

# ***Egy középső-triász karbonátos rétegsor a Szegedi-medencében: diagenetikus események a dolomitizációtól a szénhidrogén-felhalmozódásig***

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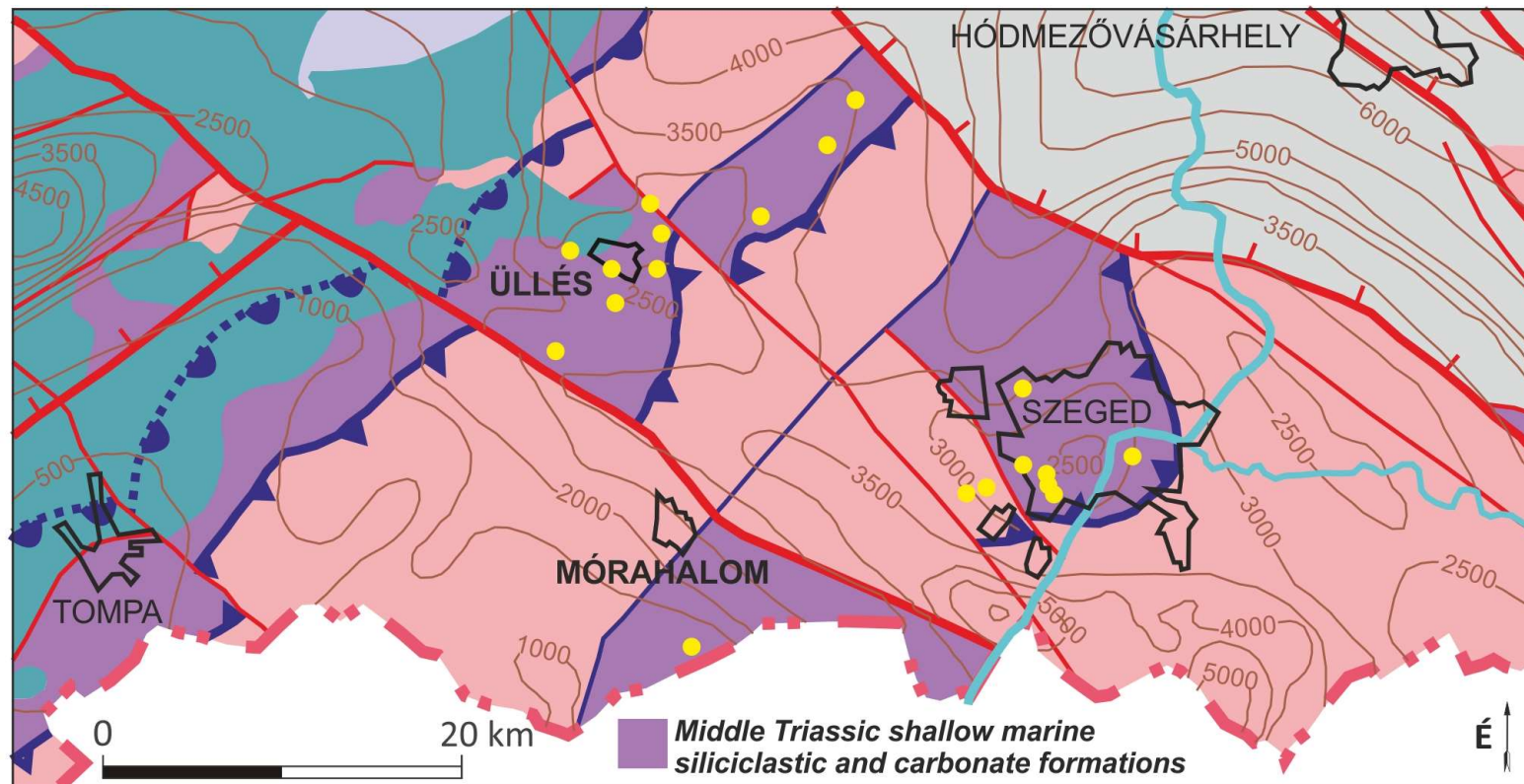
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# Motivation

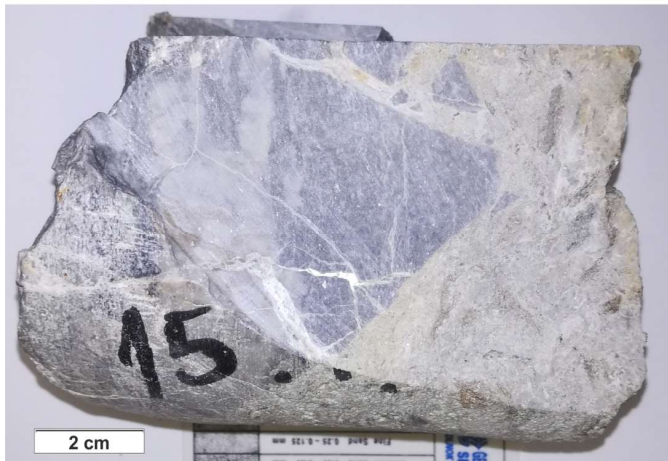
The Szeged Dolomite Formation is the most common Triassic basement formation in the southern part of the Pannonian Basin in Hungary. This succession serves as good hydrocarbon reservoir in numerous cases and provides significant hydrocarbon production in this region. Nonetheless, the Szeged Dolomite reservoir rocks have not been investigated since early 90s.

This study was performed on 60 core samples representing 25 wells in the Szeged Basin.



Basement formations of the Szeged Basin (Haas et al. 2010, modified)

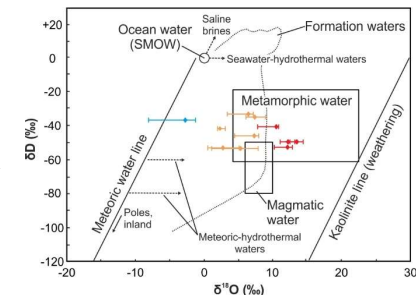
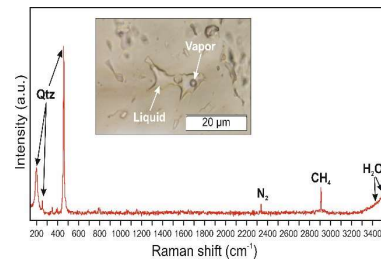
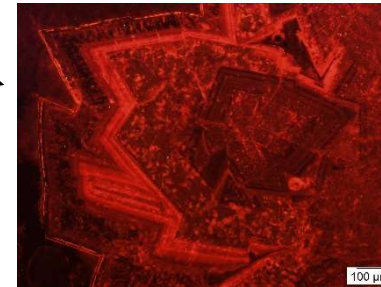
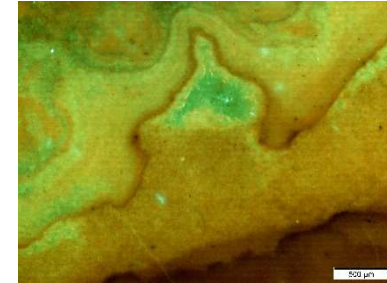
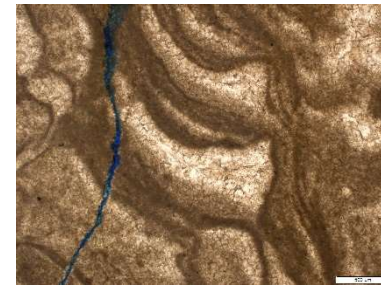
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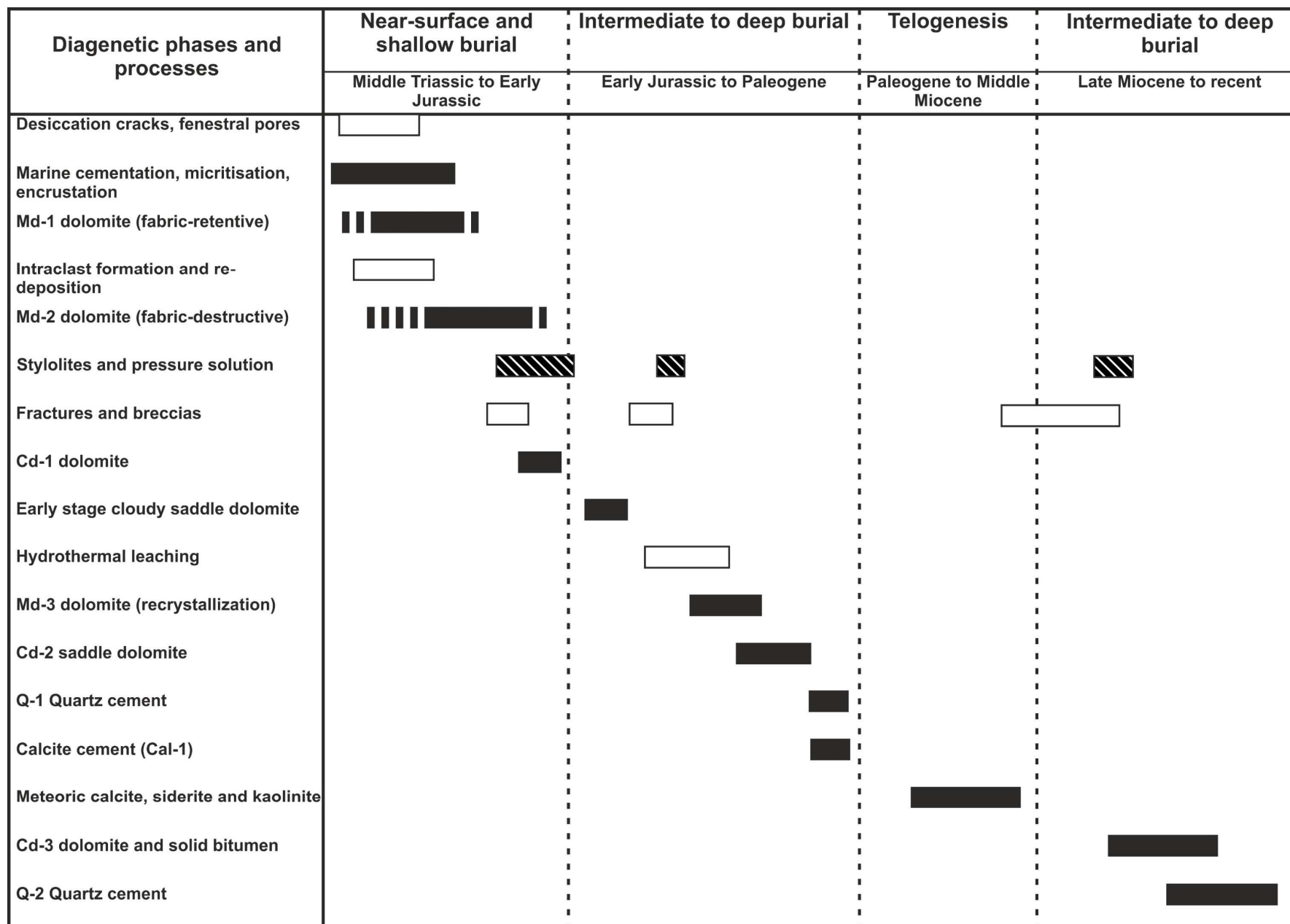
Samples were collected from fractured and tectonically altered Middle Triassic dolostones, from reworked dolomite pebbles in the overlying Miocene conglomerate, and from dolomite veins in the underlying sandstone and metamorphites.

# Methods

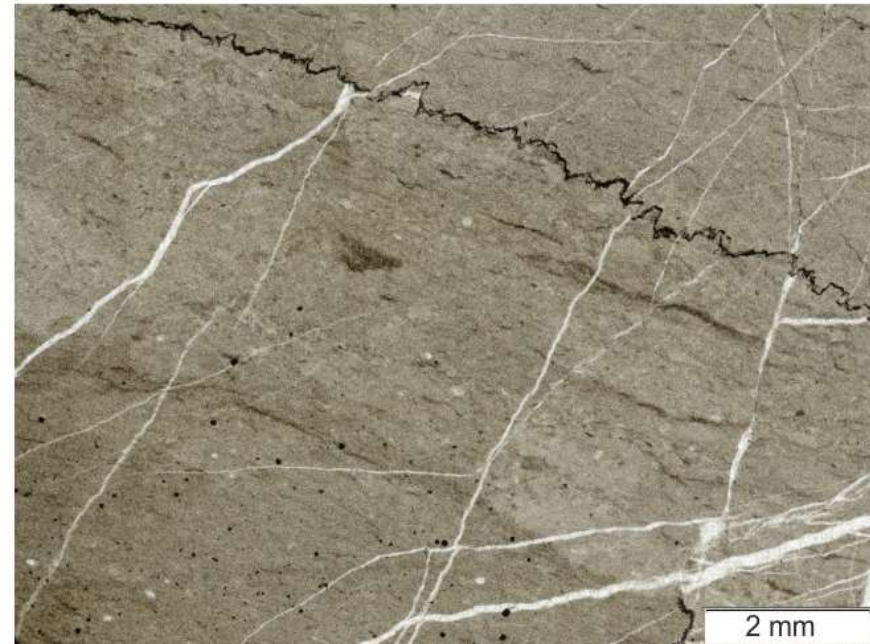
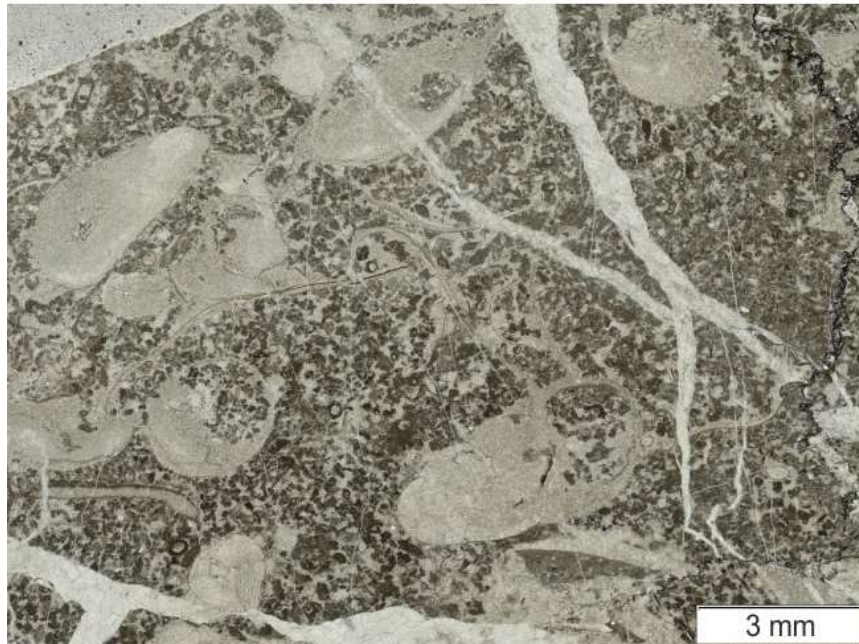
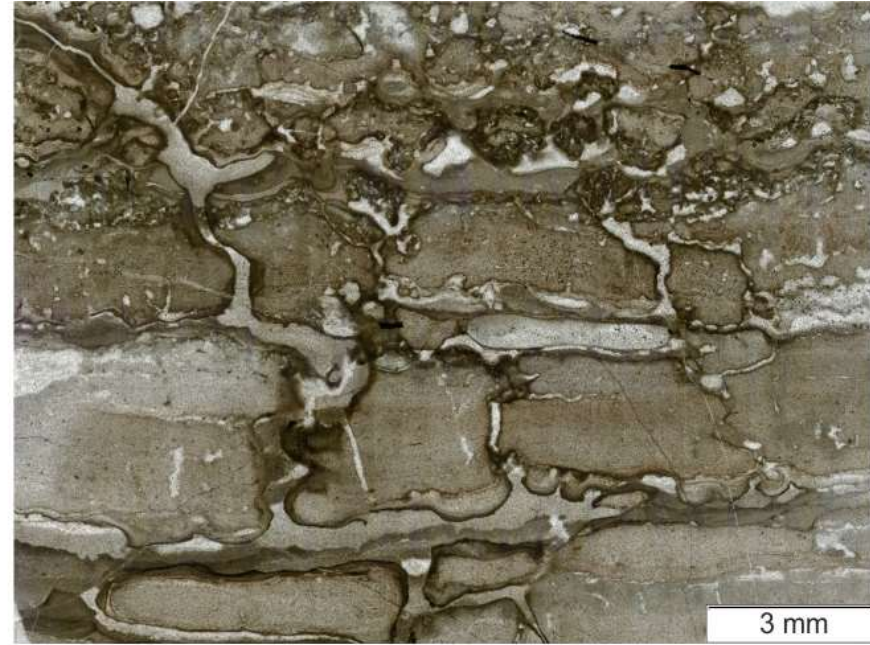
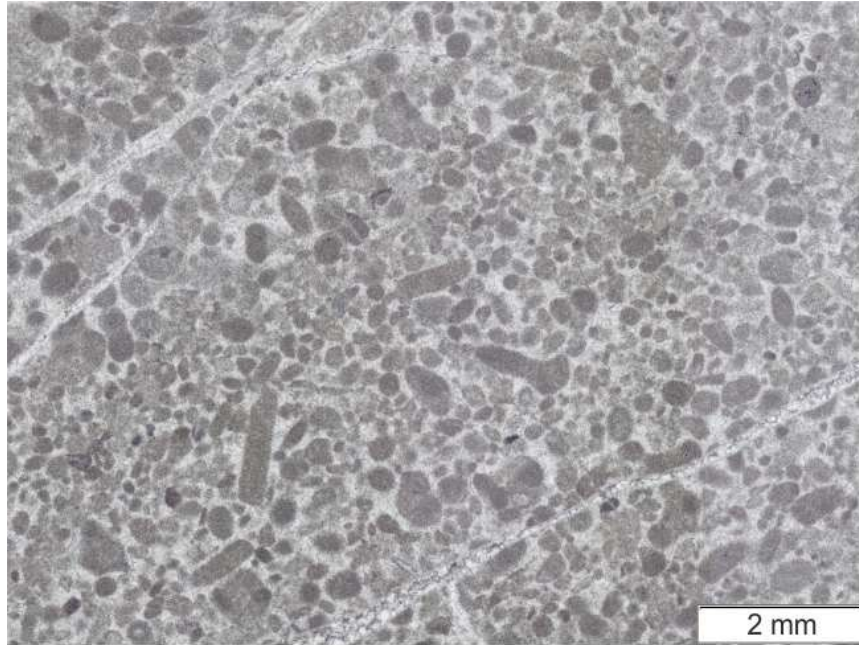
- Macroscopic description (60 samples from 25 wells)
- Microscopic petrography (50 samples, ~90 thin sections)
- Fluorescence microscopy
- Cathodoluminescence microscopy
- Stable isotope ( $^{18}\text{O}$  and  $^{13}\text{C}$ ) geochemistry (123 fabric-selected powdered samples)
- Radiogenic ( $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ ) isotope ratios (20 samples)
- Fluid inclusion microthermometry (20 samples, ~550 fluid inclusions)
- Raman microspectroscopy on fluid inclusions
- Hydrogen isotope composition of fluid inclusion-hosted  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (11 samples)



