estimate from Faroe Island provided a much younger time constraint at 10,350-10,500 cal yr  
212 BP (Lind and Wastegård, 2011). Ages from Hässeldala port and Soppensee were incorporated  
213 into a new age model by Bronk Ramsey et al. (2015) providing the most recent age estimate  
214 of the Askja-S tephra at  $10,830 \pm 57$  cal yr BP.

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216 *Sample TSK13\_F6\_55\_T (Saksunarvatn)*

217 In 989.2 cm composite depth a 0.3 mm thick, macroscopic visible tephra layer occurs directly  
218 below a varved interval, here labelled as sample TSK13\_F6\_55\_T. Volcanic glass shards  
219 ( $>100$  shards  $\text{cm}^{-3}$ ) of this tephra are brownish, show a low vesicularity (Fig. 3), and display a  
220 basaltic composition. The stratigraphic position in faintly laminated TSK sediments indicates  
221 a deposition during the Early Holocene (Fig. 2). Both the geochemical and  
222 chronostratigraphical data confirm a correlation with the Saksunarvatn Ash (SA) from the  
223 Grimsvötn volcanic system (Fig. 4e). The Saksunarvatn Ash is an important isochron in  
224 environmental records in northern Europe (e.g. Aarnes et al., 2012; Birks et al., 1996;  
225 Bramham-Law et al., 2013; Jóhansen, 1985; Lind and Wastegård, 2011; Lind et al., 2013;  
226 Mangerud et al., 1986; Merkt et al., 1993), the North Atlantic region (e.g. Andrews et al.,  
227 2002; Haflidason et al., 1990; Jóhannesdóttir et al., 2005; Kylander et al., 2011; Jennings et  
228 al., 2014) and Greenland (e.g. Abbott and Davies, 2012; Grönvold et al., 1995; Mortensen et  
229 al., 2005; Zielinski et al., 1997). At least two distinct SA plumes/eruptions are proposed (e.g.  
230 Jóhannesdóttir et al., 2005; Davies et al., 2012; Bramham-Law et al., 2013): one is distributed  
231 towards the SE and radiocarbon dated in Lake Kråkenes, Norway, at  $10,210 \pm 35$  cal yr BP  
232 (Lohne et al., 2013) and another one towards the NW revealing an slightly older age but  
233 overlapping within the  $2\sigma$  error range at  $10,297 \pm 45$  cal yr BP ( $10,347 \pm 45$  yr b2k;  
234 Rasmussen et al., 2006) in the Greenland ice core record. The Saksunarvatn Ash in Lake  
235 Tiefer See is most likely related to the south-easterly dispersal fan (Fig. 5) at  $10,210 \pm 35$  cal  
236 yr BP. Since this tephra occurs right below a laminated section (Fig. 2), it represents an  
237 important time and correlation marker in TSK sediments (Fig. 6).

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239 *Sample TSK13\_F5\_37-43\_T (Lairg B)*

240 Cryptotephra TSK13\_F5\_37-43\_T occurs in 791.5 cm composite depth and is represented by  
241 the finding of two glass shards in a 5- $\text{cm}^3$  sediment sample obtained from varved sediments ca  
242 22 cm below the upper sediment gap (Fig. 2). Glass shards are colourless, highly vesicular

243 and show a rhyolitic composition, which strongly resembles the glass composition of early  
244 Holocene tephras from the Torfajökull volcanic system in southern Iceland. The best chemical  
245 match is given for the Lairg-B and Høvdarhagi tephras (Fig. 4d). Lairg-B has been identified  
246 in sites in Scotland (Dugmore et al., 1995b; Pilcher et al., 1996), Ireland (Chambers et al.,  
247 2004) and N Germany (van den Bogaard and Schmincke, 2002; Dörfler et al., 2012) and is  
248 radiocarbon dated at  $6,675 \pm 49$  cal yr BP (Pilcher et al., 1996) and  $6,723 \pm 108$  cal yr BP  
249 (Dörfler et al., 2012), respectively. The Høvdarhagi tephra is only known from Faroe Islands  
250 lake sediment sequences, where it is dated at 9,850-9,600 cal yr BP (Lind and Wastegård,  
251 2011) and thus only few hundred years younger than the Saksunarvatn Ash. Cryptotephra  
252 TSK13\_F5\_37-43\_T, however, is positioned ca. 2 m above the Saksunarvatn Ash in TSK  
253 sediments and preliminary varve counts and sedimentation rate estimates indicate a few  
254 thousand years younger age in the range of the Lairg-B tephra. In addition to the finding of  
255 Lairg-B in the nearby Lake Belauer See (Dörfler et al., 2012), this is a major criterion for a  
256 preferred correlation of cryptotephra TSK13\_F5\_37-43\_T with Lairg-B. Despite the low  
257 number of detected glass shards and the relatively broadly defined position within a 5-cm  
258 sediment interval (higher resolution sampling revealed no further shard findings), the Lairg-B  
259 tephra is considered to provide an anchor point at a weighted mean age of  $6,683 \pm 45$  cal yr  
260 BP (calculated after Froggatt and Lowe, 1990) for the floating TSK varve chronology (Figs.  
261 2, 6).

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263 *Sample TSK11\_A3\_120-125\_T (Hekla-4)*

264 Cryptotephra TSK11\_A3\_120-125\_T occurs at 607.9 cm composite depth and revealed two  
265 colourless, highly vesicular glass shards in a 5-cm<sup>3</sup> sample. The rhyolitic composition of both  
266 shards is almost identical and resembles the glass composition of distal middle to late  
267 Holocene tephras from Hekla volcano (e.g. Larsen and Thorarinsson, 1977; Sverrisdottir,  
268 2007) (Fig. 4d). At least five widespread and geochemically similar tephras occurred during

269 this time from Hekla, i.e. Hekla-3 (3.0 cal ka BP), Hekla-S/Kebister (3.8 cal ka BP), Hekla-4  
270 (4.3 cal ka BP), Lairg-A (6.95 cal ka BP) and Hekla-5 (7.1 cal ka BP) (e.g. Dugmore et al.,  
271 1995a; Óladóttir et al., 2011; Guðmundsdóttir et al., 2011). All these tephras are confirmed in  
272 sites in N central Germany (van den Bogaard et al., 2002; van den Bogaard and Schmincke,  
273 2002; Dörfler et al., 2012) (Fig. 5). The best geochemical and chronostratigraphical match of  
274 the TSK tephra is achieved with the Hekla-4 tephra (Fig. 4c). The age of the Hekla-4 tephra is  
275 constrained by radiocarbon dating at  $4,218 \pm 65$  cal yr BP (Dugmore et al., 1995a) and  $4,260$   
276  $\pm 20$  cal yr BP (Pilcher et al., 1995), and by varve counting in Lake Belauer See and Swedish  
277 sites at  $4,342 \pm 75$  cal yr BP (Dörfler et al., 2012) and  $4,390 \pm 107$  cal yr BP (Zillén et al.,  
278 2002), respectively. Independent age control for the Hekla-4 cryptotephra in TSK is provided  
279 by an accelerator mass spectrometer (AMS)  $^{14}\text{C}$  date (Poznan radiocarbon laboratory, sample  
280 POZ-55885) of a small twig located just 12 cm above the glass shard findings at 595 cm  
281 depth. The calibrated age of  $4196 \pm 182$  cal yr BP ( $3800 \pm 35$   $^{14}\text{C}$  yr BP) of the macrofossil  
282 remain corresponds well with the published age estimates for the Hekla-4 eruption and thus  
283 supports the correlation to this event.

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285 *Sample TSK11\_B2o\_84-85\_T (Glen Garry?)*

286 Two shards  $\text{cm}^{-3}$  were found in sample TSK11\_B2o\_84-85\_T in non-laminated sediments at  
287 401.4 cm composite depth. The major element data of one of these colourless, highly  
288 vesicular shards indicate a high silica rhyolitic composition with relatively high silica (ca 77  
289 wt%) and low  $\text{K}_2\text{O}$  (ca 2.0 wt%) concentrations that resembles that of the late Holocene Glen  
290 Garry Tephra (GGT) (Fig 4c). The GGT was first detected in peat deposits in central Scotland  
291 (Dugmore et al., 1995a) and radiocarbon dated at  $2,088 \pm 122$  cal yr BP (Barber et al., 2008).  
292 The source of the GGT has not been identified yet, but geochemical similarities with the 2 ka  
293 Askja tephra point to the Dyngjufjöll volcanic system (Barber et al., 2008) (Fig. 4c). The  
294 GGT was recently also identified and OSL dated at  $2.1 \pm 0.1$  ka in the Mirkovice 33

295 archaeological site in NW Poland (Housley et al., 2013b) (Fig. 5). However, the correlation of  
296 the Glen Garry tephra in TSK sediments is based only on one single analytical point and thus  
297 needs further proof. Therefore, we only tentatively attribute this glass shard to this event  
298 mainly based on its dating in TSK sediments at ca 2100 cal yr BP (Fig. 6).

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300 *Sample TSK11\_B1u\_137-142\_T (unknown Grimsvötn?)*

301 Two brown, low vesicular glass shards occur in sample TSK11\_B1u\_137-142\_T between  
302 237.7 and 243.5 cm composite depth (240.6 cm mid-point composite depth). This basaltic  
303 cryptotephra is located in the uppermost, non-laminated sediments of the TSK record and  
304 dates between ca 1060±75 and 1094±75 cal yr BP (~AD890 - AD856) according to varve  
305 supported sedimentation rate estimates. During historical times, at least three basaltic  
306 eruptions occurred from Icelandic volcanoes with widespread tephra dispersal, i.e. the AD870  
307 Landnám eruption from the Vatnaöldur crater, the AD~934 Eldgjá fissure eruption in the  
308 Eastern Volcanic Zone and the AD1477 Veiðivötn eruption (Larsen et al., 1999; Larsen et al.,  
309 2002; Óladóttir et al., 2011). The major element chemistry of the TSK tephra, however, does  
310 not match the composition of either of those tephra, but shows a strong affinity to the  
311 Grimsvötn system due to the typical high TiO<sub>2</sub> concentrations of ca 2.8 wt% (Fig. 4b). Larsen  
312 (1984) noted Grimsvötn activity between the Landnám and Eldgjá eruptions; furthermore,  
313 still emerging medial-distal tephra data indicate that the Grimsvötn system produced at least  
314 six individual tephra layers with almost identical glass composition during this time interval  
315 (Óladóttir et al., 2011) (Fig. 4b). Therefore, and because of the low number of detected glass  
316 shards in TSK sediments prevents from an attribution to a specific event.

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318 *Sample TSK11\_K3\_33-34\_T (Askja-AD1875)*

319 The uppermost cryptotephra in the TSK sequence, TSK11\_K3\_33-34\_T, occurs in 46.7 cm  
320 composite depth and encompasses at least 40 colourless to light brownish glass shards (Fig.

