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#### Abstract

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This primary goal of this dissertation is to increase understanding of the end Cretaceous (or Cretaceous – Paleogene or K-Pg) mass extinction through the use of light stable isotope geochemistry. These studies attempt to examine any climatic and environmental changes that occurred around the K-Pg boundary, and might have contributed to the K-Pg mass extinction, specifically by examining isotopic records at high stratigraphic resolution around the boundary. Studies are completed in two field areas, the Antarctic Peninsula and eastern Montana, USA, both of which preserve the K-Pg boundary. While these works, like most scientific studies, lead to further questions that warrant investigation and confirmation, they generally support the idea the end Cretaceous mass extinction was more complicated than a simple asteroid strike.

This dissertation is comprised of five scientific chapters as well as short introductory and concluding sections. The introduction explains the background and context behind each study, and the process by which I ultimately worked with a wide variety of co-authors to complete the various projects. The conclusion begins the process of examining the differences and similarities of each study, and explores further avenues of research to test some of the proposed hypotheses or reconcile potentially contradictory data. Four of the chapters are written as scientific manuscripts, while a fifth chapter details the work done as part of my astrobiology rotation.

Chapter 1 (Tobin et al., 2011) outlines the discovery of analytical errors in the typical process of measuring carbonate stable isotopes ( $\delta^{13}C$  and  $\delta^{18}O$ ) on small sample sizes of powder. Carbonate material is typically prepared using one of two methods, either by drilling using a high speed drill or micromill, or by crushing a sample using a mortar and pestle. Drilling produces a finer grain size of material, which is consequently more prone to being altered in its  $\delta^{18}O$  value during a typical automated measurement process, while the sample is waiting in the queue to be analyzed. This chapter outlines the specific parameters under which this phenomenon occurs, and describes a correction procedure, though we encourage every lab to develop their own correction scheme.

Chapter 2 (Tobin and Ward, submitted) is the second of two papers (in order of analysis and publication, but first presented here) that analyze and interpret  $\delta^{13}C$  and  $\delta^{18}O$  values from molluscan shell carbonate collected on the Antarctic Peninsula, though a small amount of fossil shell material was also used in Chapter 1. In this study, we examine trends in  $\delta^{13}C$  for ammonites and other benthic mollusks using our own collections with added samples coming from collections currently housed at the Paleontological Research Institute (PRI). In both collections we find a notable offset in  $\delta^{13}C$  between ammonites and benthic mollusks, though good correspondence in  $\delta^{18}O$ . Ultimately, the best interpretation of this pattern is that ammonites are incorporating more respired  $CO_2$  into their shell material, potentially from a higher metabolic rate. A more active

lifestyle could potentially have increased the susceptibility of ammonites to an event like bolide impact at the end of the Cretaceous.

Chapter 3 (Tobin et al., 2012) also looks at isotopic records, in this case focusing on  $\delta^{18}O$  values, for fossil mollusks from Antarctica. Paleotemperature can generally be inferred from  $\delta^{18}O$  values if the  $\delta^{18}O$  of the water from which it came can be estimated reliably, as is generally thought to be the case for seawater during the Cretaceous. We generate a time series of  $\delta^{18}O$  across the K-Pg boundary. We also generated a magnetostratigraphic record for the section, as well as paleobiological data in the same stratigraphic context. Statistical analysis revealed two extinction events, one at the peak of warming from the paleotemperature record (50 meters below the K-Pg boundary), the other simultaneous with the iridium anomaly indicating the asteroid strike. The warming events are also correlated (using magnetostratigraphy) with the timing of Deccan Traps volcanism, which could potentially generate warming via  $CO_2$  emission. The evidence is most consistent multiple causes contributing to the end Cretaceous mass extinction over a short geological interval. The plausibility of the Deccan – warming link is explored in Chapter 5, though it is ultimately inconclusive due to the uncertainty in total volumes of  $CO_2$  emitted during this event.

Chapter 4 (Tobin et al., 2014) performs a similar analysis to that in Chapter 3, but on freshwater mollusks from eastern Montana. Because the paleo-depositional setting was fluvial/lacustrine, traditional  $\delta^{18}$ O paleotemperature reconstruction is not a useful tool. Carbonate clumped isotope paleothermometry, while more challenging analytically, avoids this problem, and was used to generate a temperature record across the K-Pg boundary. A cooling trend in summer temperatures was identified in the last ~30 meters of the Cretaceous (though bivalve nutrient stress could plausibly explain the pattern as well). This pattern occurs over the same stratigraphic interval that vertebrate paleontologists have identified biodiversity changes, and could plausibly be related. As with Chapter 3, this study is most consistent with a multiple cause mass extinction.

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#### Introduction

Five major biological crises, the so called "big five" mass extinctions (Raup and Sepkoski, 1982; Sepkoski Jr., 1997), have been recognized over the Phanerozoic period (542 Ma), as have a number of less severe "minor" mass extinctions. Catastrophic extinctions of microscopic life have been theorized to have occurred in Precambrian, but the fossil record of life over this period is too poor for us to be sure. Some effort has been made to identify cyclicity in their patterns, but these efforts have been generally unsuccessful (Rohde and Muller, 2005). While there may be causal mechanisms that are common to some or all mass extinctions, better understanding of each individual mass extinction must be established first.

Mass extinctions appear to be unique periods in the history of earth where typical extinction selectivity patterns are different than 'background' periods (Purvis, 2000). Due both to the uniqueness of their selectivity and the magnitude of their severity, these events have had a profound effect on the trajectory of life on earth. Mass extinctions are so important to biota of earth that they are targeted as a field of study by the NASA astrobiology roadmap (specifically Goals 4 and 5). While potential mass extinction causal mechanisms like extraterrestrial bolide impacts are likely universal to any life that has emerged elsewhere in the universe, other proposed causes, like flood basalt volcanism, marine regression ,and global glaciation, are likely more specific to earth. However, the evolutionary pressures of catastrophic events of any kind are likely to follow the patterns observed in our terrestrial mass extinctions regardless of cause.

The end Cretaceous mass extinction is the most recent and well-studied of the 'Big Five' mass extinctions. This event occurred at (and in some ways defines) the Cretaceous – Paleogene (K-Pg) boundary, previously called Cretaceous – Tertiary (K-T) boundary, a stratigraphic division that has recently been reclassified. This document used both end Cretaceous mass extinction and K-Pg mass extinction to refer to the same event. Evidence for a large (  $\approx$  10 km diameter) bolide impact

at the K-Pg boundary was discovered over 30 years ago and has since been refined (Alvarez et al., 1980; Hildebrand et al., 1991). A vast majority of geologists accept that this event was contemporaneous, or nearly so, with the extinction of previously widespread geologic groups (e.g. ammonites, non-avian dinosaurs), but the relative importance of the bolide impact as a causal mechanism is still the subject of some debate in the paleontological community (Archibald et al., 2010; Courtillot and Fluteau, 2010; Keller et al., 2010; Schulte et al., 2010). Few researchers, though there are some exceptions, believe that the bolide impact was inconsequential, but there are some who believe the evidence points to a more complex interplay between more gradual climatic changes and the sudden bolide impact (Arens and West, 2008; Gertsch et al., 2011; Mitchell et al., 2012; Scheffer et al., 2001; Wilson et al., 2014).

Even events considered long-term by modern human standards, like climate change, can occur on scales that are very short, and therefore difficult to resolve, in a geologic context.

Consequently, difficulties have arisen in our ability to rigorously compare multiple hypotheses about the cause or causes of many mass extinctions. As the most recent of the big five mass extinctions, the K-Pg extinction is the most likely to yield stratigraphic sections with high temporal resolution. The K-Pg event also has the only undisputed evidence for a bolide impact, as proposed extraterrestrial evidence at other mass extinction boundaries have generally not been accepted by the scientific community.

The primary goal of this dissertation is to examine the events around the K-Pg boundary in order to determine if any proposed environmental contributions to the mass extinction can be resolved, and if they appear to have any effect on the biota over that same time period. It is important not only to identify whether such climatic perturbations occurred, but whether they occurred with the right timing relative to biotic records to have been a plausible contribution to the causes of the mass extinction. The primary means by which I have examined paleoclimatic variation

is through light stable isotope geochemistry, specifically carbon ( $\delta^{13}$ C), oxygen ( $\delta^{18}$ O), and combined – or clumped – isotope ( $\Delta_{47}$ ) analysis. Most of these analyses have been completed on fossil material from stratigraphic sections on Seymour Island, Antarctica, with another study completed in the Hell Creek area of eastern Montana. Both of these locations have deposition crossing the K-Pg boundary, but with very different environmental and geographical conditions.

Apart from the introductory and concluding chapters, this dissertation is comprised of four scientific chapters, each of which also stands alone as a scientific paper. Three of the four have been published already, with a fourth having recently been submitted. The concluding chapter compares the results of each more directly with each other, in a way that was somewhat beyond the scope of each individual study. While the work in total contributes to our understanding of the end Cretaceous mass extinction, it also raises new questions that should be addressed, and I hope to work towards answering those questions in my research as my career continues.

Below I will briefly explain the context and background of each of the chapters, specifically why the individual scientific questions were asked, and how they were answered. Taken individually, each of the chapters may appear to be somewhat disconnected from the others, but they all grew out of the same research goals and contribute to our understanding of stable isotopic records around the K-Pg boundary. I was fortunate that I was able to work with a wide variety of co-authors, on the separate papers, which gave me a range of views on how to complete and write a scientific manuscript.

The first of these chapters (Chapter 1) focuses on methodological changes to way stable isotope measurements are performed in the UW IsoLab, as well as in other labs around the country (Tobin et al., 2011). We were attempting to generate oxygen isotope ( $\delta^{18}$ O) records from fossil shell carbonates, both aragonite and calcite, across K-Pg boundary from Seymour Island. However, I noticed that replicate measurements on the same powders completed in different analytical groups

were not always consistent, and often had systematic biases between groups. It took some time to pin down the source of the error, but working with Andrew Schauer, the lab manager for the IsoLab, we explored a number of possibilities. The direction of change in the  $\delta^{18}$ O values for later analyses was consistent and in the direction of sample alteration, which suggested to us that something was happening to samples that were prepared and untouched for a long period of time between analyses. None of our initial experimental attempts at the effects of 'storage time' were able to replicate the observed results. We also explored the effect of mineralogy, reasoning that aragonite is metastable at earth surface temperature and pressure, and might be more likely alter during long term storage, but this also proved to be incorrect.

We finally determined that alteration was happening, not during long term storage, but during short term storage immediately prior to analysis. It was common practice in our lab, and other labs (the measurement device is built for this protocol), for samples weighed and ready for analysis to be stored in the processing machine (Kiel III Device) prior to their analysis. The Kiel device is effectively a low temperature (70°C) oven to facilitate that the acid digestion of carbonates, and storage in the device was thought to minimize the water interaction with the sample to minimize alteration. Unfortunately, we found that storing finely powdered samples in the device would cause them to begin to alter their isotopic values, with the alteration dependent on the time spend in the Kiel device. It took some time to reach this conclusion, as more coarsely powdered specimens were not susceptible to this type of alteration. My third co-author, undergraduate Evan Lewarch, assisted in a more thorough investigation of this phenomenon, preparing and analyzing suites of samples to test the predictability and consistency of the alteration. Ultimately, we were able to create a way of correcting for this problem, and changed our lab protocol to stop the pre-storage of samples at elevated temperatures, and instead to store the samples in a room temperature desiccator. Even with a changed protocol the correction procedure is still in use, as the last samples analyzed in a group have still been in the Kiel for almost 24 hours.

Having determined the source of the measurement problems in Chapter 1, I was then able to complete the analyses for  $\delta^{18}$ O and  $\delta^{13}$ C from Seymour Island which now include Chapter 3 (Tobin et al., 2012) and part of Chapter 2 (Tobin and Ward, submitted). Seymour Island is located just off the Antarctic Peninsula, and is part of larger island basin called the James Ross Island Basin which includes sediments of Coniacian through Danian age, as well as overlying Eocene deposits. Seymour Island contains the Maastrichtian (Cretaceous) and Danian (Paleogene) stages, and continuous sedimentation across the K-Pg boundary. Fossils there are very well preserved, both physically and chemically, and consequently make excellent targets for isotope geochemistry and paleobiological investigations. One of the major geological difficulties with working in this area is that precise correlations with elsewhere around the world are difficult, due to endemic ammonite groups (challenging biostratigraphy), and lack of radiometric age dating targets.

Work on Seymour Island was completed as part of a large team, including scientists (and coauthors) from Caltech and CADIC in Argentina. My work was focused on the geochemical and paleobiological data, and the Caltech group, led by Joseph Kirschvink, generated magnetostratigraphic records that allowed us to correlate Seymour Island with global events. I would later complete paleomagnetic analyses at the Caltech lab under the direction of Kirschvink to create a similar record for the whole James Ross Island Basin. This work will be written up separately (and after) my dissertation, as it is neither geochemical nor directly related to the K-Pg extinction.

By combining our geochemical data with new and previously published paleobiological data, we were able to determine that there was substantial warming in the latest part of the Cretaceous. This warming was synchronous with a local multi-species extinction that was stratigraphically lower than a second local multi-species extinction at the precise K-Pg boundary (as determined by previous workers finding the iridium anomaly). This period of warming is

coincident with the main phase of Deccan traps flood volcanism, which can be well correlated with our section using the magnetostratigraphy. Ultimately the evidence from this study is consistent with both volcanism forced climate change and the bolide impact influencing the overall end Cretaceous mass extinction. These events happened geologically very close together, and it likely that in other sections around the globe that they would time-averaged together and not resolvable.

The warming – volcanism link was explored further by some simple climate modelling in Chapter 5. This work was completed as part of my astrobiology research rotation but was not explored fully enough to generate a scientific manuscript. A box model based off GEOCARB III was employed to examine the effects of CO<sub>2</sub> perturbations to the Cretaceous atmosphere. Ultimately, we concluded that any warming experienced from flood volcanic CO<sub>2</sub> release was not strongly dependent on total emission duration of the volcanic episode, or on the number of individual emission events over the total duration of the episode. This effect was primarily due to the relatively long time that CO<sub>2</sub> remains in the atmosphere. However, the total volume of CO<sub>2</sub> released was very important for the resultant warming; unfortunately the published estimates for this volume range over almost two orders of magnitude. Given these estimates, the warming observed in Chapter 3 can be plausibly generated by Deccan volcanism.

In the course of the isotopic measurements completed for Chapter 3, the analytical methods I employed also generate carbon isotopic values ( $\delta^{13}$ C) in addition to  $\delta^{18}$ O. As these values were generated from a range of different biological groups, an important step in the quality control for Chapter 3 was a comparison of variation between biological groups. No differences were seen in  $\delta^{18}$ O, but there was a systematic offset in  $\delta^{13}$ C between ammonites and the other benthic mollusks. In Chapter 2, I explored some of the potential causes for this anomaly, as it may shed some light on the reason ammonites, and not other shelled mollusks, became extinct at the end of the Cretaceous (Tobin and Ward, submitted).

While there were overall population differences in  $\delta^{13}C$  between ammonites and benthic mollusks, I wanted more samples to better quantify the pattern. There were no more immediate opportunities for field work to collect more samples on that island, so I visited previously collected specimens at the Paleontological Research Institute. From these samples, I generated a reasonably comparable isotopic record, albeit with poorer stratigraphic control. The  $\delta^{18}O$  results from this study compared very well with those from our UW collection, and yield a higher confidence in our paleotemperature record. Similarly, we also continued to see the offset between ammonites and other mollusks in the carbon isotopic record.

The  $\delta^{13}$ C offset could theoretically be caused by a number of different phenomena. We were able to rule out some possibilities by ensuring that the pattern was not an issue of comparing different stratigraphic horizons and by quantifying the magnitude of the difference (>3.0‰). Two possible explanations remained. The first, that ammonites are in some way influenced by significantly depleted carbon from cold methane seeps, is plausible, though unlikely, given that this pattern has been observed in other population studies around the globe, and the ammonites record the same water temperature as the benthic mollusks. Our evidence may explain the  $\delta^{13}$ C values at geologically clear methane seeps, instead of attributing the isotopic values to the methane seep itself (Landman et al., 2012). Instead, we believe it is more likely that ammonites incorporate respired  $CO_2$  into their shell material due to constricted exchange of their extra-palial fluid with the ocean. Alternatively, their metabolic rate could have been significantly increased, indicating that they were very active swimmers and feeders. This active need may be the reason ammonites were more susceptible to a sudden catastrophic event like the bolide impact at the end of the Cretaceous.

In the process of completing analysis for Chapter 2, I was able to confirm the temperature record that was published and now comprises Chapter 3 of this dissertation. While the temperature patterns we observed from Antarctica match those of other ocean sites in the Atlantic and Indian

oceans, it is not clear how global the pattern is, and particular whether terrestrial environments were responding the same way. I wanted to generate a similar paleotemperature record from another outcrop environment, as it would allow substantial macrofossil paleobiological data to be compared with the temperature record, which is not possible from analysis of core. I also wanted to test a terrestrial environment.

Fortunately for me, a member of my committee, Greg Wilson, was leading a project in the terrestrial K-Pg sediments of eastern Montana, in the Hell Creek area. His project had been focusing mostly on the vertebrate paleobiological record, but there is also sporadic preservation of freshwater mussels in the field area. In the preceding years, a new isotopic technique, carbonate clumped isotope paleothermometry, was being developed. This method allows the determination of carbonate formation temperature in terrestrial environments, as it does not depend on an estimation of the paleowater chemistry. For the work detailed in Chapter 4, I analyzed the freshwater mussels from the Hell Creek area during two trips to Caltech to generate temperature values across the K-Pg boundary (Tobin et al., 2014). Putting field sites in their relative stratigraphic position is complicated in this area due to infrequent rock exposure due to vegetation cover, lateral facies changes in the fluvial and floodplain environment, and land access rights. In the local field area, the K-Pg boundary has been demonstrated to be almost exactly coeval (<10cm difference) with the formational contact between the lower Hell Creek Formation and the overlying Fort Union Formation. High precision GPS measurements of this boundary across the field area allowed us to model the contact as simple plane, and project many of our field sites to the plane to get their stratigraphic positions.

Having analyzed a several samples from stratigraphically irregularly distributed horizons, we were able to generate horizon average temperatures in a stratigraphic series. Sampling was better in the Cretaceous, and we recorded a cooling trend in summer temperatures across the last

~300ka of the Cretaceous before the K-Pg boundary. This trend corresponded temporally to decreases in biodiversity observed in the paleobiological record by Greg Wilson and his graduate students. The temperature record we developed also corresponded very well to leaf based paleotemperature proxies generated a decade earlier. However, comparing the Hell Creek record with the Seymour Island record is complicated by the poor resolution in the Hell Creek area. I explore these issues further in a short Conclusion section.

# Chapter 1. Alteration of Micromilled Carbonate $\delta^{18}O$ During Kiel Device Analysis (Tobin et al. 2011)

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## <u>Abstract</u>

Isotopic analysis of carbonate material has been greatly facilitated by the development of autosampling devices such as the Kiel III Carbonate Device, allowing rapid automated analysis of small sample sizes. This analysis is facilitated by holding samples and acid at temperatures around 70°C prior to reaction. In most situations this has no measurable effect on sample powders on practical timeframes, but, when analyzing exceptionally fine-grained material produced by micromilling, the  $\delta^{18}O$  of both aragonite and calcite is altered by -0.1‰/day. Laboratories that use this technique should thoroughly test and correct for this phenomenon and avoid storing preweighed materials within the Kiel device or similar drying oven prior to analysis.

#### Introduction

The stable isotopic composition of carbonate has been used as record of paleotemperature and other paleoclimatic variables for over fifty years (Epstein et al., 1953). This analysis is typically done by phosphoric acid digestion of solid carbonate material to release  $H_2O$  and  $CO_2$  with subsequent purification of  $CO_2$  gas for analysis in an isotope ratio mass spectrometer capable of measuring m/z 44-46 (Coplen et al., 1983; McCrea, 1950). Advances in this technique have allowed for analysis of sample sizes as low as  $10~\mu g$ , with a throughput approaching 100~a analyses per day, using an autosampling instrument such as the Kiel III Carbonate device (Thermo Scientific, Bremen, Germany, and hereafter Kiel device). The Kiel device holds samples, standards and acid at above ambient temperatures (Kiel device default is  $70^{\circ}C$ ) to facilitate acid digestion.

As required sample sizes have decreased, numerous studies (e.g. Correa et al., 2010; Dutton et al., 2007; Spötl and Mattey, 2006) have employed computer guided, fine-tipped, high-speed drills, for example the Merchantek Micromill (New Wave, Portland, OR, USA). These tools have allowed high-resolution sampling in fossil and modern shell material, often generating temporal resolution at the monthly, or finer, scale, an impossible task using coarser sampling methods. Previous studies have debated the effect of high speed drilling on aragonite material. Gill et al. (1995) argue for a significant direct effect of drilling on  $\delta^{18}$ 0, though Swart et al. (1996) were concerned about the homogeneity of their material. Foster et al. (2008) later confirmed that high speed drilling has no detectable influence on the measurable isotopic value of the aragonite. While micromilling likely does not induce direct alteration of carbonate material, we present evidence below that it may compromise the stability of  $\delta^{18}$ 0 in both aragonite and calcite when analyzed using a Kiel III Carbonate Device.

#### **Methods**

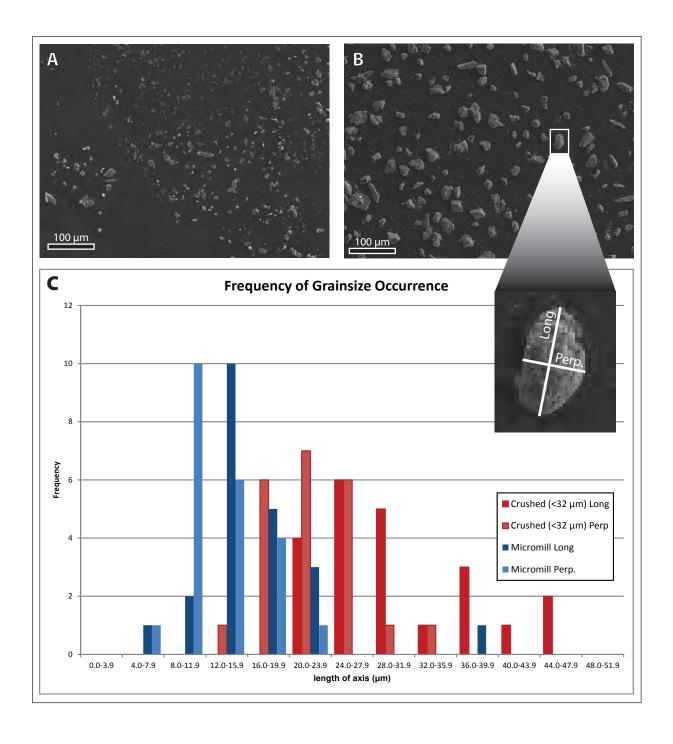
Aragonite and calcite, confirmed by X-Ray Diffraction, was sampled via two methods, crushing with mortar and pestle (hereafter crushed), and drilling with a fine-tipped, high-speed Merchantek Micromill drill (hereafter micromilled). The drill was set to 50% speed (approximately 18,500 rpm). Aragonite was derived from a Late Cretaceous molluscan shell which was crushed and sieved through a set of standard sized sieves, generating a sub-32 $\mu$ m fraction. Crushed and micromilled samples from the same shell were homogenized and then weighed (0.049  $\pm$  0.017mg:1 $\sigma$ ) and interspersed into two full 46-analysis, 20-hour runs for analysis in a Kiel device attached to a Delta Plus Isotope Ratio Mass Spectrometer (Thermo Finnigan, Bremen, Germany). The first run was put directly into the carousel for immediate analysis while the second run sat in a sample tray within the Kiel device oven. Samples were interspersed within a run with internal lab standards calibrated to NBS-18 (-3.01% VPBD) (IAEA, Vienna, Austria) and NBS-19 (-2.20%)

VPDB) for  $\delta^{18}$ O and NBS-19 (+1.95‰ VPBD) and LSVEC (-46.6‰ VPBD) for  $\delta^{13}$ C (NIST, Gaithersburg, MD, USA). Internal lab standards are pure calcite, and experience a different oxygen isotope fractionation than aragonite as demonstrated by Kim et al. (2007b). Aragonite  $\delta^{18}$ O values were therefore corrected for this fractionation, adjusted to 70 °C. This procedure was repeated with a crushed internal lab marble calcite standard and a micromilled Late Cretaceous molluscan shell preparation. In addition to focused testing as outlined above, a variety of aragonite materials were run as duplicates, one placed at the beginning and one placed at the end of a 46-analysis, 20-hour run, over a period of eight months to determine whether any alteration was a product of seasonal variations in humidity or other factors.

The micromilled and the smallest crushed size fractions of aragonite were also examined at high magnification to assess grain size as sieves were unavailable to provide the size details in the sub-32µm range (Fig. 1.1). Grains were sonicated on non-contaminating weighing paper (Fisher Scientific, Hampton, NH, USA) for five seconds to disperse clumps, then pressed onto an adhesive carbon stub and carbon coated for analysis and imaged using a JEOL 733 electron microprobe equipped with an Everhart-Thornley secondary electron detector (JEOL USA, Peadbody, MA, USA) and the Geller dPict imaging system (Geller MicroÅnalytical Laboratory, Inc., Topsfield, MA, USA). Size measurements on each size fraction were performed by randomly selecting pixels via a random number generator, and if a grain was selected, its longest visible dimension was measured, as was the widest distance perpendicular to the long axis.

#### **Results**

The mean ( $\pm 1~\sigma$ ) size of micromilled aragonite is  $13\pm 6~x~11\pm 5\mu m$  (Fig. 1.1). Fig. 1.1 (c) summarizes measurement statistics for the long and perpendicular axes of the micromilled and crushed ( $<32\mu m$ ) size fractions examined with the microprobe. A Welch's t-test confirms, at greater



**Figure 1.1.** Representative scanning electron micrographs of the micromilled aragonite (A) and ( $<32\mu m$ ) crushed aragonite size fraction (B) with a histogram of the distribution of long and perpendicular axes lengths(C).

than 99.999% likelihood, the visual evidence from the micrographs and histogram that the two size fractions are significantly different.

An 'accepted' isotopic value (‰) for each different preparation and mineralogy was calculated by taking the mean of the first three measurements (shortest time spent in Kiel device) from each sample group. Each subsequent value was subtracted from this accepted value to determine the amount of change due to alteration. Fig. 1.2 shows the pattern of alteration in  $\delta^{18}$ O with total time spent in the Kiel device at  $70^{\circ}$ C. Micromilled aragonite (Fig. 1.2a) and calcite (Fig. 1.2b) demonstrate a significant trend toward more negative values in  $\delta^{18}$ O with longer exposure time:  $-0.12\pm0.03$  ‰/day for aragonite (p<0.001) and  $-0.10\pm0.02$  ‰/day for calcite (p<0.001). This trend is not present in either of the crushed sample size fractions or in the  $\delta^{13}$ C of any sample (data not shown). In some cases the best-fit line intercept is non-zero, as would be initially anticipated for unaltered samples. The calculated intercept is an artifact of the assigned 'accepted' value for each sample group, a value that does not affect the slope that describes the rate of alteration. Additionally, data collected during long-term analysis had a consistent trend with the short-term experiment (-0.15 $\pm0.03$  ‰/day, p<0.001). Data are available is Appendix 1.

