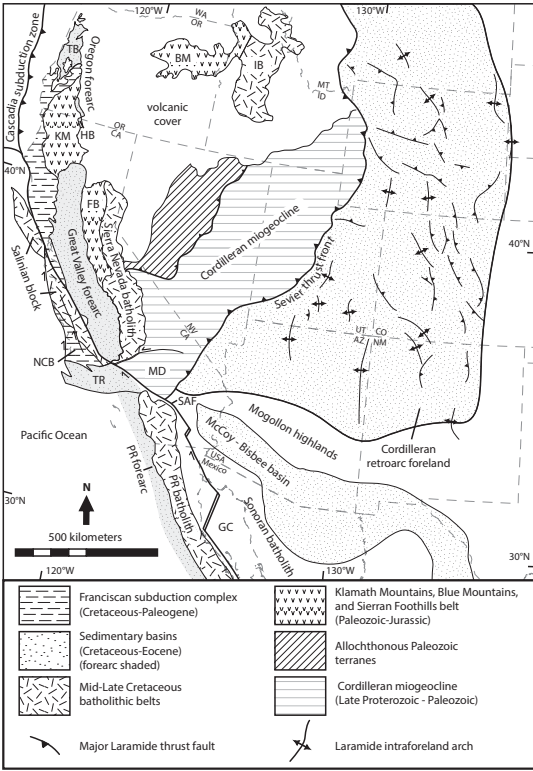


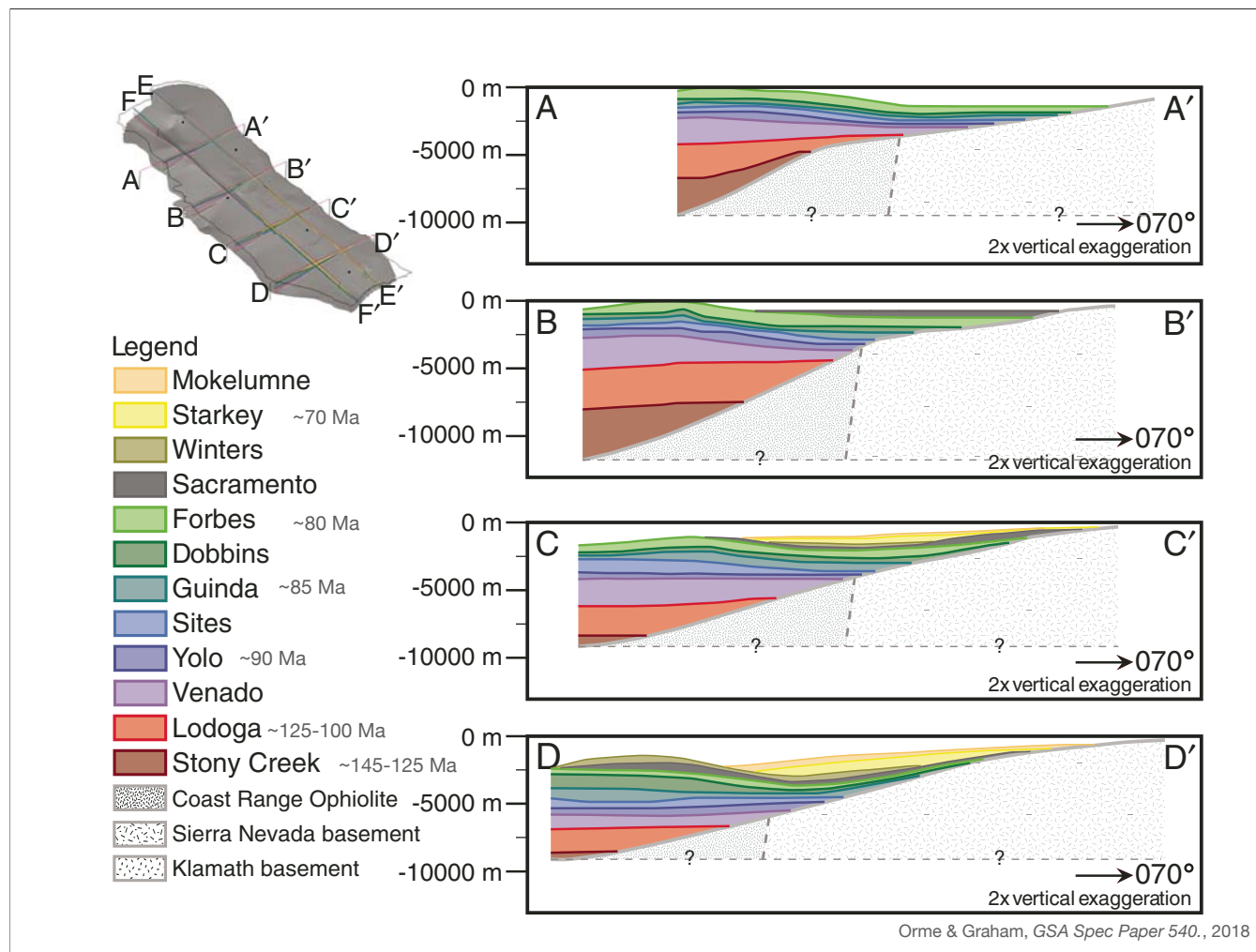
Overview of what the northern part of the basin is currently like. Note that the basement from cores is largely Sierra arc (which a lot of papers get wrong).



