

Induced Polarization and Hydraulic Permeability

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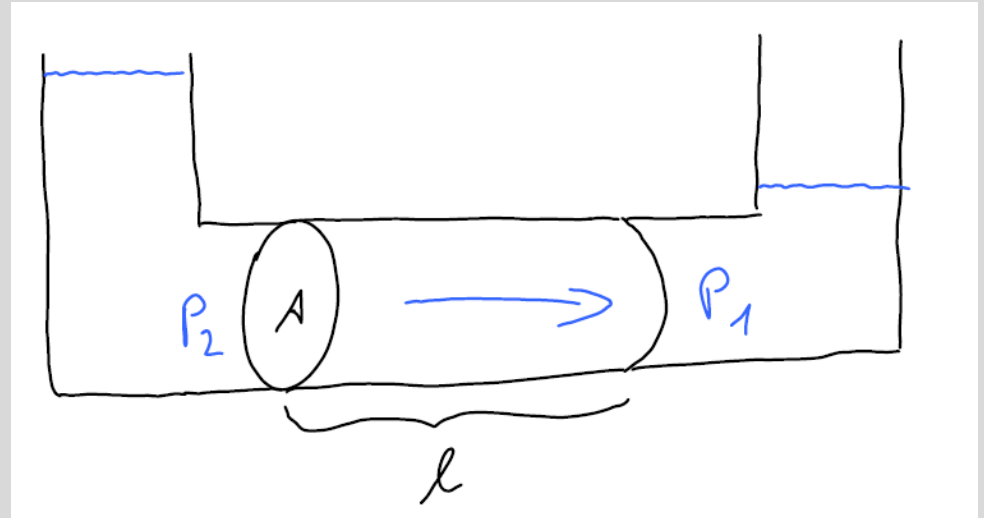
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Hydraulic permeability (k)

Darcy's law

$$Q = k \cdot \frac{(p_2 - p_1) \cdot A}{\eta \cdot l}$$



Q = discharge in m^3/s
 η = viscosity in $kg/m \cdot s$

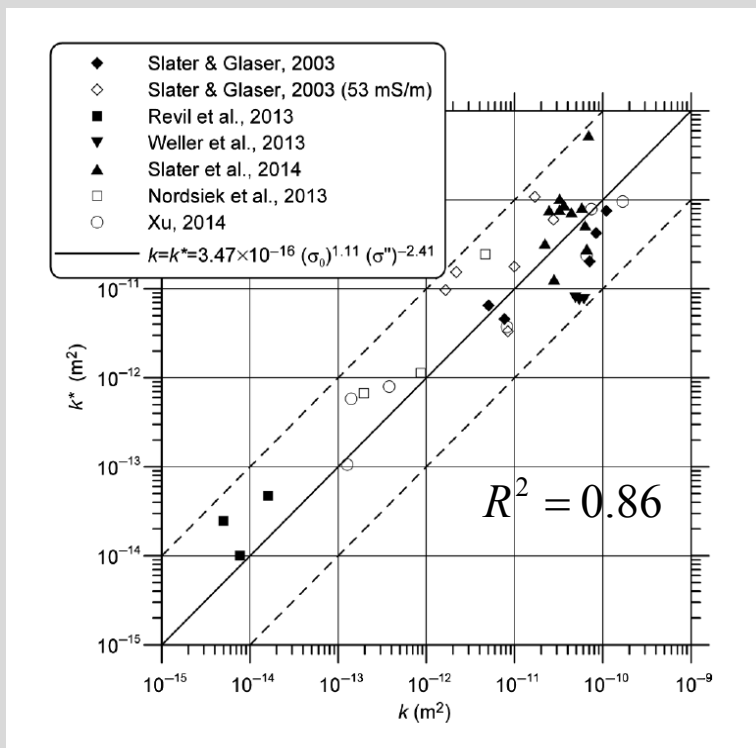
k = hydraulic permeability in m^2

$$1 \text{ Darcy} = 10^{-12} m^2$$



IP vs k: unconsolidated samples

Weller et al. (2015): Correlate k directly with σ_0 (or σ_{bulk}) and σ''



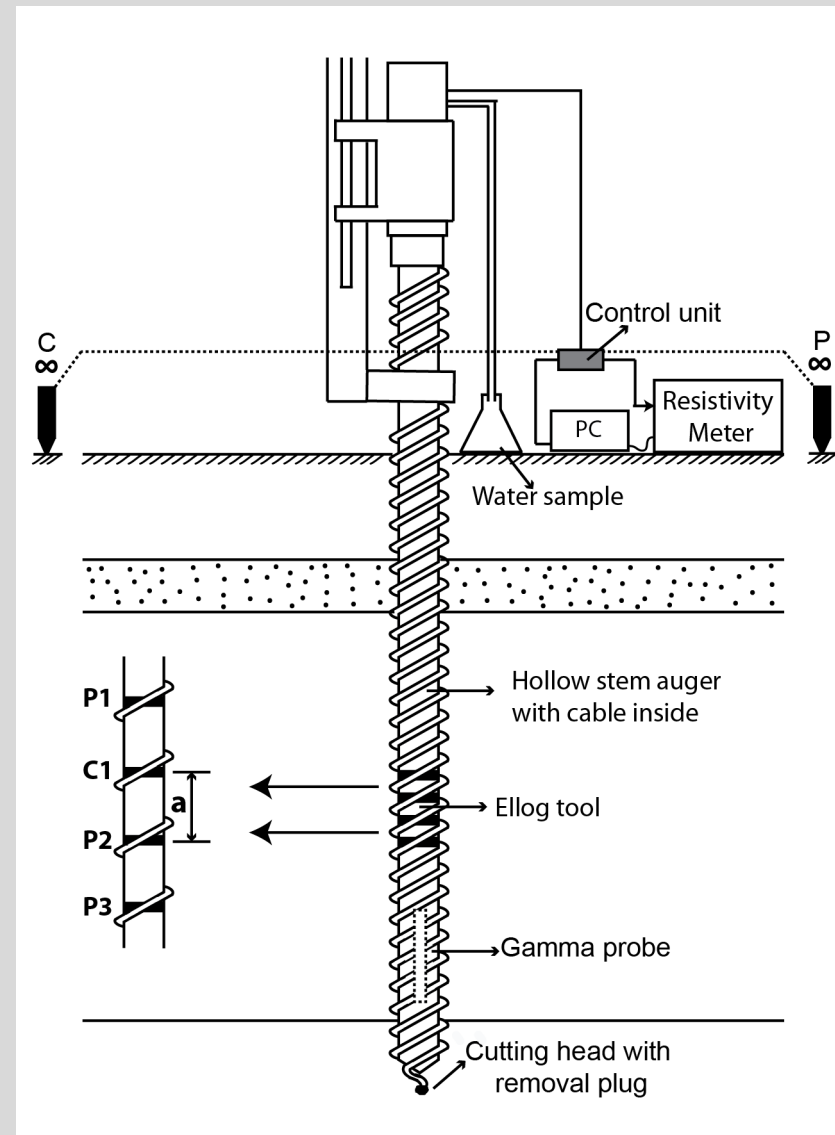
$$k^* = \frac{3.47 \times 10^{-16} \sigma_0^{1.11}}{\sigma''^{2.41}}, \quad (24)$$

- **Frequency 1 Hz**
- **Water conductivity 0.1 S/m**
- **Electrolyte Na Cl**



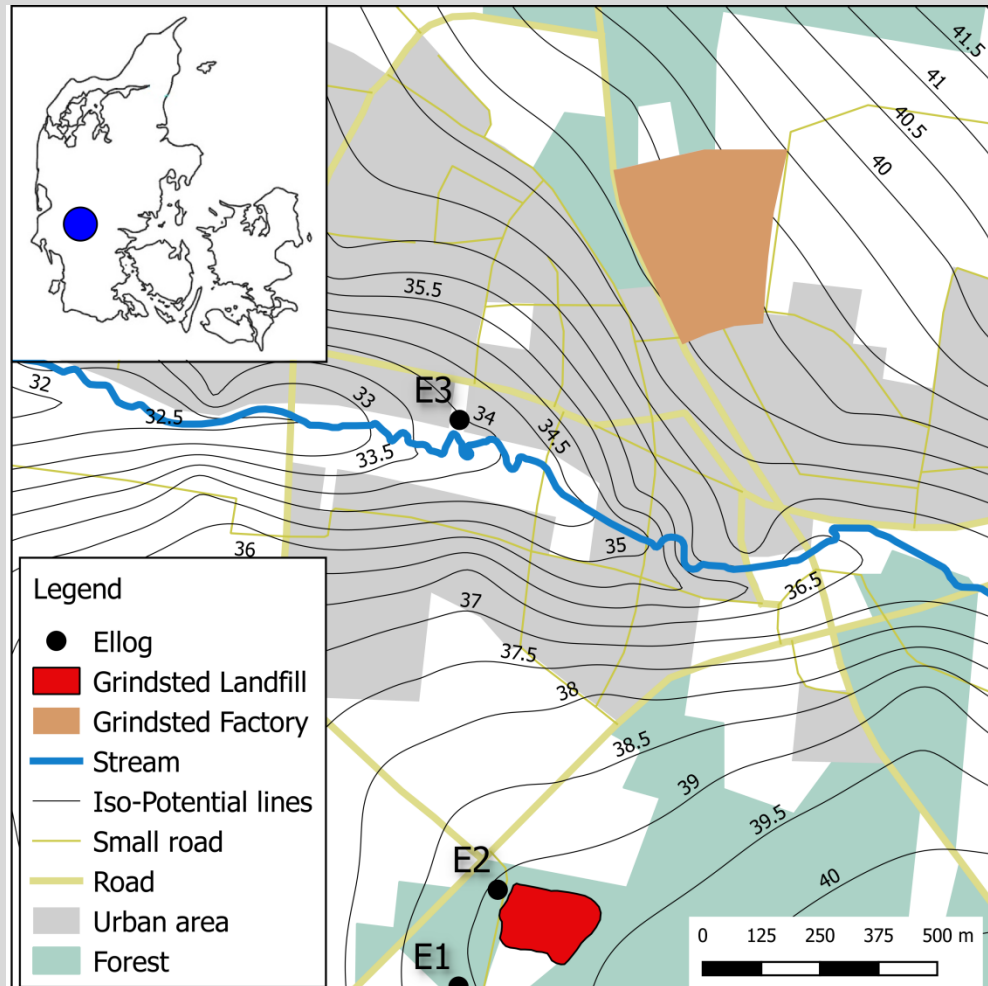
El-log method

- **“logging-while-drilling” technique**
 - Direct current (DC) measurements
 - Full-decay time-domain induced polarization (TDIP)
 - Gamma radiation
- **Measurements on “undisturbed” formation**
 - A laboratory in the field?



