



The Dead Sea Borehole

The Longest Archive of the Late Quaternary Levant Geological and Geophysical Environments

November 25th-28th, 2018

PROGRAM

Sunday, November 25th

8:30-9:00 Registration

9:00-10:30 **Opening: The Dead Sea ICDP project**

Chair: Moti Stein

Achim Brauer: The Dead Sea - target of 25 years of joint Israel - GFZ research

Gerald Haug: Dead Sea climate in a global context

Rivka Amit: Geo-hazards along the Dead Sea Transform- The GSI perspectives

10:30-11:00 *Coffee Break*

11:00-12:30 **Sedimentology**

Chair: Yehouda Enzel

Ina Neugebauer: Lithology and microfacies of the ICDP Dead Sea deep core **Revital Bookman**: The role of dust in aragonite deposition at the Dead Sea and

Lake Lisan

Yigal Erel: Cycles of dust mobilization in the late Quaternary Levant

12:30-13:30 *Lunch Break*

13:30-15:30 World lakes - I

Chair: Zvi Ben Avraham

Andy Cohen: The hominin sites and paleolakes drilling project: Investigating the environmental context of human evolution in East Africa and implications for out-of-Africa dispersal

Flavio Anselmetti: Sediment proxies of glacial/interglacial and stadial/interstadial changes: Examples from Lake Peten Itza and Lake Van.

Yehouda Enzel: Megalakes in the Sahara. Myths and facts.

Nicolas Waldmann: First insights into millennial-scale environmental and climate reconstruction of the last 250.000 years in equatorial East Africa

15:30-16:00 *Coffee Break*

16:00-18:15 **Present to Future research**

Chair: **Yigal Erel**

Yoav Bendor: The DSDDP core: From microfacies to hydroclimatology

Bar Orvan: The ICDP cores and the Dead Sea heat flow

Ido Sirota: Temperature seasonality control on modern halite layers in the Dead

Sea: In situ observation

Elan Levy: Dissolution of the Sedom salt diapir as a source for solutes and

driving force for dilution of the deep Lake Lisan

Nurit Weber: The paleohydrology of the hot saline springs at the Dead Sea shore

Moshe (Koko) Armon: Synoptic-scale control over heavy rainfall and flash

floods in the drylands of the Levant.

Yael Ebert: Reducing environments and their impacts on magnetic properties of

sediments

18:15-21:00 **Poster Session and Reception**

Monday, November 26th

9:00-10:30 **Paleobotany**

Chair: Ahuva Almogi-Labin

Thomas Litt: New insights into the paleoenvironment of the southern Levant

during MIS5

Dafna Langgut: The fossil pollen archive as a proxy to trace the origin of olive

cultivation in the Mediterranean Basin

Andrea Miebach: The Vegetation and Fire History of the Last Glacial Dead Sea

Region

10:30-11:00 *Coffee Break*

11:00-13:00 **Salt and Brines**

Chair: Mira Bar-Matthews

Boaz Lazar: Interstitial brine composition and halite thickness in the DSDDP

core - tools for reconstructing the history of brine volume and lake level

Nadav Lensky: From evaporation to evaporites: Novel observations and concepts

from the Dead Sea, the modern analog for deep evaporitic basins

Ittai Gavrieli: Recycling of halite in the Dead Sea basin

Yossi Yechieli: Hydrogeological response to variations in the Dead Sea levels\

13:00-14:00 *Lunch Break*

14:00-15:30 **World Lakes - II**

Chair: **Boaz Lazar**

Jingati Han: The past 6 ka hydrogen isotope record of n-alkanes of the Sihailong

maar sediment in Northeast China and possible climatic implications

Jing Wu: Vegetation and climate change in the Great Khingan Mountain Range,

Northeast China during the Holocene

Shikma Zaarur: Synoptic-climate conditions in East China during the past 80,000 years inferred from Sr and Nd isotopic compositions of maar lake

Sediments

16:00-21:00 Jerusalem Tour

Tuesday, November 27th

9:00-10:30 Geophysics, paleoseismology and paleomagnetism

Chair: Gideon Bear

Michael Lazar: Geophysical studies and ICDP boreholes in the Dead Sea - an

integrated approach

Shmuel Marco: 220-ka paleoseismic record in the Dead Sea Basin **Ron Shaar**: Refining the Dead Sea chronology using magnetism

10:30-11:00 *Coffee Break*

11:00-12:30 **Biogeochemistry**

Chair: Michael Lazar

Daniel Ariztegui: Integrating microbial community analysis of lacustrine

sediments to paleoclimatic studies

Camille Thomas: Microbial life and its consequences in the Dead Sea subsurface

Jiaqi Liu: Study on the Bioclimatology

12:30-13:30 *Lunch Break*

13:30-15:00 **Chronologies**

Chair: **Amotz Agnon**

Steve Goldstein: Highlights of the revisited DSDDP core chronology

Hiroyuki Kitagawa: Updated radiocarbon chronology of the Dead Sea cores **David Fink**: Meteoric 10Be in paleomagnetism and climate change -tracing and

dating global sediments from the Dead Sea to Antarctica

15:00-15:30 *Coffee Break*

15:30-17:30 Climate and Hydrology

Chair: Steve Goldstein

Yael Kiro: Changes in Monsoon intensification and North Hemisphere climate indicated by the DSDDP cores

Yochanan Kushnir: The climate of the last interglacial – what do climate models tell us

Adi Torfstein: Climate cycles in the Dead Sea watershed and their global climate engines

Efrat Morin: Mean, variance and trends of Levant precipitation over the past 4500 years from reconstructed Dead Sea lake levels and stochastic modeling

18:00 Visit to the Israel Museum

19:00: Public talks Chair: **Yigal Erel**

Mordechai Stein: The Dead Sea borehole: archive of the climate history of Levant during the

past 250,000 years

Wednesday, November 28th

7:00-19:00 Field trip to the Dead Sea

End of Conference

Thursday, November 29thOptional - Field trip to the Sea of Galilee

