

# 1 **Retreat patterns and dynamics of the Sentralbankrenna glacial system,** 2 **Central Barents Sea**

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## 10 **Abstract**

11 The Barents Sea Ice Sheet (BSIS) is a good palaeo-analogue for the present day West Antarctic  
12 Ice Sheet. Both were marine-based ice sheets, particularly vulnerable to ocean warming and  
13 sea-level rise. Understanding the BSIS ice dynamics and patterns of retreat since the Last  
14 Glacial Maximum (LGM) is useful in developing our knowledge of spatial and temporal  
15 variations during marine-based ice sheet retreat. While the western margins of the Barents Sea  
16 have been extensively studied, few studies have focused on the central regions, which hosted  
17 key ice stream tributaries and major ice domes and divides. Presenting a new high-resolution  
18 (5 m) bathymetric dataset, this glacial geomorphological study focuses on the Sentralbankrenna  
19 palaeo-glacial system in the central Barents Sea. A large number of grounding zone wedges,  
20 mega-scale glacial lineations and areas with tunnel valleys and palaeo-subglacial basins were  
21 identified. These form the basis for a six-stage reconstruction of ice stream retreat through  
22 deglaciation since the LGM. In reconstructing the retreat of the Sentralbankrenna Ice Stream,  
23 we document the rapid but highly spatially variable pattern of retreat of a marine-based ice  
24 sheet margin. The presence of several tunnel valleys and interconnected palaeo-subglacial basin  
25 systems indicates an abundance of meltwater, likely to have been stored and released through  
26 several discharge events, significantly influencing the ice stream margin dynamics. This study  
27 provides insight into the behaviour and dynamics of ice during the late stages of the BSIS  
28 deglaciation within the central Barents Sea, increasing our understanding of grounding line  
29 processes.

32 **Keywords:**

33 Late Quaternary; Deglaciation; Barents Sea Ice Sheet; Glacial geomorphology; Sentralbankrenna  
34 palaeo-Ice Stream; GZW; MSGSL; Marine-based ice sheet; Ice stream reconstruction; Glacial dynamics.

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36 **1. Introduction**

37 Ice streams are important and highly dynamic components of contemporary- and palaeo-ice  
38 sheets, transporting large amounts of ice and sediment from the ice sheet interior to the margins  
39 (Bamber et al., 2000); thereby significantly influencing the stability of the ice sheet (Bennett et  
40 al., 2003). Insight into the processes that occur at ice margins is of vital importance for  
41 understanding ice-ocean interactions and the consequences of ocean warming (Alley et al.,  
42 2005; Bindschadler, 2006; Pritchard et al., 2009). In particular, processes occurring at the  
43 grounding zones (where grounded ice loses contact with the bed), where a large amount of mass  
44 is lost by calving and melting (Jenkins and Doake, 1991; Rignot and Jacobs, 2002). This, in  
45 conjunction with other climatic changes, can lead to acceleration of ice streams, promoting  
46 destabilisation in the interior of the ice sheet (Oppenheimer, 1998; Rignot et al., 2004; Shepherd  
47 et al., 2004; Bindschadler, 2006). Present day Antarctic and Greenland Ice Sheets are vulnerable  
48 to oceanographic and climatic changes, such as increasing surface water temperatures and  
49 atmospheric warming, particularly at their ocean margins, thus it is essential to develop our  
50 understanding of the processes and mechanisms that influence the spatial and temporal retreat  
51 of ice streams.

52 During the Last Glacial Maximum (LGM; 18-21 cal ka BP) a large marine-based ice sheet  
53 covered the Barents Sea, extending to the western continental shelf break (fig. 1; Svendsen et  
54 al., 2004). The Barents Sea Ice Sheet (BSIS) is considered a good palaeo-analogue for marine-  
55 based ice sheets (Siegert et al., 2002) such as the present-day West Antarctic Ice Sheet (WAIS).  
56 They have many similarities, both are marine-based with their beds mostly below sea-level,  
57 both are overlying sedimentary bedrock, and had similar sizes and extents during the LGM  
58 (Andreassen and Winsborrow, 2009). However, unlike the WAIS, the BSIS completely  
59 deglaciated following the LGM.

60 Details of its deglaciation history are preserved in the glacial sediments and landforms  
61 imprinted onto the seafloor of the Barents Sea and have been extensively studied in southwest  
62 Barents Sea and parts of the Svalbard margin (fig. 1; i.e. Vorren and Kristoffersen, 1986;

63 Elverhøi et al., 1993; Solheim et al., 1996; Landvik et al., 1998; Dowdeswell et al., 2010;  
64 Winsborrow et al., 2010; Rütther et al., 2012; Ingólfsson and Landvik, 2013; Andreassen et al.,  
65 2014; Bjarnadóttir et al., 2014; Piasecka et al., 2016). In contrast, the central Barents Sea  
66 remains poorly studied, despite it being the site of a major ice dome and ice divides for the  
67 BSIS, as well as hosting several ice streams and their tributaries.

68 Ice streams leave a series of characteristic geomorphic imprints on the seafloor, which  
69 document the spatial and temporal patterns of retreat. By studying these we can gain valuable  
70 insights into the processes and mechanisms controlling ice stream behaviour (Stokes and Clark,  
71 2001; Livingstone et al., 2012a).

72 Until recently, there has been a particular scarcity of bathymetric data available from the central  
73 Barents Sea due to a political Norwegian-Russian border dispute. This is in contrast to that  
74 available from the southwestern Barents Sea where several surveys have been undertaken. We  
75 present a high-resolution dataset from the central Barents Sea, immediately west of the border  
76 between Norway and Russia (fig. 1). Focusing on the Sentralbankrenna Ice Stream and its  
77 glacial system, which encompasses the adjacent bank areas Sentralbanken and Thor  
78 Iversenbanken. The Sentralbankrenna Ice Stream was a tributary to Bjørnøyrenna during the  
79 LGM and an important area during the final stages of the central BSIS deglaciation. In this  
80 paper, we present glacial geomorphological mapping from the bed of the Sentralbankrenna  
81 palaeo-Ice Stream, which is then interpreted to determine ice flow patterns and ice dynamics  
82 during deglaciation. We document rapid, episodic ice stream retreat associated with periods of  
83 increased ice margin break up punctuated by margin stillstands or short readvances. Subglacial  
84 meltwater was abundant in this area and is suggested to have significantly influenced the  
85 overlying ice by facilitating fast flow both for the Sentralbankrenna and Bjørnøyrenna Ice  
86 Stream.

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## 88 **2. Glacial and regional setting/Study area**

89 The Barents Sea is the largest epi-continental sea in the world and is characterised by relatively  
90 shallow banks (100-200 mbsl) and large, deep troughs (300-500 mbsl; fig. 1). Investigations  
91 into the large trough mouth fans at the shelf break suggest that the Barents Sea has undergone  
92 multiple glaciations during the Cenozoic (Vorren et al., 1988; Vorren and Laberg, 1997), with  
93 the most recent having taken place in the Late Weichselian (Landvik et al., 1998; Svendsen et

94 al., 2004). During this final glaciation, the BSIS reached the continental shelf break (fig. 1;  
95 Svendsen et al., 1999), depositing sediments along the northern and western continental slopes  
96 forming large trough mouth fans composed of glacial debris flow deposits (Laberg and  
97 Vorren, 1995; Dowdeswell et al., 1996; Kleiber et al., 2000; Andreassen et al., 2004).

98 The BSIS was a multi-domed ice sheet, and the ice divides for the LGM and early phase of  
99 deglaciation have been extensively studied and derived based on empirical data-sets (e.g.  
100 Bondevik et al., 1995; Forman, 2004; Ottesen et al., 2005) and glacial-isostatic adjustment  
101 modelling (e.g. Lambeck, 1995; 1996; Auriac et al., 2016). These studies indicate that one of  
102 the ice domes was located over Storbanken, in the northern Barents Sea, and may have extended  
103 over Sentralbanken (fig. 1; Bjarnadóttir et al., 2014; Patton et al., 2015; Piasecka et al., 2016).  
104 During the late phase of glaciation, the ice divide over Storbanken migrated northwest, into  
105 separate ice domes over e.g. Hinlopenstretet (Dowdeswell et al., 2010) and Nordaustlandet  
106 (Hormes et al., 2013).

107 During the LGM several ice streams occupied the cross shelf troughs; although not necessarily  
108 active synchronously these transported ice and sediments from the inner sectors of the BSIS to  
109 its margins (Ottesen et al., 2002; Andreassen et al., 2008; Bjarnadóttir et al., 2014; Patton et al.,  
110 2015; Vorren and Laberg, 1997). Empirical and modelling evidence suggest that during  
111 maximum glacial extent these ice streams were not topographically constrained, with the  
112 Bjørnøyrenna Ice Stream flowing straight from eastern Barents Sea where there was an ice  
113 divide located over the south east Barents Sea (Bjarnadóttir et al., 2014; Piasecka et al., 2016;  
114 Patton et al., 2016). However, throughout deglaciation the BSIS underwent several changes in  
115 flow regime, ice dynamics, and reorganisation of ice dome/divide and ice stream locations, as  
116 well as, ice stream flow switching (Polyak et al., 1995; Andreassen et al., 2008; Winsborrow et  
117 al., 2010, 2012; Bjarnadóttir et al., 2014; Patton et al., 2015). Towards the end of the  
118 deglaciation, as the ice sheet thinned, flow became more topographically controlled  
119 (Andreassen et al., 2008; Winsborrow et al., 2010, 2012; Bjarnadóttir et al., 2014; Patton et al.,  
120 2015).

121 The largest Barents Sea palaeo-ice stream was the Bjørnøyrenna Ice Stream, a major outlet of  
122 the BSIS with a catchment area in excess of 350,000 km<sup>2</sup>, which occupied Bjørnøyrenna (fig.  
123 1; Winsborrow et al., 2010; Andreassen et al., 2014; Bjarnadóttir et al., 2014). It is likely that  
124 this ice stream had several tributaries, including the fast flowing ice coming from  
125 Sentralbankrenna, within our study area (fig. 1; Bjarnadóttir et al., 2014). Given the area of

126 Sentralbankrenna (>30,000 km<sup>2</sup>), the behaviour and flow patterns of this tributary likely played  
127 a significant role in controlling ice dynamics and the flow regime of the Bjørnøyrenna Ice  
128 Stream.

129 The glacial imprints left by the Bjørnøyrenna Ice Stream have been extensively studied (e.g.  
130 Vorren and Laberg, 1997; Andreassen et al., 2008; Andreassen and Winsborrow, 2009; Rütther  
131 et al., 2011; Andreassen et al., 2014; Bjarnadóttir et al., 2014; Piasecka et al., 2016), and suggest  
132 dynamic ice margins and rapid, but episodic retreat patterns throughout the trough during  
133 deglaciation since the LGM. Bjarnadóttir et al. (2014) and Newton and Huuse (2017) suggest  
134 a number of former ice margin positions throughout the central Barents Sea (fig. 1) based on  
135 ice marginal features such as grounding zone wedges and retreat ridges. Several meltwater  
136 features are also described in the central Barents Sea, including in Sentralbankrenna and Thor  
137 Iversenbanken (Bjarnadóttir et al., 2017; Newton and Huuse, 2017).

138 Deglaciation in the western part of the Barents Sea initiated by 17.5 cal ka BP (Rütther et al.,  
139 2011). Due to lack of data in the central Barents Sea, there are large uncertainties about the  
140 timing of full deglacial conditions over this region. Hughes et al. (2015) provide estimates (min,  
141 med, max) of ice margin extents, suggesting that the central Barents Sea became ice free  
142 sometime between 16-12 cal ka BP. We suggest that our study area would have been  
143 undergoing deglaciation after 16 cal ka BP, based on ice margin extents of Hughes et al. (2015)  
144 and Winsborrow et al. (2010; fig. 1).

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### 146 **3. Datasets and method**

147 The bathymetric data presented herein was provided by the MAREANO Programme  
148 ([www.mareano.no](http://www.mareano.no)). The original dataset has a horizontal resolution of 5 m, with the multibeam  
149 covering an area of approximately ~17,000 km<sup>2</sup> over Sentralbankrenna and the northwestern  
150 flanks of Thor Iversenbanken (fig. 1). The horizontal grid size was decreased during the  
151 mapping stage to a resolution of 25 m to focus on the larger-scale glacial features. The  
152 bathymetric dataset was used to carry out detailed mapping of the distribution and morphology  
153 of glacial sediments and landforms on the seafloor (fig. 2 A). The landforms were mapped and  
154 visualised using Esri ArcMap v10.1 and QPS Fledermaus. The International Bathymetric Chart  
155 of the Arctic Ocean (IBCAO; version 3.0), with a grid size of 500 m, consisting of several

156 bathymetric datasets of varying resolution (Jakobsson et al., 2012), was used to give a broader  
157 overview of the seafloor bathymetry.

