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This thesis forms part of the research projects developed and performed at the Geoscience Center of the Georg-August University of Göttingen (GZG), Germany, focusing on the interactions between tectonics, volcanism, and sedimentation in Central Andes. This sub-project addresses the application of detailed sedimentary facies and sediment provenance analyses to constraint and refine our picture of the Cenozoic evolution. Working on this thesis lasted around three and a half years and was financially supported by the Deutscher Akademischer Austausch Dienst (DAAD) (Referat 416, Kennziffer A/09/98944) and the Geoscience Center of the Georg-August University of Göttingen, Department of Sedimentology and Environmental Geology (Prof. Dr. Hilmar von Eynatten).

Outline of the thesis

For the readers accustomed to monographic doctoral dissertations, here is a short explanation of the layout of this thesis. The bulk of this thesis consists of research articles published and to be submitted in relevant international journals. These manuscripts are organized in logical order and presented as chapters. Because these chapters represent stand-alone insights, there are some overlaps between them. For instance, the protagonist articles that are included in this manuscript are preceded by an abstract, an introduction to the research, and a brief regional geological context, where the previous works are also outlined as well as some open questions. A final chapter in this thesis addresses a short discussion of the main results and summarizes the main outcome.

In synthesis, Chapter 1 provides an introduction of the study, methods applied, a general overview of the orogeny of the Central Andes and a brief description of the geology in the study area. This chapter presents open questions related to problems on Cenozoic stratigraphy of southern Peruvian forearc (emphasizing the Camaná Formation and the Moquegua Group).

Chapter 2 focuses on characterizing sedimentary deposits of the Cenozoic Camaná Formation in terms of facies analysis and relative sea-level fluctuations (sequence stratigraphy). This definition allows presenting, with verifiable data, a thorough evaluation of the interplay between tectonics and eustatism in the study area. Furthermore, defining depositional settings for the Camaná Formation provides a new stratigraphic framework for the Camaná Basin fill (Alvn and von Eynatten, 2014).

Chapter 3 presents petrographic studies of heavy minerals for each depositional unit of the Camaná Formation, characterizing their representative mineral assemblage in order to define its sedimentary provenance. For the first time, this thesis proposes a provenance model for the Camaná Formation. That provenance model is supported by U-Pb geochronology (from detrital zircon and titanite) and chemical LA-ICP-MS analysis of detrital titanite. Zircon U-Pb youngest age components from reworked ashes provide the best estimate of sedimentation ages and significantly refine the chrono-stratigraphic framework for the Camaná Formation (Alvn et al., 2015). The refined stratigraphy and the sediment provenance model of the Camaná Formation are key for the definition of at least two main geodynamic events in the study area during Cenozoic.

Chapter 4 proposes geodynamic links between the sediment filling of the forearc (Caman and Moquegua Basins) and the position of the Western and Coastal Cordilleras during Cenozoic. By combining data on sediment provenance of the Caman Formation (Alvn et al., 2015) with previous data on the Moquegua Group (Decou et al., 2011, 2013), it is possible to demonstrate connectivity between the Moquegua and Caman Basins, and to further relate their sediment fillings to differential uplift and erosion of the Coastal Cordillera and Western Cordillera. On the other hand, the causes of a ~25 Ma marine ingression onto the forearc are discussed here.

Chapter 5 consists on integrating onshore and offshore information of the both Caman and Mollendo Basins (Mollendo Basin = Caman offshore). This chapter highlights the most striking features on onshore facies that are useful to correlate with their counterparts in Caman offshore. Provenance information and U-Pb geochronology (all from onshore deposits) supports a regional tectono-chronostratigraphic framework for the entire Caman-Mollendo basin.

Chapter 6 summarizes the most relevant results of each previous chapter and presents them sequentially in order to illustrate the evolution of this part of the Central Andes during Cenozoic. This chapter discusses the relationship between differential uplift of the Western and Coastal Cordilleras and sediment generation occurred within Moquegua and Camaná Basins.

The Appendix section includes the database of zircon and titanite U-Pb geochronology, LA-ICP-MS chemical analyses on titanite, interpreted seismic information of Camaná offshore and personal information about the author.

Abstract

There are consistent evidences that during Cenozoic, Peruvian forearc (northern Central Andes) was strongly influenced by, in broad terms, differential tectonic stresses in terms of shortening, uplift, and exhumation. However, the type of link between such stresses and its timing are still matter of several discussions. To unravel the mystery of this mechanism, this thesis focuses on studying the sedimentary filling of the forearc (Moquegua Group in the Moquegua Basin and Camaná Formation in the Camaná Basin) because they best represent the interplaying between geodynamics and sedimentation. By means of facies analysis, sequence stratigraphy and studies on sediment provenance, the tectono-sedimentary evolution of this part of the Central Andes can be illustrated, as well as the timing of uplift of the basin borders. These borders are the Western Cordillera (at the eastern side of the Moquegua Group) and the Coastal Cordillera of southern Peru (between the Camaná Formation and the Moquegua Group).

This thesis focuses on sediment provenance analysis of the Cenozoic Camaná Formation, and involves applying heavy mineral analysis and advanced multi-methodical techniques for instance, geochemistry of single grains (LA-ICP-MS) and U-Pb geochronology. To accomplish this goal, it is needed firstly a new stratigraphic framework.

Deposits of Camaná Formation have been matter of several discussions since its stratigraphic definition due to the high complexity in facies distribution. This thesis accomplished a detailed facies analysis based on several outcrop revisions. Facies analysis allowed division of Camaná Formation into two units with different sedimentary settings: CamA (lower part) and CamB (upper part). CamA unit consists of coarse-grained deltaic deposits and is subdivided into three sub-units with different deltaic geometries, i.e. (i) channelized fills and sand bars (sub-unit A1), (ii) prograding deposits (clinothem of sub-unit A2), and (iii) onlapping deposits and local conglomerates (sub-unit A3). CamB unit consists of fluvial conglomerates with minor intercalations of marine sediments at the base. Afterwards, these deposits have been evaluated under concepts of sequence stratigraphy to be compared to Cenozoic eustatic global cycles. The results yielded that sub-units A1 and A2 have been deposited during a *regressive systems tract*, which contrasts to the overall eustatic rise that begun at Late Oligocene and finished at around Middle Miocene. Onlapping deposits of sub-unit A3 are consistent with such eustatic rise (until Middle Miocene) and are considered as deposited during a *transgressive systems tract*. Conglomerates of CamB unit are considered as *highstand systems tract* or the beginning of a new relative sea-level fall (*?falling stage systems tract*) at Late Miocene. However, given the onset of major valley incision at Late Miocene in southern Peru, this thesis considers that geodynamic factors (uplift) influenced more than eustatism for deposition of CamB unit.

This analysis demonstrates that coarse-grained deltas of CamA are response of marked uplift of a basin border (i.e. the Coastal Cordillera) and fluvial conglomerates of CamB reflect drastic uplift of the Western Cordillera. Results on provenance studies of the Camaná Formation presented in this thesis will confirm these statements.

A provenance model for the Camaná Formation has been accomplished by means of a combination of analysis such as detrital U-Pb geochronology, analysis of heavy mineral spectra, and chemical analyses (LA-ICP-MS) from sediments of each sub-unit of the Camaná Formation. This thesis considers that volcanic emissions in Central Andes were closely simultaneous to sedimentary deposition, as several authors suggested. Accordingly, the youngest zircon U-Pb age components from reworked ash within the Camaná Formation resembles sedimentation ages. In this context, radiometric dating yielded age components between ~23 and ~14 Ma for CamA unit, where zircons from sub-unit A2 yielded youngest age components of 23.0 ± 0.4 Ma, 21.7 ± 1.3 Ma, and 20.0 ± 0.6 Ma, and the topmost sub-unit A3 yields 13.6 ± 0.4 Ma. Consequently, coarse-grained deltas of the Camaná Formation (sub-units A2 and A3) span ~9 Myr duration of sedimentation from Early Miocene to Middle Miocene (Aquitania to Langhian). There are no Cenozoic ages observed within the lowermost part of the Camaná Formation (sub-unit A1). However, with the given onset of intense volcanism at ~24 Ma (Huayllillas volcanic arc), as well as some similarities in heavy minerals between the lowermost part of the Camaná Formation (sub-unit A1) and its counterpart in the hinterland Moquegua Basin

(Moquegua Group), the age of sub-unit A1 is considered as Late Oligocene. In upper strata, the youngest U-Pb age components within CamB unit are 12.4 ± 0.3 Ma at the base, and 7.5 ± 0.4 Ma near the top, thus the ages span from the late Middle Miocene (Serravalian) to the Late Miocene. However, the remaining and topmost part of CamB unit is still undated and may extend to Pliocene. Accordingly, sediments of Camaná Formation are equivalent to the upper part of the Moquegua Group in the Moquegua Basin (i.e. ~30-15/10 Ma MoqC unit and ~15/10-4 Ma MoqD unit). For the first time, this thesis provides a consistent chronostratigraphic framework of the Camaná Formation based on zircon U-Pb geochronology, and it is the first step to propose further and consistent comparisons in chronology between the Camaná Formation and the upper part of the Moquegua Group.

Such chronostratigraphic framework allowed elaborating a consistent provenance model for the Camaná Formation. The results suggest that sediments of CamA unit (except sub-unit A1) are widely derived from the rocks forming the Coastal Cordillera (i.e. San Nicolas Batholith and Arequipa Massif) plus abundant contributions of the widespread ignimbrites of ~24-10 Ma Huaylillas volcanism. However, minor proportions of sediments within CamA unit show minor contribution from the hinterland Western Cordillera (i.e. Coastal Batholith, and Tacaza Group), which are the main source rocks of the MoqC unit. Consequently, sediments of CamA unit suggest main provenance of the Coastal Cordillera and confirm its uplift and exhumation since Late Oligocene. Conversely, sediments of CamB unit are largely derived from the rocks forming the Western Cordillera (i.e. the Arequipa Massif, the Coastal Batholith, and the Toquepala and Tacaza Groups) plus significant contribution of the widespread ~10-3 Ma Lower Barroso volcanic arc, which is also reflected in sediments of the MoqD unit of the Moquegua Group. Consequently, conglomerates of CamB and MoqD units reflects quite similar provenance and it is a good argument to state that these deposits were a unique deposition, which started from the Moquegua Basin (or the Western Cordillera). Heavy minerals of CamB unit reflect a drastic shift in sediment provenance in relation to sediments of CamA unit, and confirm drastic uplift of the Western Cordillera at Late Miocene.

On the other hand, a revision on the sedimentary facies of the Moquegua Group (MoqC and MoqD units) has been accomplished under genetic terms to highlight their most prominent features, and to be compared to the facies of the Camaná Formation. Facies analysis on sediments of MoqC unit reveals that its alluvial, fluvial, and lacustrine deposits are representative of a "*balanced-fill fluvio-lacustrine basin*". This term suggests that the proportion of sediments and water closely equaled accommodation space in Moquegua Basin. However, such proportion periodically exceeded its accommodation space, overflowing into the Camaná Basin and joining sediments of the CamA unit, although in minor proportions as provenance studies suggested. Conversely, during deposition of MoqD unit, large proportions of sediments and water overflowed the Moquegua Basin mostly due to strong uplift of the Western Cordillera, triggering a protracted deposition (i.e. CamB). This setting is considered as "*overfilled fluvio-lacustrine basin*". Overall, these statements can explain the existence of paleo-drainages that cross the Coastal Cordillera and permitted the transit of minor proportions of sediments, for instance, MoqC and CamA depositions (~30 to ~14 Ma). Afterwards, this paleo-drainage became more evident during deposition of MoqD and CamB, leading the most relevant change in sediment provenance in both of the basin fills (~12 to ~4 Ma).

The relationships between the depositional settings of MoqC and CamA units, and between the MoqD and CamB units can be better illustrated if we roughly estimate uplifts of the Coastal Cordillera and divide them into two main stages. (i) Between ~30 and ~14 Ma, the Western Cordillera and the Coastal Cordillera played an important role in generation of sediments of MoqC unit and CamA unit, by means of their respective and simultaneous uplifts. (ii) According to U-Pb geochronology and present-day elevation of the CamA-CamB boundary, the uplift of Western Cordillera since ~12 Ma has largely exceeded uplift of the Coastal Cordillera. This drastic difference is reflected in predominance of conglomerates of Late Miocene age (MoqD and CamB units) along the two basins.

In consequence, simultaneous and differential uplift of the Coastal Cordillera and Western Cordillera, as well as simultaneous creation of accommodation space during deposition reflect combined structural settings in the southern Peruvian forearc.

A further integration of all studies accomplished on the Camaná Formation onshore with the interpreted seismic information of the Camaná Formation offshore (Mollendo Basin) illustrates a consistent geodynamic scenario. The first results suggest that structural behavior of fault systems located on the Coastal and Western Cordilleras was markedly vertical (uplift) with transtensional and sinistral components between ~30 and ~14 Ma. At this stage, beside uplift of the cordilleras, accommodation spaces were simultaneously created in the Pacific Piedmont and the offshore of Camaná. The interpreted seismic data suggest that structural framework in the offshore of Camaná consists of extensive ~NW-SE and NE-SW normal and listric synsedimentary faults. These faults facilitated enough accommodation space for sediment deposition as seen close to the large valleys (e.g. depocentres near Ocoña, Camaná, and Punta del Bombón).

Chapter 1:

Introduction

1.1. Aims and motivation

In a convergent tectonic setting such as the subduction of the Nazca Plate beneath the South American continent, the sedimentary deposits of the fault-bounded Moquegua and Camaná Basins in southern Peru are excellent candidates to evaluate and to constraint the Cenozoic geodynamic evolution. In general, the origin of forearc sedimentary basins in Central Andes are strongly related to different types of crustal deformations (e.g. Isacks, 1988; Jaillard et al., 2000). However, in detail, there are still several controversies about the origin of these basins and their geodynamic styles; for instance, basement uplift and/or subsidence, and creation of accommodation spaces. Generally, forearc basins are widely covered by Cenozoic sedimentary rocks, and they have different stratigraphic nomenclature along the southern Peruvian and northern Chilean forearc (e.g. Pisco Formation, Camaná Formation, Moquegua Group, Azapa Formation).

To unravel the geodynamic history of Central Andes, it is needed firstly to focus on how the Coastal Cordillera of southern Peru has exerted influence on sedimentation in forearc, in this case, on the Cenozoic Camaná Formation (Rivera, 1950; Rüegg, 1957; Pecho and Morales, 1969). Studies on sediment provenance of the Camaná Formation can explain the complex relationship between geodynamics and sediment generation, and this will become the main topic of this thesis. In that context, the combination of a provenance model of the Camaná Formation, U-Pb geochronology and single grain geochemistry is highly relevant to explain not only depositional ages, but also ages to reinforce the provenance scenario. This provenance scenario implies identifying uplift timing for each cordillera and provide estimations in the proportions of uplift for each cordillera (km). The integration of facies analysis, provenance studies, and interpreted seismic information of the Camaná Formation is expected to explain the progressive accumulation of sediments in the forearc, in terms of geodynamics and chronology, and to provide keys for understanding the geodynamic evolution of this part of the Central Andes. At the same time, these clues result as tools for exploration of potential natural resources.

1.1.1. Expectative

This thesis considers the Camaná Formation as a complex of coarse-grained deltas, It is needed to characterize these deposits in terms of relative sea-level fluctuations as first step to define if either uplift of basin borders or eustatism have exerted influence on deposition in forearc. The next step is proposing a new chronostratigraphic framework for the Camaná Formation by using the youngest zircon U-Pb age components of reworked ash to resemble sedimentation ages, and prepare the basis for a provenance scenario. The provenance scenario will be completed by combining multi-method analysis i.e. U-Pb geochronology of detrital zircon and titanite, heavy mineral analysis and chemical analysis (LA-ICP-MS) on titanites. The benefits of this combination are: (i) to establish the dispersal paths that link the sandstone composition of the Camaná Formation to its provenance area, (ii) to explain the sedimentary and geodynamic links between the Moquegua and the Camaná Basins, and (iii) to define the history of uplift (and/or subsidence) of the blocks bounding the Moquegua and Camaná Basins (i.e. Western Cordillera and Coastal Cordillera).

1.2. Sedimentary provenance analysis

There are several controversies concerning to the definition of the Cenozoic stratigraphy in southern Peru, which became more intense since the addition of radiometric dating in the latest decades (e.g. Noble et al., 1974; Tosdal et al., 1981; Sempere et al., 2004). This thesis considers highly relevant using several geological parameters, like detailed stratigraphic sections, refined cartography, and paleontology as complement to support previous chronostratigraphic frameworks. However, convincing arguments that support such chronostratigraphy and sedimentary history, still remain in uncertainty while consistent evidences about the provenance of these sediments are not presented.

We agree that tectonics is the primary control on sediment composition as Pettijohn et al. (1987) suggested. Following this principle, several methods have been proposed after this statement to unravel the type of tectonic setting of a given basin by investigating sediments, and they are the basis for sedimentary provenance studies. Classically, provenance characterization is based on the modal composition of framework grains (e.g. Blatt, 1967; Dickinson, 1970; Ingersoll et al., 1984), which allow for developing tectonic discrimination schemes by means of quantitative analysis of sediment composition (e.g. Dickinson and Suczek, 1979; Dickinson, 1985). Bhatia (1983), Bhatia and Crook (1986), and Roser and Korsch (1986) demonstrated that there exists a close correlation between the geochemical composition of sandstone and the tectonic setting of a sedimentary basin. Moreover, according to the progressive improvement of these analyses, additional factors that can occur during sedimentation arise (e.g. weathering, transportation, and diagenesis), and complicate the understanding of the sedimentation history.

Since the 80's, the analysis of heavy minerals became a useful and sensitive technique for determining the provenance of clastic sediments, and the interpretation became considerably enhanced by determining the composition of individual single grain in terms of geochemistry (e.g. Haughton, 1991). In that context, Morton (1985, 1991) proposed geochemical analysis (e.g. electron microprobe) on individual heavy minerals (e.g. garnet, pyroxene, and amphibole).

Mange and Maurer (1992) and Morton and Hallsworth (1994) considered that including the study of assemblages of source-diagnostic heavy minerals permits better constraints on identifying the location and nature of source areas, the pathway by which sediments are transferred from source to sink (e.g. paleo-drainages), and the factors that influence the composition of sedimentary rocks (e.g. tectonic behavior). In that context, a well-known catalog of heavy minerals by M. Mange and H. Maurer in 1992 was a major step towards correct mineral identification used until nowadays. Nonetheless, the study of heavy minerals was considerably enhanced since multi-methodical analysis are complemented to provenance studies (e.g. U-Pb, [U-Th]/He, Ar-Ar, trace elements analyses, among others).

These methods offer the best trustable information useful to propose a consistent provenance scenario and overcome possible ambiguous information (von Eynatten and Dunkl, 2012). In this light, defining uplift and exhumation processes of basin borders and/or basement became widely used with success e.g. in Central Europe (von Eynatten and Gaupp, 1999; von Eynatten et al., 1999, 2008), in Northern Andes (Bande et al., 2011; Moreno et al., 2011), and in Central Andes, Scheuber et al., 2006; Wotzlav et al., 2011; Decou et al., 2011, 2013). This thesis considers that controversies on Cenozoic stratigraphy and sedimentation history can be solved by using provenance studies, and a consistent tectono-chronostratigraphic framework in the forearc deposits of southern Peru will be presented.

1.3. Analytical methods and procedures

To develop a reliable provenance model for the Camaná Formation, this thesis applied systematically strict procedures to obtain the heavy mineral fraction from the samples. In total, twenty-three samples were collected from the Camaná Formation among sandstones and reworked ashes, and eleven samples from potential source rocks (see Appendix). The sampling of potential source rocks consists of a wide variety of lithology, such as metamorphic (Arequipa Massif), plutonic (San Nicolas Batholith, Coastal Batholith, Toquepala Group, and Tacaza Group), volcanic (Toquepala Group and/or

Chocolate Formation), and sedimentary rocks (Mitu and Yura Groups) (see Section 1.4.1 for geological context).

The values of the heavy mineral components largely depends on the accuracy of sampling, which is carefully planned, and as well depends on how we manage the mechanical preparation of the samples (e.g. Mange and Maurer, 1992). The weight of the samples collected varies between ~1 and ~5 kg, because the heavy mineral concentrations in samples are largely different (for instance, mature sedimentary rocks versus placers). In broad terms, to accomplish a successful heavy mineral separation, we applied sequential procedures, as suggested in Mange and Maurer (1992), in the following order:

1. Disaggregation of coherent sediments to liberate individual grains (using the jaw-crusher machine),
2. Acid digestion to eliminate carbonates (acetic acid at 5% and later washing the samples),
3. Sieving to extract required grain sizes (250-125 μm and 125-63 μm),
4. Heavy mineral separation using high-density liquids (sodium polytungstate, $\rho = 2.87 \text{ g/cm}^3$), and magnetic properties (Frantz magnetic machine).

After obtaining the heavy mineral fraction (minerals with densities $>2.87 \text{ g/cm}^3$), the further sample processing was divided into two main parts, (i) samples for U-Pb geochronology and geochemistry (laser-ablation inductively-coupled-plasma mass-spectrometry LA-ICP-MS analysis), and (ii) samples for heavy mineral analysis. Each part deserves different procedures because the objective is different; for instance, the grain size needed for analysis of heavy mineral spectra is between 125 and 63 μm , and for dating and geochemical analysis is generally between 250 and 125 μm . The analytical procedures applied in this thesis to obtain the heavy mineral fraction and the methods to display the data, are explained in Chapter 3, Section 3.3.

1.4. The Central Andes in southern Peru, an overview

The Andes is one of the thickest non-collisional orogen on Earth that formed a large mountain chain by subduction of oceanic crust under a continental plate (Dewey and Bird, 1970). It consists of a ~8000 km long mountain chain (Fig. 1.1A) and ~3500 m height on average (Gansser, 1973). According to their latitudes and most prominent bendings, the Andes are divided into three segments: (i) Northern (in Ecuador, Colombia, and Venezuela), (ii) Central (in Peru, Bolivia, and northern Chile), and (iii) Southern Andes (in central and southern Chile-Argentina) (Sempere et al., 2002; Sempere and Jacay, 2008).

The study area is located on the western side of the Central Andes, which belongs to the northern part of the Central Andean Orocline (red box in Fig. 1.1B). The Central Andes Orocline is also known as "Bolivian Orocline" (e.g. Sempere et al., 1988). The most prominent geomorphological units within the Central Andean Orocline are the Coastal Cordillera, Western Cordillera, Altiplano, Eastern Cordillera, and the Subandes (Fig. 1.1B) (see Section 1.4.1 for further details).

The origin of the Central Andes is attributed to convergence between the South American Continent and the Pacific Oceanic Plate (James, 1971; Pardo-Casas and Molnar, 1987; Isacks, 1988), where the latter subducts under the continent in a roughly E-W direction (James, 1971; Jaillard et al., 2000) (orange arrows within Fig. 1.1B). This subduction have begun in the Late Cretaceous (Pardo-Casas and Molnar, 1987; Wigger, 1994; Sobolev and Babeyko, 2005) or even in the Jurassic (Jordan et al., 1983; Oncken et al., 2006). A combination of studies revealed that during such subduction existed differences in plate convergence parameters (e.g. different rates of convergence velocity, Pardo-Casas and Molnar, 1987; variations of subduction angle, Gutscher et al., 2000; mantle-driven thermal processes, Isacks, 1988; among other mechanisms). In this context, such evidences suggest that convergence triggered more than one consequent effect such as magmatism, topographic and geomorphic expressions, among other effects.

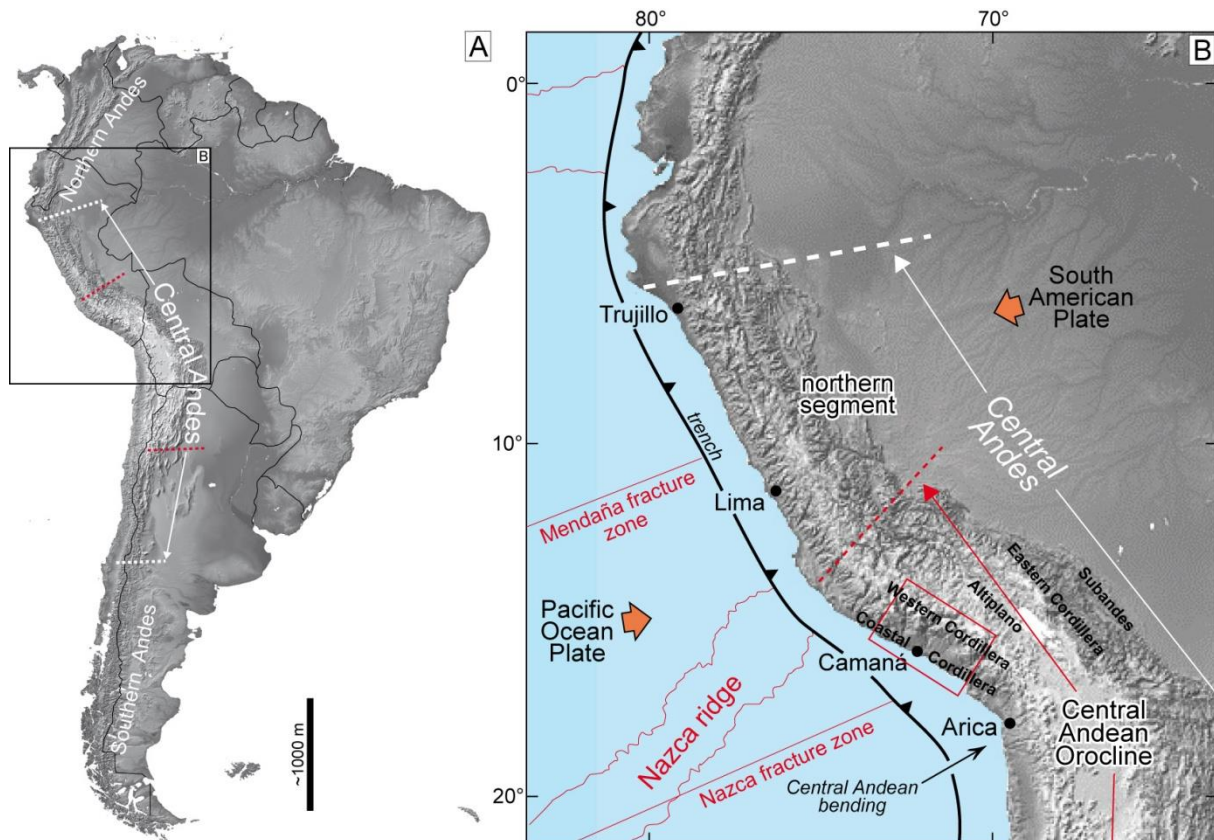


Fig. 1.1. Anatomy of South America. In A: Map showing the Andean Cordillera and its segments (i.e. Northern, Central and Southern Andes) according to Sempere et al. (2002). In B: Detail of Central Andes and the study area in red frame. Orange arrows indicate direction of convergence.

Calc-alkaline and sub-alkaline volcanic and magmatic rocks of Jurassic age crop out in several points along the Central Andes (e.g. Chocolate Formation and Ilo Segment of the Coastal Batholith, Martínez and Cervantes, 2003, and La Negra Formation) (see thin arrows in Fig. 1.2). These rocks are considered as early magmatism prior Andean orogeny (i.e. Guaneros and Chocolate volcanic arcs, Romeuf, 1994; Mamani et al., 2010b) and their basic composition suggest transtensive and/or transpressive displacements along Central Andes (Jaillard et al., 2000; Martínez and Cervantes, 2003; Jacay and Sempere, 2006). However, the deformational style during Cenozoic seems to be different, where uplift and exhumation of basement rocks characterize Andean orogeny (e.g. Oncken et al., 2006; Scheuber et al., 2006; Wotzlaw et al., 2011; Decou et al., 2013). Moreover, clear statements that explain deformational styles in Central Andes during Cenozoic are still poorly argued.

The last and most studied stage of the Andean history is Cenozoic. Complementary and simultaneous to Central Andean orogeny, occurred a wide variety of processes in the upper plate (Ramos and Aleman, 2000; Oncken et al., 2006) (Fig. 1.3). For instance, significant deformations i.e. shortening and uplift (e.g. Pitcher et al., 1985; Pardo-Casas and Molnar, 1987; Sébrier et al., 1988; Jaillard and Soler, 1996; Hampel, 2002; Oncken et al., 2006) and consequent crustal thickening (~70 km thick, Kley and Monaldi, 1998).

Geodynamic behavior of the Andes is different along each one of its segments (Sempere et al., 2008; Ramos and Aleman, 2000) as well as the steeping/flattening of their respective slab (Oncken et al., 2006). In this context, several multidisciplinary studies (e.g. James, 1971; Isacks, 1988; Mahlburg-Kay et al., 2005; Haschke et al., 2006) demonstrated that geodynamics in Central Andean Orocline is consequence of particular parameters in subduction, magmatism and crustal deformation. For instance, Haschke et al., 2006) proposed more than one phase of crustal thickening, arc magmatic

migration occurred every 30-40 Ma with temporal gaps in magmatism (of around 5-12 Myr). This cyclicity is related to arc migrations and tectonic activity (e.g. Haschke et al., 2006).

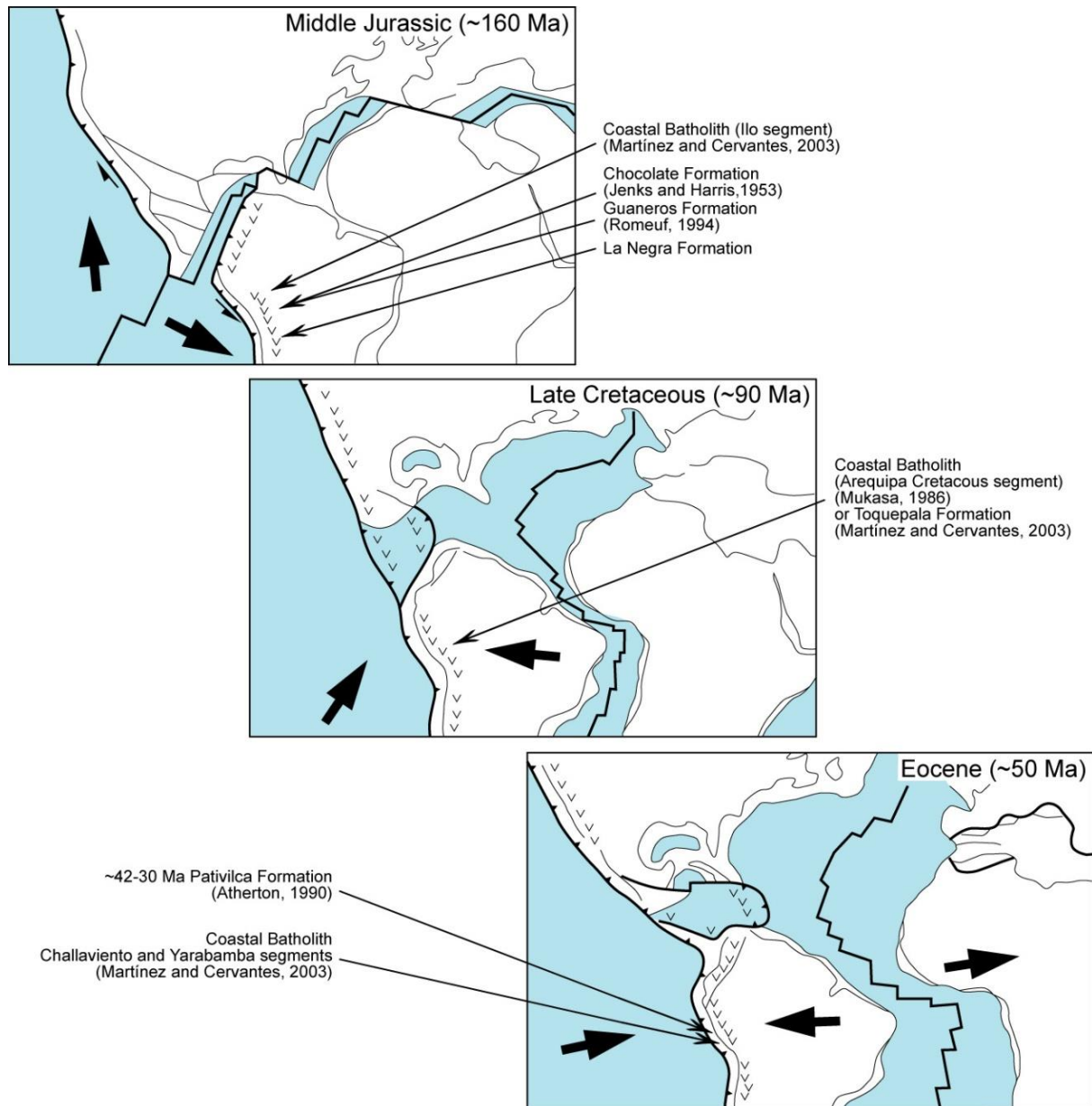


Fig. 1.2. Sketch of the plate tectonic evolution of the Andean margin since Mesozoic (after Jaillard et al., 2000). Black arrows indicate the most prominent magmatism (for more detail, see Mamani et al., 2010a). Note the marked changes in subduction direction assumed for each stage.

In general, slab steepening and rollback cause a westward prograding mantle wedge typically at velocities of ~10% of the plate convergence rate (Garfunkel et al., 1986). In South America, such slab steepening is reflected in increase of plate convergence rates, increase in the westward motion of the South American plate, slab bending and kinking (Figs. 1.3A and 1.3B, Haschke et al., 2006), and conversely, decreasing convergence obliquity (at 78-39 Ma, Pardo-Casas and Molnar, 1987; Somoza, 1998; Silver et al., 1998). In upper plate, it is reflected in narrowing of the Central Andes, incipient back-arc rifting and related alkaline magmatism (e.g. Coastal Batholith, Mamani et al., 2010a).

Slab bending and kinking occurred at 78-39 Ma is later succeeded by absence of magmatism and/or volcanism. Several authors agreed that subduction is the main cause of magmatism in Andes;

however, according to Haschke et al. (2002) subduction is also matter of magmatic quiescence. As appears, volcanic gaps in Central Andes are consequence of flat subduction because it prevent the development of asthenospheric mantle wedge (Haschke et al., 2006). In this context, the slab shallows again after 37 Ma (Figs. 1.3C and 1.3D, Haschke et al., 2006) in order to explain magmatic quiescence until the next magmatism and slab steepening (i.e. ~24-10 Ma Huaylillas volcanism, Mamani et al., 2010a and ~23-19 Ma Oxaya Formation, Wörner et al., 2000) (Figs. 1.3E and 1.3F). A major pulse of deformation without volcanism occurred later at mid-Oligocene and it has affected mostly the Eastern Cordillera and Western Cordillera of southern Peru (Gilder et al., 2003). Such flat subduction possibly reflects moreover an eastward bending of the forebulge of the shallow slab (Haschke et al., 2006; Mamani, 2006).

At Late Miocene, Thouret et al. (2007) and Schildgen et al. (2007, 2009b) suggested a last stage of major deformation in Central Andes occurred, where deep incision valleys across the Western and Coastal Cordilleras are the main evidences of uplift and shortening. According to these authors, such deformation is accompanied by extensive and widespread volcanism i.e. ~10-3 Ma Lower Barroso volcanic arc, Mamani et al., 2010a). Besides shortening, uplift, and magmatism in Central Andes, deformations are also reflected in large bendings interpreted by Roperch and Carlier (1992) and Roperch et al. (2006) as large tectonic counterclockwise rotations of basement rocks (i.e. southern Peru).

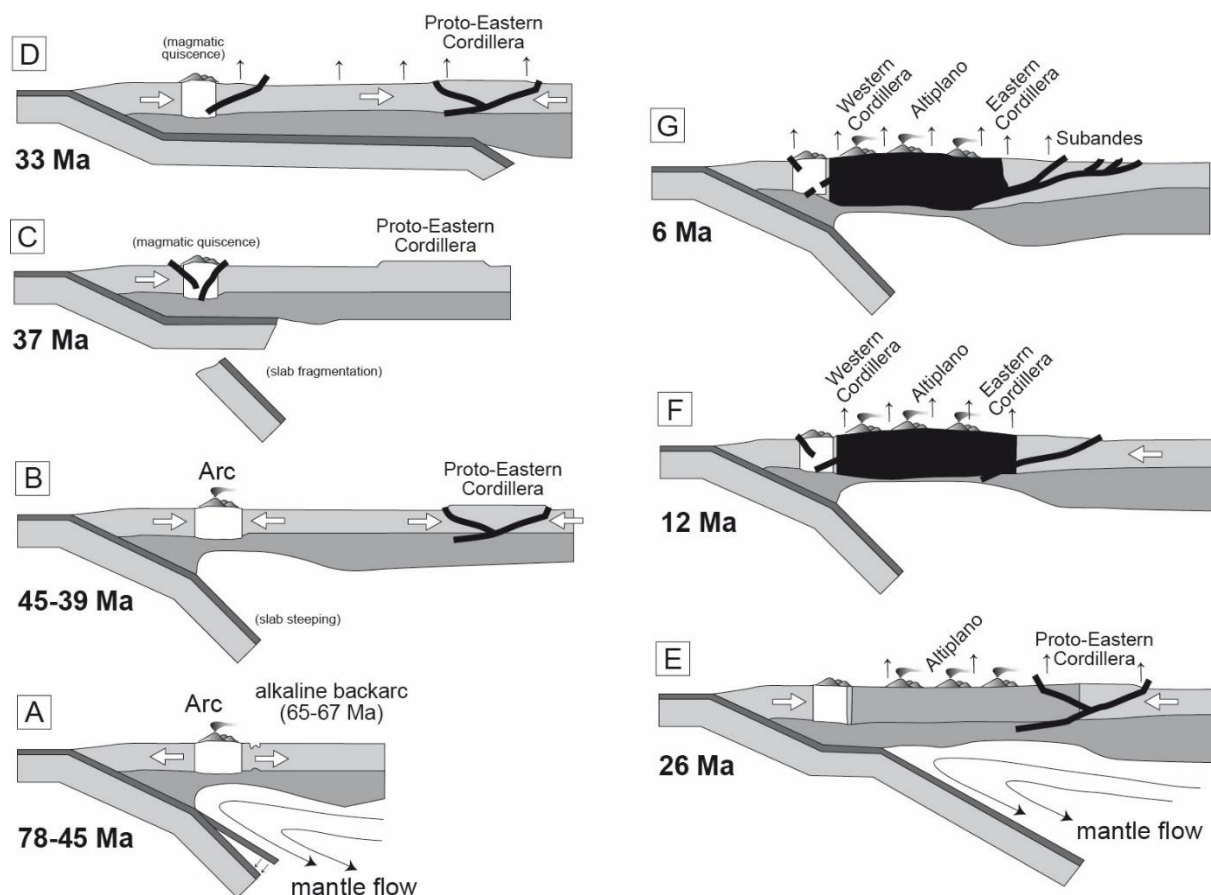


Fig. 1.3. Model of the development of the Central Andes (21°-26°S) proposed by Haschke et al. (2006). In A and B: Plate converge during Eocene showing slab bending and kinking due to dense asthenosphere. In C and D: Representation of flat-slab breakoff and subsequent flat-slab subduction (≈onset of major shortening and thickening of the crust? and magmatic quiescence, Mahlburg-Kay et al., 2005). In E, F, and G: Steepening of the slab and re-start of magmatism.

One of the most consistent hypothesis that can explain the origin and mechanism of such rotations consists on paleomagnetic analysis. Counterclockwise tectonic rotations have exerted strong

influence on geomorphology of the actual cordilleras in southern Peru i.e. Coastal Cordillera, Western Cordillera, and influence on faulting (i.e. Ica-Ilo-Islay Faults System, Cincha-LLuta-Incapuquio Faults System, Cusco-Lagunillas-Mañazo Faults System, etc.).

Roperch and Carlier (1992), Rousse et al. (2005) and Roperch et al. (2006) suggested that the maximal angle of counterclockwise rotation in Central Andes occurred at mid-Oligocene (~45°). The age of such deformation is coeval to the major stage of shortening suggested by Mahlburg-Kay et al. (2005) (~30 Ma). Conversely, counterclockwise rotations during Late Miocene drastically diminished (up to 10°), despite shortening and uplift were still intense mostly in Eastern Cordillera (Roperch et al., 1999; Rousse et al., 2002; Barke et al., 2004).

Many balanced-cross sections focused close to the widest part of the Central Andes (~20°S) suggest that contraction by folding and thrusting is the dominant mode of Cenozoic deformation, affecting mostly the Western Cordillera and the Subandes (e.g. Jordan and Alonso, 1987; Baby et al., 1997; Elger et al., 2005; Oncken et al., 2006; Sempere and Jacay, 2006). However, these authors mentioned a phase of transtension that occurred mostly in the western side of the Altiplano during Paleogene to early Neogene.

All these statements provide a general overview about the evolution of the Andes. Its deformational processes are intimately related to sediment generation (e.g. Pinto et al., 2007). For instance, systematic pulses (or continuous processes) of uplift and exhumation in Central Andes are reflected in the sedimentary filling that is located in the forearc of southern Peru and northern Chile, e.g. the Moquegua Group (Decou et al., 2011, 2013) and the Azapa and Diablo Formations (Wotzlav et al., 2011). Also in the Altiplano e.g. Chilca Formation (Carlotto, 1998; Perez and Horton, 2014), and the Eastern Cordillera (Jaillard et al., 2000, and references therein). According to Oncken et al. (2006) these deposits may reflect rapid erosion after formation of relief (since Eocene).

A debate on the onset of uplift of the Coastal Cordillera and Western Cordillera became more intense since the addition of thermochronological data to constrain amount of uplift. For instance, Late Miocene uplift is considered as consequence of uninterrupted uplift of the Western Cordillera and the Pacific Piedmont since Eocene (Schildgen et al., 2007; Thouret et al., 2007). Conversely, Garzzone et al. (2006, 2008) affirmed that it is a consequence of rapid uplift since ~10 Ma (resulting in ~3 km uplift). Clear statements that define continued and/or progressive uplift, or rapid and/or striking pulses for this part of the Andes are still lacking.

Recently, the study of sediment provenance in Southern Peru became a useful and consistent tool to unravel the deformation evolution of this part of the Central Andes. For instance, Pinto et al. (2007), Scheuber et al. (2006), Wotzlav et al. (2011), and Decou et al. (2011, 2013), among others, have documented stages of exhumation in the Western Cordillera and the Altiplano, pointing out that the most prominent stages occurred around Middle Eocene, Middle Oligocene, and Middle Miocene. According to Decou et al. (2011, 2013), uplift-related mechanisms are linked to the elevation of the Western Cordillera of southern Peru and later sediment filling in the forearc since ~50 Ma. These authors stated moreover that one of the major changes in sediment provenance are reflected within sediments of the Cenozoic Moquegua Group, and it is due to pulses of uplift of the basement blocks at around ~35 to ~30 Ma. It is consistent again with the major phase of thickening initiated around the Mid-Oligocene age (e.g. Mahlburg-Kay et al., 2005; Mamani et al., 2010a) and the major rotations interpreted in the southern Peruvian forearc (Roperch et al., 2006). A later and more drastic shift in sediment provenance in southern Peru is linked to a phase of uplift of the Western Cordillera occurred during the Late Miocene (Schildgen et al., 2009b; Decou et al., 2011).

The necessity to constraint the geodynamic history of the Central Andes during Cenozoic arises from misunderstandings on the stratigraphic framework of the Cenozoic filling in the forearc, and leads to mistakes on interpretation of the Andean orogeny. Provenance analyses are promising in providing consistent clues to unravel the evolution of this part of the Central Andes.

1.4.1. Geomorphological units in southern Peru

The Central Andes are subdivided from west to east according to their most prominent physiographic aspects such as: (i) Coastal Cordillera, (ii) Pacific Piedmont (or Central Depression), (iii) Western Cordillera, (iv) Altiplano, (v) Eastern Cordillera, and (vi) Subandes (Gansser, 1973; Palacios and Chacón, 1989) (Fig. 1.4).

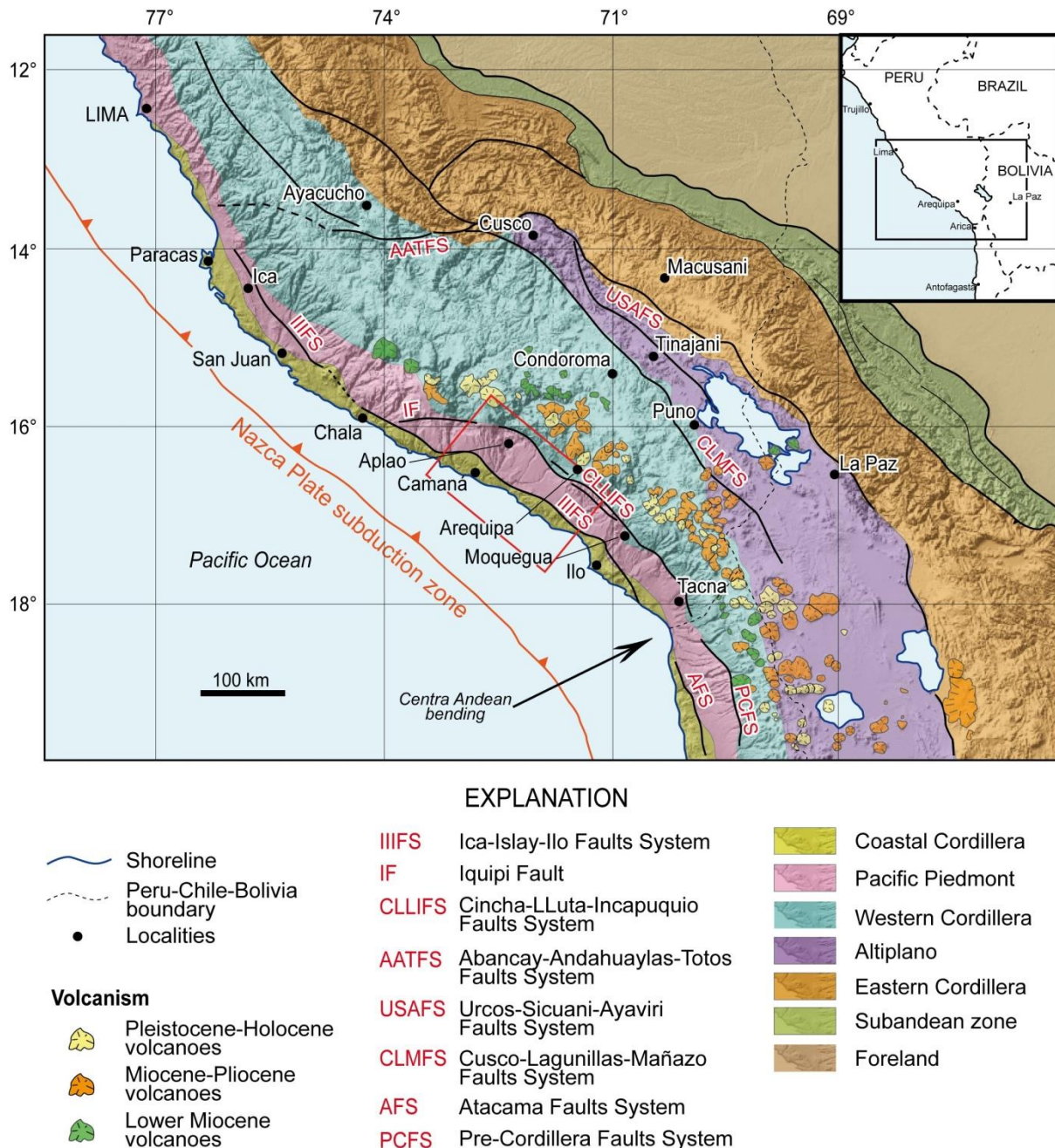
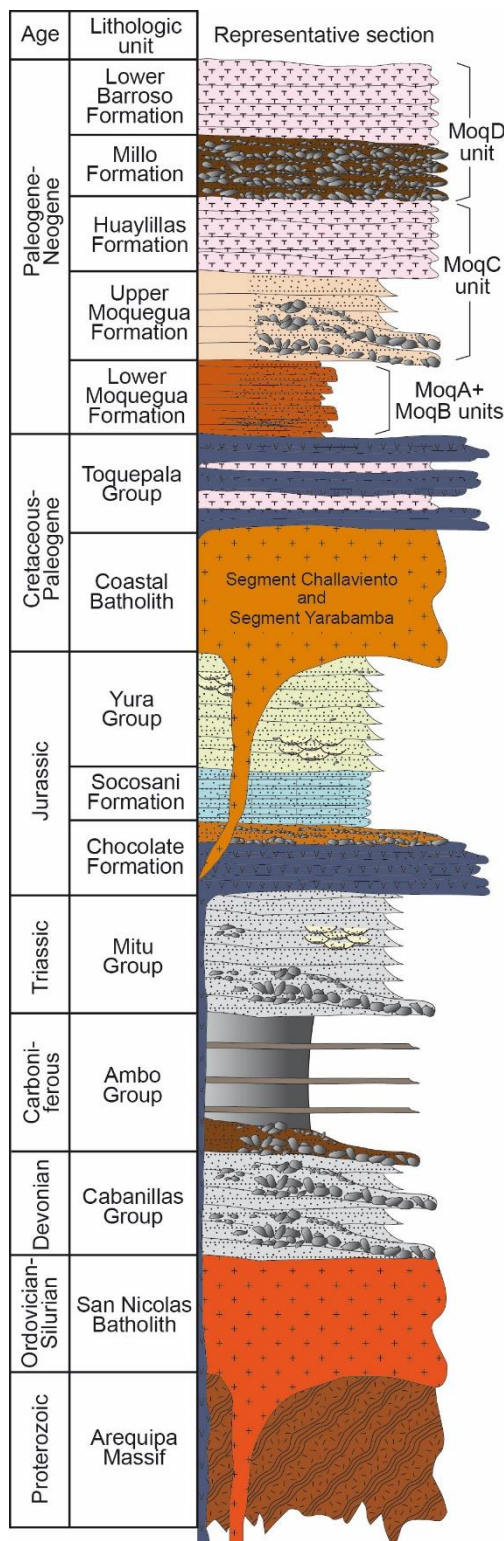


Fig. 1.4. Geomorphological domains in southern Peru (after Gansser, 1973) and its relation to the major faults systems (after Carlotto et al., 2009). The red box indicates the study area. Distribution of Miocene to Holocene volcanoes, after Wörner et al. (2000) and Mamani (2006).



In southern Peru, Proterozoic, Paleozoic, Mesozoic, and Cenozoic rocks crop out along ~NW-SE voluminous geomorphological units (Benavides, 1962; Palacios and Chacón, 1989). These rocks form part of the Coastal Cordillera, Pacific Piedmont (or Central Depression), and Western Cordillera (e.g. Sébrier et al., 1984; Macharé et al., 1986; Jacay et al., 2002) (see yellow, pink, and light blue fields in Fig. 1.4). Figure 1.5 summarizes such rocks. The ~NW-SE alignments of these rocks are consistent to large structural systems or group of faults that also exists in southern Peru (i.e. Faults Systems, Carlotto et al., 2009).

1.4.1.1. The Coastal Cordillera

The Coastal Cordillera of Peru is a large segment parallel to the actual coastal line, showing altitudes between 500 and 1600 m (dark yellow in Fig. 1.4), and extend from Piura (northern Peru) to Tacna (southern Peru) (Palacios, 1988). Between the towns of Ica and Ilo (southern Peru), the Coastal Cordillera of southern Peru is intensely affected by the ~NW-SE Ica-Ilo-Islay Faults System (IIIFS) (Pecho and Morales, 1969; Acosta et al., 2010a, 2010b). According to Thornburg and Kulm (1981), the Coastal Cordillera separates two Cenozoic lithological units known as the internal forearc Moquegua Group (within the Pacific Piedmont, Morocco et al., 1985) and the external forearc Camaná Formation (Rivera, 1950).

In southern Peru, precisely in the province of Arequipa, the lithology of the Coastal Cordillera consists of gneisses, granulites, and migmatites of the Proterozoic Arequipa Massif (Shackleton et al., 1979; Loewy et al., 2004; Ramos, 2008) (or Coastal Basal Complex, Caldas, 1978; Shackleton et al., 1979). According to Martignole and Martelat (2003), rocks of the Arequipa Massif experimented ultra-high-temperature metamorphism at around 1 Ga (Greenvillian event), and typical heavy minerals appeared (e.g. clinopyroxene).

The Coastal Cordillera in the study area also contains minor proportions of red granites and syenogranites of the Ordovician-Silurian San Nicolas Batholith (Cobbing et al., 1977), and few exposures of Paleozoic sedimentary rocks of the Mitu and Ambo Groups (Pecho and Morales, 1969).

Fig. 1.5. Generalized stratigraphic section of the rocks forming the Coastal Cordillera, Pacific Piedmont (Central Depression), and Western Cordillera of southern Peru (after Pecho and Morales, 1962; Guizado, 1968; Acosta et al., 2011). Not to scale.

1.4.1.2. The Pacific Piedmont (or Central Depression)

The Pacific Piedmont (light purple in Fig. 1.4) is also known as Central Depression (Macharé et al., 1986; Audin et al., 2006). It forms a ~NW-SE elongated belt from Piura (northern Peru) until northern Chile (Palacios, 1988). Elevation of the Pacific Piedmont between southern Peru and northern Chile ranges between 1000 and 2000 m altitude, showing a ~3% of average gradient.

The Pacific Piedmont becomes wider at Arequipa (southern Peru) and further southward (Tacna), showing ~50 km width in average (Audin et al., 2006). In southern Peru, the Pacific Piedmont is bounded by the Western Cordillera in the east and by the Coastal Cordillera in the west. The Pacific Piedmont is filled with sediments of the Cenozoic Moquegua Group, the voluminous and extensive pyroclasts of the Huayllillas Formation (or products of the ~24-10 Ma Huayllillas volcanic arc, Mamani et al., 2010a), and the Lower Barroso Formation (Vargas, 1970) (or Lower Barroso volcanic arc, Mamani et al., 2010a). These deposits occupy large surfaces in southern Peru and northern Chile (Wilson and García, 1962; Pecho and Morales, 1969; Tosdal et al., 1981).

Steinmann (1930) defined the sedimentary filling of the Moquegua Basin formerly as Moquegua Formation. Later on, Marocco et al. (1985) defined these deposits as Moquegua Group. The Moquegua Group was further divided into Lower Moquegua Formation and Upper Moquegua Formation by Marocco et al. (1985) (Fig. 1.5) in order to complete the geological cartography and bulletins of southern Peru by INGEMMET (Geological Survey of Peru) (e.g. Pecho and Morales, 1969; Wilson and García, 1962; Pecho, 1983; among other authors). However, recent studies refined and re-divided the Moquegua Group into four units (MoqA, MoqB, MoqC, and MoqD) according to their differences in facies (Sempere et al., 2004). Moreover, these authors considered that the Huayllillas Formation is within MoqC unit, and the Lower Barroso Formation and the Millo Formation are within MoqD unit (see further explanation in Section 1.5.1). In this thesis manuscript, this subdivision is largely used.

1.4.1.3. The Western Cordillera

The Western Cordillera shows a general ~NW-SE strike (light turquoise in Fig. 1.4), and elevation average between 3000 and 4000 m in southern Peru. The Western Cordillera is characterized by ~NE-SW and ~N-S fluvial drainages with high gradients (up to 5%) usually following pre-existent structural controls (Macharé et al., 1986; Audin et al., 2006; Wipf, 2006). These rivers join each other mostly in the Pacific Piedmont. According to several authors (e.g. Vargas, 1970; Vicente, 1989; Jacay et al., 2002; Sempere et al., 2002; Carlotto et al., 2009; Acosta et al., 2010a), the Western Cordillera is intimately related to the presence of the Cincha-LLuta-Incapuquio Faults System (CLLIFS) in southern Peru. The extension of this faults system is observable in northern Chile, and it is known as the Pre-Cordillera Faults System (PCFS) (Charrier et al., 2002). Generally, the CLLIFS bounds basement rocks and plutonic rocks in southern Peru (e.g. Cobbing et al., 1977a, 1977b; Vicente, 1989; Jacay and Sempere, 2005; Sempere and Jacay, 2006).

The lithology of the Western Cordillera of southern Peru consists of gneisses of the Arequipa Massif, andesites of the Lower Jurassic Chocolate Formation, quartzites of the Middle-Late Jurassic Yura Formation, and voluminous magmatic rocks (i.e. monzodiorites and diorites) of the Early Jurassic-Paleocene Coastal Batholith. Rocks of the ~75-55 Ma Toquepala and the ~30-24 Ma Tacaza Groups (Pecho and Morales, 1969; Caldas, 1978; Mamani et al., 2010) (Fig. 1.5) are also exposed. The andesites and rhyolites of the Lower Barroso (~10-3 Ma) and Upper Barroso (~3-1 Ma) volcanic arcs crop out at the eastern side of the Western Cordillera and the Altiplano of southern Peru and northern Chile (Wörner et al., 2002; Mamani et al. 2010a).

1.5. Cenozoic basins in southern Peruvian forearc

The sedimentary filling of two sedimentary basins in southern Peruvian forearc are roughly contemporaneous in age (Cenozoic), and the Coastal Cordillera separates them. One sedimentary basin is located in an external forearc position (Camaná-Mollendo Basin) and the other basin is located in an internal forearc position (Moquegua Basin) (or Pacific Piedmont, Macharé et al., 1986) (Fig. 1.6). An overview of the both basins is presented here.

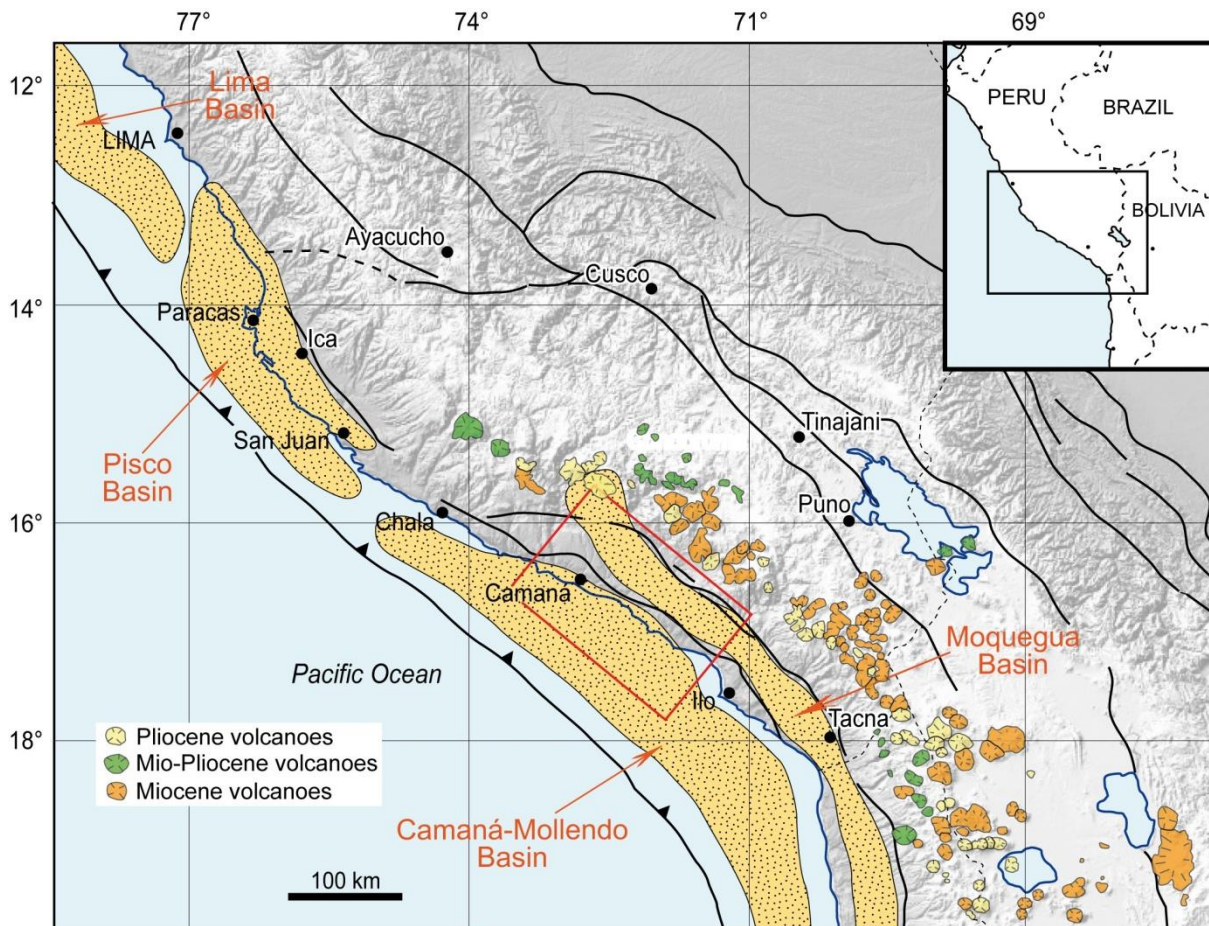


Fig. 1.6. Map of Cenozoic sedimentary basins of southern Peru (modified from PERUPETRO, 2003). Red box indicates the study area. Generalized faults systems are represented in black continuous lines. Volcanoes mapped by Mamani (2006). Red box indicates the study area.

1.5.1. What do we know about the Moquegua Basin?

The Cenozoic Moquegua Basin constitutes a ~NW-SE elongated depression in the internal forearc (within the Pacific Piedmont). It is filled with sediments of the Moquegua Group (Steinmann, 1930; Wilson and García, 1962; Bellido, 1979; Marocco et al., 1985) (see Fig. 1.6). The Moquegua Group represents the denudation of the rocks forming the Western Cordillera, as well as coeval magmatism and volcanic emissions from the Altiplano (~30-3 Ma volcanic arcs, Mamani et al., 2010a) (e.g. Tosdal, 1981; Marocco and Noblet, 1990; Decou et al., 2011, 2013). Marocco et al. (1985) proposed a division for the Moquegua Group into two formations: (i) Lower Moquegua Formation, referring in general to reddish lacustrine and evaporite facies, and (ii) Upper Moquegua Formation, referring to a mixture of depositional settings (mostly fluvial and alluvial), with characteristic whitish, greenish, and pinkish tonalities.

Deposits of the Moquegua Group are better exposed along the Ocoña and Majes Valleys, and allowed to further divide it into four members (MoqA, MoqB, MoqC, and MoqD) considering major unconformities and radiometric datings (Sempere et al., 2004; Roperch et al., 2006) (Fig. 1.7). In broad terms, MoqA unit consist of reddish siltstones and sandstones, locally with gypsum; however, they are observed in strata near the Western Cordillera (e.g. Caravelí, Aplao, and Sihuas). MoqB unit presents dominantly coarse-grained fluvial conglomerates and minor reddish sandstones. MoqA and MoqB units commonly display syndimentary extensional features with very minor presence of volcanic material. With a marked contrast in facies, MoqC unit shows overbank deposits of lacustrine environments in the lower part and debris deposits with abundant tuffaceous layers in the upper part. Such contrast leads a tentative distinction as MoqC1 and MoqC2 sub-units (Decou et al., 2011) (Fig. 1.7).

León et al. (2000) considered the stratigraphic nomenclature of Millo Formation (Vargas, 1970) and Lower Barroso Formation (Wilson and García, 1962) in the cartography of Camaná and Aplao, which lay above the marine layers of the Camaná Formation. However, Sempere et al. (2004) grouped these units and renamed them as MoqD. According to these authors, these deposits consist mostly of fluvial conglomerates, which filled paleo-valleys.



Fig. 1.7. Exposures of the Moquegua Group along the Majes Valley (near the town of Corire). Stratigraphy according to Marocco et al. (1985) and Sempere et al. (2004). Biotite K-Ar ages by Noble et al. (2009). The ~24-10 Ma Huayllillas Formation (Wilson and García, 1962; Mamani et al., 2010a) lies within the MoqC unit (according to Sempere et al., 2004). Ages of the Moquegua Group and sub-division of the MoqC unit by Decou et al. (2011).

The complexity on facies architecture and the lack of volcanic products in some strata complicate the depositional history. However, based on sedimentary provenance studies and new geochronological data, Decou et al. (2011, 2013) presented a refined chrono-stratigraphic and depositional framework (Fig. 1.8). In this context, deposition of MoqA unit occurred between ~50 and ~40 Ma, MoqB between ~40 and ~30 Ma, MoqC between ~30 and ~15-10 Ma, and finally MoqD between ~15-10 and ~4 Ma. The latter unit is thought to be diachronic, being locally as old as ~15 Ma or up to ~10, while its top is ~4 Ma (Decou et al., 2013).

On the other hand, the first attempt in relating the Moquegua and Camaná Basins is referred to a widely cited marine ingression that occurred presumably as far inland as Cuno-Cuno at ~25 Ma (Mendivil and Castillo, 1960; Pecho, 1983; Marocco et al., 1985; Marocco and Delfaud, 1985; DeVries, 1998; Cruzado and Rojas, 2005). On the base of such marine ingression, several authors (e.g. Gregory-Wodzicky, 2000; Thouret et al., 2007; Schildgen et al., 2009b) have estimated the uplift of the western side of the Western Cordillera since Late Oligocene, assuming that the area of Cuno-Cuno was close to the sea-level (see Chapter 4).

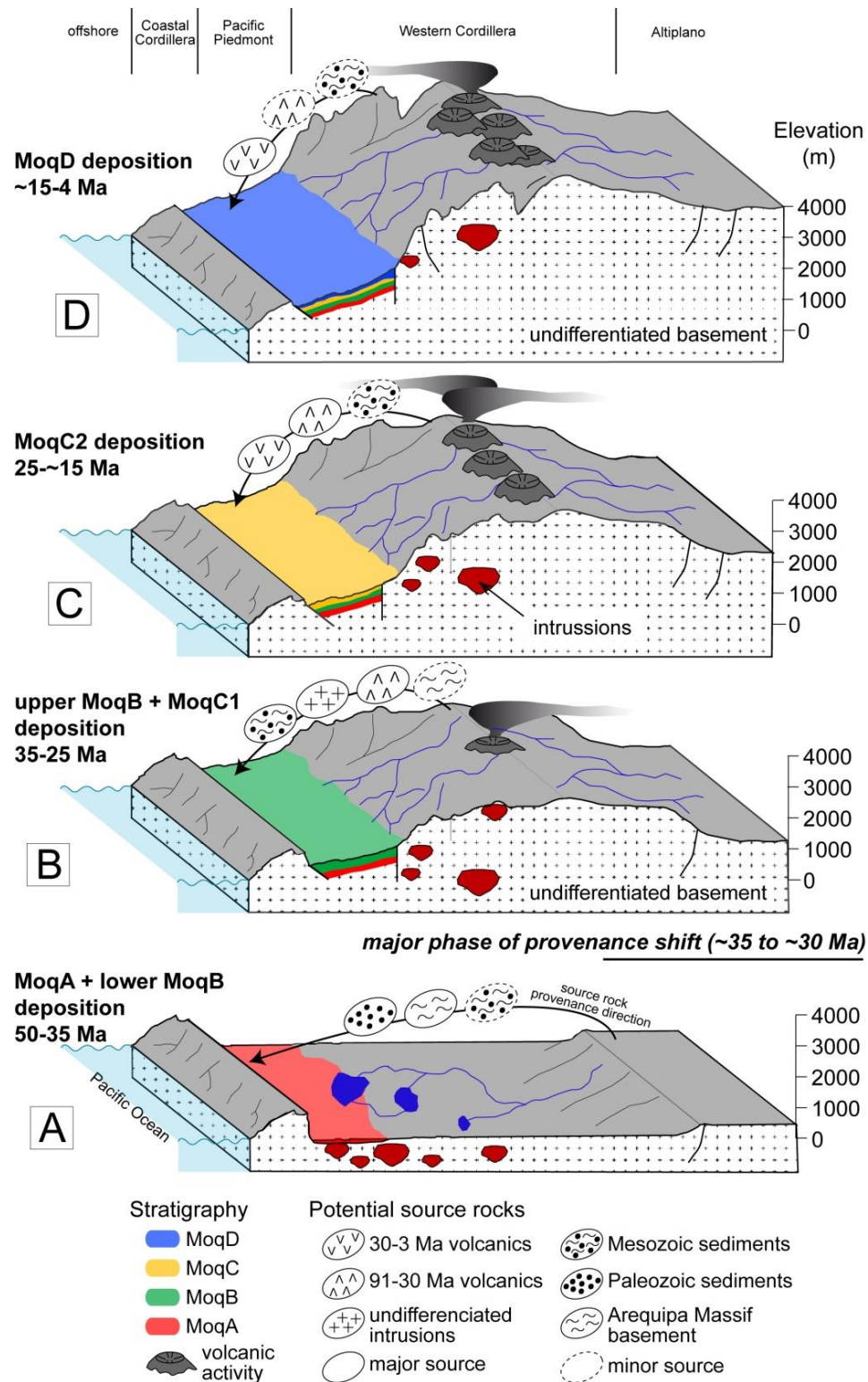


Fig. 1.8. Block diagram representing the timing of the Andean uplift since Eocene, based on provenance studies on the Moquegua Group by Decou et al. (2013). In A: Deposition of MoqA and the lower part of MoqB. In B: Deposition of the upper part of MoqB and the lower part of MoqC (sub-unit MoqC1). In C: Deposition of the sub-unit MoqC2 is featured by persistent pyroclastic products, which represent the onset of intense volcanism. In D: Deposition of MoqD unit.

1.5.2. What do we know about the Camaná Basin?

The Camaná Basin is a ~NW-SE striking elongated depression filled with the Cenozoic Camaná Formation between Pescadores (16°25'S) and Punta del Bombón (17°15'S) (see Camaná-Mollendo Basin in Fig. 1.6). Rivera (1950) and Rüegg (1957) were the first authors to describe these deposits as “Camaná beds”, and the both have coincided that the best and thickest exposures (up to ~500 m) are observed in the vicinity of the town of Camaná, and near the river mouths of the valleys of La Chira (16°30'S) and Punta del Bombón (17°10'S). The onshore deposits of the Camaná Formation extend toward SW to their offshore equivalents of the Mollendo Basin (PERUPETRO, 2003) (see Section 1.5.3).

Pecho and Morales (1969) were the first authors in providing the stratigraphic nomenclature of “Camaná Formation” (*Formación Camaná*). After them, several authors focused on field observations, paleontology, and few radiometric ages to provide a coherent chronostratigraphic framework.

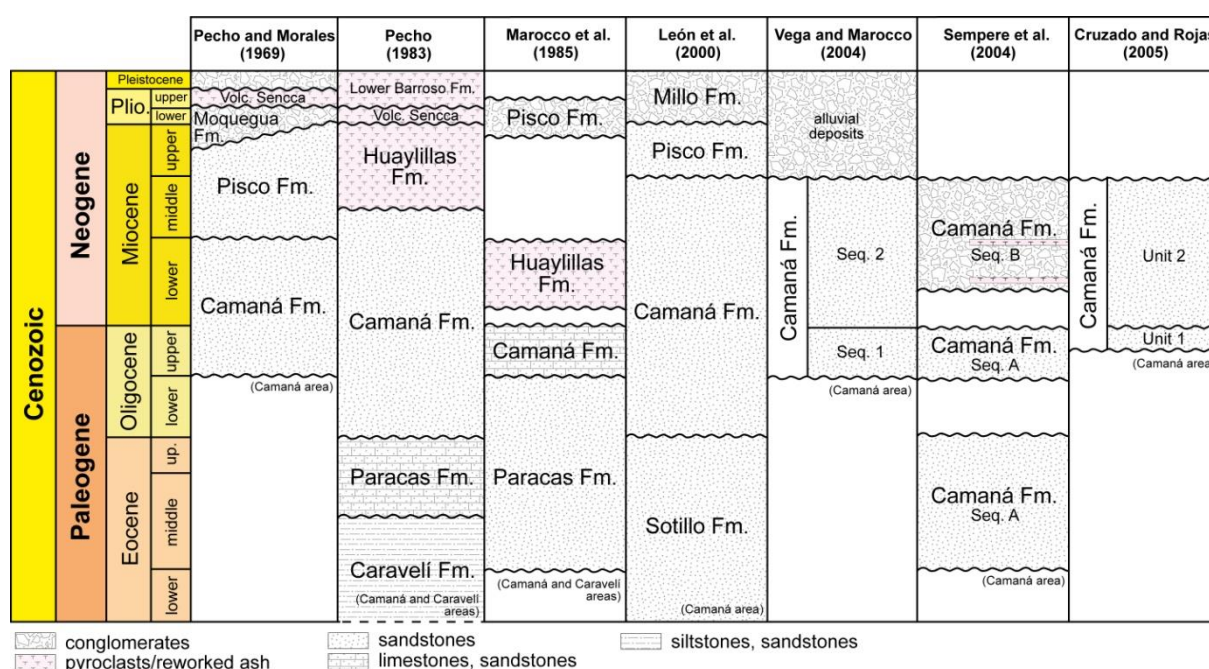


Fig. 1.9. Evolution of the studies on the Camaná Formation.

According to Pecho and Morales (1969), Pecho (1983) and Marocco et al. (1985), the age of deposition of the Camaná Formation (marine deposits) ranges between Oligocene and Middle Miocene (Fig. 1.9). Later works on the cartography of Camaná and La Yesera (quadrangles 32q and 33q, respectively) by León et al. (2000) stated several changes on the geological maps and chronostratigraphy. For instance, they stated that the Camaná Formation is Oligocene to Middle Miocene in age, and above lies Pisco Formation. These authors considered moreover that “Pisco Formation” extended from its homonymous basin onto Camaná Basin based on similarities in lithology; however, excluding any analysis of local facies changes. Finally, León et al. (2000) stated that conglomerates above marine deposits should be termed as “Millo Formation” and assigned as Pliocene.

Recent studies of Vega & Marocco (2004) considered relevant to integrate vertebrate paleontology and foraminifera assemblages (from Tsuchi et al., 1990 and Ibaraki, 1992), proposing the Late Oligocene to Middle Miocene age for marine sandstones of the Camaná Formation, and above, recent deposits.

Sempere et al. (2004) kept the chronostratigraphy proposed by Vega and Marocco (2004) and divided the Camaná Formation into Camaná “A” unit, referring to marine sediments, and Camaná “B” unit as fluvial conglomerates above. Sempere et al. (2004) supported their chronostratigraphic model

based on correlating strata of other adjacent sedimentary basins like the Moquegua Basin (Moquegua Group). Moreover, they considered that the lowermost part of the Camaná Formation is comparable with deposits of the Late Eocene MoqB unit; however, the only argument for this statement are some lithological features. These authors provided for the first time an Ar-Ar age on biotites (~20 Ma) in Quebrada La Chira (~20 km NW of Camaná) from the Camaná Formation, which has been attributed to be the base of "Camaná B unit", according to their nomenclature and facies analysis. The problem of providing radiometric ages on these deposits arises when the organization of sedimentary facies is still unknown and remain under uncertainty. Due to such controversies and misunderstandings on facies organization and stratigraphy, a detailed facies analysis of the Camaná Formation is highly necessary to elaborate a consistent chronostratigraphic framework (see Chapter 2 for more details), and serves as basis to accomplish the main objective of this thesis i.e. defining the sediment provenance of the Camaná Formation (see Chapter 3).

1.5.3. What is the Mollendo Basin?

The Mollendo Basin is a ~NW-SE depression located in the offshore of the department of Arequipa, southern Peru. According to PERUPETRO (2003), the sedimentary filling of the Mollendo Basin consists of Cenozoic marine sediments with abundant graben-type structures forming ~NW-SE depressions in the sea floor. Following these authors, the Mollendo Basin fill is the offshore equivalent of the onshore Camaná Formation, and this thesis uses the term "Camaná-Mollendo Basin fill" to refer to both the onshore and offshore deposits. Moreover, the term "Camaná Basin fill" is used to refer only to onshore deposits, which are the starting point and main topic of this thesis (Chapter 2 and Chapter 3). The term "Mollendo Basin fill" is used in this thesis to refer only to deposits that are interpreted in the offshore seismic lines (see Chapter 5).

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Chapter 2:

Sedimentary facies and stratigraphic architecture in coarse-grained deltas: Anatomy of the Cenozoic Camaná Formation, Southern Peru (16°25'S to 17°15'S)

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Abstract

In the external forearc of southern Peru (Arequipa region), the sedimentary facies and the stratigraphic architecture of the Cenozoic Camaná Formation are presented in the context of tectono-eustatic controls. The Camaná Formation is defined as ~500 m thick coarse-grained deltaic complex that accumulated in a fault-bounded elongated depression extending from the Coastal Cordillera in the east to the offshore Mollendo Basin in the west and likely up to the Peruvian Trench. Based on the analysis of facies associations, we propose a refined stratigraphic scheme of the Camaná Basin fill. The Camaná Formation was formerly divided into the Camaná "A" and Camaná "B" units (CamA and CamB, respectively). We reinterpret the stratigraphic position and the timing of the CamA to CamB boundary, and define three sub-units for CamA, i.e. sub-units A1, A2, and A3. Each depositional unit shows individual stacking patterns, which are linked with particular shoreline trajectories through time.

Strata of A1 form the basal succession of the Camaná Formation and they consist of distributary channels and mouth bars, unconformably overlain by beds of A2. A2 consists of delta front deposits arranged in voluminous clinothems that reflect a progradational downstepping complex. A3 consists of delta front sandstones to prodelta siltstones arranged in retrogradational onlapping geometry. A pebbly intercalation in proximal onlapping A3 deposits is interpreted to reflect pulses of uplift in the hinterland. The overlying CamB unit is characterized by a thick alternation of fluvio-deltaic conglomerates and sand bars. The ages of the individual units of the Camaná Formation are not yet well defined. Based on the available information and stratigraphic correlations we tentatively assign A1 to the Late Oligocene, A2 to the Early Miocene, A3 to the late Early Miocene to early Middle Miocene, and CamB to the Late Miocene to ?early Pliocene.

The sub-units A1 and A2 represent a *regressive systems tract*, where the shoreline was forced to migrate seaward. This scenario differs from the Early Miocene eustatic sea-level rise suggesting that significant tectonic uplift along the Coastal Cordillera controlled the high sediment influx during A2 deposition. The sub-unit A3 represents a *transgressive systems tract*, triggering landward migration of the shoreline. This scenario is well in line with the global sea-level chart suggesting that A3 has been deposited during a phase of eustatic sea-level rise with minor tectonic activity. The fluvial deposits of CamB reflect an increased sediment flux due to uplift of the hinterland. The observed stratigraphic patterns support predominant tectonic control on sedimentation in the Camaná Basin and the established stratigraphic framework provides an essential baseline for future correlations of the Cenozoic sedimentation in the forearc area of the Central Andes.

Keywords: Camaná, Coastal cordillera, Facies analysis, Stratigraphic architecture, Sequence stratigraphy

2.1. Introduction

Since the 1980's many models attempting to explain the geodynamics and sedimentary evolution in southern Peru have suggested that subduction of the Nazca Plate beneath the South American Plate, as well as the oblique migration of the Nazca Ridge (Fig. 2.1A) have resulted in tectonic reorganization. The development of these processes involved differential uplift and/or subsidence of the forearc basins during Cenozoic (e.g. Macharé et al., 1986; Hampel, 2002; Oncken et al., 2006; Wipf, 2006). In terms of sequence stratigraphy, these processes, besides global sea level and inherited basin relief, strongly affect the creation of accommodation space in sedimentary basins, i.e. the space available for sediments to fill (Einsele, 1992; Catuneanu et al., 2009, 2011). In an active tectonic setting, deltaic deposits such as the Cenozoic Camaná Formation are specifically appropriate to study the interplay of the main factors that control forearc geodynamics and resulting sediment dispersal.

This study roots in the analysis of sedimentary facies of the Camaná Formation, their organization in facies associations (Section 2.3), and the definition of bounding surfaces and stacking patterns in their particular depositional settings (Section 2.4). We further sub-divide the previously defined stratigraphic scheme of the Camaná Formation (Sempere et al., 2004), in order to (i) describe in detail the interactions between fluvial, deltaic, and marine sedimentation, and (ii) further constrain the depositional ages for the units and sub-units. This is then used to explain the relationship between varying sedimentary input and relative sea-level changes, which is reflected in nearshore sandstone (shoreline) migrations through space and time, either basinward or landward (e.g. Helland-Hansen and Gjelberg, 1994; Plint and Nummedal, 2000). Footwall-derived, coarse-grained deltas create series of stacked sequences ranging up to several hundreds of meters in thickness (Gawthorpe and Colella, 1990), and the shoreline trajectory observed within the deltas is used for describing internal architecture of the depositional cycles and their systems tracts (e.g. Helland-Hansen and Gjelberg, 1994). This relationship permits the recognition of transgressive and regressive systems tracts (Section 2.5) which are finally discussed in the context of possible tectonic and eustatic controls on deposition of the Camaná Formation.

Defining a sequence stratigraphic framework for the Camaná Basin thus (i) forms a key to understand the relations between tectonic uplift and/or subsidence and sea-level fluctuations in the area, (ii) reveals the factors controlling the sedimentary filling, and (iii) provides an essential baseline for future correlations of the Cenozoic sedimentation on the western flank of the Western Cordillera to the Pacific, in order to establish a comprehensive chronostratigraphic framework for the tectono-sedimentary evolution of the southern Peruvian forearc.

2.2. Geological setting

In southern Peru, Proterozoic, Paleozoic, Mesozoic, and Cenozoic rocks crop out following the alignments of the main geomorphologic domains (i.e. the Coastal and Western Cordilleras) (Fig. 2.1B) (Vargas, 1970; Vicente, 1989; Macharé et al., 1986; Jacay et al., 2002).

The Western and Coastal Cordilleras coincide with roughly NW-SE striking major structural systems, such as the Iquipi Fault (IF), the Cincha-LLuta-Incapuquio Faults System (CLLIFS), and the Ica-Islay-Ilo Faults System (IIIFS) (Fig. 2.1C) (Vargas, 1970; Vicente, 1989; Jacay et al., 2002; Sempere et al., 2002; Carlotto et al., 2009; Acosta et al., 2010a). These faults are related to the exhumation of large volumes of pre-Cenozoic rocks (Macharé et al., 1986; Jacay et al., 2002; Sempere et al., 2002; Acosta et al., 2012). Along the western flank of the Western Cordillera (Fig. 2.1B), the lithology consists of gneisses of the Arequipa Massif (Proterozoic, Chew et al., 2008), sedimentary rocks of the Ambo and Mitu Groups (Paleozoic, Pecho and Morales, 1969), and igneous rocks of the multi-episodic and voluminous Coastal Batholith (~190-61 Ma, Boily et al., 1989). This latter batholith include the diorites, granodiorites, andesites, and rhyolites from the ~75-55 Ma-old Toquepala Group (Cobbing and Pitcher, 1979; Mukasa, 1986; Mamani et al., 2012).