The Grindsted survey

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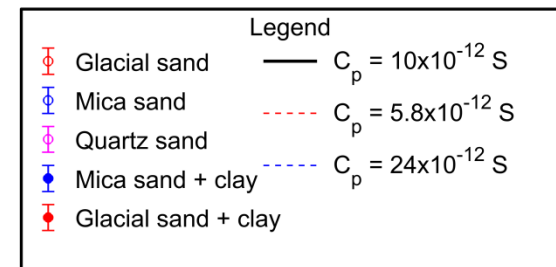
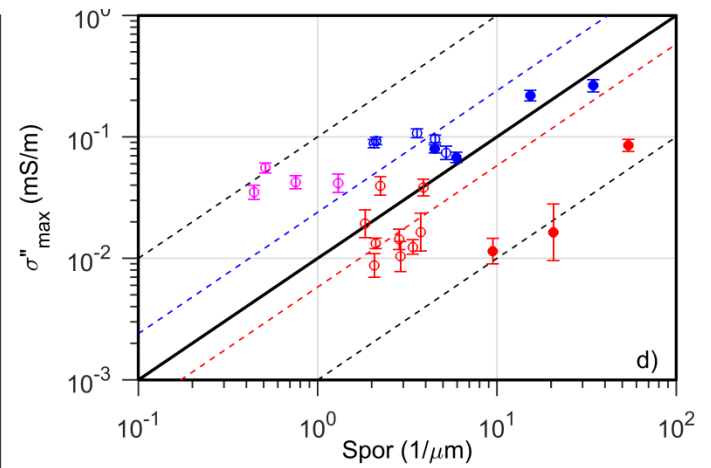
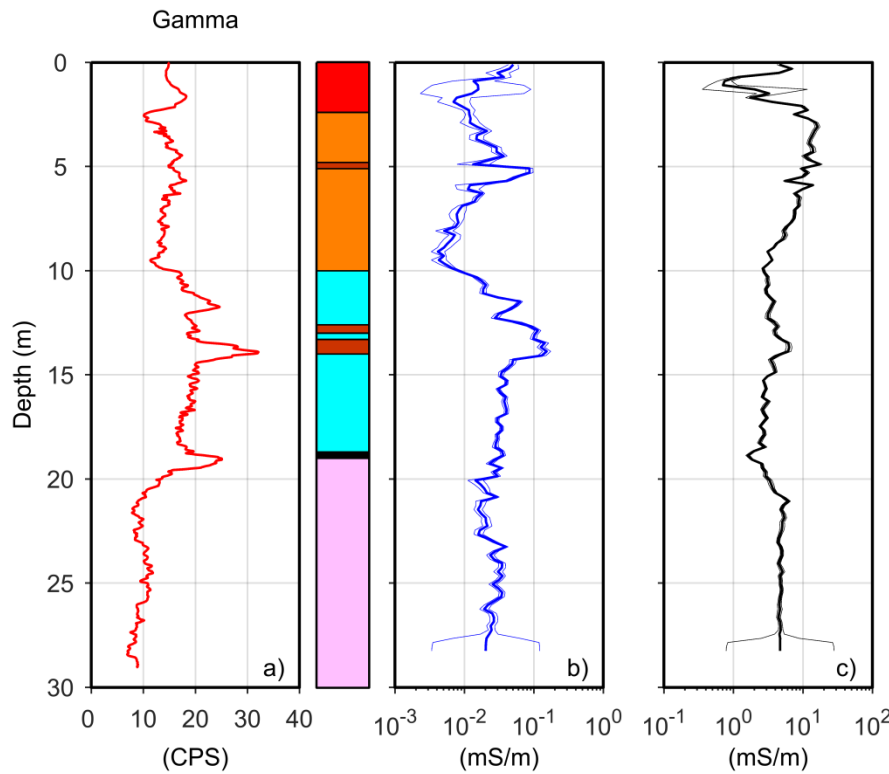
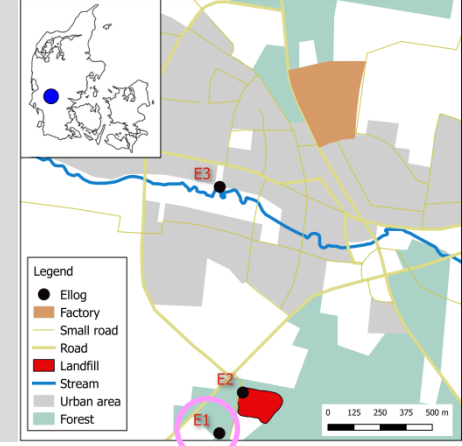
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- **3 EI-logs: 30 m, 27 m and 10 m deep**
- **Grain size analysis (GSA) on 58 samples (19, 25 and 14 samples, respectively)**
- **9 Slug tests (ST) (2, 6 and 1 slug tests, respectively)**



