

PROVENANCE EVOLUTION DURING ASSEMBLY OF THE ACADIAN/NEOACADIAN OROGEN: DETRITAL ZIRCON DATA FROM THE DEVONIAN OF NEW YORK

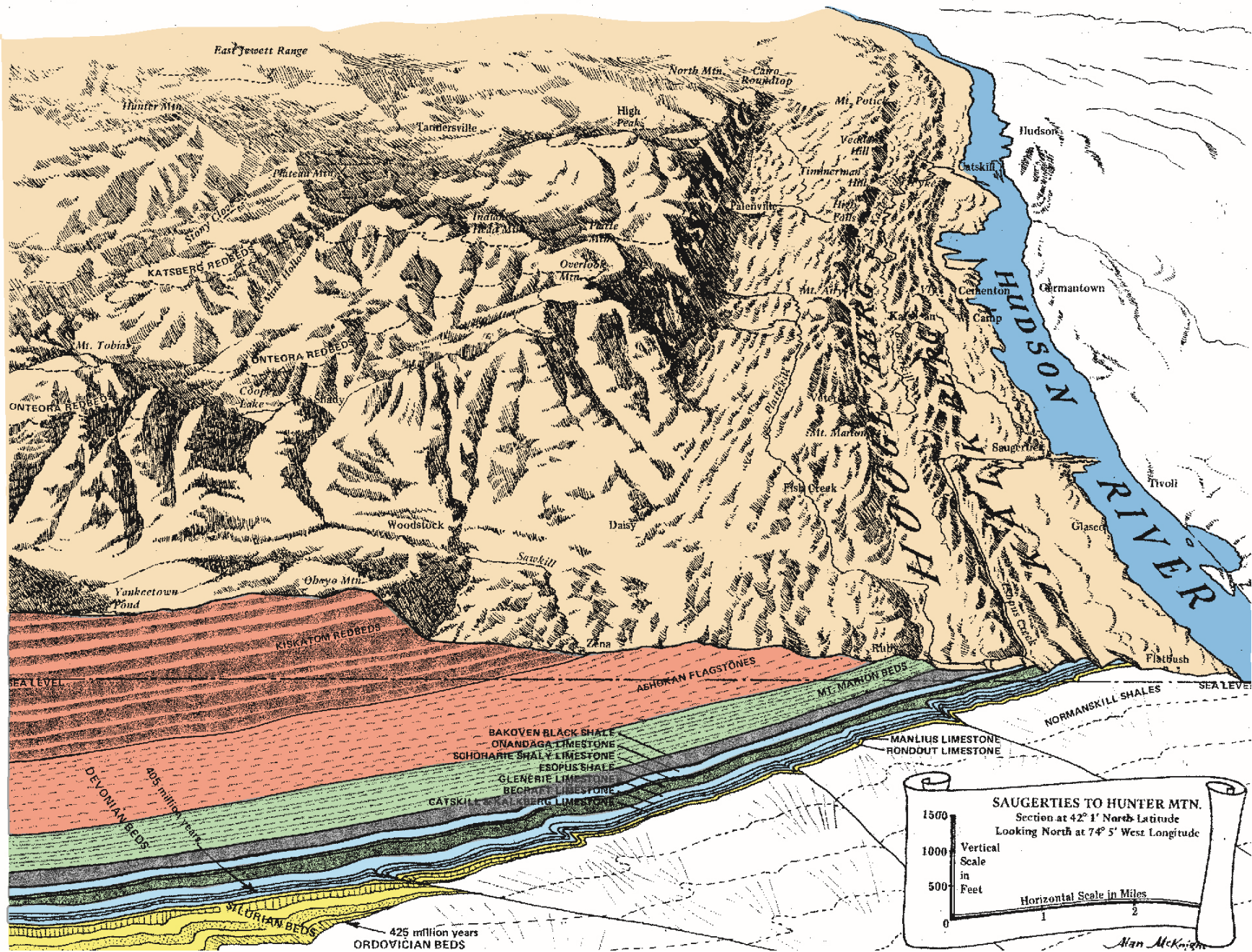
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