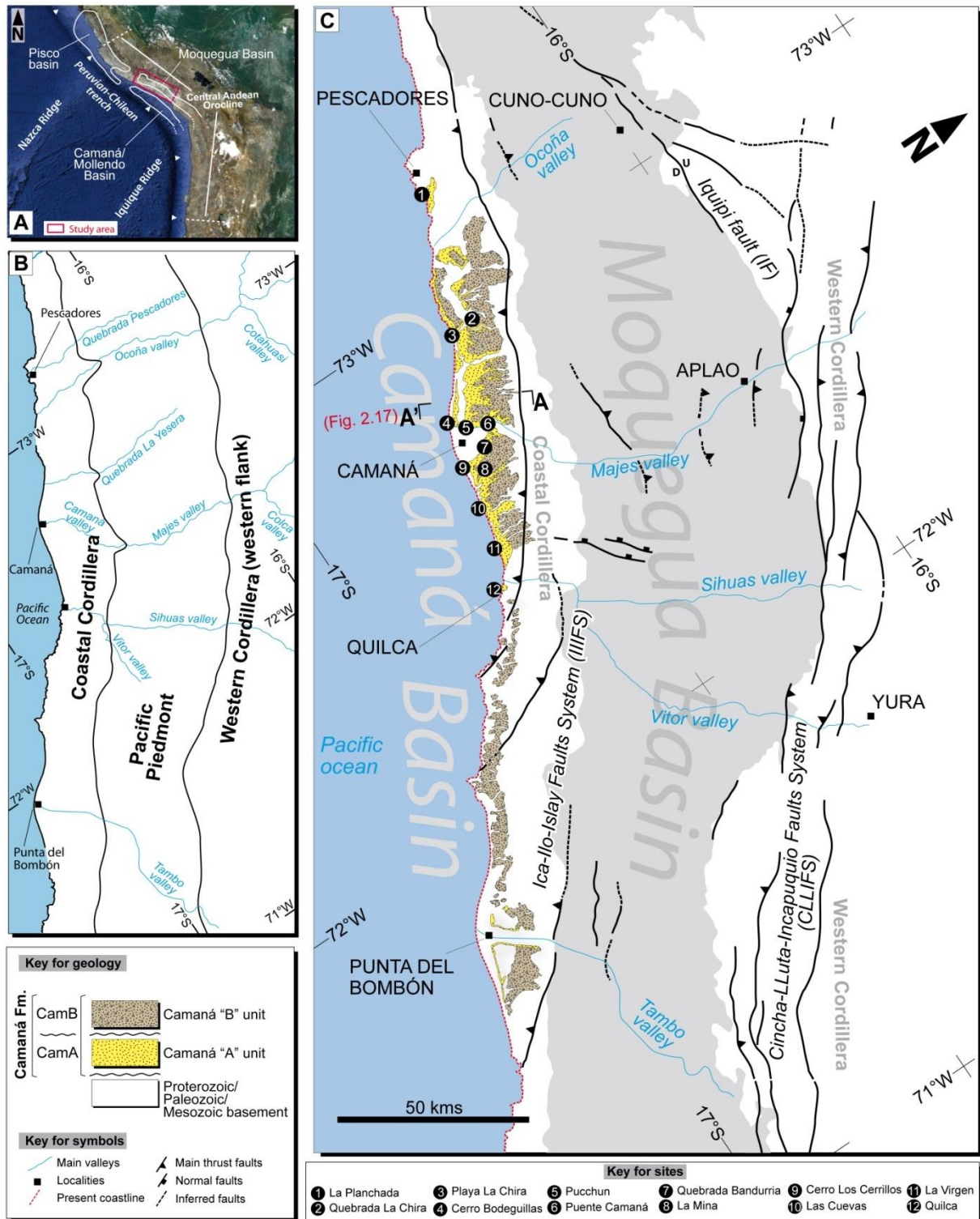


Fig. 2.1. Location of the study area. In A: The sub-division of the Central Andes (by Sempere et al., 2008). The Pisco, Camaná-Mollendo, and Moquegua Basins are shown. Red box shows the study area. In B: Map showing the three main geomorphologic domains in the study area. In C: Simplified regional geology of the external forearc Camaná Basin, showing main faults in continuous black lines, and inferred in dashed black lines (after Acosta et al., 2010b, 2010c; Vicente, 1989; Carlotto et al., 2009). The internal forearc (Pacific Piedmont, Macharé et al., 1986) contains the Cenozoic Moquegua Basin (gray color). Circled numbers indicate the studied sites. A'-A refers to approximate position of the section shown in Figs. 2.16E and 2.17.

Furthermore, minor exposures of quartzite and limestone of the Yura Group occur (Late Triassic to Late Cretaceous, Benavides, 1962; Vicente, 1989). All mentioned rocks are affected by the various faults of the CLLIFS (Vargas, 1970; Jacay et al., 2002; Sempere and Jacay, 2006). During Cenozoic, the denudation products of the rocks forming the Western Cordillera, as well as coeval volcanic material from the Altiplano, represent the sedimentary filling of the internal forearc Moquegua Basin (Tosdal, 1981; Mamani et al., 2010a; Decou et al., 2011). These deposits are known as the Cenozoic Moquegua Group (Marocco, 1984).

The Coastal Cordillera separates the Moquegua Basin (internal forearc) from the Camaná Basin (external forearc) (Macharé et al., 1986), where the ~NW-SE striking IIIFS was described as concave-up oblique faults with thrusting components (Fig. 2.1C) (Acosta et al., 2010b, 2010c). In this area, Precambrian rocks are exposed (Pecho and Morales, 1969; Lowey et al., 2004; Miskovic et al., 2009), for which Cobbing et al. (1977) coined the term "Arequipa Massif" for Proterozoic granulites. Martignole and Martelat (2003) sub-divided them into foliated migmatites and gneisses of the "Mollendo-Camaná Block" (16°20' to 17°00'). These rocks are in contact with Ordovician granites of the San Nicolas Batholith along the IIIFS (Fig. 2.1C) (Acosta et al., 2010b, 2010c). Paleozoic marine sedimentary rocks of the Carboniferous Ambo Group crop out NW of the Camaná town onlapping the Proterozoic and Ordovician rocks.

On the western flank of the Coastal Cordillera, the onshore part of the Camaná Basin forms a ~NW-SE striking elongated sedimentary deposit between Pescadores (16°25'S) and Punta del Bombón (17°15'S), referred to as the Camaná Formation (Fig. 2.1C) (Pecho and Morales, 1969). The thickest stackings of the Camaná Formation crop out in the river mouths of the large valleys such as the Ocoña (16°27'), Camaná (16°38'), and Punta del Bombón (17°09') (Pecho and Morales, 1969; Sempere et al., 2004; Roperch et al., 2006). The Camaná Formation was first described by Rivera (1950) and Ruegg (1952) as a marine succession of Oligocene age. Sempere et al. (2004) informally sub-divided this formation into a Camaná "A" unit and a Camaná "B" unit according to their particular lithologic features and an erosional unconformity between the two units, suggested to have formed at ~20 Ma.

These authors refer to the Camaná "A" unit (CamA) as consisting of shallow marine sandstones and siltstones, while the overlying Camaná "B" unit (CamB) is dominated by conglomerates and reworked volcanic ashes. Figure 2.2 illustrates previously published stratigraphic schemes for the Camaná Formation including the new sub-division used in this study. The onshore strata of the Camaná Formation extend towards the SW to their offshore equivalents in the Mollendo Basin (Fig. 2.1A) (PERUPETRO, 2003).

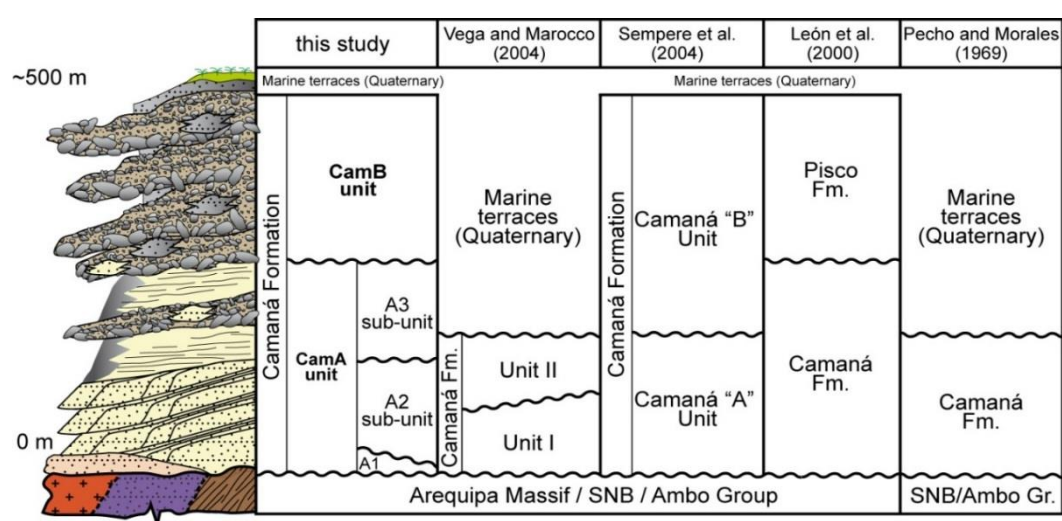


Fig. 2.2. Previous stratigraphic scheme for the Camaná Formation and the refined stratigraphic framework used in this study. Beyond the separation of a lower mainly marine Camaná "A" unit (CamA) and an upper fluvial Camaná "B" unit (CamB), we suggest a further sub-division for the CamA into sub-units A1, A2, and A3 according to their specific depositional features. Sub-unit A1 is distributary channels and mouth bars. Sub-unit A2 is deltaic lobes within prograding clinothems. Sub-unit A3 is onlapping deltaic deposits. CamB are fluvial conglomerates. Abbreviations: SNB = San Nicolas Batholith.

The age of the Camaná Formation is controversial (Fig. 2.2). It is mostly defined as Late Oligocene to Middle Miocene by means of few fossil vertebrates, foraminifera assemblages, and lithostratigraphic correlations with the Miocene Pisco Formation (Rüegg, 1952; Pecho and Morales, 1969). Fossil shark teeth (Apolín, 2001; Vega and Marocco, 2004) support a Late Oligocene age for the basal Camaná Formation. Sempere et al. (2004) and Roperch et al. (2006) mentioned the possibility of Eocene beds in the lowermost part of the Camaná Formation on the basis of lithofacies comparisons with Eocene beds of the Moquegua Group. Planktonic foraminifera typical of the sub-zones (N8a and N8b) as defined by Tsuchi et al. (1990) and Ibaraki (1992) in Camaná Formation support a Middle Miocene age. In central and northern Chile, Gutiérrez et al. (2013) and Di Celma and Cantalamessa (2007) reported similar planktonic foraminifera of Early to Middle Miocene age within shallow-marine sandstones of the Navidad Formation and Caleta Herradura Formation, respectively.

2.3. Sedimentary facies types and facies associations

Deposits such as the Cenozoic deltas of Camaná can be described as discrete shoreline protuberances formed where the rivers entered the ocean (e.g. Battacharya and Walker 1992; Bouma, 2000). The varying influence of fluvial and marine processes is reflected in the characteristics of the particular depositional settings. Criteria for classifications of wave-dominated deltaic deposits (e.g. Postma, 1995, 1990; Miall, 1988, 1999) have been applied to fault-controlled coarse-grained deltas by, for instance, Bouma (2000), Mellere et al. (2002), Gawthorpe and Colella (1990), Gawthorpe et al. (1994), García-García et al. (2006) and Longhitano (2008).

In the Camaná Formation, we have described and classified twelve sedimentary facies types (FT), and grouped them into six facies associations (FA), in order to define their particular depositional settings (Table 2.1). The Camaná Formation shows facies associations, which can be grouped into three main morphologic elements of a delta complex i.e. (i) delta plain (FA's G1, G2, and S3), (ii) delta front (FA's S1 and S2), and (iii) prodelta (FA F) facies (e.g. Postma, 1990).

2.3.1. *Tempestites in the Camaná Formation*

Tempestites are widespread and occur in several facies associations in the marine portion of the Camaná Formation (Table 2.1). Tempestites are storm-layers, which redeposit pre-existing sediments by the energy of the waves in shallow-water conditions (e.g. Aigner, 1985; Walker and Plint, 1992; Einsele, 2000). Typical features of tempestites include erosive bases, gutter casts, amalgamation, positive grading, and specific sedimentary structures such as hummocky, swaley and/or cross stratification, wave ripples, and often plane laminations (Einsele, 2000). A general classification in (i) proximal tempestites and (ii) distal tempestites relates to trends in e.g. thickness, grain size, bioclast content, sedimentary structures from proximal shallow water settings (e.g. shoreface) to deeper water (offshore transition to offshore). Proximal tempestites are commonly coarse-grained, highly bioclastic, and amalgamated deposits occurring in shallow waters mostly in the middle to lower shoreface and typically vary in thickness between several centimeters to few decimeters (Einsele, 2000). Distal tempestites are commonly few cm to mm thick fine-grained layers that commonly occur in the offshore transition zone and may extend to the offshore shelf.

In the Camaná Formation, we have recognized many of the typical sedimentary features that are attributed to storm deposition. We have classified these storm beds into three types of tempestites: Proximal, intermediate, and distal tempestites. (i) Proximal tempestite refers to storm-layers typically ~25 to ~45 cm thick, showing generally concave-up erosive base (gutter casts) (Fig. 2.3A) with grain size ranging between ~1 and 1.5 cm, commonly amalgamated. (ii) Intermediate tempestite ranges from ~5 to ~30 cm in thickness (with irregular scours affecting fine-grained sediments) containing grains ranging in size between ~4 mm and ~1 cm (Fig. 2.3B). (iii) Distal tempestite refers to storm-layers between 5 mm to 2 cm thick with grain size of ~1 mm (Fig. 2.3C) within fine-grained and marly deposits.

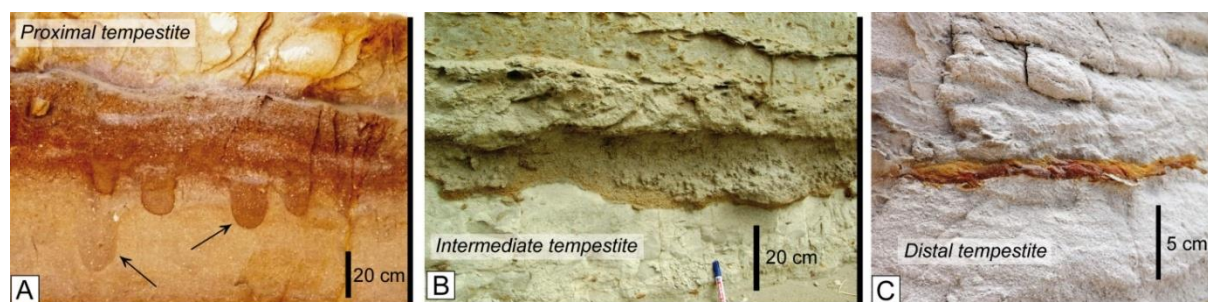


Fig. 2.3. Types of storm-layers observed in the Camaná Formation. In A: Proximal tempestite, showing concave-up erosive base (gutter casts) typically amalgamated (between ~25 and ~45 cm thick). In B: Intermediate tempestite, commonly affecting medium to fine-grained sediments (between ~5 and ~30 cm thick). In C: Distal tempestite, rarely observed in fine-grained and marly sediments (between 5 mm and 2 cm thick).

2.3.2. Facies association G2 (Facies types *Gmc* and *Sl*): Fluvial deposits of the delta plain

Two different sedimentary facies types are intimately associated, composed of pebbly and sandy lithofacies. They were classified as facies types *Gmc* and *Sl*, respectively, and grouped together as facies association G2. FA G2 forms mainly horizontal to sub-horizontal layers considered as topsets. It occurs exclusively in CamB.

2.3.2.1. Facies type *Sl*: Laminated sandstones

Description. Exposures with FT *Sl* are observed in Puente Camaná and Quebrada Bandurria. FT *Sl* consists of fine to medium-grained, generally laminated to massive sandstone commonly showing red or gray tonalities. They contain abundant grains of feldspar, pyroxene, amphibole, iron oxide, and little quartz. Volcaniclastic material (reworked ash layers) commonly appears in this facies type. No marine fauna were observed. FT *Sl* is associated with FT *Gmc* (see Section 2.3.2.2) where sandstones of FT *Sl* appear as lenticular bodies which decrease in thickness to thin layers (up to few centimeters) between the conglomerates of FT *Gmc*. It is rarely associated with FT *Gcb* as well (see Section 2.3.3.1).

Interpretation. FT *Sl* is interpreted as minor or small scale (up to ~40 cm thick) sandy channels and/or overbank flood deposits occurring commonly during fluvial deposition with FT *Gmc* in a delta plain (e.g. Miall, 1985). Planar lamination in fine to medium-grained sandstones is considered as structures generated in an upper flow regime (Einsele, 2000).

2.3.2.2. Facies type *Gmc*: Gravel, massive, and clast-supported

Description. Deposits with FT *Gmc* are observed in La Planchada, Quebrada La Chira, Puente Camaná, Quebrada Bandurria, and La Mina. FT *Gmc* consists of clast-supported conglomerates in beds of ~1 m thick. The conglomerates are often normally graded, poorly sorted, containing sub-angular to sub-rounded pebbles composed mostly of andesite (~50%) and quartzarenite (~30%), followed by minor proportions of rhyolite, granite, granodiorite, gneiss, and limestone, with general imbrication towards the southwest. These conglomerates have little matrix composed of greyish to reddish medium-grained sand rich in feldspar. Frequently, they show lense-shaped bodies with the same type of sand or reworked ash (i.e. FT *Sl*). Rarely, FT *Gmc* shows thin beds of sandstones with marine bioclasts (e.g. ~8 km at NE Camaná town, Panamerican highway).

Interpretation. FT *Gmc* is interpreted as representing fluvial deposition in large high-energy channels located on or close to the delta plain, marginally affected by tides in some places (e.g. Colella, 1988). In an upper flow regime, with high-energy conditions such as this, the pebble population in conglomerates typically increases in roundness downstream (if they originate from angular rocks) (Einsele, 2000). Hence, we interpret that roundness of the pebbles reflects high-energy flow and long transport likely from the hinterland. FT *Gmc* is associated with some minor sandy channelized bodies

(considered as FT *Sl*, see above) in-between conglomerates (e.g. Miall, 1985), and with an active volcanism (reworked ash layers within beds with FT *Gmc*).

The pebble composition of FT *Gmc* reflects predominant contribution from andesite and quartzarenite that most likely derive from the Toquepala Group and/or the Lower Barroso Group, and the Yura Group, respectively. Both suggest a significant contribution from rocks exposed in the Western Cordillera.

2.3.3. Facies association G1 (Facies type *Gcb*): Fluvio-deltaic deposits in outermost delta plain

This facies association refers to the conglomerates generally observed as incised channels occurring within the sub-unit A3. Some conspicuous sedimentary features of FA *G1* (FA *Gcb*) (i.e. bioclastic sandstones and predominance of andesite pebbles) contrast with the conglomerates of FA *G2* (FA *Gmc*) and supports the general division between the CamA and CamB units (see Section 2.4.3.4).

2.3.3.1. Facies type *Gcb*: Gravel, clast-supported, and bioclastic sandstones

Description. Deposits with FT *Gcb* are observed at Puente Camaná, Quebrada Bandurria, and La Mina. FT *Gcb* comprises in general similar stacking features as FT *Gmc*. However FT *Gcb* can be distinguished by its increased sandy matrix (often with benthic foraminifera), the common presence of thin (between 5 and 20 cm thick) layers of bioclastic sandstones (similar to the sandstones of FT *Ss*, see Section 2.5.3) within these conglomerates, and the composition of the pebbles. Conglomerates with FT *Gcb* are mostly stratified and show a higher proportion of andesite (~70%) compared to FT *Gmc*, and minor presence of quartzarenite (~15%) and rhyolite (~5%), and subordinate granite, gneiss, and limestone pebbles.

Interpretation. Deposits with FT *Gcb* are similar to those of FT *Gmc*, and also suggest high-energy flow conditions (e.g. Miall, 1985). The presence of shallow-marine bioclastic sandstone within conglomerates suggests an interplaying of fluvial influx into shallow-marine waters, likely on a delta plain close to the shoreline, where the pebbles are debouched to the sea by the river and are intercalated with marine sediments (e.g. Colella, 1988). The pebble composition of FT *Gcb* still reflects a dominant contribution from the Western Cordillera (andesites of the Toquepala Group and quartzarenites from the Yura Group), plus very minor local contribution from Proterozoic and Paleozoic rocks.

2.3.4. Facies association S3: Distributary channels and mouth bars in outermost delta plain, upper shoreface

Bedsets with FA *S3* occur at the very base of Camaná Formation, and differs from the typical deposition of the Camaná Formation *sensu stricto* in relation to the deltaic morphology. FA *S3* includes two facies types (FT's *Sc* and *Sm*), which are thought to occur coevally. However, there are only local and small exposures of this facies association in the entire region.

FA	Facies types (FT)	Sites	Description of facies types and main geometrical features	Depositional environments	Shallowing
topsets	G2	7 6	Sl: Laminated sandstones. Fine to medium-grained laminated sandstone. Reddish/brownish tonalities, with grains of feldspar, pyroxene, amphibole, and iron oxide. Beddings occur as longitudinal bars or large sand channels. Commonly shows reworked ash. Bedsets up to 40 cm thick.	Delta plain. Fluvial deposits, gravelly and sandy channels.	Fluvio-deltaic
		1 2 6 7 8	Gmc: Gravel, massive and clast-supported. Conglomerate clast supported, normally graded, with sub-rounded pebbles of andesite (~50%), quartzarenite (~30%), and minor granite, rhyolite, gneiss, and limestone. FT Gmc shows poor matrix, frequent reworked ash intercalated with FT Grc and Sl. FT Gmc upward grade into sandstones. Bedsets up to ~1 m thick.		
	G1	6 7 8	Gcb: Gravel, clast-supported and bioclastic sandstones. Conglomerate clast supported with sub-rounded pebbles of andesite (~70%), quartzarenite (~15%), minor rhyolite (~5%), subordinate granite, gneiss, and limestone. Series are interbedded with bioclastic and structureless sandstones (FT Ss) with few foraminifera. Bedsets generally 1 m thick.	Outermost delta plain. Upper shoreface. FT Gcb: Interfingering of fluvial conglomerates with marine sediments. FT Sc: Distributary channels. FT Sm: Mouth bars. No clinothems are observed.	
	S3	2 3 11 12	Sc: Cross-bedded channelized sandstones. Fining-upward successions of reddish coarse-grained sandstones. Abundance of bioclasts (balanids, oysters, and equinoids). Often proximal tempestites and cross-bedding with large intracasts (up to ~20 cm Ø). Bedsets up to ~1 m thick.		
		8	Sm: Massive coarse sandstones. Coarse-grained massive sandstone, poorly cemented and highly porous, with yellowish/pinkish tonalities. FT Sm often show planar laminations. Contains abundant sub-angular grains of feldspar, quartz, and biotite. Also abundant bioclasts (equinoid spines, balanids, shark teeth, and radiolarians).		
foresets		2 3 6 7 8 10 11	Sxt: Cross-bedded sandstones and proximal tempestites. Successions of coarse to medium-grained sandstones, cemented, with proximal tempestites (gutter casts) at the bases, highly bioclastic (mostly balanid fragments) and amalgamated. Commonly FT Sxt shows trough-cross bedding and <i>Ophiomorpha</i> ichnofacies. Beds are up to ~2 m thick, clinostratified.	Upper delta front. Middle to lower shoreface. Highly influenced by waves reworking. (FA S2 is predominant in the upper clinothems).	Deltaic
	S2	7 8	St: Tabular coarse sandstone. FT St consists of very coarse-grained sandstones, highly bioclastic (fragmented balanids). At the base appear proximal and intermediate tempestites combined with cross laminations. FT St also shows medium-grained sandstone on top, and some foraminifera (Plate 1: G). Thickness between 50 cm and 1 m.		
		2 3 7 6	Ss: Structureless sandstones. Coarse to fine-grained sandstones, rarely with proximal tempestites at the base, and often reworked ash on top. Benthic and planktonic foraminifera (Plate 1: A-F) and <i>Glossiungites</i> ichnofacies (probably <i>Diplocraterion</i> , Fig. 6A) are observed. Bedsets from 1 to 2 m thick.		
		6 7 11	Sb: Bioturbated sandstones. Sub-horizontal beds of medium to fine-grained sandstone highly bioturbated by <i>Thalassinoides</i> ichnofacies (Fig. 6C), and reworked ash at the top. Sandstones show planar layering or often they are structureless. Intermediate tempestite are observed at the base. Bedsets between 1 and 2 m thick.	Lower delta front. Lower shoreface to offshore transition. Storm intensity decreases. (FA S1 is predominant in the lower clinothems).	
	S1	2 3 6 7 8 10 11	Sxa: Cross-bedded sandstone and reworked ash. Coarse-grained sandstones to siltstones with reworked ash on top, showing low-angle cross-bedding and asymmetrical ripples. FT Sxa shows <i>Thalassinoides</i> ichnofacies (Fig. 6B), fragments of balanids, and benthic foraminifera (Plate 1: H-L). Rarely shows intermediate tempestites. Bedsets are ~2 m thick.		
bottom-sets	F	5 3	Fs: Siltstones, marls, and micrites. Fining-upward successions with intermediate tempestites at the base. Successions decrease in grain-size to siltstone with Cruziana ichnofacies (Fig. 6D). Fragments of equinoid spines and balanids are common, also planktonic foraminifera (Plate 1: M-Q) and radiolarians. Bedsets are between 1 and 2 m thick.	Prodelta deposits. Offshore transition to offshore. Poorly influenced by traction currents and storms. Carbonate particles deposition and organism settlements.	Pro-deltaic
		1 4 9	Fml: Massive and laminated siltstones, micrites. Massive siltstones, micrites, and marls, often showing slightly parallel laminations. Rarely is observed distal tempestites (reddish medium to coarse-grained sandstones). Reworked ash is quite common, as well as planktonic foraminifera assemblages (i.e. <i>Globigerina</i>), and some radiolarians.		

Table 2.1. Facies types and facies associations within the Camaná Formation. Depositional environments are interpreted for each FA. Exposures studied are located from Pescadores (northern Camaná) up to Quilca (southern Camaná). Numbers in parentheses refer to tempestite-layer types (Fig. 2.3). Location of studied sites (black circled numbers) refer to Fig. 2.1. See Fig. 2.12 for spatial distribution of facies associations and the relation to deltaic morphology. Abbreviations: FA = Facies Association.

2.3.4.1. Facies type Sc: Cross-bedded channelized sandstones

Description. Exposures of facies type Sc are observed at Quebrada La Chira (Fig. 2.4A), Playa La Chira (Fig. 2.4B), La Virgen (Fig. 2.4C), and Quilca (Fig. 2.4D), often as isolated outcrops laterally pinching out (Fig. 2.4E). FT Sc consists of reddish coarse to medium-grained sandstones, commonly showing large-scale cross bedding (up to 1 m foreset height). Beds show fining-upward sandstones with erosive bases, rarely with proximal tempestites, containing grains mostly of feldspar and quartz, and minor titanite, epidote, and amphibole. Abundant fragments of echinoid spines, balanids, and oysters are observed. Beds with FT Sc typically show large isolated pebbles (up to ~20 cm Ø) that consist of sub-angular metamorphic and magmatic rocks, depending on the local basement lithology, and some sub-rounded quartzarenites. Deposits with FT Sc are observed at the bottom of the sections, and they are considered as basal beds of the entire Camaná Formation (sub-unit A1, see Section 2.4.3.1).

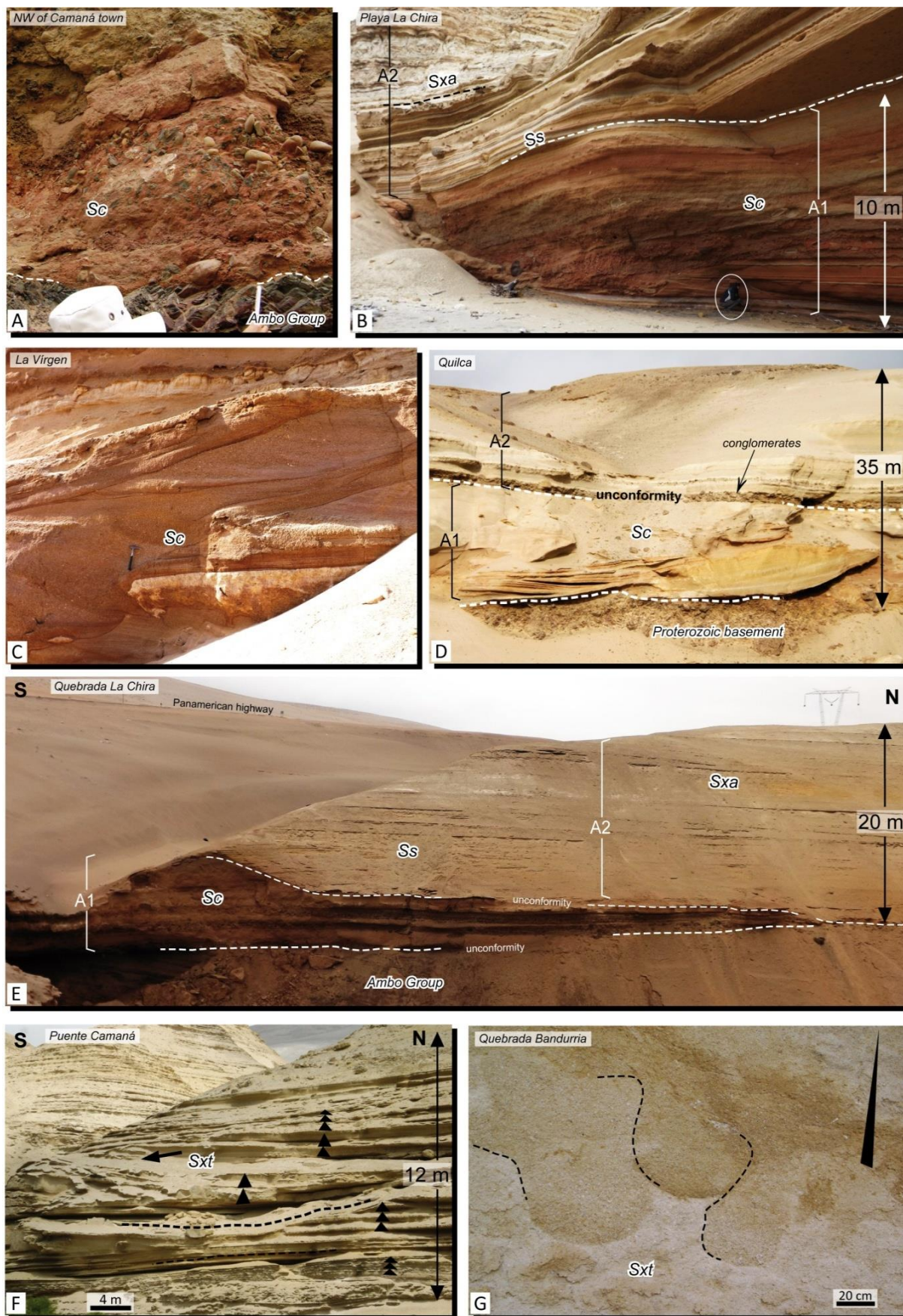
Interpretation. Sediments of FT Sc reflect the intermingling of distributary channels in shallow marine environment at a subaqueous platform and/or channel of a delta plain (upper shoreface) (e.g. Bhattacharya and Walker, 1992; Olariu and Bhattacharya, 2006). The bedsets containing FA Sc do not show any clinoformal geometry and an erosive contact marks the contrast with the overlying clinothem (Fig. 2.4E).

2.3.4.2. Facies type Sm: Massive coarse sandstones

Description. Deposits with FT Sm are observed in the La Mina quarries only. This FT consists of coarse-grained, highly bioclastic sandstones, that are generally massive, but often show heavy mineral concentrations along bedding planes. Framework grains consist of abundant sub-angular feldspar, quartz, biotite, and often calcite and/or bioclasts, which are moderately sorted and poorly cemented, causing significant porosity. Bioclasts of FT Sm consist of small fragments of echinoid spines, balanids, shark teeth, and radiolarians. Deposits with FT Sm are truncated and partly eroded by clinostratified sandstones of the overlying bedsets of the sub-unit A2.

Interpretation. Facies type Sm was formed by uniform and high-energy marine currents, allowing to form almost structureless and/or sub-horizontally laminated coarse-grained sand bodies (e.g. Einsele, 2000). These facies are interpreted as mouth bars aligned parallel to the shoreline, likely the upper shoreface (e.g. Reinson, 1992; Einsele, 2000). The beds with FT Sm in La Mina are thought to correspond to the lowermost part of the Camaná Formation due to (i) its position below the clinoforms of sub-unit A2 and (ii) the presence of shark teeth assigned to the Late Oligocene (Apolín, 2001; Vega and Marocco, 2004).

Fig. 2.4. (next page) Facies types observed in Quebrada La Chira, Playa La Chira, Quilca, and Puente Camaná, corresponding to CamA deposits. FT Sc are observed in (A) Panamerican highway, NW Camaná, (B) Playa La Chira (man in the circle as scale), (C) La Virgen and (D) Quilca (note the pebbly unconformity). FT Sc shows channelized coarse-grained sandstones with pebbles interpreted as distributary channels. In (E) between FT Sc (sub-unit A1) and FT Ss (sub-unit A2) an unconformity is observable in Quebrada La Chira. (F) Fining-upward structureless sandstones of FT Sxt forming deltaic channels in Puente Camaná. (G) FT Sxt shows proximal tempestites with gutter cast in foresets of sub-unit A2 at Quebrada Bandurria.



2.3.5. Facies association S2 (Facies types Sxt, St, and Ss): Delta front deposits, middle to lower shoreface

FA S2 groups cross-bedded and structureless sandstones described as facies types Sxt, St, and Ss. Bedsets with these lithofacies comprise the coarsest-grained sandstones (FT St) of the Camaná Formation. The frequency of storm-beds is highest in this facies association and it includes the thickest tempestites of the area (proximal tempestite). Another important feature is that FT's Sxt, St, and Ss are common components of the upper part of the clinoforms of A2 (upper delta front, see Section 2.4.1).

2.3.5.1. Facies type Sxt: Cross-bedded sandstones and proximal tempestites

Description. FT Sxt is observed in Quebrada La Chira, Playa La Chira, Puente Camaná, Quebrada Bandurria, La Mina, Las Cuevas, and La Virgen. Bedsets with FT Sxt are up to ~2 m thick, mostly clinostatified (Fig. 2.4F) and sub-horizontal, forming part of the upper delta front. The sandstones consist of bioclastic coarse-grained sandstones. They contain grains mostly of feldspar and minor quartz, garnet, epidote, and glauconite. The grains are sub-rounded, well sorted, and moderately cemented. The bases of the bedsets with FT Sxt show typical features of the proximal tempestites with concave-up erosive bases (gutter casts) (Fig. 2.4G). The tempestite layers of FT Sxt are the thickest of all lithofacies in the Camaná Formation. Generally, they are highly bioclastic and amalgamated, and contain grains which range in size from 5 to 2 mm Ø at their bases.

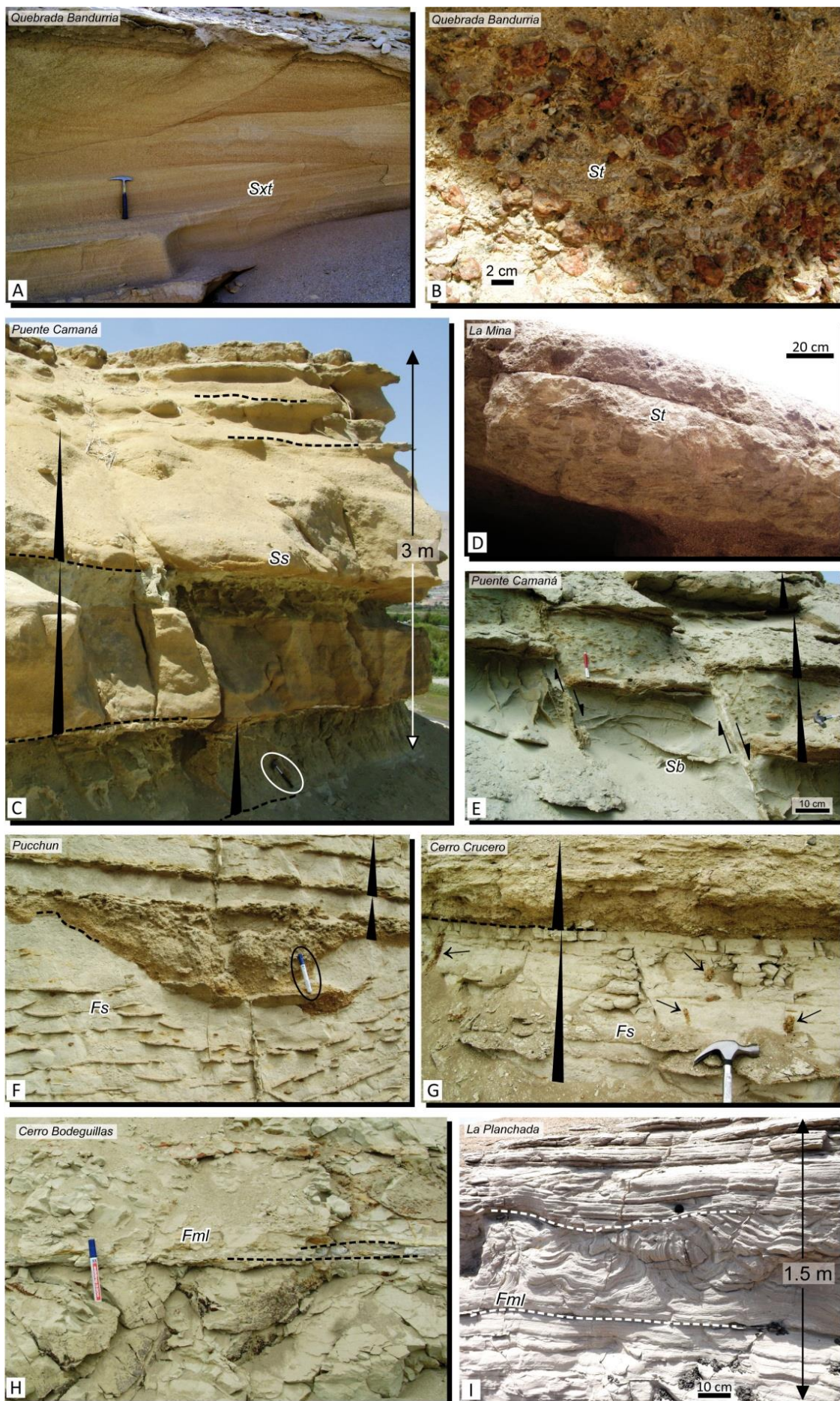
Upsection, the grain size decreases, and they give way to medium-grained sandstone with planar stratification. Some convolute structures occur, as well as trough-cross bedding (Fig. 2.5A). FT Sxt contains soft pebbles of reworked ashes. Some burrowing similar to *Ophiomorpha* ichnofacies occur in the medium-grained sandstones.

Interpretation. Deposition of FT Sxt occurred under the action of storm waves of high energy during the sediment input of the delta. Proximal tempestites with highly erosive bases (e.g. gutter cast) are interpreted to occur in the middle shoreface, and very rarely in the upper shoreface (Einsele, 2000). In terms of deltaic morphology and depositional environments, FT Sxt occurs mostly in the upper delta front (e.g. Walker and Plint, 1992) (see Section 2.4.1). The observed *Ophiomorpha* ichnofacies supports high wave or current energy, which typically occurs in littoral deposits of the shoreface (e.g. Pemberton et al., 1992).

2.3.5.2. Facies type St: Tabular coarse sandstone

Description. Beds with FT St are observed at Quebrada Bandurria and La Mina. They form tabular sub-horizontal bodies at outcrop scale forming part of the upper delta front, and include some proximal and intermediate tempestites (Fig. 2.5D). This facies type consists of very coarse-grained sandstones, highly bioclastic, with large and abundant sub-angular grains of feldspar (up to 15 mm Ø) (Fig. 2.5B), complemented by titanite, zircon, apatite, and minor garnet, epidote, amphibole, and glauconite. Sandstones of FT St show a high amount of bioclasts at their bases. FT St decreases in grain-size upward to thin layers of fine-grained sandstone, and rare reworked ash in the topmost parts of each bedset, which are generally structureless. Sandstones of FT St show low porosity and contain grains moderately sorted and well cemented. Benthic and planktonic foraminifera are present, including some specimens that are comparable to *Ephistominella* sp. (Plate 2.1: G).

Interpretation. The depositional setting for beds with FT St is similar to that of FT Sxt, and occurs as clinotherms as well. However, storm wave action was less intense, allowing for conservation of fine-grained sand in some places (e.g. Walker and Plint, 1992; Einsele, 2000). Deposition of FT St is interpreted to have occurred at the delta front, but in slightly deeper water compared to FT Sxt, probably at the middle or lower shoreface.



2.3.5.3. Facies type Ss: Structureless sandstones

Description. FT Ss occurs as gently inclined strata in Playa La Chira, Quebrada La Chira, Puente Camaná, Bandurria, and La Mina forming part of sigmoidal clinoforms. FT Ss consists of fining-upward bedsets ranging from 1 to 2 m in thickness. They are internally structureless (Fig. 2.5C), but may rarely show some cross-bedding. Bedsets show coarse to fine-grained sandstones containing mostly feldspar, brown titanite, zircon, and minor quartz, epidote, and amphibole grains. Some volcanic clasts, biotites, and minor carbonate grains are also observed, as well as bioclasts such as balanid and mollusk fragments.

In this facies, type tempestite layers are very rare; if present, they are proximal tempestites and quickly pinch out laterally. Bedsets may show at the base pebbles composed of volcanic ash and pumice, and rarely small-scale sedimentary lenses of reworked ash on top. Bioturbation resembling *Glossifungites* ichnofacies (probably *Diplocraterion* ichnogenera) (Fig. 2.6A) is also observed at the base of the successions. Moreover, some benthic and planktonic foraminifera are observed, that are comparable to *Ephistominella* sp., *Bolivina pisciformis* GALLOWAY & MORREY, *Catapsidrax stainforthi* BOLLI, LOEBLICH & TAPPAN, *Globigerina bulloides* D'ORBIGNY, and *Bullimina dentoni* PETTERS & SARMIENTO (Plate 2.1: A-F). Some of the foraminifera are filled with glauconite.

Interpretation. Deposits with FT Ss are interpreted as the basinward prolongation of facies types Sxt and St. FT Ss is interpreted to have accumulated in environments with moderate energy below the fair-weather wave base. FT Ss also contains a large quantity of organic remains, such as foraminifera and burrows, whereas foraminifera associations suggest shallow and warm marine waters (Ibaraki, 1992; Pardo, 1969). Individually, *Glossifungites* ichnofacies occur in a wide range of sedimentary settings; for instance, in soft sediments (Pemberton et al., 1992; Buatois et al., 2002) as observed in FT Ss which are in association with proximal tempestites. However, *Diplocraterion* ichnofacies indicate depositional hiatus and colonization of a firm but unlithified substrate (Bann, et al., 2004). The presence of proximal tempestite layers; however restricted, suggest the middle to lower shoreface (e.g. Einsele, 2000), and the presence of *Diplocraterion* ichnofacies in coarse-grained deltas suggests nearshore sandstones of the upper to lower delta front (e.g. MacEachern et al., 2005).

Fig. 2.5. (previous page) Facies types of Quebrada Bandurria, Puente Camaná, La Mina, Cerro Bodeguillas, Planchada, Pucchun, and Playa La Chira, corresponding to CamA deposits. In A: Coarse-grained sandstones with cross laminations of FT Sxa in Quebrada Bandurria. In B: Very coarse-grained bioclastic sandstone forming part of the deltaic lobes in Quebrada Bandurria. In C: FT Ss represents fining-upward sequences structureless with reworked ashes in the top in Puente Camaná; hammer in the circle for scale is 30 cm. In D: FT St in La Mina showing proximal tempestites and cross laminations. In E: Fine-grained sandstone of FT Sb with intermediate tempestites, burrowing, and synsedimentary normal faulting in Puente Camaná. In F: Micrites and siltstones of FT Fs showing intermediate tempestites at the base, Pucchun. G: Fining-upward bedsets are described as FT Fs in Cerro Crucero. Black arrows indicate ichnofacies *Thalassinoides*-type. In H: Carbonated siltstones of FT Fml showing thin layers of shales or reworked ashes in Cerro Bodeguillas (black dotted lines). In I: Siltstones with convolute laminations "seismites" in beds with FT Fml in La Planchada.

2.3.6. Facies association S1: Distal delta front deposits, lower shoreface to offshore transition

Facies association *S1* groups fining-upward sandstones with facies types *Sb* and *Sxa*, which mostly forms the lower delta front (see Section 2.4.1). Beds with FA *S1* are generally finer-grained than those of FA *S2*. The quantity of feldspar grains and volcanic lithoclasts is reduced and contrasted with a major presence of siltstone and reworked ash.

2.3.6.1. Facies type *Sb*: Bioturbated sandstones

Description. FT *Sb* is observed in Puente Camaná, Quebrada Bandurria, and Playa La Virgen. Bedsets with FT *Sb* are between 1 and 2 m thick, and consist of fining-upward successions ranging from medium-grained sandstones to fine-grained sandstones or siltstones with either planar lamination or a massive appearance (Fig. 2.5E). Sandstones contain high proportions of bioclasts, and minor quantities of feldspar, quartz, brown titanite, and amphibole grains. Moreover, some scattered small granitoid pebbles (up to ~5 mm Ø) are also observed. At the base of the bedsets, sandstones show intermediate tempestites composed of abundant feldspar grains and bioclasts, with an average thickness of ~5 cm (rarely proximal tempestites up to ~40 cm thickness). Bioclasts consist of shells, balanids, and oyster fragments. At the top, there are commonly siltstones, marls, and/or reworked volcanic ash. This facies type shows intensive bioturbation in the siltstones consisting of moderately sized *Thalassinoides* ichnofacies (2 to 3 cm wide), forming tabular branching and oval cross-sections filled with coarse-grained sand (Fig. 2.6C).

Interpretation. Deposits with FT *Sb* are interpreted to have been accumulated in environments with lower storm wave energy compared to FA *S2*, allowing relatively fine-grained sedimentation driven by gravity settling. However, evidence of occasional storms is obvious. Bioturbation in beds with FT *Sb* consists of abundant *Thalassinoides* ichnofacies, which is typically associated with softgrounds in siltstones or marls of sublittoral, low energy settings (Pemberton et al., 1992; Buatois et al., 2002). We thus infer deposition of FT *Sb* in the lower shoreface to offshore transition zone.

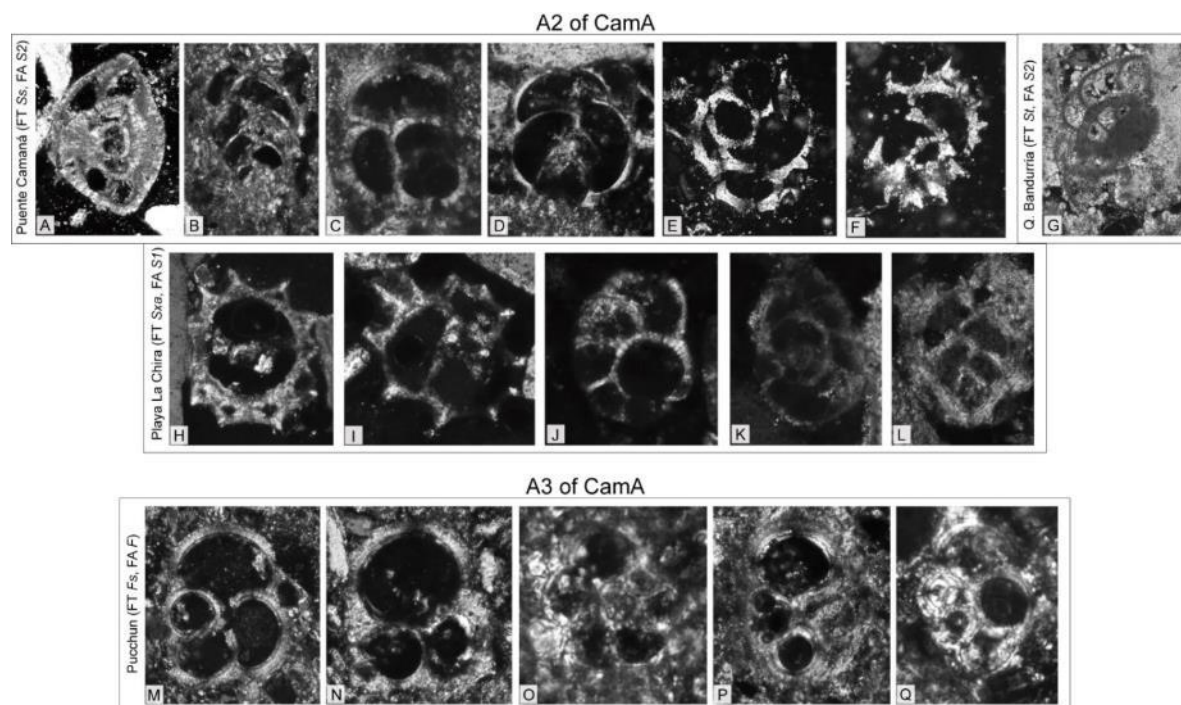


Plate 2.1. Foraminifera assemblages in CamA unit. In Puente Camaná: (A) *Ephistominella* sp., (B) comparable to *Bolivina pisciformis* GALLOWAY & MORREY, (C) comparable to *Catapsidrax stainforthi* BOLLI & LOEBLICH & TAPPAN, (D) comparable to *Globigerina bulloides* D'ORBIGNY, (E) *Globigerina* sp. and (F) comparable to *Bulimina dentoni* PETTERS & SARMIENTO are observed in FT *Ss* of A2. In Quebrada Bandurria, specimens are comparable at genera level to: (G) *Epistominella* sp. (seen in FT *St* of A2). In Playa La Chira, foraminifera are comparable to (H) and (I) *Globigerina* sp., (J) and (K) *Valvulineria* sp., (L) *Bolivina* sp. observed in FT *Sxa* of A2. In Pucchun: (M), (N), (O), (P), and (Q) correspond to *Globigerina* sp., observed in beds with FT *Fs* of A3.

2.3.6.2. Facies type Sxa: Cross-bedded sandstones and reworked ash

Description. Bedsets with FT Sxa crop out in Quebrada La Chira (Fig. 2.4E), Playa La Chira (Fig. 2.4B), Puente Camaná, Quebrada Bandurria, La Mina, Las Cuevas, and Playa La Virgen. FT Sxa represents ~2 m thick beds with coarse to fine-grained sandstones, commonly with reworked ash layers at the top of the bedsets. The grains are moderately sorted, composed of sub-angular quartz, and a minor presence of feldspar and biotite. FT Sxa rarely contains scattered granitoid pebbles (up to ~4 mm Ø), minor quartz pebbles (up to 3 mm Ø), and bioclasts. FT Sxa commonly shows low-angle cross lamination, often asymmetrical ripples, and parallel lamination. Tempestites are very rare and, if present, they are relatively thin (intermediate tempestite) and pinch out. This facies type has a low degree of bioturbation; however, ichnofacies similar to *Thalassinoides* is observed (Fig. 2.6B). It is rich in benthic foraminifera comparable to *Bulimina dentoni* PETTERS & SARMIENTO, *Valvulineria* sp., and *Bolivina* sp. (Plate 2.1: H-L), as well as some fragmented radiolarians.

Interpretation. Sedimentation of FT Sxa was influenced by wave action and lower storm energy compared to FT's Sb and Sxt. The presence of intermediate tempestite layers; however minor, and low-angle cross laminations, suggest environments below the fair-weather wave base (e.g. Dott and Bourgeois, 1982; Einsele, 2000). *Thalassinoides* ichnofacies, indicating sublittoral setting, is presents but rare compared to FT Sb. Hence, deposition with FT Sxa is considered to reflect a largely similar setting to FT Sb, reflecting the lower shoreface to offshore transition zone.

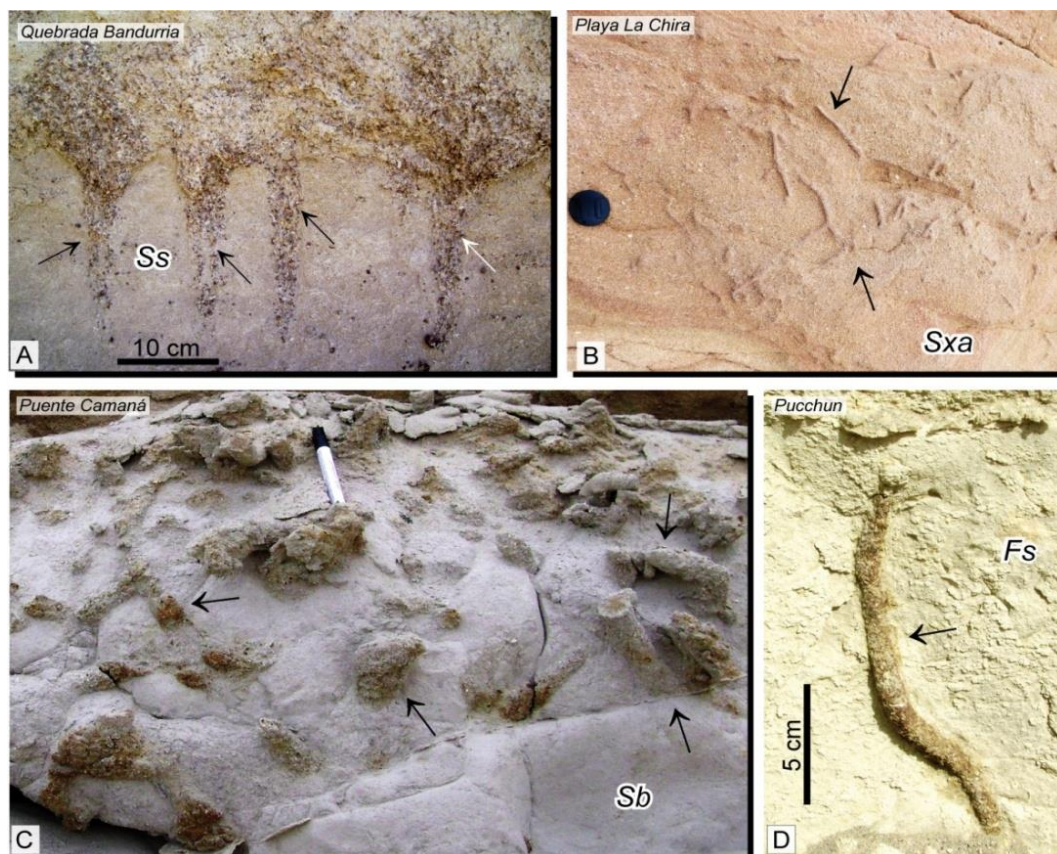


Fig. 2.6. Ichnofacies in CamA unit. In A: Glossifungites ichnofacies (probably *Diplocraterion* ichnogenera), observed in FA S2 (FT Ss) of A2 in Quebrada Bandurria, view from the front. (B) and (C) *Thalassinoides* ichnofacies. In B: *Thalassinoides* is observed in FA S1 (FT Sxa) of A2 in Playa La Chira, view from top, and C: in FA S1 (FT Sb) of A3 in Puente Camaná, view from the front. In D: Ichnofacies similar to *Cruziana* is observed in FA F (FT Fs) of A3 in Pucchun, view from the front.

2.3.7. Facies association F: Prodelta deposits, offshore transition to offshore

FA F comprises the finest-grained sediments of the Camaná Formation. It is mostly composed of siltstones, micrites, and marls, typically showing greyish tonalities, and is classified as facies types *Fs* and *Fml*.

2.3.7.1. Facies type *Fs*: Siltstones, marls, and micrites

Description. Bedsets with FT *Fs* are well exposed in Playa La Chira, Pucchun, and in Cerro Crucero (~4 km southeast of La Mina). FT *Fs* consists of fining-upward bedsets containing minor and scattered grains of sub-angular feldspar, quartz, and minor bioclasts, commonly in a marly to micritic matrix. At the base of the succession, intermediate tempestites (Fig. 2.5F) commonly occur, composed of reddish coarse-grained sandstone with larger grains of feldspar and fragmented balanids (up to 4 mm Ø). Upward, sandstones are replaced by structureless or gently laminated poorly cemented siltstones (Fig. 2.5G), marls, or micrites, with interlayered reworked ash at the top of the bedsets. In both the tempestites and the soft sediments, sub-vertical dwelling burrows of ichnofacies similar to the distal expressions of *Cruziana* (MacEachern et al., 2005) (Fig. 2.6D) are common. Planktonic foraminifera comparable with the genera *Globigerina* are commonly present (Plate 2.1: M-Q), containing some glauconitic filling as reported first by Pardo (1969) and Ibaraki (1992).

Interpretation. Sediments of facies type *Fs* have been deposited from suspension of fine-grained particles below the fair-weather wave base. Occasional storms are recorded, and fine-grained sediments and muds were deposited under waning storm conditions (e.g. Einsele, 2000). The sub-vertical dwellings resembling the distal *Cruziana* ichnofacies are common in softground settings (Bann et al., 2004), typically below the fair-weather wave base (e.g. Pemberton et al., 1992; MacEachern et al., 2005). This association suggests deposition in the offshore transition zone, which in our setting morphologically corresponds to the prodelta.

2.3.7.2. Facies type *Fml*: Massive and laminated siltstones, micrites

Description. Beds with FT *Fml* are observed at La Planchada, Cerro Bodeguillas, and Cerro Los Cerrillos. Beds with facies type *Fml* consist of massive micrites and marls, often interbedded with shales or tuffaceous siltstones that rarely show parallel bedding. FT *Fml* is the finest-grained lithofacies of the Camaná Formation. This facies type usually shows very thin reddish layers considered as distal tempestite. They are composed of medium-grained sandstone at the base of the bedsets (Fig. 2.5H), sometimes with convolute lamination (Fig. 2.5I), and centimeter-scale synsedimentary normal faulting. Often bedsets with facies type *Fml* are exposed in channels with no evidence of bioturbation. FT *Fml* is commonly observed in association with FT *Fs*.

Interpretation. Further basinward, the fall-out of suspended particles occurs below the storm-wave base, which offers good conditions for distal fine-grained deposition (Dalrymple et al., 1992). The very thin sand layers may reflect distal tempestites of major storms (Einsele, 2000). FT *Fml* is thus interpreted to reflect the offshore transition to offshore zone. Convolute lamination is interpreted to reflect seismic activity which is supported by synsedimentary normal faulting. The lack of bioturbation is considered to reflect high sedimentation rates in a prodelta setting, which in turn foster sediment instability, faulting, and convolution.

2.4. Stratigraphic architecture

The studied exposures of the Camaná Formation comprise twelve sites (black circles in Fig. 2.1C, Table 2.2), where the four most prominent and relevant sections are (i) La Mina (Figs. 2.7 and 2.8), (ii) Quebrada Bandurria (Fig. 2.9), (iii) Puente Camaná (Fig. 2.10), and (iv) La Chira (Fig. 2.11). In this chapter we describe in detail the stratigraphic architecture of the Camaná Formation, starting with the clinotherm-dominated geometry (Section 2.4.1), followed by descriptions of the key bounding surfaces

(Section 2.4.2), and the major depositional units (Section 2.4.3). The bounding surfaces and the characteristics of the depositional units allow for (i) stratigraphic sub-divisions into CamA and CamB units, where CamA unit is further sub-divided into sub-units A1, A2, and A3, and (ii) correlation between different sites and sections (Figs. 2.12 and 2.13).

2.4.1. Analysis of the clinothems geometry

In footwall-derived coarse-grained deltas, a series of vertically stacked delta lobes may form deposits up to several hundred meters thick (Gawthorpe and Colella, 1990). In such settings, the distribution of sediments is typically steady and rapid, and, hence, progradation takes place (Postma, 1990). Clinoforms (Gilbert, 1885; Rich, 1951) consist of basinward dipping surfaces that record the paleo-position of the depositional profile and their progradation in shallow marine, shelf, and slope systems. However, the term clinothem is widely used for inclined deposits (at scales from 10^1 to 10^5 m length, and from 100 to 10^3 m in height, e.g. Helland-Hansen, 1992; Enge, 2008) and for inclined seismic reflectors (Vail, 1977). An analysis of the vertical and lateral stacking of the clinothems in the Camaná Formation reveals their progradational geometry, where clinothems show dimensions from ~5 to ~10 km in length, and ~40 to ~250 m in height. Clinothems are commonly observed in the lower deposits of the Camaná Formation as sigmoidal strata (sub-unit A2, see Section 2.4.3.2). Clinothems dip in basinward (SW) with inclinations between 5° and 15° ; however, the original dip angles are thought to be less, due to an assumed tectonic tilting during Cenozoic.

The clinothems comprise the delta front deposits, where the facies associations FA's S1 and S2 are predominant. For a better explanation of the distribution of the facies associations within the clinothems, we refer to a distinction between (i) upper clinothems and (ii) lower clinothems (Fig. 2.14). The upper clinothems reflect the proximal development of the delta front, containing typically beds of FA S2 and minor S1. The proximal tempestites are abundant in the upper clinothems. The lower clinothems represent the basinward extensions of the upper clinothems, containing typically beds of FA S1 and subordinate FA S2 with intermediate and distal tempestites.

2.4.2. Key bounding surfaces

This section describes the general characteristics of the intra-formational bounding surfaces of the Camaná Formation (Table 2.2), and the criteria that define them as chrono-stratigraphic units. Major unconformities are marked by striking lithological differences (i.e. CamA and CamB), whereas in CamA three sub-units are defined, each one by means of lower-order bounding surfaces (i.e. sub-units A1, A2, and A3).

The basal deposits of CamA (i.e. sub-unit A1) are restricted to comparatively small outcrops of just a few meters to some tens of meters in thickness (see Section 2.4.3.1). Therefore, it is difficult to observe its depositional geometry at larger scale. The contact with the underlying Proterozoic basement and the Carboniferous Ambo Group is erosive as observed in Quebrada La Chira and Playa La Chira (Figs. 2.4A, 2.4D, 2.4E, and 2.13). The deposits of the sub-unit A2 also show erosive contact with the underlying basement (e.g. Ordovician San Nicolas Batholith in section Puente Camaná, Fig. 2.10). We consider this boundary as basal unconformity (*bu*) of the Camaná Basin (Table 2.2).

2.4.2.1. A1/basement and A2/basement boundaries

A2/A1 boundary

The strata of A1 are slightly inclined (or tilted) compared to the superimposed beds of the sub-unit A2. Beds of A1 are truncated on top by the deposition of A2, forming an unconformity (dotted white lines in Figs. 2.4B, 2.4D, and 2.4E, Quebrada La Chira). The definition of an erosive surface is based on the subsequent deposition of clinothems and the presence of exceptional conglomerates forming the base of the sub-unit A2 (e.g. Playa La Chira and Quilca), which reflect two clearly different

sedimentary environments (see Sections 2.4.3.1 and 2.4.3.2). Hence, it is possible to assign a bounding surface between the sub-units A1 and A2.

The type of bounding surface is defined by the geometry of the clinothem of A2, indicating voluminous and prograding delta lobes, often showing a downstepping geometry (e.g. Fig. 2.8C, La Mina; Fig. 2.9A, Quebrada Bandurria) (see Section 2.4.3.2), reflecting relative sea-level fall (see Section 2.5.1). This type of deposition involves erosion of underlying deposits (sub-unit A1 and pre-Cenozoic basement, e.g. San Nicolas Batholith and Ambo Group. With such criteria, we consider the boundary between A1 and A2 as an erosive surface, more specifically *basal surface of forced regression (bsfr)*. Thus, a time-gap may be expected between A2 and A1 deposits (Fig. 2.15).

		NW												SE		
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12			
		La Planchada	Qda. La Chira	Playa La Chira	C° Bodeguillas	Pucchun	Pte. Camaná	Qda. Bandurria	La Mina	C° Los Cerrillos	Las Cuevas	La Virgen	Quilca			
CamB		G2	G2	G1			G2 G1	G2 G1	G2 G1							
surface		?					mfs									
CamA	A3	F	S2 S1	S1 F	F	S1 F	G1 S2 S1	G1 S2 S1	G1 S2 S1	F S1	S2	S2	S2			
	surface		?				mrs					cc				
	A2		S2	S2 S1			S2 S1	S2 S1	S2 S1		S2					
	surface		?				bsfr				bu					
	A1		S3	S3						S3			S3	S3		
surface		?					bu									

Table 2.2. Distribution of the facies associations defined for the Camaná Formation from NW to SE. Abbreviations: *mfs* = maximum flooding surface, *mrs* = maximum regressive surface, *bsfr* = basal surface of forced regression, *bu* = basal unconformity, *cc* = correlative conformity. For facies associations see Table 2.1.

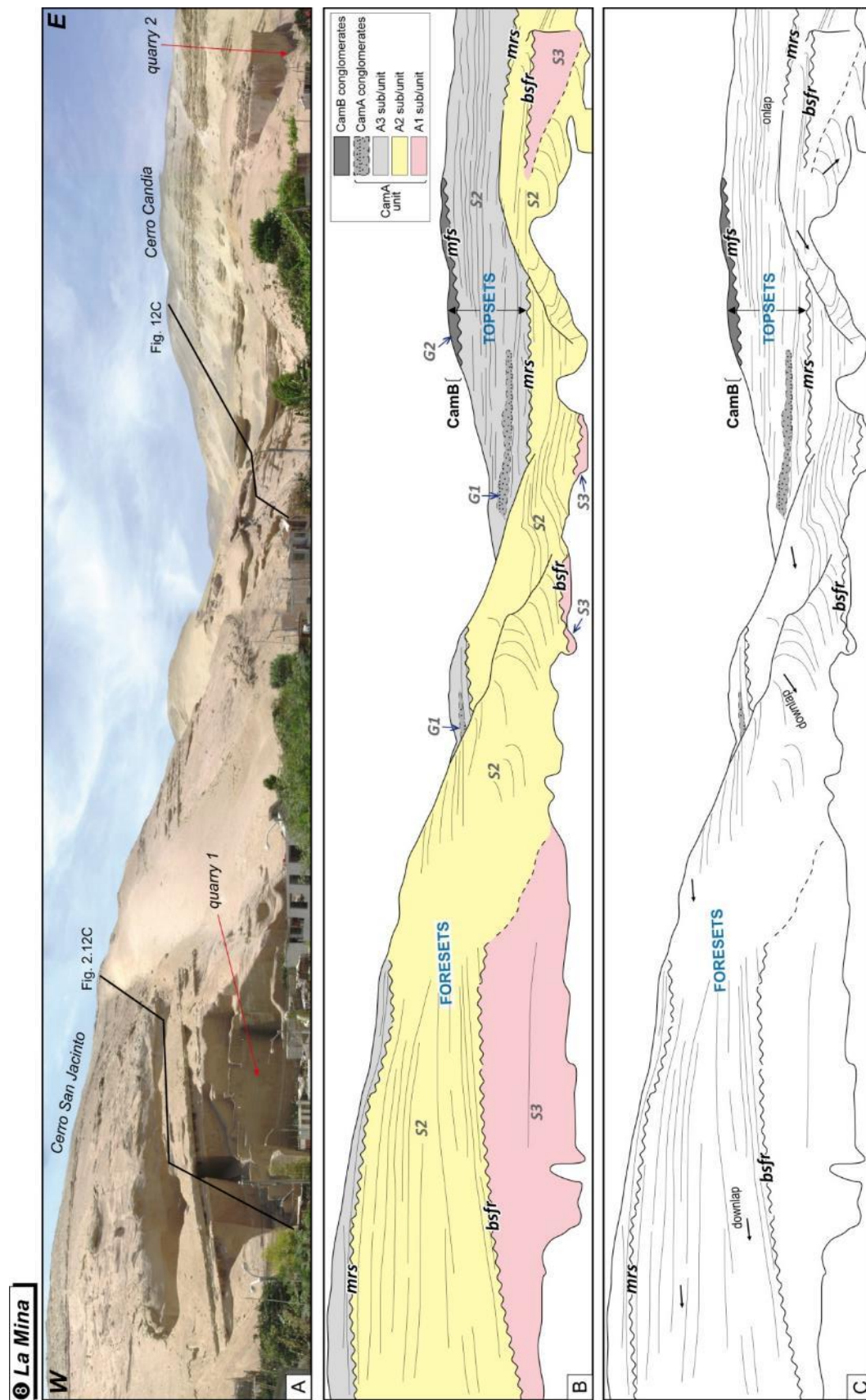


Fig. 2.7. Panoramic view of La Mina (continue to the right in Fig. 2.8). A: Locations of Cerro San Jacinto (west), and Cerro Candia (east) in the Quebrada Pastor. Fossil shark teeth were collected from the quarries of building material by Apolín (2001) and Vega and Marocco (2004). Stratigraphic section of La Mina is indicated in black lines (Fig. 2.12C). B: Facies associations and bounding surfaces at La Mina. Conglomerates of FA G1 in A3 are observed in the Cerro Candia. C: Stacking patterns and depositional attributes. Abbreviations: *bsfr* = basal surface of forced regression, *mrs* = maximum regressive surface, *mfs* = maximum flooding surface.

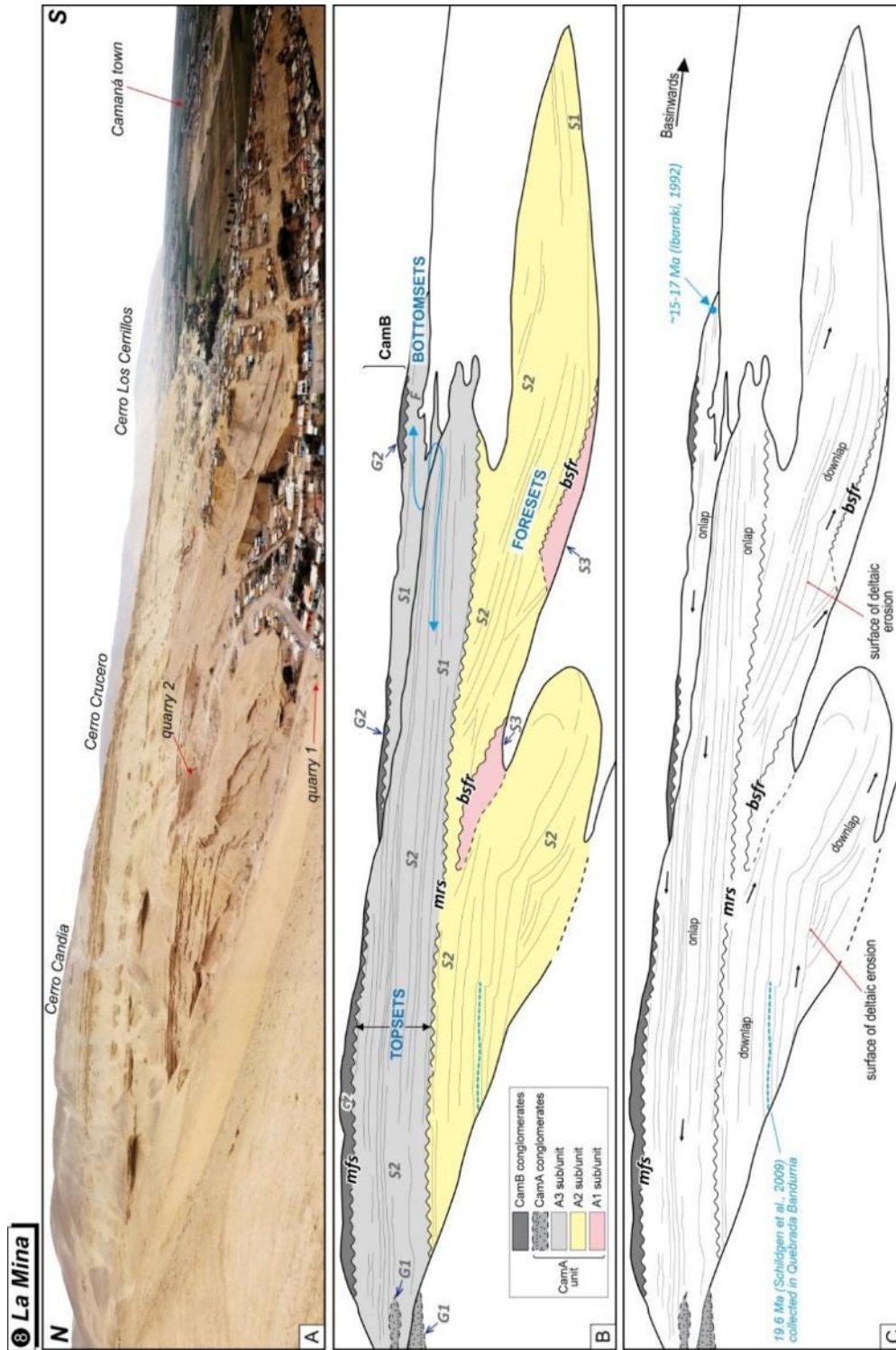


Fig. 2.8. Continuation to the right of La Mina section. A: Locations of Cerro Candia (north), Cerro Crucero, and Cerro Los Cerrillos (south) along the Quebrada Pastor. B: Facies associations in La Mina. In A1, FA S2 changes to FA S1. In A2, FA S2 changes laterally to FA S1 and finally to FA F, seen between Cerro Candia and Cerro Los Cerrillos. Blue arrow indicates lateral changes of sedimentary facies for A3. Blue dashed line indicates a zircon (U-Th)/He age of 19.6 Ma, Schildgen et al., 2009) in Quebrada Bandurria (see Fig. 2.9, and Section 2.6.1.2). Blue arrow indicates ~17-15 Ma-old foraminifera zones (Tsuchi et al., 1990, see Section 2.6.1.3) C: Geometry of the deltaic deposits and their respective bounding surfaces. Abbreviations: *bsfr* = basal surface of forced regression, *mfs* = maximum regressive surface, *mfs* = maximum flooding surface.

A3/A2 boundary

The upper clinothem of sub-unit A2 does not exhibit any evidence of subaerial exposures; however, the offlapping and ravinement surfaces that are formed in the shoreface by consecutive deltaic progradation have produced a regressive surface, which later faces erosion by wave reworking (e.g. Nummedal and Swift, 1987; Catuneanu, 2002; Catuneanu et al., 2009). Hence, a ravinement surface separates the upper clinothem of sub-unit A2 from the overlying onlapping shoreface deposits of sub-unit A3 (Figs. 2.7 and 2.8). This boundary is considered as *maximum regressive surface* (*mrs*) (or transgressive surface, Posamentier and Vail, 1988) which marks the pronounced geometric boundary between the prograding strata below (A2) and the onlapping strata above (A3) (e.g. Helland-Hansen and Martinsen, 1996; Catuneanu 2002). The *mrs* at the A3-A2 grades seaward into a *correlative conformity* (*cc*) (Figs. 2.14).

CamB/A3 boundary

On top of sub-unit A3, the conglomerates have produced an erosive surface which is considered the CamB/A3 boundary. This boundary is widespread in the entire area and easy to recognize in the field (Figs. 2.7, 2.8, and 2.10). It is considered as a *maximum flooding surface* (*mfs*), and thus suggests the onset of a regression (e.g. Catuneanu, 2002). The progradation of the coarse-grained CamB deposits reflects the regression of the shoreline, and a time-gap may be assumed between CamB and A3.

2.4.3. Depositional units of the Camaná Formation

At basin scale, the final geometry of a deltaic deposit is the result of the interplay between sediment supply, accommodation space, and basin geometry, which control its growth style and profile (Postma, 1990). Hence, a basin controlled by tectonics (such as the Camaná Basin, Roperch et al., 2006) is expected to differ between other basins or even segments of the same basin (e.g. Hardenbol et al., 1998). Despite some differences in thickness and strata geometry for each depositional unit and/or sub-unit of the Camaná Formation, we present a general basin-wide sedimentary characterization for the three sub-units of CamA and for the CamB unit (Fig. 2.15).

2.4.3.1. Sub-unit A1 of CamA

Deposits of the sub-unit A1 are considered to be the basal beds of the Camaná Formation and they rest above a basal unconformity (*bu*). Strata of A1 crop out at Quebrada La Chira (Figs. 2.4A and 2.4E), Playa La Chira (Fig. 2.4B), La Mina (Figs. 2.7A and 2.8A), La Virgen (Fig. 2.4C), and Quilca (Fig. 2.4D). Between Quebrada La Chira and Playa La Chira, the sub-unit A1 is up to ~10 m thick, and pinch out landward (NE) allowing for the direct contact between the sub-unit A2 and the Paleozoic basement (Fig. 2.4E); conversely, seaward A1 becomes thicker. Large-scale cross-bedding (Figs. 2.4B and 2.4C) forms part of a large system of distributary channels and suggest high-energy environments (FT Sc). The large amount of interlayered bioclasts (fragmented balanids and echinoids) links sedimentation of A1 to shallow marine conditions.

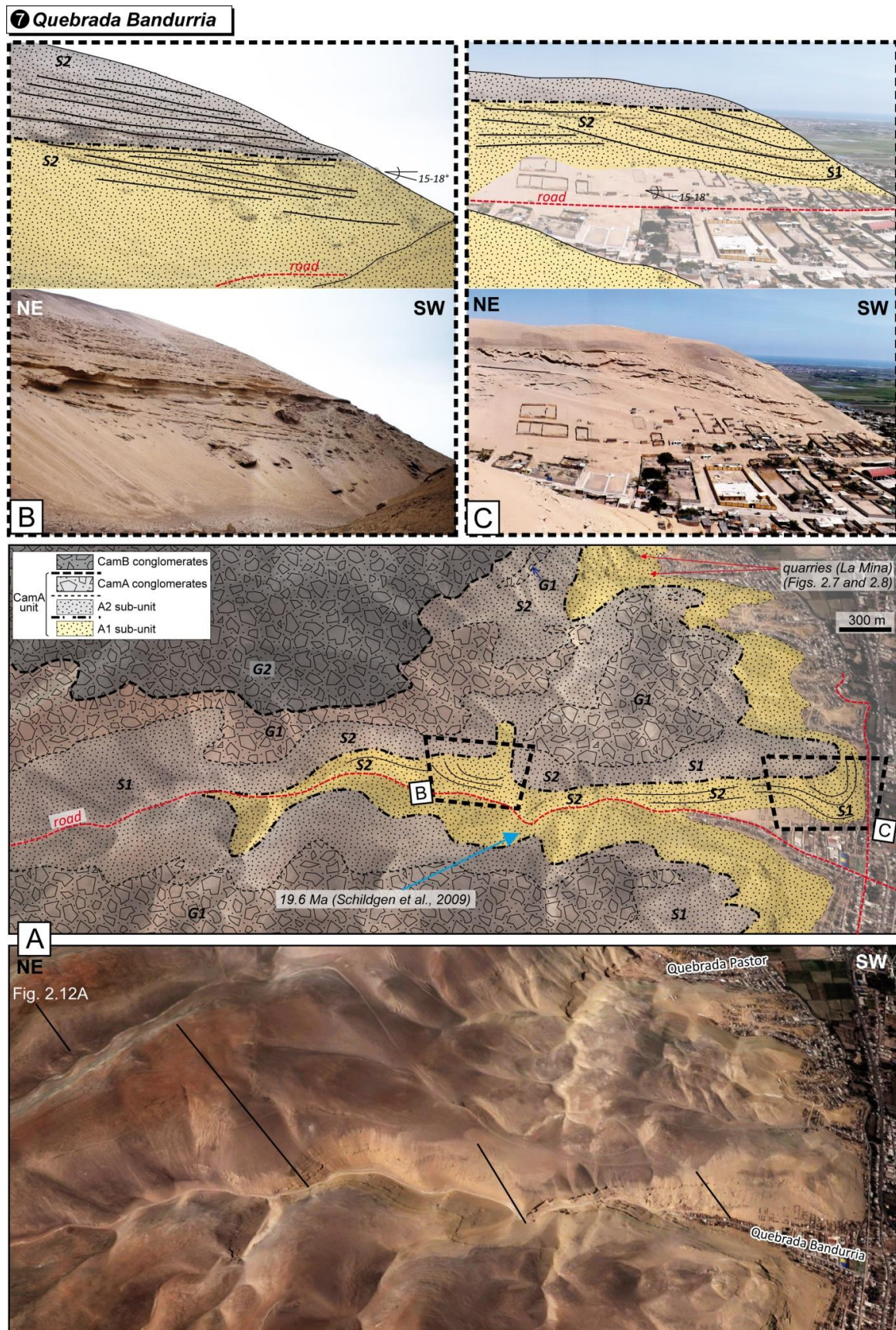


Fig. 2.9. Panoramic view of the Quebrada Bandurria. A: Foresets considered as prograding clinothems of the sub-unit A2. The sub-unit A3 is composed of bioclastic sandstones and conglomerates of FA G1. Black lines indicate stratigraphic section (Fig. 2.12A). Blue arrow indicates a zircon (U-Th)/He age of 19.6 Ma (Schildgen et al., 2009). B and C: Clinothems of A2 are truncated on top by deltaic erosion. Images from Google Earth.

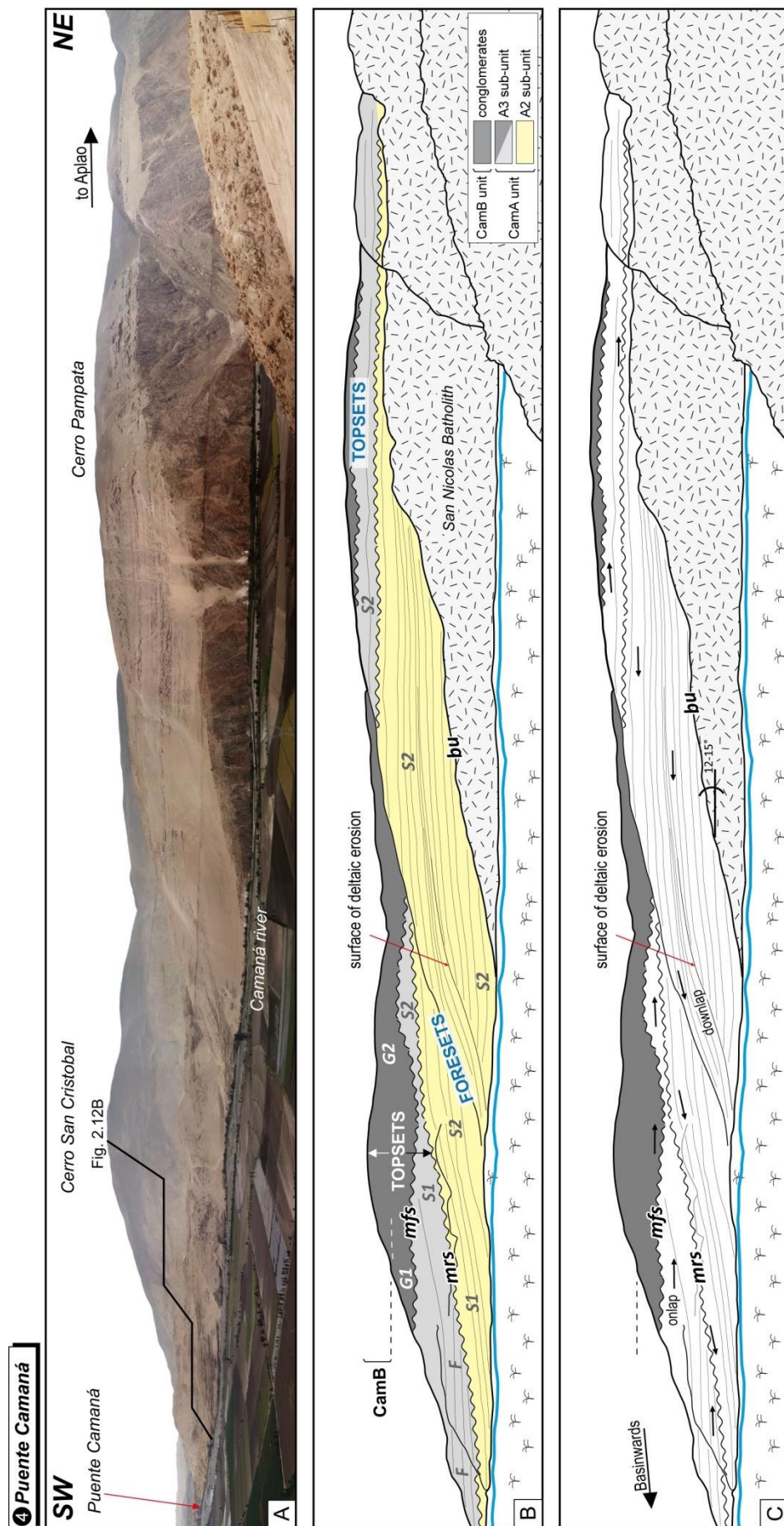


Fig. 2.10. Panoramic view of Puente Camaná outcrops. A: Location of Puente Camaná, Cerro San Cristobal and Cerro Pampata comprising outcrops along the Camaná River. Black line indicates stratigraphic section (Fig. 2.12B). B: Stratigraphic architecture of CamA and CamB, with their representative facies associations. C: Geometries of the deltaic depositional systems and boundaries. Abbreviations: *bu* = basal unconformity, *mrs* = maximum regressive surface, *mfs* = maximum flooding surface.

