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Hydrocarbon Discoveries and Petroleum Systems in Greece

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H/C DISCOVERIES and HYDROCARBON SYSTEMS

The **answer** to the question whether or not Greece has any exploration and production potential for oil, is definitely **positive**. This because there are proven active petroleum systems in the alpine and Post-alpine basins of Western Greece, as well as, in the molassic and post-alpine tertiary basins of Eastern Greece, where source rocks, reservoirs, cap rocks and proper geological and migration timing **co exist**. The **active hydrocarbon seeps and shows** and hydrocarbon discoveries, found in both Western and Eastern Greece, attest to the existence of active hydrocarbon systems. Commercial exploitation of hydrocarbon accumulations in the Thracian Sea and in **analogues systems** to the ones of Greece, such as in Italy, Albania, Croatia, as well as discoveries in East Thrace in Turkey, all advocate to high hydrocarbon potential of the similar sedimentary basins of Greece.

ARE THE FUNDAMENTAL CONDITIONS OF HYDROCARBONS EXISTENCE IN GREECE IN EFFECT?

The Answer is YES

- **SOURCE ROCKS** (quantity, quality, maturity, migration) **OK**
- **RESERVOIR ROCKS** (porosity, permeability) **OK**
- **TRAPS** **OK**
- **SEAL ROCKS** **OK**
- **APPROPRIATE GEOLOGICAL TIME** **OK**

EXPLORATION ACTIVITIES IN GREECE

WELLS

INTERNATIONAL OIL COMPANIES	GREEK STATE + IFP	HELLENIC PETROLEUM	INTERNATIONAL OIL COMPANIES/ HELLENIC	PRINOS	TOTAL
1939-1974	1962-1967	1975-1995	1997-2002	1971-2009	
51	17	74 (1)	6	73	221(2)

(1) + Plus two (2) geothermal wells

(2) 80% offstructures or very shallow depths

SEISMIC PROGRAMS (in KM)

INTERNATIONAL OIL COMPANIES	HELLENIC PETROLEUM	INTERNATIONAL OIL COMPANIES/ HELLENIC	PRINOS	TOTAL
1939-1974	1975-2000	1997-2002	1971-2009	
12200	53550 + 1 3D	2100	7765 + 2 (3D)	75615

GREECE SENTIMENTARY BASINS,

Hydrocarbon Occurrences and infrastructures

Western
Greece
basins

Grevena basin

Western
Thrace basin

Prinos-East
Thassos basin

Thermaikos-
Epanomi basins

Main Tertiary
basins of
Eastern Greece



WESTERN GREECE

ALPINE

and

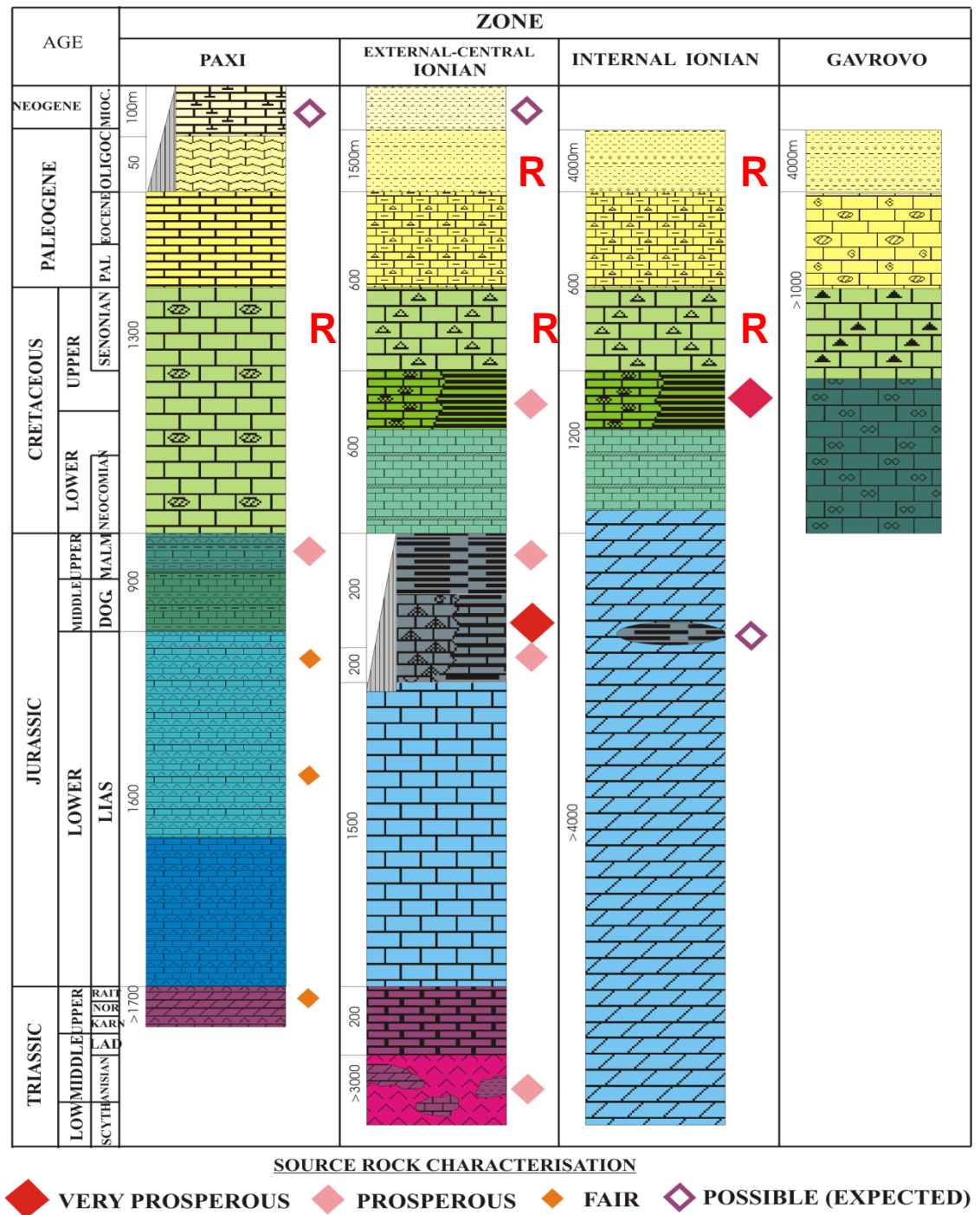
POST ALPINE BASINS

PETROLEUM SYSTEMS

Simplified lithostratigraphic columns and main source and reservoir rocks intervals, of the external geotectonic zones in Western Greece

◆ Source rocks

R Reservoir rocks



Oil Groups of Western Greece

GROUP	GEOTECTONIC ZONE	AREA	SOURCE ROCK	AGE	OILWINDOW
A (A1-A2)	CENTRAL IONIAN	EPIRUS (BOTSARA)	POSIDONIA BEDS	MIDDLE JURASSIC	3750-5800 m
B	CENTRAL IONIAN	TRIFOS KYLLINI W. KATAKOLO	VIGLA SHALES	LOWER CRETACEOUS	3450-5600 m (Internal Ionian)
C	CENTRAL IONIAN	DELVINAKI S. KATAKOLO ETOLIKO-1	TRIASSIC BRECCIAS	TRIASSIC	1000-3600 m
D1	PAXI	ZANTE	CLASTIC SEDIMENTS	MIOCENE	5800-7850 m
D2	GAVROVO	FILIATRA	EVAPORITES		
E	PAXI	PAXI ISLAND	APTICI SHALES	M-U JURASSIC	5600-7250 m

Reservoir rocks

- **Eocene and upper Cretaceous micritic limestone and thick bedded turbiditic limestone and breccias.**
- **Jurassic Dolomites in juxtaposition with Triassic Evaporites**
- **Shelf margin, chalky, rudistic and reefal limestone in Paxos zone**
- **Upper Miocene –Pliocene sands and sandstones in the post Alpine sediments**
- **Fractured and/or karstified Mesozoic limestones**
- **Matrix porosity and permeability are expected to be low**
- **Reservoir quality will be dependent on fracture intensity and in case of pre-existing erosion on Karstification .**

Seal Rocks

Ionian zone:

- Deep marine shales of the Oligocene flysch are effective seal of the traps.
- Miocene or Pliocene Marls and Clays which overlie unconformably the eroded Mesozoic carbonates.

