

Design for the Penultimate Deglaciation experiment

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

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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,
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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	PDGv1-PGMspin (PDG ⇔ <i>Penultimate DeGlaciation</i> - PGM ⇔ <i>Penultimate Glacial Maximum</i>)

	PMIP4 specifications
Astronomical parameters	eccentricity = 0.033 obliquity = 23.414° perihelion-180° = 73° Date of vernal equinox : Noon, 21st March
Solar constant	1361.0 ± 0.51365 W m ⁻²
Trace gases	CO₂ = 191 ppm CH₄ = 385 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] (Abe-Ouchi et al 2013; Briggs et al 2014; Tarasov et al 2012)
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	PDGv1
Initial conditions (140 ka)	Recommended: PDGv1-PGMspin 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] (Abe-Ouchi et al 2013; Briggs et al 2014; Tarasov et al 2012) 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

	PMIP4 specifications
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
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 Aerosols (dust)	Prescribed preindustrial cover or dynamic vegetation model 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									
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Tracer interpretation	Core	Coordinates and depth (m)	ψ1 (ka)	ψ2 (ka)	ψ3 (ka)	ψ4 (ka)	ψ5 (ka)	References	Tracer interpretation	Core, coordinates and depth/elevation	Chronology	ψ1 (ka)	ψ2 (ka)	ψ3 (ka)	ψ4 (ka)	ψ5 (ka)	References
Sea-level	Red Sea cores	-	Sea-level						Atm. CO ₂ concentration								
			137.0±0.7			133.4±0.7			Ice core								
			increases			main increase			135.8±2.7								
North Atlantic intermediate-depth ventilation	ODP983	60.40°N, 23.64°W 1984 m	Benthic δ ¹³ C						SST								
			136.1±1.2						128.7±1.3								
			weaker vent. (U)						131±1								
North Atlantic deep-water ventilation	ODP980	55.80°N, 14.11°W 2180 m				128.6±1.8			127.6±1.3								
Southern Ocean deep-water ventilation	MD95-2042	37.80°N, 10.17°E 3146 m				131.0±1.4			129.2±1.4								
						stronger vent. (U)											
Southern Ocean deep-water ventilation	Stack of U1308 + CH09-K09 and ODP 1863	49.88°N, 24.24°W, 3083 m 41.78°N, 47.25°W, 4100 m 33.09°N, 57.62°W, 4584 m	135.9±2.0														
Southern Ocean deep-water ventilation	MD02-2488	46.48°S, 88.02°E 3420 m	131.9±2.1			130.2±2.2											
			stronger vent. (U)			weaker vent. (V)											
North Atlantic surface δ ¹⁸ O salinity	ODP980	55.80°N, 14.11°W 2180 m	Planktic δ ¹⁸ O and δ ¹³ O _{sw}						Air temperature (SAT)								
									135.6±2.5								
									(warmer) [W]								
North Atlantic surface δ ¹⁸ O	SU90-03	40.57°N, 32.05°W				131.0±1.1											
North Atlantic surface δ ¹⁸ O	MD95-2042	37.80°N, 10.17°E 3146 m	131.6±1.5														
North Atlantic surface δ ¹⁸ O	ODP 976	36.20°N, 4.31°E	133.9±0.9			131.6±1.5											
North Atlantic surface δ ¹⁸ O	Corchia Cave, Italy	43.97°N, 13.0°E, 840 m a.s.l	Spherothem δ ¹⁸ O _{ex}						Precipitation								
			133.9±1.2			131.0±0.7			127.2±1.6								
			N. melivorum (upr) (U)			N. melivorum (pored) (U)			max. warm [G]								
North Atlantic surface δ ¹⁸ O	Corchia Cave, Italy	43.97°N, 13.0°E, 840 m a.s.l	133.9±1.2			131.0±0.7			128.4±1.8**								
									max. warm [G]								
									131.0±0.7								
North Atlantic surface δ ¹⁸ O	Corchia Cave, Italy	43.97°N, 13.0°E, 840 m a.s.l	133.9±1.2			131.0±0.7			128.6±0.6								
									warmer [K]								
									128.1±2.5**								
North Atlantic surface δ ¹⁸ O	Corchia Cave, Italy	43.97°N, 13.0°E, 840 m a.s.l	133.9±1.2			131.0±0.7			Ice core								
									135.6±2.5								
									(warmer) [W]								
North Atlantic surface δ ¹⁸ O	Corchia Cave, Italy	43.97°N, 13.0°E, 840 m a.s.l	133.9±1.2			131.0±0.7			Independent absolute								
									varve chronology								
									127.2±1.6								
North Atlantic surface δ ¹⁸ O	Corchia Cave, Italy	43.97°N, 13.0°E, 840 m a.s.l	133.9±1.2			131.0±0.7			Orbital tuning								
									132.7±2.3								
									warmer [H]								
North Atlantic surface δ ¹⁸ O	Corchia Cave, Italy	43.97°N, 13.0°E, 840 m a.s.l	133.9±1.2			131.0±0.7			Absolute U-Th-based								
									chronology								
									135.6±0.5								
North Atlantic surface δ ¹⁸ O	Corchia Cave, Italy	43.97°N, 13.0°E, 840 m a.s.l	133.9±1.2			131.0±0.7			diater [M]								
									133.7								
									±0.5 [N]								
North Atlantic surface δ ¹⁸ O	Corchia Cave, Italy	43.97°N, 13.0°E, 840 m a.s.l	133.9±1.2			131.0±0.7			Intensity of Asian monsoon								
									(δ ¹⁸ O _{ex})								
									130.2±0.4								
North Atlantic surface δ ¹⁸ O	Corchia Cave, Italy	43.97°N, 13.0°E, 840 m a.s.l	133.9±1.2			131.0±0.7			Intensity of East Asian monsoon								
									(grain size)								
									130.2±0.4								
North Atlantic surface δ ¹⁸ O	Corchia Cave, Italy	43.97°N, 13.0°E, 840 m a.s.l	133.9±1.2			131.0±0.7			Alignment onto								
									Hulu-Sanbao								
									U-Th-based chrono.								
North Atlantic surface δ ¹⁸ O	Corchia Cave, Italy	43.97°N, 13.0°E, 840 m a.s.l	133.9±1.2			131.0±0.7			Mean ages for the beginning of ψ1-ψ5 from Tables 3 and 4								
									136.4±1.7								
									133.9±0.8								
North Atlantic surface δ ¹⁸ O	Corchia Cave, Italy	43.97°N, 13.0°E, 840 m a.s.l	133.9±1.2			131.0±0.7			Mean ages for the beginning of ψ1-ψ5 from Tables 3 and 4								
									130.4±1.3								
									128.5±1.3								
North Atlantic surface δ ¹⁸ O	Corchia Cave, Italy	43.97°N, 13.0°E, 840 m a.s.l	133.9±1.2			131.0±0.7			Mean ages for the beginning of ψ1-ψ5 from Tables 3 and 4								
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									136.4±1.7								
									133.9±0.8								

Data

You will find below the data mentioned in Table 3, Table 4, Figure 8 and Figure 9 of the GMD paper

The data files have a version string (`_vYYmmDD`) in their file name, indicating when they have been uploaded to this site (in case we have to update them later and use a more recent version/date).

CH69-K09 (txt)
MD95-2042 (txt)
ODP976 (txt)
ODP980 (txt)
ODP983 (txt)
ODP1063 (txt)
SU90-03 (txt)
SL_LIG_Dutton2017 (txt)
d13Cstack (txt) Stack of U1308, CH69-K09 and ODP1063
IRD-stack (txt)
Figure 9 data (xlsx)

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