321 3). The cryptotephra is positioned in non-laminated sediments ca 9 cm below the topmost  
322 well-varved interval which dates between AD2010 and AD1924 (Kienel et al., 2013). The  
323 major element composition of glass shards is heterogeneous rhyolitic with two populations  
324 that mainly differ in CaO (2.3-2.8 wt% vs. 3.2-3.4 wt %) and FeO (3.1-3.9 wt% vs. 4.5-4.8  
325 wt%) concentrations (Table 1). The glass chemistry shows some affinity to the Glen Garry  
326 Tephra with slightly higher TiO<sub>2</sub> (ca 0.7-1.2 wt%) and MgO (ca 0.7-1.0 wt%) contents.  
327 Several historical, silicic and widespread eruptions before AD1924 are reported from Iceland,  
328 i.e. Askja-AD1875, Hekla AD1510, Öræfajökull AD1362 and Hekla-AD1104 (e.g. Larsen et  
329 al., 1999; 2002; Óladóttir et al., 2011). The best geochemical match of tephra TSK11\_K3\_33-  
330 34\_T is given for the Askja-AD1875 tephra (Fig. 4a). The Plinian Askja-AD1875 eruption  
331 occurred at the Dyngjufjöll volcanic centre in NE Iceland and resulted in the formation of the  
332 Öskjuvatn caldera, which is nested within the larger and older (10-ka) Askja caldera (e.g.  
333 Sigurdsson and Sparks, 1978, 1981). Askja-AD1875 was one of the largest historical eruption  
334 on Iceland with a magnitude of VEI 5 (<http://www.volcano.si.edu>; Carey et al., 2009). The  
335 main eruption started on March 28<sup>th</sup> 1875 and produced a series of subplinian fallout (Unit B),  
336 phreatoplinian fall (Unit C1) and flow (Unit C2) and Plinian fallout deposits (Unit D) (Carey  
337 et al., 2009; Self and Sparks, 1978). Tephra from units C and subunits D1, D3 and D5 were  
338 widely dispersed towards the East and Southeast over Scandinavia (Carey et al., 2009; Mohn,  
339 1878) and have been found in numerous lake and peat records in Norway (e.g. Pilcher et al.,  
340 2005), Sweden (e.g. Bergman et al., 2004; Boyle, 1998; Davies et al., 2007; Oldfield et al.,  
341 1997; Wastegård, 2005; Wastegård and Davies, 2009), and possibly N central Germany (Van  
342 den Bogaard and Schmincke, 2002) (Fig. 5). The composition of the Askja-AD1875 tephra in  
343 TSK sediments is similar to that of other distal tephras and that of proximal Unit D fallout  
344 deposits (Fig. 4a). The Askja-AD1875 tephra is an excellent time marker in TSK sediments  
345 that allows the precise synchronization with palaeoenvironmental records from Scandinavia  
346 and across the western and central Baltic region.

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348 **4.2 Lake Czechowskie Holocene tephrostratigraphy**

349 *Sample JC12\_D6\_112-113\_T (Hässeldalen)*

350 The lowermost cryptotephra JC12\_D6\_112-113\_T in Lake Czechowskie is embedded in  
351 laminated sediments in 1158.5 cm composite depth, 18 cm above the biostratigraphically  
352 defined Younger Dryas/Holocene transition (Ott et al., submitted). The tephra exhibited 3  
353 colourless, high-vesicular shards  $\text{cm}^{-3}$ , which all show a rhyolitic composition. The major  
354 element glass chemistry is characterized by relatively low FeO (ca 1.2 wt%) and CaO (ca 0.5  
355 wt%) contents, as well as high SiO<sub>2</sub> (77.9-78.3 wt%) and K<sub>2</sub>O (3.9-4.5 wt%) concentrations.  
356 The glass chemical composition in combination with the stratigraphic position of tephra  
357 JC12\_D6\_112-113\_T above the Younger Dryas/Holocene boundary suggest a correlation  
358 with the early Holocene Hässeldalen tephra (HDT;  $11,380 \pm 216$  cal yr BP; Wohlfarth et al.,  
359 2006) (Fig. 4f) and is also comparable to tephra TSK13\_F6\_99-100\_T from Lake Tiefer See.  
360 The HDT represents an isochron for the synchronization of JC and TSK sediment records ca.  
361 200 years after the onset of the Holocene.

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363 *Sample JC12\_D6\_95-95.5\_T (Askja-S)*

364 Cryptotephra JC12\_D6\_95-95.5\_T is positioned in laminated sediments in 1141.25 cm  
365 composite depth, ca 17 cm above the Hässeldalen Tephra. It contained 22 colourless, high  
366 vesicular to cuspatate glass shards  $\text{cm}^{-3}$  (Fig. 3), of which 13 shards have been geochemically  
367 analysed. The major element chemistry revealed a homogeneous, high silica (76.2-77.1 wt%)  
368 rhyolitic composition that matches best the glass compositions of the early Holocene Askja-S  
369 tephra (Fig. 4d). Since it further resembles the Tiefer See tephra TSK13\_F6\_91-92\_T both  
370 lake records can be unequivocally synchronized using this cryptotephra.

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372 *Samples JC09\_B2\_170-173\_T and JC09\_B2\_155-158\_T (unknown Icelandic?)*

373 Two cryptotephras of identical composition have been identified in varved late Holocene JC  
374 sediments in 495.5 cm and 480.5 cm composite depth. Samples JC09\_B2\_170-173\_T and  
375 JC09\_B2\_155-158\_T exhibited 2 and 6 shards per 3-cm<sup>3</sup>-sediment sample, respectively. All  
376 shards are colourless, highly vesicular and of high silica rhyolitic composition (Fig. 4c).  
377 Preliminary varve counting suggests a deposition of cryptotephras at 1960 ± 20 varve yr BP  
378 and 1890 ± 20 varve yr BP, respectively. Comparison with major element glass data of  
379 proximal and distal tephra from Iceland and Jan Mayen from this time period suggests a  
380 tentative match with the high-silica glass population of the DOM-4 tephra (ca 1550  
381 interpolated <sup>14</sup>C yr BP) from Dosenmoor in N Germany (van den Bogaard and Schmincke,  
382 2002) (Fig. 4c). DOM-4 has been assigned to unknown Icelandic silicic activities (van den  
383 Bogaard and Schmincke, 2002). Therewith, tephrae JC09\_B2\_170-173\_T and JC09\_B2\_155-  
384 158\_T cannot be used as isochrones for synchronization.

385

386 *Sample JC12\_K2\_35-36\_T (Askja-AD1875)*

387 The uppermost cryptotephra JC12\_K2\_35-36\_T is located in varved sediments in 48.5 cm  
388 composite depth. It revealed ten colourless to light brownish, high-vesicular glass shards (Fig.  
389 3) of homogenous rhyolitic composition. The major element glass chemistry strongly  
390 resembles that of the less evolved glass population of tephra TSK\_K3\_33-34\_T and the  
391 proximal Askja-AD1875 tephra deposits (Fig. 4a). The Askja-AD1875 tephra in Lake  
392 Czechowskie sediments is the first finding in Polish sites (Wulf et al., 2014). It provides an  
393 excellent correlation marker for the comparison of historical palaeoenvironmental data with  
394 Lake Tiefer See as well as other records.

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### 396 **4.3 Tephrochronologies**

#### 397 **4.3.1 Lake Tiefer See**

398 One visible tephra layer and seven cryptotephras have been identified in the sediment  
399 sequence of Lake Tiefer See. Six of these tephras were correlated with dated erupted events  
400 and thus represent well-suited time markers for the construction of a detailed  
401 tephrochronology of TSK sediments (Fig. 6a). The possible Hässeldalen and Askja-S tephras  
402 likely represent anchor points for the non-laminated early Holocene interval. The  
403 Saksunarvatn Ash layer ( $10,210 \pm 35$  cal yr BP), Lairg-B ( $6,683 \pm 45$  cal yr BP) and Hekla-4  
404 ( $4293 \pm 43$  cal yr BP) cryptotephras represent isochrones for the floating varved early to mid-  
405 Holocene intervals. The historical Askja-AD1875 tephra forms an essential time marker for  
406 the validation of sedimentation rate estimates in the partially non-laminated, late Holocene  
407 sediments. The tentatively assigned Glen Garry Tephra ( $2,088 \pm 122$  cal yr BP) is not used in  
408 the TSK age model since tephrochronological correlation still needs further proof. Based on  
409 the tephrochronological results, a preliminary chronology is constructed for the TSK sediment  
410 sequence. This chronology will be compared in detail with the on-going independent dating  
411 based on varve counting, sedimentation rate estimates and radiocarbon dating. Presently, we  
412 can roughly infer mean sedimentation rates of  $\sim 0.7$  mm/yr for the mid-Holocene since the  
413 deposition of the Hekla-4 tephra and  $1.0$  mm/yr up to  $3.5$  mm/yr during the late Holocene and  
414 recent time periods, respectively.

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#### 416 **4.3.2 Lake Czechowskie**

417 Five cryptotephra horizons have been identified in Lake Czechowskie sediments, of which  
418 three tephras provide robust anchor points for the JC chronology (Fig. 6b). The early  
419 Holocene Askja-S and the likely Hässeldalen tephras are especially important since they  
420 represent isochrones within the floating varved section between ca 12 m and 11 m composite  
421 depth. The Askja-AD1875 tephra is a time marker for the varved sediments of historical times  
422 and is applicable to validate varve counts in sub-recent sediments. Based only on the tephra  
423 occurrences we can calculate rough and average sedimentation rates for the Holocene (ca 1

424 mm/yr) and historical times after the Askja-AD1875 tephra (ca 3.6 mm/yr). However, the  
425 limited number of tephra anchor points obviously does not allow more detailed measurements  
426 of the variability.

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#### 428 **4.4 Tephra dispersal in central and northern Europe**

429 The tephra findings in the partially varved sediment records of Lake Tiefer See and Lake  
430 Czechowskie provide the potential to directly compare palaeoclimate information of these  
431 records with other high-resolution data from continental Central and Northern Europe. First  
432 examples from comparisons of varved Lateglacial records along E-W (Lake Meerfelder Maar,  
433 Rehwiese and Trzechowskie palaeolakes; Słowiński et al., 2014; Wulf et al., 2013) and N-S  
434 transects (Lakes Meerfelder Maar and Kråkenes; Lane et al., 2013; Rach et al., 2014) have  
435 demonstrated the capability of detangling temporal and spatial offsets of palaeoenvironmental  
436 and palaeoecological responses to past abrupt climate changes by using tephra isochrones.  
437 With the new results presented here, it is possible to extend these comparisons to the  
438 Holocene and historical time periods (Fig. 7).

439 The Askja-S and likely the Hässeldalen tephras are unequivocal marker layers for the  
440 synchronization of early Holocene sediment records. The number of sites where they have  
441 been found, however, is restricted to a few records in northern and central Europe (Fig. 5).  
442 Therefore our new findings in the TSK and JC records are a further addition to the  
443 construction of a more detailed dispersal map (Fig. 5). Their occurrences in the Polish site  
444 even are of particular interest, since this is, on the one hand, the furthest south-easterly  
445 dispersal so far (Fig. 5). Furthermore, the Hässeldalen and Askja-S tephras in Lake  
446 Czechowskie are the first occurrences in annually laminated sediments, thus allowing to apply  
447 a differential dating for estimating the time span between these two eruptions (Ott et al.,  
448 submitted).

449 The finding of the visible Saksunarvatn Ash in the TSK record, in turn, is in agreement with  
450 previous finds in NE Germany (Merkt et al., 1993; Bramham-Law et al., 2013) and thus  
451 confirms the proposed dispersal map by Davies et al. (2012) (Fig. 5). The Lairg-B and Hekla-  
452 4 tephra occurrences in TSK are the furthest towards the southeast and, similar to the likely  
453 Glen Garry tephra, supplements the previous findings in northern central Germany. The  
454 distribution of the historical Askja-AD1875 tephra has been eye-witnessed and described by  
455 an initial easterly dispersal axis that changed over Sweden into a southerly direction (Mohn,  
456 1878; Carey et al., 2009). However, findings of this tephra in sedimentary repositories are  
457 mainly restricted to Norway and Sweden; a single occurrence in N Germany is still debated  
458 (van den Bogaard and Schmincke, 2002). With the unambiguous identification of the Askja-  
459 AD1875 tephra in TSK and JC sediments we confirm the southerly dispersal direction and  
460 extend the distribution limit further to the east than previously supposed (Fig. 5).

