



Harvest the Past, Feed the Future

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Maize, rice, wheat: alarm at rising climate risk to vital crops

Climate change to hurt wheat, rice crop yields

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Speaking of Science

Earth is on its way to the biggest mass extinction since the dinosaurs, scientists warn

By Kristine Phillips July 12 [✉](#)

Past extinctions point to a current and future biodiversity crisis

Rapid climate change is a unifying feature of ancient mass extinctions - how bad might it be now?



Arabian Oryx are at risk of extinction because of limited habitats and hunting. Evidence suggests many species and not just endangered ones are under threat.

Photograph: Karim Sahib/AFP/Getty Images

DAILY NATION

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Kenya: Food Crisis to Worsen as Maize Crop Withers



John Boyd, Contributor

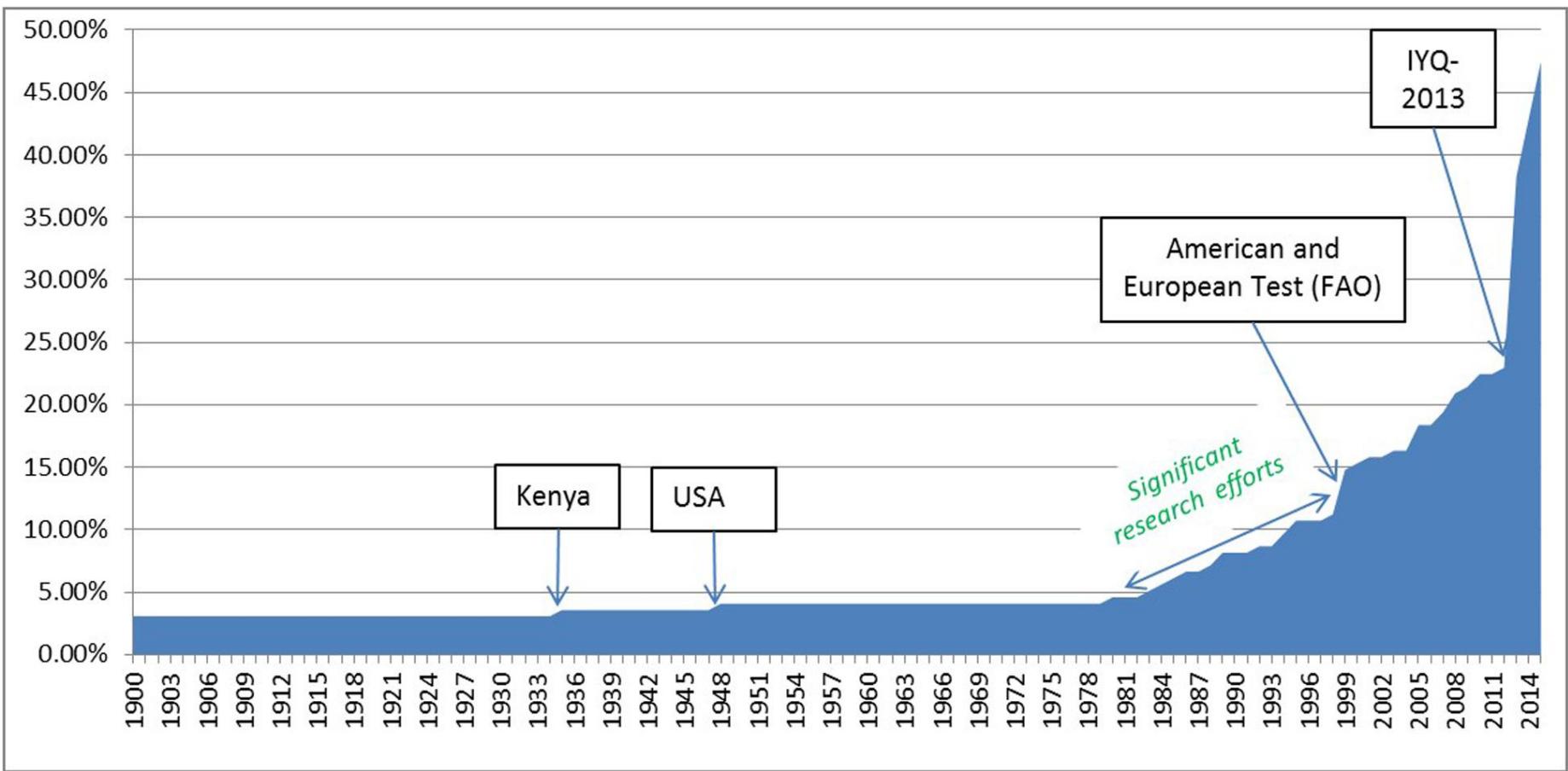
Founder & President National Black Farmers Association