#### Discussion

The  $\delta^{18}O$  of micromilled carbonate is detectably altered (-0.1‰/day) over a 24 hour period when stored at  $70^{\circ}C$ . Only micromilled carbonate, with grain size  $13 \times 11 \mu m$ , showed alteration in isotopic values, and only in  $\delta^{18}O$ , while carbonate above  $27 \times 19 \mu m$  grain size, did not show alteration. The authors attribute the alteration to exchange with atmospheric water facilitated by the high temperature inside the Kiel device. Exchange with gaseous  $CO_2$  may also occur, though the lack of alteration in  $\delta^{13}C$  values suggests this is a relatively minor factor. This alteration likely occurs in every sample and standard, but only affects the surficial layer, and consequently, only has a measurable isotopic effect on very small grain sizes with high surface area to volume ratios. This

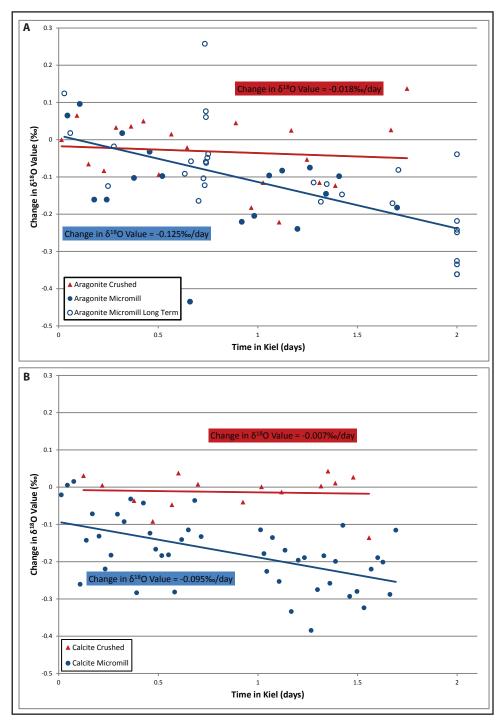


Figure 1.2. Alteration of  $\delta 180$  for crushed (triangles) and micromilled (circles) size fractions for aragonite (A) and calcite (B). Open symbols are data generated over a longer (months) time frame. The slope for micromilled data in 2a is generated using all micromilled data, including the long term analyses. Data presented in supplemental information (Table 1).

effect is just measurable over the course of a single day run, as regularly reported precision for  $\delta^{18}O$  in Kiel device systems is  $\pm 0.1\%$ , suggesting a correction factor should be applied to micromilled, or similarly prepared, carbonate samples based on total time spent in the Kiel device. Ideally, standards of similar grain size would be run in tandem with micromilled samples. Due to the limitations of available sieves creating a sufficiently small grain size by conventional crushing and sieving might be problematic. The practice of placing pre-weighed samples inside the Kiel device or similar low-temperature oven for storage or drying should be avoided. The authors recommend storing pre-weighed samples in a room temperature desiccator, optionally with soda lime to scrub  $CO_2$  (Friedman et al., 1982). Furthermore, similar alteration tests should be performed for other carbonate processing procedures.

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Chapter 2. Carbon isotope ( $\delta^{13}$ C) discrepancies between Late Cretaceous ammonites and benthic mollusks from Antarctica

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## <u>Abstract</u>

Ammonites are one of the most common fossils from the Mesozoic, but there is little consensus on their mode of life. Isotopic studies have been used to reconstruct their preferred water temperature from  $\delta^{18}O$  measurements, but  $\delta^{13}C$  values have more ambiguous interpretations. Previous studies have recorded population differences in  $\delta^{13}C$  between ammonite and benthic organisms without explaining the cause in detail. Here we examine a molluscan community from Seymour Island, Antarctica and also find a carbon isotope offset between ammonites and other benthic mollusks. The most likely cause of this anomaly is an increased metabolic carbon contribution to ammonite shell material when compared with other mollusks, but we cannot rule out the possibility of a methane seep contribution. Increased respired  $CO_2$  production could be generated by a more active lifestyle and increased energy demands, which may have increased the susceptibility of ammonites to the end Cretaceous mass extinction.

#### Introduction

Ammonites, biostratigraphically and ecologically important shelled cephalopods, were one of the most notable casualties of the Cretaceous – Paleogene (K-Pg) mass extinction (66 Ma). Their complete and rapid extinction was one of the most important demonstrations of the rapidity of the K-Pg mass extinction event (Marshall and Ward, 1996; Marshall, 1995). While most other major molluscan groups survived the extinction, albeit with some losses, all ammonites went extinct rapidly at the end of the Cretaceous. While evidence for an asteroid impact at the K-Pg boundary remains overwhelming more than three decades after it was first proposed (Alvarez et al., 1980),

the specific aspects of this catastrophe responsible for directly killing organisms (Archibald et al., 2010; Schulte et al., 2010), and the potential contributions of other events like Deccan Traps flood volcanism (Mitchell et al., 2012; Tobin et al., 2014, 2012), are still being debated. Any kill mechanism must explain the preferential extinction of ammonites compared to other molluscan groups, and this still unresolved question provides a compelling driver for continued research into their paleoecology.

It is not clear that there are any good modern analogs for ammonites, as the only nektonic or demersal carbonate secreting mollusks today are *Sepia*, *Spirula*, and *Nautilus*. Stable isotope and morphological evidence has been used to argue that ammonites lived in relatively shallow waters in a demersal, or nektobenthic, lifestyle (e.g. Moriya et al., 2003; Westermann, 1996) though recent work has argued for more complexity, both taxonomically between ammonite species and ontogenetically (Ritterbush and Bottjer, 2012; Ritterbush et al., 2014). *Nautilus* (Taylor and Ward, 1983) and *Spirula* (Warnke et al., 2010) both prefer deeper water and a more pelagic lifestyle, though they may come to the shallow waters at night to feed. Other morphological evidence also raises questions about *Nautilus* as an ammonite analog (Jacobs and Landman, 1993) as does the internal nature of the *Spirula* and *Sepia* shells.

Much of the evidence for lifestyle patterns of ammonites has come from stable isotopic analysis of shell carbonate. In most of these analyses, both  $\delta^{18}O$  and  $\delta^{13}C$  values are generated, but many studies focus primarily on the  $\delta^{18}O$  values as these can generally be used to reconstruct paleotemperature (Kim et al., 2007b) with reasonable accuracy. Less well studied are the  $\delta^{13}C$  values, which have more ambiguous interpretations, and few attempts have been made to explicitly compare and explain the  $\delta^{13}C$  of ammonites relative to contemporary mollusks. Analysis of  $\delta^{13}C$  from modern *Nautilus* has encountered mixed results; some studies (Crocker et al., 1985; Taylor and Ward, 1983) found no significant changes in  $\delta^{13}C$  over the lifespan of the organism, while

others have recorded a decreasing pattern (Auclair et al., 2004). In both cases  $\delta^{13}$ C values were at, or very near, equilibrium values expected from seawater. In contrast,  $\delta^{13}$ C values from modern *Spirula* record  $\delta^{13}$ C values out of equilibrium with seawater, a phenomenon attributed to the internal nature of their shell, and which may increase the incorporation of respired  $CO_2$  into their shell (Price et al., 2009). Ontogenetic series for *Spirula* are also inconsistent, showing both increasing and decreasing patterns, sometimes in the same shell (Price et al., 2009; Warnke et al., 2010). *Sepia* also show a 'vital effect' on their  $\delta^{13}$ C values, similar to that in *Spirula*, and probably from the same cause – the internal nature of the shell (Rexfort and Mutterlose, 2006).

Many studies that have investigated fossil molluscan populations found that ammonites have lower  $\delta^{13}$ C values than benthic mollusks, including in the Jurassic of England and Poland (Malchus and Steuber, 2002), the Cretaceous of the United States (da Silva, 2006; He et al., 2005) and Canadian (Forester et al., 1977) Western Interior, the Cretaceous of Australia (Henderson and Price, 2012). Belemnites, another extinct fossil cephalopod group, have also shown a  $\delta^{13}$ C offset in the same direction (Alberti et al., 2012; Wierzbowski and Joachimski, 2007; Wierzbowski, 2002). Wierzbowski and Joachimski (2007) analyzed a wider variety of taxonomic groups and find that ammonites and belemnites have more negative  $\delta^{13}$ C values than oysters, but similar  $\delta^{13}$ C values to trigonid bivalves. In these studies, if the  $\delta^{13}$ C offset is commented on, it is generally briefly attributed to a vital effect or diagenesis, as most studies are focused on interpretation of the  $\delta^{18}$ O values for temperature.

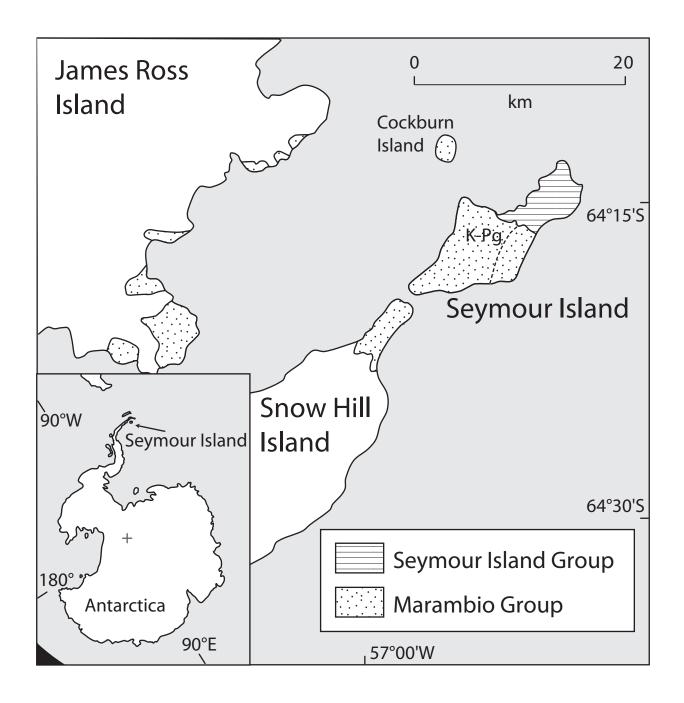
Landman et al. (2012) examined a molluscan population from a Campanian-aged deposit they convincingly argued is a methane seep environment based on overall morphology and very light  $\delta^{13}$ C values (-40 to -45%) of matrix carbonate. Mollusk  $\delta^{13}$ C values were depleted relative to mollusks not at the seep, a discrepancy they attribute to the incorporation of relatively light methane carbon influencing the dissolved inorganic carbon (DIC) pool around the seep

environment. Within the seep samples the  $\delta^{13}$ C of ammonites is lower than those of the benthic mollusks (see Conclusion for more). Here we examine another Late Cretaceous (Maastrichtian) molluscan community from Seymour Island, off the Antarctic Peninsula. We examine multiple stratigraphic horizons from two fossil collections and find consistently depleted  $\delta^{13}$ C values for ammonites when compared with benthic mollusks. We explore some hypotheses, but the most likely explanation is that this phenomenon is a vital effect caused by the incorporation of a significant percentage of respired, or metabolic, carbon into the shell.

#### **Geologic Setting**

Seymour Island is located on the northeastern end of the Antarctic Peninsula (Fig. 2.1), and has continuous sedimentation of Maastrichtian to Danian age, including a complete Cretaceous – Paleogene (K-Pg) boundary section. The sediments comprise the uppermost Marambio group, and an unconformity separates them from overlying Eocene Seymour Island Group (see Olivero, 2012; Olivero et al., 2007 for more information). All the samples were collected from the Lopez de Bertodano Formation (LBF), which contains the K-Pg interval and is interpreted as continental shelf deposition (Macellari, 1988) during the uplift of the Antarctic Peninsula. Since deposition, the area has seen little change in its paleogeographic location or paleolatitude (~62 °S) since deposition (Tobin et al., 2012; Torsvik et al., 2008). Additionally there has been little tectonic influence, with only minor homoclinal tilting (5° – 10°) and minimal burial history.

The LBF is well exposed during austral summer when not covered in snow, and it is highly fossiliferous, particularly in the uppermost "molluscan units" as defined by Macellari (1988, 1986). Fossils are not only abundant, but are very well preserved, both physically in their three-dimensional structure, but also chemically, in the persistence of primary mineralogy, principally aragonite, with a small number of taxa precipitating calcite. Two similar but separate collections of fossils were analyzed for  $\delta^{13}$ C and  $\delta^{18}$ O. The first group (hereafter: 'UW collection') was collected by



**Figure 2.1.** Map of field area, samples for this study were collected from the uppermost Marambio Group on Seymour Island, which contains the K-Pg boundary. Inset shows location of Seymour Island in relation to Antarctica and the southernmost South America.

the authors and assisting field workers during field seasons between 2008 and 2011. The second group (hereafter: 'PRI collection') was collected by expeditions lead by Zinsmeister (e.g. Zinsmeister, 1998; Zinsmeister et al., 1989) over many field seasons during the 1980s and 1990s, and is currently housed at the Paleontological Research Institute (PRI). We sampled and analyzed the PRI collection in 2012 and 2013.

The UW collection was collected for the purposes of generating an isotopic record across the K-Pg boundary (Tobin et al., 2012) and as such was collected with attention to stratigraphic detail, but without a focused attempt to acquire large numbers of specimens at any stratigraphic level. The  $\delta^{18}$ O values for this collection were explored in Tobin et al. (2012) to reconstruct paleotemperature, but the  $\delta^{13}$ C values were not, and required further investigation. The PRI collection has some stratigraphic information, though with larger uncertainties in their relative positions (Zinsmeister, 2001), but is much larger in terms of numbers, and has many localities with a variety of taxa represented. These collections cannot be placed in a 1:1 stratigraphic correspondence with each other, as the K-Pg boundary horizon is the only suitable correlative bed. The collections must be treated separately, but that is not a major drawback of this study.

#### Methods

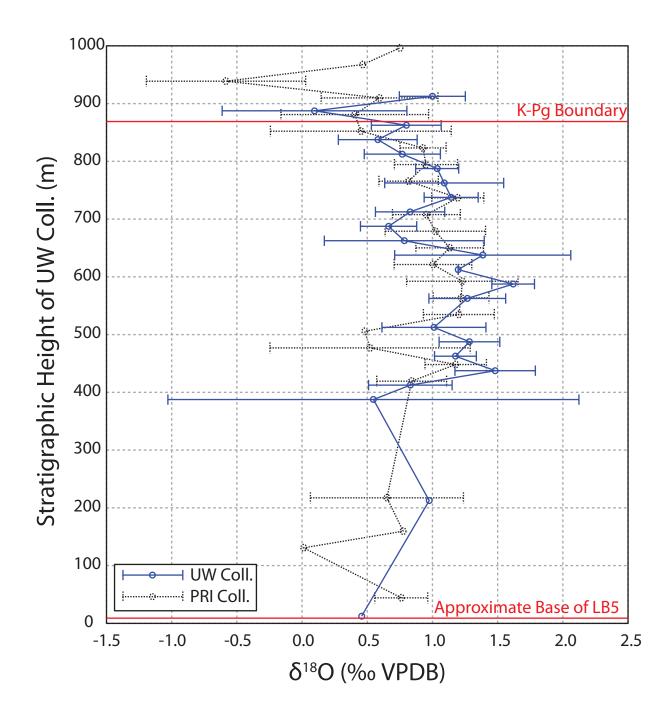
Sample processing for the collections differed due to restrictions necessary for the curated PRI museum collection. Fossil shells from the UW collection were cut, polished, and drilled using a computer controlled Merchantek micromill to generate powder for isotopic analysis. This processed allowed access to the interior of the fossil shell, which is less likely to experience diagenetic alteration. Samples analyzed for the UW collection were also checked for diagenesis using cold cathodoluminescence microscopy, trace element concentrations, and X-Ray diffraction to assess primary mineralogy (see further details in Tobin et al. 2012). Some of the earliest samples from the UW collection were prepared using tool tip made of carbide. While there was no variance

in these values with relation to  $\delta^{18}$ O, these samples were often significant outliers in  $\delta^{13}$ C space, and all analyses made using this tool were removed from this analysis. Fossils from the PRI collection could not be subjected to the same destructive cutting process, so small pieces of shell were either pried off the shell for later powdering, or drilled using a Dremel tool to powder the shell directly from the fossil. In both cases shells were not sampled near cracks or near any location where iridescent aragonite was not observed, and before drilling the very outermost layer of shell was powdered and removed to avoid any potential surficial diagenetic effects.

Sample powders were then weighed and analyzed along with internal lab standards calibrated to NBS-18 and NBS-19 for  $\delta^{18}O$  and NBS-19 and LSVEC for  $\delta^{13}C$ . Samples were reacted at 70 °C with anhydrous phosphoric acid at 70 °C in a Kiel III Carbonate Device attached to Delta Plus isotope ratio mass spectrometer at the IsoLab at the University of Washington. Any sample powder generated with a drill was corrected for time sensitive isotopic reset in the Kiel Device (Tobin et al., 2011). In most cases multiple analyses were completed on each powder aliquot and averaged together for mean shell  $\delta^{13}C$  and  $\delta^{18}O$  values.

#### **Results**

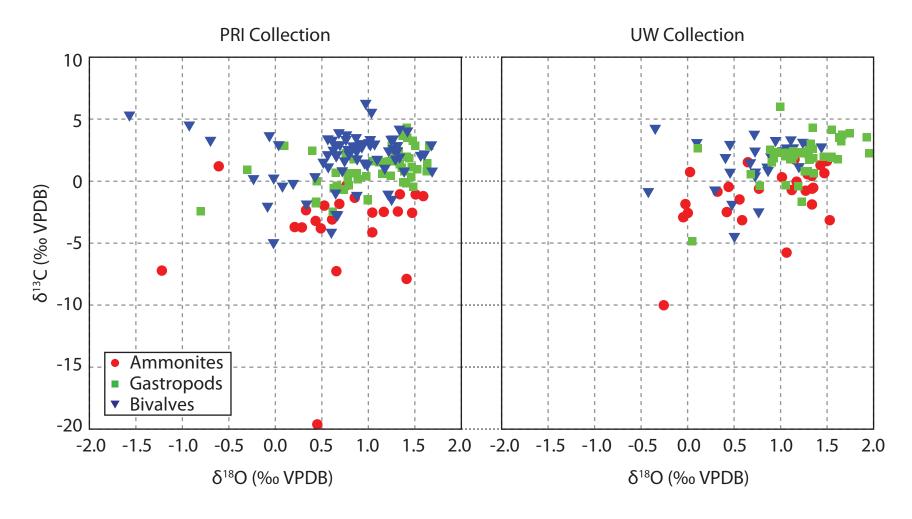
Diagenesis- The PRI collection was unable to be tested extensively for diagenesis, though every effort was made to avoid any fossils with signs of potential diagenesis (see Methods). However, previous work on the UW collection demonstrated that these measures were sufficient to generate a reliable data set (Tobin et al., 2012). Diagenesis is more likely to affect the  $\delta^{18}$ O composition of carbonate material (Banner and Hanson, 1990), and here we demonstrate the PRI collection data set records essentially the same stratigraphic  $\delta^{18}$ O pattern as the UW collection (Fig. 2.2) though the two records can only be reliably correlated using the K-Pg boundary horizon. We conclude that it given the correspondence of the  $\delta^{18}$ O records, it is unlikely that the  $\delta^{13}$ C of the PRI collection fossils has been altered. Similarly, there is no strong correlation between individual shell  $\delta^{13}$ C and



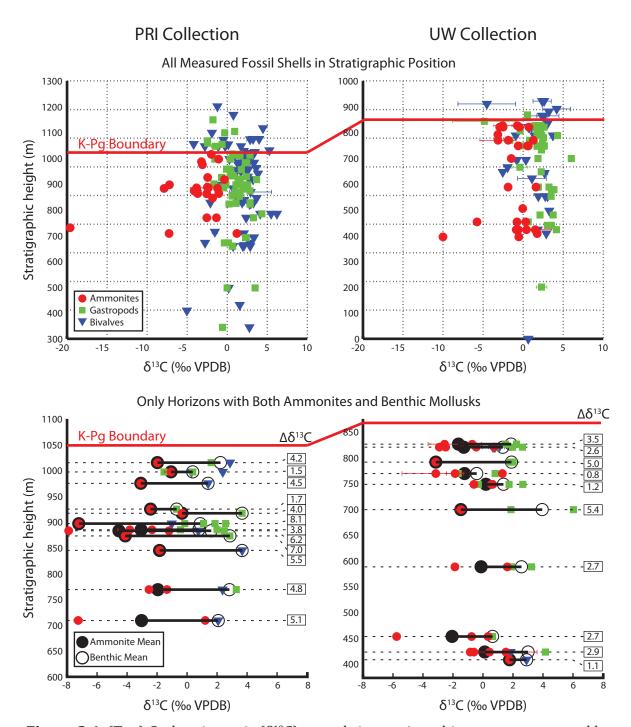
**Figure 2.2.** Oxygen isotopic ( $\delta^{18}$ O) records for the UW and PRI sample collections, stratigraphically correlated, and linearly stretched, using the K-Pg boundary and the base of informal unit 5 from Macellari (1988). Apart from the two tie points, the stratigraphic relationship between the two collections has unquantifiable uncertainty. Overall good correspondence suggests that there are no diagenetic differences between the two collections.

 $\delta^{18}$ O values in either the entire PRI or UW data set, or when broken down into ammonite or benthic data sets (R<sup>2</sup> values between 0.03 and 0.22), which adds circumstantial evidence to support a lack of diagenesis, where diagenesis would be represented by covariance between  $\delta^{13}$ C and  $\delta^{18}$ O. *Stratigraphic*  $\delta^{13}C$  and  $\delta^{18}O$  comparisons- The differences in  $\delta^{13}C$  are most apparent when plotted in their stratigraphic context, though differences are apparent in  $\delta^{18}$ O- $\delta^{13}$ C crossplots (Fig. 2.3). Because ocean water  $\delta^{13}$ C values (and local environmental factors) can change through time, averaging  $\delta^{13}$ C values across a long stratigraphic range will incorporate these changes as "noise" in an attempt to discern  $\delta^{13}$ C differences between ammonites and their contemporary benthic mollusks. In an effort to make the stratigraphic patterns clear,  $\delta^{13}$ C were plotted in their stratigraphic context (Fig. 2.4 (top), and horizons from which both ammonite and benthic fauna were recovered are separated out and plotted (Fig. 2.4 (bottom)). A horizon was defined in the PRI collection as a single collecting locality. In the UW collection, samples were collected along a stratigraphic section with their stratigraphic position given in meters. Fossils were considered to be in a single horizon when they were within one meter of each other stratigraphically. Average ammonite and benthic molluscan  $\delta^{13}C$  values were calculated at each horizon, and their differences (defined here as  $\Delta \delta^{13}C_{ben-amm}$ ) are plotted in Figure 2.4 and Table 2.1. In every case, the ammonite mean  $\delta^{13}$ C value is lower than the mean benthic  $\delta^{13}$ C values, though there is substantial variation in magnitude. At some horizons, there is only one representative ammonite or benthic mollusk, which is reflected in Figure 2.4 by the point overlying the benthic or nektic mean. The average  $\Delta\delta^{13}C_{ben-amm}$ for the selected horizons is 4.7% for the PRI collection, 2.7% for the UW collection and 3.8% for the combined data set.

Separating the  $\delta^{13}$ C values for the ammonites and benthic mollusks also reveals the previously unrecognized  $\delta^{13}$ C anomaly at the K-Pg boundary. A negative  $\sim 3\%$  excursion has long been observed globally at the boundary (e.g. Molina et al., 2006; Schulte et al., 2010). This pattern is



**Figure 2.3.** Crossplots of  $\delta^{13}$ C and  $\delta^{18}$ O for both the UW and PRI collections, separated by taxonomic group. No significant or strong correlations were found between  $\delta^{13}$ C and  $\delta^{18}$ O for any subset or the total data set.



**Figure 2.4.** (Top) Carbon isotopic ( $\delta^{13}$ C) records in stratigraphic context, separated by taxonomic group, for both UW and PRI collections. Average ammonite and benthic populations for each collection are statistically distinct. (Bottom) Average  $\delta^{13}$ C values for horizons (see text for definition) with both ammonites and benthic mollusks present. Every horizon has lower  $\delta^{13}$ C for ammonites than benthic mollusks.

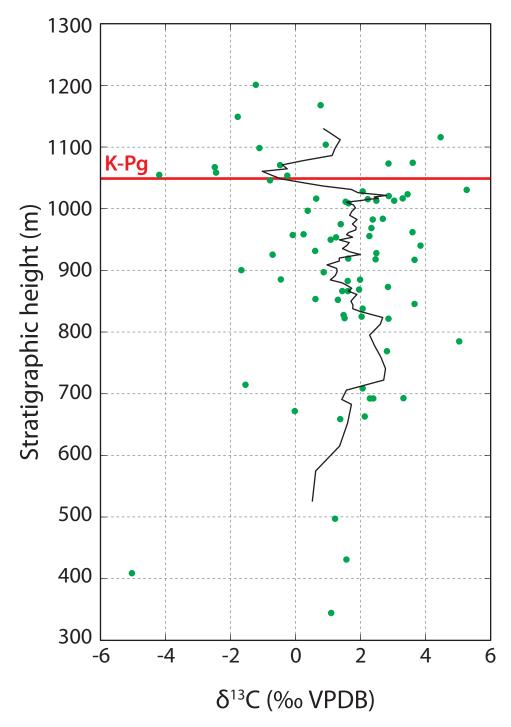
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	Amm. δ <sup>13</sup> C (‰)	n	Ben. δ <sup>13</sup> C (‰)	n	$\Delta\delta^{13}C_{ben-amm}$ (%0)	Strat (m)	DIC δ <sup>13</sup> C (‰)	Amm. C <sub>meta</sub> (%)	DIC δ <sup>13</sup> C (‰)	Amm. <i>C<sub>meta</sub></i> (%)
PRI Collection Individual Horizons	-3.0	2	2.1	1	5.1	709	1.4	39	-0.6	31
	-1.9	2	2.8	2	4.8	769	2.2	36	0.1	28
	-1.8	1	3.7	1	5.5	845	3.2	38	1.0	31
	-4.1	1	2.8	1	7.0	873	2.3	47	0.1	41
	-4.5	4	1.6	2	6.2	883	0.9	45	-1.1	39
	-3.1	1	0.8	2	3.8	885	0.0	34	-1.9	26
	-7.2	1	0.9	4	8.1	897	0.1	58	-1.8	53
	-0.3	1	3.7	1	4.0	917	3.2	31	1.0	22
	-2.4	1	-0.7	1	1.7	925	-1.7	23	-3.4	13
	-3.1	1	1.4	1	4.5	975	0.7	37	-1.3	29
	-1.1	1	0.4	4	1.5	997	-0.5	20	-2.3	10
	-2.0	1	2.2	2	4.2	1015	1.6	34	-0.5	25
Average=	-2.9	17	1.8	22	4.7	-	1.1	36.8	-0.9	28.9
UW Collection Individual Horizons	1.8	1	2.9	1	1.1	408	2.3	17	0.2	7
	0.1	4	3.0	2	2.9	423	2.4	26	0.3	17
	-2.1	3	0.6	1	2.7	453	-0.2	27	-2.1	18
	-0.1	2	2.6	2	2.7	588	2.0	25	-0.1	16
	-1.5	1	3.9	2	5.4	699	3.5	37	1.2	30
	0.2	2	1.4	3	1.2	748	0.6	18	-1.3	7
	-1.2	3	-0.4	2	0.8	769	-1.4	16	-3.1	6
	-3.0	1	1.9	2	4.9	791	1.3	38	-0.8	30
	-1.3	4	1.3	5	2.6	820	0.5	26	-1.4	16
	-0.8	2	2.1	2	2.9	826	1.4	27	-0.6	18
Average=	-0.8	23	1.9	22	2.7	-	1.2	25.8	-0.8	16.5
UW & PRI Horizons=	-1.9	40	1.9	44	3.8	-	1.2	31.8	-0.8	23.2

not observed in our data if ammonite  $\delta^{13}$ C values are included, as they bias average Cretaceous  $\delta^{13}$ C values in a negative direction. The boundary negative excursion is disguised by their disappearance. Figure 4.5 shows the benthic  $\delta^{13}$ C record for the PRI collection with a running average showing a negative 3‰ excursion. The seven point running average was calculated using horizon averages of benthic values, weighted by the number of samples at each horizon; excursion presence is insensitive to the weighting or the length of the running average.