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## 159 **4. Results and interpretation**

160 The key glacial landforms identified in the study area are described and interpreted below (fig.  
161 2 A). The results are then synthesised (fig. 2 B and E), providing new insights into the spatial  
162 and temporal variations of the ice margin and the distribution of fast and slow flowing ice within  
163 the Sentralbankrenna glacial system during the final stages of BSIS deglaciation, as well as the  
164 influence of this glacial system on the wider BSIS.

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### 166 4.1. Sedimentary deposits: Large grounding zone features

#### 167 *4.1.1. Description*

168 The most prominent, large-scale features identified in Sentralbankrenna are nine, trough-  
169 transverse sediment ridges or wedges (fig. 2 A-G; table 1). The southernmost (farthest  
170 downstream) sedimentary deposit 1 (labelled GZW 1 in fig. 2 B) is a large and prominent  
171 wedge-shaped feature at a minimum 295 m water depth and extending across the mouth of  
172 Sentralbankrenna (fig. 2 B and C). It is visible on both the high resolution multibeam and the  
173 IBCAO data (fig. 2 A) and has a height of ~35 m relative to the seafloor downstream of the  
174 feature. Sedimentary deposit 1 has a dome-like shape and a slightly steeper ice-distal,  
175 downstream slope compared its ice-proximal, upstream slope (fig. 2 B and C; table 1). This  
176 sedimentary deposit extends across 100 km of the trough in a NE-SW direction. It has a width  
177 of ~35 km, at the widest point visible in the multibeam dataset; however, measurements taken  
178 using IBCAO suggest that it extends beyond this high resolution dataset, having a width of ~60  
179 km. Bjarnadóttir et al. (2014) discuss multibeam and subsurface data from this area and  
180 conclude that this deposit is a composite landform, consisting of at least four generations of  
181 grounding zone wedges, which have an acoustically transparent internal structure. Overprinting  
182 the ice proximal side of sedimentary deposit 1, are several large elongated linear features  
183 (previously described and interpreted in Bjarnadóttir et al., 2014; cf. section 4.2.; fig. 2 A and  
184 B). At its northern extent there is a deep erosional channel that cuts through the sedimentary  
185 wedge (cf. section 4.3., fig. 2 A and B).

186 Sedimentary deposit 2 (fig. 2 B; GZW 2) joins the first sedimentary deposit on its west but is  
187 orientated in a more NW-SE direction and is not as large as sedimentary deposit 1. Deposit 2 is  
188 less prominent in the bathymetric dataset, mainly due to a heavily scoured surface. With its  
189 crest at a slightly deeper water depth (~305 m) than GZW 1, it extends for ~45 km. It has a  
190 slightly asymmetric wedge-like shape, with an ice distal slope of ~0.20° that is ~10 m high from  
191 the level of the seafloor, downstream of the wedge. At its widest part, sedimentary deposit 2 is  
192 at least ~15 km (fig. 2 D). It lies directly upstream from the deep elongated linear features  
193 overprinting the eastern side of grounding zone deposit 1 (previously described and interpreted  
194 in Bjarnadóttir et al., 2014; cf. section 4.2.; fig. 2 A; GZW 1). In its western part several deep  
195 channel-like features appear to have cut through the upstream part of the deposit (cf. section  
196 4.3), giving this part of the deposit a steeper ice proximal slope, in contrast to the rest of  
197 sedimentary deposit 2 (table 1).

198 Sedimentary deposit 3 (fig. 2 B and E; GZW 3) is located in mid-Sentralbankrenna at a  
199 minimum water depth of ~265 m and, similar to sedimentary deposit 2, has a slightly  
200 asymmetrical wedge-like profile, with a steeper downstream, ice distal slope (table 1). The  
201 surface of the deposit is heavily grooved, having both been overprinted by and overprinting  
202 many curvilinear furrows. The extent of the full deposit is unclear due to this heavy scouring,  
203 however, it seems that it extends for at least ~80 km, with a NW-SE orientation in its western,  
204 more prominent part, and more NE-SW orientation in its eastern part, which extends towards  
205 sedimentary deposit 4. It is ~26 m high and up to ~15 km wide.

206 Adjacent to the eastern-most part of sedimentary deposit 3, is the much smaller yet pronounced  
207 sedimentary deposit 4, which is located at a water depth of ~235 m (fig. 2 E; GZW 4). It is ~14  
208 km long with a height of ~30 m in relation to the seafloor downstream (fig. 2 G; table 1). This  
209 deposit has a W-E orientation and a large quantity of furrows overprint and possibly have  
210 reworked its western side and thus, maybe concealing its full extent (fig. 2 E). Moreover, it has  
211 been heavily overprinted by large elongated parallel linear features on the ice proximal side  
212 (fig. 2 E; cf. section 4.2).

213 Sedimentary deposit 5 is located on the eastern part of Sentralbankrenna and has a distinct  
214 asymmetrical wedge-like shape (figs. 2 E, G and 3 A; GZW 5). Based on its morphology and  
215 seafloor expression the wedge can be divided into eastern and western sections (fig. 3 A). It  
216 extends in a NW-SE direction for ~35 km, and is located in water depths of ~215 m at its eastern  
217 side and ~250 m at its western side. The eastern side of the deposit has a clear asymmetric

218 shape, with a width of ~30 km at its widest point, a height of ~31 m and a steeper ice distal  
219 slope (figs. 2 G, 3 A and B; table 1). The eastern side of this deposit extends slightly north in  
220 the middle of the feature (between the western and eastern side), forming a wedge-shaped ridge  
221 dividing it from its western counterpart (fig. 2 A).

222 The western side of sedimentary deposit 5 is less pronounced than its eastern side and has a  
223 radial, fan-like geometry, with a height of ~10 m, width of ~20 km and a less steep overall  
224 profile (fig. 3 A and C; table 1). A clear break in slope can be traced along the whole of the ice  
225 distal side of this western section of the wedge (indicated by the red arrow in fig. 3 A and C),  
226 perhaps indicating a second wedge-like feature. The extent of the lower wedge is unclear,  
227 although it has a similar overall profile to that which overlies it, with a steep ice distal slope  
228 and a height and width of ~10 m and ~8 km, respectively (figs. 2 E, 3 A and C; table 1). This  
229 western side of sedimentary deposit 5 is located in a deeper part of trough, and the fan-shaped  
230 deposits are heavily overprinted by, and themselves overprint, many semi-parallel curvilinear  
231 furrows (cf. section 4.6). In the middle section of sedimentary deposit 5, between the western  
232 and eastern sides of the deposit, are several smaller fan-shaped deposits. These are greater in  
233 height but smaller than the fan-shaped western margin of deposit 5 (heights ~20 m, widths ~1.5  
234 km; fig. 3 A).

235 North of deposit 5 is a large and prominent sedimentary deposit 6 (figs. 2 E and 3 D; GZW 6).  
236 It is located at a much shallower depth than sedimentary deposits 1-5, with the crest of the  
237 sedimentary deposit at ~190 m water depth. This deposit appears to be well preserved with little  
238 indications of overprinting from other features, except for a small number of elongated linear  
239 features imprinted into its ice proximal slope (cf. section 4.3) and some randomly orientated  
240 furrows on the crest (cf. section 4.6). The wedge extends in an ESE-WNW direction for ~37  
241 km, is ~15 km at its widest point and has a clear asymmetrical shape (fig. 2 G; table 1) with  
242 many lobate features making up its margin (fig. 3 D and E). The extent of the western-most part  
243 of the wedge is a little unclear as it fades into an area dominated by smaller sedimentary ridges  
244 (cf. section 4.4).

245 Sedimentary deposit 7 (fig. 2 E; GZD 7) is to the west of the sedimentary deposit 6, located in  
246 the northwestern part of Sentralbankrenna at a water depth of ~160 m. Unlike the sedimentary  
247 deposits previously described, it is more symmetrical, considerably higher and narrower (table  
248 1), and height of ~50 m in relation to the seafloor downstream. It extends for ~20 km in a W-E



249 direction and is ~4 km at its widest section. In the areas up and downstream of this large  
250 sedimentary deposit there are many small, pronounced sedimentary ridges (cf. section 4.4).

251 Sedimentary deposit 8 (GZD 8; fig. 2 B), on the north-western flanks of Thor Iversenbanken at  
252 a water depth of ~240 m, has similar morphological characteristics to sedimentary deposit 7  
253 (table 1). This deposit is composed of three closely spaced, symmetrical sedimentary deposits,  
254 orientated in a NE-SW direction, which have widths and heights ranging from 200-340 m and  
255 3-11m, respectively. These have been previously described and interpreted by Bjarnadóttir et  
256 al., (2014).

257 On the northern flanks of Thor Iversenbanken, connecting with the mid-section of  
258 Sentralbankrenna, is sedimentary deposit 9 (GZD 9; fig. 2 B and E), which is ~45 km long and  
259 its surface has been heavily scoured by both curvilinear and randomly orientated furrows (fig.  
260 2 B and E). At its widest point (in the northern most part of Thor Iversenbanken), it has a width  
261 of ~8 km and height of ~25 m (table 1), however as it extends into the north-western part of  
262 Thor Iversenbanken, its shape and seafloor expression becomes less pronounced.

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#### 264 *4.1.2. Interpretation*

265 We identified nine large sedimentary deposits (fig. 2 A-G; table 1) and interpret these to indicate  
266 former grounding line positions. Based on their morphology and seafloor expression, two main  
267 types of deposits are identified within the Sentralbankrenna glacial system. The first have clear  
268 wedge-like forms and are interpreted to be grounding zone wedges (GZWs). In contrast, the  
269 second type of deposits are smaller, narrower and lacking a pronounced wedge-like form and  
270 so, while they are interpreted to also represent ice marginal deposits these will be referred to as  
271 grounding zone deposits (GZDs). Of the mapped landforms sedimentary deposits 1-6 are  
272 interpreted to be GZWs and will henceforth be referred to as GZW 1-6 (fig. 2 B and E, table  
273 1). This interpretation is consistent with that of Bjarnadóttir et al. (2014) who previously  
274 interpreted GZW 1-3 in our study. Sedimentary deposits 7-9 are interpreted to be GZD and  
275 will henceforth be referred to as GZD 7-9 (fig. 2 B and E, table 1). We propose that the steep,  
276 narrow GZDs 7, 8 and 9 (fig. 2 E) are large recessional moraines (GZD 8 previously described  
277 and interpreted in Bjarnadóttir et al., 2014). Such landforms typically form at tidewater ice cliffs  
278 through a combination of processes, such as squeeze-push from under the ice mass and the  
279 deformation of the sediment beneath (Powell, 1981; 1991; Powell and Domack, 1995; Powell

280 and Alley, 1997) and are typical for inter-ice stream areas (Kirkbride and Warren, 1997; Ottesen  
281 and Dowdeswell, 2009). There is a noticeable lack of scouring both downstream and upstream  
282 of these features, and it is therefore likely that the ice here was slower moving, with little calving  
283 occurring at the margin.

284 GZWs have been observed and extensively studied in many locations on high-latitude palaeo-  
285 ice stream beds (e.g. Mosola and Anderson, 2006; Ó Cofaigh et al., 2008; Bjarnadóttir et al.,  
286 2013; 2014; Rydningen et al., 2013). These are ice-marginal landforms, formed at the  
287 grounding zone of fast-flowing ice streams (Powell and Domack, 1995; Dowdeswell et al.,  
288 2008) and are suggested to temporarily stabilise the ice stream grounding line to the effects of  
289 sea-level rise (Alley et al., 2007; Anandakrishnan et al., 2007).

290 GZW 1-6 all have similar morphological and acoustic characteristics: slight-to-prominent  
291 asymmetric profiles (steeper ice-distal slopes), a relatively high length-to-height ratio and are  
292 acoustically transparent, which are typical of GZWs (Powell and Domack, 2002; Dowdeswell  
293 and Fugelli, 2012; Batchelor and Dowdeswell, 2015). These wedge-like deposits are formed  
294 through rapid deposition and deformation of subglacial sediment at the ice margin, and its  
295 subsequent redistribution through gravity flow processes (Powell and Alley, 1997; Dowdeswell  
296 and Fugelli, 2012). Their acoustic transparency reflects the unsorted nature of the diamictic  
297 debris being deposited at the grounding zone (Batchelor and Dowdeswell, 2015). The presence  
298 of GZWs in the palaeo-record enables identification of ice margin positions during stillstands  
299 or re-advances (from decades to centuries), and their morphology and relation to other  
300 geomorphological features can provide clues to the overlying ice dynamics and retreat patterns  
301 (e.g. Mosola and Anderson, 2006; Alley et al., 2007; Anandakrishnan et al., 2007; Dowdeswell  
302 et al., 2008; Ó Cofaigh et al., 2008; Dowdeswell and Fugelli, 2012; Livingstone et al., 2012a;  
303 Livingstone et al., 2016a). Thus, the six GZWs in Sentralbankrenna (GZW 1- 6) indicate that  
304 ice streaming within this trough experienced periods of ice break up and rapid retreat,  
305 punctuated by stabilisation during stillstands or readvances.