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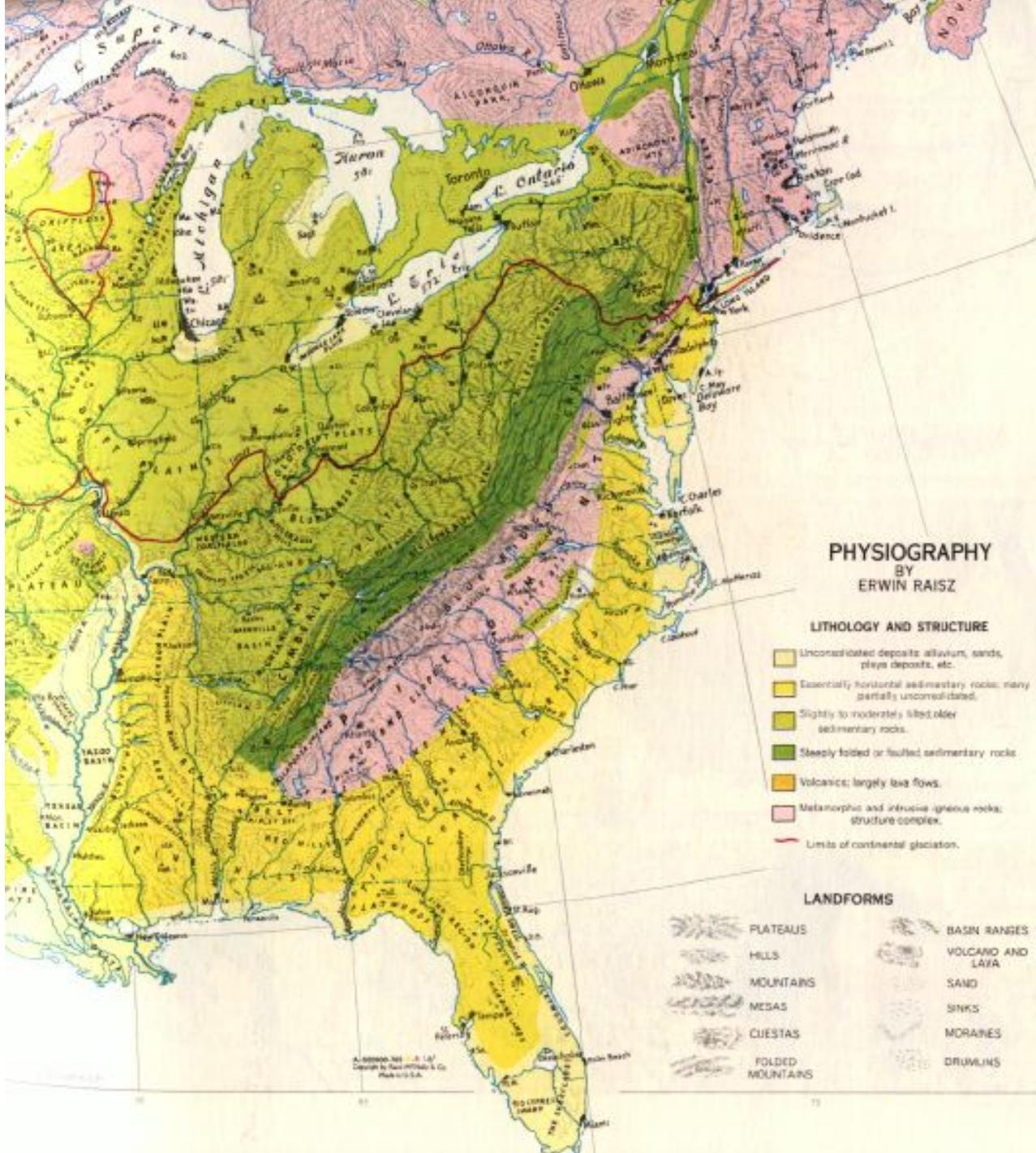
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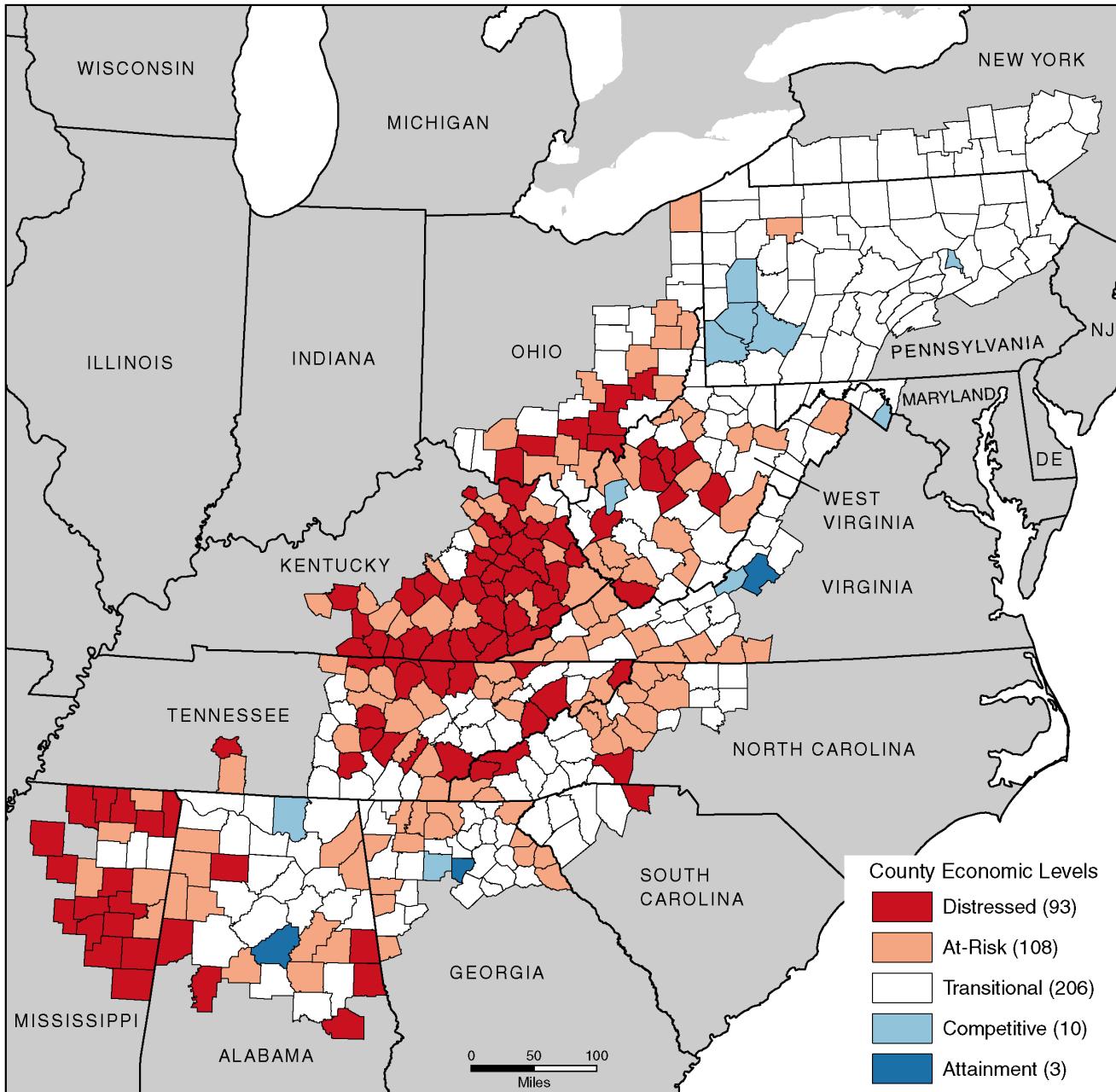


Quinca
2013 International Year
A future sown thousands
of years ago



**Percentage of UN countries with quinoa experimentation or cultivation
(Bazile et al. 2016)**





Created by the Appalachian Regional Commission, March 2013

Data Sources:

Unemployment data: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, LAUS, 2009–2011

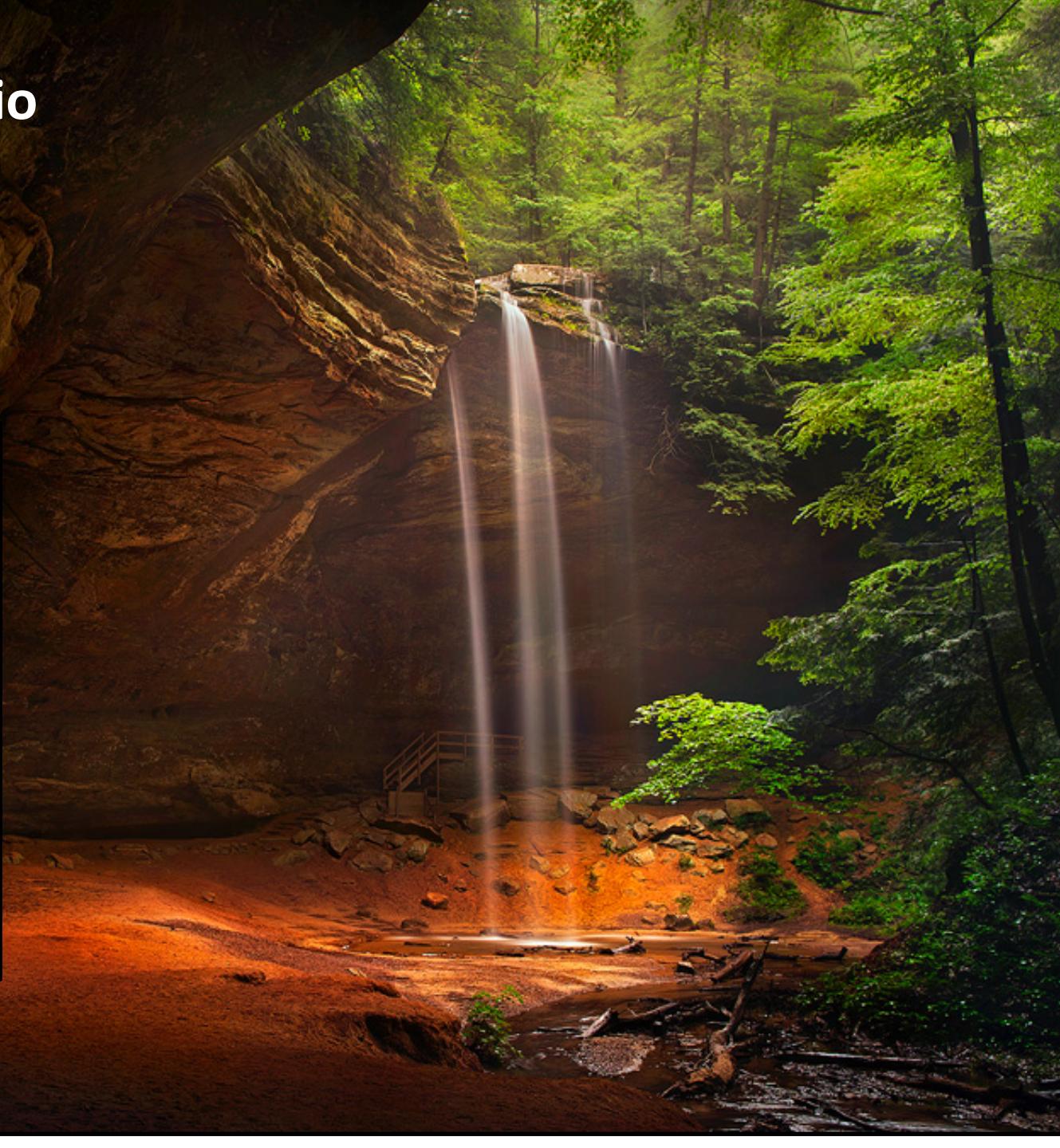
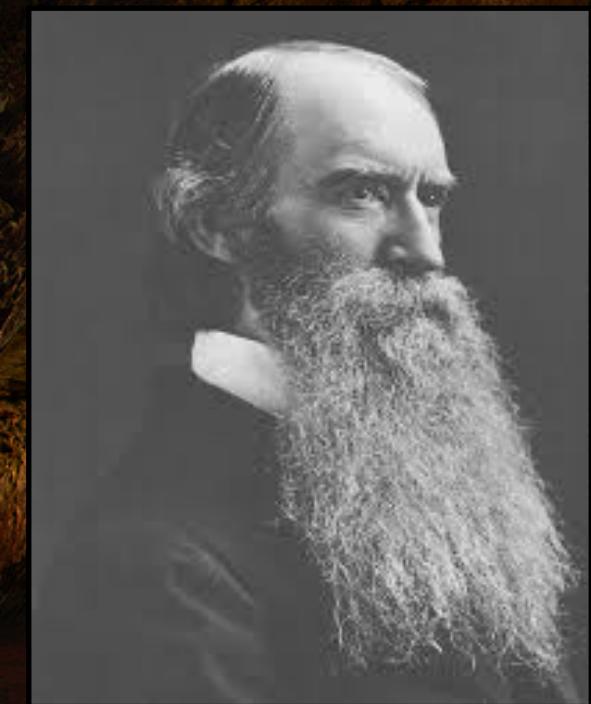
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Poverty data: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2007–2011

