



# Comparing metallogenic and phosphogenic events in the intracratonic and passive-margin Proterozoic basins of the SF Craton: The Bambuí/Una and Vazante Groups

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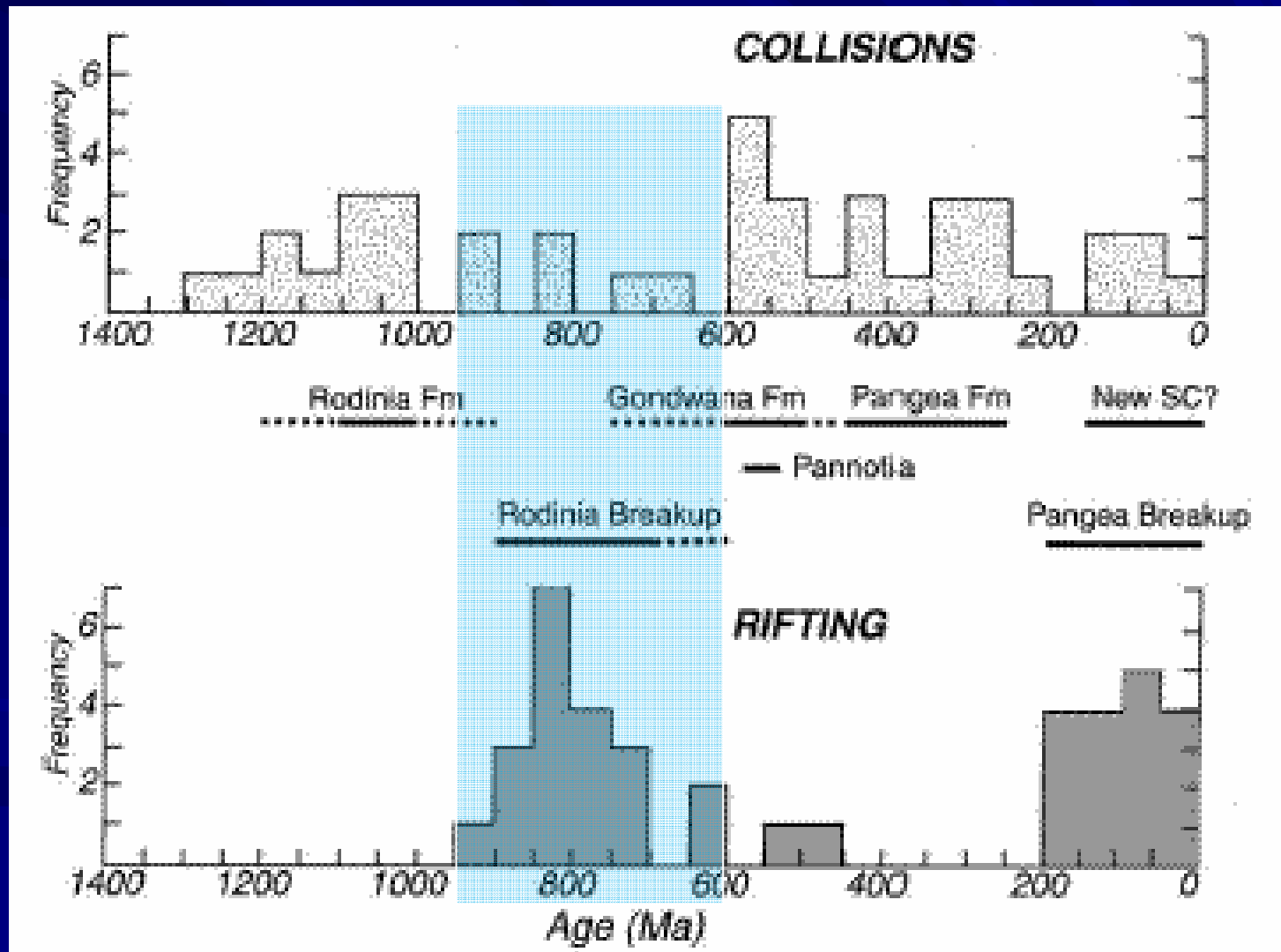
# Proterozoic Basins

Brasilia Fold Belt  
Vazante Group

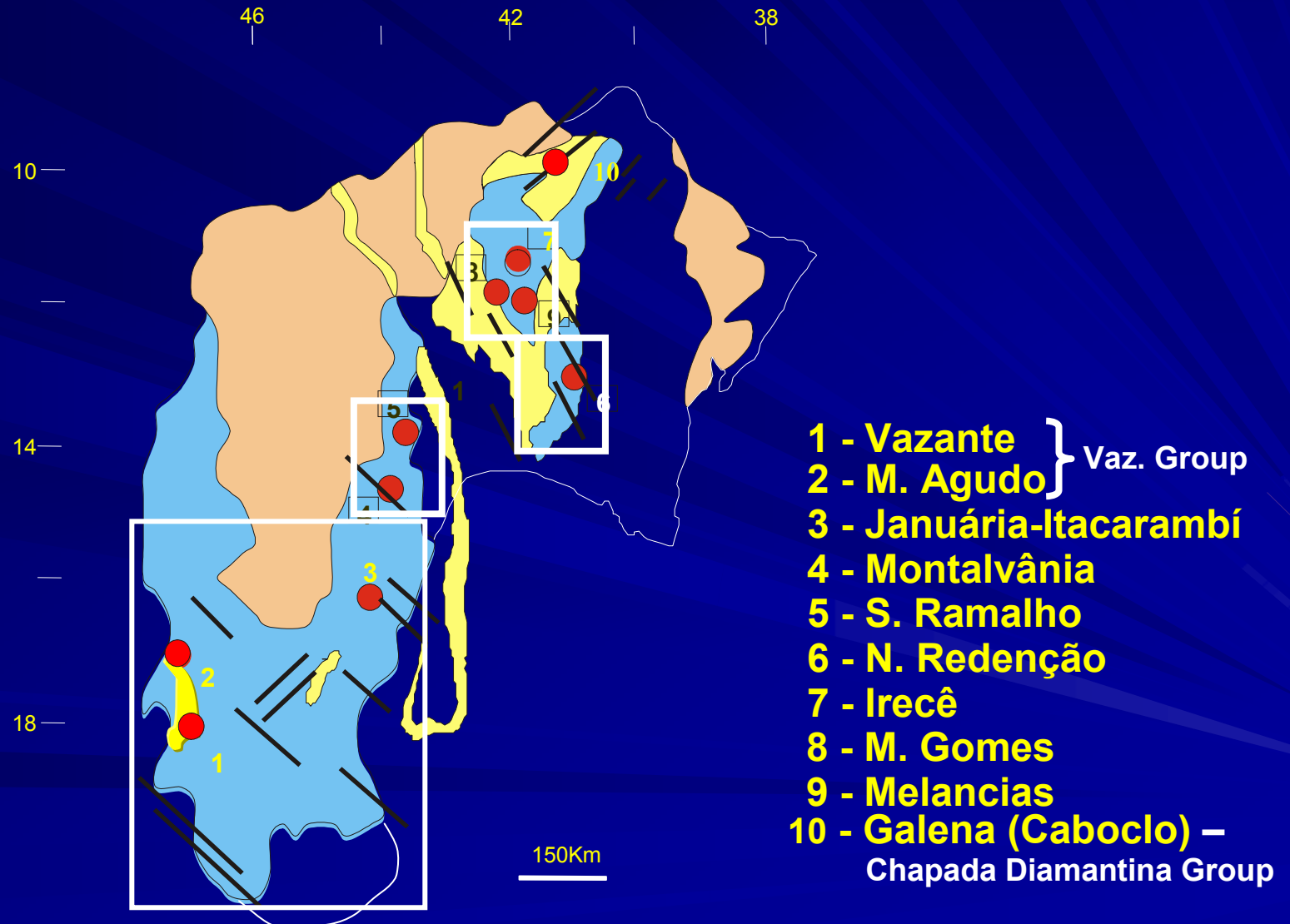


Irecê Sub-Basin (Una Gr.)  
Una-Utinga Sub-Basin  
Una Group  
S. Francisco Basin  
Bambuí Group

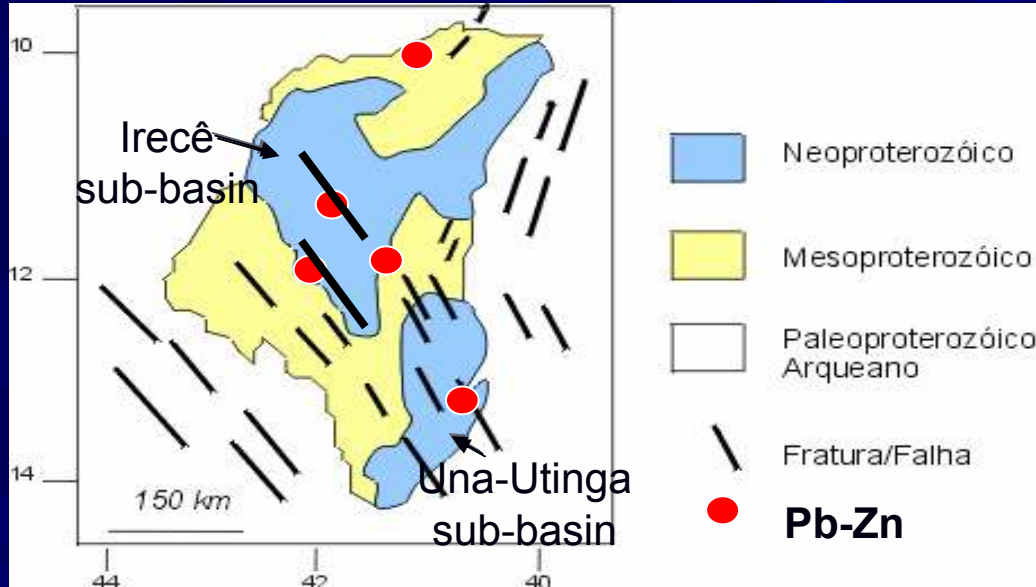
# Distribution of rifting and collisional ages Rodinia → Gondwana (Condie, 2002)