## **Discussion**

The stable isotopic data show that ammonites have comparable  $\delta^{18}O$  values but lower  $\delta^{13}C$  values than benthic mollusks. With similar  $\delta^{18}O$  values it is most likely that these organisms are living in water of similar temperature, if not living in precisely the same environment. Three hypotheses, outlined below, are capable of explaining this offset under the assumption that mollusks secrete their shell under equilibrium conditions. Two are based on different living environments, specifically ammonites exploring  $\delta^{13}C$  water depth gradients or methane seep localities, while the third involves the incorporation of metabolic, or respired,  $CO_2$  into the extrapalial fluid (EPF) used to generate shell material. Kinetic isotopic effects could plausibly explain differences in  $\Delta\delta^{13}C_{\text{ben-amm}}$ , but would usually influence  $\delta^{18}O$  values as well, which is not present in our data sets (McConnaughey, 1989a, 1989b). Most mollusks are thought to precipitate shell in equilibrium with surrounding water, though it may be more accurate to say they secrete their shell in equilibrium with the EPF, which may be significantly altered from seawater by respired  $CO_2$  (Gillikin et al., 2007). It is unlikely that the lower  $\delta^{13}C$  values are a consequence of diagenesis, as the  $\delta^{18}O$  values are much more prone to alteration due to the relative amounts of carbon and oxygen in diagenetic fluids (Banner and Hanson, 1990).

Environmental differences- In the modern ocean there are vertical gradients in dissolved inorganic carbon (DIC)  $\delta^{13}$ C where the surface can range up to 3‰ higher than at ~500 meters depth, though



**Figure** .5. Horizon average  $\delta^{13}$ C values for benthic mollusks (points) and 7-point running average (line). Negative  $\sim 3\%_0$  excursion is coincident with the K-Pg boundary.

the magnitude of the difference is more commonly less than 2% for the last million years (Hodell et al., 2003). Given that the average  $\Delta\delta^{13}C_{ben-amm}$  observed was 3.7%, it is possible that a greater-than-modern  $\delta^{13}C_{DIC}$  gradient existed during the Late Cretaceous in this specific location, but foraminiferal differences in the South Atlantic for the latest Cretaceous record a 2% maximum carbon isotope gradient (D'Hondt, 2005). The western interior of North America may have had a higher  $\delta^{13}C_{DIC}$  gradient of 3% (Fisher and Arthur, 2002) but is likely to have been more stratified. Higher gradients may still exist, and have been recorded in the past, including at the Permo-Triassic boundary (Song et al., 2013). Given the range of  $\Delta\delta^{13}C_{ben-amm}$  values, some of the smaller differences could reasonably be explained by a lower  $\delta^{13}C_{DIC}$  ammonite habitat, but the larger differences present a significant challenge to this hypothesis. Additionally, we do not see higher  $\delta^{18}O_{shell}$  values in ammonites that would reflect them living in a cooler, deeper environment. In the interest of completeness, it is theoretically possible that ammonites could be living in brackish water heavily influenced by terrestrial runoff, but there is no reliable evidence to date of ammonites living in anything but true marine environments.

Metabolic CO<sub>2</sub>- Modern mollusks have occasionally been recorded as incorporating significant amounts of depleted carbon in the form of metabolic CO<sub>2</sub> into their EPF, where it mixes with the DIC pool of the EPF reducing the overall  $\delta^{13}C_{shell}$ . This effect may occur in most marine mollusks, but if so, it is likely a small contribution, somewhere less than ten percent (McConnaughey and Gillikin, 2008). There are often fluid pathways connecting the EPF with ambient water, reducing the impact of respired CO<sub>2</sub>, but in some cases it appears water, and consequently DIC, exchange across these pathways can be reduced or the relative metabolic rate increased (Gillikin et al., 2009, 2005). In this situation the percentage of respired CO<sub>2</sub> contributing to the DIC pool can grow substantially larger than 10%, allowing the low  $\delta^{13}$ C of respired CO<sub>2</sub> to significantly reduce  $\delta^{13}$ C<sub>DIC</sub> of the EPF, and consequently the shell material precipitated from it.

If we assume that the high  $\Delta\delta^{13}C_{ben-amm}$  is a consequence of respired CO<sub>2</sub> contribution, it is straightforward to model the percentage contribution of respired CO<sub>2</sub> ( $C_{meta}$ ) if the  $\delta^{13}C_{DIC}$  of ambient seawater is known. A reasonable assumption is to use the  $\delta^{13}C_{shell}$  of bivalves and gastropods as a proxy for oceanic  $\delta^{13}C_{DIC}$ , either by assuming there is no respired CO<sub>2</sub> contribution, or assuming that there is an average 10% contribution of respired CO<sub>2</sub> as McConnaughey and Gillikin (2008) demonstrate may be common for mollusks. Equation 1 below (McConnaughey and Gillikin, 2008; McConnaughey et al., 1997), describes the relationship between these components:

$$C_{metabolic} = \frac{\delta^{13}C_{shell} - \varepsilon_{aragonite} - \delta^{13}C_{DIC}}{\delta^{13}C_{metabolic} - \delta^{13}C_{DIC}}$$

Where  $\varepsilon_{aragonite}$  is the  $\delta^{13}$ C fractionation between DIC and aragonite (Romanek et al., 1992). The value of  $\delta^{13}$ C<sub>metabolic</sub> in the benthic mollusks can be estimated by examining modern examples, usually between -18‰ and -20‰ (e.g. Gillikin et al., 2007). Modern *Nautilus*, a potential analog for ammonites, has been recorded with a similar value, -17 ± 2‰ (Crocker et al., 1985). Given these values for benthic mollusks, we can solve for  $\delta^{13}$ C<sub>DIC</sub>, rearranging equation 1 to equation 2:

$$\delta^{13}C_{DIC} = \frac{\delta^{13}C_{shell} - \varepsilon_{aragonite} - (C_{metabolic} \times \delta^{13}C_{metabolic})}{1 - C_{metabolic}}$$

When  $C_{meta}$  is equal to 0, equation 1 simplifies to  $\delta^{13}C_{DIC} = \delta^{13}C_{shell}$  -  $\varepsilon_{aragonite}$ . Estimated  $\delta^{13}C_{DIC}$  values using this method are recorded in Table 2.1, for both benthic  $C_{meta} = 0\%$  and 10% cases. This  $\delta^{13}C_{DIC}$  value can be used with equation 1 for ammonites to determine the metabolic carbon contribution necessary to generate the measured  $\Delta\delta^{13}C_{ben-amm}$  at any stratigraphic horizon. Cases where  $C_{meta} = 0\%$ , instead of 10%, for benthic organisms produce lower estimates of  $C_{meta}$  for ammonites.

Calculated values of  $C_{meta}$  for ammonites were variable when values for individual horizons were examined (~10-50%, see Table 2.1), but averages were between 17% and 37% for the two collections. Using the averages for all data in both collections ammonite  $C_{meta}$  was calculated as

between 24% and 33% for benthic  $C_{meta}$  values ranging from 0-10%. All of these ammonite  $C_{meta}$ values are within published ranges for vital effects in marine mollusks, suggesting that the contribution of respired carbon to ammonite shell material is a plausible explanation for the discrepancy between ammonites and benthic mollusks. A potential modern analog, Nautilus, does not show a significant difference between their  $\delta^{13}C_{\text{shell}}$  signal and that of other benthic organisms (Crocker et al., 1985; Taylor and Ward, 1983; Zakharov et al., 2006). As described above, modern benthic mollusks have, in some cases, been shown to display substantially negative  $\delta^{13}C_{\text{shell}}$  values that are attributed to higher  $C_{meta}$  contributions. Some modern bivalves have shown a dependence of  $\delta^{13}C_{\text{shell}}$  on body size or age (Gillikin et al., 2009) which can be explained by some combination of an increased production of metabolic carbon from increased tissue volume and a decrease in mixing between EPF and ambient ocean water. It is possible that ammonites generate greater amounts of respired CO<sub>2</sub> due to increased metabolic activity, possibly due to an active swimming and feeding lifestyle when compared with benthic mollusks. Due to the morphology and sampling restrictions on the ammonites, samples were generally obtained from later in life positions on the shells, in contrast to fossil bivalves, which were sampled towards the earliest life stages (near the umbo). This potential age difference, and the generally larger ammonite body size, could also explain the higher  $C_{meta}$  values inferred from the lower  $\delta^{13}C_{\text{shell}}$ . However, ontogenetic stable isotope studies of ammonites have generally not shown decreasing patterns of ontogenetic  $\delta^{13}C_{\text{shell}}$ , and in some cases record an increase in  $\delta^{13}C_{\text{shell}}$  (Fatherree et al., 1998; Lukeneder et al., 2010).

Methane seep influence- Cold methane seeps bring depleted ( $\delta^{13}$ C) organic carbon to the ocean floor, which can influence the local DIC pool around the seep. This negative  $\delta^{13}$ C source could plausibly explain a depleted ammonite  $\delta^{13}$ C<sub>shell</sub>. Landman et al. (2012) observed that ammonite shells have been found in direct association with methane seep environments. Geologic and paleobiological data both support the interpretation of their environment as a cold methane seep, as does the depleted carbon signal from the inorganic carbonates. Lower  $\delta^{13}$ C<sub>shell</sub> values for the seep associated

ammonites, when compared with nearby non-seep ammonites could be explained by the seep ammonites actively participating in the chemoautotrophically driven ecosystem. The range of ammonite  $\delta^{13}C_{shell}$  values observed in our study is within the upper range of those observed for seep ammonites (-13.7% to 0.7%), but also in lower range of the non-seep ammonites (-1.8% to 3.4%) from Landman et al. (2012). Many of our ammonite samples are more depleted than the non-seep ammonite range from Landman et al. (2012).

On Seymour Island specifically, where all of the measured samples were collected, there is little clear evidence for methane seeps. On Snow Hill Island (Fig. 1), bivalves commonly associated with methane seeps (Eduardo Olivero, personal communication) have been found in association with well cemented mounds that are typical of preserved methane seep environments. The sediments on Snow Hill Island are stratigraphically equivalent to, or slightly below, the lowest deposits on Seymour Island, and demonstrate the potential of cold methane seep production in this area. While methane seeps could have been present contemporaneously to deposition on Seymour Island, there is no geologic evidence that the fossils were preserved in such an environment.

Slight decreases in  $\delta^{13}C_{shell}$  have been observed in modern benthic mollusks (mussels) living exclusively at methane seep environments (Paull et al., 1989). Despite living on the seep itself, and feeding on highly depleted organic matter, the  $\delta^{13}C_{shell}$  was only marginally depleted, ranging from - 3% to -8%. In contrast, their organic tissues were strongly influenced by the methane seep organic carbon, as almost all sampled tissues were below -70%. The small effect on the shell isotopic values is likely because the local DIC pool is only marginally influenced by the exchange with the depleted carbon, and dominated by more typical ocean DIC values.

The range of  $\delta^{13}$ C observed in these modern bivalves (Paull et al., 1989) is similar to that observed in the Seymour Island ammonites, and could be a potential explanation for the observed  $\Delta\delta^{13}$ C<sub>ben-amm</sub>. For ammonites to preserve depleted  $\delta^{13}$ C<sub>shell</sub> value, but similar  $\delta^{18}$ O<sub>shell</sub> values, they

must live in water of similar temperature to the bivalves with which they were preserved, but with different  $\delta^{13}C_{DIC}$  values, assuming no metabolic carbon contribution. In this scenario, ammonites could be moving between the depositional area where benthic mollusks are found and a methane seep environment, but spending a substantial portion of their life cycle at the methane seep, as their  $\delta^{13}C_{\text{shell}}$  values are similar to mollusks living their entire life on the seep. This lifestyle could reflect a feeding preference for methane seeps, but a need to leave for more oxygenated waters. Alternatively, the ammonites could live exclusively at the methane seep, but their empty shells could be transported after their death, leading to their deposition with the benthic mollusks. In either case, large transport distances, either laterally or vertically in the water column, would be unlikely due to the good correspondence in water temperature ( $\delta^{18}O$ ) with benthic mollusks and the size of the ammonite shells (Wani et al., 2005).

### Conclusion

Ammonites from Seymour Island show a significant offset in  $\delta^{13}C_{\text{shell}}$  when compared with benthic mollusks. Given that many studies involving different taxonomic groups find a notable  $\Delta\delta^{13}C_{\text{ben-amm}}$ , we believe the most likely vital effect is the contribution of metabolic carbon. Though we cannot rule out the possibility, it would be unlikely that ammonites in all of these locations all lived in methane seep environments and were transported or migrated to other locations before dying. In addition to the commonness of this pattern, the comparable  $\delta^{18}O_{\text{shell}}$  values also suggest a metabolic carbon contribution is the most parsimonious interpretation. We believe that an elevated  $C_{meta}$  can, at least partially, explain the results from Landman et al. (2012). We do not dispute that the organisms in their study were all found on, and likely living in, a methane seep environment. From modern studies (Paull et al., 1989), even benthic mollusks living on top of seeps only see a mild methane carbon contribution to their shell carbonate. If the depleted carbon isotope values of seep ammonites were caused by depleted DIC values, the benthic mollusks living closest to the seep

should have a greater depletion that the nektic ammonites, the opposite of that observed by Landman et al. (2012). If the one significant outlier from the ammonite and benthic groups is removed, the populations also have means with statistically significant differences (-3.5‰ and -1.2% from ammonites and benthic mollusks; Students t-test p-value = 0.003).

Modern Spirula have also been shown to have an increased metabolic carbon contribution to their shell material despite their small size (Price et al., 2009) as have Sepia (Rexfort and Mutterlose, 2006) and fossil belemnites (Wierzbowski, 2002). Their internal shell may slow or reduce the connection between the EPF and the sea water, which one would predict to increase *C<sub>meta</sub>*. We feel it is unlikely that ammonites would have a similar internal shell due to the complex shell ornamentation on many species, and lack of fossil evidence, though ammonite soft tissue preservation is very rare. More plausibly, many ammonite species have been interpreted as active swimmers (see Ritterbush et al., 2014 for a review), and an active swimming and feeding lifestyle could substantially increase their metabolic rate and amount of respired CO<sub>2</sub> produced. This signal would be expected to be recorded as more negative  $\delta^{13}$ C values in the shell material unless the exchange rate between EPF and ambient sea water was increased. Unfortunately, with the exception of a few examples of *Diplomoceras*, ammonites found on Seymour Island are relatively compressed, smooth, planaspiral forms that are more hydrodynamic and more likely to be active swimmers (Ritterbush and Bottjer, 2012; Westermann, 1996). Higher energy demands could increase the susceptibility of adult ammonites to a major event like the end Cretaceous bolide impact when compared with the low energy demands of *Nautilus* (Boutilier et al., 1996). This affect would compound the vulnerability of ammonites planktonic egg forms compared with the benthic embryonic stage of *Nautilus* (Ward, 1996). A better understanding of this  $\delta^{13}$ C anomaly could help contribute to our understanding of ammonite lifestyle, and their possibly their susceptibility to the end Cretaceous mass extinction.

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Chapter 3. Extinction patterns,  $\delta^{18}O$  trends, and magnetostratigraphy from a southern high-latitude Cretaceous – Paleogene section: links with Deccan volcanism (Tobin et al., 2012)

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#### <u>Abstract</u>

Although abundant evidence now exists for a massive bolide impact coincident with the Cretaceous-Paleogene (K-Pg) mass extinction event (~65.5 Ma), the relative importance of this impact as an extinction mechanism is still the subject of debate. On Seymour Island, Antarctic Peninsula, the López de Bertodano Formation yields one of the most expanded K-Pg boundary sections known. Using a new chronology from magnetostratigraphy, and isotopic data from carbonate-secreting macrofauna, we present a high-resolution, high-latitude paleotemperature record spanning this time interval. We find two prominent warming events synchronous with the three main phases of Deccan Traps flood volcanism, and the onset of the second is contemporaneous with a local extinction that pre-dates the bolide impact. What has been termed the K-Pg extinction is potentially the sum of multiple, independent events, at least at high latitudes.

## Introduction

Five major mass extinction events punctuate the history of animal life on earth. Of these, the Cretaceous-Paleogene (K-Pg) extinction is the most recent and well-studied. Like all mass extinctions, the K-Pg event was originally interpreted as a gradual event, but the discovery of unmistakable evidence of a large bolide impact with the Earth essentially coincident with the paleontologically recognized K-Pg mass extinction (Alvarez et al., 1980) led to a change in this paradigm. Today, more than three decades since the Alvarez et al. (1980) publication, a large

number of researchers are convinced that the bolide impact, located near present day Chicxulub, Mexico (Hildebrand et al., 1991), was either solely or largely responsible for the K-Pg extinction (Schulte et al., 2010). This view, however, has never been universal (Archibald et al., 2010; Courtillot and Fluteau, 2010), and reported evidence for impacts at the late Devonian (Playford et al., 1984), end Permian (Becker et al., 2001), and end Triassic extinctions (Olsen et al., 2002) have been disputed (respectively, Farley et al., 2005; McLaren, 1985; Tanner et al., 2008). Another candidate that may cause mass extinction, flood basalt volcanism, has been claimed to demonstrate strong temporal correlation with all mass extinction events over the past ~360 Ma, including the Deccan Traps large igneous province at the K-Pg boundary (Alvarez, 2003; Courtillot and Renne, 2003). Global warming, with associated climatic complications, provides a likely causal link between flood volcanic episodes at the Permian-Triassic (Siberian Traps) and Triassic-Jurassic (Central Atlantic Magmatic Province – CAMP) mass extinctions (Kump et al., 2005; Whiteside et al., 2010). Another hypothesis suggests that both flood volcanism and bolide impact combined are necessary for a major mass extinction (Arens and West, 2008; White and Saunders, 2005).

If flood basalt volcanism on a scale equivalent to the Siberian Traps or CAMP was indeed a mechanism causing mass extinction of species, there should be some signature of this during the emplacement of the Deccan Traps. To date, the geologically short interval during which the extinction, volcanism, and the impact occurred has confounded efforts to separate the biotic effects of Deccan Traps volcanism and the Chicxulub impact on end Cretaceous extinctions. The Deccan Traps erupted in three discrete pulses (Chenet et al., 2009; Jay et al., 2009), the second of which extruded a volume of basalt comparable to the Siberian Traps or CAMP events (Courtillot and Renne, 2003) sometime during the 400 yra prior to the K-Pg boundary. The outcrop sections on Seymour Island, Antarctica, provide an ideal place to examine the biotic impacts of Deccan volcanism due to their expanded nature and high paleolatitude location, allowing high temporal resolution in a location with increased sensitivity to climate change.

## Field Setting

Seymour Island is located off the northeast of the Antarctic Peninsula (Fig. 3.1) at 64°S. It contains the stratigraphically highest exposures in the James Ross Island Group, well-exposed backarc basin marine deposits that span the Early Cretaceous through the Early Paleogene. The basin has experienced minimal tectonic modification in the past 80 Ma, as evidenced by minor homoclinal tilt (5°-9°) and well-preserved fossils. Reconstructed paleolatitude (62°) is similar to current latitude and is in agreement with plate reconstructions (Torsvik et al., 2008), making Seymour Island one of the highest-paleolatitude K-Pg boundary outcrops. This location makes it ideal for examining climate changes associated with the K-Pg extinction, since polar amplification is likely to produce larger and more detectable temperature changes at high latitudes (Holland and Bitz, 2003; Manabe and Stouffer, 1980).

On Seymour Island, the biostratigraphically determined Maastrichtian through lower
Danian interval is represented by the López de Bertodano Formation (LBF) which is
uncomformably overlain by the Sobral Formation of Paleocene age. The LBF is comprised of over
1000 meters of predominantly immature mudstones with interspersed sandy and concretionary
layers. Ten numbered informal lithostratigraphic units have been defined (Macellari, 1988, 1986)
and are used here. This study focuses on the upper "molluscan units" (Units 7-10), which become
increasingly fossiliferous through Units 9 and 10. Comprised mostly of siltstones with a larger
percentage of sand and concretionary layers than the lower units, these upper units are interpreted
as transgressive over the lower group, deposited in shelf and slope facies at water depths between
100 and 200 meters (Macellari, 1988; Olivero, 2012). Horizons containing early-diagenetic
carbonate concretions, often rich in fossils, occur throughout at roughly ten-meter intervals.

Although modern freeze-thaw cycling can disturb the structural integrity of finer-grained and

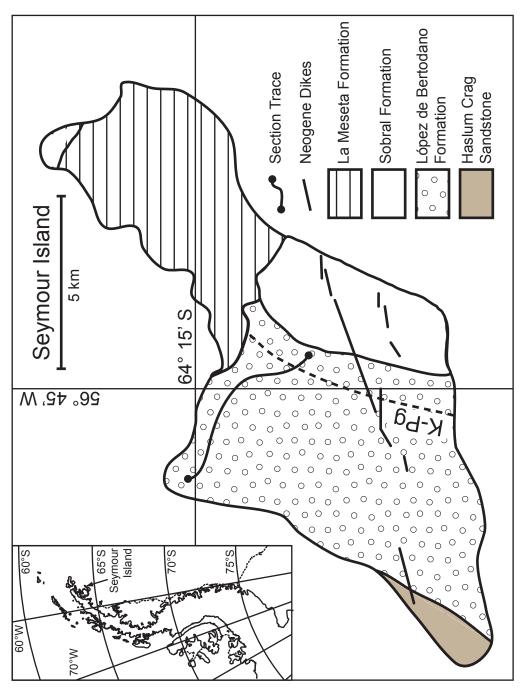


Figure 3.1. Map of Seymour Island and its location on the Antarctic Peninsula (inset) showing location of geologic formations and sampling trace, adapted from Dutton et al. (2007). GPS coordinates for sampling trace are available in Appendix 3.1.

loosely-consolidated mudstones, many of these indurated concretions retain their original orientation with respect to bedding and are suitable for paleomagnetic analysis.

Most fossils exhibit outstanding preservational characteristics, including the primary mineralogy and undeformed three-dimensional shape. Most mollusks, with the exception of originally calcitic pycnodonte bivalves, preserve original aragonite, which is recrystallized easily by heating or any form of diagenesis. Its presence is used as a guide for the collection of paleomagnetic and geochemical samples with minimal levels of thermochemical alteration (Filmer and Kirschvink, 1989; Ward et al., 1997).

The K-Pg boundary has been located between Units 9 and 10 of the upper LBF through various means in the past and is currently defined by the first occurrence of Paleogene dinocyst fossils that are essentially coincident with an iridium enhancement (Elliot et al., 1994). Apart from the iridium anomaly, global correlation of the late Cretaceous interval on Seymour Island has been hampered by the increasing endemism of macrofossils and microfossils in the Maastrichtian (Bowman et al., 2012; Macellari, 1987; Olivero and Medina, 2000) and an absence of any absolute age control from ash layers. While some age constraints from Sr isotope ratios on molluscan carbonate have been reported from the lower units of the LBF (McArthur et al., 2000), no age constraints prior to this study have been reported from the youngest units of this formation that approach and cross the K-Pg boundary.

### **Methods**

The results of this paper hinge on three separate analytical techniques which are detailed below. Fossil material and paleomagnetic samples were collected from stratigraphic sections largely following previous studies (Crame et al., 2004; Macellari, 1988; Olivero et al., 2007). A schematic sample path is mapped in Figure 3.1, and specific GPS coordinates are available in Appendix 3.1. Magnetostratigraphy was used to create a high resolution chronostratigraphic

framework that allows for global correlation. Oxygen isotope analysis of well preserved fossil shell carbonate was used to reconstruct sea water temperature over the same stratigraphic interval.

Additionally, fossil occurrence data from previous studies (Zinsmeister et al., 1989) were reexamined using modern statistical techniques that place confidence intervals on local multispecies extinctions (Wang and Marshall, 2004).

Paleomagnetism and Magnetostratigraphy- On Seymour Island, the LBF has deterred previous paleomagnetic studies primarily due to the tendency of the mudstone matrix to become unconsolidated during annual freeze-thaw cycles. It was thought that this annual surface disruption would scramble the orientation of any magnetic particles capable of preserving a stable natural remanent magnetization (NRM). However, the formation contains numerous layers with early-diagenetic carbonate-cemented concretions that are demonstrably in place; many of these contain 3-dimensionally preserved macrofossils, implying that the cementation occurred during early diagenesis before sedimentary compaction. Such concretions are thought to form by initial carbonate cementation at grain-grain contacts, a process that acts to lock in post-depositional remanent magnetizations without the inclination errors associated with sediment compaction (Filmer and Kirschvink, 1989; Ward et al., 1997). We targeted these concretionary horizons preferentially for paleomagnetic analysis. GPS coordinates for these major concretion beds, as well as their tie-in to the measured stratigraphic section, are given in Appendix 3.1. Digital images of sampling sites, as well as the magnetic data used in this study, are deposited at the Magnetic Information Consortium (MagIC) site (<a href="https://earthref.org/MAGIC/">https://earthref.org/MAGIC/</a>).

Thermochemical alteration is essentially absent in the Campanian through Maastrichtian strata of the James Ross Basin. Molluscan fossils from Seymour Island preserve nacreous metastable aragonite. Iridescence in molluscan nacre is a result of a diffraction grating effect of undenatured protein layers within the original aragonite (Lowenstam and Weiner, 1989), and its

presence in ancient rock constrains the peak burial metamorphic conditions to be less than  $\sim\!60^\circ$  C with none of the thermochemical alteration which often remagnetizes sediments. In addition, extensive petrographic work reported by Pirrie (1994) shows no evidence for smectite-illite transformation, conversion of clinoptilolite-heulandite to analcite, increased vitrinite reflectivity, or resetting of fission-tracks in apatite, all of which are consistent with shallow burial and no significant heating. Presumably, secondary magnetic components would be due to a combination of viscous remanent magnetizations (VRMs) or the formation of antiferromagnetic minerals during recent surface weathering. However, in sediments of this sort it is quite common for thermochemical changes during demagnetization at fairly low temperatures (< 300°C) to produce fine-grained ferrimagnetic phases during decomposition of clays and Fe-rich carbonate phases. Hence, it is necessary to use the hybrid demagnetization strategies noted below to identify and isolate secondary components, and much of the stable remanence appears to be preserved in ferrimagnetic minerals (such as biogenic magnetites) that have blocking temperatures < 300°C due to thermal-demagnetization reactions. These techniques have proven effective in past studies of Cretaceous sediments with similar lithologies (Filmer and Kirschvink, 1989; Ward et al., 1997).

