

[Supplementary material]

Connectivity and funerary change in early medieval Europe

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Adjusting for grave disturbance

The issue of disturbance, both deliberate and accidental, is an important one to consider, as this may have affected the numbers of objects extant in graves when they were excavated. The disturbance of graves will undoubtedly have had an effect on the survival of grave goods within them. Accidental disturbance is more likely to result in complete loss of grave goods, regardless of type. There are also instances, though, where the burial was accidentally disturbed, but objects remained clearly associated with the disturbed remains, and it is impossible to tell how many were lost. Re-opening was much more targeted; graves which were known to be richly furnished would have been reopened in order to remove a specific item. Where accidental disturbance has occurred, numbers of all types of grave goods will have been artificially lowered; excluding these disturbed graves will therefore give us a clearer picture of the type of grave good provision which originally existed. However, where specific graves are being targeted for specific types of objects, only certain categories of grave goods will have had their numbers artificially lowered; excluding those graves could in fact mean excluding the richest graves from the sample, which may only have had one or two objects removed from them. This might not be a problem if grave reopening were a common practice throughout the early medieval period; after all, it is highly unlikely in any instance that we have the entirety of the original burial assemblage preserved. However, grave reopening is not constant over time, but instead seems to be restricted to the late sixth and seventh centuries across large parts of the early medieval world (van Haperen 2010: 13; Klevnäs 2013: 83; Noterman 2016: 422). It could therefore have an effect on how the numbers of surviving objects in graves change over time. The decision on whether or not to exclude disturbed graves from analysis was thus taken on an individual basis for each cemetery. Where excluding disturbed graves raised the average numbers of objects in a cemetery, it was assumed that disturbance had contributed to the loss of artefacts from graves, and therefore disturbed graves were excluded. Where excluding disturbed graves lowered the average numbers, however, it was assumed that richer graves had been

disproportionately affected by disturbance, and therefore those graves should be included in analysis in order to recreate the original burial assemblages as accurately as possible. It is impossible to completely mitigate for disturbance, but these measures will reduce its effect on grave good numbers as much as possible.

Where cemeteries have recently been reanalysed for evidence of deliberate reopening, this information was included. However, where a cemetery had not been reanalysed, the judgement of the original report had to be relied upon as to whether or not a grave had been disturbed, deliberately or accidentally. Older reports are likely to under-estimate the amount of deliberate grave-reopening. As an example of this, Aspöck's study of the Anglo-Saxon cemetery of Winall II suggested that 25 out of 45 graves had been reopened, despite originally only one such grave being identified (Aspöck 2011: 315). However, close reanalysis of the remaining cemeteries using the methods outlined by van Haperen (2010) and Klevnäs (2013) in order to determine any over-looked re-opening was beyond the scope of this article, and in many instances would not be possible with the level of detail present in the original excavation reports.

Table S1. Cemeteries.

Cemetery	Latitude	Longitude	Start date (AD)	End date (AD)	Mean number of grave goods	Disturbed graves excluded?	References
Addingham	53.9333	-1.8833	660	1020	0	-	Adams (1996)
Ailcy Hill	54.1167	-1.5167	560	990	0.09	No	Hall & Whyman (1996)
Alach	50.9833	10.9333	570	650	4.65	Yes	Timpel (1990)
Aldingen	48.1	8.7	450	500	4.04	-	Scholkmann (1981); Schach-Döriges (2004)
Altenerding	48.3	11.9167	450	675	2.19	-	Sage & Helmuth (1996)
Alton	51.13	-0.98	450	595	3.1	Yes	Evison & Allen (1988)
Ammern	51.2333	10.45	600	720	1.18	-	Timpel & Spazier (2014: 126–27)
Apple Down	50.93	-0.9	510	650	1.63	No	Down & Welch (1990)
Arlon	49.6833	5.8167	535	700	6.32	No	Roosens & Alenus-Leclerf (1965)
Arrentières	48.2627	4.7432	560	710	1.11	No	Desbrosse-Degobertière (2010)
Aschheim	48.1667	11.7167	550	950	1.26	-	Dannheimer & Diepolder (1988)
Aubing	48.1667	11.4167	450	675	2.03	Yes	Dannheimer (1998)
Bad Mingolsheim	49.22	8.65	570	680	3.67	No	Schafer (2005)
Banneville-la-Campagne	49.172	-0.2253	500	610	1.63	No	Hincker & Mayer (2011)
Barbing-Irlmauth	49.0167	12.1667	500	550	3.27	-	Koch (1968: 173–83)
Bärenthal	48.07	8.93	664	965	0.03	Yes	Düring (2014)
Bargen	47.88	8.77	590	720	4.65	Yes	Koch (1982)
Basel-Kleinhüningen	47.55	7.6	450	720	2.58	Yes	Giesler-Müller (1992)
Beacon Hill	51.6667	-0.9667	710	1160	0.08	No	Chambers (1976)
Beakesbourne II	51.25	1.1333	525	565	2.61	Yes	Richardson (2005)
Beckery Chapel	51.15	-2.71	406	810	0	-	Rahtz & Hirst (1974)
Beckford	52.02	-2.03	450	565	2.48	No	Evison & Hill (1996)
Beckum	51.35	7.9	460	620	3.62	-	Capelle (1979)

Bel-Air	46.5333	6.6667	460	800	1.01	-	Leitz (2002)
Bergeijk-Fazantlaan	51.3167	5.3667	565	740	2.36	No	Theuws <i>et al.</i> (2012)
Bergh Apton	52.551	1.4	510	585	3.95	-	Green & Rogerson (1978)
Berghausen	49.0064	8.5294	620	730	2.04	-	Koch (1982)
Berinsfield	51.67	-1.18	450	645	2.79	Yes	Boyle <i>et al.</i> (1995)
Bifrons, Patribourne	51.25	1.1167	525	565	3.31	-	Richardson (2005)
Blacknall Field	51.33	-1.75	500	550	3.06	No	Annable & Eagles (2010)
Bloodmoor Hill	52.45	1.7	580	710	1.21	No	Lucy <i>et al.</i> (2009)
Bloville	50.3972	1.8749	560	710	1.73	-	Routier <i>et al.</i> (2008)
Bonnières	49.5108	1.9649	500	700	1.26	-	Berthelmer-Ajot (1982)
Borsbeek	51.1959	4.4907	600	700	2.24	-	de Boe (1970)
Boss Hall	52.0833	1.1667	500	685	4.88	Yes	Scull & Archibald (2009)
Braives	50.6286	5.1478	575	700	1.24	Yes	Bruet & Moureau (1979)
Breach Down	51.2167	1.15	610	700	1.36	Yes	Richardson (2005)
Bréal-sous-Vitré	48.1031	-1.0613	538	1220	0.16	-	Le Boulanger <i>et al.</i> (2005)
Bremen-Mahndorf I	53.0333	8.95	500	750	2.94	-	Grohne (1953)
Bremen-Mahndorf II	53.0333	8.95	750	900	0.11	-	Grohne (1953)
Buchères	48.2351	4.1131	560	1000	0.24	-	Maury <i>et al.</i> (2013)
Buchten	51.05	5.8167	603	780	0.04	No	Derks & de Fraiture (2015)
Buggingen	47.85	7.63	600	700	1.2	No	Jansen (2003)
Bulles	49.4595	2.3257	440	725	2.44	Yes	Legoux (2001)
Burgh Castle	52.5667	1.6833	650	990	0.01	Yes	Johnson (1983)
Burwell	52.2667	0.3333	555	685	1.26	-	Lethbridge (1931)
Butler's Field	51.7	-1.7	450	685	3	Yes	Boyle <i>et al.</i> (1998)
Buttermarket	52.0833	1.1667	610	690	1.75	-	Scull & Archibald (2009)
Caister-on-Sea	52.65	1.75	720	1050	0.05	No	Darling <i>et al.</i> (1993)
Camerton	51.32	-2.46	625	685	0.7	-	Wedlake (1958)

Candes-Saint-Martin	47.2117	0.0737	660	780	0	-	Philippon & Gaultier (2014)
Castledyke South	53.6833	-0.45	500	685	3.28	Yes	Drinkall <i>et al.</i> (1998)
Chamberlain's Barn	51.92	-0.65	580	685	1.1	No	Hyslop (1963)
Chaniers	45.7186	-0.5578	600	900	0.48	-	Moizan <i>et al.</i> (2009)
Chanteloup-en-brie	48.856	2.739	700	900	0.05	-	Fossurier (2008)
Chartham Down	51.25	1.1667	625	685	1.2	No	Richardson (2005)
Chémeré	47.1206	-1.9175	560	710	0.23	No	Gallien (2009)
Ciply	50.4167	3.9333	500	720	2.23	-	Faider-Feytmans (1970)
Cleatham	53.4667	-0.6	450	685	3.15	Yes	Leahy (2007)
Clos d'Aubonne	46.4536	6.8586	450	840	0.32	-	Steiner & Klausener (2011)
Coisy	49.9596	2.3269	580	680	1.55	Yes	Massey (1980)
Cook Street, Southampton	50.9	-1.4	620	890	0.21	No	Garner (1993, Garner <i>et al.</i> (2001)
Crayke	54.1333	-1.15	770	1020	0	-	Adams (1990)
Crotenay	46.7528	5.813	450	710		-	Gilles (2008)
Cuignières	49.4515	2.473	560	680	1.17	-	Legoux (1980)
Cutry	49.4828	5.7481	470	700	4.11	Yes	Legoux (2005)
Dachwig	51.0667	10.85	470	670	1.63	-	Will (1994)
Deersheim	51.9833	10.7833	450	550	6.29	No	Schneider (1983)
Dirmstein	49.56	8.24	530	720	3.28	-	Leithäuser (2011)
Donaueschingen	47.95	8.5	620	710	1.49	-	Buchta-Hohm 1996
Dover Buckland	51.1333	1.3	510	685	3.12	Yes	Evison (1987); Parfitt & Anderson (2012)
Eccles	51.3167	0.4833	700	1000	0.24	No	Richardson (2005)
Edix Hill	52.1167	0.0333	510	685	3.31	Yes	Malim & Hines (1998)
Eichstetten	48.08	7.73	500	700	2.4	Yes	Sasse (2001)
Eick	51.4833	6.6333	525	680	3.6	Yes	Hinz (1969)
Elgg	47.4903	8.8666	530	700	3	-	Windler & Langenegger (1994)
Empingham	52.65	-0.58	450	585	3.54	No	Timby & Bartlett (1996)

Engelsmanhoven	50.7742	5.253	500	700	2.42	Yes	Vanderhoeven (1977)
Ennery	49.2262	6.218	525	620	3.36	Yes	Delort (1947)
Entrammes	47.9976	-0.71	650	710	0.06	-	Guillier (2006)
Epolding-Muhlthal	47.9833	11.4667	600	720	1.44	-	Dannheimer (1968a)
Epolding-Muhlthal Kirche	47.9833	11.4667	700	1000	0.01	-	Dannheimer (1968a)
Eschborn	50.1333	8.55	400	565	3.4	Yes	Ament (1992)
Esslingen	48.75	9.3	750	870	0.08	-	Fehring <i>et al.</i> (1995)
Fellbach-Schmidlen	48.83	9.27	460	600	4.35	Yes	Roth (1982)
Finglesham	51.2333	1.35	510	685	2.31	Yes	Chadwick Hawkes & Grainger (2006)
Folx-les-Caves	50.6612	4.9378	525	700	3.93	No	Alenus (1963)
Fridingen	48.0167	8.9333	550	680	33.64	Yes	Schnurbein (1987)
Giengen an der Brenz	48.6167	10.25	570	720	3.36	No	Paulsen & Schach-Döriges (1978)
Gilton Ash	51.2833	1.2667	580	685	3.72	-	Richardson (2005)
Goudelancourt-les-Pierrepont	49.6677	3.854	520	725	2.48	Yes	Nice (2008)
Grande Oye	46.9277	6.3522	550	700	0.74	Yes	Urlacher <i>et al.</i> (1998)
Great Chesterford	52.07	0.2	450	585	3.05	Yes	Evison (1994)
Großschwabhausen	50.9333	11.4833	700	900	1.33	Yes	Timpel & Spazier (2014: 249–51)
Güttingen	47.7667	9	580	700	3.01	-	Fingerlin (1971)
Hamoir	50.4267	5.533	550	700	2.46	No	Alenus-Leclerf (1975)
Harford Farm	52.5833	1.3	625	710	2.27	Yes	Penn (2000)
Haudricourt	49.7338	1.7051	530	680	1.08	-	Mantel <i>et al.</i> (1994)
Hégenheim	47.5625	7.5268	530	700	3.11	-	Billoin <i>et al.</i> (2008)
Heidenheim an der Brenz	48.68	10.15	630	730	0.42	-	Dannheimer (1971)
Hérouvillette	49.2213	-0.2435	525	600	2.31	-	Decaens (1971)
Hières-sur-Amby	45.7978	5.2947	648	1161	0.18	-	Porte & Buchet (1985)
Hockenheim	49.32	8.55	600	700	4.11	-	Clauss (1986)

Holborough	51.3333	0.45	565	645	0.82	No	Richardson (2005)
Hollogne-aux-Pierres	50.6327	5.4749	525	700	4	Yes	Alenus-Leclerf & Dradon (1967)
Hordain	50.2631	3.3136	500	800	1.2	-	Demolon (2006)
Jeoffrécourt	49.5711	3.8937	560	710	0.85	No	Martin (2011)
Kelheim-Gmund	48.9167	11.8667	550	700	4.04	-	Koch (1968: 154–69)
King Harry Lane	51.75	-0.37	580	685	1.53	Yes	Ager (1989)
King's Hostel	52.2	0.1167	600	700	1	Yes	Dodwell <i>et al.</i> (2004)
Kingston Down	51.2	1.15	580	685	2.15	Yes	Richardson (2005)
Kirchheim am Ries	48.8833	10.4	530	750	2.45	No	Neuffer-Müller (1983)
Kleinlangheim	49.7667	10.2833	450	765	4.31	Yes	Pescheck & Hundt (1996)
Klepsau	49.39	9.67	545	680	6.97	-	Koch (1990)
Koenigsmacker	49.3949	6.2786	500	650	3.17	-	Peytremann (2008)
Junkersdorf	50.9333	6.95	400	750	0.51	Yes	La Baume (1967)
Müngersdorf	50.9333	6.8667	460	680	3.45	Yes	Fremersdorf (1995)
Koln-St. Severin	50.9333	6.95	400	750	1.99	Yes	Päffgen (1992)
Kösingen	48.75	10.42	525	700	3.64	Yes	Knaut (1993)
Krefeld-Gellep	51.3333	6.5667	400	750	1.25	No	Pirling & Hollstein (1979), Pirling <i>et al.</i> (1989), Pirling & Grodde (1997), Pirling & Siepen (2000), Pirling <i>et al.</i> (2003)
La Mouline	47.8413	1.1144	500	700	0.25	-	Burnell <i>et al.</i> (1994)
La Pierre Bat	48.8925	1.6836	480	700	0.91	Yes	Barat <i>et al.</i> (2001)
L'Abbaye de Saint Evre	48.6746	5.8929	500	710	0.81	-	Liéger <i>et al.</i> (1984)
Lamersdorf	50.85	6.35	460	620	1.95	No	Piepers (1963)
Largillay-Marsonnay	46.5542	5.6749	600	900	0.18	-	Billoin <i>et al.</i> (2006)
Lauterhofen	49.3667	11.6167	650	720	1.83	-	Dannheimer (1968b)
Le Champ des Vis (Evans)	47.1789	5.7681	700	800	0	-	Bonvalot (2003)
Le Martray, Giberville	49.1816	-0.2839	500	700	0.69	-	Pilet <i>et al.</i> (1990)

Le Trillet a Meyzieu	45.7705	5.0001	475	740	0.66	-	Blaizot <i>et al.</i> (2001)
Lent	51.8667	5.8667	560	720	0.72	No	Van Es <i>et al.</i> (1991)
Liebenau	52.6	9.1	450	660	1.96	-	Cosack & Hässler (1982)
Longueil-Annel	49.4691	2.8646	550	750	0.42	No	Fréville & Journa (1994)
Lyminge II	51.1167	1.0833	525	595	2.5	Yes	Warhurst (1955)
Marina Drive	51.88	-0.52	625	685	1.71	Yes	Matthews (1962)
Mars-la-Tour	49.0981	5.8858	560	710	1.09	No	Villier (2013)
Melbourn	52.0833	0.0167	510	685	2.21	Yes	Duncan <i>et al.</i> (2003)
Mels	47.05	9.43	550	1000	0.23	-	Grüninger <i>et al.</i> (1988); Martin (1988)
Merdingen	48.0167	7.6833	580	720	1.83	-	Fingerlin (1971)
Metzervisse	49.315	6.2855	600	880	1.51	No	Lansival (2007)
Mill Hill	51.2167	1.4	510	645	3.92	Yes	Parfitt & Brugmann (1997)
Mindelheim	48.05	10.4833	600	700	2.17	-	Werner (1955)
Minster-in-Sheppey	51.4167	0.8167	700	1000	0	-	Philp & Cheney (1998)
Mollans	47.6494	6.3686	600	700	0.24	-	Chopelain & Watel (2003)
Monkton	51.3333	1.2833	510	685	1.51	No	Richardson (2005)
Montataire	49.259	2.4378	485	640	0.69	No	Decormeille-Patin <i>et al.</i> (1999)
Moreuil	49.7746	2.4827	485	690	1.27	No	Bayard <i>et al.</i> (1981)
Morning Thorpe	52.483	1.254	510	645	3.52	Yes	Green <i>et al.</i> (1987)
Mucking	51.5	0.43	500	645	2.49	No	Hirst & Clark (2009)
Mülhausen	50.9833	10.3167	600	720	0.87	-	Timpel & Spazier (2014: 142–43)
Munzingen	47.9667	7.7	640	720	1.87	No	Groove (2001)
Nazeingbury	51.73	0.07	700	870	0.02	-	Huggins (1978)
Neresheim	48.75	10.35	450	700	2.18	Yes	Knaut (1993)
Neuburg an der Donau	48.7333	11.1833	670	760	0	-	Höke (2013)
Newcastle-upon-Tyne Castle	54.9881	-1.6194	700	1200	0	-	Nolan <i>et al.</i> (2010)

