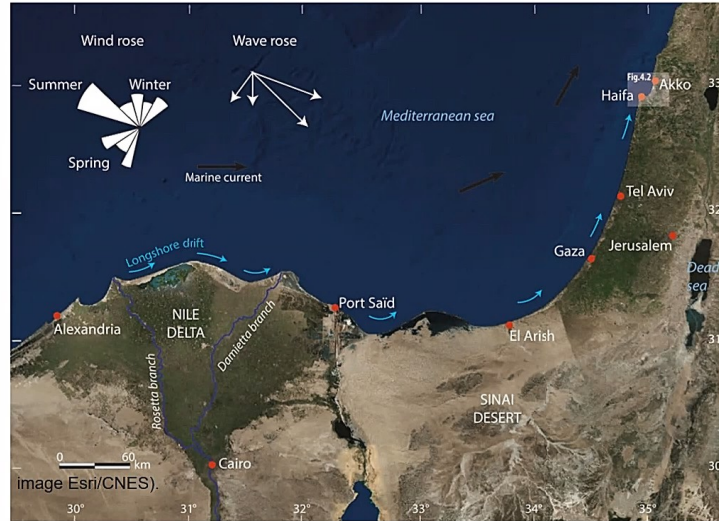


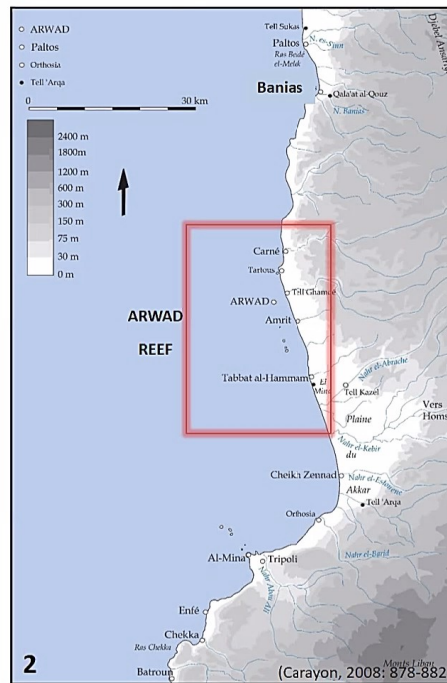
Main questions

- Relative sea-level changes
- Shoreline deformations / sedimentary budget
- Anthropogenic impacts
- Natural hazards / neo-catastrophism
- Archaeological conservation

Regional context



ANCIENT PORTS AND HARBOUR-CITIES ON THE SYRIAN COAST



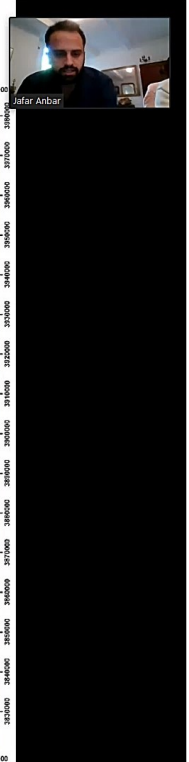
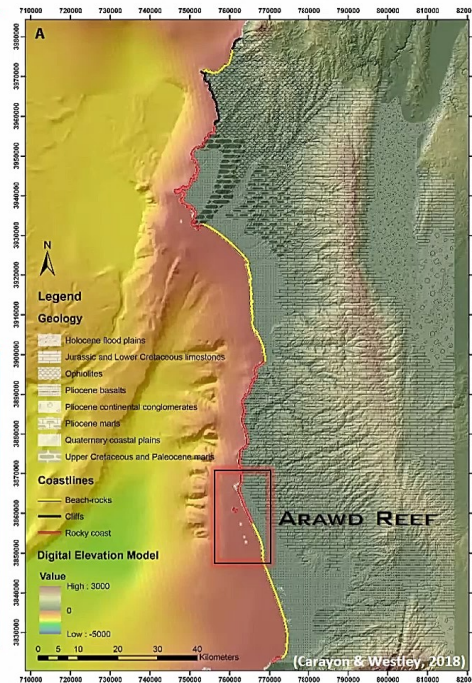
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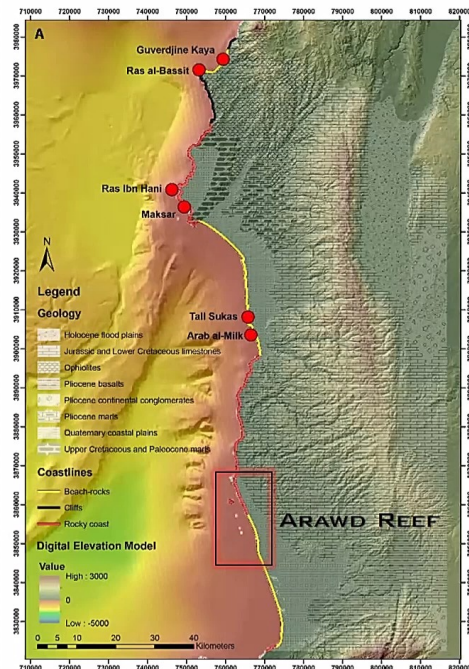
Need of palaeo-environmental coastal landscape reconstruction

