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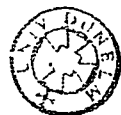
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TABLE 2.1

Climatological data from northern Scotland

Station	Average annual precipitation (mm)	Average min.		Average max.		Average July min. temp.		Average July max. temp.	
		January temp. (°C)	(°C)	January temp. (°C)	(°C)	temp. (°C)	(°C)	temp. (°C)	(°C)
Strathlyon	1018	-7.3	10.4	12.8	22.9				
Cape Wrath	1156	-2.2	10.6	15.0	19.4				
Lairg	1106	-11.3	10.0	13.3	23.0				

TABLE 3.1

The qualities of the sensors used in mapping the present vegetation
and pollen rain in northern Scotland

Sensor	Scale of resolution (metres)	Temporal resolution	Area covered	Sensitivity
Thematic Mapper	25x25	1 day in May 1987	30 x 38 km (NC5135 to NC8965)	Coarse resolution vegetation mapping
Surface pollen (lakes)	10^1 to 10^4	Integrated picture for the last 3-5 years	35 x 50 km (NC5020 to NC8570)	Discriminates between treeless, non treeless, and intensively managed areas
Phytosociological survey	2 x 2	Representative of field seasons 1988 and 1989	spatially discrete points within 120 x 130 km area	Detailed descriptions of the structure, and distribution of plant communities

TABLE 3.4

Conspectus of vegetation units

Class Oxycocco-Sphagnetea Braun-Blanquet and R. Tüxen 1943

Order Ericetalia tetralicis Moore (1964) 1968

Alliance Ericion tetralicis Schwickwerath 1933

Association Tricophoreto-Callunetum (McVean and Ratcliffe, 1962)

..... **Nodum 24** – *Calluna vulgaris* nodum

Association Moliniето-Callunetum (McVean and Ratcliffe, 1962)

Alliance Erico-Sphagnion Moore (1964) 1968

Association Tricophoreto-Eriophoretum (McVean and Ratcliffe, 1962)

..... **Nodum 21** – *Calluna vulgaris-Eriophorum angustifolium* nodum

..... **Nodum 22** – *Erica tetralix-Sphagnum* nodum

..... **Nodum 23** – *Trichophorum cespitosum-Myrica gale* nodum

Class Elyno-Seslerietea Braun-Blanquet 1948

Order Elyno-Dryadetalia Braun-Blanquet 1948

Alliance Kobresio-Dryadion Nordhagen (1936) 1943

Dryas octopetala nodum (McVean and Ratcliffe, 1962)

..... **Nodum 1** – *Dryas octopetala* nodum

Class Caricetea curvulae Braun-Blanquet 1948

Order Caricetalia curvulae Braun-Blanquet 1926

Alliance Arctostaphyleto-Cetrarion nivalis Dahl 1956

Juniperetum nanae (McVean and Ratcliffe, 1962)

..... **Nodum 6** – *Juniperus communis* nodum

Class Nardo-Callunetea Preising 1948

Order Nardetalia (Oberdorfer 1949)

Alliance Nardo-Galion saxatilis Preising 1949

Association Agrosti-Festucetum (species poor) (McVean and Ratcliffe, 1962)

..... **Nodum 20** – *Calluna vulgaris-Agrostis canina* nodum

Association Agrosti-Festucetum (species rich) (McVean and Ratcliffe, 1962)

Association Nardetum sub-alpinum (McVean and Ratcliffe, 1962)

..... **Nodum 7** – *Anthoxanthum odoratum-Rhynchodeschisma squarrosus* nodum

Alliance Ericion cinereae Böcher 1943

Association Callunetum vulgaris (McVean and Ratcliffe, 1962)

..... **Nodum 19** – *Calluna vulgaris-Potentilla erecta* nodum

Association Cladineto-Callunetum (McVean and Ratcliffe, 1962)

..... **Nodum 25** – *Calluna vulgaris-Cladonia impexa* nodum

Class Betulo-Adenostyletalia Braun-Blanquet 1948

Order Adenostyletalia Braun-Blanquet 1931

Alliance Mulgedion alpini Nordhagen 1943

Salix lapponum-Luzula sylvatica nodum (McVean and Ratcliffe, 1962)

.....**Nodum 14** – *Betula pubescens-Thuidium tamariscinum* nodum

Class Molinio-Betuletea Pass. et Hoffman 1968

Order

Alliance

Community *Sphagnum palustre-Betula pubescens* (Birse, 1982)

Class Alnetea Glutinosae Braun-Blanquet and R. Tüxen 1943

Order Alnetalia glutinosae R. Tüxen 1937

Alliance Alnion glutinosae (Malcuit 1929) Meijer-Drees 1936

community *Alnus glutinosa* woods (Birks, 1973)

..... **Nodum 5** – *Alnus glutinosa* nodum

Class Vaccinio-Piceetea Braun-Blanquet, Sissingh and Vileger (1939)

Order Vaccinio-Piceetalia Braun-Blanquet, Sissingh and Vileger (1939)

Alliance Dicrano-Pinion (Libb 1933) Matusz 1962

Association Pinetum Scoticae (Steven and Carlisle, 1959) Birse 1980

Association Pinetum Hylocomieto-Vaccinietum (McVean and Ratcliffe 1962)

.....**Nodum 15** – *Pinus sylvestris-Deschampsia cespitosa* nodum

.....**Nodum 16** – *Pinus sylvestris-Molinia caerulea* nodum

.....**Nodum 17** – *Pinus sylvestris-Vaccinium myrtillus* nodum

Association Pinetum Vaccineto-Callunetum (McVean and Ratcliffe 1962)

..... **Nodum 18** – *Pinus sylvestris-Calluna vulgaris* nodum

Alliance

community *Molinia caerulea-Pinus sylvestris* Plantation (Birse, 1988)

Class Quercetea Robori-Petraeae Braun-Blanquet and R. Tüxen 1943

Order Quercetalia Robori-Petraeae R. Tüxen (1931) 1937

Alliance Quercion robori-petraeae (Malcuit, 1929) Braun-Blanquet 1932

Association *Betula pubescens-Vaccinium myrtillus* (Birks, 1973)

Association Betuletum Oxaletum-Vaccinium (McVean and Ratcliffe, 1962)

..... **Nodum 12** – *Betula pubescens-Vaccinium myrtillus* nodum

..... **Nodum 13** – *Betula pubescens-Juniperus communis* nodum

Betula-herb nodum (McVean and Ratcliffe, 1962)

..... **Nodum 3** – *Betula pubescens-Rumex acetosa* nodum

..... **Nodum 8** – *Betula pubescens-Potentilla erecta* nodum

..... **Nodum 9** – *Betula pubescens-Rhytidadelphus squarrosus* nodum

..... **Nodum 10** – *Betula pubescens-Deschampsia flexuosa* nodum

Association Trientali-Betuletum pendulae (Birse, 1982)

..... **Nodum 11** – *Betula pendula* nodum

Association Blechno-Quercetum (Braun-Blanquet, 1952; Birse, 1982)

..... **Nodum 4** – *Salix* nodum

community *Pteridium aquilinum-Pinus sylvestris* plantation (Birse, 1988)

Association *Oxalis acetosella-Rhytidadelphus loreus* (Birks, 1973)

Order Pteridio-Rubetalia Doing 1962

Alliance Usici-Sarothomnion Doing 1962

Association

community *Holcus mollis-Pteridium aquilinum* (Birse, 1984; 1988)

community *Pteridium aquilinum-Salix aurita* (Birse, 1988)

TABLE 3.5

Summary of the affinities of noda to published vegetation types

Nodum	Affinities to vegetation types defined
1	<i>Dryas octopetala</i> nodum (McVean and Ratcliffe, 1962)
2	None
3	<i>Betula</i> -herb nodum (McVean and Ratcliffe, 1962)
4	Blechno-Quercetum (Braun-Blanquet and Tüxen, 1952)
5	<i>Alnus glutinosa</i> woods (Birks, 1973)
6	Juniperetum nanae (McVean and Ratcliffe, 1962)
7	Nardetum sub-alpinum (McVean and Ratcliffe, 1962)
8	<i>Betula</i> -herb nodum (McVean and Ratcliffe, 1962)
9	<i>Betula</i> -herb nodum (McVean and Ratcliffe, 1962)
10	<i>Betula</i> -herb nodum (McVean and Ratcliffe, 1962)
11	Trientali-Betuletum pendulae (Birse, 1982)
12	Betuletum Oxaletum-Vaccinium (McVean and Ratcliffe, 1962)
13	Betuletum Oxaletum-Vaccinium (McVean and Ratcliffe, 1962)
14	<i>Salix lapponum-Luzula sylvatica</i> nodum (McVean and Ratcliffe, 1962)
15	Pinetum Hylocomieto-Vaccinietum (McVean and Ratcliffe, 1962)
16	Pinetum Hylocomieto-Vaccinietum (McVean and Ratcliffe, 1962)
17	Pinetum Hylocomieto-Vaccinietum (McVean and Ratcliffe, 1962)
18	Pinetum Vaccineto-Callunetum
19	Callunetum vulgare
20	Agrostum-Festucetum (McVean and Ratcliffe, 1962)
21	Tricophoretum-Eriophoretum (McVean and Ratcliffe, 1962)
22	Tricophoretum-Eriophoretum (McVean and Ratcliffe, 1962)
23	Tricophoretum-Eriophoretum (McVean and Ratcliffe, 1962)
24	Tricophoretum-Callunetum (McVean and Ratcliffe, 1962)
25	Cladinetum-Callunetum (McVean and Ratcliffe, 1962)

TABLE 3.17

Thematic colour(s) assigned to noda. The numbers in the table refer to the number of relevés assigned a Thematic Mapper colour in a given nodal class.

Noda number	Thematic Mapper colour																									
	19	18	2	6	8	9	11	20	23	21	22	14	13	7	12	10	4	15	16	17	24	5	1	3	25	
13	1																									
16	3	1											1													
18	1	1			1	1									2											1
14			4	1	1	1	2																			
19	1	2	4	5	1	3						1	2	1	3											1
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5										1																
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9							1																			
10																										
11																										
12																										
17			1				1	1	1																	

TABLE 3.18

Probability table for obtaining a given Thematic colour for a given nodal class. The numbers in the table are the probability for obtaining a given Thematic Mapper colour for a given nodal class.

Nodal number	Thematic Mapper colour																									
	18	18	2	8	8	9	9	11	20	23	21	22	14	13	7	12	10	4	15	16	17	24	5	1	3	25
13	0.11													0.02				0.25								
16	0.33	0.25															0.50		0.20	0.25				1.0		
18	0.11	0.25		0.14	0.20									0.20			0.50		0.20	0.25				1.0		
Total	0.55	0.50		0.14	0.20									0.20			0.50		0.20	0.25				1.0		
14			0.44	0.14	0.20	0.12	0.13						0.11	0.02					0.20	0.25					1.0	
19	0.11	0.50	0.44	0.71	0.20	0.37							0.05	0.50	0.75				0.20	0.25					1.0	
Total	0.11	0.50	0.88	0.85	0.40	0.44	0.13						0.11	0.08	0.5	0.75			0.20	0.25					1.0	
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11																										
12																										
17																										
Total																										

TABLE 3.19

Data on surface sample sites

Site	Loch	Ordnance survey grid reference	Altitude (metres)	Loch size (m)
1	East of Loch Warrender	NC 755481	213	75 x 37
2	Lochan by Feusaige	NC 748477	246	125 x 62
3	Loch Leoid	NC 686504	205	62 x 25
4	Loch Meilag	NC 678500	193	425 x 100
5	Lochan Grummomore	NC 610375	209	150 x 52
6	Strathmore	NC 576388	167	50 x 52
7	Roundhill	NC 675399	83	75 x 75
8	Lochan by Meadie	NC 512377	144	25 x 25
9	Palm loch	NC 710410	165	425 x 200
10	Loch Rosall	NC 715400	144	400 x 225
11	Lochan Carnachadh	NC 698517	182	250 x 75
12	Kinbrace	NC 729404	137	75 x 75
13	Altnabreac	NC 765503	190	125 x 50
14	Bethyhill	NC 705624	30	100 x 50
15	Loch Mòr	NC 718609	99	575 x 175
16	Loch Salachaidh	NC 733621	83	175 x 175
17	Dalchork	NC 600134	200	300 x 100
18	Torrbole	NC 593023	160	100 x 125
19	Lochan a'Choire	NC 685603	22	150 x 100
20	Lochan Chulbhe	NC 696608	106	250 x 200
21	Loch Mer	NC 704600	7	400 x 87
22	Loch Chealamy	NC 722506	38	125 x 75
23	Lochan by Rosall	NC 721397	137	75 x 37
24	Lochan Dubh	NC 625593	68	375 x 175
25	Loch Dubh Beul na Fàire	NC 647593	106	300 x 175
26	Loch ma Nàire	NC 726537	22	300 x 125
27	Loch Vasso	NC 580645	56	150 x 125
28	Loch nam Faolilleag	NC 730551	68	175 x 75
29	Modsaie	NC 649615	68	700 x 275
30	Lochan Ealoch	NC 620650	91	225 x 150
31	Gaineamhach	NC 514258	220	200 x 150
32	Swordily loch	NC 730629	83	100 x 50
33	Loch Duinte	NC 715583	7	375 x 288
34	Lochan na Uimheachd	NC 609543	175	250 x 150

TABLE 3.20
The relationship between percentage vegetation cover (established from the Thematic Mapper using
a 2.5 km radius around each site) and percentage pollen data

Taxa	Linear regression value 'r'	r ²	df	significance level
<i>Betula</i>	0.18014	0.03	29	not significant
Gramineae	0.58953	0.34	29	99% level
<i>Calluna</i>	0.27225	0.07	29	not significant
Cyperaceae	-0.1944	0.03	29	not significant
<i>Pinus</i>	0.30970	0.10	27	not significant
<i>Pteridium</i>	-0.09899	0.00	29	not significant

TABLE 4.1

Radiocarbon dates and sediment accumulation rates for Loch Mer

Laboratory Code	Sample Code	Conventional age years B.P. +/- one sigma	Calendar Years B.P. +/- one sigma*	Sediment accumulation rates yr. cm ⁻¹
SRR-3399	LM/010	1830 +/- 70	1863 to 1700	27.7
SRR-3400	LM/009	2685 +/- 70	2857 to 2753	8.9
SRR-3401	LM/008	2890 +/- 70	3202 to 2941	0.9
SRR-3402	LM/007	3545 +/- 70	3964 to 3723	3.1
SRR-3403	LM/006	4545 +/- 70	5316 to 5051	25.0
SRR-3404	LM/005	5565 +/- 70	6418 to 6300	21.2
SRR-3405	LM/004	7730 +/- 70	8570 to 8411	45.1
SRR-3406	LM/003	7920 +/- 70	8982 to 8625	3.9
SRR-3407	LM/002	7830 +/- 120	8963 to 8463	-
SRR-3408	LM/001	7380 +/- 80	8327 to 8060	-

* Reference for the data sets (and intervals) used in calibration is Pearson and Stuiver (1986)

Table 4.2 THE MACRO-FOSSIL RECORDS FROM LOCH MER IN RELATION TO THE LOCHMER LOCAL POLLEN ZONES. A * represents the presence of a macro-fossil within a pollen zone.

Macro-fossil type	LM-1	LM-2	LM-3a	LM-3b	LM-3c	LM-4a	LM-4b
<i>Sphagnum unid.</i>							
leaf	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
<i>Pleurozium scheberi</i>							
leaf					*		
<i>Betula pubescens</i>							
fruit				*			
catkin				*			
seed					*		
<i>Juncus</i>							
seed				*	*	*	*
Cyperaceae							
seed	*						
Gramineae							
seed	*						
Labiatae							
seed						*	
<i>Calluna vulgaris</i>							
seeds				*	*	*	*
Selaginella megaspore					*		*
Isoetes megaspore					*	*	*

TABLE 4.3

Fire indices for Loch Mer

Radiocarbon years B.P.	Pollen zone	Total number of samples	S'	P _F	T	C _i	F ₁	F ₂
8330-8000 ?	LM-1	5	2	0.4	30.4	5	0.16	0.06
8000-5500	LM-2	8	4	0.5	1276.7	6	4.6 ⁻⁰³	3.13 ⁻⁰³
5500-3500	LM-3a	5	0	0	940	0	0	0
3500-2900	LM-3b	10	3	0.3	251.2	6	0.02	0.11
2900-2600	LM-3b	19	12	0.6	138.3	30	0.21	0.08
2600-1830	LM-4a	3	1	0.3	364.1	1	2.74 ⁻⁰³	2.74 ⁻⁰³
1830-0	LM-4b	6	0	0	1108.8	0	0	0

TABLE 4.4

Comparison of fire indices from north-east Caithness (Robinson, 1987) and Loch Mer

Radiocarbon years B.P.	Loch Mer Fire Index	Radiocarbon years B.P.	Ackhorn (Robinson, 1987) Fire Index
7920-7730	HIGH	8000-7800	HIGH
7730-5565	VERY LOW	7800-5500	LOW
5565-3545	LOW	5500-3500	LOW
3500-2685	MODERATE	3500-1000	MODERATE
2685-1830	LOW		
1830-0	VERY LOW	1000-0	VERY LOW

TABLE 5.1

THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE DISTRIBUTION OF SUB-FOSSIL PINUS SYLVESTRIS, SAMPLED AREA AND SOIL TYPES PER 10 KM GRID EASTING FOR THE AREA OF THE INTENSIVE SURVEY

PER 100 1 KM GRID SQUARES	GRID EASTING BETWEEN NC 7045 AND ND 2055				
	NC 7	NC 8	NC 9	ND 0	ND 1
A No. not searched	17	53	64	53	46
B No. where no pine was found	53	25	18	43	51
C No. where pine was found	30	22	18	4	3
D % of grid squares searched in which pine were found $((C/B+C)*100)$	36.1	48.8	50.0	8.5	5.5
E Total No. of 1 km grid squares searched which were dominated by category 1 soils	35	3	8	4	11
F No. of 1 km grid squares which contained category 1 soils and pine	12	3	5	0	0
G Percentage of category 1 soils which contained pine $(F/E)*100$	34.2	100	62.5	0	0
P No. of category 1 soils which contained pine calculated as a % of the total number of pine records $(F/C)*100$	40.0	13.6	27.7	0	0
H Total No. 1 km grid squares searched which were dominated by category 2 soils	42	39	28	43	28
I No. of 1 km grid squares which contained category 2 soils and pine	16	18	13	4	3
J Percentage of category 2 soils which contained pine $(I/H)*100$	38.0	46.1	46.4	9.3	10.7

Q	No. of category 2 soils which contained pine calculated as a % of the total number of pine records $(I/H)*100$	53.3	81.8	72.2	100	1
K	Total number of 1 km grid squares searched which were dominated by category 3 soils	6	5	0	0	4
J	No. of 1 km grid squares which contained category 3 soils and pine	2	1	0	0	0
L	Percentage of category 3 soils which contained pine $(J/K)*100$	33.3	20.0	0	0	0
U	No. of category 3 soils which contained pine calculated as a % of the total number of pine records $(J/C)*100$	6.6	4.5	0	0	0
M	Total No. of 1 km grid squares searched which were dominated by category 4 soils	0	0	0	0	11
N	No. of 1 km grid squares which contained category 4 soils and pine	0	0	0	0	0
O	Percentage of category 4 soils which contained pine $(N/M)*100$	0	0	0	0	0
R	No. of category 4 soils which contained pine calculated as a % of the total number of pine records $(N/C)*100$	0	0	0	0	0

Table 5.2 Modern tree density and percentage canopy cover

Site	Number of trees n-1	Intertree distance (m)	Mean intertree distance (m)	Area occupied by one tree	Number of trees per hectare	Mean Basal Area (m ²)	Basal Area per hectare (m ²)	% Canopy Cover
Amat	site 1	194.08	4.85	65.65	152.3	0.16036	24.42	80
	site 2	107.63	2.62	19.14	522.4	0.0859	3.082	2
Einig	16	246.6	15.56	675.2	14.81	0.247	3.655	80
Rhiddoch	site 1	123.95	4.13	47.5	210.5	0.137	28.832	60
	site 2	123.1	4.92	67.5	148.1	0.108	15.994	5
Vaich	site 1	108.9	7.77	168.37	59.39	0.226	19.39	70
	site 2	53.6	3.829	40.87	44.68	0.286	61.978	70
Shieldaig	31	131.55	4.11	47.1	212.3	0.1202	25.518	70
	39	87.67	2.19	13.3	751.8	0.00659	4.954	2

Table 5.3 Sub-fossil tree density and estimated percentage canopy cover

Site	Number of trees n-1	Intertree distance (m)	Mean intertree distance (m)	Area occupied by one tree	Number of trees per hectare	Mean Basal Area (m ²)	Basal Area per hectare (m ²)	Estimated % Canopy Cover
Badanloch	site 1	727.97	4.13	47.56	210.26	0.0201	4.226	2.9
	site 2	176.9	2.39	15.93	627.74	0.0341	21.40	6.04
Inchkinloch	20	20	73.14	3.48	296.12	0.0414	12.25	7.79
	88	245.4	2.78	21.55	464.03	0.0294	13.64	5.09
Melness	49	145.5	2.96	24.43	409.33	0.0355	14.53	6.46
	17	106.65	6.27	109.63	91.21	0.1345	12.26	28.79
Lochstrathay	51	155.2	3.044	25.84	386.99	0.0120	4.64	1.16
	12	45.68	3.806	40.27	248.32	0.0143	3.55	1.68
	34	88.70	2.608	18.85	530.50	0.0312	16.55	5.49
	6	24.03	4.005	44.62	224.11	-	-	-

Table 0.1 THE PRESENCE OF MACRO-FOSSILS IN RELATION TO THE LOCHSTRATHY LOCAL POLLEN ZONES FOR THE COARSE AND FINE RESOLUTION POLLEN DIAGRAMS. The results are combined from both the 4 x 10 mm macro-fossil samples and the 1 mm pollen washings. * indicates that a macro-fossil was found in that pollen zone.

Macro-fossil type	Before Ls-1a	Ls-1a	Ls-1b	Ls-2	Ls-3a	Ls-3b	Ls-3c	Ls-3d	Ls-4a	Ls-4b	Ls-5	Ls-6	After Ls-6
<i>Erica tetralix</i>													
leaves	*	*	*						*		*	*	*
seeds	*	*							*				*
<i>Calluna vulgaris</i>													
leaves	*	*	*						*	*	*	*	*
seeds	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
<i>Polygala</i>													
leaf	*								*	*	*	*	*
Compositae tubiflorae flower													*
<i>Pinus sylvestris</i> bark? needles							*	*	*	*	*	*	*

TABLE 6.2

The results from the summary sheet output of CROSSDAT for the crossmatching of S050 with S246

Fixed was S050

radius 4 with 221 rings

Match was S246

radius 1 with 151 rings

Best match for standardised log values was at 9

with multiple probability of 0.00001 for an overlap of 151 rings

- individual probability 0.00000 with 273 tests -

(next best at 6; multiple probability 0.00001; probability ratio 1.01802)

Best match for B&P normalised values was at 152

with multiple probability of 0.32051 for an overlap of 66 rings

- individual probability 0.00146 with 265 tests -

(next best at 157; multiple probability 0.42850; probability ratio 1.33692)

Best match for Fritts high-pass values was at 152

with multiple probability of 0.37305 for an overlap of 58 rings

- Individual probability 0.00187 with 249 tests -

(next best at 88; multiple probability 0.70673; probability ratio 1.89450)

Best match for Munrow 10-year values was at 88

with multiple probability of 0.44831 for an overlap of 112 rings

- individual probability 0.00259 with 229 tests -

(next best at 30; multiple probability 0.45870; probability ratio 1.02319)

Best match for BH's 9-point values was at 152

with multiple probability of 0.23087 for an overlap of 62 rings

- individual probability 0.00102 with 257 tests -

(next best at 157; multiple probability 0.50685; probability ratio 2.19536)

Table 6.5 The number of births and deaths in 25 year intervals. The left hand side of each / represents the number of individuals born in a 25 year period. The right hand side of each / at the top of each column represents the number of individuals born during a 25 year period. Subsequently, the figures at the left hand side of each slash represent the number of those individuals still alive at the beginning of each subsequent 25 year period. The figure at the right of each slash indicates the number of those individuals that died during each subsequent 25 year period.

Year	0-25	26-50	51-75	76-100	101-125	126-150	151-175	176-200	201-225	226-250	251-275	276-300	301-325
0-25	3/0												
26-50	3/0	7/0											
51-75	3/0	7/3	7/0										
76-100	3/2	4/2	7/2	2/0									
101-125	1/1	2/1	5/1	2/0	7/0								
126-150	0/	1/0	4/2	2/0	7/1	5/0							
151-175		1/0	2/1	2/0	6/2	5/3	2/0						
176-200		1/0	1/0	2/1	4/2	2/0	2/1	8/0					
200-225		1/0	1/1	1/1	2/1	2/2	1/1	8/1	2/0				
226-250		1/0	0/	0/	1/0	0/	0/	7/4	2/1	1/0			
251-275		1/1			1/1			3/2	1/1	1/0			
276-300		0/			0/			1/0	0/	1/1			
301-325								1/0		0/			
326-350								1/1					
351-375								0/					

TABLE 6.7
Fire frequency at Lochstrathly in 25 year intervals based on fire scars

Floating years	Number of fires recorded	Number of trees recorded alive	A/B	Number of births	Number of deaths	Log D/E	Mean fire interval (years)
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
0-25	1	3	0.33	3	0	0.47	25.00
26-50	2	10	0.20	7	0	0.84	12.50
51-75	3	17	0.17	7	3	0.36	8.30
76-100	5	16	0.31	2	6	-0.47	5.00
101-125	5	16	0.31	2	6	-0.47	5.00
126-150	12	17	0.70	5	3	0.22	2.00
151-175	4	18	0.22	2	6	-0.47	6.25
176-200	6	20	0.30	8	4	0.30	4.16
201-225	7	18	0.38	2	7	-0.54	3.57
226-250	4	12	0.33	1	5	-0.69	6.25
250-275	0	7	0	0	5	-	-
276-300	0	2	0	0	1	-	-
301-325	0	1	0	0	0	-	-
325-350	0	0	0	0	1	-	-

TABLE 6.8
Radiocarbon dates and sediment accumulation rates for Lochstrathay

Laboratory Code	Sample Code	Conventional age years B.P. +/- one sigma	Calendar Years B.P. +/- one sigma*	Sediment accumulation rates cm. yr ⁻¹
SRR-3495	LS/001	3275 +/- 65	3619 to 3460	-
SRR-3496	LS/002	3525 +/- 65	3897 to 3709	0.0144
SRR-3497	LS/003	3495 +/- 65	3858 to 3692	-
SRR-3498	LS/004	3510 +/- 65	3881 to 3696	0.0400
SRR-3499	LS/005	3600 +/- 55	3985 to 3838	0.0133
SRR-3500	LS/006	3930 +/- 55	4506 to 4313	0.0151
SRR-3501	LS/007	4225 +/- 60	4862 to 4651	-

* Reference for the data sets (and intervals) used in calibration is Pearson and Stuiver (1986)
Samples LS/001-LS/006 inclusive are peat. Sample LS/007 is a wood fragment of *Pinus sylvestris* (part of the root system) which was associated with the monolith.

Fig. 1.1 Map illustrating the location of northern Scotland and its treelessness in comparison with other areas of Britain and Europe

Fig. 1.1a The percentage of woodland cover in relation to the total area for each country in 1977 (after Mitchie, 1985). Note the figure in the Irish Sea refers to the U.K.

Fig. 1.1b The volume of deciduous timber in woodlands > 5 acres for each geographical area in 1949. The size of the pie charts is proportional to the volume of broadleaved timber per geographic area (from the Atlas of Britain and Northern Ireland, 1963)

Fig. 1.1c The location of the study area - northern Scotland.

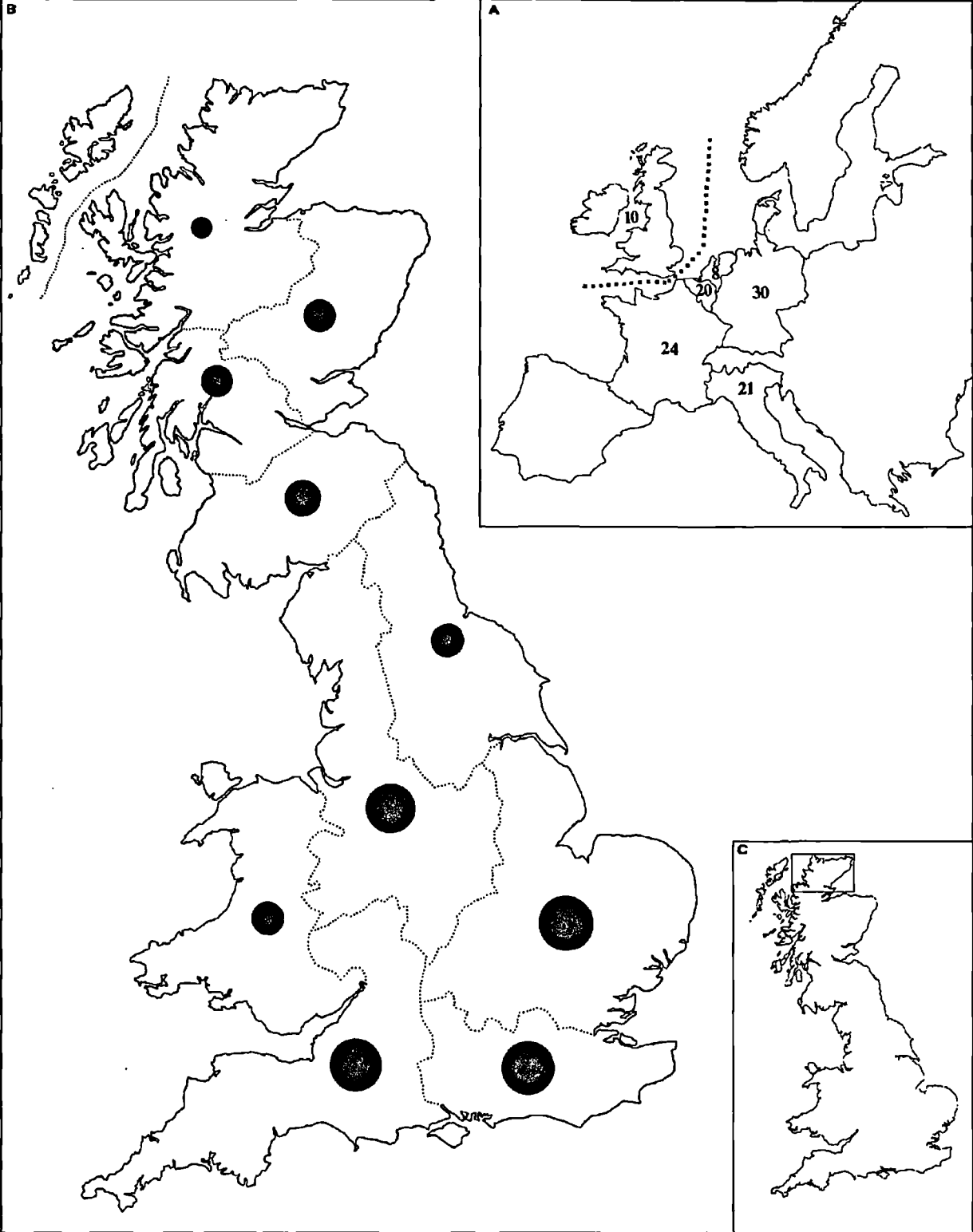


Fig. 2.1a The location of the study area. Northern Scotland, Far northern, north-western, north-eastern, and central-northern Scotland are defined on the map

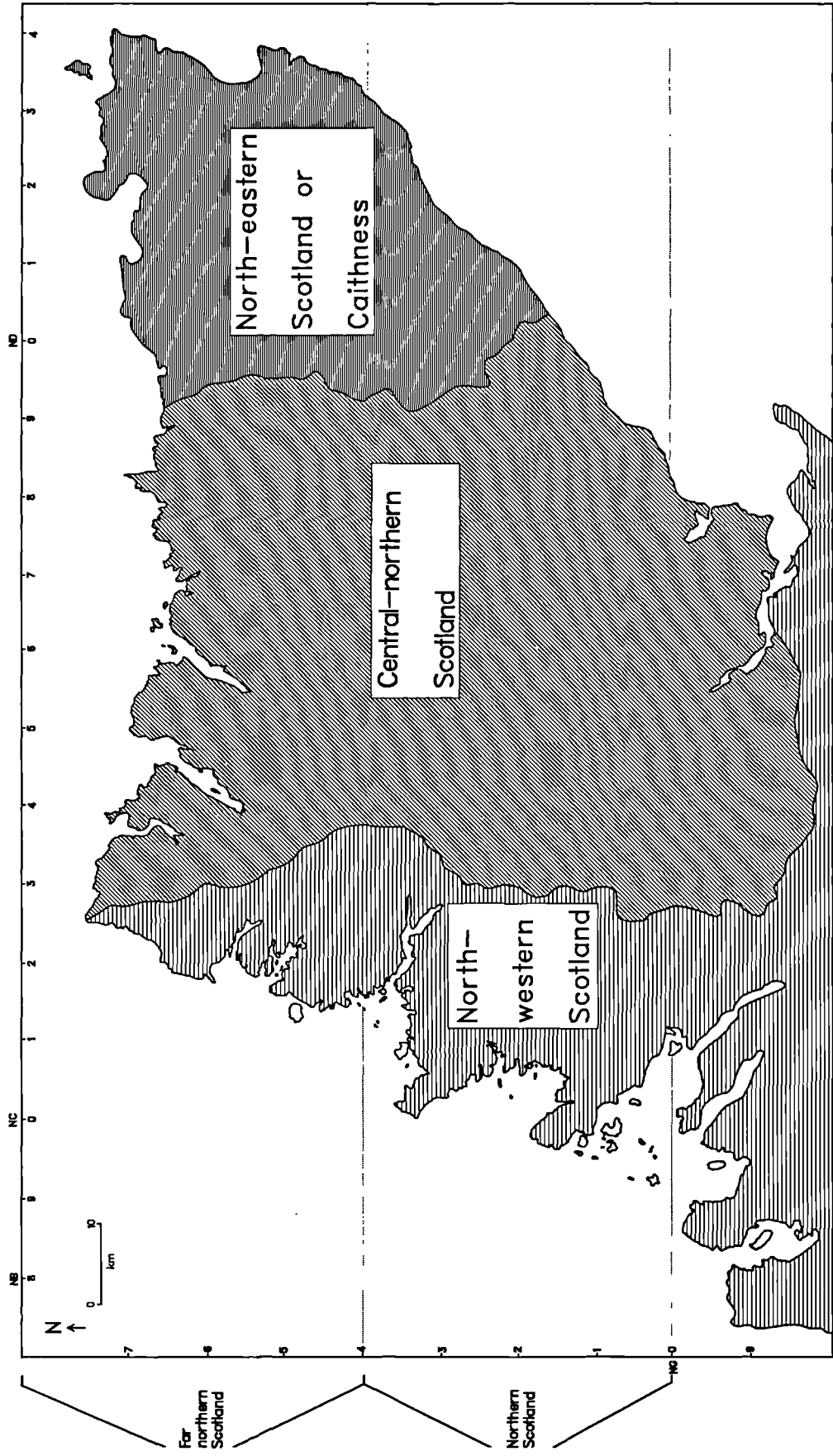


Fig. 2.1b The location of places mentioned in the text

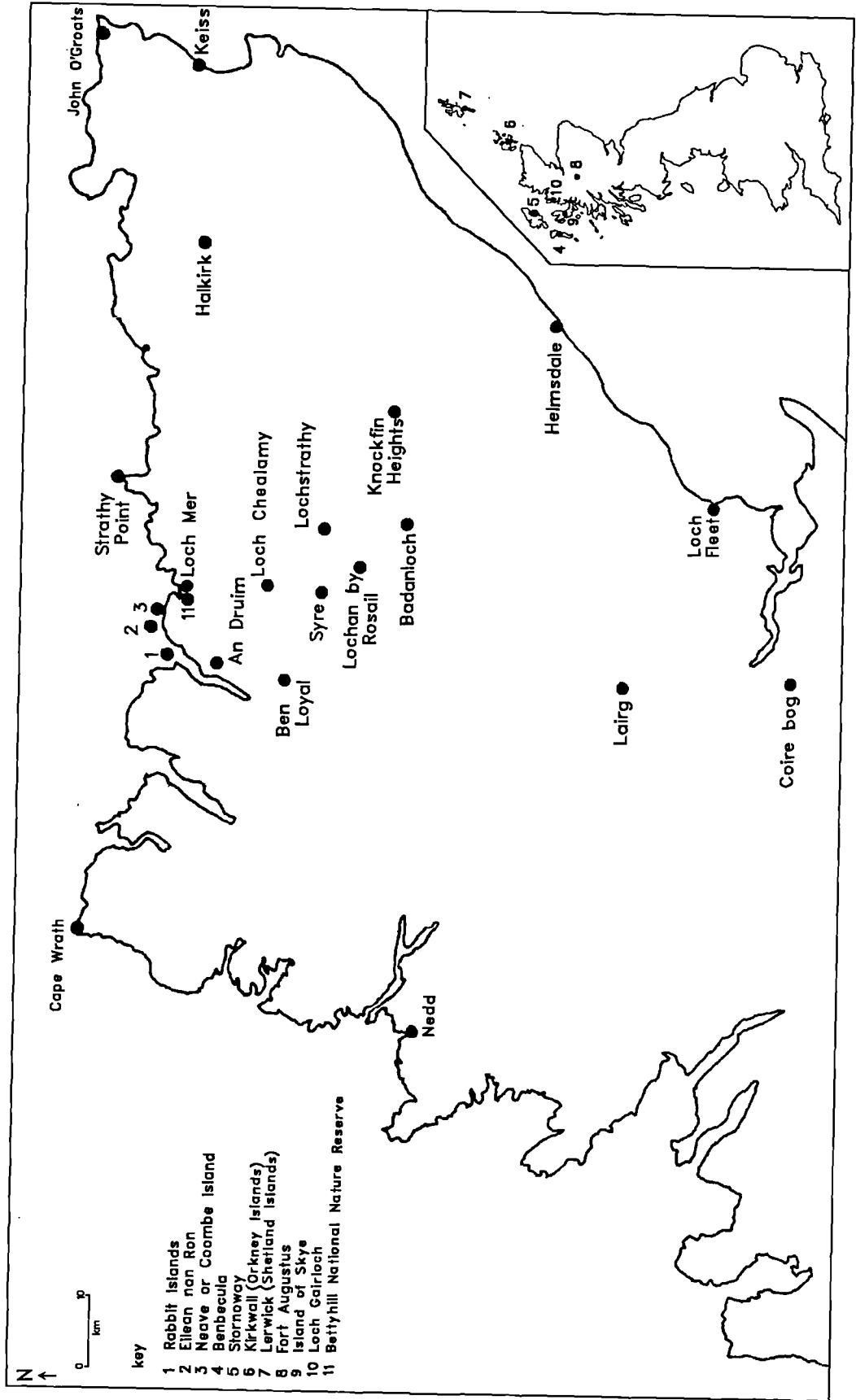


Fig. 2.2a Generalised relief map of northern Scotland



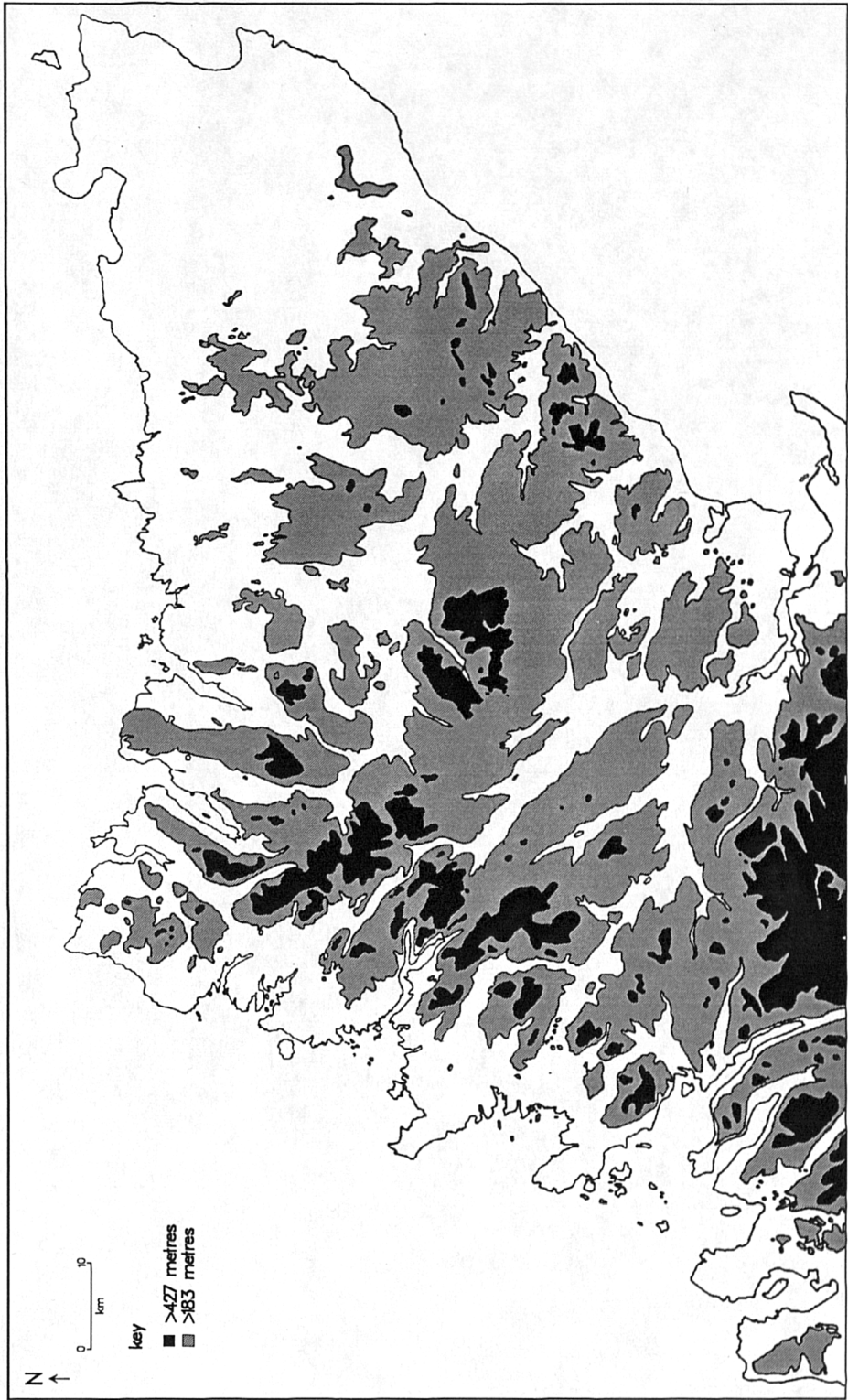


Fig. 2.2b Principal lochs and rivers of northern Scotland

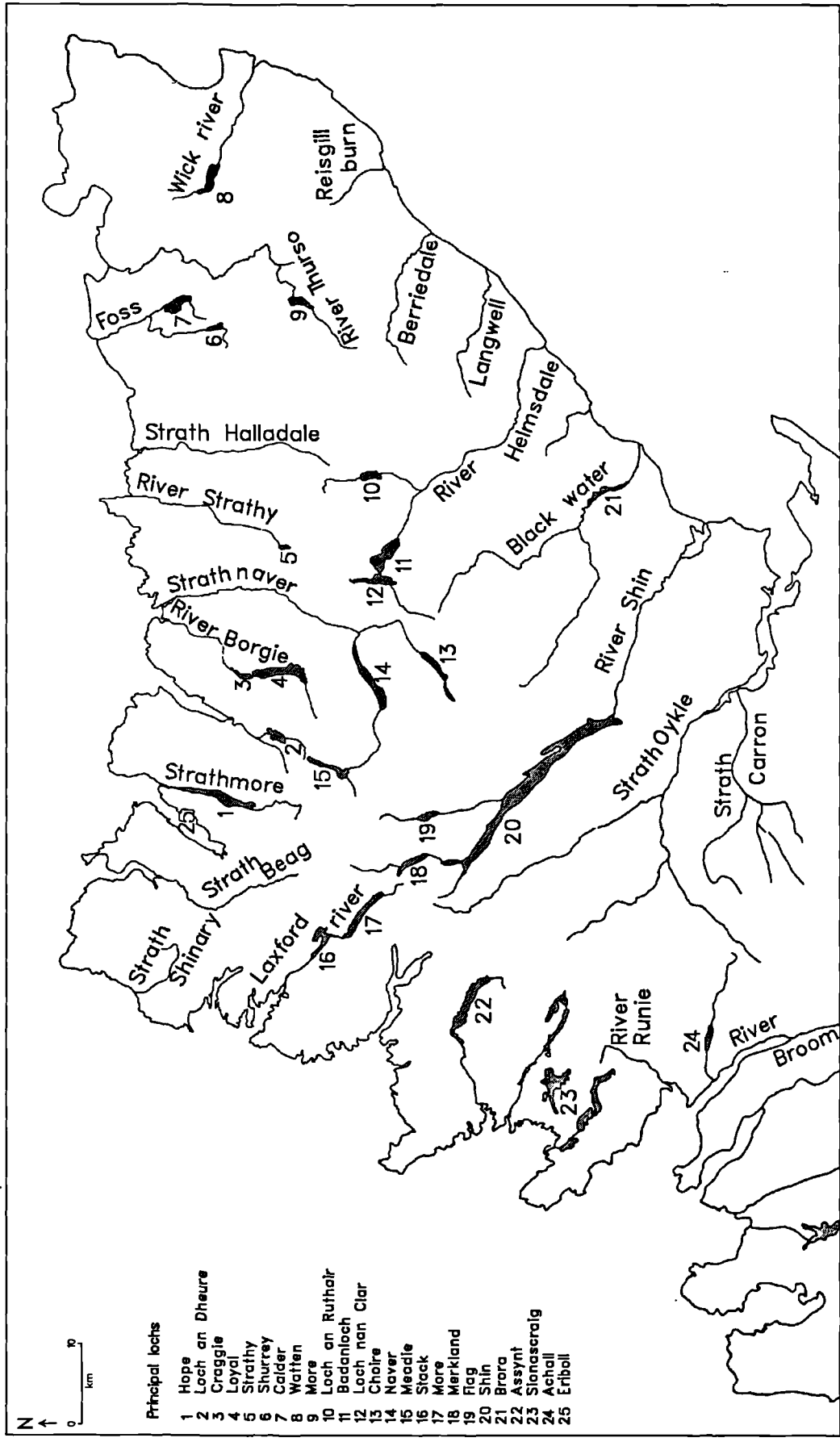


Fig. 2.3a Generalised solid geology of northern Scotland (redrawn from Fitty and Towers, 1982)

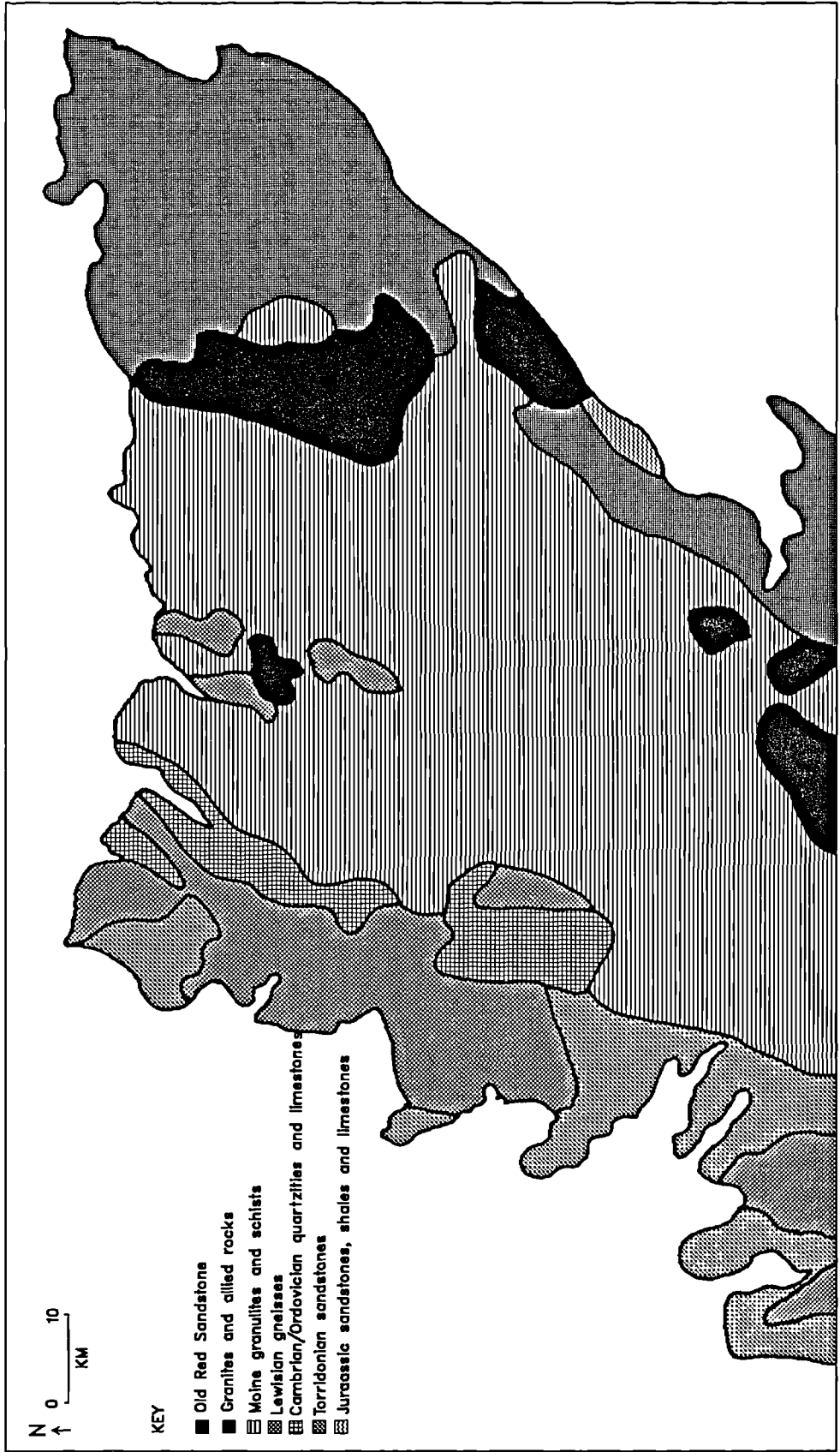


Fig. 2.3b Superficial geology and Quaternary deposits of northern Scotland (redrawn from the Geological Survey Ten Mile Map. North Sheet, 1st. edition, Quaternary, 1977. 1:625,000).



