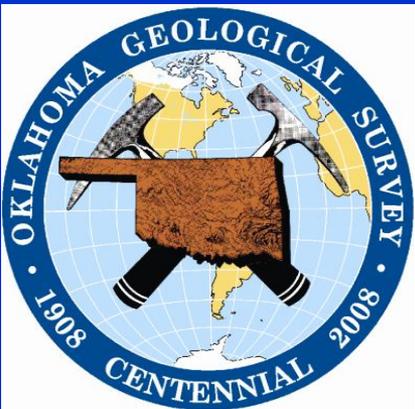


# **Woodford Shale: From Hydrocarbon Source Rock to Reservoir**

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# Outline of Presentation

## Woodford Shale:

- Terminology and distribution
- As a hydrocarbon source rock
- As a reservoir
- Hydrocarbon production

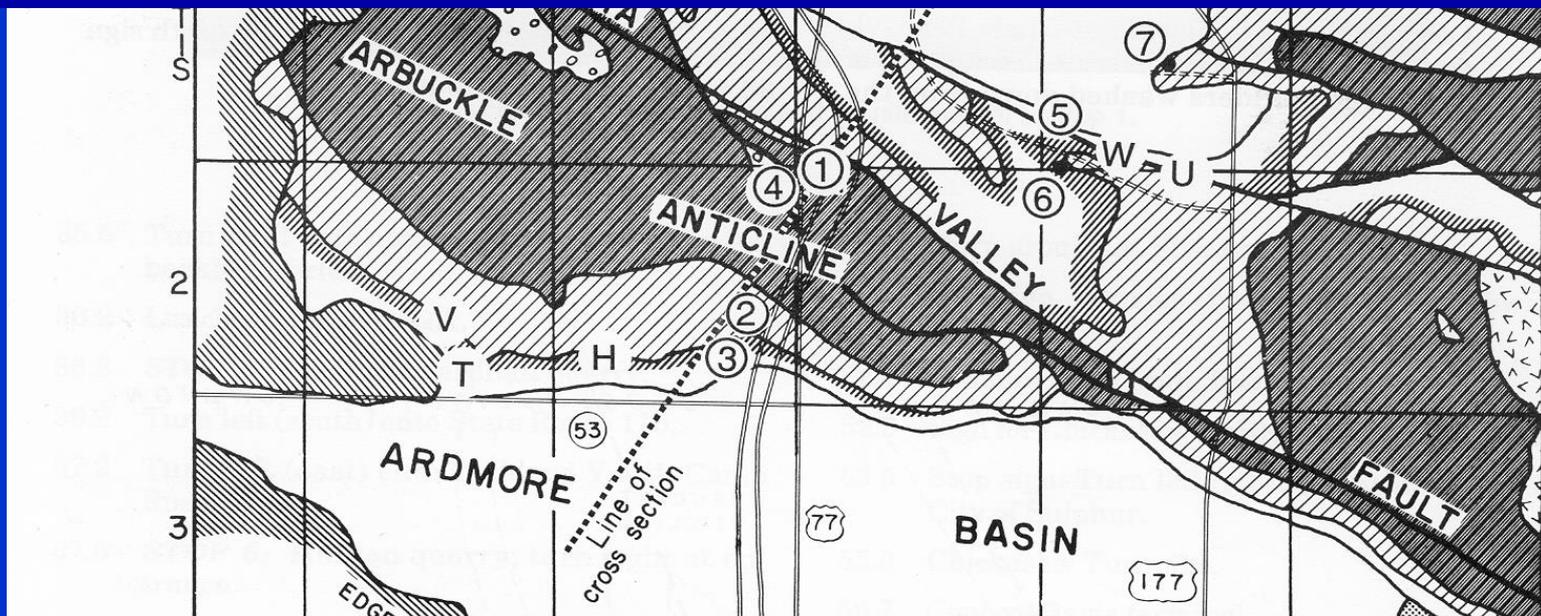
**Taff (1902) introduced the name Woodford Chert for outcrops north of the town of Woodford on the south side of the Arbuckle Mountains.**



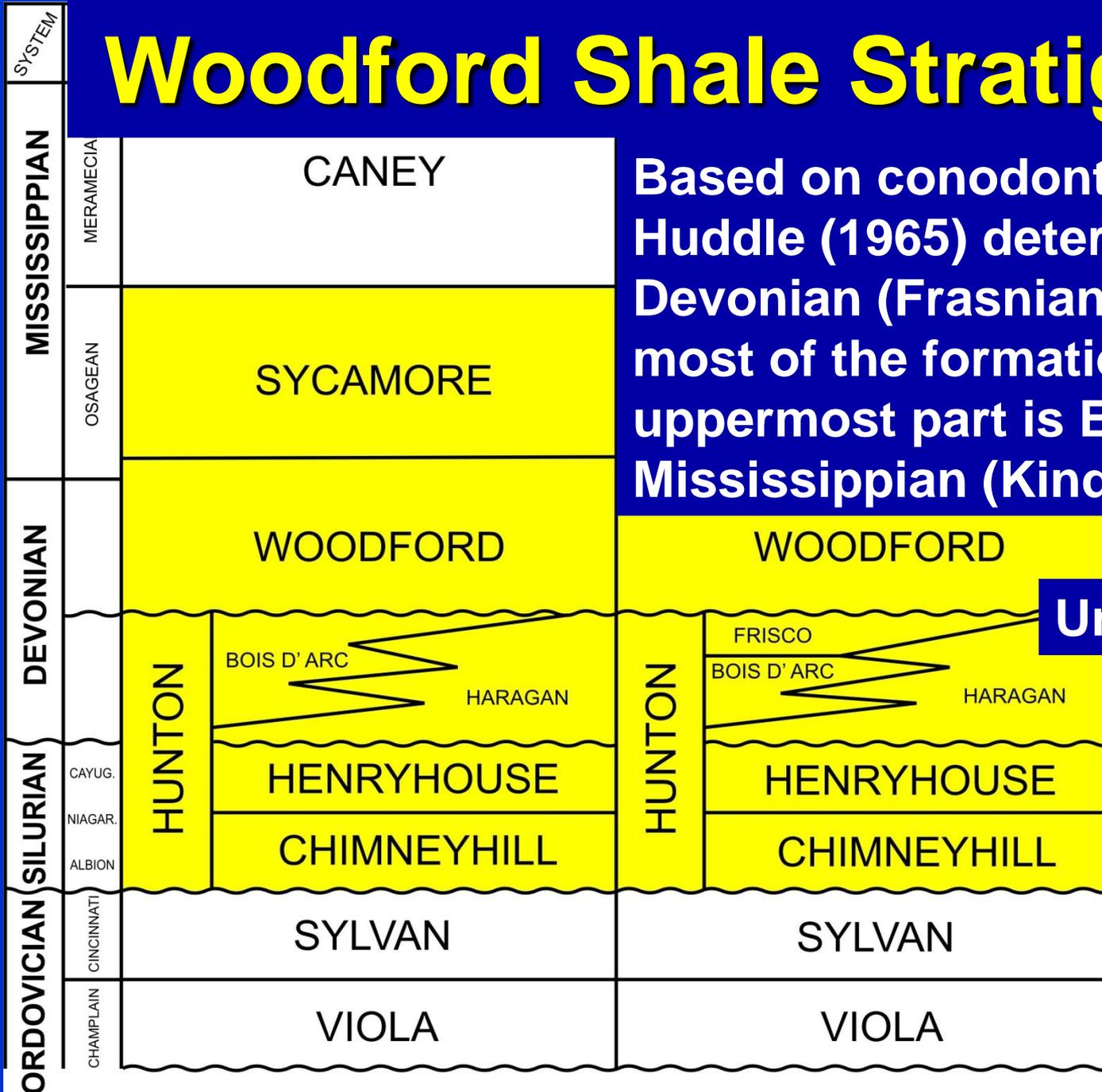
**WOODFORD CHERT:** Taff (1902), Gould (1925),  
Wilmarth (1938), Dott (1952)

**WOODFORD FORMATION:** Morgan (1924),  
Amsden (1957-1963), Wilson (1958), O'Brien and  
Slatt (1990)

**WOODFORD SHALE:** Tarr (1955), Jordan (1957,  
1959, 1962), Urban (1960), Hass & Huddle (1965),  
Amsden (1975, 1980)[preferred name in lexicons]



# Woodford Shale Stratigraphy



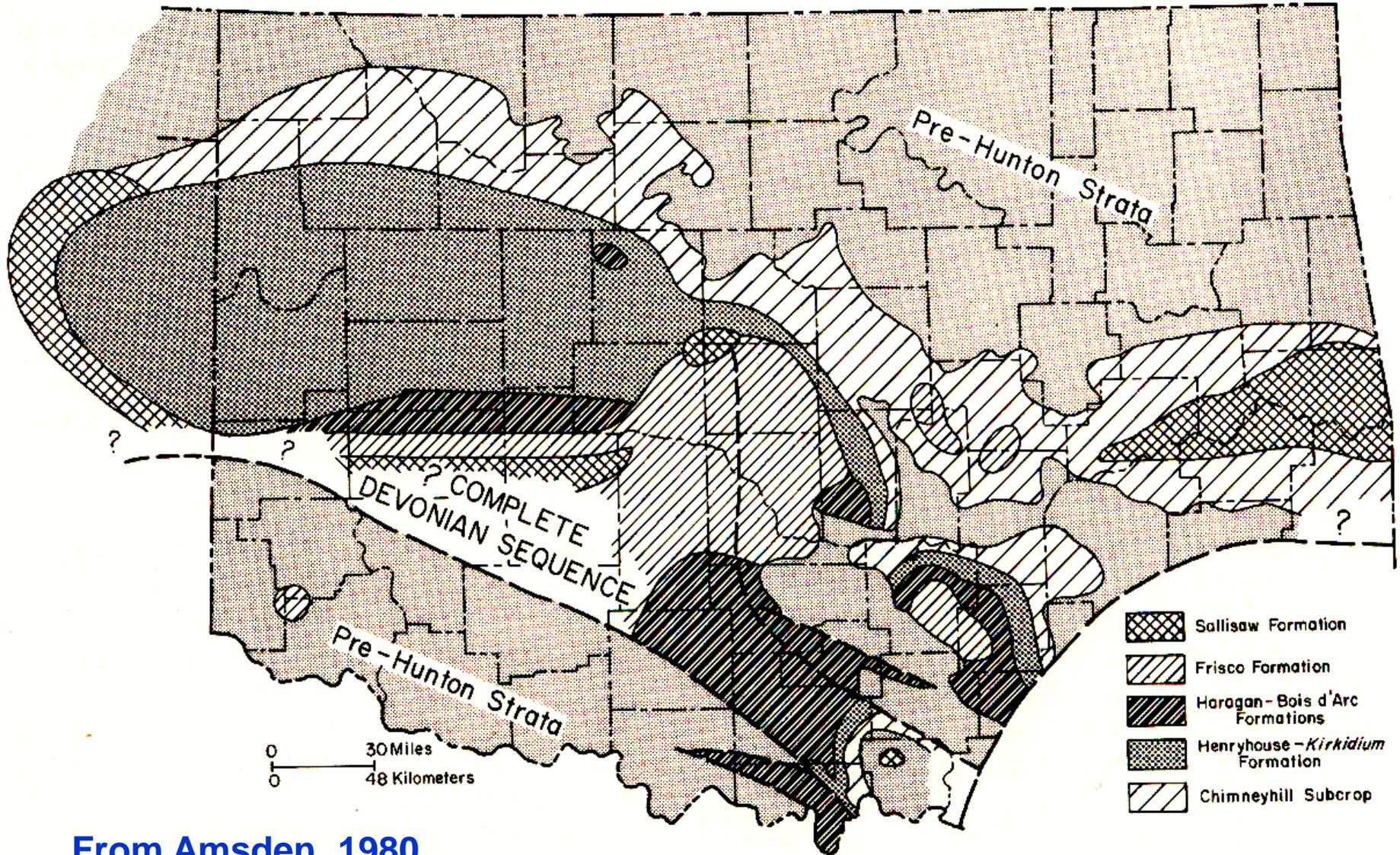
Based on conodonts, Hass and Huddle (1965) determined a Late Devonian (Frasnian) age for most of the formation; uppermost part is Early Mississippian (Kinderhookian)

