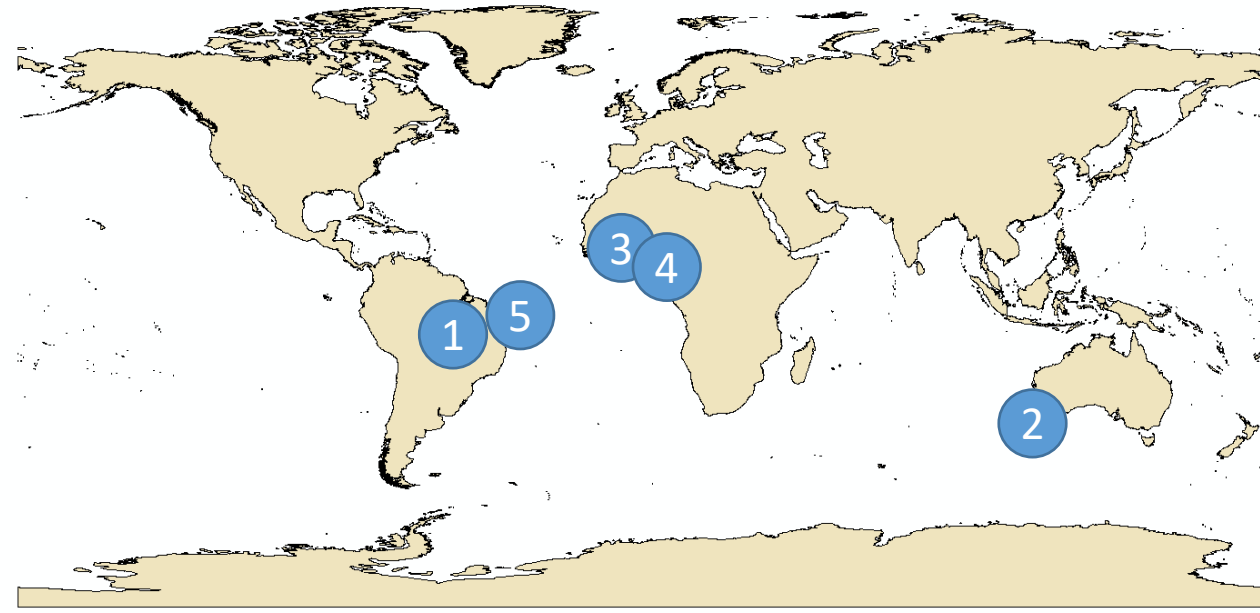


# Structural Geophysics

1. Chapadas das Mesas, Brazil- gets people talking in an area where there are no right answers!
2. Noddy Modelling- Intro to 3D structures and geophysical responses
3. Regolith/Geology Study from Burkina Faso-good use of mag, radiometrics and dtm
4. A geology interp of NW Ghana using Mag, Radiometrics and FDEM
5. Borborema Province, Brazil-best geophysics on the planet!



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# 1: Chapada das Mesas National Park



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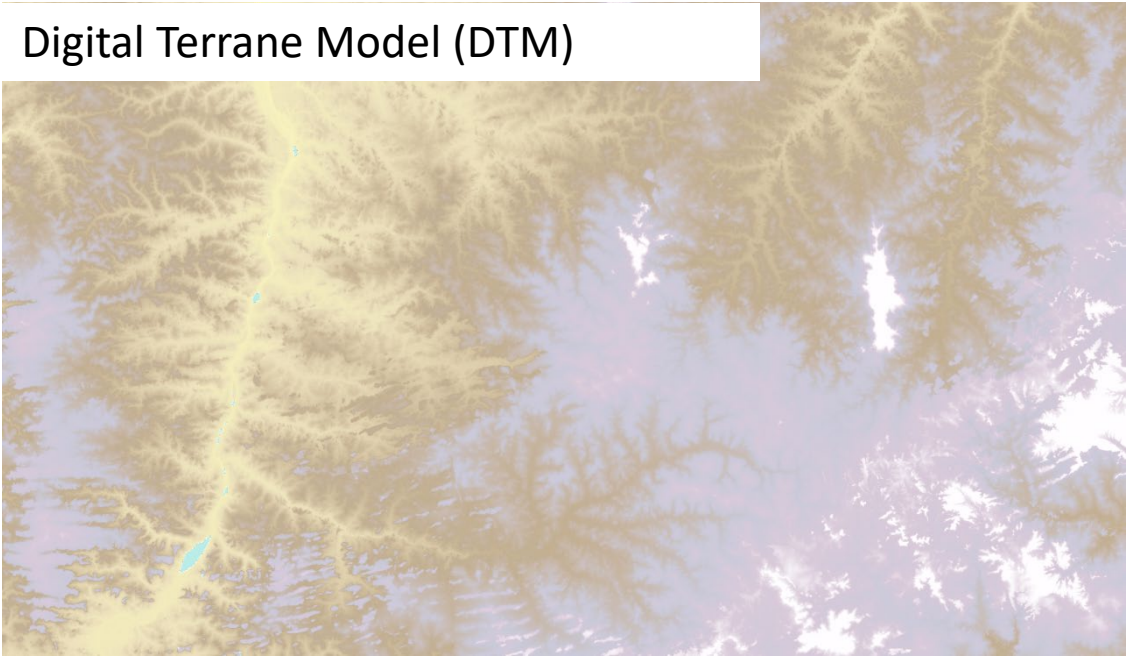


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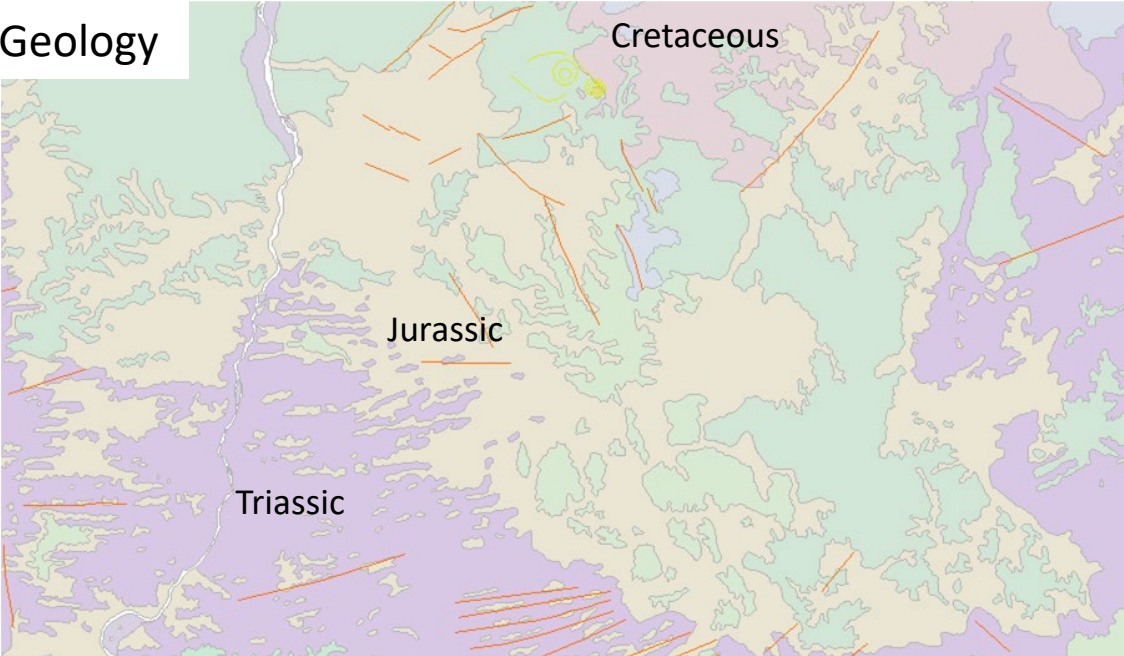
PERIOD	FORMATION	DESCRIPTION	NNW	DISTRIBUTION	SSE	T[m]
LOWER CRETACEOUS	CORDA	Fine-grained sandstone with medium-scale cross-bedding (1), fine-grained sandstone with parallel bedding (2), and medium- to coarse-grained sandstone with medium-scale trough cross-bedding (3).				30
LOWER JURASSIC	MOSQUITO	Basalt with intercalations (intertrap) of poorly-sorted sandstone lenses.				190
TRIASSIC	SAMBAÍBA	Fine- to medium-grained sandstone with large-scale cross-bedding.				440
	MOTUCA	Red laminated mudstone interbedded with fine-grained sandstone and evaporite lenses.				140
PERMIAN	PEDRA DE FOGO	Reddish brown mudstone with frequent intercalations of chert and sandstone levels.				240



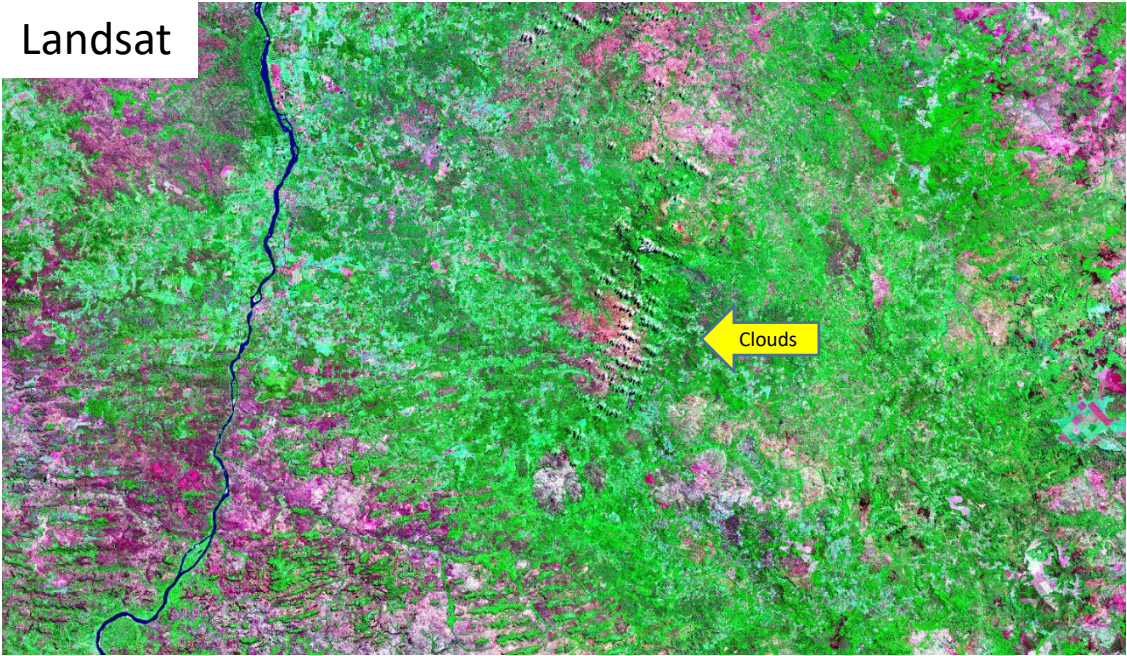
Digital Terrane Model (DTM)



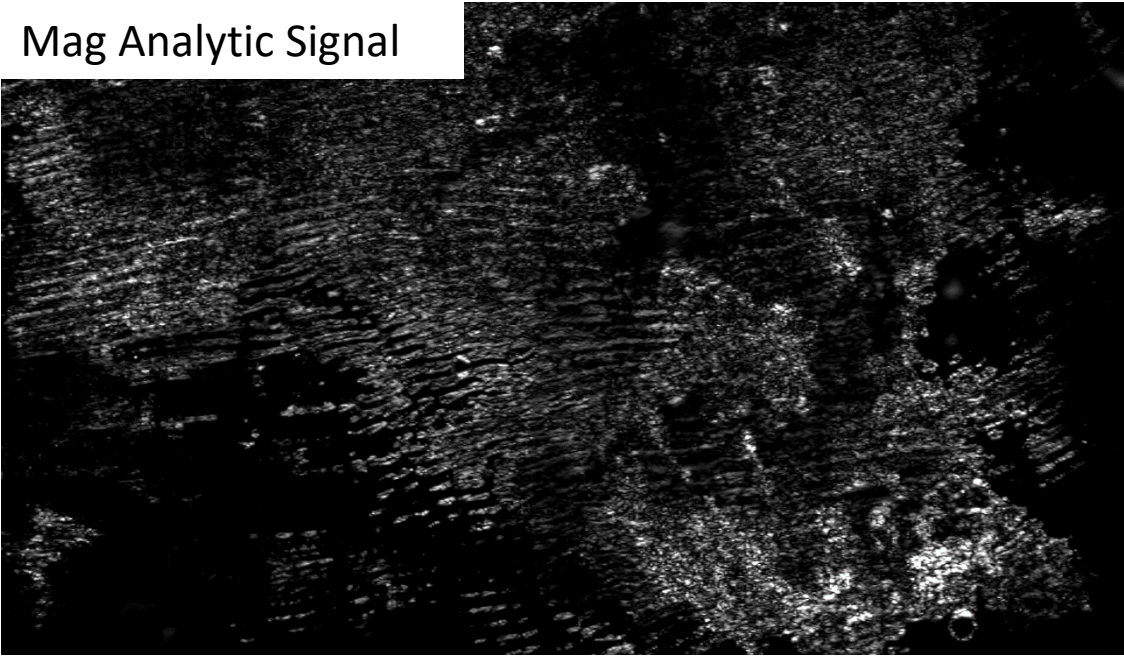
Geology



Landsat



Mag Analytic Signal





# Main Question:

What causes observed linear magnetic anomalies?

## Sub Questions, based on dtm/landsat/geology/mag :

How high are the mesas?

What are the average dimensions of a mesa (long vs short axis)?

Which units define the tops of the mesas?

Which units define the base of the mesas?

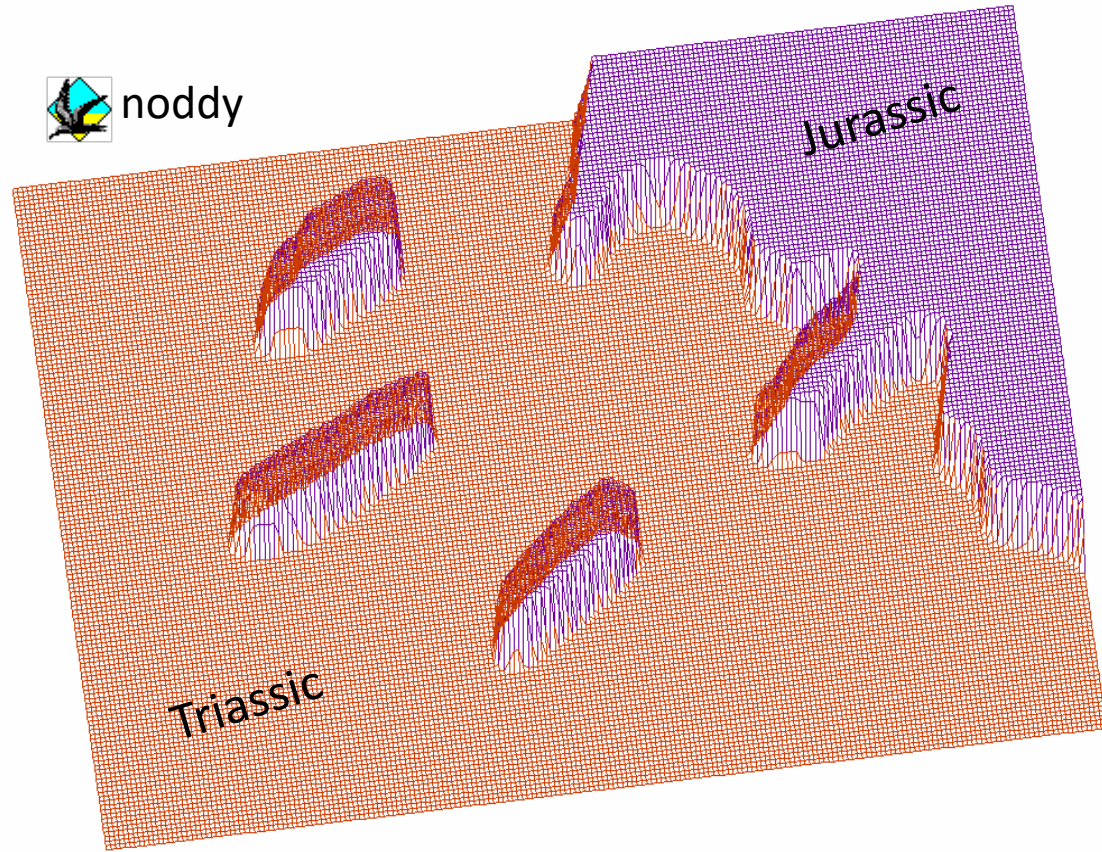
Which units correlate spatially with the magnetic features?

What is possible origin and timing of linear mesas?





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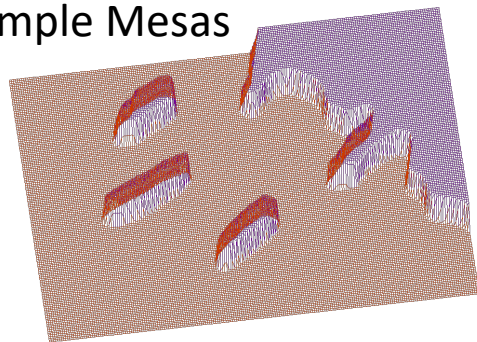




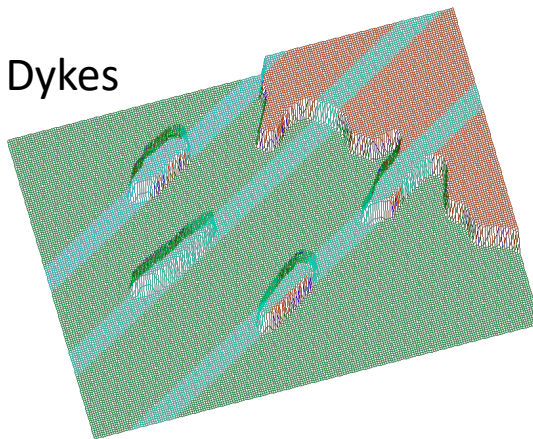
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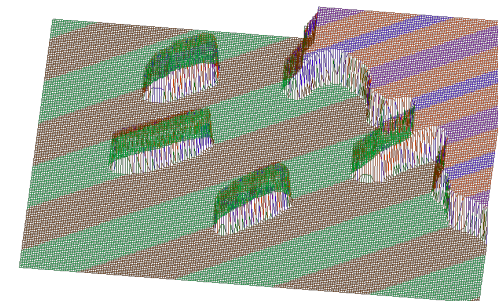
Simple Mesas



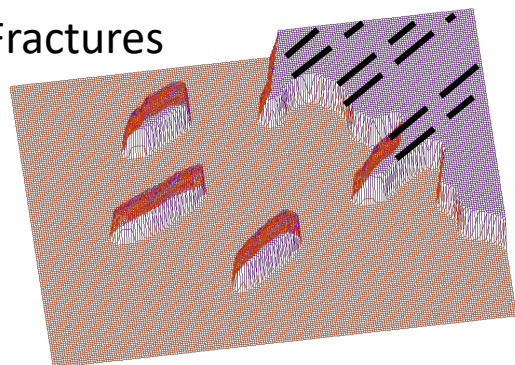
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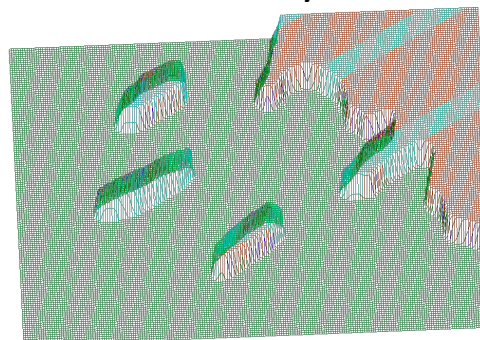
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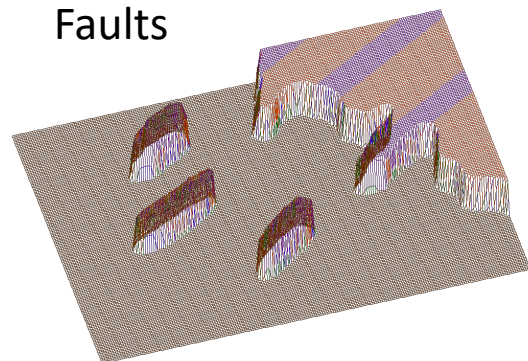
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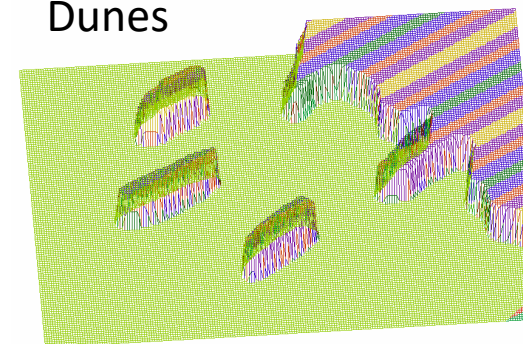
Intraformational Dykes



Faults



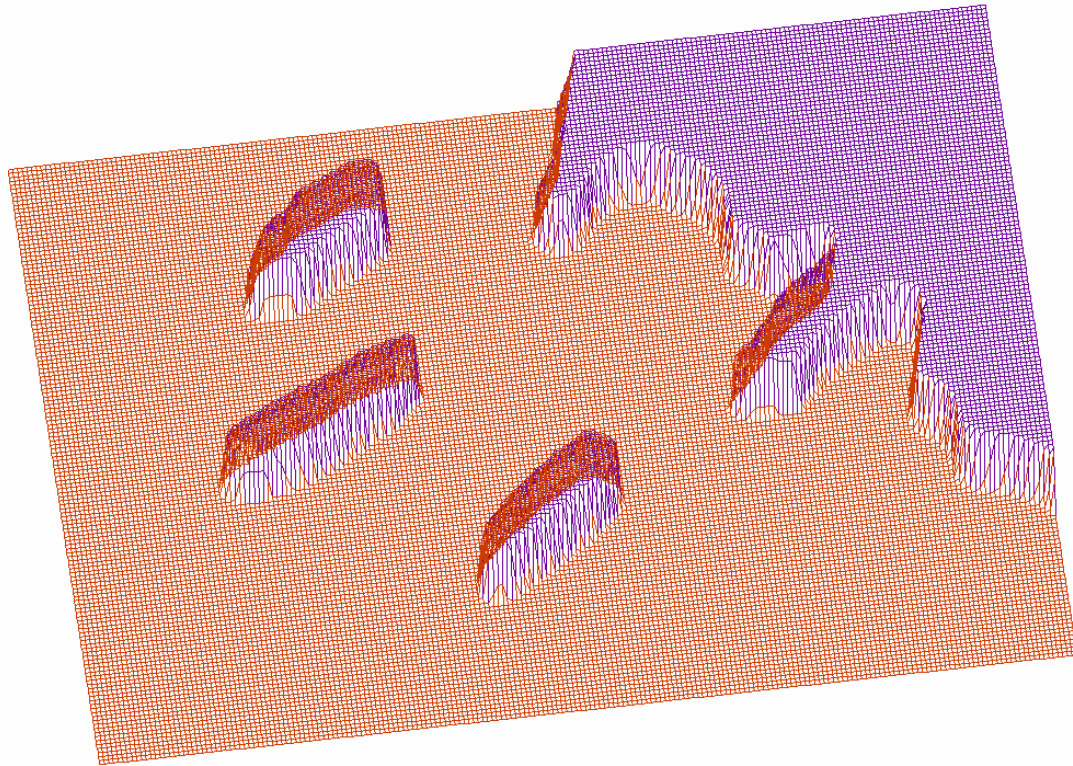
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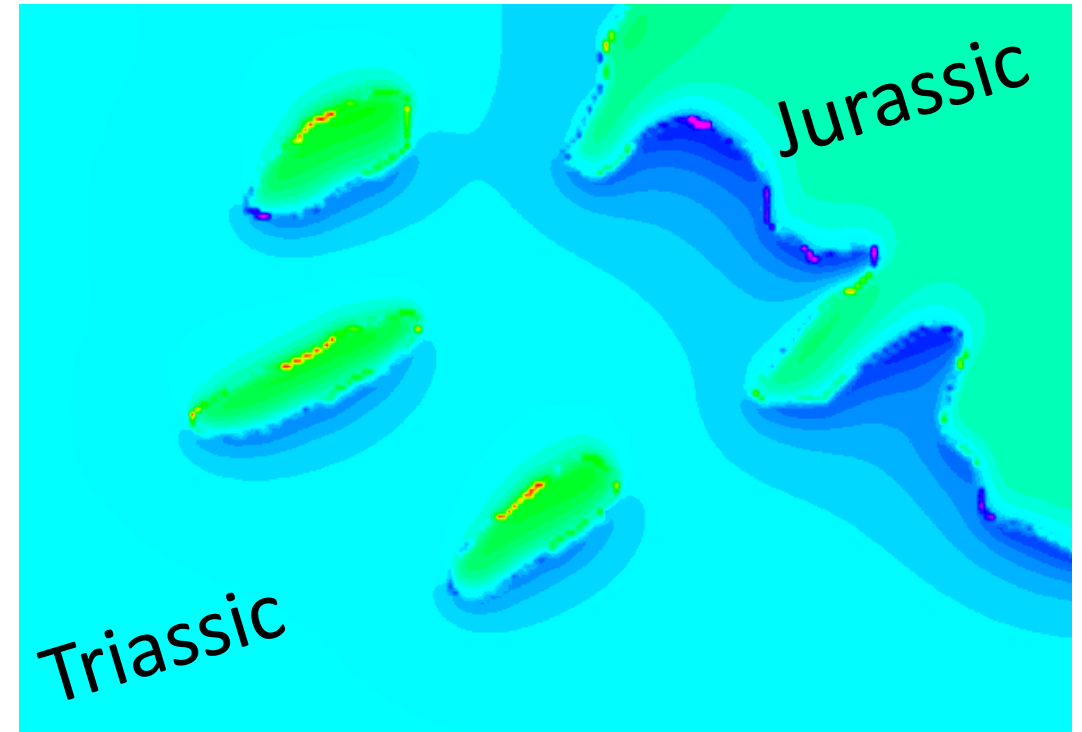


# Simple Mesas

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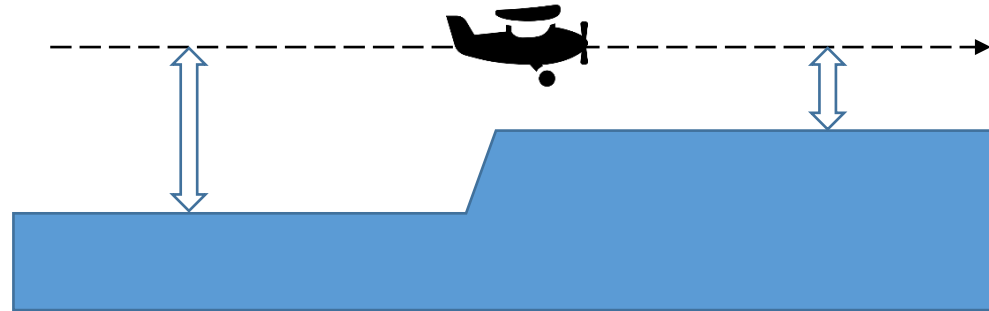


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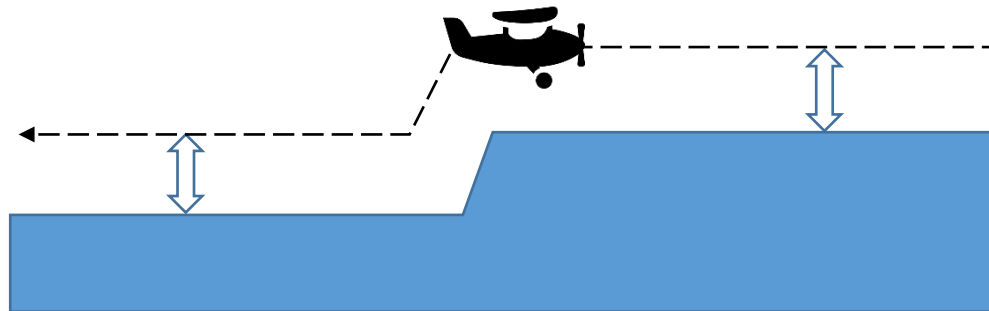


Test: No mag linear features in undissected Jurassic

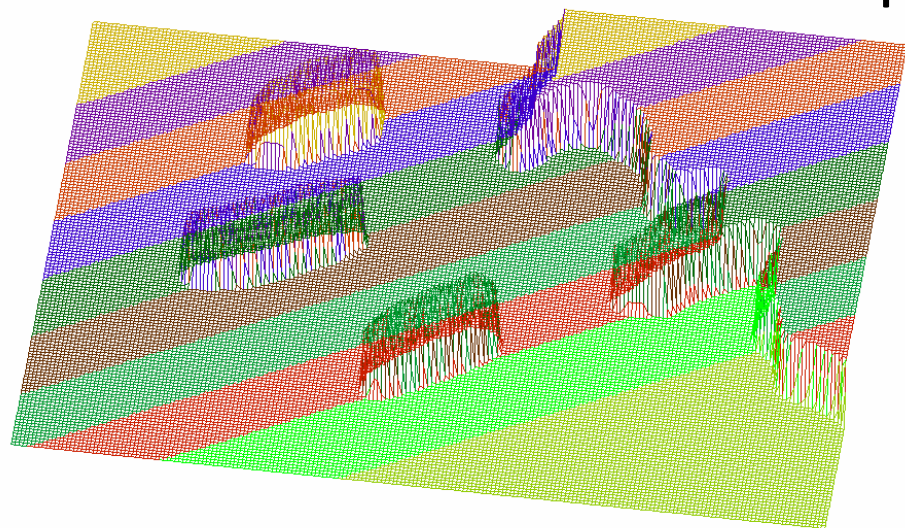
Barometric Survey



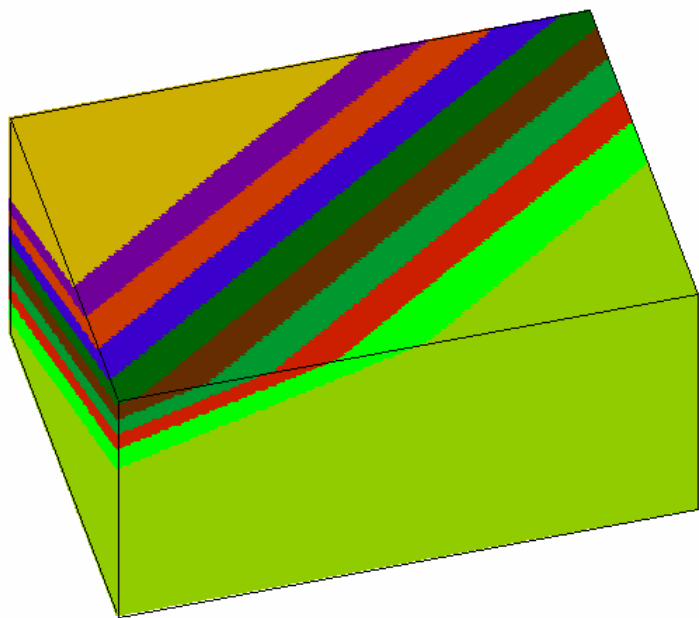
Draped Survey



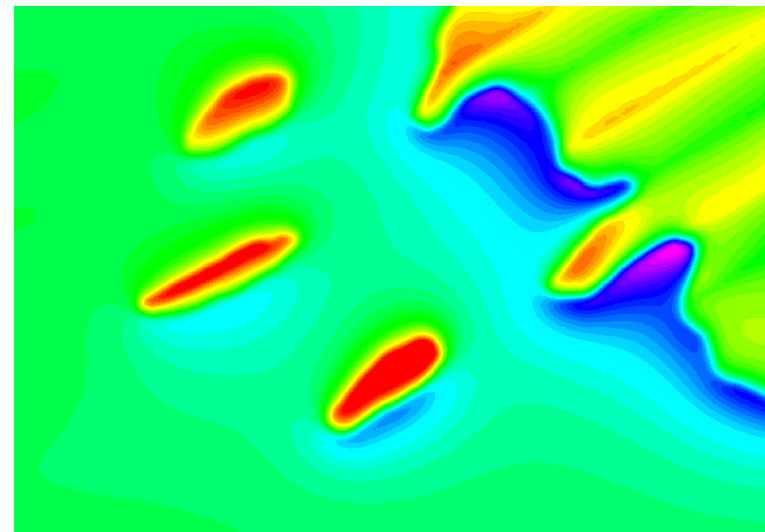
# Dipping Stratigraphy



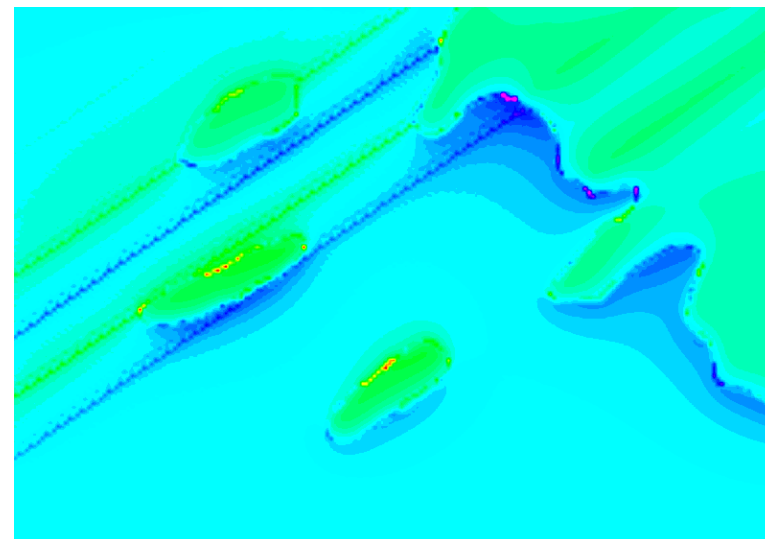
Shallowly dipping strata of different erodability



