

Supplement

Table S1: details of all Sentinel 2 (S2) and Landsat 8 (L8) satellite imagery used in this study.

Scene ID	Date	Satellite	Cloud Cover (%)
S2A_MSIL1C_20180516T150041_N0206_R125_T22WEV_20180516T170011	16-May-18	S2	9.8
S2A_MSIL1C_20180516T150041_N0206_R125_T22WFV_20180516T170011	16-May-18	S2	87.7
S2A_MSIL1C_20180526T145921_N0206_R125_T22WEV_20180526T201815	26-May-18	S2	68.6
S2A_MSIL1C_20180526T145921_N0206_R125_T22WFV_20180526T201815	26-May-18	S2	60.2
LC08_L1TP_008013_20180605_20200831_02_T1	05-Jun-18	L8	35.4
S2B_MSIL1C_20180610T150009_N0206_R125_T22WEV_20180610T183746	10-Jun-18	S2	16.1
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LC08_L1TP_008013_20180707_20200831_02_T1	07-Jul-18	L8	31.2
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S2A_MSIL1C_20180824T145911_N0206_R125_T22WEV_20180824T190305	24-Aug-18	S2	59.8

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LC08_L1TP_007013_20190617_20200828_02_T1	17-Jun-19	L8	10.5
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S2B_MSIL1C_20190801T144759_N0208_R082_T22WV_20190801T164915	01-Aug-19	S2	1.8
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S2A_MSIL1C_20190802T150921_N0208_R025_T22WV_20190802T170710	02-Aug-19	S2	7.3
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S2A_MSIL1C_20190812T150921_N0208_R025_T22WFV_20190812T201743	12-Aug-19	S2	11.3
S2B_MSIL1C_20190817T150809_N0208_R025_T22WEV_20190817T202054	17-Aug-19	S2	52.7
S2B_MSIL1C_20190817T150809_N0208_R025_T22WFV_20190817T202054	17-Aug-19	S2	16.4
LC08_L1TP_007013_20190820_20200827_02_T1	20-Aug-19	L8	11.1
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S2B_MSIL1C_20190824T150009_N0208_R125_T22WFV_20190824T201004	24-Aug-19	S2	27.8
S2A_MSIL1C_20190825T151911_N0208_R068_T22WEV_20190825T185502	25-Aug-19	S2	3.4
S2A_MSIL1C_20190825T151911_N0208_R068_T22WFV_20190825T185502	25-Aug-19	S2	0.0
LC08_L1TP_008013_20190827_20200826_02_T1	27-Aug-19	L8	42.5
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S2A_MSIL1C_20190918T150011_N0208_R125_T22WFV_20190918T201931	18-Sep-19	S2	98.3
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S2B_MSIL1C_20190923T150009_N0208_R125_T22WFV_20190923T200537	23-Sep-19	S2	26.7
S2B_MSIL1C_20190926T150949_N0208_R025_T22WEV_20190926T184849	26-Sep-19	S2	0.5
S2B_MSIL1C_20190926T150949_N0208_R025_T22WFV_20190926T184849	26-Sep-19	S2	0.0
S2A_MSIL1C_20190928T150011_N0208_R125_T22WEV_20190928T165931	28-Sep-19	S2	0.0
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Table S2: extent of manual editing of meltwater feature shapefiles in 2018 and 2019 datasets detailing number and area of features added and removed.

	Features Removed	Features Added	Area Removed (m ²)	Area Added (m ²)
15 June 2018	3340	8	2030013	2453440
13 July 2018	2469	9	1829722	6901536
19 August 2018	1942	0	809828	0
22 May 2019	1624	1	845160	85300
20 June 2019	3399	2	42607801	3925164
25 July 2019	20161	2	7326493	161847
17 August 2019	870	1	1095242	1039581

Text S1: Sensor resolution

An evaluation between meltwater feature areas derived from L8 and S2 images was done to determine if sensor resolution impacts lake detection. Individual lake area values of overlapping lake polygons, derived from L8 and S2 images from 8th June, 3 July and 29 August 2019, were compared. There was a strongly significant relationship between both lake area datasets throughout the season. There were no overlapping S2 and L8 images in the 2018 melt season to compare. Although S2 has been observed to detect meltwater at the boundaries of indistinguishable lakes more accurately than L8 (i.e. Arthur et al., 2020a), here it can be concluded that sensor resolution does not have a significant impact on meltwater detection or lake area, and both sensors can be used in conjunction.

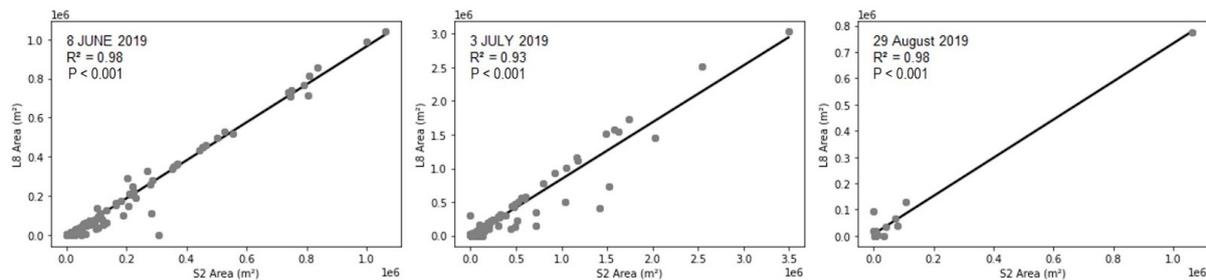


Figure S1: Lake area frequency distribution from three overlapping Landsat 8 and Sentinel 2 scenes throughout the 2019 melt season.

