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1 **Recycling an uplifted early foreland basin fill: an example from the Jaca**
2 **basin (Southern Pyrenees, Spain)**

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9 **ABSTRACT**

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11 In the northern Jaca basin (Southern Pyrenees), the replacement of deep-marine by terrestrial
12 environments during the Eocene records a main drainage reorganization in the active Pyrenean
13 pro-wedge, which leads to recycling of earlier foreland basin sediments. The onset of late
14 Eocene-Oligocene terrestrial sedimentation is represented by four main alluvial fans: Santa
15 Orosia, Canciás, Peña Oroel and San Juan de la Peña, which appear diachronously from east to
16 west. These alluvial fans are the youngest preserved sediments deposited in the basin. We
17 provide new data on sediment composition and sources for the late Eocene-Oligocene alluvial
18 fans and precursor deltas of the Jaca basin. Sandstone petrography allows identification of the
19 interplay of axially-fed sediments from the east with transversely-fed sediments from the north.
20 Compositional data for the alluvial fans reflects a dominating proportion of recycled rock
21 fragments derived from the erosion of a lower to middle Eocene flysch depocentre (the Hecho
22 Group), located immediately to the north. In addition, pebble composition allows identification
23 of a source in the North Pyrenean Zone that provided lithologies from the Cretaceous carbonate
24 flysch, Jurassic dolostones and Triassic dolerites. Thus we infer this zone as part of the source
25 area, located in the headwaters, which would have been unroofed from turbidite deposits

26 during the late Eocene-Oligocene. These conclusions provide new insights on the response of
27 drainage networks to uplift and topographic growth of the Pyrenees, where the water divide
28 migrated southwards to its present day location.

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30 KEYWORDS: sediment sources; Pyrenees; Jaca basin; recycling; alluvial fans; provenance

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32 1. INTRODUCTION

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34 Sediment recycling is a common process in foreland basins, where large volumes of syntectonic
35 sediments can be reworked and reincorporated in younger deposits (Barone et al., 2008;
36 Schlunegger and Mosar, 2011; Orts et al., 2012; Garzanti et al., 2013). Characterization of this
37 process gives insights into the tectonic evolution and the erosional history of the source areas
38 (Graham et al., 1986; Fosdick et al., 2015). However, in complex geodynamic settings, reliable
39 criteria to identify detritus derived directly from basement rocks (igneous or metamorphic) or
40 recycled from clastic rocks are scarce (Garzanti et al., 2013). In order to assess this problem,
41 integration of various provenance sedimentary methods can provide valuable information about
42 the nature of the source regions (Suttner, 1974; Dickinson, 1988).

43 In the southern Pyrenees, the Jaca foreland basin records the abandonment of turbiditic
44 sedimentation (Hecho Group) during the late Eocene, followed by deltaic sedimentation that
45 ends up with the terrestrial deposits of the Campodarbe Group (Puigdefàbregas, 1975). This
46 transition is characterised by the progressive replacement of the axially-fed sediments
47 (eastern sources) that dominated during the deep-marine sedimentation, by transverse-fed
48 sediments (northern, hinterland sources) represented by thick conglomerate accumulations in
49 the northern margin of the Jaca basin. This occurred at a key stage of the basin evolution, when
50 its western connection with the Atlantic ocean was interrupted during the Priabonian, and the

51 basin became internally drained (Puigdefàbregas, 1975; Hogan and Burbank, 1996; Costa et al.,
52 2010).

53 In this work we apply sandstone petrography coupled with pebble point counting in order to
54 provide new data on sediment composition and provenance of the last deltaic and fluvio-alluvial
55 deposits of the Jaca basin. We analyse the main four alluvial fans of the northern margin of the
56 basin, known as Santa Orosia, Canciás, Peña Oroel and San Juan de la Peña fans, which record
57 the emersion of the former turbiditic basin due to activity of the Gavarnie thrust
58 (Puigdefàbregas, 1975; Teixell, 1996; Roigé et al., 2016). Deposition of these sedimentary
59 systems occurs while the northern active margin and folding structures emerging within the
60 basin controlled sediment dispersal patterns and sediment routing systems. The main aim of
61 this study is to define the sediment system response to the creation of new drainage patterns,
62 and the major paleogeographic reorganization that took place during the uplift and topographic
63 growth of the west-central Pyrenees.

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65 2. GEOLOGICAL SETTING

66 2.1 Geological and stratigraphic framework

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68 The Pyrenees are an alpine mountain belt that resulted from the collision between the Eurasian
69 and Iberian plates during the late Cretaceous-early Miocene (Roure et al., 1989; Muñoz, 1992;
70 Teixell, 1998; Vergés et al., 2002; Mouthereau et al., 2014). They consist of upper crustal,
71 doubly-vergent orogenic prism that developed from the inversion of a former Mesozoic basin
72 and from basement stacking, and grew diachronously from east to west. The northern side of
73 the belt, known as the North Pyrenean Zone (Fig. 1) is constituted by inverted extensional
74 Mesozoic basins, that are flanked by the Aquitaine basin to the north (Lagabrielle et al., 2010,
75 and references therein). The southern side (South Pyrenean Zone) is characterised by a
76 basement-involved thrust stack that in the west-central Pyrenees is composed of three main

77 thrust sheets, flanked to the south by the Ebro basin: The Lakora-Eaux-Chaudes, Gavarnie and
78 Guarga thrust sheets (Teixell, 1996; Labaume et al., 2016) (Fig. 1B). These thrust sheets involve
79 Paleozoic basement and a cover assemblage with preorogenic Mesozoic rocks and a foreland
80 basin sequence of late Cretaceous to early Miocene rocks. These synorogenic rocks of late
81 Santonian to early Miocene age constitute the South Pyrenean foreland basin which, during
82 Eocene times, concentrated the fluvio-deltaic sedimentation in the Àger and Tremp Graus
83 basins, to the east, that funneled sediments to the west, to the slope and deep-marine Ainsa
84 and Jaca basins (Nijman and Nio, 1975; Puigdefàbregas et al., 1992; Caja et al., 2010).
85 The deep-marine sedimentation in the Jaca basin accumulated a thick turbiditic succession (Fig.
86 1B), known as the Hecho Group (Mutti, 1985). The Hecho Group (lower-middle Eocene) was
87 mainly fed axially from eastern source areas, located in the uplifting Pyrenees and the Ebro
88 Massif to the south (Caja et al., 2010; Gómez-Gras et al., 2016). The end of turbiditic
89 sedimentation is characterised by the occurrence of a turbiditic channel, known as the Rapitán
90 channel (Remacha et al., 1995), that already displays paleocurrents from the north and records
91 the first sediment input from new emerged source areas located immediately north of the basin.
92 From that time, turbidite sedimentation was replaced by shallow marine and transitional
93 environments (starting in the Bartonian; Oms et al., 2003) when the basin depocentre migrated
94 to the south, to the central part of the basin (Teixell, 1996). The first delta slope sediments are
95 the Larrés marls (Fig. 2), which are related to the delta front deposits of the Sabiñánigo
96 sandstone Formation (Puigdefàbregas, 1975). Overlying these deposits, the Pamplona Marls
97 (Mangin, 1960) (Figs. 2, 3) represent the delta slope sediments of the Belsué-Atarés Formation
98 (Priabonian). These delta sediments are followed by coastal and terrestrial deposits of the
99 Campodarbe Group (upper Eocene-lower Oligocene molasse) that represent the overfilled stage
100 of the basin and are the last unit preserved in the basin (Puigdefàbregas, 1975; Labaume et al.,
101 1985; Barnolas and Teixell, 1994; Oliva-Urcia et al., 2015). The transition from marine to
102 terrestrial environments in the basin is diachronic, following the main westward progradation

103 of sedimentary systems (Puigdefàbregas, 1975; Dreyer et al., 1999), that ends with generalised
104 continental sediments marking the closure and the initiation of an endorheic basin stage, dated
105 to 36 Ma (Ortí et al., 1986; Payros et al., 1999; Barnolas and Gil-Peña, 2002; Costa et al., 2010).
106 The Campodarbe Group reaches a thickness of more than 3000 m in the central part of the basin
107 (Guarga syncline, Fig. 1B), where two main sediment routings can be identified: an east-derived
108 fluvial system that enters through the southeastern part of the basin, and a north-derived
109 alluvial fan system that characterizes the northern part of the basin (Puigdefàbregas, 1975;
110 Montes and Colombo, 1996). The order of formation of these north-derived alluvial fans is first
111 the Santa Orosia (Priabonian according to Oms et al., 2003), Canciás, then the Peña Oroel, and
112 finally the San Juan de la Peña fan (Figs. 2, 3) (Oligocene-Miocene according to Puigdefàbregas,
113 1975; early Oligocene according to Hogan and Burbank, 1996). Nonetheless, the lack of available
114 data regarding the precise age span of each alluvial fans does not allow for accurate correlation.
115 The transitional facies of the Belsué-Atarés Formation are mainly represented by mouth-bar
116 deposits, with a general westward progradation throughout the basin, controlled by growing
117 fold structures (Puigdefàbregas, 1975; Hogan, 1993; Labaume et al., 2016) (e.g., Yebra de Basa
118 and Atarés anticlines, Fig. 2). The overlying fluvial deposits of the Campodarbe Group are mainly
119 represented by the alternation of yellow shales with isolated sandstone channels in the lower
120 part, that grade upwards to red coloured shales and paleosols, linked with the thick
121 conglomeratic successions that are concentrated in synsedimentary synclines (Figs. 2, 3).

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123 2.2 Source-rock lithologies

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125 Potential source terranes for the Jaca basin during the late Eocene-Oligocene can be divided
126 into: (i) the Paleozoic basement of the Axial Zone, (ii) the preorogenic Mesozoic cover
127 successions, and (iii) a synorogenic assemblage of late Cretaceous-middle Eocene deposits. To
128 the north, the Axial Zone (Fig. 4) forms the core of the Pyrenean belt. It is constituted by an

129 assemblage of Cambro-Ordovician to Devonian metasedimentary units, followed by
130 Carboniferous flysch deposits, which are in turn intruded by Variscan granitoids (Carboniferous-
131 Permian) (Debon et al., 1996). These rocks are unconformably overlain by Permo-Triassic red
132 beds, or directly by Cretaceous limestones. The Mesozoic succession is constituted, when
133 complete, of Triassic shales, carbonates, evaporites and dolerites (Muschelkalk and Keuper
134 facies), followed by thick carbonate and sandstone-shale successions of Jurassic and Cretaceous
135 age. In the North Pyrenean Zone (Fig. 4), the Jurassic-Cretaceous succession is represented by
136 carbonates that are followed by a thick succession of deep water shales and turbidites of Aptian
137 to late Cretaceous age, intruded by basaltic subvolcanic rocks (Azambre, 1967). In contrast, in
138 the South Pyrenean Zone (Fig. 4), Cretaceous to lower Ypresian terranes are mainly represented
139 by platform carbonates that constitute thick accumulations of limestone, dolostone and sandy
140 deposits (e.g., the Marboré Sandstone; Souquet, 1967). The youngest set of potential source
141 rocks are those that form the Eocene clastic infill of the Àger, Tremp, Ainsa and Jaca basins,
142 which mainly consist of siliciclastic alluvial, deltaic and turbidite deposits (Figs. 1, 4).

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144 3. SAMPLING AND METHODS

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146 The four main fan areas (Santa Orosia, Canciás, Peña Oroel and San Juan de la Peña) were
147 described by stratigraphic logs (Figs. 2, 3) that show the transition from the deltaic/fluvial to
148 alluvial fan environments. In addition, two complementary sections (Sabiñánigo and Abenilla
149 areas) were studied in order to obtain a better resolution in the correlations between the
150 eastern sector (Canciás and Santa Orosia) and the western sector (Peña Oroel and San Juan de
151 la Peña), which are also dissected by the Yebra de Basa anticline-Jaca thrust (Fig. 2). Data from
152 the Santa Orosia section were published by Roigé et al. (2016) and here are further discussed
153 and reinterpreted.

154 One hundred twelve sandstone and conglomerate samples were collected from the four alluvial
155 fan areas. The number and spacing of samples were established according to the
156 representativeness of each analysed sedimentary system along the stratigraphic logs. Seventy-
157 two samples were chosen for quantification of the detrital modes through point counting
158 analysis under the polarizing microscope. Thin sections were prepared and stained using Na-
159 cobaltinitrite (Chayes, 1952) for suitable identification of feldspar, and Alizarine red-S staining
160 for distinction of carbonate composition, such as dolomite, ankerite and calcite.

161 The proportions of each detrital modes were established using the Gazzi-Dickinson point
162 counting method (Gazzi, 1966; Dickinson, 1970; Ingersoll et al., 1984; Zuffa, 1985). Three
163 hundred to five hundred points were counted for each thin section (Dryden, 1931), and classified
164 in 104 petrographic classes (including framework grains, diagenetic minerals, matrix and
165 porosity). All the framework grains were labeled according to the main four classes established
166 by Zuffa (1980): non carbonate extrabasinal (NCE), non carbonate intrabasinal (NCI), carbonate
167 extrabasinal (CE), and carbonate intrabasinal (CI). Metamorphic rock fragments were classified
168 according to their composition and metamorphic rank (Garzanti and Vezzoli, 2003).

169 Classification of volcanic grains was performed following the criteria of Marsaglia (1992) and
170 Critelli and Ingersoll (1995). As sandstone rock fragments are largely represented in most of the
171 studied samples, and constitute an important criteria for provenance interpretations, they were
172 classified according to their main compositional features. Those sandstone rock fragments
173 containing both intrabasinal and extrabasinal carbonate grains, with certain siliciclastic content
174 and general well-sorting, were labeled as "Hybrid sandstone fragments". This label is used
175 according arenite classification by Zuffa (1980), and coincides with the general sandstone
176 classification applied to the Hecho Group turbidites by Fontana et al. (1989) and Caja et al.
177 (2010). Following the guidelines by Zuffa (1985), samples were plotted and classified into first
178 to fourth order ternary diagrams. Petrofacies were represented in ternary diagrams, and mean

179 confidence regions (90%) were calculated for each of these with the “CoDaPack” software
180 (Comas-Cufí and Thió-Henestrosa, 2011).