Barometric



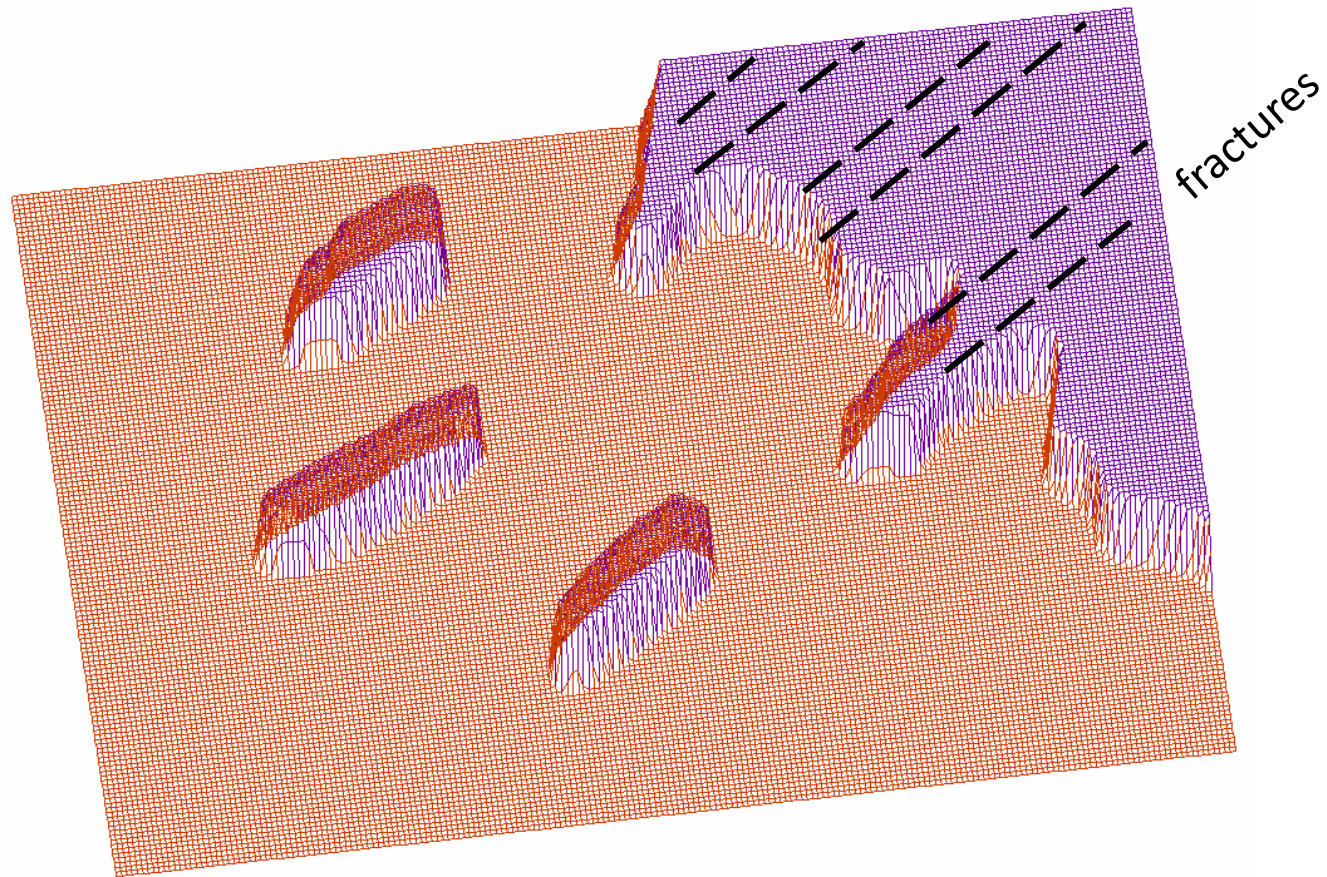
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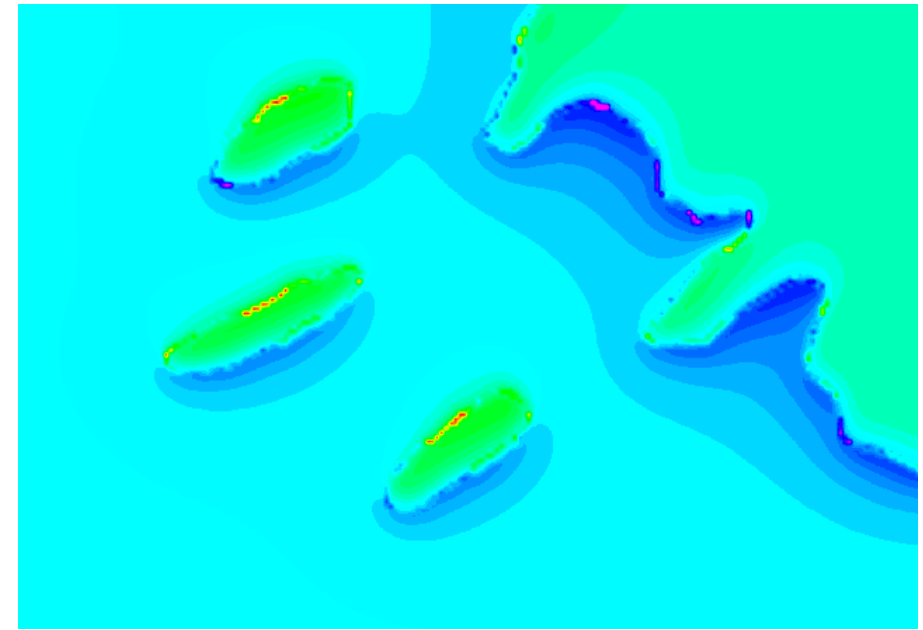
Test: Map pattern suggest sub-horizontal bedding



# Fracture Control



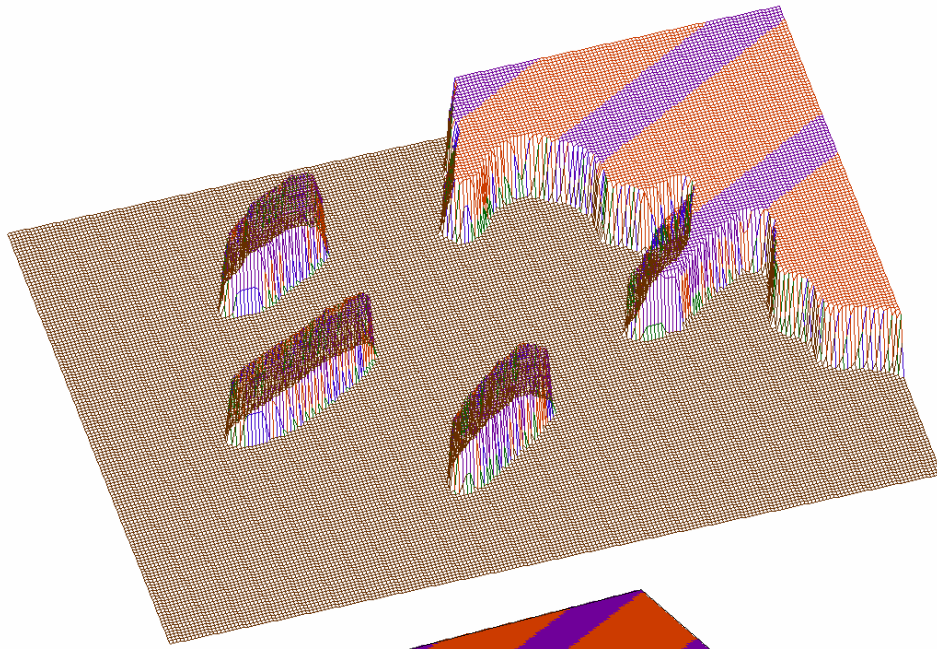
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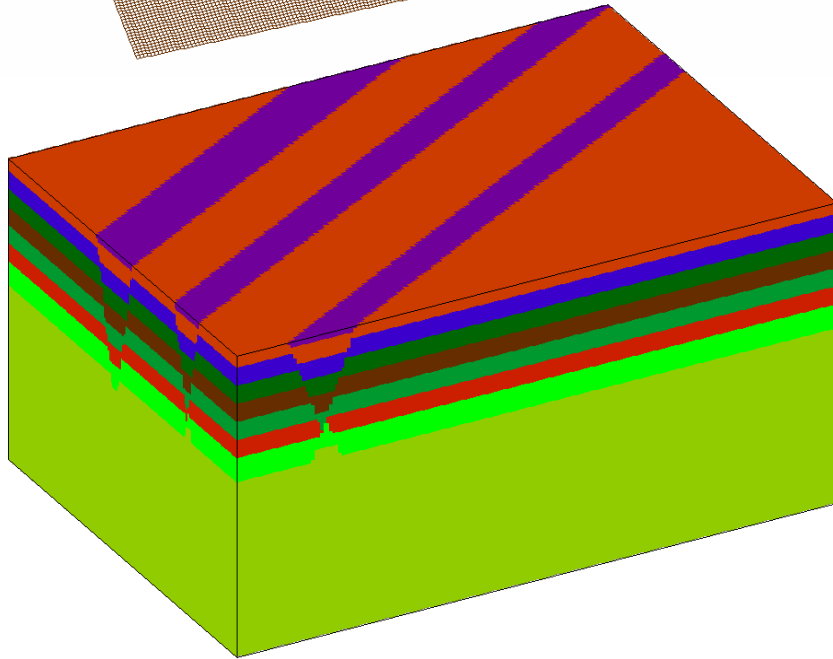
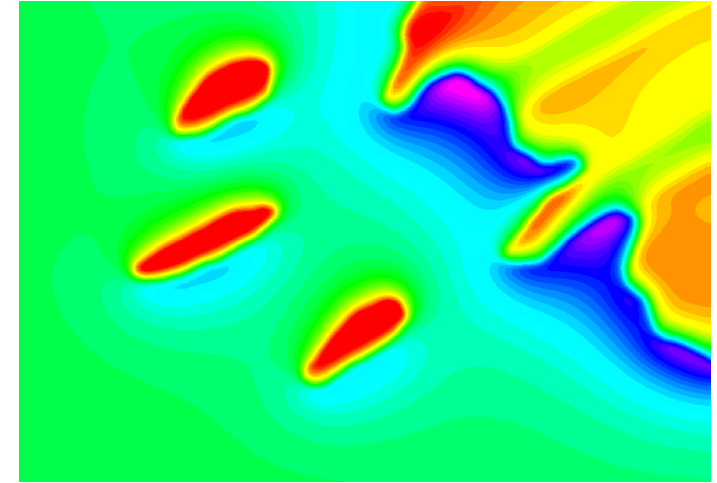
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Mesa geometry controlled by pre-existing post-depositional fractures

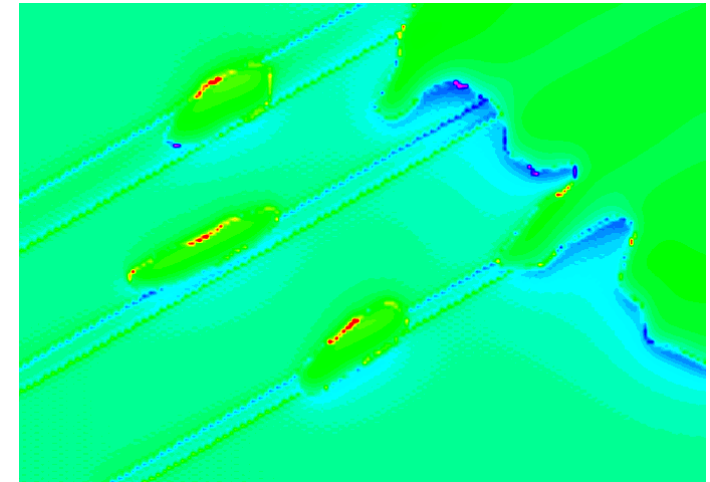
# Faults



Barometric



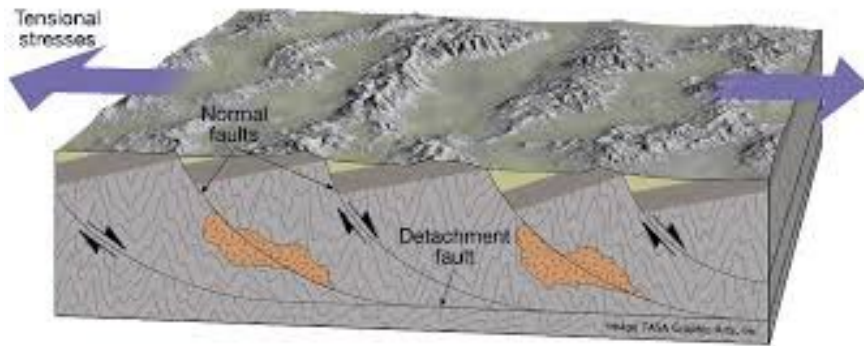
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Test: Map doesn't show only shows faults where there are mesas, not in main Jurassic region

Mesa geometry controlled by pre-existing post-depositional faults





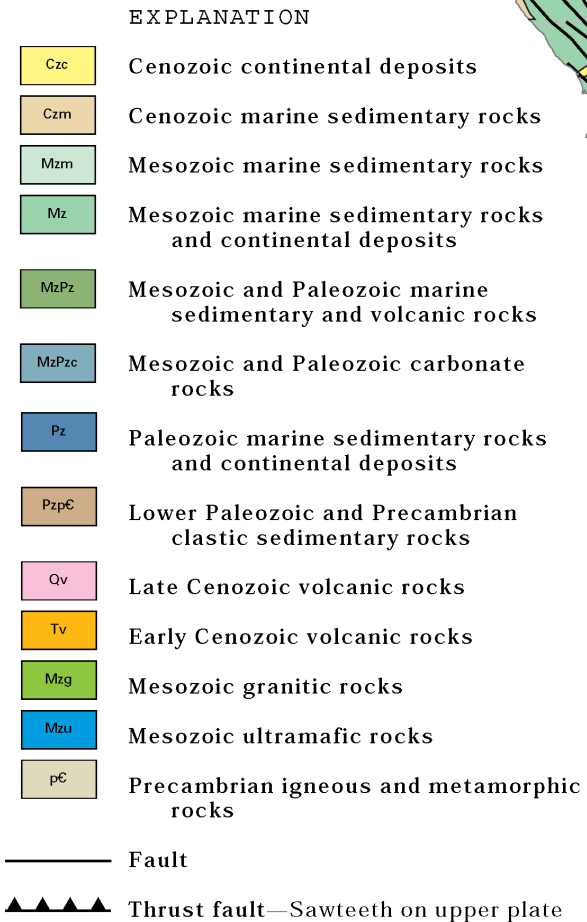
## Basin & Range Nevada, USA

Area > 200 x 200 km

~30,000 m fault spacing

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Figure 12. The complex geology within Segment 1 is the result of repeated periods of mountain building alternating with periods of erosion. Most of the basins in the segment are bounded by faults and contain rocks of Cenozoic age. The mountains that separate the basins are formed on rocks of various ages.



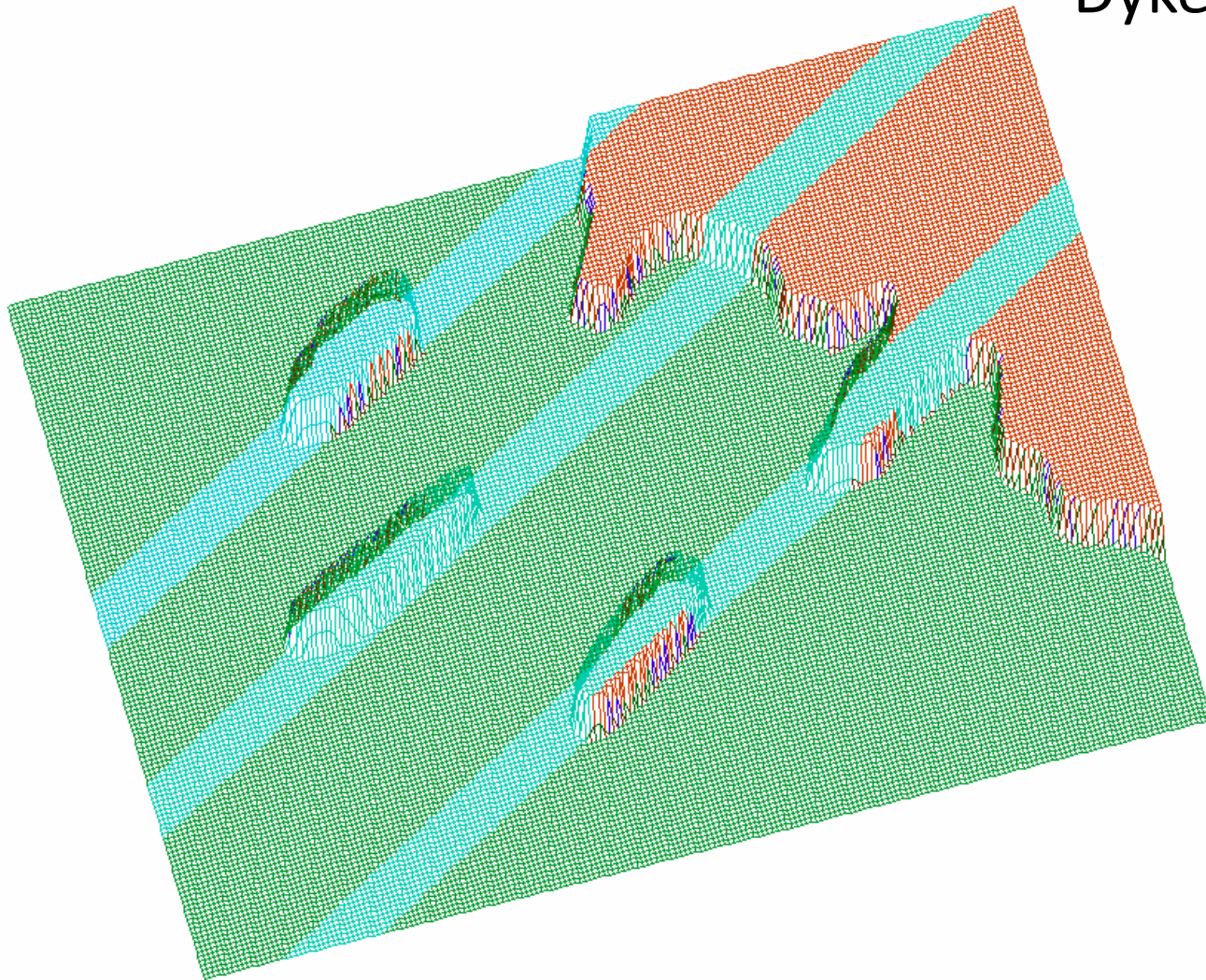
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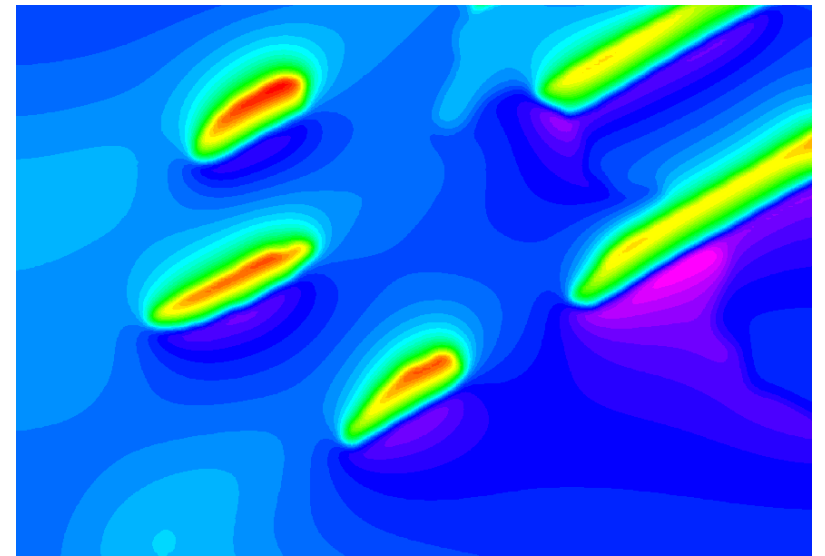
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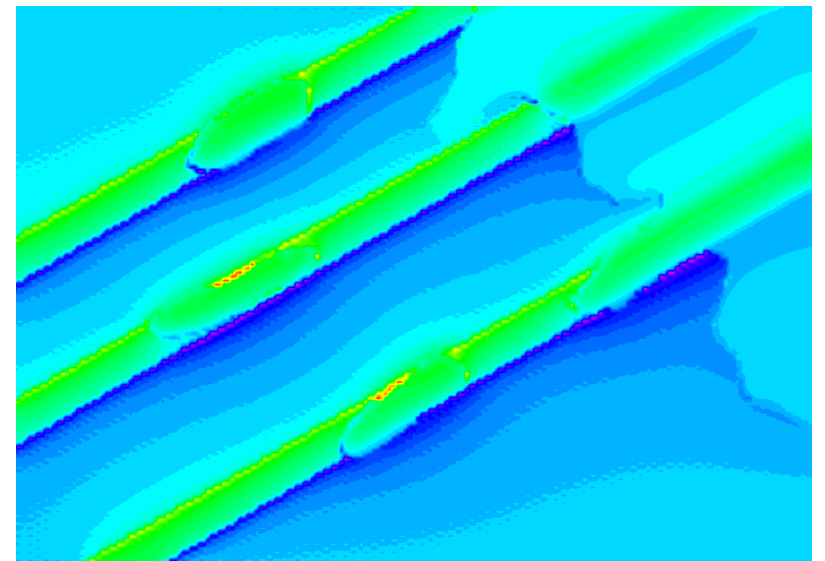
Dykes



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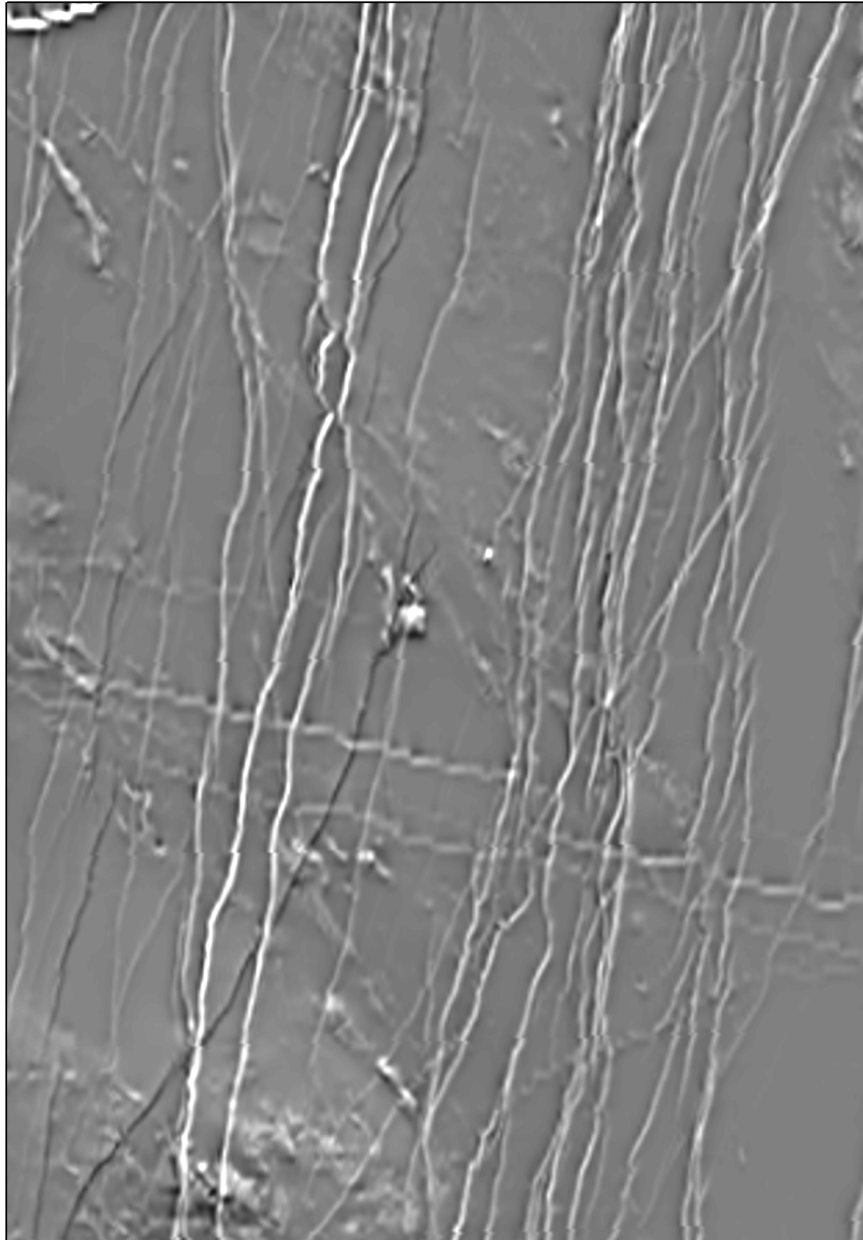
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Test: Dykes also intruded Triassic units

Mesa geometry controlled by pre-existing post-depositional dykes

## Reguibat Inlier, Mauritania



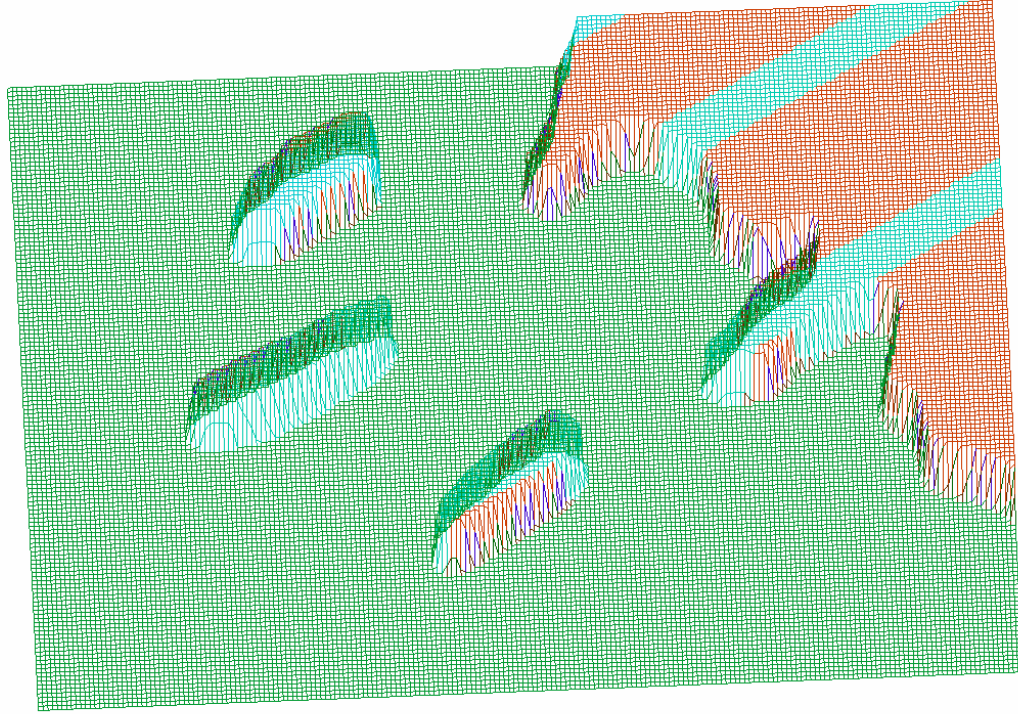
Area > 100 x 100 km

~2,000 m dyke spacing

0 2.5 5 10 15 20  
Kilometers

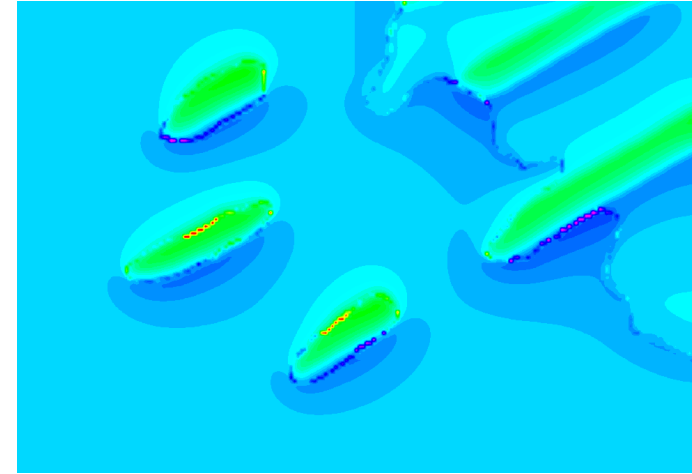


# Intra-formational dykes

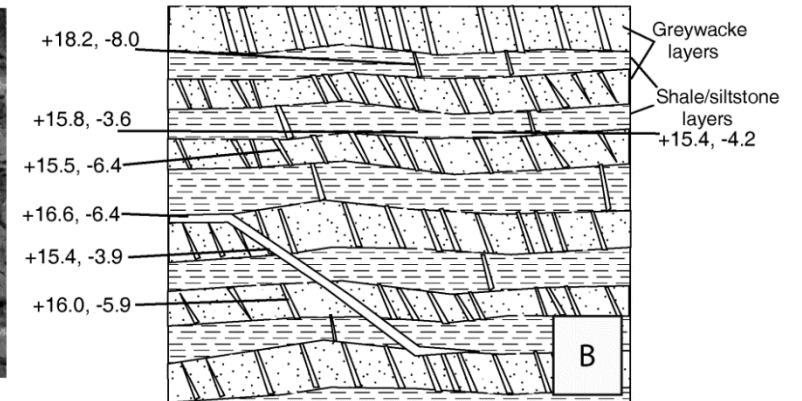
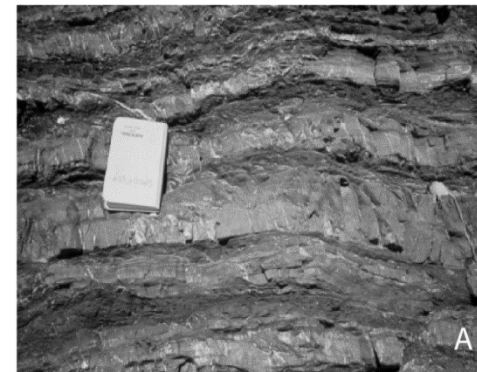


