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Summary

Two bulk sediment samples, six diatom samples, 16 pollen samples, a 50 cm monolith for particle size analysis, and five samples for investigation for the eggs of intestinal parasitic nematodes, recovered from the excavation of a late Roman cemetery at land to the rear of 1 America Street, London Borough of Southwark, were submitted to PRS for an assessment of their interpretative potential.

Biological remains were sparse and generally poorly preserved in the examined samples. Pollen survival was particularly poor and no meaningful ecological or archaeological information could be determined. Where present, the diatoms represented tidal mudflats and showed little evidence for any change in this depositional regime. Small fragments of very decayed wood recovered from Context 552 were almost certainly the remains of the base of the coffin associated with skeleton 494 and were identified as oak (Quercus). The only significant invertebrate remains (also from Context 552) were those of the burrowing beetle Anommatus duodecimstriatus which were probably intrusive to the deposit. No eggs of intestinal parasitic nematodes were seen in the samples.

Particle size analysis showed that the sediment consisted of silty/clayey sand with a slight but sustained increase in the percentage of silt/clay up the sequence. The results indicated that the sediment was fluvially deposited under moderate to low energy conditions. The gradual nature of the increase in the finer sediment fraction suggests this was a fairly steady process, perhaps, for example, as a result of channel migration away from the site.

No further work on the current material is recommended and all of the remaining samples may be discarded unless they are to be processed for purposes other than those considered in this assessment.

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Introduction

An archaeological excavation was carried out by AOC Archaeology Group on land to the rear of 1 America Street, London Borough of Southwark, between October 2001 and March 2002. The site was centred on NGR: TQ 3220 8010 and bounded by America Street to the south, Keppel Row to the north and Great Guildford Street to the west

Two bulk sediment samples ('GBA'/'BS' sensu Dobney et al. 1992) for plant and invertebrate macrofossils, six subsamples from two 50 cm monolith columns for diatoms, 16 pollen samples (14, including 4 control samples, from grave fills, and 2 from fills of vessels), a 50 cm monolith for particle size analysis, and five samples for investigation for the eggs of intestinal parasitic nematodes (each taken from the stomach area of individual skeletons), were submitted to PRS for assessment.

All of the submitted material was from deposits associated with a late Roman cemetery, overlying (at 80-100 cm) a prehistoric sand eyot and truncated by a 19th century basement.

Methods

Bulk sediment samples

The two submitted bulk sediment samples were inspected in the laboratory and their lithologies were recorded, using a standard *pro forma*. One of the samples was selected for processing, following the procedures of Kenward *et al.* (1980; 1986), for recovery of plant and invertebrate macrofossils.

The flot and washover resulting from processing were examined for plant and

invertebrate macrofossils. The residue was scanned for larger plant macrofossils and other biological and artefactual remains.

Pollen

Following an initial visual assessment of the samples sent for palynological analyses it was determined that, as these consisted of predominantly inorganic sands, it was unlikely that countable or well-preserved concentrations of pollen would be present in these sediments. Two samples—Sample 61 (Context 467) and Sample 23 (Context 400)—were selected for analysis to investigate this supposition. This required the processing of relatively large (5 cm³) samples to extract sufficient organic residue.

Samples were prepared using standard techniques including KOH digestion, HF treatment and acetylation (Moore *et al.* 1991). The samples were mounted in silicon oil and counted at a magnification of x400. Identifications were made using standard keys and a reference collection.

Diatoms

Diatom preparations followed standard preparation techniques (Round *et al.* 1990). Information regarding the environmental tolerance and ecological requirements of diatoms are based on Denys (1991, 1992), de Wolf (1982, 1993) and Van Damm *et al.* (1994).

Each slide was scanned thoroughly for the presence/absence of diatoms. Where present, diatoms have been identified to genus or species level if possible. Although quantitative analysis has not been undertaken, estimates of

relative abundance have been made to indicate the dominant species, if any.

Parasites

The samples were examined for the eggs of intestinal parasitic nematodes using the 'squash' technique of Dainton (1992).

Although primarily for the detection of intestinal parasitic nematode eggs the 'squash' technique routinely reveals other microfossil remains, and where present (or markedly absent) these have also been noted.

Particle size analysis

Monolith sequence 073 (grid square 300/610) was sampled for particle size analysis (psa). Due to the fine particle size of the sediment, it was determined that psa was best performed utilising a laser particle sizer in the Institute for Estuarine and Coastal Studies at the University of Hull. Fifteen subsamples were extracted at regular intervals from the monolith.

Particle size analysis was performed on a MasterSizer 2000 optical unit, using a Hydro2000MU accessory unit for sample mixing. The mixing process used was the tumbler method. Each sample was placed into a clean glass jar with a secure lid, and the jar rotated about its circumference for 30 full revolutions. The jar was thoroughly cleaned between each sample. The less than 1 mm fraction was retained (no larger fraction was present) and added to the dispersant (water) in the Hydro2000 MU unit, until an obscuration factor close to 15% was reached. The obscuration helps the operator to set the concentration of the sample when it is added to the dispersant and is a measure of the amount of laser light lost due to the introduction of the sample within the MasterSizer 2000 analyser beam. MasterSizer uses the optical unit to capture the actual scattering pattern from the field of particles and then calculates the size of the particles that creates this pattern. The output is in the form of a percentage distribution of particle size.

Results

Archaeological information, provided by the excavator, is given in square brackets.

Bulk sediment samples

The results are presented in context number order. A brief summary of the processing method and an estimate of the remaining volume of unprocessed sediment follows (in round brackets) after the sample numbers.

Context 552 [base of coffin associated with skeleton 494]

Sample 88/T (5 kg sieved to 300 microns with paraffin flotation and washover; approximately 7 litres of unprocessed sediment remains)

Moist, very dark grey-brown (internally mid grey), crumbly to unconsolidated (working soft), slightly humic (?from rotted coffin wood), slightly clay silty sand. A few small (to 10 mm) fragments of decayed wood were also present.

This sample yielded a large residue of about 800 cm³ of quartz sand with a little rounded flint gravel (to 35 mm) and traces of brick/tile (to 35 mm), glass (15 mm), and pottery and bone (both to 30 mm).

