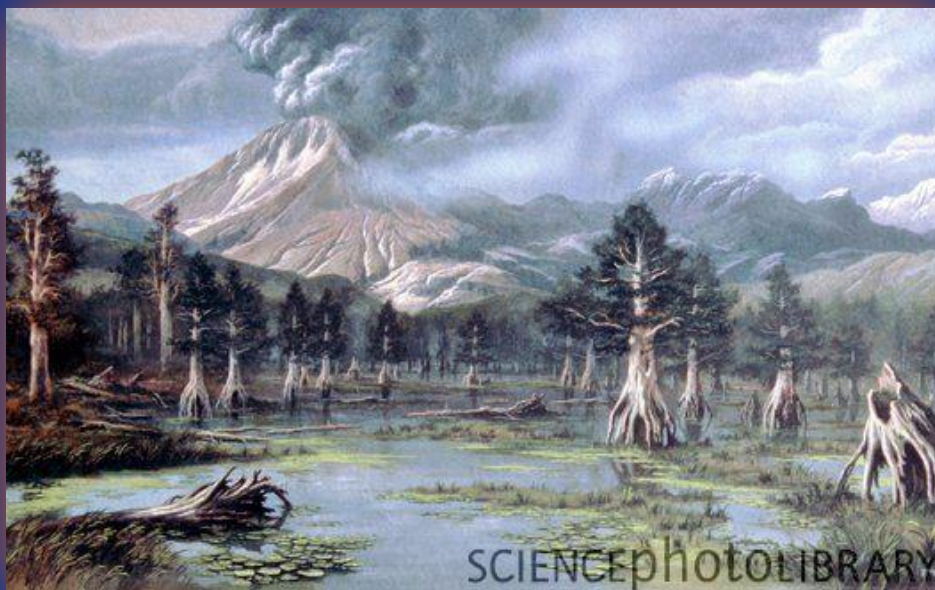


Seismic volcano-stratigraphic characteristics of the Jan Mayen Micro-Continent area and the possible distribution of volcanic intrusion complexes and hydrothermal vents.

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Applying seismic volcano-stratigraphic in the Jan Mayen Micro-Continent area ... an ongoing & evolving study ...

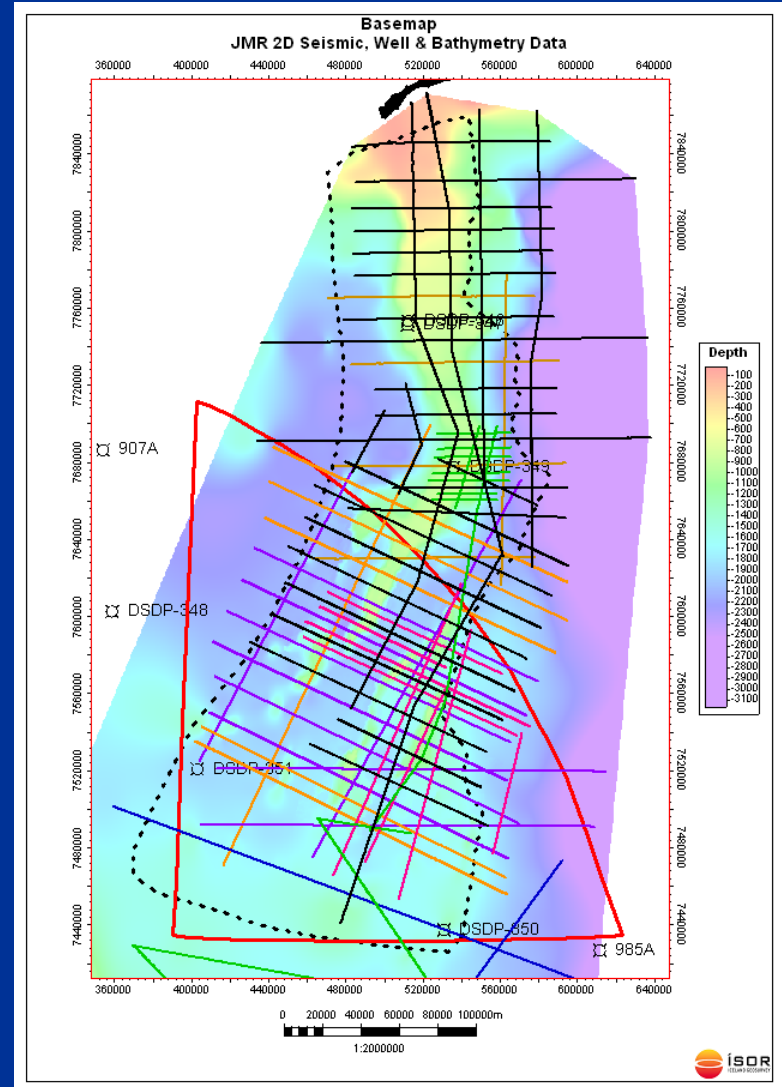
- Improved seismic and recent seafloor sample data make it possible to generate an improved stratigraphic / volcano-stratigraphic characterization.
- Importance of understanding the igneous features and characteristics of the area in regards to:
 - Understanding the structural model and processes.
 - Differentiating amplitude anomalies, what is igneous vs. stratigraphic, diagenetic or hydrocarbon related?
 - What groups and types of igneous complexes and features can be described?
 - What areas are specifically affected?
 - Conclusions in regards to the timing of the igneous events with the available data?



Seismic data

Bathymetry map, well & seismic data

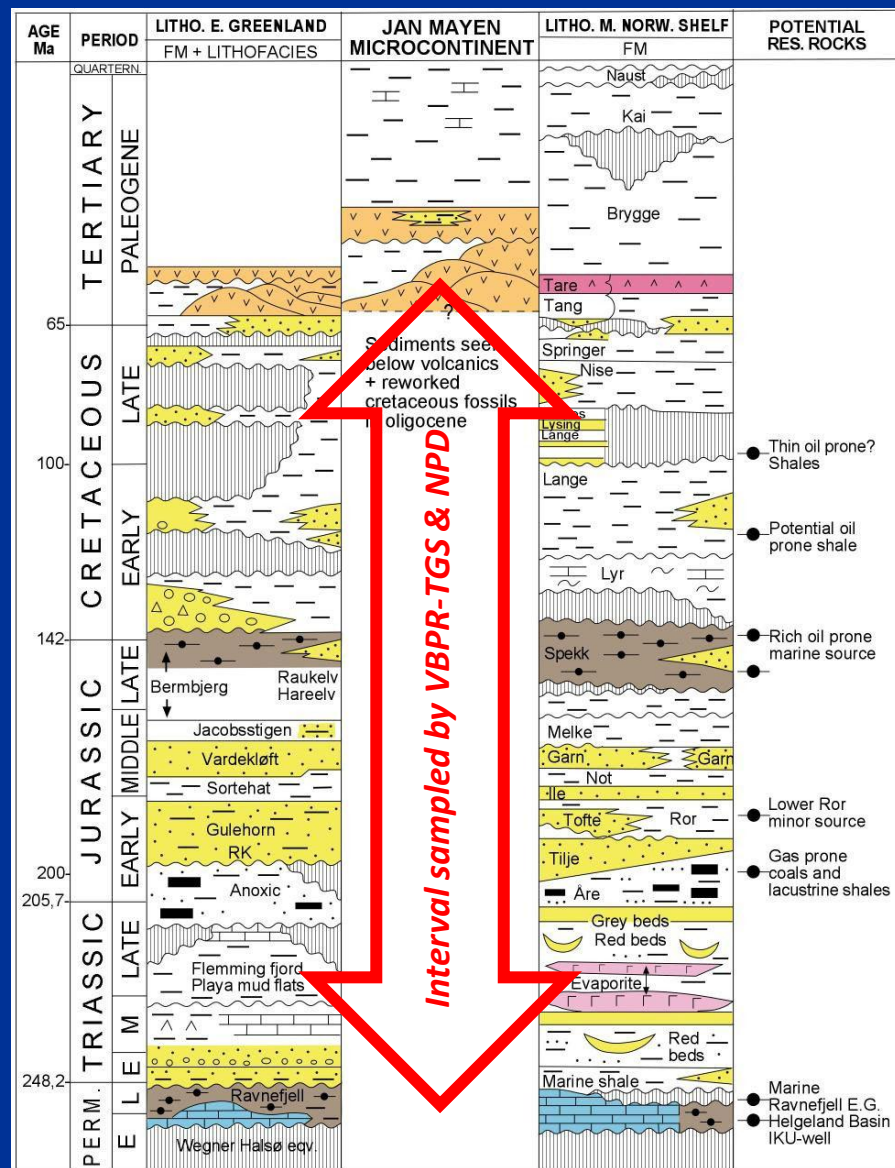
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Stratigraphy

Sample campaign by NPD & 1000m pseudo-well interpretation by VBPR / TGS

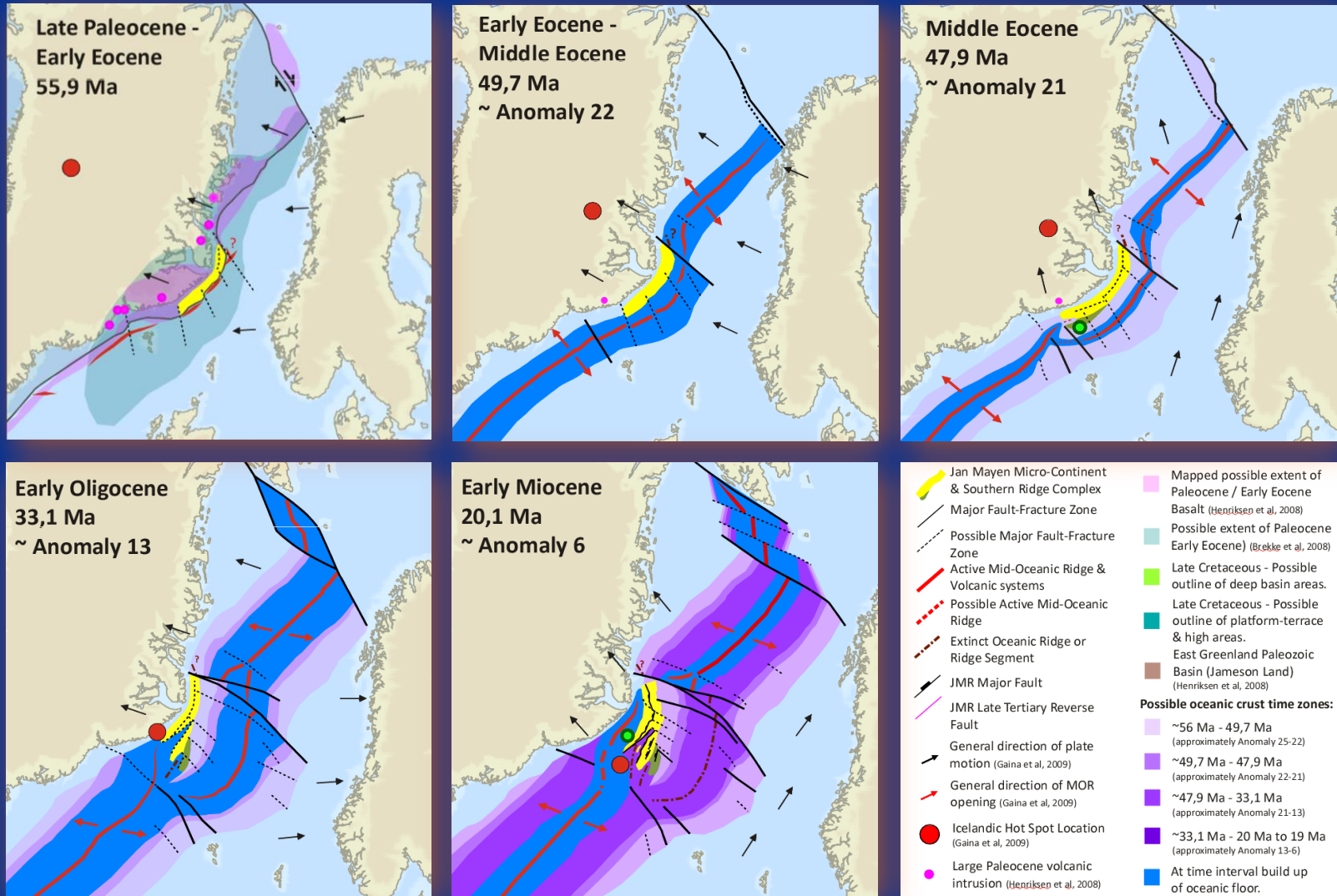
- Samples age ranges from Miocene-Oligocene to Permian-Triassic
- Hard data to substantiate seismic interpretations for Mesozoic basin stratigraphy, lithology and depositional environment of the Jan Mayen Ridge
- Grab sample & core logging, petrography, XRD, SEM, and biostratigraphy



