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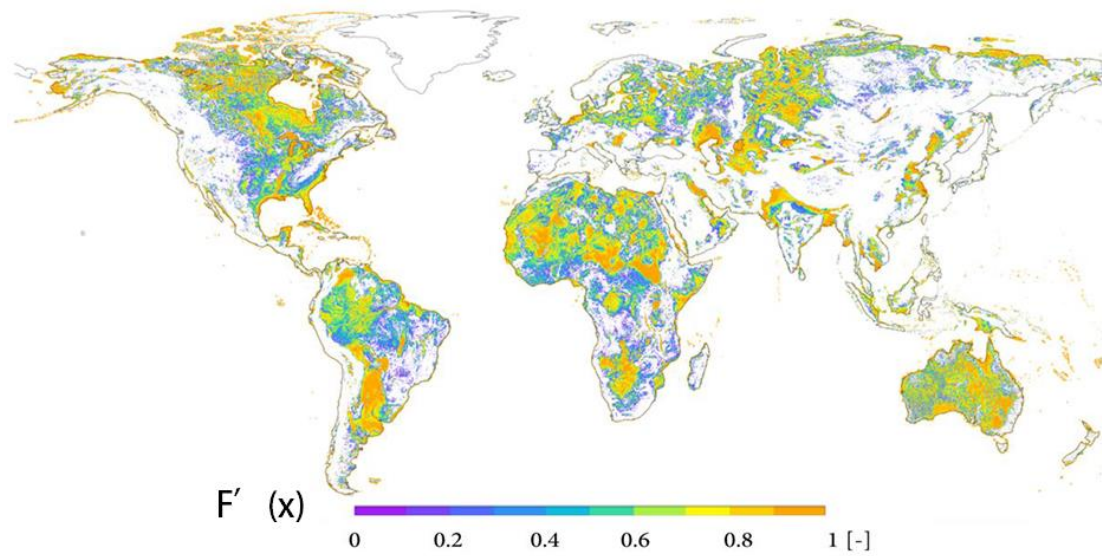
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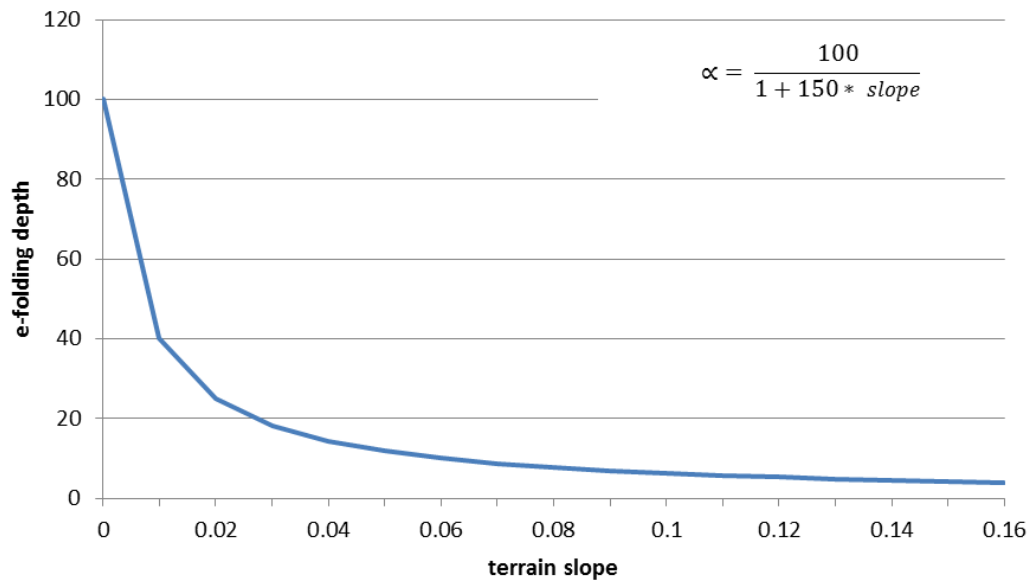
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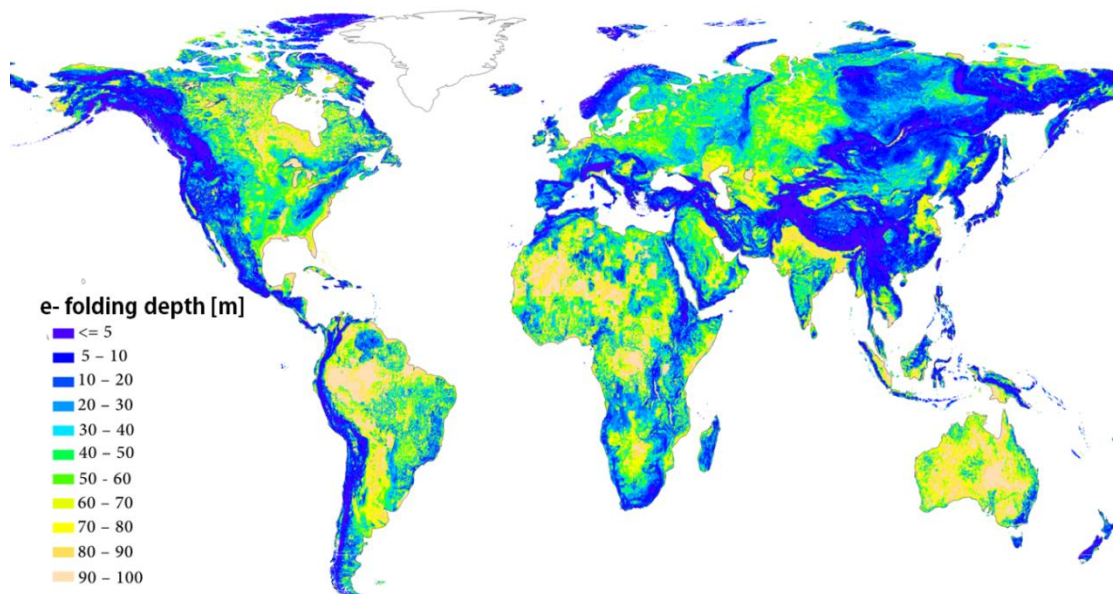
**Fig. S1.** Spatial distribution of  $F'(x)$ , representing the likelihood of finding a thick aquifer

