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#### Summary

A sediment core was dated from the St. Lawrence River, Ontario. The <sup>210</sup>Pb profile of the sediment core was used to determine the chronological age of the sediment as well as the sedimentation rate. The mean specific gravity was determined to be  $2.574 \text{ gcm}^3$ . The sedimentation rate was calculated to be  $0.39 \text{ cmyr}^{-1}$ for core 091 using a CIC model. The average mass sedimentation rate was determined to be  $0.12 \text{ gcm}^2 \text{yr}^{-1}$  using the CIC1 model,  $0.14 \text{ gcm}^2 \text{yr}^{-1}$  using the CIC2 model, and  $0.15 \pm 0.079 \text{ gcm}^{-2} \text{yr}^{-1}$  using the CRS model.

Porosity and activity profiles indicate changes in sediment composition throughout the core. Compositional changes indicate modifications in source of materials which may be accompanied by variations in accumulation rate. CRS results indicate a variable sedimentation rate for this core.

Results from core 091 analyses must be used with caution. CIC and CRS analyses of core 091 activity data were performed under the assumption that the <sup>210</sup>Pb activity profile reflected activity decay, not variability in sorptive capacity due to sediment compositional changes. The validity of the assumption for core 091 is not known.

## INTRODUCTION

In this study, a core (091) taken from the St. Lawrence River (station PILON), was dated using a <sup>210</sup>Pb method (Eakins and Morrison, 1978). The core was collected by Technological Operations personnel (National Water Research Institute, Burlington) and submitted for analysis by H. Biberhofer (CCIW, NWRI, Study LTSS-95). Other eastern Canadian cores have been dated using this method (Turner and Delorme, 1988a-b, 1989a-g, 1990, 1992; Turner, 1990a-e, 1991a-g, 1992a-c, 1993a-d, 1994a-b, 1995a-g, 1996a-c).

## LOCATION AND CORE PREPARATION

The location of the sample site from which the core was taken (Station PILON;  $45.03 \circ N$ ,  $74.66 \circ W$ ) is shown in Figure 1. On February 17, 1996, the St. Lawrence River was cored using a lightweight corer (10.16 cm diameter) at a water depth of 12.6 m. Core 091 was transported to Burlington, Ontario and placed in cold storage. On March 29, 1996, the core was subsectioned into 1-cm intervals giving thirty-six (36) samples. The samples were weighed, freeze-dried, and then re-weighed. These weights were used to calculate porosity and the uncompacted depth (see Appendices A - B, Delorme, 1991).

A plot of porosity versus uncompacted mid-depth and cumulative dry weight for core 091 is shown in Figure 2. The porosity profile illustrates changes in lithology throughout the length of the core. Numerous shells can be found near the sediment/water interface. Decreases in porosity with depth are accompanied by increases in particle size (sand). One region (samples 12-22) is typified by organic debris (wood chips etc) mixed with sand. The region of lowest porosity contains pebbles.

Specific Gravity was determined using an automated Accupyc pycnometer (Micromeritics, 1992). Mean specific gravity for the sediments of core 091 is  $2.574 \pm 0.077$  g cm<sup>-3</sup> based on 10 samples and 49 determinations (see Appendix C this report).







## METHOD

#### Laboratory Procedures

Homogeneous portions of 24 samples (Table 1, including 2 sets of replicates) from core 091 were treated using a variation on the Eakins and Morrison (1978) polonium distillation procedure. Details of the laboratory procedure are found in a laboratory manual (Turner, 1990).

Following grinding and homogenizing, 1 g (upper core) to 3 g (lower core) of sediment were treated with concentrated HCl to remove carbonate materials, then mixed with approximately 10 dpm ml<sup>-1</sup> of  $^{209}$ Po spike in a test tube. The  $^{209}$ Po spike was prepared on September 6, 1991 at 6.07 dpm/ml activity. The test tube and contents were then placed in an oven at 110°C until dry.

After cooling, glass wool plugs (one to hold the sediment at the bottom of the tube, one dampened to catch polonium at the opening of the tube) were inserted, then the tubes were placed into a tube furnace and heated to  $700 \,^\circ$ C for  $\frac{1}{2}$  hr to distill the polonium from the sediments. At this temperature, polonium passes easily from the sediment, through the dry wool plug and does not condense until reaching the wet wool plug outside the furnace.

After cooling, the tube was cut, and the upper part containing the damp glass wool (condenser) was digested in concentrated HNO<sub>3</sub> under reflux (to destroy organic material). The residue was then

filtered and the filtrate boiled down and digested with two HCl treatments to remove any remaining traces of HNO3.

The polonium was then plated from the remaining solution onto a finely polished silver disk. The disk was counted in an alpha spectrometer. <sup>209</sup>Po was identified by its 4.88 MeV alpha particle, and <sup>210</sup>Po by its 5.305 MeV alpha particle. The <sup>210</sup>Po counts obtained from the spectrometer were compared to the <sup>209</sup>Po counts (of known activity) to determine the activity of <sup>210</sup>Po in the sediment sample. Sediment Dating Theory

Dating of lacustrine sediments has been actively pursued for several decades (Robbins and Edgington, 1975; Matsumoto, 1975; Appleby and Oldfield, 1978; and Farmer, 1978). Sedimentation rates are derived using either the CIC (constant initial concentration of unsupported <sup>210</sup>Pb; Robbins and Edgington, 1975; Matsumoto, 1975) or the CRS (constant rate of supply; Appleby and Oldfield, 1978) The CIC model assumes a constant sedimentation rate over model. the time period in which unsupported <sup>210</sup>Pb is measured. The CRS model assumes a variable sedimentation rate. Both models assume a constant flux of unsupported <sup>210</sup>Pb to the sediment/water interface. Depth can be corrected for sediment compaction in the CIC model using sediment porosity measurements, otherwise cumulative dry weight is used. Sediment compaction is accounted for in the CRS model by dealing with cumulative dry weight instead of sediment depth.