181 In addition to the analysis of sandstone and the sandy matrix of conglomerate beds, a number
182 of outcrops were selected for point counting of clast lithologies. There were two clast-counting
183 locations in the Canciás fan, four in the Santa Orosia fan, four in the Peña Oroel fan and four in
184 the San Juan de la Peña fan. Procedures for clast counting followed the method of Howard
185 (1993), consisting at counting four closely spaced subsets of 100 clasts each, obtaining a total of
186 400 clasts for each studied location. In cases where identification of the clast lithology was
187 difficult, their nature was determined in thin sections. Some of the potential source areas for
188 these alluvial fans in the hinterland of the Jaca basin were also sampled, mainly located in the
189 Axial Zone, the Internal Sierras and the North Pyrenean Zone (Fig. 4), and compared to clasts
190 and rock fragments contained in the alluvial fans.

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192 4. RESULTS

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194 Samples of the Jaca basin contain a wide variety of grain types, here described and classified in
195 the four classes referred above (NCE, CE, NCI and CI). All the studied samples are grain supported
196 with a very low matrix ratio (less than 5% in most of them) and moderately to well sorted.
197 Authigenic minerals are related to cementation processes in most of the cases where calcite is
198 the main cement typology.

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200 4.1 Grain types

201 4.1.1 NCE

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203 Non-carbonate extrabasinal grains are those originated in the source area which lack a dominant
204 carbonatic composition, such as quartz, feldspar or lithic fragments (Fig. 5A).

205 Quartz is a common component that appears in all samples, with proportions ranging from 1.5%
206 to 45.5%. It has been classified as monocrystalline (undulose or non-undulose), polycrystalline
207 (with 2-3 or >3 subgrains) or contained in a rock fragment (sandstone or plutonic rock). Quartz
208 with evaporitic inclusions (anhydrite and halite) has also been classified as it occurs in a large
209 number of samples in proportions over 1-2% (Fig. 5E).

210 Feldspar is also a common component (up to 6.5%). Three types of feldspars distinguished are
211 orthoclase (<4%), microcline (<1.2%) and plagioclase (<1.9%). K-feldspar (Fig. 5A) appears non-
212 altered or, occasionally, slightly altered, while plagioclase usually shows higher degrees of
213 alteration.

214 Lithic grains are widely represented in all the samples, being in some cases the most dominant
215 component. Grains included in this type are metamorphic, volcanic, non-carbonatic sedimentary
216 and plutonic rock fragments. According to the criteria of Garzanti and Vezzoli (2003),
217 metamorphic rock fragments (Fig. 5A) are: (i) very low to low-grade (metapelites and phyllites),
218 (ii) medium-grade (mica schists, schists and chloritic schists), and (iii) high-grade (meta-
219 quartzite and micaceous quartzite).

220 Igneous grains are predominantly granitoid rock fragments (0.25% to 3%) and volcanic lithics.
221 Following the classification of Marsaglia (1992) and Critelli and Ingersoll (1995), three textures
222 of paleovolcanic lithics have been identified: (i) lathwork texture made of plagioclase and altered
223 augite (Fig. 5C), (ii) microlithic texture made of plagioclase microlites and, in lower proportions,
224 (iii) vitric texture. Muscovite, biotite, chloritized biotite and chlorite are the most common
225 phyllosilicate grains (<1%), appearing often as rock forming fragments, in schists or granitoids.

226 Non-carbonate sedimentary rock fragments are widely represented in most samples. Within this
227 category, distinction is made between sandstone (Fig. 5B), hybrid sandstone (Fig. 5D), siltstone,
228 hybrid siltstone and silicified rock fragments. Silicified rock fragments have been also subdivided
229 into radiolarite rock fragments (Fig. 5D) and silicified limestones (Fig. 5F). Heavy minerals are
230 always less than 1.5%, and are mainly zircon, tourmaline, apatite, titanite and epidote.

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232 4.1.2 NCI

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234 Non-carbonate intrabasinal grains are not a common component, and they appear always in
235 minor proportions as glauconite and argillaceous rip-up clasts. Glauconite is scarce, reaching
236 proportions close to 1% in some samples.

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238 4.1.3 CE

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240 Carbonate extrabasinal grains appear in all samples with a variety of textures (Fig. 6), being in
241 some cases the most dominant component (up to 78% of the total framework grains). A high
242 number of carbonate fragment typologies have been identified, such as (i) bioclastic and sparitic
243 limestones, (ii) dolostones, and (iii) dolomitic and dolomitized limestones. Fragments of
244 bioclastic limestones (Fig. 6A) were classified according Dunham (1962), appearing as micritic
245 and bioclastic mudstone (<22%), packstone-wackestone (<27%), and grainstone (<15%) (Fig.
246 6B, C). Sparitic limestone fragments are also present, and appear as monocrystalline calcite or
247 as polycrystalline sparitic calcite fragments (Fig. 6F).

248 Dolostone fragments (Fig. 6F) have been recognized as dolomicrite (<1%), polycrystalline sparitic
249 fragments (<7%) and single-grain dolomite.

250 Some of the alluvial fan samples of late Priabonian-Oligocene age exhibit significant amounts of
251 marine bioclasts (Fig. 6C-6E) as foraminifera (nummulitids, discocyclinids, miliolids), red algae or
252 bivalves. This marine faunal content is not consistent with the terrestrial environments
253 interpreted for the alluvial fans, so marine bioclasts have been classified as carbonatic
254 extrabasinal grains.

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256 4.1.4 CI

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258 Carbonate intrabasinal grains are mainly marine bioclasts (<15%), and subordinate micritic
259 intraclasts and caliche concretions (<1%). Bioclasts have been grouped in (i) larger benthic
260 foraminifera and planktonic foraminifera (nummulitids, discocyclinids and milliolids), (ii) other
261 bioclasts, red and green algae, bivalves, ostracods, bryozoans and corals, and (iii) silicified
262 bioclasts and calcite cement replacing bioclasts.

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264 4.2 Clast types

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266 The most common clast type are hybrid sandstone clasts, which have been classified according
267 to granulometry (very fine, fine, medium, coarse, and very coarse grained). Some of these clasts
268 show internal gradation or lamination, and are distinctive among other sandstone clasts for their
269 yellowish-brown colour.

270 Quartzarenite and/or siliciclastic sandstone or siltstone (occasionally red-coloured) clasts
271 appear in minor proportions. A few conglomerate and metamorphic-rich breccia clasts have
272 been also found in almost all the alluvial fans.

273 Limestone clasts are also represented in all the alluvial fans. Grey limestones with a fossiliferous
274 content are the most abundant clasts, together with grey limestones with bedded black chert.

275 Grainstone and packstone clasts also occur, with bioclasts like alveolines, nummulites,
276 orbitolines, bivalves, rudists or red algae. Other kind of limestone like white calcareous
277 mudstones or boundstone clasts have been also identified. Black and orange calcarenites are
278 subordinate, together with some carbonatic breccia clasts. Dolostone clasts are dark-grey with
279 a sucrosic texture.

280 Plutonic rock clasts are represented by granitoids, that have been observed either altered or
281 fresh, in some cases affected by albitization (pink granitic clasts). Green subvolcanic clasts are a
282 distinctive component in most of the alluvial fans, while volcanic clasts are scarce but easy to

283 distinguish due to their vesicular texture. Metamorphic rock clasts are mainly quartzites
284 (commonly green-coloured), and some scattered hornfelsic schists and tourmaline-bearing
285 schists.

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287 4.3 Petrofacies

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289 The analysis of the deltaic and alluvial sandy systems identifies four main petrofacies, according
290 to characteristic and significant compositional variations. The assignment of each petrofacies
291 takes into account vertical and lateral compositional variations, and highlights the relevance of
292 extrabasinal grains which provide valuable information on source areas.

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294 4.3.1 Hybrid clast-dominated petrofacies

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296 The main feature of this petrofacies (Fig. 7A) is the high content of hybrid sandstone/siltstone
297 rock fragments (>10%). Hybrid rock fragments are considered to be those that contain both
298 extrabasinal and intrabasinal carbonate components, in similar proportions. Hybrid sandstone
299 rock fragments are usually accompanied by limestone rock fragments, which are commonly the
300 second most important component in this petrofacies, and by significant amounts of marine
301 bioclasts. This petrofacies is also characterised by a low content of siliciclastic components
302 (metamorphic and sandstone rock fragments).

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304 4.3.2 Carbonate extrabasinal enriched petrofacies

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306 Carbonate grains are the most dominant rock fragment (Fig. 7B) in this petrofacies (>45%).
307 Mudstone and wackestone rock fragments widely occur among the carbonatic grains, while
308 grainstone, packstone and dolostone rock fragments are also widespread. Hybrid sandstone

309 rock fragments can also occur, but are subordinate (<15%) to the carbonate ones. As in the
310 “Hybrid clast-dominated” petrofacies, the siliciclastic content is very low. Intrabasinal grains are
311 mainly reworked caliche nodules.

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313 4.3.3 Siliciclastic dominant petrofacies

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315 This petrofacies is not well represented although distinctive in the study area. Siliciclastic
316 components are the most dominant grain type (Fig. 7C), always with less than 30% of carbonatic
317 grains and less than 5% of hybrid sandstone rock fragments. Shales, schists and quartzites are
318 always present in this petrofacies, together with significant amounts of quartz grains, as well as
319 radiolarite rock fragments and quartz-rich sandstone rock fragments. Other subordinate
320 sandstone/siltstone rock fragments that usually appear are those with mica and opaques.
321 Feldspars occur as orthoclase, microcline and plagioclase, with a Plagioclase/K-feldspar ratio of
322 <1.

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324 4.3.4 Mixed lithic and carbonate petrofacies

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326 The “Mixed lithic and carbonatic” petrofacies is characterised by 15-40% carbonate grains (Fig.
327 7D), hybrid sandstone rock fragments (up to 30 %) and higher proportions of lithic grains (25-
328 35%, excluding hybrid sandstone fragments) when compared with the “Hybrid clast-dominated”
329 and “Carbonatic extrabasinal enriched” petrofacies. Non carbonatic grains are mainly
330 represented by quartz, K-feldspar, shales and schists and occasional radiolarite rock fragments.
331 Most of the carbonatic grains are extrabasinal, but intrabasinal grains can also be found in this
332 petrofacies.

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334 4.4 Modal sandstone composition and clast point counting

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336 Sandstone detrital modes of the analysed systems have been plotted using ternary diagrams, in
337 order to classify and illustrate compositional trends and potential shifts in the source areas. A
338 first-order compositional classification (Figs. 8A, 9A, 10A, 11A) has been applied according to
339 Zuffa (1980), which represents the relative content on “Non-carbonate extrabasinal” (NCE),
340 “Carbonate extrabasinal” (CE) and “Carbonate intrabasinal” (CI) components, and distinguishes
341 between litharenites, calcilithites and hybrid arenites. The Quartz-Feldspar-Lithics (Q-F-L)
342 diagram is used as second-order classification ternary diagram (Figs. 8B, 9B, 10B, 11B) (according
343 to Dickinson et al., 1983), while Lithic metamorphic-Lithic volcanic-Lithic sedimentary (Lm-Lv-Ls)
344 is used as third-order ternary diagram (Fig. 12A). A fourth-order ternary diagram discriminates
345 among the described petrofacies comparing hybrid sandstone fragments (Hybrid Snd), feldspar
346 and lithic fragments, excluding hybrid sandstone fragments (F+L) and CE (Figs. 12B, 13). Using
347 these ternary diagrams, we present a description of each of the analysed stratigraphic sections,
348 ordered according to the relative age of the alluvial fans.

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350 4.4.1 Santa Orosia section

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352 This section (Figs. 3, 8) starts with the deltaic sandstones of the Belsué-Atarés Formation
353 (samples JY19 to JY22; Fig. 8), which are constituted by 550 m-thick, thickening and coarsening-
354 up cycles, interpreted as mouth-bar deposits (Puigdefàbregas, 1975) alternated with marls,
355 occasionally with abundant bioclastic content. These delta sandstones are characterised by a
356 similar proportion of CE and NCE grains, with some presence of bioclastic content in the
357 transgressive facies, giving a mean composition of $NCE_{48}CE_{50}Cl_2$. According to these proportions,
358 samples of the Belsué-Atarés Formation can be classified as calcilithites (Fig. 8A) in the sense of
359 Zuffa (1980). In terms of siliciclastic components, the mean composition is $Q_{70}F_6L_{24}$. CE grains
360 mainly consist of biomicritic mudstone fragments and detrital dolomite grains (Roigé et al.,

361 2016). The lithic population is represented by metamorphic rock fragments as phyllites as well
362 as siliciclastic sandstone and siltstone rock fragments. Due to the high content of CE, samples of
363 the Belsué-Atarés Formation belong to the “Carbonate extrabasinal enriched” petrofacies.

364 Overlying these delta deposits there is a succession of channelised conglomerates (490 m thick)
365 alternated with yellow-to-grey claystones represent the Santa Orosia fan (samples JY23 to JY35,
366 JY38 and JY39; Fig. 8). This fan records a major change in the type of petrofacies due to
367 appearance of hybrid sandstone fragments. These fragments increase up to 40% towards the
368 top of the unit. The second most common component are limestone rock fragments (30-50%),
369 whilst plutonic, subvolcanic and sandstone rock fragments are subordinate. The clast population
370 of conglomerate beds is also dominated by hybrid sandstone clasts (40-80%) that increase in
371 proportion upwards, thus displaying a similar trend as recorded in sandy fraction (Fig. 8C-F).
372 Limestone clasts (10-30%) decrease upwards and appear mainly as fossiliferous grey limestones
373 (Fig. 8H-I) or as silicified limestones with bedded chert. Some scattered pebbles of metamorphic-
374 rich breccias, green dolerites (ophites) (Fig. 8G) and granitic clasts have also been found. Most
375 of the samples are litharenites, with a mean of $NCE_{52}CE_{46}Cl_2$ and $Q_{33}F_7L_{60}$ (Fig. 8A, B). According
376 to these compositional features, all the samples can be assigned to “Hybrid clast-dominated”
377 petrofacies.

