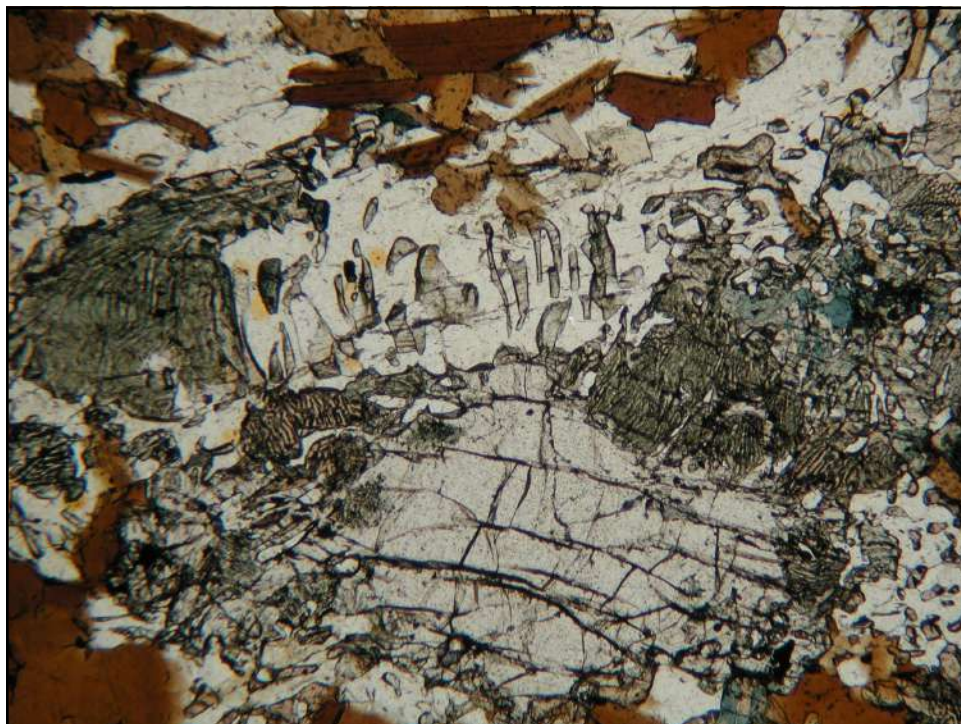
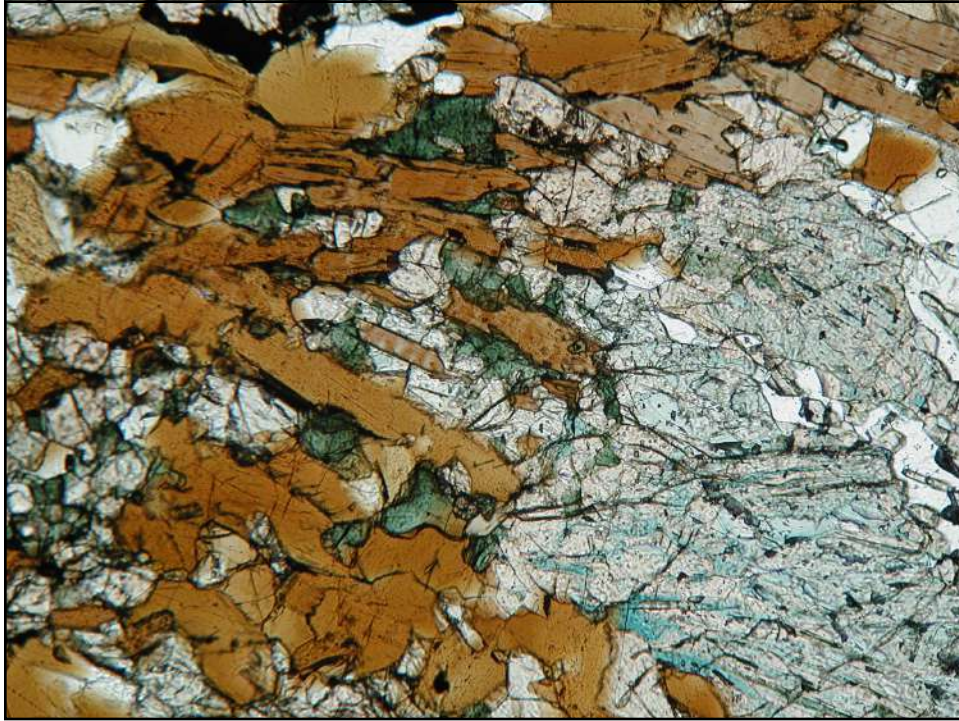




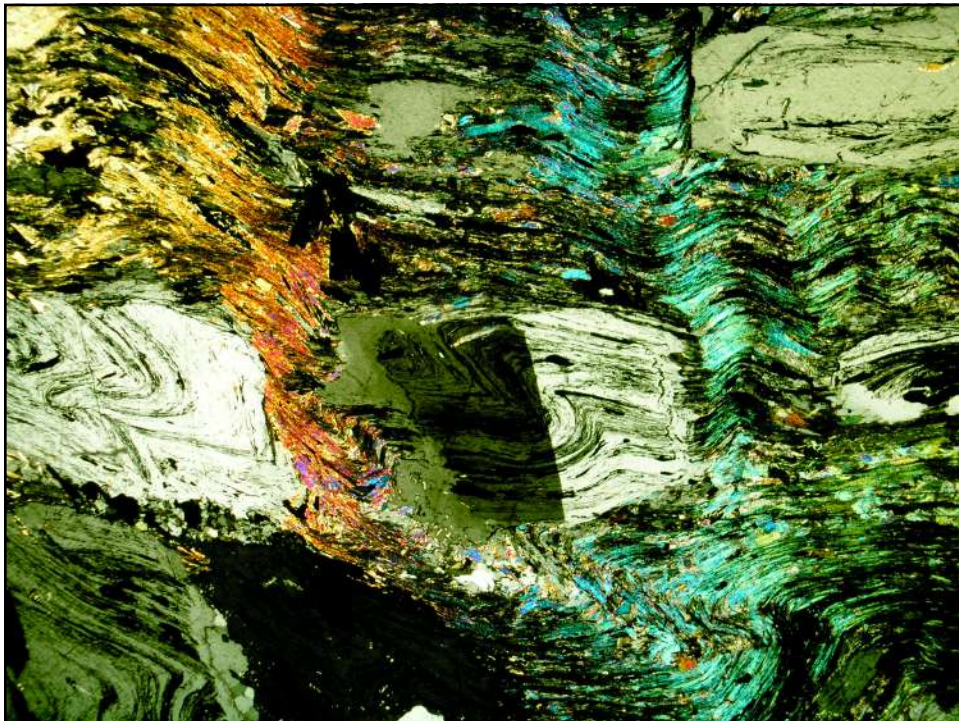
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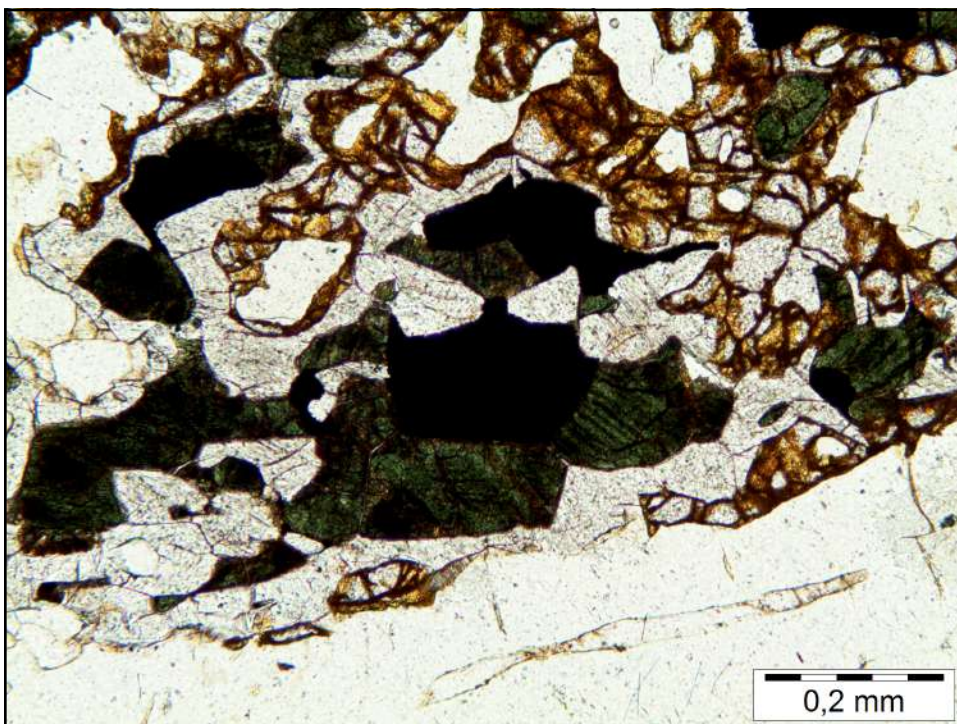
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Metamorfismo

- ▶ Metamorfismo é o conjunto de transformações no estado sólido (mineralógicas e texturais) que as rochas sofrem (ou apreciam) em virtude de mudanças, principalmente, **de temperatura e pressão**, da composição e quantidade de fluidos e mudança no regime de esforços a que são submetidas após sua formação

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Perguntas que temos que responder

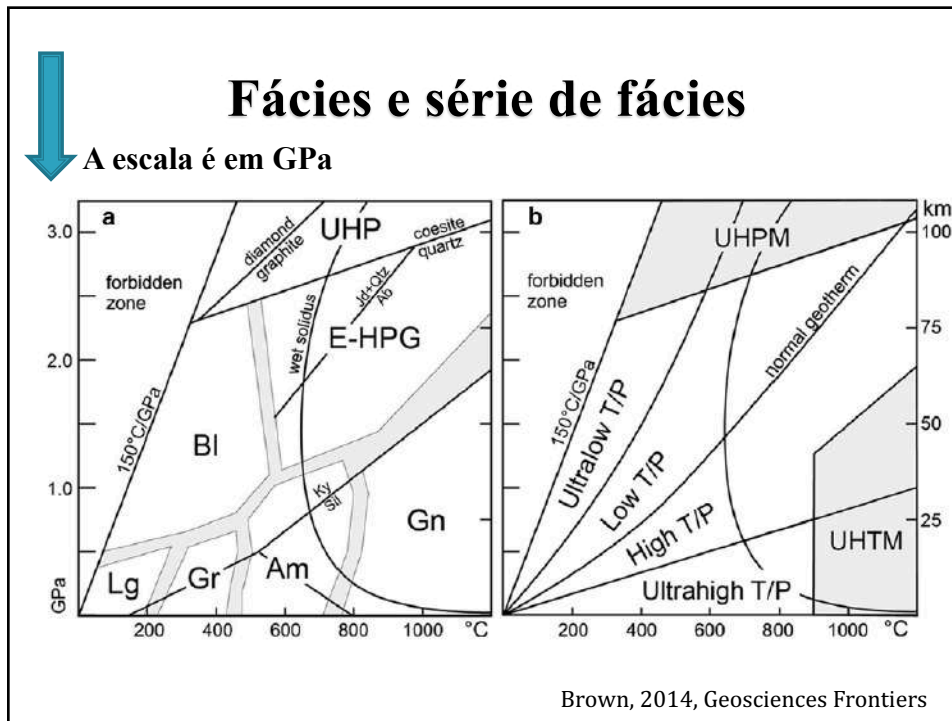
- ▶ Por que ocorre metamorfismo?
- ▶ O que controla o metamorfismo?
- ▶ O que são trajetórias P - T - t ?
- ▶ Em quais ambientes tectônicos ocorre metamorfismo?
 - O metamorfismo é igual em todos ambientes (regimes e trajetórias P - T - t)?
- ▶ Muitas rochas metamórficas são formadas em diversas profundidades. Como elas afloram na superfície do planeta?
- ▶ E as rochas de metamorfismo extremo, granulitos e eclogitos, quais são as fontes de calor e como funciona sua exumação?

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Por que ocorre metamorfismo?

- ▶ Metamorfismo é a resposta que as rochas dão à perturbação da geoterma crustal e também à profundidade em que são soterradas (tectonicamente)
- ▶ A geoterma continental é perturbada durante a colisão continental, formação de arco magmático ou em *rifts*
- ▶ A geoterma oceânica é perturbada nas cadeias oceânicas e em zonas de subducção

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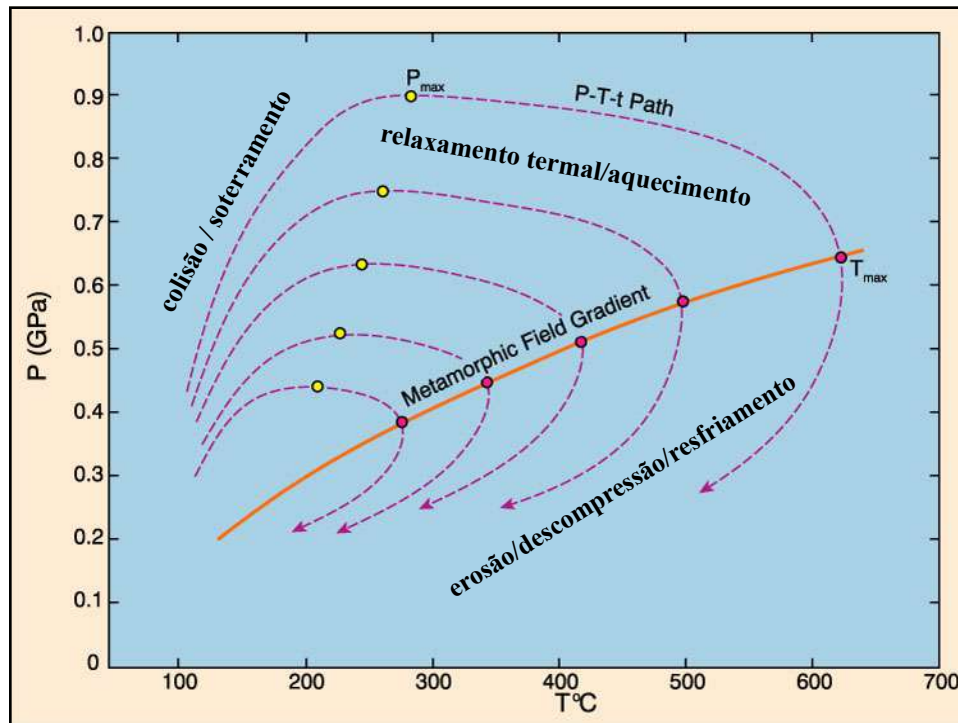
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Trajetórias P - T - t e gradiente metamórfico de campo

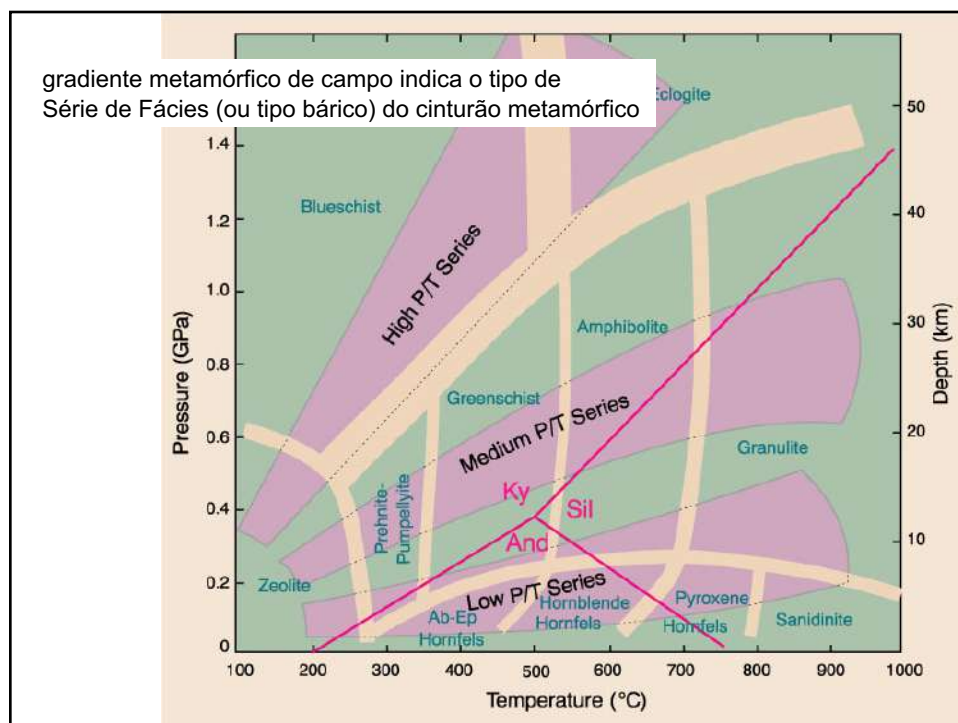
- ▶ Trajetória P - T - t define o caminho no espaço P - T que a rocha traçou dentro da litosfera em relação ao tempo
- ▶ Isso nos dá ideia do soterramento, aquecimento, resfriamento e exumação da rocha
- ▶ O gradiente metamórfico de campo é a linha definida em campo pelo pico metamórfico de rochas de uma coluna metamorfizada em um único evento e indica a série de fácies

Turner, 1981

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Agentes físicos do metamorfismo

- ▶ **Temperatura**
- ▶ **Pressão**
- ▶ Deformação
- ▶ Fluidos
- ▶ Composição da rocha

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Por que ocorre metamorfismo?

- ▶ Para sabermos porque ocorre metamorfismo, precisamos entender como as duas variáveis intensivas mais importantes para o metamorfismo, P e T , são controladas tectonicamente
- ▶ Precisamos entender:
 - a relação P vs. profundidade*, e;
 - o que controla a produção de calor e sua relação com a T
 - (ou como as rochas são aquecidas e resfriadas)
 - (ou como as rochas são soterradas e exumadas)

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Pressão

- ▶ Pressão é a segunda variável intensiva mais importante do metamorfismo. Proveniente do peso da coluna de rochas sobrejacente à rocha que esta sendo metamorfizada. Depende da massa e da densidade média das rochas da porção da crosta envolvida
- ▶ P em kbar ou GPa
- ▶ 1 baria = 10^5 Pa
- ▶ 1 kbar = 0,1 GPa

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P em coluna de 1 km (1000m)

rocha	P em bars	P em kbar
granito	264	0,264
basalto	294	0,294
peridotito	323	0,323

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Para atingir 1 kbar de P

H ₂ O mar (fossa das Filipinas)	9 – 10 km
rocha	profundidade
granito	3,8 km
basalto	3,4 km
peridotito	3,1 km

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Pressão vs profundidade

Crosta oceânica	5 – 10 km	1,5 a 3 kbar
Crosta continental	35 – 40 km	10 kbar
orógenos	70 – 80 km	20 kbar

Algumas rochas crustais com coesita e diamante indicam $P > 35$ kbar, ~ 120 km ou mais de profundidade (não de espessura crustal)

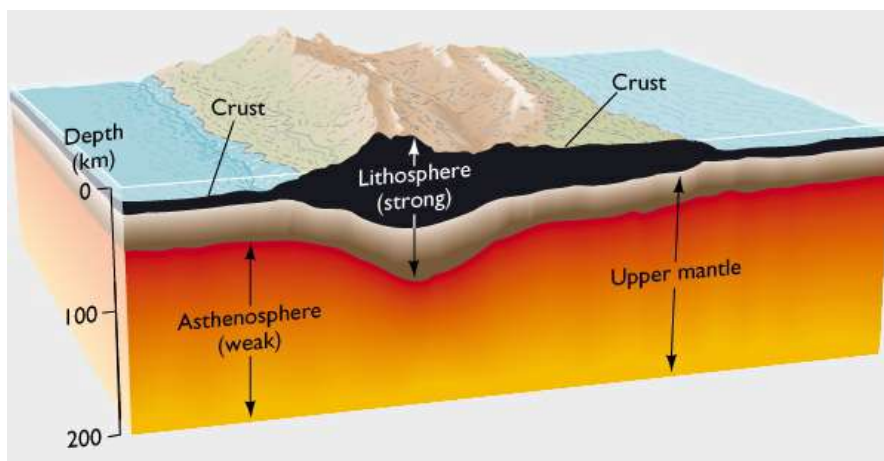
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Conclusões sobre P

- ▶ Basicamente a P é uma função da profundidade e da média da densidade da coluna de rochas
- ▶ Quanto maior a profundidade da rocha na crosta (ou no manto), durante o metamorfismo, maior será a P experimentada pela mesma
- ▶ As rochas, na maior parte dos ambientes tectonicamente ativos, são soterradas tectonicamente
- ▶ No entanto, a P do pico metamórfico (como será visto) não é a P máxima que a rocha alcançou

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Estrutura Termal da Litosfera



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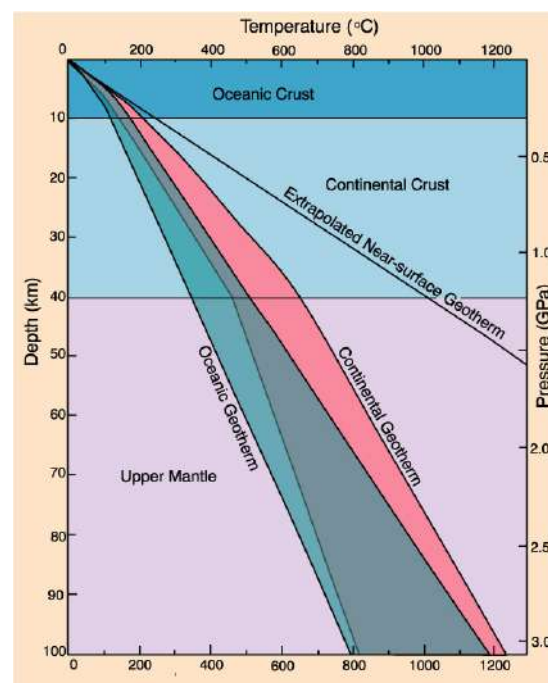
Estrutura Termal da Litosfera

- ▶ Definição termal da Litosfera
 - A litosfera pode ser definida de forma termal como a camada externa da Terra onde o calor é transportado primariamente por condução
- ▶ A litosfera perde calor pela superfície que é dissipado para o espaço por radiação
- ▶ Litosfera termalmente estabilizada tem espessura entre 100 e 200 km e apresenta perfil termal (geoterma) estável
- ▶ A base da litosfera intersecta a isoterma de ~ 1250 ou 1300 °C (acima dessas temperaturas o manto começa a fluir – **astenosfera**)
- ▶ Qual a temperatura na base da crosta continental?

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Geoterma

- ▶ Linha (ou superfície) que descreve a variação de T com a profundidade (ou P) na Terra
- ▶ De onde vem o calor?



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De onde vem o calor?

- ▶ Radioatividade (60 a 80%)
 - elementos produtores de calor estão concentrados na porção superior da crosta continental e suas concentrações diminuem exponencialmente com a profundidade
- ▶ Manto superior transmite calor para a crosta (20 a 40%)

Outros contribuidores

- ▶ Astenosfera (pode ter papel muito importante)
- ▶ Algumas reações retrometamórficas são exotérmicas
- ▶ Calor mecânico (falhas)

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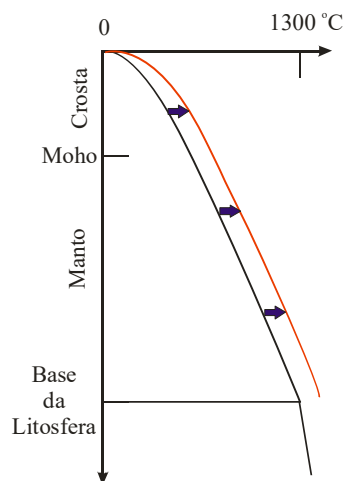
Tipos de Geoterma

- ▶ Geoterma estável (*steady state*) – é formada quando o equilíbrio termal na litosfera é longo (> 100 Ma)
- ▶ Geoterma transitória – ocorre em intervalo de tempo determinado (restrito)
- ▶ Geoterma perturbada – também é transitória, mas aqui diz respeito à configuração alcançada durante a orogênese

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Geoterma perturbada

- Quando a geoterma é perturbada ocorre metamorfismo em resposta a variação de T
- Para perturbar a geoterma é necessário, de alguma maneira, aumentar o fluxo de calor

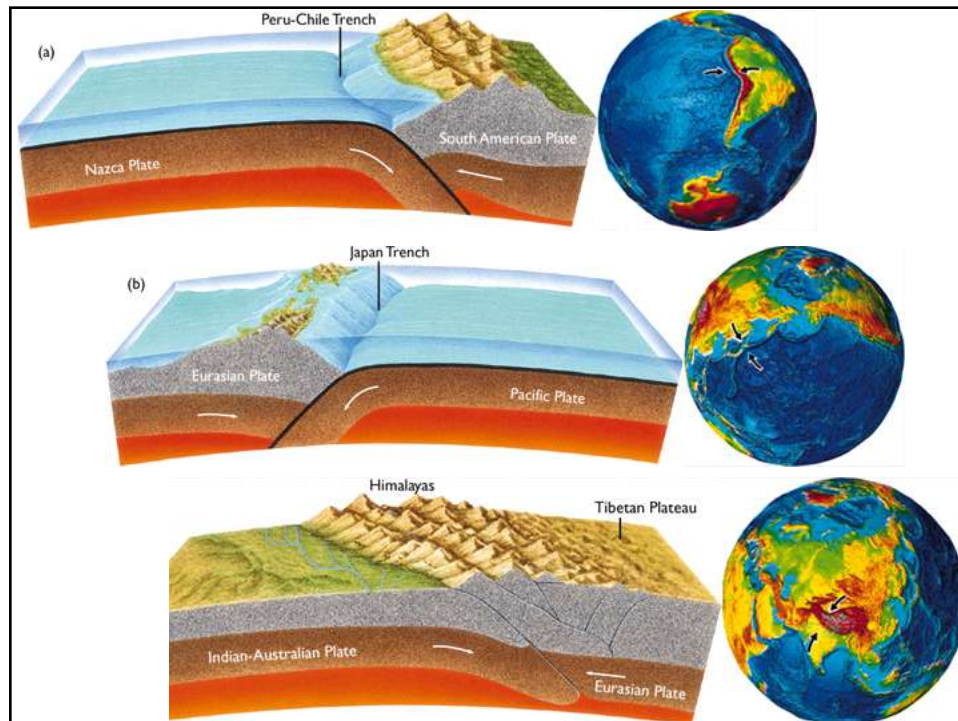


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Ambientes tectônicos e metamorfismo

- ▶ Zonas de subducção – baixa dT/dP
- ▶ Arcos de ilha – alta dT/dP
- ▶ Colisão continental – taxa dT/dP variável

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Arcos de ilha e zonas de subducção

- ◉ Arcos de ilha são formados atrás das zonas de subducção
- ◉ Alto fluxo de calor com regimes de pressão relativamente baixos – isothermas são comprimidas
- ◉ Comum série de fácies com And-Sil
- ◉ Metamorfismo tipo Rioke, Abukuma
 - xisto verde
 - anfibolito (rochas com pouca ou sem Grt e abundante Crd + Sil)
 - granulito (fusão em baixa P)

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Evolution of Metamorphic Belts

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ABSTRACT

The metamorphic facies series in regional metamorphism may be classified into the following categories according to an order of increasing rock pressure: (1) andalusite-sillimanite type, (2) low-pressure intermediate group, (3) kyanite-sillimanite type, (4) high-pressure intermediate group, and (5) jadeite-glaucophane type.

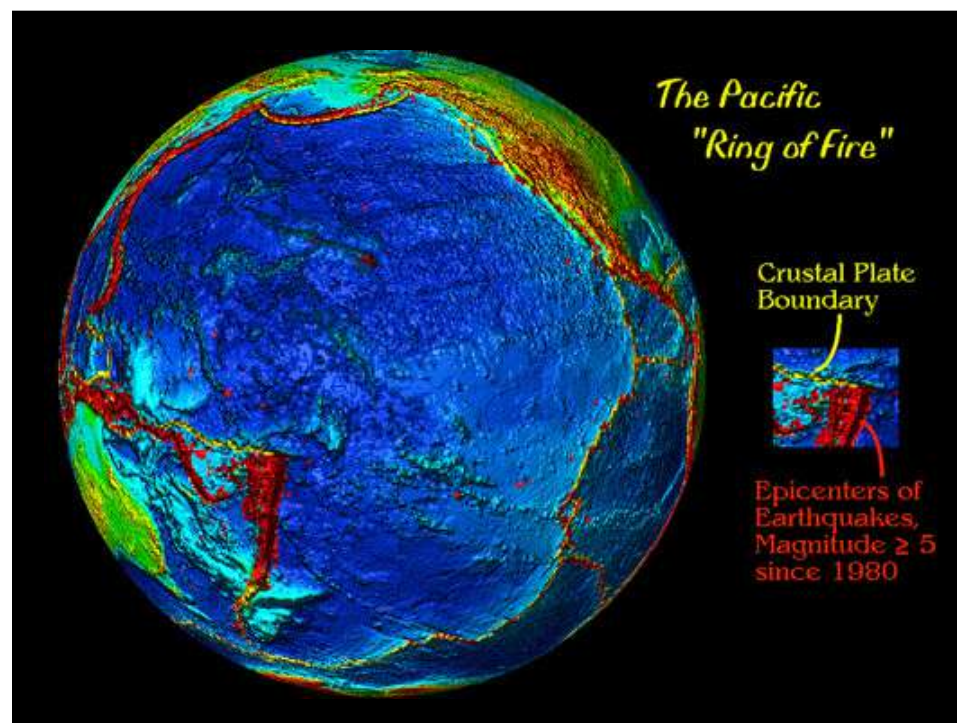
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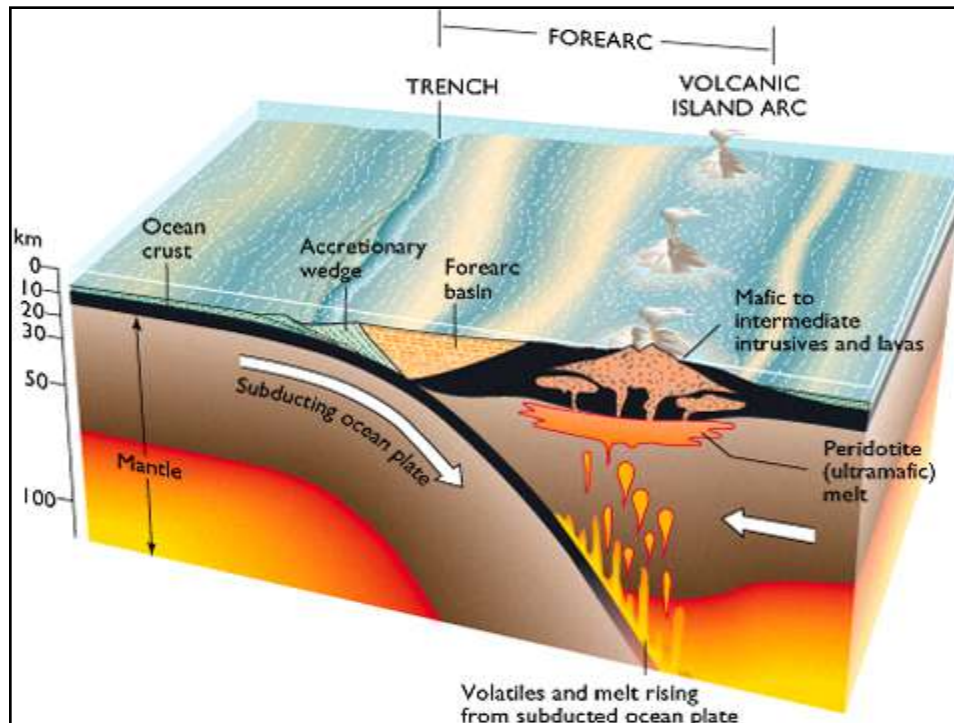
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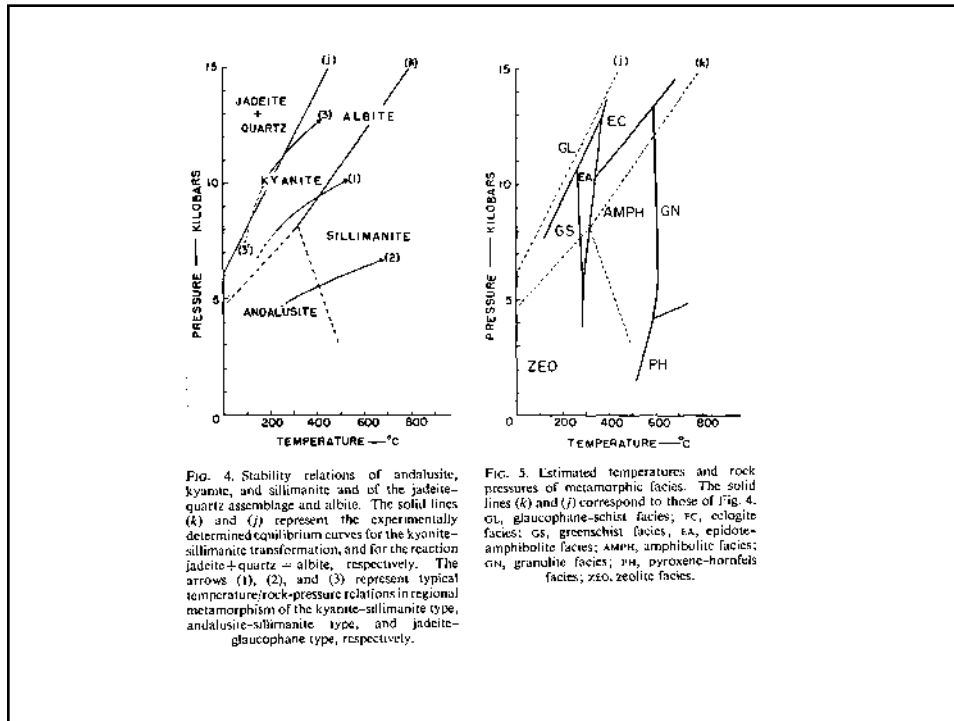


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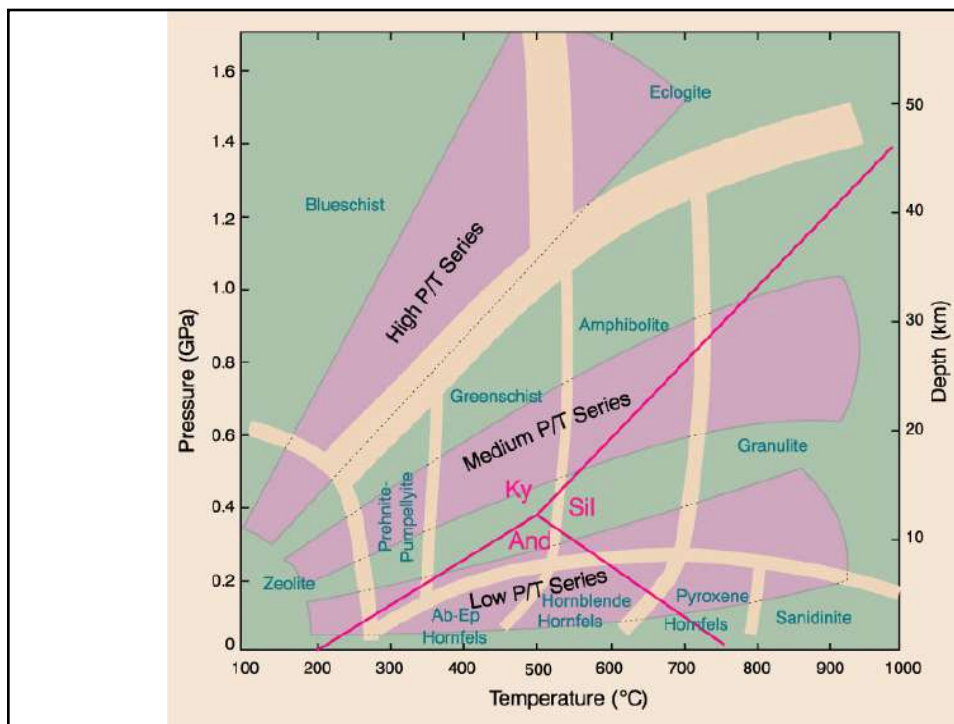
Séries de Fácies Metamórficas

