

1     **Diagenesis and its impact on the reservoir quality of Miocene**  
2     **sandstones (Surma Group) from the Bengal Basin, Bangladesh**

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9     **Abstract**

10    Rapid supply and deposition of 1000's of meters of Miocene and Pliocene sediment tend to lead  
11    to a different set of controls on reservoir quality than older, more slowly buried sandstones. Here  
12    we have studied Miocene fluvial-deltaic Bhuban Formation sandstones, from the Surma Group,  
13    Bengal Basin, buried to >3,000m and >110°C, using a combination of petrographic, geochemical  
14    and petrophysical methods in order to understand the controls on Miocene sandstone reservoir  
15    quality to facilitate improved prediction of porosity and permeability. The main conclusions of  
16    the study are that mechanical compaction processes are the dominant control on porosity-loss  
17    although early calcite growth has led to locally-negligible porosity in some sandstones.  
18    Mechanical compaction occurred by grain rearrangement, ductile grain compaction and brittle  
19    grain fracturing. Calcite cement, occupying up to 41% intergranular volume, was derived from a  
20    combination of dissolved and recrystallized bioclasts, an influx of organic-derived carbon dioxide  
21    and plagioclase alteration. Clay minerals present include smectite-illite, kaolinite and chlorite.  
22    The smectitic clay was probably restricted to low energy depositional environments and it locally  
23    diminishes permeability disproportionate to the degree of porosity-loss. Kaolinite is probably the  
24    result of feldspar alteration resulting from the influx of organic-derived carbon dioxide. Quartz

25 cement is present in small amounts, despite the relatively high temperature, due to a combination  
26 of limited time available in these young sandstones, grain-coating chlorite and low water  
27 saturations in these gas-bearing reservoir sandstones. Reservoir quality can now be predicted by  
28 considering primary sediment supply and primary depositional environment, the magnitude of the  
29 detrital bioclast fraction and the influx of organic-derived carbon dioxide.

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## 36 **1. Introduction**

37 The Bengal Basin in Southeast Asia covers most of Bangladesh and is known as a prolific  
38 petroleum-bearing basin. It contains up to 22,000 m of Cretaceous to Holocene sedimentary fill  
39 (Alam et al., 2003). This huge succession includes about ~4,000 to 5,000 m of Neogene sediment  
40 of the petroliferous Surma Group (Table 1) buried to 2,300 to 3,100 m. So far, twenty-five  
41 economically-viable fields have been discovered in Bangladesh. Predominantly, these are gas  
42 fields in the Miocene Surma Group sandstones. These recently-discovered gas fields have  
43 become a significant source of hydrocarbon in the Bengal Basin and promise to serve as an  
44 engine of economic growth for Bangladesh. There are several publications that have dealt with  
45 the regional geology, sedimentology, tectonic evolution and petroleum prospectivity of the Surma  
46 Basin, especially for the north-eastern petroleum province (Hiller and Elahi, 1984; Johnson and  
47 Alam, 1991; Khan et al., 1988; Lietz and Kabir, 1982; Rahman et al., 2009; Shamsuddin et al.,  
48 2001). However, relatively few publications focus on the reservoir quality and diagenesis of the  
49 sandstone units (Imam and Shaw, 1987; Islam, 2009; Rahman and McCann, 2012; Rahman et al.,  
50 2011).

51 Reservoir quality (porosity and permeability) is a key control on success during petroleum  
52 exploration, along with source presence, maturation, migration, trap and seal. Reservoir quality is  
53 a function of primary sand texture and composition and the secondary diagenetic processes of  
54 compaction, mineral cementation, mineral replacement and mineral dissolution (Worden and  
55 Burley, 2003). The necessarily limited time available to bury Miocene sediment to >2,000 m  
56 requires either a very large river system spewing sediment into a basin with a restricted  
57 dimensions, or a major tectonic event (e.g. the Himalayan orogeny) in the sediment's hinterland  
58 (or a combination of both reasons). The Bengal Basin has accumulated sediment at about 150  
59 m/myr, a value that is approximately ten times greater than, for example, the rate of sediment

60 accumulation for the Brent Group reservoirs in the North Sea. There are some notable  
61 differences in the controls on reservoir quality in Neogene sandstones at ~2,000 to 3,500 m  
62 compared to Palaeogene or older sandstones, at equivalent depths, due to the accelerated rate of  
63 sediment supply and burial. The rapid burial and consequent heating of Miocene sediments to >  
64 2,300 m suggests that kinetically-controlled diagenetic processes, for example carbonate  
65 neoformation, clay mineral transformations or the growth of quartz cement, will be less advanced  
66 than in older basins at the same depth and temperature (Dutton et al., 2012; Gier et al., 2008).  
67 Furthermore if a major Miocene tectonic event led to the supply of a vast amount of sediment  
68 from the surrounding mountain belts, it is likely that the supplied sediment will be  
69 mineralogically immature compared to sediment supplied and accumulated more slowly (Worden  
70 et al., 2000; Worden et al., 1997). Therefore, it is important to have a detailed understanding of  
71 sandstone diagenesis during petroleum exploration in young, e.g. Miocene, basins. Previous  
72 studies on diagenetic cements in the Bengal Basin revealed a dominant presence of calcite cement  
73 in the Surma Group (Rahman and McCann, 2012). The present investigation is a petrographic  
74 and geochemical study of Surma Group sandstones dominantly from the central Bengal Basin. It  
75 builds on earlier work (Imam and Shaw, 1987; Islam, 2009; Rahman and McCann, 2012; Rahman  
76 et al., 2011) by undertaking a full assessment of all the possible controls on reservoir quality,  
77 extending the study to a great range of depths (2303 m to 3178 m; Fig. 2), using stable isotope  
78 data from calcite cement from the central Bengal Basin and, for the first time, incorporating core  
79 analysis data. Samples have been collected from six exploration wells from four gas fields  
80 (Jalalabad, Meghna, Narsingdi, SaldaNadi and Titas; Fig. 1).

81 This paper specifically seeks to address the following research questions:

- 82 1) Is compaction or cementation the dominant control on reservoir quality in young  
83 (Miocene) sandstones buried to more than 3,000 m?

- 84 2) What are the main sources of carbonate cement in these young and deeply buried  
85 sandstones and can we predict this control on reservoir quality?
- 86 3) Is quartz cement common in these young sandstones heated to more than 100C°?
- 87 4) What are the key aspects of diagenesis to consider in an assessment and prediction of  
88 reservoir quality of young sandstones buried to more than 3,000 m and heated to more  
89 than 100C°?

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## 91 **2. Geological setting**

92 The Cretaceous to Holocene Bengal Basin lies on the eastern side of the Indian subcontinent  
93 between the Shillong Plateau to the north, and the Indo-Burman Ranges to the east. The Bengal  
94 Basin occupies most of Bangladesh and West Bengal (India) as well as part of the Bay of Bengal  
95 (Fig. 1). Basin development is concluded to have started in the Early Cretaceous epoch (ca. 127  
96 Ma) when the Indian plate rifted away from Antarctica, although there is ongoing debate about  
97 the precise timing of rifting (Gibbons et al., 2013; Jokat et al., 2010). After plate reorganization  
98 at about 90 Ma, the Indian plate migrated rapidly northward and collided with Asia between  
99 approximately 55 and 40 Ma (Johnson and Alam, 1991). This basin originated during the  
100 collision of India with Eurasia and Burma, building the extensive Himalayan and Indo-Burman  
101 mountain ranges and, thereby, loading the lithosphere to form flanking sedimentary basins (Uddin  
102 and Lundberg, 1998).

103 Since the Cretaceous, sedimentation in the Bengal Basin has been controlled by the movement  
104 and collision pattern of the Indian plate with the Burmese and Tibetan plates and by the uplift and  
105 erosion of the Himalayas and Indo Burman Ranges (Alam, 1989). The basin-fill of the onshore  
106 part of the basin has previously been divided into platform (shelf), slope (hinge) and basinal  
107 facies (Alam et al., 2003) (Fig. 1). Crystalline basement of the Indian plate underlies the shelf

108 and bounds the Bengal Basin to the west and north; the deeper basin to the east and southeast may  
109 be floored by oceanic or transitional crust (Johnson and Alam, 1991).

110 Upper Cretaceous to Middle Eocene stratigraphic units comprise non marine to shallow-marine  
111 deposits (Uddin and Lundberg, 1998). Basin-wide subsidence took place in the middle Eocene  
112 resulting an extensive marine transgression with the deposition of the nummulitic Sylhet  
113 Limestone Formation (Table 1). This event was followed by the brackish to marine shales of  
114 Kopili Formation. In the Oligocene, basin-wide emergence and marine regression occurred,  
115 followed by deposition of the Barail Group.

116 During the Miocene, major uplift began in Himalayas, and large volumes of orogenic sediments  
117 were funneled into the basin from the north east, building a major Mio-Pliocene delta complex  
118 (Uddin and Lundberg, 1998). The Miocene Surma Group was then deposited in deltaic to  
119 shallow marine environments followed by predominantly fluvial deposition of the Mio-Pliocene  
120 Tipam Formation and then finally fluvial Plio-Pleistocene Dupi Tila Formation sandstones  
121 (Alam, 1989).

122 The sediments of the Miocene Surma Group have been sub-divided into, in age order, the Bhuban  
123 and Boka Bil Formations. The wells utilized in this study had reservoirs in the Bhuban  
124 Formation (Fig. 2). The Bhuban and Boka Bil Formations were principally deposited in a large,  
125 mud-dominated delta system that drained a significant portion of the eastern Himalaya (Johnson  
126 and Alam, 1991). The delta responsible for the Surma Group has been interpreted to be tide-  
127 dominated (Alam, 1995; Rahman et al., 2009). The marine-deltaic to fluvial-deltaic shale and  
128 sandstone rhythmites of the Surma Group sediments are reported to represent repetitive  
129 transgression and regression phases that resulted from subsidence as well as relative sea-level  
130 changes (Rahman et al., 2009) (Table 1). The older Bhuban Formation consists of fine grained,  
131 well-indurated, thickly bedded sandstones, siltstones, shales and claystones (Imam and Shaw,

132 1987). The reservoir sandstones of the Bhuban Formation of the Surma Group are characterized  
133 by a combination of massive units, parallel-lamination, cross-bedding, cross-bedded sandstones  
134 with lags of mud clasts, and ripple-lamination with flaser bedding (Rahman et al., 2009).

135 The borehole-temperature in the Bhuban Formation sandstones in this study range from 85°C at  
136 2300 m to 115°C at 3200 m. Burial history and thermal modelling indicate that the main phase of  
137 oil and gas generation occurred around 12 million years ago (BAPEX, 1996) (Fig. 3). The  
138 sandstones have not been reported to be significantly overpressured.

### 139 **3. Samples and methods**

140 Thin section petrographic analysis was performed on 85 sandstone core samples collected at a  
141 range of depths between 2303 m and 3178m from six exploratory wells from four gas fields:  
142 Jalalabad (JL-2, JL-3, both drilled in 1989), Meghna (BK-9, 1990), Narshingdi (BK-10, 1990),  
143 and Titas (TT-11, 1990; TT-15, 2006). Samples for thin-section study were impregnated with  
144 blue epoxy to facilitate petrographic recognition of porosity. Thin sections were stained with  
145 Alizarin-Red S and potassium-hexacyanoferrate (III) to help identify calcite and dolomite and  
146 their ferroan versions (Tucker, 1988).

147 The modal composition of the sandstones was achieved by counting 600 points per thin section.  
148 In the case of coarse polymineralic rock fragments, such as quartz-feldspar granitic rock  
149 fragments, the individual mineral was counted as a single grain following the Gazzi-Dickinson  
150 point counting method (Dickinson, 1985; Dickinson and Suczek, 1979). Intergranular volume  
151 (IGV %) was determined from point-count data and is equal to the sum total of remaining  
152 intergranular porosity and the pore-filling cements and matrix.

153 Two scanning electron microscopes (SEM) were employed in the study: a CamScan MV 2300  
154 SEM (University of Bonn, Germany) and a Philips XL30 tungsten filament SEM fitted with an

155 Oxford Instruments INCA EDS system with an SiLi detector (University of Liverpool, UK).  
156 These were used in secondary electron imaging (SEI) and backscattered electron microscope  
157 (BSEM) modes to observe authigenic minerals, cements and pore geometry in sandstones. They  
158 were also used to determine the relative timing of mineral growth and deformation. A cold  
159 Cathodoluminescence (CCL) detector was used on the Philips XL30 (University of Liverpool,  
160 UK), at 10 kV to help differentiate quartz grains and quartz cement. The SEM-CL image was  
161 built up over 16 frames.

162 Broken rock chips and polished sections were used for SEM examination. Broken rock chips  
163 were gold coated and examined at an acceleration voltage of 20 kV. Polished sections for BSEM  
164 and EDS analysis were coated using an Emitech K950X carbon coater. The contact between the  
165 thin section slide and sample holder was improved by painting around the sample with colloidal  
166 graphite to form a good conduction path.

167 Samples for X-ray diffraction (XRD) were cut from the core samples. A PANalytical X'pert pro  
168 MPD X-ray diffractometer was used for the analysis. The samples were crushed using a  
169 micromill and distilled water for 10 minutes. They were then dried overnight in a low  
170 temperature oven and powdered using agate pestle and mortar. A copper X-ray source operating  
171 at 40kV and 40mA was used. Powder samples were loaded into cavity holders and rotated  
172 continuously during the scan, completing one rotation every 2 seconds. Programmable anti-  
173 scatter slits and a fixed mask maintained in an irradiated sample area of 10 x 15 mm, with an  
174 additional 2° incident beam antiscatter slit producing a flat background for raw data down to a  
175 2theta angle of 3°. The X'Celerator detector was set to scan in continuous mode with full length  
176 active pulse-height discrimination levels set to 45 to 80 %. Operation of the XRD was controlled  
177 using "HighScore Plus ®" analysis software and automated Rietveld refinement methods with  
178 reference patterns from the International Centre for Diffraction Data; Powder Diffraction File-2  
179 Release 2008.



180 Doubly polished fluid inclusion wafers for fluid inclusion microthermometric studies were  
181 prepared from core samples. An Olympus BX-60 petrographic microscope, equipped with a  
182 Linkam THMSG 600 heating and cooling stage, was used for thermometry. This enabled the  
183 measurement of phase transition temperatures from  $-180^{\circ}$  to  $600^{\circ}\text{C}$  with an accuracy of  $\pm 0.1$  to  $\pm$   
184  $1.0$ . Observations were made with different magnifications (objectives 10x, 20x, 50x and 100x).  
185 Inclusions were photographed with Digital Camera Olympus DP71 for the purpose of fast  
186 mapping of inclusion locations. Homogenization temperature measurements were made for  
187 inclusions in each small piece of fluid inclusion wafer and then freezing point depression  
188 measurements were made on each identified inclusion to prevent modification of the  
189 homogenization temperature (Worden et al., 1995). Fluid inclusion samples were also studied  
190 using a mercury UV source to differentiate oil inclusions from aqueous inclusions.

191 Oxygen and carbon isotope analysis from seven calcite-cemented sandstone samples of the Surma  
192 Group from the Bengal Basin (wells: JL-2, TT-11, BK-9, SN-1) (see Fig.1) was performed using  
193 a MAT 251 isotope ratio mass spectrometer. The precision was  $\pm 0.08$  ‰ for oxygen and  $\pm 0.06$   
194 ‰ for carbon. Oxygen and carbon isotope data are presented in the  $\delta$  notation relative to the  
195 Vienna Pee Dee Belemnite (VPDB) standards.

## 196 **4. Results**

### 197 **4.1 Detrital composition and rock fabric**

198 The Surma Group sandstones are predominantly fine-grained and moderately sorted, with minor  
199 amounts of very fine-grained and very well sorted sandstones. Grain-contacts are dominated by  
200 long, concavo-convex surfaces with some sutured contacts (Fig. 4a). Some grains have  
201 undergone brittle fracturing while others have undergone ductile compaction as shown by (Fig.  
202 4b, c, d).