3 Playa La Chira

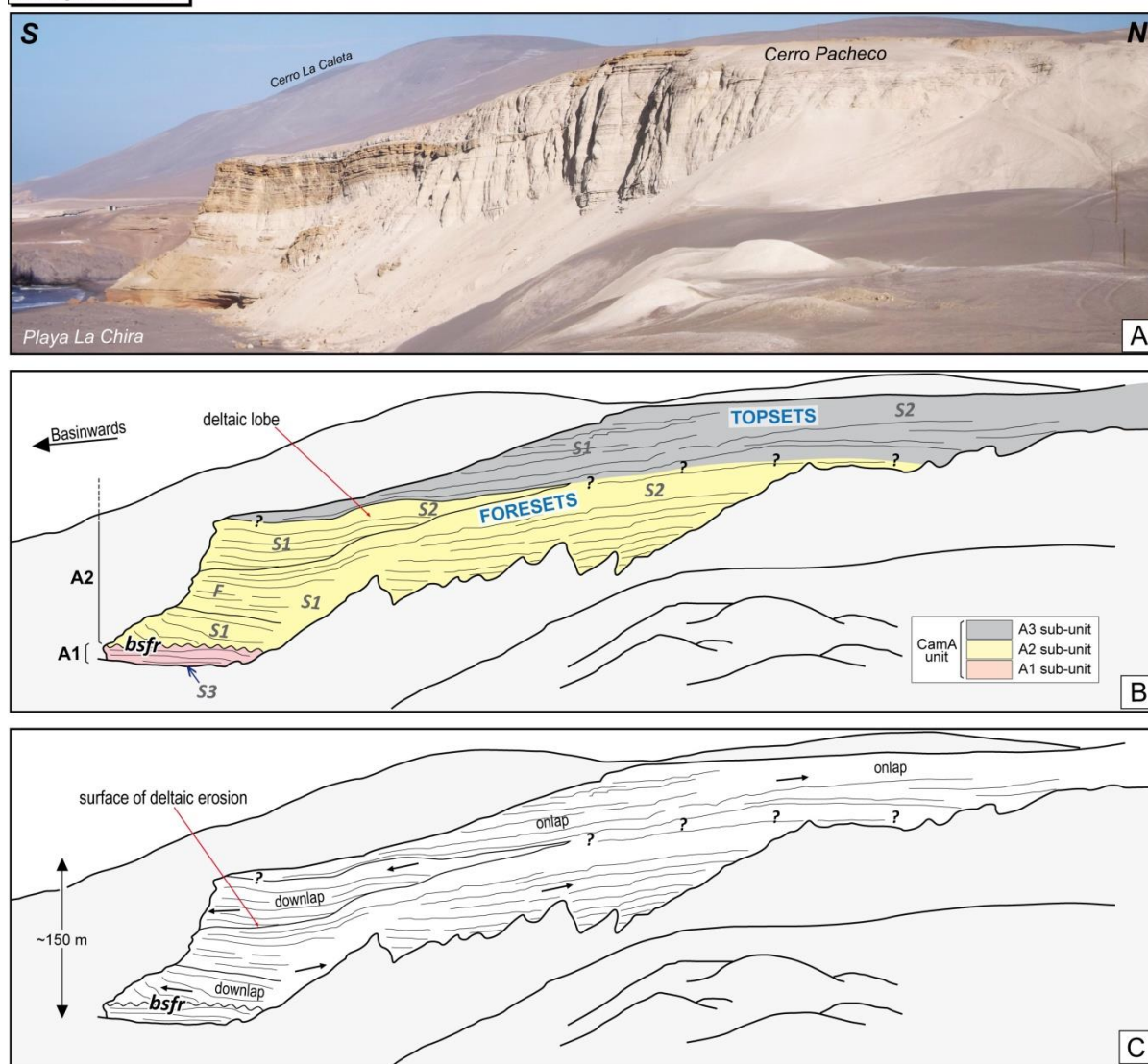


Fig. 2.11. Panoramic view of Playa La Chira, ~26 km northwest of Camaná town. A: The Camaná Formation crops out along the Quebrada La Chira until Playa La Chira. B: Stratigraphic architecture and facies associations in Playa La Chira. A1 lies below A2 by means of an unconformity (*bsfr*). C: Geometry of the sedimentary deposits and depositional attributes. Question marks indicate that the boundary between A2 and A3 is not clear in La Chira. Abbreviations: *bsfr* = basal surface of forced regression.

Deposits of A1 in La Mina (Fig. 2.12C) are thought to be coeval with those described in La Virgen (Fig. 2.12D) and in La Chira (Fig. 2.13), based on similar sedimentary facies. Beds in La Mina consist of mouth bars formed under the influence of a uniform and continuous sediment supply of the delta (FT *Sm*), triggering the deposition of sandy bars parallel to the shoreline. Mouth bars in La Mina, as well as the sandy channels in Playa La Chira, Playa La Virgen, and Quilca, were eroded on top by progradational deltaic lobes of sub-unit A2.

2.4.3.2. Sub-unit A2 of CamA

The erosive behavior of the deltaic deposition of the sub-unit A2 triggered erosional unconformities (*bu* and *bsfr*) (Fig. 2.4E). Deposits of the sub-unit A2 are observable at La Mina (Figs. 2.7A and 2.8A), Quebrada Bandurria (Fig. 2.9A), Puente Camaná (Fig. 2.10A), and Playa La Chira (Fig. 2.11A), and they are featured by the presence of clinotherms (up to ~100 m thick, see Fig. 2.12A, Quebrada Bandurria and Fig. 2.12B, Puente Camaná). Clinotherms are exclusive of the sub-unit A2. They

form offlapping progradational lobes of a coarse-grained delta, arranged in downstepping deltaic complexes (white lines in Fig. 2.12).

The clinothems of A2 have been developed in delta front environments triggering both a basal unconformity (*bu*, see Fig. 2.10C, Puente Camaná) and a basal surface of forced regression (*bsfr*, see Fig. 2.11C, Playa La Chira) at the base. On top, clinothems are bounded by offlapping deposits, whereas a maximum regressive surface (*mrs*) is assigned. Clinothems are produced by a relative falling of the sea level (see Section 2.5.1), and they are interpreted to prograde toward SW by well-defined drainages system whose trunk stream supplied sediment to a restricted area at the shoreline, e.g. La Chira, Camaná town, La Virgen, and Punta del Bombón. These deposits are sub-divided into two parts, upper clinothems and lower clinothems, in agreement with their spatial relation and the changing facies associations (Fig. 2.14), where the lower clinothems represent basinward extensions of the upper clinothems.

In the upper clinothems, the association between proximal tempestites (with gutter cast, Fig. 2.4G), high-angle cross stratification (Fig. 2.5A), and Glossifungites ichnofacies (probably *Diplocraterion*, Fig. 2.6A) (included in FA S2) within delta lobes (Fig. 2.3F) is considered as sandstones of the shoaling wave dominated zone, which are highly influenced by waves reworking and storms. The upper clinothems are characterized by the presence of planktonic and benthic foraminifera, i.e. similar to the genus *Ephistominella*, *Bolivina*, *Catapsidrax*, *Globigerina*, and *Bulimina* (Plate 2.1: A-F, Puente Camaná) suggesting shallow marine environments in proximity to the coastline (Pardo, 1969). Wave and storm-dominated processes reflect strong reworking and/or erosive surfaces that simultaneously decrease in ravinement intensity basinward along the topmost clinothem complex (black dashed lines in Fig. 2.15) triggering storm erosion and redeposition (e.g. Einsele, 2000).

There, the predominance of proximal tempestites with sole marks (e.g. gutter cast) is interpreted to occur in sedimentary environments very close or below to the fair-weather wave base (e.g. middle to lower shoreface, Einsele, 2000). The probably *Diplocraterion* ichnofacies (Glossifungites) is related to depositional hiatuses and colonization of a firm but unlithified substrate at nearshore sandstones at the delta front (Bann et al., 2004; MacEachern et al., 2005). These deposits are rapidly covered by a later deposition of fine-grained sediments. The association of these facies may suggest the middle shoreface. An erosional surface in topmost A2 is interpreted since the offlapping processes that are driven by constant progradation (e.g. Catuneanu et al., 2009). Furthermore, sediments with FA S2 (especially FT Sxt) are considered to represent shallowest facies of the upper clinothems of A2, and they are interpreted as the nearest facies to the shoreline. There, the progradational behavior of the deltaic deposition triggered a seaward migration of these deposits, including the shoreline (see Section 2.5.1).

Farther basinward, the lateral continuations of these bedsets towards the SW are sub-horizontal, forming distal foresets of the lower delta front (lower clinothems), where an abrupt decrease in grain size is marked by an increase in softground sediments and planktonic foraminifera (mostly *Globigerina*) (e.g. Playa La Chira, Puente Camaná, and Playa La Virgen). The lower clinothems are mostly composed of a mixture of FA's S2 and S1, where finer-grained sediments of FA S1 are predominant. In such sediments (siltstones and/or marls) are suitable for *Thalassinoides* ichnofacies (Fig. 2.6B, Playa La Chira) (e.g. Savrda et al., 2003; Buatois et al., 2002; MacEachern et al., 2005), typically ranging from moderate to low energy levels below the fair-weather wave base, and above the storm wave-base (Pemberton et al., 1992). However, they are associated with intermediate tempestites, which are interpreted to form in slightly deeper waters, probably close to the storm wave base, where the storm influence is poor and allows fine-grained sedimentation (Walker and Plint, 1992; Einsele, 2000; Storms, 2003). Hence, lower clinothems are interpreted to occur along the interface of the lower shoreface to offshore transition zone, as a basinward continuation of the upper clinothems (Table 2.1 and Fig. 2.14). Deposits of sub-unit A2 most likely extend in the subsurface and probably also the offshore region, with an assumed increase in thickness. Available information suggests an Early Miocene age (see Fig. 2.9A and Section 2.6.1.2).

2.4.3.3. Sub-unit A3 of CamA

Onlapping deposits of the sub-unit A3 are observed at La Mina (Figs. 2.7B and 2.8B), Quebrada Bandurria (Fig. 2.9B), Puente Camaná (Fig. 2.10B), and probably at Playa La Chira (Fig. 2.11B) and La Planchada. The sub-unit A3 is featured by its onlapping geometry, which is bounded at the base by a transgressive ravinement surface (*rs*), and on topmost by a maximum flooding surface (*mfs*), marking the final stage of the onlapping deposition (e.g. Catuneanu, 2002). Effects of this depositional phase occur intensely at the upper shoreface also with persistent storm erosion and reworking during shoreline transgression, which is finally onlapped by transgressive shoreface deposits (e.g. Catuneanu et al., 2011). The general geometry of the sub-unit A3 consists of several onlapping sedimentary layers that form aggradational and retrogradational deposits, produced by a relative sea-level rise (see Section 2.5.2). A3 forms as well topsets conforming sub-horizontal beds (mostly with FA's *S2* and minor *G1*) which are strongly influenced by wave reworking and tempestite tractive processes during the continuous sediment influx of the delta.

During onlapping deposition of A3, progradational gravelly influx of FA *G1* is initiated (~30-60 m thick, e.g. Quebrada Bandurria, Fig. 2.9A and La Mina, Fig. 2.8B) and pinches out towards the SW (seaward). This feature differs from the typical onlapping architecture expected for a transgressive stage (see Section 2.5.2). The sudden occurrence of gravel deposits is interpreted as a strong fluvial influx that was influenced by uplift in the hinterland and/or subsidence during a sea-level rise more than a climatic influence (see Section 2.6.3). This fluvial influx of FA *G1* changes from fluvial to marginal marine, showing intermingling with facies similar to FT *Ss*. The large amount of andesite and quartzarenite pebbles in FA *G1* suggests source rocks from the hinterland and/or Western Cordillera. Despite this deposition, general onlapping processes continued (as seen in La Mina section, Fig. 2.12C) until the completion of the shoreface deposition of A3 (Fig. 2.14). The remaining stacking of the sub-unit A3 is rather similar to the sandy bedsets below the conglomerates of FA *G1* (FA's *S2* and *S1*). Despite the progradational style of FA *G1* within the sub-unit A3, the onlapping deposition still shows aggrading and retrograding deltaic geometries (Fig. 2.14) until the superimposed deposition of CamB.

Basinward, facies changes in deposits of A3 are reflected in the transition from coarse-grained sandstones (FA *S2*) to finer-grained sandstones (FA *S1*), and siltstones to marls (FA *F*) (see lateral changes of FA's in Figs. 2.14 and 2.15). For instance, in Cerro San Jacinto and Cerro Candia (Figs. 2.7A and 2.8B), beds with FA *S2* suggest major contribution of fine-grained sedimentation. At Cerro Los Cerrillos, some minor channels with FA's *S1* and *F* (FT *Fs*) are interpreted as a sporadic progradational discharge with abundant fine-grained portions from fallout settlement in slightly deeper depositional environments, where intermediate tempestite occur frequently. There, ichnofacies similar to *Thalassinoides* within FA *F* (FT *Fs*, Fig. 2.5G) frequently occur. These evidences suggest middle shoreface to lower shoreface environments (e.g. Einsele, 2000; Buatois et al., 2002).

In parallel (between Puente Camaná and Cerro Bodeguillas, and in La Planchada), intermediate and distal tempestites are intimately related to rapid from suspension deposition after waning of fine-grained particles below the fair-weather wave base (i.e. offshore transition zone). In these sediments, *Thalassinoides* (e.g. Puente Camaná, Fig. 2.6C, and Cerro San Cristobal) and *Cruziana* ichnofacies (Pucchun, Fig. 2.6D) are abundant. Vertical and sub-vertical dwellings of *Thalassinoides* and *Cruziana*, respectively, are common in softground settings such as marl, which corresponds to an opportunistic colonization related to distal tempestite deposition (Bann et al., 2004; MacEachern et al., 2005). Such ichnofacies supports deposition in a lower shoreface to offshore transition zone setting (Pemberton et al., 1992; Buatois et al., 2002).

The common presence of planktonic foraminifera (i.e. similar to the genus *Globigerina*, see Plate 2.1: M-Q), especially within the micrites of FA *F* supports a distal setting relatively far from the coast, as proposed first by Pardo (1969) and Ibaraki (1992). Synsedimentary approximately N-S striking normal faulting, commonly appears in this type of sedimentation, i.e. in beds with FT *Sb* (Fig. 2.5E, Puente Camaná), as well as some convolute structures interpreted as evidences of strong seismicity (La Planchada, Fig. 2.5I). In conclusion, the overall deposits of the sub-unit A3 include different and changing depositional settings, between middle shoreface and offshore transition. A *maximum*

flooding surface bounds topmost A3 sub-unit and lower CamB unit, and marks the end of the relative sea-level rise (see Section 2.5.3).

2.4.3.4. *CamB unit*

These deposits are observable at Puente Camaná (Figs. 2.7B and 2.8B, Fig. 2.9B, La Mina, and Fig. 2.10B, Quebrada Bandurria). The underlying shallow-marine deposits of the sub-unit A3 is truncated on top by an erosive surface (mfs) and covered by ~230 m thick repetitions of large-scale channelized conglomerates defined as the CamB unit (see Fig. 2.12). The deposition of CamB unit is interpreted as the onset of a new prograding and aggrading fluvial depositional system. They are typically arranged at the deltaic topsets; however, they maintain their prograding and aggrading behaviors, and a hiatus between CamB and A3 is suggested.

Conglomerates of CamB are different from those of CamA (FA G1, in sub-unit A3). The main differences between conglomerates of CamA and CamB are based on (i) the presence/absence of significant marine influence, (ii) pebble composition, and (iii) presence/absence of reworked ash. For instance, conglomerates of CamA (FA G1) are, although fluvial deposits themselves, frequently interbedded with shallow marine sandstones (Table 2.1, Fig. 2.7B), while conglomerates of CamB (FA G2) are fluvial deposits, except for very rare marine incursions at the base of CamB interpreted as minor marginal marine influences (see Section 2.3.1.2). The remaining stacking of CamB reflects its entirely fluvial nature. The second difference refers to the pebble composition. Pebbles of the sub-unit A3 of CamA show a large amount of andesites (up to ~70%), with subordinate quartzarenites (~14%) and gneisses. Conglomerates of CamB unit show a progressive increase of quartzarenite pebbles (up to ~32%), with decreasing andesite (~53%), and minor rhyolite, gneiss, granite, and diorite pebbles, suggesting a second major source rock placed in the Western Cordillera, such as the Mesozoic Yura Group, plus younger volcanic products (likely the Coastal Batholith and/or Lower Barroso Formation). Overall, strata with FA G2 of CamB unit frequently contain reworked ash within the conglomerates, whereas conglomerates of A3 of CamA (FA G1) have no any reworked ash.

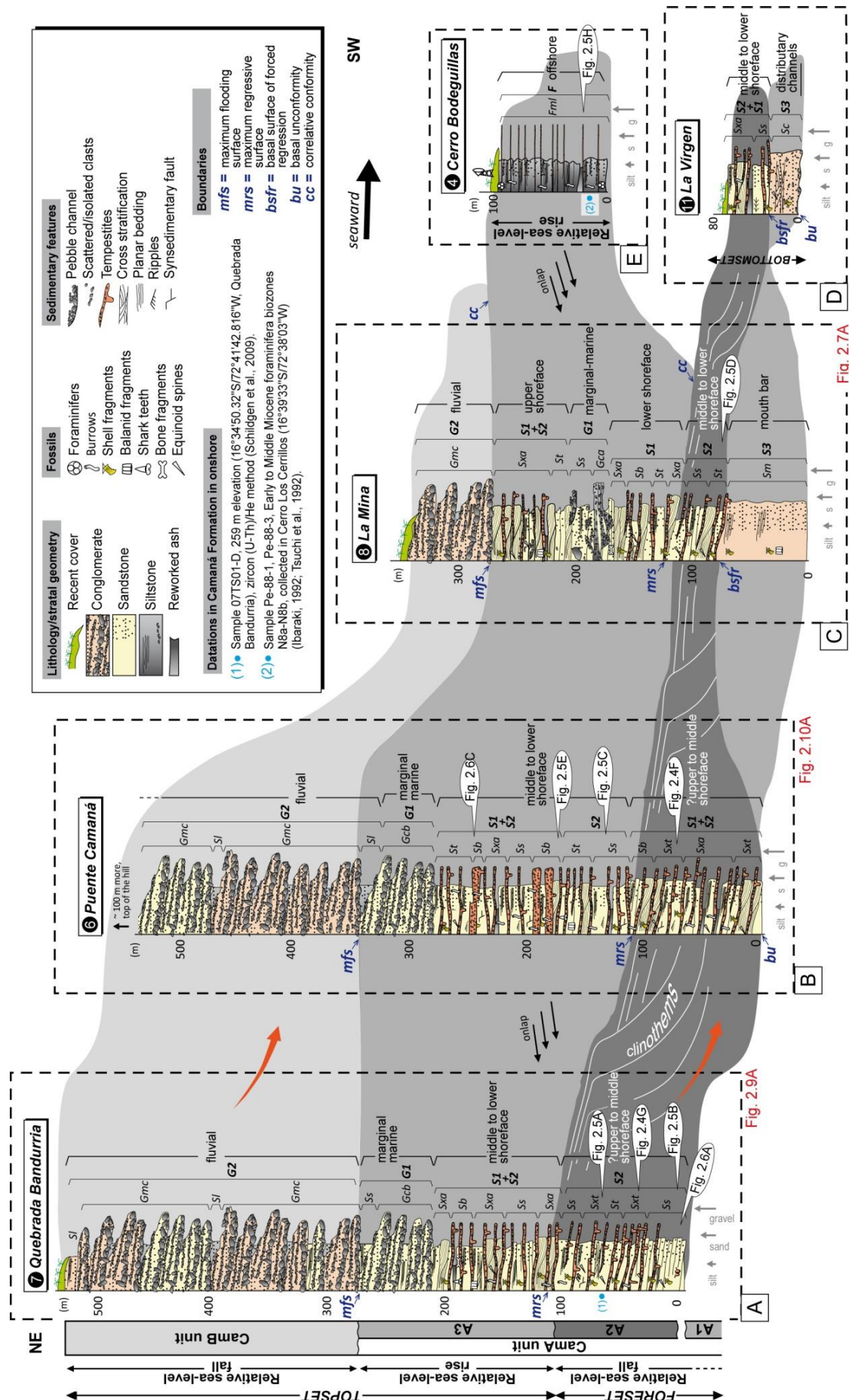


Fig. 2.12. Stratigraphic logs of the Camaná Formation. The CamA unit is further sub-divided into three sub-units (i.e. sub-units A1, A2, and A3). A1 is described as the basal layering. A2 represents progradational clinothemms seen mostly as foresets (white lines). A3 is described as onlapping deposits. To see the location of the numbered sections refer to Fig. 2.1.

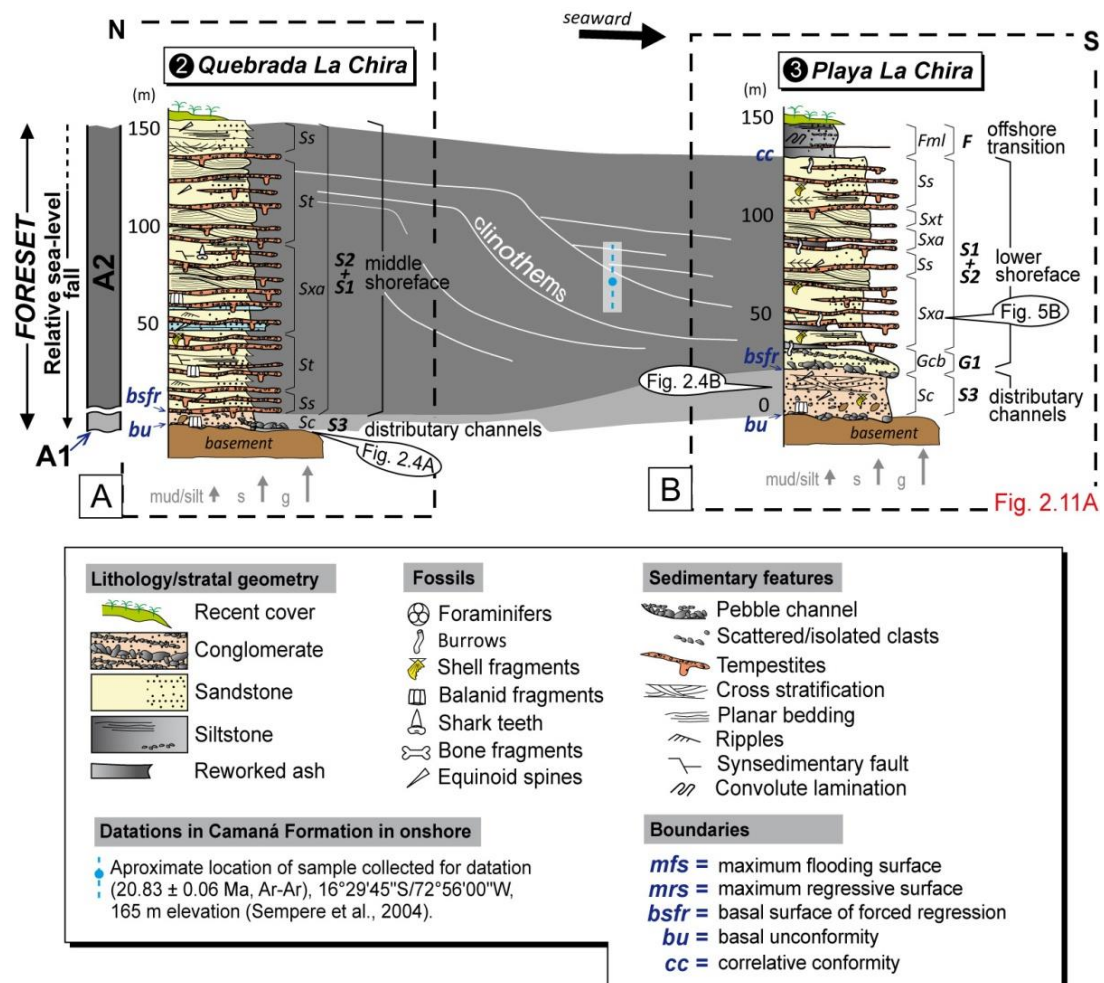


Fig. 2.13. Stratigraphic logs at Quebrada La Chira and Playa La Chira, northern Camaná town. Strata of A1 with FA S3 underlay unconformably the clinothems of the sub-unit A2 (see Fig. 2.4E). To see the location of the sections refer to Fig. 2.1.

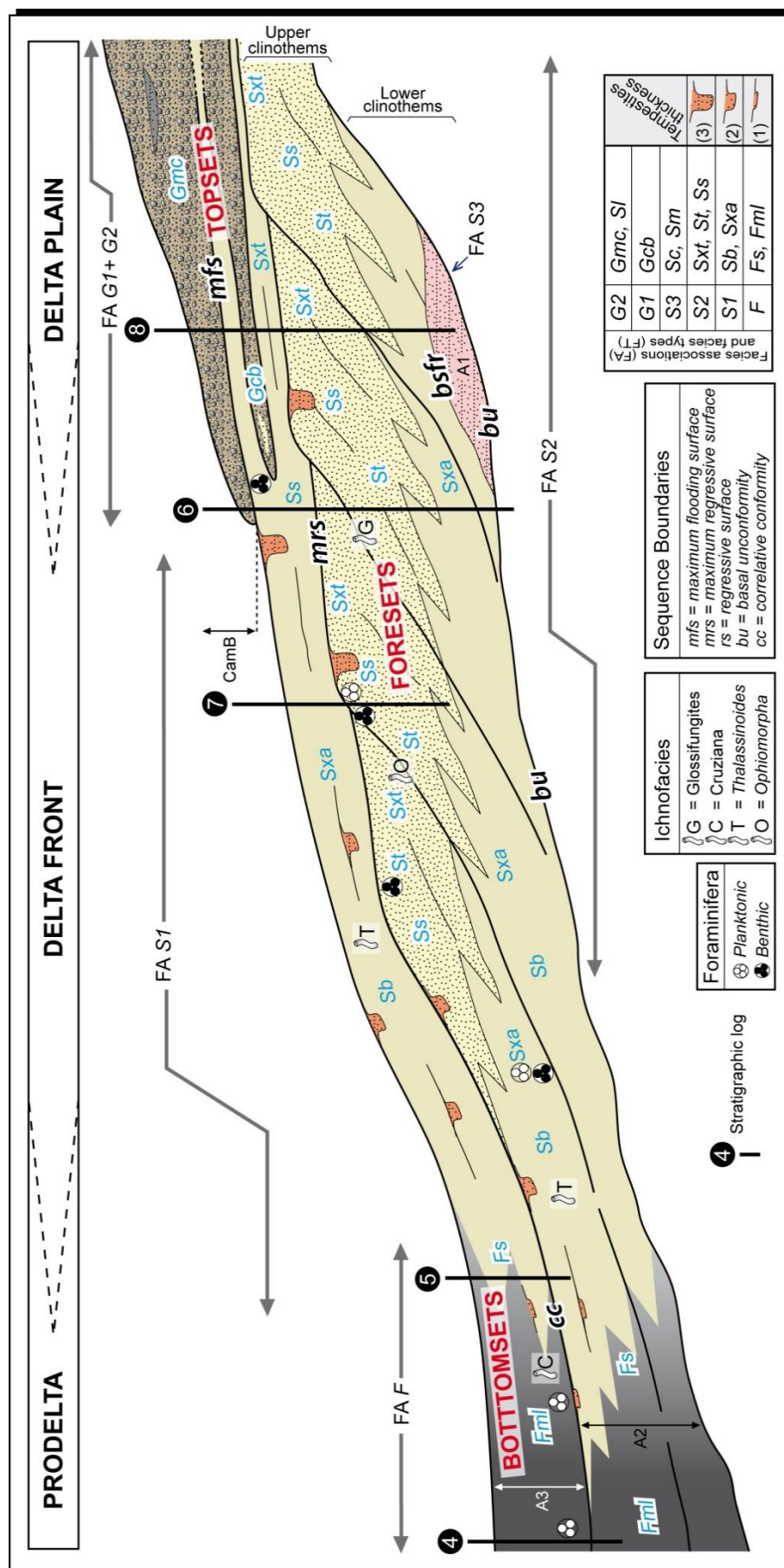


Fig. 2.14. Depositional settings of the Camaná Formation, the main geometrical aspects, and spatial distribution of the facies types and facies associations. The Camaná delta shows the three main geometrical components, i.e. delta front, and prodelta, as well as the three main geometrical components, i.e. topsets, foresets, and bottomsets. Each geometrical component shows different depositional features. Foresets are referred to the clinotherms observed in A2 of CamA, where a distinction between "upper clinotherms" and "lower clinotherms" is suggested on the basis of facies and spatial relations. Storm-layers are classified as (1) millimeter-thick (Distal tempestite), (2) centimeter-thick (Intermediate tempestite), and (3) decimeter-thick (Proximal tempestite). Black circled numbers indicate stratigraphic logs: 4 = Cerro Bodeguillas, 5 = Pucchun, 6 = Puente Camaná, 7 = Quebrada Bandurria, 8 = La Mina.

2.5. Sequence stratigraphic model of the Camaná Formation

Systems tracts are linkages of contemporaneous depositional systems that are genetically related and bounded by sequence surfaces (Brown and Fisher, 1977; Catuneanu et al., 2009, 2011). These systems tracts are defined on the basis of stratal stacking patterns and facies associations. They are not meant to imply a specific time or position in the eustatic global curve (van Wagoner et al., 1988). Haq et al. (1987) and Mitchum and Wagoner (1991) describe 2nd order eustatic cycles (sequence cycles ranging between 2 and 50 Ma), referring to regressive cycles during the Late Oligocene, a transgressive cycle during the Early Miocene to the early Middle Miocene, and again a later regressive cycle during the rest of the Middle Miocene to Late Miocene. However, the eustatic model proposed for the Camaná Formation (Fig. 2.16) describes sequences that differ partly from the global transgressive-regressive (T-R) cycles. These differences are used to determine which factors dominate and/or interact during basin filling. Note that the model depicted in Fig. 2.16 is centered on one relative sea-level cycle (orange-blue lines), although the hiatuses shown in Fig. 2.15 imply that individual systems tracts may belong to subsequent T-R cycles.

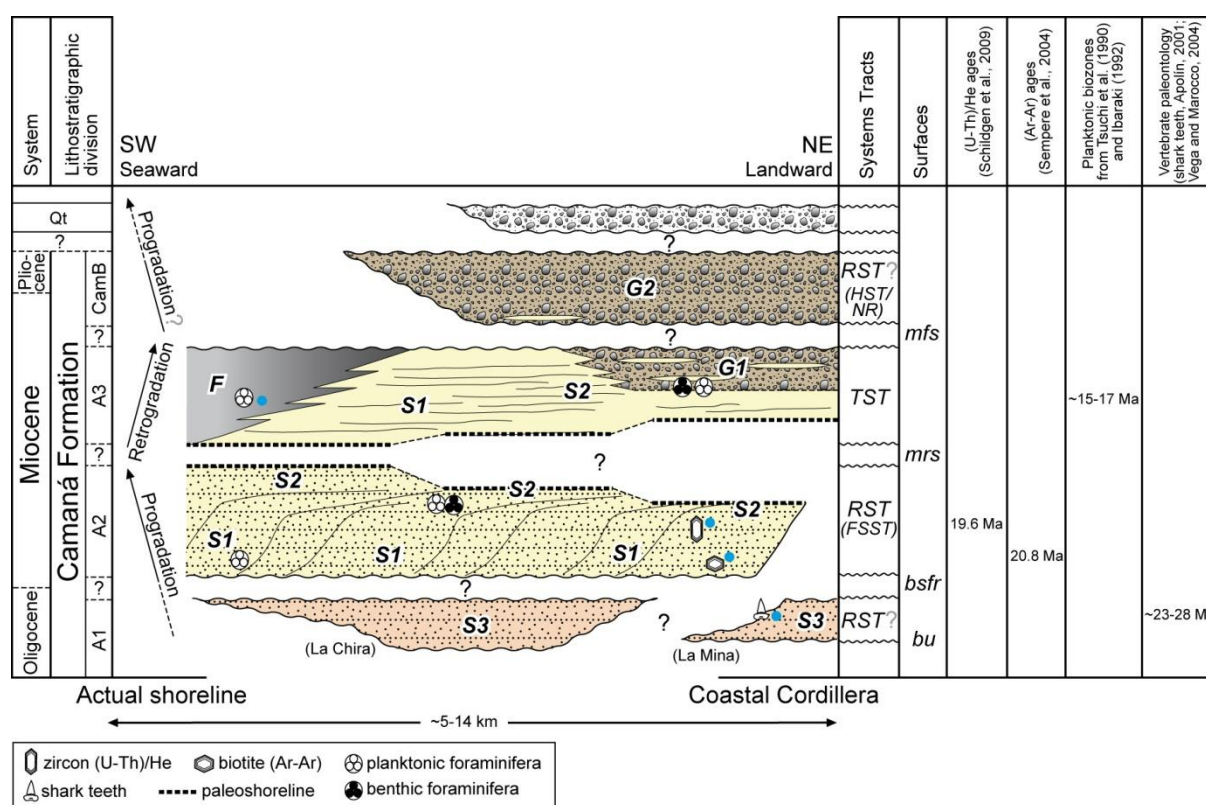


Fig. 2.15. Wheeler-type diagram of the Camaná Formation. A1 is tentatively assigned to the ~Upper Oligocene. Strata of A2 are defined as progradational clinothems formed during a regressive systems tract (*RST*) in ~Early Miocene, triggering a shoreline migration seaward (thick black dashed lines of A2). Hiatus between A2 and A3 is larger in the vicinity of the shoreline (hiatus between thick black dashed lines of A2 and A3). A3 consists of retrograding and aggrading deltas deposited during a transgressive systems tract (*TST*) in the ~late Early Miocene to early Middle Miocene. CamB is suggested to be deposited during a regressive (or highstand) systems tract (*RST*). Blue point indicates referential position of datations. Abbreviations: *NR* = normal regression, *HST* = highstand systems tract, *FSST* = falling stage systems tract, *bu* = basal unconformity, *bsfr* = basal surface of forced regression, *mrs* = maximum regressive surface, *mfs* = maximum flooding surface.

On the basis of a genetic characterization, we present three systems tracts organized in a sequence stratigraphic framework (Fig. 2.15), where regressions are related to progradational stacking patterns (and a seaward migration of the shoreline), and transgressions are linked to aggradational and/or retrogradational geometries (and a landward migration of the shoreline). Shoreline trajectory

within the Camaná Formation (thick, coarse, dashed black lines in Fig. 2.15) is defined as a migration path along the depositional dip, that is useful to describe internal architecture and their systems tracts, formed as a response to successive rises and falls of relative sea-level (e.g. Helland-Hansen and Gjelberg, 1994).

2.5.1. ~Early Miocene stage (sub-unit A2 of CamA): relative sea-level fall (regressive systems tract)

The general geometry of the sub-unit A2 is ruled by well-defined progradational clinothems, leading to the formation of subsequent deltaic lobes. Offlapping and downstepping relations of these clinothems (Fig. 2.16A) suggest a reduction in the accommodation space due to a relative sea-level fall (e.g. Galloway, 1989; Plint and Nummedal, 2000; Bhattacharya and Willis, 2001; Catuneanu et al., 2011). These features correspond to a regressive systems tract (*RST*), where a forced regression is very probably to occur (e.g. Posamentier et al., 1992; Catuneanu et al., 2002). During the voluminous progradation of the clinothems, the shoreline was forced to advance seaward facing continuously shallow waters. Such a drift confirms a relative fall in sea level and supports a forced regression (e.g. Helland-Hansen and Gjelberg, 1994; Catuneanu, 2011), indicating the formation of a *falling stage system tract* (*FSST*, Plint and Nummedal, 2000). The upper surface of this *FSST* is featured by offlapping geometries at the top of the upper clinothems, and by the basinward appearance of gutter casts (FT S2) on middle shoreface sediments (e.g. Plint and Nummedal, 2000). We conclude that, deposition of the sub-unit A2 most likely occurred during a *FSST*. Clinothems of the sub-unit A2 are bounded on top by a *maximum regressive surface* (*mrs*).

In contrast to the global transgressive trend suggested by Haq et al. (1987) and Hardenbol et al. (1998) for the Early Miocene, progradational attributes of the sub-unit A2 reflects a high rate of sediment input along with a relative sea-level fall. Given the overall dry climate in the southern Peruvian forearc (see Section 2.6.3), tectonic uplift of the Coastal Cordillera and occasional precipitations producing high sediment input is inferred from the observed stacking patterns.

2.5.2. ~late Early Miocene to early Middle Miocene stage (sub-unit A3 of CamA): relative sea-level rise (transgressive systems tract)

A *mrs* is considered as boundary and base of the sub-unit A3. This *mrs* marks the end of the *FSST* of the sub-unit A2 and defines the onset of a relative sea-level rise. A transgressive systems tract (*TST*) starts when the sea-level rises and outpaces the sedimentary input into the accommodation space (Galloway, 1989; Catuneanu, 2002). Hence, aggradational or retrogradational patterns are developed that blanket the underlying clinothems of the sub-unit A2, as observed for the deposits of the sub-unit A3 (Fig. 2.16B). This transgression covered the clinothems of A2 and triggered a gradual shoreline migration landwards (e.g. Helland-Hansen and Gjelberg, 1994), with consecutive and diachronous ravinement surfaces (thick, coarse, dashed black lines in Fig. 2.15). In coastal settings, such as in Camaná Formation, the preservation of shoreface sediments depends on the gradient, and a combination of various factors, including landward wave ravinement and seaward slope instability (e.g. Catuneanu, 2002; Catuneanu et al., 2011). For instance, steeper topographic gradients, as seen in the Puente Camaná outcrops (~12°-15°, Fig. 2.10C) tend to induce coastal erosion.

Typically, a *TST* develops primarily in shallow marine areas adjacent to the shoreline while correlative condensed sections are developed farther offshore (Galloway, 1989). The shallow-water deposition of A3 during this *TST* occurs along the large valleys (e.g. Ocoña, Camaná, Quilca valleys, and likely as well at Punta del Bombón), where wave processes at the upper shoreface interact with the deltaic influx (FA S2). Basinward, its correlative sections show onlapping deposition of fine-grained sediments in the offshore-transition to offshore zones (cc in Fig. 2.14), e.g. at Pucchun and Cerro Bodeguillas.

Some coarse-grained fluvio-deltaic deposition (FA G1) occurs during this *TST* (Fig. 2.16C), as pointed out at La Mina (Figs. 2.7B and 2.8B), involving a subordinate seaward migration of the shoreline that, however, occurs only locally. The presence of FA G1 within beds of the sub-unit A3

most likely implies a significant influence of tectonic forces during development of the *TST*. Despite this local progradation, the superordinate relative sea-level rise continues up-section with onlapping marine deposition, forming finally aggradational or even retrogradational geometries that are interpreted as the final stage of the transgression (Fig. 2.16D), and the termination of landward shoreline migration. The boundary between A3 and the overlying CamB is thus interpreted as a maximum flooding surface (*mfs*).

This *TST* coincides with a regional sea-level rise recorded in northern Chile (Miocene Caleta Herradura Formation, Di Celma and Cantalamessa, 2007) and northern Pisco Basin (Miocene Pisco Formation, Calderón, 2007), as well as a climatic optimum during Middle Miocene (Zachos et al., 2001; Le Roux, 2012), and a general sea-level rise in the early Middle Miocene (Langhian, Haq et al., 1987; Hardenbol et al., 1998). However, the conglomerate intercalation in sub-unit A3 contrasts with a typical transgressive deposition (e.g. Mitchum et al., 1993). Although transcurrent tectonics in the southern Peruvian forearc has been active during Cenozoic (e.g. Macharé et al., 1986; Roperch et al., 2006) its role during deposition of A3 of CamA was subordinate in creating or destroying accommodation space, due to the consistent scenario of global and regional sea level rise.

2.5.3. ~Late Miocene to ? Pliocene stage (CamB): regressive systems tract

The subsequent deposition of CamB, which is interpreted as prograding fluvial input with distal terminations at the interface with shallow marine environments, has occurred during the final stage of a relative sea-level rise where sediment input already outpaces the accommodation space (i.e. *highstand systems tract*) or during sea-level fall (i.e. *falling stage systems tract*) (e.g. Galloway, 1989) (Fig. 2.16E). This stage partly differs from the global sea-level fall during Late Miocene (e.g. Haq et al., 1987; Hardenbol et al., 1998). Thus, tectonics are expected to exert strong influence due to (i) the overall very coarse-grained nature of the CamB deposits, (ii) its coincidence with similar deposits of the internal forearc Moquegua Basin (MoqD; Decou et al., 2011), and (iii) the drastic uplift pulses recorded in the forearc during Late Miocene (e.g. Thouret et al., 2007; Schildgen et al., 2007) (see Section 2.6.2).

2.6. Discussion

2.6.1. Age of deposition

2.6.1.1. Age of sub-unit A1

Sempere et al. (2004) suggested either Late Oligocene or Late Eocene to Early Oligocene ages for the lowermost Camaná "A" deposits (sub-unit A1 in our nomenclature). The possibility of Eocene age for some basal Camaná beds was discussed because of the lack of volcanic material, which allows for correlation with non-volcanic Late Eocene to Early Oligocene MoqB beds in the Moquegua Basin (Sempere et al., 2004). In section La Mina, Apolín (2001) and Vega and Marocco (2004) collected and identified fossil shark teeth which suggest a Late Oligocene age (~23-28 Ma) for beds that we consider as sandstones of FA S3 (FT Sm) of the sub-unit A1 (Fig. 2.7A). Preliminary petrographic data of this facies type has revealed abundant grains of feldspar, brown and colorless titanite, epidote, pyroxene, and rare amphibole (see Section 2.3.4.1). Such an association reveals similarities to the Upper Oligocene to lower Miocene MoqC beds in the Moquegua Basin (Decou et al., 2011) (see Section 6.4). We thus tentatively place the deposits of the sub-unit A1 in the Late Oligocene (Chattian).

2.6.1.2. Age of sub-unit A2

Clinothems of A2 are placed above A1 by means of an erosional unconformity (as seen in Figs. 2.4D and 2.4E). Thus, a hiatus is suggested between the sub-units A1 and A2 (Fig. 2.15), where A2 should be younger than late Oligocene. Around the Oligocene to Miocene boundary, intense volcanism in the Central Andes has commenced (Huaylillas volcanism, ~24 to 10 Ma, e.g. Mamani et

al., 2010b) and volcanic products occur in many sedimentary deposits of the southern Peruvian forearc (Tosdal et al., 1981; Noble et al., 1985; Quang et al., 2005; Decou et al., 2011), as in the Camaná Formation.

An age of 20.8 ± 0.06 Ma (biotite ^{40}Ar - ^{39}Ar) was obtained from an ash layer near to Quebrada La Chira (blue dotted lines in Fig. 2.13) by Sempere et al. (2004) and Roperch et al. (2006) in sediments that these authors consider as the base of CamB deposits. However, according to our depositional model, the volcanic ash covers the layers of A1 and represents the base of the sub-unit A2. Moreover, within one of the clinotherms of A2 at Quebrada Bandurria, Schildgen et al. (2009) obtained some zircons from reworked ash (FT Ss) which yielded a youngest age of 19.6 ± 0.46 Ma ([U-Th]/He) (Fig. 2.9A). Given the volcanic context, such ashes may be considered as a close approximation of the age of sedimentation. We therefore suggest an Early Miocene (Aquitania to early Burdigalian) age for the sub-unit A2. Giving the erosive nature of the progradation of A2, a hiatus between the sub-units A1 and A2 is most reasonable.

2.6.1.3. Age of sub-unit A3

The onlapping shoreface to offshore transition deposits of A3 are interfingered with fluvio-deltaic deposits, as described in Quebrada Bandurria (Fig. 2.9B) and La Mina (Figs. 2.7B and 2.8B), and basinward changes from FA S2 via FA S1 to FA F (Fig. 2.14). The micrites of FA F in Cerro Los Cerrillos (Fig. 2.7B) contain planktonic foraminifera which are assigned to biozones N8a and N8b (~17-15 Ma, Tsuchi et al., 1990; Ibaraki, 1992; Berggren et al., 1995), and are correlated with similar beds in Pucchun (Fig. 2.5F and Plate 2.1: M-Q). No radiometric ages are available from this sub-unit so far. Hence, we infer a late Early Miocene to early Middle Miocene (late Burdigalian to Langhian) age for the sub-unit A3.

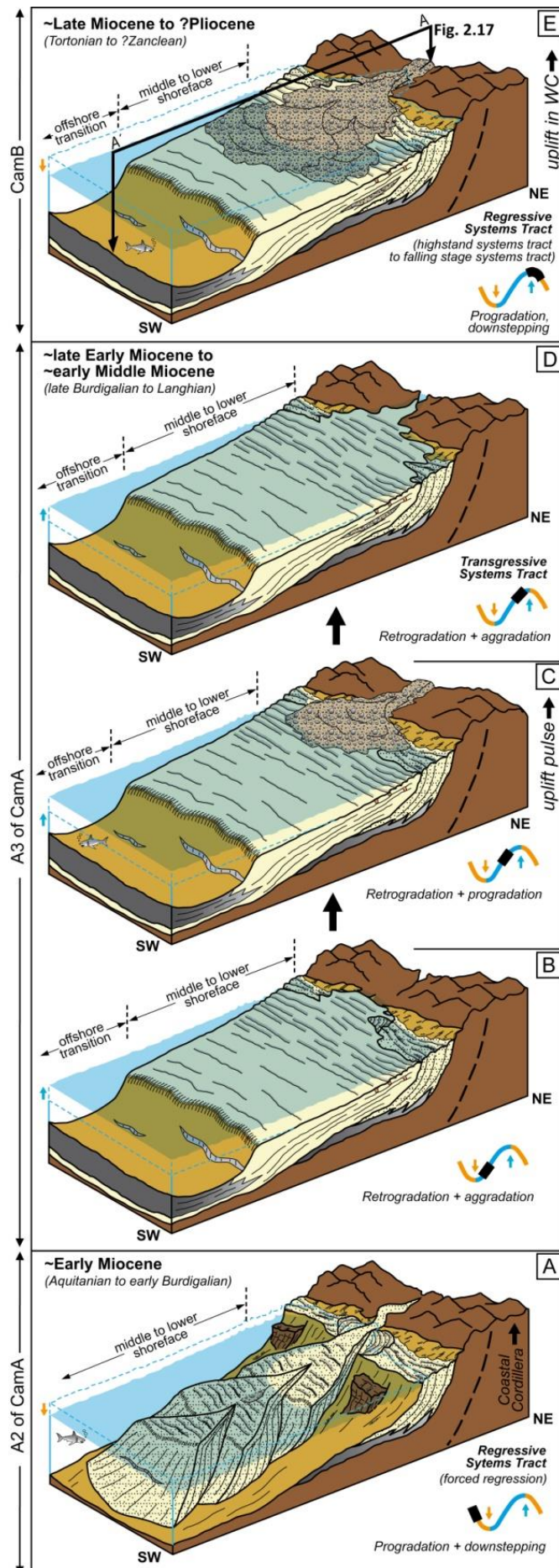
2.6.1.4. Age of CamB

Conglomerates of CamB (FA G2) are dominated by andesite and quartzarenite pebbles suggesting (i) the Western Cordillera as main source area, and (ii) a striking similarity with MoqD conglomerates from the Moquegua Basin that are assigned to ages of ~15-10 to 4 Ma (Sempere et al., 2004; Decou et al., 2011). A Late Miocene age is inferred by significant uplift of the Western Cordillera that started by ~10 Ma ago (Tortonian) and may have triggered coarse clastic sediment input towards the forearc (Thouret et al., 2007; Schildgen et al., 2007) (see Section 2.6.2). Conglomerates of CamB unit follow above fluvial conglomerates of FA G1 and shallow marine sandstones (both of the sub-unit A3) by means of an unconformity (*mfs*, Figs. 2.12, 2.14 and 2.15). Hence, beds with FA G2 of CamB deposits are younger than the deposits of the sub-unit A3, and we tentatively infer a Late Miocene age for CamB deposition. Given the prograding and erosive nature of the gravelly deposition of CamB, a hiatus is suggested between CamB and the sub-unit A3.

2.6.2. Tectonic controls on deposition

The overall coarse-grained nature of the Camaná deposits calls for high gradients given the short distance between source and sink (Postma, 1995). This relationship suggests a limited accommodation space with a short width of the coastal plain, which is likely to produce typical prograding architectures (McPherson et al., 1987; Bouma, 2000).

Regardless of global sea-level variations, coarse-grained deltas in tectonically active regions typically develop high gradients and feeder channels basinward (McPherson et al., 1987; Gawthorpe and Colella, 1990; Gawthorpe et al., 1994). In the Central Andes, Cenozoic shortening has a magnitude of ~250-275 km in the widest part of the Andean orogen, leading to (among other causes) significant uplift and crustal thickening (Kley and Monaldi, 1998; Oncken et al., 2006).



These processes have caused complex interactions of large tectonic domains (Jordan et al., 1983; Sempere and Jacay, 2006) and rotations in the southern Peruvian forearc (Roperch et al., 2006), including the transcurrent motions on the fault-bounded Camaná Basin (Jacay et al., 2002; Sempere and Jacay, 2006; Roperch et al., 2006). Even in such tectonically active regions, where global eustasy cannot be considered as the dominant control on accommodation space, sequence stratigraphic approaches have proven to be useful (e.g. Williams, 1993). In the outer forearc, subsidence along the basin-bounding faults systems as well as uplift in the Coastal and Western Cordilleras is expected to strongly influence on deposition of the Camaná Formation.

Uplift in the Coastal Cordillera during the deposition of the sub-unit A2 (Early Miocene) along with high sediment input control its prograding geometry (Fig. 2.16). Therefore, the *regressive systems tract* inferred for this unit contrasts with the global Early Miocene transgression (Haq et al., 1987; Hardenbol et al., 1998).

The amount of exhumation and uplift of the Coastal Cordillera at this time was clearly below the resolution of apatite fission track (AFT) thermochronology (i.e. <60°C translating into <1500-2000 m of exhumation) because AFT data of the area reveal exclusively Late Cretaceous ages (Wipf, 2006). The onlapping deposition of the sub-unit A3 (late Early Miocene to early Middle Miocene) is consistent with the final stage of a global transgression during Early and Middle Miocene (Hardenbol et al., 1998). Despite local intercalations of fluvio-deltaic conglomerates, deposition of sub-unit A3 largely follows the global eustatic trend and is thus considered to reflect only minor tectonic activity.

In contrast, the onset of fluvial deposition of CamB in Camana Basin and MoqD in Moquegua Basin (Late Miocene to ?early Pliocene) is consistent with the onset of rapid uplift at about 12-0 Ma that affected the hinterland of the southern Peruvian and northern Chilean forearc (Western Cordillera and Pacific Piedmont).

This is reflected in the onset of valley incision along the forearc and the Western Cordillera, constrained by AFT and apatite (U-Th)/He thermochronology (Wipf, 2006), zircon (U-Th)/He ages (Schildgen et al., 2007), and ^{40}Ar - ^{39}Ar feldspar ages (Wörner et al., 2000; Thouret et al., 2007). Late Miocene uplift of the Western Cordillera may be in the range of 2500-3000 m (Garzione et al., 2008). Hence, deposition of CamB is considered as response to rapid uplift pulses in the forearc and Western Cordillera, and uplift is expected to exert much more control than a contemporaneous eustatic sea-level fall.

This scenario supports the prolonged deposition of fluvial conglomerates of the Late Miocene MoqD and CamB deposits, which are accompanied by the wide-spread Lower Barroso volcanism (Mamani et al., 2010b).

2.6.3. About climate influence in the Camaná Basin

Coarse-grained deltas are formed generally in fault-bounded settings with high gradients and shallow-marine or lacustrine depositional environments (McPherson et al., 1987; Postma, 1990), reaching up to several hundred meters in thickness (Gawthorpe and Colella, 1990). Typically, progradation takes place because sediment supply is continuous and occurs at high rates (Postma, 1990). However, coarse-grained deltas may also be controlled by climatic variations involving wet/dry climatic shifts that are either locally or globally driven. Dry climate periods tend to be associated with ephemeral deltaic growth, whilst during wet periods, relatively low but constant sediment input occurs (e.g. Postma, 2001).

The establishing of a dry and arid climate in central South America is based on the widely accepted opening of the Drake Passage (between South America and Antarctica) since ~41 Ma (Staudigel et al., 1985; Scher and Martin, 2006). One of the consequences of this opening is the cooling of the sea off South America due to the South-North Humboldt Current leading to drying of the climate (Zachos et al., 2001; Hartley, 2003). Isotopic evidences of such climate in the Central Andes suggest that dry conditions dominated the region at least since ~20 Ma (Early Miocene), with short-lived phases of increased run-off (Gregory-Wodzicki, 2000; Hartley, 2003; Hartley and Evenstar, 2010). We assume that during such generally dry climate, some moisture supply has supported alluvial to fluvial coarse-grained sedimentation as observed in MoqC (e.g. Decou et al., 2011) and CamA units. Such increases of precipitation and overall moisture are also reflected in the deposition of alluvial fans (e.g. Kiefer et al., 1997; Gaupp et al., 1999; Wörner et al., 2002; Hartley, 2003), and the onset of the incision of huge valleys dated at ~9 Ma (Thouret et al., 2002; Schildgen et al., 2009). Nonetheless, the widely accepted uplift along the Western slope of the Central Andes that started around 40 Ma and accelerated during Late Miocene (Hartley and Evenstar, 2010; Decou et al., 2013) exerted the dominant control on the protracted and increasingly coarse-grained sedimentation in the southern Peruvian forearc (i.e. Moquegua Basin) up to the Pacific Ocean (i.e. Camaná Basin).

Fig. 2.16. (previous page) Depositional model for the Camaná Formation. Ages suggested are tentatively established. A1 is not represented in this figure. In A: A2 is represented by progradational deposition of deltas. A2 is deposited during a regressive systems tract (falling stage systems tract). In B: A3 consists of retrogradational deltas deposited during a transgressive systems tract. In C: Coeval with the transgression, some fluvial deposition occurs. In D: However, relative sea-level rise continues until the completion of A3 deposition. In E: CamB deposition corresponds to a prograding fluvial input, interpreted as a final stage of transgressive systems tract or a falling stage systems tract. Yellow and blue lines represent base-level curve. WC= Western Cordillera.

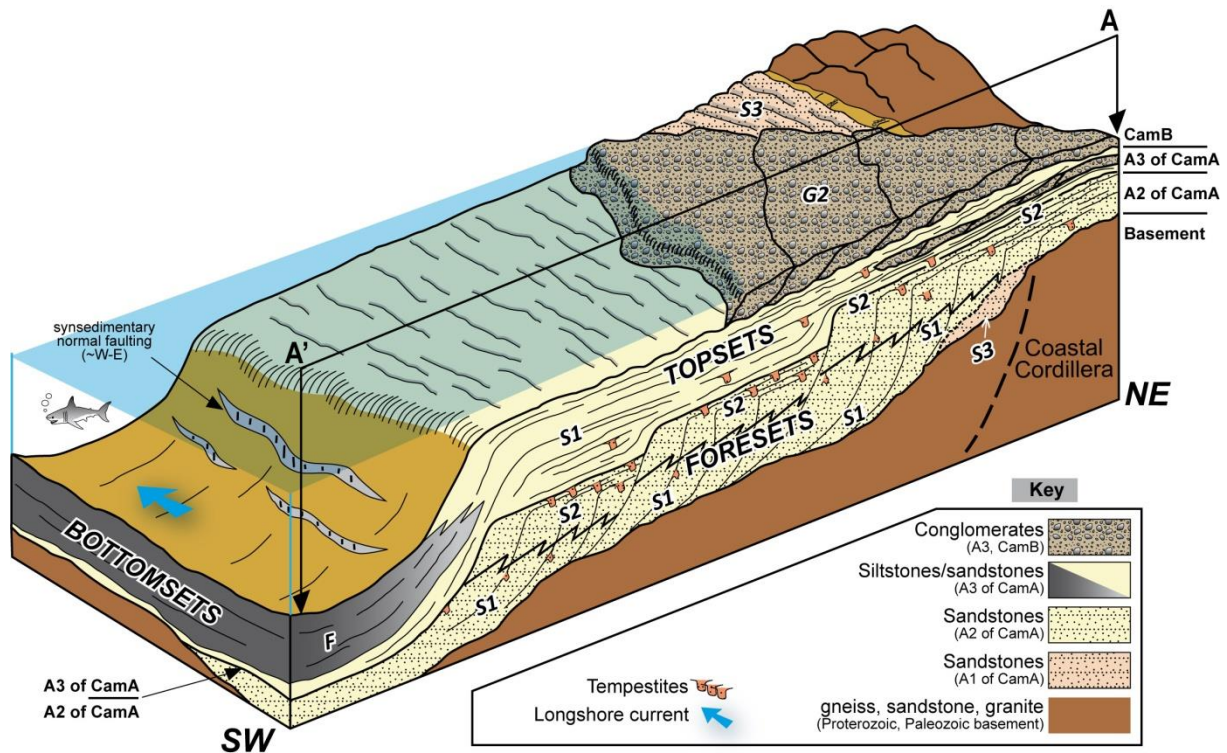


Fig. 2.17. Schematic representation of the Camaná Formation anatomy. A'-A section from Figs. 2.1C and 2.16D. This sedimentary model shows the main depositional units of the Camaná Formation in Camaná and its three main geometrical components (topsets, foresets, and bottomsets).

2.6.4. Relations between internal and external forearc (Moquegua Basin vs. Camaná Basin)

At least two Cenozoic basins in southern Peru are related to the Camaná Basin (Fig. 2.1A), one in a similar external forearc position (Pisco), and one in a more internal position (Moquegua). An overview of the Moquegua Basin is presented to highlight the most prominent features in common. The Cenozoic Moquegua Basin constitutes a ~NW-SE elongated depression in the internal forearc (Fig. 2.1C) filled with continental sediments of the Moquegua Group (e.g. Wilson and García, 1962; Bellido, 1979; Marocco, 1984, 1985; Macharé et al., 1986). It is separated from the Camaná Basin by uplifted basement rocks of the Coastal Cordillera (Macharé et al., 1986). Marocco (1985) proposed a subdivision for the Moquegua Group into two units: (i) the Lower Moquegua Formation, referring to reddish lacustrine and evaporite facies, and (ii) Upper Moquegua Formation, referring to a mixture of depositional settings (fluvial, alluvial, and partly lacustrine). The Moquegua Group was further subdivided into four members (MoqA, MoqB, MoqC, and MoqD) on the basis of major unconformities and radiometric dating (Sempere et al., 2004; Roperch et al., 2006). Decou et al. (2011) presented a refined chronostratigraphic framework and suggested that MoqA was deposited between ~50 and ~40 Ma, MoqB between ~40 and ~30 Ma, MoqC between ~30 and ~15/10 Ma, and finally MoqD between ~15/10 and ~4 Ma. In northern Chile, sediments of the MoqC and MoqD units have their stratigraphic equivalents in the Azapa and Diablo Formations (Wörner et al., 2000).

The first attempt in relating the Moquegua and Camaná Basins is referred to an assumed marine ingressión which occurred as far inland as Cuno-Cuno (Fig. 2.1C), and presumably occurred between ~30 and ~25 Ma (Marocco et al., 1985; Macharé et al., 1986; Sempere et al., 2004; Cruzado and Rojas, 2005). If this age is correct, the marine ingressión would be coeval to the deposits of sub-unit A1 and MoqC1. Decou et al. (2011) further sub-divided the MoqC deposits into MoqC1 (~30 to ~25 Ma) and MoqC2, where MoqC2 comprises abundant volcanic material and suggested to have started at ~25 Ma, related to the major ignimbrite deposition of the region (Huayllillas Formation, ~24-10 Ma, e.g. Wilson and García, 1962; Tosdal et al., 1981; Mamani et al., 2010b). Thus, the MoqC2

deposition should be coeval with the sub-units A2 and A3 of the Camaná Formation. However, it still lacks sedimentological, petrographical, and (chrono)stratigraphical evidences to convincingly support such an interbasinal correlation.

The fluvial conglomerates of the MoqD unit of the Moquegua Group (Decou et al., 2011) and the conglomeratic fluvial facies of the CamB unit (FA G2) show striking similarities in both pebble population and facies. Hence, we suggest a common provenance in the Western Cordillera and a roughly similar age that most likely corresponds to the Late Miocene phase of uplift in the hinterland (e.g. Schildgen et al., 2007).

2.7. Conclusions

Documentation, characterization, and interpretation of the facies and depositional architecture of the Camaná Formation provides understanding of the interplay between relative sea-level fluctuations, subsidence, and sediment supply to the Camaná Basin. The main conclusions can be summarized as follows:

- a) The Camaná Formation forms the sedimentary filling of the Camaná Basin and reflects the concepts of footwall derived coarse-grained deltas in shallow marine settings. The Camaná Formation is divided into two major depositional units, CamA and CamB (Fig. 2.15). CamA is further sub-divided in the sub-units A1, A2, and A3. Sub-unit A1 consists of mouth bar deposits and distributary channels. A2 consists of delta front deposits arranged in progradational downstepping clinothems. A3 consists of delta front to prodelta deposits arranged in retrogradational onlapping deposits, locally interbedded with fluvio-deltaic deposits in proximal settings. The CamB unit consists of fluvial conglomerates. Erosional surfaces mark the boundaries between each depositional unit and sub-unit of the Camaná Formation, highlighting the possible existence of significant hiatuses.
- b) In terms of sequence stratigraphy, A1 cannot be attributed to a specific systems tract because of its limited exposures; however, it shares some facies characteristics with A2. A1 is bounded at the base by a basal unconformity and on top by the basal surface of a forced regression. Deposition of A2 shows a pronounced progradational stacking pattern where sediment input strongly exceeded accommodation space, and indicates a *regressive systems tract* (~Early Miocene; Fig. 2.16A). This regression may even have been a forced (falling stage systems tract), caused by a relative sea-level fall. A2 is bounded at the base by a basal surface of (probably forced) regression, and on top by a maximum regressive surface. During deposition of A3, the relative sea-level rise outpaced sedimentation rates, resulting in an onlapping deposition considered as a transgressive systems tract (~late Early Miocene to early Middle Miocene, Figs. 2.16B to 2.16D). A3 is bounded on top by a maximum flooding surface. CamB conglomerates are interpreted as progradational deposits formed during a regression (*highstand* or *falling stage systems tract*) in the Late Miocene to ?Early Pliocene (Fig. 2.16E).
- c) Haq et al. (1987) and Mitchum and van Wagoner (1991) described a regressive cycle during the Late Oligocene (comparable to A1 of CamA) and a transgressive cycle during the Early Miocene. The latter strongly contrasts with the regressive character of A2 of CamA (~Early Miocene). Hence, a strong tectonic pulse, most likely uplift of the Coastal Cordillera, is deduced that outpaces the global sea-level rise (Fig. 2.16A). The transgressive deposition of A3 occurred during the ~late Early Miocene to ~early Middle Miocene, which is largely consistent with the general eustatic trend. A minor uplift, however, may be inferred for this period, which is reflected in the locally intercalated conglomerates of A3 (FA G1) (Fig. 2.16C). The conglomeratic fluvial deposits of CamB (Fig. 2.16E) reflect rapid uplift of the hinterland (Western Cordillera and/or Pacific Piedmont) starting around 12-9 Ma, and the tectonic forces have exerted much more influence than either eustatic or climatic factors.
- d) In terms of lithological comparisons and chronology, conglomerates of the sub-unit A3 and CamB unit (Figs. 2.16C and 2.16E) reflect either direct provenance from the Western Cordillera

similar to the contemporaneous fluvial conglomerates in the Moquegua Basin (MoqD), or recycling of Moquegua Basin deposits. Further detailed provenance analysis is necessary to constrain the relations between the Moquegua and Camaná Basins. This study provides a baseline for future correlations of the Cenozoic sedimentation at the western flank of the Western Cordillera to the Pacific in order to establish a comprehensive chronostratigraphic framework for the tectono-sedimentary evolution of the southern Peruvian forearc.

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Chapter 3:

Zircon U-Pb geochronology and heavy mineral composition of the Camaná Formation, southern Peru: constraints on sediment provenance and uplift of the Coastal and Western Cordilleras

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Abstract

In the forearc of the Central Andes of southern Peru, the Cenozoic Camaná Basin (16°25'S to 17°15'S) forms a ~NW-SE elongated depression filled with coarse-grained deltaic and fluvial deposits. These deposits are termed Camaná Formation. We have applied for the first time, advanced multi-method analytical techniques to sediments of the Camaná Formation in order to define precise sedimentation ages, unravel sediment provenance, and to explain its tectono-sedimentary evolution.

Zircon U-Pb geochronology and multiple geological evidences suggest that the Camaná Formation ranges in age from Late Oligocene to Late Miocene, and may even extend into the Pliocene. We propose a provenance model for the Camaná Formation based on U-Pb geochronology, heavy mineral analysis, and single-grain mineral chemistry by LA-ICP-MS. This model suggests that sediments of the lower part of the Camaná Formation derive from rocks forming the Coastal Cordillera (i.e. the Arequipa Massif and the San Nicolas Batholith) and the widespread ignimbrites of the ~24-10 Ma Huaylillas volcanic arc. In contrast, sediments of the upper part of the Camaná Formation derive predominantly derived from rocks forming the Western Cordillera (i.e. the Arequipa Massif, the Tacaza Group, and the Coastal Batholith) and products of the ~10-3 Ma Lower Barroso volcanic arc. Accordingly, we infer that uplift of the Coastal Cordillera has strongly influenced deposition of the Camaná Formation since Late Oligocene. A marked shift in provenance within the Camaná Formation at around Middle to Late Miocene time (14 to 12 Ma) suggests drastic uplift of the Western Cordillera at that time. This uplift has triggered increased relief and erosion in the Western Cordillera, and subsequent deposition of fluvial conglomerates in the Camaná Basin.

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3.1. Introduction

This manuscript focuses on the derivation of a chronostratigraphically well-defined provenance model for the Cenozoic Camaná Formation that explains consistently the interplay of tectonics and sedimentation in this segment of the southern Peruvian forearc (Fig. 1). Our study relies on shallow-marine coarse-grained deltaic and fluvial deposits. Such deposits mark the interface between terrestrial and marine environments and are generally considered to intimately reflect uplift and erosion of the basin borders and/or the hinterland (e.g. Colella, 1988; Gawthorpe et al., 1990; Schlunegger et al., 1997; Gawthorpe and Colella, 1990). In the Camaná Basin, such deposits have already been analyzed in terms of sedimentary facies, stratigraphic architecture, and sequence stratigraphy (Alvan and von Eynatten, 2014).

Sedimentary provenance analysis refers to the reconstruction of source area geology, the type of source rocks exposed, and the processes that modify the sediment on their way from source to sink (Weltje and von Eynatten, 2004). The compositional characteristics of a sedimentary basin fill are commonly controlled by the lithology of the respective source rock, weathering, erosion, sediment transport processes, and the nature of sedimentary processes within the basin. In many provenance studies, emphasis is placed on high-density accessory minerals (i.e. heavy minerals) because they are sensitive recorders of provenance change (e.g. Mange and Maurer, 1992; Morton and Hallsworth, 1999). In tectonically active settings, changes in heavy mineral composition are typically associated with tectonic processes, as demonstrated in various case studies (e.g. Pinto et al., 2007; von Eynatten et al., 2008; Decou et al., 2011; Moreno et al., 2011). The analysis of heavy minerals is considerably enhanced by individual single-grain analytical methods to extract precise petrogenetic and chronological information (von Eynatten and Dunkl, 2012). In this study, we are heading to combine new information on sedimentary provenance and chronostratigraphy of the Camaná Formation with a previously published sedimentological-stratigraphical model (Alvan and von Eynatten, 2014).

To constrain the timing of uplift of the hinterland of Camaná Basin (i.e. Coastal Cordillera and Western Cordillera), it is needed to precise the sedimentation ages of the Camaná Formation. U-Pb dating of detrital zircons by laser ablation ICP-MS has become an important tool in provenance analysis and stratigraphic dating (e.g. Jackson et al., 1992; Kosler et al., 2002; Kosler and Sylvester, 2007), and here it is applied for the both purposes. In case of coarse-grained deposits with poor fossil content, precise U-Pb ages of volcanic zircons from ashes or reworked ashes are the best candidates to identify depositional ages or maximum depositional ages of a given siliciclastic deposit when using the youngest age component of the age spectrum (e.g. Bowring and Schmitz, 2003; von Eynatten and Dunkl, 2012). U-Pb zircon ages usually express magmatic crystallization and are less sensitive to post emplacement lower temperature metamorphic processes (Cherniak and Watson, 2000). Accordingly, we expect to obtain the crystallization age of plutonic and metamorphic rocks in southern Peru. The older age components of the detrital zircon age spectra provide additional constraints on the provenance of the Camaná Formation.

For the first time, mineral chemistry of titanite is used for provenance discrimination because of its relative abundance and variable colors and composition observed in Camaná Formation. Titanite is a common accessory mineral in igneous (i.e. syenites, diorites, and granites) and metamorphic rocks that are rich in calcium and ferromagnesian minerals (Deer et al., 1982; Franz and Spear, 1985; Frost et al., 2000). Titanite is like zircon suitable for U-Pb geochronology because of its relative high Th and U contents, and its high closure temperature for Pb diffusion (650°C-700°C, Cherniak, 1993; Scott and St. Onge, 1995; Frost et al., 2000; Sun et al., 2012). It tends to concentrate wide spectra of trace elements, which are well-suited for discrimination of titanite from different source rocks (e.g. Frost et al., 2001; Aleinikoff et al., 2002; Sun et al., 2012). Titanite is expected to keep its original crystal chemical composition from the source rock due to its relative resistance to chemical weathering (Morton, 1991; Mange and Maurer, 1992).

3.2. Geologic setting of the southern Peruvian forearc

Since ca. Late Jurassic, convergence and variations in obliquity and subduction rate of the Nazca plate beneath the South American continent have triggered shortening of the Central Andes (Pitcher et al., 1985; Isacks, 1988; Sobolev and Babeyko, 2005; Oncken et al., 2006; Wipf, 2006). During Cenozoic two major geodynamic phases have been described in Central Andes (Isacks, 1988; Allmendinger et al., 1997; Mahlburg-Kay et al., 1999; Oncken et al., 2006). At ~40 or ~35 Ma strong decrease of convergence rate, fragmentation of the slab, and initiation of flat subduction caused strong interplate coupling, crustal shortening, uplift, and decrease in volcanic activity (Somoza, 1998; Gilder et al., 2003; Oncken et al., 2006; Mamani et al., 2010; Martinod et al., 2010; Decou et al. 2013). This phase lasted until ~25 Ma, when the slab became steep again and voluminous magmatism has restarted (Huaylillas volcanic arc, Mamani et al., 2010, see Section 3.2.1). A second geodynamic phase is recognized at ~12 or ~10 Ma, which is related to the onset of a second major episode of uplift in southern Peru and Bolivia (Schildgen et al., 2007; Thouret et al., 2007; Garzzone et al., 2008). This episode is related to several important changes in e.g. convergence style, crustal processes and volcanism, and is thought to have triggered major onset of valley incision (see Section 3.5.5).

Further evidence on deformation is documented in numerous fault systems in southern Peru (e.g. Jordan et al., 1983; Jacay et al., 2002; Carlotto et al., 2009). These faults systems include the Cincha-LLuta-Incapuquio Faults System (CLLIFS) and the Ica-Islay-Ilo Faults System (IIIFS) (Vargas, 1970; Vicente, 1989; Jacay et al., 2002; Carlotto et al., 2009; Acosta et al., 2010a) (Fig. 3.1C). These faults follow the general ~NW-SE-striking alignment of Proterozoic, Paleozoic, and Mesozoic rocks (Palacios and Chacón, 1989; Palacios et al., 1995) forming the main geomorphologic domains of western southern Peru i.e. Western Cordillera and Coastal Cordillera (Pecho and Morales, 1969; Jacay et al., 2002) (Fig. 3.1B).

3.2.1. Basement and Paleozoic to Mesozoic strata of Western and Coastal Cordilleras

Along the Western Cordillera and the Coastal Cordillera, metamorphic, igneous, and sedimentary rocks are exposed (Bellido and Narváez, 1960; Pecho and Morales, 1969; Cobbing et al., 1977). Metamorphic rocks consist of migmatites, amphibolites, and epidote-bearing gneisses known as the Arequipa Massif (García, 1968; Pecho and Morales, 1969; Cobbing and Pitcher, 1972; Shackleton et al., 1979; Lowey et al., 2004; Chew et al., 2008). The Arequipa Massif is Proterozoic in age (Cobbing et al., 1977) and both the Western Cordillera and the Coastal Cordillera comprises rocks of this lithological unit (Fig. 3.1C). Abundant garnet-rich granulites, sillimanite-bearing gneisses, and high-Al migmatites (Shackleton et al., 1979; Martignole and Martelat, 2003) characterize the Arequipa Massif in the Coastal Cordillera. Igneous rocks of the Ordovician-Silurian San Nicolas Batholith crops out solely in the Coastal Cordillera along the IIIFS (Cobbing et al., 1977; Acosta et al., 2010b, 2010c).

In the Coastal Cordillera, remnants of Carboniferous marine siltstones of the Carboniferous Ambo Group (Acosta et al., 2010b) and Triassic quartzarenites and conglomerates of the Mitu Group (Pecho and Morales, 1969) crop out NW of Camaná (Fig. 3.1C). Sandstones and limestones of the Jurassic Yura Group crops out from the western flank of the Western Cordillera to the Altiplano (Jenks and Harris, 1953; Benavides, 1962; Vargas, 1970).

3.2.2. Magmatism

Magmatism in southern Peru and northern Chile occurred in different stages. During Ordovician to Silurian, the San Nicolas Batholith has intruded the Arequipa Massif between Camaná and Atico, emplacing calc-alkaline red granites and syenogranites (Bellido, 1969; Cobbing and Pitcher, 1972; Cobbing et al., 1977; Mukasa and Henry, 1990; Lowey et al., 2004; Mamani et al., 2012). Between Early Jurassic and Paleocene, episodic magmatism occurred along the Western Cordillera (Tosdal et al., 1981; Mukasa, 1986; Boily et al., 1989). Cobbing et al. (1977) grouped these occurrences and summarized them as Coastal Batholith.

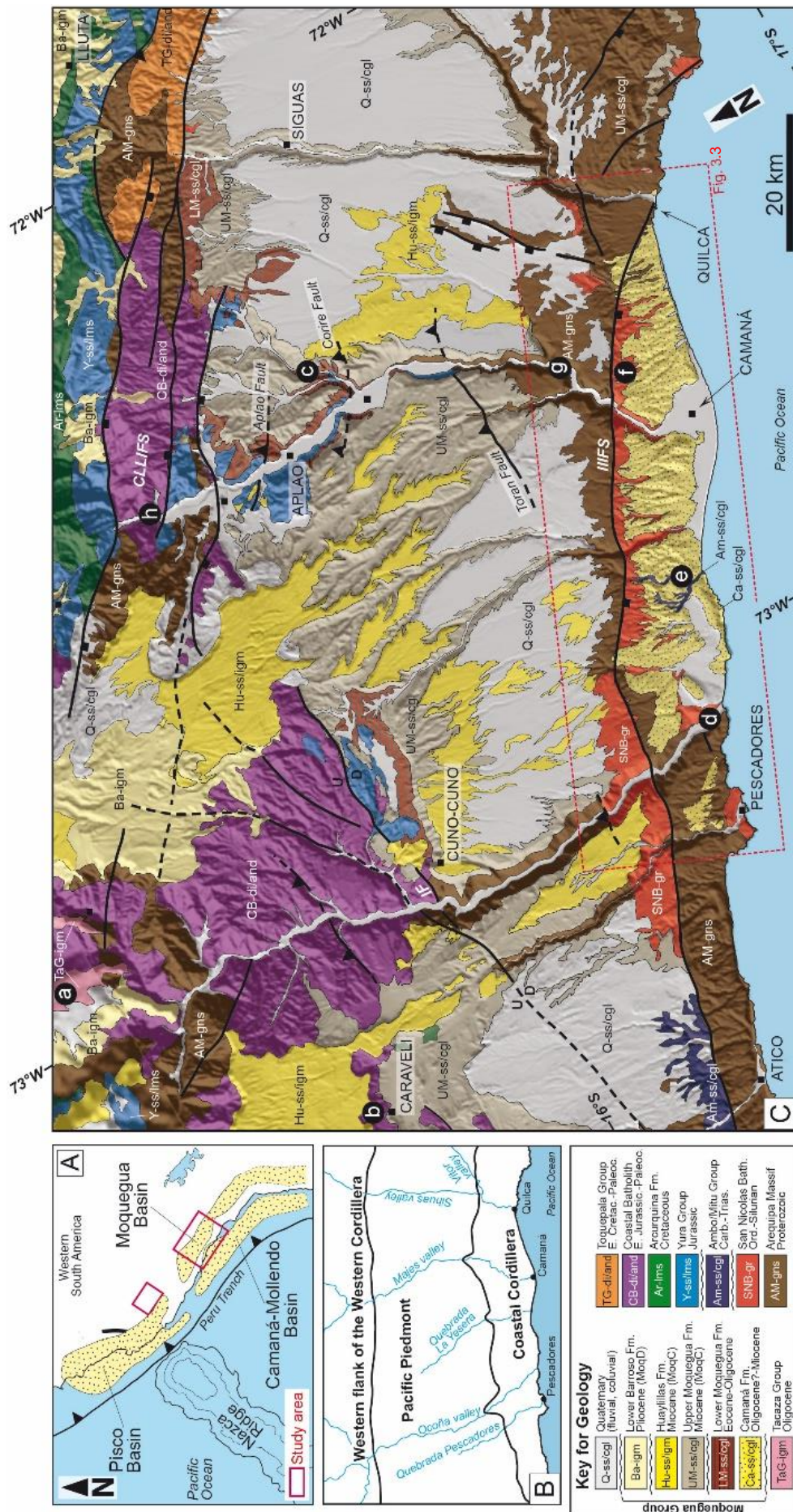


Fig. 3.1. Geology of the coastal region of Arequipa, southern Peru. A: Spatial relations among Pisco, Camaná, and Moquegua Basins. Red box shows the study area. B: Map showing the three main geomorphologic domains within the area and main valleys across. C: Simplified regional geology of the southwest area of Arequipa (after Vicente, 1989; Schildgen et al., 2009; Acosta et al., 2010a, 2010b, 2010c). Main faults are shown in continuous black lines and inferred in dashed black lines. The Cenozoic Moquegua and Camaná Basins are separated by the Coastal Cordillera. Abbreviations: IF = Ica-Ilo-Islay Faults System, IIIFS = Cincha-LLuta-Incapuquio Faults System. White letters a-h on black circles indicate sampling sites of potential source rocks.

They consist of distinct suites of calc-alkaline and subalkaline "I" type plutons and volcanic rocks (Mamani et al., 2010). The latest emplacement occurred at ~75 to ~55 Ma (Toquepala Group, Cobbing and Pitcher, 1979; Mukasa, 1986; Mamani et al., 2012). It consists of a wide range of voluminous subalkaline intrusions characterized by K-rich igneous rocks such as diorites, granodiorites, basalts to andesites, and rhyolites (Martínez and Cervantes, 2003; Mamani et al., 2010).

According to Mamani et al. (2010a) magmatism restarted around ~30-3 Ma when the slab became steeper again. These authors suggested grouping Cenozoic magmatism according to chemistry and chronology into the ~30-24 Ma Tacaza arc (or Tacaza Group by Wilson and García, 1962), the ~24-10 Ma Huaylillas arc (or Huaylillas Formation by Wilson and García, 1962), and the ~10-3 Ma Lower Barroso volcanic arcs. Cenozoic volcanism was active during sedimentation in the forearc (Marocco and Noblet, 1990; Decou et al., 2011). At present day, the magmatic arc is located in the Western Cordillera and the Altiplano of southern Peru and northern Chile (Mamani et al., 2010a).

3.2.3. Cenozoic sedimentary basins

The Moquegua Basin is located along the internal forearc of southern Peru (or Pacific Piedmont, between the Western Cordillera and the Coastal Cordillera (Fig. 3.1B) and extends further south into northern Chile (Azapa Formation, Salas et al., 1966; Wotzlaw et al., 2011). The Moquegua Group consists of alluvial, fluvial, and lacustrine deposits ranging from Eocene (~50 Ma) to Pliocene (~4 Ma) in age (Marocco et al., 1985; Sempere et al., 2004; Decou et al., 2011). They reflect provenance from the Western Cordillera and the Altiplano (Decou et al., 2013). We follow the sub-division of Sempere et al. (2004) with refinements of Decou et al. (2011), where the Moquegua Group consists of four units i.e. MoqA (~50-40 Ma), MoqB (~40-30 Ma), MoqC (~30-15/10 Ma), and MoqD (~15/10-4 Ma).

The MoqC and MoqD units are the only units that show evidence of intense volcanism derived from southern Peru and/or northern Chile (Mamani et al., 2010a; Decou et al., 2011). At the western flank of the Coastal Cordillera, the Camaná Basin (Fig. 3.1B) contains the Camaná Formation (Rivera, 1950; Rüegg, 1952; Pecho and Morales, 1969; PERUPETRO, 2003). It forms a ~NW-SE striking sedimentary deposit elongated along the coast between Pescadores (16°25'S) and Punta del Bombón (17°15'S) (Fig. 3.1C), and extends offshore to the outermost forearc (Macharé et al., 1986; PERUPETRO, 2003). According to Alván and von Eynatten (2014), the Camaná Formation is divided into two depositional units, CamA and CamB based on facies analysis. CamA unit consists of coarse-grained deltaic deposits and CamB consists of fluvial conglomerates. CamA is further sub-divided into sub-units A1, A2, and A3 (Alván and von Eynatten, 2014) (Fig. 3.2). Sub-unit A1 consists of mouth bars and distributary channels. Sub-unit A2 consists of progradational clinofans. Sub-unit A3 consists of delta front to prodelta deposits arranged in overlapping deposits and locally interbedded with fluvial conglomerates in proximal sites. The CamB unit consists of fluvial conglomerates with thin marine intercalations at its base. Previous literature and facies analysis permitted to present a preliminary chronostratigraphic framework (Alván and von Eynatten, 2014, and references therein) and suggested that the Camaná Formation is Late Oligocene to Late Miocene in age.