Norton	54.5833	-1.3167	450	650	3.72	Yes	Sherlock <i>et al.</i> (1992)
Nouvion-en-Ponthieu	50.2138	1.7777	485	690	1.15	-	Piton & Schuler (1981)
Obbicht-Oude Molen	51.0333	5.7833	510	680	3.03	Yes	Kars <i>et al.</i> (2016)
Oosterbeintum	53.35	5.8667	450	750	2.57	-	Knol <i>et al.</i> (1996)
Otzing	48.7667	12.8167	650	700	1.61	-	Koch (1968: 142–45)
Pleidelsheim	48.97	9.2	430	670	5.06	Yes	Koch (2001)
Pliening	48.2	11.8	480	620	1.4	Yes	Codreaunu-Windauer & Hundt (1997)
Polhill	51.2667	0.2	545	685	1.52	No	Philp (2002)
Portway	51.2	-1.48	510	585	2.57	Yes	Cook & Dacre (1985)
Posterholt-Achterste Voorst	51.1333	6.0333	510	750	2.74	Yes	Haas <i>et al.</i> (2013)
Prittlewell	51.55	0.7	510	685	1.66	Yes	Tyler (1988)
Putten	52.2667	5.6167	500	750	1.22	-	Ypey (1964)
Regensburg-Burgweinting	48.9833	12.15	520	770	0	No	Zintl (2013)
Remda	50.7667	11.2167	700	900	0.3	-	Timpel & Spazier 2014: (83–84)
Rhenen	51.9667	5.5667	375	750	2.17	-	Wagner & Ypey (2012)
Riccall Landing	53.818	-1.05	680	1165	0	-	Hall <i>et al.</i> (2008)
Richelieu	47.0139	0.3241	600	750	0.14	-	Blanchard & Georges (2004)
Risely	51.3833	0.2333	525	565	1.63	Yes	Richardson (2005)
Rivenhall	51.83	0.67	789	1100	0.02		Rodwell (1985)
Rödingen	50.9667	6.45	460	750	1.83	Yes	Janssen (1993); Herget (2006)
Rohnstedt	51.2167	10.8333	700	1050	0.65	Yes	Bach (1986)
Rosmeer	50.85	5.5833	550	700	2.25	No	Roosens <i>et al.</i> (1976); Roosens (1978)
Royaumeix	48.7779	5.8702	500	680	2.55	-	Liéger & Marguet (1992)
Rübenach	50.3667	7.5167	480	700	1.48	Yes	Neuffer-Müller & Ament (1973)
Sacy-le-Petit	49.3609	2.6294	550	650	0.98	-	Durand & Vanhaeke (1987)
Saint Marcel	49.7631	4.5727	560	710	2.35	No	Desbrosse-Degobertièrre & Bonnabel (2010)

Saint Martin de Verson	49.1568	-0.4436	650	720	0.59	-	Lemière & Levalet (1980)
Saint Martin, Giberville	49.1816	-0.2839	680	900	0.33	-	Pilet <i>et al.</i> (1990)
Saint Prex	46.4801	6.4593	500	900	0.28	-	Pelichet (1952)
Saint Saturnin	45.8235	0.4501	450	710	0	-	Stutz <i>et al.</i> (2008)
Saint Sauveur	49.9379	2.2116	440	710	1.34	No	Legoux & Ben Redjeb (2007)
Saint Sulpice	46.9104	6.5645	500	700	0.65	-	Marti (1990)
Saint Vit	47.1833	5.8167	520	640	4.75	Yes	Urlacher <i>et al.</i> (2008)
Sainte-Barbe	48.6004	7.7874	300	900	1.02	Yes	Blaizot <i>et al.</i> (2004)
Sarching	49.0167	12.2333	550	620	1.33	-	Koch (1968: 191–94)
Sarre	51.3333	1.2333	500	650	2.5	Yes	Richardson (2005)
Savigny-sur-Ardres	49.2445	3.7819	470	610	2.07	Yes	Paresys (2010)
Schelklingen	48.37	9.73	560	710	3.1	-	Schimd (1992)
Schretzheim	48.6	10.52	525	680	3.3	-	Koch (1977)
Sendling	48.0167	12.1667	510	675	1.59	-	Suhr (2010)
Sewerby	54.085	-0.167	500	685	3.22	-	Hirst (1985)
Sézegnin	46.1448	6.0067	400	710	0.22	-	Privati (1983)
Shrubland Hall Quarry	52.1333	1.1167	580	685	1.94	No	Penn & Anderson (2011)
Shudy Camps	52.05	0.3667	580	700	1.09	-	Lethbridge (1936)
Sibertswold/Barfreston	51.1833	1.2333	625	685	2.19	Yes	Richardson (2005)
Sissach	46.47	7.8	620	720	1.7	-	Burnell (1998)
Sittard-Kemperkoul	51	5.8667	510	750	2.33	Yes	Kars <i>et al.</i> (2016)
Snape	52.1833	1.5	450	650	3.81	Yes	Filmer-Sankey & Pestell (2001)
Snell's Corner	50.92	-0.98	610	685	1.82	-	Knocker (1956)
Sömmerda	51.15	11.1	500	700	2.23	-	Timpel & Spazier (2014: 177–78)
Spong Hill	52.7333	0.95	450	595	3.93	No	Hills <i>et al.</i> (1984)
St Gereon	50.9333	6.95	400	750	0.86	-	Verstegen (2006)
St Mary's Stadium	50.9	-1.4	625	690	2.81	No	Birbeck (2005)

St Paul-in-the-Bail	53.2333	-0.5333	450	1000	0	-	Steane (1991)
St Peter's Tip	51.3667	1.45	450	685	2.54	Yes	Harrington & Brookes (2008)
St. Servatius (Carolingian)	50.85	5.6833	660	890	0.46	-	Theuws & Kars (2017)
St. Servatius (Merovingian)	50.85	5.6833	400	725	1.96	-	Theuws & Kars (2017)
Staubing	48.88	11.82	570	700	1.64	No	Fischer & Hundt (1993)
Staunch Meadows	52.45	0.6167	680	900	0	-	Tester <i>et al.</i> (2013)
Stein-Groote Bongerd	50.9667	5.7667	510	680	1.86	Yes	Kars <i>et al.</i> (2016)
Steinhöring	48.08	12.0333	450	675	2.39	No	Arnold (1992)
Stetten	47.87	8.72	620	710	2.62	Yes	Weis (1999)
Straubing-Bajuwarenstrasse	48.8833	12.5667	450	700	5.08	Yes	Geisler & Ganslmeier (1998)
Streethouse Loftus	54.55	-0.8833	630	670	0.72	-	Sherlock & Allen (2012)
Sundremda	50.75	11.2167	700	1200	0.96	-	Timpel & Spazier (2014: 86–94)
Tittleshall	52.75	0.8	480	660	3.13	Yes	Walton Rogers & Allen (2013)
Tournai	50.6072	3.3893	450	620	3.96	Yes	Brulet & Coulon (1990)
Tranmer House	52.1	1.3167	510	650	4.37	-	Fern (2015)
Ullwell	50.62	-1.97	630	855	0.02	-	Cox (1988)
Uncleby	54.0251	-0.7578	580	685	1.75	-	Smith (1912)
Vellechevreux	47.5391	6.5372	665	1016	0.05	-	Peytremann <i>et al.</i> (1999)
Verrerie	47.3196	4.9059	600	650	0.68	-	Chevalier <i>et al.</i> (1984)
Vorges	49.5187	3.6539	530	650	1.24	-	Flèche-Mourgues (1988)
Vuippens	46.6565	7.0617	480	600	0.38	-	Schwab <i>et al.</i> (1997)
Wageningen	51.9667	5.6667	400	675	0.87	-	Van Es (1964)
Wasselonne	48.6372	7.4473	605	770	0.43	-	Thomann & Waton (2008)
Weißenburg	49.0333	10.9833	600	680	3.51	-	Jemiller (1996)
Wells Cathedral	51.22	-2.65	600	1100	0	-	Rodwell (2001)
West Heselton	54.166	-0.593	500	685	3.33	Yes	Haughton & Powlesland (1999)

Wijchen	51.8167	5.7333	450	640	1.81	No	Heeren & Hazenberg (2010)
Winall II	51.02	-1.32	625	685	1.24	No	Meaney & Chadwick Hawkes (1970)
Worthy Park	51.08	-1.3	500	570	2.13	Yes	Chadwick Hawkes & Grainger (2003)
Yverdon-les-Bains	46.7779	6.6355	550		1.45	Yes	Steiner <i>et al.</i> (2000)

GIS analysis: supplementary figures

The co-ordinates of each cemetery were obtained from the Getty Thesaurus of Geographic Names: <http://www.getty.edu/research/tools/vocabularies/tgn/index.html>. Base-maps were obtained from Natural Earth. See Figure 3 for key for all figures:

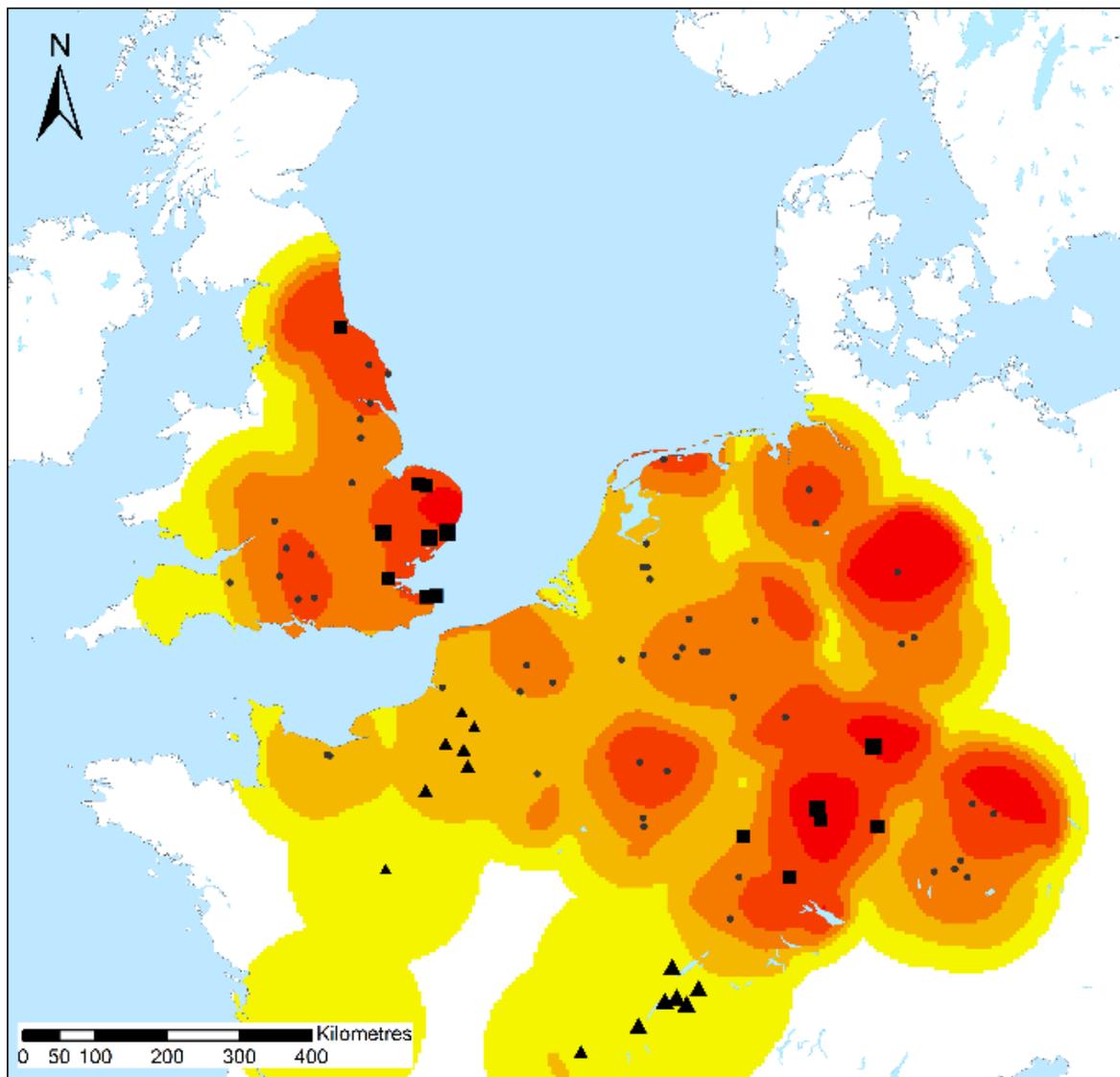


Figure S1. The relative KDE plot, with hot-spot analysis for AD 500 (figure by E. Brownlee).

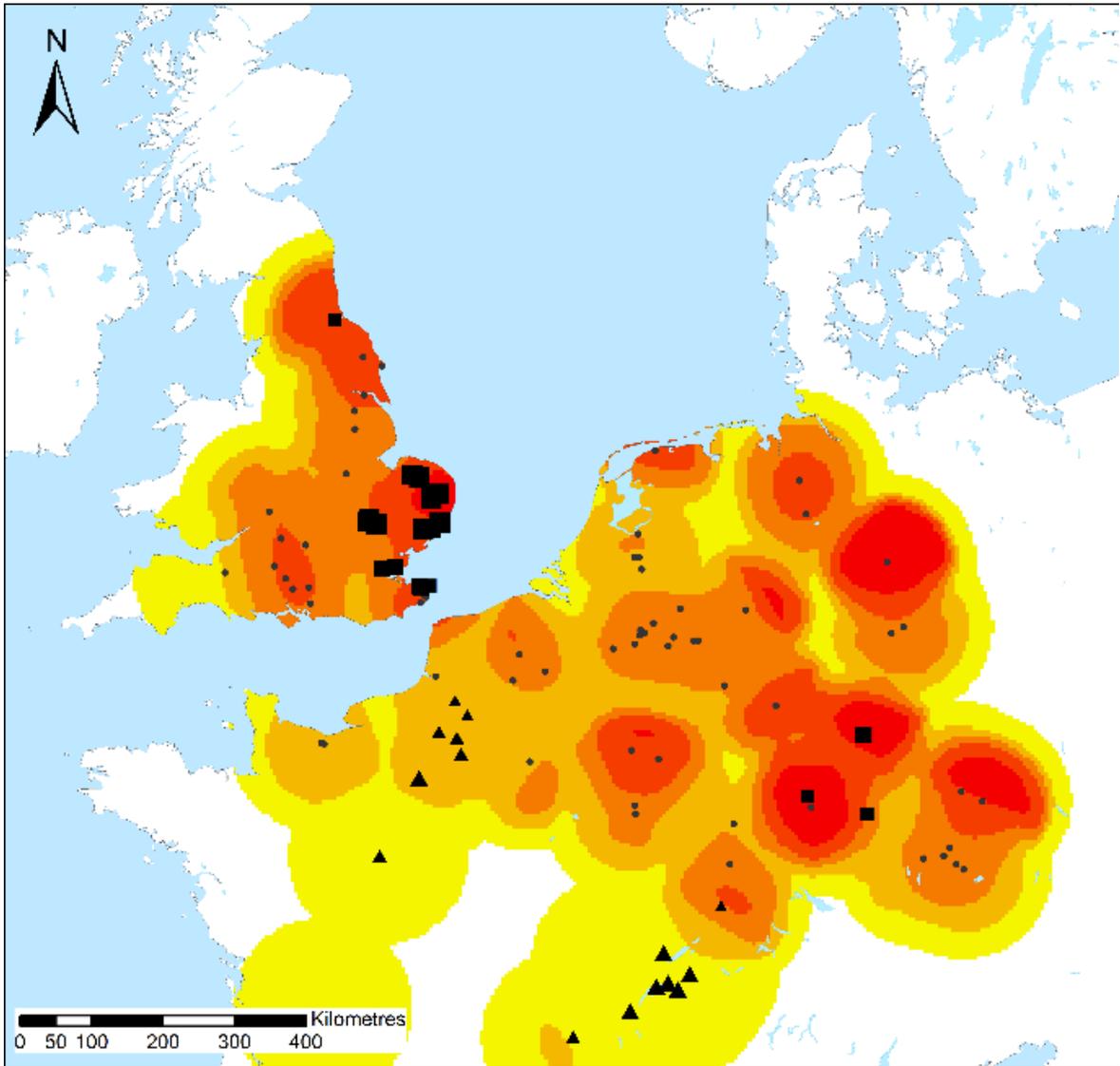


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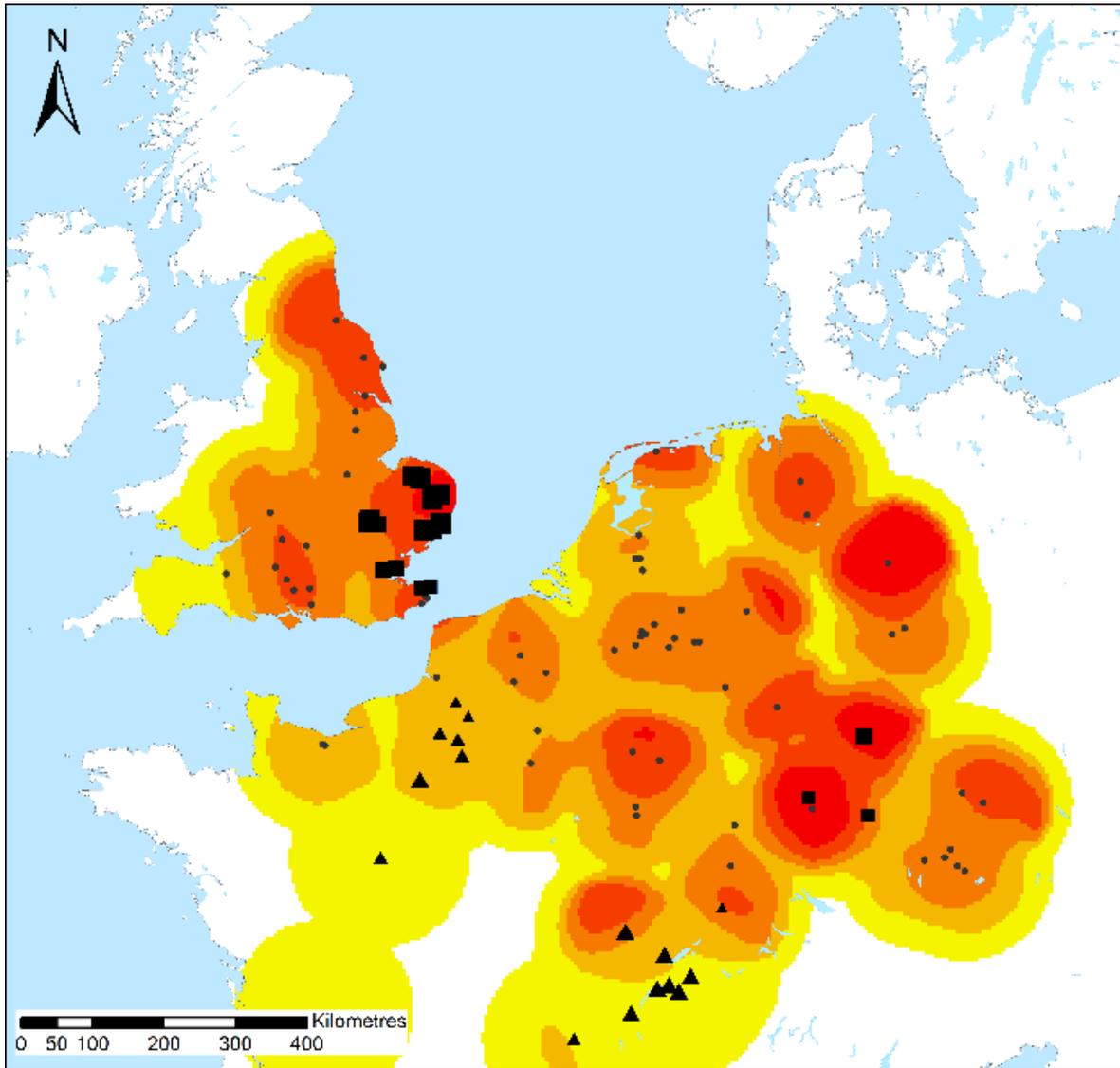