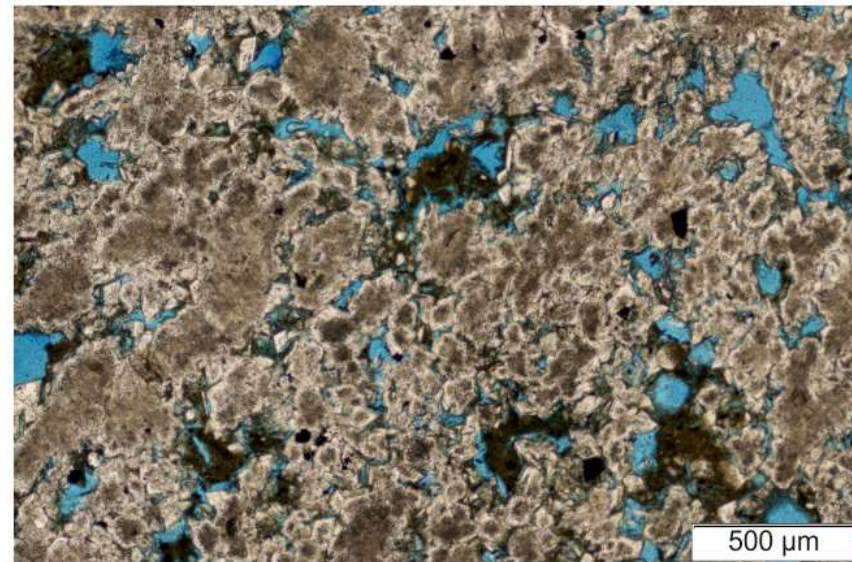
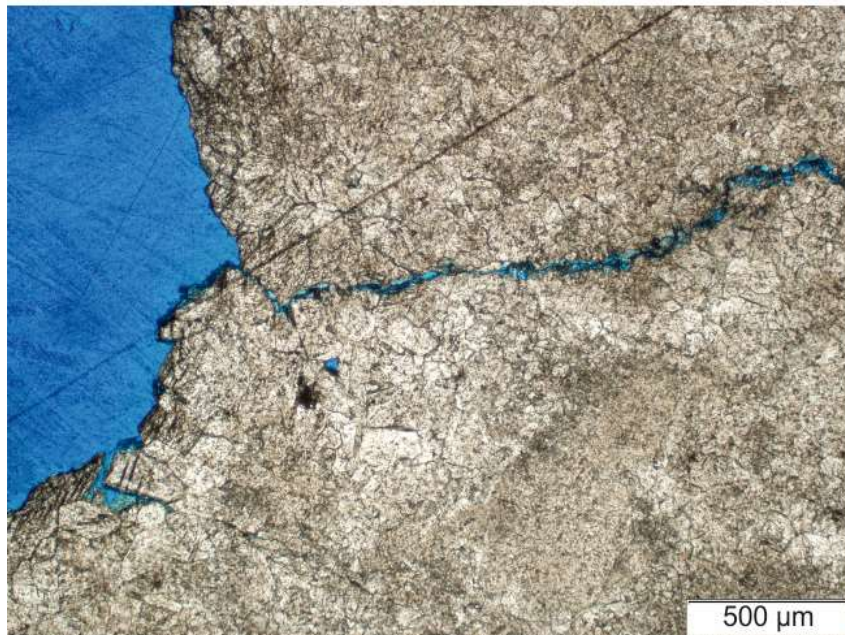
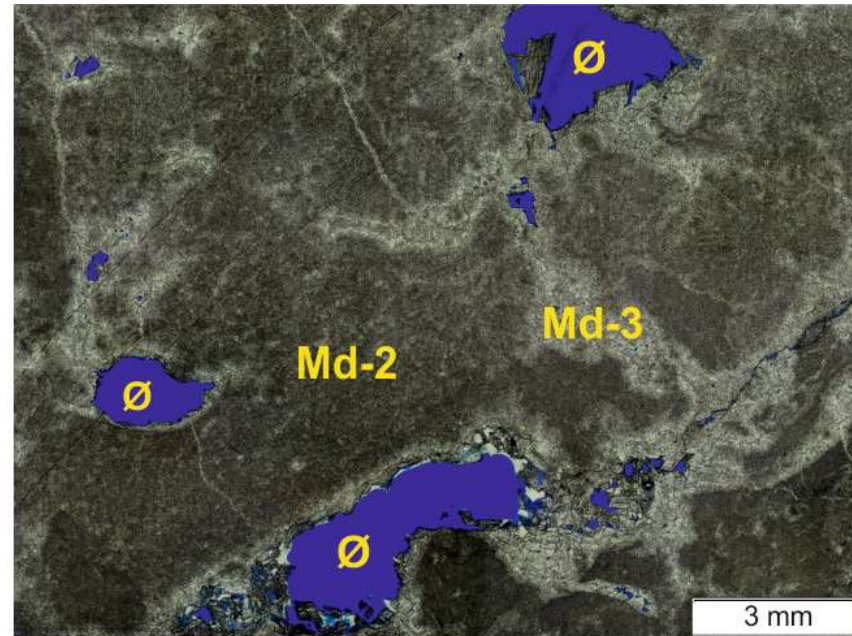
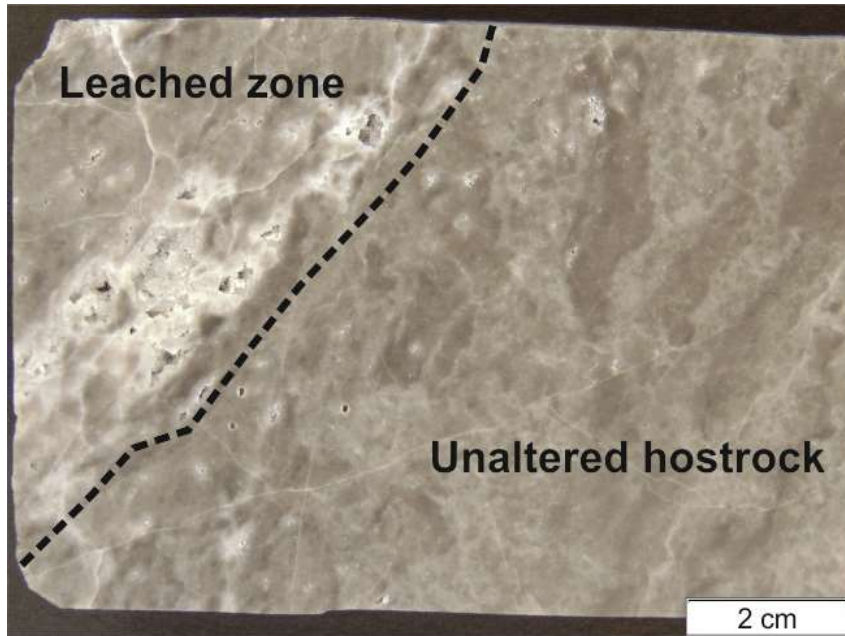
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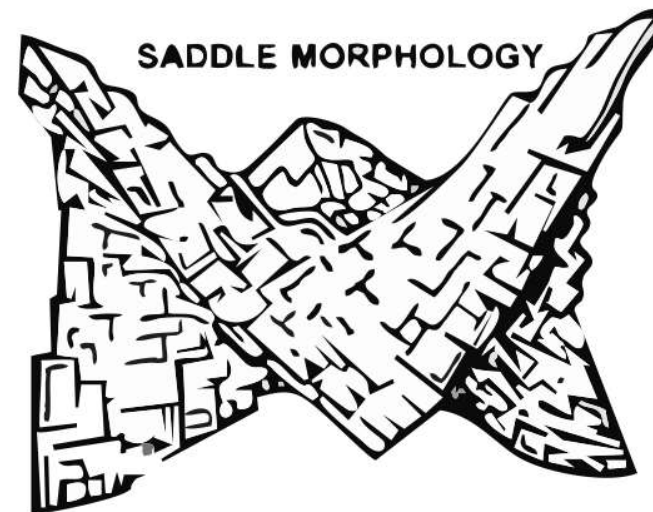
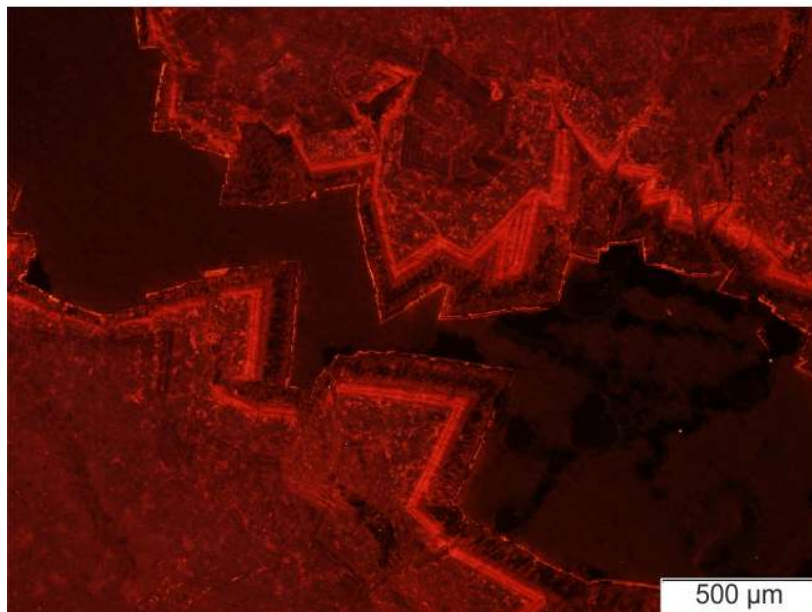
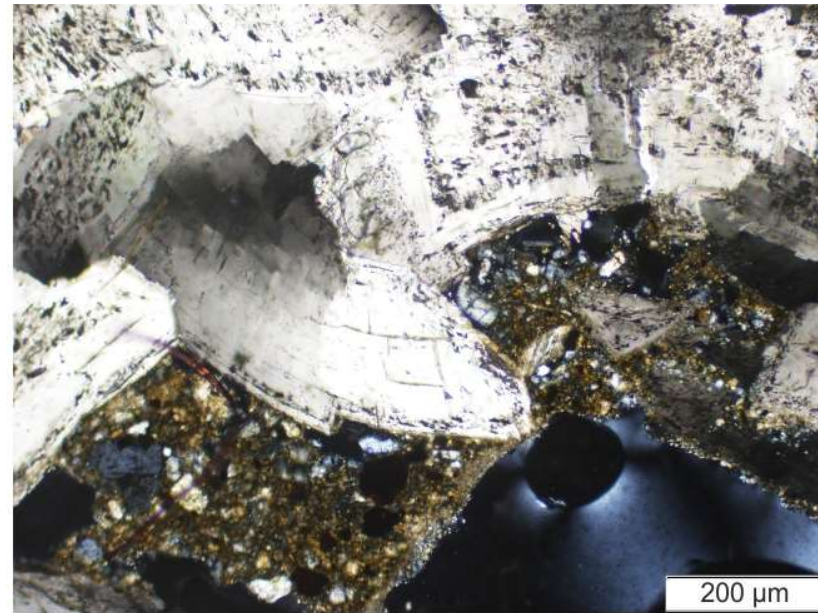
# Depositional textures and early diagenetic processes



