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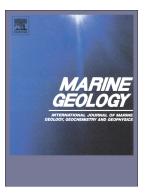
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Abstract

Although hundreds of cores have been collected on the

Antarctic continental shelf over the past five decades, definitive
interpretations of depositional environments associated with
marine-based ice advance and retreat are hindered by similarities
in sediment facies and a lack of geomorphic context. The recent
use of an advanced multibeam bathymetry system allows for more
detailed ice sheet reconstructions from glacial landforms that were
previously not resolved with older generation systems. Here we
present results from a recent cruise to the Ross Sea, Antarctica that
focuses on integrating sediment facies analyses into a geomorphic
framework to confidently determine depositional environments and
sedimentological processes since the Last Glacial Maximum.

Grain-size analysis, geotechnical properties, and

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