

1 **Changes in morphological characteristics of drainage basins**  
2 **following coseismic landslides by the 2018 Hokkaido Eastern**  
3 **Iburi Earthquake**

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31 **Abstract**

32 The 2018 Hokkaido Eastern Iwate Earthquake (Mj 6.7) caused  
33 numerous coseismic landslides ( $n = 7837$ ) covering over 700 km<sup>2</sup>. This  
34 study aims to identify the post-earthquake morphological changes in  
35 drainage basins affected by the landslides, with particular interests in  
36 fluvial and slope processes. The study site is a catchment along the  
37 Atsuma River with less artificial modifications after the earthquake.  
38 Elevation Models (DEMs) of October 2012 and September 2018 with  
39 multi-temporal DEMs and orthorectified images in April to October 2020  
40 were used, by which drainage basin morphology, channel network  
41 extraction, drainage patterns, stream profile analysis, gullies,  
42 morphological change detection and morphometric parameter analysis  
43 were conducted. Geomorphometric analysis was performed using  
44 Geographical Information System (GIS) to characterize the post-  
45 earthquake morphological changes including watershed geometry,  
46 channel networks, drainage texture, reliefs, and stream profiles. We infer  
47 that, based on the increase in stream length and bifurcation ratio,  
48 channels on bare slope surfaces developed progressively and potentially  
49 higher surface runoff is expected. With the interactions between fluvial  
50 and slope processes, as well as the assists by freeze-thaw actions on bare

51 soil surfaces, further soil erosion and slope deformations are expected.

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53 **Key words:** 2018 Hokkaido Eastern Iburi Earthquake, Drainage  
54 basin, Morphological changes, Coseismic landslides.

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## 57 I. Introduction

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59 An intense earthquake can cause drastic slope deformations by  
60 coseismic landslides, while continuous changes in slopes, fluvial  
61 channels, and drainage patterns are also expected during post-earthquake  
62 periods. High-magnitude earthquakes and related coseismic landslides  
63 often generate large volumes of mobile sediment in catchments (Keefer,  
64 1984; Keefer, 1994; Wang et al., 2015), which was expected as a key role  
65 in the long-term erosional budget (Keefer, 1994; Parker et al., 2011;  
66 Roback et al., 2018). Spatial distribution of coseismic landslides are  
67 directly related to the distribution of landslide debris, especially coarser  
68 ones, in connected channels (Li et al., 2015), and its connectivity for a  
69 long term should be related to the catchment-wide geomorphological  
70 dynamics including sediment cascades. Therefore, investigation on the  
71 sediment connectivity between landslides and channels is crucial for  
72 assessing the increase or decrease in the sediment yield in the catchments  
73 for decadal or century scales (Koi et al., 2008; Li et al., 2015).

74 The 2018 Hokkaido Eastern Iburi Earthquake (Mj 6.7) (Japan  
75 Meteorological Agency 2019a) caused numerous coseismic landslides ( $n$   
76 = 7837) covering over 700 km<sup>2</sup> (Wang et al., 2019), for which the  
77 Tarumae-d tephra layer with fine-grained texture and high water  
78 infiltration capacity was considered as the inherent factor (Kokusho and  
79 Fujita, 2001; Kasai and Yamada, 2019; Ishimaru et al., 2020). Numerous

80 investigations have been carried out for the mechanisms of coseismic  
81 landslides in Eastern Iburi region (e.g., Ishimaru et al., 2019; Ishimaru  
82 et al., 2020; Kasai and Yamada, 2019; Mizugaki et al., 2019; Wang et al.,  
83 2019), but assessments of long-term, post-earthquake changes in drainage  
84 basin characteristics including slope and fluvial processes are relatively  
85 limited. Even gradual, such post-earthquake changes may cause increase  
86 in sediment yield with different patterns (Li et al., 2015; Mizugaki et al.,  
87 2019), and it is necessary to continuously monitor the post-earthquake  
88 changes in slope and fluvial characteristics in the Iburi region.

89 The present research aims to assess the changes in morphological  
90 characteristics of drainage basins following the coseismic landslides by  
91 the 2018 Hokkaido Eastern Iburi Earthquake, and explore slope and  
92 fluvial processes affecting the morphological changes.

## 94 II. Study Area

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96 A large amount of coseismic landslides were formed around  
97 Atsuma and Abira Towns in southern Hokkaido with the 2018 Hokkaido  
98 Eastern Iburi Earthquake at 03:07 am on September 6<sup>th</sup> (Japan  
99 Meteorological Agency 2019a), whose epicenter was at 42.690°N and  
100 142.007°E with the focus depth of 37 km (Japan Meteorological Agency  
101 2019). The eastern Iburi region is an area with folding and faulting  
102 (Ayalew et al., 2011), and the major bedrock is Neogene Sedimentary  
103 rocks (23 – 2.6 Ma) with weakly consolidated materials (Matsuno and  
104 Ishida, 1960; Takahashi et al., 1984). The land surface is blanketed by  
105 thick (1–3 m) tephra layers of volcanic pumice (Uda et al., 1979; Hirose  
106 et al., 2018; Yamagishi and Yamazaki., 2018). There are three major types  
107 of the tephra layers, namely Sikotsu pumice fall (Spfa-1, 42 ka) by the  
108 Shikotsu caldera eruption (Machida and Arai, 2003), Eniwa pumice fall  
109 (En-a, 20 ka) by the Eniwa volcano eruption (Machida and Arai, 2003) ,

110 and Tarumae pumice fall (Ta-d, 9 ka) by the Tarumae volcano eruption  
111 (Furukawa and Nakagawa, 2010; Hirose et al.,2018; Ishimaru et al.,  
112 2020). The En-a layer with a thickness of more than 100 cm  
113 predominantly covers the northern part of the landslide-affected area,  
114 while the Ta-d layer with more than 50 cm thickness covers the southern  
115 part. These tephra layers are considered as the main constituents of the  
116 coseismic landslides (Ishimaru et al., 2020), because the fine-grained  
117 (0.008 – 0.71 mm) tephra layer is supposed to be sensitive to the  
118 liquefaction contributing to slope failure (Kokusho and Fujita, 2001;  
119 Petley, 2018; Kasai and Yamada, 2019).