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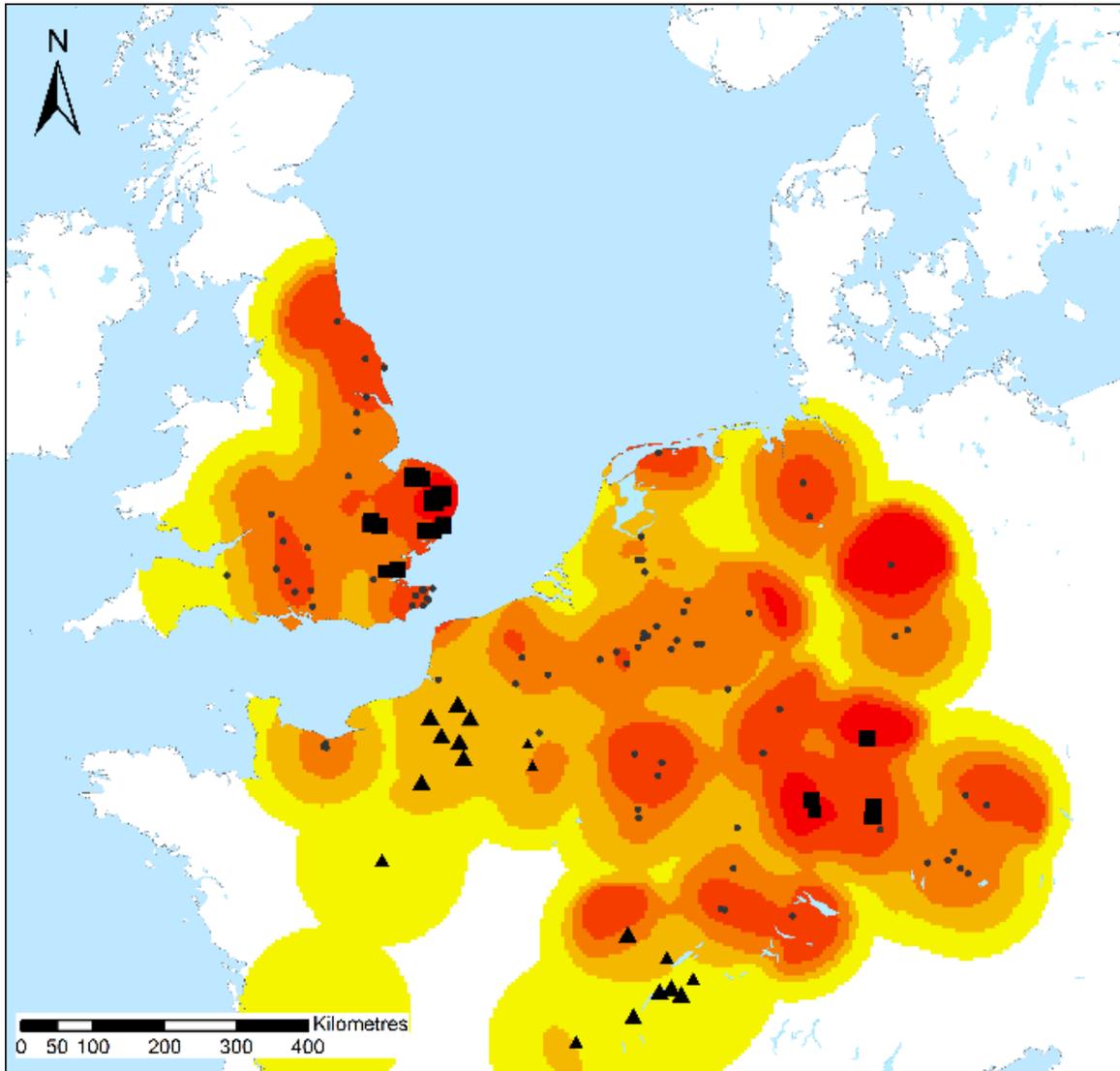


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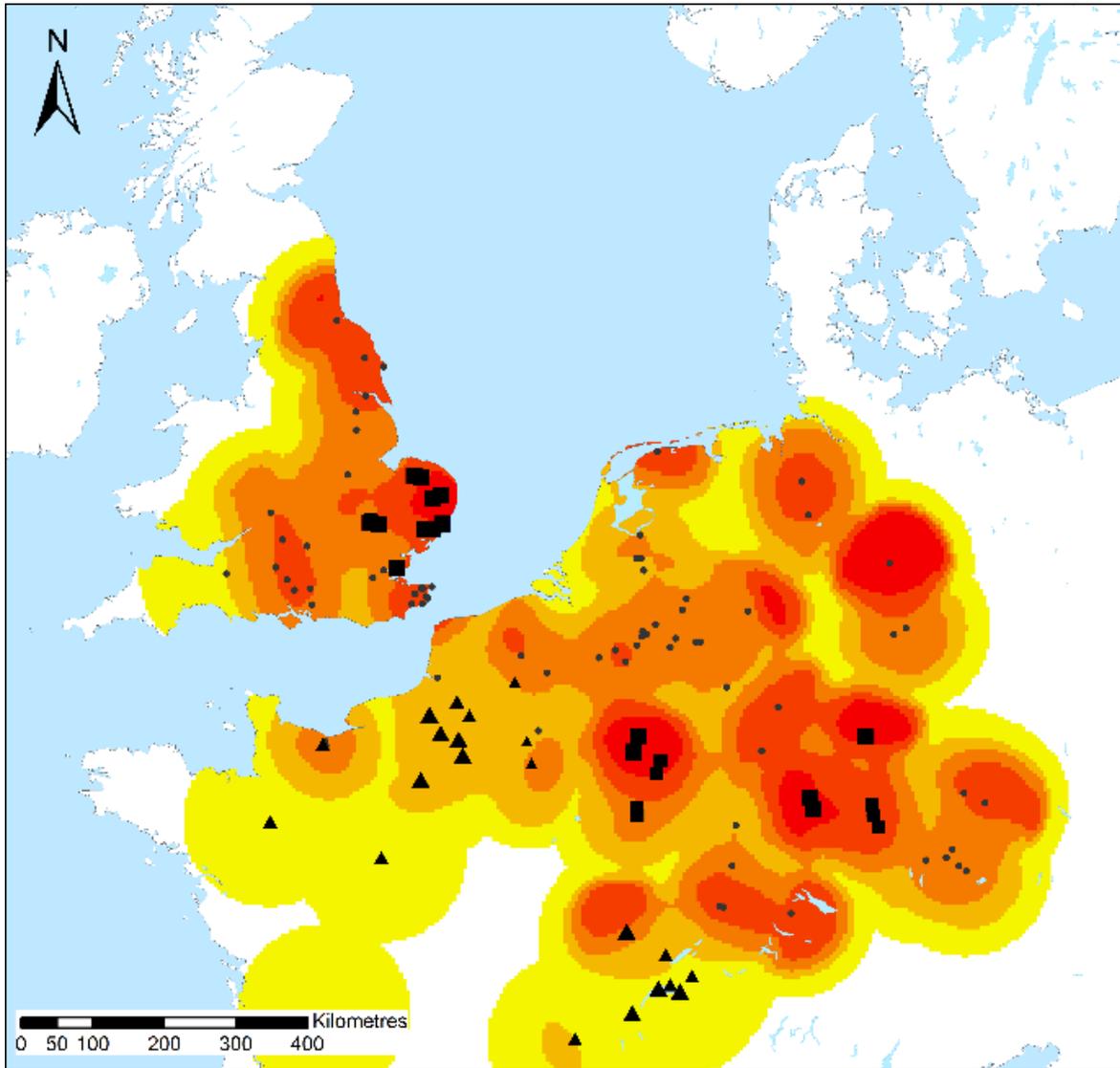


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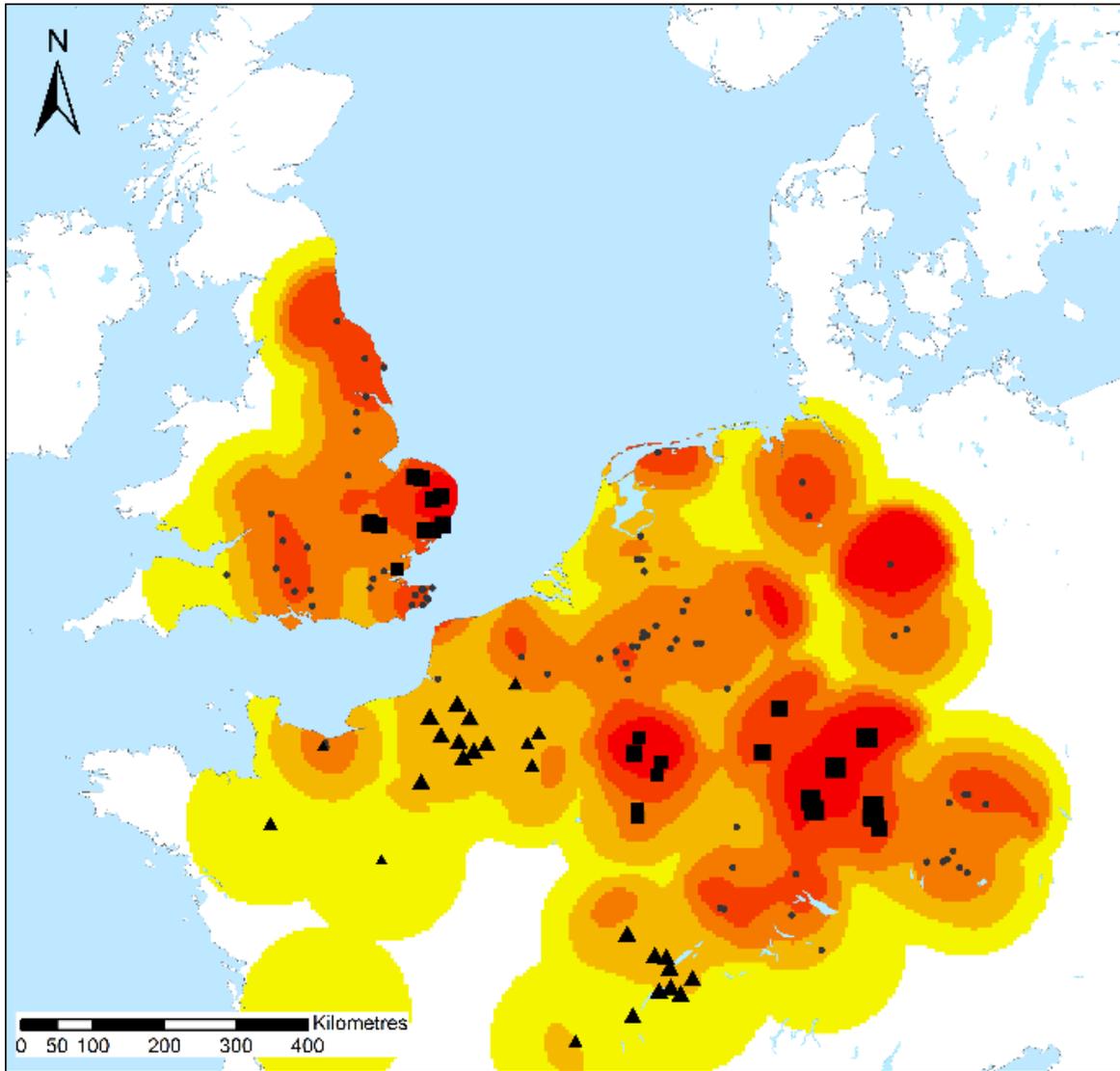


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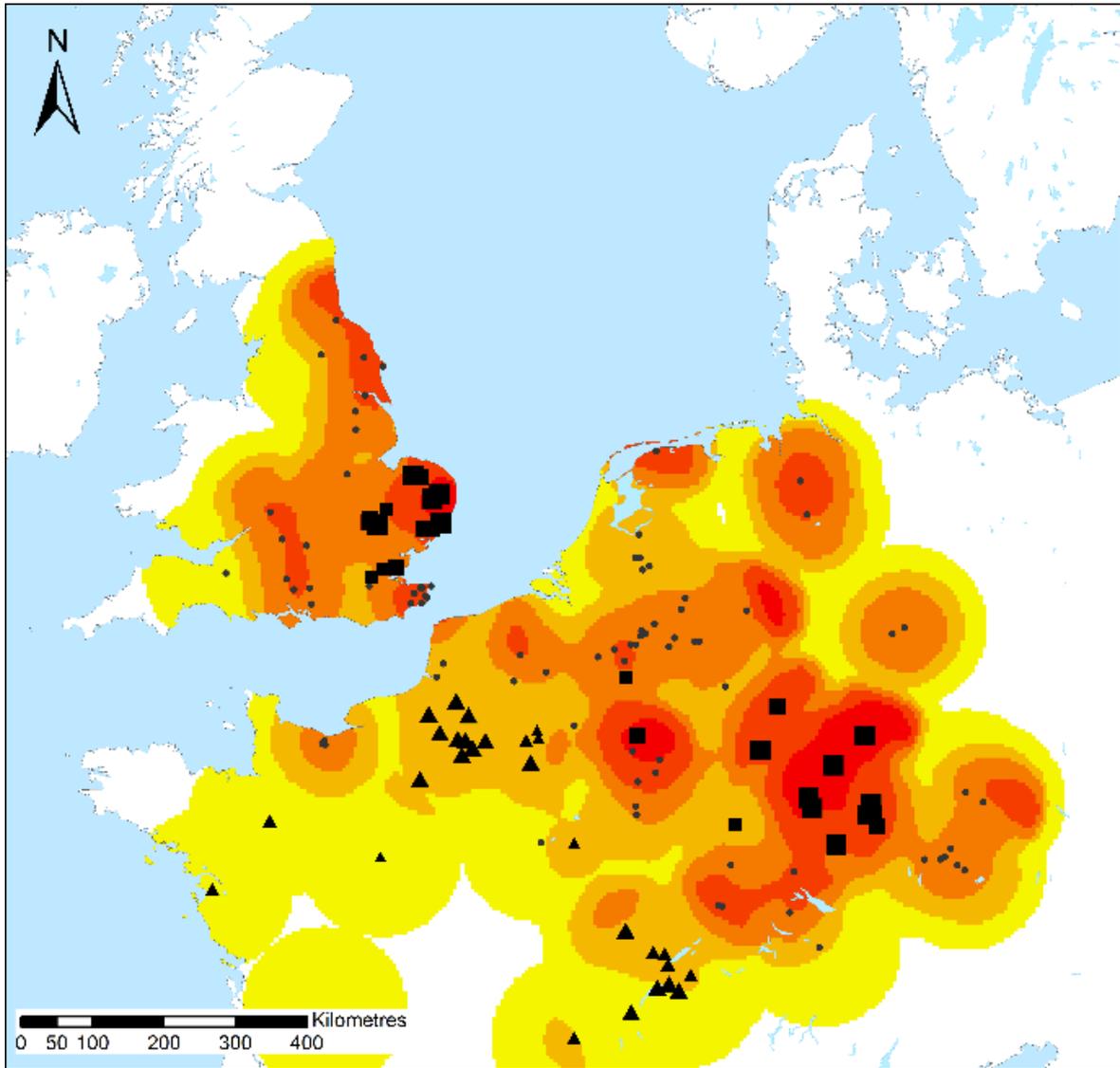


