

Incoherency in Central American hydroclimate proxy records spanning the last millennium

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Introduction

This document contains supplementary figures and references as supporting information. Additional data tables are provided as separate excel files. The methodology used to generate the following figures is described in the main text of the manuscript.

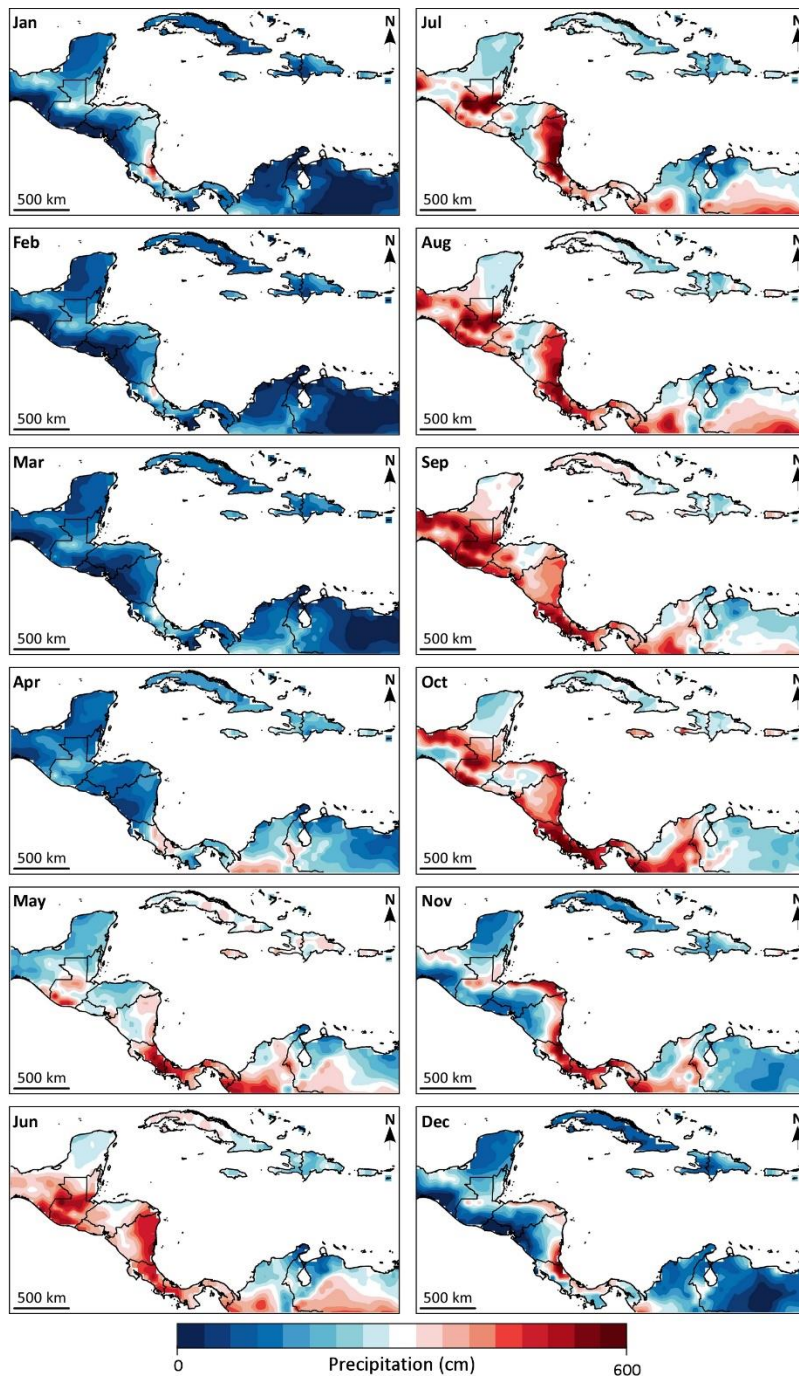


Figure S1. Maps of Central America, the Caribbean, and northern South America showing mean monthly precipitation based on three gridded data products (Willmott & Matsuura, 2001; Schneider et al., 2011; Harris et al., 2014) spanning the period 1966-2016 CE.

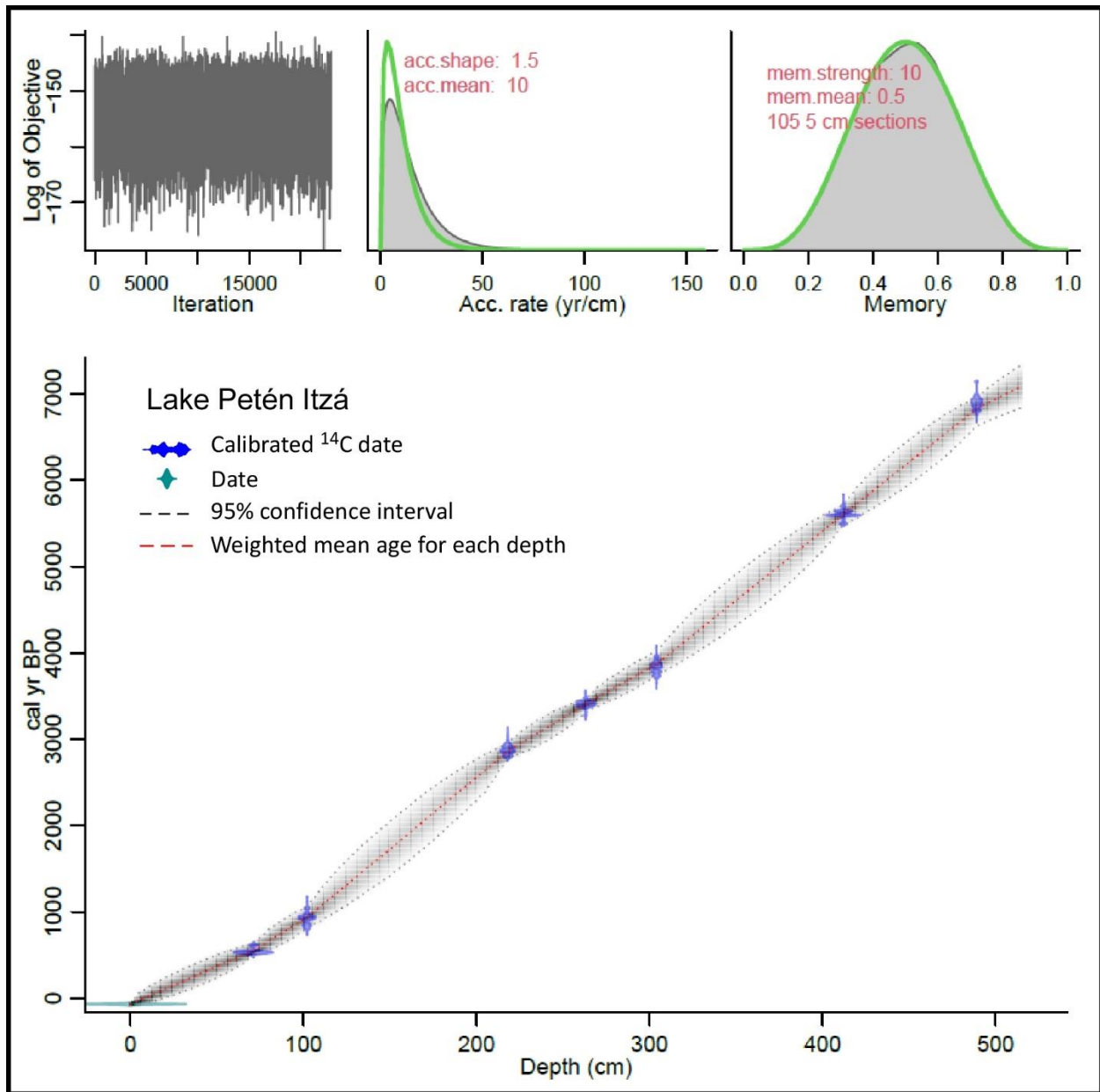


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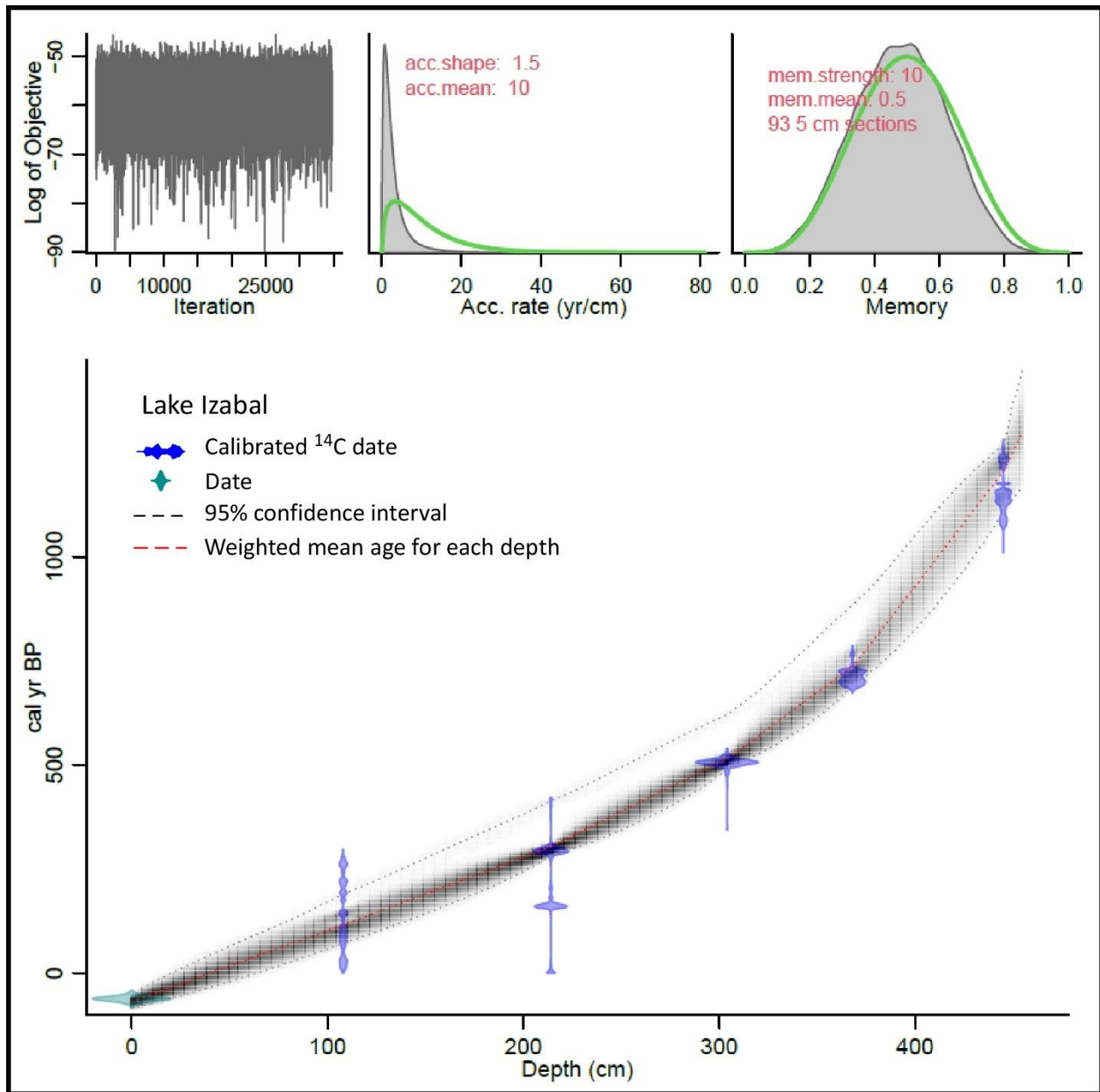