- ▶ Miyashiro (1961) reconheceu duas séries de fácies metamórficas que eram diferentes das propostas por Barrow
 - zeólita / prehnita-pumpellyita / xisto azul / eclogito
 - xisto verde / anfíbolito com And – Sil
- ▶ Cinturões metamórficos emparelhados
- ▶ Identificou 3 séries de fácies
 - razão P/T alta – glaucofano – jadeíta
 - razão P/T intermediária – Ky – Sil (barroviano)
 - razão P/T baixa – And – Sil

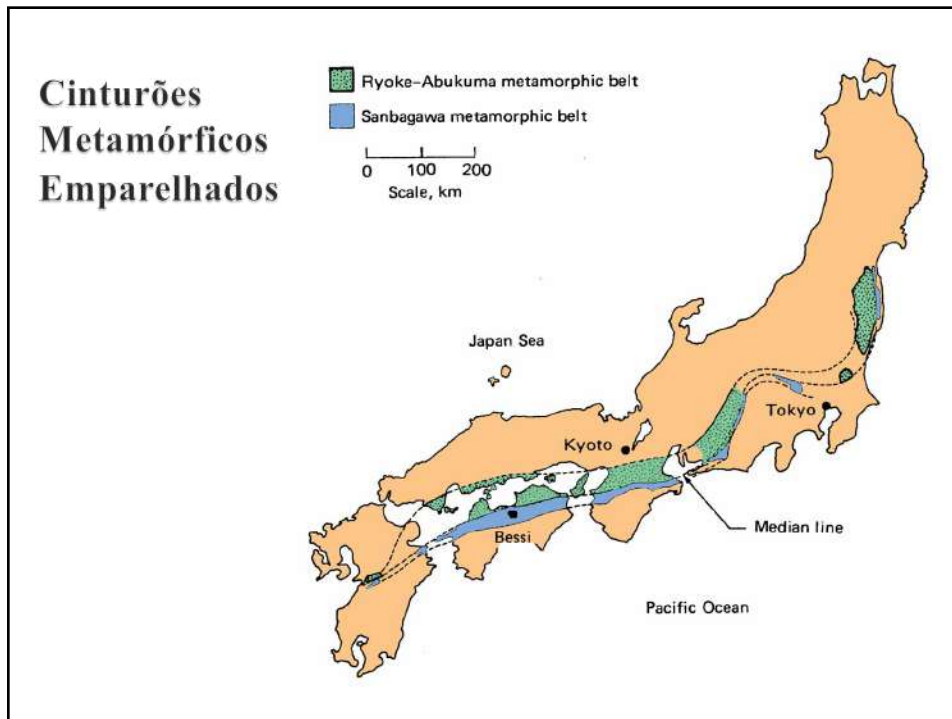
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Séries de Fácies e Ambientes Tectônicos

- ▶ Ambientes colisionais – arcos de ilha e zonas de colisão continental
- ▶ Arcos de Ilha - repressão das isotermas em virtude da placa frio descendente e alçamento das mesmas na zona de arco magmático
- ▶ Cinturões Metamórficos Emparelhados
 - razão P/T alta – glaucofana-jadeita (zona de subducção)
 - razão P/T baixa – And-Sil (arcos de ilha)

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Xisto azul e eclogito

- ◉ Rochas típicas de subducção
- ◉ As subfáceis dependem da velocidade de subducção e da idade da placa subductada
 - placa antiga – fria – subducção fria ou rápida
 - paragêneses “frias”
 - placa nova – quente – subducção quente ou lenta
 - paragêneses “quentes”

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Subduction factory 1. Theoretical mineralogy, densities, seismic wave speeds, and H₂O contents

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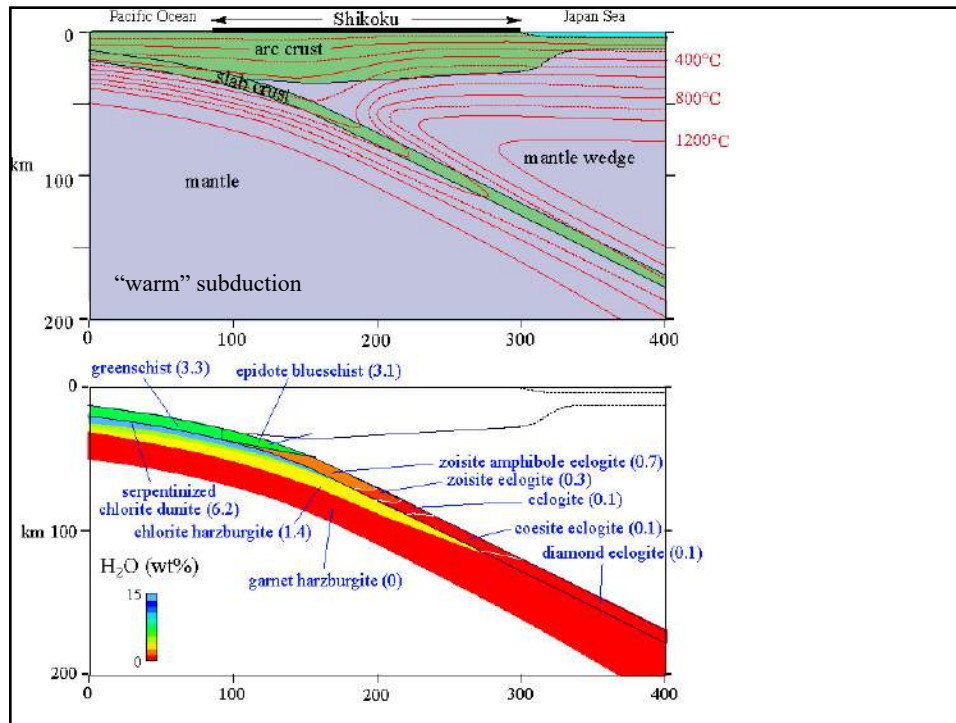
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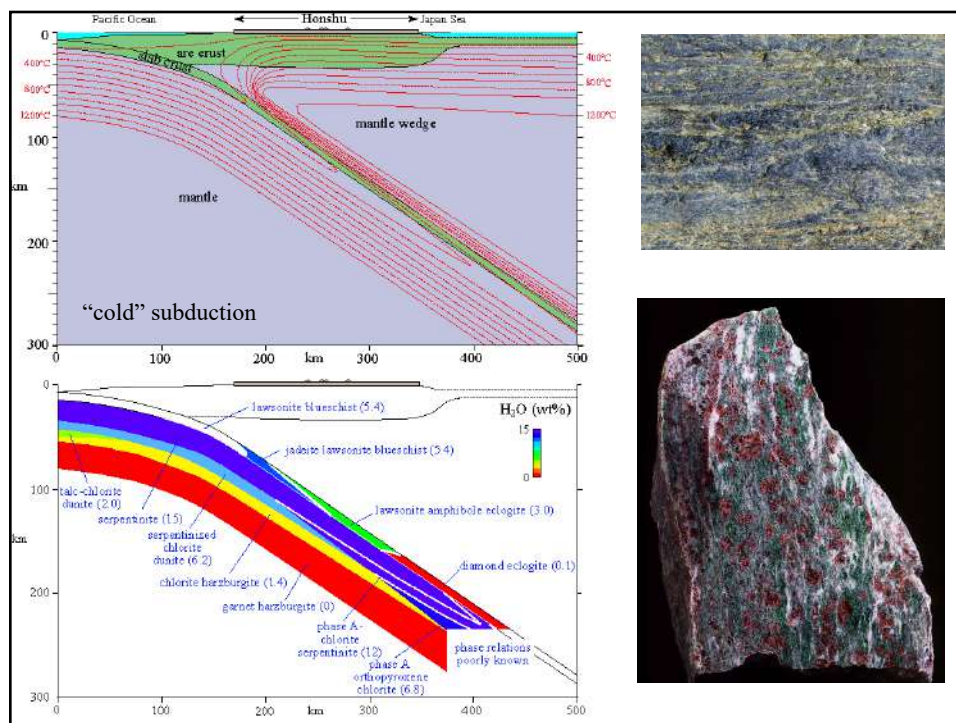
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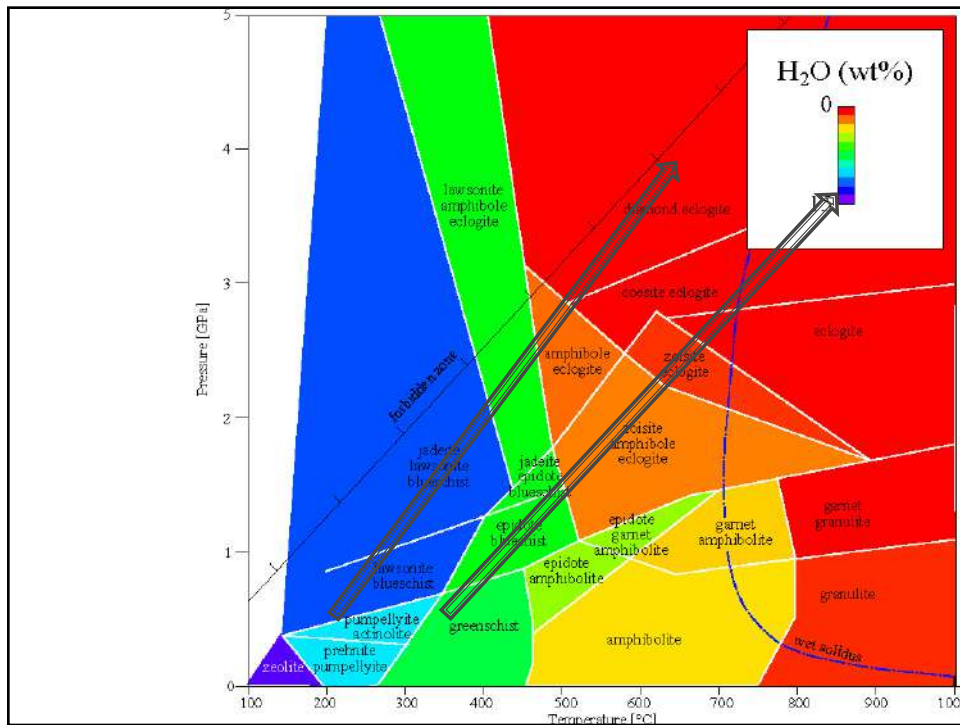
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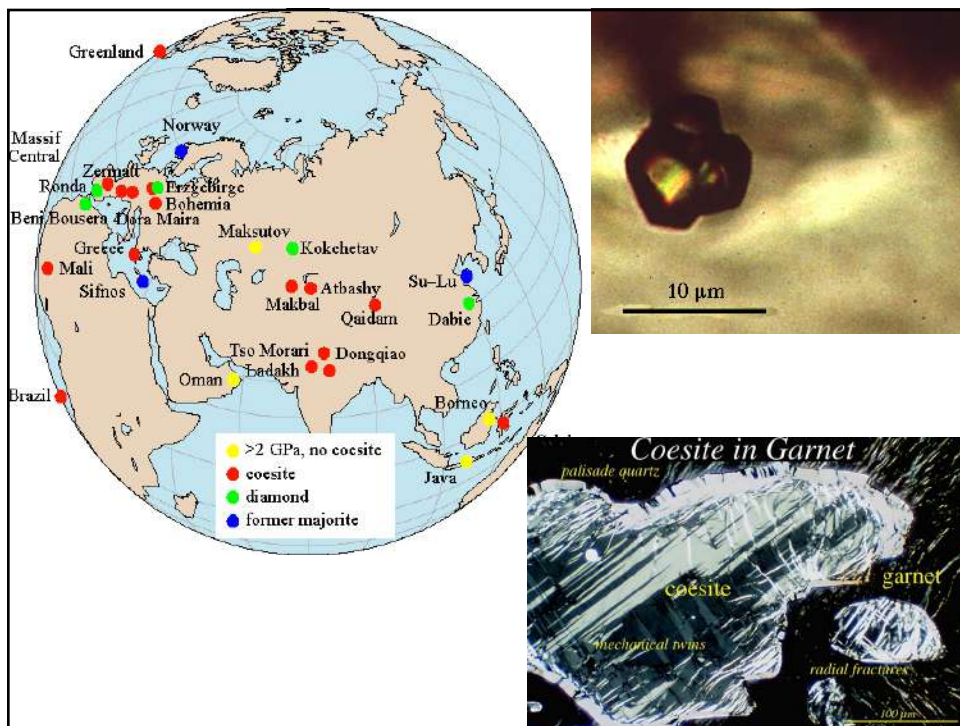
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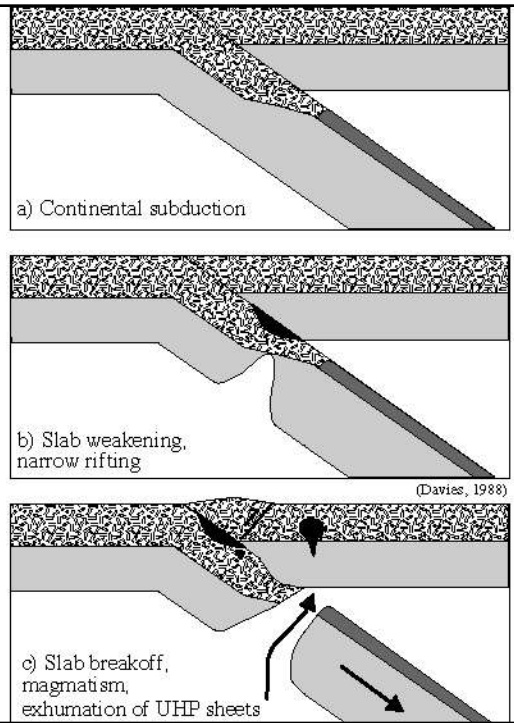
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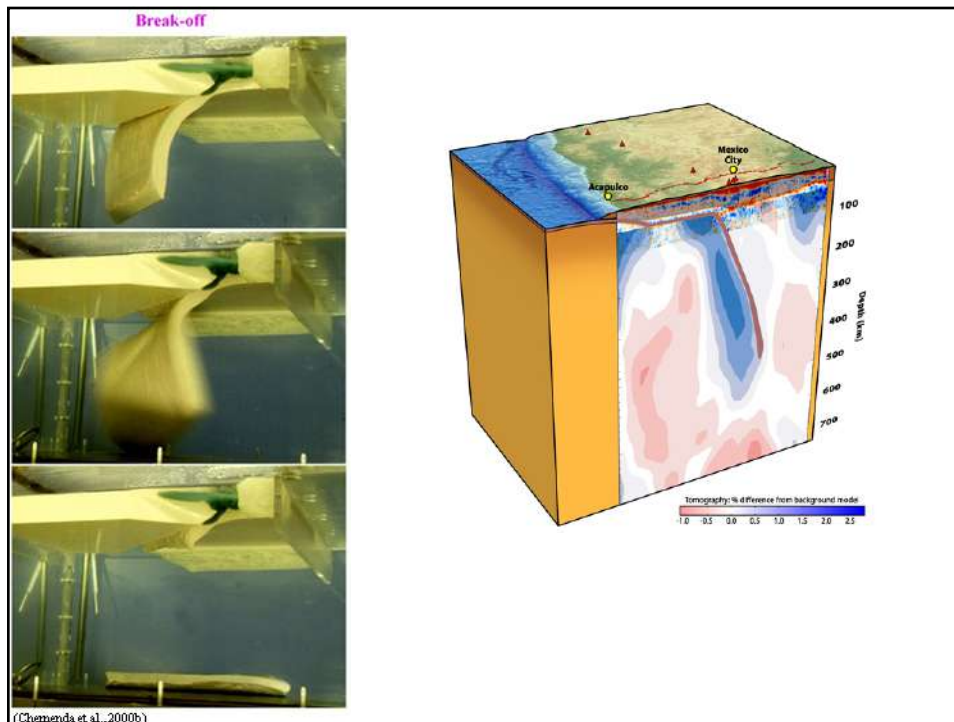
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Slab break-off

- ▶ Evolução e conseqüências semelhantes às que ocorrem com delaminação do manto litosférico