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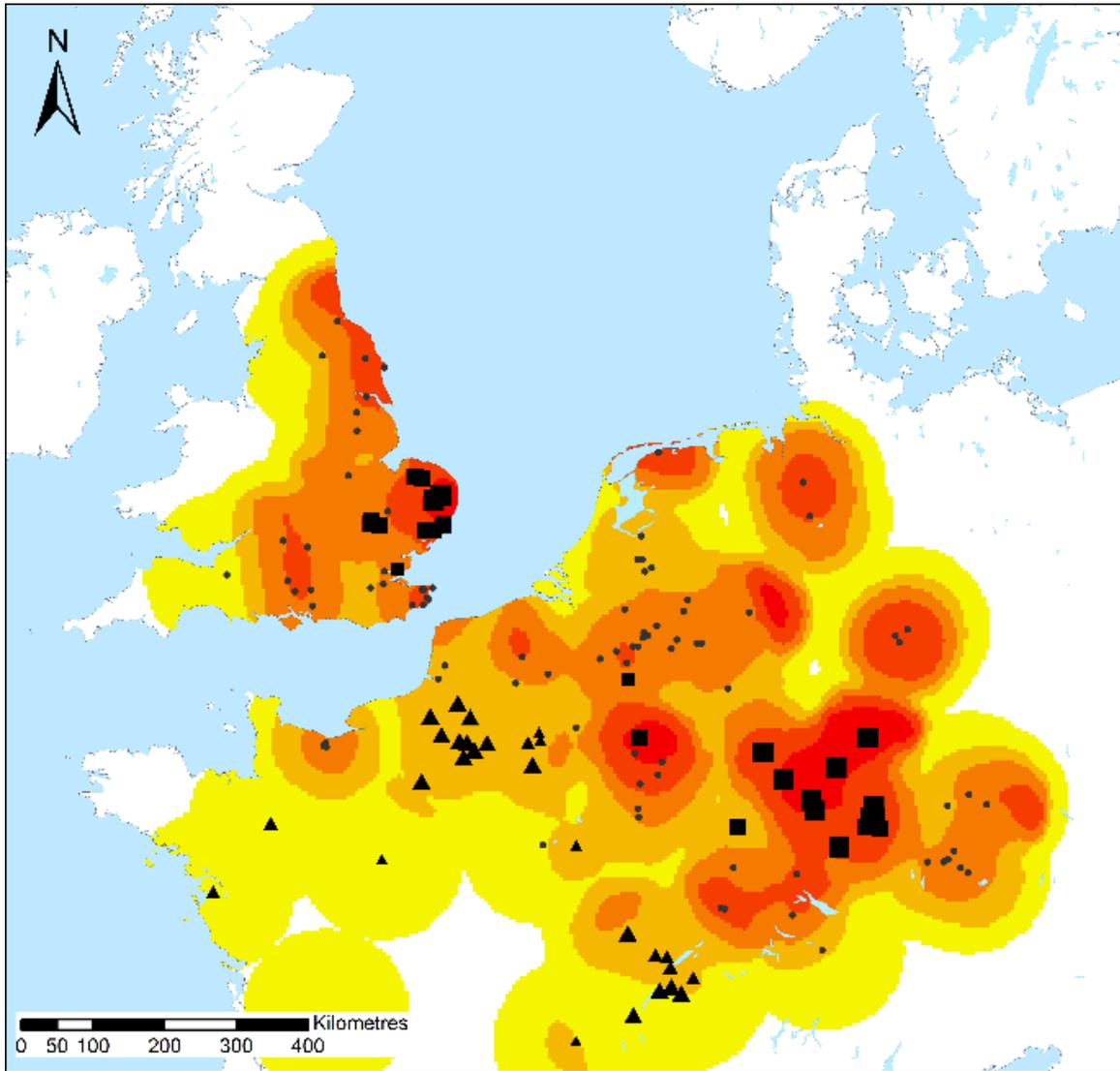


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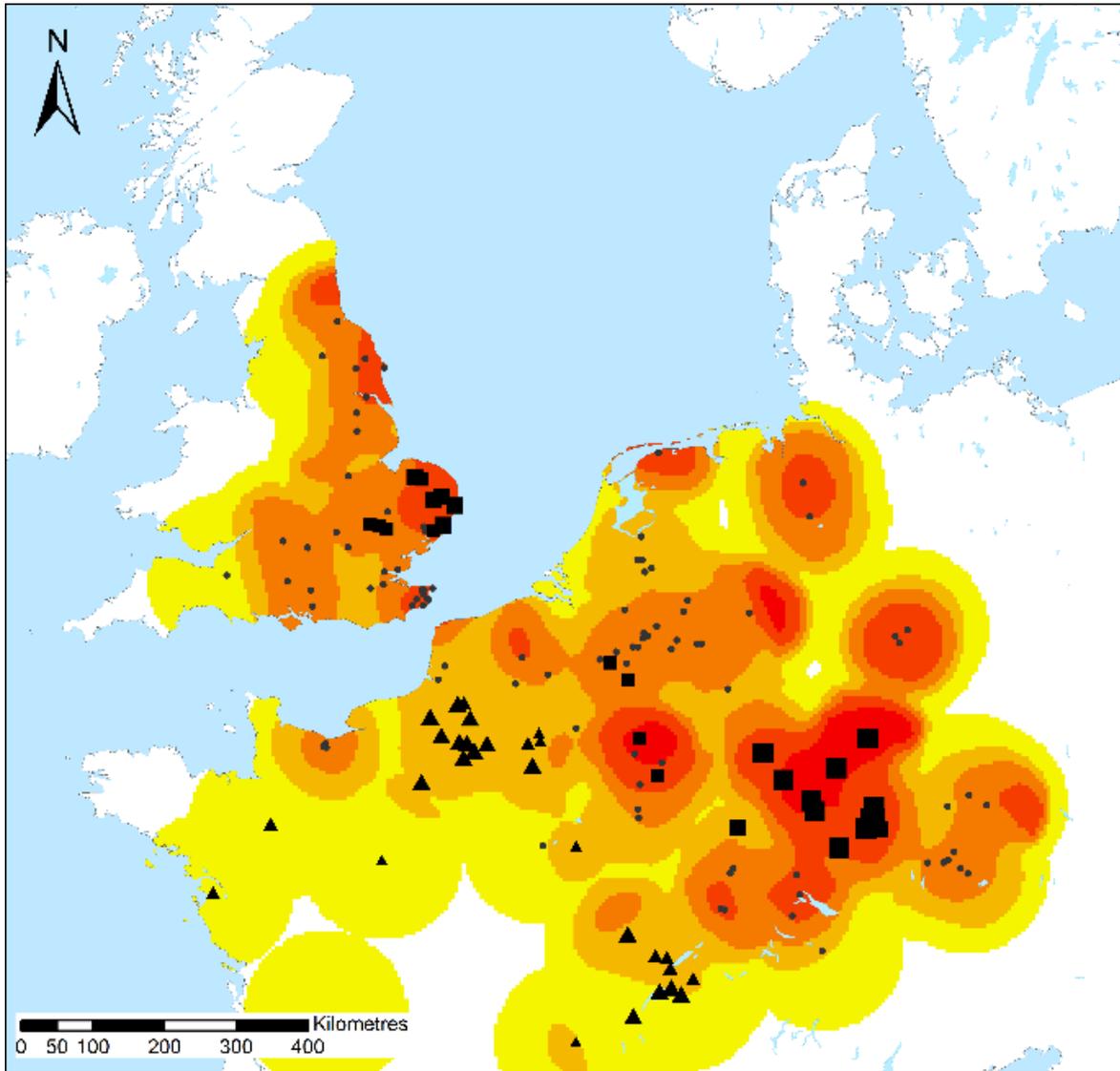


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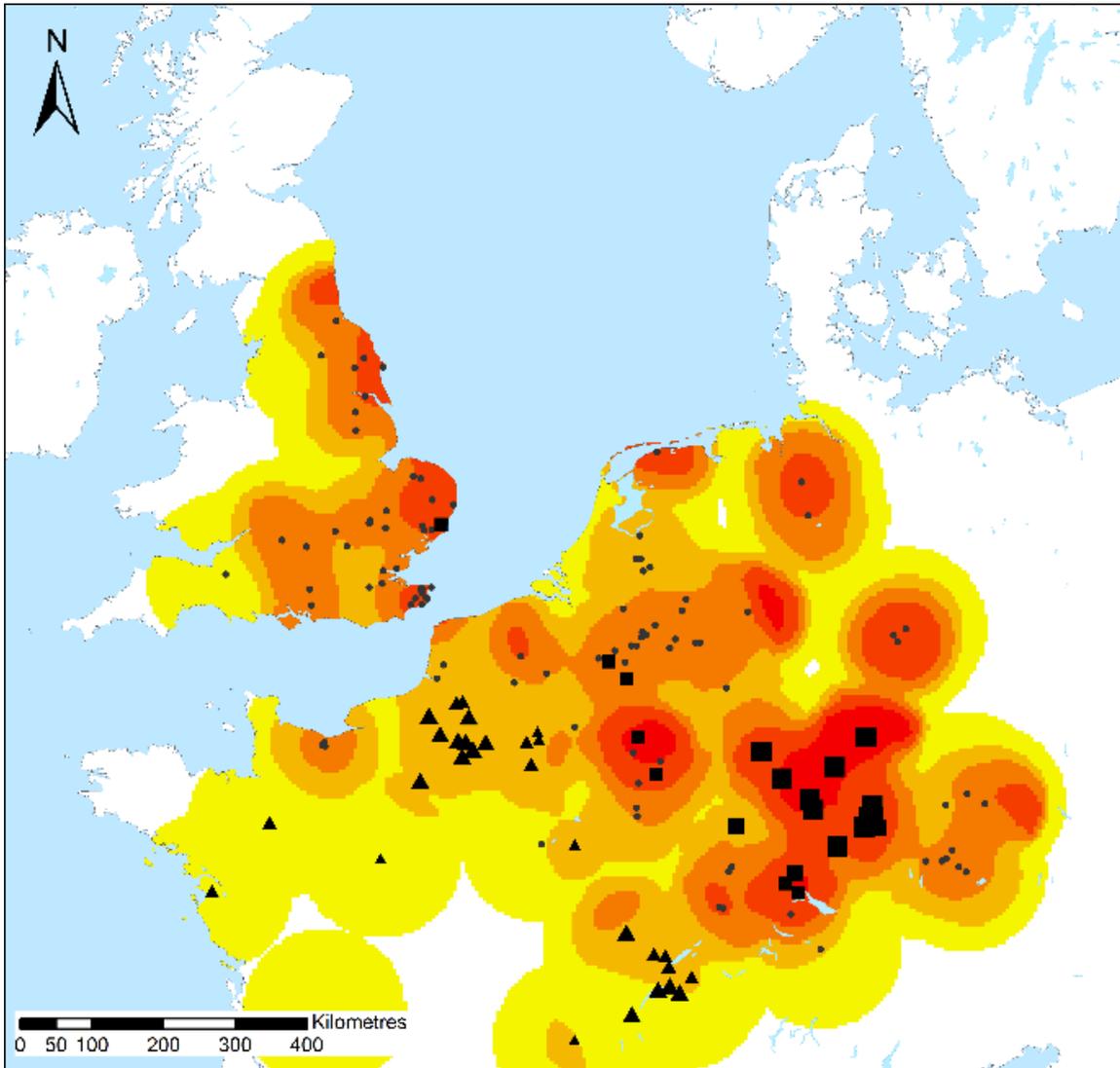


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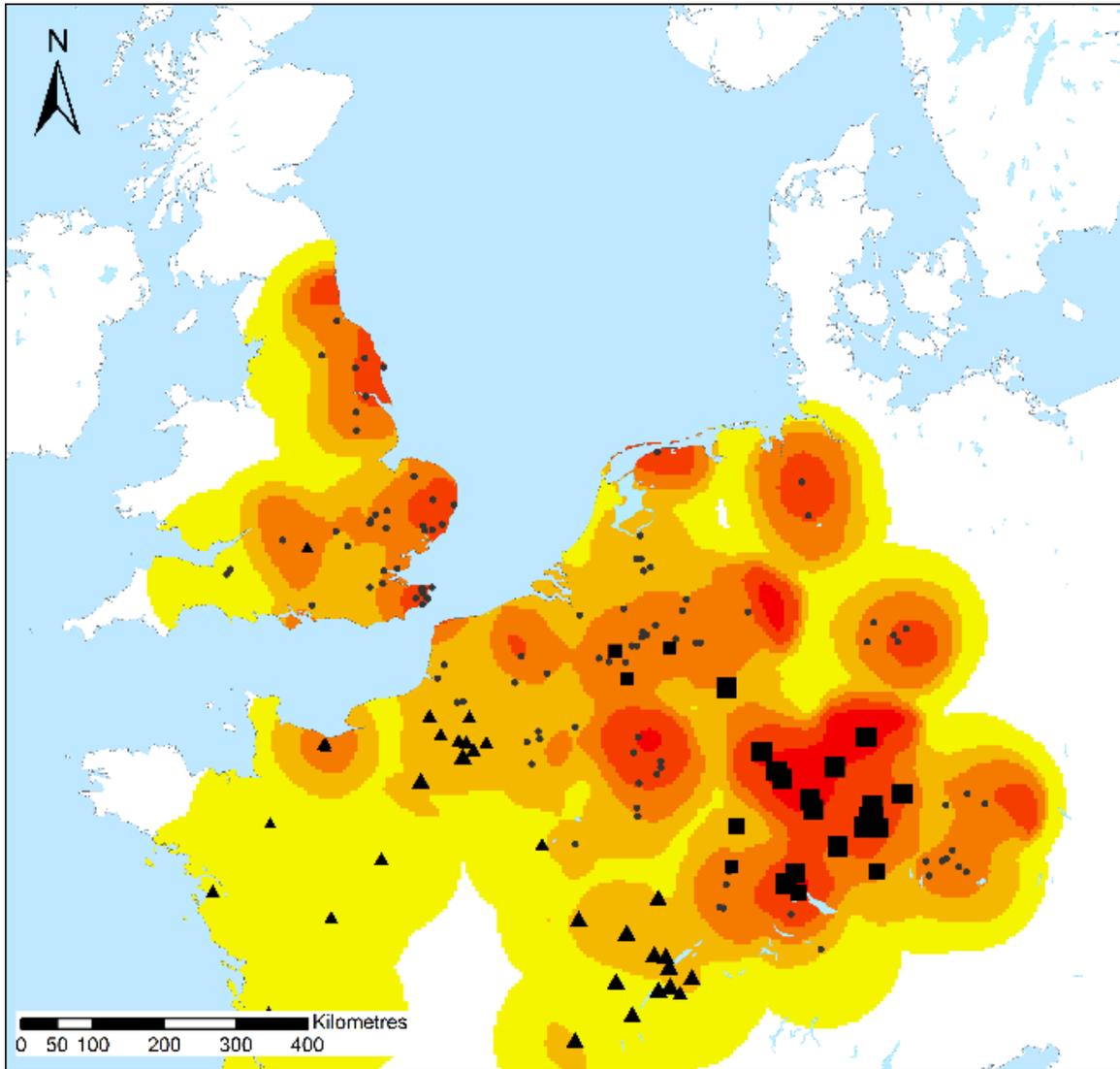


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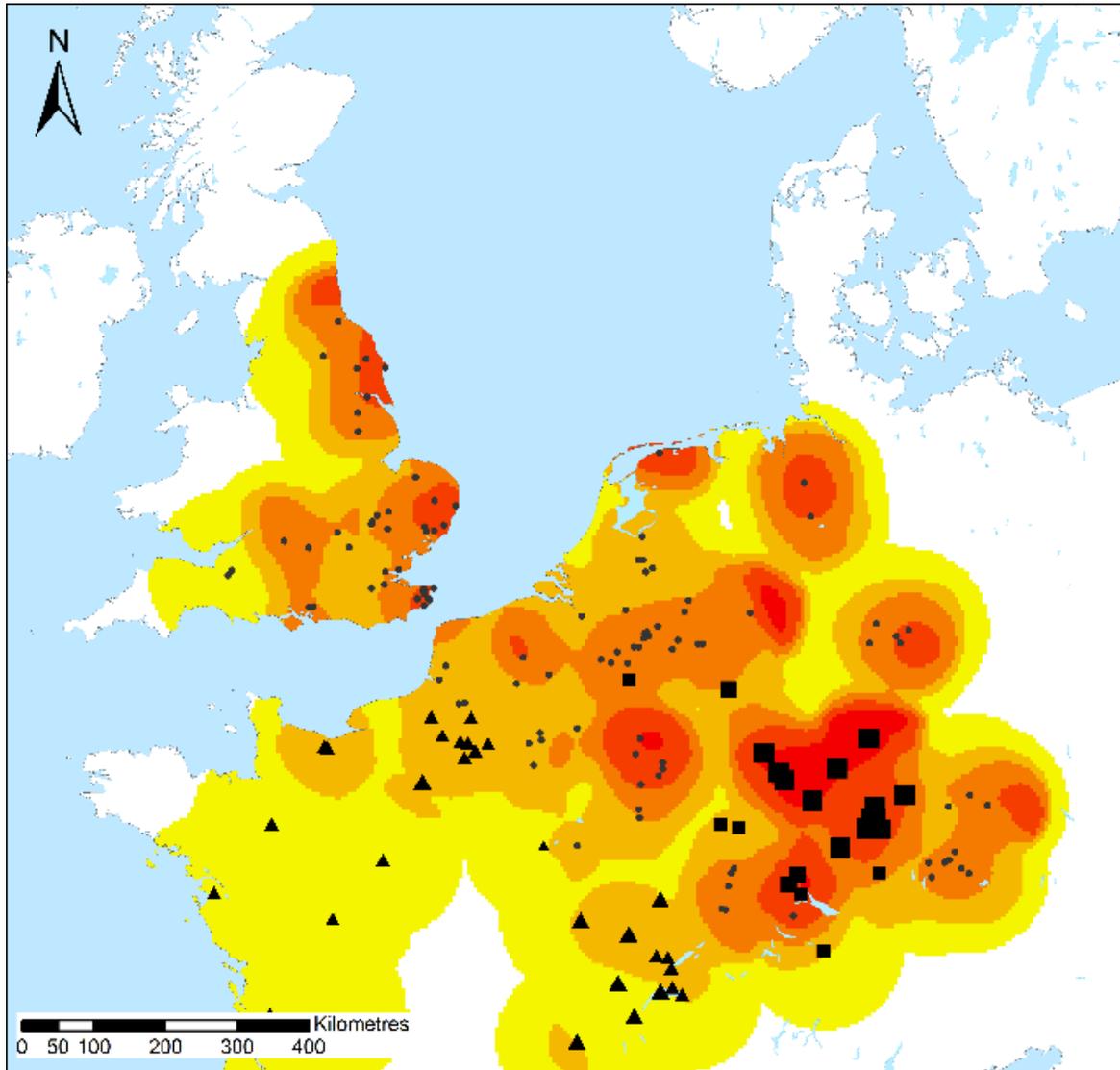