Paxi zone:

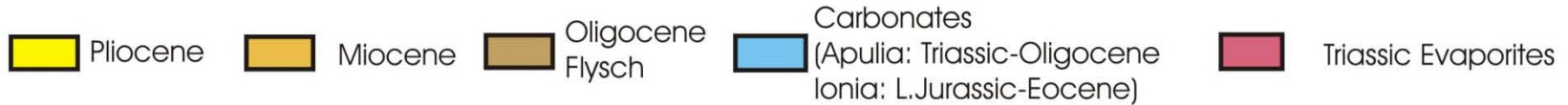
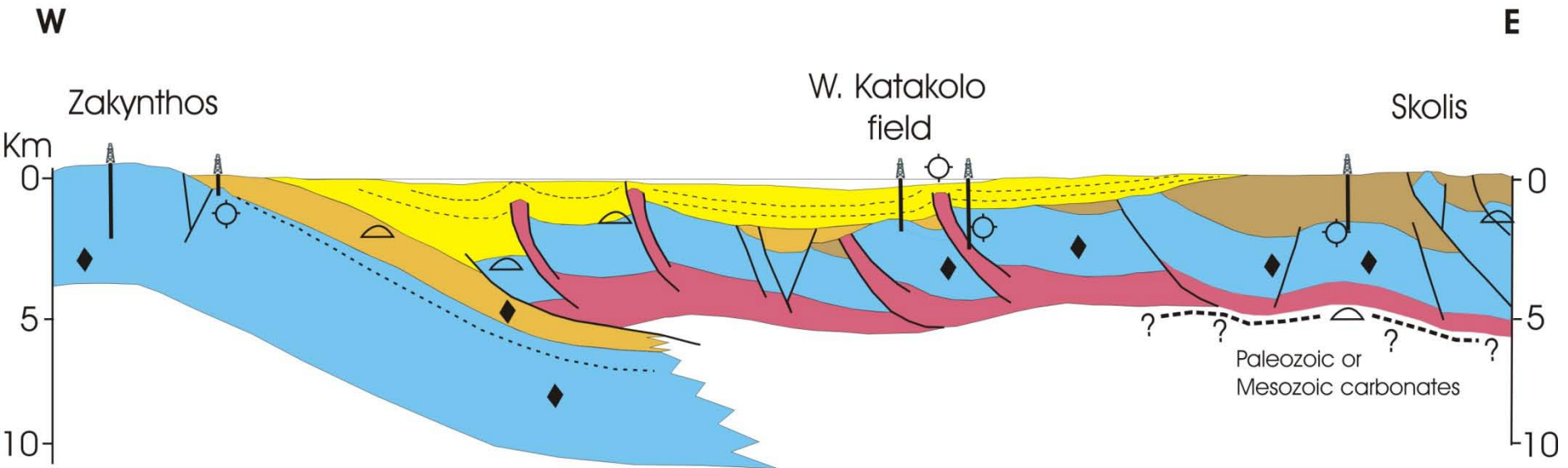
- Miocene – Lower Pliocene marine marls and clays and shaly- marly intervals in the Mesozoic sequence

Traps

- **Faulted anticlines and structures**
- **Eroded Paleo-highs (W. Katakolon)**
- **Traps related with diapiric structures**
- **Hanging wall and footwall anticlines**
- **Sub thrusts and Sub-evaporite traps**
- **Structures related to strike slip faults**
- **Reefs**

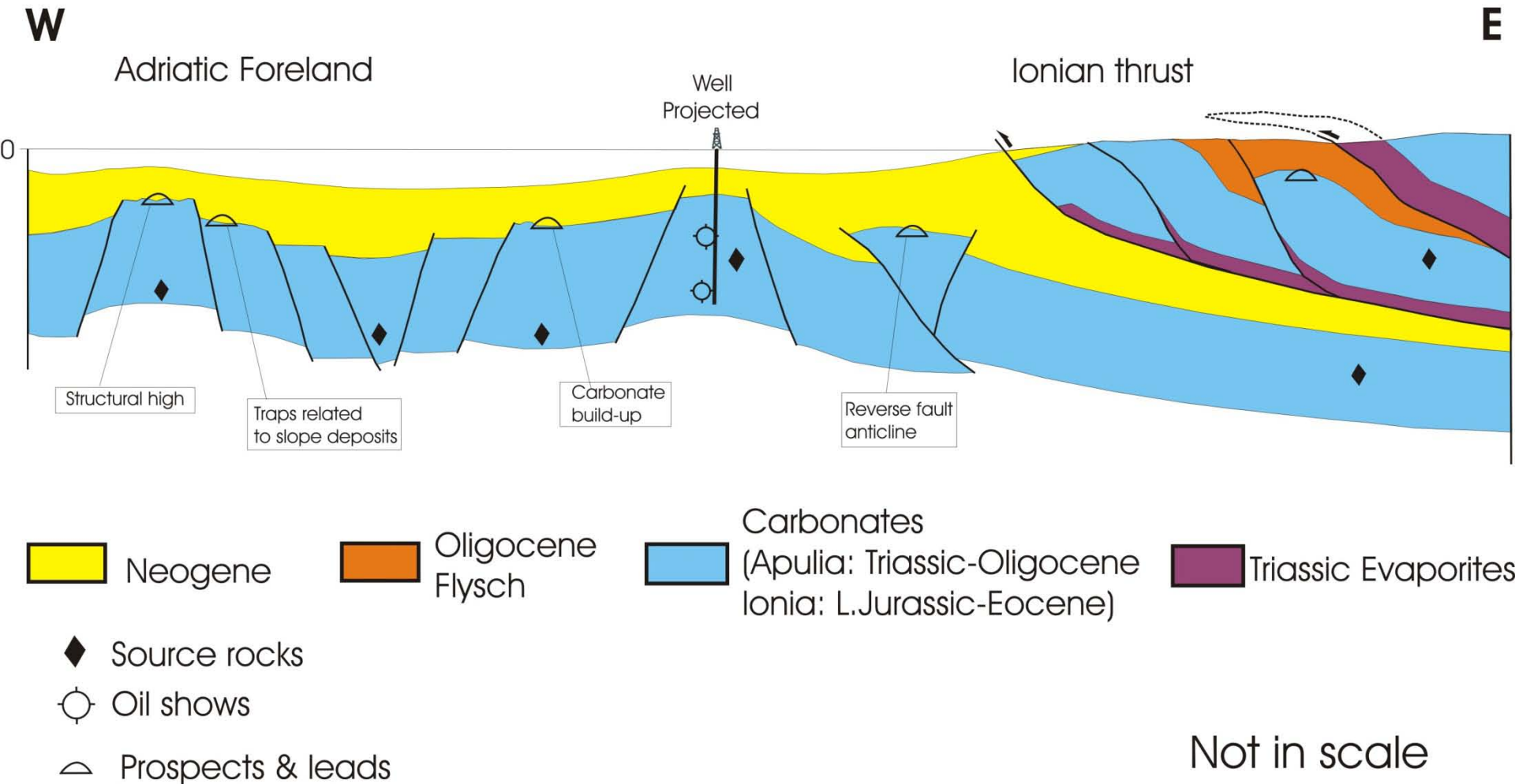
SW GREECE H/C PLAYS

SYNTHETIC CROSS SECTION



- ◆ Source rocks
- ⊙ Oil shows
- ◐ Prospects & leads

North Ionian Sea: Potential Plays



Timing of oil generation and migration

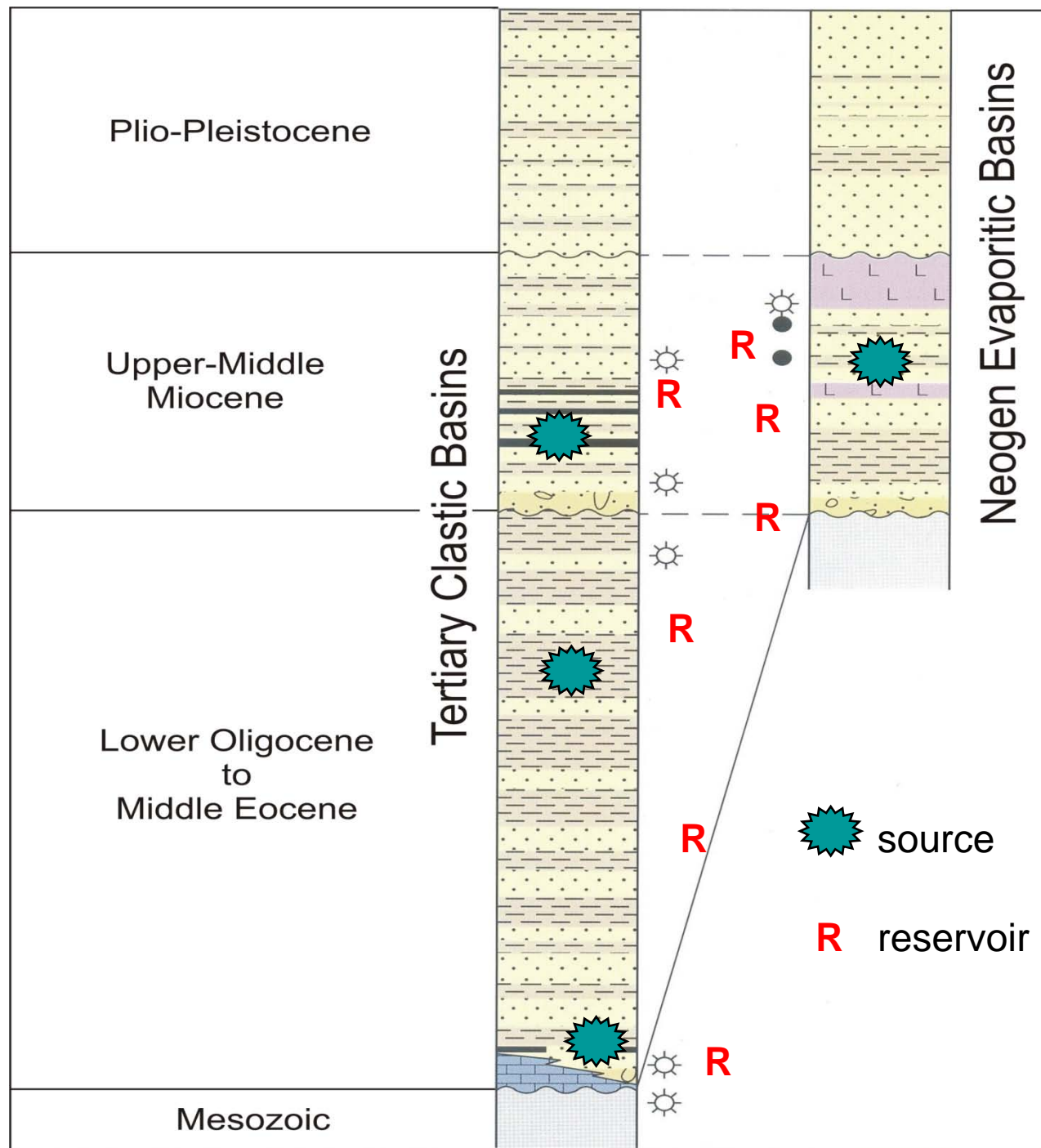
It should be mentioned that most of the oil generation took place after the main tectonic events of lower Miocene for the Ionian and early Pliocene for the Preapulian and there by after the set up of structures