Dykes that only get filled within a specific horizon

Draped

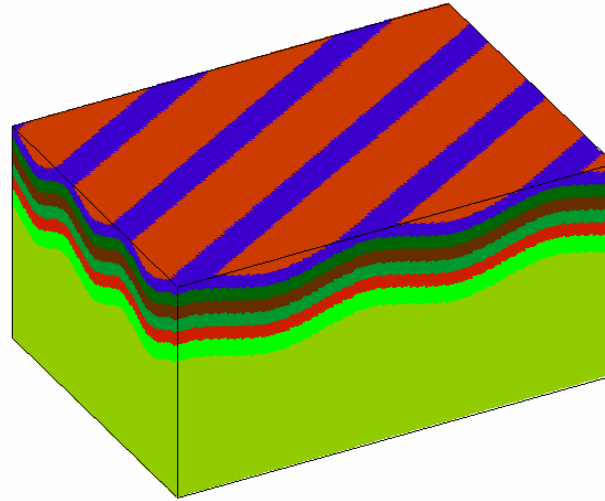
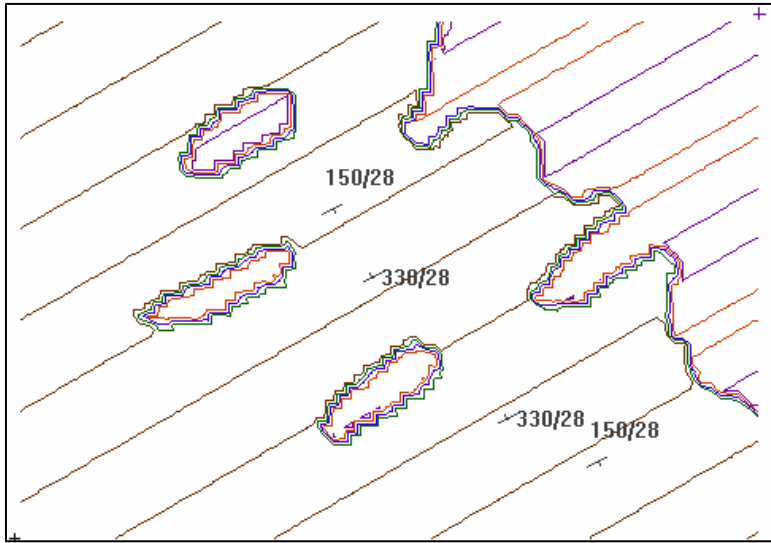
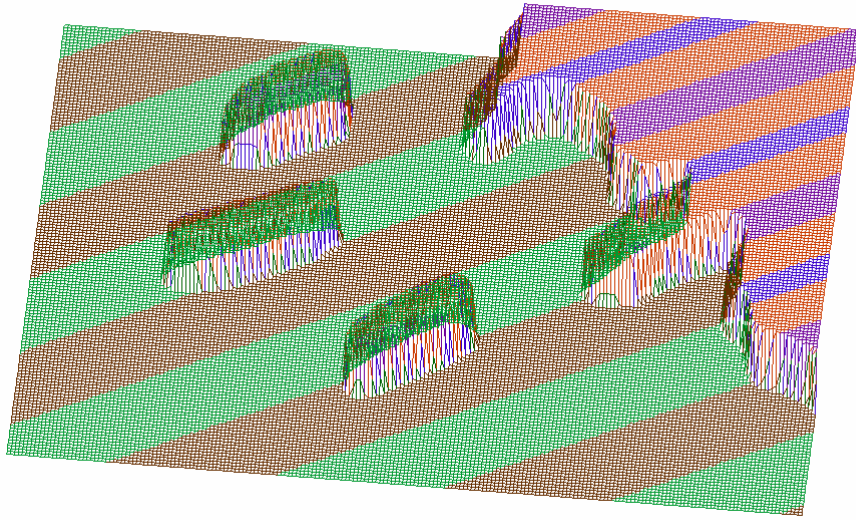


Test: Can this happen? Where does magma come from?

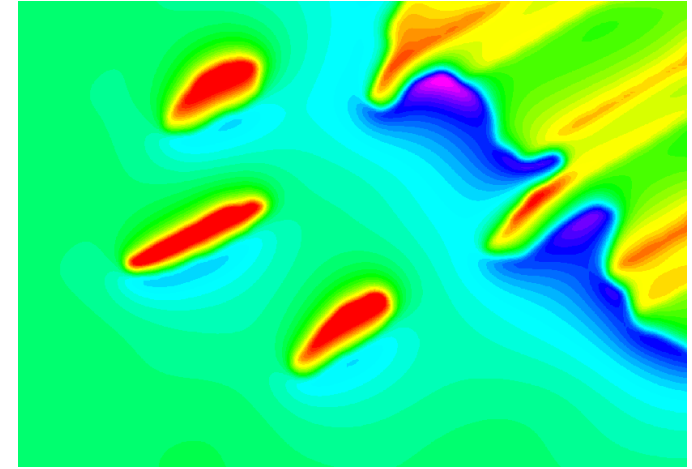




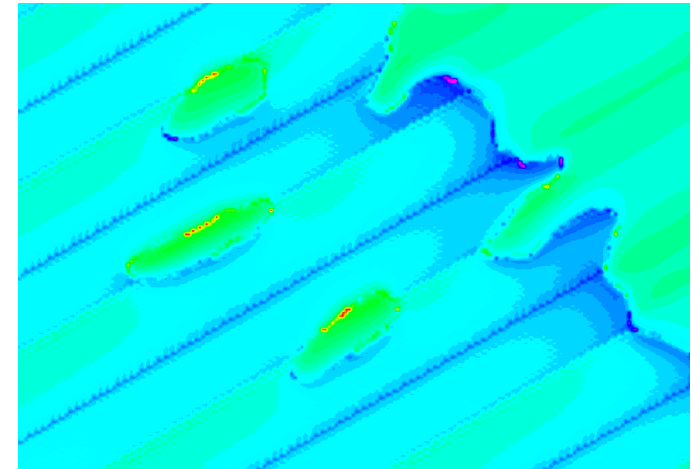
# Folds



Barometric



Draped



Test: Folds Triassic as well, no evidence of folds on map?

Mesa geometry controlled by pre-existing post-depositional folds



South of Damera,  
Namibia

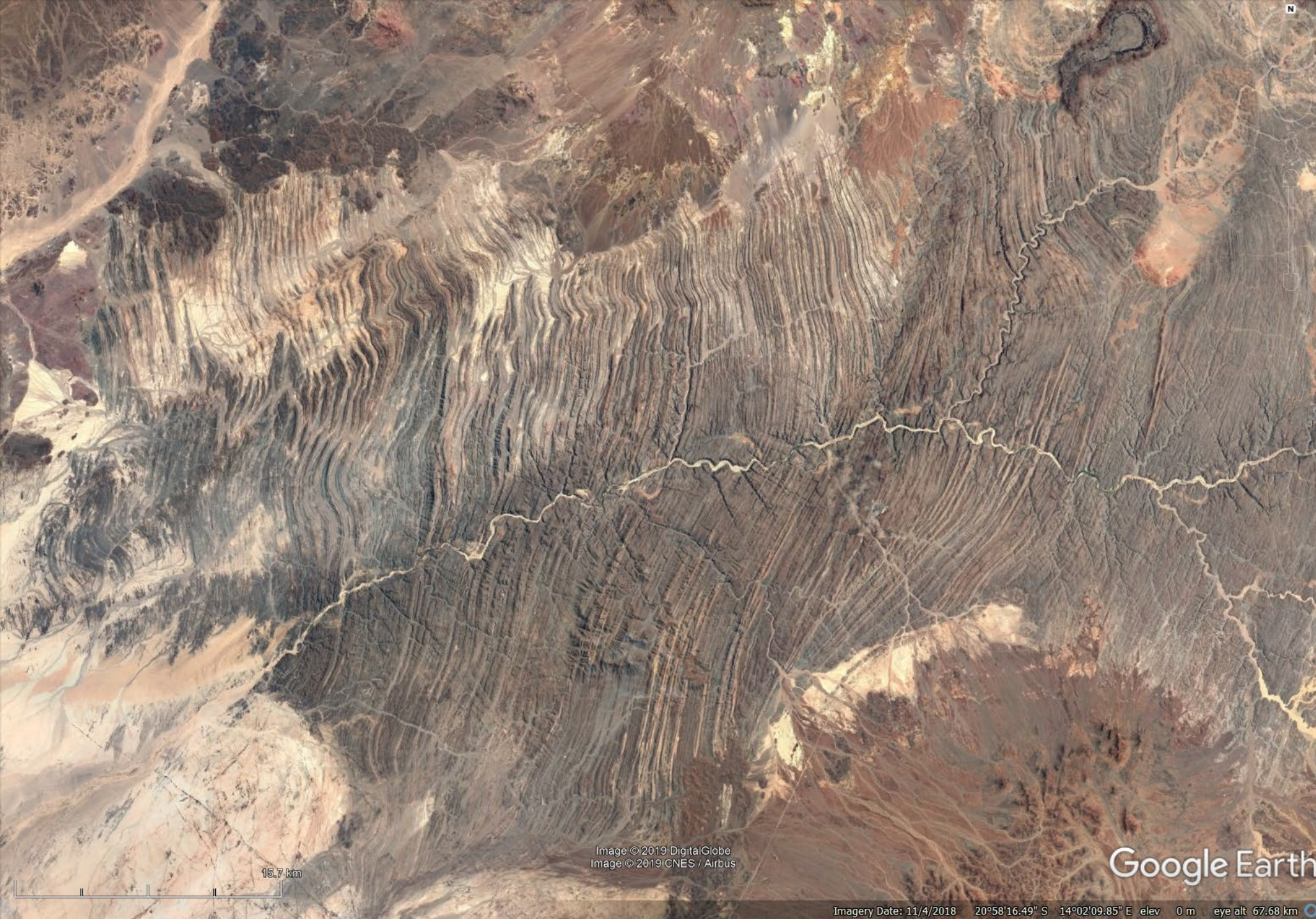


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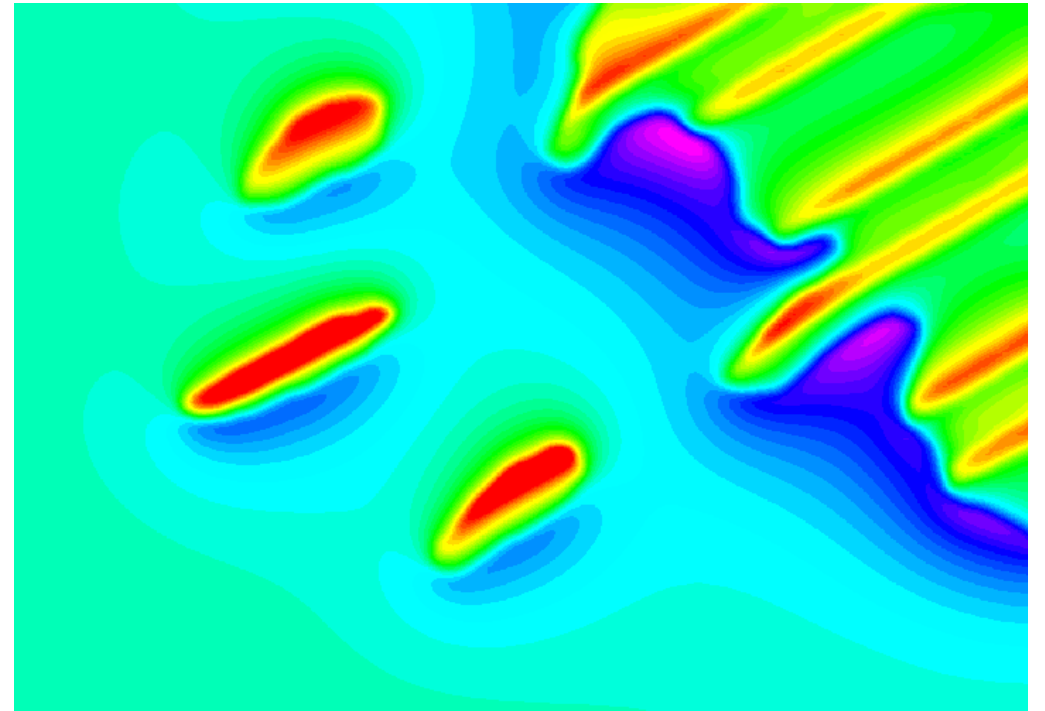
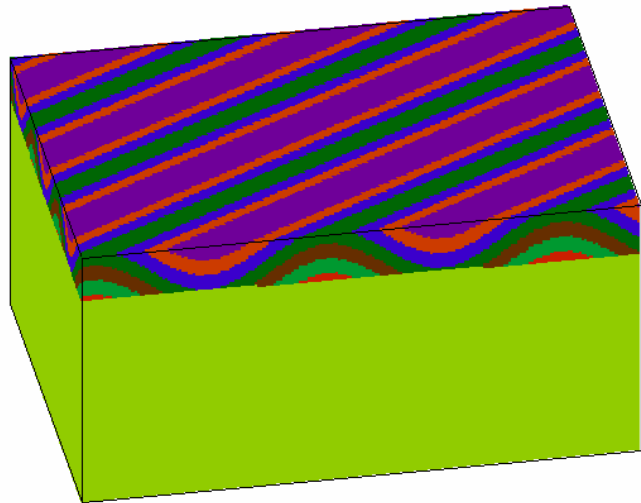
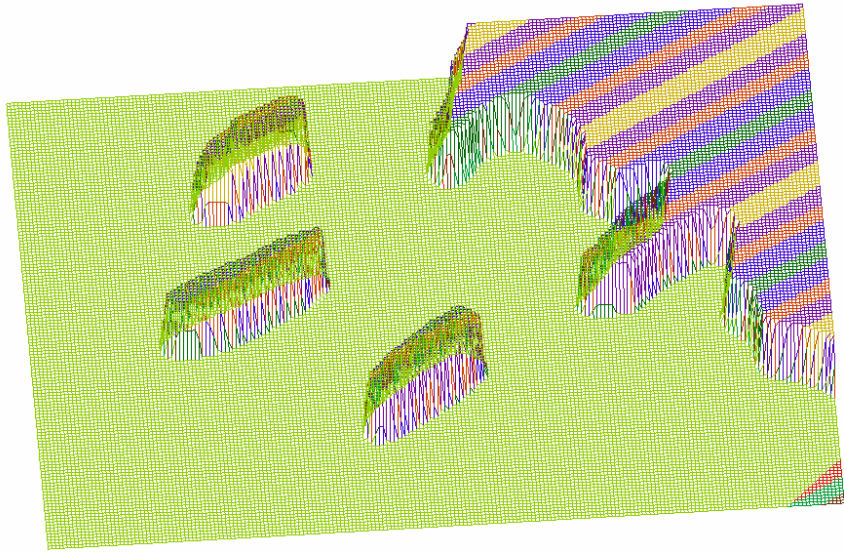
~80 x 30 km fold sequence

~350 m between limbs

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## Jurassic Dunes



Test: Can this happen? What is the magnetic unit  
(volcanic infill?)

Mesa geometry controlled by pre-existing syn-depositional Triassic-era dunes



Namib Desert

Legend

Namib Desert,  
Namibia





# Namib Desert

Legend

Namib Desert > 200 x 200 km

~2000 m Dune spacing

dunes up to 1200 m high

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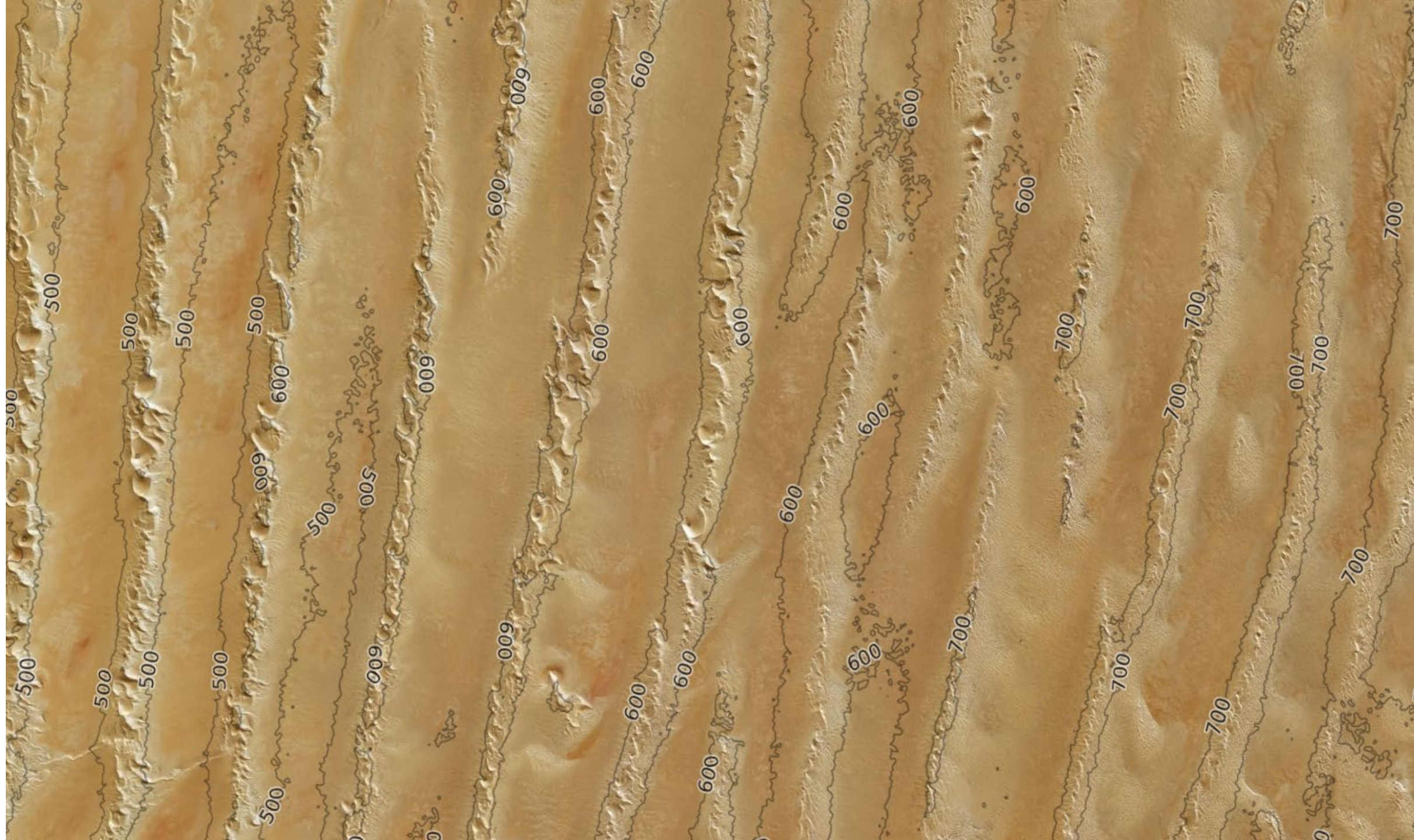
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10 km

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**Preservation of ancient eolian  
landscapes beneath flood basalt: an  
example from the Officer Basin,  
Western Australia**

**Peter Haines**  
**GSWA**







## Officer Basin

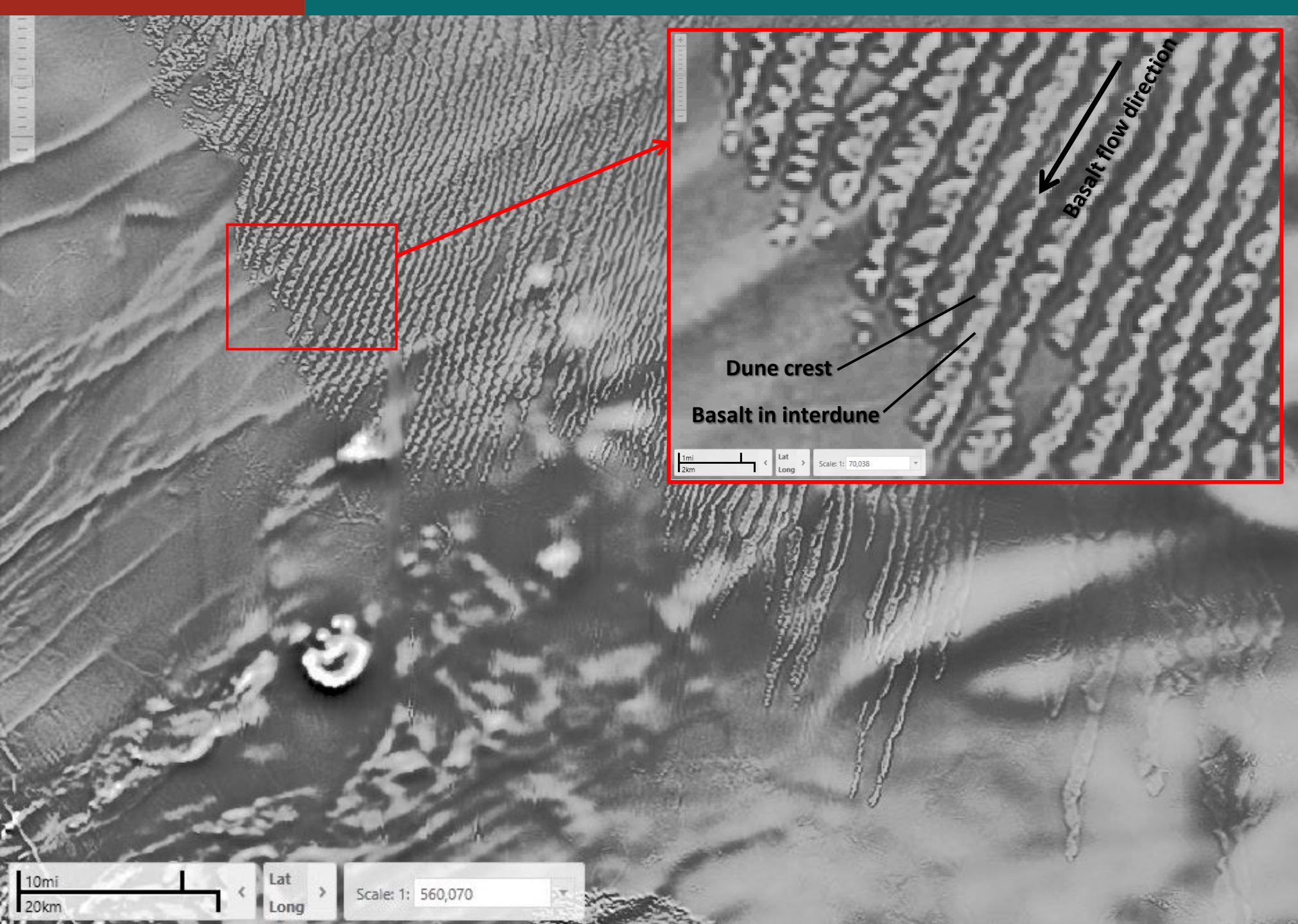
- 525 000 km<sup>2</sup> in WA and SA
- Up to 10 km thickness
- Early Neoproterozoic to Paleozoic
- Marine and non-marine





**Durba  
Sandstone  
McFadden  
Formation**





**1<sup>st</sup> vertical derivative  
aeromagnetic image**  
Generated in GeoVIEW (GSWA)





**Rub' Al-Khali  
sand sea  
southeastern  
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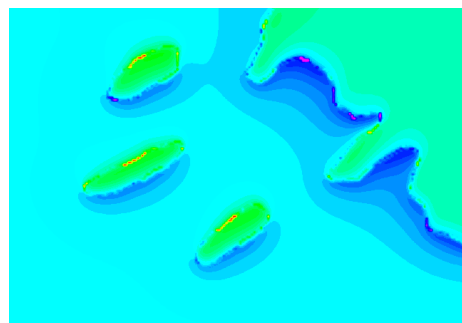
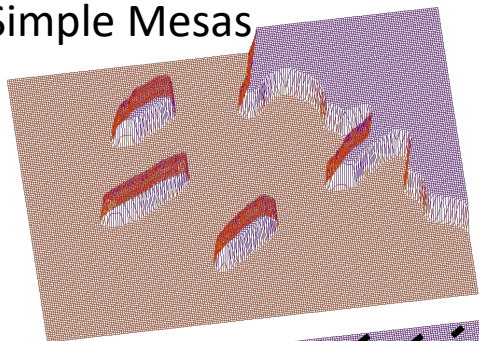
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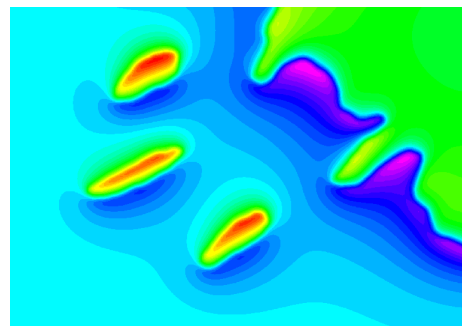
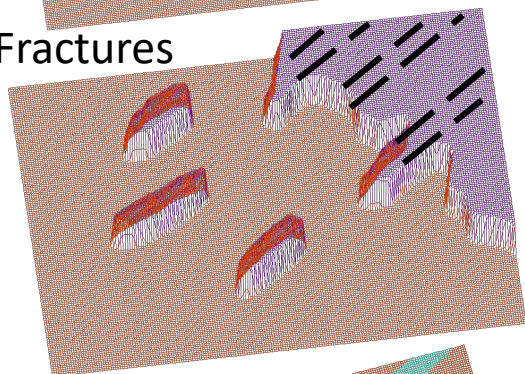
10 km



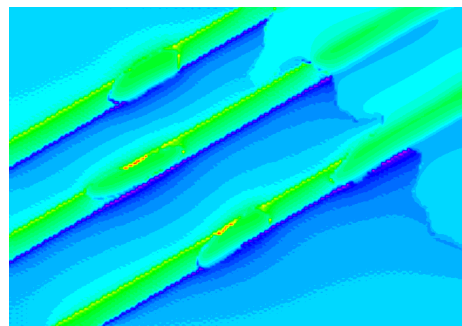
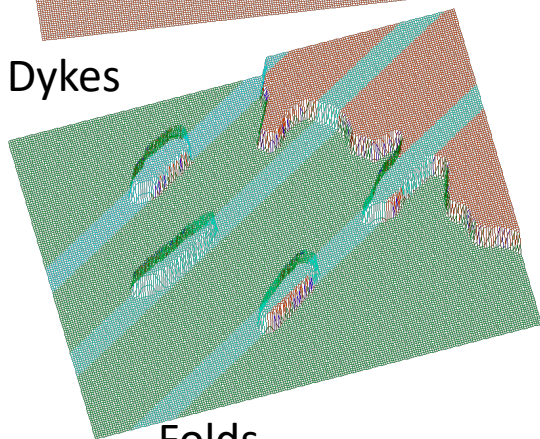
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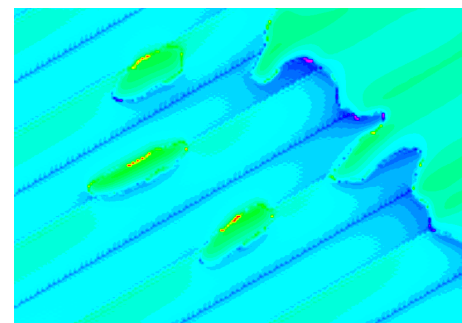
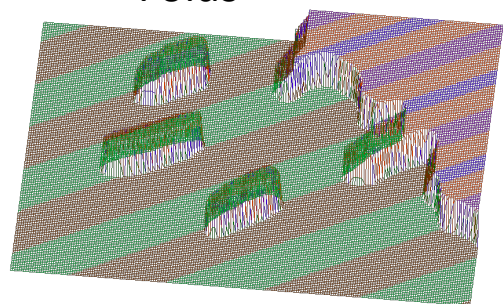
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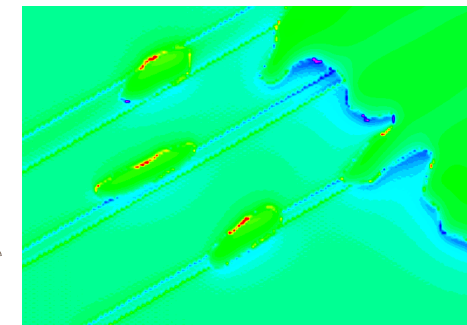
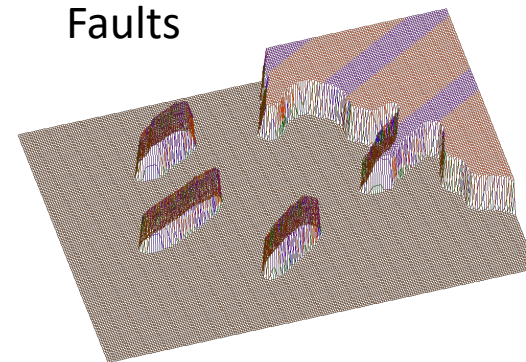
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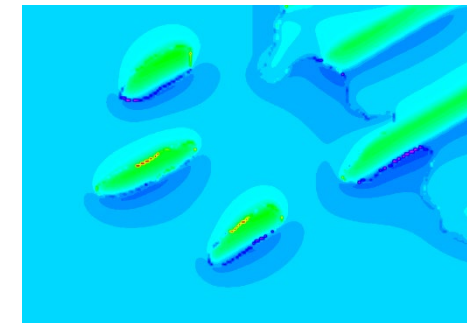
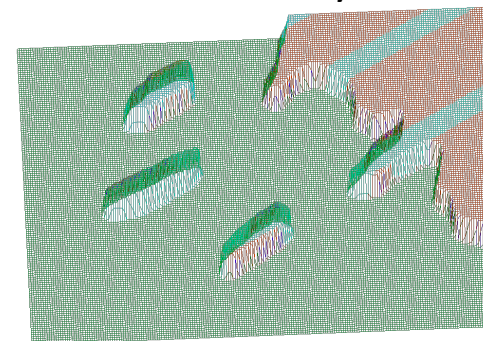
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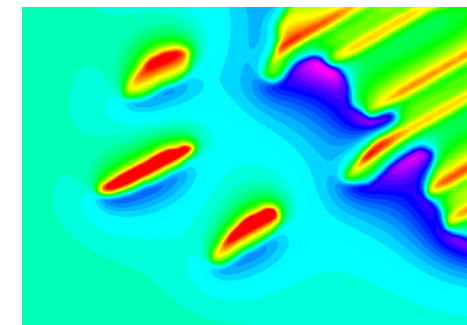
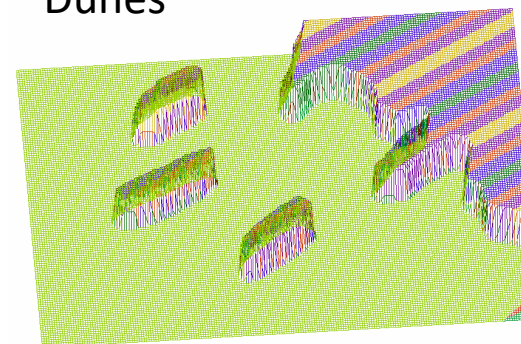
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Intraformational Dykes