The profile of <sup>210</sup>Pb in a sediment core can be described as follows:

 $A_{Tx} = (A_{Uo})e^{-\lambda t} + A'$ 

where

 $A_{\bar{T}x}$  is the total activity of <sup>210</sup>Pb in the sample in pCig<sup>1</sup> dry wt at depth x, and of age t.

A' is the activity of <sup>210</sup>Pb supported by <sup>226</sup>Ra in pCig<sup>1</sup> dry wt (represented by constant <sup>210</sup>Po activities attained at depth),

 $A_{U_0}$  is the unsupported activity of <sup>210</sup>Pb at the sediment/ water interface in pCig<sup>-1</sup> dry wt,

## $\lambda$ is the radioactive decay constant for <sup>210</sup>Pb $(0.693/22.26 \text{ yr}^{-1} = 0.0311 \text{ yr}^{-1}),$

 $A_{Ux} = (A_{Uo}) e^{-\lambda t}$ And since  $A_{Ux} = A_{Tx} - A'$  then (1b)  $A_{\text{Ux}}$  is the unsupported activity of  $^{210}\text{Pb}$  in the sample in where  $pCig^1$  dry wt at depth x,

## The Constant Initial Concentration (CIC) Model:

In the following derivations, equations which refer to the usage of cumulative dry weight instead of uncompacted depth in the CIC model are designated with an 'a'.

In the CIC model, uncompacted mid-depth, z, can be used instead of natural depth, x, to compensate for sediment compaction. Otherwise The uncompacted mid-depth is cumulative dry weight is used. calculated from uncompacted thickness (Delorme 1991).

$$t_{ui} = \{ (\phi_o - \phi_i) / (1 - \phi_o) \} + (TV_i * V_q)$$
 (2)

where

 $\phi_{i}$  is the porosity of the i<sup>th</sup> sample expressed as a percentage,

 $\phi_{\circ}$  is the porosity at the sediment-water interface calculated by regressing the top four sample porosities  $(\phi_i)$  against natural mid-depth, and  $\phi_o = y$  intercept,

TV, is the total volume of the it sample,

V<sub>a</sub> is the volume of a cylinder 1 cm high and surface area equal to either the inside of the core tube or the stainless steel extrusion ring, whichever is appropriate.

The CIC model assumes a constant sedimentation rate (or mass sedimentation rate) over the time period in which unsupported <sup>210</sup>Pb is measured, thus

$$t = z/S_{o}$$
(3)  
$$t = c/\omega$$
(3a)

where

 $S_o$  is the sedimentation rate in cmyr<sup>-1</sup> at the sediment/ water interface,

z is uncompacted mid-depth,

c in cumulative dry weight in  $g cm^2$ ,

 $\omega$  is the mass sedimentation rate in g cm<sup>-2</sup>.yr<sup>-1</sup>.

The total <sup>210</sup>Pb activity at the sediment water interface is:

$$A_{To} = (P/\omega)$$

where

P is the flux of <sup>210</sup>Pb at the sediment water interface in pCicm<sup>-2</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup>, (assumed constant).

(4)

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Substituting equations (3) [and (3a)] and (4) into equation (1a) gives:  $A_{Tz} = (P/\omega)e^{-z\lambda/S_{o}} + A'$ 

or

$$A_{Tx} = (P/\omega)e^{-C\lambda/\omega} + A'$$
(5a)

Equation (5) or [5(a)] can be simplified using natural logarithms:

$$\ln(A_{Tz} - A') = \ln(P/\omega) - (\lambda/S_o)z$$
(6)

$$\ln(A_{Tx} - A') = \ln(P/\omega) - (\lambda/\omega)c$$
 (6a)

The form of the equation is y = b + (m) x

A graphical solution for P/ $\omega$  (the y-intercept) and  $\lambda/S_{o}$  [or  $(\lambda/\omega)$ ] (the slope of the line) is possible from a plot of x and y {z vs  $\ln(A_z - A')$  [or c vs  $\ln(A_x - A')$ ] (see Figure 4). As  $\lambda$  is known, then S<sub>o</sub> [or  $\omega$ ] can be calculated.

$$S_{o} = \lambda/\text{slope} = \lambda/(m)$$
(7)  

$$\omega = \lambda/\text{slope} = \lambda/(m)$$
(7a)

When using uncompacted depth, the mass sedimentation rate  $\omega$ (g cm<sup>-2</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup>) is represented by:

$$\omega = S_o (1 - \phi_o) \rho_s = S_i (1 - \phi_i) \rho_s \qquad (8)$$

where

$$\rho_{\star}$$
 is the density of the solid phase of the sample (assumed constant),

 $S_i$  is the sedimentation rate (cmyr<sup>-1</sup>) at a given uncompacted mid-depth z.