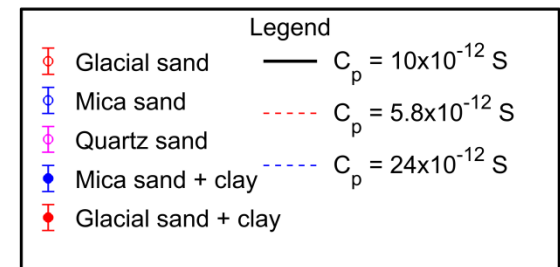
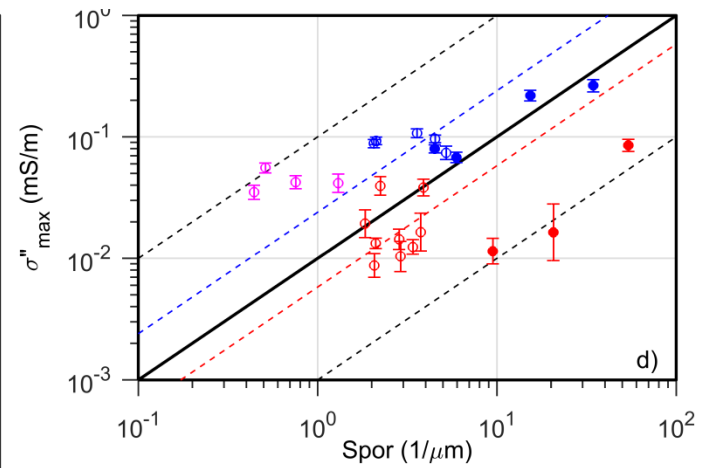
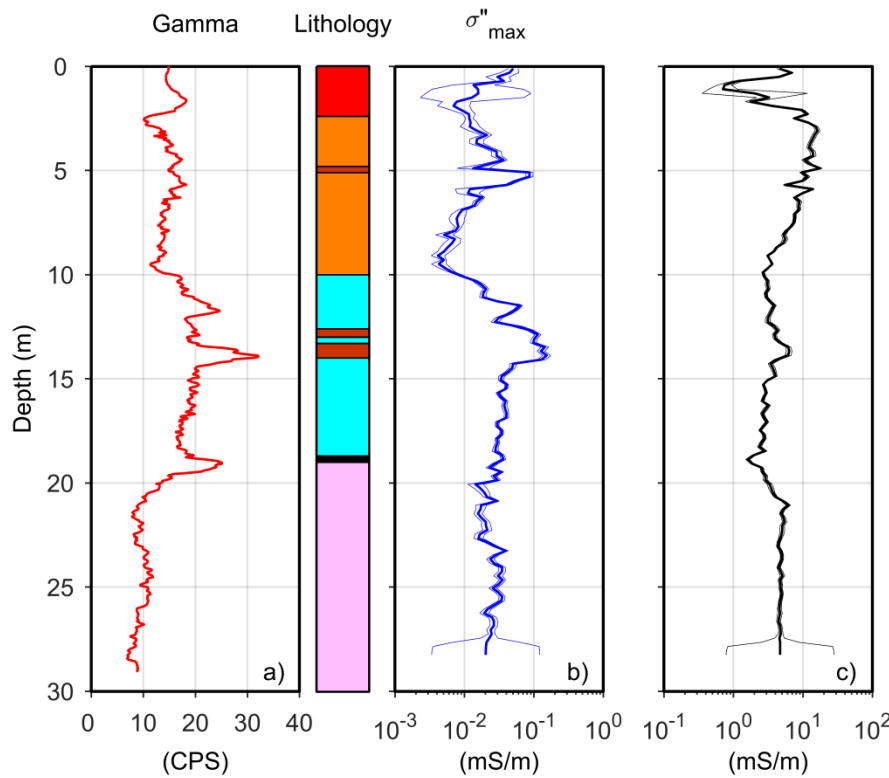
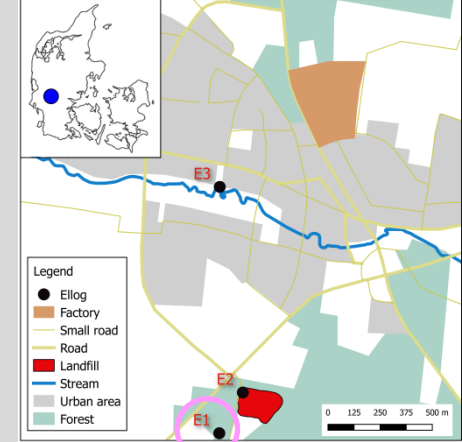
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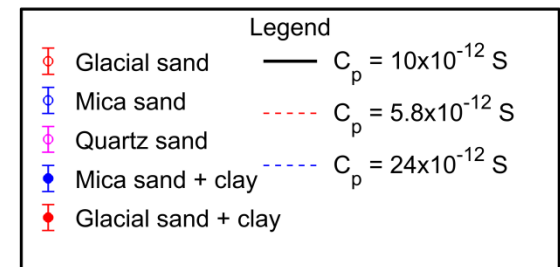
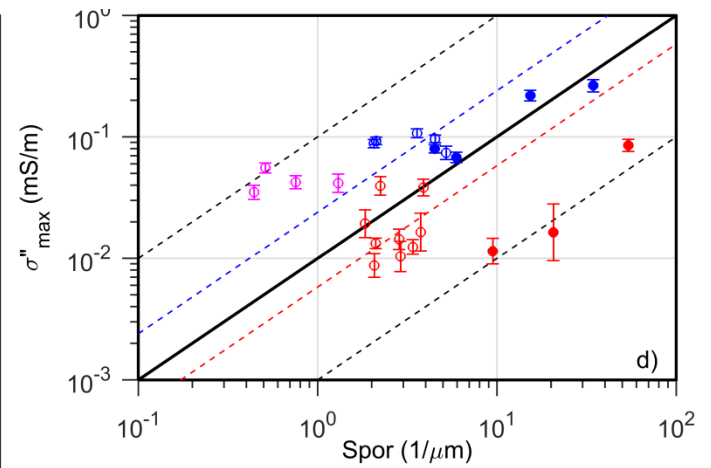
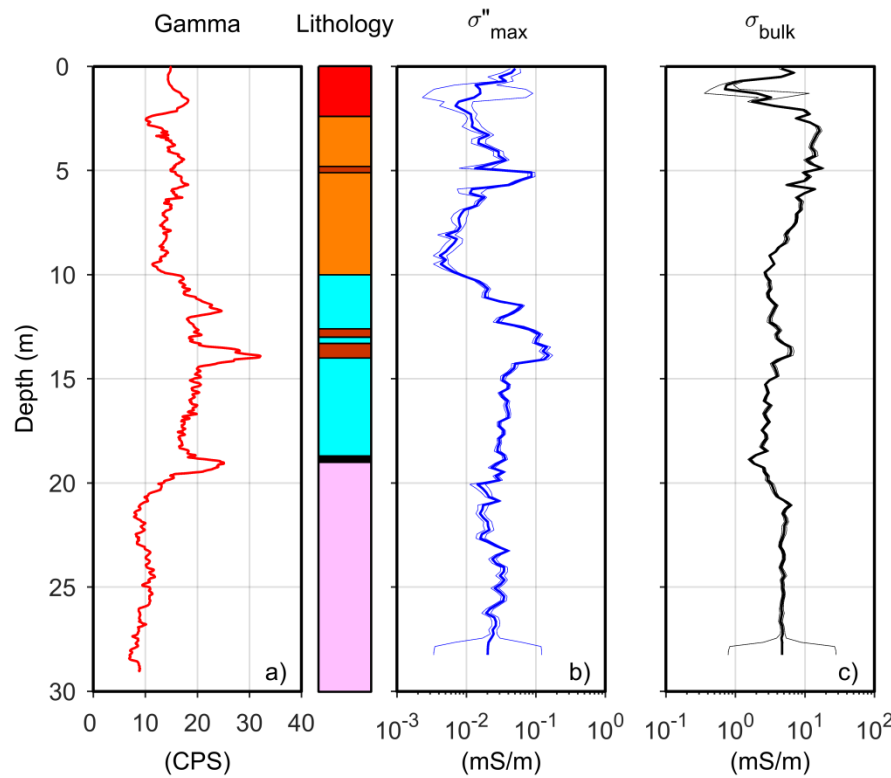
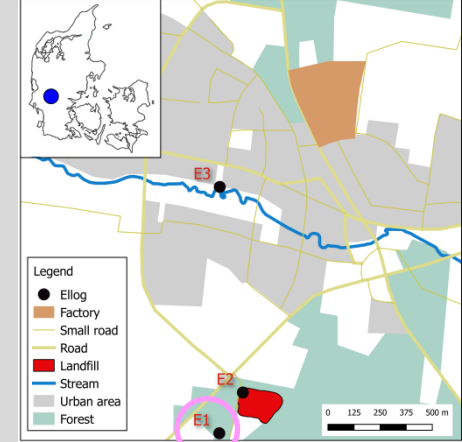
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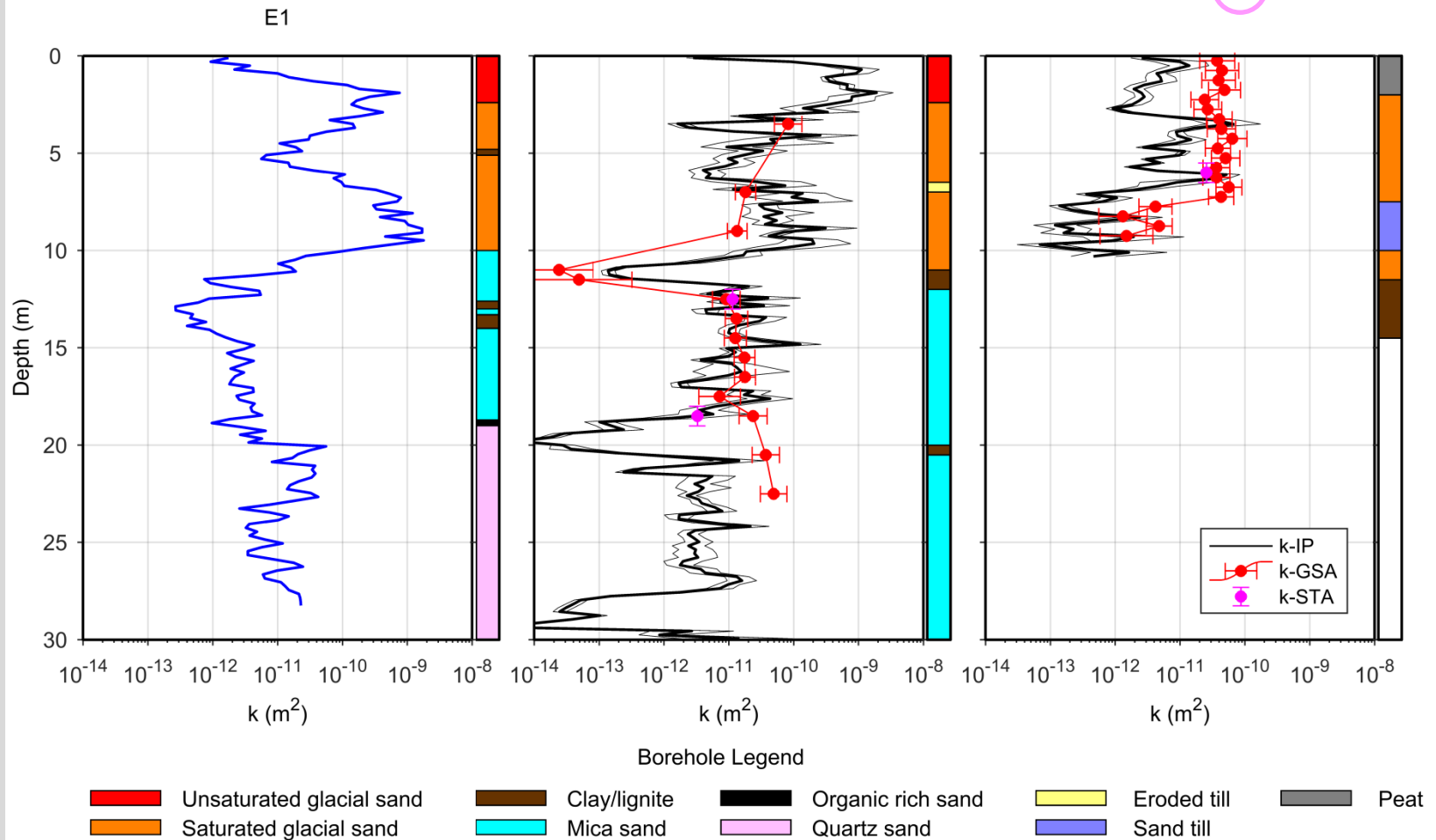