# Secondary porosity due to Late Cretaceous leaching and recrystallization



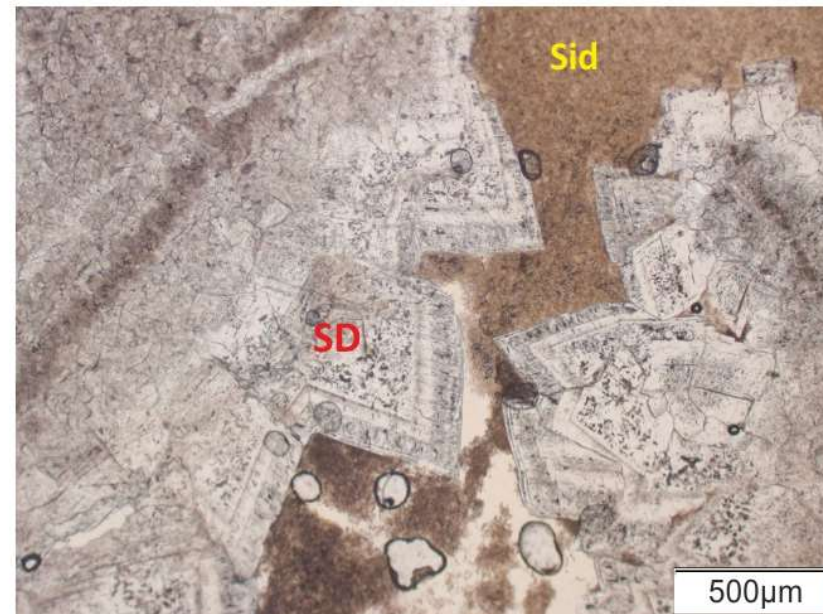
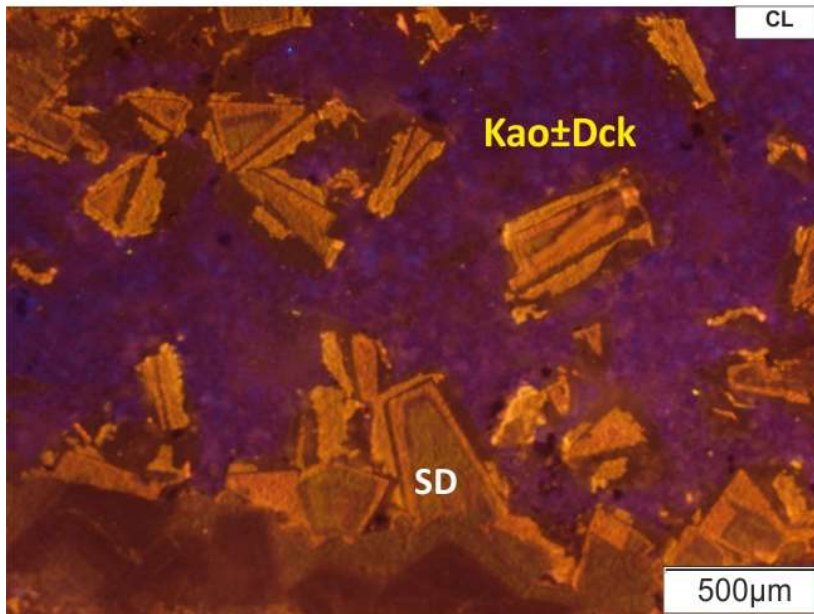
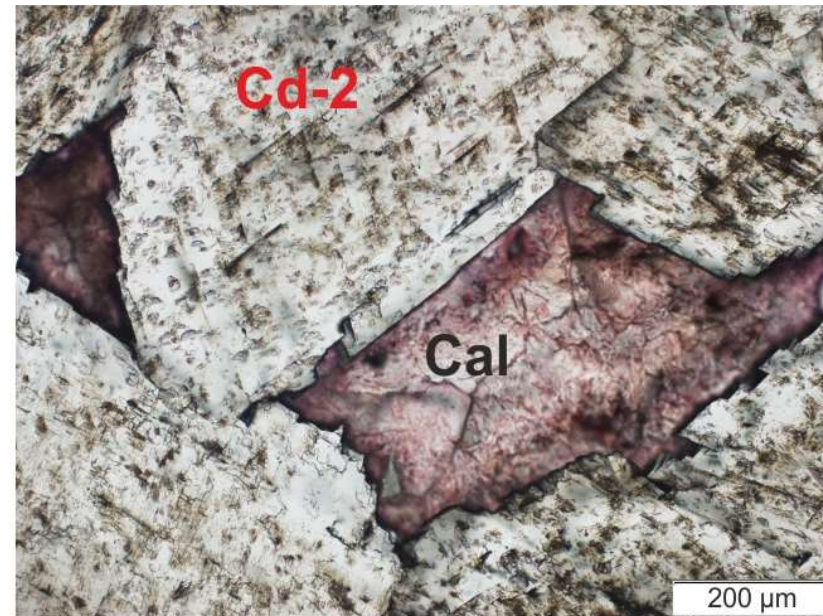
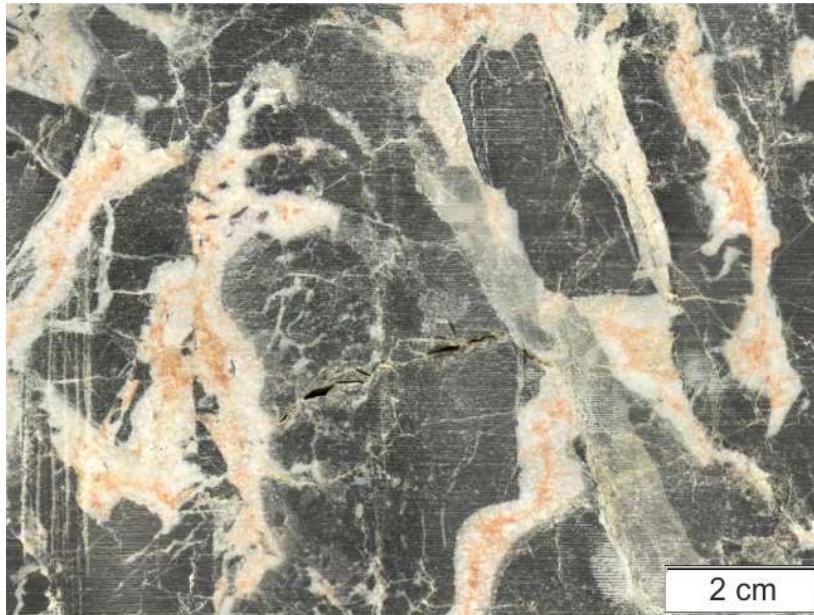
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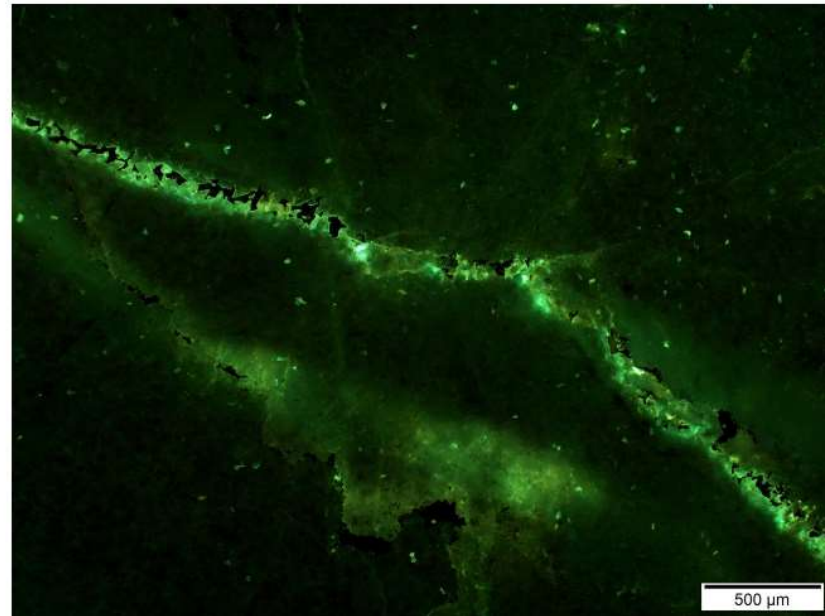
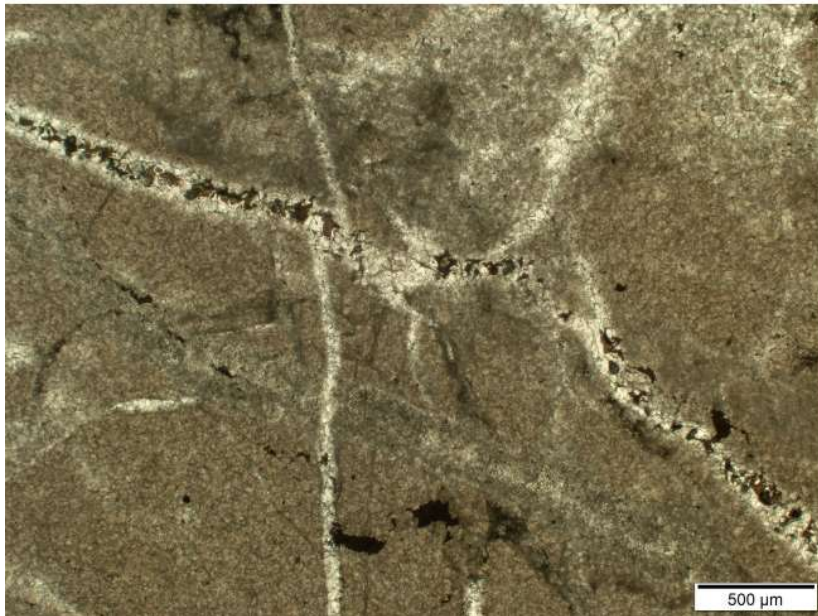
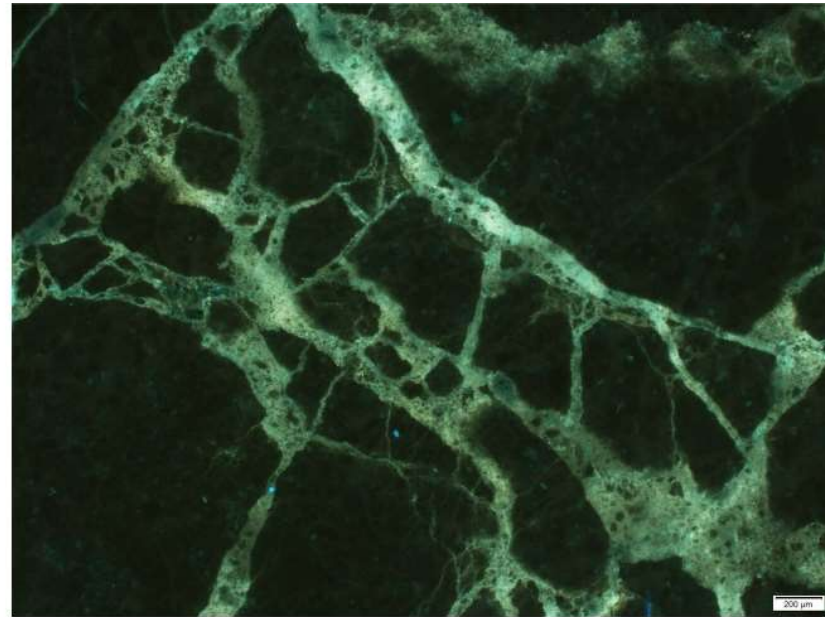
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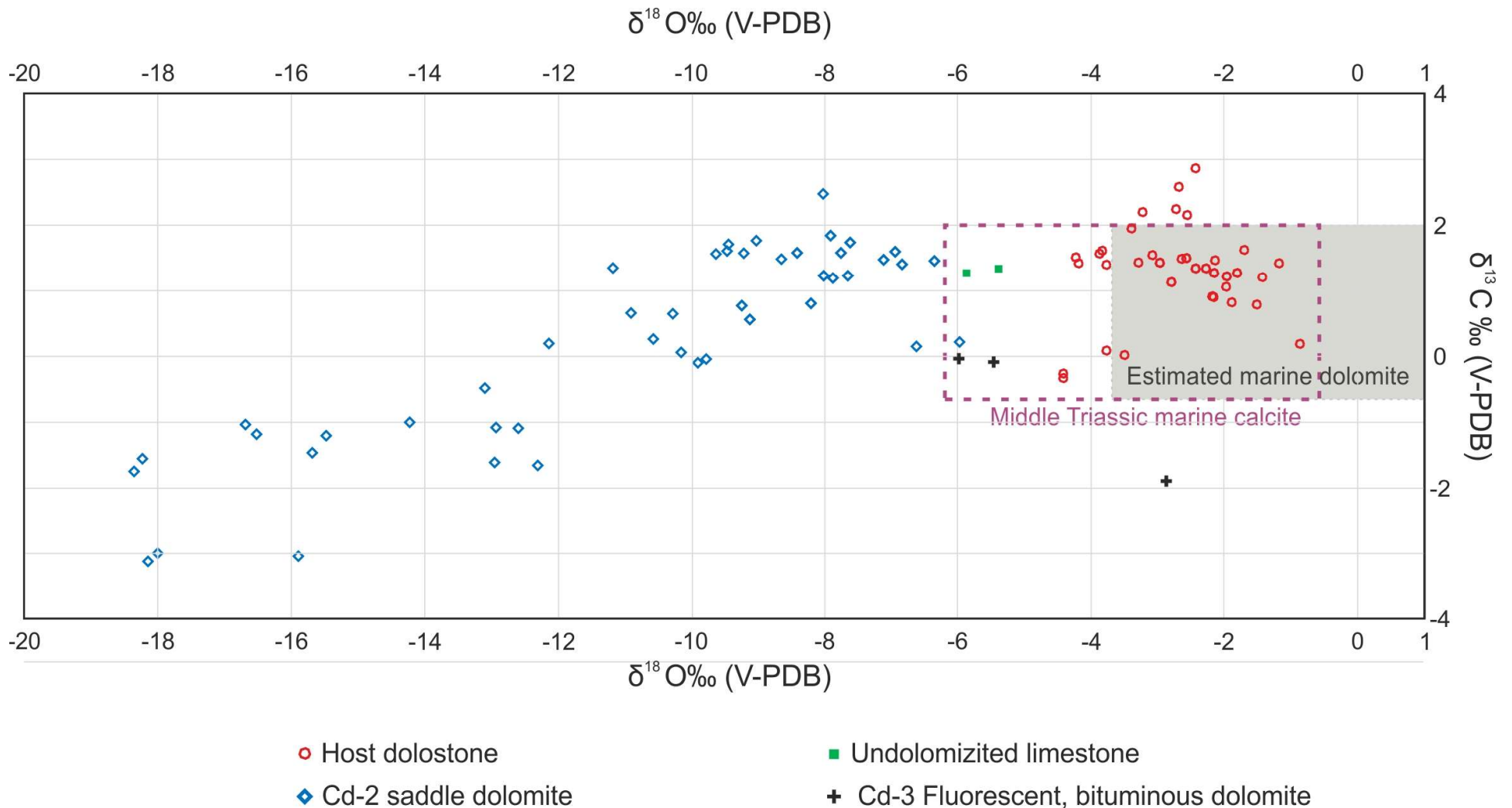
# Porosity-reducing telogenetic cements