Fig. 2.4 Generalised soil map of northern Scotland (redrawn from the Atlas of Britain and Northern Ireland, 1949).

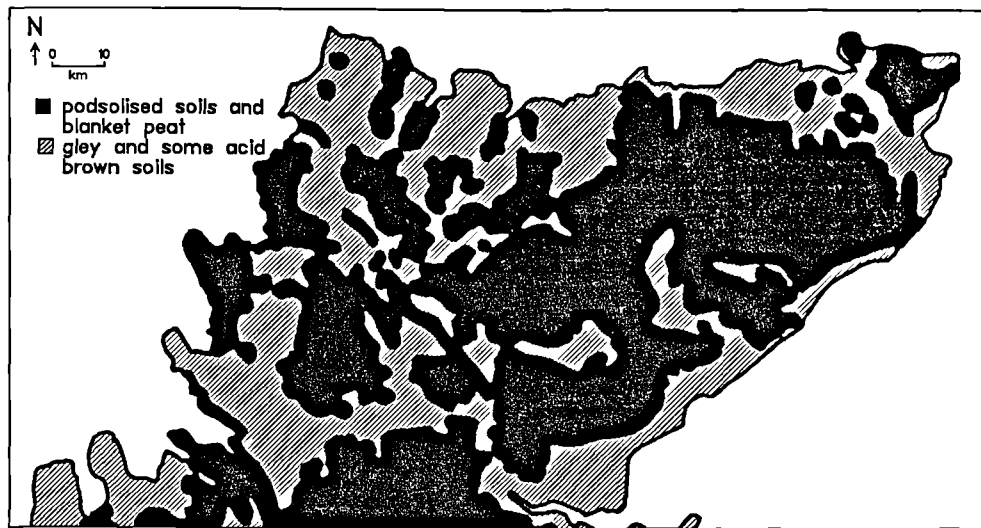


Fig. 2.5ai Mean January temperature in northern Scotland (redrawn from Omand, 1985)

Fig. 2.5aii Mean July temperature in northern Scotland (redrawn from Omand, 1985)

Fig. 2.5b Average annual precipitation in northern Scotland (redrawn from Fitty and Towers, 1982)

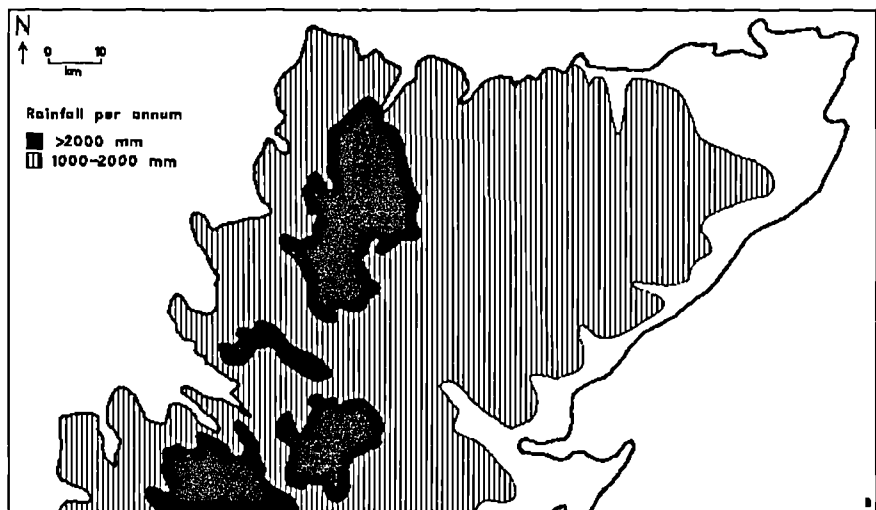
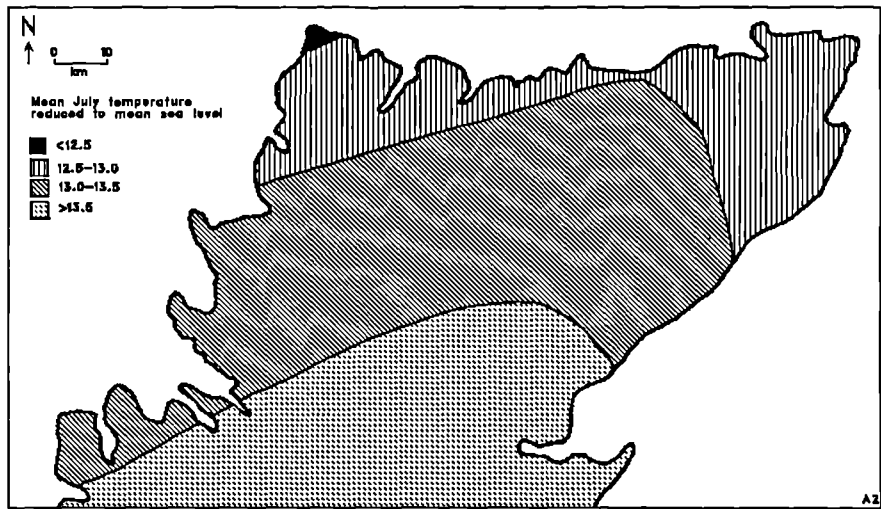
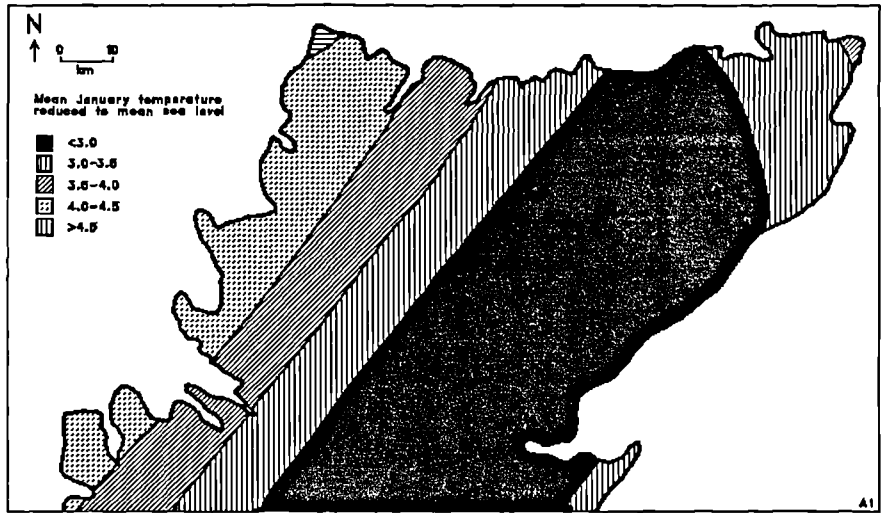


Fig. 2.6a Generalised vegetation map of northern Scotland (redrawn from the New Oxford Atlas, 1975)

Fig. 2.6b Present extent of birch woodlands in northern Scotland (redrawn from McVean and Ratcliffe, 1962)

Fig. 2.6c The distribution of native *Pinus sylvestris* woodlands (redrawn from Steven and Carlisle, 1959)

Fig. 2.6d The main tendencies in woodland composition in northern Scotland (redrawn from Perring and Walters, 1962)

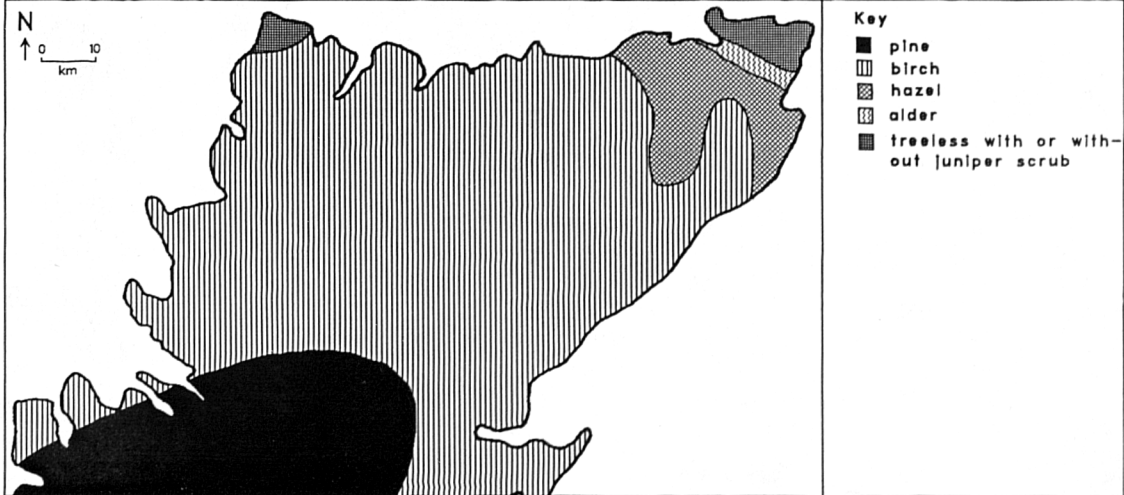
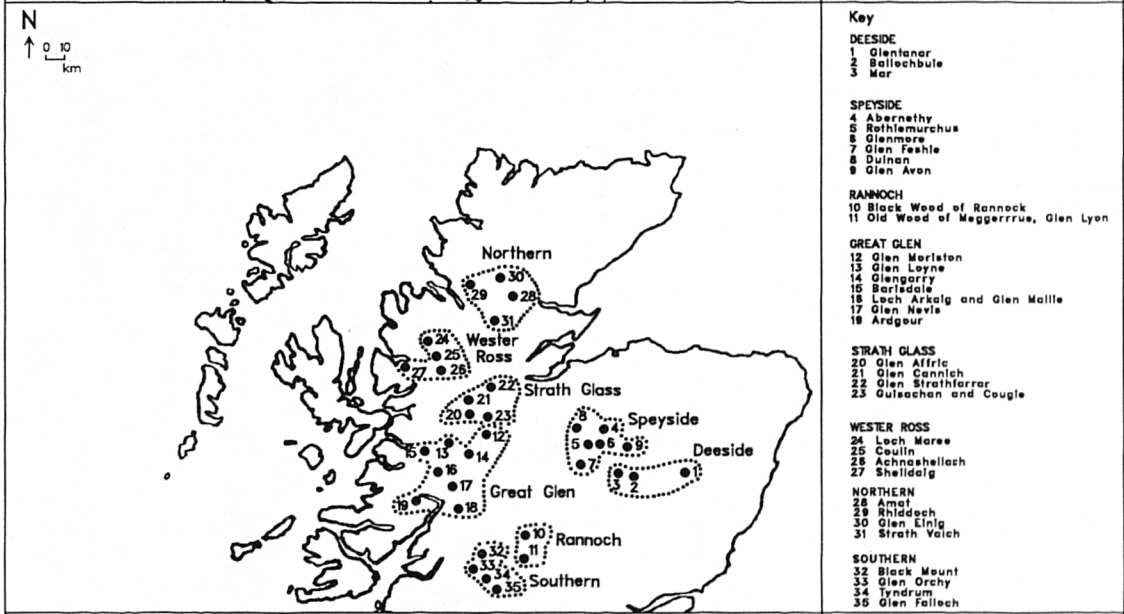


Fig. 2.7a The locations of pre-historic burial chambers in Sutherland (redrawn from Henshall, 1985)

Fig. 2.7b The locations of early-Christian settlements in Sutherland (redrawn from Omand and Talbot, 1985)

Fig. 2.7c The clearance settlements of Strathnaver (redrawn from Bangor-Jones, 1987)

Fig. 2.7d The principal contemporary settlements of Sutherland

Note the dotted lines demarkate the area under consideration on each map.

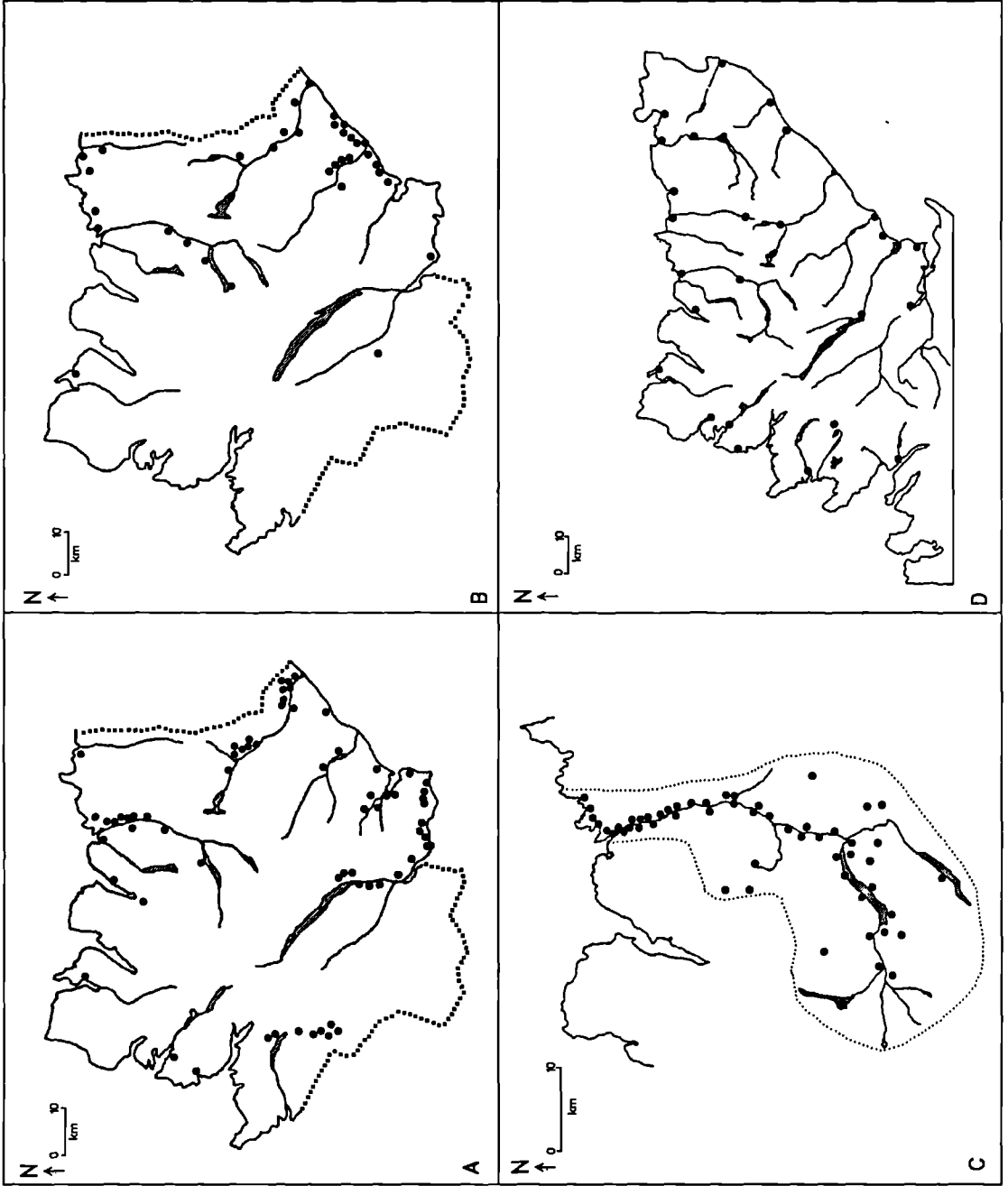


Fig. 2.8 Predicted average July wind speeds in northern Scotland (redrawn from White and Smith, 1982)

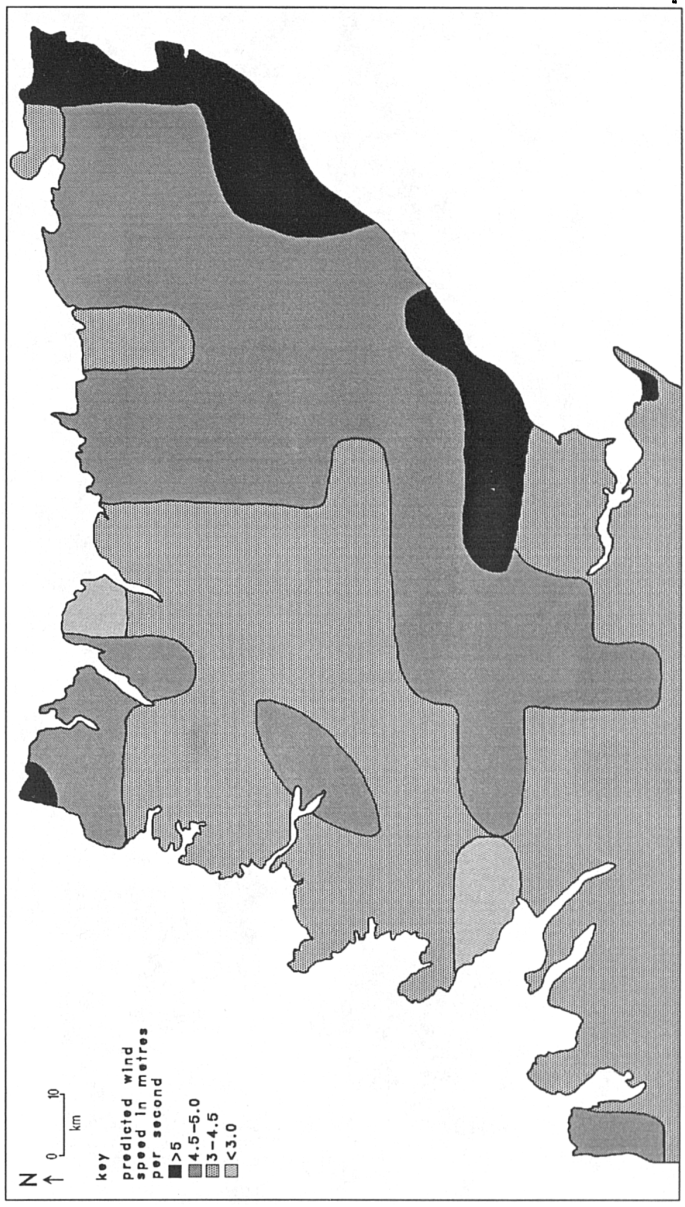


Fig. 3.1 The geographical areas covered by the three sensors used in this project

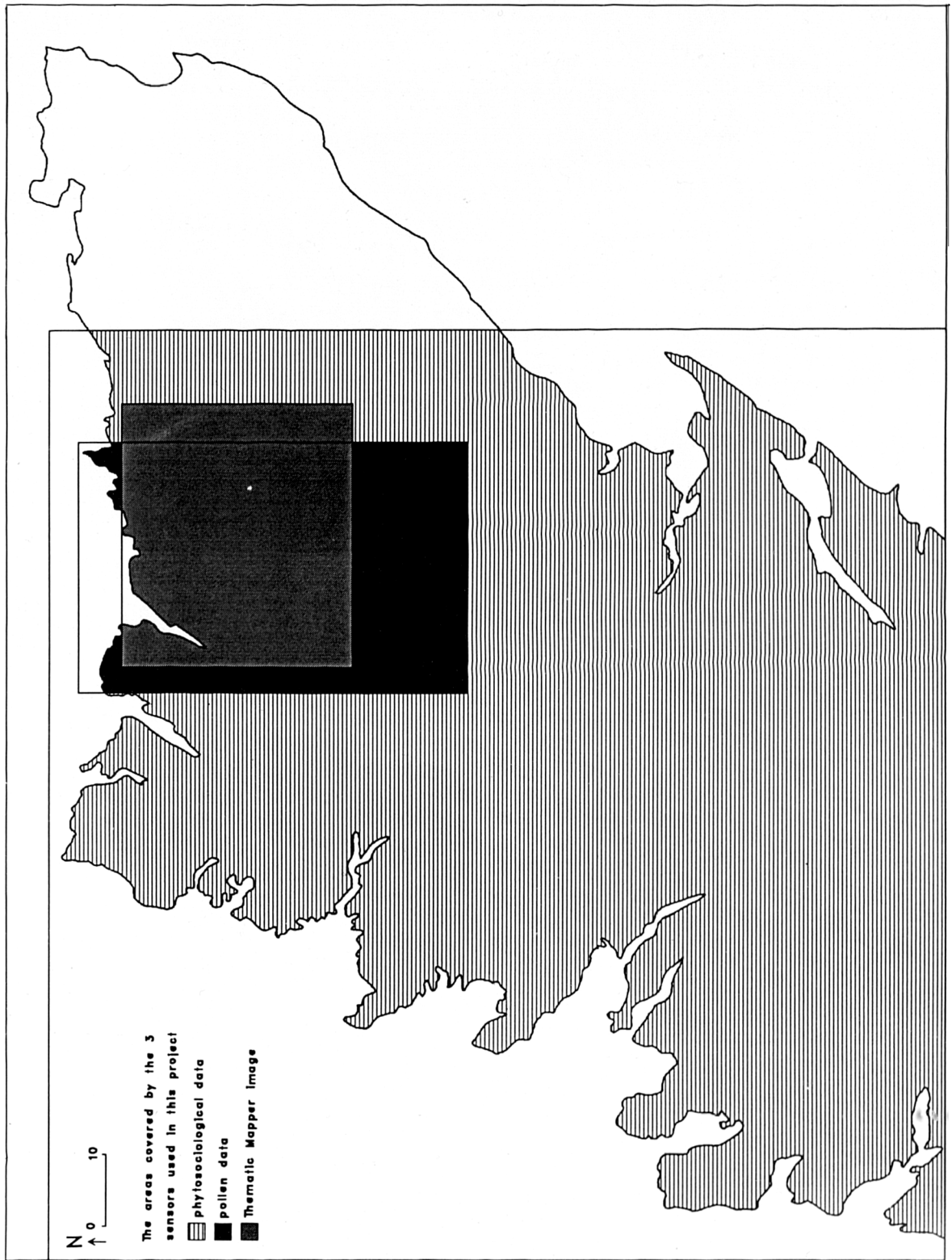


Fig. 3.2 The geographical location of all the relevés plotted on a 10 km grid square basis

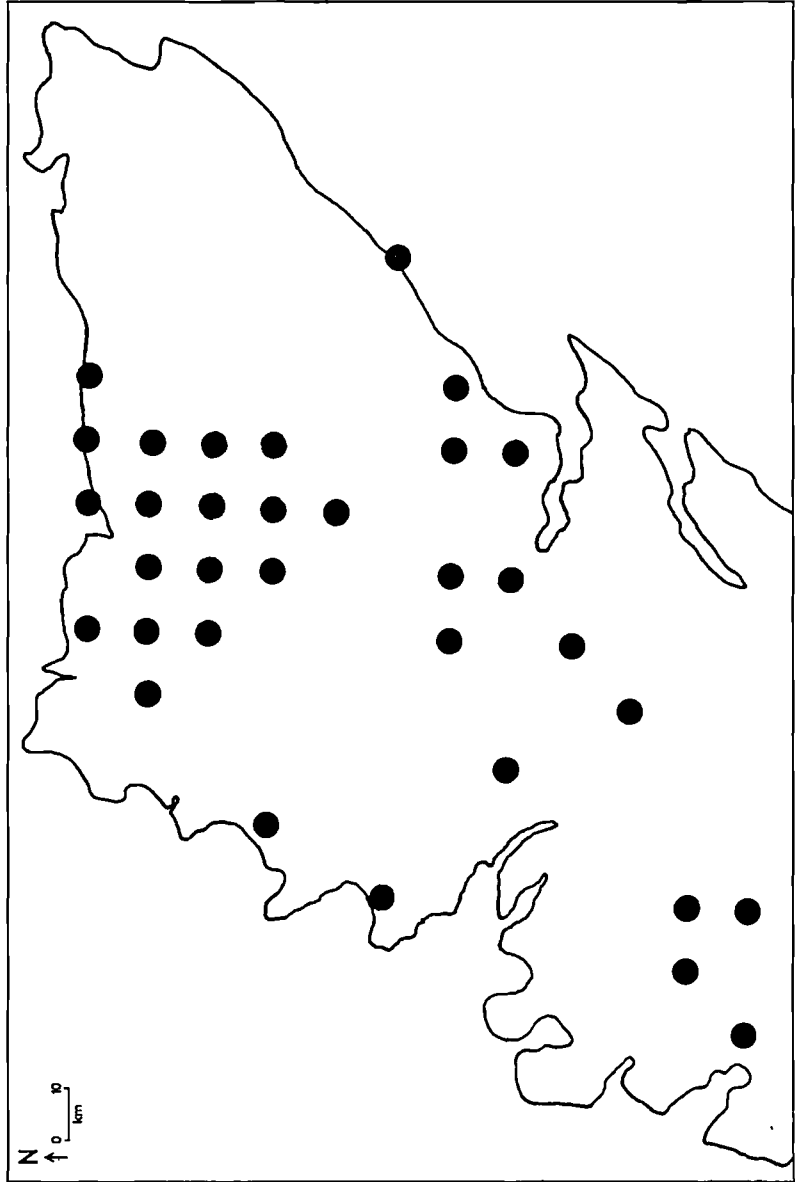


Fig. 3.3 Altitude of sites located within each nodum. The noda have been plotted along the x axis and are grouped into the following categories: birch woods, willow scrub, alder woods, dwarf-shrub heath or bog and grasslands.

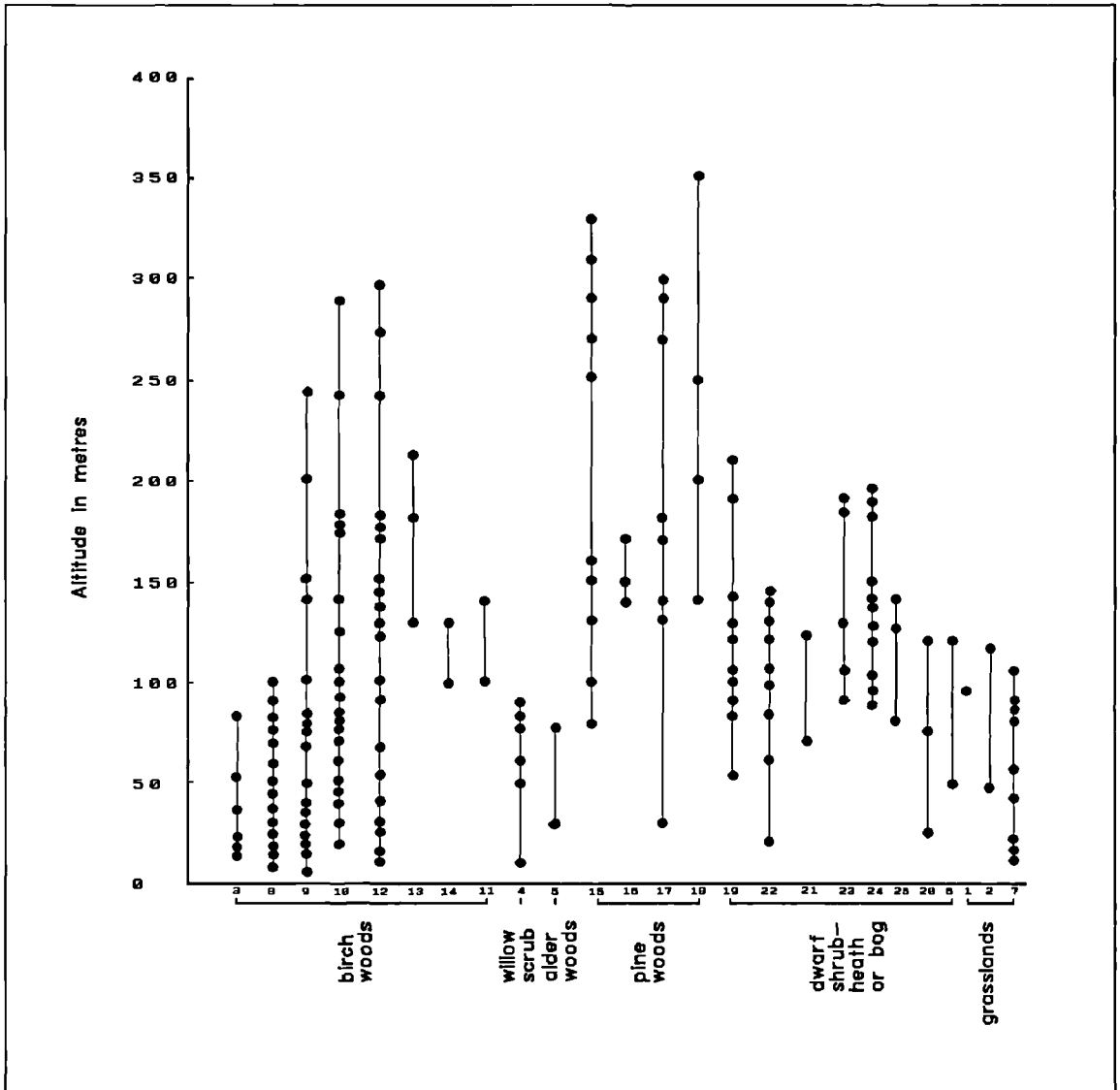


Fig. 3.4 Splitting diagram of the vegetation classification based on TWINSpan

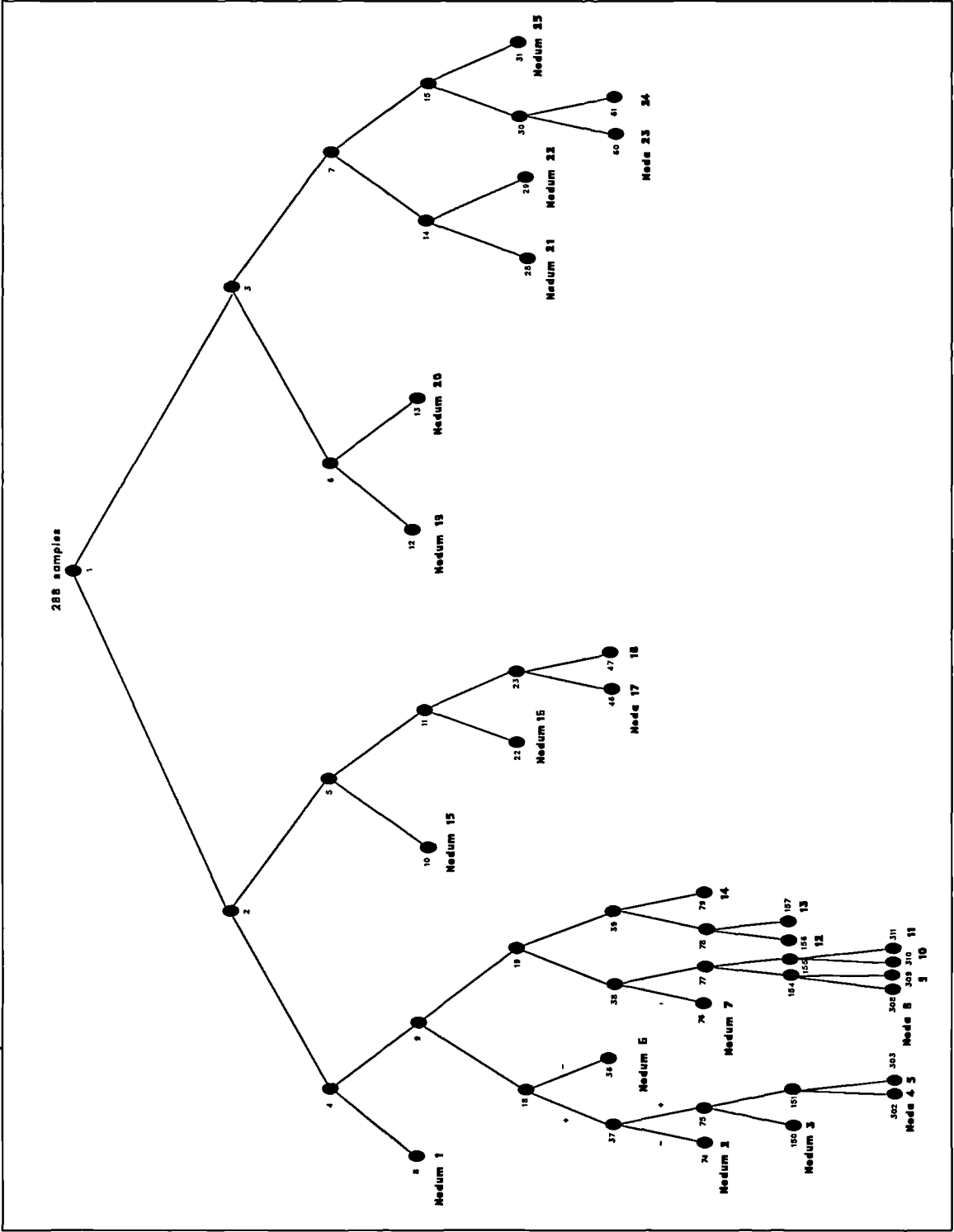
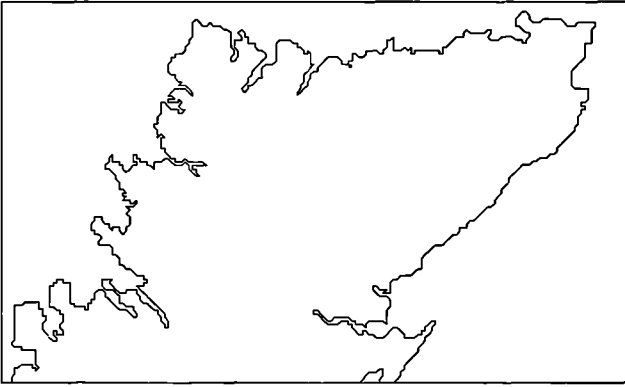
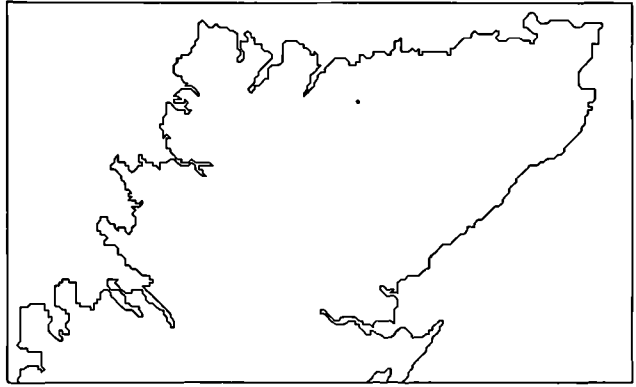


Fig. 3.5a-h The geographical location of the relevés for each nodum plotted on a 1 km grid square basis

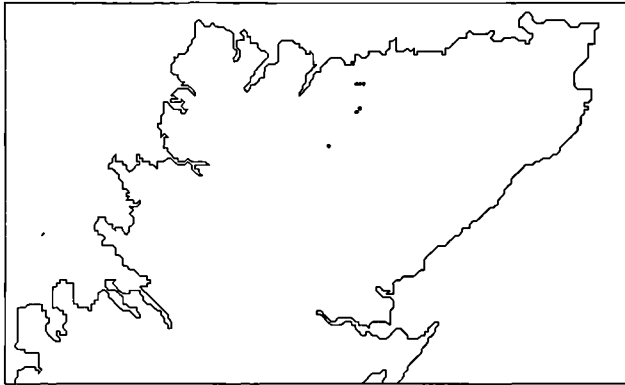
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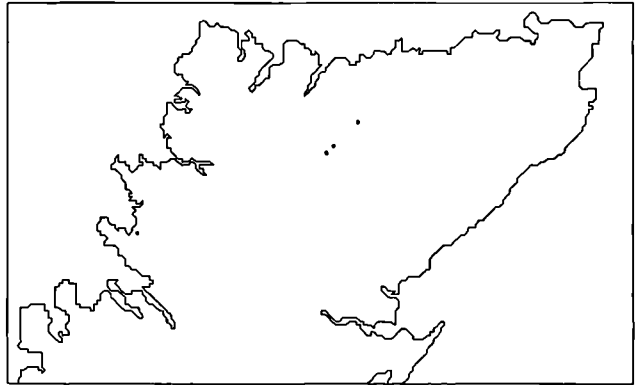
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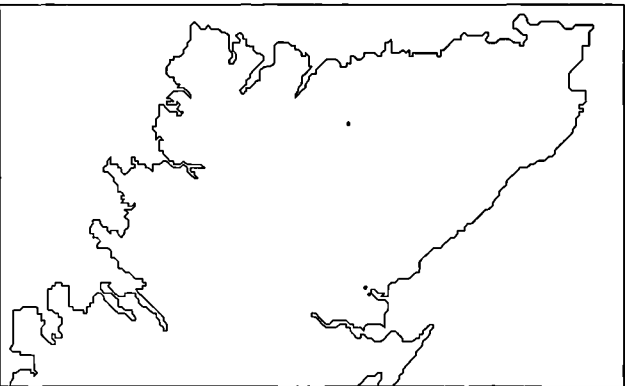
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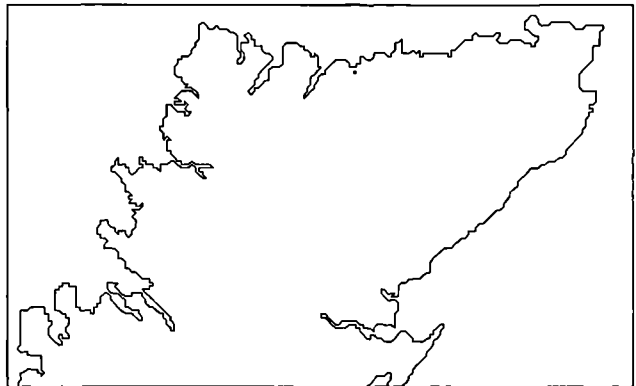
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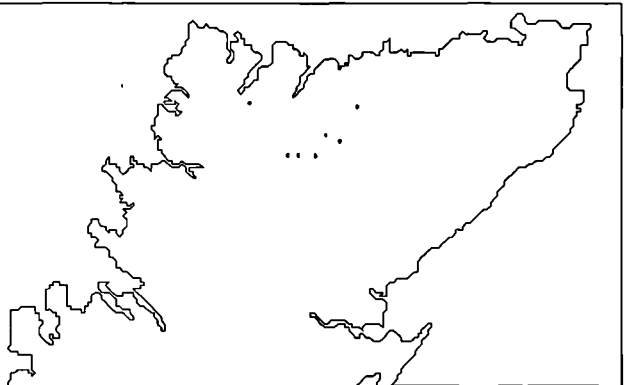
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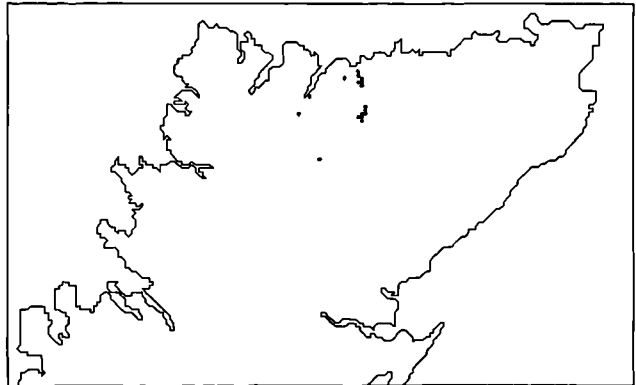
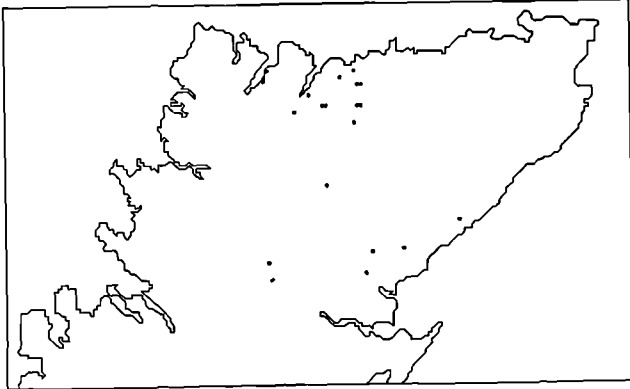
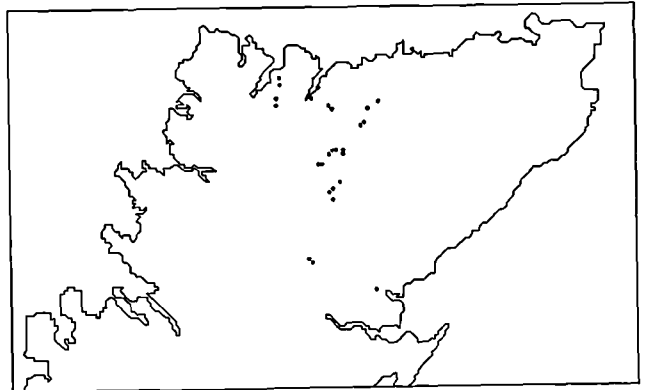