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## 462 **5. Conclusions**

463 The recently developed methods for cryptotephra identification allowed detecting and  
464 geochemical fingerprinting of thirteen cryptotephras from at least ten distinct eruptions of  
465 Icelandic volcanoes in the Holocene sediments of Lake Tiefer See and Lake Czechowskie.  
466 Half of cryptotephras are characterized by very low glass shard concentrations (e.g. 1-3 shards  
467 per 1-5 cm<sup>3</sup> sediment samples) due to the extreme distal location of investigated sites. Those  
468 shards are interpreted as primary deposits based on (1) the lack of findings in over- and  
469 underlying samples and (2) the non-disturbed and varved character of Holocene sediments.  
470 We need to stress, however, that further shard findings and geochemical analyses are needed  
471 to enhance the reliability of some of our tephra correlations. Accordingly, we used mainly  
472 tephras with higher shard concentrations, i.e. the Askja-AD1875, Saksunarvatn and Askja-S  
473 tephras, to construct reliable tephrochronologies that will, on the one hand, validate  
474 established varve chronologies and, on the other hand, provide valuable anchor points for

475 chronologies of intercalated varved and non-varved sections. In addition, these  
476 tephrochronologies are a prerequisite for the synchronization of proxy data from sediment  
477 records in the southern Baltic region and beyond, which was recently stressed by the  
478 INTIMATE (INTegrating Ice core, Marine and TERrestrial records) group (Feurdean et al.;  
479 2014). The cryptotephra findings especially in Lake Czechowskie evidence a further eastward  
480 dispersal of Lateglacial and Holocene volcanic ash from Iceland than previously proposed.  
481 Moreover, our results demonstrate the great potential also for other recently reported varved  
482 lake sediment records from northern Poland (Kinder et al., 2013; Tylmann et al., 2013a;  
483 2013b) and the key palaeoclimate records from Lake Gościąż and Perespilno (Goslar et al.,  
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**Table 1:** Individual, non-normalized major element glass data of cryptotephras found in Lake Tiefer See.

Sample	SiO <sub>2</sub>	TiO <sub>2</sub>	Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	FeO <sub>tot</sub>	MnO	MgO	CaO	Na <sub>2</sub> O	K <sub>2</sub> O	P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	Total	Cl	F
<b>TSK11_K3_33-34_T</b>	74.14	0.77	12.19	3.23	0.11	0.69	2.26	3.38	2.48	0.12	99.37	0.05	0.00
46.7 cm	74.45	0.78	12.09	3.15	0.12	0.71	2.22	3.49	2.42	0.13	99.57	0.04	0.00
<i>Askja-AD1875</i>	74.83	0.83	12.29	3.36	0.10	0.70	2.54	3.52	2.31	0.15	100.6	0.03	0.00
	75.72	0.91	12.36	3.11	0.08	0.66	2.31	3.12	2.44	0.12	100.8	0.03	0.00
	75.41	0.74	12.23	3.19	0.08	0.65	2.33	3.18	2.46	0.13	100.4	0.04	0.00
	75.38	0.78	12.31	3.16	0.07	0.65	2.41	3.36	2.39	0.12	100.6	0.03	0.00
	75.17	0.82	12.21	3.35	0.11	0.74	2.48	3.63	2.31	0.12	100.9	0.03	0.00
	75.19	0.78	12.54	3.42	0.12	0.71	2.55	3.60	2.30	0.14	101.3	0.04	0.00
	73.39	0.91	12.59	3.73	0.13	0.86	2.72	3.21	2.26	0.17	99.96	0.04	0.00
	73.73	0.86	12.79	3.90	0.11	0.83	2.75	3.28	2.24	0.18	100.6	0.04	0.00
	71.81	1.08	13.01	4.57	0.12	1.06	3.28	3.72	2.13	0.24	101.0	0.03	0.00
	72.45	0.99	12.45	4.77	0.12	1.02	3.36	3.43	2.07	0.25	100.9	0.03	0.00
	71.67	1.17	12.54	4.78	0.13	0.96	3.33	3.55	2.25	0.24	100.6	0.03	0.00
<b>TSK11_B1u_137-142_T</b>	50.55	2.73	12.87	13.10	0.24	5.79	9.44	2.89	0.51	0.33	98.46	0.01	0.00
240.6 cm	50.54	2.77	12.89	12.65	0.21	5.66	9.53	2.81	0.51	0.32	97.89	0.02	0.00
<i>unknown Grimsvötn</i>													
<b>TSK11_B2o_84-85_T</b>	72.73	0.53	12.69	3.72	0.08	0.40	2.35	3.77	1.97	0.07	98.32	0.02	0.00
401.4 cm													
<i>Glen Garry?</i>													
<b>TSK11_A3_120-125_T</b>	73.68	0.10	13.03	1.93	0.07	0.01	1.31	3.97	2.74	0.01	96.85	0.08	0.03
607.9 cm	72.56	0.12	12.80	1.94	0.12	0.04	1.32	3.71	2.70	0.01	95.32	0.07	0.00
<i>Hekla-4</i>													
<b>TSK13_F5_37-43_T</b>	69.18	0.17	13.78	2.05	0.09	0.12	0.57	5.10	4.37	0.00	95.43	0.20	0.00
791.5 cm	69.44	0.20	13.94	2.28	0.10	0.15	0.63	5.31	4.22	0.00	96.27	0.21	0.00
<i>Lairg-B</i>													
<b>TSK13_F6_55_T</b>	50.42	3.05	12.73	13.90	0.24	5.56	9.46	2.83	0.43	0.33	98.95	0.01	0.00
989.2 cm	50.14	2.99	12.71	14.19	0.21	5.63	9.69	2.65	0.40	0.32	98.94	0.02	0.00
<i>Saksunarvatn</i>	50.85	3.14	12.86	14.08	0.20	5.26	9.40	2.66	0.48	0.33	99.25	0.00	0.00
	51.03	3.10	12.65	14.15	0.22	5.21	9.52	2.45	0.49	0.28	99.09	0.02	0.00



**Table 2:** Individual, non-normalized major element glass data of cryptotephras found in Lake Czechowskie.

Sample	SiO <sub>2</sub>	TiO <sub>2</sub>	Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	FeO <sub>tot</sub>	MnO	MgO	CaO	Na <sub>2</sub> O	K <sub>2</sub> O	P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	Total	Cl	F
<b>JC12_K2_35-36_T</b>	74.44	0.78	12.43	3.39	0.10	0.74	2.38	3.87	2.22	0.12	100.47	0.04	0.00
48.5 cm	75.08	0.77	12.27	3.33	0.10	0.71	2.36	3.67	2.34	0.14	100.77	0.05	0.00
<i>Askja-AD1875</i>													
<b>JC09_B2_155-158_T</b>	74.63	0.06	12.11	0.49	0.00	0.06	0.49	3.79	4.32	0.00	95.96	0.11	0.00
480.5 cm	73.99	0.06	12.38	0.58	0.05	0.06	0.44	3.38	4.52	0.01	95.46	0.09	0.00
<i>unknown Icelandic?</i>	73.89	0.07	12.02	0.53	0.04	0.03	0.55	3.35	4.28	0.00	94.77	0.11	0.00
	74.22	0.09	12.18	0.49	0.09	0.06	0.51	3.81	4.20	0.00	95.64	0.11	0.00
<b>JC09_B2_170-173_T</b>	74.04	0.04	11.88	0.54	0.08	0.05	0.53	3.44	4.09	0.00	94.70	0.11	0.00
495.5 cm	73.71	0.08	11.96	0.52	0.06	0.06	0.51	3.48	4.18	0.01	94.58	0.10	0.00
<i>unknown Icelandic?</i>													
<b>JC12_D6_95-95.5_T</b>	74.24	0.34	12.10	2.48	0.07	0.22	1.52	4.00	2.40	0.06	97.42	0.05	0.00
1141.25 cm	73.20	0.27	11.72	2.38	0.06	0.24	1.52	3.75	2.52	0.06	95.71	0.04	0.00
<i>Askja-S</i>	74.04	0.31	12.43	2.60	0.10	0.23	1.58	3.49	2.40	0.02	97.21	0.03	0.00
	73.25	0.33	11.76	2.43	0.07	0.23	1.52	3.87	2.45	0.05	95.96	0.03	0.00
	75.52	0.32	12.01	2.45	0.06	0.23	1.53	3.83	2.55	0.04	98.54	0.04	0.00
	74.40	0.31	11.92	2.51	0.08	0.26	1.54	3.81	2.51	0.01	97.35	0.05	0.00
	75.75	0.31	12.24	2.53	0.09	0.23	1.58	3.79	2.39	0.01	98.91	0.05	0.00
	74.21	0.28	11.86	2.48	0.06	0.21	1.56	3.80	2.47	0.10	97.03	0.04	0.00
	74.02	0.29	11.90	2.57	0.09	0.25	1.57	3.77	2.49	0.05	97.01	0.06	0.00
	75.70	0.26	12.25	2.59	0.13	0.28	1.60	3.85	2.48	0.04	99.19	0.06	0.00
	76.11	0.28	12.13	2.49	0.10	0.26	1.54	3.53	2.49	0.00	98.93	0.06	0.00
	75.75	0.32	12.17	2.38	0.08	0.22	1.49	3.44	2.49	0.04	98.37	0.04	0.00
	74.38	0.29	11.94	2.43	0.09	0.22	1.54	3.07	2.52	0.01	96.49	0.04	0.00
<b>JC12_D6_112-113_T</b>	74.67	0.09	11.69	0.88	0.00	0.00	0.40	3.22	4.27	0.00	95.21	0.13	0.00
1158.5 cm	74.49	0.13	12.05	1.15	0.07	0.03	0.47	2.97	3.75	0.01	95.12	0.13	0.00
<i>Hässeldalen</i>	73.24	0.10	11.83	1.13	0.06	0.04	0.47	2.96	4.02	0.04	93.89	0.13	0.02



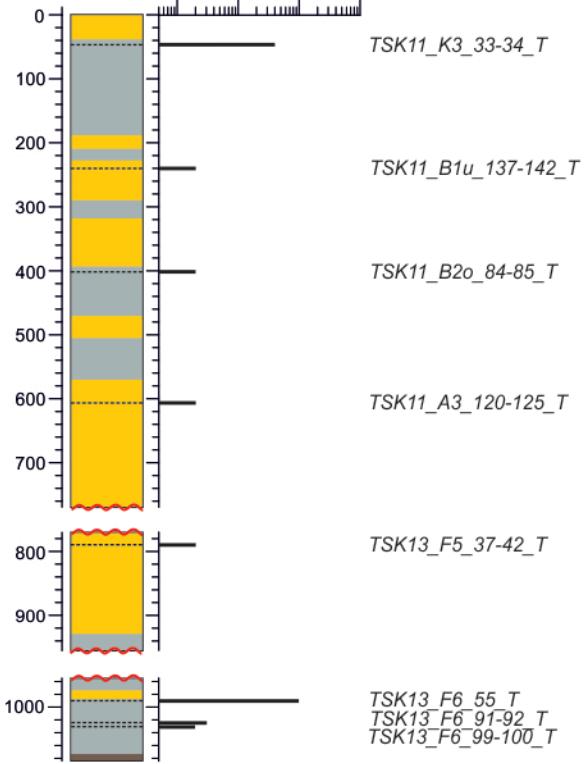
**Figure 1:** Overview map of NE Germany and NW Poland showing the location of Lake Tiefer See (TSK) and Lake Czechowskie (JC). The red dotted line indicates the position of the southerly ice advance of the Pomeranian phase at the end of the Weichselian glaciation. Inlet map is showing the position of European volcanoes mentioned in the text (black triangles) in relation to studied sites (black stars).