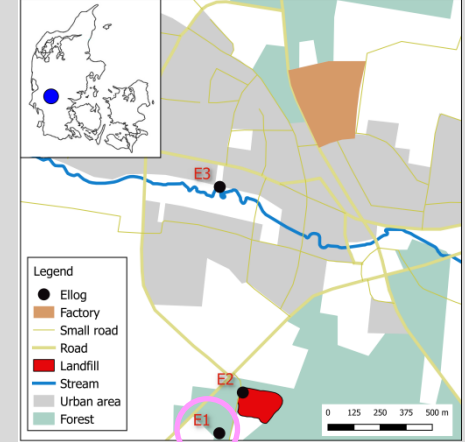
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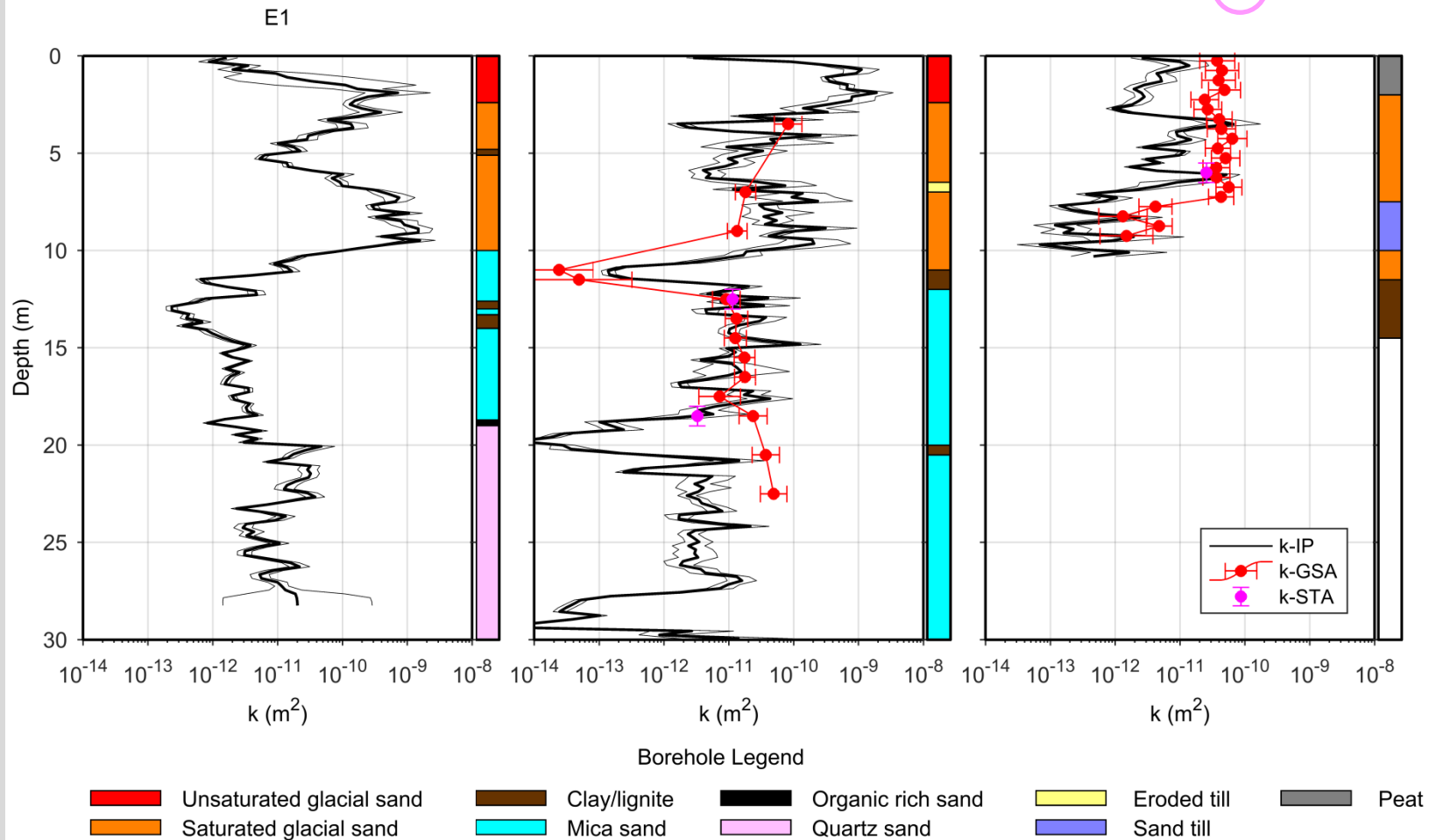
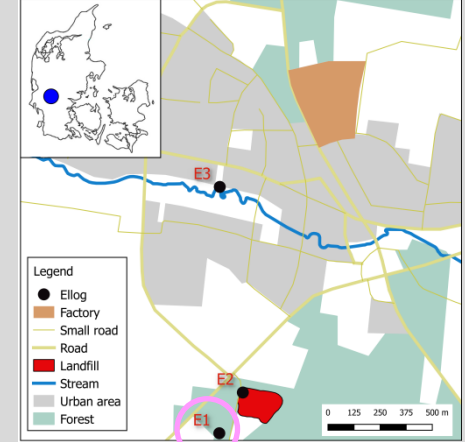
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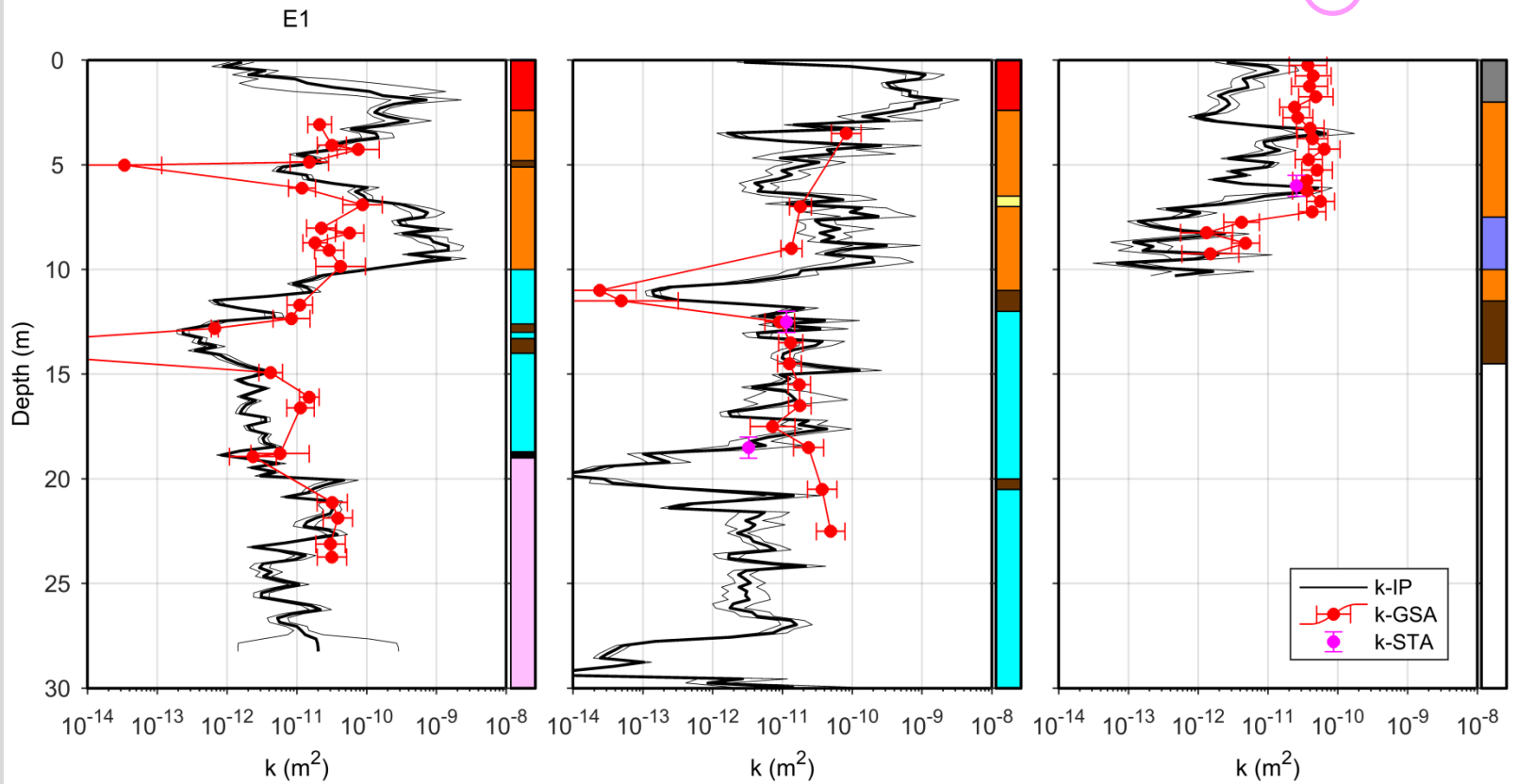
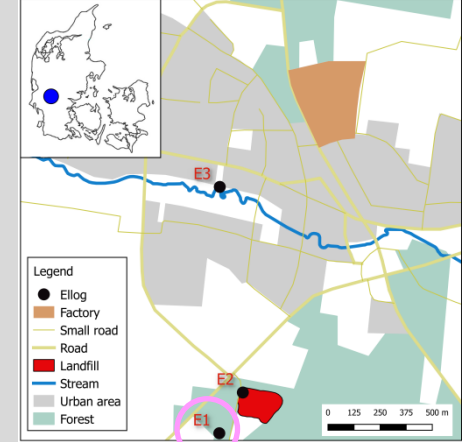
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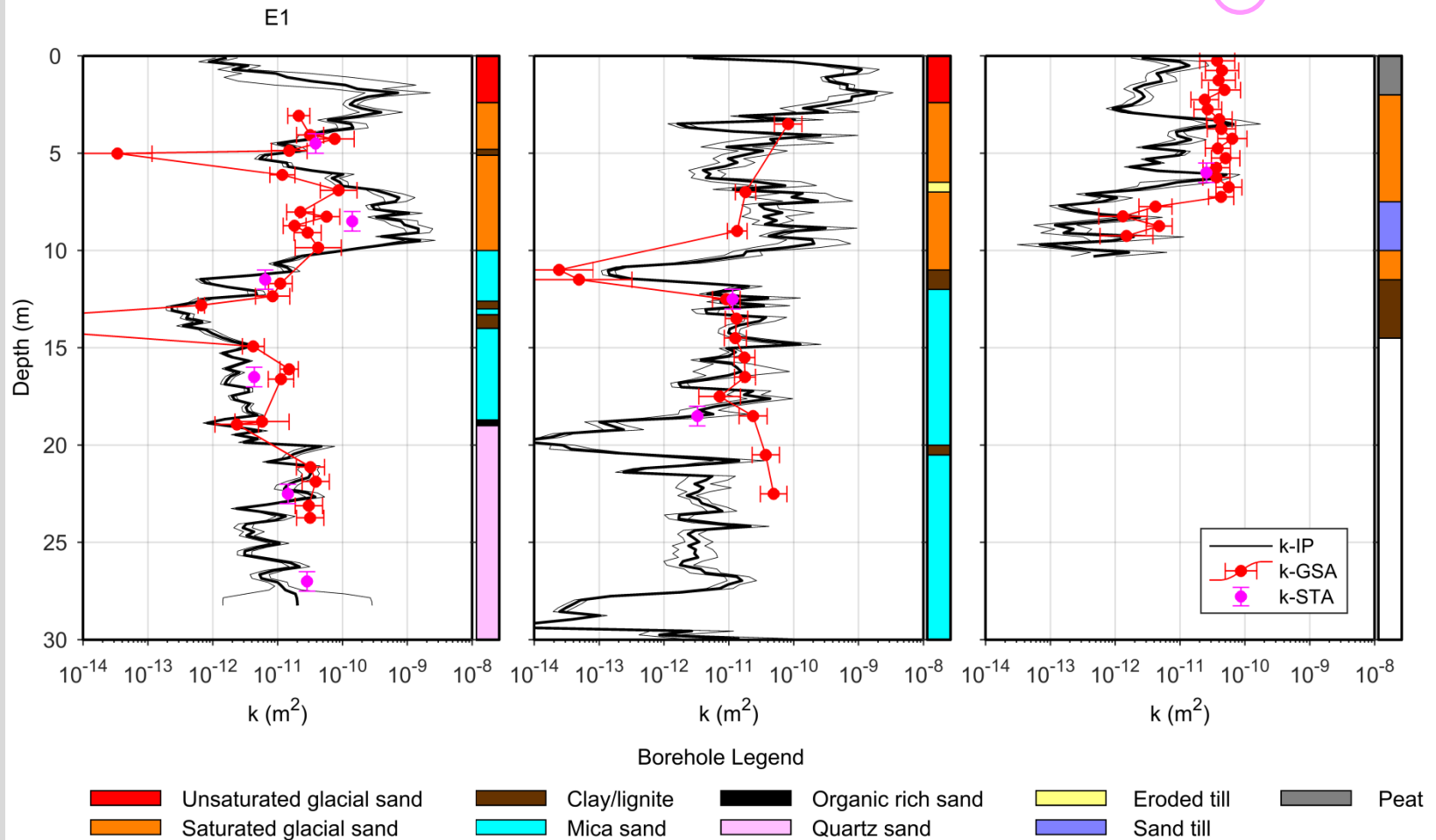
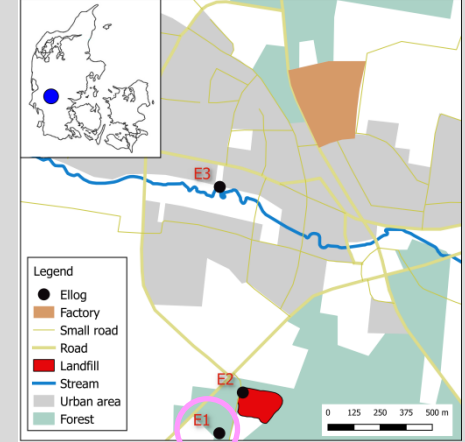