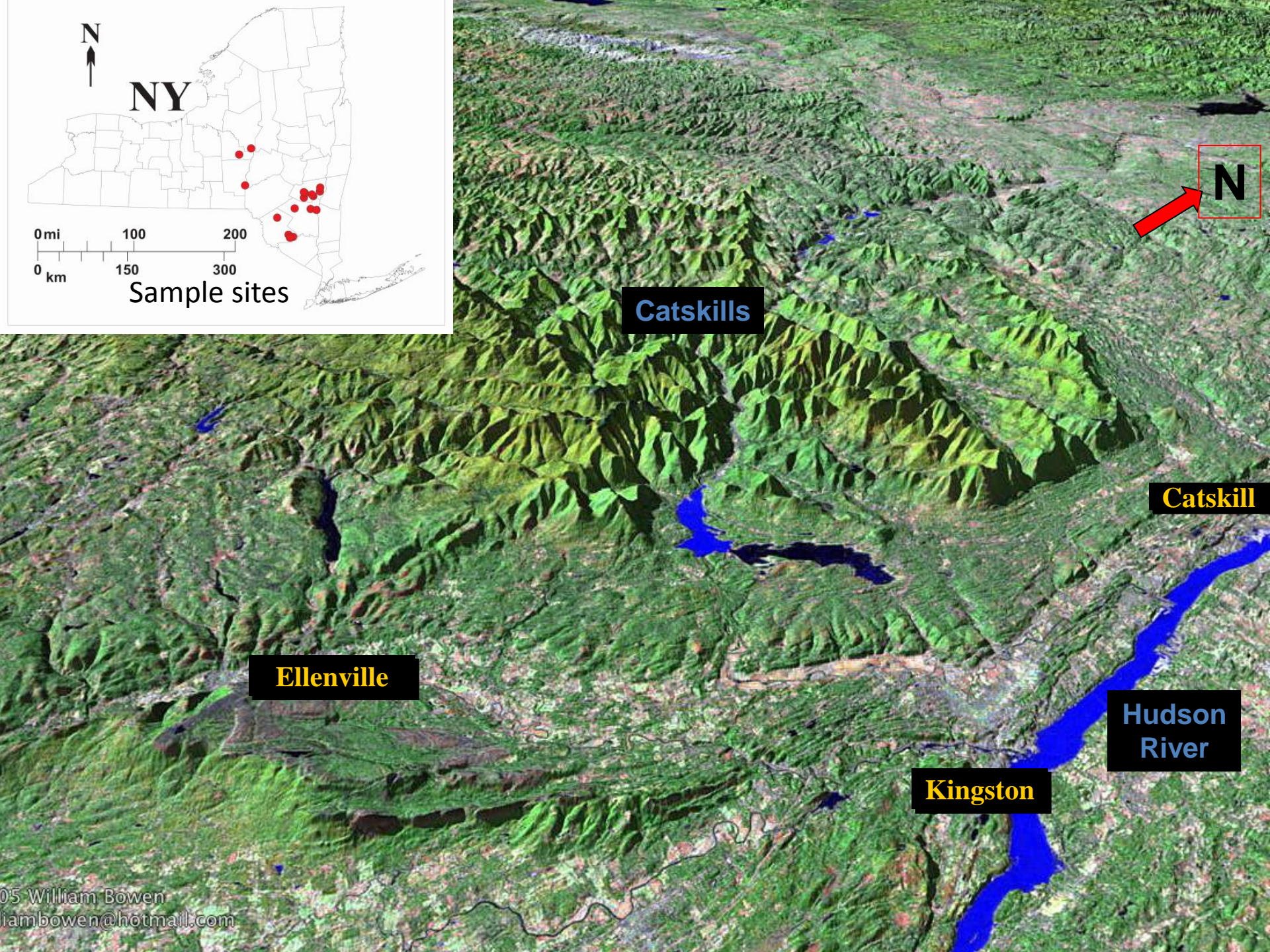
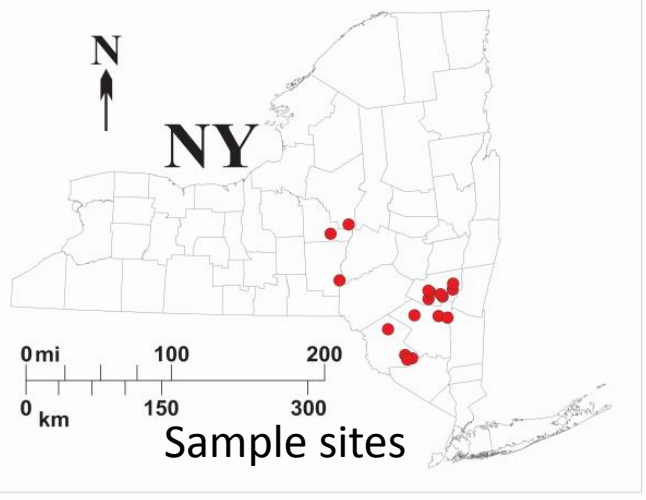
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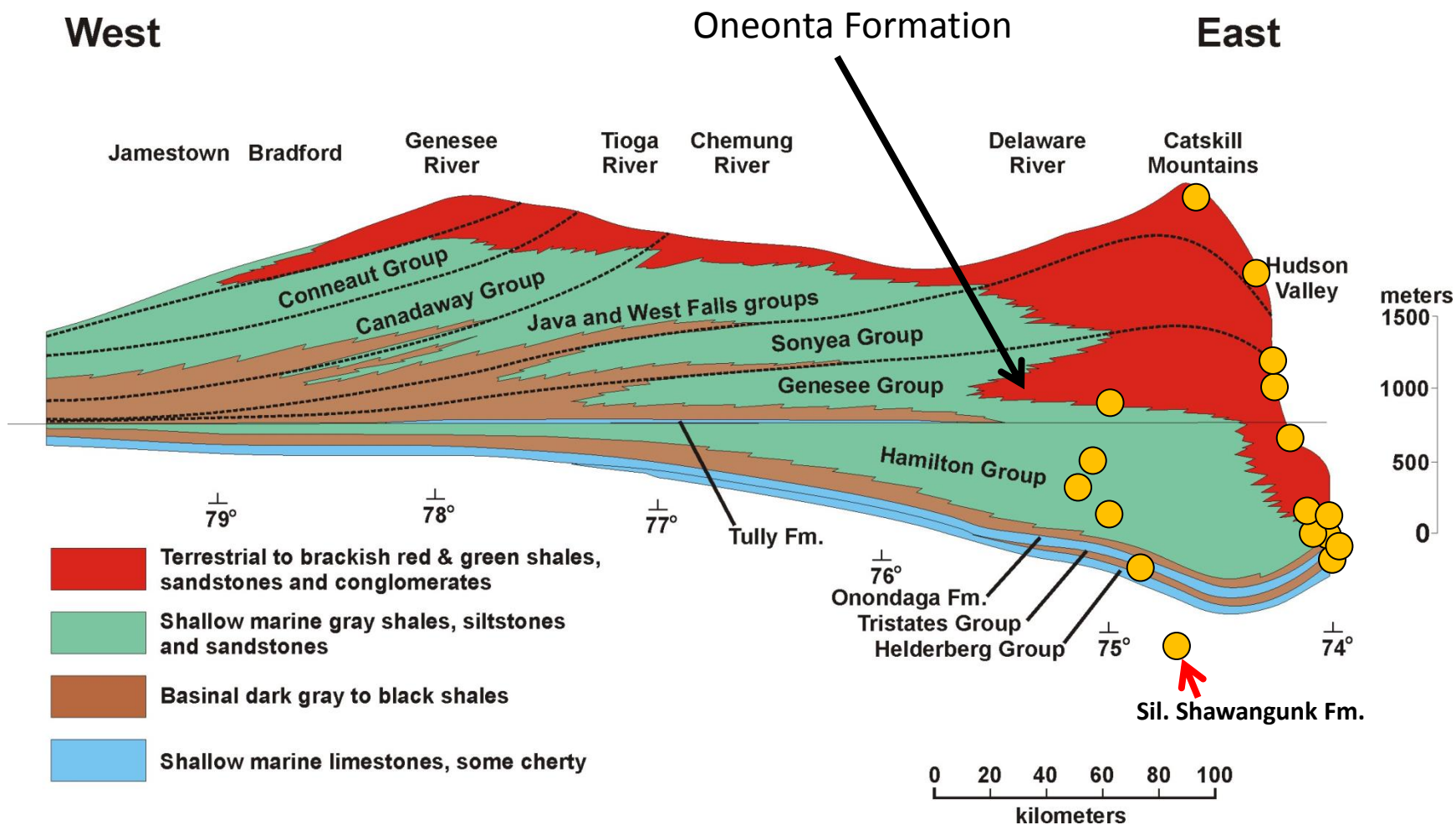