The washover of about 40 cm³ consisted of rather small (<15 mm) granular, rounded and rather decayed wood fragments (the largest of which were identified by sectioning as oak, Quercus), and a little charcoal (to 5 mm). There were a few insect fragments which had not been extracted by paraffin flotation and these were added to the flot, which itself consisted largely of small (to 3.1 mm) rounded sac-like structures which were probably fungal perithecia or sclerotia (but which were not the very characteristic sclerotia of the soil fungus, Cenococcum, widely recorded archaeological sediments). There were modest numbers of insect remains, almost all of which were from the beetle Anommatus duodecimstriatus (Müller). This species is a blind burrower whose natural association is probably with decaying wood underground. There are modern records from mouldering wood in damp places, and it has occasionally been noted in archaeological deposits, including graves. It may have burrowed down to the decaying coffin timbers at any time since burial but most probably from the 19th century basement, since it has been found in cellars. The only other insect remains were fragments of a staphylinid (either *Quedius* or *Philonthus* species), a very decayed fly larva or puparium, and the apex of a moth pupa.

Context 592 [decayed coffin wood associated with skeleton 591] Sample 100

Moist, light to mid yellow-brown to mid grey-brown (mottled on mm- and cm-scales), crumbly (working more or less soft), slightly clay silty sand. Humic patches, presumably of very rotted coffin wood, were present but no pieces of wood were seen. A few modern contaminant arthropods were noted.

No further investigation of this sample was undertaken.

Pollen

The results are presented in context number order.

Context 400 [associated with skeleton 401] Sample 23

The examined subsample was barren of remains.

Context 467 [associated with skeleton 468] Sample 61

Very low concentrations of poorly preserved palynomorphs were present, including ?Lactuceae, *Polypodium*, *Filipendula*, and Chenopodiaceae.

Diatoms

The two monolith samples together represented a 95 cm sequence through the deposits. The results are presented in sequence order, lowest first, with the height above the base level given in round brackets.

Monolith sample 31

Context 397 (4-5 cm): Barren

Context 421 (13-14 cm): Barren

Context 420 (23-24 cm): Diatoms were very sparse and poorly preserved. Some unidentifiable broken diatoms were present together with a few fragments of *Cyclotella striata* (Kütz.) Grun. in Cleve and Grun. (brackish plankton). *Monolith sample 32*

Context 419 (39-40 cm): Diatoms were rather abundant though mostly present as broken fragments. The dominant species was *C. striata* (brackish plankton) and *Gyrosigma acuminatum* (Kutz.) Rabenh., Other species present were *Paralia sulcata* (Ehrenb.) Cleve, *Opephora pacifica* (Grun.) Petit (both marine planktonic types); *Nitzschia navicularis* (Breb. ex Kütz.) Grun. in Cleve and Grun., *Diploneis smithii* (Breb. ex W. Sm.) Cleve, *Diploneis didyma* (Ehrenb.) Cleve (brackish epipelic); and *Fragilaria* sp. (freshwater plankton).

Context 418 (65-66 cm): Diatoms were rather sparse and their preservation poor. Only two species were present—*C. striata* (brackish plankton) and *N. navicularis* (brackish epipelic).

Context 417 (86-87 cm): Diatoms were, again, sparse and their preservation poor. Species identified were *C. striata* (brackish plankton); *P. sulcata*, *Actinoptychus senarius* (Ehrenb.) Ehrenb., *Thalassiosira eccentrica* (Ehrenb.) Cleve, and *O. pacifica* (all marine plankton).

Parasites

No eggs of intestinal parasitic nematodes were recorded from the five examined samples. Four of the 'squash' samples (from Contexts 382, 424, 433, and 455) were entirely inorganic, with the fifth (Context 467, Sample 62) also containing traces of organic detritus but no recognisable microfossils.

Particle size analysis

The samples were taken from the base of the monolith upwards—hence the sample at 50 cm corresponds to the top of the sequence.

The analyses reports for each sample (see Appendix) present a table showing % volume of each size class of sediment and graphs showing the particle size distribution and cumulative frequency along a logarithmic scale (in microns). In addition, summary statistics/parameters of particle size distribution are also given. These include non-inclusive measurements of kurtosis, skewness, standard deviation (sorting) and mean/median grain size calculated from the entire particle size distribution and inclusive statistic measurements of these parameters based on grain size at symmetrically distributed percentiles. It should be noted that the inclusive statistic values are different to the normal (non-inclusive) values of these parameters based upon the whole curve. It is considered that the inclusive values be used for interpretation rather than those calculated on the basis of the whole curve as the inclusive values are more robust, being less prone to

bias due to small amounts of material at the extremes of the sediment distribution.

Text descriptions of the degree of sorting, skewness and kurtosis and also the mean/median grain size are given for each sample, alongside the parameters and a broad breakdown of the sediment in terms of silt, sand and gravel content are given. If there is a requirement for a more in depth description of the sediment (e.g. very coarse, coarse, medium, fine etc.) these can be described according to the Wentworth Scale (see Table 1 in Appendix). The appended table shows grain size classes for sediments upon which the particle size analyses in this report are based.

Notes regarding the particle size analysis results

Size Units

1 mm sediment diameter = $1000\mu m$ (microns) phi (Φ) = $-\log_2 S$, where S is the particle size in mm.

Skewness

Skewness describes a form of measurement of the symmetry of particle size distribution across the sample. A high positive skew (>+ 0.30) describes a sample with a tail of fine sediment, a high negative skew (<-0.30) describes a sample with a tail of coarse sediment. Samples ranging from 0.10 to -0.10 are near symmetrical.

Sorting

The sorting coefficient is a way of describing the spread of particles across the sample. The range varies as follows: less than 0.35—very well sorted; through 0.71-1.00—moderately sorted; to greater than 2.00—very poorly sorted.

Discussion and statement of potential

Bulk sediment samples

Small fragments of very decayed wood recovered from Context 552 were almost certainly the remains of the base of the coffin associated with skeleton 494 and were identified as oak (*Quercus*). The only significant invertebrate remains were those of the burrowing beetle *Anommatus duodecimstriatus* which were probably intrusive to the deposit.

These remains were of no interpretative value beyond the identification of the coffin timber. If these samples can be taken as typical of those recovered from the site then any further study of plant and invertebrate remains from other deposits is likely to be similarly unrewarding.

Pollen

No palynological information could be obtained from Sample 23 (Context 400). Very low concentrations of poorly preserved pollen were identified in Sample 61 (Context 467). The taxa present included ?Lactuceae (dandelions, etc.), *Polypodium* (common polypody), *Filipendula* (meadowsweet) and Chenopodiaceae (fat hen family). The poor preservation of these thick walled, usually robust palynomorphs suggests that differential preservation has affected the sample. This is not surprising given the sedimentary context—the grains in this sample may very well be of secondary derivation.

