

Table S2 Hydrologic modeling of modern and paleo-lake systems, Lake Nasser end-member

Lake systems		Paleolake: Darfur	Fezzan	Chad	modern Lake Nasser	reference
measured physical parameters						
lake area	A _w	km ²	32288	126500	344724	NA (1)
land area	A _L	km ²	91912	203000	1185802	NA (1)
lake area ratio	a _w	-	0.26	0.38	0.23	1.00 (1)
land area ratio	a _b	-	0.74	0.62	0.77	0.00
lake highstand elevation	masl	m	573	521	325	179
pressure	P	kPa	94.78	95.37	97.59	99.28
mean annual air temperature	MAT	°C	NA	NA	NA	24.69 (2)
mean annual lake temperarature	MALT	°C	NA	NA	NA	21.3 (2)
wind speed	U	m sec ⁻¹	NA	NA	NA	3.9 (2)
Lake Nasser end-member						
Radiation						
clear sky radiation (no clouds)	R ₀	MJ m ⁻² day ⁻¹	27.15	26.13	27.34	27.15 (2)
fractional cloud cover	c	-	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10
clear sky radiation (with clouds)	R _{sw}	MJ m ⁻² day ⁻¹	24.43	23.52	24.61	27.05
surface albedo	α	-	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07 (3)
net shortwave absorbed at surface	R _{sw} (1-α)	MJ m ⁻² day ⁻¹	22.72	21.87	22.89	25.15
surface emissivity	ε	-	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96 (5)
net longwave emitted from surface	R _{LW}	MJ m ⁻² day ⁻¹	1.3	1.1	1.3	5.2 (6)
net radiation at surface	R _n =R _{sw} (1-α)-R _{LW}	MJ m ⁻² day ⁻¹	21.5	20.7	21.6	20.0
angstrom ratio	A	-	0.146	0.146	0.146	0.146 (4,5)
assumed physical parameters						
surface air temperature	T	°C	24.69	24.69	24.69	24.69 (2)
surface water temperature	T	°C	21.33	21.33	21.33	21.33 (2)
wind speed assumed	U	m sec ⁻¹	3.97	3.97	3.97	3.97 (2)
Models						
Hastenrath and Kutzbach						
Bowen ratio	B	-	0.2		0.21	(6)
evaporation (latent heat equiv.)	LE=R/(1+B)	W m ⁻²	18		17	

evaporation rate	E	mm yr ⁻¹	2933	2708		
Priestly-Taylor						
slope of sat vapor curve	Δ	kPa °C ⁻¹	0.19	0.19	0.19	0.19 (7)
T-P constant	$\alpha(P-T)$	-	1.26	1.26	1.26	1.26 (7)
psychometric constant	γ	kPa °C ⁻¹	0.06	0.06	0.07	0.07 (7)
latent heat of vaporization	λ	MJ kg ⁻¹	2.44	2.44	2.44	2.44 (7)
evaporation rate	E	mm yr ⁻¹	3018	2909	3016	2777 (7)
Penman combination						
sat. vapor pressure	e_s	kPa	3.11	3.11	3.11	3.11 (7)
vapor pressure measured	e_a	mb	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00 (7)
wind speed	Y	m sec ⁻¹	1.95	1.95	1.95	1.95 (7)
psychometric constant	γ	kPa °C ⁻¹	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07 (7)
evaporation due to wind	Ea	mm day ⁻¹	0.59	0.59	0.59	0.59 (7)
slope of saturation vs T de/dT	Δ	kPa °C ⁻¹	0.19	0.19	0.19	0.19 (7)
Evaporation rate	E	mm day ⁻¹	6.73	6.60	6.81	6.54 (7)
Evaporation rate	E	mm yr ⁻¹	2455	2409	2486	2388 (7)
Results						
assumed Nasser runoff coefficient	k	-	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005
Precipitation	P	mm yr⁻¹	2420	2390	2444	2388 constant run-off coefficient

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