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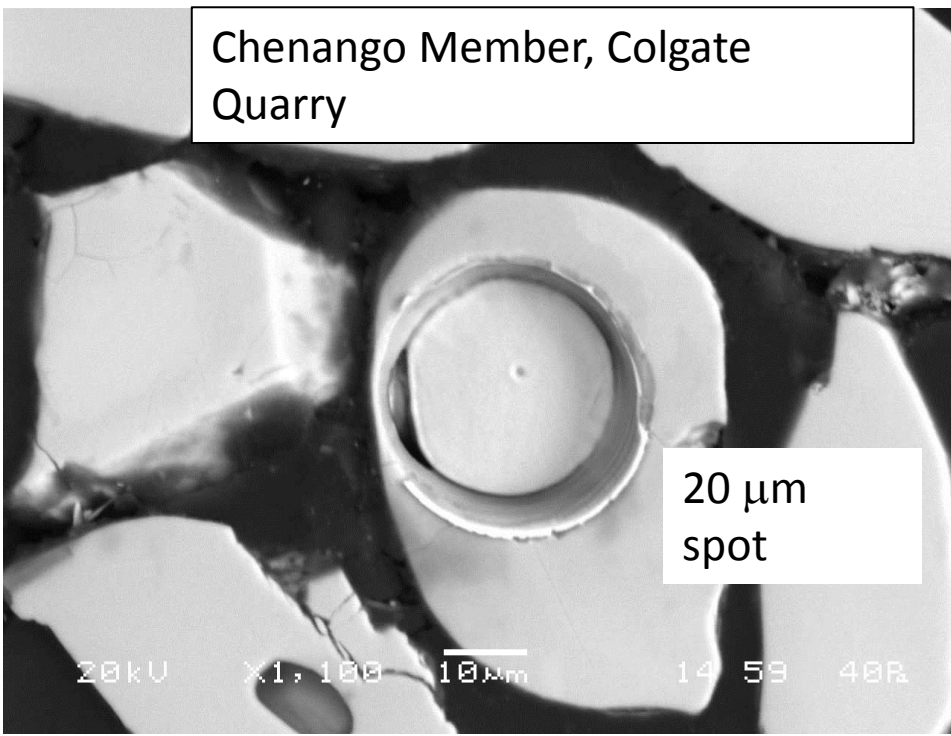
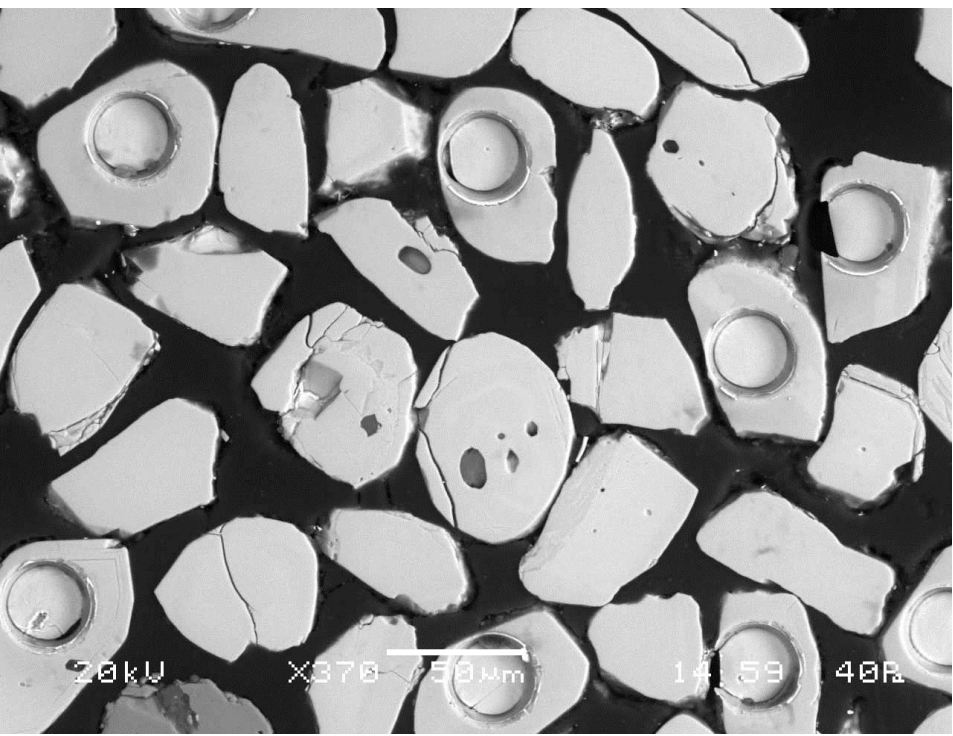