## Lake Tiefer See

# of tephra shards  $\text{cm}^{-3}$   
(wet sediment)

1      10      100      1000

Composite depth (cm)

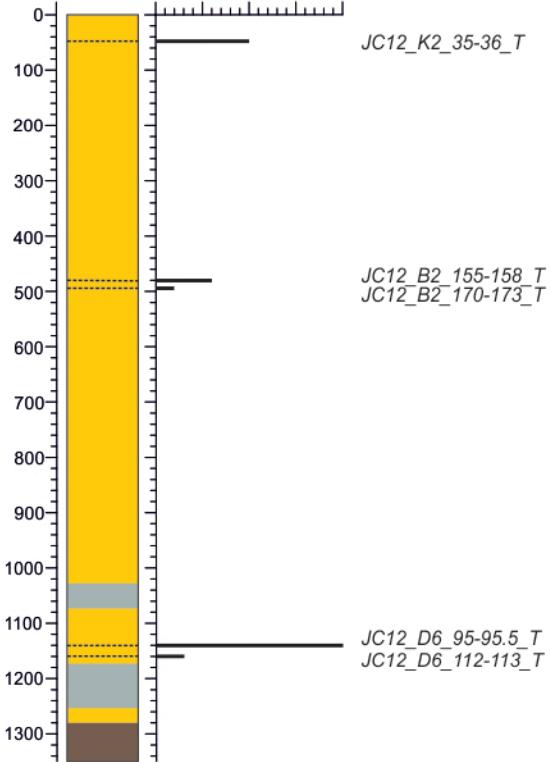


## Lake Czechowskie

# of tephra shards  $\text{cm}^{-3}$   
(wet sediment)

0      5      10      15      20

Composite depth (cm)



Legend:



varved sediments



homogeneous sediments

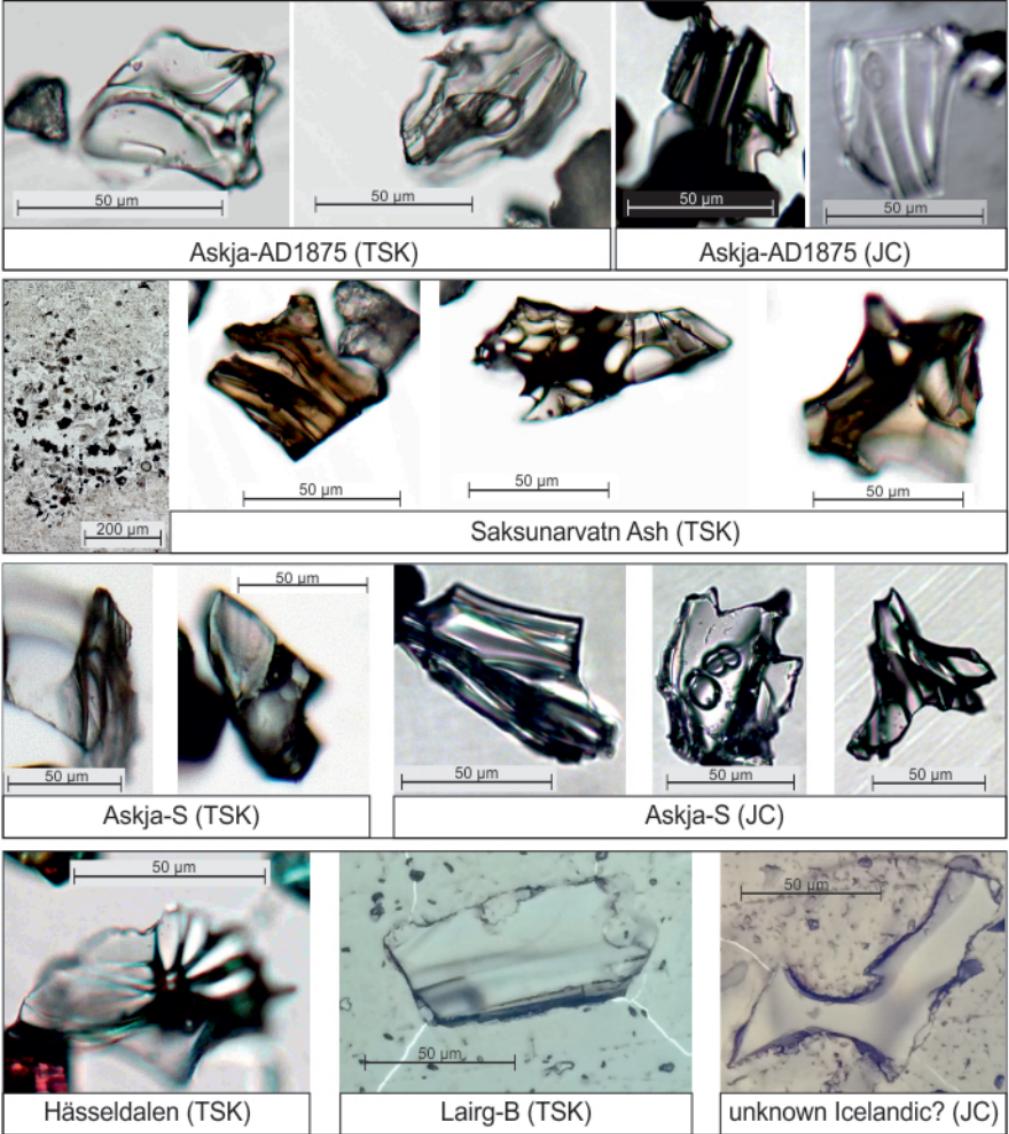


glacial-fluvial sand deposits

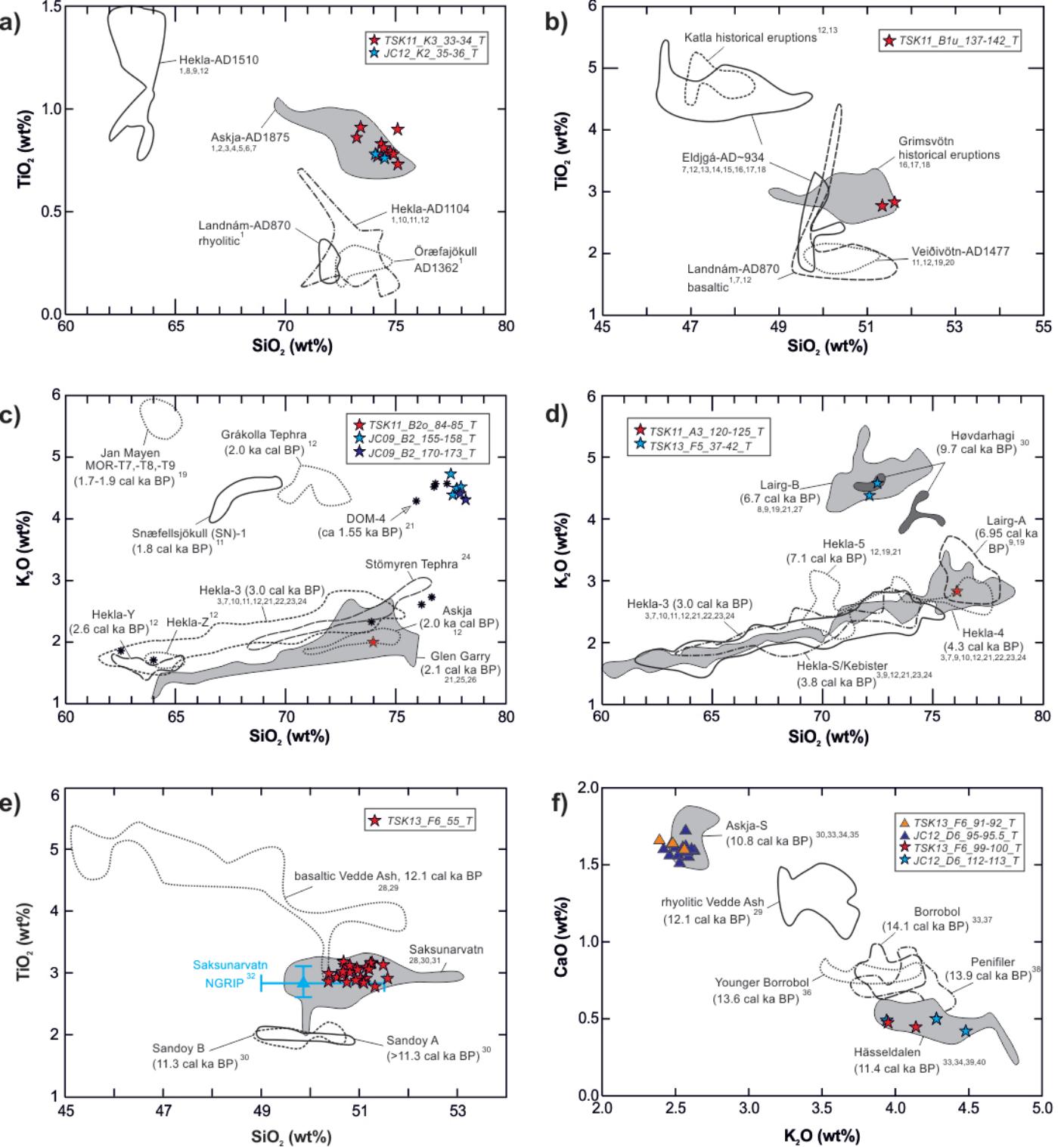


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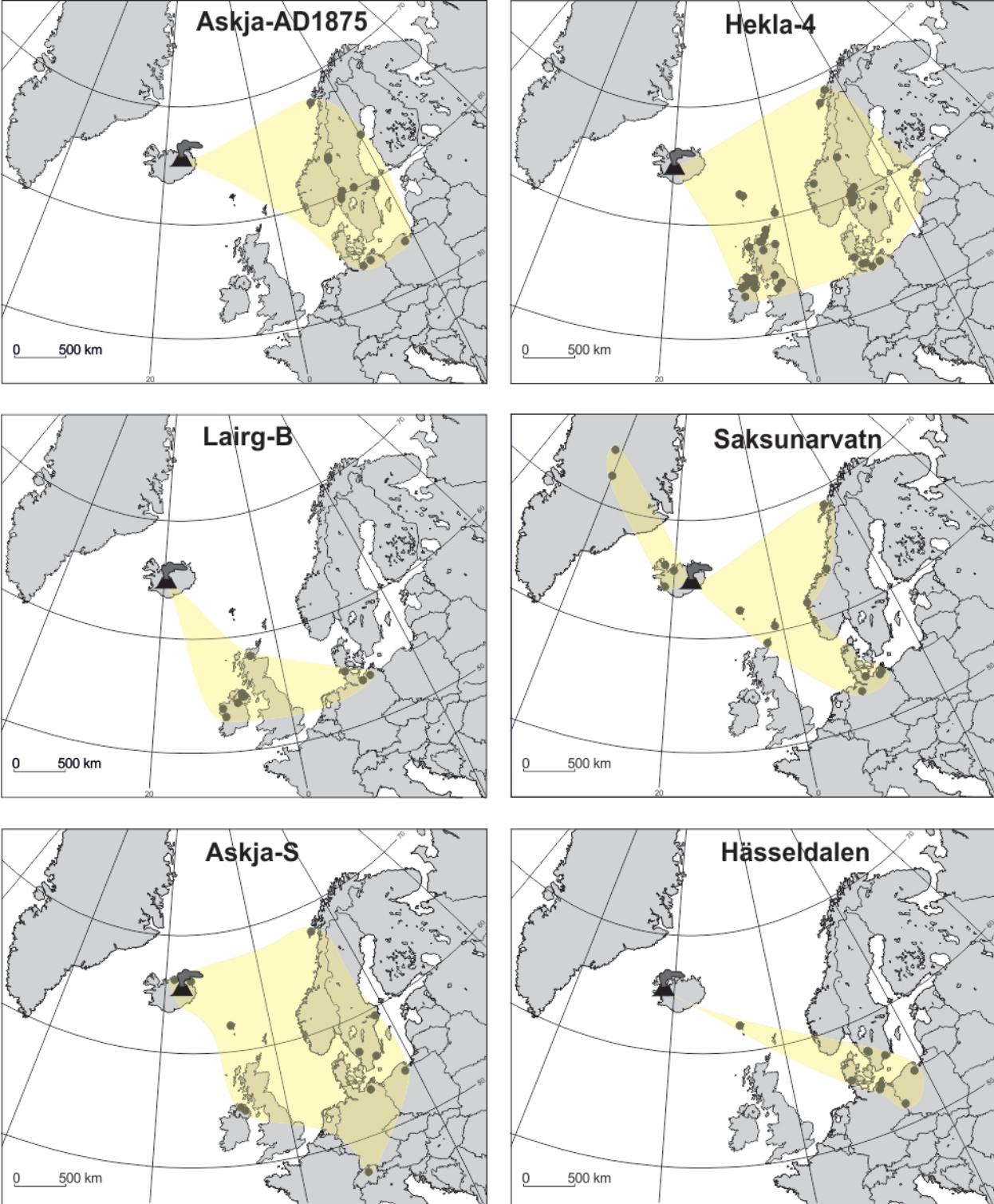
**Figure 2:** Lithology of the composite profile of Lake Tiefer See (left) and Lake Czechowskie (right) with positions of cryptotephras.