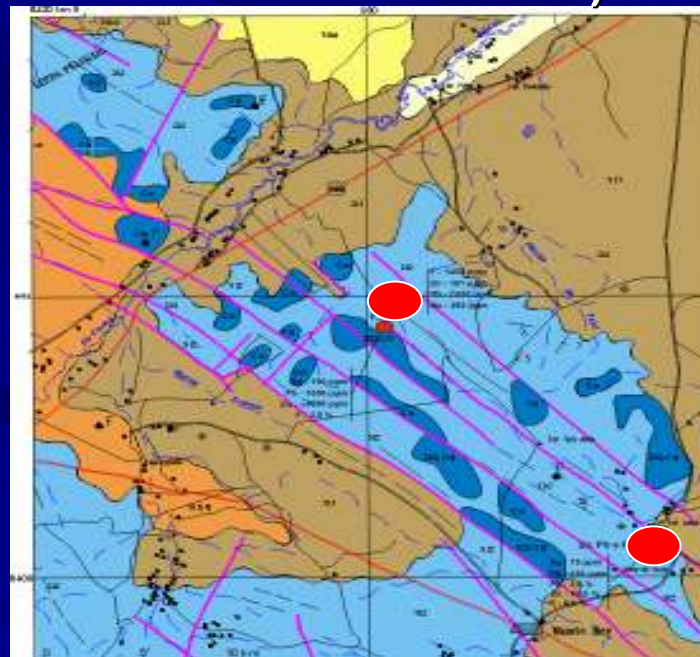
# Proterozoic Sediment-Hosted Pb-Zn deposits of the São Francisco Craton



# Chapada Diamantina



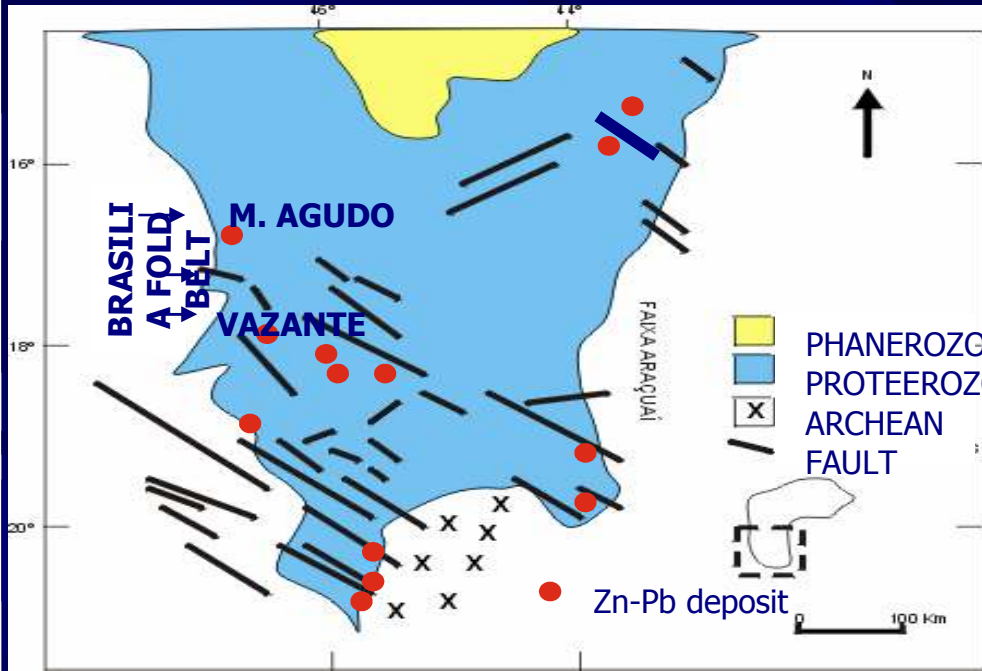
# Côcos-Montalvania (São Francisco Basin)



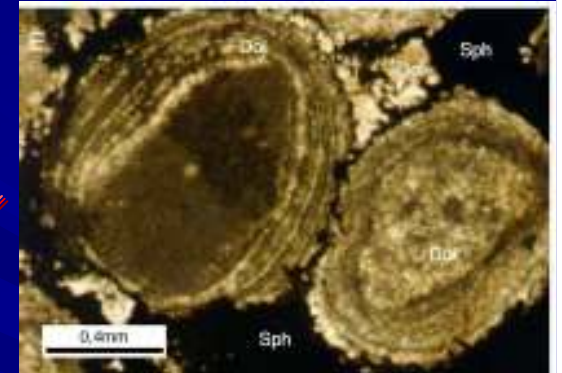
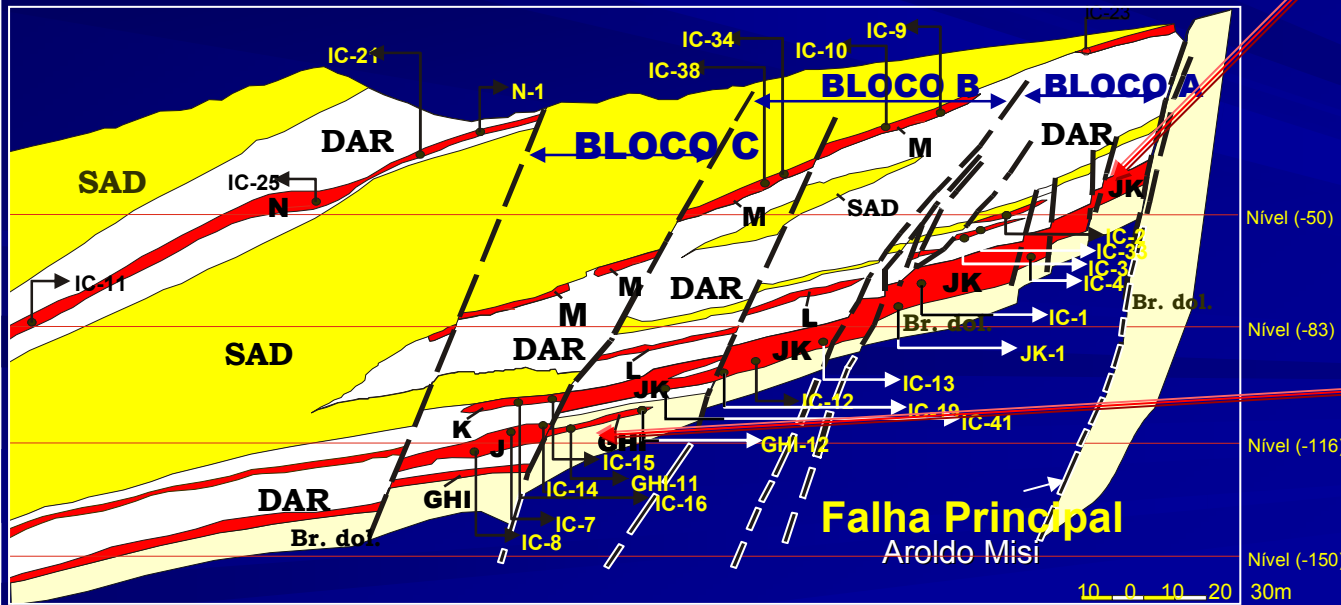
- Phanerozoic
- L. Jacaré/S.Sta.Helena
- Sete Lagoas 3
- Sete Lagoas 2
- Sete Lagoas 1
- Pb-Zn
- Fault