Effective October 1, 2013
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Ash Cave, Ohio



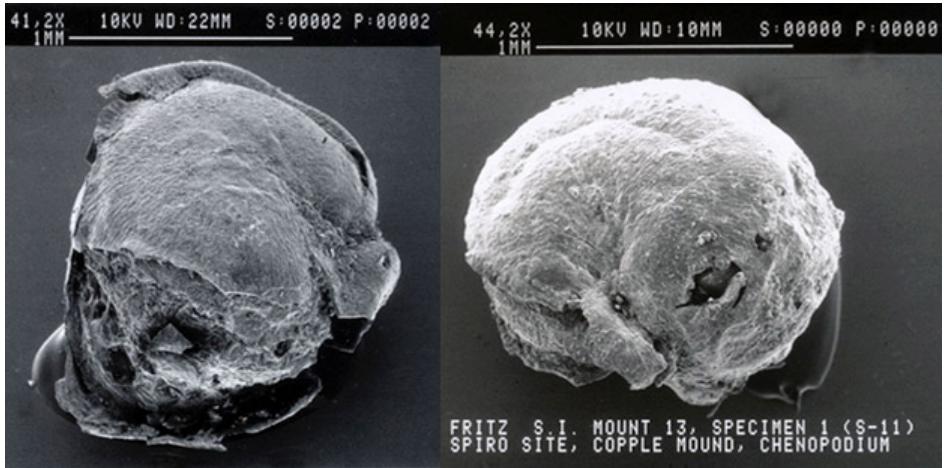


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Image from Smith and Yarnell 2009





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Experimentally carbonized *C. album* (left) and uncarbonized *C. album* (right)

Denmark – Iron Age finds of *C. album* seed caches & bog bodies with *C. album*

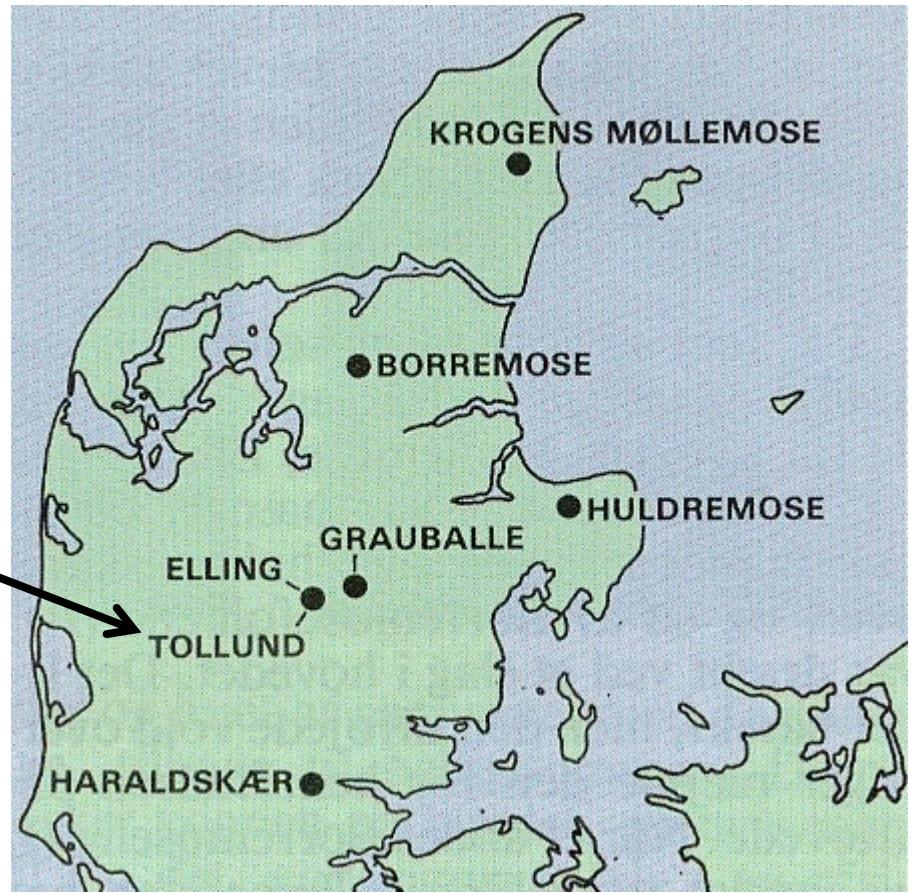




Table 7.3. The Nutritive Value of Seed of Cultigens of the Prehistoric Eastern Woodlands of North America (percent dry basis)

Species	Protein	Fat	Carb.	Fiber	Ash
Starchy-seeded					
Goosefoot ^a					
<i>C. berlandieri</i>	19.12	1.82	47.55	28.01	3.50
Maygrass ^b					
<i>P. caroliniana</i>	23.7	6.4	54.3	3.0	2.14
Knotweed ^a					
<i>P. erectum</i>	16.88	2.41	65.24	13.33	2.34
Oily-seeded					
Sumpweed ^c					
<i>I. annua</i>	32.25	44.47	10.96	1.46	5.80
Sunflower ^d					
<i>H. annuus</i>	24.00	47.30	16.10	3.80	4.00
Tropical crops					
Maize ^c					
<i>Z. mays</i>	8.9	3.9	70.20	2.0	1.2
Squash ^c					
<i>C. pepo</i>	29.0	46.7	13.10	1.9	4.9
Bean ^e					
<i>P. vulgaris</i>	22.0	1.6	60.8	4.3	3.6
Quinoa ^f					
<i>C. quinoa</i>	12.5	6.0	72.5	5.6	3.4

^aAsch and Asch 1985:361.^bCrites and Terry 1984.^cAsch and Asch 1978.^dWatt and Merrill 1963.^eWu Leung 1961.^fWhite et al. 1955.

