

Design for the Penultimate Deglaciation experiment

You will find on this page information about the experiment design for the PMIP4 [Penultimate Deglaciation](#) experiments.

Please make sure to read the [Associated publications](#) before setting up your experiments or using the output data, and read any *how-to* sections associated with specific boundary conditions.



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Associated publications

- **Penultimate deglaciation experiment design, version 1:**

The penultimate deglaciation: protocol for PMIP4 transient numerical simulations between 140 and 127 ka, version 1.0, Menviel et al, GMD, 2019,
https://dx.doi.org/available_soon

Version 1 Specifications

For general advice on boundary condition implementation in palaeoclimate models, see [Kageyama et al. \(2016\)](#).

Penultimate Glacial Maximum spinup (140 ka)

If possible, this spinup simulation should start from the PMIP4-CMIP6 LGM (21 ka) experiment, as equilibrium would be reached more quickly.

	PMIP4 specifications
PMIP4 name	PDv1-LGMspin
Astronomical parameters	eccentricity = 0.033 obliquity = 23.42° perihelion-180° = 251° Date of vernal equinox : Noon, 21st March
Solar constant	1361.0 ± 0.51365 W m ⁻²

	PMIP4 specifications
Trace gases	CO₂ = 195 ppm CH₄ = 387 ppb N₂O = 201 ppb CFC = 0 O₃ = Preindustrial (e.g. 10 DU)
Ice sheets, orography and coastlines	140 ka data from Combined ice-sheet reconstruction (IcIES-NH, GSM-G and GSM-A): [Access to data]
Bathymetry	Keep consistent with the coastlines, using either: - Data associated with the ice sheet - Preindustrial bathymetry
Global ocean salinity	+ 0.85 psu, relative to preindustrial
All others	See manuscript section 6.1

Transient penultimate deglaciation (140-127 ka)

These are the specifications for the full transient run 140-127 ka.

	PMIP4 specifications
PMIP4 name	PDv1
Initial conditions (pre 21 ka)	Recommended: PDv1-LGMspin See above for details. The method must be documented, including information on the state of spinup
Astronomical parameters	Transient, as per Berger (1978) [Access to data & README !]
Solar constant	1361.0 ± 0.51365 W m ⁻²
Trace gases	CO₂ = Transient, as per the spline of Koehler et al. (2017) : [Access to data] CH₄ = Transient, as per the spline of Koehler et al. (2017) : [Access to data] N₂O = Linear increase from 201 ppb at 140 ka to 218.74 ppb at 134.5 ka then transient, as per the spline of Koehler et al. (2017) : [Access to data] CFC = 0 O₃ = Preindustrial (e.g. 10 DU)
Ice sheet	Transient: Combined ice-sheet reconstruction (IcIES-NH, GSM-G and GSM-A) [Access to data] How often to update the ice sheet is optional
Orography and coastlines	Transient. To be consistent with the choice of ice sheet. Orography is updated on the same timestep as the ice sheet. It is optional how often the land-sea mask is updated, but ensure consistency with the ice sheet reconstruction is maintained
Bathymetry	Keep consistent with the coastlines, and otherwise use either: - Data associated with the ice sheet; it is optional how often the bathymetry is updated - Preindustrial bathymetry
River routing	Ensure that rivers reach the coastline It is recommended (optional) to use one of the following: - Self-consistent paleo-routing described in section 6.2.3 - Preindustrial configuration for the model - Manual/model calculation of river network to match topography

	PMIP4 specifications
Freshwater fluxes	Recommended North Atlantic option is <i>fSL</i> and a constant 0.0135 Sv flux around the Antarctic coast between 140-130 ka [Access to data] - <i>fSL</i> : meltwater flux based on changes in sea-level - <i>fIRD</i> : meltwater flux based on Norwegian Sea and North Atlantic IRD - <i>fIC</i> : meltwater flux based on ice-sheet changes - <i>fSL2</i> : meltwater flux based on changes in sea-level and triangular input max. 0.15 Sv between 131-128 ka on the Antarctic coast - <i>fUN</i> : Globally uniform meltwater input based on sea-level changes
Vegetation & land cover	Prescribed preindustrial cover or dynamic vegetation model
Aerosols (dust)	Prescribed preindustrial distribution or prognostic aerosols

Focused simulations

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Paleorecords to use for model-data comparisons

Overview

See Table 3 and Table 4 of the [Penultimate Deglaciation GMD paper](#)