Neoproterozoic

# South São Francisco Craton

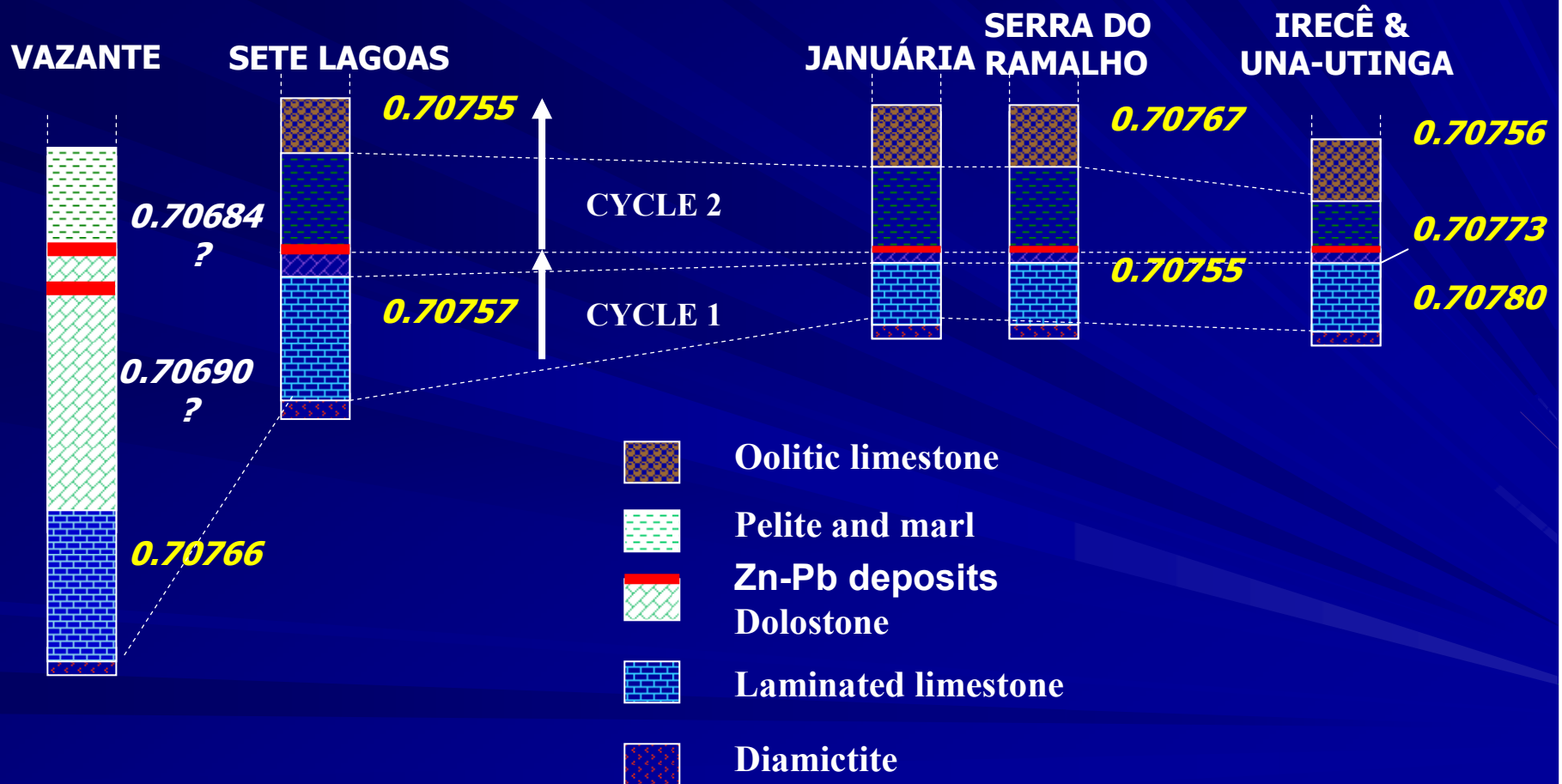


# Morro Agudo Mine

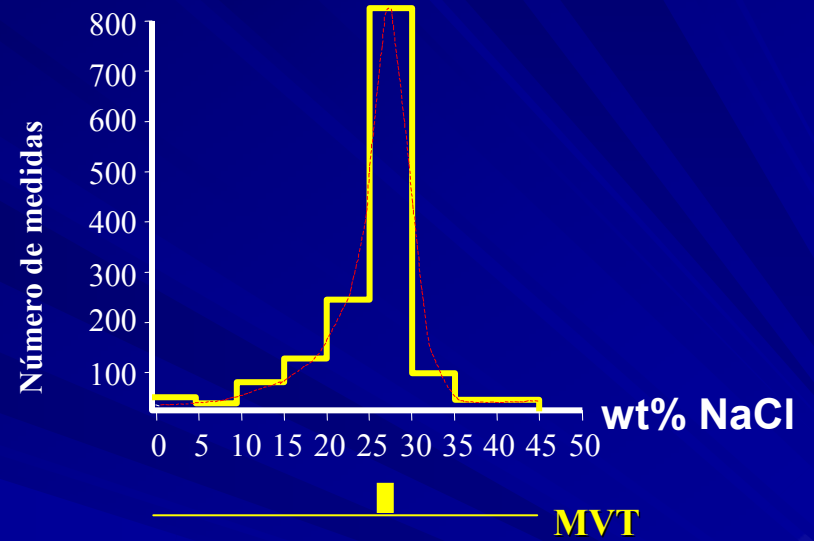
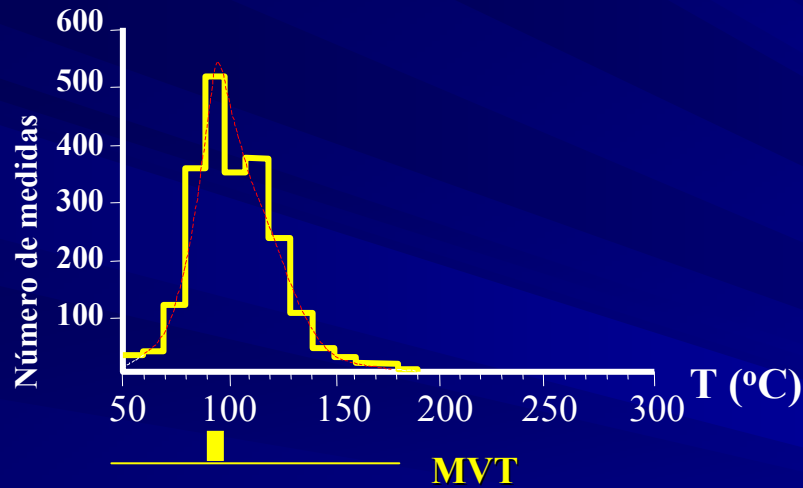


# STRATIGRAPHIC CONTROLS AND CORRELATIONS

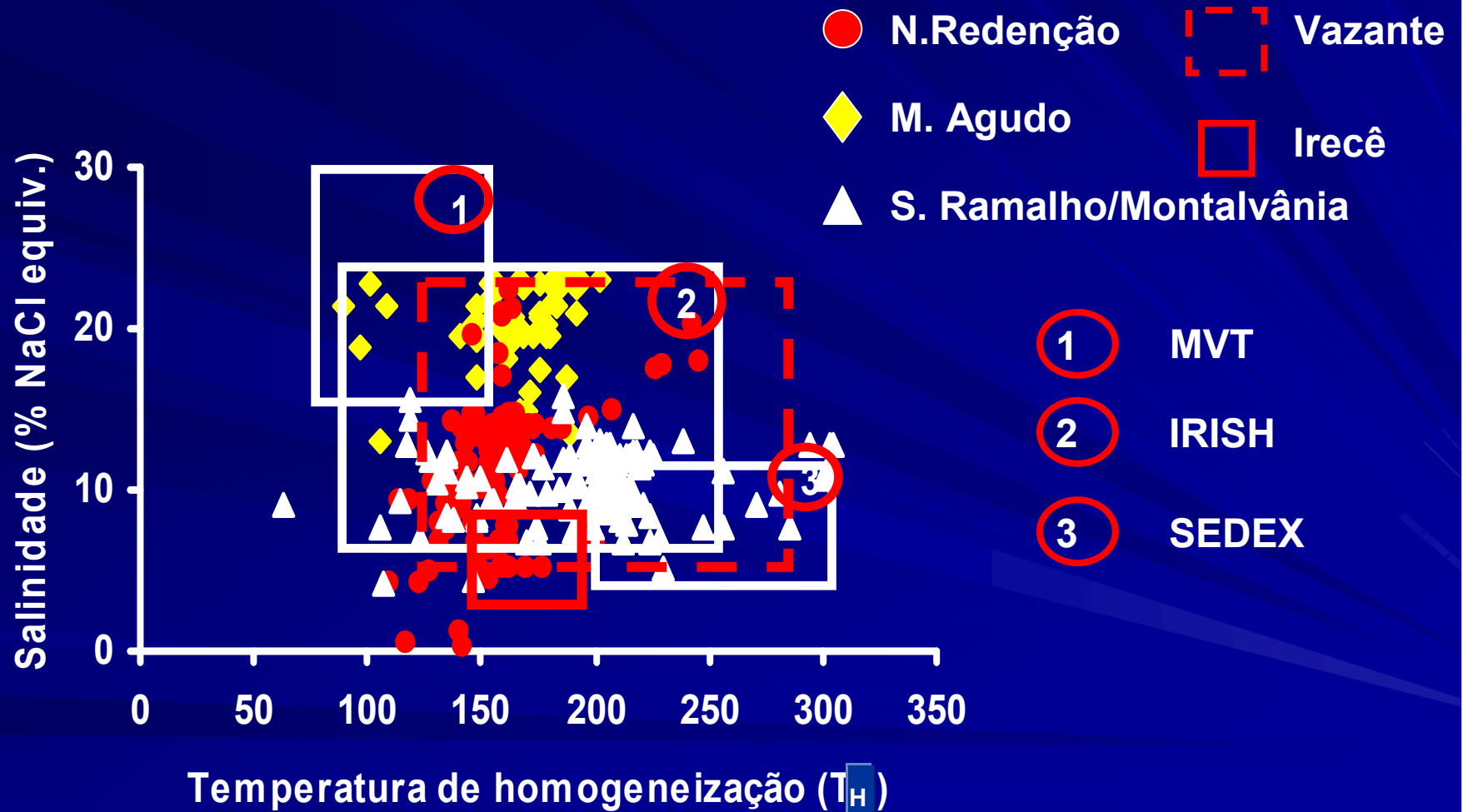
730 to 600 Ma.



# Mississippi Valley-type (MVT) deposits ?



# HOMOGENIZATION TEMPERATURES AND SALINITIES FROM PRIMARY FLUID INCLUSIONS



# Model of fluid circulation applied to the Zn-Pb mineralizing fluids in the Proterozoic basins of the SFC

S. Francisco Craton



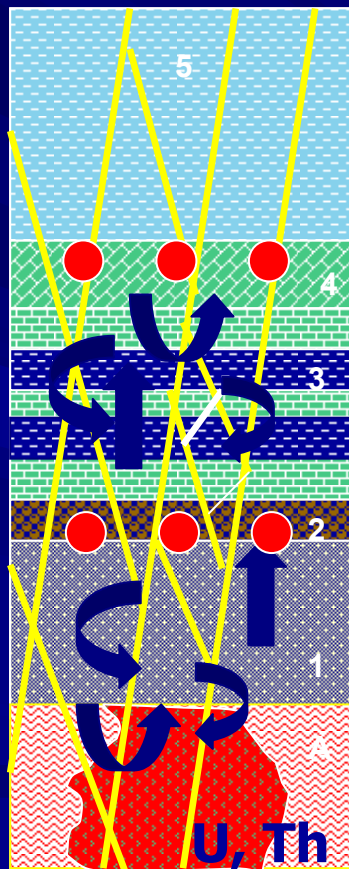
Conceptual model



NEOPROTEROZOIC

MESOPROTEROZOIC

- Paleoproterozoic and Archean basement w/ high heat flow
- Paleoproterozoic U-Th-K rich granites
- Negative Bouguer anomalies



High radiogenic heat liberated by late episode of fracturing

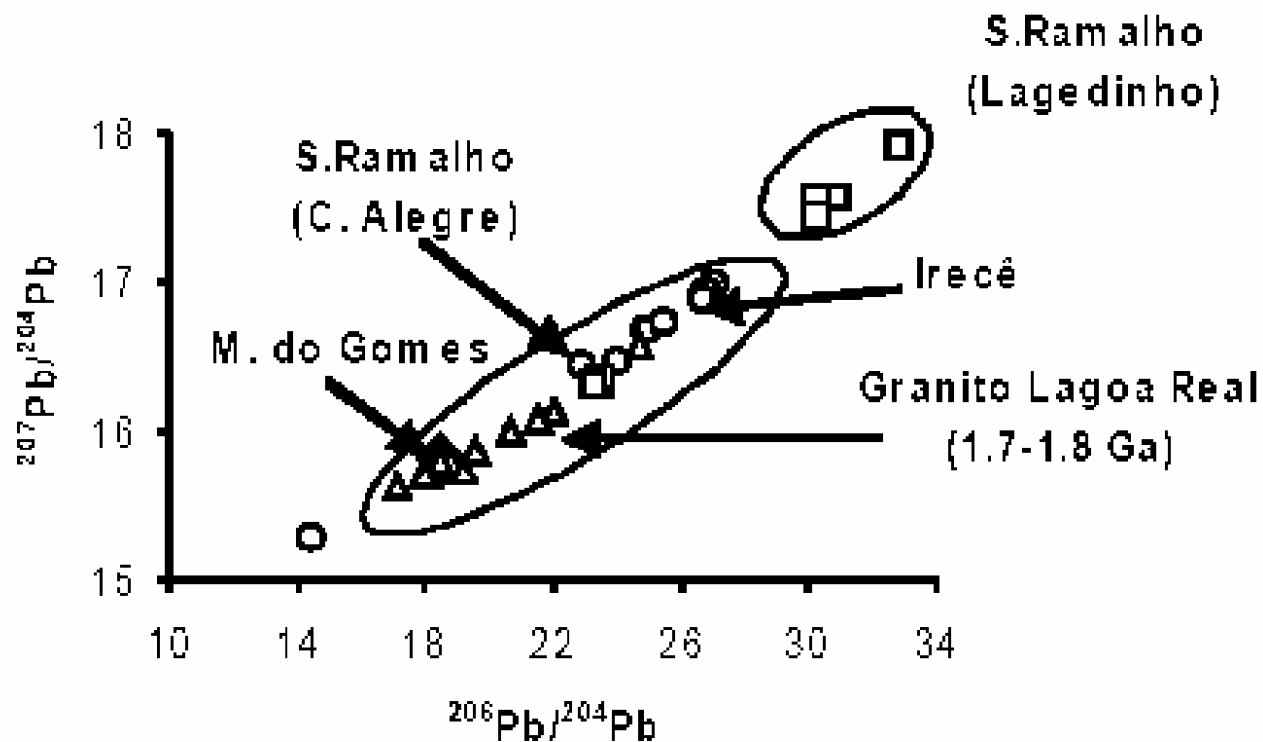
HHP K-rich granites (below) are possible sources for Zn and Pb

