



Supplement of

Investigation of stochastic-threshold incision models across a climatic and morphological gradient

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Supplementary material

1 Cosmogenic nuclides

1.1 ^{10}Be concentration measurements

Measuring cosmogenic nuclides concentrations in river sands is now a standard approach in geomorphology allowing to determine the rates of denudation processes at the scale of landscapes [von Blanckenburg, 2005]. Bulk sand samples were sieved to extract the 250-1000 μm fraction, which was then submitted to magnetic separation. The remaining fraction was leached with 37% HCl to remove carbonate fragments. The samples were then repetitively leached with H_2SiF_6 and submitted to mechanical shaking until pure quartz was obtained. Removal of atmospheric ^{10}Be from grain surfaces was achieved by a series of three successive leachings in concentrated HF, each leaching removing 10% of the sample mass [Brown et al., 1991]. After addition of an in-house ^9Be carrier ($\sim 150 \mu\text{l}$ at $3.03 \times 10^{-3} \text{ g/g}$ [Merchel et al., 2008]), the samples were digested in concentrated HF and Be was isolated for measurements using ion-exchange chromatography. ^{10}Be measurements were performed by the ASTER Team at the French AMS National Facility, located at CEREGE in Aix-en-Provence. $^{10}\text{Be}/^9\text{Be}$ ratios were calibrated against the STD-11 standard by using an assigned value of $1.191 \pm 0.013 \times 10^{-11}$ [Braucher et al., 2015].

Uncertainties on ^{10}Be concentrations (reported as 1σ) are calculated according to the standard error propagation method using the quadratic sum of the relative errors and include 1σ uncertainties associated with sample preparation, chemical and analytical blank corrections, AMS standard and counting statistics [Arnold et al., 2010]. We processed 5 blanks along with our samples, with characteristics reported in table S2.

1.2 Denudation rates calculations

We computed steady-state denudation rates (table S1), with the online calculator described in Balco et al. [2008] and the nuclide specific LSD scaling scheme of Lifton et al. [2014], using the CRONUS-Earth calibration dataset [Borchers et al., 2016] for the calculation of spallation production rates and muon production rates according to Balco [2017]. We used 160 g/cm² for the effective neutron attenuation length in rock, and a global density of 2.65 g/cm³. No shielding correction was considered [DiBiase, 2018].