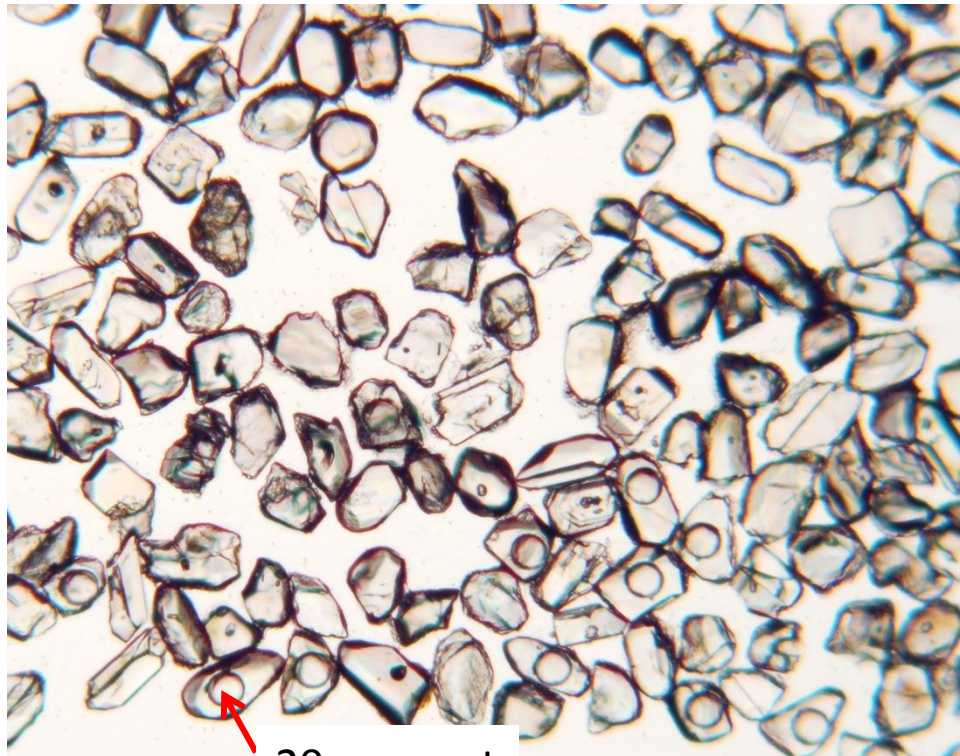
Stratigraphic distribution of samples ●



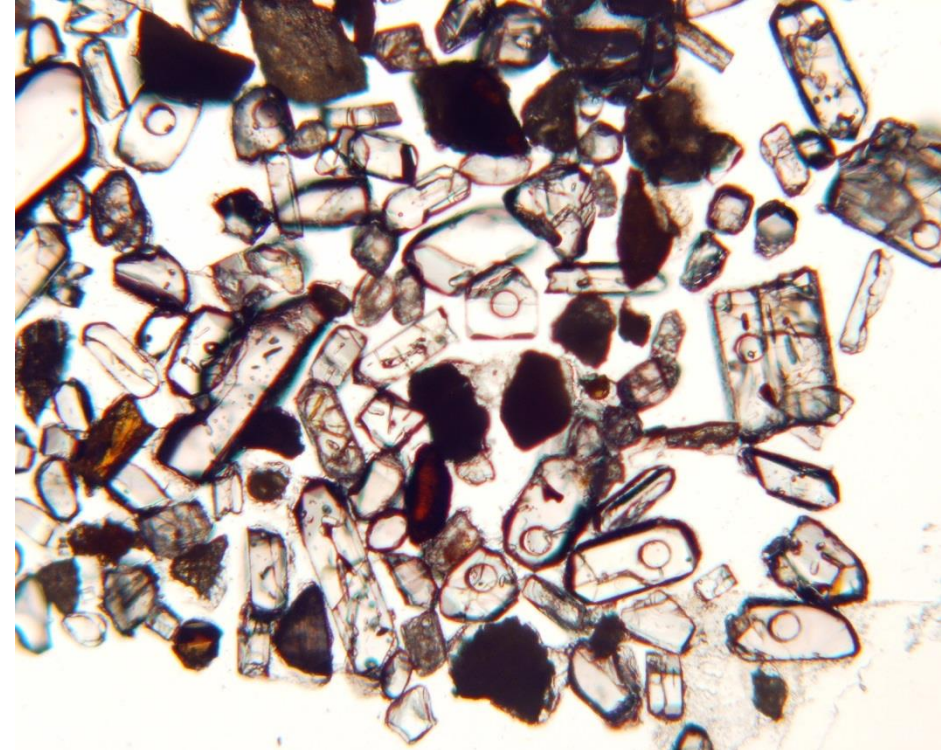


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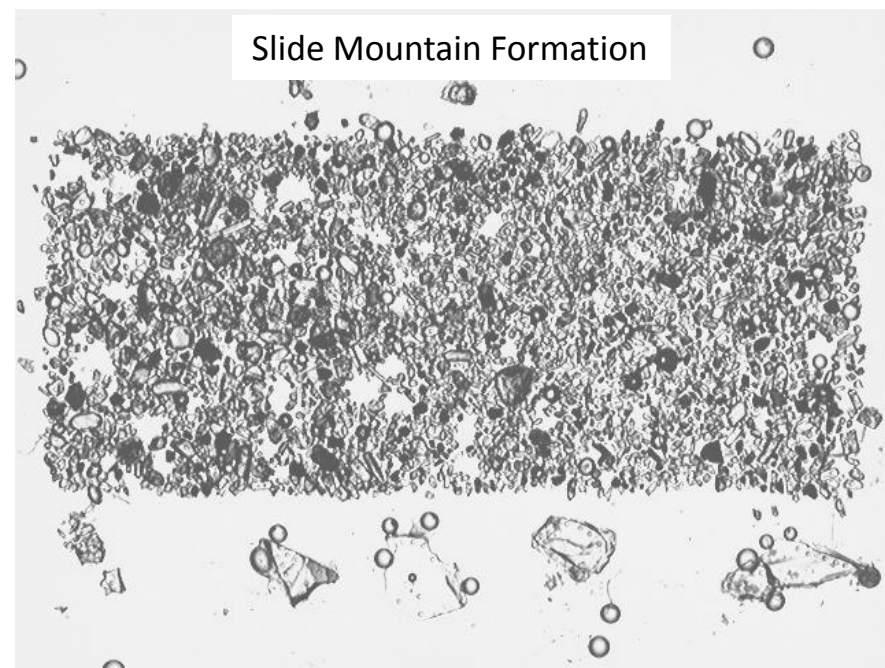
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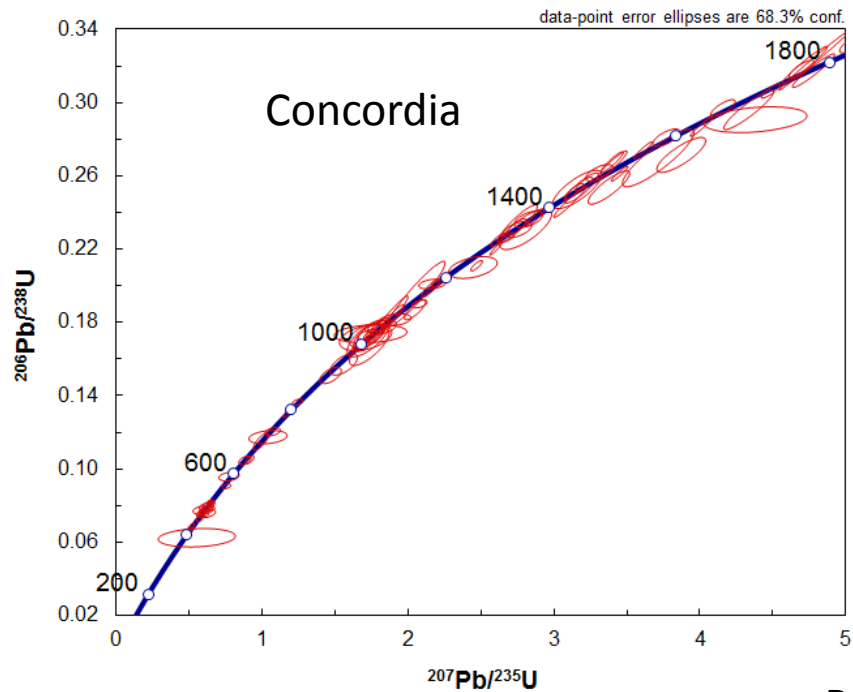


Chenango Member, Skaneateles Fm., Hamilton Gp.



Slide Mountain Formation



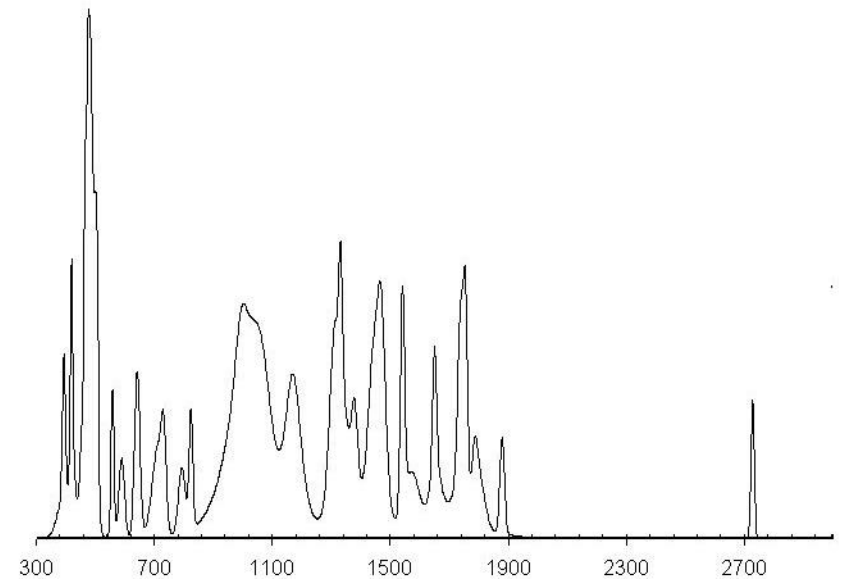
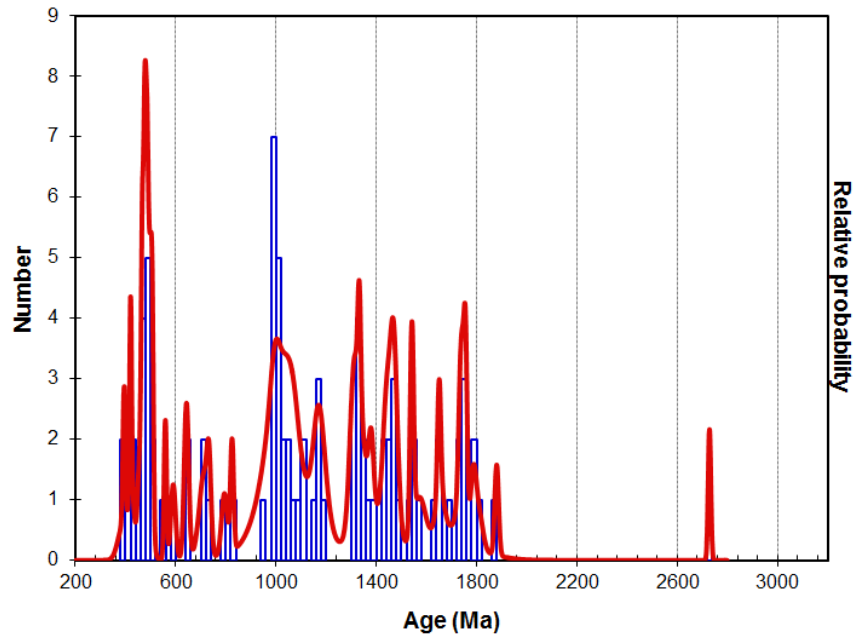