Hagevang et al., 2008

Tectonic History – Main igneous periods affecting the JMMC

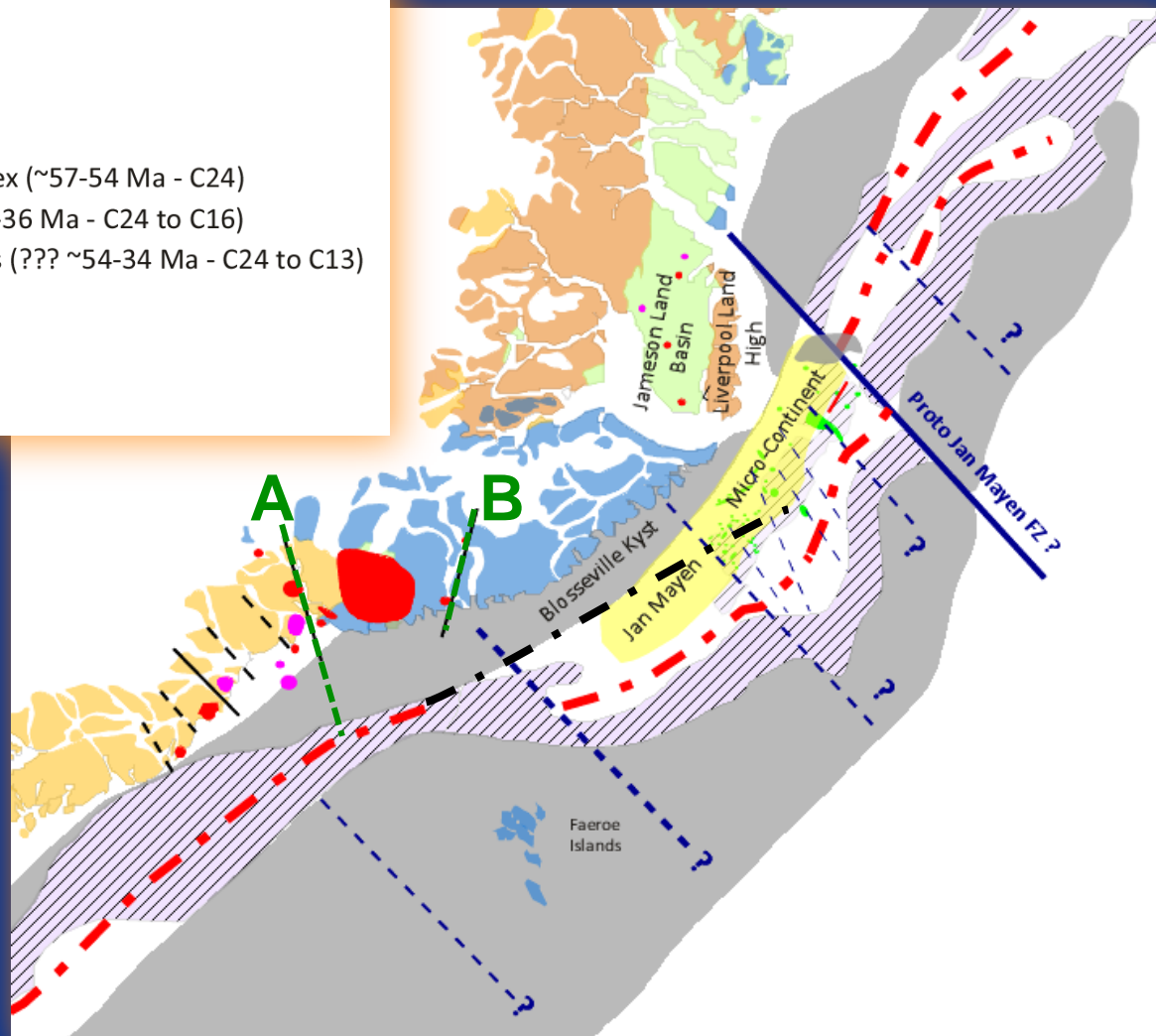
Collage based on results of many research publications (since the 1970's) and observations at the JMMC



- Basalts onshore
- Basalts offshore
- SDR
- Devonian-Palaeogene
- Palaeoproterozoic
- Archaean
- Caledonian
- Pre-Breakup & Breakup Intrusion & Complex (~57-54 Ma - C24)
- Post-Breakup Intrusions & Complexes (~53-36 Ma - C24 to C16)
- Poss. Post-Breakup Intrusions & Complexes (??? ~54-34 Ma - C24 to C13)
- Major tectonic lineaments
- - - Minor tectonic lineaments
- Offshore major tectonic lineaments
- - - Offshore poss. minor tectonic lineaments

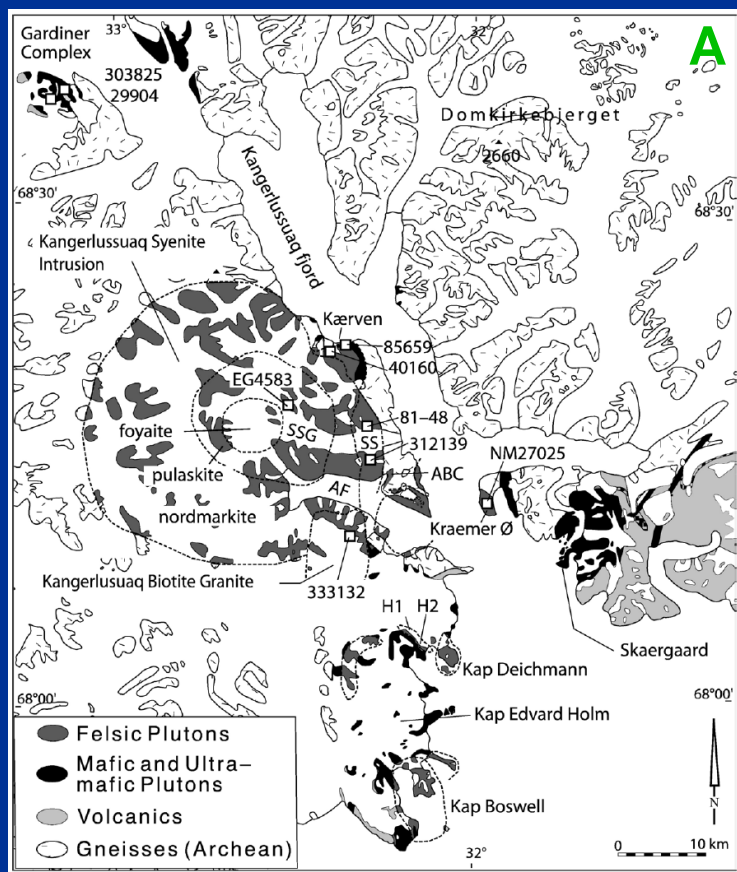
Central East Greenland coastal break-up

(57-54 Ma; ~C24) magmatic centers / complexes, and post break-up intrusions (~53-36; C23-C16)

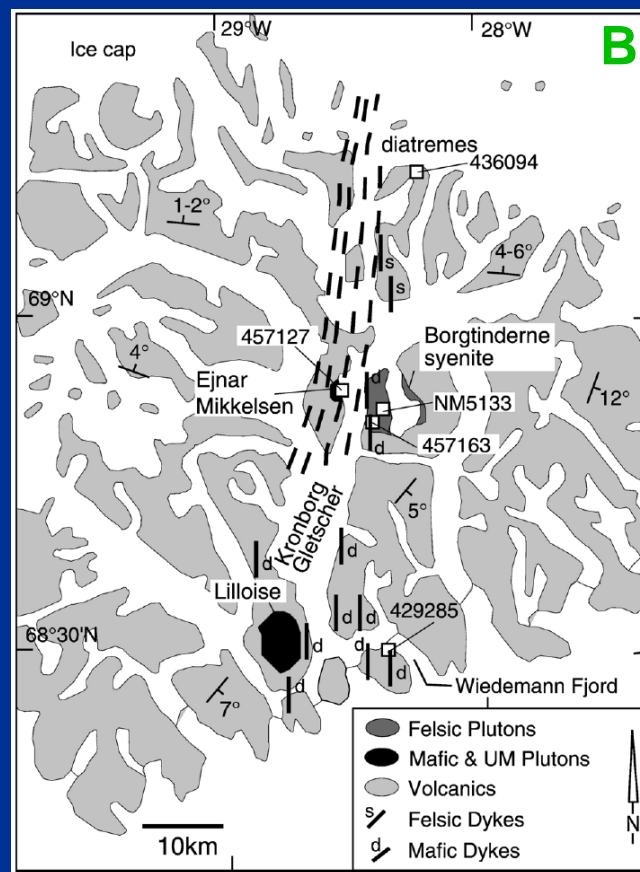


Central East Greenland coastal break-up

Southwestern region of the Jan Mayen Micro-Continent prior to rift separation from the East Greenland coast. Analogue for igneous features and structural lineaments in time & scale of the Southern Ridge Complex.