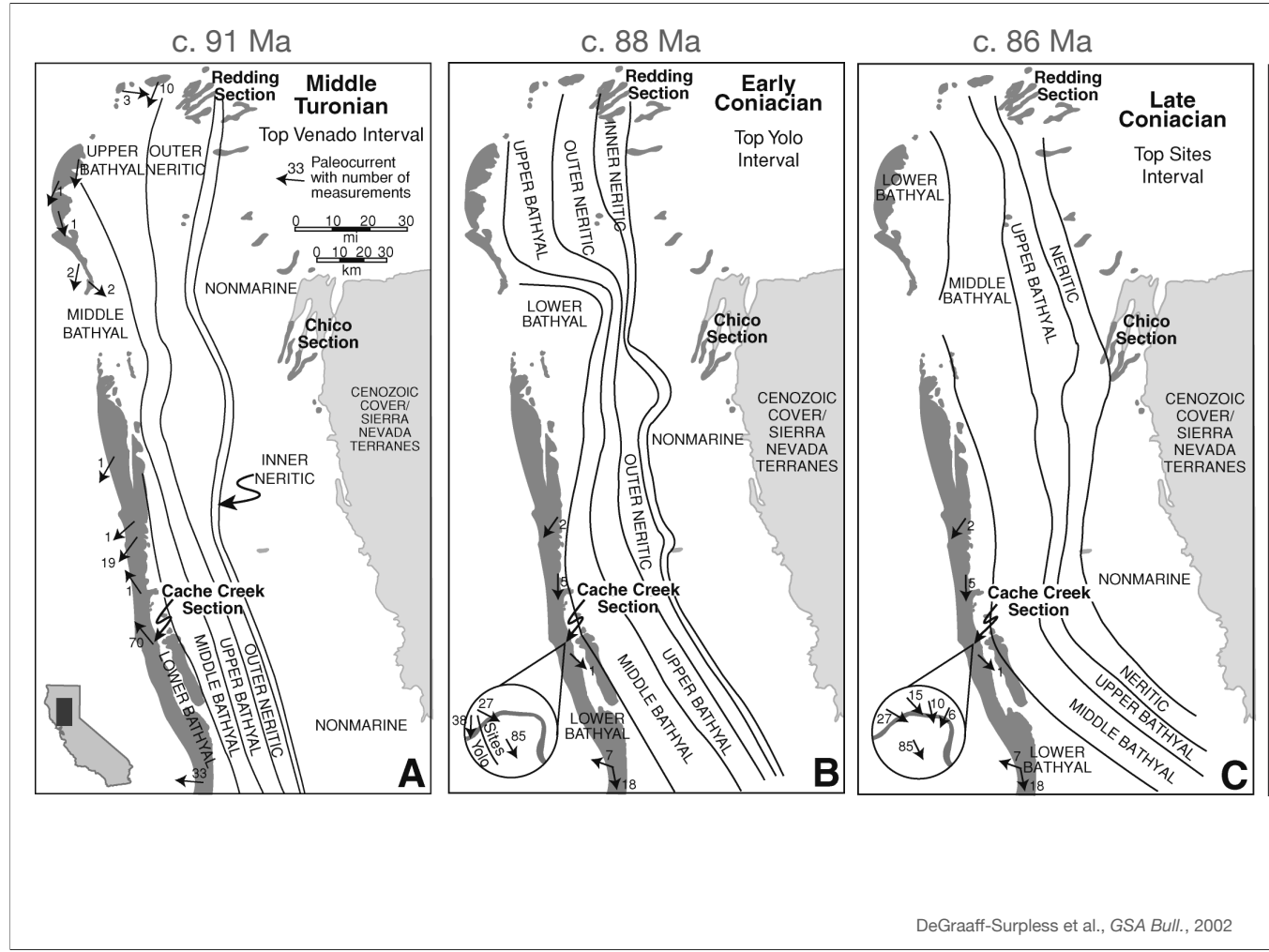
Sharman et al., *GSA Bull.*, 2015

TIME (Ma)	STAGES	PETROFACIES	CACHE CREEK	REDDING	CHICO	SAN JOAQUIN
70 75 80 85 90 95 100 105 110 115 120	LATE CRETACEOUS	MAASTRICHTIAN 71.3(±0.5)	Sacramento/San Joaquin Valleys NO EXPOSURE	NO EXPOSURE	NONMARINE	NO EXPOSURE
		CAMPANIAN	Forbes Shale			Joaquin Ridge Fm
		SANTONIAN 83.5(±0.5) 85.8(±0.5)	Dobbins Shale	Oak Run Conglomerate Hooten Gulch	Ten Mile Member Kingsley Cave Member	Upper Los Gatos Creek Fm
			Guinda Fm			
		CONIACIAN 89.0(±0.5)	Funks Shale Sites Sandstone	Bear Creek Sandstone Frazier Siltstone	Misty Buck Member Ponderosa Way Member	Lower Los Gatos Creek Fm
		TURONIAN 93.5(±0.2)	Yolo Fm			
		CENOMANIAN	Venado Fm	Bellavista Sandstone		Studhorse Fm
			Fiske Creek Fm			
		EARLY CRETACEOUS	BOXER/GRABAST			Grabast Fm
120 125 130 135 140	NEOCOMIAN	APTIAN 112.2(±1.1)	LODOGA	Lodoga Fm		
		ALBIAN				
		BARREMIAN 121.0(±1.4) 127.0(±1.6)				
	NEOCOMIAN	HAUTERIVIAN 132.0(±1.9)	PLATINA	Stony Creek Fm		
		VALANGINIAN 137.0(±2.2)				
		BERRIASIAN				

DeGraaff-Surpless et al., *GSA Bull.*, 2002



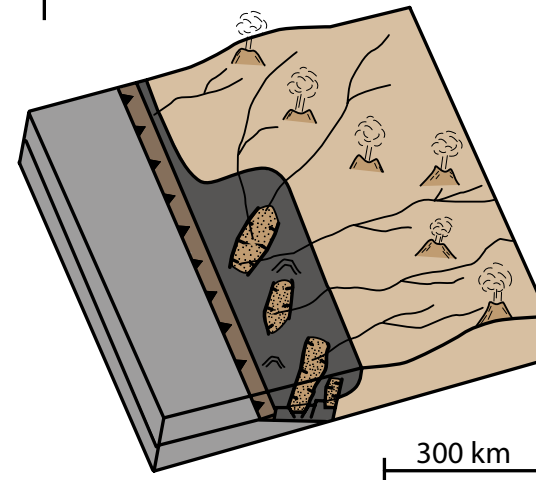
Sediments onlap to the Sierra to the east



In addition to the onlap, facies deepen rapidly going offshore—and deepen through time as sediments onlap to Sierra

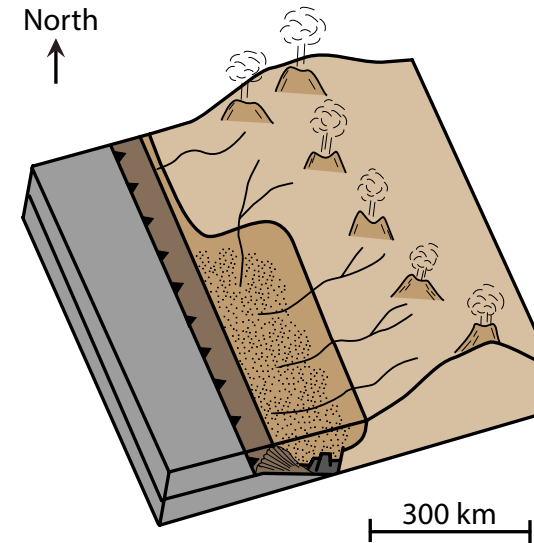
A Latest Jurassic-earliest Cretaceous

North
↑



B Early Cretaceous

North
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Farallon oceanic plate

