

Tracing Tasman Leakage on Broken Ridge (Indian Ocean) since the Middle Miocene

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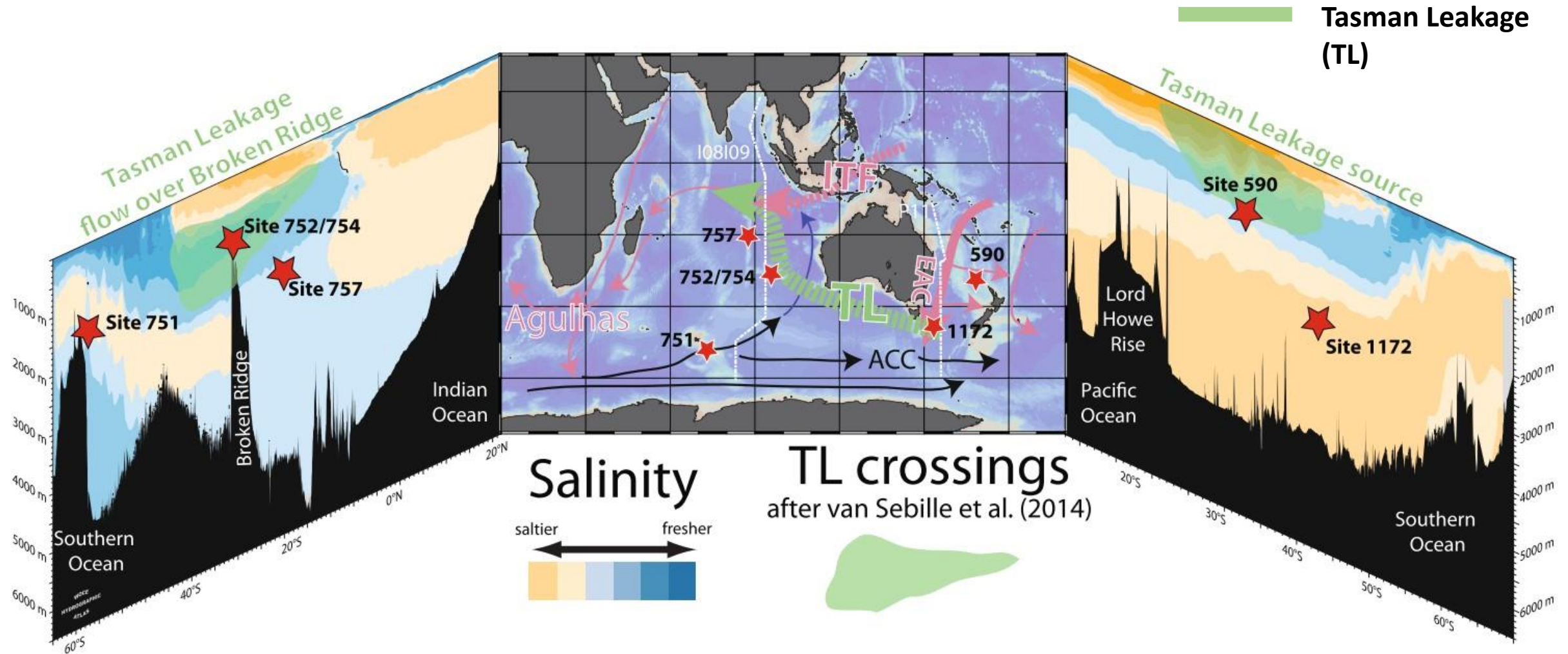
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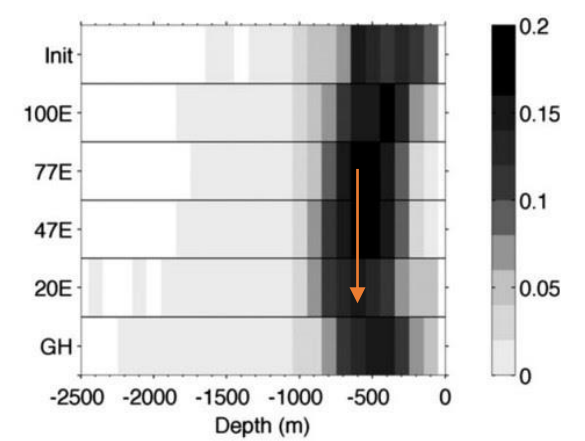
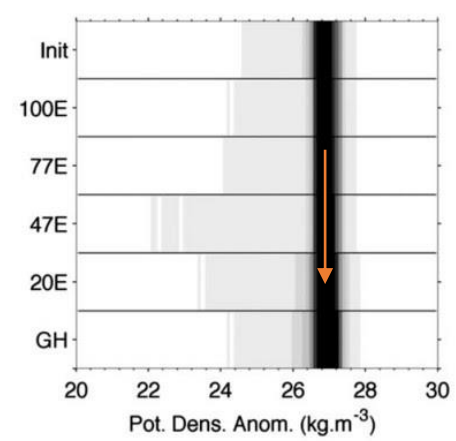