## e-folding depth

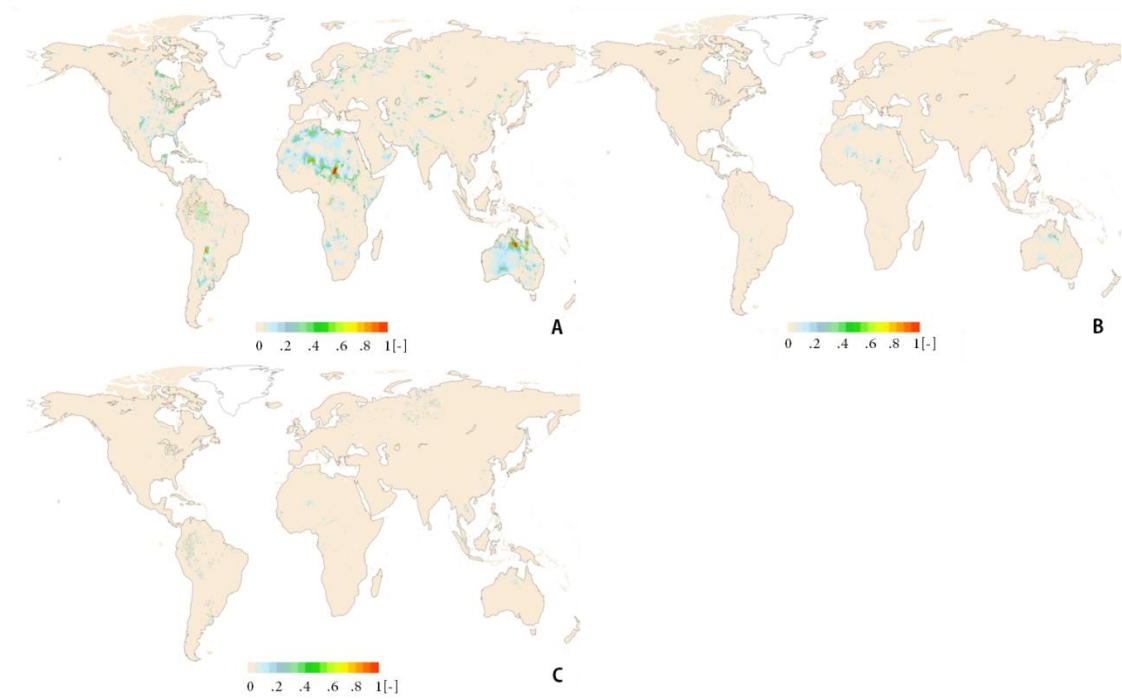
The near surface permeability is described by the sediment-bedrock profile at a location, which depends strongly on terrain slope; the steeper the land, the thinner the regolith and the sharper the decrease in permeability with depth (e.g. Miguez-Moacho *et al.* 2008). This is expressed through the e-folding depth. The range of the e-folding depth ( $\alpha$ ) is given in the graph below, and its spatial distribution in the map below.