Table S1: Cosmogenic nuclides data :¹⁰Be results

| Sample | Latitude (°) | Longitude (°) | Mass ^a (g) | Be Carrier ^b 10Be/ ⁹ Be ^{c,d} (x10 ⁻¹⁴) | [¹⁰ Be] ^e (x10 ³ at/g) | [¹⁰ Be] ^f (mm/ka) | Integration time scale ^g (ka) |
|--------|-----------------|------------------|--------------------------|--|---|---|---|
| CDX-01 | 44.1571 | 4.0228 | 20.80 | 0.1489 | 4.15±0.28 | 60.11±3.99 | 75.39±9.05 |
| CDX-02 | 44.0371 | 3.8608 | 20.18 | 0.1567 | 3.85±0.28 | 60.38±4.40 | 81.76±10.12 |
| CDX-03 | 44.1701 | 3.8398 | 19.81 | 0.1516 | 3.73±0.29 | 57.63±4.54 | 87.34±11.12 |
| CDX-04 | 44.1599 | 3.8078 | 20.27 | 0.1515 | 3.30±0.32 | 49.87±4.79 | 104.30±14.47 |
| CDX-05 | 44.1268 | 3.7623 | 20.78 | 0.1517 | 3.21±0.29 | 47.42±4.23 | 114.11±15.29 |
| CDX-06 | 44.1259 | 3.7610 | 19.31 | 0.1527 | 3.56±0.38 | 56.93±6.11 | 90.13±13.22 |
| CDX-07 | 44.6702 | 4.1888 | 16.90 | 0.1528 | 4.10±0.31 | 74.87±5.62 | 91.18±11.40 |
| CDX-08 | 44.9011 | 3.5527 | 20.28 | 0.1530 | 15.97±0.85 | 243.47±12.93 | 32.95±3.73 |
| CDX-09 | 44.8228 | 3.6144 | 20.82 | 0.1518 | 23.45±1.08 | 345.53±15.96 | 24.34±2.68 |
| CDX-10 | 44.7662 | 3.6321 | 18.02 | 0.1522 | 18.16±0.89 | 310.15±15.18 | 27.20±3.03 |
| CDX-11 | 44.6491 | 3.8964 | 20.86 | 0.1526 | 13.24±0.76 | 195.85±11.23 | 39.23±4.53 |
| CDX-12 | 44.6479 | 3.9028 | 20.56 | 0.1529 | 12.28±0.70 | 184.67±10.56 | 41.80±4.82 |
| CDX-13 | 44.5107 | 3.4113 | 19.60 | 0.1515 | 10.46±0.42 | 163.46±6.51 | 40.10±4.32 |
| CDX-14 | 44.2809 | 3.6963 | 18.42 | 0.1532 | 3.08±0.21 | 51.73±3.59 | 126.15±15.36 |
| CDX-15 | 44.2444 | 3.9254 | 20.29 | 0.1476 | 2.97±0.29 | 43.72±4.21 | 117.30±16.28 |
| CDX-16 | 44.8133 | 4.5919 | 19.23 | 0.1558 | 4.95±0.33 | 80.99±5.39 | 66.69±8.01 |
| CDX-17 | 44.8253 | 4.4961 | 20.20 | 0.1548 | 5.49±0.38 | 84.98±5.86 | 73.62±8.94 |
| CDX-18 | 44.8769 | 4.5324 | 18.36 | 0.1551 | 6.64±0.36 | 113.45±6.09 | 51.20±5.81 |
| CDX-19 | 44.9006 | 4.4154 | 17.60 | 0.1550 | 3.65±0.32 | 65.03±5.71 | 95.49±12.70 |
| CDX-20 | 44.9821 | 4.5683 | 15.22 | 0.1552 | 6.34±0.33 | 130.62±6.87 | 41.36±4.67 |
| CDX-21 | 45.1184 | 4.2875 | 17.93 | 0.1552 | 10.05±0.72 | 175.96±12.53 | 38.94±4.78 |
| CDX-22 | 45.1401 | 4.2937 | 20.33 | 0.1551 | 14.01±0.78 | 216.11±11.97 | 31.40±3.59 |
| CDX-23 | 45.2098 | 4.3806 | 19.67 | 0.1547 | 12.06±0.89 | 191.79±14.09 | 37.08±4.60 |
| CDX-24 | 45.1622 | 4.7134 | 19.76 | 0.1548 | 10.66±0.50 | 168.73±7.84 | 32.49±3.58 |
| CDX-25 | 45.0736 | 4.6621 | 19.60 | 0.1544 | 9.79±0.53 | 155.77±8.40 | 35.21±4.00 |
| CDX-26 | 45.0598 | 4.4951 | 14.52 | 0.1553 | 6.61±0.68 | 143.00±14.62 | 46.26±6.62 |
| CDX-27 | 45.0591 | 4.4943 | 19.52 | 0.1556 | 6.86±0.34 | 110.44±5.46 | 58.99±6.58 |
| CDX-28 | 44.9697 | 3.4103 | 18.13 | 0.1543 | 16.26±0.90 | 279.70±15.46 | 29.08±3.32 |
| CDX-29 | 45.0810 | 3.3130 | 16.52 | 0.1466 | 12.04±1.10 | 215.88±19.67 | 33.53±4.54 |
| CDX-30 | 44.9735 | 3.2168 | 20.41 | 0.1550 | 10.81±0.40 | 165.88±6.13 | 37.19±3.97 |
| CDX-31 | 44.8773 | 2.9991 | 20.85 | 0.1540 | 10.57±0.89 | 157.78±13.21 | 42.40±5.53 |
| CDX-32 | 44.8249 | 3.1096 | 20.11 | 0.1547 | 13.31±1.07 | 207.03±16.71 | 35.80±4.60 |
| CDX-33 | 44.8256 | 3.3706 | 20.11 | 0.1546 | 15.62±0.83 | 242.69±12.95 | 31.35±3.55 |
| CDX-34 | 44.7086 | 3.3834 | 21.00 | 0.1539 | 12.95±1.02 | 191.74±15.10 | 41.87±5.33 |

^a Dissolved pure quartz mass. ^b Be in-house carrier mass, $\sim 150 \mu\text{L}$ at $3.03 \times 10^{-3} \text{ g/g}$ [Merchel et al., 2008]. ^c $^{10}\text{Be}/^{9}\text{Be}$ ratios were calibrated against the STD-11 standard by using an assigned value of $1.191 \pm 0.013 \times 10^{-11}$ [Braucher et al., 2015]. ^d See text for details on the uncertainties on AMS measurements. ^e Uncertainties are reported at the 1σ level. ^f See text for details on the calculation procedure for denudation rates. ^g Averaging timescales according to von Blanckenburg [2005].