EASTERN GREECE

TERTIARY BASINS

PETROLEUM SYSTEMS

Stratigraphy & source and reservoir Rocks Position of Eastern Tertiary Basins

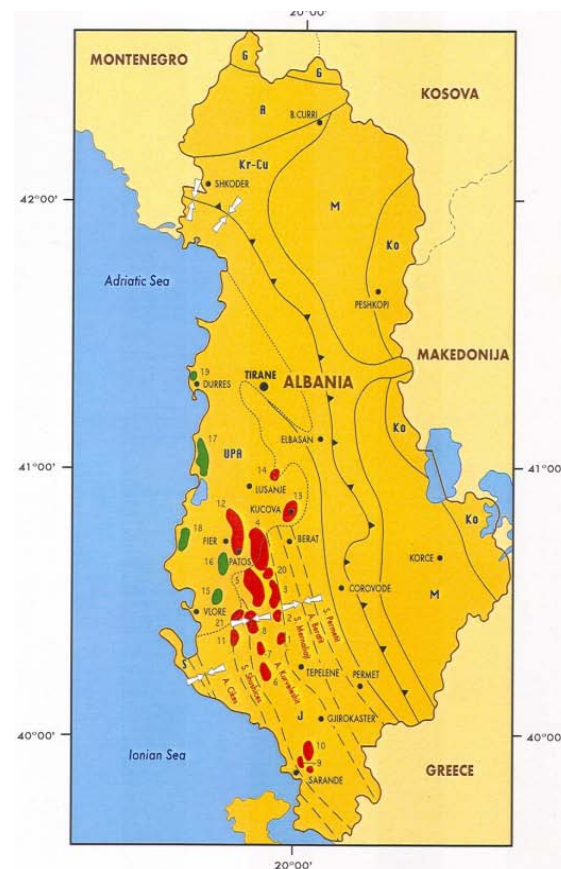


Analogs in...

**Albania and Italy,
Croatia and Montenegro**

HYDROCARBON OCCURRENCES IN ALBANIA (OIL & GAS FIELDS)

OIL/GAS FIELD	DISCOV. YEAR	RESERVOIR TYPE
Drashovica	1918	Pg3-flysch
Patosi	1927	N13-Sandst
Kucova	1928	N13-Sandst
Marinza	1957	N13-Sands
Visoka	1963	Cr-Pg2-limst
Gor-Kocul	1965	J2-Pg2-lims
Ba-Hekal 1966		Cr-Pg2-limst
C-Mollaj 1977		Cr-Pg2-limst
Finiq-Krane	1973	Cr-Pg2-limst
Delvina	1987	Cr-Pg2-limst
Divjaka	1963	N13t-Sandst
B-Kryev	1983	N2pl-Sandst
Frakulla	1965	N13-sandst
Povelca	1987	N13-sandst
Panaja	1988	N13-sandst
Durresi	1986	N13-sandst
Adriatik-4 1994		N13-sandst
Shpiragu	2001	Cr-Pg2-limst



TECTONIC ZONES

UPR	PERI ADRIATIC DEPRESSION
S	SAZANI ZONE
J	JONIAN ZONE
K	KRUJA ZONE
Kr-Cu	KRASTA CUKALI ZONE
A	ALBANIAN ALPS
M	MIRDITA ZONE
Ko	KORABI ZONE
G	GASHI ZONE

OIL & GAS FIELDS

1 - Karbunara (Cr₂Pg_{1,2}); 2 - Hekali (Cr₂Pg_{1,2}); 3 - Ballshi (Cr₂Pg_{1,2}); 4 - Patosi-Verbasi (Cr₂Pg_{1,2}); 5 - Mollaj-Cakran-Kreshpan (Cr₁-Cr₂Pg_{1,2}N₁²); 6 - Amonice (Cr₂Pg_{1,2}); 7 - Gernec (Cr₂Pg_{1,2}); 8 - Gorisht-Kocul (J-Cr₁-Cr₂Pg_{1,2}Pg₃^{1,2}); 9 - Finiq-Krane (Cr₂Pg_{1,2}); 10 - Delvina (Cr₂Pg_{1,2}); 11 - Drashovica (Pg₃^{1,2}); 12 - Patos-Marinze-Bubullima (N₁²-Suites Bubullima, Marinze, Driza, Gorani); 13 - Kucove-Arrez (N₁²-N13-Suites Driza, Gorani, Kucova, Polovina); 14 - Pekisht-Murriz-Rase (N₁²)

GAS FIELDS

15 - Panaja (N₁²); 16 - Frakull (N₁²N₁³); 17 - Divjake-Ballaj-Kryevidh (N₁²-N2-Suite Helmesi); 18 - Povelca (N₁²); 19 - Durresi (N₁²)

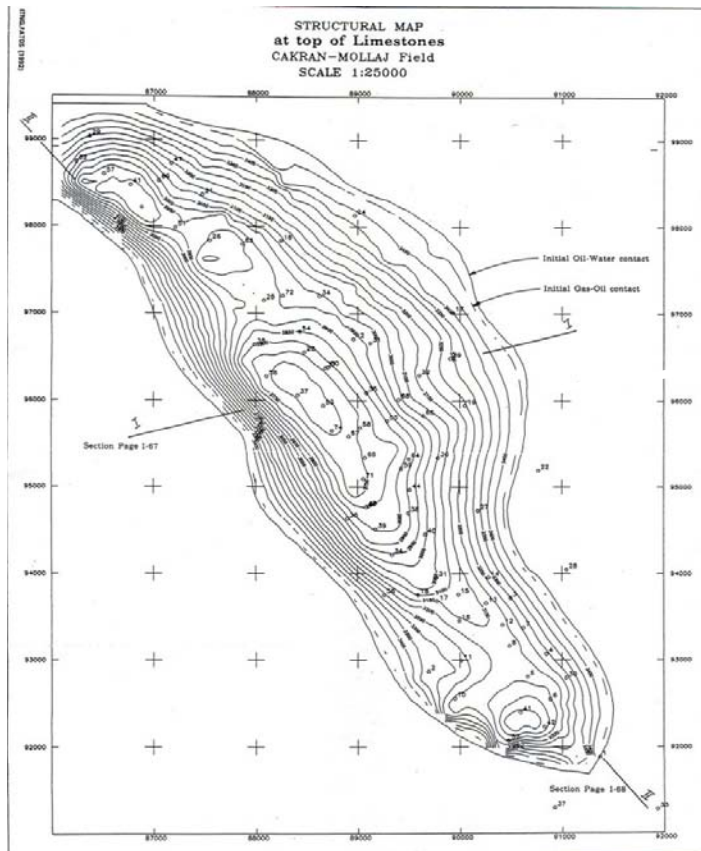
TARSAND FIELDS

20 - Kasnice-Patos; Treblove-Selenice

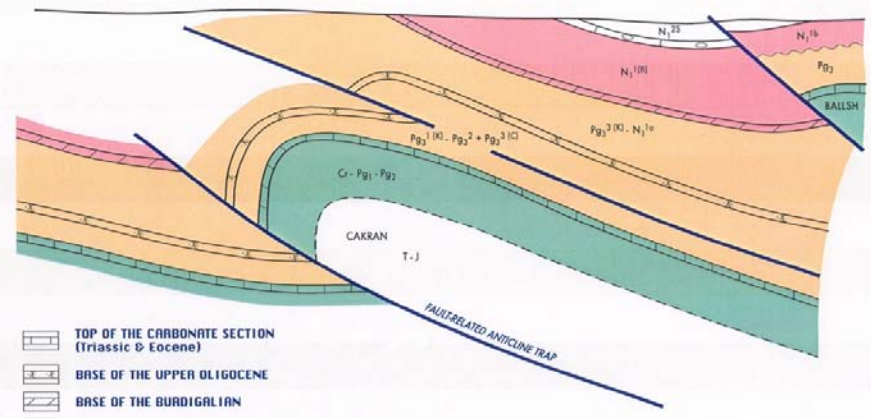
HYDROCARBON OCCURRENCES IN ALBANIA (OIL & GAS FIELDS)