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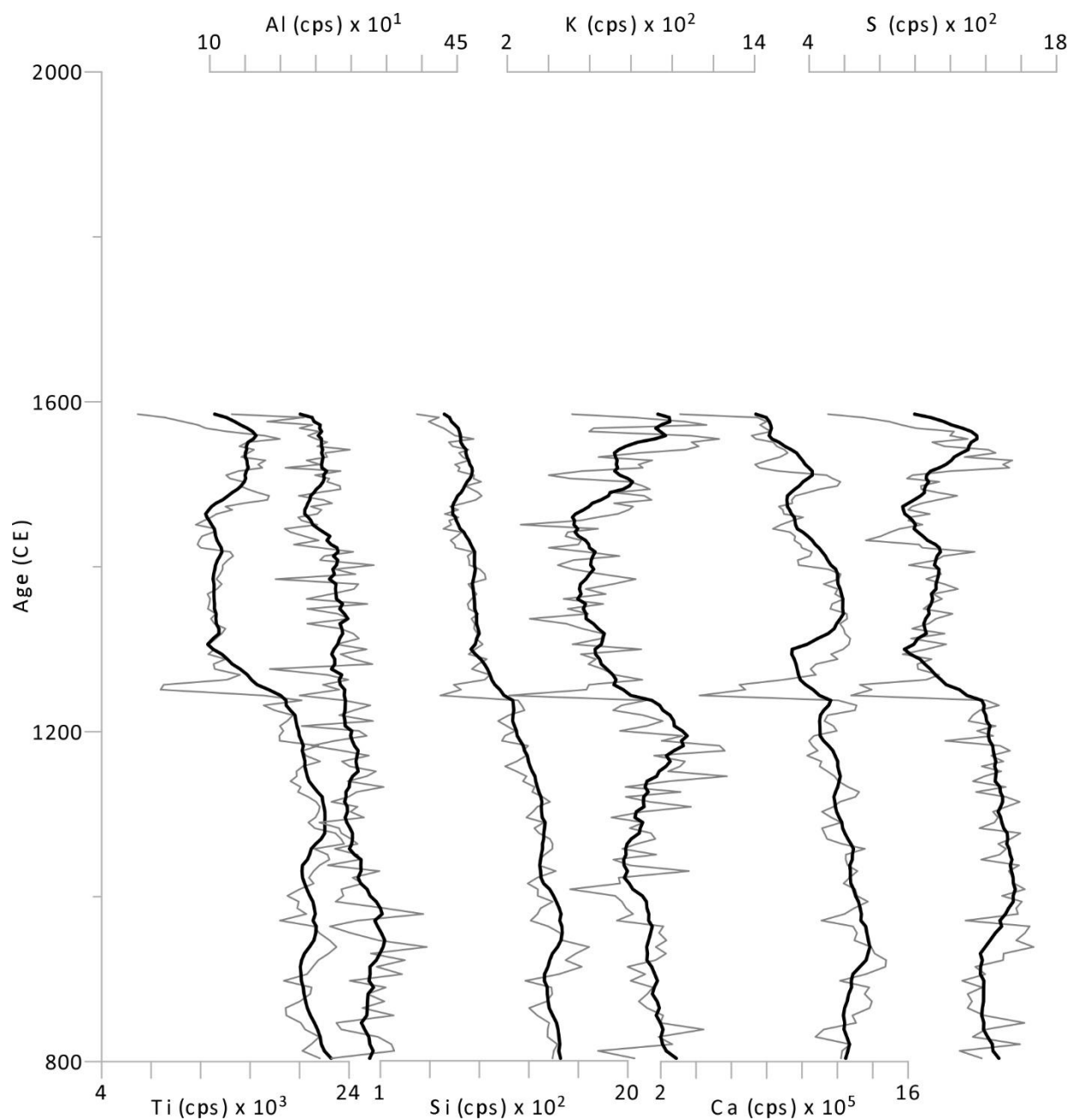


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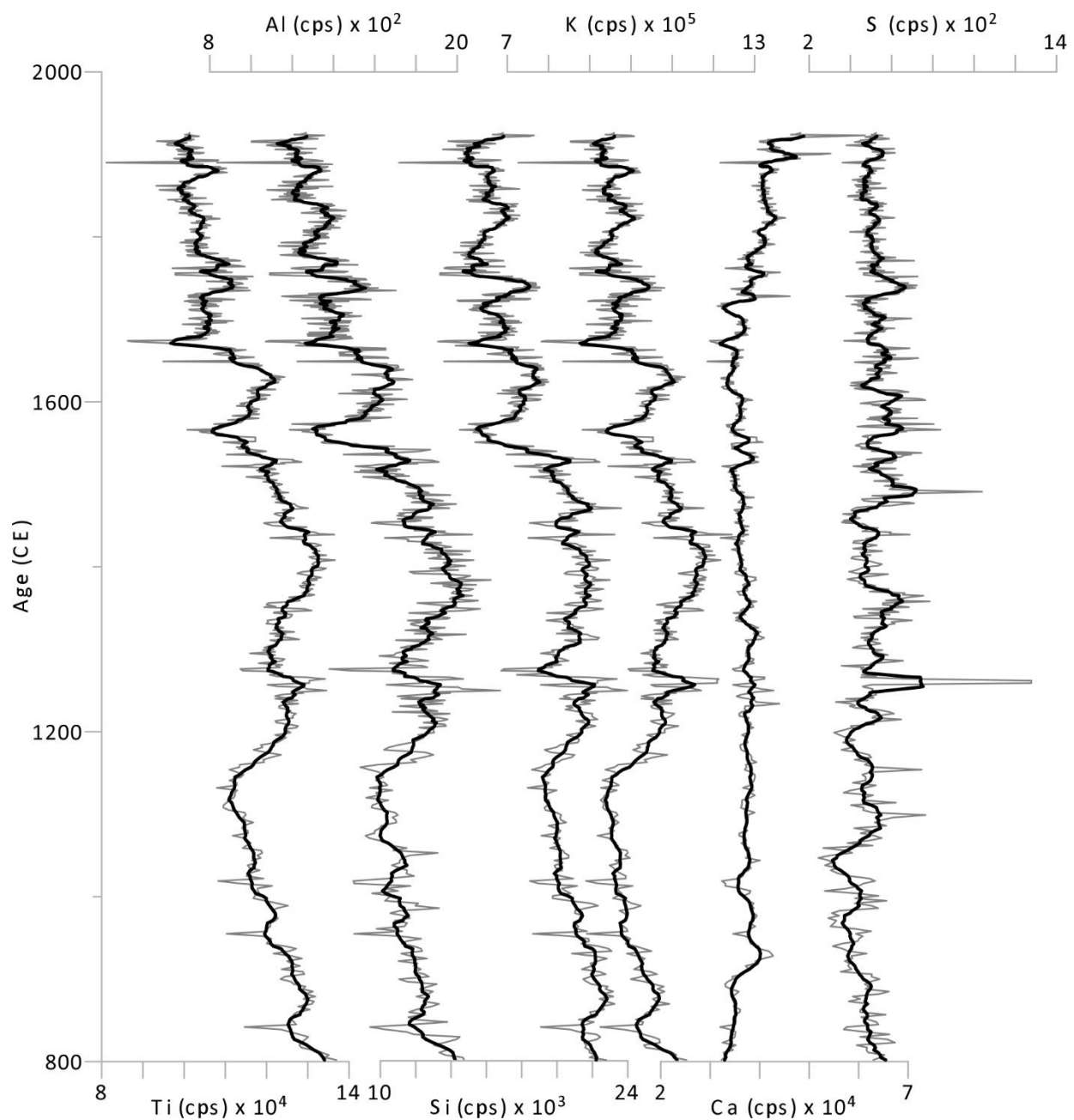


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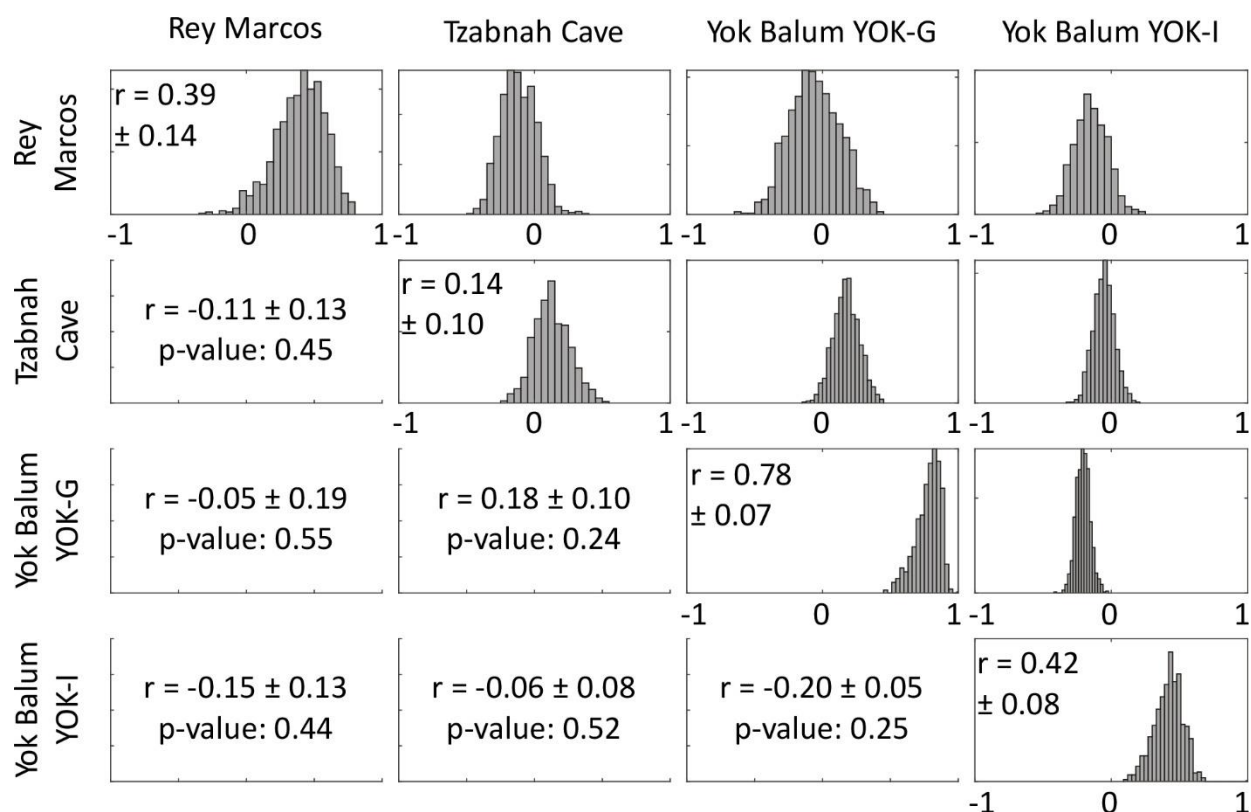


Figure S6. Matrix showing the range of correlation values (upper right) for all speleothem record realizations used in this study utilizing 1000 age-proxy pairs. The diagonal quantifies the uncertainties in the age-depth model; for example, an age-depth model with no uncertainty would have correlation equal to 1. The distribution represents how correlated the 1000 age-proxy realizations are to each other (see Supplementary Material). The lower left shows mean correlation values, $\pm 1\sigma$, and mean p-values for the records analyzed. The $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ records been multiplied by negative one so that positive correlation indicates consistent behavior between proxy sites.