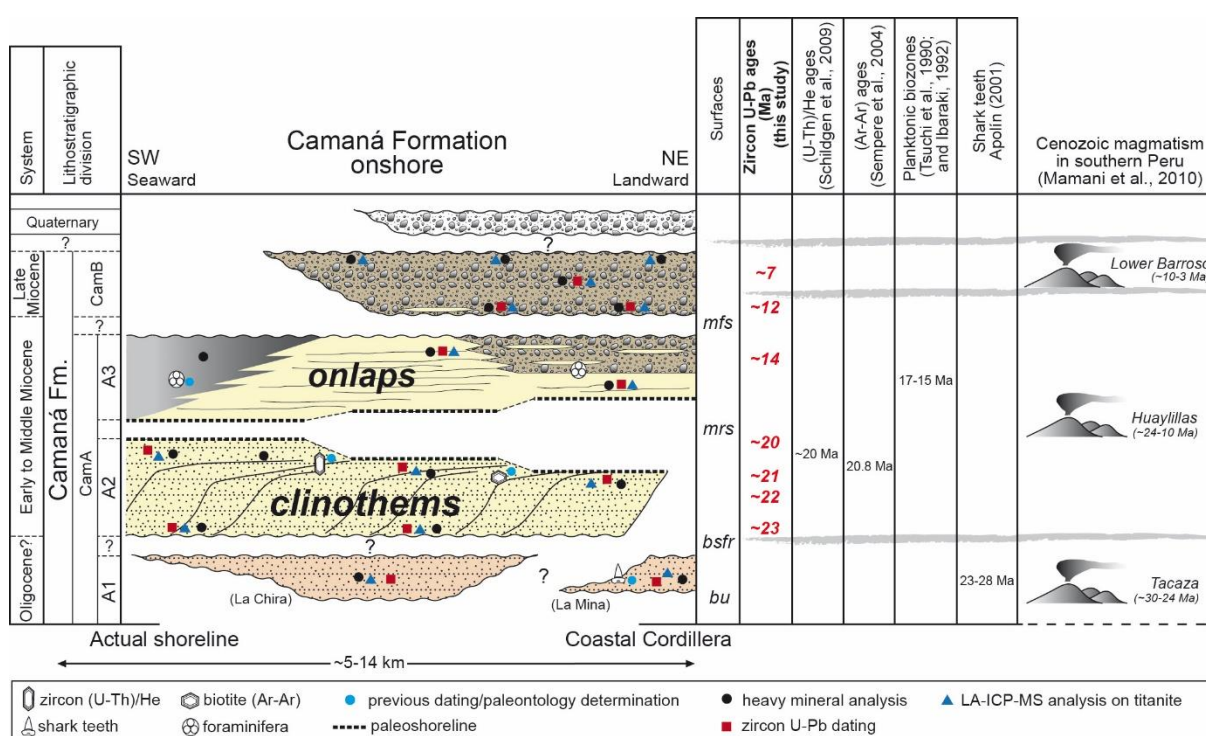


Fig. 3.2. Wheeler-type diagram for the Camaná Formation. The Camaná Formation is divided into CamA unit (sub-units A1, A2, and A3) and CamB unit (Alván and von Eynatten, 2014). New ages (red numbers) are obtained by U-Pb geochronology of zircon from reworked ash (see Table 3.1 and Fig. 3.4). Blue dots indicate position of previous dating. Black dots indicate sampling for heavy mineral analysis. Blue triangles indicate sampling for LA-ICP-MS analysis on titanites. Red boxes indicate sampling for U-Pb dating. Abbreviations: *bu* = basal unconformity, *bsfr* = basal surface of forced regression, *mrs* = maximum regressive surface, *mfs* = maximum flooding surface.

According to Alván and von Eynatten (2014), the sub-units A1 and A2 represent a *regressive systems tract*, and strongly contrasts to the Early to Middle Miocene global transgression of Haq et al. (1987). This suggests significant uplift of the Coastal Cordillera during deposition of A1 and A2. Deposition of sub-unit A3 occurred during a *transgressive systems tract* and it is consistent with the end of that global sea-level rise. This statement suggests that only minor tectonic influence occurred at this stage. Sedimentation of CamB occurred during a later regression (Late Miocene). Nonetheless, the study area is widely influenced by strong pulses of uplift in Late Miocene (i.e. in Western Cordillera and Altiplano) (cf. Oncken et al., 2006; Thouret et al., 2007; Garzzone et al., 2008; Schildgen et al., 2009).

3.3. Sampling and methods

We collected igneous and metamorphic rocks from potential source areas and sedimentary samples from the Camaná Formation. Potential source rocks were collected from eight sites along the Western Cordillera and the Coastal Cordillera (indicated by white letters on black circles in Fig. 3.1C). Some of these source rocks are represented by pebble population samples following the approach of Dunkl et al. (2009). Samples of the Camaná Formation (CamA unit: A1, A2, A3, and CamB unit) have been collected from nine sites (white numbers on black circles in Fig. 3.3B). In order to obtain provenance information, we performed (i) U-Pb geochronology of detrital zircons (17 samples) and detrital titanites (9 samples), (ii) heavy mineral analyses of parental (10 samples) and sedimentary rocks (21 samples), and (iii) single grain geochemical analyses on parental (4 samples) and detrital titanites (12 samples) by laser ablation ICP-MS technique. To obtain stratigraphic ages, we considered the youngest age components of the U-Pb geochronology.

Following the method of Hutton (1950) and Mange and Maurer (1992) the samples were crushed with a jaw-crusher and sieved. Two fractions are selected for our analysis, 63-250 μm and 63-125 μm , and the carbonate was dissolved in 5% acetic acid. For geochronology, the density separation was performed on the fraction 63-250 μm using sodium polytungstate ($\rho = 2.87 \text{ g/cm}^3$). The heavy mineral fractions were further separated using the Frantz magnetic separator at 0.5 to 1.0 A with 10° side tilt in order to enrich the zircon and titanite grains. Thereafter, individual grains of zircon and titanite were hand-picked under the microscope and mounted in epoxy resin, then grinded and diamond polished in five steps down to 1 μm . For the properly exposed zircon grains, we obtained cathodoluminescence images by using a JEOL JXA 8900 electron microprobe at the Geoscience Center of the Georg-August University, Göttingen. These images permitted studying the internal structure of the crystals and select homogeneous parts for the in-situ geochronology. The zircon U-Pb measurements were carried at the Institute of Geosciences, Frankfurt (Germany) using an excimer laser ablation system (Resonetics) coupled to an Element2 sector field ICP-MS (Kosler and Sylvester, 2007; Gehrels et al., 2008; Frei and Gerdes, 2009). Individual zircons were selected randomly from all sizes and shapes, but avoiding zircons with huge inclusions. In some samples, the numbers of usable grains were rather limited (see Section 3.4.1). Previous studies on sedimentary provenance have shown that a high number of single grains (>100) is necessary to ensure that even small ($\sim 5\%$) components (e.g., a detrital age spectrum) are not missed at 95% confidence level (Veermesch, 2004). However, such a large amount of zircons is difficult to obtain even from large samples ($>3 \text{ kg}$) of the Camaná Formation.

The age calculation is based on the drift- and fractionation correction by standard-sample bracketing using GJ-1 zircon reference material (Jackson et al., 2004). For further control, we analyzed the Plešovice zircon (Sláma et al., 2008) and the 91500 zircon (Wiedenbeck et al., 1995) as "secondary standards". The age results of the standards were consistently within 1σ of the published ID-TIMS values. In order to identify the major age components in the complex detrital age spectra we applied different procedures. The *TuffZirc* procedure (Ludwig, 2003) can find the youngest coherent group of at least 5 age data from at least 12 analyses. In this way both the inherited cores and the Pb loss influenced spot ages can be avoided. The "*PopShare*" (Dunkl and Székely, 2002) and the "*Density plotter*" software (Vermeesch, 2012) are based on different algorithms and can identify more age components. We assigned the highest relevance to the youngest age components as they provide the most reliable maximum age of deposition (von Eynatten and Dunkl, 2012). The different procedures yield very similar ages for the youngest age components, with discrepancies usually in the range of only a few 100 ky. We performed U-Pb dating of zircons from 17 samples, dating usually 50 to 60 grains per sample (implying that age components of 10% or more should be covered at 95% confidence level). In some samples (e.g. samples CAM-11-08 and CAM-11-06), we dated only 15 to 30 grains because the zircon concentration in these samples did not allow more measurements. In some cases, samples derived from the same stratigraphic level were merged to achieve better stratigraphic significance and more robust identification of age clusters (i.e. samples CAM-11-02, CAM-11-03, CAM-11-01, CAM-12-10 and samples CAM-11-07, CAM-10-03) (see Table 3.1 and Section 3.4.1).

Due to its high closure temperature (550-650°C), the titanite U-Pb ages can be interpreted as igneous crystallization ages or cooling ages following the emplacement of deep intrusions or cooling under upper amphibolite facies conditions (Aleinikoff et al., 1993; Frost et al., 2000). We dated colorless and pale green titanites by U-Pb geochronology considering between 2 and 10 grains per sample because most of grains were relatively small and not suited for dating. Like in case of zircons, the titanite ages from some samples were merged if they derive from the same stratigraphic level (i.e. samples CAM-11-01, CAM-12-10, CAM-11-03, CAM-12-01).

In order to achieve unbiased heavy mineral spectra, we performed gravity separation on the fraction 63-125 μm after acetic acid treatment. Around $\sim 20 \text{ mg}$ was extracted from each sample, and placed on a paper slide using a small funnel (to avoid fractionation). Samples were split in four equal parts using a razor blade, where a quarter of the sample ($\sim 5 \text{ mg}$) is mounted on a glass slide and embedded with "Cargille Meltmount" (refraction index of 1.66) at ca. 70°C . Quantitative ribbon-counting of heavy minerals was performed counting 250 to 300 non-opaque grains per slides. We

analyzed the heavy mineral composition of sedimentary samples from the Camaná Formation to compare them with the potential source rocks spectra. Additionally, the optical analysis of some samples was reinforced by Raman spectroscopy. The Raman spectra were evaluated by the software CrystalSleuth (Laetsch and Downs, 2006). The in-situ geochemical analysis of titanite grains was completed at the Geoscience Center of the Georg-August University, Göttingen, using an excimer laser coupled to a Perkin Elmer DRC II ICP-MS.

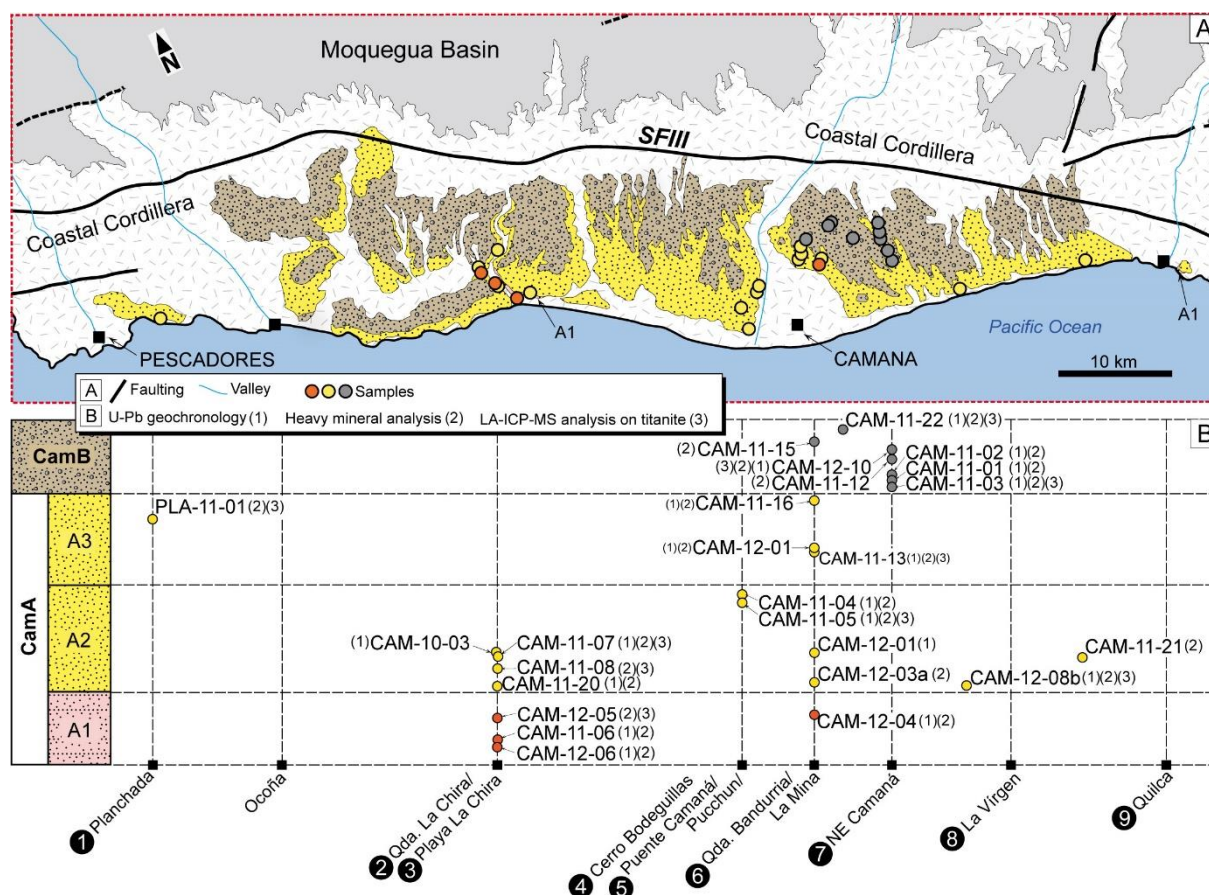


Fig. 3.3. Detailed scheme of the local geology between 16°25'S and 17°15'S. A: Geological map and location of the samples for this study. B: Simplified stratigraphy of the Camaná Formation (Alván and von Eynatten, 2014) and a rough stratigraphic position of the samples. The study sites are indicated in white numbers on black circles.

3.4. Results

3.4.1. Detrital zircon and titanite U-Pb geochronology

In total, this section presents 595 new zircon U-Pb ages and 97 titanite U-Pb ages. The results are listed in Table 3.1, and they are graphically presented as binned frequency plots and probability density plots constructed by *AgeDisplay* (Sircombe, 2004) (Figs. 3.4 and 3.5).

In sub-unit A1 of CamA unit the zircon single-grain age spectra ($n = 70$ ages) are dominated by Silurian U-Pb age components (~ 440 to ~ 430 Ma) and no Cenozoic ages were detected (see Fig. 3.5A). However, in sub-unit A2 ($n = 201$ ages) and sub-unit A3 ($n = 106$ ages) beyond the early Paleozoic zircon ages, Cenozoic ages are present. The youngest age components are 23.0 ± 0.4 Ma (Playa La Chira, Fig. 3.4A), and 21.7 ± 1.3 Ma (Quebrada La Chira, Fig. 3.4B) at the base of the sub-unit A2, and 21.2 ± 0.5 Ma (Playa La Virgen, Fig. 3.4C) and 20.0 ± 0.6 Ma (Puente Camaná, Fig. 3.4D) near the topmost strata of sub-unit A2. These age components can be considered as maximum age of sedimentation. Furthermore, zircons from the topmost strata of A3 yield a youngest age component of

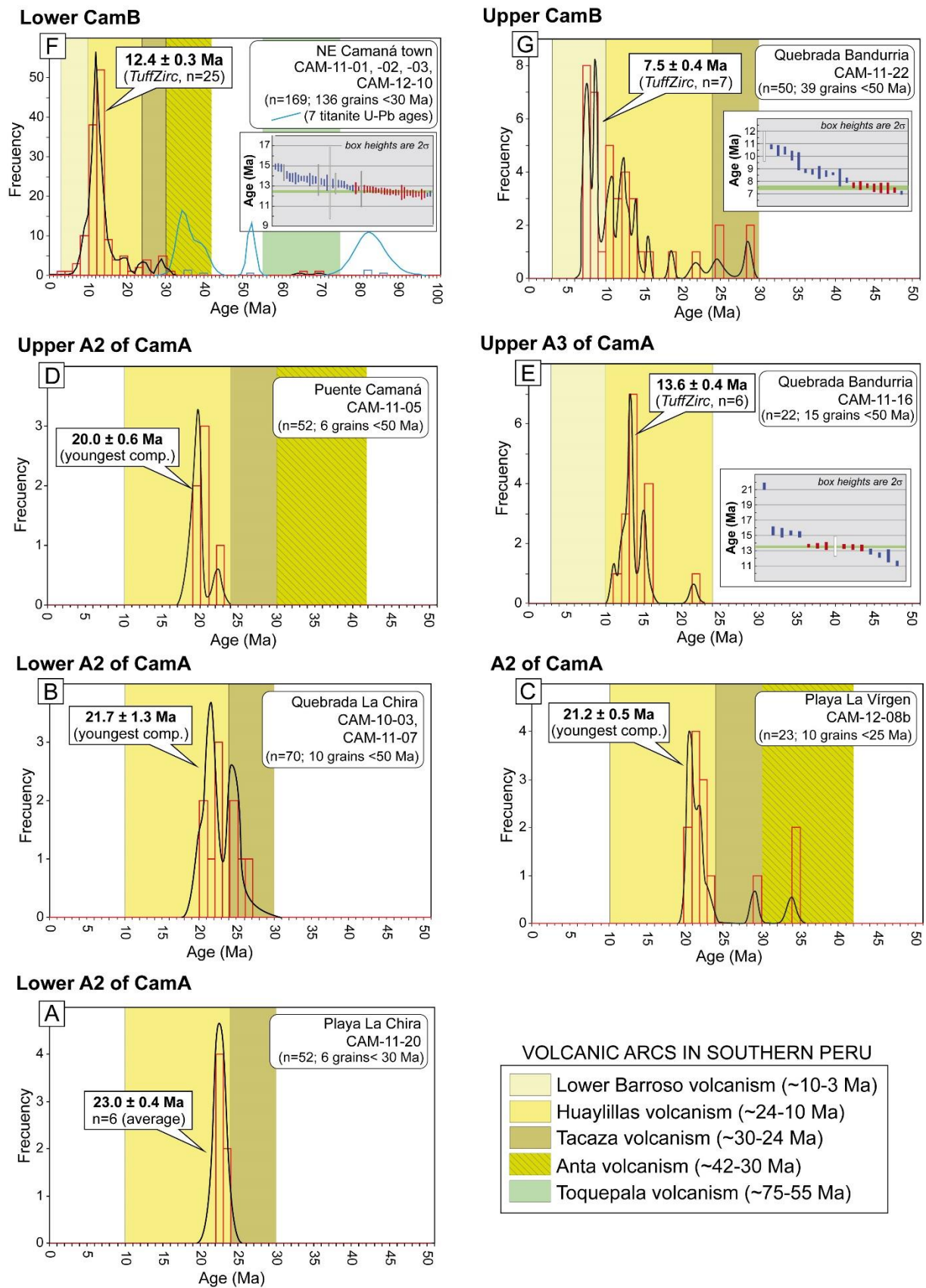
13.6 \pm 0.4 Ma (Quebrada Bandurria, Fig. 3.4E). Zircon U-Pb age components and single-grain ages >24 Ma are also abundant in these sub-units, showing signals between ~460 and ~434 Ma and subordinate ages between ~2170 and ~990 Ma (Table 3.1 and Figs. 3.5B to 3.5E).

Table 3.1. Samples of the Camaná Formation. Zircon and titanite U-Pb data including sample description and location. Youngest zircon age components and single-grain ages on zircons and titanites >24 Ma. N.C. (Zrn) = number of zircon crystals, N.C. (Ttn) = number of titanite crystals. Total number of zircons dated is 599, and total number of titanites dated is 97. Plus (+) symbol in samples at CamB unit indicates merging of samples.

Sample	Stratigraphy	Description	UTM E	UTM N	alt. (m)	Youngest age component		"Old" single-grain ages and age component			
						N.C. (Zrn)	Age \pm 2 σ (Ma) *	N.C. (Zrn)	Age \pm 2 σ (Ma) *	N.C. (Ttn)	Age \pm 2 σ (Ma) *
CAM-11-22	upper CamB	Quebrada Bandurria	751239	8165802	604	39	7.5 \pm 0.4	4	~86-240		
								2	~435-470		
								5	~960-1650		
CAM-12-10+	lower CamB	Panamerican highway, SE Camaná	752944	8165123	492	136	12.4 \pm 0.3	2	~65-70	1	~10
CAM-11-02+			753071	8164820	460			7	~120-280	7	~34-85
CAM-11-01+			753066	8164772	457			3	~460-480	10	~290-480
CAM-11-03			752746	8162688	311			20	~950-1870		
CAM-11-16	upper A3	Quebrada Bandurria	746510	8165376	390	15	13.6 \pm 0.4	1	~400		
								5	~1200-1730		
CAM-12-01	lower A3	La Mina	746661	8166096	417			29	451.6 \pm 3.8	1	~52
										8	432.0 \pm 3.9
CAM-11-13	lower A3	Quebrada Bandurria	746715	8166116	449			56	460.8 \pm 6.1	19	392.7 \pm 10.0
CAM-11-05	upper A2	Puente Camaná	741936	8165130	46	6	20.0 \pm 0.6	46	434.2 \pm 6.7	18	408.7 \pm 13.6
CAM-12-08b	A2	Playa La Virgen	756628	8155804	26	10	21.2 \pm 0.5	3	~450		
								8	~990-1790		
CAM-11-07+	lower A2	Quebrada La Chira	720591	8175087	156	10	21.7 \pm 1.3	56	458.3 \pm 4.5	10	420.1 \pm 9.1
CAM-10-03								4	~1140-1820		
CAM-11-08	lower A2	Quebrada La Chira	720460	8175211	179	5	~18 to ~33	1	1801		
CAM-11-20	lower A2	Playa La Chira	722011	8172689	19	6	23.0 \pm 0.4	1	~136		
								42	457.4 \pm 5.6		
								3	~1140-2170		
CAM-12-04	A1	La Mina	745810	8163672	79			27	437.6 \pm 4.9	11	433.3 \pm 6.5
CAM-11-06	A1	Quebrada La Chira	720580	8175114	167			17	433.5 \pm 5.9		
								1	~1710		
CAM-12-06	A1	Playa La Chira	721880	8172638	3			25	439.0 \pm 6.5	12	424.8 \pm 11.2
Total						227		368		97	

The amount of zircons from reworked ash layers in the sandy sediments of CamB (n = 218 ages) is higher than in sediments of CamA (specifically the sub-units A2 and A3). Zircons at the base of the CamB unit (n = 169 ages) yield the youngest U-Pb age components of 12.4 \pm 0.3 Ma (NE Camaná, Fig. 3.4F), and 7.5 \pm 0.4 Ma near the top of CamB unit (Quebrada Bandurria, Fig. 3.4G). The youngest age component shown in Fig. 3.4F (12.4 \pm 0.3 Ma) is a result of 136 combined data by using the *TuffZirc* algorithm (ISOPLOT software, Ludwig, 2003). However, using other algorithms like *Density Plotter* (Vermeesch, 2012) and *PopShare* (Dunkl and Székely, 2003) we obtained even younger age components like 8.7, 9.1, and 9.8 Ma using different settings for the search algorithms (see Section 3.5.1). It poses the possibility that the maximum age of deposition of CamB is younger than 10 Ma.

Fig. 3.4. (next page) Binned age histograms and probability density plots of zircon (red and black lines) and colorless titanite (blue) single-grain U-Pb ages obtained from sediments of the Camaná Formation. The probability density plots were calculated by *AgeDisplay* and *Density Plotter* softwares (Sircombe, 2004; Vermeesch, 2012). The youngest age components were identified by *Density Plotter* or by *PopShare* methods (Vermeesch, 2012; Dunkl and Székely, 2002). When the number and quality of single-grain ages allowed then the youngest component was identified by the *TuffZirc* method (Ludwig, 2003). Red vertical bars on the cumulative plots indicate the single-grain ages that are considered for the *TuffZirc* age.



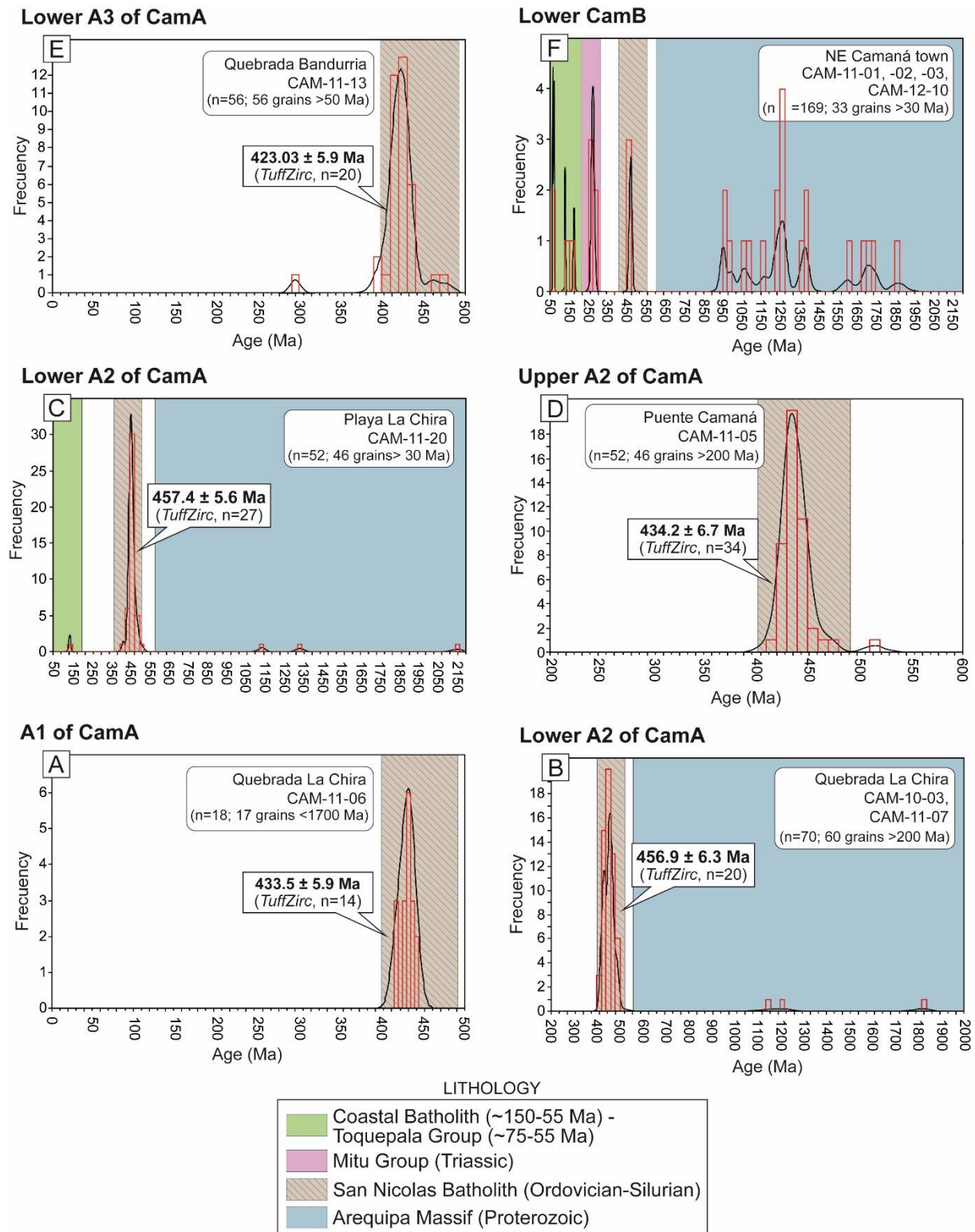


Fig. 3.5. Zircon U-Pb age components and single-grain ages of potential source rocks obtained from sediments of the Camaná Formation. Ages are shown in binned age histograms and probability density plots (red and black lines). We used *AgeDisplay* and *Density Plotter* softwares (Sircombe, 2004; Vermeesch, 2012) for age calculations.

In the spectrum of CamB unit, zircon U-Pb ages of single grains older than 24 Ma are also observed, and they consist of abundant ages between ~1870 and ~950 Ma, and in minor proportion single-grain ages between ~480 and ~435 Ma, between ~280 and ~85 Ma, and between ~30 and ~24

Ma (Table 3.1 and Fig. 3.5F). Additionally, we observe few titanite U-Pb single-grain ages between ~480 and ~290 Ma, and between ~85 and ~34 Ma (blue lines in Fig. 3.4F). For discussions and interpretations, we have separated our geochronological results in two sections: (i) the youngest zircon age components <24 Ma relevant for the chronostratigraphy of Camaná Formation (see Section 3.5.1), and (ii) the ages older than 24 Ma, comprising zircon and titanite ages with high relevance for the provenance model (see Section 3.5.3).

3.4.2. Heavy mineral analysis

The heavy mineral spectra are presented in Table 3.2 and Figures 3.6 and 3.7. Abbreviations of heavy minerals have been taken from Whitney and Evans (2010), Zrn = zircon, Tur = tourmaline, Rt = rutile, Ap = apatite, Pxn = pyroxene, Sil = sillimanite, and Ep = epidote. Besides the usual abbreviations we introduced for the special varieties Ttn₁ = brown/yellow titanite, Ttn₂ = colorless/pale green titanite, Grt₁ = pink garnet, Grt₂ = colorless/pale green garnet, Amp₁ = fresh amphibole, and Amp₂ = altered amphibole. Commonly used heavy mineral ratios were also considered in our analysis in order to characterize mineral spectra (e.g. ZTR = zircon-tourmaline-rutile index, GZi = garnet-zircon index, and ATi = apatite-tourmaline index, according to Hubert, 1962, and Morton and Hallsworth, 1999).

3.4.2.1. Heavy mineral spectra of potential source rocks

Optical examination of heavy minerals from potential source lithologies (Fig. 3.6) allows characterizing their composition, and provides the basis for comparisons with the Camaná Formation. Potential source rocks are restricted to the rocks forming the Coastal Cordillera and the Western Cordillera (white letters on black circles in Fig. 3.1C). Potential source rocks are the Arequipa Massif (gneisses, granulites, and migmatites), the San Nicolas Batholith (granites), the Coastal Batholith (diorites), the Mitu Group (conglomerates and quartzarenites), the Yura Group (quartzarenites), and the Tacaza Group (diorites) (Table 3.2A).

Arequipa Massif. The metamorphic rocks of the Arequipa Massif crop out in the Coastal Cordillera and the Western Cordillera. These rocks consist of Greenvillian-aged metamorphic rocks collected in north of Aplao and in Toran (sites "h" and "g" in Fig. 3.1C). The representative heavy mineral spectrum of the Arequipa Massif shows Grt₁ (up to 69%), and Ep (up to 70%) and they are considered as major components. Ap (up to 17%), Sil (6%), and Ttn₂ (up to 7%) are also observed as subordinate components. Notably, Grt₁ and Sil are only found in the granulites and migmatites of the Arequipa Massif of the Coastal Cordillera (site "g" in Fig. 3.1C), as observed by Martignole and Martelat (2003); while gneisses of the Arequipa Massif within the Western Cordillera contain Grt₂ (site "h" in Fig. 3.1C) and are rich in Ep and Amp₂. The proportions of Pxn, Zrn, Tur, and Rt are very minor (their sum is 12%), while Amp₁ and Ttn₁ are not observed.

San Nicolas Batholith. The igneous rocks of the San Nicolas Batholith crop out at the Coastal Cordillera and they consist of red granites and syenogranites. The samples were collected northeast of the town of Camaná (site "f" in Fig. 3.1C). The heavy mineral assemblage shows Ttn₁ (78%) and Zrn (11%) as major components. Ttn₁ is only observed in granites and syenogranites of the San Nicolas Batholith (see Section 3.4.3.1 and Fig. 3.8). Minor components include Ap (5%), Amp₂ (3%), and Gr₁ (<1%). Sil, Amp₁, Grt₂, Rt, Pxn, Tur, and Ttn₂ are not observed.

Coastal Batholith. The igneous rocks of the Coastal Batholith crop out at the northeast side of the study area (Western Cordillera). They are diorites collected near Caravelí (sites "b" and "c" in Fig. 3.1C). The representative heavy mineral concentration shows Amp₁ (up to 84%) and Ep (up to 15%) as major components. Subordinate components are Amp₂ (5%). The proportions of Ap, Zrn, Pxn, and Ttn₂ are very minor or not significant (the sum is 5%). Sil, Tur, Rt, Grt₁, Grt₂, and Ttn₁ are not observed.

Table 3.2. Heavy mineral compositions of the potential source rocks (A) and the Camaná Formation (B). Values are expressed in percentages. To see location of sampling of potential source rocks, see Fig. 3.1, and location of samples of the Camaná Formation, see Fig. 3.3. All samples listed in both tables have been analyzed for heavy minerals, and additional analysis are indicated in columns at the right side, where 1 = U-Pb on zircons, 2 = U-Pb on titanites, and 3 = LA-ICP-MS analysis of titanites. Sample CAM-11-01 (not listed here) has been processed for zircon and titanite U-Pb geochronology and joined to the samples CAM-11-02, CAM-11-03, and CAM-12-10 (Fig. 3.4F). Sample CAM-10-03 (not listed here) has been processed for zircon U-Pb geochronology and joined to the sample CAM-11-07 (Fig. 4B) (see Section 3.4.1). Abbreviations: Zrn = zircon, Tur = tourmaline, Rt = rutile, Ap = apatite, Pxn = pyroxene, Ttn₁ = brown/yellow titanite, Ttn₂ = colorless/pale green titanite, Grt₁ = pink garnet, Grt₂ = colorless/pale green garnet, Sil = sillimanite, Ep = epidote, Amp₁ = fresh amphibole, and Amp₂ = altered amphibole.

A: Potential source rocks

Lithology	Sample	Site	Zrn	Tur	Rt	Ap	Pxn	Ttn ₁	Ttn ₂	Grt ₁	Grt ₂	Sil	Ep	Amp ₁	Amp ₂	1	2	3
Tacaza Group (Oligocene)	TAZ-00-03	a	0	0	0	0	21	0	6	0	0	0	47	0	26			x
Coastal Batholith (Early Jurassic-Paleocene)	CARA-10-01	b	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	14	77	5			x
	MAJ-12-03	c	0	0	0	2	1	0	2	0	0	0	11	84	0			
Yura Group (Jurassic)	OCO-08-03	d	75	3	12	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	2			
Mitu Group (Perm.-Trias.)	CAM-11-11	e	65	3	20	4	2	0	0	2	0	0	4	0	1			
San Nicolas Batholith (Ord.-Sil.)	CAM-08-03	f	11	0	0	5	0	80	0	0	0	0	2	0	2			x
Arequipa Massif (Proterozoic)	MAJ-12-06	g	0	2	0	1	5	0	0	69	0	6	14	0	3			
	MAJ-12-01A	h	4	0	0	17	0	0	1	0	8	0	35	0	34			
	MAJ-12-01B		0	0	0	3	0	0	6	0	0	0	70	0	20			
	MAJ-12-01D		1	0	0	7	0	0	7	0	0	0	25	0	59			x

B: Camaná Formation (detrital)

Unit	Sample	Site	Zrn	Tur	Rt	Ap	Pxn	Ttn ₁	Ttn ₂	Grt ₁	Grt ₂	Sil	Ep	Amp ₁	Amp ₂	ZTR	ATi	GZi	1	2	3
CamB	CAM-11-22	8	0	0	0	1	59	0	3	3	0	0	13	0	21	0	1	2	x		x
	CAM-12-10		8	1	1	2	13	0	10	13	0	1	22	0	28	10	4	7	x	x	x
	CAM-11-02		6	3	0	3	26	0	1	1	0	0	3	17	41	8	6	0	x		
	CAM-11-12		3	0	1	5	11	1	5	4	0	0	36	0	34	3	5	3			
	CAM-11-03		1	0	0	3	8	0	7	1	0	1	6	2	71	1	3	0	x	x	x
CamA	PLA-11-01	1	6	0	0	11	2	0	2	5	0	1	6	1	65	6	11	3			x
	CAM-11-16	7	3	0	0	2	3	0	2	2	0	1	13	1	71	4	3	1	x		x
	CAM-12-01		11	0	0	7	0	69	0	4	0	0	3	0	4	11	8	3	x	x	
	CAM-11-13		22	0	0	10	1	47	0	9	0	0	10	0	1	22	10	4	x	x	x
	CAM-11-04	6	5	0	14	2	0	46	0	8	2	4	10	0	8	19	3	6			
	CAM-11-05		20	0	0	11	0	33	10	6	0	8	5	3	3	20	11	2	x	x	x
	CAM-11-21	11	3	2	0	4	1	3	1	42	0	3	8	1	32	5	6	24			
	CAM-12-03a	7	7	0	1	8	0	76	2	0	0	0	5	0	0	9	8	0			
	CAM-12-08b	11	0	0	0	2	1	1	1	0	68	12	12	0	1	0	2	35	x		x
	CAM-11-08	2	7	3	1	5	2	1	4	0	15	7	54	0	1	11	11	1	x		x
	CAM-11-07		14	0	0	17	4	19	4	1	0	4	5	1	30	14	17	1	x	x	x
	CAM-11-20	3	15	1	0	9	3	31	0	1	0	3	19	3	13	17	10	10	x		
	CAM-12-05	2	11	2	0	19	0	35	12	3	0	0	16	0	2	13	21	2			x
	CAM-12-04	7	4	0	1	10	16	49	1	3	0	0	12	0	4	5	10	2	x		x
	CAM-11-06	2	6	0	9	13	0	50	11	4	0	0	1	0	6	15	13	2	x		x
	CAM-12-06	3	5	0	0	7	3	32	23	0	0	3	25	0	2	5	7	0	x		x

Mitu, Yura, and Tacaza Groups. Quartzarenites of the Mitu and Yura Groups crop out mostly along the Western Cordillera. We collected pebbles of quartzarenites at the river mouth of the Ocoña valley (site "d" in Fig. 3.1C). The quartzarenites show abundance of Zrn (75%) and Rt (20%), and subordinate proportions of Ap, Pxn, Grt₁, Ep, Amp₂, and Tur (between 1% and 4%). The concentration of ZTR minerals (Zrn, Tur, and Rt) suggests a high-degree of mineralogical maturity. Diorites of the Tacaza Group crop out in the Altiplano and the Western Cordillera, and we collected samples at Cotahuasi, northeast Caravelí (site "a" in Fig. 3.1C). Diorites show Ep (47%), Amp₂ (26%), and Pxn (21%) and they are considered as major components of the Tacaza Group. The high proportion of Pxn is conspicuous of the Tacaza Group, and also the Huayllillas and Lower Barroso volcanic arcs (Decou et al., 2011). Proportions of Ttn₂ (up to 6%) are subordinate components. Ap, Tur, Rt, Ttn₁, Grt₁, and Grt₂ are not observed.

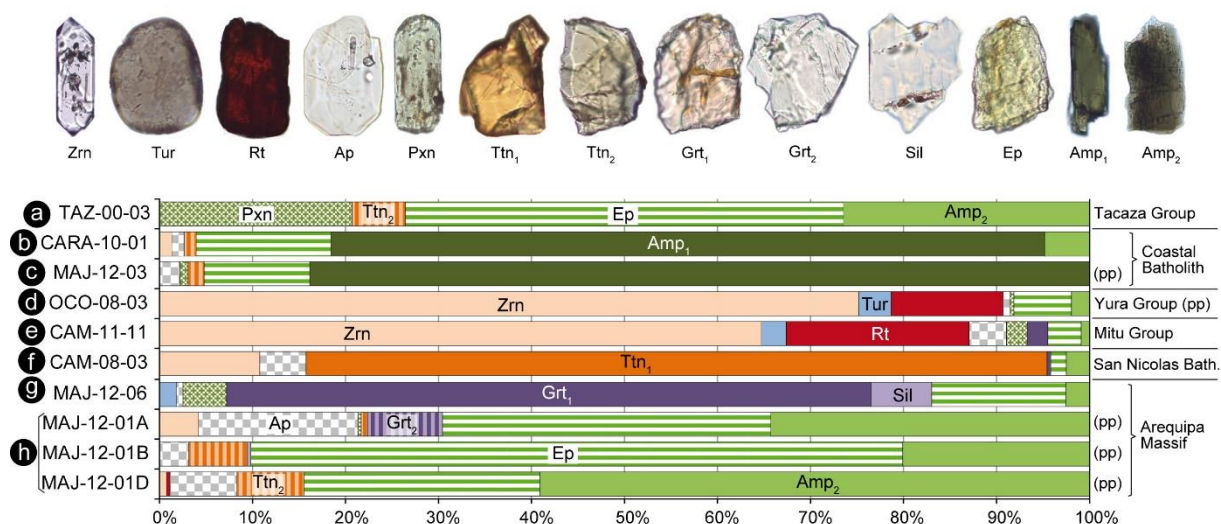


Fig. 3.6. Representative heavy mineral assemblages of potential source rocks. Tacaza Group (Oligocene diorites), Coastal Batholith (Late Cretaceous diorites), Yura Group (Jurassic quartzarenites), Mitu Group (Permian-Triassic quartzites), San Nicolas Bath. (Ordovician-Silurian granites), Arequipa Massif (Proterozoic gneisses and granulites). Grain size varies between 250 and 65 μm . (pp) indicates pebble populations. Lettering in black circles to the left refers to the location of the samples (Fig. 3.1C). Abbreviations: Zrn = zircon, Tur = tourmaline, Rt = rutile, Ap = apatite, Pxn = pyroxene, Ttn₁ = brown/yellow titanite, Ttn₂ = colorless/pale green titanite, Grt₁ = pink garnet, Grt₂ = colorless/pale green garnet, Sil = sillimanite, Ep = epidote, Amp₁ = fresh amphibole, and Amp₂ = altered amphibole, (pp) = pebble population.

3.4.2.2. Heavy mineral spectra of the Camaná Formation

To describe the heavy mineral spectra of the Camaná Formation (Table 3.2B), we refer to three main groups, i.e. (i) the sub-unit A1, (ii) the sub-units A2 and A3, and (iii) the CamB unit (Fig. 3.7), according to the stratigraphic division of Alván and von Eynatten (2014). We consider that the additional use of the ZTR (zircon-tourmaline-rutile), GZi (garnet-zircon), and ATi (apatite-tourmaline) indexes (Hubert, 1962; Morton and Hallsworth, 1999) are appropriate to support the definition of potential provenance shifts.

The heavy mineral spectrum of sub-unit A1 shown in Fig. 3.7 is dominated by Ttn₁ (up to 50%, sample CAM-11-06), Ep (up to 25%, sample CAM-12-06), Ttn₂ (up to 23%, sample CAM-12-06), Ap (19%, sample CAM-12-05), and Pxn (up to 16%, sample CAM-12-04).

Moreover, subordinate populations include Zrn (up to 11%, sample CAM-12-05), and very minor components of Tur, Sil, Amp₂, and Grt₁ (less than 6%). Grains of Grt₂ and Amp₁ are not observed in sandstones of the sub-unit A1. The proportion of Rt is commonly minor, except in some layers (up to 9%, sample CAM-11-06). Values of the GZi index in sediments of A1 are the lowest of the Camaná Formation (GZi = 2%); while the ATi values are the highest (between 7% and 21%) (Fig. 3.9).

Sediments of the sub-unit A2 and lower part of sub-unit A3 show the highest concentration of Ttn₁ observed in the Camaná Formation (up to 76%, sample CAM-12-03a). This amount is followed by Ep (up to 54%, sample CAM-11-08), Zrn (up to 22%, sample CAM-11-13), and Ap (up to 17%, sample CAM-11-07). Despite Grt₁ and Grt₂ are frequently subordinate constituents in these sediments, they are exceptionally abundant in some layers (e.g. Grt₂, 68%, sample CAM-12-08b; Grt₁, 42%, sample CAM-11-21; and Ttn₂, 10%, sample CAM-11-05) (see Fig. 3.9). Sil, Amp₂, and Rt are minor constituent, and we want to highlight that the proportions of these heavy minerals are significantly higher in some strata than others (Sil: up to 12%, sample CAM-12-08b; Rt: 14%, sample CAM-11-04). Very minor components are Tur, Pxn, and Amp₁ (less than 10%).

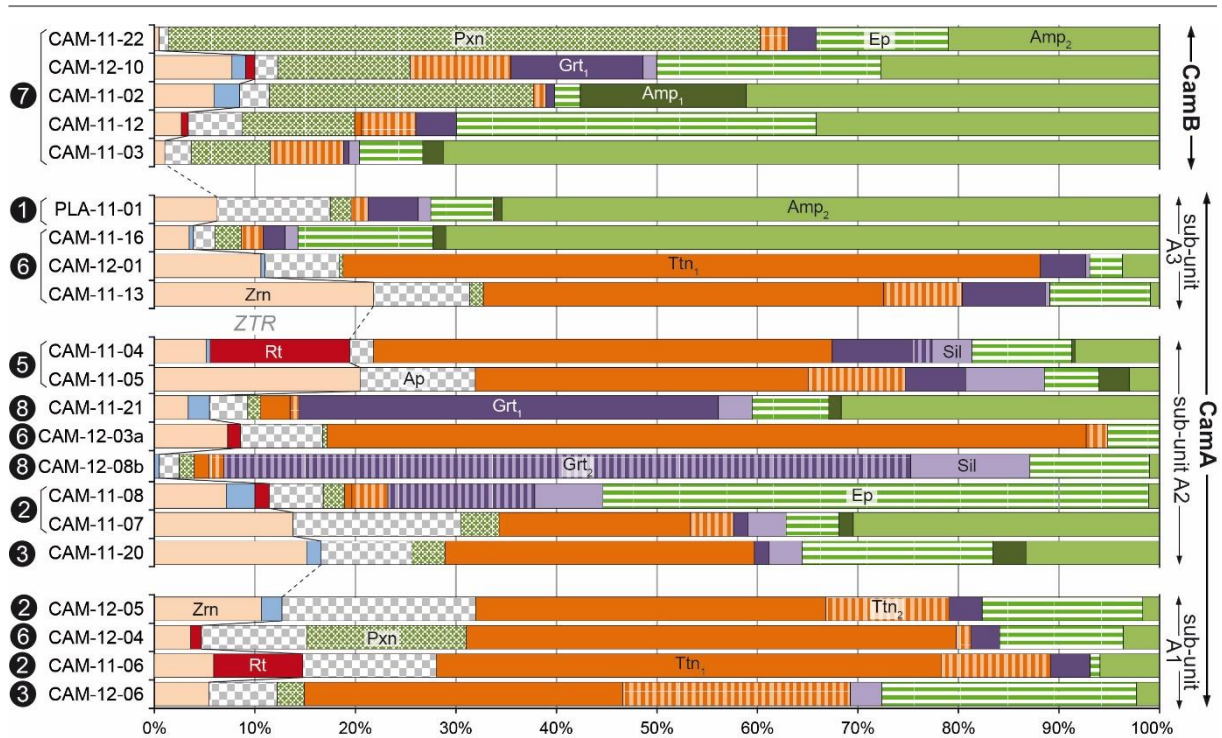


Fig. 3.7. Heavy mineral spectra of the Camaná Formation. Grains counted for each sample are between 200 and 250. The spectra are organized according to four stratigraphic sub-divisions, i.e. CamA: A1, A2, A3, and CamB (Alván and von Eynatten, 2014). Location of the samples is indicated in numbers to the left referring to Fig. 3.3. Abbreviations: Zrn = zircon, Tur = tourmaline, Rt = rutile, Ap = apatite, Pxn = pyroxene, Ttn₁ = brown/yellow titanite, Ttn₂ = colorless/pale green titanite, Grt₁ = pink garnet, Grt₂ = colorless/pale green garnet, Sil = sillimanite, Ep = epidote, Amp₁ = fresh amphibole, and Amp₂ = altered amphibole.

The values of the ZTR and the GZi indexes in sediments of A2 and lower A3 are the highest of the Camaná Formation (up to 22% and 35%, respectively) (left side in Fig. 3.9). The additional input of garnets and sillimanites is considered as the first shift in provenance of the Camaná Formation (lower red line in Fig. 3.9), and reflects the exhumation of additional source rocks (i.e. the Arequipa Massif, see Section 3.5.3).

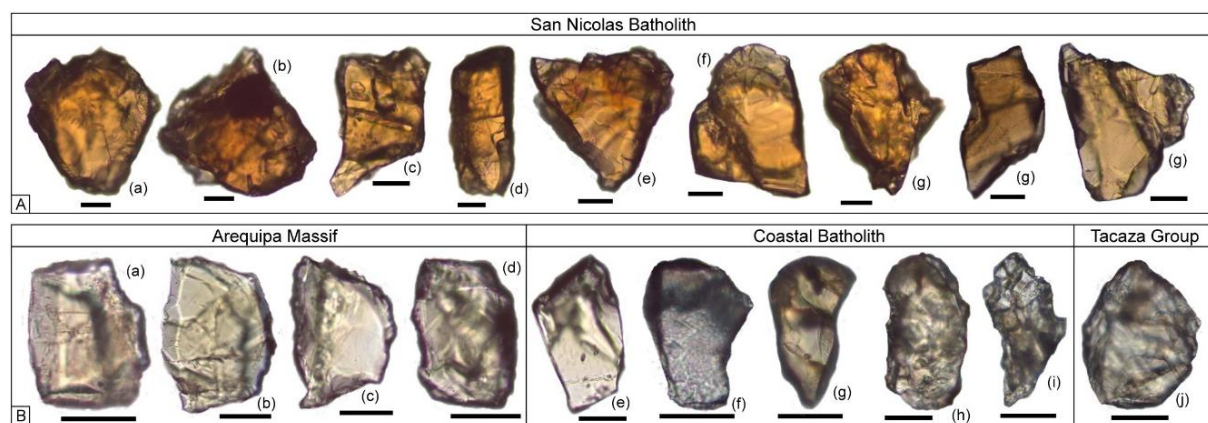


Fig. 3.8. Representative population of titanite grains from source rocks (embedded in Cargile Melmount 1.66). A: Brown/yellow titanite (Ttn₁) of red granites of the Ordovician San Nicolas Batholith (CAM-08-03), collected ~8 km northeast Camaná town. B: Colorless/pale green titanite (Ttn₂). (a) Titanite of migmatite (MAJ-12-01A), (b) Titanite of amphibolite (MAJ-12-01B), and (c) and (d) titanites of amphibole-rich gabbro (MAJ-12-01D). (a) to (d) are pebbles derived of the Proterozoic Arequipa Massif and were collected in Majes Valley, ~5 km north of Aplao Town. (e) to (i) Titanite of diorite of the Coastal Batholith collected in Corire (MAJ-12-03), and (i) ~1 km northwest of Caravelí Town (CARA-10-01). (j) Titanite of diorite of the Tacaza Group (TAZ-00-03) collected ~8 km NE Caravelí town.

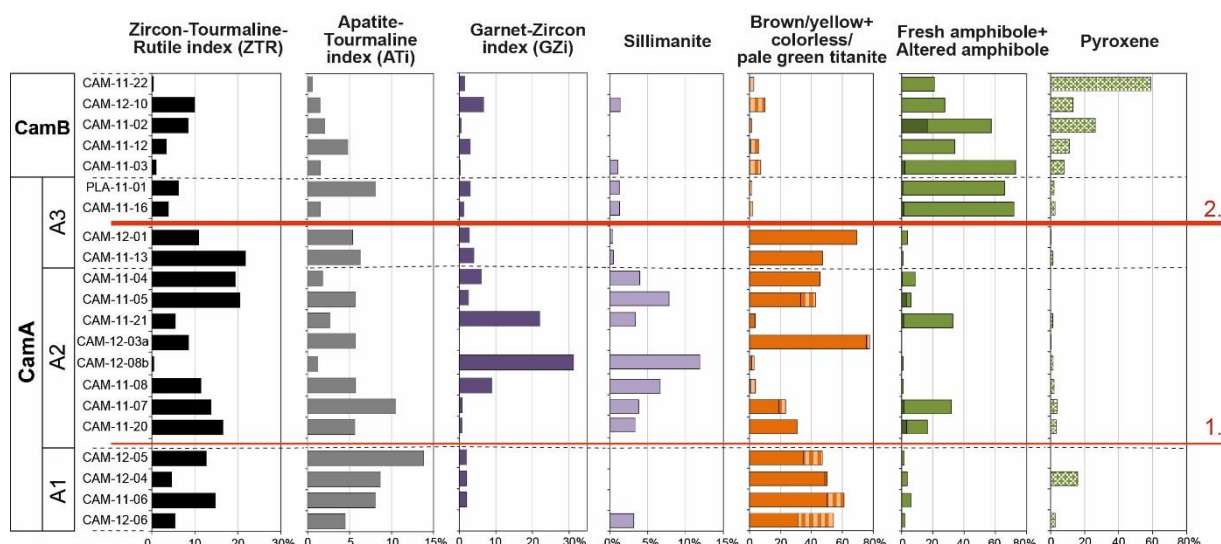


Fig. 3.9. Relevant parameters of the heavy mineral spectra of the Camaná Formation. Positioning of samples within each unit or sub-unit is tentative. Variations in particular heavy minerals support two major shifts in sediment provenance (red lines). ZTR = zircon-tourmaline-tutile index, ATi = apatite-tourmaline index, GZi = garnet-zircon index (according to Hubert, 1962 and Morton and Hallsworth, 1994). Percentages related to the whole heavy mineral spectra for each sample. Abbreviations are given in Table 3.2. Location of samples is shown in Fig. 3.3.

Strata of the upper part of the sub-unit A3 and CamB unit, besides containing a large amount of reworked ash, show a marked change in the mineralogical composition compared to underlying strata of sub-units A2 and lower A3. This is reflected in a drastic increase of Amp₂ (up to 71%, sample CAM-11-16), Pxn (up to 59%, sample CAM-11-22), and Ep (up to 36%, sample CAM-11-12) (Fig. 3.9). These strata are also featured by dramatic decrease of Ttn₁ (up to 1%, sample CAM-11-12), Grt₁ (up to 5%; rarely 13%, e.g. sample CAM-12-10), and absence of sediments with Grt₂. Additional subordinate components are Amp₁ (up to 2%) and rarely up to 17% (sample CAM-11-02), Ap (up to 11%, sample PLA-11-01), and Ttn₂ (up to 10%, CAM-12-10). Rt, Tur, Zrn, and Sil show very minor concentrations (less than 10%). The values of the ZTR, ATi, and GZi indexes in sediments of the upper part of A3 and CamB are the lowest of the Camaná Formation. The high proportions of pyroxenes, amphiboles, and epidotes of upper A3 and CamB support a second and drastic mineralogical shift (upper red line in Fig. 3.9).

3.4.3. Geochemistry of titanite grains

Titanite is present in both the Camaná Formation and the potential source rocks. Due to its relative chemical stability, titanite is expected to record the original crystal chemical composition through time (Morton, 1991; Mange and Maurer, 1992; Andó et al., 2012; von Eynatten and Dunkl, 2012). Titanite can thus be used as mineral tracer to discriminate sediment provenance by means of geochemical analysis.

3.4.3.1. Titanites from potential source rocks

In southern Peruvian forearc, parental titanites (n = 55) are differentiated according to their color in two types, i.e. (i) Ttn₁ (brown/yellow) (Fig. 3.8A) and (ii) Ttn₂ (colorless/pale green) (Fig. 3.8B). We describe the geochemical features of titanites from four potential source rocks, i.e. the San Nicolas Batholith, the Arequipa Massif, the Coastal Batholith, and the Tacaza Group, and constrain their chemical variations by comparing chemical proxies that best reflect the contribution of specific source rock lithologies. Some plots showing these relationships and allow for discrimination of source rocks (Fig. 3.10). Results of the chemical analysis are listed in the electronic appendix.

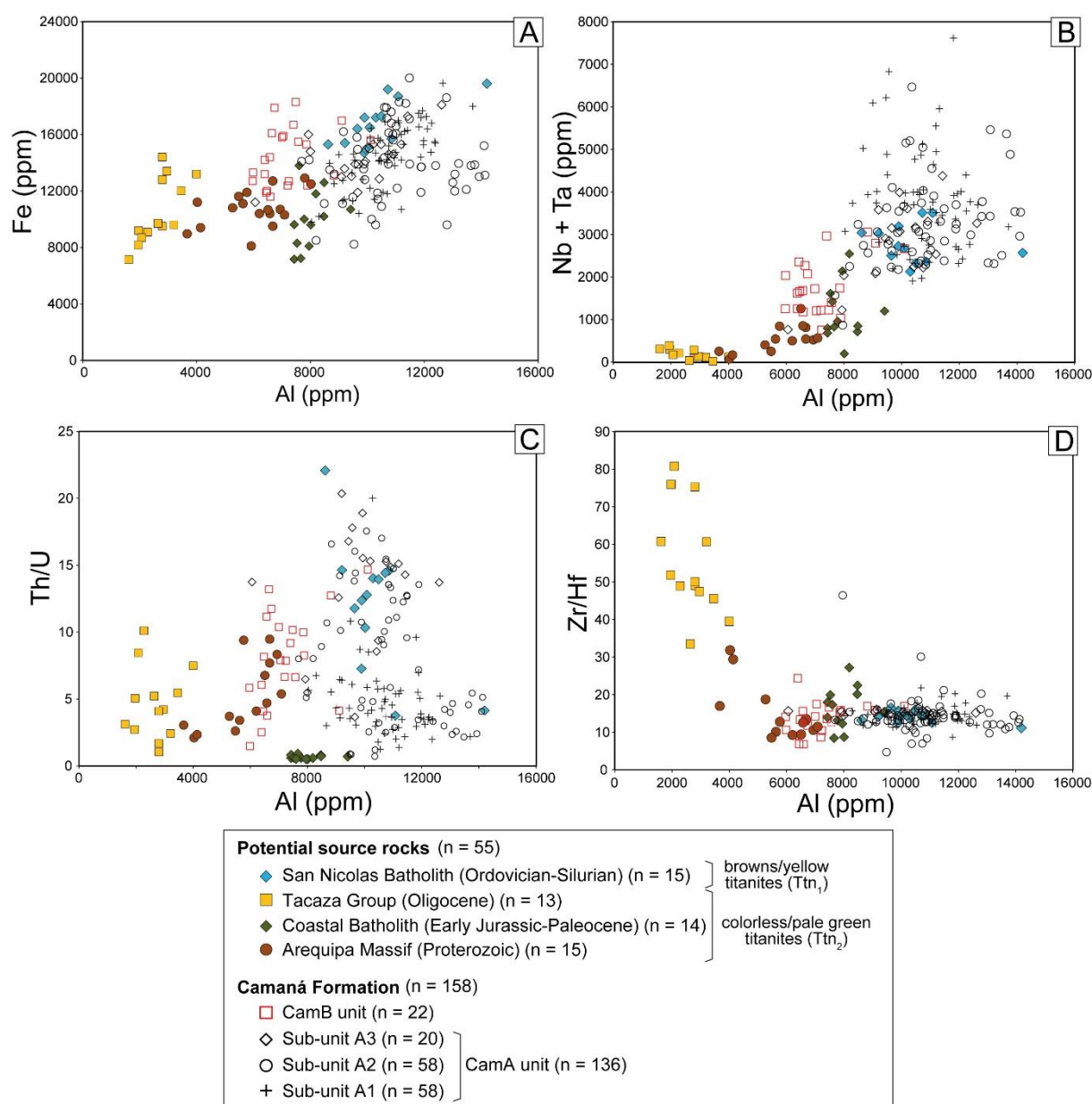


Fig. 3.10. Chemical composition of titanites from four potential source rocks (filled symbols) and the Camaná Formation (open symbols) shown in bivariate variation diagrams. In A: Fe (ppm) versus Al (ppm). In B: Nb+Ta (ppm) versus Al (ppm), In C: Th/U versus Al (ppm). In D: Zr/Hf versus Al (ppm). All diagrams show clear differentiation of the potential source rocks. Titanites of CamA (black open symbols) and CamB (red open symbols) are slightly overlapping, they are clearly distinguished by lower Al and (Nb+Ta) content and smaller Th/U range.

LA-ICP-MS analyses accomplished on titanites demonstrated that Ttn₁ (which are derived solely from the San Nicolas Batholith, blue symbols in Fig. 3.10) shows higher proportions of Fe, Al, and Nb+Ta than any Ttn₂ of the remaining potential source rocks. Some chemical proxies are suited for further discriminations among Ttn₂ grains of the Arequipa Massif (brown symbols in Fig. 3.10), the Coastal Batholith (green symbols in Fig. 3.10), and the Tacaza Group (yellow symbols in Fig. 3.10). For instance, Ttn₂ of the Arequipa Massif yield the highest REE concentrations of the group of colorless/pale green titanites (generally 2080 to 20161 ppm; see Appendix). Ttn₂ of the Coastal Batholith shows on average the highest Al values (from 7430 to 9410 ppm), U values (generally between 166 and 727 ppm) and Nb+Ta concentrations (between 196 and 2545 ppm) of this group, and it shows smaller Fe/Al ratios (between 0.94 and 1.82) than Ttn₂ of Arequipa Massif. Ttn₂ of the

Tacaza Group shows the lowest concentrations of Al, REE, and Nb+Ta of both types of titanite, while the values of Fe/Al and Zr/Hf are the highest.

3.4.3.2. Detrital titanites from the Camaná Formation

According to the division of Alván and von Eynatten (2014) (i.e. CamA and CamB units), detrital titanites ($n = 158$) are displayed as black symbols (CamA unit) and red open symbols (CamB unit) in Fig. 3.10. Titanites of the sub-unit A3 correspond mostly to titanites of the lower part of this sub-unit.

The concentrations of Al were crucial to characterize Ttn₁ and Ttn₂ when comparing them to Fe and Nb+Ta concentrations, or Th/U, and Zr/Hf ratios, providing consistent discriminations. In Fig. 3.10, we observe clear distinctions among titanites of the Camaná Formation (black and brown open symbols reflecting CamA and CamB, respectively). Fe versus Al diagram in Fig. 3.10A shows that titanites of CamA (black open symbols) overlap entirely the field of the Ttn₁-bearing rocks of the San Nicolas Batholith. Moreover, minor proportions of titanites of CamA partly overlap with the fields of the Arequipa Massif and the Coastal Batholith (Ttn₂-bearing rocks).

Conversely, titanites of CamB unit (red open symbols) partly overlie the brown and green symbols that represent the Arequipa Massif and the Coastal Batholith, respectively. Although a very minor overlap of titanites from CamA and CamB is observed, we note a generally very well defined distinction among them. Scattering patterns of titanites of CamA and CamB in Fig. 3.10A are very similar to scattering in Figs. 3.10B, 3.10C, and 3.10D. Overall, this study points that Ttn₁ is typical for sediments of CamA unit, while Ttn₂ is typically observed in sediments of CamB unit. Remarkably, any titanite with similar chemical properties to those of the Tacaza Group (Ttn₂ in yellow symbols) is lacking in the detrital minerals.

3.5. Discussion

3.5.1. The youngest zircon U-Pb age components: chronostratigraphic framework of the Camaná Formation

We use the youngest zircon U-Pb age components instead of the youngest U-Pb single-grain ages to define the sedimentation time because they offer a statistically meaningful way for determining the maximum age of deposition (von Eynatten and Dunkl, 2012). The results of the U-Pb geochronological dating of volcanogenic zircons within the CamA unit (subunits A2 and A3) yield ages between ~23 and ~14 Ma (Table 3.1 and Fig. 3.4) resembling the Early Miocene to early Middle Miocene. We consider these ages as relatively close to the stratigraphic age because zircon U-Pb ages of volcanic products that are derived from active volcanic setting closely resemble depositional ages (e.g. Bowring and Schmitz, 2003; von Eynatten and Dunkl, 2012). The sedimentation time suggested for these sub-units is at least ~9 My. Furthermore, sub-unit A2 ranges in age approximately 3 My duration of deposition (Aquitania) (see position of ages in Fig. 3.2).

The sedimentary facies of the Camaná Formation frequently show reworked ashes derived from some of the intermittent pyroclastic emissions of the ~30 to 3 Ma volcanism in southern Peru and northern Chile. However, there are no evidence of volcanism (e.g. ~30-24 Ma Tacaza volcanic arc or younger) within sediments of the basal part of the CamA unit (sub-unit A1) and thus no Cenozoic zircon or titanite U-Pb ages. We affirm that strata of sub-unit A1 are older than Miocene, based on stratigraphic relations with the overlying ~23-14 Ma tuff-bearing layers and paleontology (Late Oligocene fossil shark teeth in La Mina, Camaná, Apolín, 2001) (pink area in Fig. 3.11B). This possibility is further supported by stratigraphic correlations with ~30-25 strata of the contiguous Moquegua Group (sub-unit Moquegua C1 or "MoqC1" of Decou et al., 2011), where the argument is based on the relative abundance of pyroxenes and epidotes (see Section 3.5.4). Accordingly, the inferred age of the sub-unit A1 is most likely Late Oligocene.

Sedimentation of CamB unit consists of fluvial conglomerates with alternations of reworked ash. The ages assigned to CamB are late Middle to Late Miocene (between ~12 and ~7 Ma, Table 3.1

and Figs. 3.4F to 3.4G), and because the topmost part remains undated, it may extend to Pliocene. The volcanic products within the deposits of CamB are closely consistent to the ~10-3 Ma Lower Barroso volcanic arc (e.g. Mamani et al., 2010a, 2010b). However, younger age components of 8.7, 9.1, and 9.8 Ma were obtained using algorithms different to *Tuffzirc*. These ages, nonetheless, may suggest that the onset of CamB deposition would have begun relatively later, and can be related to a rapid cooling and onset of valley incision occurred at ~9 Ma in Western Cordillera and western Altiplano (~9 Ma, apatite [U-Th]/He data, Schildgen et al., 2007). In terms of sediment provenance, these ages still reflect the activity of the early stage of the Lower Barroso volcanic arc (Mamani et al., 2010a). Overall, the stratigraphic ages of the Camaná Formation are Late Oligocene to Late Miocene or Pliocene. Several ages similar to the ~24-10 Ma Huaylillas and the ~10-3 Ma Lower Barroso volcanism were broadly documented in southern Peru and northern Chile (e.g. in the Western Cordillera of the provinces of Moquegua and Tacna in southern Peru, in northernmost Chile, and minor proportions in the Altiplano of Arequipa (Mamani et al., 2010a; and references therein).

3.5.2. *The significance of brown/yellow and colorless/pale green titanites*

Brown/yellow titanite (Ttn₁) derives exclusively from granites of the San Nicolas Batholith (Fig. 3.8A), while colorless/pale green titanite (Ttn₂) occurs in gneisses of the Arequipa Massif and in diorites of the Coastal Batholith, the Toquepala Group, and the Tacaza Group (Fig. 3.8B). Frost et al. (2000) and Aleinikoff et al. (2002) proposed to differentiate types of titanite according to the color (brown/yellow and colorless/pale green). They suggested that brown/yellow titanites (our Ttn₁) show higher Fe, U, Ce, Nb, and REEs values, also higher Th/U, and Fe/Al ratios, and lower Al and Al₂O₃ values than colorless/pale green titanites (our Ttn₂). According to Frost et al. (2000) and Aleinikoff et al. (2002), titanites rich in Al that are formed in metamorphic rocks tend to have a lower refraction index and lower birefringence than those that have less Al content (igneous rocks), and darker titanites show higher content of Fe than titanites with light colors. Such statements agree with the statements of these authors, where titanites of the Tacaza Group (Ttn₂) show the highest ratios of Fe/Al. However, titanites of the San Nicolas Batholith (Ttn₁) still show higher Al, Fe, and lower U and Fe/Al values than most of Ttn₂. Ttn₁ shows higher refraction index and birefringence than Ttn₂ (Fig. 3.8). This may be explained in a possible later assimilation of REEs for the San Nicolas Batholith from the REE-rich Arequipa Massif. This study demonstrates moreover that Ttn₂ also occurs in igneous rocks (e.g. diorites of the Coastal Batholith), and not only in metamorphic rocks.

3.5.3. *Provenance model of the Camaná Formation*

We present a sedimentary provenance model based on integrating information from zircon and titanite U-Pb geochronology (Section 3.4.1), analyses of heavy mineral spectra in sediments of the Camaná Formation and source rocks (Section 4.2), and chemical analysis on parental and detrital titanites (Section 3.4.3). Within the Camaná Formation, we observe three different heavy mineral spectra grouped as (i) A1, (ii) A2 and lower A3, and (iii) upper A3 and CamB (Figs. 3.7 and 3.9). Consequently, we define two major shifts in sediment provenance within the Camaná Formation (Fig. 3.12).

The lowermost part of CamA unit (sub-unit A1) shows provenance mostly from the San Nicolas Batholith (Coastal Cordillera). This statement is inferred on the predominance of Ordovician and Silurian zircon and titanite U-Pb ages (see Fig. 3.5A). Chemical composition of detrital titanites supports that statement (Fig. 3.10). A minor contribution from the Arequipa Massif, the Coastal Batholith, the Tacaza Group, and the Mitu and/or Yura Groups from the hinterland Western Cordillera is also inferred on the presence of some characteristic heavy minerals, such as epidotes, pyroxenes, and colorless/pale green titanites. Accordingly, we interpret that during the Late Oligocene age only the San Nicolas Batholith was exposed to denudation, being the main provenance of this sub-unit. Minor source rocks are the Arequipa Massif (Western Cordillera), the Mitu and/or Yura Groups, the Coastal Batholith, and the Tacaza Group.

During the Early to Middle Miocene age, the Arequipa Massif of the Coastal Cordillera became additional source lithology for sub-units A2 and the lower part of A3, besides the San Nicolas Batholith (Figs. 3.5B to 3.5E). This is inferred on the striking contribution of garnets and sillimanites that are derived from the Arequipa Massif (see Fig. 3.6). Evidences of the widespread volcanism of the ~24-10 Ma Huaylillas volcanic arc are interspersed in these strata, and also form main source lithology. This input represents a "first" (although slight) shift in sediment provenance observed in the Camaná Formation (lower red line in Fig. 3.12), and may reflect continuation of uplifting of the Coastal Cordillera (see Section 3.5.5). Additionally, subordinate proportions of pyroxenes and amphiboles resemble provenance of the amphibole-rich Coastal Batholith (and/or Arequipa Massif of the Western Cordillera, Fig. 3.7) and pyroxene-bearing Tacaza Group, and a minor occurrence of rutiles might suggest provenance of either the Mitu and/or Yura Groups. Minor proportions of zircon U-Pb single-grain ages of ~150 and ~270 Ma also support this statement.

Sediments of upper A3 and CamB differ largely in heavy mineral composition from the sub-units A1, A2, and lower A3. According to our zircon U-Pb age components (~14 to ~7 Ma) these sediments are predominantly derived from the products of the final stage of the ~24-10 Ma Huaylillas volcanism (mainly as pyroclasts and reworked ashes) and the ~10-3 Ma Lower Barroso volcanic arc (pyroclasts, rhyolites, and andesites). Additionally, the occurrence of sediments derived from the Arequipa Massif of the Western Cordillera is interpreted on the base of abundant zircon U-Pb single-grain ages between ~1870 and ~950 Ma (Fig. 3.5F). Titanite chemistry supports this statement, reflecting composition similar to the Arequipa Massif (red open symbols in Fig. 3.10). Minor proportions of zircons single-grain U-Pb ages between ~240 and ~65 Ma, ~30 Ma, and titanite individual ages between ~85 Ma and ~34 Ma (blue lines in Fig. 3.4F) resembles the ages of the Coastal Batholith (and/or the Chocolate Formation), and the Tacaza Group.

There are no chemical signals of titanites derived from the Tacaza Group in these strata as observed in Fig. 3.10. Despite relative resistance of heavy minerals e.g. epidotes, staurolites, and titanites, they may disappear by weathering and/or burial dissolution (Morton and Hallsworth, 1999; Ando et al., 2012). In the case of the Camaná Formation, we consider that the burial depth of the Camaná Formation is shallow, and we attribute the lack of Ttn₂ derived from the Tacaza Group to a progressive corrosion triggered mostly by long transport and traction (>100 km away from Camaná, see site "a" in Fig. 3.1C). Heavy minerals i.e. pyroxenes and epidotes feature the composition of the uppermost CamA and CamB unit (samples CAM-11-22 and CAM-11-16 in Fig. 3.11A), and they are only observed in diorites of the Tacaza Group. According to Freise (1931), Thiel (1945), and Dietz (1973), titanite is more resistant to mechanical abrasion than pyroxene.

The reason of having abundant pyroxenes and absence of colorless/pale green titanites in these strata may be due to their differences in abundance, as seen in sample TAZ-00-03 in Fig. 3.6. Consequently, we can also consider the Tacaza Group as minor source rock. The contribution of rutiles and tourmalines derived from the Yura and/or Mitu Groups and the San Nicolas Batholith are very minor, and they are also considered as minor source rocks.

Overall, main source rocks for upper A3 and CamB are the Barroso volcanic arc and the Arequipa Massif of the Western Cordillera. Minor source rocks are the Tacaza Group, the Toquepala Group, the Coastal Batholith, the Mitu and/or Yura Groups, the Arequipa Massif of the Coastal Cordillera, and the San Nicolas Batholith. Collectively, sediments of the upper part of sub-unit A3 and CamB unit represent a second and drastic shift in the sediment provenance of the Camaná Formation since ~14 Ma. We consider this shift as intimately related to a pulse of tectonic uplift in the Western Cordillera (see Section 3.5.5).

The onset of the second major shift in provenance is not precisely consistent with the onset of CamB deposition; it is located in the upper part of the sub-unit A3 of CamA (Figs. 3.8 and 3.9). Nonetheless, it is largely consistent with local deposition of conglomerates (with pebbles derived from the Western Cordillera) that occurred first time in the upper part of the sub-unit A3 (cf. Alván and von Eynatten, 2014) (see upper red line in Fig. 3.12).

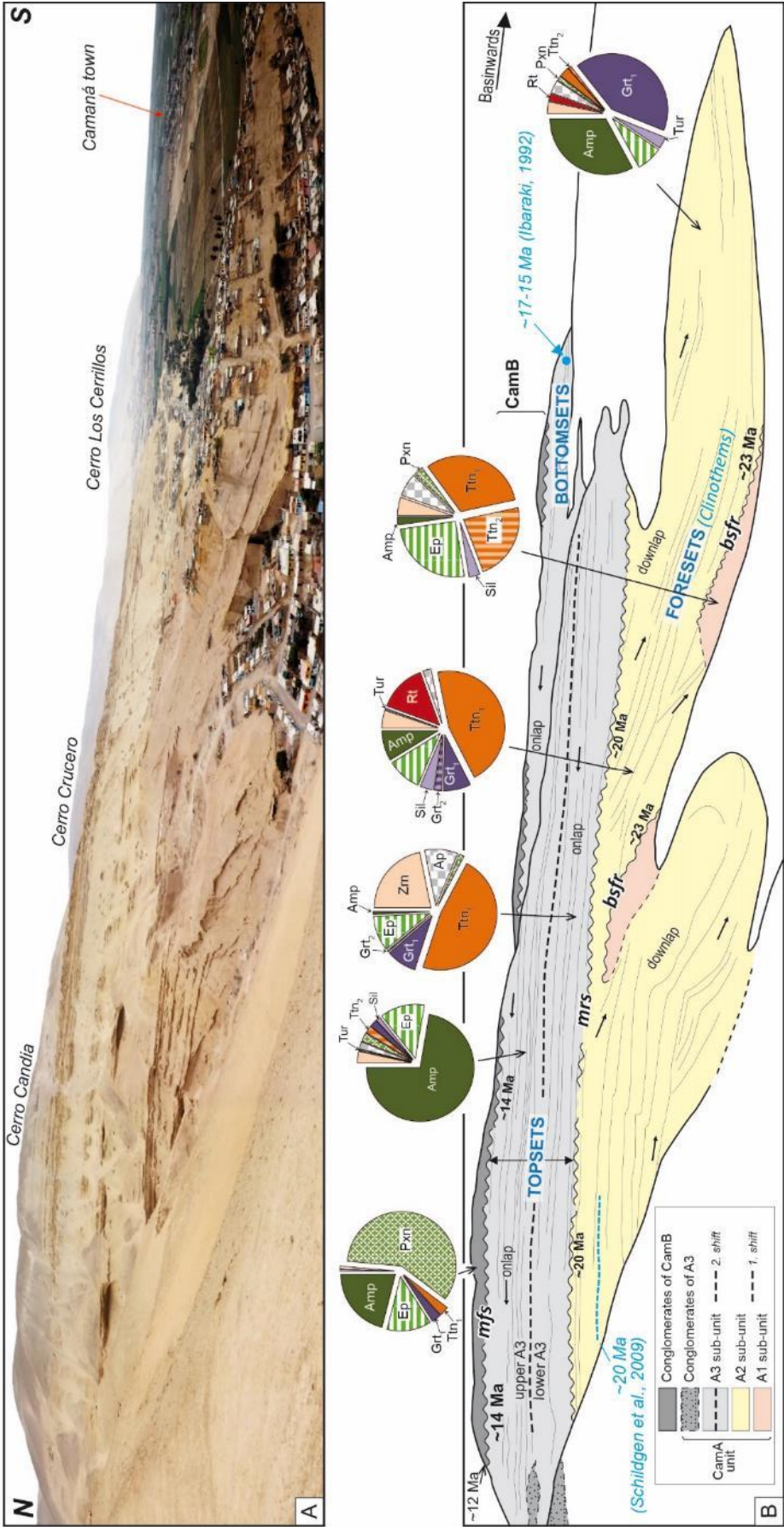


Fig. 3.11. In A: Representative exposures of the Camaná Formation (La Mina Section) (modified from Alván and von Eynatten, 2014). In B: Representative heavy minerals in the Camaná Formation. Ma ages in black words are extracted from Table 1, and ages in blue are previous works. See abbreviations of heavy minerals in Table 2.

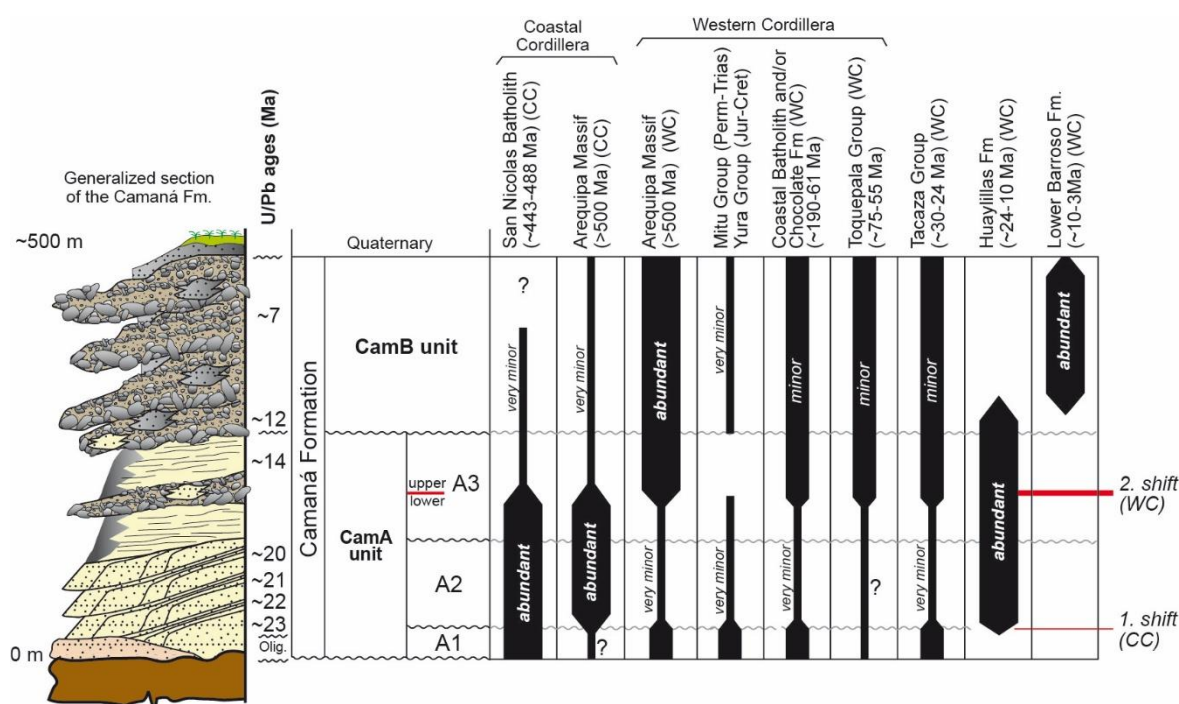


Fig. 3.12. Provenance model is based on heavy mineral assemblages, U-Pb geochronology on zircons and titanites, and LA-ICP-MS analysis on titanites. The thickness of the black bars refers to relative abundance of each source lithology within each sub-unit. Stratigraphic framework is proposed by Alván and von Eynatten (2014). WC = Western Cordillera, CC = Coastal Cordillera.

3.5.4. Correlation with the Moquegua Group

Decou et al. (2011) noted a significant change in mineral composition and sedimentary facies within the MoqC unit, allowing a tentative sub-division into the pyroclastic-poor MoqC1 (lowermost MoqC) and the tuff-rich MoqC2 sub-units (uppermost MoqC). According to these authors, the most abundant heavy minerals in this unit are pyroxenes, epidotes, and amphiboles (Table 3.3). Using zircon U-Pb geochronology, electron microprobe analysis (EMPA) on amphiboles, and zircon fission track data, Decou (2011) suggested moreover that sediments of MoqC1 are derived predominantly from magmatic rocks of the ~30-25 Ma Tacaza Group. Sub-unit MoqC2 reflects much stronger volcanic input and a predominant provenance from the ~24-10 Ma Huaylillas Formation.

The first chronostratigraphic equivalence of the Moquegua Group and the Camaná Formation is between CamA and MoqC units, with sub-unit A1 corresponding to ~30-25 sub-unit MoqC1 of Decou et al. (2011). This statement is based on the stratigraphic position of the sub-unit A1 under the dated ~23-14 Ma strata of sub-unit A2 and A3 of the Camaná Formation. Although main source rock of the sub-unit A1 is the San Nicolas Batholith, with additional heavy minerals similar to those observed in sediments of MoqC1 (i.e. pyroxenes of the Tacaza Group). (Table 3.3) Within the sub-units A2 and A3 of the Camaná Formation, the striking abundance of reworked ashes dated at ~23 to ~14 Ma, make them roughly equivalent to the ~25 to 15-10 Ma sub-unit MoqC2 of Decou et al. (2011). These ages are consistent with the emplacement of the widespread ignimbrite volcanism in the region (Huaylillas and Oxaya, Wörner et al., 2002; Thouret et al., 2007; Mamani et al., 2010).

Table 3.3. Summary of heavy mineral spectra of potential source rocks, the upper part of the Moquegua Group (MoqC and MoqD units), and the Camaná Formation. For heavy mineral abbreviations see Table 3.2. Symbols: xxx=abundant (≈ 75 -25%), xx=common (≈ 25 -15%), x=present (≈ 15 -1%), o=absent. Colored boxes highlight occurrences of key minerals for provenance analysis. (*) indicates samples analyzed firstly by Decou et al. (2011) and later refined in this study.

