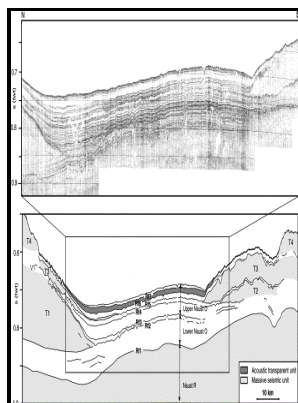


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High-resolution Chirp and Sparker system seismic profiles were analyzed to investigate the sequence stratigraphy of late Quaternary deposits in the southeastern Yellow Sea. Temporary ice-free conditions enhanced by subsurface Atlantic water advection and coastal polynyas accelerated the final ice sheet build-up during glacial times. Results show that the shelf-based ice started to build-up as early as 30 cal ka BP and reached a maximum during the Last Glacial Maximum LGM.

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The timing of the shelf-based ice is constrained on land by dating glaciolacustrine sediments with OSL and marine molluscs with radiocarbon and by re-evaluating IRD events in cores from the Fram Strait. The age of the formation of the morphological features in the southern part of the investigated area is presently unknown.

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The Barents-Kara Ice Sheet got progressively smaller during each glaciation, whereas the dimensions of the Scandinavian Ice Sheet increased.

Sequence analysis of high-resolution seismic profiles reveals that the shelf deposits form a succession of high-frequency five-order sequences consisting of one depositional sequence developed during the late Quaternary.

Seismic stratigraphy of Quaternary deposits in the north

The paleoceanography in the Nordic seas was characterized by apparently repeated switching on and off of Atlantic water advection. The modeling results are roughly compatible with the geological record of ice growth, but the model underpredicts the glaciations in the Eurasian Arctic during the Early and Middle Weichselian. In the southern part of the area there are indications of marginal deposits, though.

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