# Neogene fractures and cements

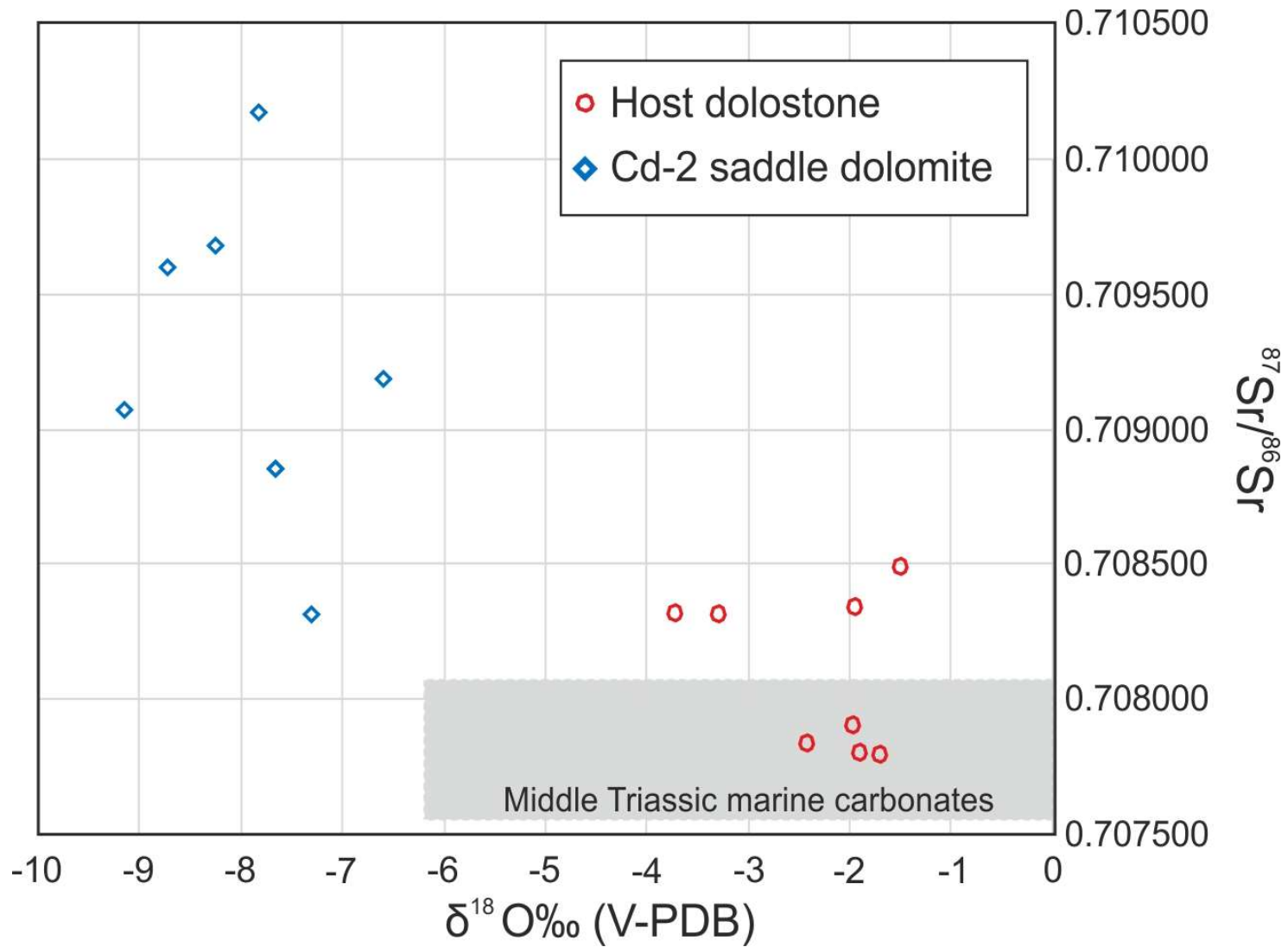


# Carbon and oxygen isotopes



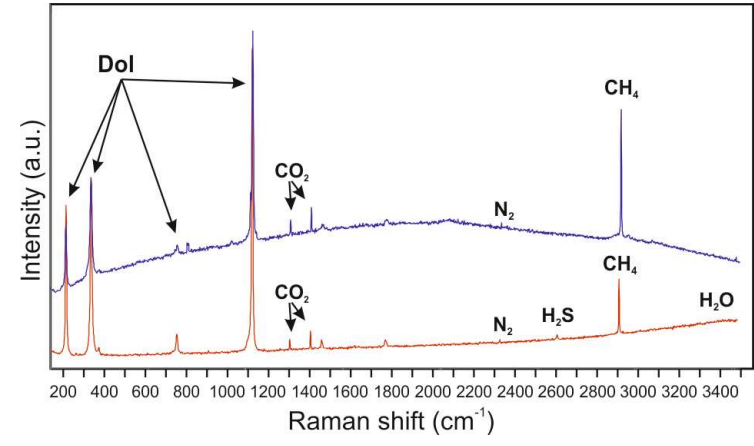
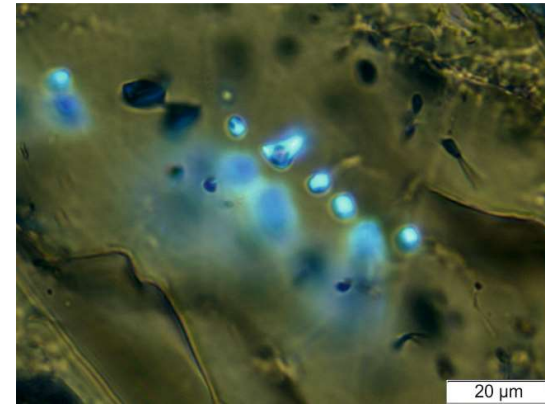
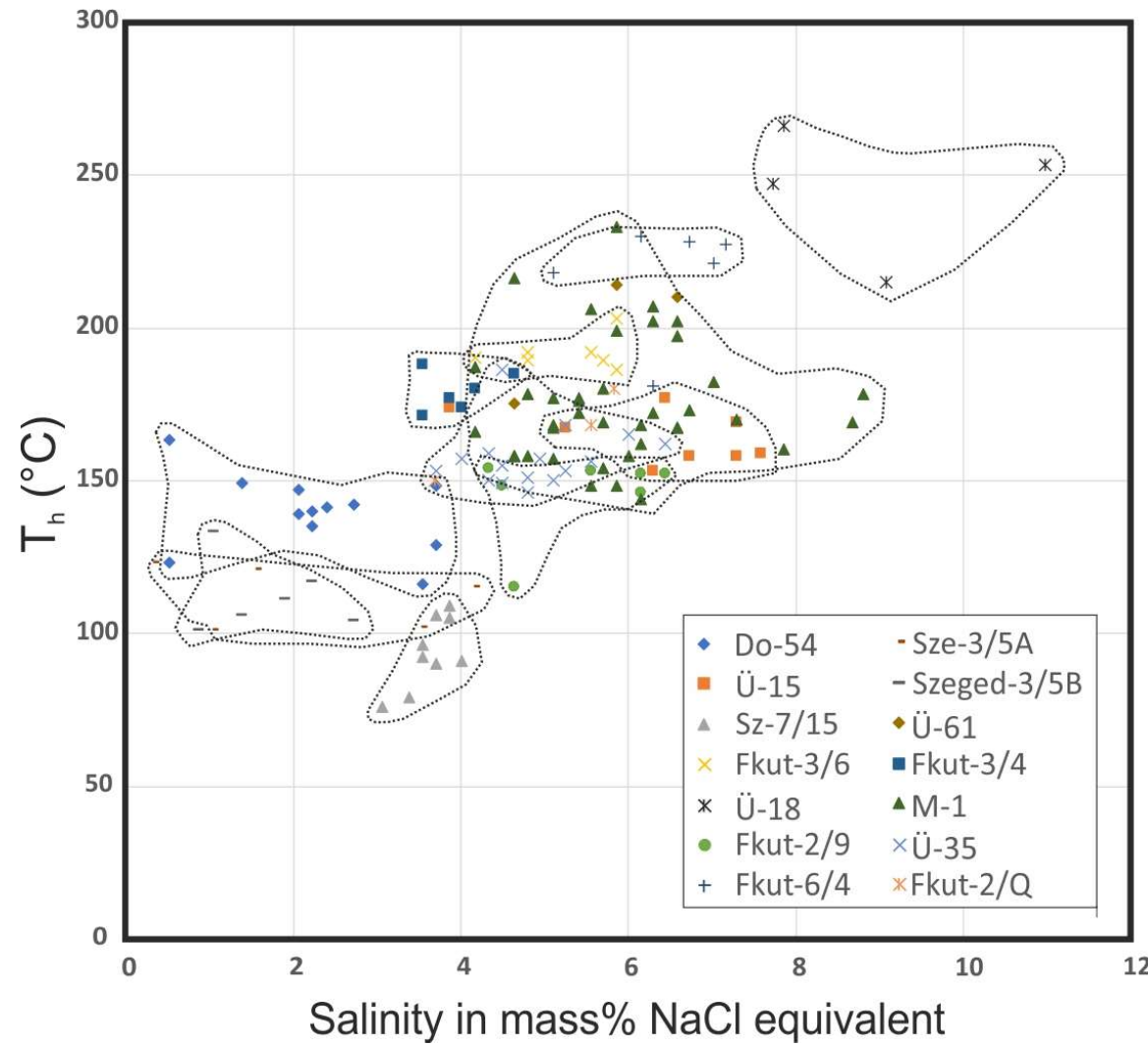
A cross-plot of  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  against  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  for different dolomites in the Szeged Dolomite Formation shown relative to fields of Middle Triassic marine calcite (Korte et al., 2005) and calculated (cf. Major et al., 1992) for cogenetic marine dolomite.

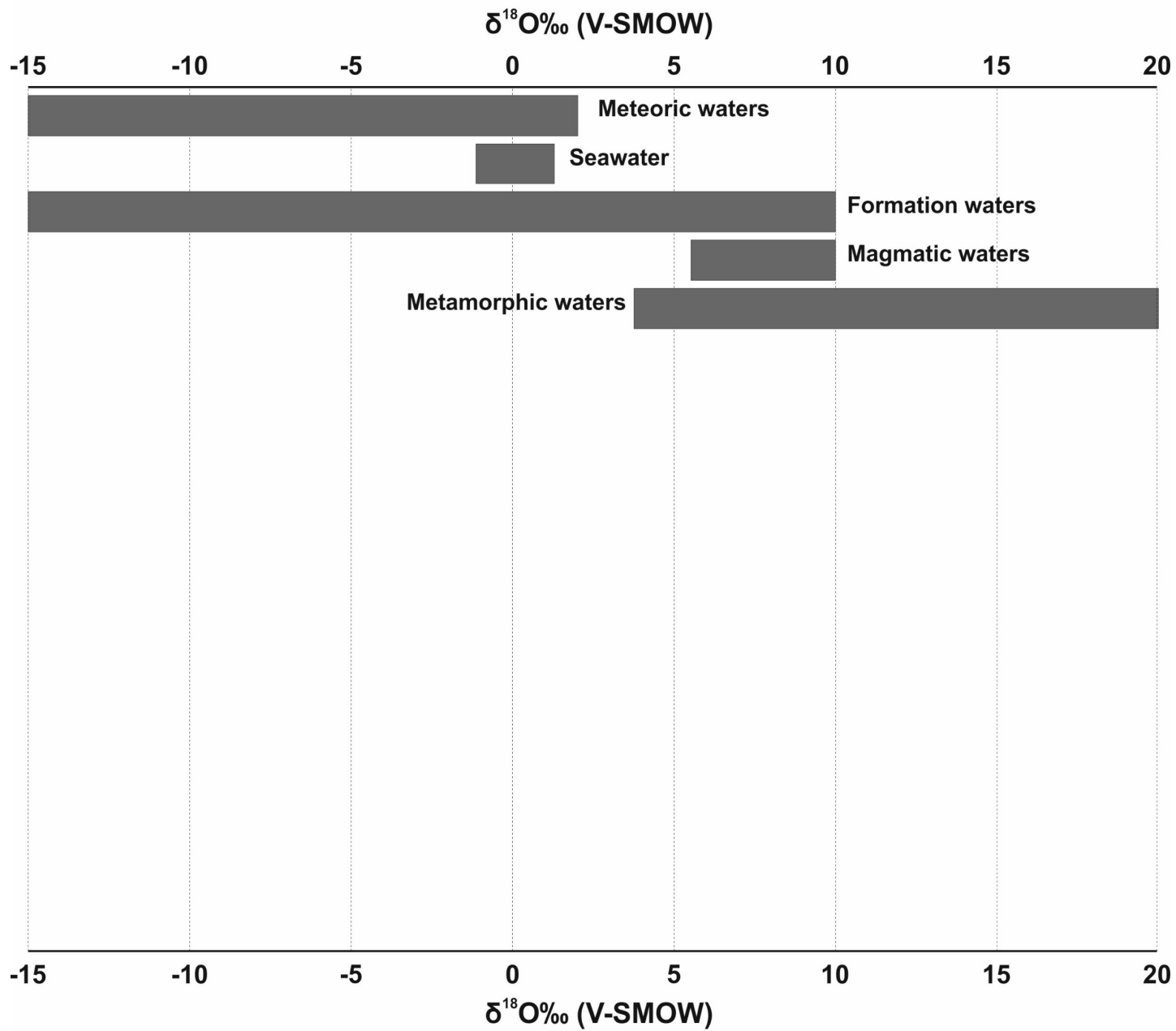
# $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ isotope ratios



Fields depicted from the literature for the Middle Triassic marine calcite (Korte et al., 2003, 2005)

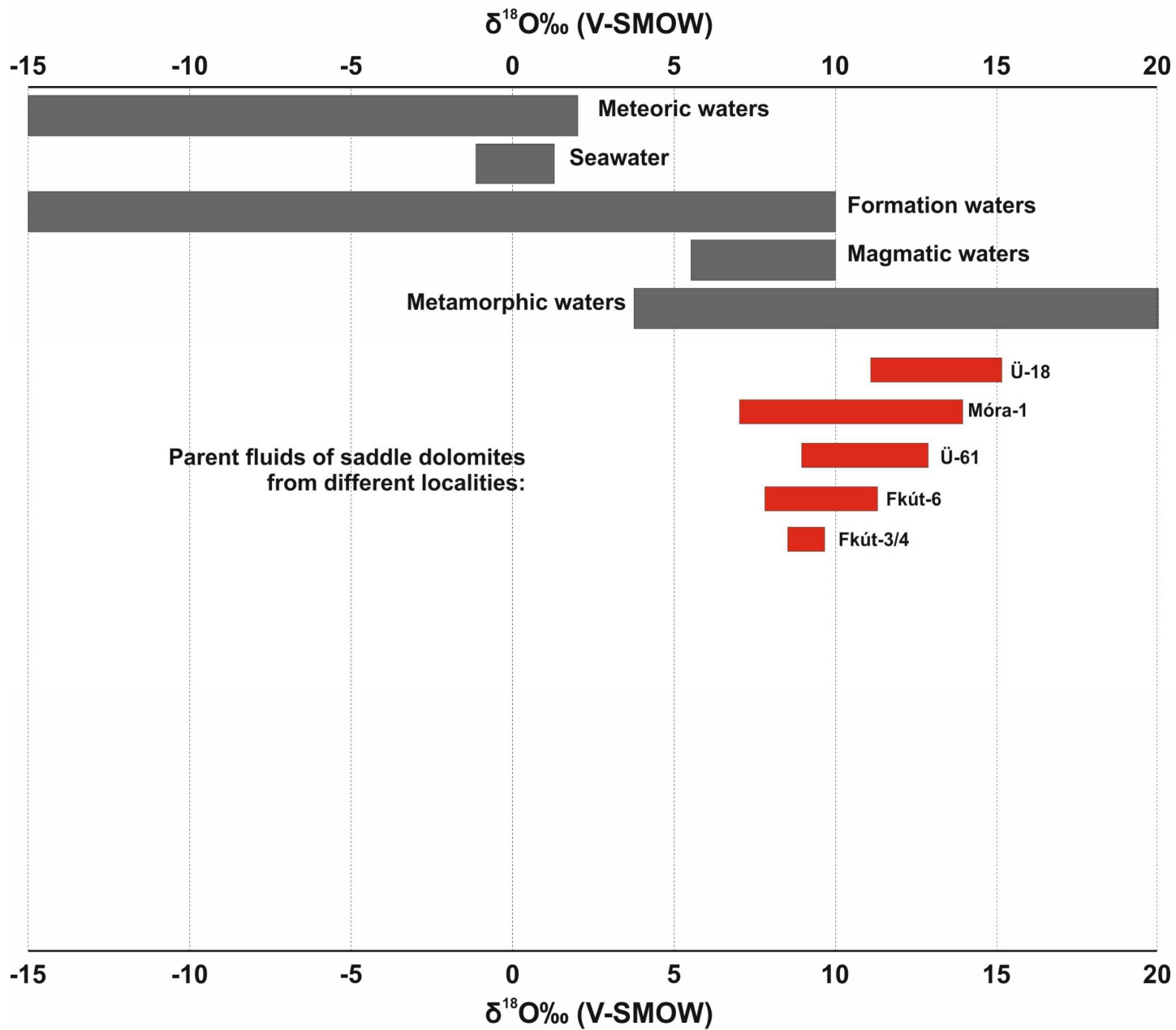
# Fluid inclusion studies on saddle dolomite crystals