Dunes

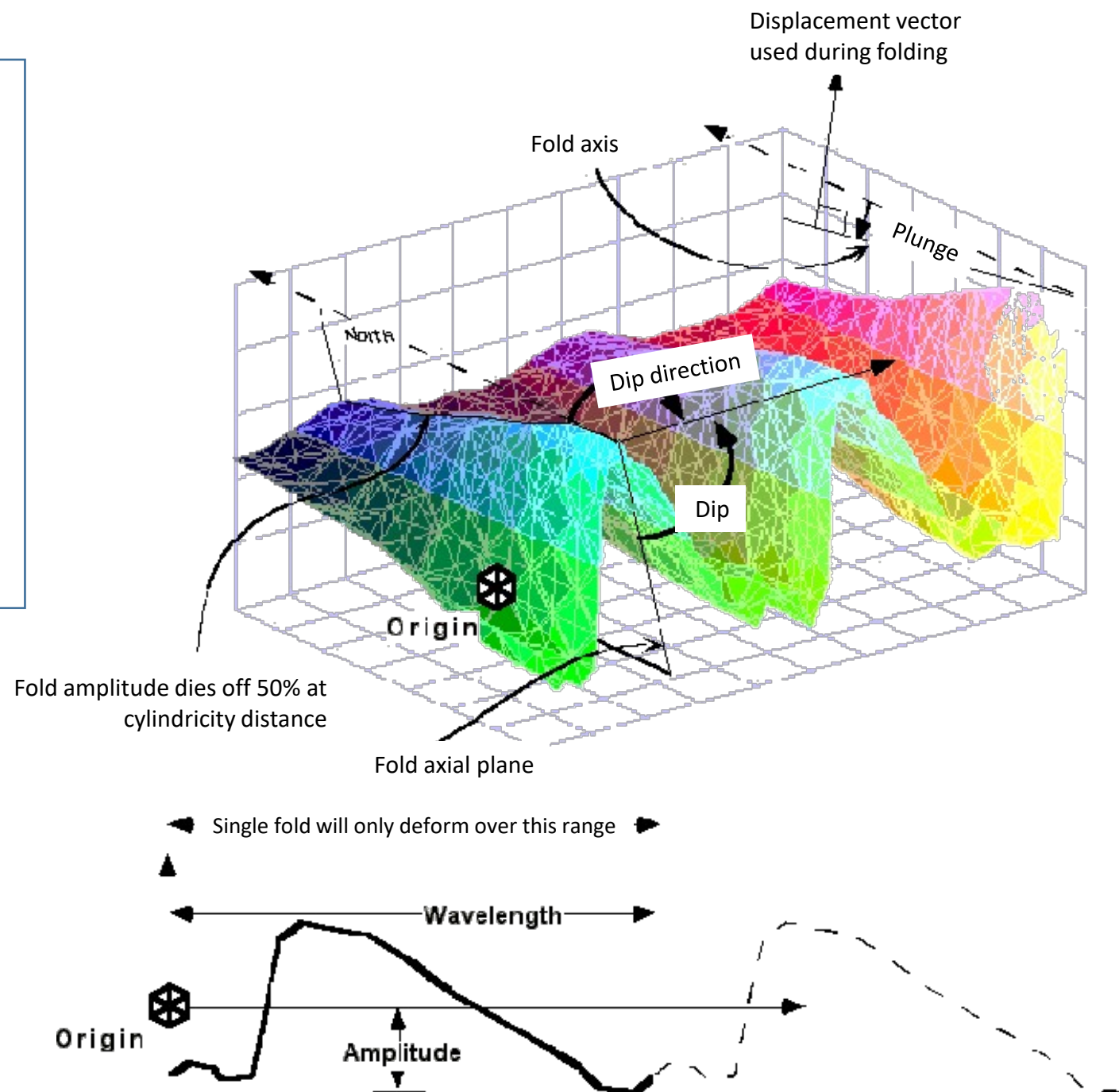
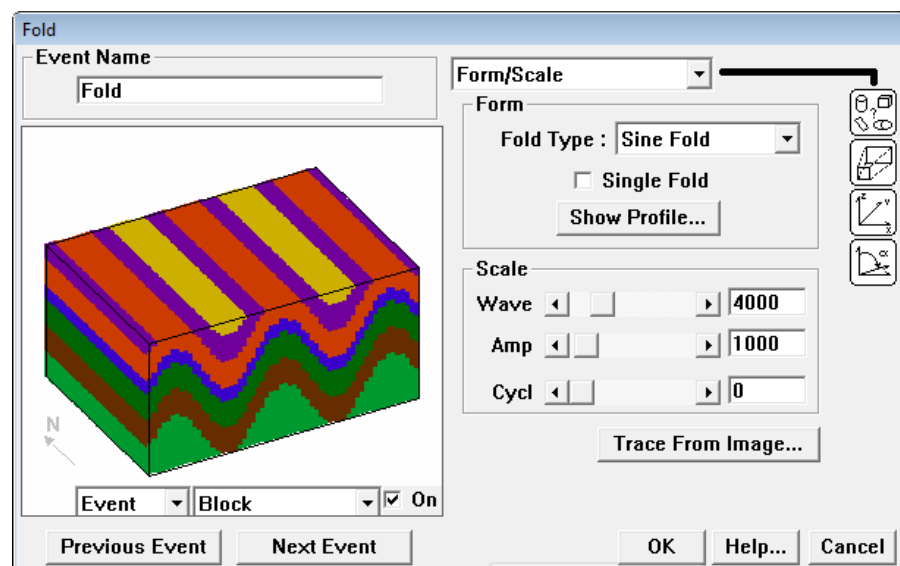
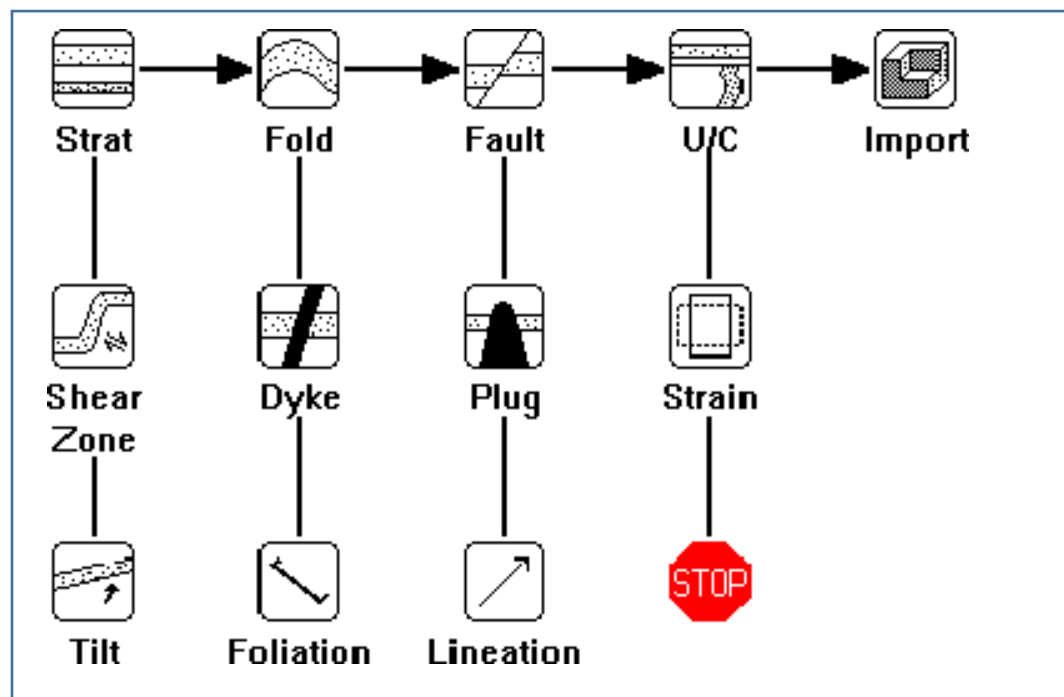


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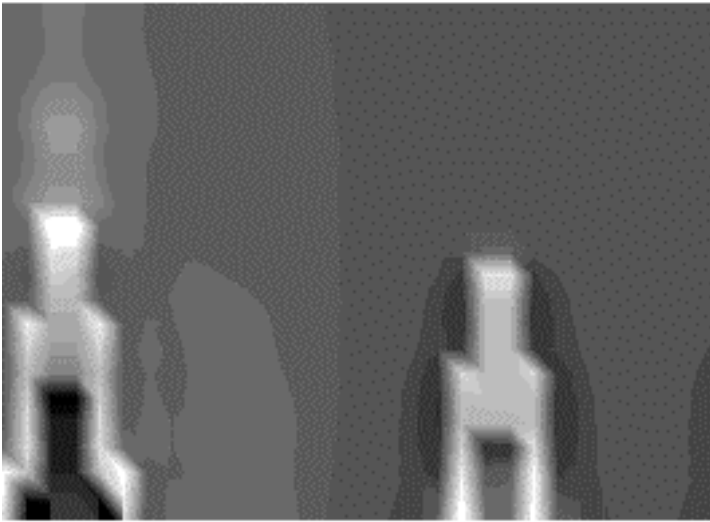
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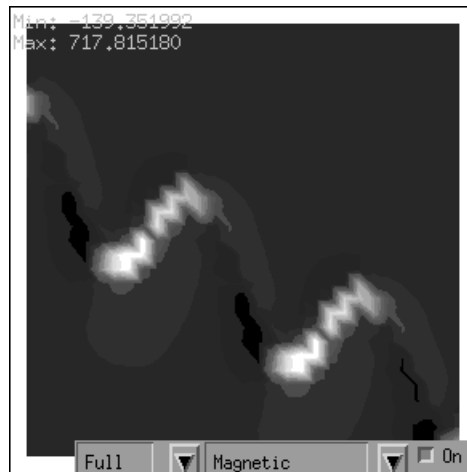
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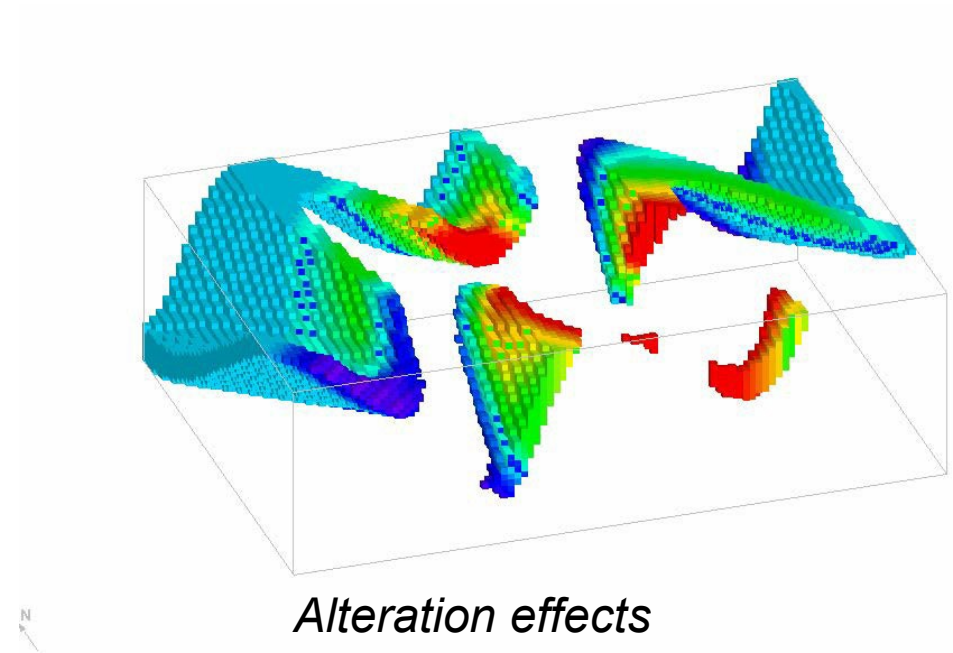




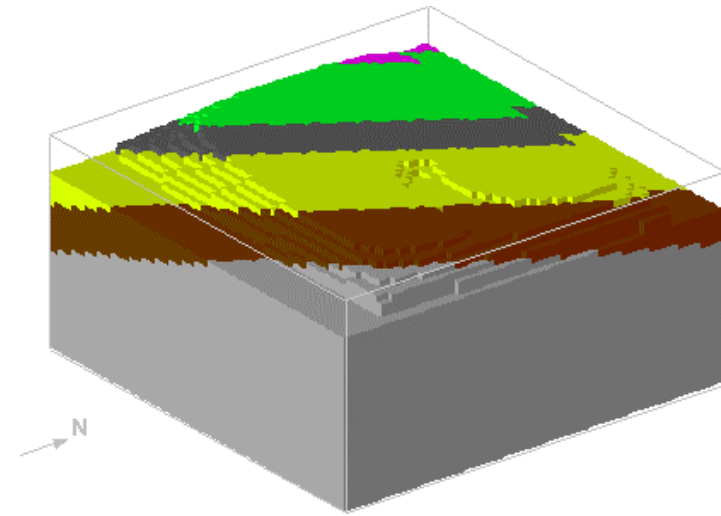
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*Deformed  
remanence field*



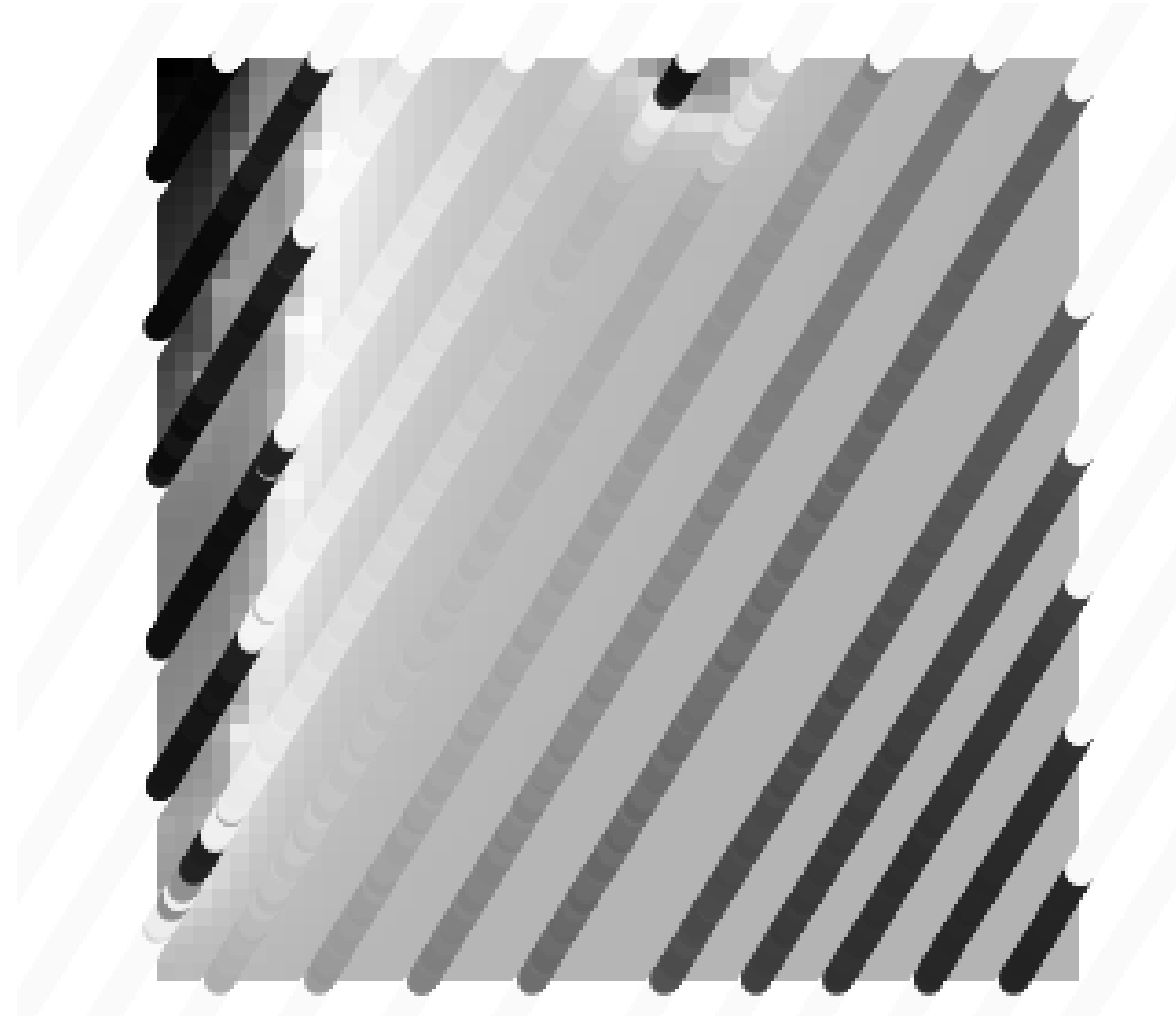
*Alteration effects*



*Variable Cover  
effects*

# Flight line simulations

1. Convert geophysics to ermapper format
2. Load into GISfile
3. Make new polyline layer
4. Draw lines, giving each line a unique ID
5. Densify lines by distance
6. Extract vertices
7. Sample raster values





### 3. Regolith/Geology in Burkina Faso





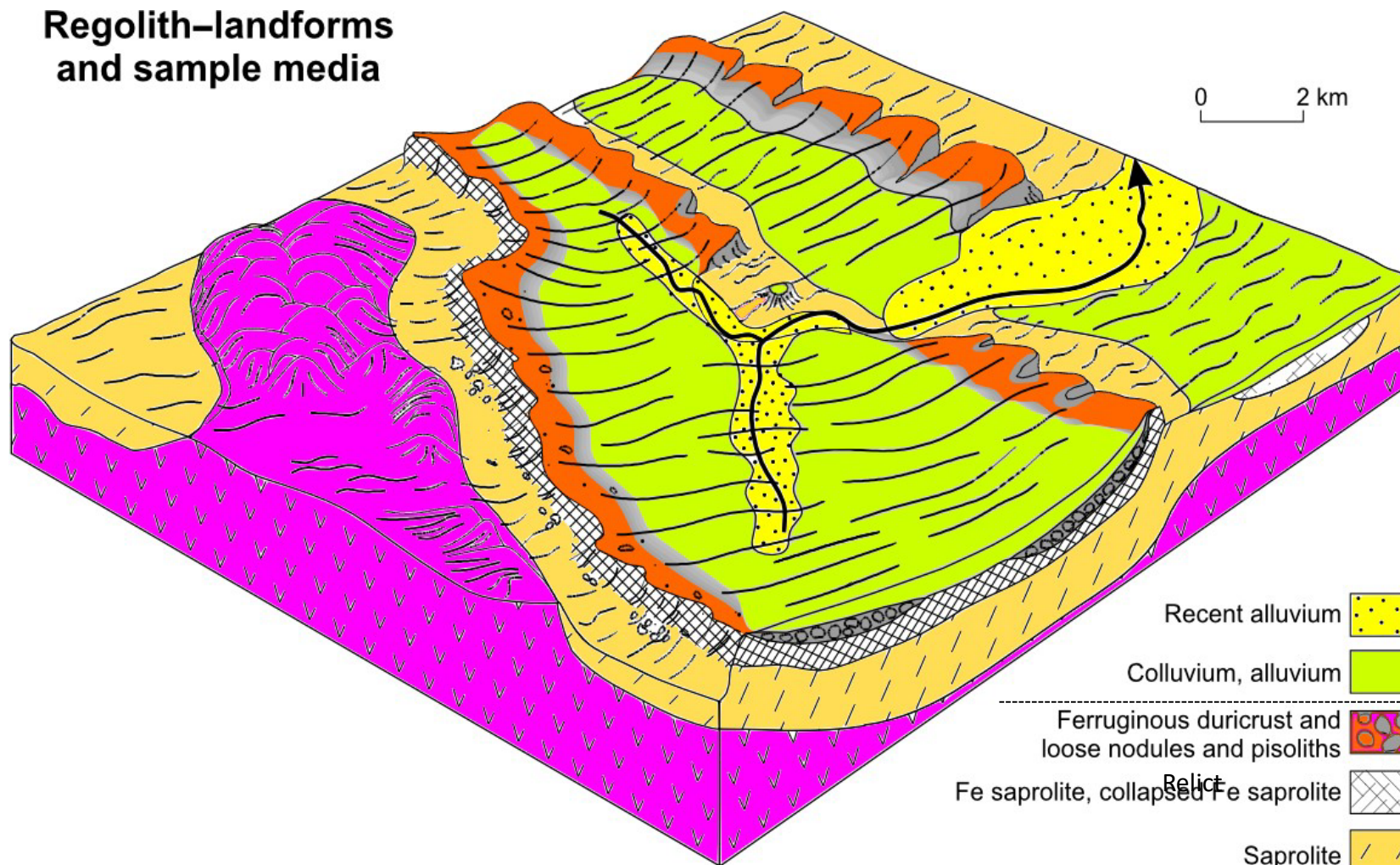












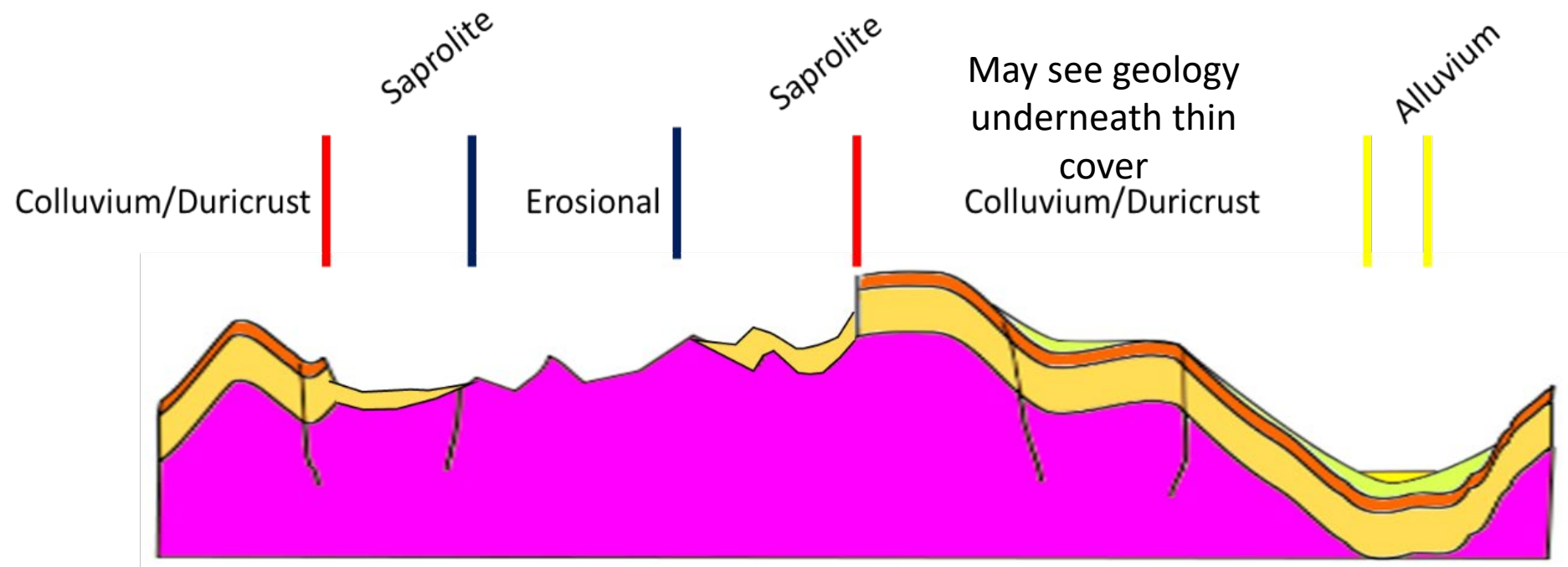


# Regolith-landforms and sample media

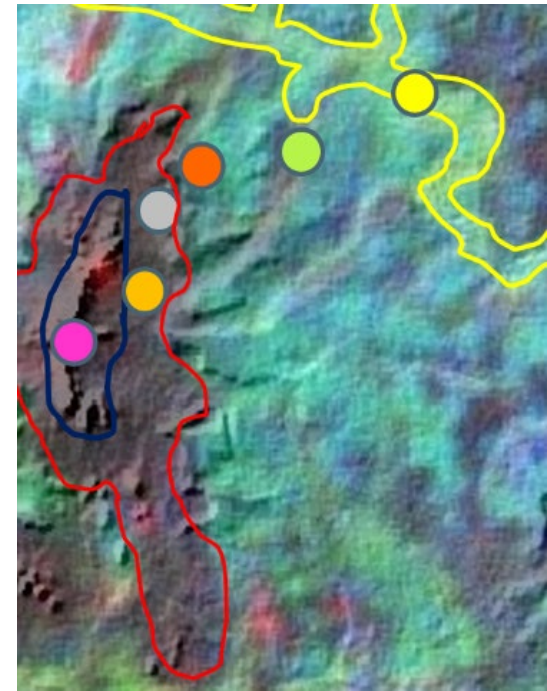
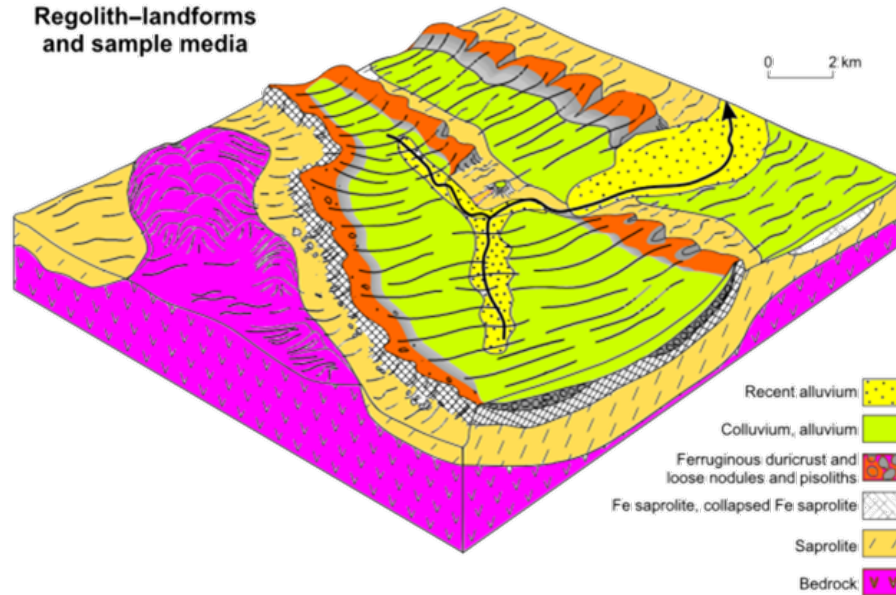



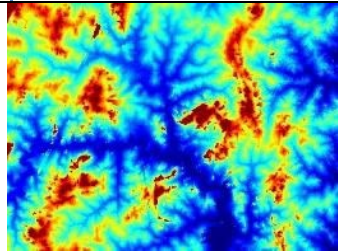
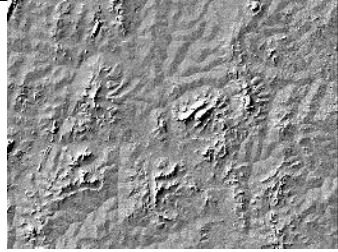
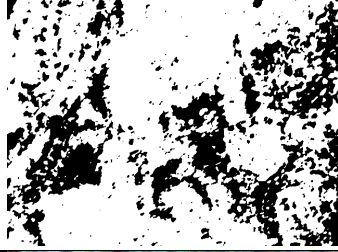
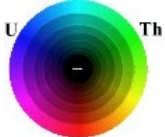
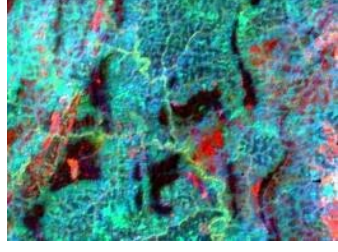
- Recent alluvium 
- Colluvium, alluvium 
- 
- Ferruginous duricrust and loose nodules and pisoliths 
- Relict Fe saprolite, collapsed Fe saprolite 
- Saprolite 
- Bedrock 



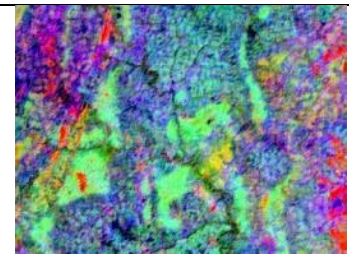
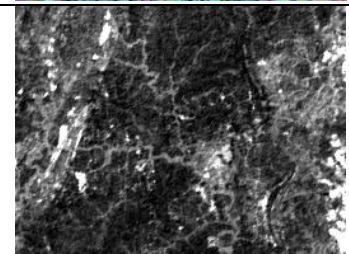
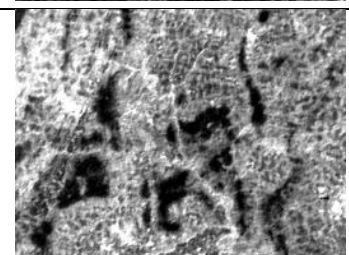




Regolith-landforms  
and sample media



Regolith_interp	Your interpretation	 <p>75 km E-W</p>
B1_DEM.jpg	Digital Terrain Model (DTM)	
B1_DEM_sh.jpg	DTM shaded from NW	
B1_KTh_threshold.png	Thresholded K/Th ratio	
B1_KThU.jpg	<p>KThU ternary image</p> 	



B1_PCA324.jpg	Principal Component Image	
B1_K.jpg	K band	
B1_Th.jpg	Th Band	
B1_U.jpg	U band	
B1_TC.jpg	Total Count band	

**Table 3**

Summary table of the lithologies; their mineralogical, petrophysical characteristics, and expression in the airborne geophysical data. DTM – digital terrain model, andes. – andesite, volc.-sedim. – volcano-sediment, qtz – quartz, pl – plagioclase, cpx – clinopyroxene, hbl – hornblende, act – actinolite, chl – chlorite, ep – epidote, bt – biotite, kfs – K-feldspar, kln – kaolinite, czo – clinozoisite, carb – carbonate, hem – hematite, gt – goethite. Folds/Faults – red line – interpreted fault/shear zone, yellow line – lithological contact, turquoise line – interpreted fold hinge.