203 Petrographic compositions of the Surma Group sandstones is reported in Table 2. They are  
204 predominantly subarkosic to sublitharenitic in composition (Fig. 5). Intergranular volume (IGV)  
205 of the studied sandstones varies from 16 to 46.5 %. Higher values of IGV (32 – 46.5 %) have  
206 been observed in sandstones with high porosity and high cement contents (Table 2). Quartz is the  
207 most abundant detrital constituent representing 74 % of the detrital grains, on average.  
208 Monocrystalline quartz grains dominate the detrital quartz population with an average of 61 %;  
209 polycrystalline quartz are a subordinate component at 13 %. Feldspars grains represent an  
210 average of 9.9 % of the detrital grains; this is split between K-feldspar (5.0 %) and plagioclase  
211 feldspar (4.9 %). Lithic grains represent an average of 8.3 % of the detrital grains and occur as  
212 sedimentary, metamorphic and minor volcanic fragments. Metamorphic lithic grains are mainly  
213 micaceous phyllite and schist fragments. They are more abundant (5.0 %) than sedimentary lithic  
214 grains (2.6 %) which are dominated by shale fragments. Detrital phyllosilicates grains are present  
215 with almost equal amount of muscovite and biotite (averages of 3.6 % and 3.8 %, respectively).  
216 The lithic fragments are thus dominated by ductile grains. The detrital ductile grains have been  
217 deformed by plastic deformation whereas more brittle grains (e.g. quartz, feldspar grains) have  
218 undergone fracturing (Fig. 4b). Few carbonate grains and bioclasts (Fig. 4e) have been found.

## 219 **4.2 Diagenetic minerals and cements**

220 The main diagenetic minerals in the sandstones are calcite cement and clay mineral cements  
221 (chlorite, illite/illite-smectite and kaolin) with subordinate amounts of quartz and K-feldspar  
222 overgrowths (Table 2). The diagenetic constituents, in order of abundance, are: calcite, clay  
223 minerals, quartz, with only trace amounts of K-feldspar and pyrite.

### 224 4.2.1 Calcite cement

225 Calcite is the most abundant cement (average 6 %, maximum 37 % of the total sandstone  
226 composition). Carbonate bioclasts are present in some samples, providing possible evidence of

227 the source of the calcite cement (Fig. 4e). Diagenetic calcite occur as: (1) microcrystalline  
228 masses (Fig. 6c), (2) coarse crystalline, poikilotopic, pore-filling masses (Fig. 6d), (3) isolated  
229 rhombs (Fig. 6e), (4) partial grain replacements (e.g. within altered feldspar or lithic grains) (Fig.  
230 6f). Poikilotopic calcite (forming an interlocking mosaic of crystals) locally replaces detrital  
231 quartz, feldspar, micas and clay-rich ductile grains. Ferroan calcite is the dominant cement in  
232 these sandstones. Poikilotopic calcite cement preserves an intergranular volume (IGV) of up to  
233 41 % and fills relatively large pores between loosely packed framework grains. This type of  
234 calcite does not fill fractures or extend into partially corroded grains. Pore-filling calcite cement  
235 in these sandstones is locally associated with secondary pores in plagioclase.

#### 236 4.2.2 Clay mineral cements

237 Clay minerals represent an average of 4.6 % and include chlorite, illite, illite-smectite and  
238 kaolinite, as revealed by thin section petrography, SEM and XRD (Fig. 7a). In the clay fractions  
239 of these sandstones, XRD spectra indicate an overall relative chlorite content of up to 22 %, a  
240 combined illite and smectite content up to 53 %, and a kaolinite content of up to 25 %.

241 Authigenic chlorite can be observed throughout the collection of samples. Chlorite contents  
242 ranging from trace to 5.7 % (average 1.3 %). Detrital biotite has been locally replaced by chlorite  
243 (Fig. 4a). Secondary X-ray analysis in the SEM X revealed that the chlorite is iron-rich (Fig. 7b).  
244 Grain-coating clay minerals, dominated by chlorite, are locally found around detrital grain  
245 surfaces in these sandstones (Fig. 6a, b). The chlorite rims (Fig. 8a) are generally discontinuous.  
246 Chlorite consists of small irregular to pseudo hexagonal platelets, 2-3  $\mu\text{m}$  in length, aligned in a  
247 grain-perpendicular form. Chlorite rims are locally enclosed by quartz overgrowths (Fig. 8b).

248 Fibrous illite is not abundant in these sandstones, but illite/smectite mixed layer clays are  
249 common with lath-like and crenulated morphology with honeycomb-like crystals (Fig. 8c, d).

250 Illite-smectite locally occurs as a grain coating (pore-lining) and pore-filling clay as well as  
251 occurring as a replacement product of detrital micas.

252 Kaolinite is found in primary pore spaces as stacks of booklets, vermiform aggregates (Fig. 8a),  
253 within altered mica grains, as well as in close association with secondary pores in feldspar grains  
254 (Fig. 8d). Kaolinite is also present as blocky euhedral, pseudo-hexagonal plates sitting in primary  
255 pores and has been locally altered to dickite, the high temperature kaolin polymorph (Fig. 8e, f)

#### 256 4.2.3 Quartz and feldspar cements

257 Quartz cement is routinely observed but represents a relatively minor component in these  
258 sandstone reservoirs, ranging from trace quantities to as much as 6.2 %, with an average of 2.3 %.  
259 It is present as quartz overgrowths around detrital quartz grains (Fig. 9a-d). In some cases, the  
260 boundaries between quartz grains and the quartz overgrowths are marked by clay mineral  
261 coatings and dust lines (Fig. 9a). Some examples of complete, grain-rimming quartz overgrowths  
262 are present (Fig. 9c, d) although in most cases quartz cement occurs as small (10-20  $\mu\text{m}$ ) isolated,  
263 euhedral outgrowths on detrital quartz grains. In some cases, quartz overgrowth development  
264 was inhibited by localized chlorite grain coats (Fig. 8b). Well-established euhedral quartz  
265 overgrowths are found only where chlorite grain coats are absent or rare. Most quartz  
266 overgrowths are inclusion-free or contain inclusions that are too small to use for  
267 microthermometry ( $< 5 \mu\text{m}$ ). However a few aqueous inclusions were large enough to be used  
268 for microthermometry yielding last-ice melting temperatures,  $T_m$ , of  $-1.8$  to  $-7.8^\circ\text{C}$  and  
269 homogenization temperatures,  $T_h$ , of  $113$  to  $150^\circ\text{C}$ . No fluorescent petroleum inclusions were  
270 found.

271 Minor feldspar overgrowths have been found on detrital plagioclase. Plagioclase grains have also  
272 been partially albitized (Fig. 9e).

#### 273 4.2.4 Pyrite cement

274 Pyrite cement is present as framboidal aggregates as revealed by SEM (Fig. 9f). Pyrite sits within  
275 the intergranular pores surrounded by illite/smectite mixed layer clay coated detrital grains.

#### 276 4.3 Stable isotope results

277 Isotopic data from poikilotopic calcite cement are presented in Table 2.  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  values range  
278 between  $-11.7\text{‰}$  and  $-6.9\text{‰}$  VPDB. Calcite  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  values sit within a range from  $-18.2\text{‰}$  to  $-4.1\text{‰}$   
279 VPDB. Slightly more negative  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  values have been previously reported (Rahman and McCann,  
280 2012) from the northeastern part of Bengal Basin (Surma Basin, Fig. 10).

#### 281 4.4 Porosity and Permeability

282 Core analysis porosity ranges from 3 to 28 %; core analysis permeability ranges from 0.15 to  
283 1,230 mD (BAPEX, 1996; Islam, 2010).

284 Petrographic microscopy and SEM analysis showed that the sandstones exhibit three different  
285 types of porosity: (i) intergranular macroporosity (primary porosity), (ii) secondary porosity and  
286 (iii) microporosity associated with clay minerals, that is probably secondary in origin (Fig. 8a-f).

287 The total porosity (primary and secondary) comprises an average 18 % of the rock volume  
288 (ranging from 0 to 31 %). Sandstones with high ductile grain contents tend to have lower  
289 porosity than those with low ductile grain contents (Fig. 11). Petrographically-defined total  
290 porosity tends to decrease with increasing depth of burial with the lowest porosities found at  
291 depths  $> 3000\text{ m}$  (Fig. 11).

292 Petrographically-defined primary porosity has an average value of 14 %, ranging from 0 to 27 %.  
293 Secondary porosity has an average of about 4 %, ranging from 0 to 11 %. The development of  
294 the majority of the secondary porosity occurred due to the dissolution of detrital feldspar grains

295 (Fig. 6a, b) and carbonate grains (Fig. 4a) and cement (Fig. 4c); most secondary porosity is  
296 ineffective since it is filled with authigenic clay. Dissolution resulted in mouldic, oversized  
297 secondary pores (bigger than primary pores) in some samples, with the secondary pores outlined  
298 by clay mineral rims (Fig. 6b). Dissolution locally enhanced the porosity of the reservoir.  
299 However, the secondary pores are associated with clay minerals, so the permeability is unlikely to  
300 have been improved by dissolution processes.

301 Point count thin section porosities (0 to 31 %) are overall in good agreement with those of the  
302 core plug porosities, although thin section porosity is, in most cases, lower than the core plug  
303 porosity, which indicates the presence of microporosity. Low angle cross-bedded, clean  
304 sandstones have the highest porosity and permeability values. Twenty percent porosity can lead  
305 to permeability ranging from 10 mD up to several hundred mD (Fig. 12). Variation of detrital  
306 ductile grain proportions, calcite cement content, clay mineral content and quartz cement have  
307 resulted in the wide range of permeability for sandstones of a given porosity.

308 Intergranular volumes for the 86 point counted samples are highly variable (ranging from 16 to  
309 46.5 %). Sandstones with primary porosities  $\geq 20$  % have average IGV values of 35 %. The  
310 intergranular volume of microcalcite cemented samples is up to 32 % (Fig. 6c) while poikilotopic  
311 calcite cement preserves an intergranular volume of up to 41 %.

## 312 **5. Discussion**

### 313 **5.1 Sequence of diagenetic events**

314 The presence of framboidal pyrite (Fig. 9f) requires near-surface, low temperature, sulphate  
315 reducing bacteria in the presence of sulphate-rich marine pore waters (Berner, 1980); pyrite was  
316 probably one of the first minerals to grow in these sandstones, confirming the marine influence on  
317 these sandstones.

318 Grain-contacts are dominated by long, concavo-convex surfaces with some suture contacts. This  
319 suggests that the sandstones might have been subjected to moderate to high degree of mechanical  
320 compaction. Whereas simple grain reorganization was probably the first, and possibly dominant,  
321 form of mechanical compaction, as shown by large scale studies of compaction from other basins  
322 (Paxton et al., 2002), there have also been other types of mechanical compaction. These include  
323 ductile (plastic) deformation of lithic fragments (Fig. 4b, c) and the brittle fracturing of quartz and  
324 feldspar grains (Fig. 4b) indicating both ductile and brittle grain compaction in these sandstones.

325 Grains coated with clays (Fig. 6a, b) may have developed immediately after deposition due to  
326 mechanical infiltration at sites where the sediment was exposed at the surface (Matlack et al.,  
327 1989; Moraes and De Ros, 1990, 1992) or by bioturbation processes (McIlroy et al., 2003;  
328 Needham et al., 2005; Worden et al., 2006). Authigenic chlorite is significant because, studies  
329 from other basins have shown that, it can create continuous grain coatings that inhibit quartz  
330 cement growth (Bloch et al., 2002). Chlorite typically develops at temperatures of > 60 or 70°C  
331 (Worden and Morad, 2003). In these sandstones, authigenic chlorite is associated with biotite-  
332 rich sandstones (Fig. 4a). Chlorite in the Surma Group may have formed by: (1) the diagenetic  
333 replacement of detrital biotite (Fig. 4a), or (2) the transformation of precursor infiltrated or grain-  
334 coating clay minerals (Figs. 6e, 8a), or by a combination of these two processes.

335 Since diagenetic calcite in the Surma Group sandstones occur in a variety of forms (Fig. 6c-f), it  
336 is likely that the growth of calcite occurred over a range of diagenetic temperatures. Poikilotopic  
337 calcite cement preserves an intergranular volume (IGV) of up to 41 % and fills relatively large  
338 pores between loosely packed framework grains, it is here interpreted to have formed very early  
339 in the burial history before significant compactional porosity-loss could occur. Microcrystalline  
340 calcite appears to have developed somewhat later, during or after mechanical compaction, since  
341 the intergranular volume of microcrystalline calcite cemented samples is up to 32 % (Fig. 6c).

342 The presence of grain coating illite, with hair-like and honeycomb-like crystals with spiny  
343 terminations, indicates a diagenetic origin, as opposed to detrital origin (Lemon and Cubitt, 2003;  
344 Morad et al., 2000). Illite typically forms during progressive burial (mesodiagenesis) at  
345 temperatures > 90°C through the transformation of depositional or infiltrated clays (e.g. smectite  
346 conversion to illite via mixed layer illite-smectite) (Keller et al., 1986; Morad et al., 2000).  
347 Illitization of smectite requires a source of potassium, in this case probably supplied from the  
348 alteration of feldspars (Ehrenberg, 1993; Morad and De Ros, 1994; Morad et al., 2000). By  
349 inference, the alteration of feldspar, generation of illite and creation of secondary pores (Fig. 6a,  
350 b) may have been coincident.

351 Kaolinite is closely associated with decomposed feldspar grains and, thus probably formed by the  
352 alteration of detrital feldspar grains (Fig. 8d). The creation of kaolinite requires feldspar either in  
353 low salinity or low pH (acidic) formation water. Acidic pore waters could plausibly have been  
354 generated at depth during the maturation of organic matter in adjacent shale (Rahman and  
355 McCann, 2012). The growth of carbonate minerals due to an influx of CO<sub>2</sub> (e.g. from source  
356 rocks) has been associated with the concomitant alteration of feldspar to kaolinite due to the acid  
357 buffering by the feldspar-clay reaction (Barclay and Worden, 2000; Worden and Barclay, 2000).  
358 The presence of blocky dickite associated with kaolinite in the deeper samples (Fig. 8e-f) has  
359 been previously explained as a function of polymorphic transformation as a function of  
360 temperature (Beaufort et al., 1998).

361 The presence of quartz cement as a syntaxial overgrowth near the sites of intergranular  
362 dissolution, and around tightly packed detrital quartz grains, indicates a mesogenetic origin  
363 (McBride, 1989; Worden and Morad, 2000). Fluid inclusion homogenization temperatures range  
364 from 113 to 150°C suggesting a relatively late onset of quartz cement, most likely due to the  
365 limited time available at these high temperatures for these Miocene sandstones (Walderhaug et  
366 al., 2000). The numerous long intergranular concavo-convex contacts between individual quartz



367 grains and some suture contacts (Fig. 4a) seem to suggest that *in situ* pressure solution at  
368 stylolites may account for some of the quartz cement present. Alternative internal sources of  
369 silica may have been effective as well as, or instead of, stylolites; these include the conversion of  
370 K-feldspar to clay minerals (Worden and Morad, 2000) and the progressive transformation of  
371 smectite to illite (McKinley et al., 2003).

372 An overall paragenetic sequence of the dominant diagenetic features of the Bhuban Formation  
373 (Surma Group) sandstones from the Bengal Basin is presented in Figure 13. This interpreted  
374 sequence of events is based on the mutual textural relationship of thin section and SEM  
375 observations described and interpreted in the previous sections (Figs. 4, 6, 8-9).

## 376 **5.2 Conditions during calcite growth**

377 An intergranular volume of 41 % for poikilotopic calcite-cemented sandstones implies that calcite  
378 growth occurred before mechanical compaction strongly affected primary depositional porosity,  
379 requiring that poikilotopic calcite grew at low temperature. An oxygen isotope value of  $-9.3\text{‰}$   
380 ( $\pm 2.4\text{‰}$ ) from poikilotopic calcite cements has been used in conjunction with the calcite-water  
381 oxygen isotope fractionation equation (Friedman and O'Neil, 1977) to reveal the conditions  
382 during calcite diagenesis. If we assume poikilotopic calcite grew at  $30^{\circ}\text{C}$  then water with a  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$   
383 value of about  $-6\text{‰}$  VSMOW must have been present (with a range from  $-4$  to  $-9\text{‰}$ ).

384 Alternatively, if we assume that seawater with a  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  value of  $0\text{‰}$  VSMOW was responsible for  
385 poikilotopic calcite, then it would have grown at a temperature of  $71^{\circ}\text{C}$  (with a range from  $55$  to  
386 nearly  $100^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) (Fig. 14); such high temperatures are untenable for calcite growth given the high  
387 IGVs. On this basis it may be concluded that meteoric pore waters were present during  
388 poikilotopic calcite growth (Figs. 13 and 14).