Subduction trench

Coast Range ophiolite

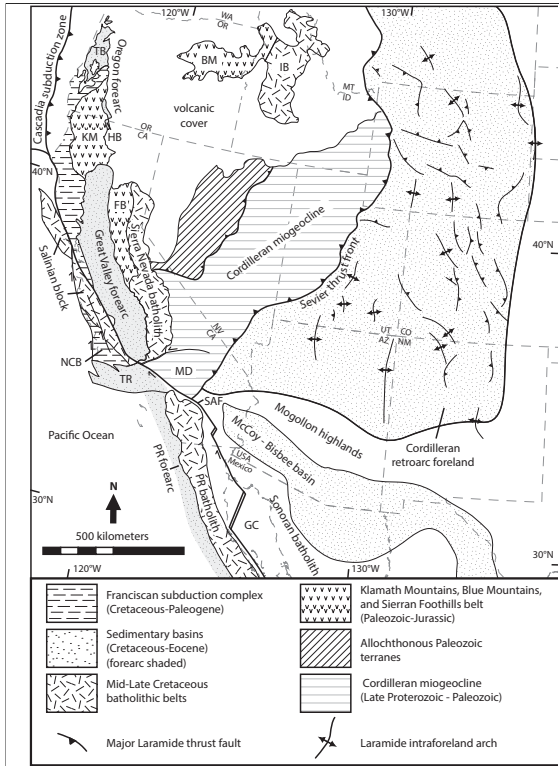
Klamath-Sierra Nevada arc

Great Valley Group

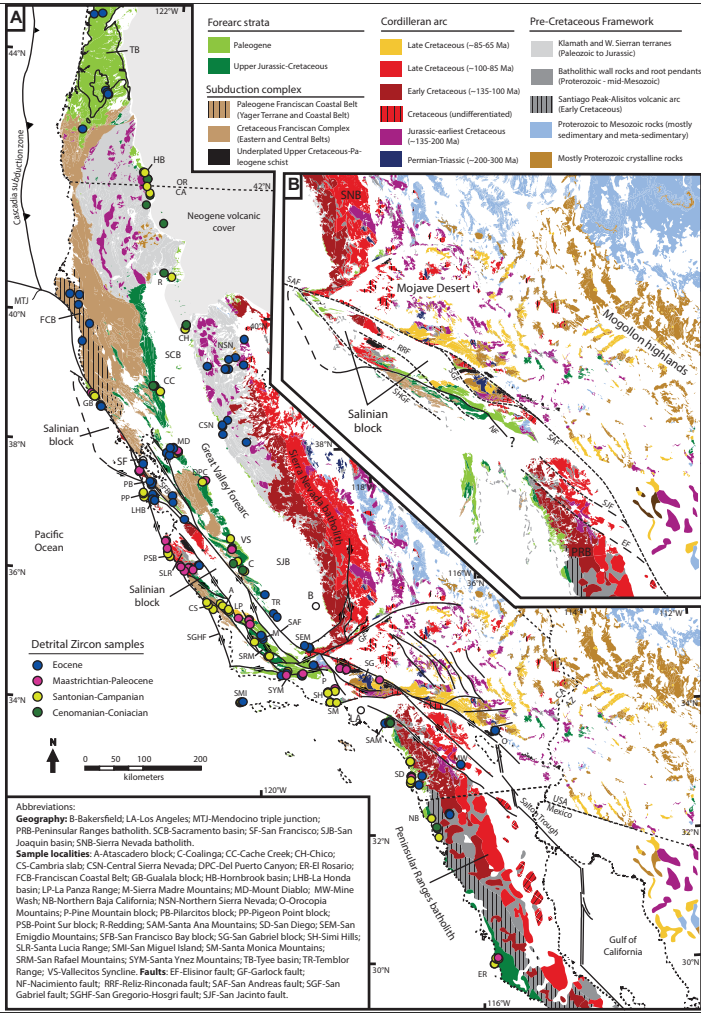
Serpentinite mud volcanoes

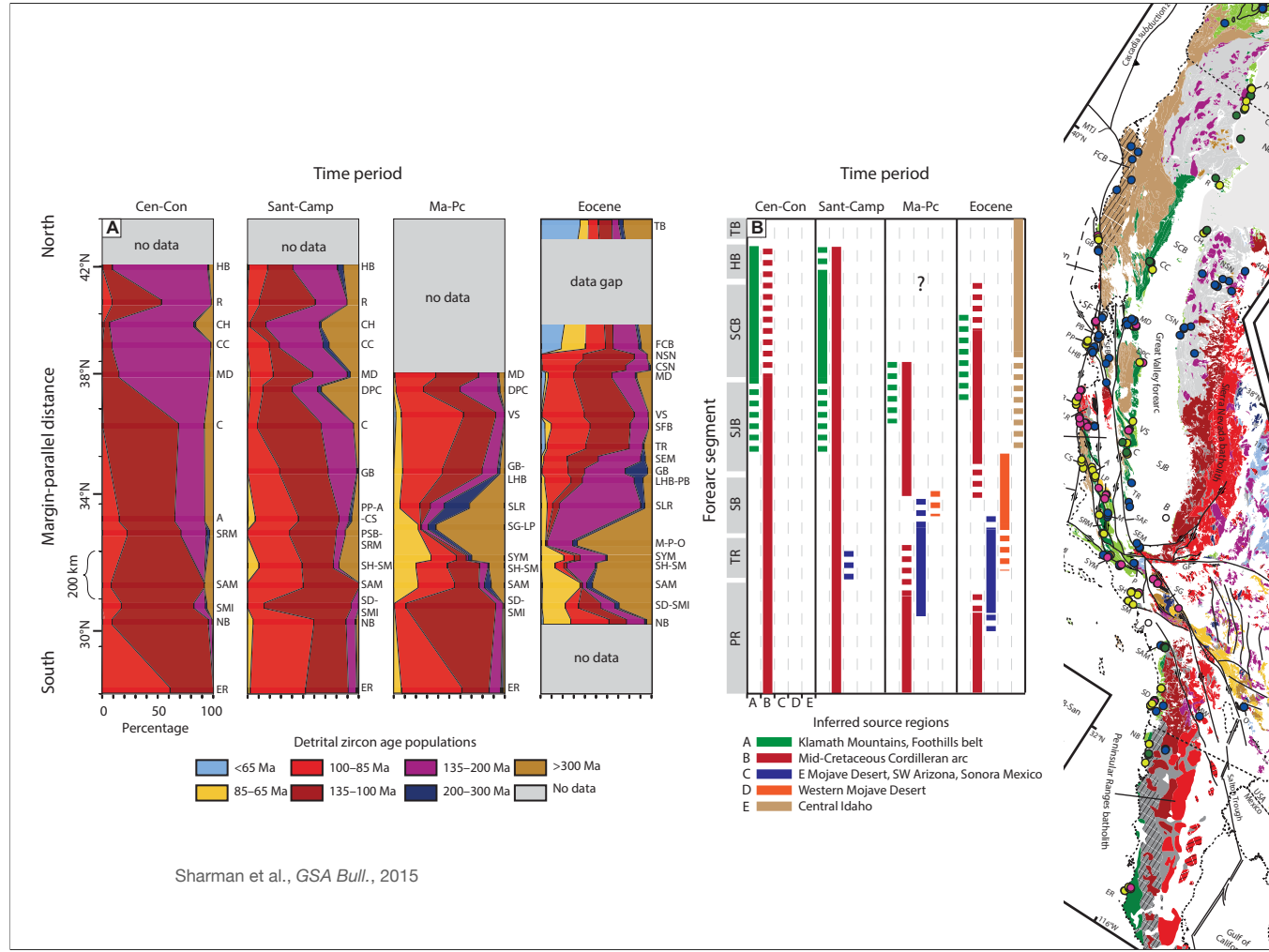
Normal fault

Subduction interface

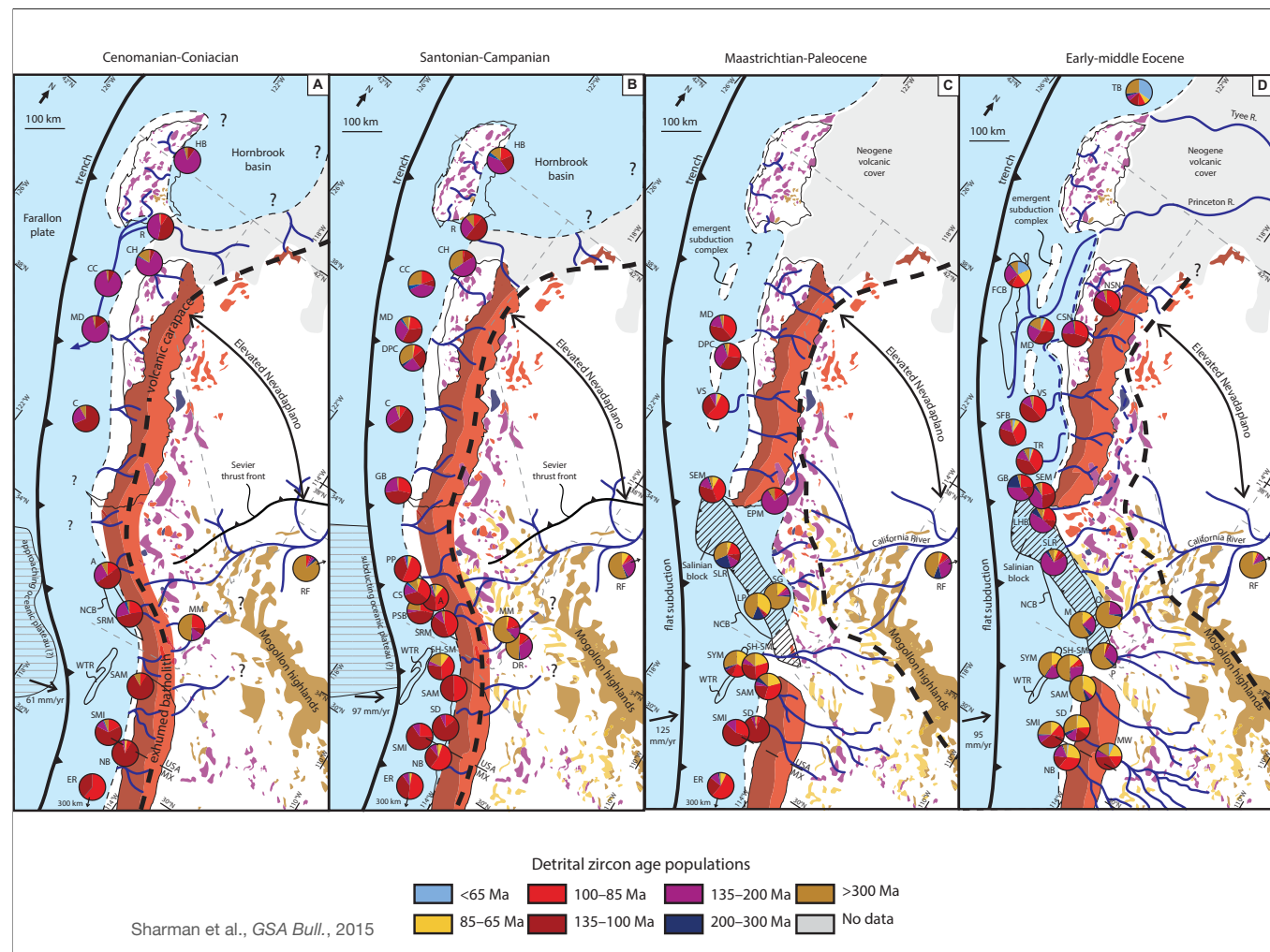


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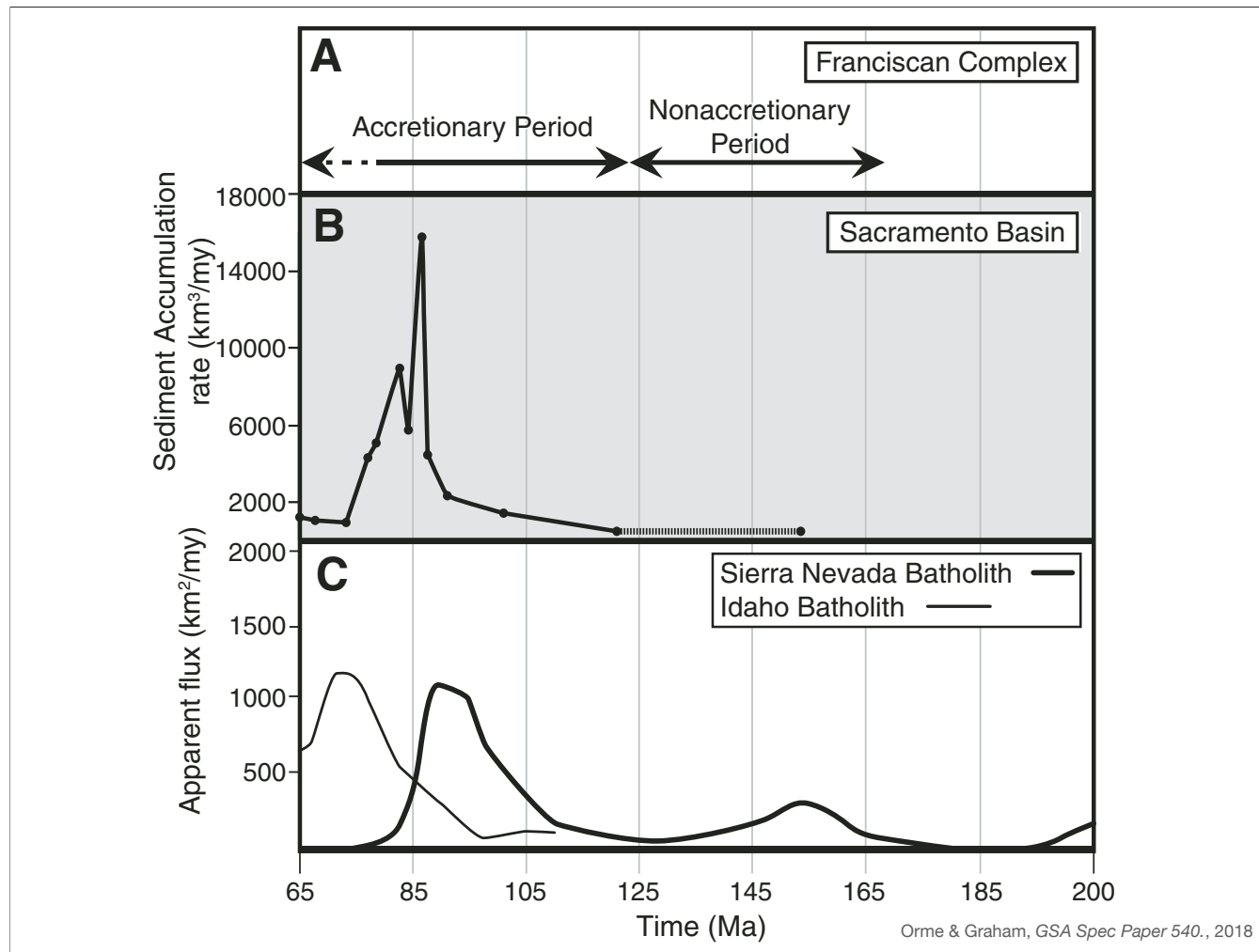