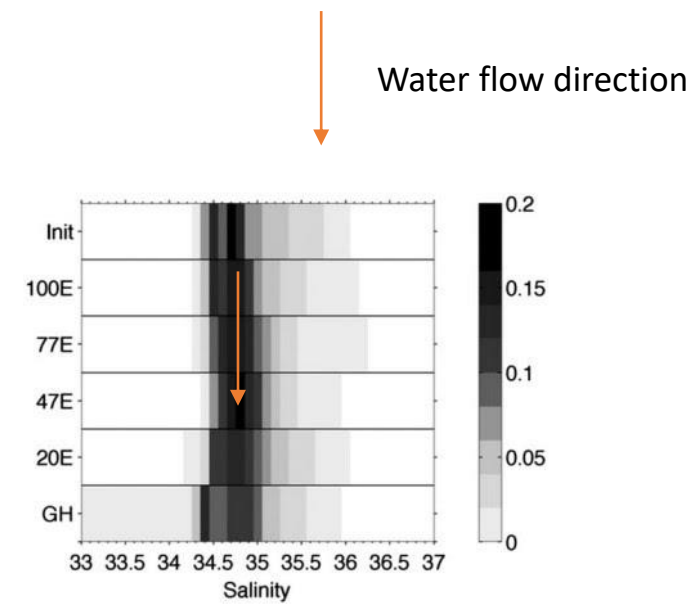
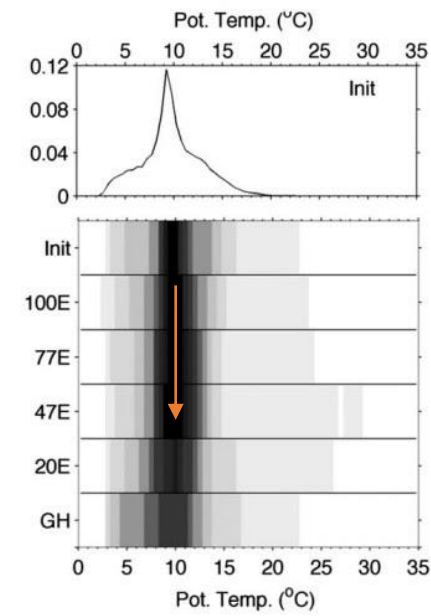
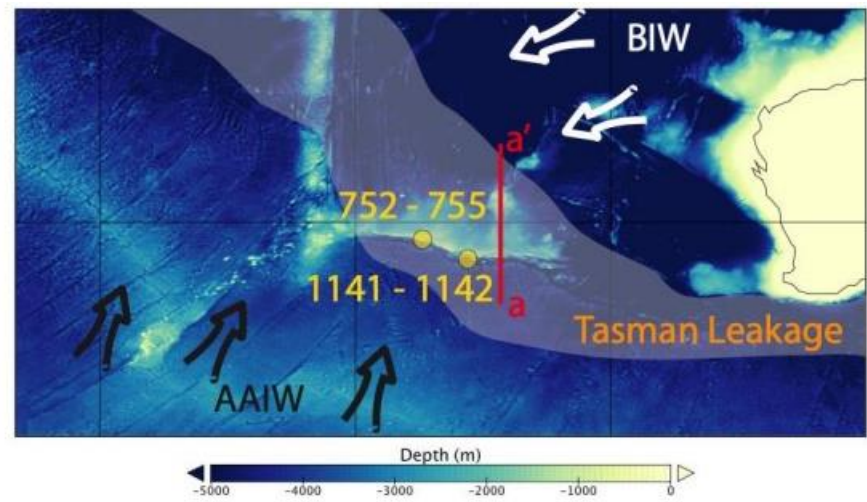
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Tasman Leakage links the Pacific and Indian Ocean, south of Australia, at **intermediate water** depth.