**Unconformity**

SYSTEM/SERIES		ANADARKO BASIN, SW OKLAHOMA		ARBUCKLE MOUNTAINS, ARDMORE BASIN		ARKOMA BASIN, NE OKLAHOMA		OUACHITA MOUNTAINS			
MISSISSIPPIAN	Chesterian	? Chester Group		? Goddard Formation ? Delaware Creek Shale ?		Pitkin Limestone Fayetteville Shale Hindsville Formation		Stanley Group			
	Meramecian	Miss. Lime	"Meramec Lime"		Sycamore Limestone		Moorefield Formation				
	Osagean		"Osage Lime"				Boone Group St. Joe Group				
	Kinderhookian										
DEVONIAN	Upper	Woodford Shale Misener Sandstone		Woodford Shale		Chattanooga Shale Sylamore Sandstone					
	Middle							Arkansas Novaculite			
	Lower	Haragan Fm. Henryhouse Fm.		Frisco Formation Haragan-Bois d'Arc Formation Henryhouse Formation		Sallisaw Fm. Frisco Fm.		Pinetop Chert			
SILURIAN	Upper	Hurton Group	Chimney Hill Subgroup		Clarita Formation Cochrane Formation Keel Formation		Quarry Mtn. Fm. Tenkiller Fm. Blackgum Fm.		Missouri Mountain Shale		
	Lower								Blaylock Sandstone		
ORDOVICIAN	Upper	Sylvan Shale		Sylvan Shale		Sylvan Shale		Polk Creek Shale			
		Viola Group		Viola Group		Viola Group		Bigfork Chert			
	Middle	Simpson Group		Simpson Group		Bromide Formation Tulip Creek Formation McLish Formation Oil Creek Formation Joins Formation		Fite Formation Tyner Formation		Womble Shale	
						West Spring Creek Formation Kindblade Formation Cool Creek Formation McKenzie Hill Formation Butterfly Dolomite		Burgin Sandstone		Blakely Sandstone	
Lower	Arbuckle Group		Arbuckle Group		Arbuckle Group		Mazarn Shale Crystal Mountain Sandstone				

Modified from Johnson and Cardott, 1992

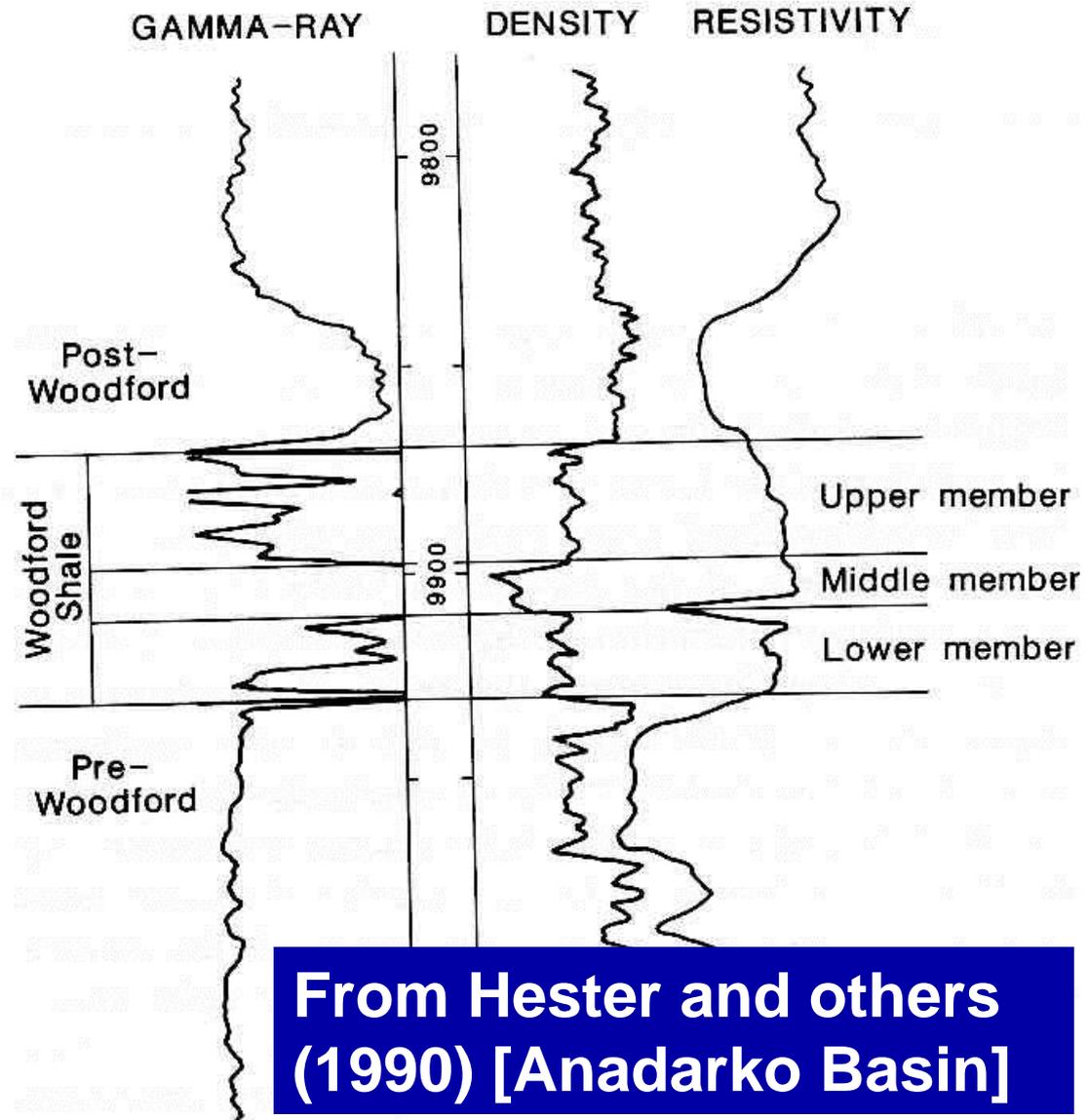
# Pre-Woodford Geologic Map



From Amsden, 1980

# Woodford Shale Members

Three informal members based on **palynomorphs** (Urban, 1960; Von Almen, 1970), **geochemistry** (Sullivan, 1985), **log signatures** (Hester and others, 1990; Lambert, 1993)

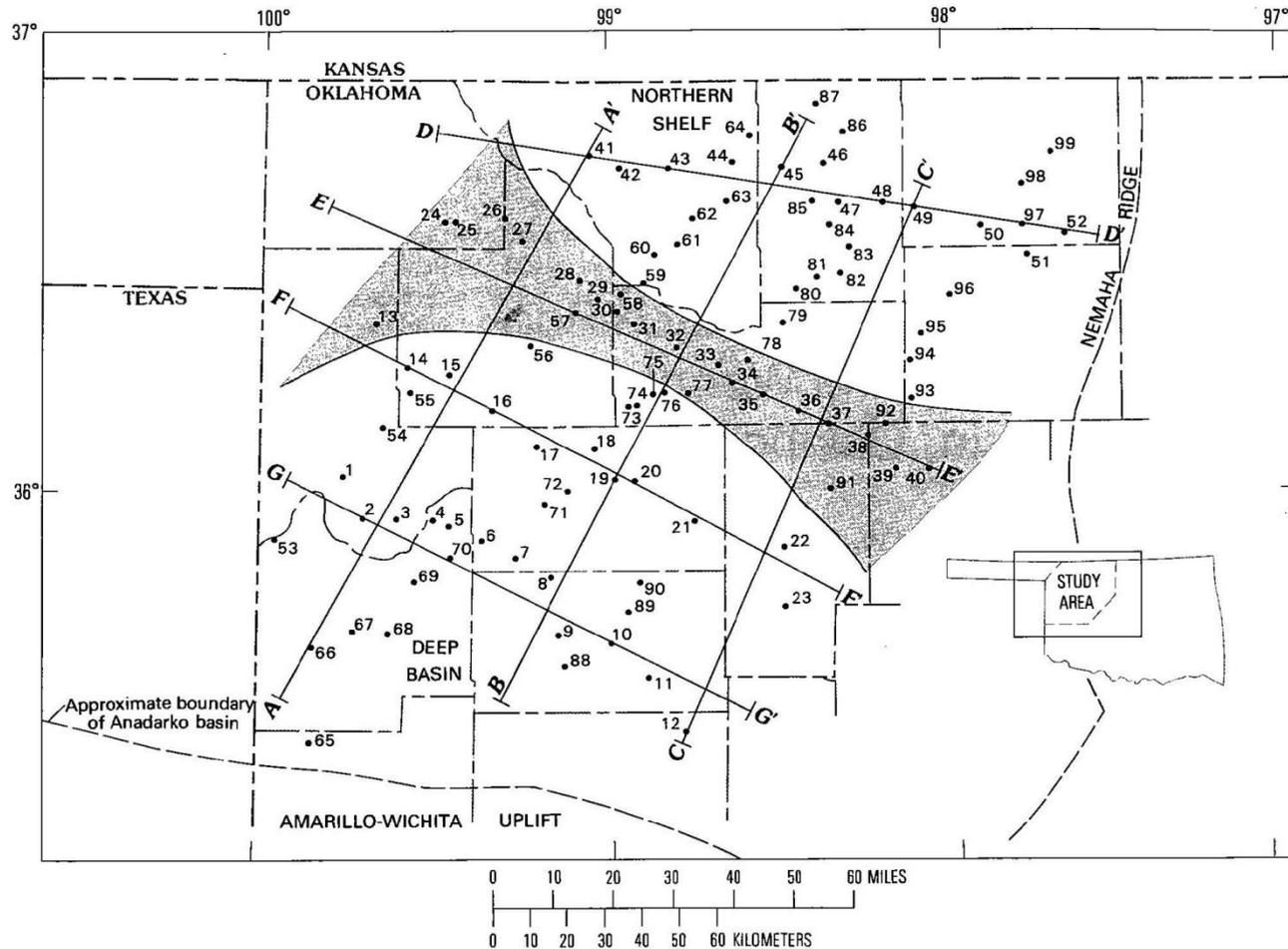


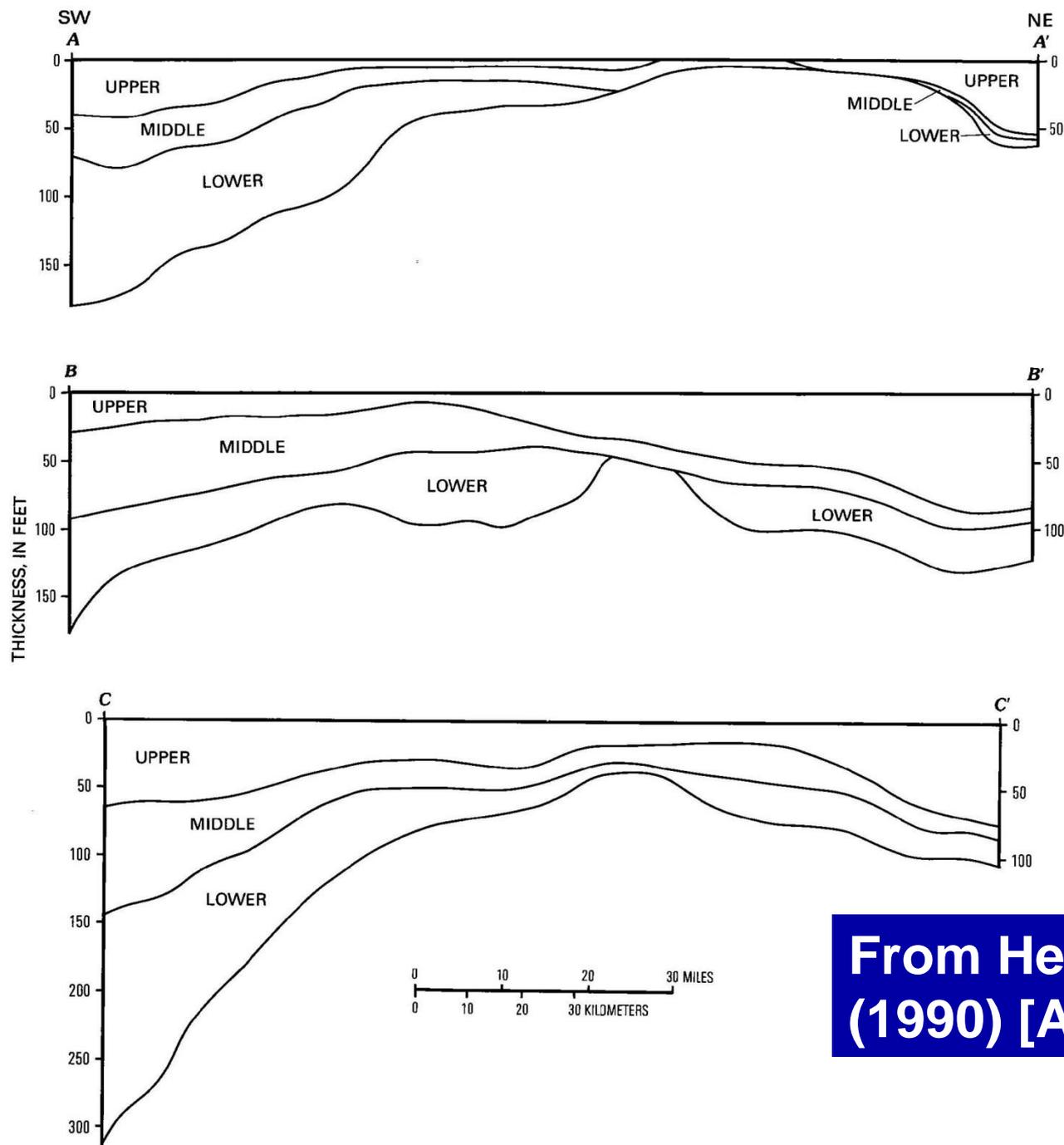
From Hester and others (1990) [Anadarko Basin]

# Log-Derived Regional Source-Rock Characteristics of the Woodford Shale, Anadarko Basin, Oklahoma

By TIMOTHY C. HESTER, JAMES W. SCHMOKER,  
and HOWARD L. SAHL

**USGS Bulletin 1866-D**





**From Hester and others  
(1990) [Anadarko Basin]**

# Lithostratigraphy of the Woodford Shale, Anadarko Basin, West-Central Oklahoma\*

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## Abstract

Since early 2008 over three-hundred horizontal Woodford Shale wells have been completed in the Anadarko basin, west-central Oklahoma, along a northwest-southeast trend approximately 100 miles (161 km) in length and 20 miles (32 km) wide. Shallowest production to date occurs at 10,500 ft (3,200 m), and deepest production occurs at 16,100 ft (4,900 m).