We collected samples for paleomagnetic analysis as oriented blocks broken from concretions that were judged to be essentially in place (examples in Figure 3.2). As surface weathering can produce a trace of the antiferromagnetic mineral goethite, we took special care to crack open concretions in the field in search of those that were visibly the least altered. From these we cut a series of 1 cm-high, 2.54 cm diameter cylindrical samples for paleomagnetic and rock magnetic analyses. One or more specimen from each sample was analyzed at the California Institute of Technology paleomagnetics laboratory, using 3-axis DC-SQUID moment magnetometer systems housed in magnetically shielded rooms. The background noise of these instruments is less than 1 picoA·m², and they are equipped with the vacuum pick-and-place, computer-controlled sample handling systems that can measure up to 180 samples automatically. AF demagnetization was



Figure 3.2. Example of a typical concretion in the Lopéz de Bertodano Formation of Seymour Island, Antarctica. A horizontal line is first drawn on a flat surface, and a perpendicular line is drawn to it define together a planar surface. The azimuth of the horizontal line is measured in the right-handed fashion, both with magnetic and sun compass (where available). This particular example also shows the preservation of an ammonite, located about 15 m below the stratigraphically defined position of the K-Pg boundary. The pearly aragonite in the fossil is an indicator of the low levels of diagenesis in the samples. (C) Concretions are elongated, lenticular bodies that have been fractured during repeated freeze/fracture cycles in the Antarctic winter. This is an example of an elongate such concretion that was sampled for paleomagnetics. (D) example of an ammonite-bearing concretion just 1 m below the Cretaceous/Paleocene boundary at the Zinsmeister locality on Seymour Island.

performed with computer-controlled, three-axis coil systems fit in-line in the sample path. Thermal demagnetization was performed in commercially-built magnetically shielded furnaces that had been modified to minimize sample oxidation by using a gentle flow of  $N_2$  gas to expel air and measured twice after each set of demagnetization experiments, in the 'arrow-up' and 'arrow-down' modes (Kirschvink et al., 2008). This allows the averaging of eight sets of independent measurements, providing several additional measures of measurement reliability.

For paleomagnetic analyses, one sample was selected for detailed demagnetization from the sample set generated at each locality, and if this proved to unstably magnetized, additional subsamples were run through the demagnetization analysis, particularly from sites in critical intervals. Specimens were initially measured for NRM and then subjected to several low-temperature cooling cycles in liquid nitrogen (77 °K) to remove viscous components often held by magnetically-soft, multi-domain magnetite grains that might be present (Dunlop and Ozdemir, 1997; Halgedahl, 1993). This was then followed by low alternating-field (AF) demagnetization up to 6.9 mT in 2.3 mT steps to remove low coercivity magnetizations, such as those that might have been introduced during passage through airport X-ray machines. The samples were then treated with thermal demagnetization from ~60°C in 5 to 25°C increments up to 400°C, or until they displayed unstable, irreproducible behavior (examples shown in Fig. 3.3), presumably from the formation of magnetite from thermal decomposition of glauconitic clays. Demagnetization data were analyzed using principal component analysis (Kirschvink, 1980), using the now-standard criteria: Only demagnetization lines with MAD values below 10° and circles below 15° were included in the statistical analysis shown in Figure 3.4 and Table 3.1. Mean directions were obtained using Fisher statistics (Fisher, 1953). The method of McFadden & McElhinny (1988) was used for combining data from demagnetization lines and arcs, and the final iterative directions along the arc constraints were combined with lines for the stratigraphic polarity interpretation. The reversals test followed that of McFadden & McElhinny (1990).

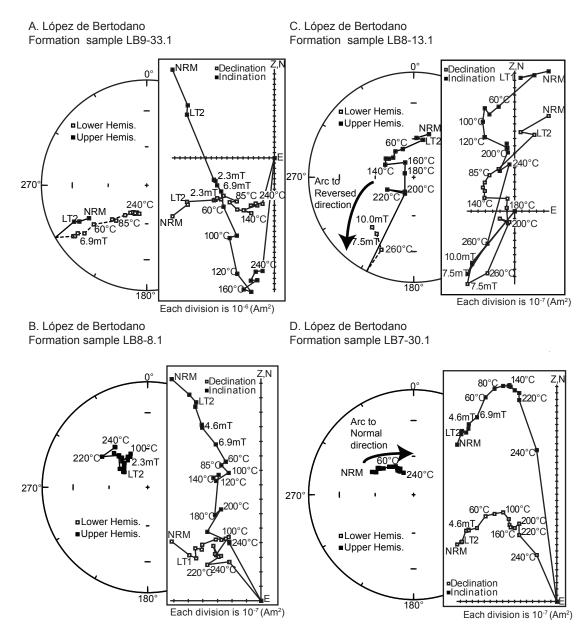
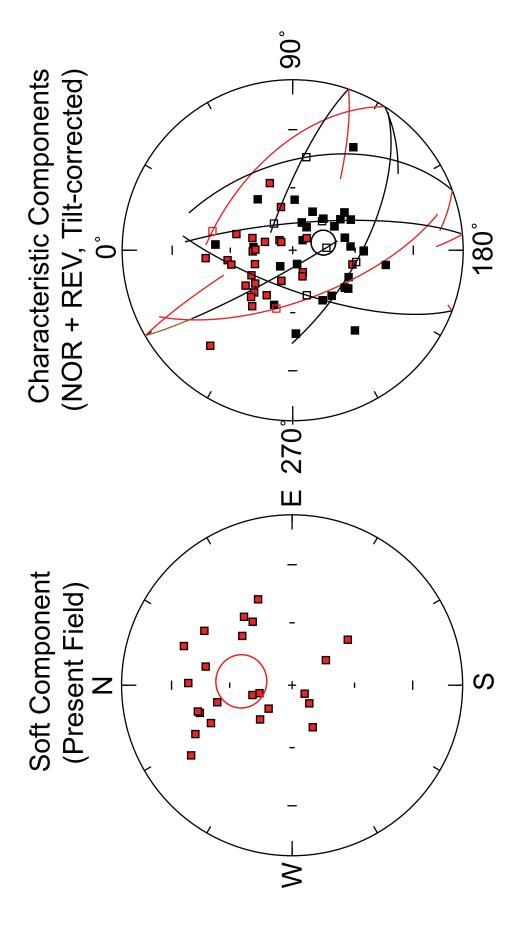


Figure 3.3. Typical demagnetization behavior of samples from the López de Bertodano Formation. Projections use tilt-corrected directions. (A) On sample LB9-33.1, low-temperature thermal cycling, low-field Alternating-Field, and relatively low thermal demagnetization removes a nearly vertical component interpreted to be of Recent origin, producing a clear directional arc to the South/Down component interpreted to be of late Cretaceous (chron 29R) origin. (Higher T data where the magnetization becomes unstable are not shown). (B) Sample LB8-8.1 is interpreted to be of Normal polarity, as the low-intensity demagnetization procedure removes a similarly steep up direction to that of LB9-33.1, yet it retains a North/Up direction well beyond this point. (C) Sample LB8-13.1 shows an example of a demagnetization circle heading towards the Reverse direction, but becomes unstable before isolating the stable component. D. Sample LB7-30.1 similarly shows a clear arc associated with the removal of a magnetically soft component, leading to the isolation of a characteristic direction interpreted as Normal polarity.



this study. Directions obtained from linear components are shown as solid squares, and the arc-segments show the constraints Figure 3.4. Equal-area plots showing the principal magnetic components isolated from the demagnetization data generated in from demagnetization planes (McFadden and McElhinny, 1988) with the last directional iteration indicated as a hollow square. Data for the cones of 95% confidence are shown in Table 3.1. Black (red) points are lower (upper) hemisphere.

## **Table 3.1.**

Paleomagnetic results from Units 5-10 of the López de Bertodano Formation on Seymour Island, Antarctic Peninsula. ' $N_{eff}$ ' indicates the effective number of samples in the analysis, and numbers indicated like '(L, C)' give the number of individual demagnetization Lines and Circles, respectively ( $N_{eff}$  = L + ½P (McFadden and McElhinny, 1988)). NOR = Normal, REV = Reversed magnetic field direction; PLF = Present local field. R=mean resultant vector length;  $\alpha$ 95=radius of 95% confidence cone around mean ;  $\kappa$ =Fisher precision parameter (Fisher, 1953). dp,dm=confidence limits on pole for semiminor/semimajor axes respectively.  $G_r$ =Fisher test statistic.

LBF Units 5-10, Seymour Island, Summary of Fisherian Statistics										
	N (eff.)	R	Decl.	Incl.	α95	K				
NOR + REV	67.5 (60, 15)	61.5	27.8	-77.1	5.45°	11.04				
	tilt corr:	61.5	352.5	-73.1	5.45°	11.03				
NOR	32 (30, 4)	29.6	27.8	-74.7	7.31°	13.07				
	tilt corr:	29.6	356.9	-71.1	7.31°	13.05				
REV	35.5 (30, 11)	31.9	208.1	79.6	8.21°	9.58				
	tilt corr:	31.9	166.9	75.0	8.20°	9.59				
PLF	38	31.8	4.2	-72.5	10.43°	5.94				
The combined tilt-corrected pole is at 83.3° N. 267.5° E. (dp. dm) = (9.8°.										

The combined tilt-corrected pole is at 83.3° N, 267.5° E, (dp, dm) =  $(9.8^{\circ}, 10.7^{\circ})$ , paleolatitude  $-62^{\circ} \pm 9^{\circ}$ 

The hypothesis that the Normal and Reversed directions are antiparallel cannot be rejected at the 95% confidence level (Gr = 1.23, Chi^2, p. value 0.542), passing the McFadden & McElhinny reversal test in category "C" (Antiparallel angle = 4.9°; Critical angle = 10.7°).

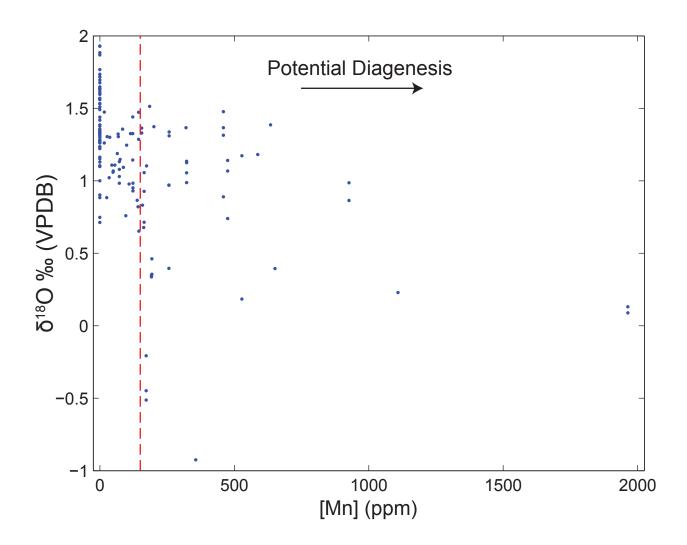
Rock magnetism- A series of rock-magnetic analyses were also performed on representative samples of each lithology, using routines implemented on the RAPID consortium magnetometers (Kirschvink et al., 2008). The NRM of these specimens was demagnetized in 3-axis alternating fields in 21 logarithmically distributed steps between 2.1 and 80 mT. This was followed by a 20step progressive ARM acquisition in 100 mT AF fields along the vertical axis with a DC biasing field between 0 and 1 mT. The maximum ARM was then AF demagnetized in the same logarithmic sequence used on the NRM, except along the vertical axis only and up to the maximum vertical AF field of 158.4 mT (28 steps). The sample was then given a vertical-axis IRM of 100 mT and AF demagnetized in the same 28 steps. An IRM acquisition series was then run with the same logarithmic sequence, but up to the maximum IRM pulse field of 350 mT (36 steps). In turn, this saturation IRM was AF demagnetized in the 28 step sequence up to 158.4 mT. Finally, the sample was given an IRM of 350 mT, the polarity of the pulse was reversed, and it was subjected to a 36step DC backfield demagnetization. This set of experiments allows the construction of moderately high-resolution coercivity spectra, as well as the determination of parameters, including IRM and ARM strength, coercivity of remanence, the Cisowski (1981) magnetostatic interaction parameter R, and ARM susceptibility. This total  $\sim\!200$ -step experiment takes  $\sim\!4.5$  hours per specimen. MATLAB scripts used to analyze the rock magnetic data are available through links on the RAPID website (www.rapid.gps.caltech.edu).

Paleotemperature- Fossil shell carbonate from ammonites, gastropods, bivalves and echinoids was collected for isotopic analysis of  $\delta^{13}$ C and  $\delta^{18}$ O. Carbonate material was powdered using a Merchantek Micromill for precise sampling of shell material. Powdered material was analyzed using a Kiel III Carbonate Device attached to a Delta Plus isotope ratio mass spectrometer. Samples (0.020 – 0.100 mg) were reacted at 70°C with 100% anhydrous phosphoric acid and analyzed interspersed with internal lab calcite standards calibrated to NBS-18 (-23.01% VPBD) and NBS-19

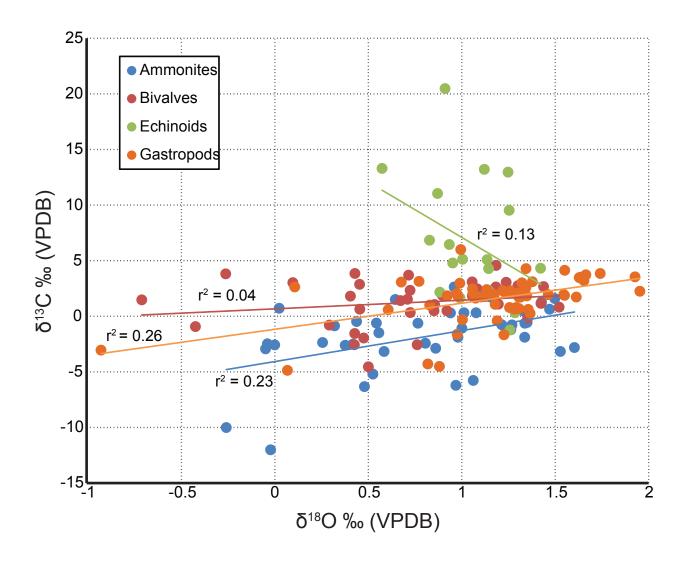
(-2.20% VPDB) for  $\delta^{18}$ O and NBS-19 (+1.95% VPBD) and LSVEC (-46.6% VPBD) for  $\delta^{13}$ C. Fractionation factors for aragonite and calcite at 70°C follow Kim et al. (2007a).

Despite surface confirmation of visibly unaltered material in thick section, the process of drilling into a sample may still entrain adjacent, altered material. The powder aliquot from each sample was analyzed for trace element concentrations, including Fe, Mg, Mn, Sr, and Na, using an ICP-AES. These data were used to assess diagenesis, both through comparison with published ranges of accepted, unaltered values (Brand and Morrison, 1987; Morrison and Brand, 1986) and through comparison with the  $\delta^{18}O$  data. Representative samples of aragonite fossil species common in the section were analyzed using X-Ray Diffraction (XRD) to confirm both primary mineralogy and diagenesis. All analyzed molluscan samples, with the exception of pycnodonte (calcite-secreting) bivalves, were confirmed as aragonite with no detectable calcite present.

The  $\delta^{18}$ O values in their stratigraphic context divided taxonomically can be seen in Figure 3.8. Each taxonomic group was analyzed for covariance between  $\delta^{18}$ O and concentration of Fe, Mg, Mn, Sr, and Na and compared with accepted ranges (example in Fig. 3.5). As many as half of all shells (n=168) were found to be higher than the thresholds for Fe (within limits n=83) and Mn (n=91), a third for Mg (n=127), and a fifth for Sr (n=149) and Na (n=139). Culling the data by removing shells outside the limits for each trace element does not alter the overall  $\delta^{18}$ O pattern. Similarly, the  $\delta^{18}$ O patterns for each taxonomic group analyzed individually are largely indistinguishable from the whole data set provided stratigraphic coverage was sufficient (e.g. echinoids have little stratigraphic coverage and ammonites are not found in the Danian). Cross plots of  $\delta^{13}$ C v.  $\delta^{18}$ O showed no significant statistical trends for any taxonomic group (Fig. 3.6). Values of  $r^2$  ranged from .26 (gastropods) to .009 (bivalves). Though there were large variations in  $\delta^{13}$ C for echinoids and ammonites, removal of shells with "anomalous"  $\delta^{13}$ C values from the data set had no significant effect on reconstructed paleotemperature patterns. Due to the lack of significant



**Figure 3.5.** Relationship between  $\delta^{18}O$  and [Mg] for aragonitic gastropods as an example of typical diagenetic assessment. The diagenesis window is as determined by Morrison and Brand (1986).



**Figure 3.6.** Cross plot of  $\delta^{18}$ O v.  $\delta^{13}$ C for the four taxonomic groups studied. No significant trends were observed in any taxonomic groups. Echinoids displayed substantially different  $\delta^{13}$ C values for similar  $\delta^{18}$ O values.

covariance between any individual trace element and  $\delta^{18}O$  for any taxonomic group and the similarities between all versions of the culled data and the full data set, we reconstructed the paleotemperature record using the full data set, though the data set culled based on trace element concentrations is also displayed.

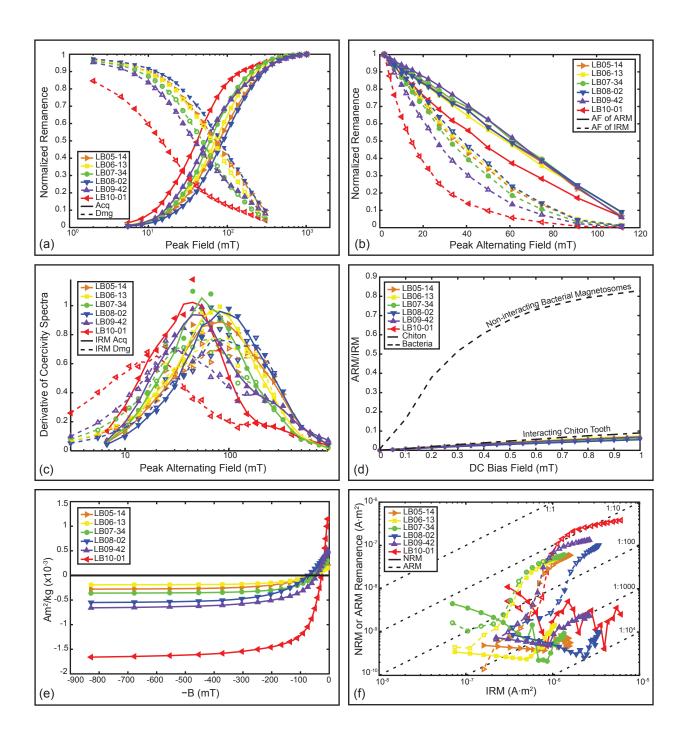
Paleotemperature estimates were made following the procedures of Kim et al. (2007b) and Kim and O'Neil (1997) for aragonite and calcite respectively. Organisms generally deposit carbonate under equilibrium conditions with respect to seawater (Weiner and Dove, 2003). For the Cretaceous, this seawater is assumed to be -1.0% (VSMOW) based on modeled ocean chemistry given a predominantly ice-free world (Shackleton and Kennett, 1975). The paleotemperature record through the section was created by taking the mean of multiple measurements on each shell, and then taking the mean of all averaged shell values in 100 kyr bins. Uncertainties are reported as 1.96 x standard error, equivalent to a 95% confidence interval (Altman and Bland, 2005). The uncertainties for time bins containing only a single shell were omitted, as the standard deviation could only be calculated for intra-shell variation, a significant underestimation of the uncertainty. Extinctions- The molluscan units of the LBF contain a diverse array of invertebrate fauna and a smaller number of marine reptiles and other vertebrates. We analyzed 326 occurrences distributed among 77 species from Units 8-10 previously reported from Seymour Island (Zinsmeister et al., 1989). For a quantitative analysis of extinction patterns, we eliminated fauna with only one stratigraphic occurrence. The technique for assigning a confidence interval to an extinction event was first undertaken by Marshall (1995) in this locality using only ammonite species. Here we increase the sample size by utilizing other, largely molluscan, taxonomic groups as well. Extinction confidence intervals were calculated using the methods of Wang and Marshall (2004). We diverged from their methods in calculating confidence intervals without one of their recommended improvements to Marshall (1995), as we did not use the highest stratigraphic occurrence of any of

the included species as the lower bound of the extinction confidence interval. By employing this method, we could better test whether different extinction events were stratigraphically distinct.

### **Results**

magnetism- Results support the interpretation that the NRM is carried by fine-grained magnetite of detrital origin, although some antiferromagnetic minerals from weathering might also be involved. Rock magnetic data from a suite of six representative samples are summarized in Figure 3.7. In particular, the Lowrie-Fuller test on all samples is strongly positive, indicating the magnetic mineralogy of particles with Hc values below 100 mT is dominated by interacting single-domain to pseudo-single-domain behavior. Similarly, ARM acquisition characteristics indicate dominance by strongly interacting pseudo-single-domain to multi-domain particles. However, the median destructive field of IRM acquisition tends to be about 80 to 100 mT, arguing against a large multi-domain magnetite fraction, indicating that the PSD particles must be fairly elongate. This is in agreement with the liquid nitrogen cycling, which typically would unblock only 5-20% of the NRM. Less than 5% of the IRM is gained in fields above 300 mT, suggesting a minor fraction perhaps from antiferromagnetic minerals that typically are present from surface weathering. The Fuller test of NRM origin in all cases shows that the ARM values upon demagnetization are two to three orders of magnitude greater than the values of the NRM, which strongly suggests that the NRM is either detrital or chemical in nature.

Paleomagnetism and Magnetostratigraphy- Slightly over half of the paleomagnetic samples (63/112) could be characterized as well behaved, with most having at least one specimen which possessed a component of low AF and thermal stability similar to the present magnetic field direction in Antarctica, as well as one or two additional components of higher stability. Due to the overall shallow dip of the beds on Seymour Island and the similarity of the Late Cretaceous paleogeography for Antarctica to that of the recent, the Reversed characteristic directions (South



**Figure 3.7.** Rock magnetic characterization of representative lithological samples from concretions of the Lopéz de Bertodano Formation (LBF), members 5-10, from Seymour Island. Sample code and symbols are the same for all experiments. (A) Coercivity spectra determination of IRM acquisition and demagnetization (Cisowski, 1981). (B) Lowrie-Fuller ARM test. (C) Derivative of the IRM-based coercivity spectra. (D) ARM acquisition test for magnetostatic interactions (Kobayashi et al., 2006). (E) Backfield IRM. (F) Fuller test of the origin of NRM (Fuller et al., 1988).

and Down) are easy to separate from modern-day overprints (North and Up). However, Normal samples are difficult to distinguish from samples with strong recent overprints without using some other objective criteria. On the assumption that the intrinsic polarity of a sample does not depend on the magnetic mineralogy, we first analyzed the stability spectra of samples displaying Reversed components as a guide to the stability spectra of both the Normal and Reversed characteristic components. A Normal polarity interpretation therefore required demagnetization stability well into that displayed by the group of Reversely magnetized samples, aided sometimes by the presence of short great-circle arcs at the low demagnetization ends.

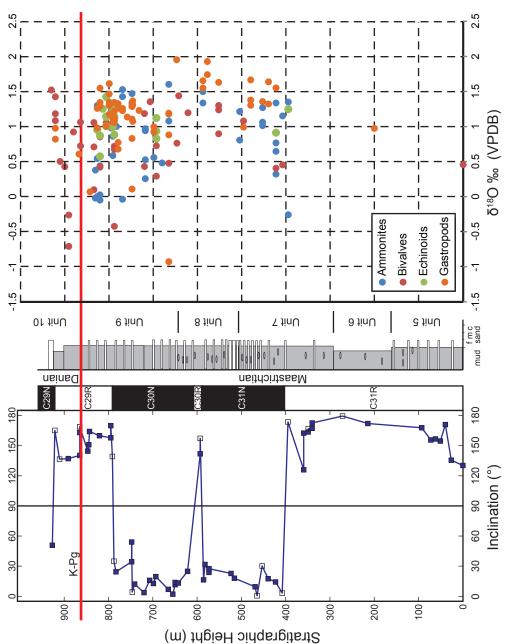
Representative orthogonal projections of the demagnetization trajectories are shown in Fig. 3.3, and all of the demagnetization data used for this paper are deposited in the Magnetic Information Consortium (MagIC) database. Below about 250 to 300°C, demagnetization trajectories generally are stable and linear, giving the character of the underlying characteristic component. Above these values, however, magnetic directions often become erratic, apparently picking up spurious directions even in the weak magnetic field (< 200 nT) of the shielded laboratory room. Monitoring of the remanence with susceptibility before each measurement suggests that we are experiencing the decomposition of iron bearing clays, and perhaps some of the pyrite, into finergrained ferrimagnetic minerals. Nevertheless, the removal of multi-domain magnetite carriers with low temperature cycling in liquid nitrogen, followed by low-field alternating field demagnetization, and the fact that the rocks have never been heated appreciably above even 60°C, argue that we are seeing a real characteristic component of Cretaceous age before the samples become unstable. As noted below, we also find that the magnetic polarity of this characteristic component is in broad agreement with the geomagnetic reversal timescale for late Maastrichtian and early Danian time.

As a group, the mean normal and reversely magnetized directions isolated with this procedure are statistically anti-parallel, passing the reversals test (mean angular offset 4.9°, critical

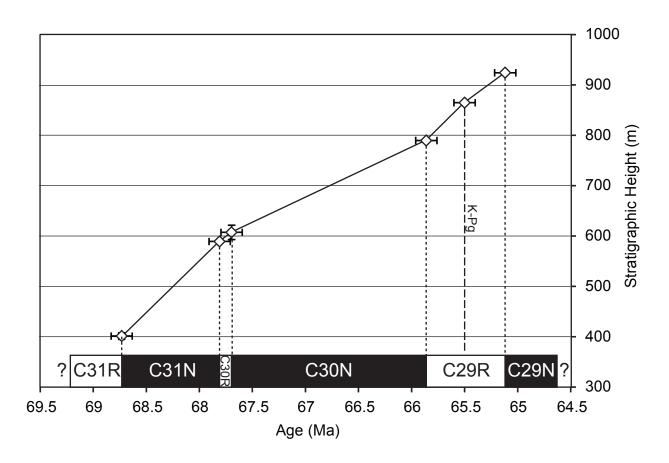
angle 10.7°, see Table 3.1) for a Category C of McFadden and McElhinny (1990). The combination of the positive reversals test and the presence of layer-bound magnetic polarity zones strongly imply that the characteristic magnetization was acquired at or shortly after the time of deposition. Given the robust number of samples yielding useable results and the excellent age constraints on the K-Pg boundary, the mean direction rates a perfect 7 on the 7-point paleomagnetic quality (Q) index of Van der Voo (1993).

The magnetostratigraphic record for the Maastrichtian through lower Danian on Seymour Island is shown in Figure 3.8. All sites from the oldest part of the sequence, Units 5, 6, and those at the bottom of 7, are reversely magnetized, whereas the upper half of Unit 7, most of 8, and the lower half of 9 are Normal. A short Reversed interval is characterized by two samples in the middle of Unit 8, and the upper half of Unit 9 and most of Unit 10 are Reversed. One Normal sample was measured at the top of Unit 10 prior to the overlying unconformity. This magnetic polarity pattern has a straightforward interpretation. The K-Pg boundary is known to occur within Magnetic Chron 29R (Alvarez et al., 1977), which identifies the Reversed zone in the top half of Unit 9, and most of Unit 10, as C29R. The reversed interval in Unit 8 is most likely the short duration C30R, while the overlying and underlying Normal zones are C30N and C31N respectively. The lowest zone is C31R, though its base is unconstrained. The uppermost point in Unit 10 is likely the beginning of C29N. A chronostratigraphic framework (Fig. 3.9) was constructed with linear interpolation between the known time points provided by these reversals and the K-Pg boundary (Gradstein et al., 2004) adopted here. The consistent sedimentation rate through the section further supports the above magnetostratigraphic interpretation.