TL maintains its water properties and undergoes little mixing with surrounding waters when moving through the Indian Ocean



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Tasman leakage in a fine-resolution ocean model

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RESEARCH ARTICLE

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Key Points:

- Pacific and Indian Oceans are connected through IIF and Tasman leakage
- Both pathways are important for global circulation but are not correlated
- A transient mode of exchange

Pacific-to-Indian Ocean connectivity: Tasman leakage, Indonesian Throughflow, and the role of ENSO

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Tasman leakage: A new route in the global ocean conveyor belt

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Key Points:

- A study of pathways, timescales, and water transformations of Indian

Indian Ocean sources of Agulhas leakage

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Tasman Leakage of intermediate waters as inferred from Argo floats

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Key Points:

- Benthic $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ time-series from the southwestern Pacific and eastern Indian Ocean suggest onset of Tasman Leakage at 7 Ma
- Latitudinal movement of the

Late Miocene Onset of Tasman Leakage and Southern Hemisphere Supergyre Ushers in Near-Modern Circulation

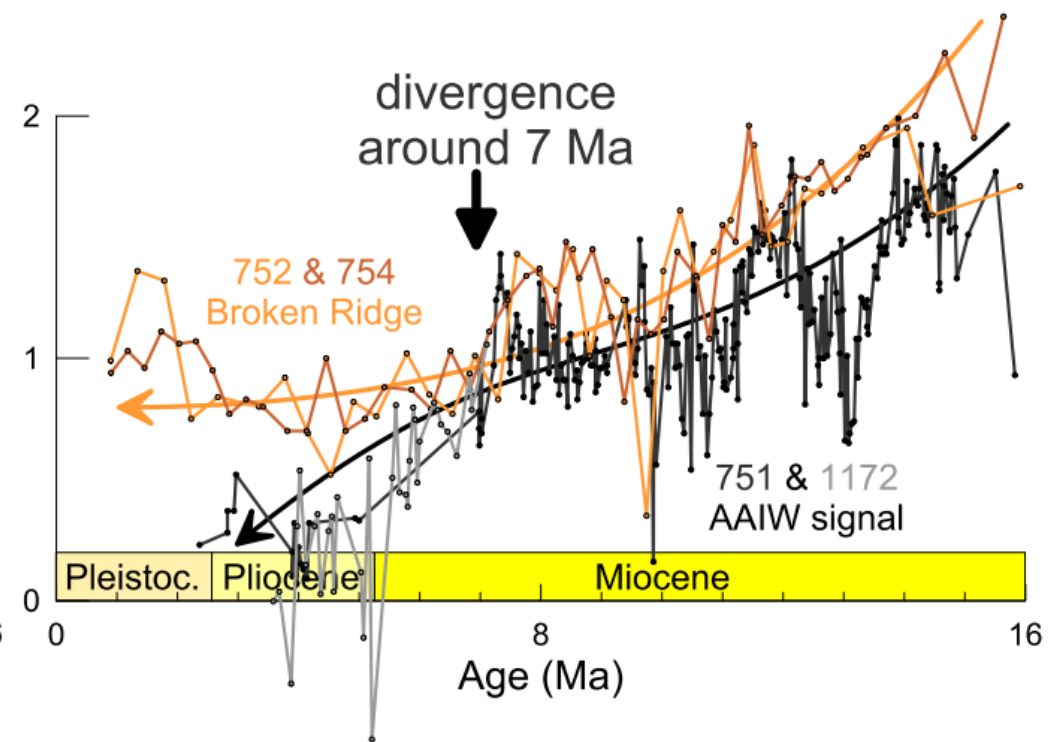
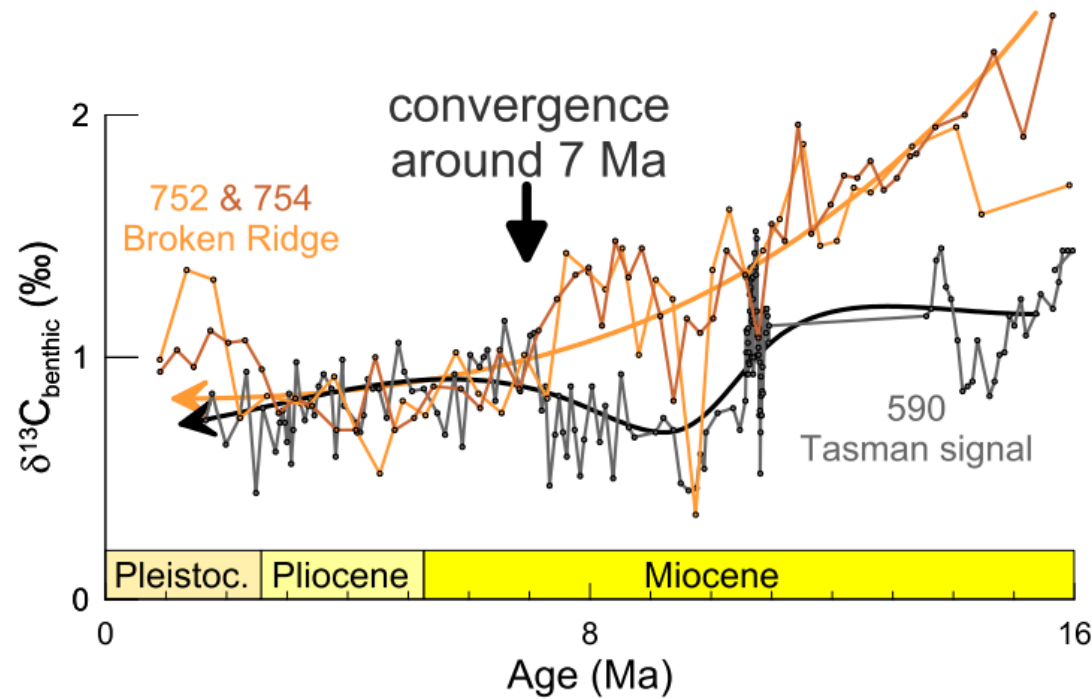
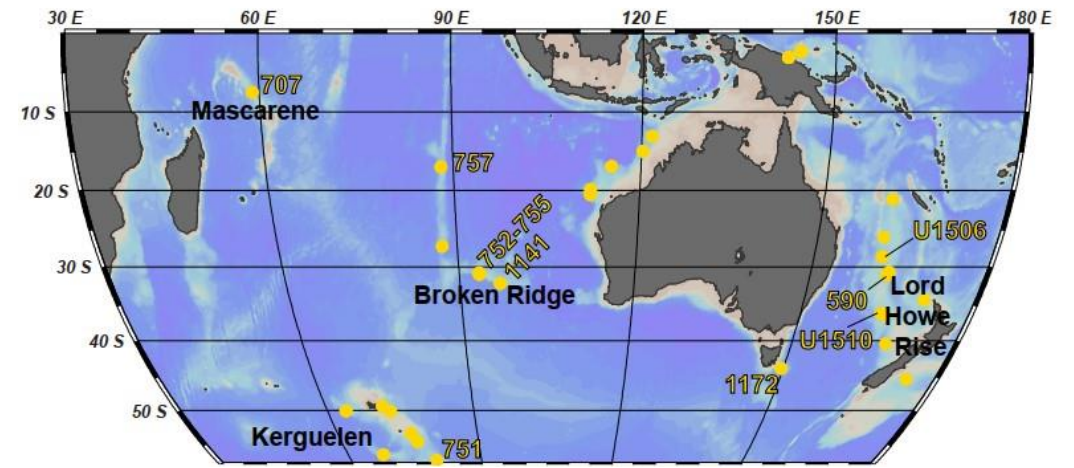
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Legacy $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ data indicate TL onset at ~ 7 Ma