Table S2: Cosmogenic nuclides data :Process blanks

| Sample | Be Carrier ^a (g) | ¹⁰ Be/ ⁹ Be ^b (x10 ⁻¹⁶) | +1 σ ¹⁰ Be atoms ^c (x10 ³) | Average ratio ^d | Min ratio ^e |
|---------|--------------------------------|---|--|----------------------------|------------------------|
| CDX-bl1 | 0.1565 | 8.02±1.85 | 31.21 | 40±4 | 34 |
| CDX-bl2 | 0.1517 | 18.85±3.96 | 69.95 | 58±32 | 14 |
| CDX-bl3 | 0.1575 | 10.10±2.18 | 41.89 | 58±28 | 30 |
| CDX-bl4 | 0.157 | 9.45±2.37 | 37.50 | 94±29 | 60 |
| CDX-bl5 | 0.1572 | 9.91±2.41 | 39.13 | 100±22 | 62 |

^a Be in-house carrier mass, ~150 μ l at 3.025×10^{-3} g/g [Merchel et al., 2008]. ^b ¹⁰Be/⁹Be ratios were calibrated against the STD-11 standard by using an assigned value of $1.191 \pm 0.013 \times 10^{-11}$ [Braucher et al., 2015].

^c Calculated with the upper 1σ bound on ¹⁰Be/⁹Be ratio. ^d For each blank : mean and standard deviation of the ratios between the number of ¹⁰Be atoms in the samples (processed with the blank) and the +1 σ bound on ¹⁰Be atoms in the blank. ^e For each blank : minimum value of ratios between the number of ¹⁰Be atoms in the samples (processed with the blank) and the +1 σ bound on ¹⁰Be atoms in the blank.

2 Hydrological and morphometric analysis

Here we report the supplementary figures and tables related to the hydrological and morphometric analysis.

