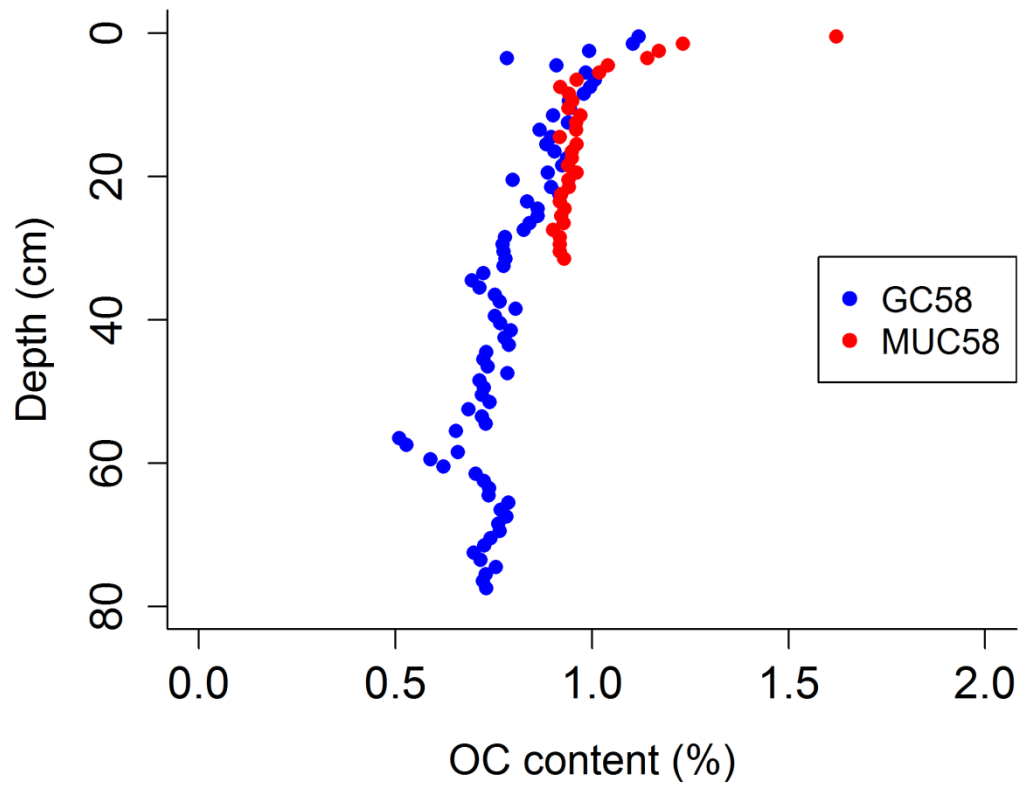


1 **Supplementary information**

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3 **Tables and figures**



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5 **Figure S1. Comparison between the organic carbon (OC) content (%) of the sediment cores GC58 and**  
6 **MUC58. Based on the comparison, we deduced that the top 3cm of GC58 were lost during sampling.**

7 **Table S1. Total organic carbon (TOC) content, stable carbon isotopes ( $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ ) and calibrated radiocarbon**  
 8 **isotopes of bulk carbon (cal  $\Delta^{14}\text{C}$ ) in the sediment core GC58 that were used for source apportionment**  
 9 **calculations.**

Corrected depth* (cm)	TOC (%)	$\delta^{13}\text{C}$ (‰)	Cal $\Delta^{14}\text{C}$
3.5	1.12	-23.23	-400.17
4.5	1.10	-23.07	
5.5	0.99	-23.25	
6.5	0.78	-23.10	
7.5	0.91	-23.16	
8.5	0.99	-23.32	
9.5	1.01	-23.12	
10.5	1.00	-23.42	
11.5	0.98	-23.48	
12.5	0.94	-23.39	
13.5	0.94	-23.19	-568.02
14.5	0.90	-23.32	
15.5	0.94	-23.38	
16.5	0.87	-23.49	
17.5	0.90	-23.61	
18.5	0.88	-23.56	
19.5	0.91	-23.61	
20.5	0.94	-23.44	
21.5	0.93	-23.62	
22.5	0.89	-23.57	
23.5	0.80	-23.50	-604.39
24.5	0.90	-23.56	
25.5	0.92	-23.59	
26.5	0.84	-23.76	
27.5	0.86	-23.57	
28.5	0.86	-23.88	
29.5	0.84	-23.61	
30.5	0.83	-24.33	
31.5	0.78	-24.08	
32.5	0.77	-24.22	
33.5	0.78	-23.89	-679.07
34.5	0.78	-24.14	
35.5	0.78	-24.24	
36.5	0.72	-24.73	
37.5	0.70	-24.54	
38.5	0.71	-24.63	-747.85
39.5	0.75	-24.37	
40.5	0.77	-24.82	
41.5	0.81	-24.75	
42.5	0.75	-24.95	
43.5	0.77	-25.07	-586.93
44.5	0.79	-24.91	

45.5	0.78	-24.91	
46.5	0.79	-24.93	
47.5	0.73	-24.86	-607.58
48.5	0.72	-24.93	
49.5	0.74	-25.01	
50.5	0.79	-24.85	
51.5	0.71	-25.08	
52.5	0.73	-25.05	
53.5	0.72	-25.11	-680.66
54.5	0.74	-24.85	
55.5	0.69	-25.34	
56.5	0.72	-25.44	
57.5	0.73	-25.51	
58.5	0.65	-25.66	
59.5	0.51	-25.65	
60.5	0.53	-25.68	
61.5	0.66	-25.55	
62.5	0.59	-25.65	
63.5	0.62	-25.74	-771.72
64.5	0.71	-25.59	
65.5	0.73	-25.68	
66.5	0.74	-25.66	
67.5	0.74	-25.66	
68.5	0.79	-25.53	
69.5	0.77	-25.51	
70.5	0.78	-25.63	
71.5	0.76	-25.60	
72.5	0.77	-25.59	
73.5	0.74	-25.66	-764.43
74.5	0.73	-25.60	
75.5	0.70	-25.59	
76.5	0.72	-25.70	
77.5	0.76	-25.65	
78.5	0.73	-25.84	
79.5	0.72	-25.75	
80.5	0.73	-25.58	

10 \*Corrected depth is the original depth + 3 cm to account for core top loss during sampling (Sect. 2.4).