378 The uppermost conglomerate beds of this section belong to the Canciás alluvial fan (samples
379 JY36 and JY37; Fig. 8), which records a significant decrease in the hybrid sandstone rock
380 fragments and an increase of the carbonatic extrabasinal components (Roigé et al., 2016). Both
381 sandstone and pebble counts display this trend, being clearer in the sandy fraction, where CE
382 grains reach 55 to 70% (Fig. 8A-F). Therefore the “Carbonatic extrabasinal enriched” petrofacies
383 dominate this upper part of the section.

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385 4.4.2 – Canciás section

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387 The Canciás section (Figs. 3, 9) also starts with the transitional deposits of the Belsué-Atarés
388 Formation (850 m thick), which are represented by an alternation of sandy mouth-bar deposits
389 and bioclastic marls (samples CANC1 to CANC5; Fig. 9). Most of the samples present a
390 predominance of carbonate extrabasinal grains (Fig. 9A) that allow them to be classified as
391 calcilithites (mean of $NCE_{44}CE_{54}Cl_2$ and $Q_{30}F_3L_{67}$). Carbonate extrabasinal grains are mudstone,
392 bioclastic grainstone/packstone limestone fragments and minor proportions of dolostone rock
393 fragments, while intrabasinal carbonatic components are very low. Lithic grains consist on
394 sandstone (up to 5%), hybrid sandstone (5-12%) and low-grade metamorphic rock fragments
395 (<4%). This association of grains allows definition of a “Carbonate extrabasinal enriched”
396 petrofacies (CANC1, CANC3 to CANC5). Nonetheless a distinctive petrographic signature is also
397 recorded in one sample (CANC2), that is characterized by an increase of non-carbonate
398 extrabasinal grains (up to 70%), with single quartz grains, feldspars (orthoclase, plagioclase and
399 microcline) and lithic grains (up to 30%). Metamorphic grains (shales and schists) are more
400 common than sandstone/siltstone fragments, and hybrid sandstone grains are very low (<2.5%).
401 According to these components and proportions, sample CANC2 can be included in the
402 “Siliciclastic dominant” petrofacies.

403 These transitional deposits change progressively upwards to alluvial-fluvial deposits (1800 m
404 thick) constituted by channelized sandstone bodies passing laterally to red-coloured paleosoils.
405 The succession terminates with thick massive conglomerates (up to 50 m) of the Canciás fan
406 (samples CANC 6-19; Fig. 9). These alluvial deposits are quite similar to those of the Santa Orosia
407 fan, where hybrid sandstone and siltstone rock fragments increase upwards (Fig. 9A, B) reaching
408 45% of the total framework grains (means of $NCE_{48}CE_{51}Cl_1$ and $Q_{33}F_1L_{66}$). However, this trend is
409 halted in the upper part of the section, where limestone fragments represent up to 78% of the
410 framework grains, while hybrid sandstone fragments gradually decrease. Limestone fragments
411 include bioclastic limestones (nummulites, alveolines, phytonellids), mudstone and dolostone
412 fragments. Metamorphic grains also occur along the section, with schist fragments that are the

413 most common non-sedimentary grain type, followed by plutonic and subvolcanic rock
414 fragments. According to the results, the mid-lower part of the Canciás fan shows “Hybrid clasts
415 dominant” petrofacies (CANC6 to CANC17), that evolves upwards to “Carbonate extrabasinal
416 rich” petrofacies (CANC18 and CANC19). Clast populations also display this trend (Fig. 9C, D),
417 reaching up to 60% of limestone pebbles, which are dominantly grey mudstone (sometimes with
418 nodular and some scarce bedded chert) and fossiliferous limestones (e.g., packstone with
419 orbitolina). Unaltered granitic pebbles also occur (Fig. 9E), together with limestone-breccias (Fig.
420 9F, G), volcanic pebbles and quartzite pebbles.

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422 4.4.3 Abenilla-Sabiñánigo area

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424 The Abenilla and Sabiñánigo area (Fig. 2) was sampled to help trace the compositional
425 associations of the Santa Orosia, Canciás and Peña Oroel sections.

426 The transitional deposits of the Belsué-Atarés Formation in the Abenilla section (Fig. 2) exhibit a
427 dominance of hybrid sandstone and siltstone rock fragments. The overlying conglomeratic facies
428 show a composition similar to the older deltaic deposits, dominated by high amounts of hybrid
429 sandstone rock fragments (up to 30%). Bioclastic limestones are the most represented among
430 the carbonatic grains, while some silicified limestones also occur. Feldspar content is low (1%)
431 and lithic fragments like metamorphic (schists and shales) and volcanic rock fragments reach 2%
432 and 3% respectively. Means for this section are $NCE_{52}CE_{48}Cl_0$ and $Q_{25}F_1L_{74}$.

433 Further west, in the Sabiñánigo section, the Belsué-Atarés Formation (Fig. 2) shows an increase
434 in hybrid sandstone rock fragments from base to top, while siliciclastic sandstone and siltstone
435 grains decrease. The conglomeratic beds (Campodarbe Group) that lie above these deltaic
436 deposits show increased hybrid sandstone grains to a maximum of around 35%. Limestone
437 fragments are very similar to those found in the Abenilla section, with silicified limestone
438 fragments also represented in all the samples. Some of the alluvial fan conglomerates show

439 significant amounts of marine bioclasts (up to 10%) like nummulites, bryozoa, red algae and
440 bivalves. With regard to the clast population, hybrid sandstone clasts dominate (63%) while grey
441 limestones are the second most represented lithology (32%). Limestone with bedded chert
442 clasts appear also widespread, while black dolostone and green subvolcanic clasts are scarce
443 (<1%). Mean values are $NCE_{58}CE_{39}Cl_3$ and $Q_{26}F_2L_{72}$. According to these compositional features, all
444 the samples can be included in the “Hybrid clast-dominated” petrofacies.

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446 4.4.4 Peña Oroel section

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448 As in the Santa Orosia and Canciás sections, the Peña Oroel section (Figs. 3, 10) starts with the
449 deltaic deposits of the Belsué-Atarés Formation (samples JJ1 to JJ8; Fig. 10). The lower part of
450 this section is dominated by 800 m-thick mouth-bar sandstones punctuated by coral buildups
451 (1.5 m thick), which change upwards to 110 m-thick channelized sandstones and red bioturbated
452 siltstones, interpreted as delta plain deposits (Puigdefàbregas, 1975). Most samples of this
453 formation show a predominance of the non-carbonatic extrabasinal grains (Fig. 10A) over the
454 carbonatic extrabasinal grains (mean values are $NCE_{61}CE_{28}Cl_{11}$ and $Q_{44}F_3L_{53}$). Intrabasinal
455 carbonate grains are quite common, reaching up to 17% of the total framework grains, where
456 foraminifera (nummulitids and miliolids), red algae and bivalves are the most represented
457 bioclast type. Carbonatic extrabasinal grains (13-40%) are mainly mudstone and bioclastic
458 limestone fragments. Silicified rock fragments, most likely silicified limestones, are quite
459 abundant, reaching close to 8%. Quartz monocrystalline grains are dominant over
460 polycrystalline, and show an increasing upwards trend. Other siliciclastic grains like feldspars
461 (Plagioclase/K-feldspar <1) and metamorphic fragments appear in low percentages, mainly in
462 the lower part of the section (Fig. 10B). Hybrid sandstone/siltstone rock fragments (up to 38%)
463 decrease towards the upper part, reaching close to 10%. This decreasing trend can also be
464 observed in the proportion of limestone fragments, while siliciclastic grains, as quartz and

465 metamorphic fragments, increase to the top of the formation (up to 60%). According to these
466 results, the lower part can be assigned to “Hybrid clast-dominated” petrofacies (JJ1, JJ3, JJ5,
467 JJ7B, JJ7S), while in the upper part some samples can be classified as “Mixed lithic and
468 carbonatic” petrofacies (samples JJ6 and JJ8).

469 Overlying the Belsué-Atarés Formation, alluvial fan deposits constitute the thickest part of the
470 section (1300 m) formed by massive and structureless conglomeratic beds alternating with
471 highly bioturbated sandstone bodies (samples JJ9 to JJ25; Fig. 10). Sandstone composition
472 displays a change by a decrease in the non-sedimentary lithic fragments and quartz grains, and
473 an increase of the hybrid sandstone rock fragments (up to 70%) until the top of the Peña Oroel
474 fan (means of NCE₇₄CE₂₃Cl₃ and Q₁₆F₁L₈₃). Carbonate extrabasinal grains are limestone fragments
475 (10-40%), and some marine bioclastic grains (foraminifera, algae, bivalves). Conglomeratic beds
476 show a very monotonous clast composition (Fig. 10C-G) made up by dominant hybrid sandstone
477 clasts (80-90%), limestone and silicified limestone clasts (mainly with bedded chert, Fig. 10H)
478 and some scattered white quartz pebbles. Highlighting the absence of any plutonic or
479 metamorphic clasts, the only type of non-sedimentary lithology that has been found in the
480 conglomeratic beds is a characteristic volcanic clast with amygdaloidal texture (Fig. 10I). This
481 composition assemblage corresponds to the “Hybrid clast-dominated” petrofacies (JJ9 to JJ25)
482 which dominates along all the Peña Oroel alluvial fan, being the system with the highest content
483 of hybrid sandstone rock fragments.

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485 4.4.5 San Juan de la Peña section

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487 The first samples of the San Juan de la Peña section (Figs. 3, 11) belong to the Campodarbe
488 Group (samples SP17, SP21 and SP9), which is represented by a relatively thick (1150 m)
489 succession of fluvial deposits formed by the alternation of yellow siltstones and isolated
490 sandstone channels. Non carbonate extrabasinal grains (70-90%) dominate over the carbonate

491 extrabasinal ones (<30%), and intrabasinal components are lacking (means of $NCE_{80}CE_{20}Cl_0$ and
492 $Q_{47}F_2L_{51}$) (Fig. 11A, B). Mono- and polycrystalline quartz grains reach proportions of 25%, while
493 feldspars are low represented (<3%), with a Plagioclase/K-feldspar ratio of <1. Among the lithic
494 grains, metamorphic rock fragments prevail (up to 20%) and appear as phyllites, schists and
495 quartzites, while siliciclastic sandstone fragments are the second most represented lithic grains.
496 Some characteristic lithic fragments of sandstone and siltstone rock fragments with
497 ferrous cements also appear, together with lower amounts of radiolarite, subvolcanic
498 dolerites and silicified rock fragments. Carbonate extrabasinal grains are mainly mudstone rock
499 fragments while grainstone and other bioclastic rich fragments are scarce. According to these
500 compositional features, samples can be classified as "Siliciclastic dominant" petrofacies.
501 Close to the occurrence of the first conglomeratic beds related to the San Juan de la Peña fan
502 (sample SP1 in Fig. 11), some fluvial deposits of the Campodarbe Group already show a
503 compositional change (sample SP20). This change is evidenced by the appearance of large
504 amounts of sandstone/siltstone hybrid rock fragments and by a decrease of the quartz and
505 metamorphic grains (Fig. 11A, B). Mean values are $NCE_{51}CE_{47}Cl_2$ and $Q_{24}F_1L_{75}$. A characteristic
506 feature of all the fluvial-alluvial sediments of the San Juan de la Peña fan is the significant
507 amounts of marine bioclastic grains (up to 6%) such as resedimented benthic foraminifera, red
508 algae, bivalves or bryozoans (Fig. 6E). The San Juan de la Peña fan is characterised by an
509 alternation of 1250 m-thick sandstone and conglomerate beds grading into massive (90 m),
510 structureless conglomerates. These alluvial deposits display an increasing trend of the hybrid
511 sandstone fragments towards the top of the unit that can be also identified in the pebble
512 fraction of the conglomeratic beds (Fig. 11C-F). However, the upper part of the section (SP14,
513 SP15) show a slight increase of lithic components when compared to the Peña Oroel fan. Clast
514 composition is ruled by the mentioned hybrid sandstone clasts (increasing upwards from 65%
515 to 85%) and limestone clasts (some of them silicified, with bedded chert), but some other
516 lithologies have been identified, such as clasts of granites, hornfelsic schists, green subvolcanic

517 dolerites, quartzites and some conglomerate and metamorphic-rich breccia clasts (<1%) (Fig.
518 11G-I). As evidenced by the large amounts of hybrid sandstone fragments, the San Juan de la
519 Peña fan samples can be assigned to the “Hybrid clast-dominated” petrofacies (samples SP1-
520 SP8), although the slightly increase in lithic components recorded in the uppermost part of the
521 section means that samples SP15 and SP14 (Fig. 11) can be attributed to the “Mixed lithic and
522 carbonatic” petrofacies.

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524 4.4.6 Sandstone composition trends

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526 According to the results presented above, similar compositional trends are identified in each of
527 the analysed sections. In order to compare the evolution of detrital modes from deltaic to
528 alluvial environments, third order (Lm-Lv-Ls) to fourth order (H.Snd-F+L-CE) ternary diagrams
529 were created (Fig. 12). For lithic grains (Lm-Lv-Ls), deltaic deposits from the Santa Orosia and
530 Canciás sections, together with the lower fluvial deposits of San Juan de la Peña section, show
531 high concentrations of lithic metamorphic grains. In contrast, all the alluvial fans are ruled by
532 lithic sedimentary grains (Fig. 12A). This trend can also be identified in the fourth order diagrams
533 (H.Snd-F+L-CE). In each of the analysed sections, the higher concentrations of hybrid sandstone
534 fragments are recorded in the alluvial conglomerates, while deltaic and fluvial deposits are
535 richer in extrabasinal carbonates and/or siliciclastic rock fragments (metamorphics and
536 feldspars) (Fig. 12B).

