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**Iterative outlier identification for robust cosmogenic  $^{26}\text{Al}/^{10}\text{Be}$  burial dating of fluvial terraces: a case study from the Danube River (Vienna Basin, Austria)**

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### 1) Model setup

Table S1: Production rates used for the modelling

Production rate at sample location	Surface	5.5 m depth	11.7 m depth
$^{10}\text{Be}$ spallation[atoms/g <sub>qtz</sub> /y]	4.819	0.005	0.000
$^{10}\text{Be}$ slow muons [atoms/g <sub>qtz</sub> /y]	0.042	0.020	0.009
$^{10}\text{Be}$ fast muons [atoms/g <sub>qtz</sub> /y]	0.039	0.030	0.023
$^{26}\text{Al}$ spallation[atoms/g <sub>qtz</sub> /y]	32.288	0.033	0.000
$^{26}\text{Al}$ slow muons [atoms/g <sub>qtz</sub> /y]	0.475	0.228	0.098
$^{26}\text{Al}$ fast muons [atoms/g <sub>qtz</sub> /y]	0.269	0.208	0.156

## 2) Results of the bootstrapping and Post-burial production test

Table S2. Burial age and denudation rate modelling results using ISO and INV for the two sampled depth levels treated independently. \*: averaged values and standard deviation of the bootstrapped runs.  $R\chi^2$ : reduced  $\chi^2$  values.

		ISO			INV					
		Burial age		$R\chi^2$	Burial age		Sink denudation rate			$R\chi^2$
		[Ma]	[Ma]		[Ma]	[Ma]	[m/Ma]	[m/Ma]	[m/Ma]	
Complete dataset	All samples	2.23	$\pm$ 0.49	3.0	2.23	$\pm$ 0.40	9.7	$\pm$ 1.5	1.8	
	Bootstrap	w/o #10	2.67	$\pm$ 0.71	2.9	2.25	$\pm$ 0.40	9.1	$\pm$ 1.4	2.2
		w/o #11	1.93	$\pm$ 0.51	3.0	1.90	$\pm$ 0.34	12.7	$\pm$ 2.0	2.1
		w/o #12	2.35	$\pm$ 0.54	3.0	2.34	$\pm$ 0.42	9.7	$\pm$ 1.5	2.1
		w/o #13	2.39	$\pm$ 0.55	2.5	2.38	$\pm$ 0.43	9.6	$\pm$ 1.4	1.5
		w/o #15	1.21	$\pm$ 0.35	2.0	1.22	$\pm$ 0.22	12.1	$\pm$ 1.9	1.1
		mean*	2.11	$\pm$ 0.79	2.7	2.02	$\pm$ 0.61	10.7	$\pm$ 2.3	1.2
w/o #15	All samples	1.21	$\pm$ 0.35	2.0	1.22	$\pm$ 0.22	12.1	$\pm$ 1.9	1.1	
	Bootstrap	w/o #10	1.46	$\pm$ 0.44	1.3	1.44	$\pm$ 0.27	7.3	$\pm$ 1.2	0.3
		w/o #11	0.90	$\pm$ 0.36	1.1	0.88	$\pm$ 0.16	32.6	$\pm$ 5.3	0.2
		w/o #12	1.06	$\pm$ 0.41	3.0	1.04	$\pm$ 0.19	13.8	$\pm$ 2.2	2.1
		w/o #13	1.47	$\pm$ 0.53	2.8	1.48	$\pm$ 0.26	10.8	$\pm$ 1.6	1.8
		mean*	1.22	$\pm$ 0.53	2.1	1.21	$\pm$ 0.37	16.1	$\pm$ 11.7	0.6
Complete dataset	All samples	0.78	$\pm$ 0.14	4.0	0.82	$\pm$ 0.15	66.1	$\pm$ 12.4	2.9	
	Bootstrap	w/o #20	0.68	$\pm$ 0.13	3.8	0.72	$\pm$ 0.14	4.1E+5	$\pm$ 7.9E+4	2.7
		w/o #21	0.44	$\pm$ 0.15	2.7	0.58	$\pm$ 0.11	2.9E+8	$\pm$ 5.4E+7	1.8
		w/o #22	0.79	$\pm$ 0.17	4.8	0.83	$\pm$ 0.16	63.15	$\pm$ 12.04	3.8
		w/o #23	0.89	$\pm$ 0.16	3.6	0.92	$\pm$ 0.17	60.86	$\pm$ 11.68	2.7
		w/o #24	1.22	$\pm$ 0.23	2.4	1.27	$\pm$ 0.24	4.68	$\pm$ 0.83	1.3
		w/o #25	0.78	$\pm$ 0.14	4.8	0.82	$\pm$ 0.15	73.17	$\pm$ 13.81	3.8
		mean*	0.80	$\pm$ 0.30	3.6	0.86	$\pm$ 0.29	-	-	2.0
w/o #24	All samples	1.22	$\pm$ 0.23	2.4	1.27	$\pm$ 0.22	4.7	$\pm$ 0.8	1.3	
	Bootstrap	w/o #20	1.20	$\pm$ 0.29	3.1	1.22	$\pm$ 0.21	6.0	$\pm$ 1.0	1.9
		w/o #21	0.85	$\pm$ 0.25	1.8	0.91	$\pm$ 0.16	11.7	$\pm$ 2.1	0.8
		w/o #22	1.28	$\pm$ 0.26	2.9	1.32	$\pm$ 0.23	4.5	$\pm$ 0.8	1.8
		w/o #23	1.28	$\pm$ 0.23	1.8	1.32	$\pm$ 0.24	7.1	$\pm$ 1.3	0.8
		w/o #25	1.42	$\pm$ 0.27	2.2	1.34	$\pm$ 0.23	2.4	$\pm$ 0.4	1.1
		mean*	1.20	$\pm$ 0.34	2.4	1.22	$\pm$ 0.28	6.3	$\pm$ 3.7	0.8