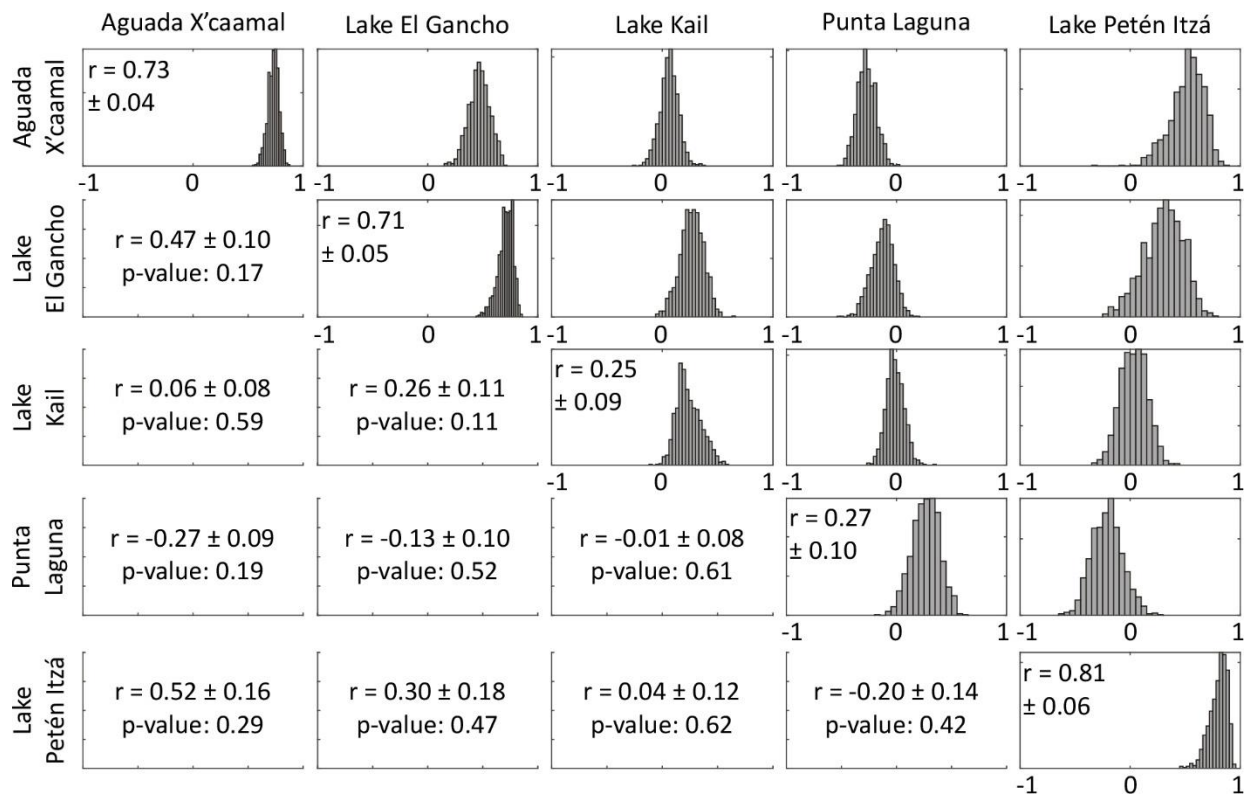


Figure S7. Matrix showing the range of correlation values (upper right) for all small and closed lacustrine basin record realizations used in this study utilizing 1000 age-proxy pairs. The diagonal quantifies the uncertainties in the age-depth model; for example, an age-depth model with no uncertainty would have correlation equal to 1. The distribution represents how correlated the 1000 age-proxy realizations are to each other (see Supplementary Material). The lower left shows mean correlation values, $\pm 1\sigma$, and mean p-values for the records analyzed. The $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ records been multiplied by negative one so that positive correlation indicates consistent behavior between proxy sites.

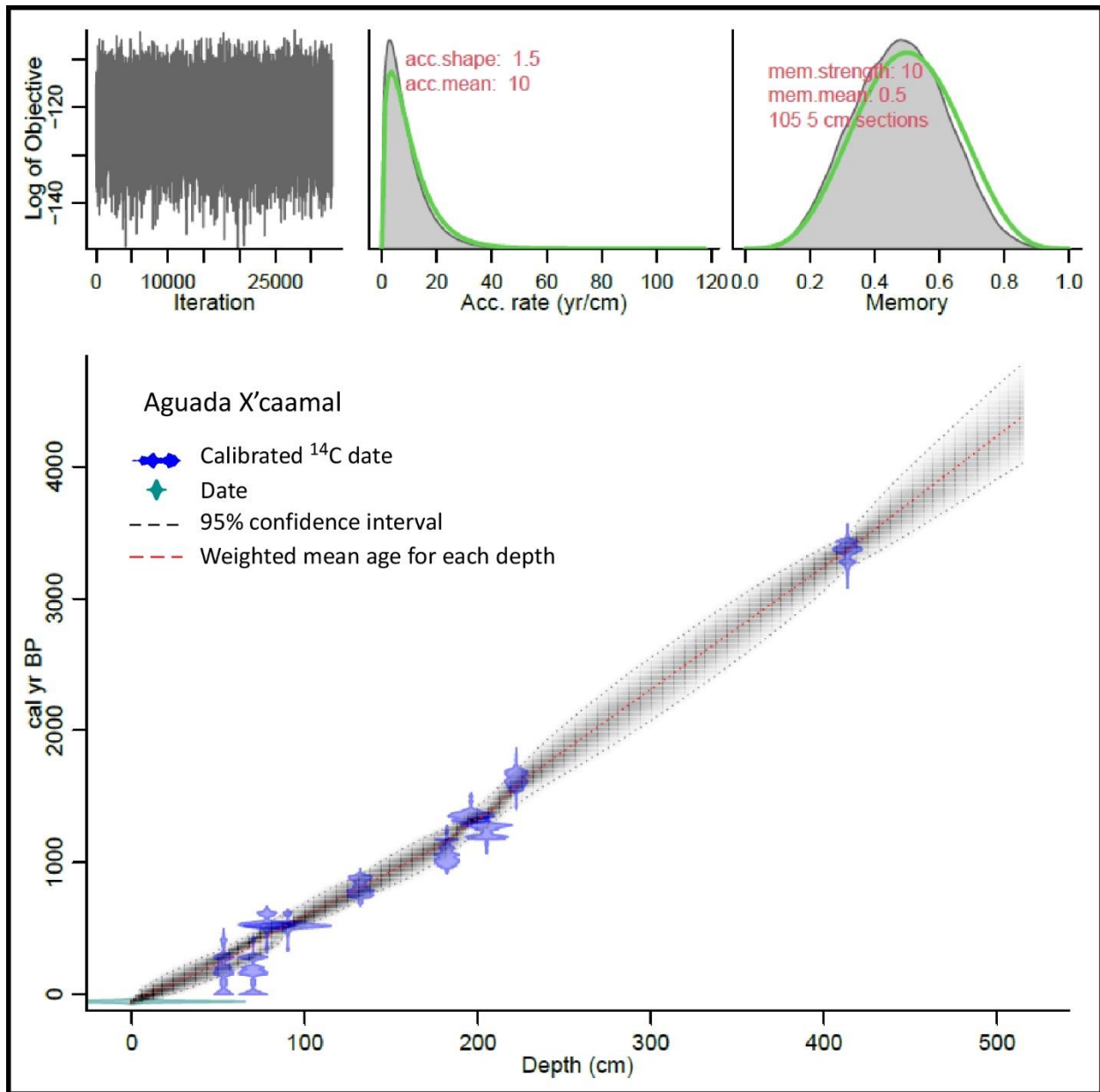


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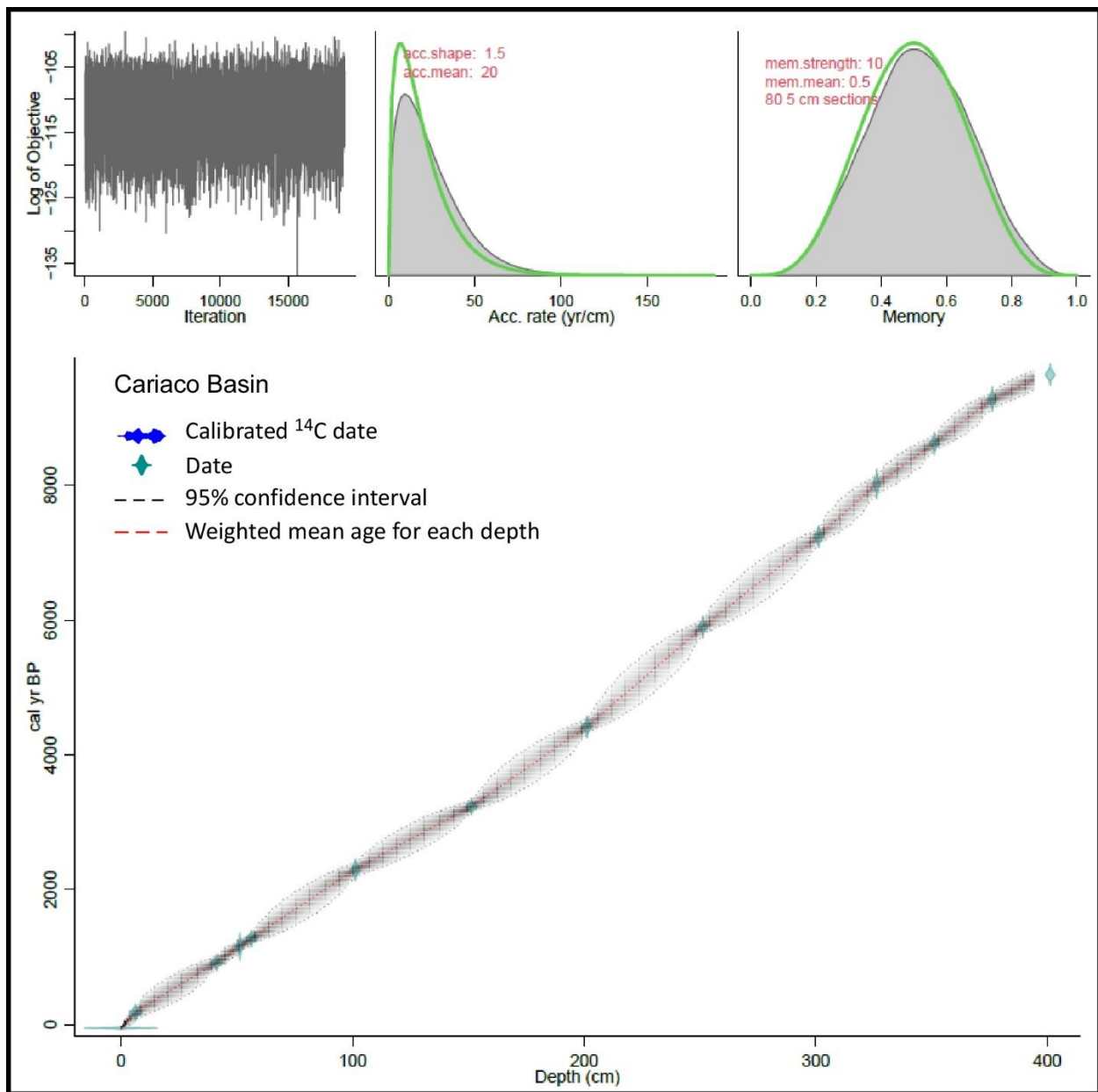