Table S3: Basins parameters

| Basin ID | Regional setting ^a | Area ^b (km ²) | Mean elevation ^b (m) | Relief ^b (m) | Slope ^b (°) | Precipitation ^c (mm/a) | Runoff ^d (mm/a) | k ^h | Concavity ^e | k_{sn} m ^{0.9} J | Lithology ^k |
|----------|-------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| CDX-01 | RH-C | 73 | 478 | 763 | 20.18 | 1452 | 942 | 0.42 | 0.57 | 35 | Schist |
| CDX-02 | RH-C | 39 | 588 | 907 | 19.59 | 1516 | 1012 | 0.34 | 0.75 | 54 | Schist |
| CDX-03 | RH-C | 84 | 609 | 901 | 21.55 | 1529 | 1026 | 0.51 | 0.8 | 51 | Schist |
| CDX-04 | RH-C | 92 | 651 | 843 | 21.03 | 1441 | 930 | 0.53 | 0.87 | 66 | Schist |
| CDX-05 | RH-C | 66 | 705 | 886 | 24.05 | 1498 | 992 | 0.5 | 0.73 | 47 | Schist |
| CDX-06 | RH-C | 31 | 641 | 738 | 25.18 | 1505 | 1000 | 0.43 | 0.59 | 33 | Schist |
| CDX-07 | RH-A | 74 | 992 | 1105 | 24.3 | 1820 | 1342 | 0.65 | 0.65 | 97 | Orthogneiss |
| CDX-08 | LO | 44 | 1230 | 398 | 6.8 | 933 | 378 | 1.98 | 0.56 | 33 | Granite |
| CDX-09 | LO | 54 | 1297 | 373 | 6.78 | 886 | 327 | 1.78 | 0.81 | 29 | Granite |
| CDX-10 | LO | 47 | 1303 | 345 | 6.27 | 882 | 322 | 1.57 | 0.27 | 22 | Granite |
| CDX-11 | LO | 77 | 1175 | 528 | 13.31 | 1208 | 677 | 0.84 | 0.66 | 24 | Orthogneiss |
| CDX-12 | LO | 47 | 1179 | 518 | 14.1 | 1348 | 829 | 0.74 | 0.58 | 23 | Orthogneiss |
| CDX-13 | GR | 34 | 958 | 591 | 15.2 | 1030 | 483 | 1.51 | 0.77 | 57 | Paragneiss |
| CDX-14 | GR | 75 | 957 | 734 | 17.97 | 1470 | 962 | 0.64 | 0.59 | 33 | Schist |
| CDX-15 | RH-C | 85 | 634 | 1058 | 21.95 | 1590 | 1092 | 0.56 | 0.73 | 46 | Schist |
| CDX-16 | RH-A | 59 | 692 | 1115 | 20.77 | 1186 | 653 | 0.58 | 0.51 | 63 | Granite |
| CDX-17 | RH-A | 43 | 887 | 883 | 19.43 | 1311 | 789 | 0.6 | 0.51 | 65 | Granite |
| CDX-18 | RH-A | 43 | 789 | 880 | 19.5 | 1207 | 676 | 0.62 | 0.42 | 58 | Granite |
| CDX-19 | RH-A | 75 | 875 | 982 | 20.18 | 1343 | 823 | 0.68 | 0.52 | 59 | Granite |
| CDX-20 | RH-A | 37 | 694 | 808 | 16.51 | 1098 | 557 | 0.7 | 0.62 | 57 | Orthogneiss |
| CDX-21 | LO | 49 | 1013 | 380 | 7.26 | 1078 | 535 | 1.23 | 0.24 | 30 | Orthogneiss |
| CDX-22 | LO | 21 | 1000 | 339 | 5.5 | 1065 | 521 | 1.35 | 0.46 | 26 | Orthogneiss |
| CDX-23 | LO | 67 | 1060 | 592 | 11.44 | 1059 | 515 | 1.39 | 0.53 | 40 | Orthogneiss |
| CDX-24 | RH-A | 95 | 706 | 957 | 15.81 | 995 | 445 | 1.12 | 0.48 | 53 | Orthogneiss |
| CDX-25 | RH-A | 62 | 712 | 795 | 16.52 | 1040 | 494 | 0.93 | 0.47 | 49 | Orthogneiss |
| CDX-26 | RH-A | 74 | 959 | 771 | 17.5 | 1102 | 561 | 1.11 | 0.43 | 58 | Orthogneiss |
| CDX-27 | RH-A | 35 | 939 | 657 | 16.66 | 1151 | 615 | 1.02 | 0.61 | 71 | Orthogneiss |
| CDX-28 | LO | 31 | 1248 | 482 | 9.44 | 943 | 389 | 2.04 | 0.29 | 42 | Granite |
| CDX-29 | LO | 38 | 1085 | 533 | 9.01 | 855 | 293 | 1.87 | 0.28 | 39 | Granite |
| CDX-30 | GR | 3.65 | 876 | 209 | 6.47 | 805 | 239 | 1.86 | 0.13 | 29 | Orthogneiss |
| CDX-31 | GR | 53 | 983 | 625 | 9.8 | 1085 | 543 | 1.87 | 0.18 | 53 | Granite |
| CDX-32 | GR | 61 | 1124 | 358 | 6.39 | 1029 | 482 | 1.78 | 0.35 | 33 | Granite |
| CDX-33 | GR | 32 | 1154 | 573 | 7.92 | 949 | 395 | 1.95 | 0.46 | 59 | Granite |
| CDX-34 | GR | 509 | 1231 | 7.62 | 911 | | 354 | 1.76 | 0.41 | 45 | Granite |

^a Studied areas, RH-C: Rhône-Cévennes, RH-A: Rhône-Ardèche, LO: Loire upper catchment and GR: Garonne upper catchment. ^b Calculated from 25 m resolution Digital Elevation Model (IGN BD ALTI). ^c Calculated from 250 m precipitation raster [Joly et al., 2010]. ^d Catchment discharge variability calculated from thin plane surface fit to the stations estimates (figure 2). ^e Catchment main trunk concavity calculated from 25 m DEM [Perron and Royden, 2012]. ^f Normalized channel steepness index computed using $\theta_{ref}=0.45$. ^g Catchment lithology from $1/10^6$ geological map of France (BRGM : Bureau de Recherche Géologique et Minières).