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12 **Table S2. The amount of excess  $^{210}\text{Pb}$  ( $\text{Bq g}^{-1}$ ) and natural logarithm (ln) of excess  $^{210}\text{Pb}$  in the sediment**  
 13 **core MUC58 and age chronology (CRC and CIC models) presented as age (yr) and resulting year of**  
 14 **deposition. The CRC model assumes a constant rate of supply of  $^{210}\text{Pb}$  fallout, as the CIC assumes the**  
 15 **initial concentration of  $^{210}\text{Pb}$  to be constant (Appleby & Oldfield, 1977). The highest  $^{137}\text{Cs}$  peak was in 4.5**  
 16 **cm depth.**

Depth (cm)	Excess $^{210}\text{Pb}$ ( $\text{Bq g}^{-1}$ )	Ln of excess $^{210}\text{Pb}$	Age (yr) with CRC model	Resulting year with CRC model	Age (yr) with CIC model	Resulting year with CIC model	OC flux ( $\text{g m}^{-2} \text{yr}^{-1}$ )
0.5	0.062	-2.78	0	2014	4	2010	6.1
1.5	0.061	-2.79	6	2008	12	2002	4.6
2.5	0.054	-2.92	14	2000	20	1994	4.4
3.5	0.049	-3.02	23	1991	28	1986	4.3
4.5	0.024	-3.73	35	1979	36	1978	3.9
5.5	0.016	-4.11	42	1972	44	1970	3.8
6.5	0.014	-4.24	49	1965	52	1962	3.6
7.5	0.021	-3.86	55	1959	60	1954	3.4
8.5	0.016	-4.145	69	1945	68	1946	3.5
9.5	0.006	-5.16	85	1929	75	1939	3.6
10.5	0.001	-6.67	94	1920	83	1931	3.5
11.5	0.012	-4.41	96	1918	91	1923	3.6
12.5	0.005	-5.25	134	1880	99	1915	0.4

17 **Table S3. Biomarker data for the sediment core GC58. S = syringyl phenols, V = vanillyl phenols, C = cinnamyl phenols, 3,5-Bd = 3,5-Dihydroxybenzoic acid, Cut =**  
 18 **sum of all cutin acids, FA = sum of all CuO oxidation-derived fatty acids, Lig = sum of all lignin phenols, Sd = syringic acid, Sl = syringaldehyde, Vd = vanillic acid,**  
 19 **VI = vanillin (see Supplementary Table S4 for full list of compounds and their origin).**

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Corrected depth*	S	V	C	3,5-Bd	Cut	FA	Lig	S/V	C/V	Sd/Sl	Vd/VI	3,5-Bd/V
cm	mg g OC <sup>-1</sup>	mg g OC <sup>-1</sup>	mg g OC <sup>-1</sup>	mg g OC <sup>-1</sup>	mg g OC <sup>-1</sup>	mg g OC <sup>-1</sup>	mg g OC <sup>-1</sup>					
3.5	0.05	0.13	0.04	0.1225	0.27	5.35	0.2244	0.42	0.31	0.59	0.95	0.94
4.5	0.08	0.12	0.07	0.0898	0.30	3.17	0.2700	0.66	0.60	0.64	0.95	0.75
5.5	0.07	0.08	0.03	0.1148	0.24	2.55	0.1770	0.90	0.37	0.59	0.00	1.47
6.5	0.07	0.12	0.03	0.1008	0.30	2.55	0.2318	0.59	0.26	0.63	0.78	0.81
7.5	0.07	0.12	0.03	0.1486	0.30	2.06	0.2222	0.59	0.23	0.52	0.88	1.22
8.5	0.05	0.12	0.03	0.1055	0.27	1.38	0.2017	0.39	0.24	0.66	1.55	0.85
9.5	0.04	0.13	0.04	0.0696	0.27	1.26	0.2071	0.28	0.28	0.69	2.10	0.52
10.5	0.05	0.14	0.04	0.1043	0.28	1.41	0.2349	0.37	0.31	0.74	1.66	0.75
11.5	0.10	0.21	0.09	0.1083	0.34	1.31	0.4051	0.49	0.43	0.59	1.12	0.51
12.5	0.05	0.15	0.03	0.0978	0.34	1.53	0.2304	0.33	0.22	0.75	1.17	0.66
13.5	0.04	0.09	0.03	0.0866	0.29	1.35	0.1603	0.43	0.32	0.64	1.92	0.95
14.5	0.05	0.14	0.05	0.1276	0.35	1.43	0.2386	0.39	0.33	0.75	1.30	0.92
15.5	0.05	0.10	0.03	0.0917	0.27	1.12	0.1763	0.48	0.35	0.66	1.35	0.95
16.5	0.05	0.16	0.03	0.1005	0.28	1.40	0.2383	0.33	0.19	0.60	1.32	0.64
17.5	0.05	0.14	0.05	0.1092	0.35	1.43	0.2356	0.39	0.34	0.78	1.59	0.80
18.5	0.05	0.12	0.04	0.0741	0.33	1.32	0.2125	0.45	0.38	0.64	1.35	0.64
19.5	0.05	0.13	0.04	0.0831	0.30	1.14	0.2190	0.38	0.29	0.71	1.46	0.63
20.5	0.05	0.09	0.02	0.0969	0.30	1.20	0.1668	0.52	0.25	0.77	1.93	1.03
21.5	0.05	0.10	0.05	0.0928	0.34	1.28	0.2033	0.50	0.46	0.76	1.78	0.90
22.5	0.06	0.16	0.05	0.1101	0.37	1.56	0.2716	0.40	0.29	0.72	1.41	0.69
23.5	0.07	0.17	0.05	0.1140	0.38	1.76	0.2973	0.41	0.29	0.76	1.62	0.65
24.5	0.06	0.15	0.05	0.0931	0.33	1.19	0.2595	0.38	0.30	0.80	2.10	0.60
25.5	0.06	0.15	0.04	0.0830	0.37	1.16	0.2581	0.41	0.26	0.73	2.45	0.54
26.7	0.07	0.15	0.05	0.1321	0.41	1.31	0.2686	0.49	0.33	0.78	1.66	0.90
27.5	0.06	0.15	0.05	0.0829	0.31	0.95	0.2650	0.41	0.32	0.79	1.81	0.54