In the light of these considerations, no meaningful ecological or archaeological (e.g. regarding the inclusion of floral grave goods) information could be derived from the analyses and the investigation of further samples was not considered worthwhile.

Diatoms

The absence of diatoms in samples from Context 397 (4-5 cm) and Context 421 (13-14 cm) was unsurprising given the sampled context of cemetery soils. However, sufficient species were present in other samples to enable some comments to be made regarding the palaeoenvironmental and depositional context in the period following cemetery inundation.

Only a few taxa were present in Context 420 (23-24 cm), all of which are associated with marine or brackish conditions. The occurrence of these brackish mud dwelling species

suggests deposition within a mudflat of an estuarine margin. This context is indicated as being an uppermost cemetery soil—it is possible that the occurrence of diatoms thus represents an initial stage of inundation of the site.

The dominant species from Context 419 (Cyclotella striata (brackish plankton) and Gyrosigma acuminatum) are both common in estuarine and tidal river waters (e.g. inner Humber and Thames). The freshwater fluvial species are tolerant of saline conditions and are also found in marginal tidal waters. The in situ assemblage is most likely to be comprised of the benthic mud dwelling (epipelic) species. As such, the depositional environment represented is probably a tidal mudflat with the mixture of marine/brackish and freshwater planktonic types washed onto the flats by frequent tidal inundation.

Diatoms were sparse in the sample from Context 418 and the assemblage was not diverse. A preservational bias is likely, as the dominant species are relatively robust centric diatoms, which are more resistant to dissolution and breakage than other species. It is probable that the depositional environment is still tidal mudflat even though marine and brackish plankton dominate the assemblage—the *in situ* benthic population (e.g. *N. navicularis*) is not well preserved.

The diatoms from Context 417 were, again, a mixture of marine/brackish plankton and benthic mud dwelling species. This was interpreted as a mudflat environment subject to frequent tidal inundation.

In conclusion, it would appear from the diatoms that the upper deposits of the sequence (Contexts 417-419) represent tidal mudflats, with little evidence for any change in this depositional regime.

Parasites

No eggs of intestinal parasitic nematodes were seen in the samples and it is considered highly unlikely that any other unexamined samples from similar deposits would contain these remains.

Particle size analysis

The general sequence showed that the sediment consisted of silty/clayey sand. There was a slight but sustained increase in the percentage of silt/clay up the sequence, from 22% at the base to 34% silts/clays in the uppermost sample. Other than in the two uppermost samples (46.4 cm and 50 cm), the percentage of sand did not fall below 70%. Inclusive mean grain size indicated fine sands between 0 cm and 28.6 cm from the base of the sequence with very fine sands from 28.6 cm to 50 cm. Sorting was very poor for all samples.

The results indicated that the sediment was fluvially deposited under moderate to low energy conditions. The 'fining up', or increase in the finer fraction of fine sands, silts and clays relative to coarser sands, reflects a reduction in the energy of the fluvial regime responsible for the deposition of the sediment from the base to the top of the sequence. The gradual nature of this increase suggests that this was a fairly steady process, perhaps, for example, as a result of channel migration away from the site. Without additional stratigraphic information, it is not possible to comment further on this.

Recommendations

No further work on the plant and invertebrate remains from the samples considered here is recommended.

No further investigation of samples for pollen is warranted.

The absence of diatoms below approximately 20 cm (from the base of the examined sequence) indicates that the potential of the lowermost sediments from the grave fill or cemetery soils to reveal any

palaeoenvironmental or palaeohydrological information from diatom analysis is zero. The presence of diatoms in all the other samples does, at least, enable some inferences concerning the environment under which the uppermost contexts were deposited. However, due to the generally poor preservation of the diatoms, and the problems of possible differential dissolution bias, interpretations remain somewhat tentative. A more detailed study of the diatoms within this sedimentary sequence is unlikely to provide any more specific data in addition to those results already obtained. In view of the above comments, it is not recommended that further palaeoenvironmental analyses be carried out on these samples.

No further investigation of samples for the eggs of intestinal parasitic nematodes is recommended.

Further study of the particle size analysis results, in conjunction with additional details relating the sequence to the stratigraphy of the site as a whole, is unlikely to add significantly to the information presented here.

Retention and disposal

All of the remaining unprocessed samples may be discarded unless they are to be processed for purposes other than those considered in this assessment.

Archive

All material is currently stored by Palaeoecology Research Services (Unit 8, Dabble Duck Industrial Estate, Shildon, County Durham), along with paper and electronic records pertaining to the work described here.

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Appendix
Particle Size Analysis data sheets and Table 1 showing the Wentworth scale of particle sizes



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Result Analysis Report

Sample Name: Arch/core/0cm depth

Sample Bulk Lot Ref: 0cm depth

Measured: 07/02/02 10:29:22

13.94 %

Measured by: OLLY

Analysed: 07/02/02 10:29:23

Weighted Residual: 0.664

SOP Name: soil

Percentile Grain Size: D[v,0.06] = 3.25um = 8.27phi D[v,0.16] = 32.31um = 4.95phi D[v,0.5] = 243.66um = 2.04phi

D[v,0.84] = 479.93um = 1.06phi D[v,0.96] = 643.86um = .64phi

Non Inclusive Parameters:

Kurtosis = -0.36

Skewness = .59

Obscuration:

Standard Deviation = 205.39 um = 2.28phi

Volume Weighted Mean: D[4,3] = 263.69um = 1.92phi

Inclusive Standard Deviation = 2.13 phi (Very Poorly Sorted)

Inclusive Skewness = -0.57 (Strongly Coarse Skewed)

Inclusive Kurtosis = 1.31 phi (Leptokurtic)

Inclusive Mean Grain Size = 2.68 phi (Fine Sand) Median Grain Size (D[v,0.5]) = 2.04 phi (Fine Sand) Gravel Content = 0 % Sand Content = 77.69 %

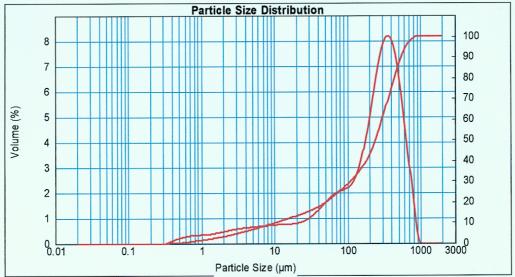
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Size (µm)	Volume In %
0.010	0.26
0.490	1.30
0.980	1.71
1.950	2.45
3.900	