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### 391 **5.3 Depositional controls on diagenesis and reservoir quality**

392 Reservoir quality of the Surma Group has been strongly influenced by depositional environment  
393 as well as various types of diagenetic alteration. In the analyzed samples, clean sandstones that  
394 are massive or have low angle cross-bedding have the best reservoir quality since they have the  
395 highest detrital quartz content, lowest matrix content and to be fine to medium grain-size and well  
396 sorted. Of the three representative sub-environments identified, high energy distributary channel  
397 sediments have the highest grain size and thus had the best primary reservoir quality  
398 characteristics. In contrast, shore face sandstones are very fine to medium grained and thus had  
399 the worst primary reservoir quality characteristics. The lower energy, tidal flat sandstones are  
400 fine-grained sandstones and had intermediate primary reservoir quality characteristics. The  
401 presence of depositional mud-flakes and clay drapes decreased permeability during burial owing  
402 to their exacerbated mechanical compaction and the formation of pseudo-matrix (Fig. 4d). Where  
403 the depositional matrix content is elevated, there is locally reduced porosity in the reservoir  
404 (Sample TT-11 (18), TT-11 (27) Table 2).

### 405 **5.4 Diagenetic controls on reservoir quality**

#### 406 5.4.1 Mechanical compactional controls on reservoir quality

407 Mechanical compaction is a collection of processes that lead to volume-reduction due to applied  
408 effective stress. Mechanical compaction occurs progressively during burial. It theoretically  
409 occurs in a variety of ways including the simple process of grain reorganization changing a  
410 sediment's fabric from loose random packing at deposition to hexagonal close-packing following  
411 burial to >2,000m. This diminishes porosity from an initial 45 % to a post-grain repacking value  
412 of 26 % (Paxton et al., 2002). Mechanical compaction also operates by grain bending, ductile

413 deformation of mechanically-weak grains (Fig. 4b, c) and fracturing of brittle but weak minerals  
414 (Fig. 4b). The specific effects of mechanical compaction during burial can be seen by comparing  
415 porosity to depth with the data subdivided by petrographically-defined ductile grain content (Fig.  
416 11). This diagram has been overlaid with model mechanical compaction curves for different  
417 ductile grain content (Ramm et al., 1997; Worden et al., 2000). Significant overpressure has not  
418 been reported for these sandstones so we have not attempted to factor in over-pressure inhibited  
419 compaction and porosity-preservation in this analysis (Osborne and Swarbrick, 1999; Ramm and  
420 Bjorlykke, 1994). The lowest porosities are found in sandstones with the highest ductile grain  
421 contents (Fig. 11) suggesting that ductile compaction has been important within Surma Group  
422 sandstones. For the depth of burial, the reported porosity for most samples is significantly lower  
423 than it would have been if only mechanical compaction had occurred suggesting that there has  
424 been an additional process responsible for porosity-loss in these sandstones.

425 The role of mechanical compaction on porosity and permeability can also be discerned from  
426 Figure 12: the shallowest, and thus lowest effective stress, samples have the highest porosity and  
427 permeability. Also, the sandstones with the higher ductile contents tend to have lower  
428 permeability for a given porosity than those with lower ductile contents. The paramount role of  
429 ductile grains in Miocene sandstones reservoirs in SE Asia has been noted previously (Worden et  
430 al., 2000).

431 Whether mechanical compaction or cementation has been the dominant control on porosity can  
432 be determined by evaluating IGV, cement content and porosity and creating a Houseknecht  
433 diagram (Fig. 15) (Houseknecht, 1987). This diagram shows that mechanical compaction is the  
434 dominant control on porosity-loss in most sandstones. Mechanical compaction has generally  
435 exerted a bigger control on porosity than growth of cements. The exceptions are the sandstones  
436 that contain large quantities of calcite cement in which compactional porosity-loss was not  
437 possible. Sandstones with greater initial proportions of ductile grains tend to have the greatest

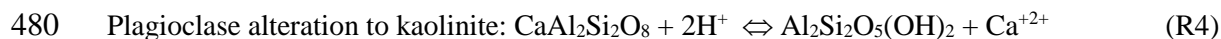
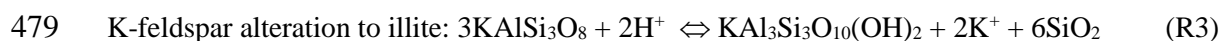
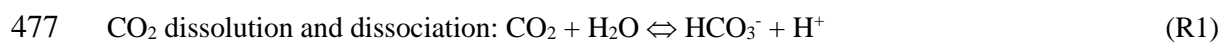
438 degree of compactional porosity-loss (Fig. 15), thus confirming the significance of ductile grains  
439 deduced from the porosity-permeability plot (Fig. 12).

#### 440 5.4.2 Diagenetic cement controls on reservoir quality

441 The growth of pore-filling cements explains why porosity values are lower than they would be  
442 had only mechanical compaction occurred. Poikilotopic calcite cement has locally reduced  
443 porosity down to 3 to 7 % and permeability down to < 0.15 mD in some samples (Figs. 13, 16a,  
444 b). The  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  VPDB values from calcite cement from the Bengal Basin range between from -18.2  
445 to -4.1 ‰ VPDB (Fig. 10; Table 2). This range is extended to -23.1 ‰ to 1.4 ‰ by reference to  
446 previous work (Rahman and McCann, 2012). Strongly negative  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  values require an organic  
447 source of carbonate while values close to 0 ‰ suggest that there may have been a marine  
448 bioclastic source of carbonate (Morad, 1998). Petrographic evidence of bioclasts (Fig. 4e)  
449 confirms that values close to 0‰ are the result of bioclastic debris supplying some of the calcite.  
450 However, the prevalence of strongly negative calcite  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  values suggests that much carbonate  
451 was derived from the breakdown of organic matter supplied as  $\text{CO}_2$ , possibly from early source  
452 rock maturation or resulting from biogenic sources during intermediate burial (Irwin et al., 1977).  
453 Organic sources of  $\text{CO}_2$  still require a source of calcium to allow calcite to grow. Since pore-  
454 filling calcite cement is locally associated with secondary pores in plagioclase (Fig. 6f), this leads  
455 to the conclusion that calcic-feldspar breakdown may be at least partly responsible for calcite  
456 growth. Petroleum systems are typically flooded with source rock-derived  $\text{CO}_2$  before the main  
457 phase of oil generation and the  $\text{CO}_2$  may also have induced alteration of the feldspars by  
458 dissociation in water leading to carbonic acid formation (Barclay and Worden, 2000; Worden and  
459 Barclay, 2000). We have not detected a role for oil emplacement on calcite cement abundance:  
460 i.e we have not found any evidence of inhibition of calcite cement due to the emplacement of oil  
461 (De Souza and Silva, 1998). This may be due to the fact that calcite grew early either due to

462 bioclast dissolution (Fig. 4f) or due to a pre-oil emplacement flux of source-rock derived CO<sub>2</sub>  
463 (Fig. 10).

464 Clay minerals represent the second most volumetrically significant group of pore-filling cements  
465 that affect porosity and permeability (Figs. 8, 16c and d). Pore-filling illite-smectite (Figs. 7 and  
466 8c) slightly reduces porosity, but based on precedents from other basins, has a dramatic effect on  
467 permeability (McKinley et al., 2003; Worden and Morad, 2003). Authigenic kaolinite locally  
468 occludes pore spaces although much of it seems to have replaced feldspars and has resulted in  
469 redistributional secondary micro-porosity (Giles and Deboer, 1990) (Figs. 7 and 8a, f, e). The  
470 poikilotopic calcite oxygen and carbon isotope data have been interpreted to suggest that meteoric  
471 water influx combined with organic-derived CO<sub>2</sub> were important during diagenesis (Figs. 10 and  
472 14). An influx of low salinity water and CO<sub>2</sub> are conducive to the conversion of feldspars to clay  
473 minerals cation-rich smectite into higher temperature clays such as kaolinite and illite. Thus the  
474 conditions that resulted in poikilotopic calcite growth may also have led to silicate diagenetic  
475 reactions. The silicate reactions act as a pH buffer for the hydrogen ions that result from CO<sub>2</sub>  
476 dissolution and dissociation followed by calcite precipitation:



481 Both of the feldspar replacement reactions (R3 and R4) buffer the pH (use up hydrogen ions) and  
482 allow reactions R1 and R2 to continue. Thus feldspar alteration, clay growth and carbonate growth  
483 may all be genetically connected.

484 Small amounts of quartz cement (average of 2.3%) have been found in the Surma Group (Figs. 9a  
485 - d) showing that quartz cement has played only a minor role in reducing porosity and

486 permeability. The relatively small volume of quartz cement in these sandstones can be attributed  
487 to a number of factors: (i) the limited amount of time spent above the critical onset temperature of  
488 80°C (Walderhaug et al., 2000), (2) the presence of grain coating clay (Dowey et al., 2012;  
489 Worden and Morad, 2003) and possibly (3) the limited amount of residual water in these gas-  
490 charged sandstones that is available to facilitate water-rock interaction (Worden et al., 1998).  
491 There is an inverse relationship between the amount of chlorite and the amount of authigenic  
492 quartz (Figs. 8b, 17). Chlorite grain coats may therefore have inhibited quartz cement and helped  
493 to preserve porosity, a phenomenon that has been reported in many basins around the world  
494 (Dowey et al., 2012).

#### 495 **5.5 Comparison of the Surma Group to other Miocene sandstones at 2,300 to 3,200m**

496 Miocene sandstones at buried to greater 2,000 m have been assessed for reservoir quality and  
497 diagenesis in several petroliferous basins around the world including those in SE Asia, Gulf of  
498 Mexico, Central Europe and California. They have several features in common that result from  
499 the rapid accumulation of sediment.

500 Mechanical compaction processes, especially ductile compaction, play a paramount role in  
501 controlling reservoir quality in many Miocene reservoirs, as well as the Surma Group sandstones  
502 discussed here. The rapid supply of mineralogically immature sediment, with an innate tendency  
503 to undergo ductile compaction, is important for Miocene sediments in parts of the Gulf of Mexico  
504 (Dutton et al., 2012), SE Asia (Worden et al., 2000) and Central Europe (Gier et al., 2008). The  
505 high rate of Miocene sediment accumulation, e.g. ten times that responsible for the accumulation  
506 and burial of the Brent Group in the North Sea, (Giles et al., 1992), suggests that there will have  
507 been limited time for the supplied sediment to become cleaned-up during transport from the  
508 hinterland to the site of final accumulation.

509 Similar to the Surma Group sandstones in the Bengal Basin, the important role of calcite cement,  
510 with a lesser role of dolomite cement, is common to most Miocene sandstones in SE Asia, Gulf  
511 of Mexico, Central Europe and California (Ali, 1995; Boles and Ramseyer, 1987; Dutton et al.,  
512 2012; Fayek et al., 2001; Gier et al., 2008). Where isotope studies have been undertaken (Ali,  
513 1995; Fayek et al., 2001), the carbonate cements were, like the Surma Group calcite cements,  
514 interpreted to be a result of a combination of marine (presumably bioclastic) sources and various  
515 organic sources.

516 Alteration of plagioclase grains is endemic to Miocene sandstones, and not just those in the  
517 Surma Group (Boles and Ramseyer, 1987; Dutton et al., 2012; Gier et al., 2008; Hirt et al., 1993).  
518 Also similar to the Surma Group, clay minerals in these sandstones typically represent a  
519 collection of depositional (smectite-illite) and early diagenetic (kaolinite) clays that have yet to  
520 achieve the illite-dominated characteristics typical of older sandstones at about 3,000m (and  
521 >100°C) burial

522 Quartz cement is routinely present in Miocene sediments buried to the 2,300 to 3,200 m (85 to  
523 115°C) found in the Surma Group sandstones in this study, but it is usually present in smaller  
524 amounts than would be expected in Mesozoic sandstones at this depth (temperature) range.  
525 Compared to the Surma Group sandstones, quartz cement was found in similar quantities in  
526 Miocene sandstones at similar depths in Central Europe (Gier et al., 2008) and SE Asia (Worden  
527 et al., 2000). At significantly greater depths of burial (and higher temperatures), rather more  
528 quartz cement is typically found in Miocene sandstones (Dutton et al., 2012; Worden et al., 2000)  
529 although porosity is typically higher than might be expected than for Mesozoic sandstones. The  
530 lack of quartz cement at >100°C in Miocene sandstones has been attributed to the lack of time  
531 available to grow quartz cement (Gier et al., 2008).

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## 534 **6. Conclusions**

- 535 1) The Miocene Surma Group in the Bengal Basin, buried to 2300 m and 3200 m, contains sub-  
536 arkosic to sub-litharenitic, tide-dominated, deltaic sandstones.
- 537 2) The main reservoir quality control in these young, but relatively deeply buried, sandstones is  
538 mechanical compaction. Depth of burial and the detrital ductile grain content had important  
539 controls on the extent of mechanical compaction. Lithic ductile-rich sandstones have  
540 undergone more compaction than ductile-poor sandstones.
- 541 3) Cement growth was less important than mechanical compaction in these sandstones, but  
542 poikilotopic calcite is the main diagenetic cement. This calcite grew (or dissolved and then  
543 reprecipitated) in meteoric water at relatively low temperature. Calcite cement was derived  
544 from a combination of marine bioclastic grains and organic CO<sub>2</sub> sources, such as biogenic  
545 breakdown or early thermal maturation.
- 546 4) Partly illitized smectite occurs in these sandstones and, where present, it locally blocks pore  
547 throats. Small amounts of kaolinite occurs as a partial replacement of feldspar grains. Fe-  
548 rich chlorite locally coats sand grains.
- 549 5) Quartz cement is not particularly important in these Miocene sandstones even though burial  
550 temperatures have reached >100°C; this is probably due to a combination of the limited time  
551 at elevated temperatures and the presence of grain-coating chlorite.
- 552 6) Reservoir quality in the Miocene Surma Group sandstones is predominantly limited by  
553 sediment supply (controlling ductile grain and clay mineral contents), depositional  
554 environment (influencing bioclast and clay mineral contents) and burial history (largely  
555 controlling the thermal stress).



556 7) Good reservoir quality sandstones, with high porosities (20 % to 30 %) and permeabilities (34  
557 to 1230 mD), have been observed at a range of depths (2300 m and 3200 m in Surma Group  
558 sandstones in the Bengal Basin. The best reservoir quality sandstones are fine to medium  
559 grained and show good sorting, have a low primary ductile grain content and a small amount  
560 of calcite cement (i.e. low primary bioclasts content).

561 8) Good reservoir quality sandstones are not uniformly distributed and instead are locally  
562 compartmentalized by poorly sorted and tightly compacted, ductile-rich sandstones, and  
563 sandstones with extensive cementation (poikilotopic calcite in particular) having porosity (3 -  
564 7 %) and permeability (0.15 – 1.4mD).

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574 **Figure captions**

575 Figure 1. Major tectonic elements of the Bengal Basin (Alam et al., 2003; Alam and Curray,  
576 2003) and locations of the petroleum exploration wells: BK-9 (Bakhrabad-9-Meghna Gas  
577 Field) BK-10 (Bakhrabad-10-Narshingdi Gas Field), JL-Jalalabad, SN-SaldaNadi, TT-11  
578 (Titas-11 of the Titas Gas Field), TT-15 (Titas-15 of the Titas Gas Field)

579 Figure 2. Lithofacies of the Surma Group (SG) encountered in BK-9 (Meghna), BK-10  
580 (Narshingdi), TT-11 (Titas-11) and TT-15 (Titas-15) wells. ●sample location

581 Figure 3. Burial history diagrams of: (a) Bakhrabad area (BAPEX, 1996) where BK-9  
582 (Bakhrabad-9 of the Meghna Gas Field) and BK-10 (Bakhrabad-10 of the Narshingdi Gas  
583 Field) wells are situated; (b) Titas Gas Field (Islam, 2009), in the Bengal Basin.

584 Figure 4. **a.** Photomicrograph showing long intergranular concavo-convex contacts between  
585 individual quartz grains and some suture contacts (sc), biotite (b) being altered to chlorite,  
586 partly dissolved carbonate grain (c) and feldspar (F), depth 2698.4 m, well TT-11 (Titas);  
587 **b.** BSE image showing brittle- and ductile-grain compaction, depth 2473 m, well JL-3  
588 (Jalalabad-3); **c.** deformed ductile grain (mica) occluding pore space and isolating  
589 remaining pore space as it extruded between rigid grains, depth 2307.9 m, well BK-9  
590 (Meghna); **d.** Pseudomatrix (Pm) formed due to mechanical compaction of clay clasts; **e.**  
591 Bioclast contributing carbonate cement generation, depth 2709.4 m, well TT-11 (Titas)

592 Figure 5. Modal composition and classification of the Surma Group sandstones in the Bengal  
593 Basin. The fields are from McBride (1963). For symbol explanation, see Figure 1.