Table S3. Burial age and denudation rate modelling results for the merged dataset using INV on the complete and bootstrapped datasets. \*: averaged values and standard deviation of the bootstrapped runs.  $R\chi^2$ : reduced  $\chi^2$  values.

		INV				
		Burial age		Sink denudation rate		$R\chi^2$
		[Ma]		[m/Ma]		
Complete dataset	All samples	1.13	$\pm$ 0.21	22.3	$\pm$ 4.1	3.4
	w/o #10	1.12	$\pm$ 0.21	23.4	$\pm$ 4.3	3.8
	w/o #11	0.98	$\pm$ 0.18	49.7	$\pm$ 9.2	3.1
	w/o #12	1.13	$\pm$ 0.21	22.4	$\pm$ 4.1	3.8
	w/o #13	1.14	$\pm$ 0.21	22.3	$\pm$ 4.1	3.8
	w/o #15	0.97	$\pm$ 0.18	19.8	$\pm$ 3.7	1.9
	w/o #20	1.11	$\pm$ 0.20	25.3	$\pm$ 4.7	3.6
	w/o #21	1.06	$\pm$ 0.20	25.5	$\pm$ 4.7	3.8
	w/o #22	1.20	$\pm$ 0.22	20.0	$\pm$ 3.7	3.7
	w/o #23	1.20	$\pm$ 0.22	19.2	$\pm$ 3.6	3.0
	w/o #24	1.28	$\pm$ 0.24	14.7	$\pm$ 2.6	2.9
	w/o #25	1.27	$\pm$ 0.23	22.5	$\pm$ 4.1	3.8
	mean*	1.13	$\pm$ 0.23	24.1	$\pm$ 10.2	3.0
w/o #15 and #24	All samples	1.10	$\pm$ 0.20	11.9	$\pm$ 2.2	1.0
	w/o #10	1.21	$\pm$ 0.22	7.1	$\pm$ 1.3	0.8
	w/o #11	1.02	$\pm$ 0.18	17.3	$\pm$ 3.3	1.0
	w/o #12	1.09	$\pm$ 0.20	11.6	$\pm$ 2.2	1.1
	w/o #13	1.10	$\pm$ 0.20	11.9	$\pm$ 2.2	1.2
	w/o #20	1.09	$\pm$ 0.19	12.9	$\pm$ 2.4	1.1
	w/o #21	0.89	$\pm$ 0.16	17.0	$\pm$ 3.2	0.7
	w/o #22	1.14	$\pm$ 0.20	11.4	$\pm$ 2.1	1.1
	w/o #23	1.22	$\pm$ 0.22	11.3	$\pm$ 2.1	0.7
	w/o #25	1.10	$\pm$ 0.20	11.4	$\pm$ 2.0	1.1
	mean*	1.10	$\pm$ 0.22	12.4	$\pm$ 3.9	0.8