306 GZW 1 is the largest within this dataset and is composed of four generations of deposition  
307 (Bjarnadóttir et al., 2014). From its position in relation to the rest of the features, we suggest  
308 this to be the oldest ice marginal landform within the dataset, deposited by ice flowing in a  
309 north-west to south-east direction. GZW 2 is not as prominent as the other GZW1-4, perhaps  
310 indicating that the ice margin was stable in this position for a relatively short period, when the  
311 ice stream was undergoing fast retreat and the grounding line only just grounded. Alternatively,

312 it may represent changes in the flux of sediment to the grounding line. The northern sections of  
313 GZW 1 and 2 have been breached by several channels (c.f. section 4.3), indicating that  
314 meltwater was likely to have been present during the formation of these GZW.

315 GZW 3 is heavily scoured and overprinted by curvilinear furrows (fig. 2 B and E, c.f. section  
316 4.6.). To the east, GZW 4 is overprinted by elongated linear features on its ice-proximal side  
317 (fig. 2 E, c.f. section 4.2.), suggesting that this was formed under fast flowing ice (Ó Cofaigh  
318 et al., 2005; Graham et al., 2010), and that the ice was still streaming during or after the final  
319 stages of its formation.

320 The eastern side of GZW 5 (fig. 5A) represents a classic GZW, with an asymmetrical profile  
321 and high length-to-height ratio. We suggest that the grounding line of the Sentralbankrenna Ice  
322 Stream was stable in this area for some time allowing a large and clear GZW to develop. In  
323 contrast, the western part of GZW 5 resembles a large radially shaped fan, with a clear slope  
324 break at its downstream margin. The western side of GZW 5 may represent a large grounding  
325 line fan (fig. 3 A), indicating that this part of the deposit was highly influenced by meltwater,  
326 with sediment deposition either due to subglacial meltwater derived sediment plumes,  
327 subaqueous debris flows, or a combination of the two. This is likely to be a composite feature,  
328 formed and reshaped during two stillstand/readvance events, with the sediment fans having  
329 been deposited by a relatively ice proximal meltwater plume from a subglacial meltwater  
330 conduit ending at the ice margin. In between the western and eastern side of GZW 5 there are  
331 many smaller grounding line fans along its ice distal slope (fig. 5 A). Similar features have been  
332 described as part of GZWs in Kveithola, western Barents Sea (Bjarnadóttir et al., 2013) and in  
333 Storfjordrenna, NW Barents Sea (Shackleton et al., Submitted), and interpreted as intermediate  
334 GZWs, heavily influenced by meltwater activity at the former ice margin. We propose that  
335 GZW 5 also represents such an intermediate GZW. Whilst the eastern and western part of this  
336 sedimentary wedge have been described as part of the same deposit, it is clear that the ice  
337 margin experienced different ice dynamics along its front. It is possible that a large embayment  
338 in the ice margin formed over the western part of GZW 5 due to its position within the deeper  
339 section of the trough, enabling the formation of the GZW radial fan-shaped geometry.

340 Further north, GZW 6 is a large and very prominent feature on the seafloor, with a very clear  
341 terminus on its ice distal side (fig. 3 D). Based on its location, we suggest that this GZW was  
342 formed during the late stages of deglaciation in this trough. This is consistent with interpretation  
343 from Newton and Huuse (2017).

344

## 345 4.2. Linear elongated features: Mega-Scale Glacial Lineations

### 346 4.2.1. Description

347 Within Sentralbankrenna we identify five areas with differing orientations where assemblages  
348 of broadly parallel linear elongated ridge-groove features can be seen on the seafloor (fig. 2 A,  
349 B and E; MSGL 1-5). The first area (MSGL 1; figs. 2 B and 4 A) is located on the ice proximal  
350 side of GZW 1 and is characterised by the largest amplitude ridge-groove features mapped in  
351 Sentralbankrenna. Here the features have a predominant NE-SW orientation, with ridges ~880-  
352 2680 m wide, ~25-42 km long, heights between ~2-3 m, and with elongation ratios  
353 (width:length) ranging from 1:15 to 1:28 (fig. 4 B). The second area (MSGL 2) of pronounced  
354 parallel elongate ridge-groove features is located between GZW 1 and GZW 2, slightly north  
355 of area 1 (figs. 2 B and 4 A), and has been previously described and interpreted by Bjarnadóttir  
356 et al., 2014. These pronounced parallel elongate ridge-groove features extend in an ENE-WSW  
357 direction with an individual length of ~11-14 km, ~350-1200 m wide, 2-8 m high, and  
358 elongation ratios ranging from 1:12 to 1:32 (fig. 4 C). Both the first and second area of elongated  
359 features are located in the deepest part of the study area (area 1 water depth is ~295 m; area 2  
360 water depth is ~320 m).

361 The third area (MSGL 3; figs. 2 E and 4 D) is located in the eastern part of mid-  
362 Sentralbankrenna, where very clear parallel linear ridge-groove features can be observed  
363 overlying and terminating on top of GZW 5 (fig. 4 D). These landforms are orientated in a  
364 NNE-SSW direction and are smaller than those in areas 1 and 2, ~5-10 km long, ~180-530 m  
365 wide, heights ~2-7 m (fig. 4 E), with elongation ratios between 1:12 and 1:53. The fourth area  
366 (MSGL 4; fig. 2 E) is located on the ice proximal slope of GZW 6, in the north-easternmost  
367 part of Sentralbankrenna. Here, large ridge-groove linear features are imprinted onto the  
368 seafloor, with lengths of ~4-8 km, widths of ~240-640 m, heights of ~1-6 m, and elongation  
369 ratios between 1:12 and 1:32. These features are oriented in a NE-SW direction. The fifth area  
370 (MSGL 5; fig. 2 E), is west of the fourth, just south of sedimentary deposit 7, in the northwestern  
371 part of Sentralbankrenna. In this area, the ridge-groove features are oriented in an ENE-WSW  
372 direction, extend ~2.7-3.1 km in length, are ~85-100 m wide, have heights between ~0.4-0.8 m,  
373 and elongation ratios ranging from 1:28 to 1:33. The linear features in the fifth area are  
374 relatively short and cover only a small area, unlike similar features found in other areas. This  
375 area is also surrounded by many small sedimentary ridges (cf. section 4.4).

376

377 *4.2.2. Interpretation*

378 The linear elongated ridge-groove features in areas 1-5 are interpreted to be mega-scale glacial  
379 lineations (MSGLs; henceforth areas 1-5 are now referred to as MSGL 1-5). MSGLs are formed  
380 beneath fast flowing ice (Clark 1993), and have been widely used to identify the location of  
381 palaeo-ice streams in formerly glaciated areas (e.g. Stokes and Clark, 1999; 2001; Graham et  
382 al., 2009).

383 The MSGLs within Sentralbankrenna show different scales and different positions in relation  
384 to other glacial geomorphological features. MSGLs 1 to 4 are all located on the ice-proximal  
385 slope of GZWs, thus indicating that the ice overlying these areas was fast flowing during or  
386 after the deposition of the wedges (Ó Cofaigh et al., 2005; Dowdeswell et al., 2008; Graham et  
387 al., 2010). MSGL 5, located downstream of GZD 7, is considerably smaller than the other  
388 MSGLs, and has a differing orientation in comparison to the ridge features around it (cf. section  
389 4.4). It is possible that MSGL 5 are older features that have been partially buried by younger  
390 sedimentary ridge features.

391 MSGLs 1 are considerably larger than the other MSGLs, both in terms of the area that they  
392 cover and also the amplitude of the features, and are likely related to a period when the  
393 Sentralbankrenna Ice Stream was fast flowing and depositing GZW 1. MSGLs 2 immediately  
394 upstream, have a slightly different orientation, suggesting a switching in ice stream flow  
395 direction within the trough during ice stream retreat from GZW 1 to GZW 2. Subglacial  
396 meltwater, in conjunction with easily deformable sediment (Fowler et al., 2010), may have  
397 played a significant role in enabling the formation of the MSGLs in area 1 and 2. In support of  
398 this, several meltwater channels have been previously identified in the areas adjacent to the  
399 MSGLs (Bjarnadóttir et al., 2012; 2014; 2017; this study, c.f. section 4.3.), indicating that there  
400 was abundant meltwater discharging into this area.

401 The formation of MSGLs 3 and 4 was likely to have occurred simultaneously to the formation  
402 of GZW's 4 and 6, respectively. Meanwhile, the timing of the formation of MSGL 5 and its  
403 relationship with the surrounding landforms remains more uncertain. No further MSGLs within  
404 Sentralbankrenna, or on the ice proximal sides of GZW 2 and 3, were observed during this  
405 study. Rather than reflecting a lack of fast flowing ice in this area, we suggest that MSGLs may

406 have been present but have been subsequently obscured by heavy scouring of the seafloor (fig.  
407 2 A, B and E).

408

#### 409 4.3. Seafloor channels and basins: Meltwater features

##### 410 *4.3.1. Description*

411 Located between GZW 1 and GZW 3 are three areas with channel-like furrows and depressions  
412 on the seafloor (fig. 2 A and B). The first area is located in the northern part of GZW 2, upstream  
413 of GZW 1 (fig. 5 A). Here, several channels were identified, extending on the seafloor for ~7-  
414 20 km in length, with an undulating long profile (fig. 5 B). The channels have varying widths  
415 and depths, 80-155 m and 3-10 m, respectively (fig. 5 B and C). All the mapped channels in  
416 this area are orientated NE-SW and are inter-linked in a large anastomosing system (fig. 5 A),  
417 cutting through the northern part of GZW 2 and GZW 1 (fig. 2 B). These have been described  
418 and interpreted by Bjarnadóttir et al. (2012; 2017).

419 In the western part of Thor Iversenbanken, adjacent and to the east of MSGSLs 1, is a long single  
420 channel (fig. 5 D), oriented SE-NW. This channel extends ~4 km on the seafloor, is ~60 m wide  
421 and 3 m deep (fig. 5 E). There is also an elongated, relatively straight, ridge running parallel to  
422 this channel (fig. 5 D and E), with the same length but with a width and height of ~92 m and  
423 ~2 m, respectively. To the west of this area is a large depression on the seafloor (fig. 2 A), ~3.5  
424 km long, ~1.8 km wide, with a depth of ~40 m.

425 East of MSGSLs 2, in the north-western flanks of Thor Iversenbanken, is a third channel and  
426 basin area (figs. 2 B and 5 F). Here, several channels merge in a dendritic manner downstream  
427 of three depressions, and cut through a number of small sedimentary ridges (c.f. section 4.4),  
428 previously identified by Bjarnadóttir et al. (2012; 2014; 2017). These channels are orientated  
429 SE-NW towards the trough, where they end abruptly, close to the slope break. The main channel  
430 in this area is ~310 m wide, ~32 m deep and ~50 km long (fig. 5 G and H). The northern-most  
431 channel in the basin area splits into two, with one channel connecting to the depressions from  
432 the northeast, subsequently feeding into the main channel and the other, a single meandering  
433 channel, extending ~40 km, ~150 m wide, and ~7 m deep (fig. 5 I) towards the trough. The  
434 depressions on the seafloor are situated upstream of the main channel and are relatively shallow,  
435 < 20 m deep, with basin-like shapes and lengths/widths ranging from, 2.3-4 km and 1-1.5 km,  
436 respectively.

437

#### 438 *4.3.2. Interpretation*

439 The meltwater channel network north of GZW 2 (fig. 5 A) is interpreted to be an extensive  
440 system of tunnel valleys, which have been previously described by Bjarnadóttir et al. (2012;  
441 2017). These features are erosionally formed by subglacial meltwater at the base of the ice sheet  
442 (Ó Cofaigh, 1996; Kehew et al 2012; Greenwood et al 2016). The channels have breached  
443 GZWs 1 and 2 (fig. 2 B), indicating that they may have been formed gradually over time and  
444 have been active during the build-up of both GZWs 1 and 2.