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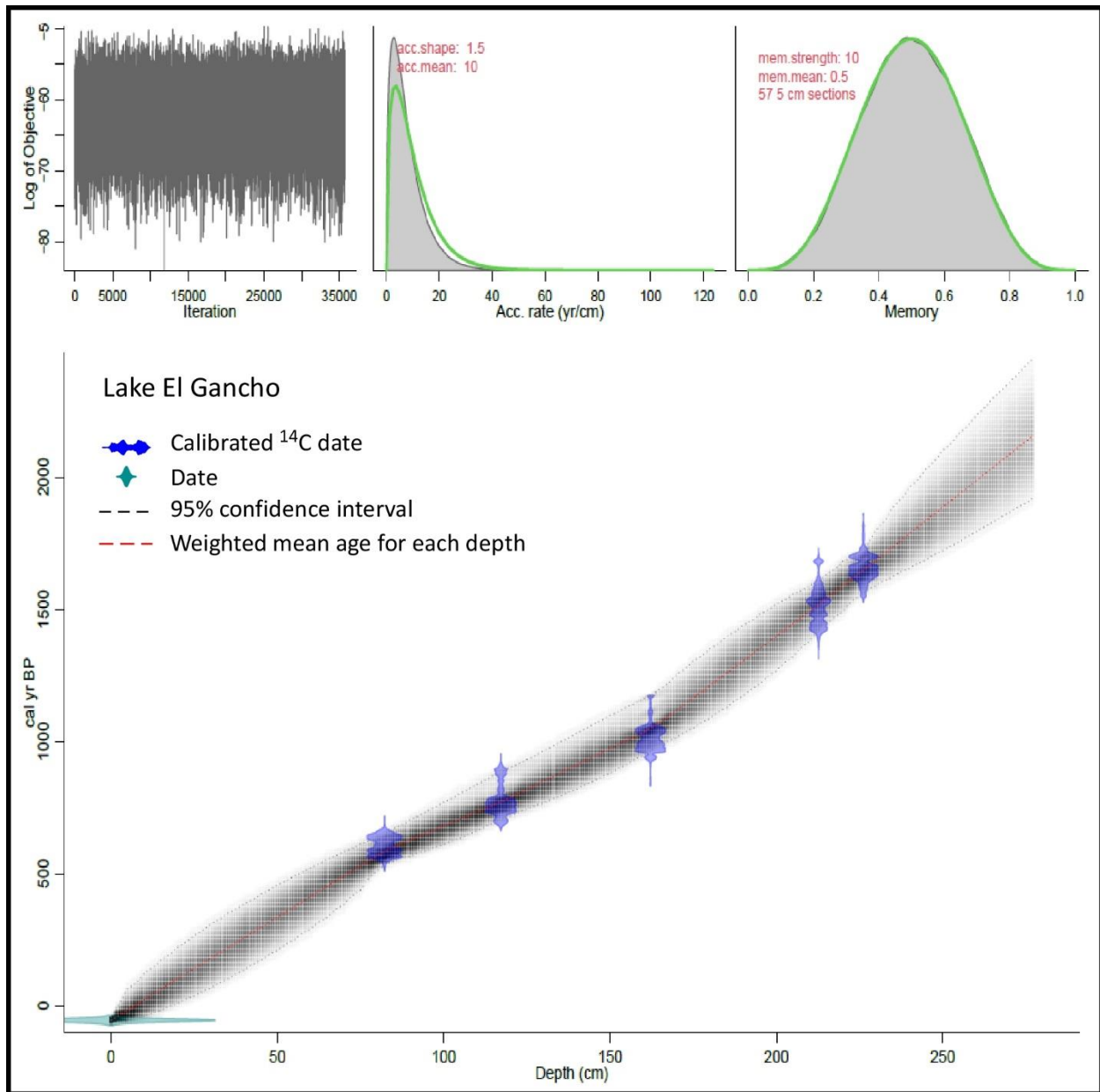


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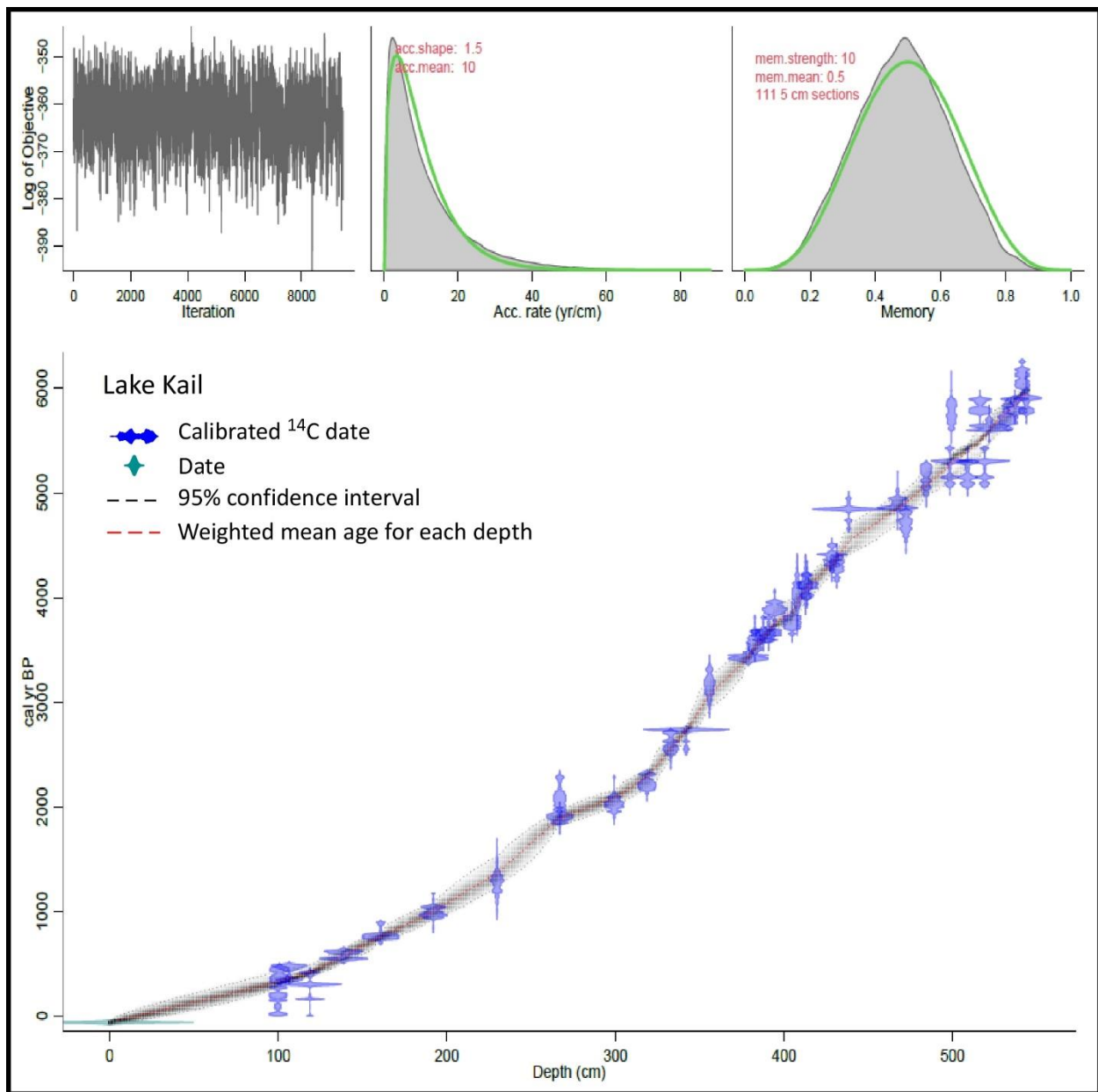


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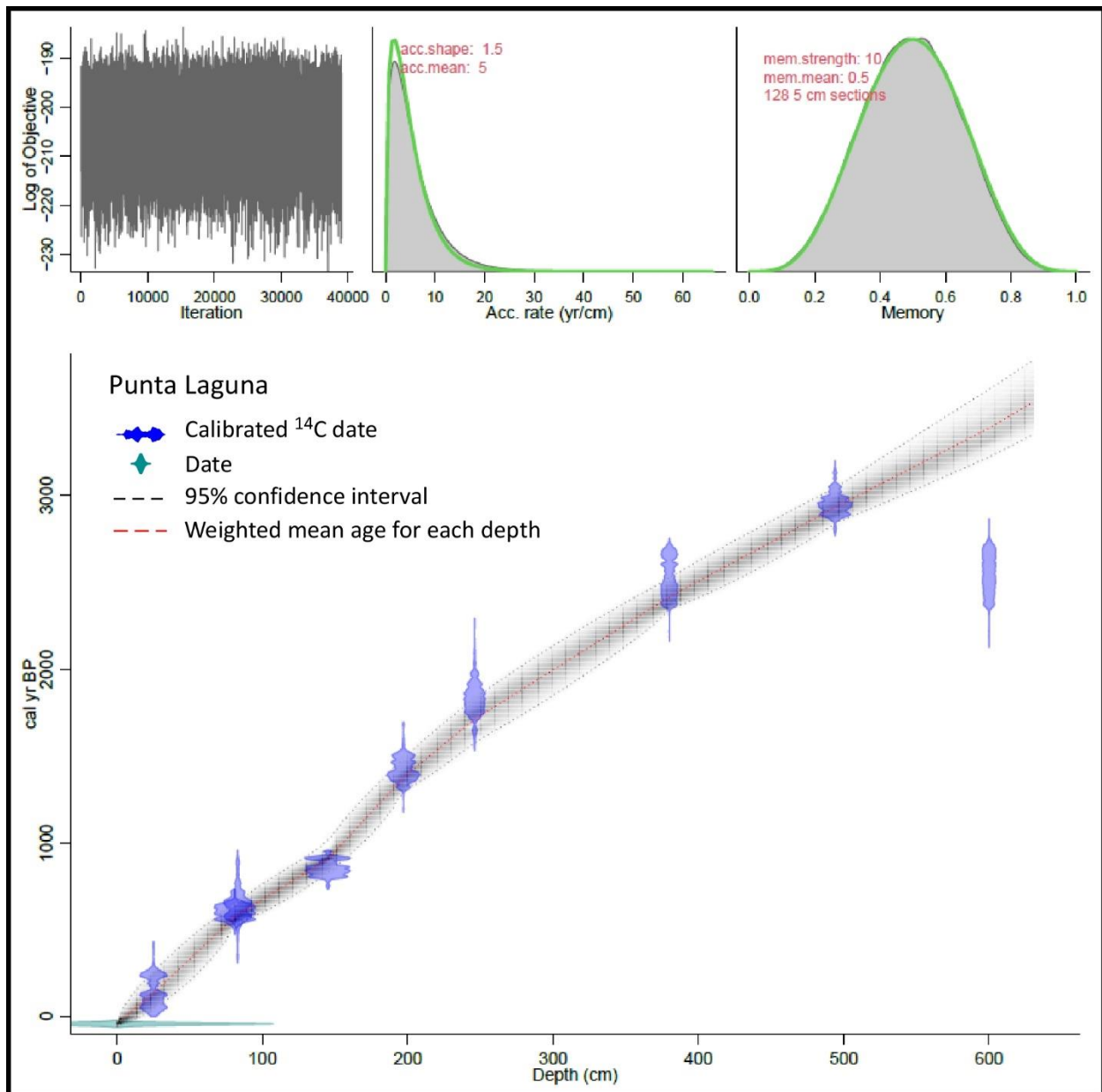


Figure S12. Age-depth model for Punta Laguna (Curtis et al., 1996). Radiocarbon dates were obtained from five terrestrial wood samples and four from shell material. Shell radiocarbon dates were corrected for hard water lake error for Punta Laguna. Red line shows the best-fit model based on weighted mean ages, and stippled gray lines show 95% confidence intervals. All dates were calibrated using IntCal20 (Reimer et al., 2020). The age-depth model was generated using Bacon (Blaauw & Christen, 2011).