Geological map of the Kangerlussuaq Fjord region



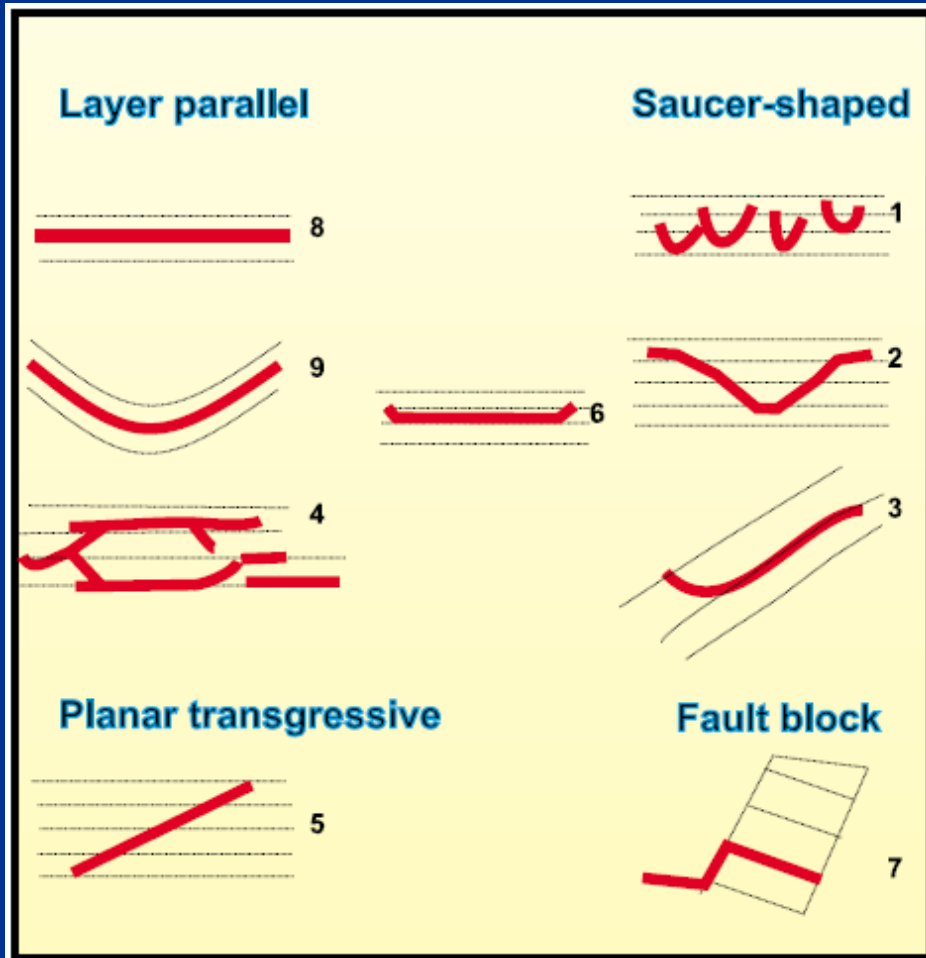
Geological map of the Wiedemann Fjord-Kronborg Gletscher tectonic lineament

Sill seismic facies analysis

Case study – analogue for JM

Planke et al, 2005

Sill seismic facies units.



Saucer-shaped:




- (1) Shallow Intrusions
- (2) Deeper Level Intrusions
- (3) Climbing Saucer-Shaped

Layer parallel:

- (4) Layer-Parallel Rough (~1.5-4s)
- (6) Slightly Saucer-Shaped (~1.5-4s)
- (8) Smooth Layer-Parallel (~2.5-5s)
- (9) Basin-Parallel (~2.5-5s)

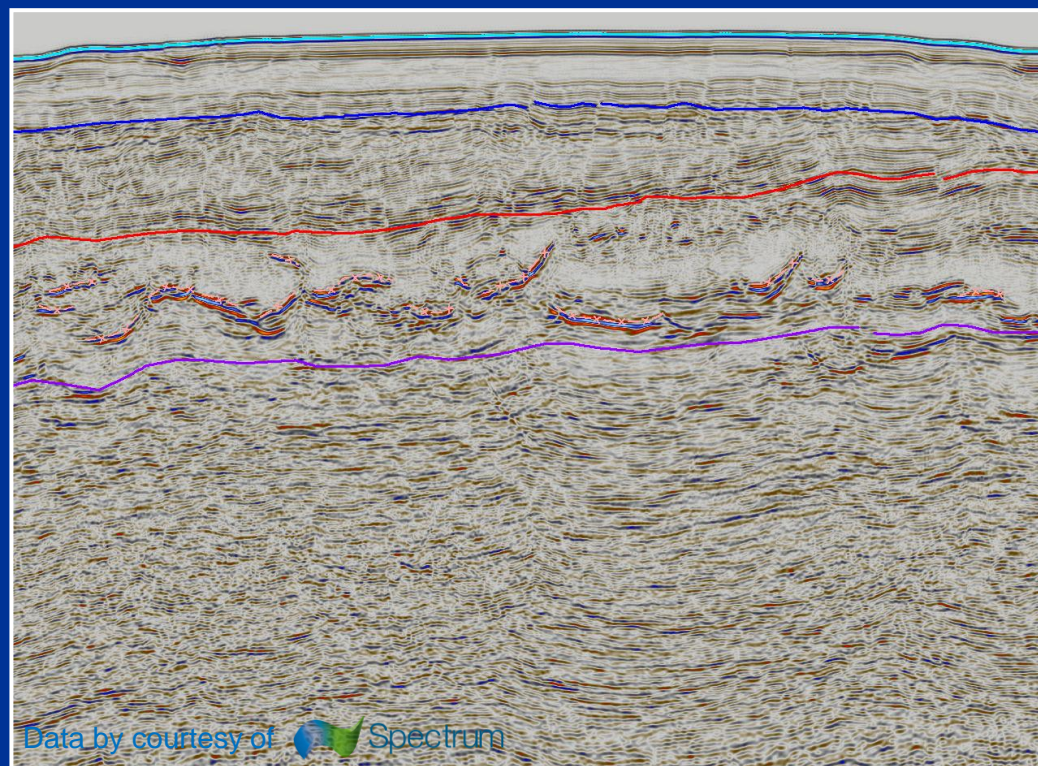
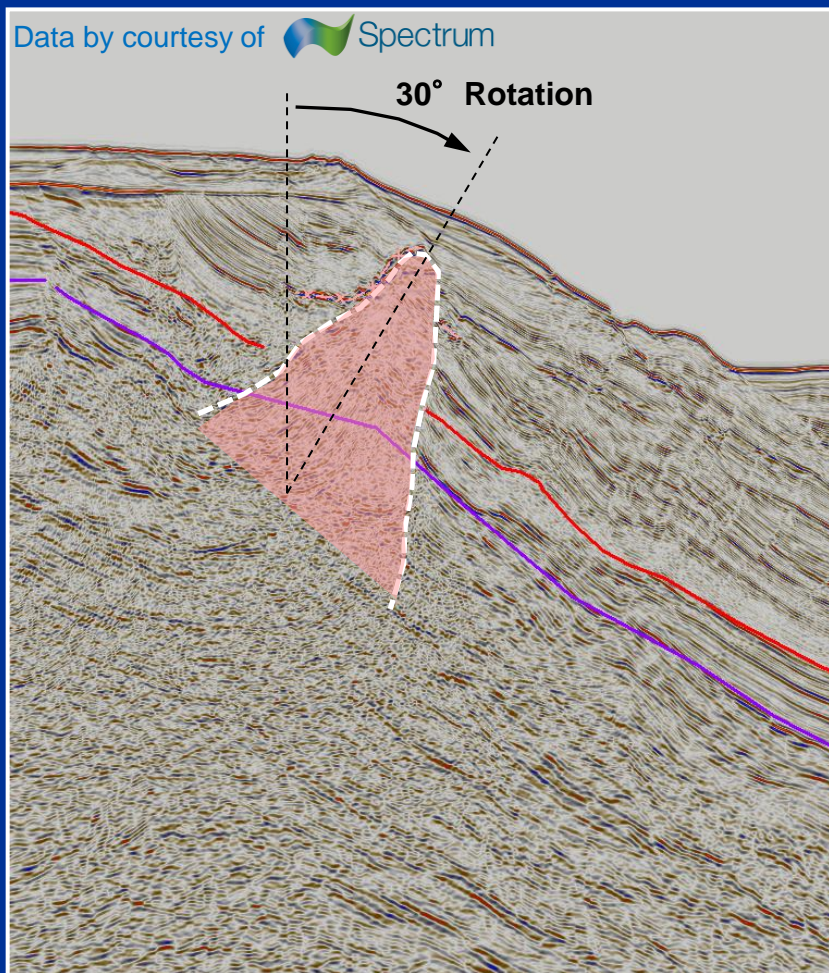
(5) Planar transgressive

(7) Fault block

	Seabed
	UC Late Oligocene - Miocene
	UC Eocene
	UC Top Paleocene
	Intrusive

Igneous feature examples at the JMMC

Larger scale intrusion complex and sill intrusions



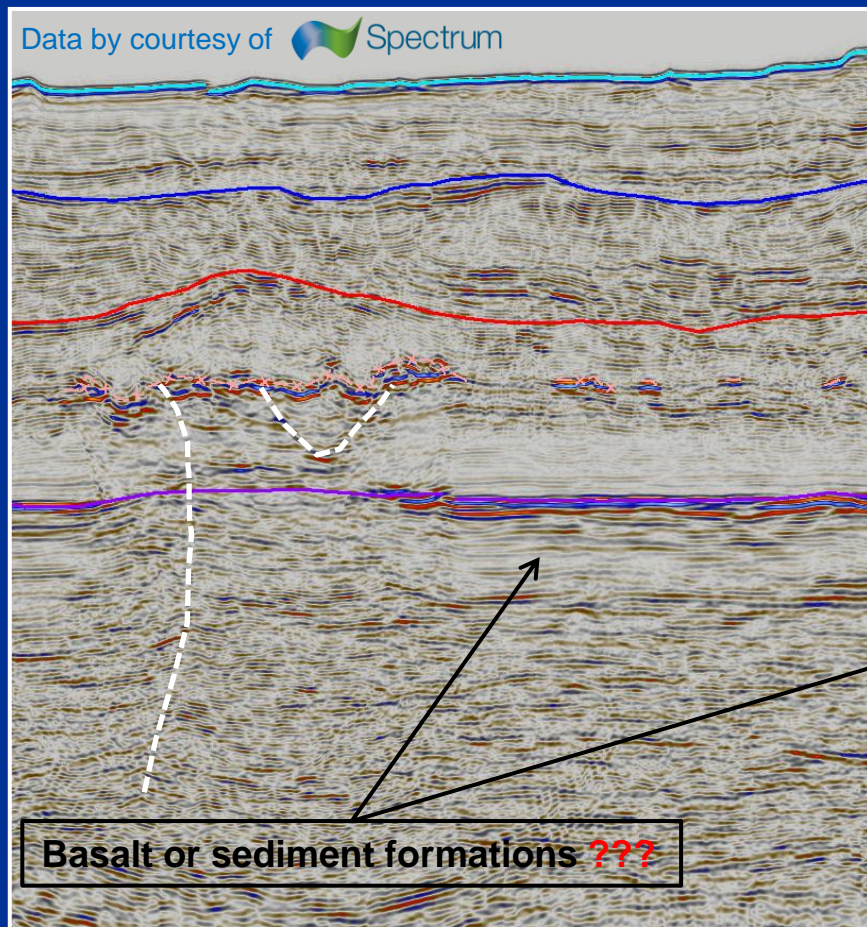
Middle Eocene saucer shaped rough wide vent about 0,7-1,2 second below seabed.