The flux at the sediment/water interface P (pCicm<sup>2</sup>yr<sup>1</sup>) can be calculated from the y-intercept and mass sedimentation rate.

$$\mathbf{P} = \boldsymbol{\omega} \quad (\mathbf{e}^{\mathbf{b}})$$

Using equation (6) [or (6a)] the time 't' in years since the sample was deposited is given by:

$$t = \underline{\ln (A_{T_z} - A') - \ln(P/\omega)}_{(-\lambda)} = \underline{z}_{S_o}$$
(10)

or

$$t = \frac{\ln (A_{Tx} - A') - \ln(P/\omega)}{(-\lambda)} = \frac{c}{\omega}$$
(10ai)

which can be written as:

$$t = -\underline{1}_{\lambda} \ln \underline{(A_{Tz} - A')}_{A_{To}} = \underline{z}_{o} \text{ or } = \underline{c}_{\omega}$$
(10aii)

(9)

The uncompacted mid-depth (cm) divided by the sedimentation rate (cmyr<sup>-1</sup>) [or cumulative dry weight, (g cm<sup>-2</sup>) divided by mass sedimentation rate (gcm<sup>-2</sup>yr<sup>-1</sup>)] gives t.

#### The Constant Rate of Supply (CRS) Model:

Since the CRS model assumes a constant rate of supply, then

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{A}_{\mathrm{U}_{\mathrm{I}}} * \boldsymbol{\omega}_{\mathrm{t}} \tag{11}$$

where

P is the flux of <sup>210</sup>Pb at the sediment water interface in pCicm<sup>-2</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup>, (assumed constant)

 $A_{Ui}$  is the initial activity of unsupported <sup>210</sup>Pb in sediment of age t

 $\omega_{\rm r}$  is the dry Mass Sedimentation Rate (g cm<sup>-2</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup>) at time t.

Sediment laid down during time period  $\delta t$ occupies a layer of thickness  $(\delta x)$ :

> $\delta x = \underline{\omega_{t}} \delta t$   $\rho_{x}$ (12)

were

 $\rho_x$  is the dry mass/unit wet volume of the sample (g cm<sup>-3</sup>) at depth x.

$$\rho_{\bar{x}} = \frac{d\omega}{dx}$$
(13)

The rate of change of depth is

$$\mathbf{x}' = -\frac{\omega}{\rho_{\mathbf{x}}} \tag{14}$$

where ' denotes differentiation with regards to t.

and 
$$\mathbf{x}' \rho_{\mathbf{x}} = \omega = \mathbf{x}'_{o} \rho_{o}$$
 (15)

Equation (15) combines with (1b) to give

$$\mathbf{x'} \ \rho_{\mathbf{x}} \ \mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{U}\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{x'}_{o} \ \rho_{o} \ (\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{U}o}) e^{-\lambda t}$$
(16)

Let

and

$$B(x) = \int_{x}^{\infty} \rho_{x} * A_{Ux} dx = \int_{x}^{\infty} A_{Ux} d\omega$$
 (17)

represent the total residual or cumulative unsupported  $^{210}$ Pb beneath sediments of depth x,

$$B(0) = \int_{0}^{\infty} \rho_{o} \star A_{Uo} dx = \int_{0}^{\infty} A_{Uo} d\omega \qquad (18)$$

represent the total residual unsupported <sup>210</sup>Pb in the sediment column, then

$$B(x) = B(0)e^{-\lambda t}$$
(19)

The age of layer at depth x is thus:

$$t = - \frac{1}{\lambda} \ln \frac{B(x)}{B(0)}$$
(20)

where B(x) and B(0) are calculated by direct numerical integration of the <sup>210</sup>Pb profile (the plot of unsupported activity versus cumulative dry weight).

The mass sedimentation rate is calculated by dividing the change in the mid-sample cumulative dry weight by the difference of time in years for the sample analyzed.

The mean <sup>210</sup>Pb supply rate (flux) is calculated from

$$\mathbf{P} = \lambda \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{0}) \tag{21}$$

Quality Assurance/Quality Control

Quality Assurance: Collection and Preparation of Core Samples The samples for core 091 were collected using a lightweight corer.

When the core was extruded, the outer smeared portion was removed using a stainless steel ring to prevent contamination of sediments from above (following the procedure outlined by Delorme, 1991). The samples were freeze-dried using a standard procedure. Minimum loss of water from each sample was achieved by keeping tight lids on the vials before weighing and freeze drying. There was no transfer of sediments from the vials until freeze-drying was complete and the dry weights obtained.

Test runs for quality control on the alpha spectrometry equipment were last done in June, 1996.

## Quality Control: Contamination and Method Checks

Blanks (no sample, no spike), were run through the same analytical procedures as samples, to determine if there was contamination from analytical reagents. Blanks, prepared at the same time as the sediment samples, exhibited a background activity of 0.03 dpm when run in all detectors, an activity comparable to empty sample holders.

Yield tracer solutions (no sediment sample) were also run through the analytical procedure. No counts above background were detectable in the <sup>210</sup>Po region of the spectra for disks prepared using only the spike (no sample), indicating no polonium (<sup>210</sup>Po) contamination in the analyses from spike solutions.

### Quality Assurance: System Checks

The alpha spectrometer has been monitored since May of 1988. Sample chambers are examined on a monthly basis for contamination. Empty sample holders give a background count rate of 0.01 dpm which equals the equipment specifications.

## RESULTS

Table 1 lists the <sup>210</sup>Po activities for the 24 samples prepared for core 091. Figure 3 depicts the <sup>210</sup>Po activity profile with depth and cumulative dry weight. The symbols used in figure 3 indicate which detector was used during sample analysis. Circles represent

detector 3, triangles represent detector 2, and squares represent detector 1.