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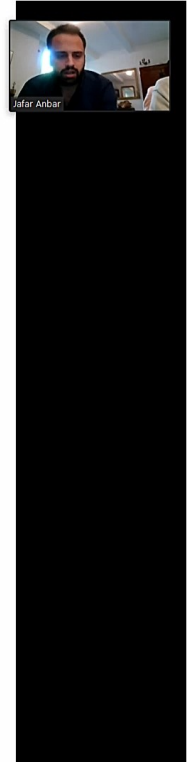
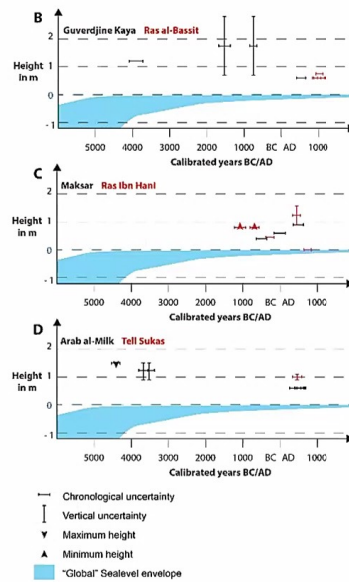
The Syrian coast is characterised by heavy sedimentation with prograding beaches and coastal erosion with formation of beachrock.



SEA LEVEL CHANGES AND TECTONICS



Age calibrated BC / AD and height of the different palaeo-sealevels dated along the Syrian coast



THE PHOENICIAN SITE OF ARWAD

Multi-functions harbour installations, **submerged structures**, built and rock cut, coastal fortification, rock-cut features, artificial basin?



ARWAD SURVEY 2021 @ ANBAR 2021

MACHROUD ISLAND

Quarry, anchorage, rock-cut features, **submerged remains and submerged rock-cut channel**.

STUDY ZONE - ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES

Need of systematic archaeological research



AMRIT (MARATHUS)

Port installation composed of several warehouses and a long quay established in an **infilled natural lagoon or bay**. **Coastal erosion**.



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TABBAT AL-HAMMAM

Harbour installations 8c. BC. **Erosion of the Northern coast and progradation of southern coast**.



RESEARCH ISSUES

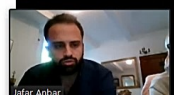
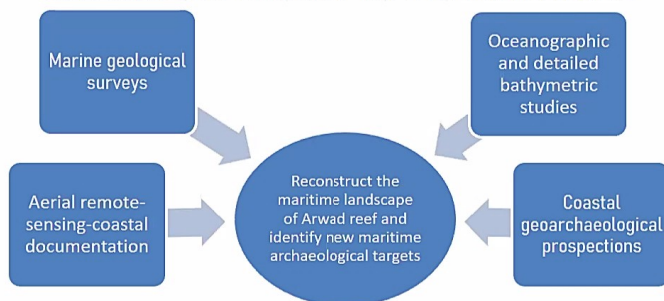
A- Archaeological issues

- Assessment (Date, interpretation, construction techniques)
- Need of systematic documentation
- Issues of maritime connectivity

B- Maritime and coastal geoarchaeological issues

- Landscape reconstruction of Arwad reef
- (Sea-level change, geohazards and bathymetry recording)

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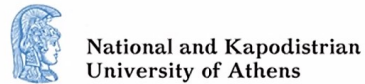
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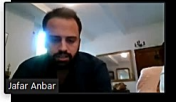
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- Oceanographic and Detailed bathymetric studies
- Submerged landscapes mapping
- Geohazards and tectonic movements

3. COASTAL GEO-ARCHAEOLOGICAL PROSPECTION

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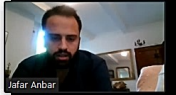
Arwad Island Archaeological Sectors

- Sector A - East**
Harbour facilities and fortification
- Sector B - South-East**
Coastal fortification and submerged structures
- Sector C - South-West**
Coastal fortification and foundation of buildings
- Sector D - West**
Double coastal fortification
- Sector E - North-West**
Coastal fortification and Military Harbour basin?
- Sector F - Bint Arwad**
Defence tower?