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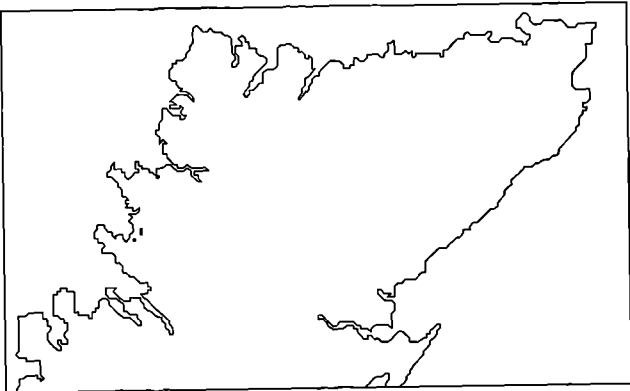
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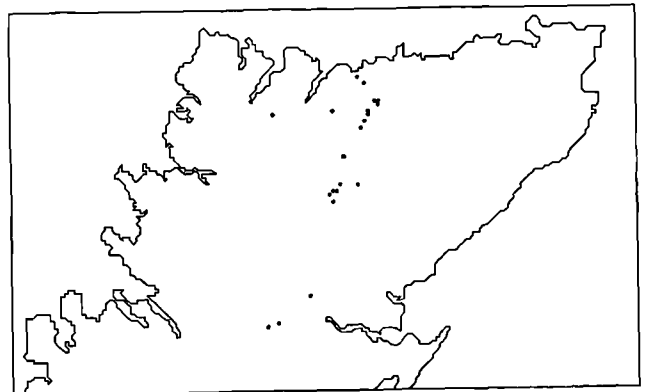
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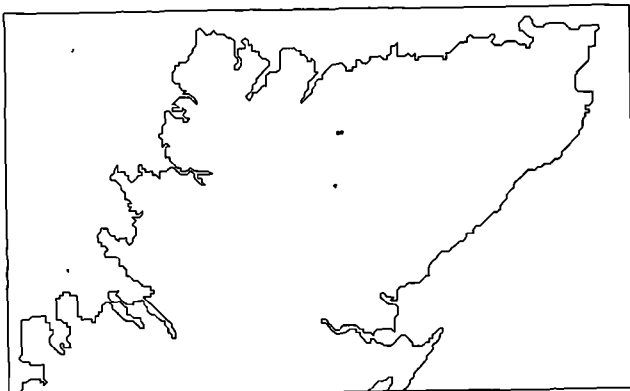
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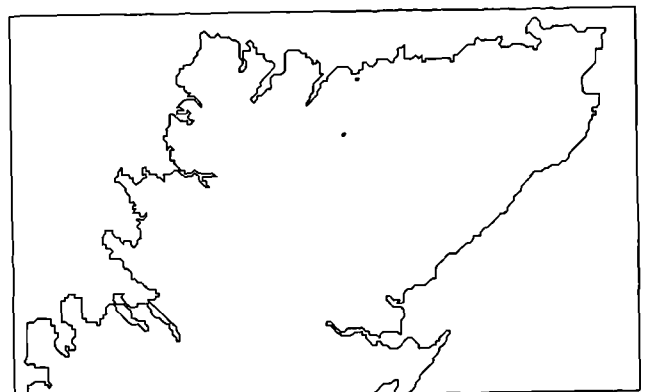
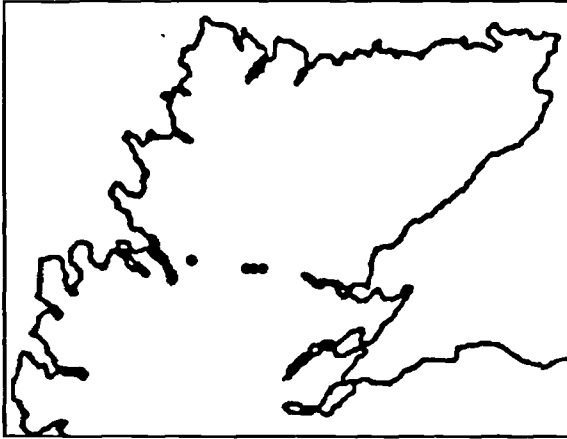
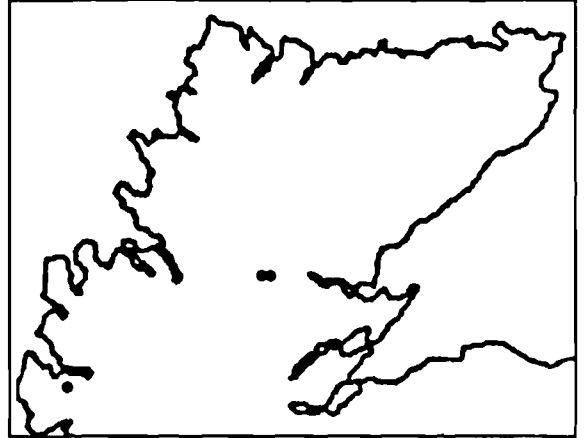


Fig. 3.5o-r The geographical location of the relevés for each nodum plotted on a 1 km grid square basis

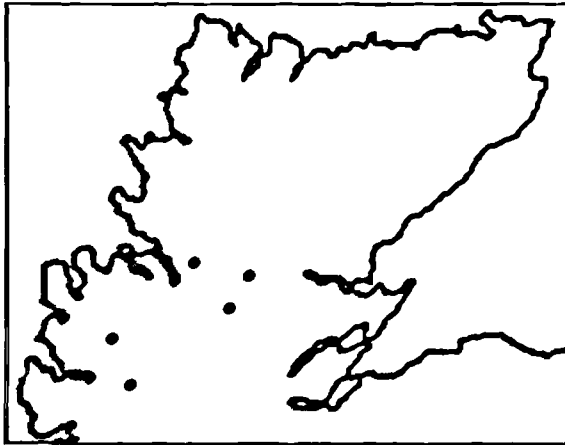
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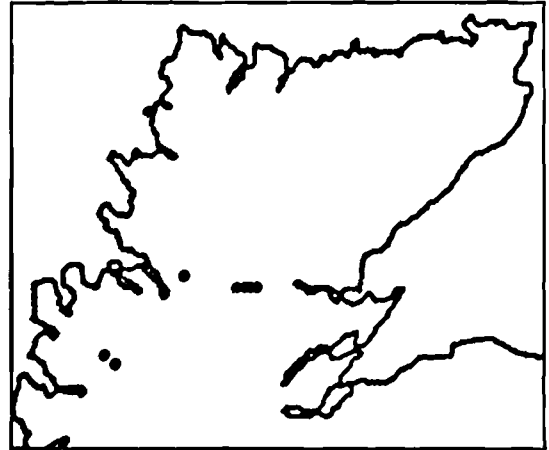
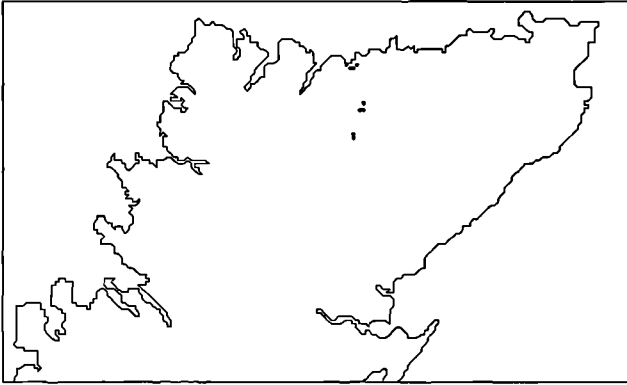
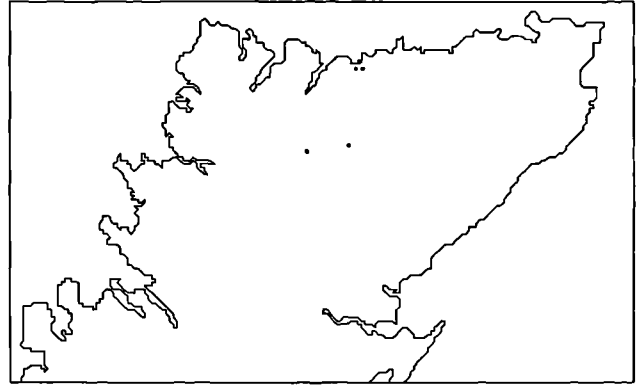


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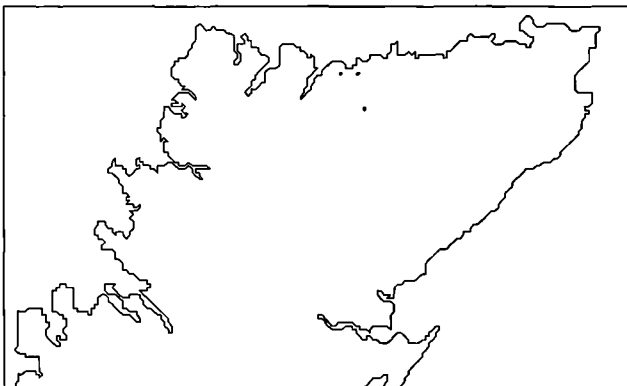
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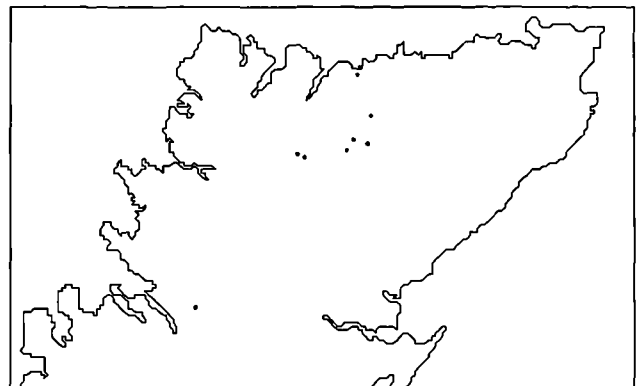
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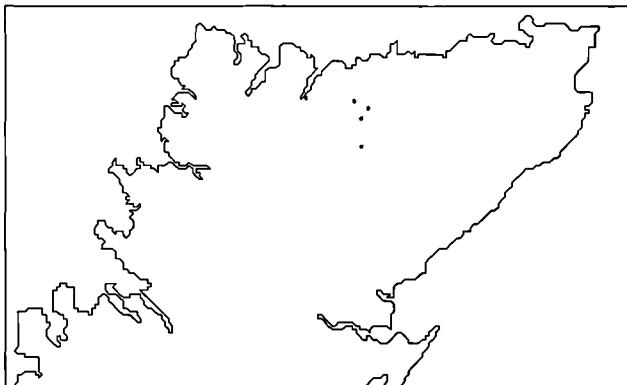
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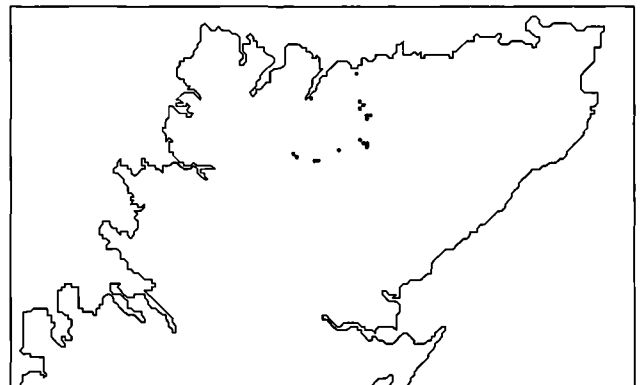
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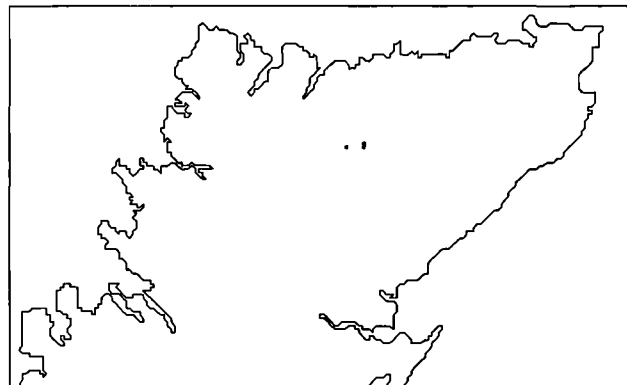


Fig. 3.6 Noda 1-25 plotted separately on axes 1 and 2 of DECORANA. The numbers in the figure are the noda code numbers found in Table 3.3. Note that group A has been divided into two sub-groups ai and all.

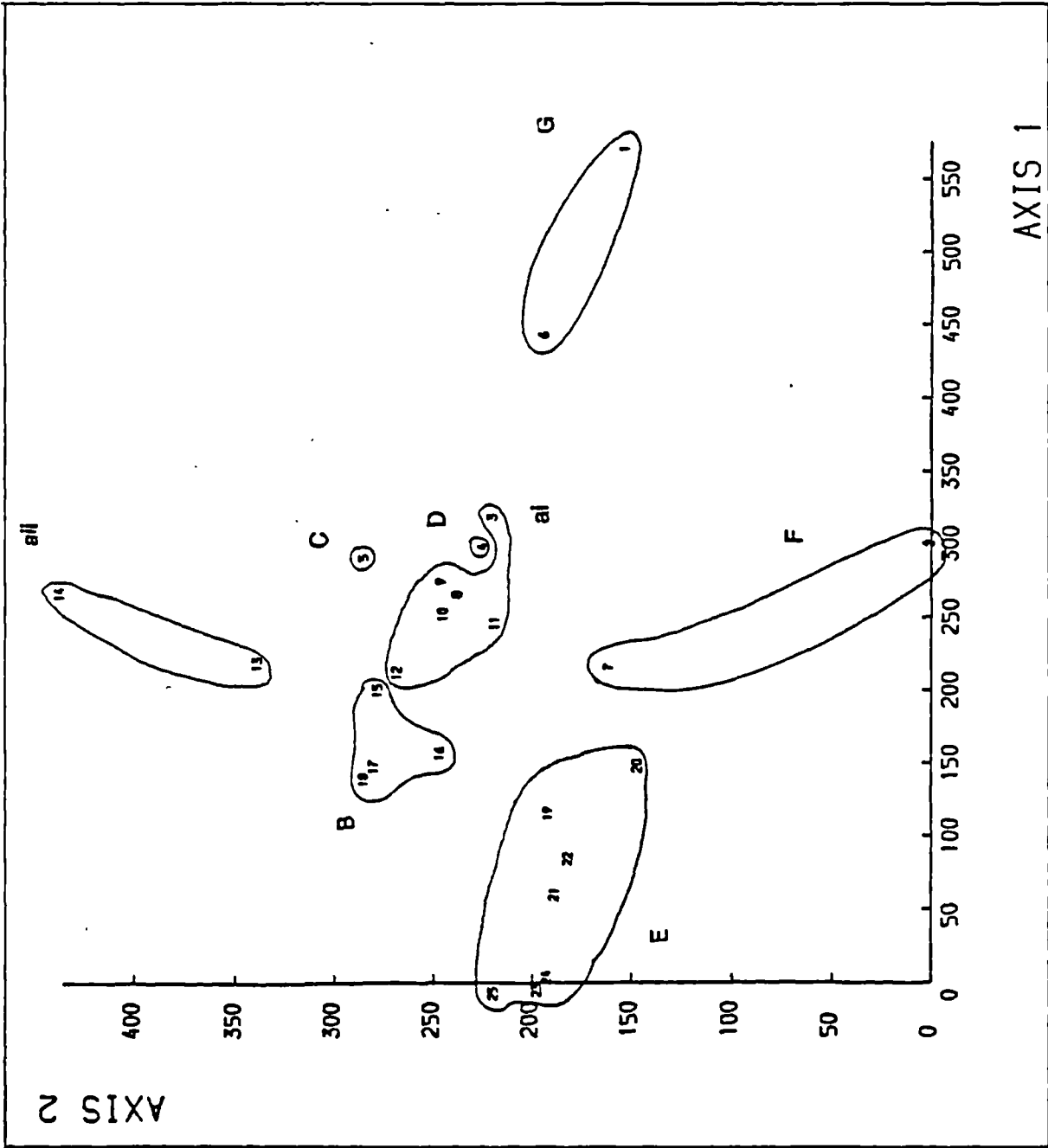


Fig. 3.7a-o The positions of the noda on the first and second axes of DECORANA

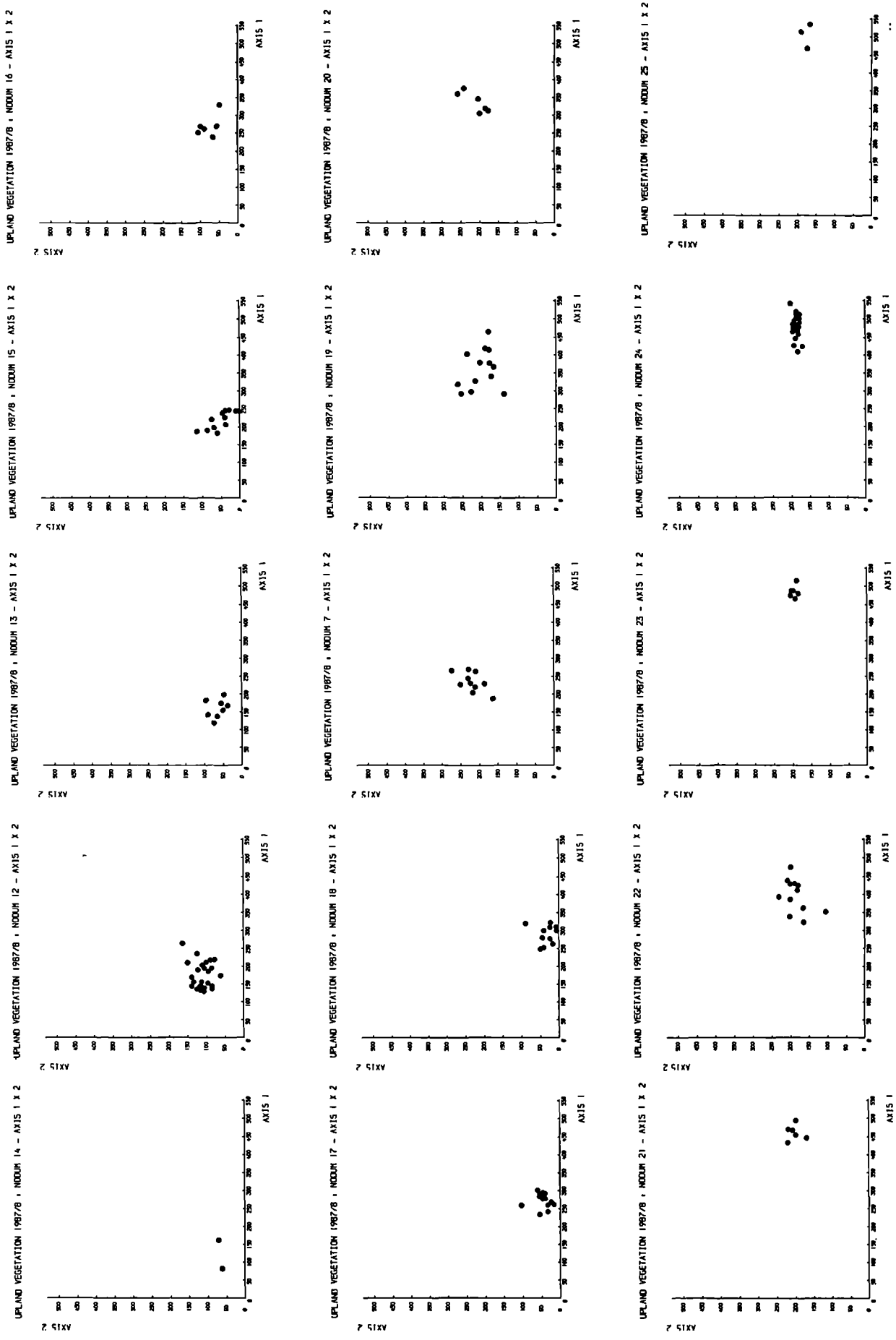
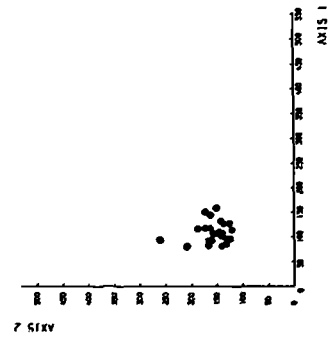
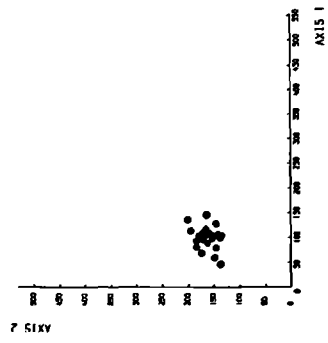


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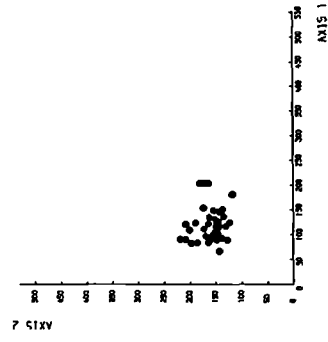
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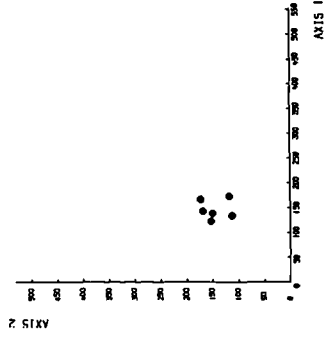
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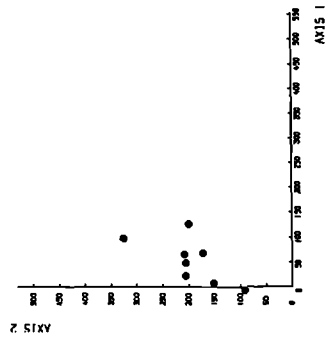
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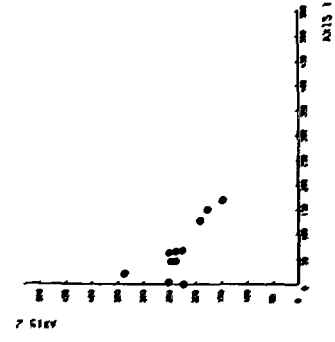
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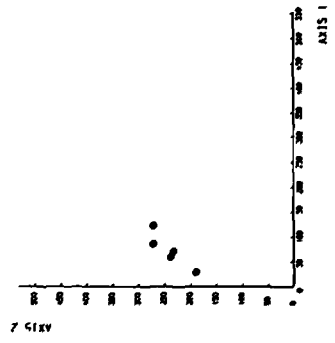
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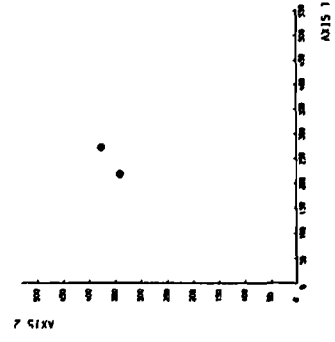
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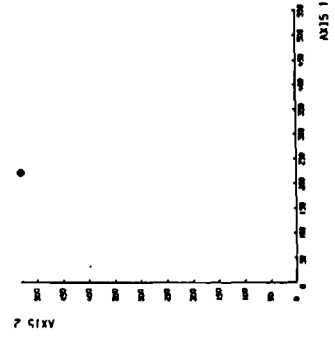
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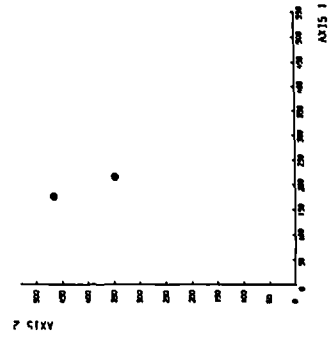
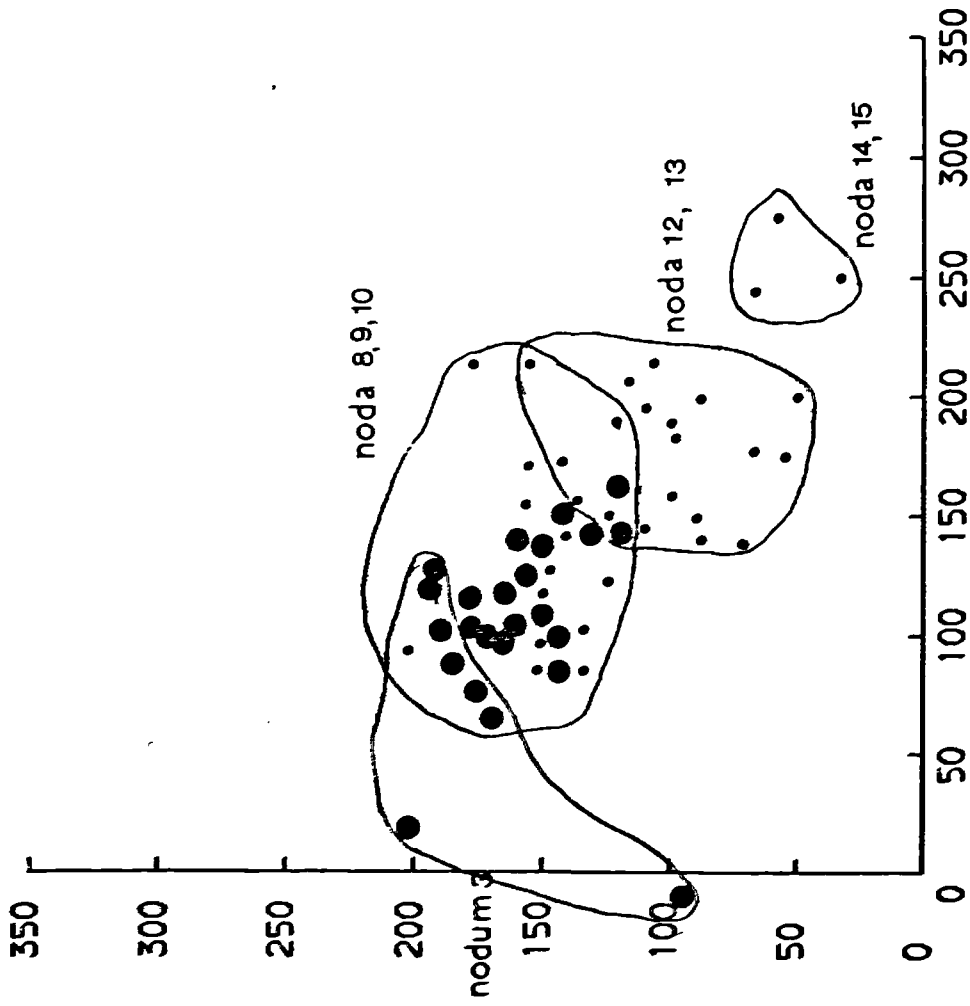


Fig. 3.7z DECORANA plot of the birch relevés classified according to whether they were established before 1750 (characterised by large dots) or after 1750 (characterised by small dots).



AXIS 2

AXIS 1

Fig. 3.8 Noda classification by Thematic Mapper colour, Dendrogram of minimum variance clusters. The noda have been arbitrarily grouped into 7 clusters labelled A to G.

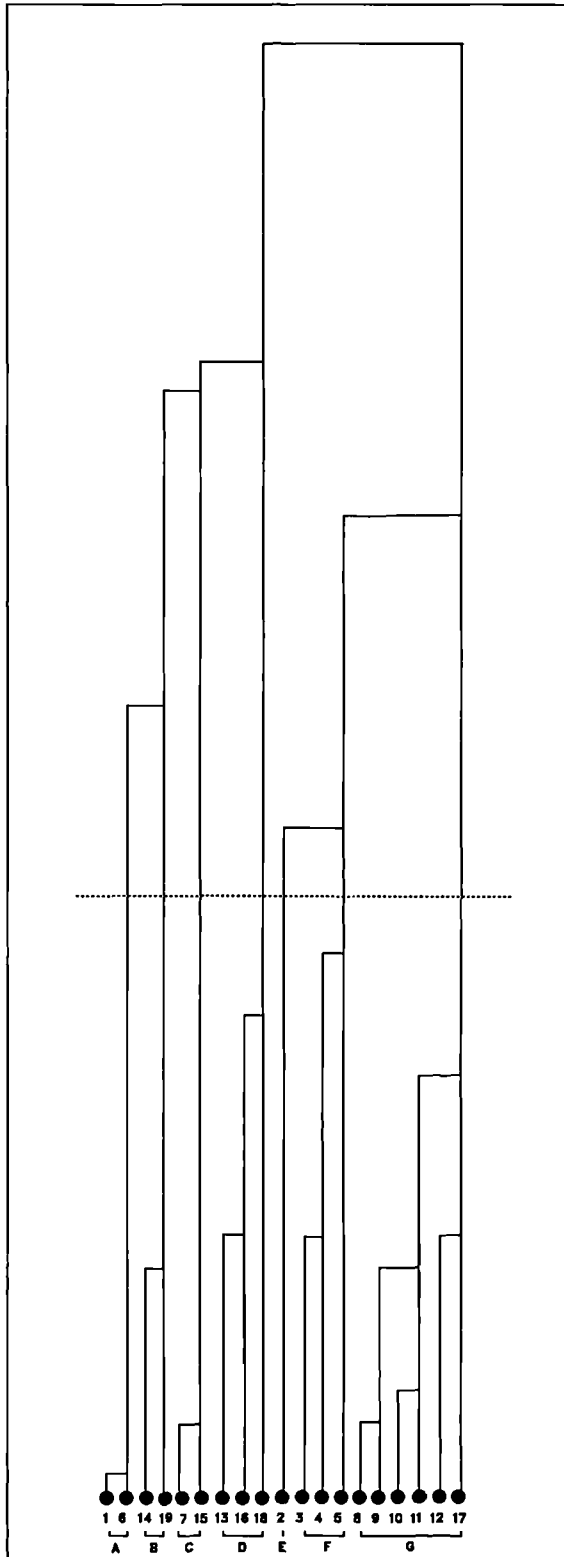


Fig. 3.9 Geographical location of the surface samples

Fig. 3.9a All sites used for the isopoll maps of northern Scotland. The sites are as follows: 1 = Loch Sionascraig (Pennington *et al*, 1972), 2 = Loch Assynt (Birks, 1980a), 3= An Druim (Birks, 1980a), 4 = Gaineamhach (site number 31 in table 3.19), 5 = Roundhill (site number 7), 6 = Lochan by Rosail (site number 23), 7 = Loch Chealamy (site number 22), 8 = Loch Mer (site number 21), 9 = Suisguill (Andrews *et al*, 1985), 10 = Loch Winless (Peglar, 1979), 11 = Ackhorn (Robinson, 1987), 12 = Hill of Harley (Huntley, J.P., 1989), 13=Dalcork, 14 = Torroble and 15 = Coire bog (Birks, 1975).

Fig. 3.9b Sites around Strathnaver. The numbers in this figure correspond to the site code numbers found in table 3.19.

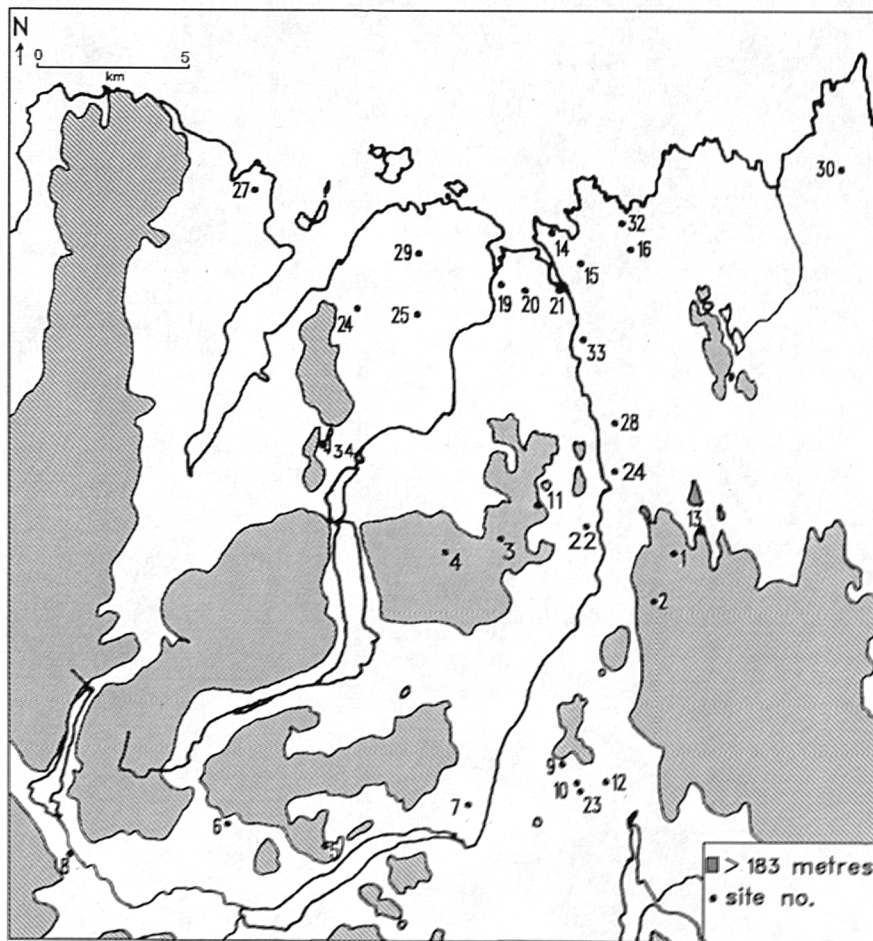
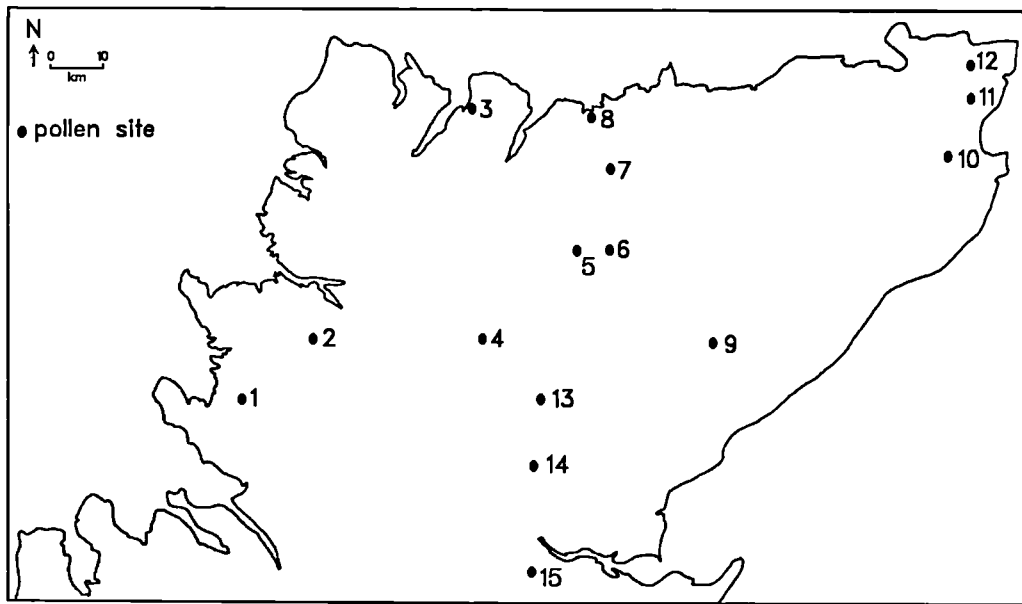


Fig. 3.10 Total land pollen diagram for the surface samples. The dots indicate the presence of birch woods within a 1 km radius

Fig. 3.11 Contour map of DECORANA surface sample scores for axis 1 for the area around Strathnaver

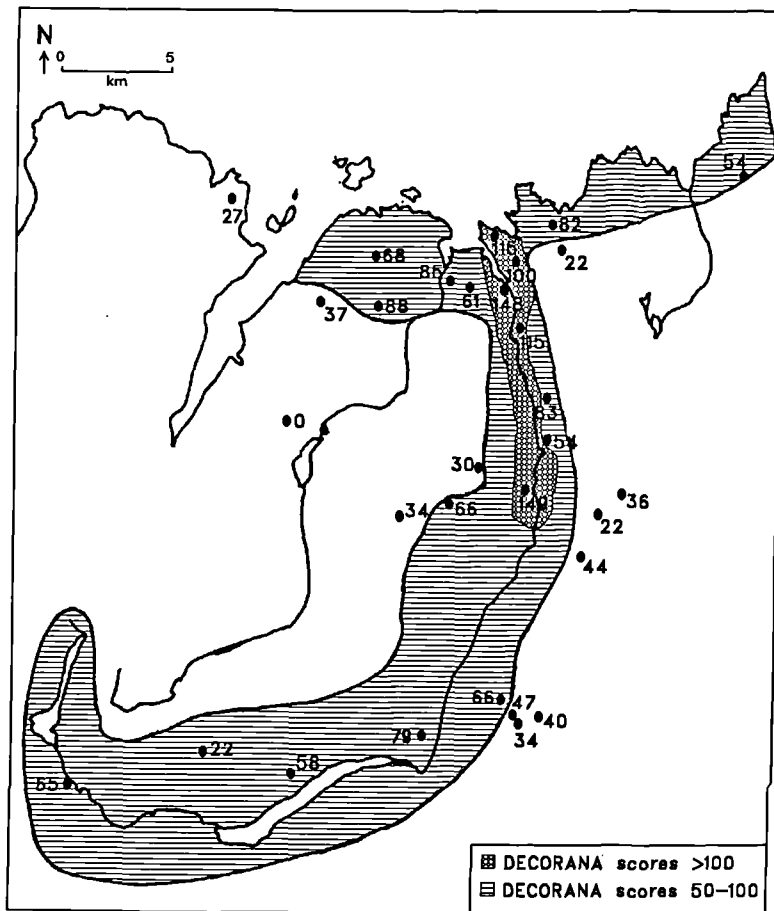


Fig. 3.12a *Betula* pollen values in northern Scotland

Fig. 3.12b Isopoll map of *Betula* pollen around Strathnaver

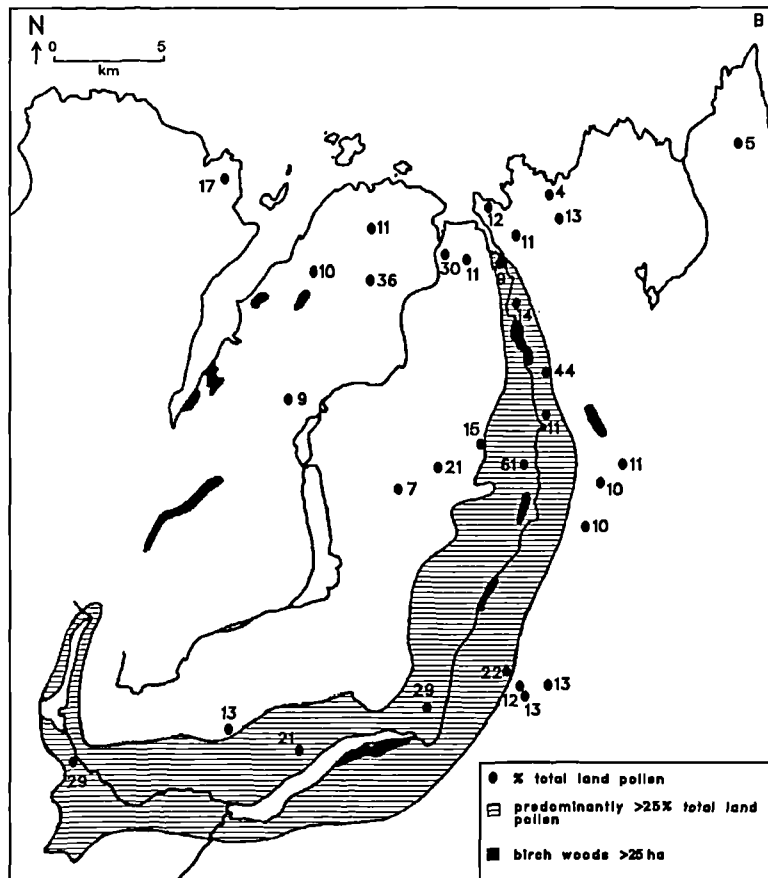
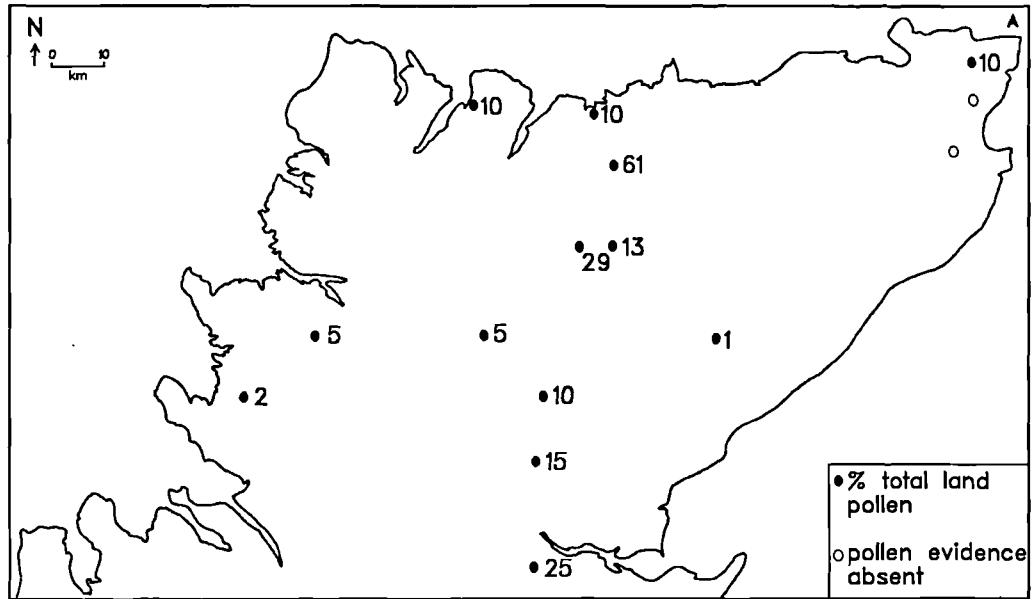


Fig. 3.13a *Calluna* pollen values in relation to peat distribution in northern Scotland

Fig. 3.13b *Calluna* pollen values in relation to peat distribution around Strathnaver