120 The study site is an approximately 0.1 km<sup>2</sup> watershed, a tributary of  
121 the upper reach of the Atsuma River located at about 10 km from the  
122 epicenter (Figure 1). A large fraction of slopes (approximately 20%) in  
123 the watershed are affected by the coseismic landslides. In this area,  
124 because no residential houses are present, relatively less impacts by  
125 artificial modification are expected after the earthquake. However, small  
126 check dams have been constructed at the outlet of the tributaries draining  
127 into the downstream Apporo Reservoir. According to the Atsuma  
128 Meteorological Station (42°43.8'N, 141°53.3'E, ca. 11 km to the west  
129 away from the study site), the annual mean temperatures were 3.4°C,  
130 4.7°C, 4.7°C for 2018, 2019 and 2020 respectively. The annual maximum  
131 and minimum temperatures were 30.9°C and -24.1°C (2018), 32.2°C and  
132 -22.9°C (2019), and 32.9°C and -23.6°C (2020) (Japan Meteorological  
133 Agency, 2023). Maximum snow depth in the region is 70 cm in average  
134 (1991-2020) peaking in February, according to the nearby meteorological  
135 station at Abira (42°48.8' N, 141°44.7' E, ca. 15 km away) (Japan  
136 Meteorological Agency, 2023).

Fig. 1

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### 138 III. Data Collection and Analysis

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140 1. Data Collection

141 Digital elevation models (DEMs) with a 0.5-m resolution, generated  
142 from airborne laser scanning (ALS) data of October 5 in 2012 and  
143 September 11 in 2018 (Hokkaido Prefecture, 2020a, b), were used to  
144 represent the topography of pre- and post-earthquake. Acquisition of  
145 aerial photos by unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) were conducted in the  
146 field for four times from April to October in 2020 (April 23, June 25,  
147 September 14, and October 30). A UAV of DJI Phantom 4 RTK, equipped  
148 with an RGB camera (20 M sensor and pre-calibrated lens), was used with  
149 the terrain following mode to keep the relative flight height of 100 m  
150 from the ground. A base station of global navigation satellite system  
151 (GNSS) receiver (DJI D-RTK2) was used to perform the real-time  
152 kinematic (RTK) correction of the GNSS-derived aircraft positions  
153 during the flight, providing the geographic coordinates of each camera  
154 image at a centimeter-level accuracy. Based on the UAV-based aerial  
155 images, Structure-from-Motion Multi-View Stereo (SfM-MVS)  
156 photogrammetry (Hayakawa and Obanawa, 2016; Hayakawa et al., 2016)  
157 was then performed using Agisoft Metashape software to generate point  
158 cloud, DEMs, and orthorectified mosaic images. The resolution of DEMs  
159 and orthorectified images were set at the finest capability (several to ten  
160 centimeters) of the SfM-MVS photogrammetry for each dataset (Table 1).

161 The period of available datasets was divided into five sections as  
162 follows (Table 1). Period 1: from October 2012 to September 2018 (6  
163 years including the earthquake event), for which ALS DEMs are  
164 available; Period 2: September 2018 to April 2020 (approximately 1.5  
165 years), for which ALS- and UAV-derived DEMs are applied; Period 3:  
166 April 23 to June 25 (2 months), Period 4: June 25 to September 14 (3  
167 months); and Period 5: September 14 to October 30 (1.5 month) in 2020.  
168 UAV-derived data are available for Periods 3 to 5.

Table 1
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169 According to the Atsuma Meteorological Station (42°43.8'N,  
170 141°53.3'E, ca. 11 km west away from the study site), total annual  
171 rainfall in Atsuma region was 1136.5 mm in 2018, 849.0 mm in 2019, and  
172 797.5 mm in 2020 (Japan Meteorological Agency, 2018, 2019b and 2020).  
173 In 2018, Typhoon No. 21 on September 5 with a maximum rainfall  
174 intensity of 9 mm/hr and total rainfall of 12 mm. Typhoon No. 24 which  
175 on October 1, 2018 with a maximum rainfall intensity of 9.5 mm/hr and  
176 13.5 mm/hr on October 1 and 2, respectively (Japan Meteorological  
177 Agency, 2018). The rainfall intensity increased gradually from April 25,  
178 2019 to Oct 4, 2019 with highest 19.5 mm/hr rainfall intensity due to the  
179 intensive rainfall by Typhoon No. 18 which approached Hokkaido on  
180 October 4, 2019 (Japan Meteorological Agency, 2019b). Also, 13.5  
181 mm/hr and 16.5 mm/hr rainfall intensity were also recorded in Period 4  
182 while only a low intensity of 7 mm/hr was observed during the Period 5  
183 (Figure 2) (Japan Meteorological Agency, 2020). Number of days with  
184 maximum temperature above 0°C and minimum temperature below 0°C in  
185 each month from December 2018 to May 2020 at Atsuma Meteorological  
186 Station are shown in Figure 3. These data may be the reference for  
187 indicating correspondence of morphological changes on the landslide-  
188 affected slopes with freezing and thawing.

Fig. 2

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## 190 2. Geospatial Analysis

191 Geographic Information System (GIS) software QGIS 3.22.7 was  
192 used for geospatial analysis of the topographic data. Hydrological and  
193 geomorphometric analyses were performed to characterize the  
194 morphological properties of the watershed, streams, and reliefs in the  
195 catchment, and the changes in elevation. For the extraction of streams,  
196 we set a threshold value of 100 m<sup>2</sup> as the channel heads which visually  
197 corresponds to the morphological features of channel heads.

Fig. 3

198 For geomorphometric analysis, ten main parameters, which are  
199 categorized into three types of drainage network, drainage texture, and  
200 relief characteristics, were derived from the DEM and stream network  
201 data to analyze temporal changes in drainage basin characteristics (Table  
202 2). Ten parameters are selected because they may indicate the form and  
203 predominant processes within watershed relating to mass movement,  
204 surface water and understanding of soil erosion and discharge  
205 characteristics of ungauged stream (Prabhakaran et al., 2018). Stream  
206 number ( $N_u$ ) is the number of stream segments within watershed (Horton  
207 1945). Stream length ( $L_u$ ) is the horizontal distance of channel from the  
208 stream head to the stream outlet (Horton, 1945; Strahler, 1964).  
209 Bifurcation ration ( $R_b$ ) is measuring the ratio of the number of streams of  
210 a given stream order to the number of streams of next higher order  
211 (Horton, 1945; Strahler, 1964) to indicate the amount of branching in the  
212 stream network within a watershed (Doornkamp and King, 1971). Mean  
213 gradient of mainstream (m/m) is the ratio of difference in maximum and  
214 minimum elevation of mainstream to the horizontal distance of stream  
215 channel between stream head and stream outlet. Drainage density ( $D_d$ )  
216 refers to the total length of streams within a watershed per unit  
217 area (Horton, 1932) which is one of the most sensitive and variable  
218 morphometric parameters with direct relationship with rainfall  
219 intensity (Chorley and Morgan, 1962), mean annual runoff (Morisawa,  
220 1962), and an inverse relationship with the degree of development of a  
221 drainage net within a basin (Horton, 1945), and texture of landscape  
222 dissection and spacing of streams (Chorley, 1969). Drainage  
223 intensity ( $D_i$ ) was defined as the ratio of the stream frequency to  
224 the drainage density (Faniran, 1968). Infiltration number ( $I_f$ )  
225 reflects the infiltration potential of a watershed (Faniran, 1968) and  
226 lower infiltration numbers may imply higher infiltration and less  
227 surface run-off (Faniran, 1968; Das and Mukherjee, 2005; Joji et