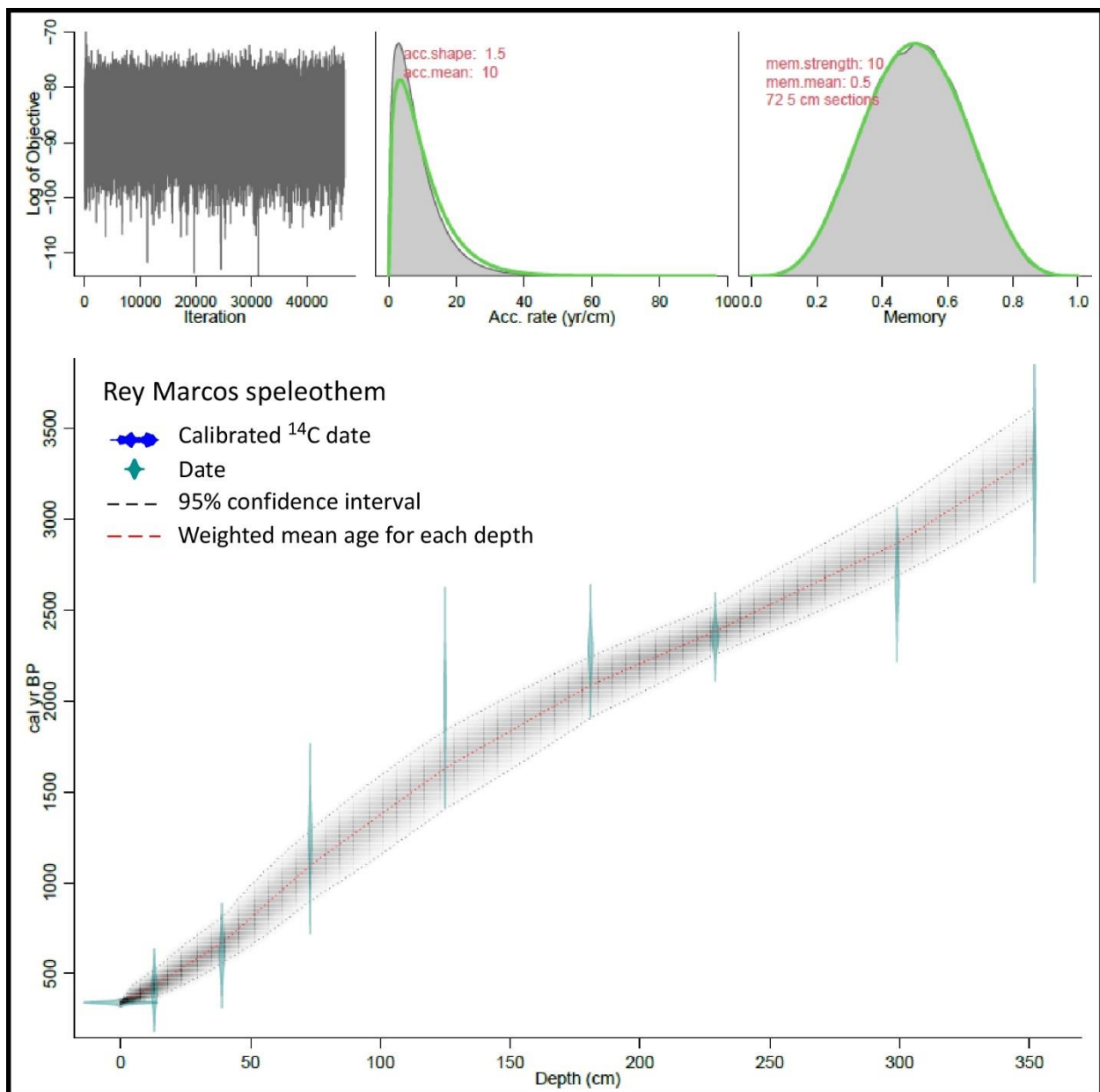


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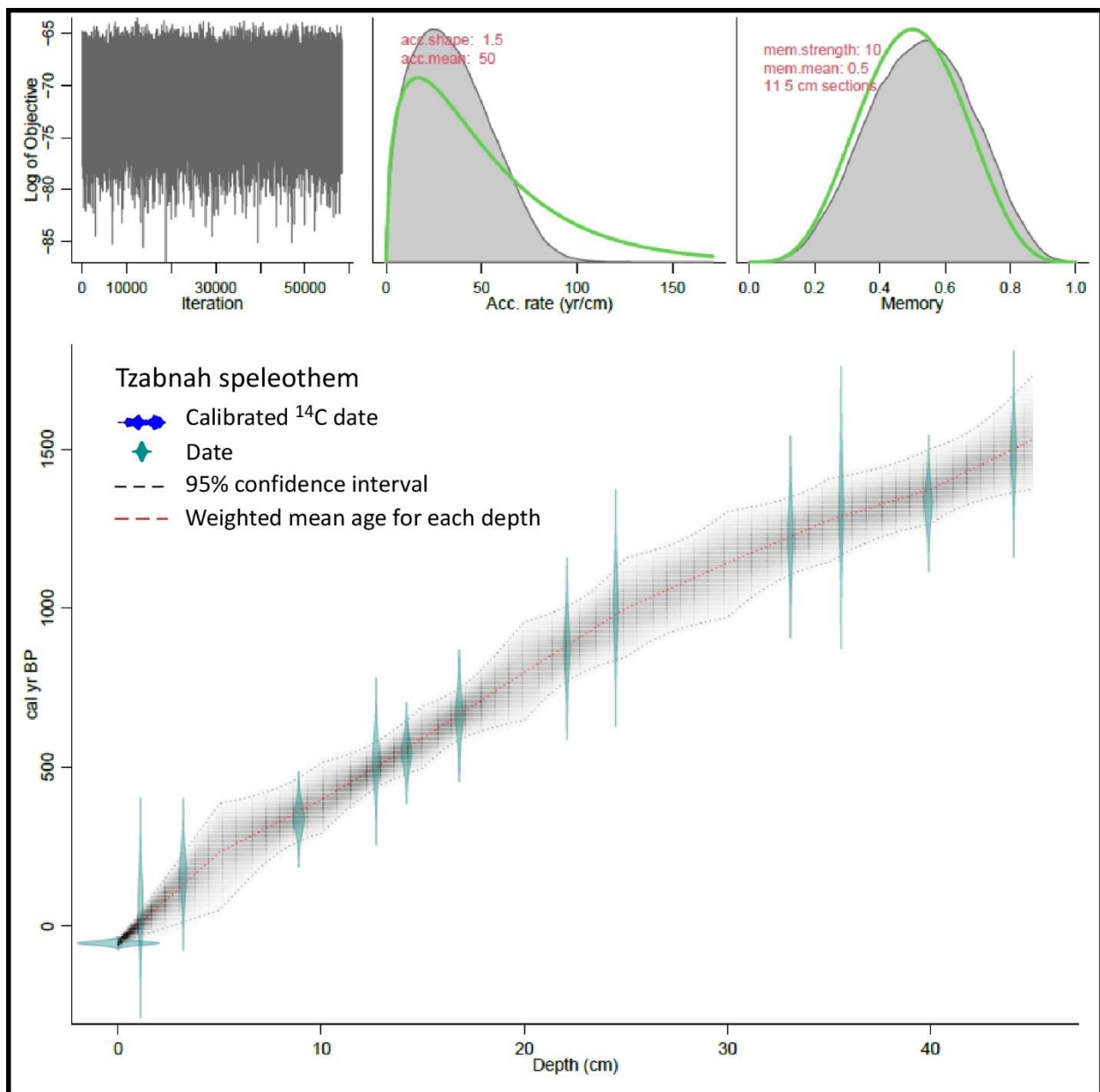


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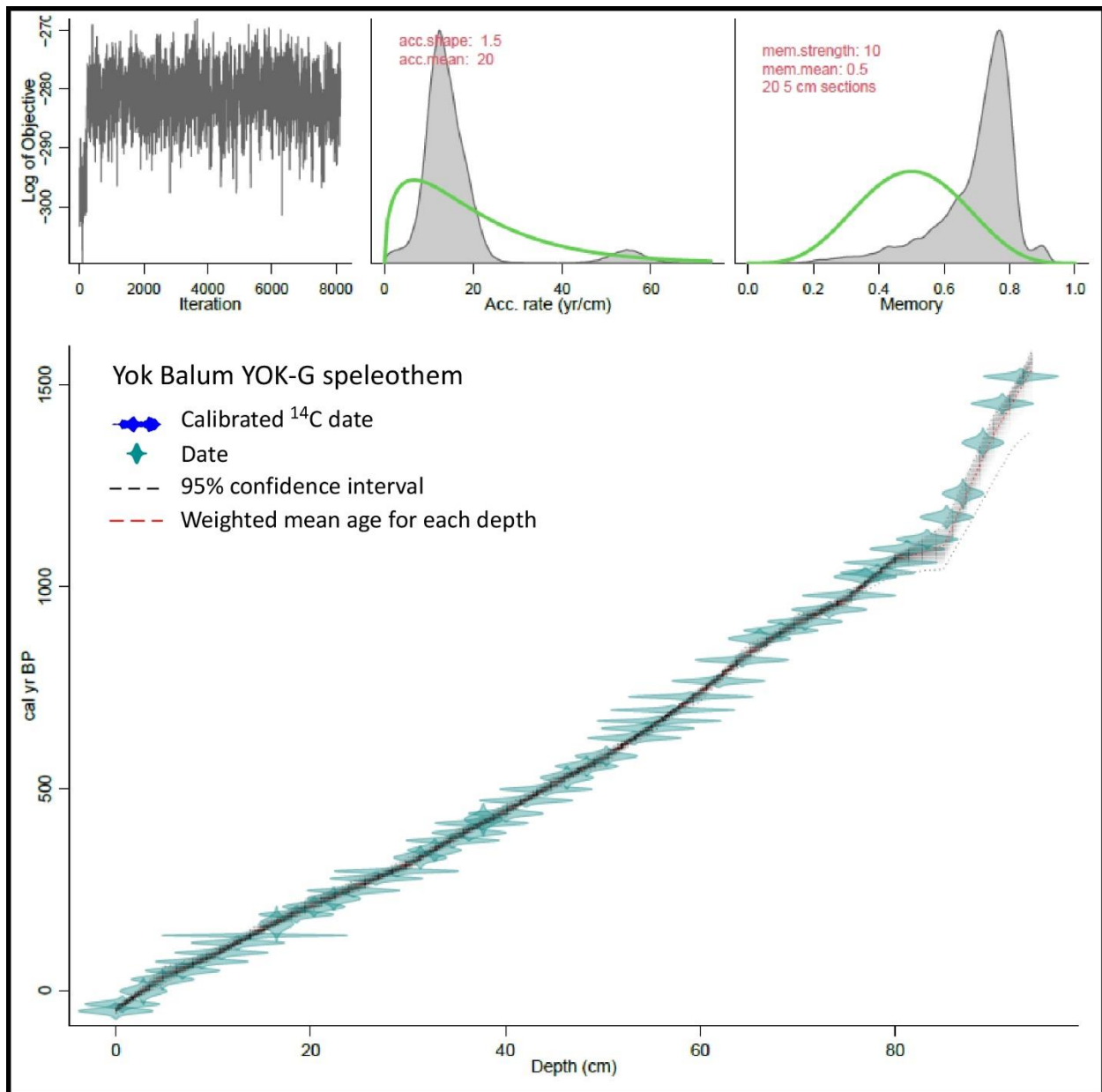


