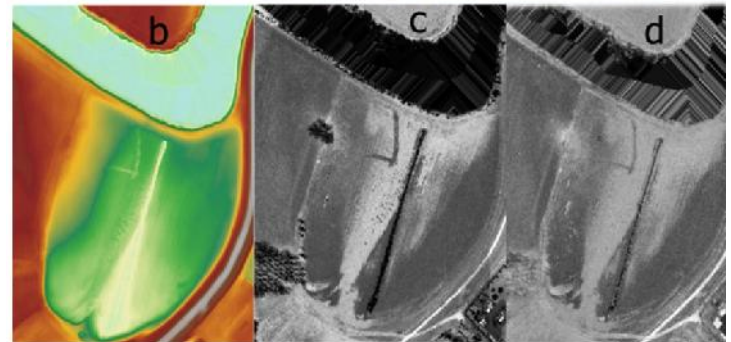
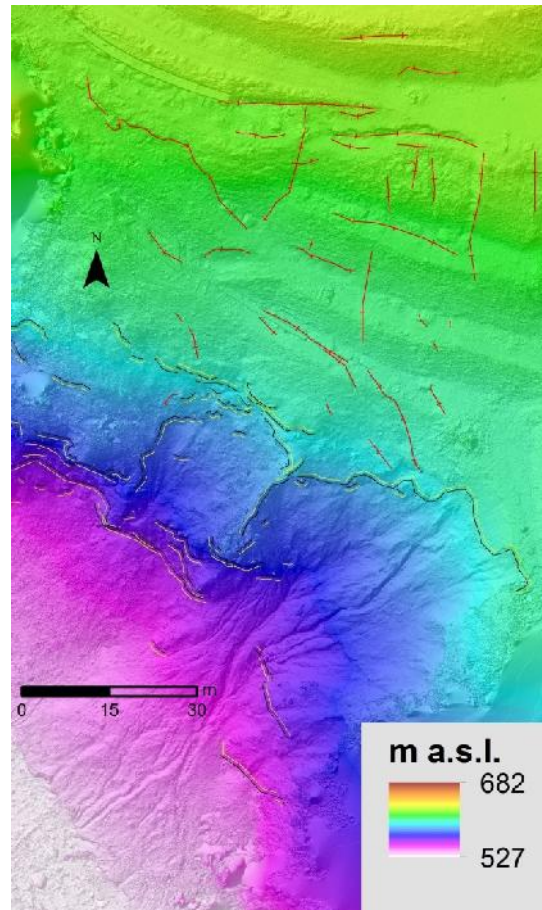


Telerilevamento e DTM: applicazioni geomorfologiche in ambiente GIS

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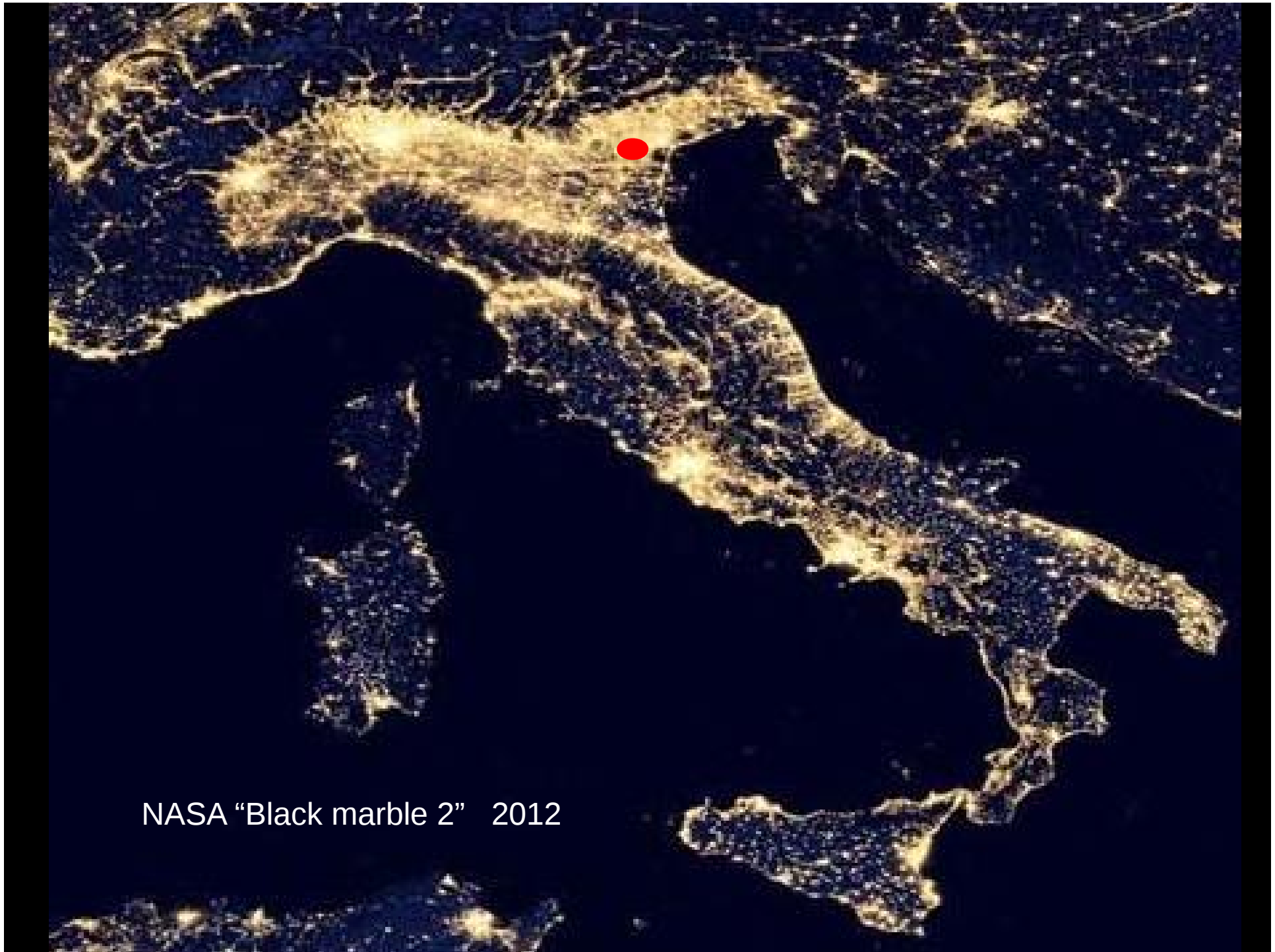
Integration of **LiDAR** and **cropmarks** remote sensing for the study of fluvial and anthropogenic landforms in the *Brenta-Bacchiglione* alluvial plain (NE Italy)



Introduction

The geomorphological study of **alluvial plains** takes great advantage from **high resolution** altimetry, especially in the **lower relief sectors**, like the area of study (**mean slope ~0.4‰**).

Alluvial plains are one of the **privileged substrate** for the **human** infrastructures and activity.



NASA "Black marble 2" 2012

Aims & Data

Improve the geomorphological understanding and mapping of the plain around Padova, also in the high urbanized surroundings and medieval town center

A remote sensing dedicated acquisition was carried out with LiDAR and oblique aerial images

LiDAR acquisition was possible inside the framework of the research project:
“Padova Underground: a geoarcheological investigation to the root of the city”
supported by Fondazione Cariparo.

LiDAR flow-chart

1. Pre-acquisition planning

Choosing the sensor and the optimal density of the acquisition

Choosing the best season and condition for the flight

Riegl LMS-Q560 waveform ~7 points/m²

**end of the winter,
bare soils**



2. Data Acquisition

Aerial LaserScanning

Contextually Ground Control Point acquisition

(3 days in March 2011)

**10 benchmarks in static DGPS; 2 targets
about 600 points in RTK DGPS**

z accuracy < 5-10 cm

3. Processing data

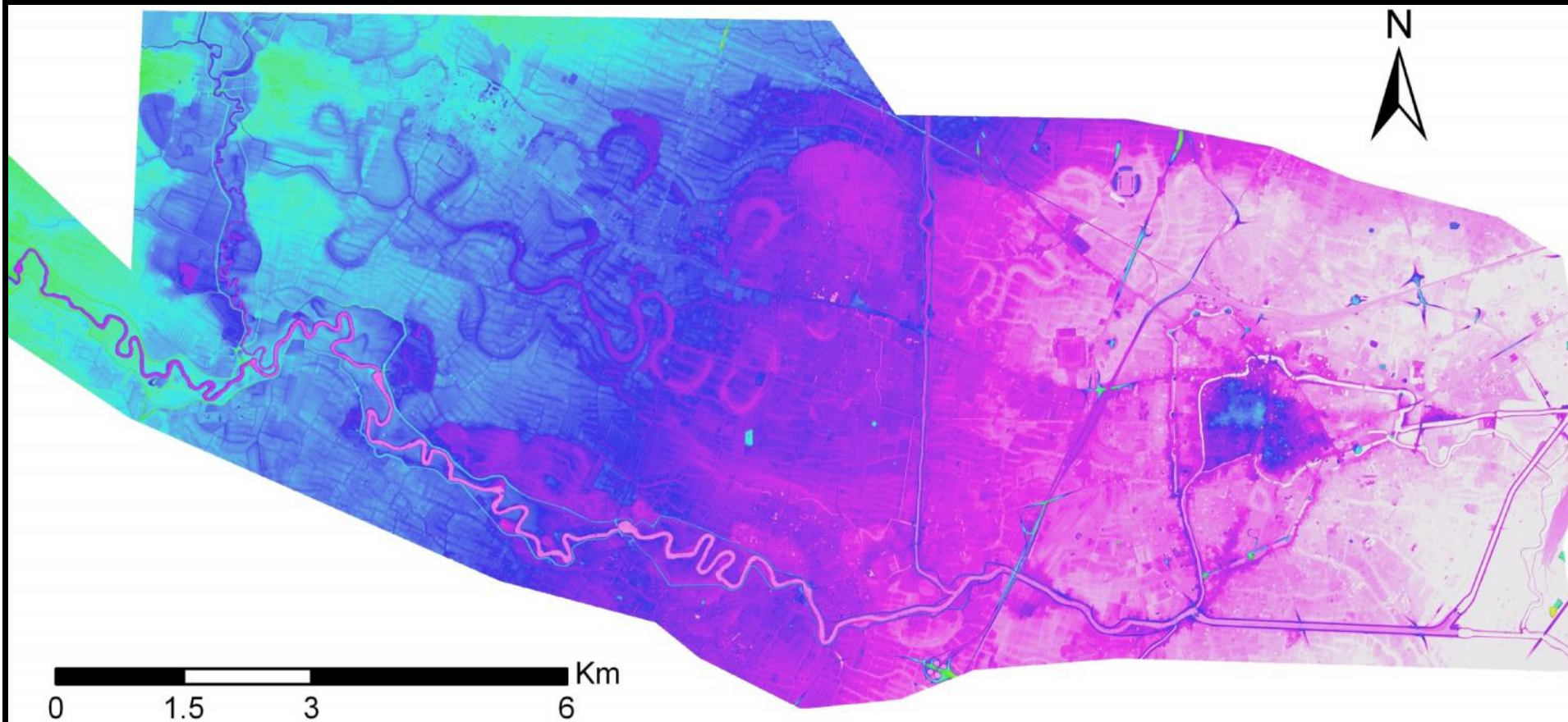
Control of accuracy

Classification of points cloud

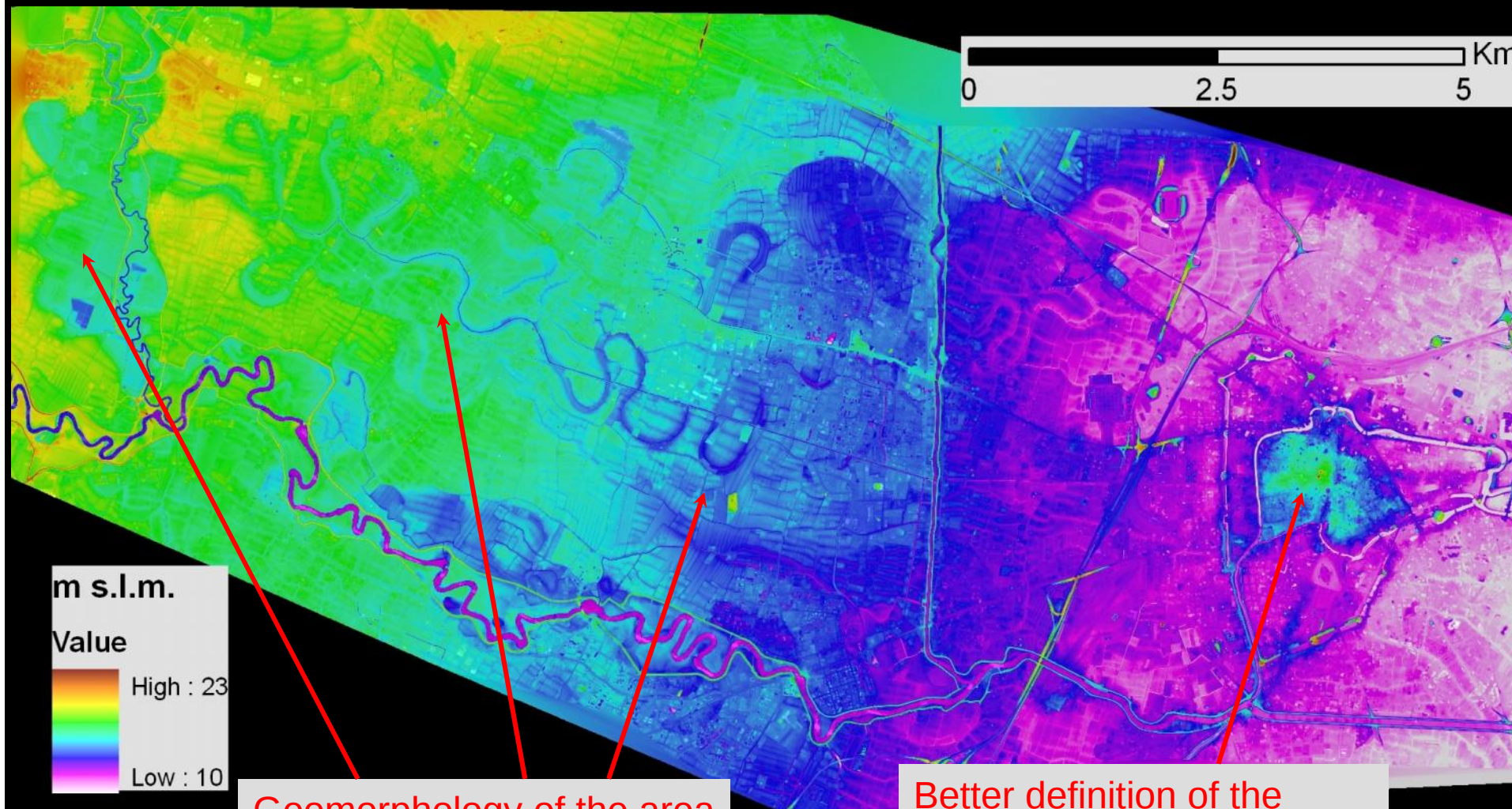
Calibration of the "intensity"