Seven mudrock lithofacies, defined mainly on the basis of percent TOC and variations in mineral content (primarily quartz, clay, and dolomite), make-up the fifteen stratigraphic units that comprise the Lower, Middle, and Upper Woodford in the geographic center of the play where the Woodford is 175 to 330 ft (53 to 100 m) thick. The basal-most units of the Woodford in this area are TOC-poor clayey mudrock (<2% TOC), recording the first transgression of the Woodford seas. The overlying Lower Woodford and the Middle Woodford are composed of 10 to 30 ft (3 to 9 m) intervals dominated by one of three lithologies: clayey mudrock (CM) (38% clay and 41% quartz), clayey siliceous mudrock (CSM) (27% clay and 55% quartz), and less common dolomitic clayey mudrock (DCM) (33% clay, 32% quartz, and 15% dolomite). These mudrock lithologies are organic-rich with TOC values averaging 5 to 6.5%. Clay is predominantly illite, and dolomite is commonly ferroan. Quartz is biogenic and detrital. The Upper Woodford in this area is predominately CSM and siliceous mudrock (SM) (14.5% clay and 75% quartz). CSM and SM units are characterized by density-neutron cross-over and are readily distinguishable on wireline logs. The more silica-rich mudrocks (CSM and SM) are likely dominated by biogenic silica, recording distal deposition in areas less affected by detrital influx.

**Caldwell, 2011**

# Woodford Lithostratigraphy Anadarko Basin Woodford Play Core Area

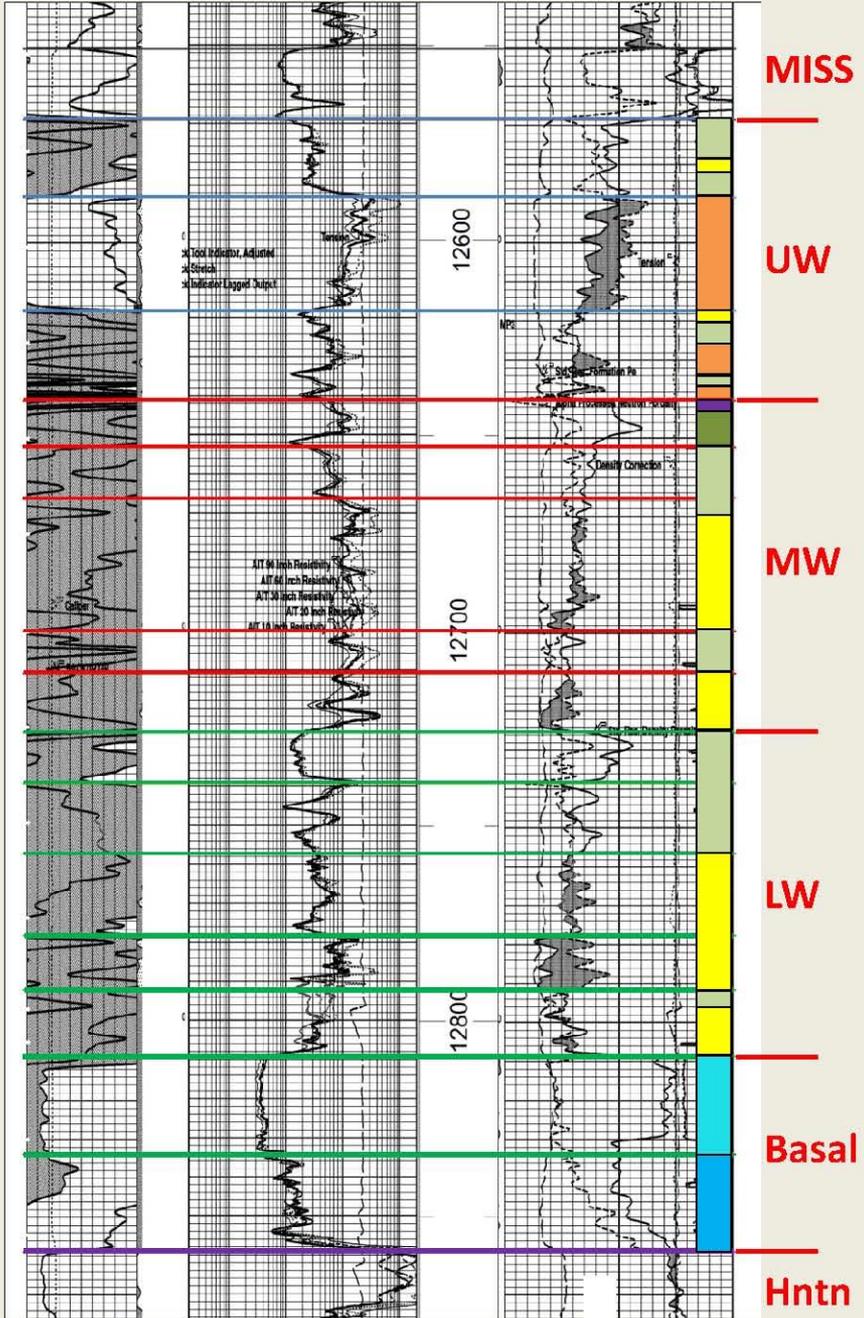
**15  
Stratigraphic  
Units  
Described by  
Caldwell, 2011**

Siliceous  
mudrock

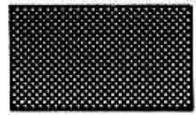
Clayey,  
siliceous  
mudrock

Clayey  
mudrock

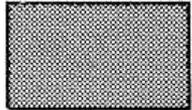
Organic-  
poor  
clayey  
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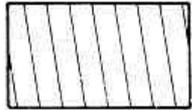
# Paleogeography and Facies Distribution in the Late Devonian



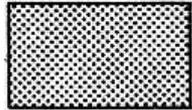
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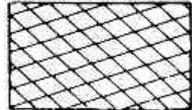
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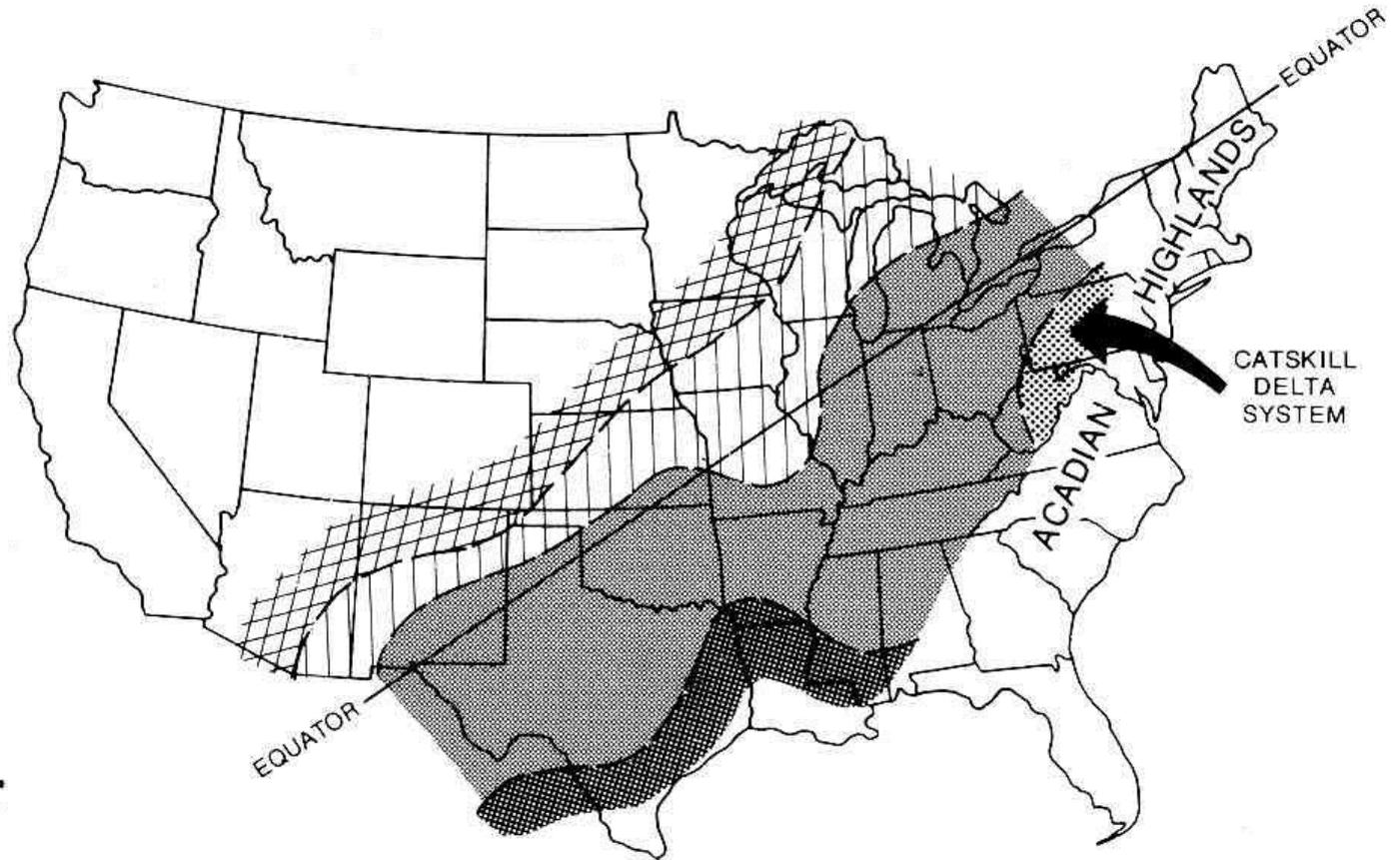
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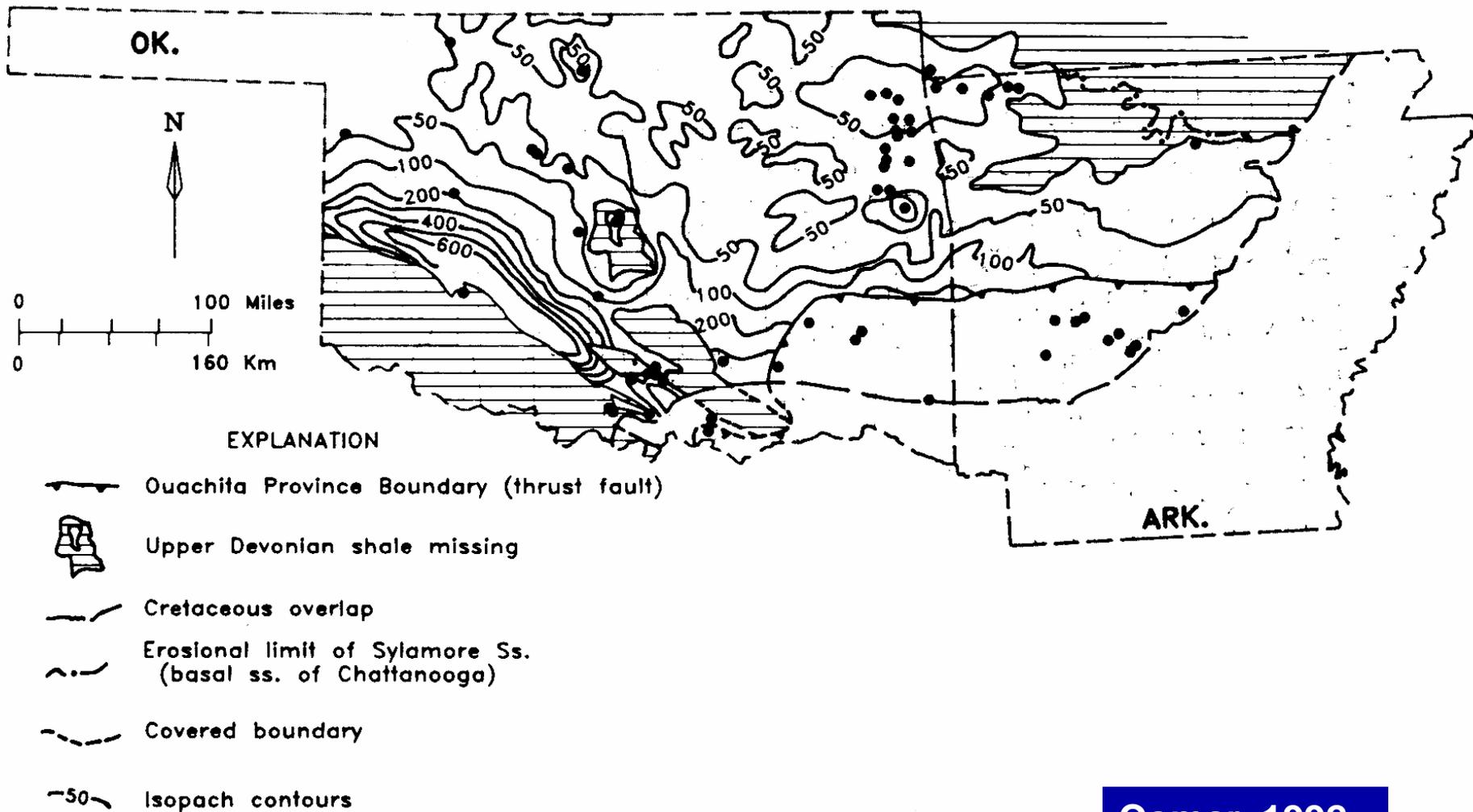


CARBONATE



Kirkland and others, 1992

# Isopach Map of Woodford Shale



Comer, 1992

# Gas Shales

Gas shales are varieties of **hydrocarbon source rocks** (an important part of a petroleum system).