594 Figure 6. Photomicrographs of sandstones showing: **(a)** Infiltrated clay minerals (Cl), partial to  
595 almost completely dissolved plagioclase **resulting** secondary porosity (SP), BK-9 well  
596 (Meghna) at depths 2308.5 and 2317.7 m; **(b)** mouldic secondary porosity (SP) with clay-

597 mineral rim -depth 2597 m, JL-2 (Jalalabad); (c) BSE image showing poikilotopic pore-  
598 filling intermediate calcite-depth 2789.9 m, well TT-11 (Titas); (d) Photomicrographs  
599 showing Poikilotopic pore-filling early calcite cement (Fe-C, Fe-calcite) - depth 2307 m,  
600 well BK-9 -2 (Meghna); (e) BSE image of isolated pore-filling late carbonate cement,  
601 depth 2659 m, well JL-2 (Jalalabad); (f) Isolate late carbonate cement associated with  
602 plagioclase dissolution (Pg-C)- depth 2588 m, well JL-2 (Jalalabad).

603 Figure 7. (a) XRD spectra (glycolated) of clay separate of sandstone at depth 2597 m, Jalalabad.  
604 (b) Characteristic energy dispersive secondary X-ray spectra of chlorite.

605 Figure 8. Scanning electron micrographs of sandstones showing: (a) BSE image of microporous  
606 vermiform kaolinite aggregates (K), thin chlorite rim (Ch), grain coating chlorite (gc-ch)  
607 depth 2608 m, well Jalalabad-2; (b) Platelets of authigenic chlorite (Ch) that retards quartz  
608 overgrowth (QO), depth 2307.9 m, well BK-9 (Meghna); (c) Pore filling Illite-smectite (Ill-  
609 sm), depth 2923.3 m, well BK-10 (Narshingdi); (d) BSE image of pore filling illite-  
610 smectite (Ill-sm), kaolinite (K) and dissolved feldspar (F), depth 2603 m, well JL-2  
611 (Jalalabad); (e) Pore-filling kaolinite (kaolinite, K, dickite, D; depth 3175.1 m, well BK-10  
612 (Narshingdi); (f) enlarged view of pore-filling kaolinite in Fig. 8e.

613 Figure 9. (a) Photomicrograph of sandstone showing quartz overgrowth occluding pore throats,  
614 depth 2588 m, well JL-2 (Jalalabad); (b to d) Scanning electron micrographs of sandstones  
615 showing: b. SEM-CL image of quartz cement partially narrowing pore throat, depth 2608  
616 m, well JL-2 (Jalalabad); c. Interlocking quartz cement (QO) reducing pore throat), depth  
617 2989.9 m, well TT-11 (Titas); d. Well developed quartz overgrowth (QO) hindering  
618 chlorite (Ch) development, depth 3131.3 m, well TT-15 (Titas); e. BSE image showing  
619 feldspar overgrowth on plagioclase, depth 2659 m, well JL-2 (Jalalabad); f. Framboidal  
620 aggregates of pyrite, depth 3135 m, well TT-15 (Titas-15).

621 Figure 10.  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  versus  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  for calcite of the Surma Group sandstones, Bengal Basin. Data from  
622 Rahman and McCann (2012) are from northeastern Bengal Basin (Fig. 1). Low  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  values  
623 typically represent growth at high temperatures. Low  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  values represent little bioclastic  
624 input influencing the carbonate, but more kerogen-derived  $\text{CO}_2$ .

625 Figure 11. Porosity (point counted, %) versus depth and ductile grain contents compared to  
626 modelled mechanical compaction curves (Worden et al., 2000; Worden et al., 1997).

627 Figure 12. Core porosity vs. core permeability of the Surma Group sandstones, Bengal Basin.  
628 Data have been split by detrital ductile content and into shallow (<2700m) and deep  
629 (>2700m) samples.

630 Figure 13. Paragenetic sequences for the sandstone of the Surma Group.

631 Figure 14 Cross plot of derived formation water  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  versus temperature for a range of  
632 poikilotopic calcite  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  values using the calcite-water oxygen isotope fractionation  
633 equation in Friedman and O'Neill (1977). The mean calcite  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  value is -9.3‰ VPDB  
634 with a maximum of -6.9‰ and a minimum of -11.7‰. If we assume that the calcite grew  
635 at low temperature ( $\sim 30^\circ\text{C}$ ), before mechanical compaction reduced the IGV to less than  
636 41%, then the water from which calcite grew must have had a relatively low  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  value  
637 typical of meteoric water (between -4 and -9‰ VSMOW, with a mean of -7‰). If  
638 seawater had been responsible for calcite growth, this could only have occurred at a  
639 temperature of approximately  $71^\circ\text{C}$  (with a range from 55 to  $100^\circ\text{C}$ ); such temperatures are  
640 incompatible with the high IGV values.

641 Figure 15. Intergranular volume ( %) versus cement ( %). Diagram after (Houseknecht, 1987).

642 Figure 16. Core porosity-permeability controls: (a) Porosity versus calcite cement, (b)  
643 Permeability versus calcite cement, (c) Porosity versus clay mineral cement, (d)  
644 Permeability versus clay mineral cement, (e) Porosity versus quartz cement, (f)  
645 Permeability versus quartz cement.

646 Figure 17. Relationship between petrographically-determined authigenic chlorite and quartz  
647 cement split by present day (maximum) depth of burial. Quartz cement is only present at >  
648 4 % when chlorite is present at < 2 %. The maximum amount of quartz cement increases  
649 in more deeply buried (i.e. hotter) samples.

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651 **Table caption**

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653 Table 1 Stratigraphic succession of the Bengal Basin (after Rahman and McCann, 2012).

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655 Table 2 Petrographic and stable-isotope composition, as well as porosity-permeability values for  
656 the 85 analysed sandstone samples encountered in seven petroleum exploration wells (JL-2-  
657 Jalalabad 2, JL-3-Jalalabad 3, BK-9-Bakhrabad 9, BK-10-Bakhrabad 10, SN-1). The Gazzi-  
658 Dickinson method was used for point counting (Dickinson, 1985; Dickinson and Suczek, 1979).  
659 Only calcite-cement content and isotope values are given for sandstone of the Salda Nadi well.

660 IGV: intergranular volume

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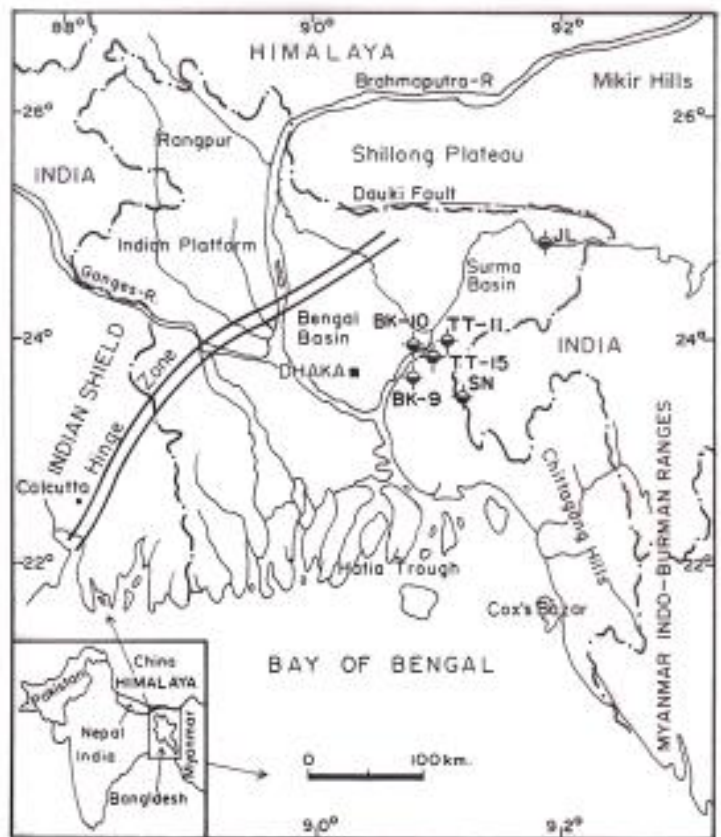


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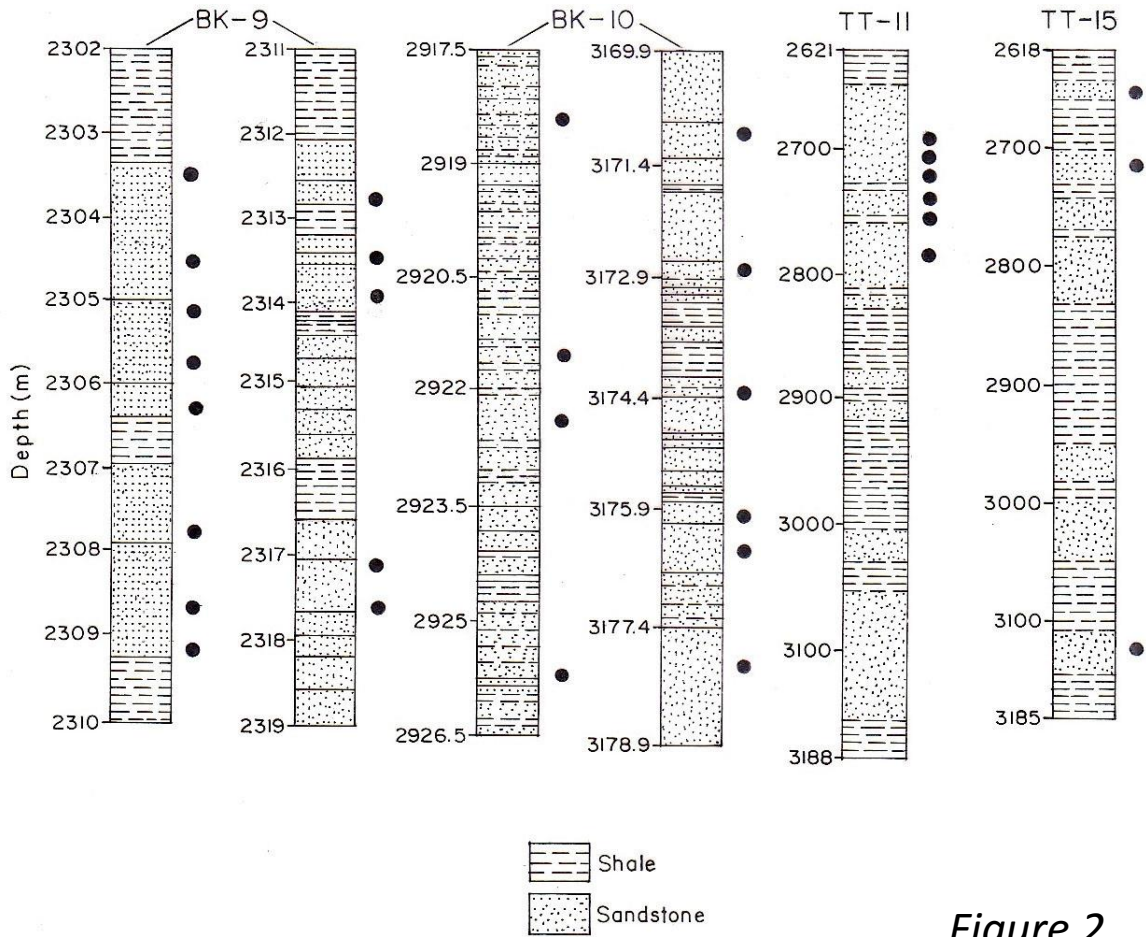


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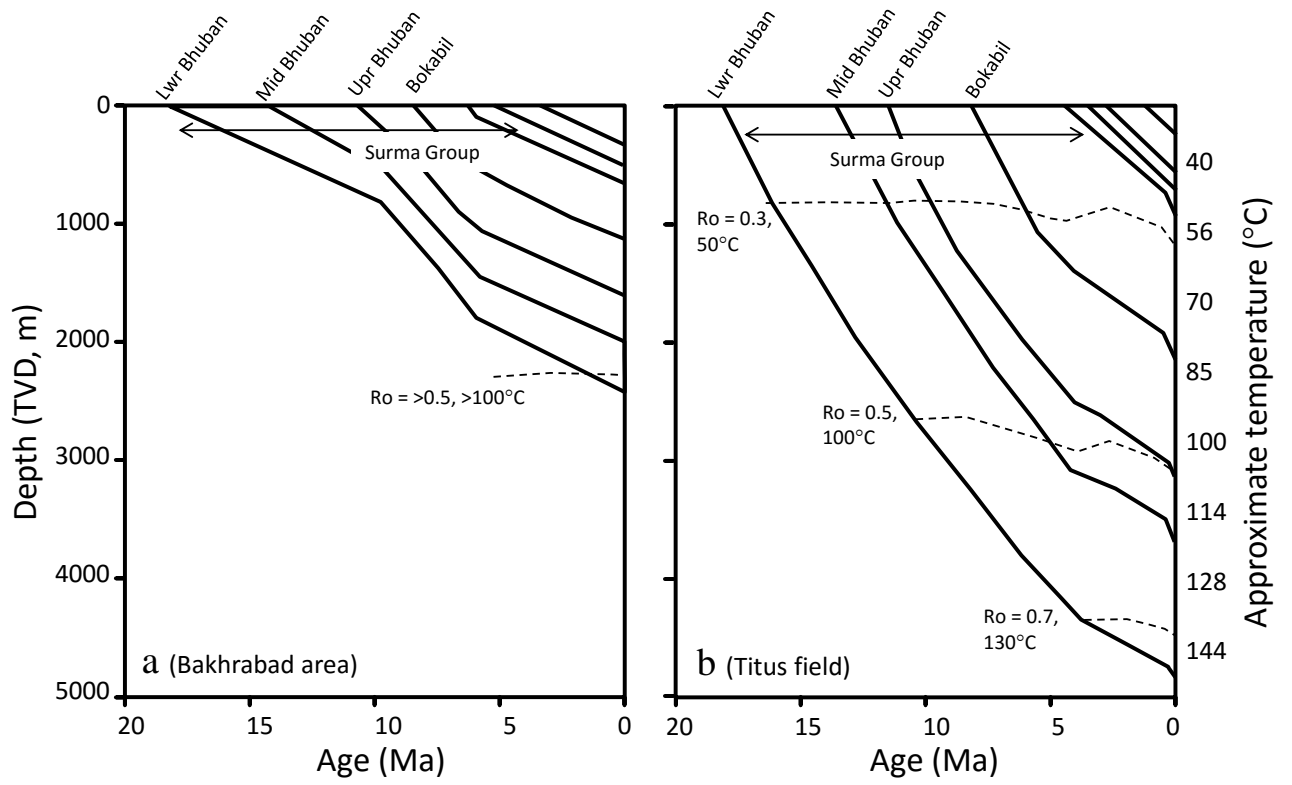
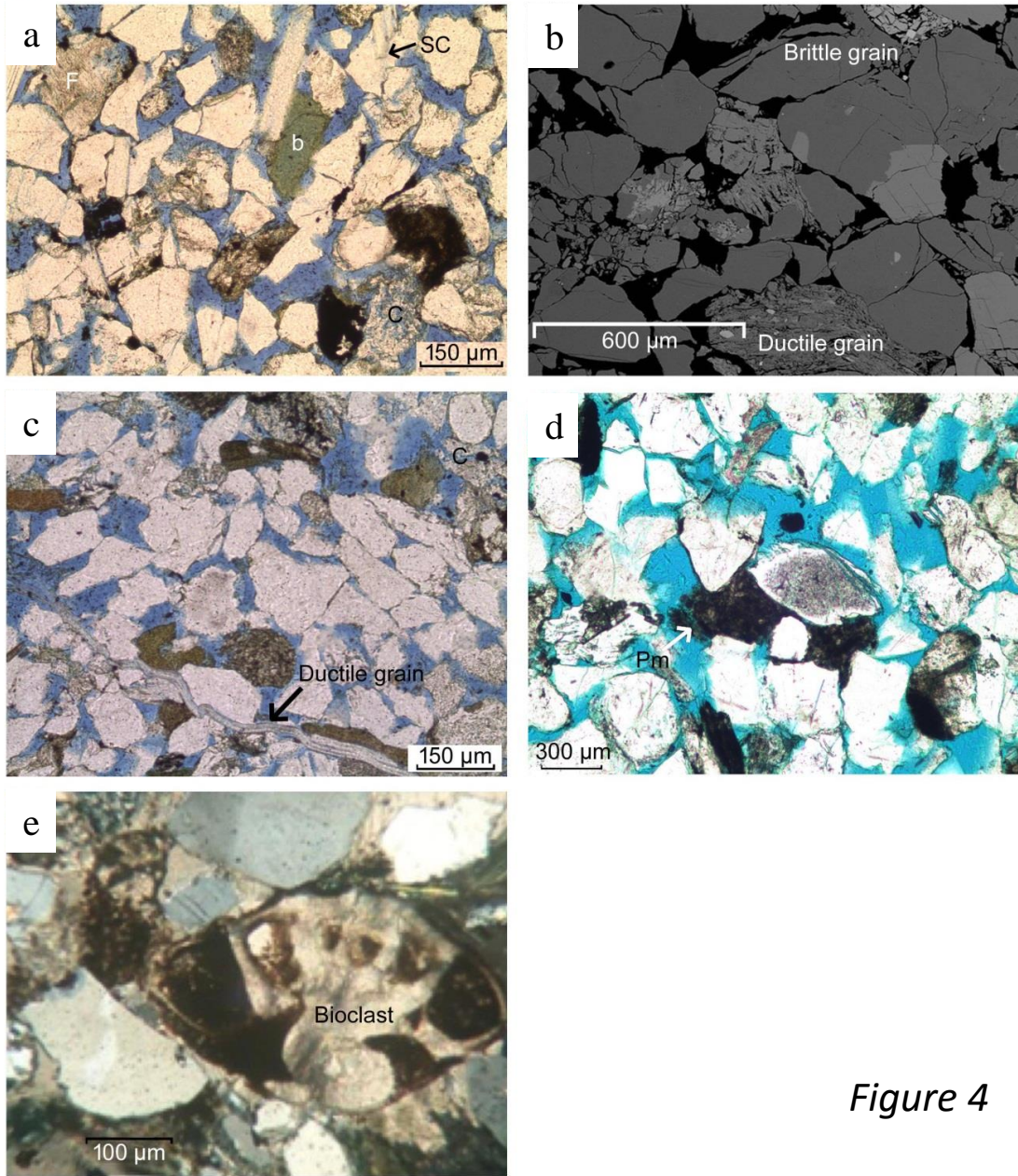