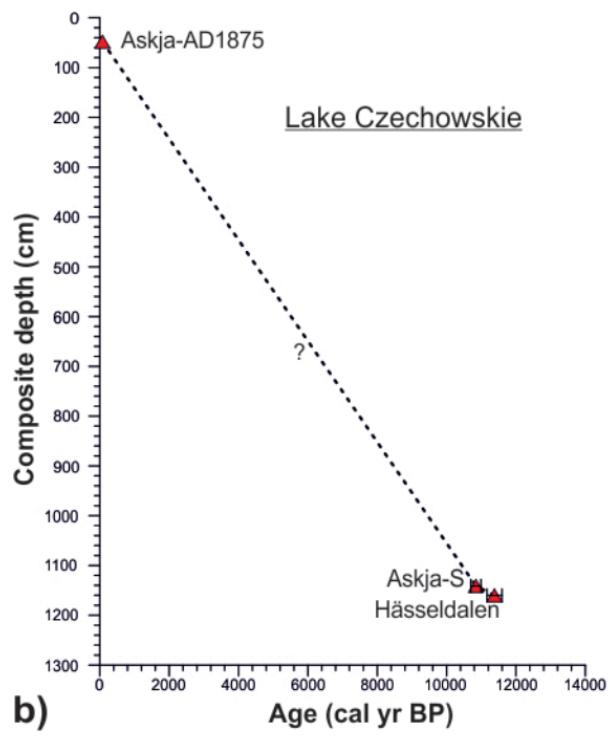
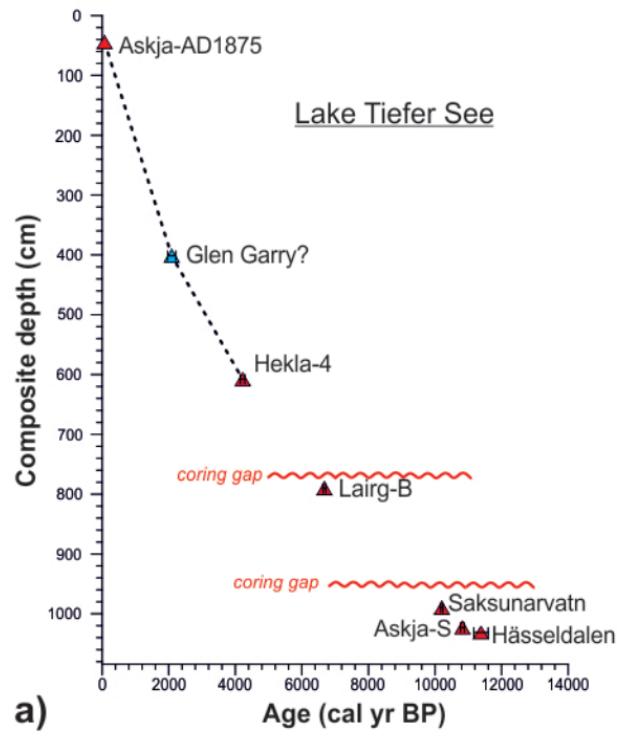
**Figure 3:** Transmitted light images of tephra glass shards from TSK and JC sediments correlated with Askja-AD1875 (TSK11\_K3\_33-34\_T, JC12\_K2\_35-36\_T), Saksunarvatn (TSK13\_F6\_55\_T), Askja-S (TSK13\_F6\_91-92\_T, JC12\_D6\_95-95.5\_T), Hässeldalen (TSK13\_F6\_99-100\_T), Lairg-B (TSK13\_F5\_37-42\_T, polished surface) and an unknown silicic Icelandic eruption (JC09\_B2\_170-173\_T, polished surface).



**Figure 4:** Geochemical bi-plots of normalized tephra glass data for tephra discrimination and correlation. (a) Askja-AD1875 tephra (TSK, JC); (b) Unknown Grimsvötn Ash (TSK); (c) Glen Garry and unknown late Holocene Icelandic tephras (TSK, JC); (d) Hekla-4 and Laирg-B tephras (TSK); (e) Saksumarvatn Ash (TSK); (f) Askja-S and Hässeldalen tephras (TSK, JC). EPMA reference data are obtained from: 1 ; 2 ; 7 this study; 8 Pilcher et al. (1996); 9 Dugmore et al. (1995b); 10 Eiríksson et al. (2000); 11 Larsen et al. (2002); 12 Óladóttir et al. (2011); 13 ; 14 ; 16 ; 19 ; 21 ; 22 Guðmundsdóttir et al. (2011); 23 Meara (2012); 24 Wastegård (2005); 25 Barber et al. (2008); 26 Housley et al. (2013); 27 Dörfler et al. (2012); 28 ; 29 ; 30 ; 31 ; 32 ; 33 ; 34 ; 35 ; 36 ; 37 ; 38 ; 39 ; 40 Lilja et al. (2013). Note that there are some effects of slight sodium migration (slightly higher  $\text{SiO}_2$  values, lower  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  and  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  concentrations) due to the small grain sizes of glass shards and respective small beam sizes that have been applied for EPMA.



**Figure 5:** Dispersal maps of Holocene and Lateglacial tephras in northern-central Europe modified after Lawson et al. (2012) and Davies et al. (2012). Black filled dots represent terrestrial sites of tephra findings (references see text).



**Figure 6:** Tephrochronologies of sediment sequences from Lake Tiefer See (a) and Lake Czechowskie (b). Red triangles are imported tephra ages (references see text) with a  $2\sigma$  error bar. The dotted lines result from linear interpolation between tephra ages, whereby the question mark at the JC tephrochronology indicates the difficulty of sedimentation rate estimations.

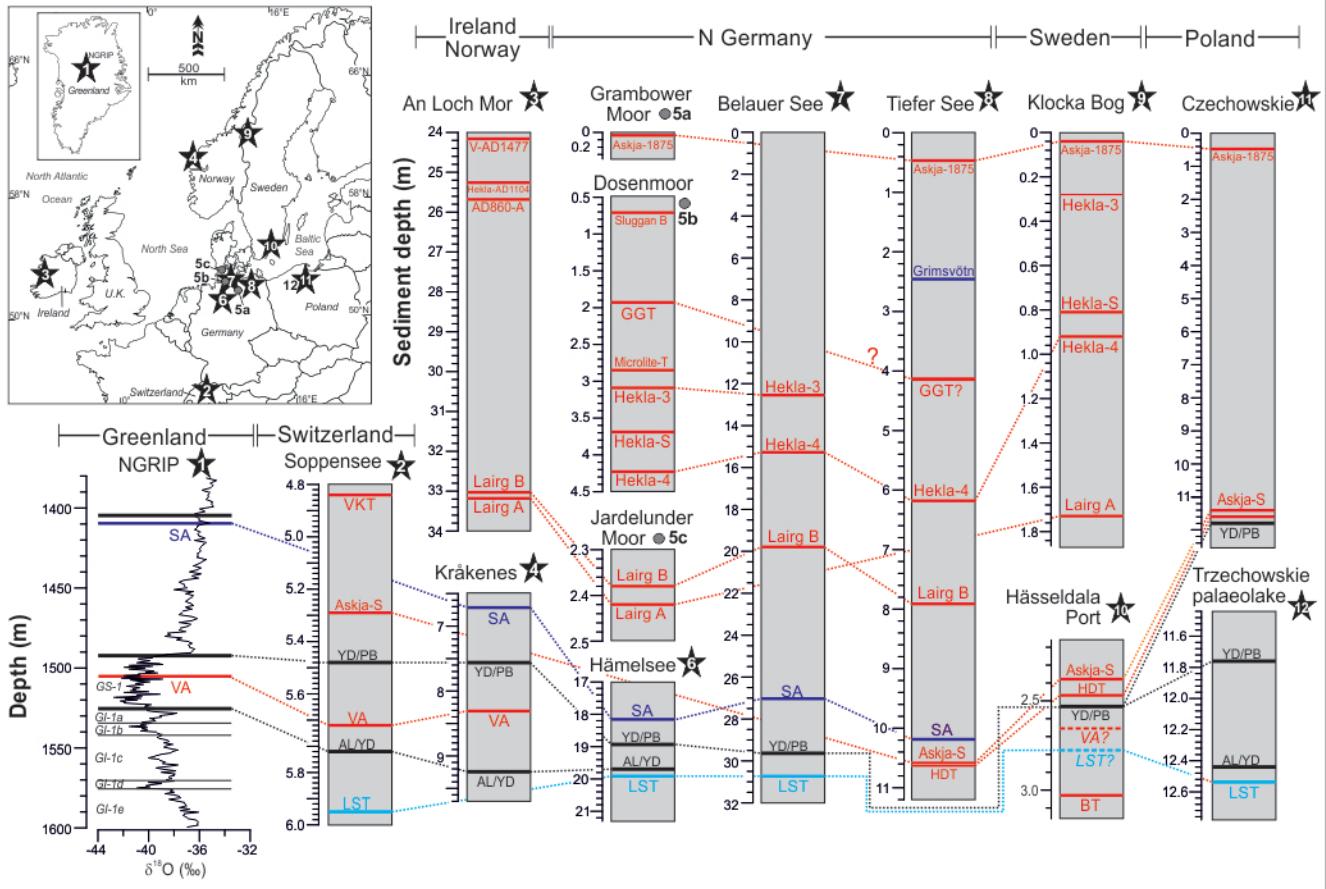


Figure 7: (a) Tephrostratigraphical linking of Lake Tiefer See and Lake Czechowskie sediment sequences with other high-resolution records from northern and central Europe. Note that all records are plotted against sediment depth in meter. Acronyms for biostratigraphical boundaries (black lines): PB=Preboreal, YD=Younger Dryas, AL=Allerød. Tephra acronyms: GGT=Glen Garry Tephra, VKT=Vasset-Kilian Tephra (French Massif Central), SA=Saksunarvatn Ash, HDT=Hässeldalen Tephra, VA=Vedde Ash, LST=Laacher See Tephra, BT=Borrobol Tephra. (b) Inlet map of central and northern Europe showing the location of sites used for tephrostratigraphical comparison. Data are obtained from: (1) NGRIP ; (2) Lake Soppensee ; (3) An Loch Mor ; (4) Kräkenes ; (5a) Grambower Moor; (5b) Dosenmoor; (5c) Jardelunder Moor ; (6) Hämelsee ; (7) Lake Belauer See ; (8) Lake Tiefer See (this study); (9) Klocka Bog ; (10) Hässeldala Port ; (11) Lake Czechowskie (this study); (12) Trzecowskie palaeolake .