- High Heat Production (HHP) granites:**
- Elevated heat flow ( $>60\text{mW m}^{-2}$ )
  - U-Th rich (U $>6\text{ppm}$  and/or Th $>25\text{ppm}$ )
  - Strong negative Bouguer anomalies

**Sources:** Iyer & Hamza, 1992; Iyer et al., 1996; Misi, 1999; Misi et al., 2005

Aroldo Misi **Sources:** Spirakis & Heyl, 1998; Sangster et al., 1998; Fehn, 1985; O' Connor, 1986

# Ratio plots for Irecê/M.do Gomes (Irecê sub-basin) and S.do Ramalho (S.Francisco Basin) sulfides and for Lagoa Real granites

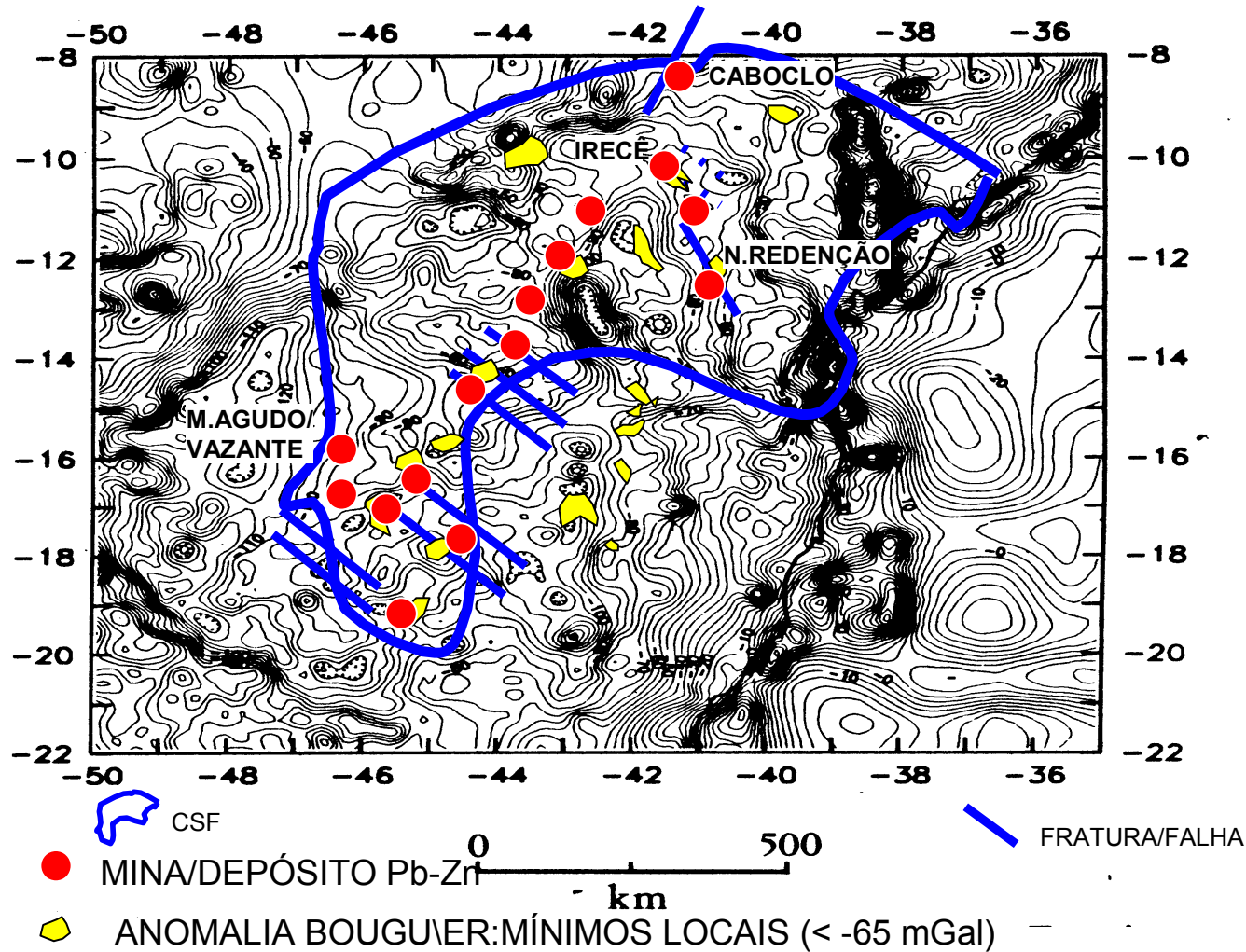


**Lagoa Real Granites:**  
U = 4 – 20 ppm  
Th = 17 – 76 ppm  
(Maruéjol et al., 1987)

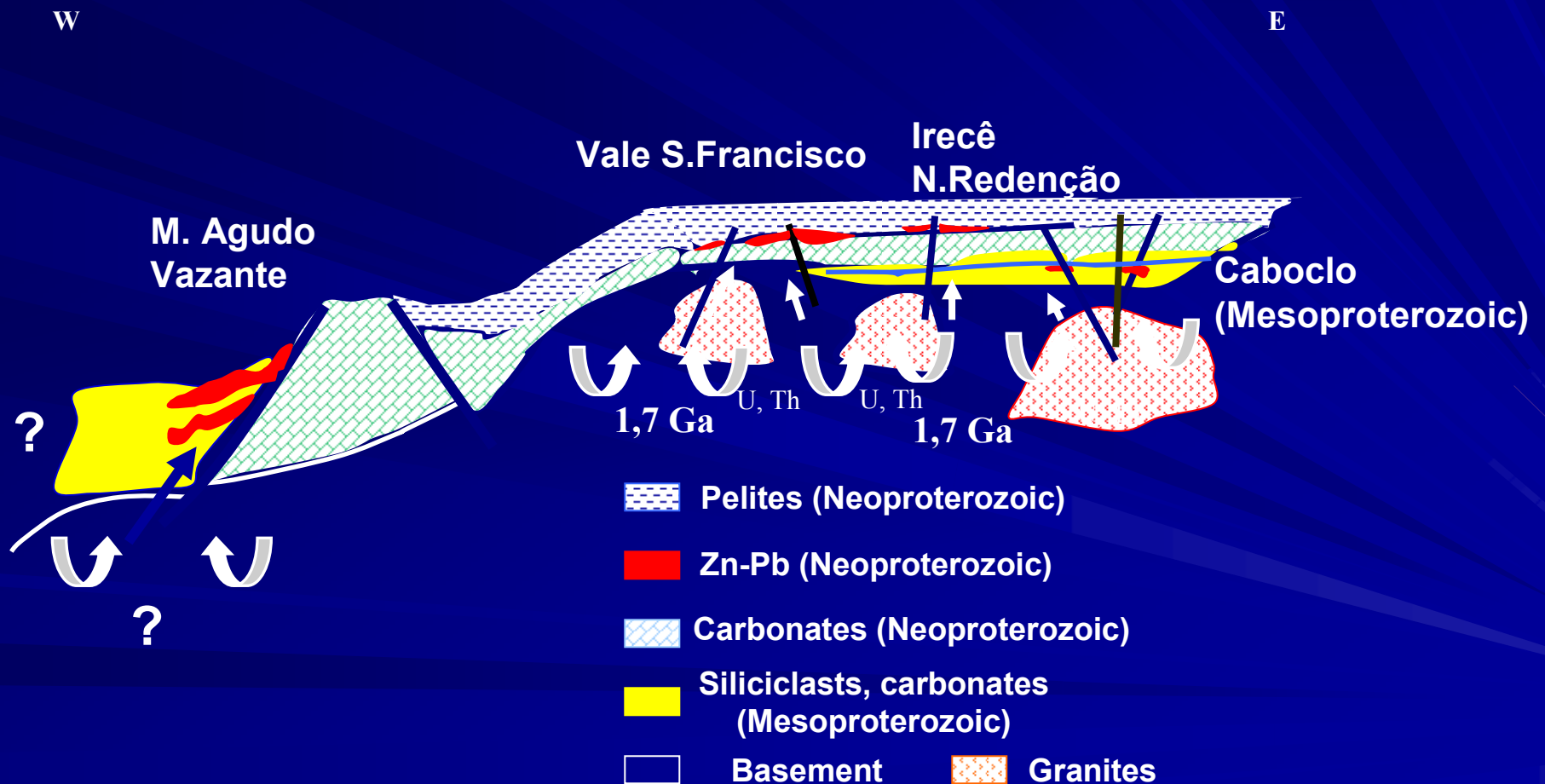
**HHP granites?**

Misi et al., 2004

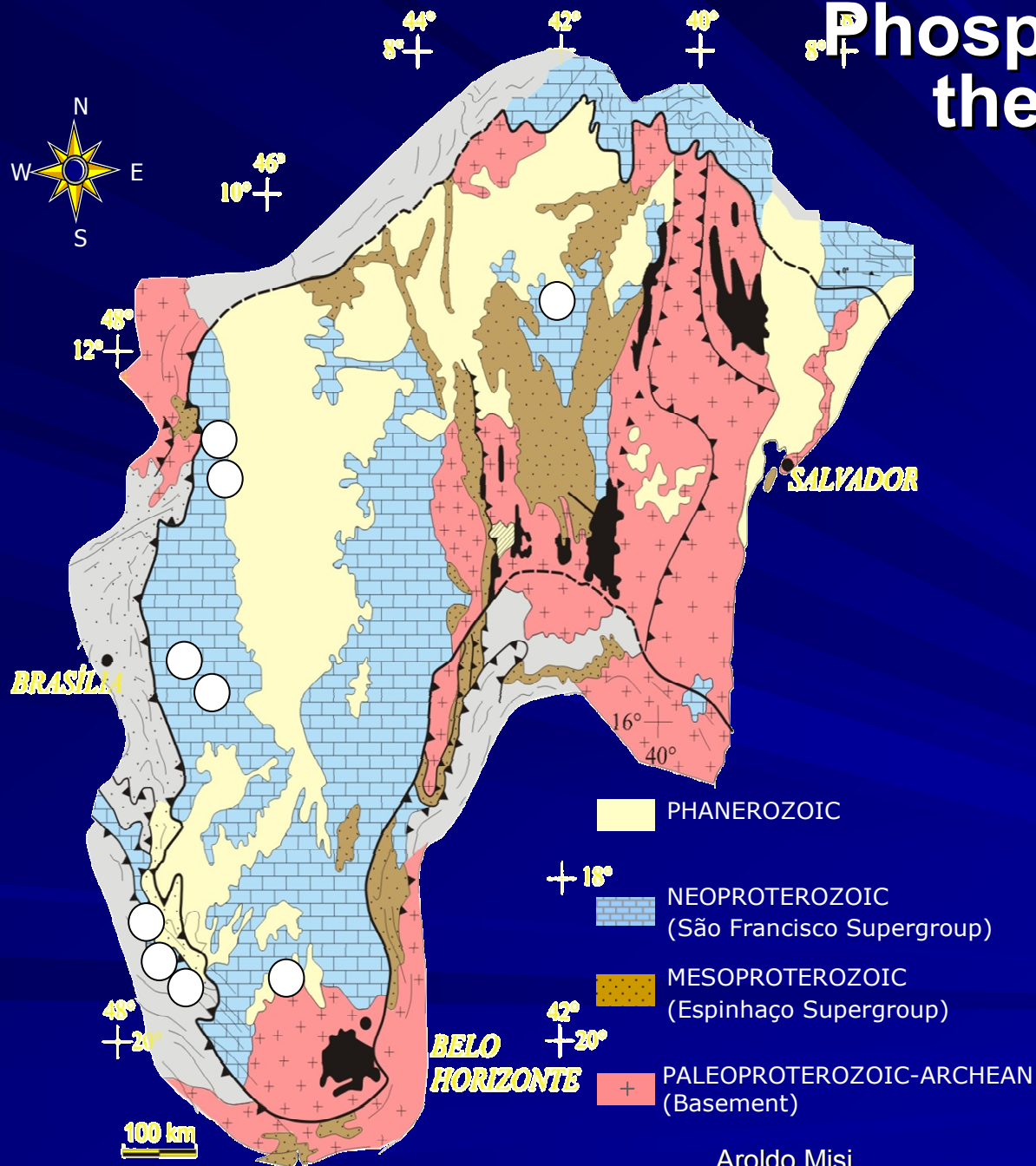
# NEGATIVE BOUGUER ANOMALIES AND Pb-Zn MINERALIZATION



# A POSSIBLE METALLOGENIC EVOLUTION MODEL FOR THE Zn-Pb DEPOSITS OF THE SÃO FRANCISCO CRATON



# Phosphate deposits of the S. Francisco Craton



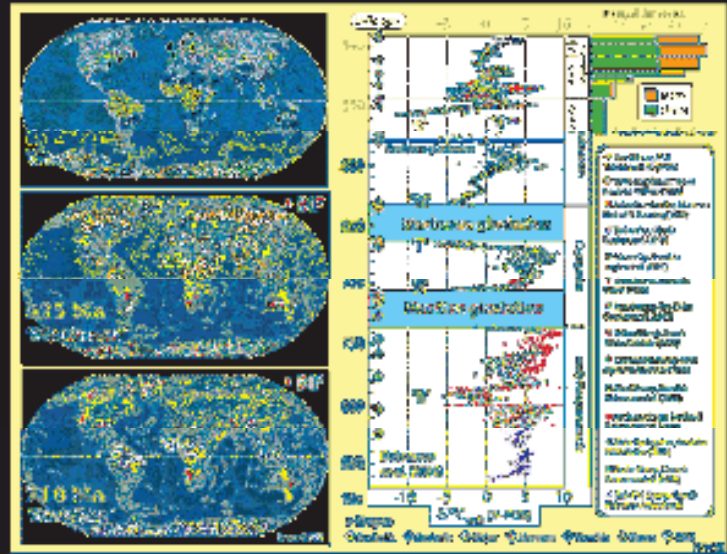