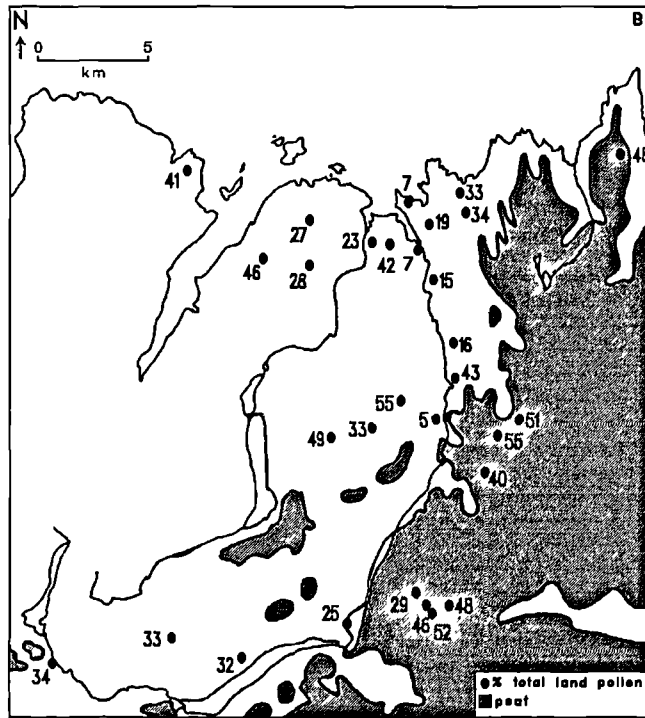
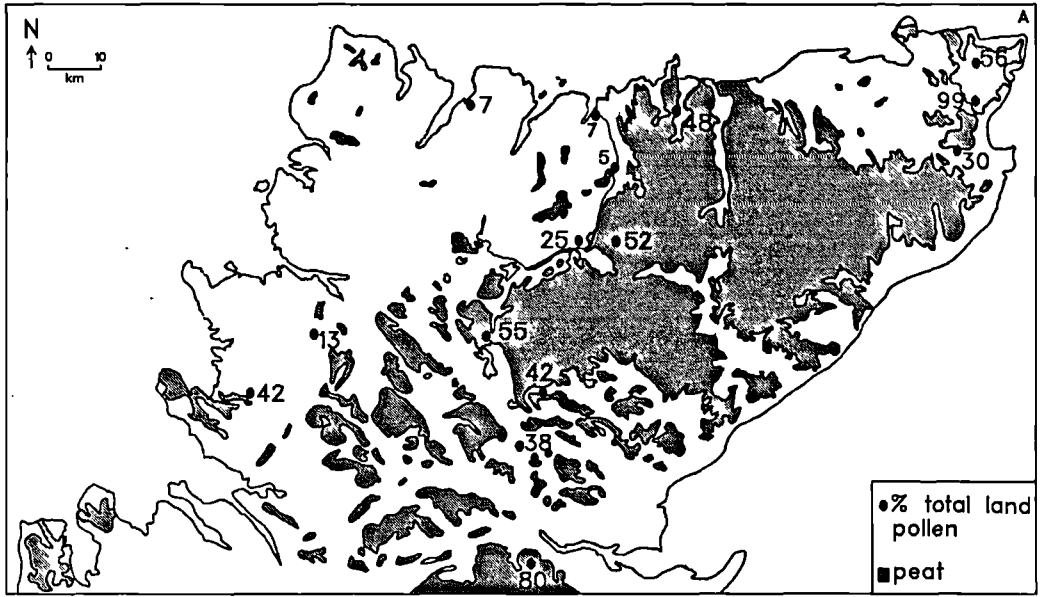


Fig. 3.14a Gramineae pollen values in northern Scotland

Fig. 3.14b Isopoll map of Gramineae pollen around Strathnaver

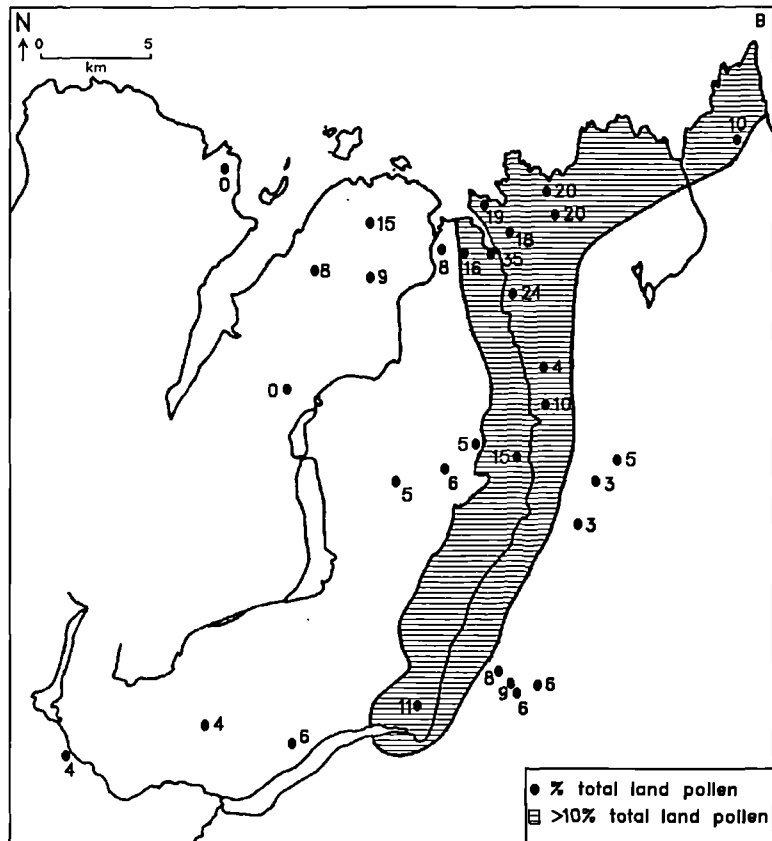
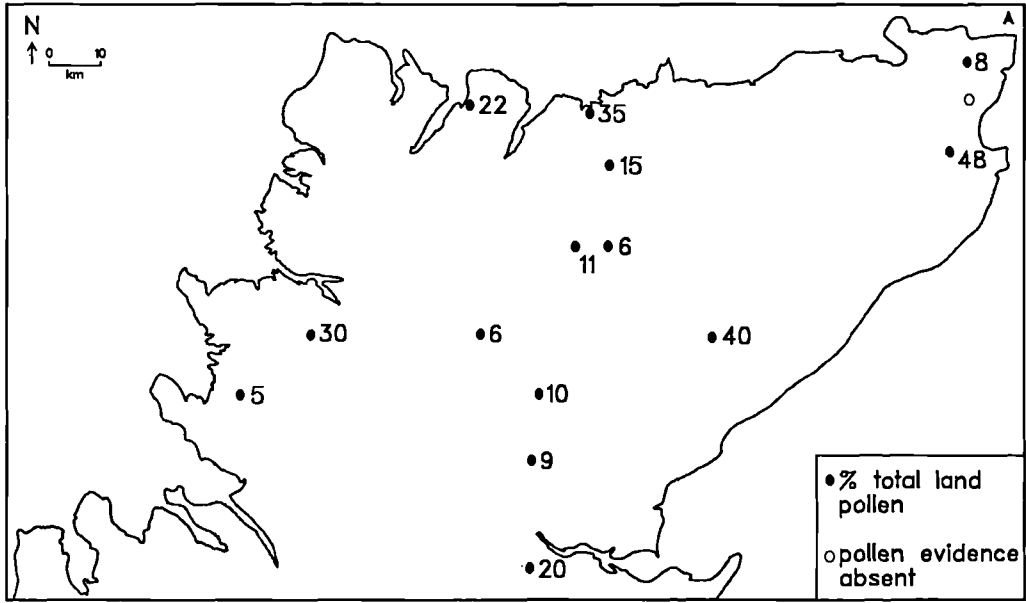


Fig. 3.15a *Pinus* pollen values in northern Scotland

Fig. 3.15b *Pinus* pollen values around Strathnaver

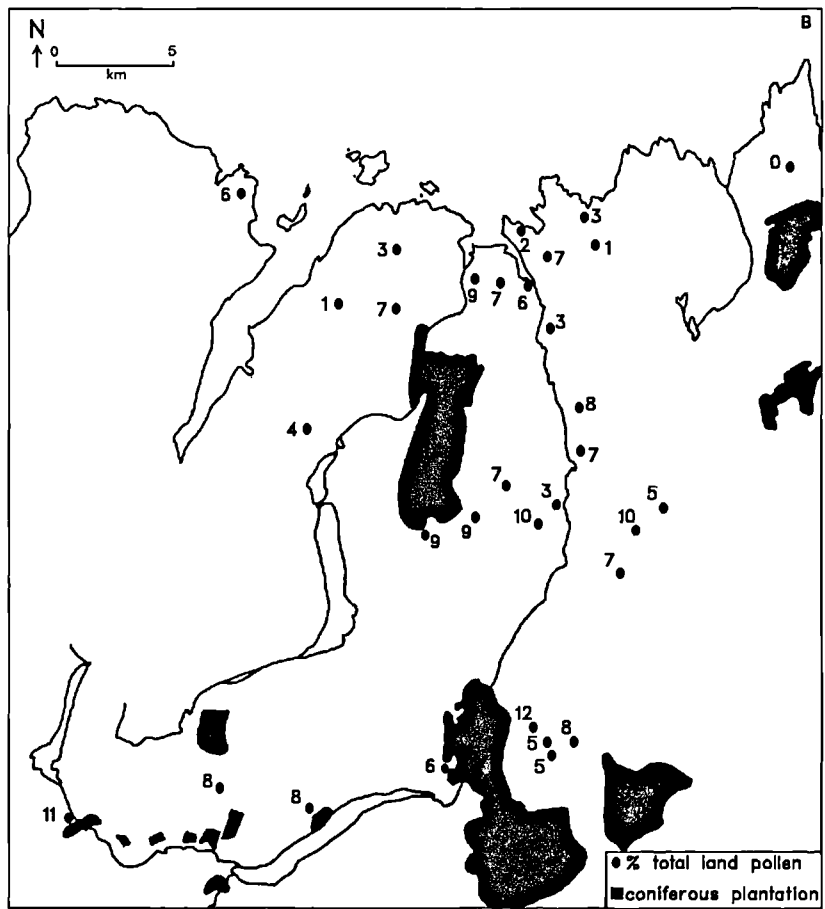
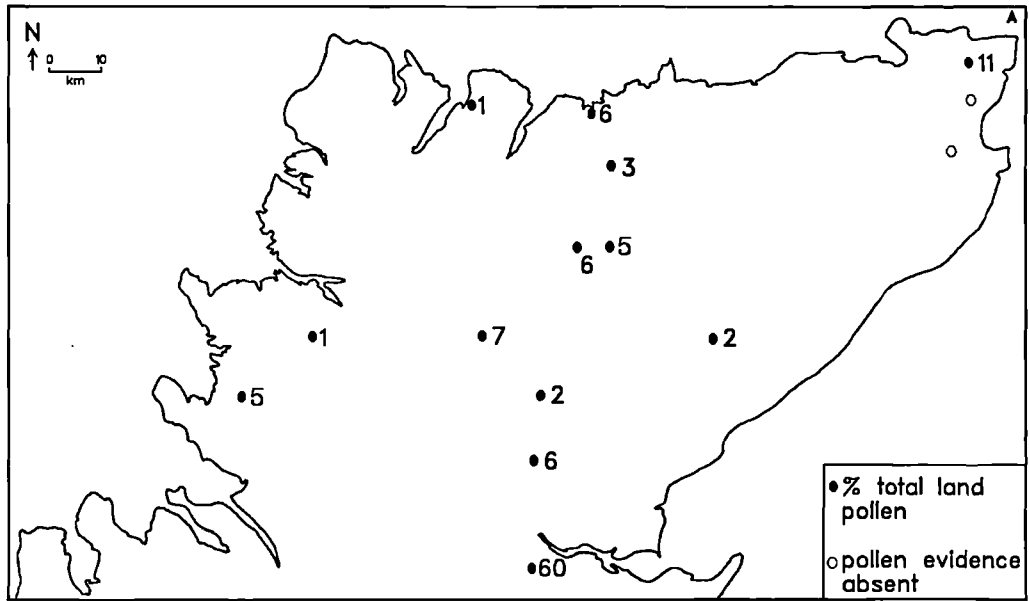


Fig. 3.16a Cyperaceae pollen values in northern Scotland

Fig. 3.16b Isopoll map of Cyperaceae pollen around Strathnaver

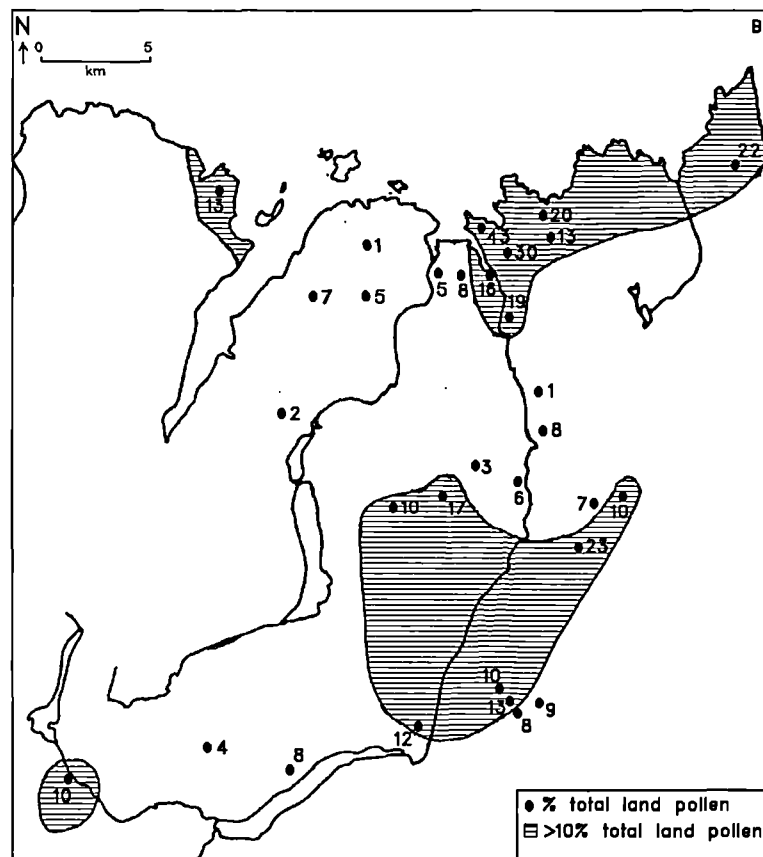
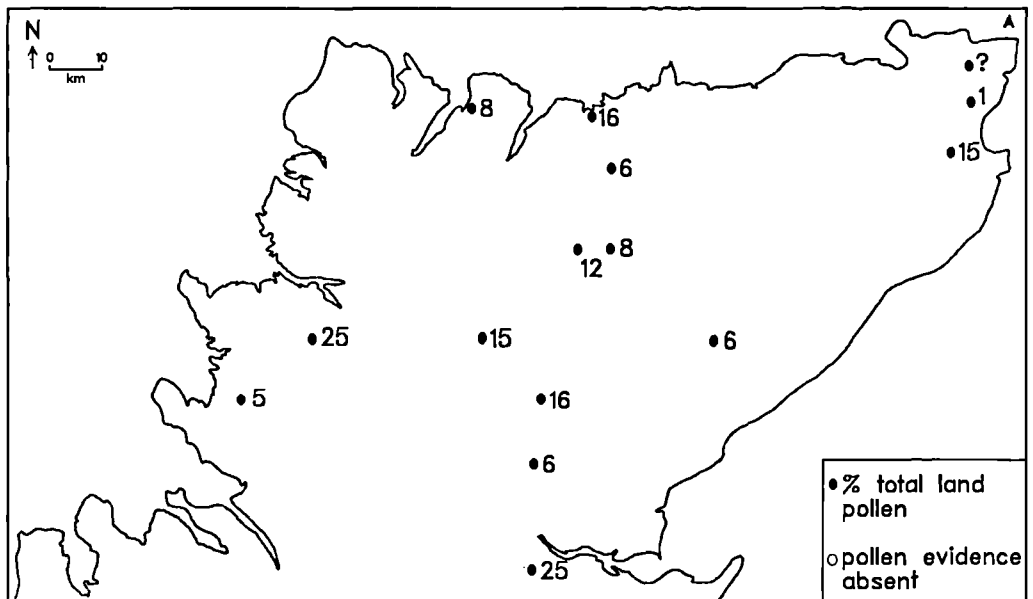


Fig. 3.17a *Pteridium* spore values in northern Scotland

Fig. 3.17b *Pteridium* spores values around Strathnaver

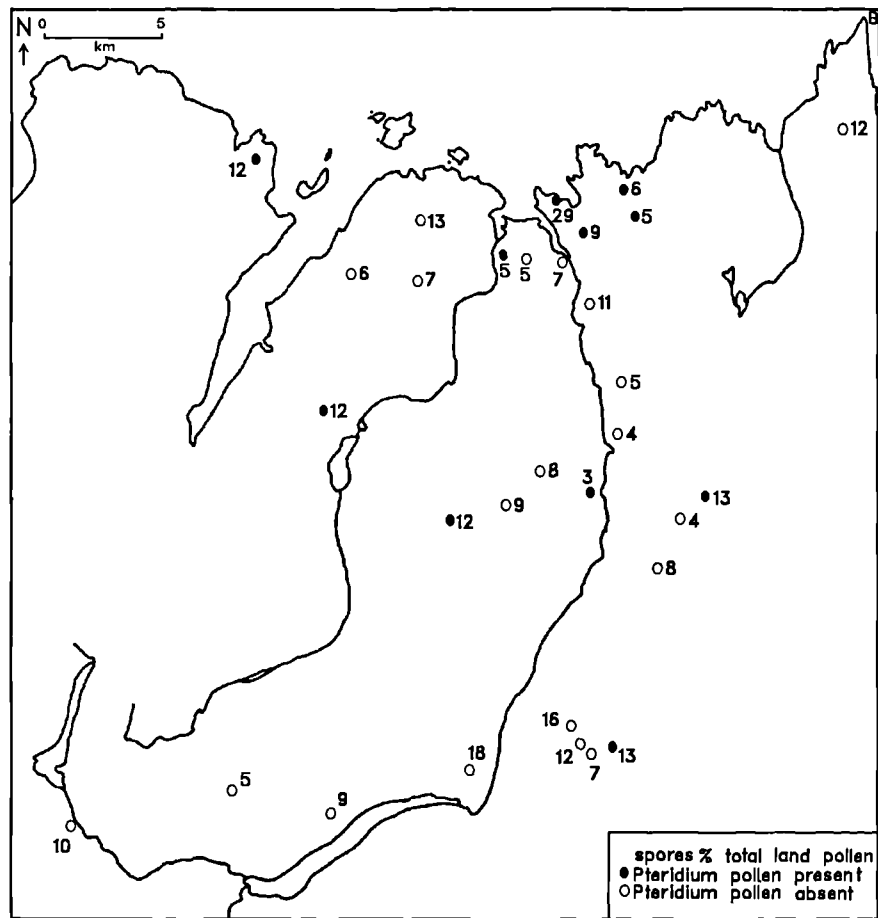


Fig. 3.18 TWINSpan classification of the surface pollen samples - a splitting diagram. The figures to the left and the right hand sides of each black dot represent the cut-off values used to classify the nodes. 1 = <4%, 2 = 4-25%, 3 = 25-50%, 4 = 50-75%, 5 = >75%. The numbers at the bottom of the diagram are the pollen surface sample code numbers which can be found in Table 3.19.

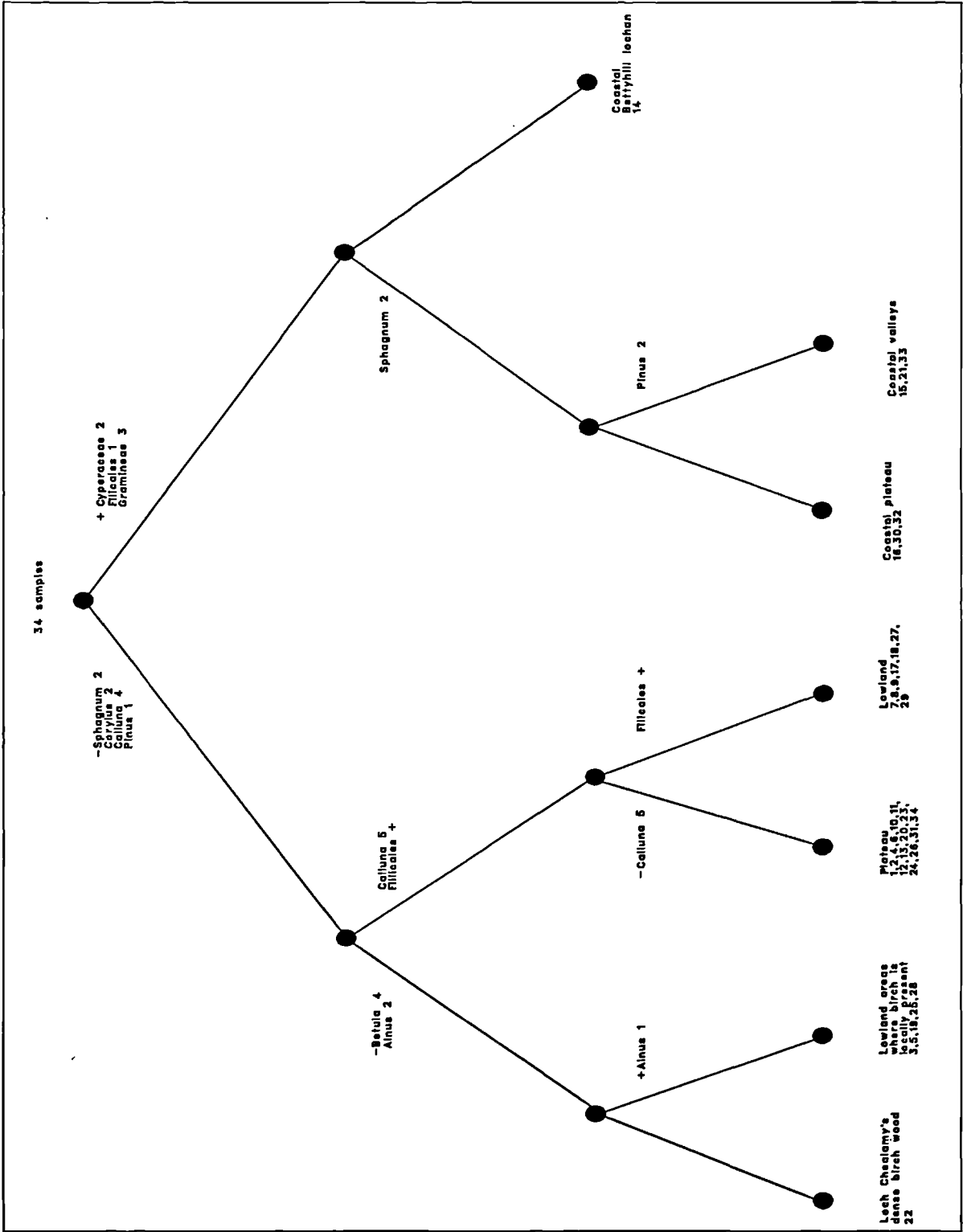


Fig. 3.19a Sample by sample ordination plot for the pollen surface samples - Axes 1 x 2. The numbers in the diagram are the surface sample code numbers which can be found in table 3.19.

Fig. 3.19b Species by species ordination plot for pollen surface sample data - Axes 1 x 2

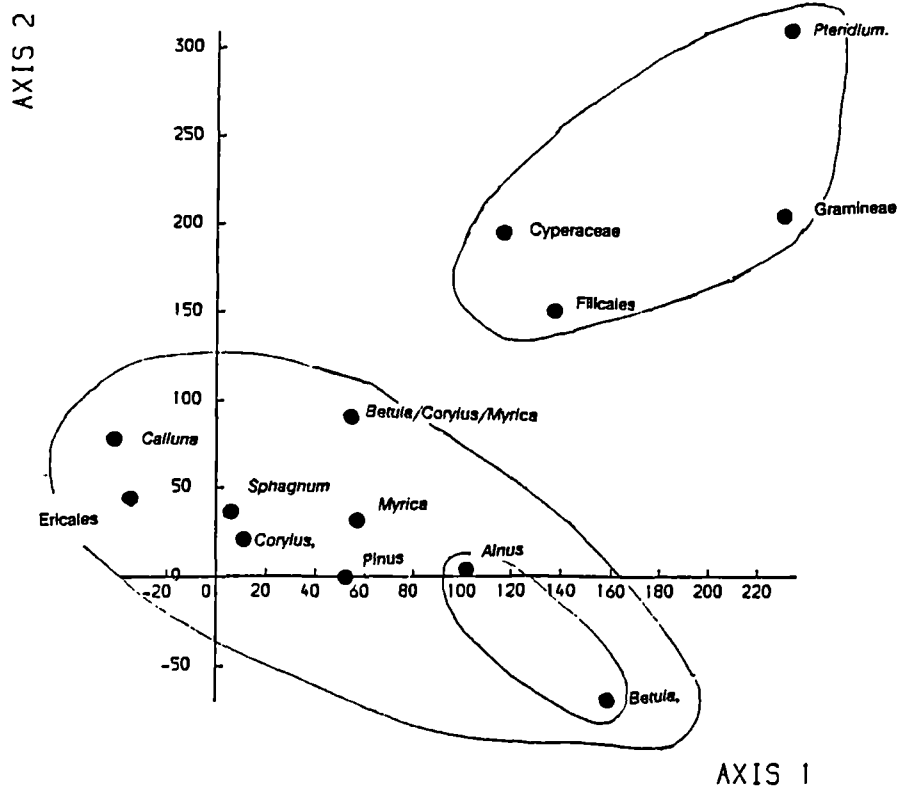
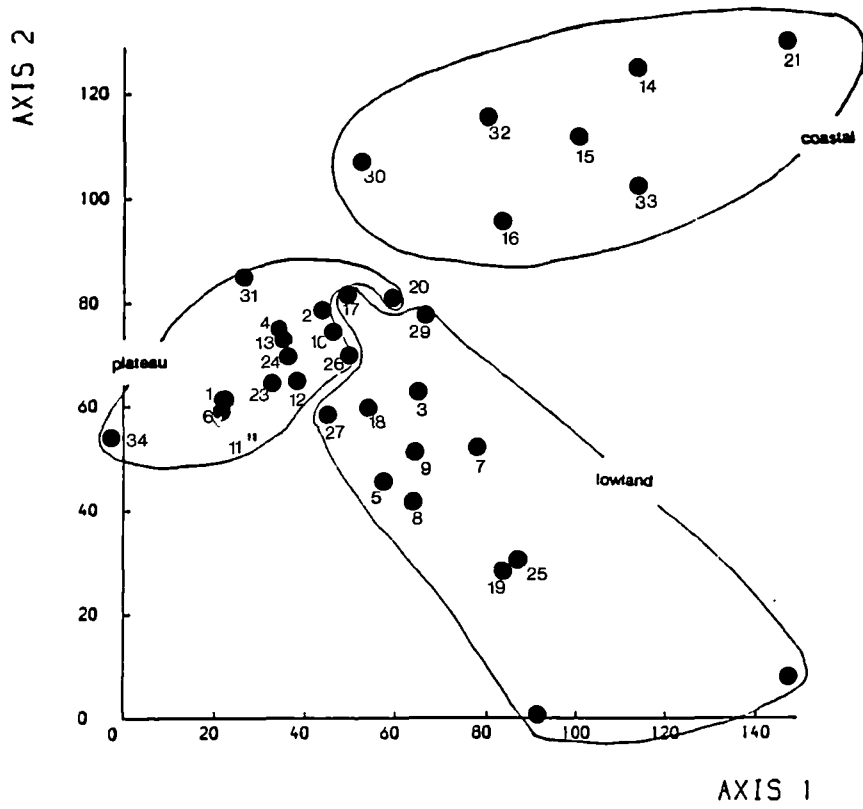


Fig. 3.20 The relationship between vegetation cover and pollen % values

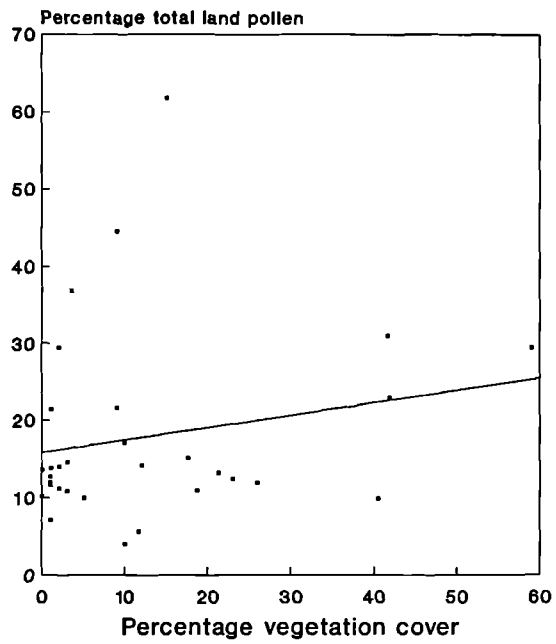
Fig. 3.20a Scatter plot and least squares regression line for *Betula*

Fig. 3.20b Scatter plot and least squares regression line for Gramineae

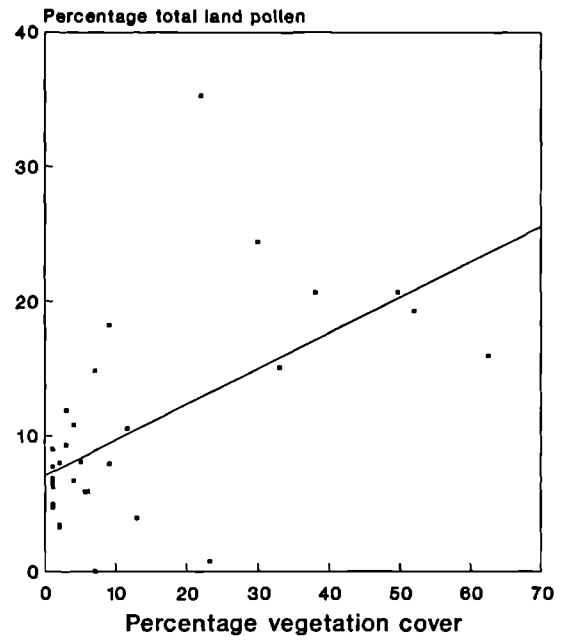
Fig. 3.20c Scatter plot and least squares regression line for *Calluna*

Fig. 3.20d Scatter plot and least squares regression line for *Pinus*

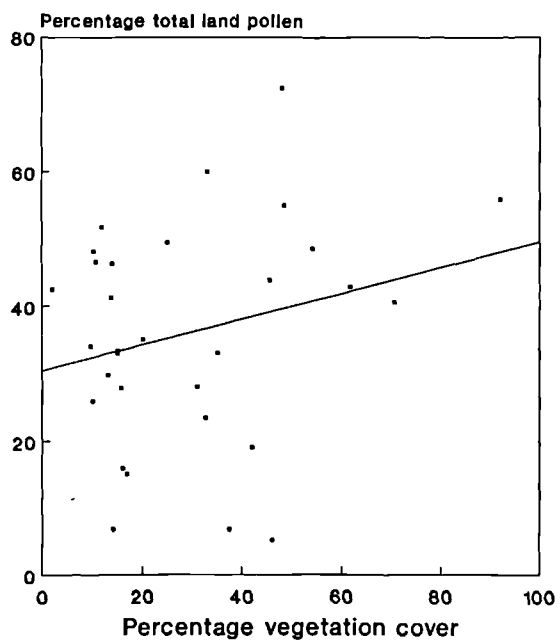
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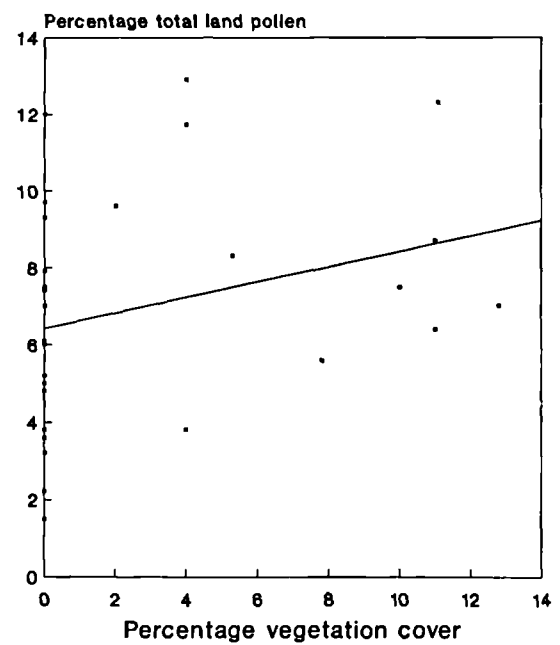


Fig. 4.1 Map illustrating all of published palynological sites known to the author in northern Scotland together with selected *Pinus sylvestris* and heath pollen curves

Pinus pollen is calculated as a percentage of total land pollen unless otherwise indicated by a T to the right of the site number at the bottom of each of the pollen curves. T indicates that *Pinus* pollen has been calculated as a percentage of total tree pollen.

- 1 = Loch Maree (Birks, 1972a)
- 2 = Dromatt (referred to in Birks, 1984)
- 3 = Coire Bog (Birks, 1975)
- 4 = Badantarbhet (Lamb, 1964)
- 5 = Sionascraig (Pennington *et al.*, 1971)
- 6 = Cam Loch (referred to in Birks, 1984)
- 7 = Barralan (referred to in Birks, 1984)
- 8 = Craiggie (referred to in Birks, 1984)
- 9 = Duartbeg (Moar, 1969a)
- 10 = Assynt (Birks, 1980a)
- 11 = Loch an Smuraich (referred to in Birks, 1984)
- 12 = Lochan an Druim (Birks, 1984; Birks, 1980a)
- 13 = Winless (Peglar, 1979)
- 14 = Ackhorn (Robinson, 1987)
- 15 = Little Loch Roag (Birks and Madison, 1979)
- 16 = Glims Moss (Keatinge and Dickinson, 1979)
- 17 = Cnoc a Bhroillich (Durno, 1958)
- 18 = Loch na Moine (Durno, 1958)
- 19 = Braehour (Durno, 1958)
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- 22 = Suisguill (Andrews *et al.*, 1985)

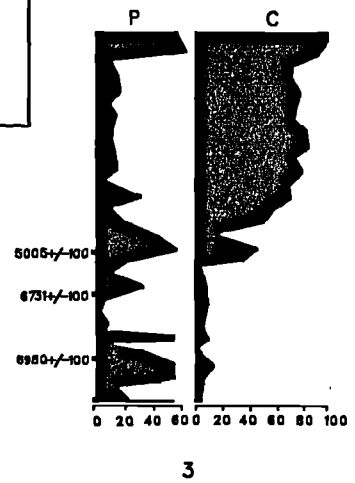
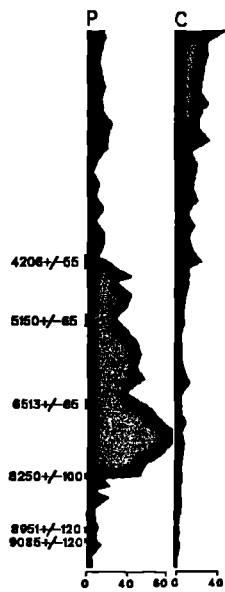
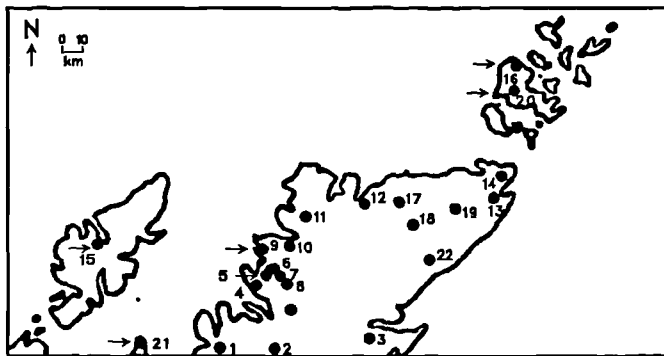
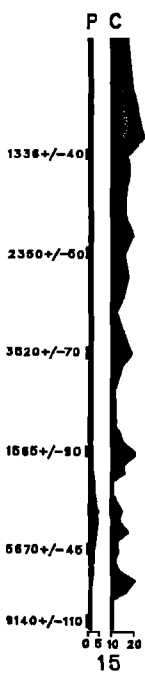
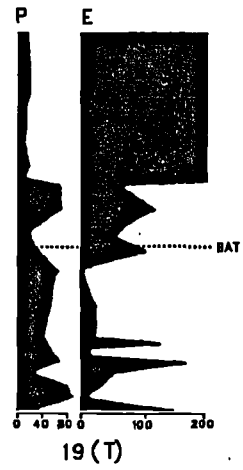
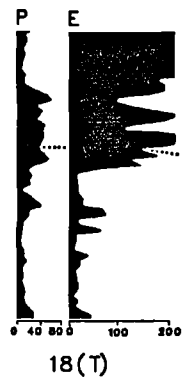
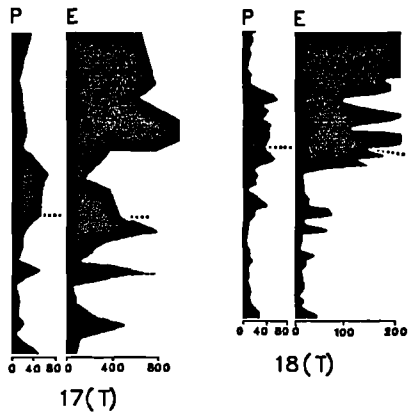
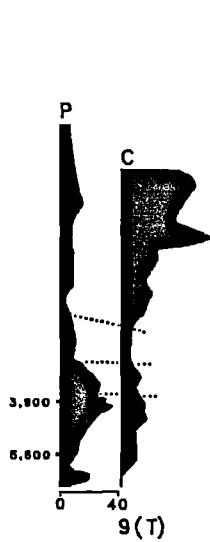


Fig. 4.2a-e Series of pie charts displaying the percentages of pine, other woody, heath and herbaceous taxa for 0, 2000, 4000, 6000, and 8,000 B.P. for 8 sites in northern Scotland. The sites used are as follows: Glims Moss (Keatinge and Dickinson, 1976), Little Loch Roag (Birks and Madison, 1979), An Druim (Birks, 1980a), Loch Assynt (Birks, 1980a), Loch Winless (Peglar, 1979), Coire Bog (Birks, 1975), Loch Maree (Birks, 1972a), and Loch Sionasraig (Pennington *et al*, 1972).

Fig. 4.2a Series of pie charts displaying the percentages of pine, other woody, heath and herbaceous taxa for 8,000 years B.P. for 8 sites in northern Scotland

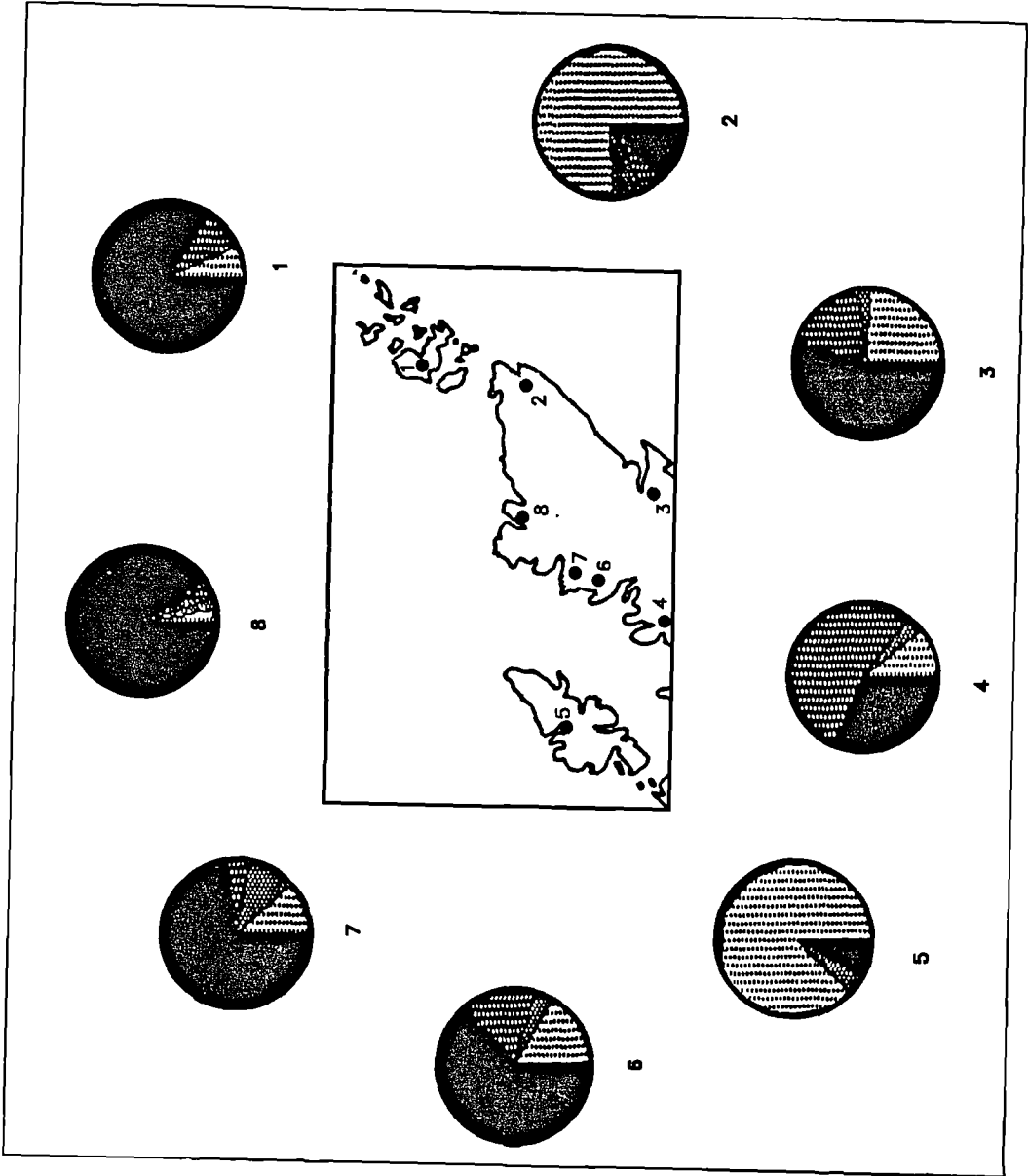
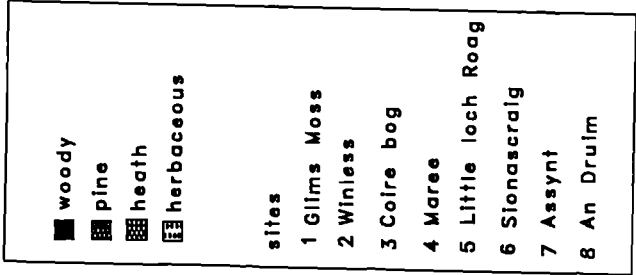


Fig. 4.2b Series of pie charts displaying the percentages of pine, other woody, heath and herbaceous taxa for 6,000 years B.P. for 8 sites in northern Scotland

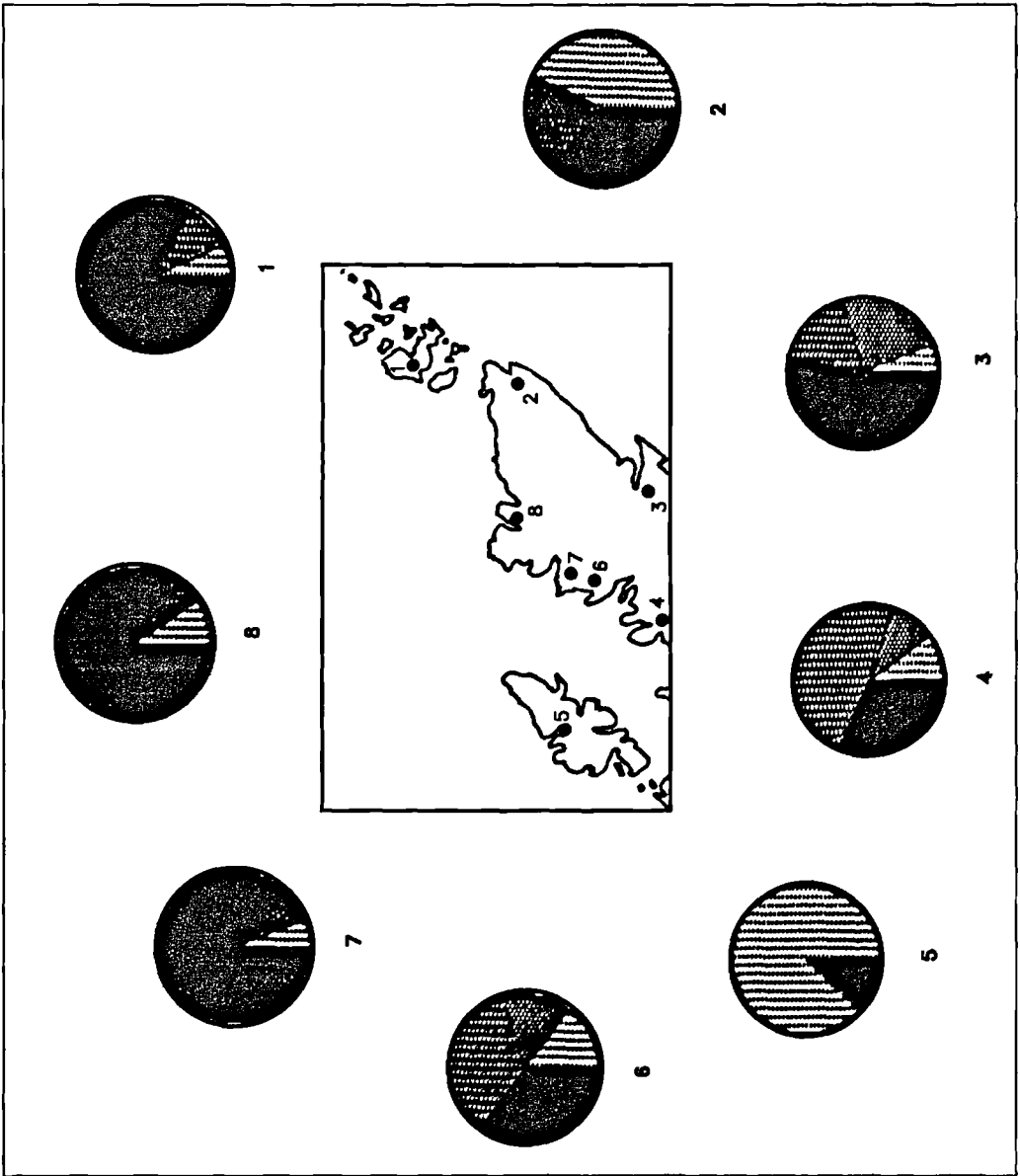
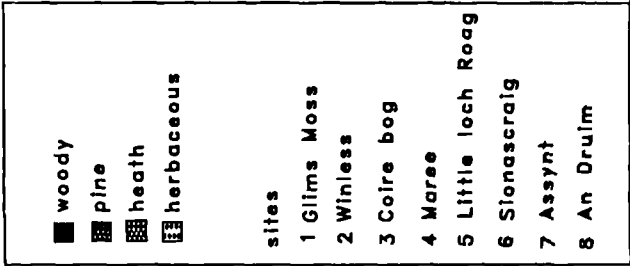