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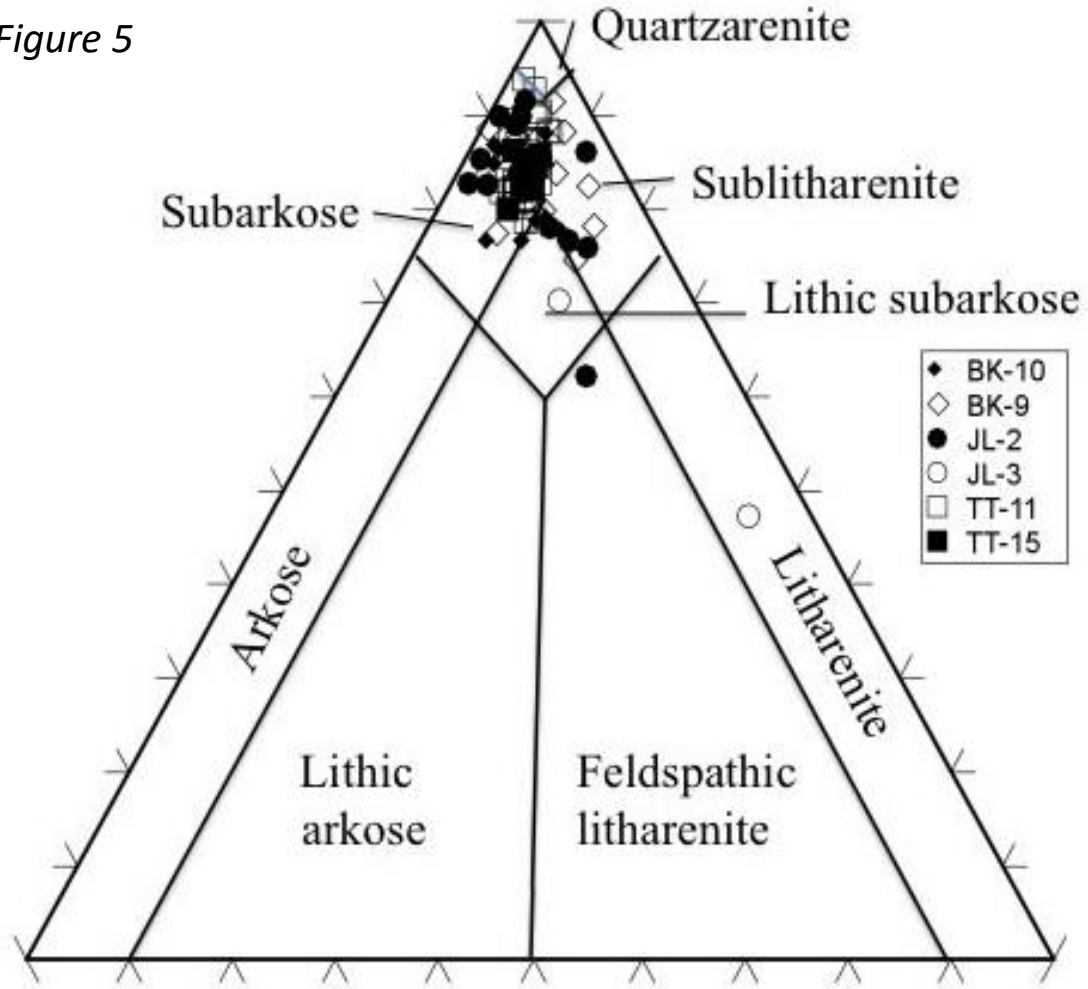
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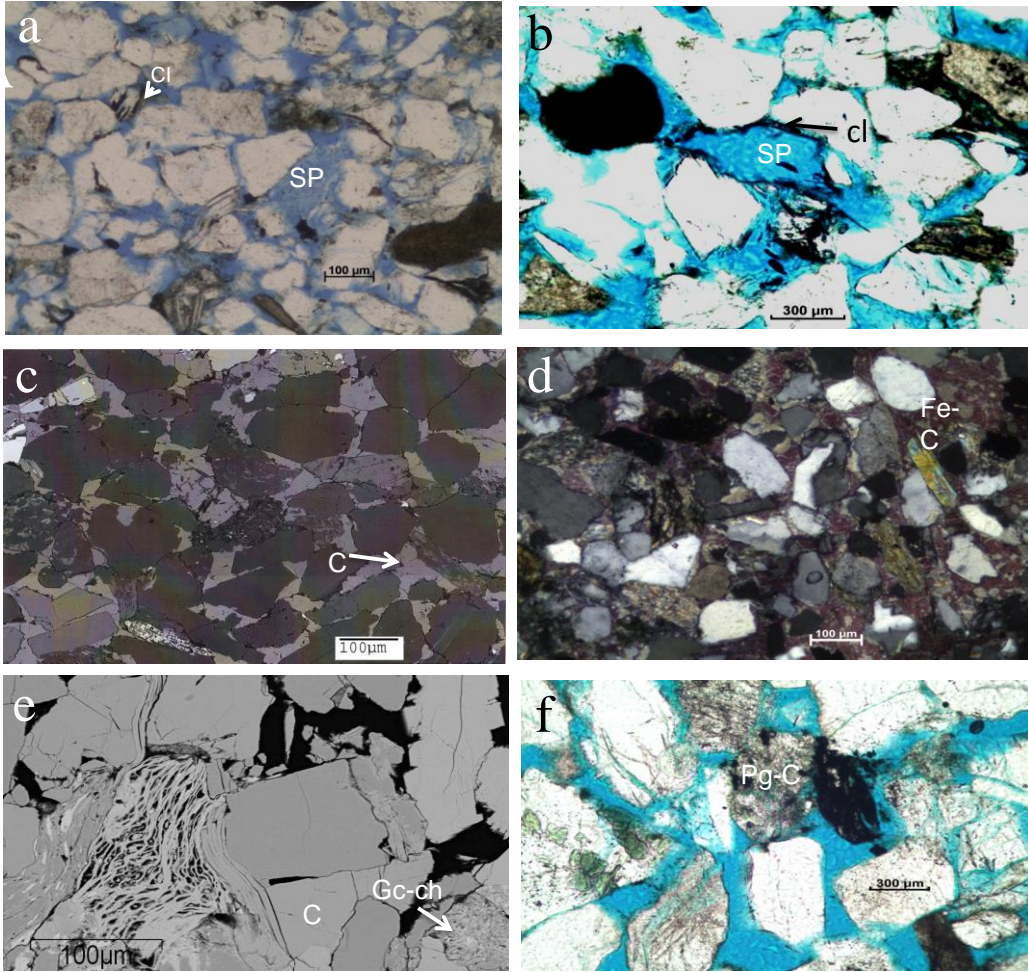


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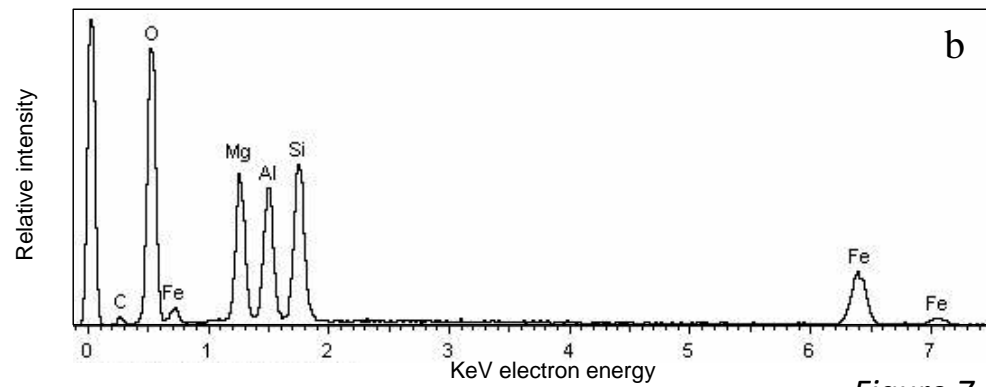
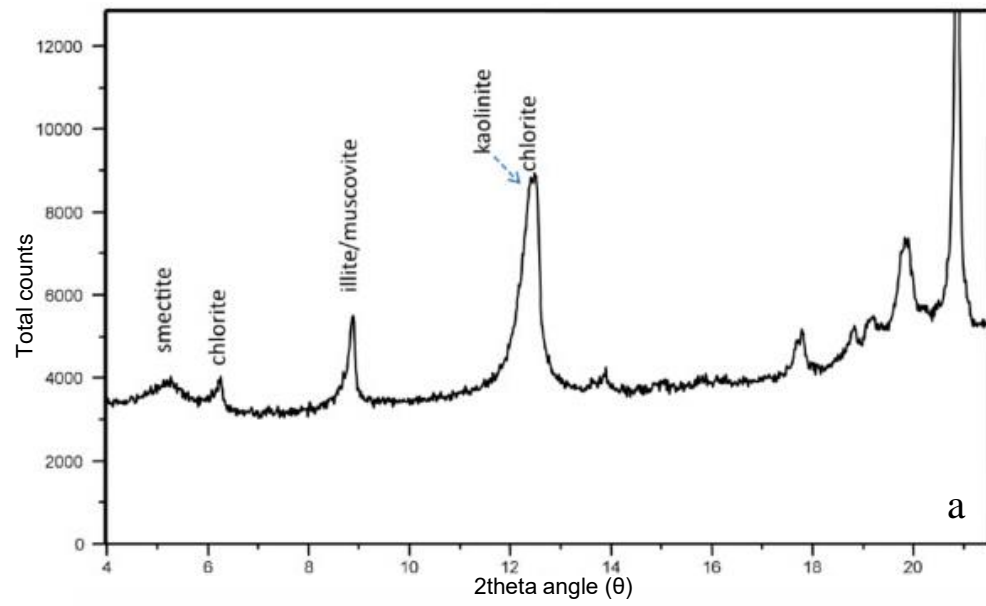


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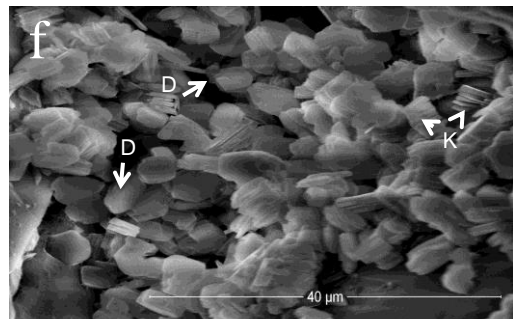
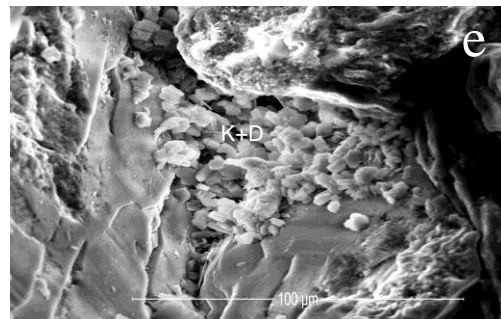
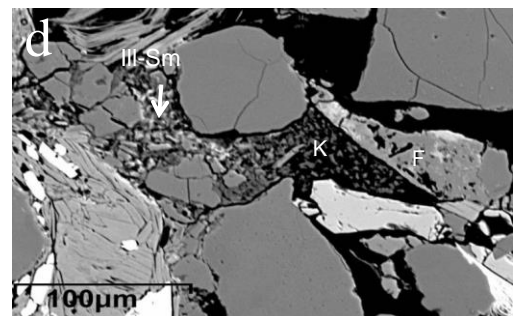
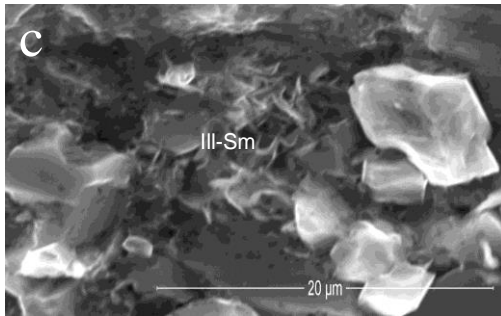
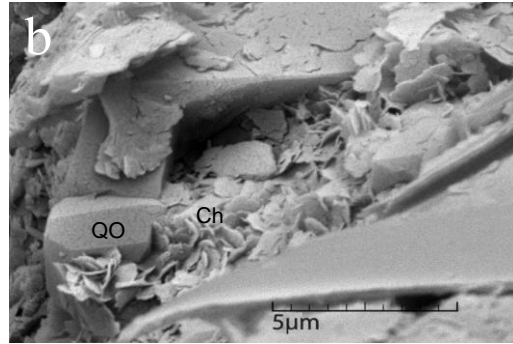
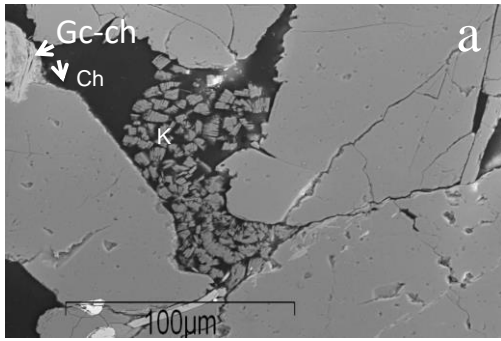


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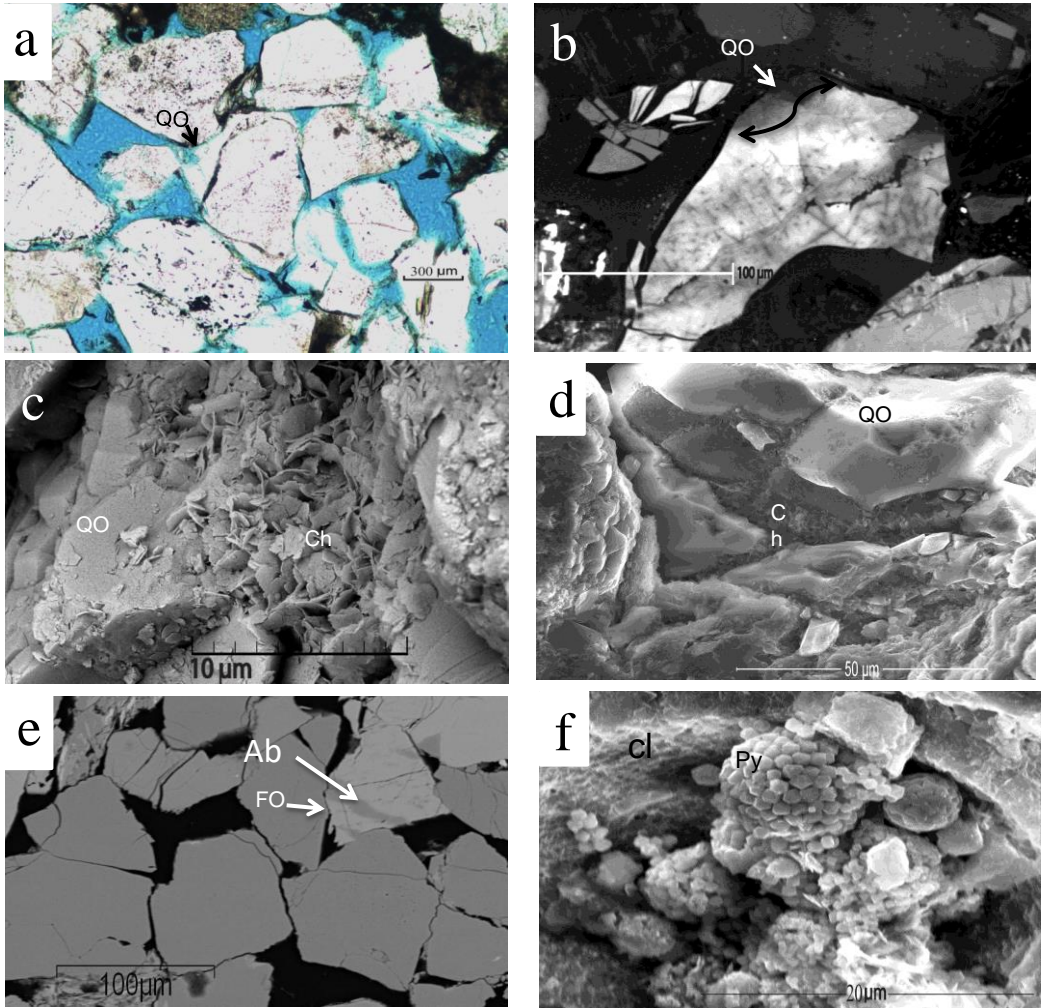