Size (µm)	Volume In %
3.900	2.96
7.800	3.31
15.600	
31.300	3.81
62.500	6.52

Size (µm)	Volume In %
62.500	9.66
125.000	19.13
250.000	
500.000	34.77
1000.000	14.14

Size (µm)	Volume In %
1000.000	0.00
2000.000	0.00
8000.000	
10000.000	0.00



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Result Analysis Report

Sample Name: Arch/core/3.57cm depth

Measured: 07/02/02 10:38:10

Obscuration: 15.81

Measured by:

OLLY

D[v,0.84] = 480.46um = 1.06phi

D[v,0.95] = 659.51um = .6phi

Weighted Residual:

0.531

Sample Bulk Lot Ref: 3.57cm depth

Analysed: 07/02/02 10:38:11

SOP Name:

Percentile Grain Size:

D[v,0.05] = 3.78um = 8.05phi

D[v,0.16] = 36.72um = 4.77phi D[v,0.6] = 235.84um = 2.08phi

Non Inclusive Parameters: Kurtosis = -0.17

Skewness = .7

Standard Deviation = 208.6 um = 2.26phi

Volume Weighted Mean:

D[4,3] = 263.04um = 1.93phi

Inclusive Standard Deviation = 2.06 phi (Very Poorly Sorted)

Inclusive Skewness = -0.52 (Strongly Coarse Skewed)

Inclusive Kurtosis = 1.3 phi (Leptokurtic)

Inclusive Mean Grain Size = 2.64 phi (Fine Sand)

Median Grain Size (D[v,0.5]) = 2.08 phi (Fine Sand)

Gravel Content = 0 %

Sand Content = 78.19 %

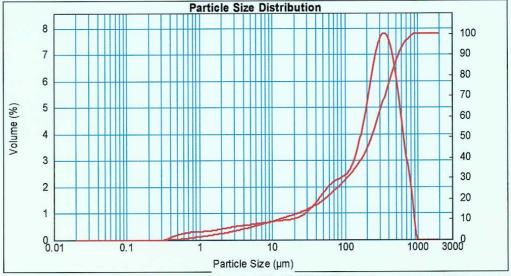
Silt/Clay Content = 21.81 %

Size (µm)	Volume In %
0.010	0.23
0.490	1.19
0.980	
1.950	1.55
3.900	2.14

Size (µm)	Volume In %
3.900	2.66
7.800	3.16
15.600	3.86
31.300	7.03
62.500	7.03

Size (µm)	Volume In %
62.500	10.66
125.000	19.97
250.000	33.26
500.000	14.30
1000.000	14.50

Size (µm)	Volume In %
1000.000	0.00
2000.000	0.00
8000.000	0.00
10000.000	0.00



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Result Analysis Report

Sample Name: Arch/core/7.1cm depth

Obscuration: 14.80

Measured by: OLLY Measured: 07/02/02 10:45:46 Weighted Residual: 0.585

SOP Name: soil Sample Bulk Lot Ref: 7.1cm depth Analysed: 07/02/02 10:45:47

Percentile Grain Size: D[v,0.05] = 3.98um = 7.97phi

D[v,0.16] = 40.11um = 4.64phi D[v,0.6] = 257.43um = 1.96phi

D[v,0.84] = 516.25um = .95phi Skewness = .73 Standard Deviation = 225.36 um = 2.15phi D[v,0.95] = 714.86um = .48phi

Non Inclusive Parameters: Volume Weighted Mean:

Kurtosis = -0.01 D[4,3] = 285.7um = 1.81phi

Inclusive Standard Deviation = 2.06 phi (Very Poorly Sorted) Inclusive Skewness = -0.53 (Strongly Coarse Skewed)

Inclusive Kurtosis = 1.34 phi (Leptokurtic) Inclusive Mean Grain Size = 2.52 phi (Fine Sand) Median Grain Size (D[v,0.5]) = 1.96 phi (Medium Sand) Gravel Content = 0 % Sand Content = 79.4 % Silt/Clay Content = 20.6 %

Size (µm)	Volume In %
0.010	0.23
0.490	1.16
0.980	90.000
1.950	1.47
3.900	2.07

Size (µm)	Volume In %
3.900	2.57
7.800	3.02
15.600	121,000,000
31.300	3.65
62.500	6.43

Size (µm)	Volume In %
62.500	9.58
125.000	18.58
250.000	33.84
500.000	17.20
1000.000	17.20

Size (µm)	Volume In %
1000.000	0.19
2000.000	0.00
8000.000	
10000.000	0.00



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Result Analysis Report

Sample Name: Arch/core/10.7cm depth

Measured by: OLLY Measured: 07/02/02 10:53:49

Sample Bulk Lot Ref: 10.7cm depth Analysed: 07/02/02 10:53:50 Obscuration: 16.33

Weighted Residual: 0.523 %

SOP Name: soil

Percentile Grain Size: D[v,0.05] = 2.99um = 8.39phi

D[v,0.16] = 31.39um = 4.99phi D[v,0.5] = 240.77um = 2.05phi

D[v,0.84] = 505.42um = .98phi D[v,0.95] = 696.5um = .52phiNon Inclusive Parameters:

Kurtosis = -0.12

Skewness = .73

Standard Deviation = 222.86 um = 2.17phi

Volume Weighted Mean: D[4,3] = 272.05um = 1.88phi

Inclusive Standard Deviation = 2.19 phi (Very Poorly Sorted)

Inclusive Skewness = -0.54 (Strongly Coarse Skewed)

Inclusive Kurtosis = 1.28 phi (Leptokurtic) Inclusive Mean Grain Size = 2.68 phi (Fine Sand) Median Grain Size (D[v,0.5]) = 2.05 phi (Fine Sand) Gravel Content = 0 % Sand Content = 76.97 % Silt/Clay Content = 23.03 %

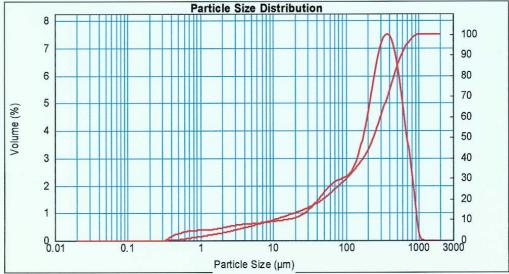
Size (µm) Volume In % 0.010 0.34 0.490 1.49 0.980 1.78 1.950 2.38