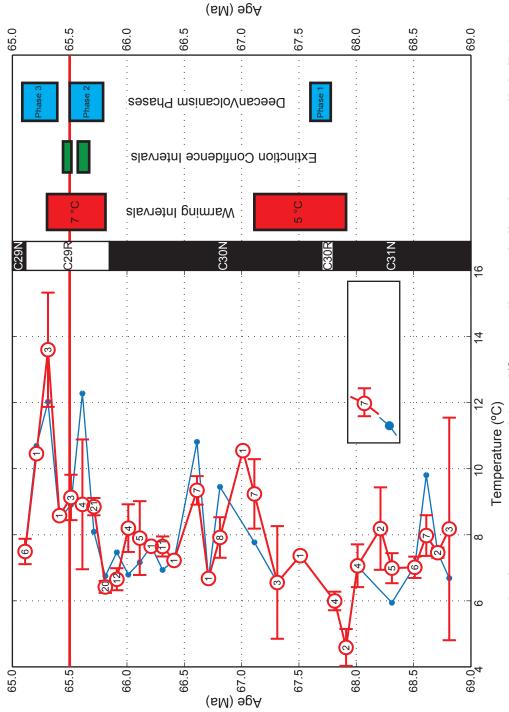
*Paleotemperature-* Shown in Figure 3.10 is the paleotemperature record in 100 ka binned intervals using an age model described above. Data from all analyzed specimens, as well as a culled selection based on diagenetic indicators, are both shown and largely consistent. Overall, these



At left is the magnetic polarity interpretation is indicated by the tilt-corrected inclination of the stable remanence vectors, with Figure 3.8. Compiled magneto-, litho-, and isotopic stratigraphic results for the upper half of the Lopéz de Bertodano Formation, representing the Maastrichtian and Lower Danian interval. Units are the informal units as described by Macellari (1986). solid symbols indicating results from samples that demagnetize to a stable end position and open symbols showing the final iterative position of best directions along the demagnetization arcs. At right are the \$180 values sorted by major taxonomic

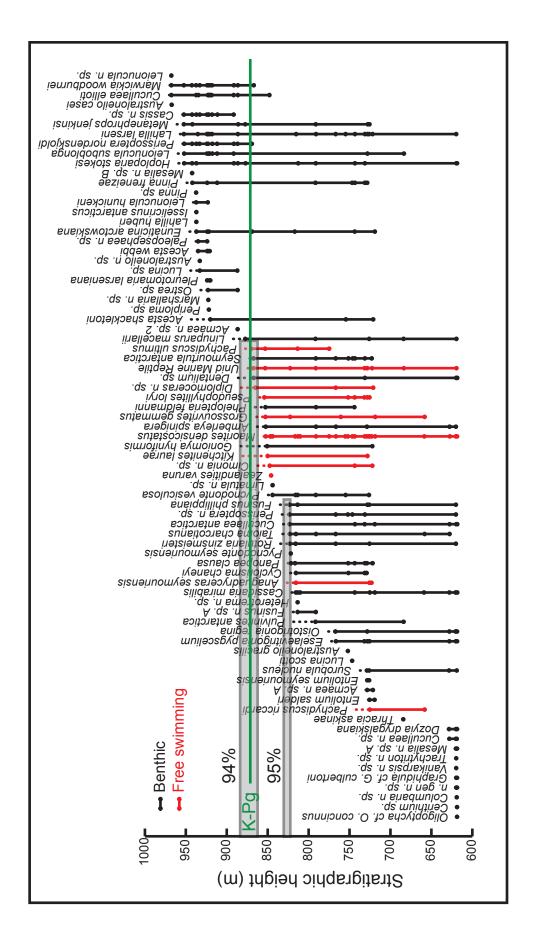


**Figure 3.9.** Age model assuming constant sedimentation rate between known tie points derived from magnetostratigraphy and the K-Pg boundary. Sedimentation rate is fairly constant throughout the interval (0.1-0.2 mm/a).



**Figure 3.10.** Reconstructed paleotemperature record from  $\delta^{18}$ O in molluscan shell carbonate using all shells (open circles) and a culled data set where shells outside trace element bounds are not included (in blue). Data is binned in equal time bins of 100 multiple shells, while the circled number represents the number of shells in a given bin. Warming intervals of greater than 3°C are highlighted. At right are the extinction intervals observed in Figure 3.9, as well as the magnetostratigraphically correlated phases of Deccan Traps flood volcanism. Correlations between warming and volcanism are statistically significant (p<0.01). ka, with uncertainties representing a 95% confidence interval (standard error x 1.96 (Altman and Bland, 2005)) based on

paleotemperature results are consistent with previous macrofossil studies in this area (Ditchfield et al., 1994; Dutton et al., 2007; Elorza et al., 2001) as well as estimates from microfossils (Barrera et al., 1987), when analyzed using newly available calibrations for carbonate-temperature (Kim et al., 2007b) and carbonate-acid (Kim et al., 2007a) relationships. Warming intervals are highlighted during any continuous warming trend of at least 3°C, excluding data points comprised of a single shell, yielding two notable warming events. The first occurs between 67.9 and 67.1 Ma, the second between 65.8 and 65.3 Ma. The second warming interval could plausibly be split into two separate events 65.8-65.6 Ma and 65.5-65.3 Ma, an interpretation supported by the culled data set. The difference between these two interretations is primarily seen in the magnitude of the warming and the decay rate of the climatic perturbation. Both possibilities are explored in a statistical analysis in section 5. Warming during the last several thousand years of the Cretaceous has been recognized in deep ocean cores from benthic foraminiferal data at both mid- (Li and Keller, 1998) and southern high latitudes (Barrera and Savin, 1999; Barrera, 1994), though at lower magnitudes. Similar patterns have also been observed in mid-latitude terrestrial and near-shore settings (Wilf et al., 2003), suggesting that temperature variability at high latitudes may reflect change on a global level. Extinction- Figure 3.11 shows previously reported faunal data from the LBF and newly determined extinction confidence intervals, demonstrating two separate extinction events. Species with a single occurrence are included in the figure but not in the statistical evaluation. The latter of the two extinctions is synchronous with the K-Pg boundary, while the earlier occurs over a narrow interval 40 meters below the K-Pg. Using the age model described above, this event occurs approximately 150 kyr prior to the K-Pg boundary. There is a notable difference in the selectivity of the two extinctions relative to the organisms' mode of life. The precursor extinction affects 10 marine invertebrate species, 9 of which are benthic, in contrast to the K-Pg boundary extinction where only 6 of 14 total extinct species are benthic. There is no apparent selectivity to the extinction within benthic fauna relative to trophic level or sediment position in the precursor extinction. The most



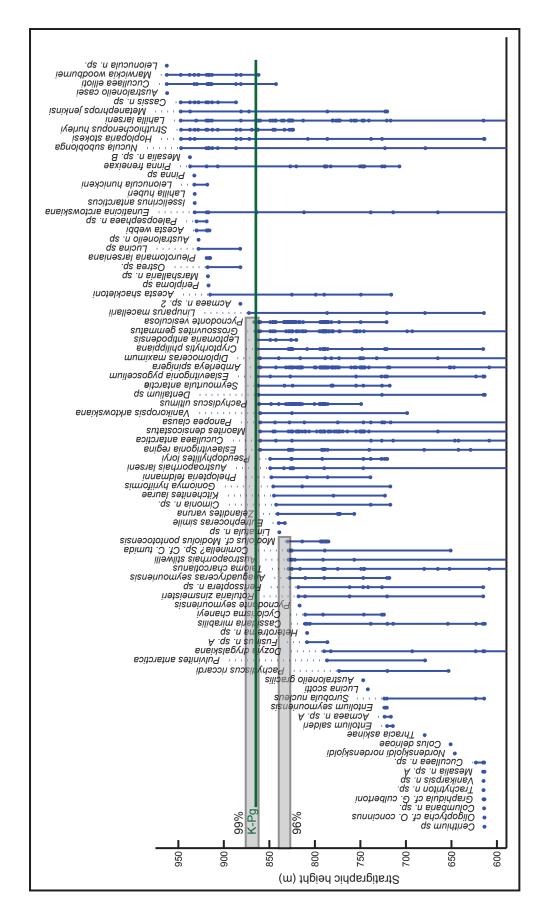
interval analysis (Wang and Marshall, 2004). Individual species extinction confidence intervals (those used in the multi-species extinction analysis) are shown as dashed range extensions. Grey bars highlight multi-species extinction confidence intervals. Figure 3.11. Faunal range data from Zinsmeister (Zinsmeister et al., 1989) reevaluated using modern extinction confidence Two extinction events were discovered to be stratigraphically resolvable, one at and one prior to the K-Pg boundary. Species with single occurrences pictured above are omitted from statistical analyses

striking difference between these two extinctions is apparent in the fate of ammonites: only one of seven ammonites becomes extinct at the precursor extinction, whereas all six ammonites present in the latest Maastrichtian become extinct at the K-Pg boundary.

While the precursor extinction event is visible in Figure 3.11, there is a notable lack of fossil collection in the interval between the two extinction events, and the earliest extinction could plausibly be explained by artificial range terminations due to poor sampling. To test this observation, extensive collections were made during recent sampling expeditions. New fossil occurrences (n=634) were recorded and combined with species occurrences from Zinsmeister using the well-defined K-Pg boundary as a datum. While relative stratigraphic heights are well determined for a single data set (hence Figure 3.11 showing the Zinsmeister data alone), correlating two separate sections necessarily generates greater uncertainty in both species identification and stratigraphic height, particularly at greater stratigraphic distances from the K-Pg datum. Consequently, new species occurrences were only added if they were separated by greater than twenty meters stratigraphically, a very conservative approach. Several species have been renamed or combined in the past twenty years, and these changes also incorporated in the combined analysis and figure (Fig. 3.12), demonstrating the persistence of two multi-species extinction events despite thorough sampling over the previously barren interval.

## **Discussion**

Figure 3.10 places the observed extinctions and paleotemperature record in their stratigraphic context, along with the timing of Deccan Traps flood volcanism as correlated using magnetostratigraphy (Chenet et al., 2009; Jay et al., 2009; Robinson et al., 2009). This framework reveals that warming intervals occur primarily during the phases of Deccan Traps volcanism, and the onset of the second interval is also contemporaneous with the identified precursor extinction. As discussed above, the later warming event could be subdivided into two events corresponding



tion between the two sections was done using the well-defined K-Pg boundary layer as a datum, and species occurrences were not combined when within 20 meters of each other to conservatively underestimate the total number of horizons. Grey bars Figure 3.12. Faunal range data from Zinsmeister et al. (1989) combined with data from newly collected specimens. Correlaindicate extinction confidence intervals for two separate extinction events, consistent with those found from the single Zins-

meister data set.

with the two latest Deccan Traps phases. Below we evaluate both possibilities and find that both interpretations yield similar correlation coefficients.

A statistical evaluation of correlation between warming events and the timing of Deccan volcanism was performed by assigning binary values to the two variables at 100 ka intervals throughout the section as in Figure 3.10, from 68.8 Ma to 65 Ma. Each variable was assigned a value of 1 if 'active' and 0 if 'inactive' for each 100 ka interval. The timing of warming events and volcanic phases correlate with a phi correlation coefficient ( $\phi$ ) of 0.45, indicative of a moderately strong correlation with high statistical significance (p-value <0.01). The correlation is similar ( $\phi$  = 0.39; p<0.03) if the diagenetically culled data set is evaluated. We were unable to perform this analysis on the extinction timing due to a lack of fossil data during the earliest warming period.

The integration of the first Upper Cretaceous magnetostratigraphy for this basin with the high resolution temperature record presented here reveals a significant destabilization in polar climate in the Late Maastrichtian caused by global warming, likely the result of Deccan volcanism. This supports the hypothesis that the primary long term effect of LIP emplacement is a global warming as a consequence of  $CO_2$  outgassing (Wignall, 2001). Furthermore, correspondence between multi-species extinction and warming strengthen the proposed causal link between flood basalts and biotic crises (Courtillot and Renne, 2003).

### Conclusion

Climatic effects on biota occur rapidly on a geologic time scale and may only be discernible in expanded sections such as those found in the James Ross Basin. In more condensed sections elsewhere, such a precursor extinction may be time-averaged with, and indistinguishable from, the boundary extinction. The preferential extinction of benthic fauna compared to nektic species during the precursor extinction, compared with primarily nektic extinction (including all ammonites) at the K-Pg boundary extinction, suggests that substantially different mechanisms were at work in

each event. Our results imply that what has been called the K-Pg mass extinction was composed of a more complicated series of separate events than any single cause can explain. Furthermore, the lack of biotic response to Deccan volcanism has been used as a reason to reject the hypothesis that large igneous provinces significantly disrupted the biosphere during the end Triassic (CAMP) and end Permian (Siberian Traps). The evidence presented here should alleviate this particular concern.

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Chapter 4. Environmental change across a terrestrial Cretaceous-Paleogene boundary section in eastern Montana, U.S.A., constrained by carbonate clumped isotope paleothermometry (Tobin et al., 2014)

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### <u>Abstract</u>

The Cretaceous-Paleogene (K-Pg) mass extinction has been attributed to the impact of a large bolide at the end of the Cretaceous Period, though other potential causes have also been proposed, most notably climate change caused by Deccan Traps flood volcanism. Reconstructing paleoclimate, particularly in terrestrial settings, has been hindered by a lack of reliable proxies. The recent development of carbonate clumped isotope paleothermometry has contributed to temperature reconstructions using geochemical proxies in terrestrial settings. We employ this method, along with new stratigraphic constraints, in the Hell Creek (Cretaceous) and overlying Fort Union (Paleogene) formations to examine changes in temperature leading up to and across the K-Pg boundary. We demonstrate that ca. 66 Ma, well-preserved, aragonitic bivalves serve as suitable paleoclimate archives. Though there are limitations in the stratigraphic availability of fossil bivalves for clumped isotope analysis, we record an apparent 8 °C decrease in summer temperatures over the last 300 k.y. of the Cretaceous that corresponds broadly with patterns observed in other paleotemperature proxies. This observed decrease plausibly could be explained by an absolute temperature decrease or by other environmental stresses on the organisms, but in either case suggests changing living conditions over this interval. Previously documented declines in vertebrate and invertebrate biodiversity occur over the same stratigraphic interval at this study location. These results are consistent with published models of the end-Cretaceous mass extinction in which destabilized ecosystems become more susceptible to an abrupt event like a bolide impact.

#### **Introduction**

The relative importance of the potential causes of the Cretaceous–Paleogene (K-Pg) extinction event is the subject of intense debate (e.g. Schulte et al., 2010 and comments and reply). Although there is compelling evidence of an extraterrestrial impactor coincident with the K-Pg boundary, some hypothesize that other environmental perturbations, such as climate change, destabilized or stressed latest Cretaceous biotic communities, which became more vulnerable to the effects of a bolide impact at the K-Pg boundary in what Arens and West (2008) termed a "Press-Pulse" scenario (Arens and West, 2008; Mitchell et al., 2012; Wilson, 2005; Wilson et al., 2014). Testing the validity of the multiple-cause hypothesis is partially contingent upon determining the timing, magnitude, and rate of these perturbations over the crucial end-Cretaceous interval, and placing them in the context of well-established fossil records.

Most Cretaceous temperature estimates are from marine sections, and temperature analysis in continental environments has been limited by a lack of unambiguous proxies. Here we apply clumped isotope paleothermometry to well-preserved fossil unionid bivalves from the Hell Creek Formation (HCF) and Tullock Member of the Fort Union Formation (TUM), both of which have rich and well-studied fossil assemblages. This technique allows for the direct estimation of paleotemperature in environments where unconstrained  $\delta^{18}$ O of water ( $\delta^{18}$ O<sub>water</sub>) prohibits traditional oxygen-isotopic techniques (Eiler, 2011). A non-geochemical proxy, leaf-based paleotemperature reconstruction, has been used to document a temperature rise and fall in the ca. 300–500 k.y. immediately preceding the K-Pg boundary (Wilf et al., 2003), but the assumptions on which this method is based have been questioned (Little et al., 2010 and references therein). An independent record from clumped isotopes could improve understanding of the validity of floral proxies and climate change through this interval, as well as contributing to increased

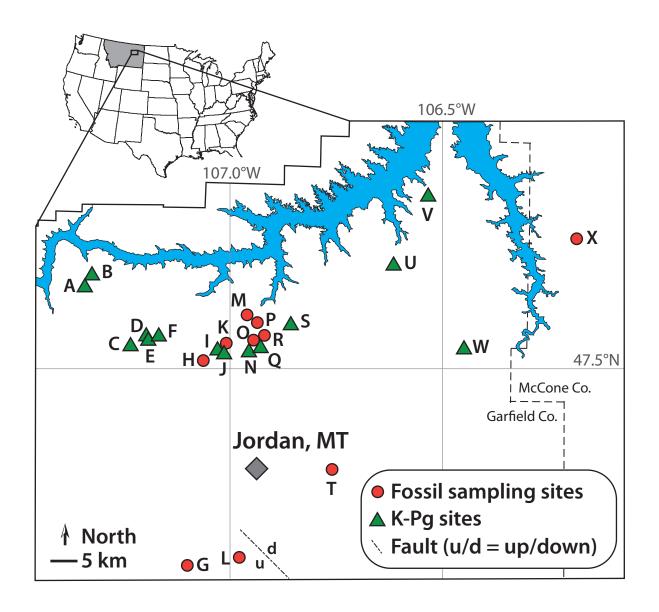
understanding of the applicability of clumped isotopes to continental environments, which remains an open methodological question.

#### **Abbreviated Methods**

Stratigraphy- We obtained fossil shell material for this study from the HCF and TUM in central Garfield County, south of the Fort Peck Reservoir (Fig. 4.1). Stratigraphic correlation in this study area is complicated by the limited vertical exposure and lateral extent of terrestrial facies. Several previous studies have confirmed that the lithologically defined HCF-TUM contact is nearly coincident (<10 cm) with the K-Pg boundary at multiple locations using the presence of an Ir anomaly and shocked quartz (Moore et al., 2014 and references therein; more details in Appendix 4.1, and extended methods, below). We infer that the HCF-TUM contact is coeval within the limits of our field area ( $\sim8,000~\text{km}^2$ ) and can be used as a proxy for the K-Pg boundary geochronologic datum, but we recognize that farther east the K-Pg boundary and lithologic contact can be diachronous. Using a high-resolution ( $\pm<2$  m vertical) GPS receiver, we measured the absolute elevations of the HCF-TUM contact at the localities studied above, as well as several other HCF-TUM localities as seen in Figure 4.1 (details in Appendix 4.1). The three-dimensional spatial relationship between these boundary points was analyzed, and the points were found to fit very well ( $R^2 = 0.999$ , p <0.001, max error =8m, RMSE =3.8~m) to a simple plane with a strike/dip of 0.49°/0.2° SE, and described by Equation 1:

(1) 
$$Elev_{(HT)} = (East \times -2.2947 \times 10^{-3}) + (North \times 2.6741 \times 10^{-3}) - 12435.4$$

where East and North are UTM Zone 13 N coordinates, and  $Elev_{(HT)}$  is the modeled height of the HCF-TUM contact at that location in meters (see extended methods). Fossil sampling localities were projected to this plane to find their stratigraphic height relative to the boundary, and thus were placed in their stratigraphic positions. A new magnetostratigraphic record from Site S in Figure 4.1 (LeCain et al., 2014) allows the assimilation of magnetic reversals into our stratigraphic framework.



**Figure 4.1.** Locality map of the sampling area in Garfield and McCone counties, Montana, U.S.A., showing Fort Peck Reservoir (in blue). Triangles indicate sites of HCF-TUM boundary localities. Circles indicate mollusk fossil sites for geochemical sampling. Researchers should contact the authors for locality coordinates of the fossil sites. For other site details see Appendix 4.1.

Laboratory Methods- We collected unionid bivalve (10 localities) and gastropod (2 localities) fossils through the HCF and TUM, and we collected a carbonate vein crosscutting surrounding lithology at an additional site. To serve as a modern analog, unionids from the Amite River in Louisiana, U.S.A. were collected from a site near permanent air and water temperature recorders. Fossil shells were assessed for diagenesis using trace element concentrations (ICP-OES), X-ray diffraction (XRD), and cold cathodoluminescence microscopy. Gastropods, but not bivalves, showed indications of diagenesis, with detectable levels of calcite (XRD) and recrystallized carbonate phases (cathodoluminescence). Clumped isotope measurements were made following the methods of Huntington et al. (2009) and Passey et al. (2010), and measurements were converted to the absolute reference frame (Dennis et al., 2011) and then to temperature using the calibration from Zaarur et al. (2013 - eq. 7). Measurements and errors were derived by averaging 2-4 analyses on a shell, and averaging 3-4 shells to create a locality value. This averaging is justified here because multiple measurements from the same sites and stratigraphic horizons are consistent with random samples of a single population. See supplemental methods for a more thorough exploration of different temperature calibrations, some of which increase the magnitude of observed temperature changes due to increased  $\Delta_{47}$ -temperature sensitivity.

#### **Detailed Methods**

Stratigraphy- We surveyed elevations at HCF-TUM contact localities using a high-precision Trimble 2005 GeoExplorer XT GPS receiver, and found that the contact is remarkably planar. The best-fit plane has a maximum residual of 8 m and RMSE of 3.7 m , just twice the instrumental precision of the GPS receiver (< 2 m). We used GPS receivers to acquire geographic coordinates for all fossil sampling localities, and projected those coordinates to the best-fit plane to determine the stratigraphic height of each locality relative to the HCF-TUM ( $\approx$  K-Pg boundary). These stratigraphic data were compared to previously published stratigraphic heights (Hartman, 1998; Wilson, 2005)

and geologic maps (Wilde and Bergatino, 2004a, 2004b; Wilde and Vuke, 2004a, 2004b) for compatibility. Only two sites diverged by more than 5 m from published estimates. L0010a was projected to be 10 m above the K-Pg boundary, though Hartman (1998) recorded it as 35 m above the boundary. We accept the latter value, as there is clear exposure of 20-25 m of TUM below the fossil horizon, and projection at this site requires extrapolation of the best-fit plane beyond recorded data points. A NW-SE fault in the lower center of the map offsets localities L6214/5 (Site L). Wilde and Vuke (Wilde and Vuke, 2004b) map the fault as having approximately 200 m of offset, consistent with the difference between published height estimates (Hartman, 1998) for that location and our projected height (195 m). Uncertainties on stratigraphic heights are a combination of GPS precision estimates (typically < 1.5 m) and uncertainties derived from stratigraphic projections (typically < 3.0 m). A copy of this model is available as a Matlab file (Appendix 4.2) with contained instructions that can be used to examine this surface model and find projected surface locations (and confidence intervals) for any geographical location. Details of each locality, including specific uncertainty estimates can be found in Appendix 4.1. In many cases, larger upper bounds on stratigraphic height were added to the analytical uncertainties to reflect shells being retrieved from the bottom of large channel structures that down cut into surrounding overbank deposits, and the corresponding uncertainty in the relative timing when compared to neighboring flat-lying deposits. We note that, despite large numbers of published sampling localities and considerable field exploration, bivalve fossils were absent from the lowest 30 m of the TUM.

Laboratory Methods- We collected unionid bivalve fossils from ten localities in the study area with the goal of even stratigraphic sampling of the HCF and TUM, although no bivalve fossil localities are known from the lowest 30 m of the TUM. We also sampled rarer gastropod fossils from two localities and carbonate vein material from one locality. To serve as a modern analog, we collected unionid bivalves from the Amite River, near Denham Springs, Louisiana. The temperature and depositional environment at this location approximate conditions during deposition of the HCF.

Daily historical temperature records for the past 50 years are available from a USGS water-temperature monitoring station located 35 km upstream of this location and from an air temperature station located in nearby Baton Rouge, Louisiana (15 km).

We prepared three or four bivalve shells from each locality (fossil and modern) by drilling near the umbo of the shell to generate carbonate powder for analysis. The umbo is selected for two reasons, one practical, the other theoretical. Primarily the umbo serves as standardized location on each shell to minimize variations between sampled bivalves. Secondly, the umbo is selected because bivalves are likely to exhibit less seasonal bias early in their life due to the importance of constructing their initial shell for protection. Unfortunately, the results of this study revealed that seasonal bias was still present. This is particularly important because clumped isotope analysis currently requires almost two orders of magnitude more carbonate material than traditional isotopic techniques (Eiler, 2007), so our preparation technique was designed to average multiple years of growth instead of examining seasonal variability. We assessed diagenesis of visually pristine, fully aragonitic (as confirmed by XRD) material from bivalve shells using trace element concentrations (no correlations between either  $\delta^{18}$ O or  $\Delta 47$  with [Al], [Ba], [Fe], [Mn], [Na], [Sr] were found). Additionally, we sectioned and examined a subset of samples under cold-cathode cathodoluminescence (CL) microscopy; no bivalves were found to exhibit any signs of recrystallization. Under CL illumination, gastropod fossils showed textures and luminescence characteristic of diagenesis. Presumably recrystallized calcite was detected by XRD in primarily aragonitic gastropod sample powders, but not in primarily aragonitic bivalves.

Stable isotopic measurements were made in two batches at the California Institute of Technology (Caltech), the first in November 2010 and the second in February 2012. In both batches carbonate powders were reacted with 90 °C 100% phosphoric acid and the emitted  $CO_2$  gas was purified through two cryogenic trap sequences separated by a He carried gas chromatograph

transit before introduction to the sample bellows of Thermo MAT 253 mass spectrometer. Measurements were interspersed with internal lab standard carbonate powders, heated gases, and in the case of the later batch, low-temperature, water-equilibrated gases. Detailed laboratory methods follow supplemental information of Passey et al. (2010)and raw mass spectrometry data was processed as in Huntington et al. (2009), modified to convert measurements to absolute reference frame (Dennis et al., 2011). Analyses (6 of 145) with  $\Delta$ 48 signatures indicative of methodological contamination ( $\Delta$ 48 anomalies) were removed from the final compilation (Huntington et al., 2009), as were samples with anomalously high  $\Delta$ 47 values (>1.0; n=2). Shells for which only one successful analysis (n=3) remained were excluded from the final data compilation (Appendix 4.3), but are included in the raw clumped isotope data (Appendix 4.4).

Each bivalve shell was analyzed either two or three times to generate mean shell values  $\Delta_{47}$  values, which were in turn averaged to generate mean locality  $\Delta_{47}$  values and uncertainty estimates. Corrected  $\Delta_{47}$  values in the absolute reference frame were converted to temperature using equation 7 from Zaarur et al. (2013). Formulae from Kim et al. (2007b) and Kim and O'Neil (1997) were used to reconstruct  $\delta^{18}O_{water}$  from temperature and  $\delta^{18}O$  of the carbonate. The analyses and sample mean values of  $\Delta_{47}$  and  $\delta^{18}O_{water}$  can be found in Appendix 4.3.The net result of converting from the internal laboratory measurements to the absolute reference frame for the 2010 batch was a 1.5 °C increase in reconstructed temperature. While we use the most recent of the  $\Delta_{47}$ -temperature calibrations, other recent alternative calibrations have been proposed (Eagle et al., 2013; Henkes et al., 2013; Zaarur et al., 2013, 2011). In terms of absolute temperature estimates, these calibrations agree very well around 30 °C, but all have greater temperature sensitivities than the calibration we used, and would consequently show greater temperature changes. The aragonite calibrations from Eagle et al. (2013) and Henkes et al. (2013) have temperature sensitivities greater than the Zaarur calibration. While the Zaarur calibration yielded a 8 °C temperature decline (31-23 °C) that we use in the main text, using the alternative calibrations we would reconstruct an 9 °C (34-23 °C) or a

13 °C (32-19 °C) decline using Eagle et al. (2013) or Henkes et al. (2013), respectively. We elected to use the Zaarur calibration because it is more conservative in estimated temperature changes, and the most recently published. Appendix 4.3 has the temperatures for the different calibrations identified for all analyses.