445 The smaller channel on the western flanks of Thor Iversenbanken (fig. 5 D) is interpreted to  
446 have formed subglacially under a channelised meltwater regime and the elongated ridge running  
447 parallel to it is interpreted as an esker. It is possible that this esker may have formed during a  
448 period when the ice was slower moving in this area or possibly even close to the ice margin,  
449 during which the meltwater conduits remained stable for sufficient time for esker to form.  
450 Similar formation processes have been suggested for the formation of eskers observed in  
451 Canada (Storrar et al., 2014). We suggest that the large depression west of this channel and  
452 esker (fig. 2 A) may have served as a subglacial basin once hosting a subglacial lake, however,  
453 further subsurface and empirical data is required to verify this.

454 East of MSGL 2 a series of arborescent channels form a dendritic hydraulic network  
455 downstream of three basins. These channels have been previously described and interpreted by  
456 Bjarnadóttir et al., (2012; 2017) and Newton and Huuse (2017) to be tunnel valleys formed  
457 gradually over time and to have been active close to the ice margin. The main channel has an  
458 undulating long profile (fig. 5 G), with a shallowing at the mouth of the channel, indicating that  
459 there must have been significant pressure from overlying ice to cause subglacial water to be  
460 driven uphill. The channel ends abruptly when it enters the trough, either indicating the channel  
461 ending at the margin, or suggesting a possible boundary, or shear margin, between the slower  
462 inter-ice stream ice on Thor Iversenbanken and the streaming ice of the Sentralbankrenna Ice  
463 Stream (c.f. section 5.1.2.).

464 The basins upstream of the dendritic channel network are inferred to have hosted palaeo-  
465 subglacial lakes, based on their geomorphic properties (e.g. as described in Livingstone et al.,  
466 2012b) and the presence of channels leading into and out of the basins, as well as evidence of  
467 channels cutting through some of the basins. We suggest that these lakes would have discharged

468 a large amount of meltwater into the channels and may have undergone several periods of  
469 drainage and infilling, similar to those identified in Antarctica (Fricker and Scambos, 2009) and  
470 Greenland (Palmer et al., 2013). Similar palaeo-subglacial lakes have been described elsewhere,  
471 for example in Canada, by Christoffersen et al. (2008) and Livingstone et al. (2016b). While  
472 these channels and basins are not located at the onset zone of the ice stream, we propose that  
473 the presence of these channel areas at the sides of the trough may have played a significant role  
474 for the development of MSGs and/or in the facilitation of ice streaming in the trough (e.g.  
475 King et al., 2009; Fowler et al., 2010), providing a mechanism for rapid discharge of meltwater  
476 into the trough. Running perpendicular to the channels in this area are several sedimentary  
477 ridges (cf. section 4.4; Bjarnadóttir et al., 2014), which have been breached at several points,  
478 suggesting that the channels in this area were active during a period of ice retreat in this area.  
479 Furthermore, Bjarnadóttir et al. (2012; 2017) suggested that the tunnel valleys in this basin and  
480 channel area (fig. 5 F) may have undergone several outburst floods, which we suggest may have  
481 been promoted by the presence of the palaeo-subglacial basins further upstream.

482 Meltwater plays an important role in ice sheet and ice stream dynamics, facilitating fast ice flow  
483 for overlying ice (Hulbe and Fahnestock, 2004; Bell, 2008; Greenwood et al., 2016). The  
484 channels observed in Sentralbankrenna and on Thor Iversenbanken must have formed  
485 subglacially since the ice stream had a marine margin.

486

#### 487 4.4. Sedimentary ridges: Retreat ridges

##### 488 4.4.1. Description

489 Within the bathymetric dataset there are four distinct areas with small sedimentary ridges;  
490 linear, parallel features, with a symmetrical shape. The first area is located in the channel and  
491 basin area, east of GZW 2, where four large ridges are clearly visible running perpendicular to  
492 the channels (fig. 5 F; Bjarnadóttir et al., 2014), with widths ranging from 400-600 m and  
493 heights between 8-17 m, they have a regular spacing between 1-3 km (Bjarnadóttir et al., 2014;  
494 2017). Between these larger ridges, there are many slightly smaller ridges, with widths and  
495 heights ranging from 110-240 m and 3-14 m, respectively, as well as a regular spacing of 150-  
496 350 m (fig. 5 J). The sedimentary ridges in this area occur 1-3 km upstream from a visible slope  
497 break between Thor Iversenbanken and Sentralbankrenna, and at a water depth ranging between  
498 260-300 m.



499 The second area with several small sedimentary ridges is located in the northern-most flanks of  
500 Thor Iversenbanken, to the east of grounding zone deposit 9 (fig. 2 A and E) in water depths  
501 ranging from 220-235m. Short and narrow ridges were also identified with a more north-south  
502 orientation, with widths and heights ranging from 84-405 m and 4-12 m, respectively.

503 To the west of GZW 5, downstream of GZD 7, is sedimentary ridge area three, where there are  
504 several ridges with an approximately W-E orientation, widths ranging from 95-155 m and  
505 heights of 3.5-6 m, in water depths ranging from 245-270 m (fig. 6 A and B). North of this area,  
506 both up- and down-stream of the GZD 7 is sedimentary ridges area four, which, in comparison  
507 to the other areas, is located at a much shallower water depth between 180-230 m (fig. 2 E).  
508 Here, many sedimentary ridges are observed with an approximate NE-SW direction, widths of  
509 100-185 m and heights of 3.5-8 m.

510

#### 511 *4.4.2. Interpretation*

512 The small, linear, semi-parallel sedimentary ridges identified in the study area have a semi-  
513 regular spacing, and are interpreted to be retreat ridges. These features are indicative of  
514 stabilisation of the ice margin during overall retreat (Ottesen and Dowdeswell, 2006). The  
515 retreat ridges on Thor Iversenbanken are likely to have been formed by slow ice flowing from  
516 the east, over Thor Iversenbanken. Those in the upper parts of Sentralbankrenna are more likely  
517 to have been formed by ice flowing from Sentralbanken. The four larger retreat ridges in the  
518 channel and basin area on Thor Iversenbanken, have previously been interpreted as recessional  
519 moraines, indicative of a longer margin stillstand (Bjarnadóttir et al., 2014). Based on their  
520 geomorphic characteristics and setting we find it likely that the smaller ridges in this area also  
521 represent recessional moraines or smaller push moraines, although without subsurface data,  
522 their origin cannot be confirmed.

523

### 524 4.5. Short, flat imprints with sedimentary berms: Ice-fingerprints

#### 525 *4.5.1. Description*

526 Along the north-western margin of Sentralbankrenna two areas have been mapped, to the west  
527 of GZW 5 (fig. 6 C) and upstream of GZD 7 (fig. 2 A and E), where the seafloor is characterised  
528 by elongate, semi-parallel, flat bottomed features that have lengths and widths ranging from

529 150-2500 m and 180-700 m, respectively. Many of these features terminate in long crescentic,  
530 asymmetric shaped berms, with heights between 1-6 m and widths of 100-450 m (fig. 6 C and  
531 D). These features appear downstream of the mapped retreat ridges (cf. section 4.4) as short  
532 and wide imprints, which overprint longer and narrower imprints that in some locations merge  
533 or turn into with curvilinear furrows without berms (cf. section 4.6; fig. 6 C).

534

#### 535 *4.5.2. Interpretation*

536 These semi-parallel, flat-bottomed features with sedimentary berms on their downstream end  
537 are interpreted to be ice fingerprints, glacial features formed beneath an ice margin experiencing  
538 transverse extensional flow (Bjarnadóttir et al., 2014). The geomorphological sequence we  
539 observe in this area is as follows, 1) retreat ridges, 2) ice fingerprints, 3) furrows (in a distal to  
540 proximal order). This is similar to that observed in other locations within the Barents Sea  
541 (Bjarnadóttir et al., 2014) and in Iceland (Geirsdóttir et al., 2008). We suggest that these ice  
542 fingerprints may have been formed by an advancing ice cliff margin or icebergs characterised  
543 by fingers or sliver of ice, possibly during a period of extensive pervasive sea ice, which  
544 provided the buttressing needed for the ice margin to not break up directly into icebergs. Such  
545 a mechanism has been proposed for the formation of ice fingers in Iceland (Geirsdóttir et al.,  
546 2008).

547

### 548 4.6. Linear and curvilinear furrows: Iceberg ploughmarks

#### 549 *4.6.1. Description*

550 The seafloor throughout much of Sentralbankrenna and the shallower bank areas is heavily  
551 scoured with many furrows of varying shapes and sizes (figs. 2 A, B, E and 7 A). On the  
552 shallower parts of Thor Iversenbanken and Sentralbanken, as well as on top of most of the large  
553 sedimentary deposits, there are several relatively narrow, randomly orientated curvilinear  
554 furrows, with a V-shaped cross-profile (fig. 7 B). Their widths range from ~65-210 m and their  
555 depths from ~0.5-10 m. Downstream of GZW 1 are several uniform, relatively narrow U-  
556 shaped furrows, with widths extending 70-125 m, depths between 0.75-6 m, and orientated  
557 ESE-WNW. Between GZW 1 and GZW 2 the furrows are less common, with fewer features  
558 mapped.

559 In mid- to upper-Sentralbankrenna, between GZW 2 and GZW 5 there are many semi-parallel  
560 curvilinear furrows orientated parallel to the troughs long-axis (fig. 2 A, B and E), many of the  
561 furrows between GZW 3 and GZW 5 display one of two distinct orientations (fig 7 A). The  
562 dominant orientation for the furrows in this area is NE-SW parallel to the trough long-axis,  
563 however, coming from Sentralbanken downstream of the retreat ridges and ice fingerprints to  
564 the west of GZW 5, there are several furrows orientated in a NW-SE direction. Both these sets  
565 converge in the mid-section of Sentralbankrenna at a water depth of 260-290 m (fig. 7 A),  
566 before following the dominant NE-SW orientation in a more uniform manner. Widths and  
567 heights of these furrows vary from 100-1500 m and 1-8 m, respectively (fig. 7 B). A clear  
568 downstream termination of furrows is, in most cases, not observed in the study area. Within  
569 some of the furrows in upper Sentralbankrenna, in particular those downstream of and  
570 overprinting GZW 5 (figs. 2 E), are several relatively regularly spaced (140-170 m), small  
571 sedimentary ridges that appear roughly perpendicular to the furrow length orientation, and have  
572 heights ranging from 0.5-2 m and widths from 150-300 m.

573

#### 574 *4.6.2. Interpretation*

575 We interpret the furrows observed within the dataset to be iceberg ploughmarks, formed by the  
576 scouring of seafloor sediments by grounded iceberg keels. Such features have been documented  
577 extensively across formerly glaciated continental margins (e.g. Barnes and Lien, 1988; Kuijpers  
578 et al., 2007; Dowdeswell et al., 2010; Andreassen et al., 2014; Bjarnadóttir et al 2014;  
579 Dowdeswell and Hogan, 2014), and can be used to infer the proximity to the ice margin, with  
580 the assumption that more uniform scours suggest ice proximal icebergs and those randomly  
581 orientated indicative of ice distal icebergs whose path is dictated by the wind or ocean currents  
582 (Smith and Banke, 1983). Alternatively, it is possible that larger icebergs may be less sensitive  
583 to wind or ocean currents than smaller icebergs.

584 There are fewer iceberg scours between GZW 1 and GZW 2, than within the rest of upper  
585 Sentralbankrenna, possibly due to a deepening of the trough meaning that the calved icebergs  
586 keels did not reach the seafloor, or otherwise due to surface sediment cover in this area burying  
587 all but the deepest ploughmarks. The uniform ploughmarks visible on the seafloor between  
588 GZW 3 and GZW 5 (fig. 7 A) show two main source directions. Less dominant ploughmarks  
589 come from Sentralbanken in a NW-SE orientation and more dominant ploughmarks orientated  
590 N-S following the axis of Sentralbankrenna. It is possible that the ploughmarks between GZW

591 3 and GZW 5 may be obscuring older features, although this cannot be confirmed with the data  
592 currently available. We propose that the ice margin at GZW 5 may have been highly dynamic  
593 with a high calving rate based on the large quantity of ploughmarks downstream of the GZW;  
594 or alternatively that there was a rapid break-up of the ice margin when it was at GZW 3, and  
595 subsequent retreat from GZW 3 to GZW 5.

596 Within several of the furrows, in particular those present downstream and on top of GZW 5,  
597 are many short and linear ridges that run perpendicular to the scour marks (fig. 7 A). We  
598 interpret these to be corrugation ridges. Corrugation ridges have been identified in both palaeo-  
599 and contemporary environments (Solheim and Pfirman, 1985; Jakobsson, 2011; Graham et al.,  
600 2013; Andreassen et al., 2014). We infer that these features were formed by icebergs trapped in  
601 a dense ice matrix, where their keels squeezed the seafloor sediment into small ridges under a  
602 tidal regime (Jakobsson et al, 2011).