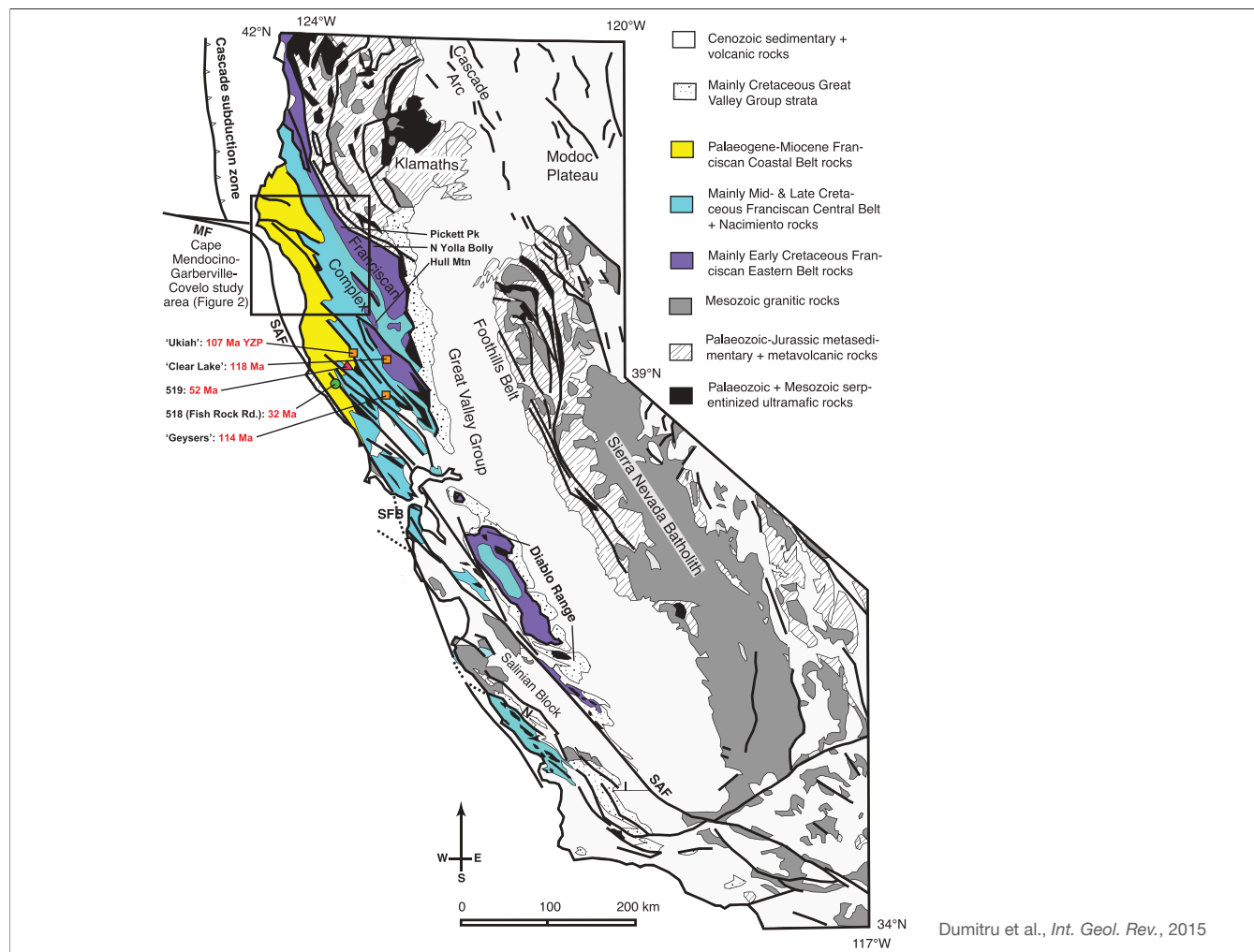
Compilation of a lot of detrital zircons



...leads to ability to infer some paleogeography



Most sedimentation in the Sacramento Valley from Sierra eroding—generally overlaps with time when Franciscan was accumulating...



Reference map of Franciscan.



A typical view of the Franciscan



Here can see the serpentinite framework with a high-grade (blueschist?) boulder above