Borehole Legend



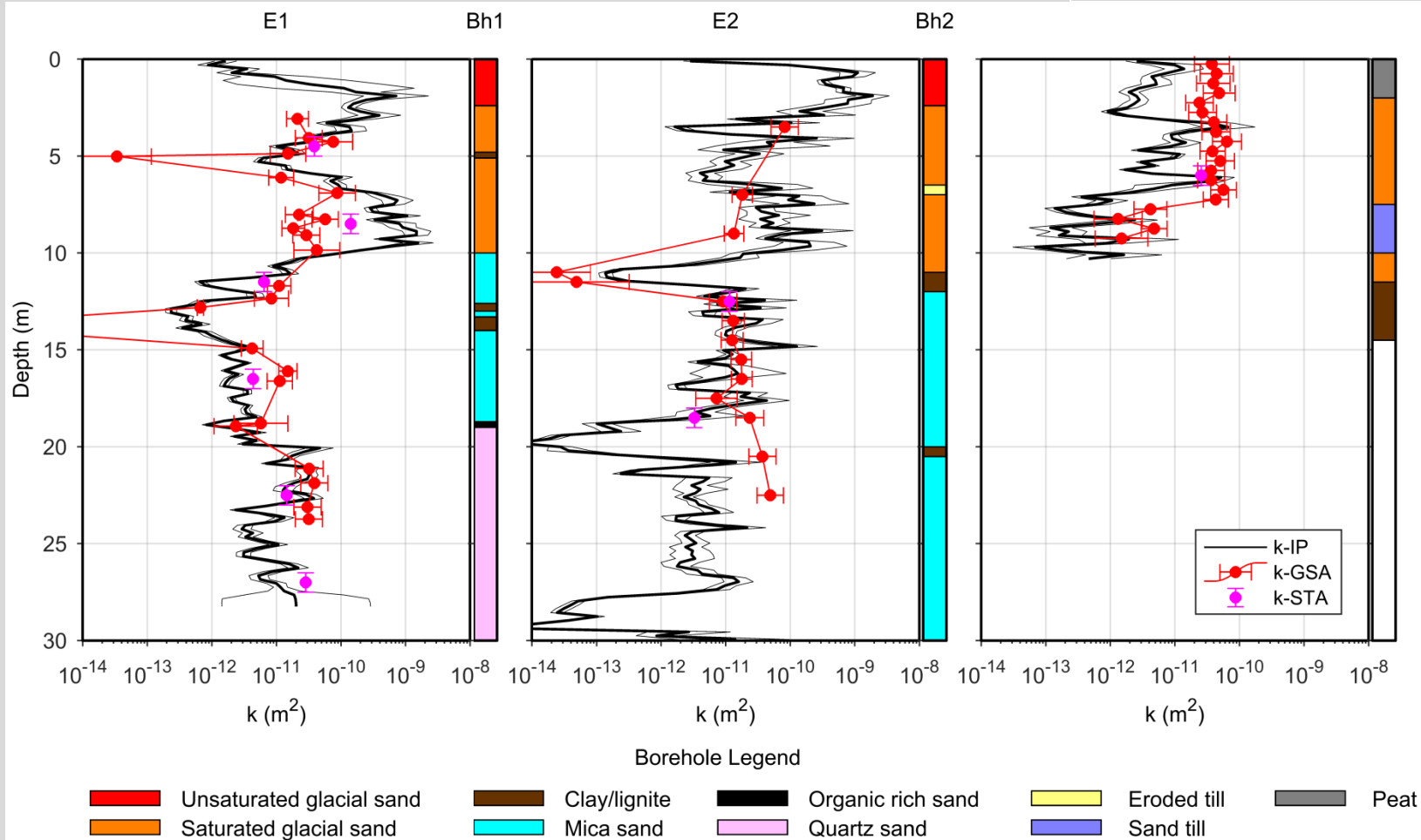
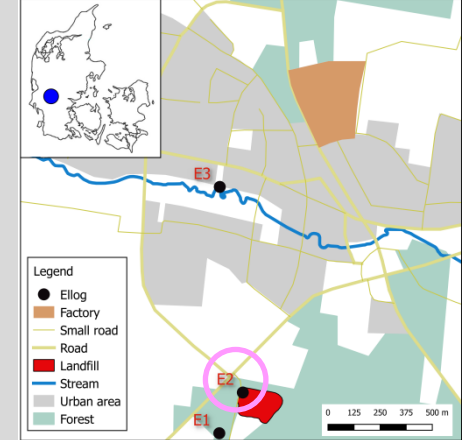
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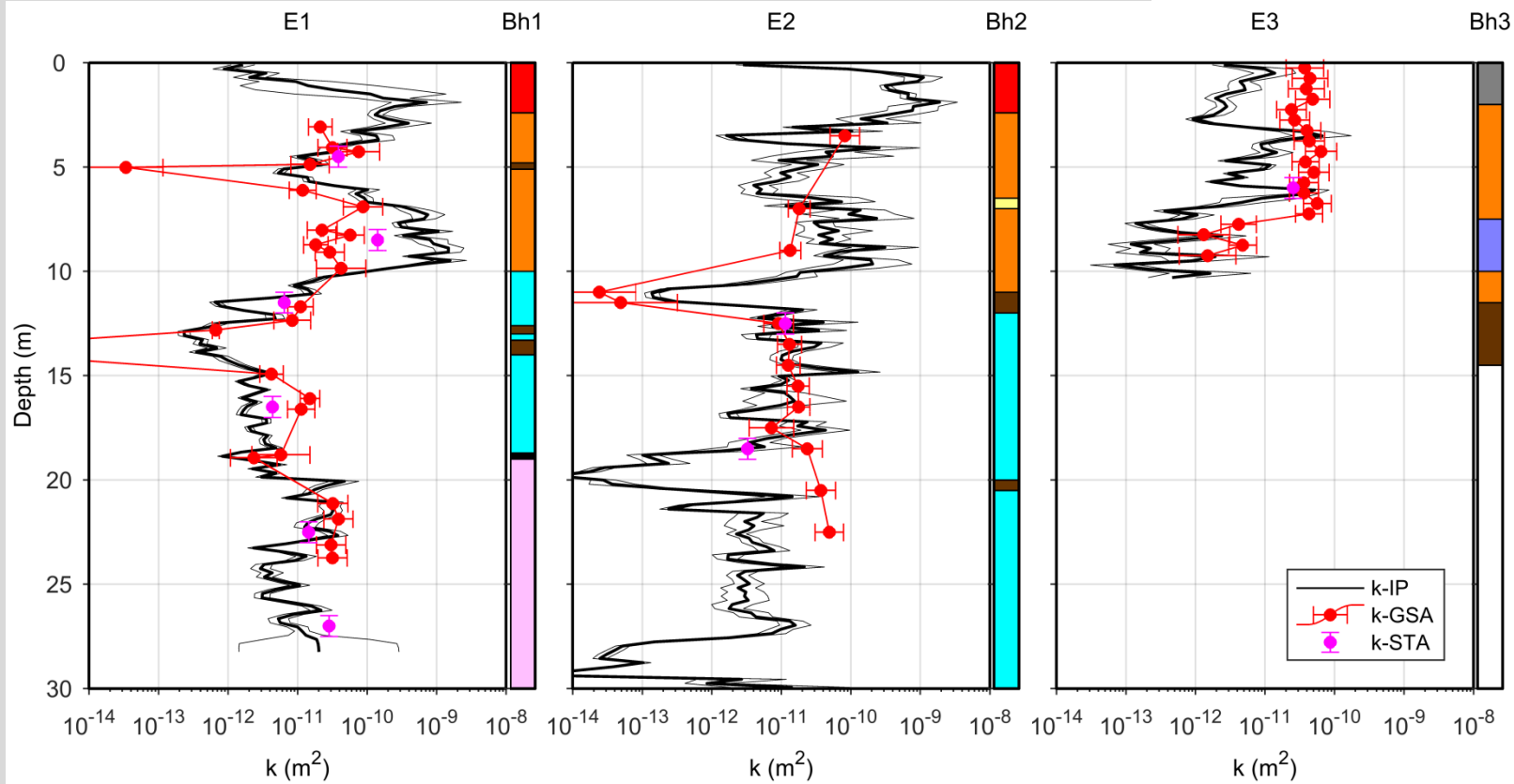
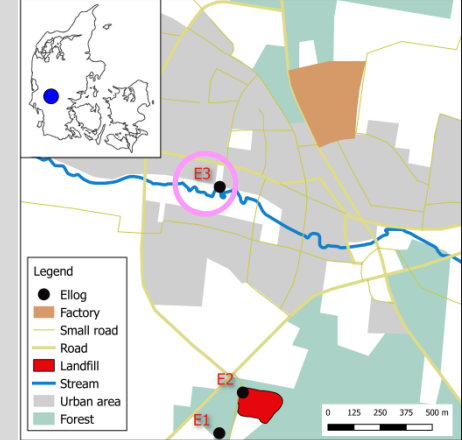
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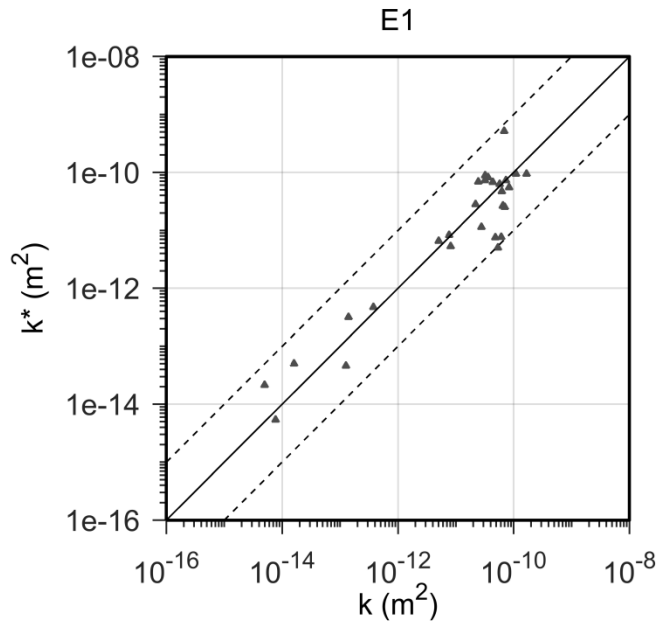
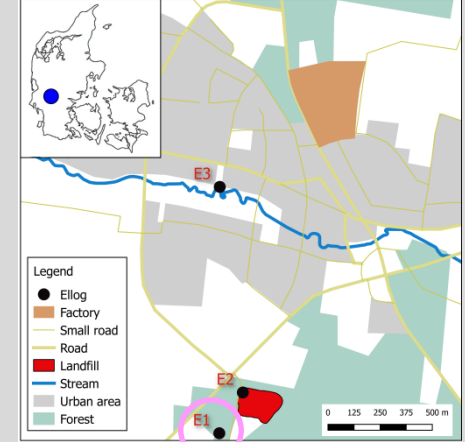
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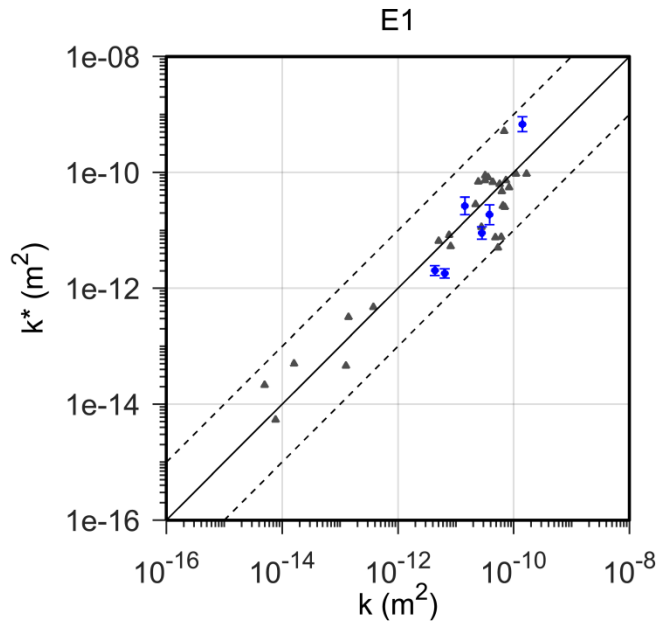
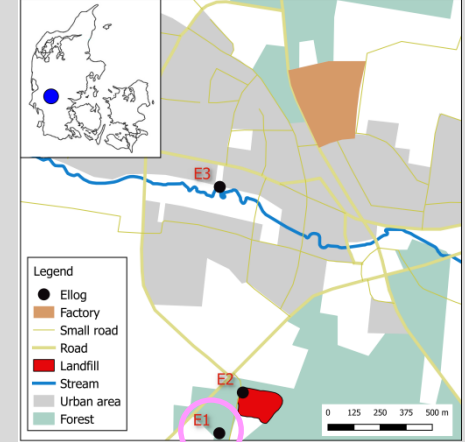
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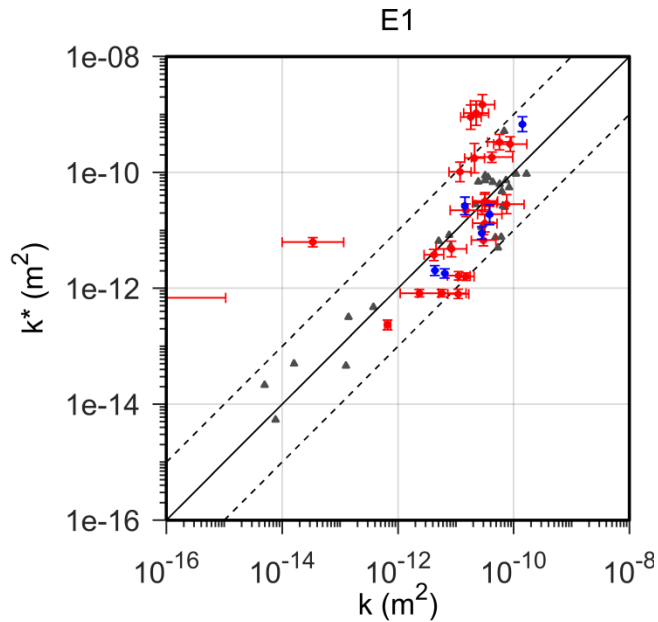
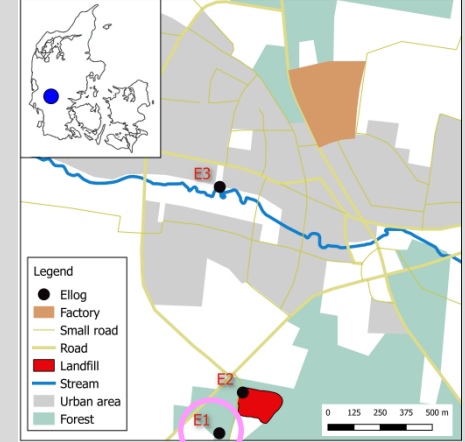
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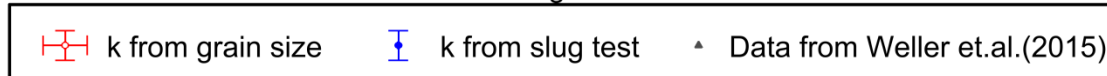


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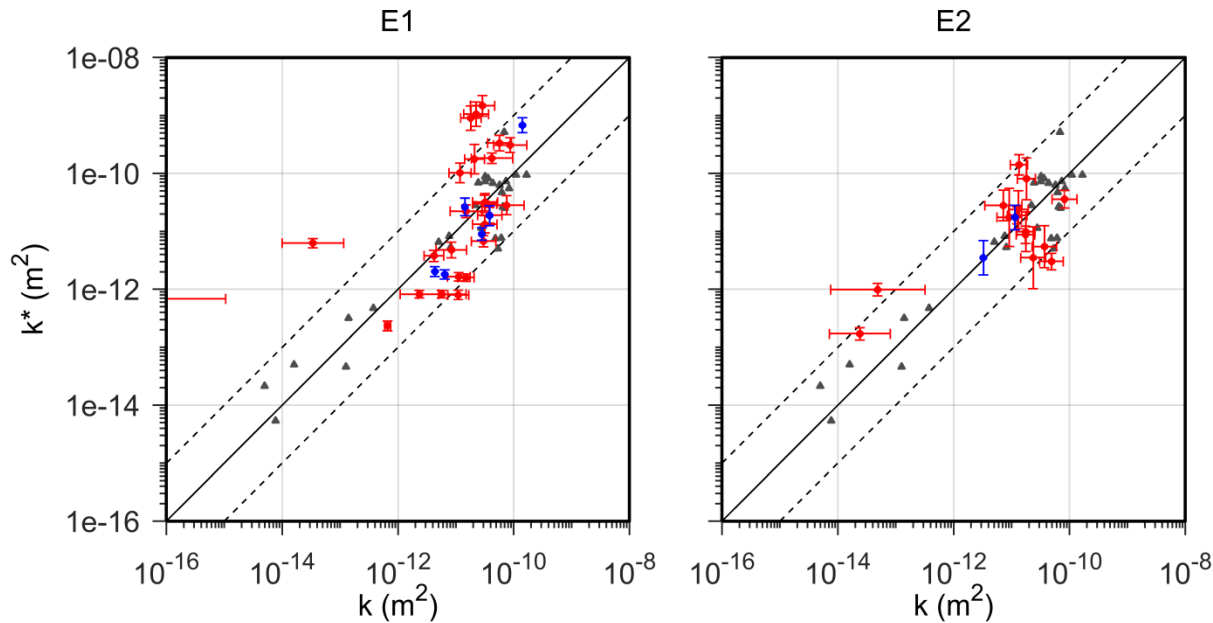
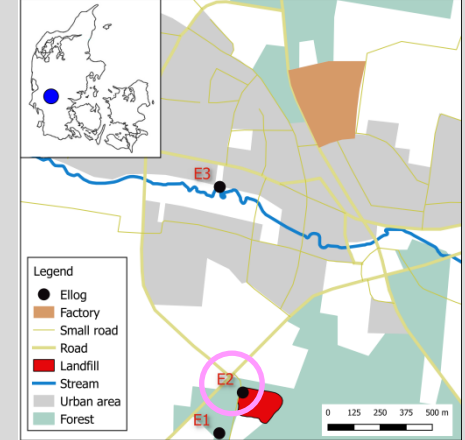