603

## 604 5. Discussion

### 605 5.1. The Sentralbankrenna glacial system

606 A complex assemblage of glacial landforms was mapped in the study area, composing of  
607 multiple grounding zone deposits, MSGs, meltwater features and retreat ridges. Based on this  
608 geomorphological record we propose that the Sentralbankrenna glacial system experienced  
609 several retreats and/or readvances, each marked by a GZW or GZD, during the period of overall  
610 deglaciation since the LGM. The glacial system comprised of the fast flowing  
611 Sentralbankrenna Ice Stream and slower moving inter-ice stream ice masses located over  
612 northern Sentralbanken and northern Thor Iversenbanken (fig. 8A). In the southern part of  
613 Sentralbankrenna there are a number of meltwater features, suggesting that subglacial  
614 meltwater was abundant in this area and that basal hydrology may have played a key role in  
615 determining the location of ice streaming by facilitating lubrication of the ice stream bed.

616 In the following sections, we present a 6-stage reconstruction of the deglaciation of the  
617 Sentralbankrenna glacial system. Due to the poorly constrained chronology from the central  
618 Barents Sea, we are only able to provide a relative chronology for stages 2 – 6, however it seems  
619 plausible that the trough was deglaciated sometime after 16 cal ka BP (fig. 1; Winsborrow et  
620 al., 2010; Hughes et al., 2015).

621

622 *5.1.1. Stage 1 – LGM and early deglaciation*

623 Stage 1 relates to the LGM and early deglaciation, during which the BSIS was at its maximum  
624 extent, reaching the shelf break. Several ice streams were active during this period (fig. 8 A);  
625 the largest of these was the Bjørnøyrenna Ice Stream, which had tributaries of fast flowing ice  
626 coming from Storbankrenna and Sentralbankrenna (fig. 8 A; Bjarnadóttir et al., 2014). During  
627 maximum glacial conditions the Bjørnøyrenna Ice Stream was not topographically controlled,  
628 as evidenced by the identification of east-west oriented MSGs in central Bjørnøyrenna  
629 (Piasecka et al., 2016) and supported by numerical modelling (Patton et al., 2016). The BSIS  
630 was a multi-domed ice sheet, with a potential source for Sentralbankrenna being the ice dome  
631 likely located over Storbanken, in the northern Barents Sea, and extending over Sentralbanken  
632 towards the south-eastern Barents Sea (fig. 8 A; Patton et al., 2015; Piasecka et al., 2016).

633

634 *5.1.2. Stage 2 – Post LGM*

635 Stage 2 relates to an ice margin position associated with the deposition of GZW 1 (fig. 8 B).  
636 During, or prior to, this stage Sentralbankrenna Ice Stream and Bjørnøyrenna Ice Stream  
637 became separated by an inter-ice stream area overlying Sentralbanken, thus significantly  
638 reducing the catchment area for Bjørnøyrenna Ice Stream. This separation was likely associated  
639 with a northwesterly shift in source area for the Bjørnøyrenna Ice Stream (Andreassen et al.,  
640 2014), potentially coinciding with an ice dome that has been suggested over Hinlopenstretet  
641 (Dowdeswell et al., 2010; fig. 1), with the Sentralbankrenna Ice Stream likely still fed by an ice  
642 divide located over Storbanken.

643 During this stage, the Sentralbankrenna Ice Stream flowed in an ENE-WSW direction, with its  
644 ice margin marked by GZW 1 (figs. 1 and 8 B). Based on subsurface data, GZW 1 from this  
645 study is a composite feature formed by four generations of GZW, indicating that this margin  
646 may have been relatively stable during its initial retreat stage (Bjarnadóttir et al., 2014). Fast  
647 flowing ice occupied the whole trough and continued even during the last phases of GZW  
648 development, as evidenced by large MSGs 1 and 2 (fig. 4 A) on the ice proximal side of the  
649 wedge. On the adjacent shallower area of Thor Iversenbanken the geomorphology indicates the  
650 presence of slower flowing, less active ice, coming from the southeast Barents Sea. A large

651 shear margin likely existed at the boundary between these two ice masses and this is marked by  
652 a clear slope break and abrupt end to the channels east of MSGLs 2 (fig. 8 A).

653 Meltwater coming from the channels and subglacial basins in southern Sentralbankrenna may  
654 have contributed to the location and dynamics of the Sentralbankrenna Ice Stream (fig. 8 B).  
655 The subglacial basins east of MSGL 2 are likely to have been active, connected and undergoing  
656 periods of rapid discharge and infilling, possibly on a seasonal timescale, similar to subglacial  
657 lakes in Greenland (Palmer et al., 2013) and in Antarctica (Fricker and Scambos, 2009; Smith  
658 et al., 2009). MSGL 1 are significantly larger than MSGL 2 (fig. 4 A) indicating that they may  
659 have been formed during the peak period of GZW 1 deposition, whereas MSGL 2 may have  
660 been formed as a product of ice stream flow switching. This could occur due to changes in water  
661 supply to the trough, or during the final stage of GZW 1 deposition prior to rapid margin  
662 breakdown and retreat back to GZW 2. Alternatively, MSGL 1 and 2 may represent a single ice  
663 stream event, where the ice stream has a more arcuate shape and MSGL 1 was positioned closer  
664 to the centre of the ice stream, where ice flow would have been faster.

665

### 666 *5.1.3. Stage 3*

667 The retreat from GZW 1 to GZW 2 was likely to have been relatively fast, prior to the ice  
668 margin stabilising and coming to another stillstand and marking the initiation of stage 3 (fig. 8  
669 C). Tunnel valleys near the northern extent of GZW 2 have eroded through the deposit,  
670 indicating that these channels must have been active during the formation of the sedimentary  
671 deposit and that meltwater continued to play a significant role in the facilitation of ice  
672 streaming, contributing to the lubrication of the ice bed in the trough upstream of this margin.

673 During this stage, the channel areas on Thor Iversenbanken are unlikely to have contributed to  
674 the facilitation of fast flow of the Sentralbankrenna Ice Stream, however, they will have still  
675 played a role in the ice dynamics of the overlying Thor Iversenbanken inter-ice stream ice. It is  
676 unclear where the ice margin on Thor Iversenbanken was during this stage. However, based on  
677 the retreat ridges and recessional moraines identified in the channel and basin area we suggest  
678 periodic stillstands during the retreat across Thor Iversenbanken, and that the ice margin here  
679 may have been more of an ice cliff, in contrast to the ice margins forming GZW 2. Furthermore,  
680 we suggest that the subglacial basins would have continued to be active during this time,

681 undergoing periods of infilling and rapid discharge, however, probably at a much slower  
682 discharge rate than during stage 2.

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#### 684 *5.1.4. Stage 4*

685 Sentralbankrenna Ice Stream may not have been stable at GZW 2 for a significant amount of  
686 time before it retreated back to GZW 3, based on its less prominent morphology. The location  
687 of GZW 3 marks the start of stage 4 (fig. 8 D). GZW 3 extends across the trough and is not  
688 particularly prominent due to being heavily scoured and overprinted. Based on the eastern  
689 extent of GZW 3, which extends almost to GZW 4, it is likely that it was formed during the  
690 time when the Sentralbankrenna Ice Stream began to split away from the slower moving inter-  
691 ice stream ice over Thor Iversenbanken and deposited GZW 9 (fig. 2 E). Due to the large amount  
692 of scourmarks on the seafloor it is difficult to determine the ice flow direction for the deposition  
693 of GZW 3. This makes it unclear whether: 1) ice came from the Sentralbankrenna ice stream  
694 orientated ENE-WSW; or 2) the ice dynamics in the northeastern Sentralbanken, an area  
695 previously inferred to be occupied by slower moving ice (Bjarnadóttir et al., 2014), underwent  
696 a change in regime, from a slow-to-more active ice mass, thus causing it to rapidly readvance  
697 in a NW-SE direction and almost reach the ice on Thor Iversenbanken (fig. 8 D). However,  
698 based on the sequence of 1) retreat ridges, 2) ice fingerprints and 3) ploughmarks, as well as  
699 the general positioning of GZW 3, we infer that this GZW was likely formed by ice flowing  
700 from Sentralbanken, which may have buried and eroded older features (i.e. the possible  
701 continuation of ice margin towards GZW 4). The sudden change in ice dynamics within the  
702 inter-ice stream ice over Sentralbanken may be due to loss of buttressing from the  
703 Sentralbankrenna Ice Stream, which by this stage could have retreated back to GZW 4 or even  
704 GZW 5. Should this be the case, then we speculate that the ice from Sentralbanken had a  
705 relatively fast readvance into the trough prior to retreating back to shallower ground, where the  
706 ice margin stabilised and formed several retreat ridges at its front. Prior to its stabilisation, the  
707 ice front may have experienced high calving rates and during periods of pervasive sea-ice,  
708 sections of the ice front were able to extend forming ice-fingerprints before calving.

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#### 710 *5.1.5. Stage 5*

711 Stage 5 (fig. 8 E) relates to the deposition of GZW 5 by the Sentralbankrenna Ice Stream and  
712 to the retreat ridges seen in upper Sentralbankrenna downstream of GZD 7 deposited by inter-  
713 ice stream ice coming from northern Sentralbanken. There are clear uncertainties in regards to  
714 the overall ice margin position and extent in the trough during this stage. We suggest that ice  
715 coming from the northern part of Sentralbanken, in the inferred inter-ice stream bank area, may  
716 have had an ice cliff margin, been relatively stable and experiencing a slow retreat, based on  
717 the deposition of the small retreat ridges and then the larger recessional moraine (GZD 7; Figs.  
718 2 E and 8 E).

719 GZW 5 is suggested to be an intermediate GZW as defined by Bjarnadóttir et al. (2013) and  
720 Shackleton et al. (submitted). With a highly dynamic ice margin, this GZW will have been  
721 deposited under different levels of margin stability across the ice front, with a distinct difference  
722 between the west and eastern section. Differing water depths and the presence/lack of subglacial  
723 meltwater may have led to the distinct character of deposits within these two areas.

724 GZW 5 clearly displays different morphologies from the east to the west, with the shallower  
725 eastern extent having a more characteristic symmetric wedge like shape most likely formed  
726 through a line source deposition and based on its size and morphology may have been stable  
727 for a long period or had considerable and/or rapid sediment deposition. Whereas the western  
728 extent of GZW 5, displays a radial fan-like shape located in the deeper part of the trough, formed  
729 by point source deposition, such as from a subglacial meltwater conduit. This western extent  
730 may have experienced periods of stability enabling the formation of such large ice proximal  
731 fans.

732 While it is clear that subglacial meltwater played a significant role in the formation of these  
733 fans, little indication for meltwater was observed in this area. However, since the western extent  
734 of GZW 5 was located in a deeper section of the trough, it is possible that this section of the ice  
735 margin had higher calving rates due to increased marginal buoyancy (e.g. processes suggested  
736 by Pelto and Warren, 1991; Benn et al., 2007), as supported by the dense area of iceberg  
737 ploughmarks downstream of this area (fig. 7 A). This area of the ice margin, in contrast to the  
738 shallower areas adjacent, will therefore have had ice funnelled into it, providing a low-pressure  
739 pathway for meltwater. Thus, the ice margin over the western part of GZW 5 is likely to have  
740 been extremely sensitive to oceanographic changes (i.e. sea temperature and sea-level), since it  
741 was located in the deeper section of the trough and thus, may have been the first area to have  
742 responded to environmental changes during this stage, forming a large embayment.



743 Overprinting the eastern side of GZW 5 are several large semi-linear iceberg ploughmarks  
744 containing corrugation ridges. It is unclear whether the formation of these relates to an ice  
745 margin break-up due to floatation caused by the infiltration and undercutting of warmer ocean  
746 waters and/or to sea level rise into a subglacial margin cavity, or whether these ploughmarks  
747 relate to a highly dynamic calving margin when the ice front was located at GZW 6 (c.f. section  
748 5.1.6). In the case of the latter, large deep-keeled icebergs may have become stuck on the  
749 shallower GZW 5 crest, possibly in conditions of pervasive sea ice, and been influenced by  
750 tidal motion, forming the corrugation ridges through similar processes to that which are  
751 suggested for similar observations in Greenland fjords (Amundson et al., 2010), on the northern  
752 Svalbard shelf (Dowdeswell and Hogan, 2014) and in West Antarctica (Jakobsson et al, 2011;  
753 Graham et al. 2013).