CAKANI OIL FIELD

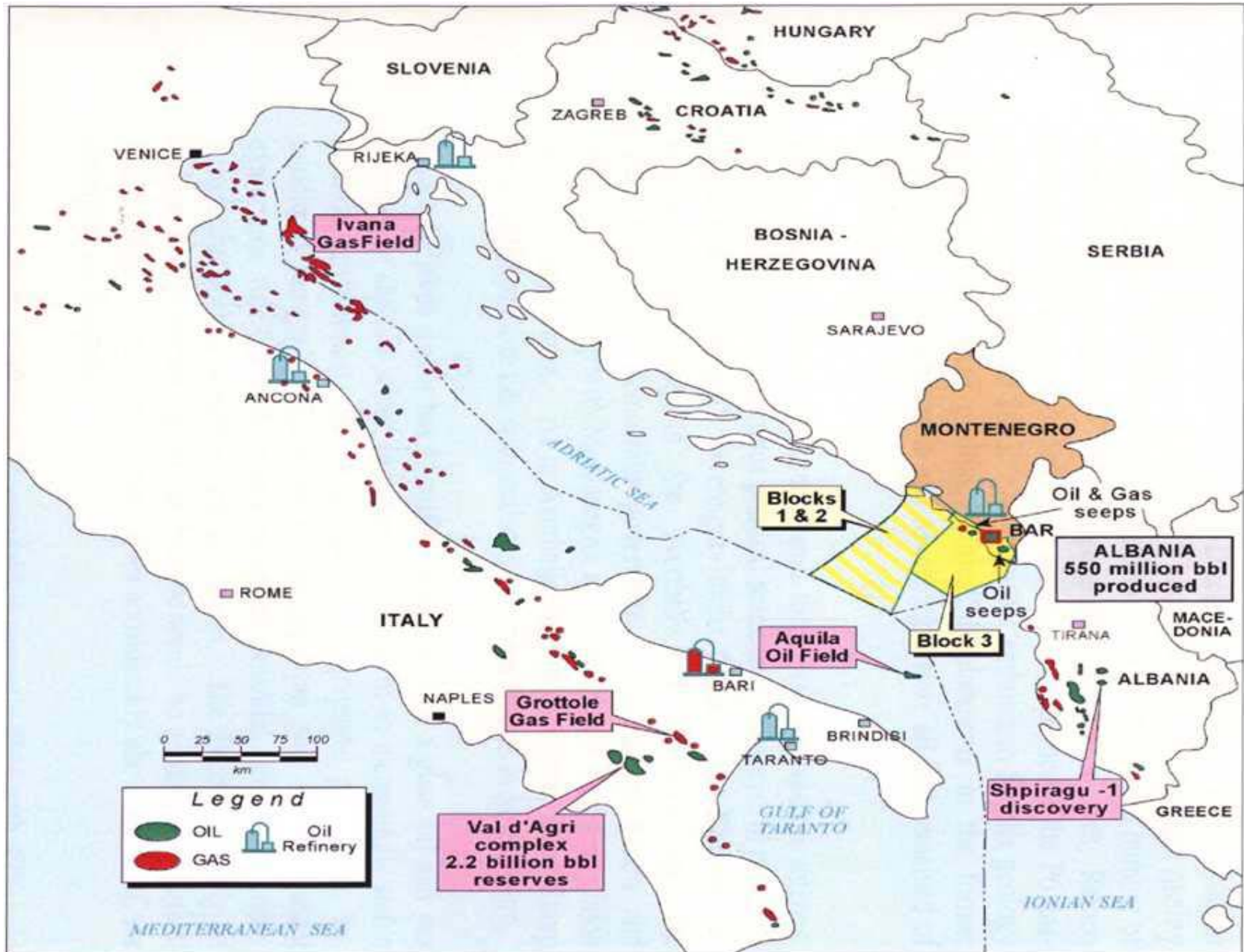
6 km West of Ballshi town

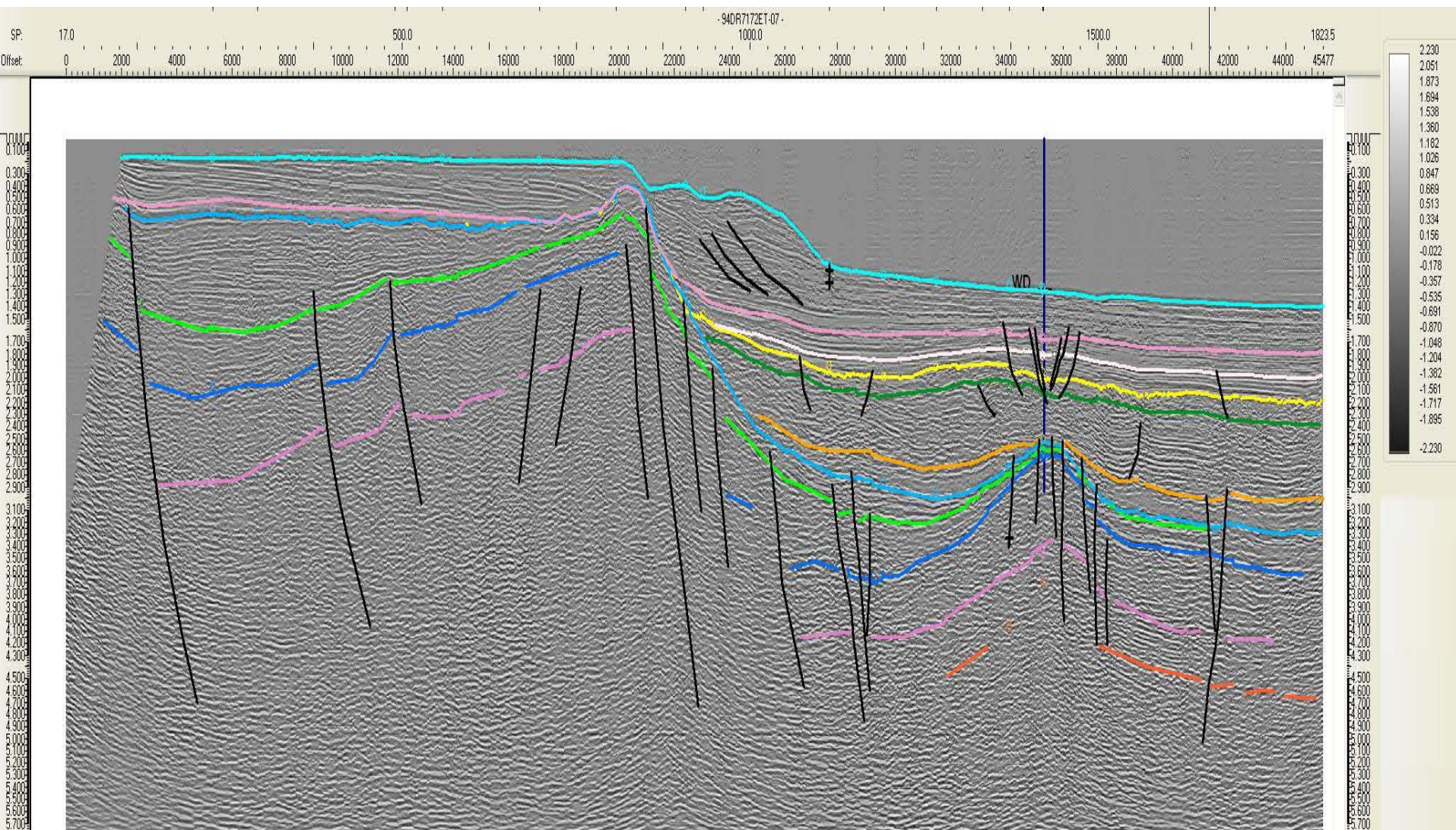


Schematic Geological Cross-Section of Cakran Oil Field



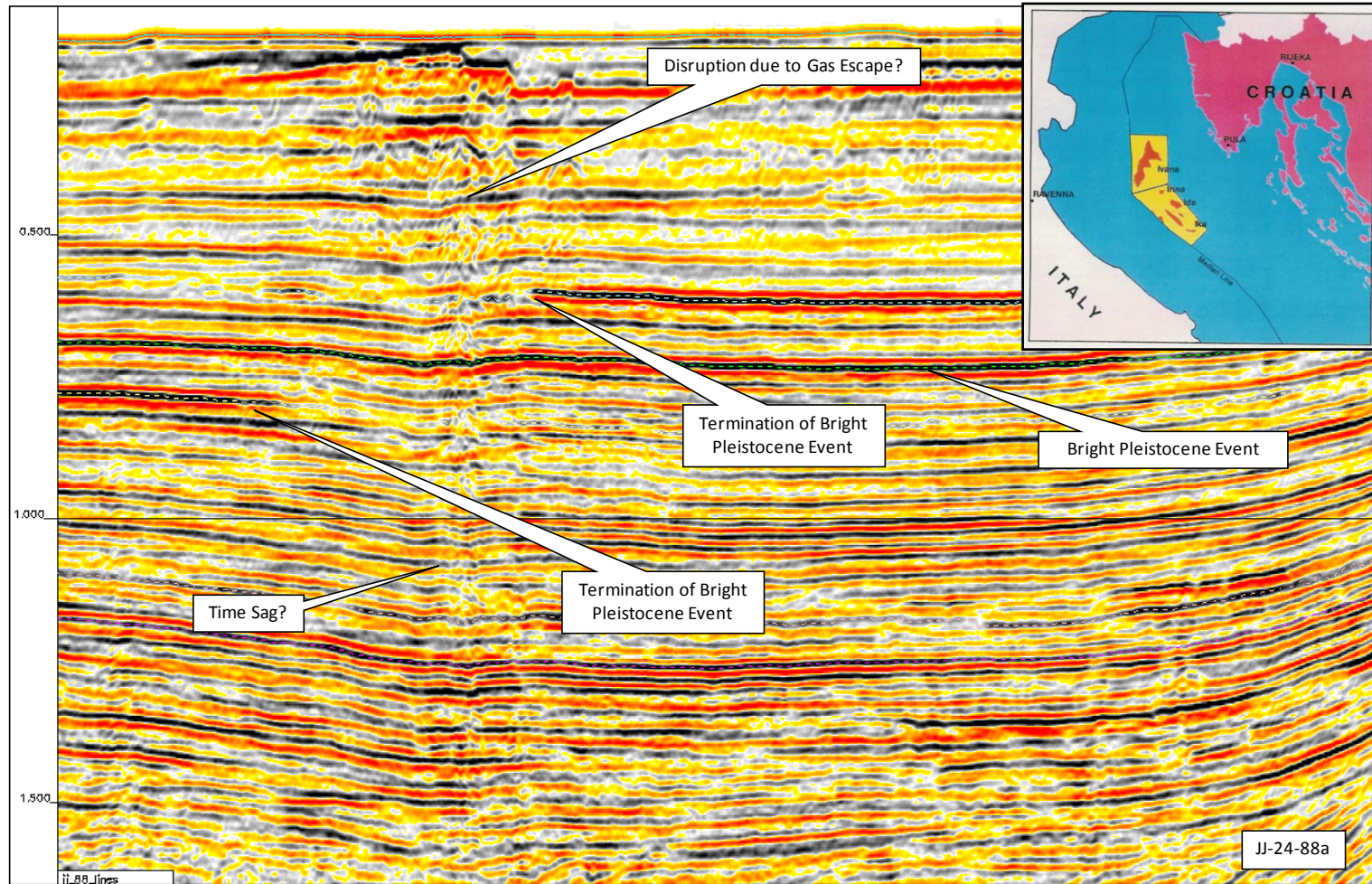
H/C Discoveries in Italy, Albania and Croatia