	Lithology	Zrn	Tur	Ap	Rt	Sil	Grt ₁	Grt ₂	Ttn ₁	Ttn ₂	Pxn	Ep	Amp ₁	Amp ₂
Potential source rocks	Lower Barroso arc(10-3 Ma) ignimbrite (*)	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	xx	o
	Lower Barroso arc(10-3 Ma) andesites, dacites (*)	o	o	x	o	o	o	o	o	o	xxx	o	o	o
	Huayllillas arc (24-10 Ma) ignimbrites (*)	x-xx	o	x-xx	o-x	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	xx-xxx	o
	Huayllillas arc (24-10 Ma) andesites (*)	o	o	x	o	o	o	o	o	o	xxx	o	o	o
	Tacaza arc (30-24 Ma) andesites (*)	o	o	xx	o	o	o	o	o	o	xxx	o	o	o
	Tacaza arc (30-24 Ma) diorites	o	o	o	o-x	o	o	o	o	x	xx-xxx	xxx	o	xxx
	Anta arc (45-30 Ma) andesites, diorites (*)	x	o	o-xx	o	o	o	o	o	o	xxx	o	o-x	o
	Toquepala arc (91-45) rhyolite	x	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	xx
	Toquepala arc (91-45) plutonics (*)	o-x	o	x-xx	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	xx-xxx
	Coastal Batholith (190-60) plutonics	o-x	o	x	o	o	o	o	o	x	x	x	xxx	x
	Yura Group (Jurassic-Cretaceous)	xxx	xx	x	xx-xxx	o	o	o	o	o	o-x	x	o	o-x
	Mitu Group (Permian-Triassic)	xxx	xx	x	xx-xxx	o	x	o	o	o	o-x	x	o	o-x
	San Nicolas Batholith (Silurian-Ordovician)	x	o	x	o	o	o-x	o	xxx	o	o	x	o	x
	Arequipa Massif (Proterozoic) gneiss	xx	o	x-xx	o-x	o	o	x-xx	o	x	o	xx-xxx	o	xx-xxx
	Arequipa Massif (Proterozoic) granulites	xx	x	o-x	o	x	xxx	o	o	x	x	x	o	x
	Arequipa Massif (Proterozoic) amphibolites (*)	xx	o	xx	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	xx-xxx
Moquegua Group (*)	MoqD	o-x	o	x	o-x	x	o	xx	o	x	xxx	xxx	x-xx	xx-xxx
	MoqC2	xx	o-x	x	o-x	o	o-x	o-x	o	o-x	xx-xxx	xx-xxx	x-xx	o-x
	MoqC1	x-xx	o	xx	x	o	o-x	o-xxx	o	o-x	x-xxx	xx-xxx	o-x	x-xx
Camaná Formation	CamB	x	o-x	x	o-x	o-x	x	o	o	x	xxx	xxx	xx	xxx
	upper A3	x	o-x	x	o	x	x	o	o	x	x	x	xx	xxx
	lower A3	xx	o-x	x	o	o-x	x	o	xxx	o	o-x	x	o	o-x
	A2	xx	o-x	x	xx	x	x-xxx	x-xxx	xxx	o-x	o-x	xx	o-x	x-xxx
	A1	x	o-x	xx	o-x	o-x	o-x	o	xxx	xx	xx	xx	o	x

The next equivalence is proposed between CamB and MoqD units. The depositional age of MoqD is roughly constrained as 15-10 to ~ 4 Ma (Sempere et al., 2004; Decou et al., 2011). The age of CamB is well-defined between ~ 12 and ~ 7 Ma, and may be even extend to the Pliocene. A correlation between CamB and MoqD may suggest that sedimentation of both started at ~ 12 Ma. This age is slightly older than the onset of the Lower Barroso volcanism, the products of which are widespread within conglomerates of CamB. A predominance of pyroxenes and amphiboles in both MoqD and CamB illustrates as well additional common provenance from the Tacaza Group, the Huayllillas Formation, and the Toquepala Group.

3.5.5. Geodynamic evolution of the southern Peruvian forearc

Based on thermochronological data (apatite [U-Th]/He data), Wipf (2006) suggested that Proterozoic rocks of the Coastal Cordillera in southern Peru have experimented slow cooling until Late Cretaceous, followed by a period of quiescence until Late Miocene. Conversely, Oncken et al. (2006) suggested that this part of the Central Andes experienced more or less continuous shortening and uplift since at least Late Eocene. We support the latter statement and place further constraints on the geodynamic history of this part of the Central Andes by our provenance study. We have inferred the age of the sub-unit A1 as Late Oligocene; accordingly, we suggest that the uplift and exhumation of the Coastal Cordillera might have occurred since that time.

The onset of deposition of the sub-unit A1 is roughly consistent with some remarking points. These include (i) a striking change in sediment provenance estimated at ~ 30 Ma at the latest within the Moquegua Group (Decou et al., 2013), (ii) onset of major phase of shortening and thickening of the upper crust during flat-slab subduction (~ 30 Ma, Mahlburg-Kay, 2005; Haschke et al., 2006), and (iii) waning of tectonic rotations along the south Peru margin (Roperch et al., 2006). Such important geodynamic events are reflected in the composition of the relevant sedimentary units or sub-units of the Camaná Formation. In Early Miocene, the onset of widespread volcanism i.e. Huayllillas marks the beginning of renewed steeping of the slab and westward arc migration (Mamani et al., 2010). We relate this setting to deposition of sub-units A2 and A3. Uplift of the Coastal Cordillera was accompanied by simultaneous uplift of the Western Cordillera.

From ~25 Ma until present day, uplift of the western flank of the Western Cordillera is estimated at 2.3-1.8 km (Thouret et al., 2007; Schildgen et al., 2009a) and strongly influenced the deposition of MoqC and MoqD units (Decou et al. 2013).

Despite uplift of the Coastal Cordillera and consequent separation of the Camaná and the Moquegua Basins occurred since at least ~30 Ma (Fig 3.1B), sediments derived from the Western Cordillera are present in minor proportions in deposits of the Camaná Formation suggesting connectivity between both of the basins.

At ca. 12 to 10 Ma, low convergence rates and obliquity in the Central Andes (Pardo-Casas and Molnar, 1987; Somoza, 1998) mark the onset of the widespread volcanism of the Lower Barroso arc (Mamani et al., 2010). This is consistent with the onset of well-documented Late Miocene valley incision of the hinterland (Western Cordillera), which is inferred to reflect Late Miocene rapid uplift of the Western Cordillera (e.g. Gregory-Wodzicki, 2000; Schildgen et al., 2007, 2009; Thouret et al., 2002, 2007; Garziona et al., 2008).

The onset of Lower Barroso volcanism and valley incision is also consistent with a marked change in depositional style and facies in the Moquegua and Camaná basins i.e. the onset of MoqD and CamB units, respectively. This change coincides with major shift in sediment provenance of the Camaná Formation (upper red line in Fig. 3.12) which now indicates major provenance from the Western Cordillera. Consequently, if sediments similar to the MoqD unit extended into the Camaná Basin (as CamB unit), it suggests that the uplift rate of the Coastal Cordillera decreased, as compared to the Western Cordillera, and the influence of the Coastal Cordillera on sedimentation in the Camaná Basin strongly diminished.

A rough estimation of the uplift of the Coastal Cordillera since ~12 Ma is based on the fact that the basal strata of CamB unit were deposited very close to sea-level (Alván and von Eynatten, 2014). At present day, these deposits are located at ~500 m above sea level. Consequently, uplift of the Coastal Cordillera since ~12 Ma is about 0.5 km. The uplift of the Western Cordillera is inferred to be much higher and has triggered incision of 2.4 to 3 km in the deepest reaches (Cotahuasi Valley) starting after ~11 Ma (Schildgen et al., 2009). Therefore, these estimates support that uplift of the Western Cordillera over-exceeded uplift of the Coastal Cordillera since about 14-12 Ma.

Summarizing, our statements suggest that since about Late Oligocene (Chattian) to Middle Miocene (Langhian) the Western and Coastal Cordilleras have experimented roughly similar uplift (Figs. 3.13A and 3.13B), while during Middle Miocene (Serravalian) to Pliocene the uplift of the Western Cordillera clearly exceeded the uplift of the Coastal Cordillera (Fig. 3.13C).

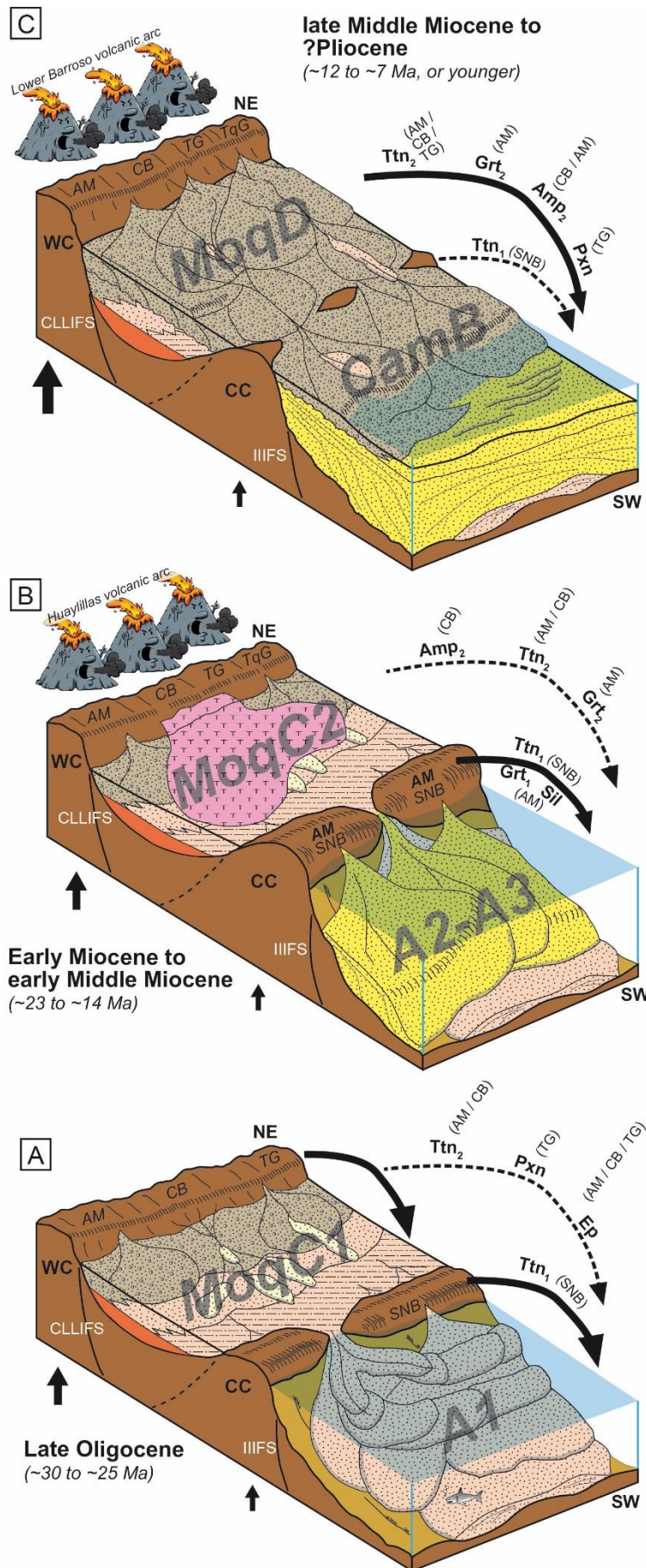


Fig. 3.13. Evolutionary model of the Camaná Formation in Camaná. Not to scale. A: Deposition of A1 of CamA unit. A1 consists of mouth bars and distributary channels (Late Oligocene, or likely older). B: Deposition of A2+A3 of CamA. A2+A3 consists of prograding clinothems and onlapping deposits, respectively (Early Miocene to early Middle Miocene). C: Deposition of CamB. CamB unit consists of fluvial conglomerates (late middle Miocene to Pliocene). Abbreviations: AM = Arequipa Massif, CB = Coastal Batholith, TG = Tacaza Group, TqG = Toquepala Group, WC = Western Cordillera, CC = Coastal Cordillera. Heavy minerals: Zrn = zircon, Tur = tourmaline, Rt = rutile, Ap = apatite, Pxn = pyroxene, Ttn₁ = brown/yellow titanite, Ttn₂ = colorless/pale green titanite, Grt₁ = pink garnet, Grt₂ = colorless/pale green garnet, Sil = sillimanite, Ep = epidote, Amp₁ = fresh amphibole, and Amp₂ = altered amphibole. Black continuous arrows indicate main provenance. Black dotted arrows indicate minor provenance.

3.6. Conclusions

- 3.6.1. U-Pb geochronology on volcanic zircons and titanites allows for defining the sedimentation age of the Camaná Formation. The CamA unit of the Camaná Formation is considered as chronologic equivalent to the MoqC unit of the Moquegua Group. Further correlations are proposed among their respective sub-units. Deposition of sub-unit A1 can be assigned to the Late Oligocene based on biostratigraphic evidence as well as lithostratigraphic and petrographic correlations with the ~30-25 Ma MoqC1 sub-unit of the Moquegua Group. The youngest zircon U-Pb age components are 23.0 ± 0.4 Ma and 21.7 ± 1.3 Ma at the base of sub-unit A2, 20.0 ± 0.6 Ma at the top of the sub-unit A2, and 13.6 ± 0.4 Ma at the top of sub-unit A3. These ages closely resemble the depositional age of the tuff and ignimbrite-rich MoqC2 sub-unit according to Decou et al. (2011). Sub-units A2 and A3 of CamA thus span the Early Miocene (Aquitania) to Middle Miocene (Langhian) (~14 My). The CamB unit is dated at 12.4 ± 0.3 Ma at the base, and 7.5 ± 0.4 Ma near the presently-exposed top by considering the youngest zircon U-Pb age components derived of reworked ashes. Sedimentation of CamB unit may have continued after ~7 Ma. Hence, sedimentation of CamB unit is assigned to the Middle Miocene (Serravalian) to Late Miocene (Messinian), and may extend to the Pliocene. This makes CamB unit chronostratigraphically equivalent to the MoqD unit of Moquegua Group. Given further similarities in facies, conglomerate clast composition and heavy mineral analysis, we conclude that deposition of MoqD unit extended into the Camana Basin as CamB unit (here termed CamB unit).
- 3.6.2. The Camana Basin fill was largely controlled by uplift of the Coastal Cordillera and the Western Cordillera, which occurred differentially with respect to time and rates of uplift. This conclusion is mainly based on the proposed provenance model for the sediments forming the CamA and CamB units of the Camaná Formation (Figs. 3.12 and 3.13). The heavy mineral spectra of the Camana Formation reveal that sediments of CamA unit are predominantly derived from the San Nicolas Batholith of the Coastal Cordillera. The addition of sediments derived from the Arequipa Massif of the Coastal Cordillera and contribution of the widespread ~24 to 10 Ma-old Huaylillas volcanism to deposition of sub-units A2 and lower A3 signals a first, although slight, shift in provenance (lower red line in Fig. 3.12). Within CamA unit, minor proportions of heavy minerals derived from rocks forming the Western Cordillera (i.e. Arequipa Massif of the Western Cordillera, Coastal Batholith, and Tacaza Group) suggest minor sediment contribution from the Western Cordillera. Sediments of the uppermost part of sub-unit A3 and CamB unit are largely derived from the latest stage of the ~24 to 10 Ma-old Huaylillas volcanism, the widespread ~10 to 3 Ma-old Lower Barroso volcanism, and the Arequipa Massif (of the Western Cordillera). This second shift in provenance is very prominent in the Camana Formation (upper red line in Fig. 3.12). It separates two main geodynamic scenarios for the southern Peruvian forearc:
- (i) Since ~30 to ~14 Ma, the Coastal Cordillera was uplifted and has controlled deposition of CamA unit. During this uplift, material derived from the Arequipa Massif of the Coastal Cordillera was progressively added to the dominant sources of the San Nicolas Batholith. Since ~24 Ma volcanic material was also added (Huaylillas). Uplift and exhumation occurred most likely by means of transcurrent motions along the Ica-Ilo-Islay Faults System (Fig. 3.13B).
 - (ii) From ~14 to 12 Ma to <7 Ma (possibly until the Early Pliocene), uplift of the Western Cordillera strongly exceeded uplift of the Coastal Cordillera. Consequently, sedimentation of the uppermost sub-unit A3 and CamB unit are strongly controlled by uplift of the Western Cordillera (Fig. 3.13C). The timing of accelerated uplift in the Western Cordillera at ~14 to 12 Ma is corroborated

by the slightly later onset of the major incision in the Western Cordillera and the forearc, as demonstrated by Thouret et al. (2007), Schildgen et al. (2007, 2009b), Garzzone et al. (2008), and the onset of the Lower Barroso volcanism at ~10 Ma (Mamani et al., 2010a).

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Chapter 4:

Tectonic controls on the Cenozoic Moquegua and Camaná Basin fills (southern Peruvian forearc) based on sediment provenance and facies analysis

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Abstract

The forearc of southern Peru comprises two active-margin sedimentary basins of Cenozoic age. They are ~NW-SE elongated basins; being one located in an internal position called the Moquegua Basin, and the other located in an external position termed Camaná Basin. The Moquegua Group and the Camaná Formation constitute the sedimentary filling for each basin. Recent progresses in defining a consistent chronostratigraphic framework for the Camaná Formation suggest a division of two units (i) CamA unit, ~30 to ~14 Ma and (ii) CamB unit, ~12 to ~4 Ma). These units are equivalent in chronology to their sedimentary counterparts in the Moquegua Basin (i.e. MoqC unit: ~30 to ~15-10 Ma, and MoqD unit: ~15-10 to ~4 Ma). Although the Coastal Cordillera separates the Moquegua Group and Camaná Formation, they both share some similarities in sediment provenance. Such relationships are useful to unravel the complex relationships between geodynamics and depositional systems that operated in southern Peruvian forearc.

Our revision reveals that fluvial, lacustrine, and in minor proportion, marine deposits of MoqC unit in the Moquegua Basin represent a *"balanced-fill fluvio-lacustrine basin"*. This concept indicates that influx of sediments and water closely equaled accommodation space of the Moquegua Basin. Minor proportions of sediments and water from deposition of the MoqC unit periodically overflowed the Moquegua Basin and drained onto the Camaná Basin, as studies on provenance proves. Since Late Miocene age, deposition of MoqD unit exceeded accommodation space of the Moquegua Basin and have prograded onto the Camaná Basin as CamB unit, overpassing the Coastal Cordillera. We consider this type of depositional setting representative of an *"overfilled fluvio-lacustrine basin"*.

According to recent studies, tectonics is the main factor on Cenozoic deposition in southern Peruvian forearc. Accordingly, this study presents rough estimations on uplift of the Western Cordillera and the Coastal Cordillera to complete the geodynamic scenario. By constraining thermochronological data and sedimentary proxies, the Coastal Cordillera uplifted <1.5 km between ~30 and ~14 Ma and triggered deposition of coarse-grained deltas (CamA unit). Simultaneously, fluvial deposition and minor overflowing of MoqC occurred due to uplift of the Western Cordillera. Around Late Miocene, the Western Cordillera has uplifted again, however drastically, and triggered protracted deposition of MoqD (and CamB), while the Coastal Cordillera experimented minor uplift (~0.5 km).

Provenance studies demonstrate that the MoqC and CamA units were incipiently connected, and the MoqD and CamB units consisted of a unique deposition. The most adequate geodynamic setting that explains these depositional styles consist of wrench-type displacements with sinistral and transtensional components along the Western Cordillera and the Coastal Cordillera. Simultaneously,

creation of shear-related accommodation space occurred in the Pacific Piedmont and possibly in the external forearc.

Keywords: Sediment Provenance, Central Andes, Moquegua basin, Camaná Basin, Geodynamics

4.1. Introduction

In general, lakes represent sensitive depositional environments, which respond immediately and markedly to various kinds of changes in their drainage area (Kelts, 2000). For instance, climatic factors that influence precipitation or glacial melting, and/or tectonic factors that influence uplift and/or subsidence, and thus, hydrological drainage barriers appear (e.g. Hutchinson, 1957; Einsele, 2000). However, in tectonically active settings such “tectonic lake basins” (e.g. intermontane basins, broad crustal warps, or foreland deeps), responses are largely due to geodynamics (Kelts, 1988). Lacustrine facies can record a wide range of cyclic and episodic phenomena (e.g. base-level fluctuations, uplift of basin borders), which are expected to explain the relative balance between potential accommodation space, sediment supply and water filling (e.g. Carroll and Bohacs, 1999; Einsele, 2000). Similarly, motions at basin margins control sedimentary facies of marine deposits like coarse-grained deltas (McPherson et al., 1987). Accordingly, deltaic facies can also signal the relationships between subsidence/uplift and local to regional base level (Bouma, 2000).

In tectonically active settings, the sedimentary record is an excellent archive to unravel the nature of tectonic processes, and their relative and absolute timing (e.g. von Eynatten and Gaupp, 1999; von Eynatten and Wijbrans, 2003). In southern Peru, these archives are the fluvio-lacustrine Moquegua Group in the internal forearc Moquegua Basin (Steinmann, 1930; Pecho and Morales, 1969; Marocco, 1984; Marocco et al., 1985) and the fluvio-deltaic Camaná Formation (Rivera, 1950; Pecho and Morales, 1969) in the external forearc Camaná-Mollendo Basin (Fig. 4.1). Both Moquegua Group and Camaná Formation consist of Cenozoic sediments related to tectonic processes (Huamán, 1985; Marocco and Noblet, 1990; Decou et al., 2011; Alván and von Eynatten, 2014). Geodynamic processes for each basin fill were defined consistently by using sediment provenance studies, and they represent differential and complex geodynamic behavior in forearc (Decou et al., 2011, 2013; Wotzlaw et al., 2011; Alván et al., 2015). However, consistent arguments that explain relationships between the Moquegua and the Camaná Basin fills are still lacking.

The aim of this paper is to review the sedimentary facies of the upper part of the Moquegua Group (MoqC and MoqD units, Sempere et al., 2004) and compare them to the Camaná Formation under terms of sedimentary genetics (e.g. Carroll and Bohacs, 1999). Here we use the term “genetics” because we consider relevant to highlight the most prominent stratigraphic and sedimentary features of a basin fill. Recent improvements in provenance analysis of the Camaná Formation (Alván et al., 2015) allow for formulating consistent chronological and genetic correlations with the upper part of the Moquegua Group (MoqC and MoqD units, Sempere et al., 2004; Roperch et al., 2006; Decou et al., 2011; 2013) (Fig. 4.2).

We demonstrate that data on sediment provenance along with improved chrono-stratigraphy serve as valuable tool for geodynamic reconstructions. This integration provides consistent arguments to define uplift and exhumational processes and sediment dispersal in southern Peruvian forearc, as documented with success in several parts of the Central Andes (e.g. Northern Andes, Bande et al., 2011; and Central Andes, Scheuber et al., 2006; Wotzlaw et al., 2011; Moreno et al., 2011; Decou et al., 2011, 2013).

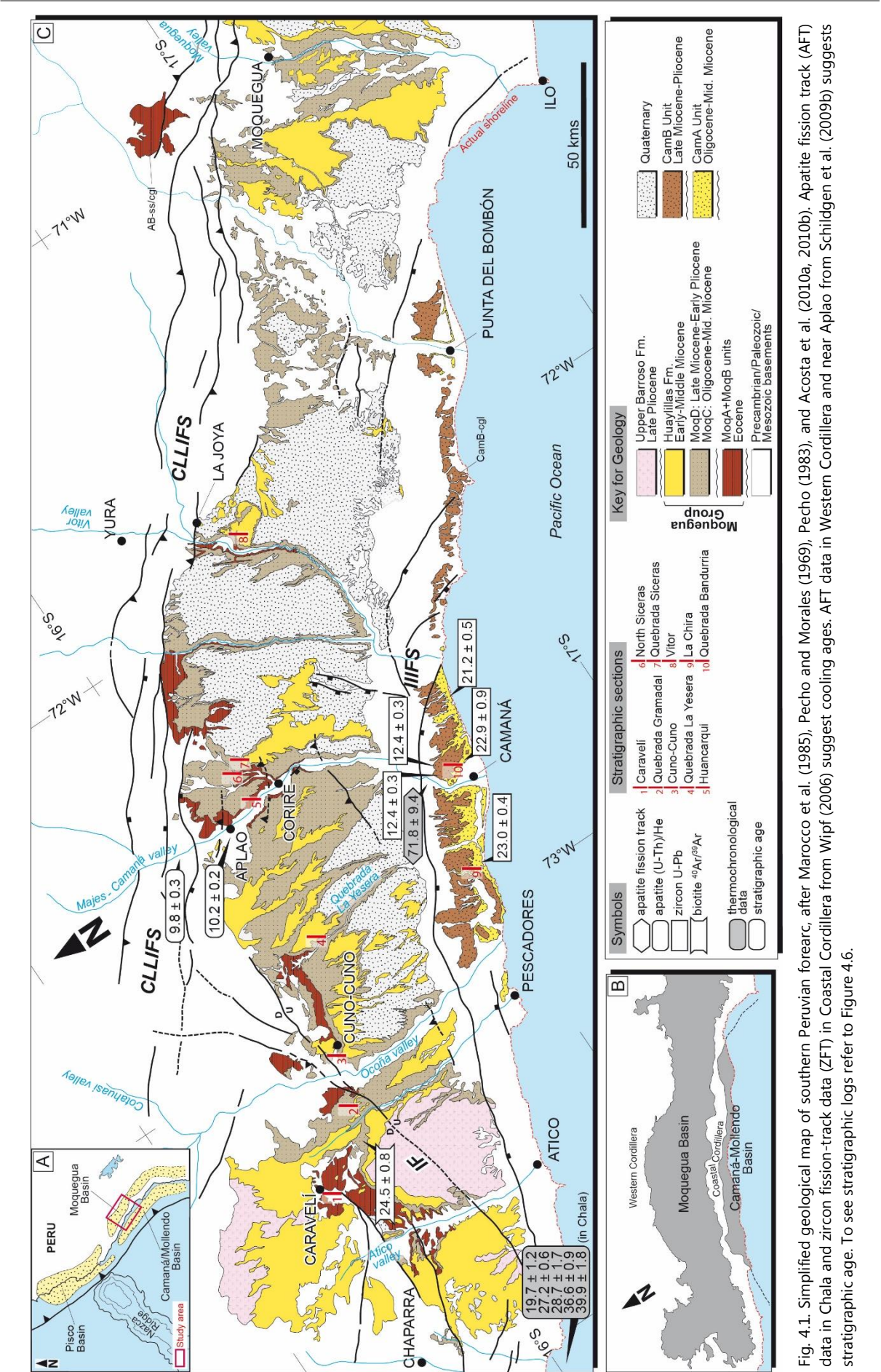


Fig. 4.1. Simplified geological map of southern Peruvian forearc, after Marocco et al. (1985), Pecho and Morales (1969), Pecho (1983), and Acosta et al. (2010a, 2010b). Apatite fission track (AFT) data in Chala and zircon fission-track data (ZFT) in Coastal Cordillera from Wipf (2006) suggest cooling ages. AFT data in Western Cordillera and near Aplao from Schildgen et al. (2009b) suggests stratigraphic age. To see stratigraphic logs refer to Figure 4.6.

4.2. Geological setting of southern Peru

The evolution of the present-day mountain chain of the Central Andes involves consecutive pulses of rapid uplift as response to shortening and thickening of the upper crust over the past 50 Ma (e.g. Isacks, 1988; Oncken et al., 2006). One of the major pulses of shortening and thickening occurred at around 30 Ma (Mahlburg-Kay et al., 1999, 2005) and it is attributed to a decrease in the angle of subduction (flat-slab stage; Isacks, 1988; Allmendinger et al., 1997; James and Sacks, 1999; Sobolev and Babeyko, 2005; Haschke et al., 2006). Another significant pulse of shortening and thickening resulted in significant uplift at around Late Miocene (Thouret et al., 2007; Schildgen et al., 2007; Garzzone et al., 2008) and it is related to a re-steepening of the slab (Haschke et al., 2006). According to Oncken et al. (2006) and Roperch et al. (2006), stages of shortening and crustal thickening in southern Peru commonly occurred in association to counterclockwise tectonic rotations in the upper crust. Furthermore, according to these authors there is a close relationship between such deformations and the actual ~NW-SE trending for most of the rocks in southern Peru (e.g. Coastal Cordillera and Western Cordillera) (see Section 4.5 for further details).

For instance, Proterozoic, Paleozoic, Mesozoic, and Cenozoic rocks crop out following ~NW-SE striking arrangements (Cobbing et al., 1977; Palacios, 1995), which are consistent with the alignment of the main geomorphologic domains in southern Peru, i.e. the Western Cordillera (WC) and the Coastal Cordillera (CC) (Macharé et al., 1986; Palacios and Chacón, 1989; Palacios et al., 1983). These both Cordilleras are intensely affected by groups of faults with similar structural behavior.

The most prominent group of faults (or faults systems according to Carlotto et al., 2009) occurs along the WC, i.e. the Cincha-LLuta-Incapuquio Faults System (CLLIFS) and along the CC, i.e. the Ica-Islay-Ilo Faults System (IIIFS) (Vargas, 1970; Vicente, 1989; Jacay et al., 2002; Sempere et al., 2002; Acosta et al., 2010a) (black lines in Fig. 4.1B). Lithologically, both of the WC and the CC consist of Proterozoic rocks of the Arequipa Massif. However, Proterozoic rocks of the WC are featured by aluminous migmatites, amphibolites, and epidote-rich gneisses (Pecho and Morales, 1969; Cobbing and Pitcher, 1972; Shackleton et al., 1979), while most of Proterozoic rocks of the CC contain granulites and garnet/sillimanite-bearing gneisses (Martignole and Martelat, 2003; Lowey et al., 2004; Chew et al., 2008).

Paleozoic rocks are igneous and sedimentary in Coastal Cordillera of southern Peru (Palacios, 1995). Igneous rocks crop out only between the towns of Camaná and Atico, and consist of calc-alkaline red granites and syenogranites of the Ordovician-Silurian San Nicolas Batholith (Bellido, 1969; Cobbing and Pitcher, 1972; Cobbing et al., 1977b; Mukasa and Henry, 1990). Paleozoic sedimentary rocks consist of siltstones and quartzarenites of the Ambo and Mitu Groups, respectively (Pecho and Morales, 1969). These rocks crop out only to the north of Camaná town and near Atico. Jurassic rocks consist of quartzarenites and minor limestones (Yura Group, Jenks, 1945; Benavides, 1962; Vicente, 1981). These rocks crop out along the WC and they are in fault-contact with distinct suites of voluminous calc-alkaline plutons, i.e. diorites, granodiorites, monzodiorites, and volcanic rocks (andesite and rhyolite) of the Coastal Batholith (Cobbing et al., 1977; Mukasa, 1986; Boily et al., 1989). The Coastal Batholith has intruded the Arequipa Massif and the Yura Group as multi-episodic magmatism, which lasted from the Early Jurassic to Paleocene (Mamani et al., 2010a).

Few studies on thermochronology in rocks of the Arequipa Massif of the CC have provided insights on its evolution. For instance, Wipf (2006) stated that the CC in the area of Camaná cooled below apatite fission track (AFT) closure temperature ($T_c=90-120^\circ\text{C}$, Laslett et al., 1987; Ketcham et al., 1999) in latest Cretaceous time (~72 Ma). According to this author, after this age followed a stage of quiescence until a possible drastic exhumation at ~10 Ma. Nonetheless, with the given history of continuous deformation in southern Peru, we consider that uplift occurred since latest Cretaceous until present, with some stages of quiescence (e.g. Haschke et al., 2006). Overall, these rocks acted as basement for most of the Cenozoic sedimentary basins in southern Peru (e.g. Moquegua and Camaná, PERUPETRO, 2003) (Fig. 4.1A).

The most consistent evidences of uplift of the Central Andes are widely reflected on the sedimentary stackings in the forearc and the Altiplano (AP) (e.g. Sébrier et al., 1984; Oncken et al.,

2006; Decou et al., 2011, 2013). For instance, the Moquegua Group in the Pacific Piedmont (or internal forearc) and the Camaná Formation in the external forearc (see Figs. 4.1B and 4.2).

4.2.1. Cenozoic basins in the forearc

The Coastal Cordillera separates the Moquegua Group and the Camaná Formation (Sebrier et al., 1984). The Moquegua Group is located within the internal forearc, while the Camaná Formation in the external forearc (Macharé et al., 1986). According to Decou et al. (2011, 2013), sedimentary deposits of the upper part of the Moquegua Group (MoqC and MoqD units) are denudation products of the rocks forming the AP and the WC. Additionally, the widespread volcanic emissions of the ~24-10 Ma Huaylillas and the ~10-4 Ma Lower Barroso volcanic arcs blanket the forearc and interspersed with continental and marine sedimentation. West of the CC, sedimentary deposits of the Camaná Formation derived from the denudation of the rocks forming the CC and WC plus the same volcanic products (Alván et al., 2015) (Fig. 4.2).

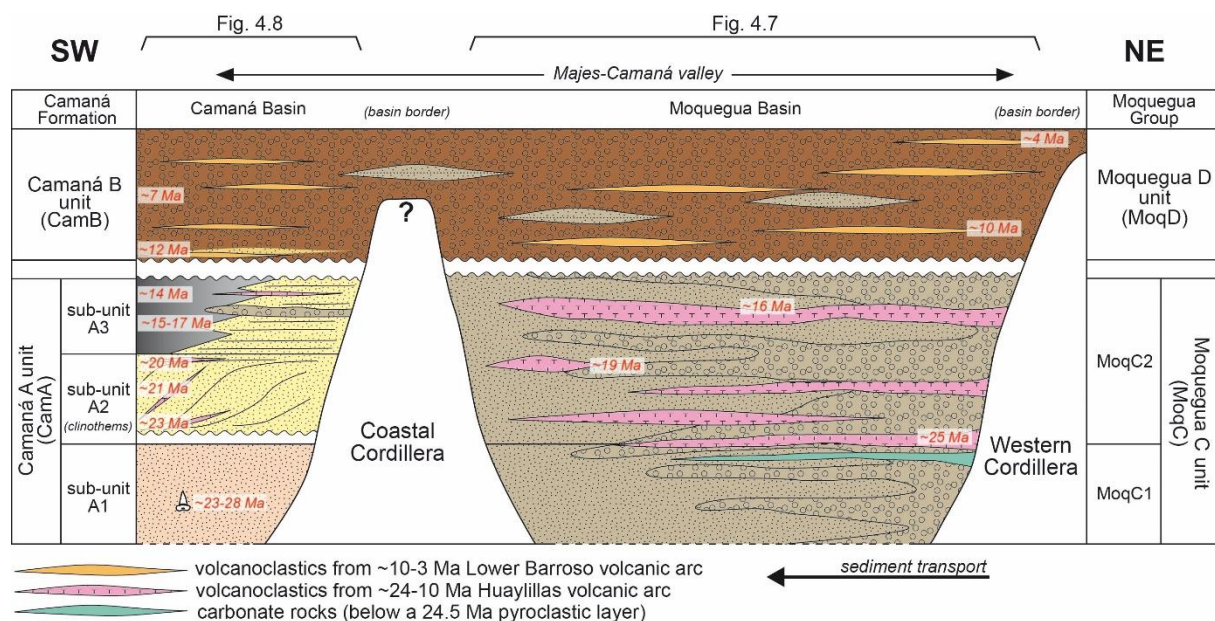


Fig. 4.2. Cenozoic stratigraphy and sediment provenance in forearc. Bold and italic letters indicate major provenance, small and regular letters indicate minor provenance. Stratigraphic ages (red numbers) after Sempere et al. (2004), Decou et al. (2011), and Alván et al. (2015). For more detail in provenance, see Fig. 4.7.

The best exposures of the Moquegua Group crop out along the Ocoña and Majes Valleys in the PP, allowing the division of four members according to Sempere et al. (2004) (MoqA, MoqB, MoqC, and MoqD units). Major unconformities and numerous radiometric ages support this division (e.g. Decou et al., 2013) (Fig. 4.2). MoqA unit (~50 to ~40 Ma) consists of lacustrine reddish siltstones and sandstones, with gypsum mostly in the northern area of the basin (e.g. between Aplao and Corire). MoqB unit (~40 to ~30 Ma) also presents dominantly reddish sandstones to siltstones, however in its lower part, and become conglomeratic upsection. With a marked contrast in relation to the previous units, MoqC unit (~30 to ~15-10 Ma) shows coarse-grained clastic deposits of fluvio-lacustrine environments, which are intercalated with minor carbonate layers. Intermittent deposition of tuffaceous beds occurs dominantly in the upper part of this unit, and leads a distinction between the pyroclastic poor MoqC1 sub-unit and the highly pyroclastic MoqC2 sub-unit (Decou et al., 2011). Tosdal (1981) and Marocco et al. (1985) formerly considered pyroclastic deposits of sub-unit MoqC2 as Huaylillas Formation. The ~15-10 to ~4 Ma MoqD unit consists of fluvial conglomerates (Sempere et al., 2004). These authors renamed this unit as MoqD unit to group the Millo Formation (Vargas, 1970) and Lower Barroso Formation (Wilson and García, 1962), because these lithological units appears

intermingled. Main thicknesses of the MoqC and MoqD units are located in the northern part of the Moquegua Basin and between La Yesera and Corire (see isopach map in Fig. 4.3).

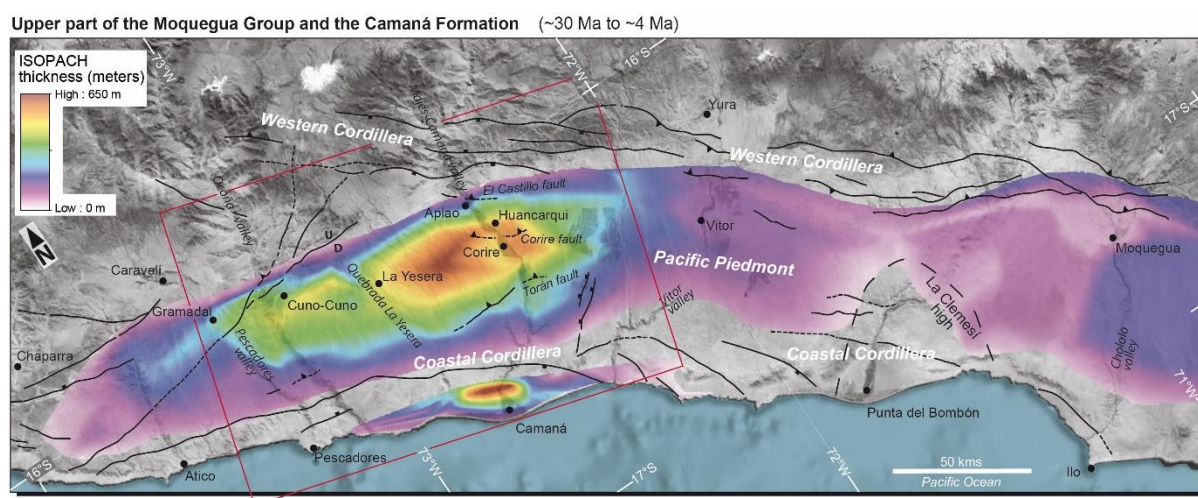


Fig. 4.3. Isopach map of the MoqC-MoqD units and the Camaná Formation in southern Peruvian forearc. Numerous stratigraphic sections and referential points support data on stratigraphic thickness. Data is displayed using TIN tool (ArcGIS v.10). Red box indicates the study area.

On the other hand, the Camaná Formation consists of shallow marine coarse-grained deltas and fluvial deposits (Alván and von Eynatten, 2014). Based on facies analysis, the Camaná Formation was divided into two major depositional units, CamA and CamB, where CamA is further sub-divided into sub-units A1, A2, and A3 (Alván and von Eynatten, 2014) (Fig. 4.2A). The CamA unit consists of coarse-grained deltas deposited between ~30 and ~14 Ma, and the CamB unit consists of fluvial deposits deposited between ~12 and ~4 Ma (Alván et al., 2014). Major thickness of the Camaná Formation is located in the near of Camaná town (see isopach map in Fig. 4.3). Chronology of the Camaná Formation and its counterpart in the Moquegua Group (MoqC and MoqD units) are constrained by zircon U-Pb youngest age components of reworked volcanic ashes (Alván et al., 2015). Accordingly, the chronologic equivalence of both lithological units is between (i) MoqC and CamA units, and (ii) MoqD and CamB units (see Fig. 4.2).

4.3. Lakes, terminology, and lacustrine sedimentary facies associations

According to Kelts (1988), the essential conditions for the existence of a lake are simply a depression and hydrological balance (input-output) that is adequate to support surface water. In order to interpret the record of ancient lacustrine basins, it is essential to view them in their correct palaeogeographic and tectonic setting, and simplify some of the complexities of lacustrine systems with models that are based on modern lake studies (e.g. Kelts, 1988; Carroll and Bohacs, 1999).

Traditionally, depending on the balance of input-output, a lake can be considered hydrologically open and closed (Hutchinson, 1957). According to this author, a hydrologically open lake (or exorheic) is the process when precipitation and outflows of water and sediments occur, and in minor proportion, evaporation (e.g. Titicaca lake, Kelts, 1988; Fritz et al., 2007). Conversely, a hydrologically closed lake (or endorheic) is the process when evaporation is higher than in an open lake and no water flows out. According to Hutchinson (1957), a further classification of lacustrine basins focuses on mechanisms that influence on the origin of a lacustrine basin. These mechanisms allow the classification of three main types i.e. (i) event lacustrine basins, (ii) paralic lacustrine basins, and (iii) tectonic lacustrine basins.

In this manuscript, we focus our observations on lacustrine deposits that are related to tectonics (e.g., basin subsidence and uplift of drainage barriers, strike-slip motions on intermontagne basins, etc.) because these deposits have the highest preservation potential for the geological record (e.g. Kelts, 1988). In this context, Cenozoic deposits in Central Andes are the best candidates to study geodynamics because phases of shortening and uplift dominated its entire history, and also because most of southern Peruvian basins have been attributed to extension or strike-slip deformation, including interpretations of large-displacement transcurrent faulting (Sempere et al., 2004; Roperch et al., 2006, 2011).

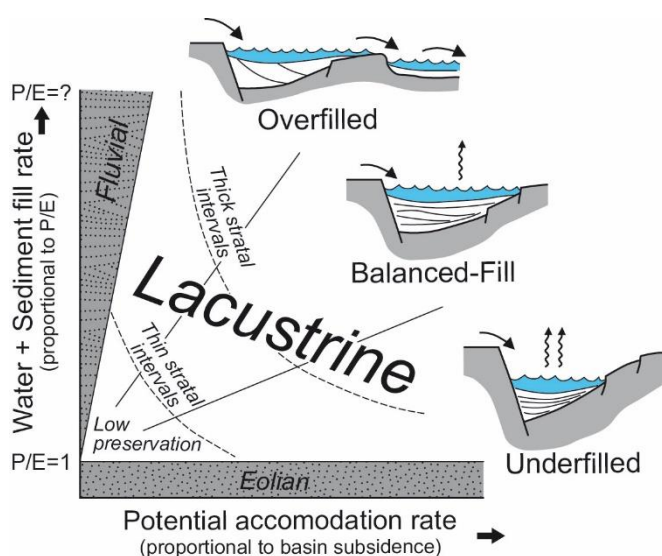


Fig. 4.4. Schematic lacustrine-type model. P/E = precipitation/evaporation (Carroll and Bohacs, 1999). Fluvial influence are more noteworthy on overfilled basin fills.

In this context, Carroll and Bohacs (1999) suggested that a more consistent classification of ancient lacustrine deposits is possible if we consider several relevant factors such as their sedimentary facies, fauna, flora, internal stratigraphic relations (parasequence stacking), and the character of their associations. Accordingly, categorizing ancient lacustrine systems provide fundamental basis for basin evolution when comparing evidences of open or closed basin hydrology and the nature of depositional cyclicity (Carroll and Bohacs, 2001). According to Carroll and Bohacs (1999), lacustrine deposits can be termed as formed under (i) *overfilled*, (ii) *balanced-fill*, or (iii) *underfilled* conditions (Fig. 4.4).

This classification depends largely on the relationships between relative balance of rates of accommodation space, which is mostly tectonic, and proportions of sediments and water fill, which is mostly a function of climate. These factors control lake occurrence, distribution, and character. These authors highlighted that these types represents end-member ideals and as such need not be 100% representative of any one occurrence. If we apply this concept on Cenozoic fluvio-lacustrine deposits in Central Andes (e.g. Moquegua Group), we observe that such deposits can be organized under these concepts and can reveal more clues on Central Andean evolution.

4.4. Revision of the sedimentary facies and depositional architecture of the Moquegua Group (MoqC and MoqD units) and comparisons to the Camaná Formation

It is generally accepted that sedimentary facies types (FT) are products of particular dynamics in space and time, and reflect different depositional processes. Sedimentary facies types can be grouped into repetitive (or cyclic) series of facies associations (FA), which are genetically associated (e.g. Harms et al., 1975; Miall, 1977, 1985; Einsele, 2000). Detailed stratigraphic and sedimentological studies of outcrop sections along the Majes-Camaná Valley provide a wide spectrum of facies that are crucial for characterizing facies associations.

Rocks of the Moquegua Group and the Camaná Formation show sedimentary facies types that are representative of different depositional settings. These settings definitely reflect different geodynamic contexts (e.g. Sempere et al., 2004; Alván and von Eynatten, 2014). Considering the nomenclature of Miall (1977, 1985), this section begins with reviewing facies of the upper part of the

Moquegua Group (i.e. MoqC and MoqD units). The results will then be related to the facies analysis carried out recently for the Camaná Formation (Alván and von Eynatten, 2014).

4.4.1. Fan delta and lacustrine facies of MoqC unit and coarse-grained deltas of CamA unit

4.4.1.1. Facies analysis of MoqC unit (~30 to ~15-10 Ma)

The revision focuses mostly on the sedimentary deposits that are located in the northern and central part of the Moquegua Basin (between Quebrada Gramadal in the North and Majes Valley in the South, Arequipa). These deposits are the thickest of the entire Moquegua Basin fill (see thicknesses in Fig. 4.6) and contain the most continuous sedimentary records (i.e. MoqA, MoqB, MoqC and MoqD, Sempere et al., 2004). According to Marocco et al. (1985) and Sempere et al. (2004), sediments of MoqC unit generally consist of heterogeneous mixtures of coarse-grained fluvial and carbonate facies (within sub-unit MoqC1, Fig. 4.5), and persistent ignimbrite deposition (mostly in its upper part, or sub-unit MoqC2 of Decou et al., 2011, see Miocene pyroclasts in Fig. 4.2). Moreover, intermingling of conglomerates appears commonly in MoqC unit. Overall, deposits of MoqC unit appear in apparently progradational parasequences of ~5 m thickness in average and prograde generally toward SW.

In detail, these deposits show lateral facies changes from the northern part of the basin until the southern border, without recognized major unconformities within. For instance, we observe that near the northwestern bounding margin, facies are coarser (e.g. Cuno-Cuno and Aplao), and turns finer and channelized through the middle part of the basin (e.g. Quebrada Huancarqui, Quebrada Siceras, and Quebrada La Yesera upstream; see Fig. 4.1B for location) up to the southern margin near the Coastal Cordillera (e.g. Quebrada La Yesera downstream).

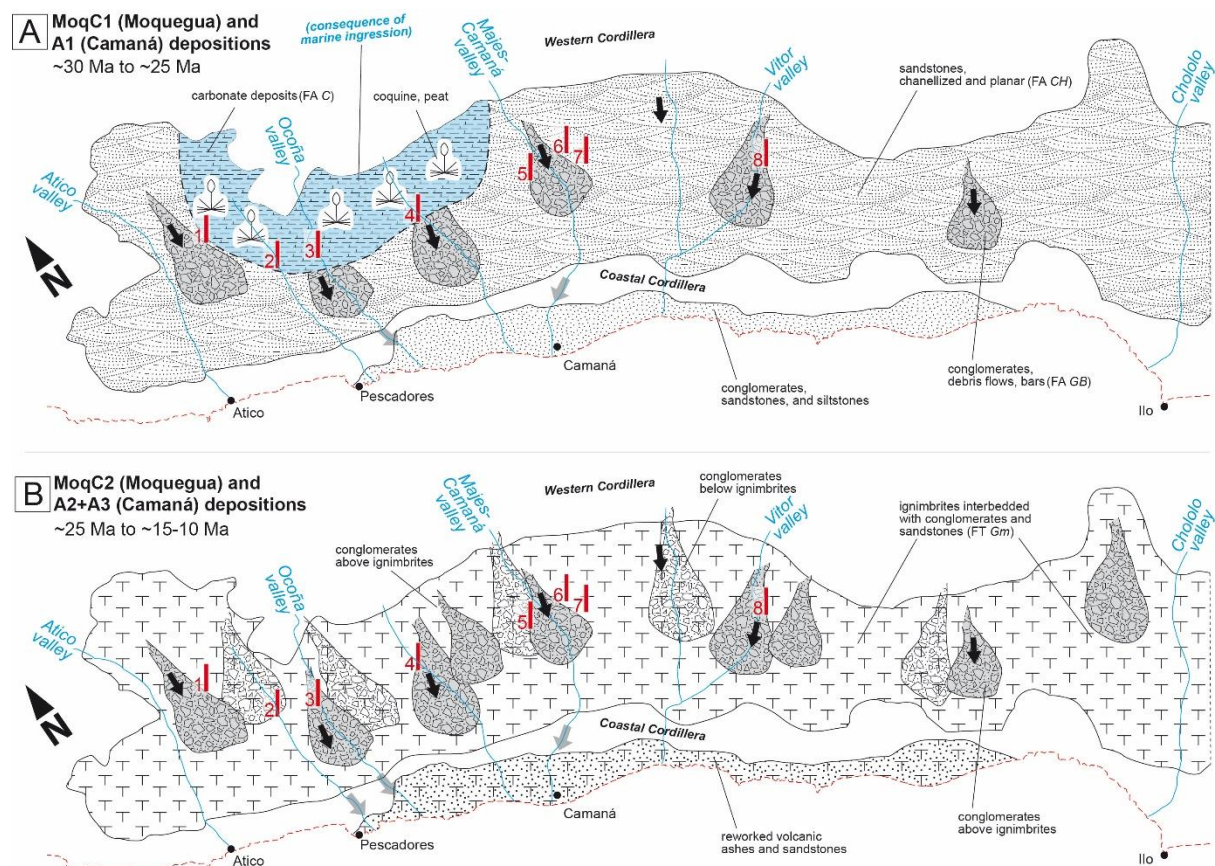


Fig. 4.5. Depositional architecture of MoqC unit (sub-units MoqC1 and MoqC2 of Decou et al., 2011) and CamA unit according to literature and own data. To see facies associations refer to Table 4.1.

Close to the northern border of the Moquegua Basin (Cuno-Cuno, Quebrada Gramadal, and Quebrada La Yesera upstream), several authors (e.g. Pecho, 1983; Cruzado and Rojas, 2005; DeVries, 1998) report carbonate deposits (light blue colored area in Figs. 4.5A and 4.7). Carbonate deposits consist of bioclastic micrites (Fig. 4.6A), marlstone with ooids, and coquina. Coquina consists dominantly of gastropods (genus *Turritella*, e.g. Lissón, 1925; Pecho, 1983; DeVries, 1998; Cruzado and Rojas, 2005) (Fig. 4.6B), abundant fossil plants of brackish-water of the genus *Juncus* (Fig. 4.6C), and some fossil shark teeth (genus *Isurus*, Cruzado and Rojas, 2005).

Medium to coarse-grained deposition with abundant cross and parallel laminations reflects sandy channels (see Figs. 4.6D and 4.6E). Some ichnofacies very similar to *Mermia* ichnofacies (Fig. 4.6F) also appear in coarse-grained facies, especially in Cuno-Cuno. These facies are interspersed with conglomerates in the entire unit, and characterize high-energy flooding, progradation, and desiccation features, resembling alluvial to fluvial depositional settings (e.g. Nemec and Steel, 1987). According to the nomenclature of Miall (1977, 1985) (see Table 4.1), we consider these deposits as FA CH with minor proportion of FA GB (conglomerates). Carbonate deposits are termed FA C. Mostly in upper strata (sub-unit MoqC2), pyroclastic deposits are dominant (FT Gm).

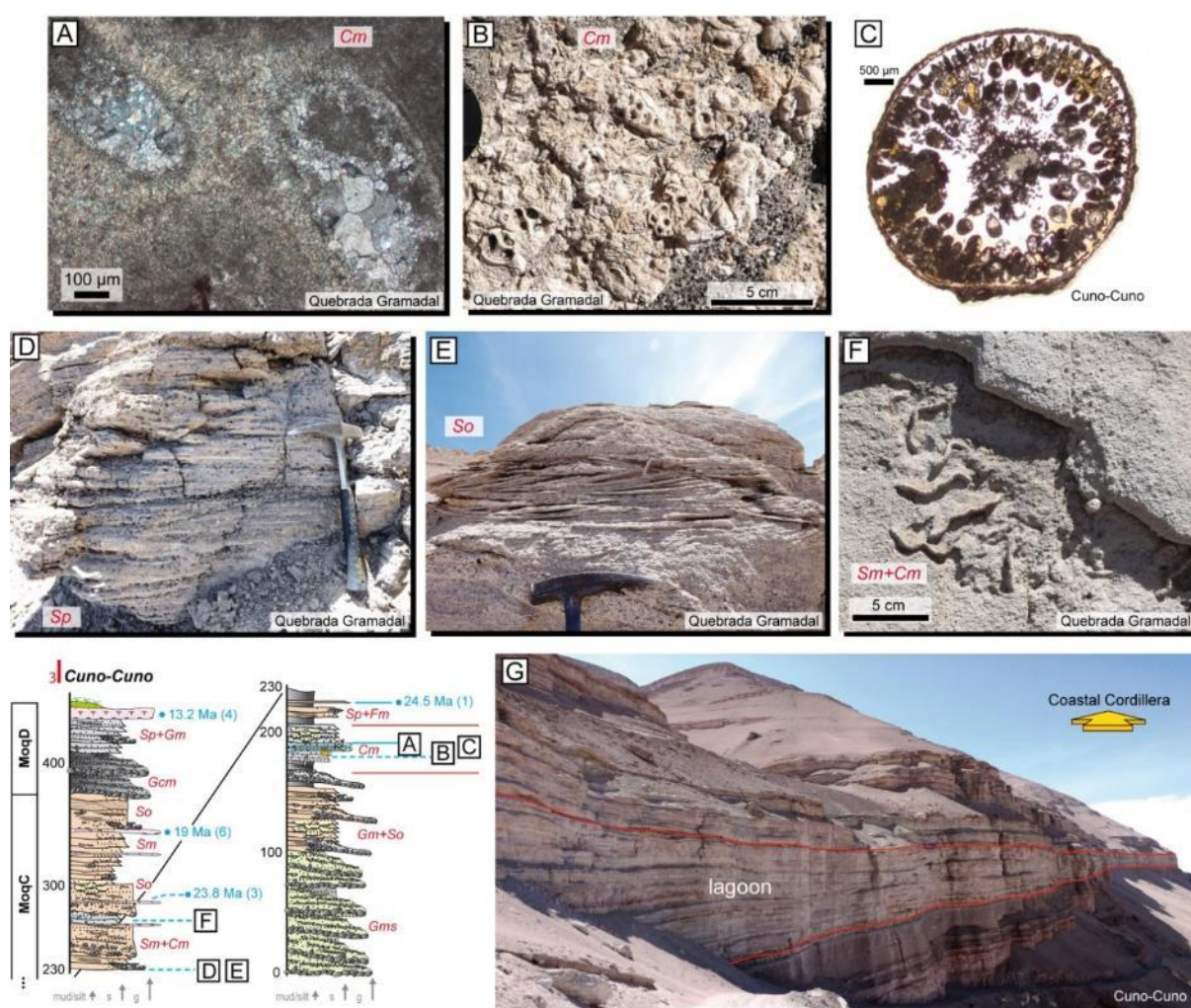


Fig. 4.6. Sedimentary facies within MoqC unit (Quebrada Gramadal and Cuno Cuno). In A: Micrite with bioclasts of mollusks. In B: Lumachela of gastropods i.e. genus *Turritella* (DeVries, 1998). In C: Fossil plants i.e. class Liliopsida (genus *Juncus*, Cyperaceae). In D and E: Planar and through laminations. In F: *Mermia* ichnofacies. In G: Carbonate deposits of MoqC unit in Cuno-Cuno. Blue numbers in stratigraphic section indicate sedimentation ages. To see facies types and facies associations refer to Table 4.1.

Table 4.1. Summarize of sedimentary facies analysis following the terminology for facies analysis by Miall (1977, 1985). In A: Facies types (FT) and architectural elements (or FA=facies associations) interpreted for the upper part of the Moquegua Group (MoqC and MoqD units). In B: Sedimentary facies of the Camaná Formation (after Alván and von Eynatten, 2014). Refer to Fig. 4.5 to see distribution of sedimentary facies. Facies types selected in gray indicates that these are common between MoqD unit and CamB unit.

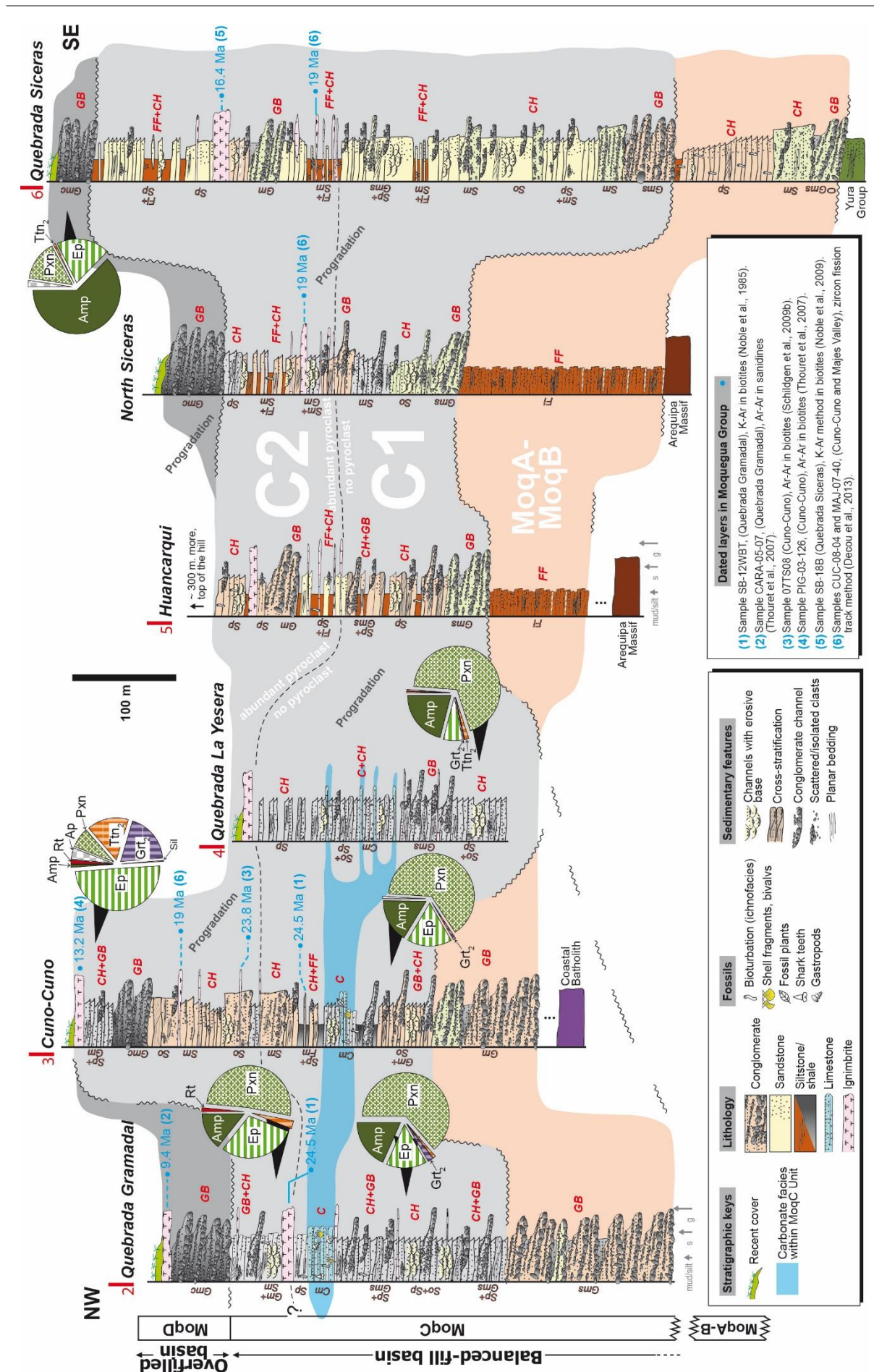
A: MoqC and MoqD units of the Moquegua Group

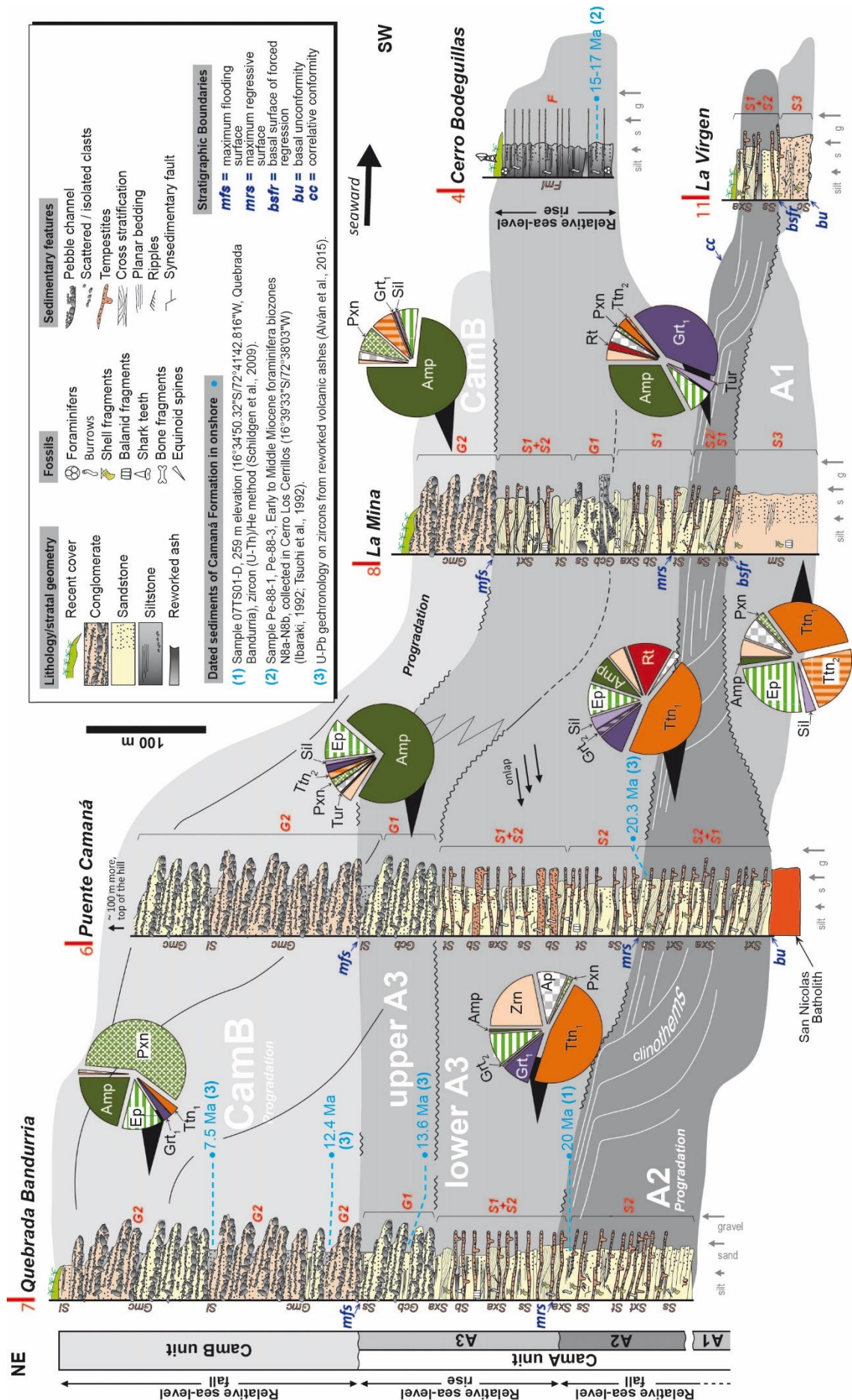
FA	FT	Description	Interpretation
GB	Gmc	Gmc: gravel, massive, clast-supported. Gravel clast-supported, massive or poorly graded, often imbricated. Pebbles are mostly composed of andesite, dacite, and quartzarenite.	Debris flow deposits with alluvial lobes.
	Gm	Gm: gravel rich in matrix. Gravel matrix-supported and sandstones with cross-bedding, mudcracks, often channelized. Ignimbrite layers are often observed.	Longitudinal bars with sieve deposits, and minor channel fills.
	Gms	Gms: gravel, fining-upward bedding. Gravel matrix-supported, massive, decrease to coarse/medium grained sandstone, and also shows sedimentary lenses of sandstone.	
CH	Sp	Sp: sandstone with planar bedding. Coarse-medium sandstones with parallel laminations. Often mudcracks. Scattered pebbles are observed.	Upper flow fluvial regime.
	So	So: sandstone with cross-bedding. Coarse-medium sandstones with low-angle cross-bedding, often channelized. Erosive bases are common.	Lower flow fluvial regime, related to sandy bars.
	Sm	Sm: massive sandstones. Massive medium-grained sandstones, with some scattered pebbles at the base of the bedding.	
C	Cm	Cm: carbonate, micrites. Micritic limestone with coquina and lumachel. Bioclasts of mollusks, bivalves and small shark teeth. <i>Mermitia</i> ichnofacies.	Carbonate lacustrine (swamp) and minor marine deposition.
FF	Fm	Fm: fine-massive, reworked ash. Fine sandstones, siltstones, and shales, often with reworked ash. Generally interbedded with sandstones, and scattered pebbles.	Playa-lake environment Evaporite deposits, swamps, overbank, and abandoned channels.
	Fi	Fi: fine-laminated sediments. Reddish siltstones with parallel laminations and/or planar bedding. Some cross-bedding, mudcracks, and gypsum layers.	

B: Camaná Formation

FA	FT	Description	Interpretation
G2	Sl	Sl: laminated sandstones. Laminated sandstones, commonly with reworked ash.	Delta plain. Fluvial deposits and sandy channels.
	Gmc	Gmc: gravel, massive and clast-supported. Massive and clast-supported gravel (e.g. andesite, dacite, quartzarenite).	
G1	Gcb	Gcb: gravel, clast-supported and bioclastic sandstones. Clast-supported gravel and bioclastic sandstones (e.g. forams, balanus).	Outermost Delta plain. Upper shoreface
S3	Sc	Sc: cross-bedded channelized sandstones. Fining-upward, channelized reddish sandstones, bioclastic.	Shoreface Upper Delta front. Middle to lower shoreface. Lower Delta front. Lower shoreface to offshore transition.
	Sm	Sm: massive coarse-sandstones. Massive coarse-grained sandstones, often with planar laminations.	
S2	Sxt	Sxt: cross-bedded sandstones and proximal tempestites. Proximal tempestites (~50 cm thick, gutter cast), bioclastic, amalgamated.	
	St	St: tabular coarse-sandstones. Tabular coarse-grained sandstones, highly bioclastic, with cross bedding.	
	Ss	Ss: Structureless sandstones. Coarse-fine sandstones, with proximal tempestites, and reworked ash.	
S1	Sb	Sb: bioturbated sandstones. Highly bioturbated, reworked ash, with intermediate tempestites (~20 cm).	
	Sxa	Sxa: Cross-bedded sandstone and reworked ash. Cross-bedded sandstones with ripples.	
F	Fs	Fs: fine, siltstones. Siltstones, marls and micrites with distal tempestites.	Prodelta deposits. Offshore transition to offshore.
	Fml	Fml: fine, massive, laminated. Massive and laminated micrites and siltstones.	

Fig. 4.7. (next page) Stratigraphic logs of the Moquegua Group are arranged ~NW-SE, roughly parallel to the orogenic strike. To see description of sedimentary facies refer to Table 4.1A. Blue numbers indicate stratigraphic ages (see bottom right chart for references). Pie diagrams represent samples with the most prominent heavy mineral assemblages (after Decou et al., 2011 and Alván et al., 2015). MoqC unit is equivalent to CamA unit. Abreviature for heavy minerals: Ep=epidote, Ttn₁=brown/yellow titanite, Ttn₂=colorless titanite, Grt₁=pink garnet, Grt₂=colorless titanite, Pxn=pyroxene, Amp=amphibole.





4.4.1.2. The CamA unit of the Camaná Formation (~30 to ~14 Ma)

Recent studies of Alván and von Eynatten (2014) considered deposits of Camaná Formation of two different depositional settings, which leads a division of two units: CamA and CamB units (see Fig. 4.2). CamA unit consists of a complex of coarse-grained deltas and CamB unit consists of fluvial conglomerates. These authors further subdivided CamA unit into three sub-units: A1, A2, and A3 stating that each sub-unit reflects particular stacking geometry and facies associations. Sub-unit A1 consists of massive and channelized coarse-grained sandstones, which suggest mouth bars and distributary channels. According to Alván and von Eynatten (2014), code FA S3 represents them (see Table 4.1B). Sub-unit A2 consists of coarse-grained sandstones with abundant tempestites and cross stratification (FA's S2 and S1). The most striking feature of these strata is the progradational geometry (clinothems). Sub-unit A3 consists of onlapping strata containing coarse-grained sandstones to siltstones, classified as FA's S1 and F.

The sequence stratigraphic interpretation of CamA unit given by Alván and von Eynatten (2014) revealed that deposition of sub-units A1 and A2 reflects a *regressive systems tract (RST)* and have occurred during uplift of the CC. This regression exceeded the effects of a global sea-level rise reported between Middle Oligocene and Middle Miocene by Haq et al. (1987) and Hardenbol et al. (1998), and suggests undoubtedly that uplift of the Coastal Cordillera controlled deposition of CamA unit. On the other hand, deposition of the sub-unit A3 shows strata with onlap geometry typical of a transgressive deposition, reflecting consistency with the global sea-level rise that extended until Middle Miocene. This consistency suggests moreover relative decrease of uplift rates of the CC, and accordingly, less influence on deposition of coarse-grained deltas.

4.4.1.3. A marine ingressión in the hinterland at ~25 Ma

A marine ingressión that has invaded the Moquegua Basin as far inland as Cuno-Cuno, Quebrada Gramadal and Quebrada La Yesera upstream (MoqC1 in Fig. 4.5A) was first suggested by Mendiál and Castillo (1960), referring to thin whitish limestones with marine fossils within sub-unit MoqC1 (e.g. Cuno-Cuno, see Figs. 4.6A, 4.6B, and 4.6C). Many other authors provided additional information, such as evidences of fossil shark teeth (Pecho, 1983), mollusks (DeVries, 1998), and foraminifera (Pecho, 1983), confirming marine influence on Moquegua Basin. Radiometric dating (biotite ^{40}K - ^{39}Ar ages, Noble et al., 1985) suggested average ages of ~25 Ma for this marine ingressión.

The concept of a *transgressive systems tract (TST)* represents to deposits accumulated during a relative rise of the sea level, since the onset of marine transgression until the time of its maximum transgression (Catuneanu, 2002). Marocco et al. (1985), Macharé et al. (1986), DeVries (1998), Cruzado and Rojas (2005) and many other authors used this principle to explain that marine ingressión. However, such transgression strongly contrasts to the regressive trend of the deposits of CamA unit according to the facies analysis of Alván and von Eynatten (2014), which is chronologically equivalent to MoqC unit. Sediments of CamA unit (precisely sub-units A1 and A2, ~30 to ~20 Ma) have been deposited during a relative sea-level fall, and marks consistently a *regressive systems tract (RST)*. Consequently, such marine ingressión can be attributed to a strong tectonic control along the forearc, where where simultaneous tensional pulses could supported creation of accommodation space (see Section 4.7.2 for further discussions).

Both the progradational nature of MoqC unit plus fluvial incision and increase of topographic gradients could have eroded any onlapping package as typically occurs in fault-bounded basins (e.g. Catuneanu, 2002). This may explain the minor evidences of marine sediments in Moquegua Basin.

Fig. 4.8. (page before) Stratigraphic logs of the Camaná Formation. CamA unit consists of coarse-grained deltas, and CamB consists of fluvial conglomerates. To see sedimentary facies in detail, refer to Alván and von Eynatten (2014) and Table 4.1B. Pie diagrams represent the most prominent heavy mineral assemblages (after Alván et al., 2015). Blue numbers indicate stratigraphic ages (see top right chart for references). CamA unit is equivalent to MoqC unit. Abreviature for heavy minerals: Ep=epidote, Ttn₁=brown/yellow titanite, Ttn₂=colorless titanite, Grt₁=pink garnet, Grt₂=colorless titanite, Pxn=pyroxene, Amp=amphibole.

4.4.2. Fluvial facies of MoqD and CamB units

4.4.2.1. Facies analysis of MoqD unit (~15-10 to ~4 Ma)

Formerly, León et al. (2000) have mapped in Majes conglomerates of uppermost Moquegua Group as Millo Formation, and then as MoqD by Sempere et al. (2004). MoqD unit consists predominantly of clast-supported debris flow deposits, with minor intermingling of longitudinal sand bars (observed mostly small sedimentary lenses and flood-plain layers) and abundant pyroclastic layers (Fig. 4.9). Generally, these facies are arranged as progradational parasequences. According to the classification of facies analysis proposed by Miall (1977; 1985), we considered that conglomerates of MoqD unit can be classified as FT *Gmc* (of FA *GB*) (see Table 4.1 for further details). Apparently, the MoqD unit was deposited after a marked period of erosion (Sempere et al., 2004) or non-deposition. The base of this unit is diachronic, with ages ranging between ~14 and ~10 Ma and the top until ~4 Ma (Sempere et al., 2004; Decou et al., 2013). Similar to underlying deposits of MoqC unit, MoqD unit show its thickest deposits along the large valleys. Most of the facies associations within deposits of the MoqD unit are very similar to that of CamB unit (Alván et al., 2015), and both the MoqD and CamB units show comparable depositional ages (~12 to ~4 Ma).

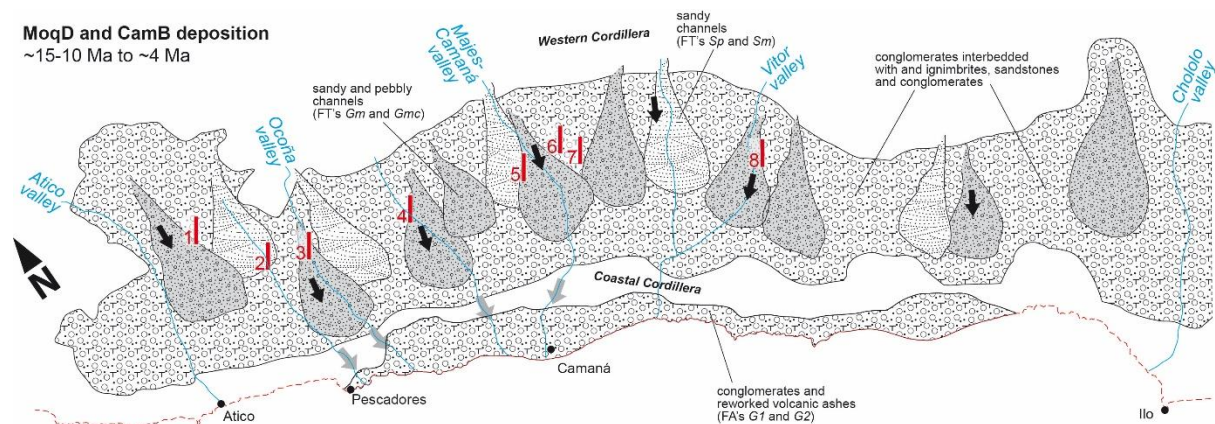


Fig. 4.9. Depositional architecture of the MoqD and CamA units unit according to literature and own data. To see facies associations refer to Table 4.1.

4.4.2.2. The CamB unit of the Camaná Formation (~12 to ~4 Ma)

Deposits of CamB unit consist of clast-supported conglomerates, which are commonly interspersed with ignimbrites and reworked ashes derived of the ~10-3 Lower Barroso volcanic arc (Mamani et al., 2010a) and sandy deposits. Sandstones occur commonly as sedimentary channels interbedded with ignimbrites and reworked ashes. According to the classification of sedimentary facies of Miall (1977; 1985), Alván and von Eynatten (2014) considered conglomerates, ignimbrites, and sandy channels as FT's *Gmc* and *Sl* (FA *G2*) (see Table 4.1B). In Camaná, the lower part of CamB unit shows minor presence of marine sandstones and reworked ashes dated in ~12 Ma (Alván et al., 2015). Such facies reflects marginal marine settings occurring at the distal part of Lower Miocene conglomerates in southern Peruvian forearc. Conglomerates of CamB unit are largely similar in lithological and mineralogical composition to deposits of MoqD unit (see Section 4.6 for further details).

4.4.3. Isopach map of the upper part of the Moquegua Group and the Camaná Formation

Constructing isopach maps is a classic method for illustrating variations in stratigraphic true thickness and relate them to specific structural patterns in a given study area (e.g. Cummings and Shiller, 1971). In this context, an isopach map that show variations in stratigraphic thicknesses of the upper part of the Moquegua Group and the Camaná Formation indicates the location of accommodation spaces for sediment accumulation. For the elaboration of the isopach map more than 200 points were plotted, including data from stratigraphic logs from own data and compiled from several authors (e.g. Huamán, 1985; Marocco et al., 1985; Acosta et al., 2002; Cruzado and Rojas, 2005; Acosta et al., 2011; Jacay ined.). The data set was then plotted by triangulating irregular networks (TIN) in software ArcGIS version 10. The results yielded two large depocentres (Fig. 4.3). The first one occurring between Quebrada Gramadal and Vitor in the PP, and the second is restricted to the area of Camaná. Such observations indicate areas that were able to provide enough accommodation space for deposition of MoqC and MoqD units and Camaná Formation. The preferential alignment for accommodation space and later sediment filling is closely related to the position of the large valleys (i.e. Quebrada La Yesera and Majes-Camaná Valley) (see Section 4.5).

4.5. Genetic significance of the upper part of the Moquegua Group and the Camaná Formation

4.5.1. Genetic significance of the MoqC and CamA units

Despite alluvial, fluvial, and lacustrine facies of MoqC unit are widely different to coarse-grained deltas of the CamA unit, they both show similar progradational nature. Deposits of MoqC must prograded from the WC until the CC along the PP, displaying lateral gradation from coarse to finer facies (Figs. 4.2 and 4.6). Simultaneously, coarse-grained deposits of CamA unit prograded from de CC to the west until very probably the offshore outer forearc (Mollendo Basin) (Alván et al., 2014), resulting in finer facies (Fig. 4.8).

Given the simultaneous uplift of the WC and CC, we interpret that the spill point of Moquegua Basin was located very possibly at relatively higher altitudes than sea level, except at ~25 Ma (cf. Section 4.4.1.3). This setting typically results in a switch to net degradation within the basin (i.e. progradation, Carroll and Bohacs, 2001). Accordingly, accommodation space of the Moquegua Basin approximately has equaled the influx rate of water plus sediment over the depositional time span of the MoqC unit. However, because inflows of sediment and water reached the sill level, they consequently flowed out onto the contiguous Camaná Basin, triggering minor and periodical discharges to keep the hydrological balance of the Moquegua Basin.

The minor proportions of sediment and water that have flowed out as discharges onto the Camaná Basin, joined sedimentation of the contiguous coarse-grained deltas (CamA unit, FA's S3 and S2) and contributed characteristic heavy minerals from the rocks forming the WC (Alván et al., 2015) (see Section 4.6 for further discussions). Given the abundant fluvial deposits within MoqC unit, the most adequate term that defines this complex sedimentary setting is a "*balanced-fill fluvio-lacustrine basin*" instead of a "*balanced-fill lacustrine basin*" (e.g. Carroll and Bohacs, 1999) (Fig. 4.10B). Roehler (1992) and Carrol and Bohacs (1999, 2001) referred to this concept to highlight the most prominent depositional behavior in tectonically-active basins, as tested successfully in the Lower LaCiede Bed of the Green River Formation (USA).

We can affirm that the most relevant relation between the Moquegua and Camaná Basins during ~30 to ~15-10 Ma consisted mainly of paleo-drainages that have supported the transit of sediments from the WC to the Camaná Basin through the CC. According to Carroll and Bohacs (1999) and (Einsele, 2000), a (fluvio) lacustrine basin will remain endorheic until a connection is made to the ocean, necessarily by either tectonically driven creation of pathways or by basin overflowing of water plus sediment through its spill point. Hence, the hydrological system of our *balanced-fill fluvio-*

lacustrine Moquegua Basin (MoqC deposition) was neither hydrologically open nor hydrologically closed.

Carbonate deposits with fossil fauna (FA C) in MoqC strata are typical of lacustrine (or lagoon) with marine influence (e.g. DeVries, 1998; Cruzado and Rojas, 2005). These deposits are characterized by a heterogeneous mixture of carbonate and siliceous facies that were accumulated as the “lake deepened” (or accommodation space expanded), either during a possible quiescence in progradational deposition and/or after flooding deposition (e.g. Carrol and Bohacs, 1999; Pietras et al., 2003). The progradational and regressive depositions of MoqC unit and its equivalent CamA unit contrast to the regional sea-level rise of Haq et al. (1987) and Hardenbol et al. (1998), and clearly suggest that their deposition are intimately related to vertical motions of the WC and CC (see Section 4.7.2-ii).

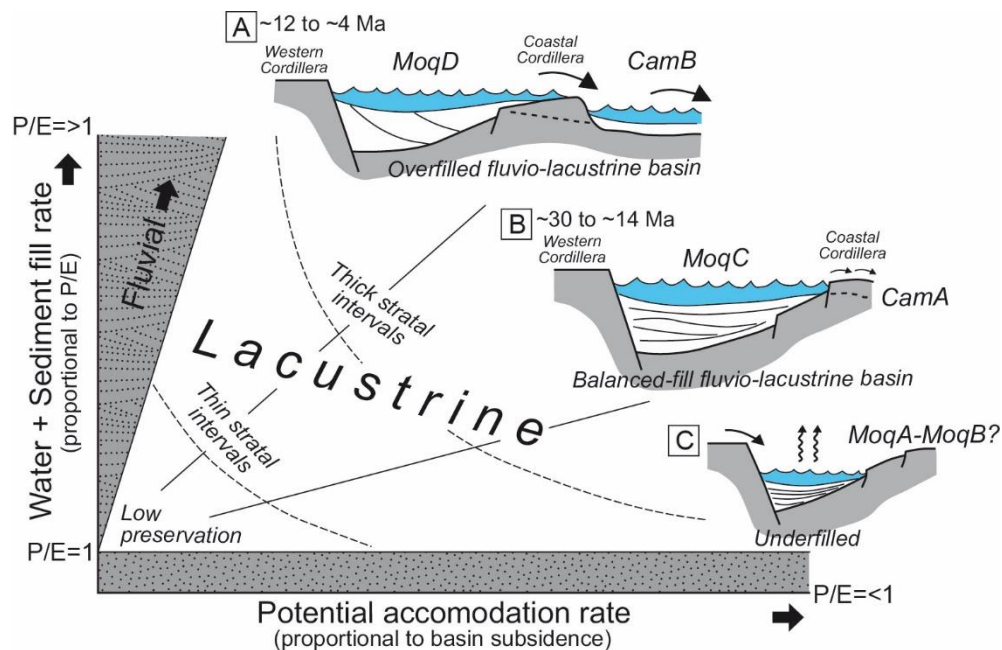


Fig. 4.10. Scheme of a (fluvio) lacustrine basin fill (adapted from Carroll and Bohacs, 1999) showing comparison with Cenozoic basins in southern Peru (Moquegua and Camaná Basins). In A: *Overfilled fluvio-lacustrine basin* (filled with sediments of MoqD and CamB units). In B: *Balanced-fill fluvio-lacustrine basin* (filled with sediments of MoqC unit). In C: *Underfilled lacustrine basin*, could probably correspond to MoqA and MoqB units of the Moquegua Group. P/E = precipitation/evaporation.

4.5.2. Genetic significance of the MoqD and CamB units

We consider that the term “*overfilled fluvio-lacustrine basin*” is the most appropriate concept to define the Moquegua Basin during deposition of the MoqD unit (Fig. 4.10A), because its basin fill reflects high-energy fluvial deposition. The original definition of *overfilled lacustrine basins* of Carroll and Bohacs (1999) (Fig. 4.4) include lacustrine facies, which does not exist in MoqD unit. Accordingly, we consider the additional use of the term “fluvio” because the deposition of MoqD is dominantly conglomeratic and its depositional mechanism resembles overfilling which best fits to our depositional model. Following this concept, we interpret that influx rate of sediment and water has exceeded the accommodation space of the Moquegua Basin. Consequently, significant volumes of sediments and water formed progradational fluvial facies and have dominated the filling of the Moquegua Basin. Such statement suggests moreover that this deposition spilled out in large proportions towards the Camaná Basin overpassing the CC. Thus, fluvial conglomerates of CamB are a protracted deposition of MoqD unit.