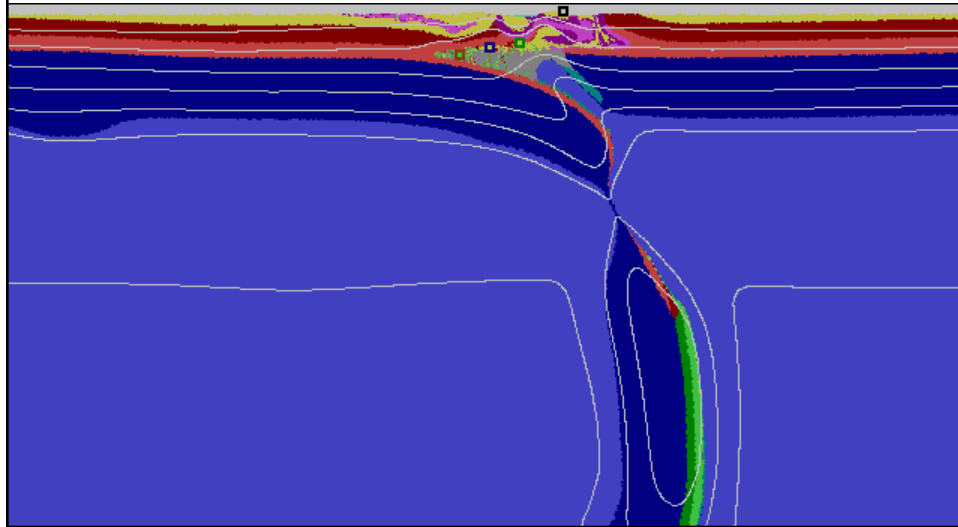
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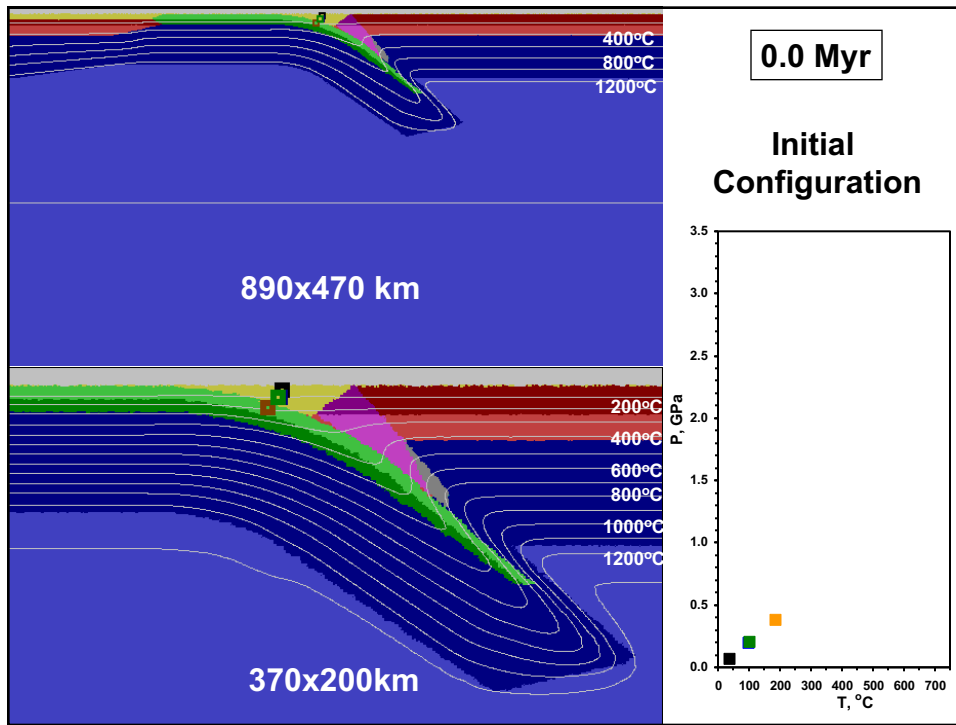
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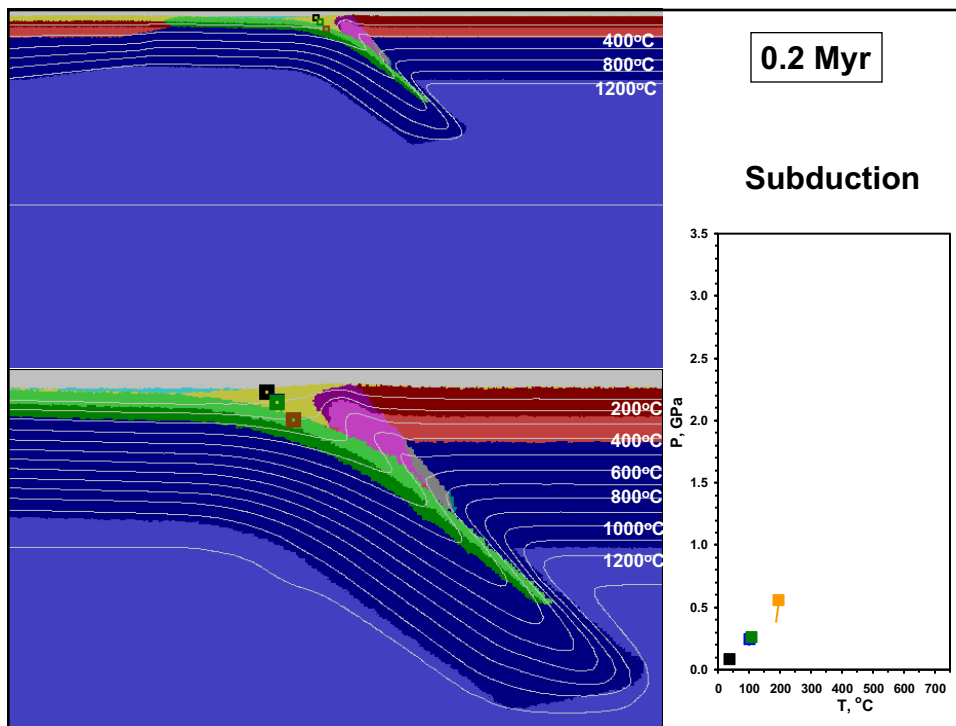
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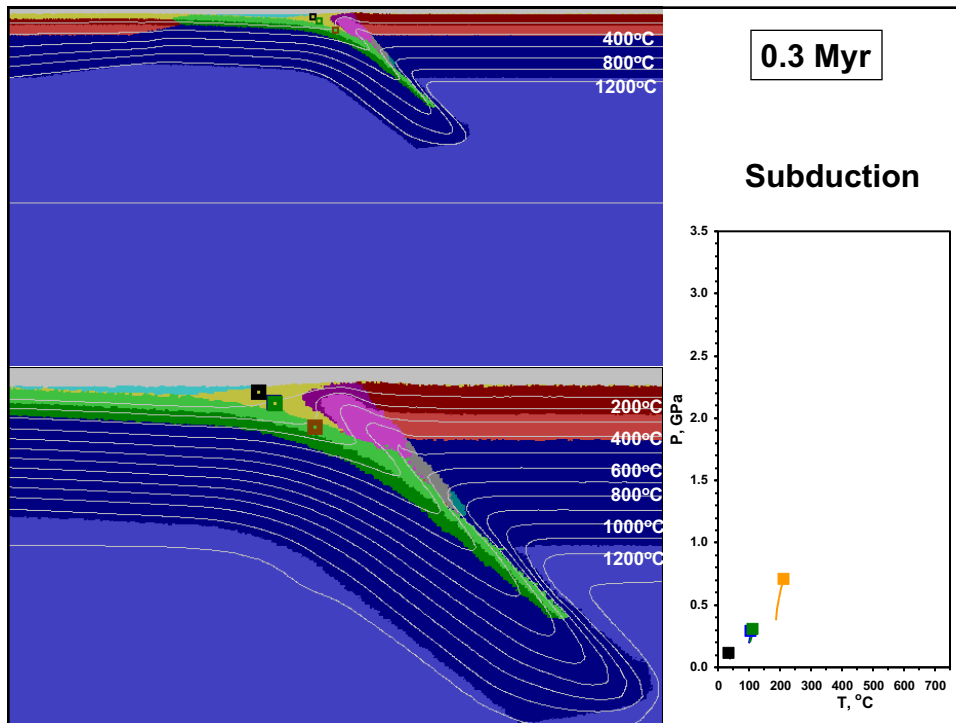
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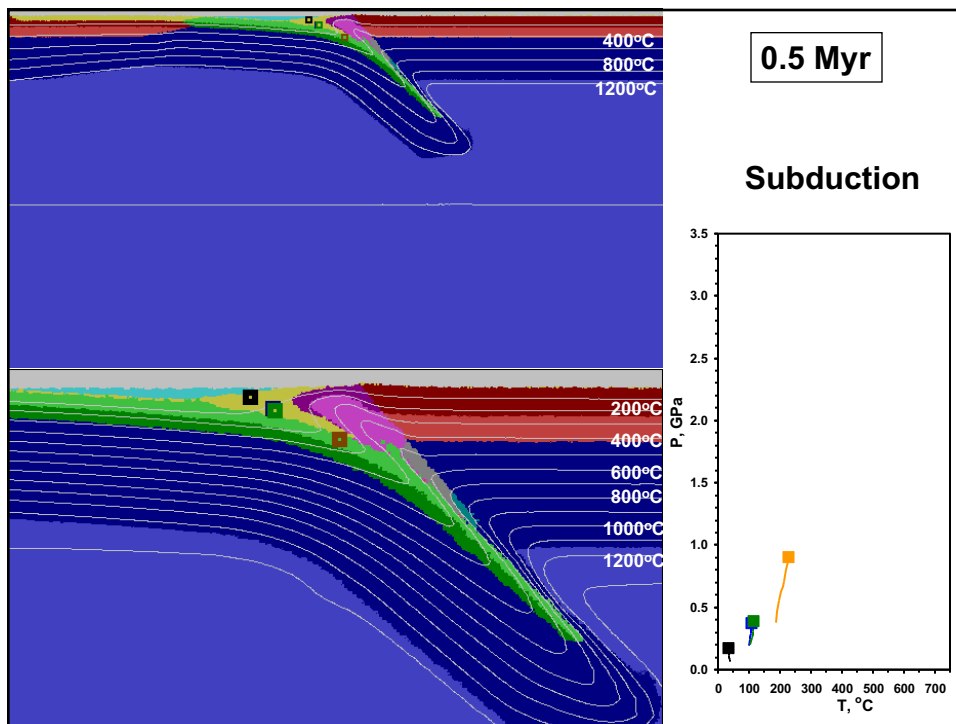
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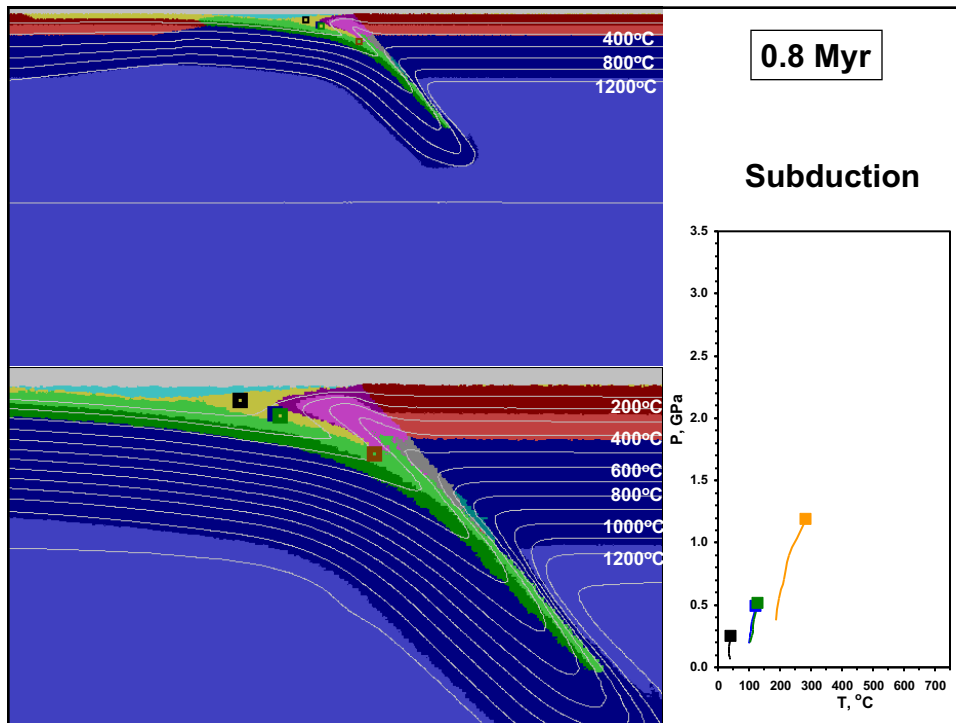
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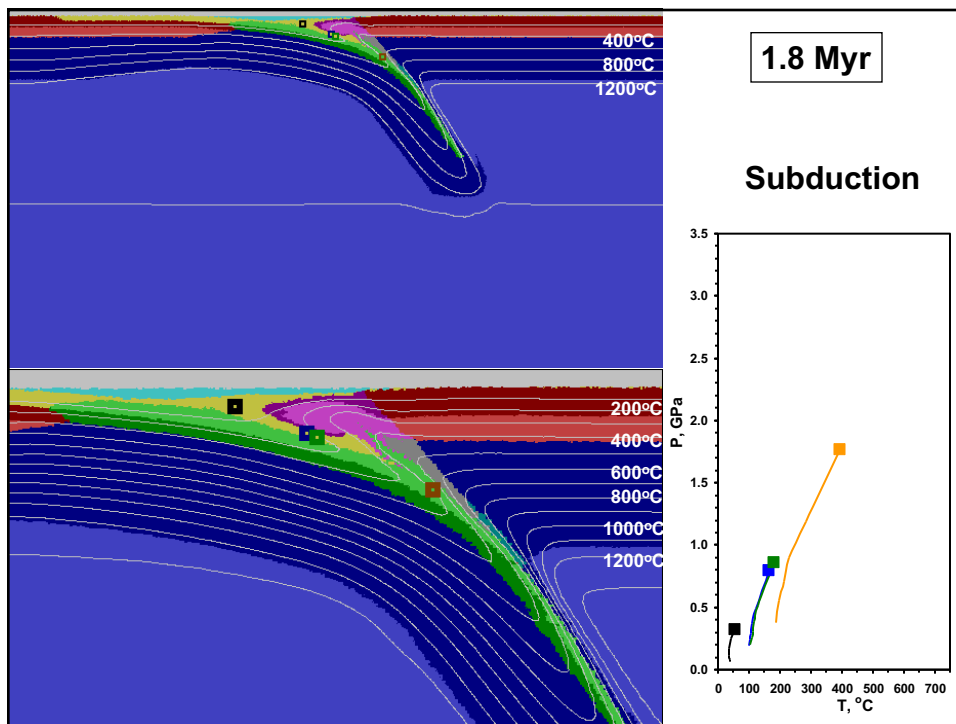
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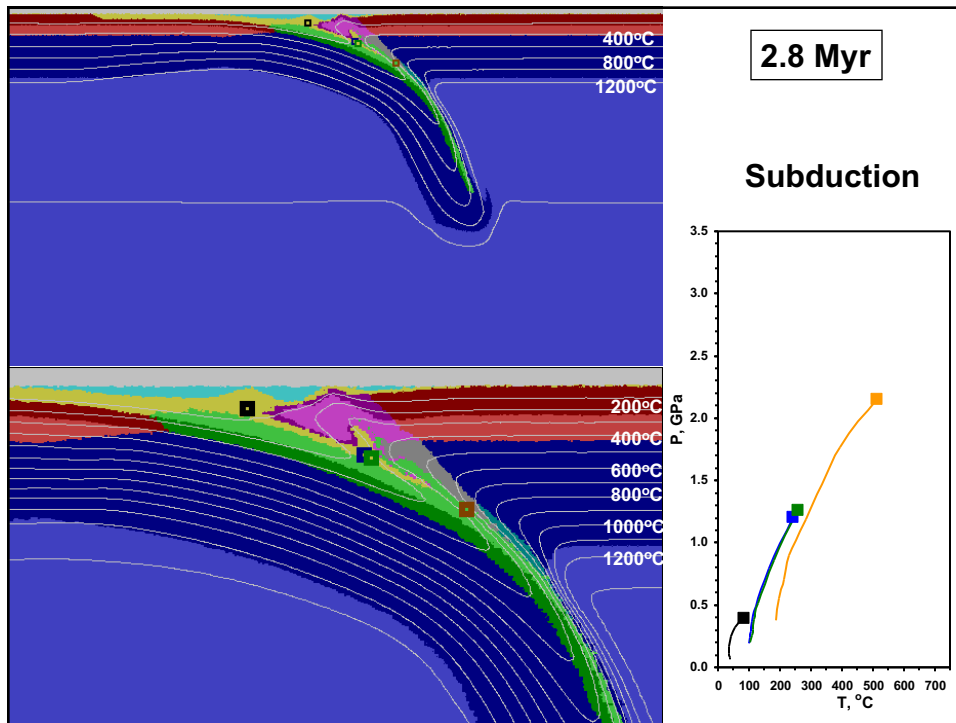
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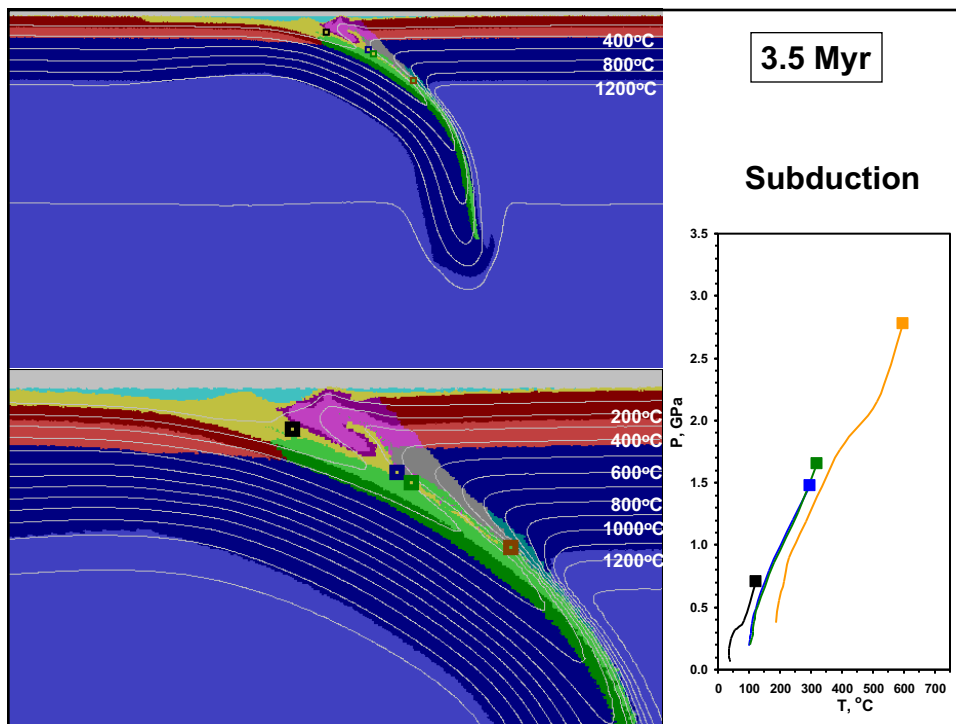
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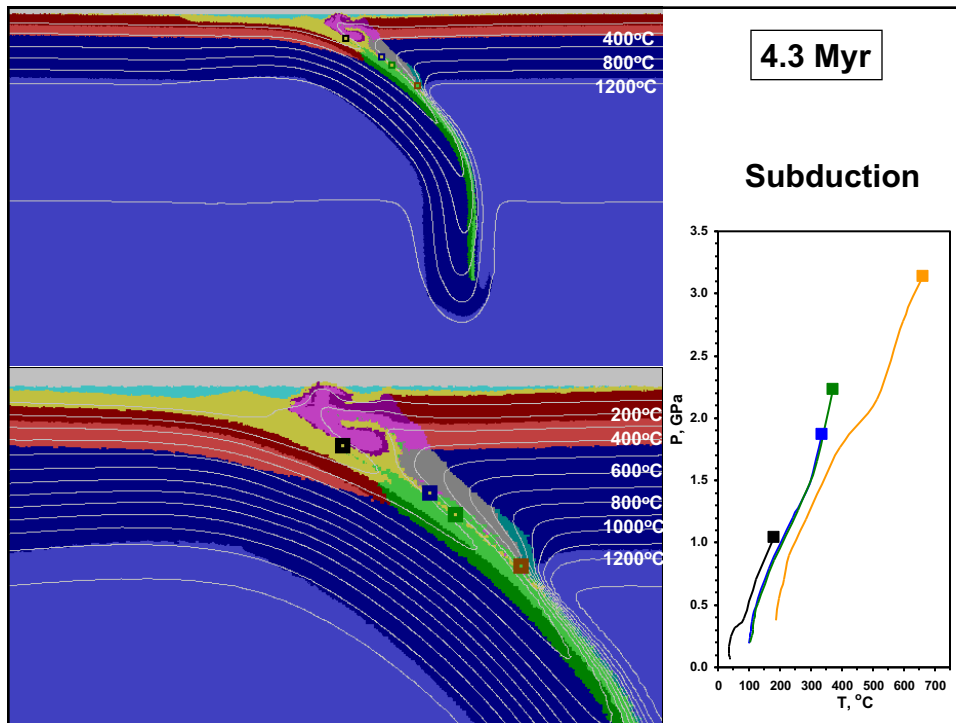
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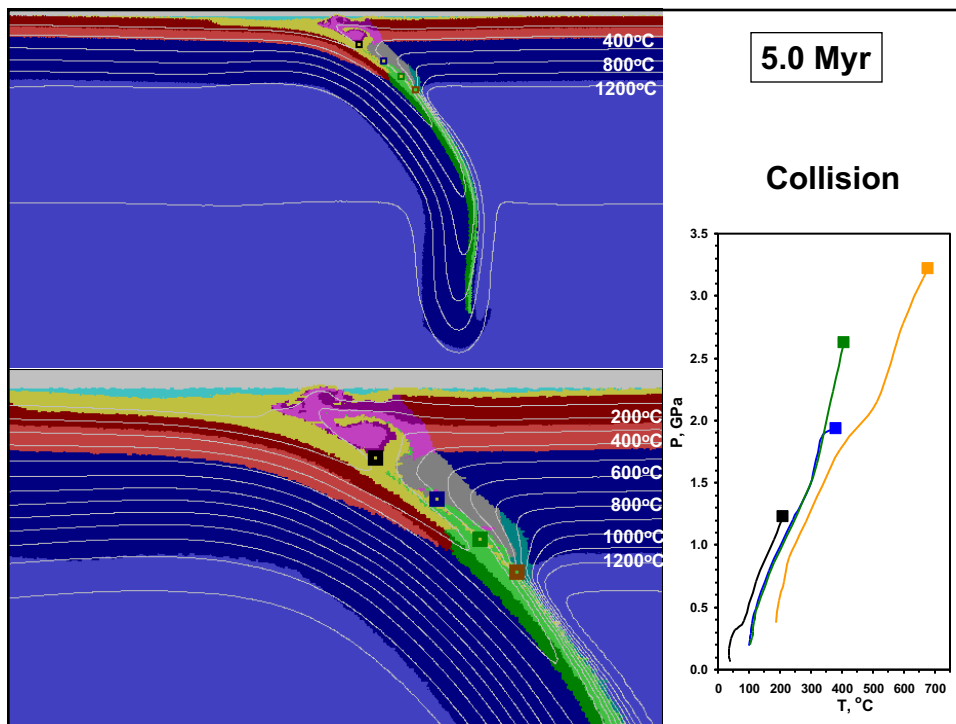
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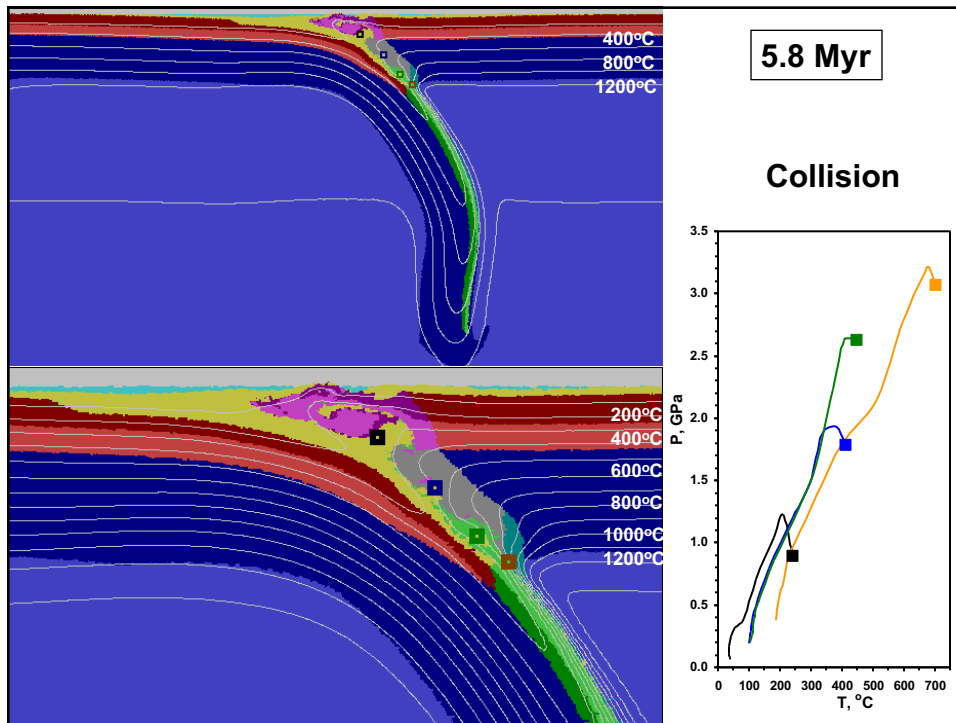
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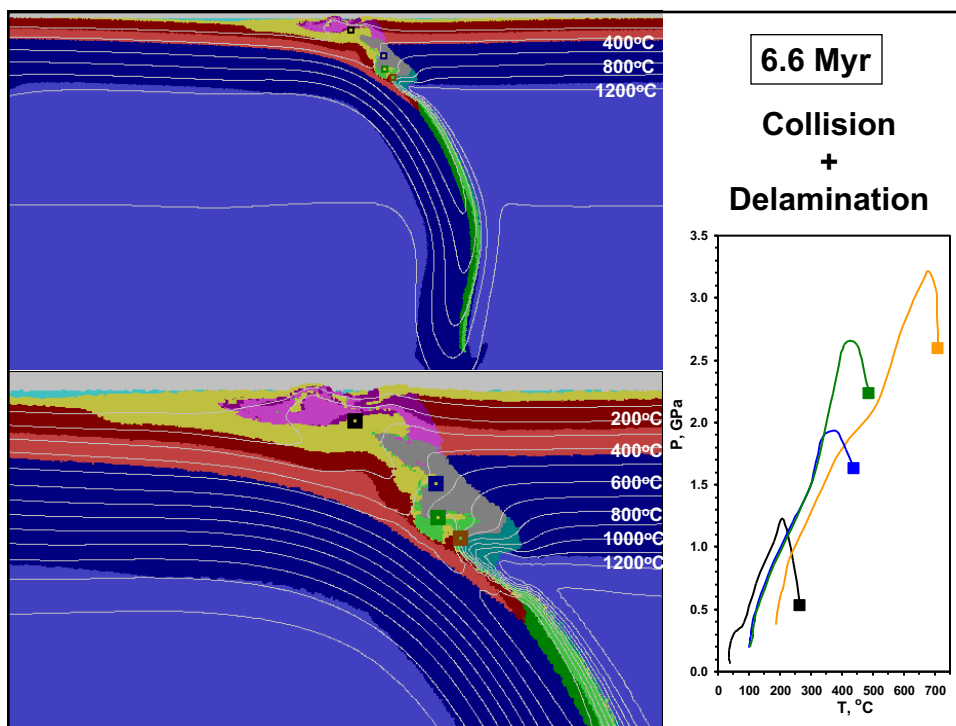
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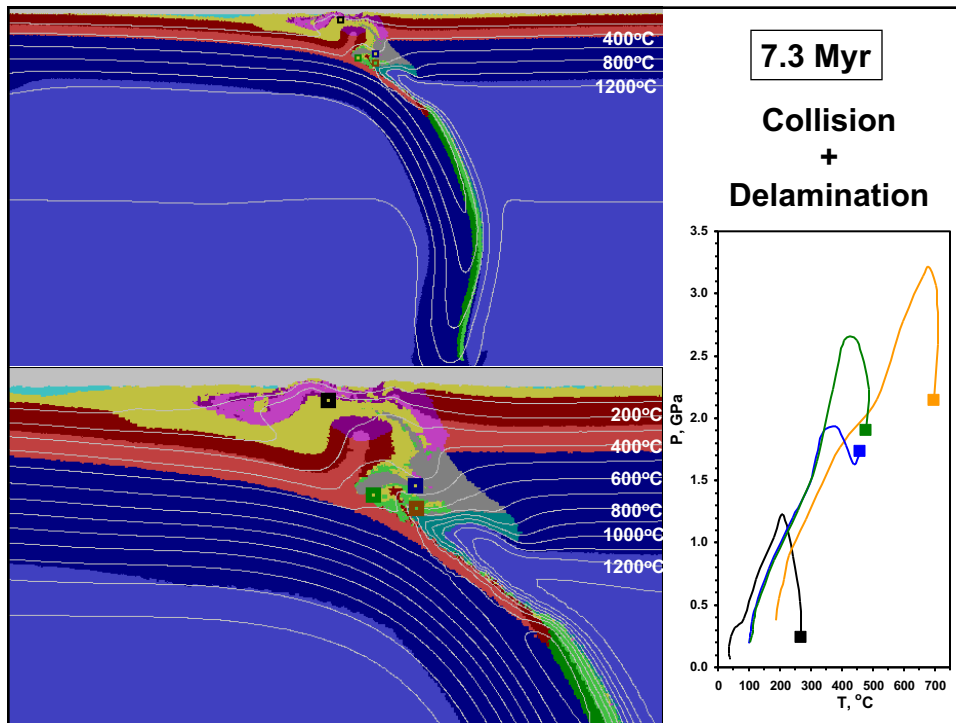
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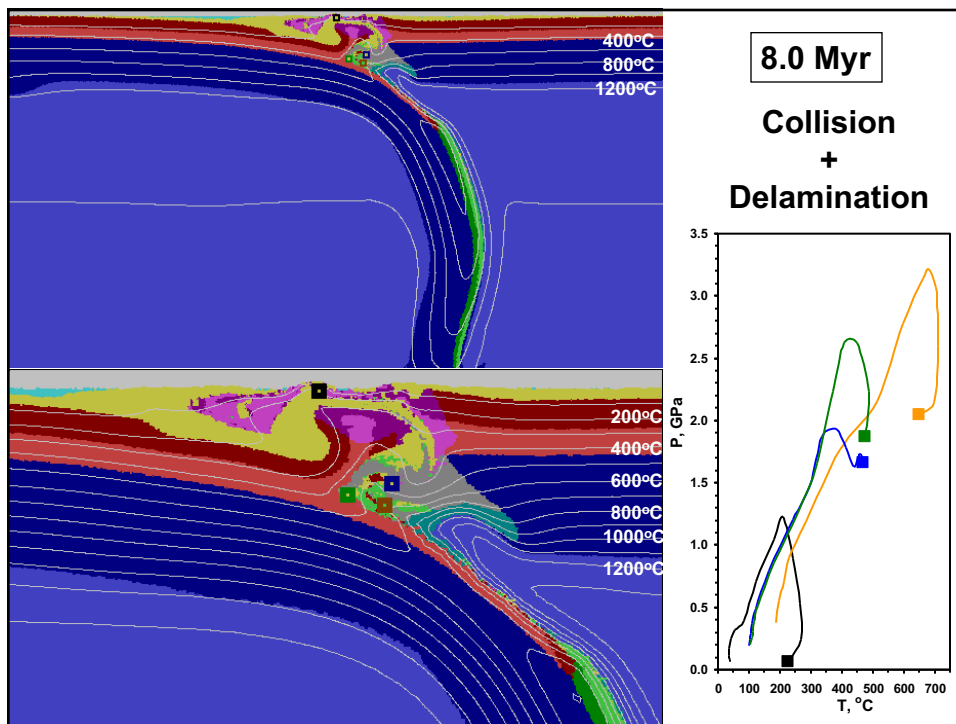
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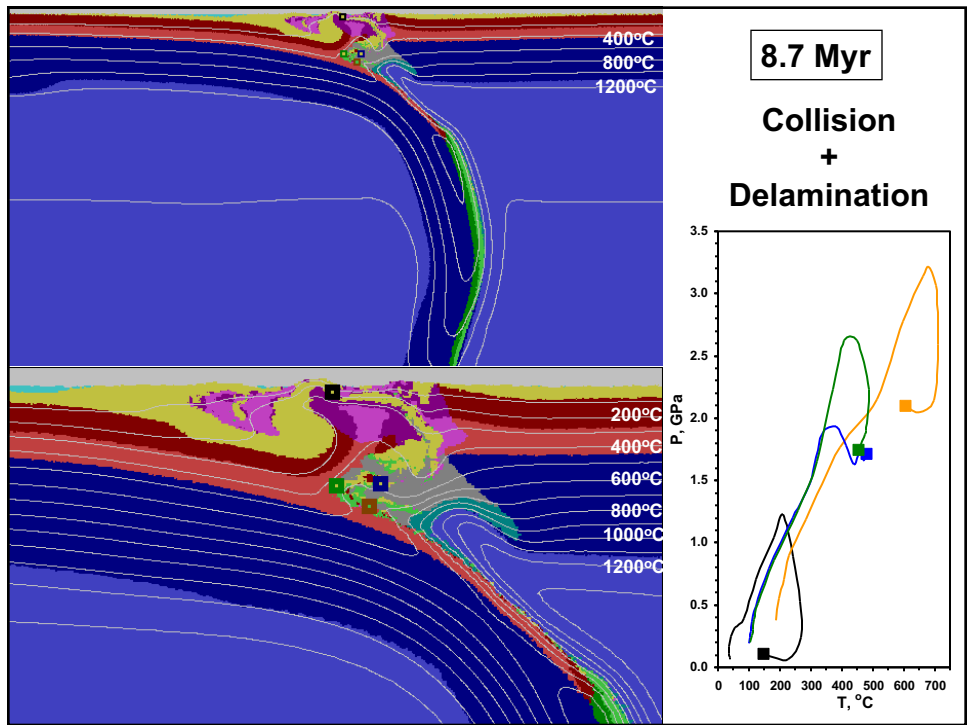
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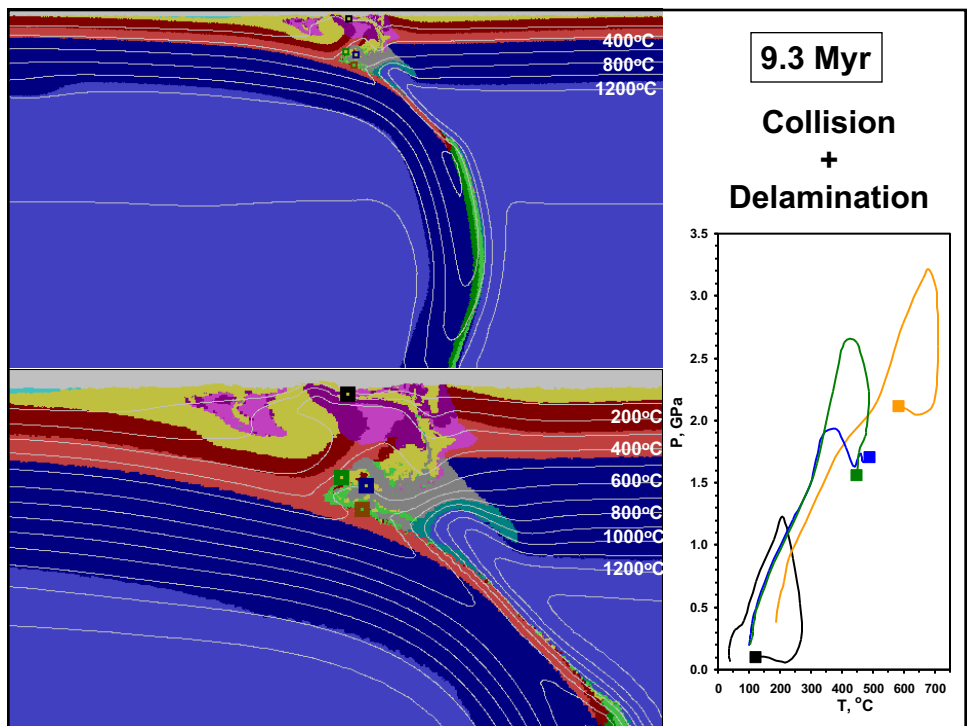
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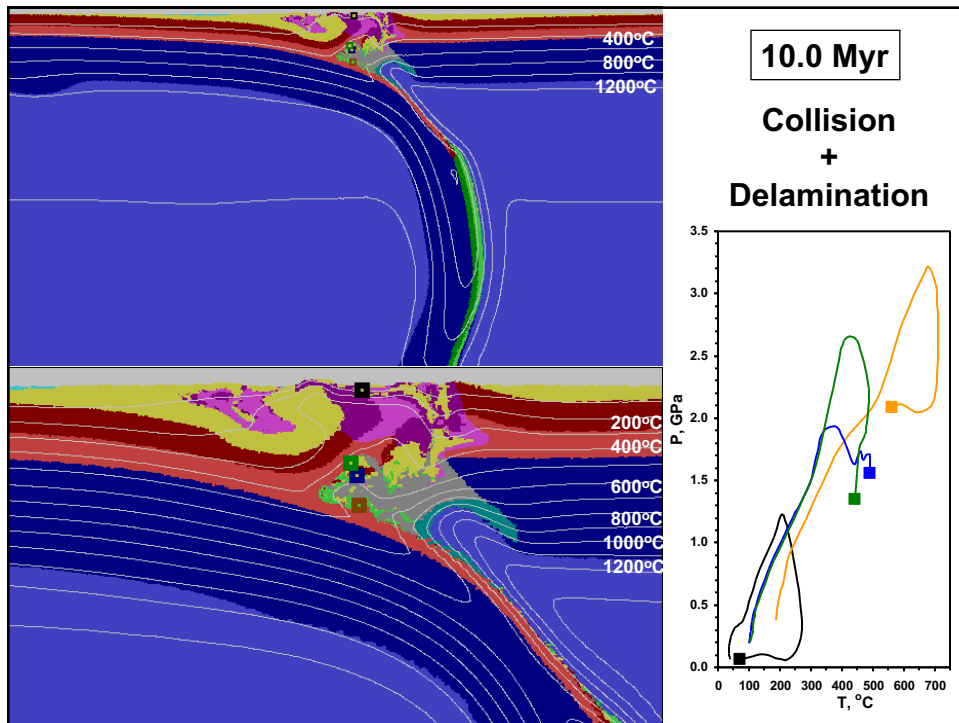
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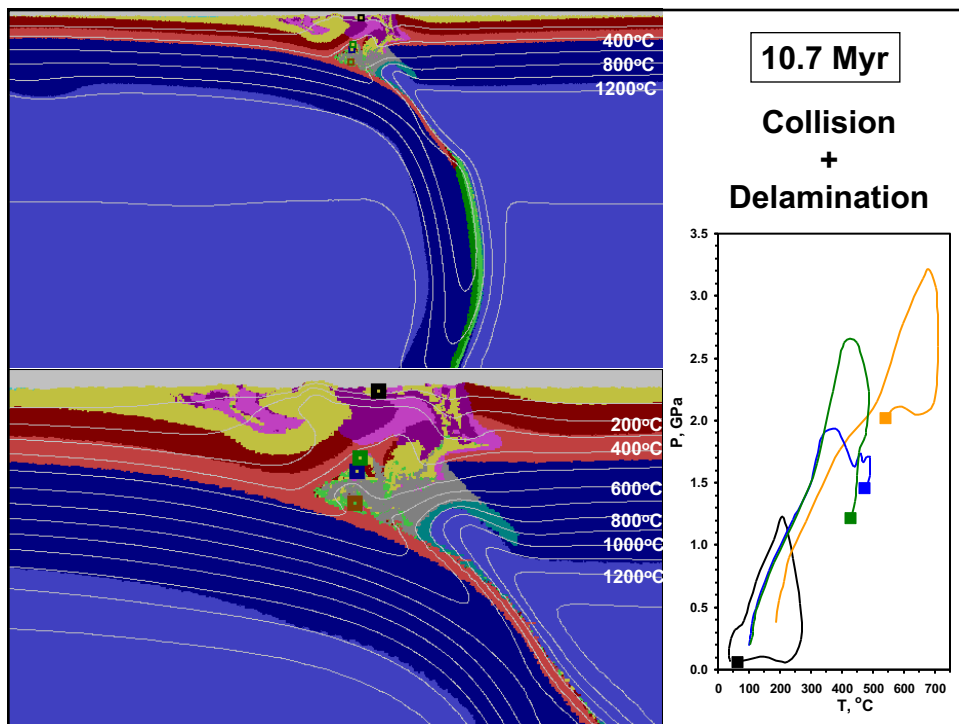
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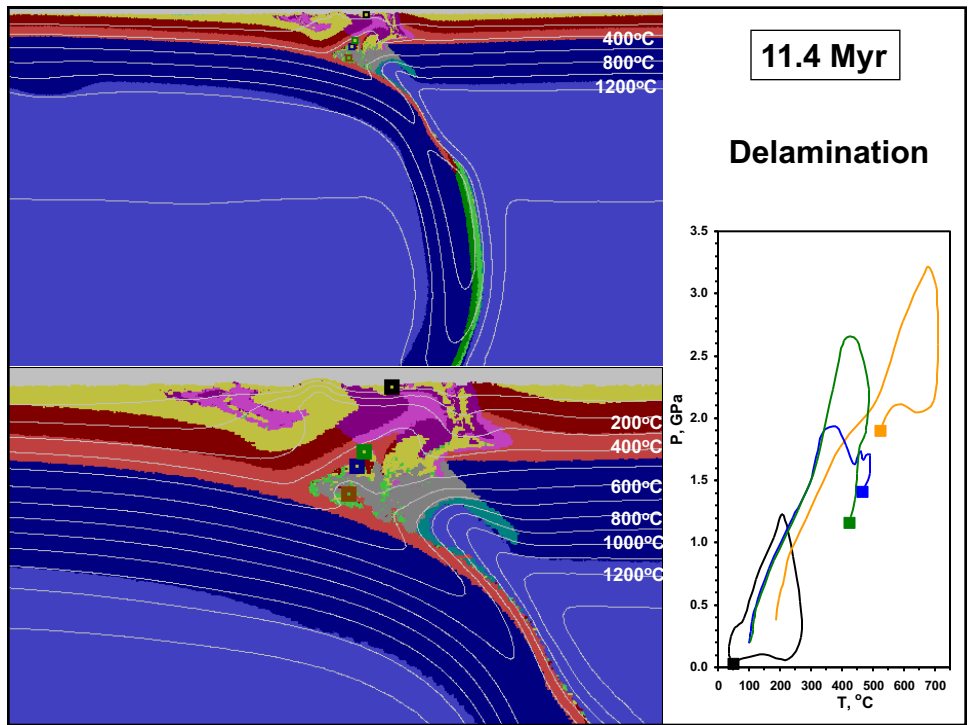
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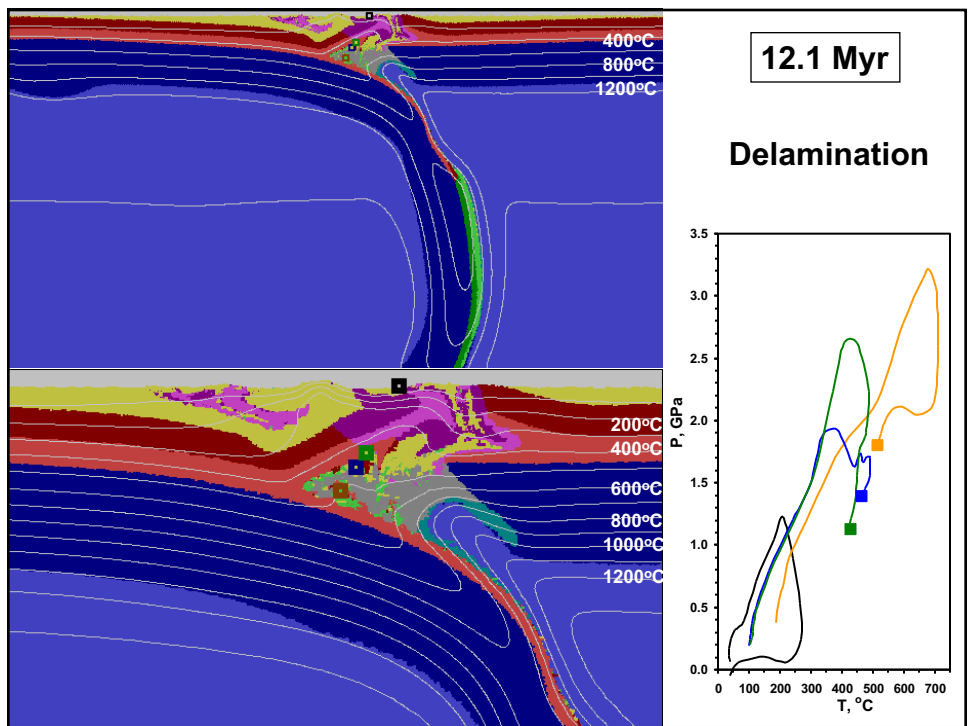
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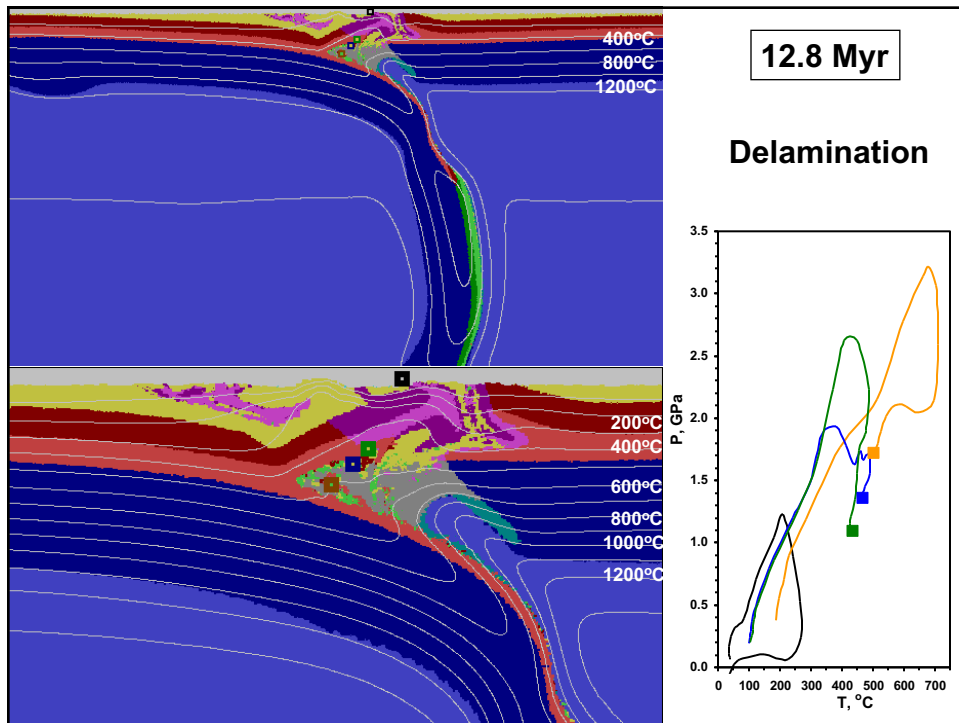
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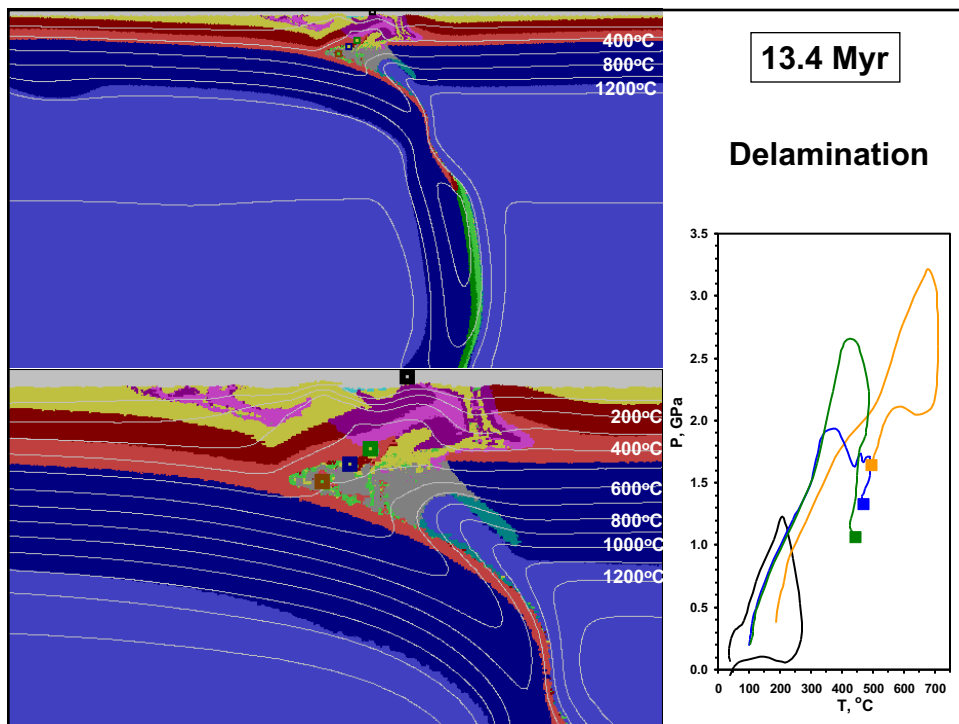
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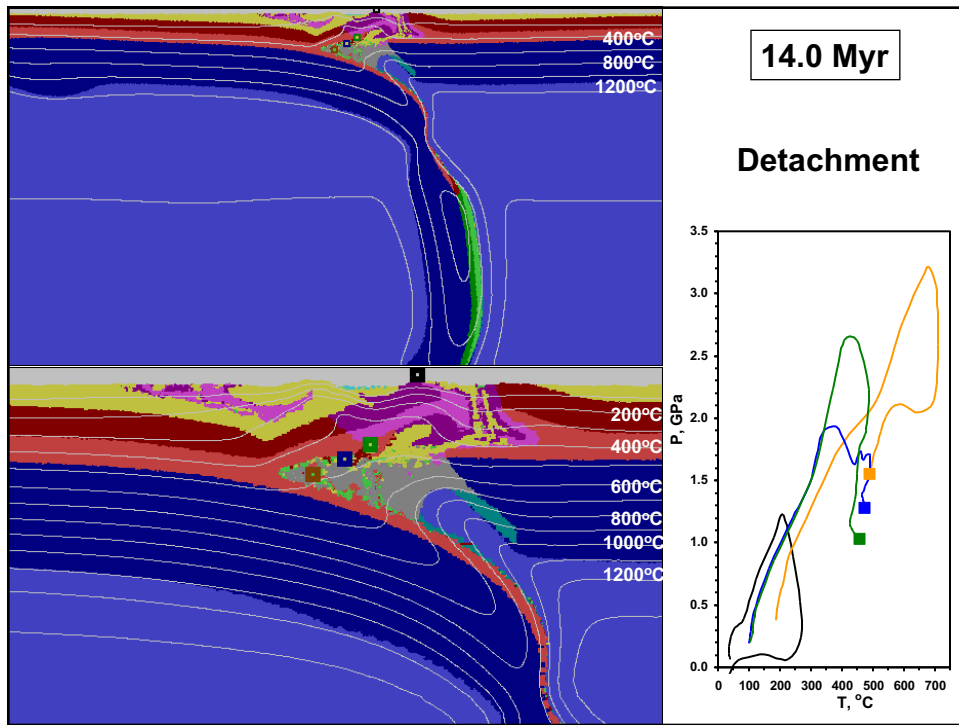
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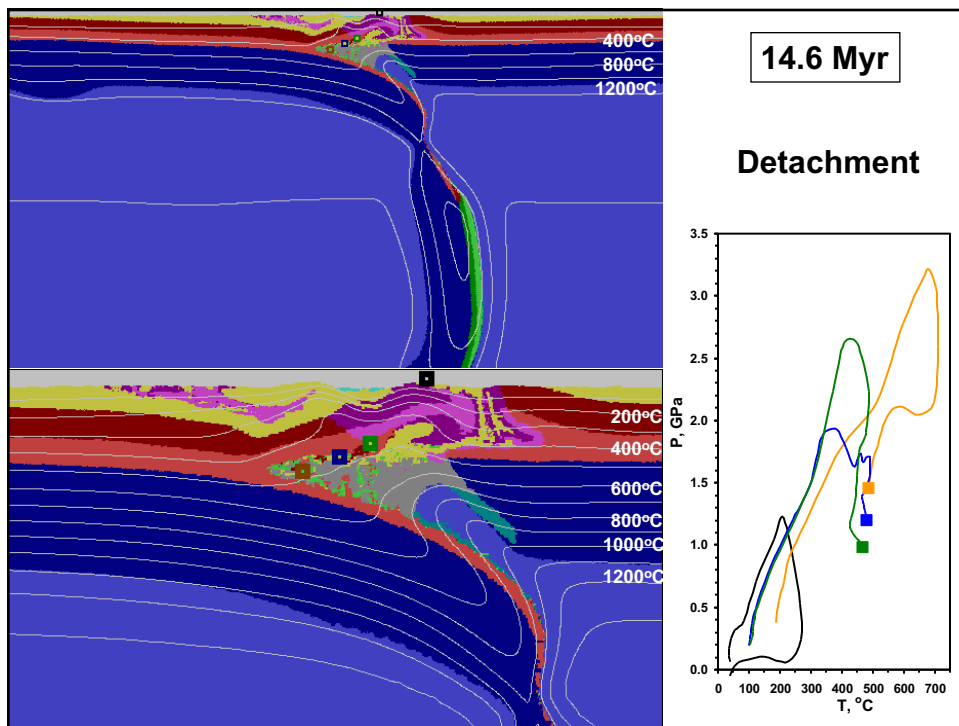
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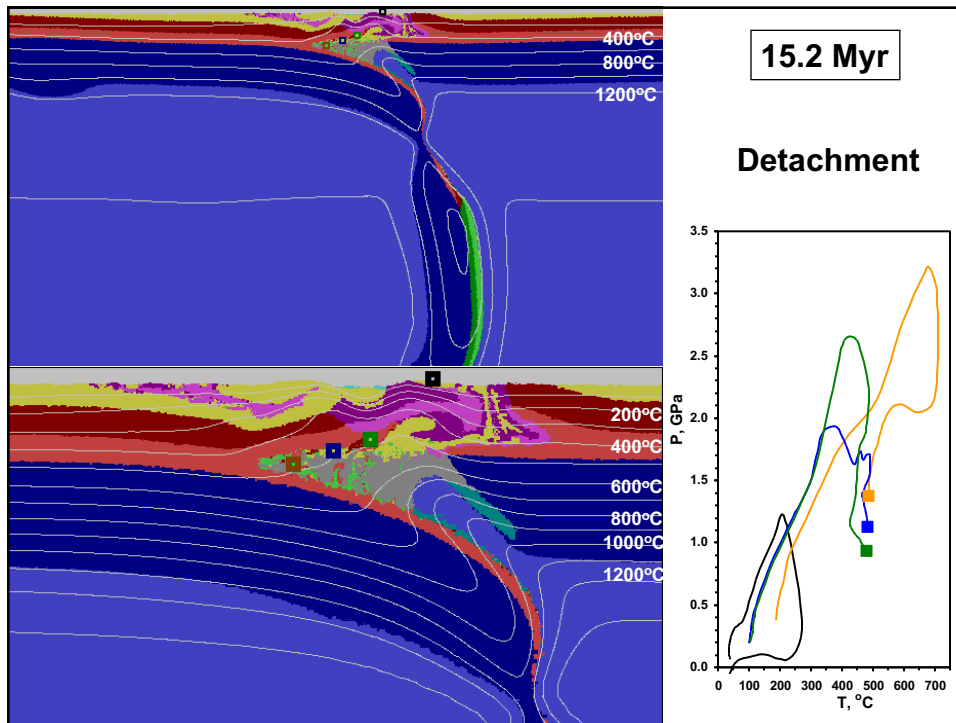
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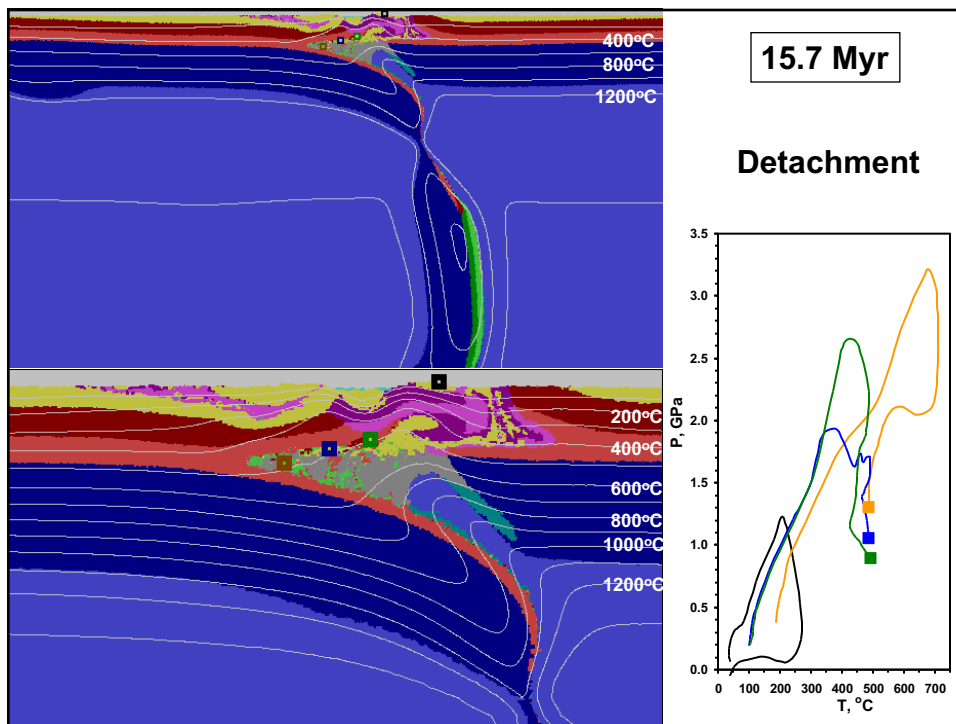
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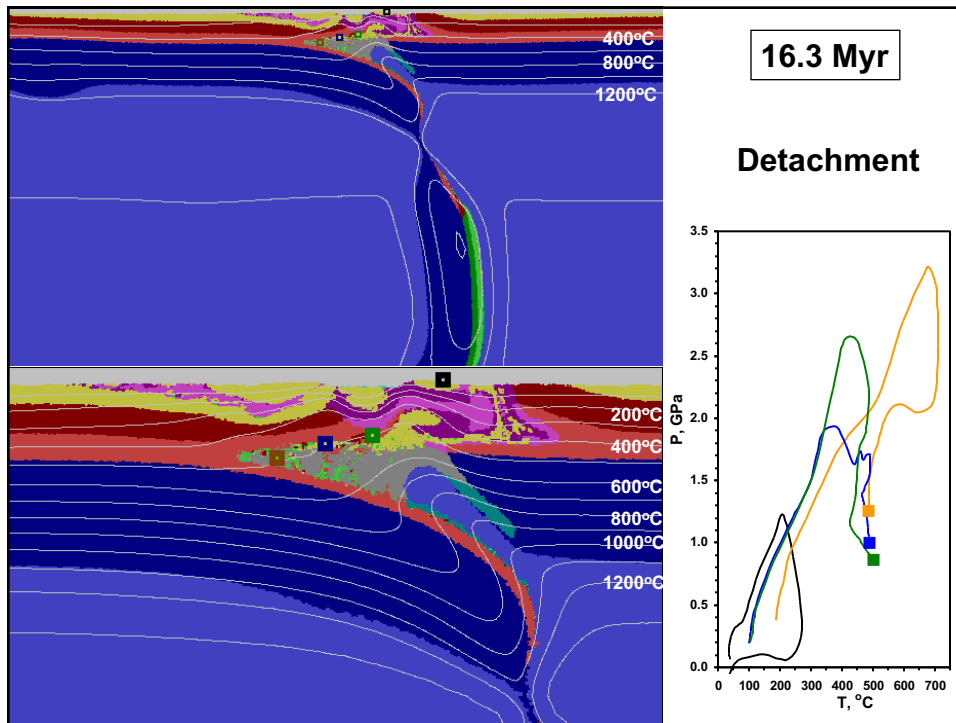
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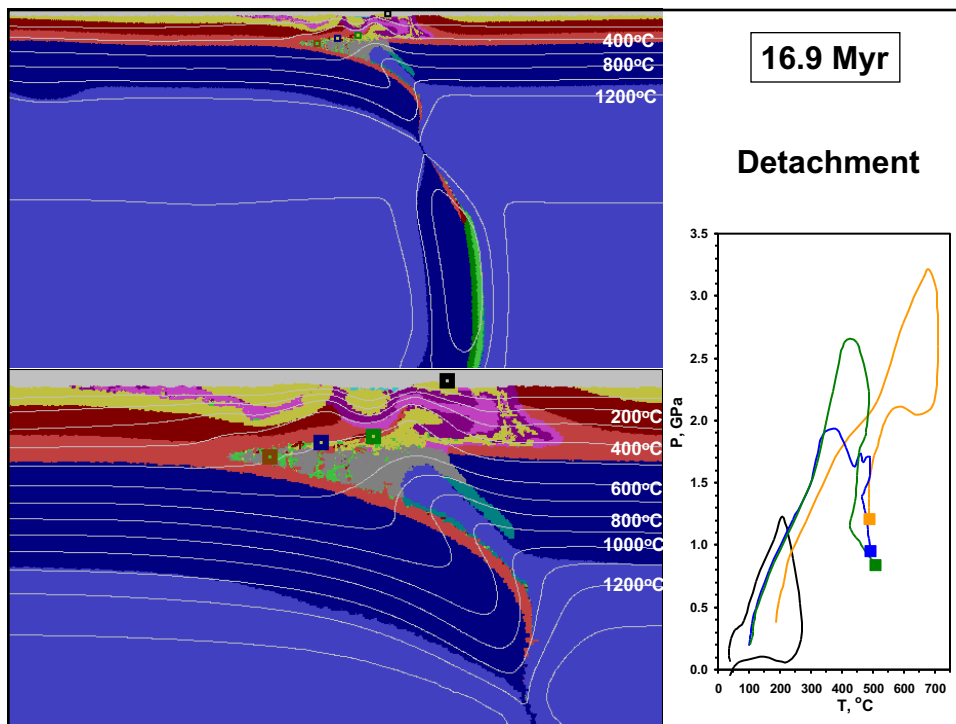
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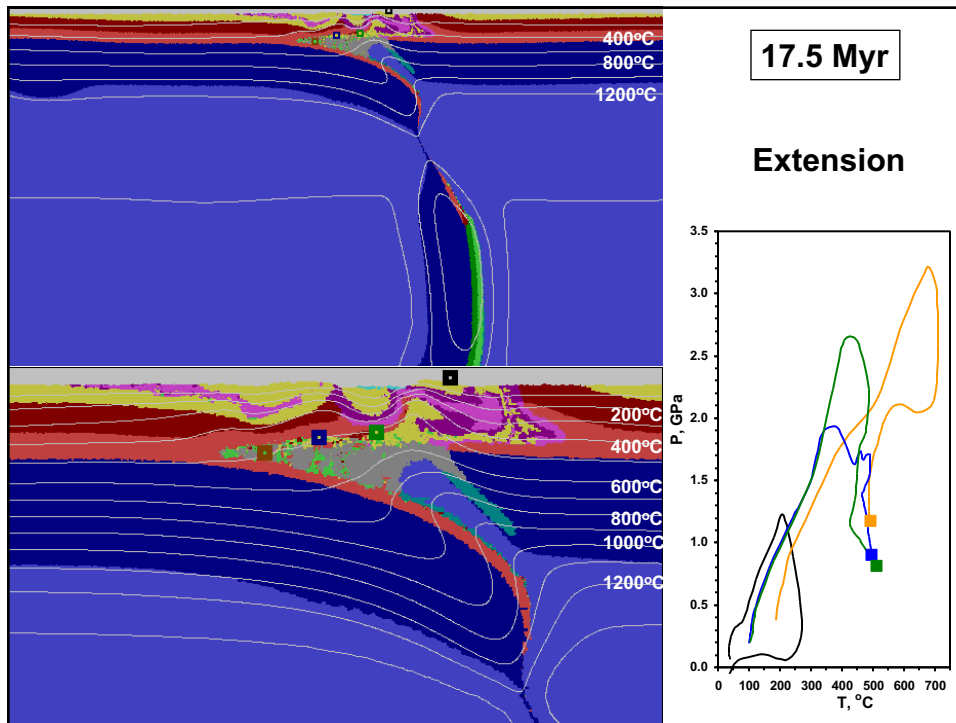
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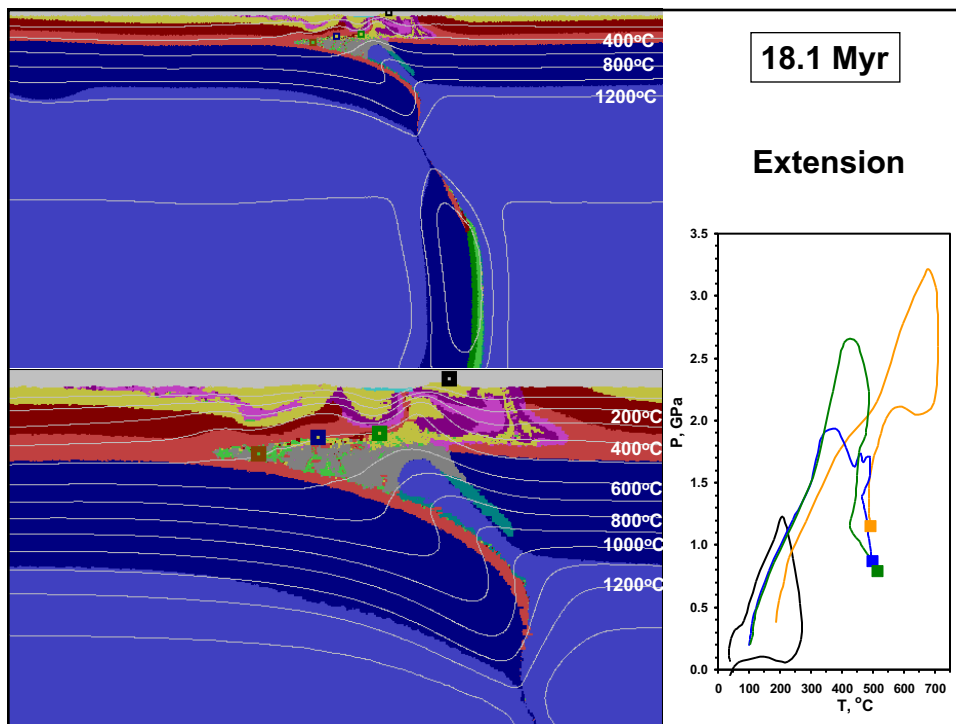
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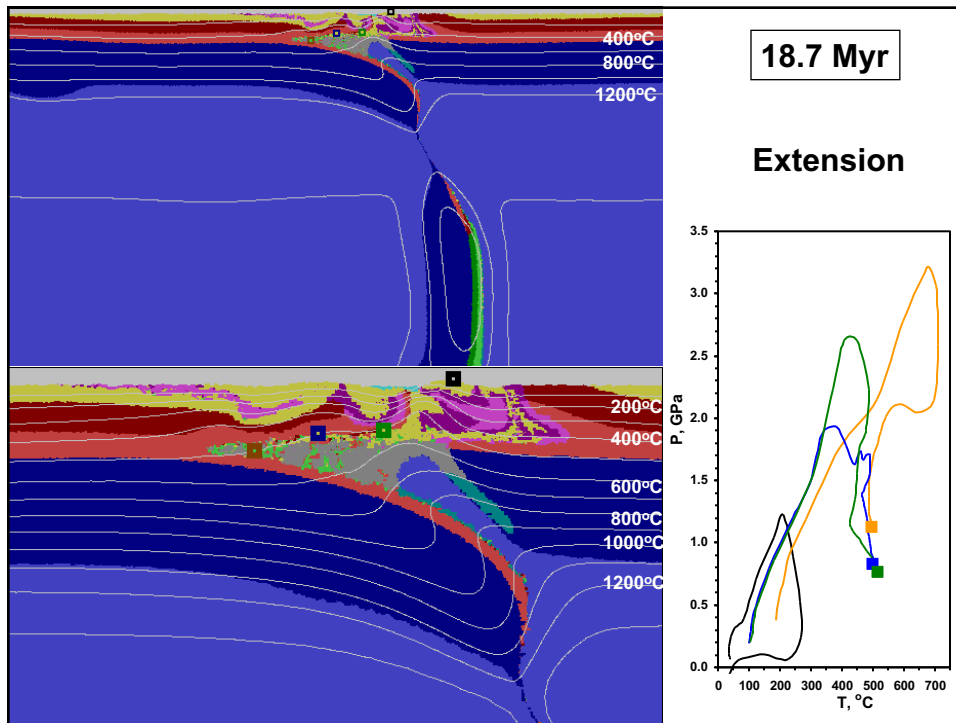
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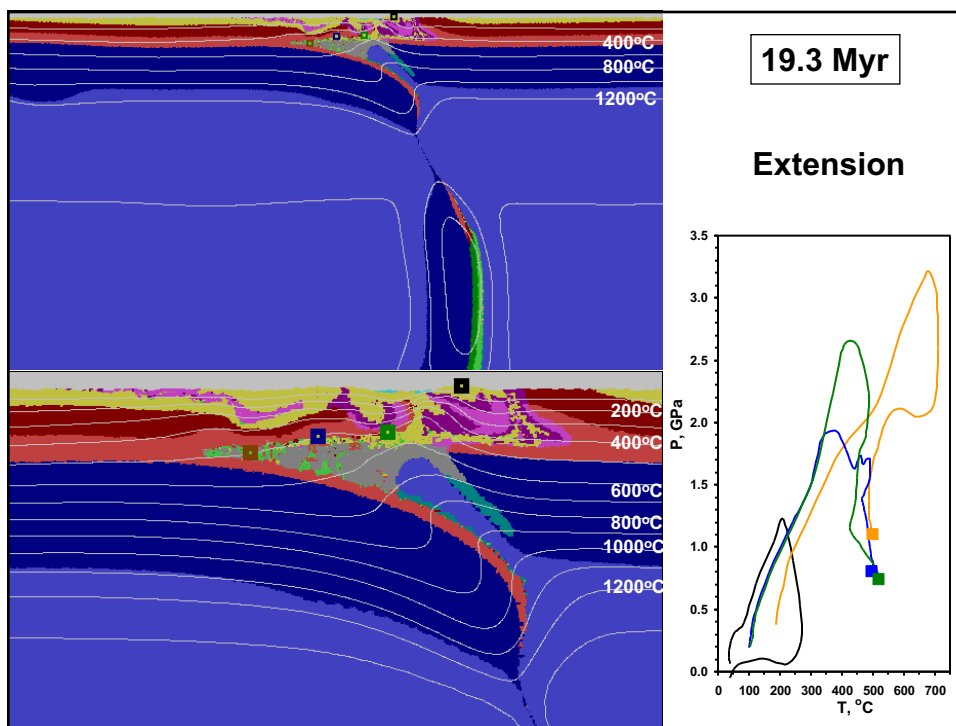
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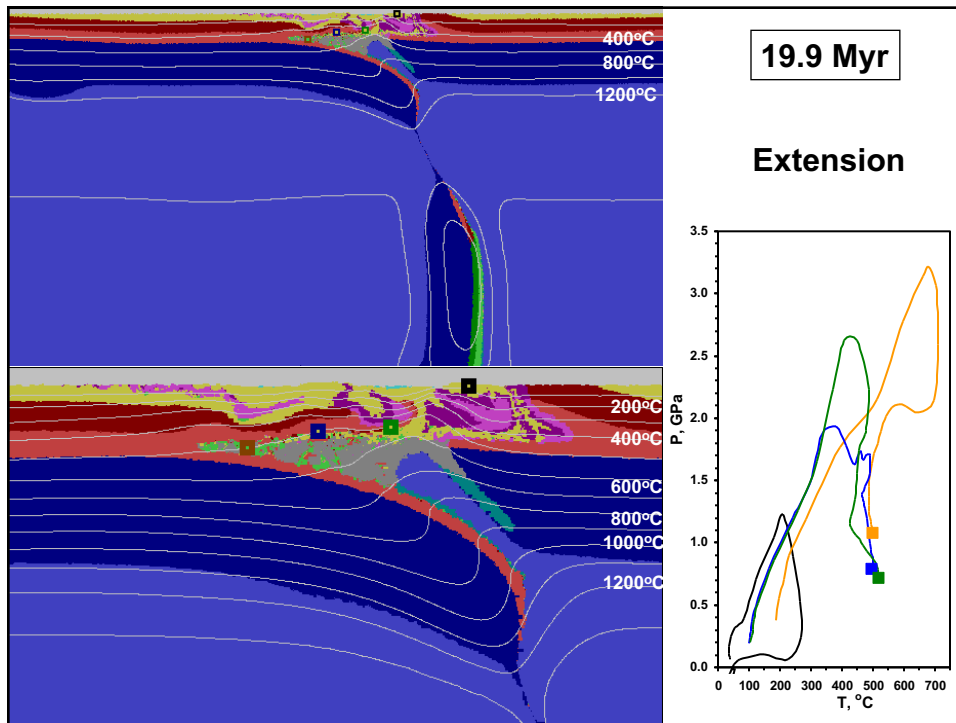
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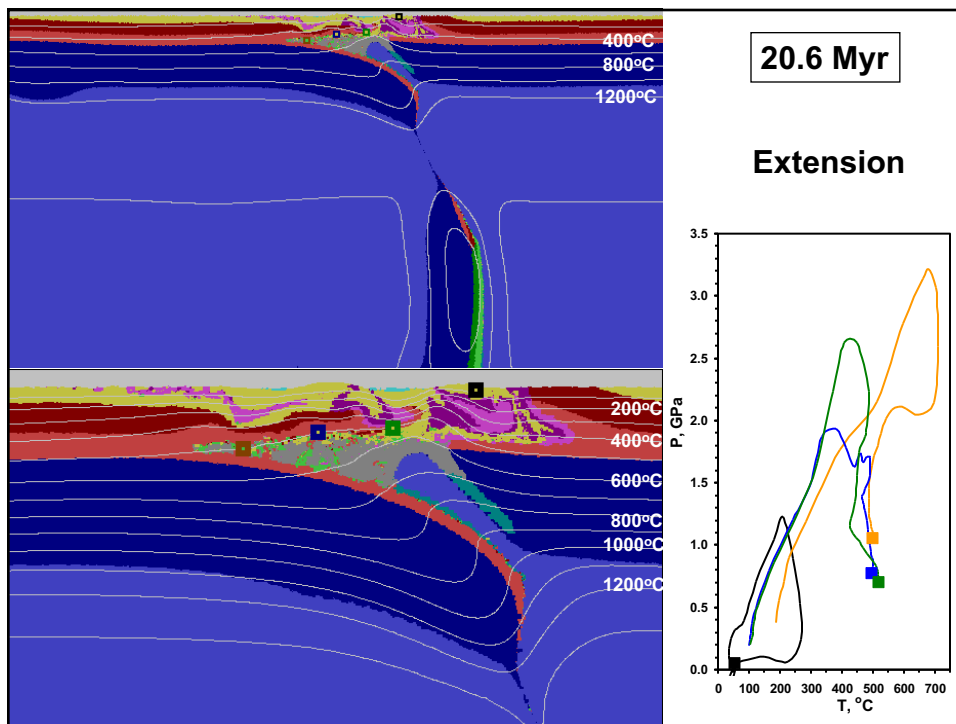
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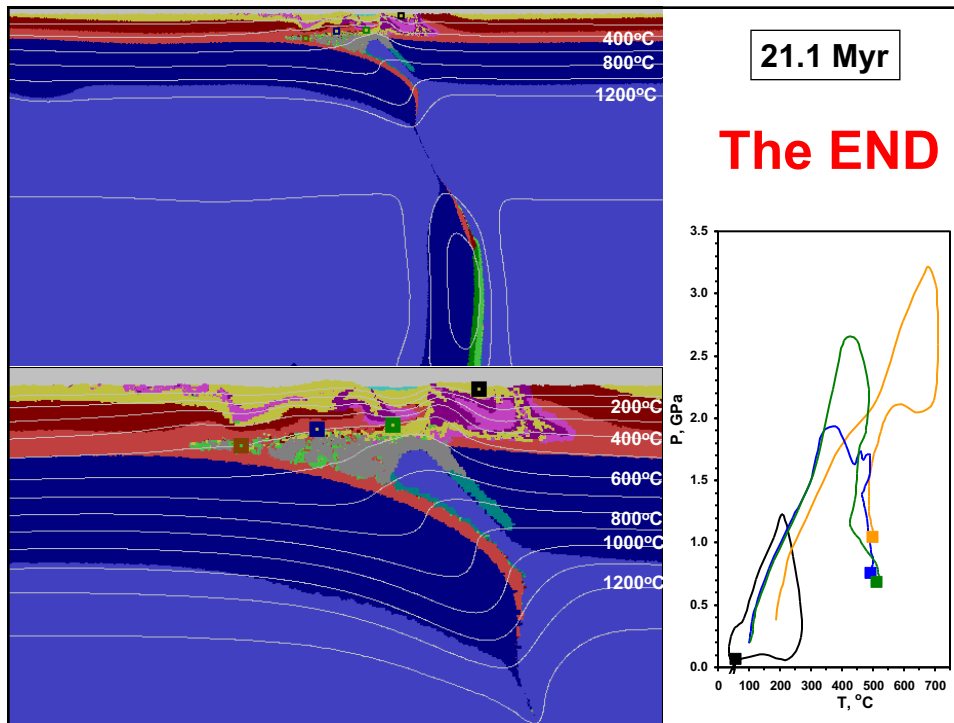
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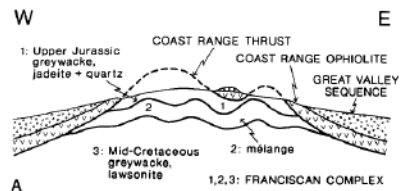
Dynamics of orogenic wedges and the uplift of high-pressure metamorphic rocks