### **Results**

Modern bivalves- We compared our results from modern unionid bivalves with instrumentally recorded water and air temperatures near their collection site (Fig. 4.2). The measured clumped isotope temperature is consistent with the mean summer temperature (May–Sept.), suggesting that the bivalves precipitate most CaCO<sub>3</sub> during summer, consistent with previous studies (Dettman et al., 1999). Several new temperature calibrations have been recently published, but they agree within error near 30 °C, so unfortunately our modern data cannot be used to discern between them (see supplemental methods for more details). This agreement suggests that controversies regarding calibrations of carbonate clumped isotope thermometry are relatively unimportant for the materials and temperature ranges relevant to this study.

Diagenesis- Figure 4.3 shows average paleotemperatures derived from  $\Delta_{47}$  values and the reconstructed  $\delta^{18}O_{water}$  for each locality in stratigraphic context. These data circumstantially support our direct evidence (see "Laboratory Methods,") for a lack of diagenesis in unionid bivalve fossils. First, there is no correlation between  $\delta^{18}O_{water}$  and paleotemperature (Fig. 4.4). If fossils reset to higher temperature (by diffusion or recrystallization) in a closed system, the calculated  $\delta^{18}O_{water}$  would correlate strongly with apparent temperature, following the slope of the carbonatewater equilibrium (e.g., Came et al., 2007). Second, the carbonate vein material records the highest temperature (45 °C) among our samples, suggesting that the fossils have been exposed to some burial depth ( $\sim 1$  km) without resetting to warmer temperatures or adopting the  $\delta^{18}O_{water}$  of vein fluids. Further support is provided by the altered gastropod paleotemperatures, which are

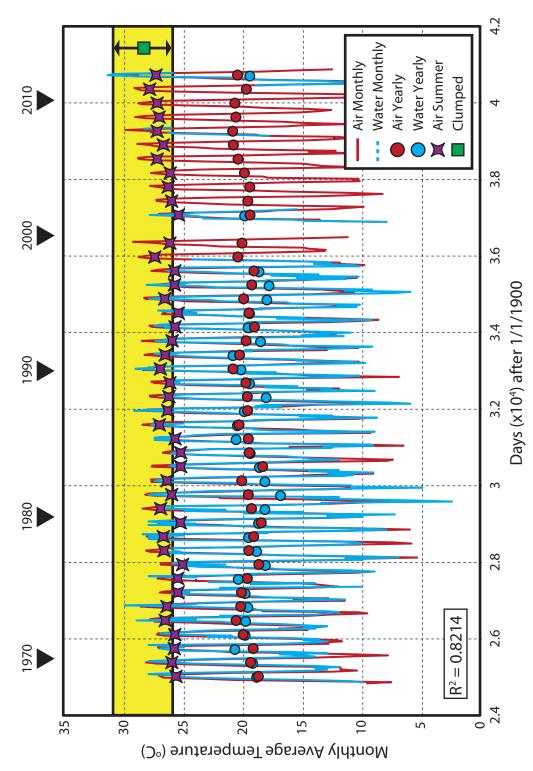


Figure 4.2. Monthly average air and water temperature records constructed from daily records for nearest monitored location to modern unionid bivalve sampling location (used as modern analog for fossil unionids). At far right: clumped isotope temperature with 95% confidence interval reconstructed for modern shells. Modern unionids grow primarily during summer months and record a summer average temperature.

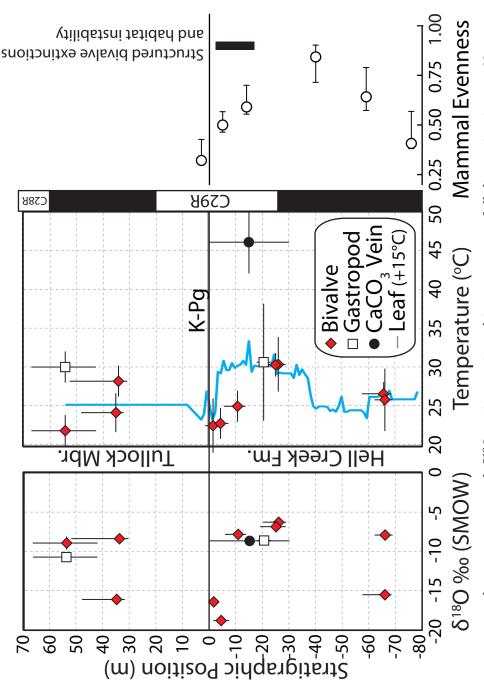
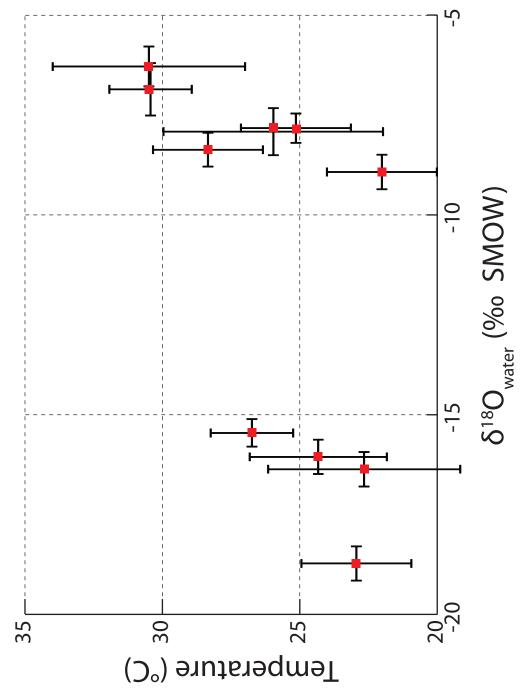


Figure 4.3. Reconstructed temperature and  $\delta^{18}O_{water}$  in stratigraphic context; see full discussion in text. Note warmer recorded temperatures for diagenetically altered gastropods and carbonate vein. Measurement errors (horizontal) are 95% confidence declines in certain bivalve morphologies have been interpreted as indicative of habitat instability (Scholz and Hartman, 2007). intervals; stratigraphic errors (vertical) are calculated using geologic context and GPS receiver errors. Paleomagnetic data are data set based on meters from K-Pg boundary to base C29R. Notable biological patterns from the HCF indicated at right: Open from LeCain et al. (2014). Leaf range-through MAT (+15 °C to fit on scale) is from Wilf et al. (2003) using linear stretching of circles - mammal evenness (e^H/S), a measure of biodiversity (Wilson, 2014); Black bar – period over which documented



 $\textbf{Figure 4.4.} \ \text{Bivalve } \delta^{18}O_{\text{water}} \ \text{plotted against reconstructed temperature with no statistically significant relationship.}$ 

substantially warmer than bivalve paleotemperatures at the only locality where they were found together (uppermost horizon).

Bimodality of  $\delta^{18}$ Owater- We observed that the  $\delta^{18}$ Owater was bimodally distributed, with values clustered around either -8‰ or -17‰, a pattern observed previously (Dettman and Lohmann, 2000; Fan and Dettman, 2009; Fricke et al., 2010). Several possible scenarios could explain this pattern, including differently sourced water (i.e. alpine v. lowland rainfall), different channel size, or monsoonal influence. We see no evidence in our field work for the second, and cannot differentiate between the first and last possibilities. Our primary concern is whether the different water types bias the temperature record, and there is no statistically significant relationship between temperature and  $\delta^{18}$ Owater. A *t*-test, designed to see whether two separate populations have statistically different means, was applied to the temperature values of the two  $\delta^{18}$ Owater populations, yielding a non-statistically significant result (p = 0.16). There is at best a weak, non-significant, correlation (r² = 0.27, p = 0.12) between the two variables (Fig. 4.4) that, even if significant, would only explain 27% of the variation seen in the temperature values. Additionally, we also find for the two samples at the same stratigraphic height from different geographical localities (-66m, Fig. 4.3 of main text) that the temperatures are identical but differ in  $\delta^{18}$ Owater. The evidence suggests that there is little or no bias of temperature due to water source or channel effects.

Paleotemperature- Several features can be observed in the paleotemperature data (Appendix 4.3) despite some limitations in stratigraphic occurrences of reliable samples (Fig. 4.3). We analyzed two localities (both at 66 m), separated by a geographic distance of 2.5 km, which record nearly identical temperatures (30 °C), increasing our confidence that the temperature measurements are reliable. Temperatures at the next stratigraphically highest locality (26 m) for which we have measurements are only slightly warmer, which may indicate little paleoclimatic change over that interval. The overlying 26 m stratigraphic interval preceding the K-Pg boundary is well sampled

and shows a decrease in paleotemperature (by  $\sim$ 8 °C) that is statistically significant (p < 0.005) when compared with the null hypothesis of no temperature change over this interval. Uncertainties in our stratigraphic projection allow the initiation of this decline within either C30N or C29R, but close to the reversal, and restrict its termination to immediately below the K-Pg boundary. The interval between the C30N/C29R reversal and the K-Pg boundary represents ca. 300 k.y. (Gradstein et al., 2012) during which 80% of the Deccan Traps volume was erupted (Chenet et al., 2009). Bivalve localities in the TUM are rare and occur at the base of large, downcutting, stream-channel deposits, so their depositional ages are less well-constrained, though reconstructed temperatures are within the range observed in the HCF. The timing and nature of paleotemperature trends in the TUM are an obvious target for further testing, though aragonite bivalves are very rare or absent in much of this interval, and the depositional character of the deposits makes assigning relative stratigraphic heights difficult.

#### **Discussion**

We observed a bimodal distribution of  $\delta^{18}O_{water}$ , but saw no statistical correspondence between  $\delta^{18}O_{water}$  and temperature in our analysis of fossil shell material (Fig. 4.4). This pattern has been previously observed (Dettman and Lohmann, 2000; Fan and Dettman, 2009), and we agree with their interpretation that the two  $\delta^{18}O_{water}$  modes likely reflect different water sources supplying the area. Similar bimodality has been observed in Campanian-Maastrichtian unionid bivalves elsewhere in the Western Interior and interpreted as the result of monsoonal influence (Fricke et al., 2010). Bimodal  $\delta^{18}O_{water}$  values could reflect sampling of mollusks from large versus small river channels (Fan and Dettman, 2009), but we saw no correspondence between channel size and  $\delta^{18}O_{water}$ . We conclude that the observed temperature changes are not biased by variations in water sources.

Dennis et al. (2013) published the only previous clumped isotope data from the HCF ( $\Delta_{47}$  = 0.683 ± 0.003 (1 s.d.), n = 4), which are similar to our average clumped isotope results ( $\Delta_{47}$  = 0.699 ± 0.014 (1 s.d), n = 30). Samples from Dennis et al. (2013) lack stratigraphic control beyond formational information, so it is impossible to say whether there is a real discrepancy between these two data sets or just in the location of their sampling (e.g., a single site – R – from this study has statistically identical values to those in the Dennis et al. (2013) study –  $\Delta_{47}$  = 0.680 ± 0.007 (1 s.d.) n = 4). While the  $\Delta_{47}$  results are comparable, Dennis et al. (2013) reconstruct temperatures that are 10 °C cooler than this study (which yields a 2.5‰ change in  $\delta^{18}O_{water}$ ), based on "vital effect" corrections that we did not apply to our data. Given the known growth habits of unionid bivalves, we favor a summer temperature growth bias interpretation discussed above (and in supplemental text) that Dennis et al. (2013) acknowledge could also explain their "vital effect." In any event, this discrepancy does not contradict our finding of a ~8 °C temperature change through the interval sampled in this study.

Given our suggestion of a summer growth bias, the apparent pre-K-Pg cooling trend can be interpreted in two ways. A relatively parsimonious interpretation is that summer temperatures declined over this interval. Previous studies from the marine realm have recorded what apparently was a global cooling episode that followed a short-term (ca. 100–300 k.y.) warming event in the very latest Cretaceous (Li and Keller, 1998; Tobin et al., 2012). The ~8 °C decline that we observe, and the overall temperature trend, is comparable to that reported (> 5 °C, Fig. 4.3) by Wilf et al. (2003) from analysis of Hell Creek floras, but poor stratigraphic resolution in both data sets complicates comparisons in the TUM. Our absolute values are consistent with summer temperatures given the MAT and seasonality from climate models (e.g. Sellwood and Valdes, 2006).

A second environmental interpretation is also consistent with our clumped-isotopic paleotemperature record: Mean annual and seasonal temperatures could have remained constant

over the measured interval, but bivalves could have shifted the duration or timing of their growing season in response to non-temperature related environmental stresses or food availability. In this scenario, a shell sample large enough for clumped isotope analysis would record a lower average temperature by including more shell grown at lower, non-summer, temperatures. Marine bivalves have been shown to adjust growth patterns to adapt to food scarcity (Schone et al., 2005).

In either case, the recorded paleotemperature decline indicates that an environmental shift occurred during the last ca. 300 k.y. of the Cretaceous. This trend temporally correlates with declines in the biodiversity of mammalian and amphibian assemblages that occur over the same interval prior to the K-Pg mass extinction (Wilson, 2014, 2005; Wilson et al., 2014). Selective extinction of certain morphologies of unionid bivalves has also been used to infer a "major decrease in habitat stability" prior to the K-Pg boundary in the same interval (Scholz and Hartman, 2007).

Modern ecological studies demonstrate that these pre-K-Pg biodiversity drops may reflect declining population sizes, changes in community structure, and/or ecological instability and stress from environmental disturbance (Magurran, 2004). Previous studies have established that species in stressed and altered ecosystems may be more susceptible to an abrupt extinction event and have advanced the hypothesis that geologic mass extinctions may be a result of this phenomenon (e.g. Arens and West, 2008; Mitchell et al., 2012; Scheffer et al., 2001). Our evidence, correlated abiotic and biotic changes occurring immediately before a sudden, pulse extinction, is consistent with this hypothesis. However, we cannot exclude the possibility that the environmental disturbances are only coincidentally correlated in time with the mass extinction at the K-Pg boundary.

### Conclusion

Here we demonstrate that Late Cretaceous freshwater bivalves can be a reliable archive for clumped isotope thermometry, though complications in potential seasonal bias remain to be determined. We document an apparent decline of  $\sim$ 8 °C during the Cretaceous portion of C29R that

broadly corresponds with records derived from other paleotemperature proxies. This apparent change in temperature may have stressed ecological structures and magnified the effects of the bolide impact (Arens and West, 2008; Mitchell et al., 2012), a hypothesis that is supported by biotic changes observed locally and globally in marine and terrestrial settings over the last ca. 300–500 k.y. of the Cretaceous (Gertsch et al., 2011; Samant and Mohabey, 2009; Tobin et al., 2012). While further testing of the "Press-Pulse" hypothesis is necessary, the clumped isotope data here demonstrate a changing environment over the last 300 k.y. of the Cretaceous.

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Chapter 5. Modelling the potential effects of Deccan Traps flood basalt volcanism.

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#### <u>Introduction</u>

The stable isotope paleotemperature reconstructions from Seymour Island, Antarctica in Chapter 3 (Tobin et al., 2012) showed that warming intervals in the few 100 ka before and after the K-Pg boundary were temporally correlated with the timing of Deccan Traps flood basalt volcanism. Other studies from different places around the globe have found a warming event of similar timing and magnitude in the interval immediately before the boundary (Barrera and Savin, 1999; Li and Keller, 1998; Liu and Schmitt, 1996; Wilf et al., 2003). Volcanic episodes of all types are generally associated with significant carbon dioxide and sulfate emissions, which have contradictory effects on the temperature of the earth. Sulfate aerosols are effective at blocking incoming solar radiation, and cooling the earth, though their impact is generally limited to within a few years of the end of emissions. In contrast, emitted  $CO_2$  will trap more heat by increasing the greenhouse effect, and these effects are generally thought to diminish over the course of thousands to tens of thousands of years after emission ceases (Archer and Brovkin, 2008).

As part of an astrobiology research rotation with Dr. Cecilia Bitz I wanted to assess the plausibility of the  $CO_2$  emissions from Deccan traps volcanism being sufficient to generate the warming observed by the studies mentioned above. Additionally, the research rotation was an opportunity for me to learn some basic skills outside of my discipline, as I was previously unfamiliar with modelling. We chose to focus on modelling the effects of  $CO_2$  for three reasons: first, because the patterns we observe from paleotemperature proxies indicate warming; second, because the effects of sulfate aerosols, even if profound, would likely be too short lived to be discoverable in the geologic record (though see Vellekoop et al., 2014); third, because the modelling

of sulfate aerosols is extremely complex computationally and is currently not well understood. Due to the time scales involved, a basic box model for the earth was used, and may in fact be the most appropriate choice given that short term complexity is unlikely to be verifiable with paleotemperature proxies. We employed a model known as GEOCARB III, which was originally developed by Berner (Berner and Kothavala, 2001; Berner, 1994). It does not involve the additional sulfur modeling complexities that were later introduced to the model (Berner, 2006).

A 'descendent' of GEOCARB III, called GEOCYC, was developed by Archer et al. (2009) and compared well with other significantly more complex models. At geologically important time scales (ie. greater than 1-10ka), this model would appear sufficient for understanding the magnitude and duration of CO<sub>2</sub> emission effects on global temperature. The model code was made available to Dr. Bitz and me by Dr. Archer, and the front end is available online for public use in modelling the effects of fossil fuel emissions (forecast.uchicago.edu). The model was coded and provided to us in FORTRAN, and converted to MatLab by Dr. Bitz, as the increased speed facilitated by FORTRAN was unnecessary given the simplicity of the code. I am also familiar with MatLab, but not with FORTRAN, and was thus able to better understand the code.

The code initially had little to no commenting, and I worked to comment the code to facilitate my understanding of how it functioned. As a conversion from FORTRAN, the code needed aesthetic and functional tweaking before use; additionally, I added comments citing the source of almost all of the formulae and constants, though in a few places I was unable to locate where some lines had originated from.

#### **Model Basics**

GEOCARB III (as provided to us by Dr. Archer) was originally configured to model the effects of anthropogenic climate change by introducing a sudden large increase in  $CO_2$  over preindustrial levels, which was the then allowed to decay away. Carbon is introduced to the

atmosphere continually at low levels by volcanic emission, and is removed from the atmosphere by both weathering of rock material and direct exchange with the ocean. The exchange of carbon species in the ocean dissolved inorganic carbon (DIC) pool is modelled, and carbon is eventually removed from the system by incorporation into calcium carbonate and burial.

In more detail, the code loops through user defined time steps, modifying the carbon in the atmospheric and oceanic reservoirs. The ocean reservoir is further divided into inorganic carbon species of  $CO_2$  (aq),  $HCO_3$ , and  $CO_3$ . Ocean chemistry is modeled in a subroutine which uses inputs of  $CO_2$  concentration and temperature to calculate the  $pCO_2$  and concentration of  $CO_3$ , further employing another subroutine which handles most of the alkalinity and other ocean chemistry calculations using equations based on Peng et al. (1987). Each time step calculates the ocean carbon inventory as the previous carbon inventory plus inputs from carbonate and silicate weathering, minus the burial of inorganic carbon and gas exchange with the ocean (not necessarily positive). The atmospheric inventory is calculated similarly, by adding gas exchange with the ocean and volcanic  $CO_2$  emissions, and subtracting weathering drawdown by silicate weathering.

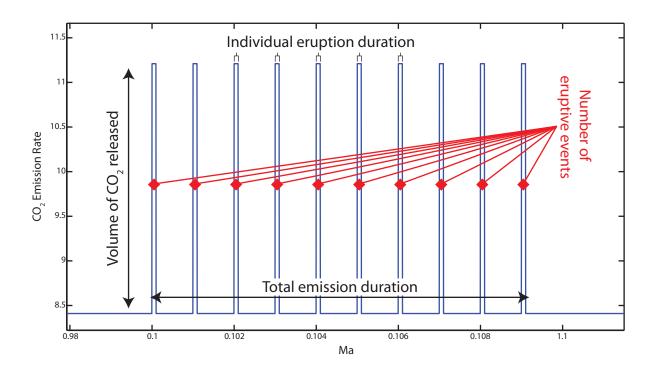
## **Model Modifications**

Many modifications were necessary to employ this model in Cretaceous conditions, and to handle more complex emissions scenarios. Since our initial work with this model, some of these changes can now be made on the website interface. It was necessary to change some basic constants with the model to better represent the latest Cretaceous, a much warmer time on earth than today. The solar constant was tweaked to reflect the increasing radiation from the sun over time, which creates a very slight cooling effect. The area and latitudinal position of exposed land was also different in the Cretaceous due to plate movement and a lack of polar ice caps. The fraction of exposed land was calculated as 94.75% of the current exposed land area using equal area projections of end Cretaceous paleogeography. A similar analysis conducted by Dr. Bitz caused us to

change the mean latitude of continental area from  $30^\circ$  N (modern) to  $10^\circ$ N (Cretaceous). These two changes have opposite effects on temperature; lower land area will reduce the ability of weathering to remove  $CO_2$  from the atmosphere, but having more land in equatorial regions will increase weathering. Neither were substantial drivers of our end results. We also changed an additional parameter from Berner and Kothavala (2001) termed 'RUN' which reflects the relationship between weathering and temperature differing between overall cold earth climates (modern - 0.045) and warm climates (like the Cretaceous - 0.025). Finally, we found that code as used had a formula that related  $CO_2$  and weathering that was outdated and referred to weathering before the evolution of vascular plants, and we updated to a newer formula.

More important to our modelling efforts were changes to allow for more complex volcanic emission scenarios, as flood basalt style volcanism has substantial stochasticity and uncertainty in how it develops (Chenet et al., 2009, 2008, 2007; Jay and Widdowson, 2008; Jay et al., 2009; Self et al., 2006). The abrupt  $CO_2$  spike from the original model was removed, and the constant background  $CO_2$  emissions from volcanism were modified. Some code was added to allow for several parameters of these emissions to be modified (see Fig. 5.1). The total duration and volume of  $CO_2$  emission are variable, as are the number and duration of individual emission events (eruptions or flows) over the course of the total emission. These modifications are necessary as some studies have suggested that the intervals between individual eruptions would be sufficient for the  $CO_2$  in the atmosphere to return to background levels prior to the next eruption (Self et al., 2006).

A final modification was made to create a background, or starting climate, that is comparable to our understanding of the Cretaceous. As the model is at a presumed steady state for the pre-industrial parameters, I allowed the model to spin up from this state to a background Cretaceous state. Though models have suggested atmospheric  $pCO_2$  ranges from 400-1300 ppm, the



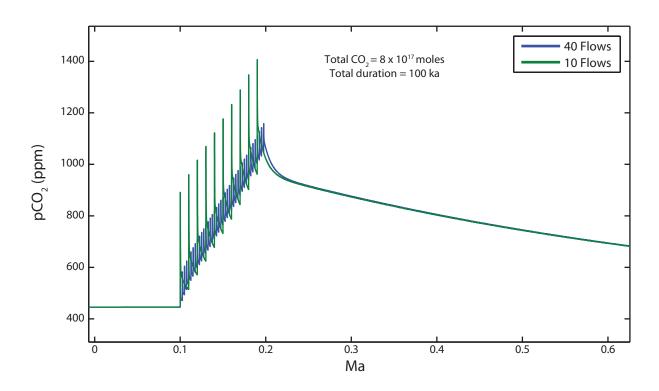
**Figure 5.1.** Volcanic  $\mathrm{CO}_2$  emission parameters that are variable in our modified GEOCARB model. The volume of  $\mathrm{CO}_2$  released in an individual emission is a factor of the tother modifiable parameters.

best available proxy data for this time period yields values around 450 ppm (Beerling et al., 2002; Royer et al., 2007). A Cretaceous background  $pCO_2$  is achieved by modifying the baseline volcanic emission rate until it stabilizes at 450 ppm for the Cretaceous starting parameters. The duration of the model was also extended greatly to allow adequate time for equilibrium to be reached before Deccan Traps perturbations are added.

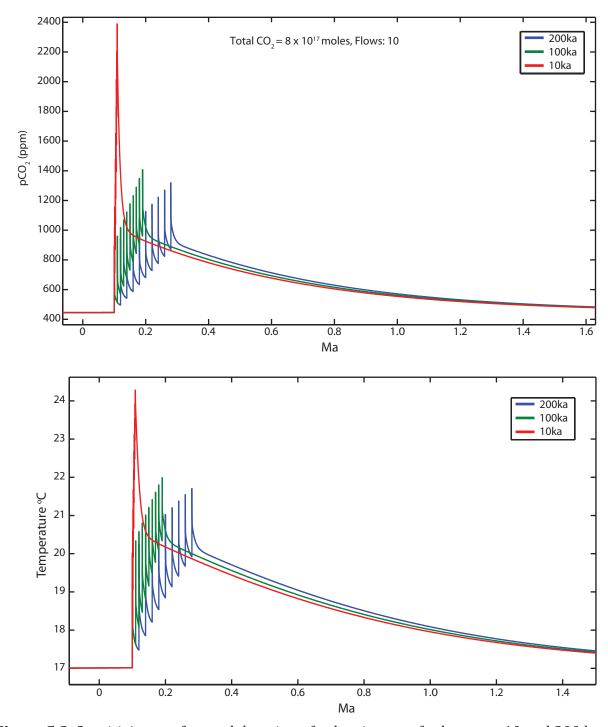
## **Model Sensitivity**

Many parameters (described above), were changed to create Cretaceous starting conditions. These changes did not seem to have a significant effects on the end results, as in many cases the changes operated in opposite directions, somewhat negating their effects. The model is sensitive to the starting Cretaceous  $CO_2$  value (see above for background starting condition), as temperature is non-linear with  $CO_2$  (We used the provided model climate sensitivity of 3 °C for a doubling of  $CO_2$ , which corresponds well with IPCC AR4 and AR5 estimates). All the following tests are conducted with starting conditions as described above, with initial  $CO_2$  at 450 ppm and a corresponding mean global temperature of 17 °C, in keeping with what we feel are the best  $CO_2$  proxies employed near the K-Pg boundary (Beerling et al., 2002).

All of the parameters that were coded for adjustment of volcanic emissions (described in model modifications, above) were tested to explore their importance and potential detectability in the stratigraphic record. It was found that the number and duration of individual eruptive events, or flows, did not alter the effects on global p $CO_2$  and temperature when the volume of  $CO_2$  and total eruptive duration were controlled (Fig. 5.2). Smaller numbers of flows created very short term temperature spikes that may affect biological communities, but would be too short to capture in the stratigraphic record. Similarly, the total duration of  $CO_2$  emission was not substantially important except at very short durations (Fig. 5.3). Restricting the emission duration to 10 ka is sufficient to generate a greater temperature increase than 100 ka, but such a condensed duration is probably



**Figure 5.2.** Sensitivity test for number of individual eruptive events (or flows) with total CO<sub>2</sub> and total emission duration held constant. Patterns are indistinguishable on all but shortest time scales, below likely threshold for discovery in geologic record.