Christensen et al., 2021. Site 590: Kennett, 1986; Site 752/754: Rea et al., 1991; Site 751: Mackensen et al., 1988; Site 1172: Diester-Haass et al., 2006

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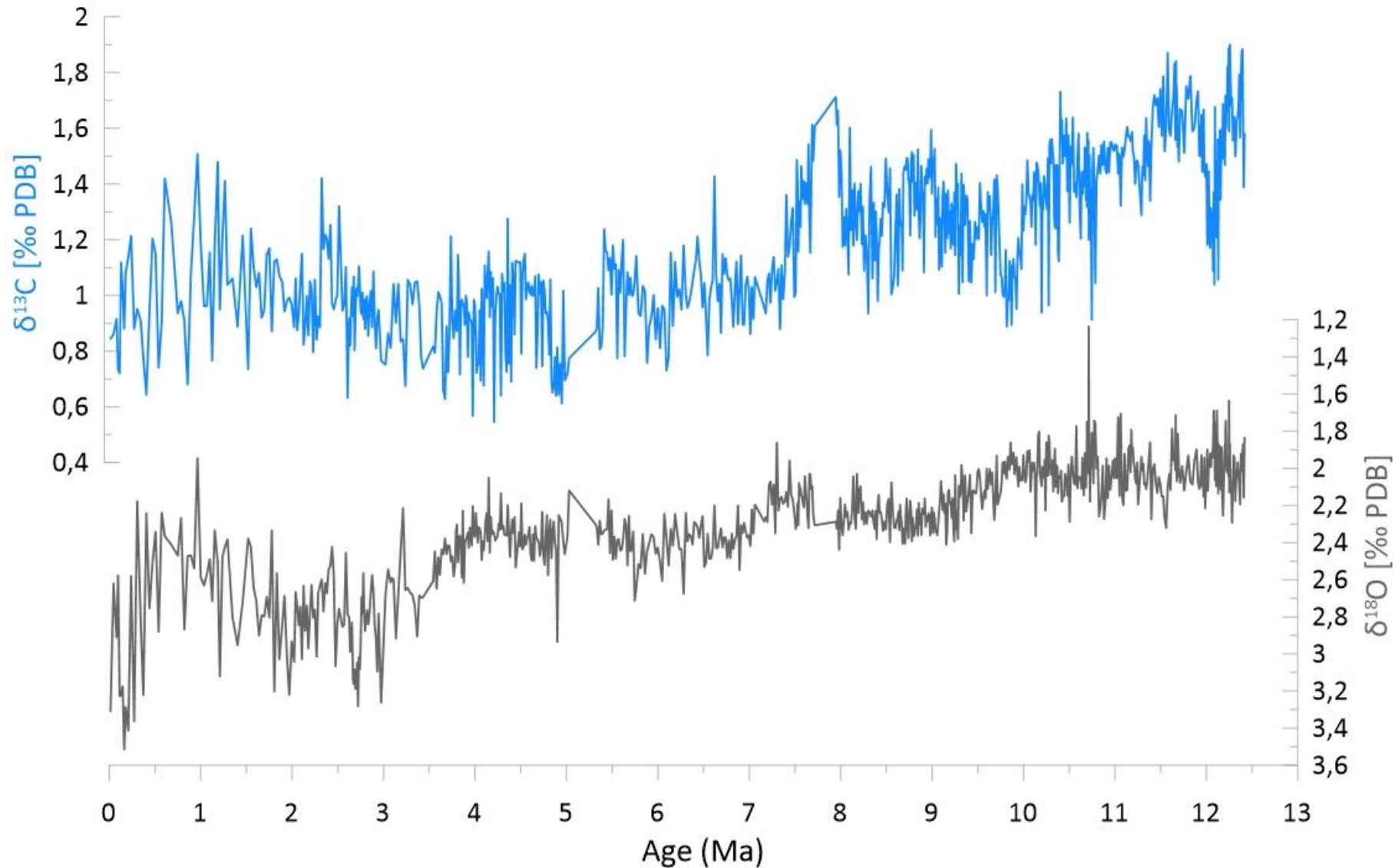
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Scientific objective