Sample	Cum. Dry Wt. g/cm2	Uncomp. Mid Depth cm	210Po dpm/g	DET No.
1 2 3 3R 3R2 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 18 18R 18R2 20 25	$\begin{array}{c} 0.39\\ 0.92\\ 1.60\\ 1.60\\ 1.60\\ 2.33\\ 3.32\\ 4.57\\ 5.55\\ 6.22\\ 7.04\\ 7.76\\ 8.48\\ 9.25\\ 9.97\\ 10.89\\ 11.58\\ 12.54\\ 14.35\\ 14.35\\ 14.35\\ 14.35\\ 14.35\\ 14.35\\ 16.49\\ 22.78 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.65\\ 2.14\\ 4.01\\ 4.01\\ 4.01\\ 6.10\\ 8.50\\ 11.47\\ 14.47\\ 16.85\\ 19.05\\ 21.31\\ 23.44\\ 25.61\\ 27.81\\ 30.16\\ 32.47\\ 34.87\\ 40.27\\ 40$	$\begin{array}{r} 9.5\\8.3\\8.6\pm0.1\\8.7\pm0.6\\8.7\pm0.2\\10.1\\5.6\\3.6\\7.0\\7.4\\8.0\\7.7\\6.1\\5.6\\5.0\\3.1\\2.7\\1.9\\1.5\pm0.1\\1.5\pm0.1\\1.5\pm0.0\\1.4\pm0.0\\1.4\pm0.0\\1.4\\0.8\end{array}$	1 2 1/2/3 1/2/3 1/2/3 3 1 2 2 3 1 2 2 3 1/2/3 1/2/3 1/2/3 1/2/3 1/2/3 1/2/3 1/2/3
36	40.50	108.44	1.3	1

Table 1. Activity of <sup>210</sup>Po in Core 091 Sediment.

The profile of core 091 has an area of depressed activity encompassing samples 5-7. This area also exhibits slightly depressed porosity (Figure 2). At first glance, slumping of sediment was suspected. However, examination of sediment composition proved slumping not to be present. The shell content of core 091 sediment increased in the depressed activity region, maximizing in sample 6. Examination of sediments below sample 10 reveals an influx of organic debris/wood particles not detected in the upper samples. The organic debris increases with depth until sample 22, where it disappears as the composition changes to sand. Caution must be exercised when using this activity data as the activity profile



Figure 3. Distribution of Total <sup>210</sup>Po activity in dpmg<sup>4</sup> in relation to uncompacted mid-depth and cumulative dry weight for core 091.

of core 091 may reflect variability in sorptive capacity due to changing sediment composition more than the decay in activity.

Reproducibility of Results

Two slices from core 091 were chosen to have the analysis for <sup>210</sup>Po repeated. These are listed in Table 2. The <sup>210</sup>Po activities are given in Table 1.

Table 2 Reproducibility of Core 091 analyses.

			<sup>210</sup> Po activity
Core	Sample	Uncompacted Mid Depth	<u>Mean ±Std Deviation</u>
091	3	4.0	$8.7 \pm 0.1$
	18	40.3	$1.5 \pm 0.1$

<sup>210</sup>Pb Analysis of St. Lawrence River core 091, using the CIC model. Analysis of core 091 activity data using CIC dating models is being performed under the assumption that the <sup>210</sup>Pb activity profile reflects activity decay, not variable sorption due to changes in sediment composition.

For the first CIC model, the unsupported activity is plotted against uncompacted mid-depth (Figure 4) using the expanded equation (6). Based on the graphical solution, the y-intercept is  $\ln(P/\omega) = 2.4497$  and the slope of the line  $(\lambda/S_o)$  is -0.0794 (see Appendix D). Samples 4 to 16 were used to calculate an average sedimentation rate of 0.39 cmyr<sup>-1</sup>, an average mass sedimentation rate of 0.12 g cm<sup>-2</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup> and a flux of 1.37 pCi cm<sup>-2</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup>. The mean dates calculated for each core section, based on a division of the uncompacted mid-depth by the sedimentation rate (equation 3), are given in Appendix G. The '±' values are two standard deviations



Figure 4. The distribution of uncompacted mid-depth against  $\ln(A_{-} A')$  for core 091. The y intercept of the regression line = 2.4497, the slope = -0.0794. based on data calculated for the top, bottom, and mid-depth of the sample.

For the second CIC model, the unsupported activity is plotted against cumulative dry weight (Figure 5) using the expanded equation (6a). Based on the graphical solution, the y-intercept is  $\ln(P/\omega) = 2.4345$  and the slope of the line  $(\lambda/\omega)$  is -0.2275 (see Appendix E). Samples 4 to 16 were used to calculate an average mass sedimentation rate of 0.14 gcm<sup>2</sup>yr<sup>-1</sup> and a flux of 1.56 pCicm<sup>2</sup>yr<sup>-1</sup>. The dates calculated for each core section, based on a division of the cumulative dry weight by the mass sedimentation rate (equation 3a) are given in Appendix G. The '±' values are two standard deviations based on data calculated for the top, bottom, and midsection of the sample.

Ideally, the CIC1 and CIC2 models should give almost identical results. A difference in the mass sedimentation rates and



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atmospheric fluxes determined from the CIC1 and CIC2 models may indicate a problem in the calculation of uncompacted mid-depth. It may indicate a change in lithology that was not completely accounted for by porosity or specific gravity measurements. A comparison of the mass sedimentation and atmospheric flux rates for this core shows fair agreement.

<sup>210</sup>Pb Analysis of St. Lawrence River core 091, using the CRS model. Analysis of core 091 activity data using CRS dating model is being performed under the assumption that the <sup>210</sup>Pb activity profile reflects activity decay, not variable sorption due to compositional change.