28.5	0.08	0.18	0.05	0.0812	0.16	1.01	0.3152	0.46	0.27	0.63	1.07	0.44
29.5	0.08	0.19	0.06	0.1247	0.40	1.28	0.3308	0.41	0.29	0.85	1.87	0.64
30.5	0.12	0.26	0.09	0.1479	0.52	1.22	0.4713	0.46	0.34	0.82	1.67	0.56
31.5	0.14	0.29	0.11	0.0942	0.60	1.31	0.5506	0.50	0.39	0.70	1.46	0.32
32.5	0.15	0.31	0.13	0.1060	0.55	1.19	0.5871	0.51	0.41	0.70	1.60	0.35
33.5	0.15	0.33	0.13	0.1388	0.54	1.29	0.6118	0.45	0.41	0.79	1.55	0.42
34.5	0.16	0.35	0.10	0.1264	0.57	1.44	0.6116	0.44	0.28	0.71	1.35	0.36
35.5	0.23	0.46	0.13	0.1608	0.70	1.49	0.8146	0.49	0.29	0.67	1.24	0.35
36.5	0.22	0.44	0.09	0.1100	0.49	0.90	0.7432	0.50	0.20	0.75	1.46	0.25
37.5	0.21	0.39	0.09	0.0997	0.66	0.79	0.6890	0.53	0.23	0.70	1.51	0.25
38.5	0.28	0.55	0.17	0.1922	0.82	1.28	1.0034	0.50	0.32	0.73	1.45	0.35
39.5	0.25	0.33	0.16	0.2636	0.91	1.27	0.7434	0.77	0.49	0.70	0.00	0.80
40.5	0.25	0.48	0.17	0.1434	0.71	1.20	0.8986	0.51	0.35	0.70	1.58	0.30
41.5	0.24	0.47	0.18	0.1524	0.82	0.97	0.8947	0.50	0.39	0.70	1.59	0.32
42.5	0.28	0.53	0.17	0.1501	0.87	0.95	0.9828	0.52	0.32	0.70	1.46	0.28
43.5	0.27	0.55	0.23	0.1655	0.90	1.04	1.0439	0.49	0.42	0.80	1.62	0.30
44.5	0.24	0.59	0.15	0.1357	0.52	0.83	0.9758	0.40	0.24	0.68	1.22	0.23
45.5	0.31	0.57	0.21	0.1540	1.02	1.00	1.0923	0.53	0.37	0.72	1.33	0.27
46.5	0.28	0.61	0.17	0.2329	0.86	1.17	1.0583	0.46	0.27	0.75	1.45	0.38
47.5	0.28	0.60	0.20	0.1796	0.89	1.07	1.0789	0.46	0.34	0.79	1.54	0.30
48.5	0.33	0.63	0.24	0.1880	1.03	1.11	1.1976	0.52	0.38	0.70	1.63	0.30
49.5	0.26	0.53	0.16	0.1326	0.84	0.87	0.9443	0.49	0.31	0.69	1.36	0.25
50.5	0.27	0.53	0.17	0.1713	0.81	0.91	0.9745	0.51	0.33	0.79	1.61	0.32
51.5	0.33	0.68	0.20	0.1953	0.95	1.32	1.2145	0.49	0.30	0.76	1.34	0.29
52.5	0.40	0.71	0.18	0.2140	0.94	1.05	1.2953	0.57	0.25	0.69	1.39	0.30
53.5	0.29	0.60	0.24	0.1764	0.92	0.93	1.1337	0.49	0.40	0.82	1.56	0.29
54.5	0.31	0.60	0.15	0.1932	0.97	1.01	1.0656	0.51	0.25	0.76	1.75	0.32
55.5	0.53	0.99	0.32	0.2323	1.15	0.96	1.8391	0.53	0.33	0.67	1.34	0.24
56.5	0.61	1.27	0.36	0.1990	0.72	0.88	2.2406	0.48	0.29	0.57	1.19	0.16
57.5	1.10	2.16	0.93	0.2084	1.58	0.86	4.1854	0.51	0.43	0.58	1.03	0.10
58.5	1.23	2.14	0.79	0.2092	1.69	0.87	4.1617	0.57	0.37	0.55	1.09	0.10
59.5	1.21	2.33	0.93	0.1797	1.18	1.38	4.4684	0.52	0.40	0.57	1.07	0.08

60.5	1.23	2.18	1.02	0.2039	1.73	1.04	4.4373	0.57	0.47	0.58	1.14	0.09
61.5	1.35	2.77	0.79	0.2295	1.64	1.04	4.9075	0.49	0.28	0.61	1.05	0.08
62.5	1.51	2.74	1.18	0.2587	1.90	1.27	5.4277	0.55	0.43	0.53	0.95	0.09
63.5	1.80	3.20	1.22	0.2237	1.74	0.97	6.2276	0.56	0.38	0.47	0.85	0.07
64.5	1.27	2.40	0.93	0.2790	1.81	1.26	4.6095	0.53	0.39	0.53	0.96	0.12
65.5	1.15	2.07	0.94	0.2470	1.79	0.92	4.1586	0.55	0.45	0.56	1.07	0.12
66.5	1.27	2.38	0.74	0.2618	1.79	1.02	4.3928	0.53	0.31	0.54	1.07	0.11
67.5	1.00	1.79	0.85	0.1983	1.57	0.71	3.6389	0.56	0.48	0.61	1.21	0.11
68.5	1.19	2.18	0.84	0.2506	1.76	0.91	4.1993	0.55	0.38	0.52	0.98	0.12
69.5	0.85	1.71	0.53	0.1673	0.84	0.68	3.0966	0.50	0.31	0.61	1.18	0.10
70.5	1.31	2.46	0.92	0.3261	1.78	0.97	4.7013	0.53	0.38	0.54	1.01	0.13
71.5	1.25	2.32	1.02	0.2840	1.73	1.01	4.5828	0.54	0.44	0.58	1.09	0.12
72.5	1.20	2.19	0.96	0.2213	1.81	0.93	4.3449	0.55	0.44	0.58	1.14	0.10
73.5	1.04	2.07	0.72	0.2024	1.13	0.80	3.8276	0.50	0.35	0.55	1.03	0.10
74.5	1.41	2.68	1.22	0.2547	1.97	1.01	5.3135	0.53	0.45	0.50	0.87	0.09
75.5	1.39	2.62	1.16	0.3377	1.97	1.29	5.1729	0.53	0.44	0.61	1.08	0.13
76.5	1.30	2.48	1.09	0.2550	1.93	1.23	4.8662	0.52	0.44	0.53	0.95	0.10
77.5	1.14	2.00	1.07	0.2116	1.66	0.93	4.2050	0.57	0.53	0.54	1.06	0.11
78.5	1.25	2.30	1.02	0.2549	1.81	1.06	4.5619	0.54	0.44	0.53	1.00	0.11
79.5	1.23	2.15	1.02	0.2753	1.94	1.26	4.4096	0.57	0.48	0.55	1.17	0.13
80.5	1.22	2.22	1.09	0.2613	1.99	1.02	4.5331	0.55	0.49	0.56	1.11	0.12