754 It is uncertain whether the ice margin over GZW 5 and the ice margin over the retreat ridges  
755 downstream of GZD 7 were coeval. Although, we have inferred based on the direction and  
756 density of iceberg ploughmarks downstream of GZW 5 that the ice margin may have extended  
757 across the trough, with the ice front over the western part of GZW 5, having formed an active  
758 calving bay (fig. 8 E).

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#### 760 *5.1.6. Stage 6 – final retreat phase*

761 Stage 6 is the final retreat phase in this reconstruction and relates to the northern-most mapped  
762 GZW 6 and GZD 7 (fig. 8 F), which may have been active at the same time. During this stage,  
763 the inter-ice stream ice was likely to have had a longer stillstand, enabling it to deposit a large  
764 recessional moraine (GZD 7; Fig. 2 E). The narrow and high symmetric morphology of this  
765 deposit indicates the possibility of an ice cliff as the ice margin, which underwent very little  
766 calving, hence the clear preservation of the features downstream of this deposit. During a later  
767 phase of deglaciation, this margin may have continued to retreat and migrate towards the  
768 shallower bank areas, where it once again stabilised and began to exhibit slow retreat and  
769 deposit retreat ridges.

770 GZW 6 is a very good example of a classic GZW (e.g. Dowdeswell and Fugelli, 2012; Batchelor  
771 and Dowdeswell, 2015), with a dense area of MSGs overprinting the ice proximal side of the  
772 GZW, indicating that ice was very active and streaming until the final stages of the GZW  
773 formation. Based on the asymmetric shape and large size of GZW 6, as well as the positioning

774 of MSGL 4, we infer that this was formed by rapid deposition of sediment when the  
775 Sentralbankrenna Ice Stream was undergoing a final advance/retreat cycle. It is likely that the  
776 Sentralbankrenna Ice Stream continued to be fed by the ice divide over Storbanken.

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## 778 5.2. Influence of the Sentralbankrenna glacial system on the BSIS

779 The glacial fluctuations occurring within Sentralbankrenna would have significantly  
780 contributed to the overall dynamics of the BSIS, based on the large size ( $>30,000 \text{ km}^2$ ) and  
781 critical location within the central part of the former ice sheet. During the initial phase of  
782 deglaciation following the LGM, Sentralbankrenna Ice Stream acted as a tributary to the  
783 adjacent Bjørnøyrenna Ice Stream, and therefore likely had a strong influence on its behaviour  
784 (fig. 8A). However, this influence lessened as deglaciation continued into its later phases and  
785 we suggest that the two ice streams were separated by non-streaming ice located over  
786 Sentralbanken (fig. 8B), thus significantly reducing the catchment area for the Bjørnøyrenna  
787 Ice Stream.

788 Following the identification of several large grounding zone deposits, studies have suggested  
789 that the Bjørnøyrenna Ice Stream experienced episodic retreat (Andreassen et al., 2008;  
790 Winsborrow et al., 2010; Bjarnadóttir et al., 2014). Similarly, during the later phases of  
791 deglaciation in the central Barents Sea, when the ice was more topographically controlled,  
792 Sentralbankrenna Ice Stream underwent a step-wise, episodic retreat as inferred from the  
793 landform assemblages of large GZW in combination with MSGLs (fig. 8 B-F). This pattern of  
794 rapid ice break-up punctuated by short stillstands or readvances is consistent with a general  
795 model for marine ice stream retreat proposed by Ó Cofaigh et al. (2008) and Dowdeswell et al.  
796 (2008).

797 In the adjacent bank areas, Sentralbanken and Thor Iversenbanken, the landform assemblage  
798 observed is that of slower, non-streaming, inter-ice stream ice. The features observed in these  
799 areas are similar to those identified in other high latitude palaeo-inter-ice stream areas, such as  
800 in the northwestern Svalbard (Ottesen and Dowdeswell, 2009) and eastern Amundsen Sea  
801 Embayment (Klages et al., 2013). Bjarnadóttir et al. (2014) proposed the presence of a smaller,  
802 local ice dome located over north Sentralbanken and based on the geomorphology in our study  
803 area, we suggest that the ice flow direction is consistent with a persistent mass of ice over  
804 Sentralbanken.

805 The presence of meltwater features, such as tunnel valleys and subglacial basins, indicates that  
806 there must have been an extensive and active subglacial hydrological system, which strongly  
807 influenced the dynamics of the overlying ice by: 1) facilitating ice streaming through lubrication  
808 of the bed; and 2) promoting dynamic ice margin conditions (i.e. formation of western part of  
809 GZW 5). The presence of several large subglacial meltwater systems associated with high levels  
810 of meltwater discharge, such as the tunnel valleys, in combination with highly dynamic calving  
811 margins in the upper Sentralbankrenna, suggest that the ice was still dynamically active and  
812 warm based.

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## 814 6. Conclusions

815 Unlike the western Barents Sea which has been extensively investigated, the central Barents  
816 Sea remains scarcely studied. Observations and insights gained in this study have contributed  
817 to the overall knowledge of the BSIS deglaciation, particularly during the later stages. Analysis  
818 of a new high resolution bathymetric dataset, presented in this study, revealed glacial landform  
819 assemblages related to both the former Sentralbankrenna Ice Stream and the inter-ice stream  
820 areas in the adjacent banks, Sentralbanken and Thor Iversenbanken, in the central Barents Sea.  
821 Several large GZWs and MSGs, as well as many smaller grounding zone deposits and  
822 meltwater associated features were observed, forming the basis for a 6-stage reconstruction of  
823 the deglaciation since the LGM (fig. 8 A-F).

824 While Sentralbankrenna Ice Stream underwent episodic retreat, with periods of rapid ice break  
825 up punctuated by margin stillstands or short readvances, the bank areas underwent much slower  
826 retreat rates, allowing numerous retreat ridges and recessional moraines to be formed. Further,  
827 the observed glacial meltwater features (tunnel valleys and subglacial basins) suggest that  
828 subglacial meltwater was abundant in this central part of the former ice sheet. The activity of  
829 subglacial water is likely to have greatly influenced the dynamics of overlying ice, and we  
830 suggest that periodical fill/release of water from subglacial lakes might have facilitated fast  
831 flow both for the Sentralbankrenna and Bjørnøyrenna Ice Stream.

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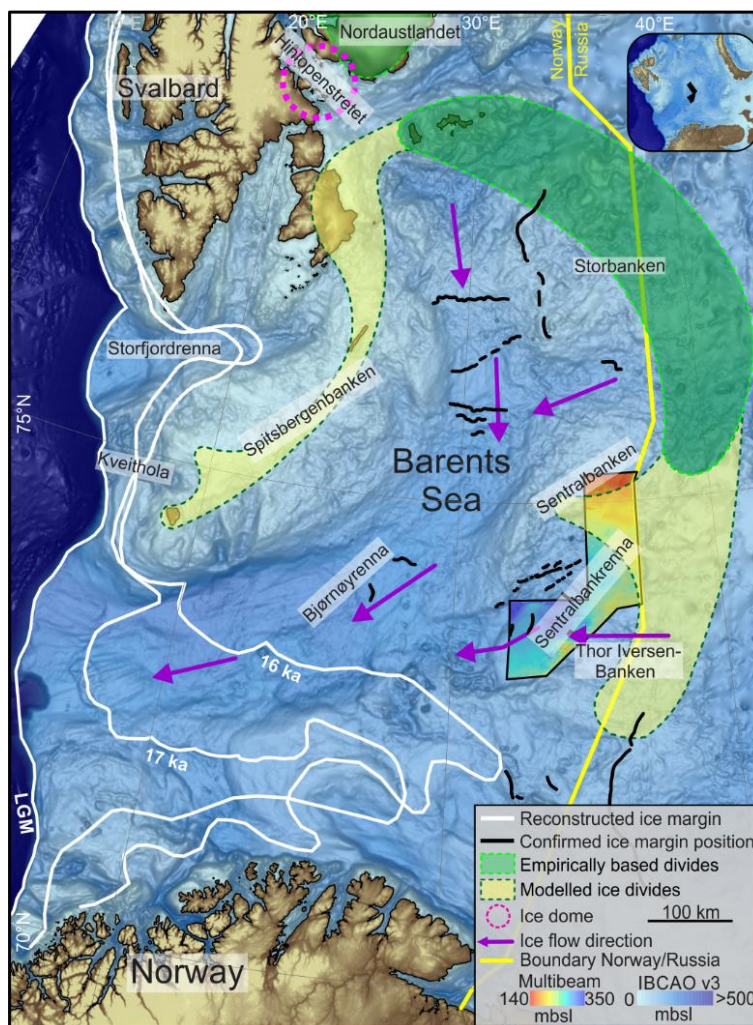
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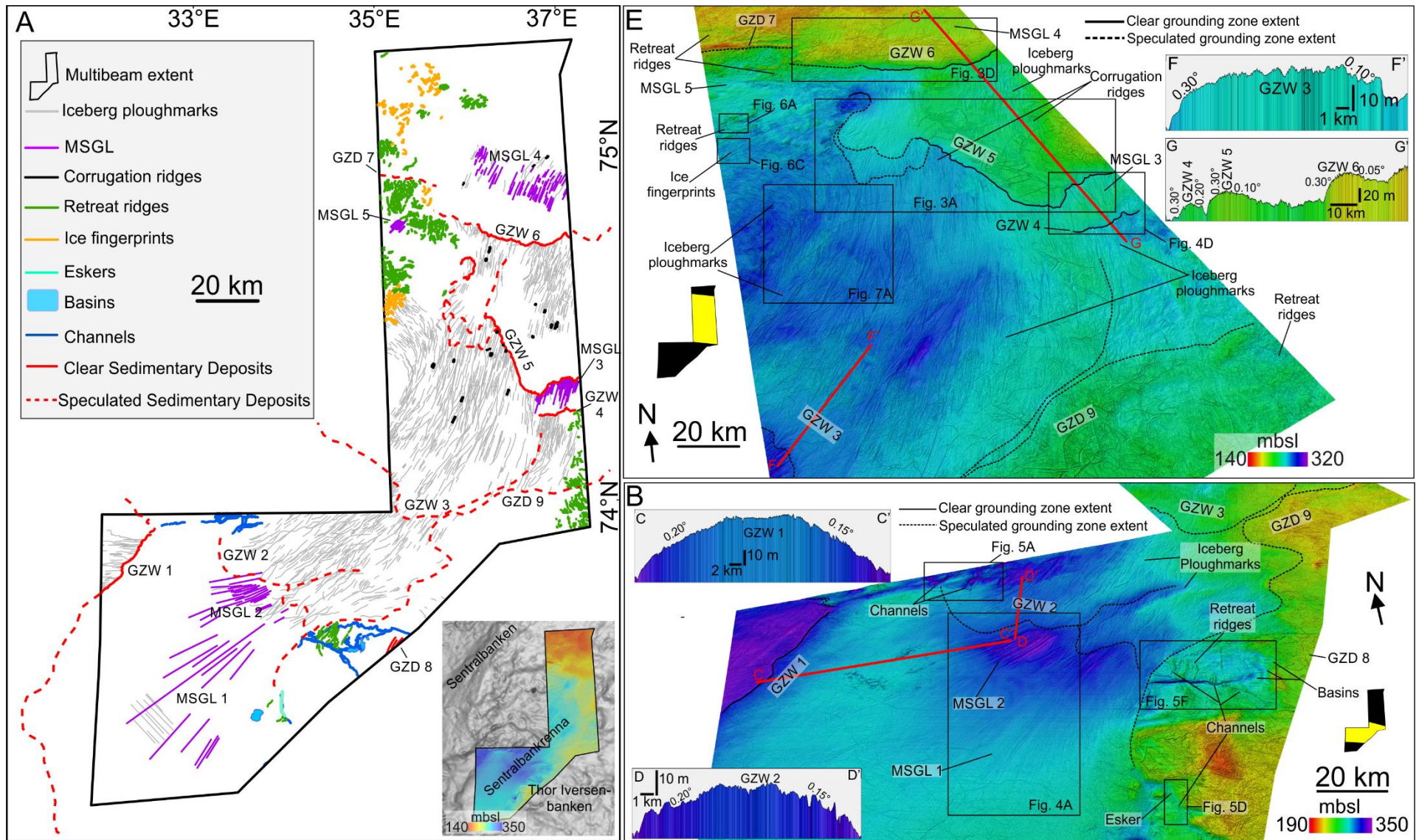
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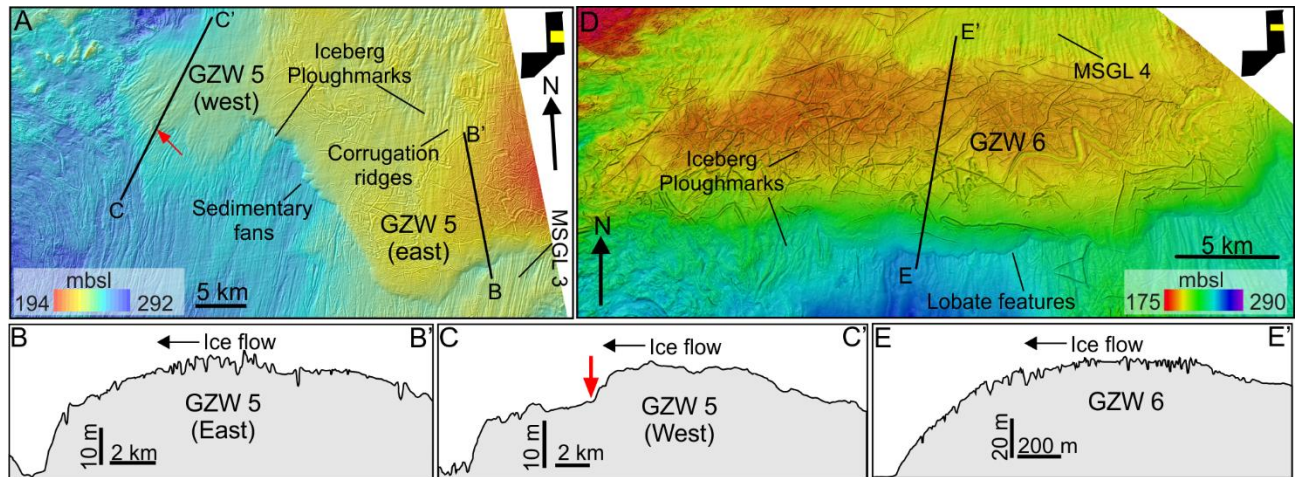
846 **Figure 1.** Map of the Barents Sea, showing the location of the study area (multibeam bathymetry: ©  
 847 Kartverket), the marine border between Norway and Russia, the Last Glacial Maximum (LGM;