Intrusion into shallow sediment probably along a fault zone and saucer shaped rough wide vent about 0,25-1,5 second below seabed. Possibly this intrusion happened before the Oligocene erosion.

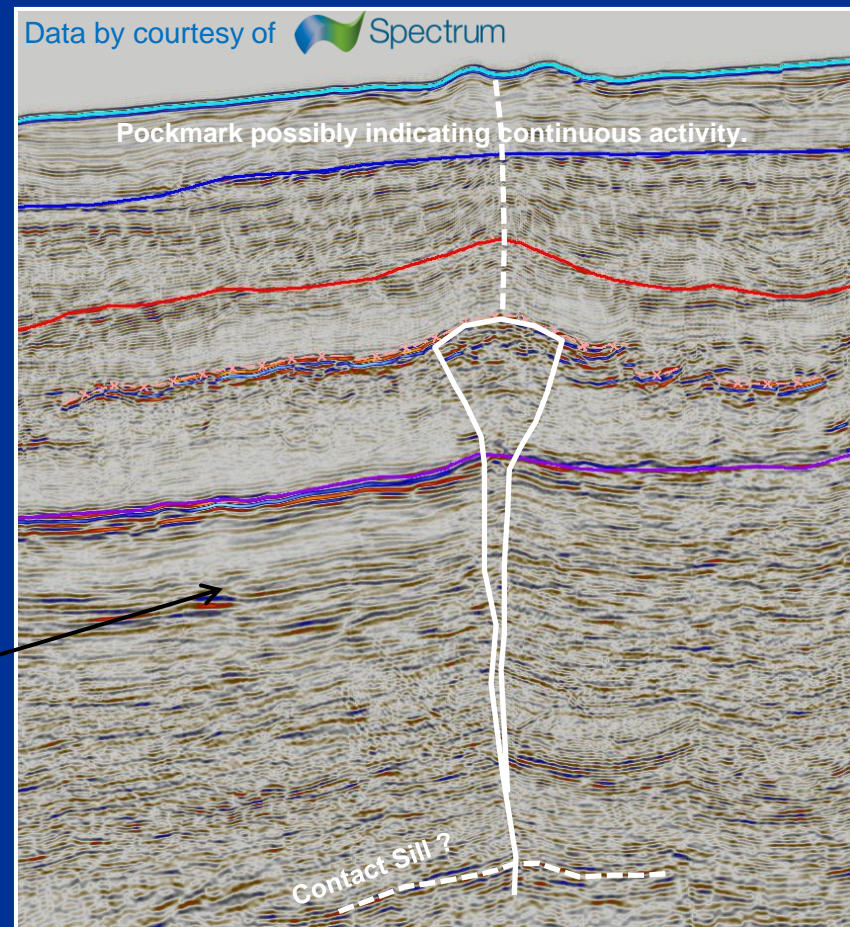
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Igneous feature examples at the JMMC

Sill intrusion and hydrothermal vent complex



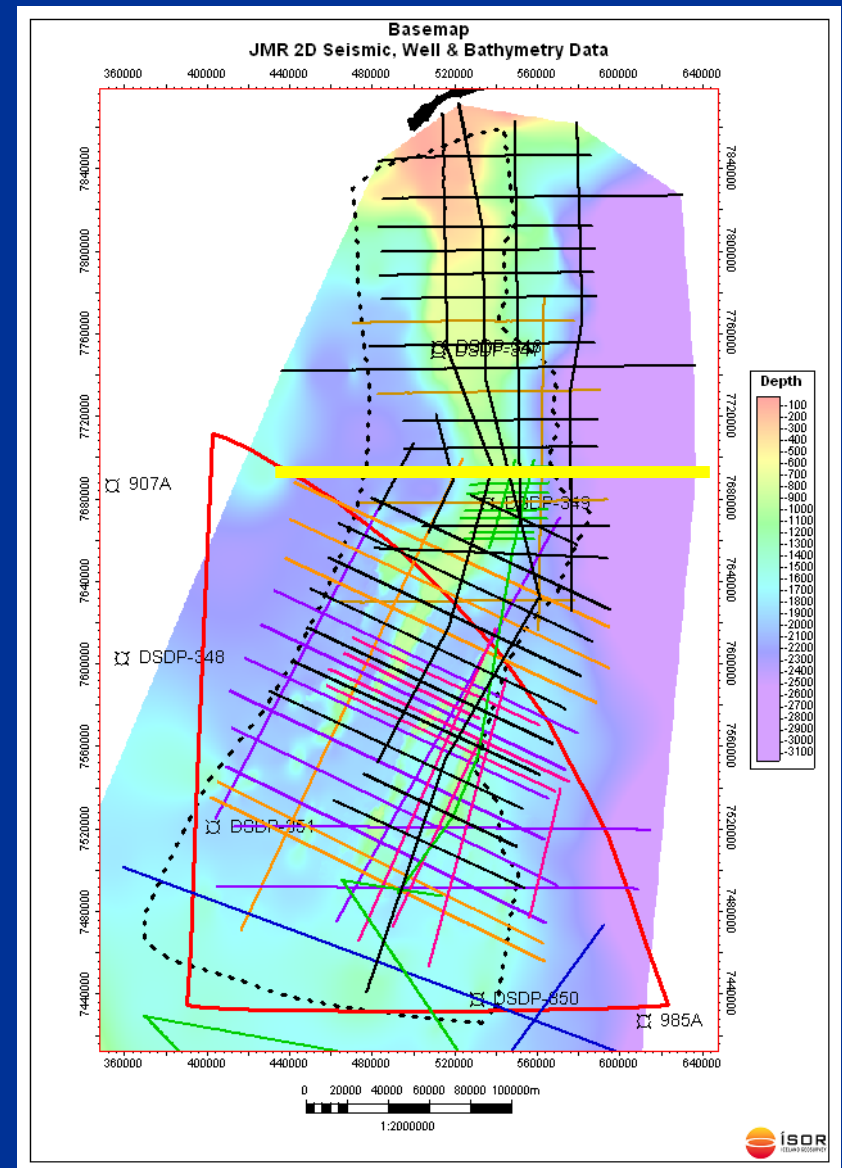
Eocene-Early Oligocene saucer shaped rough wide vent about 1 second below seabed.



Possibly Early Oligocene hydrothermal vent about 0,8 second below seabed and slightly rough shaped sills.

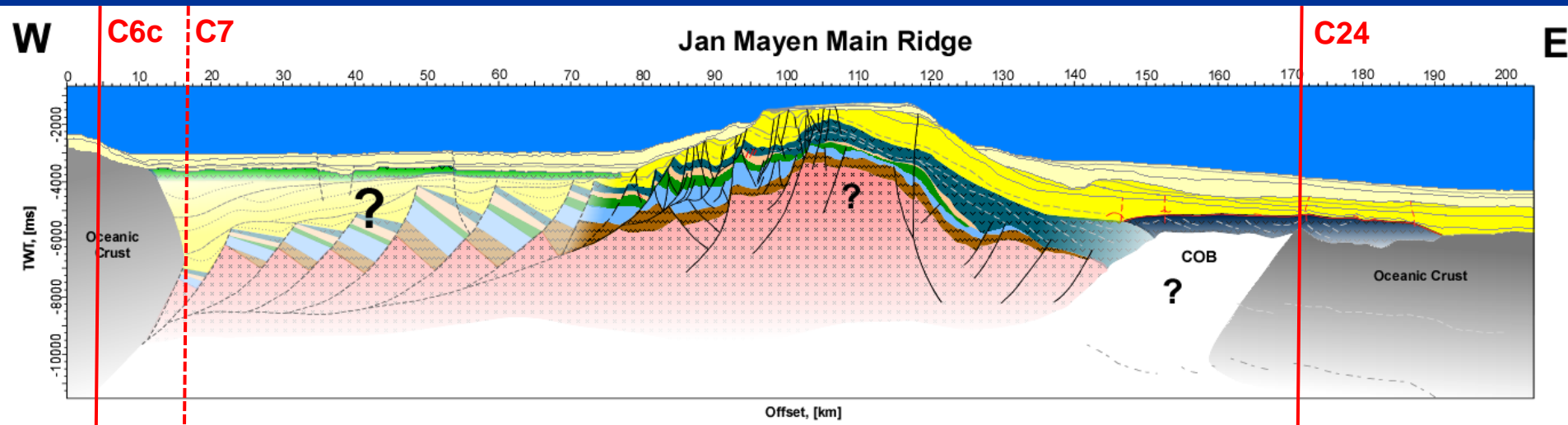
Stratigraphic / volcano-stratigraphic characteristics

Key line interpretation across the central Jan Mayen Ridge Complex



Volcano-stratigraphic characteristics

Jan Mayen Main Ridge – main subdivision

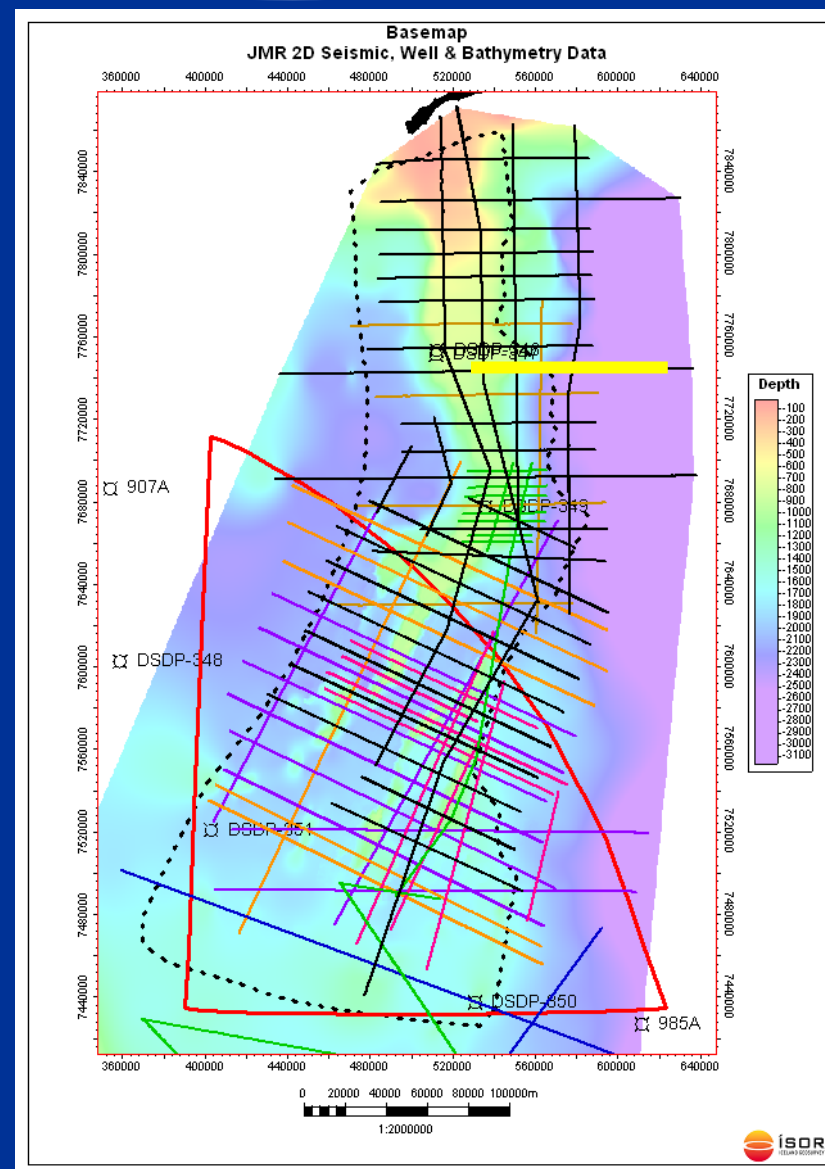


Legend:

- | | |
|---|---------------------------|
| Late Quaternary - Late Oligocene | Poss. Low Cretaceous |
| Early Oligocene - Paleocene | Poss. Jurassic/Triassic |
| Lower Paleocene | Poss. Paleozoic |
| Paleocene - SDR/Volcanics/Basalt | Poss. Caledonian Basement |
| Volcanic centre Post-Paleocene | Oceanic crust |
| Late Oligocene to Early Miocene shallow Basalt Intrusions | |

Stratigraphic / volcano-stratigraphic characteristics

Key line interpretation at the eastern flank of the Jan Mayen Main Ridge, just south of the so called Jan Mayen High

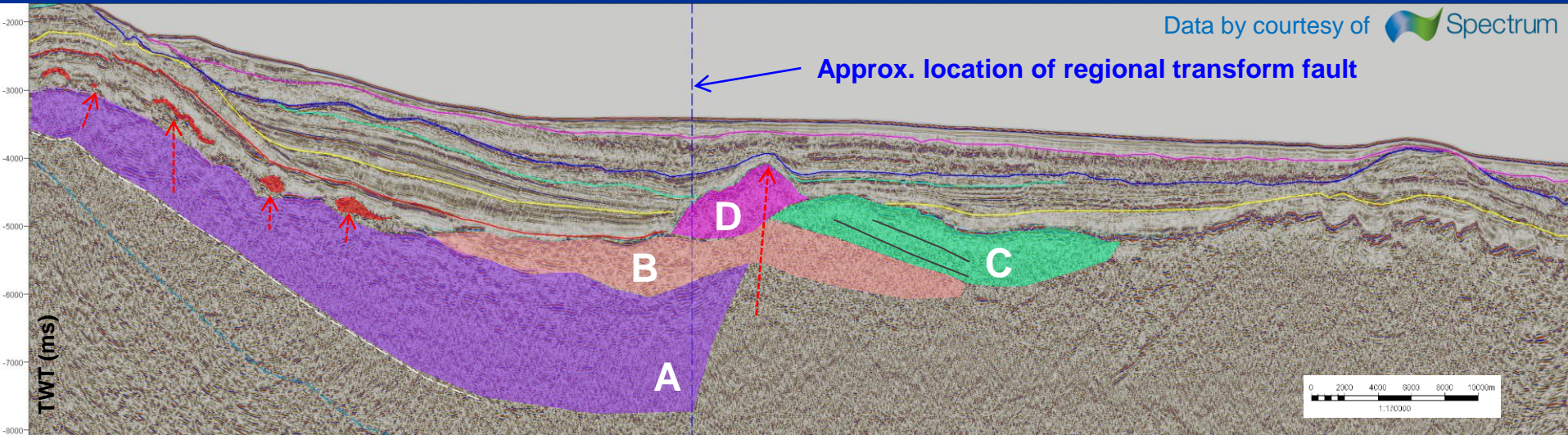


Volcano-stratigraphic characteristics

Northern edge of the Dreki licensing area

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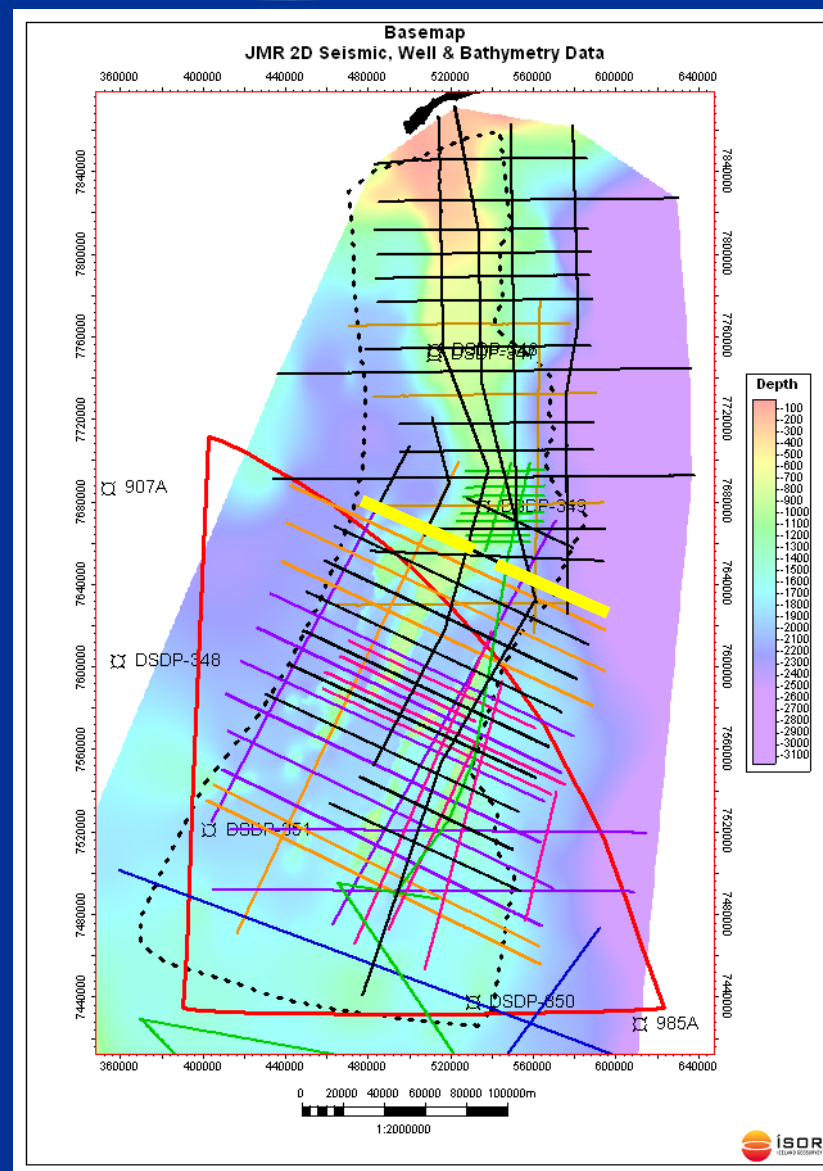


- (A) Paleocene Volcanics (Plateau basalts & SDR ?)
- (B) Eocene Escarpment / Sill intrusives on the Main Ridge
- (C) Poss. Early Oligocene Escarpment
- (D) Poss. active Volcanic Complex from Eocene to Early Miocene close to regional transform fault

- UC Early-Middle Miocene
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- Early-Middle Oligocene
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- UC Top Paleocene
- Top Paleozoic poss.
- Top Basement poss.

Stratigraphic / volcano-stratigraphic characteristics

Key line interpretation at the central ridge of the JMMC



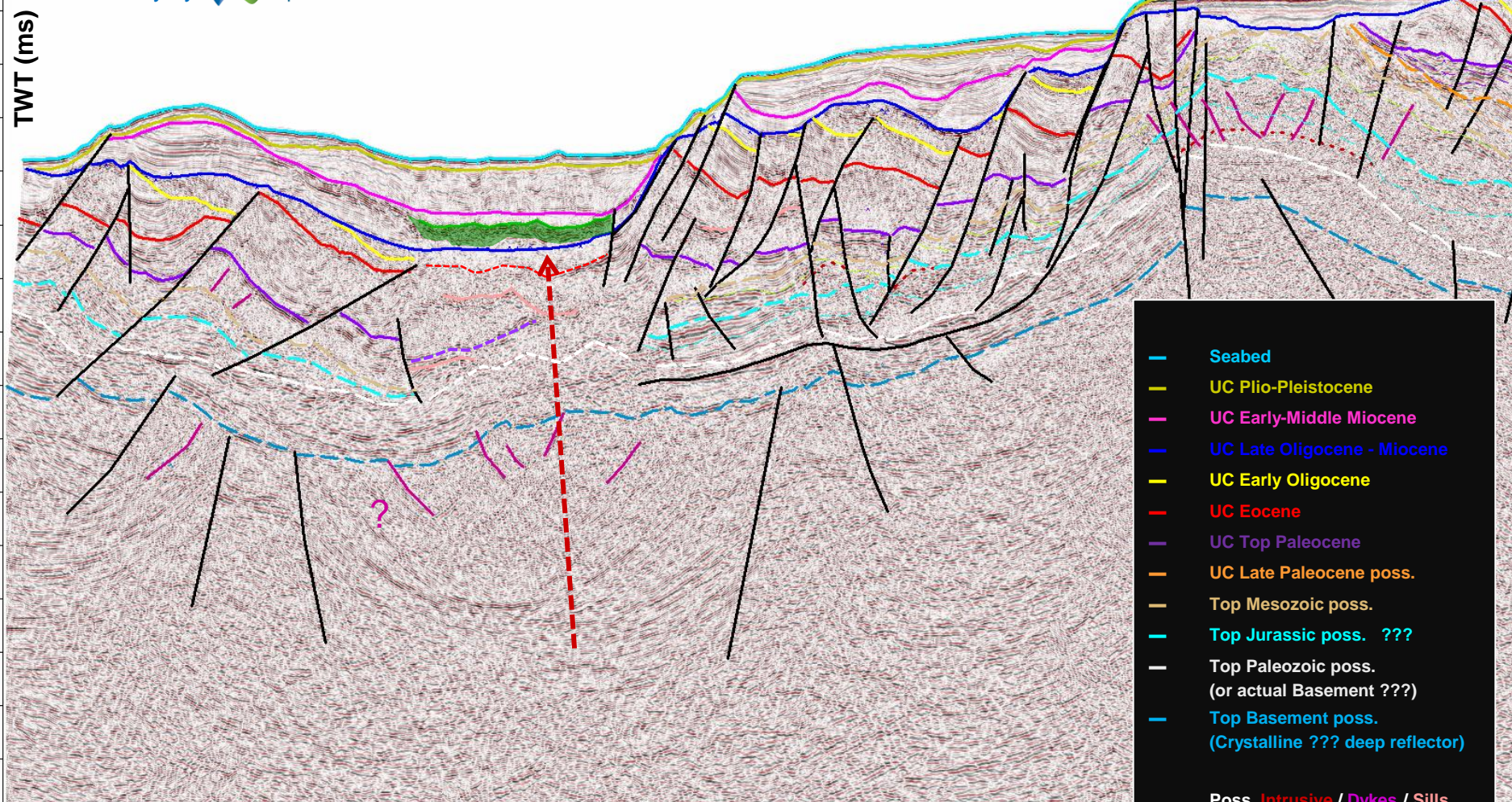
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(Crystalline ??? deep reflector)

