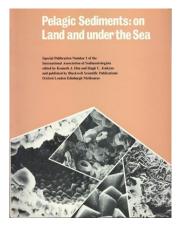


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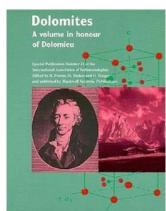
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The goal of this volume will be to integrate new theoretical concepts with ongoing processes of sedimentary mineral formation (which includes early diagenetic minerals) in modern environments and with observations from the geological record. The volume will particularly emphasize a process oriented and quantitative view.

We believe this topic is novel and timely to be disseminated among a broad sedimentology (sedimentary geology) audience, for which other more specialized mineralogical literature is not easily accessible. The volume is partially an outcome of a series of sessions on mineral nucleation and growth at the EGU conferences 2014-2020, with the goal to provide this link between the fields of mineralogy and sedimentology.



The carbon isotope record of the sub-seafloor biosphere

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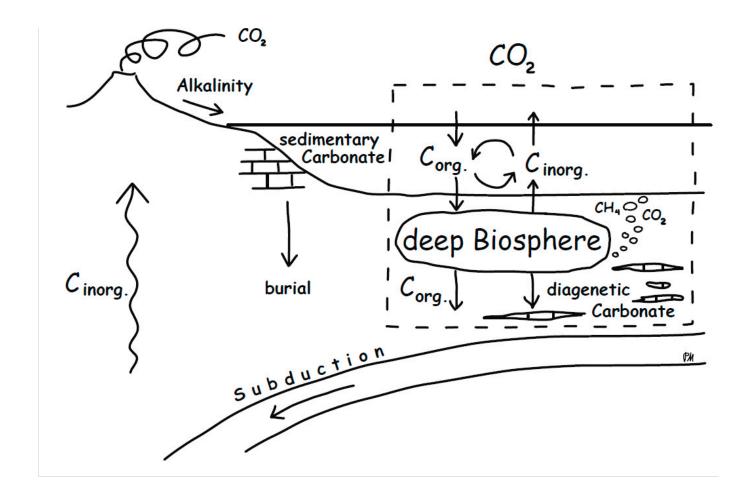
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Diagenetic carbonate affects the global carbon cycle