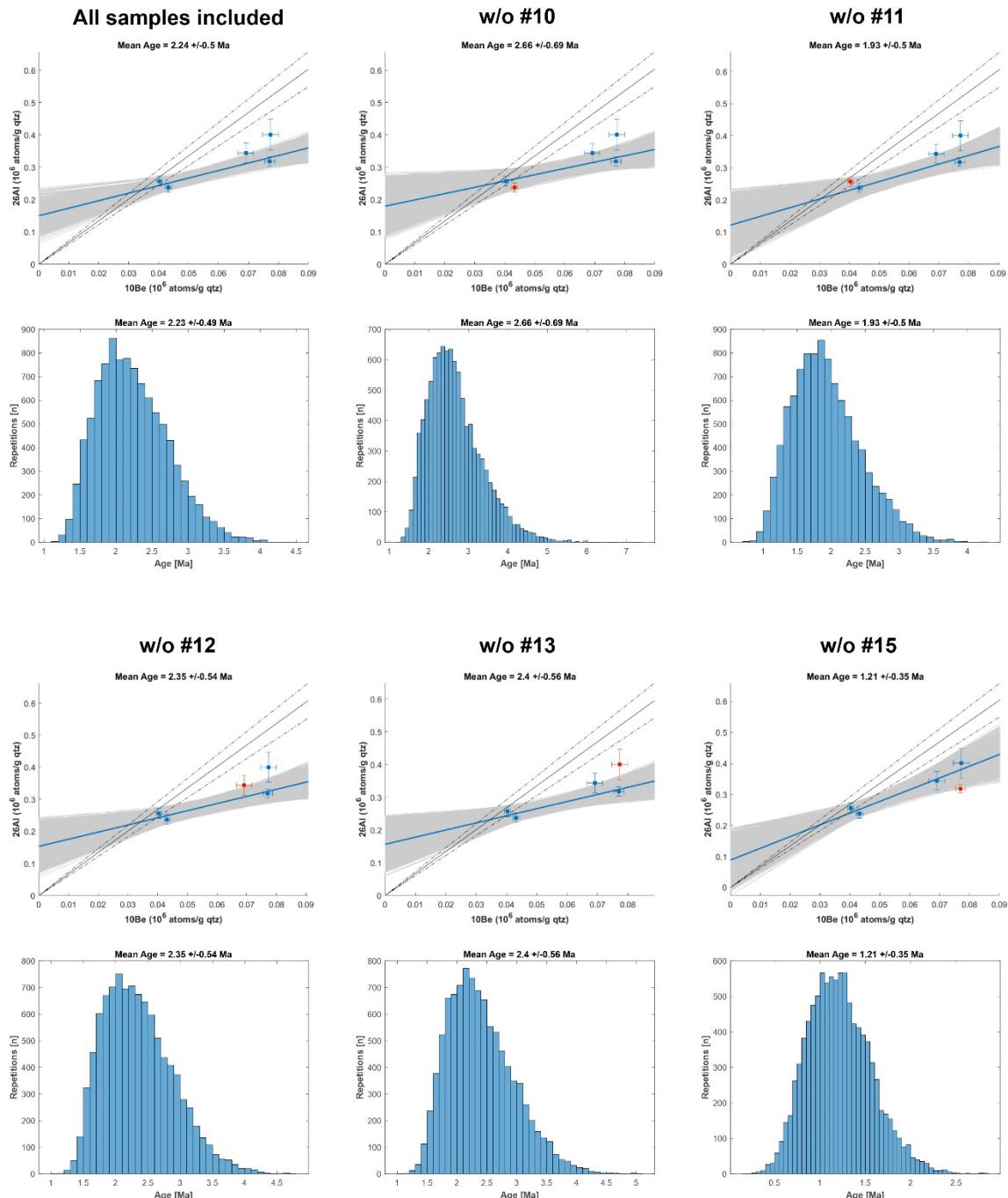


Fig. S1. Isochron plots and histograms for the 5.5 m level.