For the CRS model, the unsupported activity is plotted against cumulative dry weight (Figure 3). The profile is integrated to determine B(0) and B(x) and calculate time (see Appendix F) according to equation 20. Since not all samples were analyzed for <sup>210</sup>Pb activity, a multiple regression analysis was performed to obtain the dates for each core section as given in Appendix G. Samples 1 to 15 were used in this example to calculate an average mass sedimentation rate of  $0.15 \pm 0.079 \text{ g cm}^2 \text{yr}^1$  and flux of 1.07 pCi cm<sup>-2</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup>. The variation in mass sedimentation rate in core 091 is illustrated in figure 6.



Figure 6. Plot of mass sedimentation rate versus cumulative dry weight for core 091. Points represent mass sedimentation rates determined from integrated area defined by activity and cumulative dry weight for the sample, the line represents the running mean of the mass sedimentation rate.

# Comparison of CIC and CRS <sup>210</sup>Pb Analysis of Core 091.

Table 3 lists mass sedimentation and atmospheric flux rates as calculated from the CIC and CRS models. The mass sedimentation rates are in fair agreement. The flux rates do not agree as The year corresponding to individual core sections closely. (Appendix G) as determined by the CIC and CRS models are plotted against cumulative dry weight in Figure 7. Figure 7 shows a very close agreement between the two CIC models. There is some agreement between the CIC and CRS models in the upper reaches of the core, and towards the bottom of the core. A large area of discrepancy occurs midcore. The disagreement is likely caused by the variable sedimentation rate indicated by the CRS model as illustrated in Figure 6. Variability in sedimentation rate is expected when core composition fluctuates as in core 091. This evidence indicates that the assumption of a 'constant sedimentation rate' for the CIC model was an unacceptable one.

Table 3. Summary of Mass Sedimentation Rate and Atmospheric Flux.

Average Mass Sedimentation

Model	Sedimentation Rate g <sup>.</sup> cm <sup>-2</sup> .yr <sup>-1</sup>	Atmospheric Flux pCi <sup>.</sup> cm <sup>-2.</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup>		
CIC1	0.12	1.37		
CRS	0.14 0.15 ± 0.079 <sup>*</sup>	1.56 1.07		

\* Based on incremental mass sedimentation rates (Appendix F)

Analysis of core 091 activity data using CIC and CRS dating models was performed assuming that the <sup>210</sup>Pb activity profile reflects activity decay, not variable sorption due to sediment compositional changes. Results from the analyses must be used with caution. The validity of the assumption is not known.





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## Appendix A: Wet and dry weights for core 091.

091 Core Number Station PILON 2.5736 Specific Gravity g cm<sup>-3</sup> 81.0734 Surface area cm<sup>2</sup>, 10.16 cm Tube diameter 49.5144 Surface area cm<sup>2</sup>, 7.94 cm Cutter diameter 0.3923 Rate of sedimentation cm yr<sup>-1</sup> 0 NUMBER OF SAMPLES BELOW THE SURFACE BEFORE THE DIAMETER CHANGES TO CUTTER DIAMETER

Samp]	le Wet**	Dry**	Vial	Spec.
Numbe	er Wt.	Wt.	Wt.	Grav.
1	91.926	43.800	24.569	2.53*
2	100.228	50.633	24.299	2.53
3	114.013	57.552	23.743	2.53
- 4	125.100	60.350	24.545	2.53*
5	140.212	73.629	24.558	2.51
6	139.575	85.691	23.735	2.50
7	131.674	72.986	24.321	2.49
8	112.436	57.433	24.565	2.47*
9	137.804	65.005	24.319	2.49
10	128.557	60.068	24.170	2.51
11	124.279	59.746	24.182	2.53
12	119.210	61.219	23.336	2.54*
13	110.520	60.340	24.558	2.53
14	138.106	69.876	24.171	2.52
15	110.520	57.885	23.732	2.51
16	124.104	71.309	23.723	2.50*
17	117.976	71.245	23.712	2.50
18	115.485	65.936	24.140	2.50
19	141.387	82.950	24.296	2.50
20	119.039	71.827	24.173	2.50*
21	137.037	84.840	24.195	2.54
22	127.006	82.112	24.315	2.57
23	144.092	95.998	24.575	2.61
24	98.425	73.569	24.179	2.64*
25	136.538	96.269	24.293	2.66
26	134.495	97.122	23.722	2.67
27	138.949	101.540	24.321	2.68
28	128.603	93.723	24.280	2.70*
29	136.917	96.851	23.646	2.69
30	147.314	104.653	24.354	2.68
31	118.208	85.234	23.343	2.68
32	111.253	83.228	23.700	2.67*
33	139.417	107.751	24.631	2.66
34	161.599	128.188	24.195	2.66
35	140.896	110.214	24.162	2.65
36	189.112	133.845	24.553	2.64*

\*\*Includes Vial Weight

\*Measured specific gravity. Other values calculated by linear regression.

Appendix B: Calculation of porosity and uncompacted depths given sample wet and dry weights, (Delorme, 1991) and specific gravity for core 091. Time in years calculated from CIC1 sedimentation rate data.

