

Supplementary Information for:

**Early maximum extent of paleoglaciers from
Mediterranean mountains during the last glaciation**

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Supplementary Information

The maximum extent of paleoglaciers in central Spain and its sampling for ^{10}Be dating

The maximum extent of glaciation in the mountains from central Spain was considered to be a large moraine system formed by the most continuous and longer lateral moraines (the frontal moraines are rarely preserved) that extends along the edges of the ablation zones of most of the paleoglacier valleys^{1,2}. This geomorphic unit is recognized along the different massifs and is called the Principal Moraine (PM). However, detailed geomorphologic mapping of glacier deposits has revealed that their extent exceeded the limit of the PM as shown by little moraines, boulder-belts and/or erratic strewn boulders. This unit, called Peripheral Deposits (PD), has been broadly recognized along the different massifs and its most external geomorphic features are considered the Glacial Maximum Extent (GME) of the region³. The PD and PM units are contiguous, which prevented the broad identification of the former unit until detailed geomorphic maps were available. Thus, in most cases PD cannot be recognized in the lateral moraine complexes because of the moraine distortion after glacier melt out due to the steep slopes of the valleys. However, the morphostructure of the summits in the Central Iberian System is characterized by the tectonic dislocation of a pre-Quaternary erosive surface that forms plateaus and shelves at different altitudes⁴. Thus, the areal distribution of elevations shows frequent relatively flat surfaces at the altitude where moraines were deposited during the GME stage: around 1400 to 1900 m asl (Fig. S1). The limited slope in these locations has favoured the preservation of the original morphology of the paleoglaciers extent during different stages, allowing a clear differentiation of MP and PD units. The external limits of both units are close in space (<100-500 m), and PM frequently overrides in part the PD, especially when PM is very large in comparison with PD. Nevertheless, the overlapping of these geomorphic units responds to local glacier dynamics and the PM clearly represents a regional stage with smaller areal extent than the PD. The identification of geomorphic features predating the last glaciation (e.g., flared slopes or heavily weathered boulders) in contact with the external edge of the PD indicates that the glaciers reach their GME while depositing external geomorphic features of the PD.

We chose to date certain boulders by *in situ*-produced cosmogenic ^{10}Be exposure dating if they showed signs of glacier abrasion, limited apparent weathering after deposition and no signs of rotation since original placement. As the glaciers of these mountains frequently produced large boulders, we only considered samples that were boulders standing 1 to 5 m from the surface, showed evidence of glacial erosion, were situated just on the crest of a moraine if they were not erratic boulders, and were found 'in place' in a stable position with no signs of rotation. These sampling criteria limited the possibilities of the boulders to retain a ^{10}Be inheritance from pre-exposure or to have been previously buried or tilted/rolled due to sediment erosion at its base. Additionally, boulders with heavy signs of post-depositional weathering were avoided, minimizing the lost of material due to erosion at the rock surface. Boulders that did not fit these criteria were not sampled, which implies that the most external boulders of each glacier were not always sampled even if they were identified. Boulders from different geomorphic features of the PD (i.e., moraines, boulders-belts or erratic boulders) were sampled. When possible at least two samples were taken in each geomorphic feature.

The most external geomorphic features of the PD are frequently erratic boulders. The scattered distribution of these boulders illustrates the scarce sedimentologic record available for the GME, especially considering the narrow fringe for these elements to occur within the PD unit along the edges of the paleoglacier (i.e., tens of metres). Therefore, even if the most external recognized geomorphic features have been sampled in all the surveyed glaciers, there is an inherent risk for the GME to lack a geomorphic record in the studied sequence (i.e., the most external geomorphic features identified could not represent the GME of the paleoglacier). Alternatively, geomorphic features from the GME could have been lost with time or have doubtful signs of glaciation, in which case they were not considered in this research. A statistical approach was considered to minimize this factor by surveying several sequences from different massifs. Thus, the combination of samples from different paleoglaciers is used to provide a statistically representative age for the paleoglacier stages in the region assuming that paleoclimate and not local factors dominated the extent of the glaciers.

Interpretation of $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ record from Eagle Cave stalagmites

The $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ and $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ isotope values of the carbonate speleothems EA1 and EA4 along the growth axis of both stalagmites have a poor correlation ($r^2=0.07$ in both cases). Additionally, two profiles along single laminas in EA-4 speleothem (EA1 is too thin and does not have discernible laminas) show no correlation at 90% confidence interval (p-values >0.1) and there is no significant increase of $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ aside from the centre of the speleothem. These data support that kinetic fractionation was close to equilibrium conditions⁵ and does not control the variability of the stable isotope signal in these speleothems. However, the $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ record from Eagle Cave stalagmites depends on several factors (i.e., temperature, amount of rainfall, seasonality of rainfall, source of moisture, seawater $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ composition and mineralogy). Nevertheless, quantification of the impact of some of these controls allows the evaluation of their impact in the recorded signal.

The monthly rainfall $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values at Eagle Cave, collected from 2009 to 2011, are positively correlated with temperature $0.23 \text{ ‰/}^\circ\text{C}$ ($r^2=0.42$, p-value <0.01 , $n=30$), although this thermal dependence is counteracted with the fractionation during calcite/aragonite precipitation, which magnitude range from -0.21 to $-0.24\text{‰/}^\circ\text{C}$ between 0 and $20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ^{6,7}. Any possible misbalance between these two gradients falls within carbonate analytical uncertainties (0.1 ‰). Therefore, temperature should not impact the $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ record significantly, which is confirmed by the speleothems isotope signal. During the relatively warm Early Holocene isotope values have some of the lowest values, whereas high isotope values are achieved during the extreme cold Heinrich events H2 and H3 in Iberia^{8,9}.