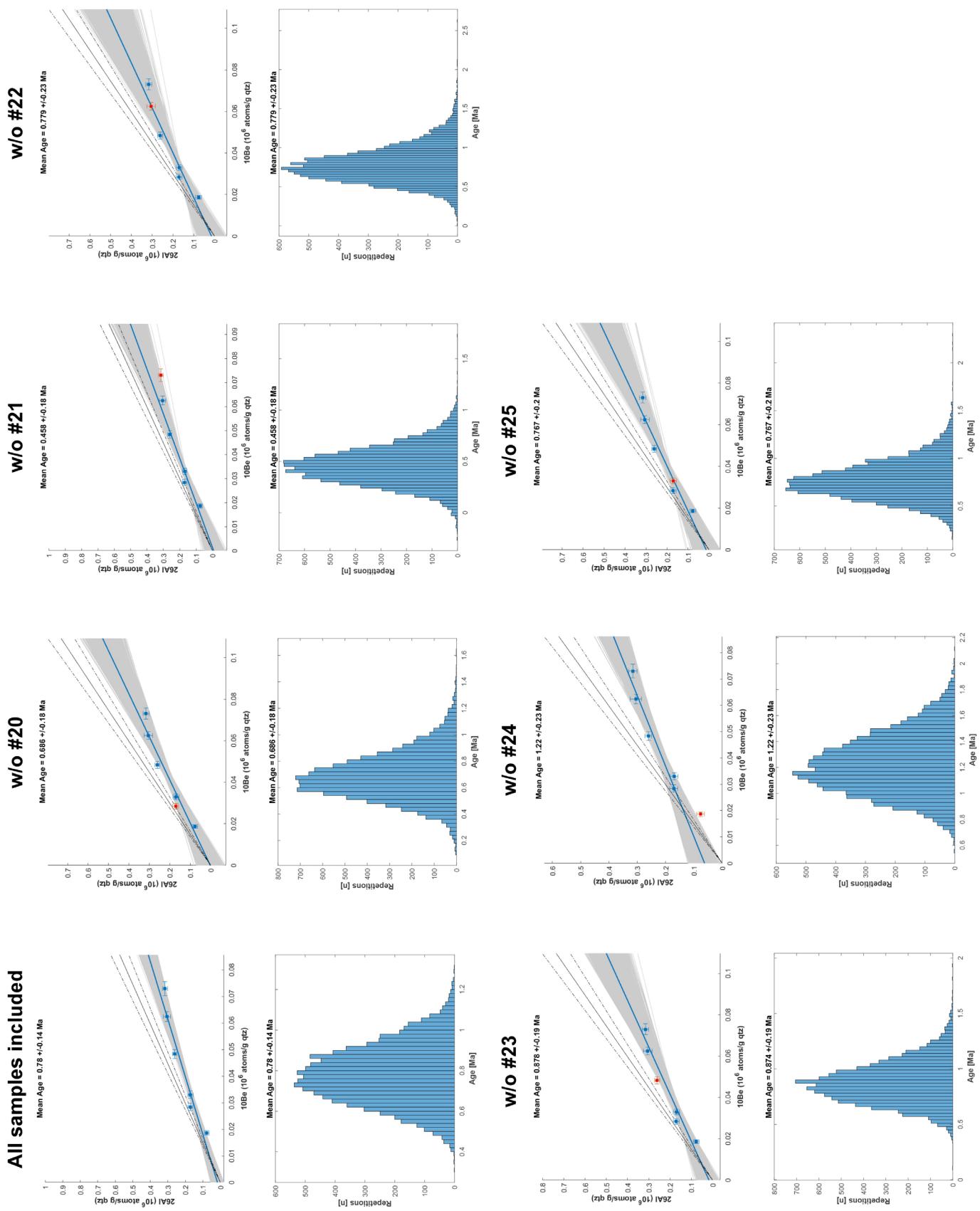