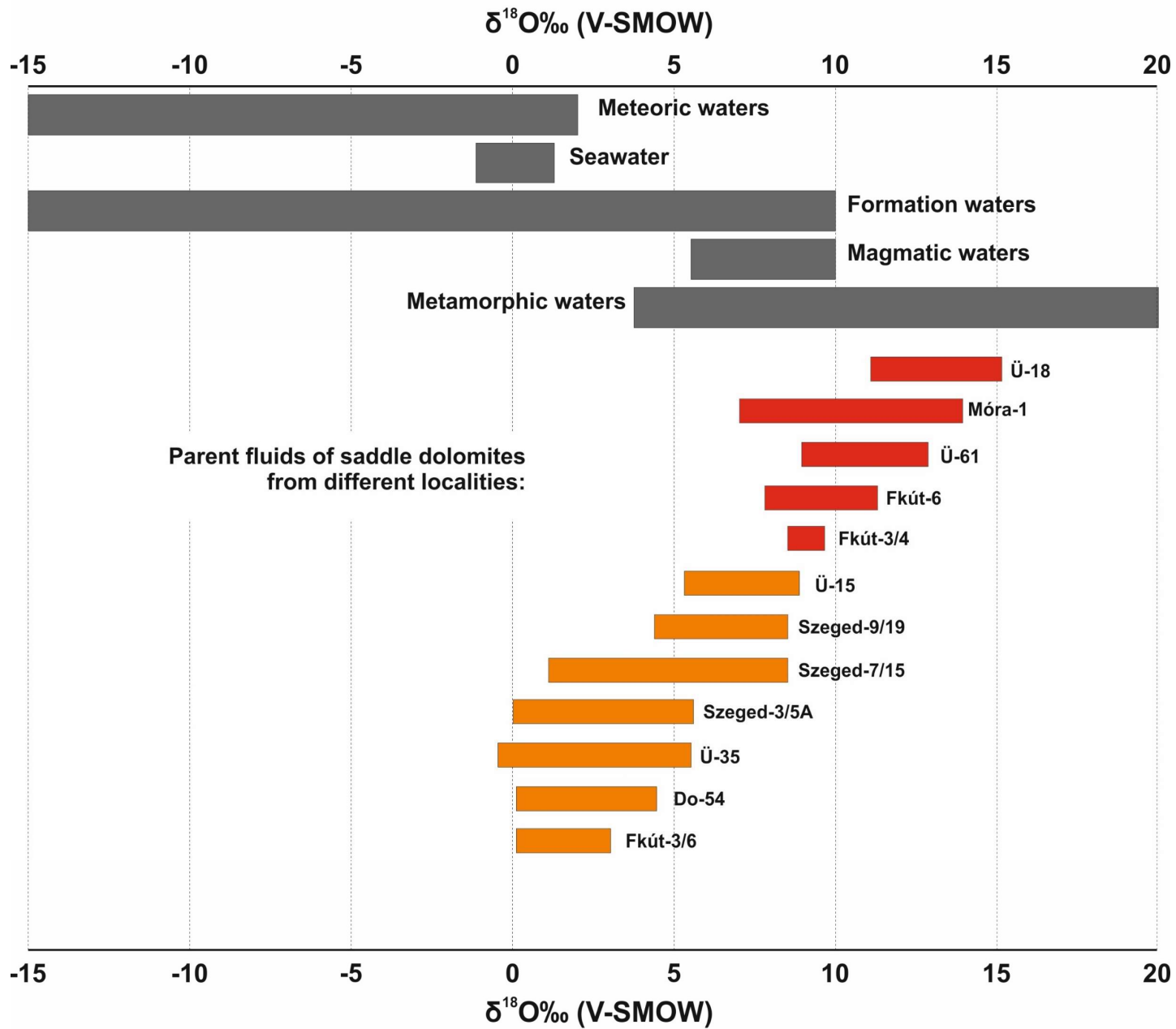
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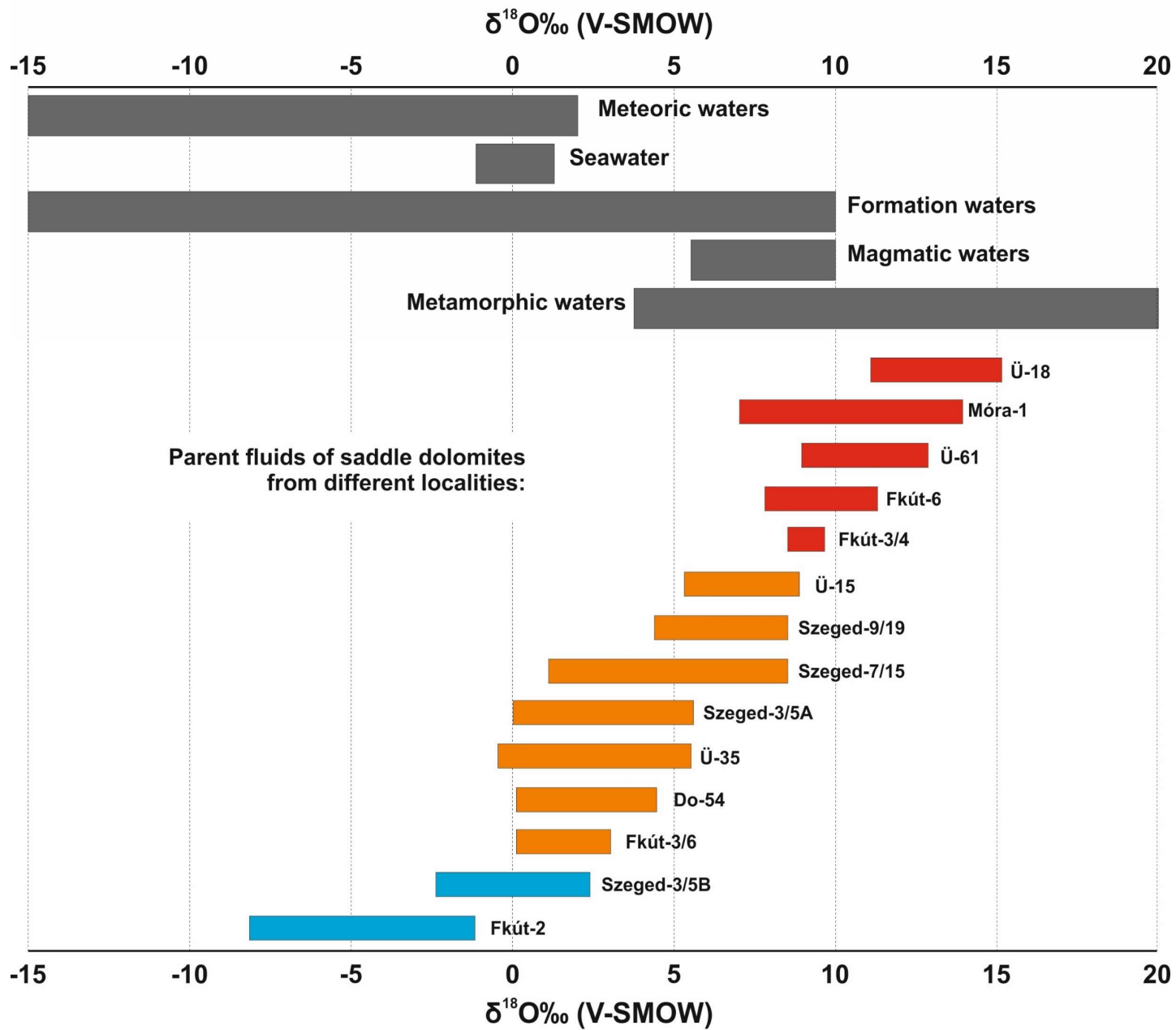
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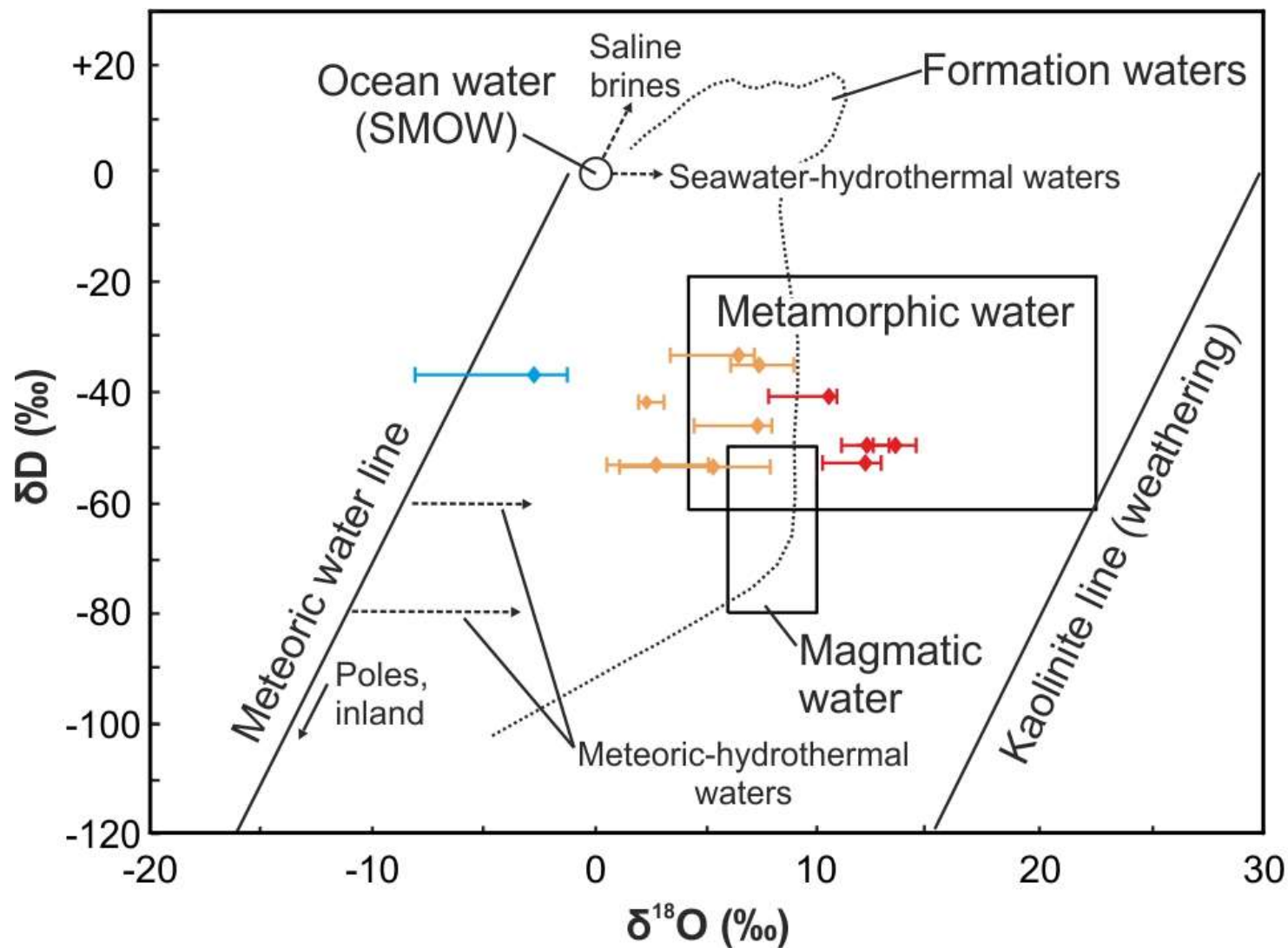




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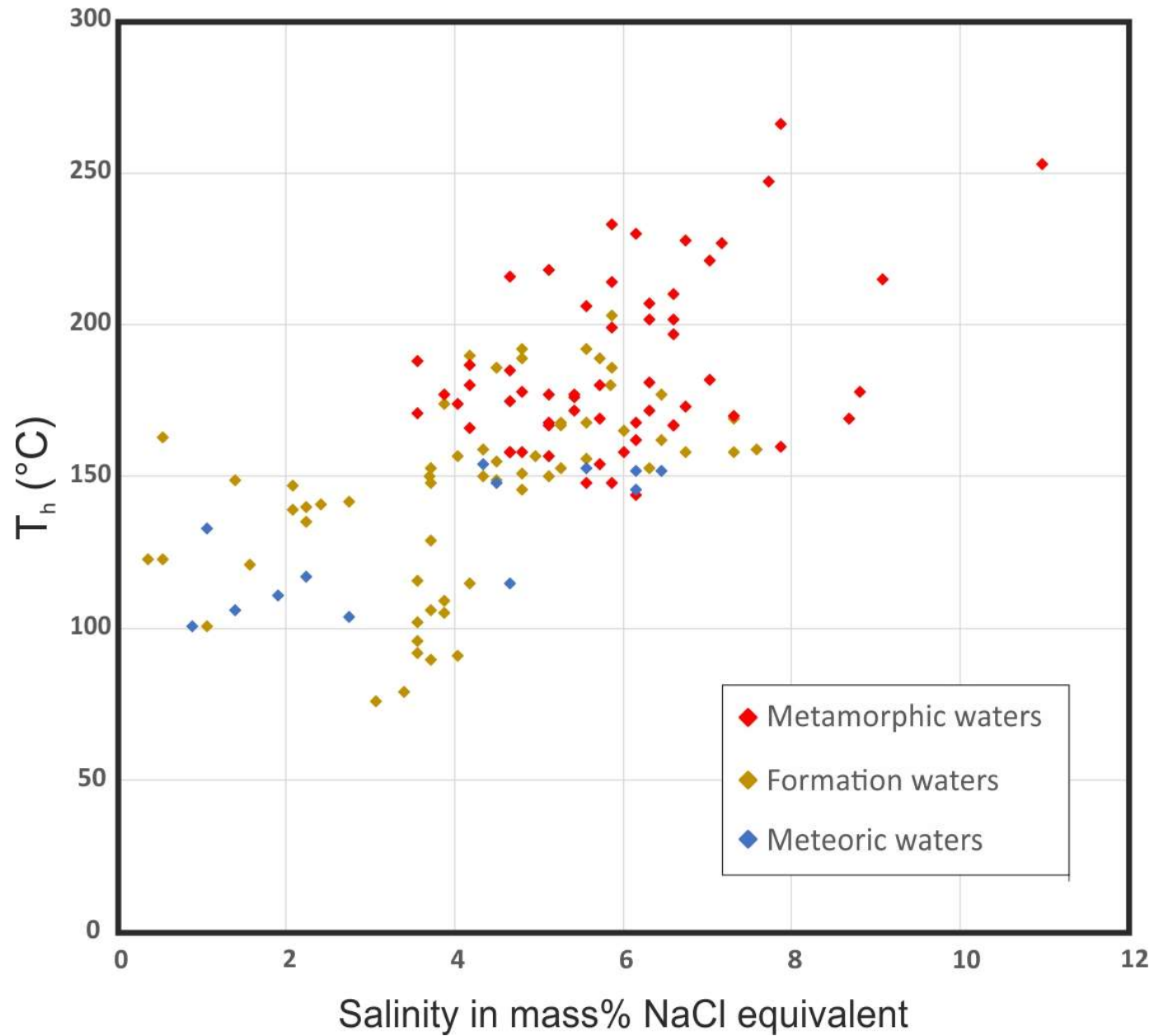
# Hydrogen isotope composition of fluid inclusion-hosted H<sub>2</sub>O



Fields of primary waters and transitions are from Sheppard (1986) and Hoefs (2004).

*Note:* the low and moderate salinity values paired with  $\delta^{18}O_{H_2O}$  data also support the mixed meteoric and metamorphic origin of fluids

# Interpreted fluid inclusion data from saddle dolomite





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Abstract

## Fluid flow and diagenesis in carbonate dominated Foreland Fold and Thrust Belts: petrographic inferences from field studies of late-diagenetic fabrics from Albania, Belgium, Canada, Mexico and Pakistan

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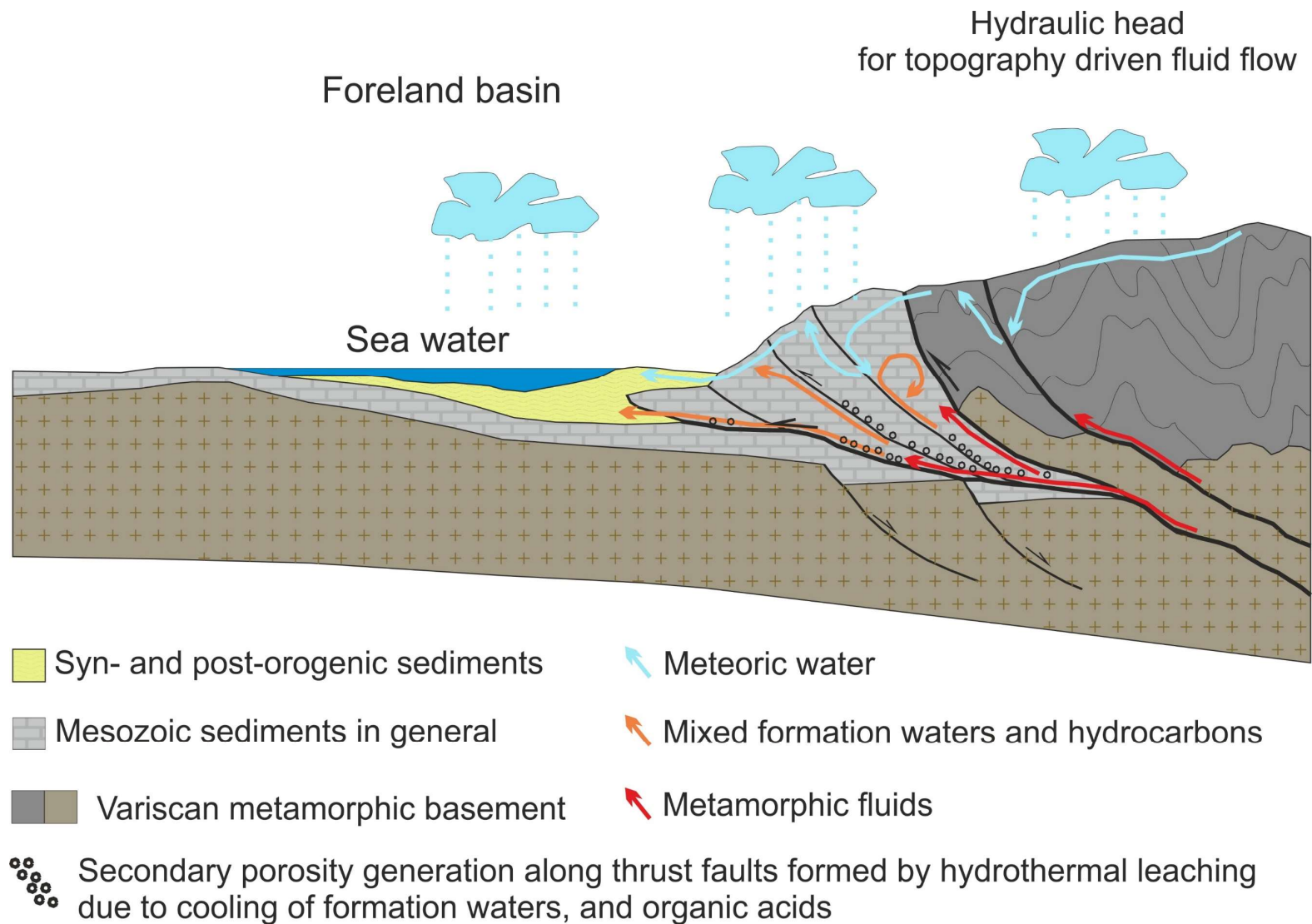
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### Abstract