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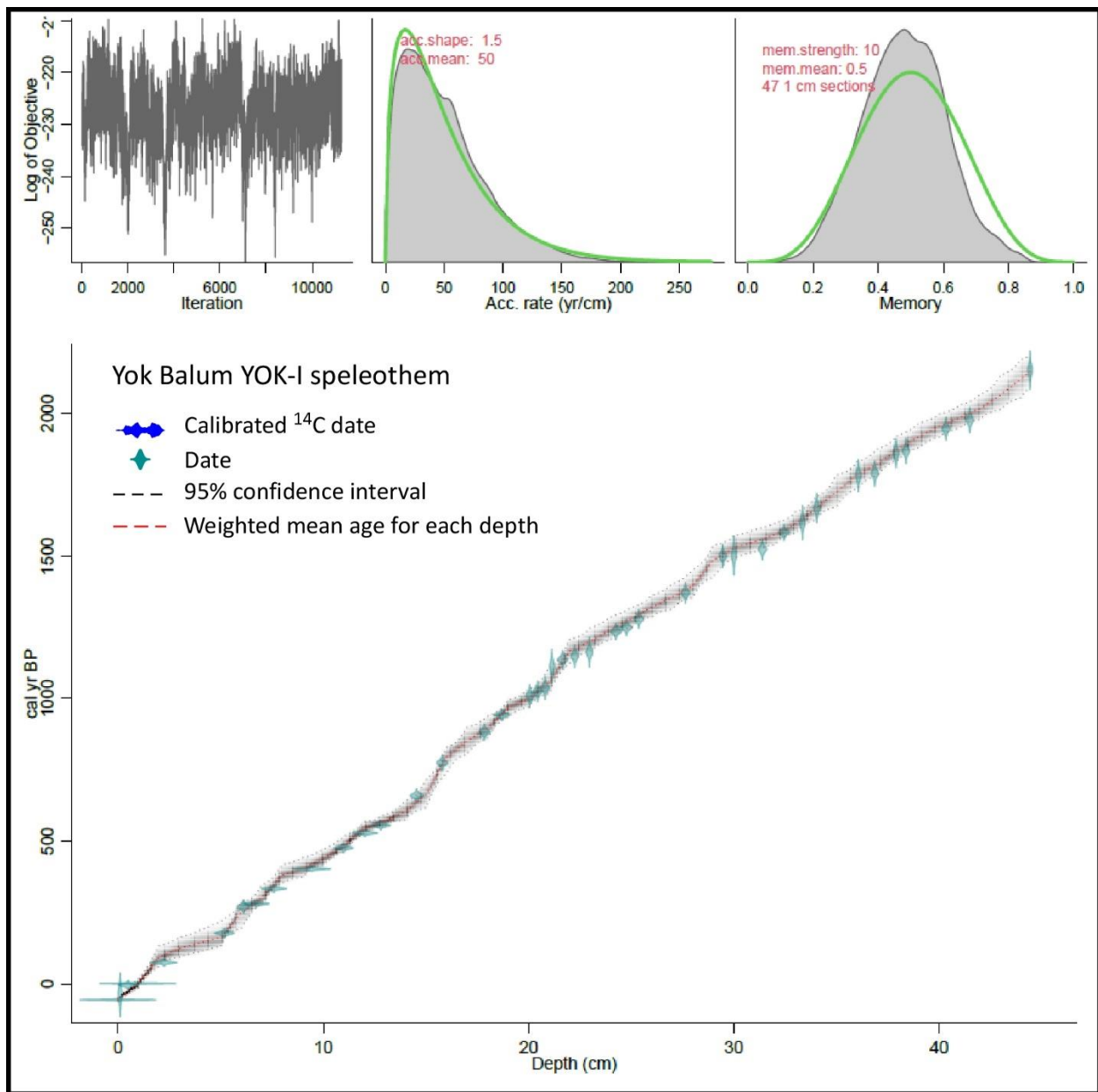


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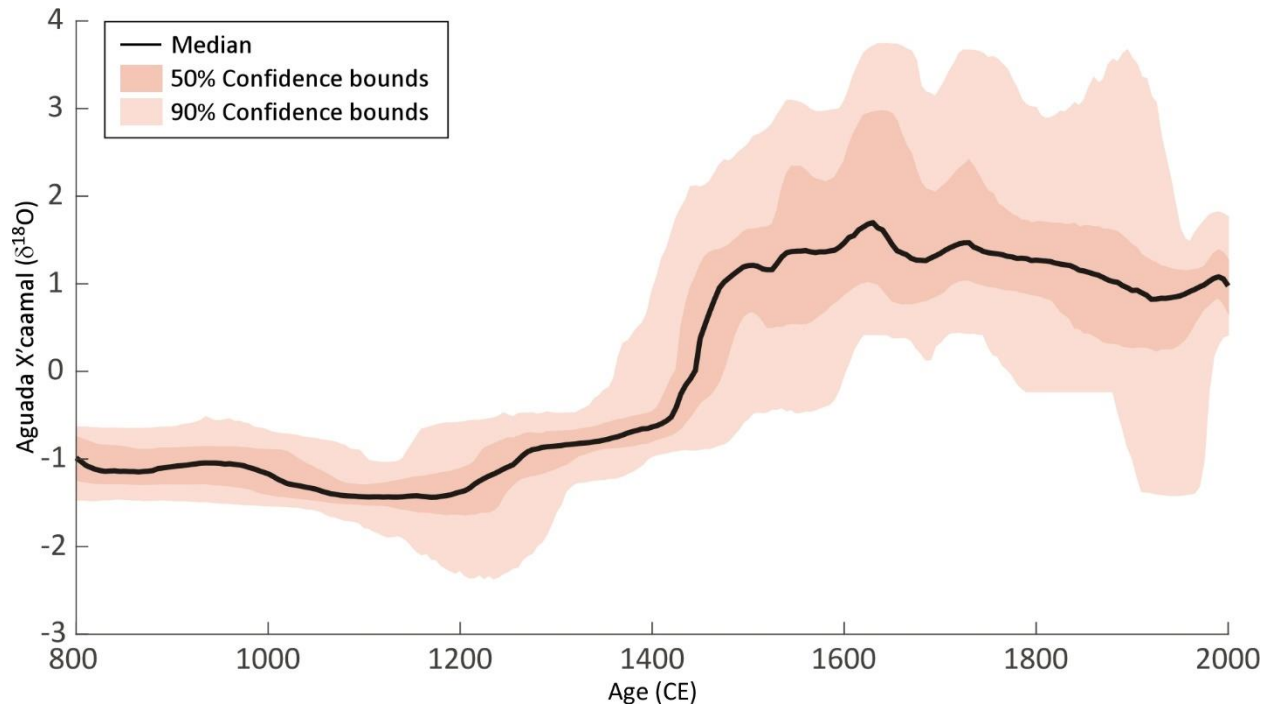


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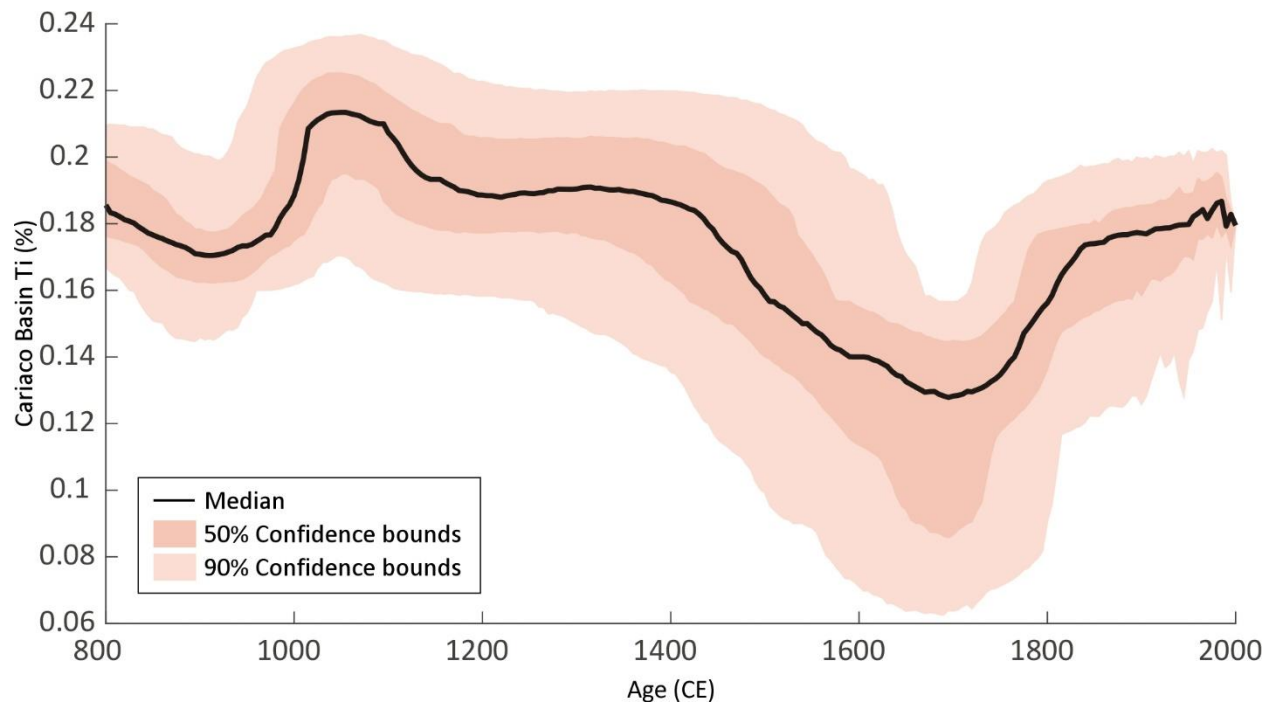


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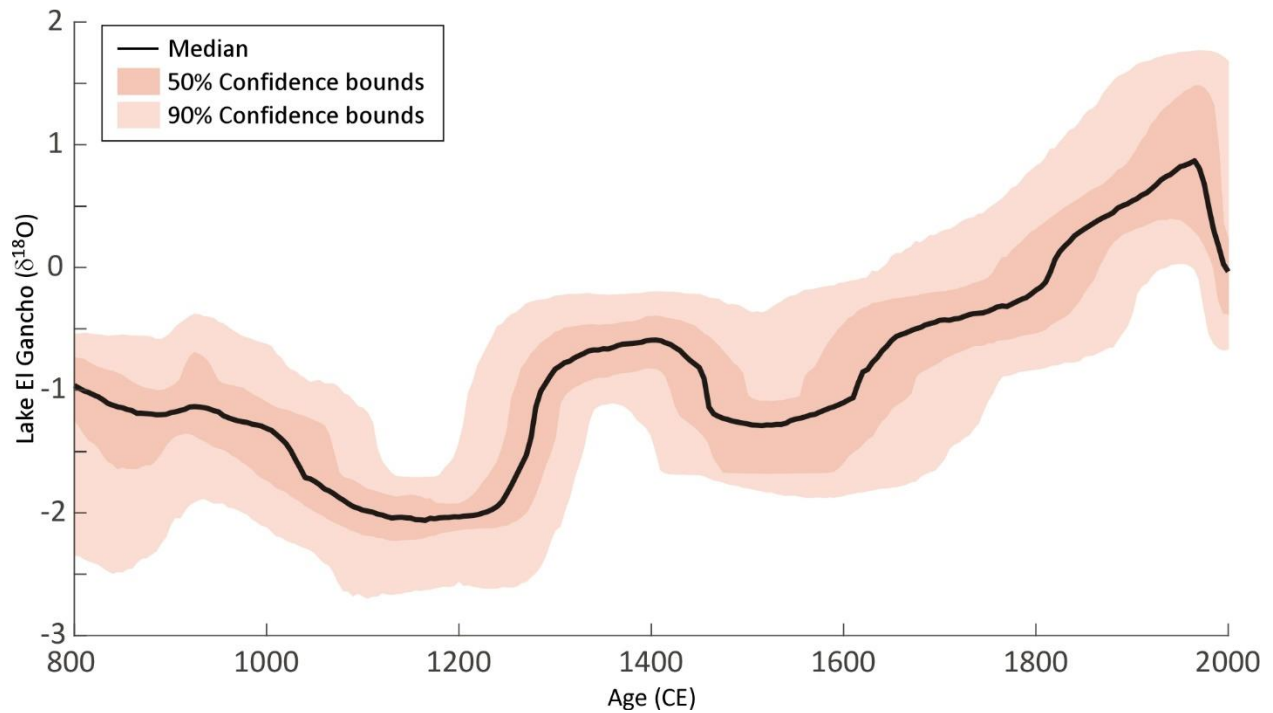