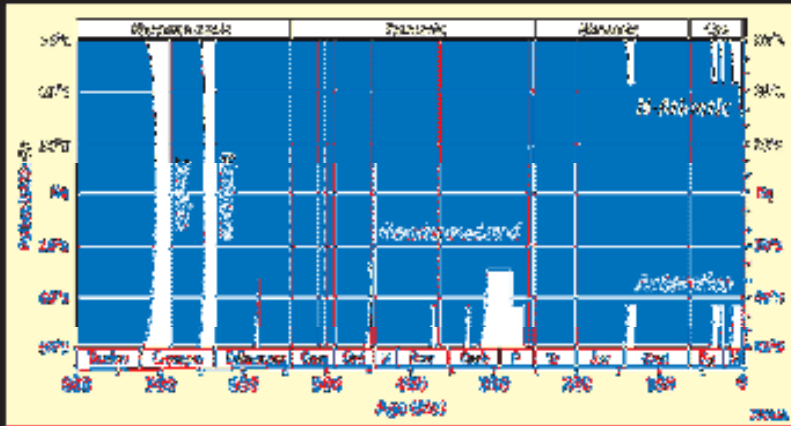
- 1 Campos Belo
- 2 Nova Roma
- 3 Formosa
- 4 Cabeceiras
- 5 Vazante
- 6 Lagamar
- 7 Rocinha
- 8 Cedro do Abaeté
- 9 Irecê

# Some factual information about phosphorites and phosphogenesis

- 20% of the phosphate production of the world comes from Precambrian and Cambrian phosphorites.
- The formation of phosphorites is episodic and related to events of global extent.
- During the Proterozoic the most important phosphogenic events occurred in the Neoproterozoic Era: (i) 700-800 Ma and (ii) 620 Ma (Cook & Shergold, 1980).

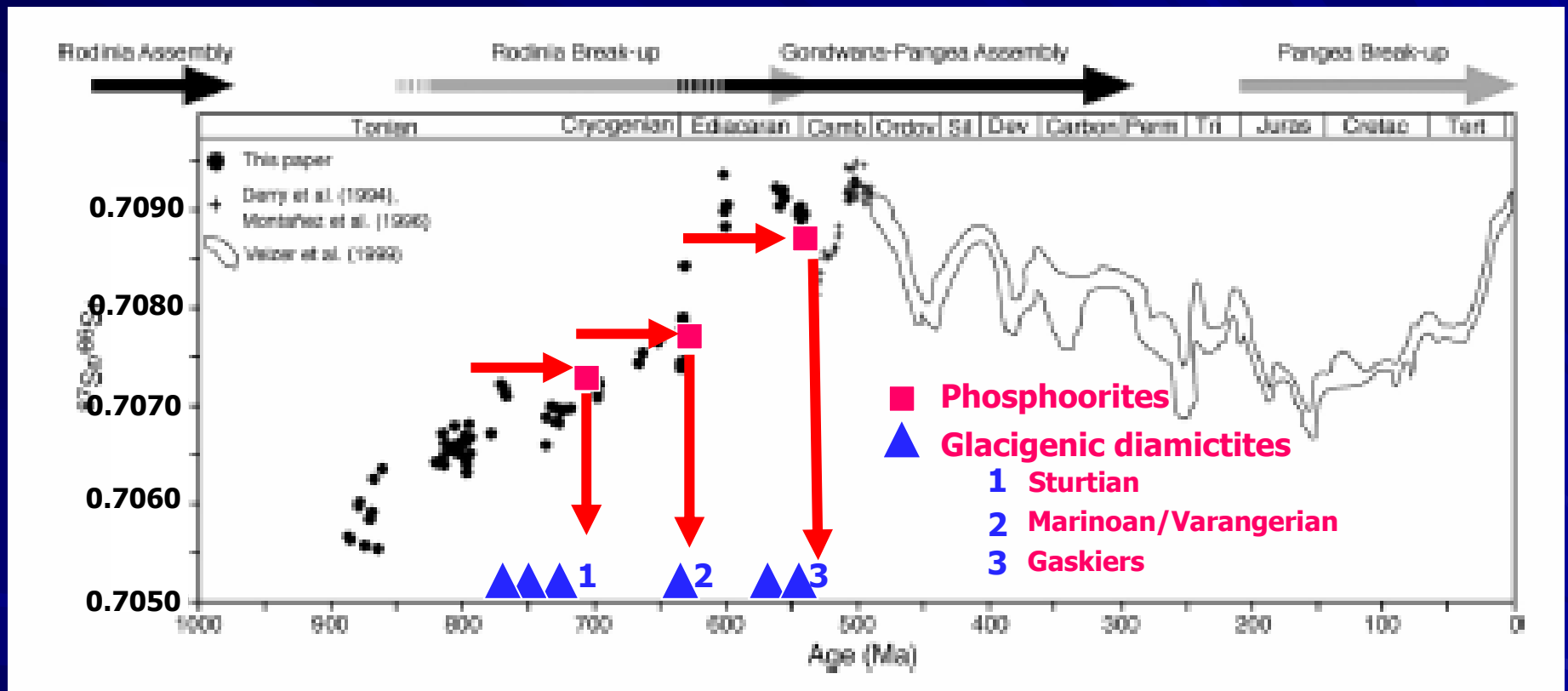
# Snowball Earth

**Paleogeographic extent of continental ice sheets and permanent sea ice over the last 800 Myr (red lines indicate major mass extinctions)**