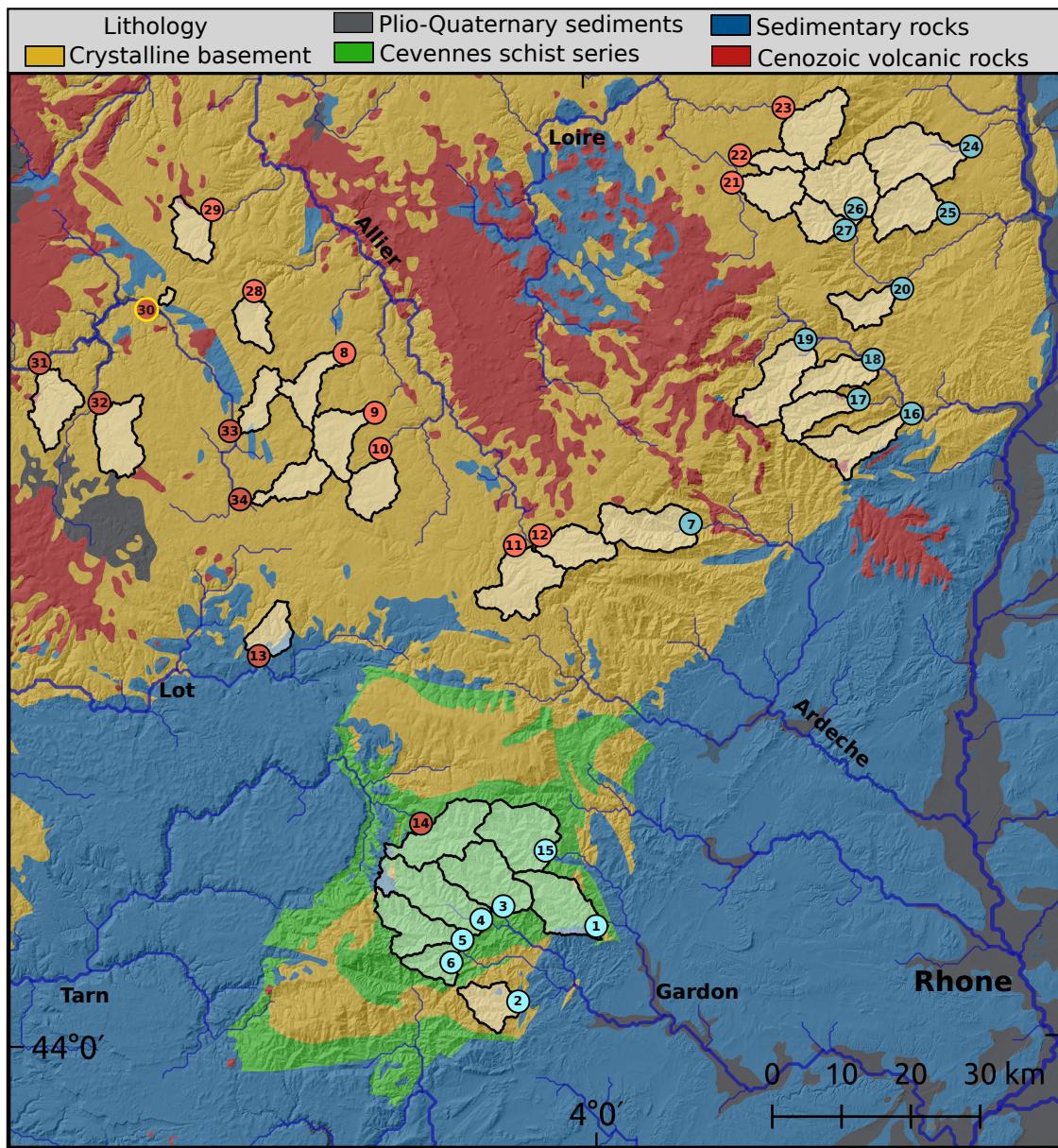


Figure S1: Lithological map of the Southeastern margin of the Massif Central (France), with location of sampled basins. Numbers refer to sample labels.