A relationship of $-1.64\text{‰/}100 \text{ mm}$ exists between monthly amount of rainfall and its $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values ($r^2=0.33$, p-value <0.01 , $n=30$). However, a more pronounced isotopic gradient of $-4.15\text{‰/}100 \text{ mm}$ ($r^2=0.39$, p-value <0.01 , $n=25$) is achieved when the months with rainfall over 150 mm are excluded (above this threshold the isotope ratio does not respond to amount of rainfall, probably indicating the exhaustion of the rainfall storage, preventing further Rayleigh distillation). The inter-annual relationship of amount of rainfall and its oxygen isotope ratio provides a more realistic gradient of $-0.29\text{‰/}100 \text{ mm}$ ($r^2=0.99$, $p<0.01$, $n=3$), although the short time series makes this number tentative. In any case, these gradients show that changes in amount of rainfall could explain $>1\text{‰}$ variability in the $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ record. The low $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values during the Early

Holocene in comparison with the glacial period agree with the expected impact of amount of rainfall on $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values due to wetter conditions after the glaciation^{8,9}. The control of amount of rainfall in the recorded isotope ratio is also supported by the highest $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values recorded during Heinrich events H2 and H3, which were extremely dry in the Peninsula^{8,9}.

Seasonality in the monthly rainfall oxygen isotope ratio is on the order of 8‰ at Eagle Cave. Thus, lower $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values in the karst aquifer recharge should be expected with increased winter precipitation and vice versa. The impact of this factor in available isotope rainfall data is difficult to evaluate due to the short time series, but available data show no significant correlation (at 90% of confidence interval) between annual isotope ratios and percentage of winter precipitation (JFM). Additionally, seasonality is expected to follow changes in precession and obliquity orbital parameters. The combination of these two parameters in a normalized forcing record¹⁰ suggests a maximum forcing at 11 ka (increased seasonality) and a minimum at 25 ka (reduced seasonality) with a smooth transition between extremes. The $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ record of Eagle Cave shows relative minimum $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values during both periods and a lack of smooth transitions. Therefore, although this effect should not be considered negligible there is no evidence of its impact on the $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ record.

Most of the rainfall received over the Iberian Peninsula has a moisture source in the North Atlantic¹¹. The moisture pools are related to ocean surface conditions¹², and they would be displaced not only with changing wind regimes but with modifications of ocean current dynamics¹³. A significant parameter to be considered is the sea-ice cover during winter, which prevents the uptake of moisture in the ocean from higher latitudes. Thus, periods with increased sea-ice cover, typical of reduced AMOC (Atlantic Meridional Overturning Circulation)¹⁴, imply a biased moisture uptake towards lower latitudes in the North Atlantic which surface ocean waters have higher $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values¹⁵. The high values of Eagle Cave $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ record during the glacial times in comparison to the Early Holocene are in agreement with the effects expected from the described modification of the moisture source. The highest isotope values are recorded during the Heinrich events H2 and H3, which is in agreement with extended sea-ice cover during these periods¹⁶. Therefore, this factor could have a significant impact in the Eagle Cave $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ record. However, lack of isotopic response in Eagle Cave speleothems during the Heinrich event H1, when AMOC circulation was drastically reduced affecting sea surface conditions^{14,17} suggests that moisture source effect is limited in comparison with the control due to the amount of rainfall.

The modification of the ocean surface isotope composition ($\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{sw}}$) is important to explain the speleothem records variability¹⁸. During the last 33 ka, the volumetric changes in continental glaciers and the relative sea level were severe¹⁹, influencing the isotope composition of the surface of the ocean²⁰. Therefore, the speleothem carbonate has been corrected for the ice volume effect according to sea level changes²¹ considering a rate of change of 0.06‰/10 m of sea level²². This correction shifts the isotope signal towards higher isotope values during lower relative sea levels and makes it possible to compare the speleothem $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ signal during different periods regardless the changes in the global continental ice volume.

The stalagmites EA1 and EA4 are composed of both aragonite and calcite minerals. The isotope fractionation between water and these two carbonates differ by 0.6-0.78‰ for

the temperature range 0-30 °C^{7,23}. Carbonates with higher content of aragonite provide higher $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values in Eagle Cave stalagmites (Fig. S5). The percentage of aragonite during most of the record is <17% and therefore isotope ratio variability related to different mineralogy is within uncertainty in oxygen isotope determinations. During Heinrich events H2 and H3 aragonite dominates the carbonate mineralogy. These periods record higher $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values in the order of 1.4‰, which implies that the mineralogical factor explain only part of this isotope anomalies. In speleothems recording both minerals, occurrence of aragonite is considered an indicator of dry conditions²⁴. The occurrence of periods with aragonite as dominating carbonate in Eagle Cave speleothems as an indicator of dry periods is in agreement with regional paleoclimate reconstructions^{8,9}. Thus, the positive oxygen isotope anomalies recorded during Heinrich events H2 and H3 result mostly from the cumulative effects of different mineral fractionation, amount of precipitation and likely the source of precipitation.

Several factors affect the oxygen isotope composition of Eagle Cave record. Some of these controls can be corrected ($\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{sw}}$) or considered to affect just some sectors of the speleothem (mineralogy), whereas other controls are considered negligible or do not seem to impact significantly the record (temperature and seasonality). After evaluation of the possible factors affecting the $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ signal in Eagle Cave speleothems, we consider that most of the variability in the record seems to be dominated by the amount of rainfall with the source of precipitation potentially playing a secondary but significant role in controlling the isotope signal.