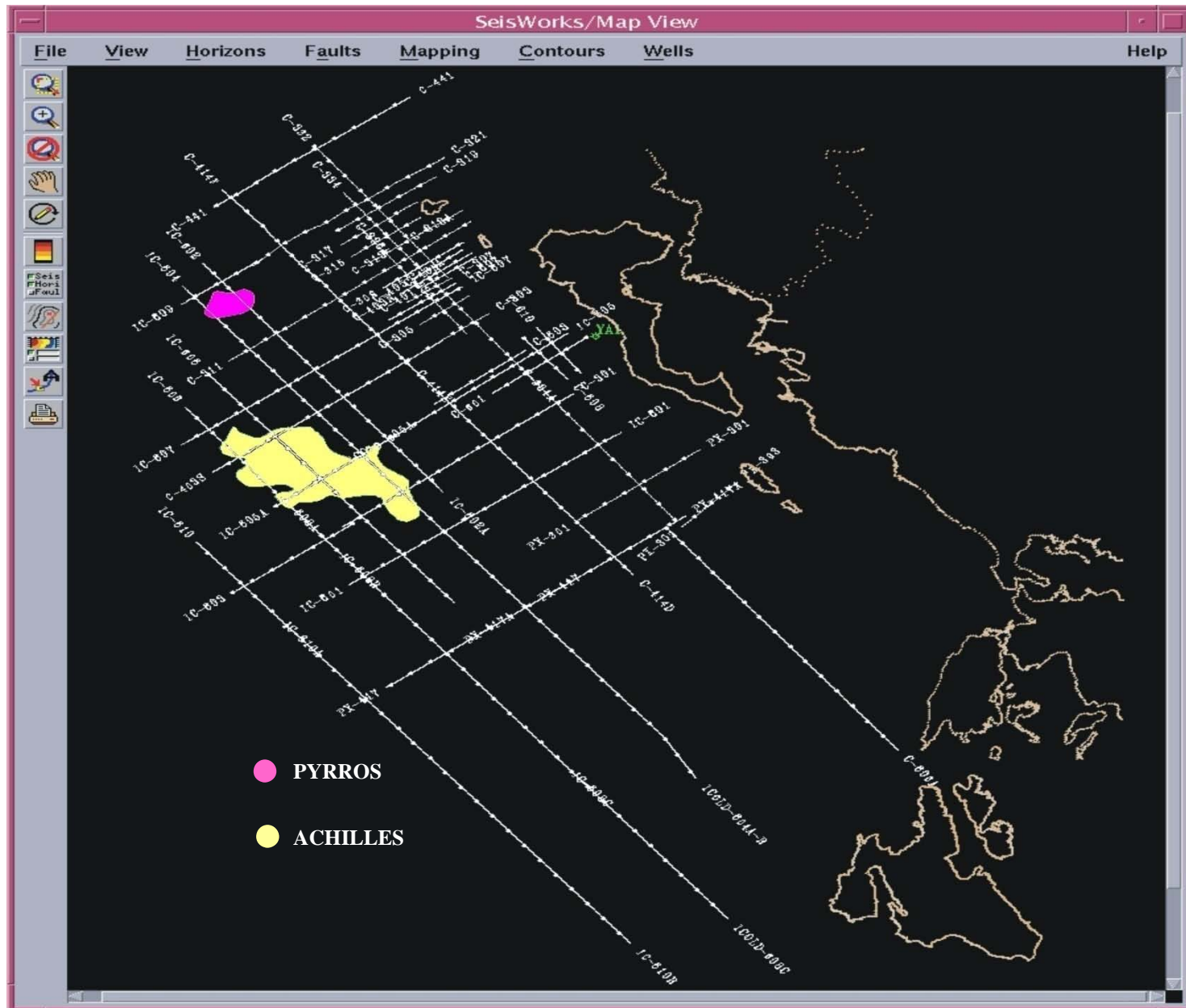


Rovesti-1 -Discovery

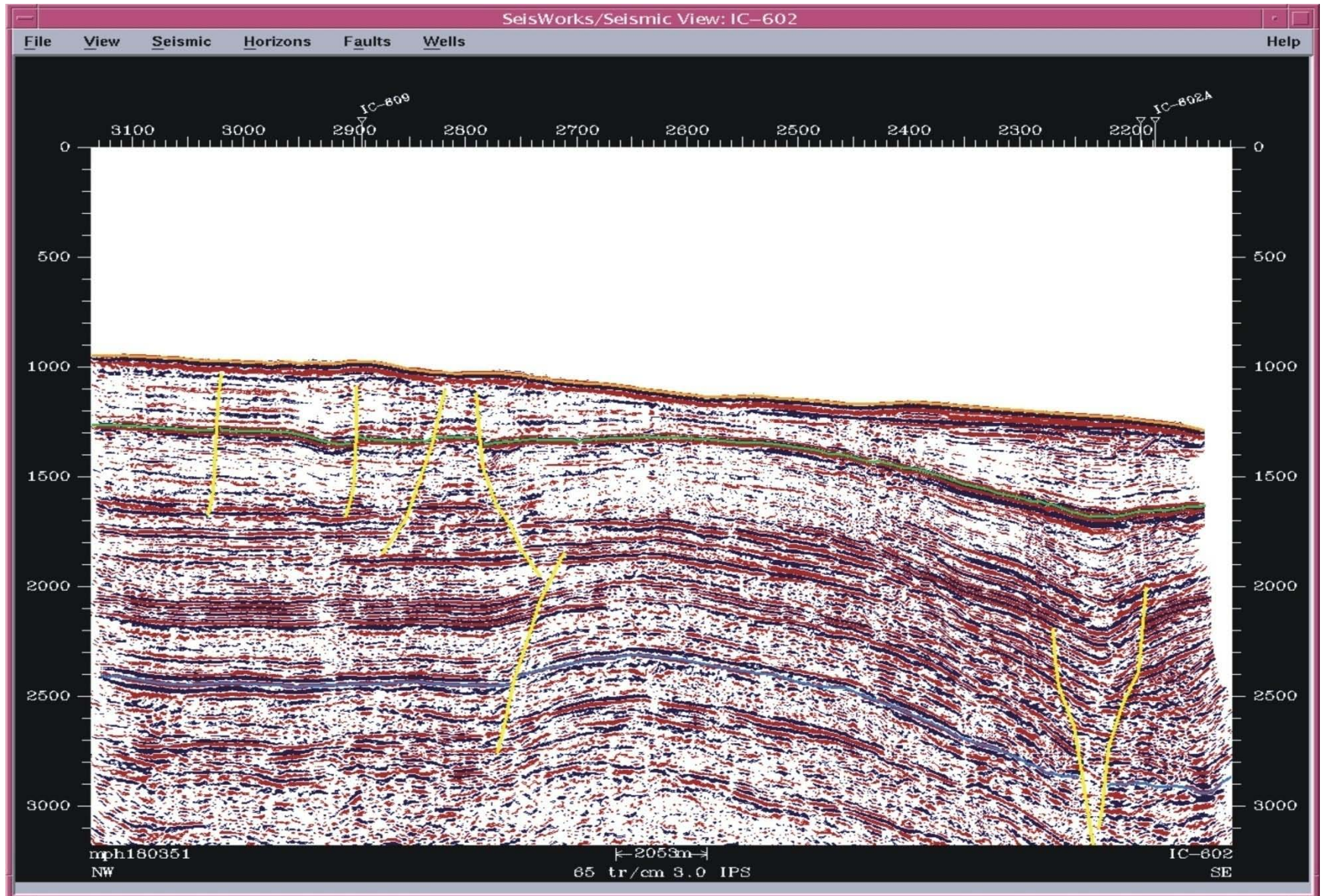
Ivana Field, Croatia