21 \* Corrected depth is the original depth + 3 cm to account for core top loss during sampling (Sect. 2.4)

22 **Table S4. CuO-derived compounds (adapted from Tesi et al. 2014 and references therein). MS means that the**  
 23 **compound has multiple sources but is relatively abundant in the source mentioned.**

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Group name	Name	Abbreviation	Source
Lignin phenols	Vanillyl phenols	V	Cell walls of angiosperm/gymnosperm vascular plants
	Vanillin	Vl	
	Acetovanillone	Vn	
	Vanillic acid	Vd	
	Syringyl phenols	S	Cell walls of angiosperm vascular plants
	Syringaldehyde	Sl	
	Acetosyringone	Sn	
	Syringic acid	Sd	
	Cinnamyl phenols	C	Non-woody vascular plant tissues
	<i>p</i> -Coumaric acid	pCd	
Ferulic acid	Fd		
Cutin products	Hydroxyhexadecanoic acid	$\omega$ -C16	Leaves; blades and needles of vascular plants
	Hexadecan-1,16-dioic acid	C16DA	
	18-Hydroxyoctadec-9-enoic acid	$\omega$ -C18:1	
	7 or 8-Dihydroxy C16 $\alpha$ , $\omega$ -dioic acids	$\alpha$ -OH, C16DA	
	8, 9 or 10-Dihydroxy C16 acids	$\alpha$ , $\omega$ -OH C16	
Hydroxy benzene products	Benzoic acid	Bd	Phytoplankton and soil (MS)
	<i>m</i> -Hydroxybenzoic acid	<i>m</i> -Bd	Abundant in soil
	3,5-Dihydroxybenzoic acid	3,5-Bd	
Fatty acids	Octanoic acid	C8FA	Phytoplankton (MS)
	Decanoic acid	C10FA	Bacteria
	Dodecanoic acid	C12FA	Bacteria (MS)
	Tetradecanoic acid	C14FA	Phytoplankton (MS)
	Hexadecanoic acids	C16FA:1, C16FA	Phytoplankton and soil (also bacteria for C16FA:1) (MS)
	Octadecanoic acids	C18FA:1, C18FA	Phytoplankton and soil (also bacteria for C18FA:1) (MS)

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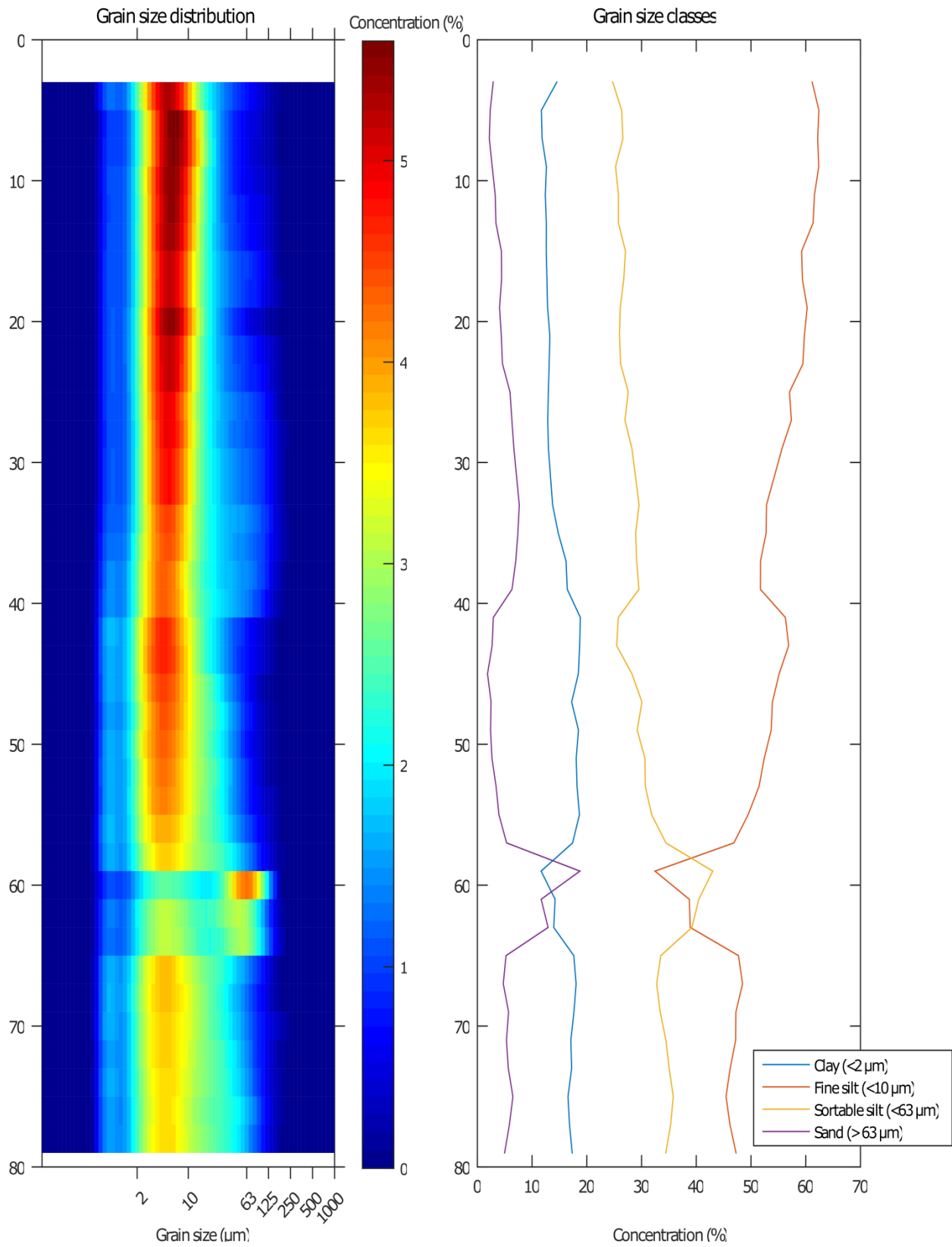
26 **Table S5. Source apportionment data from the Monte Carlo Mixing Model based on carbon isotopes ( $\Delta^{14}\text{C}$ ,  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ ) as fractions (mean and median, %) for the**  
 27 **sediment core GC58, including 5<sup>th</sup> (q05) and 9<sup>th</sup> (q95) percentiles and standard deviation (sd). Topsoil-PF (topsoil permafrost) refers to thaw of the active-layer**  
 28 **permafrost, ICD-PF (Ice Complex Deposit permafrost) represents old Pleistocene material from coastal erosion and marine OC (organic carbon) to primary**  
 29 **production of phytoplankton.**