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



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 k from grain size

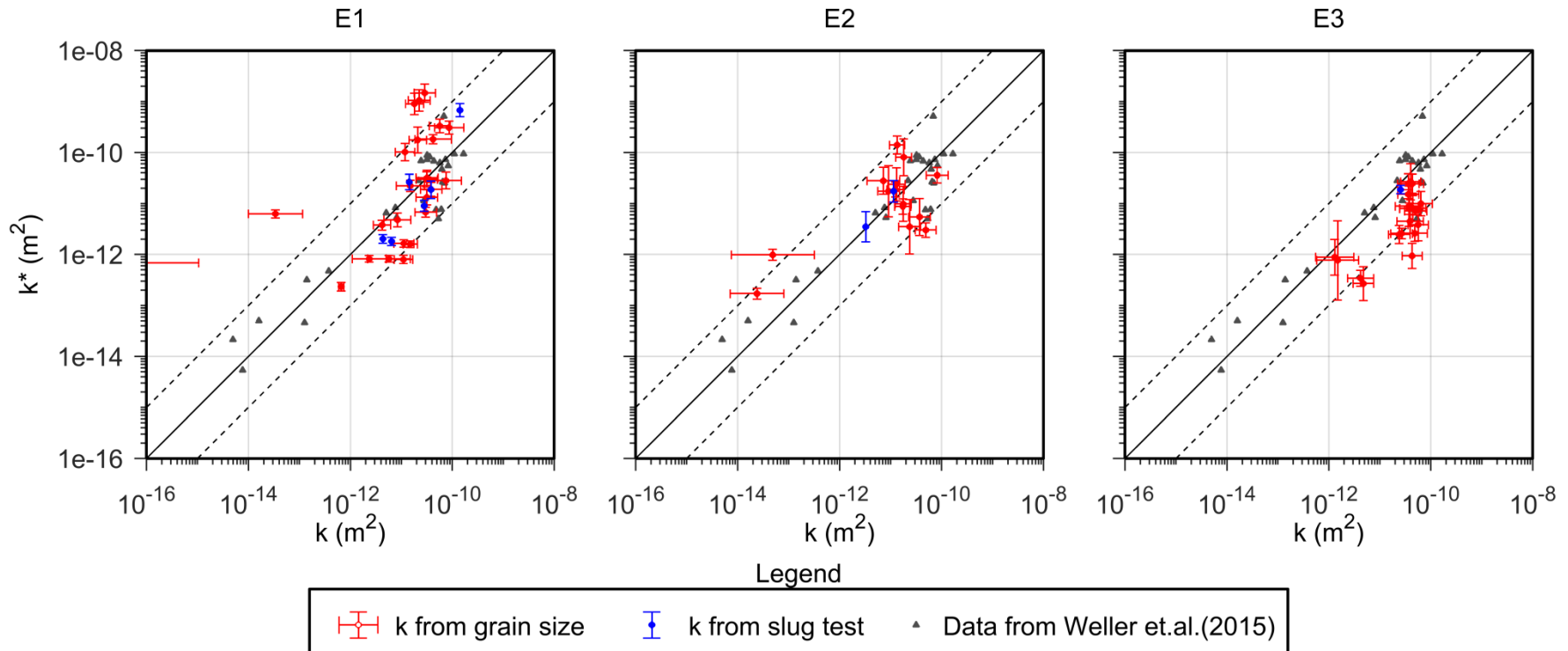
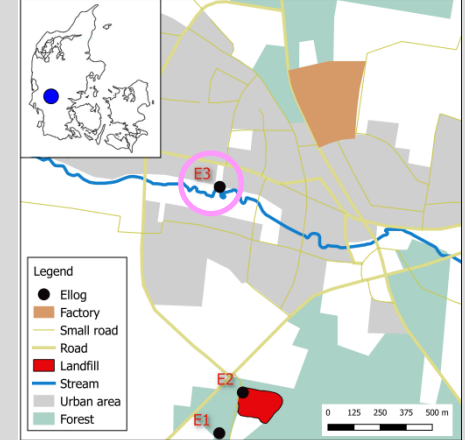
 k from slug test

 Data from Weller et.al.(2015)

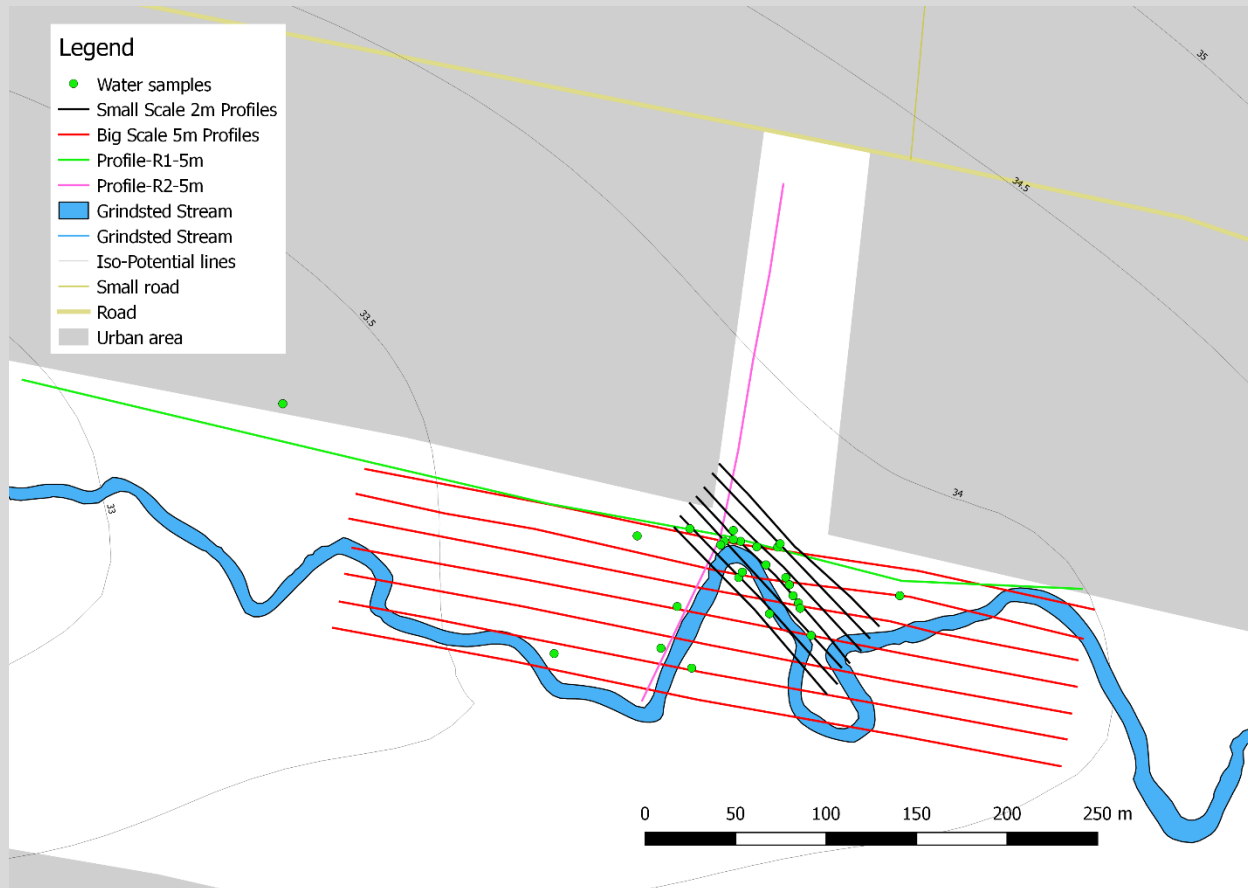


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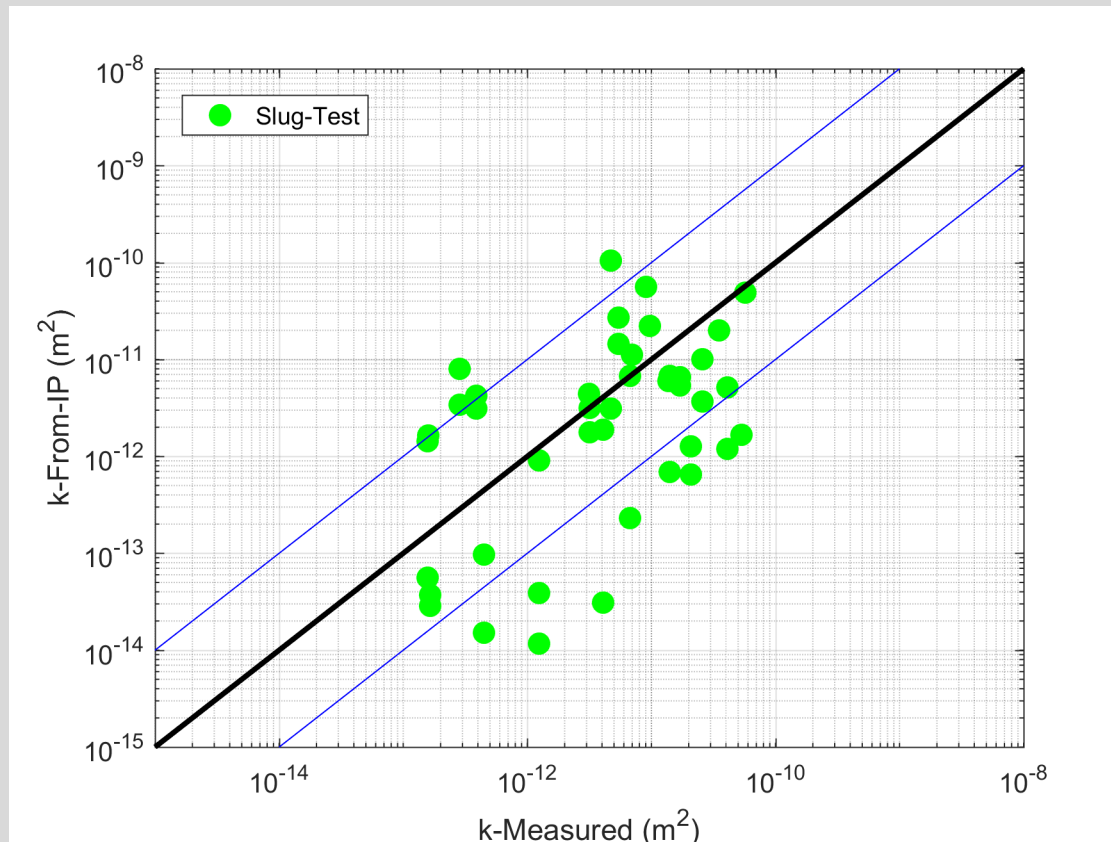


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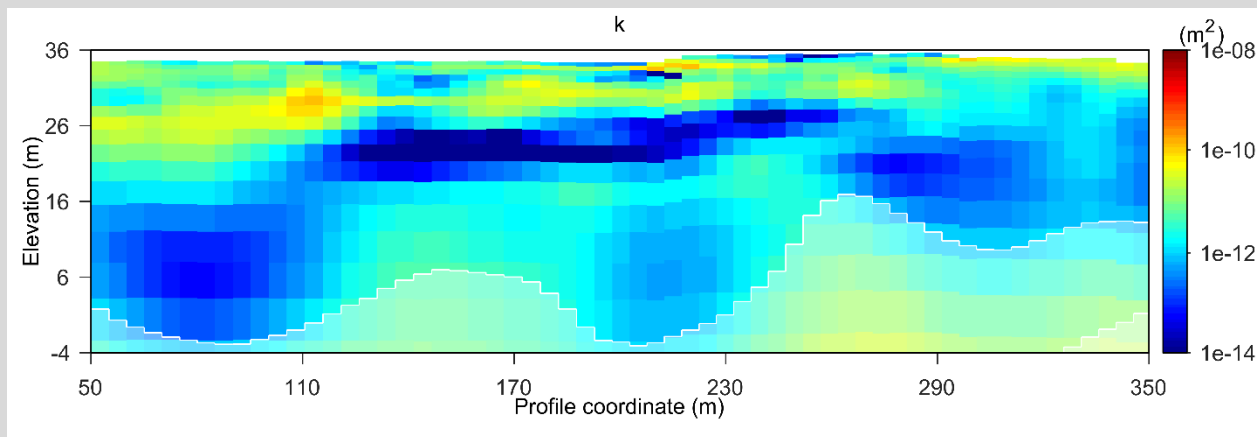
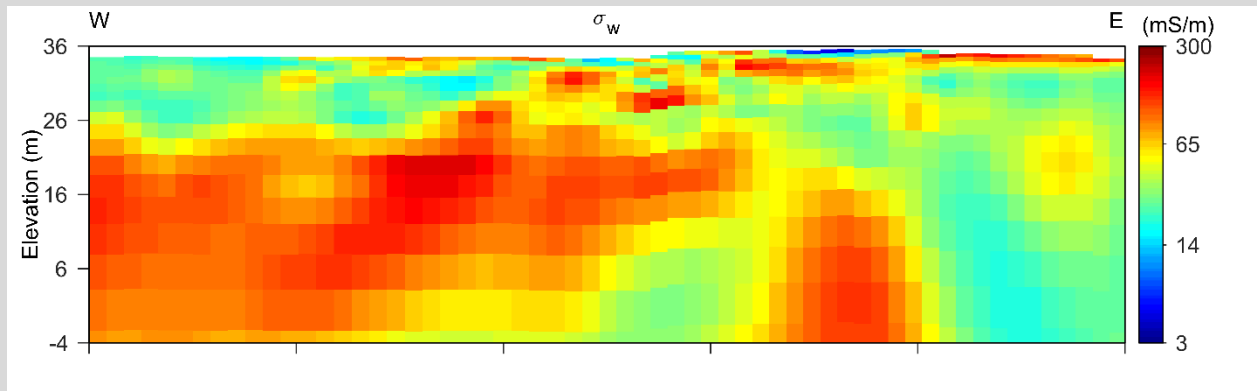
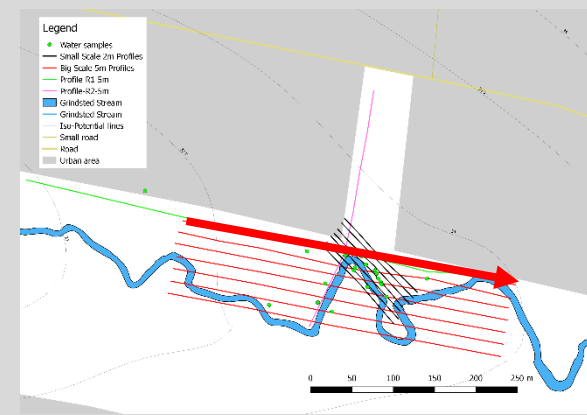