Syria

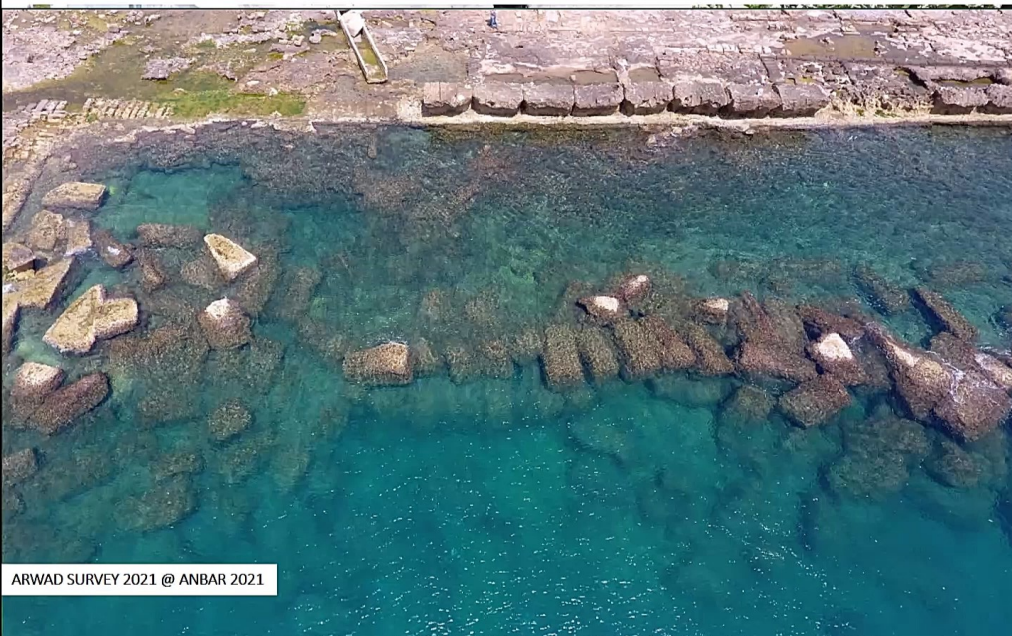
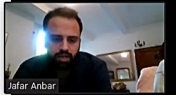
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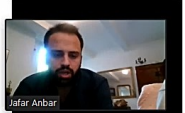
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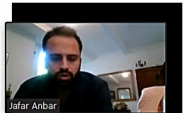