Corrected depth (cm)	ICD-PF					Topsoil-PF					Marine OC				
	mean	median	sd	q05	q95	mean	median	sd	q05	q95	mean	median	sd	q05	q95
3.5	0.407	0.406	0.050	0.328	0.489	0.230	0.210	0.120	0.066	0.450	0.363	0.377	0.094	0.196	0.498
4.5	0.422	0.421	0.048	0.347	0.503	0.212	0.194	0.111	0.062	0.416	0.366	0.377	0.088	0.207	0.492
5.5	0.437	0.435	0.047	0.363	0.516	0.196	0.179	0.103	0.057	0.386	0.367	0.377	0.083	0.217	0.487
6.5	0.451	0.449	0.046	0.379	0.529	0.181	0.165	0.095	0.053	0.358	0.368	0.378	0.079	0.225	0.481
7.5	0.464	0.462	0.046	0.394	0.542	0.167	0.152	0.089	0.049	0.334	0.369	0.377	0.075	0.233	0.477
8.5	0.476	0.474	0.046	0.407	0.555	0.155	0.141	0.084	0.045	0.312	0.369	0.376	0.071	0.240	0.472
9.5	0.499	0.497	0.045	0.431	0.578	0.133	0.120	0.074	0.038	0.273	0.368	0.374	0.065	0.251	0.462
10.5	0.519	0.517	0.045	0.452	0.597	0.116	0.104	0.067	0.031	0.241	0.365	0.370	0.059	0.258	0.453
11.5	0.536	0.534	0.045	0.470	0.615	0.101	0.090	0.061	0.025	0.216	0.362	0.366	0.055	0.264	0.444
12.5	0.552	0.550	0.045	0.487	0.630	0.090	0.078	0.057	0.021	0.195	0.358	0.362	0.052	0.267	0.436
13.5	0.597	0.595	0.044	0.534	0.674	0.060	0.050	0.045	0.010	0.142	0.342	0.346	0.045	0.265	0.412
14.5	0.625	0.623	0.045	0.561	0.702	0.046	0.036	0.040	0.006	0.115	0.329	0.331	0.044	0.255	0.397
15.5	0.642	0.641	0.046	0.575	0.719	0.038	0.029	0.037	0.004	0.101	0.319	0.321	0.044	0.246	0.388
16.5	0.651	0.650	0.047	0.583	0.728	0.035	0.026	0.035	0.003	0.094	0.314	0.315	0.044	0.241	0.384
17.5	0.654	0.653	0.047	0.586	0.732	0.034	0.025	0.035	0.003	0.092	0.312	0.313	0.044	0.238	0.382
18.5	0.653	0.652	0.047	0.587	0.731	0.035	0.025	0.035	0.003	0.093	0.312	0.314	0.044	0.238	0.381
19.5	0.650	0.648	0.046	0.586	0.728	0.037	0.027	0.036	0.003	0.098	0.313	0.315	0.044	0.239	0.381
20.5	0.645	0.643	0.046	0.583	0.724	0.040	0.030	0.037	0.004	0.105	0.314	0.317	0.044	0.239	0.382
21.5	0.641	0.638	0.046	0.579	0.720	0.044	0.034	0.039	0.005	0.114	0.314	0.317	0.044	0.239	0.382
22.5	0.639	0.635	0.045	0.578	0.718	0.049	0.039	0.041	0.005	0.123	0.312	0.315	0.044	0.236	0.380
23.5	0.638	0.634	0.045	0.577	0.717	0.054	0.044	0.043	0.006	0.131	0.308	0.311	0.044	0.232	0.376
24.5	0.639	0.635	0.045	0.578	0.719	0.059	0.049	0.044	0.008	0.140	0.302	0.305	0.044	0.226	0.370
25.5	0.641	0.637	0.045	0.581	0.722	0.064	0.055	0.046	0.010	0.148	0.294	0.297	0.044	0.218	0.362
26.5	0.646	0.641	0.045	0.585	0.727	0.070	0.061	0.047	0.011	0.156	0.285	0.287	0.044	0.209	0.353
27.5	0.651	0.647	0.045	0.591	0.733	0.075	0.067	0.048	0.014	0.163	0.274	0.275	0.044	0.198	0.343