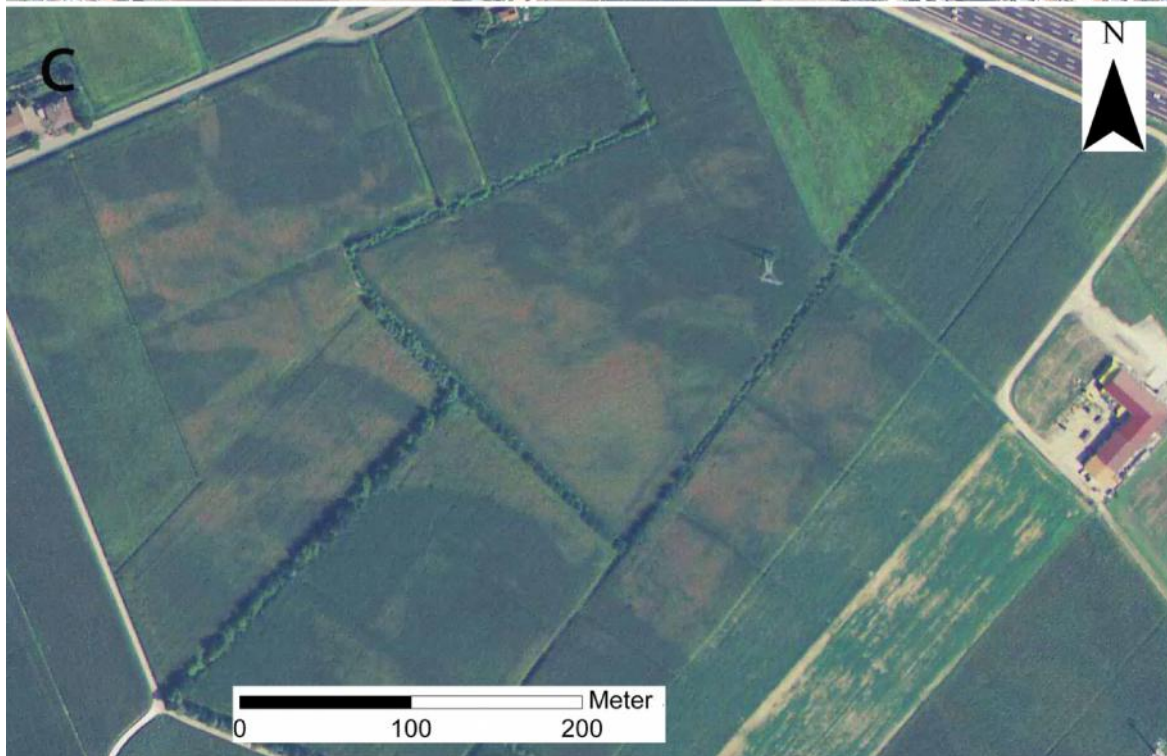
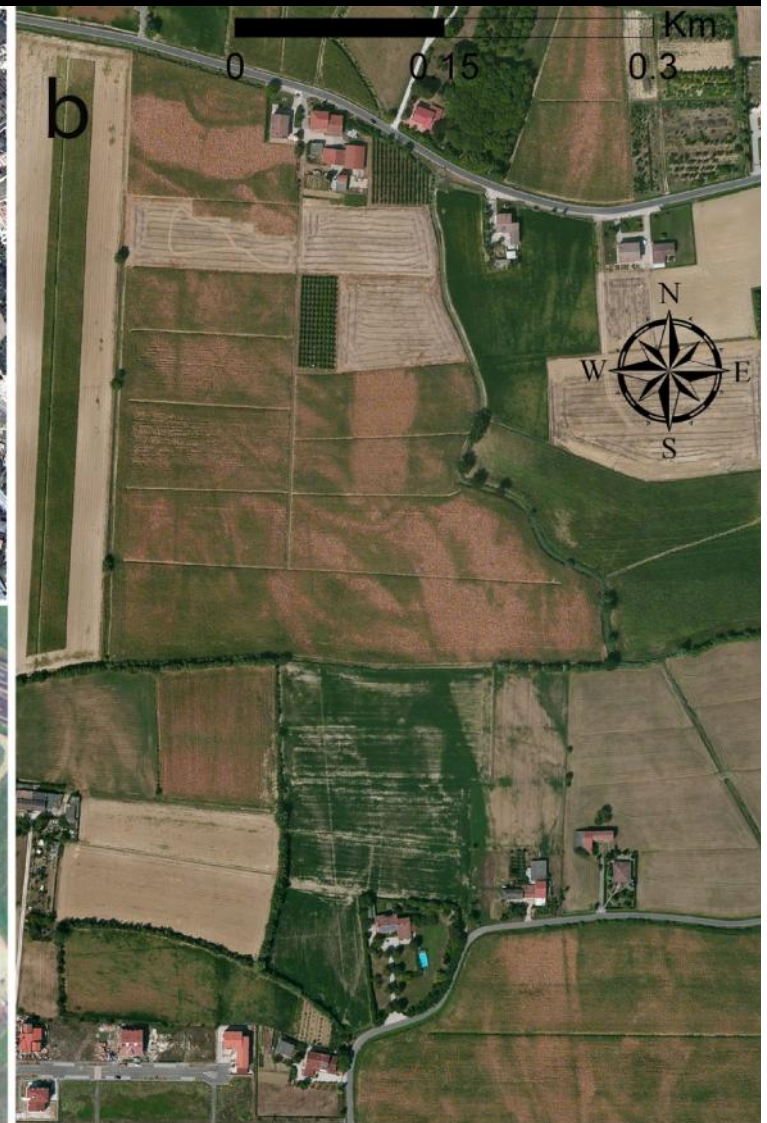
Geometrically calibrated





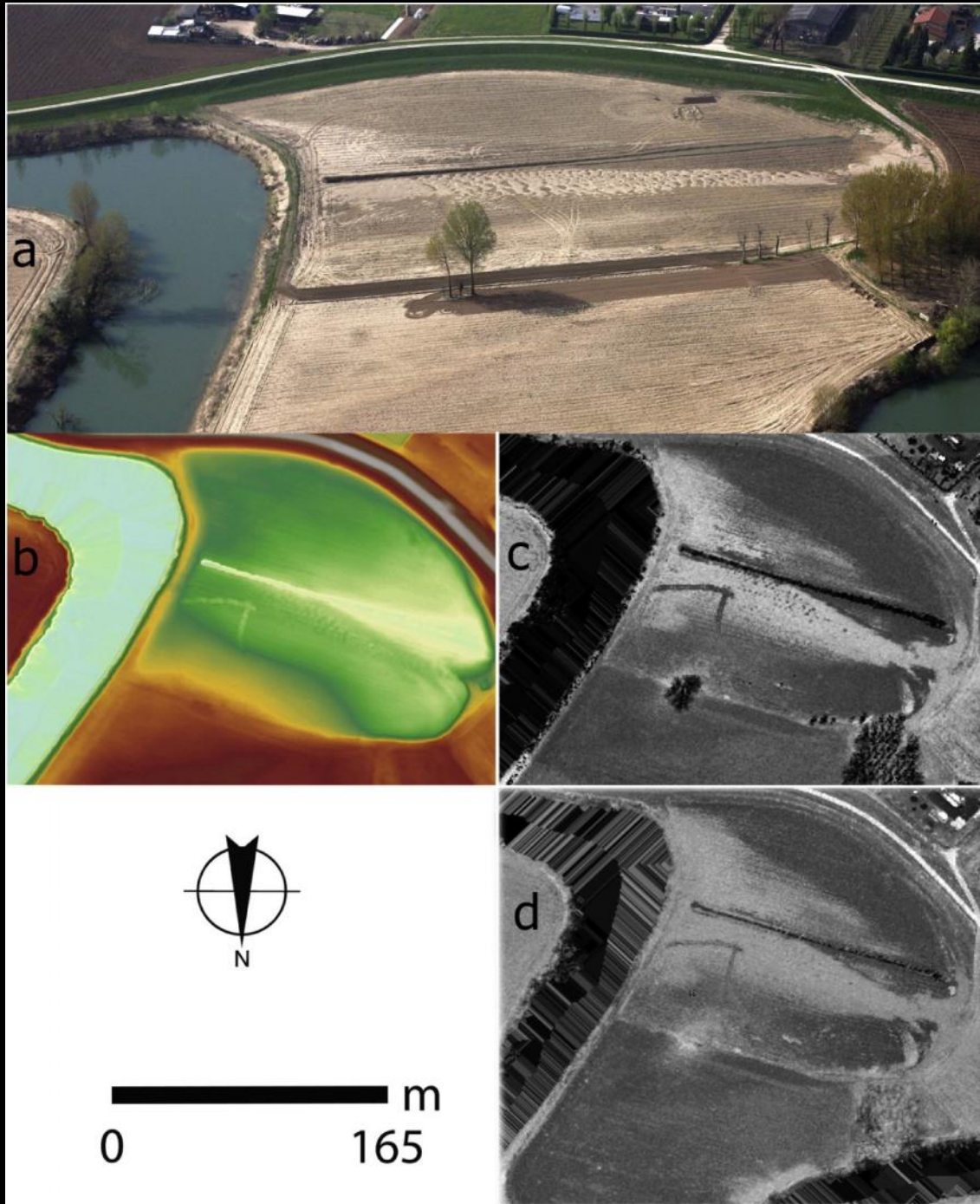
“Ground” DEM





Sandy braided L.G.M.





The floodplain of the Bacchiglione River, which was flooded during the November 2010 event.

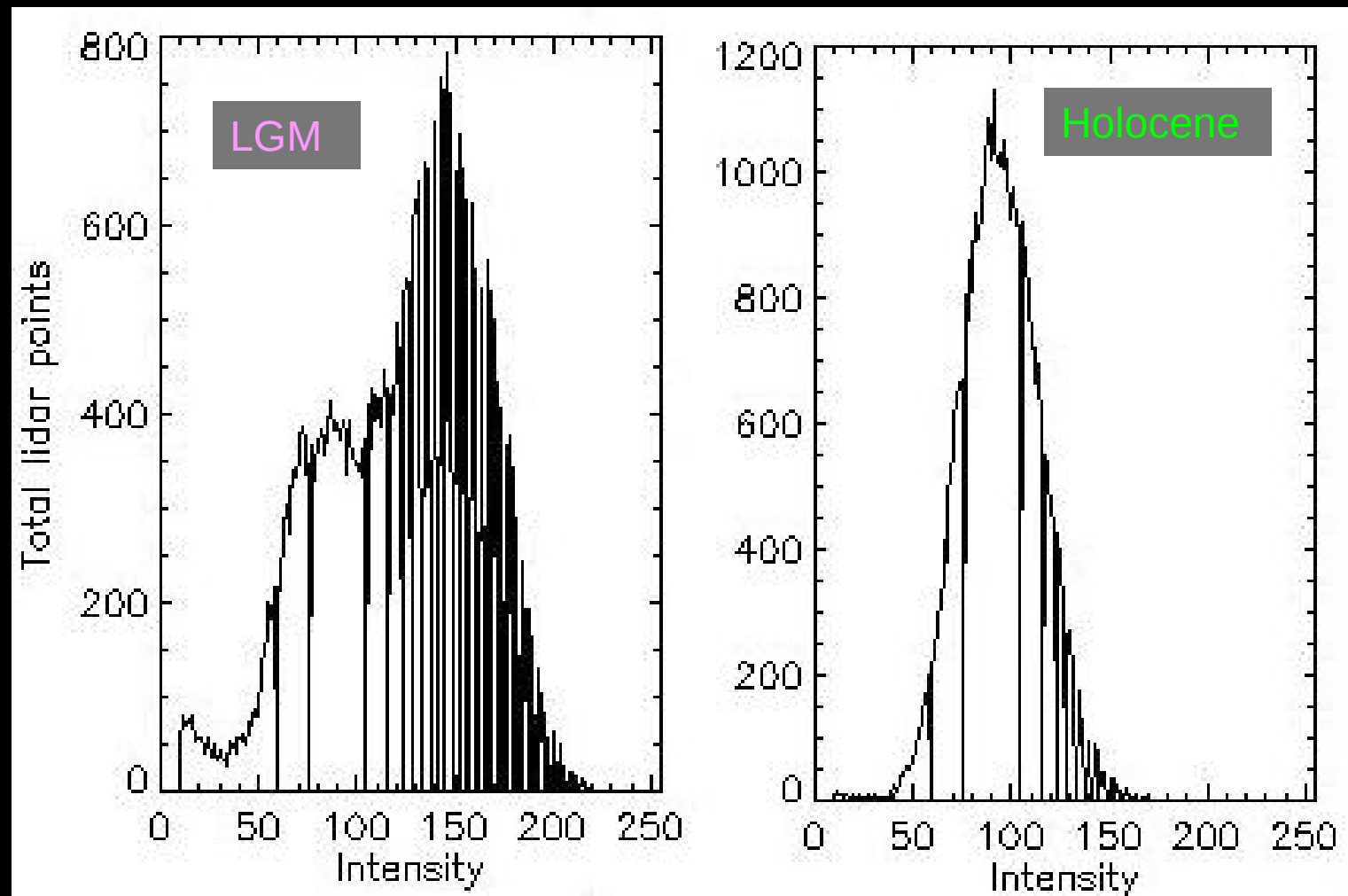
(a) oblique photo (March 2011);

(b) LiDAR DTM;

(c) minimum LiDAR intensity;

(d) maximum LiDAR intensity.

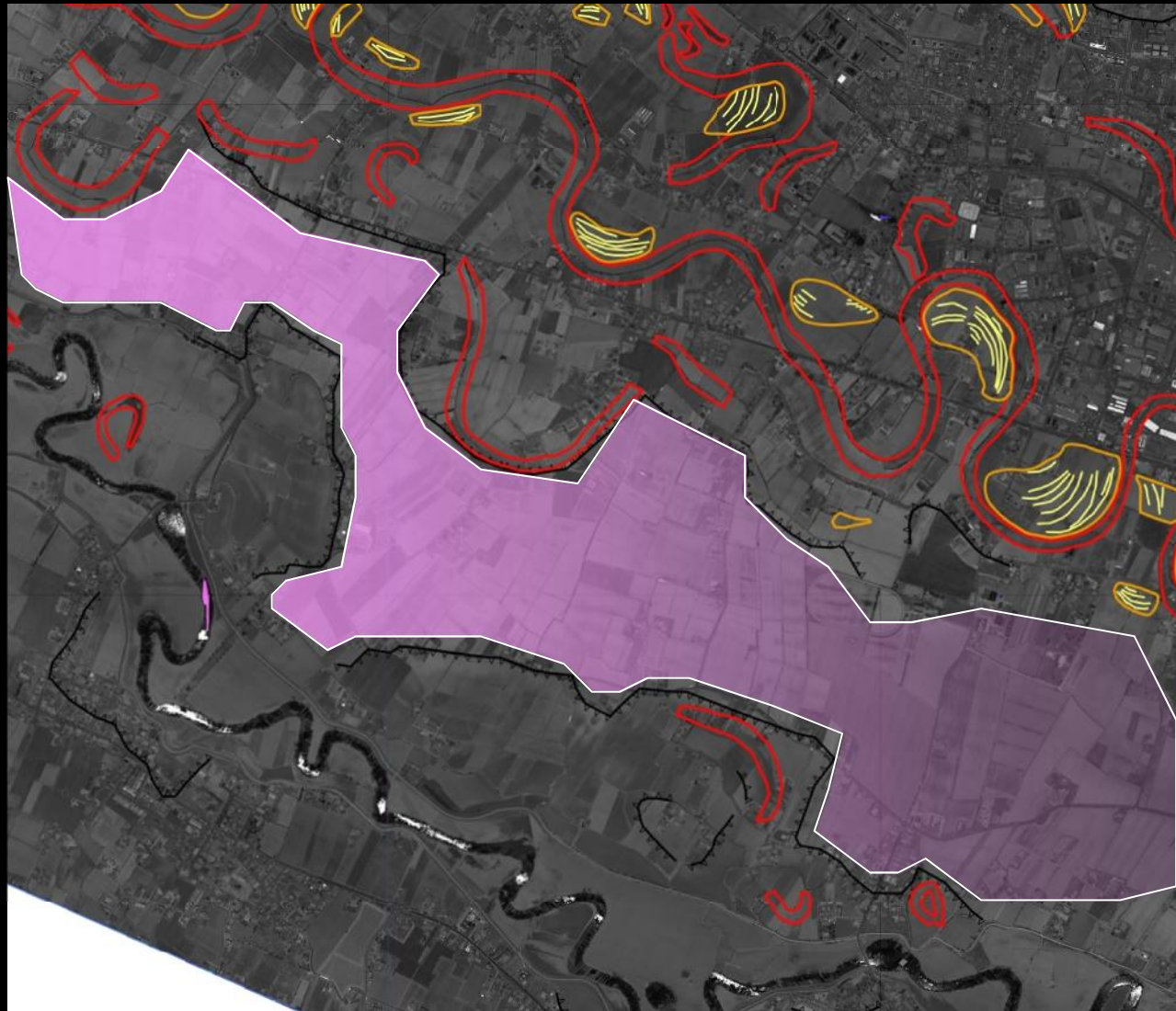
Some morphologies have shown specific reflectance in the laser “intensity”