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Figures

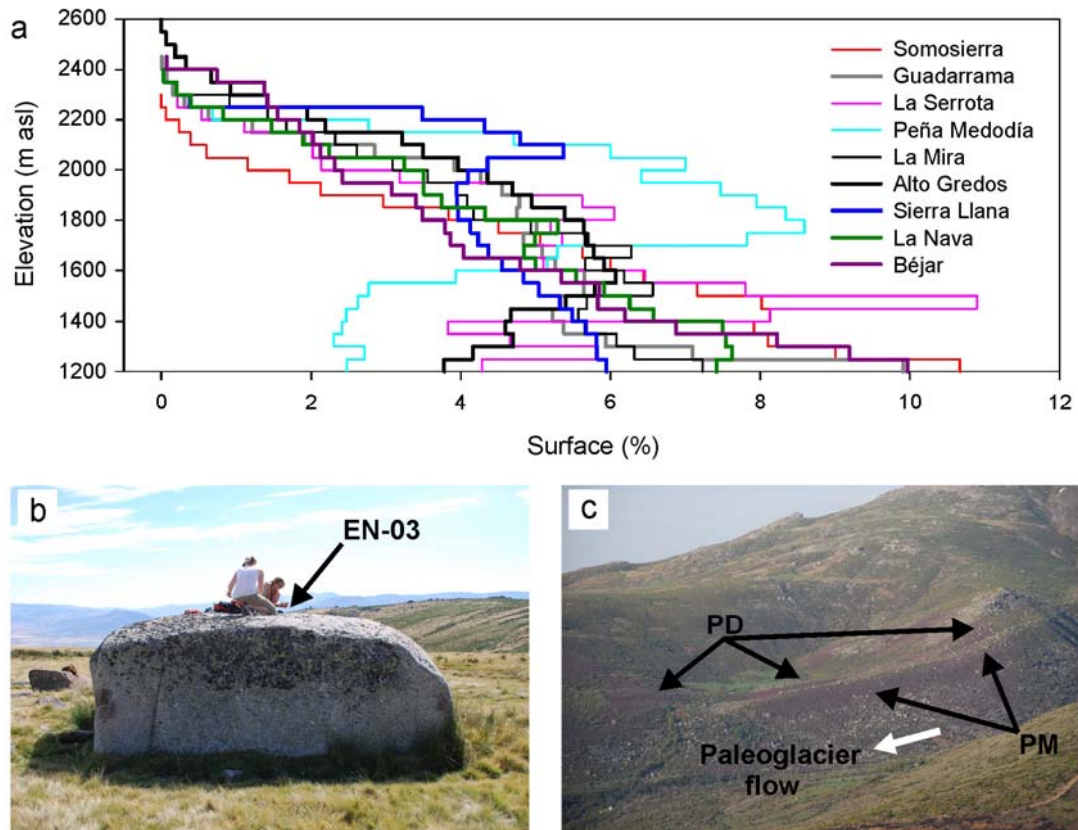


Fig. S1. Sampling of boulders from the PD unit in the Spanish Central System. (a) Plot showing the percentage of terrain above 1200 m asl for different massifs. The existence of plateaus and shelves favours the preservation of complete glacier deposit sequences. (b) Typical large erratic boulder at the GME stage without signs of rotation. The code sample of the ^{10}Be date is shown, see table S2. (c) Example showing PM and PD units in the right lateral moraine of El Duque paleoglacier in Béjar Range. Note the large dimensions of PM in comparison with PD.