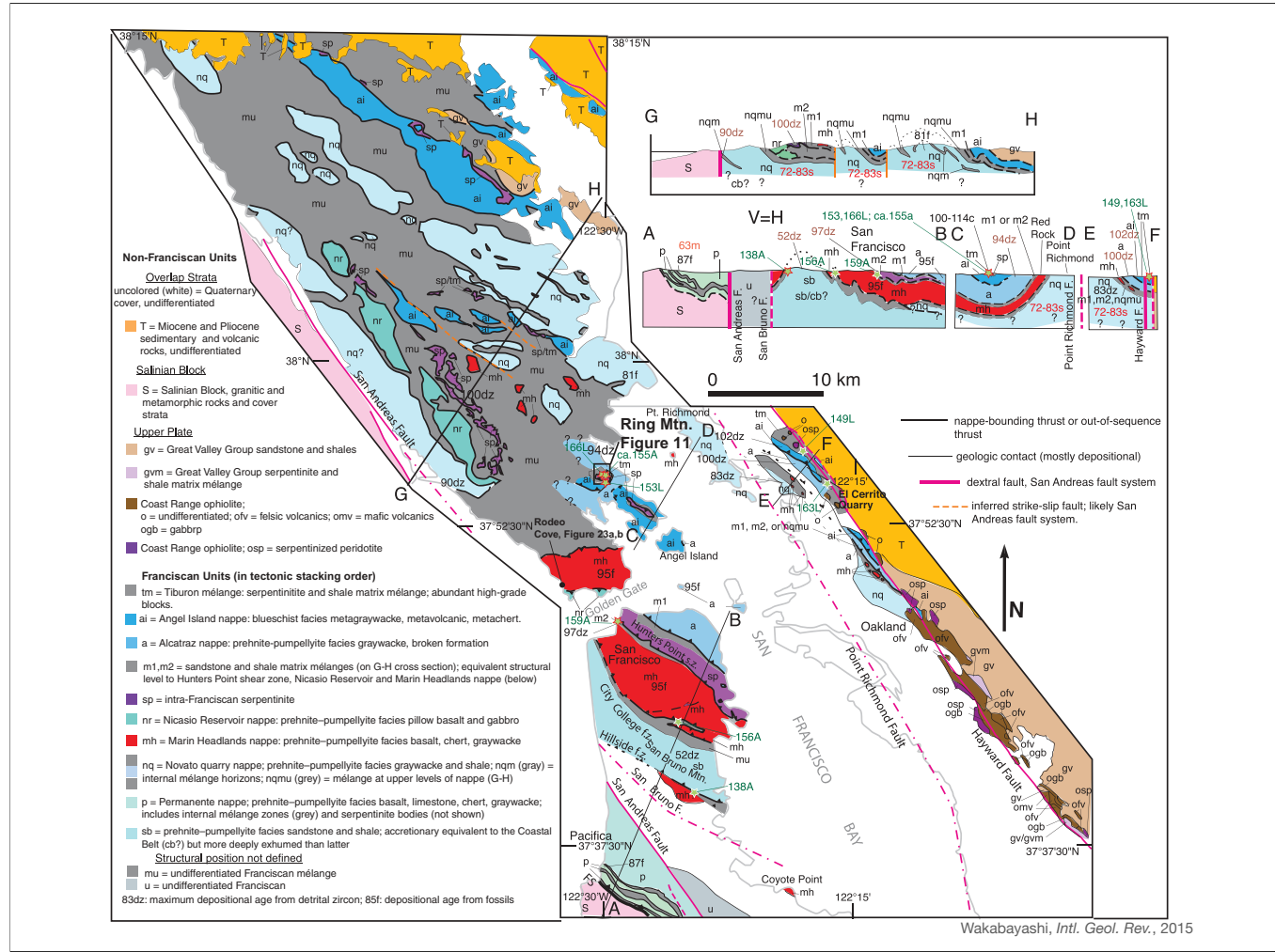
Fabric in a Blueschist



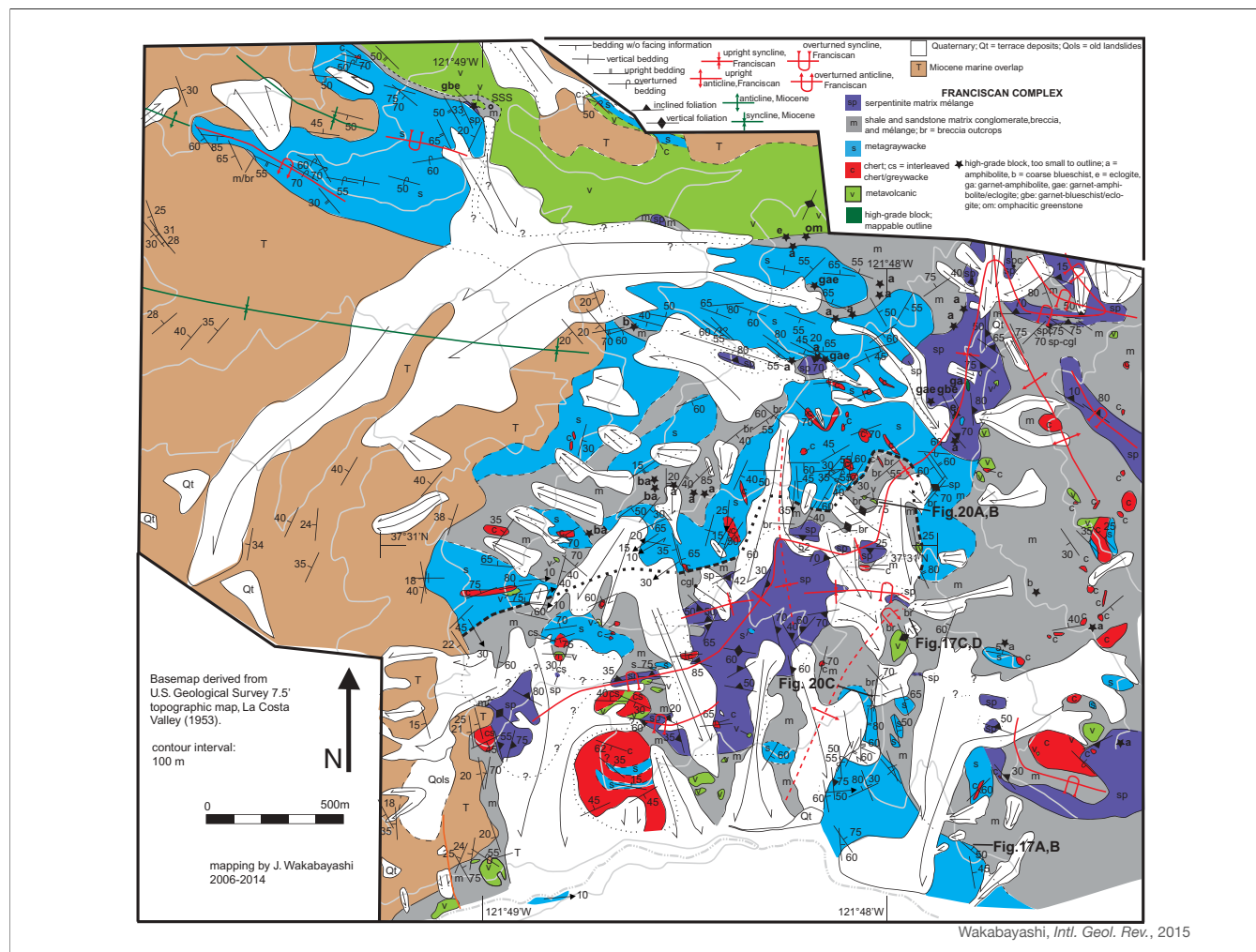
Detail of the blueschist



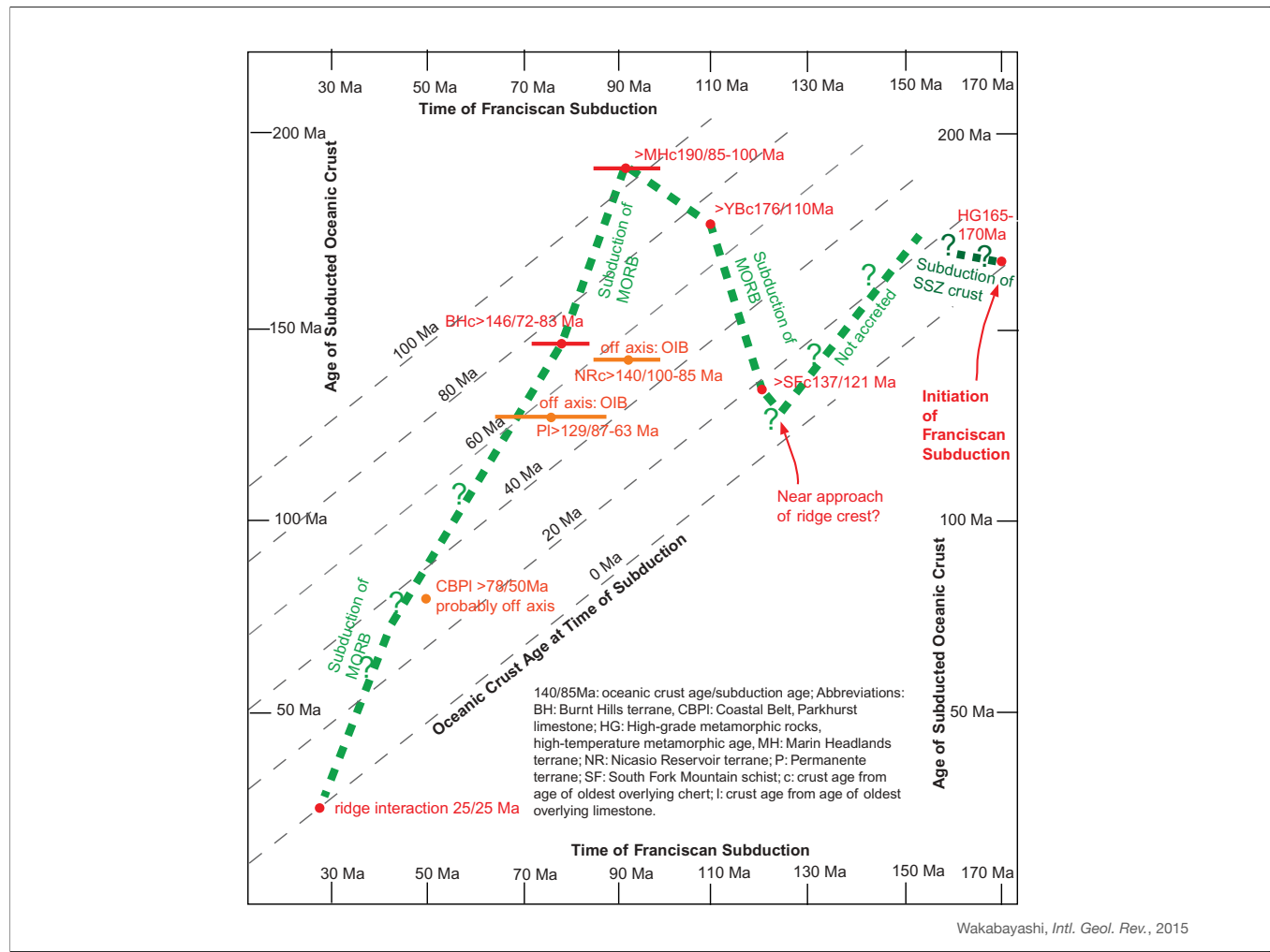
Pillow lavas in Franciscan



Why it is a “complex”: coherent chunks are lost in melange (grays here)



Note the scale here—illustrates just how crazy this is. Note the coherent blocks of graywacke. Also note all the landslides...

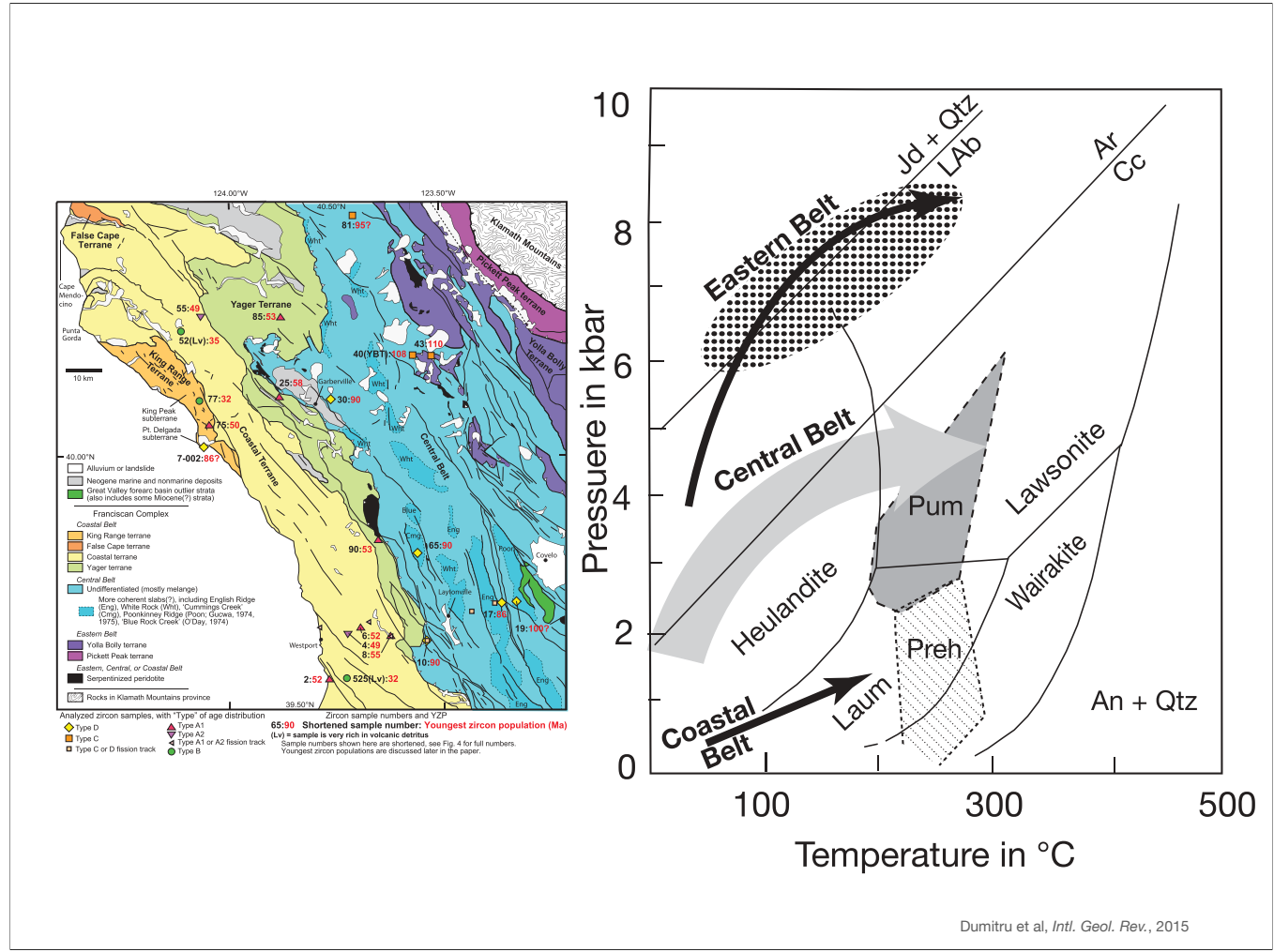


Note pretty continuous accretion from 120 Ma to 70 Ma

Figure 9. Plot showing accretionary versus ocean crust age of various oceanic units in the Franciscan. Updated and revised from Wakabayashi et al. (2010). Accretionary age estimated from metamorphic ages or depositional age of clastic rocks associated with an oceanic crustal fragment. Oceanic crust age estimated by age of oldest pelagic sedimentary rocks overlying oceanic basalt from Murchey and Blake (1993) for YB, MH, BH, P, and CBP, and Murchey and Jones (1984) for NR. Subduction initiation age in young arc crust from Wakabayashi et al. (2010). SF ocean crust age estimated from young detrital zircon populations in chert overlying metabasite and SF subduction age from Ar–Ar metamorphic age (Dumitru et al. 2010). YB subduction age from analysis of previously published metamorphic ages and