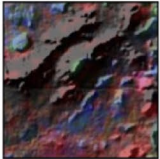

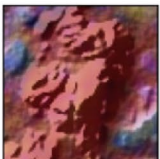




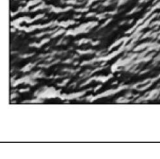

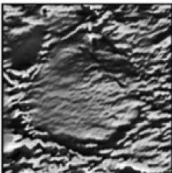
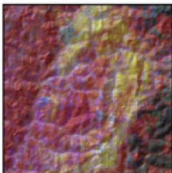
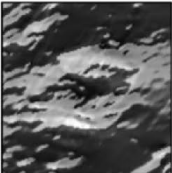
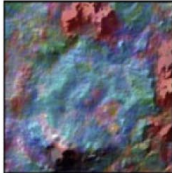
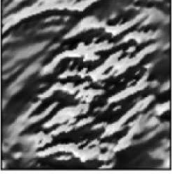
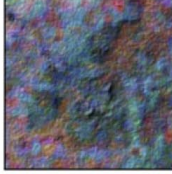
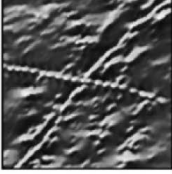
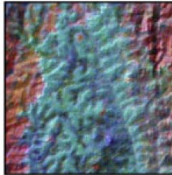
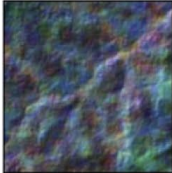
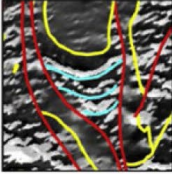
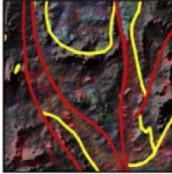
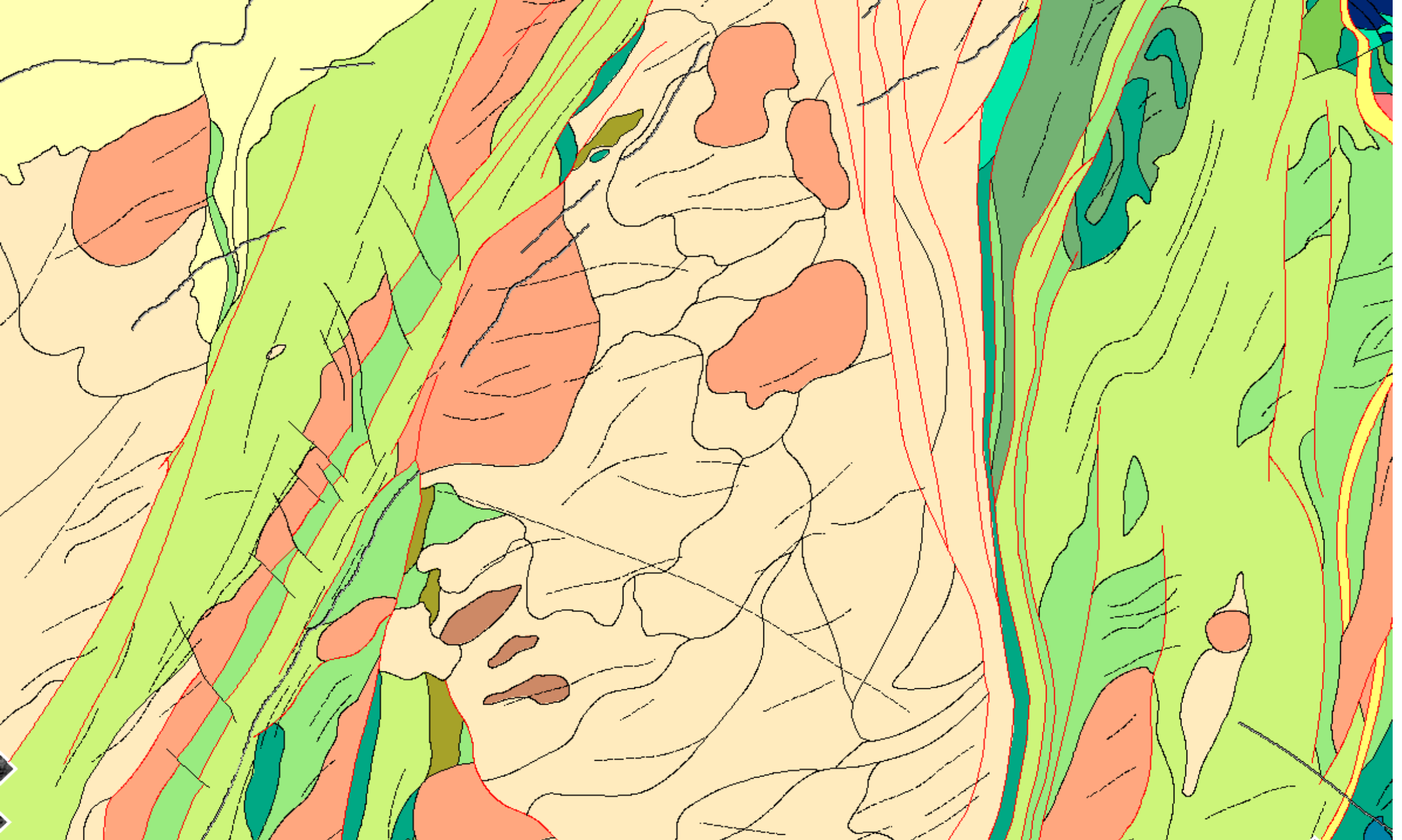
Legend	Lithology and structures	Mineralogy	Density and mag. susceptibility	Airborne Magnetic response	Magnetic image	Airborne radiometric response	Radiometric + shaded DTM image
Ultrabasic rock	Dunite; massive	ab, ol, serp, ep, chl	NA NA	Not distinguishable from basalts and gabbros		K, eTh, eU poor	
Basalt, gabbro; Basalt	Pyroxenite; mass. (Micro)gabbro, dolerite; massive, localized SZ	pl, cpx/hbl pl, cpx, hbl/act, chl, ep/czo, qtz	High 2.90 – 3.11 g/cm <sup>3</sup> 0.1 – 150x10 <sup>-3</sup> SI bimodal	Moderate to high intensity, variable N-S to NE-SW oriented magnetic fabric		K, eTh, eU poor	
Basaltic andes.; andesite, pyroclastic flow	Basalt; massive, localized SZ Andesite, massive; localized SZ Pyroclastic flow; massive, local. SZ	pl, hbl/act, chl, ep/czo, qtz pl, ep/czo, chl, act, qtz	Medium to high 2.73 – 3.07 g/cm <sup>3</sup> 0.01 – 30x10 <sup>-3</sup> SI unimodal	Moderate to low intensity andesitic -> basaltic increasingly magnetic		Medium to high K, moderate eTh and eU	
Pyroclastics, volc.-sedim.	Tuffs, foliated; localized SZ	pl, ep/czo, chl, act, qtz		Moderate to low intensity, smooth texture, andesitic layers add magnetic fabric			
Rhyolite, dacite	Felsic - dacites, rhyolites; massive	qtz, ab, ep, chl, ms	NA 0.01-0.12x10 <sup>-3</sup> SI	Not recognizable, small bodies usually		Medium to high K, moderate eTh and eU (usually small bodies)	
Birimian sediments, volc.-sedim.	Wackestones and argillites; foliated, localized SZ	qtz, ab, chl, ms, carb, ep	Medium to low 2.60 – 2.90 g/cm <sup>3</sup> 0.01 – 0.4x10 <sup>-3</sup> SI unimodal	Low intensity uniform, andesitic layers add fabric		Low to moderate K, eU, eTh, affected by regolith	
Tarkwaian-type sedim.	Conglomerate; mass., localized SZ Sandstone, gritstone; massive, localized SZ Arkose, pelite; foliated	qtz, ab, ms, carb, ep	Medium to low 2.71 – 2.76 g/cm <sup>3</sup> 0.1 – 0.12x10 <sup>-3</sup> SI unimodal	Low intensity, uniform		Moderate K, moderate to low eTh, eU	
Tonalite, trochilomite, granodiorite (ME1)	Granodiorite, tonalite and diorite; HT banding, mylonitic foliation, locally mylonitic	pl, qtz, bt, hbl	Medium to low 2.64 – 2.80 g/cm <sup>3</sup> 0.1 – 34x10 <sup>-3</sup> SI bimodal/ multimodal	Low to moderate intensity, variable NNE-SSW oriented magnetic fabric, complex interlocked bodies		Moderate to low K, moderate eTh and eU, affected by regolith	



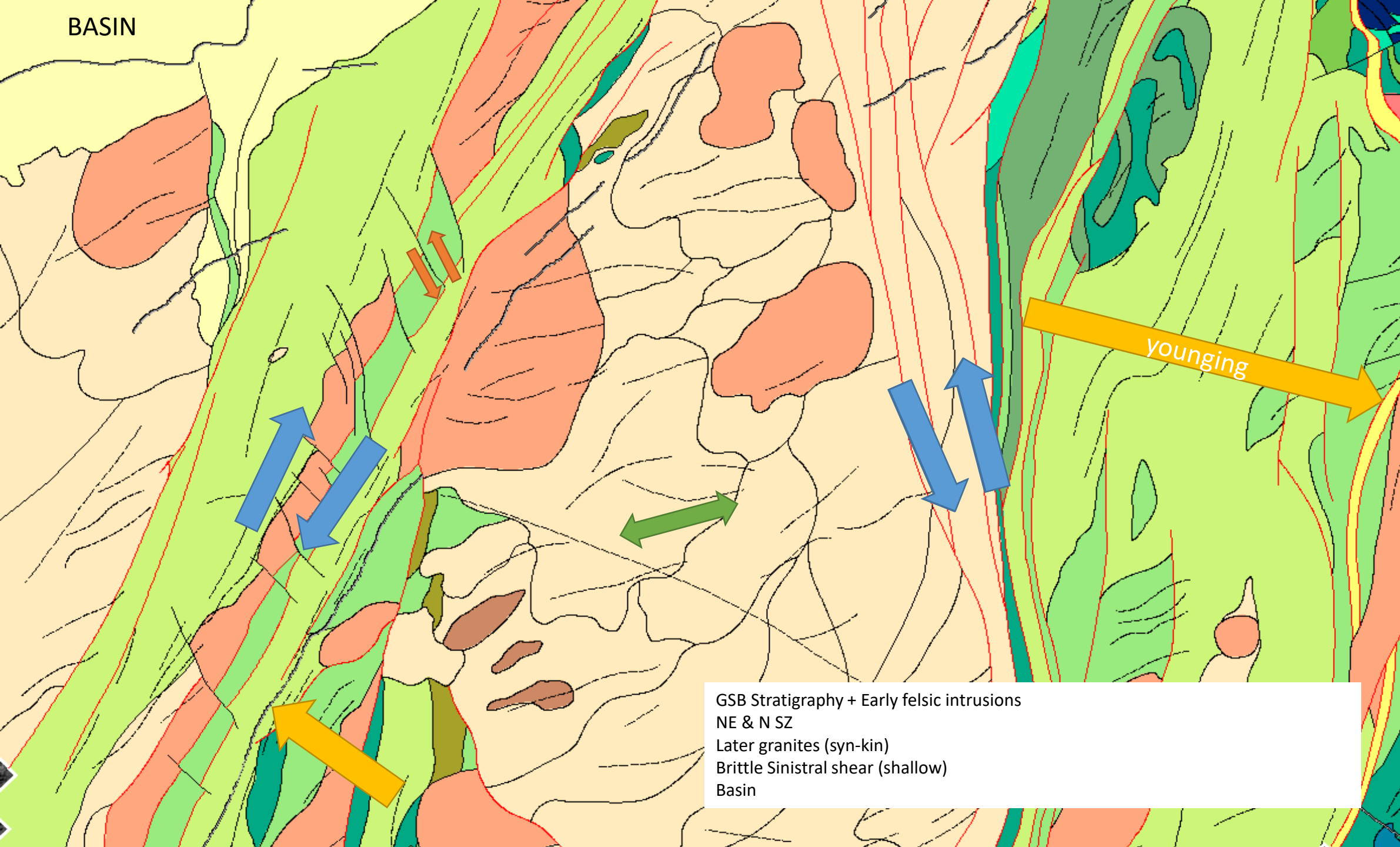
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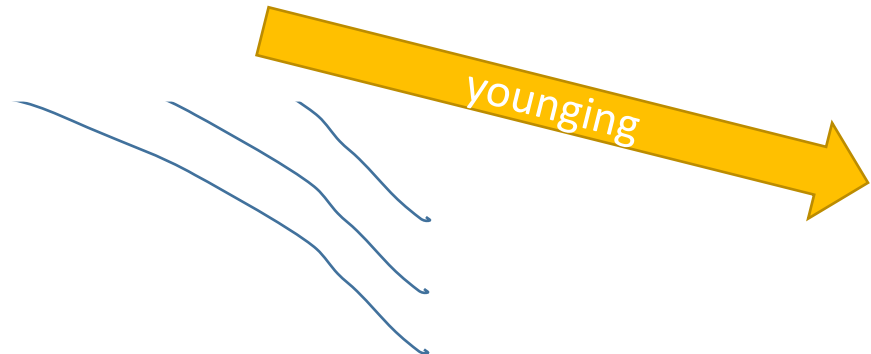
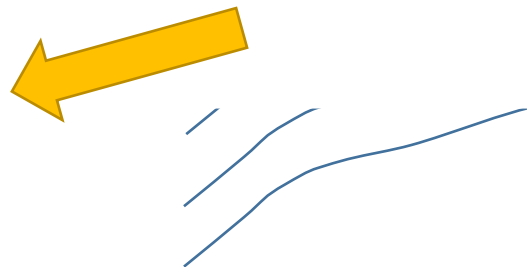
Granodiorite, granite (ME2)	Granite and granodiorite; mylonitic foliation, localized SZ, massive	pl, qtz, kfs, bt, (hbl)	Medium to low 2.63 – 2.73 g/cm <sup>3</sup> 0.1 – 37x10 <sup>-3</sup> SI bimodal/ multimodal	Moderate to high intensity Sub-elliptical bodies	 5 km	Moderate to high K, eTh and eU, affected by regolith	 5 km
Granite (ME3)	Granite, leucogranite; locally mylonitic, massive, mylonitic foliation	pl, kfs, qtz, ms, bt,	Medium to low 2.63 – 2.73 g/cm <sup>3</sup> > 0.4x10 <sup>-3</sup> SI	High intensity sub-elliptical bodies, magnetic zoning	 5 km	High K, eTh, eU, affected by regolith	 5 km
Gabbro, diorite (ME4)	Gabbro; massive	cpx, hbl, pl, qtz	NA 0.18 – 0.39x10 <sup>-3</sup> SI	Moderate to high intensity	 5 km	Low	 5 km
Dolerite dyke	Dolerite dyke, massive	ol, opx, cpx, hbl, NA bt, pl	15 – 76.8x10 <sup>-3</sup> SI unimodal	Highly magnetic, linear features	 5 km	Not recognizable	
Not on map	Fe-rich duricrust	hem, gt, kln, qtz	NA NA			Low K, high eTh and eU	 5 km
Not on map	Soft pediment	hem, gt, kln, sme, qtz	NA NA			Low K, high eTh and eU	 5 km
Folds/Faults	Folding geometries or changes in lithology and structural patterns	NA	NA NA	Folds - curved magnetic patterns Faults - abrupt changes in magnetic patterns, truncation, displacement	 5 km	Folds - curved patterns Faults - Changes in the content of radioelements when contrasting lithologies are present	 5 km



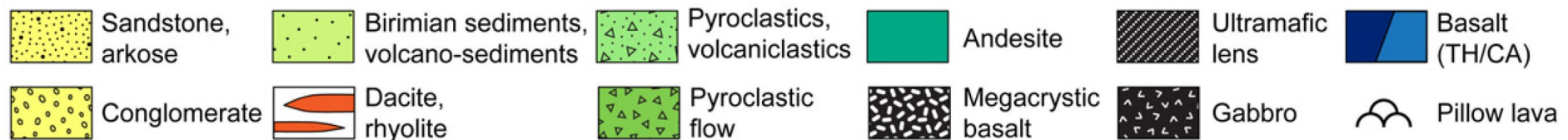
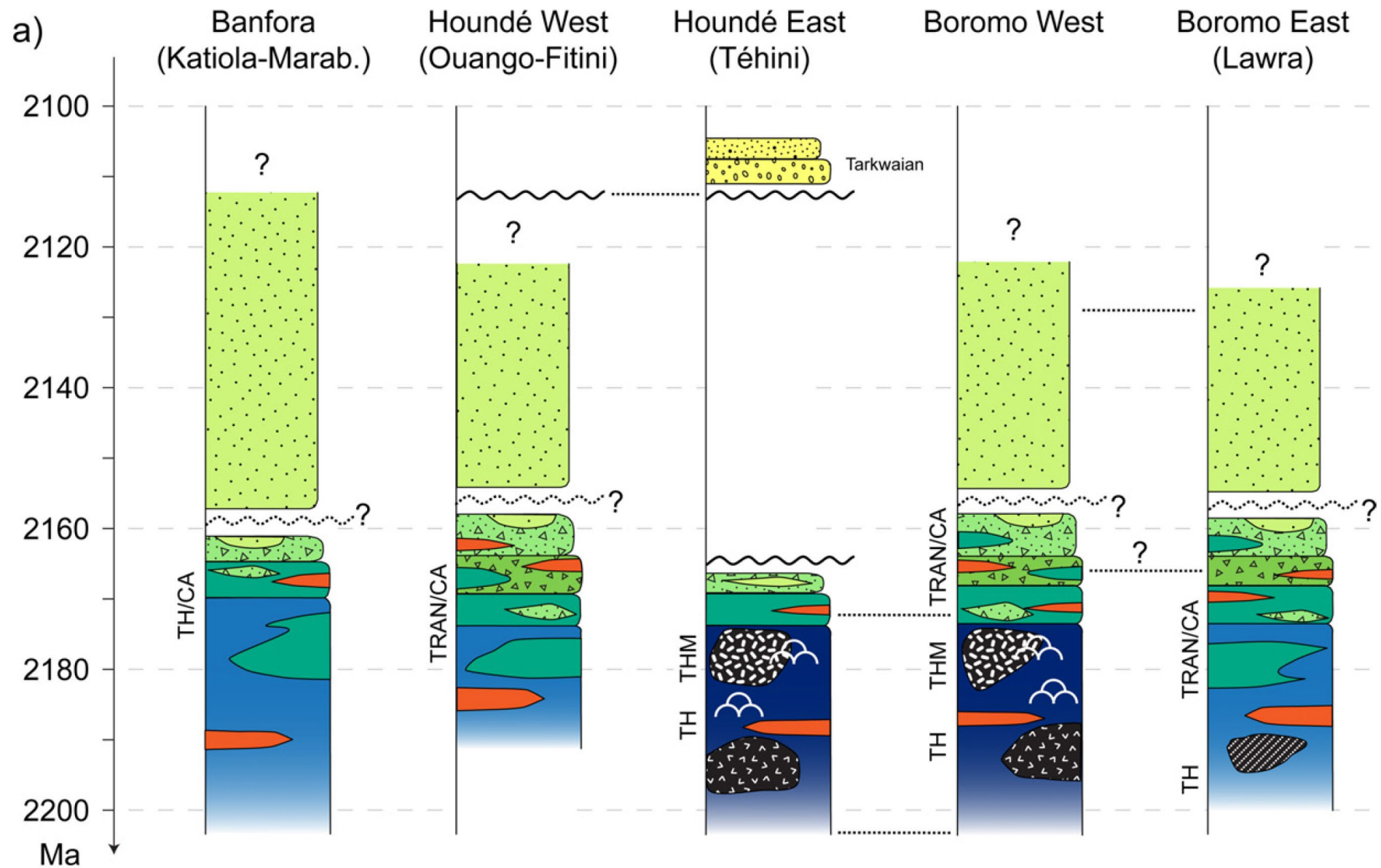


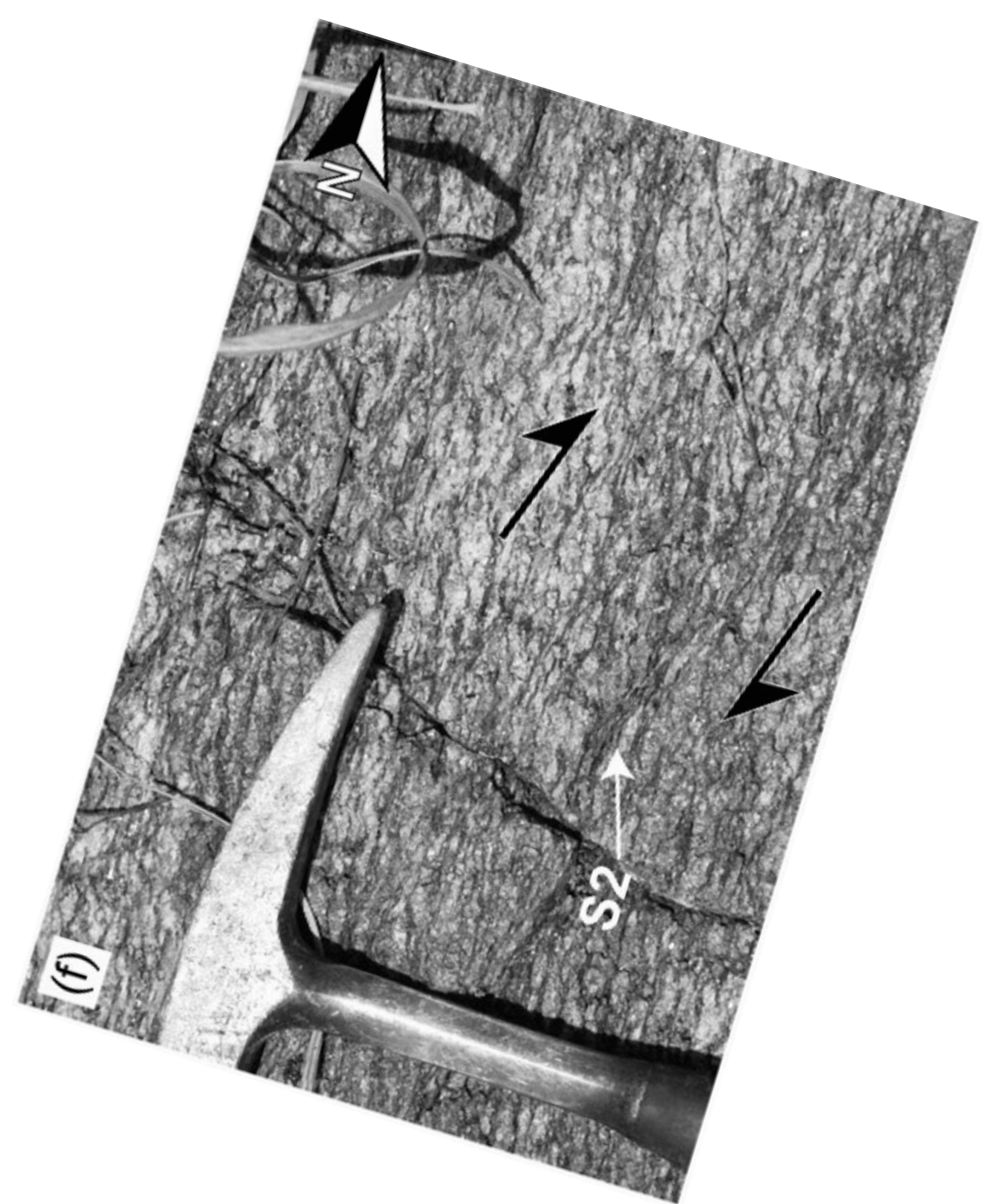
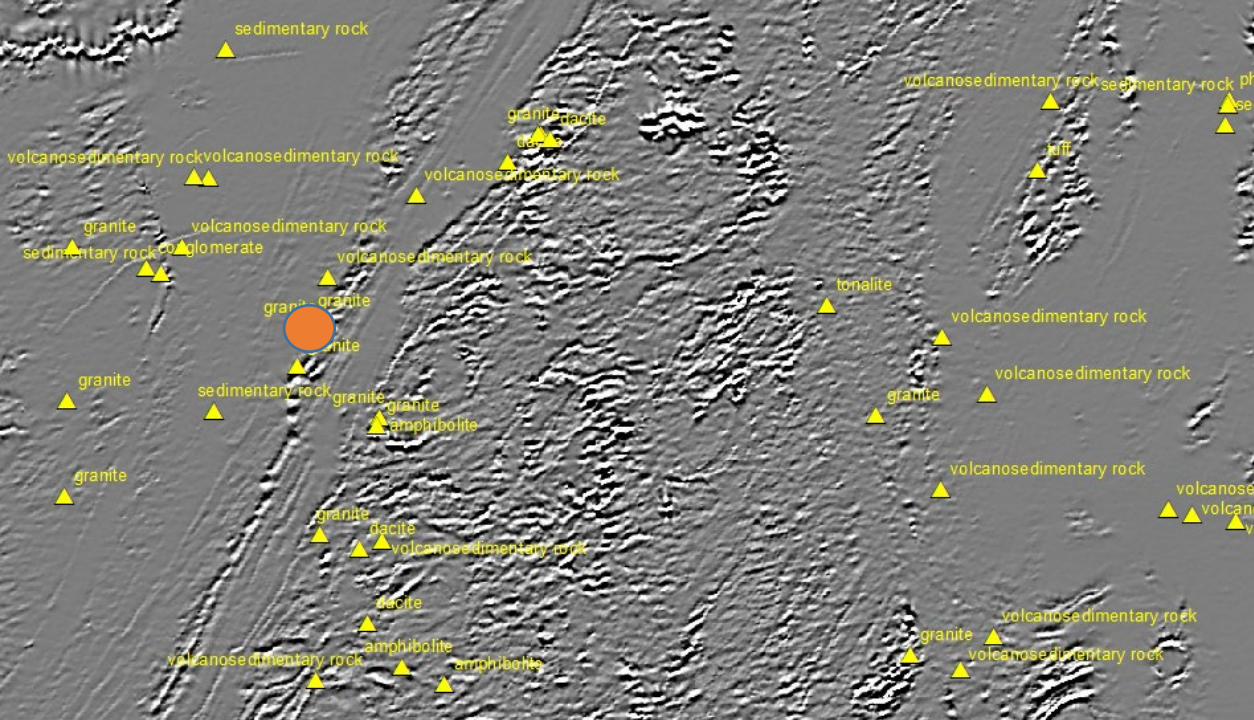
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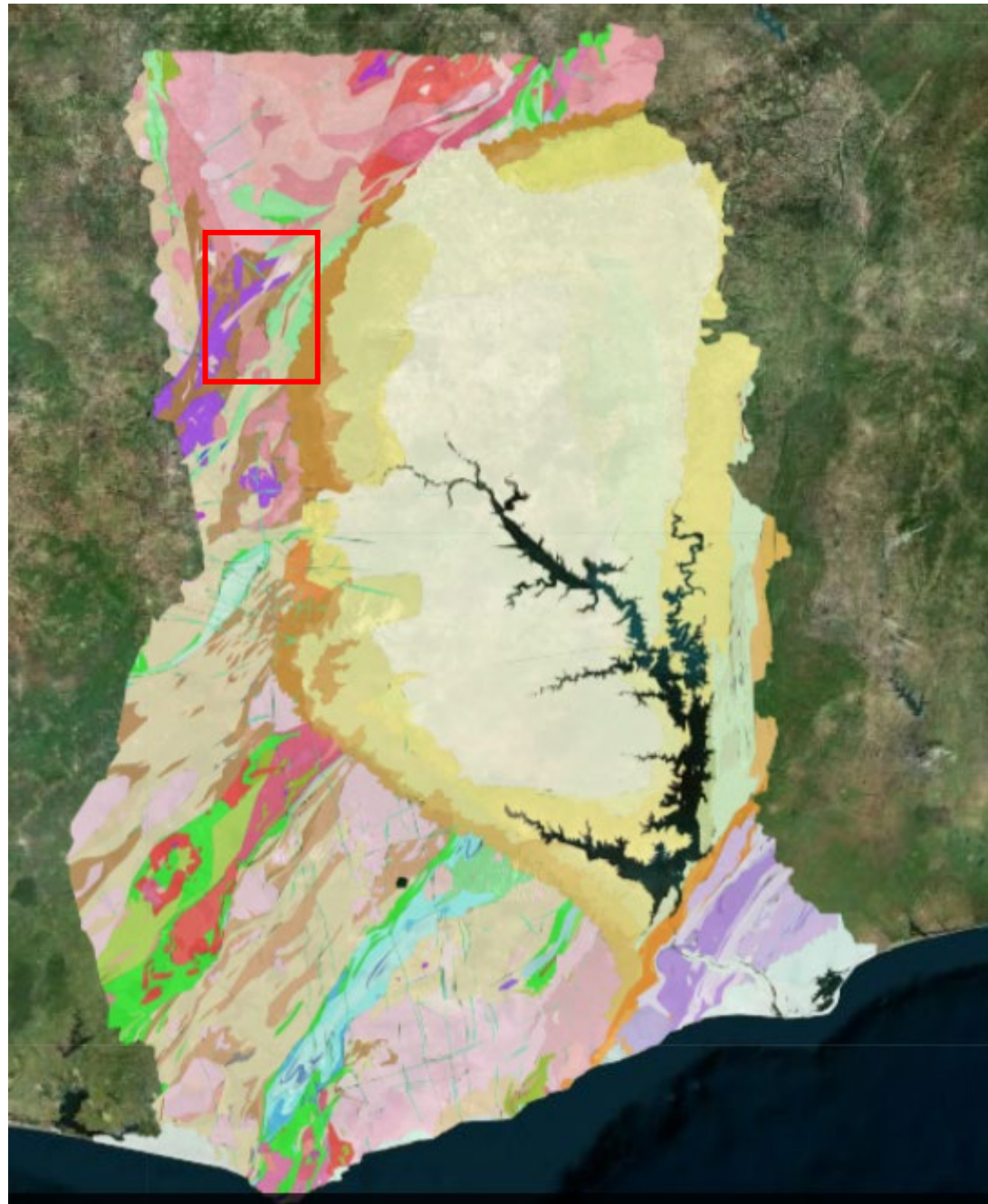




## Participant datasets:

1. If you are allowed, send me the data today so I can see what I can make of it
2. If it is confidential data, at least send me the coordinates or shapefile of the region of interest- in lat longs or provide project system, but not mine grid!