228 al., 2013; Elewa et al., 2016). Length of overland flow ( $L_o$ ) can describe  
229 the length of flow of water over the ground surface before it  
230 becomes concentrated in definite stream channels (Horton, 1945). In  
231 watersheds with shorter length of overland flow values, rain water  
232 will enter the stream relatively quickly, and lesser rainfall is sufficient  
233 to contribute a significant volume of surface run off to stream discharge  
234 (Prabhakaran et al., 2018). The constant of channel maintenance ( $C$ ) was  
235 suggested by Schumm (1956) to indicate the number of  $\text{km}^2$  of basin  
236 surface required to develop and sustain a channel 1 km long. Ruggedness  
237 number ( $R_n$ ) is an index suggested by Strahler (1964) which can  
238 reflect the situation of slope steepness and length in a watershed.  
239 High values of the ruggedness number indicated that slopes are steep  
240 and long (Chow, 1964) which may affect the velocity, infiltration and  
241 discharge in watershed.

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#### 243 IV. Results

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##### 245 1. Coseismic Morphological Changes (Period 1)

246 The 2012 ALS DEM illustrates the situation of drainage basin  
247 before the 2018 Hokkaido Eastern Iburi Earthquake (Figure 4a), while  
248 the 2018 ALS DEM shows the situation after the earthquake (Figure 4b).  
249 By comparing these two DEMs, considerable areas (ca. 21,000  $\text{m}^2$  within  
250 the catchment area of 70,000  $\text{m}^2$ ) are affected by the coseismic landslides  
251 from the middle to upper part of the drainage basin. Also, sediment  
252 deposition is noticeably observed along the lower reach of the mainstream.

253 The total stream length in 2012 was 721.3 m with mean gradient of  
254 mainstream 0.17 m/m (Table 3), where 5 tributaries were identified  
255 (Figure 4c). The total stream length in 2018 was 932.9 m with mean  
256 gradient of mainstream 0.12 m/m (Table 3) with 10 tributaries (Figure  
257 4d). The total stream length in 2018 was 211.6 m longer and mean

Table 2

Fig. 4

258 gradient of mainstream in 2018 was 0.05 lower than that of 2012  
259 respectively.

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## 261 2. Post-earthquake Morphological Changes (Periods 2-5)

262 Figures 5 and 6 show the stream network and longitudinal  
263 profiles, respectively, derived from the DEMs in 2020. From September  
264 2018 to April 2020 (Period 2), due to the repairment of the road and  
265 construction of a check dam at the outlet, the sediment was partially  
266 removed, and the affected 50 m reach was excluded in the following  
267 analysis of the mainstream. The mainstream channel length decreased to  
268 516.0 m, which was 137.8 m shorter than in 2018, while eight tributaries  
269 were identified. The total stream length was 753.9 m in April 2020, which  
270 was 179.1 m shorter than in 2018. The mean stream gradient was 0.15  
271 m/m, which was steeper than in 2018.

272 From April to June 2020 (Period 3), the mainstream channel length  
273 further decreased to 498.2 m (17.8 m shorter), and the mean gradient  
274 increased to 0.17 m/m. Seven tributaries were identified. The total stream  
275 length was 694.3 m, which was 59.6 shorter than in April.

276 From June to September 2020 (Period 4), the mainstream channel  
277 length increased to 564.9 m (66.7 m longer), while the mean gradient also  
278 increased to 0.21 m/m. Nineteen tributaries were identified and the total  
279 stream length was 1121.9 m, which was 427.6 m longer than in June.

280 From September to October (Period 5), the mainstream channel  
281 length increased to 595.0 m (30.1 m longer), while the mean gradient also  
282 decreased to 0.14 m/m. Nineteen tributaries were identified and the total  
283 stream length was 1199.6 m, which was 77.7 m longer than in September.

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## 285 3. Temporal Changes in Morphometric Parameters

286 Morphometric parameters representing drainage network, drainage  
287 texture, and relief characteristics for each dataset were summarized in

Fig.5  
& 6

288 Table 3.

289       Regarding parameters of drainage network, the stream number ( $Nu$ )  
290 increased from 6 to 11 after the earthquake. After the slight decreasing  
291 to 8 in June 2020, it increased to 22 in September 2020 and slightly  
292 decreased to 20 in October 2020. The total stream length increased from  
293 721.3 m to 932.9 m after the earthquake and finally increased to 1121.9  
294 m in the post-earthquake period 4. The bifurcation ratio increased from 5  
295 to 10 and it kept rather constantly high (7–9.5) in the post-earthquake  
296 periods 3 and 4, and reached the highest value of 19 in period 5.

297       For drainage texture, there was an increasing trend in drainage  
298 density from 6.94 to 11.53, drainage intensity from 8.32 to 19.61,  
299 infiltration number from 400.57 to 2217.92 throughout all the periods. In  
300 contrast, the length of overland flow (from 0.07 to 0.04) and constant of  
301 channel maintenance (from 0.14 to 0.09) showed decreasing trend.

302       As relief characteristics, ruggedness number increased from 1.18 to  
303 1.81 throughout the periods.

304       By comparing the results after the earthquake, the results of the  
305 stream number, total stream length, bifurcation ratio, drainage density,  
306 intensity, infiltration number decreased in Periods 2 and 3, and some of  
307 them with their lowest values in Period 3. In contrast, the length of  
308 overland flow and constant of channel maintenance had an increasing  
309 trend and increased to their highest values in Period 3.