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538 5. DISCUSSION

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540 To unravel the provenance of the sedimentary systems that constitute the infill of the South
541 Pyrenean basin is a challenging task due to the few distinctive rocks to constrain a restricted
542 source area. For this reason, the association of grain provenance with petrofacies is here used

543 to elucidate the nature and location of the most likely source areas and relate these to the
544 tectonic evolution of the west-central Pyrenean thrust belt.

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546 5.1 Detrital provenance: identification of source rock types

547 5.1.1 Provenance of sand grain types

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549 Siliciclastic grains such quartz or feldspar can be sourced from a wide variety of rocks as they are
550 contained in many rocks of the Paleozoic basement (Axial Zone), and also in the Mesozoic and
551 Tertiary detrital rocks of the southern Pyrenees. Nonetheless a few characteristic features can
552 help recognising the provenance of these grains. Well-rounded quartz is usually attributed to
553 recycling of previous sandy systems (i.e., Fontana et al., 1989) or to long distance transport and
554 intense weathering conditions. Few of these grains show inherited quartz overgrowths that
555 could be associated with recycling of Paleozoic (Carboniferous or Permian formations),
556 Cretaceous formations (Marboré Sandstone) or Eocene sandstones (Pardina Formation). Quartz
557 with evaporitic inclusions (halite and anhydrite) are widespread in most of the analyzed samples
558 and can be linked to erosion of the Triassic Keuper evaporite facies (Marfil, 1970).

559 Feldspar grains like orthoclase, microcline or plagioclase are attributed to granitoid and
560 metamorphic rock sources from the Paleozoic basement and also from Triassic dolerites
561 (ophites). Erosion of the Paleozoic basement can be identified by the occurrence of
562 metamorphic rock fragments, like schists, shales and quartzites, and plutonic fragments like
563 granitoids. Other lithic grains like quartzarenite fragments can be linked to erosion of
564 Carboniferous formations or the Permo-Triassic red beds, which are abundant in the Axial Zone.
565 Subvolcanic rock fragments can be associated to the contribution of Triassic dolerites that crop
566 out in the southern Pyrenees and also in the North Pyrenean Zone (i.e., Bedous unit and
567 Chaînons Béarnais; Fig. 1B). Basic volcanic rock fragments could also be sourced from the
568 Permian volcanic basins of the Axial Zone or from the basaltic rocks that crop out within the

569 Cenomanian-Turonian flysch of the North Pyrenean Zone. Hybrid sandstone/siltstone rock
570 fragments are attributed to recycling of the Eocene flysch basin (Hecho Group) and of deltaic
571 sediments of the South Pyrenean basin. Those grains dominate in most of the analysed samples,
572 and evidence the high degree of recycling of the turbidites from the former foreland basin of
573 the Pyrenees. The low quartz content in the Jaca basin is a compositional feature that evidences
574 the fact that recycling does not imply an enrichment in mechanically and chemically stable grains
575 (Zuffa, 1987; Di Giulio et al., 2003; Garzanti et al., 2013).

576 Terrigenous carbonate grains point to significant contributions from Mesozoic-Tertiary
577 carbonate sources, without evident supply from Paleozoic carbonates (e.g., Devonian
578 limestones). Carbonate fragments containing nummulitids or alveolinids are attributed to
579 erosion of the Paleocene-Eocene platform carbonates or carbonate megaturbidites, and those
580 containing *phitonellid* tests are linked to contributions from Turonian limestones (southern
581 Pyrenees). Dolostone or dolomitized fragments are interpreted as supplied from the Paleocene
582 formations presumably, while dolostones with sucrosic texture can be easily linked with erosion
583 of the Jurassic dolostones cropping out in the southern Pyrenees or in the North-Pyrenean Zone.
584 Bioclastic grains such as nummulitids, miliolids, bivalves and red algae that occur in samples
585 from terrestrial deposits, appear as single grains and with a high degree of preservation. These
586 features suggest Eocene marls of the deltaic formations or turbidite formations as the most
587 likely source areas for these bioclastic grains.

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589 5.1.2 Provenance of clasts in conglomerates

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591 Coupling sand with clast provenance allows for a more accurate correlation with the potential
592 sources for the alluvial fans. Compositional trends identified in the sandy fraction are very similar
593 to those identified in the clast population. In all the sections, the variation of the most
594 represented grain lithologies (i.e., hybrid sandstone and limestone) are displayed uniformly in

595 both sand and clast populations (Figs. 8-11). Large amounts of hybrid sandstone clasts are
596 identified in all the conglomeratic bodies, and can be attributed to erosion of the Hecho Group,
597 presently exposed in the northern part of the Jaca basin (Roigé et al., 2016).

598 As for the sandy fraction, limestone clasts containing bioclasts like numulitids or alveolinids are
599 interpreted as derived from the Paleocene-Eocene formations, present in the southern
600 Pyrenees. The interbedded megaturbidite beds within the Hecho Group that include large
601 limestone clasts of various sizes (Soler and Puigdefàbregas, 1970; Rupke, 1976; Labaume et al.,
602 1987) may represent an additional carbonate source for the alluvial fans. Limestone clasts with
603 chert nodules could derive from the Eocene time equivalents of the Alveolina Limestone in the
604 southern Axial Zone, or also from the Santonian Limestones that are part of the cover materials
605 of the Axial Zone in the west-central Pyrenees. A distinctive variety of clasts is the
606 limestone/calcarenite clasts with dark bedded chert (Figs. 10H, 11H) that are widely found in all
607 the alluvial fans. As mentioned above, there are many limestone formations that contain chert
608 nodules in the southern Pyrenees, but bedded chert is never reported. The formation that could
609 provide these kind of clasts may be the Coniacian flysch of the North Pyrenean Zone (Casteras
610 et al., 1970), which is described as a calcareous flysch with black bedded chert. In addition, the
611 planktonic foraminifera observed in some of these clasts suggest a Cenomanian-Turonian age.

612 Black dolostone also provide a distinctive type of clast due to its dark colour and poor
613 cementation. This kind of facies is characteristic of the Jurassic of the North Pyrenean Zone (e.g.,
614 Chaînons Béarnais; Fig. 1).

615 With regard to siliciclastic clasts, sandstone pebbles could be sourced from Mesozoic (mostly
616 Marboré Sandstone) or Paleozoic (Carboniferous or Permian sandstones) formations.

617 Characteristic green quartzite clasts could be attributed to erosion of the quartzites of the
618 “Green Formation” (Lith, 1965) reported in the Paleozoic basement of the entire Axial Zone.

619 Metamorphic clast-rich breccia pebbles are very similar to the well-known Ibarrodoia breccia
620 (late Cretaceous), a formation that crops out in the hanging-wall of the Lakora thrust (Teixell,

621 1996, and references therein) (Fig. 1), and is, therefore, indicative also of supply from the North
622 Pyrenean Zone.

623 Granitic clasts and metamorphics like schists and hornfelsic schists indicate supply from the
624 Paleozoic basement. Green subvolcanic ophite clasts are indicative of erosion of the Triassic
625 dolerites than could be derived either from the North Pyrenean Zone or the southern Pyrenees.
626 Volcanic clasts with amygdaloid texture can be linked with the alkaline volcanic rocks (late Albian
627 to Turonian) of the North Pyrenean Zone that consist mainly on teschenites and picrites
628 (Azambre, 1967).

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630 5.2 Petrofacies distribution and provenance of the study formations

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632 According to the grain provenance presented above, here we discuss the provenance of each
633 sedimentary units. In the Santa Orosia section, the Belsué-Atarés delta is represented by
634 “Carbonatic enriched” petrofacies (Fig. 13). The absence of significant amounts of hybrid
635 sandstone fragments, and the abundance of detrital dolomite grains together with paleocurrent
636 directions (Remacha and Picart, 1991) indicate supply from eastern source areas (Roigé et al.,
637 2016). The proximal time equivalent system of these deltaic sediments could be the lower part
638 of the fluvial Escanilla Formation of the Ainsa basin, according to its Priabonian age and its
639 dominant carbonate composition (Mochales et al., 2012; Michael, 2013). In contrast, the
640 overlying Santa Orosia fan has a northern provenance, according to paleocurrents and facies
641 architecture (Puigdefàbregas, 1975). From a petrologic point of view, this shift in source area is
642 evidenced by an increased amount of hybrid sandstone rock fragments, which derive from
643 erosion of the Hecho Group turbidites that were on top of the uplifting Axial Zone at this time
644 (Labaume et al., 2016; Roigé et al., 2016). This new source area implied a major paleogeographic
645 reorganization during Priabonian times related to the development of the basement-involved
646 Gavarnie thrust, whose activity has been set to the late Eocene-early Oligocene (Teixell, 1996;

647 Jolivet et al., 2007; Labaume et al., 2016). In contrast, the lateral equivalents of the Canciás
648 alluvial fan, located in the top of the section, record a decrease of recycling from the turbiditic
649 basin and an increase in carbonatic components that are related to erosion from the
650 Paleocene/Eocene and Mesozoic formations (see below).

651 In the Canciás section, the transitional deposits of the Belsué-Atarés Formation are mainly
652 represented by “Carbonatic extrabasinal enriched” petrofacies (Fig. 13) with some hybrid
653 sandstone rock fragments, that are interpreted as eastern supply with initial contributions from
654 the erosion of the turbiditic basin to the north (Gavarnie thrust zone). This eastern signal is
655 replaced upwards by the predominant “Hybrid clast-dominated” petrofacies, widely
656 represented in the bulk of the conglomerate beds of the Canciás fan (Fig. 13). The content of
657 hybrid sandstone fragments from the Hecho Group increases upwards until the upper massive
658 conglomeratic unit that shows a sharp change, evidenced by the high increase of Paleogene and
659 Mesozoic limestone grains. This abrupt shift is interpreted as the erosion of source areas that
660 were uncovered or slightly covered by the Hecho Group turbidites, that could be located in the
661 the Peña Montañesa or Cotiella thrusts, to the north of the Ainsa basin.

662 The Abenilla and Sabiñánigo sections (Fig. 13), located between the Santa Orosia and Peña Oroel
663 sections, are entirely represented by the “Hybrid clast-dominated” petrofacies and can be
664 correlated to be the distal equivalents of the Santa Orosia and Canciás alluvial fans. The lack of
665 an eastern source signal in the Belsué-Atarés delta in the Abenilla and Sabiñánigo areas
666 indicates that there was no connection between these deltaic deposits and the deltaic ones from
667 the Santa Orosia and Canciás sections at this time. We propose that, in this part of the basin, the
668 delta sediments were fed by the prograding Santa Orosia fan, which evolved to the west to
669 transitional shallow marine deposits (Figs. 3, 12), probably controlled by the growth of the Yebra
670 de Basa anticline (Puigdefàbregas, 1975; Oms and Remacha, 1992; Labaume et al., 2016).

671 In the Peña Oroel section, the lower part of the Belsué-Atarés Formation shows a similar
672 composition to the deltaic deposits of the Abenilla and Sabiñánigo areas, which consists of the

673 “Hybrid clast-dominated” petrofacies. Thus, here we also point to the Santa Orosia fan as the
674 proximal feeding system for these deltaic deposits. Nonetheless, the upper part of the Belsué-
675 Atarés Formation shows an increase on the siliciclastic components (feldspars and lithics), thus
676 being classified as “Mixed lithic and carbonatic” petrofacies (Figs. 12, 13). The coexistence of
677 significant amounts of grains sourced from the north (Hecho Group turbidites) and siliciclastic
678 components that could be derived from eastern source areas, indicate mixing of these two
679 different sediment routing systems. Once the deltaic sedimentation is replaced by the first
680 alluvial conglomeratic levels, the “Hybrid clast-dominated” petrofacies prevails throughout the
681 section, which implies a persistent and increased contribution from the Hecho Group turbidites.
682 In the San Juan de la Peña section (Fig. 13), the thick fluvial succession of the Campodarbe Group
683 displays “Siliciclastic dominant” petrofacies, with general paleocurrent directions to the west
684 and northwest (Puigdefàbregas, 1975). Thus, the source area of these fluvial sediments could
685 not be placed in the north, as seen in the Santa Orosia, Canciás and Peña Oroel fans, but must
686 be located to the east, in the the south-central Pyrenees, and funneled through the fluvial-
687 alluvial systems of the Ainsa basin (i.e., upper Escanilla Formation). These east-derived fluvial
688 sediments are replaced by the conglomerates of the San Juan de la Peña fan, which represent a
689 provenance shift, where the northern source area prevails, as evidenced by the presence of
690 “Hybrid clast-dominated” petrofacies.

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692 5.3 Regional implications

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694 In the Jaca basin, the first record of sediment with north-derived paleocurrents is found in the
695 last turbiditic channel of the Hecho Group, known as the Rapitán system (uppermost Lutetian;
696 Remacha et al., 1995; Roigé et al., 2016). Since then, the later deltaic systems (Sabiñánigo and
697 Belsué-Atarés Formations) show an interplay between the eastern and the northern sources
698 until the establishment of full terrestrial environments (Campodarbe Group, late Eocene-early

699 Oligocene), with predominant northern sources. Nonetheless, the fluvial facies of the lower
700 Campodarbe Group (late Eocene-early Oligocene) in the San Juan de la Peña section evidences
701 that sediment derived from eastern source areas still entered the basin when it became
702 internally drained (Puigdefàbregas, 1975), and while the Santa Orosia and Canciás alluvial fans
703 were already active. Thus, the switch between east-derived and north-derived sediment evolved
704 from east to west progressively through time, consistent with progradation of the systems and
705 with the diachronous uplift and exhumation of the Pyrenees from east to west (Fitzgerald et al.,
706 1999; Jolivet et al., 2007; Metcalf et al., 2009; Bosch et al., 2016; Labaume et al., 2016).