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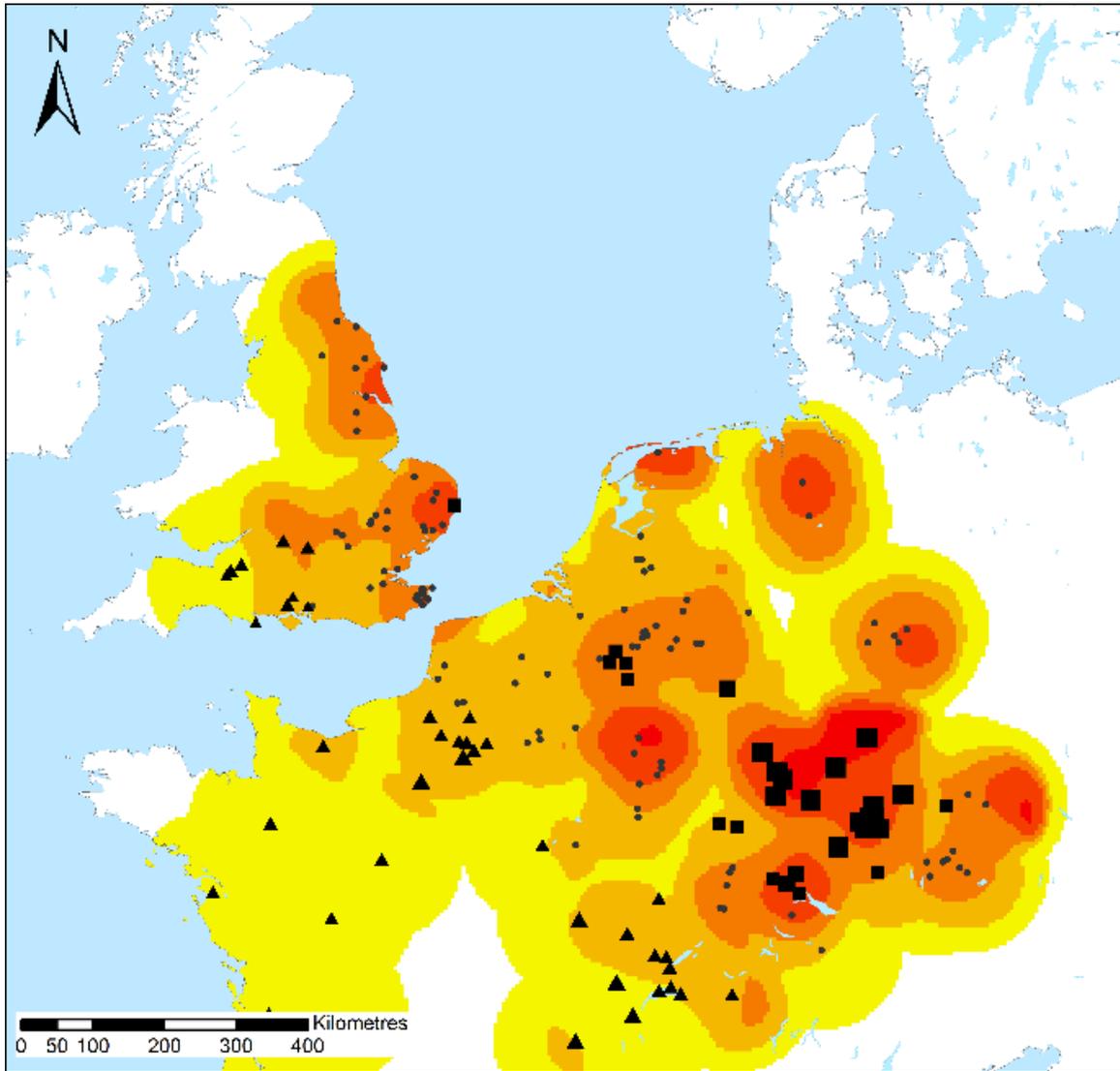


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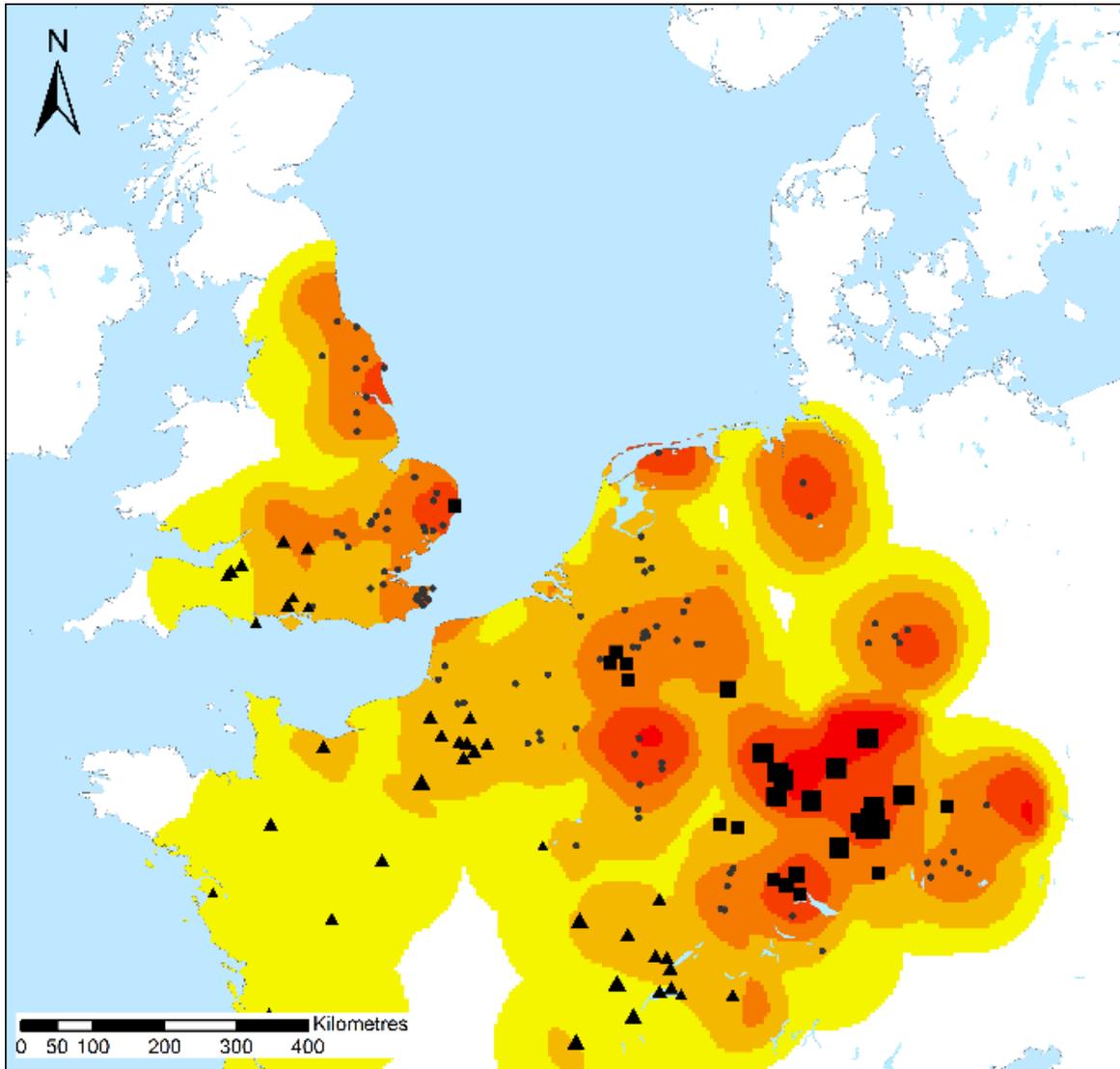


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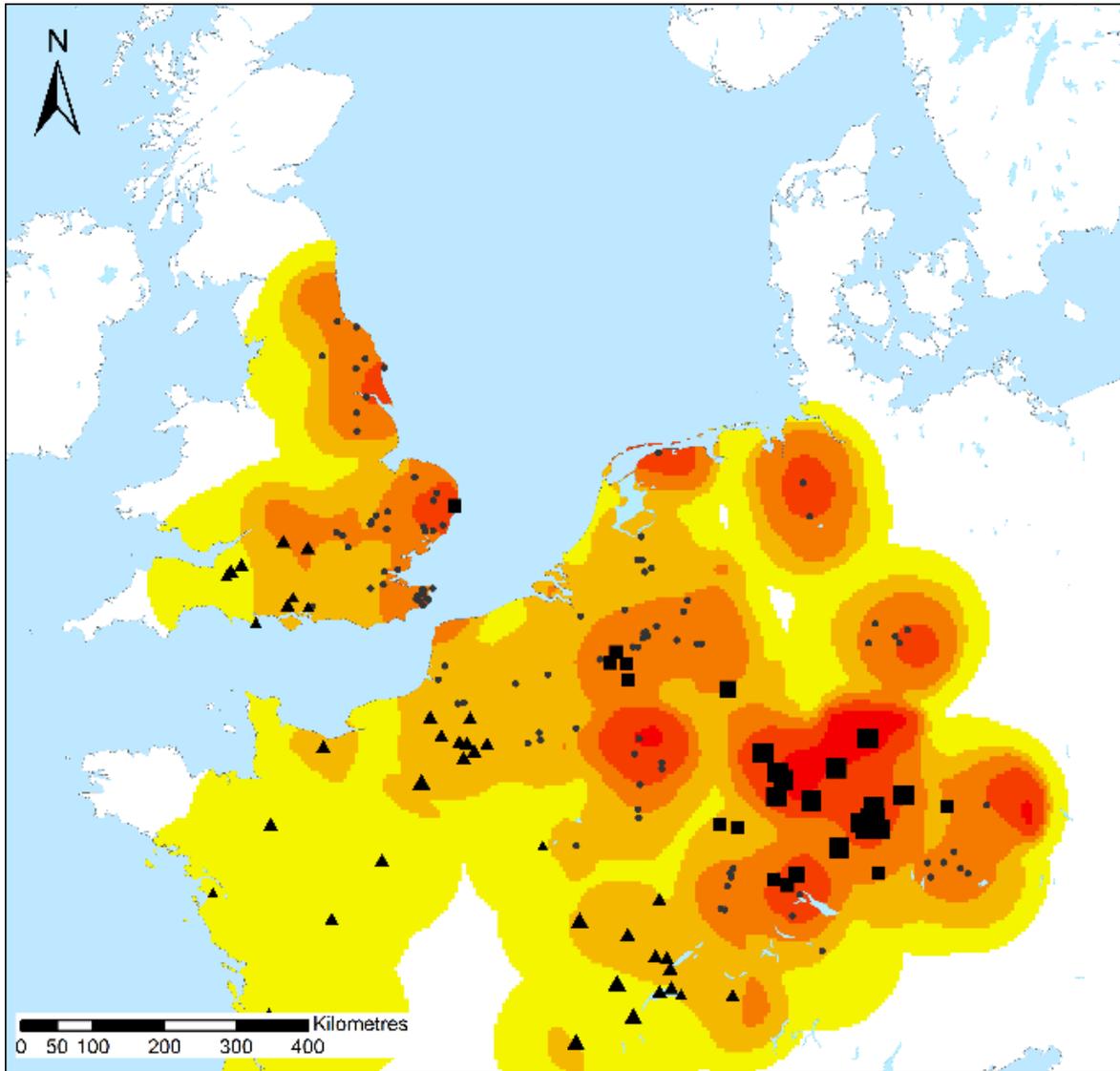


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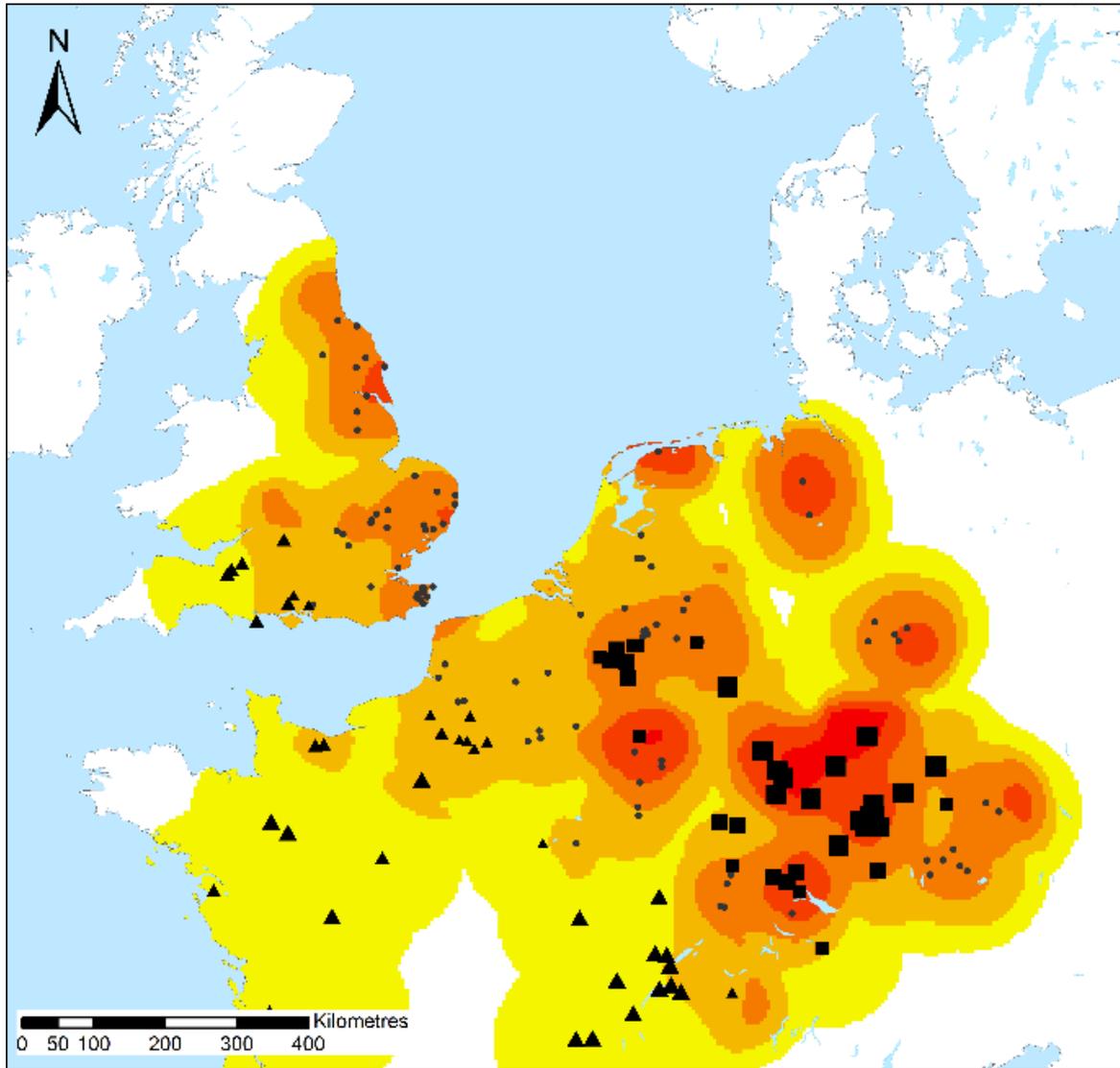


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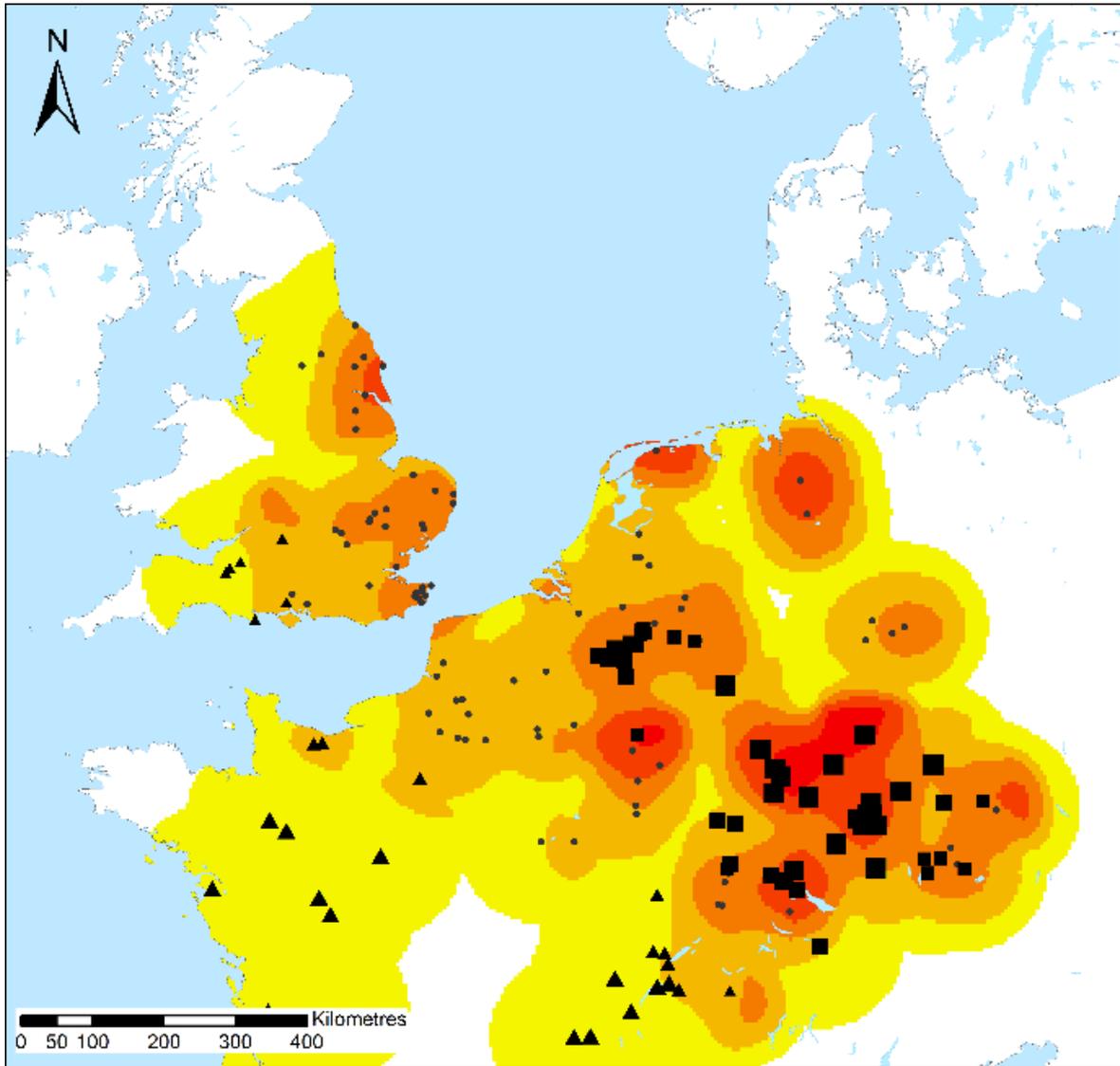