Chenango Member, Skaneateles Formation,
Hamilton Group, Colgate Quarry



Probability-density

n – 100 to 300 grains



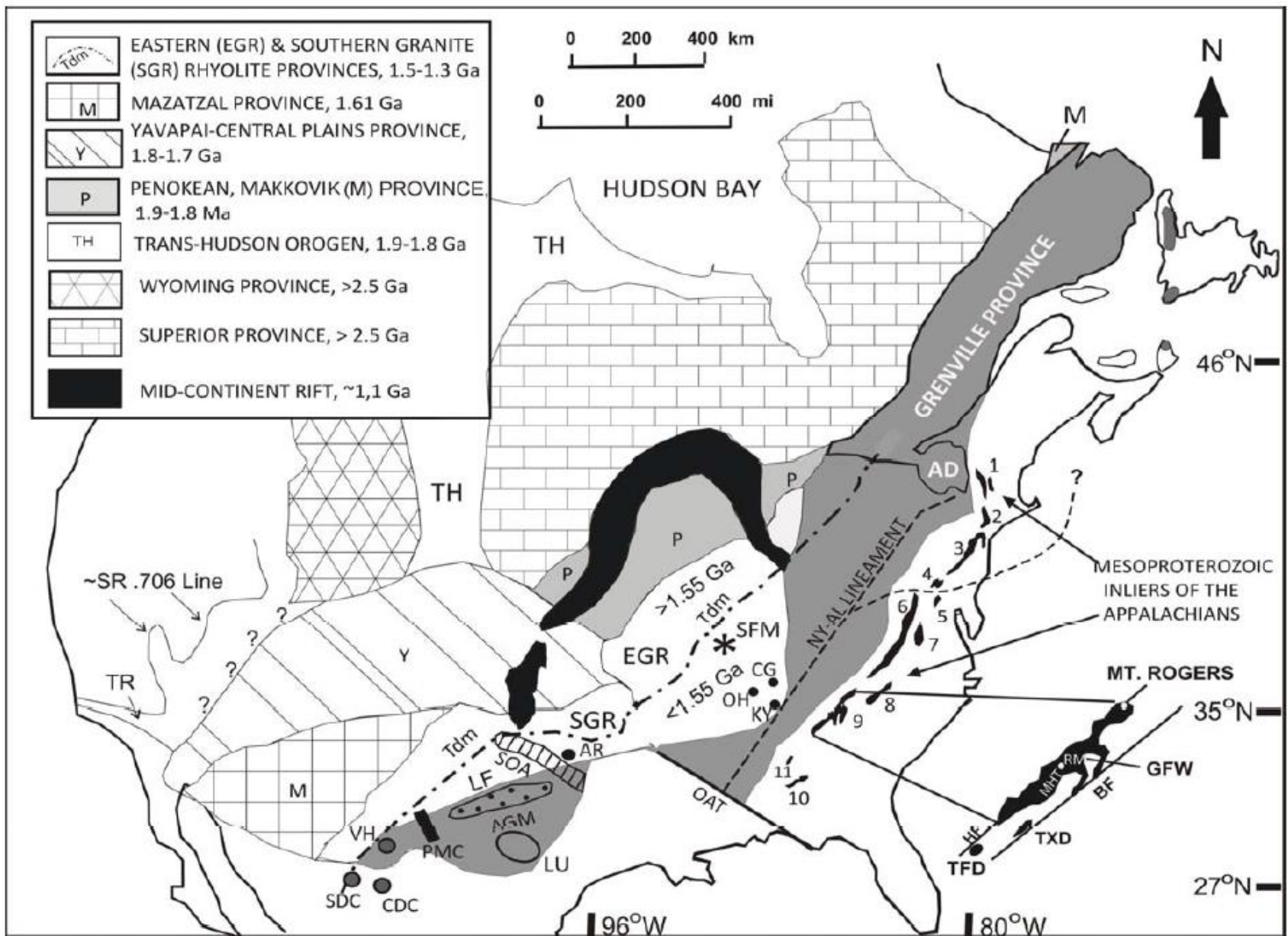