707 All the analysed alluvial fans record the uplift and subsequent recycling of the older Hecho Group
708 turbidites (Fig. 14). The overwhelming presence of turbidite pebbles (Fig. 14A-C) in these alluvial
709 fan systems evidences the continuous and high degree of erosion of the flysch basin whose
710 original extent remains unknown as the northern margin of the basin has been eroded (Soler and
711 Puigdefàbregas, 1970). Subordinate clasts found in all the alluvial fans derived from the North
712 Pyrenean Zone (Fig. 14D-F), imply that the drainage area of all the fans extended at least to this
713 northern zone. This gives new insights on the paleodrainage organisation of the Pyrenees, where
714 at least for the west-central segment, the water divide was located further to the north than at
715 the present day (Fig. 14). This is concordant with Babault et al. (2011) who proposed using a
716 geomorphological approach that the water divide migrated from North to South during the
717 Eocene. Moreover, it implies that the North Pyrenean Zone was uncovered or slightly covered
718 by Hecho Group turbidites, so that erosion could recover deeper rocks (mainly Mesozoic and
719 some Paleozoic). It follows that the North Pyrenean Zone could have been the northern border
720 for the Eocene turbiditic basin, or at least a paleohigh created by the early to mid Eocene Lakora-
721 Eaux Chaudes thrust system, with a thin or absent cover of Hecho Group turbidites. This is in
722 agreement with thermochronological data from the North Pyrenean Zone, which indicate
723 cooling since early the Paleogene (Vacherat et al., 2014; Bosch et al., 2016). According to
724 thermochronology, the Axial Zone in the western Pyrenees was deeply buried until the

725 Oligocene (Jolivet et al., 2007; Meresse, 2010; Bosch et al., 2016; Labaume et al., 2016) and,
726 therefore, could not provide Mesozoic or Paleozoic grains during late Eocene-early Oligocene
727 sedimentation in the Jaca basin, thus supporting the North Pyrenean Zone as the main source
728 for these grains.

729 An important feature shown by all the alluvial fans is an increasing content of recycled turbidite
730 fragments (with the exception on the uppermost part of the Canciás fan). We interpret this
731 increase as the record of the development of a new drainage network on the uplifted foreland
732 basin. Activity of the Gavarnie thrust may have generated tectonic disruption of the antecedent
733 fluvial system, causing incision and expansion of the fluvial systems on the uplifted block
734 (basically formed by the turbidites of the Hecho Group), with the subsequent increase of
735 recycled turbidites through time recorded in each of the fans at the outlets (Santa Orosia, Peña
736 Oroel and San Juan de la Peña fans). As such, the alluvial fans are important as a sensitive
737 recorder not only of tectonics and climate (Bull, 1977; Harvey, 1997; Robinson et al., 2005) but
738 also geomorphic system dynamics and landscape response time.

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740 6. CONCLUSIONS

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742 A detailed petrological analysis coupling sandstone petrography and clast point counting allows
743 us to define the transition from marine to terrestrial environments in the Jaca foreland basin
744 (Eocene-Oligocene) during a stage characterized by the recycling and closure of the marine
745 basin. Four petrofacies have been identified for the deltaic (Belsué-Atarés Formation) and
746 fluvial-alluvial (Campodarbe Group) systems that are: (i) “Hybrid clast-dominated” petrofacies,
747 (ii) “Carbonatic extrabasinal enriched” petrofacies, (iii) “Siliciclastic dominant” petrofacies, and
748 (iv) “Mixed lithic and carbonatic” petrofacies. The “Hybrid clast-dominated” petrofacies is
749 associated with erosion of the Eocene Hecho Group turbidites (earlier foreland basin deposits),

750 located to the north, whilst the “Siliciclastic dominant” petrofacies is indicative of sediment
751 input from eastern sources, in the central Axial Zone.

752 According to our provenance data, the deltaic systems from the Belsué-Atarés Formation show
753 an interplay between the eastern and the northern sources, highly controlled by growing
754 tectonic structures (Yebra de Basa and Atarés anticlines). Since then, the terrestrial deposits of
755 the Campodarbe Group (Santa Orosia, Canciás, Peña Oroel, and San Juan de la Peña fans) display
756 a dominant and protracted northern source area mainly constituted by the previous turbiditic
757 basin, as evidenced by the high amount of turbiditic pebbles, that can be linked with uplift
758 caused by the Gavarnie thrust. Only minor contributions of distal fluvial siliciclastic rich deposits
759 derived from the central Axial Zone have been observed in the western sector of the basin,
760 evidencing a subordinated axially fed system competing with the large north-derived alluvial
761 fans. Thus, in the Jaca basin the switch between east and north-derived sediments evolved
762 progressively from east to west, consistent with the east to west diachronous character of
763 exhumation of the Pyrenees.

764 We report for first time clasts derived from the North Pyrenean Zone in the alluvial fans of the
765 Jaca basin, being the calcareous flysch and volcanics (Cenomanian-Turonian), black dolostones
766 (Jurassic) and metamorphic-clasts rich breccias (late Cretaceous); the diagnostic lithologies of
767 sediment input from this northern belt of the Pyrenees. Thus, we can infer migration of the main
768 water divide which, during the Eocene-Oligocene, was placed farther north than at present.
769 Moreover, we can infer that the margin of the former turbiditic basin (Hecho Group) was located
770 in that position, as the North Pyrenean Zone had to remain largely uncovered in order to provide
771 Mesozoic and Paleozoic lithologies to the fans.

772 The increase of recycled turbidite clasts from base to top observed in each of the alluvial fans
773 can be interpreted as the sedimentary record of development of a new drainage network on the
774 active pro-wedge. This implies an incision and expansion of the fluvial systems through time and

775 gives new insights of the response of the drainage network to the uplift and topographic growth
776 of the west-central Pyrenees.

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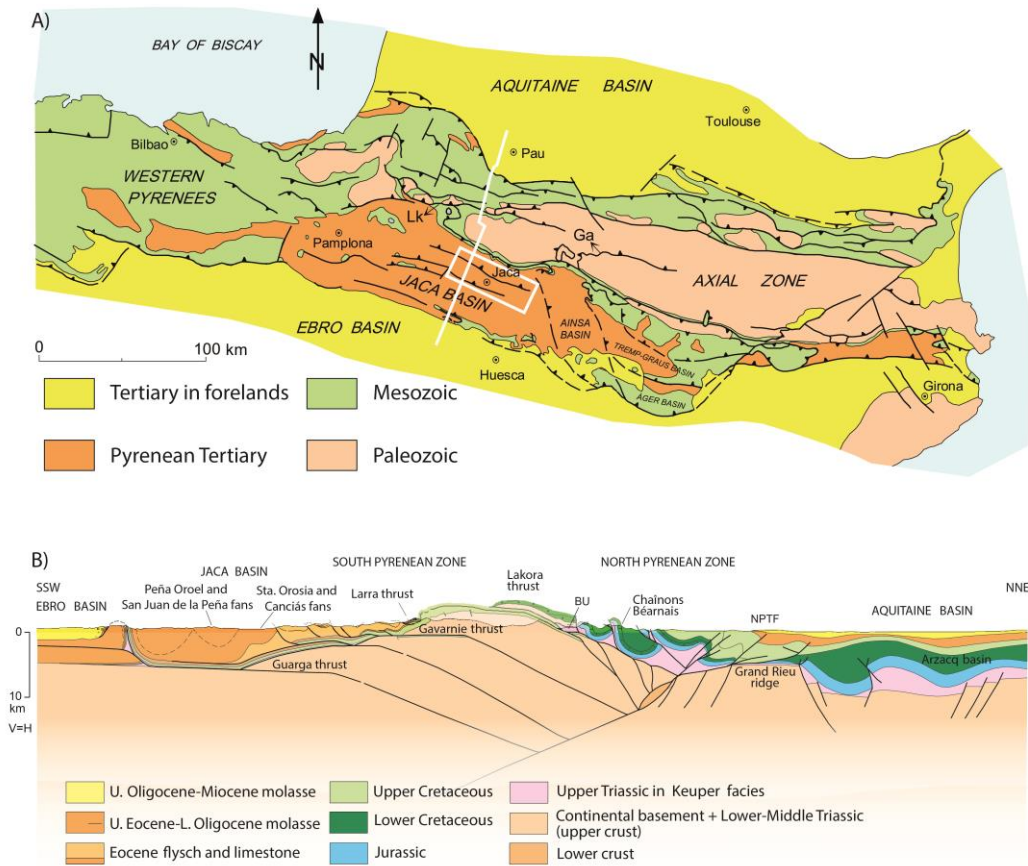
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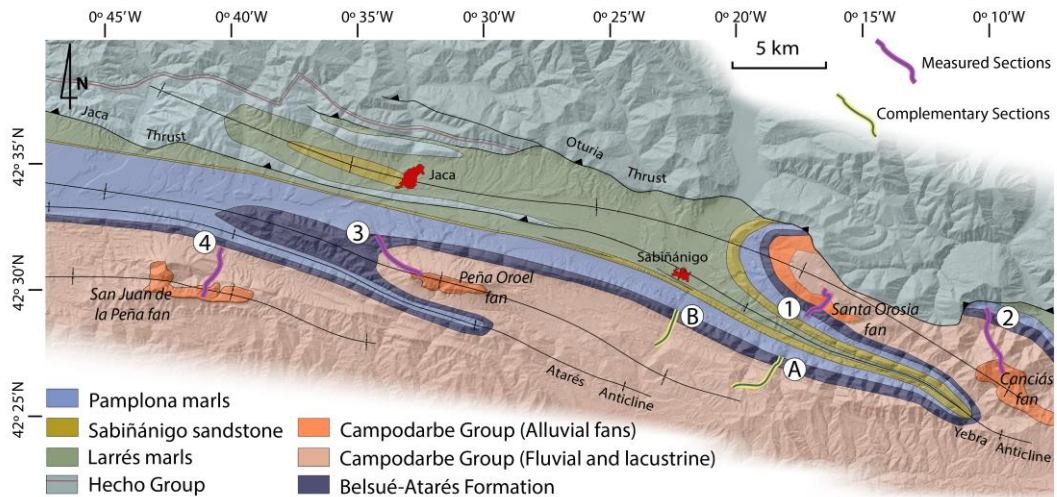
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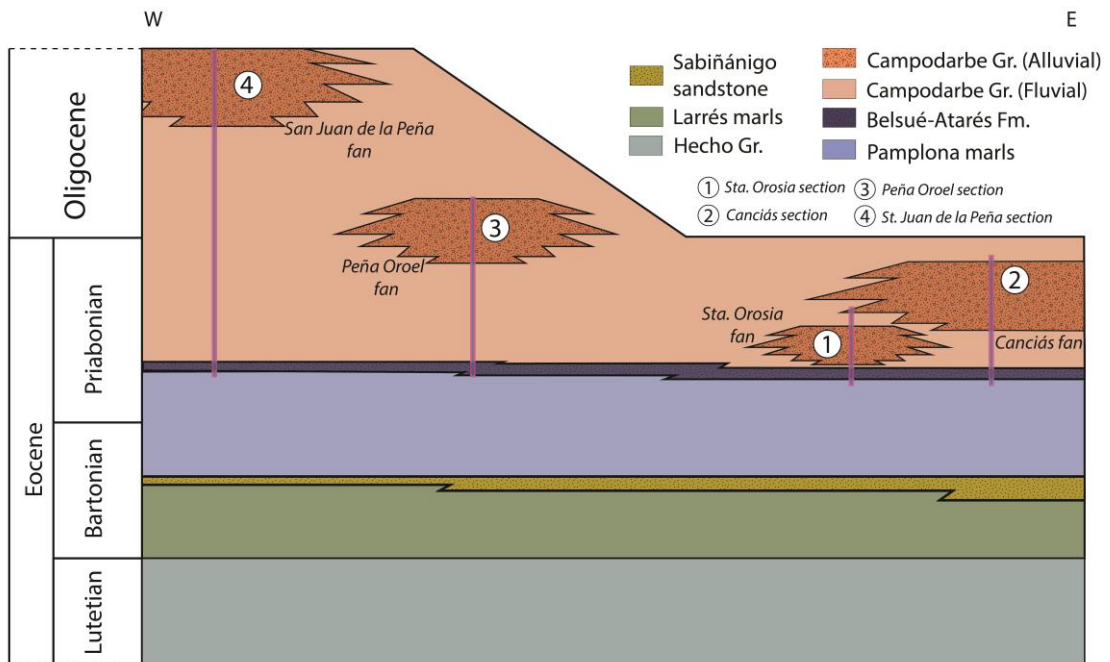
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1024 Figure 1. (A) Simplified geological map of the Pyrenees (redrawn from Teixell, 1996), showing
 1025 the location of the study area (white frame). White line indicates cross-section in Figure 1B. Lk:
 1026 Lakora thrust; Ga: Gavarnie thrust. (B) Crustal cross-section of the west-central Pyrenees
 1027 (simplified from Teixell et al., 2016), showing both the South Pyrenean Zone and the North
 1028 Pyrenean Zone. NPFT: North-Pyrenean Frontal Thrust; BU: Bedous Triassic Unit.