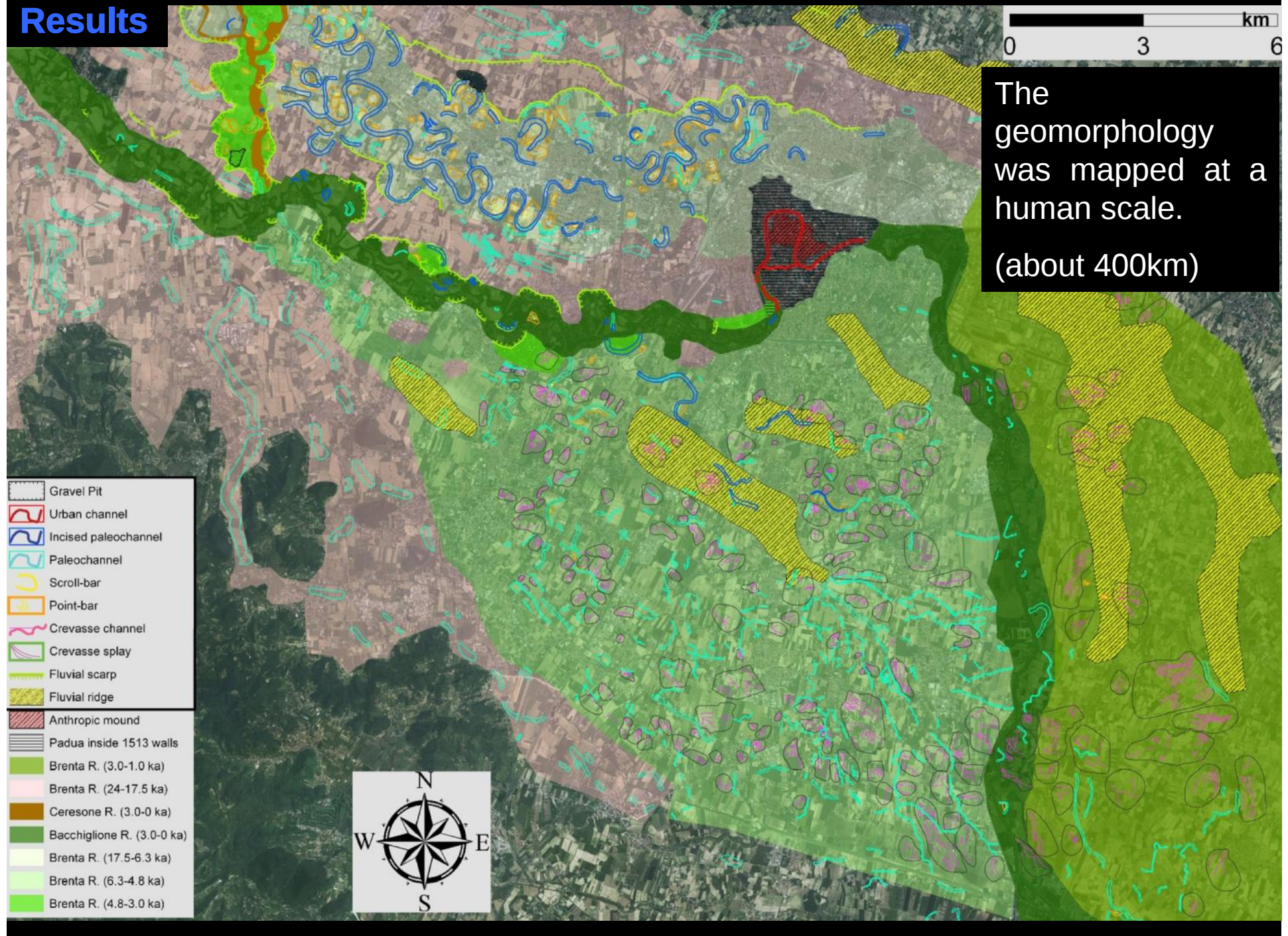
Point cloud frequency on two test areas on the left (LGM) soils with argillic and calcic horizons, on the right Holocene.

Intensity helps to map LGM Interfluves

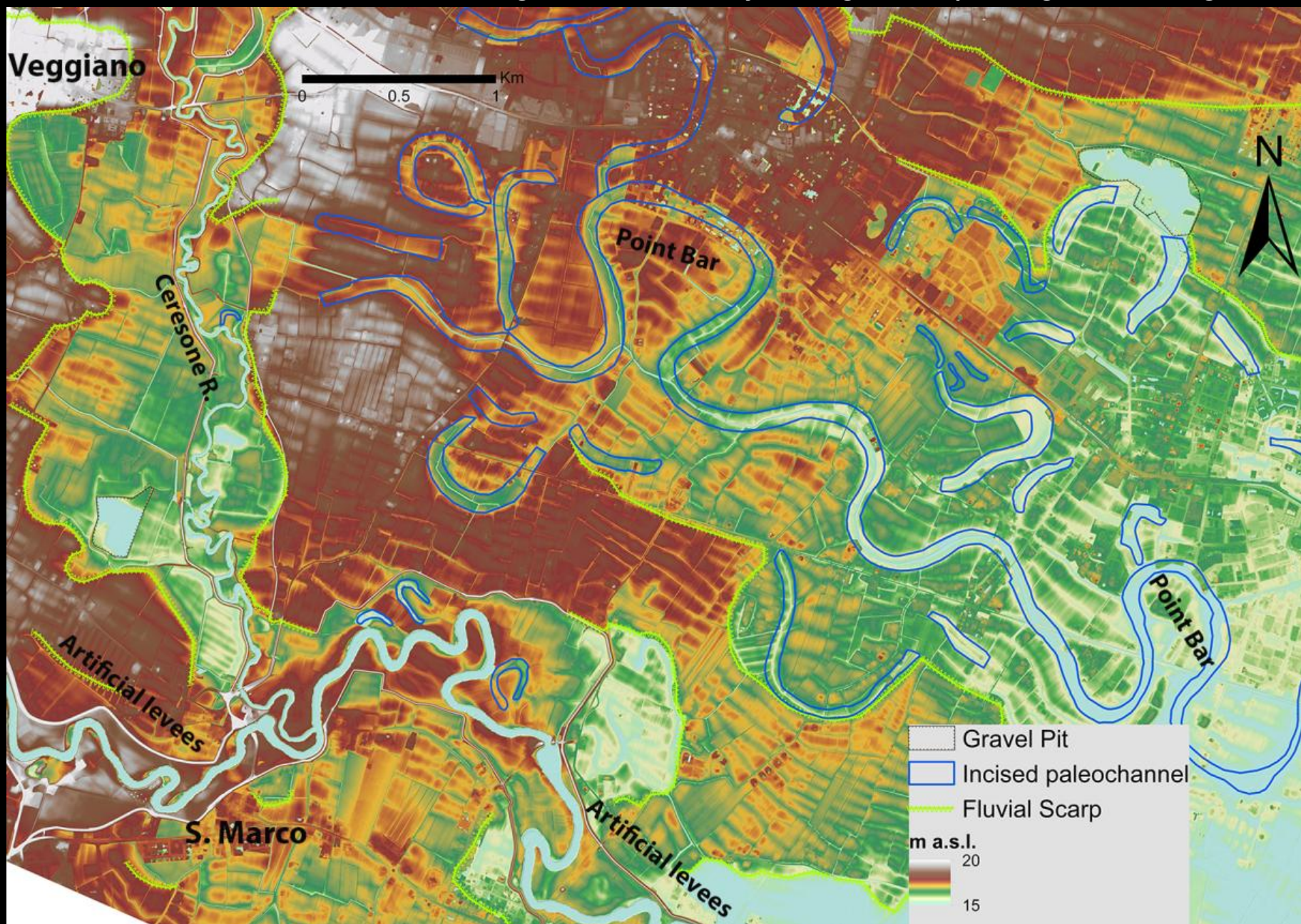
Maximum Intensity:
defined as the max
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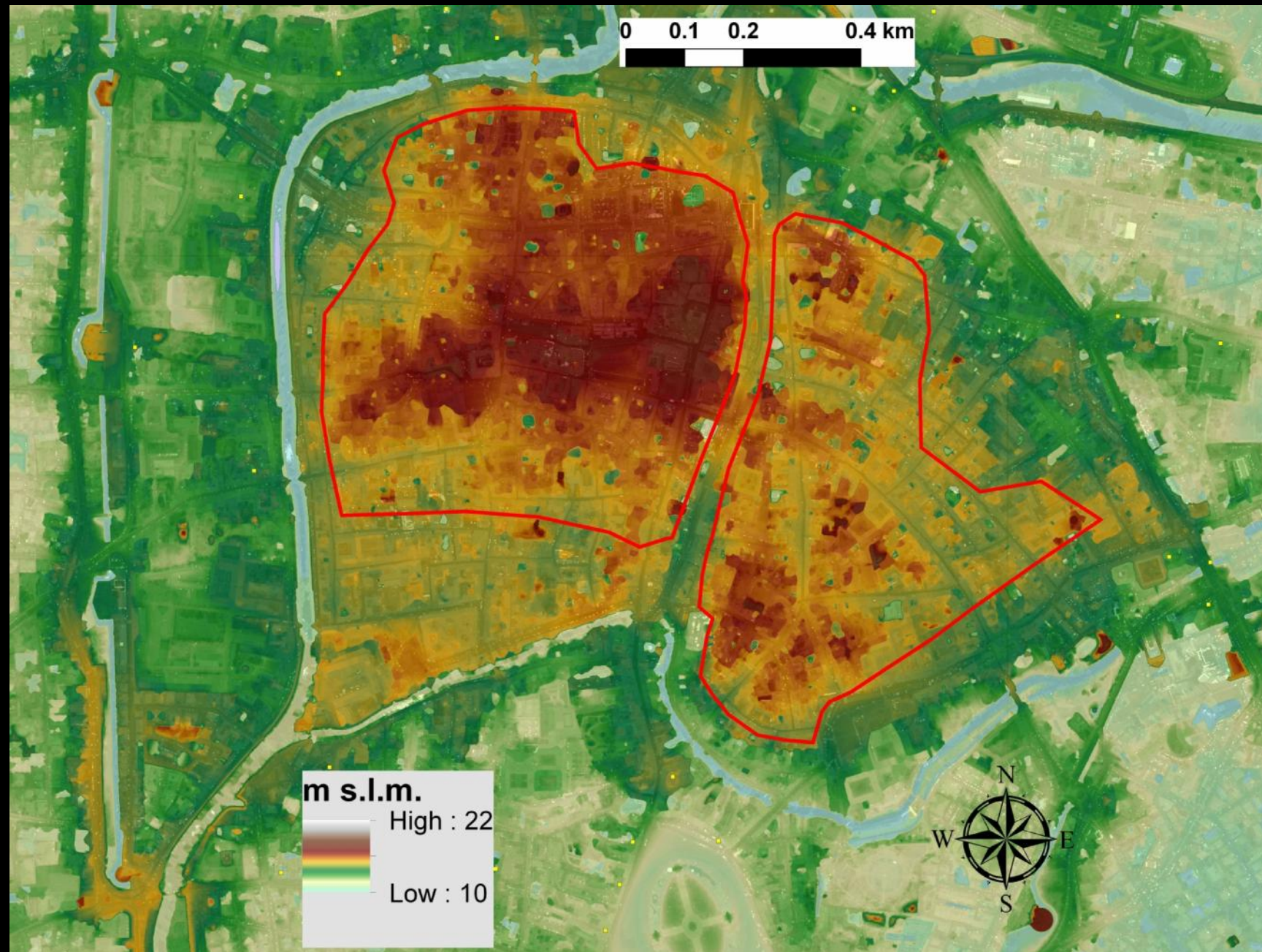
Results



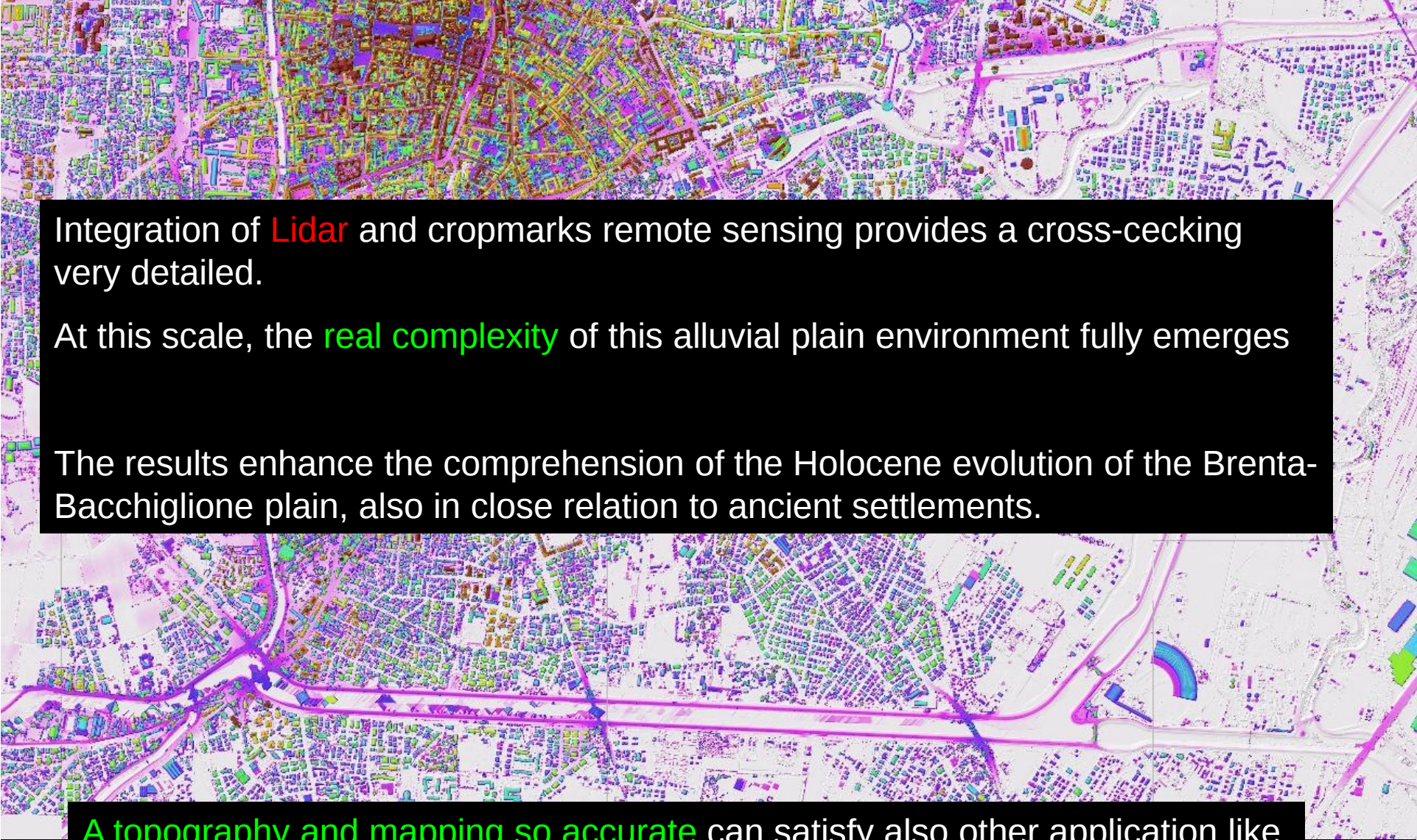
Flood threat linked to bacchiglione R. activity and geomorphological setting



Applicazioni per la mappatura geoarcheologica/archeologia preventiva.