3.900

Size (µm)	Volume In %
3.900	2.80
7.800	3.19
15.600	
31.300	4.01
62.500	7.06

Size (µm)	Volume In %
62.500	10.23
125.000	18.20
250.000	32.08
500.000	S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S
1000.000	16.40

Size (µm)	Volume In %
1000.000	0.06
2000.000	0.00
8000.000	
10000.000	0.00



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Result Analysis Report

Sample Name: Arch/core/14.3cm depth OLLY

Measured: 07/02/02 11:01:27

Obscuration: 13.81

Weighted Residual: 0.630

Sample Bulk Lot Ref: 14.3cm depth Analysed: 07/02/02 11:01:28 SOP Name: soil

Percentile Grain Size: D[v,0.05] = 3.28um = 8.25phi D[v,0.16] = 36.72um = 4.77phi

D[v,0.5] = 260.64um = 1.94phi

D[v,0.84] = 514.33um = .96phi D[v,0.95] = 696.16um = .52phi Non Inclusive Parameters:

Skewness = .62

Standard Deviation = 220.26 um = 2.18phi

Volume Weighted Mean: D[4,3] = 283.85um = 1.82phi Kurtosis = -0.3

Inclusive Standard Deviation = 2.12 phi (Very Poorly Sorted) Inclusive Skewness = -0.56 (Strongly Coarse Skewed)

Inclusive Kurtosis = 1.37 phi (Leptokurtic) Inclusive Mean Grain Size = 2.56 phi (Fine Sand) Median Grain Size (D[v,0.5]) = 1.94 phi (Medium Sand)

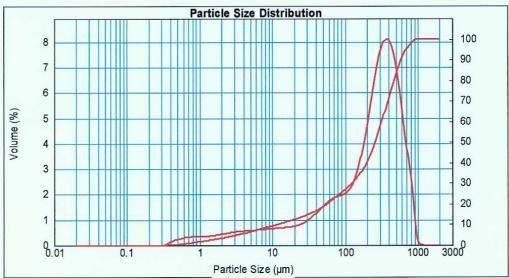
Gravel Content = 0 % Sand Content = 78.91 % Silt/Clay Content = 21.09 %

Size (µm)	Volume In %
0.010	0.32
0.490	1.38
0.980	1.66
1.950	Processor.
3.900	2.26

Size (µm)	Volume In %
3.900	2.66
7.800	3.00
15.600	3.62
31.300	C35C43G9G-15
62.500	6.20

Size (µm)	Volume In %
62.500	8.97
125.000	18.17
250.000 500.000	34.48
1000.000	17.24

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Result Analysis Report

Sample Name: Arch/core/17.85cm depth

13.85 Obscuration:

Measured by:

OLLY

Measured: 07/02/02 11:08:56

Weighted Residual: 0.581

Sample Bulk Lot Ref: 17.85cm depth

Analysed: 07/02/02 11:08:57

SOP Name:

soil

Percentile Grain Size: D[v,0.05] = 3.34um = 8.23phi

D[v,0.84] = 498.67um = 1phi D[v,0.95] = 671.25um = .58phi Skewness = .57

D[v,0.16] = 39.6um = 4.66phi

Non Inclusive Parameters:

Standard Deviation = 210.66 um = 2.25phi

D[v,0.5] = 262.06um = 1.93phi

Kurtosis = -0.33

Volume Weighted Mean: D[4,3] = 280.45um = 1.83phi

Inclusive Standard Deviation = 2.07 phi (Very Poorly Sorted)

Gravel Content = 0 %

Inclusive Skewness = -0.57 (Strongly Coarse Skewed)

Sand Content = 79.77 %

Inclusive Kurtosis = 1.47 phi (Leptokurtic) Inclusive Mean Grain Size = 2.53 phi (Fine Sand)

Median Grain Size (D[v,0.5]) = 1.93 phi (Medium Sand)

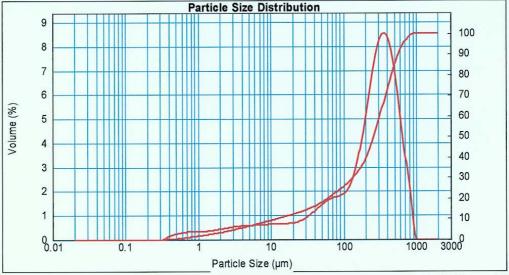
Silt/Clay Content = 20.23 %

Size (µm)	Volume In %
0.010	0.32
0.490	1.36
0.980	
1.950	1.62
3.900	2.25

Size (µm)	Volume in %
3.900	
7.800	2.88
15.600	3.32
31.300	5.81
62.500	5.01

Size (µm)	Volume In %
62.500	8.39
125.000	19.21
250.000	36.30
500.000	15.88
1000.000	15.00

Size (µm)	Volume In %
1000.000	0.00
2000.000	0.00
8000.000	17.07.00
10000.000	0.00



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Standard Deviation = 192.06 um = 2.38phi

1.037

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D[v,0.84] = 470.14um = 1.09phi

Sample Name: Arch/core/21.4cm depth

OLLY Measured: 07/02/02 11:20:12 Weighted Residual: Measured by:

SOP Name: soil

Sample Bulk Lot Ref: 21.4cm depth Analysed: 07/02/02 11:20:14

Percentile Grain Size: D[v,0.05] = 3.36um = 8.22phi

D[v,0.95] = 610.37um = .71phi D[v,0.16] = 39.05um = 4.68phi D[v,0.6] = 258um = 1.95phi

Non Inclusive Parameters: Volume Weighted Mean: D[4,3] = 266.91um = 1.91phi Kurtosis = -0.63

Inclusive Standard Deviation = 2.03 phi (Very Poorly Sorted) Inclusive Skewness = -0.59 (Strongly Coarse Skewed) Inclusive Kurtosis = 1.48 phi (Leptokurtic) Inclusive Mean Grain Size = 2.57 phi (Fine Sand)

Median Grain Size (D[v,0.5]) = 1.95 phi (Medium Sand)

Gravel Content = 0 % Sand Content = 79.74 % Silt/Clay Content = 20.26 %

Obscuration:

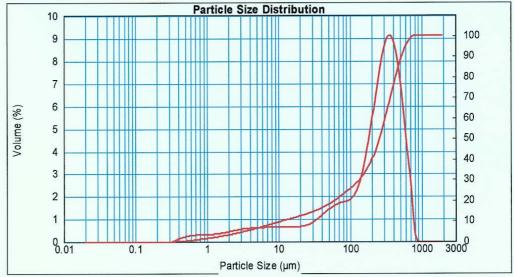
Skewness = .39

Size (µm)	Volume In %
0.010	0.30
0.490	1.30
0.980	1.61
1.950	2.36
3.900	2.30

Size (µm)	Volume In %
3.900	2.81
7.800	2.96
15.600	3.23
31.300	5.69
62.500	5.09

Size (µm)	Volume In %
62.500	8.30
125.000	19.90
250.000	38.60
500.000	***************************************
1000.000	12.93