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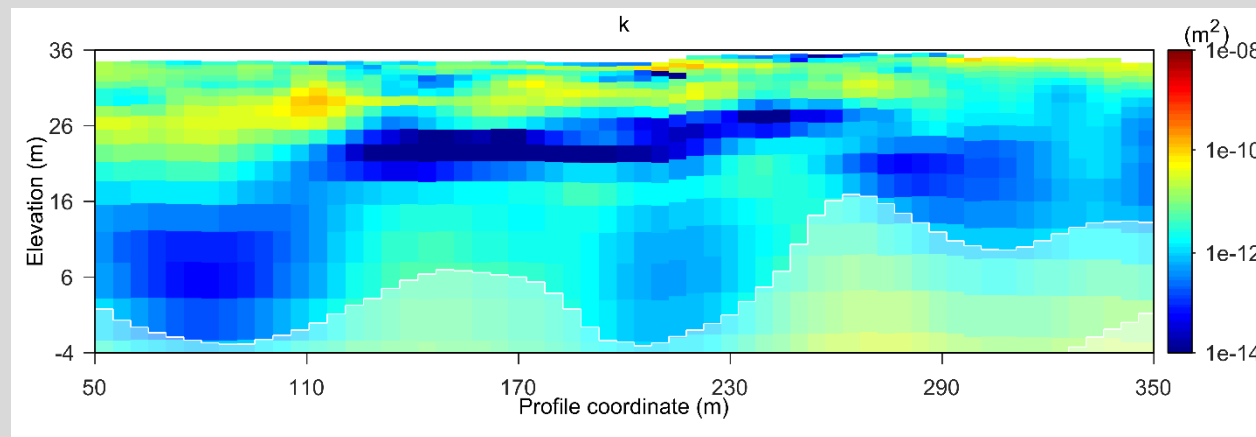
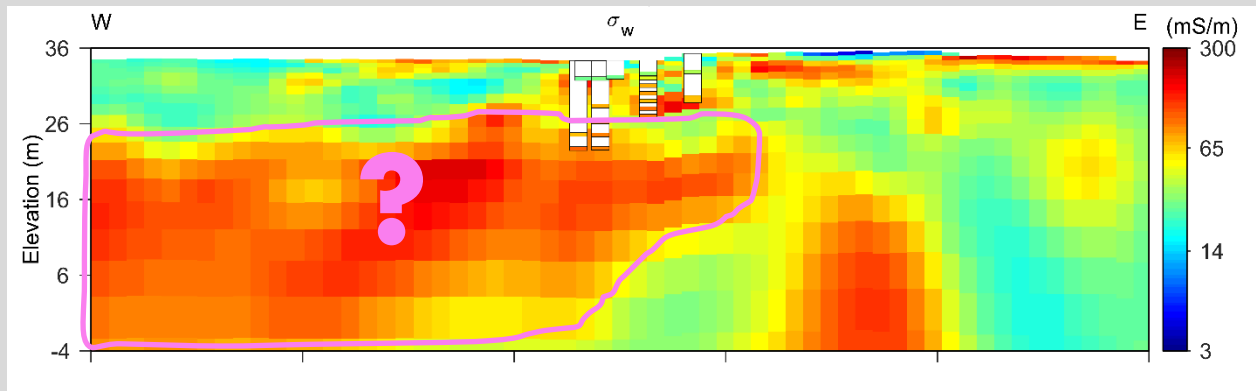
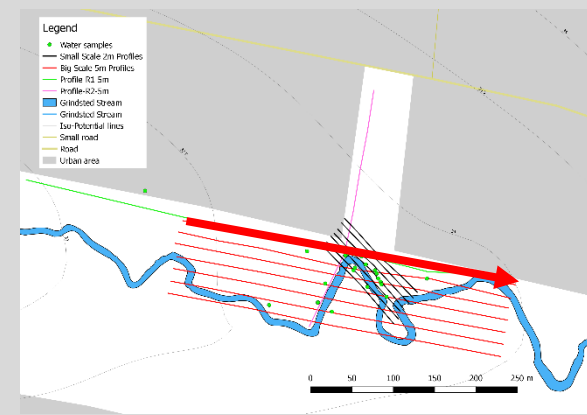
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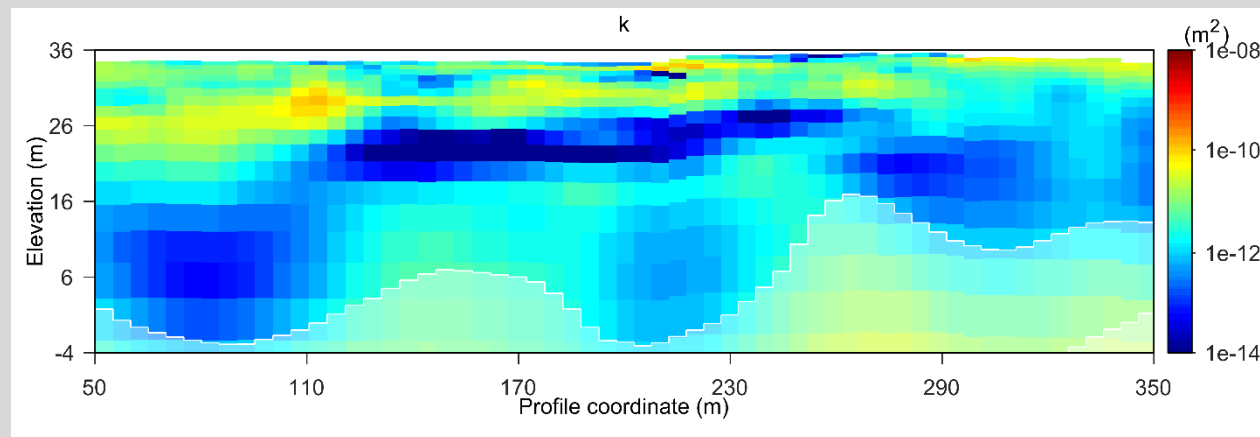
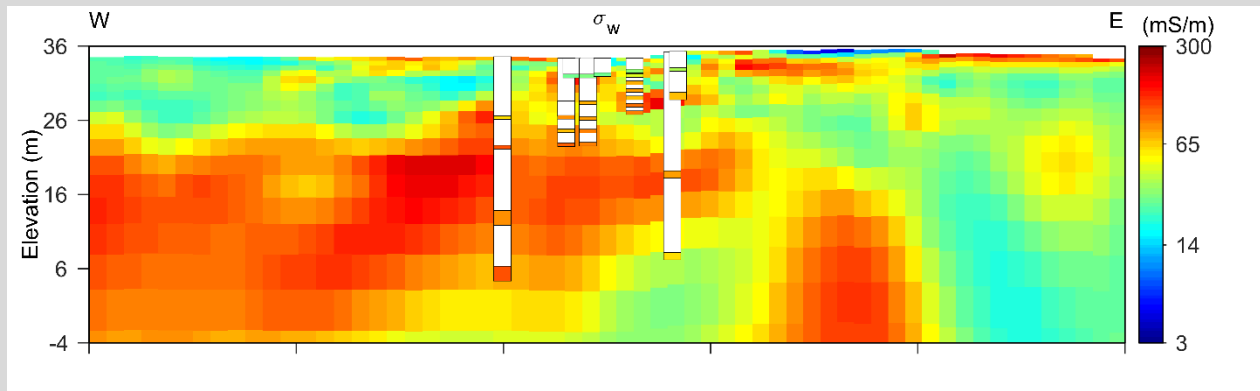
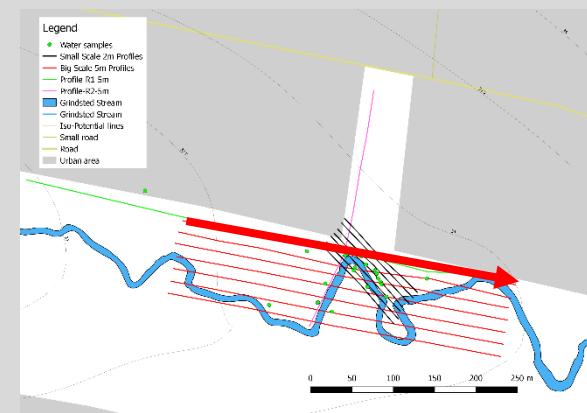
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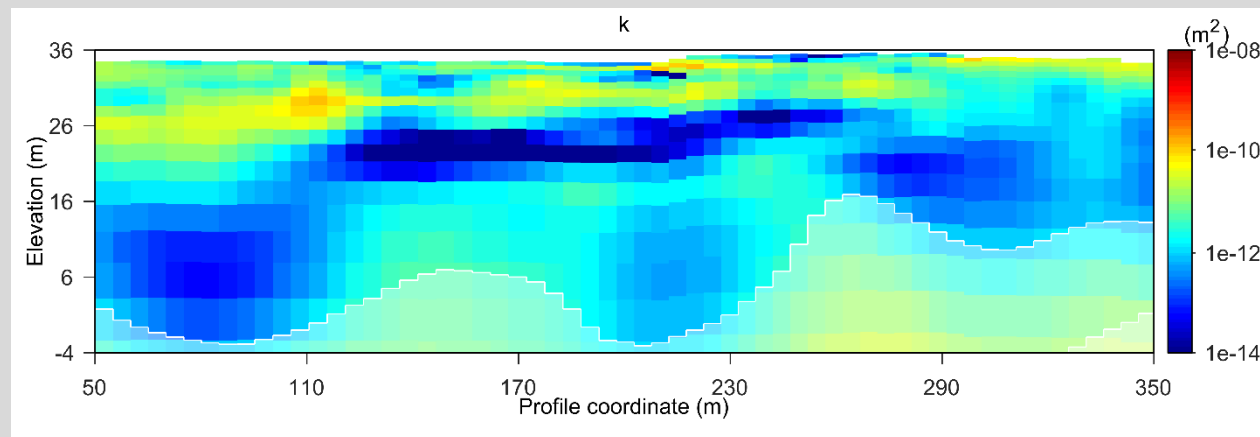
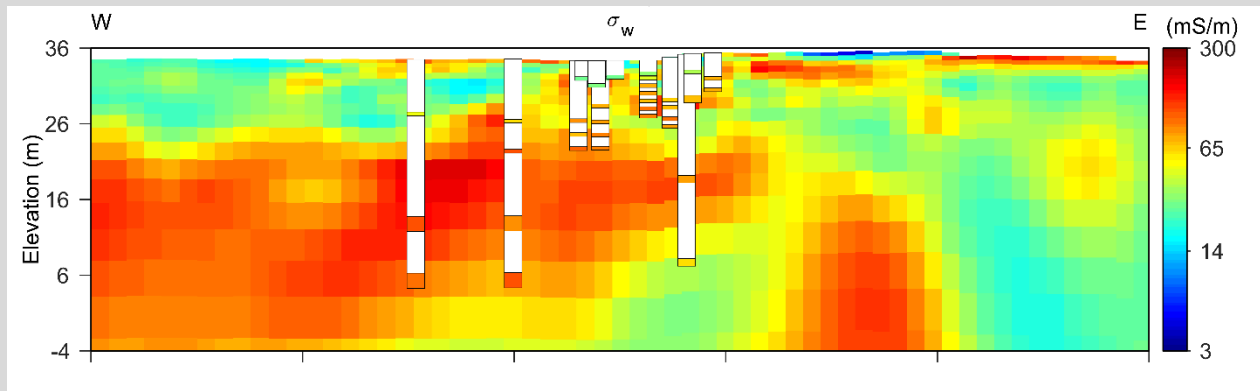
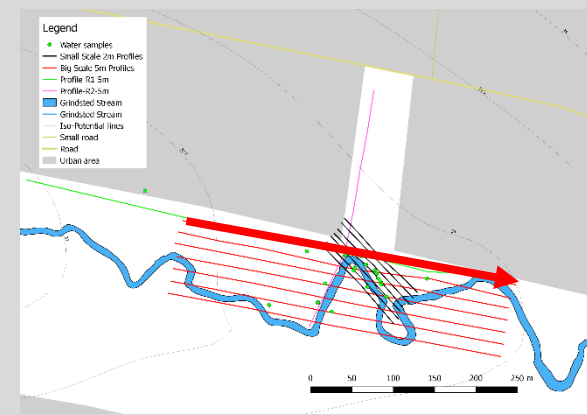
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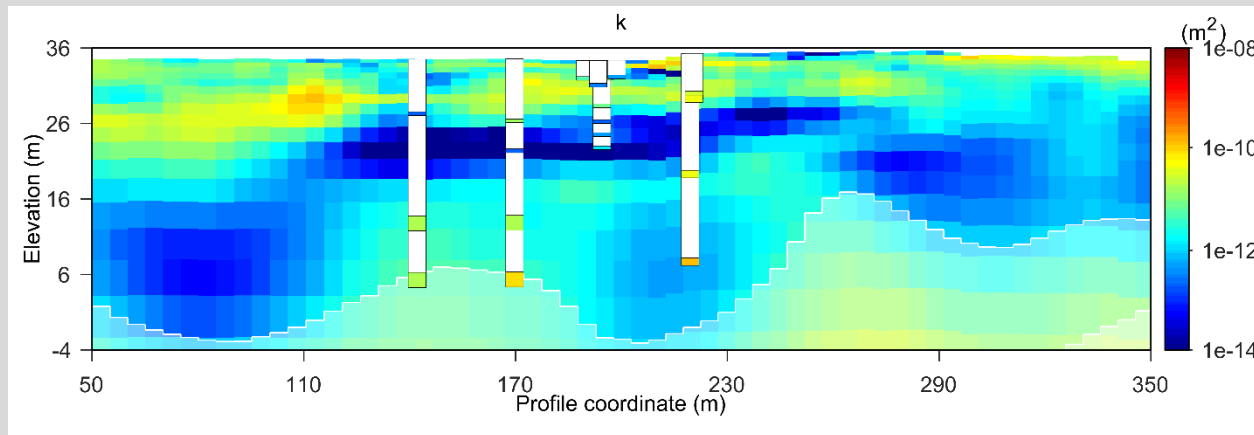