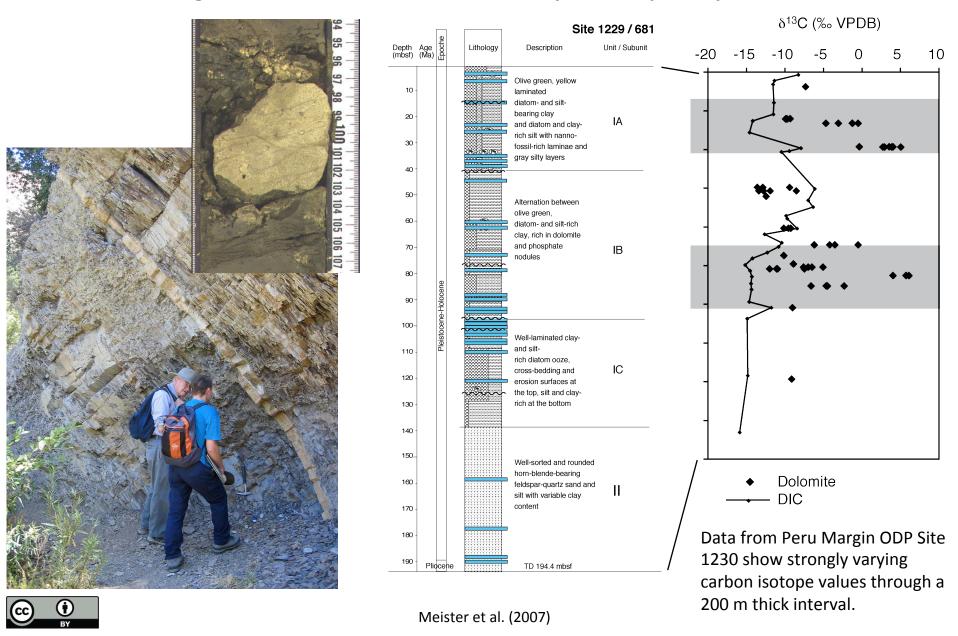




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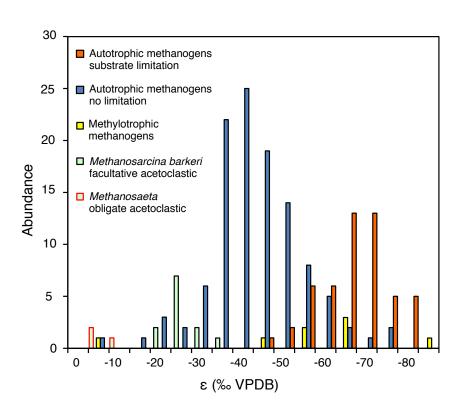


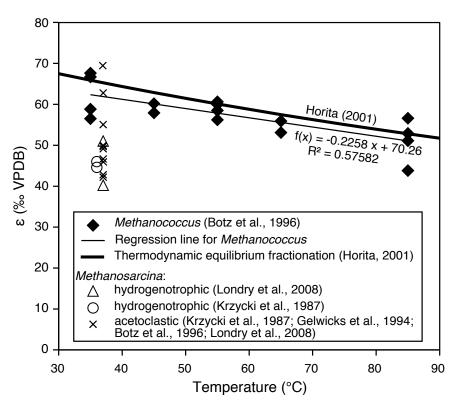
Diagenetic carbonates as archive of past deep biosphere





Carbon-isotope fractionation during methane metabolism





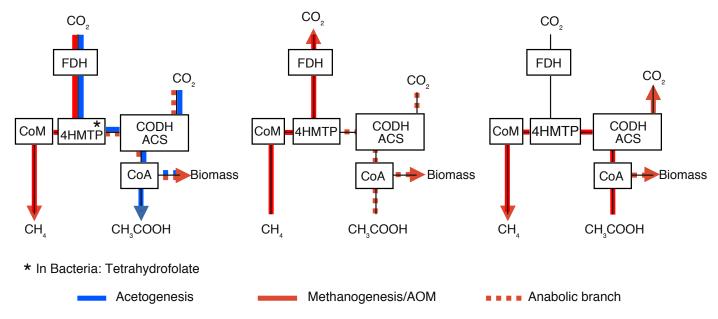
Different archaeal cultures reported in the literature showed different fractionation factors. Using strong substrate limitation in a reactor, Botz et al. (1996) could find a temperature-dependent fractionation effect that matches the inorganic fractionation effect of Horita (2001).

Horita (2001): Carbon isotope exchange was investigated for the system CO_2 - CH_4 at 150 to 600°C in the presence of several potential catalysts.

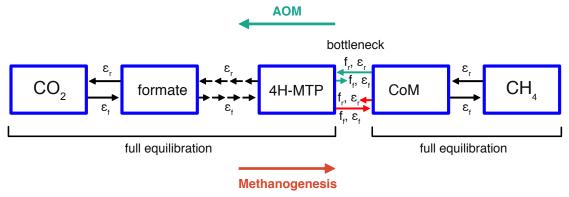




Different routes through the Wood-Ljungdahl pathway:

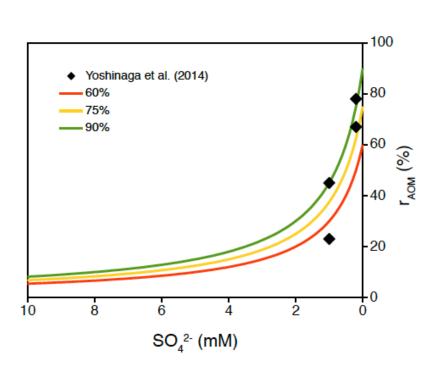


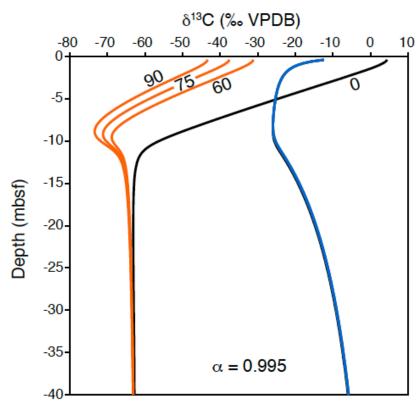
Equilibrium isotope fractionation is most likely the result of differential reversibility of the co-enzyme M (CoM) branch of the pathway (Valentine et al., 2004). A kinetic bottleneck may occur at the CoM-step:





Partial isotopic equilibration was suggested for anaerobic methane oxidation (Yoshinaga et al., 2014): This effect can be reproduced by numerical modelling. Only then, the strongly negative trend of d¹³C in methane at the sulphate/methane transition zone can be explained.



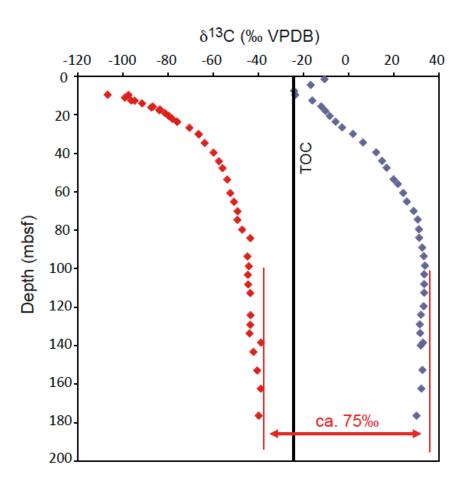


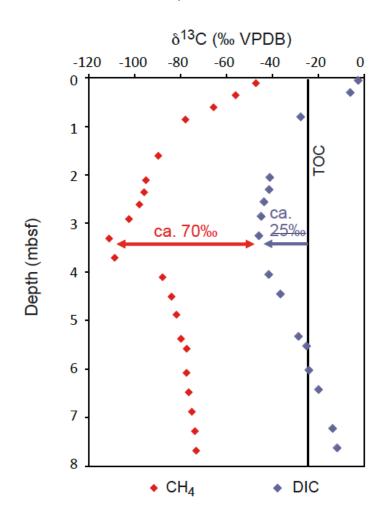
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Both isotopic equilibration during AOM and methanogenesis is necessary to explain porewater profiles \rightarrow ca. 75% difference between CH₄ and DIC



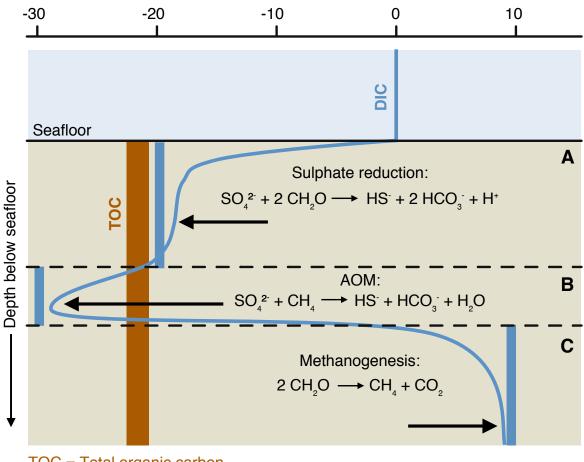


Site C-2, Bullseye vent, Cascadia Margin, water depth 1311 m; Pohlman et al. (2008)



Variable δ^{13} C values in diagenetic carbonates document dynamic conditions

in the deep biosphere



 δ^{13} C (% VPDB)

TOC = Total organic carbon

DIC (Dissolved inorganic carbon) = $CO_2(aq) + HCO_3^2 + CO_3^2$