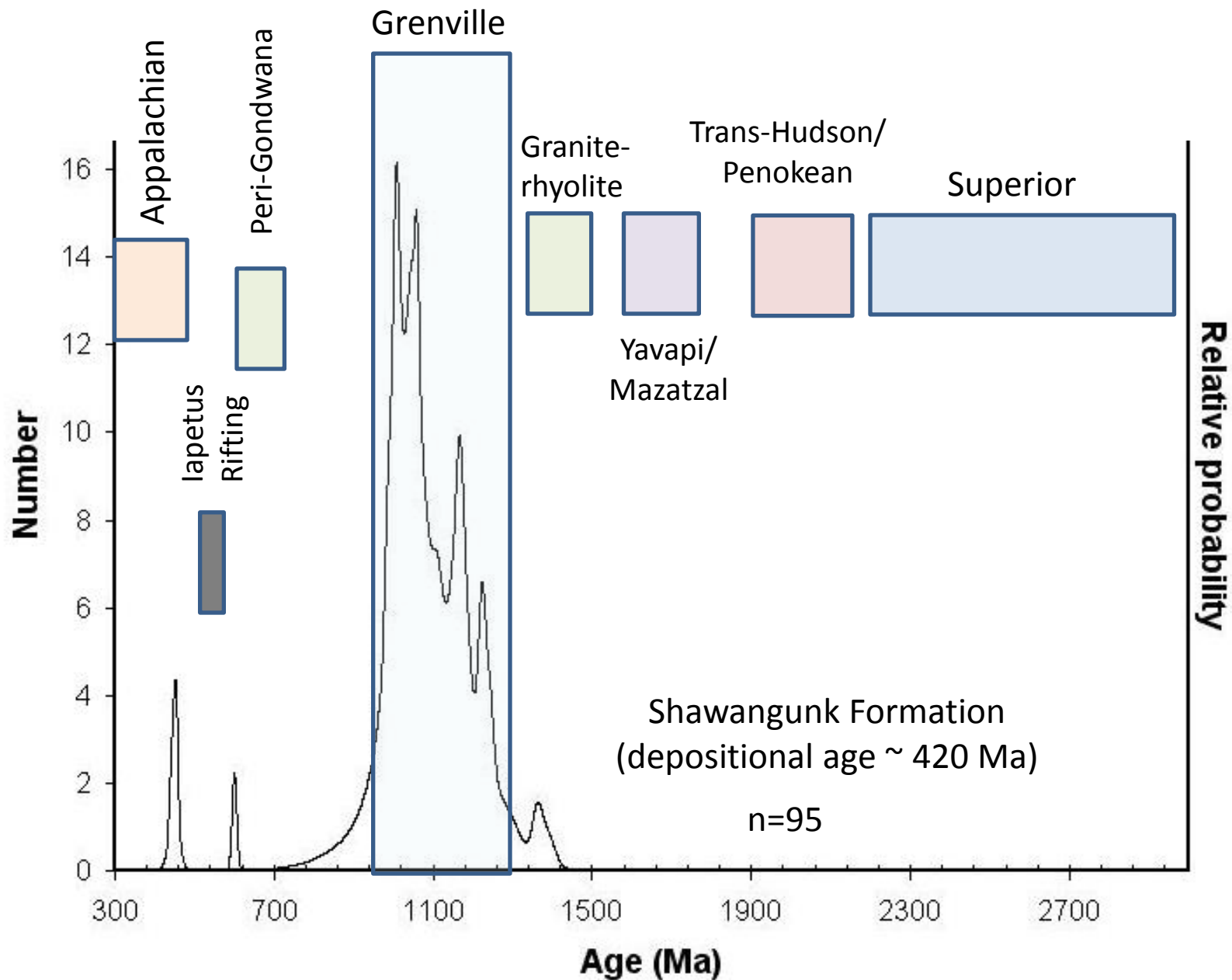
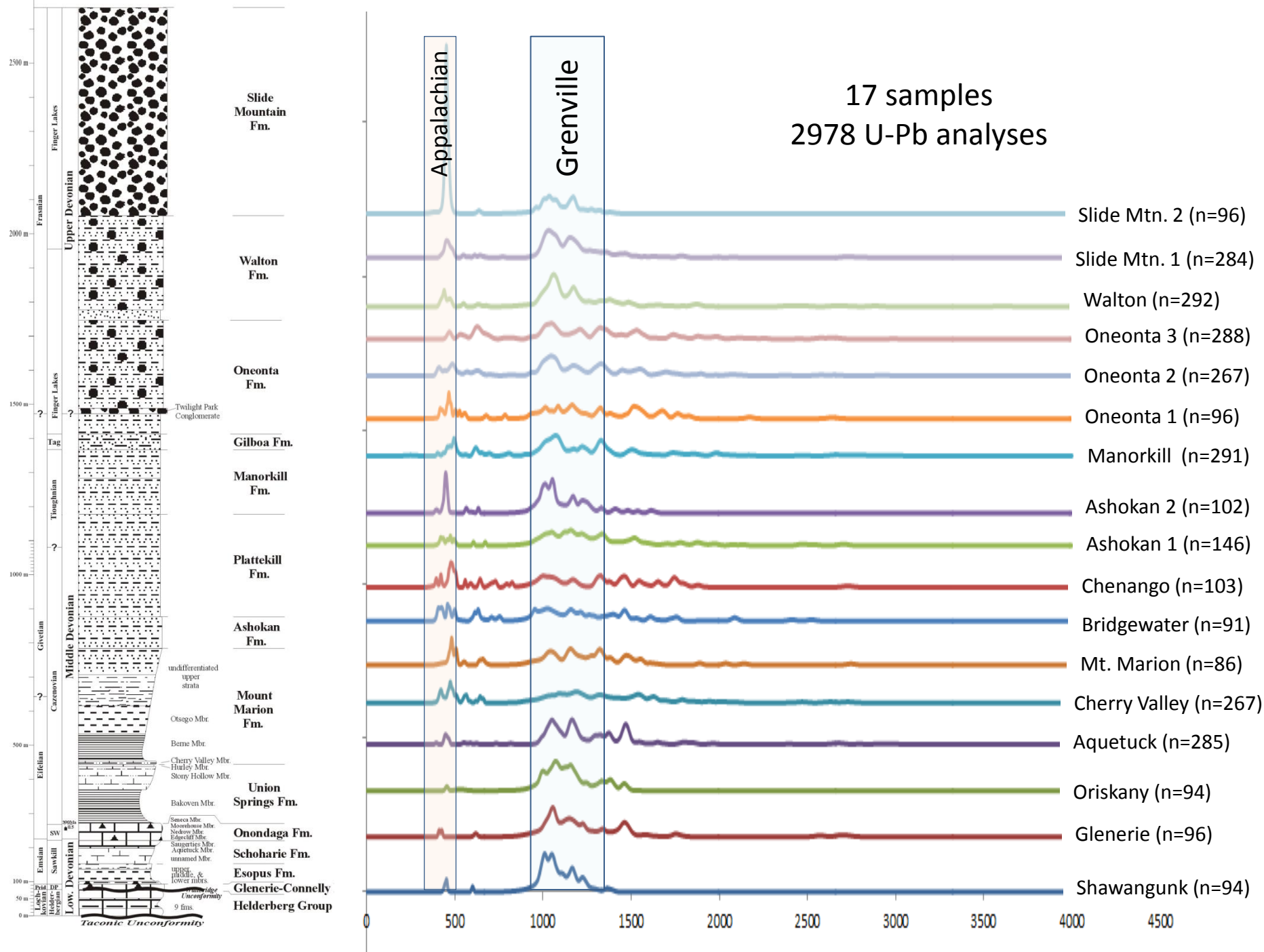
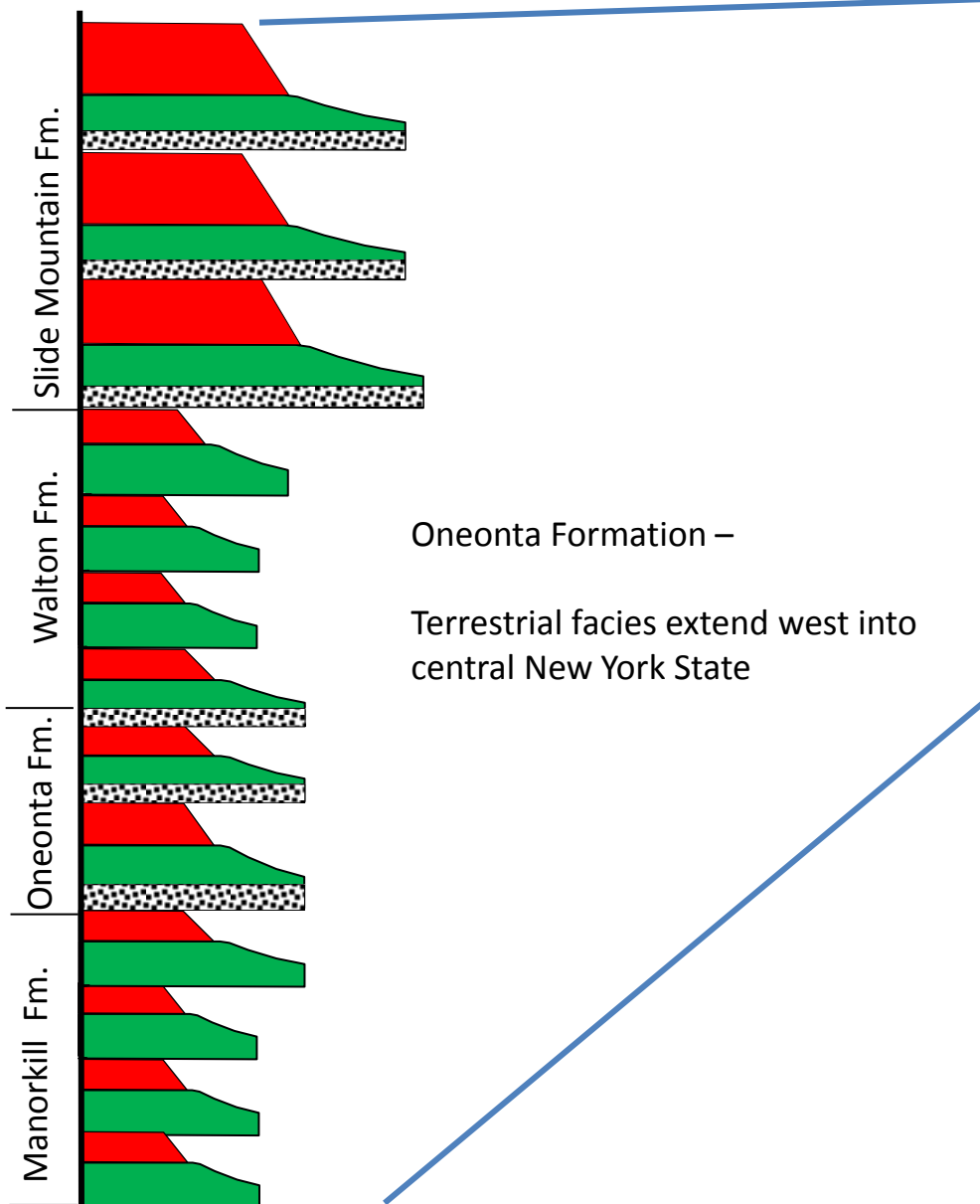