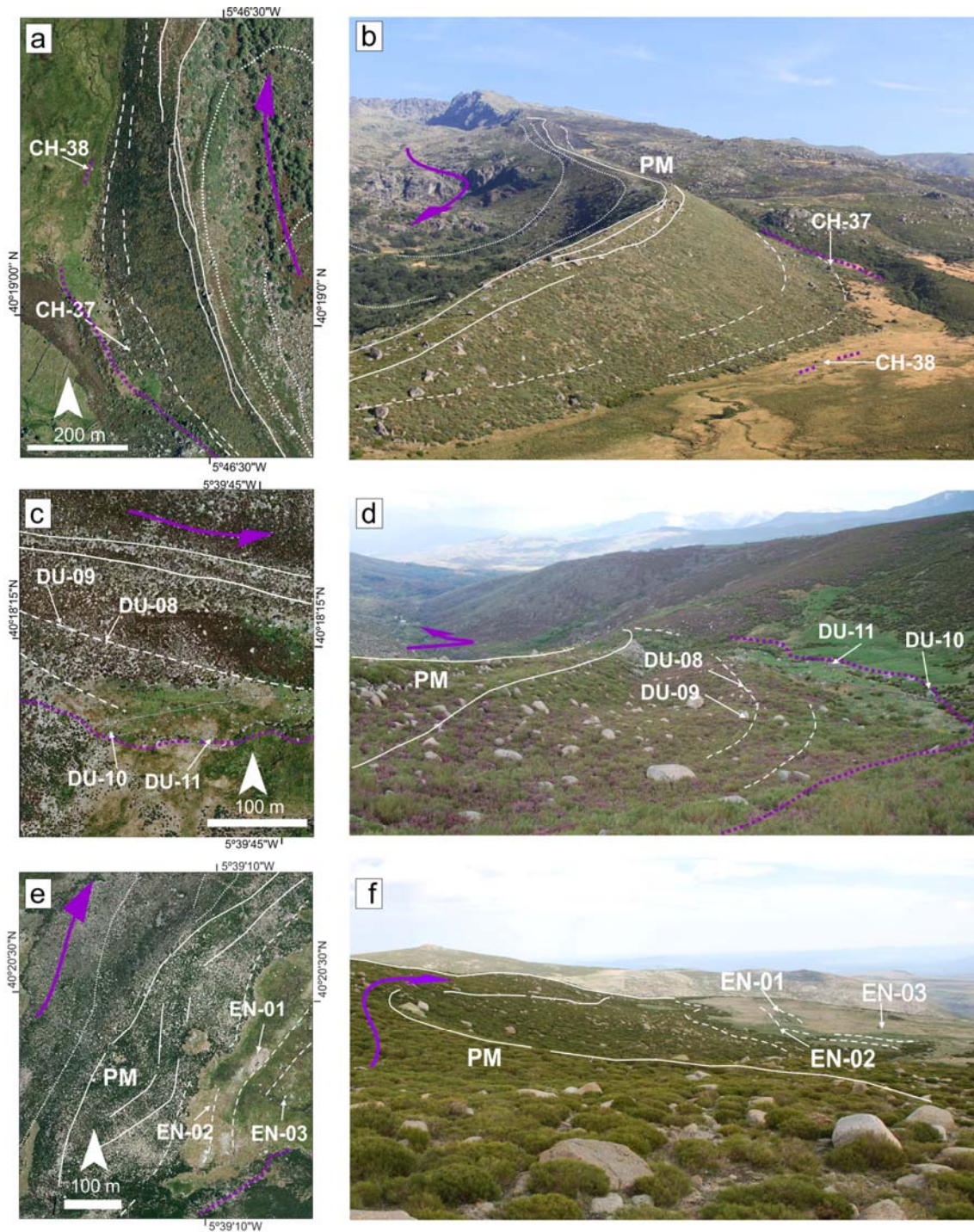


Fig. S2. Bejar Range maps and pictures showing the main geomorphic features identified around the sampling sites. For wider context within the paleoglaciers see Fig. 1. The maps represent the edge of the paleoglaciers reconstructed from erratic boulders (dotted purple line) and the moraine crests or boulders-belts from the PD unit (dashed white lines), PM unit (continuous white lines) and the geomorphic features from the recessional units (dotted white lines). Note that all maps are oriented to the North (white arrow tip) and have a scale bar, although oblique pictures have different orientations. Paleoglaciers flow (purple arrow) is shown in most of the images for clarification. Sampled boulders are identified with the same code as in table S2. (a, b) Cuerpo de Hombre paleoglaciers orthophoto and oblique picture. (c, d) Duque paleoglaciers orthophoto and oblique picture. (e, f) Endrinal paleoglaciers orthophoto and oblique picture. The orthophotos to construct the maps are from the free access database of the IGN (www.ign.es).