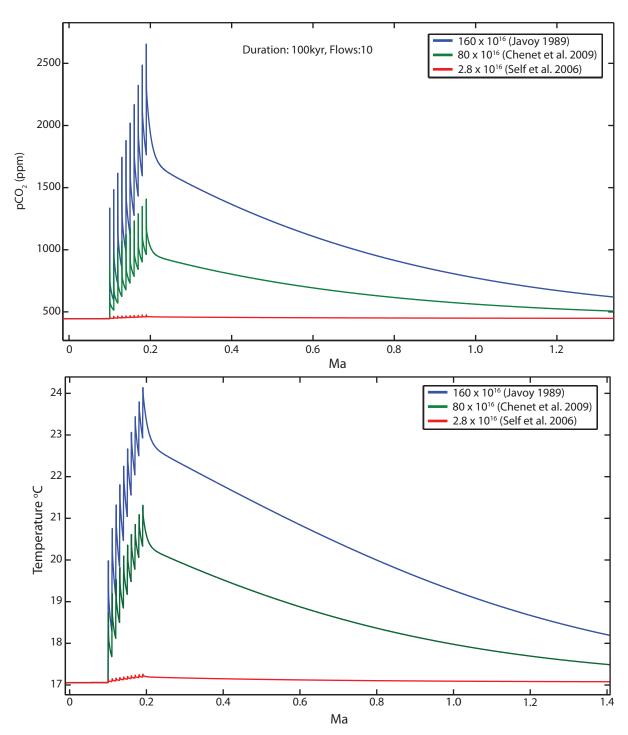
**Figure 5.3.** Sensitivity test for total duration of volcanic event for between 10 and 200 ka with total volume of  $\mathrm{CO}_2$  and number of eruptive events held constant. Modelled  $\mathrm{CO}_2$  concentrations (top) and global average temperature (bottom). Patterns are very simlar after 100 ka from emission start, and are almost indistinguishable after all emission in each scenario has ended.

unrealistically short. Even then the duration over which differences occur would be challenging to resolve with paleotemperature proxies.

However, the total volume of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted was found to be a very important variable. Estimating the volume of CO<sub>2</sub> released from the Deccan Traps is challenging due to a number of factors, the two most important of which are estimating the original un-eroded or un-exposed basalt volume, and estimating the original CO<sub>2</sub> percent by weight in the lava. Published CO<sub>2</sub> releases range over almost two orders of magnitude (Chenet et al., 2009; Javoy and Michard, 1989; Self et al., 2006). The largest of these volumes produces global warming of about 7°C, much higher than any paleotemperature proxy data would suggest, while the lowest volumes produce less than 0.25°C of warming (Fig. 5.4). The warming observed in Tobin et al. (2012) was 2-7°C (with uncertainties) at a high latitude location for each phase of Deccan volcanism. Given the increased temperature sensitivity of polar locations to overall global temperature change (Holland and Bitz, 2003), the Deccan traps are at least plausibly capable of generating the warming event recorded, but this plausibility hinges strongly on the published estimates for released CO<sub>2</sub> volumes.

## **Model Comparison**

This model compares reasonably well with similar models. When compared with other direct attempts to model Deccan climate (Caldeira and Rampino, 1990a, 1990b), our model generates the same order of magnitude increases in atmospheric  $CO_2$  given the same emission scenarios, as well as similar  $CO_2$  decay rates. Had these studies employed our model they would have reached similar conclusions. Additionally, this model (when configured for the right initial conditions) also generates similar results to the more complex carbon cycle model employed by Walker and Kasting (1992) to model modern fossil fuel emissions. This in particular increases my confidence in this simpler model, as does the comparison made by Archer et al. (2009) demonstrating that on timescales that are potentially useful to geologists (10 ka) the unmodified



**Figure 5.4.** Model sensitivity test to published estimates of CO<sub>2</sub> release from Deccan traps volcanism with total duration and number of eruptive episodes held constant. Range of published values result in negligible to severe warming, and this uncertainty is the primary uncertainty in any temperature increase. Published high latitude warming estimates of 4-5°C (Tobin et al. 2012) are consistent with a global temperature increase of 2 °C assuming polar amplification (Holland and Bitz 2003).

GEOCARB model compares well with much more complex general circulation models. However, it would be preferable in the future to employ more complex models, particularly general circulation models, to examine finer spatial scales. Given the potential differences we observe between Antarctica and North America in Chapters 3 and 4, it would be valuable to know if such differences are compatible with a single warming event being different in either terrestrial or marine settings.

#### **Conclusion and Future Work**

Despite decades of study, there is still a considerable amount of research that needs to be completed on mass extinctions in general, and the K-Pg mass extinction specifically. This dissertation has helped illuminate some of the paleoclimatic conditions that are changing around the end Cretaceous extinction, which appear to be correlated with paleobiological disturbances (Chapters 3 and 4). Chapter 2 has potentially shed some light on why ammonites, which were so abundant and diverse prior to the end Cretaceous, were completely exterminated when other less common but morphologically similar groups, like *Nautilus*, survived the extinction. This work, like much scientific research, has also led to further questions.

It is difficult to compare the two K-Pg temperature records (Chapter 3 and 4) with each other. Given the stratigraphic uncertainties that are unavoidable in the Hell Creek area, it is unlikely that these issues will ever fully be resolved using just these field sites. We cannot currently determine if the cooling trend observed over the last 25 meters of the Cretaceous in Montana is equivalent to the entire period of warming and subsequent cooling on Seymour Island, in which case the temperature records are contradictory. It is also possible that the cooling in Montana is just capturing the same cooling, post-warming event, than that observed in Seymour Island. If these records are contradictory, they could both may still be correct for their local area, as the local responses to global climatic shifts are not necessarily identical. Future high resolution studies of other terrestrial and marine depositional environments with more global spatial coverage would be ideal, though areas where simultaneous detailed geochemical and paleobiological studies are possible are not common.

The advent and application of clumped isotope paleothermometry may also allow other terrestrial sites to produce temperature records, but additional and more robust geochemical reservoirs would broaden the potential areas in which this method can be applied. I am currently

reworking an NSF proposal to investigate gar (ganoid) scales as one potential target. Ganoid scales are made of apatite, into which minor amounts of carbonate substitute, and can be analyzed using clumped isotopic techniques. This approach was pioneered on apatite in teeth material (REF Eagle11,12) to look at animal body temperature. Fish like gar, however, will preserve the water temperature. Gar scales can be very common in the vertebrate record, as each organism will produce hundreds, and they have limited paleobiological value once the presence of gar has been noted. As apatite is a very robust mineral, these fossils have the potential to allow more reliable and more common paleotemperature estimates to be made, providing the proxy relationship can be established.

Detailed isotopic sampling of single fossil samples may help to solve some of the questions arising from Chapters 2 and 4. In finding the  $\delta^{13}$ C anomaly in ammonites, one potential cause of the pattern might be that ammonites are older than bivalves. Though many ammonite shells are too thin or damaged to generate an ontogenetic series of samples, some could be sampled, and I hope to soon investigate whether ammonites start at similar  $\delta^{13}$ C values to the benthic mollusks, or whether they spend their whole life fractionating carbon differently. If it is their whole life, it would support the hypothesis that a more active metabolism is responsible for lower  $\delta^{13}$ C values, while an ontogenetic decrease would suggest it more likely a consequence of body size and/or age. Detailed sampling can also help resolve one of the questions raised in Chapter 4, which is whether the decrease in temperature observed is a consequence of a true climatic temperature shift, or of a change in the growth season(s) of the mussels. We may be able to see if different portions of the seasonal cycle are present in the cold and warm temperature mussels.

While not specific to the K-Pg boundary, isotopic study of other ammonite populations can be used as another test of the hypothesis outlined in Chapter 2, that ammonites are incorporating increased respired  $CO_2$  due to active swimming habits. There are a range of ammonite

morphologies, some of which are interpreted as active swimming, others as floating filter feeders. If a sufficiently diverse assemblage of likely coeval deposition can be found, I hope to complete a comparative study of  $\delta^{13}$ C and morphology, ideally in conjunction with the ontogenetic sampling described above. I hope to continue to advance the scientific understanding of both the causes and effects of the K-Pg extinction, and if these methods continue to be successful to apply them to other mass extinctions.

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Appendix 2.1 Sample Number	Group	Strat	Analysis#	Mineralogy	Preparation	Flags	813C_VPDB	StdDev_d13C	6180_CorrAcid	StdDev_d180
LB05-01B	Bivalve	0	8241	Aragonite	Micromill	0	0.10248	0.026	0.224697512	0.028
LB05-01B	Bivalve	0	8242	Aragonite	Micromill	0	0.56815	0.015	0.568969606	0.025
LB05-01B	Bivalve	0	8243	Aragonite	Micromill	0	1.2732	0.007	0.576971229	0.026
LB05-01C	Rotularia	0	8538	Calcite	Micromill	0	1.408	0.022	0.474236335	0.044
LB05-01C	Rotularia	0	8367	Calcite	Micromill	0	1.3829	0.016	0.194790369	0.036
LB05-01C	Rotularia	0	8299	Calcite	Micromill	0	1.0402	0.03	0.598232374	0.044
LB05-01C	Rotularia	0	8368	Calcite	Micromill	0	0.89666	0.013	0.334544723	0.038
LB05-01C	Rotularia	0	8300	Calcite	Micromill	1000	0.25826	0.028	-0.265752758	0.05
LB06-04A	Gastropod	200.5	2929	Aragonite	Dremel	0	2.441	0.016	0.883996831	0.032
LB06-04A	Gastropod	200.5	8307	Aragonite	Micromill	0	1.3869	0.007	0.757751254	0.022
LB06-04A	Gastropod	200.5	8308	Aragonite	Micromill	0	2.3025	0.015	1.06658759	0.014
LB06-04A	Gastropod	200.5	8309	Aragonite	Micromill	0	2.9186	0.019	1.079637013	0.038
LB06-04A	Gastropod	200.5	2892	Aragonite	Dremel	0	0.68143	0.029	0.900991428	0.035
LB06-04A	Gastropod	200.5	7266	Aragonite	Micromill	0	2.6173	0.014	1.163294939	0.032
LB07-401-ALT	Ammonite	394.9	11836	Aragonite	Crush	0	-10.0052	0.022	-0.256547838	0.048
LB07-401-ALT	Ammonite	394.9	11837	Aragonite	Crush	10	-10.0634	0.077	-0.345656225	0.066
LB07-402	Ammonite	394.9	11838	Aragonite	Crush	0	-0.54764	0.028	1.356373744	0.028
LB07-402	Ammonite	394.9	11839	Aragonite	Crush	0	-0.53058	0.012	1.347377138	0.033
LB07-403	Echinoid	394.9	11871	Calcite	Crush	0	13.0459	0.019	1.0935	0.027
LB07-403	Echinoid	394.9	11872	Calcite	Crush	0	12.9324	0.039	1.4048	0.018
LB07-400	Ammonite	407.9	11831	Aragonite	Crush	0	1.8657	0.021	1.271305833	0.033
LB07-400	Ammonite	407.9	11835	Aragonite	Crush	0	1.6478	0.033	1.030996481	0.032
LB07-404	Bivalve	407.9	11873	Calcite	Crush	0	2.8056	0.045	0.45605	0.035
LB07-404	Bivalve	407.9	11874	Calcite	Crush	0	2.9784	0.043	0.45505	0.029
LB07-405	Gastropod	422.9	11875	Aragonite	Crush	0	4.02	0.023	1.508316429	0.021
LB07-405	Gastropod	422.9	11876	Aragonite	Crush	0	4.2892	0.036	1.596783058	0.039
LB07-406	Echinoid	422.9	11877	Calcite	Crush	0	20.6466	0.013	0.93638	0.01
LB07-406	Echinoid	422.9	11881	Calcite	Crush	1000	20.3523	0.021	0.88964	0.027
LB07-407	Ammonite	422.9	11882	Aragonite	Crush	0	0.37486	0.031	1.338380532	0.031
LB07-407	Ammonite	422.9	11883	Aragonite	Crush	0	0.46828	0.015	1.337380909	0.016
LB07-408	Ammonite	422.9	11884	Aragonite	Crush	0	2.9834	0.029	0.676230304	0.026
LB07-408	Ammonite	422.9	11885	Aragonite	Crush	0	0.060472	0.039	0.618602043	0.015

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LB08-405	Gastropod	577.7	11931	Aragonite	Crush	0	3.597	0.026	1.929457569	0.03
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806.4	806.4	806.4	806.4	806.4	806.4	806.4	806.4	806.4	806.4	806.4	806.4	806.4	806.4	806.4	806.4	813.9	813.9	820.4	820.4	820.4	820.4	820.4	820.4	820.4	820.4	820.4	820.4	820.4	820.4	820.4	820.4	820.4
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864.25	864.25	867.7	867.7	867.7	867.7	867.7	867.7	880.2	880.2	880.2	880.2	880.2	890.9	890.9	890.9	890.9	890.9	890.9	890.9	890.9	890.9	899.9	910.5	910.5	910.5	910.5	910.5	921.1	921.1	921.1	921.1
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LB09-43B	LB09-43B	LB10-10A	LB10-10A	LB10-10B	LB10-10B	LB10-10B	LB10-10B	LB10-11A	LB10-11A	LB10-11A	LB10-11A	LB10-11A	LB10-12A	LB10-12A	LB10-12B	LB10-12B	LB10-12B	LB10-12B	LB10-12B	LB10-12B	LB10-12B	LB10-13A	LB10-14E	LB10-14E	LB10-14E	LB10-14E	LB10-14E	LB10-15A	LB10-15B	LB10-15C	LB10-15C

LB10-15D	Bivalve	921.1	2879	Aragonite	Dremel	0	3.2714	0.007	1.579156773	0.023
LB10-15D	Bivalve	921.1	7262	Aragonite	Micromill	0	3.0655	0.02	1.257675647	0.027
LB10-15D	Bivalve	921.1	8384	Aragonite	Micromill	0	3.122	0.019	0.892392971	0.036
LB10-15D	Bivalve	921.1	8296	Aragonite	Micromill	0	3.5045	0.04	1.288528933	0.014
LB10-15D	Bivalve	921.1	8347	Aragonite	Micromill	0	3.5912	0.025	1.137803044	0.031
LB10-15D	Bivalve	921.1	8297	Aragonite	Micromill	0	0.78289	0.029	0.791740448	0.019
LB10-15D	Bivalve	921.1	8348	Aragonite	Micromill	0	0.74897	0.028	0.577031924	0.04
LB10-15D	Bivalve	921.1	8317	Aragonite	Micromill	0	2.0502	0.016	1.165520422	0.01
LB10-15D	Bivalve	921.1	8349	Aragonite	Micromill	0	2.1505	0.02	1.070937398	0.044
LB10-15E	Gastropod	921.1	2882	Aragonite	Dremel	0	-4.2759	0.023	0.821177517	0.027
LB10-17A	Bivalve	930	2872	Aragonite	Dremel	0	0.84101	0.017	1.522103483	0.044

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StdDev d180	0.029	0.046	0.041	0.015	0.044	0.025	0.032	0.025	0.019	0.02	0.076	0.032	0.068	0.03	0.026	0.018	0.055	0.031	0.044	0.036	0.063	0.029	0.016	0.043	0.016	0.038	0.043	0.08	0.026	0.111	0.011	0.061
d180 VPDB StdE	$\sim$ 1	1.2361	1.2968	0.64722	0.6495	1.4331	1.4299	1.4622	1.3018	1.4223	-1.1779	-1.2646	0.41258	0.24758	0.1778	0.014175	1.3722	1.4498	1.6028	0.51834	0.46002	1.1096	1.09	0.77048	0.73997	0.56758	1.4449	1.4961	1.0493	0.9401	0.90513	73267
StdDev d13C d2		0.015	0.049	0.028	0.062	0.013	0.049	0.047	0.022	0.058	0.071	0.071	0.052	0.012	0.013	0.037	0.057	0.062	0.075	0.009	0.069	0.092	0.014	0.046	0.02	0.05	0.041	0.049	0.025	0.032	0.024	0.069
d13C VPDB		2.5946	2.5749	-1.0502	-1.0078	1.975	1.7586	1.8393	0.96558	1.2208	-7.2345	-7.1836	-2.2905	-2.3811	2.8449	2.8374	1.837	2.1358	2.1132	-4.3805	-3.2461	-2.8713	2.6918	2.6848	1.9591	1.9748	-2.6482	-2.4694	-1.5602	-1.5242	2.165	2.1319
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Appendix 2.2 Sample PRI#	<u>Т</u> 1	H1	П1	ТТ2	ТТ2	Т13	Щ3	Щ3	ТТ4	ТТ4	TT5	TT5	9Ш	9Ш	<b>1</b> 1	117	<b>8</b> Ц	21	<b>8</b> Ц	6Ш	<b>6</b> LL	<b>6</b> LL	TT10	TT10	П11	TT11	TT12	Т12	П13	TT13	TT14	TT14

TT14	65717 Bivalve	838	25844 aragonite	micromilled	0	2.0361	0.057	0.74452	0.047
TT15	58309 Ammonite	883	24831 aragonite	crushed	0	-1.1598	0.01	1.5845	0.036
TT15	58309 Ammonite	883	25823 aragonite	crushed	0	-1.254	0.024	1.5975	0.011
TT16	60541 Bivalve	975	24868 aragonite	micromilled	0	1.4957	0.027	1.1695	0.018
TT16	60541 Bivalve	975	25723 aragonite	micromilled	10	1.3933	0.068	0.89999	0.014
TT16	60541 Bivalve	975	25903 aragonite	micromilled	0	1.2898	0.024	0.80737	0.049
TT16	60541 Bivalve	975	26339 aragonite	micromilled	10	1.7369	0.127	1.1813	0.052
Т117	60644 Ammonite	975	24958 aragonite	crushed	0	-2.9604	0.018	0.60147	0.011
Т117	60644 Ammonite	975	25777 aragonite	crushed	0	-3.218	0.026	0.61987	0.035
TT18	65718 Bivalve	1046	24823 aragonite	micromilled	0	-0.31247	0.021	0.17314	0.031
Т18	65718 Bivalve	1046	25789 aragonite	micromilled	0	-0.19639	0.046	0.20956	0.034
TT19	65719 Bivalve	883	24803 aragonite	micromilled	0	0.59913	0.015	1.6565	0.029
TT19	65719 Bivalve	883	25816 aragonite	micromilled	0	0.88836	0.026	1.7157	0.051
ТТ19	65719 Bivalve	883	26350 aragonite	micromilled	0	1.0015	0.047	2.2395	0.046
TT20	60503 Ammonite	883	24957 aragonite	micromilled	0	-7.907	0.022	1.4186	0.028
TT20	60503 Ammonite	883	25758 aragonite	micromilled	0	-7.8567	0.052	1.4049	0.041
ТТ21	65720 Gastropod	883	24959 aragonite	micromilled	0	2.5262	0.004	0.5009	0.014
ТТ21	65720 Gastropod	883	25804 aragonite	micromilled	0	2.411	0.042	0.28945	0.023
ТТ22	60557 Bivalve	1013	24846 aragonite	micromilled	0	3.1046	0.013	1.1231	0.036
ТТ22	60557 Bivalve	1013	25699 aragonite	micromilled	0	2.998	0.019	0.91662	0.011
ТТ22	60557 Bivalve	1013	25881 aragonite	micromilled	0	3.0106	0.043	0.98016	0.025
ТТ23	60562 Bivalve	1013	24937 aragonite	micromilled	0	2.4529	0.042	0.77801	0.042
ТТ23	60562 Bivalve	1013	25821 aragonite	micromilled	0	2.5165	0.025	0.78203	0.041
TT24	60530 Gastropod	1016	24869 aragonite	micromilled	1000	0.63351	0.017	0.86673	0.028
TT24	60530 Gastropod	1016	25825 aragonite	micromilled	0	0.63324	0.046	0.69644	0.042
TT25	65721 Bivalve	1116	24855 aragonite	micromilled	0	4.5004	0.028	-0.79866	0.034
TT25	65721 Bivalve	1116	25701 aragonite	micromilled	0	4.398	0.032	-0.9943	0.023
TT25	65721 Bivalve	1116	25960 aragonite	micromilled	10	4.4831	0.095	-0.98495	0.057
TT26	65722 Bivalve	1201	24847 aragonite	micromilled	0	-1.1753	0.026	0.95681	0.027
TT26	65722 Bivalve	1201	25698 aragonite	micromilled	0	-1.2772	0.04	0.83427	0.04
TT26	65722 Bivalve	1201	25929 aragonite	micromilled	0	-1.1991	0.044	0.83943	0.037
ТТ27	65723 Bivalve	1011	25028 aragonite	micromilled	0	0.93279	0.03	1.1653	0.036
TT27	65723 Bivalve	1011	25950 aragonite	micromilled	10	1.0113	0.088	1.1884	0.044
ТТ28	65724 Gastropod	1011	24987 aragonite	crushed	0	0.9929	0.011	1.4264	0.017

0.026	0.018 0.036	0.055	0.049	0.041	0.041	0.038	0.017	0.029	0.04	0.055	0.056	0.045	0.046	0.063	0.02	0.021	0.043	0.029	0.023	0.049	0.015	0.031	0.014	0.028	0.02	0.03	0.037	0.025	0.01	0.054	0.029
1.3447	1.2348 1.1523	1.1153	1.0744	1.3013	1.3114	1.3965	1.796	1.1419	0.93651	0.98309	1.4029	1.2232	0.89903	0.69843	0.73021	0.87607	0.72374	0.77595	0.39337	0.27701	1.2028	1.1308	1.3779	1.5508	1.0847	0.77551	0.7117	0.6147	-0.58057	-0.63571	1.6204
0.034	0.037	0.034	0.055	0.016	90.0	0.034	0.08	0.013	0.059	0.059	0.045	0.052	0.024	0.064	0.034	0.017	0.038	0.053	0.016	0.067	0.02	0.048	0.025	0.038	0.033	0.062	0.028	0.057	0.018	0.055	0.008
0.60629	1.4542 1.6791	1.6439	1.7441	1.7607	1.8058	2.0527	2.307	3.3497	3.2389	3.2719	2.8021	2.7947	0.21562	0.23721	0.23299	-0.20357	-0.30672	-0.42199	-2.0175	-1.8077	-2.4913	-2.4604	1.1525	1.0596	2.9273	2.9929	2.0444	2.0919	1.2504	1.1575	0.99627
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	24924 aragonite 25943 aragonite	24895 aragonite	25883 aragonite	24809 aragonite	25732 aragonite	25907 aragonite	26355 aragonite	24865 aragonite	25696 aragonite	25961 aragonite	24880 aragonite	25799 aragonite	24812 aragonite	25706 aragonite	25942 aragonite	24858 aragonite	25733 aragonite	25886 aragonite	25018 aragonite	25926 aragonite	25027 aragonite	25885 aragonite	25019 aragonite	25893 aragonite	24835 aragonite	25756 aragonite	24916 calcite	25906 calcite	24946 aragonite	25802 aragonite	24860 aragonite
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	60586 Gastropod 60586 Gastropod	65725 Bivalve	65725 Bivalve	65726 Bivalve	65726 Bivalve	65726 Bivalve	65726 Bivalve	58307 Bivalve	58307 Bivalve	58307 Bivalve	65728 Bivalve	65728 Bivalve	65727 Gastropod	65727 Gastropod	65727 Gastropod	58776 Gastropod	58776 Gastropod	58776 Gastropod	65729 Bivalve	65729 Bivalve	58310 Ammonite	58310 Ammonite	65730 Gastropod	65730 Gastropod	65731 Bivalve	65731 Bivalve	65732 Bivalve	65732 Bivalve	58733 Ammonite	58733 Ammonite	65733 Gastropod
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918 26351 calcite	micromilled	nilled	0	3.6388	0.034	1.0814	0.028
431 24992 aragonite	e micromilled	illed	0	1.6414	0.012	0.75773	0.034
431 25959 aragonite	_	illed	10	1.4923	0.086	0.7318	0.04
986 24891 aragonite	e micromilled	illed	0	-3.263	0.019	0.43226	0.065
986 25894 aragonite	te micromilled	nilled	0	-3.1671	0.042	0.43144	0.045
950 24991 aragonite	te micromilled	nilled	0	1.6072	0.027	1.2637	0.038
950 25902 aragonite	ite crushed	<b>T</b>	0	1.8235	0.027	1.3201	0.032
919 24807 aragonite	te crushed	~	0	1.5931	0.03	1.0003	0.022
919 25820 aragonite	te crushed	~	10	1.6487	0.064	1.0857	0.037
917 25005 aragonite	te crushed	<b>T</b>	0	-0.49171	0.017	0.77181	0.028
917 25953 aragonite	te crushed	~	10	-0.19483	0.061	0.75499	0.032
917 26354 aragonite	ite crushed	~	10	-0.15895	0.065	0.99638	0.017
917 24857 aragonite	te micromilled	nilled	0	3.7005	0.018	1.5303	0.038
917 25717 aragonite	ite micromilled	nilled	0	3.6524	0.054	1.2836	0.042
917 25952 aragonite	te micromilled	nilled	10	3.6284	0.079	1.2908	0.066
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873 25007 aragonite	te crushed	~	0	2.9824	0.005	1.7037	0.026
873 25916 aragonite	ite crushed	~	10	2.7071	0.08	1.6099	0.029
873 26366 aragonite	ite crushed	~	10	3.2371	0.068	2.0718	0.035
925 25016 aragonite	ite micromilled	nilled	0	-0.7005	0.021	0.76187	0.019
925 25891 aragonite	ite micromilled	nilled	0	-0.70544	0.035	0.70584	0.052
873 24936 aragonite	ite micromilled	nilled	0	-4.2603	0.029	1.0822	0.017
873 25768 aragonite	te micromilled	nilled	0	-3.9919	0.052	1.0026	0.023
873 26352 aragonite	te micromilled	nilled	10	-3.6889	0.081	1.2251	0.062
863 24800 aragonite	e micromilled	nilled	0	-3.7029	0.045	0.21365	0.048
863 25718 aragonite	e micromilled		1000	-3.7309	0.056	0.12317	0.063
863 25915 aragonite	e micromilled	nilled	10	-3.6515	0.065	0.28831	0.031
867 24814 aragonite	te crushed	~	0	1.1734	0.013	1.6113	0.02
867 25745 aragonite	ite crushed	~	0	1.7006	0.03	1.654	0.031
867 26361 aragonite	pite critched		110.1	171.4923	24.768	419.4509	28.812

1170	65750 Gastropod	867	24818 aragonite	crushed	0	1.6553	0.018	1.2364	0.011
	65750 Gastropod	867	25719 aragonite	crushed	0	1.6402	90.0	1.1762	0.035
	65750 Gastropod	867	25848 aragonite	crushed	0	1.539	0.038	1.3351	0.021
	65751 Gastropod	885	24810 aragonite	crushed	0	-0.50523	0.013	1.5012	0.05
	65751 Gastropod	885	25742 aragonite	crushed	10	-0.39283	0.071	1.4655	0.028
	58657 Gastropod	#N/A	25003 aragonite	crushed	0	3.1159	0.014	1.1333	0.015
	58657 Gastropod	#N/A	25938 aragonite	crushed	0	3.2438	0.034	1.229	0.037
	65752 Bivalve	#N/A	24952 aragonite	micromilled	0	1.7453	0.008	0.71329	0.028
	65752 Bivalve	#N/A	25788 calcite	micromilled	0	1.8004	0.04	0.99232	0.044
	58601 Gastropod	#N/A	24811 aragonite	crushed	0	-1.6357	0.015	1.0995	0.039
	58601 Gastropod	#N/A	25734 aragonite	crushed	0	-1.6304	0.051	1.0935	0.044
	58601 Gastropod	#N/A	25849 aragonite	crushed	0	-1.9466	0.041	1.0543	0.043
	58040 Gastropod	785	24939 aragonite	crushed	0	4.5036	0.018	1.4033	0.019
	58040 Gastropod	785	25759 aragonite	crushed	10	4.1443	0.065	1.4251	0.032
	58040 Gastropod	785	26356 aragonite	crushed	10	4.6136	0.068	1.713	0.048
	65753 Ammonite	925	24963 aragonite	crushed	1000	-2.4204	0.015	1.3189	0.026
	65753 Ammonite	925	25779 aragonite	crushed	0	-2.4631	0.043	1.3155	0.015
	65754 Bivalve	693	24798 aragonite	micromilled	1010	3.3269	0.062	1.2388	0.063
	65754 Bivalve	693	25757 aragonite	micromilled	0	3.2908	0.044	1.2523	0.042
	65755 Ammonite	692	24890 aragonite	micromilled	10	-1.2818	0.079	0.88159	0.083
	65755 Ammonite	692	25974 aragonite	micromilled	0	-1.4102	0.053	0.82716	0.075
	65756 Ammonite	692	24894 aragonite	micromilled	10	-2.5685	0.121	1.0373	0.053
	65756 Ammonite	692	25845 aragonite	micromilled	0	-2.5049	0.024	1.0491	0.046
	65757 Bivalve	693	24905 aragonite	micromilled	0	3.3582	0.04	1.3263	0.031
	65757 Bivalve	693	25861 aragonite	micromilled	10	3.3044	0.068	1.2097	0.052
	65758 Gastropod	1058	24947 aragonite	micromilled	0	-2.4545	0.052	-0.77316	0.042
	65758 Gastropod	1058	25794 aragonite	micromilled	0	-2.4282	0.023	-0.83201	0.022
	58105 Bivalve	785	24830 aragonite	micromilled	0	6.2073	0.026	1.0295	0.015
	58105 Bivalve	785	25702 aragonite	micromilled	10	6.2155	0.067	0.90532	0.044
	58105 Bivalve	785	25847 aragonite	micromilled	10	6.2046	0.061	0.9802	0.04
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	65759 Ammonite	845	25897 aragonite	micromilled	10	-1.982	0.083	0.63505	0.061
	65759 Ammonite	845	26344 aragonite	micromilled	10	-1.2281	0.077	1.0445	0.058

