

A preliminary study of the geomorphology of the Aillwee area, Central Burren, Co. Clare, Ireland

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Abstract:

The area of the central Burren including Aillwee Hill and the Kilcorney-Carran closed depressions is characterised by a series of dry valleys and closed depressions, often with remnants of ancient phreatic caves preserved. These features may have been developed since Pliocene times by runoff from the former shale cover together with later modification by glacial and periglacial activity.