Sa	mp	Wet	Dry	Cumm.	Water	Sed.	Total	Comp.	Comp.	Comp.	Sample	Uncom	n Unčoj		Time
Nú	mb	Wt.	Wt.	Dry Wt	Cont.	Vol.	Vol.	Thick	Depth	Mid-pt	Poros.	Thick	Denth	ip Uncomp ⊌id-ot	
		_ <u>9</u> _	g	g/cm2	cm3	cm3	cm3	Cm	сm	Cm	*	Cm	n Depei	i ald-br	Para.
	10	67.30	6 19.23	0.39	48.13	7.60	55.72	1.13	1.13	0.56	86.37	1.20	1 20		rears
	2	75.9	5 26.33	0.92	49.60	10.41	60.00	1.21	2.34	1.73	82.66	1.60	2 08	2 1/	, i
	3 9	90.27	7 33.81	1.60	56.46	13.37	69.83	1.41	3.75	3.04	80.86	2.05	5 03	6.14	10
4	4 10	00.55	5 35.81	2.33	64.75	14.16	78.91	1.59	5.34	4.54	82.05	2.13	7 16	6.10	10
	5 11	15.65	49.07	3.32	66.58	19.51	86.10	1.74	7.08	6.21	77.34	2.67	0.87	8 50	12
	6 11	15.84	61.96	4.57	53.88	24.77	78.65	1.59	8.67	7.87	68.51	3.28	13 11	11 47	20
	7 10	07.35	48.67	5.55	58.69	19.56	78.25	1.58	10.25	9.46	75.00	2.72	15 83	14 47	24
	88	37.87	32.87	6.22	55.00	13.28	68.28	1.38	11.63	10.94	80.55	2.04	17.87	16 85	20
5	9 11	13.49	40.69	7.04	72.80	16.32	89.12	1.80	13.43	12.53	81.68	2.36	20.23	10.05	42
10	0 10	14.39	35.90	7.76	68.49	14.30	82.79	1.67	15.10	14.26	82.72	2.15	22.38	21 31	40 5/
11	1 10	0.10	35.56	8.48	64.53	14.07	78.60	1.59	16.69	15.89	82.10	2.12	24 50	23 ./.	50
12	2 9	5.87	37.88	9.25	57.99	14.89	72.88	1.47	18.16	17.42	79.57	2.22	26 72	25 61	29
13	5 8	5.96	35.78	9.97	50.18	14.12	64.30	1.30	19.46	18.81	78.04	2.17	28 80	27.81	
14	11	3.94	45.71	10.89	68.23	18.11	86.34	1.74	21.20	20.33	79.03	2.53	31.42	30 16	70
15	8. 1	6.79	34.15	11.58	52.64	13.59	66.22	1.34	22.54	21.87	79.48	2.09	33 51	32 /7	00 . 00
16	5 10	0.38	47.59	12.54	52.80	19.01	71.80	1.45	23.99	23.26	73.53	2.71	36 22	36.87	02
17	9	4.26	47.53	13.50	46.73	18.99	65.72	1.33	25.32	24.65	71.10	2.80	30 02	37 42	00
18	9	1.35	41.80	14.35	49.55	16.70	66.25	1.34	26.65	25.99	74.79	2.40	41 51	40 27	402
-19	11	7.09	58.65	15.53	58.44	23.45	81.88	1.65	28.31	27.48	71.37	3.10	44 61	40.27	102
20	9	4.87	47.65	16.49	47.21	19.05	66.27	1.34	29.65	28.98	71.25	2.70	47.61	43.00	109
.21	11	2.84	60.65	17.72	52.20 2	23.91	76.11	1.54	31.18	30.42	68.58	3.22	50 62	40.01	117
22	10	2.69	57.80	18.88	44.89 2	22.48	67.37	1.36	32.54	31.86	66.64	3.21	57.97	57 22	
23	. 119	9.52	71.42	20.33	48.09 2	27.40	75.49	1.52	34.07	33.31	63.71	3.62	57 /5	55 4%	
24	- 74	4.25	49.39	21.32	24.86 1	18.69	43.55	0.88	34.95	34.51	57.08	3.55	61 00	50 22	
25	112	2.25	71.98	22.78	40.27 2	27.10	67.37	1.36	36.31	35.63	59.77	3.80	64 80	42 00	
26	110	0.77	73.40 2	24.26	37.37 2	27.50	64.87	1.31	37.62	36.96	57.61	3.03	68 73	66 77	
27	114	4.63	77.22	25.82	37.41 2	28.79	66.19	1.34	38.96	38.29	56.51	4.05	72 78	70 74	
28	104	4.32	69.44 2	27.22	34.88 2	25.76	60.64	1.22	40.18	39.57	57.52	3.85	76 63	76.76	
29	113	5.27	73.21 2	28.70	40.07 2	27.22	67.28	1.36	41.54	40.86	59.55	3.81	80.44	78 5/	
30	122	2.96	80.30 3	30.32	42.66 2	9.92	72.58	1.47	43.01	42.27	58.78	3.99	84 43	82 44	
31	94	87	61.89 3	1.57	32.97 2	3.11	56.09	1.13	44.14	43.57	58.79	3.65	88.08	86 26	
32	87	.55	59.53 3	2.78 2	28.03 2	2.28	50.31	1.02	45.15	44.65	55.71	3.80	01.88	80 08	
33	114	.79	83.12 3	4.45 3	51.67 3	1.20	62.86	1.27	46.42	45.79	50.37	4.51	96.39	04 14	
34	137	.40	103.99 3	6.55 3	53.41 3	9.14	72.55	1.47	47.89	47.16	46.05	5.07	101.46	08.03	
35	116	.73	86.05 3	8.29 3	0.68 3	2.47	63.16	1.28	49.16	48.53	48.58	4.67	106.13	103 80	
36	164	.56	109.29 4	0.50 5	5.27 4	1.36	96.62	1.95	51.12	50.14	57.20	4 61	110 7/ 1		

Appendix C. Specific gravity determination.