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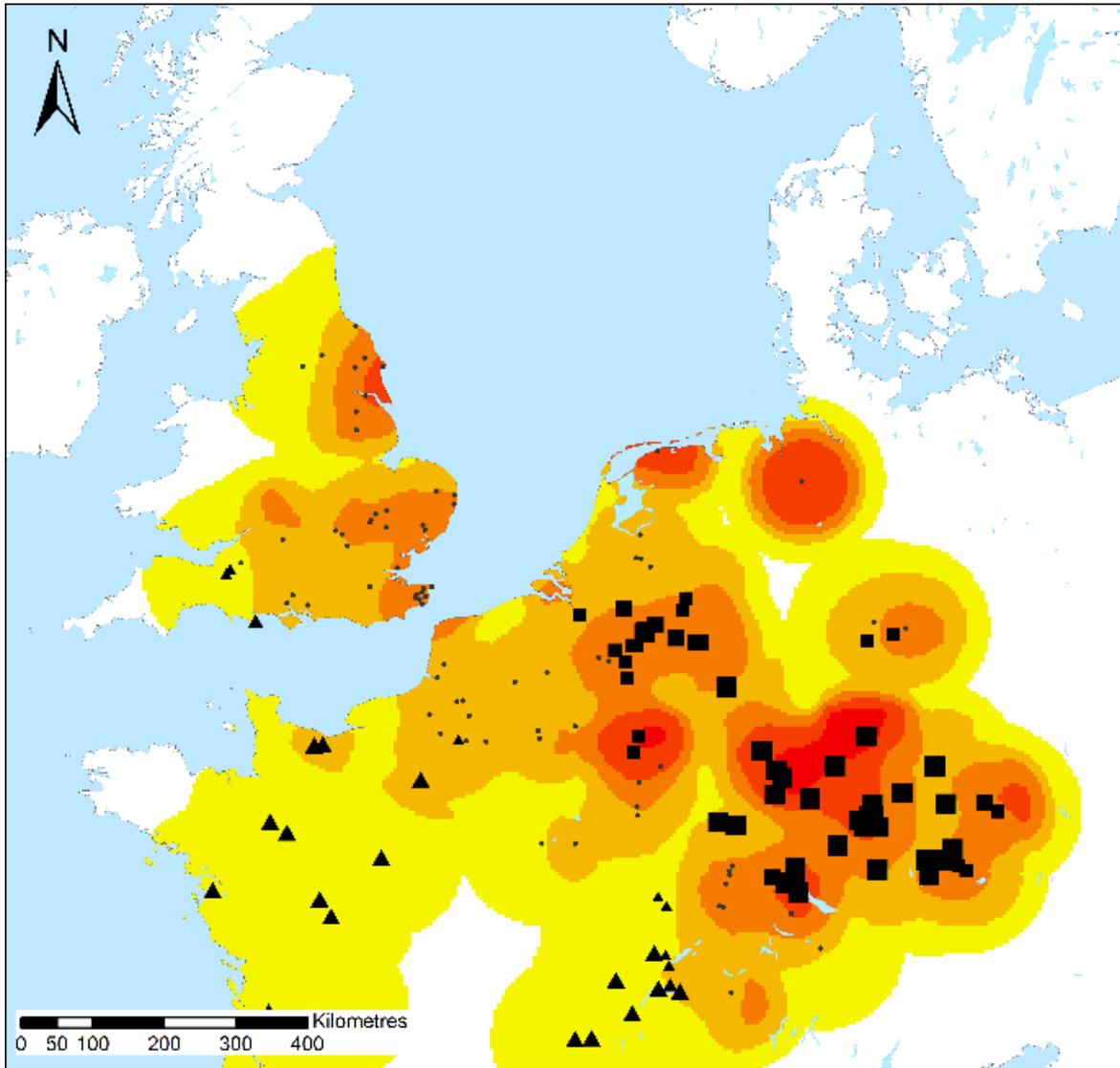


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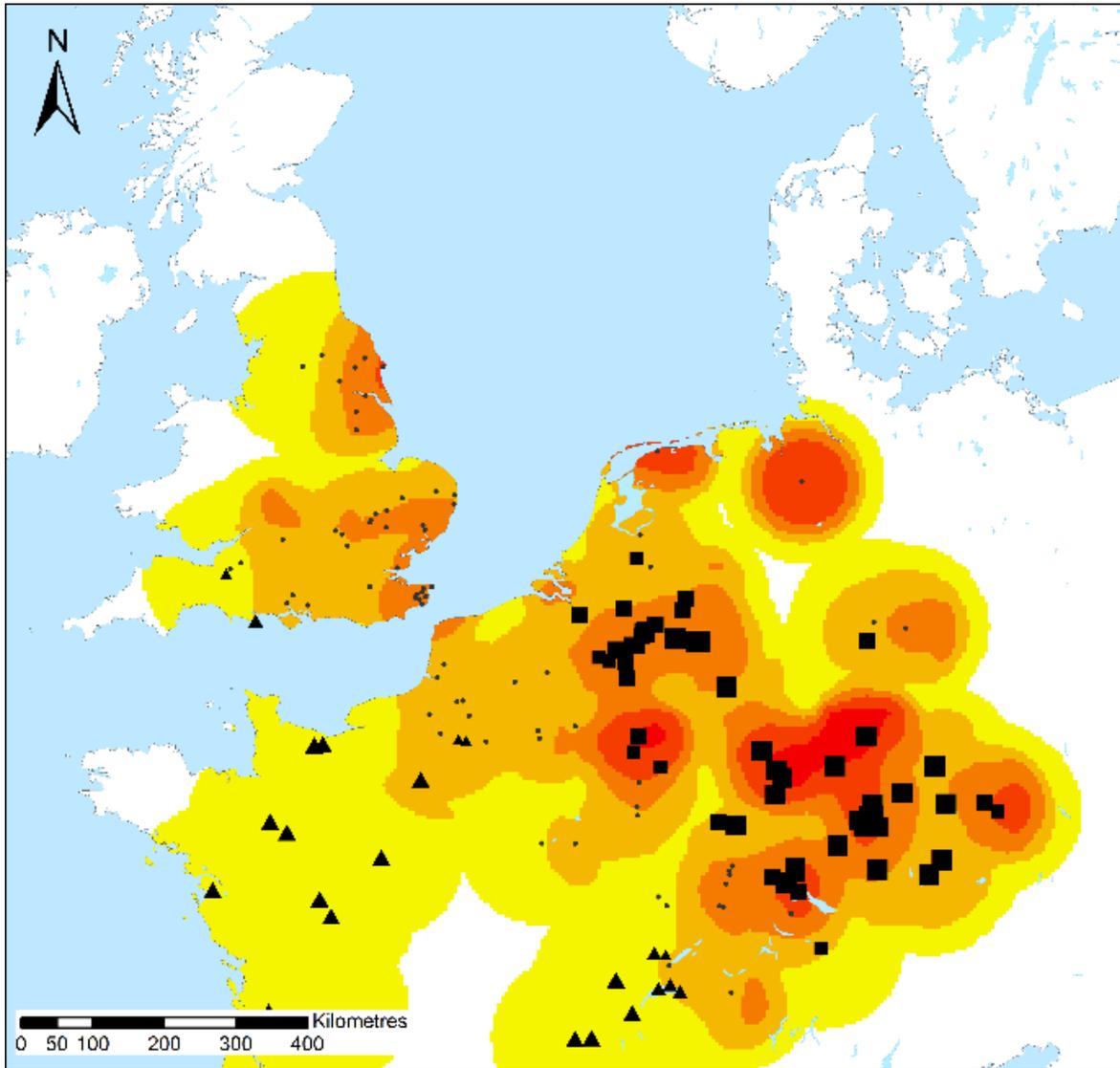


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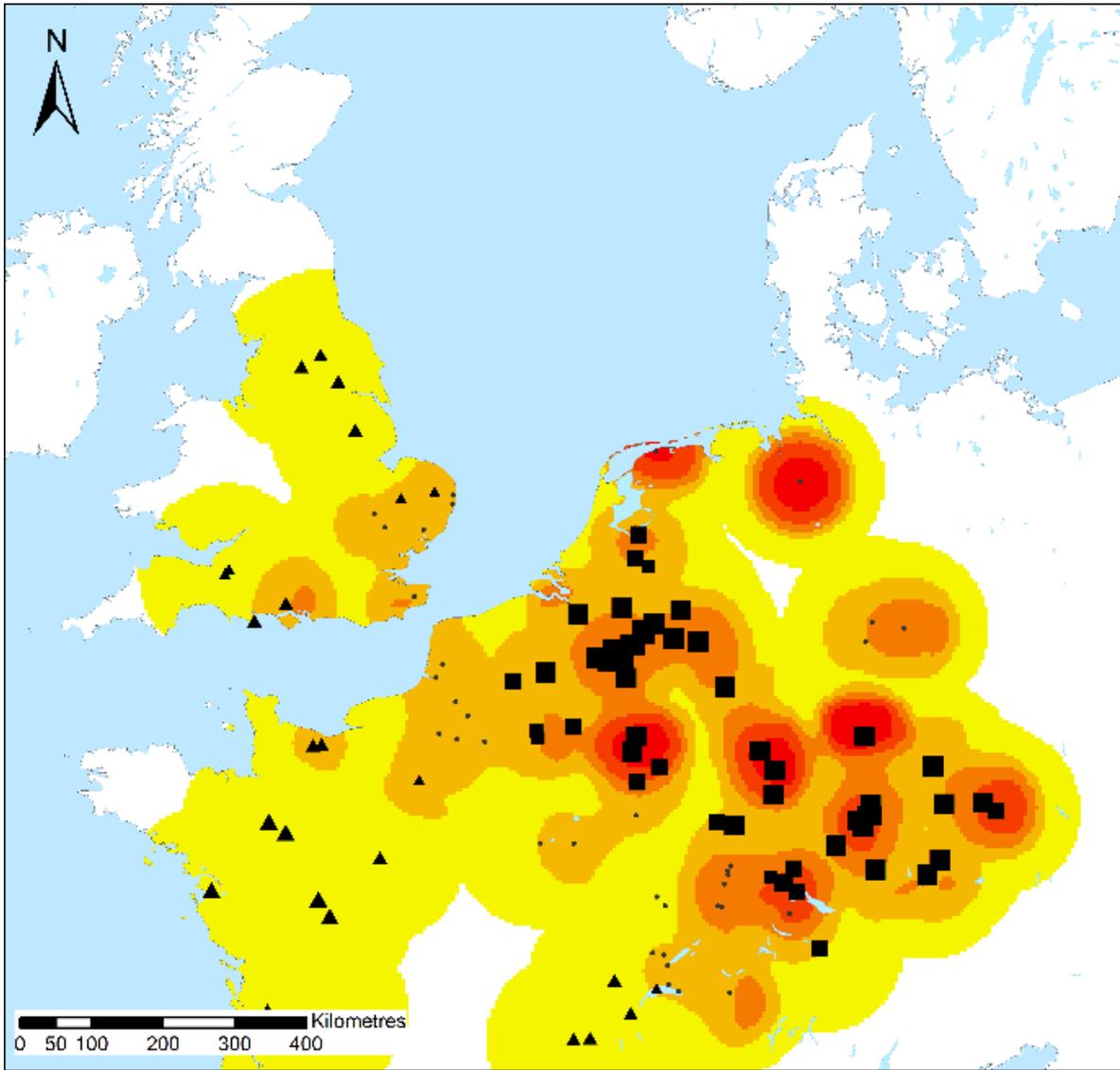


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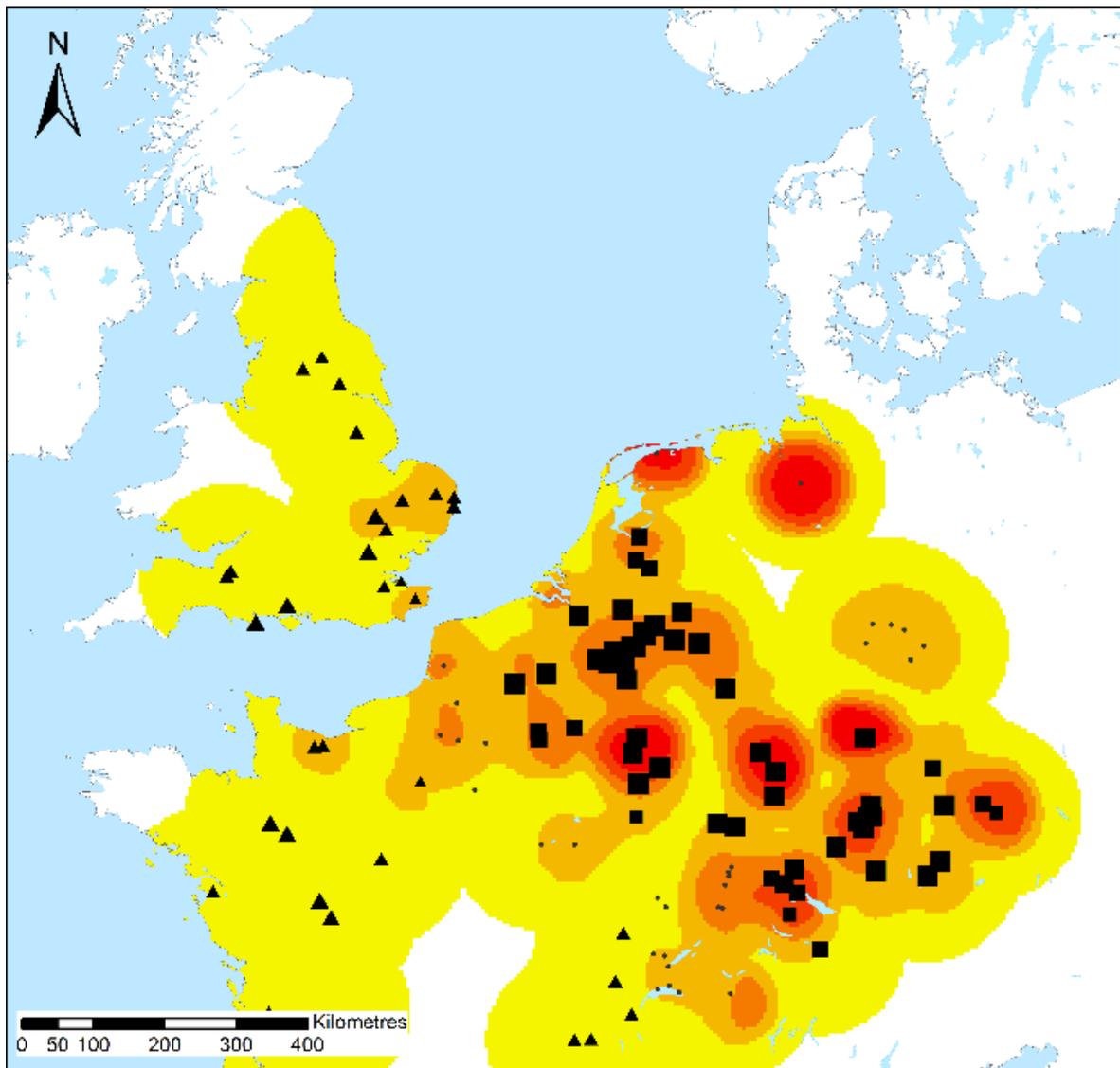