Conclusion

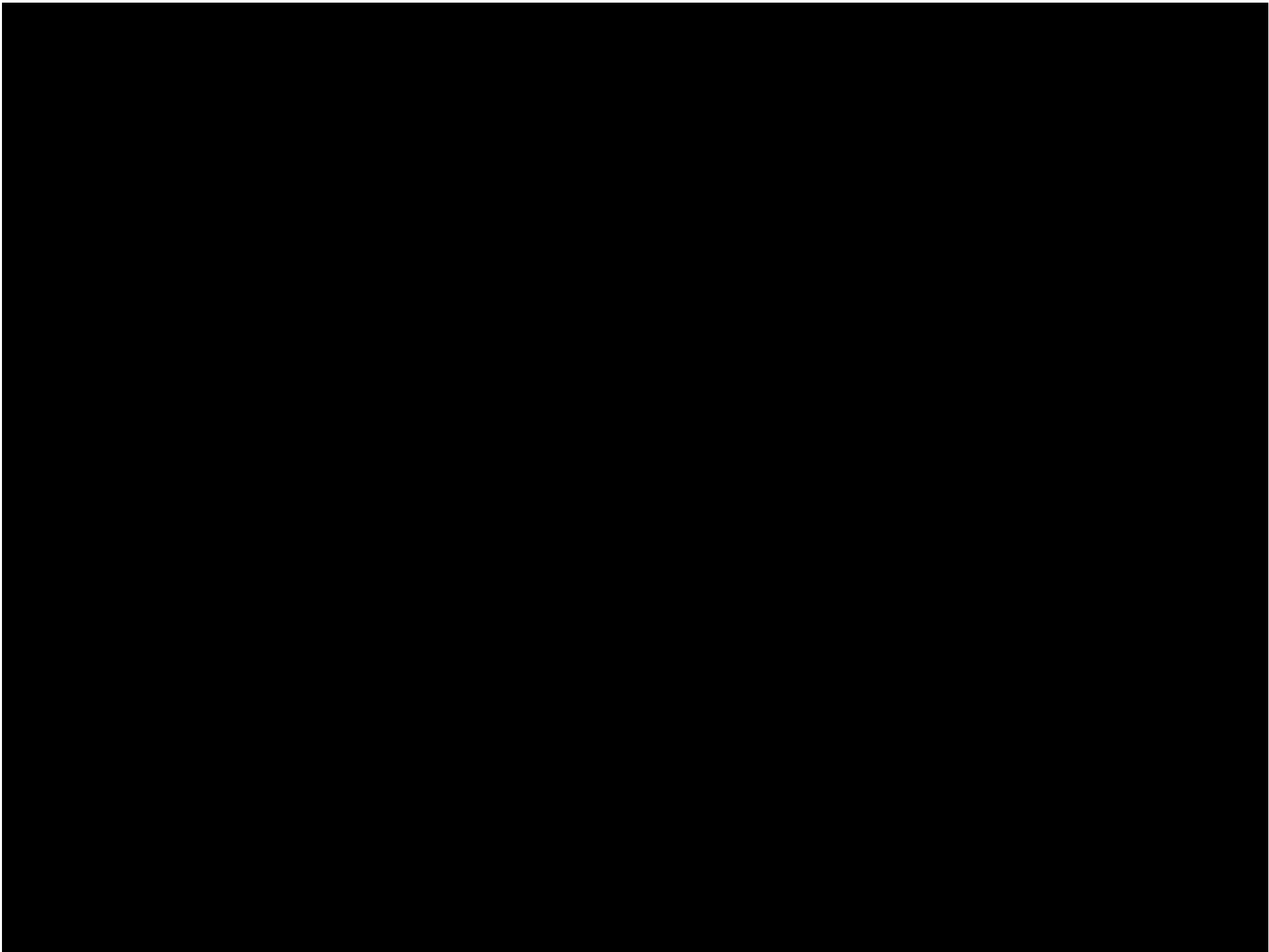


Integration of **Lidar** and cropmarks remote sensing provides a cross-checking very detailed.

At this scale, the **real complexity** of this alluvial plain environment fully emerges

The results enhance the comprehension of the Holocene evolution of the Brenta-Bacchiglione plain, also in close relation to ancient settlements.

A **topography and mapping so accurate** can satisfy also other application like **the flood risk**, the infrastructures planning, microismic zonation etc.



DSGSD geomorphometry. The case of Schlinig valley (Eastern Alps)



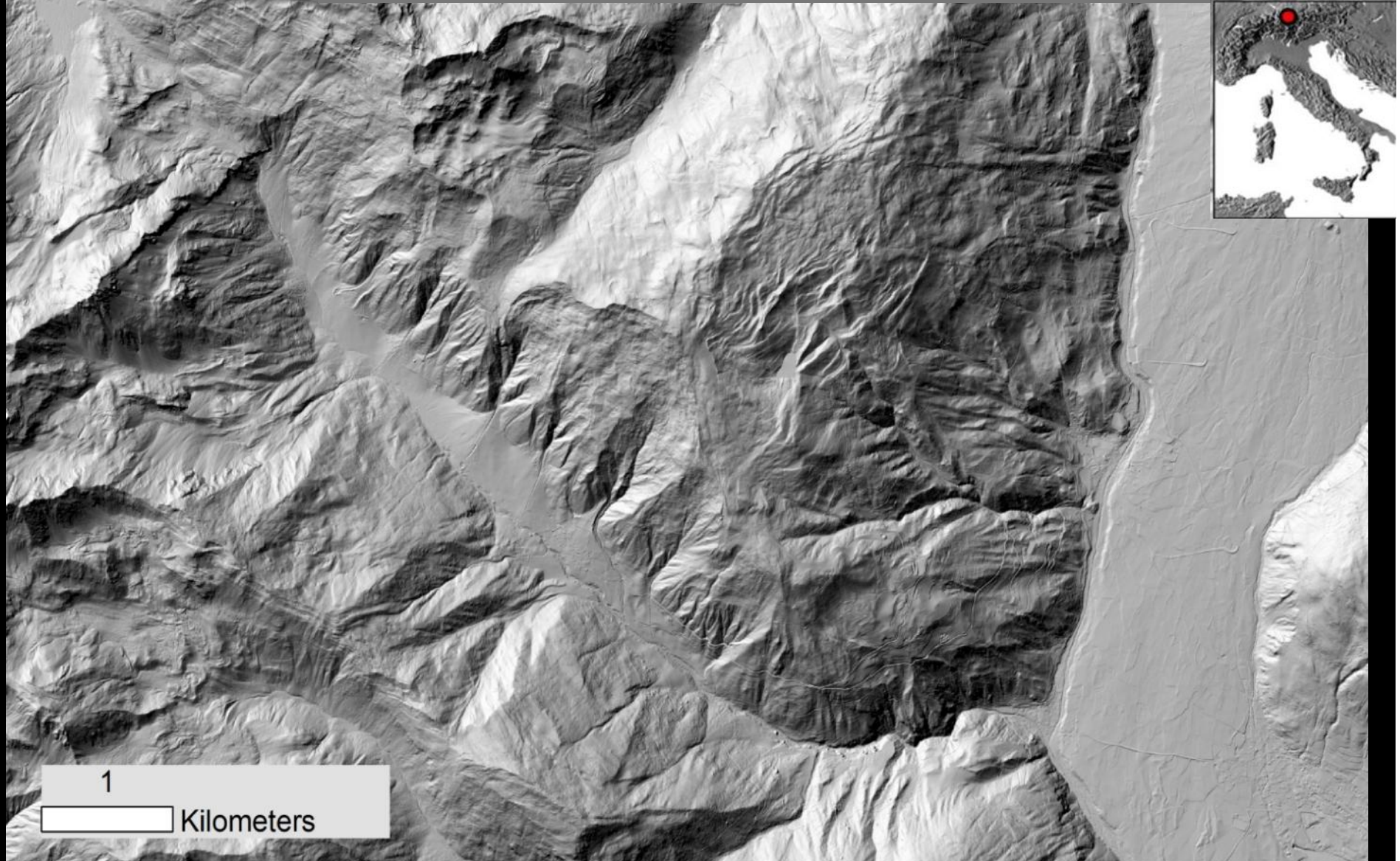
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Introduction

- DSGSDs may occur on all rock types although are more common on **highly foliated metamorphic lithologies** (Agliardi et al., 2009).
- DSGSDs are characterized by specific landforms, the most distinctive ones being **double ridges, scarps, counterscarps, trenches** (Zischinsky 1966, 1969; Ter-Stepanian 1966; Beck 1968; Agliardi et al. 2001)
- These **morphostructures** can be classified in between landslides and tectonic landforms (Persaud & Pfiffner 2004; Ustaszewski et al. 2008).

Hillsade (315)

We focused on the Schlinig valley (Eastern Alps, South Tyrol) because it is affected by numerous DSGSDs types, evolving on various lithologies, which are in tectonic contact along a major alpine fault



Aims

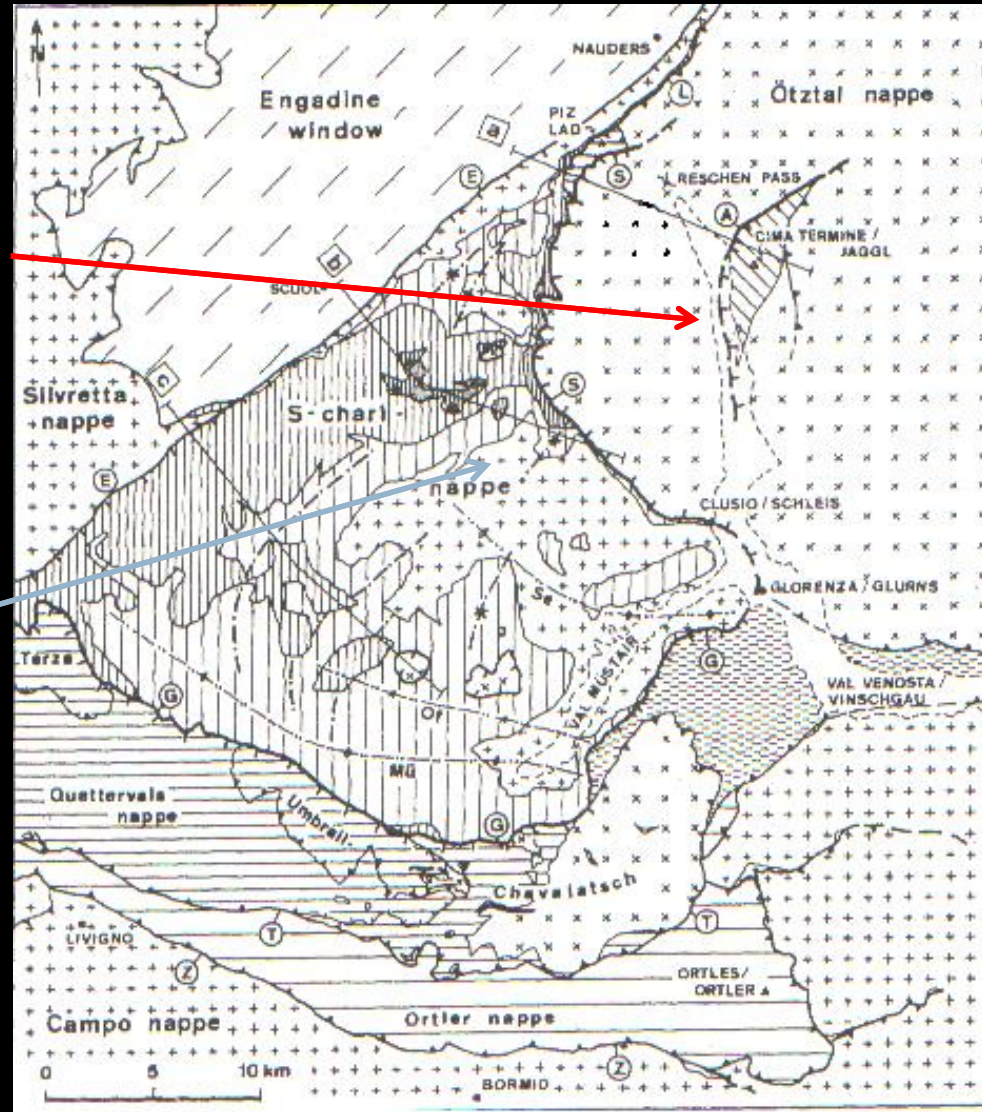
- Geological, structural and morphometrical characterization of the Slingia valley
- Geomorphometry of DSGDs **diagnostic landforms** (morphostructures)
- To propose a methodology that can improve the DSGSDs geomorphological identification and mapping.
- Contribute to a more objective identification of DSGSDs phenomena

Sovrapposizione di due falde di ricoprimento austroalpine:
FALDA DELL'OTZTAL e FALDA DI S-CHARL

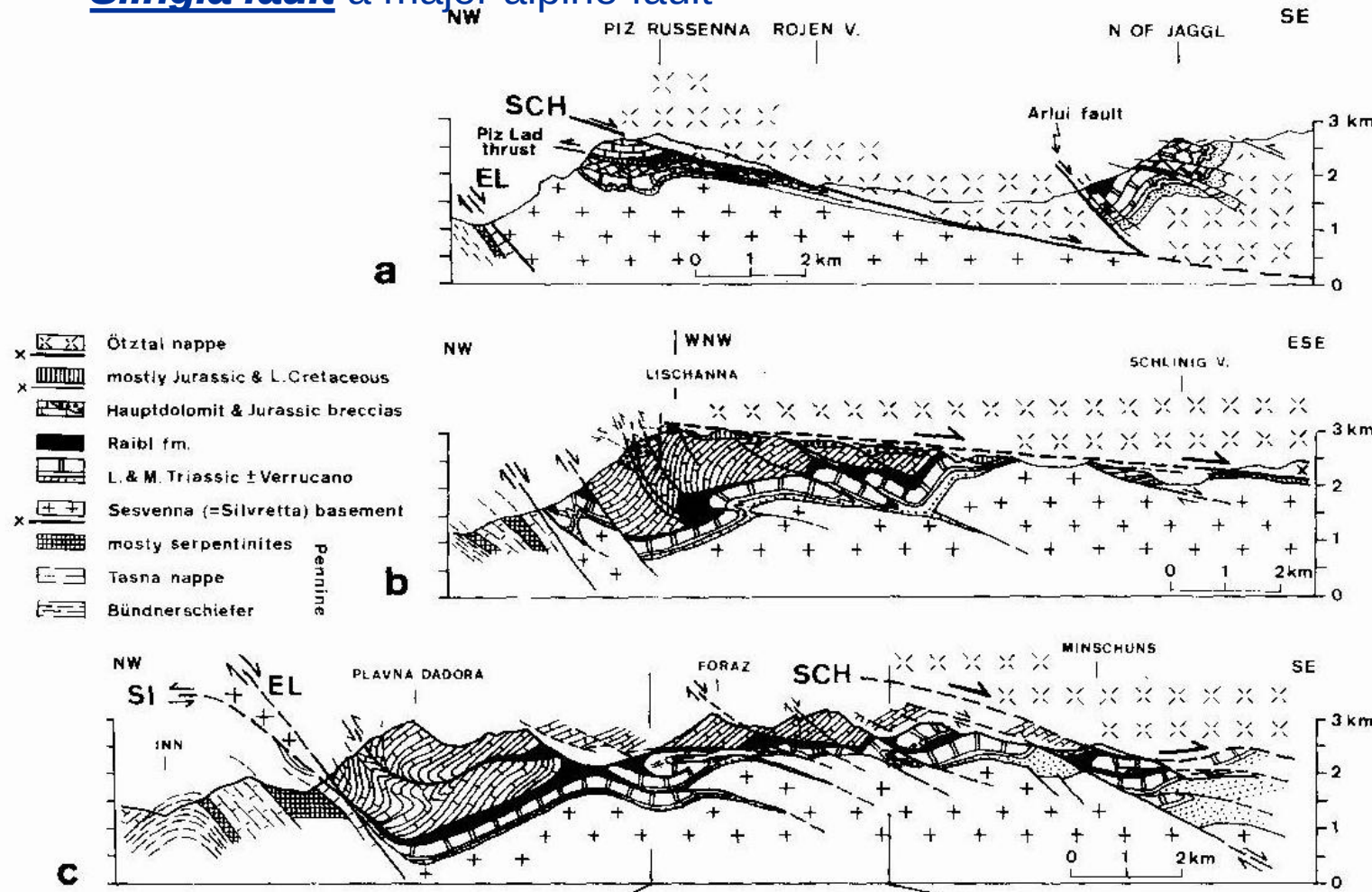
Falda dell'Otztal-Silvretta: elemento più elevato rappresentato dal basamento cristallino

Falda di S-charl-Umbrail: elemento tettonico sottostante identificato da basamento cristallino e copertura permo-mesozoica