The specific gravities (g cm<sup>3</sup>) of Core 091 sediments were determined using an automated Accupyc pycnometer (Micromeritics, 1992).

	No. of	Uncompacted	Specific	
Sample	Tests	<u>Mid Depth</u>	<u> </u>	<u>Mean</u>
1	5	0.65	$2.532 \pm 0.003$	
4	5	6.10	$2.528 \pm 0.002$	
8	4	16,85	$2.475 \pm 0.002$	
12	5	25.61	$2.545 \pm 0.003$	
16	5	34.87	$2.503 \pm 0.001$	
20	5	46.01	$2.501 \pm 0.002$	·
24	5	59.23	$2.642 \pm 0.001$	
28	5	74.71	$2.696 \pm 0.001$	
32	5	89.98	$2.672 \pm 0.001$	
36	5	108.44	$2.643 \pm 0.002$	2.574 ± 0.077

Appendix D. Lead Sedimentation Rate Analysis, CIC1 Model.

 $\ln (A - A') = \ln (11.585) - 0.079 (Z) R = -0.937$ 

where (A - A') = unsupported <sup>210</sup>Pb in pCig<sup>-1</sup>, and Z = uncompacted depth in cm. based on data from lines 4 to 16

Specific Gravity = 2.574 g cm<sup>3</sup>  $P/\omega = 11.575 \omega = 0.118$ 

The initial porosity at the sediment/water interface is 88.29

Atmospheric flux rate at the time of collection 1996.129 is 3.040 dpm cm<sup>-2</sup>.yr<sup>-1</sup> or 1.370 pCi cm<sup>-2</sup>.yr<sup>-1</sup>

Supported <sup>226</sup>Ra activity = 0.356 pCig<sup>-1</sup> or 0.791 dpmg<sup>-1</sup>

Sedimentation Rate =  $0.392 \text{ cmyr}^{-1}$ 

Mass Sedimentation Rate = 0.118 g cm<sup>-2</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup>

Uncomp Depth cm.	Porosity	Total <sup>210</sup> Pb dpm·g <sup>-1</sup>	Total <sup>210</sup> Pb pCig <sup>-1</sup>	Unsupp. <sup>210</sup> Pb dpm <sup>.</sup> g <sup>-1</sup>	Unsupp. <sup>210</sup> Pb pCig <sup>1</sup>	Sed. Rate cmyr <sup>-1</sup>	Years (*)
$\begin{array}{c} 6.10\\ 14.47\\ 16.85\\ 19.05\\ 21.31\\ 23.44\\ 25.61\\ 27.81\\ 30.16\\ 32.47\\ 34.87\\ 40.27\\ 46.01\\ 62.90\\ 108.44 \end{array}$	0.8205 0.7500 0.8055 0.8168 0.8272 0.8210 0.7957 0.7804 0.7903 0.7948 0.7353 0.7479 0.7125 0.5977 0.5720	10.131 6.995 7.447 8.025 7.747 6.141 5.613 4.952 3.148 2.712 1.910 1.472 1.440 0.791 1.283	$\begin{array}{r} 4.564\\ 3.151\\ 3.355\\ 3.615\\ 3.490\\ 2.766\\ 2.529\\ 2.231\\ 1.418\\ 1.222\\ 0.860\\ 0.663\\ 0.648\\ 0.356\\ 0.578\end{array}$	9.340 6.204 6.656 7.234 6.956 5.350 4.823 4.161 2.358 1.922 1.119 0.681 0.649 0.000 0.492	4.207 2.795 2.998 3.259 3.133 2.410 2.172 1.874 1.062 0.866 0.504 0.307 0.292 0.000 0.222	0.3428 0.3163 0.3491 0.3288 0.3423 0.3422 0.3396 0.3492 0.3185 0.3492 0.3244 0.3386	1978 1950 1948 1938 1934 1928 1921 1916 1901 1903 1889 1877

# SUMMARY OF 210Pb ANALYSES

(\*) Year calculated using the sedimentation rate of the sample

Appendix E. Lead Sedimentation Rate Analysis, CIC2 Model.

 $\ln (A - A') = \ln (11.410) - 0.227 (X)$ R = -0.935

where (A - A') = unsupported <sup>210</sup>Pb in pCig<sup>-1</sup>, and X =cumulative dry weight in g cm<sup>-</sup> based on data from lines 2 to 16

Specific Gravity = 2.574 g cm<sup>-3</sup>  $P/\omega = 11.410$  $\omega = 0.137$ 

The initial porosity at the sediment/water interface is 88.29

Atmospheric flux rate at the time of collection 1996.129 is 3.467  $dpm cm^{-2} yr^{-1}$  or 1.562 pCi cm<sup>-2</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup>

Supported <sup>226</sup>Ra activity = 0.356 pCig<sup>-1</sup> or 0.791 dpmg<sup>-1</sup>

Mass Sedimentation Rate = 0.137 g cm<sup>-2</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup>