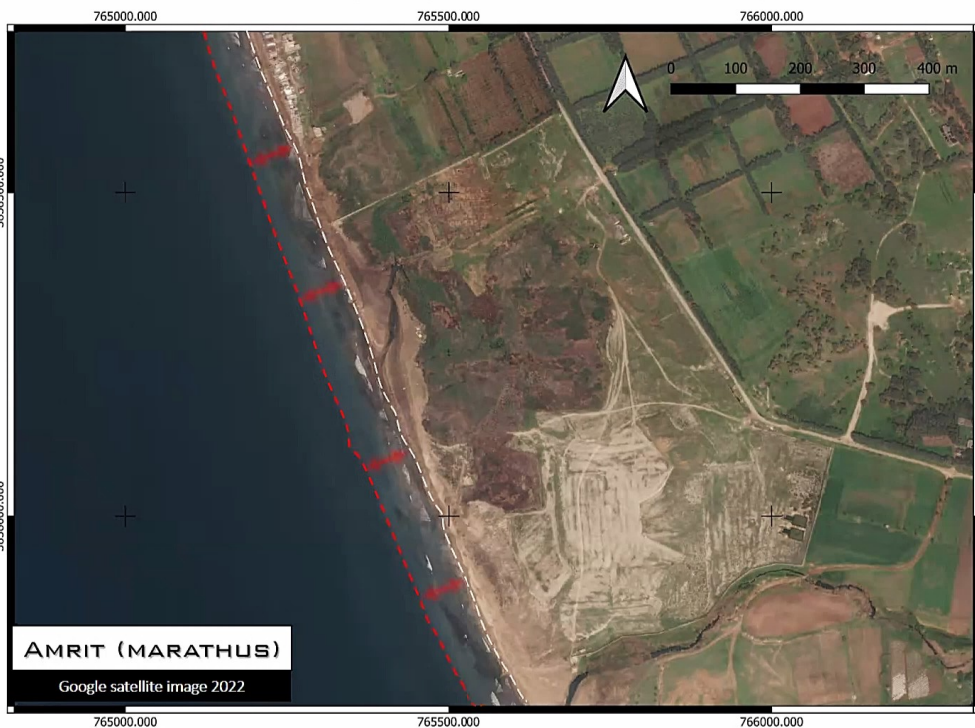
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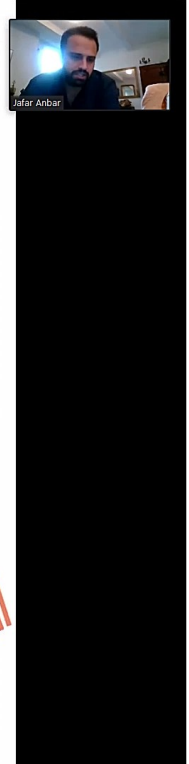
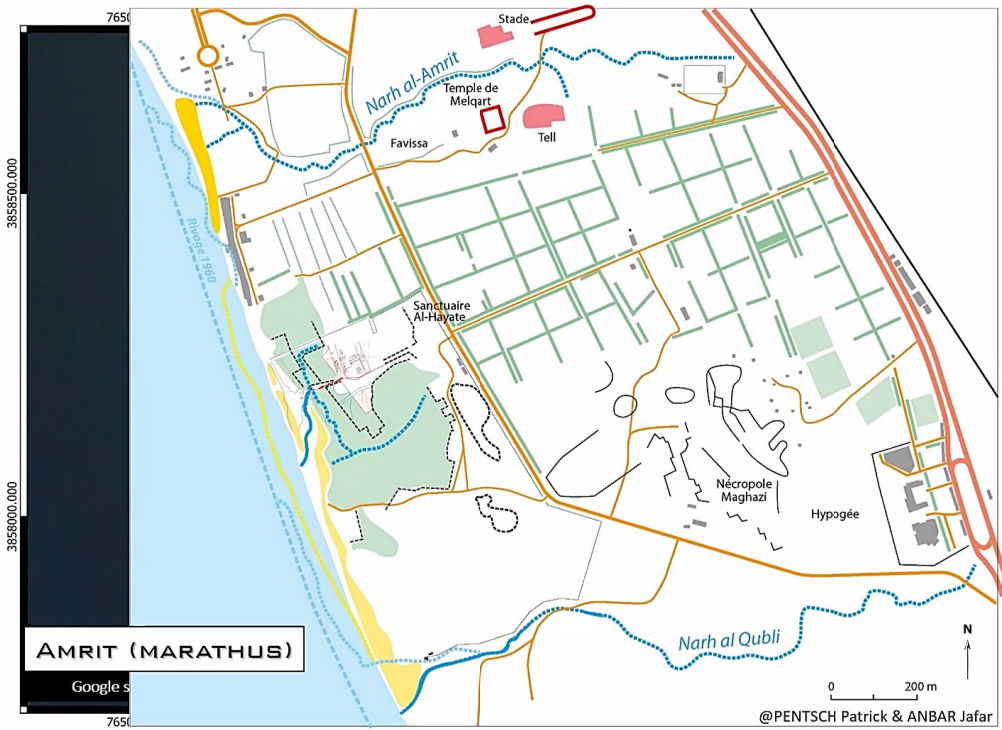
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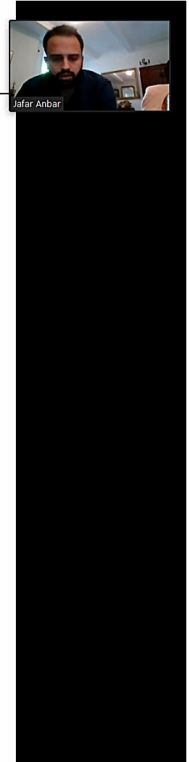
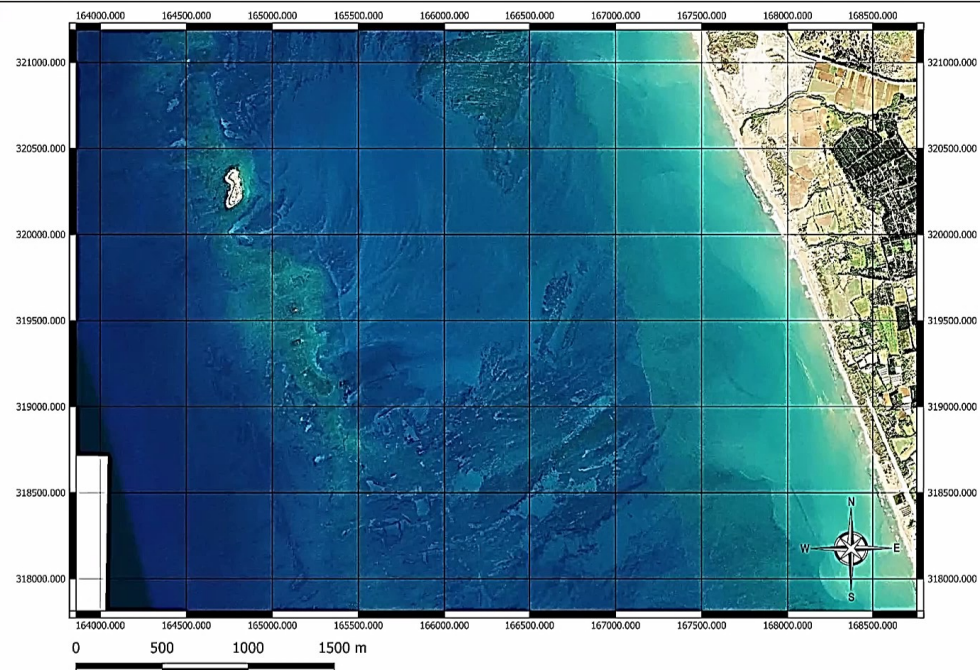