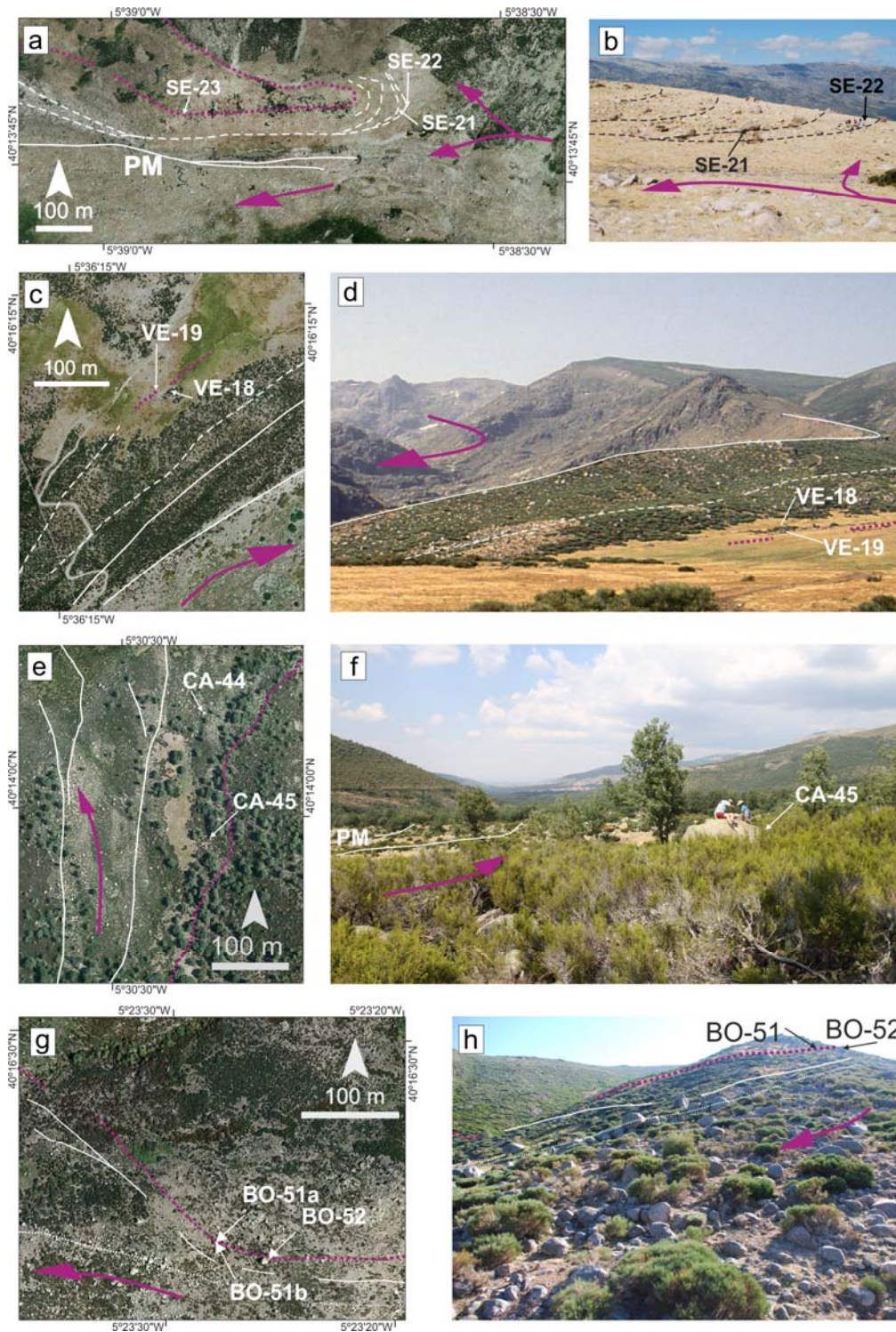


Fig. S3. Gredos Range maps and pictures showing the main geomorphic features identified around the sampling sites. For wider context within the paleoglaciers see Fig. 1. The maps represent the edge of the paleoglaciers reconstructed from erratic boulders (dotted purple line) and the moraine crests or boulders-belts from the PD unit (dashed white/black lines), PM unit (continuous white lines) and the geomorphic features from the recessional units (dotted white lines). Note that all maps are oriented to the North (white arrow tip) and have a scale bar, although oblique pictures have different orientations. Paleoglacier flow (purple arrow) is shown in the images for clarification. Note that a north arrow and a scale are shown in every map. Sampled boulders are identified with the same code as in table S2. (a, b) Serrá paleoglacier orthophoto and oblique picture. (c, d) Vega paleoglacier orthophoto and oblique picture. (e, f) Caballeros paleoglacier orthophoto and oblique picture. (g, h) Bohoyo orthophoto and oblique picture. The orthophotos to construct the maps are from the free access database of the IGN (www.ign.es).

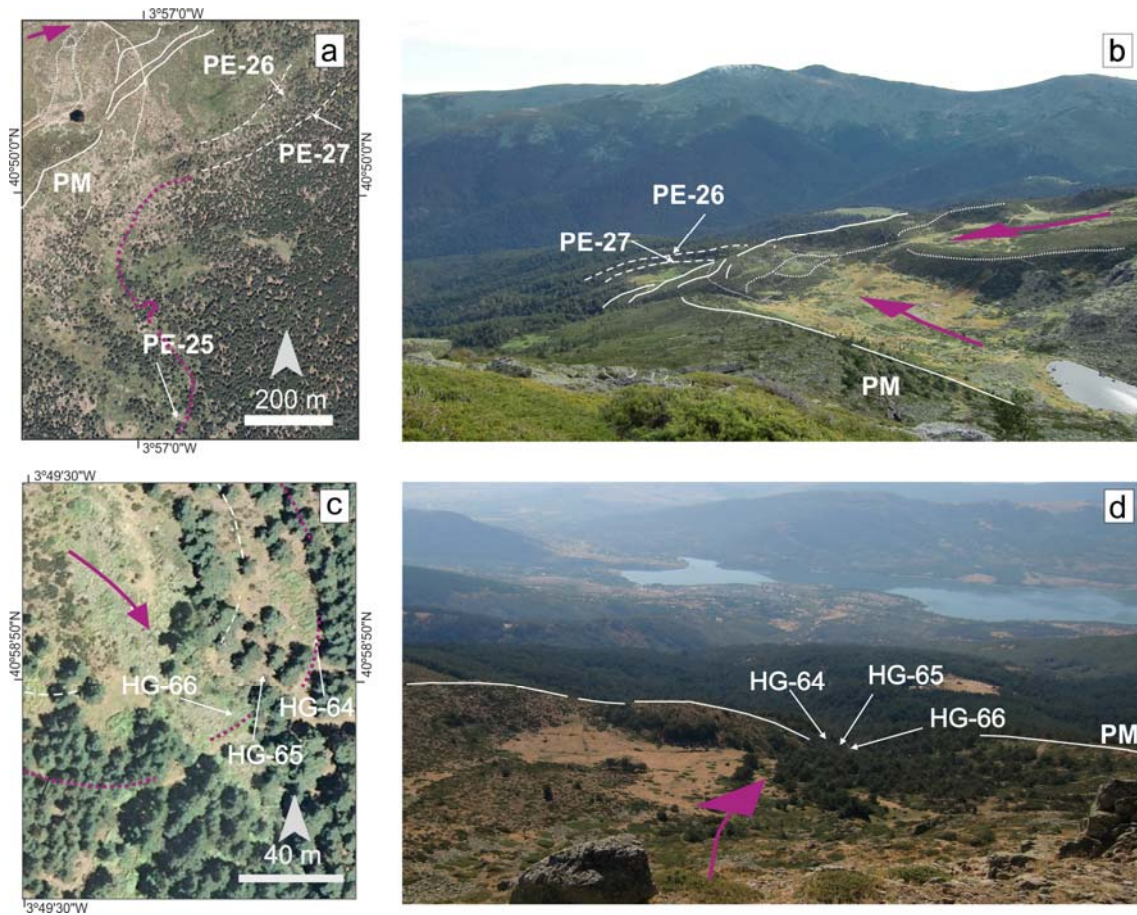


Fig. S4. Guadarrama Range maps and pictures showing the main geomorphic features identified around the sampling sites. For wider context within the paleoglaciers see Fig. 1. The maps represent the edge of the paleoglaciers reconstructed from erratic boulders (dotted purple line) and the moraine crests or boulders-belts from the PD unit (dashed white lines), PM unit (continuous white lines) and the geomorphic features from the recessional units (dotted white lines). Note that all maps are oriented to the North (white arrow tip) and have a scale bar, although oblique pictures have different orientations. Paleoglacier flow (purple arrow) is shown in the images for clarification. Sampled boulders are identified with the same code as in table S2. (a, b) Peñalara paleoglaciers orthophoto and oblique picture. (c, d) Hoyo Grande paleoglaciers orthophoto and oblique picture. The orthophotos to construct the maps are from the free access database of the IGN (www.ign.es).