**Lake Tiefer See**

Sample:	TSK11_K3_33-34_T	Glass standard:	SiO <sub>2</sub>	TiO <sub>2</sub>	Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	FeO	MnO	MgO	CaO	Na <sub>2</sub> O	K <sub>2</sub> O	P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	Cl	F	Total
Correlation:	Askja-AD1875	Lipari obsidian	75.14	0.04	12.99	1.41	0.07	0.02	0.73	3.91	5.24	0.00	0.34	0.04	99.94
Instrument:	JEOL JXA-8230	10 µm-beam	74.81	0.10	12.60	1.48	0.06	0.00	0.70	3.81	5.11	0.00	0.33	0.04	99.04
voltage:	15 kV	20 µm-beam													
beam current:	10 nA														
beam size:	8-10 µm														

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Sample:	TSK11_B1u_137-142_T	Glass standard:	SiO <sub>2</sub>	TiO <sub>2</sub>	Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	FeO	MnO	MgO	CaO	Na <sub>2</sub> O	K <sub>2</sub> O	P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	Cl	F	Total
Correlation:	unknown Grimsvötn	Lipari obsidian	75.27	0.10	12.75	1.51	0.06	0.03	0.74	3.92	4.87	0.01	0.34	0.00	99.59
Instrument:	JEOL JXA-8230	10 µm-beam	74.78	0.07	12.73	1.51	0.10	0.04	0.72	3.95	4.94	0.00	0.33	0.00	99.17
voltage:	15 kV	15 µm-beam	74.68	0.09	12.55	1.41	0.03	0.05	0.75	3.88	4.92	0.01	0.34	0.00	98.71
beam current:	10 nA	20 µm-beam													
beam size:	8 µm														

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Sample:	TSK11_B2o_84-85_T	Glass standard:	SiO <sub>2</sub>	TiO <sub>2</sub>	Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	FeO	MnO	MgO	CaO	Na <sub>2</sub> O	K <sub>2</sub> O	P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	Cl	F	Total
Correlation:	Glen Garry?	Lipari obsidian	74.55	0.07	13.17	1.46	0.08	0.02	0.74	3.83	5.22	0.00	0.36	0.00	99.50
Instrument:	JEOL JXA-8230	5 µm-beam	73.94	0.04	13.05	1.51	0.08	0.05	0.72	3.61	5.26	0.00	0.34	0.07	98.66
voltage:	15 kV	10 µm-beam	74.61	0.10	13.22	1.58	0.02	0.06	0.73	3.99	5.21	0.00	0.36	0.00	99.89
beam current:	10 nA	15 µm-beam	74.41	0.09	12.99	1.51	0.06	0.03	0.73	3.79	5.15	0.00	0.38	0.00	99.14
beam size:	8 µm	20 µm-beam													

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Sample:	TSK11_A3_120-125_T	Glass standard:	SiO <sub>2</sub>	TiO <sub>2</sub>	Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	FeO	MnO	MgO	CaO	Na <sub>2</sub> O	K <sub>2</sub> O	P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	Cl	F	Total
Correlation:	Hekla-4	Lipari obsidian	74.55	0.07	13.17	1.46	0.08	0.02	0.74	3.83	5.22	0.00	0.36	0.00	99.50
Instrument:	JEOL JXA-8230	5 µm-beam	73.94	0.04	13.05	1.51	0.08	0.05	0.72	3.61	5.26	0.00	0.34	0.07	98.66
voltage:	15 kV	10 µm-beam	74.61	0.10	13.22	1.58	0.02	0.06	0.73	3.99	5.21	0.00	0.36	0.00	99.89
beam current:	10 nA	15 µm-beam	74.41	0.09	12.99	1.51	0.06	0.03	0.73	3.79	5.15	0.00	0.38	0.00	99.14
beam size:	5 µm	20 µm-beam													

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Sample:	TSK13_F5_37-43_T	Glass standard:
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<b>Correlation:</b>	Lairg-B	Lipari obsidian	<b>SiO<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>TiO<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub></b>	<b>FeO</b>	<b>MnO</b>	<b>MgO</b>	<b>CaO</b>	<b>Na<sub>2</sub>O</b>	<b>K<sub>2</sub>O</b>	<b>P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub></b>	<b>Cl</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Instrument:</b>	JEOL JXA-8230	5 µm-beam	73.46	0.08	13.27	1.42	0.08	0.05	0.64	4.01	5.19	0.00	0.35	0.00	98.55
<b>voltage:</b>	15 kV	10 µm-beam	73.34	0.06	13.33	1.44	0.03	0.05	0.62	4.31	5.11	0.03	0.35	0.00	98.66
<b>beam current:</b>	10 nA	20 µm-beam	72.79	0.09	13.16	1.39	0.11	0.05	0.57	4.39	5.02	0.00	0.38	0.00	97.95
<b>beam size:</b>	8 µm														

<b>Sample:</b>	<b>TSK13_F6_55_T</b>	<b>Glass standard:</b>	<b>SiO<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>TiO<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub></b>	<b>FeO</b>	<b>MnO</b>	<b>MgO</b>	<b>CaO</b>	<b>Na<sub>2</sub>O</b>	<b>K<sub>2</sub>O</b>	<b>P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub></b>	<b>Cl</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Correlation:</b>	Saksunarvatn	Lipari obsidian													
<b>Instrument:</b>	JEOL JXA-8230	10 µm-beam	76.08	0.12	12.81	1.53	0.07	0.05	0.73	3.83	5.04	0.03	0.33	0.00	100.62
<b>voltage:</b>	15 kV	20 µm-beam	75.36	0.07	12.64	1.48	0.08	0.03	0.76	3.96	5.24	0.00	0.33	0.03	99.98
<b>beam current:</b>	10 nA														
<b>beam size:</b>	10 µm														

<b>Sample:</b>	<b>TSK13_F6_91-92_T</b>	<b>Glass standard:</b>	<b>SiO<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>TiO<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub></b>	<b>FeO</b>	<b>MnO</b>	<b>MgO</b>	<b>CaO</b>	<b>Na<sub>2</sub>O</b>	<b>K<sub>2</sub>O</b>	<b>P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub></b>	<b>Cl</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Correlation:</b>	Askja-S	Lipari obsidian													
<b>Instrument:</b>	JEOL JXA-8230	5 µm-beam	74.14	0.10	13.04	2.03	0.11	0.03	0.71	3.80	5.12	0.00	0.31	0.00	99.39
<b>voltage:</b>	15 kV	10 µm-beam	74.58	0.07	13.20	1.66	0.07	0.07	0.78	3.91	5.23	0.01	0.33	0.00	99.90
<b>beam current:</b>	10 nA	15 µm-beam	74.81	0.09	13.02	1.55	0.03	0.02	0.74	4.10	5.30	0.02	0.37	0.00	100.06
<b>beam size:</b>	5 µm	20 µm-beam	74.95	0.09	13.17	1.57	0.08	0.04	0.71	3.88	5.15	0.00	0.35	0.00	99.99

<b>Sample:</b>	<b>TSK13_F6_99-100_T</b>	<b>Glass standard:</b>	<b>SiO<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>TiO<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub></b>	<b>FeO</b>	<b>MnO</b>	<b>MgO</b>	<b>CaO</b>	<b>Na<sub>2</sub>O</b>	<b>K<sub>2</sub>O</b>	<b>P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub></b>	<b>Cl</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Correlation:</b>	Hässeldalen	Lipari obsidian													
<b>Instrument:</b>	JEOL JXA-8230	10 µm-beam	76.06	0.07	12.95	1.45	0.06	0.06	0.72	3.73	5.07	0.00	0.35	0.02	100.53
<b>voltage:</b>	15 kV	15 µm-beam	75.96	0.11	12.87	1.52	0.05	0.04	0.76	3.79	5.17	0.01	0.38	0.00	100.66
<b>beam current:</b>	10 nA	20 µm-beam	75.78	0.03	12.80	1.63	0.05	0.04	0.71	3.90	5.16	0.02	0.33	0.00	100.45
<b>beam size:</b>	8 µm														

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<b>Sample:</b>	<b>JC12_K2_35-36_T</b>	<b>Glass standard:</b>													
<b>Correlation:</b>	Askja-AD1875	Lipari obsidian	<b>SiO<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>TiO<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub></b>	<b>FeO</b>	<b>MnO</b>	<b>MgO</b>	<b>CaO</b>	<b>Na<sub>2</sub>O</b>	<b>K<sub>2</sub>O</b>	<b>P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub></b>	<b>Cl</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Instrument:</b>	JEOL JXA-8230	10 µm-beam	76.06	0.07	12.95	1.45	0.06	0.06	0.72	3.73	5.07	0.00	0.35	0.02	100.53
<b>voltage:</b>	15 kV	15 µm-beam	75.96	0.11	12.87	1.52	0.05	0.04	0.76	3.79	5.17	0.01	0.38	0.00	100.66
<b>beam current:</b>	10 nA	20 µm-beam	75.78	0.03	12.80	1.63	0.05	0.04	0.71	3.90	5.16	0.02	0.33	0.00	100.45
<b>beam size:</b>	8 µm														

<b>Sample:</b>	<b>JC09_B2_155-158_T</b>	<b>Glass standard:</b>													
	<b>JC09_B2_170-173_T</b>	Lipari obsidian	<b>SiO<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>TiO<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub></b>	<b>FeO</b>	<b>MnO</b>	<b>MgO</b>	<b>CaO</b>	<b>Na<sub>2</sub>O</b>	<b>K<sub>2</sub>O</b>	<b>P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub></b>	<b>Cl</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Correlation:</b>	?	5 µm-beam	73.46	0.08	13.27	1.42	0.08	0.05	0.64	4.01	5.19	0.00	0.35	0.00	98.55
<b>Instrument:</b>	JEOL JXA-8230	10 µm-beam	73.34	0.06	13.33	1.44	0.03	0.05	0.62	4.31	5.11	0.03	0.35	0.00	98.66
<b>voltage:</b>	15 kV	20 µm-beam	72.79	0.09	13.16	1.39	0.11	0.05	0.57	4.39	5.02	0.00	0.38	0.00	97.95
<b>beam current:</b>	10 nA														
<b>beam size:</b>	8 µm														

<b>Sample:</b>	<b>JC12_D6_95-95.5_T</b>	<b>Glass standard:</b>													
<b>Correlation:</b>	Askja-S	Lipari obsidian	<b>SiO<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>TiO<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub></b>	<b>FeO</b>	<b>MnO</b>	<b>MgO</b>	<b>CaO</b>	<b>Na<sub>2</sub>O</b>	<b>K<sub>2</sub>O</b>	<b>P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub></b>	<b>Cl</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Instrument:</b>	JEOL JXA-8230	10 µm-beam	73.61	0.09	12.87	1.55	0.06	0.03	0.71	4.02	5.22	0.02	0.37	0.00	98.55
<b>voltage:</b>	15 kV	15 µm-beam	73.53	0.10	12.85	1.61	0.11	0.02	0.72	4.06	5.30	0.00	0.37	0.00	98.66
<b>beam current:</b>	10 nA	20 µm-beam	73.56	0.05	12.78	1.49	0.11	0.05	0.72	4.01	5.26	0.00	0.34	0.00	98.36
<b>beam size:</b>	5-8 µm														

<b>Sample:</b>	<b>JC12_D6_112-113_T</b>	<b>Glass standard:</b>													
<b>Correlation:</b>	Hässeldalen	Lipari obsidian	<b>SiO<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>TiO<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub></b>	<b>FeO</b>	<b>MnO</b>	<b>MgO</b>	<b>CaO</b>	<b>Na<sub>2</sub>O</b>	<b>K<sub>2</sub>O</b>	<b>P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub></b>	<b>Cl</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Instrument:</b>	JEOL JXA-8230	5 µm-beam	74.14	0.10	13.04	2.03	0.11	0.03	0.71	3.80	5.12	0.00	0.31	0.00	99.39
<b>voltage:</b>	15 kV	10 µm-beam	74.58	0.07	13.20	1.66	0.07	0.07	0.78	3.91	5.23	0.01	0.33	0.00	99.90
<b>beam current:</b>	10 nA	15 µm-beam	74.81	0.09	13.02	1.55	0.03	0.02	0.74	4.10	5.30	0.02	0.37	0.00	100.06
<b>beam size:</b>	5 µm	20 µm-beam	74.95	0.09	13.17	1.57	0.08	0.04	0.71	3.88	5.15	0.00	0.35	0.00	99.99

