



**Charted hazards and destinations in the English Channel and the North Sea.** This map is based on historic charts dating back to the 1680s obtained from the UK Hydrographic Office. A best fit was obtained between historic and modern charts, and the extents of early navigational features were traced. Notes of each feature were made in a database. The resulting map indicates how earlier mariners' use of the open sea was constrained by hazards, and by their potential destinations. The map indicates which areas of sea might have been used most, and where ships are most likely to have been lost.