Poss. Intrusive / Dykes / Sills

Volcano-stratigraphic characteristics

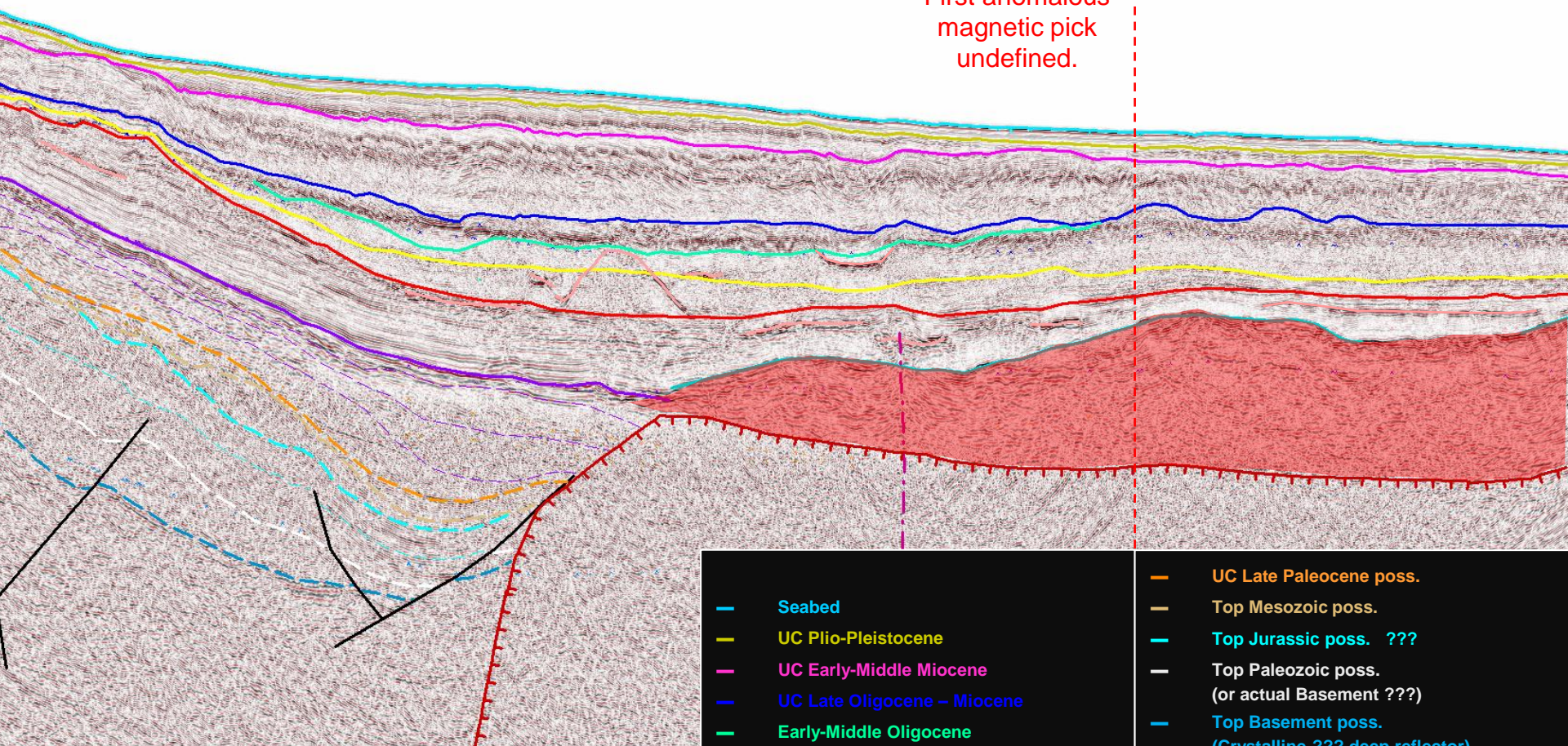
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First anomalous
magnetic pick
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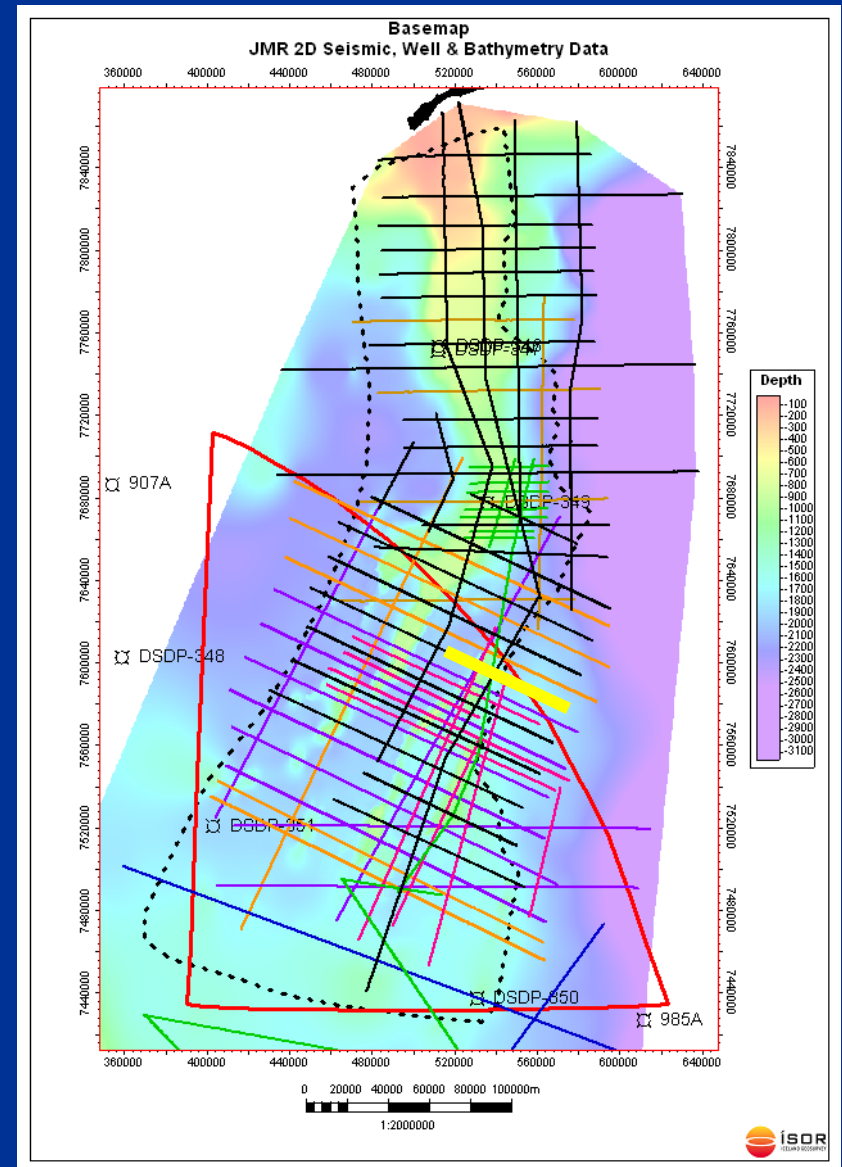
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Key line interpretation at the northern edge of the Southern Ridge Complex