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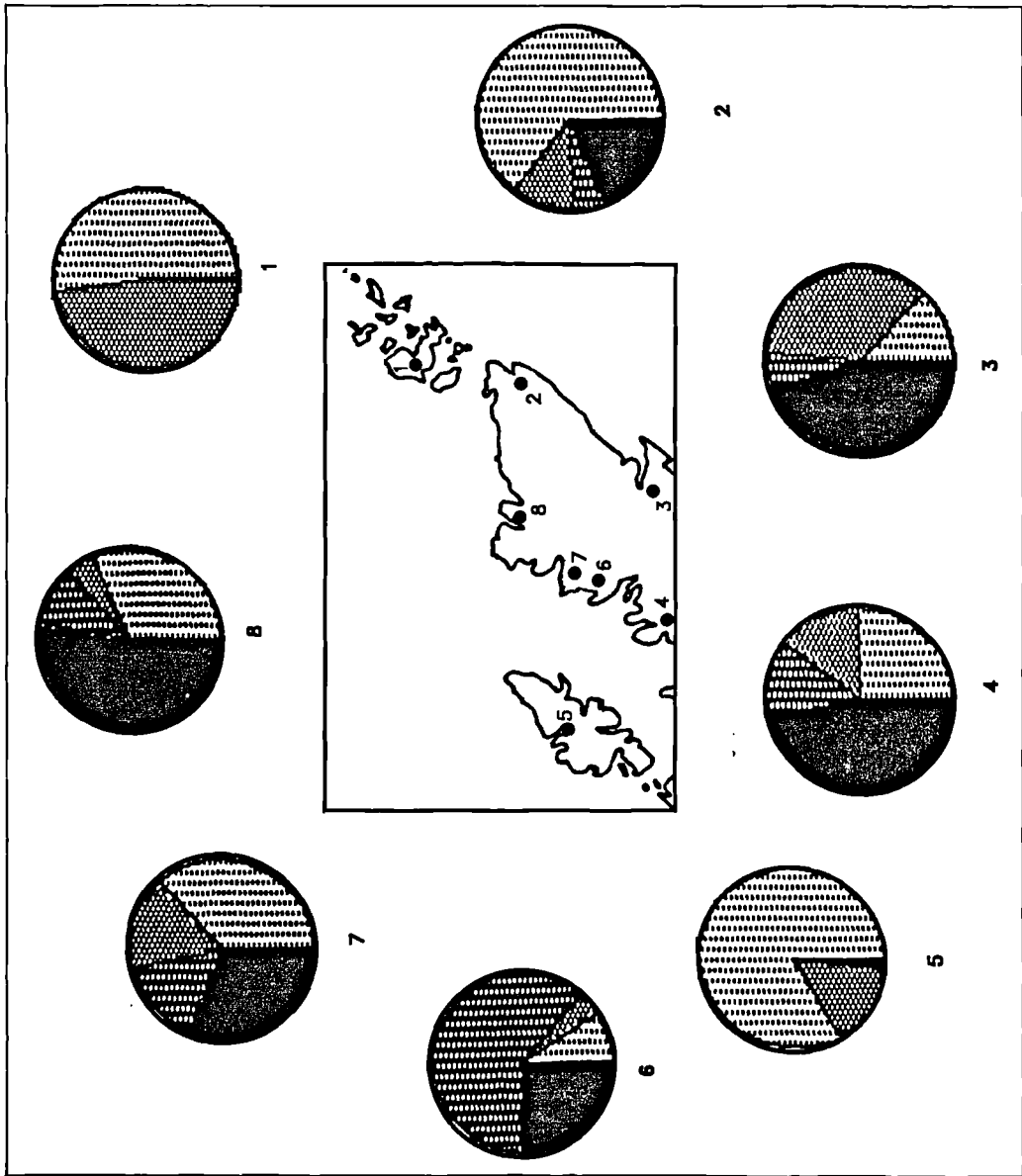
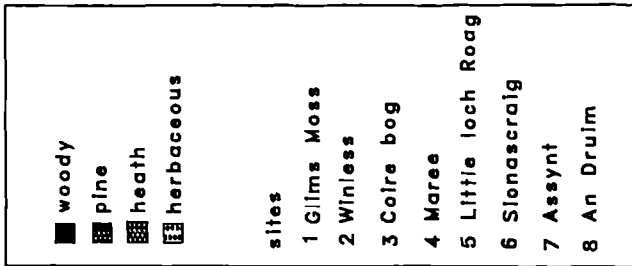


Fig. 4.2d Series of pie charts displaying the percentages of pine, other woody, heath and herbaceous taxa taxa for 2,000 years B.P. for 8 sites in northern Scotland

■	woody
▨	pine
▩	heath
▧	herbaceous

sites	
1	Glims Moss
2	Winless
3	Coire bog
4	Maree
5	Little loch Roag
6	Slonascraig
7	Assynt
8	An Drulm

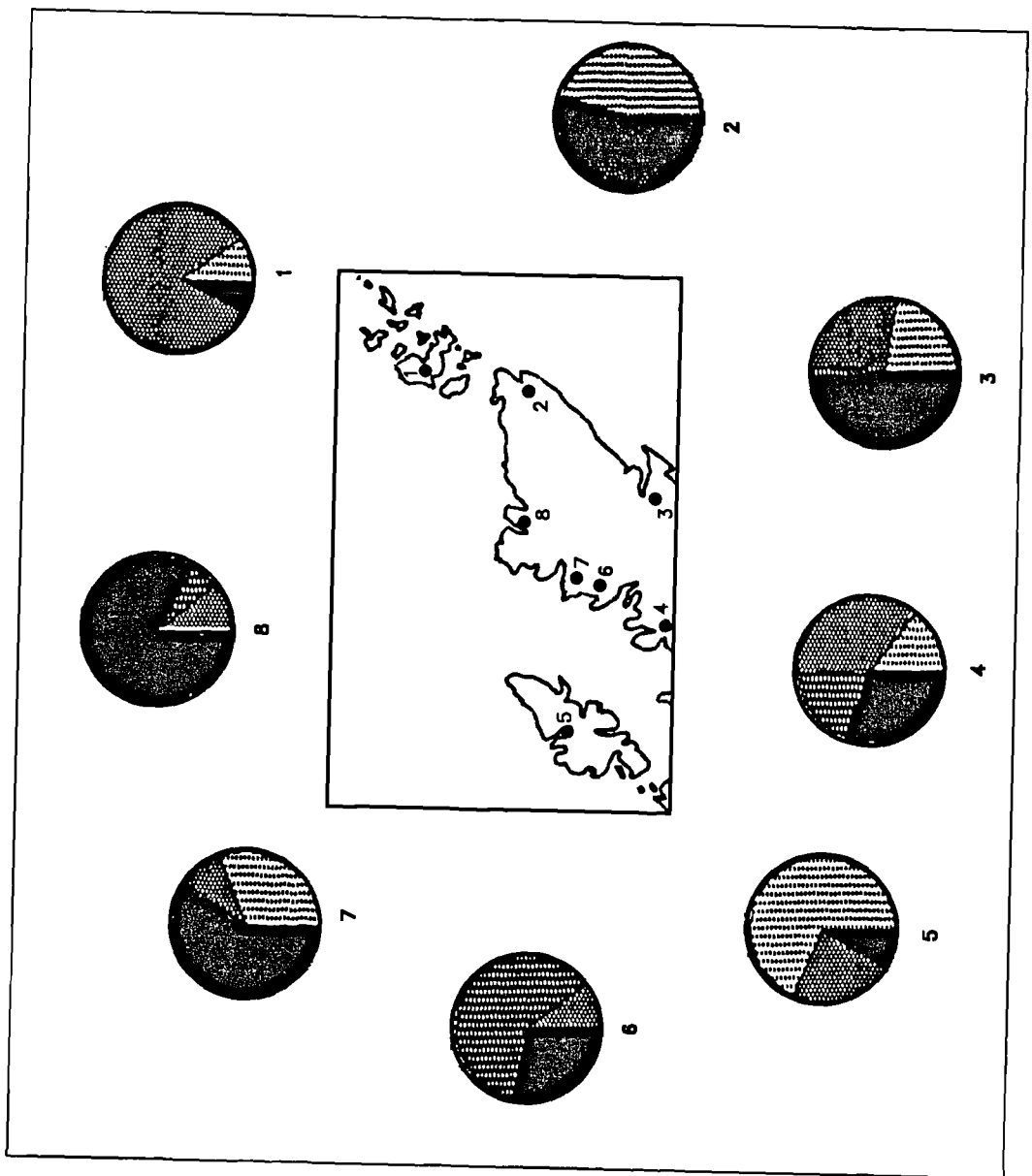


Fig. 4.2e Series of pie charts displaying the percentages of pine, other woody, heath and herbaceous taxa for 0 years B.P. for 8 sites in northern Scotland

■	woody
▨	pine
▩	heath
▧	herbaceous

sites	1 Glims Mass
	2 Winless
	3 Coire bog
	4 Maree
	5 Little loch Roag
	6 Sionascraig
	7 Assynt
	8 An Drulm

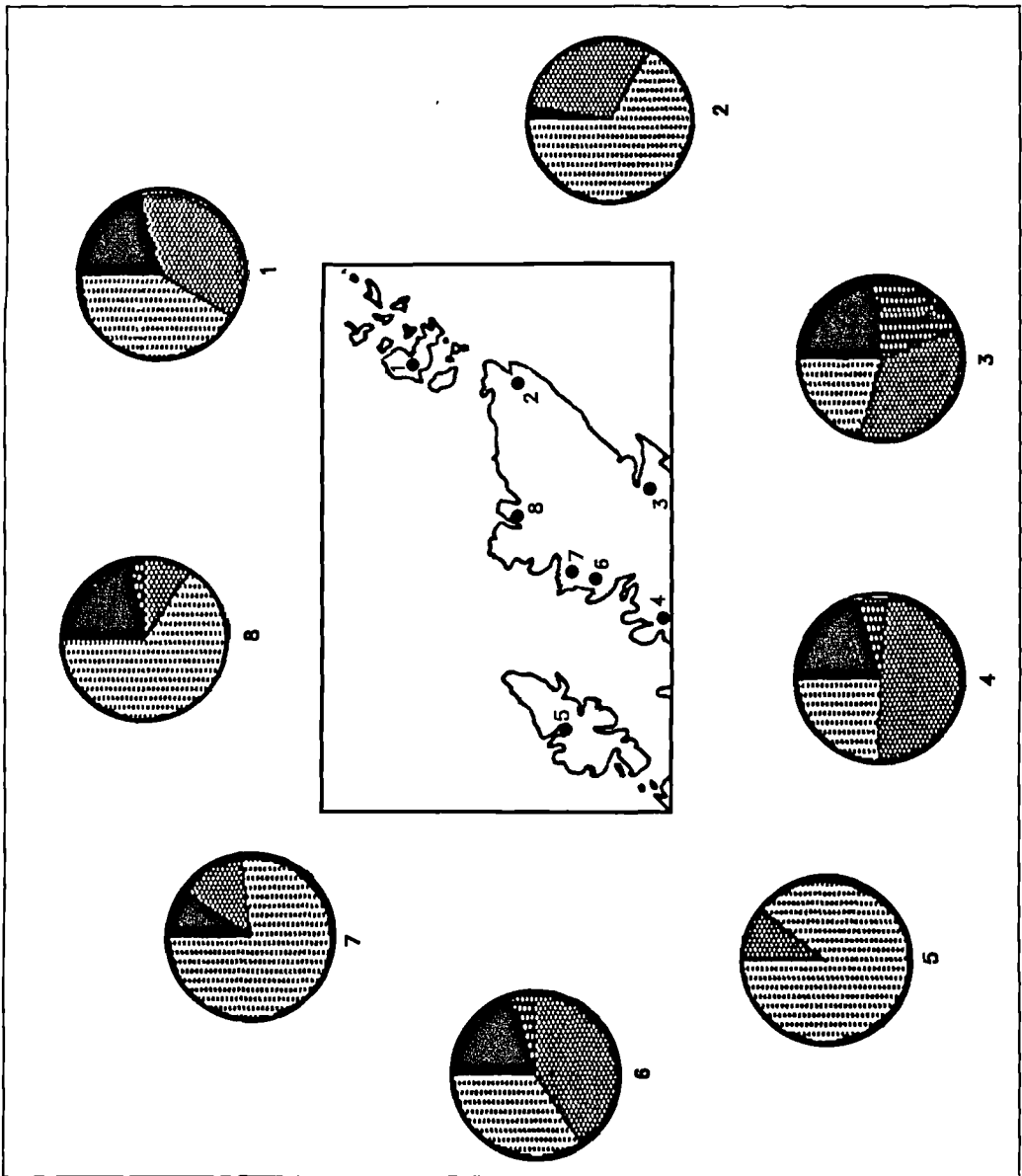


Fig. 4.3 The relative location of the three palynological sites Loch Mer, Lochan by Rosail and Lochstrathy

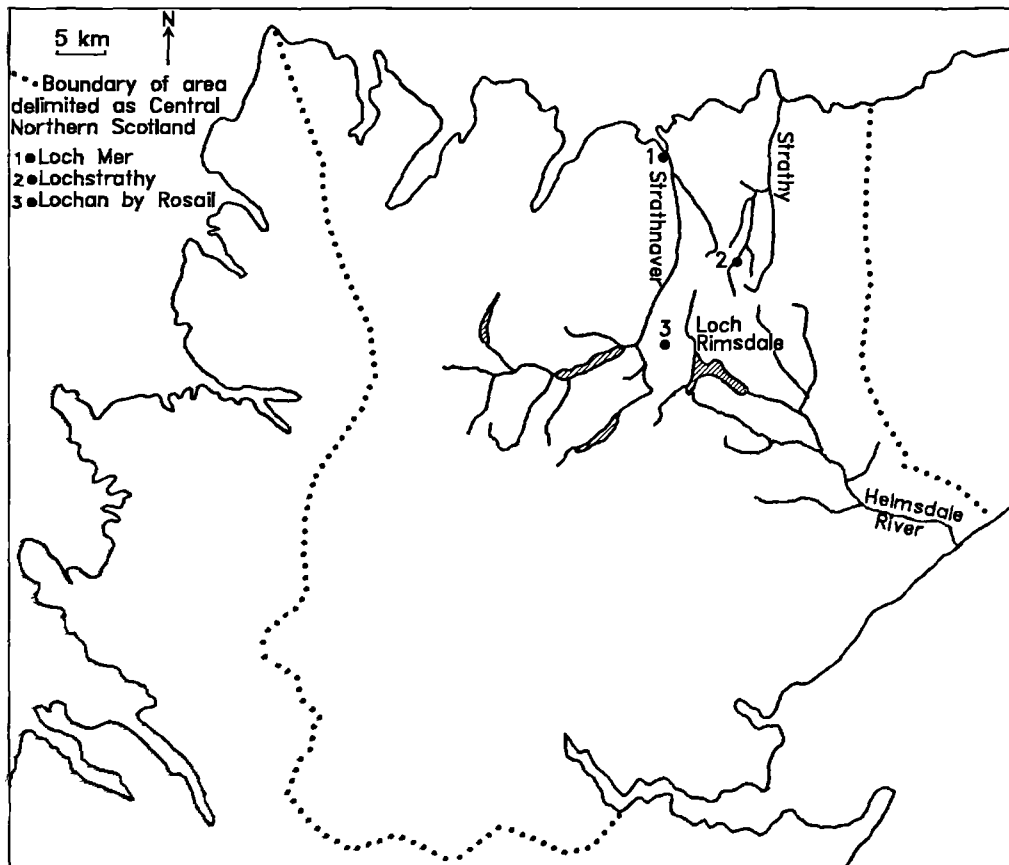


Fig. 4.4a Sketch map of Loch Mer. To the east of the loch is enclosed to form a series of strip fields; the boundaries of these fields are indicated on the inset location map.

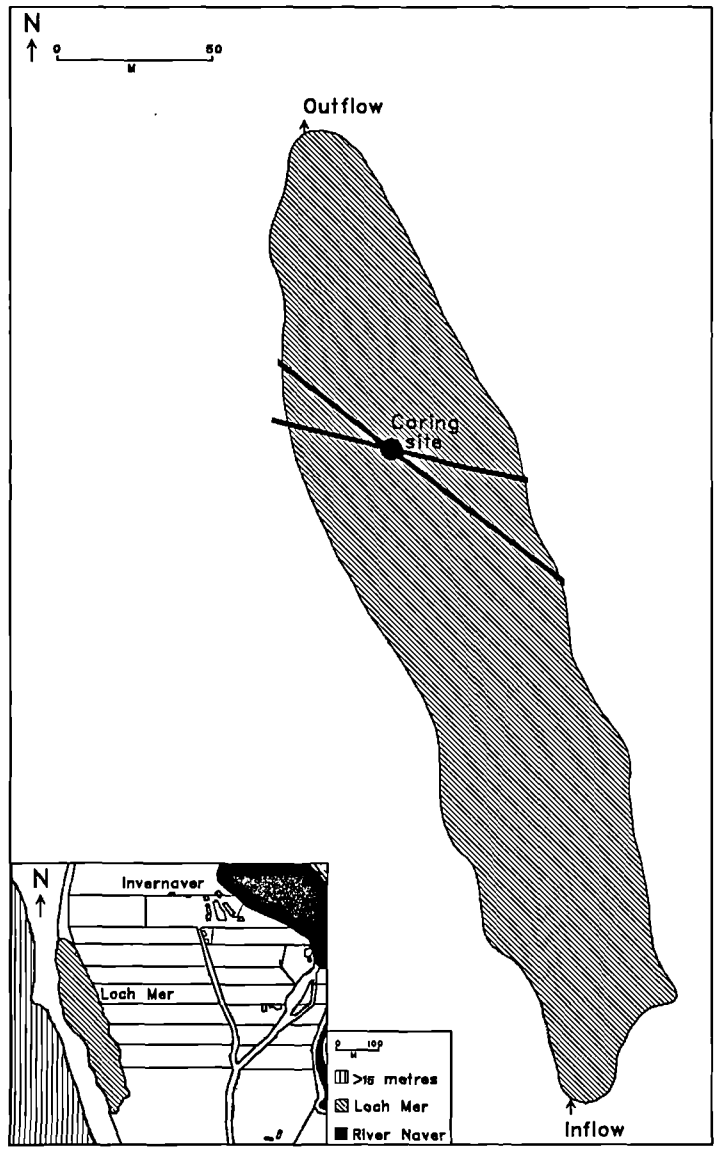


Fig. 4.4b The vegetation of the area surrounding Loch Mer (drawn from the Thematic Mapper image)

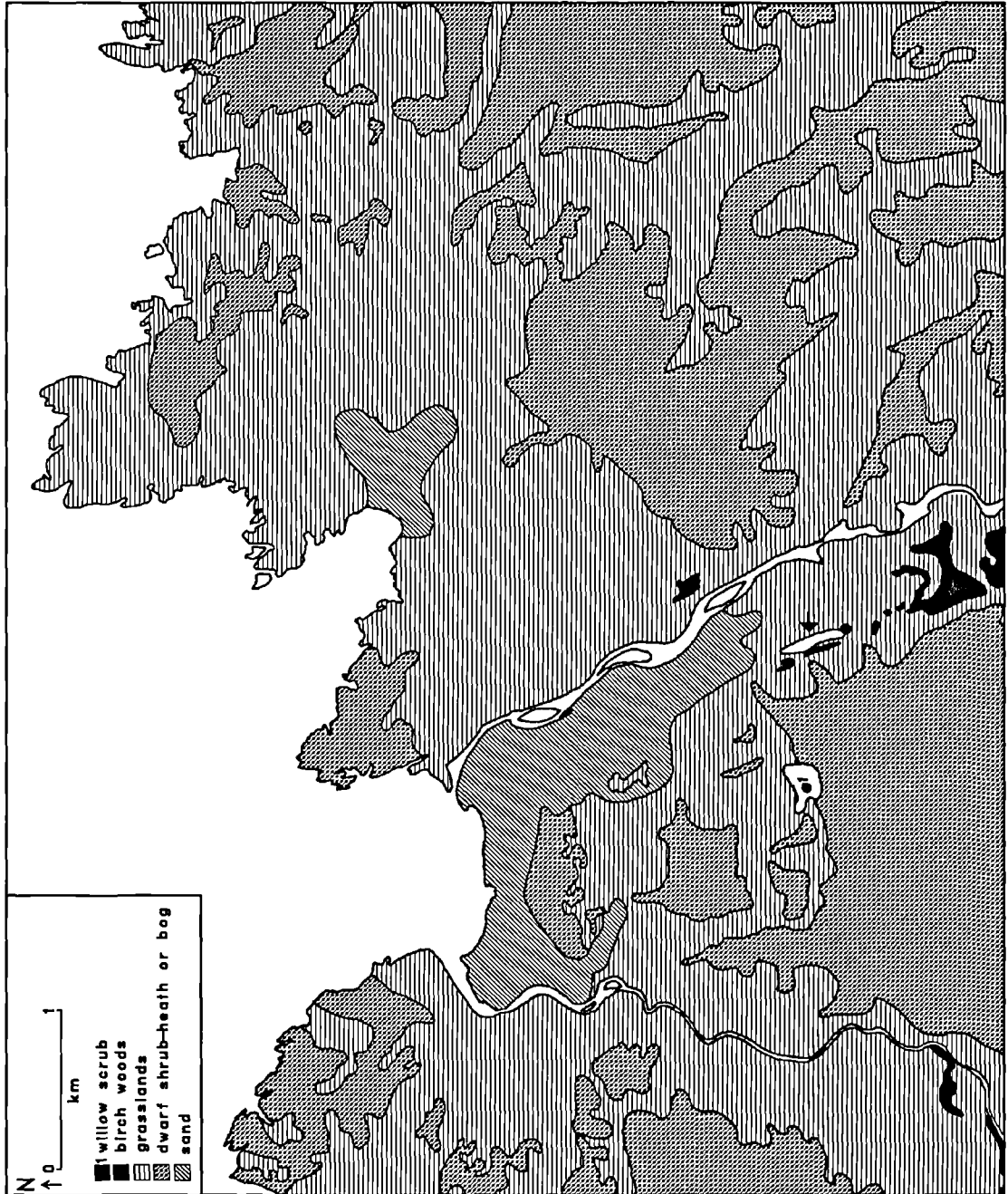


Fig. 4.5 Sedimentological and chemical records records for Loch Mer. N.B. All depths are relative to the air/water interface.

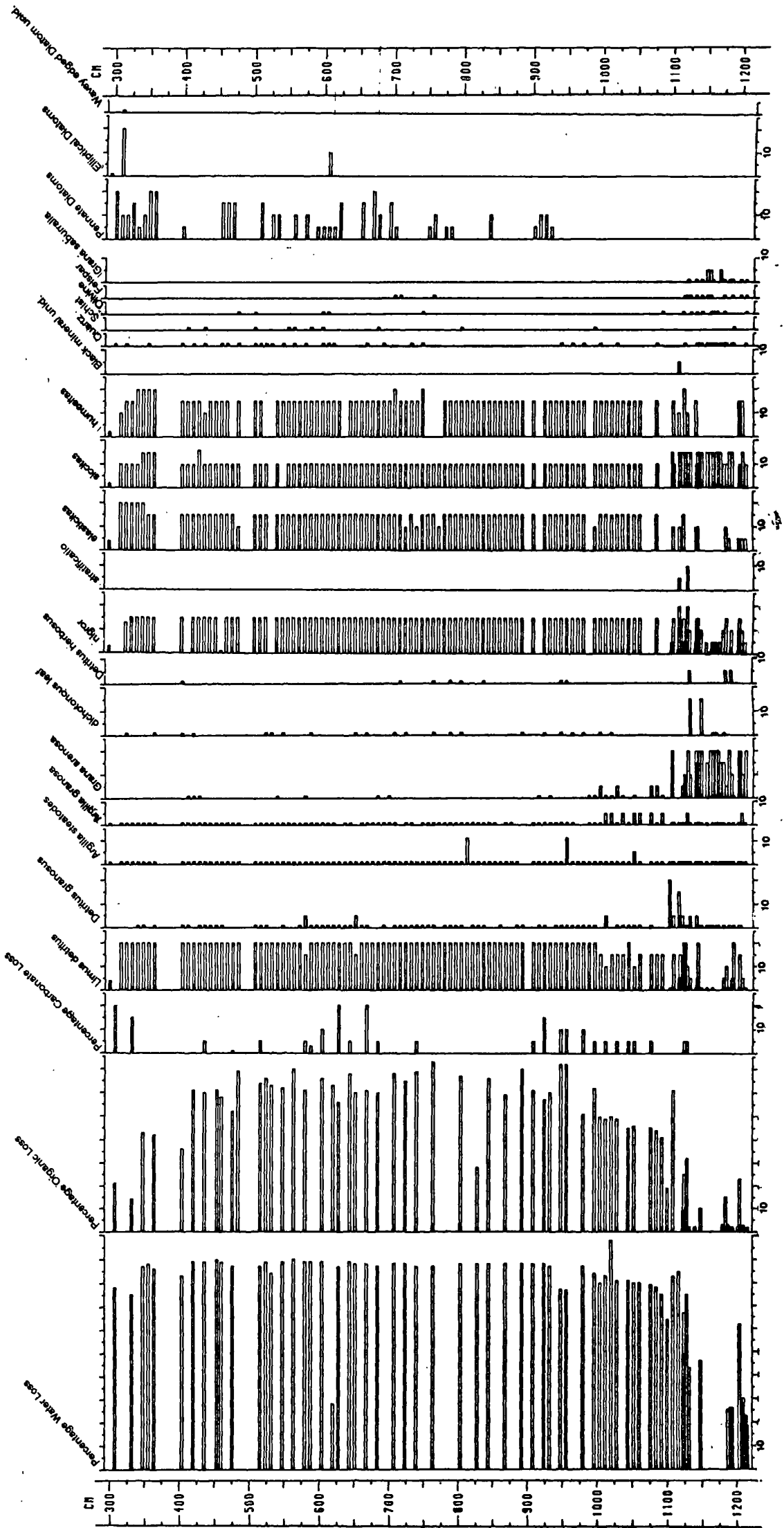


Fig. 4.6b Pollen influx diagram for Loch Mer.

N.B. The pollen values have been divided by a factor of 3000.

Fig. 4.7a Sketch map of Lochan by Rosail

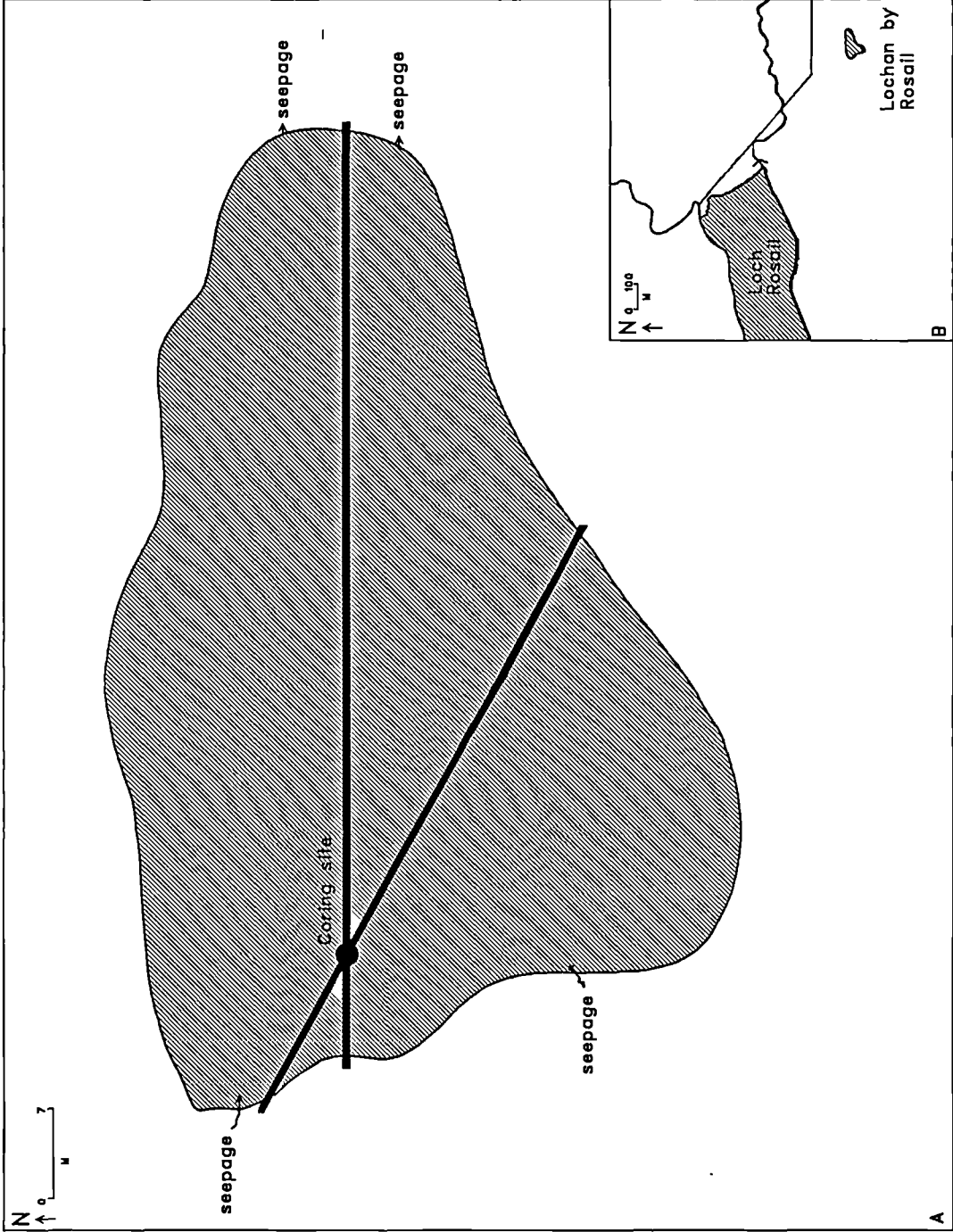


Fig. 4.7b The vegetation of the area surrounding Lochan by Rosail (drawn from the Thematic Mapper image)

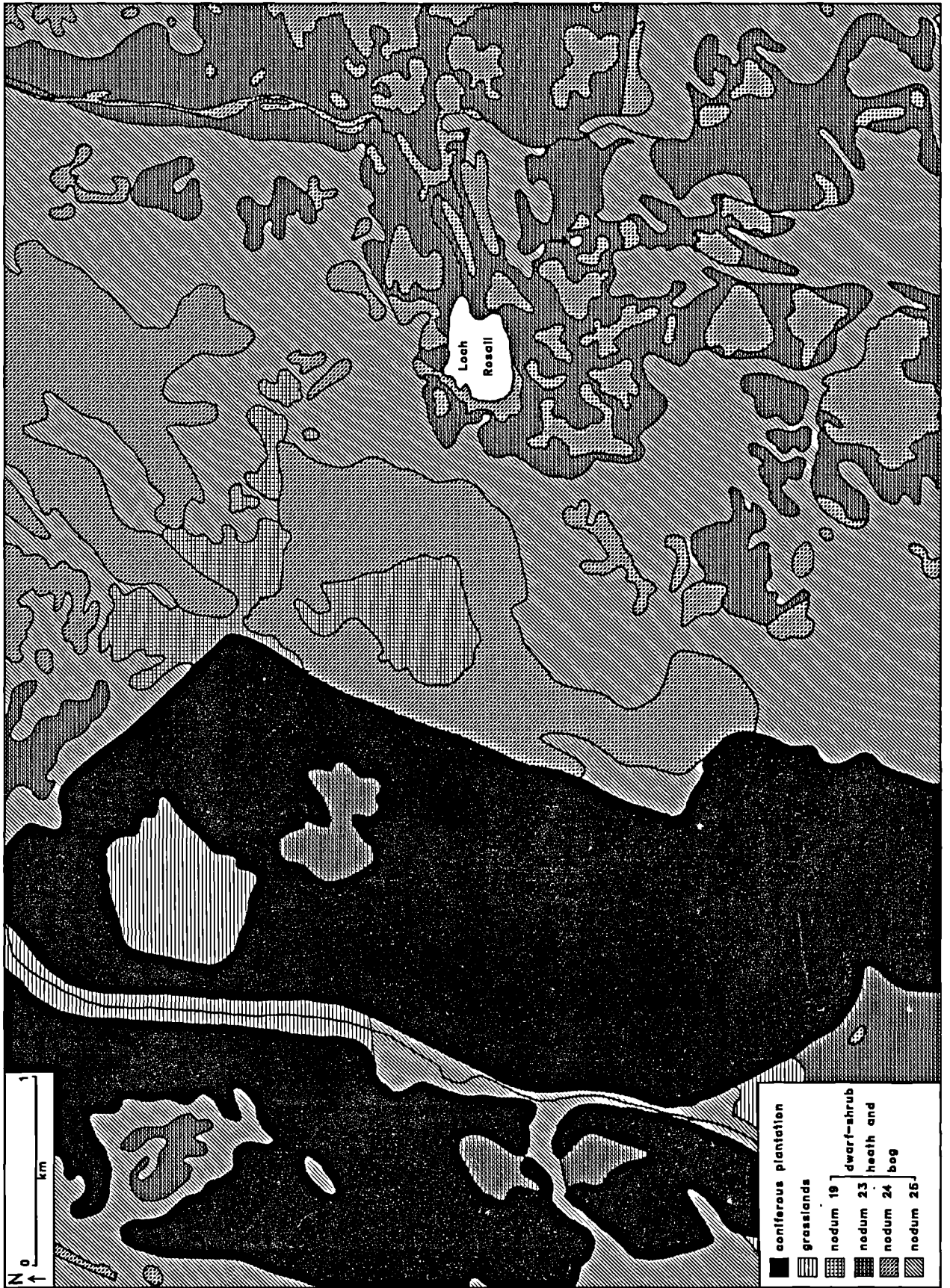
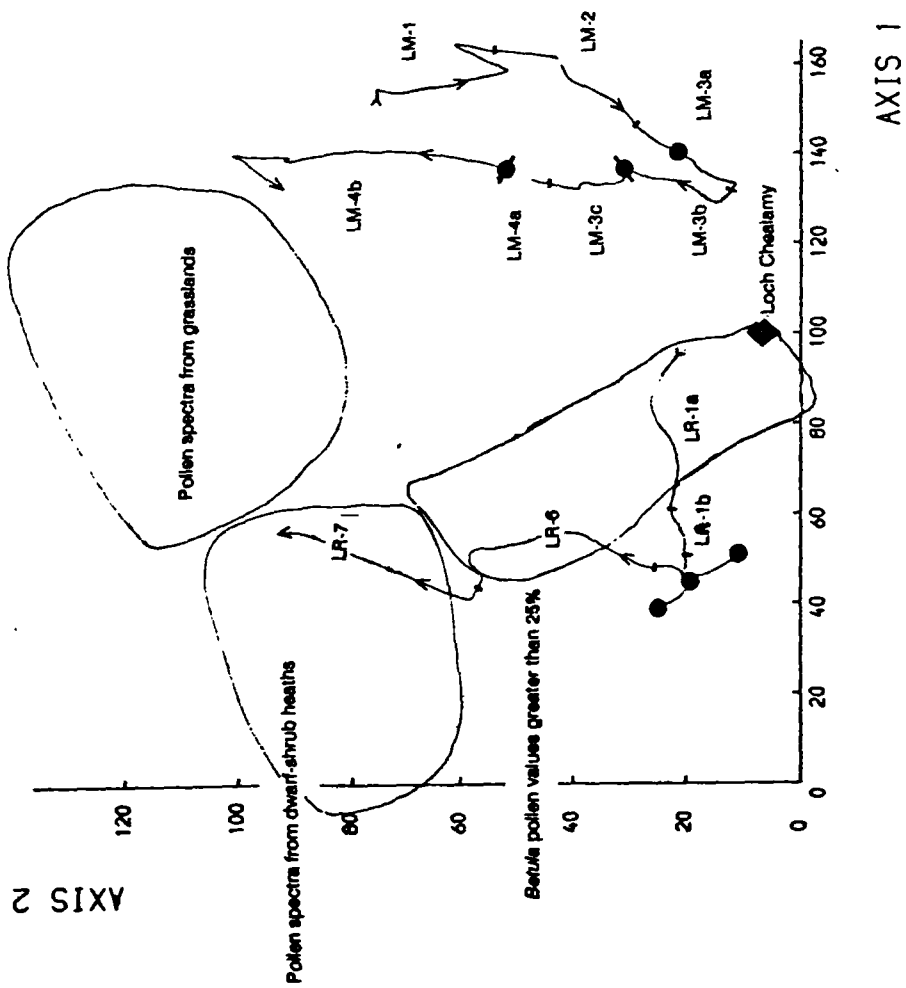


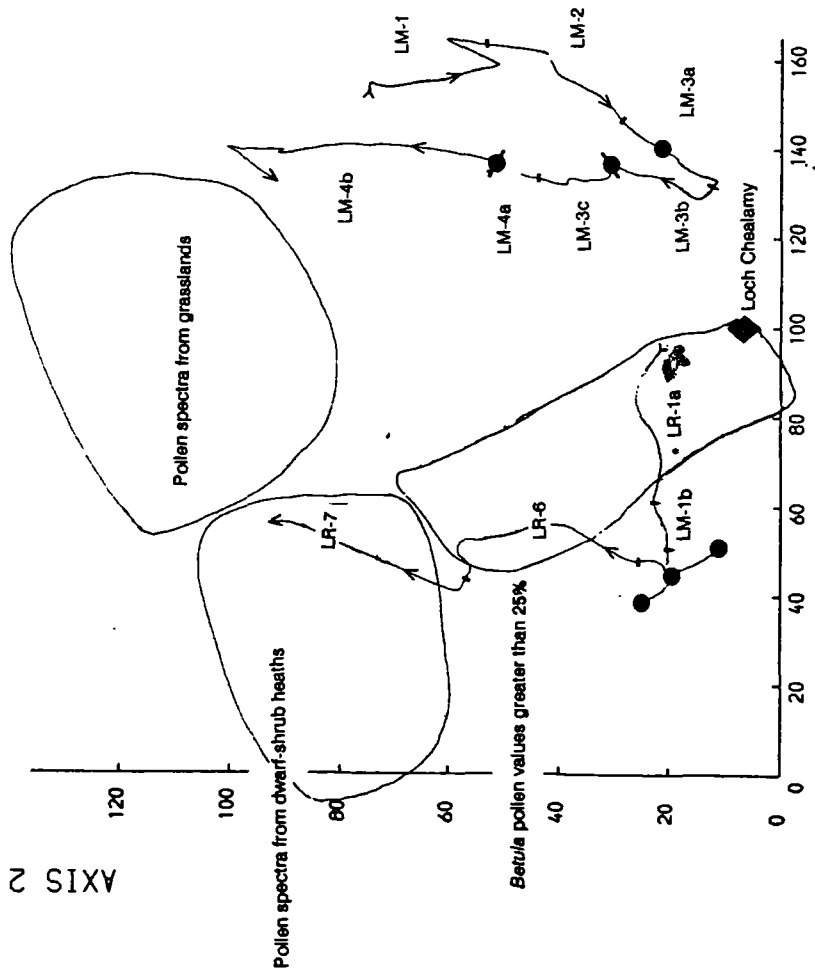
Fig. 4.8 Sedimentological and chemical records for Lochan by Rosail

Fig. 4.9 Percentage total land pollen diagram for Lochan by Rosail

Fig. 4.10 DECORANA plot for Strathnaver and its surrounding area surface samples and smoothed curve (5-sample moving average) connecting Loch Mer and Lochan by Rosail fossil samples in chronological order



AXIS 2



AXIS 1

Fig. 5.1 Map illustrating the previously more extensive distribution of *Pinus sylvestris* on a 10 km grid square basis.

Key:

- 1 The present day native distribution of *Pinus sylvestris* (based on Steven and Carlisle, 1959).
- 2 The published distribution of sub-fossil *P. sylvestris* (Bennett, 1984). All of the macro-fossil records for far northern and northern Scotland have been confirmed unless otherwise indicated.
- 3 refers to 10 km grid squares where which have been searched, but within which no macro-fossils have been found to confirm the previously published distribution.
- 4 refers to 10 km grid squares that have been searched, but within which no *P. sylvestris* macro-fossils have been found.
- 5 refers to 10 km grid references where *P. sylvestris* macro-fossils have been first recorded in the course of this survey during 1987/1988.
- 6 refers to 10 km grid squares which have been searched, but within which no *P. sylvestris* macro-fossils have been found.

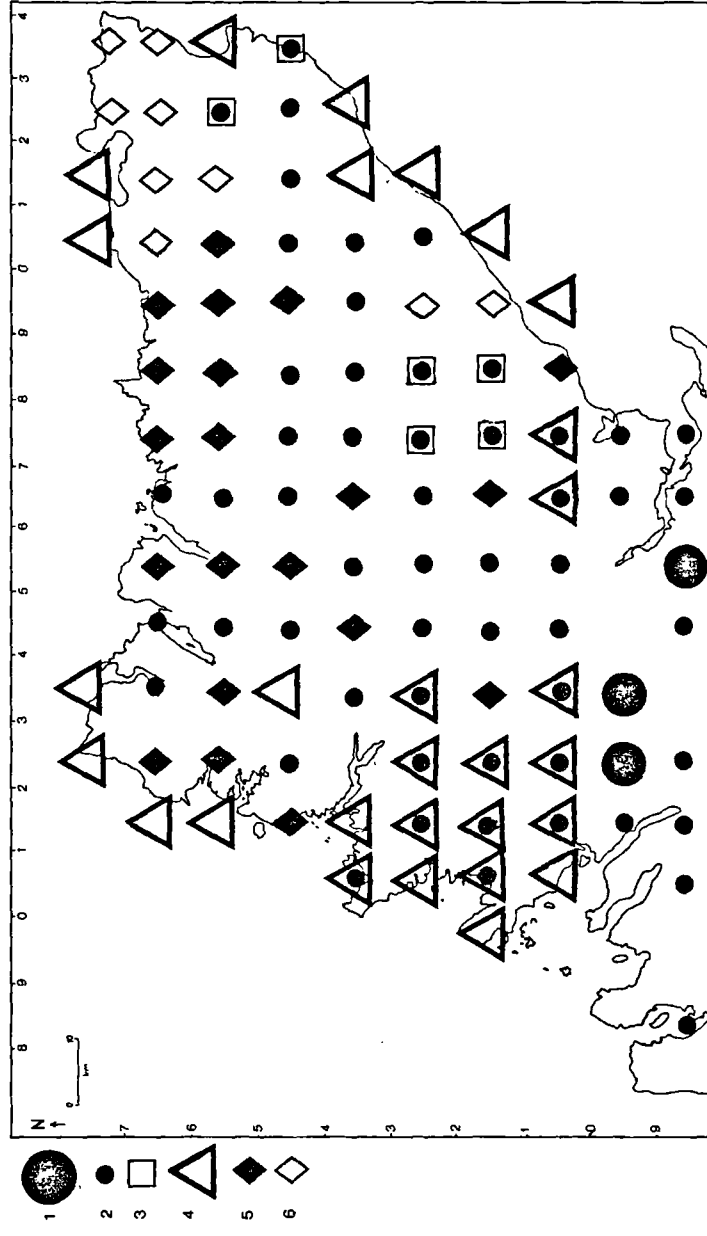


Fig. 5.2 The post glacial pollen evidence for the presence or absence of *Pinus sylvestris* in northern Scotland plotted on a 10 km grid square basis (after Bennett, 1984).

Key

1 refers to sites that have pollen evidence (>20% total land pollen) indicating presence of *P. sylvestris* during the Holocene

2 refers to the Lochstrathy and Lochan by Rosail pollen sites

3 refers to sites where the pollen evidence for the presence of *P. sylvestris* during the Holocene is absent.