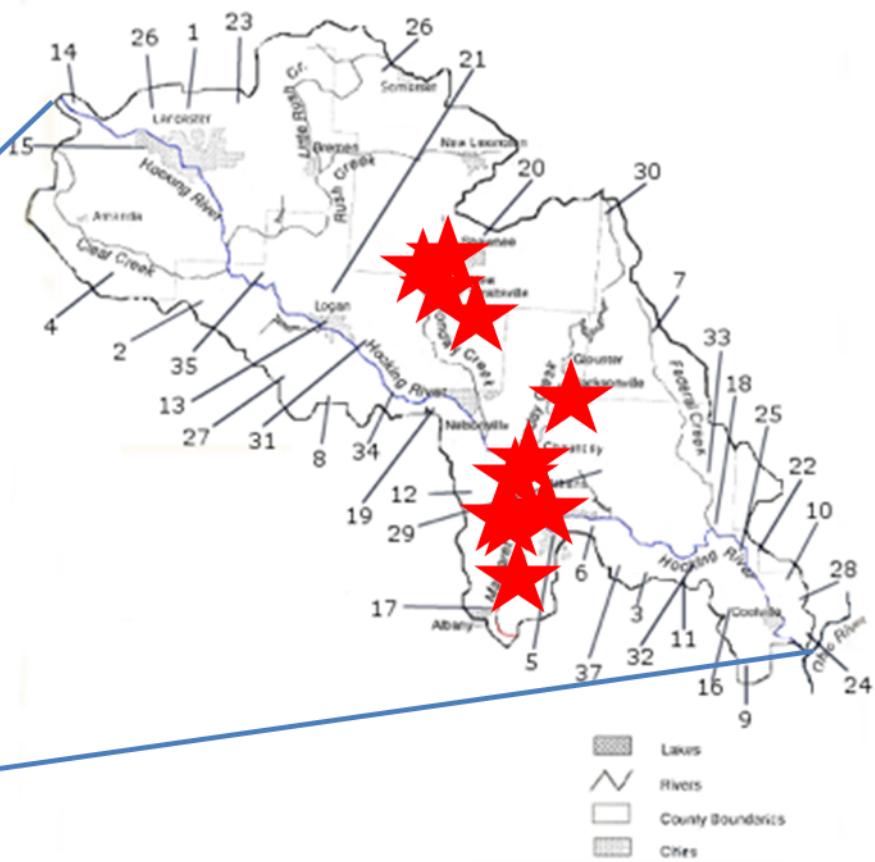
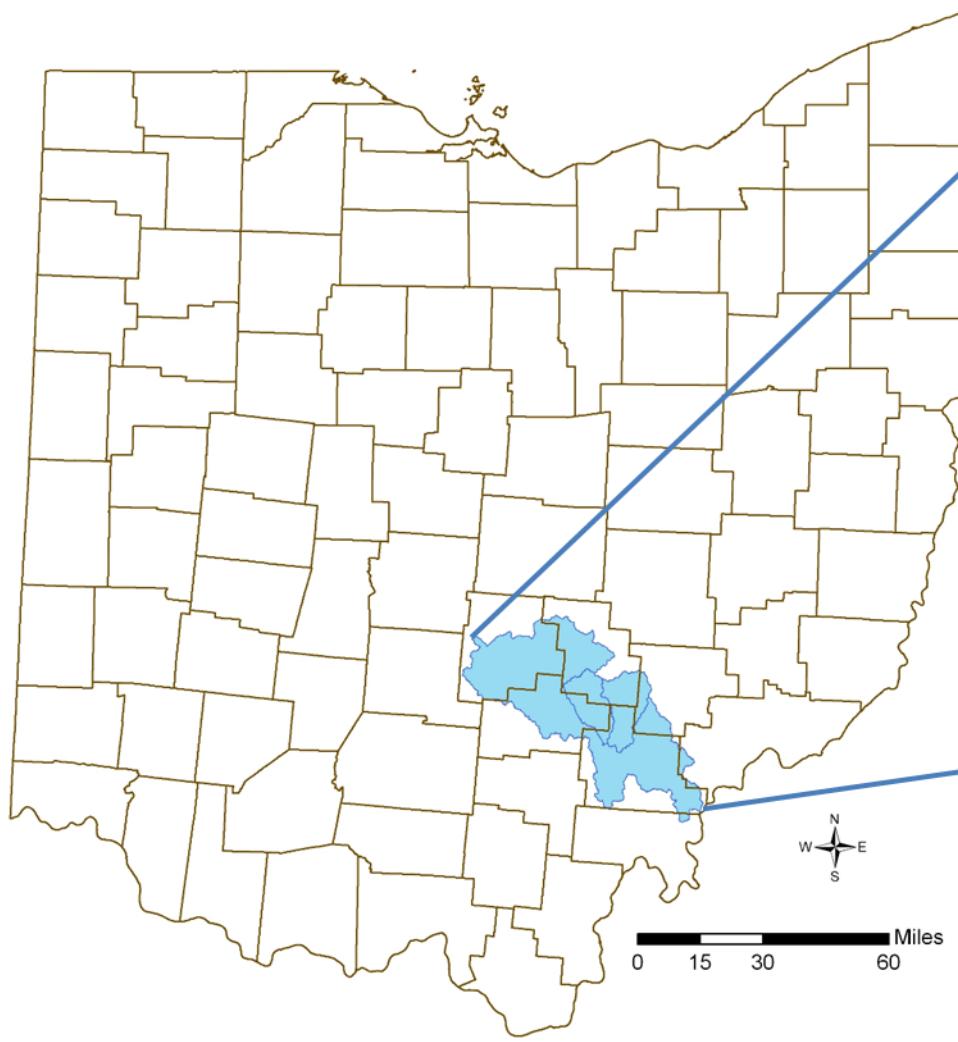
Smith, B. 1987 The Economic Potential of *C. berlandieri* in Prehistoric Eastern North America.
Journal of Ethnobiology 7(1):29-54



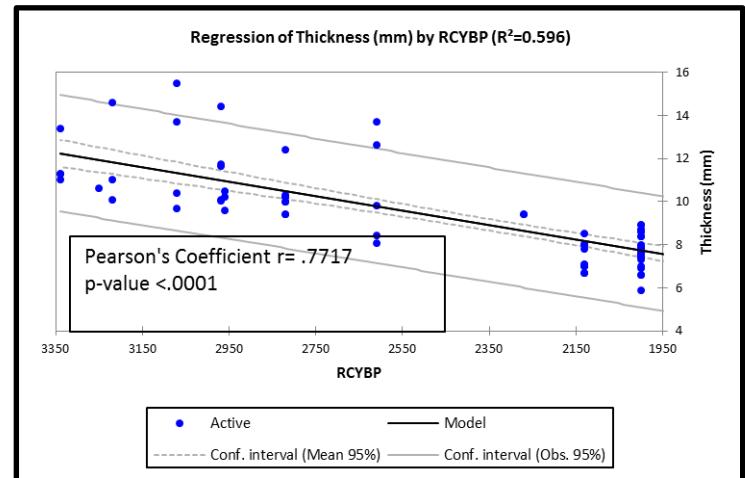
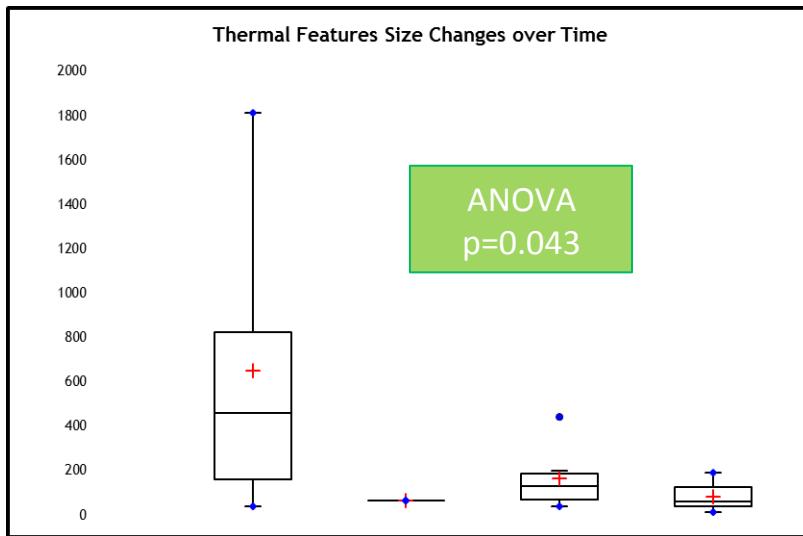
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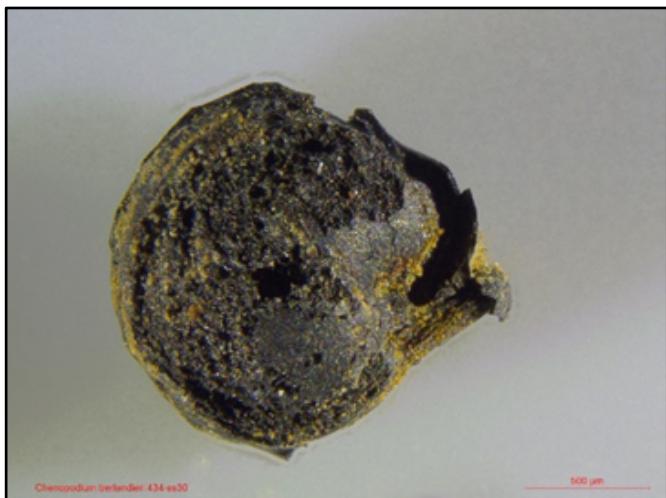