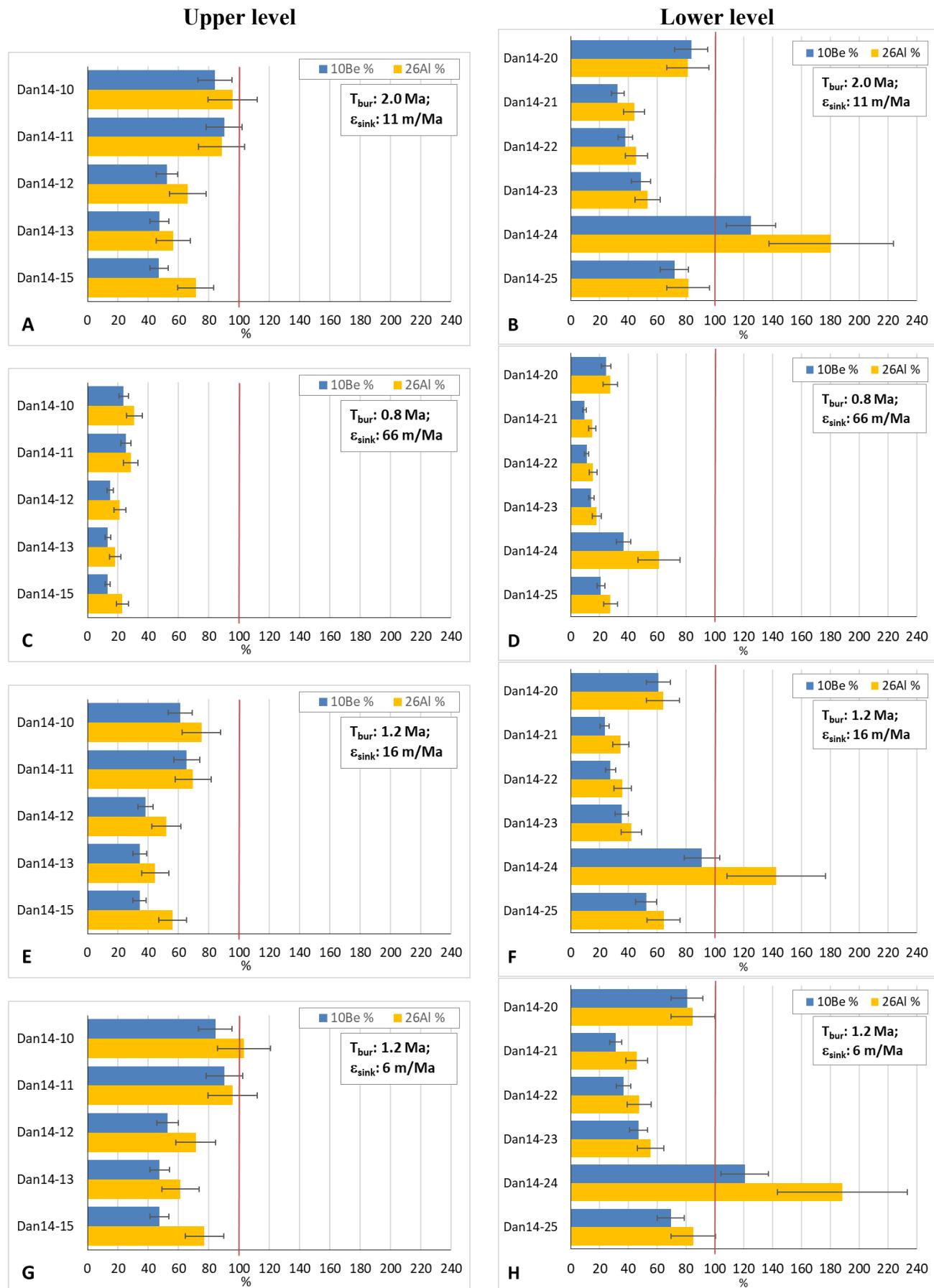