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ABSTRACT

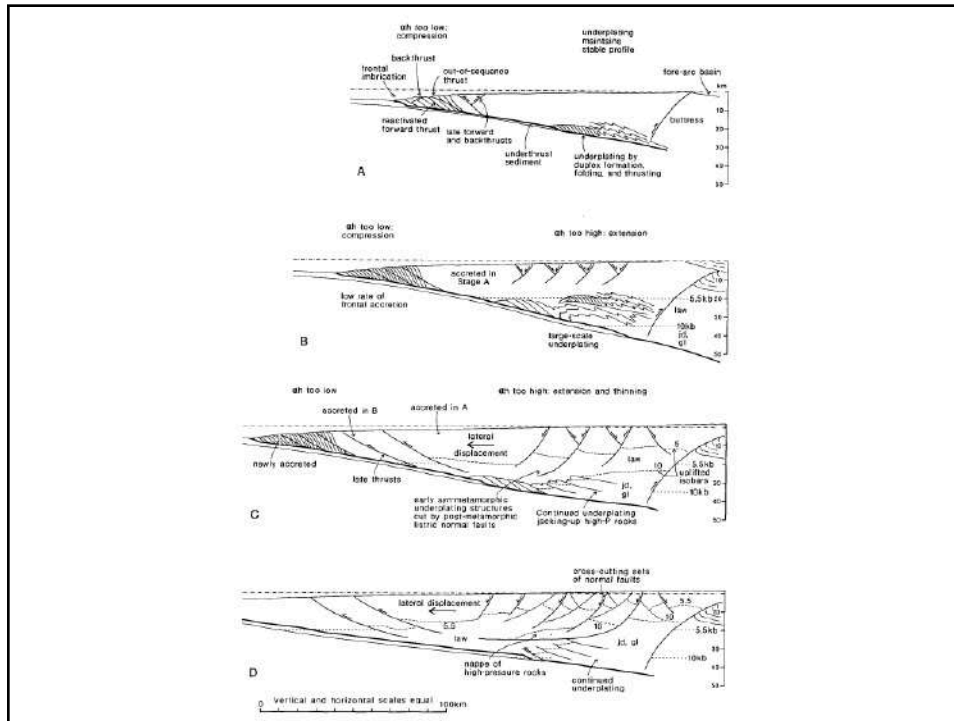
Subduction-accretion complexes can be approximated as wedge-shaped continua with a rigid buttress behind and a subducting lithospheric slab beneath. Thick wedges undergoing prograde metamorphism have a negligible long-term yield strength and are likely to exhibit a complex nonlinear viscous rheology. Such a wedge will tend to deform internally until it reaches a stable configuration, in which the gravitational forces generated by the wedge geometry balance the traction exerted on its underside by the subducting slab. Accretion of material at the wedge front will lengthen the wedge and cause it to shorten internally to regain the stable geometry. This shortening will be expressed as late (out-of-sequence) thrusting, backthrusting, and folding. Conversely, underplating of sediment or crustal slices will thicken the wedge, which may need to extend internally to regain stability. Extension will cause listric normal faults that may merge downward into zones of ductile extension. Continued underplating at depth and compensating extension above provides a mechanism for bringing high-P/low-T metamorphic rocks to upper levels in the rear of the wedge, where they are commonly observed. Many major tectonic boundaries in convergent orogens (such as the Coast Range thrust in the Franciscan Complex, major nappe contacts in the Alps, and the contact between the Nevado-Filabride and Higher Betic nappe complexes in the Betic Cordillera) show abrupt increases in metamorphic grade downward across them. This is consistent with their origin or reactivation as uplift-related, extensional structures.

material is then detached at depth, it will be incorporated into a growing accretionary wedge and will be potentially available for subsequent exhumation. Compressional deformation alone, however, cannot bring rocks closer to the topographic surface. An additional process is needed, either to bring the high-P rocks upward relative to their surroundings or to remove material from above them. Possibilities include the buoyant rise of subducted slabs of crustal material relative to higher density mantle rocks (Ernst, 1971b, 1975, 1984; Platt, 1986); entrainment of blocks of high-P rocks in relatively low-density diapirs (England and Holland, 1979; Carlson, 1981; Moore, 1984) or in flowing mud-matrix mélanges (Cloos, 1982); or regional uplift driven by underplating of material at the base of the accretionary wedge, coupled with erosion at the surface (Platt, 1975; Rubie, 1984). None of these processes appears to adequately explain the tectonic setting and timing of uplift of regionally coherent metamorphic



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Paradigms, new and old, for ultrahigh-pressure tectonism

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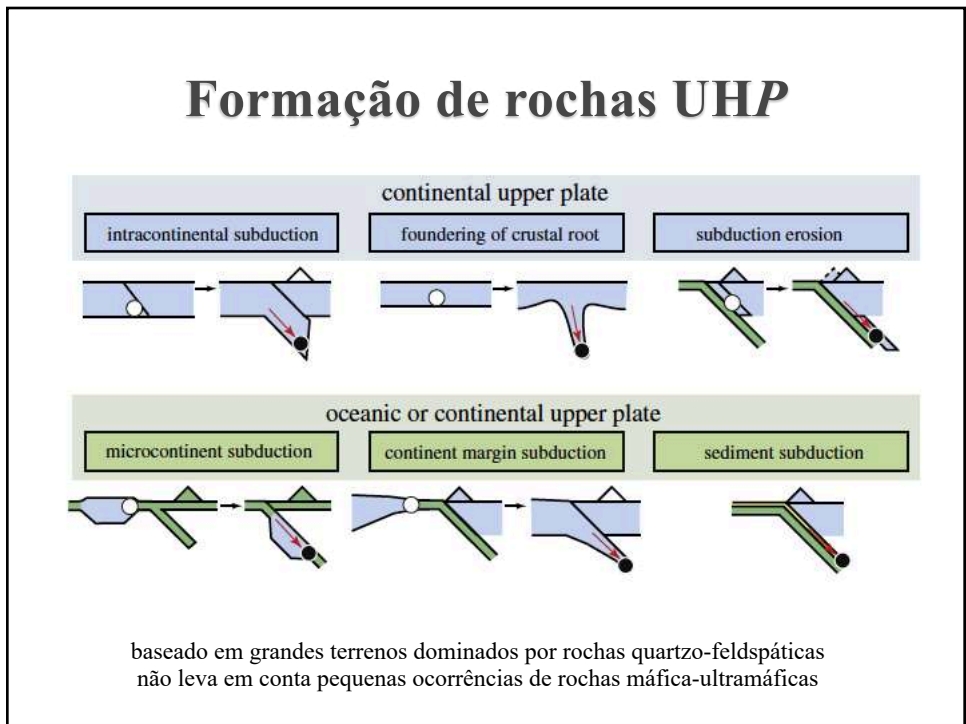
<p>ARTICLE INFO</p> <p><i>Article History:</i> Received 31 January 2013 Received in revised form 20 May 2013 Accepted 22 May 2013 Available online 4 June 2013</p> <p><i>Keywords:</i> Ultrahigh pressure Exhumation Subduction Relamination Diapir</p>	<p>ABSTRACT</p> <p>Regional ultrahigh-pressure (UHP) metamorphic terranes exhibit a spectrum of lithological, structural and petrological characteristics that result from the geodynamic processes that formed and exhumed them. At least six geodynamic processes can be envisioned to have carried continental rocks to mantle depths: i) continental margin subduction, ii) microcontinent subduction, iii) sediment subduction, iv) intracontinental subduction, v) subduction erosion, and vi) foundering of a crustal root. Most of these processes have been investigated through numerical or analog models and most have been invoked for one or more specific occurrences of UHP rocks. At least six geodynamic processes can be envisioned to have exhumed UHP continental rocks: i) exduction, ii) microplate rotation, iii) crustal stacking, iv) slab rollback v) channel flow, and vi) trans-mantle diapirs. Most of these processes have also been investigated through numerical or analog models and all have been invoked to explain the exhumation of at least one UHP terrane. More-detailed and systematic field investigations are warranted to assess the predictions of numerical models, and more-sophisticated and realistic numerical models are required to replicate and explain the petrological, structural, and chronological data obtained from UHP terranes.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">© 2013 Elsevier B.V. All rights reserved.</p>
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Table 1
Geologic characteristics of terranes exhumed by different mechanisms.

	a) Structural	b) Petrological	c) Chronological	d) Length scale	e) Example
Eduction ("Andersen model")	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Relatively weakly deformed No thrust fault at base 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monotonic down-dip gradient in peak P & T 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up to 10 Myr subduction & exhumation in models Monotonic down-dip gradient in ages 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thickness of educting lithospheric section 	Western Gneiss region
Microplate rotation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rotation of lineations in space and time Possible thrust fault at base with increasing offset from rotation axis 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> P & T gradient with respect to rotation axis 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not yet modeled Age gradient with respect to rotation axis 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thickness of rotation lithospheric section, unless diminished by basal thrust 	Dable Shan
Crustal stacking ("Chemenda model")	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Relatively coherent slab Thrust fault at base above another crustal section 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monotonic down-dip gradient in peak P & T 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up to 20 Myr in models Monotonic down-dip gradient in ages 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Crust 	Dora Maira(?)
Slab rollback	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Microcontinent Thrust fault at base 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Associated back-arc spreading 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 15 Myr in Mediterranean Monotonic down-dip gradient in ages 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Microcontinent crust spreading 	Not yet(?) demonstrated for UHP rocks Unknown
Channel flow	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nappes or strong mixing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mixing of domains of different pressures Possible pressure cycling of individual domains 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A few Myr to tens of Myr in models Mixing of domains with different ages 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meters to kilometers 	
Trans-mantle diapirs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Radially symmetric structures Dome within upper plate No basal fault 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Significant local melting Mixing of domains of different pressures Concurrent magmatism 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rapid (<1 Myr) ascents of diapirs over a period of tens of Myr 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10-20 km diapir radius 	N Qaidam

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Forças que controlam subducção e exumação

- ▶ Forças tectônicas globais transmitidas por movimentos de placas
- ▶ Forças dos corpos derivadas da flutuabilidade (*buoyancy*) de rochas subductadas
 - afetada por *T*, *P*, composição da rocha e transformação de fases (reações metamórficas)
 - rochas continentais em profundidades mantélicas tem flutuabilidade positiva e têm tendência a serem exumadas, especialmente se são submetidas à fusão parcial

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Mecanismos de exumação

- ▶ **Edução**
- ▶ exumação de uma placa subductada por reversão do movimento da placa com relativa pouca tensão interna

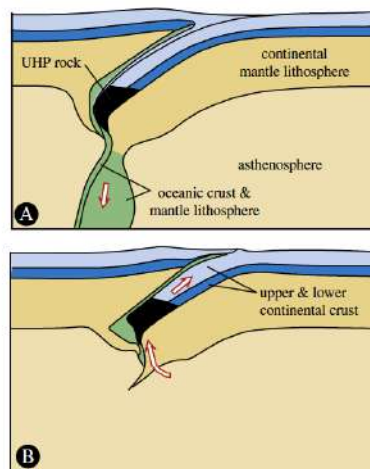


Fig. 2. Exhumation, after Andersen et al. (1991) and Duretz et al. (2012). A) A continent attached to oceanic lithosphere follows the latter to UHP depth. At some point, slab pull exceeds slab strength, initiating necking. B) The positively buoyant portion of the subducting plate reverses direction and rebounds, exhumating the UHP rocks. If the continent is sufficiently strong, it undergoes little strain.

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Mecanismos de exumação

▶ Rotação de microplaca

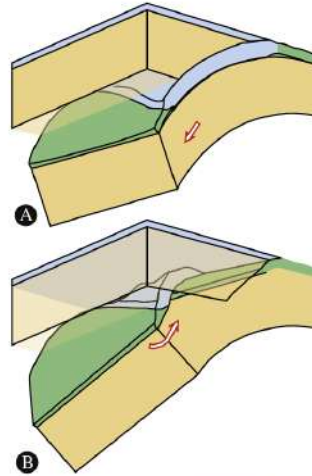


Fig. 3. Microplate rotation to exhumate UHP rocks (after Hacker et al., 2000). If the changes in force that occur in response to continent subduction vary along the length of the subduction zone, these lateral gradients may drive plate rotation that exhumes UHP rocks.

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Mecanismos de exumação

▶ Delaminação e empilhamento crustal acionados por flutuabilidade

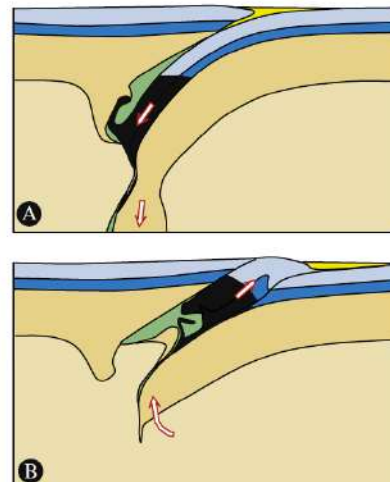


Fig. 4. Buoyancy-driven crustal delamination and stacking ("Chemenda" model) after Duretz and Gerya (2013). A weak buoyant layer atop a stronger negatively buoyant layer detaches where buoyancy exceeds slab pull, and extrudes upward as a semi-coherent sheet. The delaminated crust is thrust upward over the dowgoing plate.