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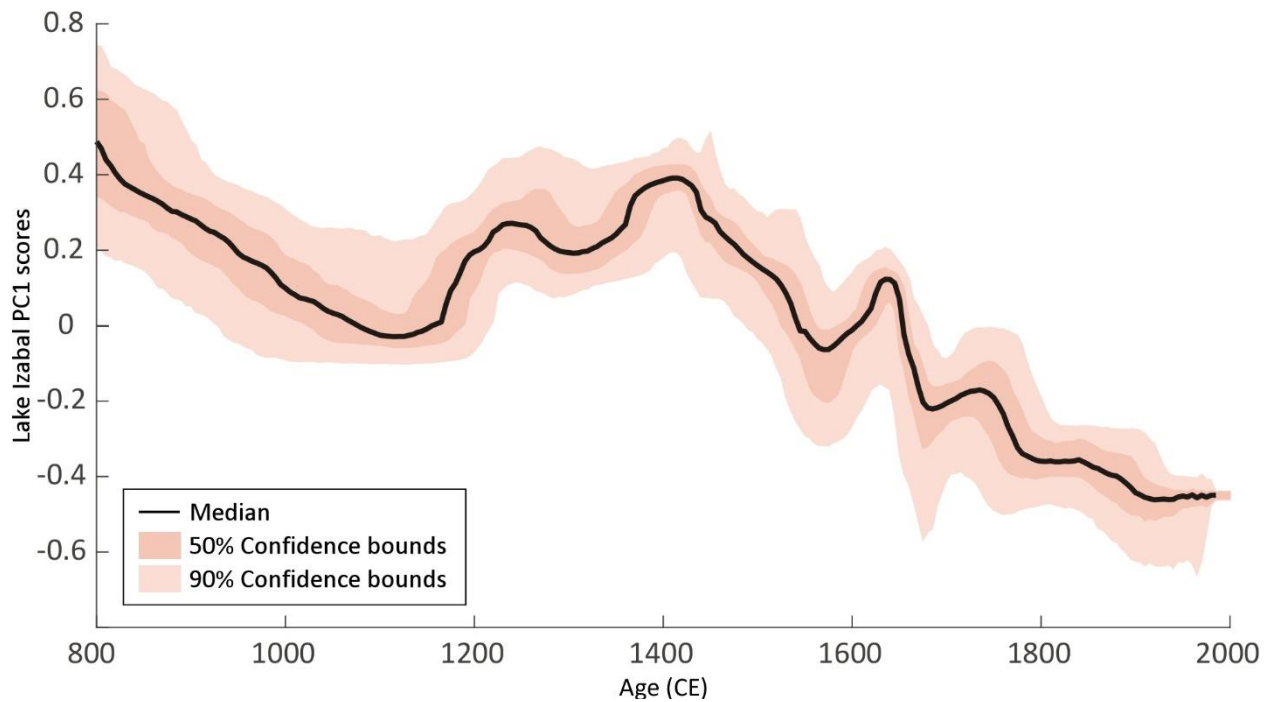


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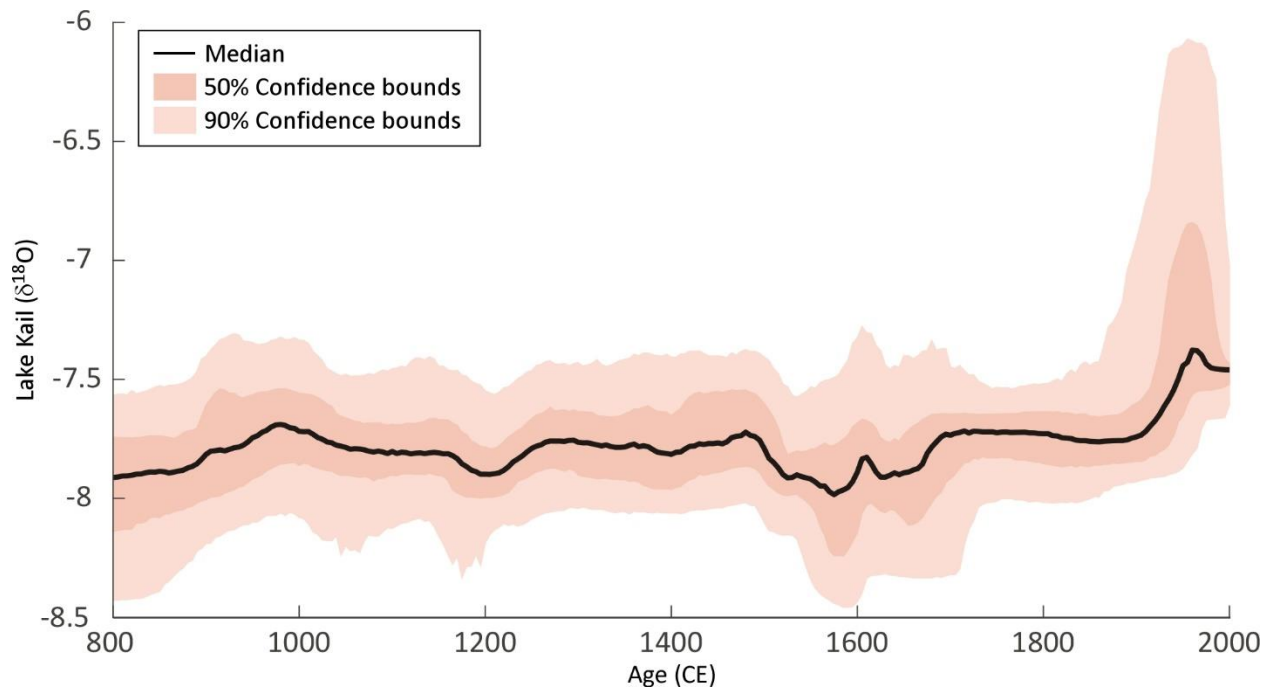


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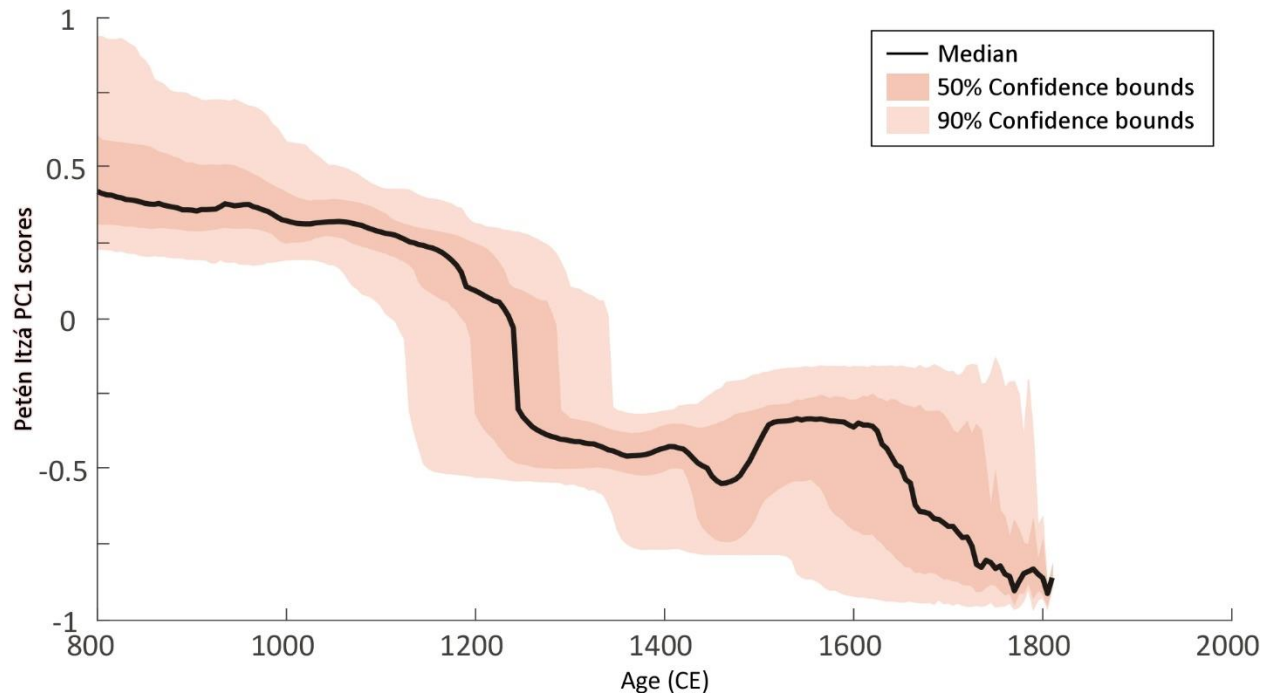


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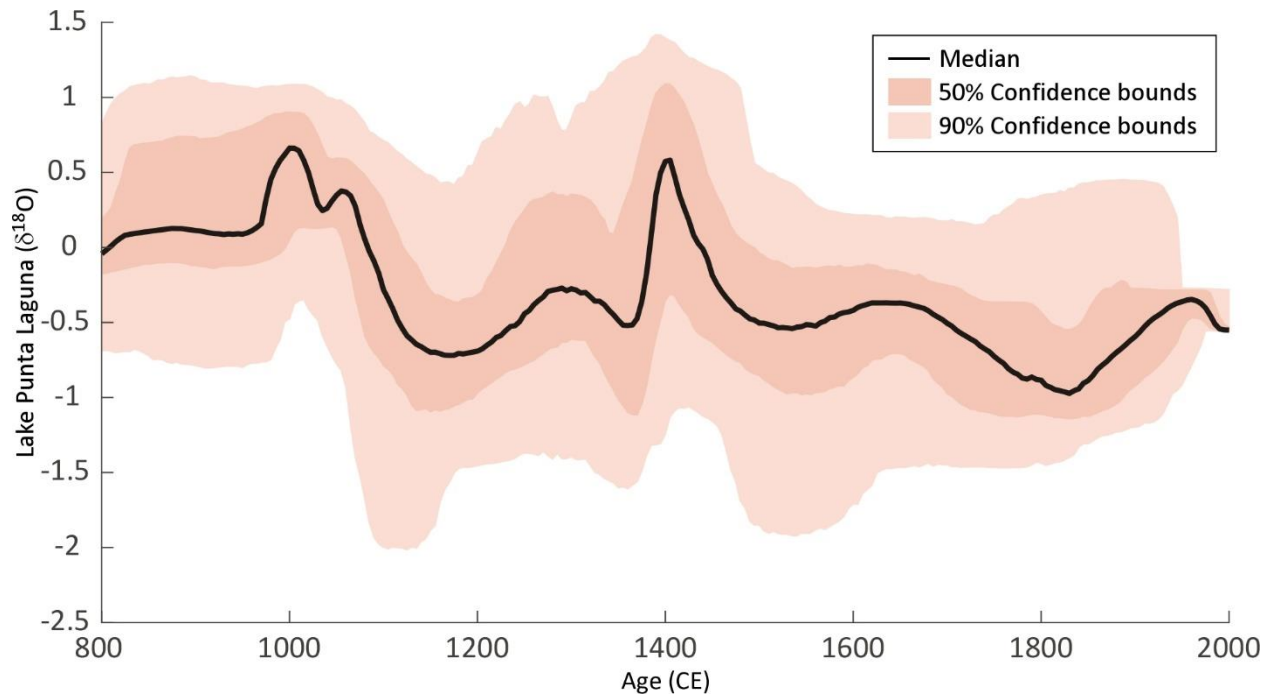