young detrital zircon populations (Dumitru et al. 2010). MH and NR subduction age upper limit from fossil age of clastic sedimentary rocks (Blake et al. 1984) and lower limit by regional analysis of geochronologic data (Dumitru et al. 2015). BH subduction age estimate from estimate of depositional age of clastic sedimentary rocks from this study (Section 4.5). Subduction age of P upper limit from youngest pelagic sediments (Sliter 1984; Sliter and McGann 1992) and lower limit from plate model of Tarduno et al. (1985). Subduction age for CBP estimated from age of clastic sedimentary rocks from Dumitru et al. (2013, 2015). Determination of OIB geochemistry of NR and P from Ghatak et al. (2012), whereas CBP inferred by general relationship of limestone section overlying basaltic rocks. MORB geochemistry of SF and MH from Wakabayashi et al. (2010) and Ghatak et al. (2012). MORB is inferred for YB and BH on the basis of chert (and no associated limestone) overlying basaltic rocks. The subducted ocean plate age after BH is poorly constrained and has been adjusted to be older than CBP at the time of CBP subduction on the basis of the off-axis interpretation of CBP.



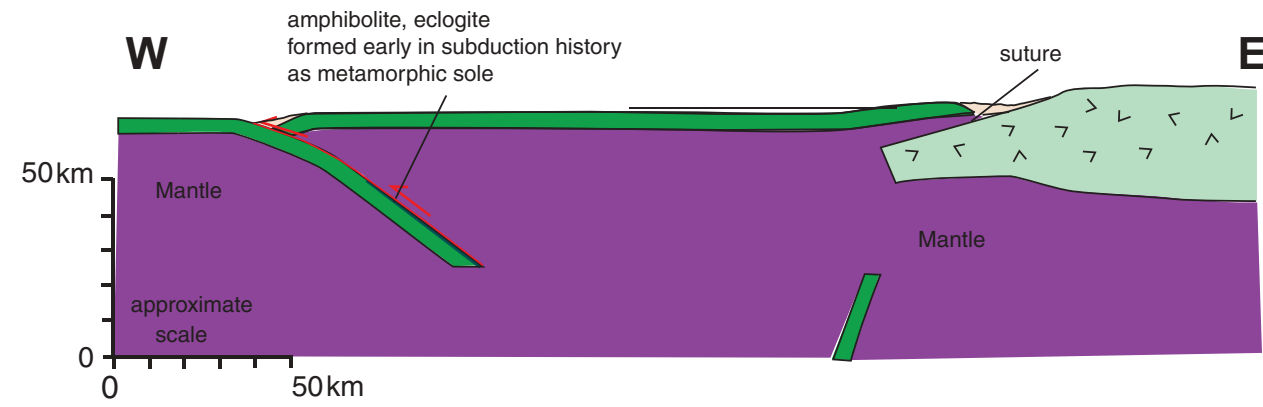
NW California shows in map view the progression from east to west with younger deposits.