SUMMARY OF <sup>210</sup>Pb ANALYSES

MidSam Cum. DryWt. g <sup>.</sup> cm <sup>-2</sup>	Porosity	Total <sup>210</sup> Pb dpmg <sup>-1</sup>	Total <sup>210</sup> Pb pCig <sup>1</sup>	Unsupp. <sup>210</sup> Pb dpm.g <sup>-1</sup>	Unsupp. <sup>210</sup> Pb pCig <sup>-1</sup>	Years (*)
1.96	0.8205	10.131	4.564	9.340	4.207	1982
5.06	0.7500	6.995	3.151	6.204	2.795	1959
5.89	0.8055	7.447	3.355	6.656	2.998	1953
6.63	0.8168	8.025	3.615	7.234	3.259	1948
7.40	0.8272	7.747	3.490	6.956	3.133	1942
8.12	0.8210	6.141	2.766	5.350	2.410	1937
8.86	0.7957	5.613	2.529	4.823	2.172	1931
9.61	0.7804	4.952	2.231	4.161	1.874	1926
10.43	0.7903	3.148	1.418	2.358	1.062	1920
11.24	0.7948	2.712	1.222	1.922	0.866	1914
12.06	0.7353	1.910	0.860	1.119	0.504	1908
13.93	0.7479	1.472	0.663	0.681	0.307	1894
16.01	0.7125	1.440	0.648	0.649	0.292	
22.05	0.5977	0.791	0.356	0.000	0.000	
39.40	0.5720	1.283	0.578	0.492	0.222	

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(\*) Year calculated using the mass sedimentation rate of the sample

Appendix F. Lead Sedimentation Rate Analysis, CRS Model.

Depth		MidScn					()	-		
Uncomp	Cum.	Cum.	Unsupp.		Ċum.	Time	Cum.Avç	J		
Mid-Pt	Dry Wt	Dry Wt	Activity	Area	Area	R D *	Rass SodDate	<b>D</b> = 4 -	Mass	
Cm	g/cm2	g/cm2	pCi/q	pCi/cm2	DCi/cm2	Voard	Seurale Glample	pate	SedRate	•
0.65	0.39	0.19	3.945	0.769	0.769	0 725	g/cmz/yr	100-	g/cm2/yr	
2.14	0.92	0.65	3.945	1.689	2.458	0.725	0.209	1995	0.269	
4.01	1.60	1.26	3.398	2,101	4.559	4 560	0.2/5	1993	0.278	
6.10	2.33	1.96	3.548	2.734	7 203	7 640	0.270	1991	0.277	
14.47	5.55	5.06	4.207	10.835	18,128	2/ 000	0.257	1988	0.229	
16.85	6.22	5.89	2.795	2.390	20 518	24.000	0.211	1972	0.189	
19.05	7.04	6.63	2.998	2,331	22 849	34 040	0.202	1967	0.162	
21.31	7.76	7.40	3.259	2.461	25 310	12.303	0.190	1961	0.127	
23.44	8.48	8.12	3.133	1.996	27 305	42.0JL	0.174	1953	0.100	
25.61	9.25	8.86	2.410	1.707	29.012	50.540	0.161	1945	0.091	
27.81	9.97	9.61	2.172	1.507	30 520	59.324	0.149	1936	0.085	
30.16	10.89	10.43	1.874	1.204	31 724	07.705	0.138	1926	0.071	
32.47	11.58	11.24	1.062	0.776	32 /00	01.520	0.128	1914	0.070	
34.87	12.54	12.06	0.866	0.565	32.433	102 307	0.122	1903	0.075	
				0.000	33.004	103.324	<u>0.117</u>	1892	<u>0.075</u>	
*B.P. =	1996						0.190	Mean	0.149	
Based o	n data fi	om lines	1 to 15				0.056	StdDe	v. 0.079	

Total Area equals 34.445

Atmospheric flux rate at the time of collection 1996.129 is 1.07 pCicm<sup>2</sup>yr<sup>-1</sup>

Appendix G. Mean date calculated for each core slice.

	Uncompacted	Cum.	cum.			
	Mid Depth	Dry Wt.	Dry Wt.	CIC1	CIC2	CRS <sup>*</sup>
Sample	<u>in cm</u>	g.cm <sup>-2</sup>	Mid Sam	<u>Year</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Year</u>
1	0.65	0.39	0.19	1994 ± 3	$1995 \pm 3$	1993
2	2.14	0.92	0.65	1991 ± 4	1991 ± 4	1993
3	4.01	1.60	1.26	1986 ± 5	1987 ± 5	1991
4	6.10	2.33	1.96	$1981 \pm 6$	1982 ± 5	1989
5	8.50	3.32	2.82	1974 ± 7	1975 ± 7	1985
6	11.47	4.57	3.95	1967 ± 8	1967 ± 9	1979
7	14.47	5.55	5,06	1959 ± 7	1959 ± 7	1972
8	16.85	6.22	5.89	$1953 \pm 5$	1953 ± 5	1966
9	19.05	7.04	6.63	$1948 \pm 6$	1948 ± 6	1959
10	21.31	7.76	7.40	$1942 \pm 5$	$1942 \pm 5$	1952
. 11	23.44	8.48	8.12	1936 ± 6	$1937 \pm 5$	1944
12	25.61	9.25	8.86	1931 ± 6	1931 ± 6	1936
13	27.81	9.97	9.61	$1925 \pm 6$	1926 ± 5	1926
14	30.16	10.89	10.43	$1919 \pm 6$	$1920 \pm 7$	1915
15	32.47	11.58	11.24	$1913 \pm 5$	$1914 \pm 5$	1903
16	34.87	12.54	12.06	1907 ± 7	$1908 \pm 7$	1890
17	37.62	13.50	13.02	1900 ± 7	$1901 \pm 7$	
18	40.27	14.35	13.93	$1893 \pm 6$	$1894 \pm 6$	
19	43.06	15.53	14.94	1886 ± 8	1887 ± 9	

 $^{\circ}$  Calculation based on a Multiple Linear Regression with an  $R^2$  of 0.9990 and a Standard Error of 1.0730.





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