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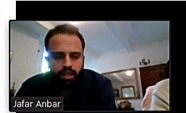
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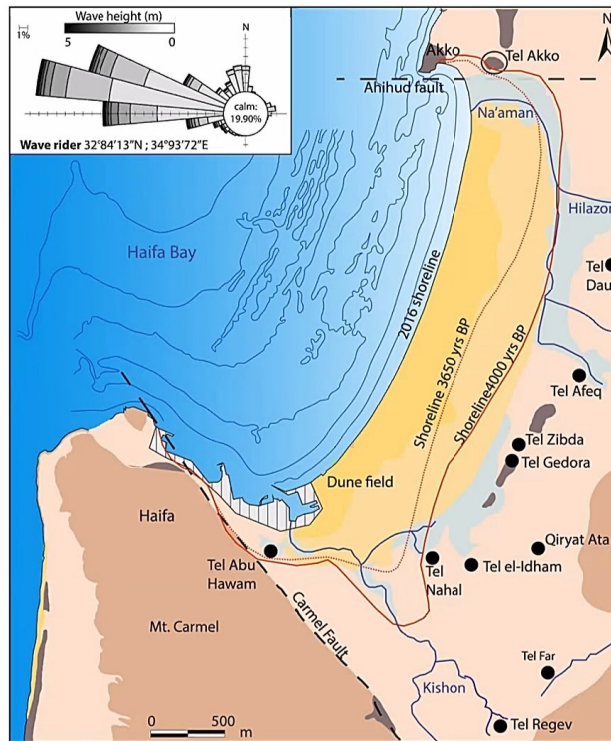
The archaeological site of Amrit harbour Aerial photogrammetry – @ ANBAR 2021