848 Svendsen et al., 2004) and 17- and 16-cal ka BP ice margin extents (Winsborrow et al., 2010; extents  
849 north of Kveithola from Hughes et al., 2015), as well as the confirmed ice margin positions based on  
850 geophysical investigations (Rüther et al., 2012; Andreassen et al., 2014; Bjarnadóttir et al., 2014). The  
851 general ice flow directions are indicated by the purple arrows. The locations for the Storbanken ice  
852 divide (Bondevik et al., 1995 and Ottesen et al., 2005), its speculated extent over Sentralbanken/Thor  
853 Iversenbanken/Spitsbergenbanken (Patton et al., 2015) and the Hinlopenstretet ice dome (Dowdeswell  
854 et al., 2010) are also presented. Background bathymetry is from the International Bathymetric Chart of  
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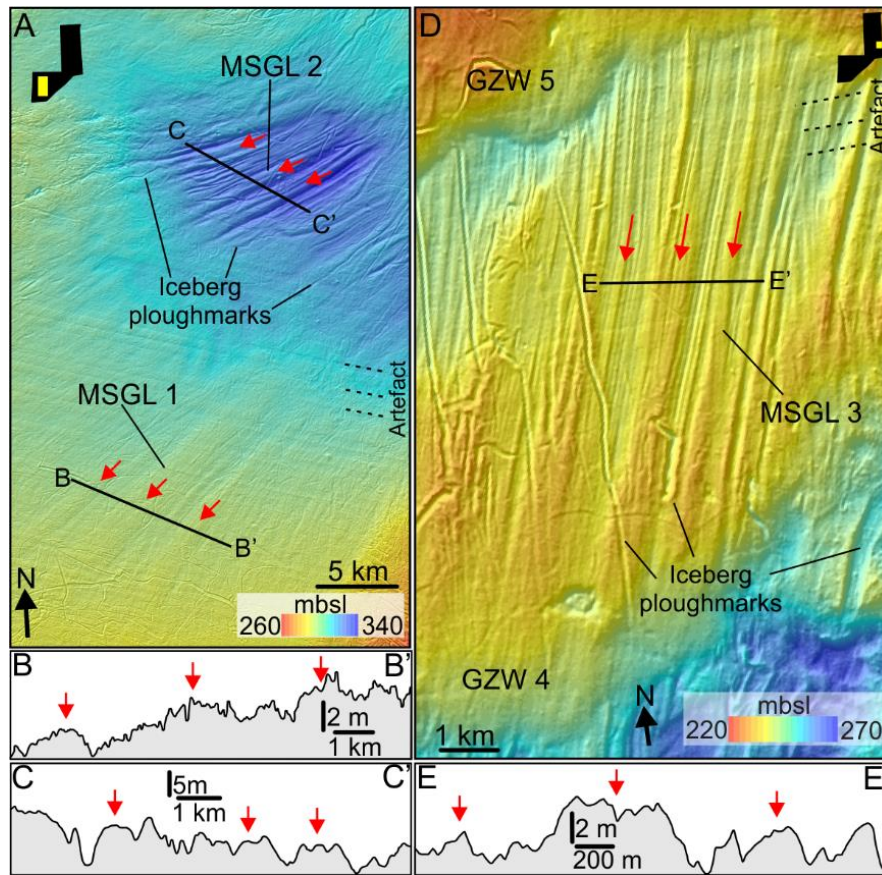
858 **Figure 2 (previous page).** Geomorphology of the Sentralbankrenna glacial system. A – Mapped glacial  
 859 landforms within the study area. B – Overview of the glacial landforms in the southern part of  
 860 Sentralbankrenna within the multibeam data set (GZW – Grounding Zone Wedge; GZD – Grounding  
 861 Zone Deposit; MSGL – Mega-Scale Glacial Lineation). C – Cross profile of GZW 1. D – Cross profile  
 862 of GZW 2. E – Overview of the glacial landforms in the northern part of Sentralbankrenna. F – Cross  
 863 profile of GZW 3. G – Cross profile over GZW 4, 5 and 6. Multibeam bathymetry: © Kartverket.

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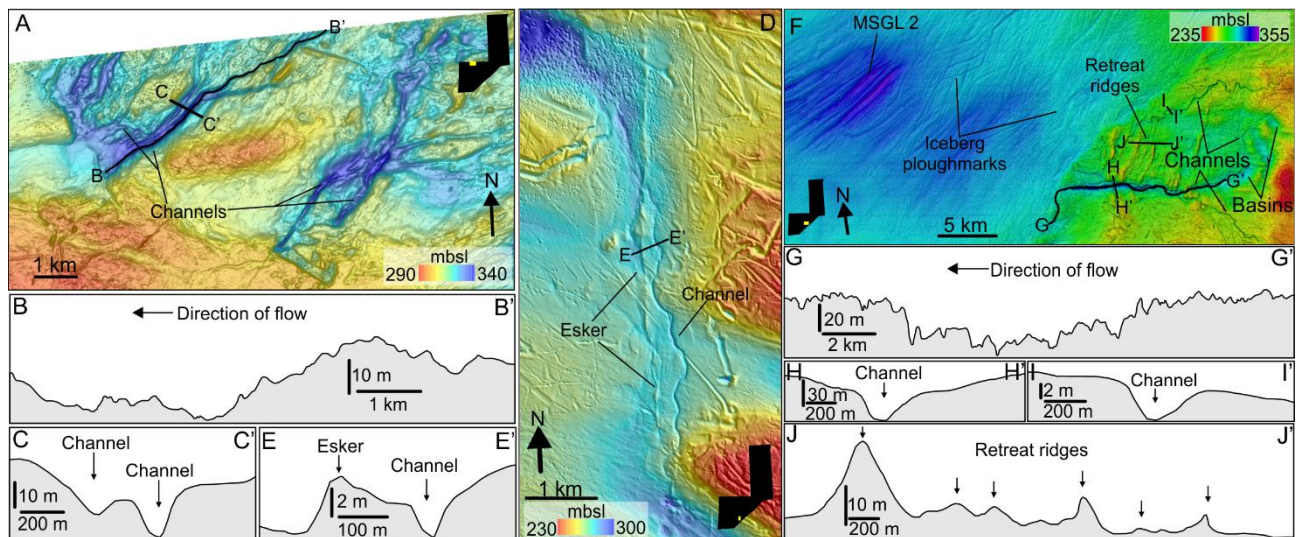
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866 **Figure 3.** Grounding zone wedges in upper Sentralbankrenna. A – High resolution multibeam of GZW  
 867 5 showing several sedimentary fans, iceberg ploughmarks and corrugation ridges. B – Cross profile of  
 868 the eastern side of GZW 5. C – Cross profile of the western side of GZW 5, with the red arrow pointing  
 869 at the slope break and possible overlap with a second phase of wedge formation. D – High resolution  
 870 multibeam of GZW 6, showing its lobate features on the ice distal side of the wedge, MSGL 4 and  
 871 iceberg ploughmarks. E – Cross profile of GZW 6. Multibeam bathymetry: © Kartverket.



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873 **Figure 4.** Mega-scale glacial lineations. A. Multibeam showing MSGL 1 and 2. B – Cross profile of  
 874 MSGL 1. C – Cross profile of MSGL 2. D - Multibeam of MSGL 3 overprinting the ice proximal side  
 875 of GZW 4. E – Cross profile of MSGL 3. The red arrows pointing to the positive feature of the MSGL.  
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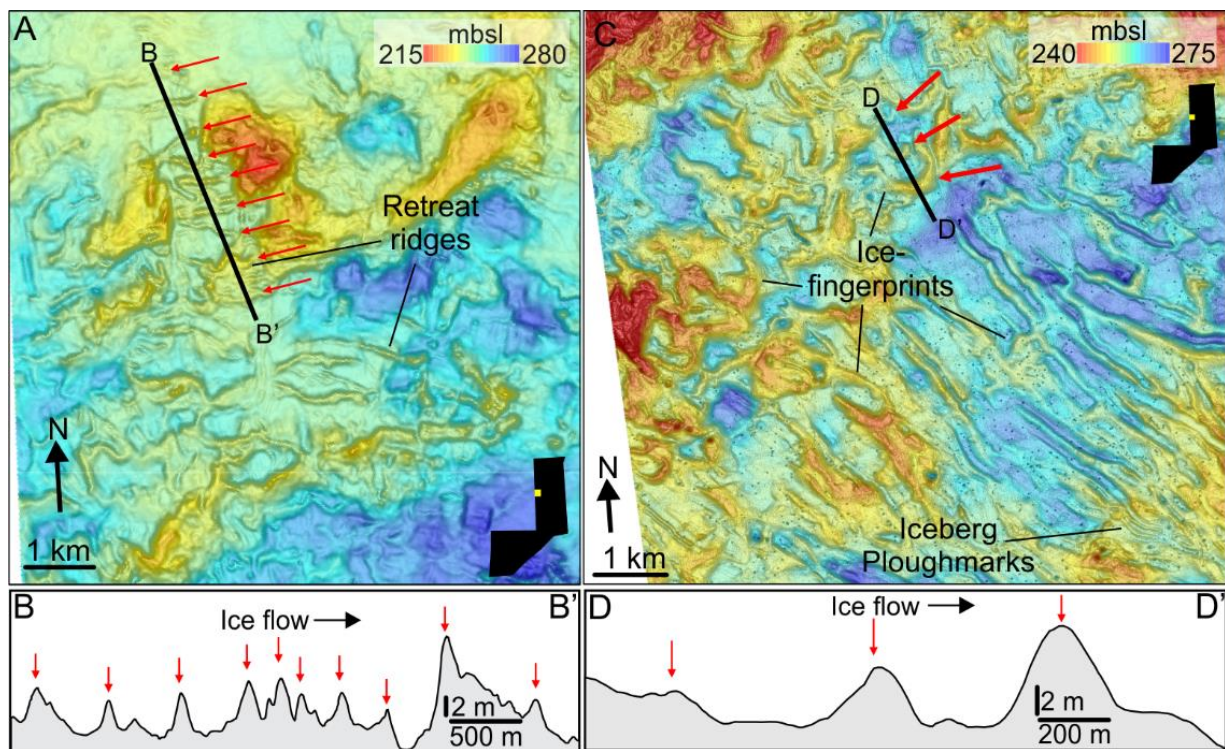
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878 **Figure 5.** Meltwater channels and subglacial basins. A – Channel area to the north of GZW 2 showing  
 879 linked tunnel valley system (highlighted channels in the location map). B – Long profile of a tunnel  
 880 valley. C – Cross section of the tunnel valley. D - Channel area in the western part of Thor