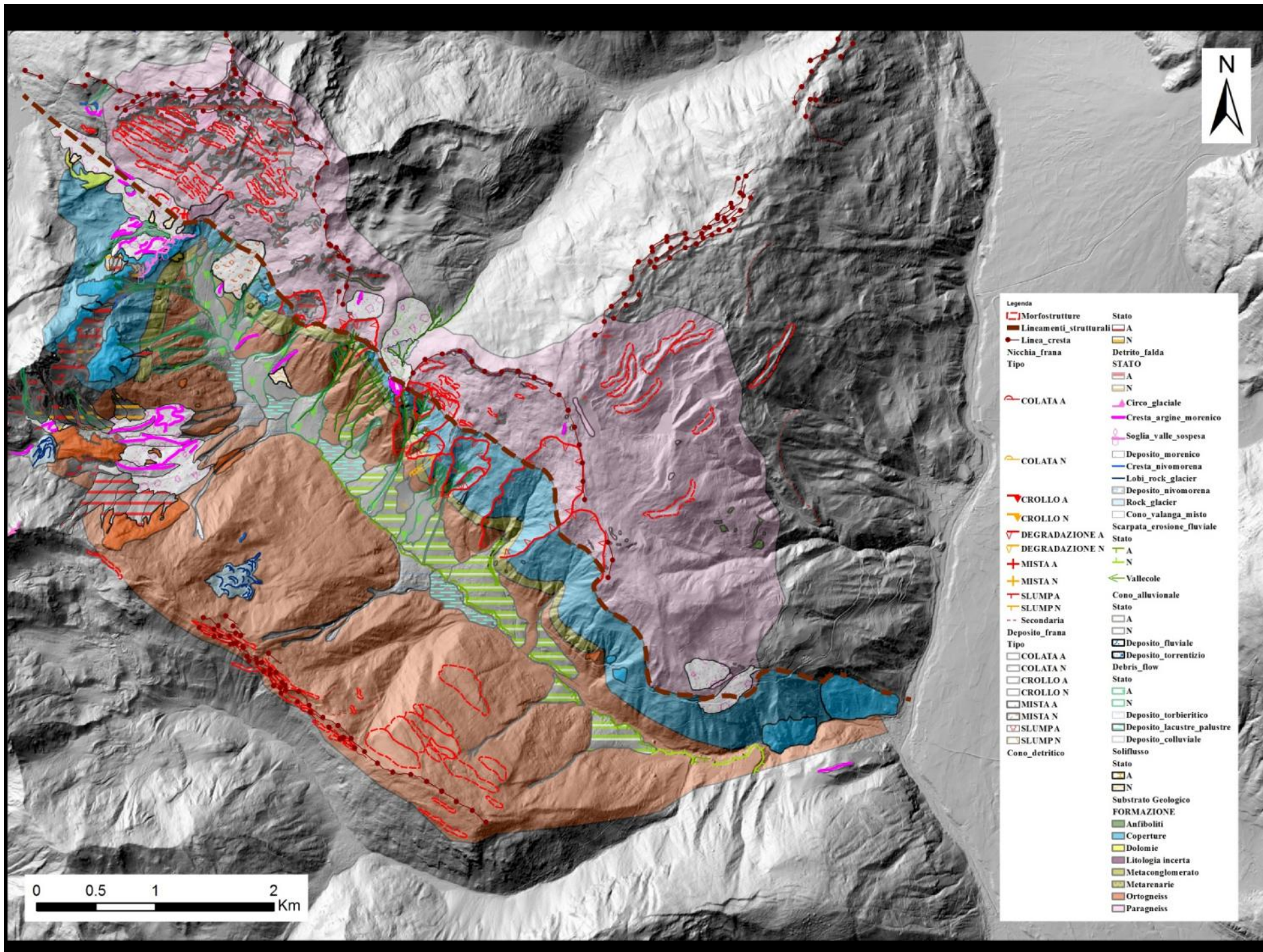
Basamenti polimetamorfici che hanno subito metamorfismo di età Varisica (facies anfibolitica) e Alpino (facies scisti verdi)

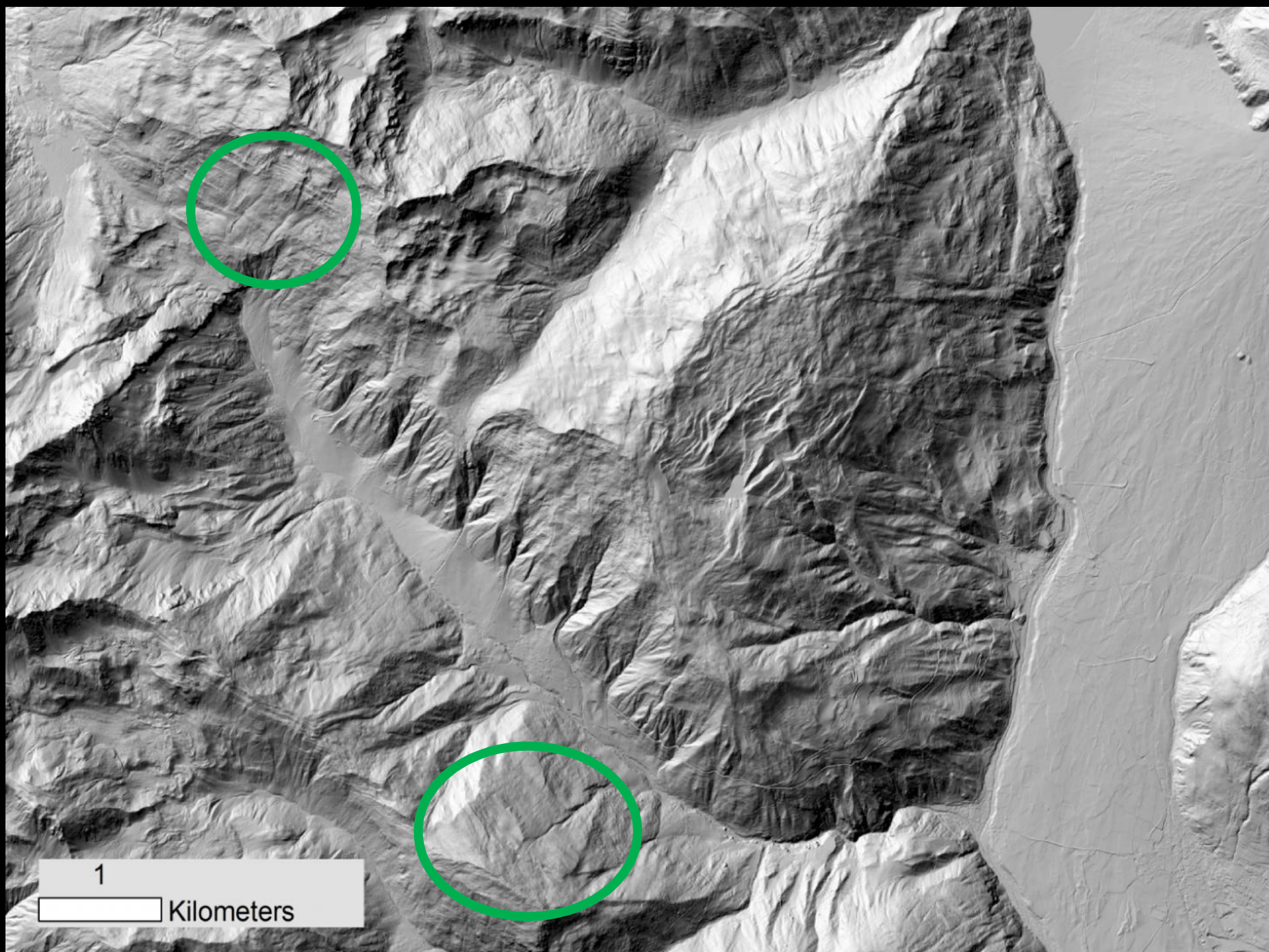


Slingia fault a major alpine fault

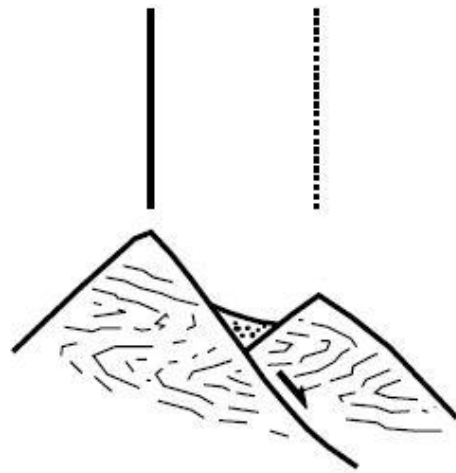


- Faglia a basso angolo (10-15°) immergente a ENE; è il limite tettonico tra le 2 falde austroalpine
- Zona di shear duttile associata a trasporto verso Ovest della Falda dell'Otztal (Schmid & Haas, 1989)
- Riattivata come faglia trassensiva nel tardo Cretaceo (Froitzheim et al., 1997) e nuovamente in compressione nel terziario

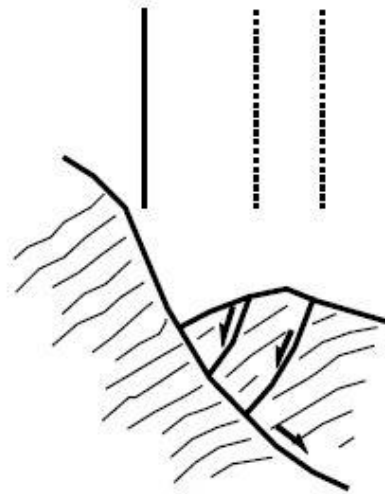




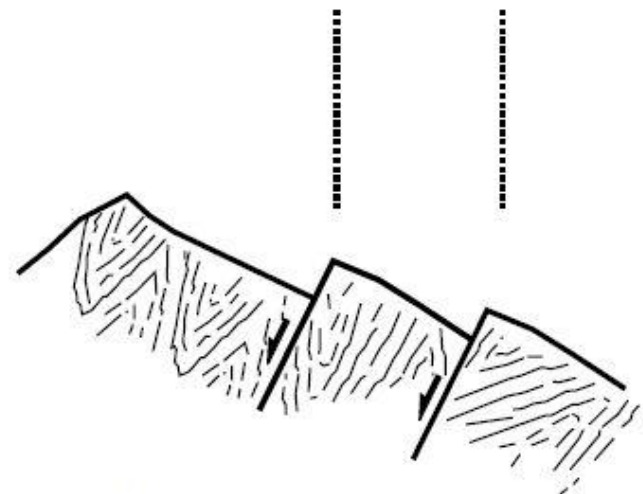
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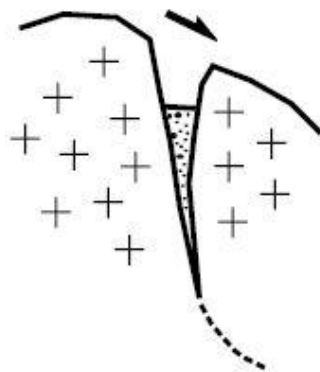
Doubled ridges
DR



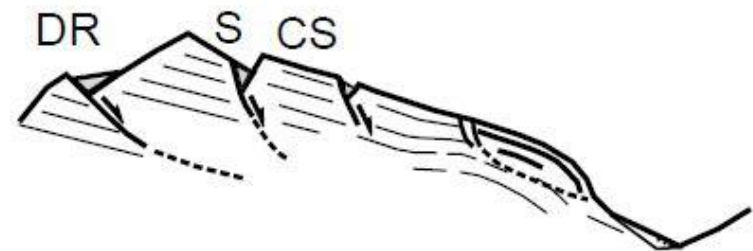
Scarps
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Counterscarps
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Trenches



Bulging &
large landslides

(Agliardi et al. 2001)