Roehler (1992) and Carrol and Bohacs (1999, 2001) applied appropriately this methodology in the Luman Tongue Bed of the Green River Formation, USA (Roehler, 1992; Carrol and Bohacs, 1999,

2001) to relate major changes in facies and sediment provenance to structural changes. In our case, basin tectonics appears to have affected facies of the MoqD and CamB units, and drastically changed from fluvio-lacustrine facies (MoqC unit) to fluvial facies. This statement supports the clear relationship between uplift of the WC and deposition of MoqD and CamB units (e.g. Schildgen et al., 2009a; Alván et al., 2015), which is more relevant than eustatism or in general, climatic factors (Alván and von Eynatten, 2014).

In fault-bounded lacustrine basins like the Moquegua Basin, climatically driven lacustrine level-fluctuations are minimal (e.g. Bohacs et al., 2003). Consequently, we consider that deposition of MoqD unit is a product of the well-recorded Late Miocene uplift of the WC and the PP (by Thouret et al., 2007; Schildgen et al., 2009a; Decou et al., 2013; Alván et al., 2015) (see Section 4.7.1-ii).

The concept of a hydrologically open lake (or exorheic basin according to Hutchinson, 1957) is consistent with our definition of *overfilled fluvio-lacustrine basin* for the Moquegua Basin since Late Miocene. In that setting, tectonically driven creation of pathways and basin overflowing of water and sediments through its spill point supports the progradational stratigraphic arrangement of MoqD and CamB units. However, if the spill point is close to sea level, the river systems, feeding into and out of the basin, will be controlled by relative sea-level fluctuations (e.g. Carroll and Bohacs, 2001). This setting is consistent with marginal marine settings of the basal CamB unit (FA G1 in Table 4.1B).

4.6. What is the relation between the upper part of the Moquegua Group and the Camaná Formation according to provenance studies?

Denudation products from the WC and the CC are reflected in the sedimentary filling of the fault-bounded Moquegua and Camaná Basins, respectively (Decou et al., 2011, 2013; Alván et al., 2015) (Fig. 4.2). However, to unravel their sedimentary evolution and infer geodynamic controls on both basins, we need to combine our genetic models to existing provenance data.

The recognition of index minerals of specific parageneses in a given basin-fill is of great significance, and besides constraining time of exhumation of their parent lithologies, provide means for stratigraphic correlations (Mange et al., 2003). Thus, we use some heavy minerals within the MoqC and CamA units, as well as within the MoqD and CamB units, as tool to support our correlation arguments and statements on paleogeography. Stratigraphic equivalences and sedimentary relationships between the MoqC and CamA units, and between the MoqD and CamB units (Fig. 4.2A) are proposed and are supported by heavy mineral assemblages (Table 4.2).

Intense volcanism of the ~24-10 Ma Huayllillas volcanic arc in southern Peru (Mamani et al., 2010a) and the neighboring Oxaya volcanism in northern Chile (Wörner et al., 2002; Thouret et al., 2007) acted simultaneously. This volcanism occurred as well simultaneous with deposition of sub-unit MoqC2 (~25 to ~15-10 Ma) and sub-units A2 and A3 (~23 to ~14 Ma) (Fig. 4.2). Decou et al. (2011) used these volcanic products as criteria to differentiate MoqC2 from the underlying and ignimbritic-poor sub-unit MoqC1 (~30 to ~25 Ma). Alván et al. (2015) used the same observation to establish chronologic and stratigraphic correlations between the sub-units MoqC1 and A1.

Some similarities in heavy mineral composition support such comparisons. The mineralogical composition of the sub-unit MoqC1 shows significant proportions of pyroxene, epidote, and minor amphibole, colorless/pale green titanite and colorless/pale green garnet (Table 4.2). According to Decou et al. (2011; 2013), these reflect provenance of the ~30-24 Ma Tacaza volcanic arc (or Tacaza Group, Wilson and García, 1962), the Toquepala Group, and the Coastal Batholith, all cropping out at the WC (Fig. 4.11). Simultaneously, rocks of the CC provided the major contribution of sediments for CamA unit in Camaná Basin (Alván et al., 2015) (Fig. 4.11). However, these authors highlighted that minor proportions of heavy minerals that are typically observed in MoqC unit are also observed in sediments of the sub-unit A1 (e.g. pyroxene and epidote). Thus, the statement of minor proportions of sediments that have overflowed the *balanced-fill fluvio-lacustrine basin* of MoqC periodically onto the Camaná Basin is consistent.

Table 4.2. Semi-quantitative counting of heavy mineral composition of potential source rocks, the upper part of the Moquegua Group (MoqC and MoqD units), and the Camaná Formation. Sub-division of MoqC unit proposed by Decou et al. (2011). Subdivision of Camaná Formation proposed by Alván and von Eynatten (2014). Abbreviations: Zrn=zircon, Tur=tourmaline, Ap=apatite, Rt=rutile, Sil=sillimanite, Grt₁=pink garnet, Grt₂=pale green/colorless garnet, Ttn₁=brown/yellow titanite, Ttn₂=pale green/colorless titanite, Pxn=pyroxene, Ep=epidote, Amp₁=fresh amphibole, and Amp₂=altered amphibole. Symbols: xxx=abundant, xx=common, x=very minor, o=absent. Samples and layers with (*) are documented in Decou et al. (2011). Note similarities between MoqD and CamB units, and between MoqC1 and

	Unit / Lithology	Zrn	Tur	Ap	Rt	Sil	Grt ₁	Grt ₂	Ttn ₁	Ttn ₂	Pxn	Ep	Amp ₁	Amp ₂
Potential source rocks	Lower Barroso arc (10-3 Ma) ignimbrites	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	xx	o
	Lower Barroso arc (10-3 Ma) andesites, dacites (*)	o	o	x	o	o	o	o	o	o	xxx	o	o	o
	Huayllillas arc (24-10 Ma) ignimbrites (*)	x-xx	o	x-xx	o-x	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	xx-xxx	o
	Huayllillas arc (24-10 Ma) andesites (*)	o	o	x	o	o	o	o	o	o	xxx	o	o	o
	Tacaza arc (30-24 Ma) andesites (*)	o	o	xx	o	o	o	o	o	o	xxx	o	o	o
	Tacaza arc (30-24 Ma) diorites	o	o	o	o-x	o	o	o	o	x	xx-xxx	xxx	o	xxx
	Anta arc (45-30 Ma) andesites, diorites (*)	x	o	o-xx	o	o	o	o	o	o	xxx	o	o-x	o
	Toquepala arc (91-45) rhyolites (*)	x	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	xx
	Toquepala arc (91-45) plutonics (*)	o-x	o	x-xx	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	xx-xxx
	Coastal Batholith (190-60) plutonics	o-x	o	x	o	o	o	o	o	x	x	x	xxx	x
	Yura Group (Jurassic-Cretaceous) sandstones	xxx	xx	x	xx-xxx	o	o	o	o	o	o-x	x	o	o-x
	Mitu Group (Permian-Triassic) sandstones	xxx	xx	x	xx-xxx	o	x	o	o	o	o-x	x	o	o-x
	San Nicolas Batholith (Silurian-Ordovician) granites	x	o	x	o	o	o-x	o	xxx	o	o	x	o	x
	Arequipa Massif (Proterozoic) gneisses	xx	o	x-xx	o-x	o	o	x-xx	o	x	o	xx-xxx	o	xx-xxx
	Arequipa Massif (Proterozoic) granulites	xx	x	o-x	x	xxx	o	o	o	x	x	x	o	x
	Arequipa Massif (Proterozoic) amphibolites (*)	xx	o	xx	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	xx-xxx
Moquegua Group	MoqD (*)	o-x	o	x	o-x	x	o	xx	o	x	xxx	xxx	x-xx	xx-xxx
	MoqC2 (*)	xx	o-x	x	o-x	o	o-x	o-x	o	o-x	xx-xxx	xx-xxx	x-xx	o-x
	MoqC1 (*)	x-xx	o	xx	x	o	o-x	o-xxx	o	o-x	x-xxx	xx-xxx	o-x	x-xx
Camaná Formation	CamB	x	o-x	x	o-x	o-x	x	o	o	x	xxx	xxx	xx	xxx
	upper A3	x	o-x	x	o	x	x	o	o	x	x	x	xx	xxx
	lower A3	xx	o-x	x	o	o-x	x	o	xxx	o	o-x	x	o	o-x
	A2	xx	o-x	x	xx	x	x-xxx	x-xxx	xxx	o-x	o-x	xx	o-x	x-xxx
	A1	x	o-x	xx	o-x	o-x	o-x	o	xxx	xx	xx	xx	o	x

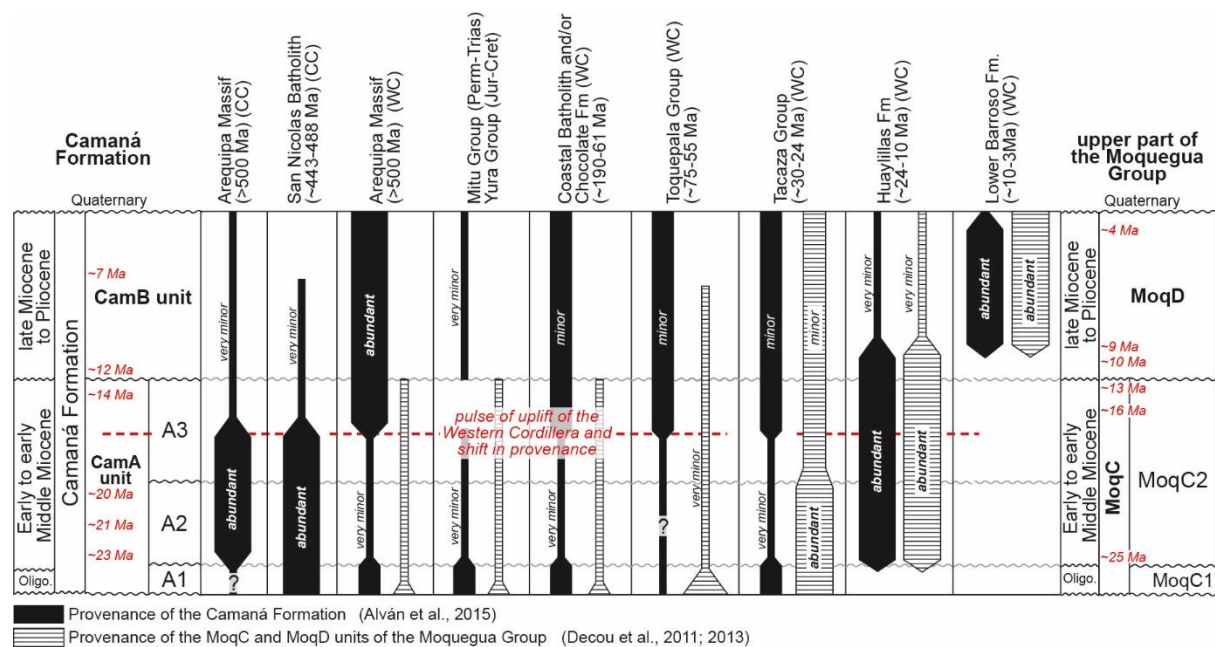


Fig. 4.11. Combined provenance schema of the Camaná Formation and the upper part of the Moquegua Group (MoqC and MoqD units) (after Decou (2011) and Alván et al., 2015). Sedimentation ages within the Moquegua Group (red numbers) compiled from Sempere et al. (2004), and Decou et al. (2013). Sedimentation ages within the Camaná Formation from Alván et al. (2015).

Similarities in sediment provenance between conglomerates of the MoqD and CamB units arise firstly from comparing the pebble composition of both units. Andesites, dacites, rhyolites, and minor quartzarenites and gneisses (FA's GB and G2, Table 4.1) are common components among these units. Pebbles of MoqD and CamB units derive mostly of the ~10-4 Ma Lower Barroso volcanic arc. The heavy mineral composition of sediments within the MoqD and CamB units consists of abundant amphiboles, pyroxenes, and epidotes (Table 4.2), and both of them reflect additional provenance of Tacaza Group, and minor provenance of the Arequipa Massif (of the WC) (Fig. 4.11).

Provenance of the MoqD and CamB units is strikingly different to provenance of the underlying strata of MoqC and CamA units (see red dotted line within Fig. 4.11). According to the presented data, provenance and facies of CamB unit are the same as the MoqD unit. Such statements provide enough arguments to propose correlations, and we confirm that deposits of CamB are a unique and protracted deposition from the WC.

4.7. Geodynamics in forearc: uplift, ?subsidence, and other deformational styles

This section integrates data on sediment provenance, thermochronology and other geological proxies such as tectonic rotations in southern Peru and sedimentology. We consider that two main deformational responses are recorded in sediments of southern Peruvian forearc, such as: (i) uplift and (ii) transcurrency.

4.7.1. Uplift of the WC and the CC

Most of the deformational processes known in southern Peruvian forearc occurred during Cenozoic (e.g. uplift, exhumation, etc.) and are referred to the Western Cordillera. These deformations are reflected in Eocene sediments of the Moquegua Group (Decou et al., 2011, 2013). Moreover, this manuscript also documents Late Oligocene to Pliocene sediments of the Camaná Formation, and reflect uplift and exhumation of the Coastal Cordillera (Alvan and von Eynatten, 2015). As we observe, the main deformational patterns consist of vertical motions.

This manuscript explains uplift history of the CC and WC in two main stages: (i) between ~25 and ~14 Ma, and (ii) since ~12 Ma until present.

- (i) Between ~25 and ~14 Ma, WC have experimented uplift very possibly accompanied by normal and sinistral displacements along the ~NW-SE-oriented CLLIFS and IIIFS, respectively (Fig. 4.12). Schildgen et al. (2009b) calculated uplift of the western side of the WC in ~1.7 km since ~25 Ma until nowadays, by constraining apatite (U-Th)/He data and a ~25 Ma-old marine layer observed in the Pacific Piedmont (see Cotahuasi-Ocona Valley and inferred extension of carbonate deposits in Fig. 4.5A). This study, as well as Schildgen et al. (2009b) and Decou et al. (2013) considers such uplift as drastic and the main cause of denudation of the rocks forming Western Cordillera (MoqC).

Simultaneously, CC has also experimented uplift surely along the IIIFS. We consider these faults active at that age because they are the only evidences of sinistral displacements in the area. Seismic lines in offshore confirm this statement and reflects abundant normal faulting from CC and seaward (Alvan et al., 2014 and Chapter 5). The most appropriate structural setting is that of vertical displacements with predominant normal faulting (Fig. 4.12).

A rough estimation of the amount of uplift of the CC is constrained by a 71.8 ± 9.4 Ma apatite fission track age from the Arequipa Massif of Camaná (Wipf, 2006; see Fig. 4.1B), a lower limit of the AFT partial annealing zone of 60°C (Gleadow et al., 1986; Wagner and van den Haute, 1992), and an assumed geothermal gradient of 25-30°C/km (e.g. Atherton and Aguirre, 1992; Schildgen et al., 2007). This estimation implies that Cenozoic to recent uplift of the CC was roughly below 2 km. Subtracting the post-12 Ma uplift of the CC that has been estimated at ~0.5 km based on radiometric ages (zircon U-Pb, Alvan et al., 2015) and present-

day elevation of the CamA-CamB boundary, the total uplift of the CC between ~25 and ~12 Ma was <1.5 km. Accordingly, uplift of the Western and Coastal Cordilleras are defined and well constrained, and occurred simultaneously. However, we consider that these uplifts were not the only controlling factor on sedimentation in forearc, but also creation of accommodation space (see Section 4.7.2).

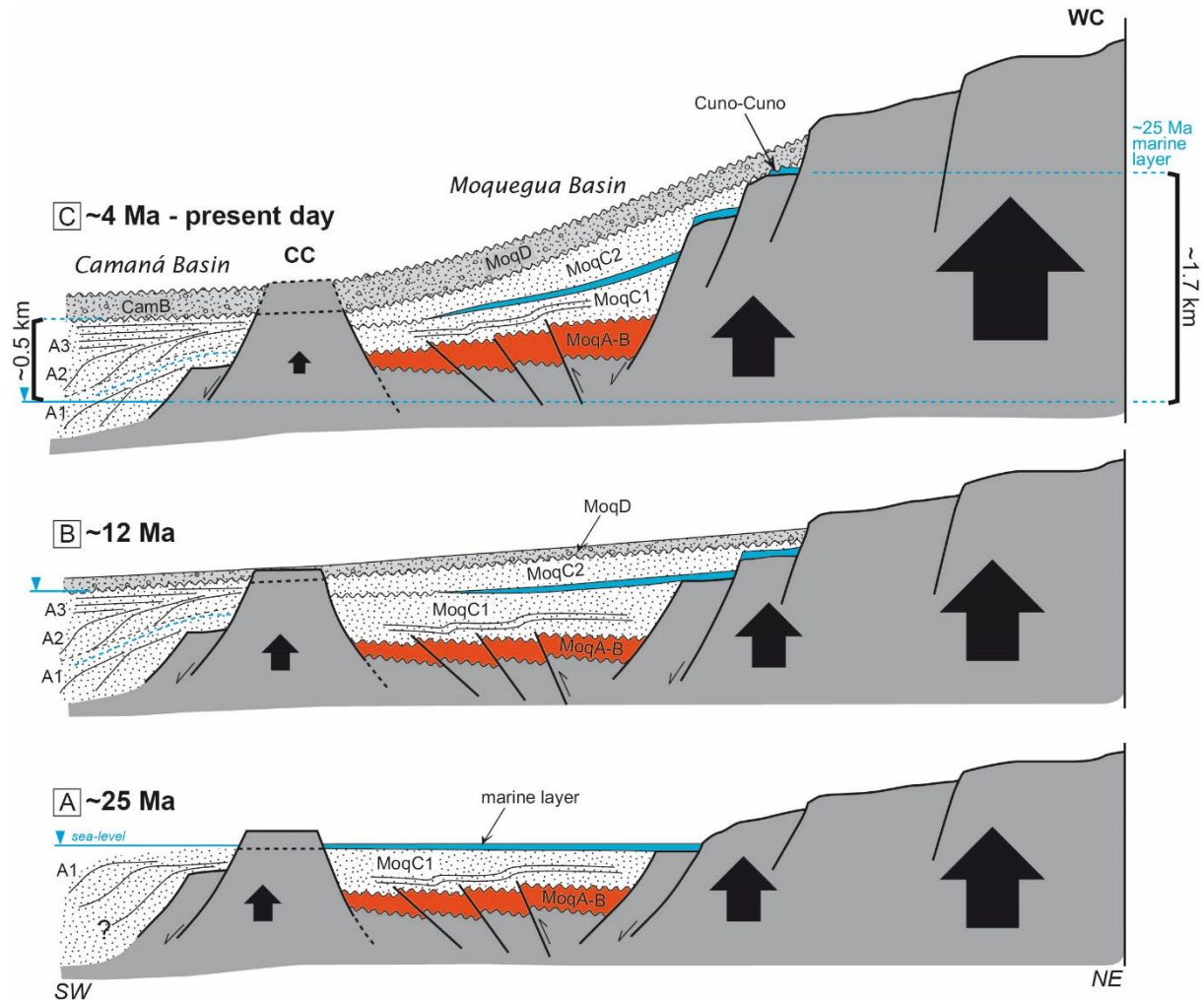


Fig. 4.12. Sequential schema of geodynamics along the Majes-Camaná Valley. Uplifts of WC and CC are roughly estimated by constraining thermochronological data and several geological proxies (see black arrows). In A: Inferred paleogeography of Majes-Camaná Valley at ~25 Ma, when western side of WC was partly at sea level. Uplift of this area is constraint by using apatite (U-Th)/He data (Schildgen et al., 2009b). In B: Early deposition of CamB unit dated at ~12 Ma. In C: Latest stage of the MoqD and CamB depositions. Nowadays, dated layers of basal CamB are perched at ~0.5 km altitude. Uplift of CC is constraint in ~0.5 km since Late Miocene. Abbreviations: WC=Western Cordillera, CC=Coastal Cordillera.

- (ii) Between ~12 and ~4 Ma, protracted deposition of MoqD unit (and CamB unit) is dominantly due to uplift of the WC rather than climatic influences (e.g. Thouret et al., 2007; Schildgen et al., 2009b). We consider that climatic driven base-level fluctuations in an *overfilled fluvio-lacustrine basin* like the Moquegua Basin during deposition of MoqD unit are minimal due to the drastic uplift of the WC, and because discharges of sediment and water carried most of the simultaneous volcanic products of the Lower Barroso Formation. Haschke et al. (2006) considered this Late Miocene volcanism as one of the consequences of steeping of the slab and drastic shortening, uplift, and thickening of Central Andes.

We have to consider that besides the arid/hyper-arid conditions in Central Andes; such outflows are reflected by minor and periodic moistures that supported protracted runoffs (e.g. Gregory-Wodzicki, 2000; Hartley et al., 2005; Dunai et al., 2005). Moreover, arid/hyper-arid

conditions of southern Peru is interpreted to be influenced by effects of the descending flow of the atmospheric Hadley cell circulation, where the cold oceanic Humboldt Current led to temperature inversion in the coast, and the orographic barrier created by the Andes blocked moisture-bearing easterly winds (Abele, 1989; Hartley and Evenstar, 2010; Schildgen et al., 2009a). Uplift of the CC since Late Miocene to nowadays have been estimated in ~0.5 km by Alván et al. (2015) by assuming that dated layers of basal CamB were located at sea level (FT G1, Alván and von Eynatten, 2014). If protracted and overfilled deposition of MoqD overpassed the CC, we consider that uplift of WC since Late Miocene was higher than that of the CC (Fig. 4.12C). Overall, according to concepts of accommodation space and filling of sediments and water proposed by Carroll and Bohacs (1999), we state that the proportion of inflow of sediments and water that rather exceeded accommodation space within Moquegua Basin (i.e. MoqD) reflect the final stage of the evolution of the Camaná Basin.

On the other hand, we consider that several other styles of faulting and deformation coexisted besides uplift of the cordilleras along the depositional history of the Camaná Formation, and can be described in terms of transcurrent deformations.

4.7.2. Transcurrent deformations

We consider, as well as Isacks (1988) and several other authors that the actual geomorphology of the Central Andes is response of consecutive and complex geodynamic processes such as shortening and uplift, and are recorded in sediments.

As appears, each segment of Central Andes shows particular tectonic behavior (e.g. Isacks, 1988; Sempere and Jacay, 2008; Sempere et al., 2008), and very possibly reflect differential building since Eocene. In this context, Oncken et al. (2006) suggested that the spatial distribution pattern of deformation, synchronization of faults, and the total magnitude of shortening in the Central Andes were mainly controlled by large-scale, inherited upper plate features. In southern Peru, the occurrence of large lineaments observed on surface were considered by Isacks (1988), Jordan et al. (1983), Vicente (1989), Ellison et al. (1989), Carlotto et al. (2009), Acosta et al. (2010a), and several other authors as faults systems. These show similar orientation and structural behavior, and are located along the CC (Ica-Islay-Ilo Faults System, IIIFS) and along the WC (Cincha-LLuta-Incapuquio Faults System, CLLIFS).

These features were firstly considered by Cobbing and Pitcher (1972), Ellison et al. (1989) and Roperch et al. (2006) as response to deformational patterns in southern Peru, as documented similarly in northern Chile with Domeyko and Atacama faults (e.g. García et al., 1999; Charrier et al., 2005). According to Jacay et al. (2002), Müller et al. (2002), Sempere and Jacay (2006) and Acosta et al. (2012), the structural behavior of southern Peruvian forearc consists of transcurrent displacements with normal and reverse components. Large counterclockwise tectonic rotations appears closely related to these displacements (Roperch and Carlier, 1992; Roperch et al., 2006). According to the latter authors, such rotations have started apparently in Middle to Late Eocene, showing at Oligocene the largest counterclockwise rotations that affected the southern Peruvian forearc (i.e. ~-50°, purple arrows near to Caravelí in Fig. 4.11A). Several arguments support the statement of intense sinistral transcurrent deformation in southern Peruvian forearc.

Between ~25 and ~14 Ma (or before), creation of accommodation space within the Moquegua Basin occurred simultaneously with ~N-S and ~NW-SE synsedimentary normal faults very possibly along large valleys (for instance, Majes-Camaná, Ocoña, Vitor, and conceivably the Punta del Bombón Valleys) (see dotted blue lines in Fig. 4.13A), which at the same time, could acted also as paleo-drainages. These paleo-drainages supported discharges of minor proportions of sediments from the *balanced-fill fluvio-lacustrine* Moquegua basin (MoqC unit) onto the Camaná Basin and joined the coarse-grained deltas of CamA unit.

This arrangement is consistent with the behavior of large shear-type deformational stresses attributed to occur in the Pacific Piedmont (cf. Lamb et al., 2001; Roperch and Carlier, 1992; Roperch et al., 2006), and reflect tensional stresses. The influence of tensional stresses (see red arrows in Fig. 4.13A) is consistent with the presence of thick depocentres of MoqC unit along the Majes-Camaná

Valley (see Fig. 4.3). In this context, we consider that such ~25 Ma marine ingress is a product of an over-stressed ~NW-SE or ~W-E tensional pulse instead of a sea-level rise, and allowed marine waters invading some parts of the Pacific Piedmont, although ephemerally.

On the other hand, Late Miocene deposits of both the MoqD and CamB units followed the same pathway and their depositions extended very probably until offshore (Alván et al., 2014).

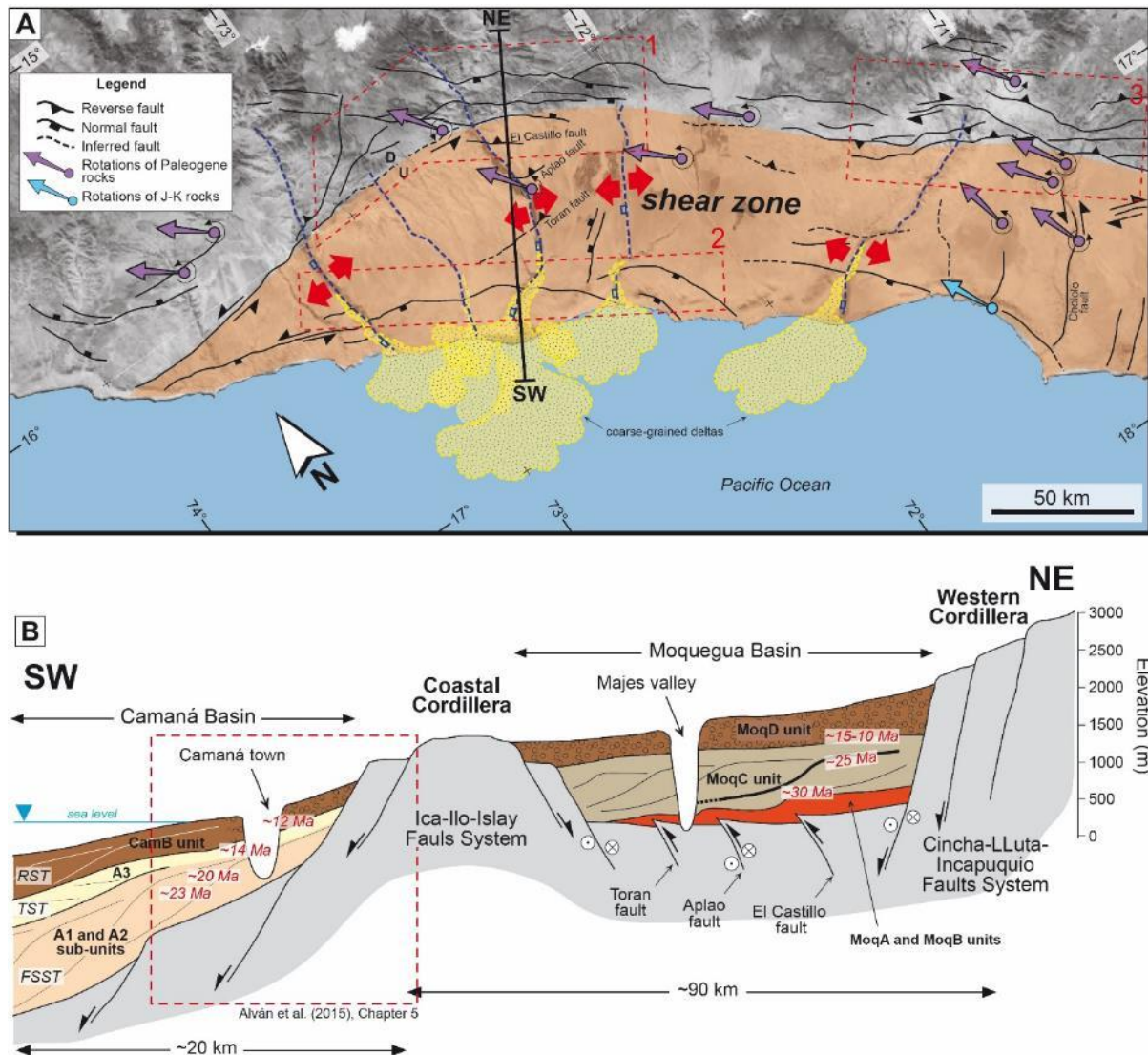


Fig. 4.13. Southern Peruvian forearc at present day. In A: Structural map showing the Cincha-LLuta-Incapuquio (CLLIFS) and the Ica-Ilo-Islay (IIIFS) Faults Systems. Paleomagnetic tectonic rotations and sinistral displacements are indicated in purple and light blue arrows within the study area (Roperch et al., 2006). Red boxes with dotted lines in "A" indicate areas that show particular structural behavior. Box 1: normal faulting (according to Schildgen et al., 2009b). Box 2: normal faulting (according to Alván et al., 2014). Box 3: reverse faulting with positive structural flower (according to Jacay et al., 2002; and Acosta et al., 2010b). In B: Cross-section of the Moquegua and Camaná Basins along the Majes-Camaná Valley.

4.8. Synthesis and conclusions

Cenozoic deposits along the forearc have long played an important role in the Andean geoscientist community because they are the best-preserved and most adequate records to investigate the evolution of Central Andes. We present the main conclusions, focusing on the tectono-sedimentary history of the MoqC and MoqD units of the Moquegua Group in relation to the Camaná Formation based firstly on sediment provenance.

1. Depositional ages of the MoqC and CamA units are very similar, as well as the MoqD and CamB units. Supported by stratigraphic correlations proposed by Alván et al. (2015), strata of sub-unit A1 of the Camaná Formation can be compared in chronology to sub-unit MoqC1 (~30 to ~25 Ma, Decou et al., 2011). Sub-units A2 and A3 (~23 Ma to ~14 Ma, Alván et al., 2015) are partly similar in chronology to sub-unit MoqC2 (~25 to ~15-10 Ma, Decou et al., 2011). Depositional ages of the MoqD and the CamB units are between ~12 Ma and ~4 Ma (Fig. 4.2).
2. Sediments of MoqC unit have been deposited in a “*balanced-fill fluvio-lacustrine basin*”, while sediments of CamA unit have been deposited as coarse-grained deltas in the contiguous Camaná Basin. The definition of a “*balanced-fill fluvio-lacustrine basin*” for MoqC deposition suggests that the accommodation space in the Moquegua Basin has nearly equaled the rate of sediment and water, and they have periodically outflow onto the Camaná Basin; however, in minor and periodical proportions. These minor proportions of sediments have joined the deltas of CamA unit in the Camaná Basin simultaneously to uplift of the Coastal Cordillera, as proved by heavy minerals. Subsequently, sediments of the MoqD unit have been deposited in an “*overfilled fluvio-lacustrine basin*” and their extensions deposited within the Camaná Basin as CamB unit as consequence of drastic uplift of the WC. This definition indicates that the influx of sediment and water has largely exceeded the accommodation space of Moquegua Basin, and it has overflowed onto the Camaná Basin as CamB. Similarities in sedimentary facies and provenance between the MoqD and CamB units are more evident than the underlying strata of MoqC and CamA.
3. Between ~25 and ~14 Ma, the structural behavior of the WC and the CC along the Majes-Camaná Valley consists of differential and simultaneous vertical displacements (uplifts) with sinistral and wrench components, which resemble a transtensional setting. At this stage, uplift of the WC occurred simultaneously to uplift of the CC, where the latter is estimated in <1.5 km until Late Miocene (Figs. 4.12A to 4.12C). Uplift of the WC had a large impact on sedimentation of MoqC unit in the Moquegua Basin (cf. Decou et al., 2013). Simultaneously, uplift of the CC has triggered deposition of CamA unit in Camaná Basin (coarse-grained deltas).
4. On the other hand, shear motions along the Pacific Piedmont are interpreted, where ~N-S and ~NE-SW structures (e.g. Ocoña, Ocoña, Majes-Camaná, and Vitor Valleys) have supported creation of enough accommodation space for deposition of the MoqC unit as depocentres, as well for MoqD unit (Fig. 4.3). We consider that the major vertical-axis counterclockwise rotations in southern Peru (>50°, Roperch and Carlier, 1992; Roperch et al., 2006) are associated with shear components (e.g. Coutland et al., 1999; Lamb, 2001). Accordingly, the statement of ~N-S and/or ~NE-SW faulting as parallel factor in creation of accommodation space instead of global sea-level rise supports consistently our model. Finally, since ~12 Ma, uplift of the WC has largely exceeded the uplift of the CC (~0.5 km, Fig. 4.12C), and triggered protracted deposition of MoqD and CamB.

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Chapter 5:

Stratigraphic architecture and seismic facies of the Cenozoic Camaná-Mollendo basin fill, southern Peruvian forearc (16°25'S to 17°15'S): Insights for basin evolution

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Abstract

The active-margin Camaná-Mollendo Basin is a ~NW-SE elongated depression from the Coastal Cordillera to the Peru-Chile Trench. It is filled with sedimentary rocks of the Cenozoic Camaná Formation. An integration of onshore stratigraphic logs, 2D seismic offshore information, sediment provenance data, and zircon U-Pb geochronology, supports a refined tectono-chronostratigraphic framework for the Camaná-Mollendo Basin fill. To accomplish this integration, we needed to highlight the most prominent features of the Camaná Formation in onshore. In this light, the Camaná Formation consists of two units: "CamA" (coarse-grained deltas) and "CamB" (fluvial deposits). The CamA unit is further sub-divided into three sub-units (A1: >30 to ~25 Ma, A2: ~23 to >20 Ma, and A3: <20 to 14 Ma). CamA reflects prograding (A1 and A2) and onlapping geometries (A3). CamB unit (~12 to ~4 Ma) consists of high-energy fluvial conglomerates in onshore. Each unit and sub-unit reflects similar depositional geometries and systems tracts to their equivalent counterparts in the offshore of Camaná.

In offshore, sub-units A1 and A2 are grouped as "A1+A2" because they show similar progradational geometries. A *regressive systems tract* represents deposition of "A1+A2". These deposits reach up to ~2.5 km thick, and they are intensely affected by normal and listric faulting. Sub-unit A3 deposits reflect a later *transgressive systems tract*, and blanket the entire basin. These deposits are up to ~1 km thick, being less affected by synsedimentary tectonic. Deposition of CamB unit turned deltaic and progradational in offshore and occurred during a later *regressive systems tract*. CamB deposits are much less affected by synsedimentary faulting.

The stratigraphic boundaries between "A1+A2" and A3, and between A3 and CamB observed in onshore are used as tool to differentiate and correlate the main depositional geometries in the Camaná-Mollendo Basin fill. In offshore, high-frequency seismic reflectors represents such boundaries, and additionally mark their geometrical contrasts vertically and support the divisions of the Camaná Formation. These boundaries are additionally used to define depocentres of the Camaná Formation along the basin, where the thickest are located in the proximity of the large river mouths (e.g. Planchada, Camaná, and Punta del Bombón). Deposits of "A1+A2" are considered as potential reservoir for hydrocarbon due to their high rate of sediment accumulation. Deposits of A3 are

transgressive and they are considered as potential potential seal rock. The Camaná Basin is a wrench-related basin with structural components similar to those of a pull-apart system. This possible structural setting is strongly linked to synsedimentary transtensive stresses that might have resulted in ~NW-SE and ~N-S graben systems in offshore.

Keywords: Camaná-Mollendo Basin, sequence stratigraphy, offshore seismic facies, Central Andes

5.1. Introduction

Since the 1980's, models on stratigraphy of sequences for Cenozoic deposits in southern Peruvian forearc were based on Cenozoic eustatic cycles (e.g. Macharé et al., 1986; Marocco and Muizon, 1988; DeVries, 1998). However, in an active tectonic setting like the subduction of the Nazca Plate beneath South America, where uplift and crustal thickening is active (e.g. Jordan et al., 1983; Mahlburg-Kay et al., 2005; Oncken et al., 2006), sedimentary stacking patterns depend largely on other factors (i.e. subsidence and/or uplift) and can rule the sedimentation style. Thus, stacking patterns in a tectonically-active sedimentary basin will definitely reflect tectonic effects, more than purely eustatic influences (e.g. Williams, 1993; Hardenbol et al., 1998). We consider that deposits of the Cenozoic Camaná Formation are especially suited to study the interplay of the factors that control forearc geodynamics and resulting sediment dispersal in southern Peruvian forearc.

Interpreting the geodynamic evolution and its sedimentary response in the Camaná-Mollendo Basin (Fig. 5.1A) is the main goal of this chapter. Using an integration of (i) a detailed chronostratigraphic framework of the Camaná Formation in onshore (U-Pb geochronology), (ii) analysis of ~647 km of offshore 2D seismic profiles, and (iii) sediment provenance data of the Camaná Formation, allows establishing a consistent geodynamic model that explains the evolution of the Camaná-Mollendo Basin. Additionally, we propose a refined sequence stratigraphic model for the Camaná Formation, and a structural framework for the entire Camaná-Mollendo Basin, to explain the complex relationship between Cenozoic sedimentation, and timing of uplift of the Coastal Cordillera.

5.2. Geological setting

Variations in plate convergence parameters of the subducting Nazca plate beneath the South American continent triggered differences in the subduction rate and obliquity in the Central Andes since its starting age (at around Late Jurassic or Late Cretaceous, Pardo-Casas and Molnar, 1987; Isacks, 1988). Such differences have affected the upper plate and resulted in differential deformation, shortening, crustal thickening, and uplift (Jordan et al., 1983; Mahlburg-Kay et al., 2005; Oncken et al., 2006). Cenozoic geodynamics in the Central Andes are typically featured by alternations of episodes of subsidence and uplift in some parts of the forearc (von Huene et al., 1985; Macharé et al., 1986) which have influenced on sedimentation since Eocene (e.g. Scheuber et al., 2006). For instance, the most relevant sedimentary deposits are located in the Altiplano and the forearc (Marocco and Noblet, 1990).

Southern Peruvian forearc comprises large asymmetric structural depressions that are filled with Cenozoic sediments (i.e. Pisco, Camaná, and Moquegua Basins, Fig. 5.1A), and are parallel to the general striking of the southern Peruvian Andes (Sébrier et al., 1988; Palacios, 1995; PERUPETRO, 2003). Such deposits are distributed between the Western Cordillera and the Peruvian trench, lying above the Proterozoic and Paleozoic basement (e.g. Arequipa Massif, San Nicolas Batholith, and the Mitu and Ambo Groups, Pecho and Morales, 1969). The southern Peruvian forearc contains two cordilleras that are related to generation of sediments for Cenozoic basins (e.g. Decou et al., 2011, 2013; Alván et al., 2015). These cordilleras are (i) the Western Cordillera, which is affected by the ~NW-SE-oriented Cincha-LLuta-Incapuquio Faults System (CLLIFS), and (ii) the Coastal Cordillera, which contains the ~NW-SE-oriented Ica-Ilo-Islay Faults System (IIIFS) (Sempere and Jacay, 2006; Acosta et al., 2010a) (Fig. 5.1B).

The Coastal Cordillera divides two Cenozoic forearc deposits i.e. the Moquegua Group and the Camaná Formation (Rüegg, 1968; Pecho and Morales, 1969; Sébrier et al., 1984). The internal forearc (or Pacific Piedmont) is filled with continental sediments termed Moquegua Group (Pecho and Morales, 1969; Marocco et al., 1985). The external forearc (coastal range) is filled with sediments of the Camaná Formation (Rivera, 1950). The Camaná Formation crops out between Planchada (16°25'S) and Punta del Bombón (17°15'S), showing up to ~500 m thick uplift-related coarse-grained deltas and fluvial deposits (Alván and von Eynatten, 2014; Alván et al., 2015). These deposits form a ~NW-SE elongated sedimentary deposit overlapping the Proterozoic and Paleozoic rocks (in onshore), and facing the Pacific Ocean. According to PERUPETRO (2003) the Mollendo Basin (Fig. 5.1A) is located in the

offshore of the Arequipa region, and considered that possibly extends onto offshore as prolongation of the Camaná Formation. Here, we consider as Camaná Basin fill, to the deposits that are located in onshore, Mollendo Basin fill as the deposits that are in the offshore, and Camaná-Mollendo Basin fill to refer to both onshore and offshore deposits.

5.2.1. Chronostratigraphic architecture of the Camaná-Mollendo Basin

On the basis of facies analysis and establishing of sequence boundaries, the Camaná Formation was divided into two depositional units, (i) CamA and (ii) CamB, and CamA is further subdivided into sub-units A1, A2, and A3 (Alván and von Eynatten, 2014) (Fig. 5.2). We consider that most of Cenozoic volcanism in Central Andes (~30–4 Ma) is simultaneous to sedimentation in southern Peru (e.g. Marocco and Noblet, 1990; Noble et al., 1990; Decou et al., 2011; Mamani et al., 2010a). Accordingly, youngest U-Pb age components of reworked ash within the Camaná Formation resemble closely its sedimentation age (e.g. Bowring and Schmitz, 2003; von Eynatten and Dunkl, 2012) (see red numbers in Fig. 5.2).

Reddish sandstones of sub-unit A1 consist of mouth bar deposits and distributary channels of a delta. There are no Cenozoic ages for A1. Nonetheless, given the onset of intense volcanism of the ~24–10 Ma Huaylillas volcanic arc (Mamani et al., 2010a), and similarities in heavy mineral composition with the ~30–25 Ma MoqC1 of the Moquegua Group (Alván et al., 2015), the sub-unit A1 is inferred as Late Oligocene.

Sub-unit A2 consists of coarse-grained deltaic deposits arranged in progradational clinothem. Sub-unit A3 consists of delta front to prodelta deposits arranged in onlapping deposits interbedded with local fluvial conglomerates. Zircon youngest U-Pb age components within the sub-units A2 and A3, yield ages of ~23, ~21, ~20, and ~14 Ma, spanning the Early Miocene to early Middle Miocene (~9 Myr, Alván et al., 2015). The CamB unit consists of a ~200 m-thick stacking of fluvial conglomerates dated at the base at <12 Ma (late Middle Miocene) to Pliocene (Alván et al., 2015). Erosional surfaces in-between each depositional unit (i.e. "A1+A2"-A3 and A3-CamB) mark stratigraphic boundaries, and are useful to start formulating arguments for stratigraphic correlations in offshore.

5.3. Morphology of the basin

In onshore, the best preserved and thickest stackings of the Camaná Formation are located at the river mouths of the large valleys at La Chira (16°30'S), Camaná (16°38'S), La Virgen (16°43'S), and Punta del Bombón (17°15'S) (Pecho and Morales, 1969; Sempere et al., 2004; Roperch et al., 2006). The Camaná-Mollendo Basin fill shows in offshore a smooth downslope below ~900 m depth, showing moreover gradients of ~5° in average and forms sedimentary complexes that extend from the shelf down to the slope. There, three submarine canyons roughly ~NE-SW-oriented i.e. Ocoña, Camaná, and Quilca (blue dotted lines in Fig. 5.1B) and ~NW-SE-oriented fault scarps are prominent (Alván et al., 2014). The Ocoña Canyon extends up to ~1700 m depth, the Camaná Canyon up to ~4000 m depth, the Quilca Canyon up to ~3000 m depth. Fault scarps are mostly ~NW-SE oriented, and are visible along the sea floor up to the offshore of northern Chile (von Huene et al., 1996).

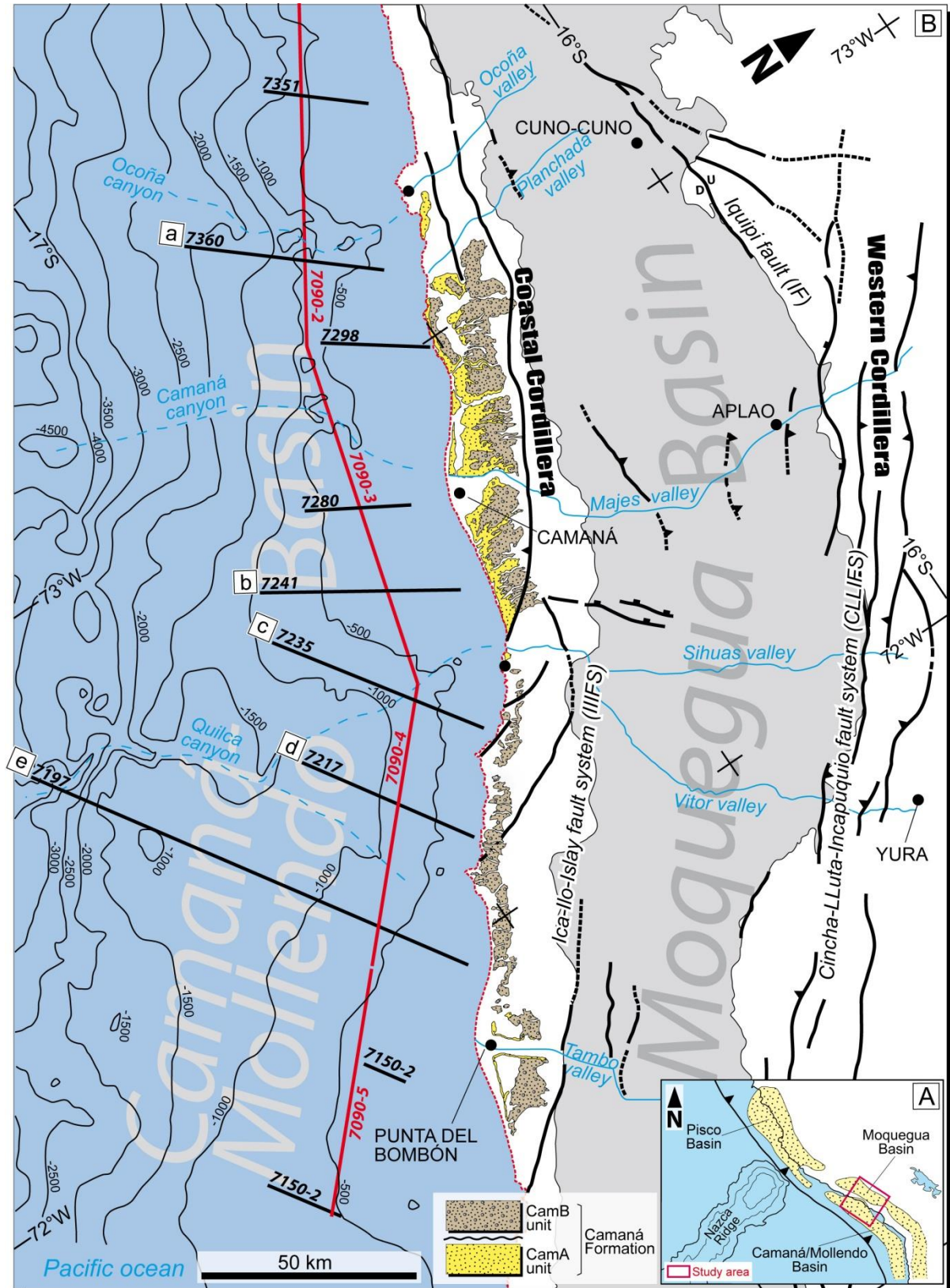


Fig. 5.1. Map of the study area (Province of Camaná, Arequipa) and data used. In A: Inset map shows position of the Pisco, Moquegua and Camaná-Mollendo Basins. In B: Map showing the position of seismic lines. In offshore, black lines represent ~NE-SW data, and red lines indicate ~NW-SE data. Letters within white box represent interpreted seismic lines in Figures 5.3 and 5.4.

5.4. Sequence stratigraphy of the Camaná Formation (onshore)

Alván and von Eynatten (2014) and Alván et al. (2014) presented a refined sequence stratigraphic model for the Camaná Formation (Fig. 5.2), which suggest contrasts in relation to the global sea-level fluctuations. This definition allowed highlighting influence of tectonics for each sub-division of the Camaná Formation. The sub-unit A1 cannot be attributed to a specific systems tract itself because of its limited exposures (up to 10 m thick, Playa La Chira); however, A1 shares some facies features with the sub-unit A2 and they both can be tentatively considered within the same depositional trend.

Reddish sandstones of sub-unit A1 are bounded at the base by a notorious basal unconformity (*bu*) and on top by the basal surface of (probably forced) regression (*bsfr*). Clinothem of the sub-unit A2 show a pronounced progradational stacking pattern, where sediment input strongly exceeded accommodation space. These clinothem suggest a *regressive systems tract* occurred during Early Miocene (or even since Oligocene). Such regression may even have been forced (*falling stage systems tract*), which is also driven by a relative sea-level fall (e.g. Catuneanu, 2002). The sub-unit A2 is bounded at the base by a *bsfr* if lies above deposits of sub-unit A1 (e.g. La Chira, north Camaná) and lies above a *bu*, if these deposits lie directly above the basement (e.g. Puente Camaná). Sub-unit A2 is bounded on top by a maximum regressive surface (*mrs*) (see Fig. 5.2).

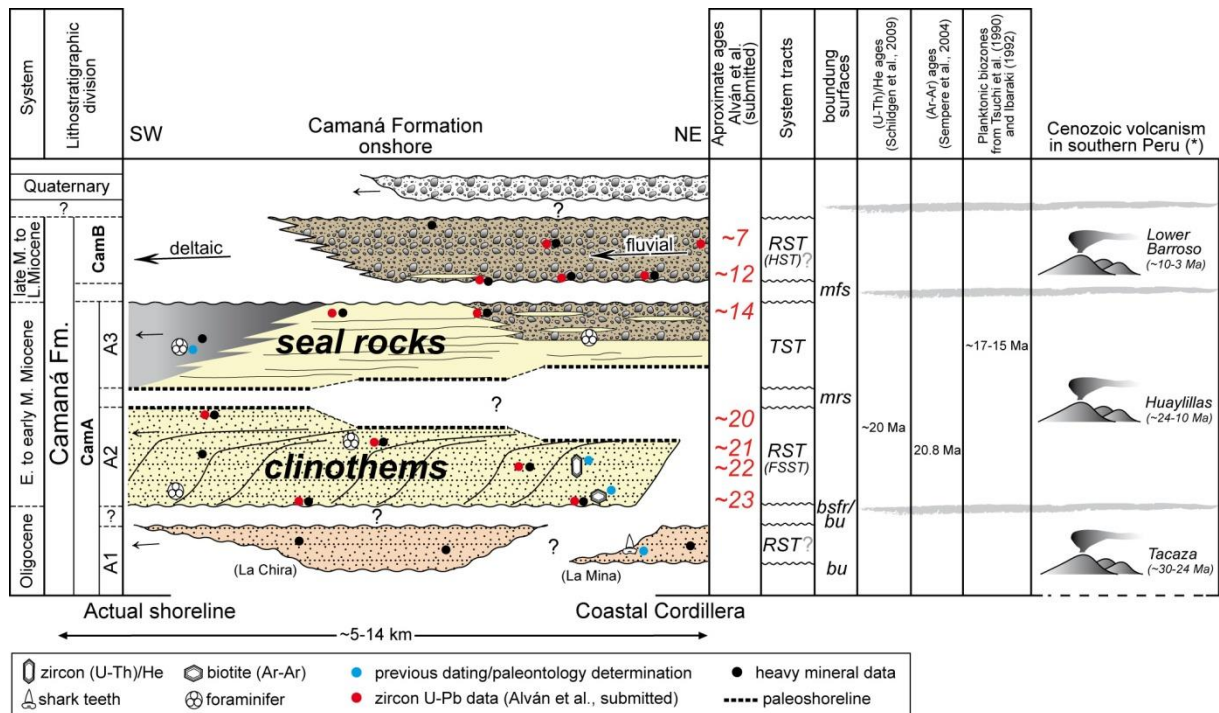


Fig. 5.2. Wheeler-type diagram of the Camaná Formation (onshore). A1 consists of mouth bars and distributary channels tentatively assigned to the Oligocene. A2 is defined as progradational clinothem formed during a *falling stage systems tract* in ~Early Miocene. The grouping "A1+A2" is Late Oligocene to Early Miocene (~30 to ~20 Ma). A3 consists of onlapping deltaic layers deposited during a *transgressive systems tract* in the ~late late Early Miocene to early Middle Miocene (<20 to ~14 Ma). CamB is deposited during a *regressive systems tract* (or *highstand systems tract*) in the late Middle Miocene to ?Pliocene (<12 Ma). Abbreviations: *bu* = basal unconformity, *bsfr* = basal surface of forced regression, *mrs* = maximum regressive surface, *mfs* = maximum flooding surface.

A change on depositional geometry is observed above *mrs* because during deposition of the sub-unit A3, relative sea-level rise outpaced sedimentation rates and resulted in onlapping deposition. This deposition is considered to have occurred during a *transgressive systems tract* between late Early Miocene and early Middle Miocene (<20 to ~14 Ma). Such relative sea-level rise continued until the completion of the deposition of the sub-unit A3. Sub-unit A3 is bounded on top by a notorious

maximum flooding surface (*mfs*). CamB unit is observed in onshore as fluvial progradational conglomerates that presumably have formed during a regression (probably a *highstand systems tract*). However, CamB unit extends to offshore as a deltaic progradation (see Section 5.5.2.4).

Haq et al. (1987) described 2nd order eustatic cycles (sequence cycles ranging between 2 and 50 Ma) showing a transgressive major cycle since the Late Oligocene (Chattian) to Early Miocene, which is apparently chronologically comparable to the sub-units A1 and A2 of CamA unit. The transgressive global curve of Haq et al. (1987) strongly contrasts with the regressive trend of sub-units A1 and A2. Hence, a striking tectonic uplift of the Coastal Cordillera is deduced and outpaces the global sea-level rise. However, the later transgressive deposition of A3 occurred during the ~late Early Miocene to ~early Middle Miocene is consistent with the general eustatic rise reported by Haq et al. (1987).

However, during deposition of the sub-unit A3, minor uplift affecting some area of the Western Cordillera and/or the Pacific Piedmont is thought to have occurred during this period, which is reflected in conglomerates within A3 (see Fig. 5.2) marking the onset of a shift in sediment provenance. Hence, minor and probably local pulses of uplift have also affected the Camaná Basin during the Middle Miocene eustatic rise. Since the late Middle Miocene to Pleistocene, Haq et al. (1987) proposed regressive cycles with short and minor transgressive stages. This is consistent with deposition of CamB; however, deposition of CamB reflects rapid uplift in the hinterland (Western Cordillera and/or Pacific Piedmont, e.g. Schildgen et al., 2009b; Alván et al., 2015), and they have influenced sedimentation more than eustatic or climate-driven factors. Once established the stratigraphic sequence model, we proceed to extend the bounding surfaces of the Camaná Formation onto its offshore equivalents.

5.5. Offshore seismic interpretation

5.5.1. Methodology

The data used to study the Mollendo Basin fill have been acquired from seismic campaigns by the Compagnie Generale de Geophysique (CGG) for PERUPETRO in 1982, using air canyons for shooting with a source depth of 5,5 seconds (marine seismic reflection). Here we present new and improved reinterpretations of the seismic information of this basin fill (after Vega, 2002 and PERUPETRO, 2003). Despite acquisition of seismic data was accomplished with 30 year-old technology, the data responded to the identification of a “back stop” or high-frequency reflectors, which are considered here as major bounding surfaces that exist within the Camaná Formation. The seafloor bathymetry was downloaded from <http://maps.ngdc.noaa.gov/viewers/multibeam/> (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration NOAA), and an approximation of the relation between TWT (two way time) and deepness is suggested. We managed interpreting our seismic data by characterizing and recognizing the most prominent features that can resemble deltaic geometry, and differentiate its different stacking patterns, besides its bounding surfaces. The seismic interpretation has been accomplished by analysing two groups of seismic lines (see red and black lines in offshore, Fig. 5.1B).

- (i) The first group consists of ten seismic lines ~NE-SW-oriented, roughly perpendicular to the shoreline and parallel to the orientation of sediment influx. They are (1) 7370 (Atico), ~19 km length, (2) 7351 (Cerro de Arena), ~20 km length, (3) 7360 (Ocoña, Fig. 5.3a), ~42 km length, (4) 7298 (La Chira), ~22 km length, (5) 7280 (Camaná), ~20 km length, (6) 7241-1 (La Virgen, Fig. 5.3b), ~40 km length, (7) 7235 (Mollendo, Fig. 5.3c), ~46 km length, (8) 7235 (Punta Islay, Fig. 5.6a), ~63 km length, (9) 7197 (Punta del Bombón, Fig. 5.4b), ~99 km length, and (10) 7150-2 (Guardianía), ~16 km length (~366 km length in total). However, we show in this manuscript the five largest and most complete lines of the database.
- (ii) The second group consists of three seismic lines ~NW-SE-oriented, parallel to the actual shoreline and the cordilleras in the southern Peruvian forearc. These lines are (1) 7090-2 (Atico-Ocoña, Fig. 5.5a), ~60 km length, (2) 7090-3 (La Chira-Quilca, Fig. 5.5b), ~77 m length,

and (3) 7090-4 (Quebrada Honda-Punta del Bombón, Fig. 5.5c), ~47 km length, (~184 km length in total).

Because seismic lines are the graphic representation of the response of different structural features and sedimentary stacking when a seismic wave passes (Vail et al., 1977), we consider that the geometry of the end of the seismic reflectors is a tool to identify geometries, i.e. truncations, onlaps, downlaps, toplaps, and offlaps (e.g. Catuneanu 2002; Catuneanu et al., 2009). Thus, our correlation begins with the tracing of high-frequency reflectors considered as bounding surfaces, which divide the depositional units (i) "A1+A2", (ii) A3, and (iii) CamB unit. We refer to the grouping "A1+A2" (pink deposits in Figs. 5.3, 5.4 and 5.5) because they show similar sedimentary facies and also because both were formed during a *regressive systems tract* (Alván and von Eynatten, 2014). We merge information of the (i) ~NW-SE-oriented and (ii) ~NE-SW-oriented, for each sub-unit and assign them into a specific systems tract, in order to provide a further location and estimation of depocentres thickness (Fig. 5.6).

5.5.2. Seismic facies

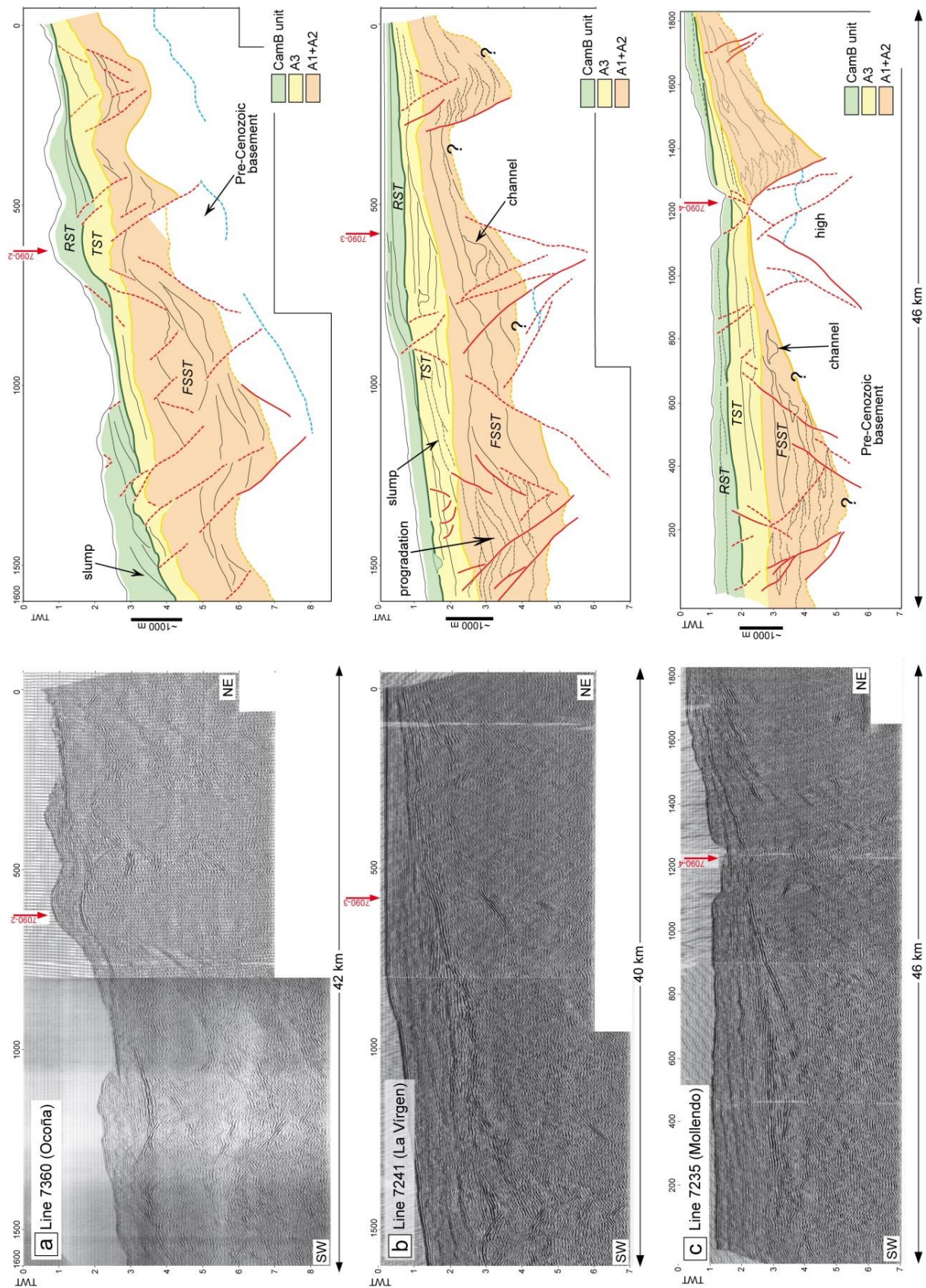
5.5.2.1. Basement

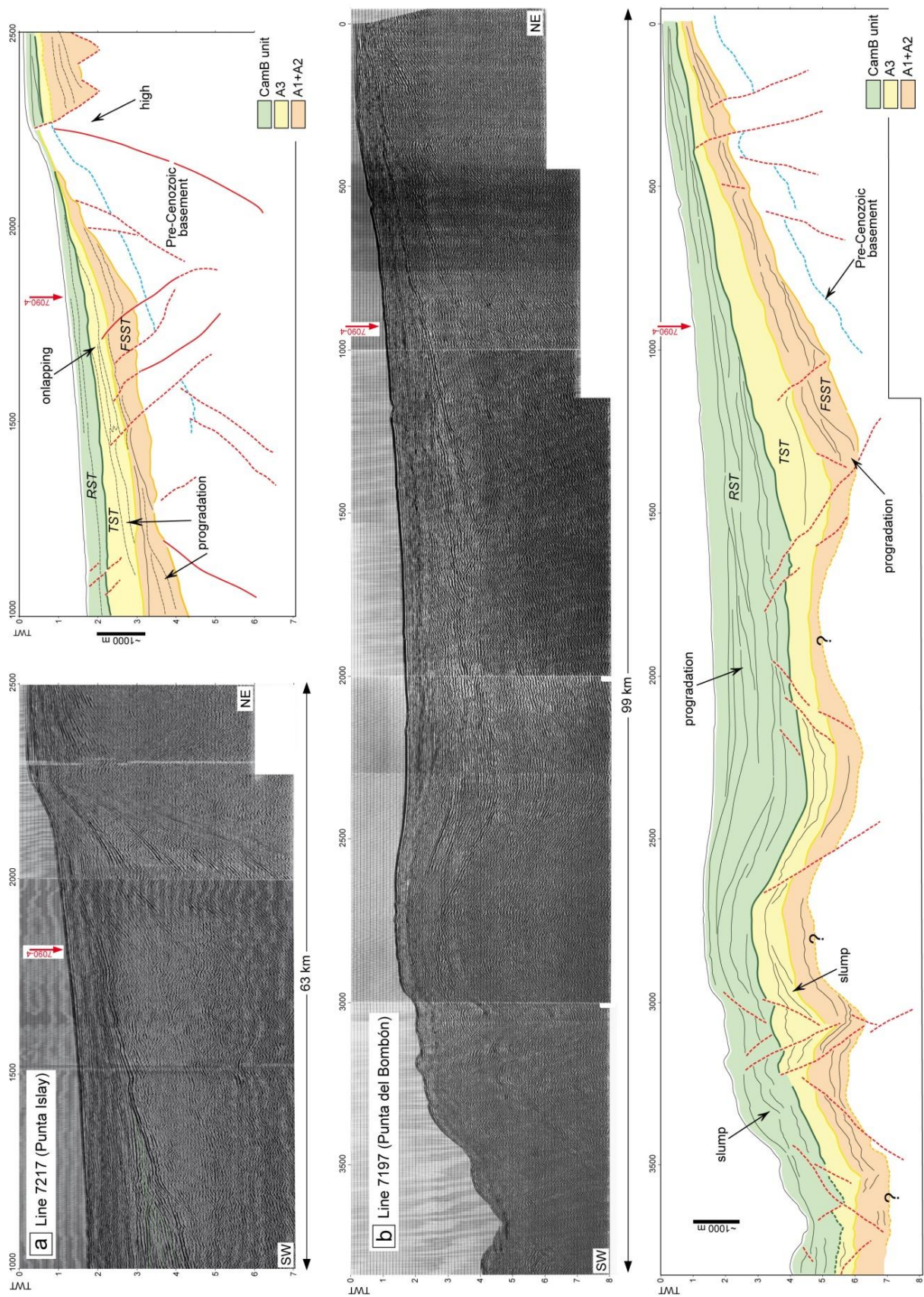
The basement in the onshore of Camaná consists of the Arequipa Massif, San Nicolas Batholith, and the Ambo and Mitu Groups (Pecho and Morales, 1969). However, in offshore it is difficult to observe convincing seismic facies or reflectors that permit identify or even discriminate them, or recognize additional basements. Nonetheless, some reflectors show seismic facies similar to a crystalline basement and stratal geometry with truncated terminations (?Mesozoic and/or ?Paleozoic strata, line 7360, Fig. 5.3a, and line 7217, e.g. Fig. 5.4a). Normal faulting shows ~NW-SE (or ~N-S?) synthetic and antithetic components that presumably controlled deposition of the Camaná Formation. Lines 7090-2, 7090-3, and 7090-4 show the basement commonly affected by ~NE-SW normal faulting dipping NW and SE in the near of the Ocoña Canyon. We consider such ~NE-SW-oriented faults as components of graben-type system, which are thought to form basement highs (Figs. 5.3b and 5.3c).

5.5.2.2. "A1+A2": *regressive systems tract* (falling stage systems tract)

Sub-units A1 and A2 ("A1+A2") overlie the Pre-Cenozoic basement above a basal unconformity (*bu*). Seismic lines ~NE-SW-oriented show that deposits of A1+A2 seems progradational clinothems with several filled channels showing stratal terminations such as offlaps and downlaps oriented to ~SW (see Figs. 5.3a and 5.3b). The thickest sedimentary stackings are observed in lines 7280 (Camaná), 7241 (La Virgen, Fig. 5.3b), and 7197 (Punta del Bombón, up to ~3 km thick, Fig. 5.4b). Abundant normal faulting showing an apparently ~NW-SE orientation appears as growth faulting (listric), and they are typically observed in deposits of A1+A2. There, sediment thickness is higher close to the fault plane, and pinches out laterally (e.g. the vicinity of the Ocoña, Quilca, and Punta del Bombón submarine canyons, and Playa La Chira (see left side of the seismic line 7090-3, Fig. 5.5.b).

Fig. 5.3. (next page) Seismic lines ~NE-SW-oriented. Faulting is shown as red dashed and continued lines. Contact between the Pre-Cenozoic basement and the Camaná Formation is unclear.





Deposits of A1+A2 are separated of A3 by a high frequency reflector interpreted as a maximum flooding surface (*mrs*), which highlights drastic changes on stratal geometry. Lines ~NW-SE-oriented confirm that deposits of A1+A2 are the most tectonically affected deposits of the Camaná-Mollendo Basin fill, mostly showing faulting (as appear) very probably perpendicular to the actual shoreline (Fig. 5.5) and roughly parallel to the ~NE-SW valleys and submarine canyons that are observed in the forearc and offshore. Most of these faults are normal, and they are prolongations of ~NW-SE-oriented graben-type structures inherited from the basement (lines 7235, Mollendo in Fig. 5.3c and 7241, La Virgen in Fig. 5.3b). The high amount of normal faulting (~NW-SE and ~NE-SW) that affect deposits of A1+A2, besides the presence of strong reflectors (*mrs*), allowed us to recognize and state the boundary between A1+A2 and A3. Deposits of A1+A2 are Oligocene to Early Miocene, and they are considered to reflect a *regressive systems tract* (most probably a *falling stage systems tract FSST*).

5.5.2.3. A3: *transgressive systems tract*

Lines ~NW-SE-oriented show deposits of the sub-unit A3 lying above a high frequency reflector which we considered as a *mrs*. Lines ~NE-SW-oriented (lines 7241, La Virgen, in Fig. 5.3b; and 7235, Mollendo, in Fig. 5.3c) reveal that sub-unit A3 show aggradational and even retrogradational geometries with abundant onlap terminations predominantly ~NE-oriented with minor channelized bodies. In this context, we consider that the onlap-dominated deposits are indicator of a relative sea-level rise that has exceeded the proportion of sediment influx onto the Camaná-Mollendo basin (*transgressive systems tract*). Another relevant feature to distinguish strata of A3 is the minor amount of faulting compared to the underlying A1+A2. Despite faulting is minor, they show little synsedimentary displacements (slumps?). Generally, thickness of sub-unit A3 is lesser than that of A1+A2; however, sub-unit A3 shows more thickness than A1+A2 in the vicinity of Planchada (right part of seismic line 7090-2, Fig. 5.5a) and Punta del Bombón (right side of seismic line 7090-4, Fig. 5.5b).

Gravitational deformations i.e. slumps and olistostromes are common in A3, as observed in line 7241 (La Virgen, in Fig. 5.3b). Faulting is commonly attributed to gravitational factors related to an increase in the sedimentation rate capable to induce slumps. Deposits of A3 are marked on top by a bounding surface (*mfs*). This *mfs* is supported by its high frequency reflectance and the progradational features of the overlying deposition (interpreted as CamB) and a high-frequency reflector (e.g. line 7241, La Virgen, Fig. 5.3b). Deposits of A3 can be considered as potential seal rock, and they can be correlated to the strata of the Middle Miocene Pisco Formation of the Pisco Basin (see Section 5.8). Sub-unit A3 is late Early Miocene to early Middle Miocene in age (<20 to ~14 Ma), and it was deposited during a *transgressive systems track*.

Fig. 5.4. (page before) Seismic lines ~NE-SW-oriented. Faulting is shown in red dashed and continued lines.

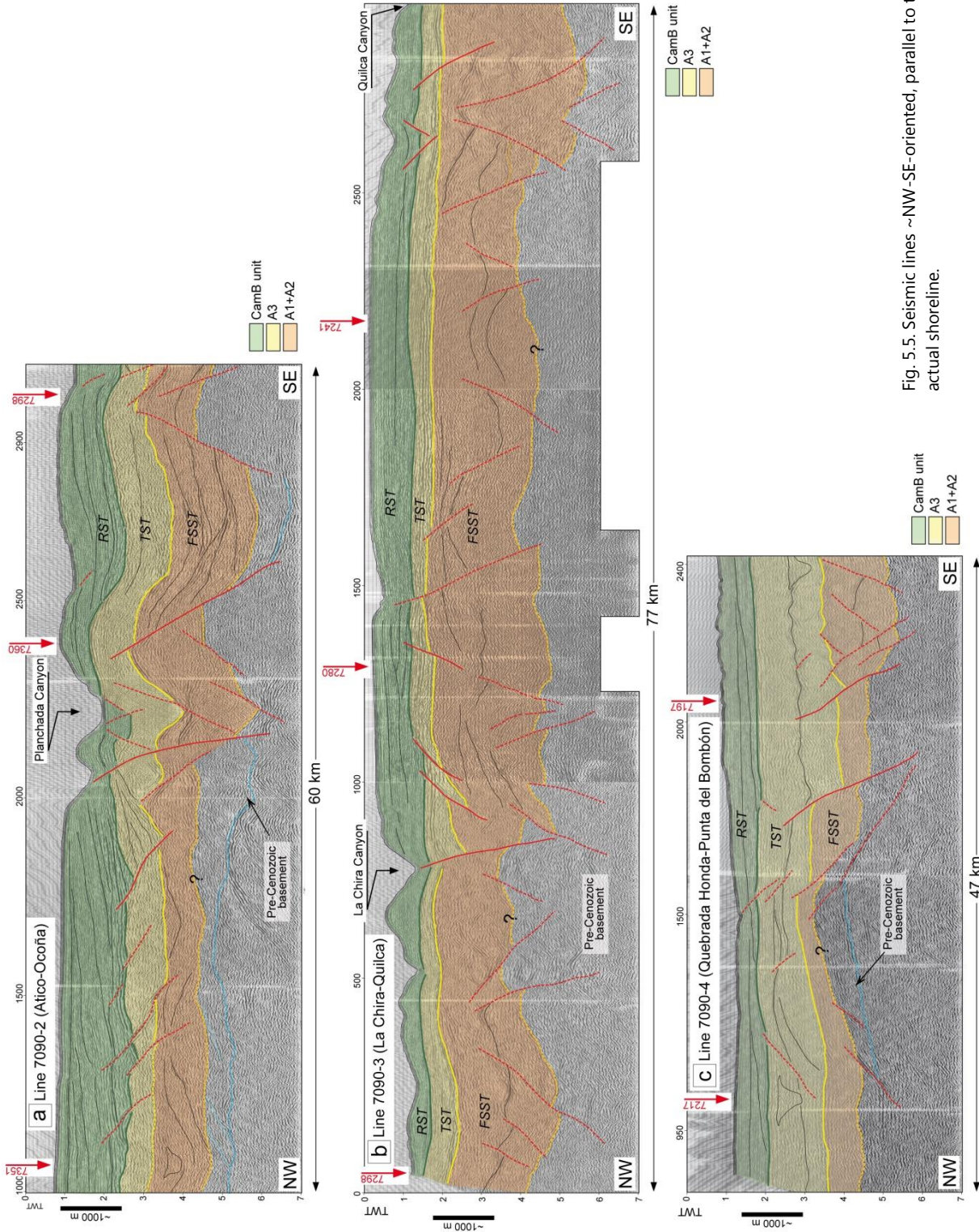


Fig. 5.5. Seismic lines ~NW-SE-oriented, parallel to the actual shoreline.

5.5.2.4. CamB: regressive systems tract (highstand systems tract)

CamB unit lies above a maximum flooding surface (*mfs*). Conglomerates of CamB unit seen in onshore change in facies to deposits that are similar to deltaic prograding and downlapping as observed in offshore. Progradational geometries and downlapping terminations are observed in most of CamB deposits (e.g. lines 7280, Camaná; 7241, La Virgen; and 7197, Punta del Bombón). Lines ~NE-SW-oriented reveal that strata of CamB are not so far affected by synsedimentary tectonics; however, few graben-type fault scarps are observed in the lines, and they also can be traced along the marine floor (~96 km from Pescadores to Punta del Bombón, Fig. 5.6). Deposits of CamB unit show similar depositional geometry and probably similar nature to A1+A2; however, CamB deposits do not present significant synsedimentary faulting, if present, they are restricted and isolated (can be interpreted as gravitational-slides or slumps). Deposits of CamB are relatively thin in almost all seismic lines (e.g. line 7217, Punta Islay, ~500 m thick, Fig. 5.4a), but in Pescadores, Camaná, and Punta del Bombón, whereas systems of ~NE-SW normal faulting are shown exceptionally concentrated (up to ~2 km thick, Fig. 5.5). In onshore, these alignments represent the large actual valleys, and hold the thickest stackings of Camaná Formation, i.e. Pescadores, Camaná, Quilca, and Punta del Bombón Valleys (see below). CamB unit is late Middle Miocene to Pliocene, and it was deposited during a *regressive systems tract*.

5.6. Tectono-sedimentary evolution of the Camaná-Mollendo Basin

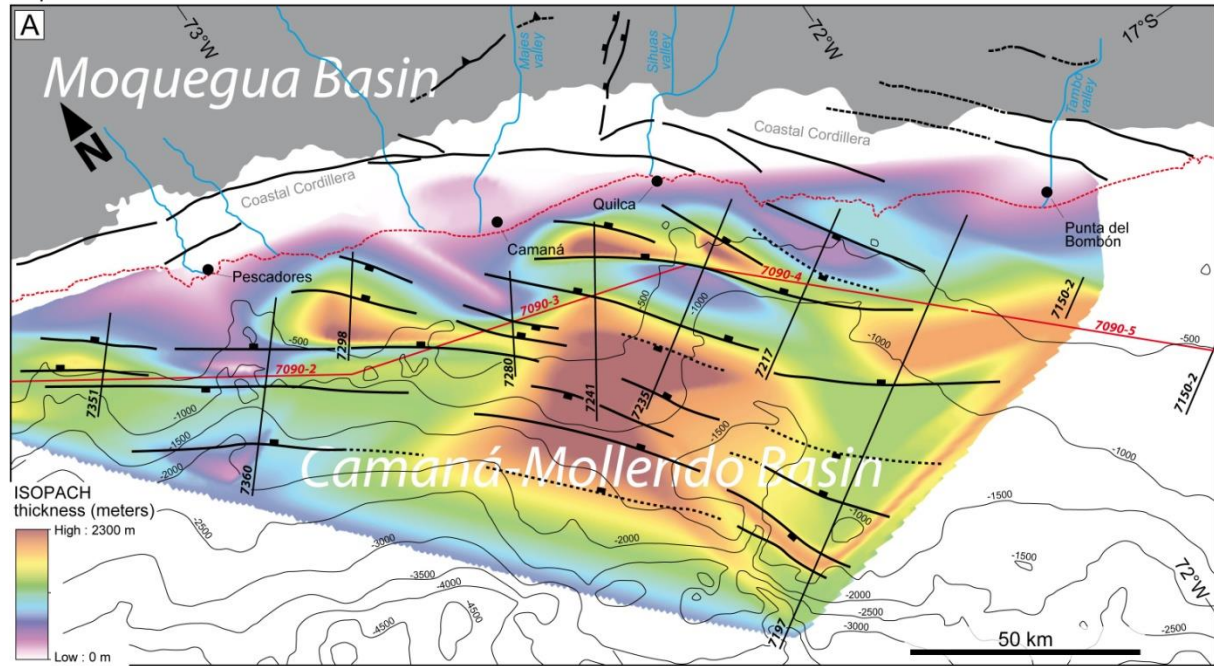
Once defined an improved stratigraphic scheme of the Camaná Formation (Alván and von Eynatten, 2014), we refer to the sedimentary provenance model of the Camaná Formation suggested by Alván et al. (2015). The study of sedimentary provenance is a deductive approach that helps to unravel processes that generated sediments by investigating the sediment itself (von Eynatten and Dunkl, 2012). The results are expected to be intimately related to geodynamics (e.g. in Central Europe, von Eynatten et al., 1999; northern Andes, Bande et al., 2011; in Central Andes, Scheuber et al., 2006; Juez-Larré et al., 2010; Decou et al., 2011, 2013).

Based on multi-methodical analysis i.e. petrography of heavy minerals, geochemical analysis (LA-ICPMS), and U-Pb geochronology of zircons of reworked ash, Alván et al. (2015) stated that sediments of CamA unit show main sediment provenance of the rocks forming the Coastal Cordillera i.e. the San Nicolas Batholith, the Arequipa Massif, and the ~24-10 Ma Huaylillas volcanic arc. Such scenario suggests that between ~30 and ~14 Ma, the Coastal Cordillera has largely influenced on sedimentation by means of its uplift in relation to an assumed creation of accommodation space in the Camaná Basin. In response, coarse-grained deltas of CamA unit deposited forming several depocentres (Fig. 5.6A).

A transtensive tectonic arrangement with components similar to wrench and pull-apart faulting (Fig. 5.7) is interpreted along the Moquegua and Camaná Basins. This arrangement consists of sinistral ~NW-SE wrench faulting that is interpreted to have facilitated uplift of the Coastal Cordillera (probably showing also sinistral behavior, i.e. IIFS; Roperch et al., 2006) as interpreted in the Western Cordillera (Sempere and Jacay, 2006; Alván et al., 2015). The uplift occurred with some subsidence as offsets at the Moquegua and Camaná-Mollendo Basins during deposition of CamA unit (~30 to ~14 Ma). This statement is based on the large amount of ~NE-SW- and ~N-S-oriented synsedimentary faults that acted mostly during sedimentation of the sub-units A1 and A2, and are slightly more dense in the near of the submarine canyons as well as sediment accumulation (e.g. Fig. 5.5a).

Transtensional tectonics occurred in the forearc during Cenozoic (e.g. Roperch et al., 2006; Sempere and Jacay, 2006) and it was progressive, triggering single ~NE-SW elongated depocentres (or sub-basins, e.g. Caravelí sub-basin, Marocco et al., 1985; Huamán, 1985, or pull-apart deposits, Mann et al., 1983; Williams, 1993; McClay and Bonora, 2001). These deposits are termed as the Camaná, La Virgen, and Punta del Bombón offshore depocentres (orange circles in Fig. 5.7).