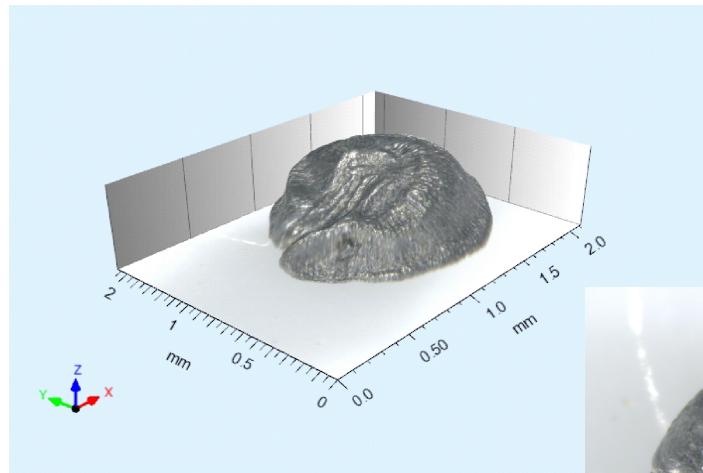


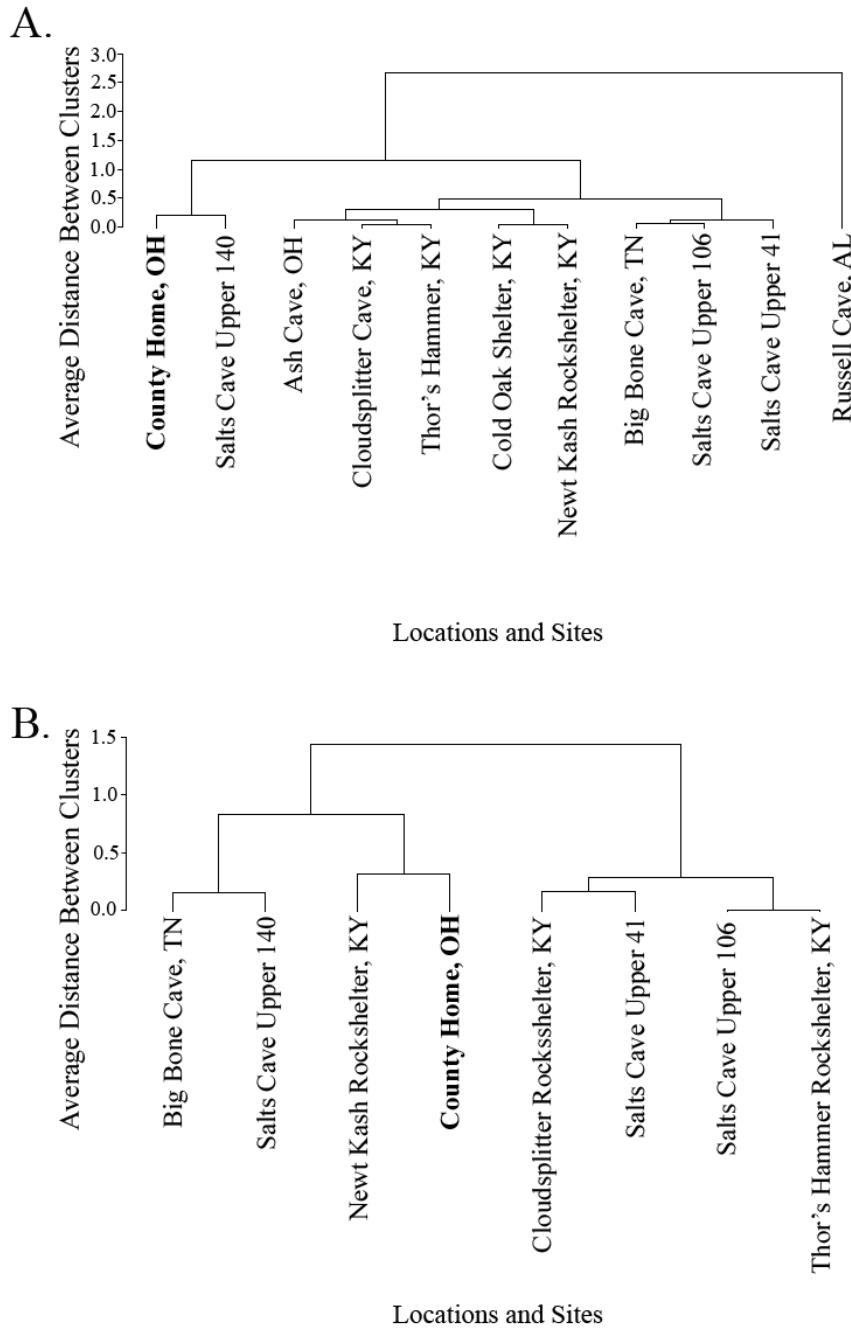
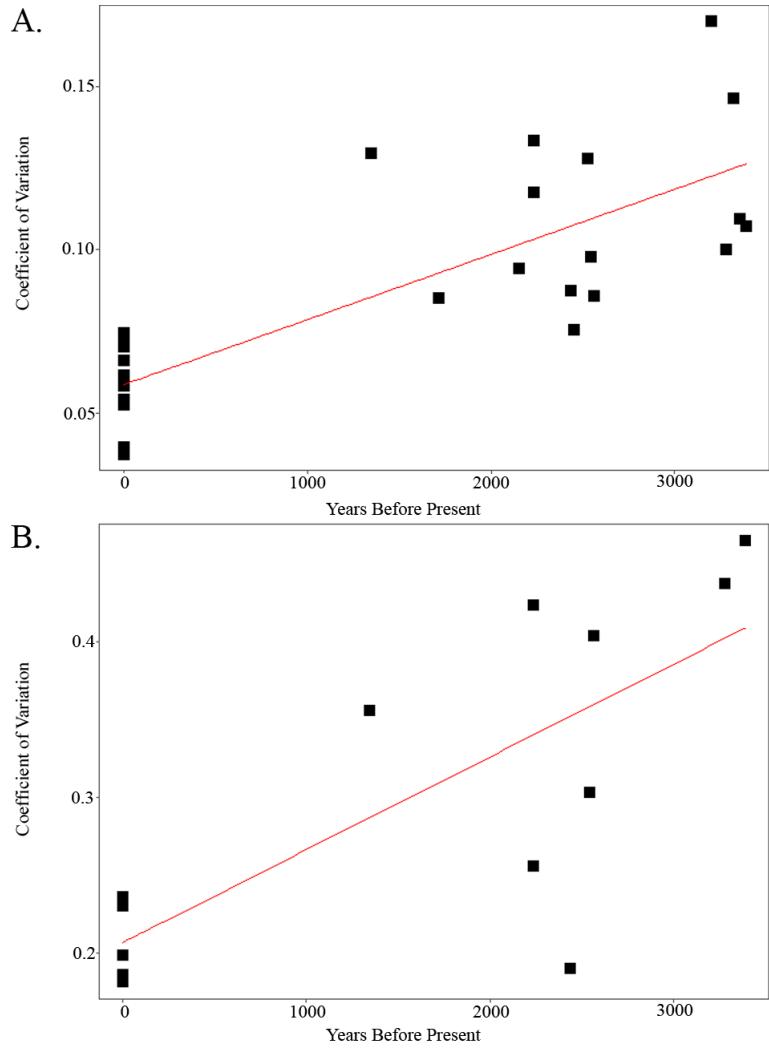