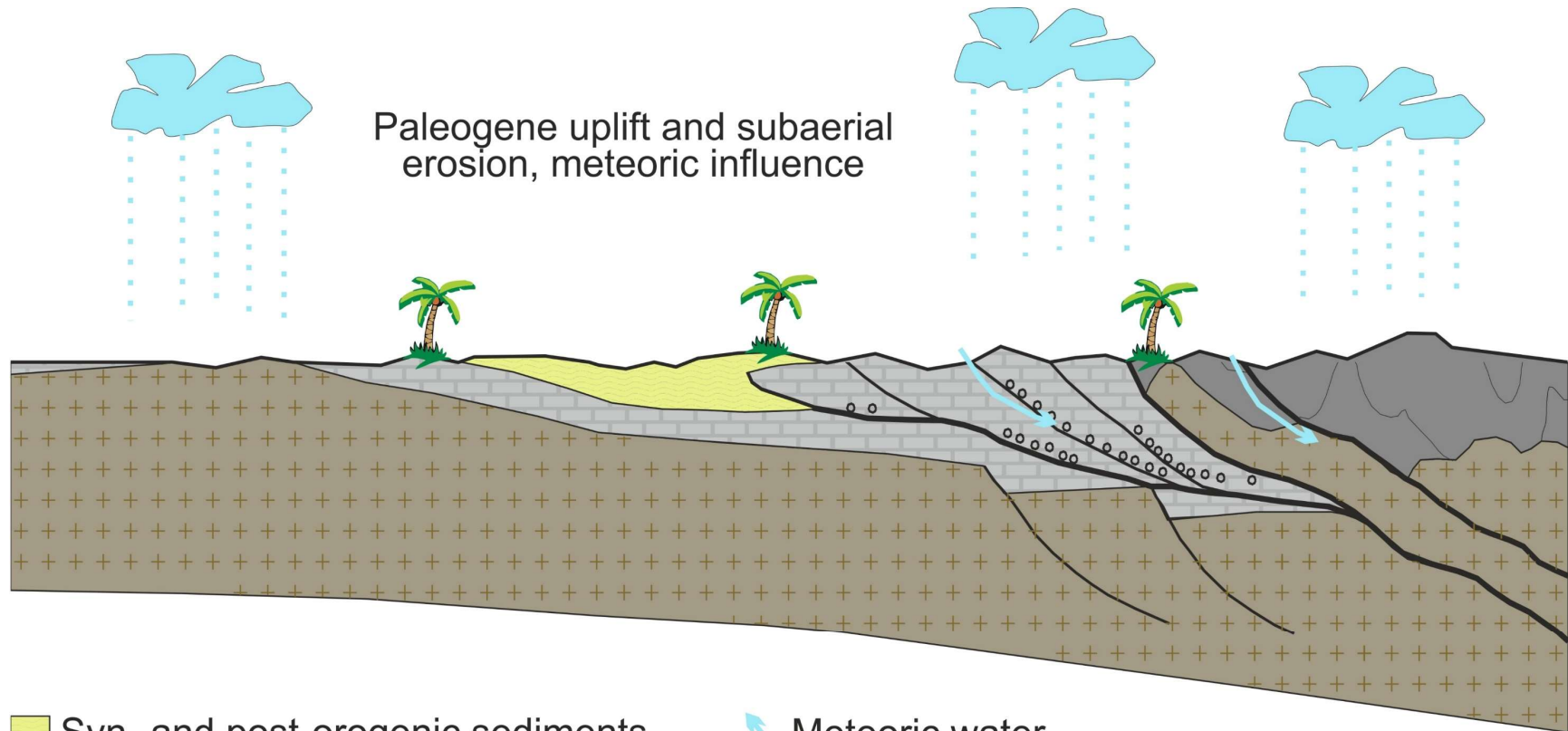
Five different Foreland Fold and Thrust Belt (FFTB) systems have been studied with the aim of reconstructing the fluid flow history through time and to deduce the primary processes affecting reservoir units. By placing the diagenetic history into its kinematic framework, a database is generated allowing to predict diagenetic processes in FFTBs. Particular attention is paid to the late diagenetic processes since petrographical and geochemical data indicate that several of these processes reflect nonequilibrium conditions with respect to their host rocks. Some of these systems involve channeled fluid flow where the system is, to some extent, water dominated (e.g. hydrothermal karstification, MVT mineralisation, zebra dolomitization and cooling of formation water). Other processes are less fluid prone, but here cooling of entire thrust sheets by thrusting and

# Late Cretaceous syn-orogenic hydrologic system



Schematic representation of fluid sources and pathways in a carbonate dominated fold-and-thrust belt (Based on Swennen et al. 2003 and Roure et al. 2005).

# Paleogene erosion




 Syn- and post-orogenic sediments

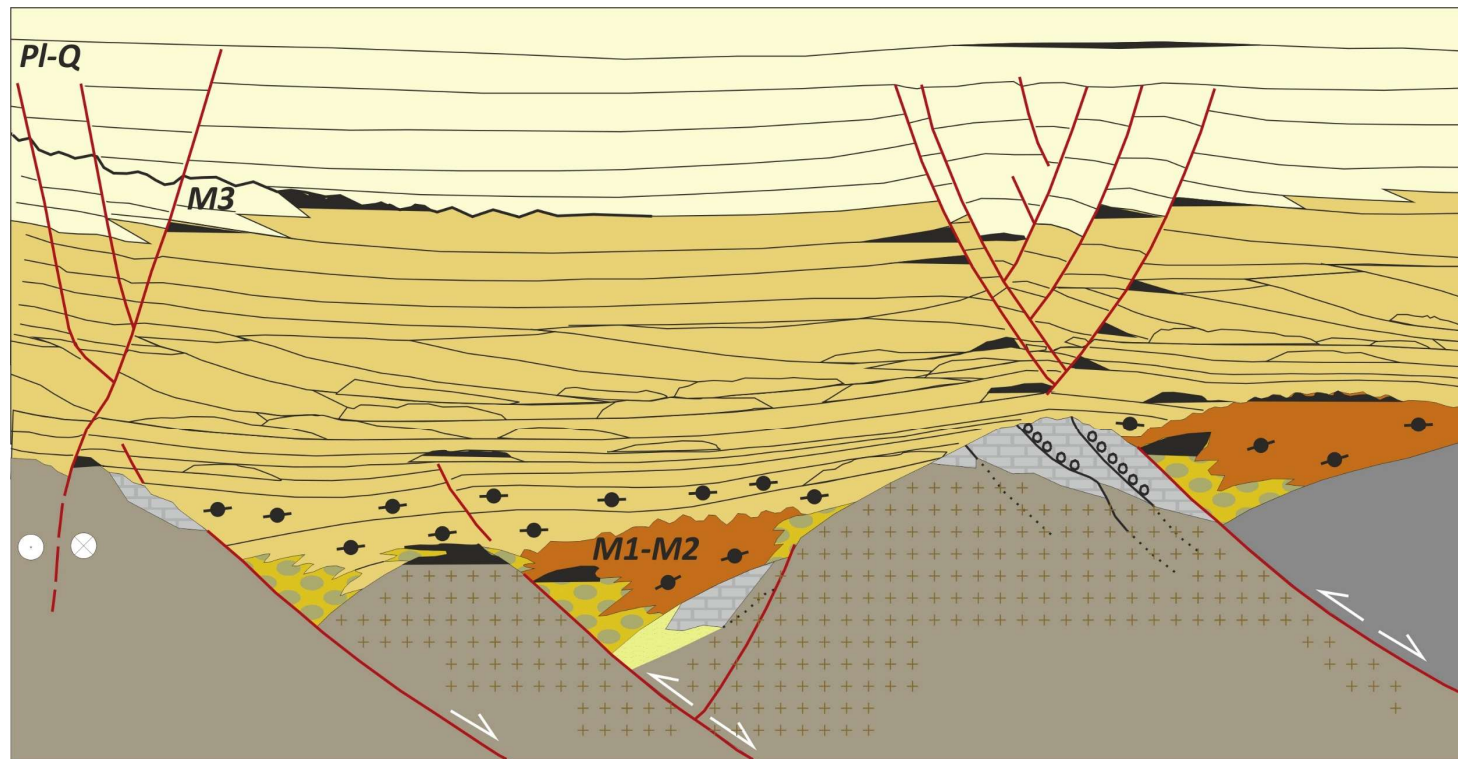
 Meteoric water

 Mesozoic sediments in general

 Variscan metamorphic basement

 Preserved secondary porosity

# Formation of the recently known petroleum system during the Neogene



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| Syn- and post-orogenic sediments | Lower to Middle Miocene sediments |
| Mesozoic sediments in general    | Pannonian sediments in general    |
| Variscan metamorphic basement    | footwall derived clastic fan      |
| Preserved secondary porosity     | mature source rock                |
|                                  | HC field                          |

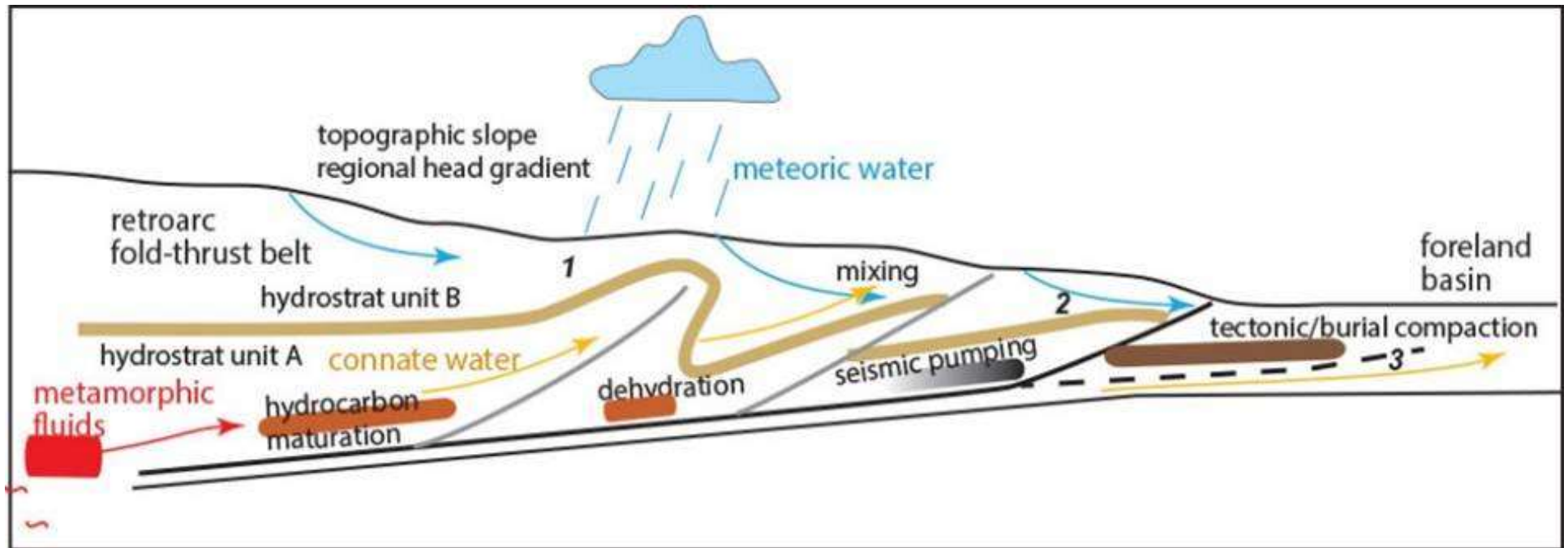
Idealized cross section showing the petroleum systems of the Neogene basin fill (modified after Balázs et al. 2017, and Tari & Horváth 2006).

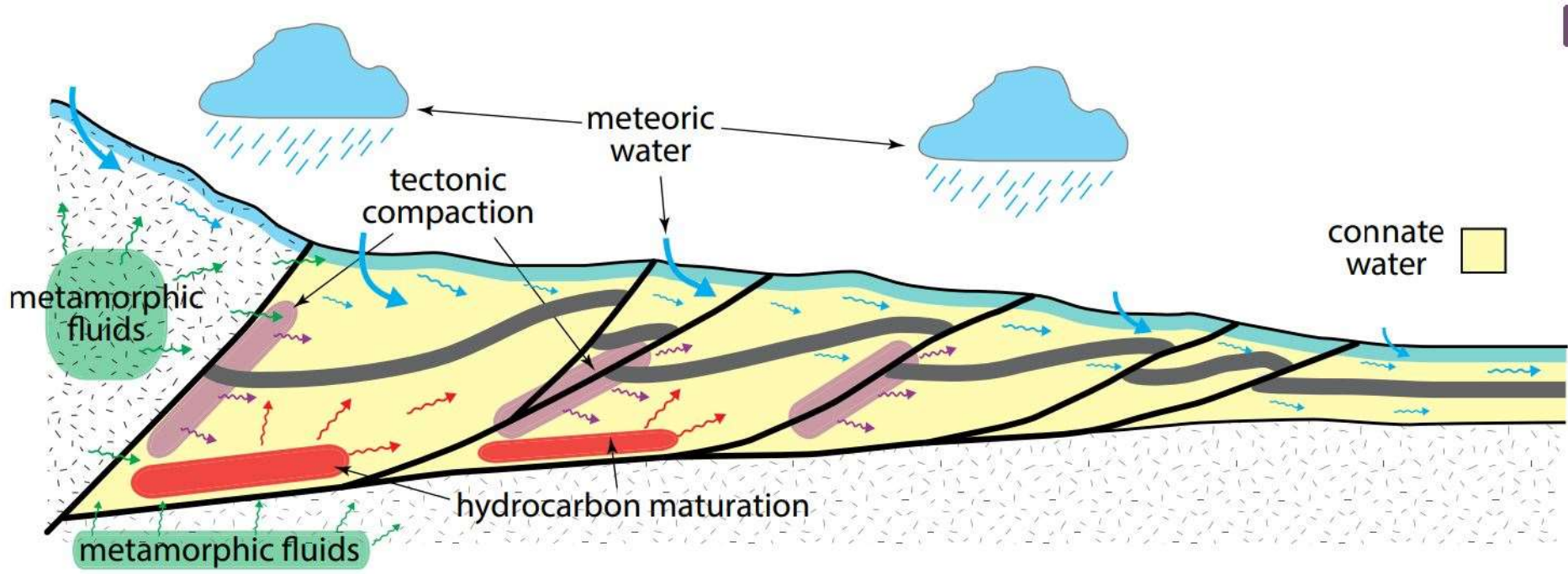
## Concluding remarks

- The main dolomitizing processes were controlled by the reflux of mesohaline seawater and/or deep convection of seawater through the ancient platform. These processes took place from the near surface to shallow burial realms and, by the time the succession reached the depth of up to 1000 meters, it was completely dolomitized and cemented.
- The saddle dolomites were formed through the hydrothermal alteration of matrix dolomite by way of invasion of metamorphogenic formational and meteoric fluids, that were probably channeled by the Upper Cretaceous subhorizontal overthrust zones during and immediately after the Alpine orogeny.
- The studied reservoir rocks contain significant amount of secondary porosity that were formed by the leaching effect of the hydrothermal fluids. These pores were partly occluded during the Paleogene–Middle Miocene subaerial exposure but their remarkable part could have been preserved, and currently serve as reservoir space.