Fig. S2 Isochron plots and histograms for the 11.8 m level



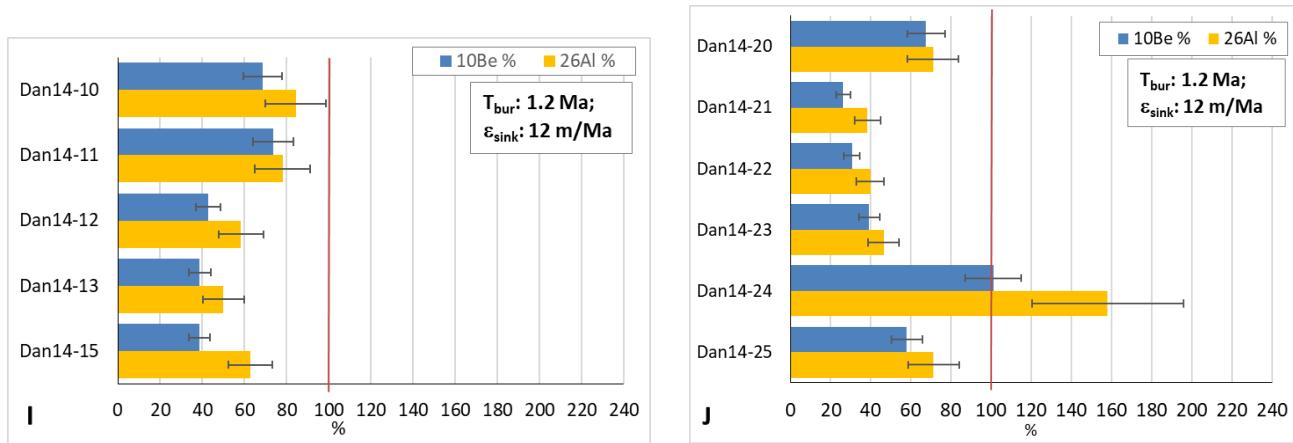


Fig. S3. Post-burial  $^{10}\text{Be}$  and  $^{26}\text{Al}$  concentrations in percentage of the measured CRN concentrations for different modelled scenarios for the upper (A, C, E, G, I, left column) and the lower (B, D, F, H, J, right column) levels. The red line marks 100%, where the measured CRN and modelled post-burial CRN inventories are equal. Samples below 100% contain CRN from previous exposure and can provide information on the age. Samples above 100% accumulated all CRN during the depositional period. For the most probable scenario (I, J) of ~1.2 Ma burial age ( $T_{\text{bur}}$ ) and 12 m/Ma sink denudation rate ( $\varepsilon_{\text{sink}}$ ) the only sample failing this test is #24. Note that during a longer burial duration of 2 Ma (A, B) or at a slower denudation rate of 6 m/Ma (G, H) the  $^{26}\text{Al}$  inherited inventories of sample #10 and #11 would have also been decayed. The error bars include the uncertainties of the measured nuclide concentrations, the surface production rates and half-lives of  $^{10}\text{Be}$  and  $^{26}\text{Al}$ . The observed higher proportion of  $^{26}\text{Al}$  is a result of higher  $^{26}\text{Al}/^{10}\text{Be}$  production rate ratios at 5–12 m depth compared to the surface values, which makes the post-burial  $^{26}\text{Al}$  inventory larger. Note that a longer burial time and/or the slower denudation rate results in larger ratio of the post-burial  $^{10}\text{Be}$  and  $^{26}\text{Al}$  inventories.