Deposition of CamA unit



Deposition of CamB unit

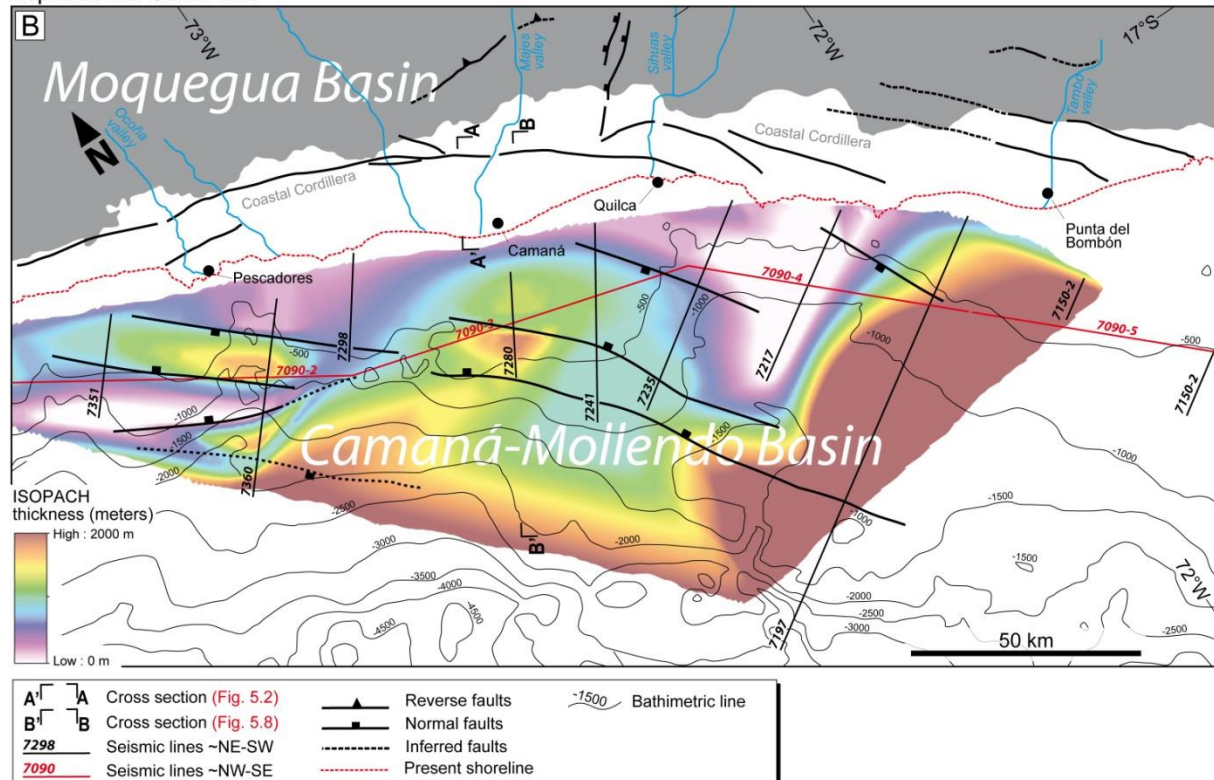
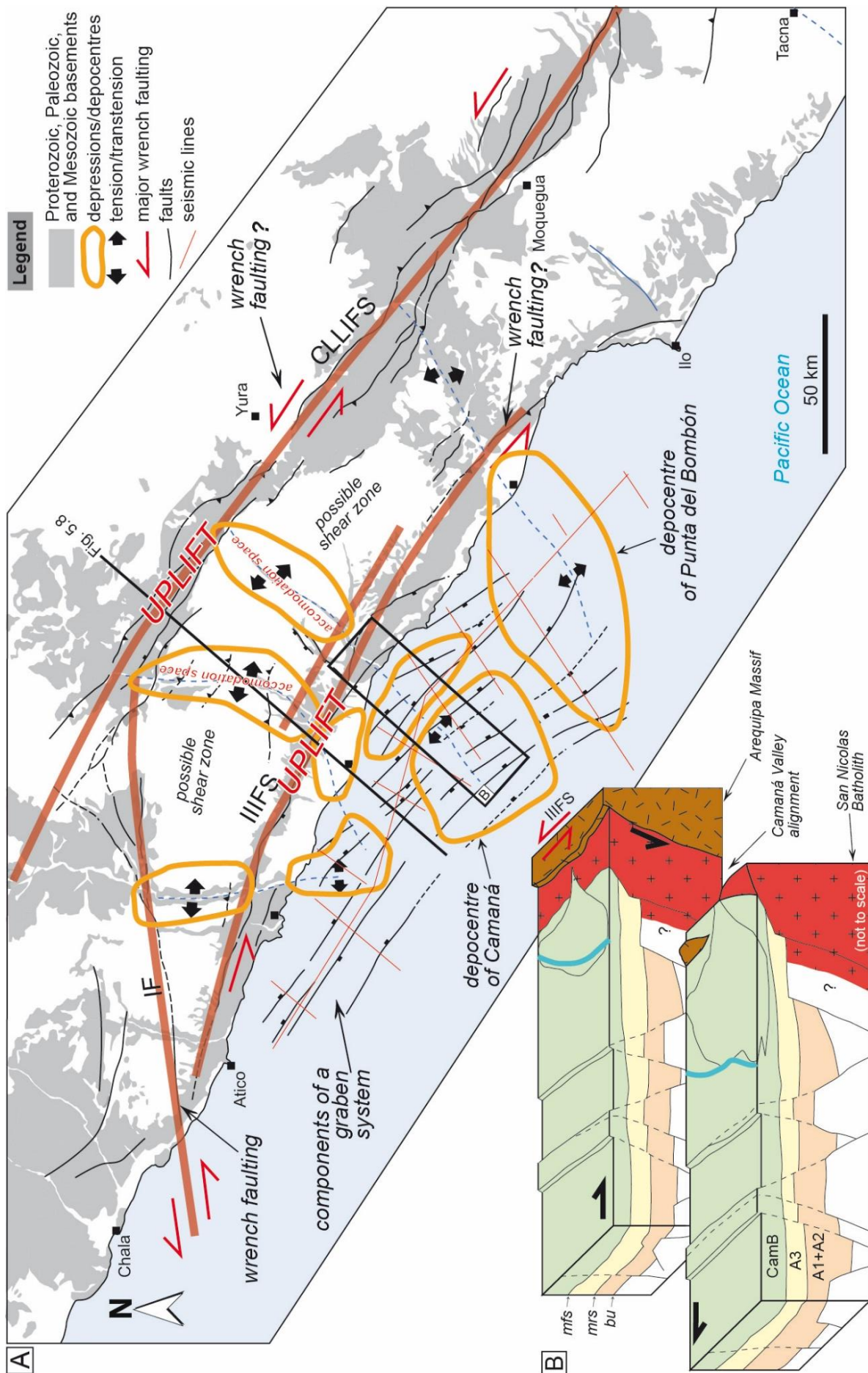


Fig. 5.6. Isopach distributions of the Camaná Formation offshore (Camaná-Mollendo Basin). A: Isopach map of the CamA unit (~30 to ~14 Ma). B: Isopach map of the CamB unit (~12 to ~4 Ma). Proposed thickness of stratigraphic units in offshore is based on information depth of bathymetric maps. Contours were created by triangulating irregular networks using the software ArcGIS v.10.

Fig. 5.7. (next page) Structural style proposed for the Camaná Basin at present day. The Camaná Basin filling is controlled by a graben system. The Camaná Basin is a wrench-related basin, with pull-apart "sub-basins" (or depocentres) and strike-slip faulting.



The statement of progressive tensional and transtensional phases during deposition between ~30 and ~14 Ma may explain some of the broad depocentres and high concentrations of normal faults close to the submarine canyons (see Fig. 5.5). Thus, the Camaná Basin is a wrench-related basin with components that are similar of a pull-apart system.

Conversely, sediments of CamB unit are largely derived from the rocks forming the Western Cordillera and/or the Moquegua Basin, as reflected by source materials from the hinterland Arequipa Massif, Coastal Batholith, Toquepala and Tacaza Groups, and the ~10-3 Ma-old Lower Barroso volcanic products. Such sediments reflect a protracted deposition of the MoqD unit from the Moquegua Basin, and mark a drastic uplift occurred at the Western Cordillera and/or Pacific Piedmont at ~12 Ma ago (e.g. Thouret et al., 2007; Schildgen et al., 2009b). Uplift of the Western Cordillera since ~12 Ma has exceeded largely the uplift of the Coastal Cordillera (Alván et al., in revision), while tectonics in offshore are probably minor than in the both Western and Coastal Cordilleras. Probably because of this difference, deposits of CamB show lesser evidences of synsedimentary faulting than the strata underlying. CamB unit consists of fluvial facies in onshore, and very probably turns to deltaic deposits with progradational geometry in offshore.

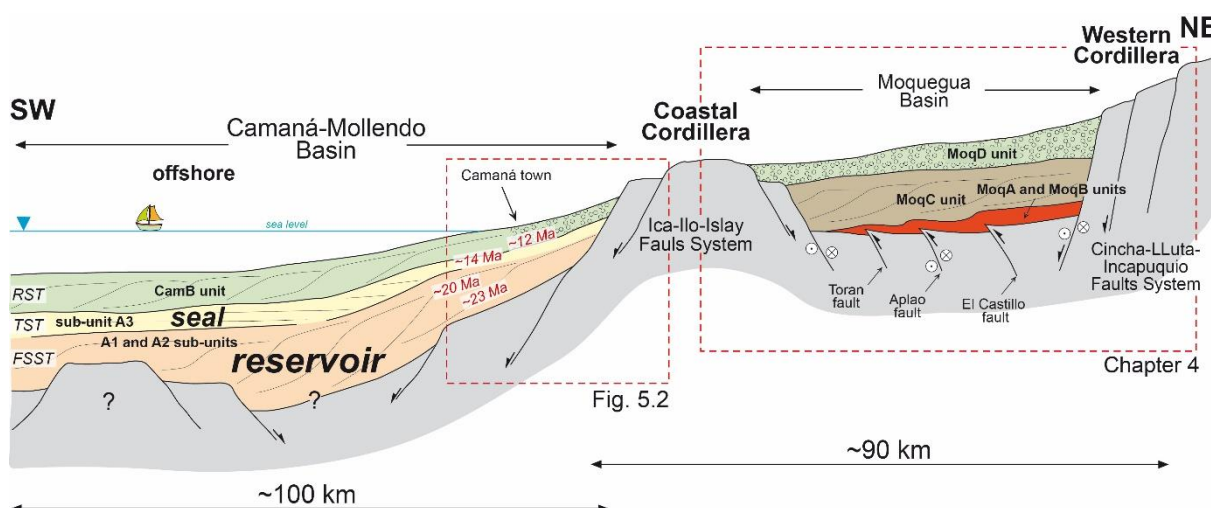


Fig. 5.8. Cross section of the Moquegua and Camaná Basins and the Western and Coastal Cordilleras, showing the structural configuration at present day.

5.7. Correlation with Pisco Basin

The Pisco Basin fill is located at NW of the Camaná-Mollendo Basin (Fig. 5.1A), and consists of five stratigraphic units, ranging in age from Eocene to Pliocene (Macharé et al., 1988; León et al., 2008). Some lithological units are of particular interest due to their hydrocarbon reservoir potential, i.e. Caballas Formation (Early-Middle Eocene age, Macharé et al., 1988), Paracas Group (Late Eocene to Early Oligocene, Caldas, 1978; Mendiál, 1983; Fernández, 1993; León et al., 2008), and Chilcatay Formation (Oligocene to Early Miocene, Dunbar et al., 1990) (Fig. 5.9).

The Pisco Formation (Middle Miocene to Pliocene, Adams, 1906; Dávila, 1987) is considered as transgressive seal rock, blanking the entire Pisco Basin (Calderón, 2007; León et al., 2008). The sub-units A1 and A2 of the Camaná Formation would be chronological equivalents to the deltaic Chilcatay Formation, and the sub-unit A3 (here considered as potential seal rock), would be similar to the base of Pisco Formation. CamB unit can be chronologically comparable to the upper Pisco Formation of León et al. (2008). Structurally, deposits of the Pisco Basin show extensional structural components. These components are represented and arranged in ~NW-SE pull-apart large structures, which are related to formation of tectonic sub-basins (Alarcón et al., 2005; Bianchi, 2005). Such statements support a regional correlation between the Camaná and Pisco Basins.

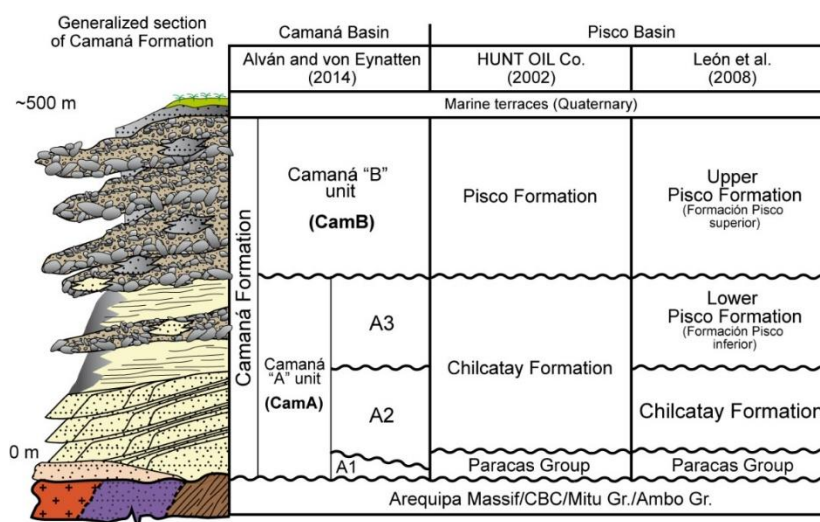


Fig. 5.9. Stratigraphic correlation between the Camaná Formation and the Pisco Basin fill.

5.8. Conclusions

- Both the Camaná Basin and the Mollendo Basin contain the Camaná Formation. The Camaná Formation in onshore presents a ~NW elongated geometry, which is parallel to the trend of the major controlling faults or wrench faulting (i.e. IIIFS). Such deposits reflect the concepts of uplift-related coarse-grained deltas, which are observed as substantial sedimentary accumulations. The Camaná Formation in onshore is divided into two major depositional units, CamA and CamB. CamA is further sub-divided into the sub-units A1, A2, and A3. The sub-units A1 and A2 are observed in offshore as thick deltaic progradational deposits (~30 or >30 to >20 Ma). Sub-unit A3 consists of deltaic onlapping deposits (<20 to ~14 Ma), and show the same onlapping geometry plus minor progradational in the offshore seismic record. CamB unit consists of fluvial conglomerates (<12 Ma) and turns deltaic and thick at offshore. Erosional surfaces mark the boundaries between each depositional unit and sub-unit.
- Structurally, we interpret that the Coastal Cordillera experimented uplift by means of the IIIFS during ~30 to ~14 Ma, which supported the formation of coarse-grained deltas of CamA unit. Since ~12 Ma, a later and more drastic uplift of the Western Cordillera triggered the deposition of MoqD and CamB units up to the offshore as progradational deltaic. The Camaná Basin is a wrench-related basin with ~NW-SE components very similar to a pull-apart system (i.e. IIIFS). Moreover, ~N-S and ~NE-SW faulting played as well an important role in providing accommodation spaces for depocentres in this basin. These depocentres were created since ~30 Ma and they can be considered as well as pull-apart sub-basins. They are filled with thick accumulations of sediments of CamA unit in the Camaná-Mollendo Basin. A ~NW-SE graben system is also attributed to the offshore Mollendo Basin. Such structural styles may be related to an accretionary prism in the offshore of southern Peru (e.g. Lima Basin, von Huene et al., 1996).
- By integrating information on sediment provenance, onshore geology, and offshore seismic information, we provide a refined stratigraphic and structural framework of the Camaná and Mollendo Basin fill and evaluate the statement of new frontiers for hydrocarbon exploration in southern Peruvian forearc. The thick accumulations of the Camaná Formation make the basin a potential target for hydrocarbon exploration. Similarities between the Chilcatay-Pisco Formations and the CamA unit of the Camaná Formation may indicate greater untapped hydrocarbon potential. The Camaná Formation is featured by its complexity in faulting and sand distribution. However, this synthesis provides an explanation of the origin of many fault-bounded deposits in the Camaná Basin and the identification of large structural alignments, which allow us to propose predictions about the poorly known Camaná Basin fill.

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Chapter 6:

Summary and conclusions

The chapter "Summary and conclusions" focuses on the evolutionary history of the Camaná Formation and its chronological counterpart in Moquegua Basin (upper part of the Moquegua Group). Its structure follows three main points.

6.1. Late Oligocene-Early Pliocene sedimentary architecture in southern Peruvian forearc basins

Sedimentary rocks of the Camaná Formation have been deposited in depressions located in outer forearc position and extended offshore to the Peruvian trench. Such depressions are considered as Camaná-Mollendo Basin. The stratigraphic nomenclature of "Camaná Formation" s.s. was used by Rivera (1950) to address yellowish marine sandstones that crop out near the town of Camaná, and between the Coastal Cordillera and the coastal line. This thesis considers that the Camaná Formation should be divided stratigraphically into two main parts: (i) coarse-grained deltaic systems (below) and (ii) fluvial conglomeratic deposits (above).

This division is based on striking lithological differences, referring to two different sedimentary environments. CamA unit (Late Oligocene to Middle Miocene) has been further subdivided into three sub-units (A1, A2, and A3) to differentiate sub-environments within such deltaic system. Sub-unit A1 consists of distributary channels and mouth bars, which are unconformably overlain by strata of sub-unit A2. Sub-unit A2 consists of delta front deposits arranged in voluminous clinothems, which reflect a progradational downstepping complex. Deposits of sub-unit A3 consist of delta front sandstones to prodelta siltstones arranged in notorious onlapping geometry. Conglomerates of CamB unit (formerly considered as Millo Formation, León et al., 2000) (Late Miocene to Early Pliocene) lie above an erosional unconformity.

In parallel, the inner forearc Moquegua Basin contains Cenozoic sediments of the Moquegua Group (Marocco, 1984). Sempere et al. (2004) further divided the upper part of the Moquegua Group as MoqC unit (~30 to 15-10 Ma) and MoqD unit (~15-10 to 4 Ma). MoqC unit consists of lacustrine and fluvial deposits and MoqD unit consists of fluvial deposits. MoqC unit contains in its upper part abundant pyroclastic deposits, leading to a subdivision of MoqC1 sub-unit (below) and the tuff-rich MoqC2 sub-unit (above) (Decou et al., 2011). According to new geochronological data provided by this thesis, the upper part of the Moquegua Group (MoqC and MoqD units according to Sempere et al., 2004) is chronologically equivalent to exposing deposits of the Camaná Formation, as well as their respective internal boundaries. Nonetheless, sedimentary facies of the Camaná Formation and the upper part of the Moquegua Group are partly different, referring precisely to the relationship between CamA unit and MoqC unit. CamA unit is deltaic, while MoqC unit is lacustrine and fluvial. Conversely, MoqD and CamB units are both of fluvial nature and show similar facies and lithological composition of their pebbles.

To explain this complex relationship, this thesis addresses a revision of some general sedimentary aspects of the MoqC and MoqD units, involving the use of concepts related to relative balance between accommodation space and filling of sediments, according to Carroll and Bohacs (1999). The results have revealed two genetic relations. (i) Deposits of MoqC unit resembles a *balanced-fill fluvio-lacustrine basin fill*, where the supply of water and sediments has closely equaled the accommodation space of Moquegua Basin. This thesis affirms that during deposition of MoqC unit, minor outflows of sediments and water from the Moquegua Basin have drained into the Camaná Basin periodically to maintain a hydrological equilibrium, and contributed in minor proportions to deposition of CamA unit in the contiguous Camaná Basin. Heavy mineral analysis of the Camaná Formation supports this statement (see Section 6.2 for further details). (ii) Conglomerates of MoqD unit are fluvial, and suggest high-energy fluvial conditions (run-off). This study defines deposits of MoqD unit as

"overfilled fluvio-lacustrine basin fill". This term explains that significant parts of MoqD deposition have significantly overfilled the Moquegua Basin and bypassed the Coastal Cordillera, prograding into the Camaná Basin.

6.2. Sedimentation ages and sedimentary provenance model

This thesis provides a detailed provenance study on sediments of the Camaná Formation by applying multi-methodical analysis. Such methods are detrital zircon and titanite U-Pb geochronology, chemical analysis on detrital titanites by LA-ICP-MS, and analysis of heavy mineral spectra of the Camaná Formation. The first results consist on U-Pb geochronology on zircons from reworked volcanic ashes, which yielded youngest age components varying from ~23 and ~7 Ma, and they undoubtedly resemble closely sedimentation ages. The intense volcanism that occurred during simultaneous deposition at Cenozoic (e.g. Noble et al., 1990) supports this statement. Several other geological tools such as stratigraphic correlations and biostratigraphy have permitted to reinforce the chronostratigraphic model proposed firstly for the Camaná Formation, to extend it later to the internal forearc of southern Peru. In this context, the age of CamA unit ranges between ~30 and ~14 Ma, and CamB unit ranges between ~12 and ~4 Ma.

In detail, the depositional age of sub-unit A1 is inferred between ~30 and ~25 Ma, based on the finding of Oligocene shark teeth and stratigraphic relationships with the dated and overlying sub-unit A2 (~23-14 Ma). According to geochronology, sub-unit A2 is dated between ~23 and ~20 Ma, and sub-unit A3 between <20 Ma and ~14 Ma. Dating on zircons from reworked ashes of CamB unit yield ages between ~12 and ~7 Ma; however, sediments at the upper part of CamB unit are still undated. If we consider that both the ~12-7 Ma CamB unit and the ~15-10 to ~4 Ma MoqD unit are the same deposition, we can consider that the upper part of CamB unit is ~4 Ma, as Sempere et al. (2004) dated the topmost MoqD unit. Accordingly, chronological equivalences between the Camaná Formation and the upper part of the Moquegua Group are very consistent. The chronostratigraphic framework of the southern Peruvian forearc is presented as follow: (i) CamA and MoqC units: Late Oligocene to Middle Miocene, (ii) CamB and MoqD units: Late Miocene to Early Pliocene. The most consistent correlations are between the upper part of CamA unit (sub-units A2 and A3) and sub-unit MoqC2 (~25-15/10 Ma).

In terms of provenance, sediments of CamA unit show main contribution from the rocks forming the Coastal Cordillera (i.e. San Nicolas Batholith and Arequipa Massif) plus volcanic products of the widespread ~24-10 Ma Huaylillas volcanic arc (sub-units A2 and A3 only). Minor contributions from rocks forming the Western Cordillera (i.e. Arequipa Massif, Coastal Batholith, and Tacaza Group) are also evident. Such evidences supports the affirmation of sediments that periodically flowed out from the Moquegua Group (MoqC unit) as an *"overfilled fluvio-lacustrine basin"*.

Conversely, sediments of CamB unit are predominantly derived from rocks forming the Western Cordillera (i.e. Arequipa Massif, Coastal Batholith, Toquepala and Tacaza Groups, and products of the ubiquitous ~10-3 Ma Lower Barroso volcanic arc). It is noteworthy that provenance of the MoqD and CamB units are widely similar. The only difference is that sediments of CamB shows minor contributions from the rocks forming the Coastal Cordillera (San Nicolas Batholith).

This thesis highlights a dramatic shift in mineral composition since the uppermost part of CamA unit, as well as minor changes within sediments of the CamA unit of the Camaná Formation. These changes mark relevant contrasts in sediment provenance, and they are intimately related to active synsedimentary geodynamics in southern Peruvian forearc.

6.3. Geodynamic model

This thesis provides a geodynamic model of southern Peruvian forearc for Cenozoic age. That model defines the ages of uplift of basin borders (Coastal Cordillera), explains its influence on sedimentation in southern Peru and the relationships with uplift/sedimentation in Moquegua Basin. The first results demonstrate that uplift of the Coastal Cordillera is the most significant factor for

sedimentation of CamA unit in Camaná Basin (coarse-grained deltas). Simultaneously, coarse-grained deposition of its counterpart MoqC unit, similarly suggest uplift of basin borders (i.e. Western Cordillera, Decou et al., 2013).

Sedimentation history of the external forearc begins at ~30 Ma, when the Coastal Cordillera underwent significant uplift that lasted until ~12 Ma. According to previous literature, this uplift is assumed to be simultaneous (and probably slightly differential) to uplift of the Western Cordillera. Uplift of the Western Cordillera is intimately related to sedimentary deposition of MoqC unit in the Moquegua Basin according to Decou et al. (2011, 2013).

The proportion of uplift of the Coastal Cordillera can be estimated by using previous fission track data from apatites (Wipf, 2006), where its uplift should be less than 2 km since latest Late Oligocene until present. The proportion of uplift of the Coastal Cordillera since ~12 Ma is calculated in ~0.5 km, considering that dated sediments of basal CamB were very close to sea level and now they are perched at ~0.5 km asl. In this context, uplift of the Coastal Cordillera between Late Oligocene to Middle Miocene was very possibly less than ~1.5 km. Hence, coarse-grained deltas are product of intense denudation of the rocks forming the Coastal Cordillera, which were possibly deposited as well in offshore.

On the other hand, uplift of the Western Cordillera since Late Miocene was surely higher than uplift of the Coastal Cordillera, where protraction of MoqD deposition invaded the Camaná Basin and deposited as CamB unit.

At this point, this geodynamic model is consistent in terms of uplift, exhumation, and denudation. However, the reason for having sediments locally stacked within the Moquegua Basin and the Camaná Basin (depocentres) remains in discussion. Between ~30 and ~14 Ma, deposition of deltaic complex of CamA unit reflects a *regressive systems tract*. If Haq et al. (1987) and Hardenbol et al. (1998) reported a global sea level rise during such stage; tectonic factors have definitely controlled deposition of CamA unit, as supported above.

However, if Coastal Cordillera and Western Cordillera experienced uplift, a ~25 Ma marine incursion onto the Moquegua Basin (e.g. Mendivil and Castillo, 1960; Pecho, 1983; Marocco et al., 1985; Cruzado and Rojas, 2005), complicates the geodynamic setting of the southern Peruvian forearc. To have a marine incursion onto the Moquegua Basin, marine waters should overpass through beveled pathways of the already uplifted Coastal Cordillera (e.g. Camaná-Majes Valley). On the other hand, if we observe depocentre of MoqC unit, it is noteworthy that it is located along the Camaná-Majes Valley. Simultaneously, main depocentre of Camaná Formation is located in the area of Camaná Town. If we also plot depocentre of Camaná Formation offshore, it is also noteworthy that these three depocentres are roughly aligned in ~NE-SW orientation and coincides with orientation of the Camaná-Majes Valley and its offshore extension. Accordingly, creation of accommodation space is the main cause of high and local proportions of sediment accumulation, very possibly due to tectonic shearing of the internal forearc, beside uplift of the Coastal and Western Cordilleras.

Overall, the structural setting in onshore seems to be widely different to the structural setting seen in the offshore of Camaná (seismic facies). As appears in onshore, the structural behavior of the Cincha-LLuta-Incapuquio and the Ica-Ilo-Islay Faults Systems during Cenozoic was transcurrent (e.g. Sempere and Jacay, 2006). The Cincha-LLuta-Incapuquio and the Ica-Ilo-Islay Faults Systems acted as sinistral wrench faults along the Western Cordillera and the Coastal Cordillera, respectively.

According to seismic facies analysis of the Camaná Formation offshore (Mollendo Basin fill), the structural architecture interpreted consists of complexes of ~NW-SE- and ~NE-SW-oriented normal and listric faulting, which supported creation of accommodation spaces for deposition of the offshore Camaná Formation. As interpreted from seismic lines, abundant synsedimentary faulting occurred during deposition of sub-units A1 and A2 of the Camaná Formation. Synsedimentary faulting is observed in minor proportion in deposits of A3, and even lesser in deposits of CamB (in offshore deltaic). Each unit shows different depositional geometry and they are separated markedly by high-frequency reflectors (unconformities). For instance, sub-units A1 and A2 show progradational geometry, A3 onlaps, and CamB again progradational.

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Appendix

1. Geographic position of samples analyzed in Chapter 3 (*).
2. LA-ICP-MS analysis on titanites of the Camaná Formation and their potential source rocks.
3. U-Pb LA-ICP-MS geochronology on detrital zircons from the Camaná Formation.
4. U-Pb LA-ICP-MS geochronology on detrital titanites from the Camaná Formation.
5. Curriculum vitae.

(*) All data in this thesis are result of the application of analytical methods (Appendices 2, 3, and 4) to accomplish Chapter 3.

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Appendix 1. Geographic position of the analyzed samples

Sample	Litoestrat. unit	Lithology	Type	Site	UTM (east)	UTM (north)	Alt.	Heavy mineral analysis	Zircon U-Pb dating	Titanite U-Pb dating	Titanite chemistry (LA-ICP-MS)	Raman spectroscopy
CAM-11-22	upper CamB	dark gray sandstone	outcrop	Quebrada Bandurria, Camaná Town	751239	8165802	604	x	x		x	
CAM-12-10	lower CamB	dark gray sandstone	outcrop	Panamerican highway, NE Camaná Town	752944	8165123	492	x	x	x	x	
CAM-11-02	lower CamB	dark gray sandstone	outcrop	Panamerican highway, NE Camaná Town	753071	8164820	460	x	x			
CAM-11-01	lower CamB	dark gray sandstone	outcrop	Panamerican highway, NE Camaná Town	753066	8164772	457	x	x	x		x
CAM-11-12	lower CamB	dark gray sandstone	outcrop	Panamerican highway, NE Camaná Town	752942	8164501	438	x				
CAM-11-03	lower CamB	reworked ash	outcrop	Panamerican highway, NE Camaná Town	752746	8162888	311	x	x	x	x	
PLA-11-01	upper A3	sandstone	outcrop	Planchada, south Pescadores	691232	8186039	37	x			x	
CAM-11-16	upper A3	reworked ash	outcrop	Quebrada Bandurria, Camaná Town	746510	8165376	390	x	x		x	
CAM-12-01	lower A3	cemented sandstone	outcrop	Quebrada Bandurria, Camaná Town	746661	8166096	417	x	x	x		
CAM-11-13	lower A3	cemented sandstone	outcrop	Quebrada Bandurria, Camaná Town	746715	8166116	449	x	x	x	x	
CAM-11-04	upper A2	sandstone	outcrop	Puente Camaná, Camaná Town	741924	8165134	45	x				x
CAM-11-05	upper A2	reworked ash	outcrop	Puente Camaná, Camaná Town	741936	8165130	46	x	x	x	x	x
CAM-12-03a	A2	reddish sandstone	outcrop	La Mina, Camaná Town	746147	8163861	102	x				
CAM-12-08a	A2	reddish sandstone	outcrop	Playa La Virgen, SE Camaná Town	756628	8155804	26	x	x		x	
CAM-11-21	A2	cemented sandstone	outcrop	NW Quilca Town	770999	8152506	51	x				
CAM-11-07	lower A2	reworked ash	outcrop	Quebrada La Chira, NW Camaná Town	720591	8175087	156	x	x	x	x	
CAM-10-03	lower A2	reworked ash	outcrop	Quebrada La Chira, NW Camaná Town	720591	8175087	156		x			
CAM-11-08	lower A2	sandstone	outcrop	Quebrada La Chira, NW Camaná Town	720460	8175211	179	x				
CAM-11-20	lower A2	reworked ash	outcrop	Playa La Chira, NW Camaná Town	722011	8172689	19	x	x			
CAM-12-05	A1	sandstone	outcrop	Quebrada La Chira, NW Camaná Town	720961	8174561	111	x			x	
CAM-12-04	A1	reddish sandstone	outcrop	La Mina, Camaná Town	745810	8163672	79	x	x	x		
CAM-11-06	A1	sandstone	outcrop	Quebrada La Chira, NW Camaná Town	720580	8175114	167	x	x	x	x	
CAM-12-06	A1	reddish sandstone	outcrop	Playa La Chira, NW Camaná Town	721880	8172638	3	x	x	x		
TAZ-00-03	Tacaza Group	diorite	outcrop	Cotahuasi	727315	8316915	2680	x			x	
CARA-08-03	Coastal Batholith	diorite	outcrop	South Caraveli	672404	8256639	2076	x				
CARA-10-01	Coastal Batholith	diorite	outcrop	Caraveli	674083	8257251	1815				x	
MAJ-12-03	Coastal Batholith	amphibolite	pebbles	Quebrada Sicerias (river beds)	776338	8209463	702	x				
OCO-08-03	Yura Group	gneiss	pebbles	Ocoña River mouth	701221	8184163	21	x				
CAM-11-11	Mitu Group	quartzarenite	outcrop	Playa La Chira, NW Camaná Town	721694	8172717	3	x				
CAM-08-03	San Nicolas Batholith	syenogranite	outcrop	Panamerican highway, NE Camaná Town	752925	8166212	570	x			x	
MAJ-12-06	Arequipa Massif	granulite	outcrop	Toran Town, NE Camaná	761262	8176892	200	x				
MAJ-12-01A	Arequipa Massif	gneiss	pebbles	North Aplao (river beds)	771187	8239888	821	x				
MAJ-12-01B	Arequipa Massif	gneiss	pebbles	North Aplao (river beds)	771187	8239888	821	x				
MAJ-12-01D	Arequipa Massif	gneiss	pebbles	North Aplao (river beds)	771187	8239888	821	x			x	
Total								31	16	9	15	3

Appendix 2. LA-ICP-MS analysis on titanites of the Camaná Formation and their potential source rocks

POTENTIAL SOURCE ROCKS			OXIDES in wt %										Data													
sample	color	lithology	Al2O3	MgO	FeO	CaO	TiO2	Nb2O5	Ce2O3	Fe2O3	Na	Mg	Al	P	Cl	K	Ca	Sc	Ti47	Ti49	V	Cr	Mn	Fe		
CAM-08-03	brown	San Nicolas Batholith	2.05	0.1	2.0	26.4	30.7	0.32	1.31	2.24	245	302	10850	500	13700	379	189000	89	184000	196000	401	-100	1940	15700		
CAM-08-03	brown	San Nicolas Batholith	2.03	0.1	2.5	25.7	31.4	0.46	1.36	2.75	282	631	10720	600	7400	796	184000	54	188000	188000	487	40	1910	19200		
CAM-08-03	brown	San Nicolas Batholith	1.63	0.1	2.0	26.4	30.2	0.41	1.50	2.19	256	315	8620	560	4600	974	189000	73	181000	188000	440	150	1960	15300		
CAM-08-03	brown	San Nicolas Batholith	2.68	0.1	2.5	26.0	30.2	0.34	1.37	2.80	252	396	14200	340	4800	1020	186000	107	181000	179000	487	420	2450	19600		
CAM-08-03	brown	San Nicolas Batholith	1.89	0.1	1.9	25.5	28.7	0.36	1.17	2.16	348	329	10020	260	3200	810	182000	81	171900	184800	462	120	1910	15100		
CAM-08-03	brown	San Nicolas Batholith	1.90	0.1	2.1	26.6	31.7	0.36	1.31	2.36	212	358	10080	280	5000	844	190000	74	190000	195000	463	440	1950	16500		
CAM-08-03	brown	San Nicolas Batholith	1.87	0.0	1.9	25.3	30.3	0.37	0.96	2.10	242	252	9890	250	-500	449	181000	98	181600	196100	435	290	2020	14710		
CAM-08-03	brown	San Nicolas Batholith	1.74	0.1	2.0	24.9	30.5	0.41	1.34	2.20	308	382	9210	250	-900	285	178000	78	183000	191000	406	196	1830	15400		
CAM-08-03	brown	San Nicolas Batholith	1.95	0.0	2.2	25.5	30.1	0.29	1.25	2.46	207	295	10300	320	3500	344	182000	86	180500	183000	494	200	2120	17200		
CAM-08-03	brown	San Nicolas Batholith	2.09	0.1	2.4	30.2	30.0	0.46	1.17	2.67	356	337	11080	310	20000	310	216000	72	180000	190000	455	170	2330	18700		
CAM-08-03	brown	San Nicolas Batholith	1.98	0.1	2.2	24.3	28.4	0.31	1.27	2.47	246	364	10490	510	-2400	570	174000	71	170000	181200	529	390	2060	17300		
CAM-08-03	brown	San Nicolas Batholith	1.82	0.0	2.1	24.9	30.2	0.34	1.23	2.34	227	297	9550	400	900	310	178000	76	181300	184000	425	480	2000	16400		
CAM-08-03	brown	San Nicolas Batholith	1.87	0.1	2.2	24.9	29.6	0.42	1.30	2.46	303	323	9900	160	-800	212	178000	52	177200	179800	478	210	1870	17200		
TAZ-00-03	pale green	Tacaza Group	0.43	0.0	1.2	32.0	36.7	0.03	0.03	1.30	355	125	2280	350	90000	-1100	229000	27	220000	224000	679	-110	299	9080		
TAZ-00-03	pale green	Tacaza Group	0.61	0.0	1.2	28.0	33.7	0.02	0.10	1.37	96	86	3210	280	70000	-270	200000	7	202000	219000	2140	100	174	9600		
TAZ-00-03	pale green	Tacaza Group	0.37	0.0	1.2	27.4	32.5	0.04	0.04	1.31	321	111	1970	670	-68000	-152	196000	14	195000	199000	867	280	313	9140		
TAZ-00-03	pale green	Tacaza Group	0.53	0.0	1.2	22.4	30.0	0.02	0.08	1.36	182	96	2800	520	400000	70	160000	8	180000	188000	1330	460	249	9500		
TAZ-00-03	pale green	Tacaza Group	0.37	0.0	1.1	28.7	34.4	0.05	0.04	1.17	298	96	1950	750	3800	807	205000	13	206000	213000	638	310	365	8170		
TAZ-00-03	pale green	Tacaza Group	0.56	0.0	1.7	27.3	35.7	0.02	0.03	1.92	290	117	2960	800	86000	280	195000	20	214000	205000	1050	230	312	13400		
TAZ-00-03	pale green	Tacaza Group	0.53	0.0	1.9	29.9	33.2	0.04	0.06	2.06	207	74	2800	750	14000	400	214000	8	199000	203000	1300	330	379	14400		
TAZ-00-03	pale green	Tacaza Group	0.53	0.0	1.6	28.3	35.2	0.04	0.07	1.83	184	93	2800	990	11300	390	202000	15	211000	221000	1220	150	335	12800		
TAZ-00-03	pale green	Tacaza Group	0.39	0.0	1.1	29.0	35.9	0.02	0.03	1.24	273	127	2080	120	10200	540	207000	16	215000	216000	772	240	262	8700		
TAZ-00-03	pale green	Tacaza Group	0.31	0.0	0.9	27.1	33.0	0.04	0.03	1.02	243	87	1620	530	6900	611	194000	27	198000	207000	618	300	263	7140		
TAZ-00-03	pale green	Tacaza Group	0.37	0.0	1.1	28.7	34.4	0.05	0.04	1.17	298	96	1950	750	3800	807	205000	13	206000	213000	638	310	365	8170		
TAZ-00-03	pale green	Tacaza Group	0.76	0.0	1.7	28.1	38.4	0.02	0.04	1.89	226	114	4000	220	5100	1110	201000	10	230000	219000	1440	290	440	13200		
TAZ-00-03	pale green	Tacaza Group	0.50	0.0	1.2	30.5	35.5	0.00	0.02	1.39	329	84	2640	120	4400	861	218000	17	213000	218000	964	150	255	9700		
CARA-10-01	pale green	Coastal Batholith	1.60	0.0	1.3	25.9	33.7	0.10	0.08	1.46	54	179	8470	90	1400	-880	185000	10	202000	225000	1430	110	818	10200		
CARA-10-01	pale green	Coastal Batholith	1.51	0.1	1.2	26.7	29.9	0.03	0.02	1.37	34	312	8010	80	4500	-20	191000	13	179000	183000	1229	190	559	9600		
CARA-10-01	pale green	Coastal Batholith	1.47	0.0	1.3	27.3	32.4	0.13	0.14	1.43	64	99	7780	160	4000	-12	195000	6	194000	197000	1101	450	820	10010		
CARA-10-01	pale green	Coastal Batholith	1.40	0.0	1.3	26.3	30.3	0.11	0.06	1.40	39	69	7430	160	1600	316	174000	11	181800	186000	1158	250	506	7170		
CARA-10-01	pale green	Coastal Batholith	1.60	0.1	1.6	28.5	33.5	0.12	0.11	1.80	74	314	8480	230	7800	393	204000	12	201000	208000	1301	260	823	12600		
CARA-10-01	pale green	Coastal Batholith	1.55	0.0	1.5	23.9	29.5	0.32	0.21	1.69	51	78	8190	190	3000	274	171000	7	177000	184000	1140	360	834	11800		
CARA-10-01	pale green	Coastal Batholith	1.40	0.0	1.2	24.9	31.4	0.09	0.08	1.38	17	174	7430	120	3000	305	178000	4	188000	184000	1270	290	709	9620		
CARA-10-01	pale green	Coastal Batholith	1.42	0.0	1.1	25.5	32.2	0.22	0.12	1.19	73	105	7530	50	1600	318	182000	10	193000	192700	1211	390	666	8300		
CARA-10-01	pale green	Coastal Batholith	1.78	0.1	1.4	27.1	32.0	0.17	0.12	1.53	138	375	9410	410	3300	510	194000	13	192000	214000	1270	230	790	10700		
CARA-10-01	pale green	Coastal Batholith	1.50	0.0	1.0	27.3	29.7	0.29	0.12	1.16	78	261	7850	260	3000	466	195000	8	178000	203000	1044	400	748	8900		
CARA-10-01	pale green	Coastal Batholith	1.45	0.0	0.9	28.4	31.6	0.10	0.07	1.03	137	87	7660	10	2300	490	203000	-3	186000	205000	1052	430	623	7230		
CARA-10-01	pale green	Coastal Batholith	1.44	0.0	1.8	29.2	28.4	0.19	0.18	1.97	122	95	7600	60	700	326	209000	11	170000	177000	1440	440	1110	13800		
CARA-10-01	pale green	Coastal Batholith	1.51	0.0	1.6	24.5	33.5	0.29	0.56	1.79	1230	252	8010	130	1070	1000	175000	8	201000	203000	305	-6700	2240	12500		
CARA-10-01	pale green	Coastal Batholith	1.47	0.0	1.7	24.2	36.0	0.24	1.56	1.84	124	40	7800	-100	-800	90	173000	45	216000	263000	1200	490000	2650	12900		
MAJ-12-01D	pale green	Arequipa Massif	1.12	0.0	1.4	25.5	27.7	0.03	0.01	1.16	40	165	5920	290	1100	288	182000	13	166000	160000	2770	240	968	8100		
MAJ-12-01D	pale green	Arequipa Massif	1.31	0.1	1.4	23.5	26.2	0.07	0.42	1.59	99	159	6940	50	400	170	168000	16	156000	157000	832	140	837	10700		
MAJ-12-01D	pale green	Arequipa Massif	1.06	0.0	1.4	23.9	27.1	0.07	0.57	1.59	660	217	5630	220	1100	810	171000	17	162600	161000	802	520	969	11100		
MAJ-12-01D	pale green	Arequipa Massif	1.26	0.0	1.6	25.3	28.5	0.07	0.58	1.82	310	185	6680	210	900	670	181000	21	171000	168000	823	370	952	12700		
MAJ-12-01D	pale green	Arequipa Massif	1.09	0.0	1.5	24.5	28.7	0.11	0.14	1.70	5	141	5770	310	700	760	175000	9	172000	169000	894	560	1034	11900		
MAJ-12-01D	pale green	Arequipa Massif	0.76	0.0	1.4	23.2	29.5	0.01	0.10	1.60	179	111	4030	110	2800	775	166000	11	177000	171000	928	560	782	11200		
MAJ-12-01D	pale green	Arequipa Massif	0.78	0.0	1.2	23.6	28.0	0.02	0.20	1.34	19	113	4140	370	3300	746	169000	17	168000	161000	624	670	788	9400		
MAJ-12-01D	pale green	Arequipa Massif	1.26	0.0	1.2	26.4	31.0	0.11	0.58	1.36	176	191	6880	460	-400	183	189000	3	186000	185000	861	270	840	9500		
MAJ-12-01D	pale green	Arequipa Massif	1.34	0.0	1.3	24.5	28.2	0.07	0.33	1.47	96	110	7090	150	1200	444	175000	13	169000	167000	1010	450	818	10300		
MAJ-12-01D	pale green	Arequipa Massif	0.69	0.0	1.2	23.6	31.7	0.04	0.20	1.28	119	173	3670	440	1200	597	169000	7	190000	184000	774	210	937	8960		
MAJ-12-01D	pale green	Arequipa Massif	1.24	0.0	1.3	28.8	31.1	0.11	0.42	1.49	99	107	6580	260	800	782	206000	16	186600	183000	977	310	929	10400		
MAJ-12-01D	pale green	Arequipa Massif	1.04	0.0	1.5	26.2	30.9	0.03	0.35	1.66	110	142	5480	100	1500	889	187000	5	185000	181400	859	420	889	11610		
MAJ-12-01D	pale green	Arequipa Massif	1.00	0.0	1.4	29.4	29.5	0.05	0.49	1.94	111															

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sample	color	lithology	Al2O3	MgO	FeO	CaO	TiO2	Nb2O5	Ca2O3	Fe2O3	Na	Mg	Al	P	Cl	K	Ca	Sc	Ti47	Ti49	V	Cr	Mn	Fe
CAM-11-05		sub-unit A2	2.03	0.0	1.8	29.2	34.4	0.65	0.96	1.99	397	298	10740	134	190	19	209000	143	206000	206000	346	32	2640	13900
CAM-11-05		sub-unit A2	2.06	0.0	2.0	26.9	32.0	0.33	1.31	2.23	185	232	10910	194	2000	-7	192600	47	192000	193000	406	-32	1730	15600
CAM-11-05		sub-unit A2	2.17	0.1	2.2	27.7	33.2	0.31	1.31	2.44	190	304	11480	194	160	-5	198000	45	199000	196500	417	28	1795	17100
CAM-11-05		sub-unit A2	2.17	0.1	2.6	28.4	33.0	0.47	1.20	2.86	228	406	11480	560	900	-1	203000	92	197700	197500	324	4	2180	20000
CAM-11-05		sub-unit A2	1.80	0.1	1.1	25.7	33.7	0.36	0.44	1.18	298	377	9530	580	460	-380	184000	41	202000	218000	240	710	2030	8230
CAM-11-05		sub-unit A2	1.72	0.1	1.4	27.1	35.0	0.29	1.45	1.59	170	330	9130	820	470	-200	194000	69	210000	216000	290	1540	1770	11100
CAM-11-05		sub-unit A2	1.55	0.0	1.1	29.9	34.9	0.30	0.93	1.22	174	265	8200	7500	570	-260	214000	96	209000	218000	260	1470	1660	8500
CAM-11-05		sub-unit A2	2.17	0.1	1.8	32.6	36.2	0.37	1.64	1.58	269	445	11490	360	30	-210	223000	77	228000	246000	350	2660	1960	13800
CAM-12-08b		sub-unit A2	1.45	0.0	1.8	24.9	37.0	0.19	1.50	2.02	188	256	7690	250	470	-180	178000	19	222000	227000	400	-100	2260	14100
CAM-12-08b		sub-unit A2	1.92	0.0	1.3	27.1	36.2	0.67	0.51	1.43	185	196	10150	-890	480	-120	194000	30	217000	224000	410	-3000	1460	10000
CAM-12-08b		sub-unit A2	2.09	0.0	1.6	25.9	33.7	0.56	0.64	1.74	199	211	11050	-80	420	-20	185000	32	202000	204000	346	-1300	1450	12200
CAM-11-08		sub-unit A2	1.60	0.0	1.4	24.8	29.2	0.44	0.83	1.59	286	232	8490	4100	900	1820	177000	64	175000	181000	419	300	1840	11100
CAM-11-08		sub-unit A2	2.06	0.0	2.1	25.6	29.5	0.43	0.69	2.29	197	210	10900	1450	3600	1480	183000	24	177000	194000	476	530	1350	16000
CAM-11-08		sub-unit A2	2.25	0.0	1.8	25.3	28.7	0.52	0.39	1.96	329	188	11890	280	2900	2030	181000	42	178000	189000	393	340	1700	13700
CAM-11-08		sub-unit A2	2.41	0.2	2.4	26.0	28.4	0.44	0.53	2.66	247	970	12780	110	800	1720	186000	59	170000	173200	430	410	1860	18600
CAM-11-08		sub-unit A2	1.98	0.0	1.4	26.9	37.9	0.43	0.44	1.56	123	152	10500	-560	-100	-30	192000	27	227000	223000	250	-300	1460	10900
CAM-11-08		sub-unit A2	2.24	0.0	1.5	25.3	35.4	0.42	0.45	1.70	214	229	11880	60	1000	-140	181000	27	212000	214000	300	-1100	1490	11900
CAM-11-08		sub-unit A2	2.42	0.1	1.2	30.6	32.9	0.52	0.46	1.37	2520	319	12800	17500	90	2270	219000	22	197000	199000	269	600	1400	9600
CAM-11-08		sub-unit A2	1.50	0.1	1.8	26.3	37.0	0.12	1.36	2.03	278	310	7960	-170	2100	-130	188000	11	222000	226000	1060	1100	833	14200
CAM-11-07		sub-unit A2	2.58	0.0	1.8	27.8	32.1	0.70	0.41	1.97	194	214	13640	123	760	-8	199000	29	192200	196700	326	74	1412	13800
CAM-11-07		sub-unit A2	2.47	0.0	1.7	27.3	31.7	0.71	0.43	1.89	202	220	13080	137	160	3	194800	31	189900	193700	304	45	1429	13190
CAM-11-07		sub-unit A2	2.46	0.0	1.6	28.3	30.9	0.32	0.35	1.80	135	192	13000	108	690	0	202000	32	185000	188700	319	11	1259	12600
CAM-11-07		sub-unit A2	2.34	0.0	1.8	27.1	31.7	0.41	0.35	1.97	180	178	12400	122	100	-2	194000	26	190000	199100	341	61	1404	13800
CAM-11-07		sub-unit A2	2.67	0.0	1.7	26.7	31.2	0.47	0.48	1.88	169	244	14130	144	330	4	191000	54	187000	189000	281	16	1580	13120
CAM-11-07		sub-unit A2	2.60	0.0	1.8	28.3	33.2	0.62	0.53	1.98	193	248	13770	117	720	-7	202400	55	198800	203300	266	8	1640	13850
CAM-11-07		sub-unit A2	3.98	0.1	2.3	27.3	29.2	0.57	0.54	2.60	343	727	20330	144	900	-7	195400	105	175000	177200	252	-39	1840	18200
CAM-11-07		sub-unit A2	2.47	0.0	1.5	27.0	31.2	0.47	0.39	1.71	145	195	13070	105	-1290	-11	192800	57	187000	187300	229	-17	1970	11900
CAM-11-07		sub-unit A2	2.63	0.0	1.7	26.7	32.0	0.48	0.42	1.86	151	198	13930	121	-400	-7	191100	59	191800	190600	242	25	1994	13010
CAM-11-07		sub-unit A2	2.50	0.0	1.8	26.6	31.2	0.31	0.35	1.99	141	153	13210	118	-1100	-15	190200	23	187100	188600	311	-50	1360	13940
CAM-11-07		sub-unit A2	3.12	0.1	1.6	26.2	29.6	0.54	0.32	1.77	256	361	16530	141	600	-7	187600	125	177300	174700	216	-107	2328	12390
CAM-11-07		sub-unit A2	2.55	0.0	1.6	27.3	30.8	0.35	0.32	1.73	144	184	13480	78	-1500	-17	195200	42	184800	180400	228	-102	1473	12100
CAM-11-07		sub-unit A2	1.94	0.0	1.2	25.9	28.9	0.69	0.50	1.37	189	162	10290	185	-1100	-11	185000	21	173000	175200	231	-39	1220	9600
CAM-11-07		sub-unit A2	1.96	0.1	1.5	24.8	30.0	0.91	0.50	1.69	207	318	10360	264	-810	181	177000	37	180000	172000	240	-8	1810	11850
CAM-11-07		sub-unit A2	2.66	0.0	2.0	28.8	31.9	0.39	0.46	2.17	152	198	14100	121	-740	-6	206000	31	191400	199600	327	-44	1397	15200
CAM-12-05		sub-unit A1	2.11	0.0	2.1	26.7	28.5	0.69	0.45	2.29	262	280	11190	560	-1400	164	191000	44	171000	170300	416	190	1658	16000
CAM-12-05		sub-unit A1	2.23	0.0	2.3	22.7	27.5	0.82	0.89	2.50	291	280	11800	4300	1100	700	162000	31	165000	169000	498	70	1490	17500
CAM-12-05		sub-unit A1	2.03	0.0	1.9	25.5	26.2	0.63	0.51	2.09	188	163	10730	1300	500	613	182000	55	157000	159000	445	670	1730	14600
CAM-12-05		sub-unit A1	1.81	0.1	1.8	25.9	29.8	0.94	0.99	2.03	220	408	9560	5400	-40	336	185000	29	178800	171500	422	211	1400	14200
CAM-12-05		sub-unit A1	1.98	0.0	2.0	25.3	28.1	0.60	0.76	2.23	254	215	10460	1490	600	738	181000	52	168700	172200	514	380	1680	15600
CAM-12-05		sub-unit A1	1.80	0.0	1.9	24.1	27.2	0.57	1.38	2.09	193	121	9510	9000	0	591	172000	33	163100	163300	423	360	1660	14600
CAM-12-05		sub-unit A1	2.03	0.0	2.0	25.9	29.0	0.52	0.60	2.17	188	184	10750	150	4000	718	185000	42	174000	175000	467	460	1710	15200
CAM-12-05		sub-unit A1	1.91	0.0	1.6	26.9	32.9	0.37	0.58	1.74	180	284	10090	300	1000	-190	192000	43	197000	195000	281	170	1476	12200
CAM-12-05		sub-unit A1	1.99	0.0	1.5	28.5	34.7	0.57	0.27	1.70	155	89	10550	230	1000	-340	204000	9	208000	192000	284	710	1370	11900
CAM-12-05		sub-unit A1	1.83	0.0	1.3	24.8	33.4	0.30	0.39	1.46	157	73	9700	110	-400	-230	177000	53	200000	198000	327	550	1780	10400
CAM-12-05		sub-unit A1	1.94	0.0	1.5	24.9	34.7	0.36	0.42	1.63	116	65	10250	-390	400	-230	178000	-40	208000	207000	386	70	1550	11400
CAM-12-05		sub-unit A1	1.72	0.1	1.5	32.2	32.9	0.51	0.53	1.62	221	720	9130	15400	400	-140	230000	8	197000	191000	260	110	1460	11300
CAM-12-05		sub-unit A1	1.97	0.0	1.8	24.9	33.2	0.49	0.59	2.03	241	215	10420	-60	2300	-170	178000	18	199000	203000	362	-120	1410	14200
CAM-12-05		sub-unit A1	1.57	0.0	1.3	24.8	35.4	0.52	0.54	1.46	216	75	8300	-30	-300	340	177000	-2	212000	208000	270	-90	1590	10200
CAM-12-05		sub-unit A1	1.52	0.0	1.3	25.9	34.7	0.43	0.49	1.40	183	87	8040	700	350	-60	185000	12	208000	207000	304	540	1660	9800
CAM-12-05		sub-unit A1	2.02	0.0	1.5	30.8	32.7	0.40	0.52	1.69	147	91	10700	250	100	-230	220000	6	196000	195000	289	810	1620	11800
CAM-12-05		sub-unit A1	1.79	0.0	1.5	28.1	35.2	0.65	0.41	1.62	198	101	9490	-200	800	10	201000	-2	211000	208000	306	410	1450	11300
CAM-12-05		sub-unit A1	2.12	0.0	1.8	26.0	35.2	0.66	0.48	2.03	236	128	11200	-220	980	50	186000	31	211000	205000	220	580	1810	14200
CAM-12-05		sub-unit A1	1.74	0.0	1.5	25.5	33.7	0.38	0.54	1.63	184	202	9200	130	720	20	182000	32	202000	192000	192	80	1430	11400
CAM-12-05		sub-unit A1	2.02	0.0	1.8	31.2	34.2	0.27	0.39	2.00	161	235	10700	60	390	150	223000	50	205000	201000	351	-40	1470	14000
CAM-12-05		sub-unit A1	2.12	0.0	1.4	26.2	35.9	0.45	0.38	1.53	164	2												

Sr	Y	Zr	Nb	Mo	Sn	La	Ce	Pr	Nd	Sm	Eu	Eu153	Gd	Gd158	Tb	Dy	Ho	Er	Tm	Yb	Lu	Hf	Ta	W	Pb206	Pb207	Pb208	Th	U
10	4210	403	4530	45	261	2420	8220	1410	6820	1540	146	158	1260	1240	180	1000	186	487	60	444	69	58	516	4	49	4	17	428	171
20	3490	800	2310	38	198	4060	11300	1540	6990	1200	145	148	920	1237	682	143	358	50	339	43	63	208	2	14	2	2	1	532	40
21	3990	797	2200	45	298	3930	11220	1622	7000	1278	150	142	965	933	134	734	144	395	60	376	50	58	180	4	12	2	21	458	36
18	5580	798	3280	66	248	2770	10260	1670	7950	1728	196	194	1376	1317	189	1142	219	578	78	515	64	55	323	3	19	3	21	474	50
15	4120	132	2550	14	220	544	3780	790	4140	1340	151	160	1104	1040	163	920	167	396	51	303	39	10	223	0	46	2	5	116	136
26	1790	665	2040	33	180	4540	12400	1470	5180	846	105	101	490	502	69	329	65	157	23	162	27	52	91	0	9	0	20	566	40
35	1820	547	2110	61	201	2720	7900	901	3160	480	88	79	369	366	51	284	63	168	28	237	31	36	138	0	15	1	24	521	65
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25	8300	677	1360	18	268	3380	12800	1930	9200	2210	229	232	1650	1760	273	1570	332	840	112	659	77	51	205	0	0	0	1	438	55
12	2830	434	4650	95	357	1140	4350	652	2850	646	68	67	477	500	75	453	97	284	38	307	44	41	503	5	41	2	13	387	144
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17	1380	345	3050	75	217	2360	7100	1180	2970	700	100	130	630	580	65	383	55	129	20	129	21	27	183	3	68	3	167	990	111
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42	2490	550	3610	67	198	1120	3960	618	3100	808	157	156	628	673	83	523	93	270	36	197	29	17	162	11	36	4	18	346	82
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15	2360	450	2240	61	136	864	2970	534	2720	680	136	130	600	602	88	507	94	243	32	212	29	38	93	4	30	3	15	379	95
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13	2250	433	2420	49	154	713	2740	481	2470	658	126	127	598	578	82	408	88	237	31	222	31	35	88	2	40	1	11	265	123
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21	1270	1194	6370	76	223	1294	4310	677	3060	565	77	81	393	381	50	262	50	130	17	114	18	65	95	21	174	12	23	391	544
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11	4740	464	4850	75	425	908	3810	708	3740	988	86	85	871	914	153	867	170	503	71	433	58	35	701	3	40	3	16	319	111
15	10500	571	5710	57	494	3200	7600	1640	9300	2570	199	185	2620	2580	382	2230	428	1079	139	815	81	66	1910	73	54	6	92	1260	131
9	4070	400	4430	71	400	1370	4340	725	3490	858	92	80	793	860	117	713	142	417	62	416	49	29	691	12	49	6	47	630	127
17	5490	560	5860	88	437	3130	8400	1370	7800	1480	131	167	1440	1300	187	1005	207	528	79	486	56	46	970	340	7	5	11	365	88
16	4250	411	4160	76	419	2180	6480	960	4910	1070	87	91	1000	980	138	808	155	413	58	441	49	34	612	20	44	3	68	930	162
19	3730	410	4010	52	479	6500	11800	1670	8700	1350	98	126	1320	1090	131	850	127	324	46	314	41	29	392	7	72	6	310	2270	210
11	4650	486	3620	68	482	1330	5120	837	4120	1090	82	90	1020	1050	158	884	174	454	66	408	54	29	432	17	41	3	26	461	125
14	1950	516	2620	81	191	1380	4970	709	3310	612	115	123	467	455	65	393	79	192	24	176	28	42	104	0	19	0	18	465	79
15	953	457	3960	36	197	775	2320	327	1510	325	114	111	207	223	30	201	32	108	15	105	15	26	38	14	19	4	7	116	93
13	1312	363	2110	46	203	863	3310	457	1990	375	63	72	231	278	35	217	42	123	22	162	28	32	84	9	24	1	13	285	94
16	2040	438	2510	68	158	965	3590	576	2630	565	114	97	476	488	72	407	76	194	28	172	22	40	312	27	23	1	11	365	88
3	1990	409	3580	56	163	1200	4510	691	3120	729	131	124	539	581	68	432	86	215	32	197	23	33	160	27	21	2	27	482	75
7	3580	519	3400	103	202	1230	5070	880	4630	1090	130	127	879	890	134	751	156	381	51	328	47	40	298	0	14	1	19	389	61
13	1780	439	3620	139	86	1480	4650	629	2910	590	107	114	458	460	63	430	66	187	23	106	18	28	109	13	35	0	21	588	87
12	1580	412	2990	61	124	1216	4150	598	2540	569	93	99	423	429	59	352	64	143	20	109	17	29	84	0	13	1	19	433	77
15	2490	437	2790	73	164	1140	4430	683	3240	751	122	131	577	650	89	503	87	224	30	185	25	33	116	7	15	1	17	409	85
12	3440	419	4530	68	194	799	3530	684	3700	1060	177	194	840	890	133	732	136	363	54	337	44	26	354	47	14	4	11	247	70
11	3900	487	4630	90	266																								

Appendix 3. U-Pb LA-ICP-MS geochronology on detrital zircons from the Camaná Formation

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Sample	Spot	Sub-Unit	U ^b (ppm)	Pb ^b (ppm)	Th ^b U	aparent ages										conc. (%)				
						²⁰⁶ Pb ^d 238U		²⁰⁷ Pb ^d 235U		²⁰⁷ Pb ^d 206Pb		rho ^e		²⁰⁶ Pb 238U			²⁰⁷ Pb 235U		²⁰⁷ Pb 206Pb	
						±2σ (%)	±2σ (%)	±2σ (%)	±2σ (%)	±2σ (%)	±2σ (Ma)	±2σ (Ma)	±2σ (Ma)	±2σ (Ma)	±2σ (Ma)		±2σ (Ma)			
CAM-11-22	ALL-7	CamB near top	104	0.0	1.083	0.00171	4.0	0.04843	10.2	0.20487	9.3	0.4	11.0	0.9	48	9.6	2865	152	23	
CAM-11-22	ALL-7	CamB near top	293	1.0	0.616	0.00378	1.3	0.02419	4.4	0.04646	4.2	0.3	24.3	0.6	24.3	2.1	21.6	101	100.1	
CAM-11-22	ALL-7	CamB near top	70	0.0	1.141	0.00149	3.7	0.01483	17.1	0.07215	16.7	0.2	9.6	0.7	15	5.1	990.2	339	64.2	
CAM-11-22	ALL-7	CamB near top	144	38.0	0.623	0.29037	0.6	4.40322	1.3	0.10998	1.1	0.5	1643.4	18.4	1713	21.5	1799	21	95.9	
CAM-11-22	ALL-7	CamB near top	16	0.0	1.968	0.01347	3.6	1.46732	5.3	0.79028	3.9	0.7	86.2	6.2	917	65.3	4550	84	9.4	
CAM-11-22	ALL-7	CamB near top	62	0.0	2.129	0.00128	4.4	0.01225	21.8	0.06916	21.4	0.2	8.3	0.7	12.4	5.4	903.7	441	66.9	
CAM-11-22	ALL-7	CamB near top	385	1.0	1.378	0.00334	1.5	0.02304	5.2	0.05002	5	0.3	21.5	0.6	23.1	2.4	196.1	116	93	
CAM-11-22	ALL-7	CamB near top	102	16.0	2.093	0.17513	0.7	1.78408	1.7	0.07389	1.5	0.4	1040.3	14.3	1040	21.9	1038	31	100.1	
CAM-11-22	ALL-7	CamB near top	7416	9.0	1.464	0.00134	0.7	0.01232	2	0.0667	1.9	0.4	8.6	0.1	12.4	0.5	828.4	39	69.4	
CAM-11-22	ALL-7	CamB near top	174	1.0	2.235	0.00377	3.4	0.20743	5.6	0.39919	4.5	0.6	24.2	1.6	191.4	19.6	3906	68	12.7	
CAM-11-22	ALL-7	CamB near top	37	0.0	1.636	0.00167	5.4	0.02867	23.6	0.12441	23	0.2	10.8	1.2	28.7	13.4	2021	408	37.5	
CAM-11-22	ALL-7	CamB near top	251	17.0	0.168	0.07538	0.6	0.59289	1.5	0.05704	1.4	0.4	468.5	5.8	472.7	11.7	493.2	31	99.1	
CAM-11-22	ALL-7	CamB near top	212	33.0	2.044	0.17253	0.6	1.73329	1.4	0.07286	1.3	0.4	1026.0	11.8	1021	18.2	1010	26	100.5	
CAM-11-22	ALL-7	CamB near top	331	5.0	0.446	0.01629	0.9	0.11166	2.3	0.0497	2.1	0.4	104.2	1.9	107.5	4.7	181.2	50	96.9	
CAM-11-22	ALL-7	CamB near top	2130	2.0	2.998	0.00113	1.0	0.0081	3.2	0.05201	3	0.3	7.3	0.2	8.2	0.5	286	70	88.8	
CAM-11-22	ALL-7	CamB near top	477	1.0	1.306	0.00184	1.6	0.0159	4.6	0.06251	4.3	0.4	11.9	0.4	16	1.5	691.7	92	74.2	
CAM-11-22	ALL-7	CamB near top	348	51.0	0.261	0.16079	0.7	1.65834	1.4	0.0748	1.2	0.5	961.2	12.4	992.7	17.8	1063	25	96.8	
CAM-11-22	ALL-7	CamB near top	603	21.0	0.43	0.0378	0.7	0.28284	1.7	0.05427	1.6	0.4	239.2	3.3	252.9	7.7	382.3	35	94.6	
CAM-11-22	ALL-7	CamB near top	165	0.0	1.238	0.00136	2.9	0.01488	10.7	0.07961	10.3	0.3	8.7	0.5	15	3.2	1187	203	58.2	
CAM-11-22	ALL-7	CamB near top	667	3.0	0.79	0.0044	1.0	0.02959	3	0.04883	2.8	0.3	28.3	0.5	29.6	1.7	139.6	66	95.5	
CAM-11-22	A98	CamB near top	263	0.4	1.41	0.001187	2.2	0.007768	7.4	0.04748	7.1	0.3	7.6	0.2	7.9	0.6				
CAM-11-22	A99	CamB near top	517	1.4	1.70	0.002025	1.5	0.01318	5.8	0.04719	5.6	0.3	13.0	0.2	13.3	0.8				
CAM-11-22	A100	CamB near top	529	1.2	2.10	0.00167	1.7	0.01015	5.3	0.04411	5	0.3	10.8	0.2	10.3	0.5				
CAM-11-22	A101	CamB near top	280	0.5	2.38	0.001099	1.9	0.006193	9.1	0.04086	8.9	0.2	7.1	0.1	6.3	0.6				
CAM-11-22	A107	CamB near top	195	0.5	1.13	0.001973	2.2	0.01203	12	0.04423	12	0.2	12.7	0.3	12.1	1.5				
CAM-11-22	A108	CamB near top	254	22.2	1.46	0.06991	1.4	0.5374	1.8	0.05575	1.1	0.8	435.6	6.0	437	6	443	24	98	
CAM-11-22	A109	CamB near top	176	0.3	1.59	0.001254	2.5	0.007977	10	0.04612	9.8	0.2	8.1	0.2	8.1	0.8				
CAM-11-22	A110	CamB near top	336	0.8	1.17	0.001931	1.8	0.01233	8.0	0.04632	7.8	0.2	12.4	0.2	12.4	1.0				
CAM-11-22	A111	CamB near top	56	2.8	2.96	0.0296	1.9	0.1958	10	0.04798	9.9	0.2	188.1	3.5	182	17	98	234	191	
CAM-11-22	A112	CamB near top	119	0.3	3.11	0.001624	3.9	0.01021	5.9	0.04557	4.4	0.7	10.5	0.4	10.3	0.6				
CAM-11-22	A113	CamB near top	189	0.5	1.69	0.001559	3.8	0.009647	7.9	0.04489	7	0.5	10.0	0.4	9.7	0.8				
CAM-11-22	A114	CamB near top	115	0.2	1.17	0.001161	4.2	0.007414	8.6	0.04633	7.5	0.5	7.5	0.3	7.5	0.6				
CAM-11-22	A115	CamB near top	487	2.4	0.83	0.004379	1.5	0.02828	4.4	0.04683	4.1	0.3	28.2	0.4	28.3	1.2				
CAM-11-22	A116	CamB near top	423	1.1	0.83	0.002401	1.6	0.01559	3.3	0.0471	2.9	0.5	15.5	0.2	15.7	0.5				
CAM-11-22	A117	CamB near top	166	0.3	1.36	0.001338	2.8	0.00842	7.7	0.04563	7.2	0.4	8.6	0.2	8.5	0.7				
CAM-11-22	A118	CamB near top	125	0.2	1.93	0.001192	2.8	0.00782	6.5	0.0476	5.9	0.4	7.7	0.2	7.9	0.5				
CAM-11-22	A119	CamB near top	173	0.6	0.82	0.00285	1.8	0.01825	4.0	0.04645	3.5	0.4	18.3	0.3	18.4	0.7				
CAM-11-22	A120	CamB near top	229	0.5	1.02	0.001898	2.1	0.01123	6.8	0.04291	6.5	0.3	12.2	0.3	11.3	0.8				
CAM-11-22	A121	CamB near top	114	0.2	1.30	0.001358	2.3	0.008265	10	0.04416	10	0.2	8.7	0.2	8.4	0.9				
CAM-11-22	A122	CamB near top	56	20.2	4.57	0.1855	1.5	2.006	3.3	0.0784	2.9	0.4	1097.1	14.9	1117	23	1157	58	95	
CAM-11-22	A123	CamB near top	211	0.7	1.28	0.002176	3.4	0.01366	8.0	0.04554	7.2	0.4	14.0	0.5	13.8	1.1				
CAM-11-22	A124	CamB near top	155	0.5	1.97	0.001159	5.3	0.007527	10	0.0471	8.6	0.5	7.5	0.4	7.6	0.8				
CAM-11-22	A125	CamB near top	464	1.1	0.86	0.002146	1.8	0.01384	6.5	0.04678	6.3	0.3	13.8	0.2	14.0	0.9				
CAM-11-22	A126	CamB near top	452	1.3	2.10	0.001867	2.1	0.01187	6.7	0.04611	6.3	0.3	12.0	0.3	12.0	0.8				
CAM-11-22	A127	CamB near top	131	0.3	2.79	0.001622	2.8	0.01084	7.9	0.04846	7.4	0.4	10.5	0.3	10.9	0.9				
CAM-11-22	A128	CamB near top	114	0.2	1.30	0.001189	4.4	0.007532	8.4	0.04594	7.1	0.5	7.7	0.3	7.6	0.6				
CAM-11-22	A129	CamB near top	151	0.4	2.01	0.001827	3.3	0.01201	5.8	0.04768	4.9	0.6	11.8	0.4	12.1	0.7				
CAM-11-22	A130	CamB near top	256	1.1	2.99	0.001154	6.0	0.007321	11	0.046	9.5	0.5	7.4	0.4	7.4	0.8				
CAM-11-22	A131	CamB near top	861	1.5	1.19	0.001371	1.8	0.008694	6.4	0.04598	6.1	0.3	8.8	0.2	8.8	0.6				
CAM-11-22	A132	CamB near top	535	1.5	2.05	0.002106	1.9	0.01358	4.5	0.04678	4.1	0.4	13.6	0.3	13.7	0.6				
CAM-12-10	A151	lower CamB	67	6.8	0.63	0.07629	1.2	0.5909	3	0.05617	2.3	0.5	473.9	5.7	471	10				
CAM-12-10	A152	lower CamB	43	4.9	0.86	0.07587	1.3	0.6017	4	0.05752	4.0	0.3	471.4	6.1	478	16				
CAM-12-10	A153	lower CamB	313	0.8	0.40	0.001506	2.4	0.009386	4	0.04522	3.7	0.5	9.7	0.2	9	0				
CAM-12-10	A154	lower CamB	480	2.5	0.32	0.004582	1.4	0.02918	4	0.04619	3.6	0.4	29.5	0.4	29	1				
CAM-12-10	A155	lower CamB	386	1.9	0.25	0.004505	2.1	0.02693	5	0.04336	4.1	0.5	29.0	0.6	27	1				
CAM-12-10	A156	lower CamB	229	0.7	0.88	0.001959	2.4	0.01253	6	0.04639	5.1	0.4	12.6	0.3	13	1				
CAM-12-10	A157	lower CamB	268	6.0	0.48	0.004543	2.6	0.0302	3	0.04821	1.9	0.8	29.2	0.7	30	1				
CAM-12-10	A158	lower CamB	605	1.1	0.50															

Sample	Spot	Sub-Unit	U ^b (ppm)	Pb ^b (ppm)	Th ^b U	apparent ages										rho ^e	apparent ages						conc. (%)
						²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U		²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²³⁵ U		²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²⁰⁶ Pb		²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U		²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²³⁵ U			²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²⁰⁶ Pb						
						±2σ (%)	±2σ (%)	±2σ (%)	±2σ (%)	±2σ (Ma)	±2σ (Ma)	±2σ (%)	±2σ (%)	±2σ (Ma)	±2σ (Ma)								
CAM-11-02	A424	lower CamB	711	1.6	1.56	0.00179	2.3	0.01215	10.8	0.0492	11	0.2	11.5	0.3	12	1							
CAM-11-02	A425	lower CamB	111	0.2	1.62	0.001214	4.6	0.008766	18	0.0524	18	0.3	7.8	0.4	9	2							
CAM-11-02	A426	lower CamB	808	1.7	0.69	0.001919	2.3	0.01241	3.7	0.0469	2.9	0.6	12.4	0.3	13	0							
CAM-11-02	A427	lower CamB	63	0.1	1.42	0.001393	6.0	0.009364	9.5	0.0488	7.4	0.6	9.0	0.5	9	1							
CAM-11-02	A428	lower CamB	255	0.6	0.67	0.00215	2.9	0.01391	5.6	0.0469	4.8	0.5	13.8	0.4	14	1							
CAM-11-02	A429	lower CamB	196	39.4	0.44	0.1991	2.1	2.164	3.0	0.0788	2.2	0.7	1170.5	22.3	1170	21	1168	43	100				
CAM-11-02	A430	lower CamB	118	0.3	1.4	0.002114	3.0	0.01367	5.3	0.0469	4.3	0.6	13.6	0.4	14	1							
CAM-11-02	A431	lower CamB	50	0.7	1.5	0.01079	2.2	0.06914	8.4	0.0465	8.1	0.3	69.2	1.5	68	6							
CAM-11-02	A432	lower CamB	90	0.2	1.5	0.001733	5.4	0.01293	67	0.0541	67	0.1	11.2	0.6	13	9							
CAM-11-02	A434	lower CamB	34	0.1	1.9	0.001362	11.9	0.006982	192	0.0372	191	0.1	8.8	1.0	7	14							
CAM-11-02	A435	lower CamB	80	0.2	1.0	0.001707	3.3	0.0113	6.7	0.048	5.8	0.5	11.0	0.4	11	1							
CAM-11-02	A436	lower CamB	249	43.9	0.14	0.1839	3.1	1.929	3.2	0.0761	0.9	1.0	1088.0	31.0	1091	22	1098	19	99				
CAM-11-02	A243	lower CamB	204	0.6	1.22	0.002149	3.0	0.01348	12	0.0455	11.0	0.3	13.8	0.4	14	2							
CAM-11-02	A244	lower CamB	360	1.3	2.91	0.00157	4.5	0.009941	13	0.04592	12.0	0.4	10.1	0.5	10	1							
CAM-11-02	A245	lower CamB	520	2.8	0.94	0.004808	1.8	0.03135	5	0.04728	5.1	0.3	30.9	0.5	31	2							
CAM-11-02	A246	lower CamB	811	1.9	1.17	0.001895	1.8	0.01254	8	0.048	8.2	0.2	12.2	0.2	13	1							
CAM-11-02	A247	lower CamB	120	0.4	2.00	0.001485	6.3	0.01002	18	0.04895	17.0	0.4	9.6	0.6	10	2							
CAM-11-02	A248	lower CamB	458	1.3	1.54	0.002042	2.5	0.01284	9	0.0456	8.9	0.3	13.1	0.3	13	1							
CAM-11-02	A249	lower CamB	377	1.1	1.50	0.001987	2.3	0.01263	6	0.04608	5.4	0.4	12.8	0.3	13	1							
CAM-11-02	A250	lower CamB	491	1.2	1.51	0.001897	2.4	0.01226	4	0.04687	3.6	0.6	12.2	0.3	12	1							
CAM-11-02	A251	lower CamB	169	0.5	1.76	0.00197	3.0	0.01278	8	0.04703	7.5	0.4	12.7	0.4	13	1							
CAM-11-02	A252	lower CamB	197	57.7	1.06	0.2378	1.6	2.848	3	0.08687	2.2	0.6	1375.4	19.4	1368	20	1358	42	101				
CAM-11-02	A253	lower CamB	229	0.6	1.16	0.002306	2.6	0.01493	12	0.04696	12.0	0.2	14.8	0.4	15	2							
CAM-11-02	A254	lower CamB	186	0.5	1.35	0.001735	2.8	0.01131	5	0.0473	4.6	0.5	11.2	0.3	11	1							
CAM-11-02	A255	lower CamB	168	0.4	1.09	0.001788	2.6	0.01161	5	0.04709	4.5	0.5	11.5	0.3	12	1							
CAM-11-02	A256	lower CamB	449	1.7	1.06	0.003053	1.9	0.02029	5	0.0482	5.0	0.4	19.6	0.4	20	1							
CAM-11-02	A257	lower CamB	358	0.8	2.37	0.001614	2.5	0.01035	5	0.04649	3.8	0.5	10.4	0.3	10	0							
CAM-11-02	A258	lower CamB	123	0.4	2.22	0.001889	4.2	0.01189	7	0.04563	6.2	0.6	12.2	0.5	12	1							
CAM-11-02	A259	lower CamB	334	0.8	1.04	0.002112	2.5	0.01333	4	0.04576	3.6	0.6	13.6	0.3	13	1							
CAM-11-03	A338	lower CamB	357	0.9	1.81	0.00187	3.9	0.0137	15	0.0532	14	0.3	12.0	0.5	14	2							
CAM-11-03	A340	lower CamB	91	0.2	1.20	0.002049	2.5	0.01429	9.4	0.0506	9.1	0.3	13.2	0.3	14	1							
CAM-11-03	A342	lower CamB	116	0.3	1.24	0.002053	2.8	0.0105	129	0.0372	129	0.0	13.2	0.4	11	14							
CAM-11-03	A343	lower CamB	193	0.7	1.58	0.003008	2.2	0.0205	11	0.0495	10	0.2	19.4	0.4	21	2							
CAM-11-03	A344	lower CamB	45	0.2	3.05	0.001682	5.0	0.00975	39	0.042	39	0.1	10.8	0.5	10	4							
CAM-11-03	A346	lower CamB	33	0.4	3.15	0.0007383	70.9	0.00386	194	0.0379	181	0.4	4.8	3.4	4	8							
CAM-11-03	A347	lower CamB	77	34.0	1.80	0.3365	2.2	5.306	2.4	0.114	0.9	0.9	1869.6	36.5	1870	21	1870	15	100				
CAM-11-03	A348	lower CamB	65	0.2	1.23	0.002597	2.8	0.01729	14.2	0.0483	14	0.2	16.7	0.5	17	2							
CAM-11-03	A349	lower CamB	155	0.7	1.84	0.002902	2.4	0.01898	16.4	0.0474	16	0.1	18.7	0.5	19	3							
CAM-11-03	A350	lower CamB	212	0.5	1.06	0.001821	2.5	0.01153	10.6	0.0459	10	0.2	11.7	0.3	12	1							
CAM-11-03	A351	lower CamB	371	0.9	1.08	0.002123	2.3	0.01371	7.7	0.0469	7.4	0.3	13.7	0.3	14	1							
CAM-11-03	A352	lower CamB	69	3.3	0.89	0.04389	2.0	0.3198	3.2	0.0529	2.5	0.6	276.9	5.4	282	8	323	57	86				
CAM-11-03	A353	lower CamB	244	66.8	1.32	0.2149	2.1	2.985	2.4	0.101	1.1	0.9	1255.1	24.4	1404	18	1637	20	77				
CAM-11-03	A354	lower CamB	638	2.0	2.79	0.001952	2.2	0.01217	10.3	0.0452	10	0.2	12.6	0.3	12	1							
CAM-11-03	A355	lower CamB	70	16.7	0.77	0.2133	2.9	2.670	3.1	0.0908	1.1	0.9	1246.4	33.2	1320	23	1441	20	86				
CAM-11-03	A356	lower CamB	75	0.2	0.94	0.001913	4.5	0.0128	8.8	0.0485	7.6	0.5	12.3	0.5	13	1							
CAM-11-03	A357	lower CamB	22	0.2	2.63	0.002353	14.6	0.01404	102.1	0.0433	101	0.1	15.2	2.2	14	14							
CAM-11-03	A358	lower CamB	120	0.3	1.27	0.001737	2.4	0.01082	15.9	0.0452	16	0.1	11.2	0.3	11	2							
CAM-11-03	A359	lower CamB	156	0.6	2.90	0.001861	4.1	0.01186	20.3	0.0462	20	0.2	12.0	0.5	12	2							
CAM-11-03	A361	lower CamB	182	0.6	3.35	0.001900	3.0	0.01205	17.0	0.046	17	0.2	12.2	0.4	12	2							
CAM-11-03	A363	lower CamB	209	31.5	0.09	0.1593	2.0	1.573	2.4	0.0716	1.2	0.9	953.0	18.0	960	15	974	24	98				
CAM-11-03	A364	lower CamB	241	0.6	0.86	0.002085	2.4	0.01418	7.4	0.0493	7.0	0.3	13.4	0.3	14	1	162	165	8				
CAM-11-03	A366	lower CamB	34	0.1	2.29	0.001758	4.0	0.01105	31.3	0.0456	31	0.1	11.3	0.4	11	3							
CAM-11-03	A367	lower CamB	83	0.2	3.01	0.001619	3.4	0.01106	31.2	0.0496	31	0.1	10.4	0.3	11	3							
CAM-11-03	A368	lower CamB	110	0.3	1.70	0.001776	2.7	0.01129	9.7	0.0461	9.4	0.3	11.4	0.3	11	1							
CAM-11-03	A369	lower CamB	35	0.3	2.97	0.0003648	545.4	0.01653	556.2	0.329	109	1.0	2.4	12.8	17	96							
CAM-11-03	A370	lower CamB	81	0.3	1.08	0.00244	4.7	0.01435	24.5	0.0427	24.0	0.2</											