## 4. NW Ghana



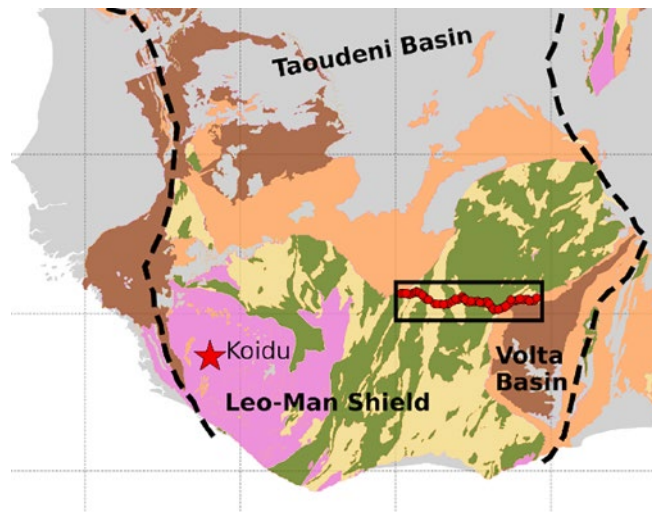


An aerial photograph of a landscape with a semi-transparent geological map overlaid. The map uses various colors to delineate different geological features. A large, irregularly shaped area in the upper left is colored in shades of pink and red. To its right, a diagonal band of yellow and light green stretches across the middle. The lower right portion of the map is a large, light green area. A dark, branching line, likely a river or road, is visible in the bottom right corner. Three white labels with black text are placed over the map: 'Wa-Lawra belt' is oriented vertically on the left; 'Bole-Nangodi shear zone' is oriented diagonally across the center; and 'Volta Basin' is oriented horizontally in the lower right.

Wa-Lawra belt

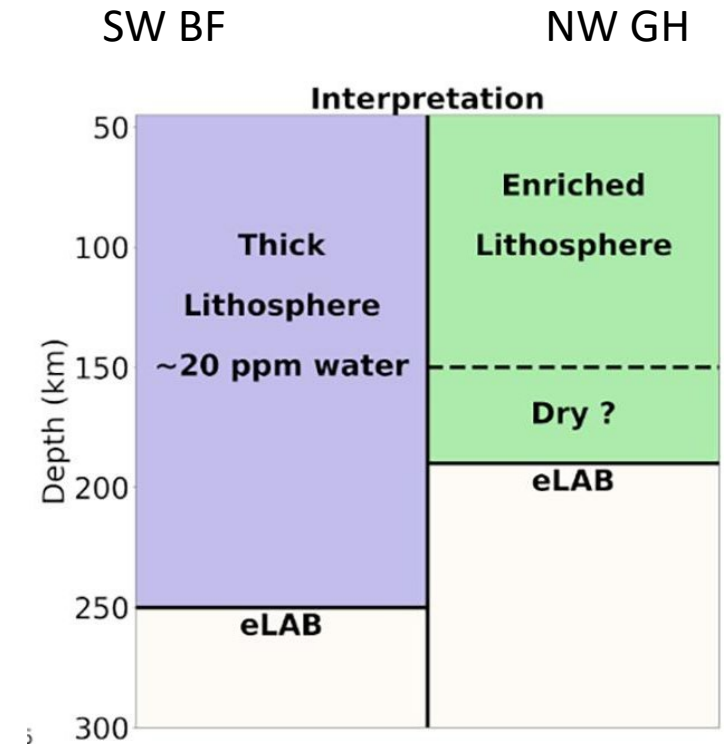
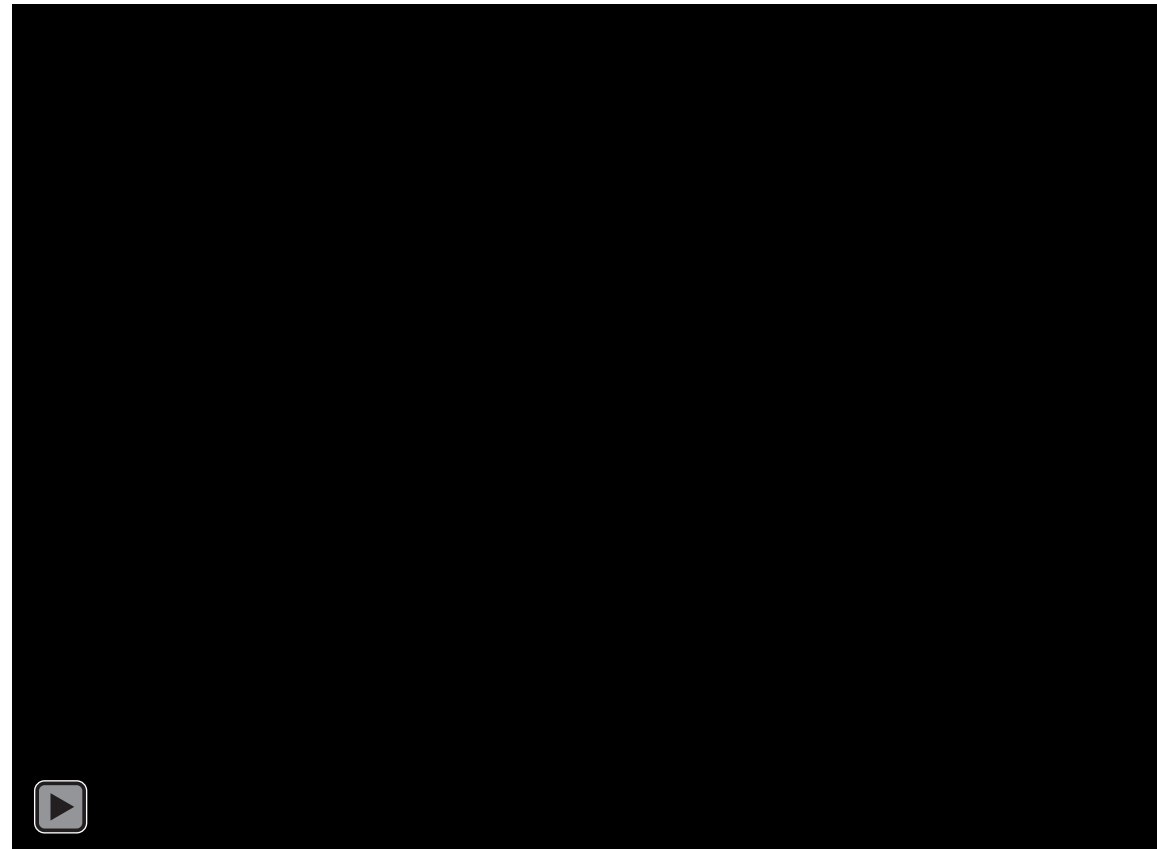
Bole-Nangodi shear zone

Volta Basin



# Magnetotelluric experiment

- Confirmed important crustal and lithospheric extent of major structures mapped at surface
- Fundamental crustal boundary parallel to SWBF/NWGH border in Wa-Lawra area



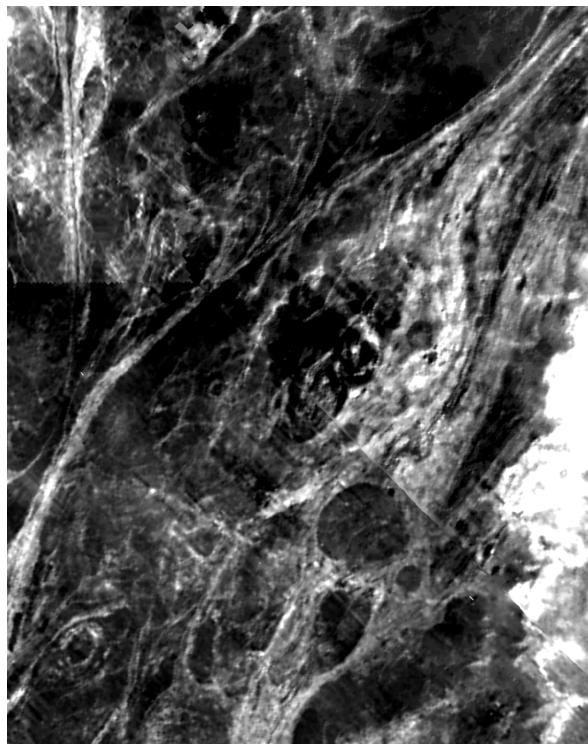


# Scientific questions

Relationship between domains of contrasting metamorphic conditions

- « Antebirimian » basement and Birimian volcano-sédimentary belts ?
- Distinct crustal-scale slices of the Eburnean orogen ?

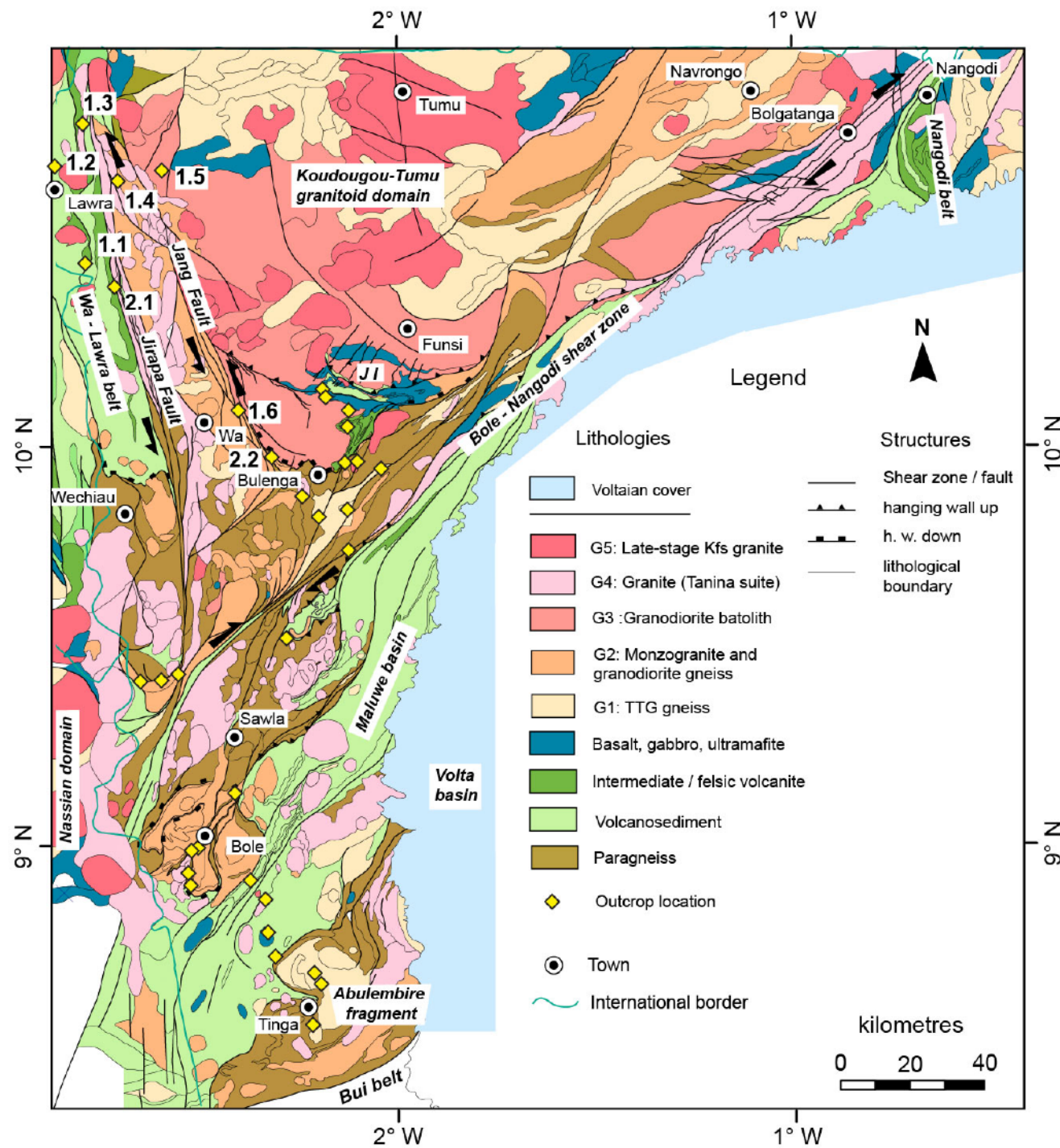
# Geology- Petrophysics- Geophysics Correlation tables



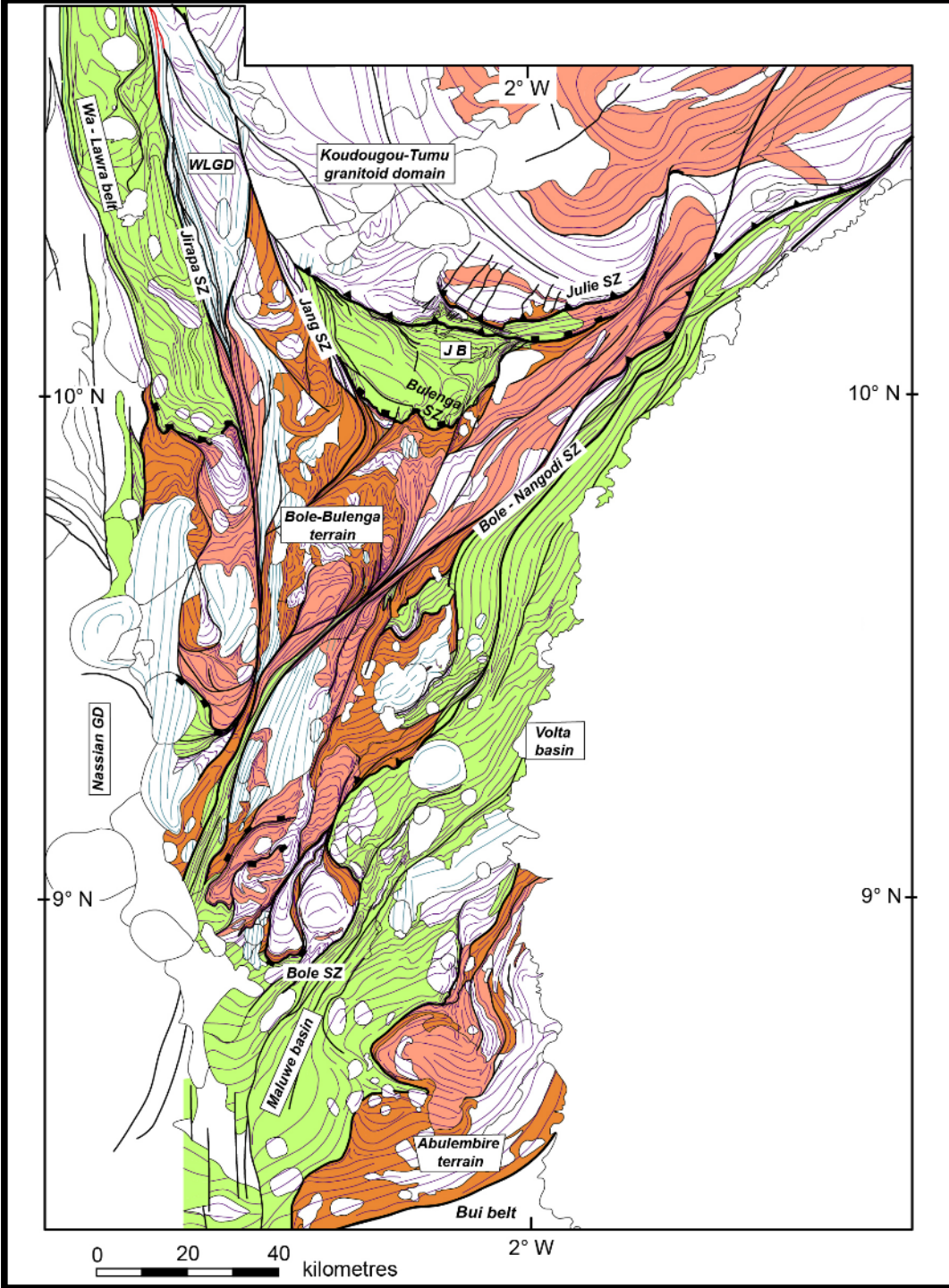
FDEM

Lithology	G1: TTG gneiss	G2: TTG	Mafic orthogneiss	G3 : granodiorite	G4: Biotite granite & granodiorite	G5: Potassic granite	Andesite/dacite	Basalt/metabasalt
Mineralogy	qz, pl, hbl, bt	qz, pl, kf, hbl (±ep)	qz, pl, hbl, ilm (±gt)	qz, pl, hbl, bt	qz, pl, kf, bt	qz, kf, pl, bt (±ep)	qz, pl, hbl, sph,	act, chl, qz, ep, cal
Magnetic susceptibility (10 <sup>-3</sup> SI)	0.05, 0.30-0.40, 4-10, multimodal	0.10-0.30	0.10-0.5, 1.0-10 (bimodal)	1.0-55	0.005-0.15	0.10-8.0, bimodal	0.30-0.40	<i>no data</i>
Sample	BN261	BN092	BN506	BN380	BN112	BN083	BN02	BN101
U (ppm)	0.29	2.15	0.81	0.46	1.55	4.45	0.810	0.075
Th (ppm)	3.79	3.49	2.26	1.16	12.85	13.9	2.2	0.2
K2O (%)	0.92	3.07	0.56	1.48	2.03	5.16	0.51	0.14
Map								
Airborne magnetic response	Moderate to high intensity, marked magnetic fabric	Low to moderate, homogeneous.	Low to high, heterogeneous, strong magnetic fabric	Very high, heterogeneous, strong magnetic fabric	Low intensity, homogeneous interlocked bodies	Low to high intensity.	Low to moderate intensity, variable	High intensity layers
Magnetic image								
Airborne radiometric response	K, Th, U poor (dark)	Moderate to high K, moderate U, low Th (red)	Moderate K, moderate U, low Th (red to blue) ??	Low to moderate K Th, U poor (dark to red)	Moderate K, high Th, low U (green, yellow, orange)	Very high K, high Th, moderate U (red-yellow)	moderate U (blue), low Th, K.	K, Th, U poor (dark)
Radiometric + shaded DTM								
Airborne electro-magnetic signal	Heterogenous	Low intensity, homogeneous	Heterogeneous	Heterogeneous	Low intensity, homogeneous	<i>no data</i>	Low intensity, homogeneous	Moderate to high intensity
Electro-magnetic image						<i>no data</i>		





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## Legend

### Structures

- Major shear zone/  
domain boundary
- Minor shear zone
- ▲ Thrust
- Normal shear zone
- Lithological  
boundary

### Foliation trajectory

- S1 - S1/n
- S3

### Metamorphic facies

- Greenschist
- Amphibolite
- Migmatite



## Deformation « D1 »



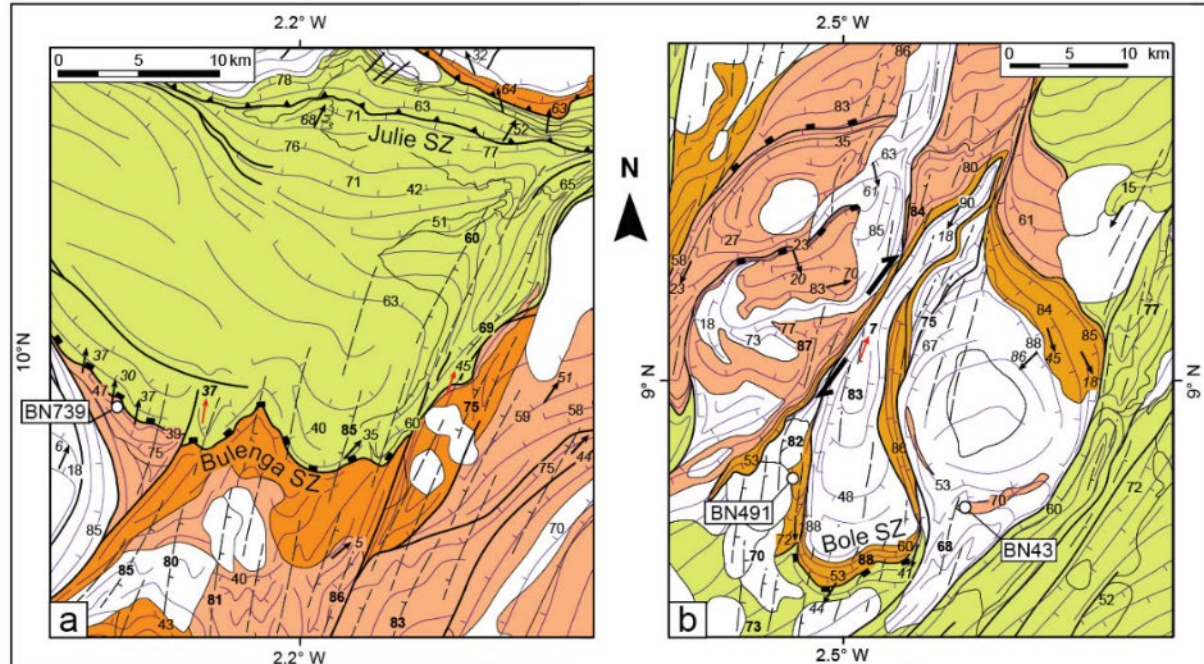
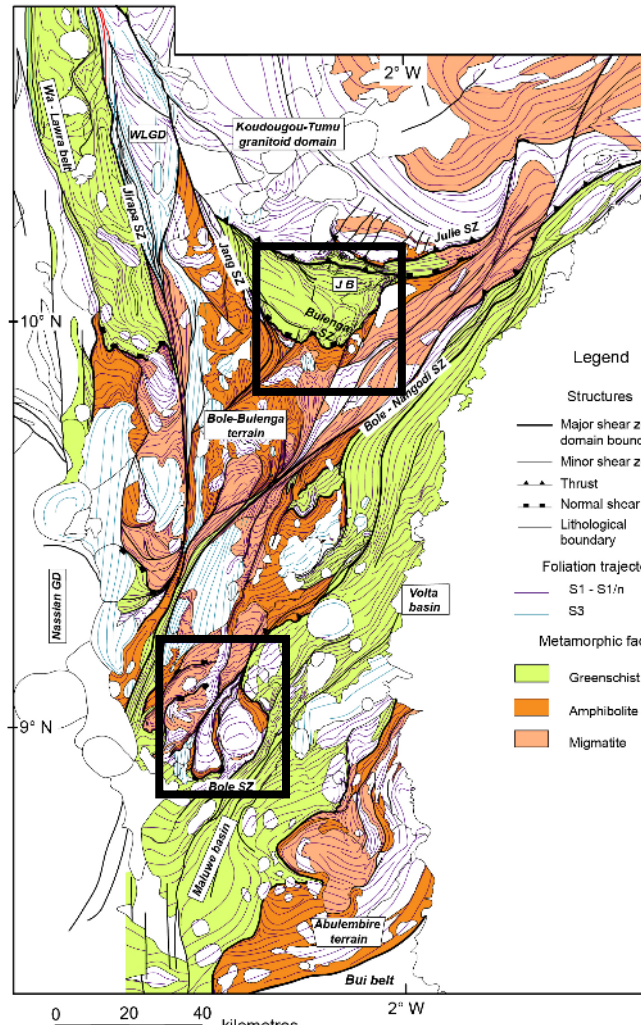
Contraction > N-S shortening  
Amphibolite – granulite-facies metamorphism



# Deformation « D2 »

Extension > N-S stretching

Normal shear zones / detachments



*Interpretation:*

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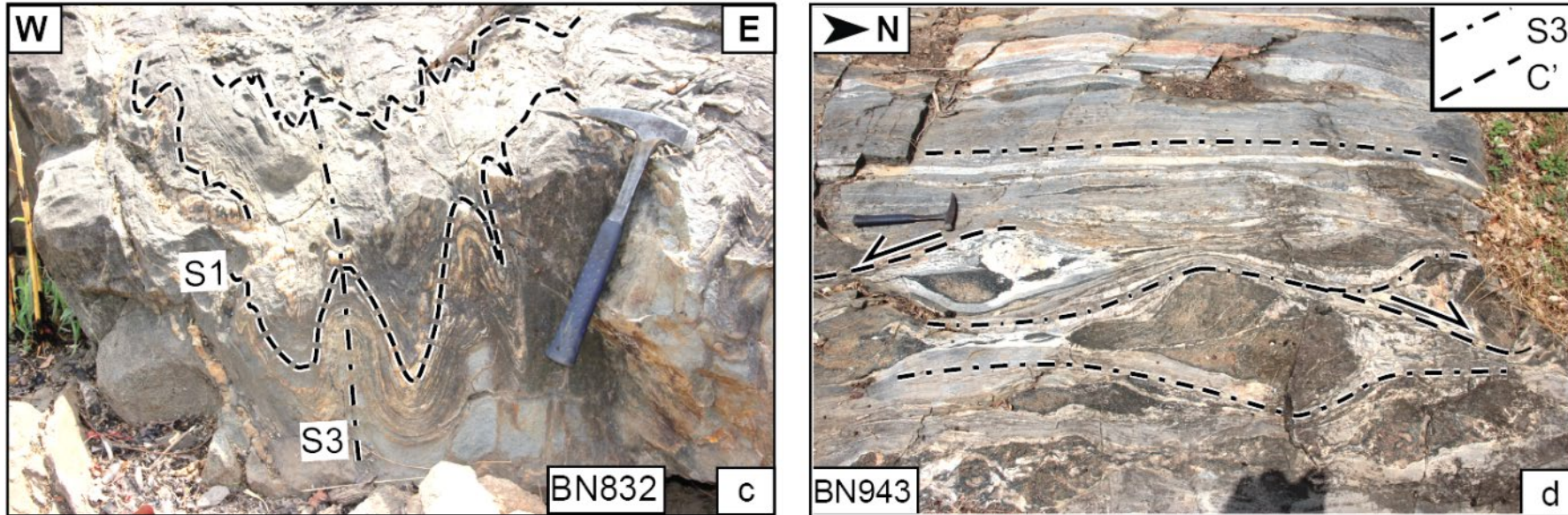
Crustal thinning and decompression

Beginning of lower-crust exhumation in an anatectic dome

Max. age ca. 2130 Ma.



# Deformation « D3 »

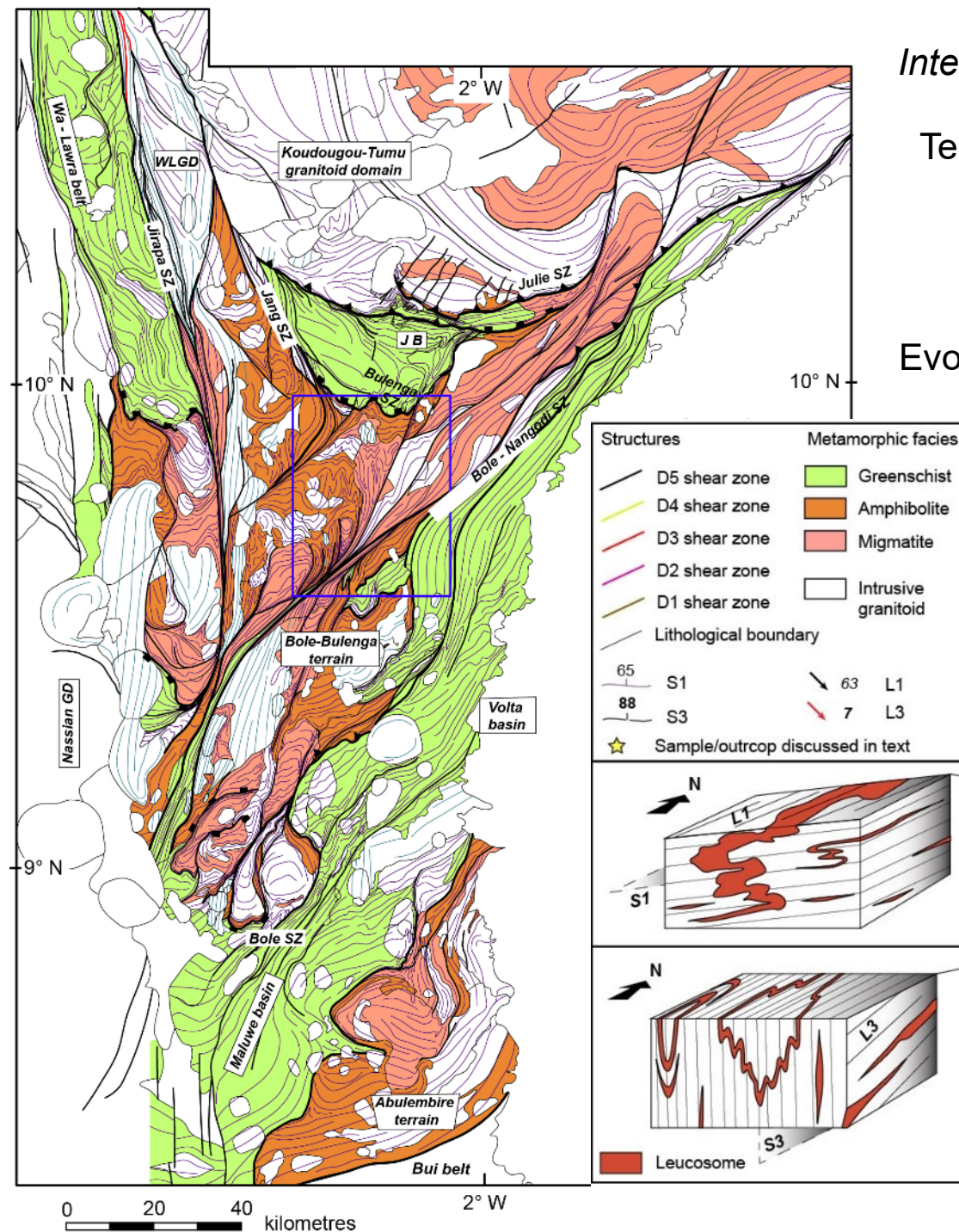


Contraction > E-W shortening & NW dextral shearing

Progressive strain localisation

Amphibolite-facies metamorphism



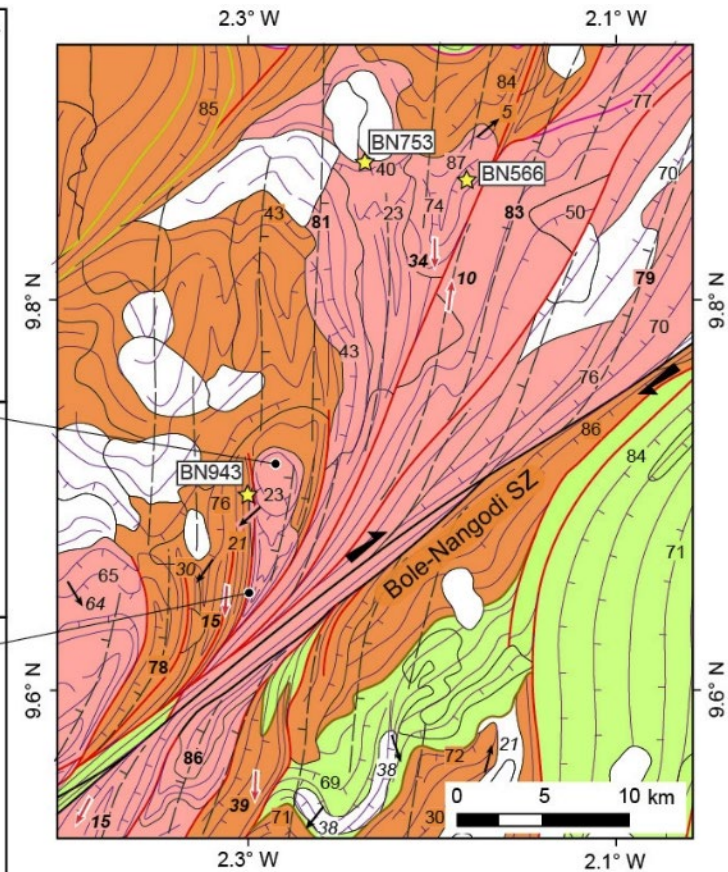


*Interpretation:*

Termination of lower-crust exhumation

Tectonic juxtaposition of various domains

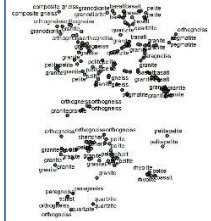
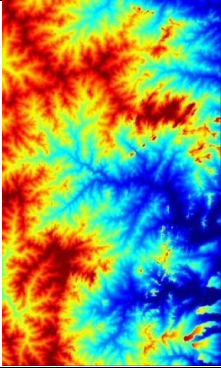
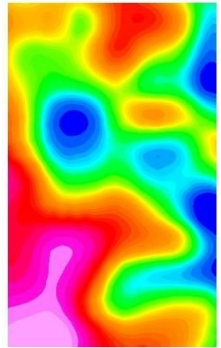
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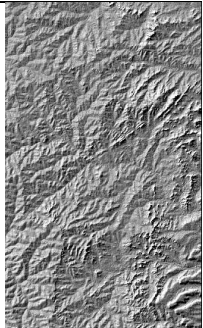
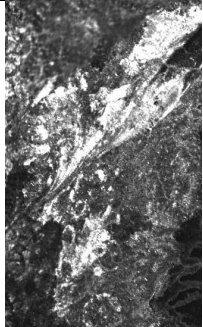
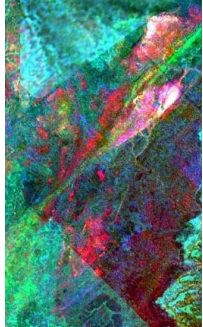
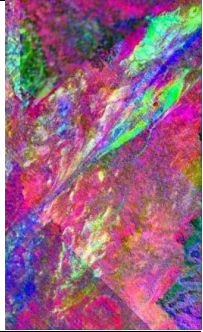




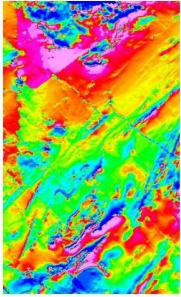
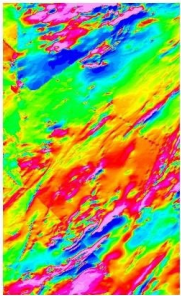
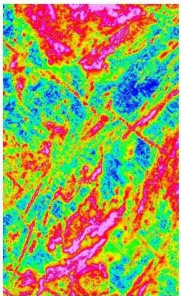
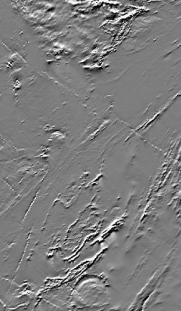
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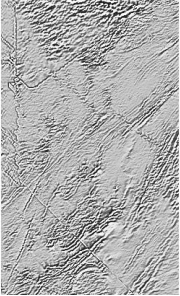
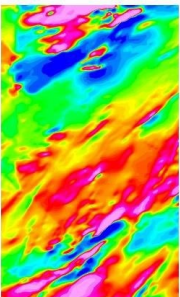
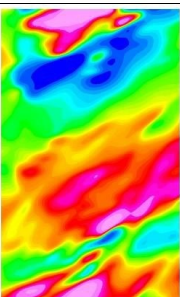
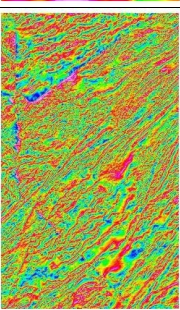
- Recognition of regional high-grade metamorphism
- Re-assessment of the belt/basin/basement relationship
- Indications of a rheologically strong lithosphere at ca. 2140 Ma, enabling heterogeneous thickening and exhumation
- Craton architecture: sub-domains of similar ages but stabilised sequentially... ?