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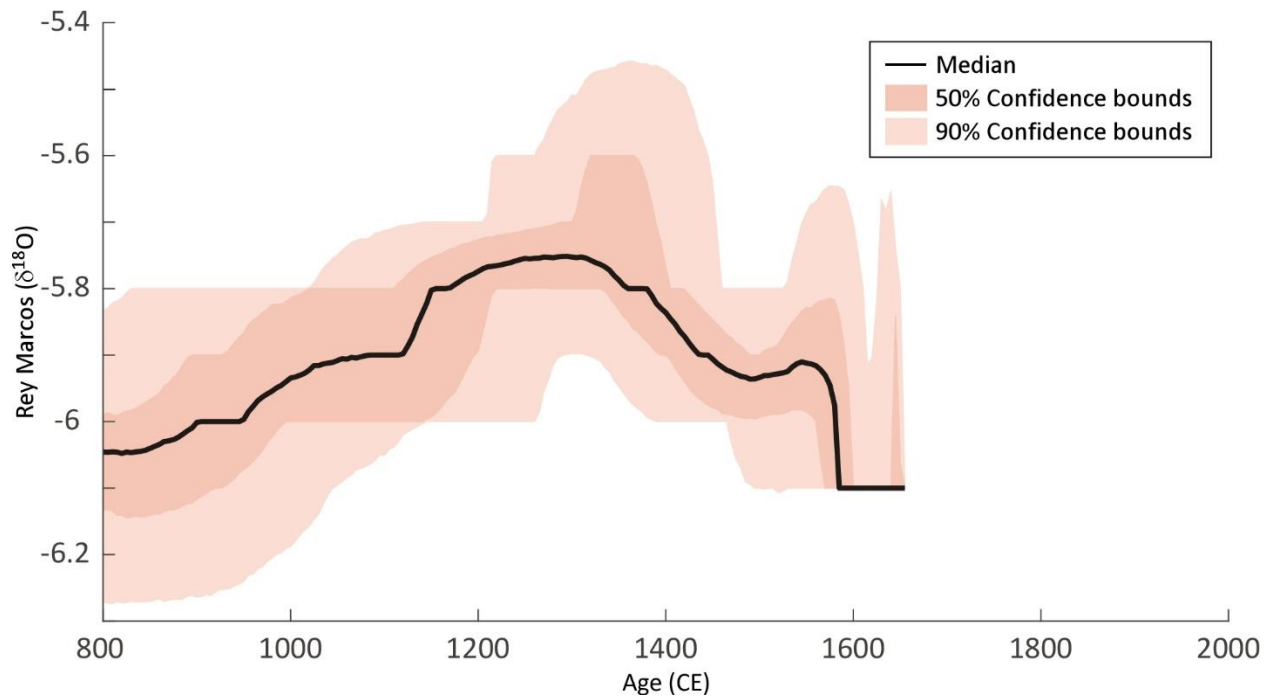


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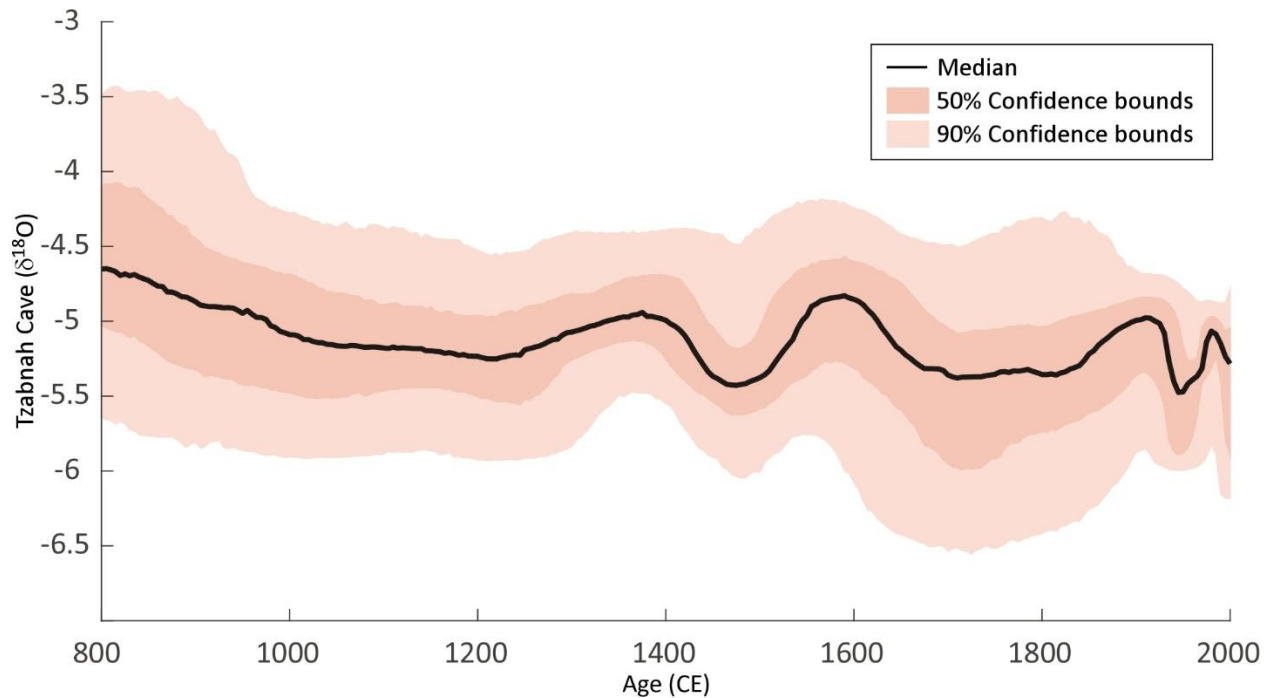


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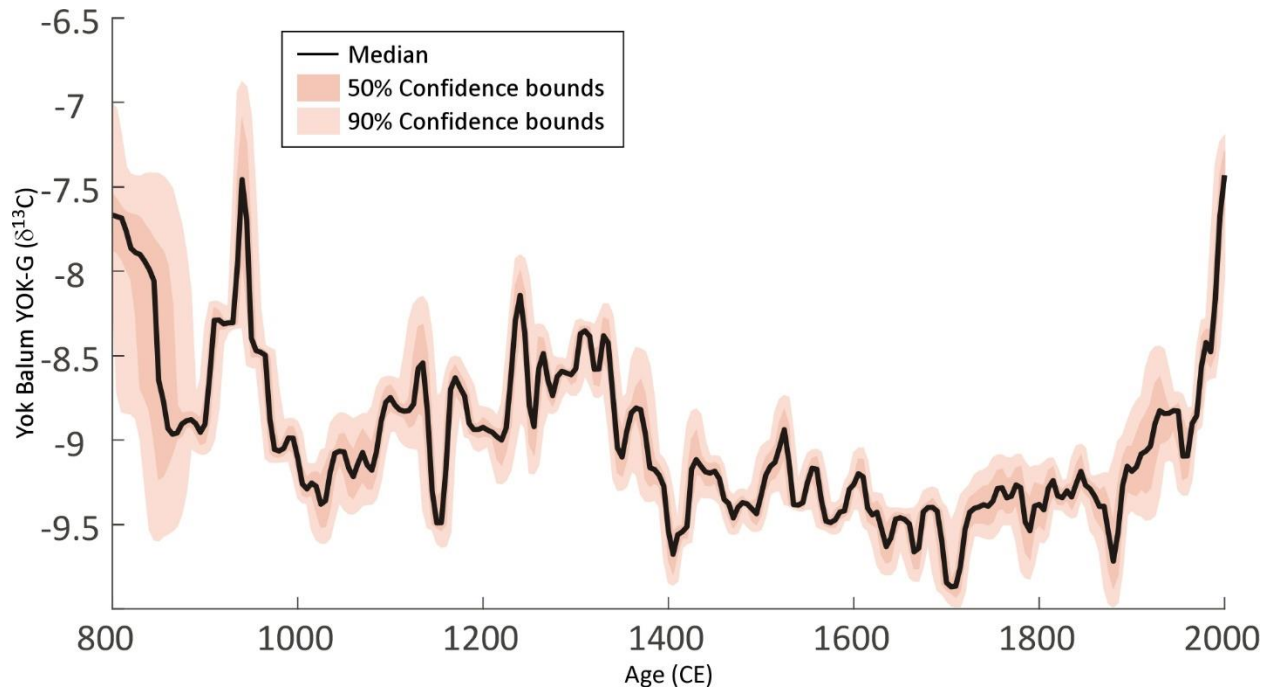


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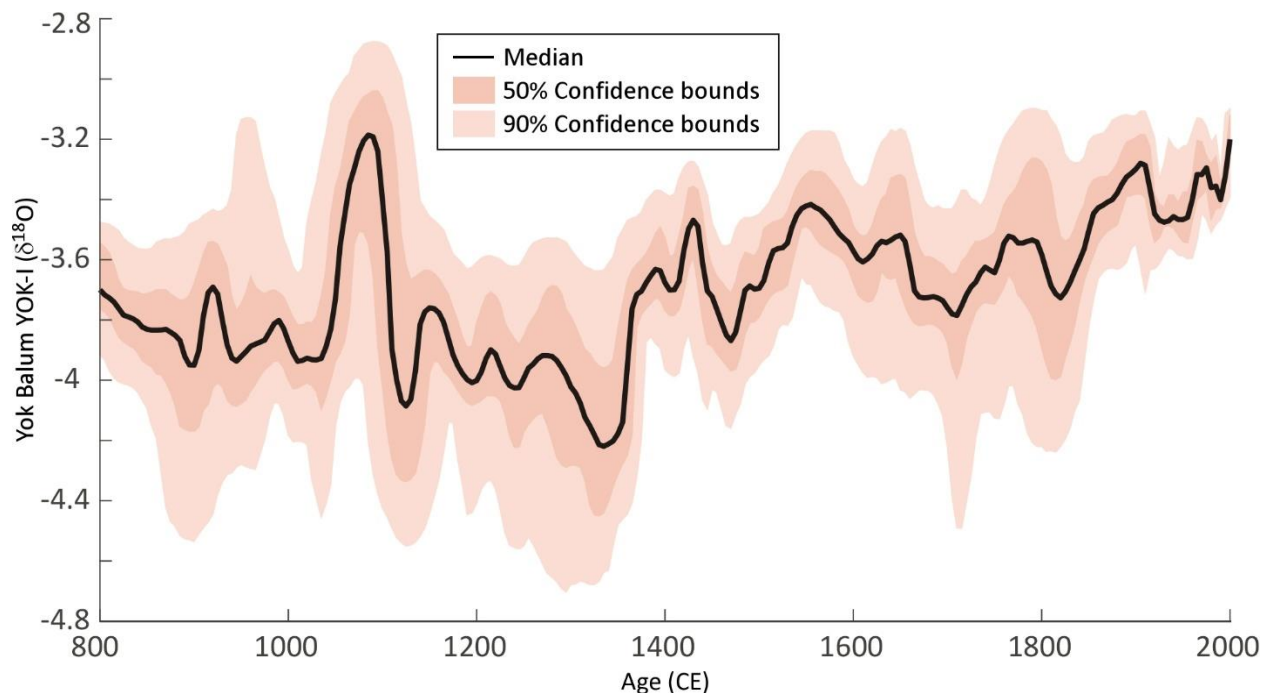


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