- Pinpoint the onset of Tasman Leakage in geological time
 - Main factor(s) that control TL behaviors climatic (subtropical front), and/or tectonic (northward motion of Australia)
- To differentiate between TL and AAIW

	TL	AAIW
Temperature	~10 °C	2-5 °C
Salinity	34.5-35 psu	~34.4 psu
$\delta^{13}\text{C}$	~1.2 ‰	~0.5 ‰
ϵNd	Less depleted	depleted

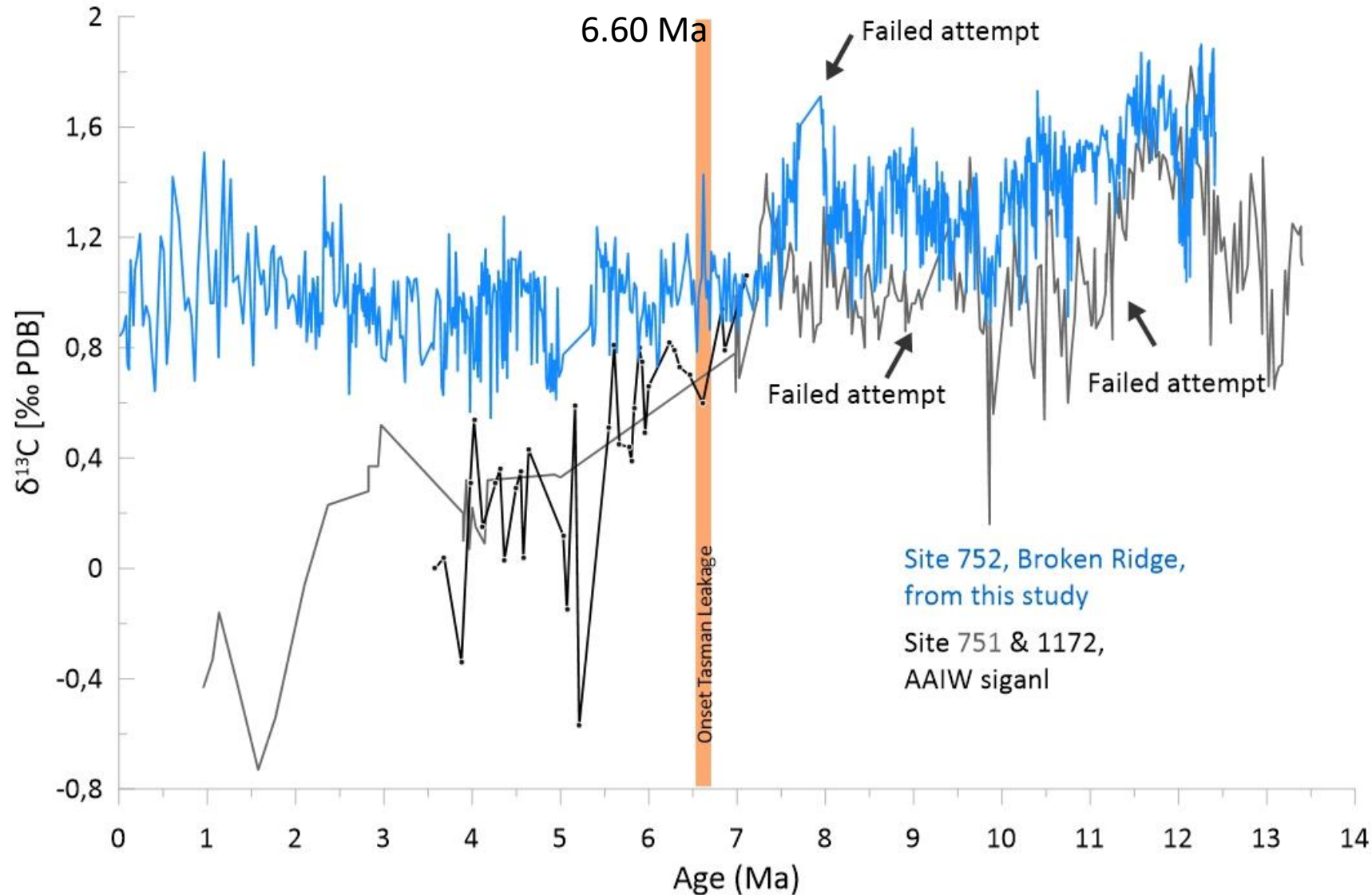
Site 752 benthic carbon and oxygen stable isotopic records in the orbital resolution