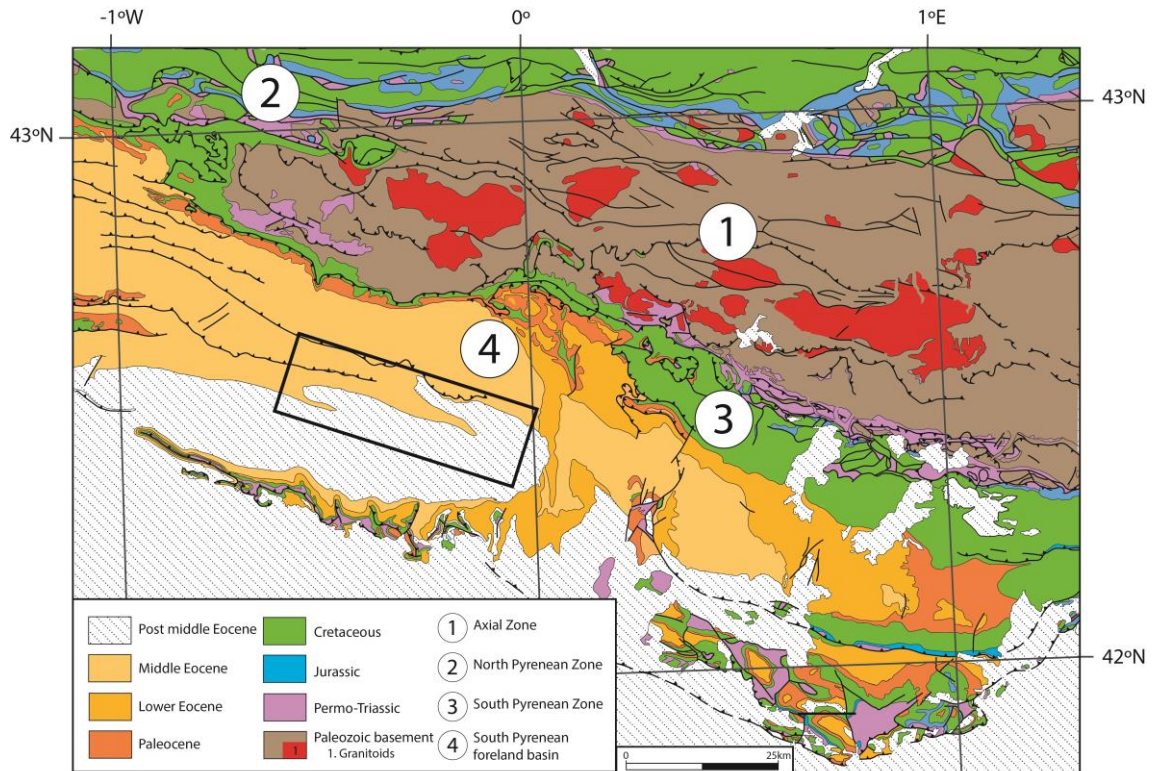
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1030 Figure 2. Geological map of the northern sector of the Jaca basin. Red-blue lines show the
 1031 location of the four measured sections represented in Figures 7-10. Numbers refer to each
 1032 section: (1) Santa Orosia section; (2) Canciás section; (3) Peña Oroel section and (4) San Juan de
 1033 la Peña section. Yellow-grey lines are the location of the non-measured but sampled sections
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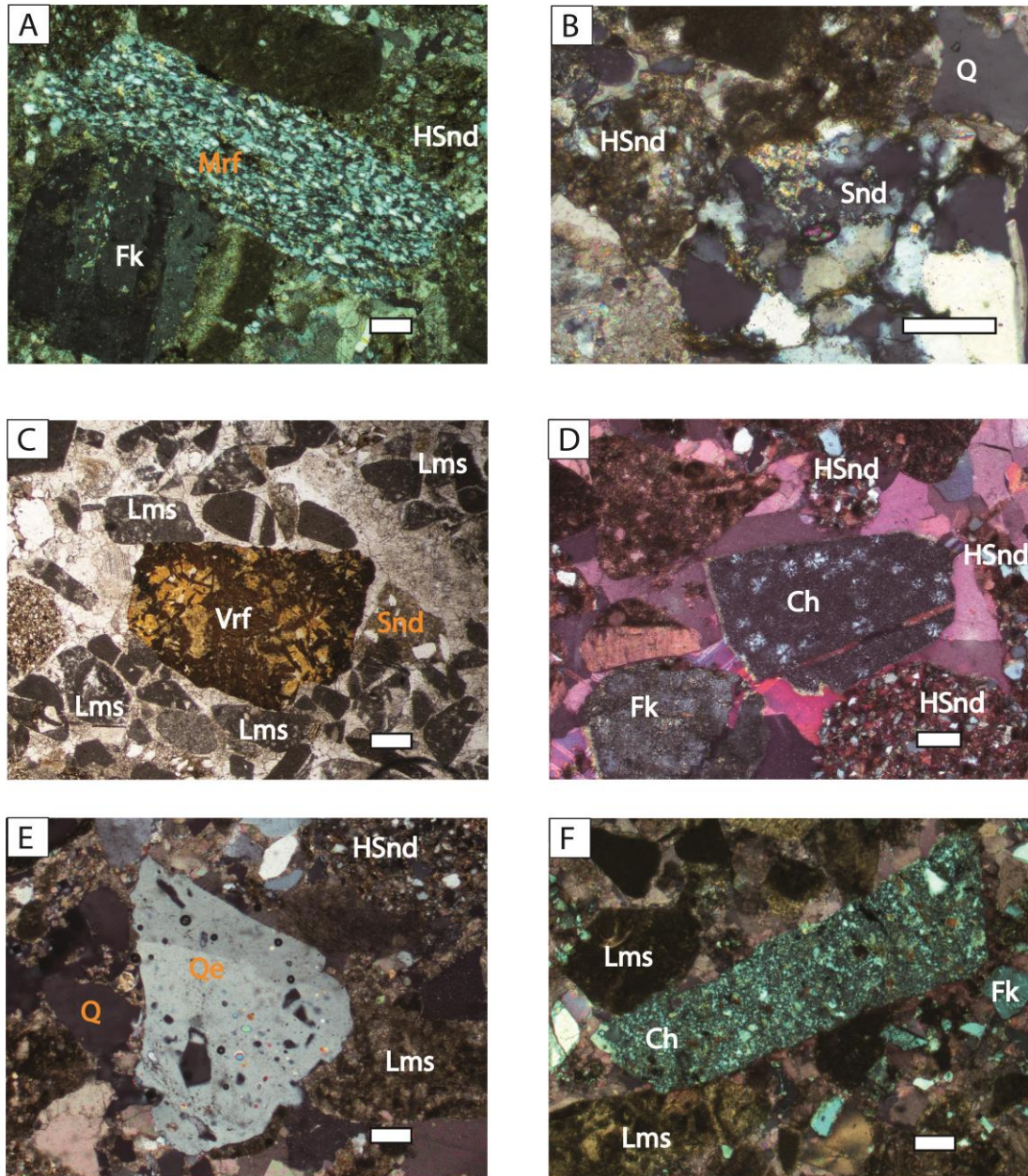
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1036 Figure 3. General stratigraphic cross-section sketch summarizing the relationships of the
 1037 analysed alluvial fans. Stratigraphic ages extracted from Labaume et al. (1985), Hogan and
 1038 Burbank (1996) and Oms et al. (2003). Blue-purple bars indicate the position of the measured
 1039 stratigraphic logs.



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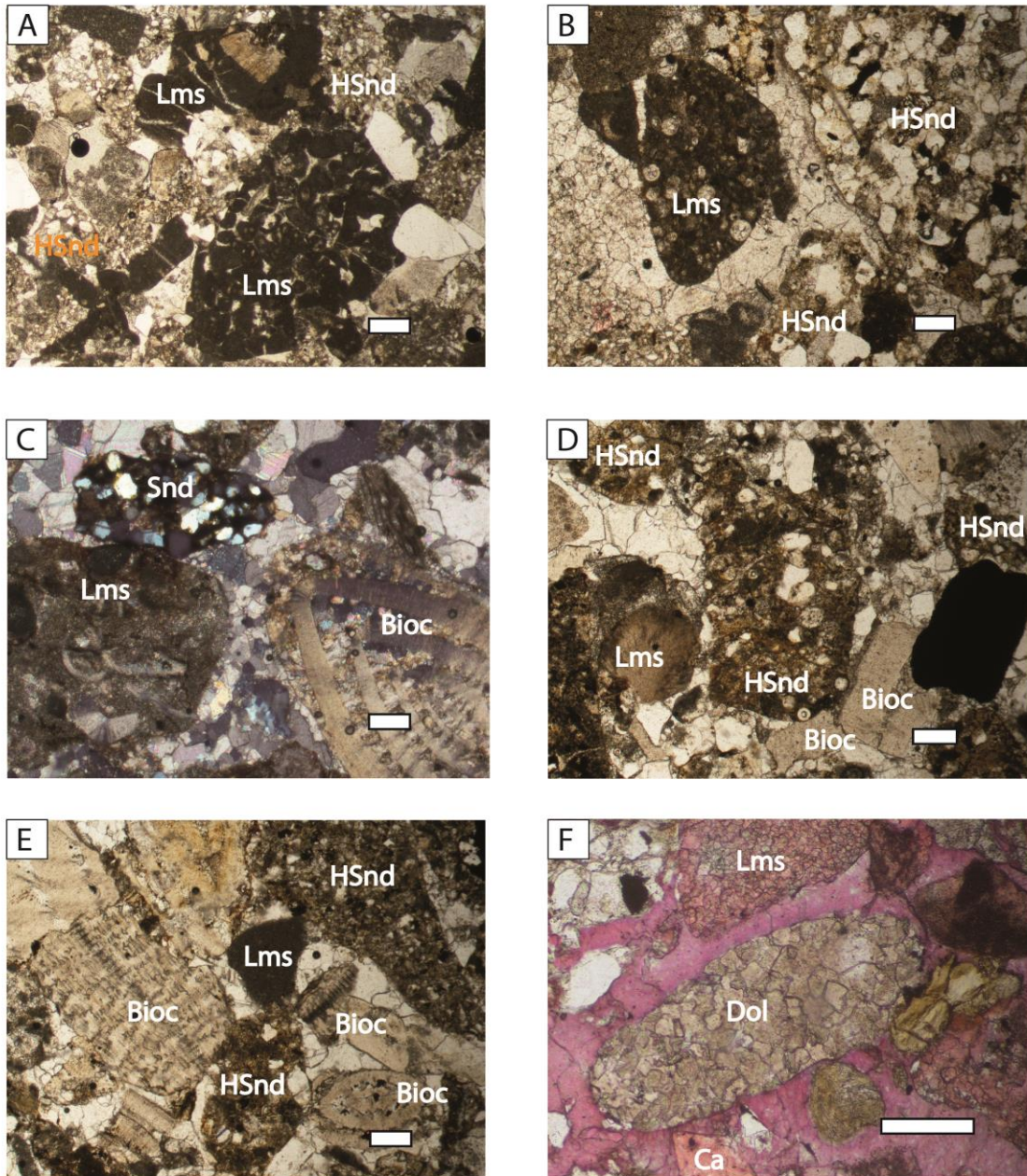
1041 Figure 4. Geological map of the central Pyrenees (modified from a synthesis by Rodríguez-
 1042 Fernández et al., 2015) showing the potential source rock terrains for the late Eocene-Oligocene
 1043 systems of the Jaca basin. Dark frame represents the location of the study area.



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1045 Figure 5. Optical photomicrographs of the main non-carbonate extrabasinal grains. (A) Sample
 1046 of the Belsué-Atarés Formation in the Canciás fan: Schist rock fragment (Mrf), feldspar grain
 1047 partially replaced (Fk) and hybrid sandstone rock fragment (HSnd) (cross-polarized, XPL); (B)
 1048 Sample of the Santa Orosia fan: Hybrid sandstone rock fragment (HSnd), quartz grain (Q) and
 1049 quartzarenite rock fragment (Snd) (XPL); (C) Sample of the Canciás fan: Volcanic rock fragments
 1050 (Vrf), sandstone rock fragment (Snd) and limestone rock fragments (Lms) (plane polarized, PPL);
 1051 (D) Sample of the Santa Orosia fan: Radiolarite rock fragment (Ch), K-feldspar grain (Fk) and

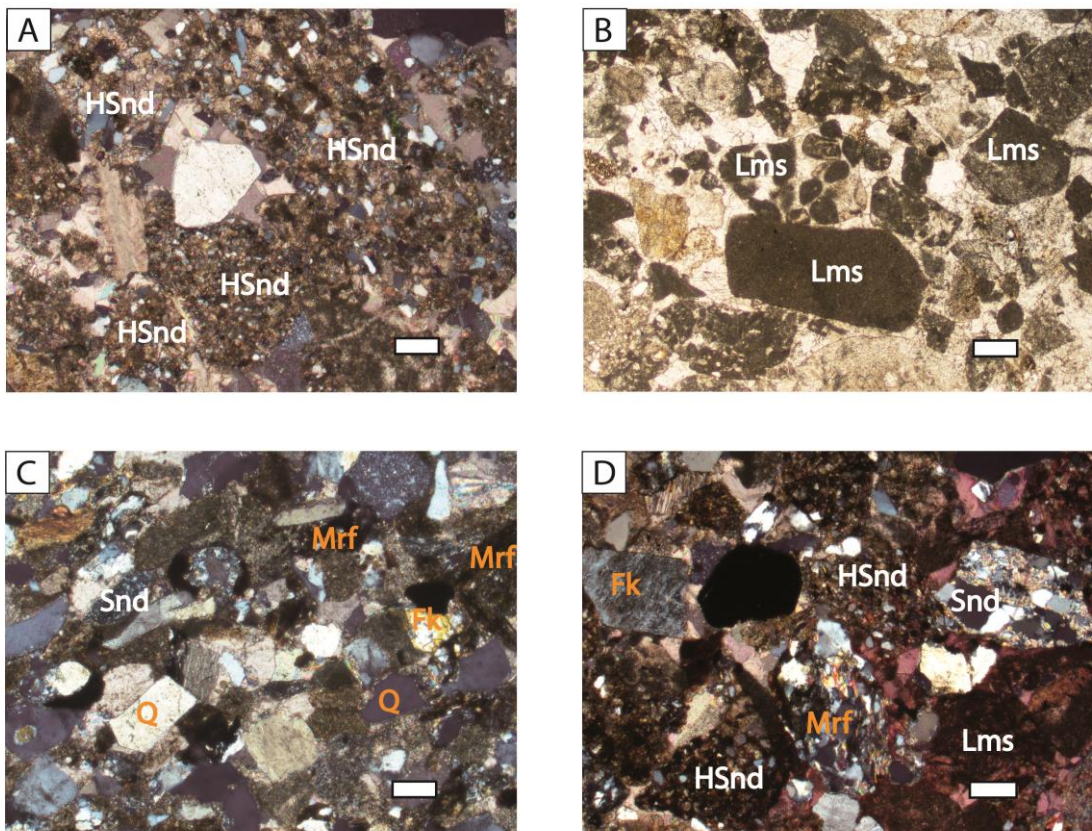
1052 hybrid sandstone rock fragments (HSnd) (XPL); (E) Sample of the Santa Orosia fan: Quartz grain
 1053 (Q), quartz with evaporitic inclusions (Qe), hybrid sandstone rock fragments (HSnd) and
 1054 limestone rock fragments (Lms) (XPL); and (F) Sample of the San Juan de la Peña fan: fan:
 1055 Silicified rock fragment (Ch), feldspar grain (Fk) and limestone rock fragments (Lms) (XPL). The
 1056 white scale bar is 1 mm.