Proximal IcelandicTephras

Sample	Beam size	SiO <sub>2</sub>	TiO <sub>2</sub>	Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	FeO	MnO	MgO	CaO	Na <sub>2</sub> O	K <sub>2</sub> O	P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	Cl	F	Total	Origin
Askja-AD1875 proximal	5 µm	74.25	0.81	12.92	3.76	0.10	0.69	2.31	3.38	2.46	0.12	0.04	0.00	100.85	proximal deposits of Unit D of the Askja-AD1875 eruption
Askja-AD1875 proximal	5 µm	73.61	0.78	12.75	3.52	0.10	0.68	2.22	3.29	2.50	0.17	0.04	0.00	99.67	Location: section at Herdubreidatögl, 20 km ENE (60°) of Askja
Askja-AD1875 proximal	5 µm	74.73	0.72	12.58	3.42	0.13	0.55	2.02	3.28	2.55	0.08	0.05	0.00	100.10	
Askja-AD1875 proximal	5 µm	73.94	0.80	12.59	3.72	0.08	0.63	2.19	3.43	2.46	0.14	0.05	0.00	100.02	
Askja-AD1875 proximal	5 µm	73.80	0.73	12.73	3.45	0.12	0.70	2.35	3.37	2.53	0.18	0.04	0.00	99.99	
Askja-AD1875 proximal	5 µm	74.98	0.75	12.50	3.69	0.07	0.47	1.95	3.69	2.63	0.12	0.05	0.00	100.90	
Askja-AD1875 proximal	5 µm	73.44	0.84	12.92	3.76	0.08	0.73	2.36	3.65	2.41	0.14	0.05	0.02	100.39	
Askja-AD1875 proximal	5 µm	74.34	0.80	12.76	3.59	0.07	0.65	2.30	3.41	2.53	0.15	0.03	0.00	100.63	
Askja-AD1875 proximal	5 µm	73.73	0.77	12.67	3.58	0.11	0.65	2.28	3.70	2.51	0.09	0.05	0.06	100.19	
Askja-AD1875 proximal	5 µm	73.02	0.79	13.02	3.99	0.10	0.75	2.57	3.33	2.30	0.20	0.05	0.00	100.11	
Askja-AD1875 proximal	5 µm	73.59	0.81	12.89	4.01	0.13	0.77	2.50	3.59	2.38	0.09	0.05	0.01	100.82	
Askja-AD1875 proximal	5 µm	73.50	0.80	12.90	3.62	0.12	0.65	2.31	3.69	2.37	0.15	0.06	0.00	100.18	
Askja-AD1875 proximal	5 µm	73.30	0.72	13.02	3.50	0.11	0.65	2.35	3.65	2.43	0.17	0.04	0.02	99.96	
Askja-AD1875 proximal	5 µm	72.67	0.81	12.74	3.85	0.08	0.70	2.31	3.43	2.31	0.16	0.05	0.00	99.11	
Askja-AD1875 proximal	5 µm	71.62	0.96	13.13	4.60	0.09	0.85	2.93	3.71	2.17	0.22	0.04	0.01	100.33	
Askja-AD1875 proximal	5 µm	73.40	0.82	12.98	3.77	0.09	0.72	2.29	3.27	2.38	0.18	0.05	0.03	99.98	
Askja-AD1875 proximal	5 µm	73.92	0.74	12.71	3.39	0.11	0.61	2.06	3.28	2.50	0.19	0.04	0.00	99.54	
Askja-AD1875 proximal	5 µm	73.34	0.92	12.97	4.01	0.10	0.81	2.43	3.25	2.42	0.17	0.04	0.00	100.46	
Askja-AD1875 proximal	5 µm	73.41	0.81	12.79	3.49	0.06	0.68	2.21	3.46	2.42	0.11	0.04	0.02	99.52	
Askja-AD1875 proximal	5 µm	74.56	0.72	12.45	3.20	0.08	0.49	2.00	3.22	2.56	0.09	0.04	0.00	99.41	
Askja-AD1875 proximal	5 µm	72.55	0.86	13.27	4.08	0.14	0.81	2.66	3.45	2.31	0.16	0.04	0.02	100.34	
Askja-AD1875 proximal	5 µm	73.83	0.78	12.91	3.67	0.11	0.66	2.29	3.54	2.48	0.19	0.05	0.00	100.50	
Askja-AD1875 proximal	5 µm	73.37	0.84	12.71	3.83	0.09	0.70	2.27	3.40	2.38	0.17	0.04	0.00	99.80	
Askja-AD1875 proximal	5 µm	73.93	0.78	12.65	3.61	0.09	0.63	2.27	3.63	2.52	0.14	0.05	0.00	100.29	
Landnám-AD870	8 µm	50.79	1.76	13.55	12.51	0.23	7.02	11.36	2.40	0.21	0.15	0.02	0.00	99.99	medial-dital deposits of the Landnám-AD870 eruption
Landnám-AD870	8 µm	50.31	1.73	13.41	13.01	0.19	7.14	11.43	2.35	0.22	0.19	0.01	0.01	100.00	Location: road cut on Road F26 (Sigalda)
Landnám-AD870	8 µm	50.56	1.70	13.27	11.40	0.20	6.96	11.40	2.31	0.17	0.18	0.01	0.00	98.17	

Landnám-AD870	8 µm	50.79	1.86	13.33	13.13	0.26	6.82	11.09	2.35	0.24	0.17	0.02	0.00	100.05
Landnám-AD870	8 µm	50.58	1.77	13.18	11.73	0.19	7.05	11.37	2.38	0.24	0.18	0.01	0.00	98.67
Landnám-AD870	8 µm	50.19	1.70	13.43	12.43	0.21	7.03	11.32	2.32	0.21	0.16	0.02	0.00	99.03
Landnám-AD870	8 µm	51.10	1.83	13.40	12.51	0.19	6.57	11.17	2.47	0.21	0.21	0.00	0.00	99.66
Landnám-AD870	8 µm	50.79	1.90	13.45	12.22	0.20	6.99	11.39	2.41	0.21	0.17	0.00	0.00	99.73
Landnám-AD870	8 µm	50.18	1.76	13.41	12.38	0.22	6.90	11.36	2.25	0.24	0.20	0.00	0.00	98.90
Landnám-AD870	8 µm	50.54	1.78	13.48	11.96	0.21	7.03	11.38	2.29	0.17	0.14	0.01	0.00	98.99
Landnám-AD870	8 µm	50.58	1.91	13.14	12.66	0.22	6.70	11.05	2.45	0.23	0.20	0.01	0.00	99.15
Landnám-AD870	8 µm	50.65	1.89	13.34	12.52	0.18	6.73	11.10	2.38	0.23	0.21	0.01	0.00	99.24
Landnám-AD870	8 µm	50.82	1.96	13.18	13.57	0.25	6.69	10.99	2.36	0.21	0.21	0.01	0.00	100.25
Landnám-AD870	8 µm	50.51	1.84	13.18	11.99	0.22	6.96	11.40	2.39	0.22	0.18	0.02	0.00	98.91
Landnám-AD870	8 µm	50.57	1.83	13.28	13.13	0.23	6.67	11.05	2.42	0.22	0.20	0.01	0.00	99.61
Landnám-AD870	8 µm	50.34	1.68	13.31	12.01	0.19	6.97	11.37	2.34	0.23	0.23	0.00	0.00	98.68
Landnám-AD870	8 µm	49.96	1.78	13.07	11.81	0.19	6.98	11.39	2.22	0.20	0.17	0.01	0.02	97.80
Landnám-AD870	10 µm	48.66	1.83	13.40	12.47	0.25	7.05	11.55	2.40	0.21	0.15	0.02	0.00	97.99 proximal deposits of the Landnám-AD870 eruption
Landnám-AD870	10 µm	50.03	1.67	13.42	12.06	0.20	7.11	11.67	2.43	0.20	0.17	0.00	0.00	98.96 Location: Vatnaöldur tephra ring
Landnám-AD870	10 µm	50.64	1.72	13.79	12.97	0.24	6.81	11.67	2.37	0.18	0.20	0.01	0.00	100.60
Landnám-AD870	10 µm	50.18	1.81	13.54	12.52	0.27	7.10	11.58	2.46	0.23	0.16	0.01	0.00	99.86
Landnám-AD870	10 µm	50.61	1.87	13.62	12.35	0.19	7.09	11.51	2.39	0.22	0.19	0.01	0.00	100.05
Landnám-AD870	10 µm	51.31	1.75	13.63	12.44	0.25	7.04	11.53	2.41	0.24	0.21	0.01	0.00	100.83
Landnám-AD870	10 µm	50.80	1.83	13.78	12.44	0.26	6.99	11.68	1.89	0.27	0.17	0.01	0.00	100.12
Landnám-AD870	10 µm	49.55	1.83	13.65	12.34	0.22	7.12	11.55	2.50	0.23	0.15	0.00	0.00	99.14
Landnám-AD870	10 µm	49.93	1.82	13.46	12.83	0.18	7.00	11.33	2.53	0.25	0.20	0.00	0.00	99.53
Landnám-AD870	10 µm	50.20	1.82	13.86	12.60	0.25	7.18	11.53	2.30	0.26	0.18	0.02	0.00	100.20
Landnám-AD870	10 µm	50.51	1.77	13.69	12.51	0.24	7.07	11.60	2.38	0.22	0.16	0.00	0.00	100.16
Landnám-AD870	10 µm	50.73	1.85	13.76	12.37	0.22	7.16	11.57	1.92	0.17	0.16	0.01	0.00	99.92
Landnám-AD870	10 µm	50.94	1.90	13.82	11.72	0.26	6.78	11.25	2.20	0.26	0.20	0.02	0.00	99.35
Landnám-AD870	10 µm	50.71	1.79	13.57	12.49	0.26	7.07	11.41	2.51	0.25	0.19	0.01	0.00	100.26
Landnám-AD870	10 µm	51.05	1.74	13.70	12.39	0.25	7.02	11.62	1.65	0.20	0.17	0.01	0.00	99.81
Landnám-AD870	10 µm	50.28	1.73	13.53	12.37	0.21	7.04	11.49	2.27	0.22	0.16	0.01	0.00	99.31