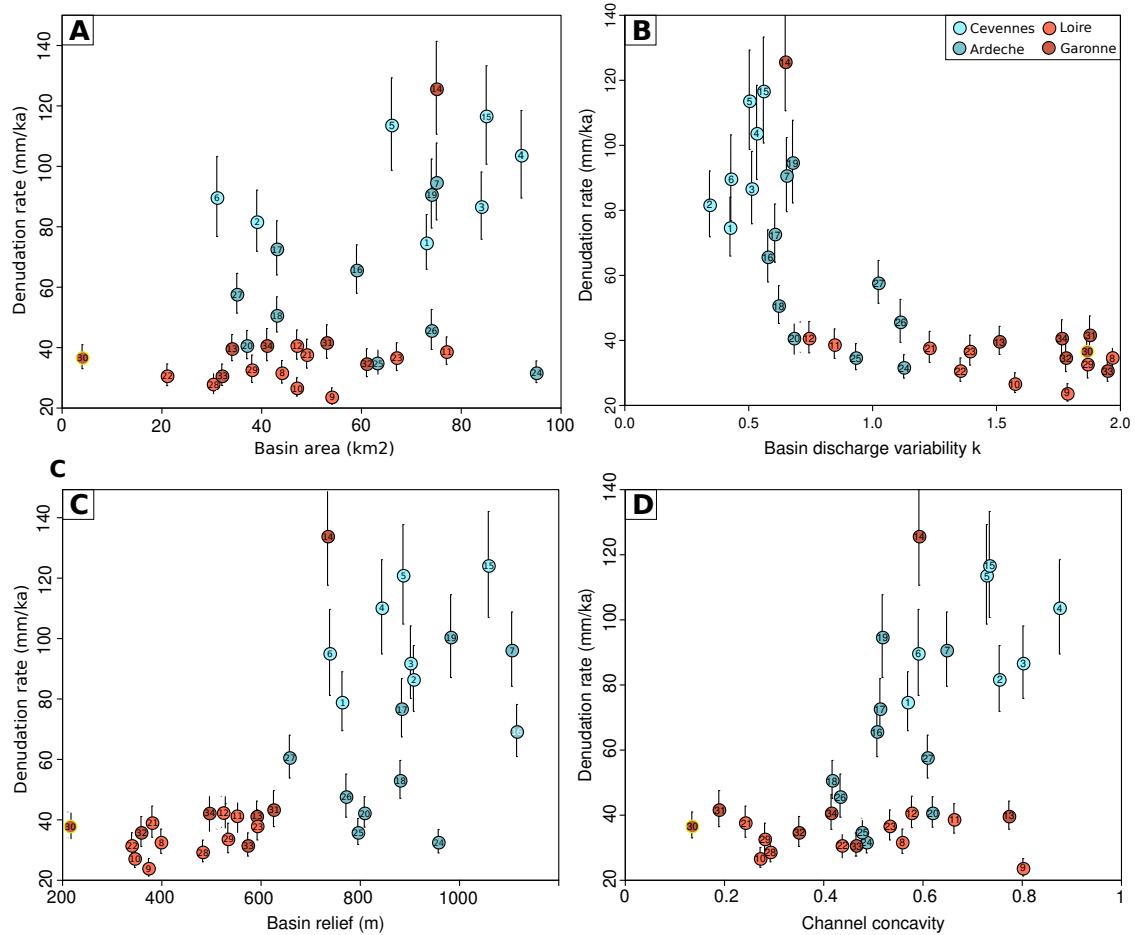


Figure S2: Comparison between denudation rates and various basin parameters (table S3). Symbols are colored according to the location of the catchments (Fig. 1 and table S3). A - Denudation rate against basin area. B - Denudation rate against basin discharge variability. C - Denudation rate against basin relief. D - Denudation rate against channel concavity.