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Obscuration: Sample Name: Arch/core/25cm depth

Measured by: OLLY Measured: 07/02/02 11:28:26 Weighted Residual: 1.566

Sample Bulk Lot Ref: 25cm depth SOP Name: Analysed: 07/02/02 11:28:27 soil

D[v,0.84] = 458.93um = 1.12phi Percentile Grain Size: Skewness = .38

D[v,0.95] = 590.57um = .76phi Standard Deviation = 190.41 um = 2.39phi D[v,0.05] = 2.92um = 8.42phi D[v,0.16] = 25.94um = 5.27phi Non Inclusive Parameters: Volume Weighted Mean: D[v,0.5] = 248.21um = 2.01phi Kurtosis = -0.73 D[4,3] = 264.86um = 1.97phi

Inclusive Standard Deviation = 2.2 phi (Very Poorly Sorted)

Inclusive Skewness = -0.62 (Strongly Coarse Skewed)

Inclusive Kurtosis = 1.3 phi (Leptokurtic)

Inclusive Mean Grain Size = 2.8 phi (Fine Sand)

Median Grain Size (D[v,0.5]) = 2.01 phi (Fine Sand)

Gravel Content = 0 %

Sand Content = 76.81 %

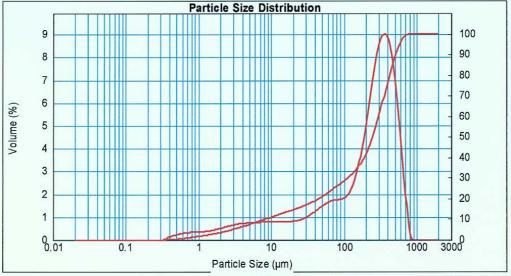
Silt/Clay Content = 23.19 %

Size (µm)	Volume In %
0.010	0.31
0.490	1.39
0.980	10.000.00
1.950	1.80
3.900	2.79

Size (µm)	Volume In %
3.900	3.40
7.800	3.58
15.600	3.87
31.300	100100000000000000000000000000000000000
62.500	6.05

Size (µm)	Volume In %
62.500	8.22
125.000	18.91
250.000	
500.000	37.98
1000.000	11.70

Size (µm)	Volume In %
1000.000	0.00
2000.000	0.00
8000.000	0.00
10000.000	0.00



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Sample Name: Arch/core/28.6cm depth

Measured: 07/02/02 11:36:09 Measured by: OLLY

Analysed: 07/02/02 11:36:10 SOP Name: soil Sample Bulk Lot Ref: 28.6cm depth

Percentile Grain Size: D[v,0.05] = 2.53um = 8.63phi

D[v,0.16] = 21.56um = 5.54phi D[v,0.5] = 236.76um = 2.08phi

D[v,0.84] = 450.11um = 1.15phi D[v,0.95] = 592.62um = .75phiNon Inclusive Parameters:

Kurtosis = -0.58

Skewness = .47

Obscuration:

Weighted Residual:

Standard Deviation = 190.35 um = 2.39phi

14.99

0.948

Volume Weighted Mean: D[4,3] = 248.29um = 2.01phi

Inclusive Standard Deviation = 2.29 phi (Very Poorly Sorted) Inclusive Skewness = -0.62 (Strongly Coarse Skewed)

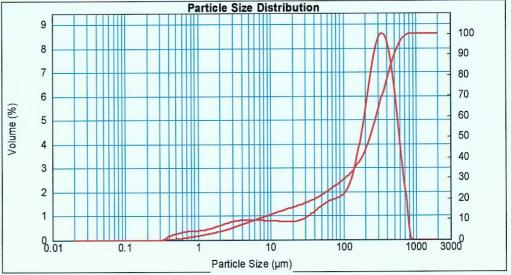
Inclusive Kurtosis = 1.33 phi (Leptokurtic) Inclusive Mean Grain Size = 2.92 phi (Fine Sand) Median Grain Size (D[v,0.5]) = 2.08 phi (Fine Sand) Gravel Content = 0 % Sand Content = 76.24 % Silt/Clay Content = 23.76 %

Size (µm)	Volume In %
0.010	0.35
0.490	1.52
0.980	
1.950	2.05
3.900	3.24

Size (µm)	Volume In %
3.900	3.71
7.800	3.55
15.600	3.59
31.300	5.75
62.500	5.75

Size (µm)	Volume In %
62.500	8.32
125.000	20.43
250.000	36.34
500.000	
1000.000	11.16

Size (µm)	Volume In %
1000.000	0.00
2000.000	0.00
8000.000	0.00
10000.000	0.00



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Result Analysis Report

Sample Name: Arch/core/32.1cm depth

Measured: 07/02/02 11:43:36

Weighted Residual: 0.611

Obscuration:

Sample Bulk Lot Ref: 32.1cm depth Analysed: 07/02/02 11:43:37 SOP Name: soil

Percentile Grain Size: D[v,0.05] = 2.85um = 8.45phi

Measured by: OLLY

D[v,0.05] = 2.85um = 8.45phi D[v,0.16] = 23.19um = 6.43phi D[v,0.5] = 256.52um = 1.96phi Non Inclusive Parameters: Volume Weighted Mean:

Kurtosis = -0.45 D[4,3] = 270.93um = 1.88phi

Inclusive Standard Deviation = 2.29 phi (Very Poorly Sorted)
Inclusive Skewness = -0.61 (Strongly Coarse Skewed)

Inclusive Kurtosis = 1.26 phi (Leptokurtic)
Inclusive Mean Grain Size = 2.8 phi (Fine Sand)
Median Grain Size (D[v,0.5]) = 1.96 phi (Medium Sand)