Double ridges



Scarps and trench

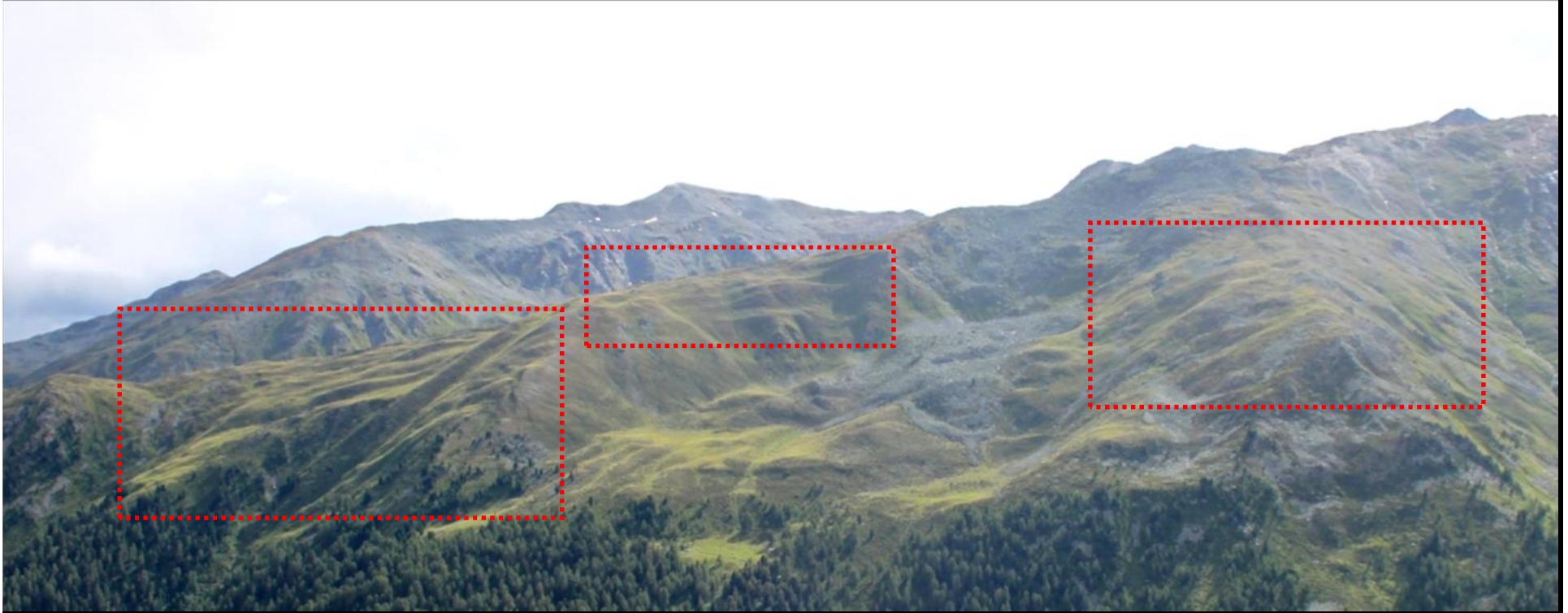




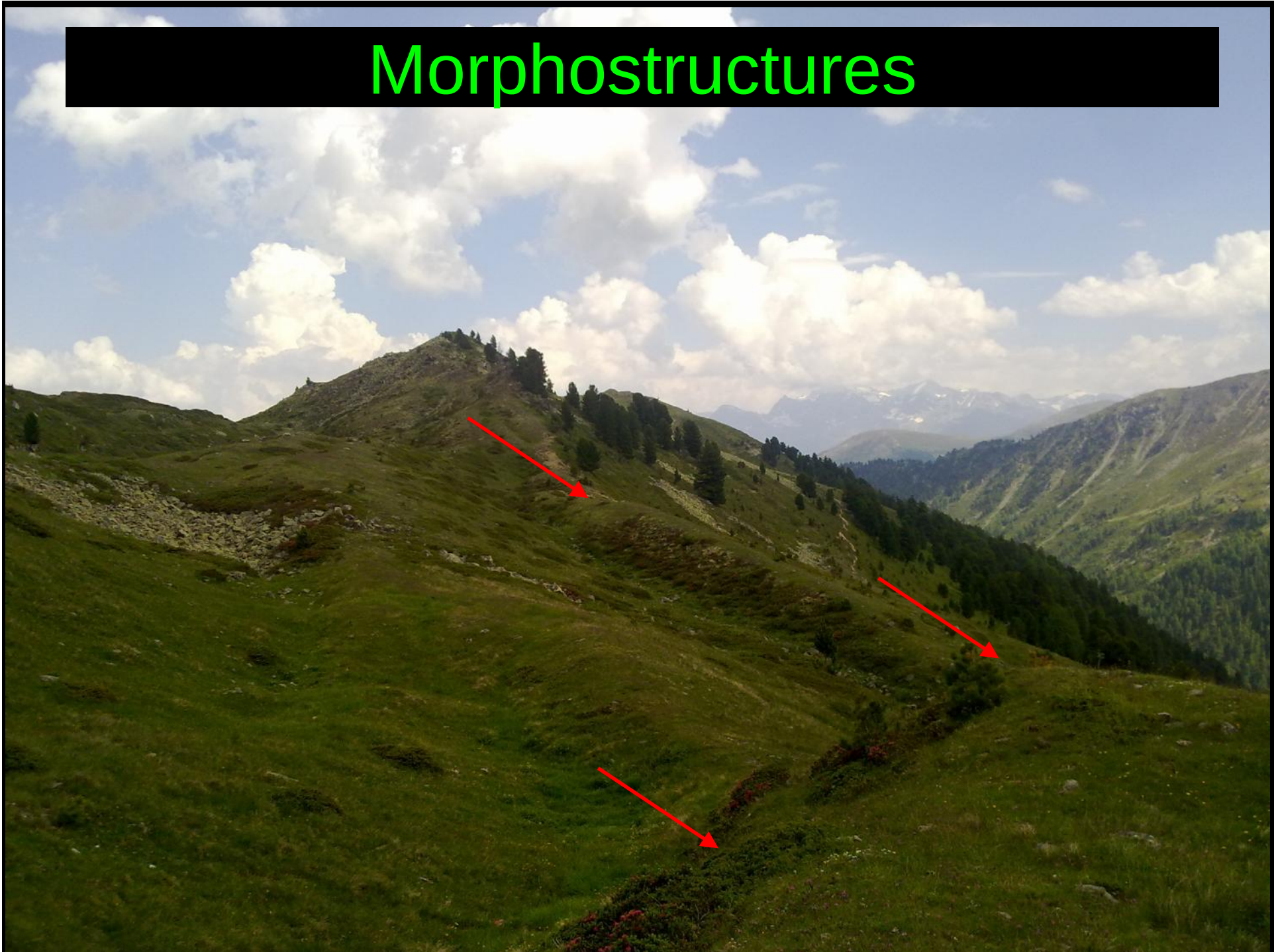
Counterscarps or antislope scarps



Morphostructures

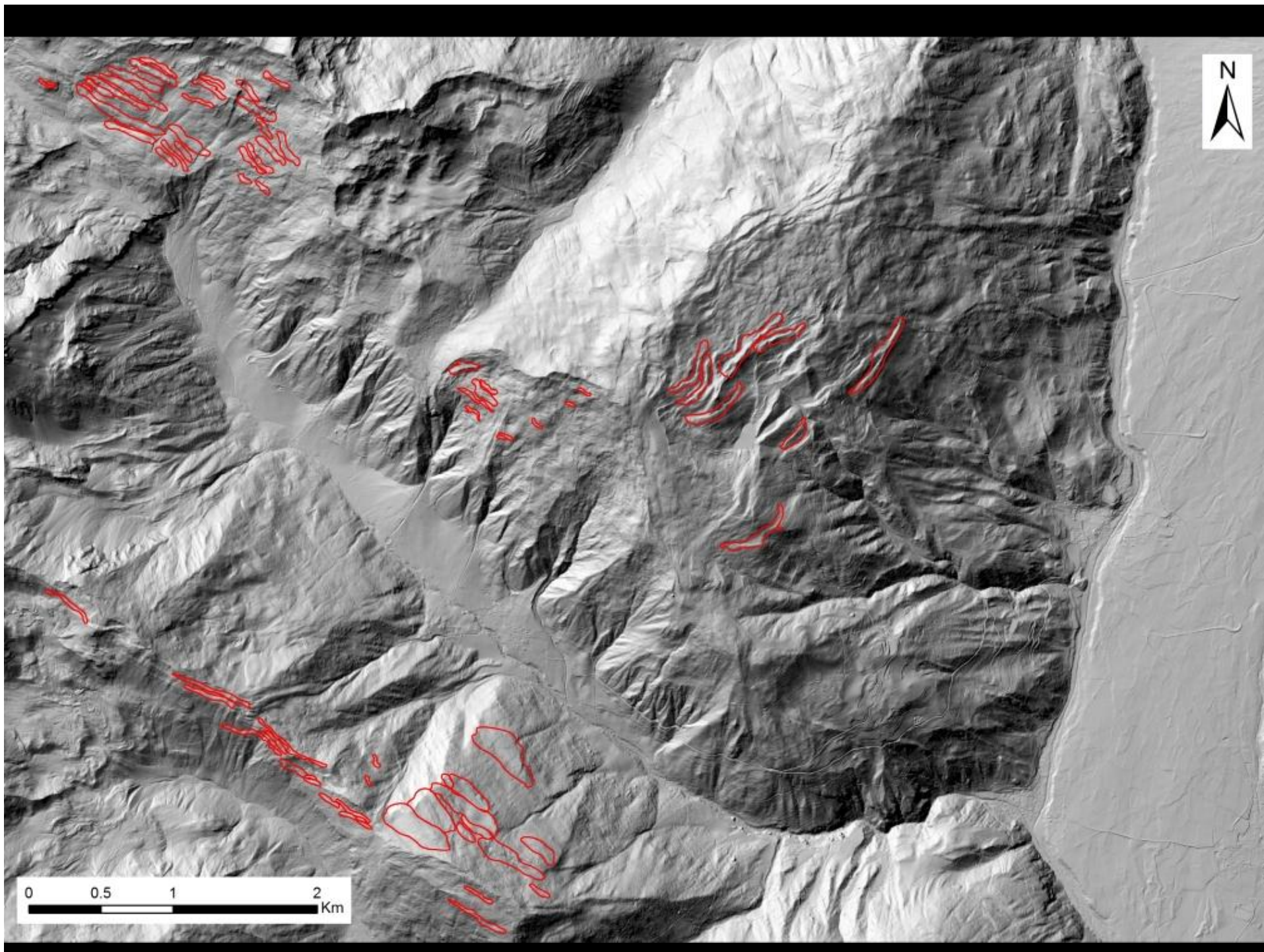


Morphostructures

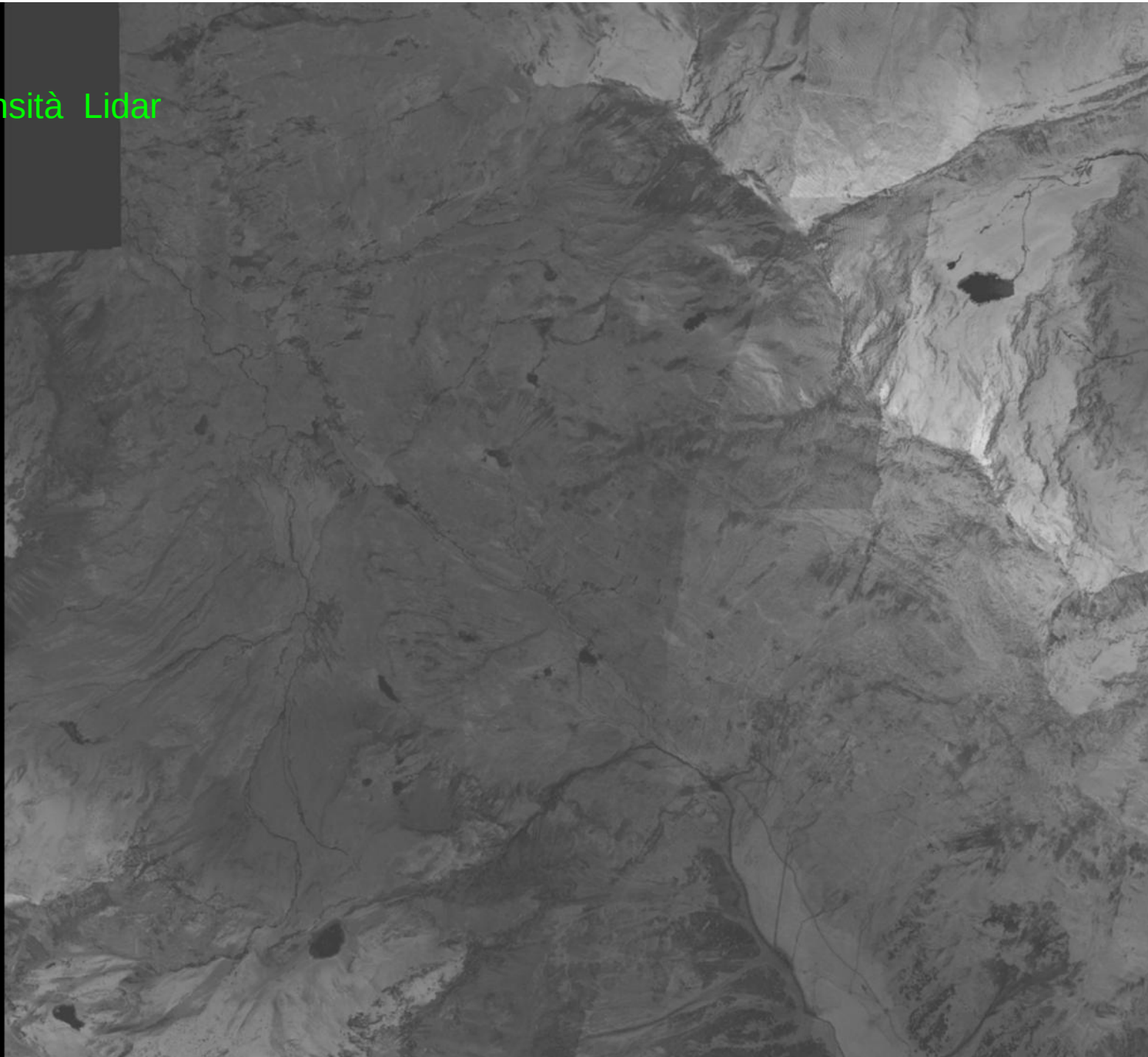


- The counterscarps, in the study area, present some specific characteristics: they are wide (20 – 70 m), long (100 – 700 m), with a mean surface of 11438 m² and an average direction perpendicular to the maximum slope.
- Their morphometry is characterized by a half concave profile that changes to convex through an intermediate low gradient area.
- The middle sectors of the counterscarps are the only “flat areas” (gradient < 9°) in the DSGSD and can be easily recognized through a slope classification.





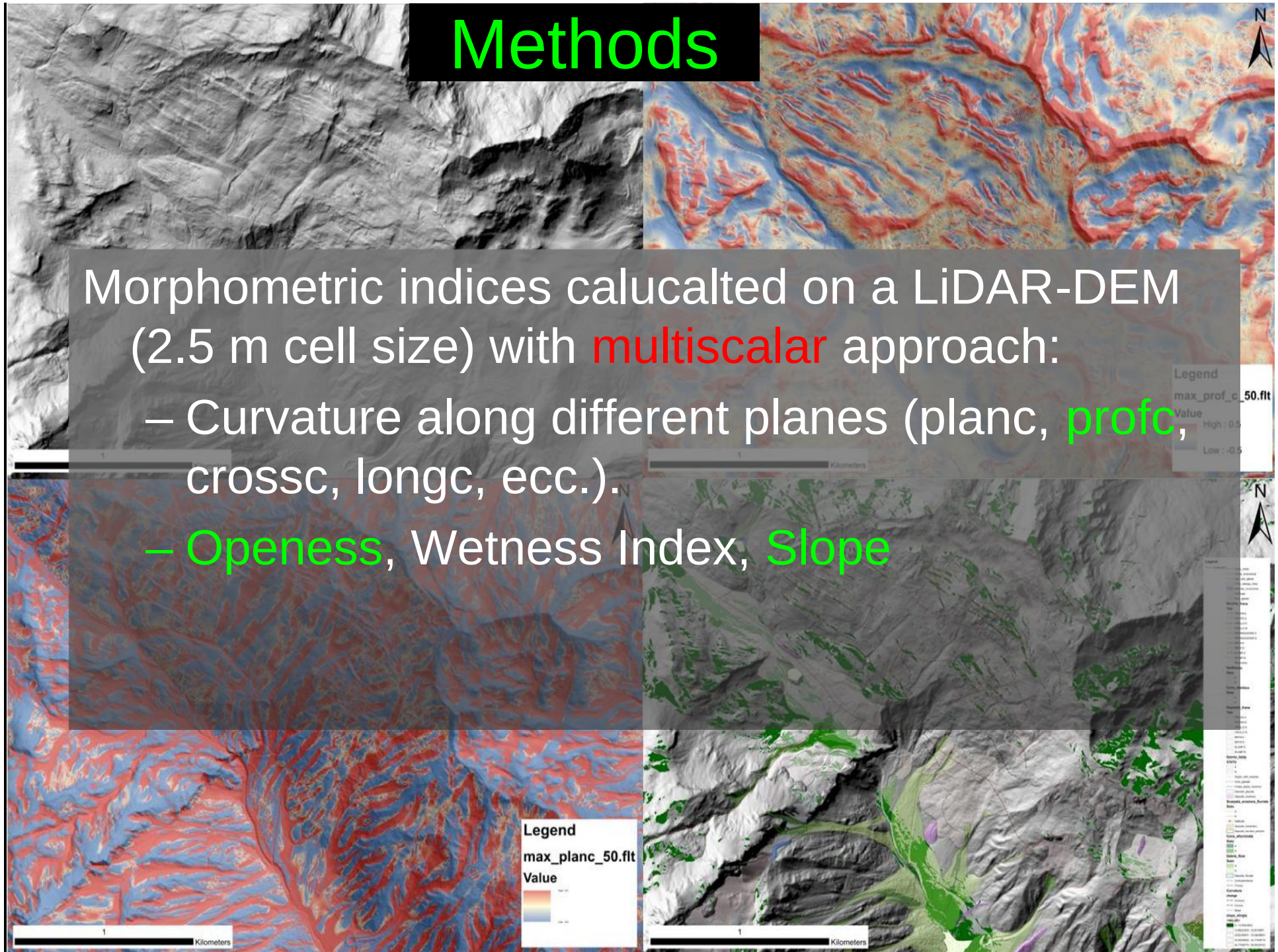
Intensità Lidar



Methods

Morphometric indices calculated on a LiDAR-DEM (2.5 m cell size) with **multiscalar** approach:

- Curvature along different planes (planc, **profc**, crossc, longc, ecc.).
- **Openness**, Wetness Index, **Slope**



Calcolo delle derivate morfometriche

La superficie continua di un DEM può essere approssimata e rappresentata analiticamente da una funzione polinomiale di secondo grado

$$z=ax^2+by^2+cxy+dx+ey+f$$

Evans (1972, 1980); Wood (1996)

slope: pendenza

$$=\arctan(d^2+e^2)^{0.5}$$

aspect: esposizione

$$=\arctan(d/e)$$

profile convexity (*profc*): il grado di variazione della convessità calcolata intersecando il piano dell'asse z e la direzione dell'aspect;

$$=(ad^2+ae^2+cde)/(d^2+e^2)(1+d^2+e^2)^{1.5}$$

plan convexity (*planc*): il grado di variazione della convessità calcolata intersecando il piano xy

$$=(bd^2+ae^2-cde)/(d^2+e^2)^{1.5}$$

longitudinal curvature (*longc*): il grado di variazione della curvatura calcolata intersecando il piano normale alla pendenza e alla direzione dell'aspect;

$$=(ad^2+be^2+cde)/(d^2+e^2)$$

cross-sectional curvature (*crosc*): il grado di variazione della curvatura calcolata nell'intersezione tra il piano di massima pendenza e il piano perpendicolare all'aspect;

$$=(bd^2+ae^2-cde)/(d^2+e^2)$$

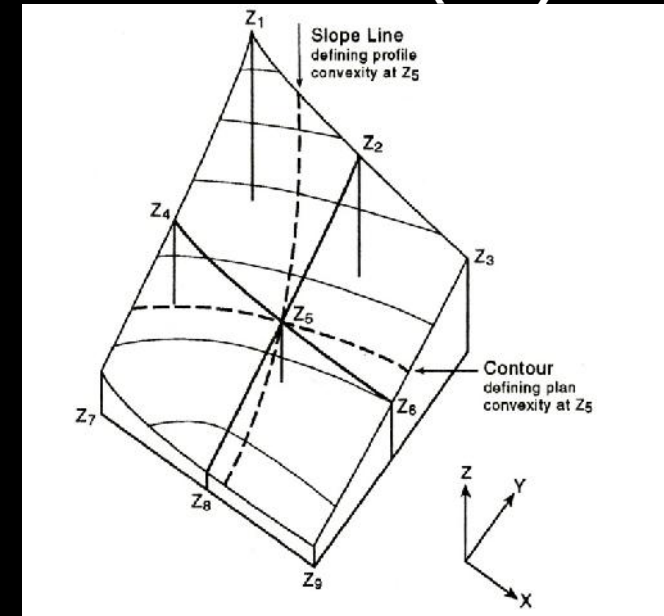
minimum curvature (*minc*): il valore minimo di curvatura calcolato in ogni piano;

$$=(-a-b)-((a-b)^2+c^2)^{0.5}$$

maximum curvature (*maxc*): il valore massimo di curvatura calcolato in ogni piano