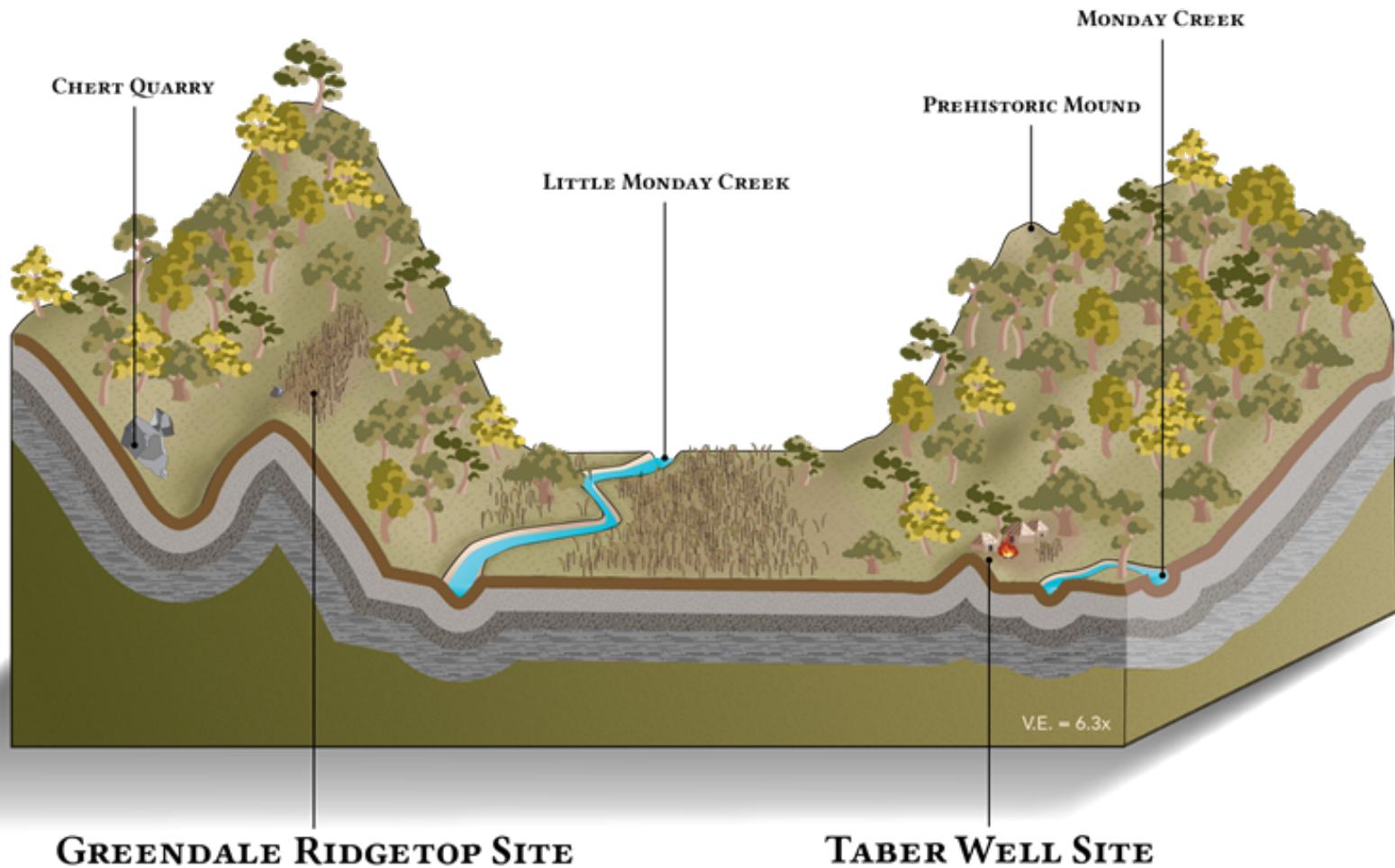




Chenopodium berlandieri ssp. *jonesianum*

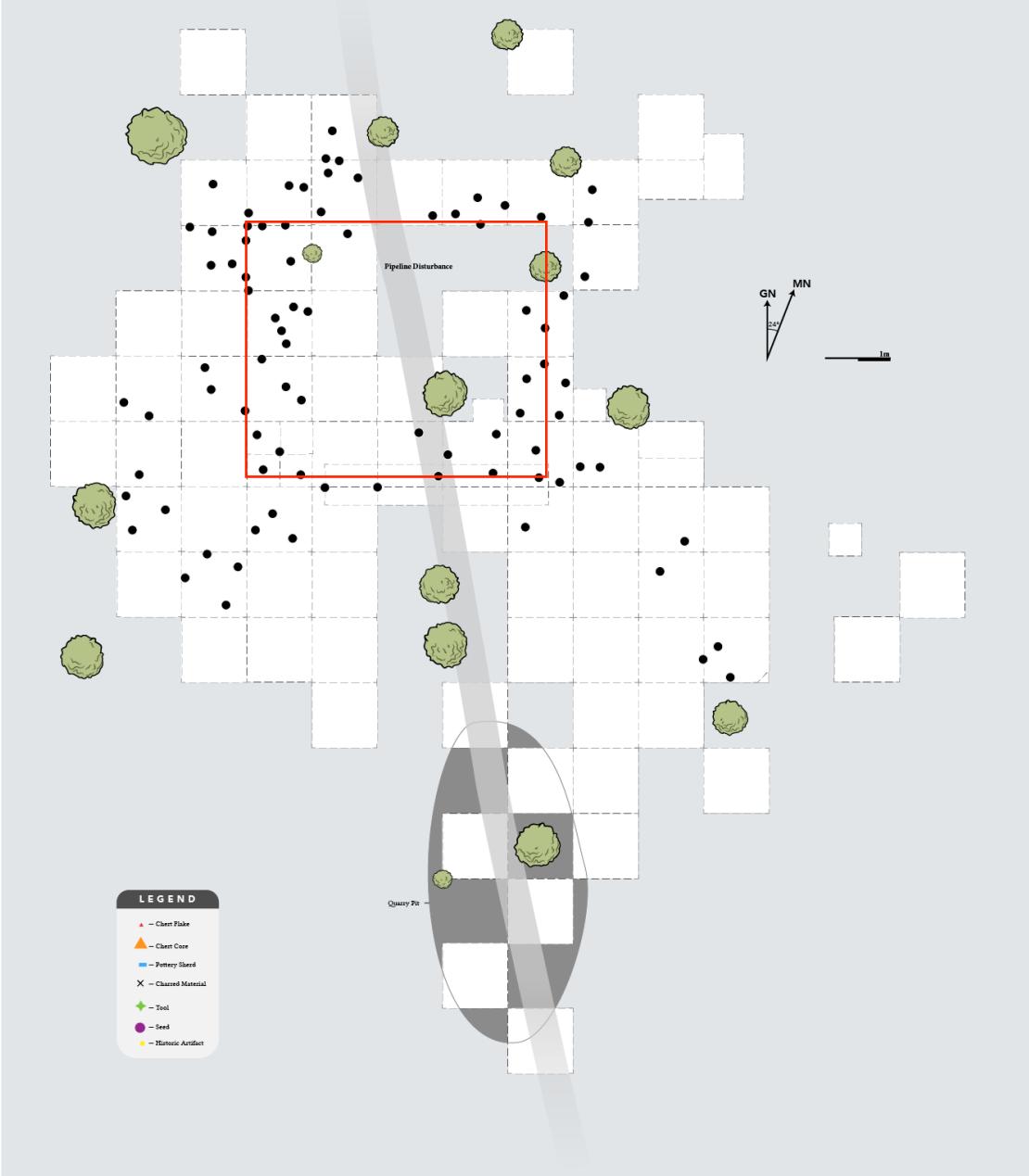


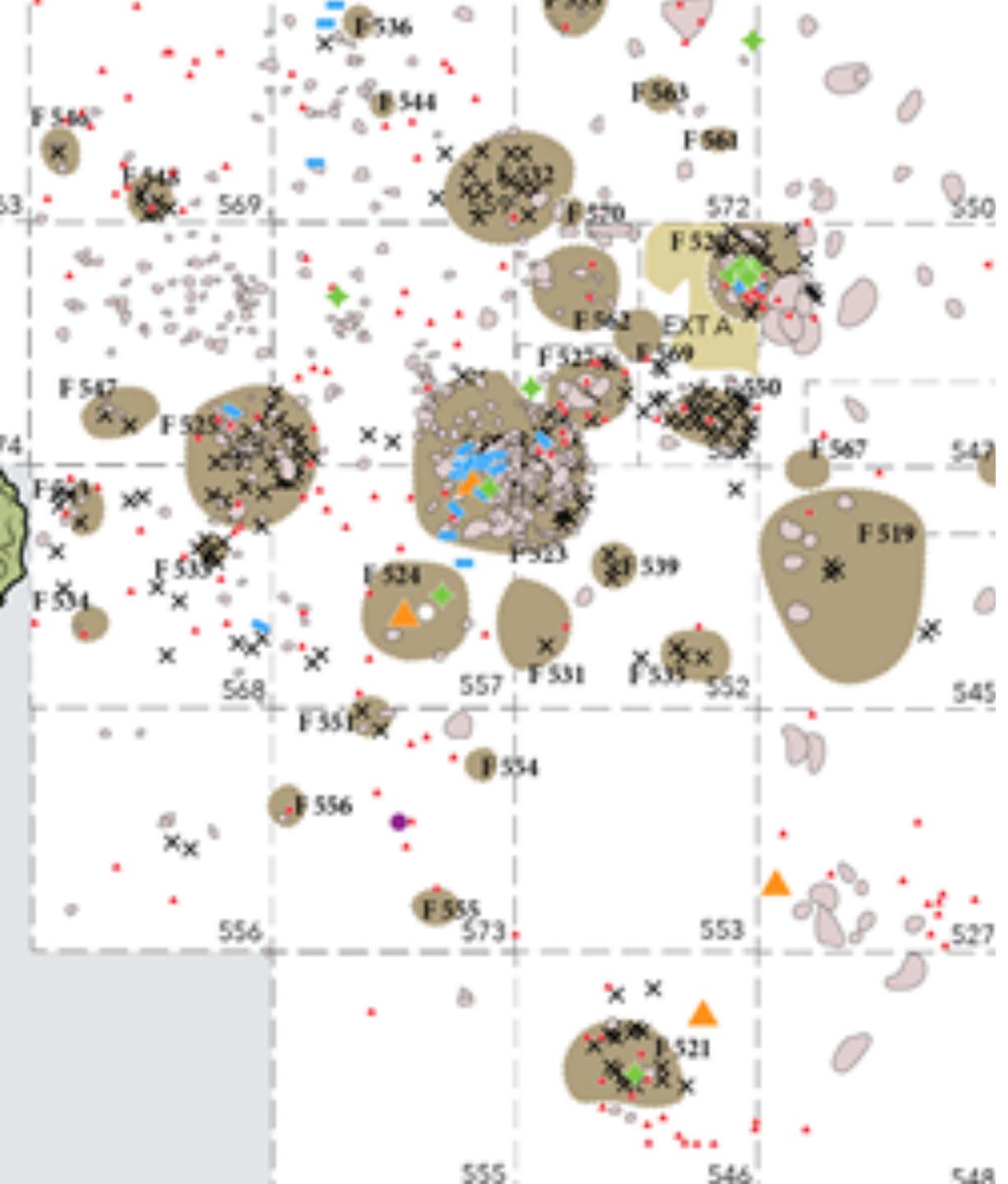


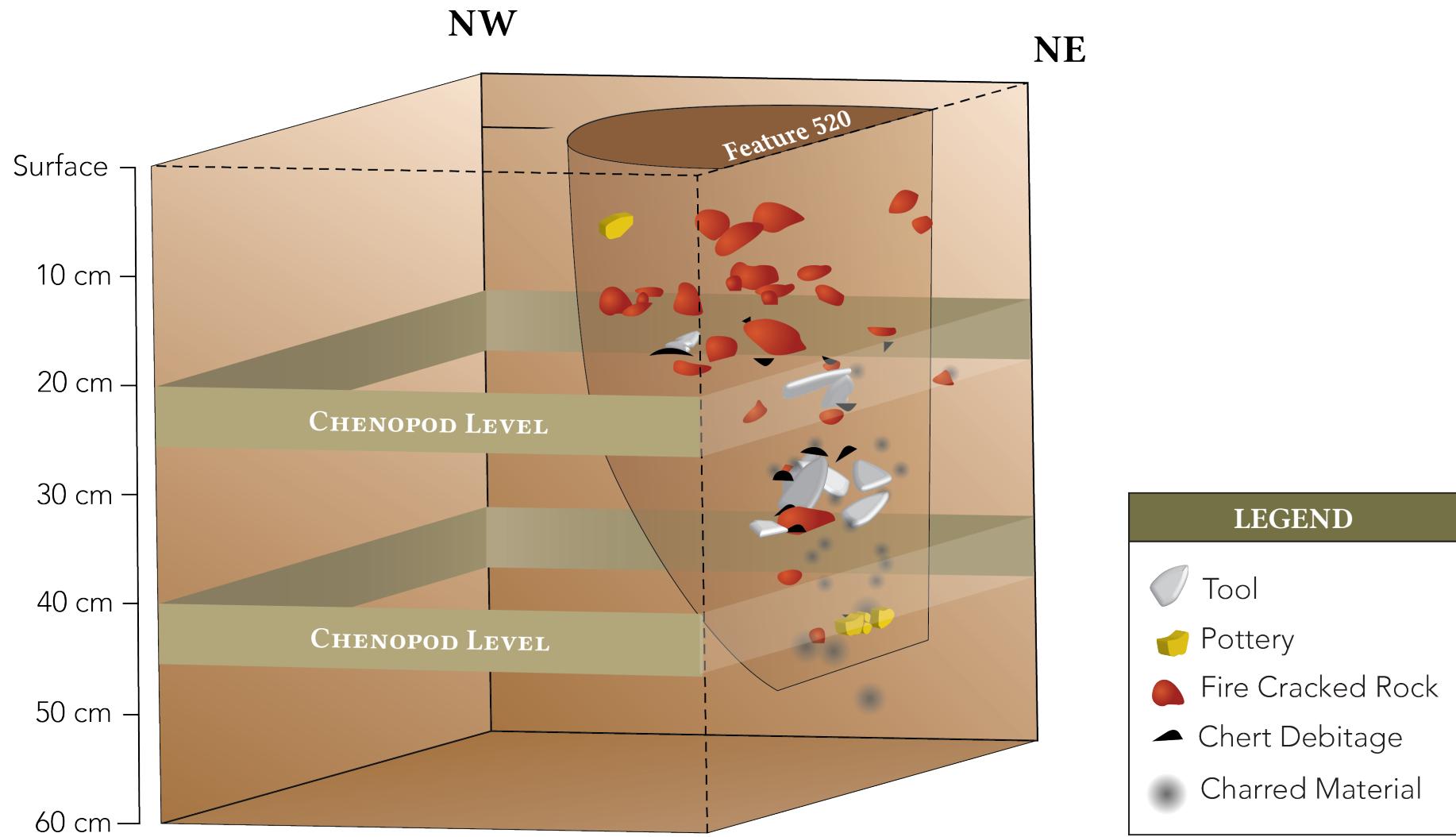




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GREENDALE RIDGETOP SITE









LEVEL 3
14 cm below surface



LEVEL 4