Figure 1. Generalized map depicting major tectonic and geochronological subdivisions in the USA. The Grenville Province is shown in medium gray and its exposed portions are indicated by heavy outlines. **Abbreviations:** AD = Adirondack Mountains, (from Tectonic Evolution of the Adirondack Mountains and Grenville Orogen Inliers within the USA, McLelland, et al, 2013)

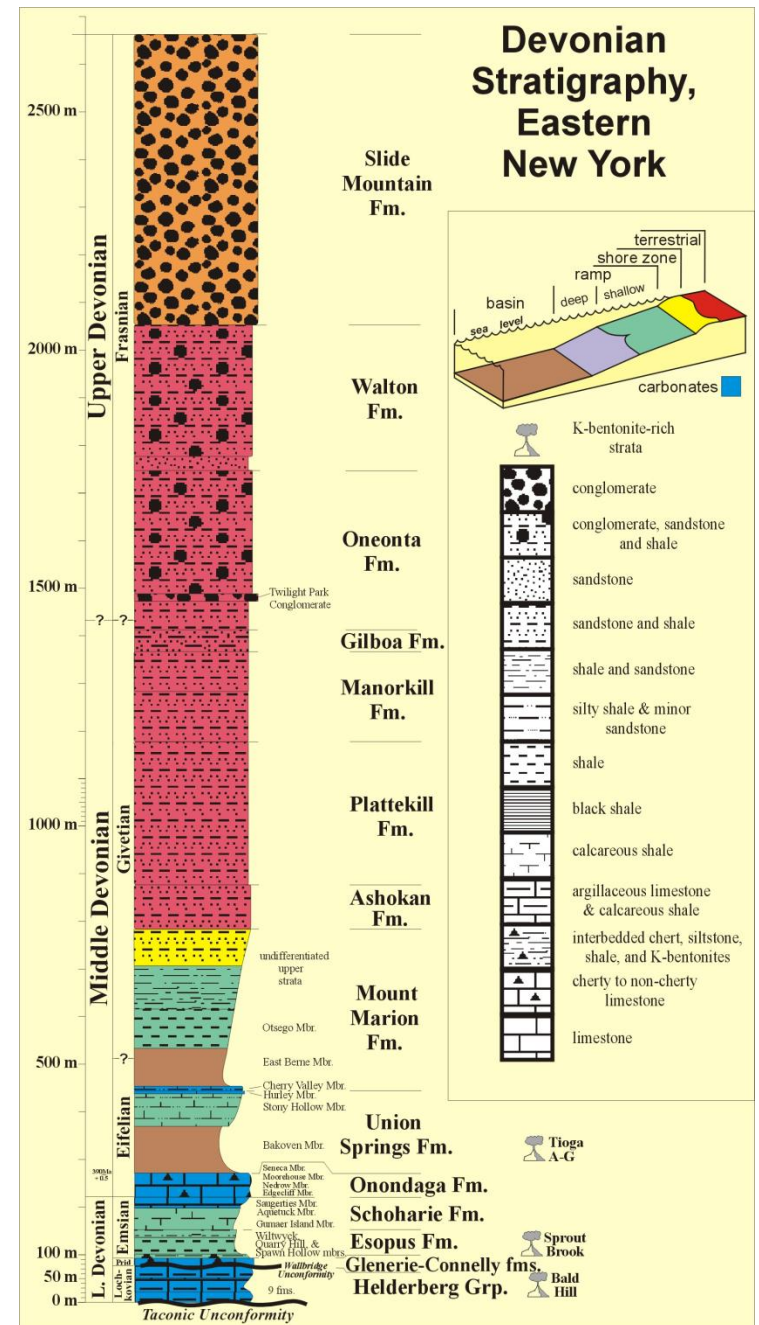


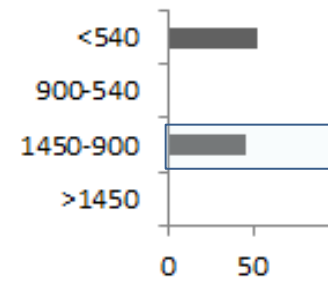
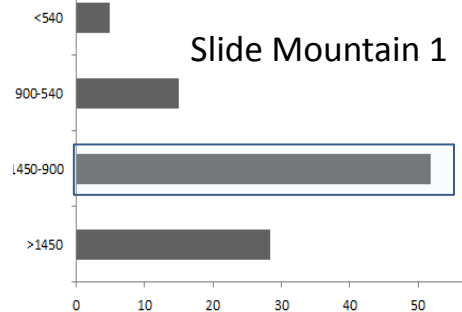
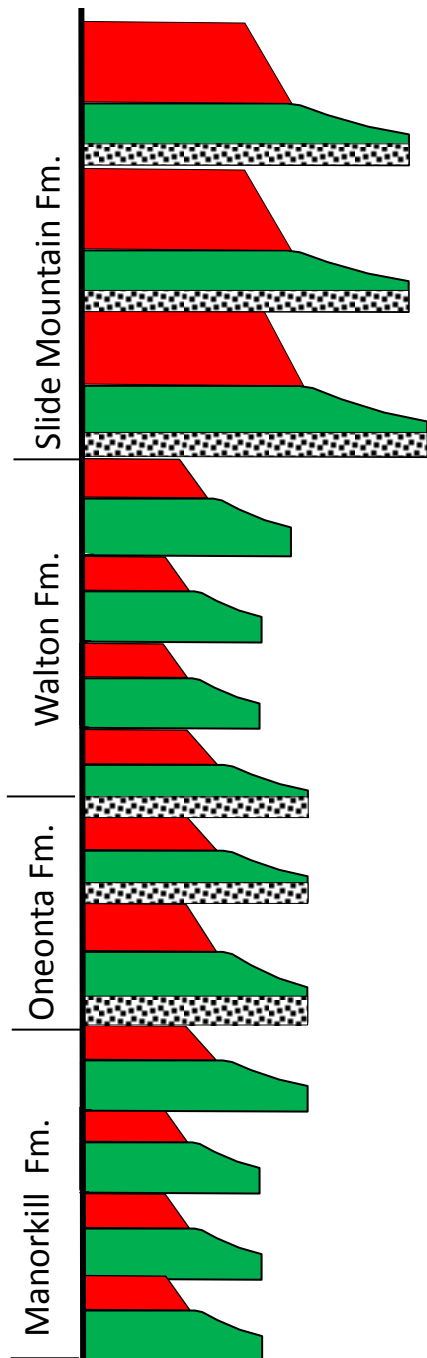




Oneonta Formation –
Terrestrial facies extend west into
central New York State

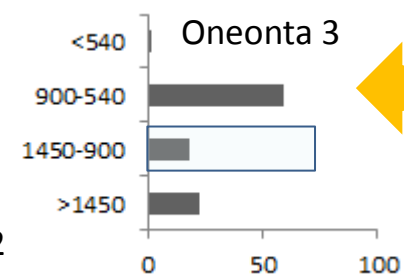
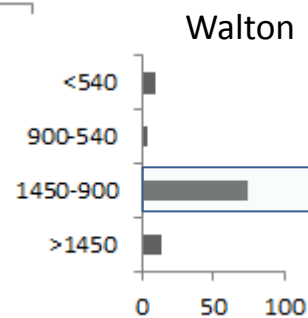
Upper Givetian - Lower Frasnian sequence