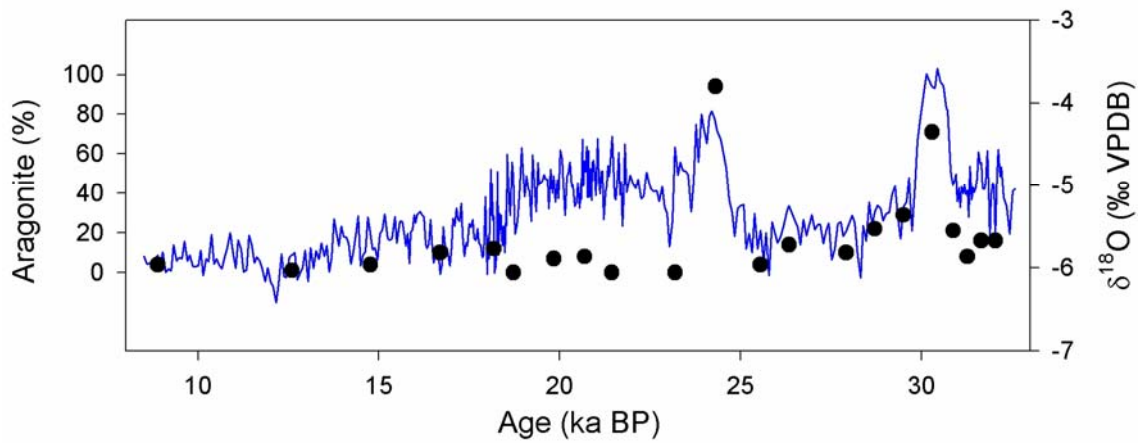


Fig. S5. Eagle Cave $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ record (blue line) with the percentage of aragonite in speleothem carbonate along EA1 and EA4 samples (black dots).

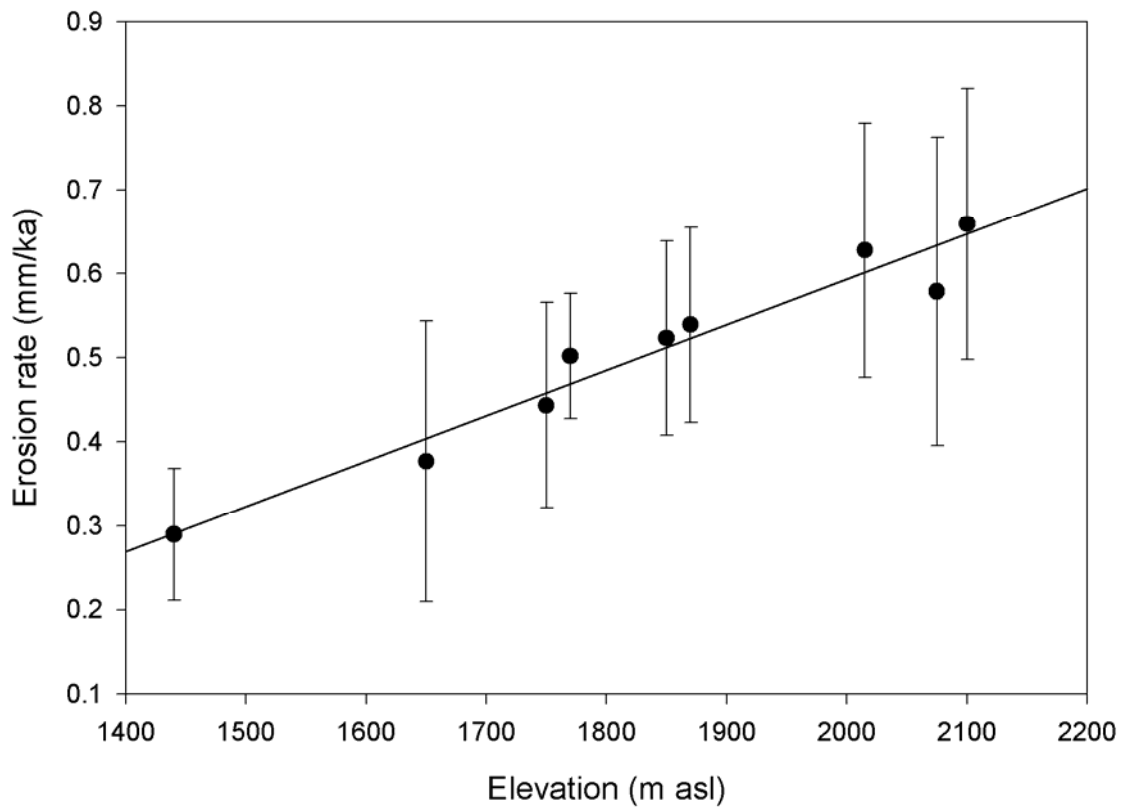


Fig. S6. Relationship between erosion rate and elevation of the measured sites in mountains from central Spain.

Table S1. Evaluation of chronologies for the glacier maximum extent in the Mediterranean region during the last glacial period. The list is a non exhaustive compilation of most significant or regionally relevant studies. The Iberian Central System is overrepresented in relation to other Mediterranean massifs to allow comparison of proximal sites to this study. Chronologies are considered robust (in bold) if they satisfy five criteria. Acc.: the accuracy of the method was controlled/corrected and no significant bias is expected; Rep.: the dates for this stage are replicated within uncertainties; GME: the provided date corresponds exactly with geomorphic indicators of the GME and there are no doubts about its identification; GC: the dated sequence is coherent within the geomorphologic context; PC: the chronology for the maximum extent of the glacier is coherent with regional paleoclimate. Dates are reported with their uncertainties unless a time range is reported, in which case an hyphen is used between maximum and minimum ages. Different stages around the maximum extension of glaciers are split with a slash. The chronologies of studies in which several dates are reported for the same stage lacking a synthetic age are reported as single dates separated by semicolons.