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Mecanismos de exumação

- ▶ Reversão do movimento da placa (*slab rollback*)

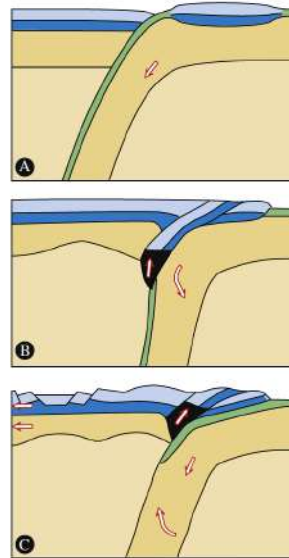


Fig. 5. Slab rollback (Iruin and Faccenna, 2008). The buoyancy of a microcontinent slows slab rollback. If the mafic lithosphere on either side of the microcontinent continues to roll back, a buoyant portion of the microcontinent may detach, allowing the retarded portion of the slab to roll quickly back, making room for the UHP continental crust to exstume and driving back-arc extension.

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Mecanismos de exumação

- ▶ Fluxo de canal na subducção

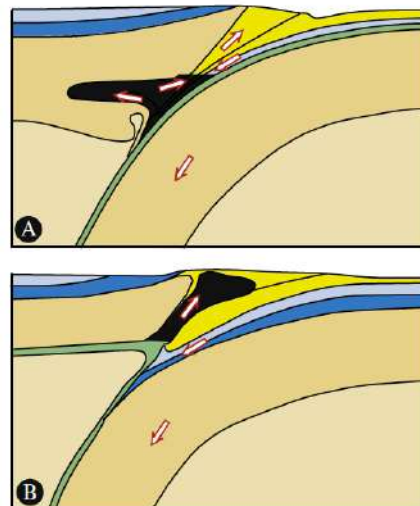


Fig. 6. Subduction channel flow (Li and Gerya, 2009). Crustal material subducted in a confined channel circulates, driven by traction along the base of the channel and the buoyancy of rocks in the channel. Material in the channel can be exhumed if: i) new material pushes old material up; ii) buoyancy in the channel exceeds traction; or iii) an indenter squeezes channel.

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Mecanismos de exumação

- ▶ Diápiros trans-mantélicos

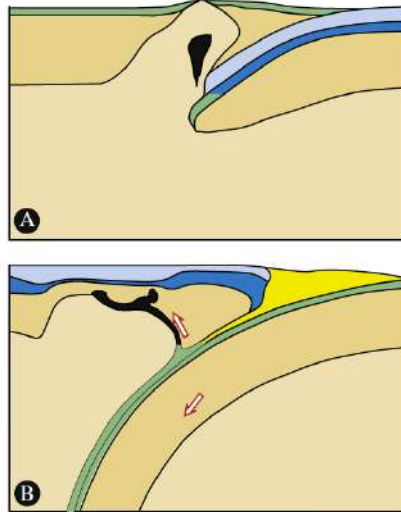


Fig. 7. Some UHP terranes might be coalesced material derived from subduction-sourced diapirs of sediment or material removed by subduction erosion (Gerya and Mellick, 2011; Little et al., 2011).

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Relaminação (não-exumação)

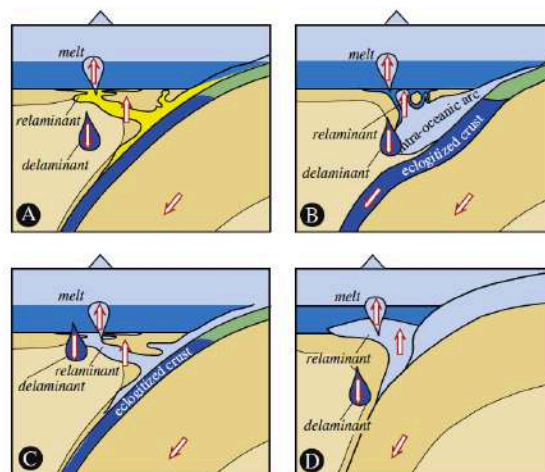
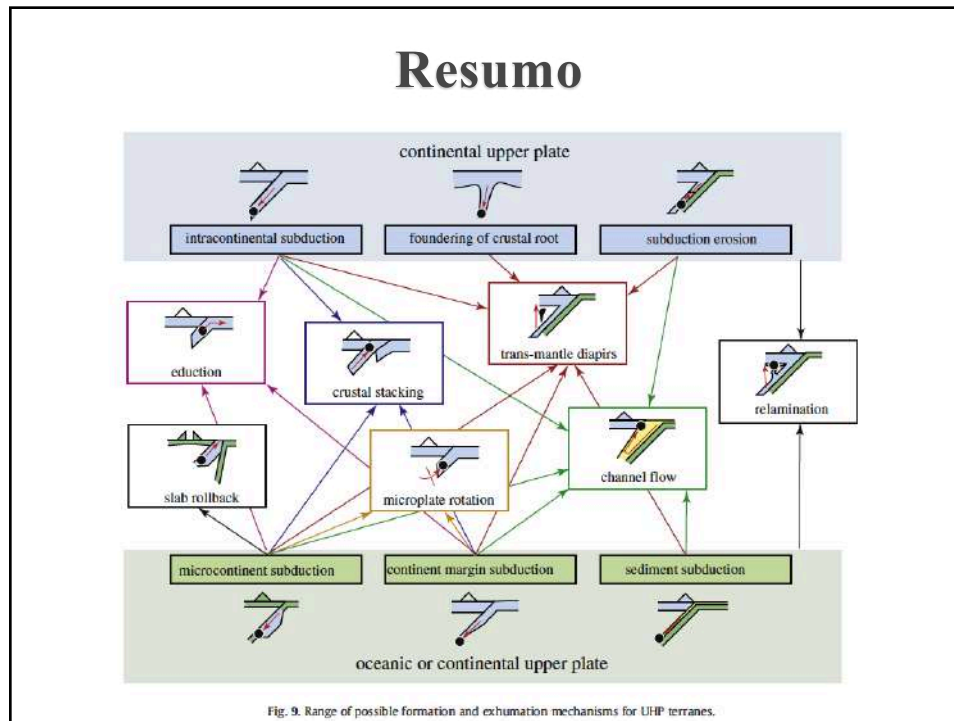


Fig. 8. Transfer of subducted crustal rock into the base of the upper plate is termed 'relamination'. A) Relamination of subducted sediment (Currie et al., 2007). B) Relamination of subducted intra-oceanic arc. C) Relamination of crust removed by subduction erosion (Stöckhert and Gerya, 2005). D) Relamination of subducted continental crust (Walsh and Hacker, 2004).

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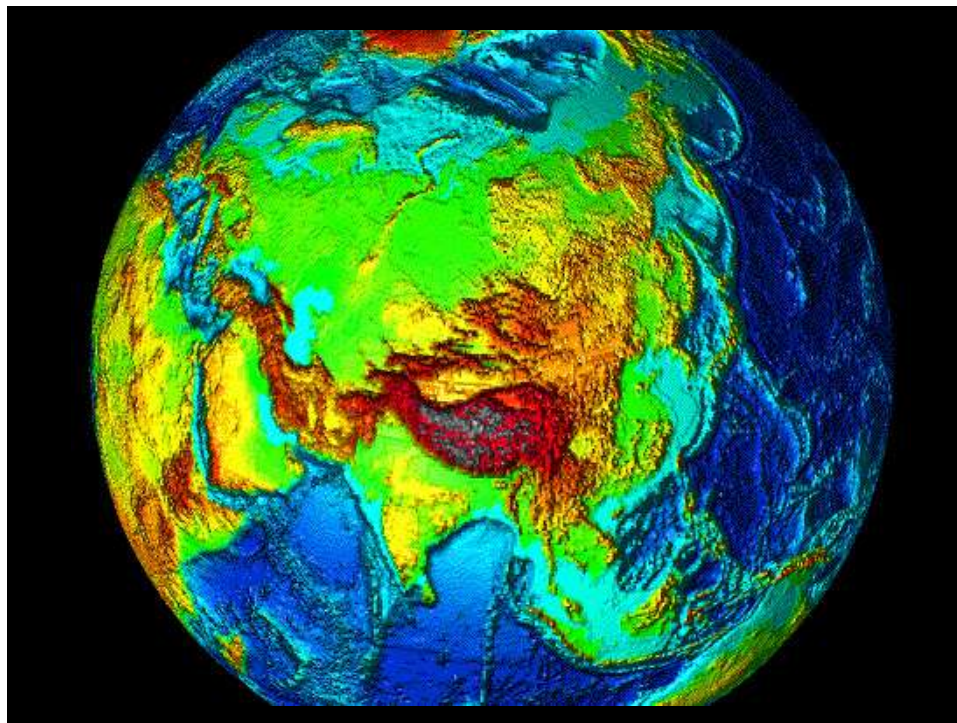


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Metamorfismo em Cinturões Envolvendo Colisão Continental

Trajetórias P - T - t e modelos termais
O **Metamorfismo Barroviano**

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The influence of erosion upon the mineral facies of rocks from different metamorphic environments

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SUMMARY

Metamorphism of tectonically thickened continental crust or subducted sediment wedges is likely to take place in a thermal regime where temperature increases by conductive relaxation whilst concurrently pressure decreases by erosion of the pile. The mineral facies of rocks reaching the surface do not reflect any one geotherm through the pile but lie on a locus of P-T conditions, the metamorphic geotherm, which will generally be concave towards the temperature axis. Maximum pressures on the metamorphic geotherm are significantly less than maximum pressures experienced by rocks during the early stages of recrystallization. The metamorphic geotherm is polychronic, points at lower temperatures reflecting conditions

earlier in the development than those at higher temperature; crustal melts are developed after low-medium temperature metamorphism and the amount of such melts could be significant.

Blueschists develop on the low temperature end of the metamorphic geotherm and are succeeded in exposure at the surface by greenschist- or amphibolite-facies rocks; the timescale for this process is consistent with the virtual absence of Precambrian blueschists. Crust thickened by addition of hot magma is likely to yield a metamorphic geotherm convex towards the temperature axis. Recognition of differently curving metamorphic geotherms can be used to assess the part played by magmatic activity in older metamorphic terrains.

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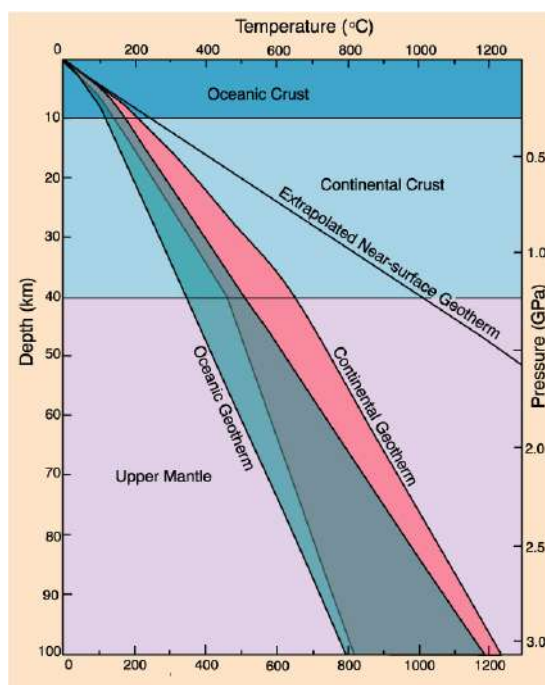
O que controla o metamorfismo regional em cinturões colisionais?

- ▶ Fontes primárias de calor
 - elementos radioativos produtores de calor
 - calor emanado do manto
 - Outras fontes de calor – intrusões e astenosfera
- ▶ Mecanismos de transferência de calor
 - Condução é o mecanismo predominante no metamorfismo crustal
 - Advecção de magmas e fluidos pode contribuir
- ▶ Distribuição inicial dos elementos produtores de calor na crosta continental
 - A crosta continental é estratificada
 - crosta média superior é rica em rochas graníticas ricas em elementos produtores de calor
 - crosta inferior é formada por resíduo granulítico pobre em elementos produtores de calor

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Geoterma

- ▶ Linha (ou superfície) que descreve a variação de T com a profundidade (ou P) na Terra
- ▶ De onde vem o calor?



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O que controla o metamorfismo regional em cinturões colisionais?

- ▶ Geometria do espessamento crustal e da colisão
 - Espessamento crustal homogêneo ou não
 - Espessamento homogêneo da litosfera
 - Colisão frontal ou oblíqua
- ▶ Taxas de erosão (outros processos de exumação)
 - Taxa de erosão constante
 - Extensão crustal e denudação por falhas
 - A erosão do orógeno (implica em restabelecimento de equilíbrio isostático) está dentro do intervalo entre 50 e 200 Ma
 - 2 a 5 mm.y⁻¹

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Pressure–Temperature–Time Paths of Regional Metamorphism I. Heat Transfer during the Evolution of Regions of Thickened Continental Crust

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ABSTRACT

The development of regional metamorphism in areas of thickened continental crust is investigated in terms of the major controls on regional-scale thermal regimes. These are: the total radiogenic heat supply within the thickened crust, the supply of heat from the mantle, the thermal conductivity of the medium and the length and time scales of erosion of the continental crust. The orogenic episode is regarded as consisting of a relatively rapid phase of crustal thickening, during which little temperature change occurs in individual rocks, followed by a lengthier phase of erosion, at the end of which the crust is at its original thickness. The principal features of pressure–temperature–time (*PTt*) paths followed by rocks in this environment are a period of thermal relaxation, during which the temperature rises towards the higher geotherm that would be supported by the thickened crust, followed by a period of cooling as the rock approaches the cold land surface. The temperature increase that occurs is governed by the degree of thickening of the crust, its conductivity and the time that elapses before the rock is exhumed sufficiently to be affected by the proximity of the cold upper boundary. For much of the parameter range considered, the heating phase encompasses a considerable portion of the exhumation (decompression) part of the *PTt* path. In addition to the detailed calculation of *PTt* paths we present an idealized model of the thickening and exhumation process, which may be used to make simple calculations of the amount of heating to be expected during a given thickening and exhumation episode and of the depth at which a rock will start to cool on its ascent path. An important feature of these *PTt* paths is that most of them lie within 50 °C of the maximum temperature attained for one third or more of the total duration of their burial and uplift, and for a geologically plausible range of erosion rates the rocks do not begin to cool until they have completed 20 to 40 per cent of the total uplift they experience. Considerable melting of the continental crust is a likely consequence of thickening of crust with an average continental geotherm. A companion paper discusses these results in the context of attempts to use metamorphic petrology data to give information on tectonic

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Modelo de England & Thompson (1984)

- ▶ Suposições termiais
 - temperatura na superfície da Terra é constante
 - o fluxo de calor proveniente do manto é constante
 - produção do calor radiogênico é constante e abaixo de 15 km é zero
 - dentro da crosta a transferência de calor se dá por condução
 - o manto contribui com aproximadamente 50% do calor na crosta continental
- ▶ Com essas suposições o modelo gera valores de fluxo de calor dentro do intervalo medido na superfície terrestre (entre 0,045 e 0,075 Wm⁻²)

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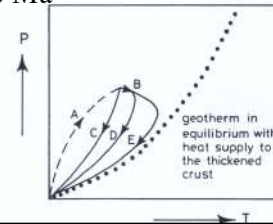
Modelo de England & Thompson (1984)

- ▶ Suposições mecânicas:
 - espessamento crustal:
 - ocorre por empurrões e só na crosta
 - é homogêneo e instantâneo
 - é homogêneo em toda a litosfera
 - durante os primeiros 20 Ma não ocorre movimentação vertical no orógeno (não há erosão)
 - denudação ocorre apenas por erosão, a qual é homogênea ao longo do tempo

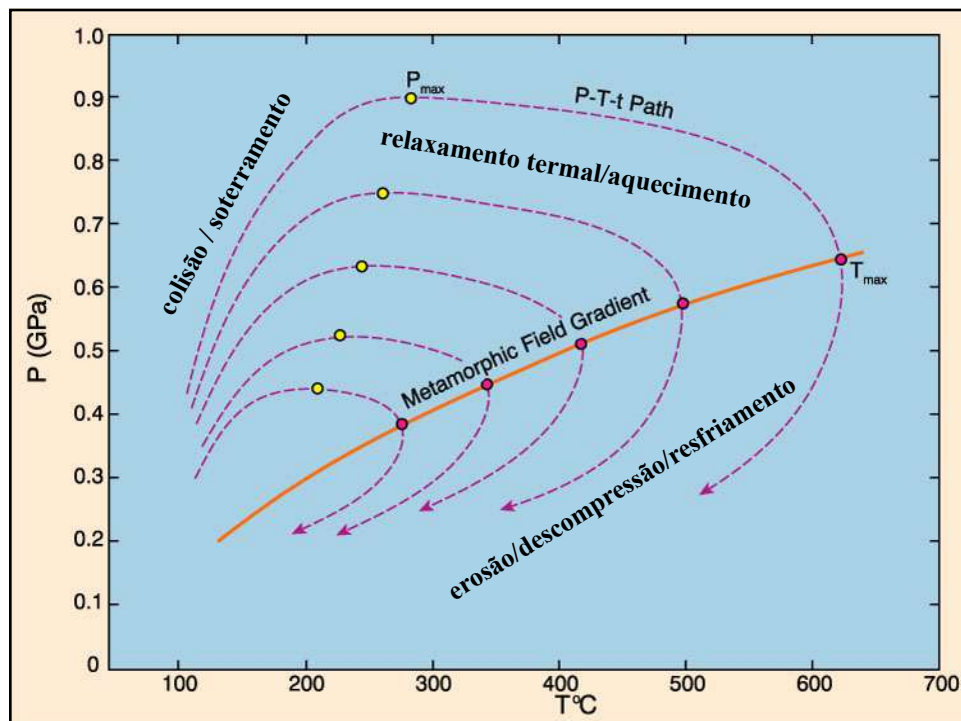
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Trajatórias $P-T-t$

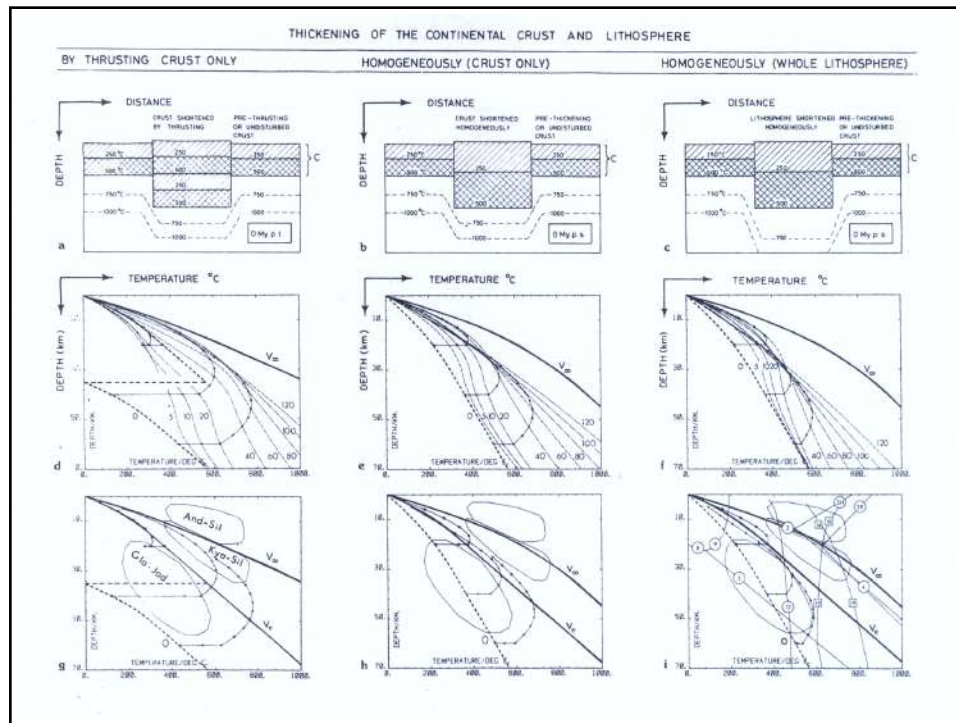
- ▶ O tempo relativo de três processos controla a forma da trajetória $P-T-t$?
 - duração da colisão
 - duração do re-equilíbrio termal da crosta (relaxamento termal)
 - duração da exumação (erosão)
- ▶ Trajetória $P-T$ horária
- ▶ England & Richardson (1977):
 - duração da colisão - estágio mais rápido < 10 Ma
 - relaxamento termal e exumação – dezenas de Ma
 - erosão entre 50 e 200 Ma



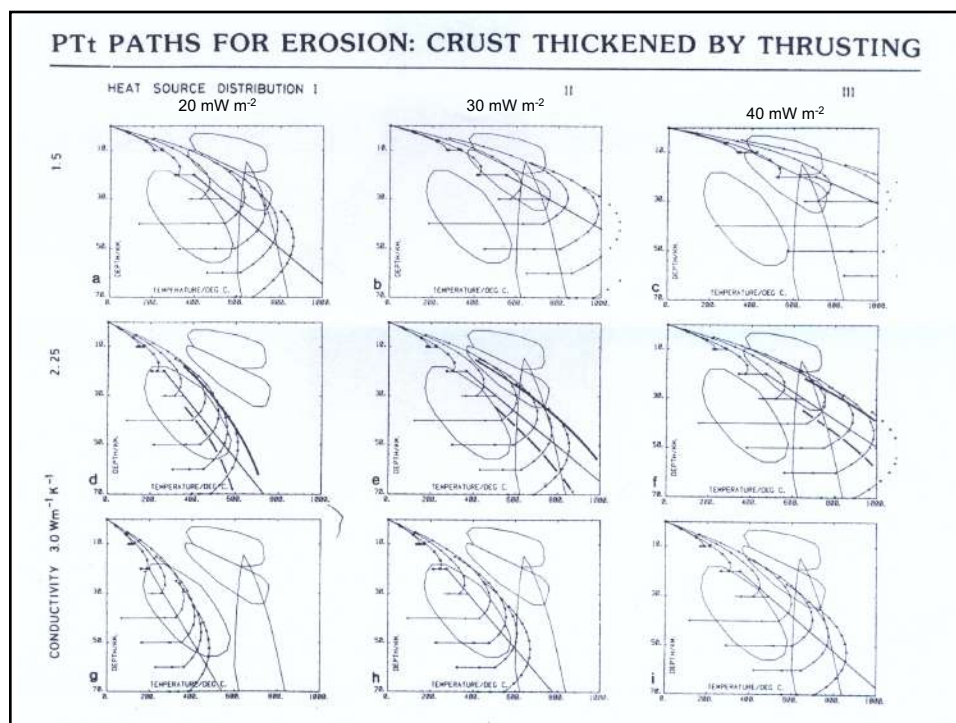
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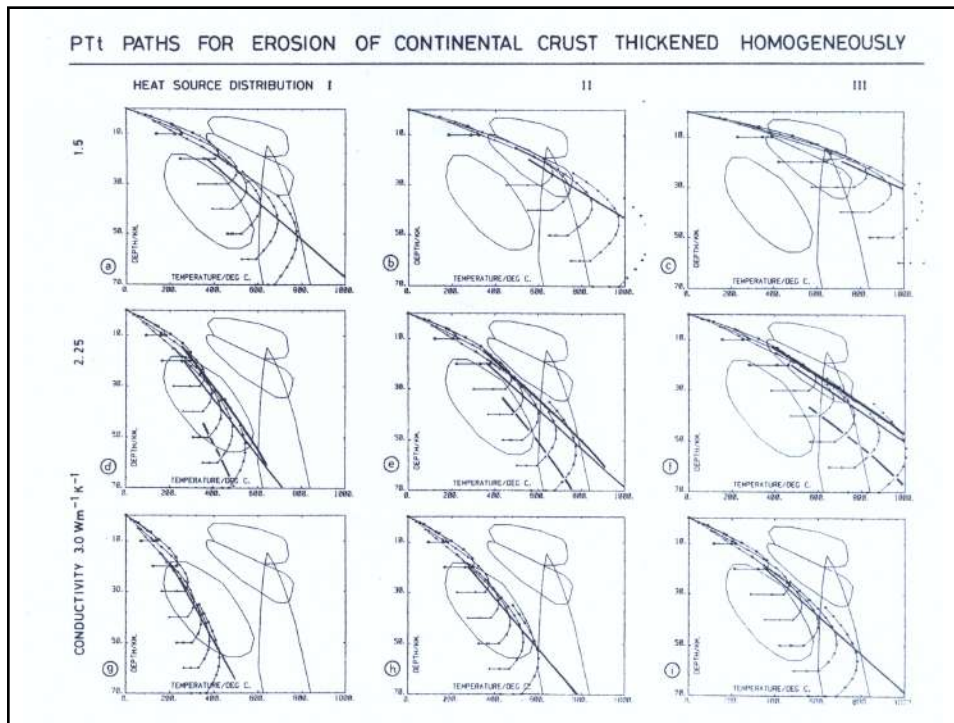
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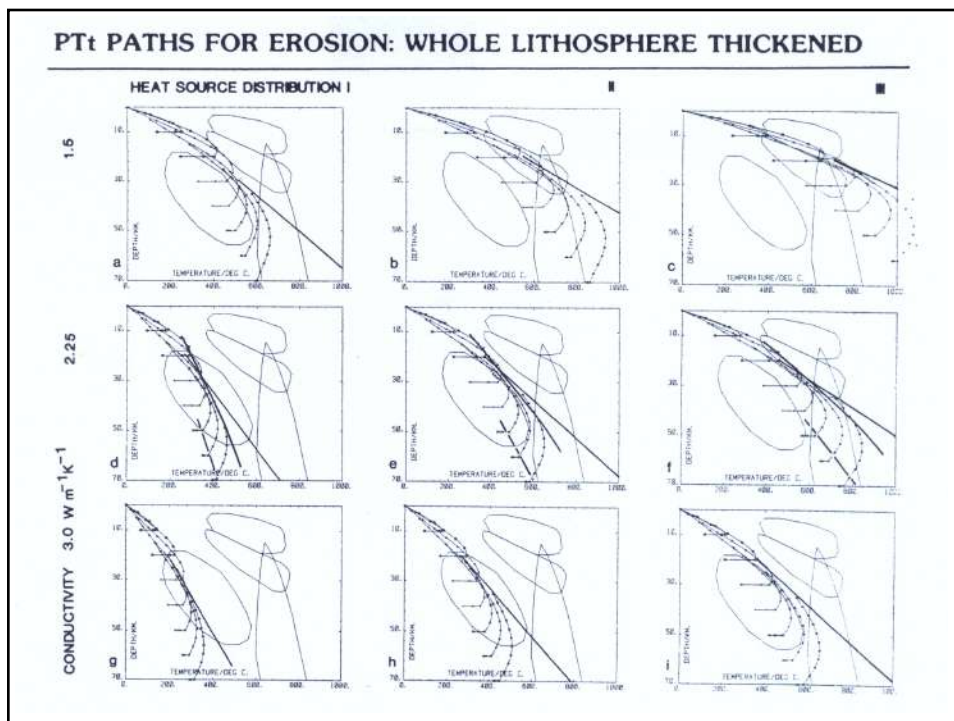
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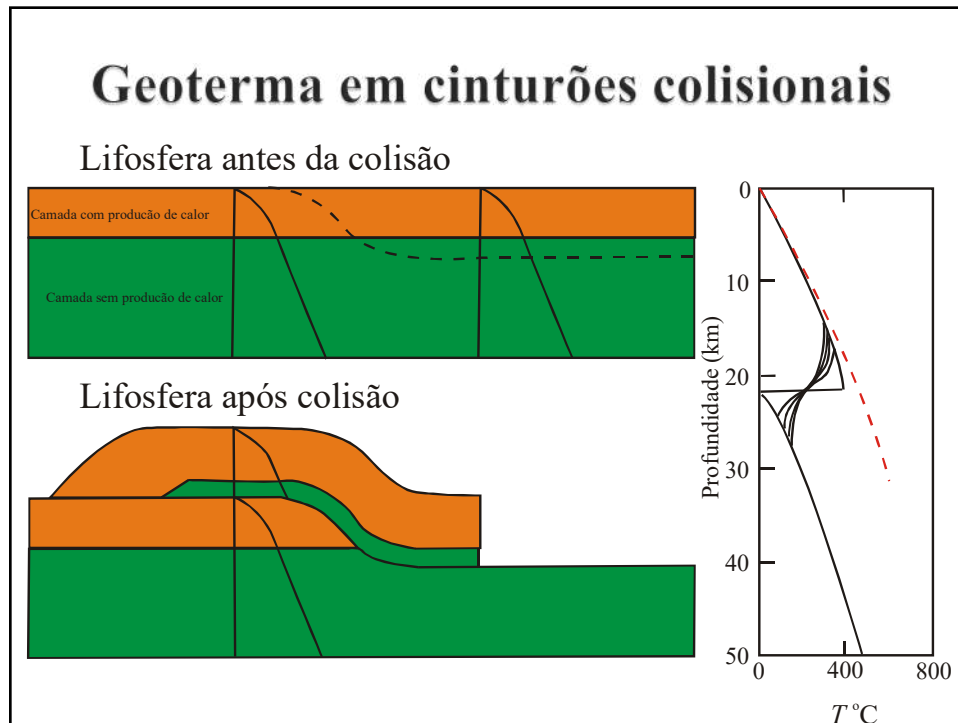
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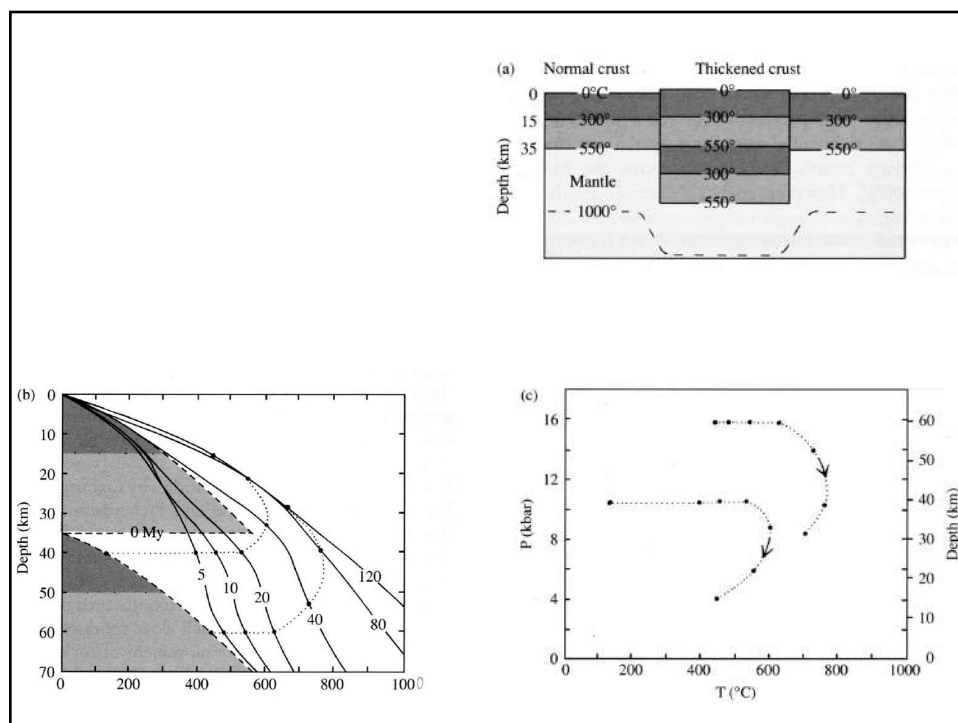
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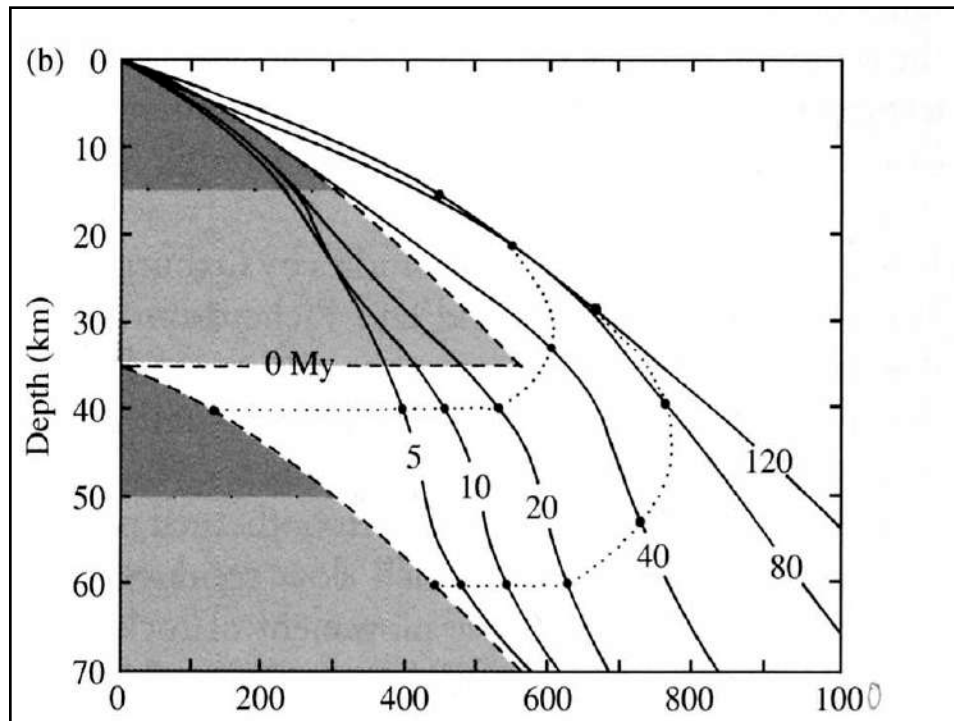
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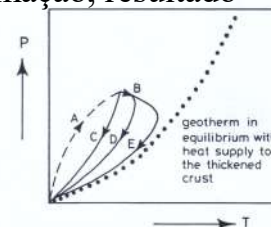
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Trajetórias P - T horárias

- ▶ O relaxamento termal aumenta a T da rocha enquanto a erosão tende a diminuí-la
- ▶ P_{\max} antecede T_{\max} (estágio de alta P)
- ▶ T_{\max} é alcançada durante a descompressão
- ▶ Quanto mais rápido acontecer o início da erosão após a colisão, menor vai ser a diferença entre P_{\max} e P_{pico} e menor vai ser T_{\max}
- ▶ O pico termal pós-data o pico da deformação, resultado da colisão