Cibicides mundulus,
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and *C. wuellerstorfi*.
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Stable isotopes were
measured at MARUM,
University of Bremen

The isotopic divergence between Broken Ridge and the AAIW sites is at 6.60 Ma



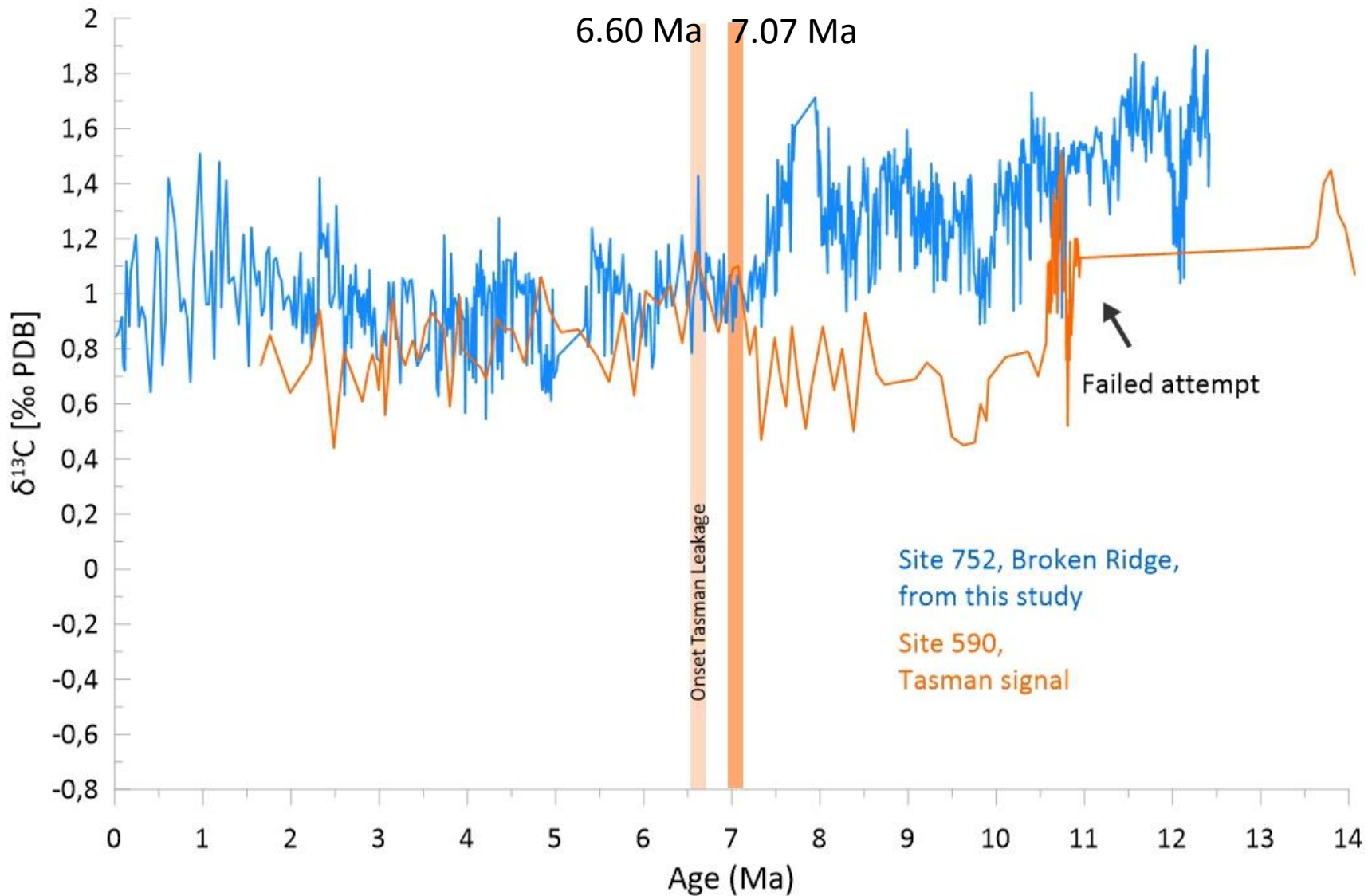
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Site 752, Broken Ridge,
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Site 751 & 1172,
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The isotopic convergence between Broken Ridge and the Tasman site is at 7.07 Ma