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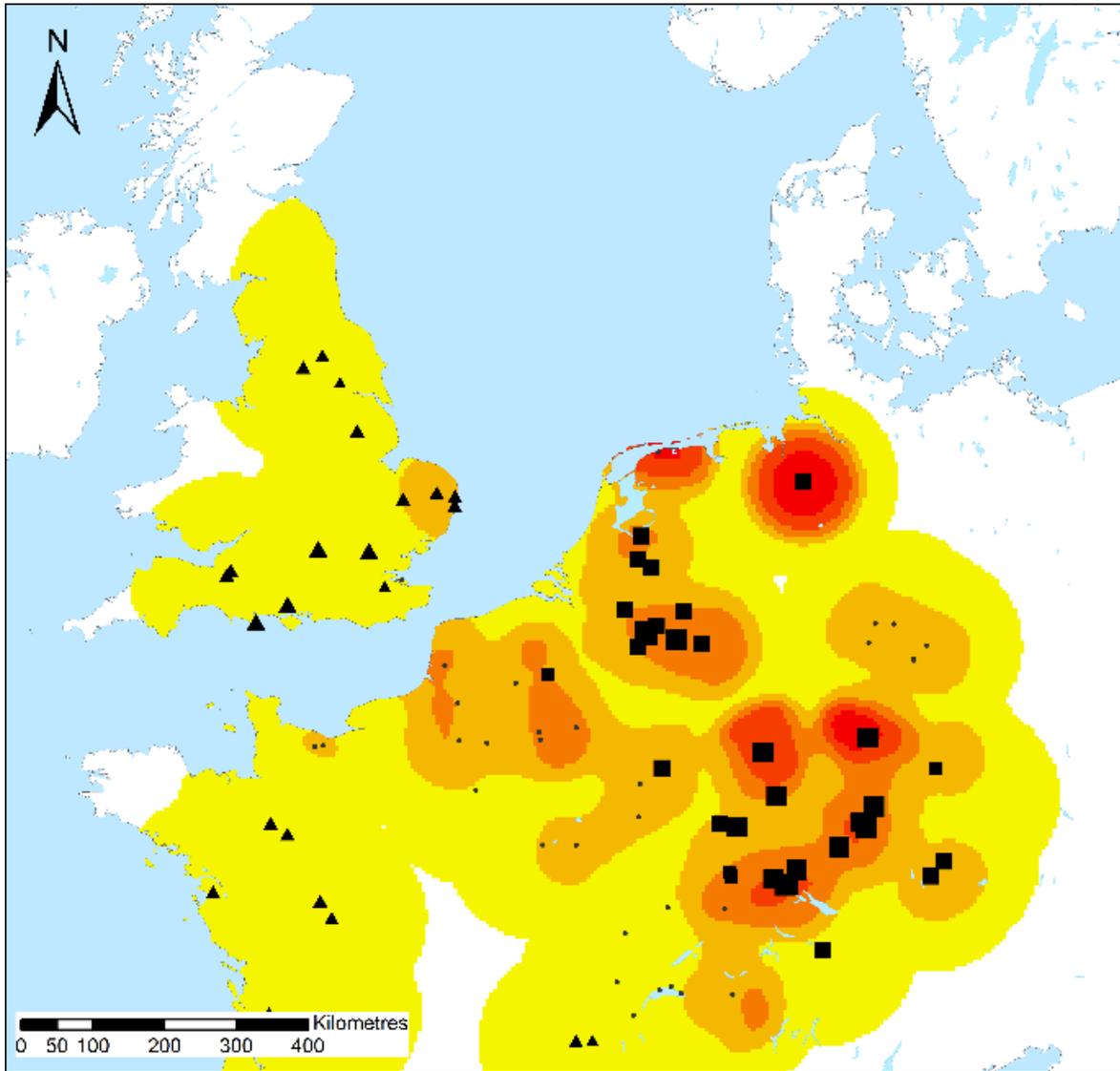


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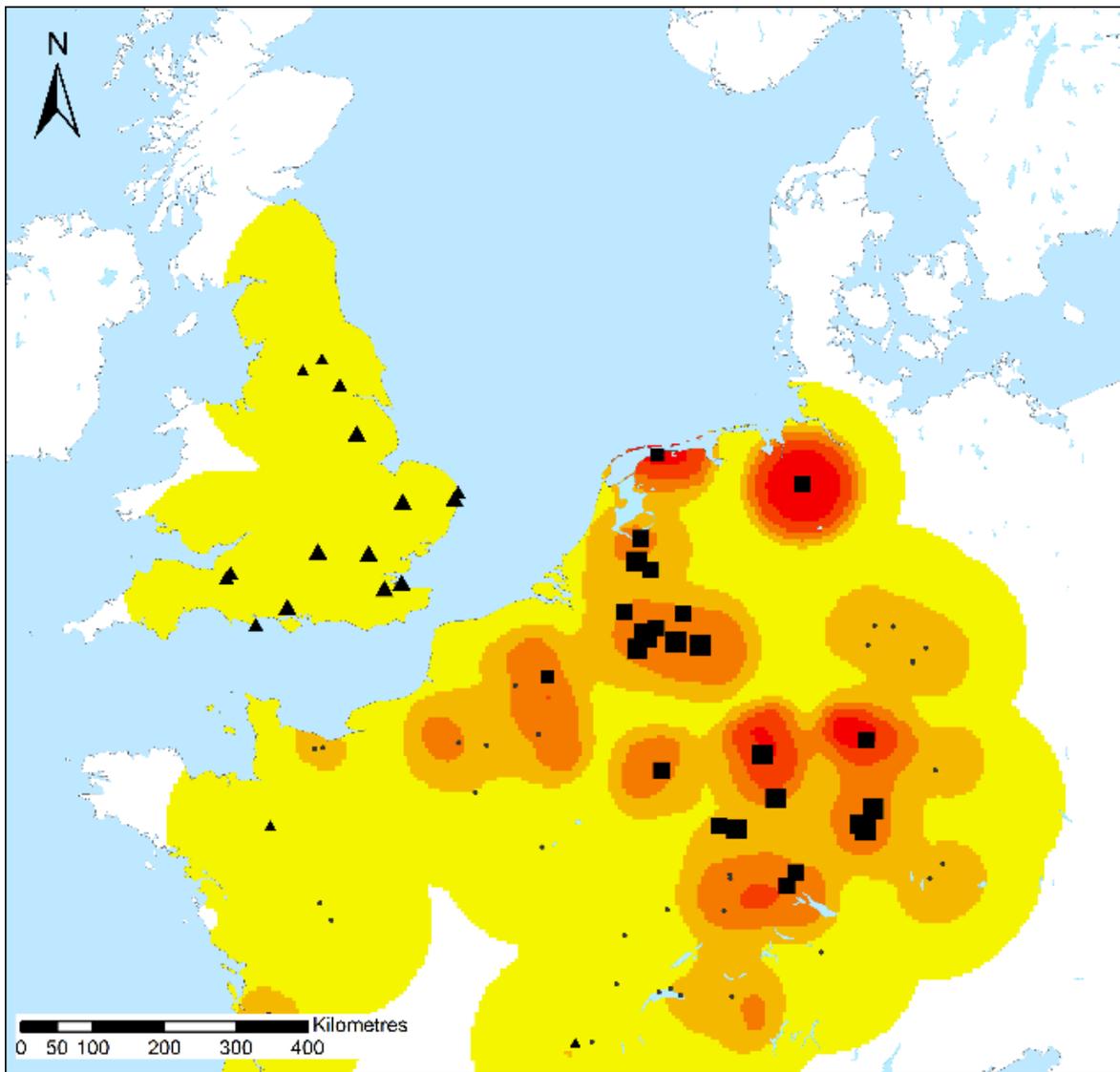


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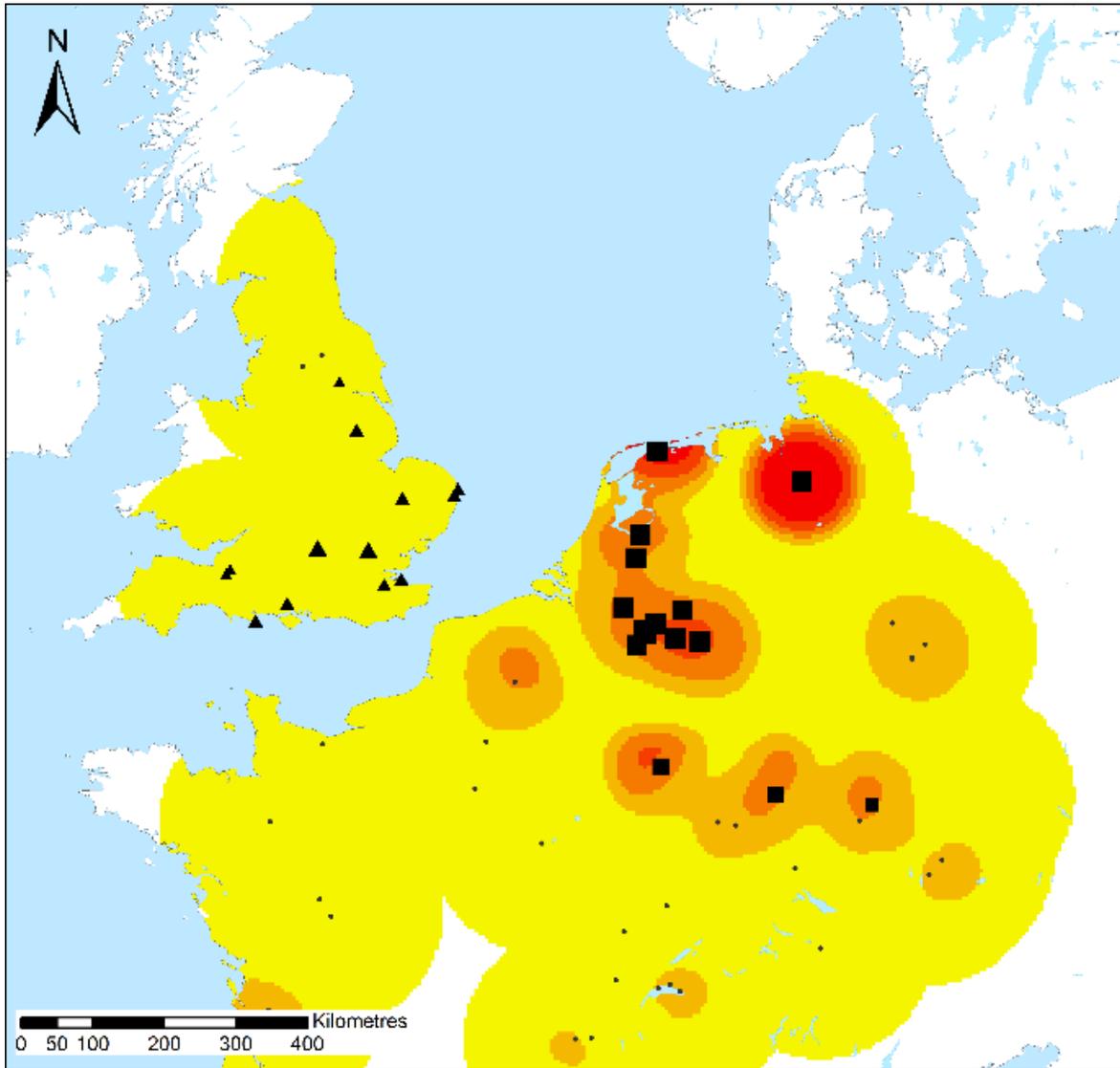


Figure S24. The relative KDE plot, with hot-spot analysis for AD 730 (figure by E. Brownlee).

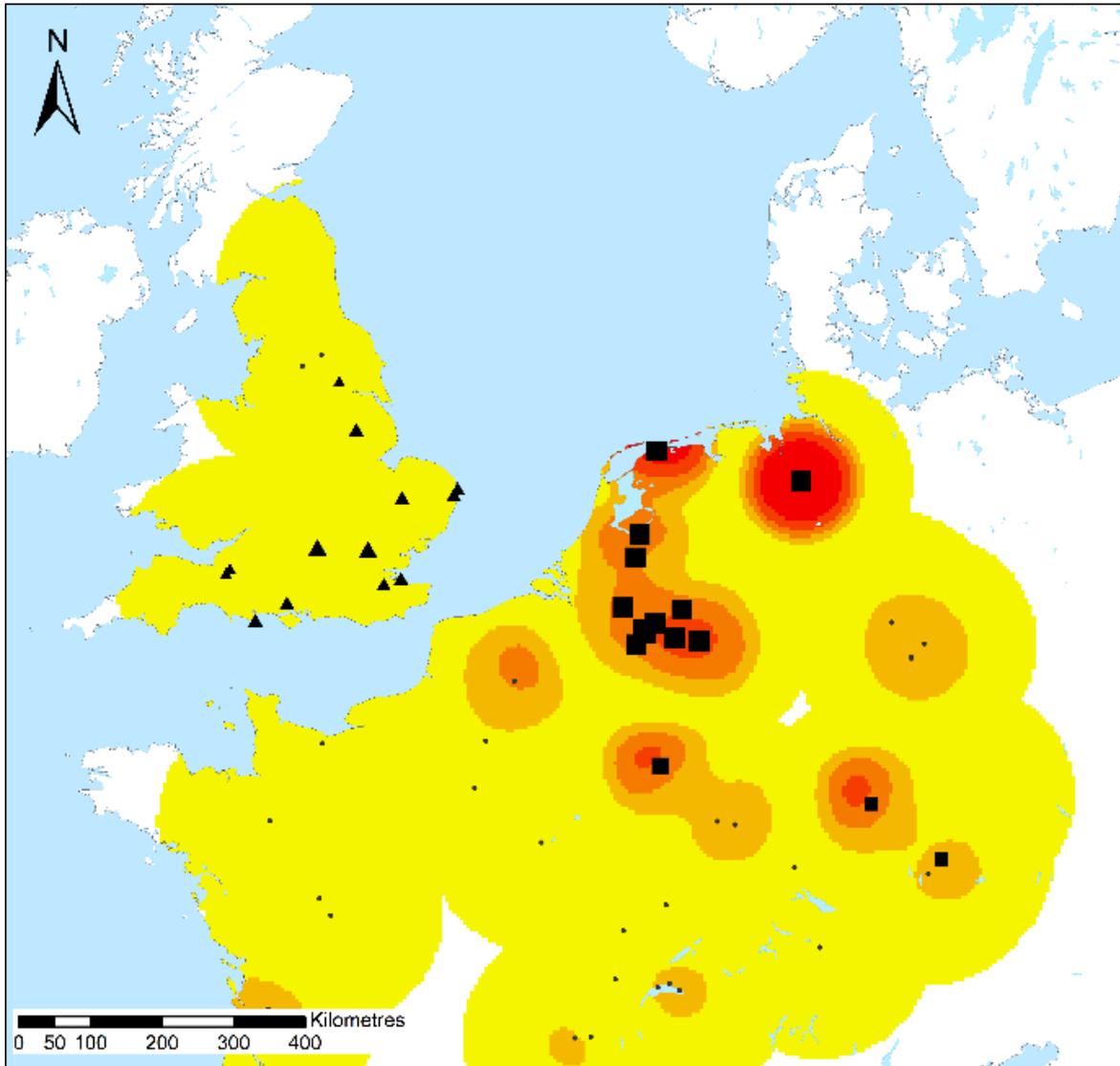


Figure S25. The relative KDE plot, with hot-spot analysis for AD 740 (figure by E. Brownlee).

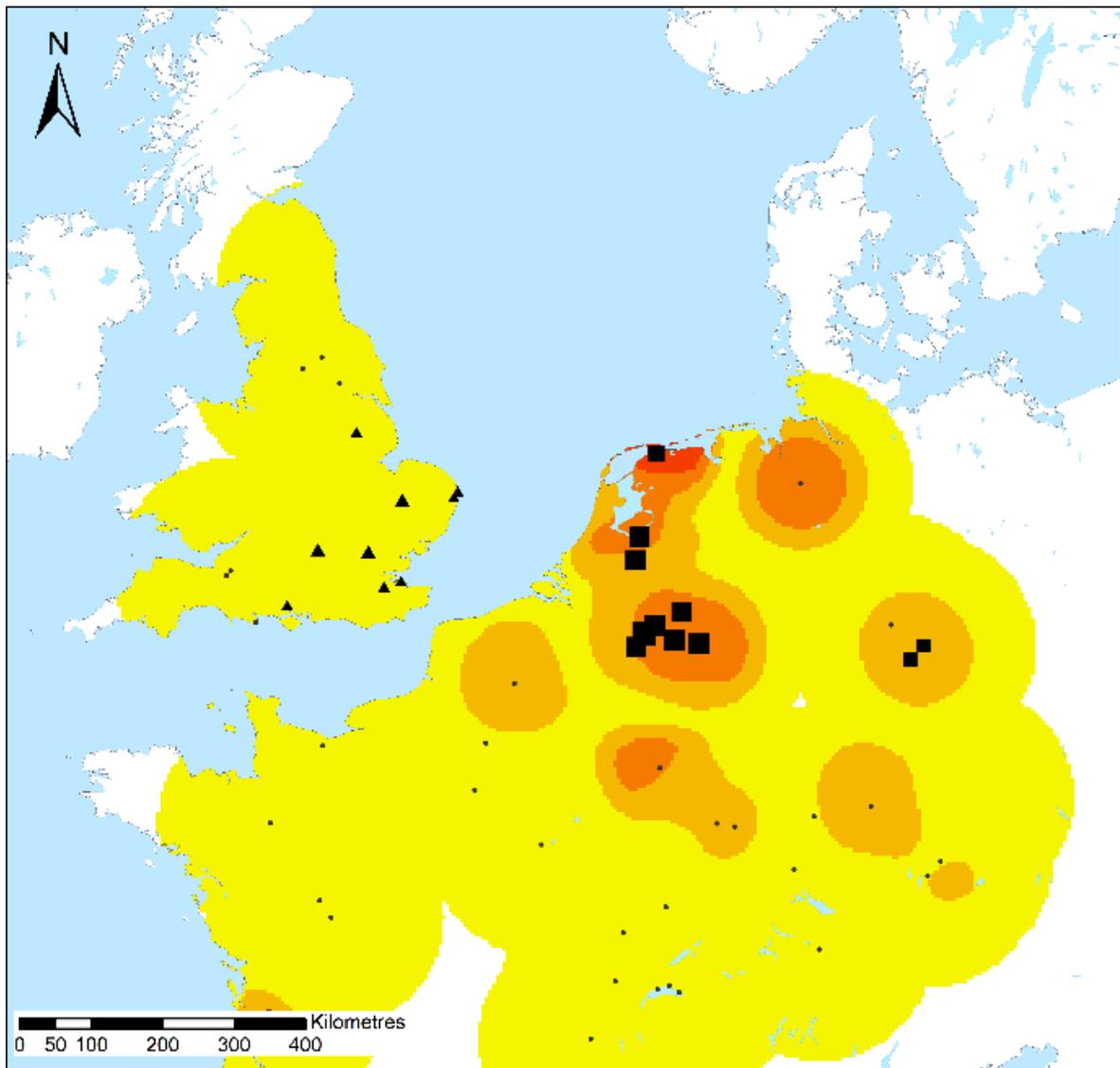


Figure S26. The relative KDE plot, with hot-spot analysis for AD 750 (figure by E. Brownlee).