Table 3									Table 4								
									Click on a table to get a bigger version, or download the GMD paper								
Tracer interpretation	Core	Coordinates and depth (m)	μ1 (ka)	μ2 (ka)	μ3 (ka)	μ4 (ka)	μ5 (ka)	References	Tracer interpretation	Core, coordinates and depth/elevation	Chronology	μ1 (ka)	μ2 (ka)	μ3 (ka)	μ4 (ka)	μ5 (ka)	References
Sea-level									Atm. CO ₂ concentration								
Sea level	Red Sea cores	-	137.0±0.7 increases		133.4±0.7 main increase		130.2±1	Grant et al. (2012) This study	Atm. CO ₂ concentration	EDC	75.05°S, 123.19°E, 3233 m a.s.l.	Ice core	137.8±2.7 increases				128.0±1.8
Benthic δ ¹⁸ O									SST								
North Atlantic intermediate-depth ventilation	ODP983	60.40°N, 23.64°W 1984 m	136.1±1.2 weaker vent.				128.1±0.9	Raymont et al. (2004) Barber et al. (2015)	North Atlantic Summer SST (PFA)	ODP980	55.80°N, 14.11°W, 2180 m depth	Alignment onto Corchia U-Th based chrono.				128.7±1.3	Oppo et al. (2006)
North Atlantic deep-water ventilation	MD95-2042	55.80°N, 14.11°W 2180 m	137.1±1.9				128.6±1.8	Oppo et al. (2006)	North Atlantic Summer SST (PFA)	SI90-03	40.51°N, 32.05°W, 2475 m depth	Alignment onto Corchia U-Th based chrono.	136.9±1.6 colder [E]			131±1	CS98
South Atlantic deep-water ventilation	Stack of U1308 CH69-K09 and ODP 1063	49.88°N, 24.24°W, 3883 m 41.36°N, 47.35°W, 4100 m 33.69°N, 57.62°W, 4564 m	135.9±2.0				130.3±1.6	129.2±1.4	W. Meditter. Sea SST (UK'37)	ODP 976	36.20°N, 4.31°E 1100 m depth	Alignment onto Corchia U-Th based chrono.	135.9±1.1 colder [A]	134 ±1.1 [B]	133.3** ±0.9 [C]	131.4±0.9 warmer [D]	Mantlat et al. (2014)
South Atlantic deep-water ventilation	MD95-2042	37.80°N, 10.17°E 3146 m					131.0±1.4 stronger vent. (T)	Shackleton et al. (2003)	Southern Ocean Summer SST (PFA)	MD95-2488	46.48°S, 88.02°E, 3420 m depth	Alignment onto AICC2012				130±2.1*** max. warm [E]	Govin et al. (2009)
South Atlantic deep-water ventilation	MD95-2488	46.48°S, 88.02°E 3420 m					131.9±2.1 stronger vent. (U)	Govin et al. (2012)	Southern Ocean SST (Mg/Ca)	MD95-2120	45.54°S, 174.92°E, 1210 m depth	Alignment onto AICC2012				128.1±2.5*** max. warm [S]	Govin et al. (2012) Pahske et al. (2003)
Planktic δ ¹⁸ O and δ ¹³ C _{org}									Air temperature (SAT)								
North Atlantic surface δ ¹⁸ O salinity	ODP980	55.80°N, 14.11°W 2180 m					130.0±1.3	Oppo et al. (2006)	Antarctic Annual SAT (ice drill)	EDC ice core	75.05°S, 123.35°E, 3233 m a.s.l.	Ice core	135.6±2.5 (warmer) [W]			129.4±1.8** max. warm [X]	Jouzel et al. (2007)
North Atlantic surface δ ¹⁸ O salinity	SI90-03	40.51°N, 32.05°W					131.0±1.1	CS98	SST	Corchia Caves, Italy	43.97°N, 13.0°E, 840 m a.s.l.	Alignment onto Corchia U-Th based chrono.				131.0±0.7 warmer [K]	(Dreydale et al., 2018)
North Atlantic surface δ ¹⁸ O salinity	MD95-2042	37.80°N, 10.17°E					131.6±1.5	Shackleton et al. (2003)	Vegetation/precipitation in Southern Europe	Lago di Monticchio, Italy	40.80°N, 15.58°E, 656 m a.s.l.	Independent absolute (varve chronology)				127.2±1.6 max. warmest [G]	Brauer et al. (2007)
North Atlantic surface δ ¹⁸ O salinity	ODP 976	36.20°N, 4.31°E					133.0±0.9	Mantlat et al. (2014)	(Temperature tree pollen)	Insularia tree sequence, Greece	39.45°N, 20.81°E, 470 m a.s.l.	Orbital tuning				132.7±2.3 water [H]	Tzedakis et al. (2003)
Speleothem δ ¹⁸ O									Intensity of Asian monsoon (δ ¹⁸ O _c)	Chineux Caves	25.28°N to 32.5°N 108.08-119.16°E 680-1980 m a.s.l.	Absolute U-Th based chronology	135.6±0.5 drier [M]	133.7 ±0.5 [N]	133.3** ±0.5 [O]	128.9±0.1 water [P]	Cheng et al. (2016)
North Atlantic surface δ ¹⁸ O	Corchia Caves, Italy	43.97°N, 13.0°E, 840 m a.s.l.					131.0±0.7 NA meltwater input (I)	Dreydale et al. (2009) Tzedakis et al. (2018) Martino et al. (2015)	Intensity of East Asian monsoon (grain size)	Chineux Caves	35.62-37.14°N 103.20-109.85°E	Alignment onto Hula-Sarbao U-Th based chrono.				130.2±0.4 o water [Q]	Yang and Ding (2014)
Mean ages for the beginning of μ1-μ5 from Tables 3 and 4									Mean ages for the beginning of μ1-μ5 from Tables 3 and 4								
Table 3			136.4±1.7	133.9±0.8	133.3±1.1		130.4±1.3	128.5±1.3	Table 4			136.4±1.7	133.9±0.8	133.3±1.1	130.4±1.3	128.5±1.3	

Data

CH69-K09
MD95-2042
ODP976
ODP980
ODP983
ODP1063

[SU90-03](#)

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