4 refers to the Loch Mer pollen site

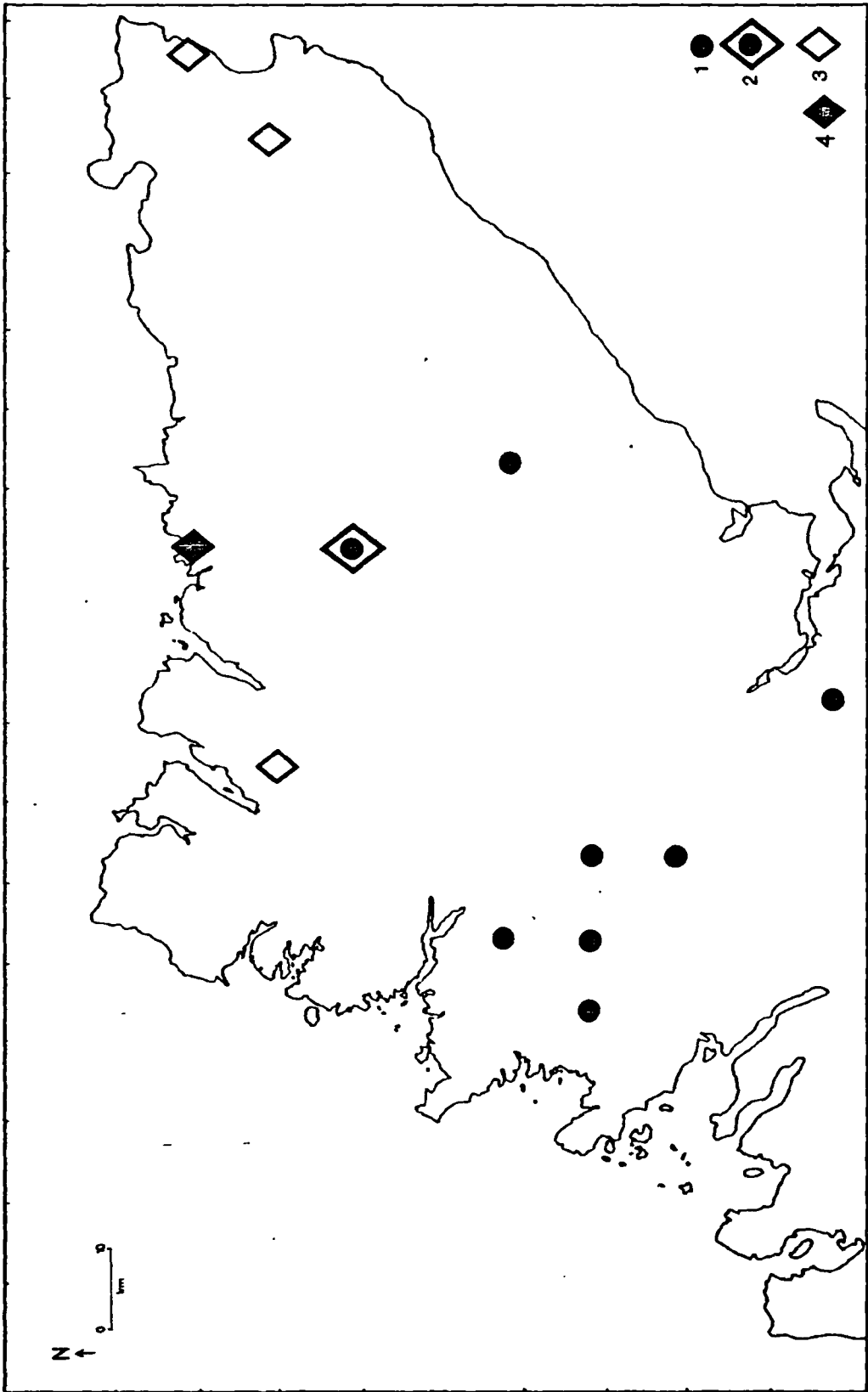


Fig. 5.3 10 km map illustrating the locations of all previously known radiocarbon-dated pine macro-fossils (black diamonds) and the locations of the radiocarbon dates that are being processed for this project (black dots).

1 = 4,393 B.P.

2 = 4,420 B.P.

3 = 4,220 B.P.

4 = 4,163 B.P.

5 = 4,674 B.P.

6 = 3,976 B.P.

7 = 4,163 B.P.

8 = 3,976 B.P.

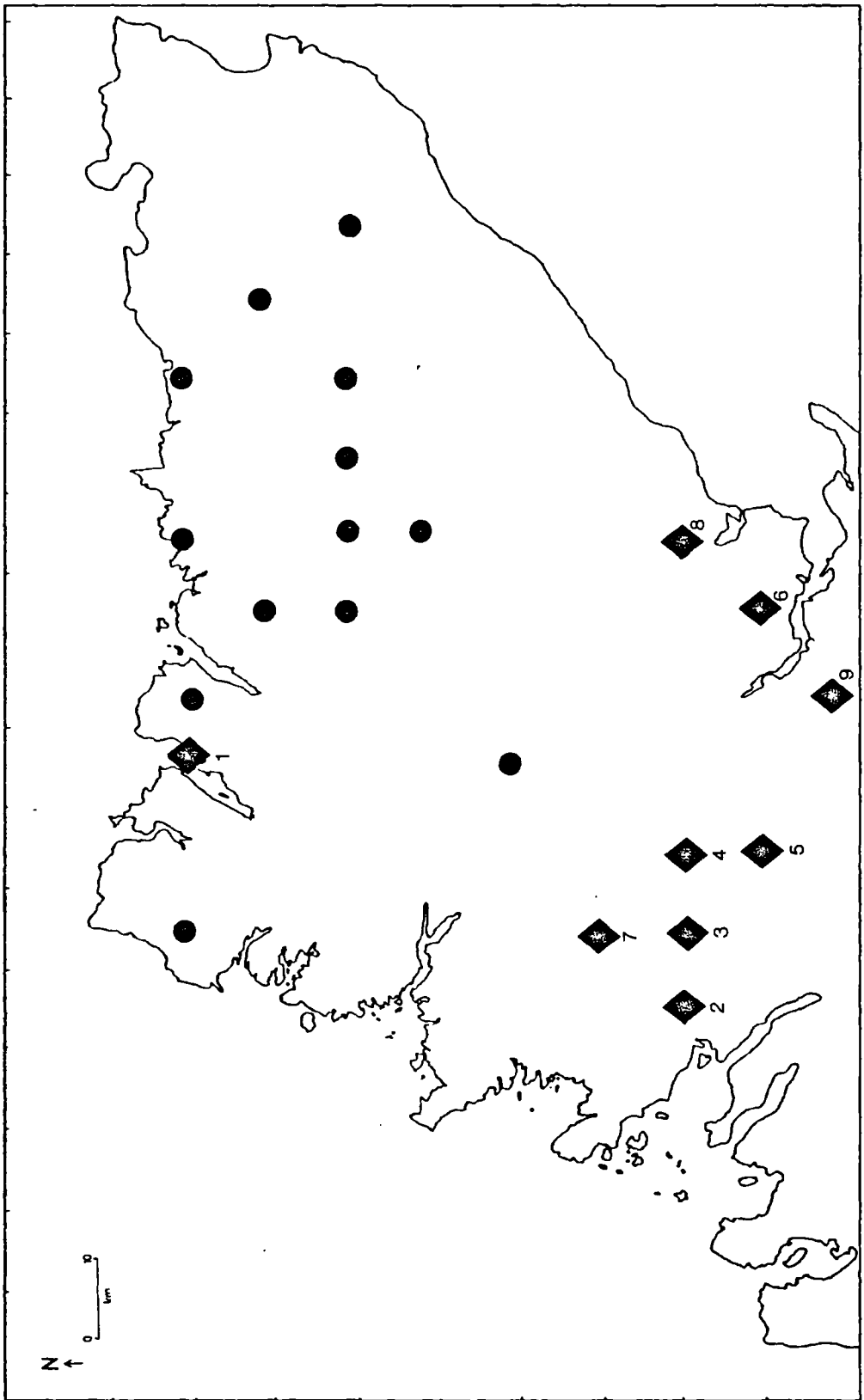


Fig. 5.4a 1 km map illustrating the changes in the frequency and distribution of *Pinus sylvestris* macro-fossil localities north-east of NC 73

Fig. 5.4b Histogram illustrating the changes in the frequency of sub-fossil *Pinus sylvestris* localities, per 10 km grid easting, north-east of NC 73

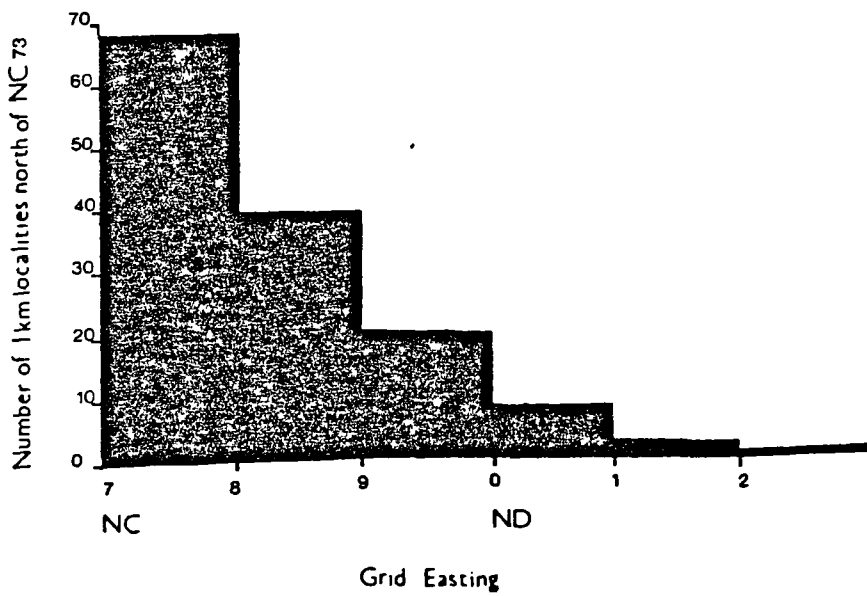
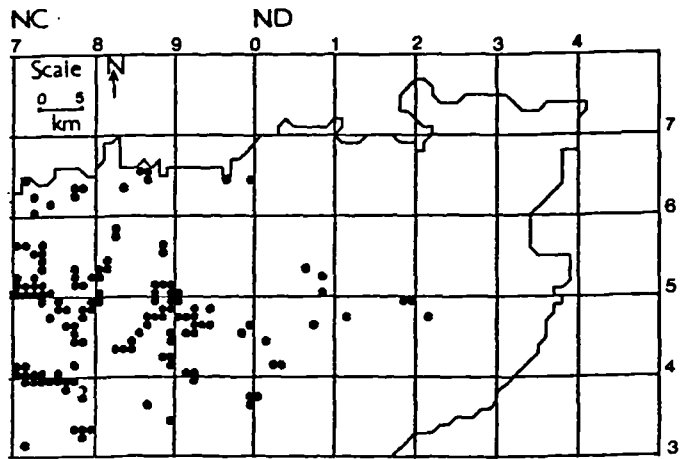


Fig. 5.5 A 10 km map illustrating the distribution of sub-fossil remains of *Salix* sp. and *Betula* sp. in the far north of Scotland

KEY

Black dots refer to the presence of *Betula* macro-fossils

Hollow boxes refer to the presence of *Salix* macro-fossils

A black dot is combined with a hollow box indicates that both *Betula* and *Salix* macro-fossils have been found within the same 10 km grid square.

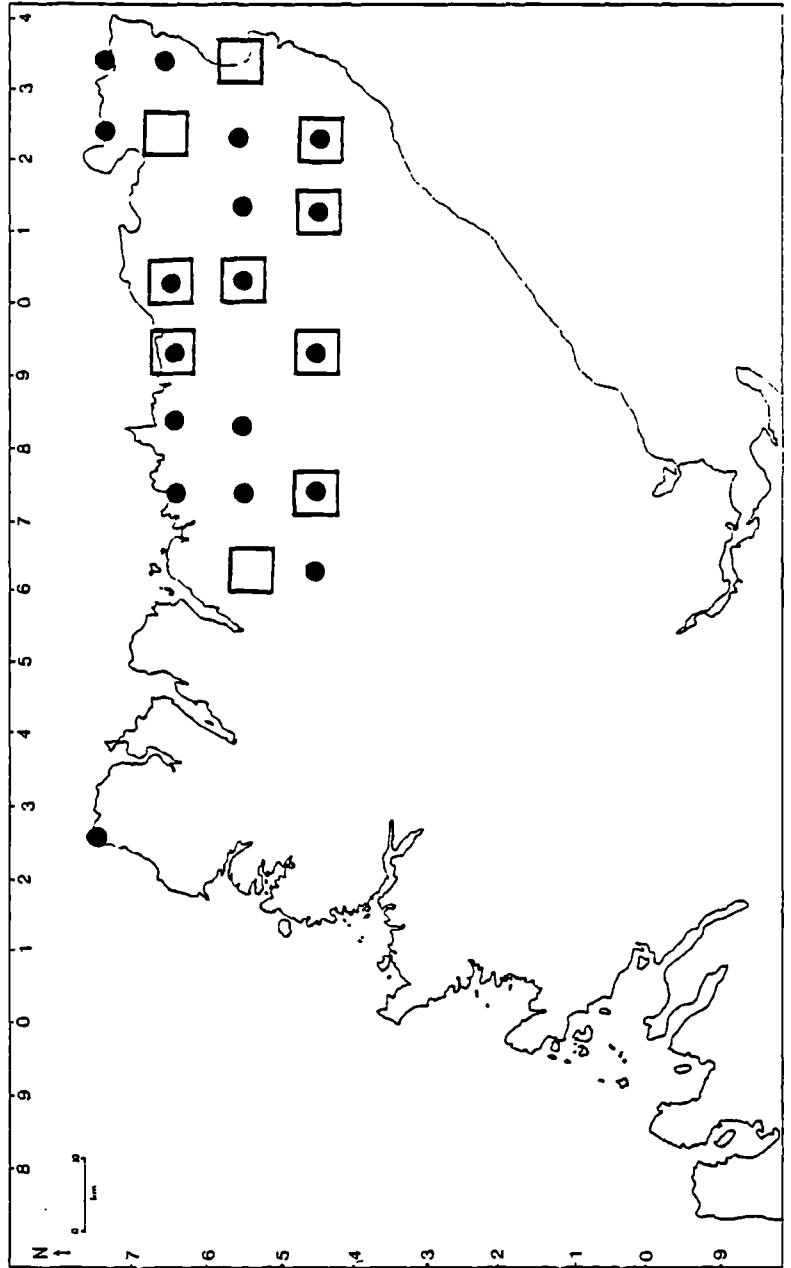
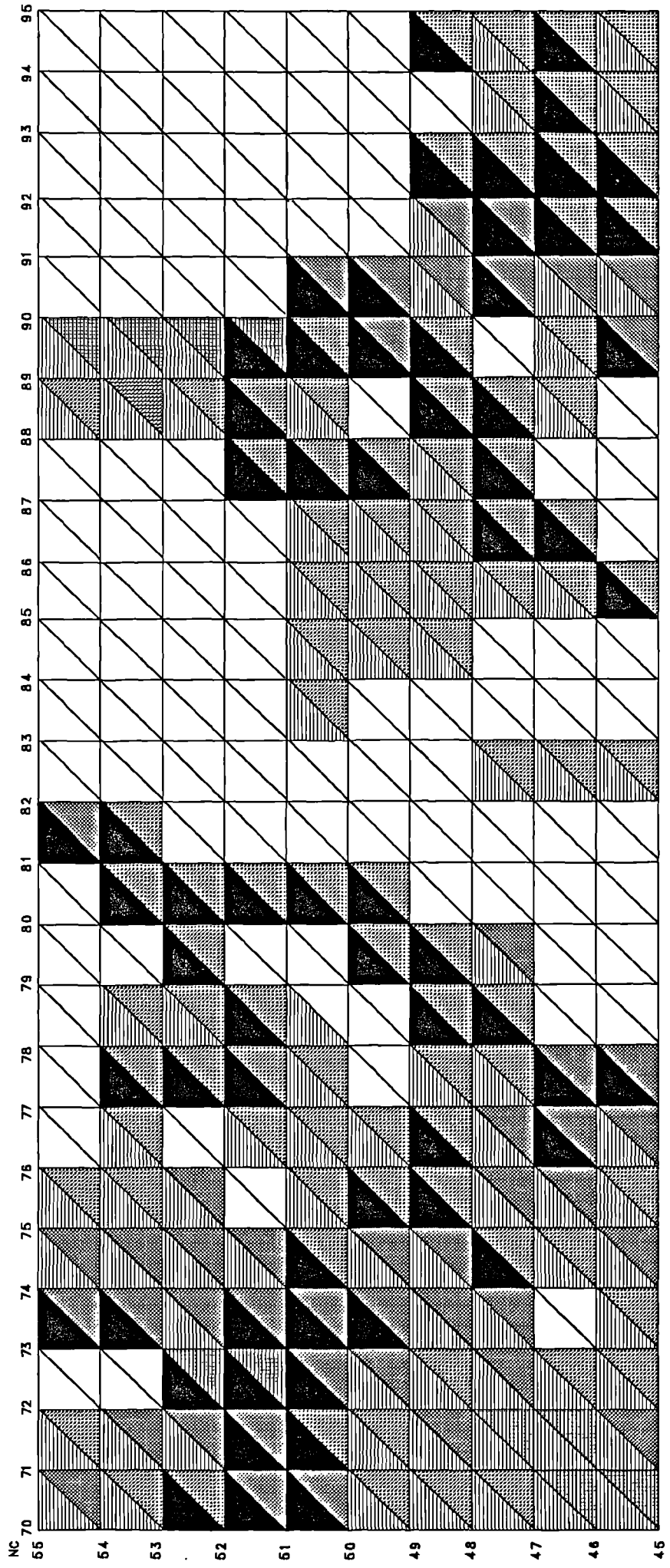


Fig. 5.6 (part 1) 1 km map of the area of the intensive survey illustrating the location of the surveyed 1 km grid squares, pine stump distribution, and soil types

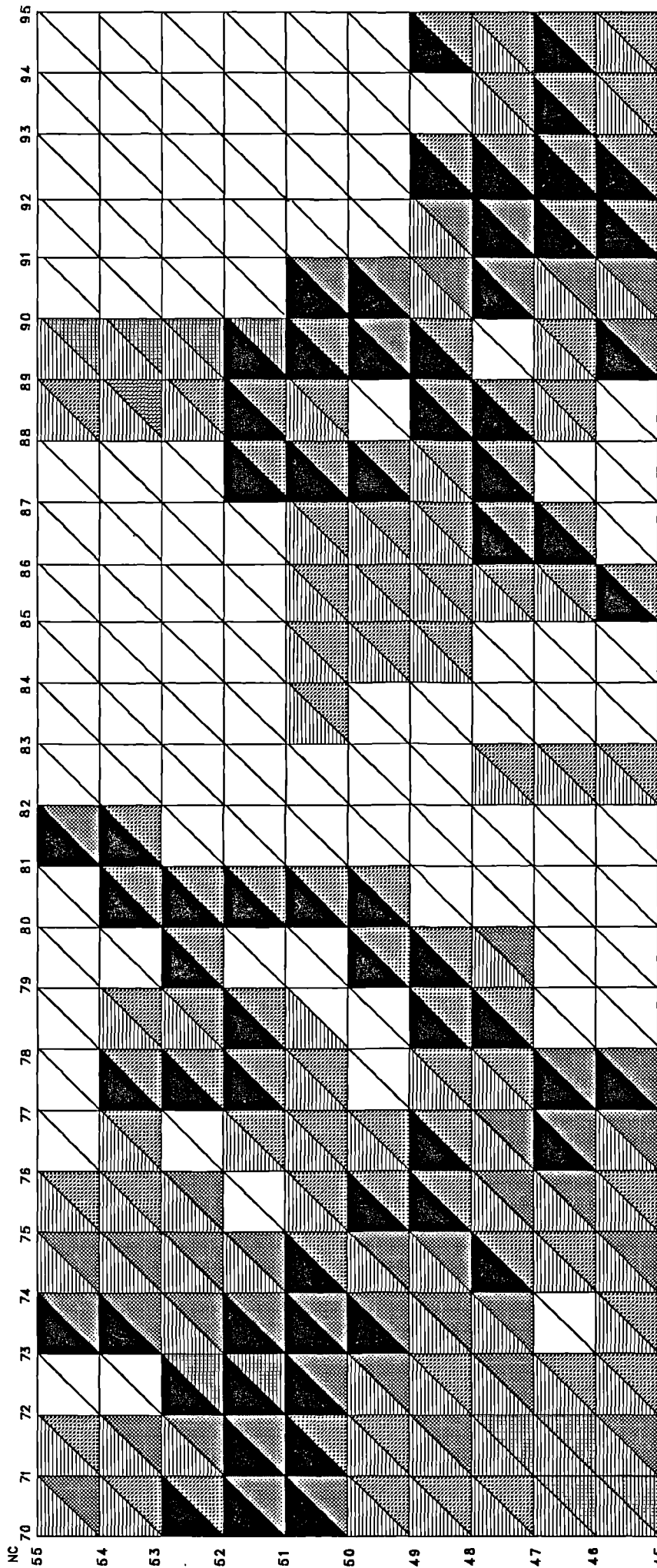


key

Soil category

- pine mure-fozalls present
- pine mure-fozalls not found
- 1 post <60 cms depth
- 2 blanket post >60 cms depth
- 3 alluvium and freely drained soils
- 4 soils derived from sandstone

Fig. 5.6 (continued) 1 km map of the area of the intensive survey illustrating the location of the surveyed 1 km grid squares, pine stump distribution, and soil types



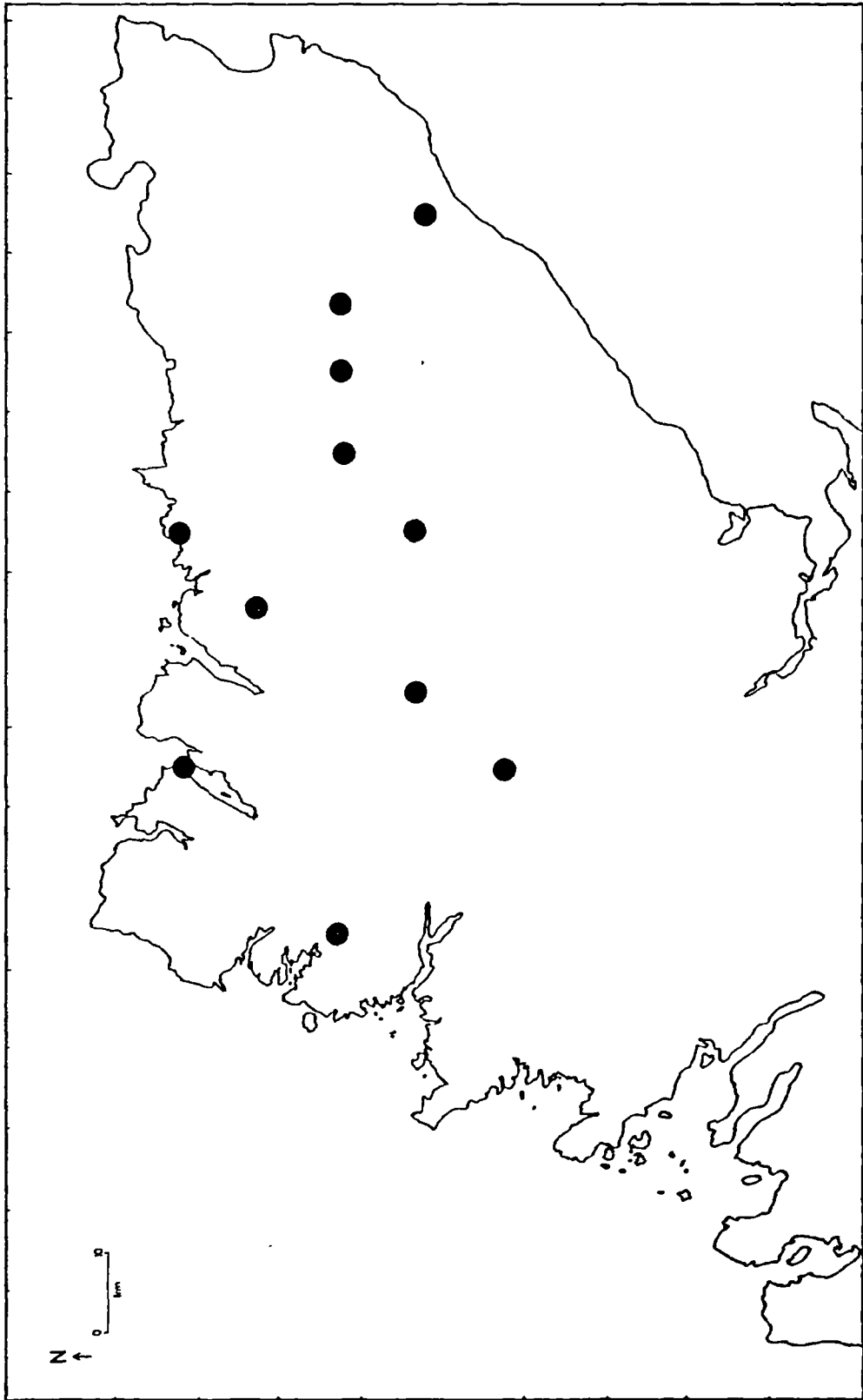
key

Soil category

- pine macro-fossils present
- ▨ 1 peat <60 cms depth
- ▩ pine macro-fossils not found
- ▧ 2 blondest peat >60 cms depth
- ▦ 3 alluvium and freely drained soils
- ▤ 4 soils derived from sandstone

1 km grid square not searched

Fig. 5.7 Distribution of *Pinus sylvestris* trunks plotted on a 10 km grid square basis - illustrating that good conditions for preservation occurred widely. Many stumps were preserved with thick layers of bark. Pine trunk records are only documented for the area that the present author has surveyed and does not include the findings of previous surveys .



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Fig. 5.8 The distribution of pine with altitude - The relationship between altitude and grid easting.
The dots mark the altitude that pine macro-fossils were found at within a 1 km grid easting. The arrows indicate the maximum and minimum potential altitude that pine could have attained within the 1 km grid squares that were searched for a grid easting. The dashed lines indicate that no pine macro-fossils were found within a grid easting.

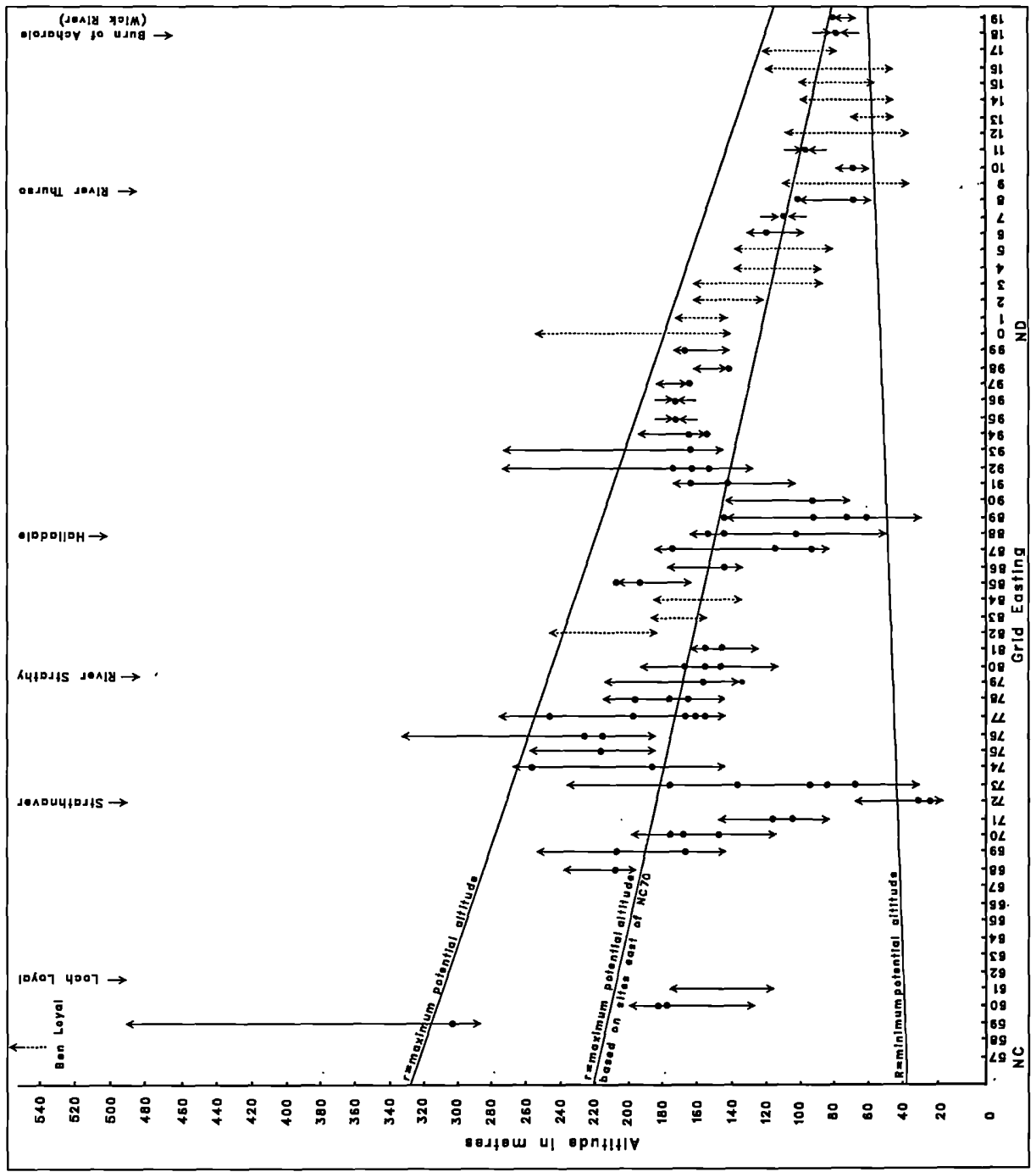


Fig. 5.9 The location of the sub-fossil and extant sites used to construct the density maps

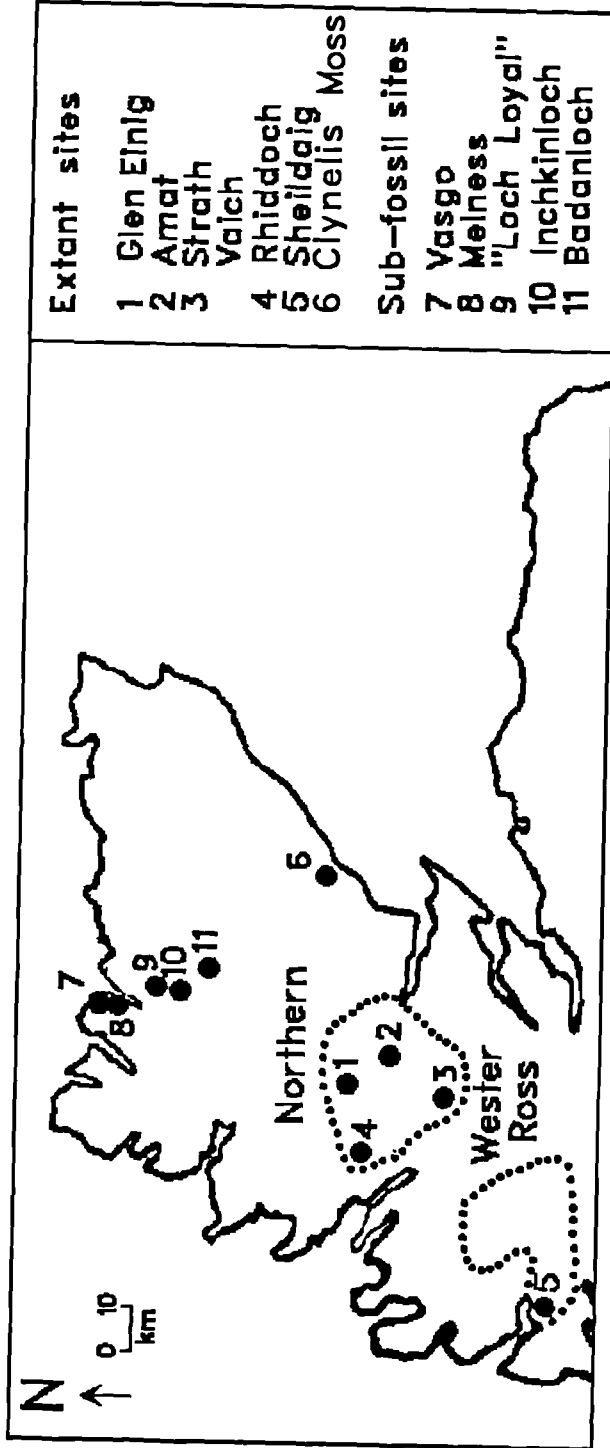


Fig. 5.10a,b,c, and d. Maps illustrating the spatial positions and size classes of trees in both sub-fossil (F) and extant localities (M). All the x-y co-ordinates are in metres. Basal area size classes are as follows: 1 = 0-10, 2 = 10-100, 3 = 100-500, 4 = 500-2000, 5 = 2,000-4,000 and 6 = >4,000 cm².

Fig. 5.10a Badanloch site 1

Fig. 5.10b Badanloch site 2

Fig. 5.10c Amat site 1

Fig. 5.10d Amat site 2

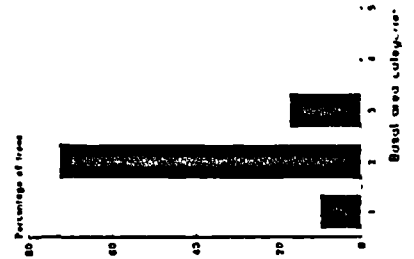
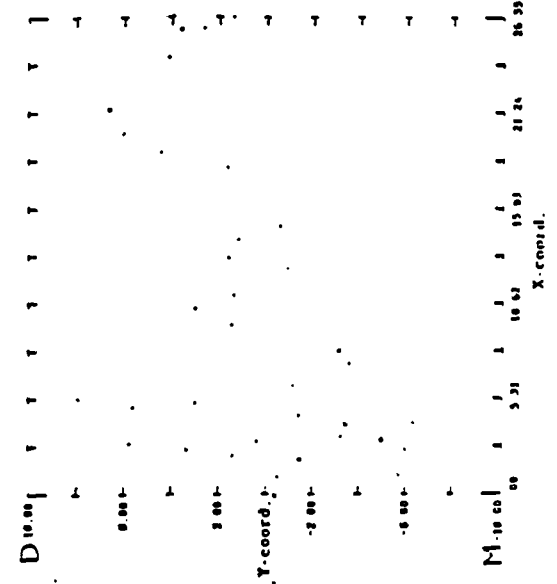
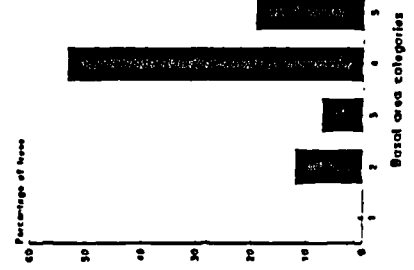
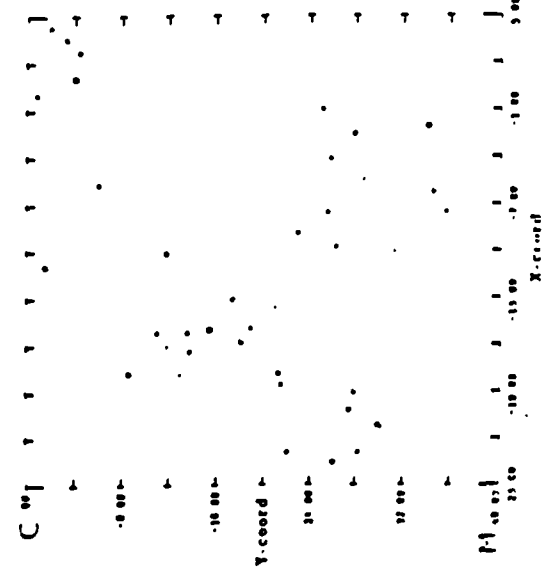
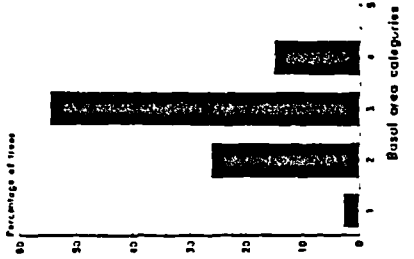
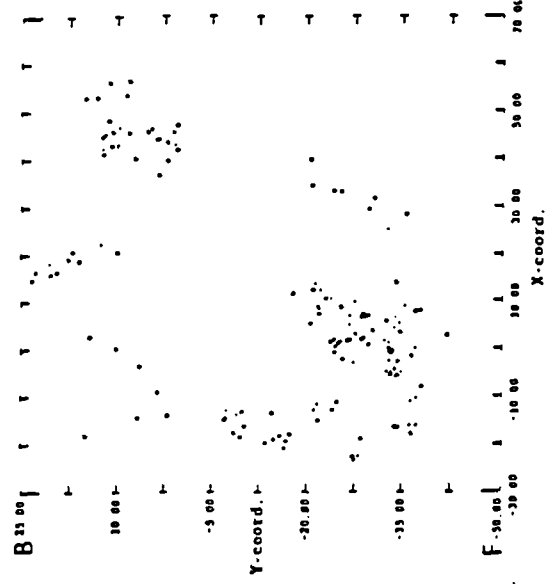
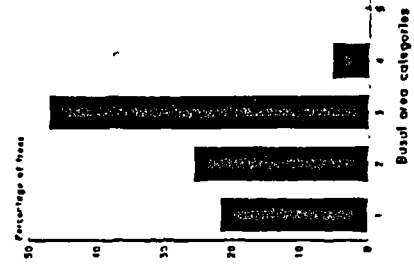
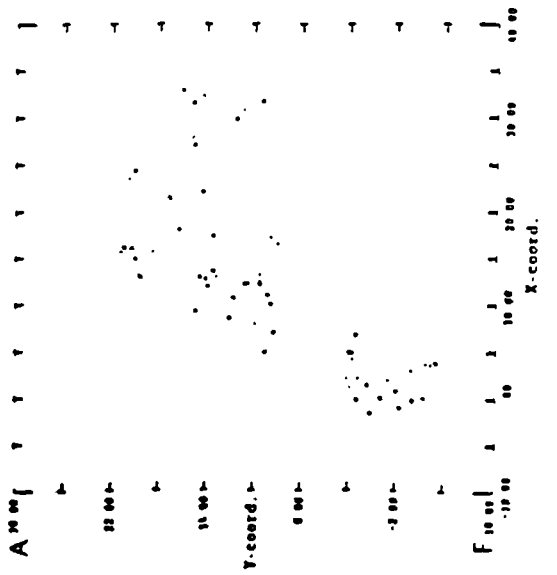


Fig. 5.11a,b,c, and d. Maps illustrating the spatial positions and size classes of trees in both sub-fossil (F) and extant localities (M). All the x-y co-ordinates are in metres. Basal area size classes are as follows: 1 = 0-10, 2 = 10-100, 3 = 100-500, 4 = 500-2000, 5 = 2,000-4,000 and 6 = >4,000 cm².

Fig. 5.11a "Loch Loyal"¹

Fig. 5.11b Vasgo

Fig. 5.11c Moss

Fig. 5.11d Glen Einig

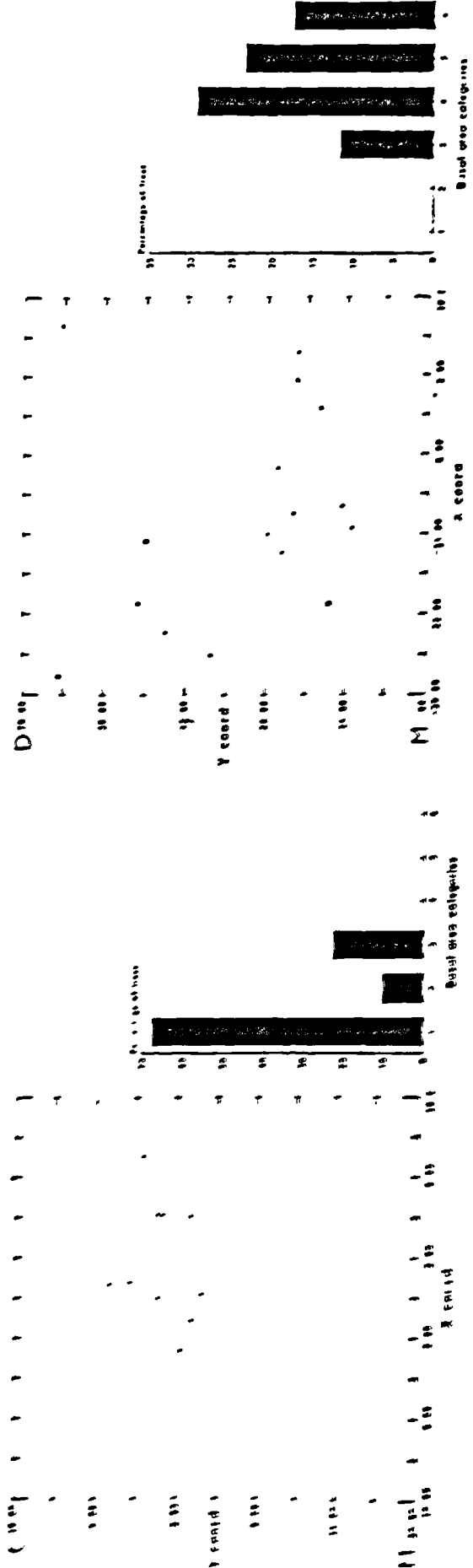
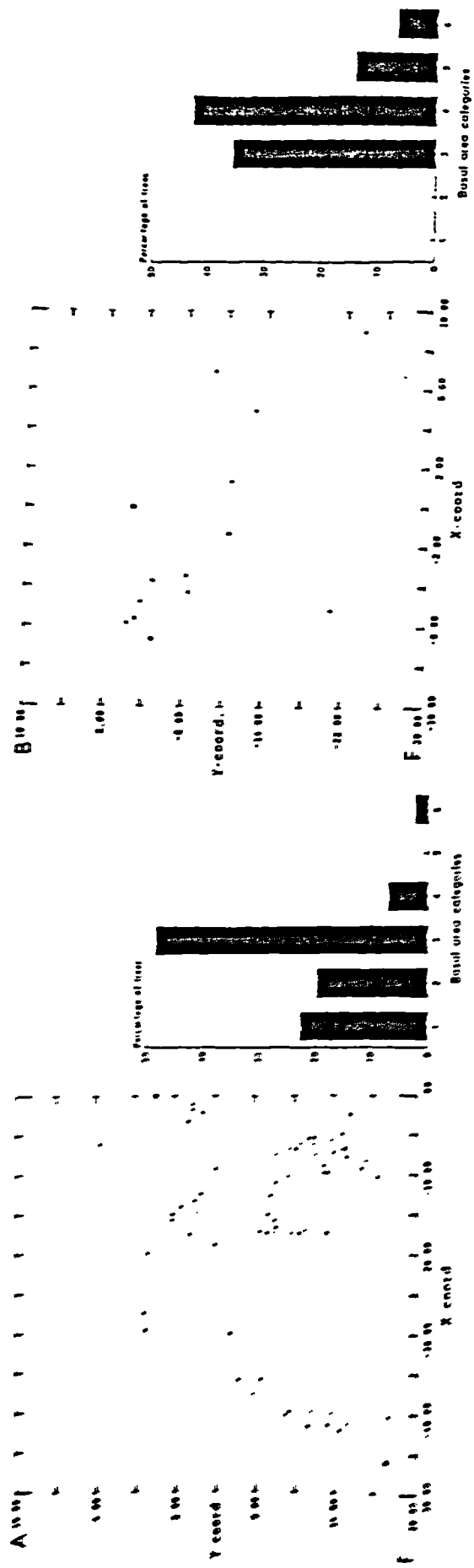


Fig. 5.12a,b,c, and d. Basal area and tree density plots for Melness and Inchkinloch based on both stump and root positions illustrating the substantial increase in tree density when root positions are used to estimate tree positions. Maps illustrating the spatial positions and size classes of trees in both sub-fossil (F) and extant localities (M). All the x-y coordinates are in metres. Basal area size classes are as follows: 1 = 0-10, 2 = 10-100, 3 = 100-500, 4 = 500-2000, 5 = 2,000-4,000 and 6 = >4,000 cm².