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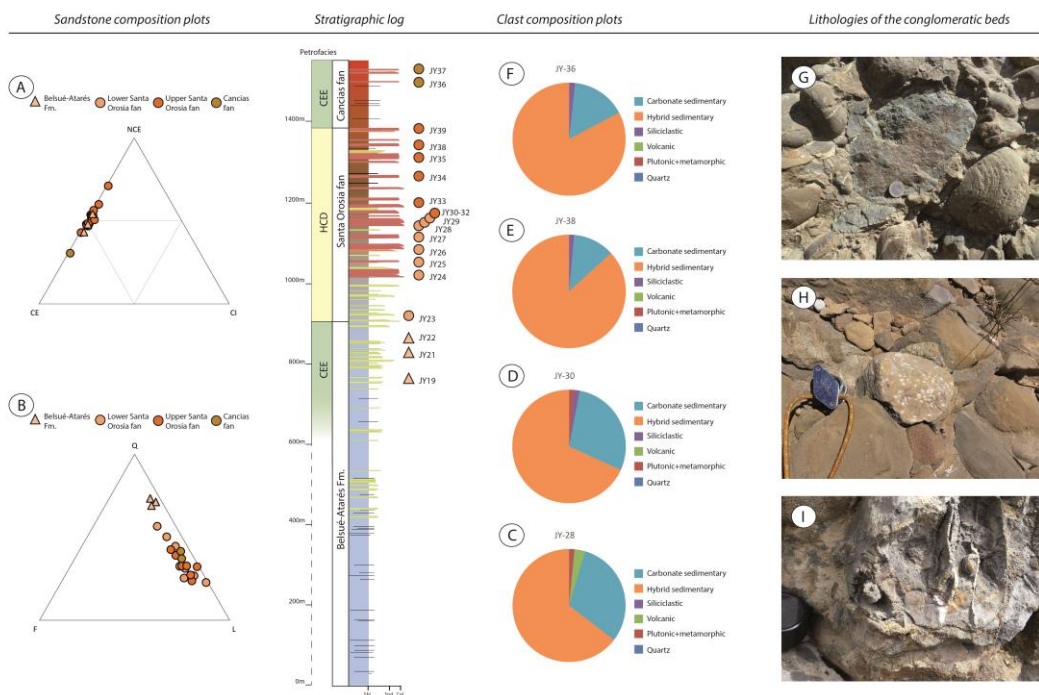
1058 Figure 6. Optical photomicrographs of the main carbonatic extrabasinal grains: (A) Sample of the
 1059 Canciás fan: Micritic and grainstone limestone fragments (Lms), and hybrid sandstone rock

1060 fragments (HSnd) (PPL); (B) Sample of the Canciás fan: Turonian fossiliferous limestone rock
 1061 fragment (Lms) and hybrid sandstone rock fragments (HSnd) (PPL); (C) Sample of the San Juan
 1062 de la Peña fan: fan: Bioclastic limestone rock fragment (Lms), quartzarenite rock fragment (Snd)
 1063 and a recycled nummullites (Bioc) with inherited cement (XPL); (D) Sample of the Peña Oroel
 1064 fan: Hybrid sandstone rock fragments (HSnd), limestone rock fragments (Lms) and recycled
 1065 bioclasts (Bioc) (PPL); (E) Sample of the San Juan de la Peña fan: fan: Hybrid sandstone rock
 1066 fragments (HSnd), limestone rock fragments (Lms) and recycled bioclasts (Bioc) (PPL); and (F)
 1067 Sample of the Santa Orosia fan: Crystalline limestone rock fragment (Lms), mono-crystalline
 1068 calcite (Ca) and dolostone rock fragment with sucrosic texture (Dol) (PPL). The white scale bar is
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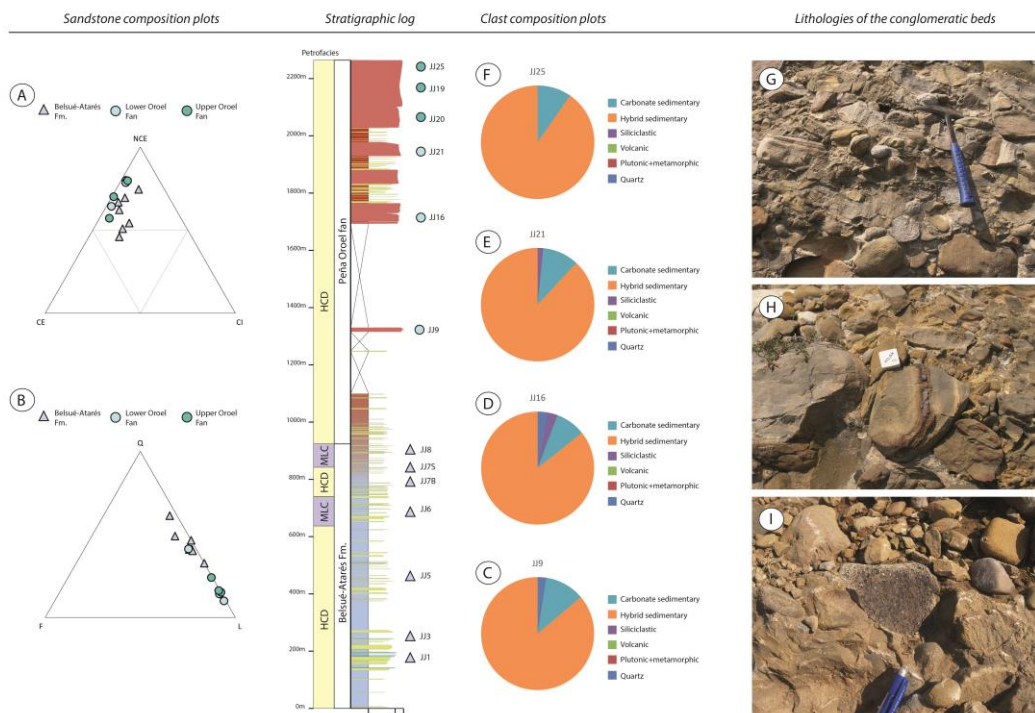
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 1071 Figure 7. Optical photomicrographs of the described petrofacies: (A) General view of “Hybrid
 1072 clast-dominated” petrofacies showing the large amount of hybrid sandstone rock fragments
 1073 (HyS) (XPL); (B) General view of “Carbonate extrabasinal enriched” petrofacies, with abundant

1074 micritic and bioclastic limestone (Lms) fragments and subordinated hybrid sandstone rock
 1075 fragments (PPL); (C) “Siliciclastic dominant” petrofacies characterized by the higher contents of
 1076 quartz (Q), metamorphic rock fragments (Mrf) and feldspar grains (Fk), and by the absence of
 1077 hybrid sandstone rock fragments (XPL); and (D) Appearance of “Mixed lithic and carbonatic”
 1078 petrofacies, showing the coexistence of hybrid sandstone rock fragments (HSnd) with abundant
 1079 carbonatic (Lms) and siliciclastic grains such as schists (Mrf) and feldspar grains (Fk) (XPL). The
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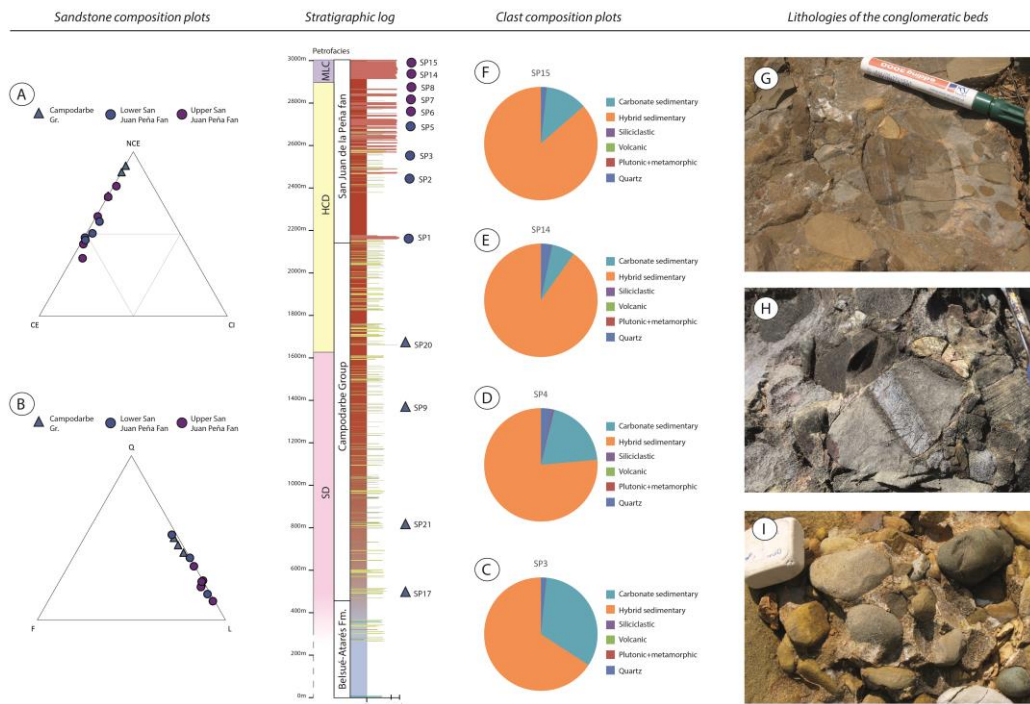
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 1082 Figure 8. Results for the Santa Orosia section (see location in Fig. 3). The stratigraphic log
 1083 (modified from Roigé et al., 2016) displays the stratigraphic position of the analysed samples
 1084 represented in compositional ternary diagrams (A) and (B), and the occurrence of petrofacies
 1085 (CEE, “Carbonate extrabasinal enriched” petrofacies; HCD, “Hybrid clast-dominated”
 1086 petrofacies”). (A) First-order compositional plot (Zuffa, 1980) where NCE, Non-Carbonate
 1087 Extrabasinal grains; CE, Carbonate Extrabasinal; and CI, Carbonate Intrabasinal; (B) QFL
 1088 compositional plot (Dickinson et al., 1983) where Q, Quartz; F, Feldspar; and L, Lithic fragments.

1104 et al., 1983); (C) and (D) compositional diagrams of the main clast lithologies in the Canciás
 1105 alluvial fan, recording the shift from dominance of hybrid sedimentary clasts (CANC 8) to
 1106 dominance of limestone clasts (CANC18); (E) White granitic clast (ophite) surrounded by
 1107 carbonate and hybrid sedimentary clasts, (F) carbonatic breccia clasts (center of the image) and
 1108 a green dolerite (top left of the image); and (G) dominant proportion of the limestone clasts in
 1109 the last conglomeratic levels of the Canciás fan.



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 1111 Figure 10. Results for the Peña Oroel section (see location in Fig. 3). The stratigraphic log shows
 1112 the stratigraphic position of the analysed samples represented in compositional ternary
 1113 diagrams (A) and (B), and the occurrence of petrofacies (MLC, “Mixed lithic and carbonatic”
 1114 petrofacies; HCD, “Hybrid clast-dominated” petrofacies). Clast composition plots (C), (D), (E) and
 1115 (F) are named according the sample name that coincides with the stratigraphic position where
 1116 point-counting was performed. (A) NCE-CE-CI compositional plot; (B) QFL compositional plot
 1117 (Dickinson et al., 1983); from (C) to (F) compositional diagrams of the main clast lithologies in
 1118 the Peña Oroel fan (JJ9-JJ16-JJ21-JJ25), recording the high dominance of hybrid sedimentary

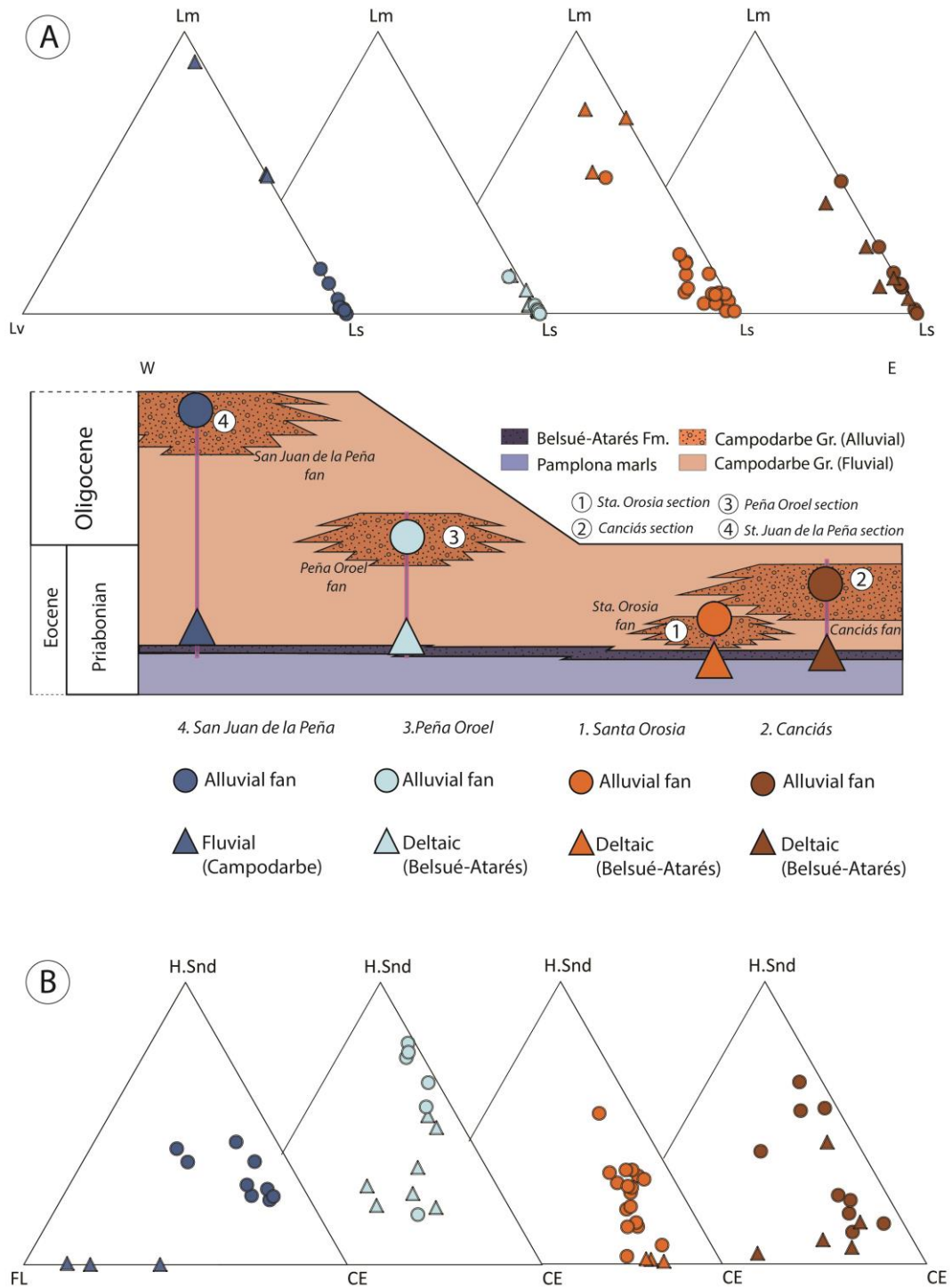
1119 clasts; (G) Dominance of hybrid sedimentary clasts (i.e., all the brownish clasts), (H) in the center
 1120 of the image, a characteristic clast of limestone with black bedded chert; and (I) in the center of
 1121 the image, a volcanic clast with amygdaloidal texture (black spots are black calcite filling
 1122 vesicles).