Sample	Spot	Sub-Unit	U ^b (ppm)	Pb ^b (ppm)	Th ^b U	206Pb ^d		207Pb ^d		207Pb ^d		rho ^e	aparent ages						conc.
						238U	±2σ	235U	±2σ	206Pb	±2σ		206Pb	±2σ	207Pb	±2σ	207Pb	±2σ	
							(%)		(%)		(%)		(Ma)	(Ma)	(Ma)	(Ma)	(Ma)	(%)	
CAM-11-03	A275	lower CamB	219	49.7	0.70	0.2106	1.5	2.347	2	0.08084	1	0.8	1231.8	16.3	1227	13	1218	20	101
CAM-11-03	A276	lower CamB	89	0.2	2.55	0.001805	3.2	0.01169	6	0.04697	6	0.5	11.6	0.4	12	1			
CAM-11-03	A277	lower CamB	201	0.6	3.12	0.001728	2.9	0.01107	5	0.04649	4	0.6	11.1	0.3	11	1			
CAM-11-03	A278	lower CamB	459	1.9	1.23	0.003206	2.0	0.02171	9	0.04911	9	0.2	20.6	0.4	22	2			
CAM-11-01	A377	lower CamB	122	6.2	1.02	0.04433	2.2	0.3203	2.7	0.0524	1.6	0.8	279.6	6.0	282	7	303	36	92
CAM-11-01	A378	lower CamB	88	5.7	3.08	0.04289	2.1	0.3023	7.5	0.0511	7.2	0.3	270.7	5.5	268	18	246	165	110
CAM-11-01	A379	lower CamB	80	0.3	1.72	0.001524	9.4	0.009486	43	0.0452	42	0.2	9.8	0.3	10	4			
CAM-11-01	A380	lower CamB	93	3.7	0.56	0.04307	2.1	0.3084	3.0	0.0519	2.1	0.7	271.8	5.7	273	7	282	48	96
CAM-11-01	A381	lower CamB	115	0.3	2.80	0.001918	5.8	0.01201	58	0.0454	58	0.1	12.3	0.7	12	7			
CAM-11-01	A382	lower CamB	83	0.3	1.26	0.002579	2.9	0.01726	7.0	0.0485	6.3	0.4	16.6	0.5	17	1			
CAM-11-01	A388	lower CamB	95	40.0	2.07	0.3017	2.2	4.472	2.6	0.107	1.4	0.8	1699.9	32.6	1726	22	1757	25	97
CAM-11-01	A389	lower CamB	183	0.5	2.41	0.001924	2.3	0.01268	10.7	0.0478	10	0.2	12.4	0.3	13	1			
CAM-11-01	A390	lower CamB	272	1.2	0.31	0.004374	2.2	0.02784	3.8	0.0462	3.1	0.6	28.1	0.6	28	1			
CAM-11-01	A391	lower CamB	229	0.7	2.65	0.001805	2.4	0.009854	12	0.0396	12	0.2	11.6	0.3	10	1			
CAM-11-01	A392	lower CamB	254	1.0	0.78	0.00355	2.3	0.02403	5.1	0.0491	4.5	0.5	22.8	0.5	24	1			
CAM-11-01	A393	lower CamB	93	23.2	1.94	0.1788	2.0	1.902	2.3	0.0772	1.2	0.8	1060.4	19.5	1082	16	1125	25	94
CAM-11-01	A394	lower CamB	116	3.9	1.48	0.02745	2.2	0.1909	3.5	0.0504	2.8	0.6	174.6	3.8	177	6	215	64	81
CAM-11-01	A395	lower CamB	239	0.5	0.75	0.002071	2.4	0.01337	6.8	0.0468	6.4	0.3	13.3	0.3	13	1			
CAM-11-01	A396	lower CamB	47	0.3	1.44	0.002109	11.3	0.01158	57	0.0398	56	0.2	13.6	1.5	12	7			
CAM-11-01	A397	lower CamB	341	0.8	1.24	0.001881	2.2	0.01207	6.9	0.0466	6.6	0.3	12.1	0.3	12	1			
CAM-11-01	A398	lower CamB	103	0.3	1.67	0.002136	4.1	0.01105	77	0.0375	77	0.1	13.8	0.6	11	9			
CAM-11-01	A399	lower CamB	246	0.9	0.41	0.003848	2.3	0.02625	5.6	0.0495	5.1	0.4	24.8	0.6	26	1			
CAM-11-01	A400	lower CamB	79	0.1	0.89	0.001639	2.7	0.009963	14	0.0441	13	0.2	10.6	0.3	10	1			
CAM-11-01	A401	lower CamB	97	0.4	1.17	0.002794	2.6	0.01684	14	0.0437	14	0.2	18.0	0.5	17	2			
CAM-11-01	A402	lower CamB	385	1.1	2.91	0.001913	2.4	0.0109	16	0.0413	16	0.1	12.3	0.3	11	2			
CAM-11-01	A403	lower CamB	70	0.2	1.69	0.002296	2.5	0.01336	19	0.0422	19	0.1	14.8	0.4	13	3			
CAM-11-01	A404	lower CamB	345	1.1	3.20	0.001965	2.2	0.01291	5.0	0.0477	4.4	0.5	12.7	0.3	13	1			
CAM-11-01	A405	lower CamB	101	23.1	0.57	0.2142	2.0	2.568	2.6	0.087	1.6	0.8	1250.9	23.2	1291	19	1359	31	92
CAM-11-01	A406	lower CamB	140	0.4	0.89	0.00248	2.5	0.01553	8.9	0.0454	8.6	0.3	16.0	0.4	16	1			
CAM-11-01	A407	lower CamB	544	1.2	0.97	0.001929	2.2	0.01278	6.0	0.0481	5.5	0.4	12.4	0.3	13	1			
CAM-11-01	A408	lower CamB	172	2.8	3.29	0.01004	2.1	0.06614	3.5	0.0478	2.8	0.6	64.4	1.3	65	2			
CAM-11-01	A409	lower CamB	162	0.4	1.66	0.001937	2.6	0.01115	15	0.0418	15	0.2	12.5	0.3	11	2			
CAM-11-01	A410	lower CamB	81	0.2	1.00	0.001202	4.8	0.007559	10	0.0456	9.0	0.5	7.7	0.4	8	1			
CAM-11-01	A411	lower CamB	116	0.3	1.61	0.001889	3.0	0.01222	15	0.0469	15	0.2	12.2	0.4	12	2			
CAM-11-01	A412	lower CamB	58	0.2	1.22	0.002115	4.7	0.01398	22	0.0479	21	0.2	13.6	0.6	14	3			
CAM-11-01	A413	lower CamB	79	0.2	1.98	0.002188	2.7	0.01343	15	0.0445	15	0.2	14.1	0.4	14	2			
CAM-11-01	A414	lower CamB	56	21.6	1.86	0.2821	2.0	4.251	2.2	0.109	0.9	0.9	1601.9	28.0	1684	18	1788	16	90
CAM-11-01	A415	lower CamB	295	0.7	1.75	0.001797	2.6	0.01141	21	0.046	21	0.1	11.6	0.3	12	2			
CAM-11-01	A416	lower CamB	279	1.1	0.36	0.003627	2.3	0.02468	7.5	0.0493	7.1	0.3	23.3	0.5	25	2			
CAM-11-01	A417	lower CamB	85	0.3	0.59	0.003766	2.5	0.02537	14	0.0489	13	0.2	24.2	0.6	25	3			
CAM-11-01	A418	lower CamB	33	0.2	0.98	0.002065	26.8	0.01176	48	0.0413	40	0.6	13.3	3.6	12	6			
CAM-11-01	A133	lower CamB	143	0.7	1.68	0.001148	8.0	0.007258	13	0.04584	10	0.6	7.4	0.6	7	1			
CAM-11-01	A134	lower CamB	225	72.7	0.53	0.3033	1.4	4.476	2	0.107	1	0.9	1707.6	21.2	1726	13	1749	11	98
CAM-11-01	A135	lower CamB	260	0.5	2.12	0.001391	1.9	0.008905	10	0.04643	10	0.2	9.0	0.2	9	1			
CAM-11-01	A136	lower CamB	213	56.0	2.19	0.1674	1.8	1.869	4	0.08098	4	0.4	997.6	17.1	1070	29	1221	75	82
CAM-11-01	A137	lower CamB	364	0.9	1.88	0.001552	2.7	0.009715	10	0.04541	10	0.3	10.0	0.3	10	1			
CAM-11-01	A138	lower CamB	683	2.2	2.65	0.001918	1.9	0.01225	6	0.04635	6	0.3	12.3	0.2	12	1			
CAM-11-01	A139	lower CamB	614	1.6	1.28	0.00213	2.0	0.01394	5	0.04746	4	0.4	13.7	0.3	14	1			
CAM-11-01	A140	lower CamB	1129	2.9	2.03	0.001855	1.6	0.01172	4	0.04584	4	0.4	11.9	0.2	12	0			
CAM-11-01	A141	lower CamB	1201	2.7	0.81	0.001988	1.5	0.01197	4	0.04367	4	0.4	12.8	0.2	12	0			
CAM-11-01	A142	lower CamB	550	1.6	2.15	0.001825	1.9	0.01186	8	0.04713	7	0.2	11.8	0.2	12	1			
CAM-11-01	A143	lower CamB	680	1.6	1.20	0.001947	1.6	0.0124	4	0.04619	4	0.4	12.5	0.2	13	0			
CAM-11-01	A144	lower CamB	324	0.6	1.37	0.001609	1.7	0.009982	6	0.04498	6	0.3	10.4	0.2	10	1			
CAM-11-01	A145	lower CamB	767	2.1	2.33	0.001882	1.5	0.01214	5	0.04678	5	0.3	12.1	0.2	12	1			
CAM-11-01	A151	lower CamB	141	0.4	1.34	0.001395	3.9	0.008549	9	0.04446	8	0.4	9.0	0.3	9	1			
CAM-11-01	A152	lower CamB	34	0.1	1.37	0.002226	5.6	0.0134	15	0.04365	13	0.4	14.3	0.8	14	2			
CAM-11-01	A153	lower CamB	409	1.2	1.35	0.001833	3.0	0.01211	12	0.04793	11	0.3	11.8	0.3	12	1			
CAM-11-01	A154	lower CamB	178	0.4	1.35	0.001842	2.7	0.01149	20	0.04524	20	0.1	11.9	0.3	12	2			
CAM-11-01	A155	lower CamB	111	0.3	1.34	0.001559	4.1	0.009809	14	0.04564	13	0.3	10.0	0.4	10	1			
CAM-11-01	A156	lower CamB	128	0.4	1.94	0.001587	3.5	0.009854	6	0.04504	5	0.6	10.2	0.4	10	1			
CAM-11-01	A157	lower CamB	1328	4.2	0.73	0.002895	1.6	0.01899	4	0.04757	4	0.4	18.6	0.3	19	1			
CAM-11-01	A158	lower CamB	369	1.1	1.96	0.001716	2.8	0.01042	11	0.04405	11	0.3	11.1	0.3	11	1			
CAM-11-01	A159	lower CamB	812	2.8	2.53	0.001944	2.4	0.01372	14	0.0512	14	0.2	12.5	0.3	14	2			
CAM-11-01	A160	lower CamB	452	1.5	3.22	0.002006	1.8	0.01408	7	0.05091	7	0.3	12.9	0.2	14	1			
CAM-11-01	A161	lower CamB	225	1.2	0.92	0.004403	2.0	0.0285	5	0.04695	5	0.4	28.3	0.6	29	1			
CAM-11-01	A162	lower CamB	1767	4.2	1.52	0.001858	1.6	0.01254	6	0.04893	6	0.3	12.0	0.2	13	1			
CAM-11-01	A163	lower CamB	156	9.2	1.06	0.0421	2.1	0.3463	5	0.05966	4	0.4	265.8	5.6	302	13	591	95	45
CAM-11-16	A316	upper A3	319	1.1	0.56	0.003332	2.1	0.02153	5.0										

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						²⁰⁶ Pb ^d ²³⁸ U	²⁰⁷ Pb ^d ²³⁵ U						²⁰⁶ Pb ²³⁸ U	±2σ	²⁰⁷ Pb ²³⁵ U	±2σ	²⁰⁷ Pb ²⁰⁶ Pb	±2σ	
						(%)	(%)						(Ma)	(Ma)	(Ma)	(Ma)	(Ma)		
CAM-11-16	A326	upper A3	133	0.4	1.36	0.002112	3.5	0.0136	18	0.0467	17	0.2	13.6	0.5	14	2			
CAM-11-16	A327	upper A3	114	0.4	1.43	0.002421	3.6	0.0143	20	0.0427	20	0.2	15.6	0.6	14	3			
CAM-11-16	A333	upper A3	107	0.4	2.07	0.002383	4.0	0.0149	17	0.0455	17	0.2	15.3	0.6	15	3			
CAM-11-16	A334	upper A3	96	0.2	1.10	0.001755	3.0	0.0117	27	0.0484	27	0.1	11.3	0.3	12	3			
CAM-11-16	A335	upper A3	200	55.5	1.04	0.2670	2.8	3.53	2.9	0.0958	1.0	0.9	1525.7	37.8	1533	24	1544	19	99
CAM-11-16	A336	upper A3	172	0.5	2.63	0.002092	2.5	0.0138	12	0.0477	12	0.2	13.5	0.3	14	2			
CAM-11-16	A337	upper A3	76	30.6	1.95	0.3081	2.1	4.473	2.2	0.105	0.8	0.9	1731.6	31.4	1726	18	1719	14	101
CAM-11-16	A279	upper A3	258	0.6	1.35	0.001928	2.6	0.01263	5.4	0.04752	4.8	0.5	12.4	0.3	13	1			
CAM-11-16	A280	upper A3	243	0.8	3.04	0.001999	2.8	0.01326	7.9	0.04811	7.4	0.4	12.9	0.4	13	1			
CAM-11-16	A281	upper A3	1983	5.6	0.58	0.002379	1.9	0.01458	5.8	0.04444	5.4	0.3	15.3	0.3	15	1			
CAM-11-16	A282	upper A3	174	0.5	1.67	0.002072	3.0	0.01306	8.6	0.04573	8.1	0.4	13.3	0.4	13	1			
CAM-11-16	A288	upper A3	225	0.8	1.44	0.002349	2.6	0.01468	7.1	0.04533	6.6	0.4	15.1	0.4	15	1			
CAM-11-16	A289	upper A3	1428	3.8	1.50	0.002119	1.6	0.01359	2.7	0.04654	2.2	0.6	13.6	0.2	14	0			
CAM-12-01	A227	lower A3	78	7.5	0.62	0.07082	1.3	0.5519	2	0.05652	2.1	0.5	441.1	5.4	446	9	473	46	93
CAM-12-01	A228	lower A3	102	9.6	0.54	0.07332	1.2	0.5573	2	0.05512	2.0	0.5	456.1	5.4	450	9	417	45	109
CAM-12-01	A229	lower A3	70	6.3	0.46	0.07269	1.3	0.5521	3	0.05508	2.2	0.5	452.3	5.5	446	9			
CAM-12-01	A230	lower A3	186	26.5	1.66	0.07321	1.2	0.5662	2	0.05609	1.3	0.7	455.5	5.2	456	6			
CAM-12-01	A231	lower A3	74	9.0	1.16	0.07174	1.4	0.5342	5	0.05401	5.3	0.3	446.6	6.2	435	19			
CAM-12-01	A232	lower A3	84	7.4	0.48	0.07134	1.2	0.5475	2	0.05566	2.0	0.5	444.2	5.2	443	8	439	44	101
CAM-12-01	A233	lower A3	64	5.8	0.49	0.07268	1.2	0.5525	3	0.05513	2.3	0.5	452.3	5.2	447	10	418	52	108
CAM-12-01	A234	lower A3	131	11.1	0.37	0.07319	1.2	0.5603	2	0.05553	1.4	0.7	455.3	5.2	452	7	433	31	105
CAM-12-01	A235	lower A3	100	10.6	0.81	0.07106	1.3	0.5393	4	0.05504	3.6	0.3	442.6	5.4	438	14			
CAM-12-01	A236	lower A3	98	9.4	0.62	0.0728	1.2	0.5688	2	0.05667	1.5	0.6	453.0	5.1	457	7			
CAM-12-01	A237	lower A3	79	9.7	1.20	0.07169	1.2	0.5538	3	0.05603	2.9	0.4	446.3	5.4	447	11			
CAM-12-01	A243	lower A3	107	9.7	0.52	0.07246	1.2	0.5627	2	0.05633	1.6	0.6	450.9	5.2	453	7			
CAM-12-01	A244	lower A3	100	9.8	0.67	0.07199	1.3	0.5576	2	0.05618	1.6	0.6	448.1	5.5	450	7			
CAM-12-01	A245	lower A3	99	9.3	0.54	0.07296	1.2	0.5544	2	0.05511	1.9	0.6	454.0	5.4	448	8			
CAM-12-01	A246	lower A3	86	7.3	0.37	0.07315	1.2	0.5573	2	0.05525	1.9	0.5	455.1	5.4	450	8			
CAM-12-01	A247	lower A3	99	9.4	0.60	0.07176	1.2	0.5449	2	0.05507	2.1	0.5	446.8	5.2	442	9			
CAM-12-01	A248	lower A3	146	16.9	1.01	0.07257	1.3	0.5576	2	0.05573	1.8	0.6	451.6	5.5	450	8			
CAM-12-01	A249	lower A3	64	6.5	0.70	0.07271	1.3	0.5587	2	0.05574	1.8	0.6	452.4	5.5	451	8			
CAM-12-01	A250	lower A3	83	8.6	0.77	0.07266	1.2	0.5564	2	0.05554	2.0	0.5	452.2	5.4	449	8			
CAM-12-01	A251	lower A3	79	9.9	1.26	0.07256	1.2	0.5588	3	0.05585	2.9	0.4	451.5	5.4	451	12			
CAM-12-01	A252	lower A3	115	16.1	1.25	0.07212	1.4	0.5495	5	0.05526	5.0	0.3	448.9	5.9	445	19	423	112	106
CAM-12-01	A253	lower A3	138	12.7	0.55	0.0725	1.3	0.5538	2	0.0554	1.8	0.6	451.2	5.6	447	8			
CAM-12-01	A254	lower A3	68	7.1	0.81	0.07272	1.2	0.555	2	0.05535	1.6	0.6	452.5	5.4	448	7			
CAM-12-01	A255	lower A3	62	7.2	1.07	0.07299	1.3	0.5609	2	0.05574	1.7	0.6	454.1	5.6	452	8			
CAM-12-01	A256	lower A3	69	9.5	1.53	0.07208	1.2	0.5508	2	0.05542	1.4	0.7	448.7	5.4	445	7			
CAM-12-01	A257	lower A3	82	10.5	1.35	0.07131	1.2	0.5454	2	0.05548	1.3	0.7	444.0	5.3	442	7			
CAM-12-01	A258	lower A3	67	6.5	0.67	0.07183	1.2	0.5512	3	0.05566	2.9	0.4	447.2	5.4	446	11			
CAM-12-01	A259	lower A3	94	9.8	0.84	0.07202	1.3	0.5467	3	0.05505	2.3	0.5	448.3	5.5	443	9			
CAM-12-01	A260	lower A3	92	9.3	0.81	0.07039	1.2	0.5493	3	0.05659	2.4	0.5	438.5	5.3	445	10			
CAM-11-13	A84	lower A3	35	3.6	2.30	0.0673	2.1	0.4918	7.9	0.053	7.6	0.3	419.9	8.5	406	27	329	173	128
CAM-11-13	A85	lower A3	54	5.9	3.06	0.06631	1.7	0.5042	2.5	0.0551	1.9	0.7	413.9	6.7	415	9	418	43	99
CAM-11-13	A86	lower A3	67	7.0	2.62	0.06819	1.8	0.5201	2.6	0.0553	2.0	0.7	425.3	7.3	425	9	425	44	100
CAM-11-13	A87	lower A3	43	4.1	2.33	0.06713	1.9	0.5114	2.8	0.0553	2.1	0.7	418.8	7.6	419	10	422	46	99
CAM-11-13	A88	lower A3	69	6.2	1.33	0.06793	2.1	0.5165	9.3	0.0551	9.1	0.2	423.7	8.5	423	33	418	202	101
CAM-11-13	A89	lower A3	77	7.6	2.31	0.06866	1.7	0.5378	3.4	0.0568	2.9	0.5	428.1	7.1	437	12	484	64	88
CAM-11-13	A90	lower A3	23	8.0	17.1	0.06336	2.8	0.4739	14.2	0.0543	13.9	0.2	396.0	10.8	394	47	381	312	104
CAM-11-13	A091	lower A3	26	8.7	17.2	0.06598	2.4	0.4585	26.0	0.0504	25.9	0.1	411.9	9.7	383	87	214	600	193
CAM-11-13	A92	lower A3	26	10.0	20.1	0.06718	2.0	0.5182	8.1	0.0559	7.9	0.2	419.1	8.2	424	29	450	175	93
CAM-11-13	A93	lower A3	159	13.4	1.30	0.06645	1.5	0.5094	5.4	0.0556	5.2	0.3	414.7	6.2	418	19	436	116	95
CAM-11-13	A94	lower A3	34	11.4	17.4	0.06678	1.8	0.5115	7.6	0.0556	7.4	0.2	416.7	7.3	419	27	435	165	96
CAM-11-13	A95	lower A3	30	9.7	16.8	0.06723	1.7	0.4902	7.9	0.0529	7.7	0.2	419.5	6.9	405	27	324	176	130
CAM-11-13	A96	lower A3	27	10.0	18.5	0.06736	1.9	0.5004	8.2	0.0539	8.0	0.2	420.2	7.6	412	28	366	180	115
CAM-11-13	A97	lower A3	28	8.9	15.8	0.06658	1.8	0.5089	8.0	0.0554	7.8	0.2	415.5	7.1	418	28	430	174	97
CAM-11-13	A98	lower A3	21	7.5	18.2	0.06521	2.2	0.4867	8.8	0.0541	8.5	0.2	407.2	8.6	403	30	376	192	108
CAM-11-13	A99	lower A3	61	8.6	5.07	0.06709	1.9	0.5148	11.3	0.0556	11.2	0.2	418.6	7.8	422	40	438	249	96
CAM-11-13	A100	lower A3	31	8.6	13.87	0.06742	1.8	0.5055	7.5	0.0544	7.3	0.2	420.6	7.5	415	26	387	163	109
CAM-11-13	A101	lower A3	86	9.2	2.73	0.06598	1.7	0.4921	3.4	0.0541	2.9	0.5	411.9	6.8	406	11	375	66	110
CAM-11-13	A107	lower A3	40	5.3	4.50	0.06926	1.5	0.5193	3.7	0.0544	3.3	0.4	431.7	6.5	425	13	387	75	112
CAM-11-13	A108	lower A3	55	5.3	2.27	0.0659	1.7	0.4945	2.4	0.0544	1.7	0.7	411.4	6.6	408	8	389	38	106
CAM-11-13	A110	lower A3	33	4.0	3.23	0.07706	1.9	0.6053	3.5	0.0570	3.0	0.5	478.5	8.8	481	14	490	66	98
CAM-11-13	A111	lower A3	63	6.3	2.47	0.06889	1.5	0.5361	2.2	0.0564	1.6	0.7	429.5	6.2	436	8	470	35	91
CAM-11-13	A113	lower A3	43	4.1	2.16	0.0681	1.7	0.5195	2.3	0.0553	1.6	0.7	424.7	7.0	425	8	426	35	100
CAM-11-13	A114	lower A3	44	4.4	2.33	0.06771	1.5	0.512	2.5	0.0548	2.0	0.6	422.4	6.2	420	9	406	44	104
CAM-11-13	A115	lower A3	55	5.1	1.88	0.06932	1.7	0.5346	4.9	0.0559	4.6	0.3	432.1	7.2	435	18	450	102	96
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Sample	Spot	Sub-Unit	U ^b (ppm)	Pb ^b (ppm)	Th ^b U	206Pb ^d 238U		±2σ	207Pb ^d 235U		±2σ	207Pb ^d 206Pb		±2σ	rho ^e	aparent ages						conc.
						±2σ	±2σ		±2σ	±2σ		206Pb 238U	±2σ			207Pb 235U	±2σ	207Pb 206Pb	±2σ			
CAM-11-13	A127	lower A3	51	4.6	1.72	0.0702	1.8	0.5371	2.3	0.0555	1.4	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	437.4	7.6	437	8	432	32	101
CAM-11-13	A128	lower A3	61	4.9	1.52	0.06361	1.6	0.4881	2.6	0.0557	2.0	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	397.5	6.1	404	9	439	45	91
CAM-11-13	DL-41	lower A3	68	5.0	2.093	0.0767	1.0	0.66508	2.5	0.06289	2.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	476.4	9.0	517.7	20.5	704.7	49	92
CAM-11-13	DL-41	lower A3	100	6.0	0.584	0.07305	0.8	0.62282	2.2	0.06184	2.1	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	454.5	6.9	491.6	17.2	668.6	44	92.4
CAM-11-13	DL-41	lower A3	70	5.0	1.62	0.07409	0.9	0.58396	2.5	0.05716	2.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	460.8	8.4	467	18.9	497.9	52	98.7
CAM-11-13	DL-41	lower A3	209	14.0	0.956	0.0733	0.7	0.56673	1.8	0.05607	1.6	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	456.0	6.5	455.9	12.9	455.3	36	100
CAM-11-13	DL-41	lower A3	102	7.0	2.973	0.07624	0.9	0.58713	2.1	0.05586	1.9	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	473.6	8.2	469	15.8	446.7	43	101
CAM-11-13	DL-41	lower A3	132	9.0	1.815	0.07796	0.8	0.70682	2.1	0.06576	2	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	483.9	7.8	542.9	18	798.7	41	89.1
CAM-11-13	DL-41	lower A3	96	6.0	2.483	0.07403	0.9	0.62282	2	0.06102	1.8	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	460.4	7.9	491.6	15.9	639.8	40	93.7
CAM-11-13	DL-41	lower A3	99	6.0	1.956	0.07348	0.8	0.59335	1.9	0.05856	1.8	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	457.1	7.2	473	14.8	550.9	39	96.6
CAM-11-13	DL-41	lower A3	62	4.0	1.326	0.07432	1.0	0.58765	2.4	0.05735	2.2	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	462.1	8.5	469.4	18	504.9	48	98.5
CAM-11-13	DL-41	lower A3	72	5.0	2.383	0.07787	1.2	0.79962	4	0.07448	3.8	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	483.4	10.8	596.6	36.1	1054	77	81
CAM-11-13	DL-41	lower A3	115	8.0	1.566	0.07467	0.8	0.59981	2	0.05826	1.8	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	464.2	7.4	477.1	15.3	539.6	40	97.3
CAM-11-13	DL-41	lower A3	88	6.0	1.219	0.07299	0.9	0.56674	2.2	0.05631	2.1	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	454.2	8.0	455.9	16.6	464.7	46	99.6
CAM-11-13	DL-41	lower A3	103	7.0	1.477	0.0715	1.0	0.56501	2.3	0.05731	2	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	445.2	8.7	454.8	16.7	503.7	45	97.9
CAM-11-13	DL-41	lower A3	91	6.0	1.38	0.07545	0.9	0.58706	2.2	0.05643	2	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	468.9	8.2	469	16.4	469.4	44	100
CAM-11-13	DL-41	lower A3	88	6.0	2.145	0.07405	0.9	0.58685	2.2	0.05748	2	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	460.5	7.7	468.9	16.8	510	45	98.2
CAM-11-13	DL-41	lower A3	85	6.0	1.04	0.07555	0.9	0.68486	2.4	0.06575	2.2	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	469.5	7.9	529.7	19.7	798.3	47	88.6
CAM-11-13	DL-41	lower A3	88	6.0	1.255	0.07412	0.8	0.62347	2.2	0.061	2	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	461.0	7.5	492	17.3	639.4	44	93.7
CAM-11-13	DL-41	lower A3	117	8.0	1.653	0.07451	0.9	0.5798	2	0.05644	1.8	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	463.2	7.6	464.3	15	469.8	40	99.8
CAM-11-13	DL-41	lower A3	84	5.0	1.94	0.07386	0.9	0.62194	2.1	0.06107	1.9	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	459.4	8.1	491.1	16.6	641.8	42	93.5
CAM-11-05	A273	A2	26	2.5	2.11	0.07032	2.1	0.5343	3.7	0.0551	3.1	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	438.1	8.8	435	13	417	69	105
CAM-11-05	A274	A2	38	4.0	2.63	0.06967	2.0	0.5411	3.6	0.0563	3.0	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	434.2	8.4	439	13	465	66	93
CAM-11-05	A275	A2	36	3.5	2.54	0.06586	2.3	0.5124	8.0	0.0564	7.7	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	411.2	9.1	420	28	469	170	88
CAM-11-05	A276	A2	102	12.6	3.74	0.0689	2.3	0.5262	3.0	0.0554	2.0	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	429.5	9.4	429	11	428	45	100
CAM-11-05	A277	A2	84	6.5	0.89	0.06875	2.4	0.5193	3.7	0.0548	2.8	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	428.6	10.0	425	13	403	63	106
CAM-11-05	A278	A2	42	3.8	1.63	0.07034	3.7	0.5414	14.8	0.0558	14	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	438.2	15.8	439	54	445	317	98
CAM-11-05	A279	A2	103	12.2	3.53	0.06961	2.0	0.5356	3.9	0.0558	3.3	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	433.8	8.6	435	14	445	73	98
CAM-11-05	A280	A2	58	6.1	2.54	0.07115	2.1	0.5844	3.3	0.0596	2.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	443.1	9.1	467	13	588	56	75
CAM-11-05	A281	A2	126	11.8	1.88	0.07033	2.1	0.5503	3.3	0.0568	2.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	438.2	8.9	445	12	482	58	91
CAM-11-05	A282	A2	50	4.9	1.98	0.07122	2.0	0.5595	2.7	0.057	1.8	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	443.5	8.6	451	10	491	41	90
CAM-11-05	A288	A2	41	4.1	2.30	0.07067	2.2	0.5383	3.4	0.0552	2.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	440.2	9.4	437	12	422	58	104
CAM-11-05	A289	A2	26	3.4	4.19	0.06989	2.1	0.5348	9.0	0.0555	8.8	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	435.5	8.7	435	32	432	196	101
CAM-11-05	A290	A2	54	6.3	3.29	0.07127	2.1	0.5635	3.2	0.0573	2.4	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	443.8	8.9	454	12	505	53	88
CAM-11-05	A291	A2	39	4.3	2.93	0.0707	2.2	0.5397	3.6	0.0554	2.9	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	440.4	9.2	438	13	427	65	103
CAM-11-05	A292	A2	108	0.4	1.08	0.003132	2.3	0.02073	10.1	0.048	9.8	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	20.2	0.5	21	2			
CAM-11-05	A293	A2	49	4.8	2.21	0.07062	2.0	0.5454	3.0	0.056	2.2	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	439.9	8.4	442	11	453	49	97
CAM-11-05	A294	A2	108	0.5	1.45	0.003495	2.5	0.0222	10.7	0.0461	10	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	22.5	0.6	22	2			
CAM-11-05	A295	A2	33	3.3	2.21	0.0689	2.2	0.5247	5.6	0.0552	5.1	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	429.5	9.2	428	20	422	115	102
CAM-11-05	A297	A2	33	4.2	3.65	0.07259	2.2	0.5638	6.1	0.0563	5.7	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	451.7	9.4	454	22	465	126	97
CAM-11-05	A298	A2	107	11.2	2.79	0.06822	2.0	0.5180	3.5	0.0551	2.9	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	425.4	8.4	424	12	415	65	103
CAM-11-05	A299	A2	57	6.3	2.83	0.07042	2.2	0.5416	3.3	0.0558	2.5	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	438.7	9.3	439	12	444	55	99
CAM-11-05	A300	A2	187	0.6	0.89	0.002953	2.4	0.01845	10.1	0.0453	9.8	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	19.0	0.5	19	2			
CAM-11-05	A301	A2	52	5.6	2.67	0.06893	2.1	0.5183	3.4	0.0545	2.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	429.7	8.6	424	12	393	61	109
CAM-11-05	A302	A2	38	3.7	2.02	0.06951	2.1	0.5245	3.7	0.0547	3.0	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	433.2	8.9	428	13	401	67	108
CAM-11-05	A303	A2	30	3.2	2.70	0.06978	2.1	0.5377	2.9	0.0559	2.0	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	434.8	9.0	437	11	448	45	97
CAM-11-05	A304	A2	102	13.1	4.53	0.06918	2.0	0.5335	2.4	0.0559	1.4	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	431.2	8.2	434	9	450	31	96
CAM-11-05	A306	A2	28	3.7	4.19	0.07186	2.1	0.5676	6.7	0.0573	6.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	447.3	9.0	456	25	503	139	89
CAM-11-05	A307	A2	55	8.5	5.14	0.08321	2.1	0.6623	2.7	0.0577	1.7	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	515.3	10.3	516	11	519	38	99
CAM-11-05	A308	A2	26	2.7	2.57	0.06878	2.1	0.5150	5.4	0.0543	5.0	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	428.8		422	19	384	112	112
CAM-11-05	A309	A2	50	5.5	2.89	0.0692	2.1	0.5272	5.9	0.0553	5.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	431.4	9.0	430	21	422	122	102
CAM-11-05	A310	A2	57	5.3	1.81	0.06967	2.1	0.5341	2.6	0.0556	1.5	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	434.1	8.7	435	9	437	34	99
CAM-11-05	A311	A2	88	10.7	3.78	0.06887	2.0	0.5262	2.3	0.0554	1.2	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	429.4	8.4	429	8	429	26	100
CAM-11-05	A312	A2	28	3.2	3.21	0.0688	2.2	0.5213	3.4	0.055	2.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	428.9	9.1	426	12	411	59	104
CAM-11-05	A313	A2	22	2.2	2.36	0.07018	2.3	0.5316	4.3	0.0549	3.7	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	437.2	9.6	433	15	410	82	107
CAM-11-05	A314	A2	39	4.0	2.24	0.06873	2.0	0.5283	4.8	0.0558	4.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	428.5	8.3	431	17	443	96	97
CAM-11-05	A315	A2	144	12.9	1.68	0.06914	2.0	0.5279	3.3	0.0554	2.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	431.0	8.4	430	12	427	59	101
CAM-11-05	A31</																					

Sample	Spot	Sub-Unit	U ^b (ppm)	Pb ^b (ppm)	Th ^b U	206Pb ^d 238U		±2σ	207Pb ^d 235U		±2σ	207Pb ^d 206Pb		±2σ	rho ^e	aparent ages						conc.
						206Pb ^d 238U	(%)		207Pb ^d 235U	(%)		206Pb ^d 206Pb	(%)			206Pb ^d 238U	±2σ (Ma)	207Pb ^d 235U	±2σ (Ma)	207Pb ^d 206Pb	±2σ (Ma)	
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	142	10.0	1.724	0.0742	0.8	0.59172	1.9	0.05784	1.8	0.4	461.4	7.6	472	14.7	523.7	39	97.8			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	185	1.0	0.873	0.00356	1.7	0.03721	5.2	0.07578	4.9	0.3	22.9	0.8	37.1	3.8	1089	99	61.8			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	76	5.0	1.167	0.07574	0.8	0.60435	2.3	0.05787	2.1	0.4	470.6	7.3	480	17.3	525	46	98.1			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	140	10.0	0.451	0.07413	0.8	0.56664	1.9	0.05544	1.7	0.4	461.0	7.0	455.8	14.1	430	39	101.1			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	59	4.0	1.217	0.07373	1.0	0.59576	2.5	0.0586	2.3	0.4	458.6	8.8	474.5	19.3	552.4	51	96.6			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	269	18.0	0.744	0.07251	0.8	0.56337	1.7	0.05635	1.5	0.5	451.2	6.9	453.7	12.3	466.3	33	99.5			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	168	11.0	1.511	0.07136	0.8	0.56068	1.8	0.05698	1.6	0.4	444.4	6.6	452	12.9	490.9	35	98.3			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	54	3.0	1.088	0.07516	1.0	0.70794	2.8	0.06831	2.6	0.4	467.2	9.3	543.5	23.6	878.1	54	86			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	170	11.0	1.473	0.07287	0.8	0.56601	1.8	0.05633	1.6	0.5	453.4	7.2	455.4	13.5	465.6	37	99.6			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	108	7.0	0.134	0.0723	0.9	0.55687	2.1	0.05586	2	0.4	450.0	7.5	449.5	15.6	447	44	100.1			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	209	13.0	1.47	0.06684	0.9	0.54434	1.8	0.05906	1.6	0.5	417.1	7.0	441.3	13	569.5	35	94.5			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	157	11.0	1.247	0.07385	0.8	0.57823	1.9	0.05679	1.7	0.4	459.3	6.9	463.3	14.1	483.3	38	99.1			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	129	9.0	1.091	0.07804	0.9	0.61758	2.1	0.0574	1.9	0.4	484.4	8.0	488.3	16	506.9	41	99.2			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	64	4.0	1.226	0.07323	1.0	0.5985	2.5	0.05928	2.3	0.4	455.6	9.1	476.3	19.4	577.3	51	95.7			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	230	15.0	0.651	0.07295	0.8	0.55082	1.7	0.05476	1.5	0.5	453.9	6.8	445.5	12	402.6	33	101.9			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	67	5.0	0.89	0.07335	0.9	0.58891	2.3	0.05823	2.2	0.4	456.3	7.5	470.2	17.7	538.4	48	97.1			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	80	5.0	1.255	0.07353	0.9	0.5758	2.1	0.05679	1.9	0.4	457.4	8.0	461.8	15.7	483.6	42	99.1			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	124	8.0	0.572	0.072	0.8	0.54866	1.9	0.05526	1.7	0.5	448.2	7.4	444.1	13.7	423	38	100.9			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	312	56.0	0.805	0.19369	0.8	2.22604	1.4	0.08336	1.2	0.5	1141.3	15.9	1189	19.9	1278	24	96			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	204	14.0	1.546	0.07298	0.9	0.59461	1.9	0.05909	1.6	0.5	454.1	8.3	473.8	14.2	570.6	35	95.8			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	130	9.0	1.109	0.0732	0.9	0.57388	2	0.05686	1.8	0.4	455.4	7.7	460.5	15.2	486.1	41	98.9			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	95	6.0	0.964	0.07354	0.9	0.58627	2.2	0.05782	2.1	0.4	457.4	7.6	468.5	16.8	523.1	45	97.6			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	113	8.0	1.022	0.07929	0.8	0.70319	2.3	0.06432	2.2	0.4	491.9	7.8	540.7	19.4	752.3	46	91			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	60	4.0	1.093	0.07663	0.9	0.61779	2.2	0.05847	2	0.4	476.0	8.6	488.5	17.3	547.5	44	97.4			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	70	5.0	1.52	0.07923	1.0	0.85341	2.3	0.07812	2.1	0.4	491.5	9.0	626.5	21.9	1150	42	78.5			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	431	92.0	0.142	0.23073	0.8	3.68654	1.5	0.11588	1.3	0.6	1338.3	20.5	1569	24.8	1894	24	85.3			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	151	10.0	1.243	0.0726	0.8	0.56939	2	0.05688	1.8	0.4	451.8	7.3	457.6	14.6	486.9	40	98.7			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	557	36.0	1.364	0.07098	0.8	0.54908	1.5	0.0561	1.3	0.5	442.1	6.7	444.4	11.1	456.5	30	99.5			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	148	0.0	0.887	0.00354	1.8	0.02926	6.5	0.05991	6.2	0.3	22.8	0.8	29.3	3.7	600.5	135	77.8			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	316	21.0	0.591	0.07142	0.8	0.55491	1.6	0.05636	1.4	0.5	444.7	6.8	448.2	11.8	466.4	32	99.2			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	72	5.0	1.106	0.07431	0.9	0.58776	2.2	0.05737	2.1	0.4	462.1	8.0	469.4	16.9	505.7	45	98.4			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	84	6.0	1.044	0.07421	0.9	0.57631	2.1	0.05633	1.9	0.4	461.4	8.0	462.1	15.5	465.3	42	99.9			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	115	8.0	1.234	0.07308	0.9	0.58694	2	0.05825	1.8	0.5	454.7	8.2	468.9	15.4	539.2	40	97			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	118	8.0	1.613	0.08287	1.3	1.67154	3.9	0.14629	3.7	0.3	513.2	12.5	997.8	49.8	2303	63	51.4			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	136	9.0	1.189	0.07209	0.8	0.58281	1.9	0.05863	1.8	0.4	448.8	7.0	466.3	14.6	553.5	39	96.2			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	171	12.0	0.95	0.07425	0.8	0.5635	1.8	0.05504	1.6	0.5	461.7	7.4	453.8	12.9	414	35	101.7			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	119	0.0	0.931	0.00362	1.8	0.02368	7.1	0.04745	6.9	0.3	23.3	0.9	23.8	3.3	72.1	163	98			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	181	13.0	1.071	0.07536	0.8	0.59053	1.8	0.05683	1.6	0.4	468.4	7.0	471.2	13.6	485.1	36	99.4			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	114	8.0	0.994	0.07486	0.8	0.5755	2.1	0.05576	2	0.4	465.4	7.4	461.6	16	442.8	44	100.8			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	182	12.0	1.167	0.07408	0.8	0.58195	1.8	0.05697	1.6	0.5	460.7	7.2	465.7	13.5	490.6	36	98.9			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	140	10.0	0.923	0.07453	0.9	0.6035	2	0.05873	1.8	0.4	463.4	7.9	479.5	15.4	557.2	40	96.6			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	167	1.0	0.932	0.00351	1.7	0.02742	6.3	0.05661	6.1	0.3	22.6	0.8	27.5	3.4	476.3	135	82.3			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	152	1.0	0.838	0.00365	1.8	0.03009	6.3	0.05982	6.1	0.3	23.5	0.8	30.1	3.7	597.3	131	78			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	173	12.0	1.006	0.074	0.8	0.56025	1.8	0.05491	1.6	0.5	460.2	7.2	451.7	13	408.6	36	101.9			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	119	8.0	0.879	0.0759	0.8	0.59877	2	0.05721	1.8	0.4	471.6	7.5	476.5	14.9	499.8	39	99			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	164	11.0	0.724	0.07474	0.9	0.89997	2.7	0.08733	2.5	0.4	464.7	8.4	651.7	26.1	1368	49	71.3			
CAM-11-20	ALL-7	A2	65	1.0	4.088	0.0214	1.5	0.25443	3.8	0.08622	3.5	0.4	136.5	3.9	230.2	15.9	1343	69	59.3			
CAM-12-08b	A215	A2	147	0.6	0.93	0.003677	2.1	0.0237	5.7	0.04675	5.3	0.4	23.7	0.5	23.8	1.3						
CAM-12-08b	A216	A2	143	0.6	0.88	0.003475	1.9	0.02171	6.5	0.04531	6.3	0.3	22.4	0.4	21.8	1.4						
CAM-12-08b	A217	A2	92	9.0	1.83	0.07349	1.5	0.5714	2.3	0.0564	1.7	0.6	457.1	6.5	459	8	468	38	98			
CAM-12-08b	A218	A2	234	1.0	1.34	0.00346	1.7	0.02055	9.0	0.04307	8.8	0.2	22.3	0.4	20.7	1.8						
CAM-12-08b	A219	A2	85	0.5	0.67	0.005389	1.7	0.03484	8.5	0.04688	8.3	0.2	34.6	0.6	34.8	2.9						
CAM-12-08b	A220	A2	211	18.3	1.22	0.07292	1.4	0.5648	2.1	0.05617	1.6	0.7	453.7	6.1	455	8	459	36	99			
CAM-12-08b	A221	A2	183	0.7	0.93	0.003533	1.8	0.02354	4.7	0.04831	4.3	0.4	22.7	0.4	23.6	1.1						
CAM-12-08b	A222	A2	126	44.8	0.71	0.3204	1.4	4.86	1.6	0.11	0.72	0.9	1791.6	21.7	1795	13	1800	13	100			
CAM-12-08b	A223	A2	189	66.2	0.71	0.3183	1.4	4.836	1.6	0.1102	0.74	0.9	1781.4	21.9	1791	13	1802	13	99			
CAM-12-08b	A224	A2	385	1.5	1.29	0.003264	1.8	0.02093	4.7	0.04651	4.4	0.4	21.0	0.4	21.0	1.0						
CAM-12-08b	A225	A2	118	10.5	1.39	0.07305	1.4	0.5612	2.8	0.05572	2.4	0.5	454.5	6.3	452	10	441	54	103			
CAM-12-08b	A226	A2	229	66.5	0.67	0.2718	1.4	3.725	1.5	0.0994	0.65	0.9	1549.8	18.7	1577	12	1613	12	96			
CAM-12-08b	A227	A2	167	33.9	1.39																	

Sample	Spot	Sub-Unit	U ^b (ppm)	Pb ^b (ppm)	Th ^b U	206Pb ^d 238U		207Pb ^d 235U		207Pb ^d 206Pb		rho ^e	aparent ages					conc. (%)	
						±2σ	(%)	±2σ	(%)	±2σ	(%)		206Pb 238U	±2σ	207Pb 235U	±2σ	207Pb 206Pb		
CAM-11-07	A132	A2	183	0.8	1.93	0.00344	2.0	0.02102	17.1	0.0443	17.0	0.1	22.1	0.4	21	4	-94	418	-24
CAM-11-07	A133	A2	83	7.5	1.65	0.06877	1.7	0.514	2.7	0.0542	2.2	0.6	428.7	6.9	421	9	380	48	113
CAM-11-07	A134	A2	70	5.8	1.15	0.06902	1.9	0.5041	6.9	0.0530	6.6	0.3	430.2	8.0	414	24	327	151	131
CAM-11-07	A135	A2	58	6.8	2.64	0.07851	1.9	0.6098	4.2	0.0563	3.7	0.5	487.2	9.1	483	16	466	81	105
CAM-11-07	A136	A2	108	9.1	1.29	0.06964	1.5	0.5331	2.4	0.0555	1.9	0.6	434.0	6.2	434	9	433	43	100
CAM-11-07	A137	A2	76	7.4	2.20	0.06874	1.7	0.5214	3.1	0.0550	2.5	0.6	428.6	7.2	426	11	413	56	104
CAM-11-07	A138	A2	59	5.4	2.03	0.06655	1.8	0.5081	2.3	0.0554	1.6	0.7	415.3	7.1	417	8	428	35	97
CAM-11-07	A139	A2	88	0.6	2.61	0.00394	2.2	0.02446	9.1	0.0450	8.8	0.2	25.4	0.6	25	2	-55	215	-46
CAM-11-07	A140	A2	107	8.9	1.37	0.0681	1.6	0.5316	2.6	0.0566	2.1	0.6	424.7	6.4	433	9	477	46	89
CAM-11-07	A141	A2	83	7.1	1.36	0.07114	1.6	0.5221	3.1	0.0532	2.6	0.5	443.0	6.8	427	11	339	60	131
CAM-11-07	A142	A2	97	0.4	1.61	0.003334	2.0	0.02154	4.7	0.0469	4.3	0.4	21.5	0.4	22	1	42	103	51
CAM-11-07	A143	A2	63	6.3	2.11	0.07384	1.6	0.5658	3.1	0.0556	2.6	0.5	459.3	7.3	455	11	435	58	106
CAM-11-07	A144	A2	51	4.8	2.02	0.0689	1.7	0.538	2.7	0.0566	2.2	0.6	429.5	7.1	437	10	477	48	90
CAM-11-07	A145	A2	32	3.0	1.88	0.06977	2.0	0.531	3.1	0.0552	2.4	0.6	434.8	8.3	432	11	420	53	103
CAM-11-07	A151	A2	55	5.6	2.45	0.06895	1.7	0.5252	2.7	0.0552	2.1	0.6	429.8	7.0	429	9	422	46	102
CAM-11-07	A152	A2	93	9.1	2.24	0.0691	1.6	0.5288	2.4	0.0555	1.7	0.7	430.7	6.8	431	8	433	38	100
CAM-11-07	A153	A2	42	3.8	1.64	0.07007	1.8	0.5232	7.0	0.0542	6.7	0.3	436.6	7.6	427	25	377	151	116
CAM-11-07	A154	A2	102	10.1	2.37	0.06824	1.6	0.5244	3.1	0.0557	2.6	0.5	425.5	6.8	428	11	442	59	96
CAM-11-07	A155	A2	62	5.7	1.76	0.0697	1.7	0.5327	2.1	0.0554	1.3	0.8	434.4	7.1	434	8	430	29	101
CAM-11-07	A156	A2	60	4.6	0.55	0.06723	1.7	0.5107	6.6	0.0551	6.3	0.3	419.4	7.1	419	23	416	141	101
CAM-11-07	A300	A2	76	8.6	2.65	0.06666	1.6	0.5069	3.9	0.05515	3.5	0.4	416.0	6.3	416	13	418	79	99
CAM-11-07	A301	A2	259	22.2	0.99	0.07538	1.4	0.573	1.7	0.05513	1.0	0.8	468.5	6.2	460	6	417	23	112
CAM-11-07	A302	A2	86	8.1	1.28	0.0789	1.4	0.6209	2.0	0.05708	1.4	0.7	489.5	6.7	490	8	495	31	99
CAM-11-07	A303	A2	168	16.3	1.46	0.0787	1.5	0.6198	2.6	0.05712	2.2	0.6	488.3	6.9	490	10	496	48	98
CAM-11-07	A304	A2	65	6.3	1.56	0.07671	1.4	0.6023	2.3	0.05694	1.8	0.6	476.4	6.5	479	9	489	40	97
CAM-11-07	A305	A2	165	14.7	1.25	0.07448	1.4	0.5824	1.9	0.05671	1.2	0.8	463.1	6.4	466	7	480	27	96
CAM-11-07	A306	A2	146	15.6	2.25	0.07669	1.4	0.6018	2.0	0.05691	1.3	0.7	476.3	6.6	478	7	488	29	98
CAM-11-07	A307	A2	160	14.5	1.28	0.07563	1.4	0.5894	1.9	0.05652	1.3	0.7	470.0	6.4	470	7	473	30	99
CAM-11-07	A308	A2	55	5.3	1.61	0.0746	1.5	0.5973	2.6	0.05807	2.2	0.6	463.8	6.6	476	10	533	47	87
CAM-11-07	A309	A2	210	18.2	1.16	0.07417	1.4	0.5737	1.9	0.0561	1.2	0.8	461.2	6.3	460	7	456	27	101
CAM-11-07	A310	A2	496	2.2	1.10	0.00377	1.5	0.02427	4.1	0.04668	3.8	0.4	24.3	0.4	24	1			
CAM-11-07	A311	A2	108	11.2	2.13	0.07331	1.4	0.5742	2.0	0.05681	1.4	0.7	456.1	6.3	461	8	484	32	94
CAM-11-07	A312	A2	147	12.7	1.12	0.07338	1.4	0.5716	1.9	0.05649	1.2	0.7	456.5	6.2	459	7	472	28	97
CAM-11-07	A313	A2	131	12.0	1.57	0.07219	1.5	0.5586	2.4	0.05612	1.9	0.6	449.3	6.4	451	9	457	43	98
CAM-11-07	A314	A2	103	9.2	1.30	0.07406	1.4	0.5734	2.2	0.05615	1.6	0.7	460.6	6.4	460	8	458	36	101
CAM-11-07	A315	A2	217	19.0	1.25	0.07339	1.4	0.5676	2.0	0.05609	1.3	0.7	456.6	6.3	456	7	456	30	100
CAM-11-07	A316	A2	91	8.5	1.58	0.07292	1.5	0.5587	2.5	0.05557	2.1	0.6	453.7	6.4	451	9	435	46	104
CAM-11-07	A317	A2	27	2.9	2.21	0.07484	1.5	0.5864	3.2	0.05683	2.8	0.5	465.3	6.7	469	12	485	61	96
CAM-11-07	A318	A2	157	1.1	2.08	0.003257	3.3	0.0218	5.4	0.04856	4.3	0.6	21.0	0.7	22	1			
CAM-11-07	A319	A2	236	1.4	2.52	0.003881	2.1	0.02508	15.3	0.04687	15.0	0.1	25.0	0.5	25	4			
CAM-11-07	A320	A2	89	7.9	1.15	0.07559	1.6	0.5874	2.7	0.05637	2.1	0.6	469.7	7.3	469	10	467	47	101
CAM-11-07	A321	A2	150	15.0	1.86	0.07487	1.6	0.5766	2.3	0.05586	1.7	0.7	465.4	7.0	462	9	447	38	104
CAM-11-07	A322	A2	167	14.8	1.46	0.07174	1.4	0.5587	2.0	0.05648	1.3	0.7	446.6	6.1	451	7	471	30	95
CAM-11-07	A323	A2	191	1.9	1.59	0.003126	3.0	0.02637	7.4	0.06118	6.8	0.4	20.1	0.6	26	2	646	147	3
CAM-11-07	A324	A2	148	13.1	1.25	0.07308	1.5	0.5672	2.6	0.05629	2.1	0.6	454.7	6.7	456	10	464	46	98
CAM-11-07	A325	A2	84	7.2	1.05	0.07365	1.5	0.5647	2.1	0.0556	1.5	0.7	458.1	6.4	455	8	437	34	105
CAM-11-07	A326	A2	101	8.8	1.26	0.07265	1.4	0.5571	2.3	0.05562	1.9	0.6	452.1	6.2	450	9	437	41	103
CAM-11-07	A327	A2	203	17.7	1.28	0.07301	1.4	0.5653	1.9	0.05615	1.3	0.7	454.3	6.2	455	7	458	28	99
CAM-11-07	A333	A2	127	13.0	2.16	0.07372	1.4	0.5754	2.2	0.05661	1.7	0.6	458.5	6.2	462	8	477	38	96
CAM-11-07	A334	A2	143	14.4	1.50	0.07851	1.7	0.6103	5.6	0.05639	5.4	0.3	487.2	7.8	484	22	468	119	104
CAM-10-03	Z117	A2	463	2.1	0.554	4.3	22.1	0.7	26.3	1.4	432	19.6	22.1	0.7					84
CAM-10-03	Z118	A2	248	1.3	1.312	30.5	22.9	0.9	37.6	11.4	1120	49.0	22.9	0.9					61
CAM-10-03	Z124	A2	67	0.5	1.329	12.1	26.0	2	83.4	11.5	2389	92.0	26.0	2.0					31
CAM-10-03	Z111	A2	64	5.5	0.830	2.4	442.0	8.5	445	11.2	458	1.0	442.0	8.5					99
CAM-10-03	Z125	A2	58	5.0	0.900	2.3	449.6	11.3	458	13	503	1.1	449.6	11.3					98
CAM-10-03	Z114	A2	77	7.1	1.043	4.5	450.3	11.8	433	18.5	341	0.8	450.3	11.8					104
CAM-10-03	Z126	A2	84	8.1	1.207	8.7	452.4	14.4	504	37.6	746	1.7	452.4	14.4					90
CAM-10-03	Z127	A2	53	4.5	1.065	4.3	452.8	29.8	466	30.3	530	1.2	452.8	29.8					97
CAM-10-03	Z120	A2	60	5.4	1.080	3.0	457.4	9.3	465	13.9	500	1.1	457.4	9.3					98
CAM-10-03	Z116	A2	84	6.7	0.720	3.9	459.0	11.5	458	17.5	454	1.0	459.0	11.5					100
CAM-10-03	Z115	A2	203	17.8	1.014	1.9	460.0	8	478	10	566	1.2	460.0	8.0					96
CAM-10-03	Z129	A2	37	3.4	1.090	6.8	469.8	11.3	480	27.9	528	1.1	469.8	11.3					98
CAM-10-03	Z119	A2	214	18.5	0.720	2.4	488.3	14.1	501	15.1	561	1.2	488.3	14.1					97
CAM-10-03	Z130	A2	49	4.5	1.049	8.1	495.7	32	518	43.5	616	1.2	495.7	32.0					96
CAM-10-03	Z128	A2	33	6.8	0.810	2.4	1070.1	29.6	1094	25.8	1140	1.1	1140.4	48.5					98
CAM-10-03	Z113	A2	16	4.5	1.998	1.9	1153.0	31.8	1176	25.4	1220	1.1	1219.6	37.8					98
CAM-10-03	Z112	A2	86	27.3	0.669	1.6	1499.2	25.5	1638	20.5	1821	1.2	1820.9	29.3					92
CAM-12-04	A173	A1	106	9.5	0.53	0.07163	1.3	0.5511	3	0.0558	2.7	0.4	446.0	5.6	446	11			
CAM-12-04	A174	A1	95	10.7	1.06	0.06976	1.3	0.5309	3	0.05519	2.6	0							

Sample	Spot	Sub-Unit	U ^b (ppm)	Pb ^b (ppm)	Th ^b U	aparent ages										conc.				
						²⁰⁶ Pb ^d ²³⁸ U	±2σ	²⁰⁷ Pb ^d ²³⁵ U	±2σ	²⁰⁷ Pb ^d ²⁰⁶ Pb	±2σ	rho ^e	²⁰⁶ Pb ²³⁸ U	±2σ	²⁰⁷ Pb ²³⁵ U	±2σ	²⁰⁷ Pb ²⁰⁶ Pb	±2σ	(Ma)	(%)
CAM-12-04	A185	A1	35	4.2	1.22	0.07	1.5	0.5512	3	0.05711	2.3	0.6	436.2	6.5	446	10				
CAM-12-04	A186	A1	68	5.8	0.42	0.07058	1.3	0.5429	2	0.05579	1.9	0.6	439.7	5.6	440	8				
CAM-12-04	A187	A1	66	7.0	0.88	0.06952	1.2	0.5292	5	0.05521	5.0	0.2	433.2	5.2	431	18				
CAM-12-04	A188	A1	136	14.6	0.92	0.07064	1.4	0.5411	2	0.05556	1.7	0.6	440.0	6.0	439	8				
CAM-12-04	A189	A1	194	17.0	0.49	0.06988	1.2	0.5282	2	0.05481	1.4	0.7	435.5	5.3	431	7				
CAM-12-04	A190	A1	59	6.8	1.07	0.06988	1.3	0.545	3	0.05656	3.0	0.4	435.4	5.5	442	12				
CAM-12-04	A191	A1	77	6.8	0.50	0.07066	1.3	0.5387	2	0.0553	2.1	0.5	440.1	5.5	438	9				
CAM-12-04	A192	A1	151	13.3	0.50	0.0702	1.2	0.539	2	0.05569	1.7	0.6	437.4	5.2	438	7				
CAM-12-04	A193	A1	126	10.4	0.41	0.06968	1.3	0.5375	2	0.05595	1.6	0.6	434.2	5.3	437	7				
CAM-12-04	A199	A1	135	12.4	0.63	0.06979	1.3	0.5334	2	0.05543	1.0	0.8	434.9	5.3	434	6				
CAM-12-04	A200	A1	64	6.4	0.58	0.06944	1.3	0.5351	3	0.05589	2.4	0.5	432.8	5.5	435	10				
CAM-12-04	A201	A1	137	12.7	0.62	0.07031	1.3	0.5368	4	0.05537	4.1	0.3	438.0	5.4	436	15				
CAM-12-04	A202	A1	271	18.9	0.13	0.06973	1.3	0.5333	2	0.05547	1.0	0.8	434.5	5.5	434	6				
CAM-12-04	A203	A1	81	9.6	1.16	0.06943	1.4	0.5346	4	0.05584	4.2	0.3	432.7	5.8	435	16				
CAM-12-04	A204	A1	118	10.8	0.60	0.07029	1.2	0.5346	2	0.05516	1.5	0.6	437.9	5.2	435	7	419	34	105	
CAM-11-06	A157	A1	29	3.1	2.79	0.06828	1.7	0.516	3.7	0.0548	3.3	0.5	425.8	7.0	422	13	404	73	105	
CAM-11-06	A158	A1	37	3.3	1.77	0.0682	1.8	0.5193	2.8	0.0552	2.2	0.6	425.3	7.3	425	10	421	49	101	
CAM-11-06	A159	A1	55	4.6	1.51	0.06694	1.7	0.5077	2.3	0.0550	1.5	0.7	417.7	6.9	417	8	412	34	101	
CAM-11-06	A160	A1	92	7.7	1.33	0.06893	1.7	0.5265	2.7	0.0554	2.1	0.6	429.7	6.9	429	9	428	47	100	
CAM-11-06	A162	A1	13	13.0	22.87	0.3036	1.7	4.566	2.3	0.1090	1.6	0.7	1709.0	25.6	1743	20	1784	29	96	
CAM-11-06	A163	A1	34	3.1	1.68	0.06941	1.9	0.5258	4.3	0.0549	3.9	0.4	432.6	7.8	429	15	410	87	105	
CAM-11-06	A164	A1	77	7.9	2.52	0.06972	1.5	0.5278	3.5	0.0549	3.1	0.4	434.5	6.5	430	12	408	69	106	
CAM-11-06	A166	A1	74	6.3	1.35	0.06956	1.8	0.5211	5.3	0.0543	4.9	0.3	433.5	7.5	426	18	385	111	113	
CAM-11-06	A167	A1	23	2.1	1.66	0.06931	1.7	0.5298	3.6	0.0554	3.1	0.5	432.0	7.3	432	13	430	70	101	
CAM-11-06	A168	A1	79	6.7	1.33	0.07	1.8	0.5396	2.9	0.0559	2.3	0.6	436.1	7.7	438	10	449	51	97	
CAM-11-06	A169	A1	48	4.8	2.25	0.07074	1.7	0.5384	3.6	0.0552	3.2	0.5	440.6	7.1	437	13	421	72	105	
CAM-11-06	A170	A1	67	7.6	3.01	0.06997	1.6	0.5369	2.7	0.0557	2.2	0.6	436.0	6.8	436	10	439	48	99	
CAM-11-06	A171	A1	64	5.6	1.67	0.0669	1.7	0.5051	3.5	0.0548	3.0	0.5	417.5	6.7	415	12	402	68	104	
CAM-11-06	A172	A1	58	5.6	2.33	0.06716	1.7	0.5061	4.7	0.0547	4.4	0.4	419.0	6.9	416	16	398	98	105	
CAM-11-06	A174	A1	24	2.7	2.86	0.07094	1.7	0.5276	2.7	0.0539	2.1	0.6	441.8	7.4	430	9	368	46	120	
CAM-11-06	A175	A1	33	2.8	1.40	0.06957	1.7	0.5321	2.5	0.0555	1.8	0.7	433.6	7.2	433	9	431	40	100	
CAM-11-06	A176	A1	65	5.7	1.55	0.06981	1.8	0.5268	3.5	0.0547	3.0	0.5	435.0	7.5	430	12	401	68	108	
CAM-11-06	A177	A1	56	5.5	2.27	0.06898	1.7	0.508	4.0	0.0534	3.6	0.4	430.0	7.1	417	14	346	82	124	
CAM-12-06	A164	A1	58	5.2	1.52	0.07059	1.5	0.5465	2.9	0.05615	2.5	0.5	439.7	6.2	443	10	458	55	96	
CAM-12-06	A165	A1	85	7.2	1.24	0.07063	1.6	0.5395	3.4	0.0554	3.0	0.5	439.9	6.9	438	12	428	66	103	
CAM-12-06	A166	A1	306	24.6	1.07	0.0695	1.4	0.5278	2.0	0.05507	1.4	0.7	433.2	5.9	430	7	415	31	104	
CAM-12-06	A167	A1	157	13.7	1.32	0.07208	1.5	0.5586	2.3	0.0562	1.8	0.6	448.7	6.4	451	9	460	41	97	
CAM-12-06	A168	A1	171	15.1	1.39	0.07175	1.4	0.5558	2.3	0.05618	1.7	0.6	446.7	6.2	449	8	459	39	97	
CAM-12-06	A169	A1	121	10.4	1.29	0.07172	1.4	0.5553	2.0	0.05615	1.5	0.7	446.5	6.0	448	7	458	33	97	
CAM-12-06	A170	A1	64	6.9	2.53	0.07008	1.6	0.5487	6.7	0.05678	6.5	0.2	436.7	6.6	444	24	483	144	90	
CAM-12-06	A171	A1	144	12.4	1.35	0.07037	1.4	0.5318	2.2	0.05481	1.6	0.7	438.4	6.0	433	8	404	37	108	
CAM-12-06	A172	A1	294	24.4	1.19	0.06979	1.4	0.5323	1.7	0.05532	0.92	0.8	434.9	6.1	433	6	425	21	102	
CAM-12-06	A173	A1	151	13.0	1.44	0.0697	1.4	0.533	2.2	0.05546	1.7	0.6	434.3	5.9	434	8	431	37	101	
CAM-12-06	A174	A1	113	9.6	1.29	0.07019	1.5	0.5387	2.7	0.05566	2.2	0.5	437.3	6.2	438	10	439	50	100	
CAM-12-06	A175	A1	81	7.0	1.32	0.07136	1.4	0.5441	2.6	0.0553	2.2	0.5	444.4	6.2	441	9	424	49	105	
CAM-12-06	A176	A1	62	5.6	1.57	0.07052	1.4	0.5356	3.3	0.05508	3.0	0.4	439.3	6.1	435	12	416	67	106	
CAM-12-06	A177	A1	49	5.5	2.94	0.07087	1.6	0.5435	2.4	0.05562	1.7	0.7	441.4	7.0	441	9	437	39	101	
CAM-12-06	A178	A1	162	13.5	1.22	0.06968	1.5	0.5372	2.3	0.05591	1.8	0.6	434.2	6.1	437	8	449	39	97	
CAM-12-06	A179	A1	196	17.4	1.48	0.07137	1.4	0.5529	2.2	0.05619	1.7	0.6	444.4	6.2	447	8	460	38	97	
CAM-12-06	A180	A1	245	20.3	1.18	0.07047	1.4	0.5406	2.5	0.05564	2.0	0.6	439.0	6.2	439	9	438	45	100	
CAM-12-06	A181	A1	145	12.9	1.40	0.0712	1.5	0.5465	2.5	0.05567	2	0.6	443.4	6.6	443	9	439	44	101	
CAM-12-06	A182	A1	150	12.9	1.32	0.07087	1.4	0.5509	2.1	0.05638	1.6	0.7	441.4	5.9	446	8	467	36	94	
CAM-12-06	A183	A1	36	3.6	2.10	0.06957	1.6	0.5276	4.4	0.05501	4.1	0.4	433.5	6.6	430	16	412	93	105	
CAM-12-06	A184	A1	106	9.4	1.53	0.07078	1.4	0.541	2.4	0.05544	1.9	0.6	440.9	5.9	439	8	430	43	103	
CAM-12-06	A185	A1	102	8.9	1.30	0.07146	1.6	0.5454	3.0	0.05536	2.6	0.5	444.9	6.7	442	11	427	58	104	
CAM-12-06	A186	A1	93	9.4	2.44	0.06866	1.5	0.5192	3.3	0.05484	2.9	0.4	428.1	6.0	425	11	406	66	106	
CAM-12-06	A187	A1	24	2.4	2.32	0.07041	1.5	0.5325	3.7	0.05485	3.3	0.4	438.6	6.6	433	13	406	74	108	
CAM-12-06	A188	A1	106	9.0	1.34	0.06941	1.5	0.5356	2.8	0.05596	2.4	0.5	432.6	6.2	436	10	451	53	96	

Appendix 4. LA-ICP-MS geochronology on detrital titanites from the Camaná Formation

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Sample	Spot	Sub-Unit	Color	U ^b (ppm)	Pb ^b (ppm)	Th ^b U	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U ^d		²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²³⁵ U ^d		²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²⁰⁶ Pb ^d		±2σ (%)	rho ^e	apparent ages					conc. (%)
							±2σ (%)	(%)	±2σ (%)	(%)	±2σ (%)	(%)			²⁰⁶ Pb ²³⁸ U	±2σ (Ma)	²⁰⁷ Pb ²³⁵ U	±2σ (Ma)	²⁰⁷ Pb ²⁰⁶ Pb	
CAM-11-01	A92	lower CamB	brown	33.9	11.4	15.54	0.05842	2.6	0.4409	7	0.05473	6.1	0.39	366.0	9.2	370.9	20.8	401.4	136.9	91.2
CAM-11-01	A94	lower CamB	green	525.4	6.0	0.79	0.008066	2.0	0.05138	8	0.0462	7.6	0.25	51.8	1.0	50.9	3.9			
CAM-12-10	A135	lower CamB	brown	41.7	13.5	5.76	0.06299	1.8	0.5019	14.6	0.05779	15.0	0.12	393.8	6.8	413.0	50.9			
CAM-12-10	A137	lower CamB	brown	33.3	11.8	5.96	0.07026	1.9	0.5459	20.5	0.05635	20.0	0.09	437.7	8.2	442.3	76.4			
CAM-12-10	A138	lower CamB	green	23.3	0.6	3.93	0.001576	30.6	0.05238	44.9	0.2411	33.0	0.68	10.1	3.1	51.8	23.0			
CAM-12-10	A139	lower CamB	green	30.9	9.1	5.10	0.04628	3.0	0.3463	55.9	0.05428	56.0	0.05	291.6	8.4	302.0	157.8			
CAM-12-10	A140	lower CamB	brown	32.5	11.1	5.41	0.07722	1.4	1.736	2.1	0.1631	1.6	0.66	479.5	6.3	1022.0	13.4			
CAM-12-10	A142	lower CamB	brown	51.8	16.6	5.39	0.07155	1.7	0.548	26.0	0.05556	26.0	0.07	445.5	7.3	443.7	97.9			
CAM-12-10	A143	lower CamB	brown	27.7	11.1	6.54	0.07551	1.4	1.844	2.0	0.1771	1.5	0.67	469.3	6.2	1061.3	13.4			
CAM-12-10	A144	lower CamB	brown	36.3	13.7	6.68	0.06735	1.7	0.4576	15.8	0.04928	16.0	0.11	420.2	7.0	382.6	51.6			
CAM-12-10	A145	lower CamB	brown	38.0	13.5	6.12	0.0669	1.9	0.417	20.0	0.04521	20.0	0.10	417.4	7.8	353.9	61.5			
CAM-11-03	A207	lower CamB	green	59.4	1.3	8.31	0.005294	4.1	0.03338	7	0.04572	5.6	0.59	34.0	1.4	33.3	2.3			
CAM-11-03	A208	lower CamB	green	32.2	1.9	11.92	0.01272	4.8	0.08358	9	0.04765	7.5	0.54	81.5	3.9	81.5	7.0			
CAM-11-03	A209	lower CamB	brown	106.5	15.1	4.79	0.06808	1.6	0.515	4	0.05487	3.5	0.41	424.6	6.4	421.8	13.4	406.9	79.0	104.3
CAM-11-03	A210	lower CamB	green	58.2	1.3	7.99	0.006074	5.0	0.03944	9	0.0471	7.7	0.54	39.0	1.9	39.3	3.5			
CAM-11-03	A211	lower CamB	green	39.8	1.9	8.92	0.01271	3.8	0.08354	8	0.04765	7.4	0.46	81.4	3.1	81.5	6.5			
CAM-11-03	A212	lower CamB	green	29.7	1.7	10.50	0.01321	4.8	0.08517	9	0.04676	7.7	0.53	84.6	4.1	83.0	7.3			
CAM-11-03	A214	lower CamB	green	23.9	0.9	10.78	0.005406	6.1	0.0356	7	0.04776	4.1	0.83	34.8	2.1	35.5	2.6			
CAM-12-01	A218	lower A3	brown	46.8	12.3	4.41	0.06942	1.5	0.5338	3.3	0.05577	3.0	0.4	432.7	6.2	434.3	11.8			
CAM-12-01	A219	lower A3	brown	52.1	18.0	5.97	0.06913	1.4	0.5269	3.2	0.05528	2.9	0.4	430.9	5.8	429.7	11.2			
CAM-12-01	A220	lower A3	brown	68.8	13.6	2.68	0.07025	1.3	0.5467	2.6	0.05645	2.2	0.5	437.6	5.6	442.9	9.3	470.1	49.3	93.1
CAM-12-01	A221	lower A3	brown	29.3	6.4	2.90	0.06834	1.5	0.5222	3.9	0.05542	3.6	0.4	426.1	6.3	426.6	13.6			
CAM-12-01	A222	lower A3	brown	50.9	13.7	4.18	0.06936	1.5	0.5174	3.1	0.05411	2.8	0.5	432.3	6.2	423.4	10.9	375.5	62.1	115.1
CAM-12-01	A223	lower A3	brown	62.4	12.2	2.66	0.06921	1.4	0.5233	2.8	0.05483	2.4	0.5	431.4	5.7	427.3	9.6	405.4	53.7	106.4
CAM-12-01	A224	lower A3	brown	46.2	14.7	5.24	0.06978	1.4	0.5355	3.2	0.05565	2.8	0.4	434.8	5.9	435.4	11.2			
CAM-12-01	A225	lower A3	brown	40.2	15.9	6.77	0.06926	1.6	0.5287	3.2	0.05537	2.7	0.5	431.7	6.6	431.0	11.2	427.0	61.1	101.1
CAM-12-01	A226	lower A3	green	106.9	5.3	0.07	0.008165	8.5	0.05489	9.6	0.04875	4.3	0.9	52.4	4.4	54.3	5.1	136.1	101.8	38.5
CAM-11-13	A75	lower A3	brown	40.7	16.2	20.91	0.06551	1.8	0.4892	5.9	0.05417	5.6	0.3	409.0	7.2	404.4	19.9	378.0	126.4	108.2
CAM-11-13	A76	lower A3	brown	33.2	11.9	17.81	0.0673	1.9	0.5145	6.2	0.05545	5.9	0.3	419.9	7.7	421.5	21.7	430.4	132.4	97.5
CAM-11-13	A77	lower A3	brown	45.0	14.6	16.03	0.06341	1.9	0.4841	5.7	0.05537	5.3	0.3	396.3	7.1	400.9	18.9	427.1	119.1	92.8
CAM-11-13	A78	lower A3	brown	37.2	12.0	14.47	0.06176	2.0	0.4704	6.4	0.05523	6.1	0.3	386.3	7.4	391.4	21.1	421.6	136.3	91.6
CAM-11-13	A79	lower A3	brown	28.4	7.3	8.83	0.06303	2.1	0.4807	6.5	0.05531	6.2	0.3	394.0	7.9	398.5	21.8	424.7	138.5	92.8
CAM-11-13	A80	lower A3	brown	42.4	15.5	16.65	0.06529	1.9	0.4932	6.5	0.05478	6.2	0.3	407.7	7.5	407.1	21.9	403.3	138.2	101.1
CAM-11-13	A81	lower A3	brown	29.2	10.5	15.85	0.06282	2.2	0.4704	6.4	0.05431	6.1	0.3	392.7	8.3	391.5	21.2	384.1	136.3	102.3
CAM-11-13	A82	lower A3	brown	36.1	11.0	13.21	0.06231	1.8	0.4667	5.8	0.05432	5.6	0.3	389.7	6.7	388.9	19.1	384.3	125.0	101.4
CAM-11-13	A83	lower A3	brown	47.1	13.2	12.40	0.05801	2.2	0.4164	7.1	0.05206	6.8	0.3	363.5	7.6	353.5	21.4	288.3	154.5	126.1
CAM-11-13	A84	lower A3	brown	44.4	13.7	13.99	0.05738	2.1	0.4194	5.3	0.05301	4.9	0.4	359.7	7.5	355.6	16.1	329.3	110.6	109.2
CAM-11-13	A85	lower A3	brown	34.5	11.0	14.37	0.05922	2.2	0.4291	6.2	0.05255	5.8	0.3	370.9	7.9	362.5	19.2	309.4	133.0	119.9
CAM-11-13	A86	lower A3	brown	39.4	12.3	14.26	0.05715	3.1	0.4143	7.3	0.05258	6.6	0.4	358.3	10.9	352.0	22.0	310.7	150.9	115.3
CAM-11-13	A87	lower A3	brown	37.8	13.2	15.15	0.06914	1.6	1.458	2.4	0.1529	1.7	0.7	431.0	6.8	913.1	14.5	2378.7	29.7	18.1
CAM-11-13	DL-41	lower A3	brown	38.0	2.0	13.663	0.08008	1	1.62013	2.1	0.14674	1.8	0.5	496.6	9.6	355.6	15.0	2308.3	32.3	78.5
CAM-11-13	DL-41	lower A3	brown	40.0	3.0	13.625	0.07916	1.1	1.54361	2.2	0.14143	1.9	0.5	491.1	10.9	947.9	27.7	2244.8	33.6	78.1
CAM-11-13	DL-41	lower A3	brown	34.0	2.0	13.242	0.0816	1.1	1.72476	2.2	0.1533	1.9	0.5	505.7	10.2	1017.8	28.6	2383.1	33.7	78.8
CAM-11-13	DL-41	lower A3	brown	40.0	2.0	12.404	0.0793	0.9	1.54086	2.3	0.14092	2.1	0.4	492.0	8.9	946.8	29.0	2238.6	37.5	78.0
CAM-11-13	DL-41	lower A3	brown	31.0	2.0	12.597	0.08335	1.2	1.97758	2.3	0.17208	2.0	0.5	516.1	11.5	1107.9	31.5	2578.1	34.3	80.0
CAM-11-13	DL-41	lower A3	brown	39.0	3.0	13.784	0.08025	1.1	1.60121	2.2	0.14472	1.9	0.5	497.6	10.7	970.7	27.7	2284.5	33.3	78.2
CAM-11-05	A265	A2	brown	25.6	8.1	16.50	0.06277	2.3	0.6642	16.2	0.0767	16.0	0.1	392.5	8.9	517.2	67.7	1114.5	319.2	35.2
CAM-11-05	A266	A2	brown	37.1	7.1	7.97	0.06787	2.1	0.5051	11.7	0.054	11.5	0.2	423.3	8.6	415.1	40.6	369.8	259.0	114.5
CAM-11-05	A267	A2	brown	57.3	6.1	2.69	0.06458	2.1	0.5023	7.0	0.0564	6.7	0.3	403.4	8.2	413.3	24.2	468.7	148.8	86.1
CAM-11-05	A268	A2	brown	19.2	6.8	18.68	0.0667	2.7	0.5292	7.7	0.0575	7.2	0.3	416.2	10.7	431.3	27.3	512.5	157.8	81.2
CAM-11-05	A269	A2	brown	28.0	7.5	14.56	0.0612	2.5	0.4894	26.0	0.058	25.9	0.1	382.9	9.2	404.5	90.6	529.8	566.5	72.3
CAM-11-05	A270	A2	brown	42.0	9.8	10.98	0.06632	2.2	0.5053	5.5	0.0553	5.0	0.4	414.0	8.7	415.3	18.8	422.5	112.2	98.0
CAM-11-05	A271	A2	brown	22.2	7.4	17.16	0.0673	2.4	0.5248	7.1	0.0566	6.7	0.3	419.9	9.6	428.4	25.2	474.5	148.3	88.5
CAM-11-05	A272	A2	brown	27.6	7.0	12.39	0.06701	2.2	0.5130	6.5	0.0555	6.1	0.3	418.1	9.0	420.4	22.7	433.3	136.5	96.5
CAM-11-05	A51	A2	green	39.0	8.1	7.82	0.06069	2.0	0.4572											

Sample	Spot	Sub-Unit	Color	U ^b (ppm)	Pb ^b (ppm)	Th ^b U	aparent ages										conc. (%)			
							²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U		²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²³⁵ U		rho ^e	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U		²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²³⁵ U						
							±2σ	(%)	±2σ	(%)		±2σ	(%)	±2σ	(%)					
CAM-11-07	A290	A2	brown	67.5	9.7	4.70	0.06168	1.8	0.4601	4.5	0.0541	4.1	0.4	385.8	6.8	384.3	14.4	375.3	91.9	102.8
CAM-11-07	A291	A2	brown	71.3	10.5	4.62	0.06398	1.7	0.4861	4.4	0.0551	4.0	0.4	399.8	6.5	402.2	14.6	416.4	90.1	96.0
CAM-11-07	A292	A2	brown	59.9	8.1	3.47	0.06785	1.8	0.5208	5.3	0.05567	5.0	0.3	423.2	7.5	425.7	18.7	439.2	111.3	96.3
CAM-11-07	A293	A2	brown	231.5	18.0	0.99	0.06238	1.7	0.471	3.9	0.05476	3.5	0.4	390.1	6.4	391.9	12.6	402.6	77.6	96.9
CAM-11-07	A294	A2	brown	63.4	8.6	4.00	0.06484	1.7	0.4918	4.3	0.05501	3.9	0.4	405.0	6.7	406.1	14.4	412.6	87.9	98.1
CAM-11-07	A295	A2	brown	121.7	12.5	2.25	0.06549	1.6	0.5043	3.2	0.05586	2.7	0.5	408.9	6.5	414.6	10.8	446.7	60.0	91.5
CAM-11-07	A296	A2	brown	77.1	12.7	5.44	0.06519	1.7	0.4984	4.4	0.05545	4.0	0.4	407.1	6.5	410.6	14.9	430.3	90.2	94.6
CAM-11-07	A297	A2	brown	340.3	23.6	0.59	0.06215	1.6	0.4674	2.5	0.05454	1.8	0.7	388.7	6.2	389.4	8.0	393.5	41.1	98.8
CAM-11-07	A298	A2	brown	60.5	8.7	4.36	0.06729	1.7	0.5074	4.7	0.05469	4.4	0.4	419.8	6.9	416.7	16.3	399.6	98.6	105.1
CAM-11-07	A299	A2	brown	19.4	2.0	1.13	0.06869	2.2	0.5211	6.4	0.05502	6.1	0.3	428.2	9.1	425.9	22.6	413.1	135.3	103.7
CAM-12-04	A205	A1	brown	29.9	10.7	6.30	0.07036	1.7	0.5296	3.8	0.05459	3.4	0.4	438.3	7.1	431.5	13.4			
CAM-12-04	A206	A1	brown	56.4	16.2	4.76	0.06976	1.4	0.5341	3.0	0.05552	2.7	0.5	434.7	5.8	434.5	10.8			
CAM-12-04	A207	A1	brown	50.0	14.1	4.59	0.07072	1.5	0.5366	3.1	0.05503	2.7	0.5	440.5	6.3	436.2	11.0			
CAM-12-04	A208	A1	brown	34.6	11.8	5.65	0.06998	1.5	0.5249	3.7	0.05439	3.4	0.4	436.1	6.3	428.4	13.0			
CAM-12-04	A209	A1	brown	36.7	12.7	5.67	0.06937	1.6	0.528	3.8	0.0552	3.5	0.4	432.3	6.6	430.5	13.6			
CAM-12-04	A211	A1	brown	35.0	11.5	5.42	0.06945	1.5	0.5184	3.4	0.05414	3.1	0.4	432.9	6.1	424.1	12.0			
CAM-12-04	A212	A1	brown	37.2	12.9	5.86	0.06873	1.5	0.5283	3.4	0.05575	3.1	0.4	428.5	6.3	430.6	12.1			
CAM-12-04	A214	A1	brown	26.3	8.4	5.08	0.07066	1.6	0.5274	3.9	0.05414	3.5	0.4	440.1	7.0	430.1	13.7			
CAM-12-04	A215	A1	brown	35.3	13.1	6.51	0.06896	1.6	0.5293	3.5	0.05566	3.1	0.5	429.9	6.6	431.3	12.3			
CAM-12-04	A216	A1	brown	32.9	12.0	6.32	0.06928	1.4	0.5233	3.3	0.05478	3.0	0.4	431.8	6.0	427.3	11.7			
CAM-12-04	A217	A1	brown	33.3	12.9	6.80	0.06953	1.5	0.5243	3.4	0.05469	3.0	0.5	433.3	6.5	428.0	12.0	399.4	68.3	108.5
CAM-12-06	A190	A1	brown	67.6	9.1	4.38	0.06169	1.5	0.4707	4.1	0.05534	3.8	0.4	385.9	5.7	391.7	13.3	425.9	84.5	90.6
CAM-12-06	A191	A1	brown	53.1	9.5	6.47	0.064	1.6	0.4857	4.7	0.05504	4.4	0.3	399.9	6.3	402.0	15.7	414.0	98.5	96.6
CAM-12-06	A192	A1	brown	59.0	12.5	8.31	0.0636	1.9	0.4729	6.7	0.05393	6.4	0.3	397.5	7.2	393.2	21.9	368.2	144.0	108.0
CAM-12-06	A193	A1	brown	50.9	10.8	8.63	0.06284	1.6	0.4848	5.1	0.05595	4.9	0.3	392.9	6.2	401.4	17.1	450.6	108.0	87.2
CAM-12-06	A199	A1	brown	57.4	10.6	6.68	0.06489	1.5	0.4981	4.9	0.05568	4.6	0.3	405.3	6.1	410.4	16.7	439.6	103.3	92.2
CAM-12-06	A200	A1	brown	56.1	10.9	7.52	0.06242	1.8	0.4701	5.1	0.05462	4.8	0.3	390.4	6.7	391.3	16.8	396.7	107.6	98.4
CAM-12-06	A201	A1	brown	60.9	8.0	3.16	0.06681	1.8	0.5113	5.1	0.05551	4.7	0.4	416.9	7.2	419.3	17.6	432.8	105.5	96.3
CAM-12-06	A202	A1	brown	66.9	13.0	7.87	0.06813	1.6	0.5164	4.7	0.05497	4.4	0.3	424.9	6.4	422.7	16.4	411.1	99.1	103.3
CAM-12-06	A203	A1	brown	43.6	10.9	11.02	0.06868	1.6	0.5168	5.6	0.05458	5.4	0.3	428.2	6.8	423.0	19.6	394.9	120.6	108.4
CAM-12-06	A204	A1	brown	58.8	9.0	5.16	0.06849	1.5	0.5202	4.6	0.05508	4.3	0.3	427.1	6.3	425.3	16.1	415.5	96.7	102.8
CAM-12-06	A205	A1	brown	56.1	16.2	13.84	0.0671	1.6	0.5114	5.3	0.05527	5.1	0.3	418.7	6.5	419.4	18.5	423.4	113.6	98.9
CAM-12-06	A206	A1	brown	49.9	11.3	9.60	0.06957	1.7	0.5296	5.1	0.05522	4.8	0.3	433.6	7.2	431.6	18.1	420.9	107.5	103.0

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Appendix 5. Curriculum vitae

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