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The Holocene evolution of a coastal lake at the Atlantic coast of Portugal

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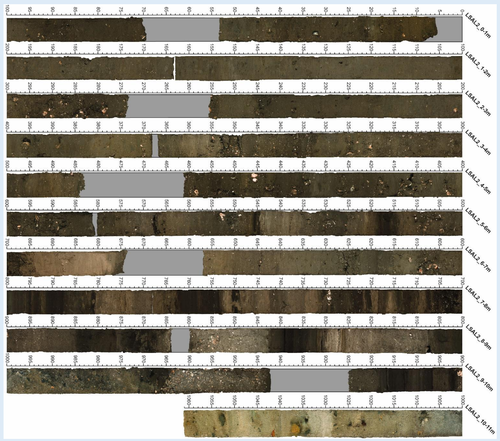
BACKGROUND

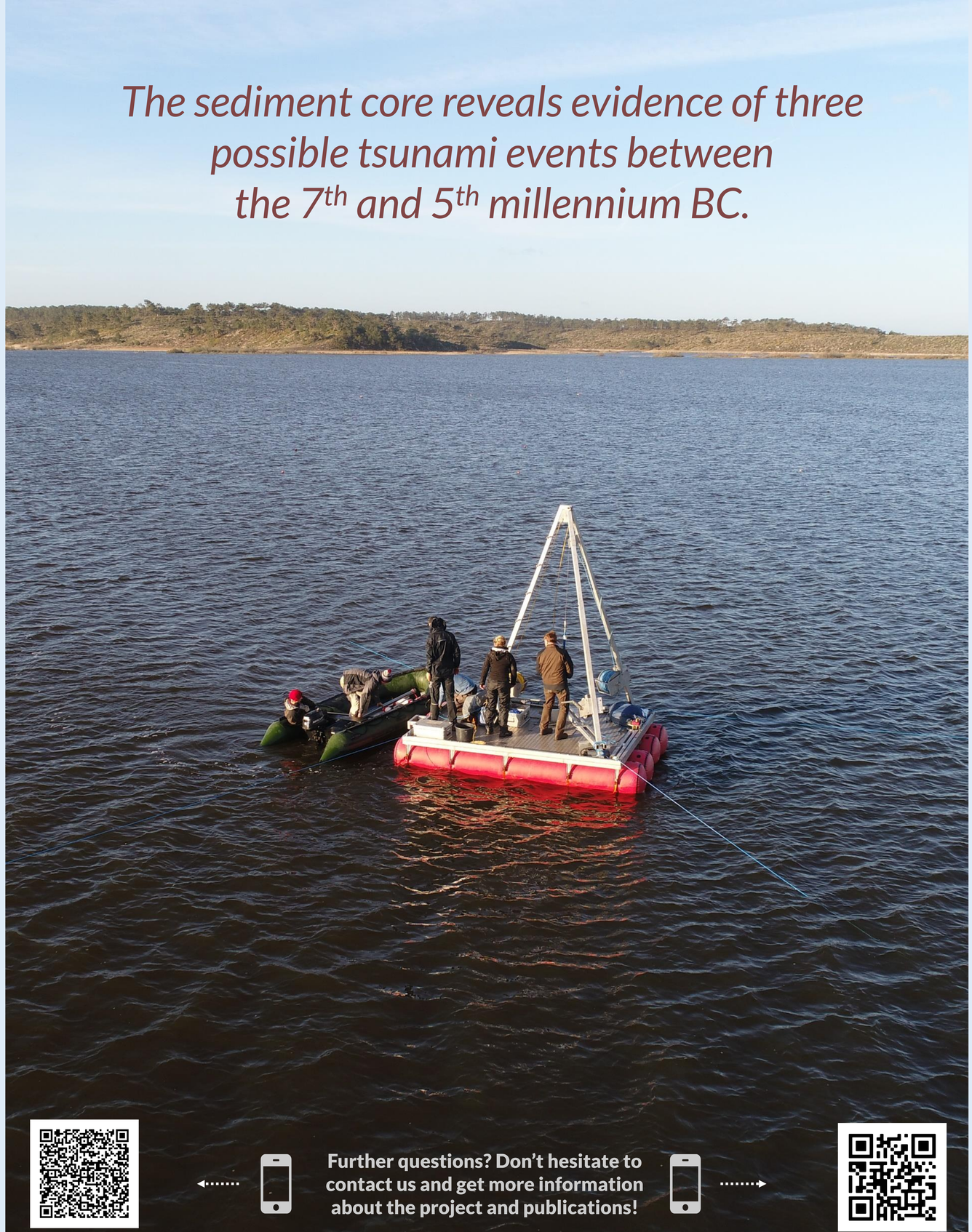
- Located at the west coast of Portugal, ca. 80 km south of Lisbon
- Continuous Holocene sedimentation
  → Excellent geo-bio-archive
- Exposure to extreme wave events
- Artificial annual reconnection to the open sea since at least 17th century AD → High recent biodiversity

METHODS

1. Lake drilling using a UWITEC floating platform
2. Granulometry
3. Geochemistry (XRF scans with ITRAX core scanner, C/N analysis, magnetic susceptibility)
4. Micropalaeontology



The sediment core reveals evidence of three possible tsunami events between the 7th and 5th millennium BC.



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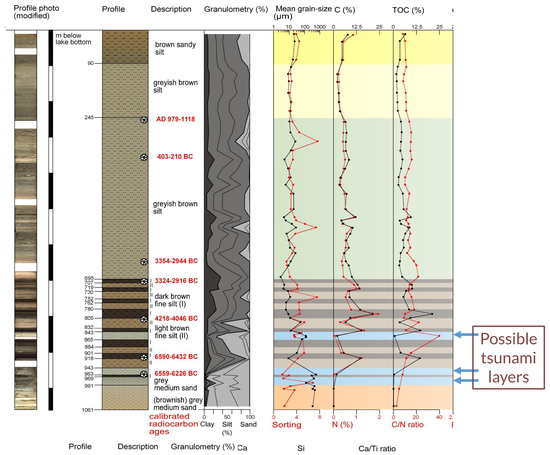
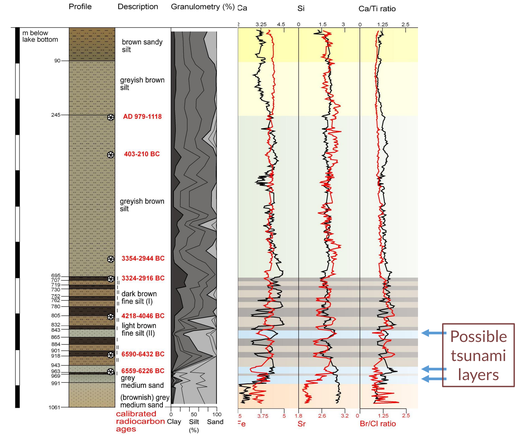
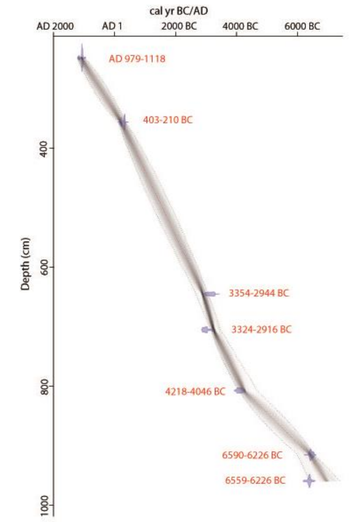
Results of the geochemical analyses





Age/depth model

(according to Blaauw and Christen, 2011)



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