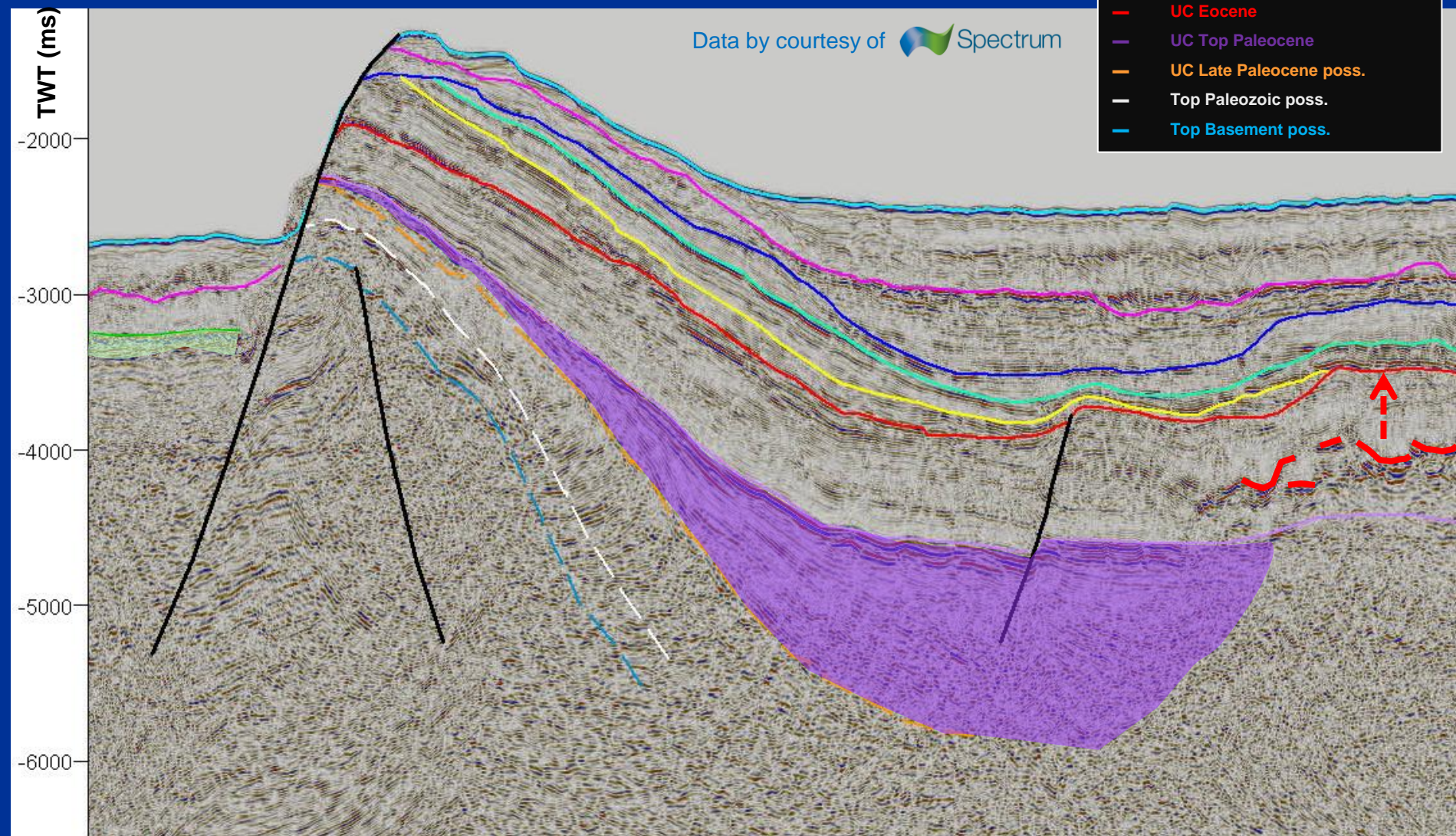


Volcano-stratigraphic characteristics

Eastern edge of the Dreki Licensing area

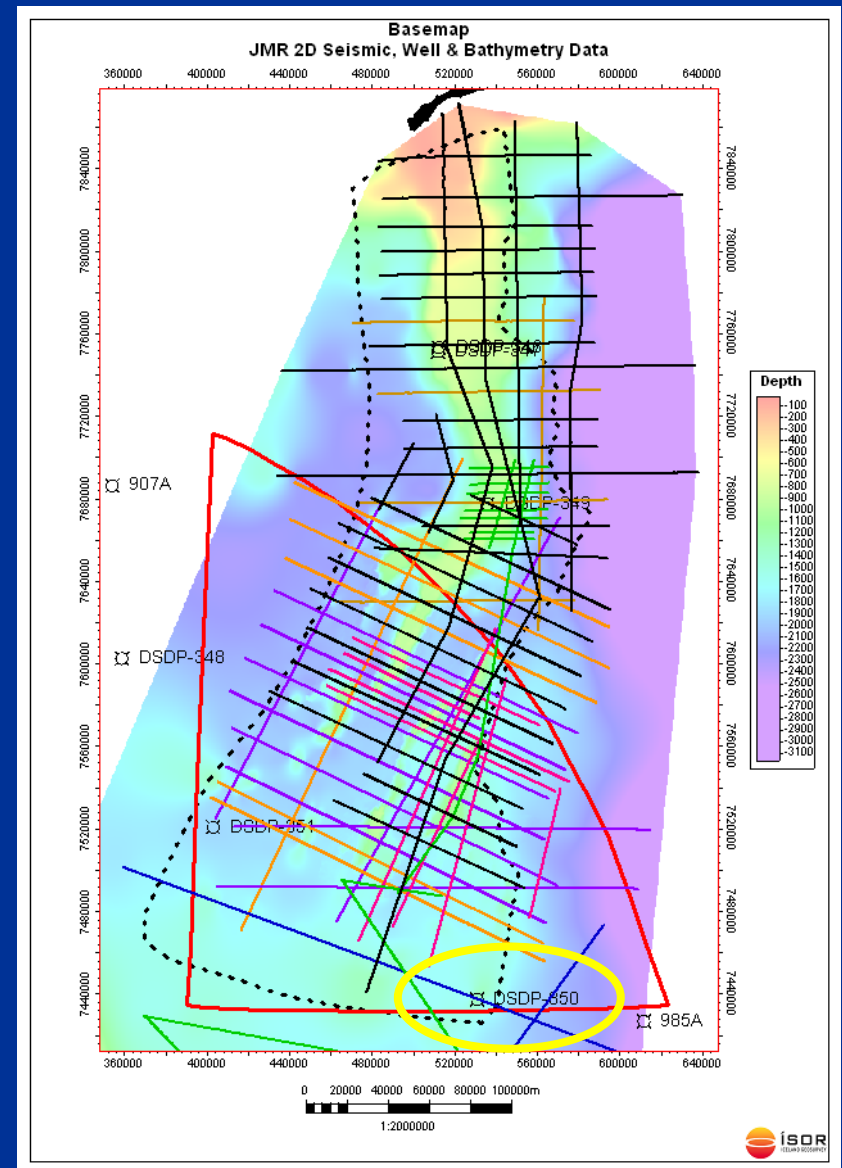
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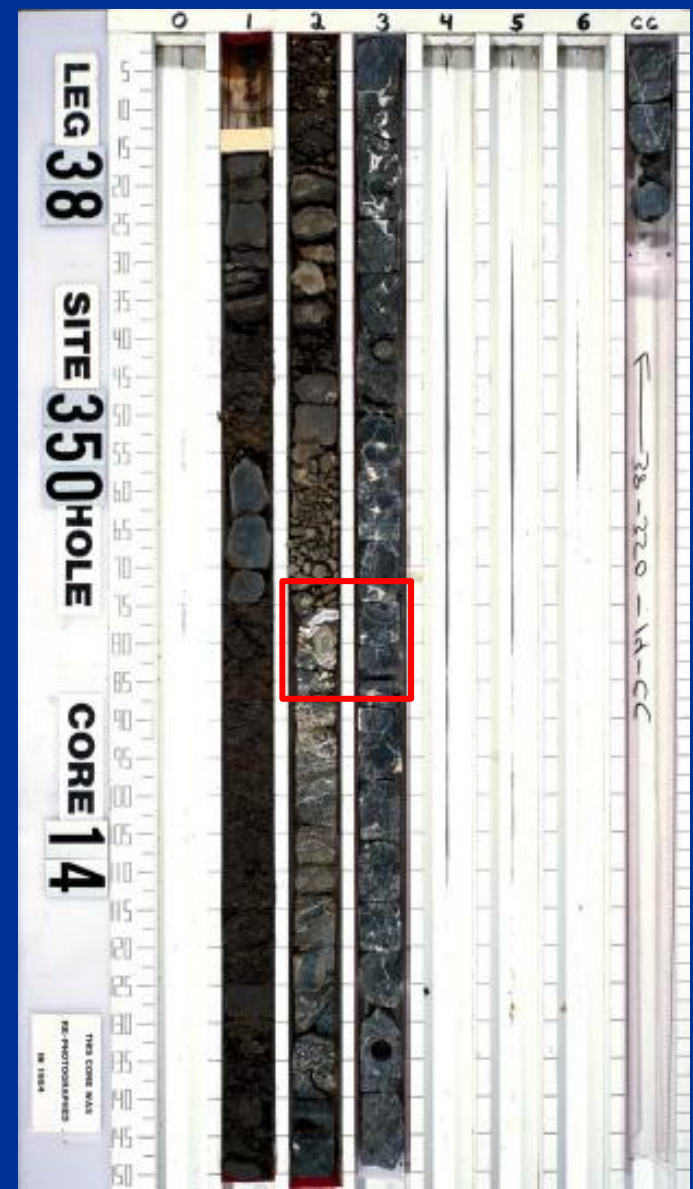
Stratigraphic / volcano-stratigraphic characteristics

Key borehole interpretation at the southern edge of the Southern Ridge Complex





By intrusive altered basalt breccia and sediment contact.



Time
determination
uncertainties !!!

Possibly glassy
contact of younger
Middle Eocene
intrusion into an older
basalt breccia
formation.