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Neodymium isotope (ϵ_{Nd}) as an additional proxy to trace TL

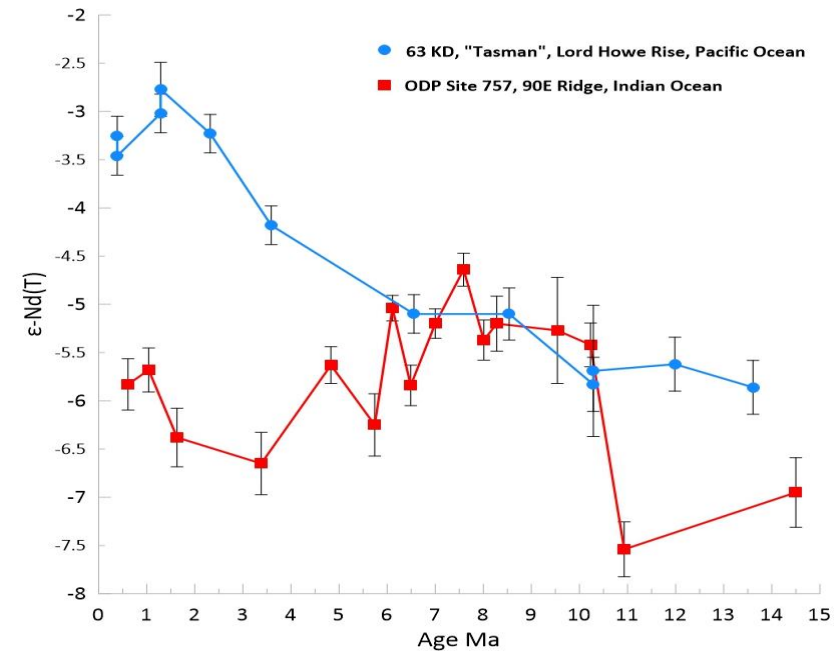
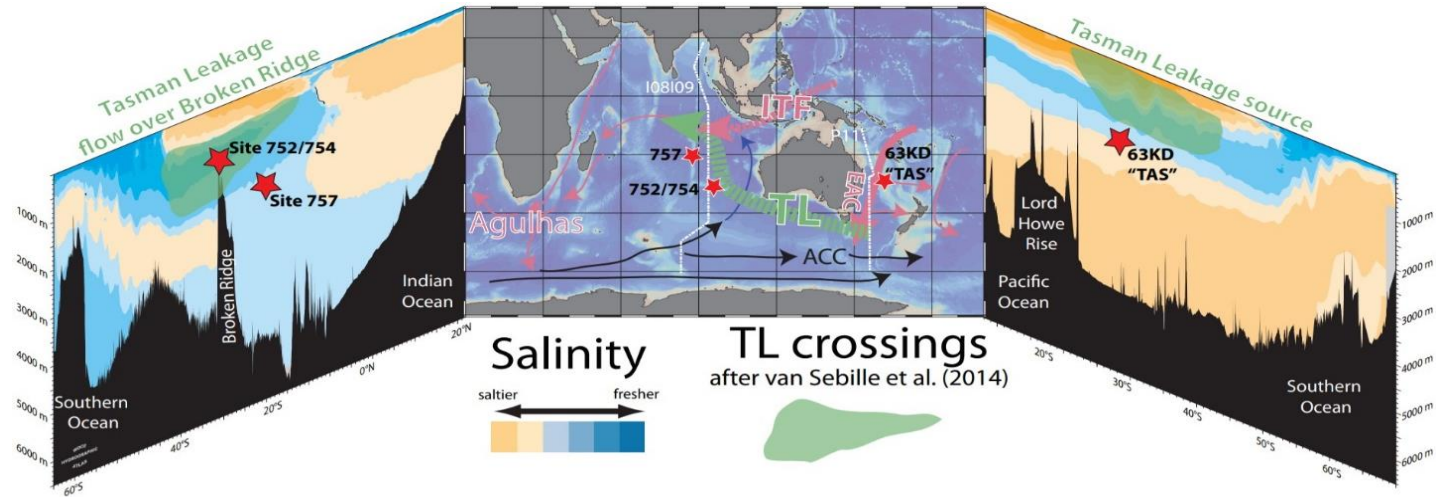