## HYDROCARBON SOURCE ROCK CLASSIFICATION

**Organic matter type** refers to the kerogen or maceral type and can be lumped into gas generative (Type III), oil generative (**Types I and II**), or inert (Type IV).

**Organic matter quantity** is determined by the total organic carbon (TOC) content (weight percent, whole-rock basis).

Vitrinite reflectance (%Ro, oil immersion) is the most common **thermal maturity** indicator. Vitrinite is a maceral derived from the woody tissues of vascular plants. The oil window is considered to be from 0.5–1.35% Ro.

# Woodford Shale as a Hydrocarbon Source Rock

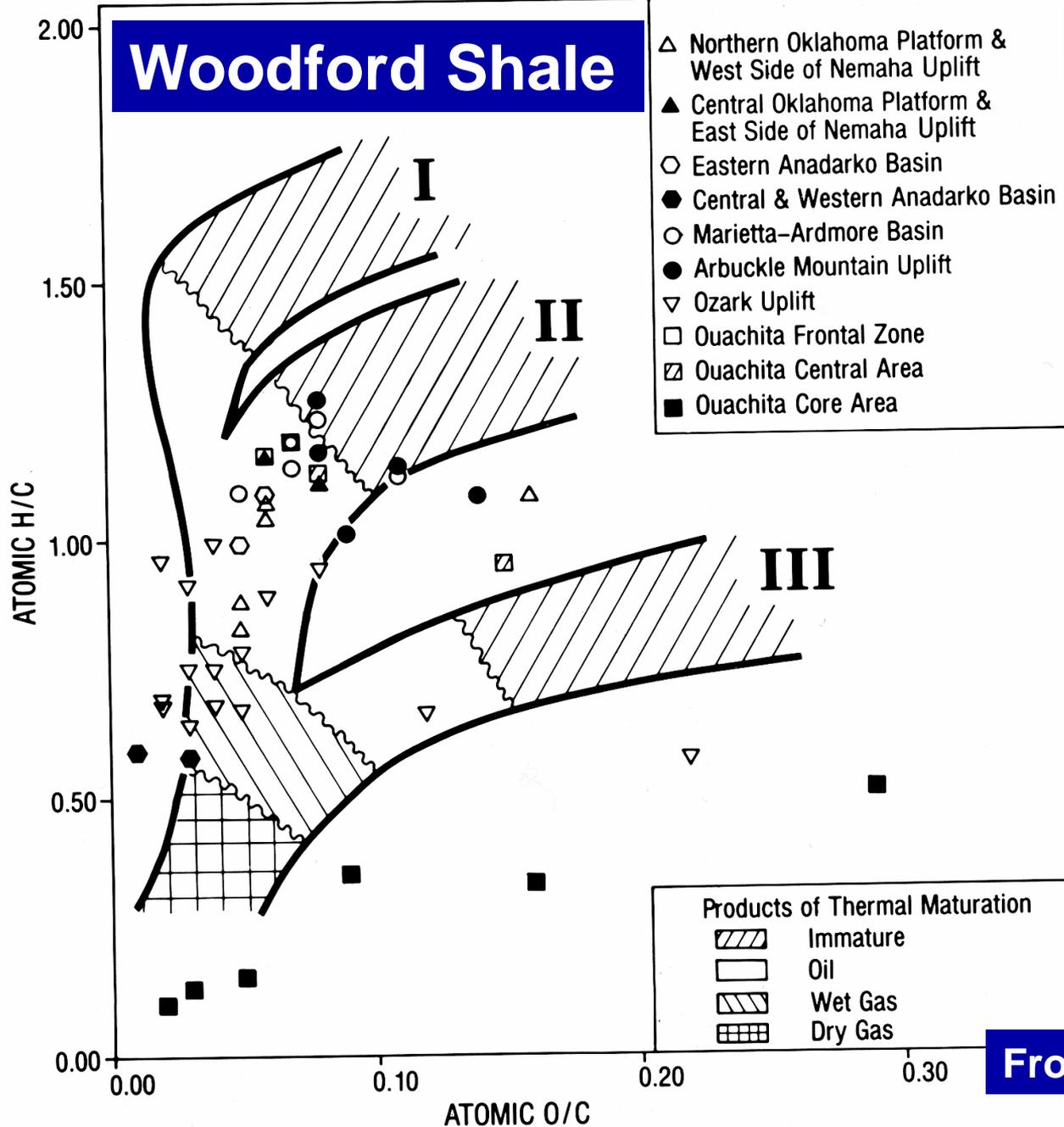
- Type II Kerogen (oil generative organic matter)
- High total organic carbon (TOC)
- Contains vitrinite (vitrinite reflectance analysis) to determine thermal maturity

# Hydrocarbon Source Rocks of Oklahoma

SYSTEM	PRODUCING INTERVAL	HYDROCARBON-SOURCE ROCK	KEROGEN TYPE	TOC %
PERMIAN	PERMIAN (UNDIFFERENTIATED)			
PENNSYLVANIAN	VIRGILIAN	UPPER AND MIDDLE PENNSYLVANIAN	II III	<1-25
	DESMOINESIAN			
	ATOKAN	MORROWAN	III	0.5-3.4
	MORROWAN			
MISSISSIPPIAN	SPRINGER FORMATION	SPRINGER FORMATION	III	1-8
	PRE-CHESTER MISSISSIPPIAN (UNDIFFERENTIATED)	<b>Caney</b>	II	
DEVONIAN	HUNTON GROUP	WOODFORD SHALE	II III	<1-14
SILURIAN				
ORDOVICIAN		SIMPSON GROUP	SYLVAN SIMPSON GROUP	I II II
UPPER CAMBRIAN	ARBUCKLE GROUP			

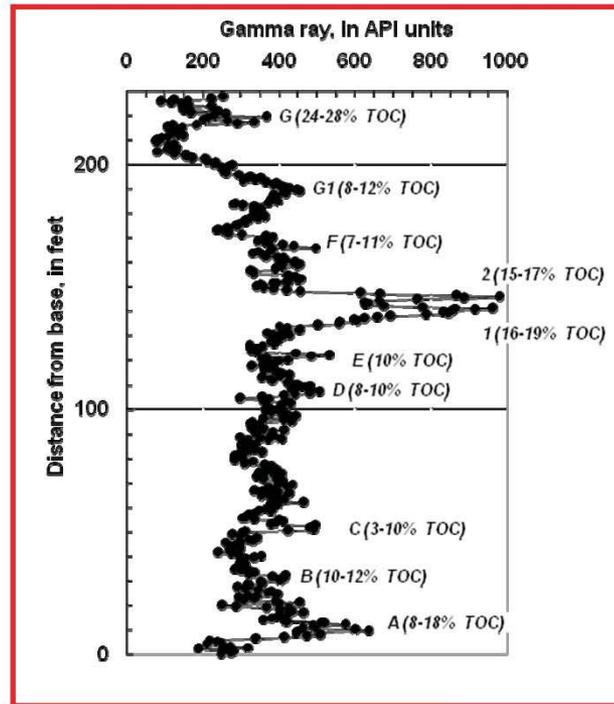
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# Woodford Shale



From Comer, 1992

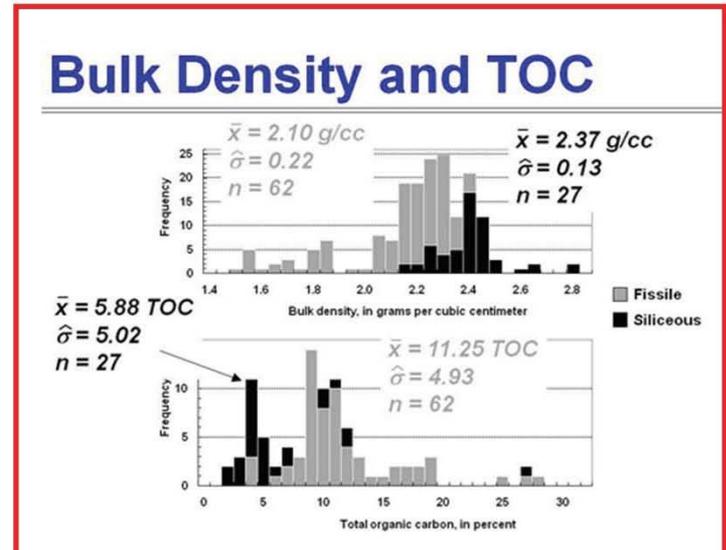
# Gamma ray plotted full scale shows details



Range of total organic carbon (TOC) for the major gamma-ray markers at the Henry House Creek section. The TOC is highest at the base, top, and at major gamma-ray kicks #1 and #2. TOC and gamma-ray response are statistically associated but the relationship is not strong.

# TOC is highest in fissile shale

Frequency distributions of bulk density and total organic carbon for the fissile and siliceous (cherty) beds at Henry House Creek. The fissile shale has lower bulk density and higher total organic carbon relative to the siliceous or cherty beds. The lower total organic carbon in the siliceous beds is probably a consequence of dilution from radiolarian sedimentation.



**Vitrinite is a coal  
maceral (organic)  
derived from the cell  
wall material or woody  
tissues of vascular  
plants (post Silurian)**

**Vitrinite Reflectance (%Ro)** is a measurement of the percentage of light reflected off the vitrinite maceral at high (500X) magnification in oil immersion (average of many values)

# For more information about vitrinite reflectance see AAPG Search and Discovery Article #40928

## Introduction to Vitrinite Reflectance as a Thermal Maturity Indicator\*

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### Abstract

Thermal maturity is one of the most important parameters used in the evaluation of gas-shale and shale-oil plays. Vitrinite reflectance (VRo) is a commonly used thermal maturity indicator. Many operators use the vitrinite-reflectance value without knowing what it is or how it is derived. Conventional wisdom of the Barnett Shale gas play in the Fort Worth Basin indicates the highest gas rates occur at >1.4% VRo. Knowledge of the oil and condensate windows is essential for liquid hydrocarbon production. This presentation answers the questions: what is vitrinite; what is vitrinite reflectance; how is vitrinite reflectance measured; what are some sources of error; and how does one tell good data from bad data?