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## 311 V. Discussion

312       The morphological changes of the drainage basin characteristics by  
313 the earthquake are apparently associated with the slope modifications by  
314 the coseismic landslides. Whereas, morphological changes and fluvial  
315 network development in drainage basin after the earthquake might  
316 correspond to gradual or periodical erosion by fluvial and/or slope  
317 processes associated with cold climate. One possible reason for the

318 variable changes in the morphological parameters in the post-earthquake  
319 periods is the hydrological variability in fluvial processes that likely  
320 forms the gully and channel networks on the bare surface of the landslide  
321 areas, and the temporal distribution of rainfall intensity (Figure 2) can  
322 be the main factor for the morphological change variability. The amount  
323 and pattern of rainfall intensity during post-earthquake periods might  
324 play an important role in the changes of drainage basin morphology and  
325 stream network development in the study site. Some Typhoon-induced  
326 rainfalls were present in Period 2 (Typhoon No. 24 in October 2018 and  
327 Typhoon No. 18 in October 2019), but there were no Typhoon attacks in  
328 the following periods (Periods 3-5; Figure 2). However, relatively high  
329 rainfall intensity was also recorded in post-earthquake Period 3 (11.5  
330 mm/hr), Period 4 (16.5 mm/hr), and Period 5 (7 mm/hr). Relatively strong  
331 increase in stream length, drainage density, drainage intensity and  
332 infiltration number in Period 4 may correspond to the high-intensity  
333 rainfall event, which potentially contributed to the gully development on  
334 the bare slope surfaces by increased runoff. In fact, significant gully  
335 erosion was observed on landslide-affected slopes in northwestern  
336 Atsuma town with similar conditions to our study area during the rainy  
337 seasons from June to August in 2019 and from May to October in 2020  
338 (Koshimizu et al., 2021). Those changes may also have occurred during  
339 Period 2, but this might be hindered by the longer time period (nearly 2  
340 years) compared to the other periods (2–3 months) due to the infilling  
341 processes after erosion (Imaizumi et al., 2010).

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343 Freezing-thaw weathering and solifluction by periodical fluctuation of  
344 temperature around the freezing point (Matsuoka and Murton, 2008;  
345 Deprez, et. al., 2020) could also contribute to the enhancement of the  
346 infilling process on gully and channel thalwegs. Such a process has been  
347 particularly active in the last glacial period (~10 ka) in Hokkaido

348 (Ishimaru et al., 2020), while it also influences the soil surface for more  
349 than 10 cm to cause mass movements of surface materials on the  
350 vegetation-free slopes in the modern time (Ueno et al., 2015; Nakata et  
351 al., 2021). In fact, up to 5 cm topographic changes resulting from freeze-  
352 thaw action was observed based on differential analysis of DEMs in  
353 daytime and nighttime on a slope in coseismic landslide area in Takaoka,  
354 near our study site (Nakata et al., 2021). Number of days with maximum  
355 temperature above 0°C and minimum temperature below 0°C in each  
356 month in the region (Figure 3) indicates the possible frequent occurrences  
357 of freeze-thaw actions on the bare slope surfaces in the study area  
358 especially in the autumn and spring seasons (Figure 7). Although the  
359 actual soil surface temperature in the study site is unknown, such a  
360 condition favorable for freeze-thaw actions may be associated with the  
361 rapid infilling of gullies after the Typhoon attacks during Period 2.

Figure 7

362  
363 The gradual changes in main channel length and gradient of main  
364 channel especially during the post-earthquake period 4-5 indicated some  
365 slope movement on slid surfaces with morphological changes and fluvial  
366 erosion on gully stream channels. The increase in drainage density ( $D_d$ )  
367 might imply more rapid surface runoff and shorter lag time with higher  
368 peak on hydrograph (Chorley, 1969). The higher the value of drainage  
369 intensity ( $D_i$ ) might indicate higher rate of gully erosion. The higher the  
370 infiltration number ( $I_f$ ), the lower will be the infiltration and as a result,  
371 the higher surface run-off might be expected (Faniran, 1968). The  
372 decrease in length of overland flow ( $L_o$ ) which indicate larger volume of  
373 surface runoff to stream discharge might contribute to the fluvial erosion  
374 along streams. Moreover, the increase in drainage density might cause  
375 the decrease in constant of channel maintenance ( $C$ ) which implies more  
376 tributaries. Finally, the increasing trend on gradient might imply higher  
377 risk of slides on slope with increased surface runoff and stream discharge.

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## 379 VI. Conclusions

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381       Regarding the coseismic landslides by the 2018 Hokkaido Eastern  
382 Iburi Earthquake, we examined the morphological changes in a landslide-  
383 affected catchment for periods between pre- and post-earthquake, and of  
384 post-earthquake, and quantified the areas of coseismic landslides,  
385 continuous sediment deposition and changes in drainage basin  
386 characteristics were identified. The results also suggest continuous  
387 changes in drainage networks after the earthquake, which may largely  
388 depend on the rainfall intensity and associated fluvial erosion, as well as  
389 slope surface modifications by freeze-thaw actions. The sedimentation in  
390 downstream areas and continuous fluvial erosion on surrounding slid  
391 slopes might changes in the form of watershed with elevation increase  
392 and decrease in lower and upper parts of watershed respectively.