Fig. 5.12a Inchkinloch - Tree density based on stump positions

Fig. 5.12b Inchkinloch - Tree density based on root positions

Fig. 5.12c Melness - Tree density based on stump positions

Fig. 5.12d Melness - Tree density based on root positions

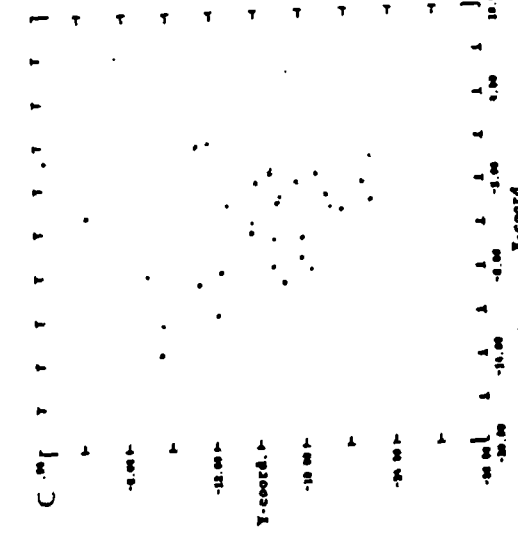
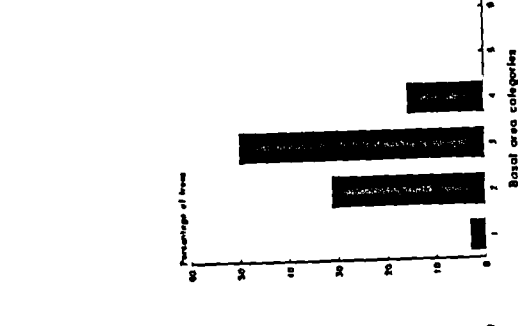
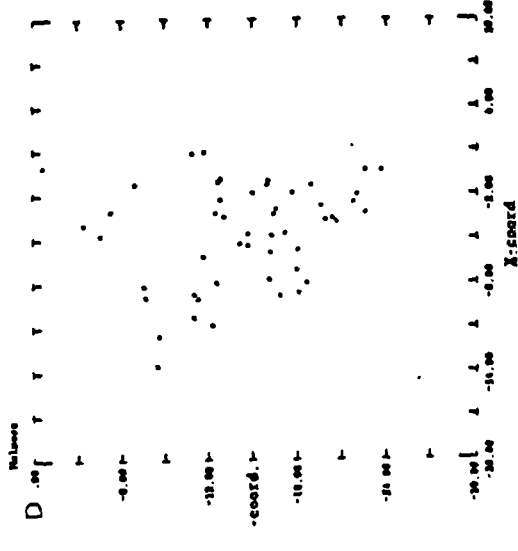
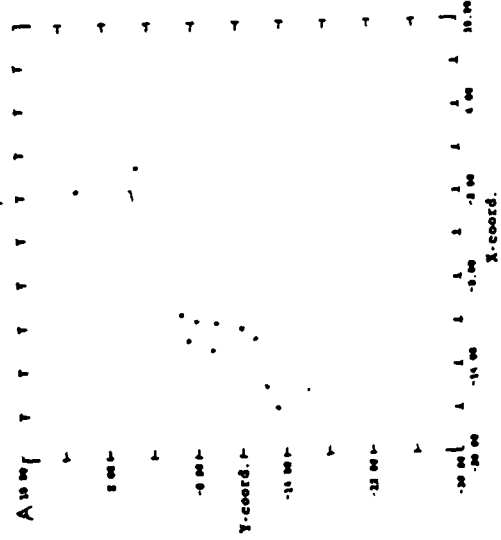
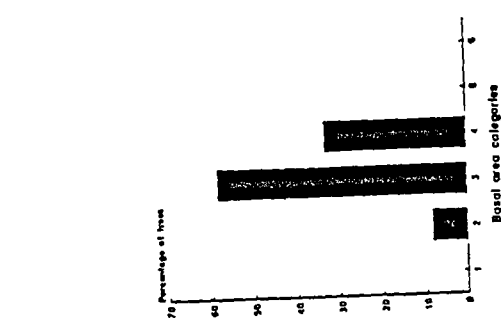
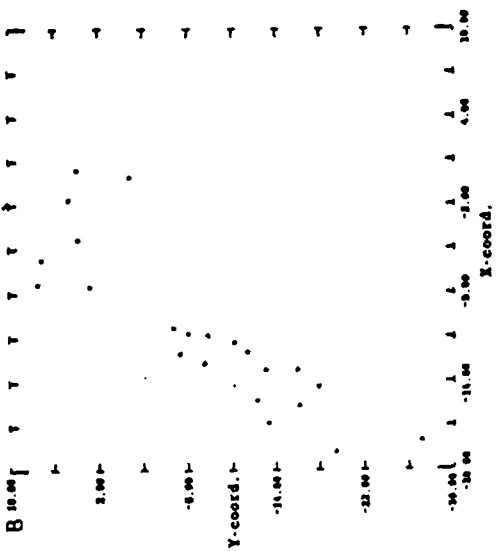


Fig. 5.13a and b. Two stands from different woods with approximately similar basal areas, but quite different age-class distributions. Maps illustrating the spatial positions and size classes of trees in both sub-fossil (F) and extant localities (M). All the x-y co-ordinates are in metres. Basal area size classes are as follows: 1 = 0-10, 2 = 10-100, 3 = 100-500, 4 = 500-2000, 5 = 2,000-4,000 and 6 = >4,000 cm².

Fig. 5.13a Rhiddoch site 1

Fig. 5.13b Sheildaig

Fig. 5.13c and d. Two stands from the same wood with quite different basal area estimates, but with similar age-class distributions

Fig. 5.13c Strath Vaich site 1

Fig. 5.13d Strath Vaich site 2

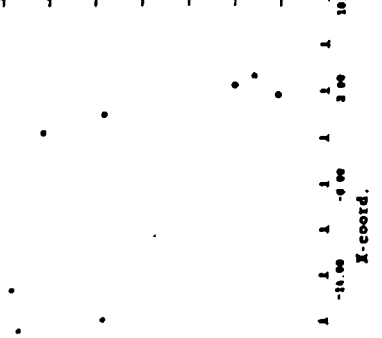
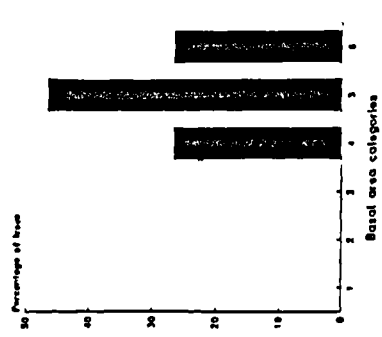
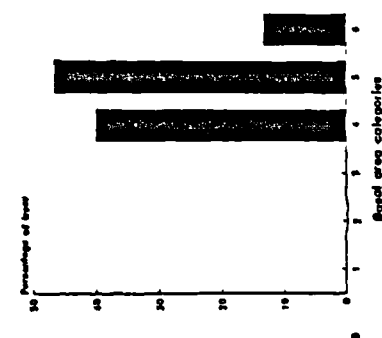
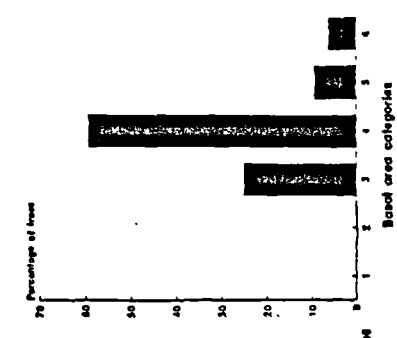
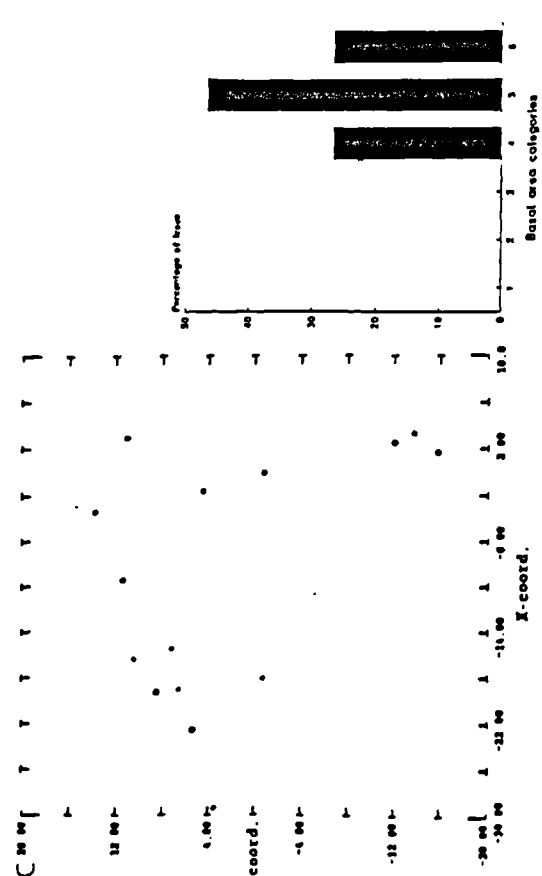
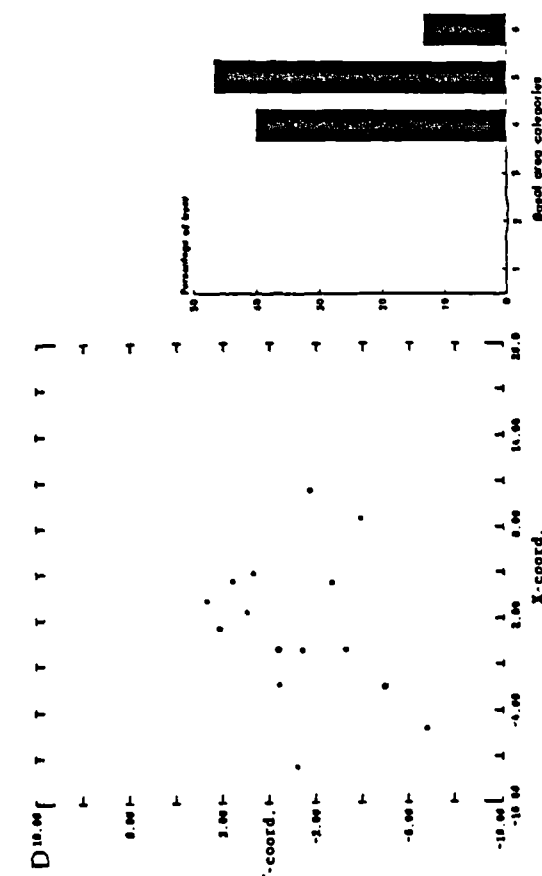
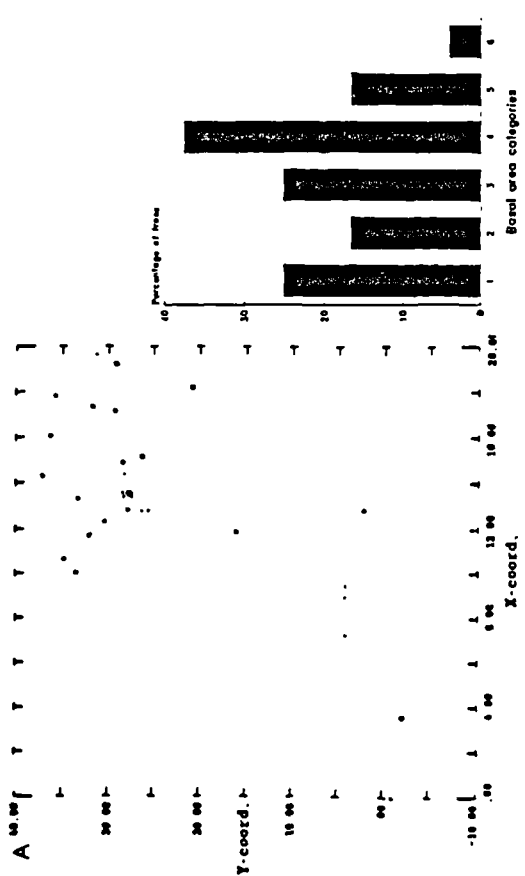
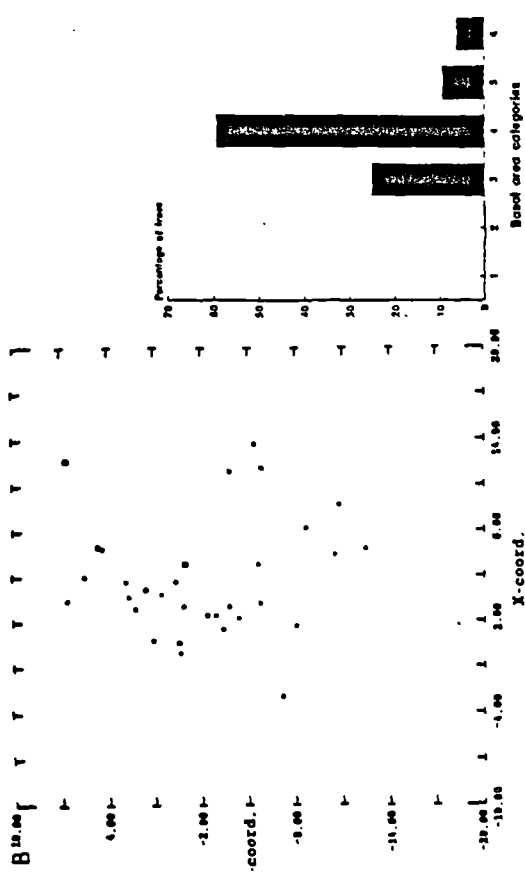


Fig. 5.14 Modern tree density and percentage canopy cover

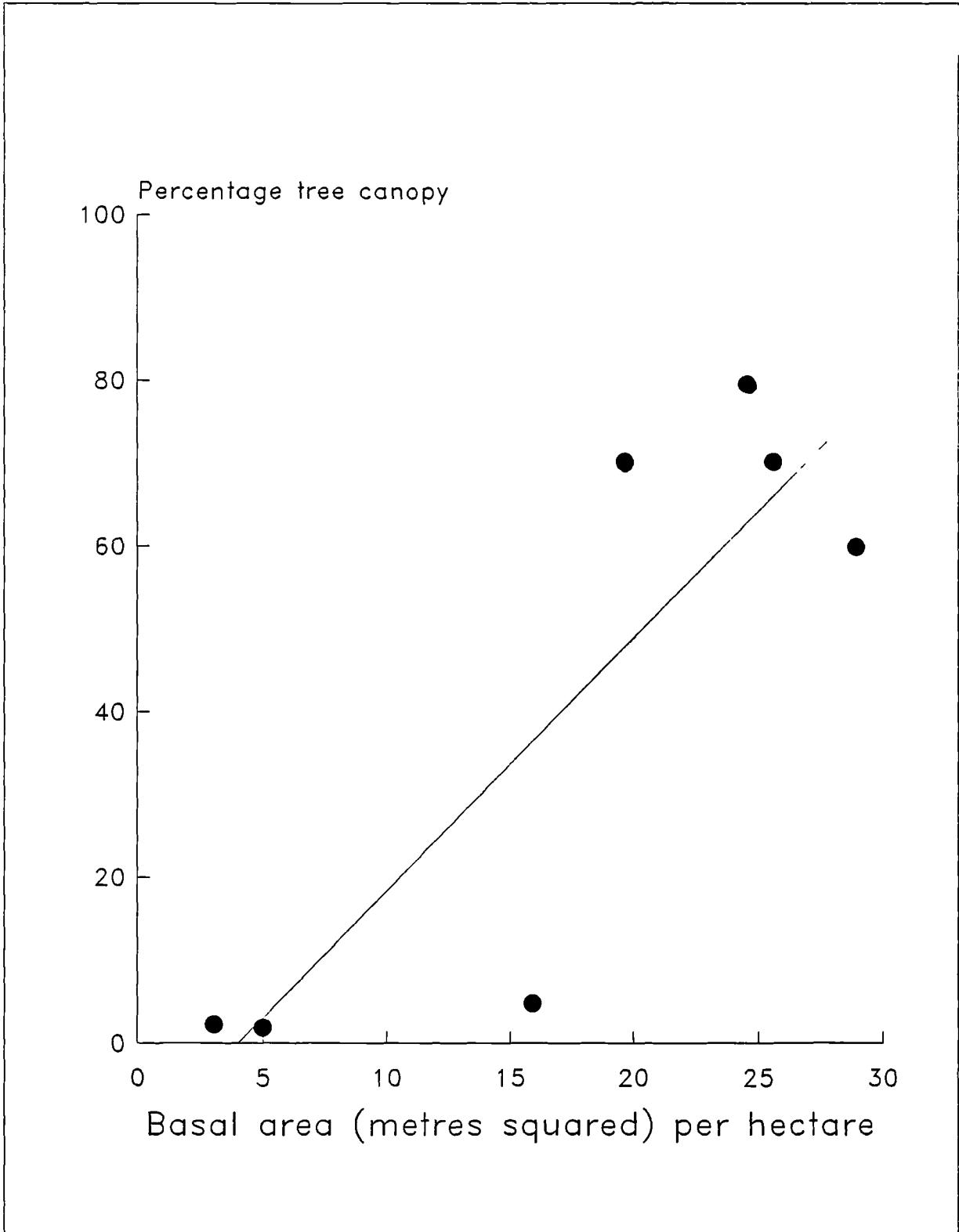


Fig. 6.1 The location of Lochstrathy

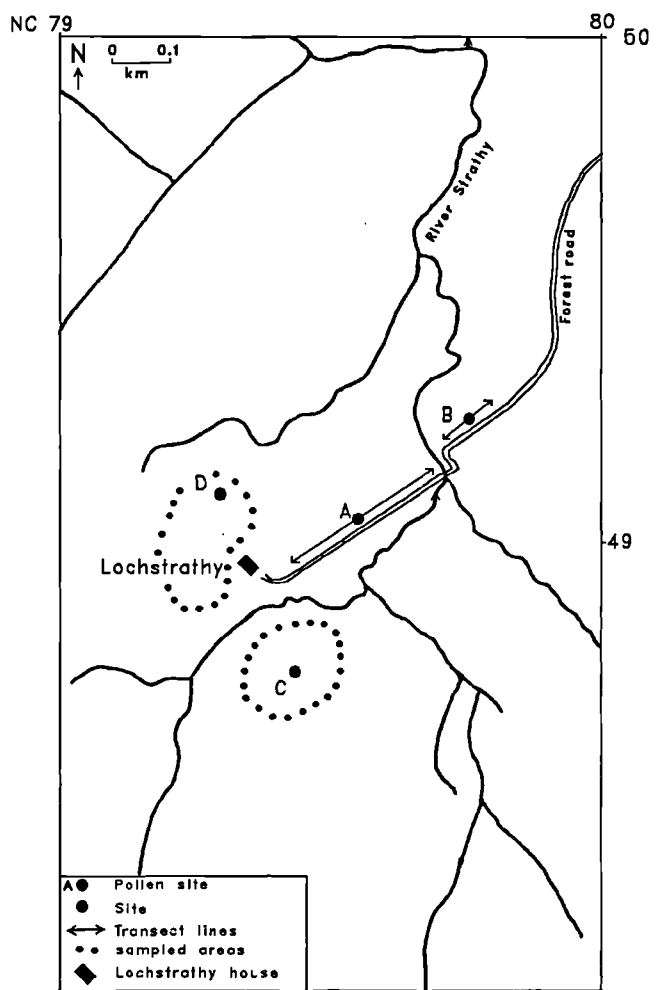
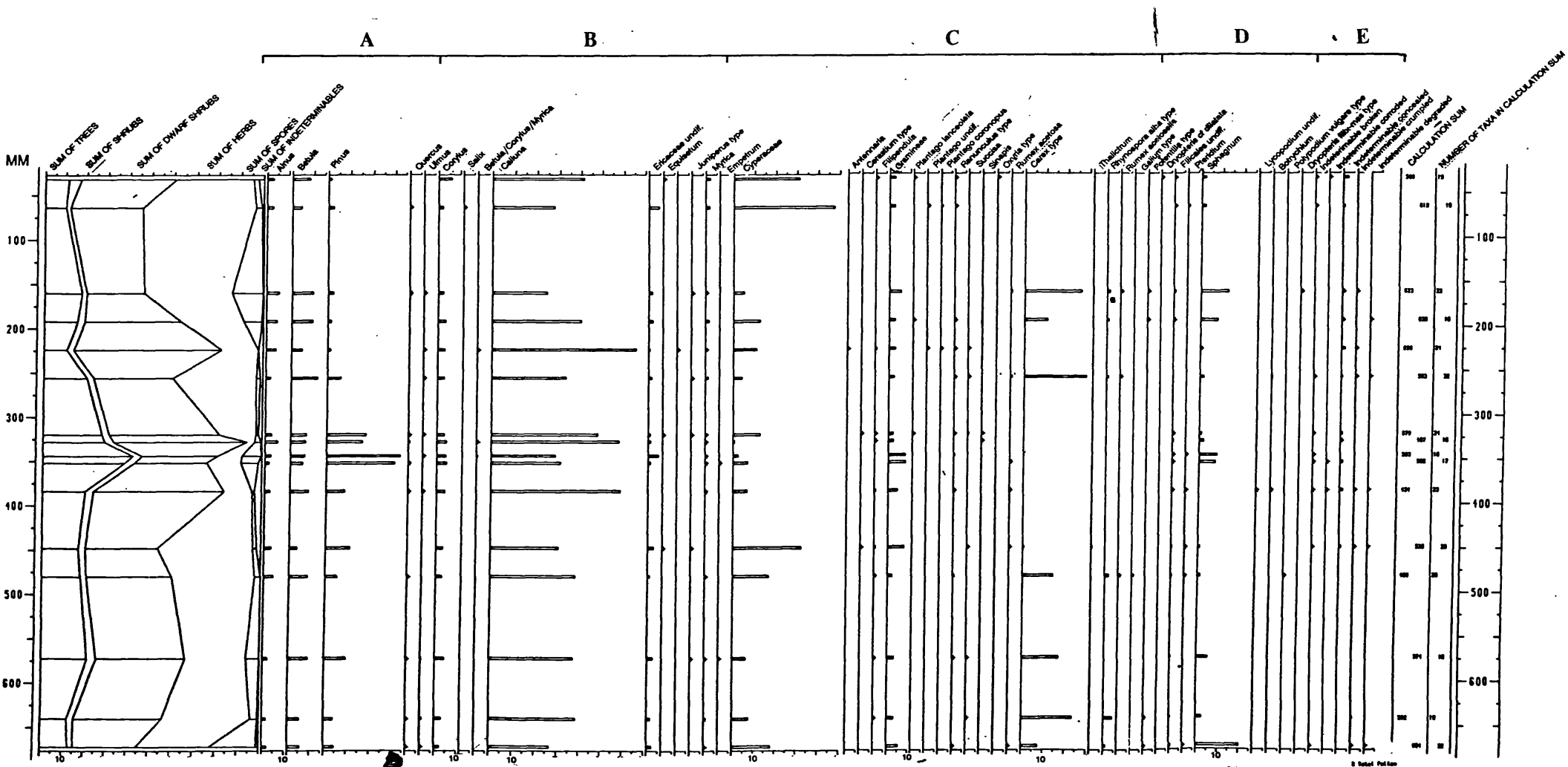


Fig. 6.2 Coarse-resolution percentage total land pollen diagram for Lochstrathy



MM

100

200

300

400

500

600

A

B

C

D

E

SUM OF TREES
SUM OF SHRUBS
SUM OF DWARF SHRUBS

SUM OF HERBS
SUM OF SPECIES
SUM OF INDETERMINABLES
Junif. Betula Pinus

Quercus
Urtica
Corylus

Salix
Betula/Corylus/Myrica
Galium

Elymus undif.
Equisetum
Juniperus type
Myrica
Empetrum
Cyperaceae

Artemisia
Carex type
Filipendula
Germineae
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Fig. 6.3 Fine-resolution percentage total land pollen diagram for Lochstrathy

Fig. 6.4 Macro-fossil diagram for Lochstrathy

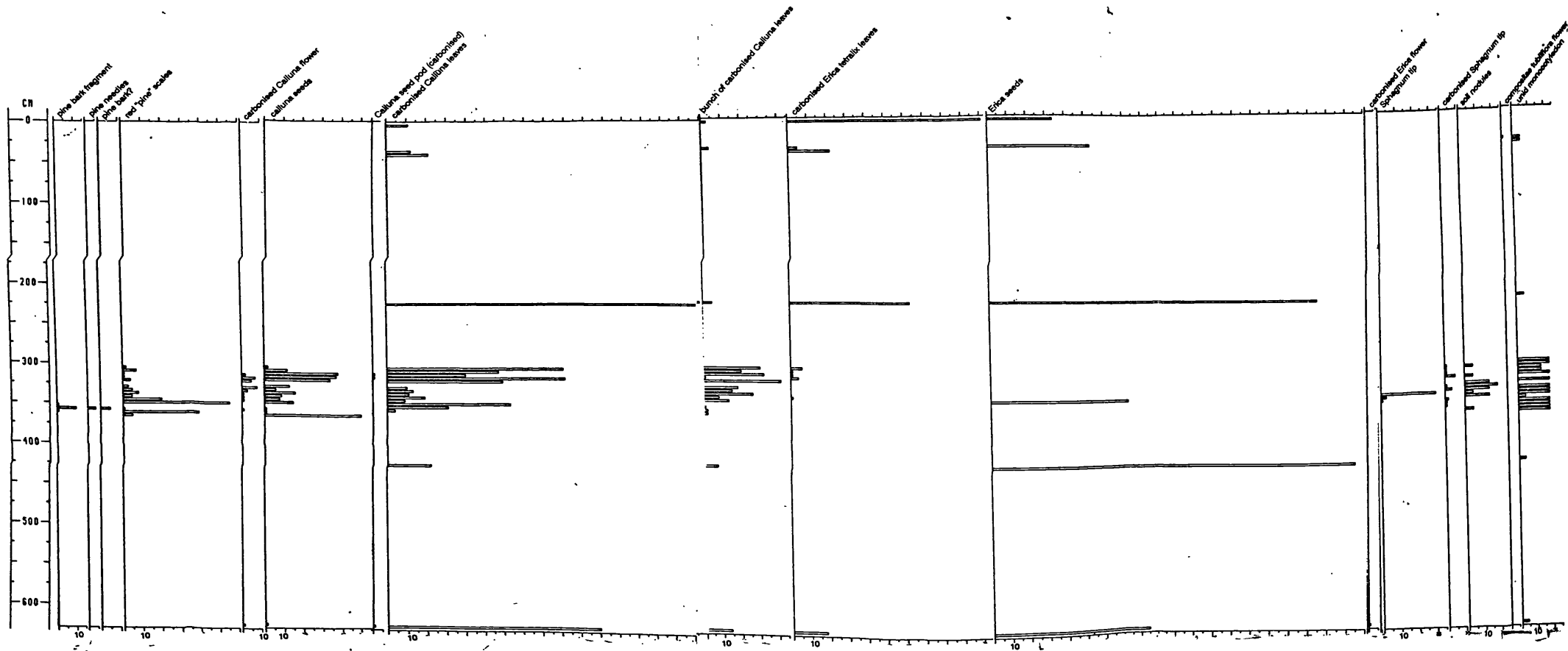


Fig. 6.5 The stratigraphic position of the pine pollen in relation to the position of the pine stump, and other pine macro-fossils

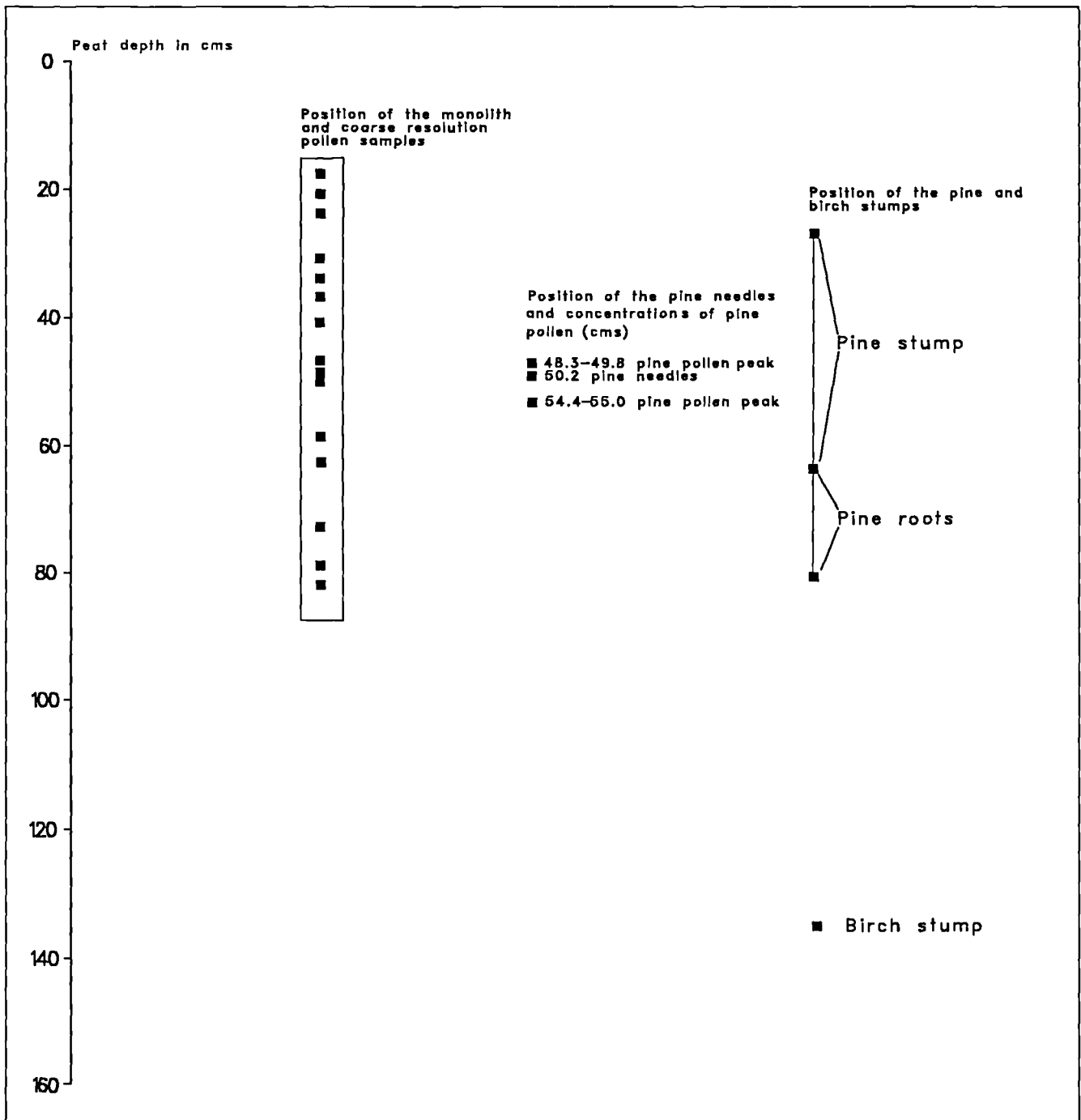


Fig. 6.6 Lochstrathy fine-resolution pollen concentration diagram. The pollen values have been divided by a factor of 1000.

Fig. 6.7a,b,c, and d. Maps illustrating the spatial positions and size classes of trees at Lochstrathy sites A, B, C, and D

All the x-y co-ordinates are in metres. Basal area size classes are as follows: 1 = 0-10, 2 = 10-100, 3 = 100-500, 4 = 500-2000, 5 = 2,00-4,00 and 6 = >4,000 cm².

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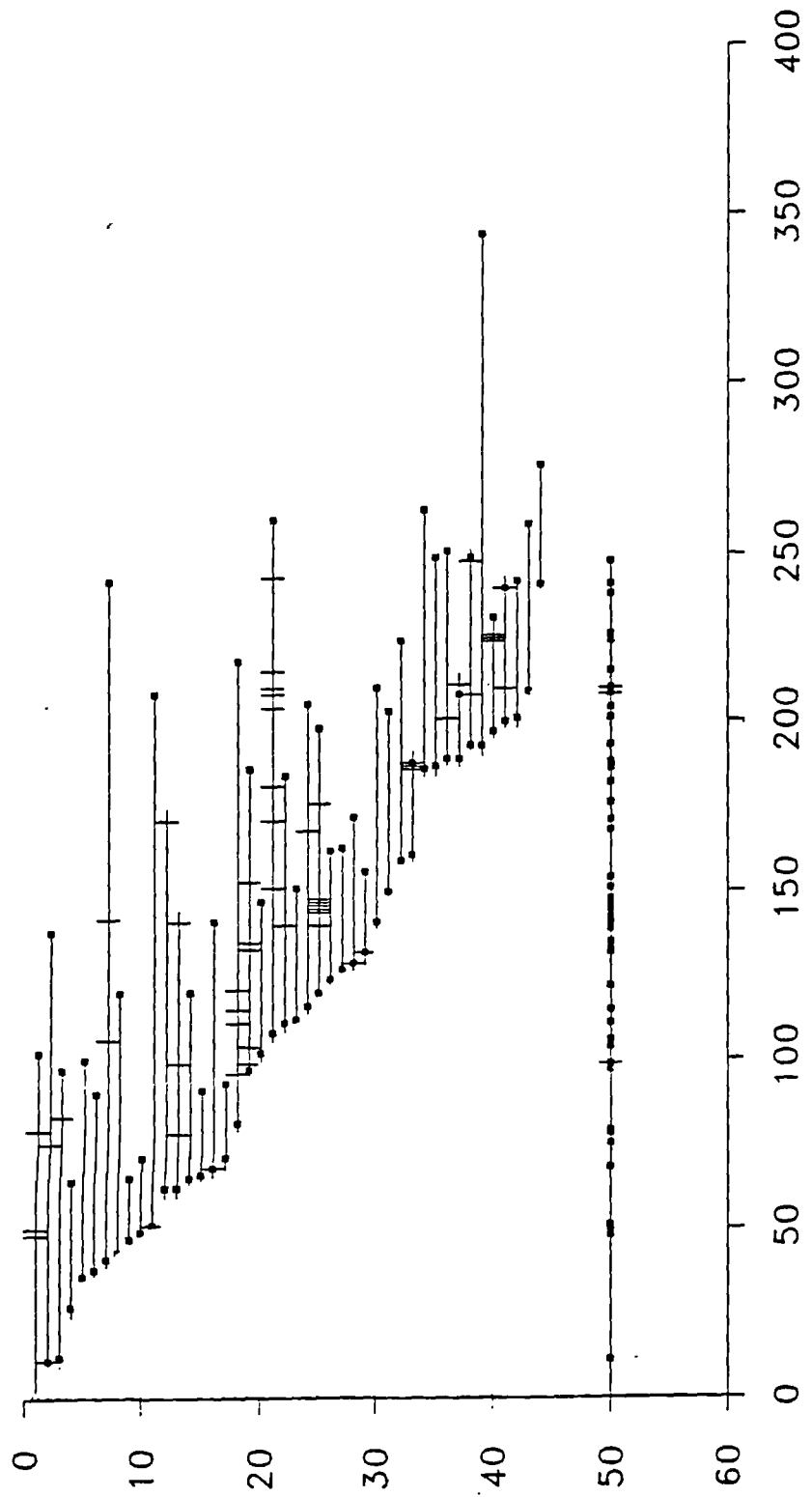
Fig. 6.7b Lochstrathy site B

Fig. 6.7c Lochstrathy site C

Fig. 6.7d Lochstrathy site D

Fig. 6.8 Relative position of dendrochronological samples for Lochstrathy. Series 1 indicates the birth and death of a tree. Series 2 indicates the positions of fire scars. Note that y co-ordinate 50 is the master fire chronology for Lochstrathy. Radiocarbon determinations are being made on samples 4, 7, 18, 35 and 39

Y co-ordinate	Sample code	Lochstrathy site code	Radius no.	Core present
1	244	C	3	+
2	252	D	1	+
3	245B	C	1	
4	060	A	1	
5	047	A	3	+
6	046	A	1	
7	050	A	4	
8	243	C	1	
9	SNK2	-	1	
10	231	-	1	
11	245A	C	2	
12	SNK1	-	2	
13	067	B	3	
14	066	B	1	
15	190	-	1	
16	233	C	1	
17	049	A	2	
18	044	A	1	
19	256A	D	2	
20	142	-	2	+
21	253	D	2	
22	237	C	1	
23	249	C	1	
24	235	C	1	
25	250B	C	1	
26	100	-	1	+
27	SNK3	-	2	
28	250A	C	2	
29	059B	A	2	
30	260	D	2	
31	043	A	1	
32	255	D	3	
33	234A	C	1	
34	264	D	1	
35	054	A	3	
36	068	B	3	
37	251	C	2	
38	254	D	1	
39	246	C	1	
40	257	A	3	
41	041	A	2	
42	059A	A	1	
43	234B	C	1	
44	062	B	2	
50	Master fire scar chronology			



Series 1 Series 2

Fig. 6.9a. Cumulative plots of births and deaths (after McNally and Doyle, 1984). Series 1 represents births and series 2 deaths

Fig. 6.9b. The log of the ratio of births to deaths plotted at 25 year intervals

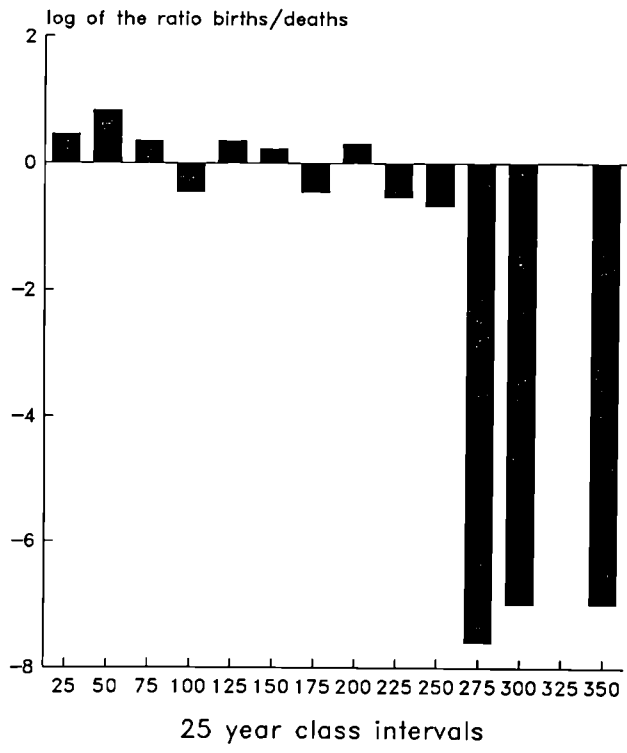
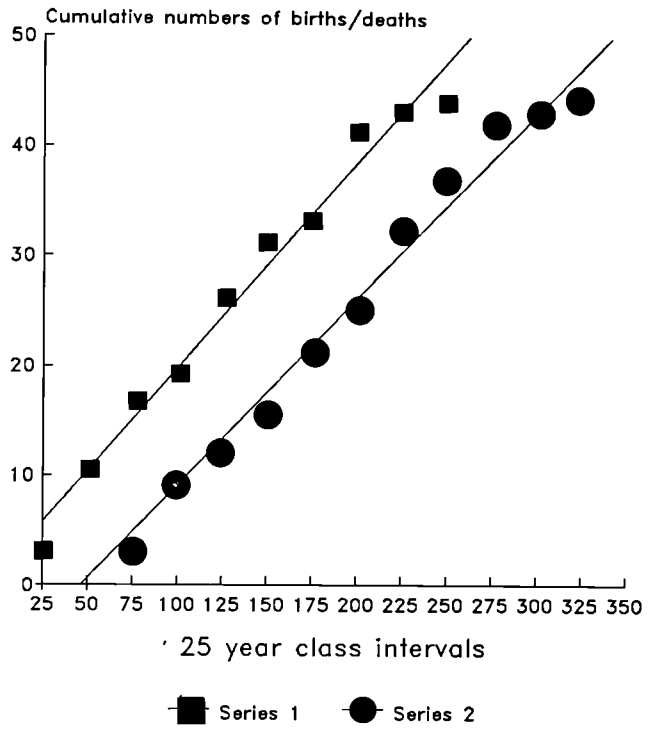


Fig. 6.9c. The population dynamics at Lochstrathy illustrating the number of trees that were germinated in a 25 year period (y-axis) and then subsequently, the number that of those individuals still alive at the beginning of each subsequent 25 year period.

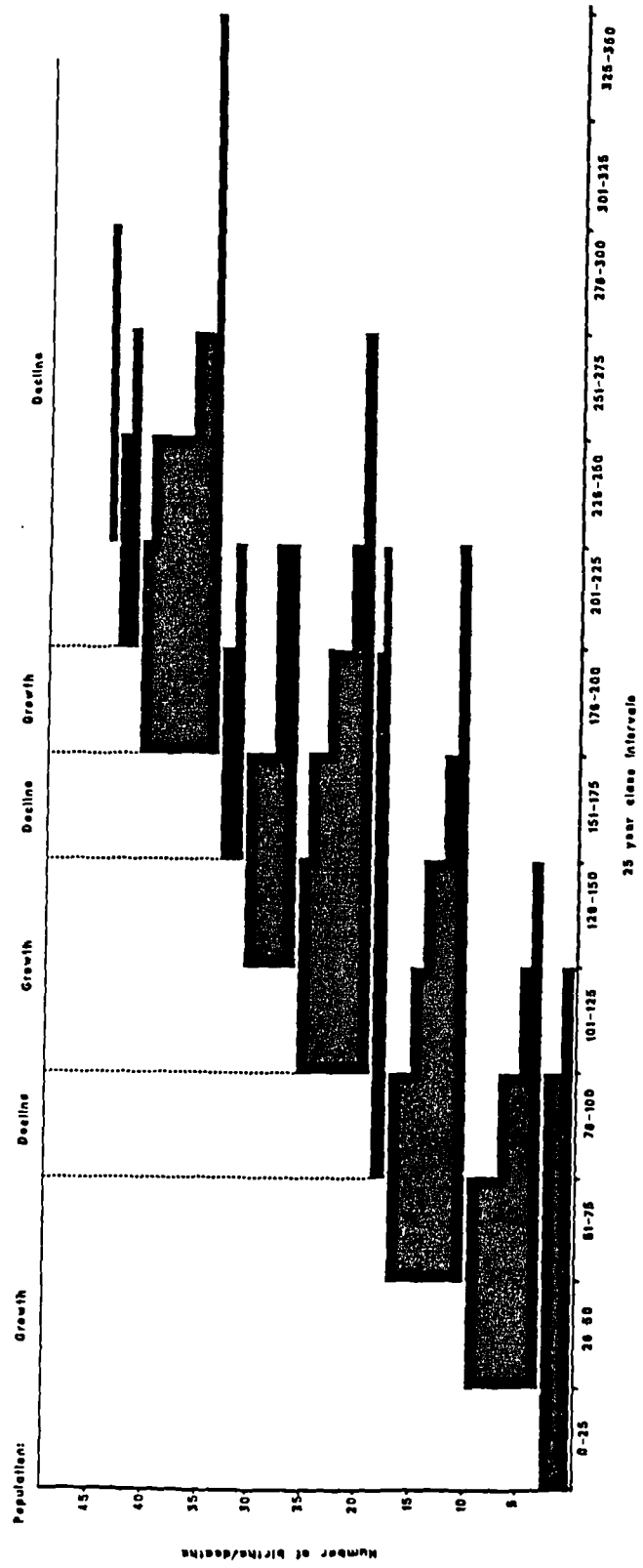


Fig. 6.10 The relative distribution of regeneration patterns at Lochstrathy sites A and B. Series 1 represents the births and deaths of individual trees. Series 2 represents the positions of fire scars. From left to right the sample codes are as follows: 041, 043, 044, 046, 047, 050, 054, 059, 066, 067, 068.