Text S2: Partitioning of lake drainage events

We use the 2019 dataset to highlight the influence of the time-scale of rapid and slow drainage events. A lake was determined to drain rapidly if > 80% of its volume was removed over between 1-5 days and a slowly draining lake was identified when it lost 20% of its volume over any time period. The proportion of rapid drainage events changes when the time stamp changes, highlighting how the number of drainage days used to determine a rapid drainage event can alter results considerably, especially seen between 3 days and 4 days. The typical time that previous studies use to determine a rapid drainage event is 4 days.

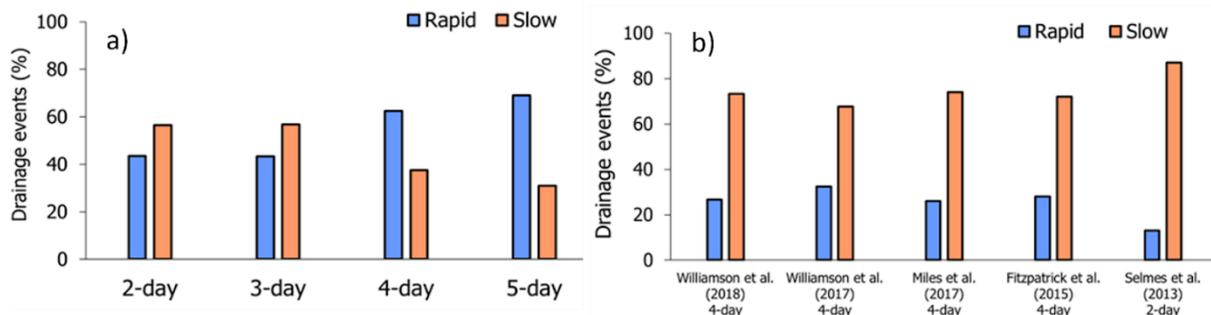


Figure S2: Partitioning of lake drainage events. a) percentage of rapid and slow drainage events in 2019 and number of days determining rapid drainage b) frequency of rapid and slow drainage events in previous SW Greenland studies.

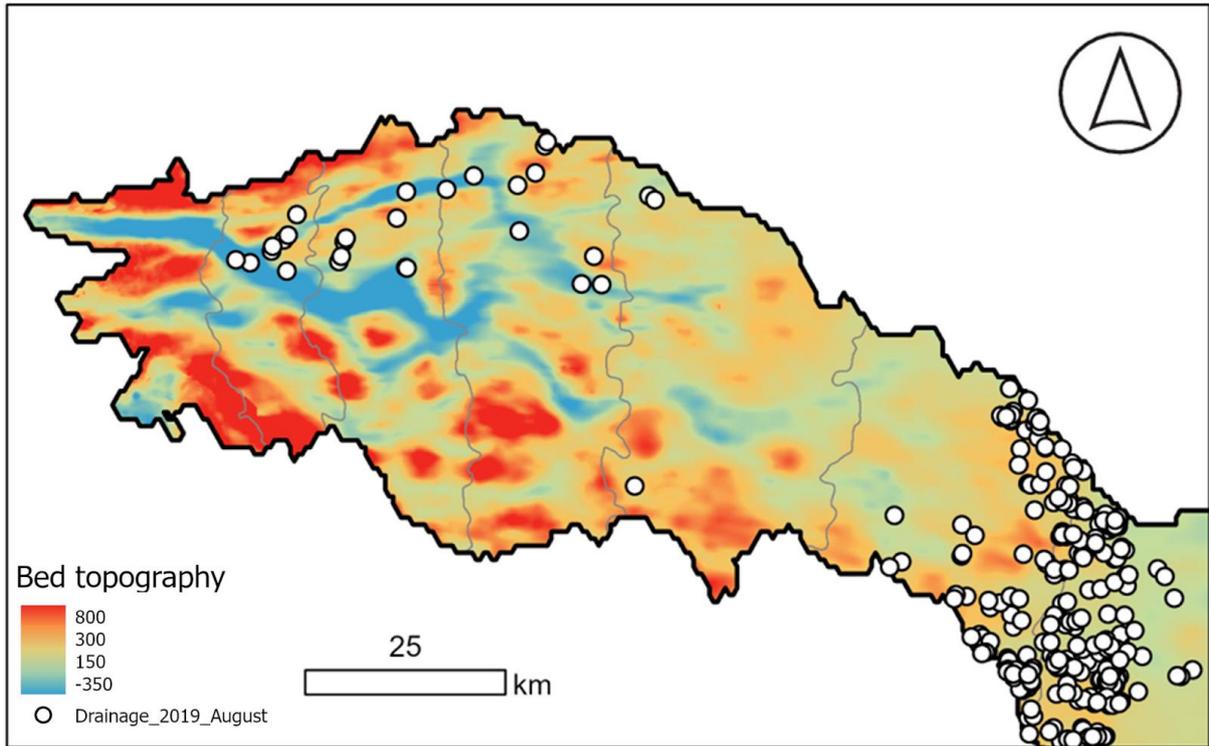


Figure S3: Drainage within the Russell/Leverett glacier catchment on 2 August 2019. Red to blue gradient represents bedrock topography in metres.