28.5	0.658	0.654	0.045	0.598	0.740	0.081	0.073	0.049	0.016	0.170	0.261	0.263	0.044	0.185	0.331
29.5	0.667	0.662	0.045	0.607	0.750	0.086	0.079	0.049	0.017	0.177	0.247	0.249	0.045	0.170	0.318
30.5	0.676	0.670	0.045	0.618	0.760	0.091	0.084	0.050	0.019	0.183	0.233	0.235	0.045	0.155	0.304
31.5	0.687	0.680	0.046	0.629	0.772	0.095	0.089	0.051	0.021	0.190	0.218	0.220	0.046	0.139	0.291
32.5	0.699	0.691	0.046	0.642	0.786	0.099	0.093	0.052	0.021	0.196	0.202	0.205	0.047	0.122	0.277
33.5	0.711	0.703	0.047	0.654	0.800	0.102	0.096	0.054	0.021	0.200	0.187	0.190	0.049	0.104	0.264
34.5	0.724	0.716	0.047	0.668	0.817	0.103	0.097	0.055	0.020	0.205	0.172	0.175	0.050	0.087	0.251
35.5	0.738	0.729	0.048	0.681	0.833	0.104	0.098	0.057	0.017	0.209	0.158	0.161	0.051	0.070	0.239
36.5	0.753	0.743	0.049	0.695	0.849	0.103	0.097	0.059	0.015	0.211	0.144	0.147	0.052	0.055	0.227
37.5	0.767	0.756	0.049	0.709	0.865	0.102	0.095	0.060	0.012	0.211	0.131	0.134	0.053	0.041	0.217
38.5	0.781	0.770	0.050	0.722	0.879	0.099	0.092	0.061	0.009	0.213	0.120	0.121	0.054	0.030	0.207
39.5	0.794	0.784	0.054	0.728	0.894	0.098	0.089	0.066	0.006	0.218	0.109	0.109	0.054	0.021	0.200
40.5	0.606	0.633	0.141	0.328	0.789	0.141	0.091	0.146	0.011	0.448	0.253	0.253	0.076	0.132	0.376
41.5	0.638	0.644	0.092	0.477	0.774	0.123	0.097	0.096	0.024	0.315	0.239	0.240	0.063	0.137	0.341
42.5	0.654	0.652	0.066	0.552	0.762	0.116	0.102	0.068	0.032	0.248	0.230	0.231	0.057	0.137	0.322
43.5	0.662	0.658	0.060	0.574	0.759	0.112	0.104	0.060	0.030	0.225	0.226	0.226	0.054	0.137	0.313
44.5	0.666	0.664	0.061	0.576	0.766	0.108	0.101	0.059	0.025	0.218	0.225	0.225	0.053	0.139	0.312
45.5	0.671	0.669	0.061	0.580	0.772	0.101	0.093	0.058	0.021	0.211	0.227	0.227	0.052	0.144	0.313
46.5	0.679	0.676	0.060	0.590	0.778	0.092	0.083	0.055	0.017	0.196	0.229	0.229	0.051	0.149	0.313
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50.5	0.722	0.719	0.061	0.633	0.824	0.062	0.053	0.045	0.009	0.150	0.215	0.214	0.048	0.140	0.294
51.5	0.738	0.734	0.061	0.649	0.840	0.057	0.047	0.043	0.008	0.139	0.205	0.205	0.048	0.130	0.283
52.5	0.753	0.749	0.062	0.664	0.855	0.052	0.042	0.041	0.006	0.132	0.195	0.194	0.047	0.121	0.272
53.5	0.769	0.765	0.062	0.679	0.872	0.048	0.038	0.039	0.005	0.125	0.183	0.182	0.047	0.109	0.259
54.5	0.786	0.783	0.063	0.696	0.887	0.044	0.034	0.038	0.004	0.118	0.170	0.169	0.047	0.096	0.246
55.5	0.819	0.817	0.064	0.725	0.918	0.038	0.028	0.036	0.003	0.107	0.143	0.142	0.046	0.071	0.219
56.5	0.848	0.850	0.065	0.749	0.944	0.034	0.023	0.037	0.002	0.104	0.118	0.116	0.045	0.048	0.194
57.5	0.871	0.876	0.066	0.768	0.962	0.032	0.019	0.040	0.001	0.105	0.097	0.094	0.044	0.032	0.173
58.5	0.888	0.896	0.067	0.782	0.976	0.031	0.017	0.042	0.001	0.105	0.081	0.076	0.042	0.020	0.155
59.5	0.900	0.909	0.067	0.792	0.983	0.031	0.016	0.044	0.001	0.107	0.070	0.064	0.041	0.013	0.142

60.5	0.906	0.915	0.066	0.798	0.988	0.032	0.017	0.044	0.000	0.111	0.063	0.057	0.040	0.009	0.133
61.5	0.906	0.912	0.065	0.801	0.991	0.034	0.021	0.043	0.000	0.112	0.060	0.055	0.040	0.006	0.131
62.5	0.897	0.899	0.064	0.797	0.992	0.041	0.030	0.042	0.000	0.119	0.062	0.057	0.042	0.004	0.136
63.5	0.870	0.863	0.073	0.768	0.992	0.061	0.052	0.052	0.000	0.159	0.069	0.065	0.047	0.003	0.152
64.5	0.718	0.832	0.281	0.075	0.981	0.180	0.072	0.235	0.002	0.738	0.102	0.076	0.092	0.010	0.294
65.5	0.751	0.844	0.244	0.177	0.979	0.155	0.065	0.206	0.003	0.642	0.095	0.076	0.076	0.013	0.247
66.5	0.765	0.842	0.222	0.253	0.980	0.142	0.065	0.188	0.002	0.575	0.093	0.078	0.071	0.012	0.230
67.5	0.778	0.840	0.200	0.336	0.982	0.129	0.063	0.167	0.002	0.500	0.093	0.080	0.067	0.010	0.219
68.5	0.794	0.841	0.175	0.427	0.983	0.113	0.061	0.144	0.002	0.415	0.093	0.082	0.063	0.010	0.207
69.5	0.811	0.843	0.147	0.518	0.982	0.097	0.057	0.119	0.002	0.334	0.092	0.084	0.059	0.010	0.194
70.5	0.827	0.845	0.120	0.608	0.980	0.083	0.054	0.093	0.002	0.260	0.090	0.085	0.054	0.011	0.184
71.5	0.840	0.846	0.097	0.679	0.980	0.073	0.054	0.071	0.002	0.201	0.087	0.083	0.050	0.011	0.173
72.5	0.851	0.847	0.080	0.730	0.980	0.066	0.055	0.055	0.002	0.168	0.083	0.081	0.047	0.011	0.163
73.5	0.856	0.848	0.074	0.756	0.982	0.064	0.055	0.050	0.002	0.159	0.079	0.077	0.045	0.010	0.156
74.5	0.857	0.854	0.081	0.730	0.984	0.068	0.056	0.058	0.002	0.176	0.076	0.072	0.045	0.009	0.153
75.5	0.851	0.862	0.101	0.673	0.986	0.076	0.055	0.078	0.002	0.221	0.073	0.067	0.047	0.007	0.155
76.5	0.840	0.867	0.128	0.590	0.988	0.088	0.055	0.103	0.001	0.283	0.071	0.064	0.050	0.006	0.161
77.5	0.826	0.869	0.158	0.501	0.990	0.102	0.056	0.130	0.001	0.361	0.072	0.061	0.055	0.005	0.173
78.5	0.809	0.869	0.187	0.402	0.992	0.117	0.057	0.154	0.001	0.442	0.074	0.060	0.061	0.005	0.189
79.5	0.779	0.861	0.229	0.253	0.992	0.139	0.059	0.187	0.001	0.561	0.083	0.064	0.074	0.004	0.229
80.5	0.724	0.836	0.282	0.090	0.995	0.171	0.067	0.225	0.000	0.687	0.105	0.079	0.101	0.002	0.313