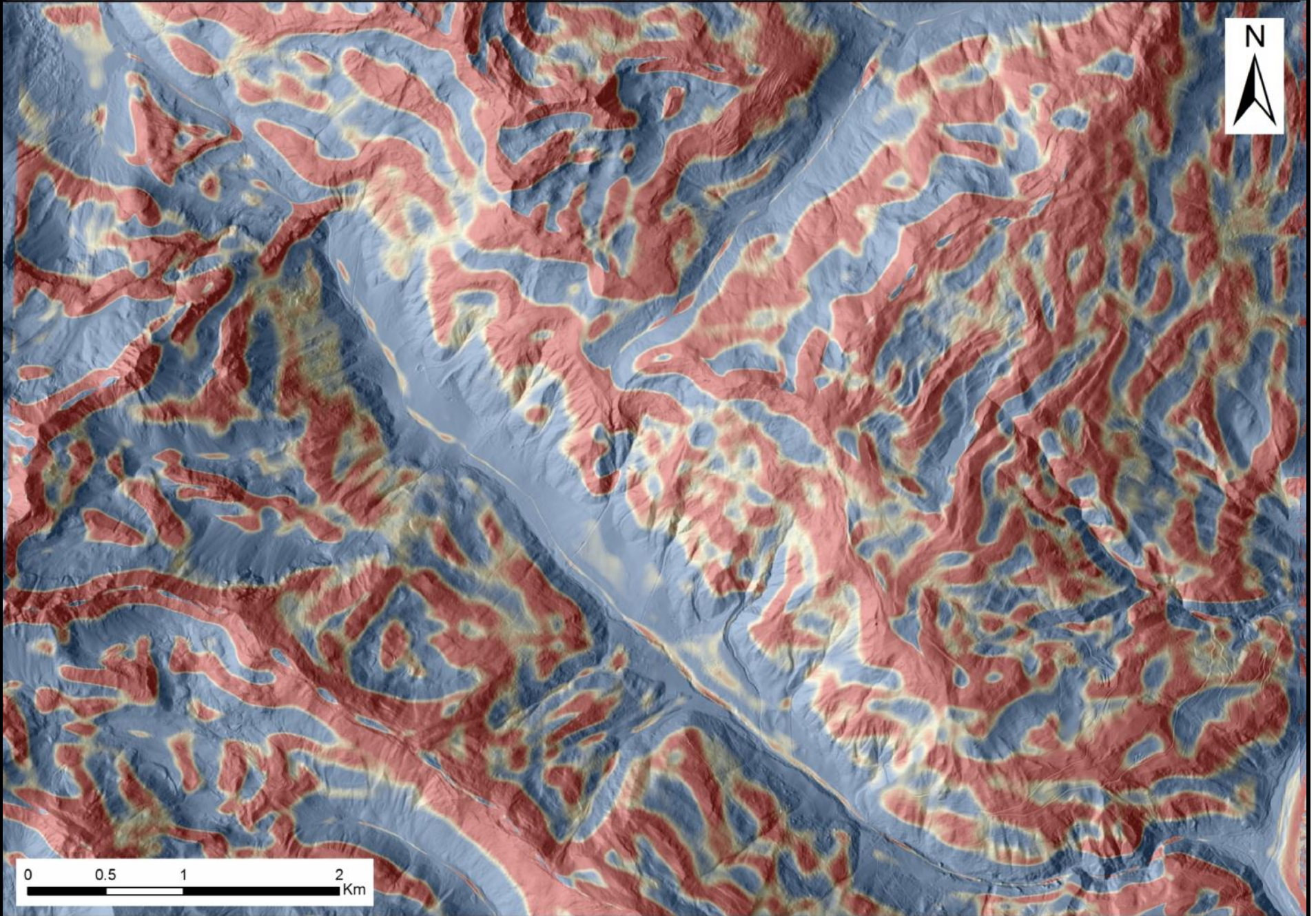
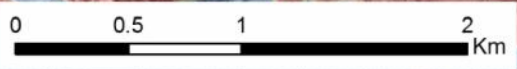
$$=(-a-b)+((a-b)^2+c^2)^{0.5}$$

da Evans (1998)

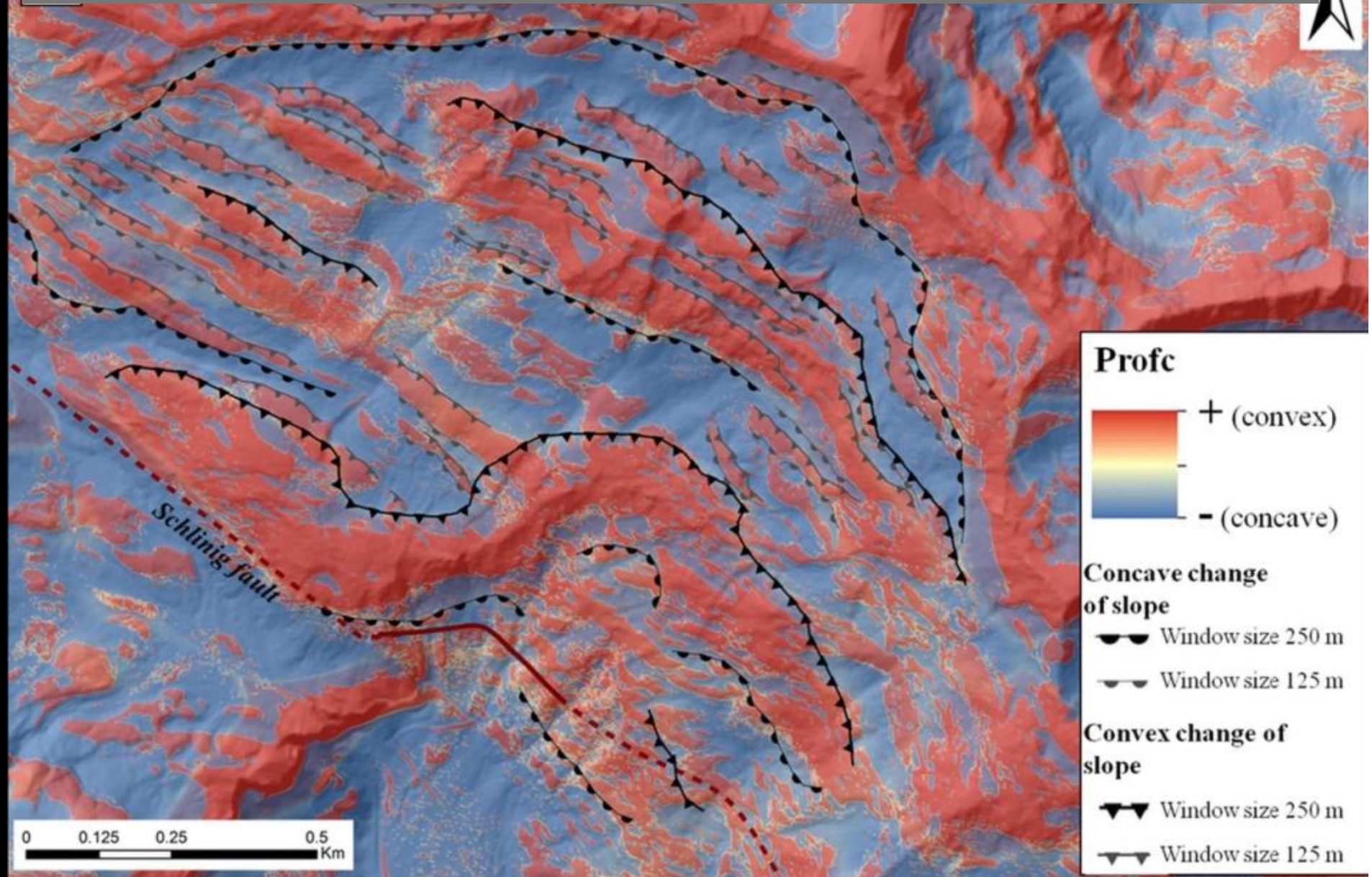


Multiscalar Approach

- The multi scalar approach of Wood (1996), varying the *kernel* window size of the analysis results very appropriate.
- This morphometric variable, calculated with a *kernel* window size of 125 m, results the more appropriate to identify the specific landforms related to DSGSDs. *Profc*, calculated with a window size of 250 m, is useful to map the DSGSDs main sectors (double ridge and concave upslope area, bulging, etc.) and avoid the misinterpretation of DTM errors.

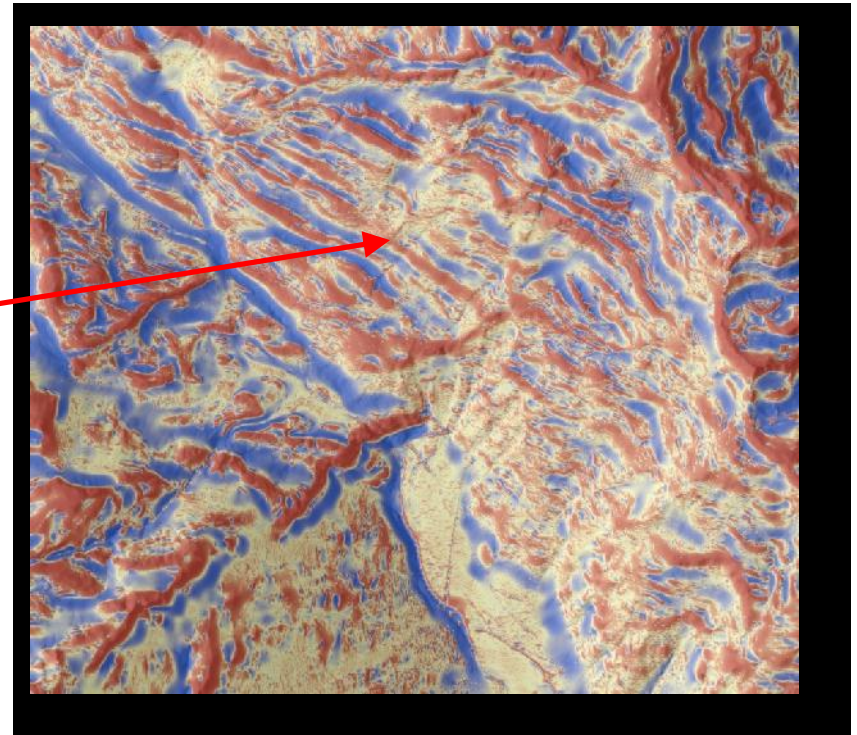
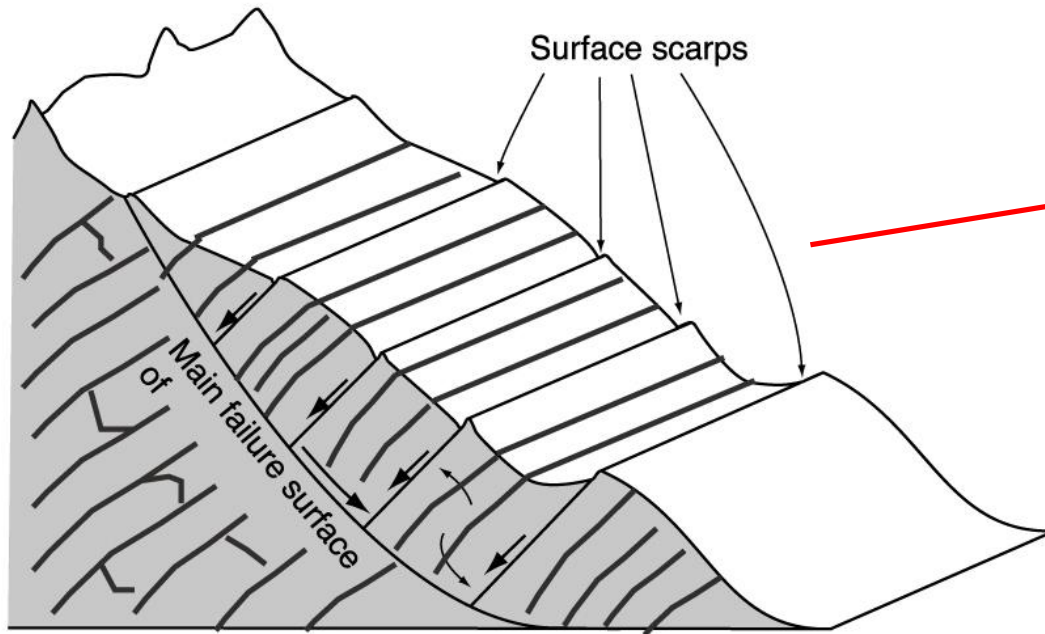


Profc results the more appropriate to individuate and map DSGSDs morphostructures, because is very sensitive to the gravitational processes acting along the maximum slope profile.



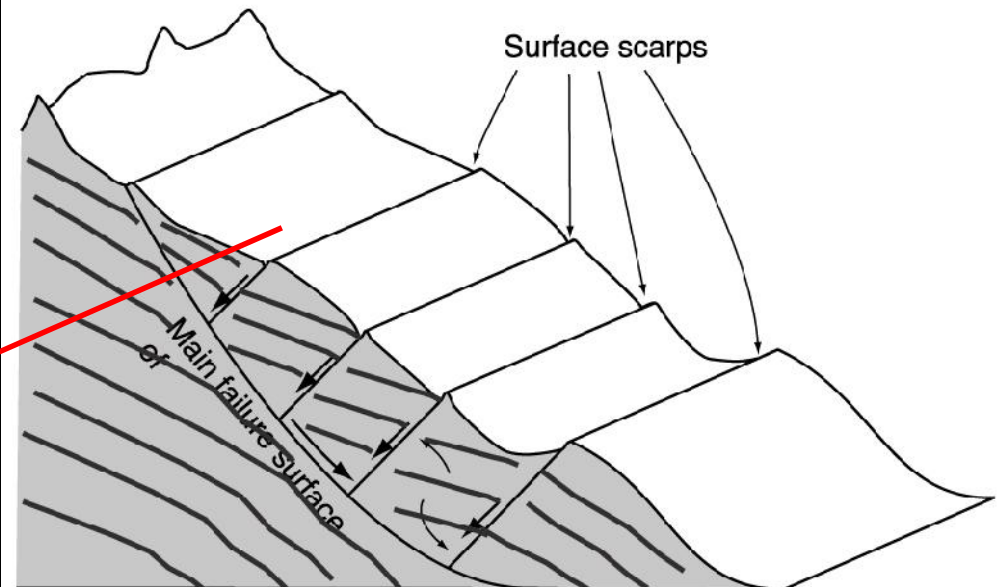
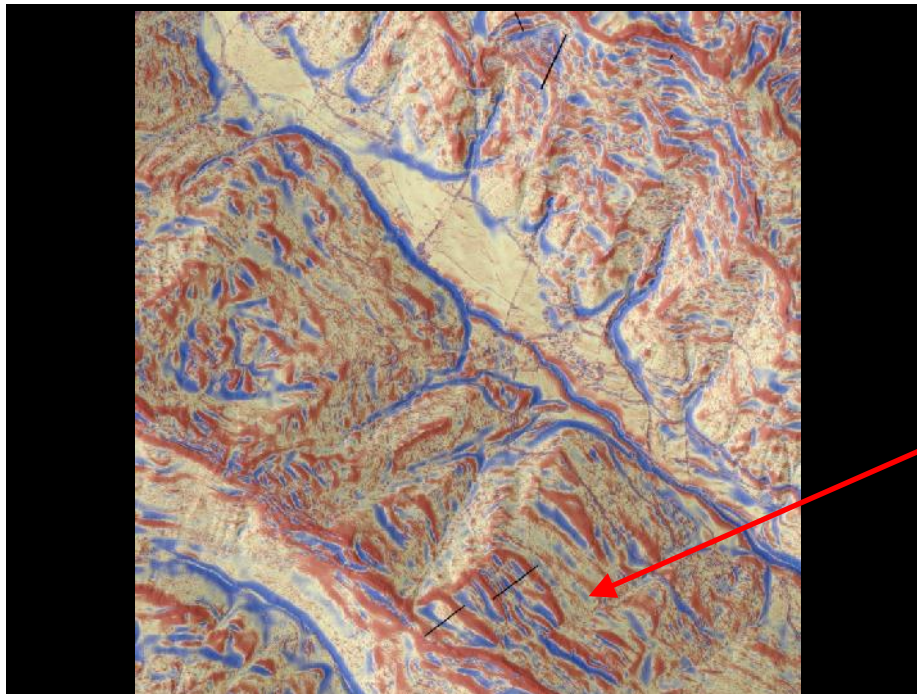
A