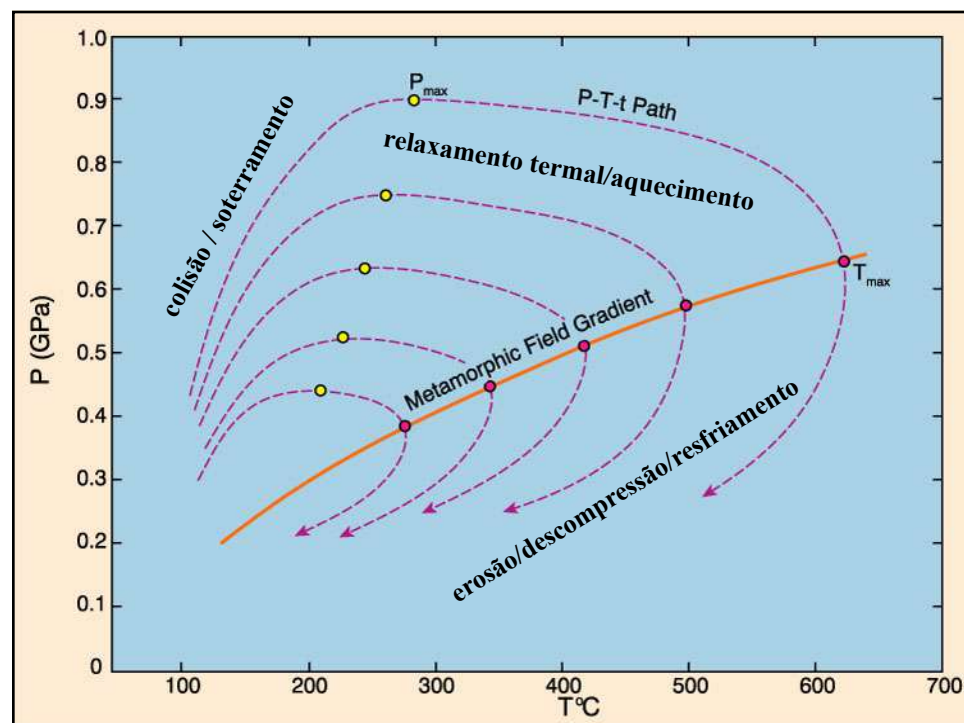


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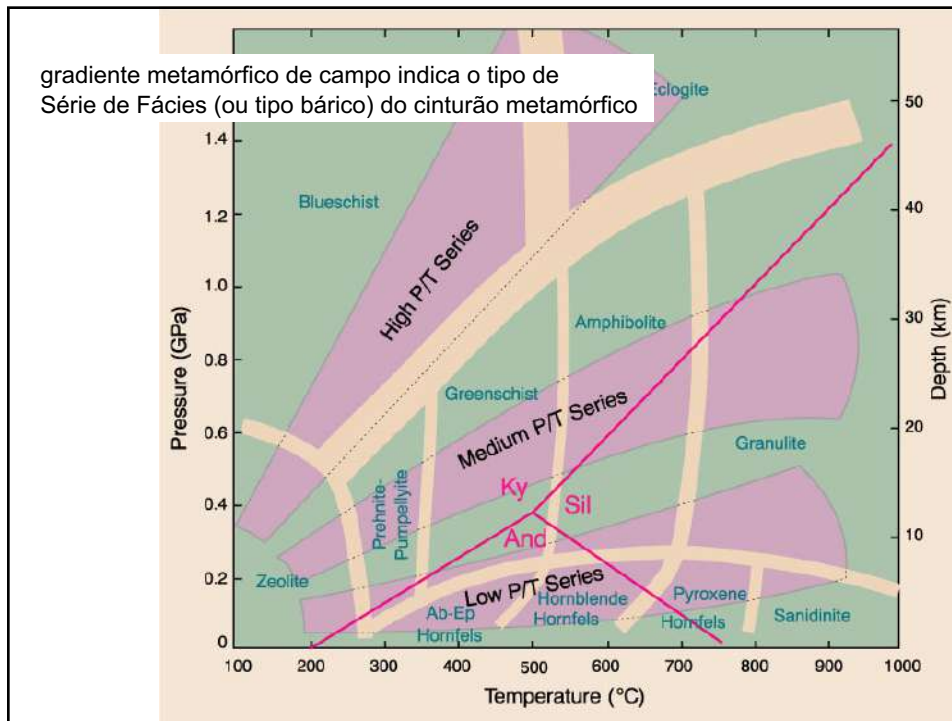
Trajelórias P - T horárias

- ▶ Metamorfismo barroviano (Ky-Sil) ocorre quando baixa condutividade térmica, alto fluxo de calor, baixa erosão (ou super-espessamento) ocorrem
- ▶ A pressão do pico metamórfico é entre 50 e 80% da pressão máxima atingida
- ▶ Quanto mais rápido for o aquecimento inicial, ou maior for o intervalo de tempo para começar a erosão, maior será a temperatura do pico metamórfico
- ▶ O metamorfismo depende da profundidade de soterramento, da taxa de aquecimento e da taxa de erosão

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Pseudo- and real-inverted metamorphism caused by the superposition and extrusion of a stack of nappes: a case study of the Southern Brasília Orogen, Brazil

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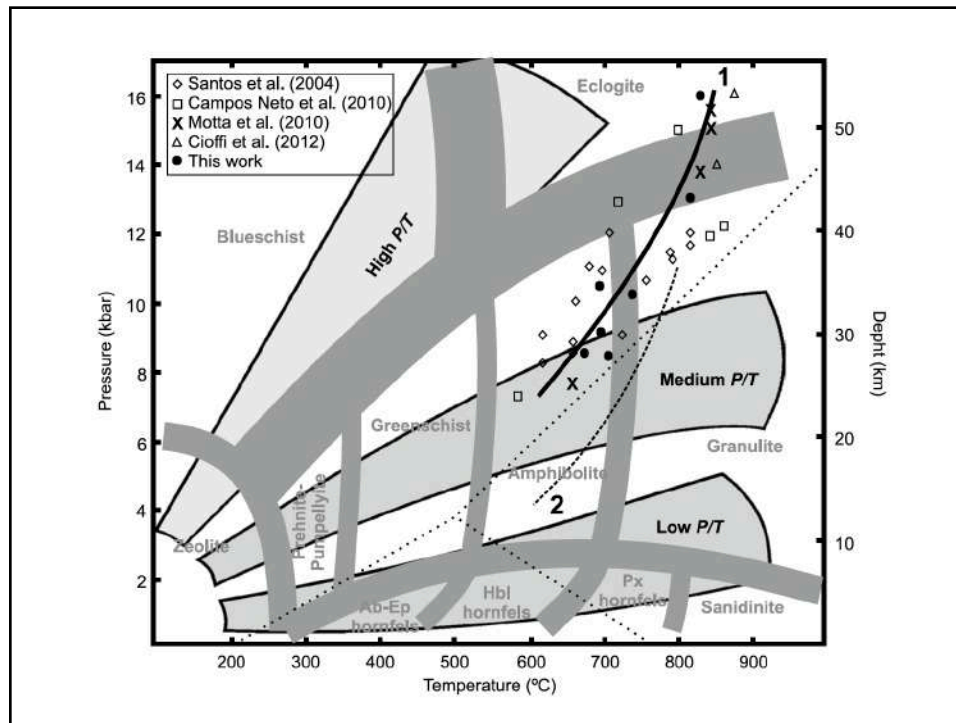
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Abstract The Southern Brasília Orogen is a Neoproterozoic belt that occurs along the southernmost border of the São Francisco Craton where the Andrelândia Nappe System represents the subducted sedimentary domain and is divided into three allochthonous groups, of which the ages and *P-T* conditions of metamorphism are studied here. The basal unit, the Andrelândia Nappe, exhibits an inverted metamorphic pattern. The base of the structure, composed of staurolite, garnet, biotite, kyanite, quartz, and muscovite, marks the metamorphic peak, whereas at the top, the association of the metamorphic peak does not contain staurolite. The Liberdade Nappe, the middle unit, presents a normal metamorphic pattern; its base, close to the Andrelândia Nappe, shows paragneiss with evidence of in situ partial

(622.3 ± 7.6 Ma). The upper unit, the Serra da Natureza Klippe, bears a typical high-pressure granulite mineral assemblage that is composed of kyanite, garnet, K-feldspar, rutile, and leucosome, as well as a metamorphic peak at 604.5 ± 6.1 Ma. This tectonic assembly, with inverted and non-inverted metamorphic patterns and generation of klippen structures, is consistent with exhumation models and a strong indenter located in the lower continental crust.

Keywords Brasília Orogen · High-pressure granulite · Inverted metamorphism · Metamorphic field gradient · Monazite dating · Exhumation model


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Tectonic implications of juxtaposed high- and low-pressure metamorphic field gradient rocks in the Turvo-Cajati Formation, Curitiba Terrane, Ribeira Belt, Brazil

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ABSTRACT

The Turvo-Cajati Formation (TCF) is an important unit forming the Curitiba Terrane, a major segment of the southern Ribeira Belt, SE Brazil. It is composed of rocks of greenschist (LTCF), amphibolite (MTCF) and granulite (HTCF) facies conditions. Previous studies in the HTCF indicate that the unit underwent extensive partial melting under high-pressure conditions (670–810 °C and 9.5–12 kbar), within the kyanite stability field. In this paper, a study of the metamorphic zoning within the LTCF and MTCF is undertaken using pseudosection modeling in the NCKFMASH and MnNCKFMASH model systems coupled with detrital zircon U–Pb geochronology. Four metamorphic zones are recognized for the LTCF and MTCF: biotite, garnet, staurolite and sillimanite zones, with predominance of sillimanite zone and pressures lower than 8 kbar, as staurolite breaks down straight to sillimanite, without formation of a kyanite zone. Pseudosections yielded metamorphic peak conditions of ~530–560 °C and ~6–7.5 kbar (garnet zone) and ~660–690 °C and ~6–7.5 kbar (sillimanite zone). The metamorphic field gradient is flat and of low to medium pressure, below the typical Barrovian-type baric regime, and different from the HTCF. Available petrological and geochronological data suggest that the TCF comprises a paired low-*P* and high-*P* metamorphic belt, associated with a major Ediacaran suture zone in the southern Ribeira Belt. Probability density plots from detrital zircon U–Pb ages indicate late-Cryogenian–Ediacaran arc-related and Rhyacian sources for all TCF sub-units. This scenario suggests that the TCF is made up of a collisional juxtaposition of an accretionary wedge (HTCF) and a back-arc basin (LTCF and MTCF) on the border of a microplate, which includes a Rhyacian basement microcontinent, the Atuba Complex. It is inferred the high metamorphic gradient recorded in the LTCF and MTCF was related with asthenospheric upwelling in the back-arc region, which also produced extensive partial melting in the Atuba Complex basement.

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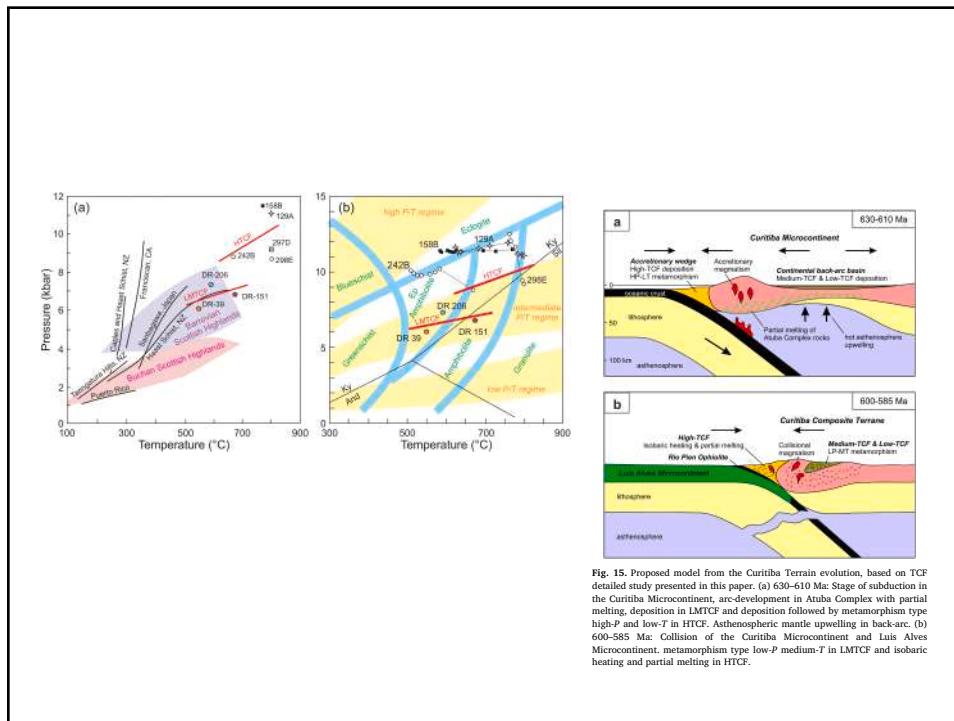


Fig. 15. Proposed model from the Curitiba Terrain evolution, based on TCF detailed study presented in this paper. (a) 630–610 Ma: Stage of subduction in the Curitiba Microcontinent, arc-development in Aniba Complex with partial melting, deposition in LMTCF and deposition followed by metamorphism type high-P and low-T in HTCF. Asthenospheric mantle upwelling in back-arc. (b) 600–585 Ma: Collision of the Curitiba Microcontinent and Luis Alves Microcontinent, metamorphism type low-P medium-T in LMTCF and isobaric heating and partial melting in HTCF.

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Granulitos

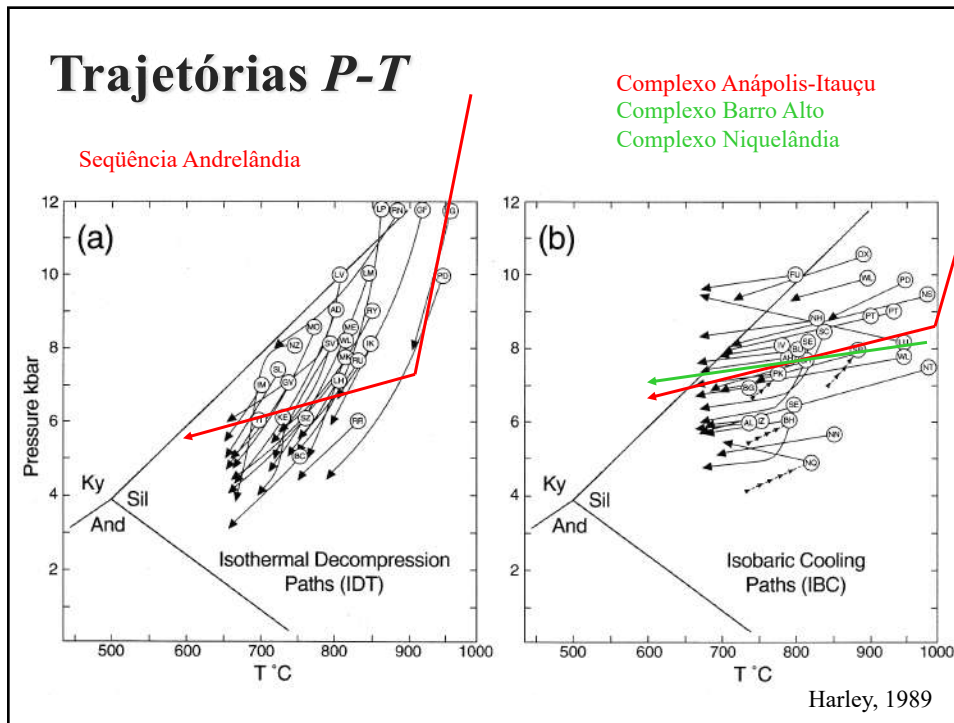
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Ambientes Tectônicos e Fontes de **Calor**

- ▶ Granulitos gravam dois tipos principais de trajetórias *P-T*:
 - IBC – resfriamento isobárico
 - ITD – descompressão isoterma
- ▶ Trajetórias ITD são parte de trajetória *P-T* horária, implicando em colisão continental (colapso orogénico?)
- ▶ Trajetórias IBC implicam em resfriamento em crosta isostaticamente estável (**não** indicam trajetórias **anti-horárias**)

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Origin and evolution of granulites in normal and thickened crusts

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ABSTRACT

Rocks buried in the upper part of a doubly thickened crust during orogeny can show prograde reactions with transitional features from lower grade rocks up to granulite facies. They can be exposed at the earth's surface within this one orogenic cycle. For example, the granulites exposed in British Columbia have concordant U/Pb zircon ages of 65–85 Ma. In contrast, rocks buried in the lower part of a thickened crust will crystallize granulites that typically show only retrograde relations with younger, lower grade rocks. At the cessation of orogeny, such rocks will undergo near-isobaric cooling from the peak metamorphism and can have very long residence times at the base of a crust of normal thickness. These granulites require a second orogeny to uplift and expose them at the surface. As an example, the Archean granulites of Enderby Land, Antarctica, were metamorphosed at 3070 Ma at 1000 °C at 8–10-kbar pressure. They then followed at least a 400 °C isobaric cooling path. They also had a prolonged residence time of 2000 m.y. near the base of the crust before uplift.

No doubt a continuum exists between these extremes, but it is proposed that many intermediate- and high-pressure granulites form in the lower parts of thickened crust and therefore require a two-stage cycle of tectonism to be uplifted and exposed at the earth's surface. Although most granulites probably form in thickened crust at active plate margins, underplating of normal (30–40-km thickness) crust by mantle melts during extension can also produce granulites. These granulites would also undergo isobaric cooling and require a later orogeny to expose them. An example is the Paleozoic Lachlan Fold Belt of eastern Australia, which has undergone only minor uplift since the major ultrametamorphism at about 400 Ma. However, isotopic, petrologic, and geochemical differences are to be expected between these extremes of granulite formation.

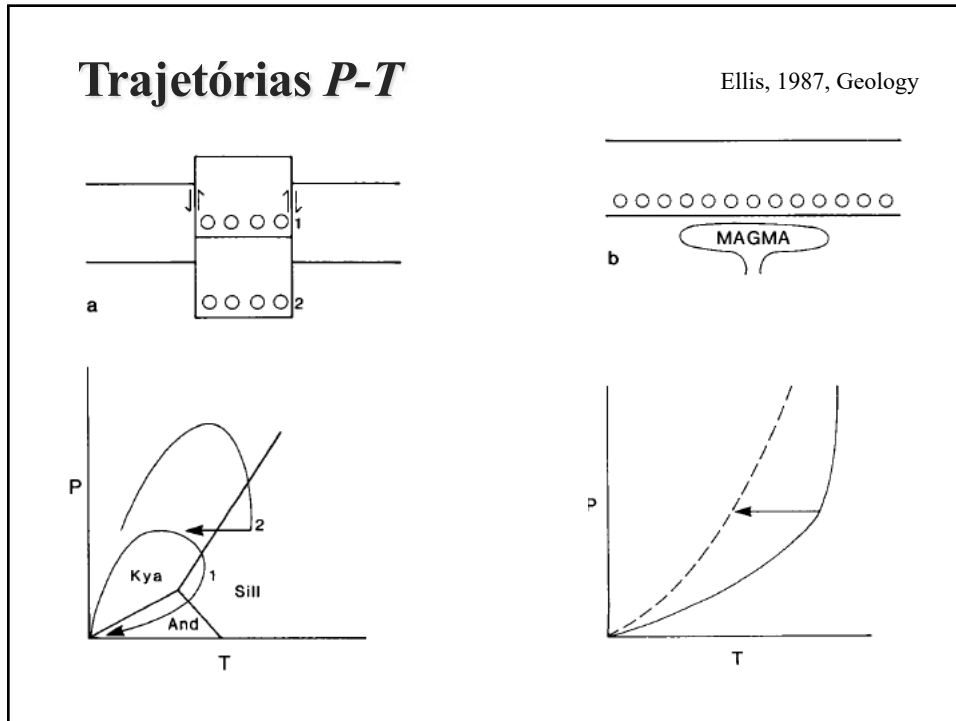
It is apparent from these observations that metamorphic rocks formed during an episode of tectonic or magmatic thickening of the crust can be exhumed by isostatic rebound during a single orogenic event. Furthermore, the minerals in such rocks can record depths of equilibration of 20–30 km and still be underlain by a similar, normal thickness of stable continental crust. This is commonly assumed to be the case for many Archean terranes and is probably true for many low-grade (greenschist-amphibolite) terranes. Windley (1981) listed examples of Phanerozoic granulites that have formed and have been uplifted in the one orogenic event.

The effects of uplift and erosion toward the end of the period of evolution of Archean structures are recorded by the occurrence of Late Archean or earliest Proterozoic cratonic cover formations resting unconformably on granites or metamorphic basement, the ages of which show that, in some instances at least, uplift had taken place within a few hundred million years of tectonic activity in the basement (Watson, 1976). In general, such basement consists of regional low-pressure greenschist-amphibolite, as in granite-greenstone terranes. However, I propose here that many granulites resided for very long periods at deep crustal levels before uplift and exposure. Many intermediate- to high-pressure granulites are not unconformably overlain by old cover formations, which could have been removed during later orogenies needed to excavate the underlying granulites.

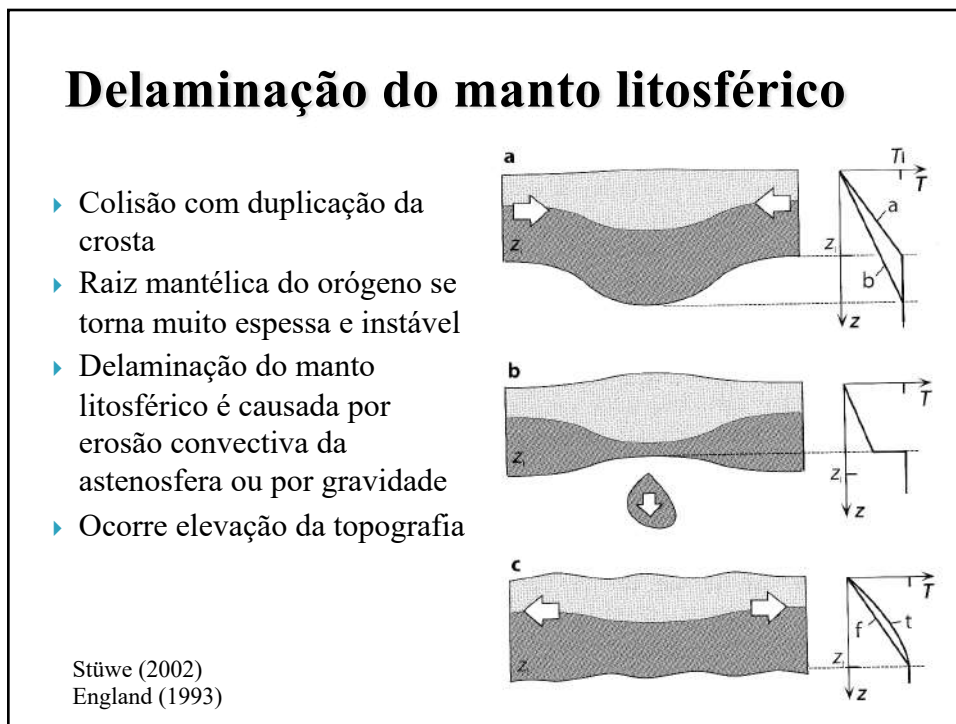
The active processes of rapid uplift of thickened crust have been used as a model for the formation of many metamorphic series. In particular, many blueschist, greenschist, and amphibolite facies series can be satisfactorily explained by the influence of erosion on the upper half of a doubly thickened crust. In thickened continental crust the principal features of pressure-temperature-time (P-T-t) paths followed by rocks after burial are a period of thermal n

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Thermal evolution and exhumation in obliquely convergent (transpressive) orogens

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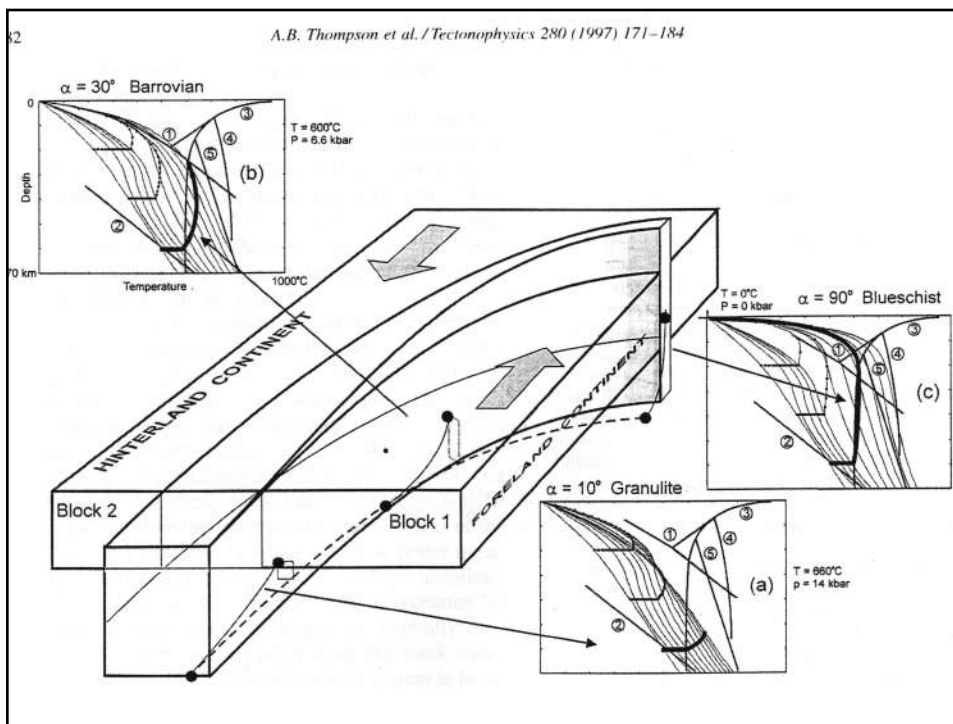
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Abstract

Most *P–T–t* path models to date have considered a linear erosion rate for exhumation from burial depth, related to isostatic readjustment of crustal thickness. A few have discussed extension-enhanced exhumation. Erosional exhumation can only restore lower crustal rocks from the thickened mountain root to their previous original depth in the pre-collisional crust. One major assumption of all models to date is that the compressive forces responsible for crustal thickening cease before elevation and erosion begins. However, compression is often still active, even if the crustal thickening has stopped. Further compression of the thickened and strongly deformed orogenic root is responsible for forceful exhumation–extrusion of softened rocks upwards. Hence, the rate of exhumation is related to the rate of convergence of colliding plates. Extrusional exhumation can elevate buried rocks to any depth depending on the action of fault-shear systems. In the extrusional exhumation models examined here, the ascending rocks cool faster because they approach the zero temperature surface conditions more rapidly than by isostatic erosion. The exhumation rate is also governed by the angle between the plate boundary and the displacement vector (α), implying that the convergent plate boundaries are regarded as complex transpressive systems in which the degree of obliquity can be expressed by the ratio of pure to simple shear components. A low ratio of pure/simple shear typical for wrench-dominated plate boundaries, implies long-distance

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Subduction zone backarcs, mobile belts, and orogenic heat

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Figure 1. The North America Cordillera mobile belt. The high elevation and complex current tectonics illustrate the hot, weak, backarc lithosphere deformed by variable margin forces.

ABSTRACT *GSA Today*, v. 15, no. 2, doi: 10.1130/1052-5175(2005)015<4:SZBMA>2.0.CO;2 not from the orogenic deformation process itself.

Two important problems of continental tectonics may be resolved by recognizing that most subduction zone backarcs have hot, thin, and weak lithospheres over considerable widths. These are (1) the origin of long-lived active "mobile belts" contrasted to the stability of cratons and platforms, and (2) the origin

INTRODUCTION

The model of plate tectonics with narrow plate boundaries provides an excellent first-order description of global tectonics. Plate tectonics also provides an elegant explanation for orogenic crustal shortening and thickening in

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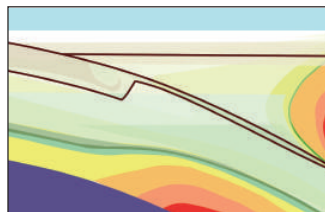
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Tectonic Consequences of a Uniformly Hot Backarc and Why Is the Cordilleran Mountain Belt High?

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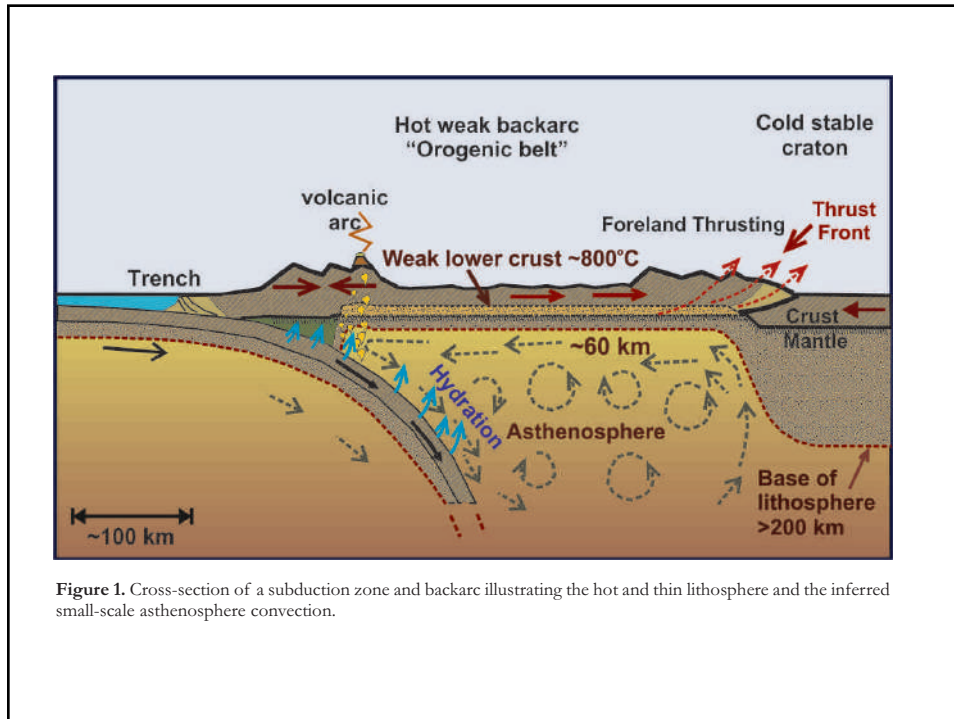
concentrated in backarcs; (3) In the Cordillera there is wide-spread sporadic 'backarc' volcanism; (4) The high temperatures result in very low strength in the lower crust that allows lower-crust detachment; (5) The lower crust weakness facilitates large-scale crustal oroclines that may be independent of the upper mantle; (6) The lower crust in the Cordillera and other backarcs is in amphibolite- to granulite-facies conditions, ~800–900°C at the Moho; (7) In ancient backarcs globally, regional Barrovian metamorphism is concluded to be the result of high temperatures that predate the orogenic collision and deformation. No "heat of orogeny" is required. Following the termination of subduction, backarcs cool with a time constant of 300–500 m.y.

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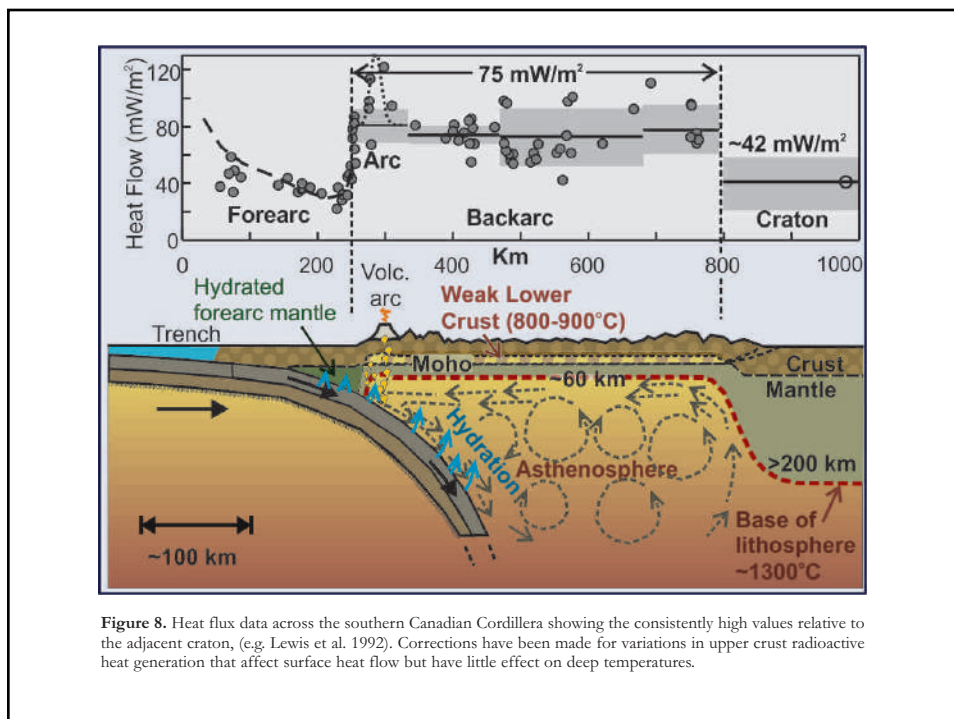
Pourquoi la chaîne de montagnes de la Cordillère nord-américaine est-elle si haute? On comprend qu'une croûte sur-épaisse puisse expliquer une grande élévation, mais voilà, la croûte de la Cordillère est mince. Il n'existe pas de racine crustale. Or, récemment, une conclusion importante s'est imposée, soit que cette haute élévation s'explique par l'expansion thermique plutôt que par l'existence d'une croûte sur-épaisse. L'élévation de la Cordillère n'est qu'une des conséquences d'une Cordillère uniformément chaude flottant sur une lithosphère mince, caractéristiques communes aux zones d'arrière-arc actuelles ou récentes. Quelques unes des autres conséquences de cette haute température, par opposition aux froids cratons adjacents, comprennent: (1) La Cordillère et d'autres zones d'arrière-arc sont des zones chaudes et facilement déformables par les forces tectoniques ambiantes, contrairement aux cratons sta-