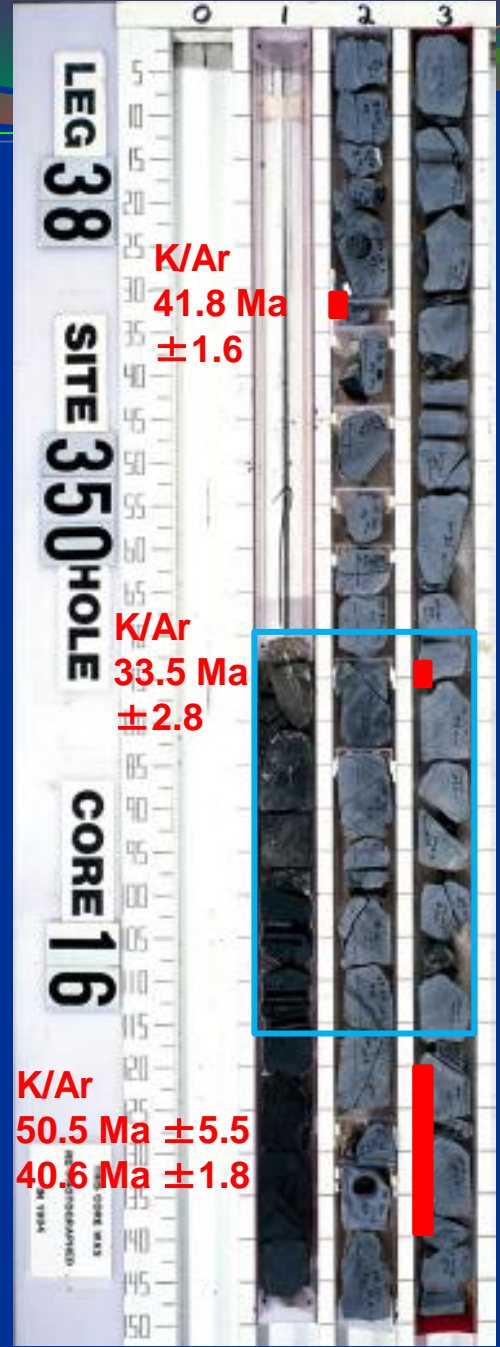
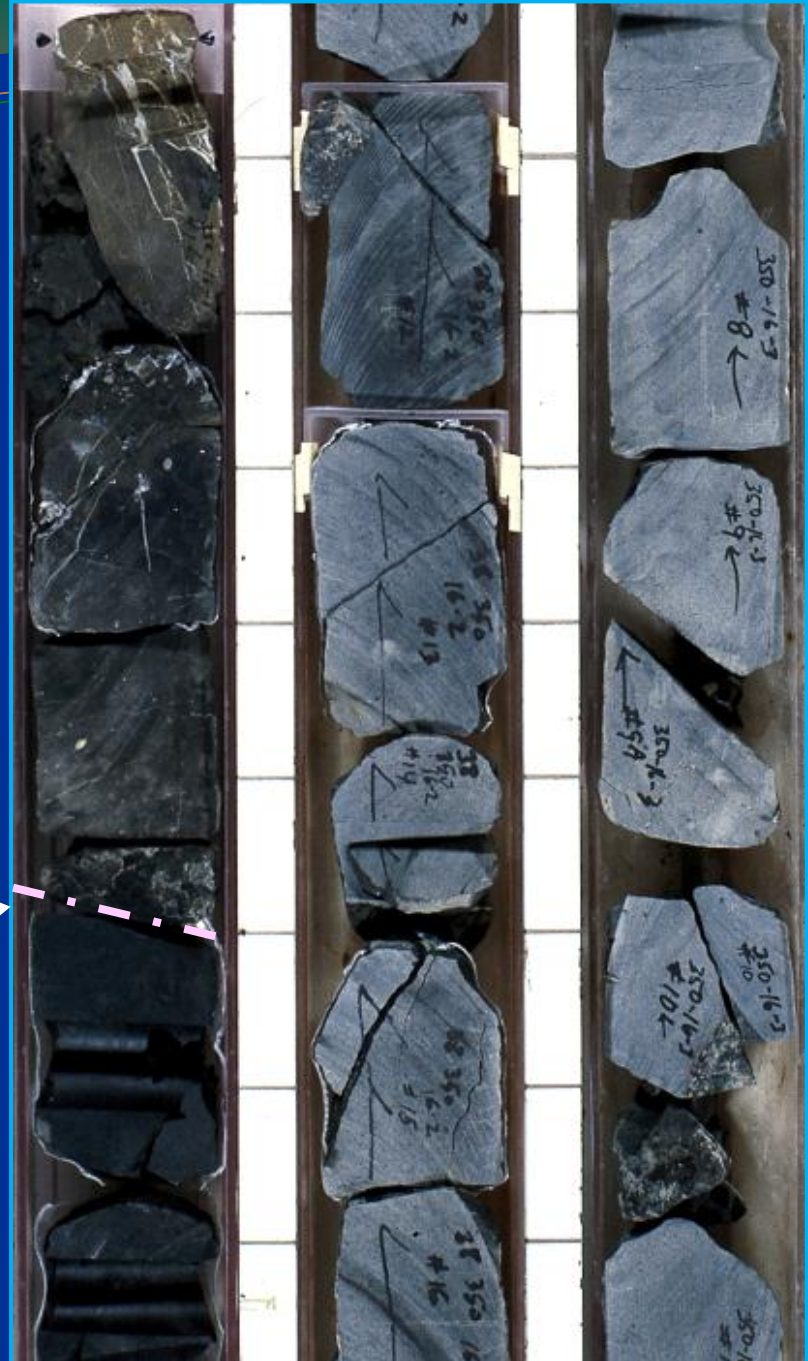
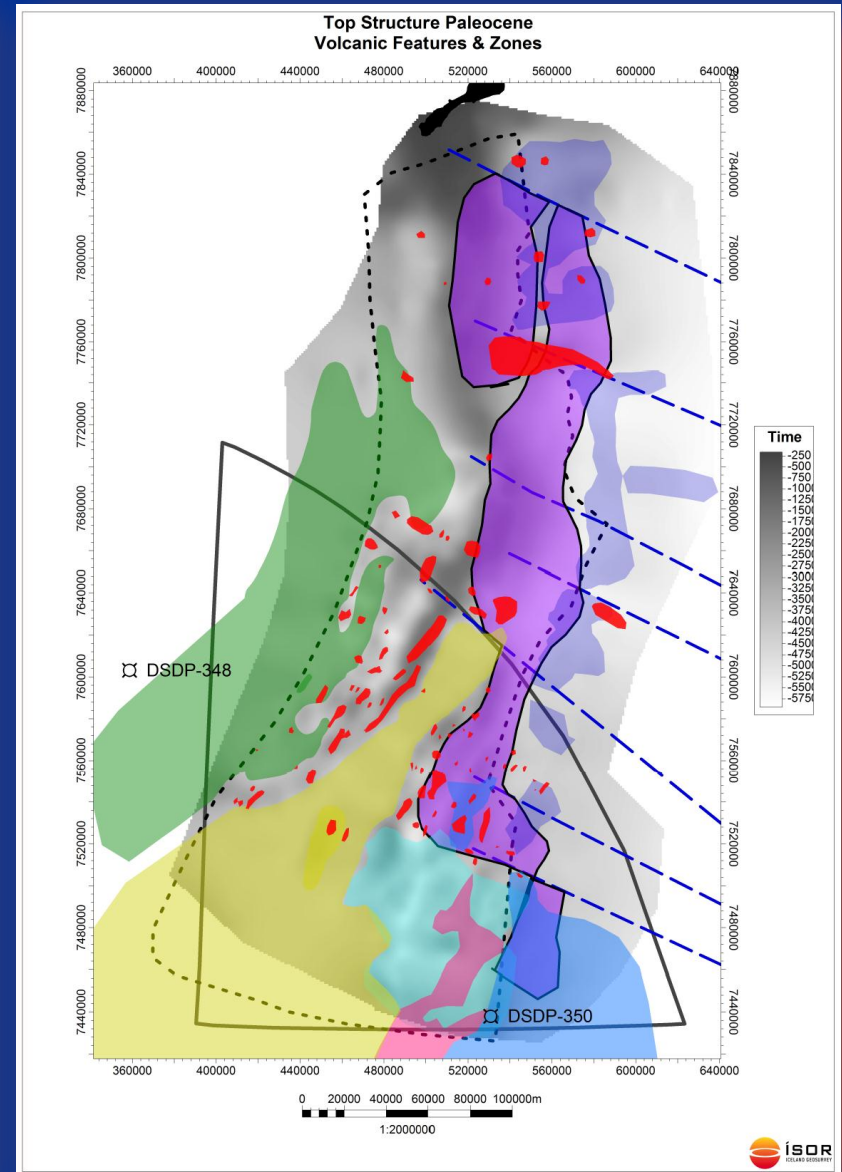


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Volcanic zones of JMMC

Possible scenario

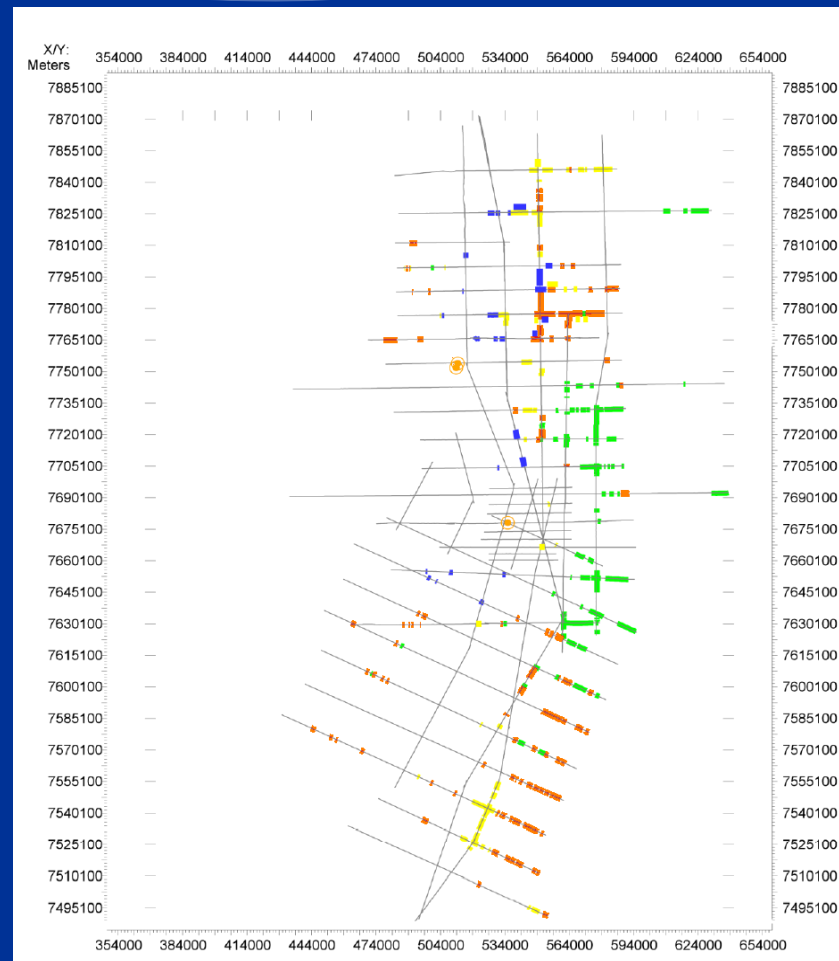
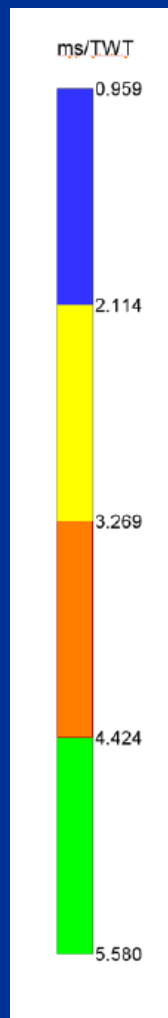
-  SDR (Seaward Dipping Reflectors)
-  Poss. post break-up, deeper seated larger intrusions
-  Volcanic complexes / escarpments just above the Top Paleocene marker
-  Possibly anomaly 20 to 17 basalt (Middle Eocene) province
-  Probably faulted oceanic ridges / transition area
-  Possible rift attempt between anomalies 17 to 13 (Late Eocene – Earliest Oligocene)
-  Jan Mayen Trough covered by flat-lying shallow intrusions / sills
-  Latest Oligocene – Early Miocene composite sheet of flat-lying, shallow intrusive (approx. ~ anomalies 7 to 6)
-  Important fault / fractures zones that influence and subdivide the JMR.



Distribution and depth level of single *sill intrusions* only above the Top Paleocene stratum of the Jan Mayen Ridge

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- Deepest sill intrusions (green & orange), first and the main phase: Top Paleocene to Middle Eocene
- Medium deep (yellow), second phase: Eocene to Early Oligocene
- Shallow (blue), third phase – Early to Middle Miocene



Summary

- **Igneous feature within the main ridge below the Paleocene are probably analogue to East Greenland coast with series of dyke intrusions close to structural weak zones.**
- **Paleocene Volcanic formation of plateau basalts & SDR's are difficult to differentiate seismically, if not confirmed by drilling. The SDR are not atypical and appear to vary along the east flank of the JMMC and might just represent the first onto the ridges on-lapping sections, with their main thick intervals being not visible on seismic data below the younger volcanic complexes.**
- **A small accommodation space (low) was formed along the eastern edge of the Jan Mayen Main Ridge with its eastern edge being the Eocene volcanic complexes along the eastern margin.**



Summary



Post-Paleocene Activities:

- 1) Top Paleocene to Middle Eocene escarpments, sills, larger scale intrusives especially along the east ridge flank.
- 2) Possible Late Eocene to Early Oligocene escarpment, sills, larger scale intrusives, especially along the east flank but also along the west ridge flank and sub-basin areas.
- 3 a) Poss. active volcanic complex from Eocene to Early Miocene close to regional transform fault, especially along the NE edge of the JMMC and south of the Jan Mayen Volcanic complex itself.
- 3 b) Early to Middle Miocene shallow and regional extensive intrusions along the western and southern edges of the micro-continent, most likely simultaneous as the opening of the Kolbeinsey Ridge.



Diagenetic impact of surrounding sediments by intrusions was observed to be around 200m, as observed in DSDP well 38-350, and amplitude anomalous areas above the intrusive features on seismic data.



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