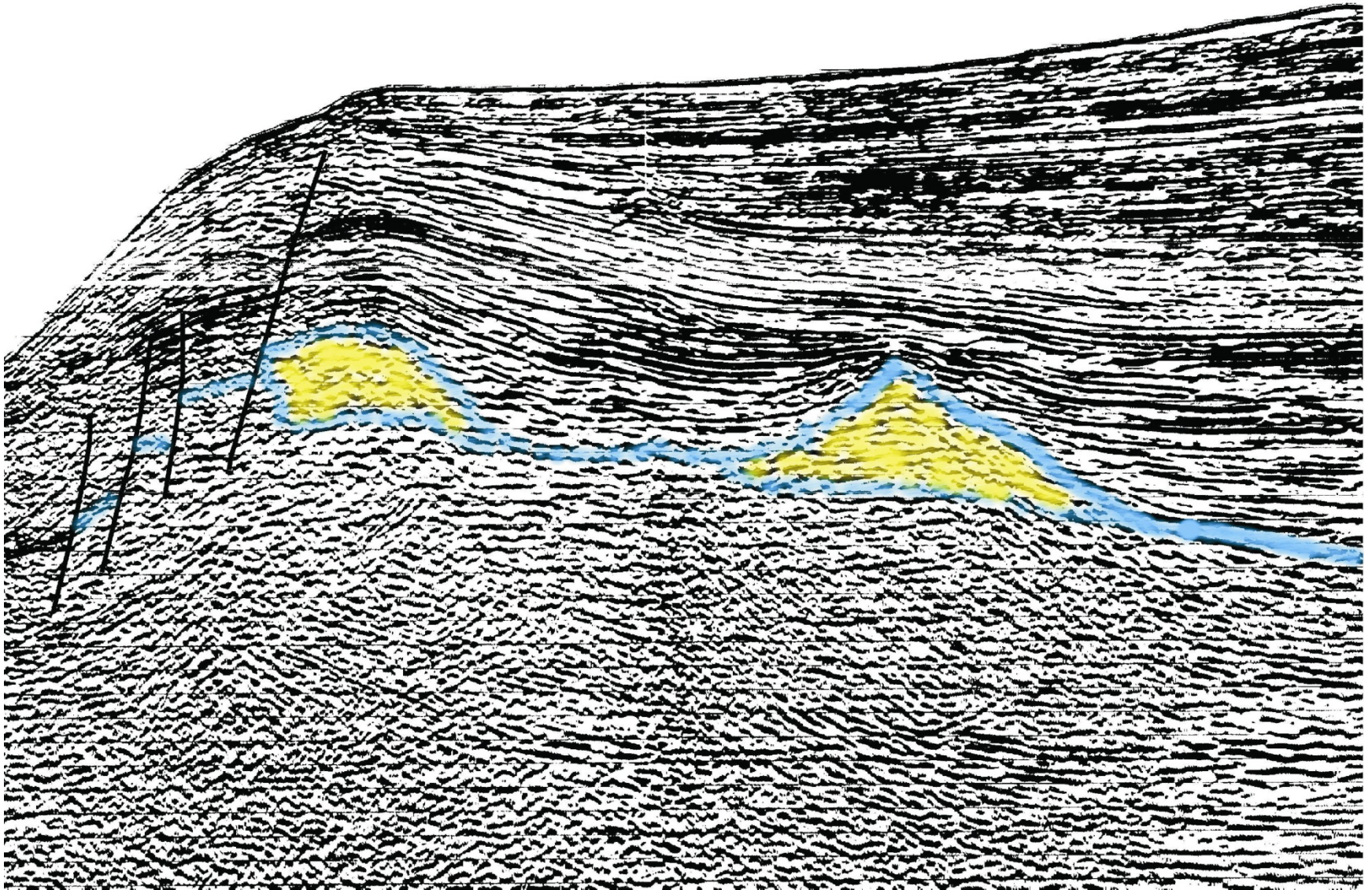
Prospects



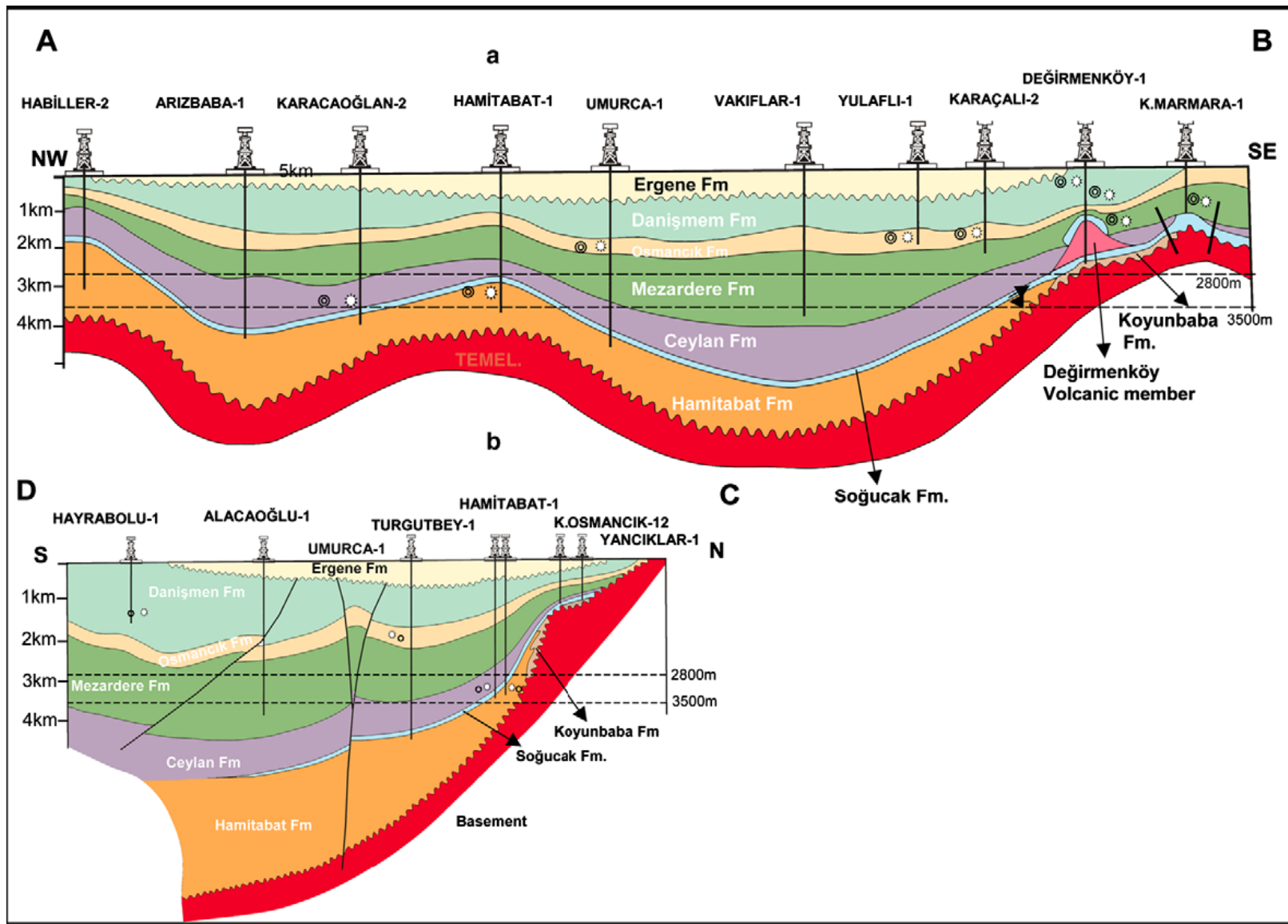
Faulted Block (possible “paleo-high”) N-S directed seismic line