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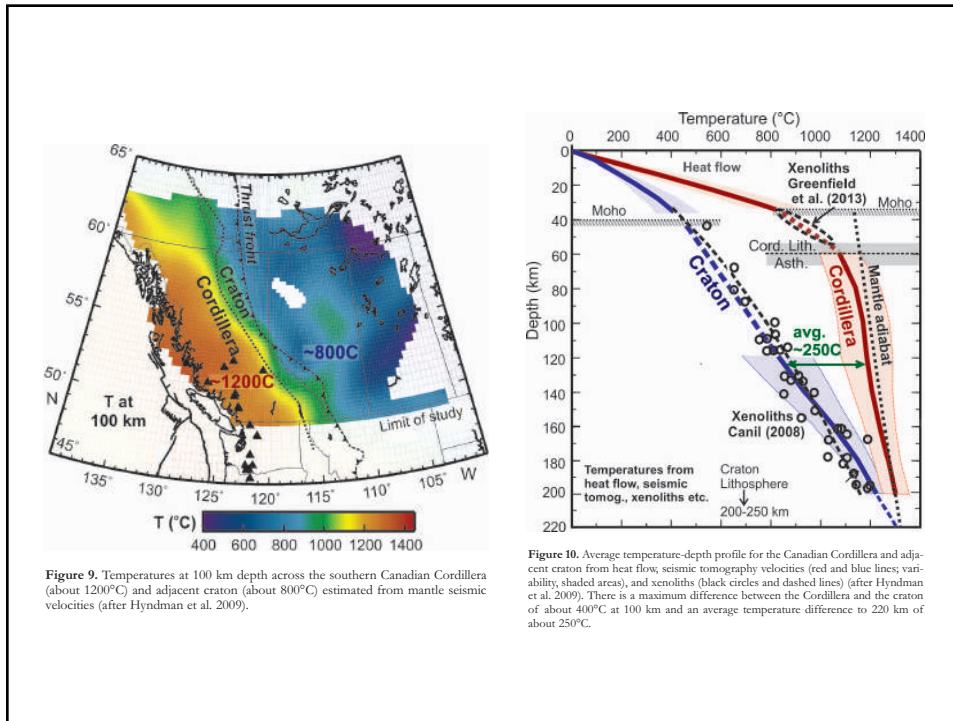
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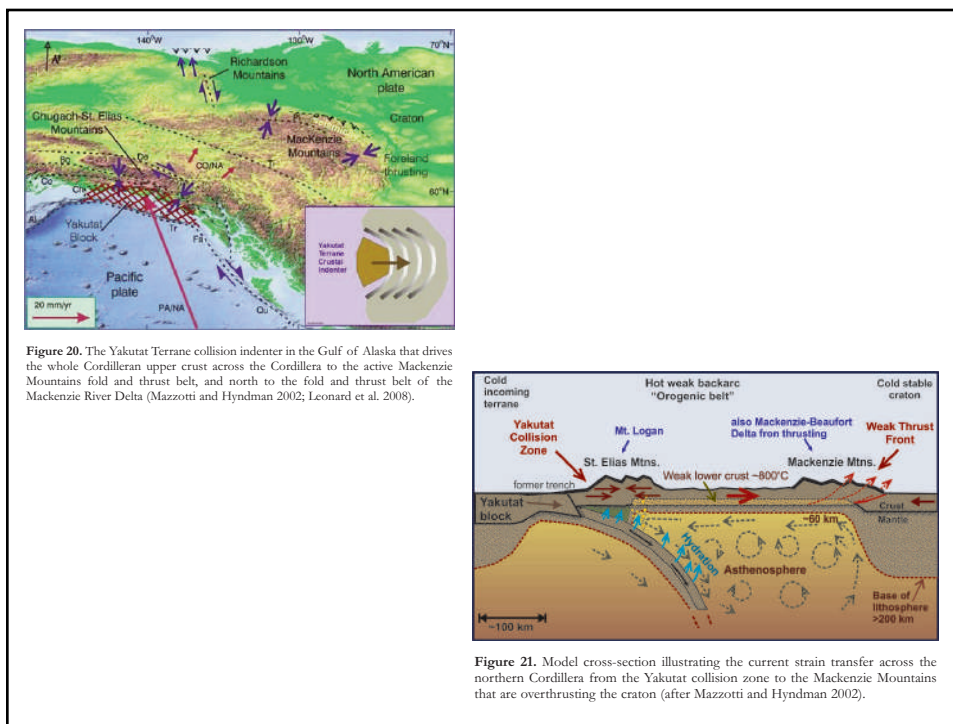
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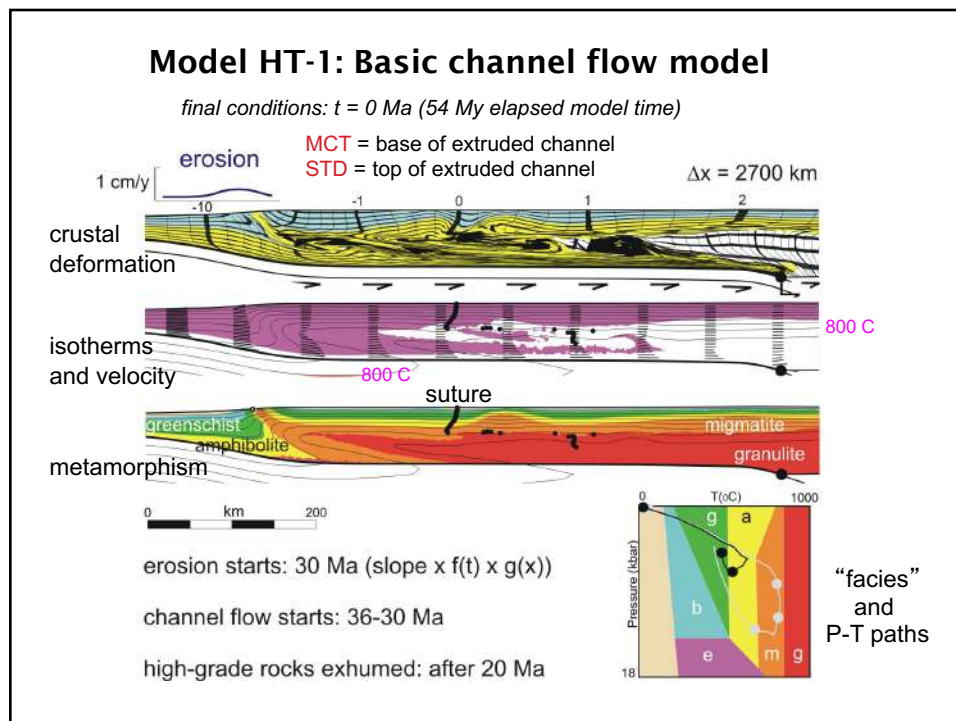
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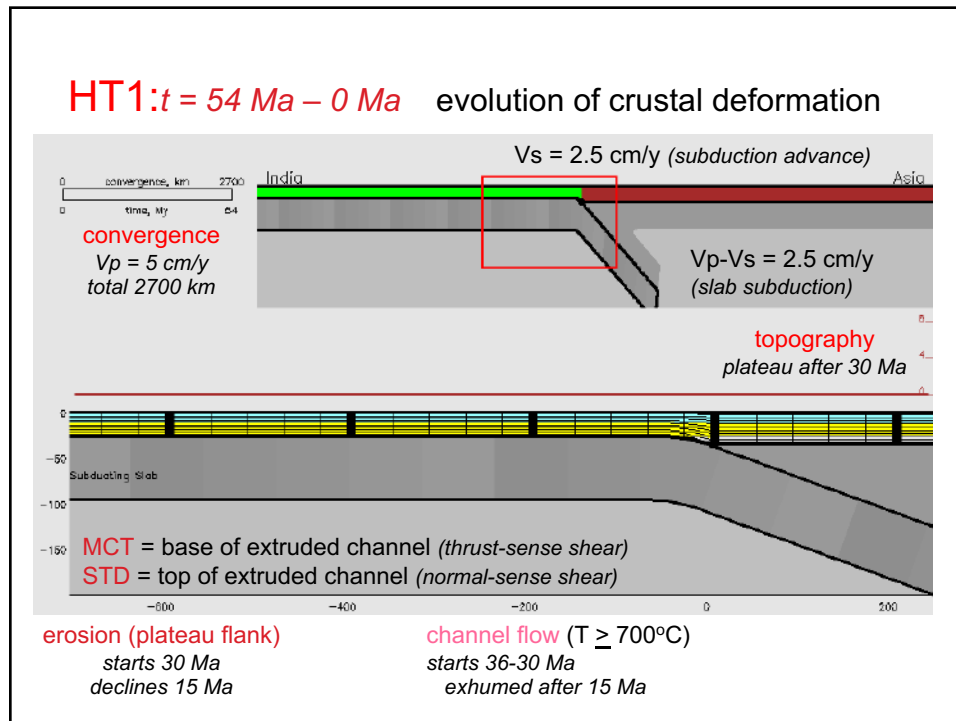
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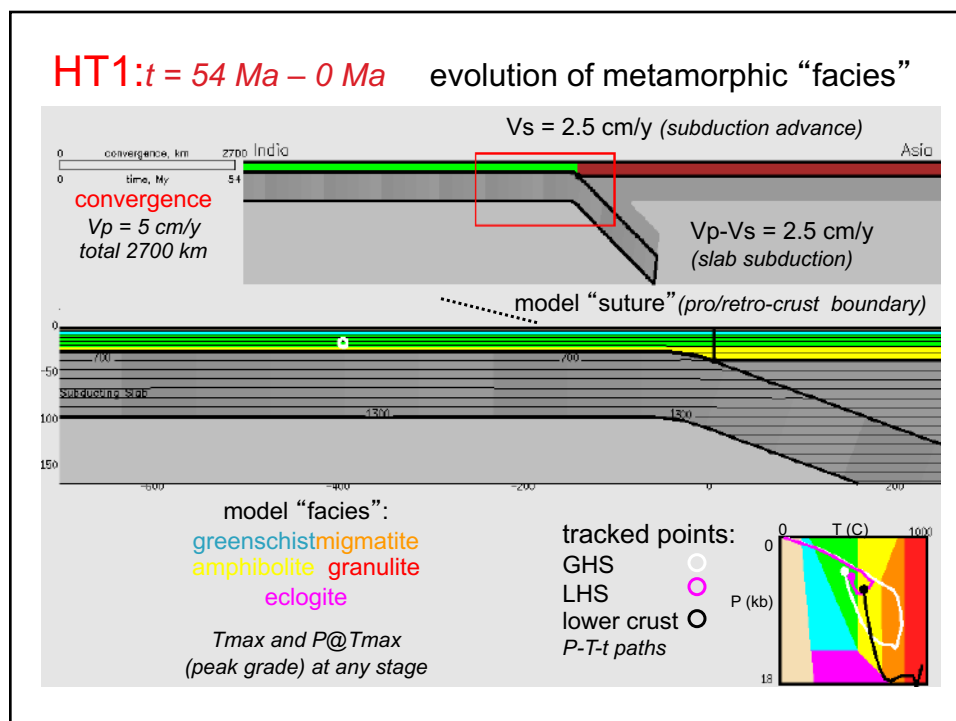
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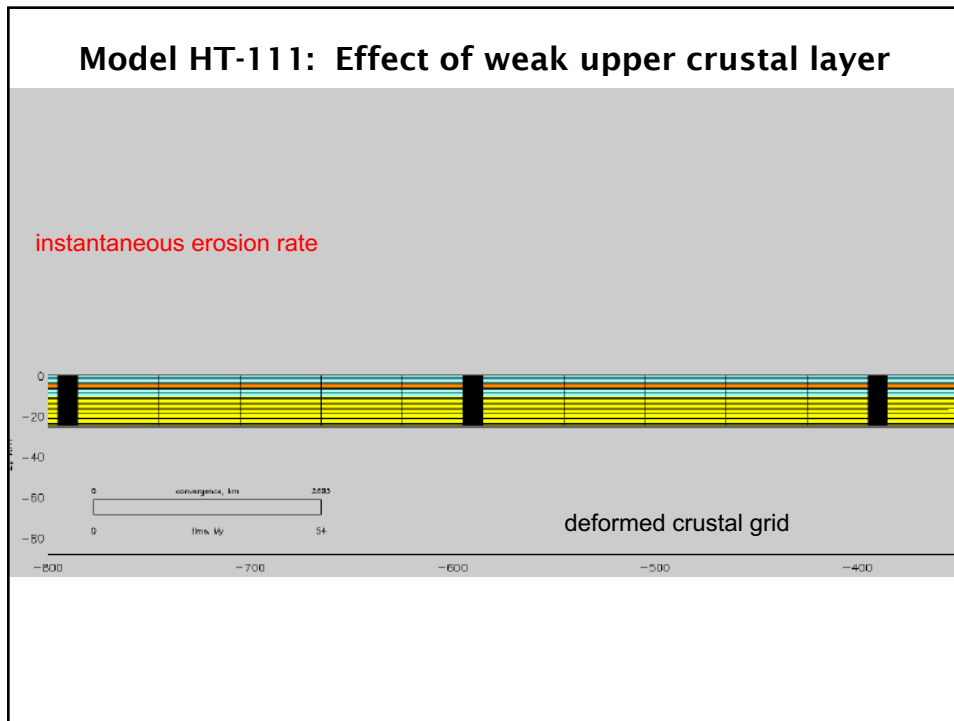
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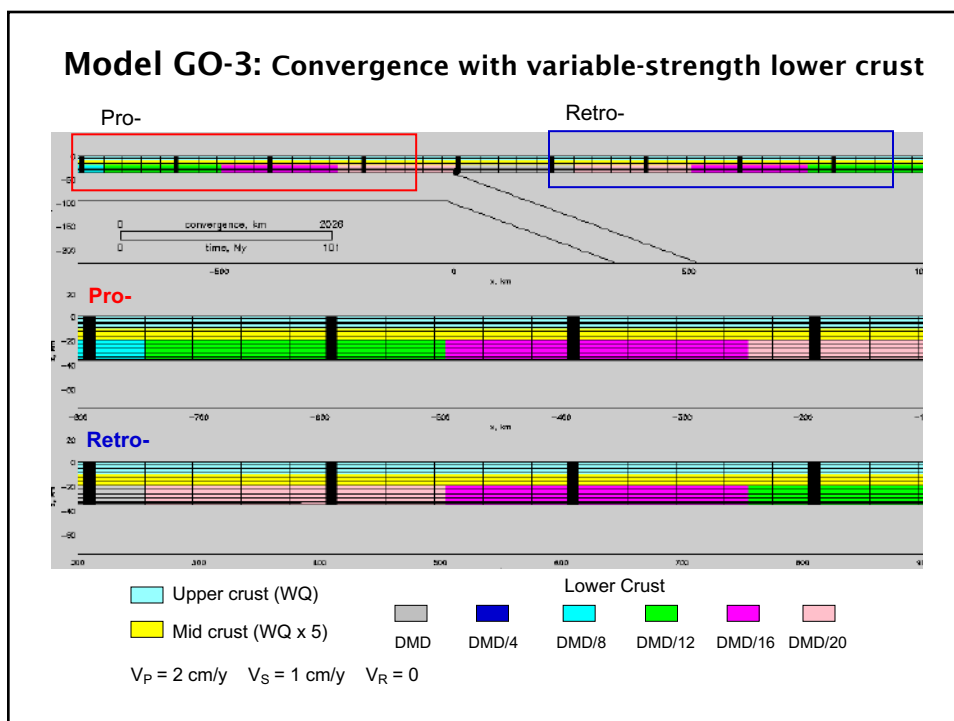
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How Does the Continental Crust Get Really Hot?

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There is widespread evidence that ultrahigh temperatures of 900–1000 °C have been generated in the Earth's crust repeatedly in time and space. These temperatures were associated with thickened crust in collisional mountain belts and the production of large volumes of magma. Numerical modelling indicates that a long-lived mountain plateau with high internal concentrations of heat-producing elements and low erosion rates is the most likely setting for such extreme conditions. Preferential thickening of already-hot back-arc basins and mechanical heating by deformation in ductile shear zones might also contribute to elevated temperatures.

Keywords: metamorphism, ultrahigh temperature, heat production, mountain belt, thermal modelling

INTRODUCTION

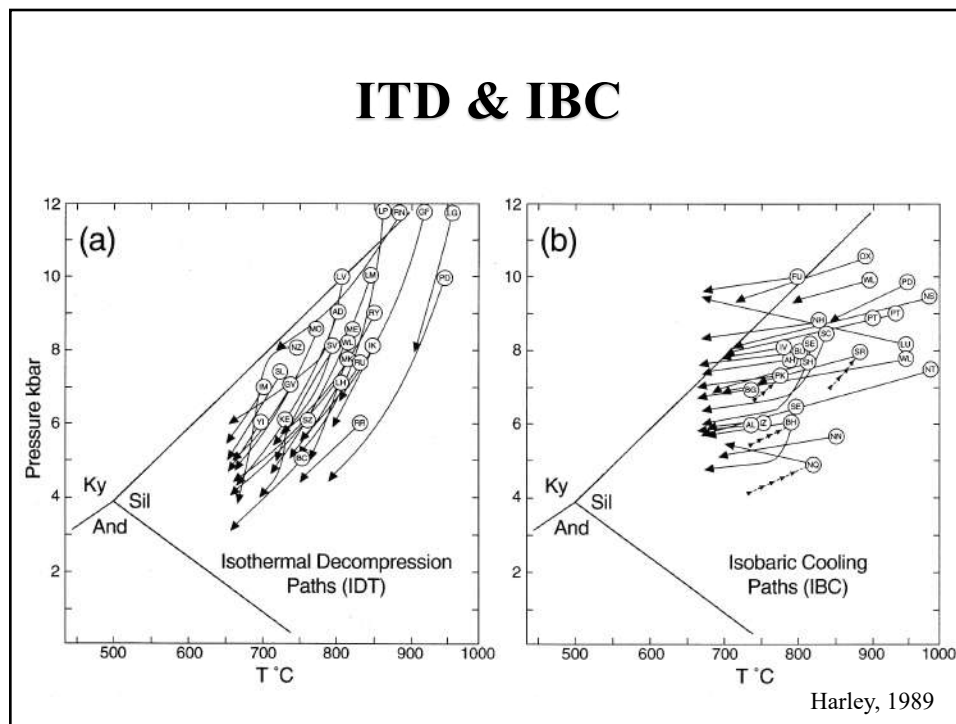
Evidence for the pressure-temperature (*P-T*) conditions under which Earth's crust has generated large volumes of magma is provided by metamorphic rocks that represent the solidification of magmatic liquids. Many of these rocks

and pressures of 0.7 to 1.3 GPa. Brown (2006) proposed a revised upper pressure limit equivalent to a *P/T* gradient of 750 °C GPa⁻¹, close to the kyanite-sillimanite reaction boundary (Fig. 1a). The lower temperature limit of 900 °C is somewhat arbitrary, but it places the onset of UHT metamorphism beyond the conditions at which many crustal rocks start to melt, a process that represents a significant barrier to the attainment of higher temperatures.

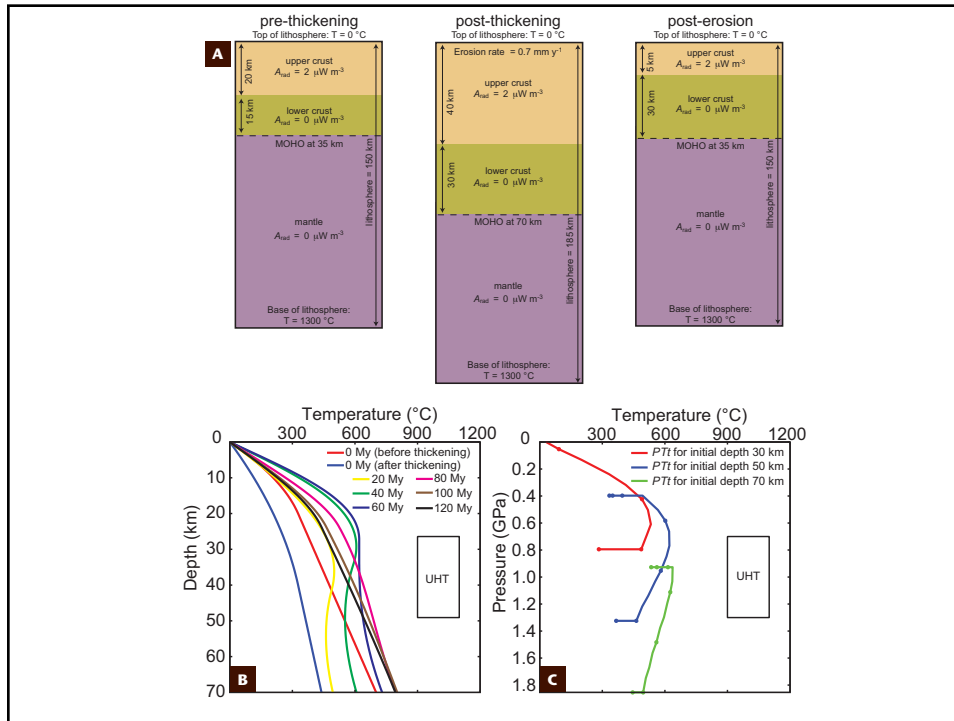
Recognition of UHT metamorphism is problematic because few rocks develop diagnostic minerals at these conditions and widespread chemical equilibration during cooling makes temperature estimates based on mineral composition unreliable. Although rare

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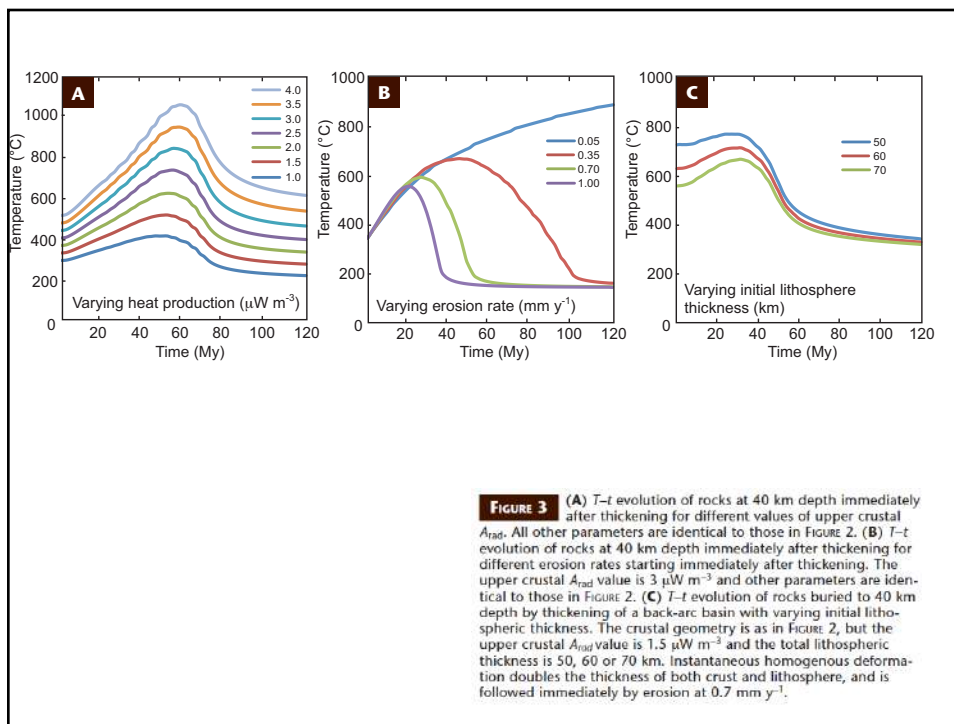
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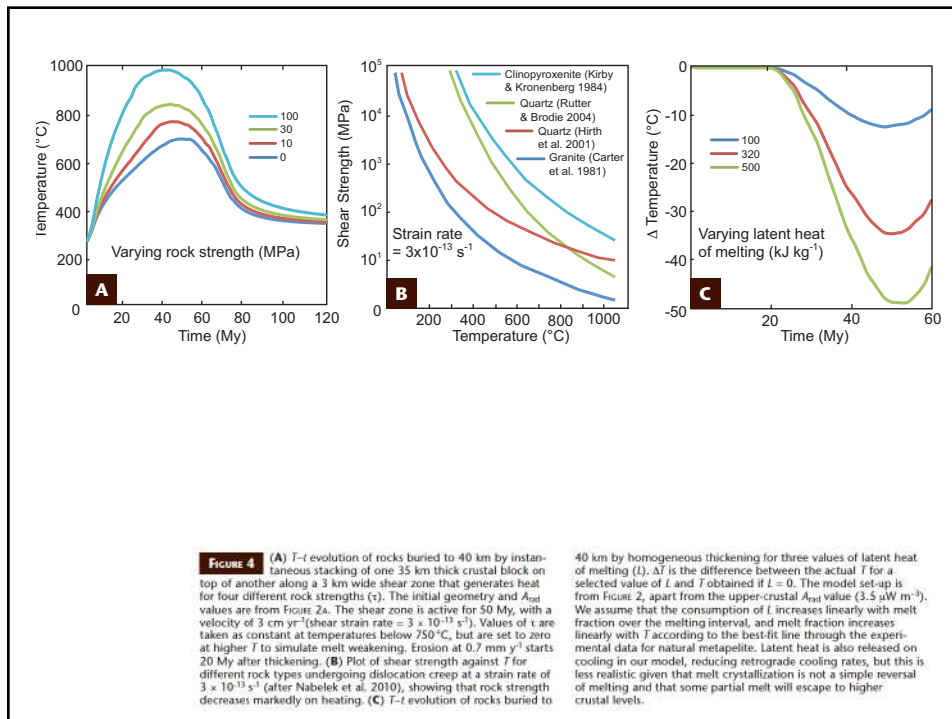
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UHT – de onde vem o calor?

- ▶ As fontes de calor não foram entendidas
- ▶ As rochas que perderam fundido são mais suscetíveis a alcançarem condições UHT
- ▶ Alta concentração de elementos produtores de calor, com colisão continental, fechamento de bacias back-arc ou calor astenosférico são ambientes favoráveis
- ▶ Trajetórias ITD ocorrem quando as forças tectônicas de convergência não suportam o potencial gravitacional da cadeia de montanhas

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A matter of time: The importance of the duration of UHT metamorphism

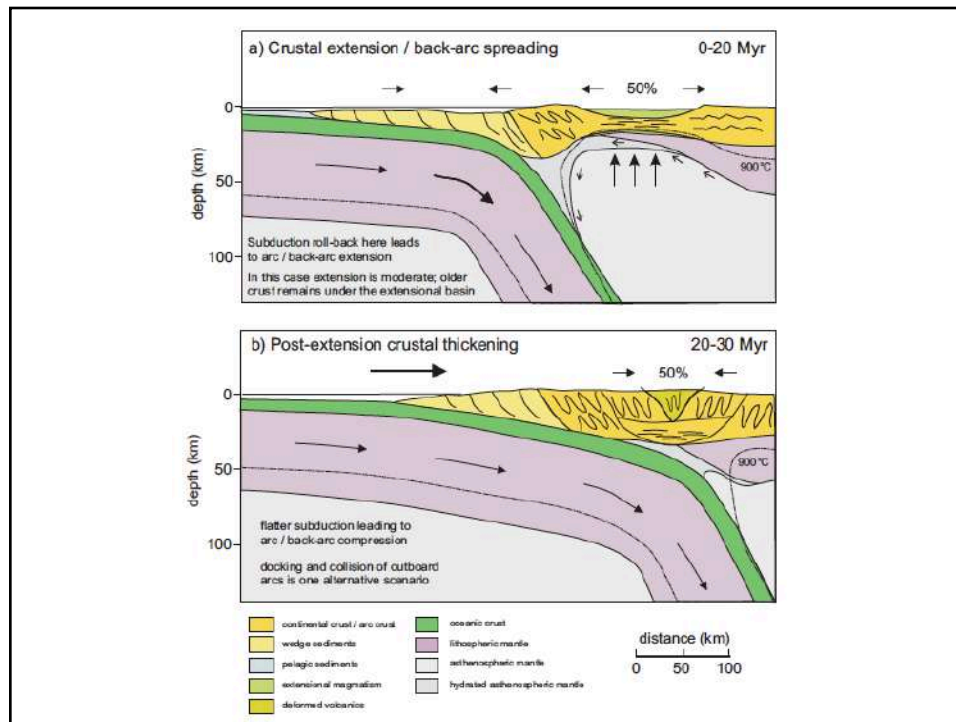
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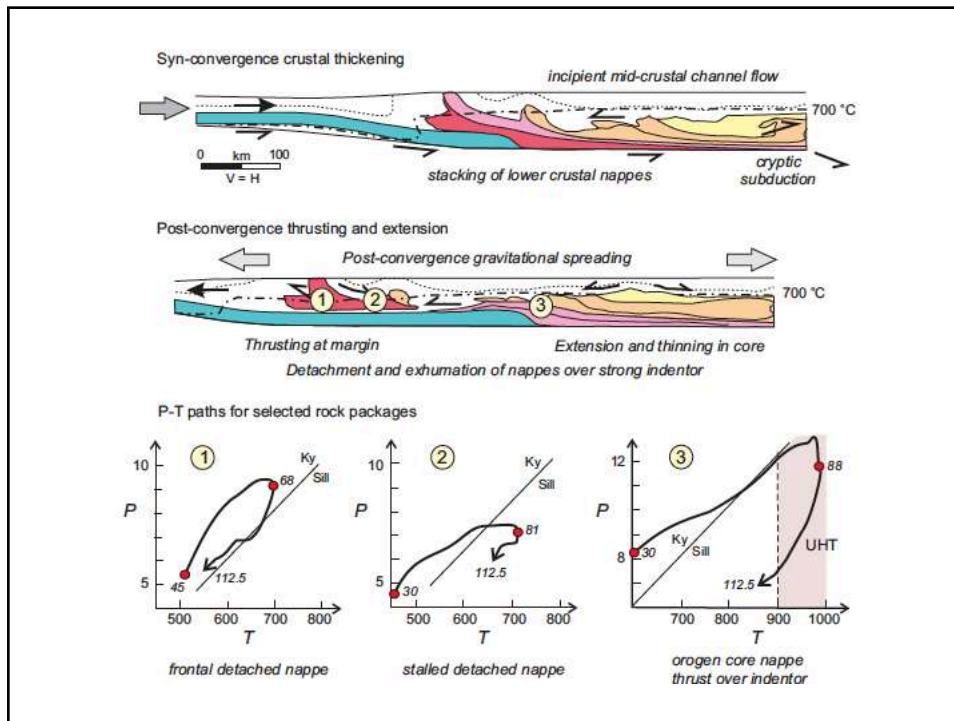
The duration of granitic (G) and ultra-high temperature (UHT) conditions in regional metamorphism is critical to arguments regarding the tectonic settings of granulites and their relationships to Supercontinent assembly. Analysis of zircon geochronology integrated with trace element (REE) constraints on the timing of zircon growth or modification and evidence for metamorphic temperatures from Ti-in-zircon reveals that zircon can form episodically at or near the metamorphic peak in long-lived UHT granulites. This reflects the segregation, transfer and stagnation or trapping of melts which leads to local melt-rock interactions that promotes zircon crystallisation. In contrast, although rutile can retain UHT information in short duration ('fast') G-UHT terrains it is afflicted by Zr loss in long duration ('slow') terrains and yields temperatures significantly lower than those preserved by zircons formed in the same G-UHT events. An assessment of the age-duration evidence from several well-documented G-UHT terrains reveals that most are 'slow', having durations of UHT, Δt_{900} , in the range 30-100 Myr. Some UHT terrains previously considered to be short-lived ($\Delta t_{900} < 10$ Myr) have longer durations of UHT in the light of recent geochronology and hence are also classed as 'slow'. Of the models proposed to account for UHT metamorphism, the 'large hot orogen' (LHO) model for collisional orogeny provides the best setting for the formation of such 'slow' UHT granulites. LHO models can account not only for the *P-T* paths, which can range from UHT with near-isothermal decompression (UHT-ITD) through to decompression-cooling and UHT followed by near-isobaric cooling (UHT-IBC), but also for residence times under UHT conditions. The Napier Complex, the Earth's premier UHT terrain, probably formed as trapped deep crust in the hot underbelly of a late-Archaean LHO. Shorter duration UHT and near-UHT granulites also exist, mostly with Δt_{900} less than 10 Myr. A number of these are likely to have formed as a consequence of severe lithospheric thinning and crustal extension accompanied by voluminous magmatism, which could occur in arc and back-arc settings affected by subduction roll-back or, as advocated by previous workers, continental arc undergoing extension. However, attaining long-lived UHT conditions in these settings is unlikely unless the crust has inherently high radioactive heat production in addition to the transient heat added during extension and magmatism.

Keywords: Ultrahigh temperature (UHT) metamorphism, U-Pb geochronology, Zircon, Monazite, Large Hot Orogen, Napier Complex

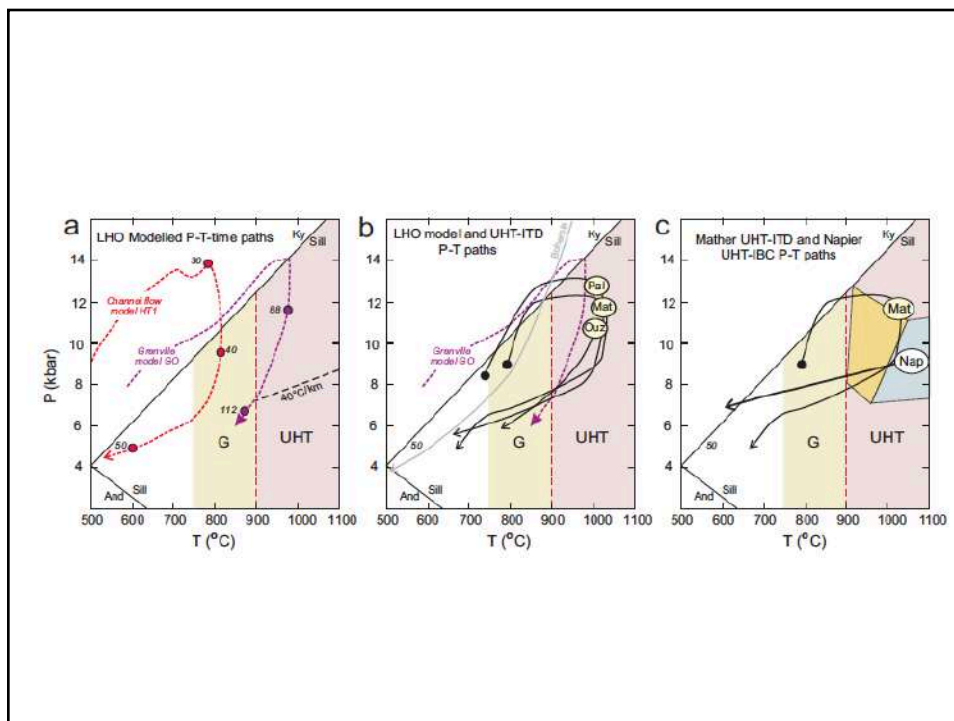
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Conclusões

- ▶ Metamorfismo em condições da fácies G e G-UHT ocorrem em intervalos de tempo relativamente curtos ~10 My até 30 a 100 My
- ▶ Ambientes favoráveis podem ocorrer em bacias tipo *back arc* ou arcos com extensão, envolvendo magmatismo e, nesses casos, não deve ocorrer metamorfismo muito prolongado
- ▶ O metamorfismo prolongado deve estar associado à colisão continental em orógenos grandes e super quentes

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Secular change in metamorphism and the onset of global plate tectonics

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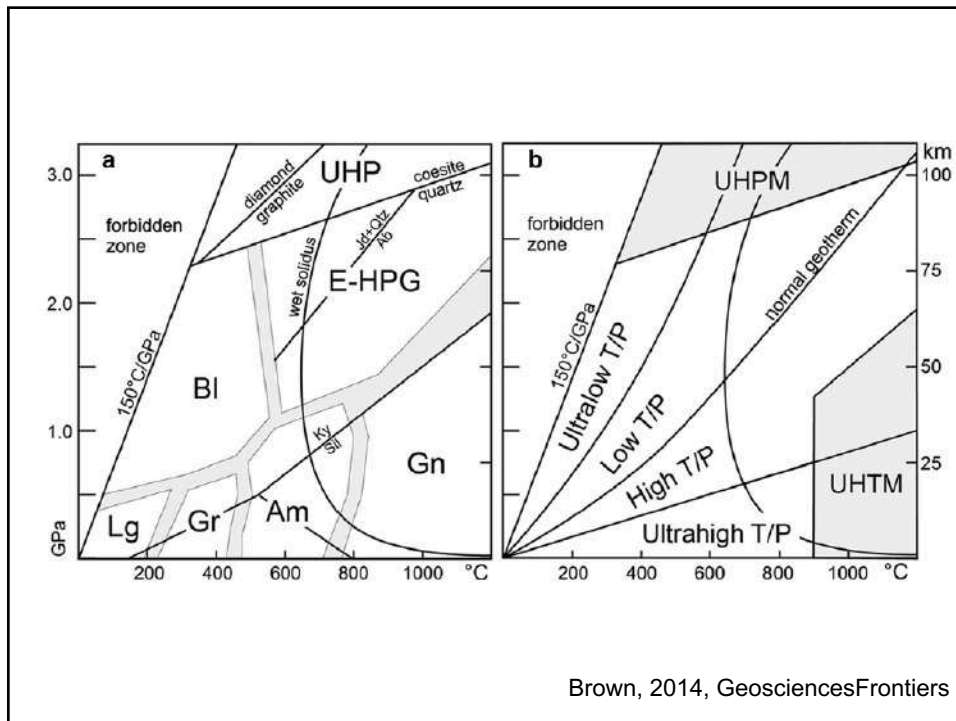
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ABSTRACT

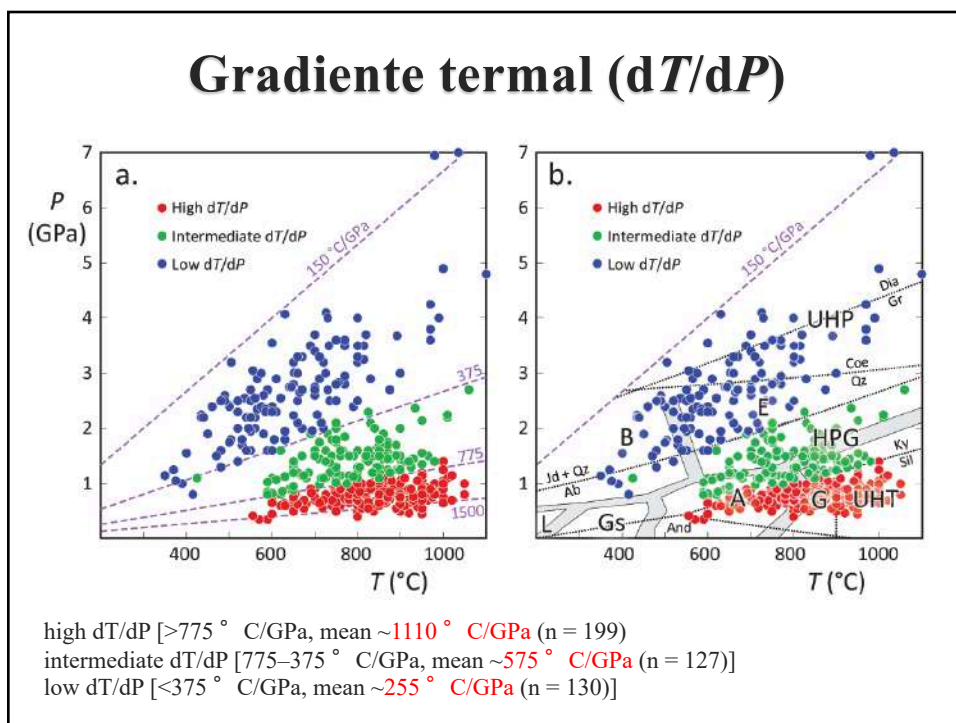
On the contemporary Earth, distinct plate tectonic settings are characterized by differences in heat flow that are recorded in metamorphic rocks as differences in apparent thermal gradients. In this study we compile thermal gradients (defined as temperature/pressure (*T/P*) at the metamorphic peak) and ages of metamorphism (defined as the timing of the metamorphic peak) for 456 localities from the Eoarchean to Cenozoic Eras to test the null hypothesis that thermal gradients of metamorphism through time did not vary outside of the range expected for each of these distinct plate tectonic settings. Based on thermal gradients, metamorphic rocks are classified into three natural groups: high *dT/dP* [~ 775 °C/GPa, mean ~ 1110 °C/GPa ($n = 199$) (ana-), intermediate *dT/dP* [775–375 °C/GPa, mean ~ 578 °C/GPa ($n = 127$)], and low *dT/dP* [~ 375 °C/GPa, mean ~ 255 °C/GPa ($n = 130$)] metamorphism. Plots of *T*, *P*, and *T/P* against age demonstrate the widespread occurrence of two contrasting types of metamorphism—high *dT/dP* and intermediate *dT/dP*—in the rock record by the Neoproterozoic, the widespread occurrence of low *dT/dP* metamorphism in the rock record by the end of the Neoproterozoic, and a maximum in the thermal gradients for high *dT/dP* metamorphism during the period 2.3 to 0.85 Ga. These observations falsify the null hypothesis and support the alternative hypothesis that changes in thermal gradients evident in the metamorphic rock record were related to changes in geodynamic regime. Based on the observed secular changes, we postulate that the Earth has evolved through three geodynamic cycles since the Mesoproterozoic and has just entered a fourth. Cycle I began with the widespread appearance of paired metamorphism in the rock record, which was coeval with the amalgamation of widely dispersed blocks of protocontinental lithosphere into supercontinents, and was terminated by the progressive fragmentation of the supercontinents into protocontinents during the Siderian–Rhyolitic (2.5 to 2.05 Ga). Cycle II commenced with the progressive reamalgamation of these protocontinents into the supercontinent Columbia and extended until the breakup of the supercontinent Rodinia in the Tonian (1.0 to 0.72 Ga). Thermal gradients of high *dT/dP* metamorphism rose around 2.3 Ga leading to a thermal maximum in the mid-Mesoproterozoic, reflecting insulation of the mantle beneath the quasi-integral continental lithosphere of Columbia, prior to the geographical reorganization of Columbia into Rodinia. This cycle coincides with the age span of most anorogenic magmatism on Earth and a scarcity of passive margins in the geological record. Intriguingly, the volume of preserved continental crust of Neoproterozoic age is low relative to the Paleoproterozoic and Neoproterozoic Eras. These features are consistent with a relatively stable association of continental lithosphere between the assembly of Columbia and the breakup of Rodinia. The transition to Cycle III during the Tonian is marked by a steep decline in the thermal gradients of high *dT/dP* metamorphism to their lowest values and the appearance of low *dT/dP* metamorphism in the rock record. Again, thermal gradients for high *dT/dP* metamorphism show a rise to a peak at the end of the Variscides during the formation of Pangea, before another steep decline associated with the breakup of Pangea and the start of a fourth cycle at ca. 0.175 Ga. Although the mechanism by which subduction started and plate boundaries evolved remains uncertain, based on the widespread record of paired metamorphism in the Neoproterozoic we posit that plate tectonics was established globally during the late Mesoproterozoic. During the Neoproterozoic there was a change to deep subduction and colder thermal gradients, features characteristic of the modern plate tectonic regime.