***Thank you for your kind attention!***







**Figure 1. Generalized illustration of fluid system structure within a foreland orogenic wedge; colors represent different fluid types and origins.**

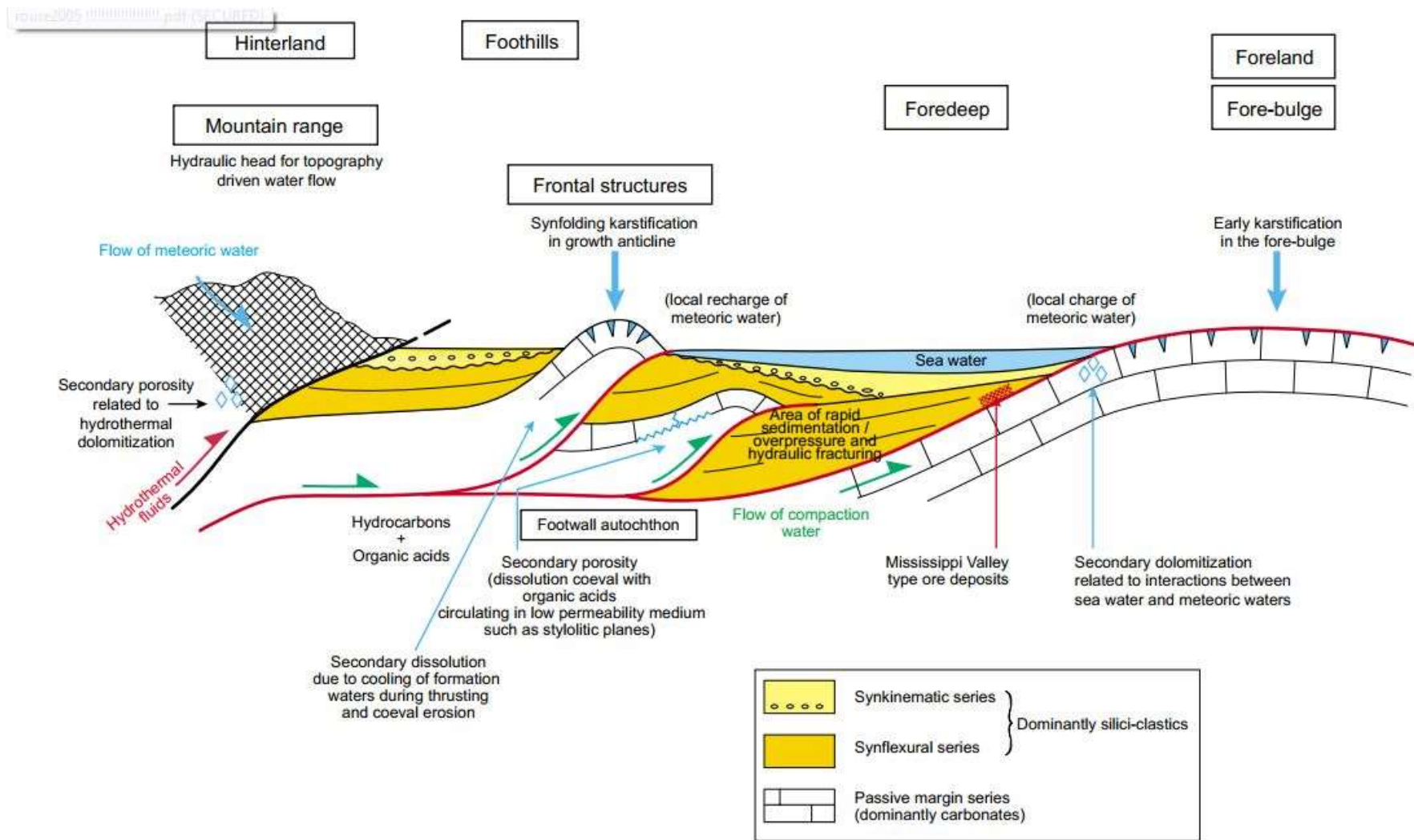


Figure 2

Synthetic cross-section of a foreland fold-and-thrust belt summarizing the main structural domains, as well as the various cementation habitats *versus* dissolution of carbonate reservoirs.

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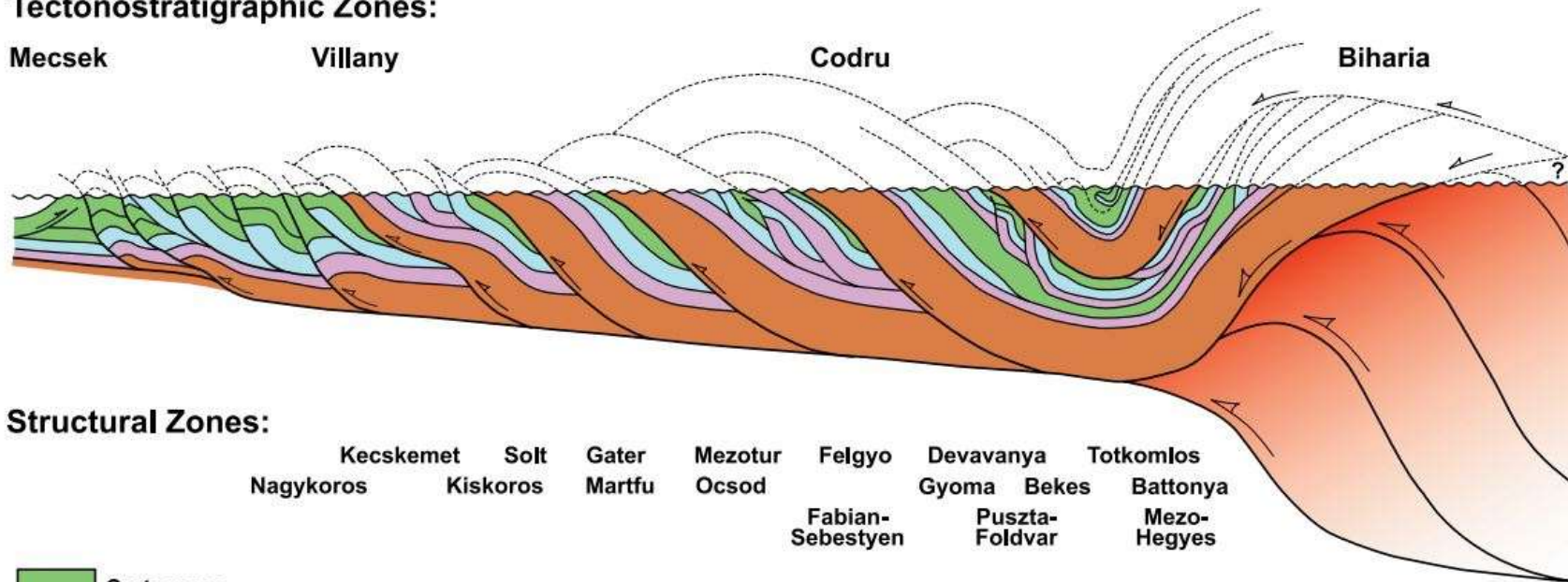
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Biharia



**Structural Zones:**

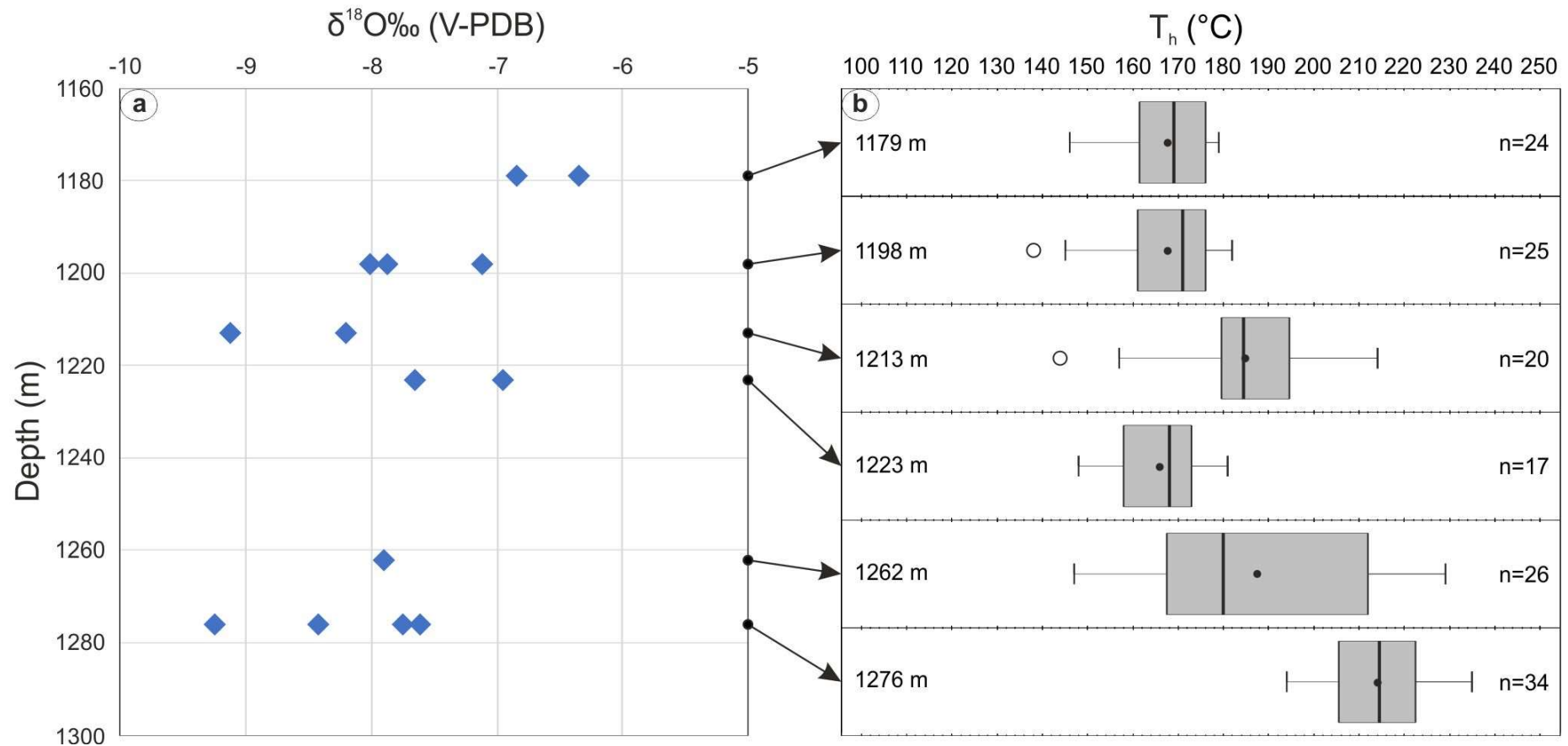
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Kiskoros    Kiskoros    Martfu    Ocsod    Fabian-Sebestyen    Gyoma    Bekes    Battonya  
Puszta-Foldvar    Mezo-Hegybes

Green box: Cretaceous  
Light blue box: Jurassic  
Purple box: Triassic and Permian

Orange box: Paleozoic and crystalline basement  
Red box: unknown (?) crystalline basement

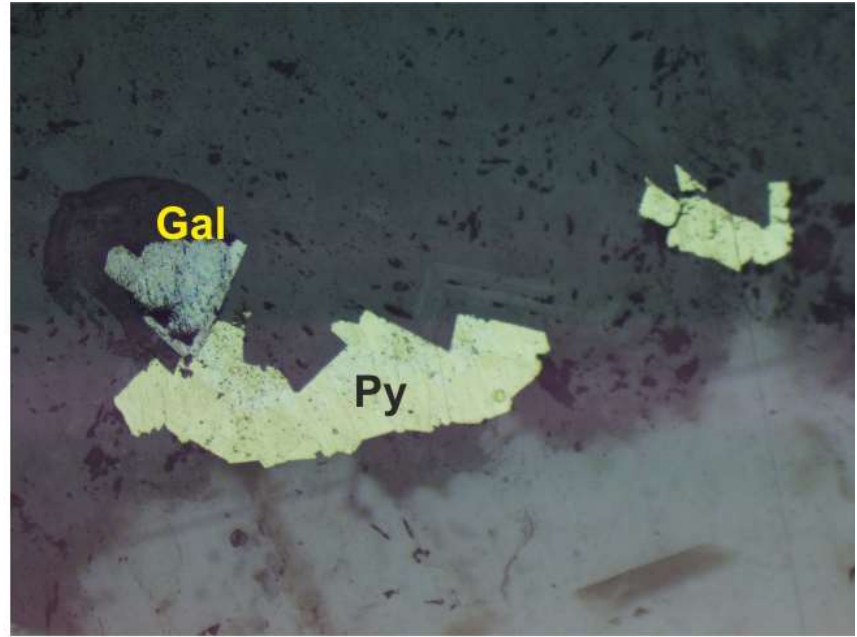
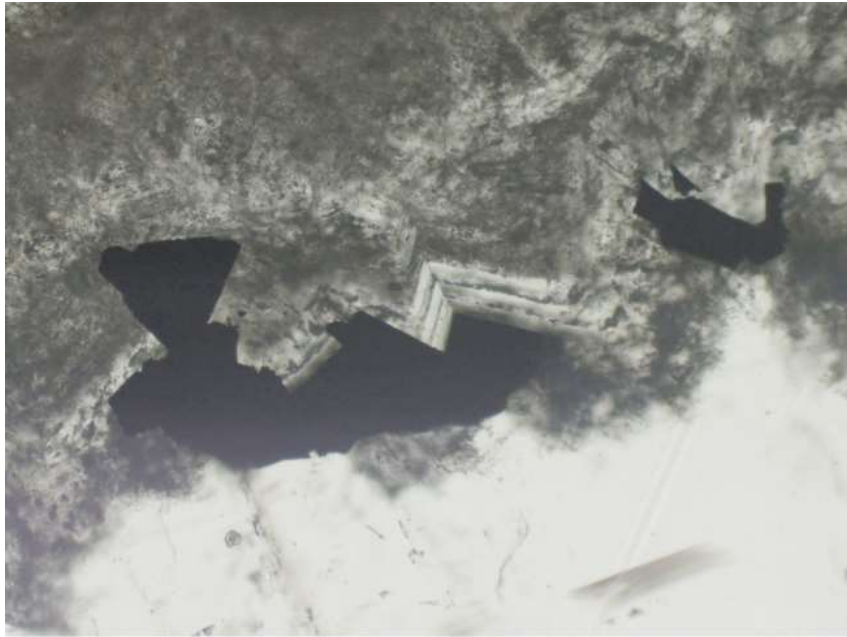
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# Depth related $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ and $T_h$ data measured on Cd-2 dolomite crystals