Gravel Content = 0 %

Sand Content = 76.18 %

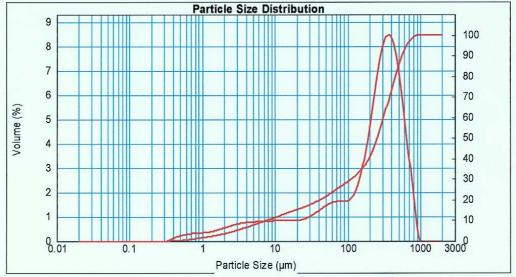
Silt/Clay Content = 23.82 %

Size (µm)	Volume In %
0.010	0.29
0.490	1.34
0.980	1.86
1.950	2.98
3.900	2.90

Size (µm)	Volume In %
3.900	3.59
7.800	3.76
15.600	4.01
31.300	5.99
62.500	5.99

Size (µm)	Volume In %
62.500	7.55
125.000	17.51
250.000	35.82
500.000	15.30
1000.000	15.30

Size (µm)	Volume In %
1000.000	0.00
2000.000	0.00
8000.000	0.00
10000.000	0.00



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Sample Name: Arch/core/35.7cm depth OLLY

Measured: 07/02/02 11:50:52

Obscuration: 15.42

Measured by:

Sample Bulk Lot Ref: 35.7cm depth

Analysed: 07/02/02 11:50:54

0.714 Weighted Residual:

SOP Name: soil

Percentile Grain Size:

D[v,0.05] = 2.21um = 8.82phi

D[v,0.16] = 15.07um = 6.05phi D[v,0.5] = 232.41um = 2.11phi

D[v,0.84] = 459.51um = 1.12phi D[v,0.95] = 614.63um = .7phi

Non Inclusive Parameters:

Kurtosis = -0.48

Skewness = .55

Standard Deviation = 199.95 um = 2.32phi

Volume Weighted Mean:

D[4,3] = 247.71um = 2.01phi

Inclusive Standard Deviation = 2.46 phi (Very Poorly Sorted)

Inclusive Skewness = -0.63 (Strongly Coarse Skewed)

Inclusive Kurtosis = 1.19 phi (Leptokurtic)

Inclusive Mean Grain Size = 3.09 phi (Very Fine Sand) Median Grain Size (D[v,0.5]) = 2.11 phi (Fine Sand)

Gravel Content = 0 % Sand Content = 73.78 %

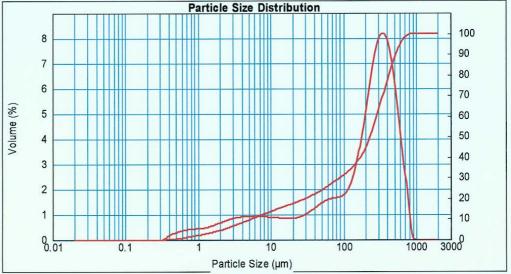
Silt/Clay Content = 26.22 %

Size (µm)	Volume In %
0.010	0.40
0.490	1.72
0.980	200
1.950	2.32
3.900	3.62

Size (µm)	Volume In %
3.900	4.14
7.800	3.99
15.600	4.02
31.300	6.01
62.500	0.01

Size (µm)	Volume In %
62.500	7.94
125.000	18.95
250.000	34.65
500.000	12.24
1000.000	12.24

Size (µm)	Volume In %
1000.000	0.00
2000.000	0.00
8000.000	0.00
10000.000	0.00
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Sample Name: Arch/core/39.3cm depth

Measured: 07/02/02 12:00:31

Obscuration: 13.94

Measured by:

OLLY

Weighted Residual: 0.639

Sample Bulk Lot Ref: 39.3cm depth

Analysed: 07/02/02 12:00:32

SOP Name: soil

Skewness = .65

Percentile Grain Size: D[v,0.05] = 2.43um = 8.68phi D[v,0.84] = 609.31um = .97phi D[v,0.95] = 696.31um = .52phi

Standard Deviation = 226.85 um = 2.14phi

D[v,0.16] = 14.97um = 6.06phi

Non Inclusive Parameters:

Volume Weighted Mean:

D[v,0.5] = 249.08um = 2.01phi

Kurtosis = -0.3

D[4,3] = 271.69um = 1.88phi

Inclusive Standard Deviation = 2.51 phi (Very Poorly Sorted)

Inclusive Skewness = -0.62 (Strongly Coarse Skewed)

Inclusive Kurtosis = 1.12 phi (Leptokurtic)

Inclusive Mean Grain Size = 3.01 phi (Very Fine Sand)

Median Grain Size (D[v,0.5]) = 2.01 phi (Fine Sand)

Gravel Content = 0 % Sand Content = 73.42 %

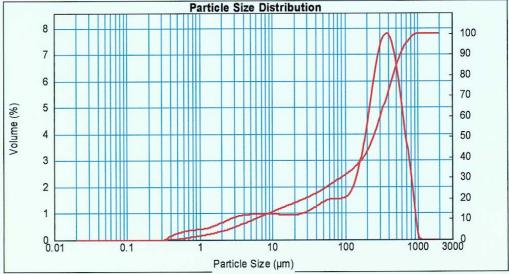
Silt/Clay Content = 26.58 %

Size (µm)	Volume In %
0.010	0.34
0.490	1.52
0.980	2.15
1.950	
3.900	3.60

Size (µm)	Volume In %
3.900	4.32
7.800	132
15.600	1 37
31.300	5.96
62.500	0.00

Size (µm)	Volume In %
62.500	7.24
125.000	16.32
250.000	33.04
500.000	200000000000000000000000000000000000000
1000.000	16.78

Size (µm)	Volume In %
1000.000	0.03
2000.000	0.00
8000.000	13050
10000.000	0.00



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Result Analysis Report

Sample Name: Arch/core/42.9cm depth

OLLY Measured: 07/02/02 12:27:45

Sample Bulk Lot Ref: 42.9cm depth Analysed: 07/02/02 12:27:46 SOP Name: soil

D[v,0.84] = 495.33um = 1.01phi Percentile Grain Size: Skewness = .62

D[v,0.95] = 673.63um = .67phi Standard Deviation = 222.79 um = 2.17phi D[v,0.05] = 2.31um = 8.75phi D[v,0.16] = 11.05um = 6.5phi Non Inclusive Parameters: Volume Weighted Mean: D[v,0.5] = 238.85um = 2.07phi Kurtosis = -0.45 D[4,3] = 268.8um = 1.96phi

Inclusive Standard Deviation = 2.61 phi (Very Poorly Sorted)

Inclusive Skewness = -0.63 (Strongly Coarse Skewed)

Inclusive Kurtosis = .98 phi (Mesokurtic)

Inclusive Mean Grain Size = 3.19 phi (Very Fine Sand) Median Grain Size (D[v,0.5]) = 2.07 phi (Fine Sand)

Gravel Content = 0 % Sand Content = 70.25 % Silt/Clay Content = 29.75 %

Obscuration:

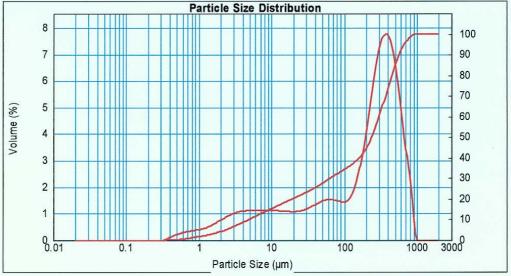
Weighted Residual:

Size (µm)	Volume In %
0.010	0.27
0.490	
0.980	1.44
1.950	2.39
3.900	4.27

	Volume In %
3.900	5.07
7.800	5.04
15.600	4.99
31.300	6.28
62.500	0.20

Size (µm)	Volume In %
62.500	6.76
125.000	15.17
250.000	32.73
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1000.000	15.58

Size (µm)	Volume In %
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8000.000	0.00
10000.000	0.00



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14.51

Standard Deviation = 202.99 um = 2.3phi

0.749

Result Analysis Report

Sample Name: Arch/core/46.4cm deep

Measured: 07/02/02 12:35:32 Measured by: OLLY

Sample Bulk Lot Ref: 46.4cm deep Analysed: 07/02/02 12:35:34 SOP Name: soil

D[v,0.84] = 450.2um = 1.15phi Percentile Grain Size: D[v,0.95] = 611.53um = .71phi D[v,0.05] = 1.95um = 9phi

D[v,0.16] = 9.5um = 6.72phi Non Inclusive Parameters: Volume Weighted Mean:

D[v,0.5] = 207.6um = 2.27phi Kurtosis = -0.4 D[4,3] = 231.99um = 2.11phi

Inclusive Standard Deviation = 2.65 phi (Very Poorly Sorted)

Inclusive Skewness = -0.61 (Strongly Coarse Skewed)

Inclusive Kurtosis = .99 phi (Mesokurtic)

Inclusive Mean Grain Size = 3.38 phi (Very Fine Sand) Median Grain Size (D[v,0.5]) = 2.27 phi (Fine Sand)

Gravel Content = 0 % Sand Content = 69.3 % Silt/Clay Content = 30.7 %

Obscuration:

Skewness = .66

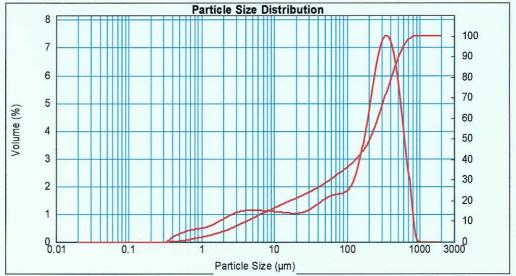
Weighted Residual:

Size (µm)	Volume In %
0.010	0.40
0.490	1.85
0.980	20000000
1.950	2.75
3.900	4.49

Size (µm)	Volume In %
3.900	5 10
7.800	4.87
15.600	222322
31.300	4.79
62.500	6.46

Size (µm)	Volume In %
62.500	8.19
125.000	17.88
250.000	31.58
500.000	11.65
1000.000	11.00

Size (µm)	Volume In %
1000.000	0.00
2000.000	0.00
8000.000	
10000.000	0.00



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Result Analysis Report

Sample Name: Arch/core/50cm depth

Measured: 07/02/02 12:42:14

Obscuration: 14.30 %

Measured by:

OLLY

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Weighted Residual: 0.744 9

Sample Bulk Lot Ref: 50cm depth Analysed: 07/02/02 12:42:15

SOP Name: soil

Percentile Grain Size: D[v,0.05] = 1.85um = 9.08ph

D[v,0.05] = 1.85um = 9.08phi D[v,0.16] = 6.8um = 7.2phi D[v,0.5] = 207.72um = 2.27phi D[v,0.84] = 476.02um = 1.07phi D[v,0.95] = 650.08um = .62phi Non Inclusive Parameters:

Kurtosis = -0.42

Skewness = .69

Standard Deviation = 219.76 um = 2.19phi

Volume Weighted Mean: D[4,3] = 237.68um = 2.07phi

Inclusive Standard Deviation = 2.81 phi (Very Poorly Sorted)

Inclusive Skewness = -0.61 (Strongly Coarse Skewed)

Inclusive Kurtosis = .82 phi (Platykurtic)

Inclusive Mean Grain Size = 3.51 phi (Very Fine Sand)
Median Grain Size (D[v,0.5]) = 2.27 phi (Fine Sand)

Gravel Content = 0 %

Sand Content = 65.86 %

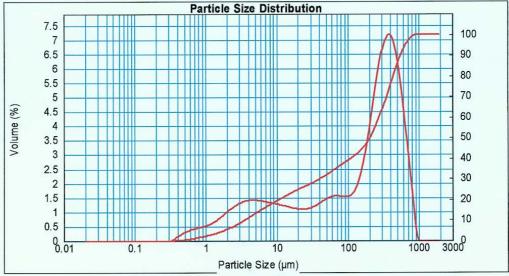
Silt/Clay Content = 34.14 %

Size (µm)	Volume In %
0.010	0.36
0.490	1.84
0.980	3.14
1.950	100000000
3.900	5.58

Size (µm)	Volume In %
3.900	6.29
7.800	5.66
15.600	5.08
31.300	6.18
62.500	0.10

Size (µm)	Volume In %
62.500	7.05
125.000	14.56
250.000	30.32
500.000	13.93
1000.000	13.93

Size (µm)	Volume In %
1000.000	0.00
2000.000	0.00
8000.000	0.00
10000.000	0.00



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Table 1. Wentworth scale of particle sizes (phi(Φ) = -log₂S, where S is the particle size in mm).

Particle Size Table (Wentworth Scale)

Wentworth (1922)		Phi	(mm)	Microns
after Udden				um
BOULDER COBBLE		-8 -7	256 128	256000 128000
PEBBLE		6 5 4	64 32 16	64000 32000 16000
		-3 -2	8 4	8000 4000
GRANULE		-1	2	2000
SILT	Very coarse	0	1	1000
	Coarse Medium	1	1/2	500
	Fine	2	1/4	250
	Very fine	3	1/8	125
	Coarse	4	1/16	62.5
	Medium	5	1/32	31.3
	Fine	6	1/64	15.6
	Very fine	7	1/128	7.8
	Coarse Medium Fine	8	1/256	3.9
		9		1.95
		10	1/1024	0.98
	Very fine	11		0.49
				0.01