23 cm below surface



LEVEL 4
25 cm below surface



Level 6
32 cm below surface



LEVEL 3
East Half - West Wall
5 cm below surface

LEVEL 8
East Half
42 cm below surface

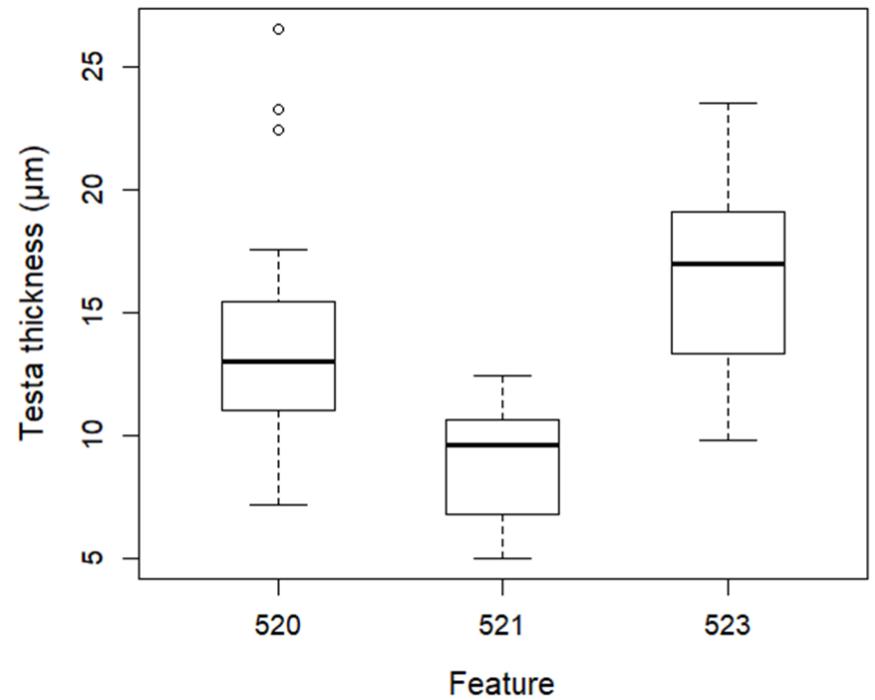
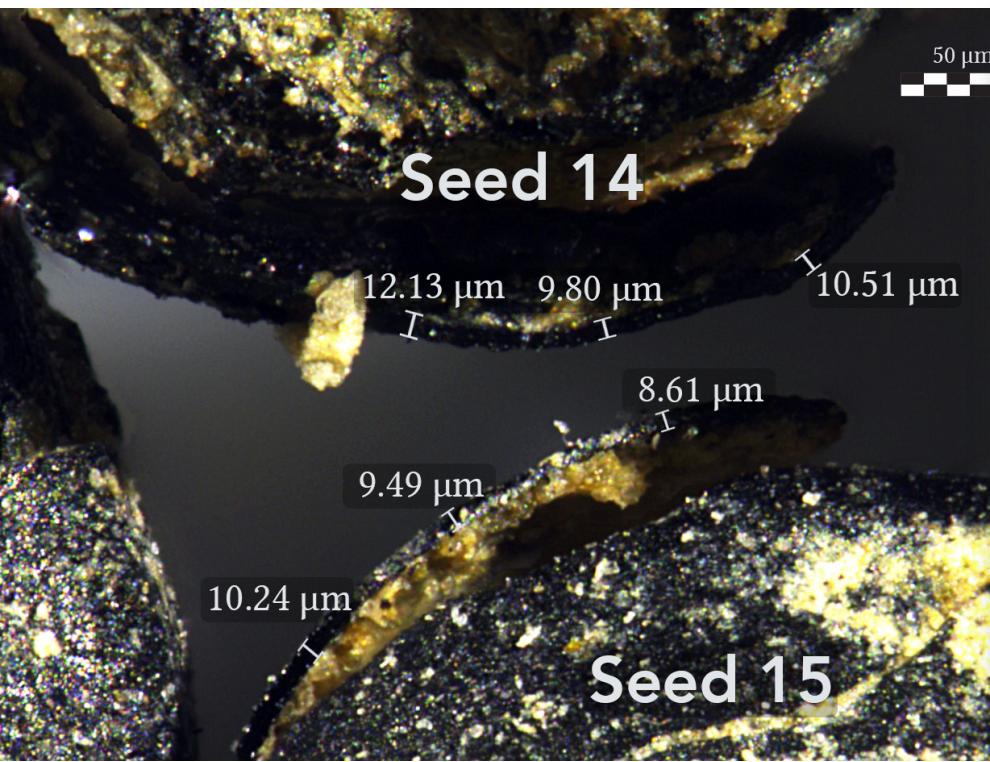
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West Half
42 cm below surface