393       This study provides an inventory of drainage basin morphological  
394 changes and drainage network development after the 2018 Hokkaido  
395 Eastern Iburi Earthquake. Analyzed results should be further validated in  
396 monitoring of post-earthquake landslides. Future work may focus on the  
397 near-future fluvial landscape evolutionary studies, and it would also be  
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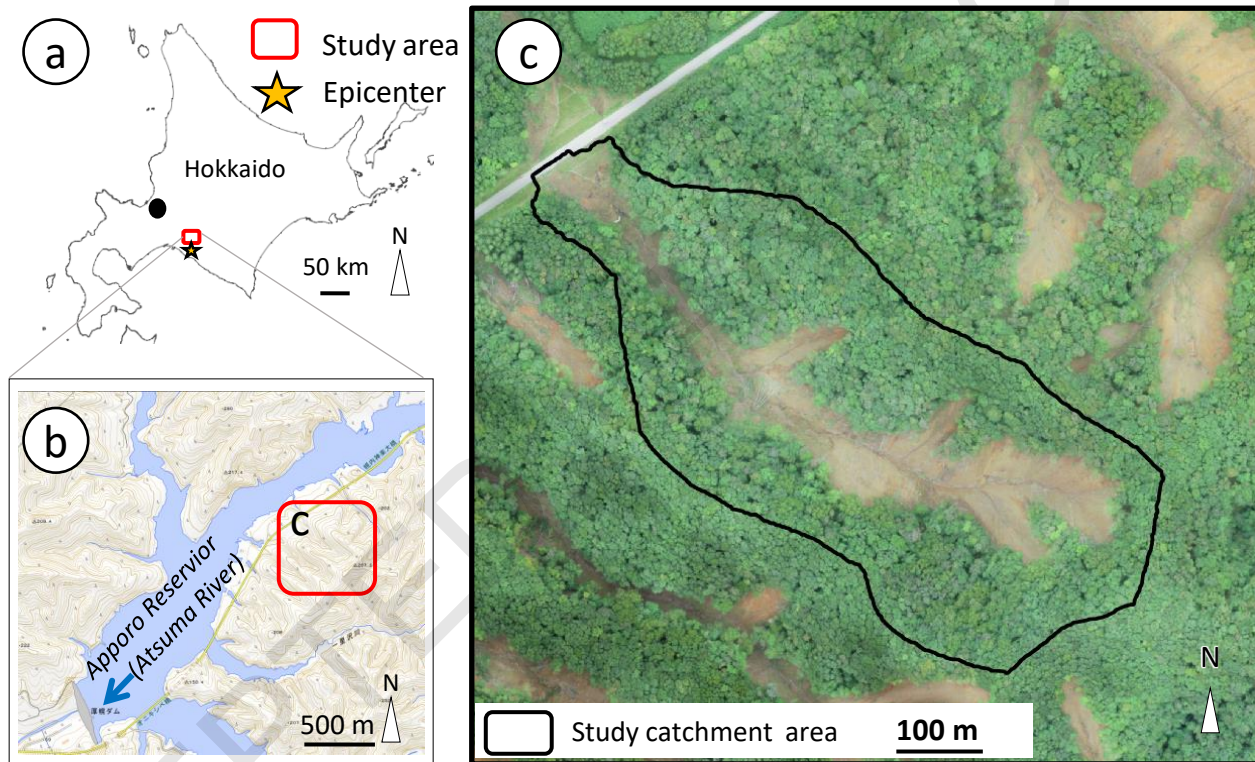


Figure 1. Study area. (a) Overview of the study area (GSI Maps). (b) Topographic maps around the study area (GSI Maps). (c) UAV-based orthorectified image of the catchment studied (14<sup>th</sup> Sep, 2020).



Period 1: Oct 05, 2012 - Sep 11, 2018  
Period 3 : Apr 23, 2020 - Jun 25, 2020  
Period 5 : Sep 14, 2020 - Oct 30, 2020

Period 2 : Sep 11, 2018 - Apr 23, 2020  
Period 4 : Jun 25, 2020 - Sep 14, 2020

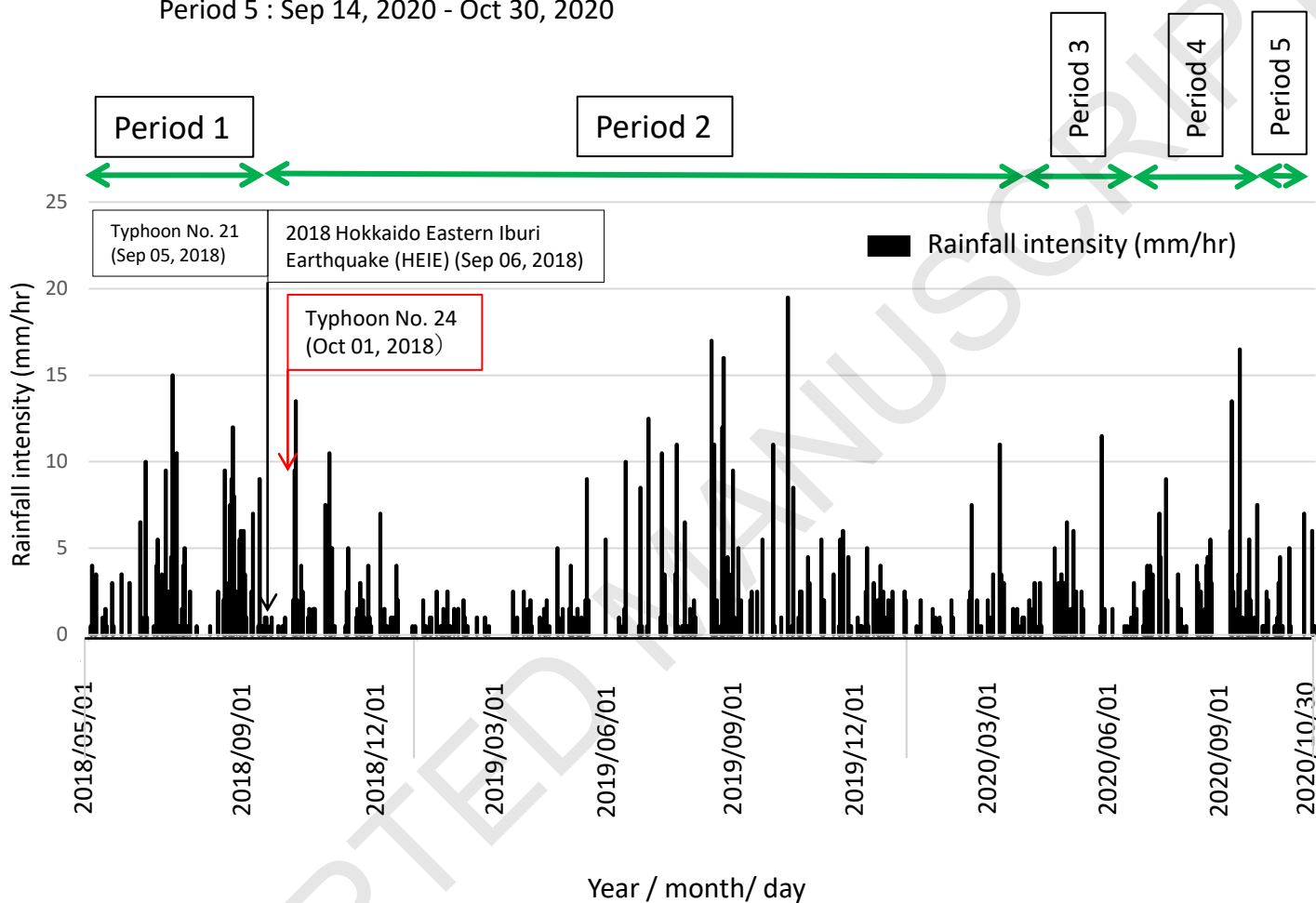


Figure 2. Rainfall intensity (mm/hr, daily maximum) from May 2018 to October 2020 recorded by Atsuma Meteorological Station (Japan Meteorological Agency, 2023)