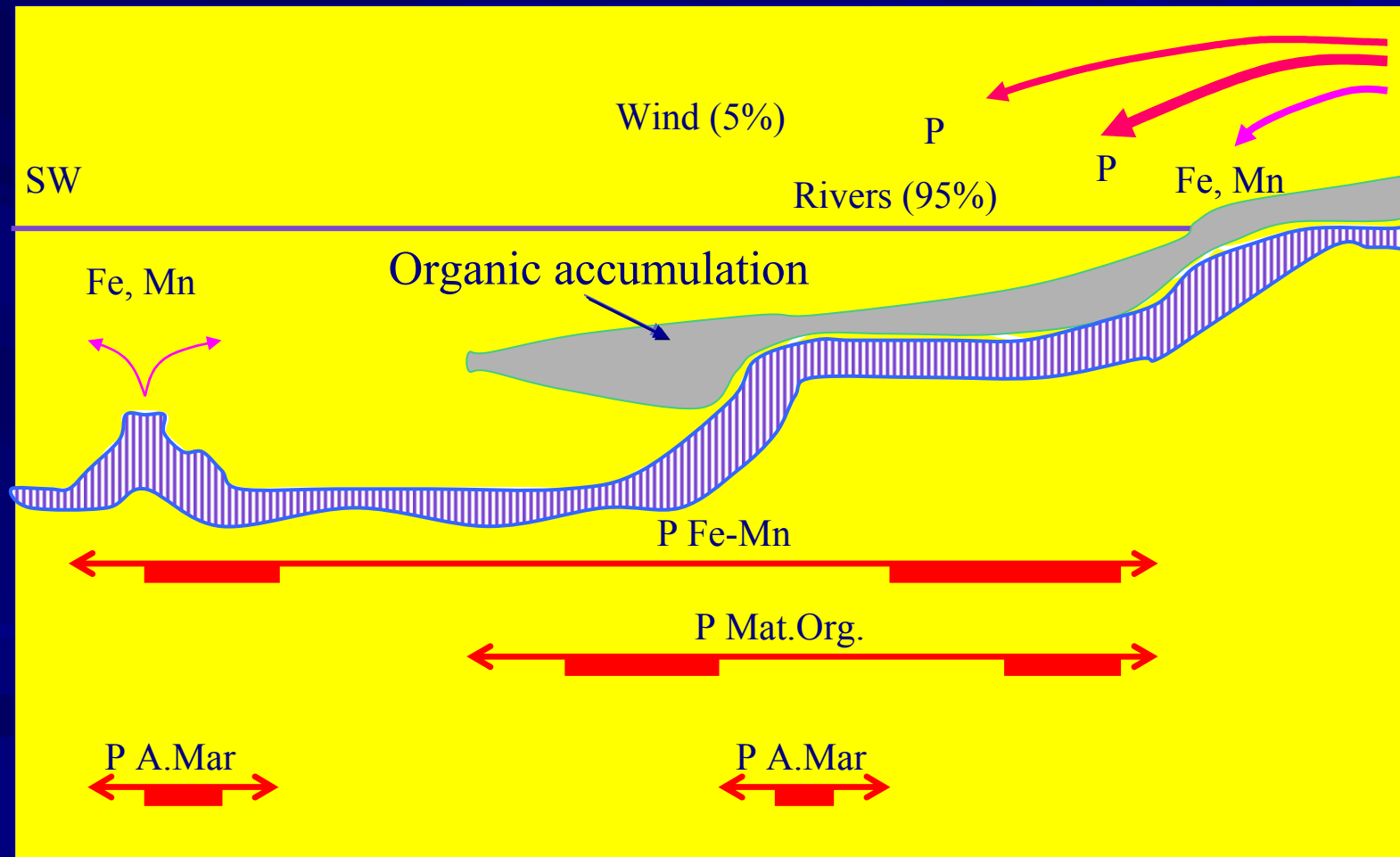


Marinoan tillite

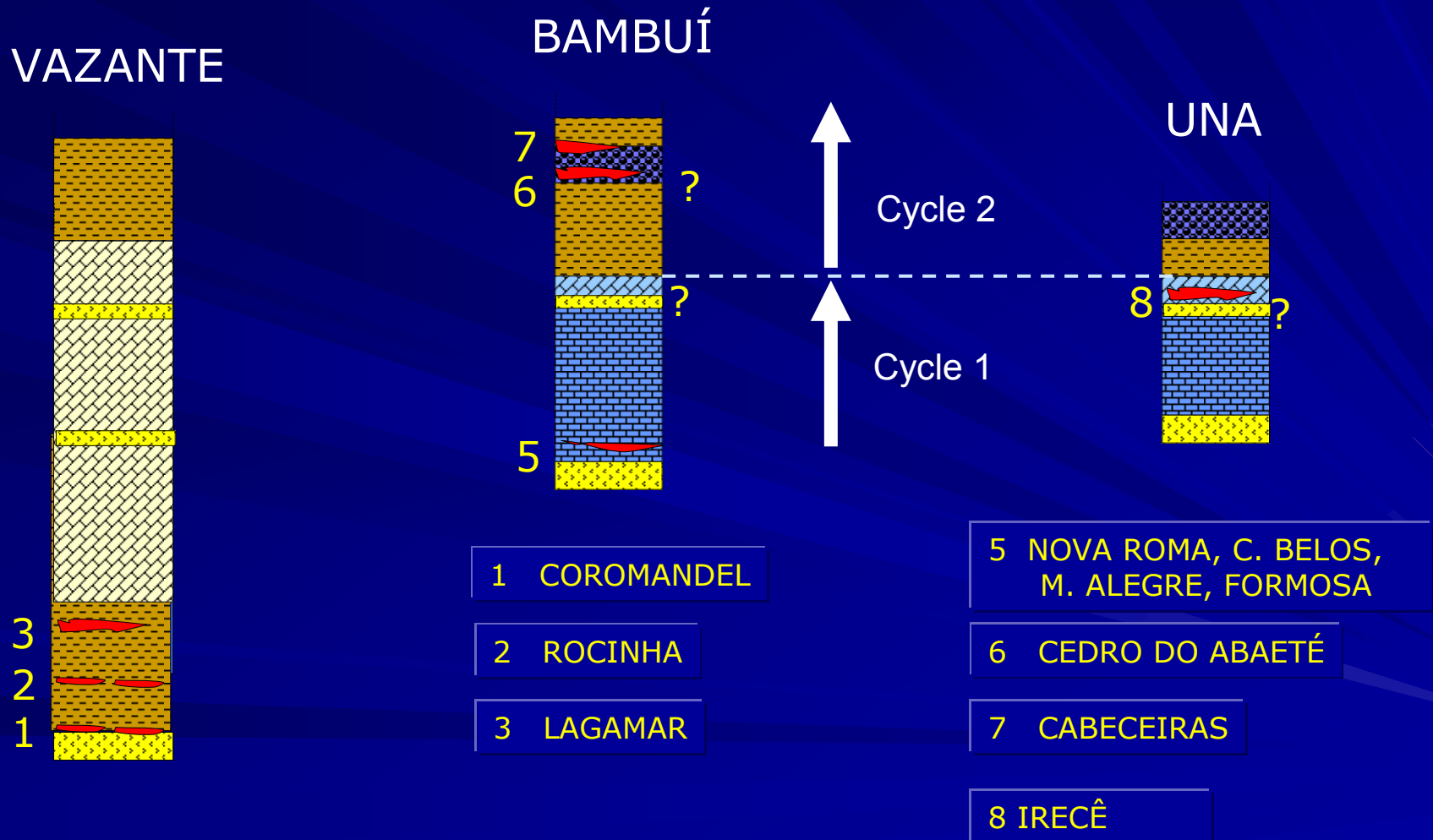
# Glacial events and phosphate deposits Neoproterozoic Era



# P CYCLE AND P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> CONCENTRATION



# Stratigraphic controls of the phosphate deposits: related to glacial events ?



# Irecê Basin



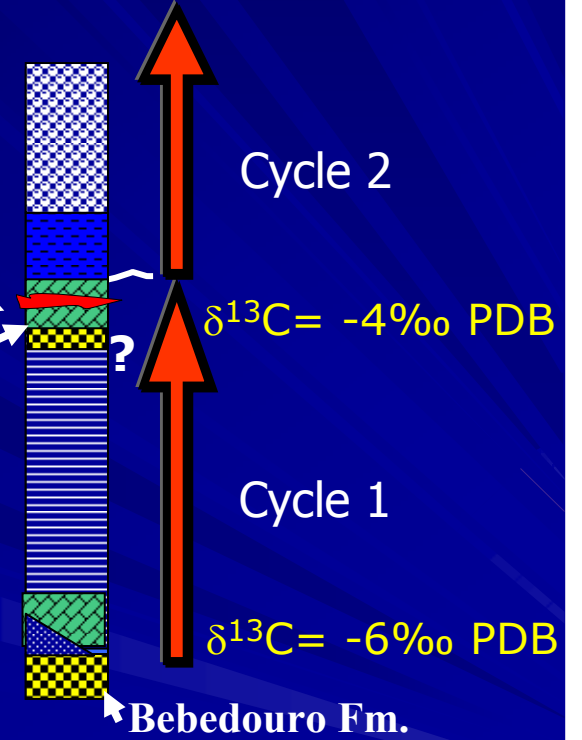
Aragonite ppt.)



Dolomite

Fe oxide

Irecê



Cycle 2

$\delta^{13}\text{C} = -4\text{‰ PDB}$

Cycle 1

$\delta^{13}\text{C} = -6\text{‰ PDB}$

Bebedouro Fm.



Diamictite



Phosphorite

## Irecê (Una Group)



## Lagamar (Vazante Group)



Banded phosphorite Initial reserves: 5 Mt 35%  $P_2O_5$



Stromatolitic phosphorite  
Initial reserves: 240 Mt 14%  $P_2O_5$

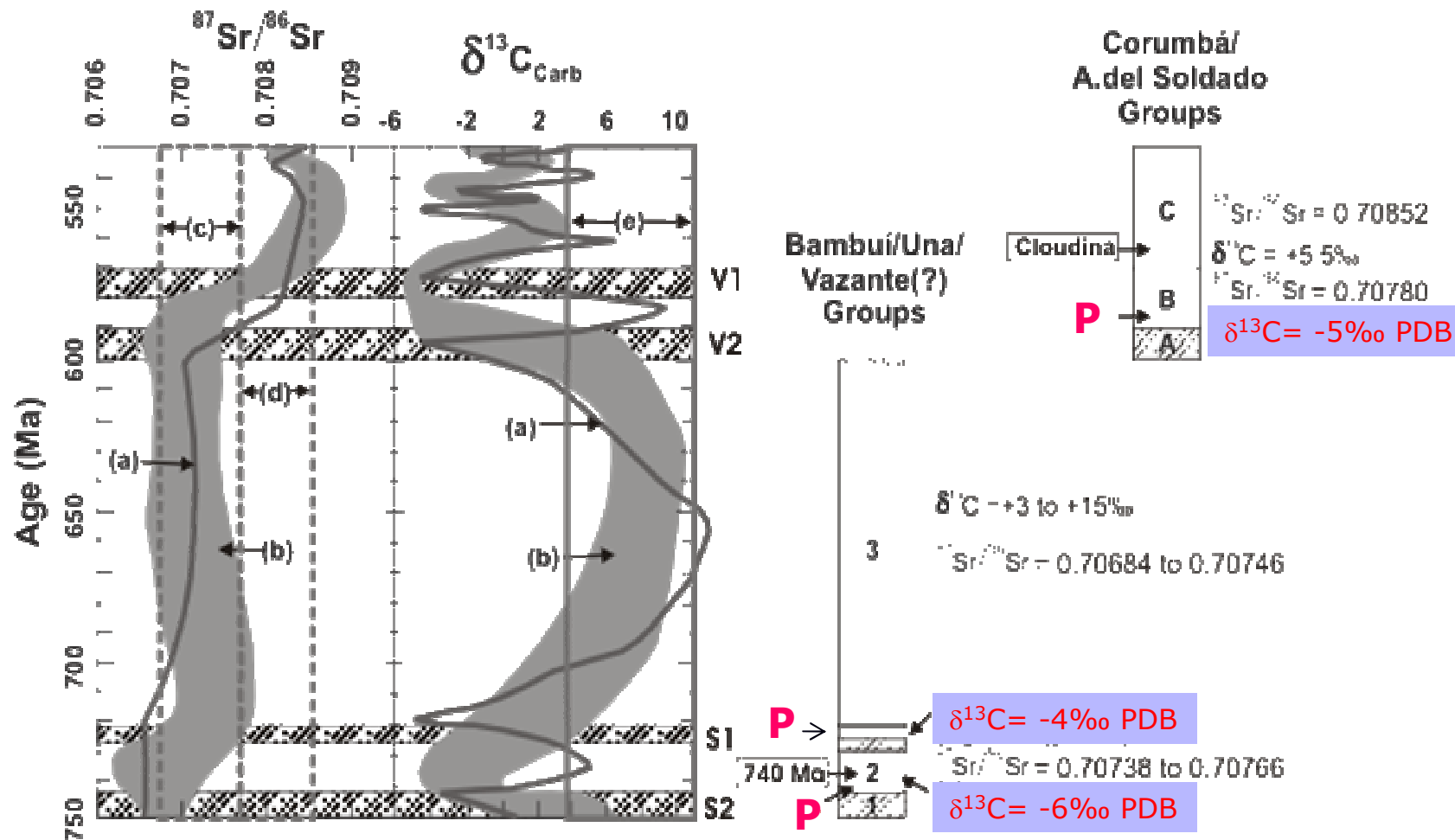
## Rocinha (Vazante Group)