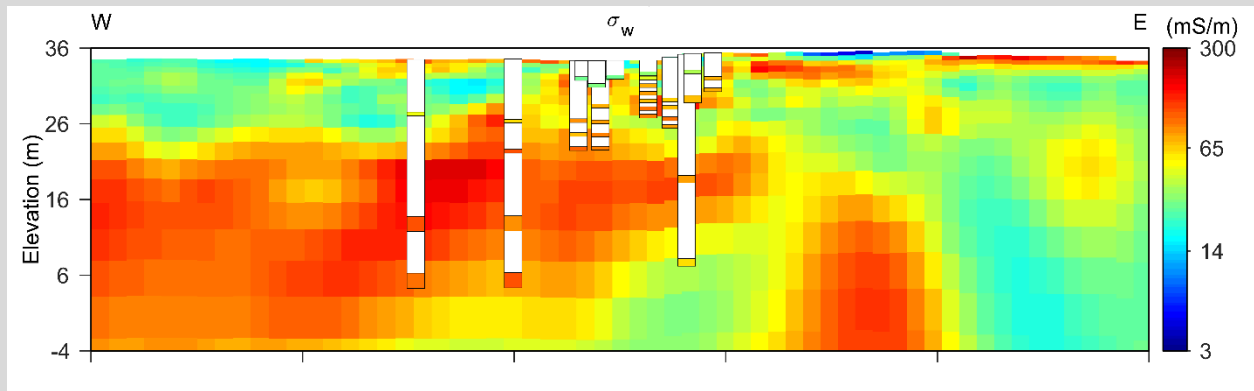
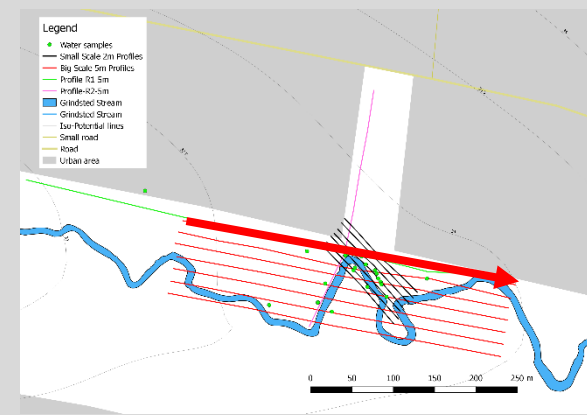
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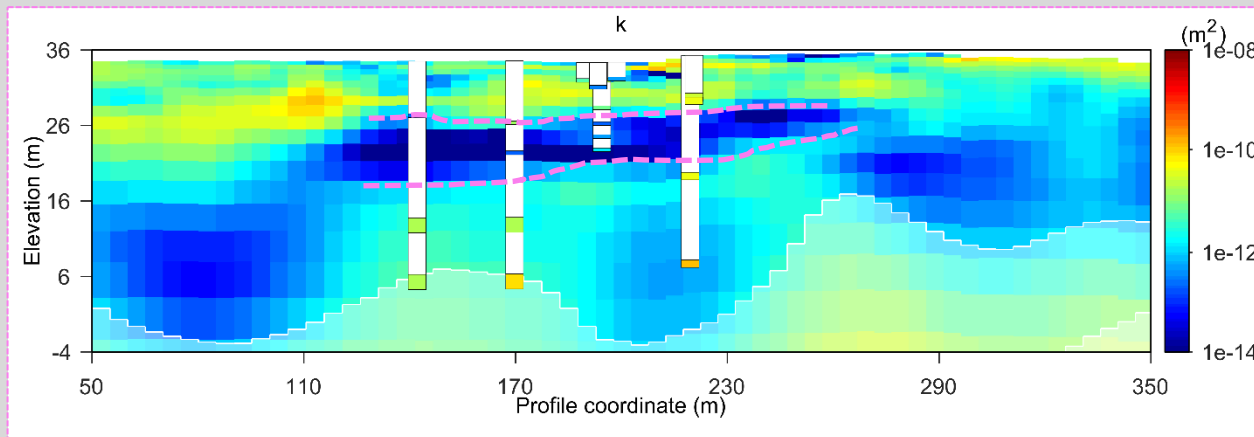
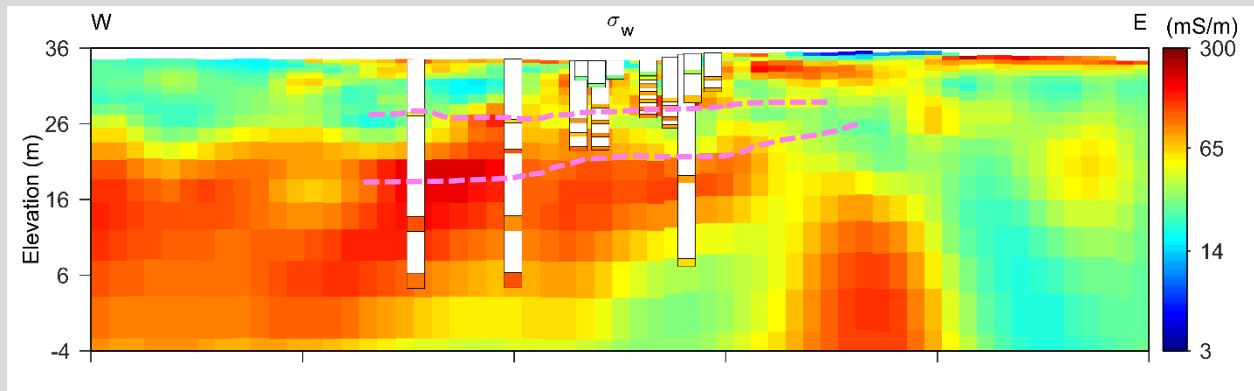
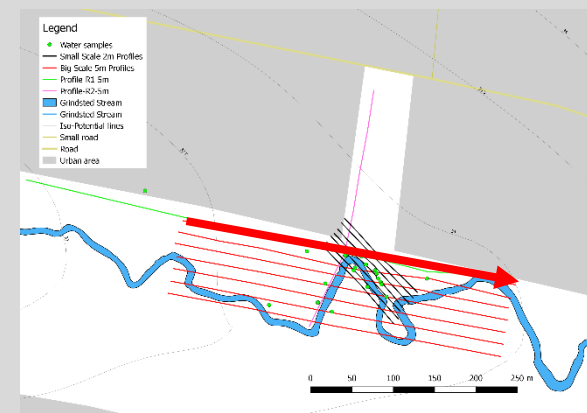
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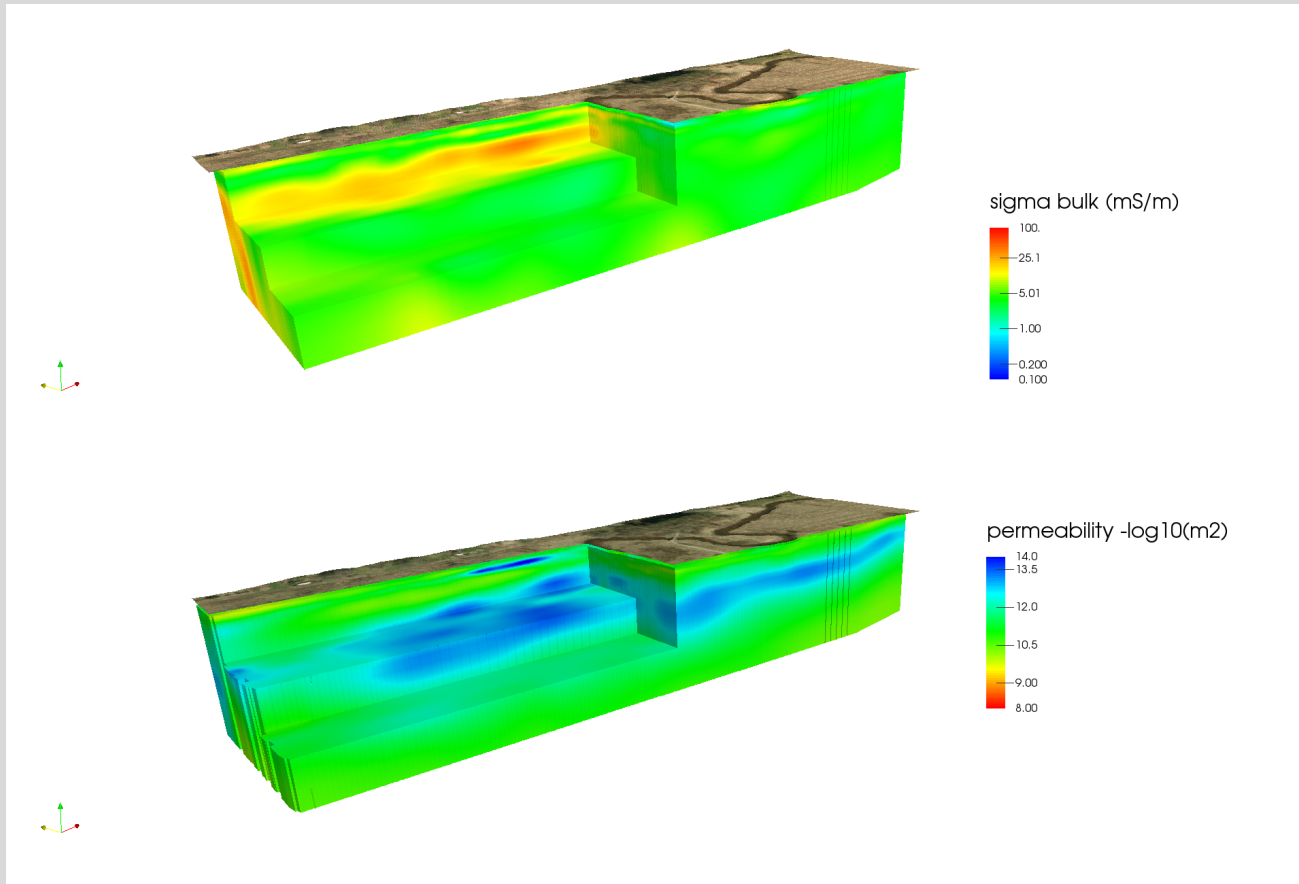
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3D model



Conclusion

- **Hydraulic permeability mapped through IP!**

But with limitations:

- Only in unconsolidated samples
- Only in saturated media
- No other significant source of IP present (oil spills, mineralizations etc. Etc.)