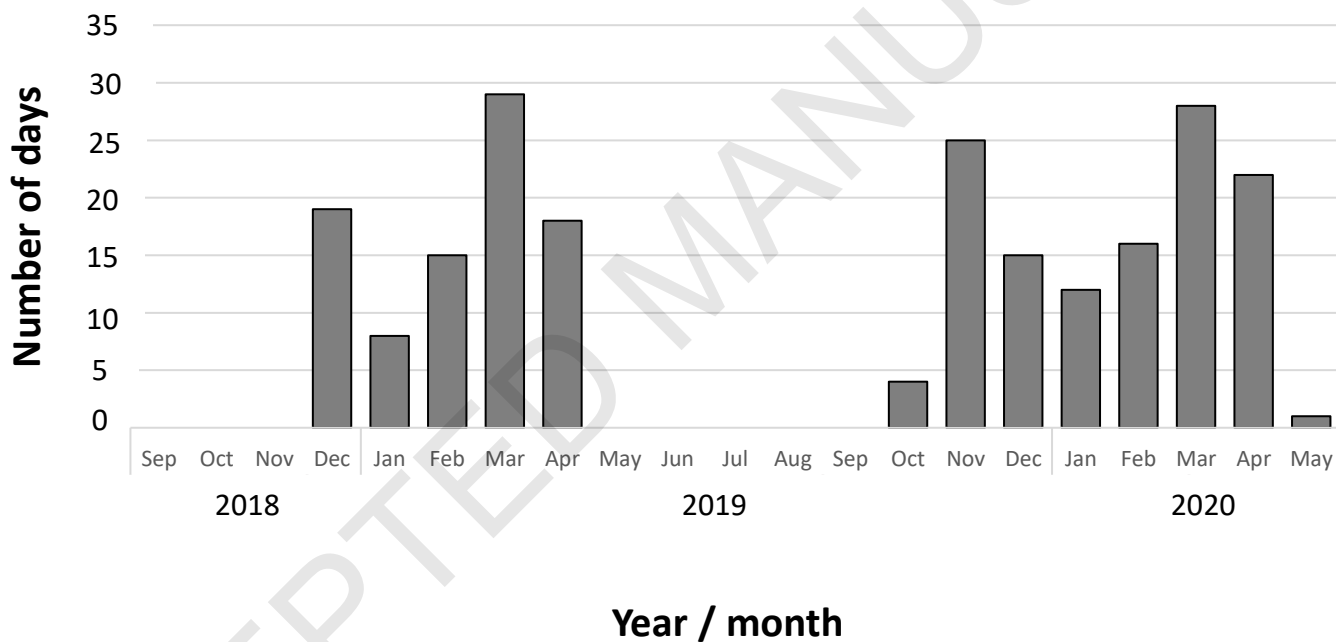


Figure 3. Number of days with maximum and minimum temperature above and below 0°C in each month from September 2018 to May 2020 at Atsuma Meteorological Station (Japan Meteorological Agency, 2020)

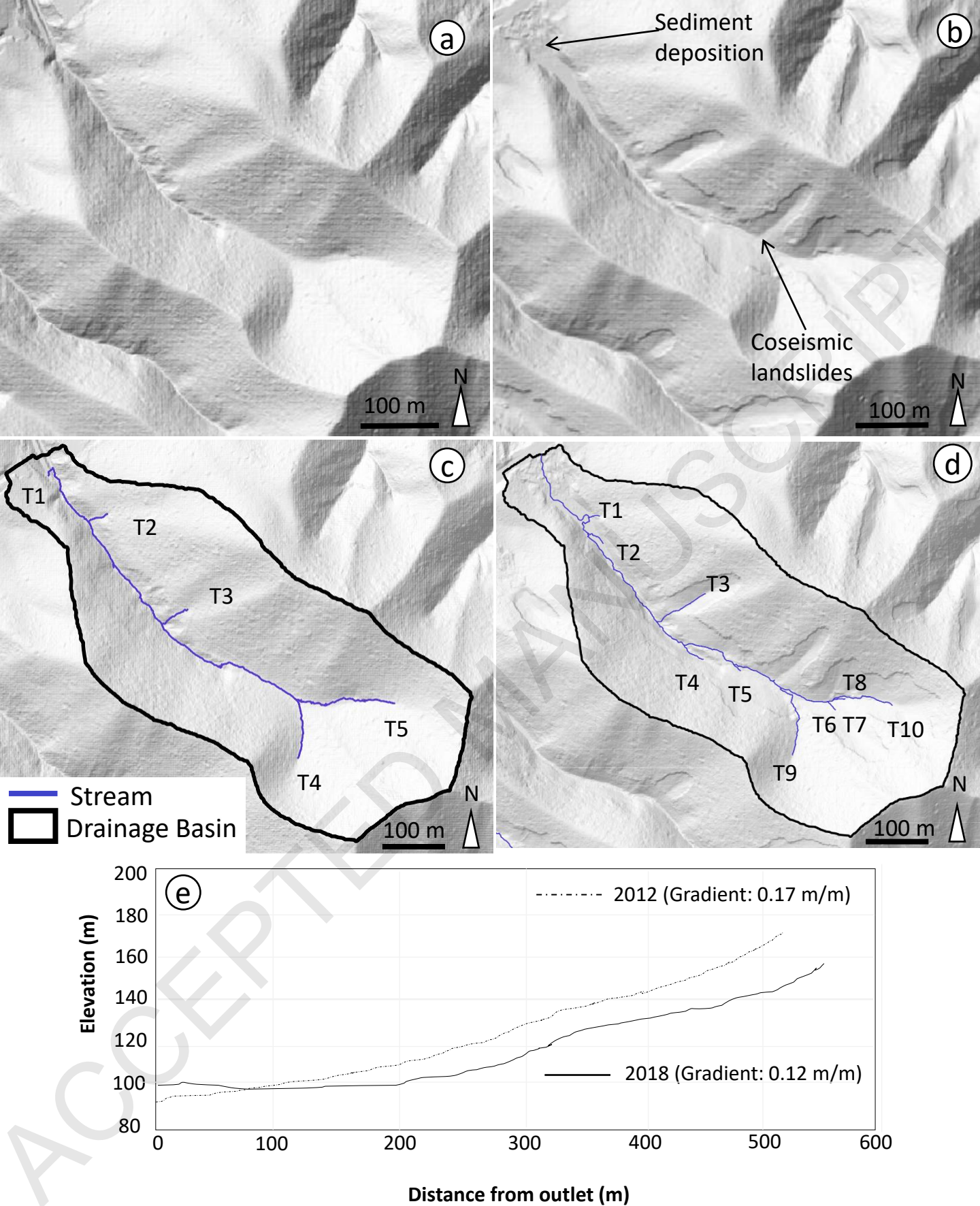


Figure 4. Pre- and post-earthquake morphological changes and drainage network development in Period 1. (a) Hillshade image of ALS DEM in October 2012. (b) Hillshade image of ALS DEM in September 2018 after the earthquake. (c) Stream network delineated from the pre-earthquake ALS DEM in 2012. (d) Stream network delineated from the post-earthquake ALS DEM in 2018. (e) Longitudinal profile of the mainstream in 2012 (red) and 2018 (gray). Note that the horizontal distance along the channel is elongated for the channel in 2018 because of the more meandered channel shape.