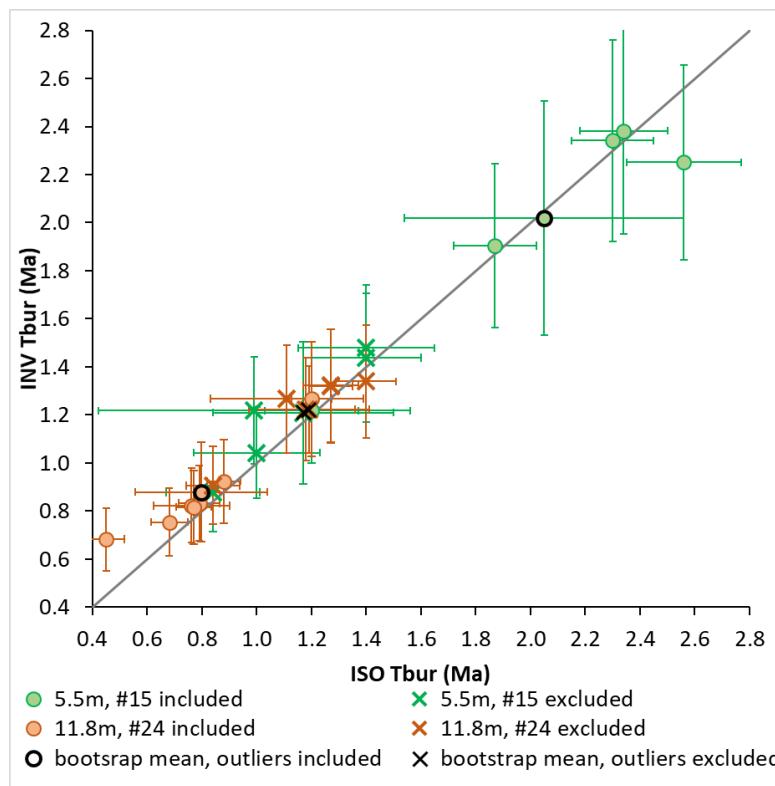


Fig. S4. Comparison plot of bootstrapping using ISO and INV. Note that i) burial ages provided by the two methods are consistent and ii) burial ages of the upper level are much older than those of the lower level when the outliers are included, leading to a stratigraphically impossible situation. Ages are much more clustered when outliers are excluded from both sample sets, and the burial ages of the two levels are consistent.

### 3) Apparent source denudation rates

Source denudation rates are termed apparent, as this is the only variable to modulate the parameters of the source area that define the CRN amounts and ratio ( $R_0$ ) the samples are buried with. For small catchments, with no significant variability of the latitude and elevation of the catchment area, the source production rates can be considered constant. In such cases, the modelled source denudation rates can provide a good estimate of the true natural value. However, in the case of large rivers, like the Danube, the variability in altitude and latitude throughout the catchment is considerable, leading to large variability of the production rates throughout the source area. In this situation, the denudation rate cannot be regarded as the only or the most deterministic parameter for the amounts of CRN accumulated during exposure and subsequent erosion. This is why in cases like the present study, the INV modelled source denudation rates scatter widely (Tables S4, S5) and do not reflect the actual true source denudation rates and have to be regarded as apparent.

Table S4. Minimum and maximum values of the apparent source denudation rates for the two sampled levels of the bootstrap runs using INV.

		Source denudation rate [m/Ma]				
		min - max				
Upper level (5.5 m depth)	w/o #15	All samples	47	-	1 810	
		Complete dataset	48	-	287 110	
Bootstrap		w/o #10	48	-	222	
Bootstrap		w/o #11	45	-	2 249	
Bootstrap		w/o #12	45	-	5 570	
Bootstrap		w/o #13	63	-	279	
Bootstrap		mean*	50	-	59 086	
Bootstrap		All samples	63	-	279	
Bootstrap		w/o #10	68	-	1 058	
Bootstrap		w/o #11	58	-	134	
Bootstrap		w/o #12	65	-	235	
Bootstrap		w/o #13	73	-	376	
Bootstrap		mean	66	-	451	
Bootstrap		All samples	57	-	316	
Bootstrap		w/o # 20	10	-	207	
Bootstrap		w/o # 21	10	-	223	
Bootstrap		w/o # 22	57	-	321	
Bootstrap		w/o # 23	54	-	314	
Bootstrap		w/o # 24	62	-	771	
Bootstrap		w/o #25	57	-	303	
Bootstrap		mean	42	-	357	
Bootstrap		All samples	62	-	771	
Bootstrap		w/o #20	61	-	318	
Bootstrap		w/o #21	76	-	296	
Bootstrap		w/o # 22	61	-	938	
Bootstrap		w/o # 23	57	-	533	
Bootstrap		w/o # 24	64	-	4 000	
Bootstrap		mean*	64	-	1 217	

Table S5. Minimum and maximum values of the apparent source denudation rates for the merged dataset of the bootstrap runs using INV.

		<b>Source denudation rate</b>		
		<b>[m/Ma]</b>		
		<b>min - max</b>		
		54	-	801
Complete dataset	All samples	54	-	801
	w/o #10	56	-	734
	w/o #11	52	-	346
	w/o #12	53	-	794
	w/o #13	53	-	803
	w/o #15	60	-	875
	w/o #20	53	-	646
	w/o #21	59	-	633
	w/o #22	52	-	1 058
	w/o #23	50	-	1 309
	w/o #24	53	-	273
	w/o #25	53	-	786
	mean*	54	-	755
w/o #15 and #24	All samples	60	-	310
	w/o #10	60	-	579
	w/o #11	59	-	251
	w/o #12	60	-	314
	w/o #13	59	-	309
	w/o #20	59	-	251
	w/o #21	65	-	254
	w/o #22	59	-	320
	w/o #23	56	-	329
	w/o #25	60	-	317
	mean*	60	-	325