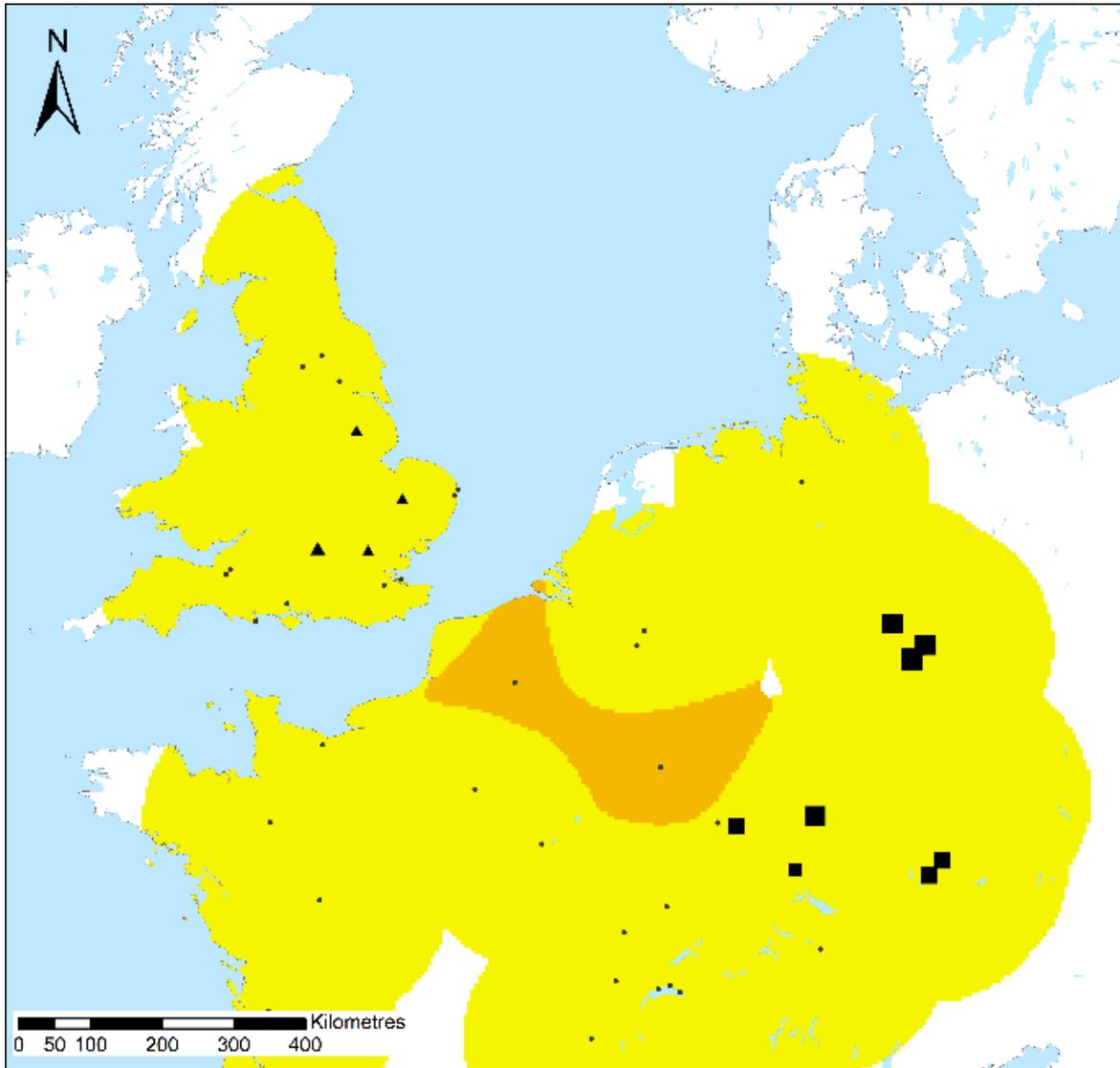


Figure S27. The relative KDE plot, with hot-spot analysis for AD 760 (figure by E. Brownlee).

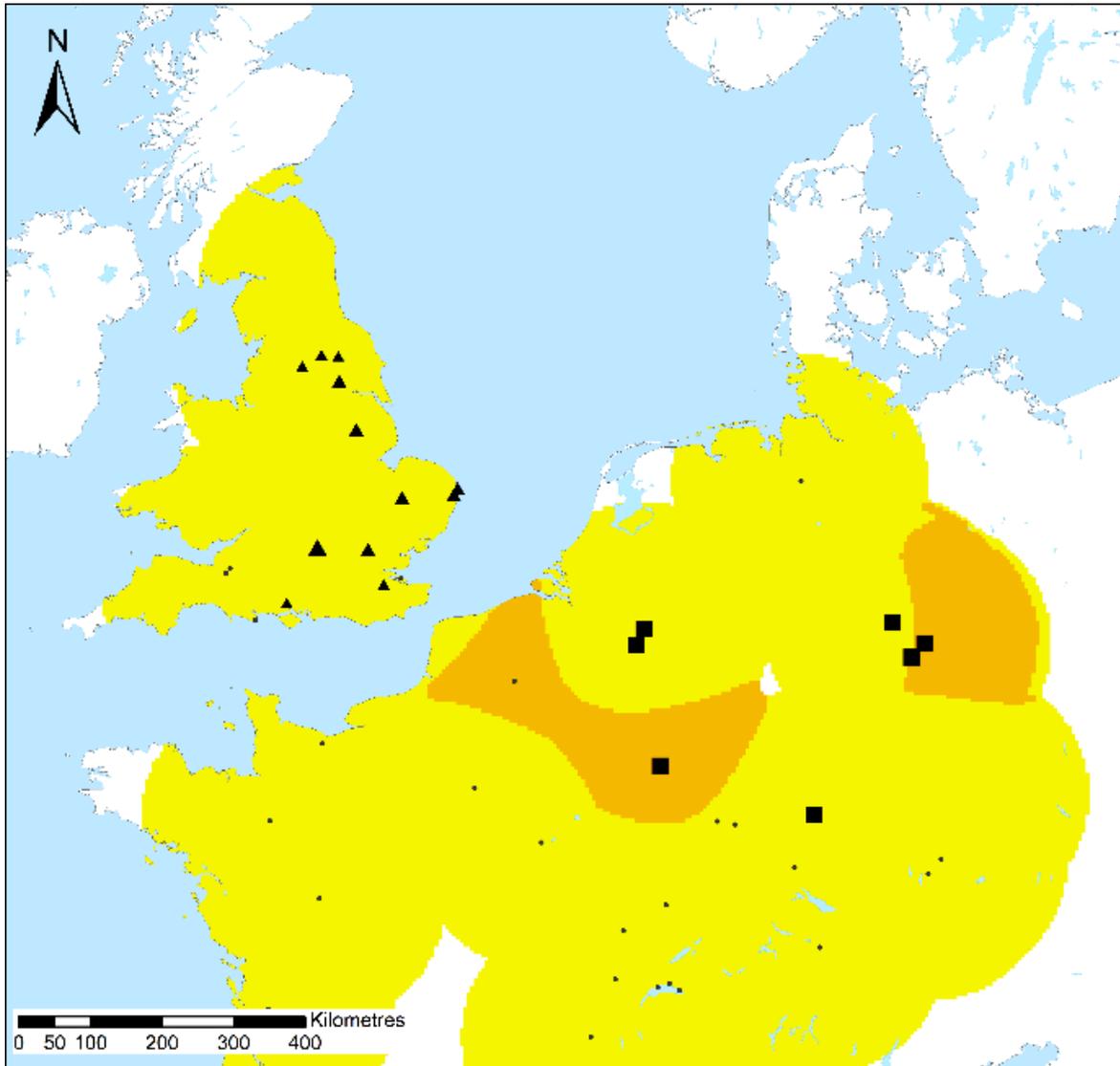


Figure S28. The relative KDE plot, with hot-spot analysis for AD 770 (figure by E. Brownlee).

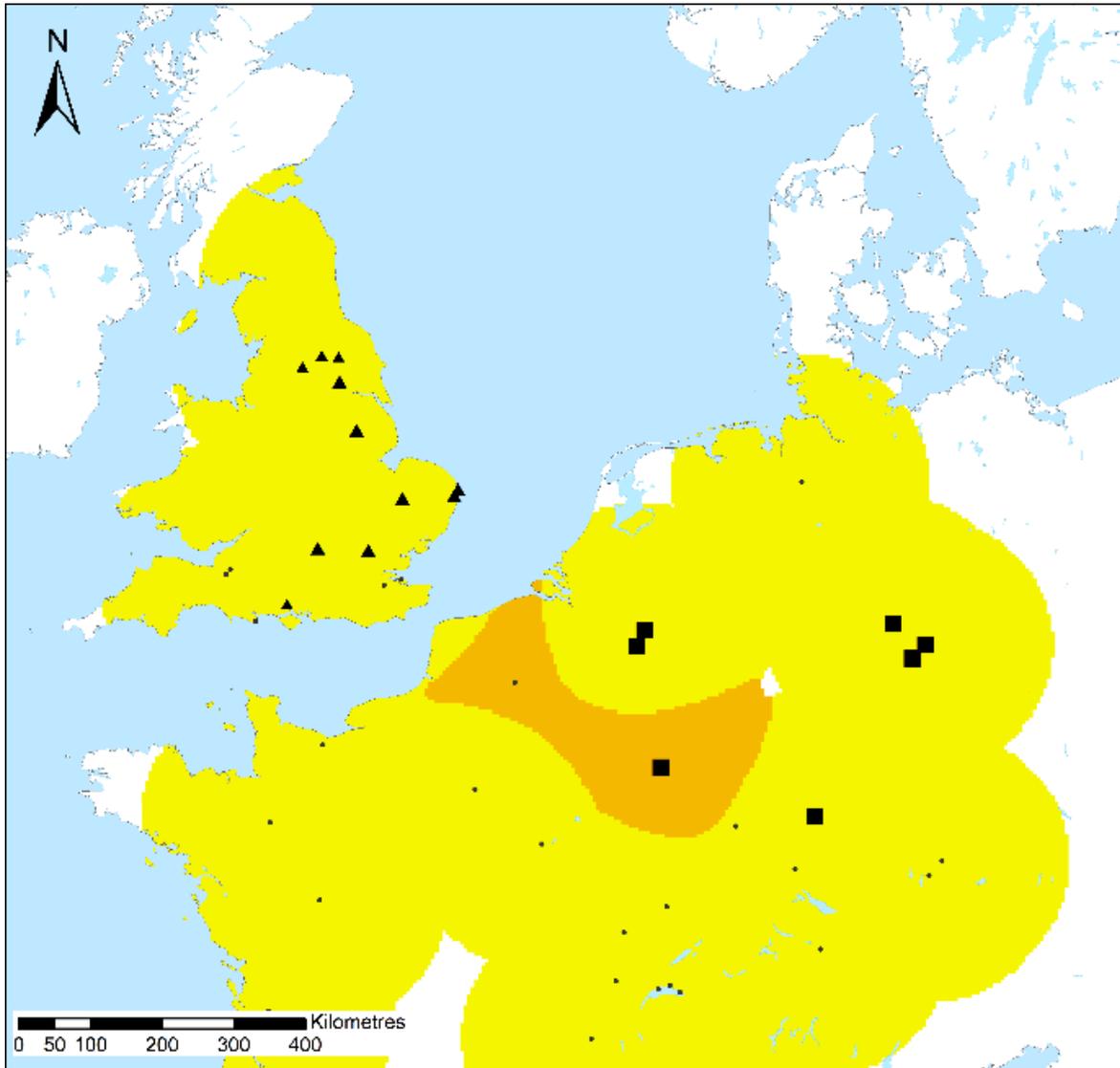


Figure S29. The relative KDE plot, with hot-spot analysis for AD 780 (figure by E. Brownlee).

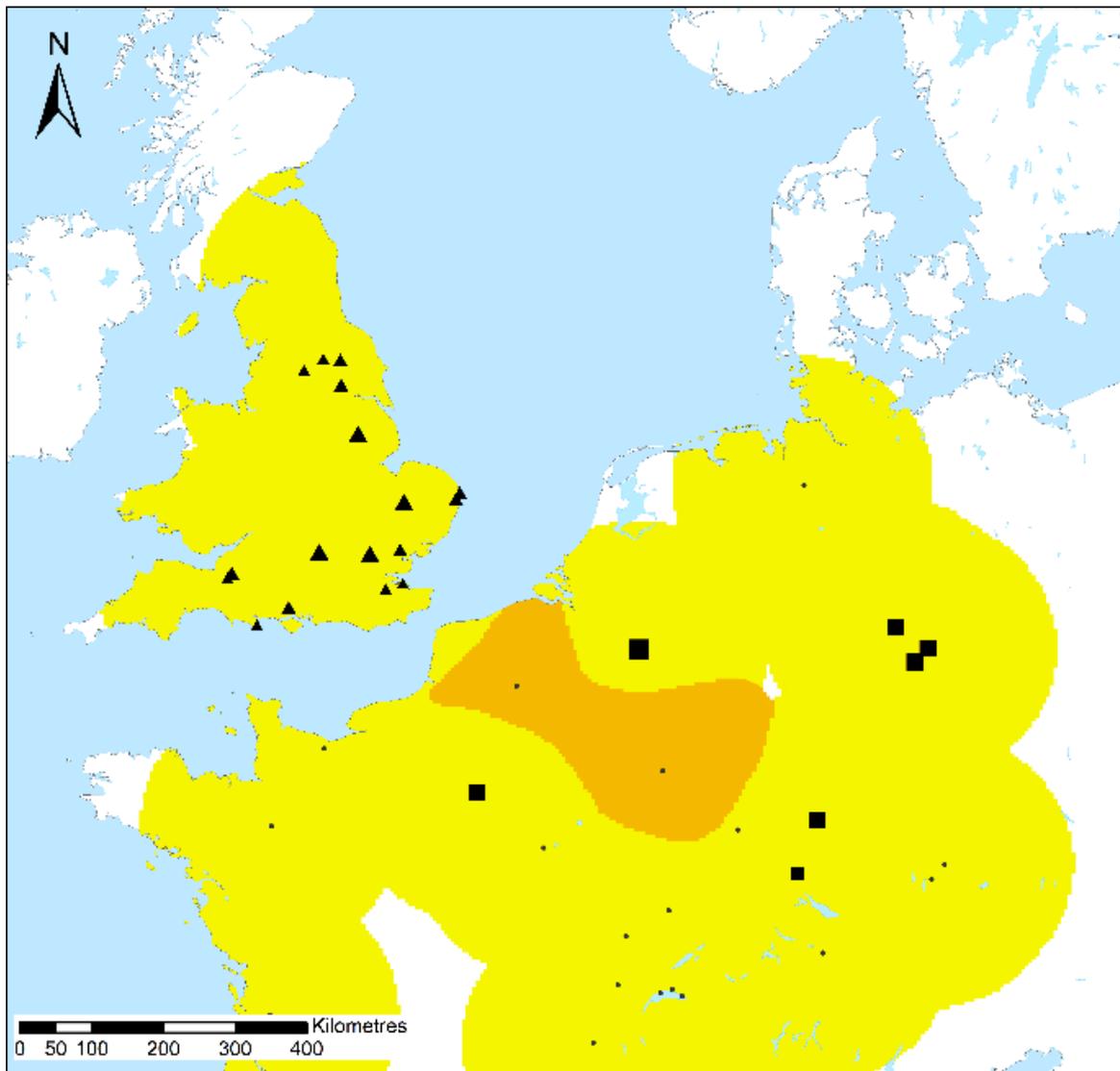


Figure S30. The relative KDE plot, with hot-spot analysis for AD 790–800 (figure by E. Brownlee).

Results of statistical analysis

Before carrying out any statistical test, the data were tested for normality using a Shapiro Wilk’s test. In all instances, the data was found to be non-normally distributed, and therefore the tests used were non-parametric. These are generally less powerful than parametric tests, but given the nature of the data, and indeed the nature of most archaeological data, they provide more reliable results.

The main statistical test used on the individual cemeteries was the Spearman’s rho. This measures the strength and direction of the correlation between two continuous or ordinal variables. It produces an r_s -value for the strength of a relationship, and a p-value for statistical significance. All analysis was carried out using IBM SPSS Statistics 23.

The use of null hypothesis testing in statistics has been critiqued as being too simplistic; too focused on whether or not a certain number crosses a line rather than the archaeological importance of those trends (Drennan 1996: 161–62). Therefore an alpha-level of 0.05 was used as a guideline, but the strength of the relationship, shown by the r_s -value, was considered equally important. R_s -values range from -1 to 1, where negative values indicate a negative correlation, positive values a positive correlation, and 0 indicates no correlation. Numbers from ± 0 -0.3 are usually considered weak correlations, ± 0.3 –0.5 are moderate, while anything greater than ± 0.5 is strong. If the p-value was above 0.05, but the relationship seemed to be a strong one of great importance, then this was still discussed as statistically significant. Likewise, if a relationship appeared weak and unimportant, this was dismissed as insignificant. This was a subjective decision, made on a case-by-case basis, rather than adhering to a strict numerical limit.

Table S2. Results of Spearman’s rho analysis, testing the correlation between the number of grave goods and the date of a grave.

Cemetery	R_s -value	P-value	N	Date trend visible for
Pleidelsheim	-0.286	0.0380	53	AD 590 onwards
Altenerding	-0.299	<0.0005	319	AD 520 onwards
Bulles	-0.381	<0.0005	220	AD 545 onwards
Rodingen	-0.245	0.0010	166	AD 580 onwards
Cutry	-0.319	<0.0005	179	AD 500 onwards

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