

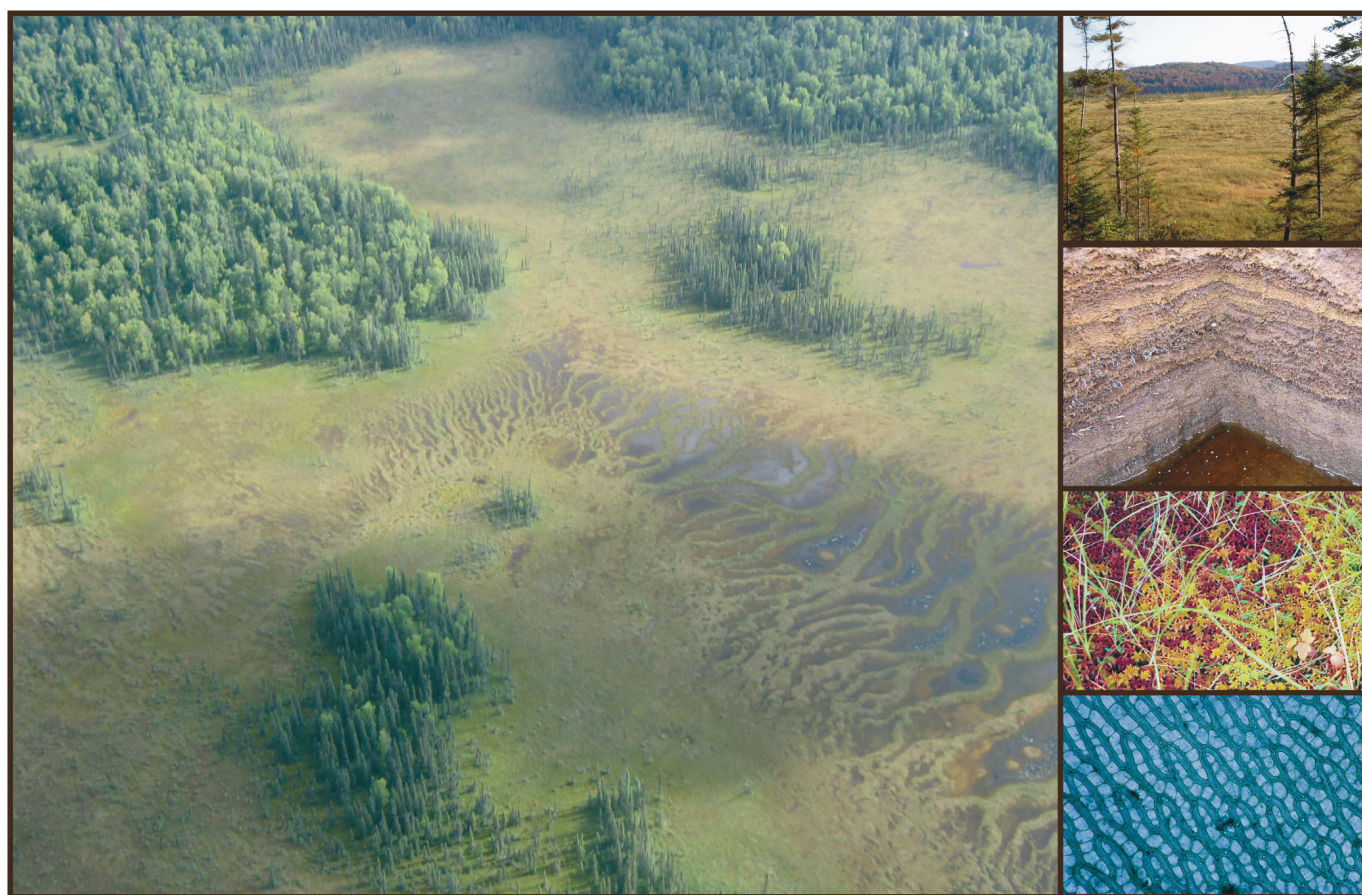
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Peatlands: Paleoenvironments and Carbon Dynamics

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Peatlands are globally significant carbon reservoirs, and also comprise rich archives of past climatic and environmental change and carbon flux. This issue of PAGES news spotlights recent applications of peatland archives relevant to understanding the past, present and future of Earth. This composite image shows components of peatlands at varying scales; an aerial photo of an Alaskan peatland, a New York peatland at ground-level, an excavated Argentinean peat section, a close up of a Sphagnum (moss) peatland surface, and a photomicrograph of Sphagnum leaf cells. Photo credits on back cover.