Site	Ref.	Dating technique	Age/s for GME (ka/ ka BP / cal ka BP)	Acc.	Rep.	GME	GC	PC
Iberian Massifs								
Serra da Estrela	25	TL	33.1±5.0; 30±4.5	N	?	?	Y	Y
Gredos valley	26	³⁶ Cl	25.2±1.2; 24.2±0.9	N	?	N	Y	Y
Pinar valley	27	³⁶ Cl	23.2±1.3; 22.3±1.6	N	?	N	Y	Y
Guadarrama	28	³⁶ Cl	31.8±0.9	N	N	N	Y	Y
S ^a Nevada	29	³⁶ Cl	30.0±1.1; 19.6±0.8; 19.0±1.0	N	N	N	Y	Y
Sanabria	30	¹⁴ C	>26.0-25.2; 22.2-21.5	?	N	N	Y	Y
Sierra de Neila	31	¹⁴ C	>21.0-19.9	?	N	N	Y	Y
Pyrenees								
Multiple sites	32	¹⁴ C	>44.1-24.6	N	N	N	Y	N
Lourdes	33	¹⁴ C	>24.3-23.6	?	N	N	Y	Y
Gallego/Cinca	34	OSL	85±5 / 64±11 / 36±3 / 20±3	N	Y	Y	Y	N
Portalet	35	¹⁴ C	>33.8-32.2 / 23.4-17.0	N	N	N	N	Y
Ribagorza	36*	¹⁰ Be & ¹⁴ C	22.6±4.7; 19.2±2.0; 27.3-24.9; 22.6-21.1	Y	?	N	Y	Y
Malniu	37	¹⁰ Be	76.5±2.0; 49.2±1.3 / 23.9±0.6-21.3±0.6	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Têt	38**	¹⁰ Be	22.0±3.6 / 21.1±3.1	Y	Y	N	Y	Y
Carol	39	¹⁰ Be	22.9±2.7; 22.1±3.4; 21.7±2.8	Y	Y	N	Y	Y
Ariège	40	¹⁰ Be	81.4±14.6; 34.9±3.4	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Southern Alps								
Maritime Alps	41	¹⁰ Be	20.1±1.1	Y	?	N	Y	Y
Ivrea	42	¹⁰ Be	32.4±4.0; 27.9±3.1 / 20.8±1.5	Y	N	N	Y	Y
Verbano/Lario	43	¹⁴ C	22.4-21.6; 21.8-20.7	N	Y	N	Y	Y
Val Sorda	44	IRSL	18.7±2.1	?	N	?	Y	Y
Tagliamento	45	¹⁴ C	26.5-23 / 24-21	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Apennines								
Gran Sasso	46	¹⁴ C & Tephra	28.9-24.9 / 24.9-20.5	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Campo Felice	47	¹⁴ C & Tephra	27.5-26.2 / 23.2-22.1 / 19.5-18.9	N	N	Y	Y	Y
Balkans/Greece								
Montenegro	48	U-Th	>13.4±0.3	N	N	N	N	N
Mnt. Pindus	49	TL/ESR	28.0±7.1-24.3±2.6 / 19.6±3.0	N	N	-	Y	Y
Turkey								
Mnt. Uludağ	50	¹⁰ Be	20.3±1.5	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Dedegöl Mts.	51	¹⁰ Be	24.3±1.8	Y	N	N	Y	Y
Mnt Sandıras	52	³⁶ Cl	20.4±1.3 / 19.6±1.6	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Mnt Erciyes	53	³⁶ Cl	21.3±0.9	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Kavron valley	54***	¹⁰ Be	21.5±1.6	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Verçenik valley	55***	¹⁰ Be	21.77±1.6	Y	N	Y	Y	Y

Y: Yes; N: No; ?: Not enough information to evaluate; -: Not applicable. * modified according to Rodés⁵⁶, ** modified according to Delmas³⁹, *** modified according to Zhano *et al.*⁵⁰.

Table S2. ^{10}Be determinations and calculated exposure ages for boulders from PD unit in Béjar, Gredos and Guadarrama ranges.

Sample code	Latitude (dd)	Longitude (dd)	Altitude (m asl)	^{10}Be (10^3 at/g)	Sample thickness (cm)	Exposure age (ka BP)** [$\varepsilon=0$ cm·a $^{-1}$]	Modelled erosion rate (cm·a $^{-1}$)	Exposure age (ka BP)** [ε =modelled]
EN-01	40.34073	5.65175	1859	338775 ±15343	5	18.9 ±2.1	0.00004422	19.0 ±2.1
EN-02	40.33987	5.65273	1865	341575 ±16707	5	18.9 ±2.1	0.00004452	19.1 ±2.1
EN-03	40.34005	5.65111	1853	477408 ±15254	2.5	26.5 ±2.8	0.00004387	26.7 ±2.8
DU-08	40.30414	5.66465	1450	292076 ±11683	2.5	21.8 ±2.3	0.00002377	21.9 ±2.4
DU-09	40.30430	5.66522	1460	276104 ±11044	3	20.5 ±2.2	0.00002427	20.6 ±2.2
DU-10	40.30335	5.66457	1436	336701 ±10101	5	27.0 ±2.8	0.00002302	27.1 ±2.8
DU-11	40.30333	5.66339	1426	260369 ±29649	2	20.3 ±3.1	0.00002257	20.3 ±3.1
VE-18	40.26973	5.60252	1607	342894 ±10250	5*	22.5 ±2.3	0.00003162	22.6 ±2.4
VE-19	40.26973	5.60252	1608	312877 ±27207	4	21.1 ±2.8	0.00003167	21.2 ±2.8
SE-21	40.23027	5.64377	1845	405369 ±10371	3*	21.9 ±2.2	0.00004412	22.1 ±2.3
SE-22	40.23030	5.64360	1843	400830 ±7466	5	22.1 ±2.2	0.00004342	22.3 ±2.3
SE-23	40.23007	5.64836	1862	423356 ±7287	5	23.3 ±2.4	0.00004437	23.5 ±2.4
PE-25	40.82868	3.94896	1758	125439 ±9125	4	7.8 ±0.9	0.00004482	7.8 ±0.9
PE-26	40.83500	3.94540	1828	345871 ±6311	2	19.7 ±2.0	0.00004267	19.9 ±2.0
PE-27	40.83536	3.94611	1840	335459 ±7625	3.5	18.7 ±1.9	0.00004327	18.8 ±1.9
CH-37	40.31615	5.77697	1555	310108 ±6202	5*	21.5 ±2.2	0.00002902	21.6 ±2.2
CH-38	40.31940	5.77798	1503	310108 ±6202	2*	23.0 ±2.3	0.00002642	23.1 ±2.4
CA-44	40.23454	5.50705	1295	282030 ±5919	3*	24.5 ±2.5	0.00001602	24.6 ±2.5
CA-45	40.23305	5.50689	1329	287155 ±4922	3*	24.5 ±2.5	0.00001767	24.6 ±2.5
BO-51a	40.27308	5.39108	1687	437679 ±23560	3*	27.6 ±3.1	0.00003562	27.8 ±3.2
BO-51b	40.27308	5.39108	1687	435133 ±16288	3*	26.7 ± 2.8	0.00003562	26.9 ±2.9
BO-52	40.27292	5.39049	1704	345193 ±10824	3*	21.6 ±2.3	0.00003647	21.8 ±2.3
HG-64	40.98071	3.82365	1801	376952 ±11578	4*	21.6 ±2.2	0.00004147	21.7 ±2.3
HG-65	40.98059	3.82389	1779	285164±7976	4*	17.3 ±1.8	0.00004127	17.4 ±1.8
HG-66	40.98044	3.82403	1793	384507 ±15152	5*	22.7 ±2.4	0.00004092	22.9 ±2.5