New insights into the palaeoenvironmental changes around Akko since the Bronze Age and related location of the ancient harbours



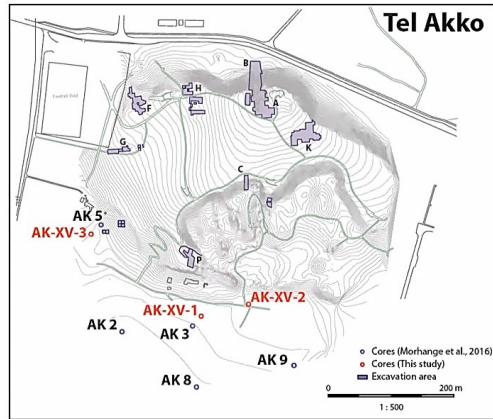
Aerial picture of Tel Akko (M. Artzy)

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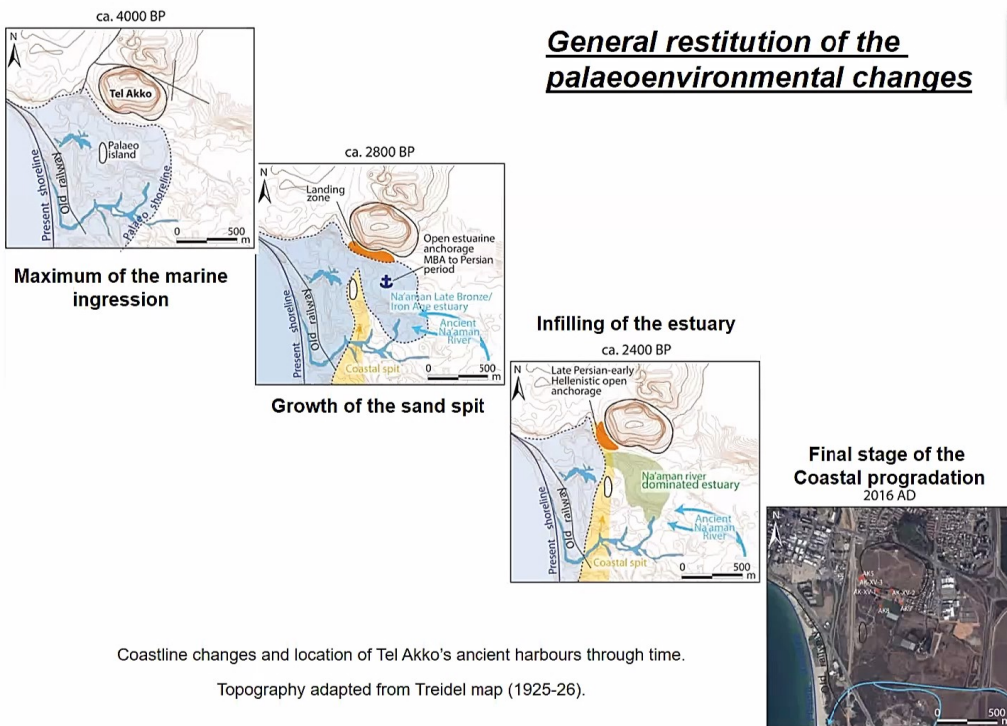
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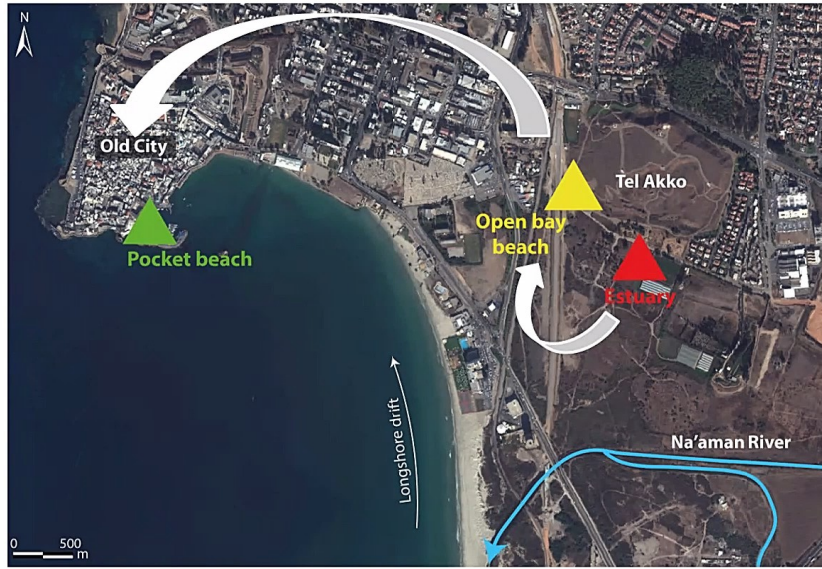


Location of the cores, image Esri/CNES.

General restitution of the palaeoenvironmental changes



Mobility of Akko ancient harbours



 Hellenistic harbour

 Late Persian/ Early Hellenistic harbour

 Bronze/Iron Age harbour

Giaime et al. (2017) *GEOARCAEOGEOLOGY*



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