Landnám-AD870	10 µm	50.28	1.81	13.42	12.55	0.20	7.16	11.56	2.37	0.20	0.14	0.01	0.00	99.70
Landnám-AD870	10 µm	50.80	1.78	13.60	12.13	0.18	6.78	11.54	2.47	0.21	0.17	0.00	0.00	99.66
Landnám-AD870	10 µm	50.57	1.82	13.68	12.47	0.22	7.18	11.52	2.22	0.25	0.17	0.01	0.00	100.11
Landnám-AD870	10 µm	50.54	1.82	13.58	12.45	0.23	7.06	11.48	2.45	0.22	0.18	0.01	0.00	100.01
Landnám-AD870	10 µm	50.11	1.80	13.67	12.75	0.24	6.95	11.76	2.43	0.21	0.17	0.01	0.00	100.10
Landnám-AD870	10 µm	50.26	1.76	13.60	12.46	0.24	7.05	11.44	2.43	0.25	0.17	0.01	0.00	99.67
Landnám-AD870	10 µm	50.17	1.81	13.40	12.87	0.27	7.12	11.30	2.49	0.25	0.21	0.01	0.00	99.89
Landnám-AD870	10 µm	50.28	1.84	13.29	12.59	0.29	6.74	11.37	2.41	0.20	0.17	0.00	0.00	99.18
Landnám-AD870	10 µm	50.44	1.76	13.63	12.66	0.23	7.07	11.59	2.28	0.21	0.15	0.00	0.00	100.02
Landnám-AD870	10 µm	49.77	1.91	13.43	12.35	0.25	7.15	11.54	2.39	0.21	0.13	0.00	0.00	99.14
Landnám-AD870	10 µm	50.55	1.72	13.63	12.38	0.23	7.06	11.55	2.32	0.21	0.18	0.00	0.00	99.84
Landnám-AD870	10 µm	50.26	1.78	13.24	12.17	0.24	6.97	11.59	2.39	0.23	0.19	0.00	0.00	99.05
Eldgjá-AD~934	8 µm	48.25	4.64	12.29	14.33	0.24	5.21	9.67	3.01	0.77	0.60	0.05	0.00	99.06 medial-distal deposits of the Eldgjá-AD~934 eruption
Eldgjá-AD~934	8 µm	47.90	4.73	12.42	15.57	0.19	4.91	9.21	3.15	0.92	0.55	0.04	0.00	99.59 Location: east of Myrdalsjökull, ca 15 km east of eruption site
Eldgjá-AD~934	8 µm	48.32	4.63	12.38	15.13	0.26	5.14	9.42	3.00	0.78	0.56	0.00	0.00	99.61
Eldgjá-AD~934	8 µm	48.38	4.61	12.32	15.05	0.25	5.16	9.41	3.01	0.73	0.56	0.03	0.00	99.50
Eldgjá-AD~934	8 µm	47.75	4.75	12.18	14.89	0.23	5.34	9.42	2.91	0.85	0.59	0.04	0.00	98.94
Eldgjá-AD~934	8 µm	48.35	4.50	12.22	14.63	0.19	5.30	9.51	3.00	0.72	0.57	0.03	0.00	99.02
Eldgjá-AD~934	8 µm	47.89	4.60	12.17	14.38	0.22	5.24	9.66	2.89	0.75	0.48	0.04	0.00	98.31
Eldgjá-AD~934	8 µm	48.17	4.62	12.51	15.56	0.16	5.23	9.59	3.02	0.69	0.60	0.02	0.00	100.18
Eldgjá-AD~934	8 µm	48.18	4.44	12.52	14.08	0.21	5.03	9.45	3.05	0.77	0.64	0.02	0.00	98.39
Eldgjá-AD~934	8 µm	47.86	4.59	12.27	15.23	0.24	4.85	9.41	3.09	0.81	0.63	0.04	0.03	99.05
Eldgjá-AD~934	8 µm	48.03	4.74	12.27	15.65	0.19	5.20	9.61	2.84	0.74	0.60	0.04	0.00	99.90
Eldgjá-AD~934	8 µm	49.07	4.46	12.53	14.03	0.22	4.69	9.22	3.14	0.83	0.67	0.03	0.00	98.88
Eldgjá-AD~934	8 µm	46.66	5.37	12.22	17.67	0.22	5.12	8.92	3.06	0.72	0.53	0.03	0.00	100.51
Eldgjá-AD~934	8 µm	48.29	4.53	12.36	15.59	0.26	5.34	9.48	2.82	0.72	0.58	0.03	0.00	100.00
Eldgjá-AD~934	8 µm	48.10	4.82	11.40	15.97	0.28	4.79	9.40	3.03	0.97	0.77	0.04	0.00	99.57
Eldgjá-AD~934	8 µm	48.03	4.75	11.80	15.53	0.24	5.17	9.28	2.84	0.76	0.58	0.04	0.08	99.10
Eldgjá-AD~934	8 µm	48.14	4.79	11.65	15.90	0.23	5.22	9.36	2.76	0.77	0.59	0.04	0.00	99.45
Eldgjá-AD~934	8 µm	48.34	4.60	12.45	15.60	0.30	5.16	9.44	3.12	0.75	0.56	0.03	0.00	100.35

Eldgjá-AD~934	8 µm	47.73	4.70	12.26	15.01	0.20	5.13	9.30	3.06	0.71	0.58	0.03	0.00	98.71
Eldgjá-AD~934	8 µm	47.57	4.58	12.01	14.89	0.23	5.46	9.49	3.16	0.77	0.56	0.03	0.00	98.75
Eldgjá-AD~934	8 µm	48.12	4.66	12.40	15.08	0.28	5.17	9.46	3.05	0.71	0.60	0.05	0.00	99.57
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Hekla 3	5 µm	73.97	0.26	13.93	0.13	2.94	0.09	2.01	3.47	2.44	0.01	0.06	0.00	99.30 white pumices of proximal deposits of the Hekla-3 eruption
Hekla 3	5 µm	72.78	0.16	13.48	0.12	2.89	0.11	1.94	2.81	2.34	0.04	0.05	0.13	96.85 Location: Trjávidarlœkur gully, 15 km WSW of Hekla volcano
Hekla 3	5 µm	73.84	0.26	14.23	0.15	3.67	0.15	2.32	3.57	2.43	0.03	0.04	0.00	100.70
Hekla 3	5 µm	68.97	0.36	14.23	0.15	4.85	0.25	2.91	2.99	2.16	0.07	0.08	0.00	97.03
Hekla 3	5 µm	71.67	0.34	14.55	0.17	5.09	0.28	3.06	3.51	2.13	0.07	0.06	0.03	100.94
Hekla 3	5 µm	69.17	0.29	14.32	0.15	4.72	0.23	2.84	3.30	2.23	0.08	0.05	0.03	97.42
Hekla 3	5 µm	70.33	0.33	14.56	0.15	4.94	0.30	3.22	3.37	2.13	0.03	0.05	0.00	99.41
Hekla 3	5 µm	71.03	0.34	14.85	0.18	5.02	0.24	3.28	3.24	2.14	0.06	0.05	0.00	100.44
Hekla 3	5 µm	68.54	0.41	14.96	0.17	5.68	0.43	3.25	3.68	2.07	0.08	0.05	0.00	99.32
Hekla 3	5 µm	73.86	0.26	14.08	0.09	3.05	0.14	2.13	3.12	2.54	0.01	0.07	0.00	99.35
Hekla 3	5 µm	70.22	0.29	14.69	0.17	4.88	0.31	3.01	3.69	2.12	0.03	0.05	0.00	99.46
Hekla 3	5 µm	71.28	0.26	14.08	0.17	4.03	0.26	2.54	3.19	2.29	0.04	0.06	0.00	98.19
Hekla 3	5 µm	74.39	0.23	14.16	0.09	2.97	0.15	2.05	3.29	2.57	0.02	0.06	0.00	99.98
Hekla 3	5 µm	71.79	0.24	14.48	0.14	4.12	0.20	2.76	3.56	2.39	0.03	0.05	0.00	99.76
Hekla 3	5 µm	71.32	0.20	13.53	0.13	2.93	0.11	1.97	3.24	2.43	0.01	0.06	0.04	95.97
Hekla 3	5 µm	71.28	0.23	14.31	0.13	4.02	0.20	2.72	3.24	2.26	0.04	0.05	0.00	98.48
Hekla 3	5 µm	71.44	0.37	14.95	0.16	4.91	0.31	2.98	3.56	2.13	0.04	0.04	0.00	100.89
Hekla 3	5 µm	68.43	0.27	14.28	0.17	4.54	0.30	2.75	3.33	2.26	0.06	0.05	0.00	96.45
Hekla 3	5 µm	70.63	0.25	14.34	0.15	3.94	0.16	2.53	3.02	2.12	0.04	0.07	0.01	97.25
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Hekla 4	5 µm	76.14	0.09	13.21	1.97	0.10	0.01	1.37	3.63	2.77	0.01	0.05	0.10	99.45 white pumices of proximal deposits of the Hekla-4 eruption
Hekla 4	5 µm	76.41	0.16	13.27	1.95	0.09	0.01	1.34	3.55	2.69	0.00	0.06	0.06	99.58 Location: Trjávidarlœkur gully, 15 km WSW of Hekla volcano
Hekla 4	5 µm	75.97	0.11	12.92	1.92	0.11	0.02	1.34	3.63	2.84	0.01	0.05	0.16	99.08
Hekla 4	5 µm	75.03	0.07	12.80	1.91	0.06	0.01	1.31	3.46	2.85	0.02	0.05	0.06	97.64
Hekla 4	5 µm	76.71	0.12	13.24	1.98	0.09	0.00	1.31	3.57	2.83	0.00	0.07	0.09	100.00
Hekla 4	5 µm	76.15	0.08	13.30	1.85	0.07	0.02	1.26	2.88	2.58	0.02	0.06	0.00	98.28
Hekla 4	5 µm	75.15	0.20	12.86	1.89	0.09	0.01	1.35	3.60	2.82	0.01	0.05	0.02	98.05
Hekla 4	5 µm	76.60	0.12	12.70	1.85	0.07	0.01	1.28	3.32	2.82	0.02	0.07	0.00	98.86

Hekla 4	5 µm	75.88	0.06	12.96	1.86	0.09	0.04	1.29	3.20	2.85	0.01	0.07	0.01	98.30
Hekla 4	5 µm	76.38	0.10	12.99	1.89	0.08	0.03	1.31	3.53	2.90	0.01	0.05	0.13	99.41
Hekla 4	5 µm	75.98	0.11	13.08	1.97	0.07	0.05	1.33	3.77	2.74	0.01	0.07	0.11	99.29
Hekla 4	5 µm	73.77	0.11	12.70	1.88	0.05	0.03	1.30	3.35	2.75	0.02	0.07	0.00	96.03
Hekla 4	5 µm	75.99	0.10	12.90	2.02	0.11	0.02	1.36	3.56	2.82	0.00	0.05	0.00	98.95
Hekla 4	5 µm	76.32	0.05	13.17	1.98	0.09	0.04	1.35	3.58	2.63	0.01	0.07	0.09	99.37
Hekla 4	5 µm	76.13	0.11	13.01	1.96	0.07	0.04	1.29	3.49	2.80	0.00	0.06	0.00	98.96
Hekla 4	5 µm	75.99	0.11	13.08	1.98	0.07	0.01	1.32	3.41	2.82	0.04	0.06	0.03	98.90
Hekla 4	5 µm	76.38	0.12	13.01	1.95	0.04	0.06	1.36	3.69	2.84	0.03	0.05	0.05	99.59
Hekla 4	5 µm	76.42	0.11	13.03	1.93	0.11	0.00	1.32	3.58	2.83	0.00	0.05	0.00	99.40
Hekla 4	5 µm	75.96	0.08	13.13	1.92	0.10	0.00	1.30	3.49	2.76	0.02	0.05	0.09	98.91
Hekla 4	5 µm	75.56	0.12	12.99	2.04	0.12	0.02	1.31	3.70	2.77	0.02	0.06	0.07	98.79
Hekla 4	5 µm	76.68	0.08	13.18	1.88	0.06	0.00	1.36	3.64	2.83	0.02	0.07	0.00	99.81
Hekla 4	5 µm	75.18	0.09	12.94	1.90	0.05	0.01	1.33	3.48	2.74	0.00	0.05	0.00	97.77
Hekla 4	5 µm	76.87	0.12	13.17	1.92	0.09	0.06	1.32	3.58	2.77	0.00	0.05	0.04	99.98
Hekla 4	5 µm	76.65	0.18	13.11	1.97	0.08	0.03	1.33	3.52	2.69	0.02	0.07	0.10	99.75
Hekla 4	5 µm	75.65	0.08	13.02	1.87	0.08	0.03	1.29	3.26	2.81	0.00	0.06	0.02	98.18

Secondary glass standard	Beam size	SiO <sub>2</sub>	TiO <sub>2</sub>	Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	FeO	MnO	MgO	CaO	Na <sub>2</sub> O	K <sub>2</sub> O	P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	Cl	F	Total
<i>Lipari obsidian</i>	5 µm	75.36	0.07	13.05	1.04	0.55	0.05	0.73	3.50	5.15	0.01	0.34	0.04	99.89
	SD	0.30	0.03	0.03	0.69	0.72	0.01	0.01	0.08	0.06	0.01	0.00	0.06	0.43
	10 µm	74.78	0.08	12.98	1.15	0.42	0.03	0.73	3.85	5.20	0.00	0.34	0.06	99.61
	SD	0.18	0.01	0.13	0.62	0.62	0.02	0.01	0.05	0.06	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.30
	15 µm	73.68	0.06	13.13	1.66	0.02	0.01	0.71	3.82	5.37	0.00	0.35	0.00	98.80
	20 µm	74.22	0.06	12.96	1.19	0.44	0.04	0.72	3.94	5.13	0.00	0.32	0.06	99.08
	SD	0.48	0.02	0.16	0.63	0.64	0.01	0.01	0.06	0.06	0.00	0.02	0.03	0.37
Hunt and Hill (1996)	12 µm	74.35	n.d.	12.87	1.51	0.07	0.05	0.74	3.93	5.11	n.d.	n.d.	0.35	98.98