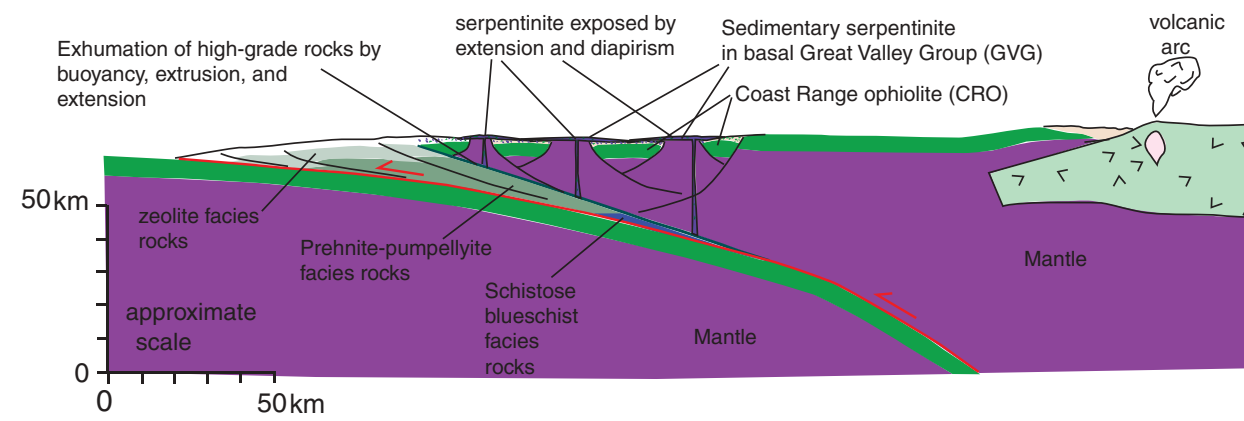
In addition to age progression, older stuff generally had a higher pressure history.

Dumitru et al, *Intl. Geol. Rev.*, 2015

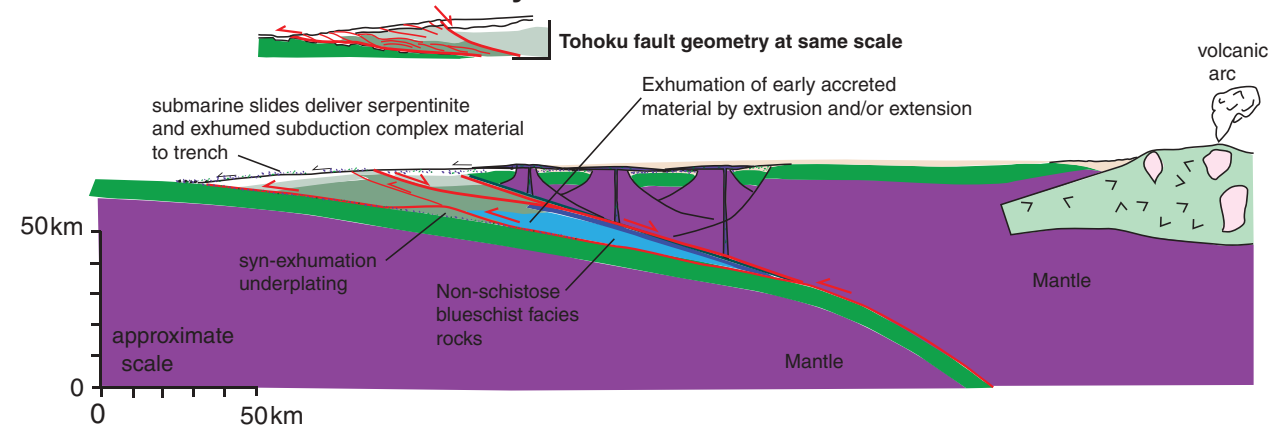
a Ca. 165 Ma subduction initiation



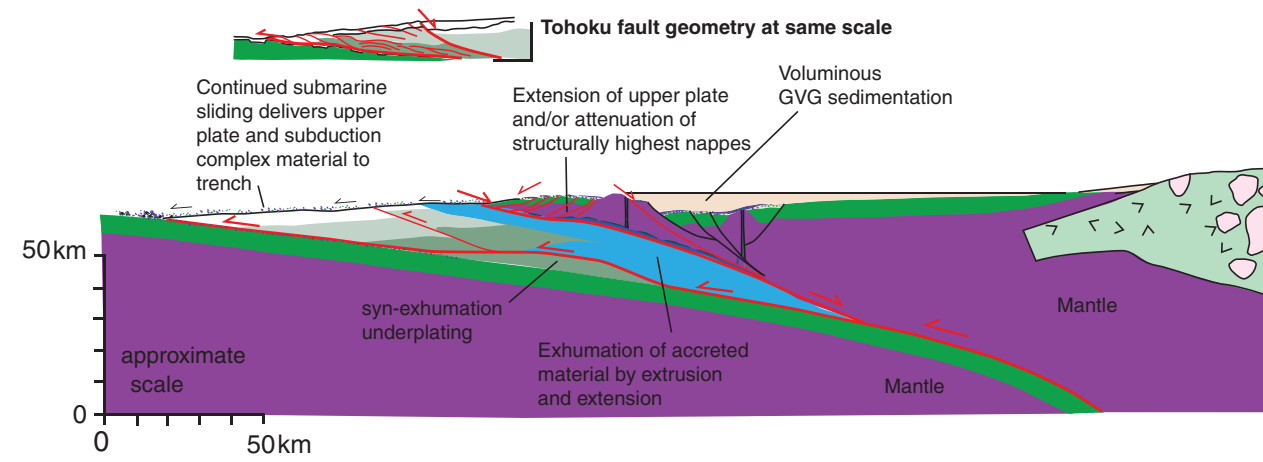
b Ca. 150-135 Ma early serpentinite sedimentation



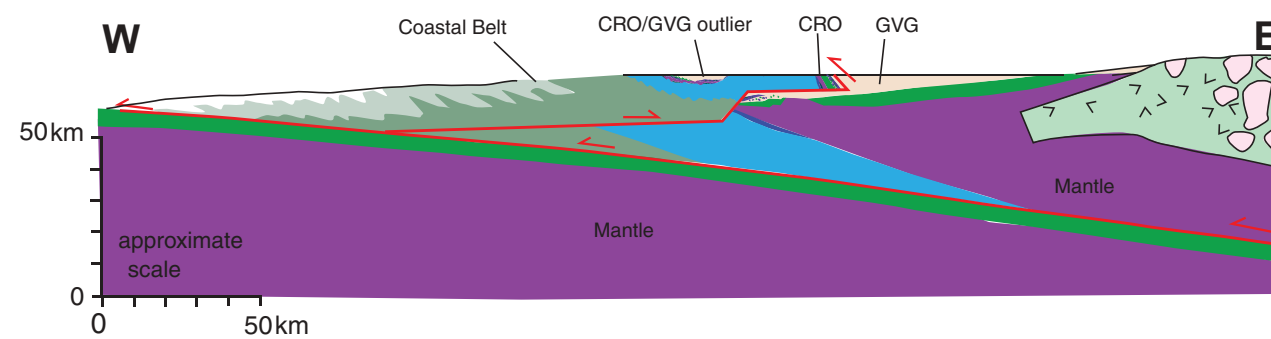
c Ca. 120-100 Ma Early Clastic Accretion and Exhumation