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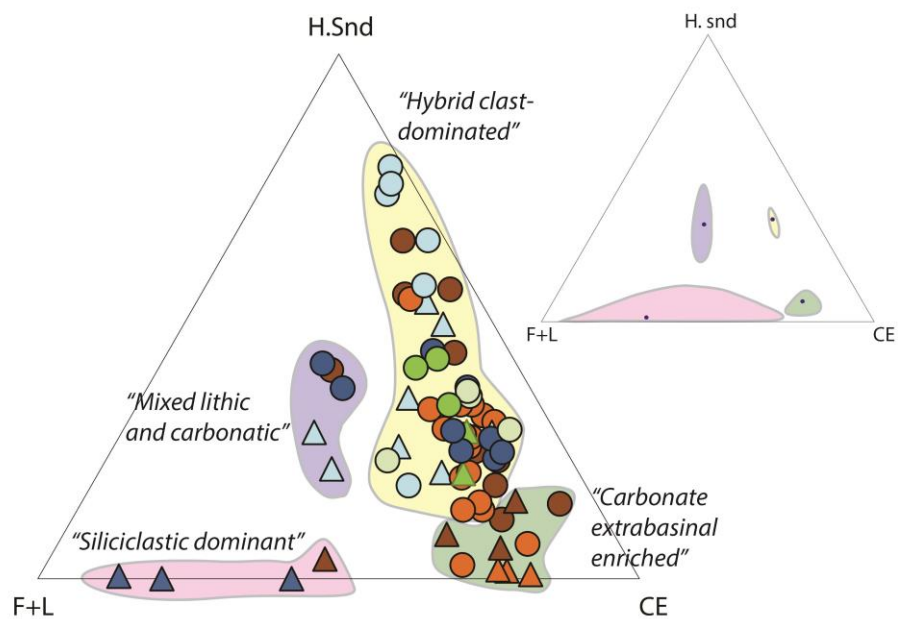
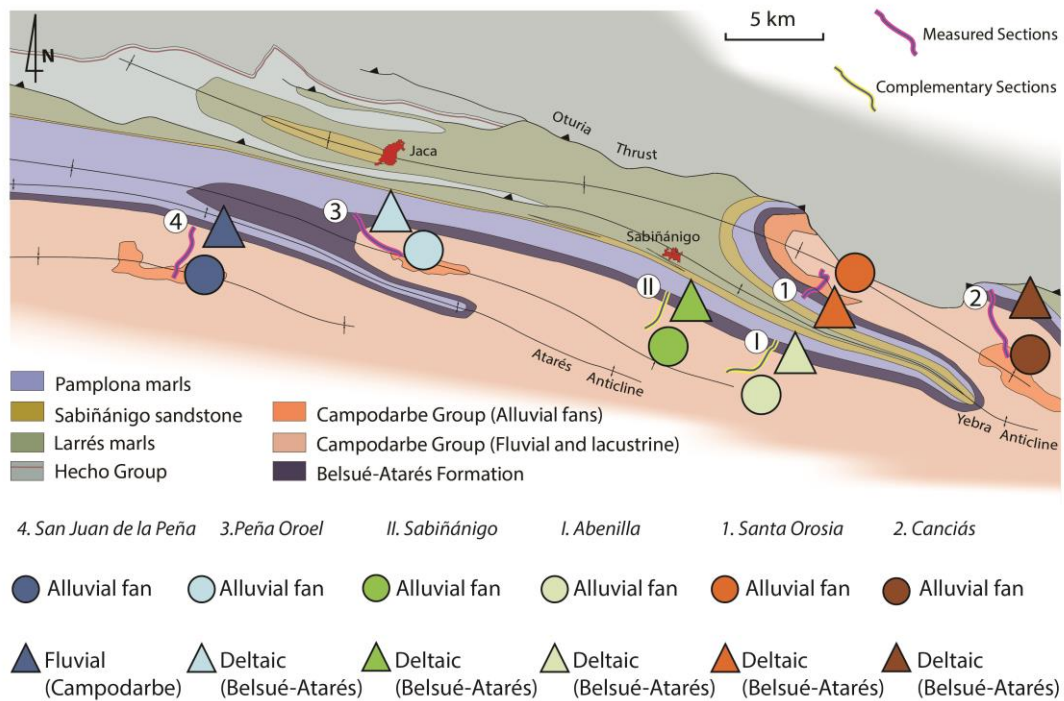
1124 Figure 11. Results for the San Juan de la Peña section (see location in Fig. 3). The stratigraphic
 1125 log shows the stratigraphic position of the analysed samples represented in compositional
 1126 ternary diagrams (A) and (B), and the occurrence of petrofacies (SD, “Siliciclastic dominant”
 1127 petrofacies; MLC, “Mixed lithic and carbonatic” petrofacies; HCD, “Hybrid clast-dominated”
 1128 petrofacies). Clast composition plots (C), (D), (E) and (F) are named according to the sample name
 1129 that coincides with the stratigraphic position where point-counting was performed. (A) NCE-CE-CI
 1130 compositional plot; (B) QFL compositional plot (Dickinson et al., 1983); from (C) to (F)
 1131 compositional diagrams of the main clast lithologies in the Peña Oroel fan (JJ9-JJ16-JJ21-JJ25)
 1132 displaying an increase on the content of hybrid sedimentary clasts towards the top of the San
 1133 Juan de la Peña fan; (G) in the center of the image, a conglomerate clast, that contains sandstone

1134 and limestone fragments (presumably a clast derived from the erosion of an older late Eocene-
 1135 Oligocene conglomeratic level); (H) in the center of the image, a clast of limestone with black
 1136 bedded chert; and (I) in the right side of the image, two green-grey quartzite clasts surrounded
 1137 by limestone and hybrid sedimentary clasts.



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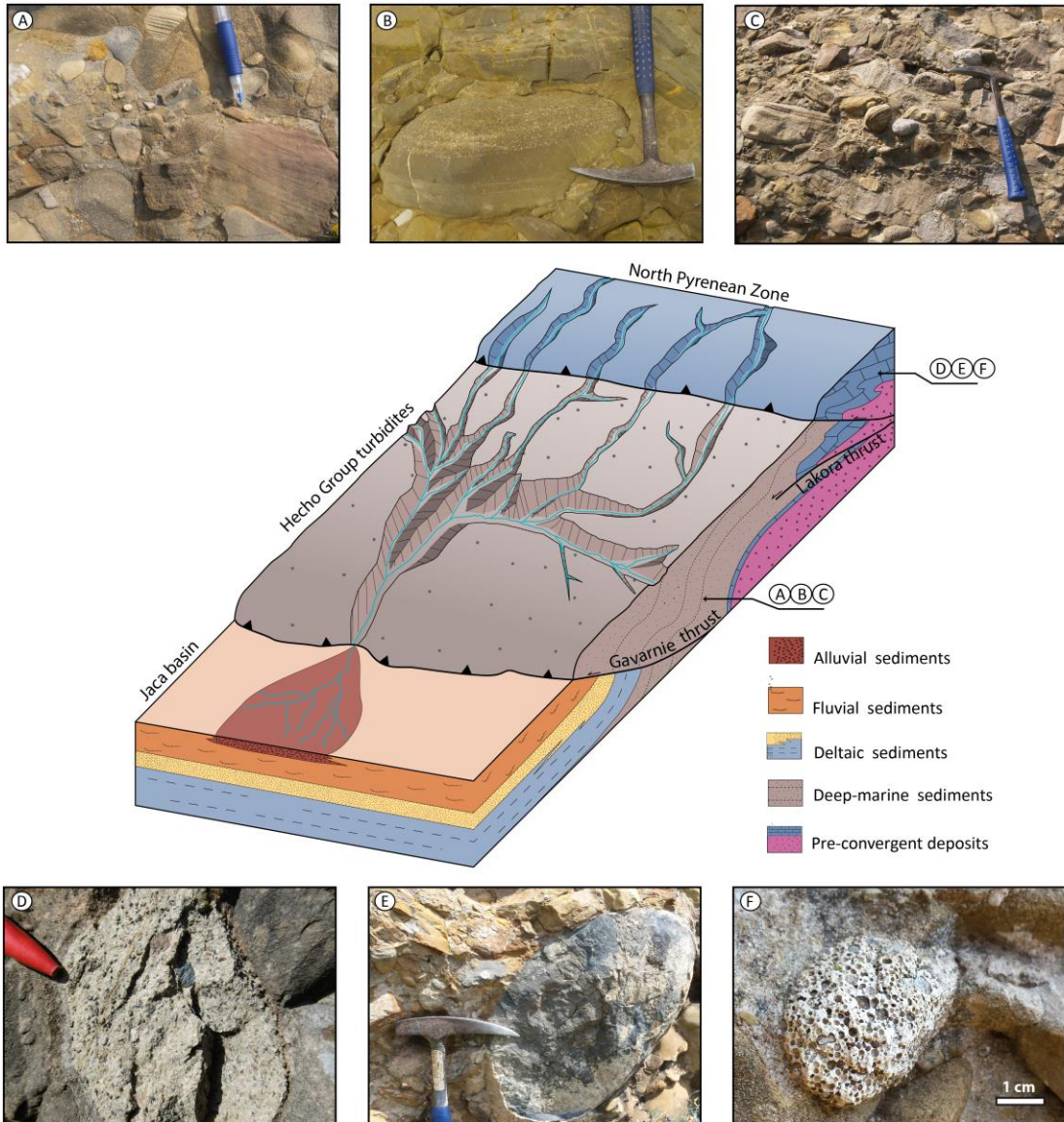
1139 Figure 12. Compositional plots for the Santa Orosia, Canciás, Peña Oroel and San Juan de la Peña
1140 sections. Diagrams are arranged according the relative position of each section in the
1141 chronostratigraphic chart (from Fig. 3). (A) Third order compositional plots where Lm, Lithic
1142 metamorphic grains; Lv, Lithic volcanic grains; and Ls, Lithic sedimentary grains. (B) Fourth order
1143 compositional plots where Hybrid Snd, Hybrid sandstone fragments; FL, Feldspar and Lithic
1144 grains excluding hybrid sandstone fragments; and CE, Carbonate Extrabasinal grains.



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1146 Figure 13. Top: Geological map from Figure 2, with symbols of the sample groups, in order to
 1147 facilitate the interpretation of the ternary diagram located below. Bottom: Compositional plot
 1148 where Hybrid Snd, Hybrid Sandstone fragments; FL, Feldspar and Lithic grains excluding hybrid
 1149 sandstone fragments; and CE, Carbonate Extrabasinal grains. Bottom: Compositional plot

1150 discriminate the four main groups of petrofacies described for all the analysed samples, while
 1151 the small ternary diagram on the right side shows the mean confidence regions (90%) for each
 1152 petrofacies. Yellow-coloured fields correspond to “Hybrid clast-dominated” petrofacies, green-
 1153 coloured fields to “Carbonatic extrabasinal enriched” petrofacies, blue-coloured fields to “Mixed
 1154 lithic and carbonatic” petrofacies and pink coloured fields to “Siliciclastic dominant” petrofacies.



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 1156 Figure 14. Sketch model for the alluvial fans of the Jaca basin, with images of the diagnostic
 1157 clasts identifying the nature of the source area. The model applies to any of the northern
 1158 sourced alluvial fans. A major area of erosion of Hecho Group turbidites results in an increase of

1159 hybrid sandstone fragments in the upper reaches of the alluvial fans. Images (A), (B) and (C) are
1160 from clasts that are attributed to erosion of Hecho Group; and are (A) cross-beddings in hybrid
1161 arenite clasts; (B) graded hybrid fine-sandstone clasts, and (C) brownish and well-laminated
1162 hybrid arenite clasts. Images (D), (E) and (F) are from clasts that are attributed to erosion of the
1163 North Pyrenean Zone, and are (D) Ibarrodo breccia clast; (E) Jurassic black dolostone clast,
1164 and (F) Cretaceous amygdaloidal volcanic clast.

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1166 Supplementary data

1167 Table 1. Sandstone compositional data (point counting analyses).

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1169 Table 2. Clast compositional data (point counting on clasts).

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