



FIGURE 16.17. Sedimentary features of dry mudflats. (A) Mudcracked surface. (B) A box core showing brecciation of dry mudflat deposit due to desiccation. Width of field  $\sim 200$  mm. Courtesy of J. P. Smoot. (C) A laminated lake deposit composed of alternations of sand (light) and mud (dark) at the base of a trench has become progressively disrupted by mudcracks up to the modern dry mudflat surface.