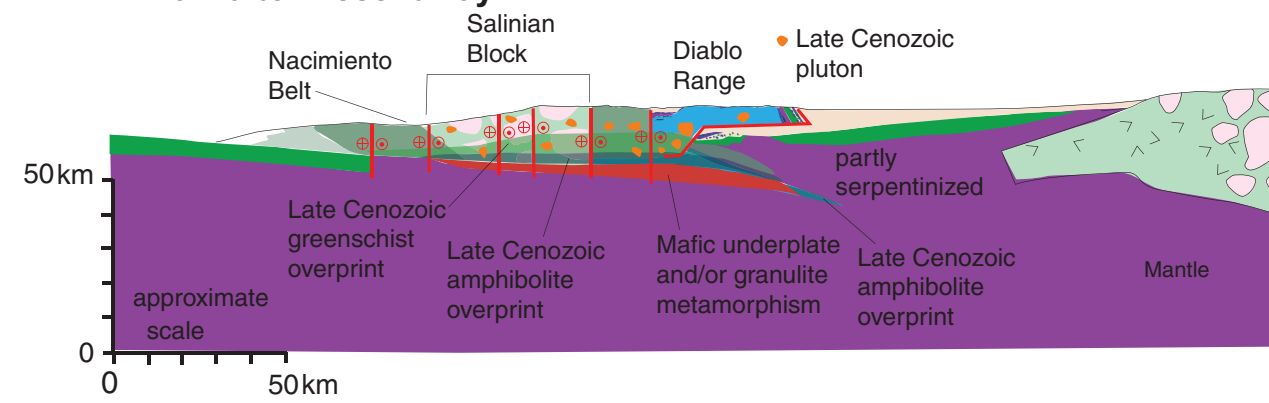
d Ca. 100-70 Ma Clastic Accretion and Exhumation

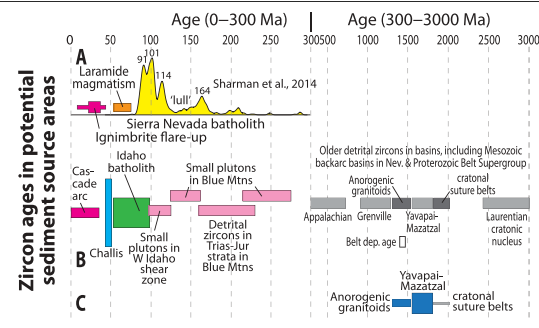


e Ca. 70-20 Ma Tectonic wedging/frontal accretion

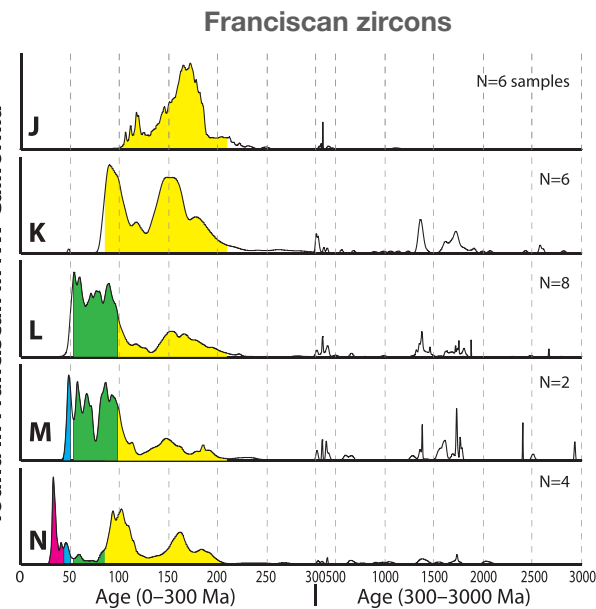


f 20 Ma to Present Day

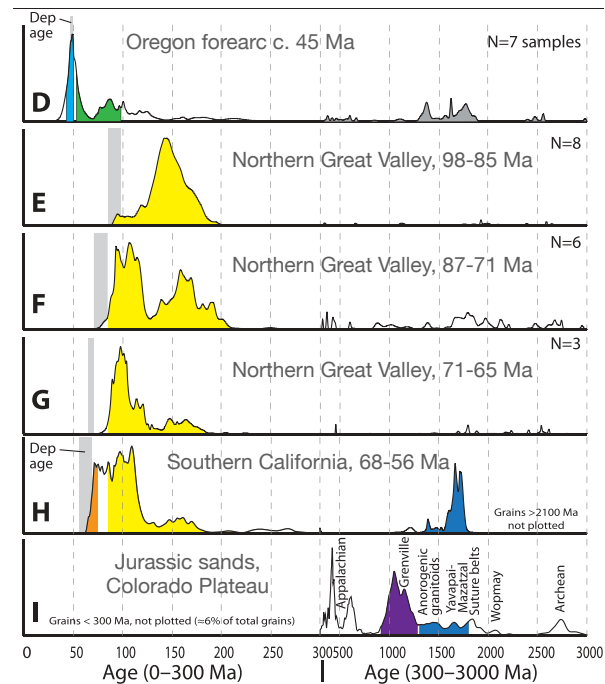


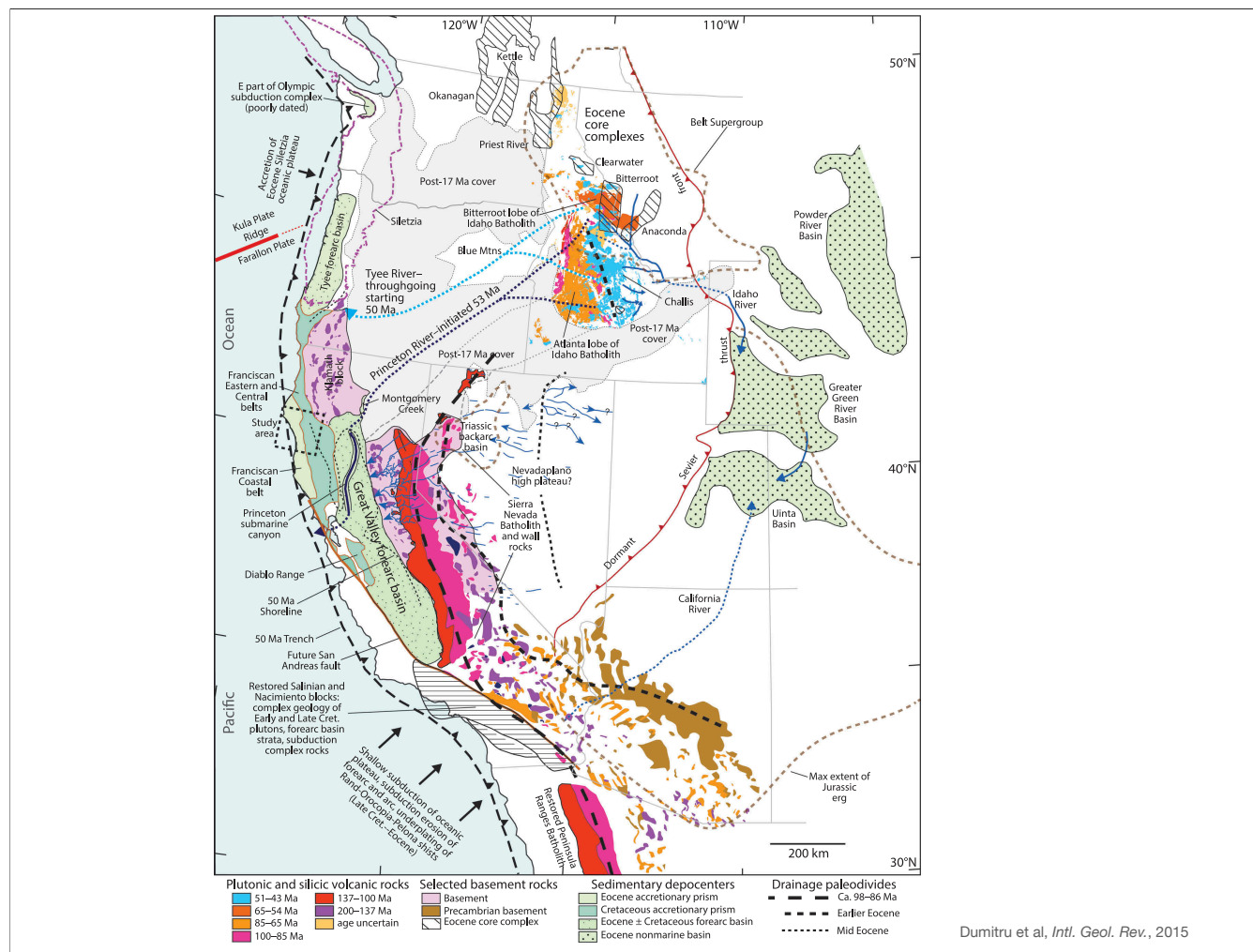


Five Types of detrital distributions found in Franciscan in NW California



Reference zircons





Result suggests Franciscan is local and not far-travelled, but that major river breached the immediate basin c 50 Ma to bring in debris from Idaho (this showed up on the earlier forearc DZ plots). Note other divides shown here