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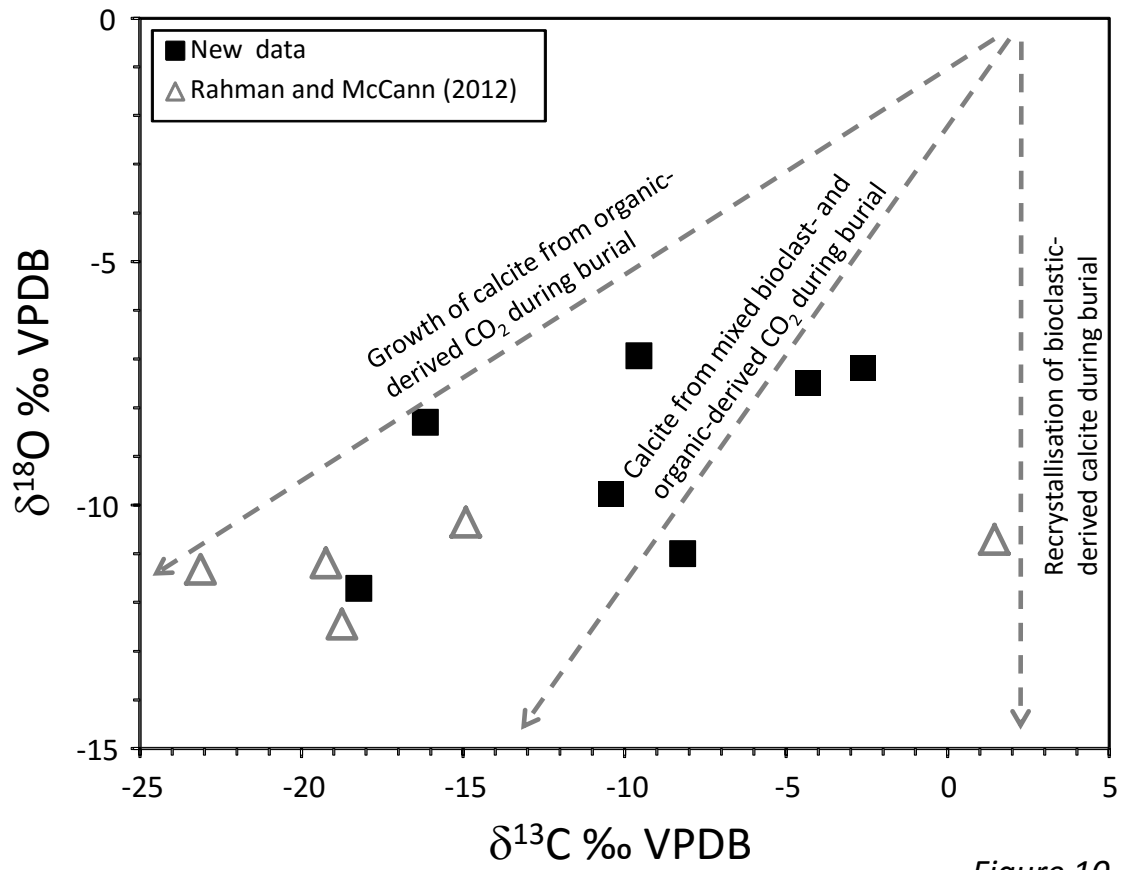


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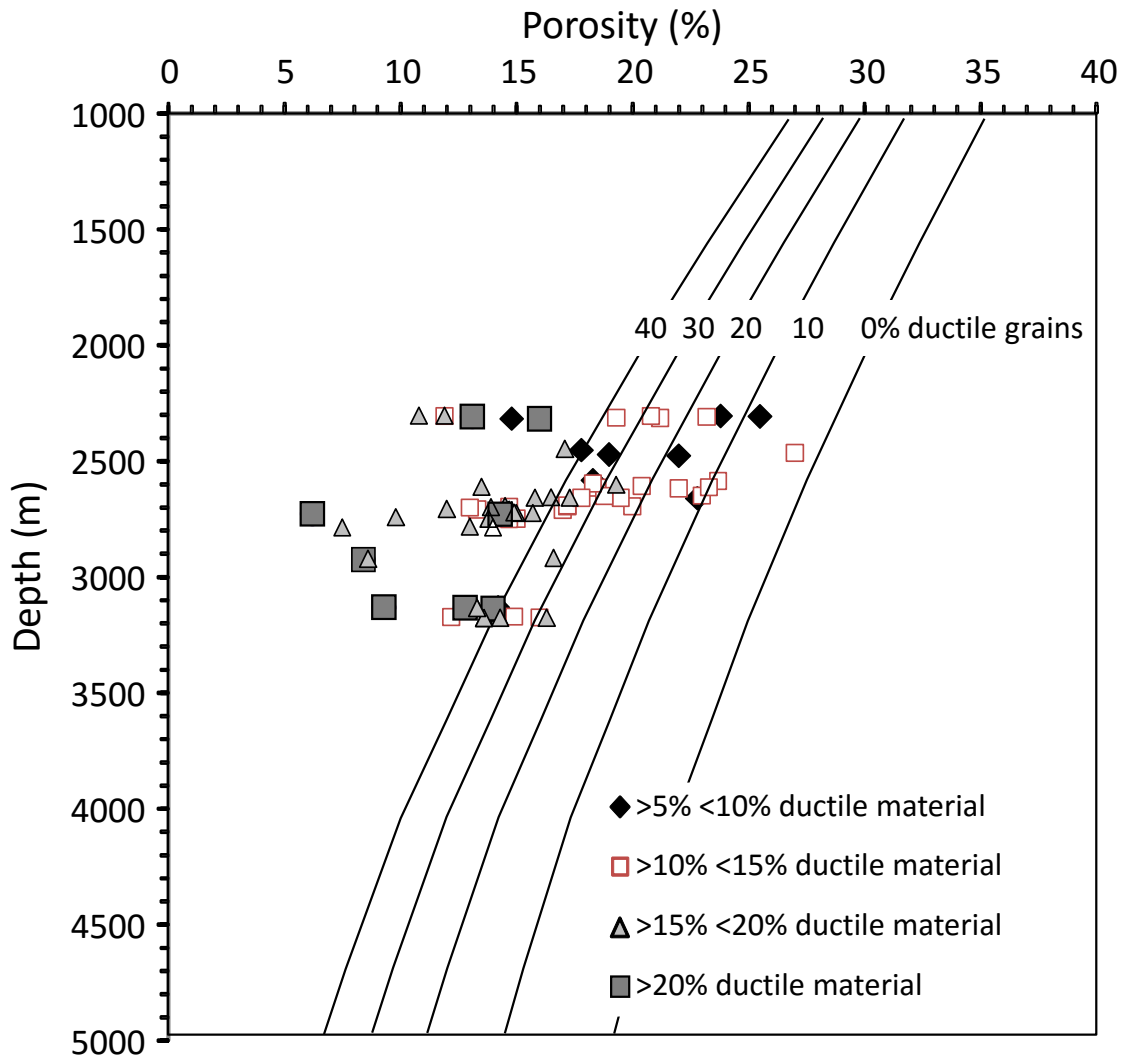


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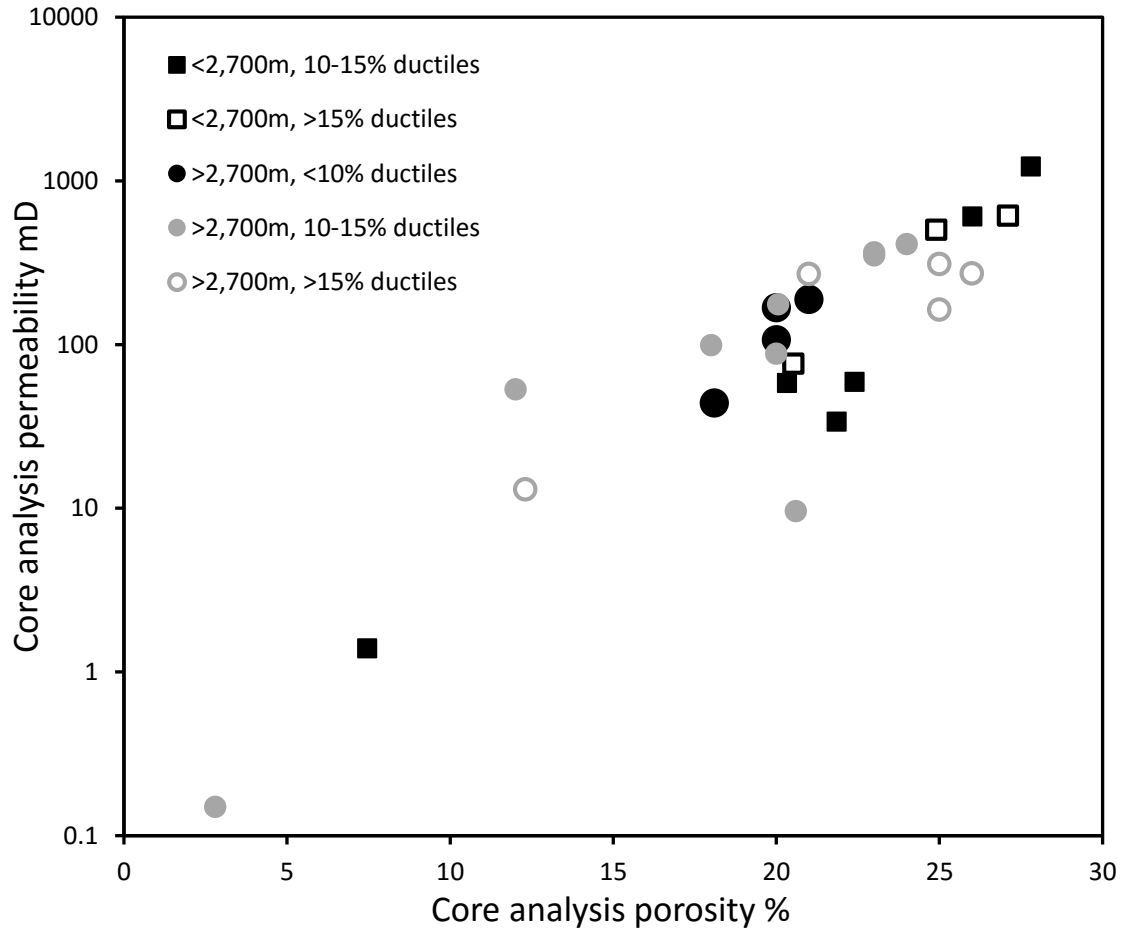


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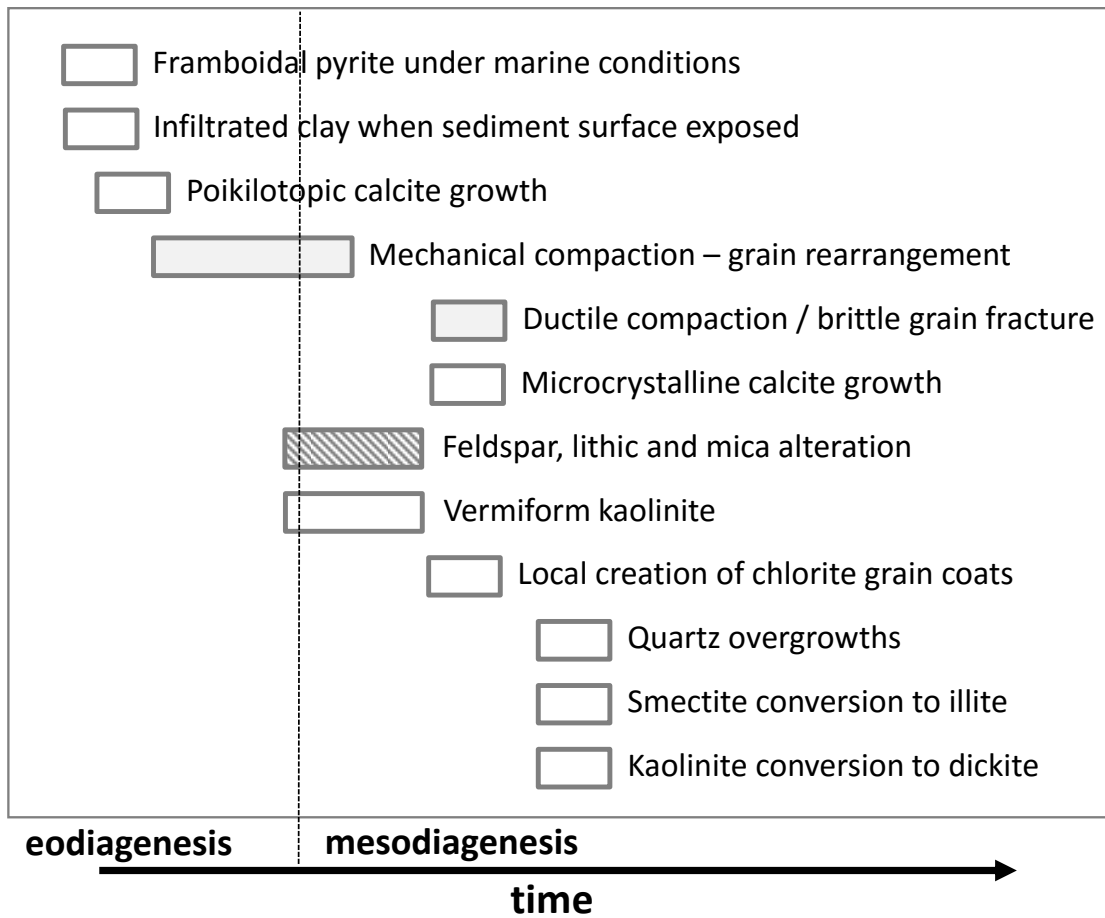