West Lefkas - Reefal build-ups







HELLAS E&P

HYDROCARBON

SHOWS

Loutra Kyllinis

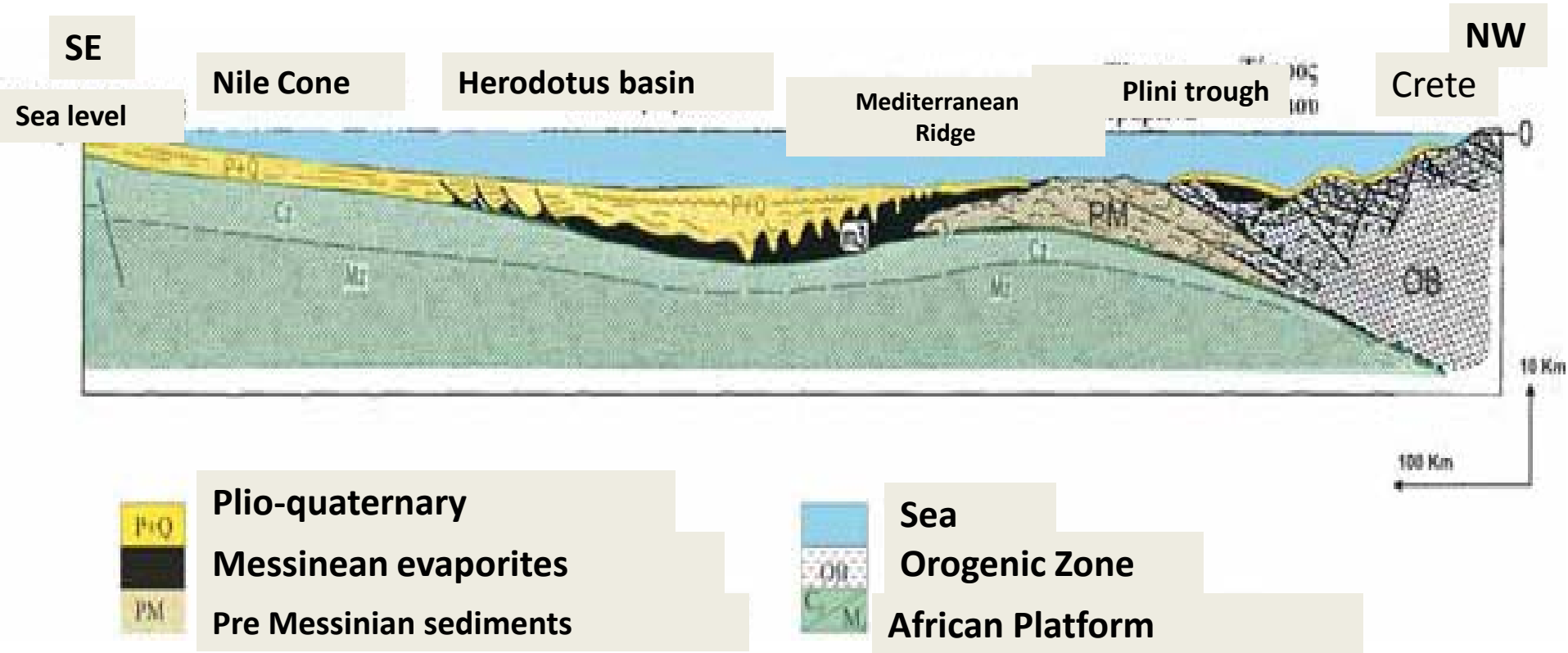


South Crete

Deep offshore areas

Geological Cross Section CRETE-NORTH EGYPT (Nile Cone)

Herodotus and Plinius Basins



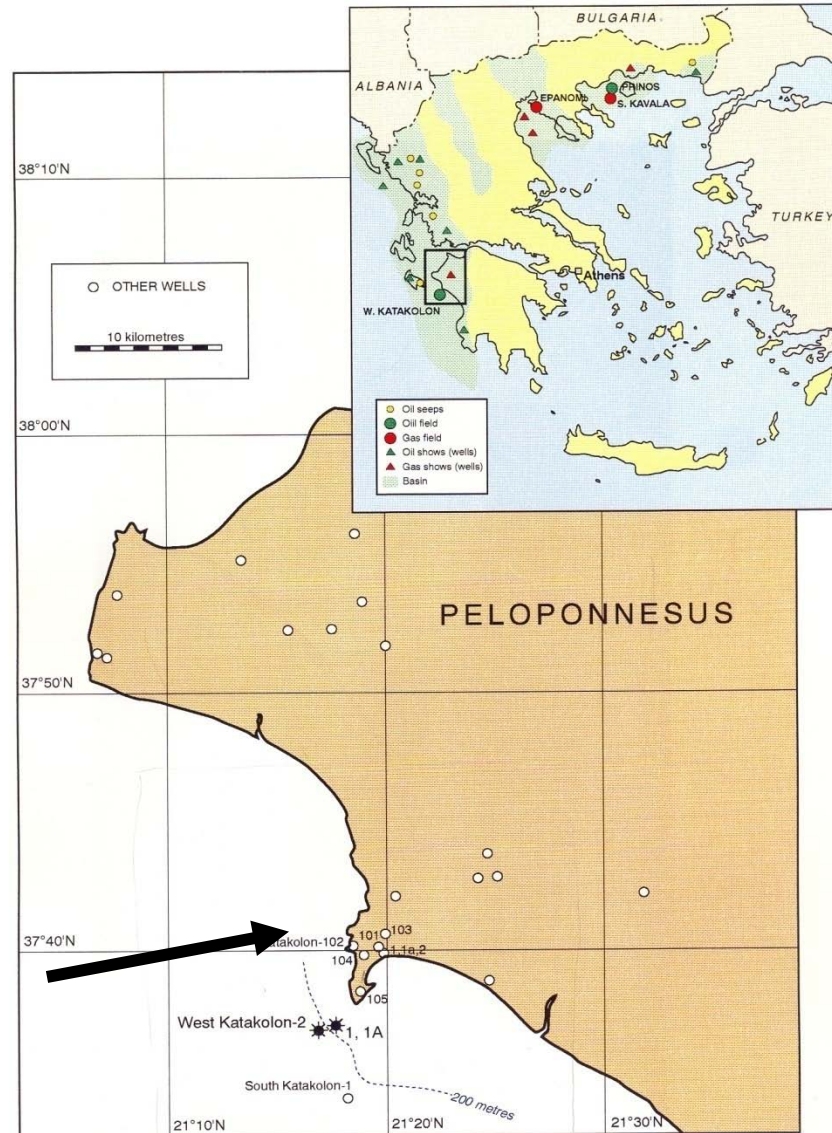
GREEK
H/C
DISCOVERIES

GR: HYDROCARBON FIELDS & DISCOVERIES

- **PRINOS (oil field) Thracian Sea**
 - **SOUTH KAVALA (gas field) - Thracian Sea**
 - **NORTH PRINOS (oil field)-Thracian Sea**
 - **EPSILON (oil field)- Thracian Sea**
- EPANOMI (gas field)- Chalkidiki**
- **WEST KATAKOLON (oil field)- Ionian Sea**
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- **ALYKES(Asphalt discovery) – Zakynthos**
 - **Athos (oil discovery)- Thracian Sea**
 - **AMMODIS (Heavy Oil Discovery)- Thracian Sea**
 - **EAST THASSOS (Heavy Oil Discovery)-Thracian Sea**
 - **Interesting biogenic gas accumulations were discovered while drilling Neogene layers.**
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- **More than 200 oil /gas shows on the surface or in wells**
 - **11 working petroleum systems Offshore and Onshore**