dd: decimal degrees; m asl: metres above sea level; Sample density is $2.7 \text{ g}\cdot\text{cm}^{-3}$ unless indicated by * which account for $2.65 \text{ g}\cdot\text{cm}^{-3}$. BP: before present, where “present” is considered the year 1950 AD; ε = erosion rate; ** scaling scheme according to Lifton *et al.*⁵⁷, external uncertainty is considered. Age calculation uses CRONUS-Earth v.2.2⁵⁸ and 07KNSTD standarization was used.

Table S3. Dates used for the age model of EA1 and EA4 speleothems

Sample ID	Distance from base (mm)	Weight (g)	^{238}U (ppb)	^{232}Th (ppt)	$\delta^{234}\text{U}$ meas.	[$^{230}\text{Th}/^{238}\text{U}$] activity	[$^{230}\text{Th}/^{232}\text{Th}$] atomic ratio (ppm)	Age corrected (yrs BP)*
EA4-11	684 ±2.0	0.1071	691.4 ±1.7	0 ±6	142.7 ±2.5	0.10875 ±0.00104	$8.3\cdot 10^5 \pm 3.6\cdot 10^8$	10,816 ±112
EA4-21	648 ±2.0	0.1151	2277.7 ±6.1	0 ±6	130.3 ±2.5	0.13245 ±0.00062	$5.2\cdot 10^9 \pm 3.4\cdot 10^{13}$	13,489 ±75
EA4-10	582 ±2.0	0.1361	1124.1 ±2.9	6 ±5	176.1 ±2.5	0.15894 ±0.00110	$5.3\cdot 10^5 \pm 4.9\cdot 10^5$	15,705 ±122
EA4-29	531 ±2.0	0.0954	4506.9 ±16.2	0 ±7	148.8 ±3.5	0.17596 ±0.00087	$2.7\cdot 10^7 \pm 4.3\cdot 10^8$	17,991 ±114
EA4-4	468 ±2.0	0.2138	353.8 ±0.9	69 ±3	-152.3 ±2.2	0.13245 ±0.00131	11206 ±543	18,540 ±210
EA4-18	376 ±2.0	0.1459	4037.4 ±15.9	188 ±5	120.3 ±2.6	0.19403 ±0.00103	68756 ±1783	20,591 ±131
EA4-9	325 ±2.0	0.1152	635.9 ±1.7	0 ±6	107.0 ±3.2	0.19420 ±0.00162	$1.1\cdot 10^9 \pm 3.5\cdot 10^{12}$	20,892 ±203
EA4-17	298 ±2.0	0.1037	39.5 ±0.1	0 ±7	124.2 ±6.2	0.20569 ±0.00540	$2.8\cdot 10^8 \pm 4.1\cdot 10^{12}$	21,876 ±650
EA1-4	674 ±2.5	0.1274	743.4 ±1.8	59 ±5	49.1 ±2.3	0.21161 ±0.00135	44265 ±4146	24,441 ±186
EA1-6	595 ±1.5	0.0867	1145.8 ±2.7	5 ±8	56.9 ±2.5	0.26037 ±0.00130	$9.6\cdot 10^5 \pm 1.5\cdot 10^6$	30,676 ±197
EA1-8	555 ±2.5	0.1051	193.2 ±0.4	6 ±7	37.4 ±3.5	0.26652 ±0.00216	$1.4\cdot 10^5 \pm 1.5\cdot 10^5$	32,234 ±332

*Age determination uses decay constants by Cheng *et al.*⁵⁹. Age corrections were calculated using an average crustal $^{230}\text{Th}/^{232}\text{Th}$ atomic ratio of $4.4\cdot 10^{-6} \pm 2.2\cdot 10^{-6}$. Those are the values for a material at secular equilibrium, with the crustal $^{232}\text{Th}/^{238}\text{U}$ value of 3.8. The errors are arbitrarily assumed to be 50%. B.P. stands for “Before Present” where the “Present” is defined as the year 1950 A.D. Age model was calculated using a linear interpolation between dates. The growth rate at the base of EA4 (below the sample EA4-17) was obtained by transferring the date of the sample EA1-4 into EA4 age model after matching of the $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ stratigraphy of both stalagmites. The analytical error associated to the dates is considered a minimum absolute error estimate.