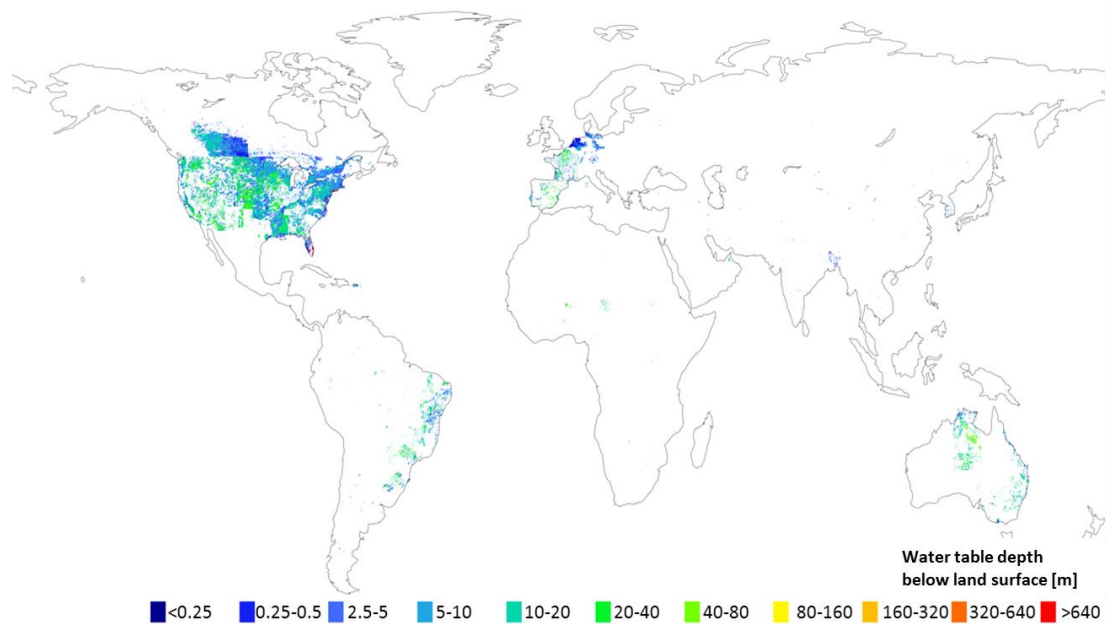
**Fig. S2.** e-folding depth as a function of terrain slope, using constants of Miguez-Macho *et al.* (2008).



**Fig. S3.** e- folding depth.



**Fig. S4.** Coefficient of variation of groundwater depth of 100 runs with different parameter settings for (A) saturated conductivity, (B) aquifer thickness, and (C) groundwater recharge.



**Fig. S5.** Global piezometer observations; groundwater depths in meters below the land-surface (from Fan *et al.* 2013).