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0.021	0.037	0.025	0.032	0.042	0.041	0.02	0.047	90.0	0.042	0.032	0.043	0.045	0.074	0.051	0.026	0.045	0.053	0.024	0.058	0.03	0.023	0.05	0.046	0.026	0.012	0.027	0.022	0.034	0.03	0.048	0.086	0.046	0.068
0.25568	0.5223	0.50907	1.6477	1.4824	1.5595	1.4383	1.4818	0.4696	0.38363	1.2279	1.2114	1.5339	1.4515	1.5391	1.8464	1.04	0.9353	0.76521	0.53339	0.77788	0.77771	1.4751	1.3352	1.6166	1.6375	0.10218	0.050487	99066.0	0.79259	0.87528	0.7331	0.58405	0.71959
90.0	0.036	0.029	0.016	0.049	0.071	0.029	0.056	0.048	0.034	0.017	0.054	0.021	0.061	0.037	0.067	0.012	0.047	0.031	0.041	0.019	0.053	0.023	0.029	0.023	0.017	0.038	0.032	0.012	0.037	0.056	0.075	0.022	0.099
-3.7972	1.3909	1.5235	1.8671	2.0747	2.0909	0.39263	0.34897	0.28779	0.29559	2.4002	2.3472	-0.57752	-1.4127	-1.2417	-0.86291	1.2662	1.2367	0.7139	0.63276	0.23805	0.26265	-0.15566	-0.15868	0.81021	0.8043	-0.45379	-0.48945	0.15115	0.178	0.12231	-0.28112	-0.42322	0.77027
0	1000	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1010	0	10
micromilled	micromilled	micromilled	micromilled	micromilled	micromilled	crushed	crushed	micromilled	micromilled	micromilled	micromilled	crushed	crushed	crushed	crushed	micromilled	micromilled	micromilled	micromilled	micromilled	micromilled	crushed	crushed	crushed	crushed	micromilled	micromilled	crushed	crushed	crushed	micromilled	micromilled	crushed
25948 aragonite		25778 aragonite	24822 aragonite	25724 aragonite	25914 aragonite	25015 aragonite	25890 aragonite	24950 aragonite	25766 aragonite	24995 calcite	25884 calcite	24819 aragonite	25729 aragonite	25834 aragonite	26363 aragonite	25029 aragonite	25857 aragonite	24878 aragonite	25754 aragonite	24994 aragonite	25872 aragonite	24900 aragonite	25930 aragonite	24983 aragonite	25880 aragonite	24844 aragonite	25769 aragonite	24859 aragonite	25722 aragonite	25973 aragonite	24903 aragonite	25866 aragonite	25951 aragonite
871	982	982	838	838	838	266	266	266	266	266	266	266	266	266	266	953	953	629	629	958	958	897	897	931	931	1071	1071	672	672	672	672	672	1168
65789 Ammonite	65775 Bivalve	65775 Bivalve	65786 Bivalve	65786 Bivalve	65786 Bivalve	61233 Gastropod	61233 Gastropod	65792 Bivalve	65792 Bivalve	61209 Bivalve	61209 Bivalve	65793 Ammonite	65793 Ammonite	65793 Ammonite	65793 Ammonite	62135 Bivalve	62135 Bivalve	65794 Gastropod	65794 Gastropod	65795 Gastropod	65795 Gastropod	65796 Gastropod	65796 Gastropod	65797 Gastropod	65797 Gastropod	65798 Bivalve	65798 Bivalve	65799 Gastropod	65799 Gastropod	65799 Gastropod	62079 Gastropod	62079 Gastropod	62139 Bivalve
TT128	TT129	TT129	TT130	TT130	TT130	TT131	TT131	TT132	TT132	TT133	TT133	TT134	TT134	TT134	TT134	TT135	TT135	TT136	TT136	TT137	TT137	TT138	TT138	TT139	TT139	TT140	TT140	TT141	TT141	TT141	TT142	TT142	TT143

ТТ143	62139 Bivalve	1168	26353 aragonite	crushed	0	1.112	0.044	1.1298	0.039
TT144	65797 Gastropod	931	24875 aragonite	micromilled	0	0.42147	0.023	1.0935	0.017
TT144	65797 Gastropod	931	25713 aragonite	micromilled	10	0.38875	0.068	1.0135	0.043
TT144	65797 Gastropod	931	25838 aragonite	micromilled	0	0.38015	0.043	0.8193	0.057
TT145	62119 Gastropod	957	24834 aragonite	crushed	0	-0.10967	0.017	1.4159	0.03
TT145	62119 Gastropod	957	25743 aragonite	crushed	0	-0.068747	0.033	1.3343	0.027
TT146	61030 Bivalve	362	24899 aragonite	micromilled	0	3.6141	0.055	-0.028197	0.036
TT146	61030 Bivalve	962	25949 aragonite	micromilled	0	3.5772	0.051	-0.099765	0.055
TT147	61026 Gastropod	822	25017 aragonite	crushed	0	2.8268	0.018	1.471	0.019
TT147	61026 Gastropod	822	25895 aragonite	crushed	10	2.89	0.069	1.538	0.023
TT148	65802 Bivalve	1028	24948 calcite	micromilled	0	2.0875	0.032	0.56604	0.022
TT148	65802 Bivalve	1028	25753 calcite	micromilled	0	2.0438	0.037	0.56037	0.03
TT149	65803 Bivalve	896	24821 calcite	micromilled	0	2.3179	0.019	1.1265	0.052
TT149	65803 Bivalve	896	25824 aragonite	micromilled	10	2.3578	0.067	0.62202	0.027
TT149	65803 Bivalve	896	26362 calcite	micromilled	10	2.807	0.079	1.4727	0.055
TT150	65804 Bivalve	1023	24945 calcite	micromilled	0	3.3784	0.022	0.77805	0.011
TT150	65804 Bivalve	1023	25822 calcite	micromilled	0	3.5088	0.049	0.95862	0.052
TT151	65805 Bivalve	1017	24901 calcite	micromilled	1000	3.306	0.047	0.8886	0.052
TT151	65805 Bivalve	1017	25936 calcite	micromilled	10	3.286	0.068	0.63032	0.052
TT152	60966 Gastropod	827	24801 aragonite	crushed	0	2.8199	0.016	1.2532	0.008
TT152	60966 Gastropod	827	25746 aragonite	crushed	0	2.8711	0.044	1.2494	90.0
TT153	60948 Bivalve	827	24849 aragonite	micromilled	0	-2.1189	0.019	-0.016115	0.031
TT153	60948 Bivalve	827	25711 aragonite	micromilled	0	-2.0901	0.057	-0.11796	0.057
TT153	60948 Bivalve	827	25947 aragonite	micromilled	0	-2.0718	0.025	-0.1182	0.051
TT154	60967 Bivalve	1020	25009 calcite	micromilled	0	2.874	0.016	1.033	0.013
TT154	60967 Bivalve	1020	25912 calcite	micromilled	0	2.8528	0.045	1.0079	0.015
TT155	65806 Bivalve	1031	24984 calcite	micromilled	0	5.2911	0.034	-1.6592	0.037
TT155	65806 Bivalve	1031	25870 calcite	micromilled	0	5.2395	0.045	-1.4801	0.047

flagged samples (except just 1000, removed)

Appendix 3.1	ix 3.1.		LB06-10	-56.78126	-64.25085	LB08-09	-56.74270	-64.25770	LB09-19	-56.72257	-64.26216
-	:		LB06-11	-56.78068	-64.25107	LB08-10	-56.74252	-64.25781	LB09-20	-56.72257	-64.26218
Paleomagr samnling k	Paleomagnetic and fossil sampling localities and GPS	SSil d GPS	LB06-12	-56.77991	-64.25120	LB08-11	-56.74245	-64.25782	LB09-21	-56.72168	-64.26334
points.	ocalitics an		LB06-13	-56.77818	-64.25144	LB08-12	-56.74204	-64.25788	LB09-22	-56.72148	-64.26380
Horizon	Long	Lat	LB06-14	-56.77710	-64.25144	LB08-13	-56.74230	-64.25842	LB09-23	-56.72128	-64.26386
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LB05-02	-56.81210	-64.25101	LB06-16	-56.77484	-64.25182	LB08-15	-56.73935	-64.25903	LB09-25	-56.72058	-64.26426
LB05-04	-56.81099	-64.25130	LB06-17	-56.77431	-64.25189	LB08-16	-56.73959	-64.25920	LB09-26	-56.71998	-64.26499
LB05-05	-56.81005	-64.25138	LB06-18	-56.77320	-64.25205	LB08-17	-56.73935	-64.25935	LB09-27	-56.72137	-64.27007
LB05-06	-56.80970	-64.25210	LB07-01	-56.77266	-64.25229	LB08-18	-56.73800	-64.25981	LB09-28	-56.72084	-64.27126
LB05-07	-56.80914	-64.25213	LB07-02	-56.77157	-64.25243	LB08-19	-56.73721	-64.25955	LB09-29	-56.72102	-64.27114
LB05-08	-56.80882	-64.25232	LB07-03	-56.76969	-64.25275	LB08-20	-56.73618	-64.25896	LB09-30	-56.72045	-64.27166
LB05-09	-56.80836	-64.25263	LB07-04	-56.76854	-64.25341	LB08-21	-56.73539	-64.25906	LB09-31	-56.72010	-64.27229
LB05-10	-56.80794	-64.25266	LB07-05	-56.76778	-64.25351	LB08-22	-56.73271	-64.26001	LB09-32	-56.71881	-64.27215
LB05-11	-56.80374	-64.25134	LB07-06	-56.76689	-64.25365	LB08-23	-56.73136	-64.25986	LB09-33	-56.71874	-64.27213
LB05-12	-56.80075	-64.25028	LB07-07	-56.76566	-64.25397	LB09-01	-56.72899	-64.26019	LB09-34	-56.71852	-64.27214
LB05-13	-56.79858	-64.24982	LB07-08	-56.76396	-64.25401	LB09-02	-56.72884	-64.26020	LB09-35	-56.71840	-64.27216
LB05-14	-56.79561	-64.24965	LB07-09	-56.76240	-64.25419	LB09-03	-56.72805	-64.26082	LB09-36	-56.71864	-64.27256
LB05-15	-56.79314	-64.24930	LB07-10	-56.76149	-64.25446	LB09-04	-56.72690	-64.26086	LB09-38	-56.71856	-64.27271
LB05-16	-56.79165	-64.24928	LB07-11	-56.76075	-64.25473	LB09-05	-56.72629	-64.26056	LB09-40	-56.71842	-64.27267
LB05-17	-56.79122	-64.24944	LB07-30	-56.75888	-64.25468	79-608T	-56.72617	-64.26086	LB09-42	-56.72007	-64.27356
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LB06-02	-56.78970	-64.25027	LB07-32	-56.75779	-64.25498	TB09-08	-56.72578	-64.26116	LB10-10	-56.72090	-64.27387
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LB06-04	-56.78817	-64.25075	LB07-34	-56.75710	-64.25575	LB09-10	-56.72542	-64.26143	LB10-12	-56.71818	-64.27493
LB06-05	-56.78662	-64.25114	LB07-35	-56.75618	-64.25636	LB09-12	-56.72502	-64.26164	LB10-13	-56.71687	-64.27533
TB06-06	-56.78390	-64.25056	LB07-36	-56.75383	-64.25682	LB09-13	-56.72469	-64.26145	LB10-14	-56.71653	-64.27553
LB06-07	-56.78272	-64.25057	LB08-01	-56.74541	-64.25633	LB09-14	-56.72474	-64.26143	LB10-15	-56.71656	-64.27577
LB06-08	-56.78229	-64.25064	LB08-04	-56.74544	-64.25634	LB09-15	-56.72379	-64.26192	LB10-16	-56.71374	-64.27629
LB06-09	-56.78220	-64.25075	LB08-05	-56.74455	-64.25691	LB09-17	-56.72316	-64.26207	LB10-17	-56.71354	-64.27653
			LB08-07	-56.74333	-64.25741	LB09-18	-56.72281	-64.26212			

Apper	Appendix 4.1			
Sample	Key for Figures MAP and R	Sample Key for Figures MAP and RESIDUALS, GPS coordinates are available to qualified researchers - please contact one of the first two authors	researchers - please contact one of the first	two authors
Letter	Туре	Description	Strat and Uncertainty ( $\pm$ 95% analytical, $\cdot$ Stratigraphic Height for Fossils geological) m	-Stratigraphic Height for Fossils
A	K-Pg	near McKeever Ranch 1 (UCMP-V72210)		
В	K-Pg	near Billy Creek 1 (UCMP-V72211) & 2 (V75173)		
ပ	K-Pg (Impact evidence)	Iridium Hill (no Trimble GPS) see Alvarez (1983)		
Ω	K-Pg (Impact evidence)	near Herpijunk Promontory (UCMP-V77129)		
Е	K-Pg (Impact evidence)	near Herpijunk Promontory (UCMP-V77129)		
ш	K-Pg	near Hell's Hollow Channel (UCMP-V74110)		
9	Fossil Sample	L0019 - Hartman (1998)	-10.7 ± 3.0, -2	From Hartman (1998) - beyond areal
				extent of stratigraphic plane, though
				consistent with stratigraphic plane
				value (15m ± 18m)
I	Fossil Sample	MacDonald (UCMP-72201)	33.6±3.3, -15	Stratigraphic plane assignment
_	K-Pg (Impact evidence)	Brownie Butte - see Bohor et al. (1984)		
ſ	K-Pg	Section G from Fastovsky (1987)		
¥	Fossil Sample	L5233A - Hartman (1998)	-26.3 ± 2.8, -3	Stratigraphic plane assignment
				(matches Hartman 1998)
_	Fossil Sample	L6214 & L6215 - Hartman (1998)	-4.3/-1.5 ± 3.0, 0, L6214-L6215	From Hartman (1998) - fault offsets
			stratigraphic distance fixed at 2.8m as	location from strat plane, location is
			measured in outcrop	also outside areal extent of
				stratigraphic plane - mapped fault
				offset matches strat plane offset
Σ	Fossil Sample	Happy Days	-65.4 ± 2.9, -1	Stratigraphic plane assignment
z	K-Pg (Impact evidence)	Lerbekmo Hill - see Baadsgaard et al. (1998)		
0	Fossil Sample	Gene Gastropod	$-20.5 \pm 2.6, 0$	Stratigraphic plane assignment
Ь	Fossil Sample	near MicrotetonB (UWBM-C1165)	$-66.0 \pm 2.5, -6$	Stratigraphic plane assignment
Ø	K-Pg	near Broken Hart (UCMP-V82026)		
R	Fossil Sample	Shiny Things (UWBM-C1178)	$-24.6 \pm 3.6, -2.5$	Stratigraphic plane assignment
S	K-Pg (Impact evidence)	Flag Butte - see Moore et al. (2014)		
<b>-</b>	Fossil Sample	near Harbaugh Ranch 1 (UWBM-C1420)	53.5 ± 11.6, -1	Stratigraphic plane assignment,
				outside areal extent of stratigraphic
				plane control, value matches within
				error with published geologic maps

Π	K-Pg	Carl's Pile		
>	K-Pg	2 km from Yoshi's Microsite (UWBM-C1667)		
<b>%</b>	K-Pg	near Flat Creek 5 (UCMP-V73087)		
×	Fossil Sample	L0010a - Hartman (1998)	$35.4 \pm 3.0, -10$	From Hartman (1998) - beyond strat.
				plane extent, geologic evidence on
				the ground contradicts theoretical
				strat. plane height
UCMP :	UCMP = University of California Museum of Paleonotology	useum of Paleonotology		
UWBM	UWBM = University of Washington Burke Museum	Burke Museum		
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## Appendix 4.2

## Matlab (\*.m) file titled KPgSurfaceFit.m

```
function [fitresult,gof] = KPgSurfaceFit(xK, yK, zK)
%CREATESURFACEFIT (XK, YK, ZK)
  Fit surface to data.
  Data for 'untitled fit 1' fit:
      X Input : xK
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      Y Input : yK
      Z output: zK
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      Weights: (none)
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  Output:
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       fitresult: an sfit object representing the fit.
       gof : structure with goodness-of fit info.
은
% See also FIT, SFIT.
% Auto-generated by MATLAB on 31-Jul-2013 11:26:46
% Edited by Tom Tobin shortly afterward to make a standalone m-file
% Added raw data for constructing K-Pg surface
% Requires sftool.m
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% HOW TO USE:
% 1. Place this file in your working matlab directory (or possibly set
% path to it)
  2. Type [model, gof] = KPgSurfaceFit()
  3. You will see a plot of the surface fit that you can play with
양
  4.
  5. use command:
% predint(model,[X,Y], 0.95, 'Observation') to find vertical 95% confidence
% interval bounds for the predicted surface height at any given location
% described by X,Y as easting and northing coordinates in UTM 13N - check
% that site is reasonably within areal extent of controlling points
  6. use model(X,Y) to get calculated surface value for that location
% N.B. Technically some trig should be used to project your sampling
% location perpendicular to the stratigraphic plane, but due to the
% shallowness of the dip (0.2 deg) this actually ends up being irrelevant
format long e
%Overrides any other x,y,z data to be the K-Pg surface data
east x=[
           3.550258530000000e+005
    3.239850780000000e+005
    3.366234050000000e+005
    3.367136130000000e+005
    3.378606570000000e+005
    3.253545950000000e+005
    3.252666400000000e+005
    3.865441540000000e+005
    3.865783770000000e+005
    3.482130770000000e+005
    3.540239730000000e+005
    3.828867180000000e+005
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3.489263380000000e+005
    3.933583190000000e+005
    3.595201380000000e+005];
             5.266644810000000e+006
north y=[
    5.273757185000000e+006
    5.267092774000000e+006
    5.266620670000000e+006
    5.266777047000000e+006
    5.276110774000000e+006
    5.276781925000000e+006
    5.283054277000000e+006
    5.283046457000000e+006
    5.266129535000000e+006
    5.265291846000000e+006
    5.278011040000000e+006
    5.265778457000000e+006
    5.264212543000000e+006
    5.268269448000000e+006];
elev z=[
            8.312411521000000e+002
    9.185127498000001e+002
    8.770822933000000e+002
    8.772815448000000e+002
    8.811629039000000e+002
    9.273169384000000e+002
    9.286120022000000e+002
    8.043067359000000e+002
    8.118614560000000e+002
    8.462170678000000e+002
    8.360298995000001e+002
    8.038597923000000e+002
    8.439968771000000e+002
    7.368498737000000e+002
    8.250231635000000e+002];
xK=east x;
yK=north y;
zK=elev z;
% End added data
%% Fit: 'untitled fit 1'.
ft = fittype( 'poly11' );
opts = fitoptions( ft );
opts.Robust = 'Bisquare';
opts. Weights = zeros(1,0);
[fitresult, gof] = fit([xK, yK], zK, ft, opts);
% Plot fit with data.
figure( 'Name', 'untitled fit 1');
h = plot(fitresult, [xK, yK], zK, 'Style', 'PredObs');
grid on
% Label axes
xlabel( 'xK' );
vlabel( 'vK' );
zlabel( 'zK' );
legend( h, 'untitled fit 1', 'zK vs. xK, yK', 'Location', 'NorthEast' );
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Appendix 4.3

Eagle 2013 Henkes BiogenicT 2013T	15.9 26.6	22.1 38.9			15.0 25.1	11.0 17.5	19.2 33.1	14.5 24.1	15.3 25.7	14.4 23.9		17.4 29.5					12.4 20.1	15.3 25.7		14.0 23.1	17.7 30.3	18.9 32.8	12.0 19.4		9.4 14.7		11.1 17.7	17.4 29.6	19.2 33.1	18.3 31.3	20.1 34.8
Eagle2013 AragoniteT	29.6	39.6	27.7	23.7	28.3	22.0	34.9	27.5	28.8	27.3	30.9	31.9	28.9	20.5	37.7	28.7	24.1	28.8	44.5	26.7	32.5	34.6	23.5	23.4	19.6	22.0	22.1	32.0	34.9	33.4	36.3
$\delta^{18}$ O <sub>w</sub> (err)									9.0									0.3				0.8					0.4			9.0	
$\delta^{18}O_{\rm w}$ (%)									-3.2									-15.5				-8.6					-8.9			-10.7	
95% (SE*1.96)									5.6									1.2				7.3					1.6			2.0	
95% (Zaarur)									2.5									1.5				7.5					2.0			2.0	
T (Zaarur)	27.4	34.5	26.1	23.2	26.5	21.9	31.2	25.9	26.7	25.7	28.3	29.1	26.9	20.8	33.2	26.8	23.4	26.7	37.9	25.3	29.5	30.8	23.0	22.9	20.1	21.9	22.0	29.1	31.2	30.1	32.2
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$\Delta_{47}$	0.692	0.664	0.698	0.710	0.696	0.716	0.677	0.699	0.695	0.699	0.689	0.686	0.694	0.720	0.669	0.695	0.709	0.695	0.652	0.701	0.684	0.679	0.711	0.711	0.723	0.715	0.715	0.685	0.677	0.681	0.673
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δ <sup>13</sup> C (‰)	-8.84	-8.82	-8.96	-8.91	-7.47	-8.84	-8.78	-8.88	-8.63	-5.35	-5.30	-4.31	-4.36	-5.40	-5.50	-4.40	-4.51	-4.89	0.98	-5.61	-2.36	-2.33	-6.00	-6.00	-5.76	-5.68	-5.86	-8.14	-6.67	-7.40	-6.88
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Site L (L6214) means:	::		-4.3	-3.73	-19.92			2.0	2.2	-18.8	0.4	24.0	12.2	20.0
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S12086_2	S12086	7		-5.82	-14.93							34.2	18.8	32.3
S12087_1		7		-5.23	-17.05							26.4	13.8	22.8
S12087_2	S12087	7		-5.40	-16.90							11.2	3.9	4.9
S12089_1		7		-3.81	-19.82							19.6	9.4	14.7
S12089_2	S12089	7		-3.82	-19.45							22.7	11.4	18.3
S12090_1		7		-4.74	-17.19							17.4	8.0	12.1
S12090_2	S12090	7		-4.73	-17.08							30.6	16.5	27.8
Site L (L6215) means:	::		-1.5	-4.88	-17.50	0.712 0.007	7 22.6	3.5	3.2	-16.4	0.4	23.2	11.8	19.1
S13114_1		7		-5.60	-17.30	0.732 0.009						17.0	7.7	11.7
S13114_2	S13114	7		-5.52	-17.31							35.7	19.7	34.1
S13115_1		7		-5.35	-16.56							32.8	17.9	30.6
S13115_2	S13115	7		-5.34	-16.73							23.3	11.9	19.2
S13116_1		7		-5.20	-18.55							17.1	7.8	11.7
S13116_2	S13116	7		-5.27	-18.70	0.699 0.010						27.4	14.5	24.0
Site X means:			35	-5.38	-17.52			2.5	2.5	-16.1	9.4	25.6	13.2	21.9

This study Dennis2013
Mean of all fossil shells: 0.699 0.683
st.dev: 0.014 0.003
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## Bold columns used to generate data for figure

Key to column headings:

Analysis - Unique isotopic analysis name assigned during measurement of sample

Sample - A single fossil specimen

Batch - Whether the sample was run as part of 2010 (Batch 1) or 2012 (Batch 2) set of analyses

Strat - Stratigraphic heigh relative to the K-Pg boundary

d13c, d18o - isotopic values for carbon and oxygen respectively

ARF D47 - Delta47 converted to the Absolute Reference Frame c

se - standard error on D47 analysis

T(zaarur) - temperature calculated using Zaarur 2013 calibration absolute reference fram equation

95% Conf (from Graph) - reading off the expected 95% confidence interval from Zaarur Fig. 2b

95% Conf (samp) - Standard error calculated from average of different sample temperatures, multiplied by 1.96 to get 95% confidence (altman2005)

d18ow - Reconstructed d180 of water

d18ow 1sd = 1 stdev error on d18ow

Eagle2013 (2) - Temperature reconstructed from D47 using 2 different calibrations from Eagle 2013 study

Henkes2013 - Temperature reconstructed using calibration from Henkes 2013 study

Data used to generate Figure 2 are the Bold rows above, and are simplified below

				ARF		-	85%	<b>82%</b>		d180w	Eagle2013A	<b>Eagle 2013</b>	Henkes
Sample	Strat	d13C	d180	D47	se (	(Zaarur)	(Zaarur)	(SE*1.96)	d180w	err	ragoniteT		2013T
Lousiana (Modern) Mean:	0	-8.63	-5.19		0.005	26.7	2.5	5.6	-3.2		28.8	15.3	25.7
Site P means:	99-	-4.89	-17.40		0.002	26.7	1.5	1.2	-15.5		28.8	15.3	25.7
Site O (gastropod) means:	-20.5	-2.33	-11.31		0.014	30.8	7.5	7.3	-8.6		34.6	18.9	32.8
Site T (bivalve) means:	0	-5.86	-9.91		0.003	22.0	2	1.6	-8.9		22.1	11.1	17.7
Site T (gastropod) means:	54	-7.40	-13.30		0.004	30.1	7	2.0	-10.7		33.4	18.3	31.3
Site M means:	99-	-6.43	-9.69		0.008	25.9	4	3.7	-7.9		27.7	14.7	24.5
Site K means:	-26	-5.01	-8.94		0.007	30.5	3.5	3.5	-6.3		34.1	18.7	32.3
Site H means:	34	-4.92	-10.61		0.004	28.3	7	1.9	-8.4		31.0	16.7	28.4
Site R means:	-25	-7.00	-9.50		0.000	30.4	1.5	0.2	-6.8		33.9	18.6	31.9
Vein	-15	-10.06	-14.96		900.0	46.1	4	0.0	-8.6		26.7	32.3	60.4
Site G means:	-10.7	-6.84	-9.44		0.004	25.1	7	1.7	-7.8		26.8	14.0	23.4
Site L (L6214) means:	-4.3	-3.73	-19.92		0.004	22.9	2	2.2	-18.8		24.0	12.2	20.0
Site L (L6215) means:	-1.5	-4.88	-17.50		0.007	22.6	3.5	3.2	-16.4		23.2	11.8	19.1
Site X means:	35	-5.38	-17.52		0.005	24.3	2.5	2.5	-16.1		25.6	13.2	21.9

## Appendix 4.4

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