NG_interp	Your Interpretation	Us the Id code to distinguish contact types
outcrops	Outcrop database	
NG_DEM.jpg	Digital Terrain Model (DTM)	
NG_FA.jpg	Free Air Gravity	

NG_DEM_sh.jpg	Shaded DTM (from NW)	
NG_KTh1.jpg	K/Th ratio	
NG_KThU1.jpg	KThU ternary Radiometrics	
NG_PCA2341.jpg	Principal Components Radiometrics	



NG_TMI.jpg	Total Magnetic Intensity	
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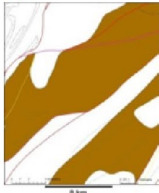
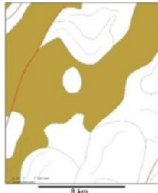
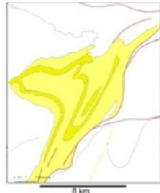
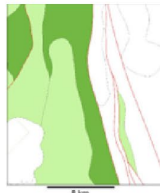
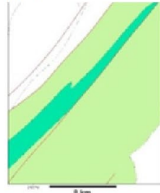
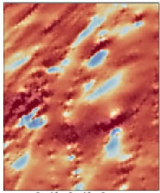
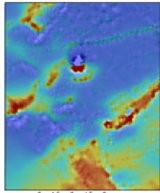
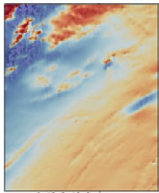
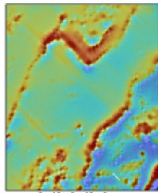
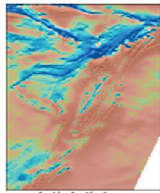
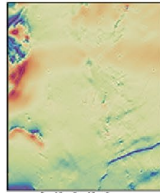
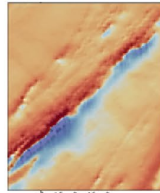
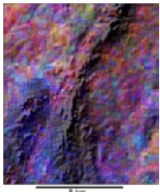
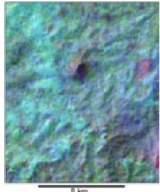
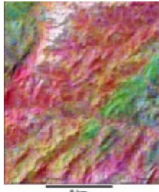



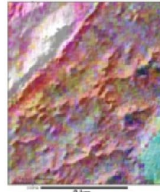
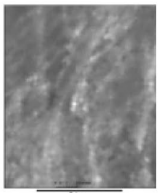
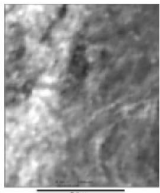
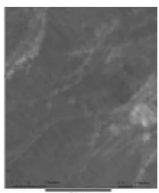
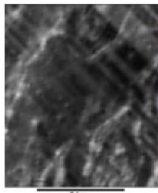
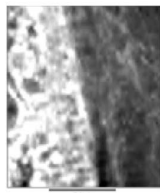
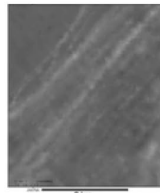
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**Table 1**  
Synthesis of the petrophysical properties and geophysical signatures of the lithologies represented on the geological map (Fig. 3). Thumbnails represent subsets of geophysical datasets of 12 × 18 km processed according to the same method as the images presented in Fig. 2. The geophysical responses of the lithological types served as criteria for mapping. Whole rock geochemical analyses were conducted by A.L.S. Mineral Laboratory, Sevilla, Spain.

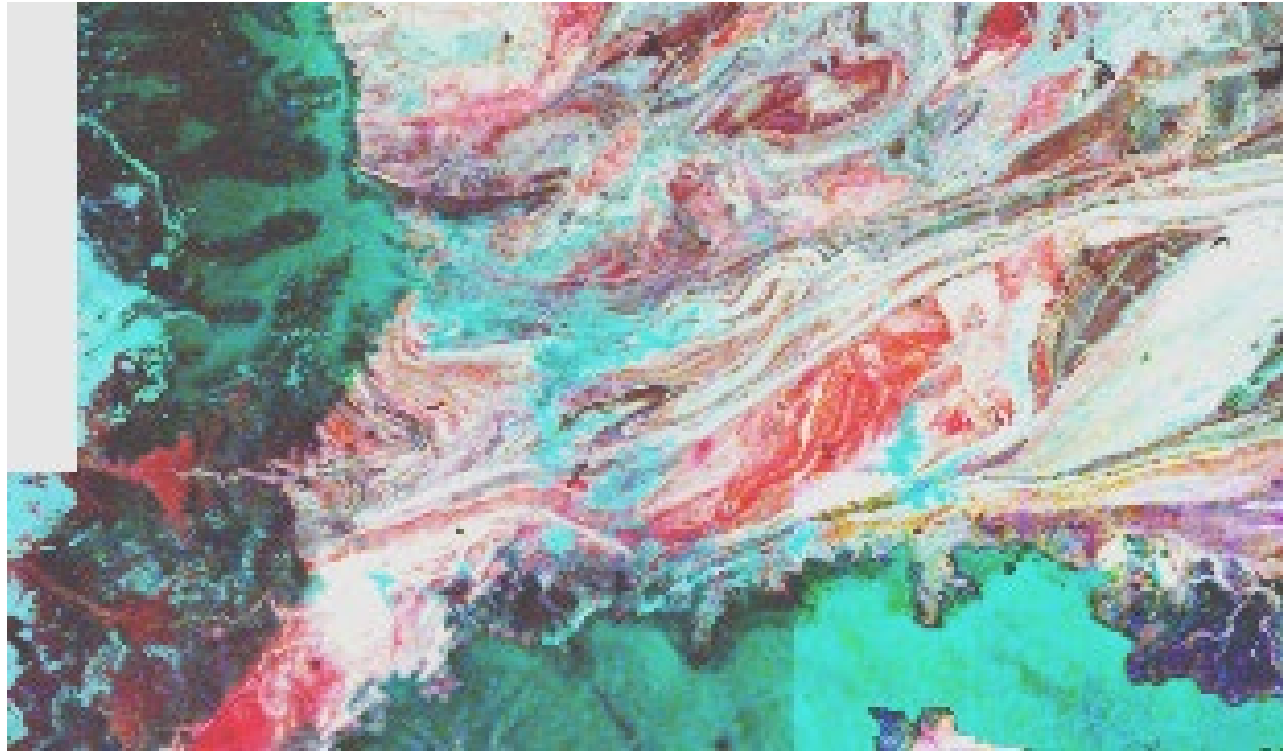
Lithology	G1: TTG & granodiorite gneiss	G2: granodiorite & diorite	Mafic orthogneiss	G3: granodiorite	G4: biotite granite & granodiorite	G5: potassic granite	Andesite/dacite	Basalt/metabasalt
Mineralogy	qz, pl, hbl, bt	qz, pl, kf, hbl (±ep)	qz, pl, hbl, ilm (±gt)	qz, pl, hbl, bt	qz, pl, kf, bt	qz, kf, pl, bt (±ep)	qz, pl, hbl, sph,	act, chl, qz, ep, cal
Magnetic susceptibility (10 <sup>-3</sup> SI)	0.05, 0.30–0.40, 4–10, multimodal	0.10–0.30	0.10–0.5, 1.0–10 (bimodal)	1.0–55	0.10–0.5, 1.0–10 (bimodal)	0.10–8.0, bimodal	0.30–0.40	No data
Sample	BN261	BN092	BN506	BN380	BN112	BN083	BN02	BN101
U (ppm)	0.29	2.15	0.81	0.46	1.55	4.45	0.810	0.075
Th (ppm)	3.79	3.49	2.26	1.16	12.85	13.9	2.2	0.2
K <sub>2</sub> O (%)	0.92	3.07	0.56	1.48	2.03	5.16	0.51	0.14
Map								
Airborne magnetic response	Moderate to high intensity, marked magnetic fabric	Low to moderate, homogeneous.	Low to high, heterogeneous, strong magnetic fabric	Very high, heterogeneous, strong magnetic fabric	Low intensity, homogeneous interlocked bodies	Low to high intensity.	Low to moderate intensity, variable	High intensity layers
Magnetic image								
Airborne radiometric response	K, Th, U poor (dark)	Moderate to high K, moderate U, low Th (red)	Moderate K, moderate U, low Th (red to blue)??	Low to moderate K Th, U poor (dark to red)	Moderate K, high Th, low U (green, yellow, orange)	Very high K, high Th, moderate U (red–yellow)	moderate U (blue), low Th, K.	K, Th, U poor (dark)
Radiometric + shaded DTM								
Airborne electro-magnetic signal	Heterogenous	Low intensity, homogeneous	Heterogeneous	Heterogeneous	Low intensity, homogeneous	No data	Low intensity, homogeneous	Moderate to high intensity
Electro-magnetic image						No data		



Table 1 (Continued)

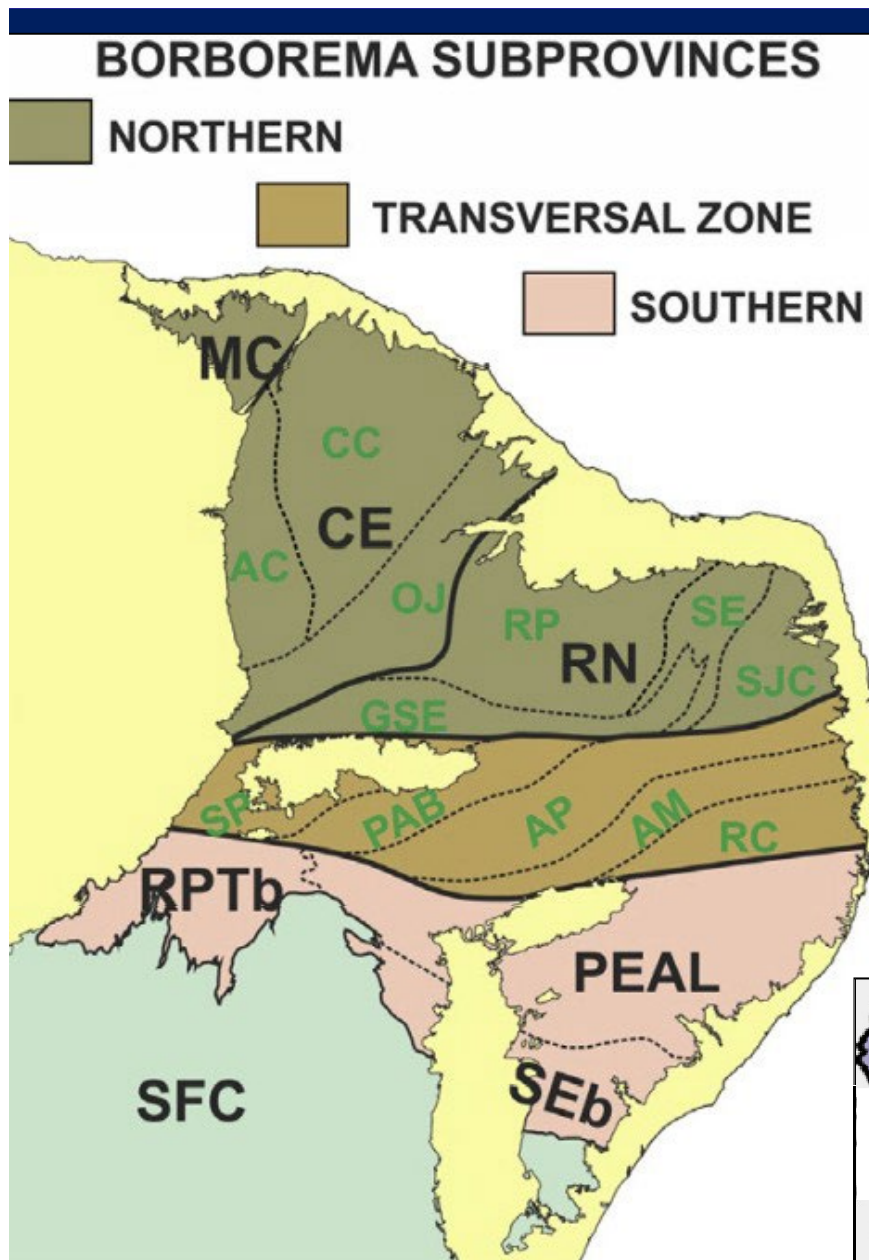
Lithology	Mn-rich sediment	Gabbro & dolerite dyke	Composite gneiss	Paragneiss	Polymictic sediments & conglomerates	Volcano-sedimentary schist	Rhyolite/felsic volcanoclastite
Mineralogy	No data	act, chl, sph, after cpx, hbl?	qz, bt, pl, wm ( $\pm$ grt, alsi)	qz, bt, pl, wm, gt, alsi/st	qz, pl, kf, wm, chl, ep, py	qz, chl, ms	qz, chl, wm ( $\pm$ grt)
Magnetic susceptibility ( $10^{-3}$ SI)	0.05–0.9, unimodal	0.2–2.0	0.01–0.35	0.10–0.35		0.05–0.55	0.04–0.20
Sample	BN006	BN104	BN392	BN047	BN110	BN411	BN400
U (ppm)		0.153	1.68	1.32	1.936	1.5	1.711
Th (ppm)		0.5	6.04	5.53	6.5	5.66	5.7
K <sub>2</sub> O (%)		0.50	3.35	2.27	3.40	1.78	0.79
Map							
Airborne magnetic response	Low to high, marked magnetic horizons	High intensity, strong signal	Low intensity, smooth homogeneous surface	Low intensity, smooth homogeneous surface	Contrasted intensity in stratigraphic horizons	Low intensity, smooth homogeneous surface	Occasional highly magnetic lavas
Magnetic image							
Airborne radiometric response	K, Th, U poor (dark)	K, Th, U poor (dark)	High (K + Th)/(K + Th + U) (red–orange)	Low U, moderate Th, K (green–yellow)	Low U, K, moderate to high Th (green–yellow)	Low U, moderate Th, K (orange–yellow)	Moderate U, Th, K (orange–yellow)
Radiometric + shaded DTM							
Airborne electro-magnetic signal	High intensity, heterogeneous	Low intensity	Low intensity, homogeneous	Low intensity, homogeneous	No data	Very high intensity	Moderate intensity
Electro-magnetic image					No data		

## 5: Borborema Province





# Perspectives - Underexplored Au systems

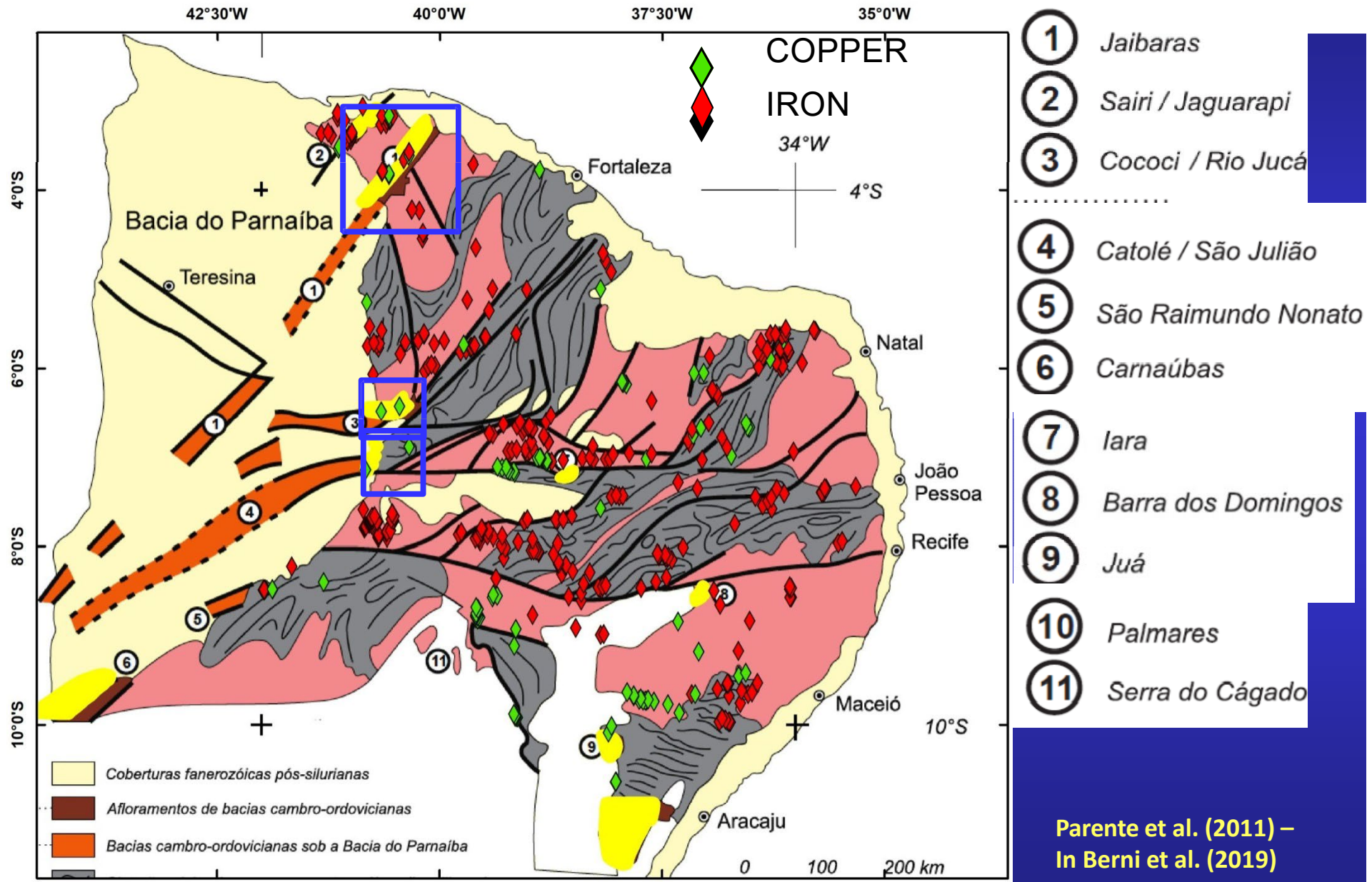


- Vast terrane covering 900 x 900 km
- At least 5 Archaean nuclei
- Numerous Palaeoproterozoic tectonic blocks
- Major Mesoproterozoic metamorphic belt
- Welded together by Neoproterozoic mobile belts, shear zones, fossil arcs, magmatic arcs, continental **arc and a** quintuple, ESE-vergent, imbricated thrust system
- Prolific occurrence record of Au, Cu, Fe, Ni, W, Sn, Mo and Ta, amongst other metallic and non-metallic minerals

Divided into: Northern, Transversal (or Central), and Southern sectors.

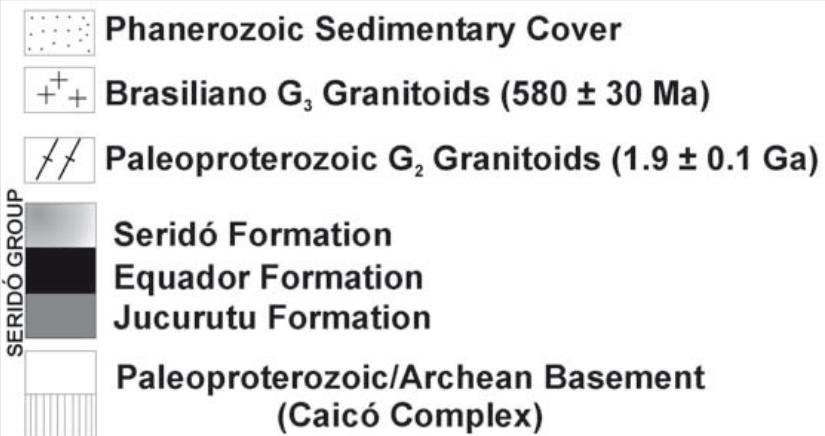
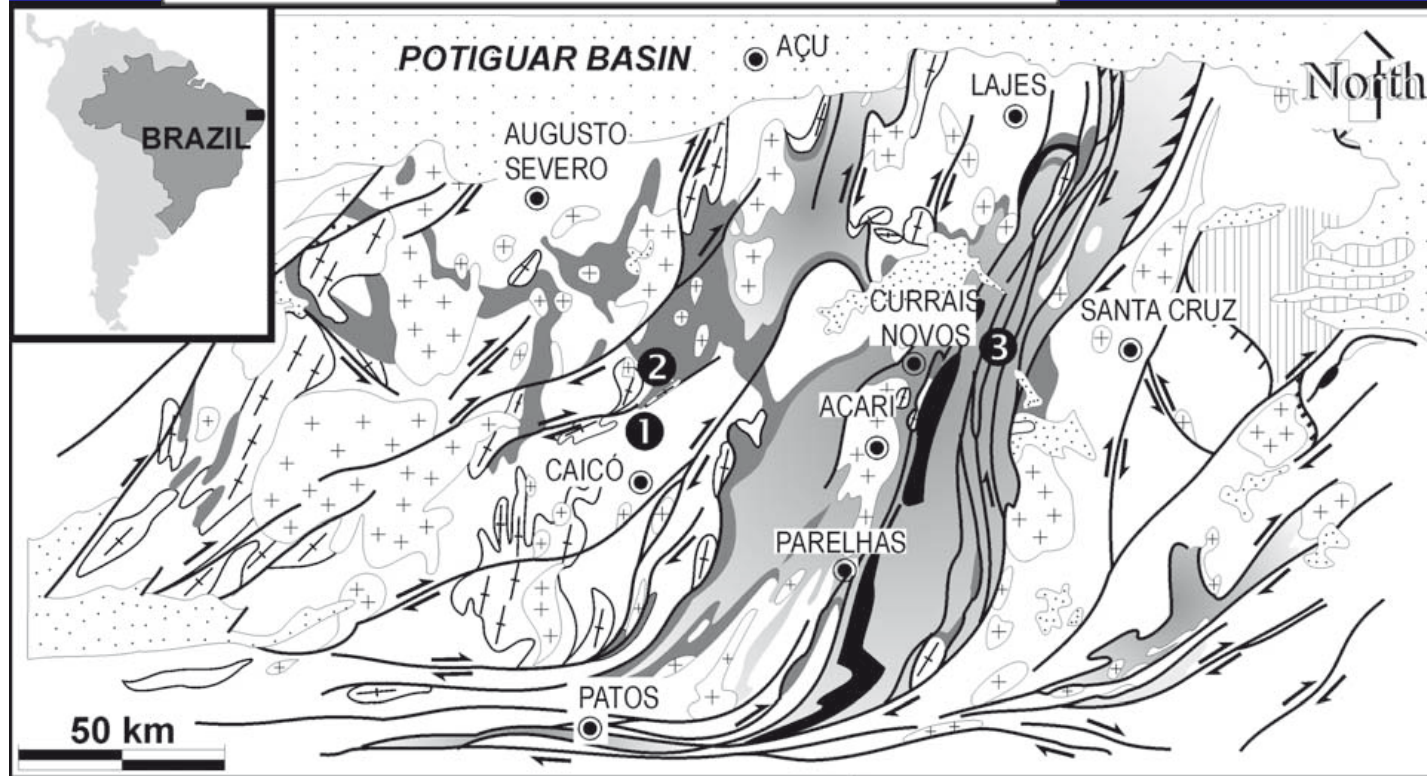
Major & secondary domains





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## Crusader Borborema gold deposit

Araújo et al. (2002)

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Shear-zone related, Neo-proterozoic high-metamorphic grade orogenic gold?