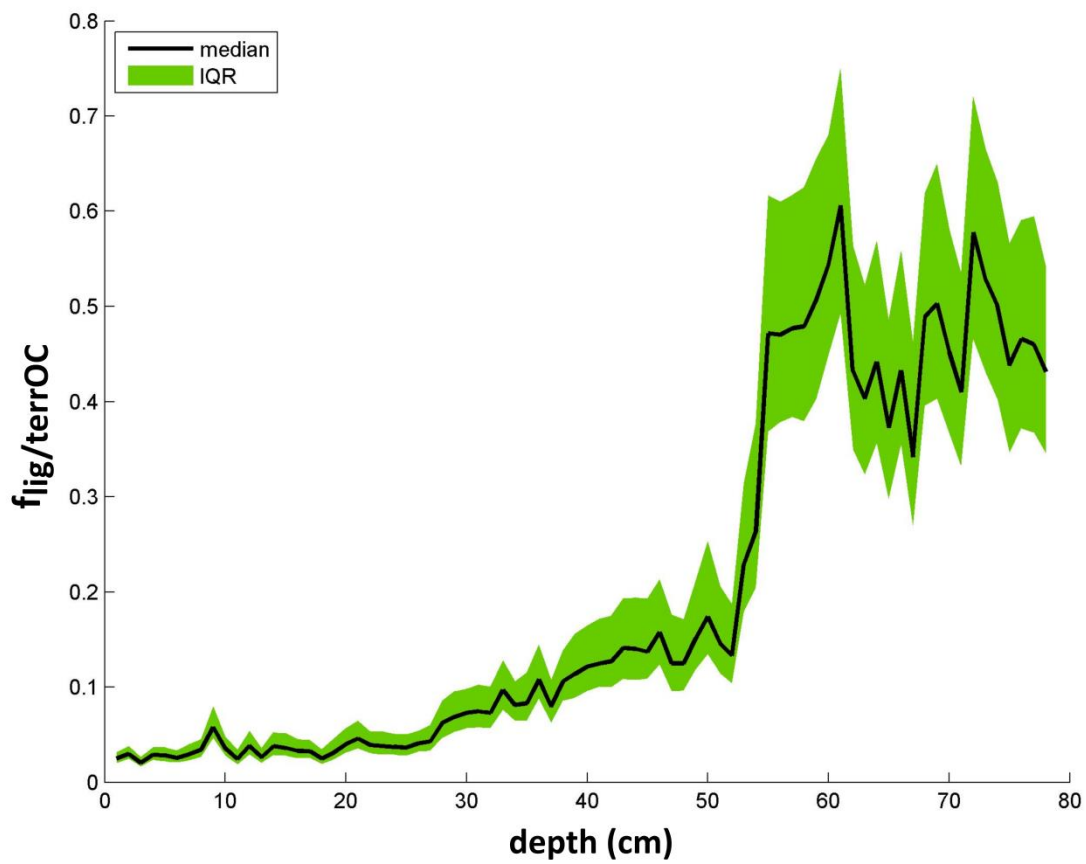
30 \* Corrected depth is the original depth + 3 cm to account for core top loss during sampling (Sect 2.4)



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32 **Figure S2. The grain size of the sediment core GC58. The GC58 core consists mainly of clay and silt with a**  
 33 **fraction of sand around 60 cm of depth.**

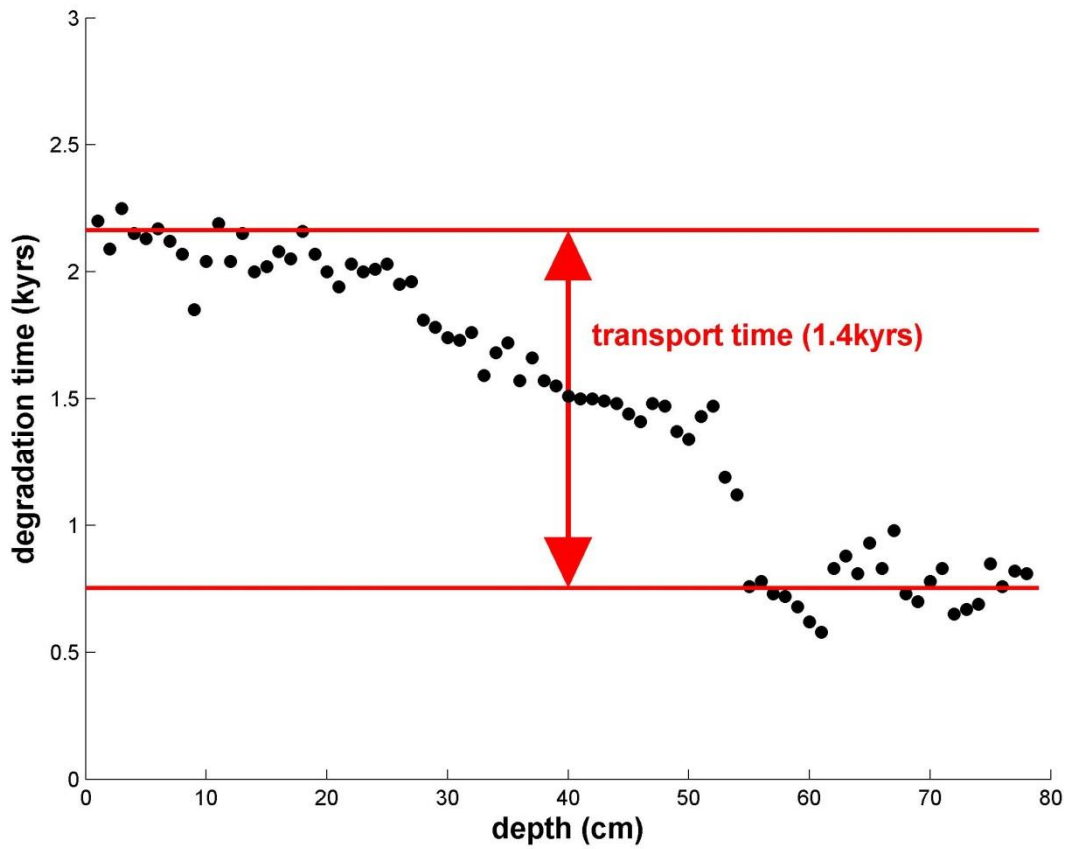
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36 **Figure S3.** The ratio between the observed and expected lignin and terrestrial organic carbon (terrOC) ratios  
 37 ( $f_{\text{lig/terrOC}}$ ) with interquartile range (IQR) for the sediment core GC58. The expected lignin values i.e. non-  
 38 degraded lignin are taken from Tesi et al., (2016). See Supplementary Methods for details.