OFFSHORE WEST KATAKOLON FIELD

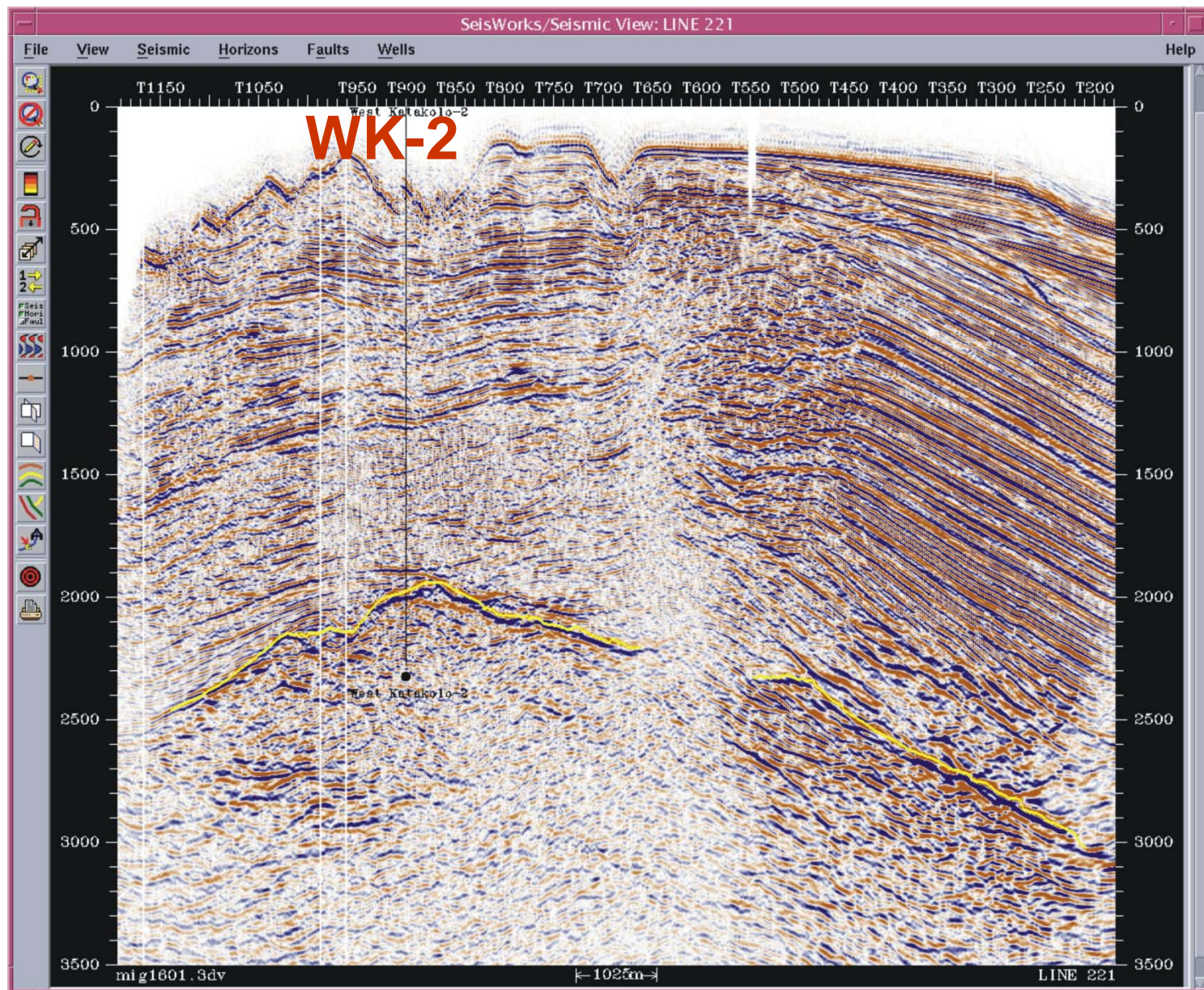
AS A KEY CASE



WEST KATAKOLO

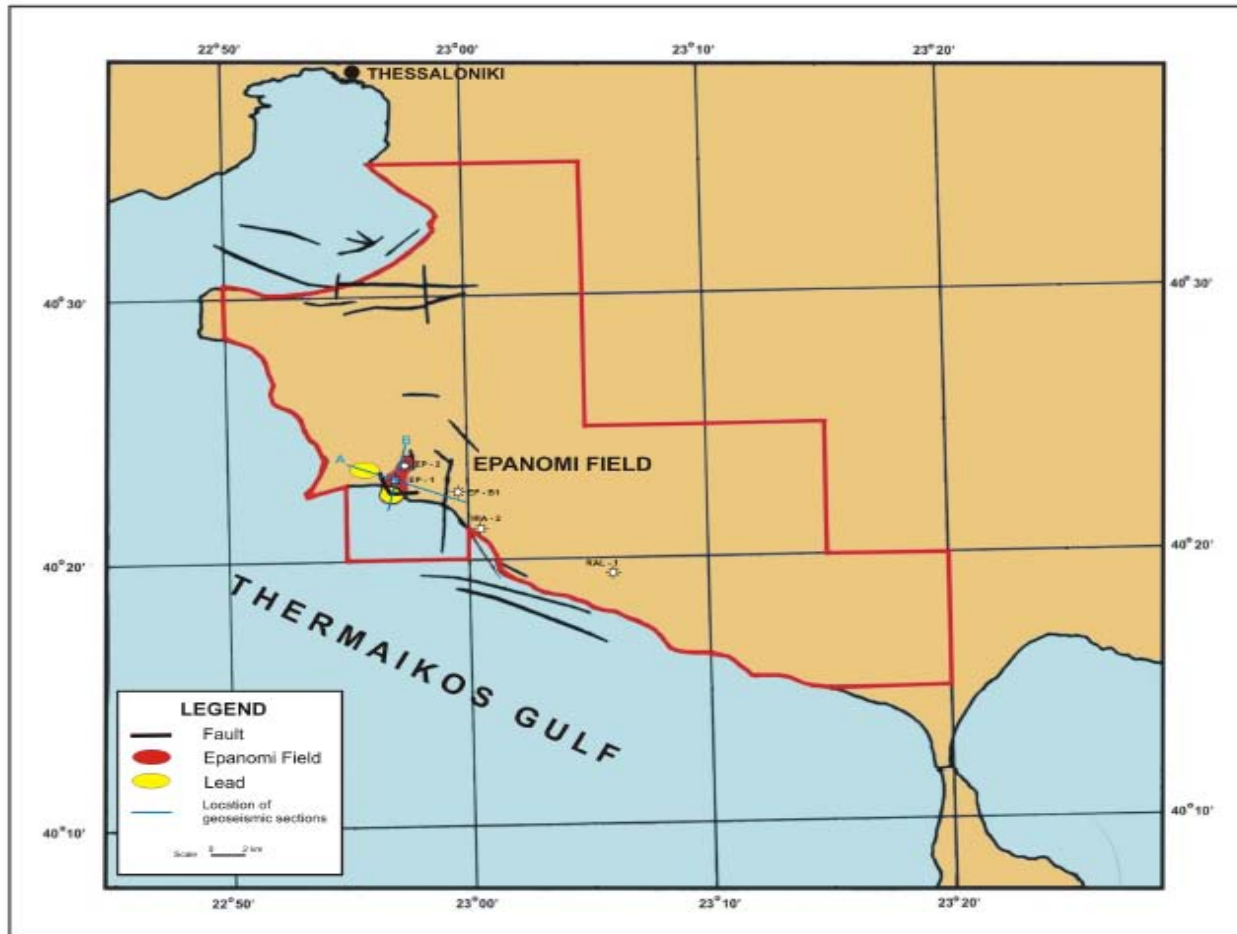
BASIC CHARACTERISTICS

- Two wells and one deviated well from the first one
- Gas flow from two intervals, 11-12 million cubic feet/day from each one
- Oil flow in WKA-2 well, 1000-1500 barrels/day
- Reservoir depth: 2400-2600 m
- Sea depth: 200-350 m
- Small distance from the nearest shore



Seismic Line 221

Epanomi Gas discovery



EPANOMI GAS FIELD

BASIC CHARACTERISTICS

- ✓ Recoverable reserves: 450 million m³ of Gas
- ✓ Gas flow 16 million cubic feet/day
- ✓ Small distance from natural gas pipeline
- ✓ Small distance from Thessaloniki
- ✓ Some more leads in the neighborhood area

EPANOMI
STRUCTURE
&
PRODUCTION
TEST