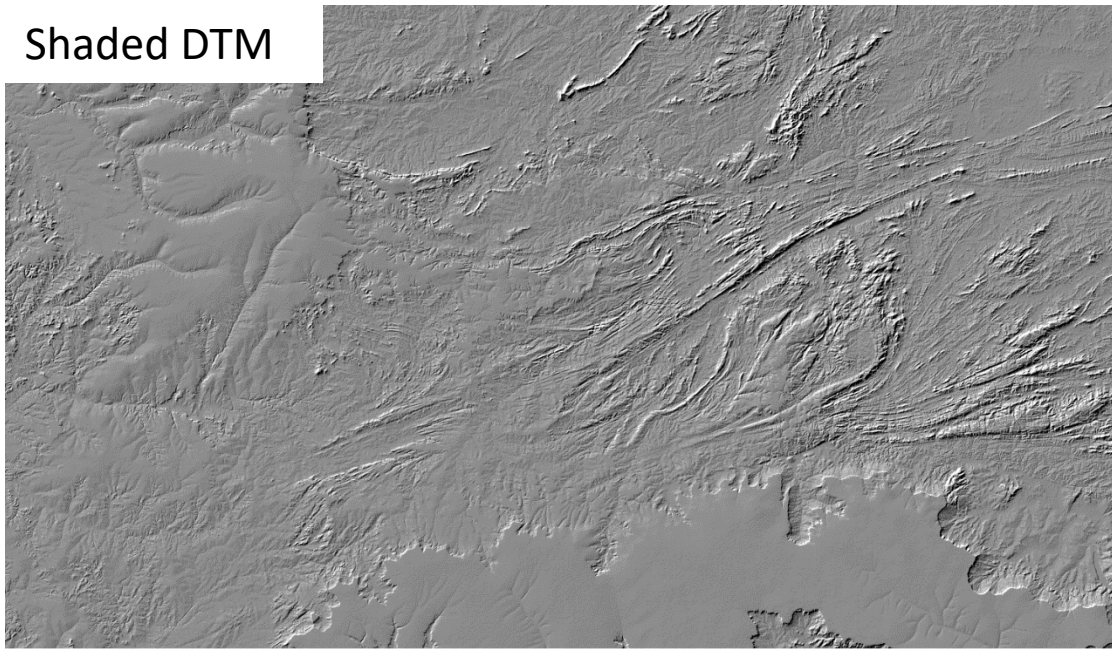
(Crusader Resources Borborema Gold Project ) Faixa Seridó



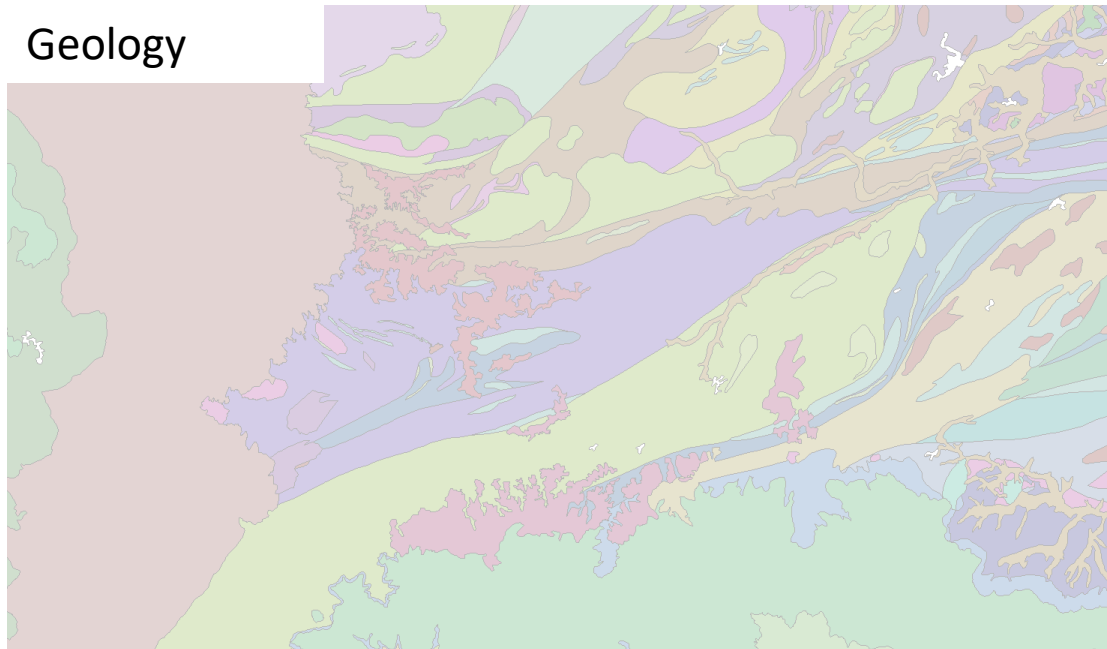
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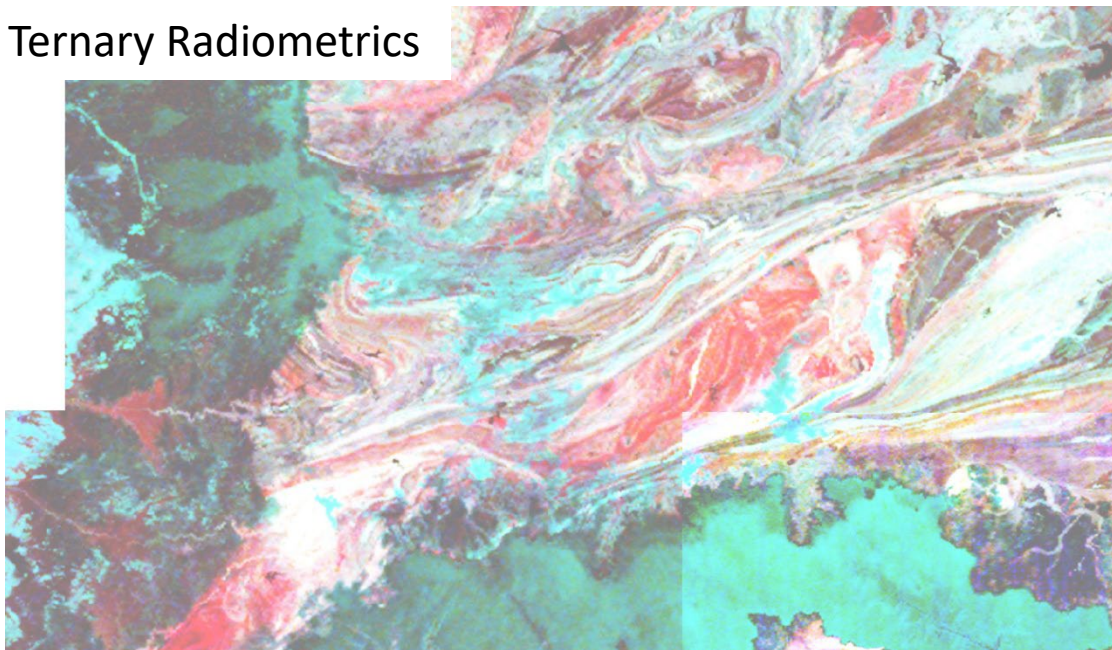
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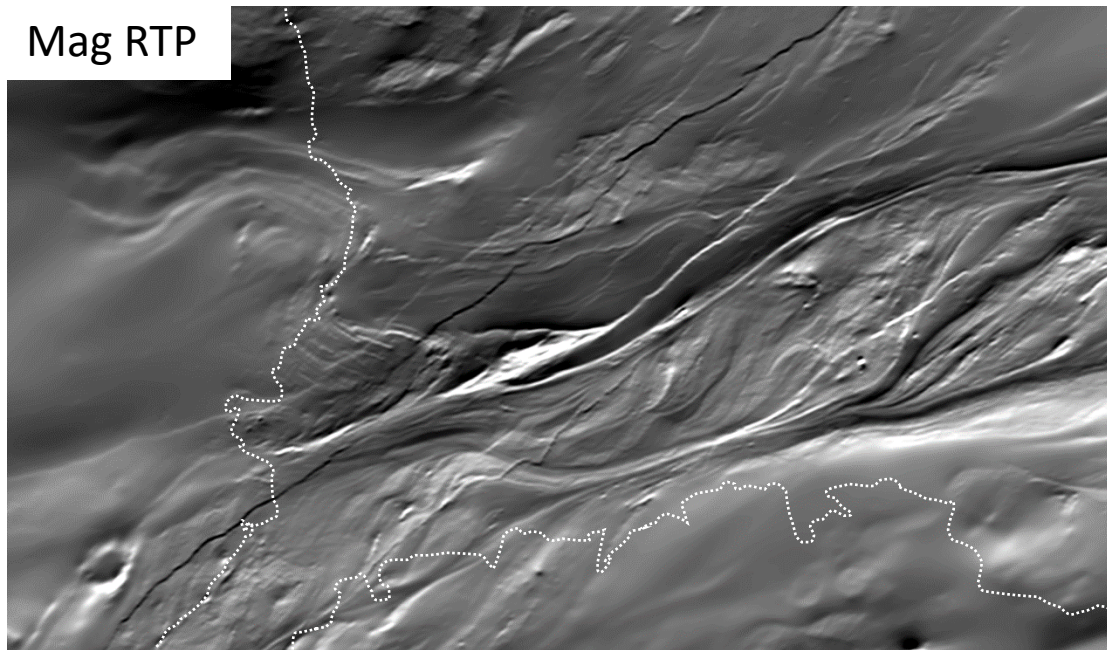
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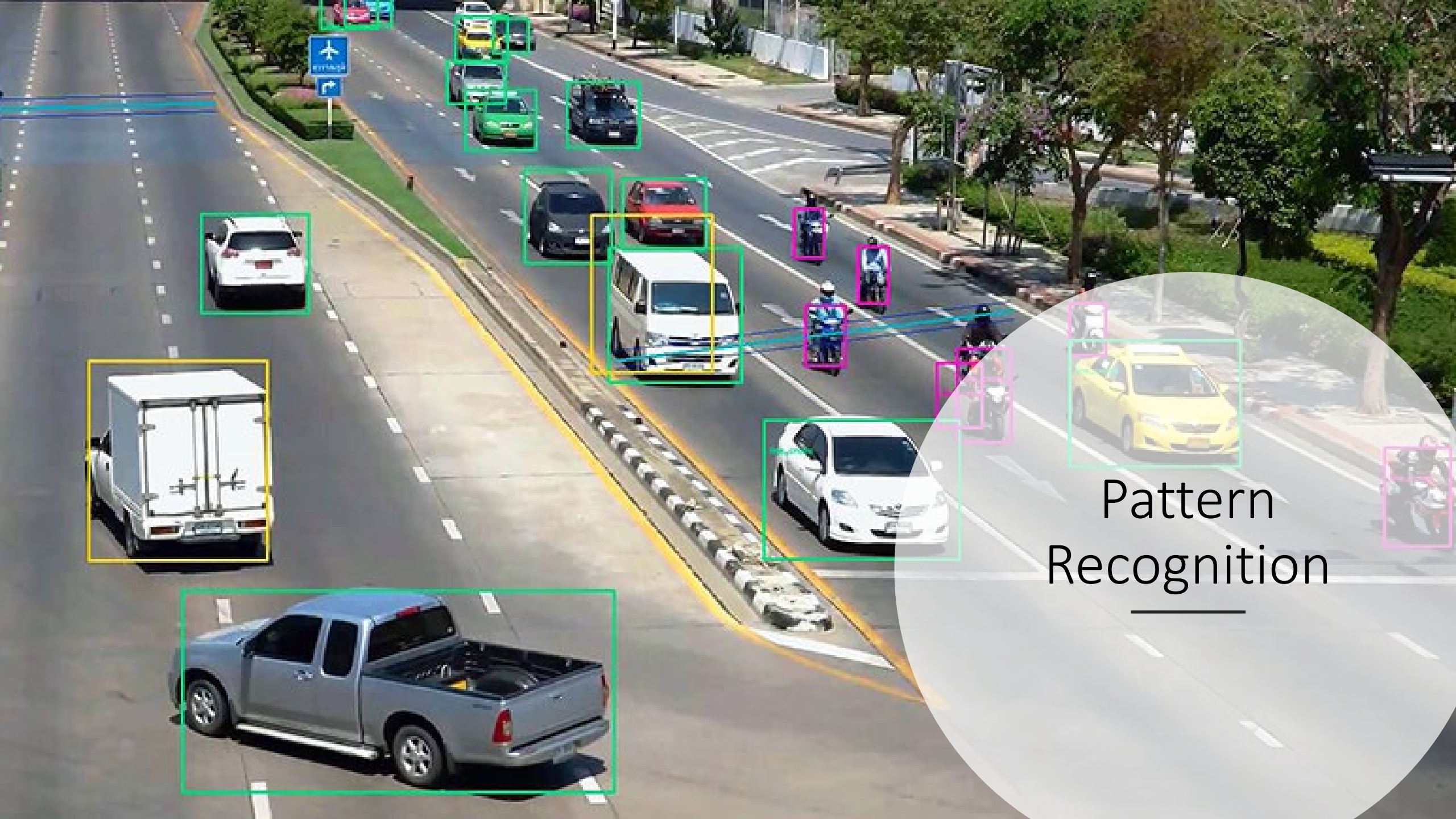
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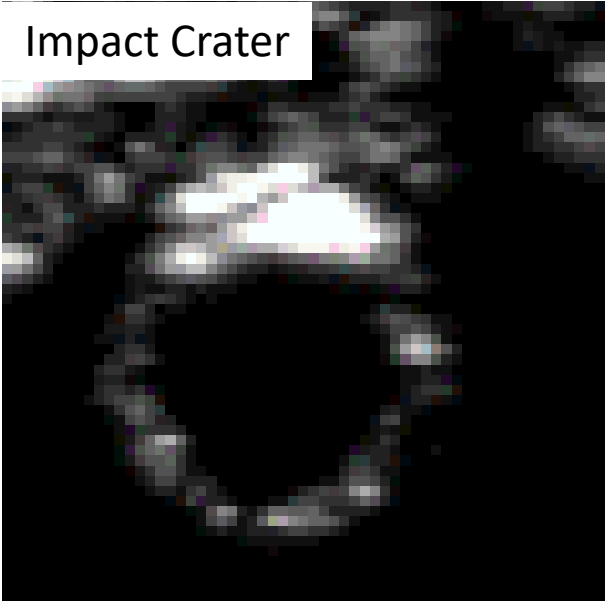




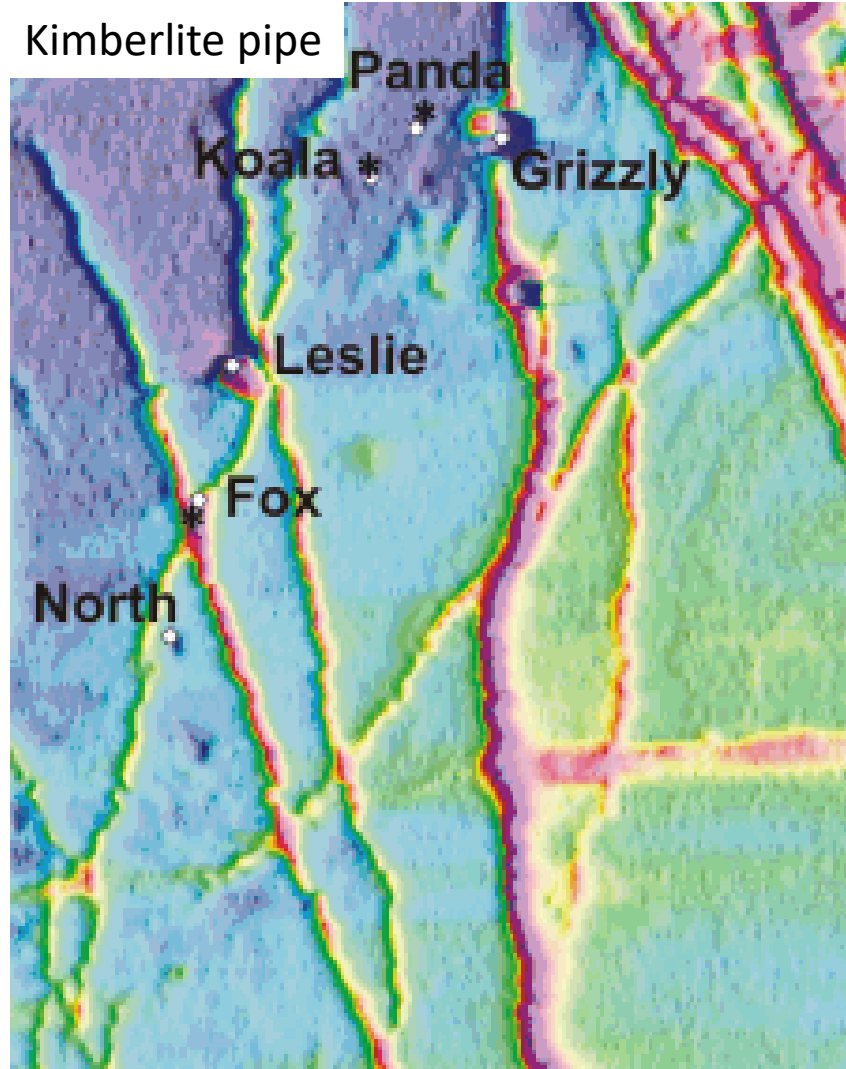
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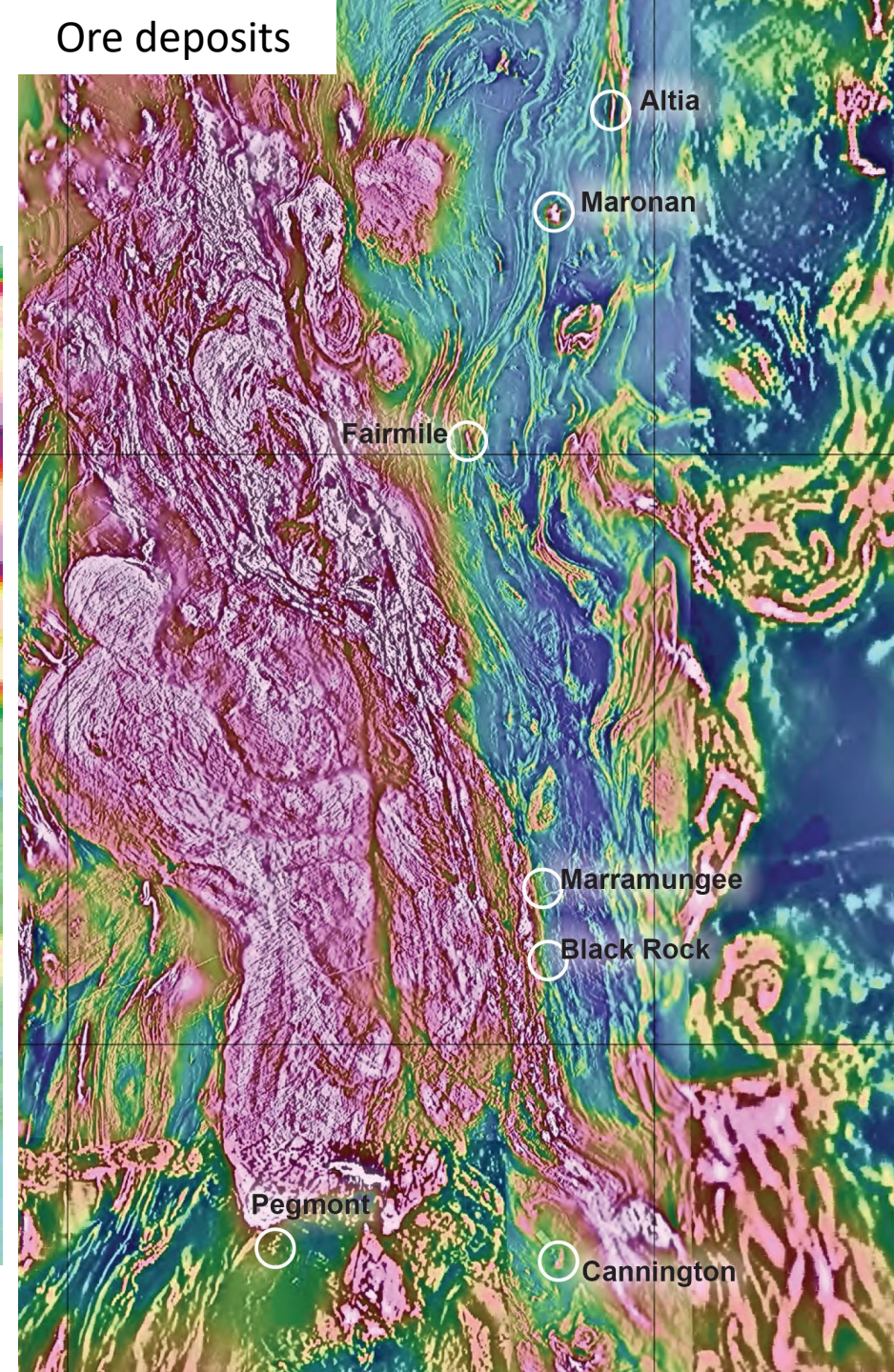
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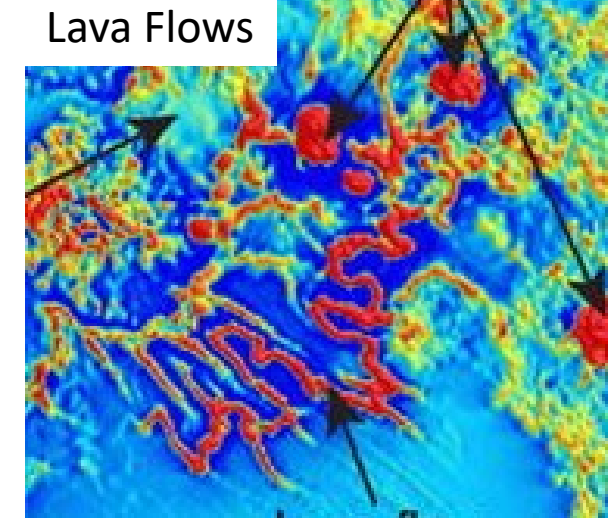
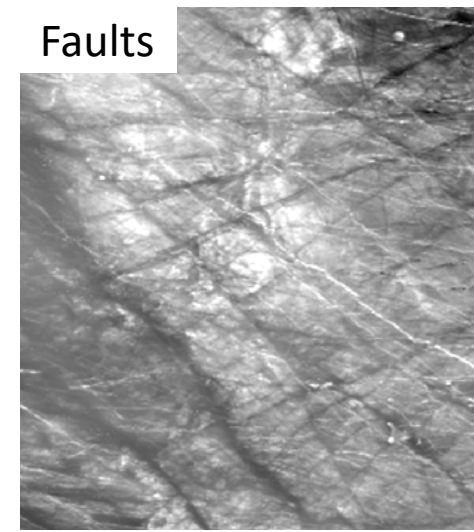
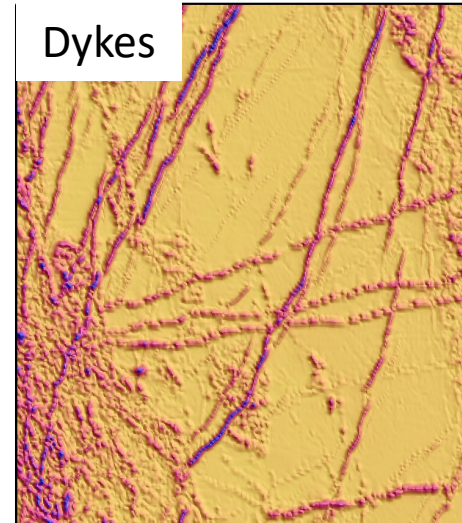
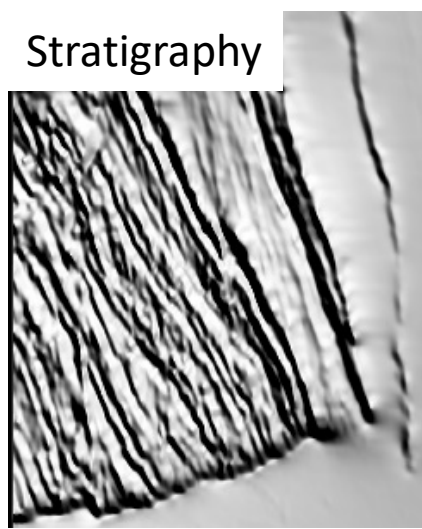
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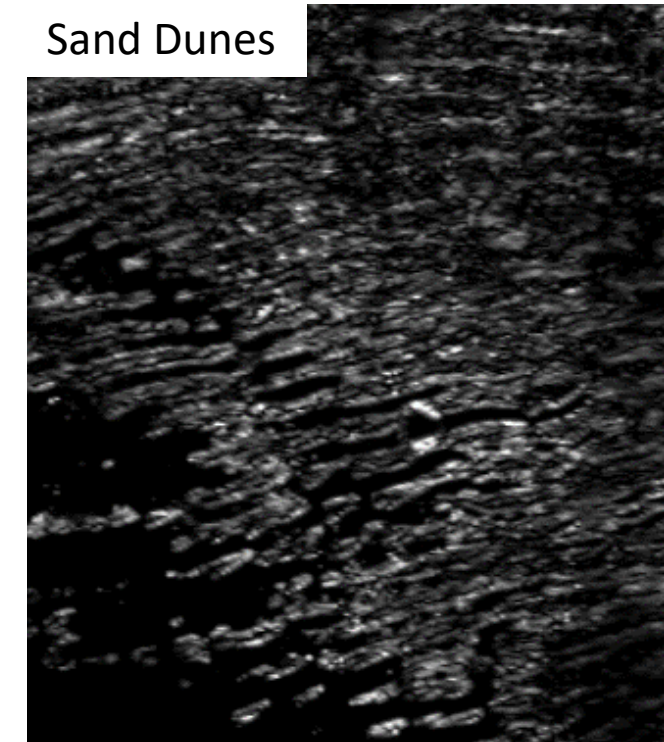
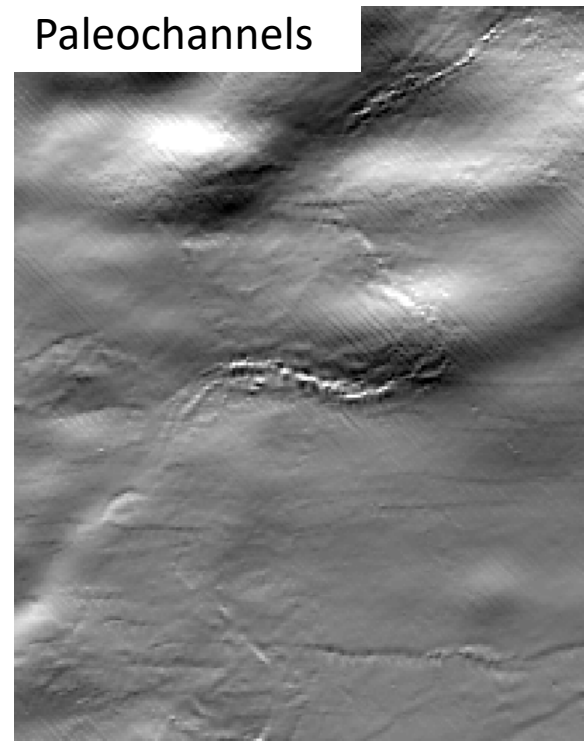
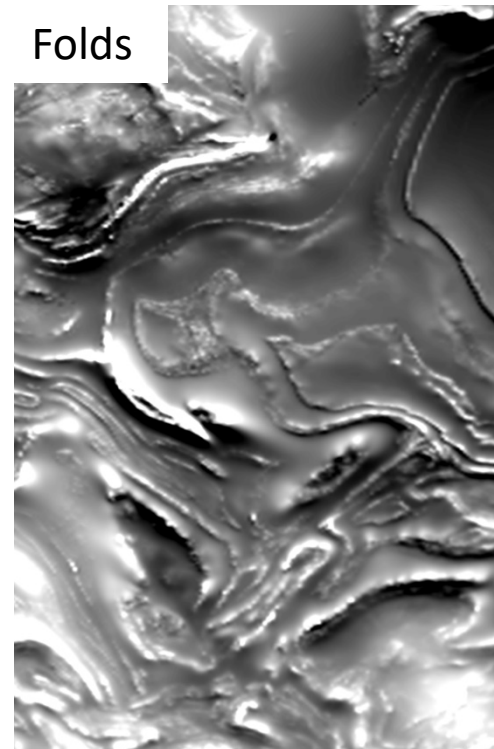
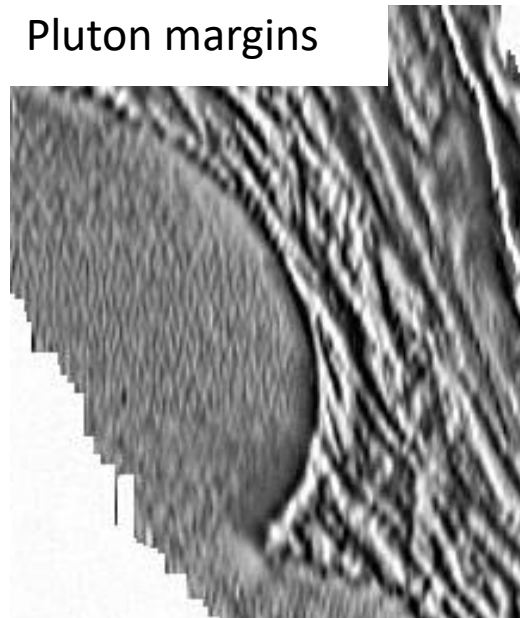
Ore deposits







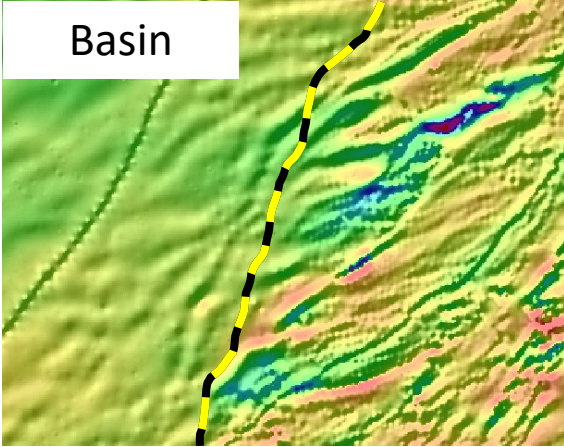
Single or multiple linear features



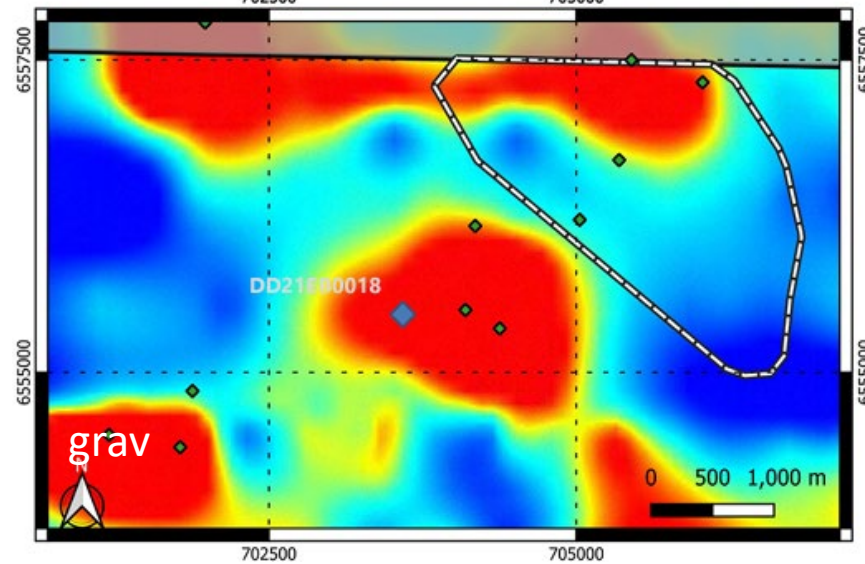
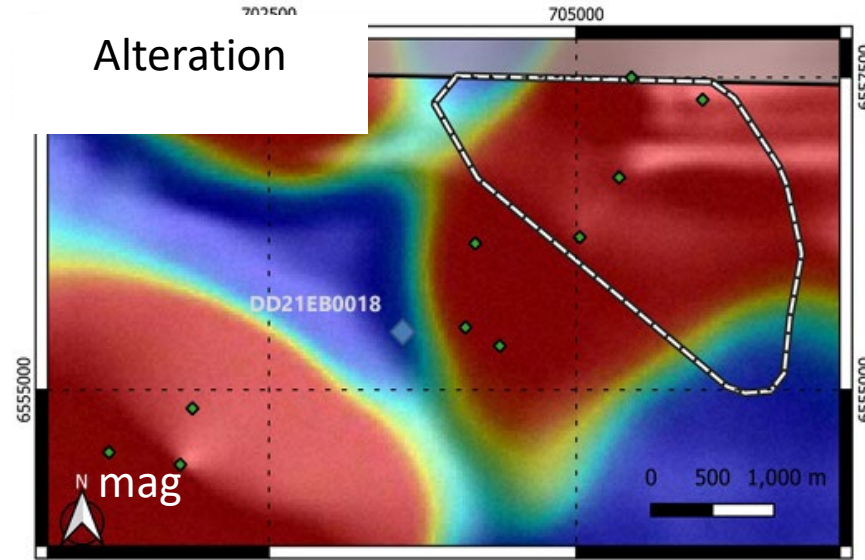


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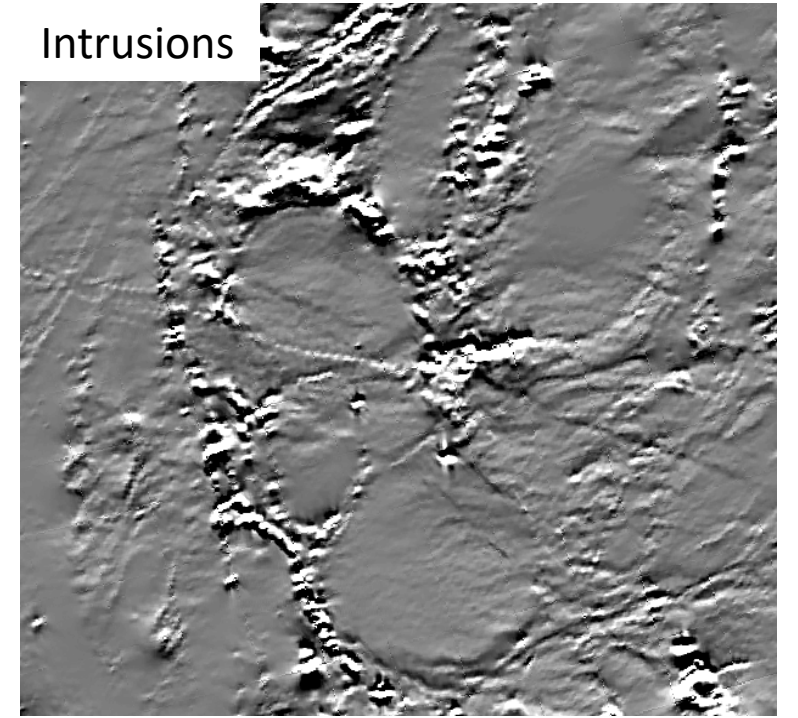
Basin



Alteration



Intrusions



Lithostratigraphic domains