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**Woodford Shale  
is the oldest  
rock in  
Oklahoma that  
contains wood  
(vitrinite)  
from the  
progymnosperm  
*Archaeopteris*  
(organ genus  
*Callixylon*)**

# Guidelines for the Barnett Shale (Based on Rock-Eval Pyrolysis)

## VRo Values

## Maturity

<0.55%

Immature

0.55-1.15%

Oil Window (peak  
oil at 0.90%VRo)

1.15-1.40%

Condensate–Wet-  
Gas Window

>1.40%

Dry-Gas Window

From Jarvie and others, 2005

# **Woodford Shale as a Reservoir Rock**

- **Biogenic Silica Rich (Brittle)**
- **Porous organic matter network**

# Woodford Mineralogy

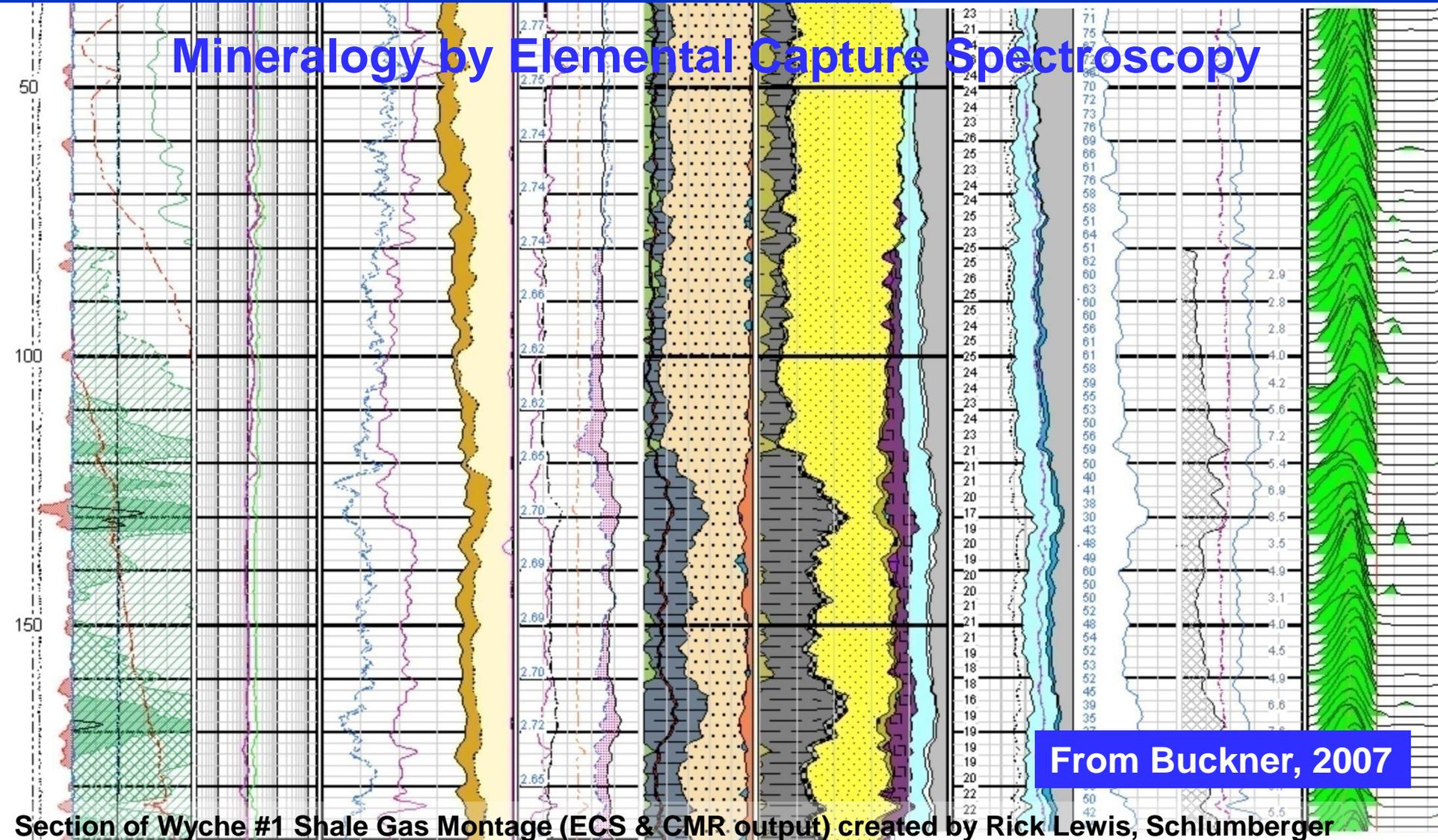
[grab samples]	A	B	C	D	E
Quartz	63-68%	29-87%	30-60%	9-61%	27-53%
K-Feldspar	4%	0-2%	2-10%	2-42%	0-2%
Plagioclase	3%				1-4%
Calcite	10%		5-25%	0-7%	0-11%
Dolomite	6-9%	0-56%	0-5%	0-10%	0-6%
Pyrite	5-7%	0-1%	0-5%	2-30%	1-13%
Total Clays	12-14%				
Illite		8-35%	2-5%	7-53%	13-40%
Illite/Smectite			2-20%		
Kaolinite		1-7%	2-5%	0-2%	0-5%
Chlorite			2-5%	0-40%	0-5%

A. O'Brien & Slatt, 1990; B. Kirkland et al., 1992; C. Greiser, 2006;  
 D. Branch, 2007; E. Abousleiman et al., 2008

# Example of ECS & CMR Log Data, Woodford Shale

- Higher silica content in upper portion of Woodford (above 120 ft)
- Very high porosity (unlike that found under reservoir conditions)

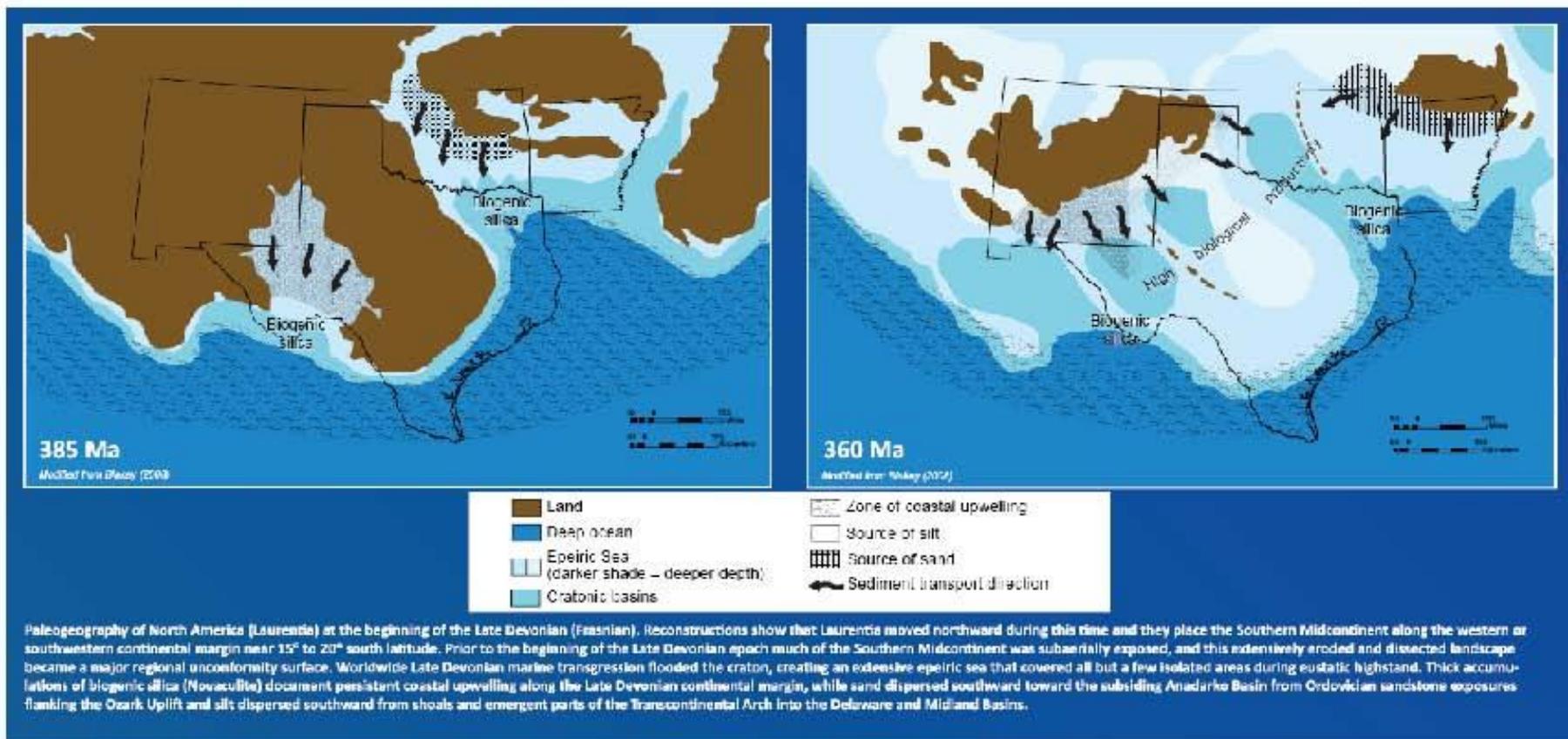
## Mineralogy by Elemental Capture Spectroscopy



Section of Wyche #1 Shale Gas Montage (ECS & CMR output) created by Rick Lewis, Schlumberger



# Extent of Biogenic Silica in the Woodford



Comer, 2008  
AAPG Poster

“The primary mechanism of gas [& oil] production from shales is the **fracture network** in the reservoir. Gas residing in the very tight matrix system is forced to flow into the fracture network, first through chemical **desorption** and then through **diffusion**, to travel to the matrix/fracture interface.” (Biswas, 2011)

**What is the potential for gas storage and diffusion within the organic network in shale?**

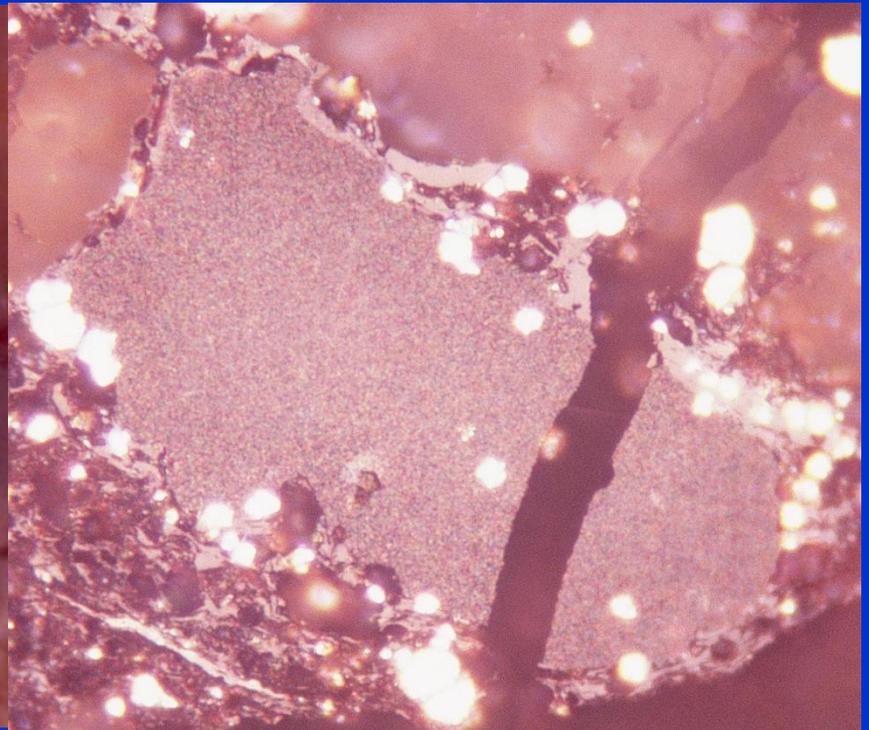
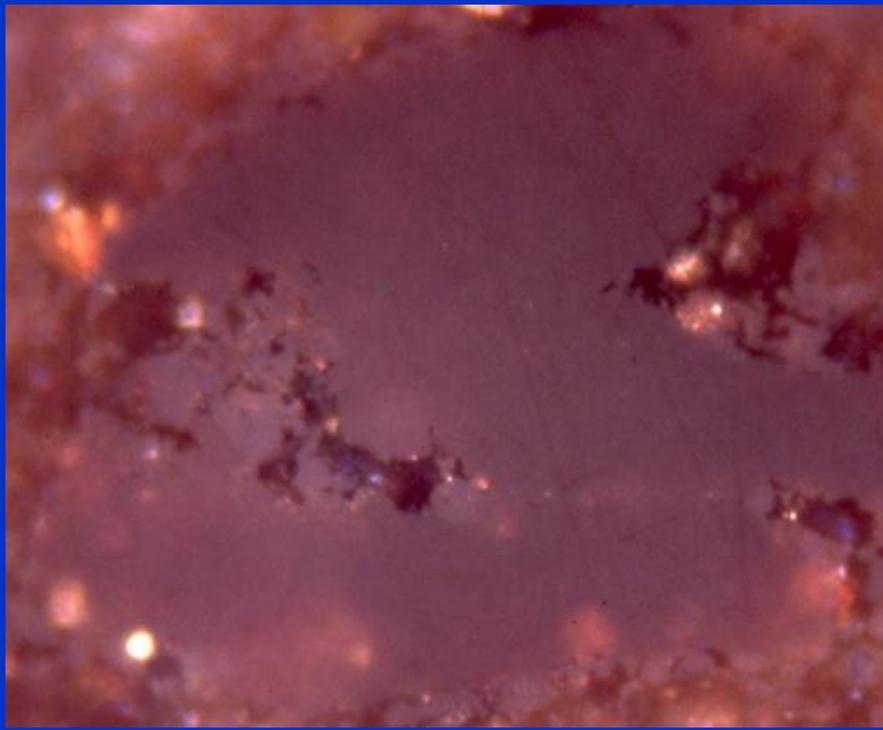
# Genetic Bitumen Classification