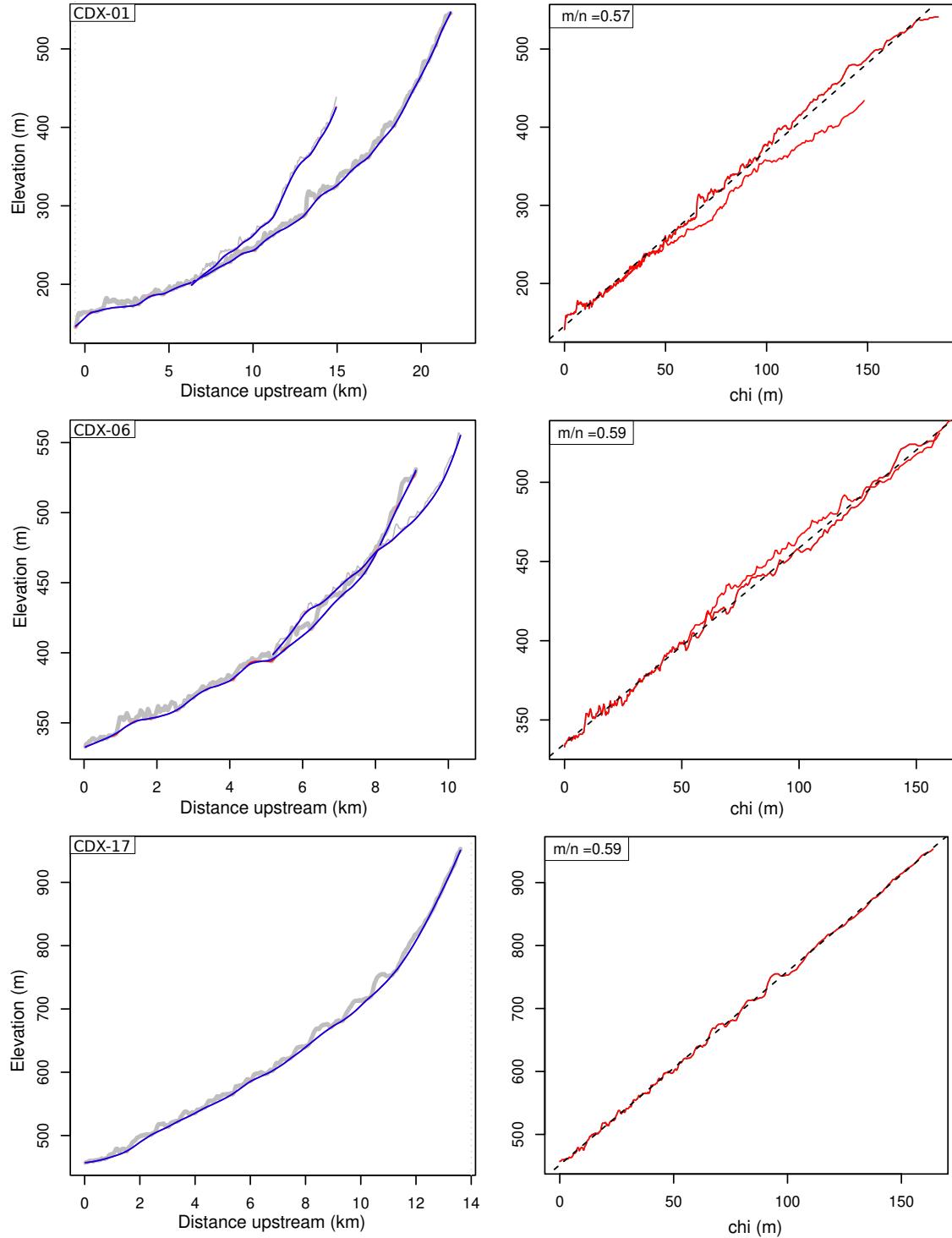


Figure S3: Left panels : longitudinal river profiles for some of the sampled basins in the Cévennes and Ardèche mountains. Grey and blue lines correspond to river profile extracted from IGN BD-ALTI DEM and smoothed river profile with artifacts removed, respectively. Right panels : corresponding Chi-plots for trunk stream optimal concavity determination [Perron and Royden, 2012].