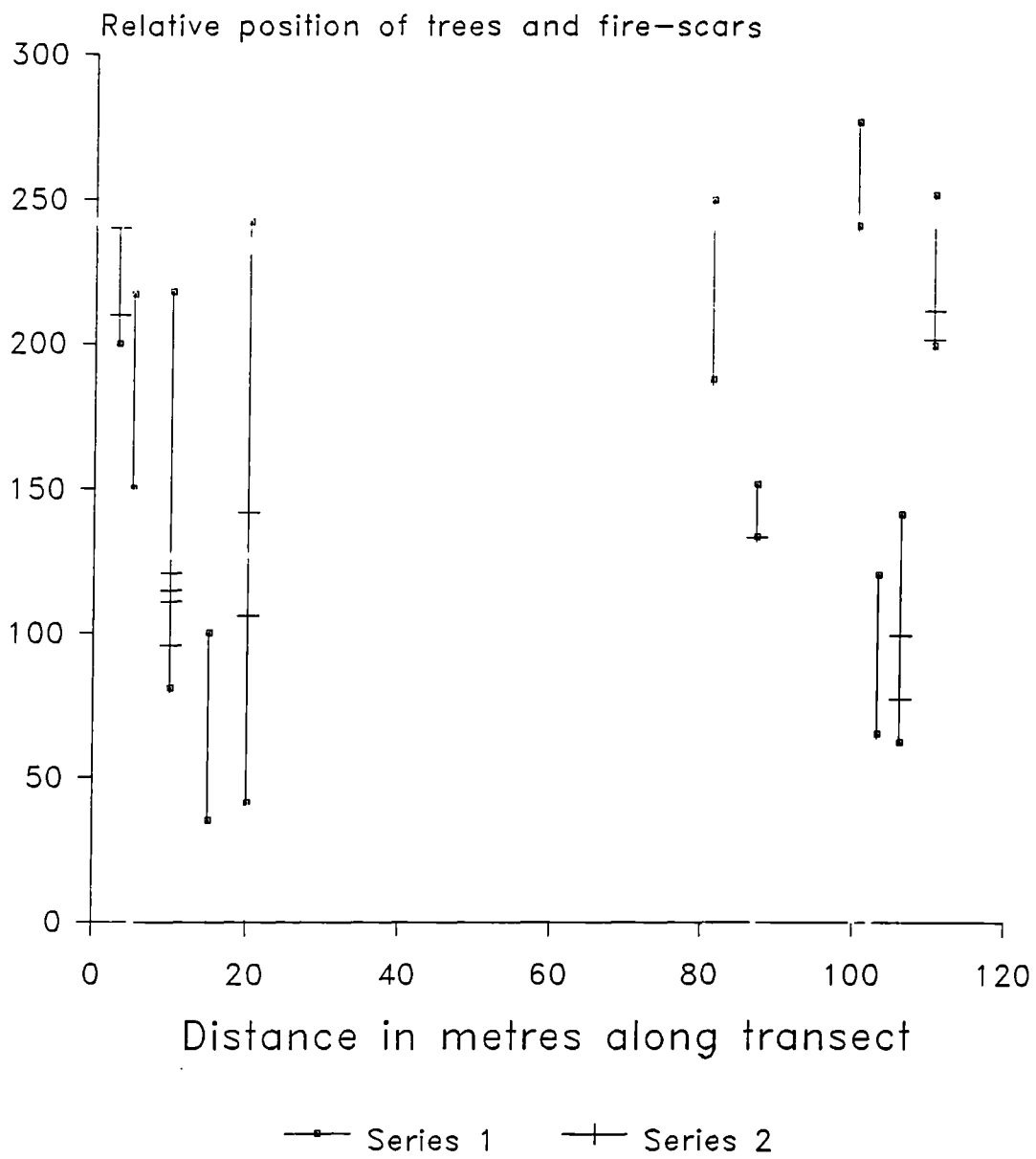
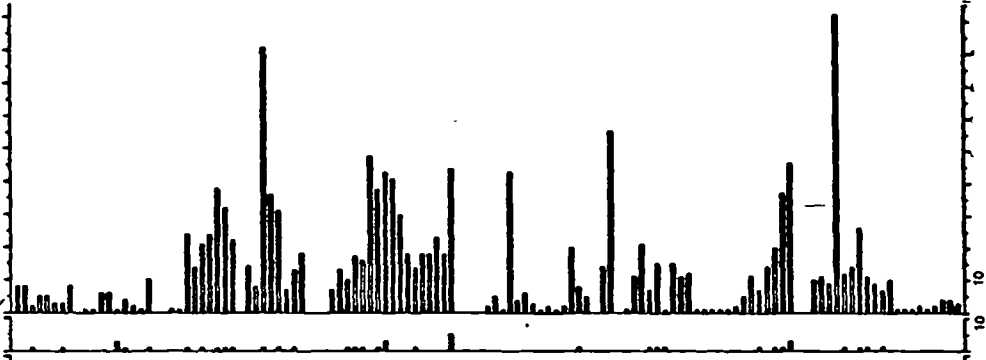


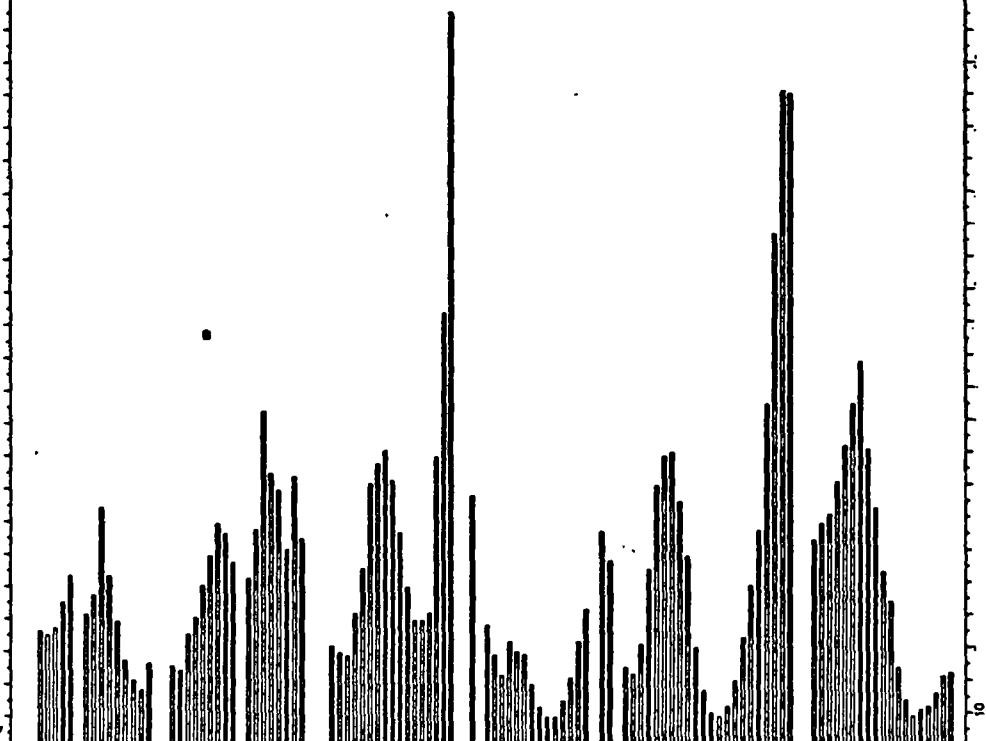
Fig. 6.11 1 mm, fine resolution, charcoal diagram for Lochstrathy. The curves from left to right are as follows: 1. total number of charcoal particles >2mm, 2. total number of charcoal particles < 2mm, 3. weighted running mean, 4 = number of charcoal particles >2mm $\text{cm}^{-2}.\text{yr}^{-1}$, 5 = number of charcoal particles <2mm $\text{cm}^{-2}.\text{yr}^{-1}$.

N.B. Curve 2 has been divided by a factor of 5.

No. 2mm chemical particles (m² 2)
(46 2)



weighted running mean 5



No. 2mm chemical particles
No. 2mm chemical particles

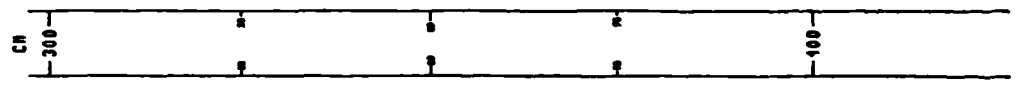
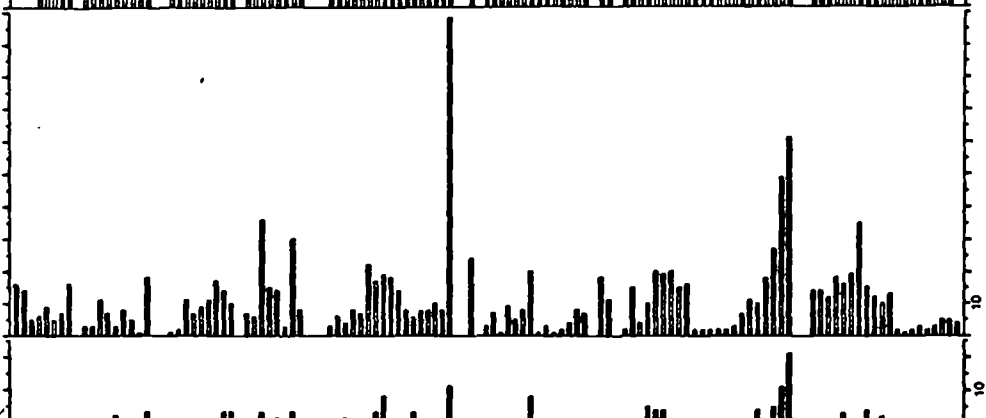


Fig. 6.12a Histogram illustrating the decline in the mean fire interval between consecutive fires for individual samples

Fig. 6.12b Histogram illustrating the number of fires recorded per 25 year class intervals

Fig. 6.12c Histogram recording the number of fires recorded in 25 year class intervals in relation to the number of trees that were alive during the 25 year periods

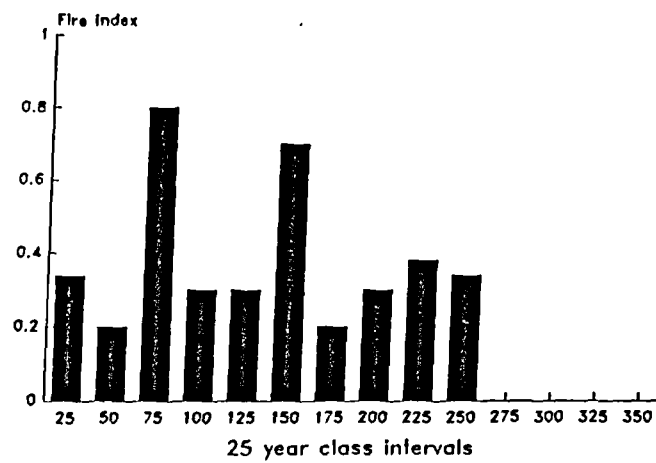
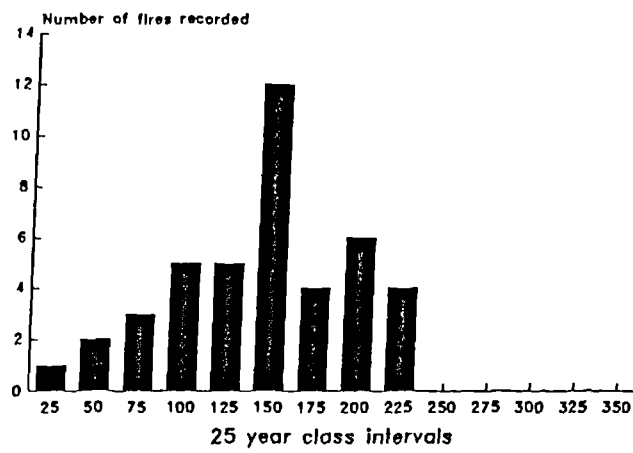


Fig. 6.13 The extent of forest fires in the "fire years" 99, 208, and 210

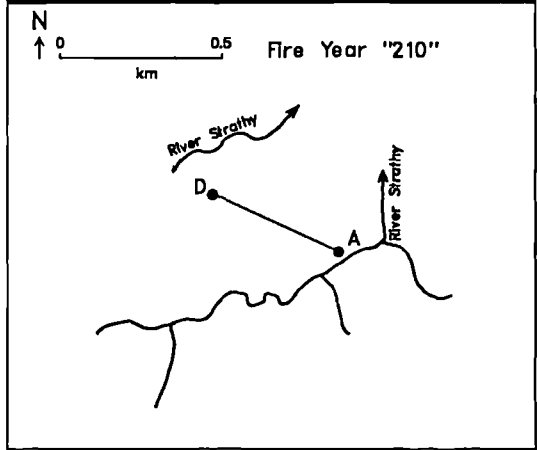
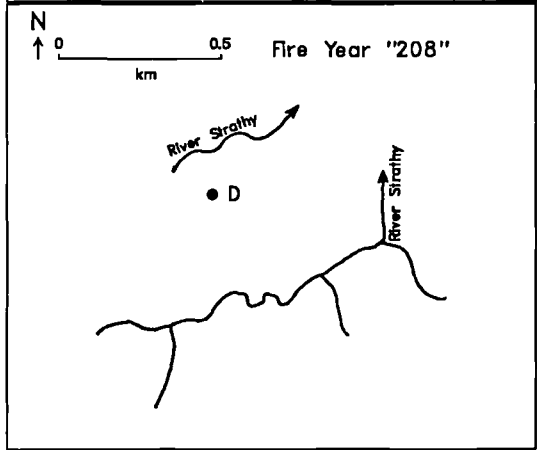
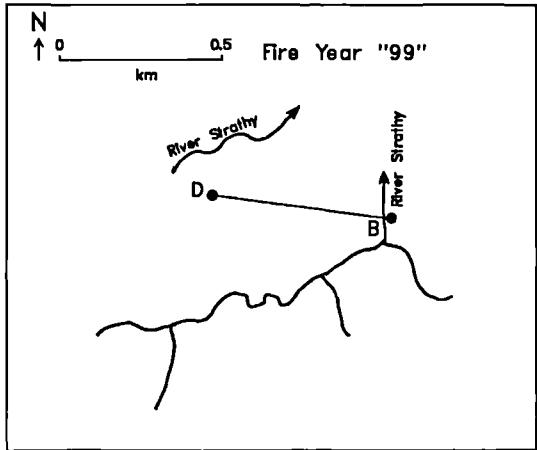


Fig. 6.14 The distribution of sub-fossil *Pinus sylvestris* cones and seedlings on a 10 km square basis. Diamonds represent the presence of pine seedlings while dots the presence of pine cones. 1 = cones discovered by Mr. A. Scott (per. comm), 2 = cones recorded by Lewis (1906), 3 and 4 = cones discovered by the author.

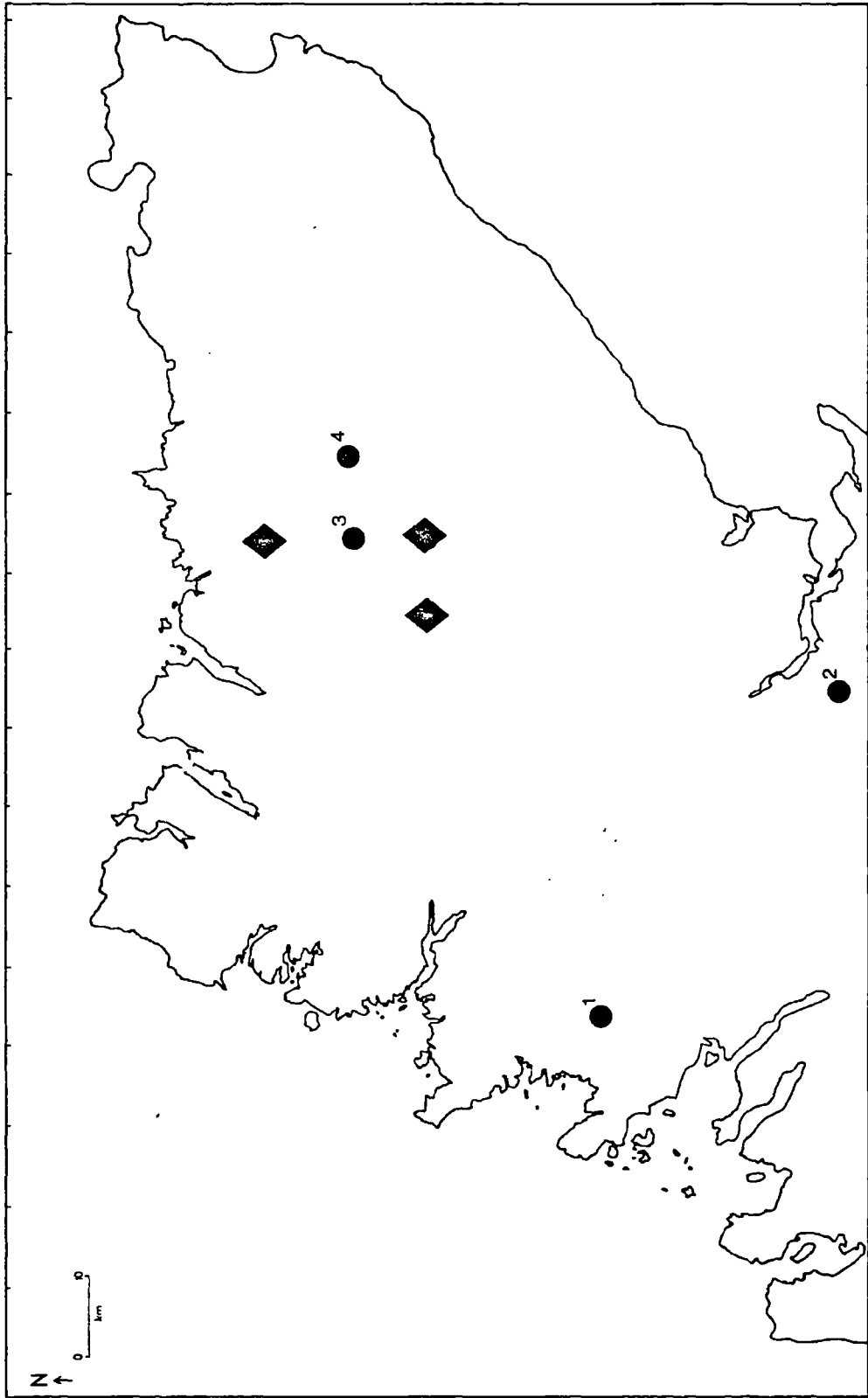


Plate 5.1a *Pinus sylvestris* stumps exposed along the shores of Badanloch - general view



Plate 5.1b *Pinus sylvestris* stumps exposed along the shores of Badanloch showing that all the stumps were once interstratified within the peat



Plate 6.1 The gently undulating topography of Lochstrathy



Plate 6.2 The location of the Lochstrathy monolith in relation to the *Pinus sylvestris* stump layer



Plate 6.3 *Pinus sylvestris* seedlings found at Lochstrathy



Plate 6.4a *Pinus sylvestris* cones and bark found near Ben Giam



Plate 6.4b Close-up of some of the *Pinus sylvestris* cones that contained seed

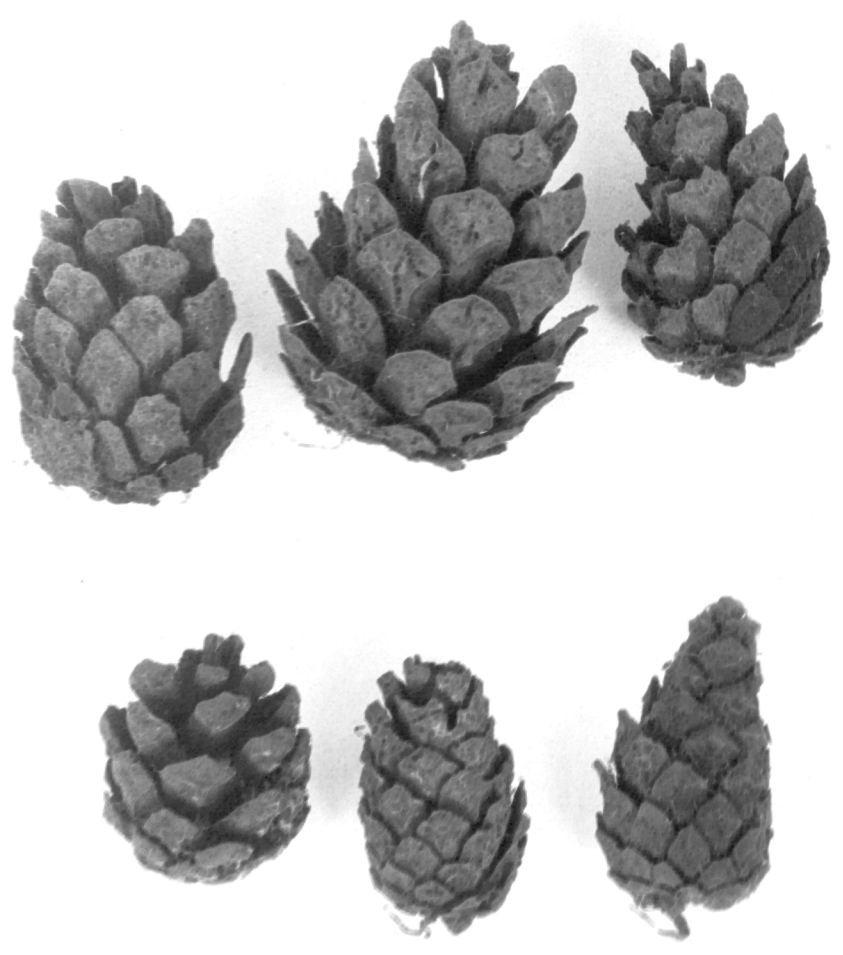


Plate 6.5 Tap roots at Badanloch

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Plate 6.6 A wind-thrown sub-fossil pine tree -This sub-fossil pine tree was lifted out of Lochan na Uimheachd with its roots still attached to its trunk



APPENDIX 1

Special variables recorded during the vegetation survey and notes on Tables 3.6-3.15

Altitude in metres - taken from the Ordnance Survey maps

Bare rock - distinguishes the presence/absence of bare rock within a quadrat. 1 = present, 2 = absent.

Bare soil - distinguishes the presence/absence of bare soil within a quadrat. 1 = present, 2 = absent.

Geology - 1 = Fluvio-glacial, 2 = Moine Gneiss, 3 = Alluvial terrace, 4 = Hornblend, schist, gneiss, 5 = Injection rocks formed of granite and siliceous semi-peltic and peltic rocks, 6 = Hornblendic rocks of the injection complex, 7 = First lowest terrace, 8 = Margins of older glacial terrace, 9 = Siliceous and semi-peltic granulites invaded by many granite veins, 10 = Hornblendic gneiss or schist, sometimes Biotite or Muscovite, 11 = Granite of the Loch Choire complex, 12 = Injection rocks formed from granite and mica-schist, 13 = Older raised beach, 14 = Schistose marble, 15 = Thrust Lewisian Gneiss, 16 = Margins of glacial terrace or Moine schist, 17 = Siliceous schists and quartz-biotite granulites, 18 = Siliceous granulites, 19 = Granulite Syenite, 20 = Moine schist, Mioaeous Gneiss and Quartzose flagstones, 21 = Peltic Gneiss and schist, 22 = Peltic Gneiss and schist, 23 = Torridon, 24 = Granulitic schists, indifferntiated.

The map reference is a full 8-figure Ordnance Survey reference that has been divided into 3 sections: 1 = Grid reference easting, 2 = Grid reference northing, 3 = Grid reference 100 km square

Herb percentage cover (%)

Herb height (cm)

Moss percentage cover (%)

Moss height (cm)

Shrub percentage cover

Shrub height (cm)

Tree canopy cover (%)

Tree height (m)

Slope category - 1 = Flat, 2 = gentle, 3 = moderate, 4 = steep, 5 = very steep

Soil moisture category - 1 = stream/flush present

Soil type - 1 = Humus iron podsols, 2 = Brown forest soils (Arkaig 25), 3 = Fluvio-glacial sands and gravels (Corby), 4 = Freely drained drift derived from schists of Moinian age, 5 = Mixed bottom land (Corby KMC), 6 = Iron humus podsols, 7 = Peaty gleys, peaty podsols and peaty rankers (29), 8 = Peaty podsols, peat, peaty gleys (26, 185, 554), 9 = peaty podsols, peaty gleys and deep peat (SR_C), 10 = Freely drained below iron pan, drifts derived from granulites and schists of Moinian age (QD), 11 = Basin and valley peat > 100 cm (BPT2), 12 = Peat, peaty gleys and peaty podsols (23), 13 = Humus iron

podsoles, some brown forest soils, noncalcareous gleys and peaty gleys (20), 14 = Humus iron podsoles some gleys and rankers (Countesswell 125), 15 = Peaty gleys, peat and some peaty podsoles (119), 16 = Humus iron podsoles and some brown forest soils (29, 20), 17 = Peaty gleys, peaty podsoles and peaty rankers (31), 18 = Brown forest soils, humus-iron podsoles, some brown rankers and non-calcareous gleys (Arkaig 18), 19 = Brown forest soils, humus-iron podsoles, some gleys and peat (Arkaig 25), 20 = Alluvial soils, flood plain terraces, and former lake beds (Alluvial soil 1), 21 = Brown forest soils, humus iron podsoles, rankers, some peaty gleys and peat (Countesswell 121), 22 = Brown forest soils, brown rankers, some humic gleys and peaty podsoles (Torridon 555), 23 = Peaty gleys, peat, peaty rankers, some peaty podsoles (Lochinver 395), 24 = Peaty podsoles, peaty gleys, shallow and deep peat, some peaty rankers (Asc), 25 = blanket peat >100 cm, 26 = Poorly drained gleys, 27 = Humus-iron podsoles and alluvial soils (Corby 98), 28 = Peaty podsoles, peaty gleys, shallow and deep peat (Pic), 29 = Peaty podsoles, shallow and deep peat (TQc), 30 = Peaty podsoles, some humus iron podsoles and peat.

Thematic Mapper image colour - 1 = emerald green, 2 = dark green, 3 = light green, 4 = green, 5 = royal blue, 6 = turquoise blue, 7 = blue, 8 = turquoise blue/emerald green, 9 = white, 10 = turquoise blue/white, 11 = white/yellow, 12 = white/blue, 13 = white pink, 14 = red, 15 = red/orange, 16 = orange, 17 = orange/yellow, 18 = yellow/orange, 19 = pink, 20 = yellow, 21 = mosaic of >3 colours, 22 = red/pink, 23 = pink/golden, 24 = white/pink, 25 = black, 26 = black/white, 27 = green/red

Species - all species are listed in alphabetical order. The following list of higher taxa were only identified down to generic level or the family level in some cases: *Hypericum* sp., *Salix* sp., *Rosa* sp., *Agrostis* sp., *Umbelliferae* sp., and *Festuca* sp. No *Viola* sp. were seen in flower but all were classified as *Viola riviana*.

In records 1-153 *Betula pendula* was recorded when in the majority of cases it should have been *Betula pubescens* subsp. *carpatica*. Checking with Perring and Walters (1962) it is probable that only in relatively few records (relevées 124-142) that were collected from the southern part of the study area actually contained *Betula pendula*. As a result of all the records in these relevées have been converted to *Betula pendula*, although it would be best to read them as *Betula pubescens/pendula*.

The Domin 10-point scale has been used throughout with a "+" sign denoting species presence in the same community immediately surrounding the sample, but not in the quadrat.

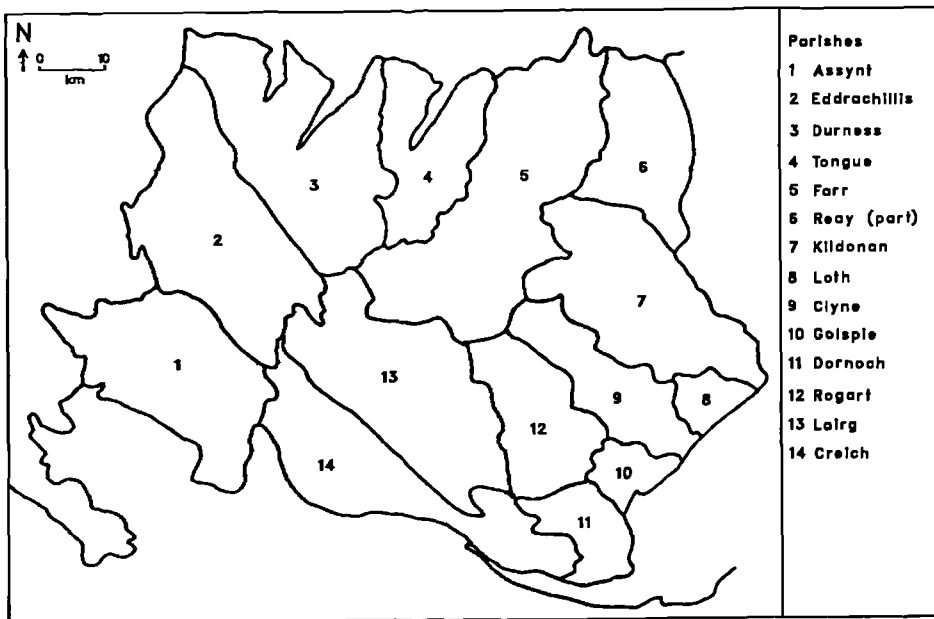
For convenience several noda have been placed in some tables with a blank row separating one noda from the next. The remaining noda are placed in a single table.

APPENDIX 2

Ordnance Survey grid references of "pine" Gaelic place names. From a list compiled from a Nature Conservancy Council (1987) - internal report by Mrs M. Eagleson.

- NH 717930 - Loch a' Ghiubhais - (Loch of the pine)
- NH 693963 - Lon Ghiubhais - (Pine pond/marsh)
- NH 483894 - Lon Giuthas nan Leac - (Pond/marsh of the pine grave/tombstone)
- NH 418983 - Allt a' Ghiubhais - (Stream of the pine)
- NC 657065 - Loch a' Ghiubhais - (Loch of the pine)
- NC 698012 - Lochan a' Ghiubhais - (Little loch of the pine)
- NC 222091 - Blar a' Ghiubhais - (Pine moor)
- NC 380001 - Linne a' Ghiubhais - (Pool or stream of the pine)
- NC 350192 - Allt a' Chnaip Ghiubhais - (Stream of the clump pine trees)
- NC 556237 - Loch a' Ghiubhais - (Loch of the pine)
- NC 548238 - Cnoc a' Ghiubhais - (Hill of the pine)
- NC 267703 - Cnoc a' Ghiubhais- (Hill of the pine)

Map showing the location of the 1745 parishes of Sutherland. Obtained from a Nature Conservancy Council (1987) - internal report by Mrs M. Eagleson.



APPENDIX 3

The records of sub-fossil *Pinus sylvestris*, for the counties of Sutherland and Caithness, found in the old (1791) and new (1845) statistical accounts. From Andersen (1967), Appendix D, pp. 637-638.

The records found in Andersen are categorised according to County, parish and which statistical account they are derived from.

O refers to a record found in the old statistical account (Sinclair, 1791)

N refers to a record found in the new statistical account (Anon, 1845).

* denotes those parishes which record *Pinus sylvestris* macro-fossil presence

The County of Sutherland

Parish

**Dornoch* (O) - A great quantity of *Moss Fir* is found underground. It serves as light for the poorest sort. This sort of timber is remarkably durable.

**Criech* (O) - In many mosses there are roots of old fir trees dug up ...Often the large fir trees quite fresh and sound, and of considerable length, have been dug up, when split they are useful for rafters in building houses and last very long.

**Durness* (N) - In low and sheltered situations, however, the mosses retain the roots of fir, birch, willow, etc., and decayed trunks of from thirty to fifty feet are occasionally dug from the mosses.

**Edderachillis* (N) - There are appearances of the whole country having been at some period covered with wood, in the remains of trees, principally fir, which have been found in the mosses.

**Kildonan* (N) - ...but the generally received belief is that the old trees died from natural decay when at maturity, their trunks being still dug out of the bogs in great numbers (the native fir).

**Farr* (N) - Where extensive forests of fir grew in this country, the remains of which are still found deeply embedded in the moss, and are raised by the parishioners for roofing their houses, and other domestic purposes.

The County of Caithness

Parish

Dunnet (N) - There are also about 3,000 acres of moss in the low ground...from two to sixteen feet...In these mosses, dwarf birch, hazel and saughs are found near the bottom in considerable quantities, which show they were formerly covered with brushwood.

***Watten (N)** - Of peat there is a considerable quantity, varying in depth from a few inches to sixteen or twenty feet, and always resting on a bed of clay. It contains, as usual, immense quantities of wood, oak, birch and pine: very large pine trunks are frequently found, being sometimes met with even at the depth of sixteen feet, with the bark and wood apparently quite entire, very light and highly inflammable. The bark is generally of a silvery-grey colour, and the wood dark brown.

Wick (O) - ...for in many moss grounds, large logs have been and are to this day, dug up.

Wick (N) - Between the links and the sand, and running down under the sea, there are found the remains of a submarine forest. These are like peat mosses, entirely composed of decayed wood. The barks of various kinds of trees are quite discernible; and even the seeds of the birch and ash are so well preserved, as to appear but lately from the tree. No large trunks are found; only small specimens of oak, ash, birch and plane-tree; but none of fir (Bay of Keiss).

APPENDIX 4

1 km Ordnance survey grid references for all the off-shore islands that have been searched for sub-fossil Pinus sylvestris. No Pinus sylvestris macro-fossils were found at any of these sites.

Eilean nan Ròn (Island Rhone) - NC 6664

Neave or Coomb Island - NC 6465, NC 6364, NC 6365

Eilean nan Gaill (Rabbit Islands) - NC 6063, NC 6163

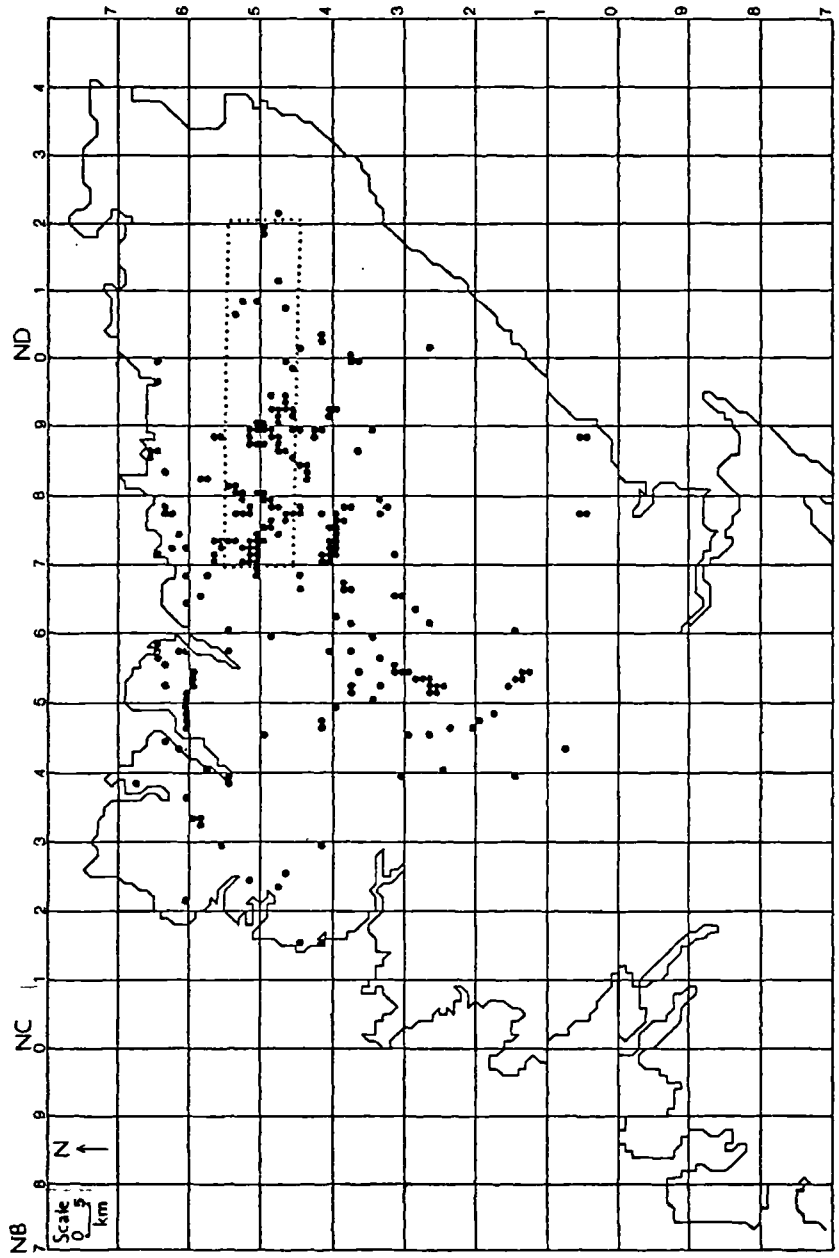
APPENDIX 5a.

Listing of all 1 km Ordnance survey grid references for
sub-fossil Pinus sylvestris macro-fossils.

NC	5314	7141	7851	ND
1541	5326	7150	7851	0037
3854	5326	7151	7863	0126
3867	5327	7156	7933	0144
1544	5328	7164	7948	0241
2160	5359	7239	7948	0341
2347	5359	7239	7949	0341
2451	5412	7240	7949	0653
2546	5413	7250	7952	0746
2941	5429	7251	8049	0850
2955	5430	7252	8050	0852
3258	5430	7255	8052	1147
3358	5430	7260	8053	1849
3359	5430	7262	8053	1949
3660	5431	7339	8153	2147
3854	5431	7339	8154	
3854	5436	7340	8257	
3867	5459	7349	8258	
3914	5531	7350	8363	
3930	5531	7351	8363	
3954	5563	7351	8636	
3954	5633	7353	8646	
4024	5737	7353	8665	
4057	5740	7354	8747	
4307	5740	7354	8749	
4309	5754	7354	8750	
4361	5761	7439	8751	
4463	5764	7439	8804	
4549	5934	7447	8842	
4641	6014	7447	8847	
4641	6054	7450	8848	
4660	6126	7461	8851	
4719	6137	7539	8855	
4741	6239	7540	8856	
4760	6328	7548	8934	
4817	6460	7549	8944	
4860	6460	7638	8948	
4860	6530	7639	8949	
4939	6531	7646	8949	
4960	6558	7648	8949	
5002	6637	7733	8950	
5034	6638	7739	8951	
5060	6638	7741	9049	
5125	6644	7744	9050	
5126	6738	7745	9147	
5160	6844	7746	9245	
5215	6850	7751	9246	
5224	6857	7752	9247	
5224	6860	7752	9248	
5225	6860	7753	9346	
5225	6950	7762	9446	
5226	6950	7763	9448	
5226	7040	7832	9664	
5233	7041	7833	9845	
5237	7050	7833	9936	
5237	7051	7837	9937	
5237	7056	7838	9946	
5259	7131	7844	9964	
5263	7139	7847		
5313	7140	7848		

APPENDIX 5b.

1 km map illustrating the distribution of all sub-fossil Pinus sylvestris records recorded by the author in northern Scotland.



APPENDIX 6

Description and use of the probe designed to locate sub-fossil Pinus sylvestris macro-fossils.

The probe was made from 1 cm diameter stainless steel and was 200 cm long. For ease of use the probe was divided into two sections, joined by means of a screw thread. At the lower end of the probe was another thread to which could be attached either a solid, pointed nail like head or a mini corer which was surrounded by a stainless steel cylinder. The first head was designed to probe the peat and to "feel" for woody material within the peat. It was relatively easy to differentiate between rock, peat, wood or gravel. The second head was used to retrieve pieces of subterranean fossil wood for species identification.

An experiment was carried out to assess the workability and efficiency of using the probe in routine surveying. A 16 x 16 m area was defined in an area where pine stumps were known to be extremely abundant. This area was subdivided into two areas: a 3 x 16 m area, which was probed at 0.5 m intervals; and a 13 x 16 m area which was probed at 1 m intervals. In total 144 soundings were made in 3 hours and 5 "hits" were recorded in an area where 15 pine stumps were visible on the surface. It should also be noted that sub-surface woody material could not always be recovered due to decomposition making the material too "soft" for the borer to work.

A chi-square test with a correction for continuity was calculated (Parker, 1979). The results were as follows:

	1 Metre survey	0.5 Metre survey
Total area surveyed	800,000 cm ²	48,0000cm ²
Total area of pine stumps	7060 cm ²	2120 cm ²
% of area covered by pine stumps	0.88%	0.44%
Number of probes	80	64
Number of "hits"	3	2
Expected "hits"	0.7	0.28
Number of "misses"	79.2	62.0
Expected "mlsses"	76.3	63.7
Chi-square statistic with correction for continuity	4.72	5.38
% Confidence with one degree freedom	95%	95%

The results of the Chi-square test show that pine stumps are located with the probe more frequently than would be expected. The reason for this deviation is that pine stump area was based on the mean diameter of the stump and did not take into account the extensive root systems which substantially increase the total area occupied by *Pinus sylvestris*. Despite the apparent statistical efficiency of using the probe to locate pine stumps, the time-resources expended in executing this exercise were considerable. It was therefore decided that this was an impractical method for routine survey of large geographical areas, but would be useful for surveying small (20 x 20 m) areas where time constraints were not important, and where a record of pine presence would be particularly interesting. As a result the probe was only used in surveying off-shore islands where no exposed stumps were visible (a list can be found in 4). No pine stumps were, however, located.

APPENDIX 7

List of the Ordnance survey grid references where Pinus sylvestris macro-fossils were found along with at least one other layer of tree macro-fossils.

Grid. Ref.	Total Number of Layers	Descending stratigraphic order of of macro-fossils
N 6844	2	<u>Pinus</u> /Betula
NC 719402	3	Betula /Betula / <u>Pinus</u>
NC 7948	2	<u>Pinus</u> /Betula
NC 8050	4	<u>Pinus</u> /Betula /Betula /Betula
NC 836637	2	Betula / <u>Pinus</u>
NC 8050	4	<u>Pinus</u> /Betula /Betula /Betula
NC 923465	2	<u>Pinus</u> /Betula
NC 925475	2	<u>Pinus</u> /Betula
NC 938460	2	<u>Pinus</u> /Betula
NC 975645	4	Betula / <u>Pinus</u> /Betula /Betula
NC 995466	3	<u>Pinus</u> /Betula /Betula
ND 054583	2	<u>Pinus</u> /Betula
ND 0653	3	Betula / <u>Pinus</u> /Salix

APPENDIX 8a

**Listing of the Ordnance survey grid references where Salix sp. macro-fossils were found.
T.K. denotes a 10 km grid reference provided by Dr. T Keatinge (personal communication)**

NC 6036

NC 6328

NC 9664

NC 6925

NC 6957

NC 7740

NC 9546

NC 9646

NC 9664

NC 9745

ND 0064

ND 0553

ND 0557

ND 0653

ND 15 (T.K.)

ND 1949

ND 2662

ND 2848

APPENDIX 8b

Listing of the Ordnance Survey grid references where sub-fossil Betula macro-fossils were the exclusive tree taxa. The number of layers of Betula sp. are also recorded ** denotes 2 layers, * 3 layers, **** 4 layers.**

NC 8363

NC 7161

NC 7164

NC 7255

NC 7361

NC 7740

NC 6844

NC 7057

NC 7161

NC 7164

NC 7262

NC 7354***

NC 7744

NC 8050

NC 9546

NC 9664

NC 9945

NC 9946

NC 9964

ND 0557

ND 0558

ND 0653

ND 0064****

ND 0852

ND 0858

ND 1131**

ND 2050

ND 2248

ND 2638

ND 2748

ND 2973

ND 3973

APPENDIX 9

The terms and equations used for each of the dendrochronological filters

Baillie and Pilcher (1973) 5-point filter

Baillie and Pilcher's (1973) t test is calculated on "transformed" raw ring widths. Each raw ring width is converted to a percentage of the mean of the five ring widths of which it is the centre value. The data is then normalised by taking \log_e of the percentage figures.

Fritt's (1976) 13-term low-pass filter

Weight number is expressed as values relative to the centre value to be summed:

Weight number Weight value

+6	-0.0003
+5	-0.0030
+4	-0.0161
+3	-0.0537
+2	-0.1208
+1	-0.1933
0	+0.7744
-1	-0.1933
-2	-0.1208
-3	-0.0537
-4	-0.0161
-5	-0.0030
-6	-0.0003

Fritt's (1976) 13-term high-pass filter

Weight number is expressed as values relative to the centre value to be summed:

Weight number Weight value

+6	0.0003
+5	0.0030
+4	0.0161
+3	0.0537
+2	0.1208
+1	0.1933
0	0.2256
-1	0.1933
-2	0.1208
-3	0.0537
-4	0.0161
-5	0.0030
-6	0.0003

Munrow's (1984) 23-term 8-year cut-off filtered log widths

The weights for the filter are expressed as values 1 to 11

Weight number Weight value

W ₀	0.250000
W ₁	0.220333
W ₂	0.146079
W ₃	0.061750
W ₄	0.000000
W ₅	-0.025742
W ₆	-0.023252
W ₇	-0.010089
W ₈	0.000000
W ₉	0.003025
W ₁₀	0.001888
W ₁₁	0.000409

Munrow's (1984) 23-term 9-year cut-off filtered log widths

The weights for the filter are expressed as values 1 to 11

Weight number Weight value

W ₀	0.222222
W ₁	0.200291
W ₂	0.143860
W ₃	0.075628
W ₄	0.019160
W ₅	-0.012451
W ₆	-0.020137
W ₇	-0.014051
W ₈	-0.005277
W ₉	0.000000
W ₁₀	0.001213
W ₁₁	0.000569

Munrow's (1984) 23-term 10-year cut-off filtered log widths

The weights for the filter are expressed as values 1 to 11

Weight number Weight value

W ₀	0.200000
W ₁	0.183152
W ₂	0.138929
W ₃	0.083054
W ₄	0.032927
W ₅	0.000000
W ₆	-0.013667
W ₇	-0.013569
W ₈	-0.007808
W ₉	-0.002515
W ₁₀	0.000000
W ₁₁	0.000340

BH's 5-point tricube-weighted filter

Weight number is expressed as values relative to the centre value to be summed:

Weight number	Weight value
-2	-0.1001
-1	-0.2564
0	0.713
+1	-0.2564
+2	-0.1001

BH's 9-point tricube-weighted filter

Weight number is expressed as values relative to the centre value to be summed:

Weight number	Weight value
-4	-0.02
-3	-0.0833
-2	-0.1417
-1	-0.1686
0	0.8272
+1	-0.1686
+2	-0.1417
+3	-0.0833
+4	-0.02

BH's 13-point tricube-weighted filter

Weight number is expressed as values relative to the centre value to be summed:

Weight number	Weight value
-6	-0.0063
-5	-0.0317
-4	-0.0664
-3	-0.0965
-2	-0.115
-1	-0.1224
0	0.8766
+1	-0.1224
+2	-0.115
+3	-0.0965
+4	-0.0664
+5	-0.0317
+6	-0.0063