- **Pre-Oil Solid Bitumen:** early-generation products of rich source rocks, probably extruded from their sources as a very viscous fluid, and migrated the minimum distance necessary to reach fractures and voids in the rock. [Kerogen → Bitumen → Oil]
- **Post-Oil Solid Bitumen:** products of the alteration of a once-liquid crude oil, generated and migrated from a conventional oil source rock, and subsequently degraded. [solid residue of primary oil migration]

Two Common **Pre-Oil Bitumen** Optical Forms Based on  
Landis and Castaño (1994)  
[regression equation is based on homogenous form]

Homogenous form

Granular form



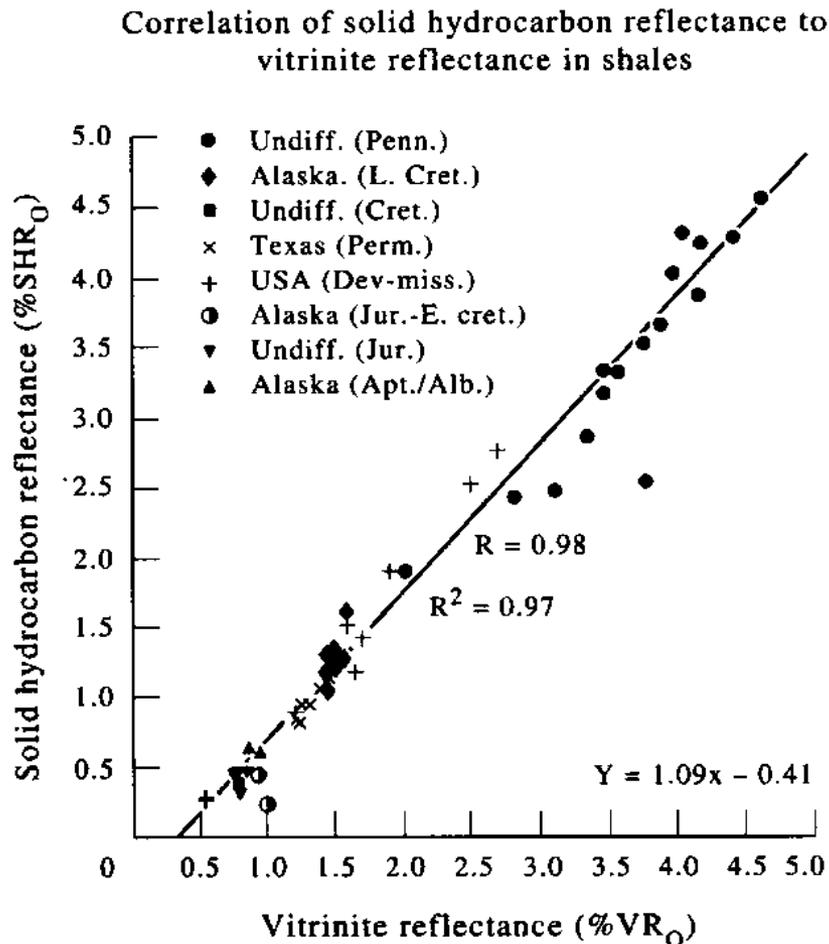
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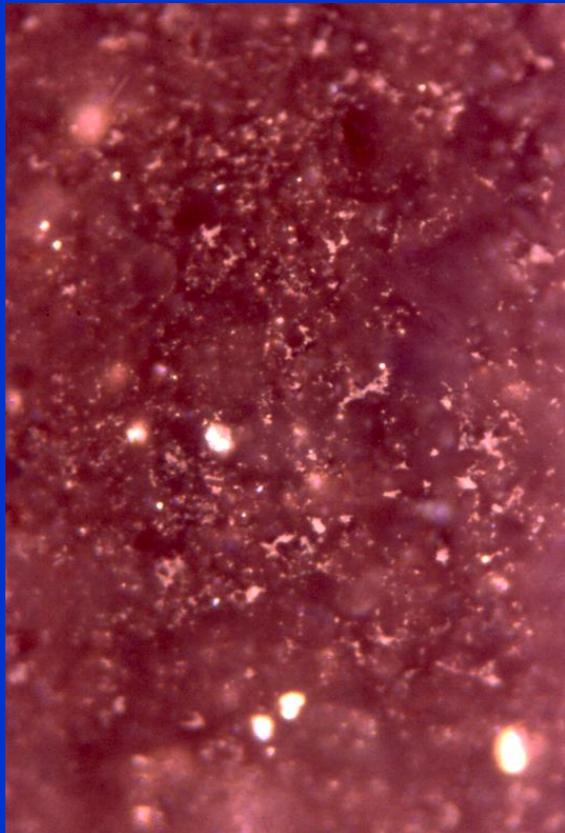
# Use of pre-oil solid bitumen as **thermal maturity indicator** following “solid hydrocarbon” reflectance to vitrinite reflectance equivalent regression equation of Landis and Castaño (1994)



$$VRE = (BRo + 0.41)/1.09$$

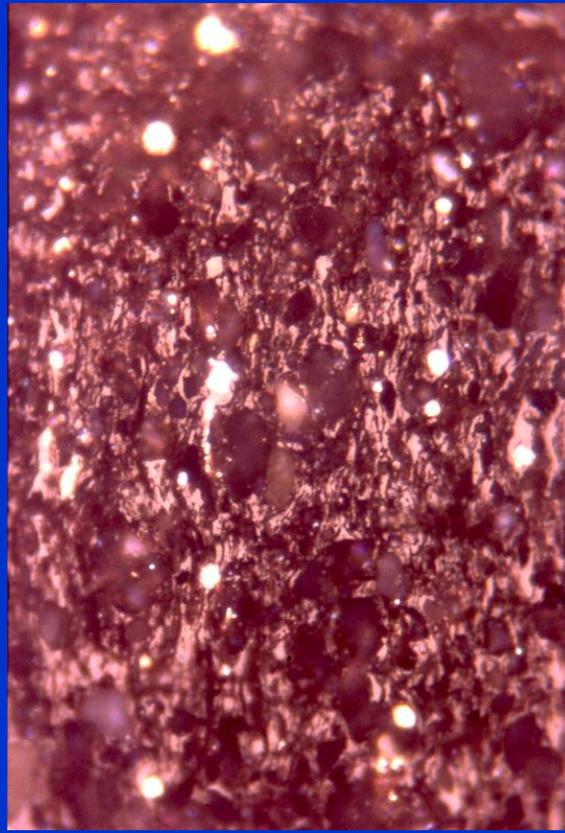
# Post-Oil Bitumen Network Classification (@ 500X) [primary oil migration]

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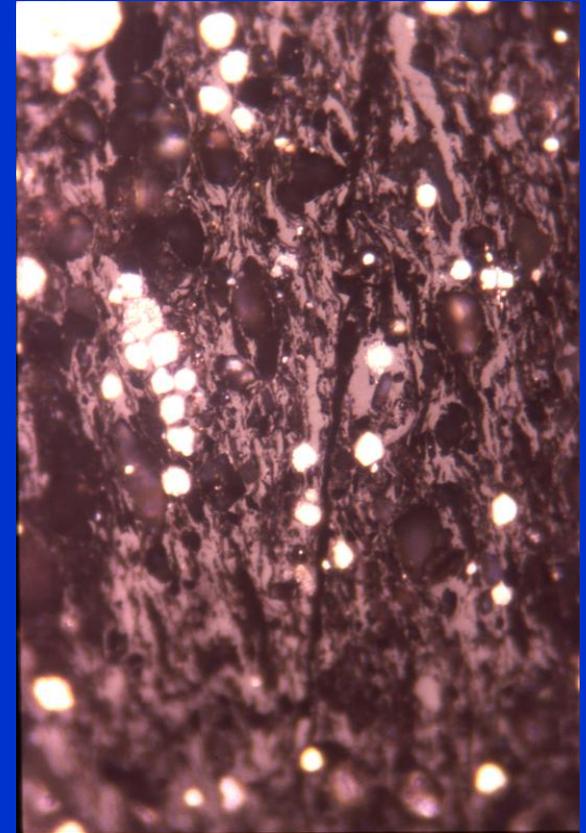
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**Wispy**



OPL 1372

**Connected**



OPL 1366

# Nanopores associated with “organic matter” using ion milling and SEM (from Loucks and others, 2009)

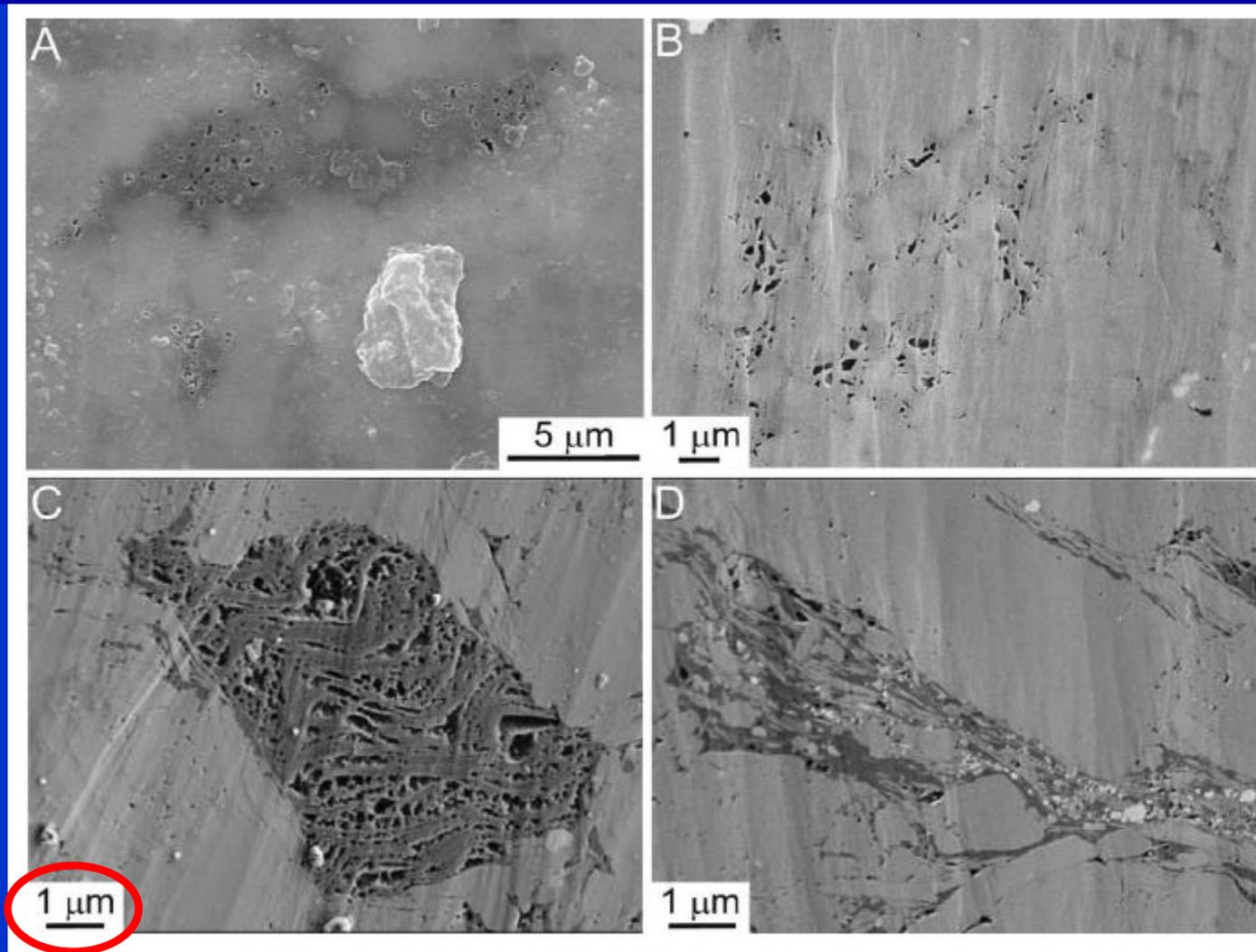


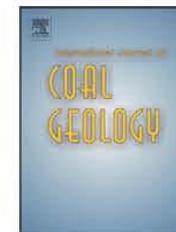
FIG. 5.—Nanopores associated with organic matter in the Barnett Shale. A) Elliptical to complexly rounded nanopores in an organic grain. Darker materials are organics. BSE image. Blakely #1, 2,167.4 m. B) Angular nanopores in a grain of organic matter. SE image. Blakely #1, 2,167.4 m. Accelerating voltage = 10 kV; working distance = 6 mm. C) Rectangular nanopores occurring in aligned convoluted structures. SE image. T.P. Sims #2, ~ 2,324 m. Accelerating voltage = 2 kV; working distance = 3 mm. D) Nanopores associated with disseminated organic matter. Carbon-rich grains are dark gray; nanopores are black. SE image. T.P. Sims #2, ~ 2,324 m. Accelerating voltage = 2 kV; working distance = 2 mm.