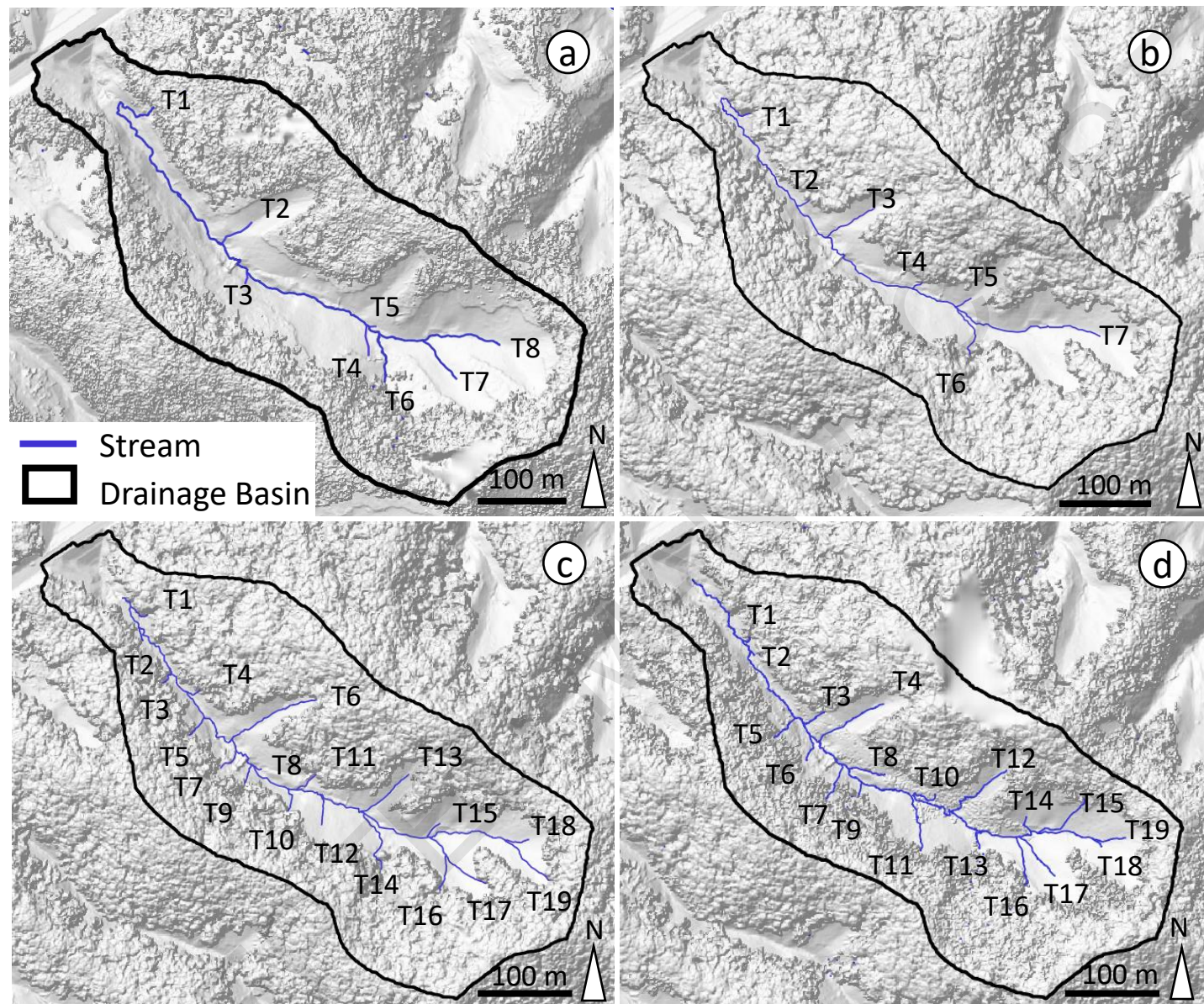


Figure 5. Post-earthquake morphological characteristics and drainage network development in 2020 (Periods 2-5). Hillshade image and stream network for (a) April 23, (b) June 25, (c) September 14, and (d) October 30.