Persaud & Pfiffner (2004) modified



B

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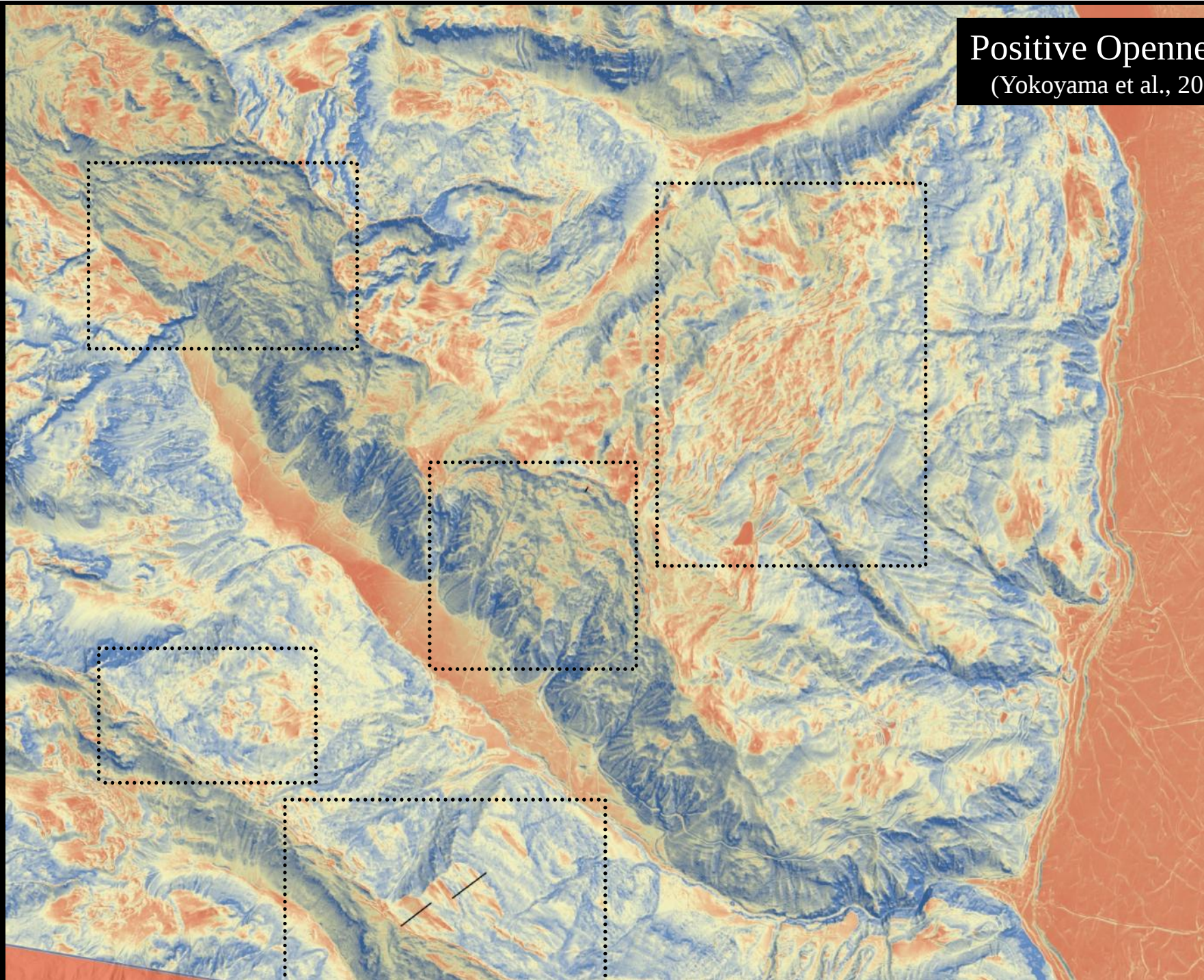
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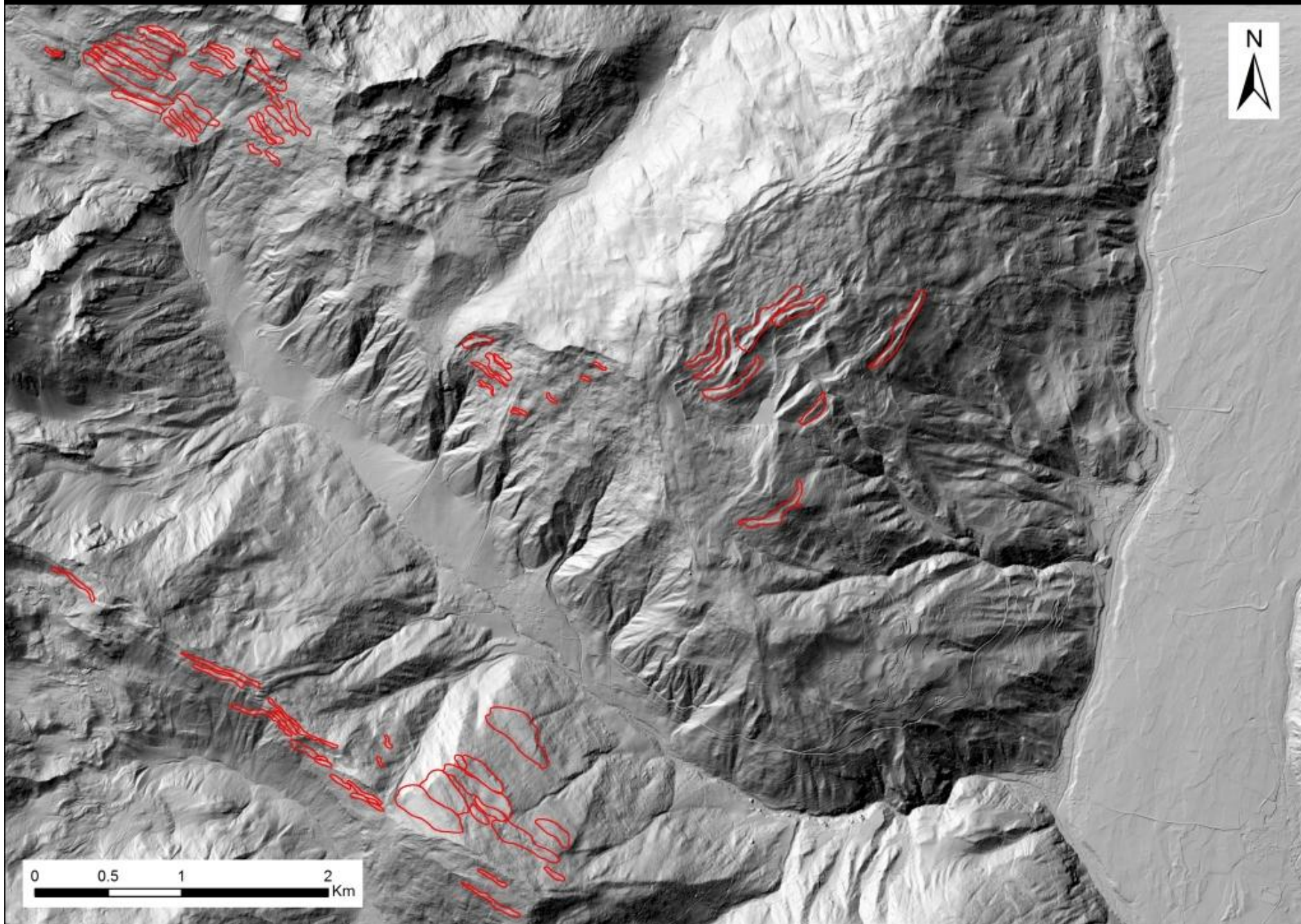
(Yokoyama et al., 2002)

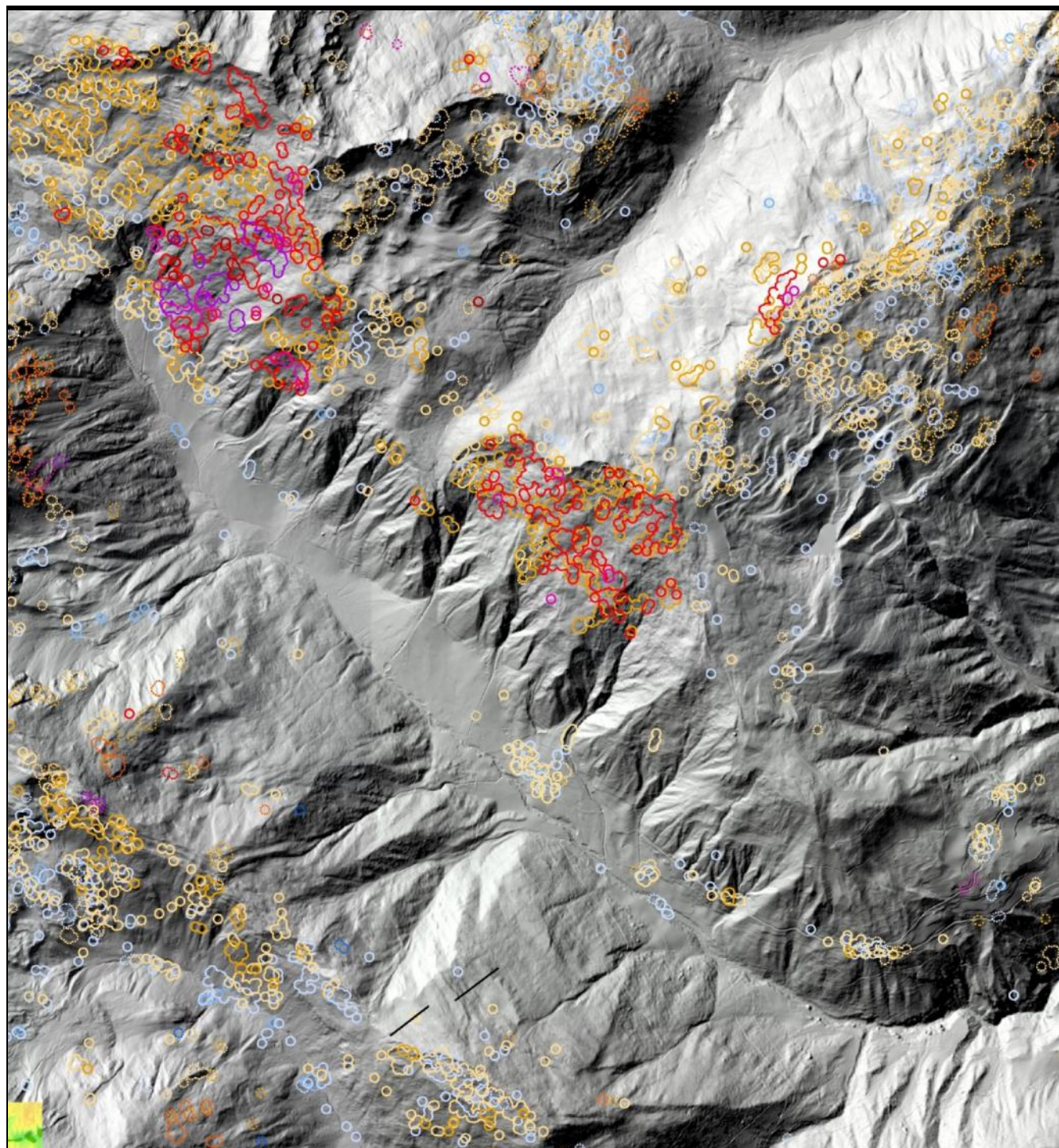


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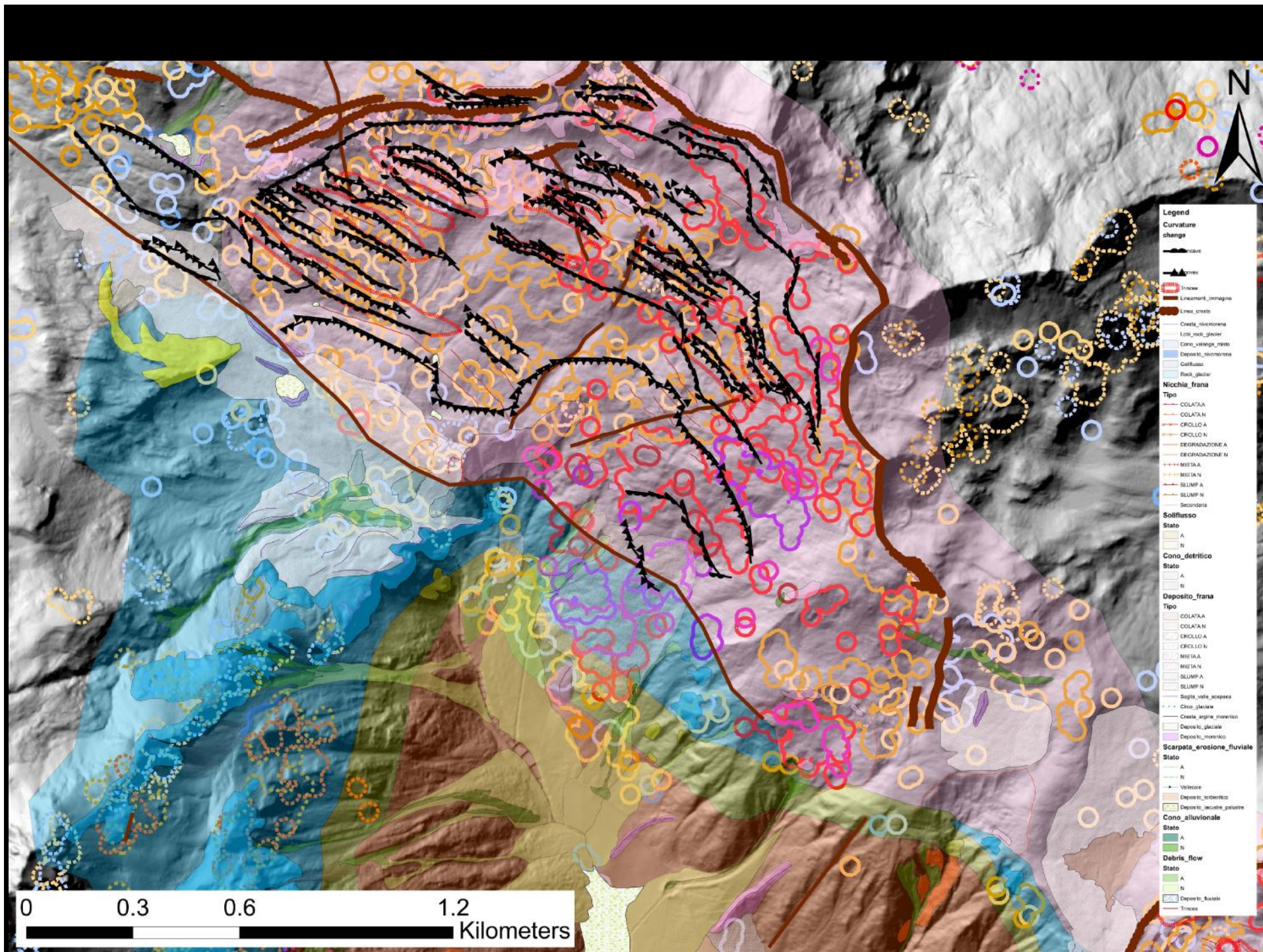
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PS (Permanent Scatterer)
courtesy of Bolzano
Province Geological
Service.



Conclusion and perspectives

- The proposed methodology results **appropriate** to map the phenomena in the area of study.
- The morhostructures topographic signature could help to identify the DGSGs process in a more objective way if applied in analogs landscapes.



A photograph of a geological rock outcrop. The rock is dark brown and grey, showing signs of weathering and fracturing. A geological hammer with a wooden handle and a metal head is placed vertically against the rock face for scale. The hammer's head is positioned near the bottom center of the frame. The rock surface is uneven, with various textures and colors, including some lighter, possibly calcified areas. A semi-transparent grey rectangular box is overlaid on the center of the image, containing the text "Thank for your attention!" in red. The background shows some sparse green vegetation and a clear sky.

Thank for your attention!