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# Development of organic porosity in the Woodford Shale with increasing thermal maturity

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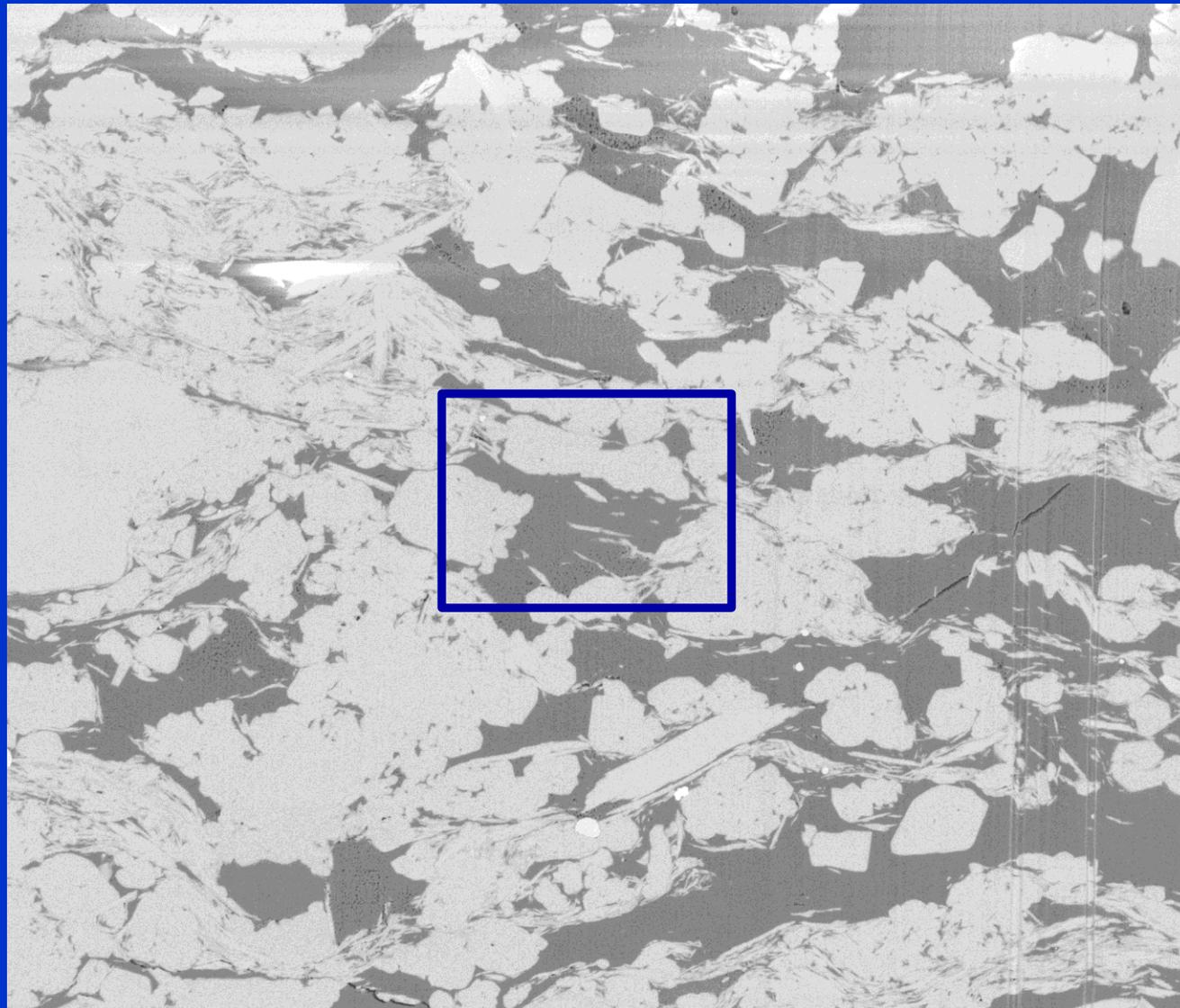
Organic porosity

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### ABSTRACT

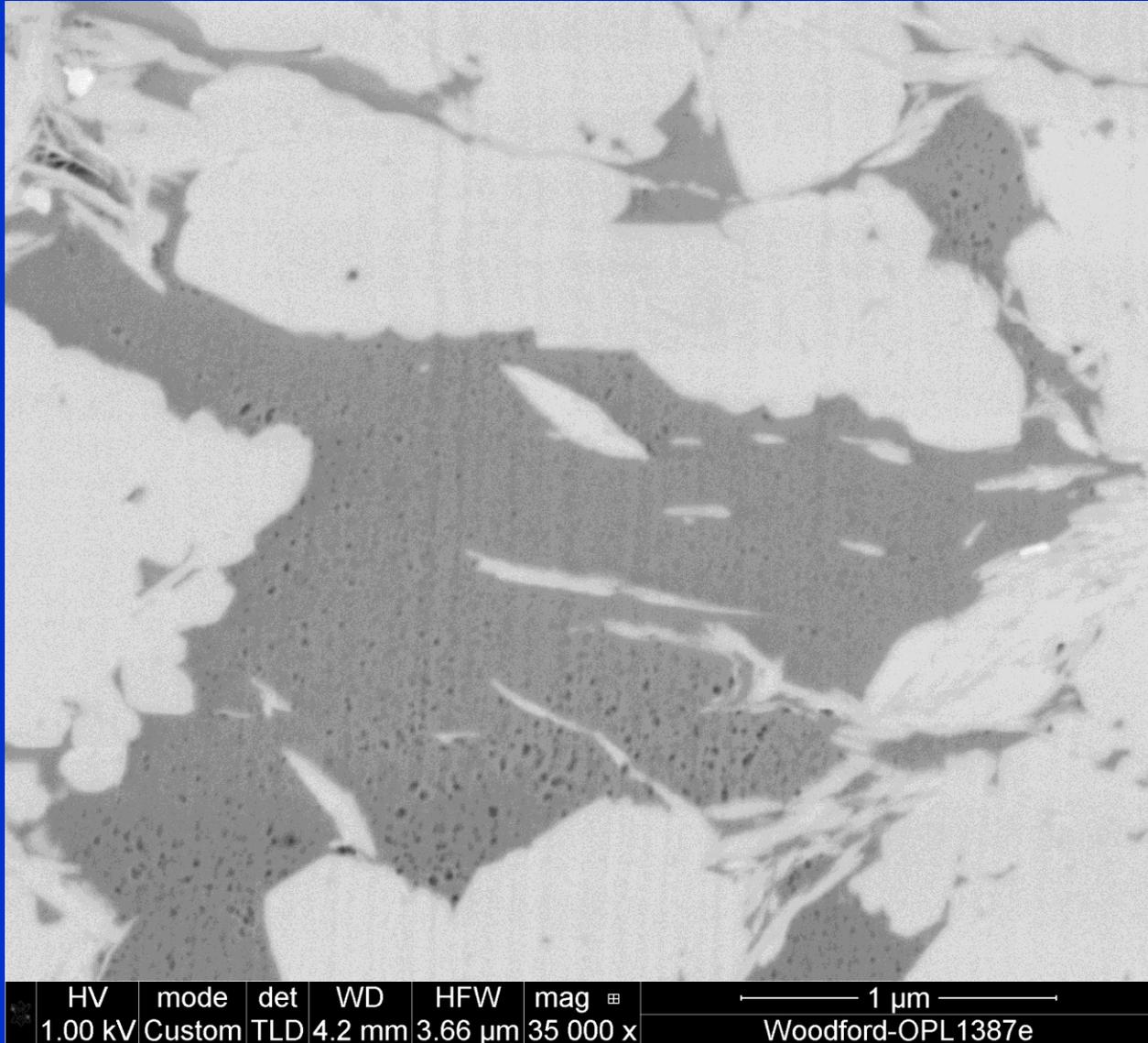
Using a combination of focused ion beam milling and scanning electron microscopy we describe the evolution of secondary organic porosity in eight Woodford Shale (Late Devonian–Early Mississippian) samples with mean random vitrinite reflectance values ranging from 0.51% Ro to 6.36% Ro. Organic porosity was observed to be absent in samples with vitrinite reflectance values of up to 0.90% Ro with the first appearance of secondary pores starting with the 1.23% Ro sample. Porosity in the organic matter was unexpectedly absent in a sample with a vitrinite reflectance of 2.00% Ro; however, organic pores were again found in samples with higher thermal maturities. Porosity, when present, did not appear to be uniformly distributed among the organic matter that was within less than a micron of each other suggesting important differences in composition of the organic matter. Thin regions of organic matter were observed between grains raising the possibility that small amounts of the deposited organic matter were compacted between grains to form thin layers and/or the structures are part of the secondary organic matter (interpreted to be post-oil bitumen) which was left behind as a residue during oil migration through the shale. Some regions of porous organic matter appeared to be grain protected whereas others did not which indicates that these non-protected porous organic regions may be stress supporting with porosity intact under in situ reservoir conditions. These observations suggest that thermal maturity alone is insufficient to predict porosity development in organic shales, and other factors, such as organic matter composition, c

Focused Ion Beam (FIB) milling + SEM Backscatter Electron Imaging: **Higher thermal maturity** (1.4% Ro; OPL 1387) Woodford Shale core containing **wispy post-oil bitumen network** @ 500X



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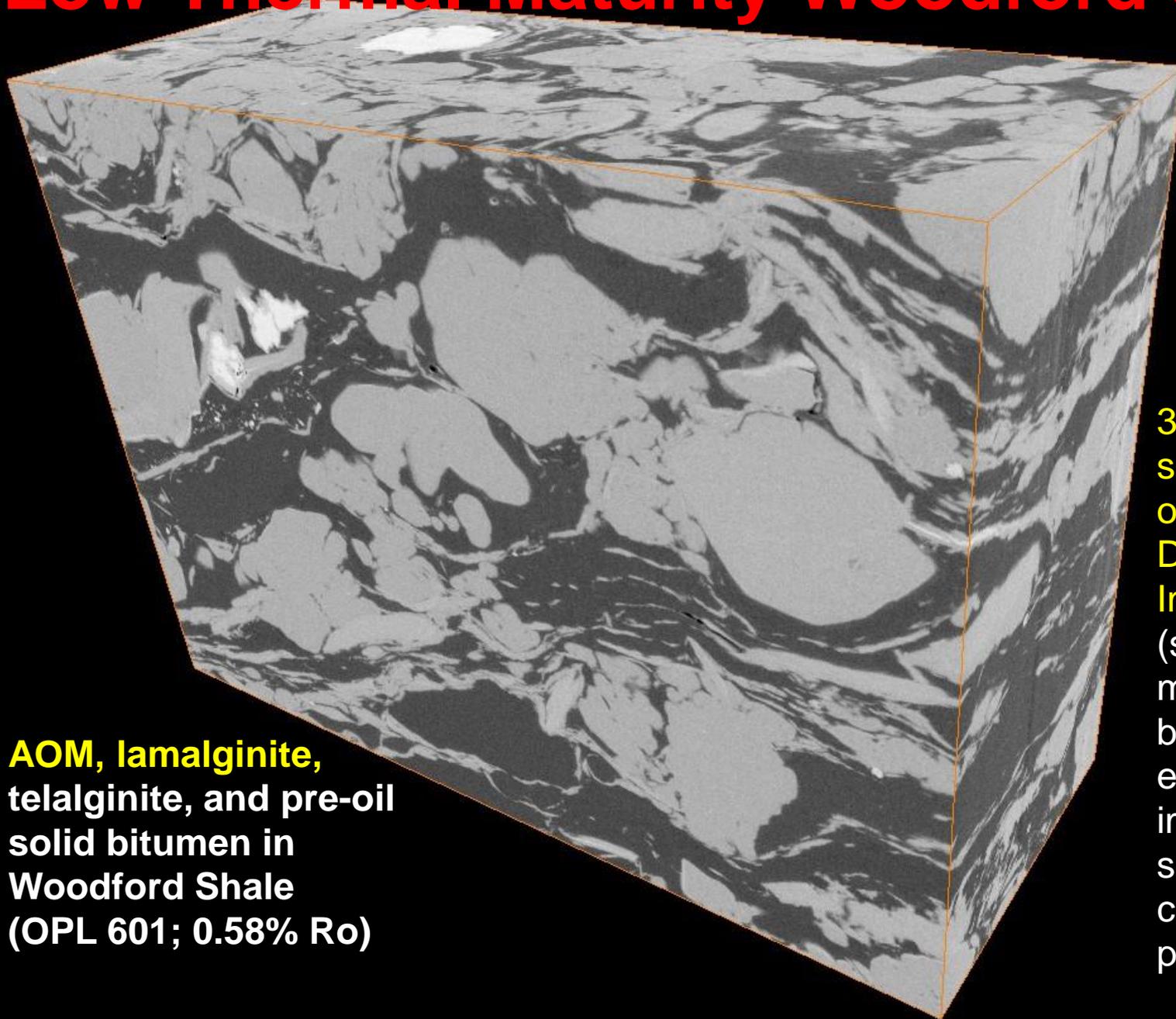
Higher magnification of previous slide showing **nanoporosity** in wispy post-oil bitumen network



