



FIGURE 15.15. Geometrical features of beaches. (A) Backshore and vegetated aeolian dunes, South Carolina. (B) A gravel berm with beach cusps at Otaki, North Island, New Zealand (photo from Rob Brander). (C) A longshore bar (ridge) and trough (runnel) with dunes, South Carolina. (D) A dune with superimposed ripples, and transported shells, in the trough (runnel) in (C). (E) Swash marks on the foreshore of a beach, Mexico. (F) Erosion and landward migration of a beach, exposing older saltmarsh deposits, South Carolina.