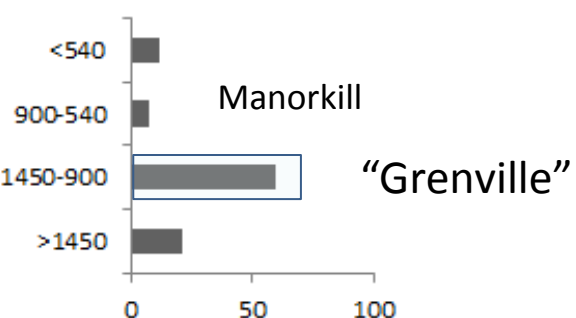
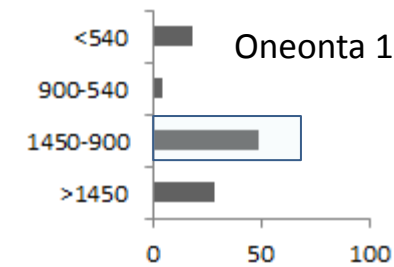
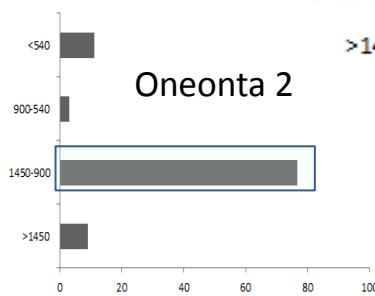
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Slide Mountain 2



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Oneonta 2



%

West

East

Jamestown Bradford

Genesee
River

Tioga
River

Chemung
River

Delaware
River

Catskill
Mountains

Conneaut Group

Canadaway Group

Java and West Falls groups

Sonyea Group

Genesee Group

Hamilton Group

Hudson
Valley

meters
1500

1000

500

0

79°

78°

77°

Tully Fm.

76°

Onondaga Fm.

Tristates Group

Helderberg Group

75°

74°



Terrestrial to brackish red & green shales,
sandstones and conglomerates



Shallow marine gray shales, siltstones
and sandstones



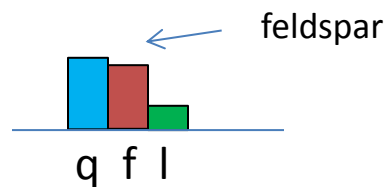
Basinal dark gray to black shales



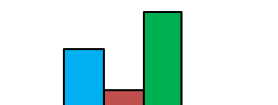
Shallow marine limestones, some cherty

0 20 40 60 80 100
kilometers

sandstone petrology



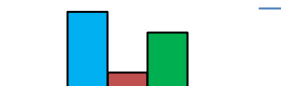
Upper Slide Mountain –
feldspathic



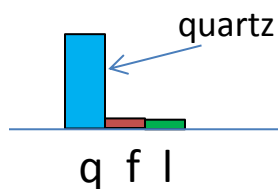
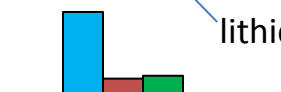
Walton - lithic



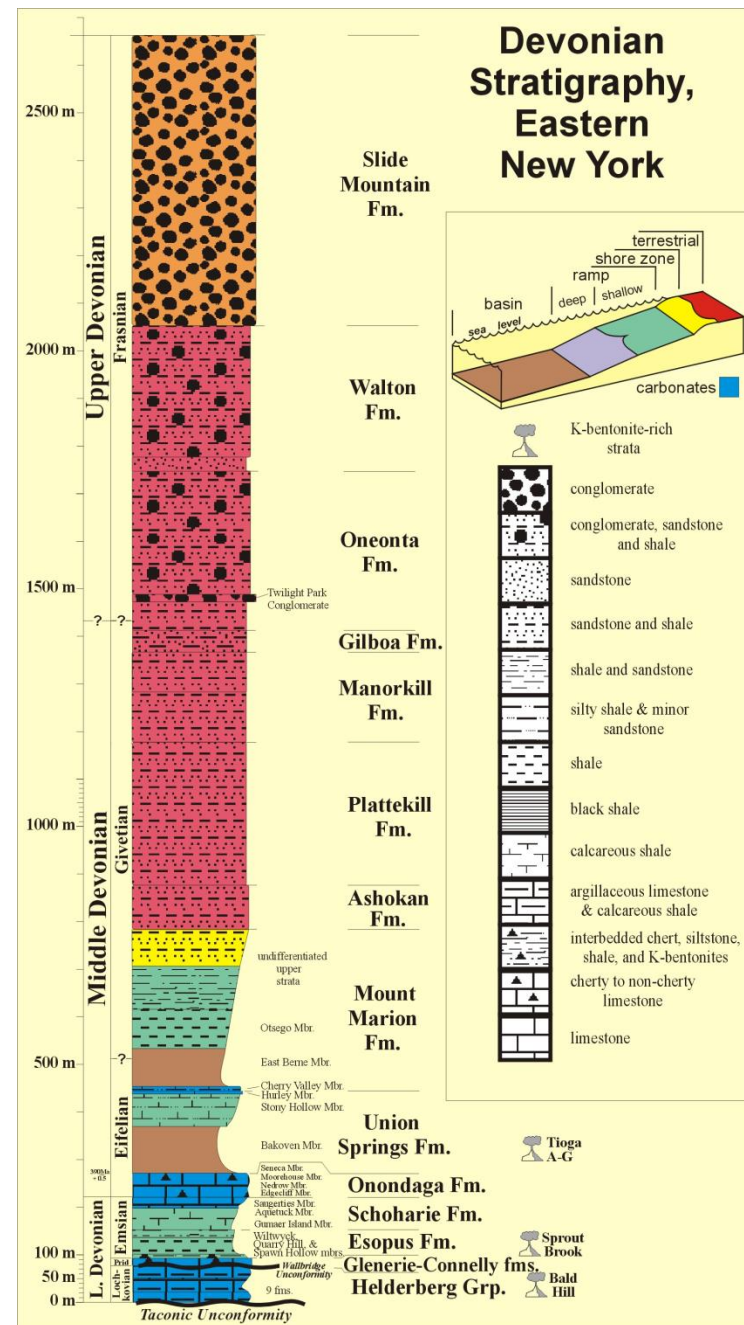
Oneonta - lithic



upper Hamilton Group – lithic



Shawangunk and Oriskany
quartz arenite



Zircon populations from middle to upper Lower Devonian (Pragian and Emsian Stages) strata are dominated by Grenville (ca. 1400-1000 Ma) and older grains, derived largely from older Paleozoic clastic rocks that were originally sourced from the Laurentian craton.

Lower Middle Devonian (Eifelian to lowest Givetian) siliciclastics, including the Marcellus subgroup, are dominated by Laurentian sources, with younger Grenville (Ottawan, ca. 1080-1020 Ma) zircons most abundant.

Upper Middle Devonian (Givetian) clastics are dominated by Grenville zircons, but include larger ca. 470-420 Ma populations from igneous and metamorphic sources within the Appalachian Orogen.

Lower Upper Devonian (Frasnian) strata contain zircon suites signaling new source terranes including Neoproterozoic 'peri-Gondwana' (ca. 950-540 Ma) source rocks.

Zircon populations from the lower Frasnian Oneonta Formation document an abrupt shift to a provenance with much greater abundance of Neoproterozoic age materials, likely derived from newly-exposed Avalonian/peri-Gondwanan sources.

The later Frasnian strata (Slide Mountain Formation) contain relatively fewer Neoproterozoic zircons, and increased contributions from Paleozoic igneous and metamorphic sources.

Biostratigraphic/age control in terrestrial facies is less than ideal. Next steps: marine units that are better-constrained.