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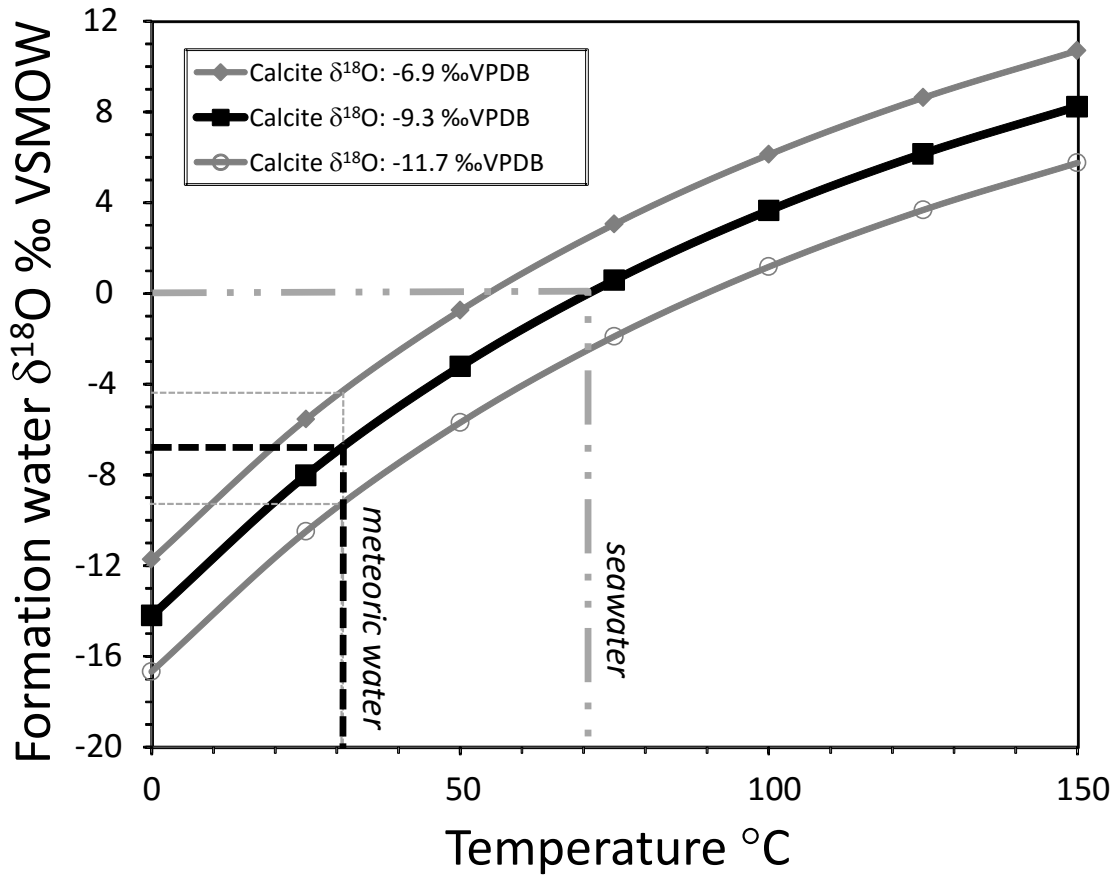


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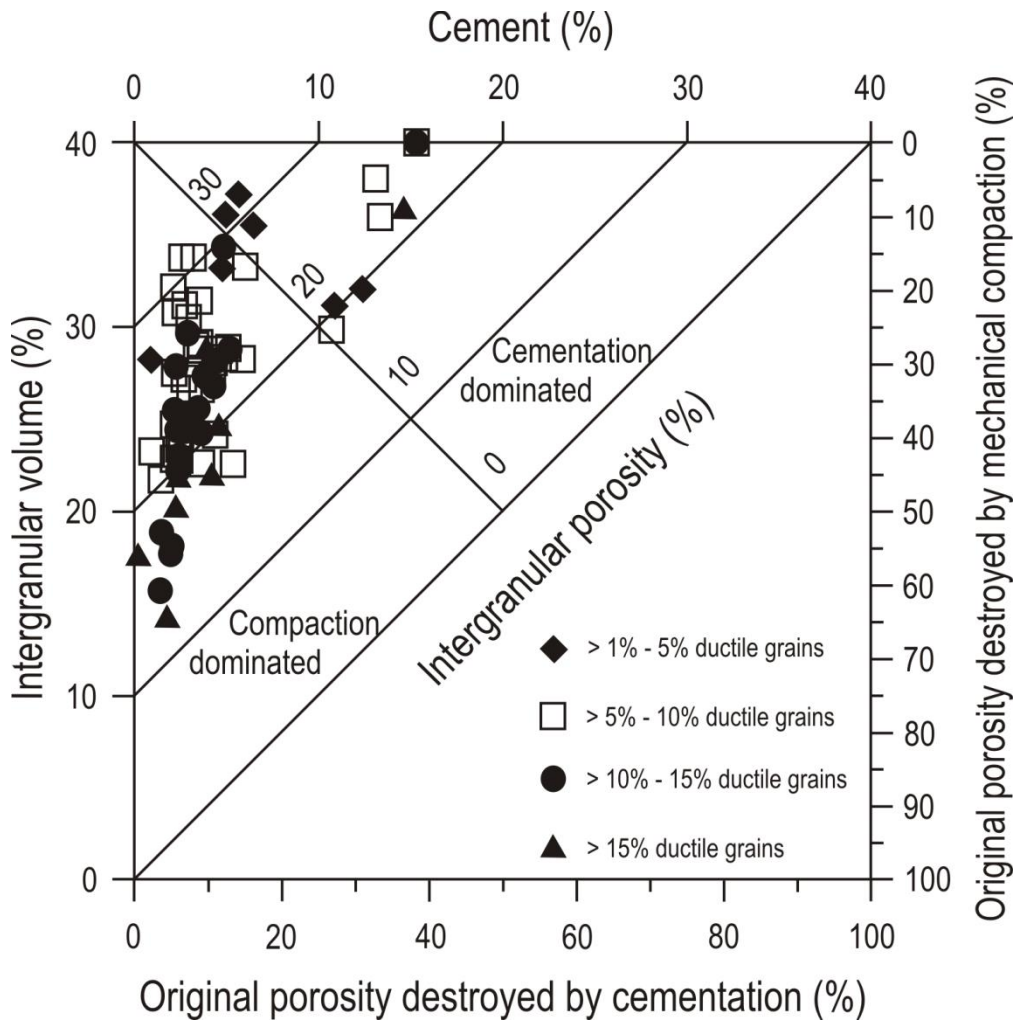


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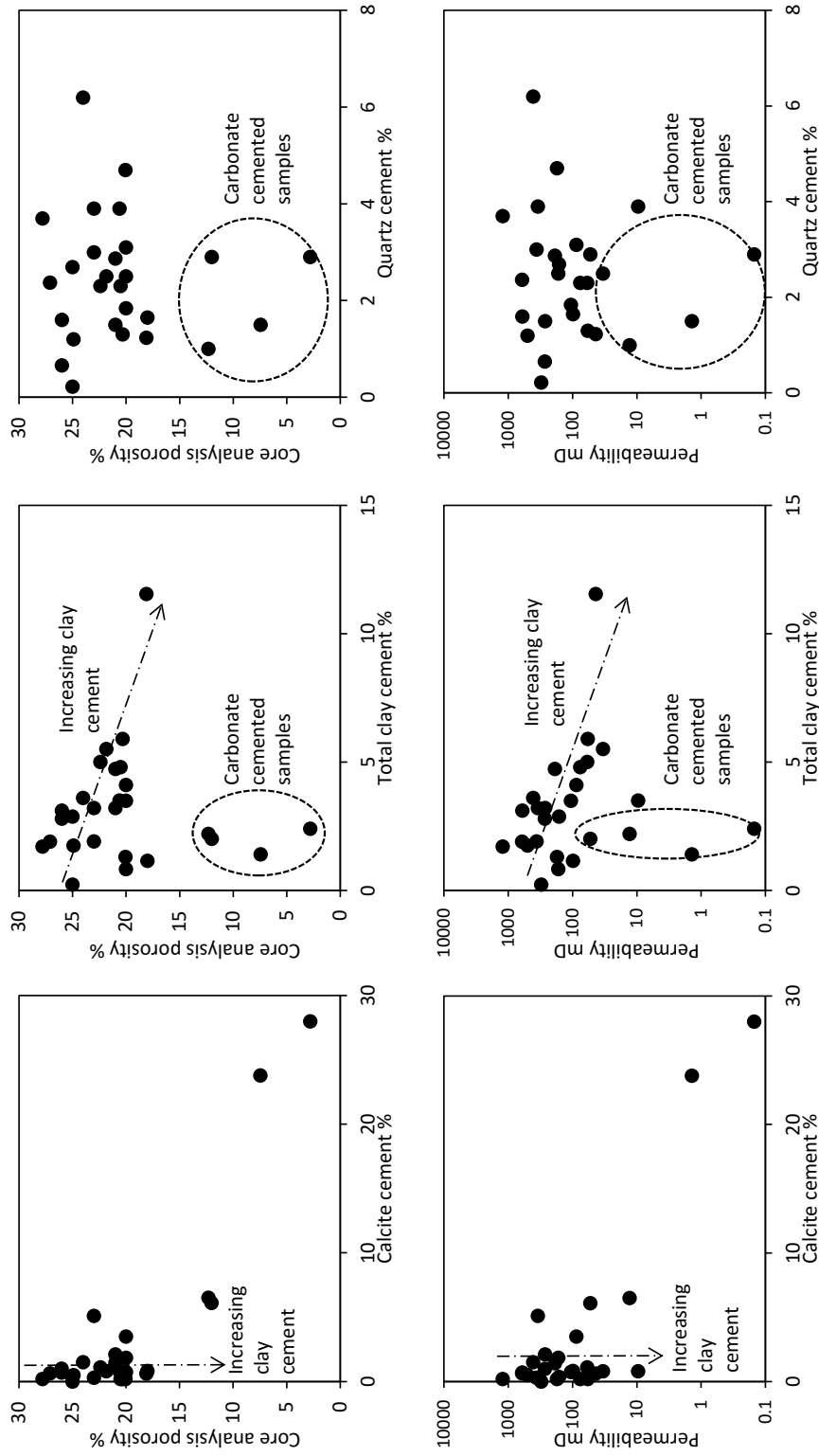


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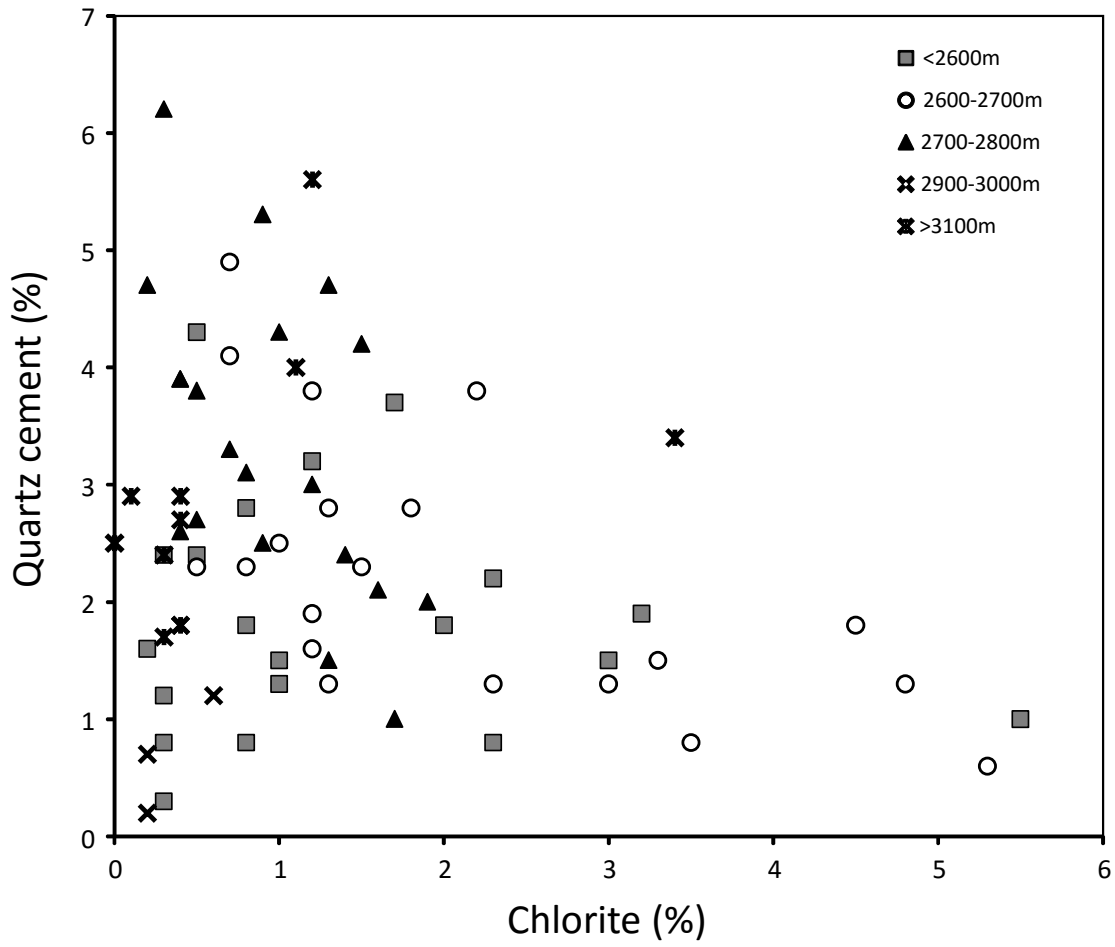


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Table 1 Stratigraphic succession of the Bengal Basin (after Rahman and McCann, 2012).

Age (approx.)	Group/ Formation (Fm.)	Lithology	Environment of deposition
Plio-Pleistocene	Dihing Fm.	Silty sandstone and claystone; boulder and pebble beds	Fluvial
	Dupi Tila Fm.	Massive sandstone and clay	
Pliocene	Tipam Group	Massive to cross bedded sandstone, minor shale and clay	Fluvial
Miocene	Surma Group	Alternating siltstone and shale with sandstone Alternation of siltstone with shale and sandstone Silty and sandy shale Sandstone and sandy shale Unconformity	Deltaic-shallow marine
	Boka Bil Fm.  Bhuban Fm.		
Oligocene	Barail Group	Sandstone, shale, coal	Deltaic-shallow marine
Paleocene-Eocene	Jaintia Group	Limestone, sandstone, shale	Open marine

Table 2 (part 1)