Keywords: *P-T*-age of metamorphism, thermal gradients, subduction, geodynamic cycles, blueschist, eclogite. Invited Centennial article. Review article.

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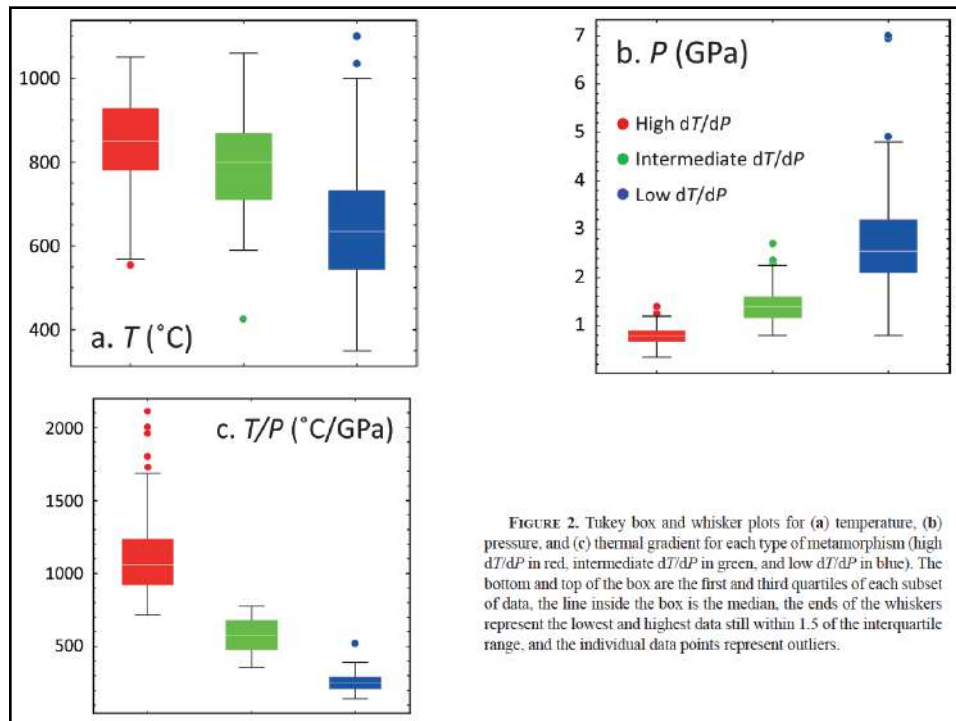


FIGURE 2. Tukey box and whisker plots for (a) temperature, (b) pressure, and (c) thermal gradient for each type of metamorphism (high dT/dP in red, intermediate dT/dP in green, and low dT/dP in blue). The bottom and top of the box are the first and third quartiles of each subset of data, the line inside the box is the median, the ends of the whiskers represent the lowest and highest data still within 1.5 of the interquartile range, and the individual data points represent outliers.

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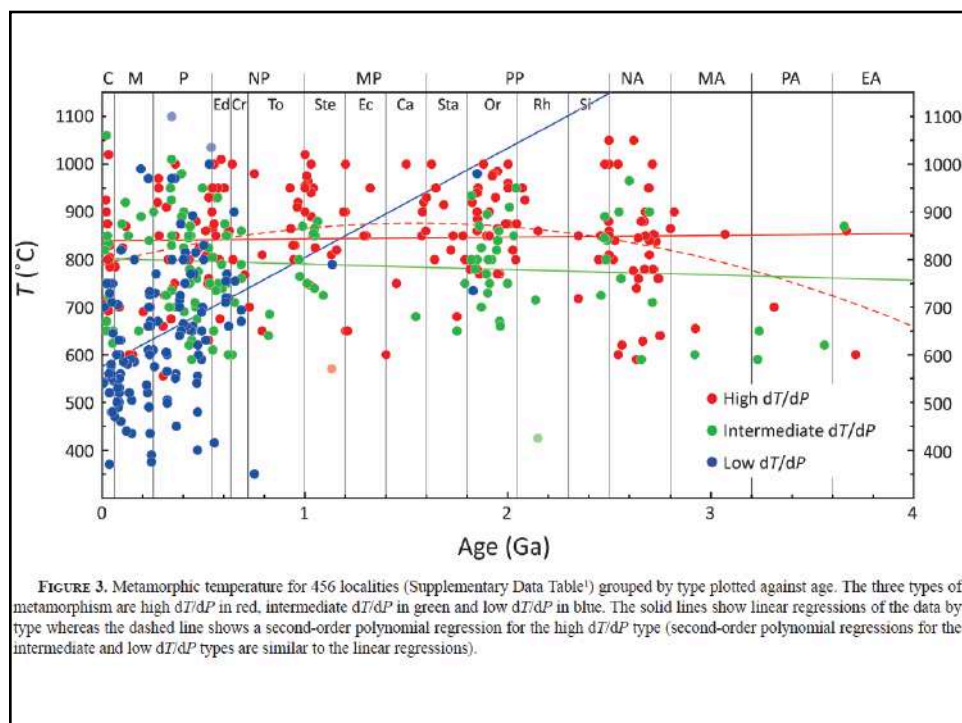


FIGURE 3. Metamorphic temperature for 456 localities (Supplementary Data Table¹) grouped by type plotted against age. The three types of metamorphism are high dT/dP in red, intermediate dT/dP in green and low dT/dP in blue. The solid lines show linear regressions of the data by type whereas the dashed line shows a second-order polynomial regression for the high dT/dP type (second-order polynomial regressions for the intermediate and low dT/dP types are similar to the linear regressions).

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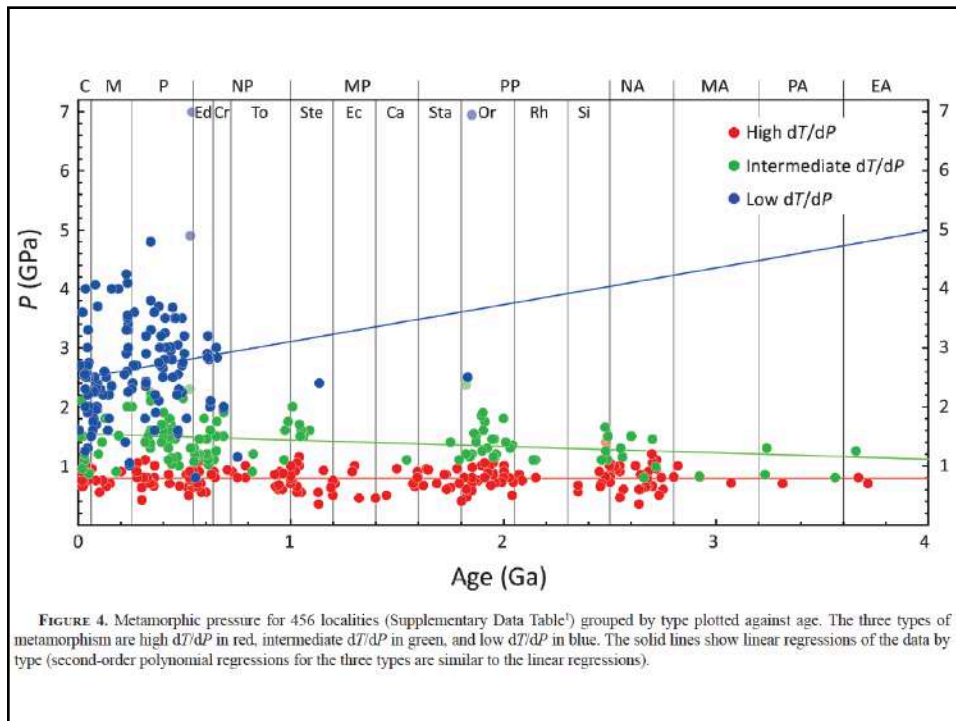


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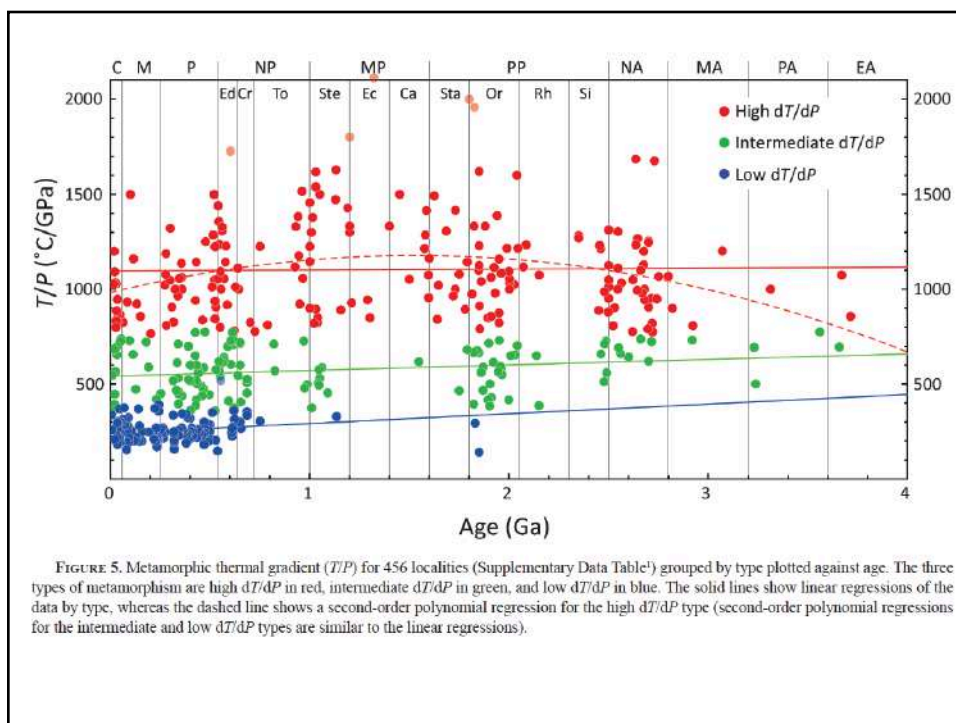
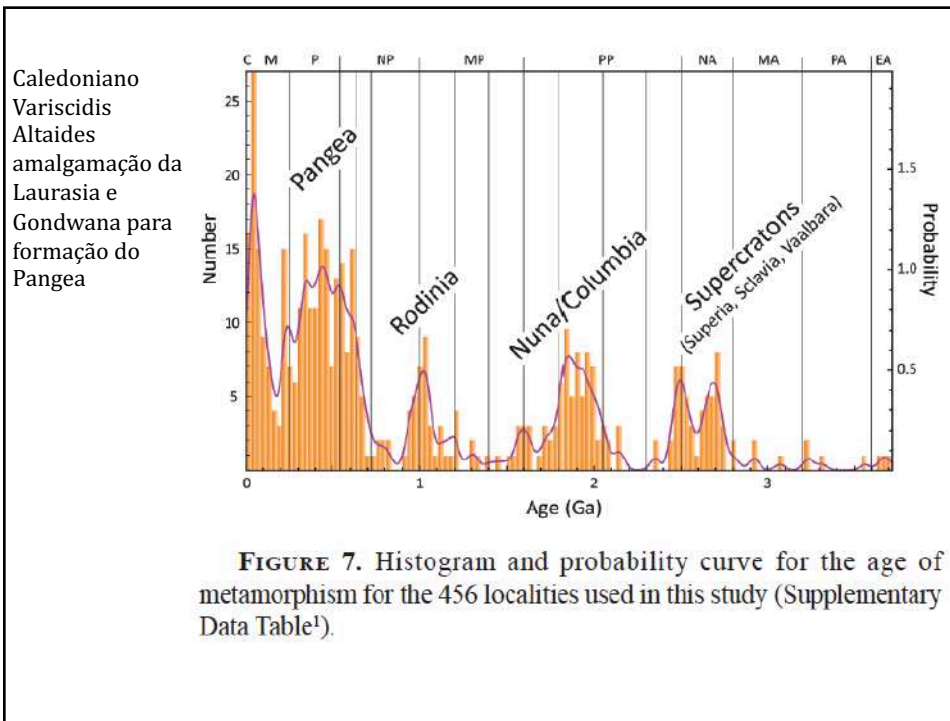
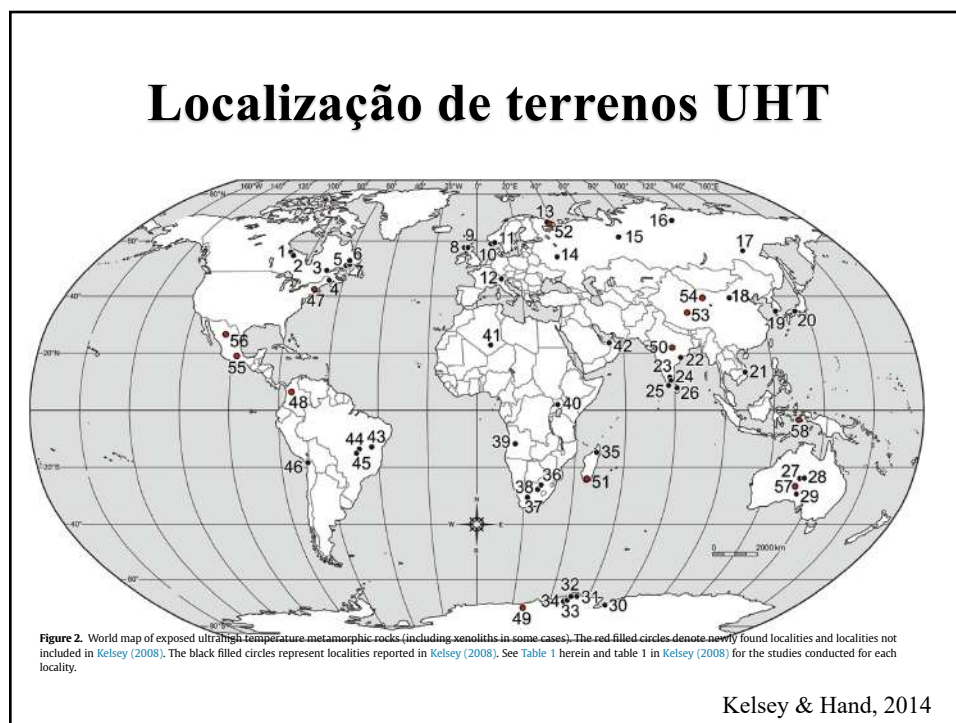


FIGURE 5. Metamorphic thermal gradient (T/P) for 456 localities (Supplementary Data Table¹) grouped by type plotted against age. The three types of metamorphism are high dT/dP in red, intermediate dT/dP in green, and low dT/dP in blue. The solid lines show linear regressions of the data by type, whereas the dashed line shows a second-order polynomial regression for the high dT/dP type (second-order polynomial regressions for the intermediate and low dT/dP types are similar to the linear regressions).

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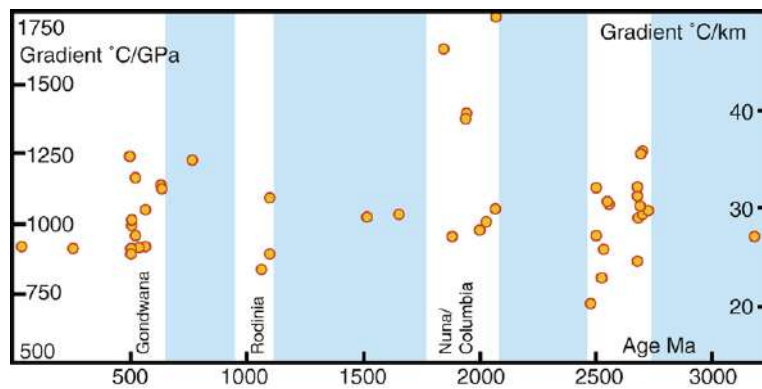


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Distribuição de idades rochas UHT



Kelsey 2008

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Baixa dT/dP , zonas de subducção e trajetórias P - T

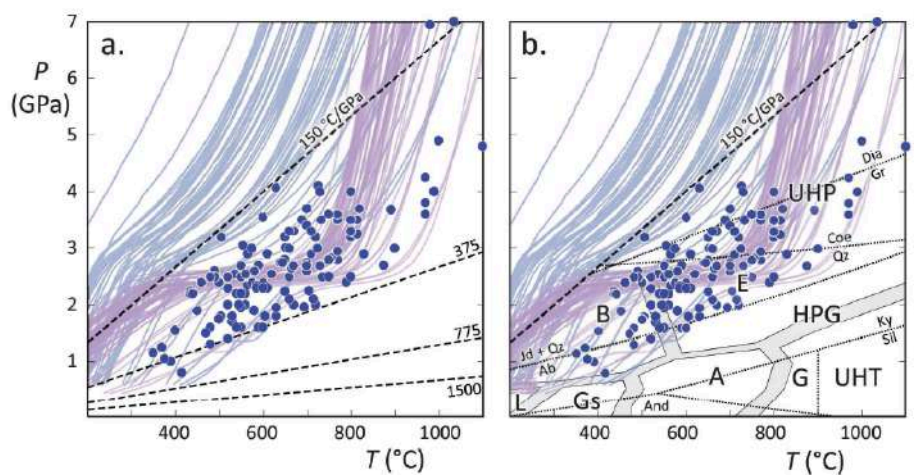


FIGURE 8. P - T conditions for low dT/dP metamorphism compared to subduction zone P - T paths for close to the top of the subducting slab (150 m depth; purple) and close to the Moho (6.5 km depth; blue) for active subduction zones (Syracuse et al. 2010; updated by P. van Keken, personal communication 2016). The fields for the four representative thermal gradients (a) and the standard metamorphic facies (b) are from Figure 1.

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Idade vs. gradiente termal

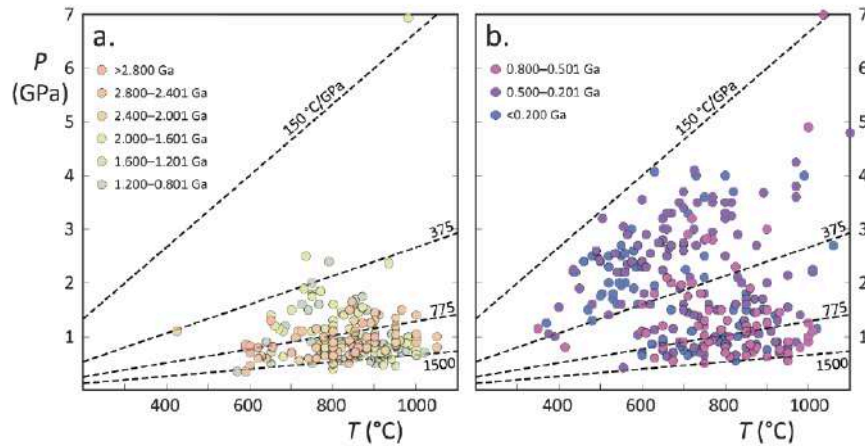


FIGURE 9. P - T conditions of metamorphism for 456 localities (Supplementary Data Table¹) grouped by age. (a) >0.800 Ga grouped as follows >2.800 , 2.800 - 2.401 , 2.400 - 2.001 , 2.000 - 1.601 , 1.600 - 1.201 , and 1.200 - 0.801 Ga, and (b) <0.800 Ga grouped as follows 0.800 - 0.501 , 0.500 - 0.201 , and <0.200 Ga, with four representative thermal gradients for reference from Figure 1a.

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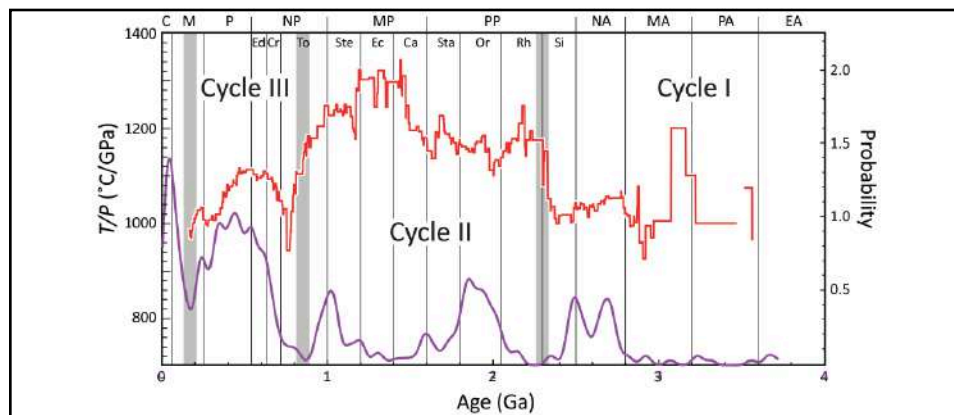


FIGURE 10. Moving mean of the thermal gradient for high dT/dP metamorphism (from Fig. 6) and probability curve for the age distribution of metamorphism (from Fig. 7). The three cycles are discussed in the text.

Ciclo 1 – começam os 2 tipos contrastantes de metamorfismo
 - amalgamação de terrenos litosféricos continentais em supercratons
 - manto começa a esfriar e o fluxo de calor total da superfície excede a produção interna de calor

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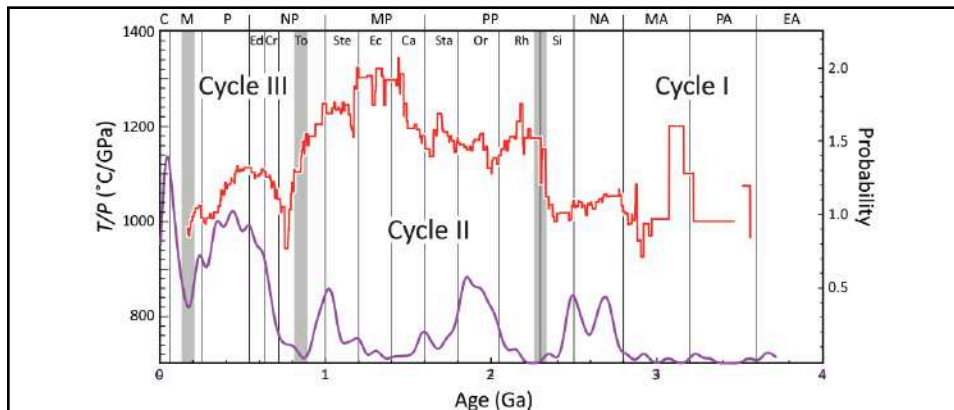
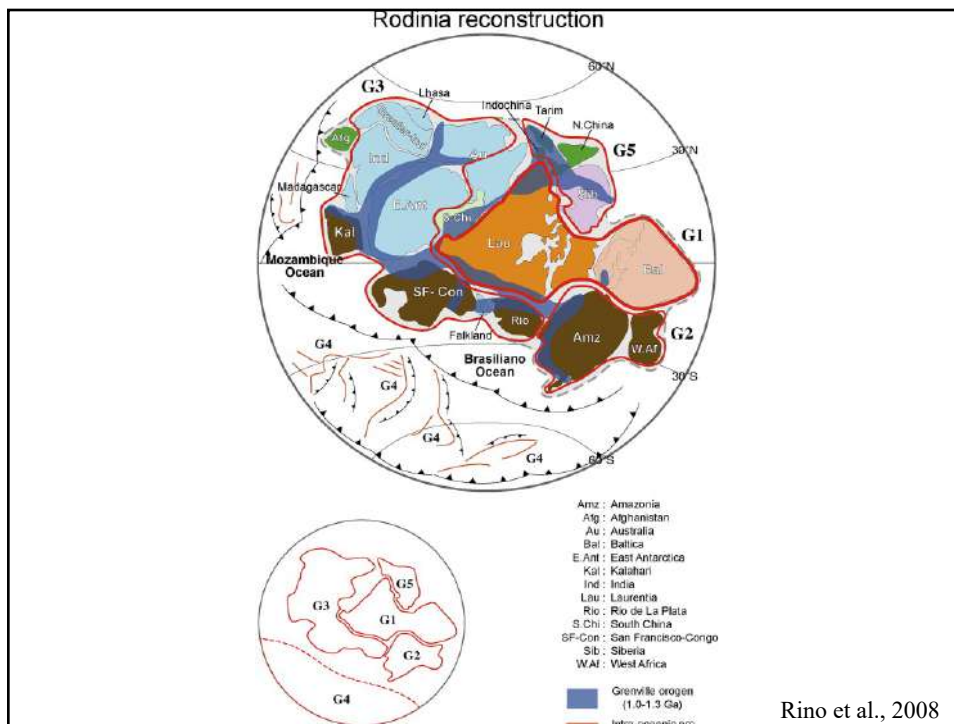


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Ciclo 2 – re-amalgamação dos protocontinentes em supercontinentes (Columbia/Nuna no Paleoproterozoico Médio e depois Rodinia no Toniano)
 - gradiente termal alto dT/dP chega ao máximo no Mezoproterozoico
 - 1.9 – 1.0 magmatismo anorogênico

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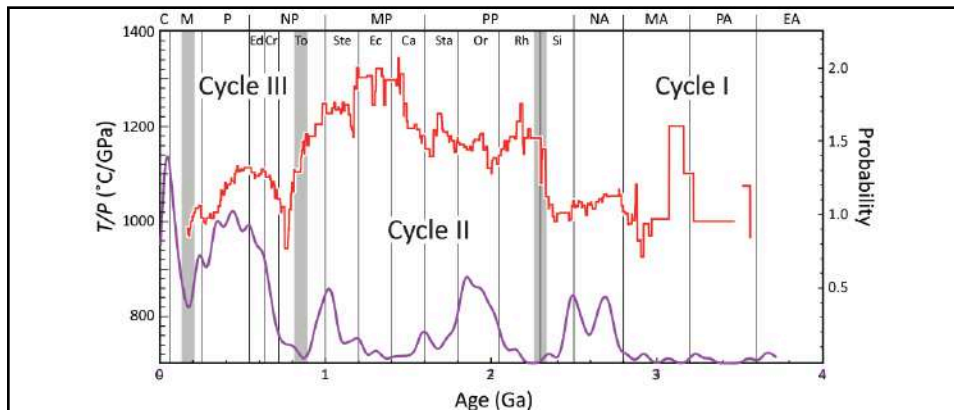
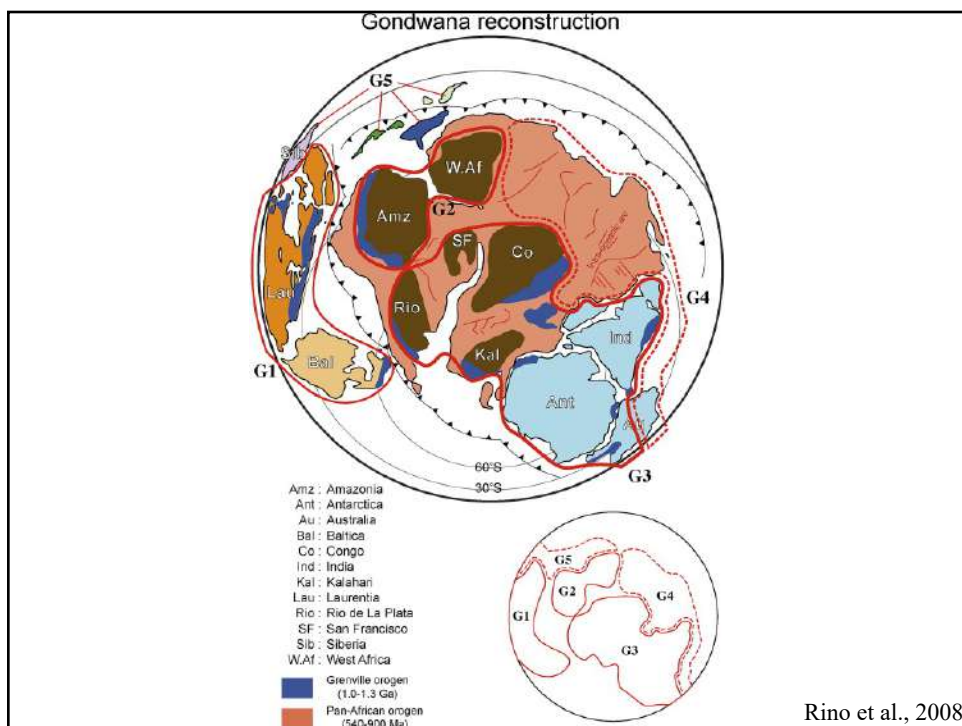


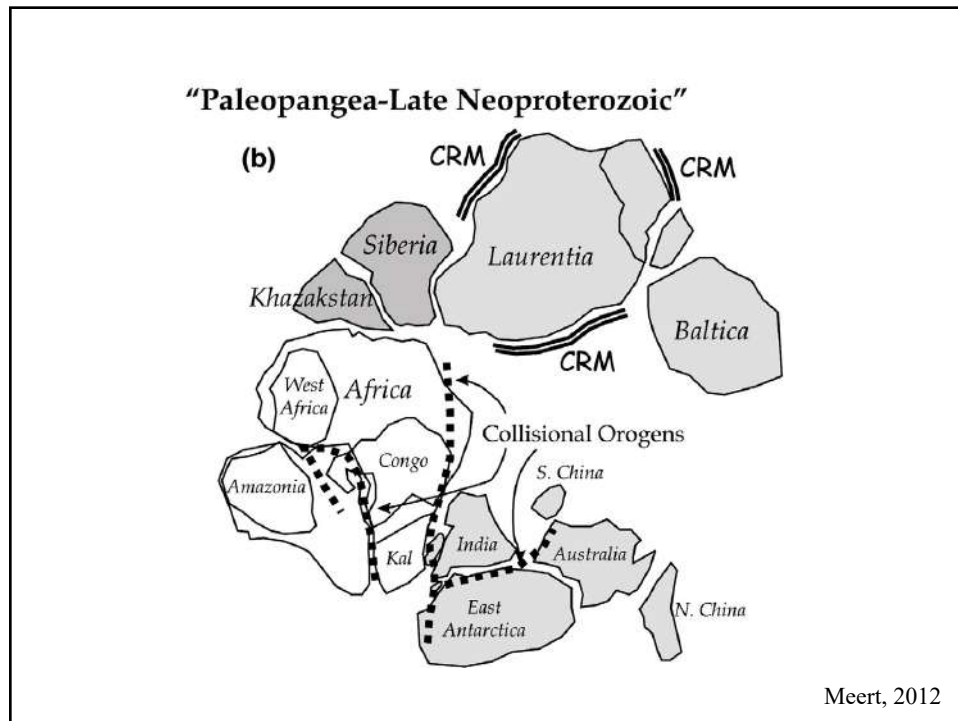
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Ciclo 3 – os gradientes termais diminuem a partir do Toniano com aparecimento comum de metamorfismo de baixo dT/dP (xisto azul, eclogito e UHP)
 - começo da subducção profunda, com resfriamento do manto

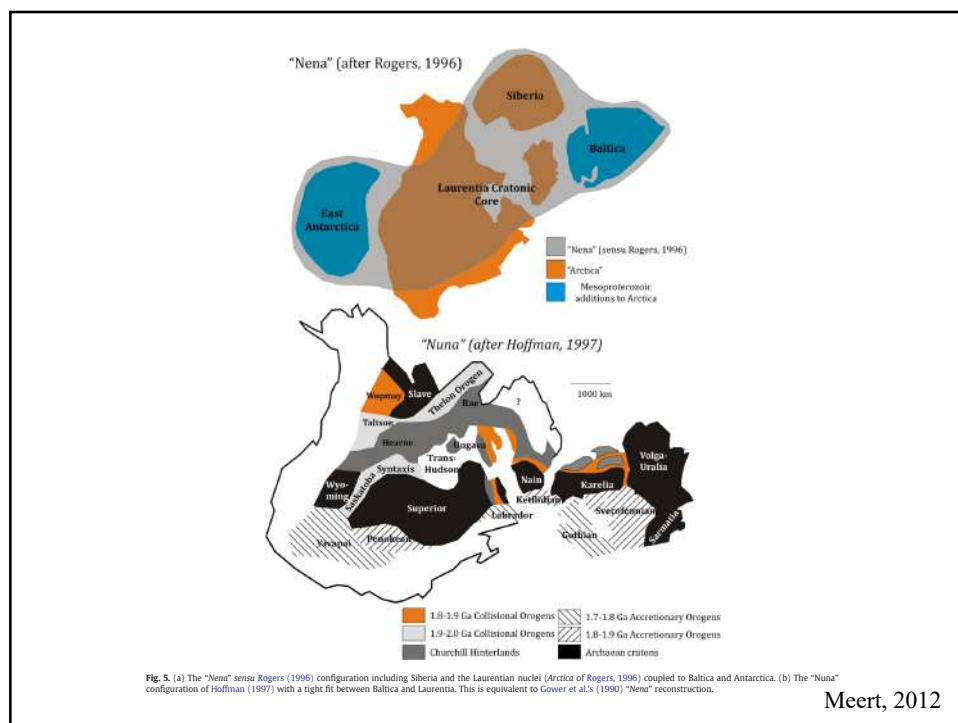
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