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41 **Figure S4.** An estimation of the lateral transport time of sediments shown as the degradation time (kyr)  
 42 against the core depth (cm) in the sediment core GC58. See Supplementary Methods for lateral transport  
 43 time calculations.

## 44 Supplementary methods

### 45 Source apportionment calculations

46 In the model for smoothly varying source proportions, data is split into three time-segments of contiguous  
47 observations. For each segment, observed  $\delta^{13}C$  and  $\Delta^{14}C$  are modelled as

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$$\begin{aligned}\delta^{13}C_i &= \delta^{13}C^{ICD-PF} \times p_i^{ICD-PF} + \delta^{13}C^{TS-PF} \times p_i^{TS-PF} + \delta^{13}C^{M OC} \times p_i^{M OC} + \epsilon_i^{13}, \\ \Delta^{14}C_i &= \Delta^{14}C^{ICD-PF} \times p_i^{ICD-PF} + \Delta^{14}C^{TS-PF} \times p_i^{TS-PF} + \Delta^{14}C^{M OC} \times p_i^{M OC} + \epsilon_i^{14},\end{aligned}$$

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50 where  $\epsilon_i^{13}$  and  $\epsilon_i^{14}$  are independent zero-mean normally distributed residuals with variances  $\sigma_{i3}^2$  and  $\sigma_{i4}^2$   
51 respectively. Residual variances are assumed equal for the three time-segments. ICD-PF refers to Ice Complex  
52 Deposit permafrost, TS-PF to topsoil permafrost and M OC to marine organic carbon.

53 The end-member values  $\delta^{13}C^{ICD-PF}$ ,  $\delta^{13}C^{TS-PF}$ ,  $\delta^{13}C^{M OC}$ ,  $\delta^{14}C^{ICD-PF}$ ,  $\delta^{14}C^{TS-PF}$  and  $\delta^{14}C^{M OC}$  are  
54 assumed random effects shared within each time-segment and independent between. With the exception of  
55  $\delta^{14}C^{ICD-PF}$  they are assumed normally distributed, with means and standard deviations reported earlier. To avoid  
56 values below -1000,  $\delta^{14}C^{ICD-PF} + 1000$  is instead assumed to be exponentially distributed. Due to different times  
57 of deposit,  $\delta^{14}C^{ICD-PF}$  means are set to -933, -833 and -800 for the younger, middle and older segment  
58 respectively.

59 In order to account for the time-dependence between proportions, we follow an approach related to that of  
60 Parnell et al. (2012) by modelling  $p_i^{ICD-PF}$ ,  $p_i^{TS-PF}$  and  $p_i^{M OC}$  using Bayesian cubic B-splines after a transformation  
61 to the real plane using the additive log-ratio transform,

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$$\begin{aligned}p_i^{ICD-PF} &= \frac{\exp(s_1(y_i))}{\exp(s_1(y_i)) + \exp(s_2(y_i)) + 1}, \\ p_i^{TS-PF} &= \frac{\exp(s_2(y_i))}{\exp(s_1(y_i)) + \exp(s_2(y_i)) + 1},\end{aligned}$$

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64 and  $p_i^{M OC} = 1 - p_i^{ICD-PF} - p_i^{TS-PF}$ . The functions  $s_1$  and  $s_2$  are the spline-functions and  $y_i$  estimated years BP for  
65 observation  $i$ . Separate/independent splines are used for each of the three time-segments and knots are placed at the  
66 centres and endpoints. The model is fitted using rjags (Plummer, 2016) within the R computing environment (R  
67 Core Team, 2016). The code for the model is available at [https://github.com/mskoldSU/Keskitalo\\_et\\_al](https://github.com/mskoldSU/Keskitalo_et_al).

### 68 Lateral transport time estimation

69 The GC58 core spans over a time period of ~ 9,500 cal yrs BP, during which the study area experienced a  
70 significant sea level rise (34 m in water depth). This means that the time for lateral transport of the terrestrial  
71 organic carbon (terrOC) from the shore to the site of sedimentation increased. To model this transport time the ratio  
72 of lignin/terrOC was used as a molecular clock. The fraction remaining lignin/terrOC ( $f_{lig/terrOC}$ ) from  
73 remineralisation depends on the degradation of both lignin and terrOC. Bröder et al. (2017, submitted) established  
74 the following relation for the Laptev Sea (time  $t$  in kyrs):

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$$76 \quad f_{lig/terrOC}(t) = \frac{e^{-2.6 \cdot t}}{0.87 \cdot e^{-2.2 \cdot t} + 0.13} \quad (2)$$

77 The observational concentration terrOC can be established as  $OC/(1 - f_{\text{marine}})$ , where the fraction marine is derived  
78 from the source apportionment results. To obtain the observational  $f_{\text{lig/terrOC}}$  we need to consider the expected  
79 lignin/terrOC signal for the sources that have not been degraded. For ICD-PF the lignin/terrOC ratio is  $17.4 \pm 8.3 \text{ mg}$   
80  $\text{g}^{-1}$  and for topsoil-PF  $20.9 \pm 6.4 \text{ mg g}^{-1}$  (Tesi et al., 2016). Since the relative proportions of ICD-PF and topsoil-PF  
81 for each data point is known from the source apportionment, the non-degraded lignin/terrOC signatures may be  
82 estimated, using MCMC techniques to account for the end-member variability. By computing the ratio of the  
83 observed and non-degraded lignin/terrOC ratios we can calculate the fraction remaining lignin/terrOC and further,  
84 estimate the lateral transport times using Eq. (2).

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