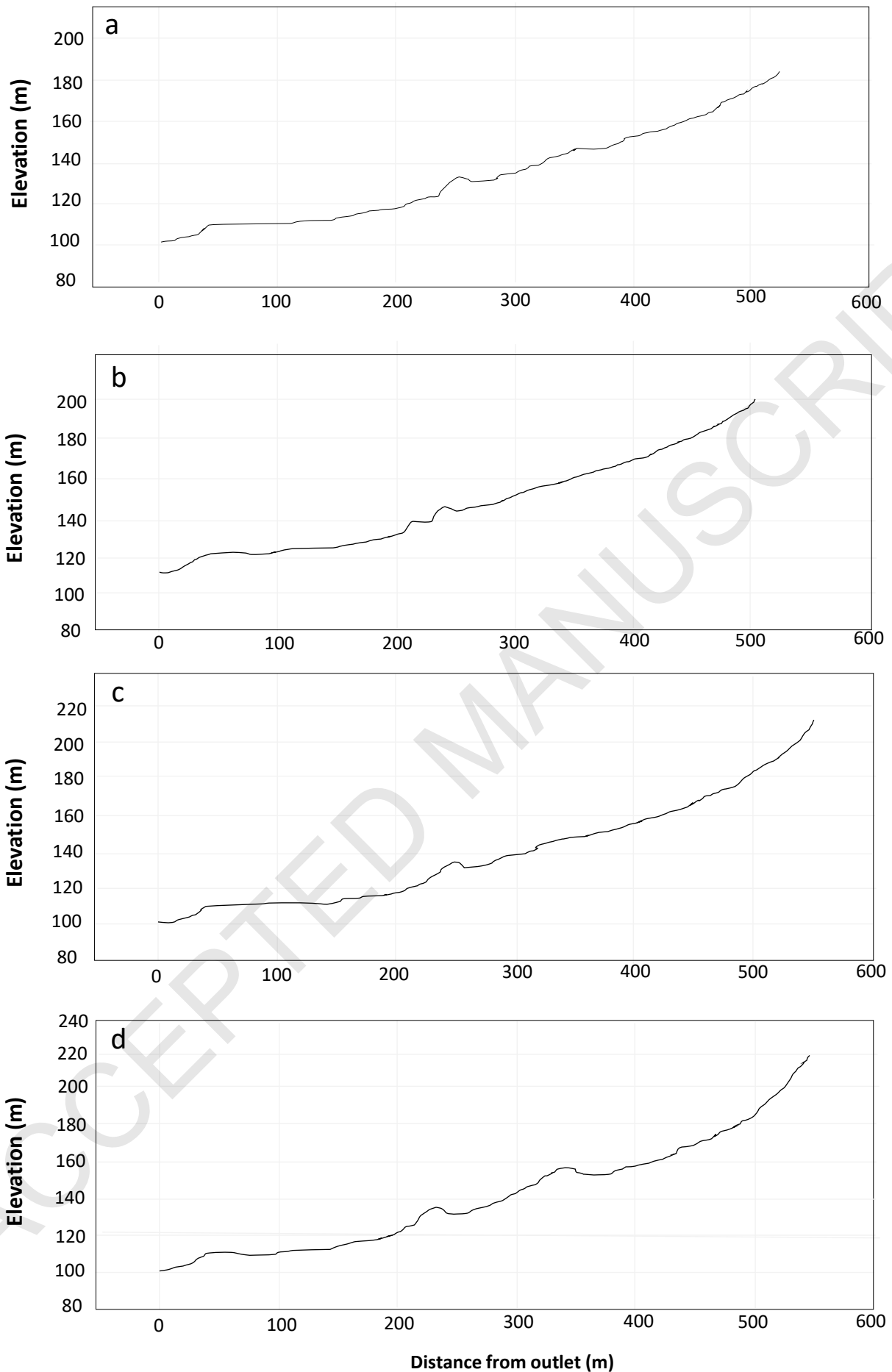


Figure 6. Longitudinal profiles of mainstream for each time of measurement by UAV-based SfM-MVS photogrammetry. (a) April 2020. (b) June 2020. (c) September 2020. (d) October 2020.





Figure 7. Photograph of frost heave in study site taken on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023.  
Height of frost heave was about 9 cm.

Table 1. Properties of topographic data used.

Period	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4	Period 5	
Duration (months)	72	20	2	3	2	
Date	Oct 05, 2012	Sep 11, 2018	Apr 23, 2020	Jun 25, 2020	Sep 14, 2020	Oct 30, 2020
Type of acquisition	ALS	ALS	UAV	UAV	UAV	UAV
Resolution of DEM (m)	0.5	0.5	0.115	0.112	0.062	0.073

Table 2. Geomorphometric parameters of drainage basin characteristics examined in this study.

Types	Morphometric parameters	Unit	References	Equations
Drainage network	Stream number ( $N_u$ )	–	(Horton 1945)	$N_u = N_1 + N_2 + \dots + N_n$
	Stream length ( $L_u$ ) (m)	m	(Horton 1945; Strahler 1964)	$L_u = L_1 + L_2 + \dots + L_n$
	Bifurcation ratio ( $R_b$ )	–	(Horton 1945; Strahler 1964)	$R_b = N_u / N_{u+1}$
	Mean gradient of mainstream	m/m		$(E_{max} - E_{min}) / L_m$
Drainage texture	Drainage density ( $D_d$ )	m/m <sup>2</sup>	(Horton 1945)	$D_d = L_u / A$
	Drainage intensity ( $D_i$ )	1/km	(Faniran 1968)	$D_i = F_s / D_d$
	Infiltration number ( $I_f$ )	–	(Faniran 1968)	$I_f = F_s \times D_d$
	Length of overland flow ( $L_o$ )	km	(Horton 1945)	$L_o = 1 / (2D_d)$
	Constant of channel maintenance ( $C$ )	km <sup>2</sup> /km	(Schumm 1956)	$C = 1 / D_d$
Relief characteristics	Ruggedness number ( $R_n$ )	km/km <sup>2</sup>	(Strahler 1964)	$R_n = H \times D_d$

$A^*$  is basin area (km<sup>2</sup>),  $E_{max}$  and  $E_{min}^*$  are maximum/minimum elevation (m) of the mainstream,  $F_s^*$  is stream frequency ( $N_u/A$ )(1/km<sup>2</sup>),  $H^*$  is total basin relief (m) (elevation between height of basin outlet and maximum height of basin),  $L_m^*$  is the horizontal length (m) along the mainstream,



Table 3. Temporal changes in morphometric parameters examined.

Types	Morphometric parameters	Stream (Drainage Basin area: 104006 m <sup>2</sup> (0.104006 km <sup>2</sup> ) (11th September, 2018))					
		Oct 05, 2012	Sep 11, 2018	Apr 23, 2020	Jun 25, 2020	Sep 14, 2020	Oct 30, 2020
Drainage network	Stream number (N <sub>v</sub> )	6	11	9	8	22	20
	Stream length (L <sub>v</sub> ) (m)	721.3	932.9	753.9	694.3	1121.9	1199.6
	Bifurcation ratio (R <sub>b</sub> )	5 (1st order: 5, 2nd order: 1)	10 (1st order: 10, 2nd order: 1)	8 (1st order: 8, 2nd order: 1)	7 (1st order: 7, 2nd order: 1)	9.5 (1st order: 19, 2nd order: 2)	19 (1st order: 19, 2nd order: 1)
					2 (2nd order: 2, 3rd order: 1)		
Drainage texture	Mean gradient of mainstream (m/m)	0.17	0.12	0.15	0.17	0.21	0.14
	Drainage density (D <sub>d</sub> ) (km/km <sup>2</sup> )	6.94	8.97	7.25	6.68	10.79	11.53
	Drainage intensity (D <sub>i</sub> ) (1/km)	8.32	11.79	11.94	11.52	19.61	16.67
	Infiltration number (I <sub>f</sub> )	400.57	948.69	627.21	513.45	2281.67	2217.92
	Length of overland flow (L <sub>o</sub> ) (km)	0.07	0.06	0.07	0.07	0.05	0.04
	Constant of channel maintenance (C) (km <sup>2</sup> /km)	0.14	0.11	0.14	0.15	0.09	0.09
Relief characteristics	Ruggedness number (R <sub>w</sub> ) (km/km <sup>2</sup> )	1.18	1.63	1.15	1.06	1.71	1.81