

Ejin Banner, August 23, 2025

Dear Editor, dear Carlos,

we are very pleased that the review process is now completed.

Reviewer #1 still found some typos for which we apologise. We corrected all.

The reviewer questioned the hyphenation in the title: " Should the title be "drill-core-scale"? with a three-word hyphenation? or you could drop the word "drill". I don't have a strong preference, but worth consideration." Here 'drill-core scale' is used as a compound adjective and to our knowledge of English grammar, the individual words should then be hyphenated. We suggest keeping it as is, but we are open to alternative suggestions by the journal.

We added a few words to the short summary and updated the Supplement according to the figure numbers in the current revised manuscript.

There are no copyright issues with any of the figures.

We thank you for handling our manuscript.

Kind regards,

Paul Bons, on behalf of all authors.