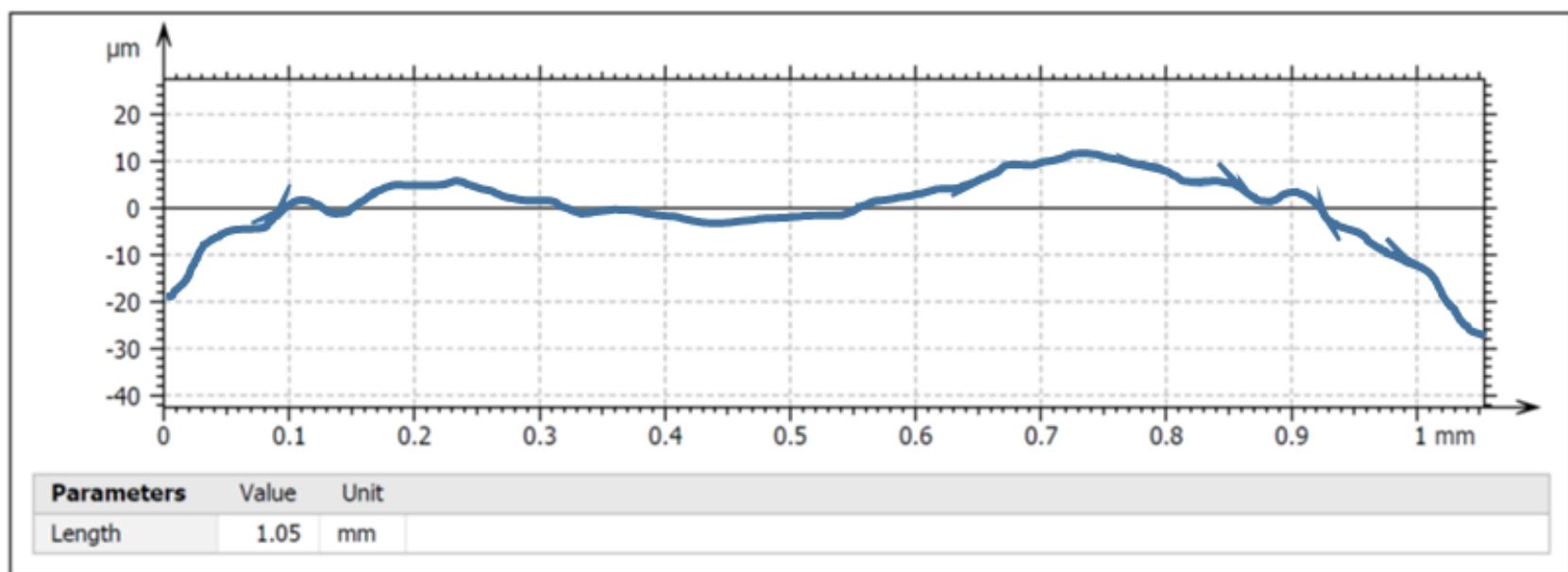
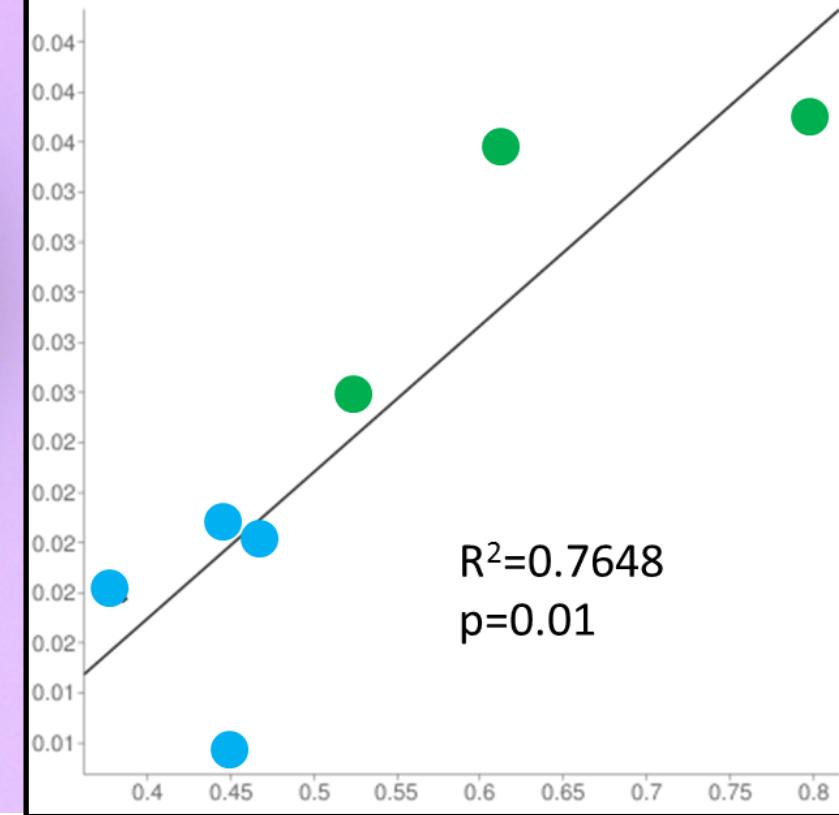
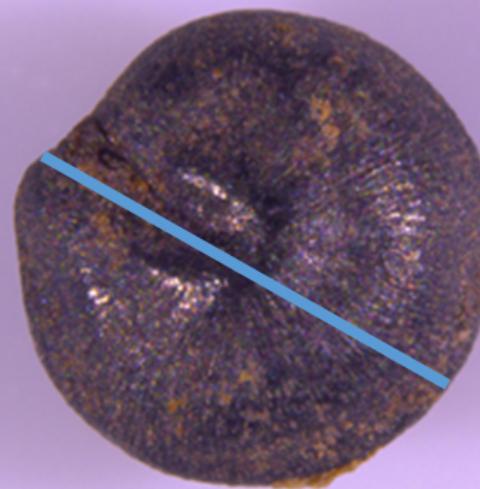
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10cm





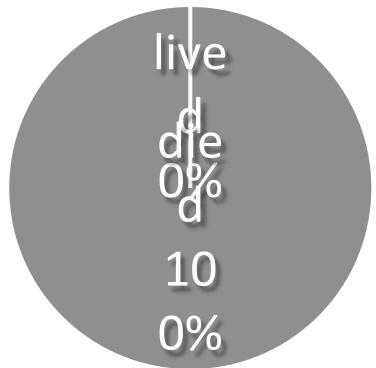
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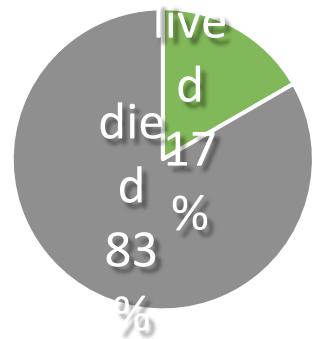




C. quinoa



*C. berlandieri
nuttalliae*



C. quinoa



C. berlandieri berlandieri