- Fossil fish debris from a variety of marine environments preserves a reliable and robust record of deep seawater Neodymium isotopic compositions (ϵ_{Nd}) from the time of deposition (Martin and Scher, 2004).
- ϵ_{Nd} serves as a water mass tracer

Fish teeth and bone debris from ODP Site 752, photos by J. Lyu

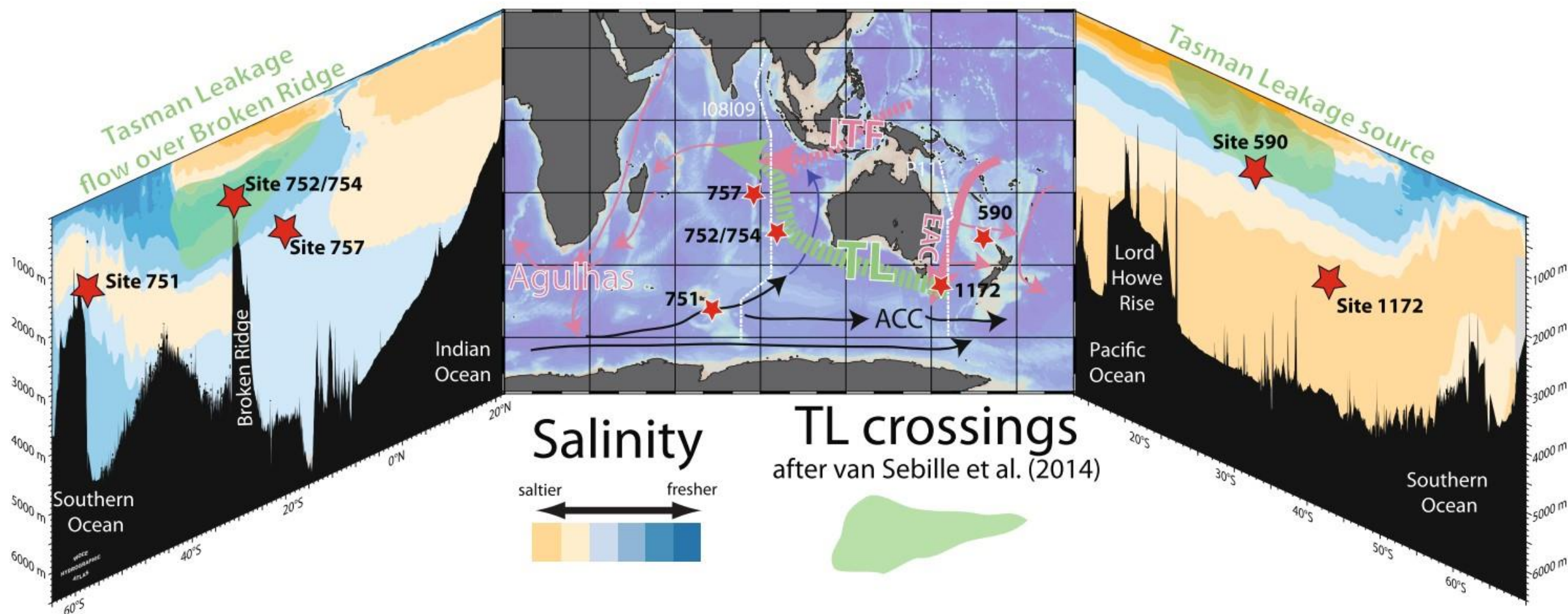
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- Constructing an ϵ_{Nd} record will allow testing whether the Sites (752/754) were bathed in AAIW or Tasman Leakage, and therefore, to determine the timing of a switch.



"Tasman", 63KD: van de Flierdt, et al., 2004, Site 757: Martin and Scher, 2006

Take home



Christensen et al., 2021

Thank you for your attention!

Any further comments and/or questions→

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