881 Iversenbanken, showing a long sinuous channel with an esker running adjacent to it (highlighted  
 882 channels in the location map). E Cross section of the channel and esker. F - Channel and basin area to  
 883 the east of MSGL 2, showing a large tunnel valley (Bjarnadóttir et al., 2017) with several basins  
 884 upstream from the main channel (highlighted channels in the location map). G – Long profile through  
 885 the main central channel leading from the basins. H and I – Cross profiles of channels in the channel  
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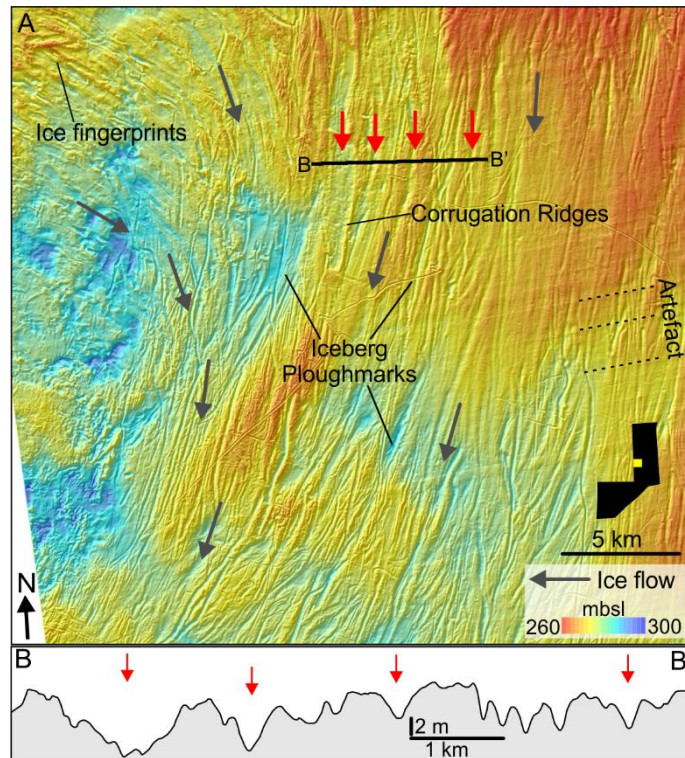


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890 **Figure 6.** Ice-marginal features indicating slow retreat. A – Retreat ridges located to the west of GZW  
 891 5 (highlighted ridges in the location map). B – Cross profile of the ridges. C – Ice fingerprints  
 892 downstream of the retreat ridges (highlighted features in the location map). D – Cross profile of the ice  
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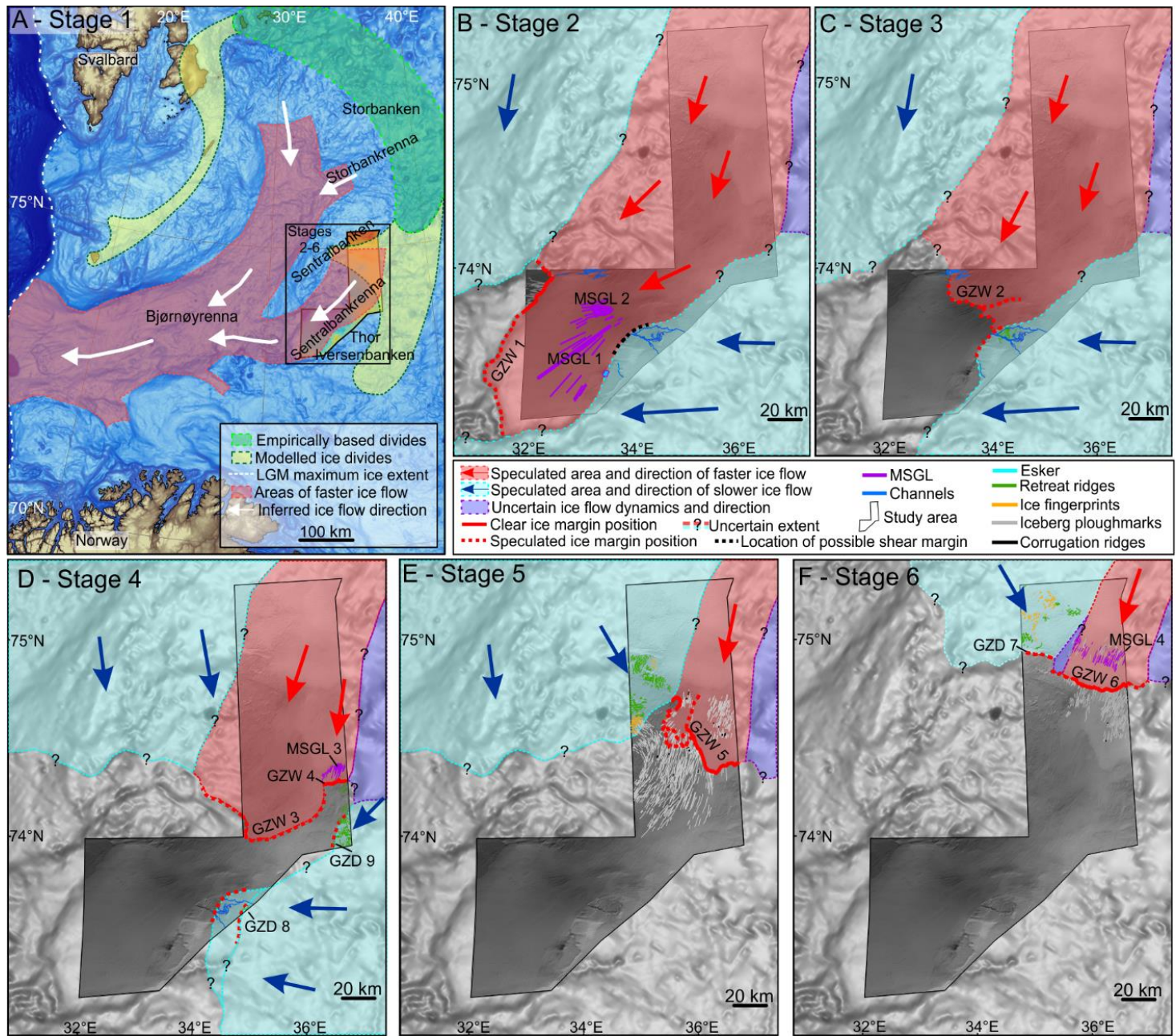
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897 **Figure 7.** Iceberg ploughmarks and corrugation ridges. A – Iceberg ploughmarks between GZW 3 and  
 898 GZW 5 (highlighted ploughmarks in the location map), showing the convergence between two different  
 899 ploughmarks orientations (Grey arrow). Multibeam acquisition artefacts are highlighted by the dashed  
 900 line. B - Cross profile of the ploughmarks. Multibeam bathymetry: © Kartverket.

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903 **Figure 8.** 6-stage reconstruction of the ice dynamics in the Sentralbankrenna glacial system based on  
904 the glacial landforms mapped in the multibeam dataset. A – Stage 1, the BSIS LGM ice extent and ice  
905 dynamics showing: the areas of suggested fast flow and its flow direction (modified from Patton et al.,  
906 2015), LGM maximum ice extent (Svendsen et al., 2004), modelled ice divide (Patton et al., 2015), and  
907 the empirically based ice divides (Bondevik et al., 1995; Ottesen et al., 2005; Andreassen et al., 2014;  
908 Bjarnadóttir et al., 2014); B-F – Stage 2 – 6 of the Sentralbankrenna glacial system reconstruction and  
909 the mapped glacial features associated to each stage. Multibeam bathymetry: © Kartverket.

910 **Table 1.** Overview and comparison of grounding zone deposits. C.f. section 4.1 and 4.2 for further details and interpretations. Height is in relation to seafloor  
 911 downstream of feature. Length relates to that visible in the high-resolution bathymetry dataset as well as IBCAO bathymetry.

Descriptive name (c.f. section 4.1)	Location and orientation	Water depth (mbsl)	Height (m)	Width (km)	Length (km)	Distal/Proximal slope (°)	Key characteristics	Interpretation	Described in:	Present in figures:
Grounding Zone Deposit 1 (GZW 1)	Sentralbankrenna NE-SW	295	~35	~35-60	~100	0.20/0.15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dome-like shape (slightly asymmetric)</li> <li>• Four generations of GZW (Bjarnadóttir et al., 2014)</li> <li>• Overprinted by MSGL 1 and 2 in proximal slope</li> <li>• Breached by tunnel valley in its northern extent (Bjarnadóttir et al., submitted)</li> </ul>	Grounding Zone Wedge	Bjarnadóttir et al. (2014) Newton and Huuse, 2017 This study	Figs. 2 A - C
Grounding Zone Deposit 2 (GZW 2)	Sentralbankrenna NW-SE	305	~10	~15	~45	0.20-0.79/0.15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dome-like shape (slightly asymmetric)</li> <li>• Subdued feature due to heavily scoured surface</li> <li>• Breached by tunnel valley in its northern extent Bjarnadóttir et al. (2017)</li> </ul>	Grounding Zone Wedge	Bjarnadóttir et al. (2014) This study	Figs. 2 A, B and D
Grounding Zone Deposit 3 (GZW 3)	Sentralbankrenna NE-SW	265	~26	~15	~80	0.30/0.10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Asymmetrical shape; steeper ice distal slope</li> <li>• Heavily scoured surface; overprinting and overprinted by iceberg ploughmarks</li> <li>• Uncertain extent (too dense scouring)</li> </ul>	Grounding Zone Wedge	Bjarnadóttir et al. (2014) This study	Figs. 2 A, B, E and F
Grounding Zone Deposit 4 (GZW 4)	Sentralbankrenna W-E	235	~30	~10	~14	0.30/0.20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Asymmetric shape</li> <li>• Overprinting many iceberg ploughmarks</li> <li>• Overprinted by MSGL 3</li> </ul>	Grounding Zone Wedge	This study	Figs. 2 A, E, G and 4 D

Grounding Zone Deposit 5 (GZW 5)	Sentralbankrenna NW-SE	215 (East) 250 (West)	~31 (East) ~10 (West)	~30 (East) ~20 (West)	~35	0.30/0.10 (East) 0.20/0.10(West)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not a fully developed GZW, composed of several ice-proximal fans, particularly in the mid-sections and in the western side</li> </ul> <p>Eastern side:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Asymmetrical wedge-like shape</li> <li>Overprinting MSGL 3</li> <li>Several high and prominent sedimentary fans where the feature extends west</li> </ul> <p>Western side:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Located in deeper part of trough</li> <li>Radial fan-like deposit</li> <li>Break in slope indicates a composite feature of two large fan-deposits</li> <li>Steep ice distal side</li> <li>Heavily overprinting and overprinted by iceberg ploughmarks</li> </ul>	Intermediate Grounding Zone Wedge	Eastern part of GZW 5 described in Newton and Huuse, 2017  This study	Figs. 2 A, E, G and 3 A - C
Grounding Zone Deposit 6 (GZW 6)	Sentralbankrenna ESE-WNW	190	~60	~15	~37	0.30/0.05	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Well preserved</li> <li>Prominent asymmetrical wedge-shaped feature</li> <li>Overprinted by MSGL 4</li> <li>Overprinting several large iceberg ploughmarks downstream of the GZW</li> <li>Several lobate features along its margin</li> <li>Western extent subdued due to overprinting by other features</li> </ul>	Grounding Zone Wedge	Newton and Huuse, 2017  This study	Figs. 2 A, E, G, and 3 D - E

Grounding Zone Deposit 7 (GZD 7)	Sentralbankrenna W-E	160	~50	~4	~20	1.50/0.75	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Less prominent asymmetrical shape</li> <li>• Narrow feature in comparison to GZW 1-6</li> <li>• Several retreat ridges up and downstream of this moraine</li> </ul>	Recessional Moraine	This study	Figs. 2 A and E
Grounding Zone Deposit 8 (GZD 8)	Located on Thor Iversenbanken NE-SW	240	~3-11	~200-340 m	~2-5	1.90/1.20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Similar morphology to GZD 7</li> <li>• Composed of three closely spaced symmetrical sedimentary deposits</li> </ul>	Recessional Moraine	Bjarnadóttir et al. (2014) This study	Figs. 2 A and B
Grounding Zone Deposit 9 (GZD 9)	Located on Thor Iversenbanken NE-SW	220	~25	~8	~45	0.30/0.15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Subdued feature due to being heavily scoured by iceberg ploughmarks</li> <li>• Morphology is clearer in the northern-most part of Thor Iversenbanken</li> <li>• Uncertain extent and unclear shape</li> </ul>	Grounding Zone Deposit	Bjarnadóttir et al. (2014) This study	Figs. 2 A, B and E

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