Well	Depth (m)	Quartz monocrystal albite	Quartz polycrystal fine	Chert K-feldspar	Plagioclase	Detrital Biotite	Detrital muscovite	Lithics- sedimentary	Lithics metamorphic	Lithics volcanic	Detrital carbonate clasts	Matrix clay	Quartz/Chlorite cement	Calcite cement	Clay cements	Primary porosity	Secondary porosity	IGV	$\delta^{13}C_{\text{‰}}$ VPDB	$\delta^{18}O_{\text{‰}}$ VPDB	core analysis porosity %	core analysis permeability mD
JL-2(1)	2582.0	38.7	14.3	1.5	1.8	6.8	0.0	0.5	0.7	0.0	0.2	0.5	3.0	0.8	2.3	18.3	2.3	33.2				
JL-2(2)	2588.0	36.5	6.9	1.1	2.2	3.6	0.3	0.0	5.0	1.7	0.0	3.6	2.0	2.8	0.8	2.2	2.2	33.7				
JL-2(4)	2595.3	28.9	6.0	2.8	4.9	3.9	1.8	0.4	3.5	10.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.7	26.5	4.3	36.5				
JL-2(6)	2597.0	36.5	6.3	0.0	3.0	2.3	2.0	0.0	2.5	0.0	0.0	0.5	1.5	1.0	5.5	+11.8	6.3	18.3	2.0	32.5		
JL-2(7)	2603.0	34.3	6.5	0.0	1.8	1.8	1.5	1.0	2.0	1.5	0.0	0.3	1.3	1.8	4.5	+10.5	8.8	19.3	3.0	35.5		
JL-2(8)	2606.0	40.3	0.7	1.0	1.3	0.0	1.3	2.3	4.2	1.3	0.0	0.0	1.3	0.7	3.2	+19	2.6	17.0	3.6	24.8		
JL-2(9)	2608.0	36.0	7.1	1.1	2.2	3.0	1.9	0.6	5.8	2.5	0.0	1.9	1.9	3.8	2.2	4.9	1.1	20.4	2.2	34.4		
JL-2(10)	2612.0	45.5	3.8	0.9	3.3	1.7	1.4	0.9	5.4	5.5	0.0	2.5	1.8	0.6	5.3	1.2	1.9	13.5	3.2	24.3		
JL-2(12)	2613.0	35.8	3.3	0.5	3.8	3.8	1.0	1.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	1.0	4.8	0.8	3.5	8.3	6.0	23.3	2.3	46.5		
JL-2(13)	2615.0	41.5	4.8	0.5	1.5	3.8	0.5	0.5	2.3	0.0	0.0	1.0	3.3	1.3	4.8	7.3	6.0	18.5	2.5	41.0		
JL-2(14)	2619.1	40.8	4.0	0.0	2.3	1.3	0.3	0.3	0.8	0.8	0.0	1.8	1.3	2.8	1.8	9.5	7.3	22.0	3.3	44.5		
JL-2(15)	2650.0	37.3	6.0	0.0	2.0	0.8	1.3	0.5	0.3	1.0	0.0	0.3	0.8	1.3	3.0	+12.3	7.5	23.0	2.5	35.5		
JL-2(16)	2658.0	39.3	6.0	1.5	2.5	2.3	1.0	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.0	0.0	2.5	1.3	2.3	+12.3	8.3	18.8	0.8	33.1		
JL-2(17)	2659.0	35.5	7.0	0.3	3.0	4.3	1.3	1.3	0.5	1.3	0.0	0.8	2.0	1.5	3.3	+10.8	5.8	19.5	0.8	32.0		
JL-2(18)	2662.0	42.8	9.8	0.3	3.3	1.5	0.3	0.5	1.0	0.8	0.0	1.3	0.5	2.3	1.5	8.0	2.3	22.8	1.3	37.3		
JL-3(3)	2448.4	38.7	5.7	2.5	6.3	2.5	0.5	1.4	6.2	4.7	0.2	1.1	0.8	1.9	3.2	0.8	3.6	17.1	1.6	27.4		
JL-3(4)	2454.2	37.6	10.5	1.3	3.0	2.3	1.0	0.0	0.8	1.0	0.0	0.3	1.3	1.8	2.0	+13.8	3.2	17.8	2.5	26.0		
JL-3(5)	2467.2	26.1	7.5	1.0	2.6	2.0	0.3	0.3	33.0	0.7	0.3	1.6	2.6	0.7	0.0	8.1	11.7	1.6	24.7			
JL-3(7)	2466.1	33.3	3.0	0.3	1.8	1.5	0.8	0.5	0.3	0.8	0.0	1.0	2.8	1.5	3.0	+12.3	7.3	27.0	2.3	41.5		
JL-3(8)	2473.2	37.5	10.8	2.0	5.0	3.3	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.8	0.0	0.5	0.5	1.8	0.8	8.8	4.8	19.0	3.8	35.6		
JL-3(9)	2478.2	41.2	10.0	0.5	2.9	2.2	0.5	0.2	0.0	2.2	0.0	1.0	2.0	1.3	1.0	7.6	2.4	22.0	2.0	36.2		
BK-9(1)	2303.5	48.3	5.2	5.2	0.8	3.5	0.5	2.2	1.7	10.5	0.0	0.0	1.5	1.2	0.3	0.5	1.5	10.8	3.6	15.7		504
BK-9(2)	2304.6	45.8	4.3	5.9	3.5	3.5	0.6	1.9	3.5	8.7	0.0	0.0	0.9	2.4	0.5	0.6	1.4	10.8	4.7	17.7		614
BK-9(3)	2305.2	28.0	15.8	8.3	2.7	3.0	4.3	3.0	0.7	2.7	0.0	0.0	1.5	3.7	1.7	0.2	0.0	20.8	3.3	27.9		27.8
BK-9(4)	2305.8	37.3	10.0	10.8	5.3	1.8	1.0	0.8	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	2.3	0.3	0.3	1.0	0.8	23.8	4.3	28.3		
BK-9(5)	2306.4	38.5	5.7	8.3	1.8	4.6	1.4	2.1	2.9	4.0	0.0	0.0	1.3	1.6	0.2	0.8	2.4	11.9	6.4	18.1		
BK-9(6)	2307.0	34.0	10.0	7.5	1.0	0.7	0.8	1.3	0.3	2.8	0.0	0.0	1.2	0.5	0.3	37.0	1.8	0.2	0.3	41.0		7.5
BK-9(7)	2307.9	26.0	15.2	8.7	2.5	1.5	0.8	1.8	0.2	3.2	0.0	0.0	2.0	2.2	2.3	1.3	0.5	25.5	5.3	33.8		
BK-9(8)	2308.8	33.2	6.2	5.5	3.5	2.7	2.0	1.5	1.3	3.3	0.0	0.0	3.7	4.3	0.5	0.5	0.0	23.2	5.7	32.1		
BK-9(9)	2309.2	45.3	1.9	3.6	0.8	1.6	4.3	4.4	2.3	6.1	0.0	0.0	1.7	0.8	0.8	1.8	2.1	13.1	5.1	20.3		
BK-9(10)	2310.7	43.7	1.9	1.6	1.4	0.5	2.0	3.7	1.4	3.0	0.0	0.0	1.4	0.3	0.0	31.2	6.7	0.5	0.8	40.1		
BK-9(11)	2312.8	35.0	9.5	10.3	6.8	4.3	2.0	2.5	0.5	4.0	0.5	0.0	1.8	0.8	0.3	0.5	0.8	19.3	1.3	23.3		1.4
BK-9(12)	2313.5	33.0	11.3	9.3	3.2	1.5	1.3	1.0	3.8	1.2	0.0	0.0	3.2	1.5	0.7	23.8	0.7	0.0	4.5	29.9		
BK-9(13)	2314.2	30.3	13.3	9.7	2.3	2.8	3.5	1.7	0.0	2.5	0.0	0.0	4.2	3.2	1.2	0.8	0.2	21.2	1.8	30.8		
BK-9(14)	2317.2	38.4	4.2	3.6	2.6	1.0	2.6	6.5	0.7	4.7	0.0	0.0	2.6	2.4	0.3	0.2	2.9	16.0	10.7	24.5		
BK-10(1)	2317.7	36.5	14.8	6.5	4.0	4.3	1.8	1.5	0.0	2.0	0.0	0.0	3.5	1.5	1.0	0.0	1.0	14.8	6.5	21.8		
BK-10(2)	2918.5	53.5	3.7	2.0	2.0	2.4	3.7	9.7	0.1	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.0	16.6	5.5	17.7		310
BK-10(3)	2921.7	56.0	2.0	0.9	0.9	6.6	1.1	3.1	0.1	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.6	1.2	0.6	0.6	10.9	8.6	4.8	22.6		18.1
BK-10(4)	2922.3	43.7	1.9	1.6	1.6	1.4	2.0	3.7	0.5	3.0	0.0	0.0	1.4	0.3	0.0	31.2	6.7	0.5	0.8	40.1		
BK-10(5)	2925.8	42.9	7.6	4.9	4.9	4.9	5.4	5.8	1.6	5.4	0.0	0.0	1.5	0.7	0.2	1.0	2.6	8.4	2.8	14.3		272
BK-10(6)	3170.8	44.9	3.9	5.5	6.6	0.9	2.0	0.2	4.2	4.2	0.0	0.0	1.8	1.8	0.4	0.7	3.1	14.9	6.4	22.8		20.0
BK-10(7)	3173.0	54.5	0.9	1.9	1.9	5.5	1.4	5.7	0.4	0.9	0.0	0.0	1.4	2.9	0.1	1.4	4.6	12.2	5.5	22.7		21.0
BK-10(8)	3174.2	49.1	3.8	2.2	2.2	3.3	0.5	1.7	0.2	5.2	0.0	0.0	1.7	2.5	0.0	1.8	0.8	16.0	8.7	22.9		168
BK-10(9)	3176.0	46.3	4.1	0.9	0.9	5.2	3.4	3.2	0.9	7.7	0.0	0.0	1.8	2.7	0.4	0.4	2.5	14.3	4.8	22.0		25.0
BK-10(10)	3176.3	47.1	2.8	0.8	0.8	6.3	2.4	2.4	0.8	5.7	0.0	0.0	0.8	2.4	0.3	0.2	3.1	16.3	7.0	23.1		18.9
BK-10(11)	3177.8	48.6	6.8	4.0	4.0	3.6	2.5	2.1	1.5	6.6	0.0	0.0	1.7	1.7	0.3	0.8	0.8	13.6	1.8	18.9		99

Table 2 (part 2)

Well	Depth (m)	Quartz monocryst alline	Quartz polycryst line	Chert	K-feldspar	Plagioclase	Detrital Biotite	Detrital muscovite	Lithics sedimentary	Lithics metamorphic	Lithics volcanic	Detrital carbonate clasts	Matrix clay	Quartz cement	Chlorite cement	Calcite cement	Clay cements	Primary porosity	Secondary porosity	IGV	$\delta^{13}C$ ‰ VPDB	$\delta^{18}O$ ‰ VPDB	core analysis porosity %	core analysis permeability mD	
TT-11(1)	2691.7	30.4	11.6	9.4	3.5	4.3	3.6	2.0	0.7	3.8	0.0	0.4	2.9	1.6	1.2	0.7	1.9	17.2	4.6	25.5			26.0	608	
TT-11(2)	2693.5	32.9	11.0	9.7	4.1	3.6	3.8	2.8	0.6	3.6	0.0	0.4	3.3	1.9	1.2	0.8	2.7	14.5	2.7	24.4					
TT-11(3)	2696.1	33.9	12.6	5.2	3.6	4.0	2.2	2.6	0.7	4.5	0.0	0.0	3.3	2.8	1.3	1.3	1.7	3.2	3.2	27.2					
TT-11(4)	2696.3	30.2	14.3	9.2	3.7	4.3	3.2	1.7	0.5	3.3	0.0	0.3	2.2	3.8	1.2	0.3	0.0	20.0	1.8	27.5					
TT-11(5)	2697.0	30.7	12.6	11.0	3.9	3.8	3.3	2.3	0.6	3.5	0.0	0.4	2.5	4.1	0.7	1.3	1.3	14.7	3.9	24.6					
TT-11(6)	2698.4	30.3	12.7	9.2	3.5	3.8	3.7	2.7	0.5	3.4	0.0	0.3	3.1	4.9	0.7	0.7	2.3	13.9	4.2	25.6					
TT-11(7)	2701.1	32.1	11.2	10.0	4.0	3.5	2.2	1.7	0.8	3.3	0.0	0.8	3.9	5.3	0.9	1.4	2.9	13.0	2.5	27.4			5.0	3	
TT-11(8)	2707.5	30.6	15.1	7.3	4.7	3.0	2.2	0.6	1.8	4.8	0.0	0.0	5.5	6.2	0.3	1.5	3.3	12.0	0.9	28.8			24.0	410	
TT-11(9)	2708.9	31.7	13.1	8.6	3.4	3.7	2.2	1.3	0.9	3.7	0.0	0.0	2.8	3.9	0.4	5.1	2.8	13.3	2.7	28.3			23.0	350	
TT-11(10)	2709.4	30.3	10.0	7.3	3.8	2.5	2.1	1.5	1.0	3.7	0.2	1.7	2.7	2.9	1.2	28.0	1.2	0.0	0.4	36.0			2.8	0.15	
TT-11(11)	2710.7	30.7	14.2	8.3	5.0	3.3	2.0	1.8	1.3	4.8	0.0	0.7	2.5	3.0	1.2	0.3	0.7	17.0	3.0	24.7			23.0	365	
TT-11(12)	2711.2	34.7	8.8	8.0	2.8	2.6	2.9	4.1	1.6	3.7	0.0	0.4	2.6	3.9	0.4	0.8	3.1	14.7	4.9	25.5			20.6	9.6	
TT-11(13)	2712.7	35.0	12.1	8.0	3.8	3.6	2.6	1.5	1.1	4.5	0.0	0.9	3.4	2.6	0.4	1.1	2.6	14.8	1.7	24.9					
TT-11(14)	2718.6	31.6	4.4	8.7	1.6	0.5	2.1	1.6	0.7	2.8	0.0	2.6	8.7	0.7	0.7	24.0	1.3	5.5	4.1	40.9			21.0	269	
TT-11(15)	2723.9	34.0	7.2	8.3	2.2	0.6	3.7	0.4	1.0	2.8	0.0	0.9	9.5	1.5	1.3	2.1	1.9	14.9	7.1	31.2					
TT-11(16)	2724.8	33.1	7.8	8.0	2.0	0.9	2.3	0.7	0.8	2.5	0.3	0.5	8.3	3.8	0.5	0.0	3.0	15.0	10.0	30.6					
TT-11(17)	2725.4	33.2	7.6	8.1	1.6	1.3	4.9	2.3	0.3	2.3	0.0	0.8	7.1	2.0	1.9	1.8	3.0	15.7	5.8	31.5					
TT-11(18)	2728.7	33.2	6.0	8.0	1.2	1.2	14.0	5.3	0.2	0.5	0.0	0.3	13.0	1.0	1.7	6.5	0.5	6.2	0.5	28.9			12.3	13	
TT-11(19)	2729.8	33.9	6.4	7.5	2.9	1.6	5.6	4.0	0.8	2.4	0.0	0.6	8.3	2.1	1.6	1.0	2.4	14.3	4.3	29.7					
TT-11(20)	2735.3	32.5	12.5	8.7	4.4	2.9	1.0	1.4	0.7	3.1	0.5	0.0	3.1	2.4	1.4	3.8	3.1	14.3	4.0	28.1					
TT-11(21)	2742.7	33.8	12.0	7.0	3.3	3.8	3.8	2.0	0.8	3.0	0.0	0.5	3.5	4.3	1.0	1.8	3.8	9.8	6.3	24.2					
TT-11(22)	2747.2	32.8	12.0	8.2	3.3	4.6	3.9	3.0	0.3	2.6	0.0	0.3	3.3	3.3	0.7	0.5	1.3	14.3	5.6	23.4					
TT-11(23)	2748.8	32.3	12.5	7.8	3.7	4.7	3.7	3.0	0.3	2.8	0.2	0.2	2.9	4.7	1.3	0.2	0.0	15.0	4.7	24.1			20.1	176	
TT-11(24)	2749.3	36.2	10.2	8.7	2.6	2.4	2.9	2.1	0.9	3.9	0.0	0.0	3.3	2.5	0.9	1.3	2.9	13.8	5.3	24.7					
TT-11(25)	2749.9	34.5	13.5	7.8	3.0	2.6	3.9	3.0	0.9	3.3	0.0	0.0	1.7	2.7	0.5	0.9	1.7	14.7	4.7	22.2					
TT-11(26)	2783.7	36.9	10.5	6.8	1.8	2.6	2.3	4.3	0.5	3.1	0.0	0.5	3.1	3.1	0.8	3.5	3.3	13.0	3.8	26.8			20.0	88	
TT-11(27)	2786.5	34.8	14.8	8.4	1.5	1.7	2.2	2.0	0.5	2.5	0.0	0.7	6.2	4.2	1.5	3.5	5.4	7.5	2.5	28.3					
TT-11(28)	2787.1	35.4	11.0	7.5	2.8	1.3	2.9	1.9	0.9	2.8	0.0	0.0	2.3	4.7	0.2	2.6	5.1	14.0	4.9	28.9					
TT-11(29)	2789.9	34.8	15.5	8.8	2.2	1.5	0.5	0.7	0.2	2.7	0.0	0.0	1.2	1.2	1.2	0.7	28.0	1.0	0.0	32.1					
TT-15(1)	2656.0	39.7	6.6	6.2	4.0	2.4	2.1	2.1	0.7	3.9	0.2	0.0	2.7	1.3	1.3	0.2	4.6	16.5	5.3	26.6			20.3	58.5	
TT-15(2)	2657.3	34.3	9.2	5.5	4.6	3.5	5.1	4.5	0.8	3.3	0.0	0.3	1.4	2.3	0.8	0.2	4.0	15.8	4.1	24.5			20.5	76.6	
TT-15(3)	2658.3	44.7	4.2	3.2	2.8	2.6	1.3	3.1	0.8	3.2	0.0	0.3	3.1	2.3	0.5	1.1	4.5	17.3	4.3	28.8			22.4	59.2	
TT-15(4)	2659.0	38.1	6.6	6.7	2.7	2.2	2.2	1.6	1.0	3.1	0.0	1.2	2.5	2.5	1.0	0.8	4.5	17.8	5.1	29.1			21.8	34.0	
TT-15(5)	2660.0	33.2	6.9	5.8	3.5	1.4	1.9	4.7	0.8	2.6	0.0	0.5	5.4	4.0	0.7	17.0	11.0	0.0	0.9	38.1					
TT-15(6)	2717.6	35.9	12.8	6.2	3.2	2.7	0.3	0.6	0.4	3.4	0.0	0.0	4.1	3.9	0.4	18.0	4.8	0.0	3.9	31.2					
TT-15(7)	3131.3	39.0	7.9	4.1	2.9	2.8	6.1	7.5	1.2	1.2	0.0	0.0	2.3	5.6	1.2	0.6	3.0	9.3	4.8	22.0					
TT-15(8)	3132.0	40.3	4.6	3.9	3.0	2.4	2.1	1.3	2.1	2.0	0.0	0.0	3.4	3.4	0.4	1.8	3.4	14.2	11.0	26.6					
TT-15(9)	3133.0	35.8	4.8	4.7	2.0	3.8	5.1	4.4	0.8	2.9	0.0	0.5	3.1	4.0	1.1	3.4	4.4	12.8	5.8	28.8					
TT-15(10)	3135.0	36.1	6.5	6.3	2.7	3.1	2.7	3.1	2.7	2.1	0.0	2.1	3.9	2.9	0.4	6.1	1.6	13.3	4.7	28.2			12.0	53.1	
TT-15(11)	3137.0	44.7	2.4	1.9	1.9	2.2	1.5	2.4	1.8	2.2	0.0	0.2	4.4	1.8	0.4	3.2	9.5	14.0	5.0	33.3					
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