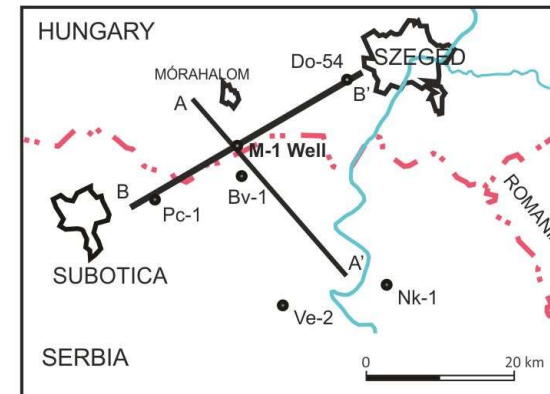
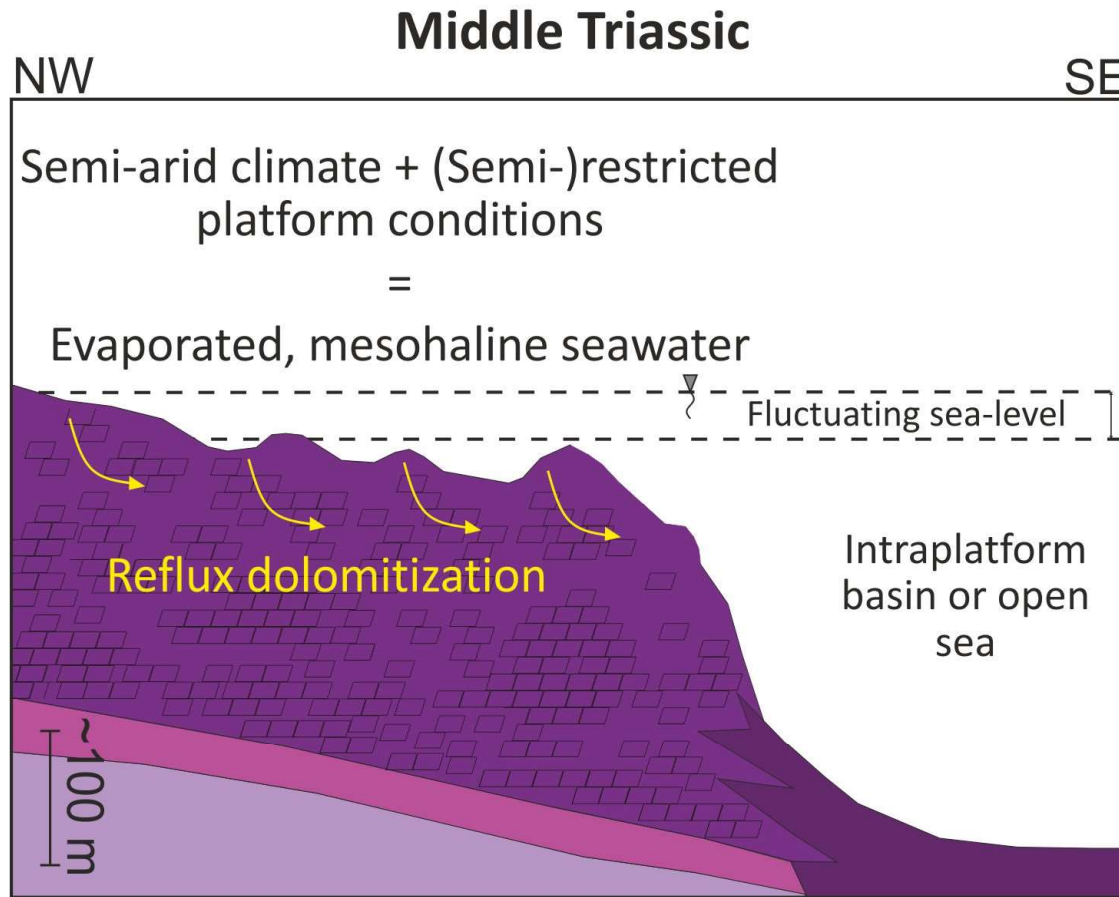


The  $T_h$  data for the six measured Cd-2 dolomite samples fall along a line of slope average  $30\text{--}50^\circ\text{C}/100\text{ m}$  which suggest an extremely increased heat-flow that could be interpreted as a result of a **relatively short-term hydrothermal overprint**.

The  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  values measured from the same samples change simultaneously with the  $T_h$  data that suggests an **equilibrium isotope fractionation during the precipitation**.



# Pervasive early diagenetic dolomitization

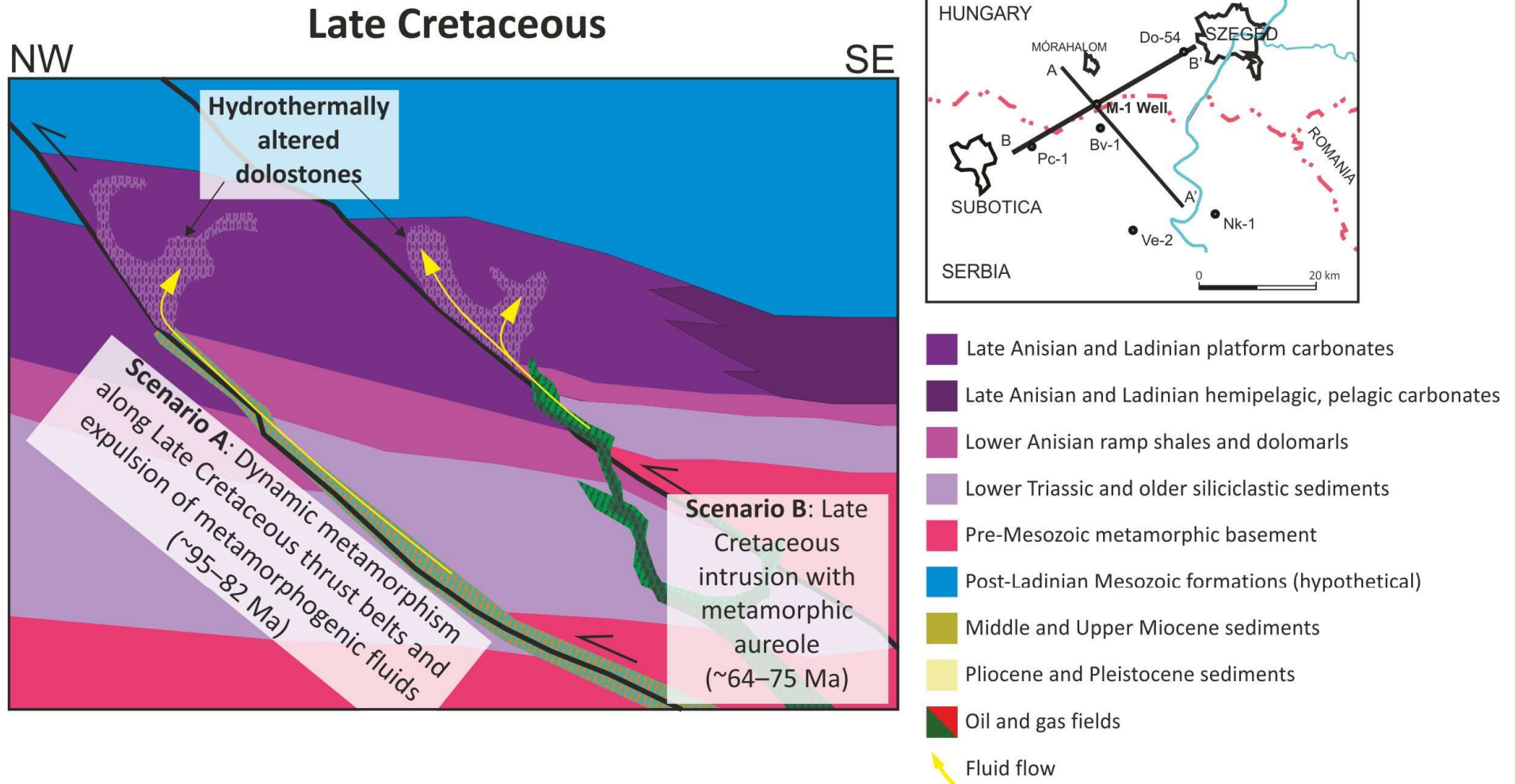


- Late Anisian and Ladinian platform carbonates
- Late Anisian and Ladinian hemipelagic, pelagic carbonates
- Lower Anisian ramp shales and dolomarls
- Lower Triassic and older siliciclastic sediments
- Pre-Mesozoic metamorphic basement
- Post-Ladinian Mesozoic formations (hypothetical)
- Middle and Upper Miocene sediments
- Pliocene and Pleistocene sediments
- Oil and gas fields
- Fluid flow

## **'Seawater dolomitization' model:**

reflux of slightly evaporated seawater and minor overprint by thermal seawater convection (e.g., Whitaker et al., 1994; Machel, 2004).

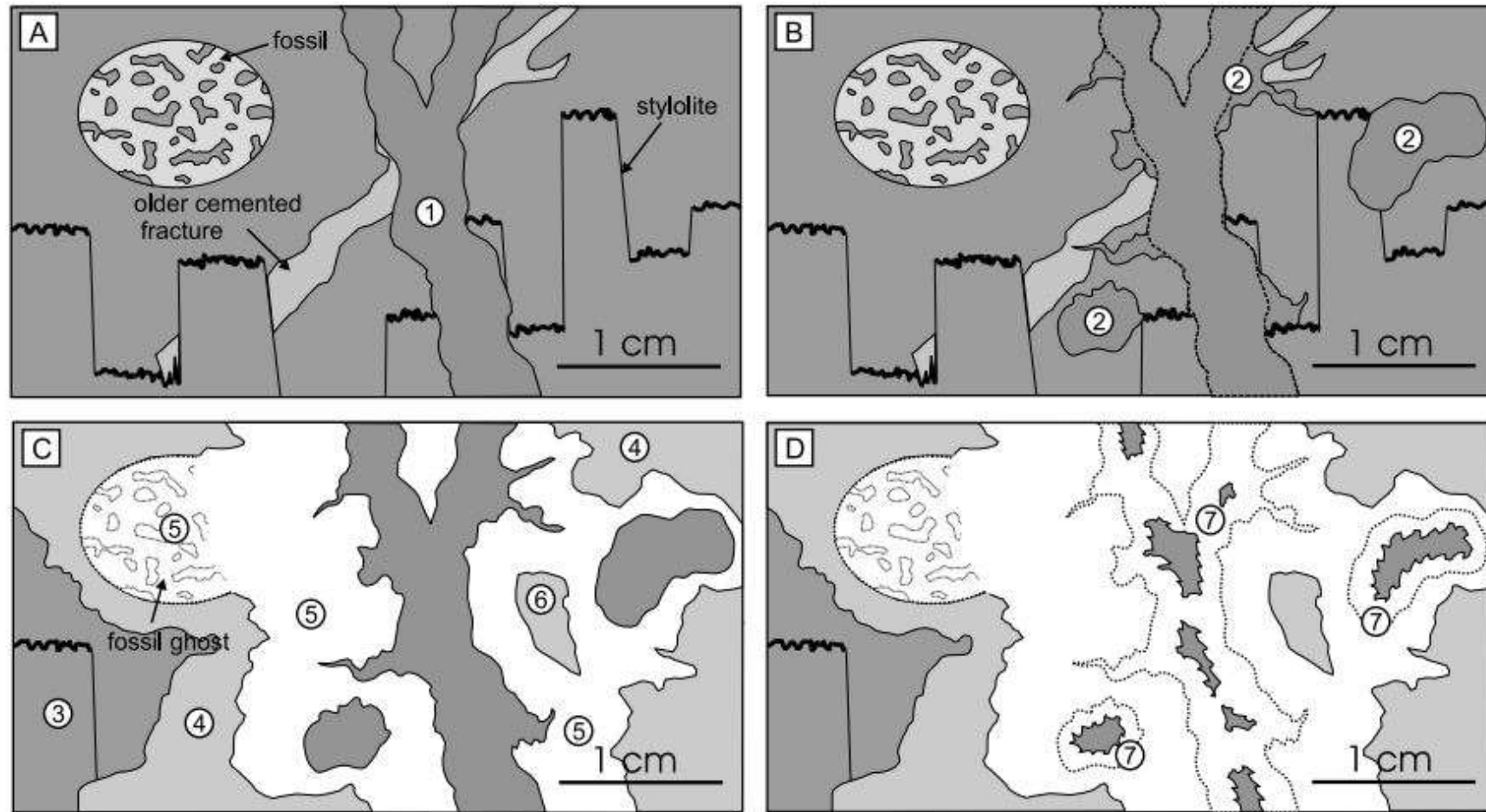
# Hydrothermal alteration



## **Possible timing of metamorphic and/or magmatic fluids:**

Turonian–Coniacian (Pre-Gosau) nappe-stacking and/or subsequent calc-alkaline intrusive magmatism (‘banatite’) during the Campanian–Maastrichtian.

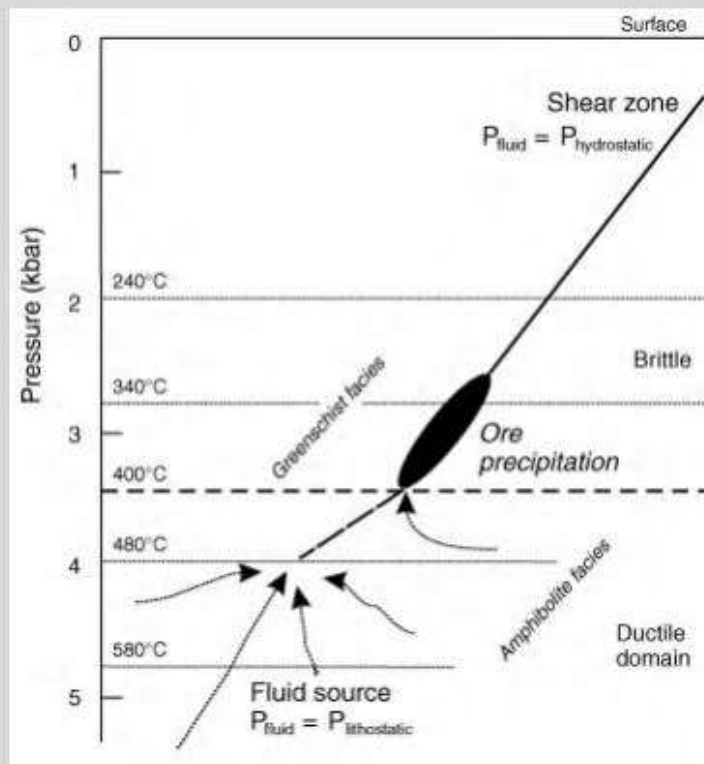




**Figure 12.** Schematic representation of dolomitization and subsequent hydrothermal alteration, based on petrographic observations. Precursor limestone, including cements of phase 6 in the narrow fracture, was previously replaced by GMD (phase 10, Figure 4), whereas the calcite skeleton of fossil was not replaced. (A) Vertical to subvertical fracture (1) (fracture II, phase 12, Figure 4) cut across all previously formed diagenetic phases. Some dissolution along the fracture walls exists, resulting in irregular boundaries caused by the introduction of a solution undersaturated with respect to dolomite. (B) The hydrothermal fluid undersaturated with respect to dolomite continues to dissolve dolomite adjacent to the walls of the fracture and in adjacent permeable domains. Dissolution by the hydrothermal fluid resulted in an increase in the width of the fractures and the generation of oversized pores = vugs (2). (C) Continued dissolution brings the hydrothermal fluid to saturation with respect to dolomite. At this stage, dissolution ceases and replacive saddle dolomite (5) forms immediately adjacent to the fracture walls and oversized vuggy pores. At greater distances away from the conduits for the hydrothermal fluids, the original gray matrix dolomite shows textural and/or geochemical evidence for recrystallization (4, reX GMD). Another product of the recrystallization of gray matrix dolomite is the generation of pseudobrecciated dolomite fabrics (6). In domains where the hydrothermal fluids did not enter, there is no textural and/or geochemical evidence for recrystallization of gray matrix dolomite (3). (D) The latest stage of hydrothermal alteration is represented by the partial cementation of oversized pores and fractures by well-developed crystals of saddle dolomite (7) (SD, phase 13, Figure 4).

## BOX 1.13 Two end member models of metamorphogenic ore formation

**1. Prograde metamorphogenic ore formation.** Normally, metamorphic fluids are expelled in the form of a wide and diffuse flow into regions of lower pressure (Hanson 1997, Jamveit & Yardley 1997). Large regional tectonic structures (shear zones, extensional faults and thrust faults) focus the diffuse flow, because they can be channels of higher permeability (Figure 1.85). The permeability of the lower ductile crust (~10–15 km beneath the surface, depending on the geothermal gradient) undergoing prograde metamorphism is very low with a flow of only 0.25 m/year (Beaudoin & Therrien 1999) and the pressure regime is lithostatic. Note, however, that even in the middle and lower crust, an interplay between brittle and ductile deformation may occur (Mancktelow 2006). In the brittle upper crust, permeability is much higher and flow in faults reaches 100–1000 m/year. When rising fluids enter this regime, pressure is released and approaches hydrostatic conditions. Descending (e.g. meteoric) water can penetrate as far as the brittle/ductile boundary (Ingebritsen & Manning 1999). Because of these particular conditions, the brittle/ductile transition at ca. 425–375°C is a very frequent location of metamorphogenic ore deposit formation.



**Figure 1.85** Ore deposit formation by prograde metamorphism. A shear zone focuses upflow of metamorphic fluids because of higher permeability. Its crustal-scale vertical extent facilitates transfer of fluids from lithostatic to hydrostatic pressure domains. Ore formation is a consequence of chemical or physical traps. The system is open, the mass flow is unidirectional.

**2. Retrograde metamorphogenic ore formation.** Many geological observations (e.g. concerning the structural control of orebodies) indicate that ore formation took place long after peak metamorphic conditions (or even totally unconnected to