Banded phosphorite Initial reserves: 200 Mt 12%  $P_2O_5$

# Least $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ ratios from Rocinha, Lagamar and Irecê

	Sr (ppm)	$^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$	
	Phosphorite	Phosphorite	Micrite
ROCINHA	5680	0.70766	0.70760
LAGAMAR	2095	0.70767	-
IRECÊ	623	0.71263	0.70762



### Bambuí/Una/Vazante(?) Groups

- 3 - carbonate sequence "2"
- 2 - carbonate sequence "1"
- 1 - glaciogenic sequence (Jequitai/Bebedouro/ Santo Antonio do Bonito(?) Formations)

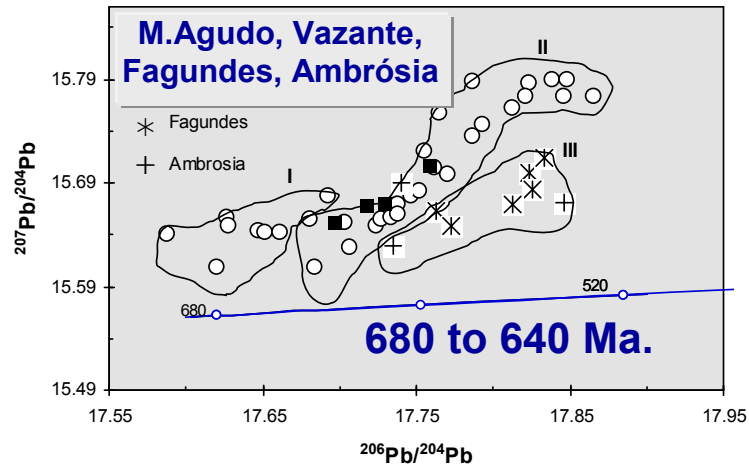
### Corumbá/Arroyo del Soldado Groups

- C - carbonate sequence "2"
- B - carbonate sequence "1"
- A - glaciogenic sequence (Puga Formation)

Misi et al., 2007 (modified)

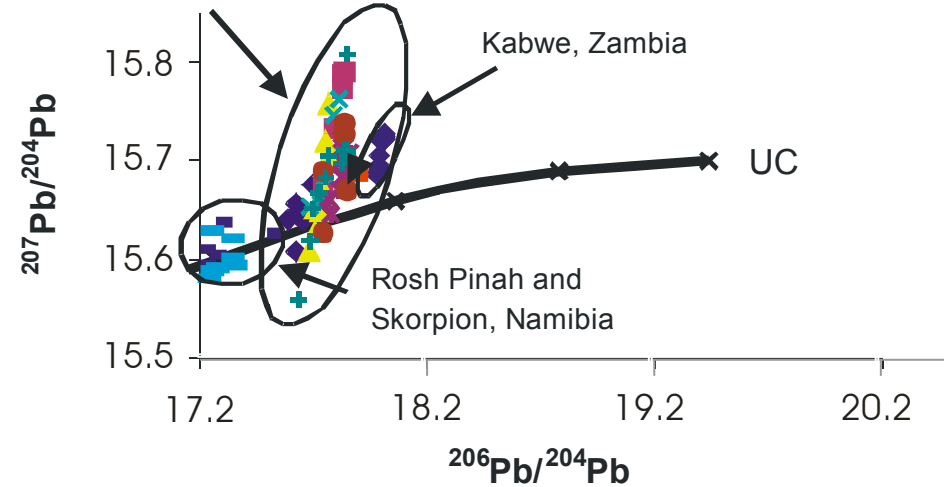
# Ages of Zn-Pb and Phosphate deposits, Vazante Group

## Pb-Pb isotope age: Zn-Pb deposits, Vazante

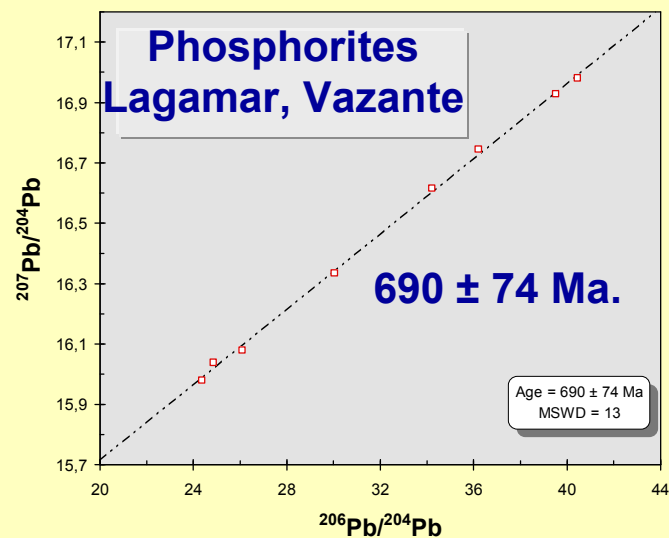


## Comparing w/ Neoproterozoic equiv. in Africa

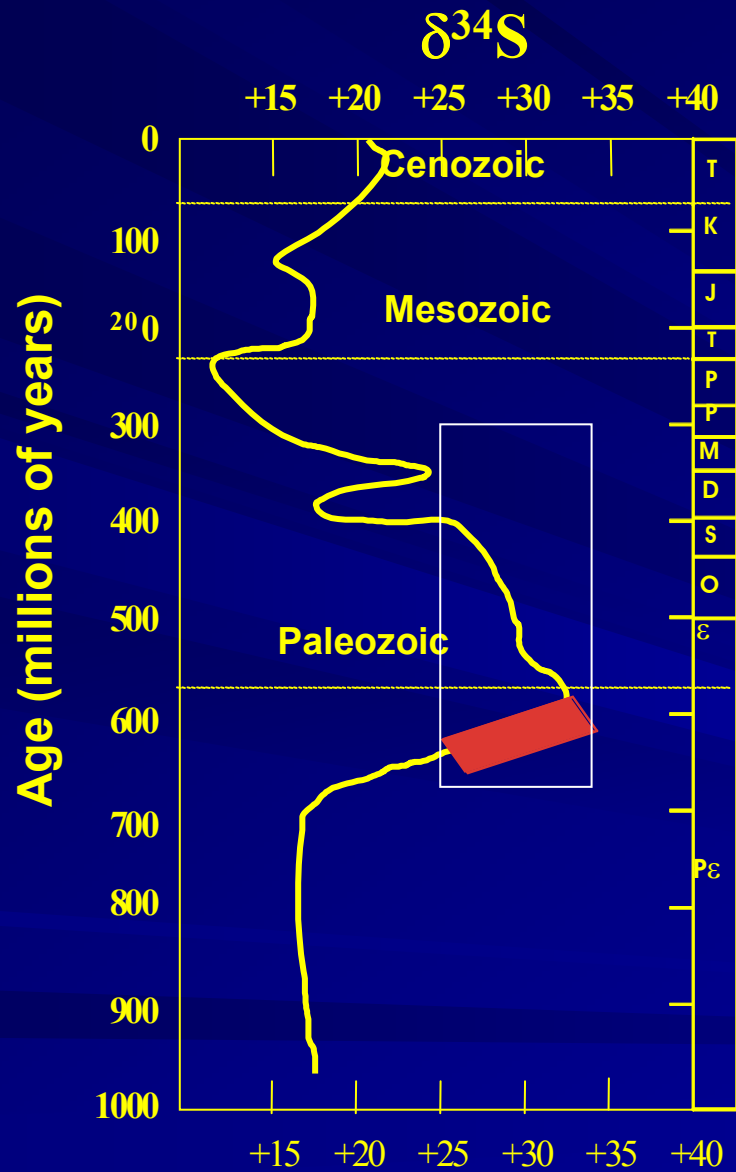
Vazante, M. Agudo, Fagundes and Ambrósia., Brazil



## Pb-Pb age (leachates): P deposits, Vazante



# Estimated ages from $\delta^{34}\text{S}$ of sulfates



Geological Periods

	<b>SULFATES</b> (CDT)
Irecê	+29 (n = 13)
Nova Redenção	+37,5 (n = 4)
Morro Agudo/ Vazante	+24,6 (n = 19)