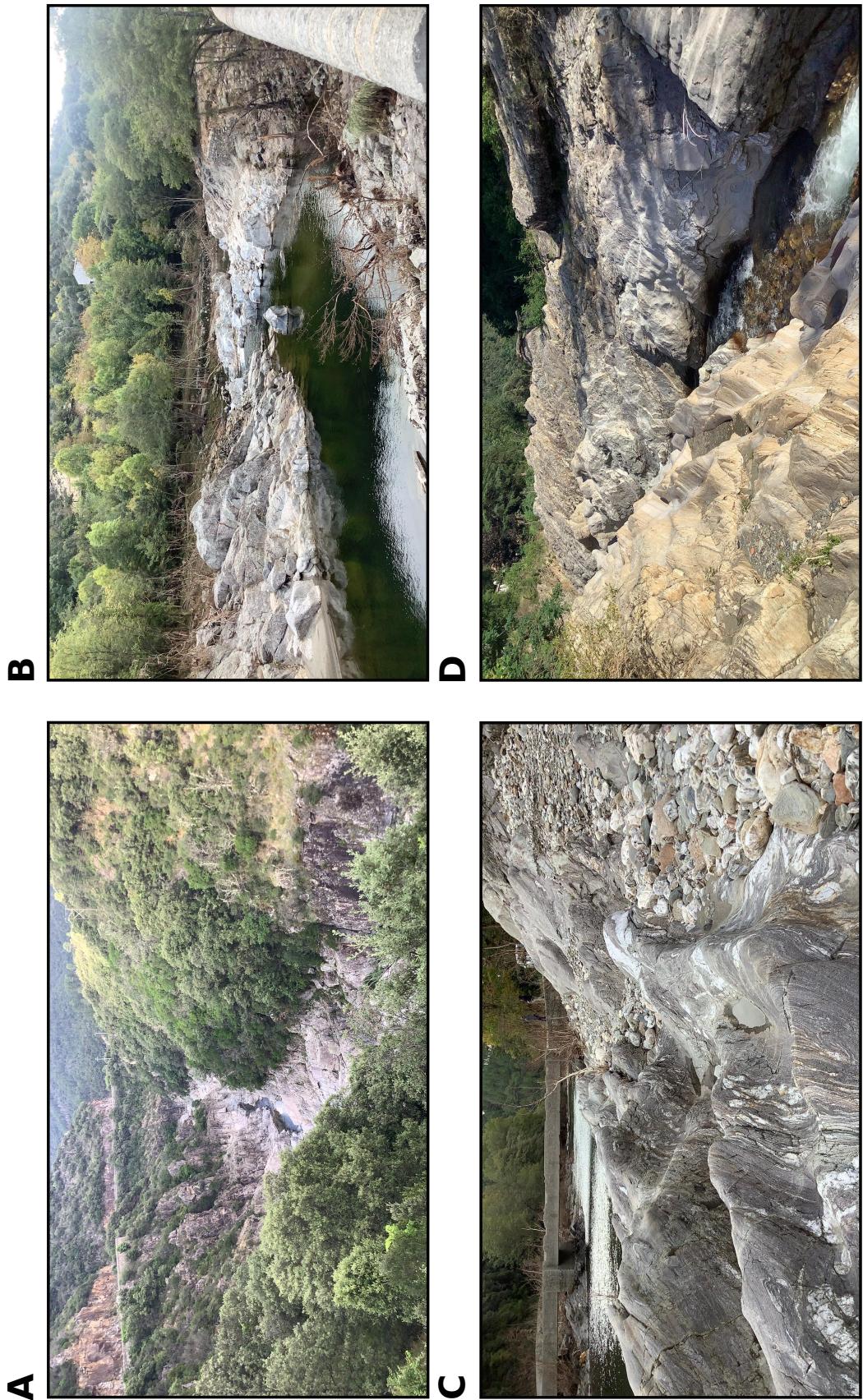


Figure S4: Fields photographs from the Cévennes area. A - Canyon incised into granitic bedrock along the "Gardon de Saint Jean". B - "Gardon de Mialet" river. C - Abrasion figures along the "Gardon de Mialet" river (schist bedrock). D - Incised micashists series along the "Gardon de Saint Jean" river.

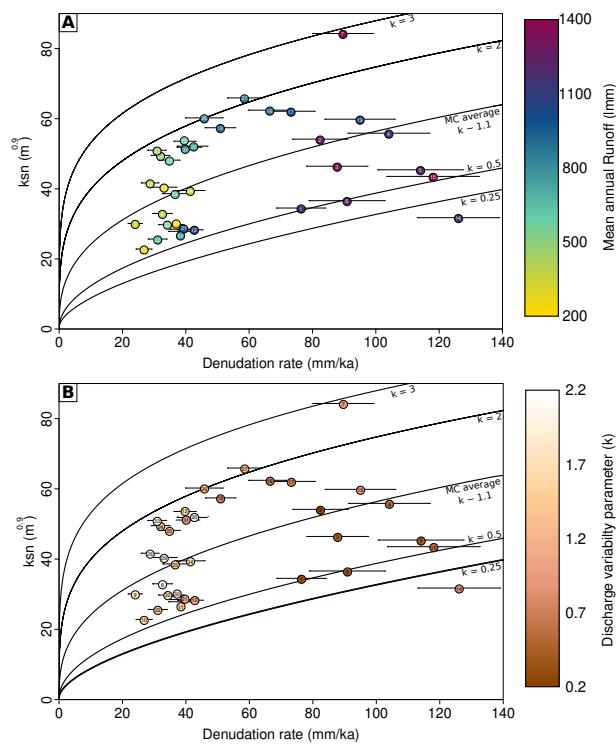


Figure S5: Comparison between normalized channel steepness index and denudation rates. (A) Symbols are colored according to mean annual basins runoff calculated from linear relationship between MAP and \bar{R} (Fig. 4). (B) Symbols are colored according to basins discharge variability value calculated from thin plate spline surface (Fig. 1B).

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