Misi et al., 2005

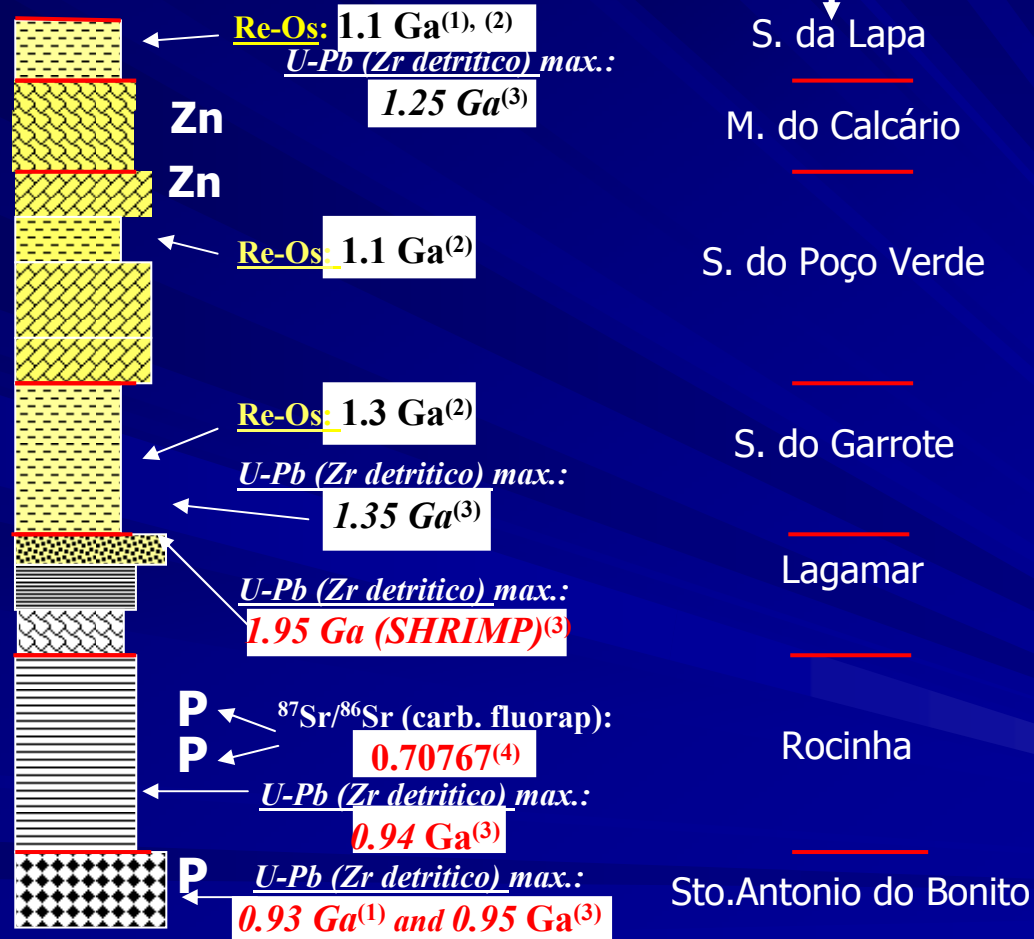
$\delta^{34}\text{S}$

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# The Vazante Group: Ages

## Conventional units (Formations) (Dardenne et al., 2001)

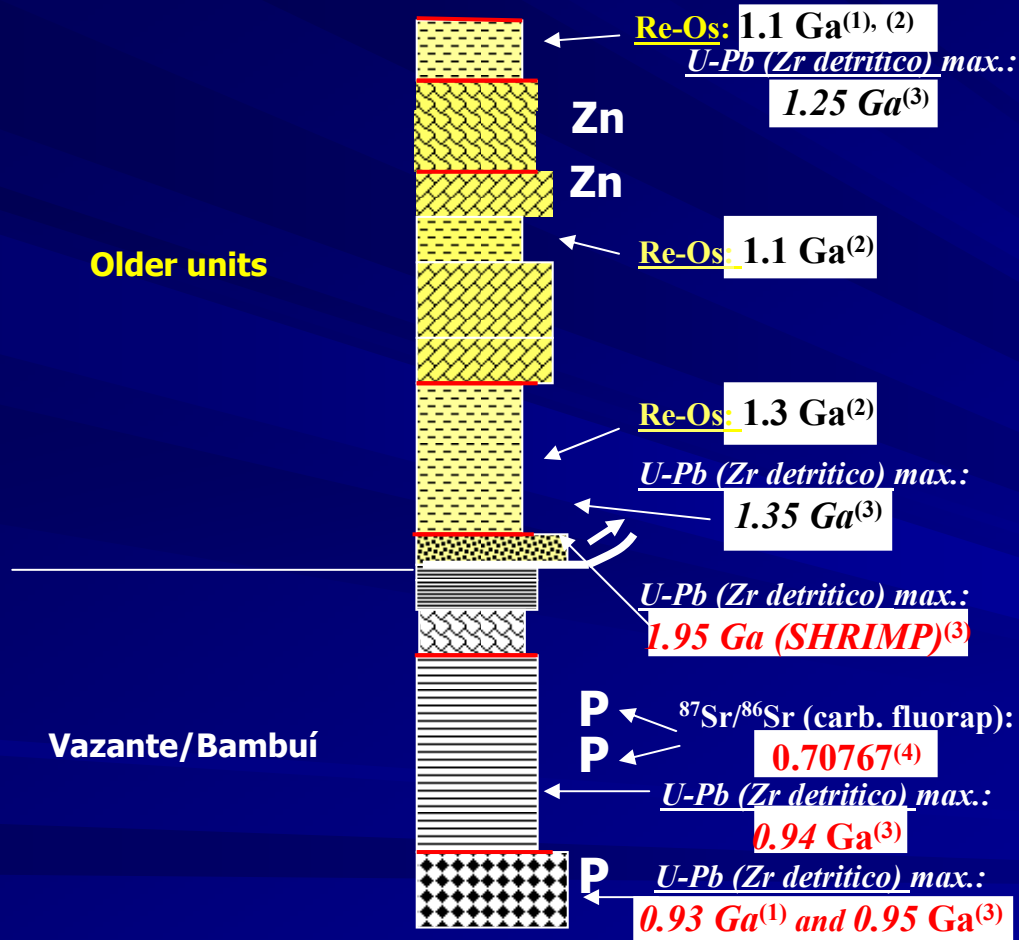


- (1) Azmy et al., 2008
- (2) Kaufman et al., 2007 (unp.)
- (3) Rodrigues et al., 2008
- (4) Misi et al., 2007

# The Vazante Group now: A possible interpretation

## Work hypothesis

## Conventional units (Formations) (Dardenne et al., 2001)



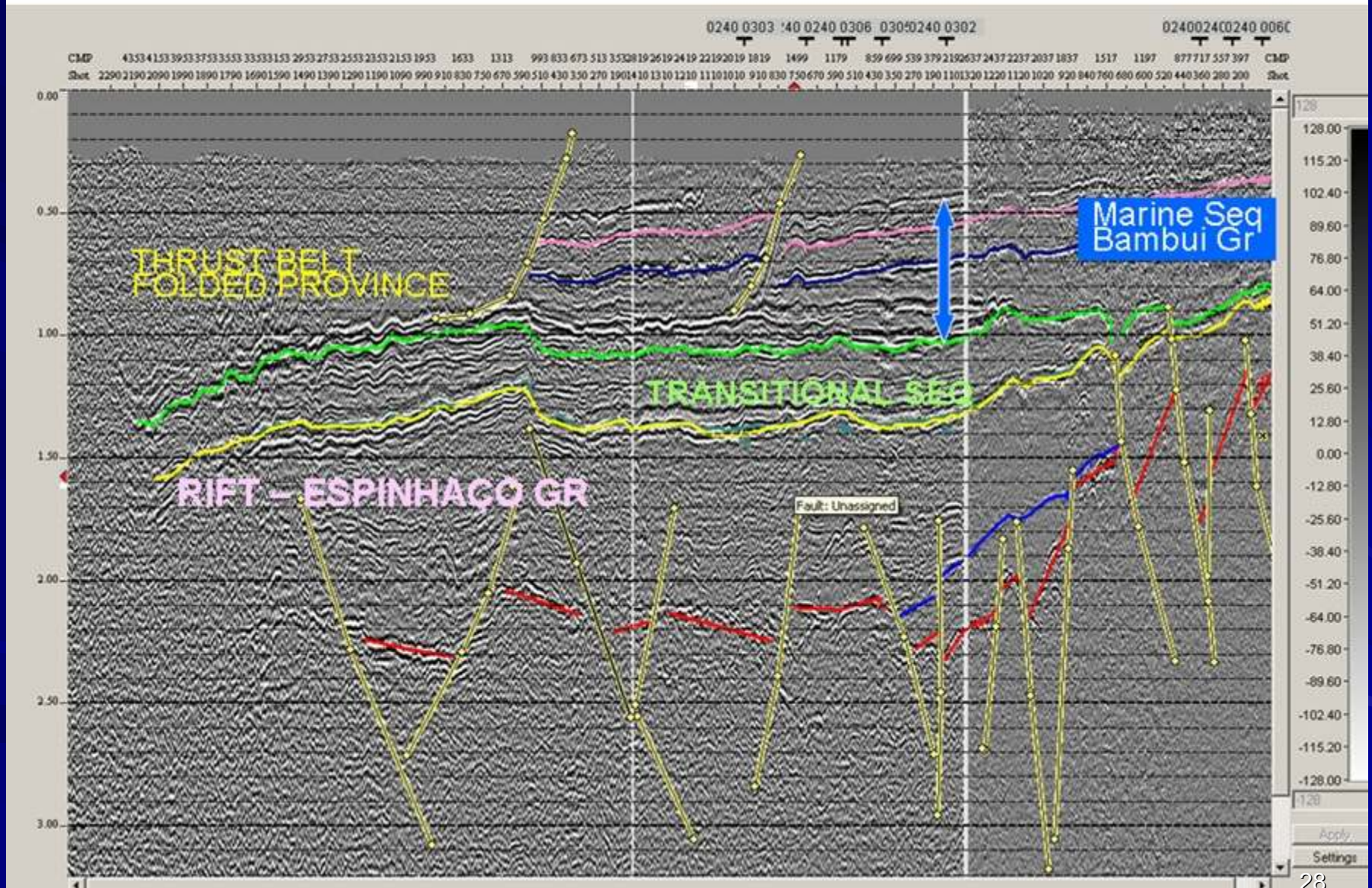
Rocinha

Sto. Antonio do Bonito

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# Seismic section across the SW border of the SF Craton (by Petrobras)



# CONCLUSÕES

- Os eventos metalogenéticos (Zn-Pb) e fosfogenéticos das bacias Proterozóicas intracratônicas e de margens passivas do Cráton do São Francisco estão relacionados a eventos globais ocorridos durante a Era Neoproterozóica.
- Esses eventos estão bem representados no Grupo Vazante, em duas seções com idades distintas, separadas por uma falha de empurrão, que coloca sequências mais antigas (mesoproterozóicas), mineralizadas em Zn-Pb, sobre outras mais novas (neoproterozóicas), mineralizadas em fosfato.
- Os modelos de exploração mineral devem considerar a possibilidade de existirem outros depósitos econômicos de metais-base principalmente nas bacias de margem passiva, por causa da maior espessura do pacote sedimentar. Os fosforitos podem ocorrer tanto nas bacias intracratônicas como nas de margem passiva, em ambientes sedimentares pós-glaciais..