# Low Thermal Maturity Woodford Shale

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solid bitumen in  
Woodford Shale  
(OPL 601; 0.58% Ro)**

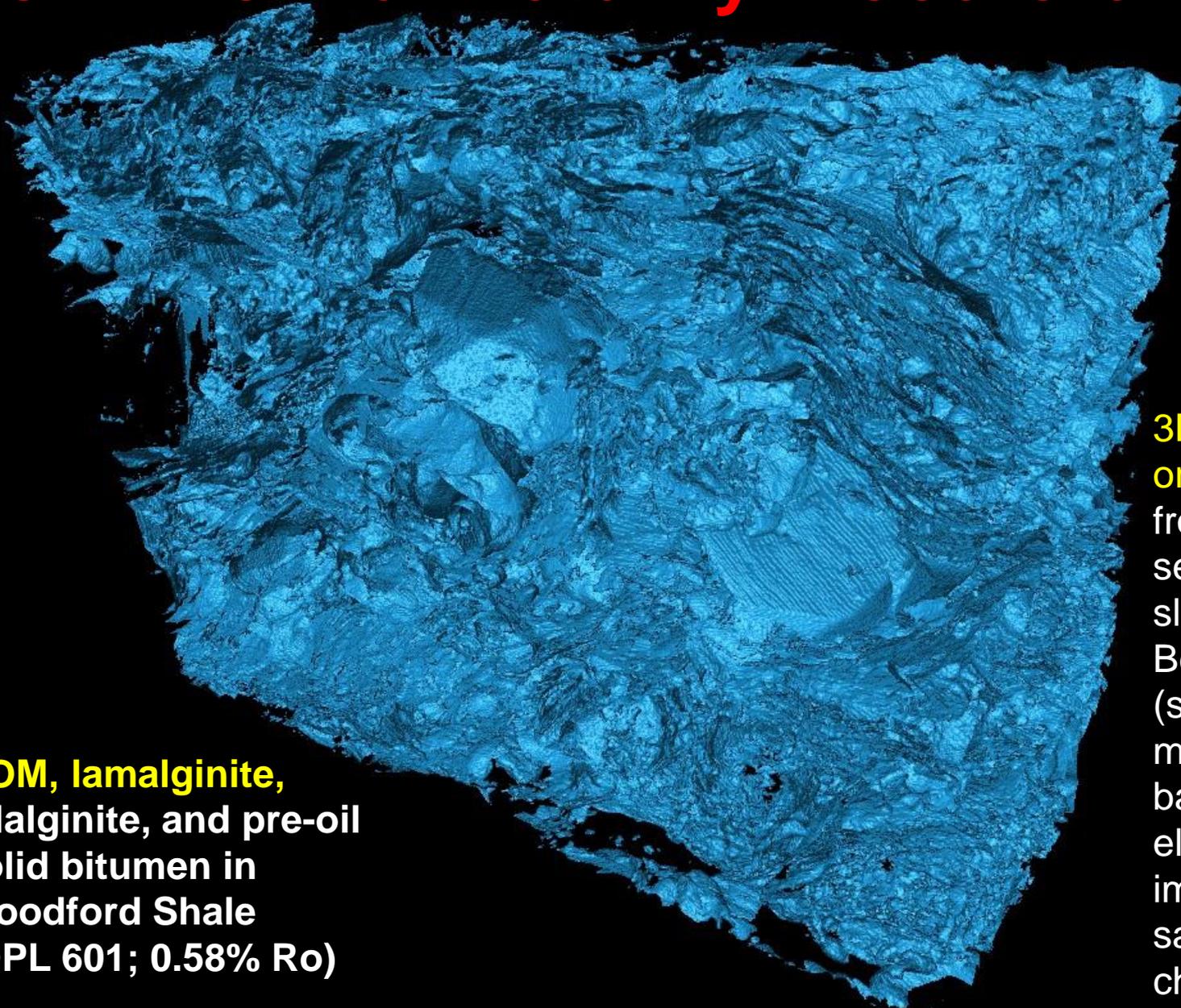
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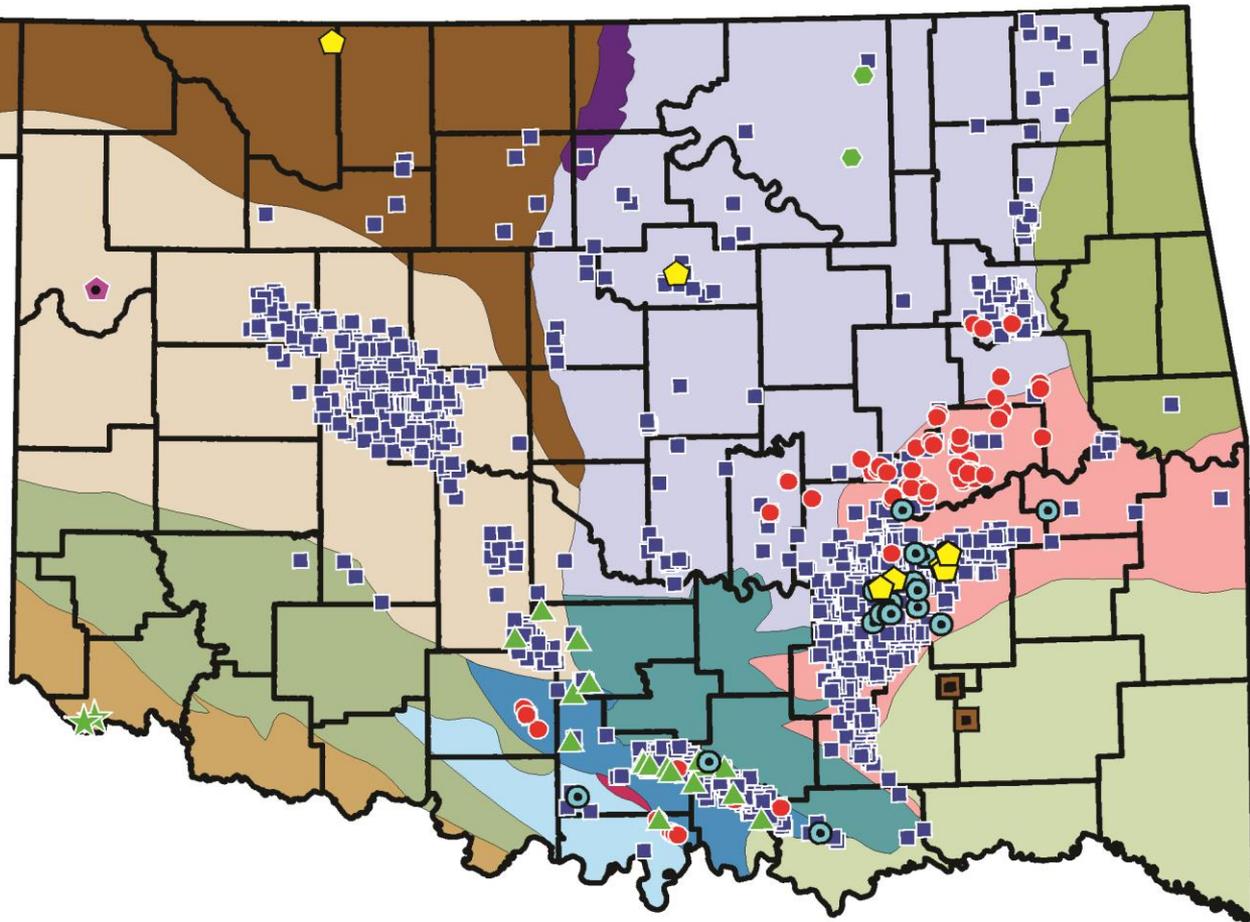
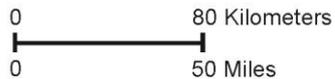
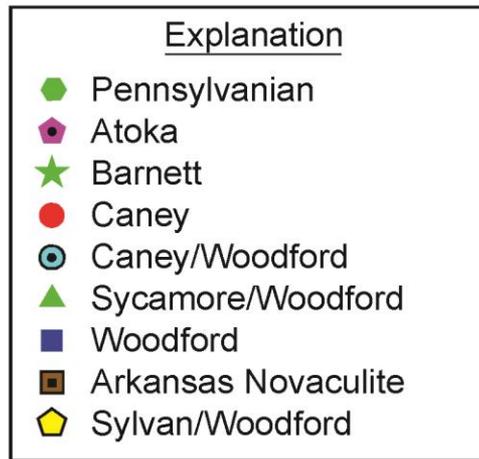
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## Woodford Production:

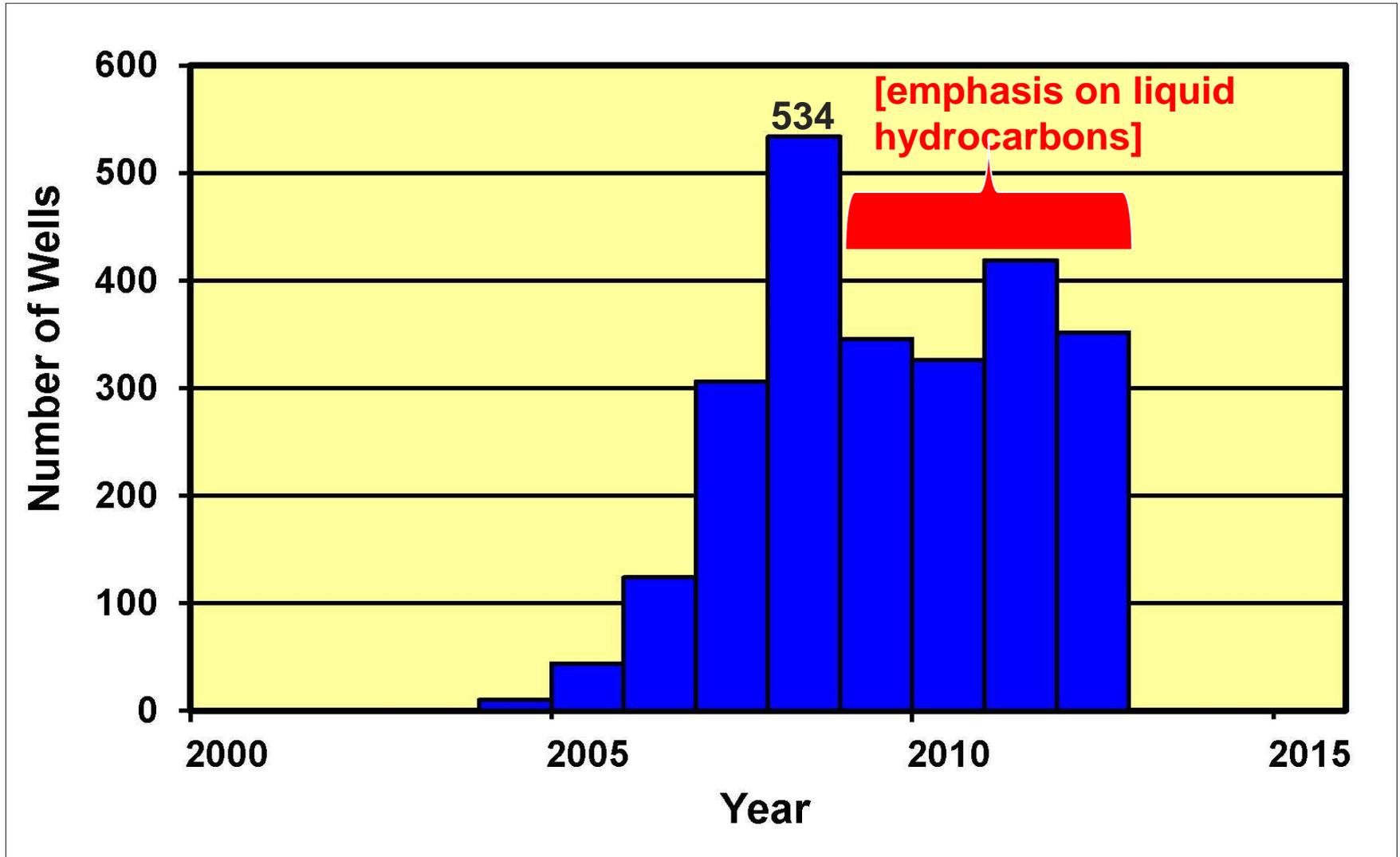
- Where are the Woodford Shale plays in Oklahoma?
- Why are the plays where they are?
- What types of hydrocarbons are produced?

# Oklahoma Shale Gas/Oil Completions (1939-2012)

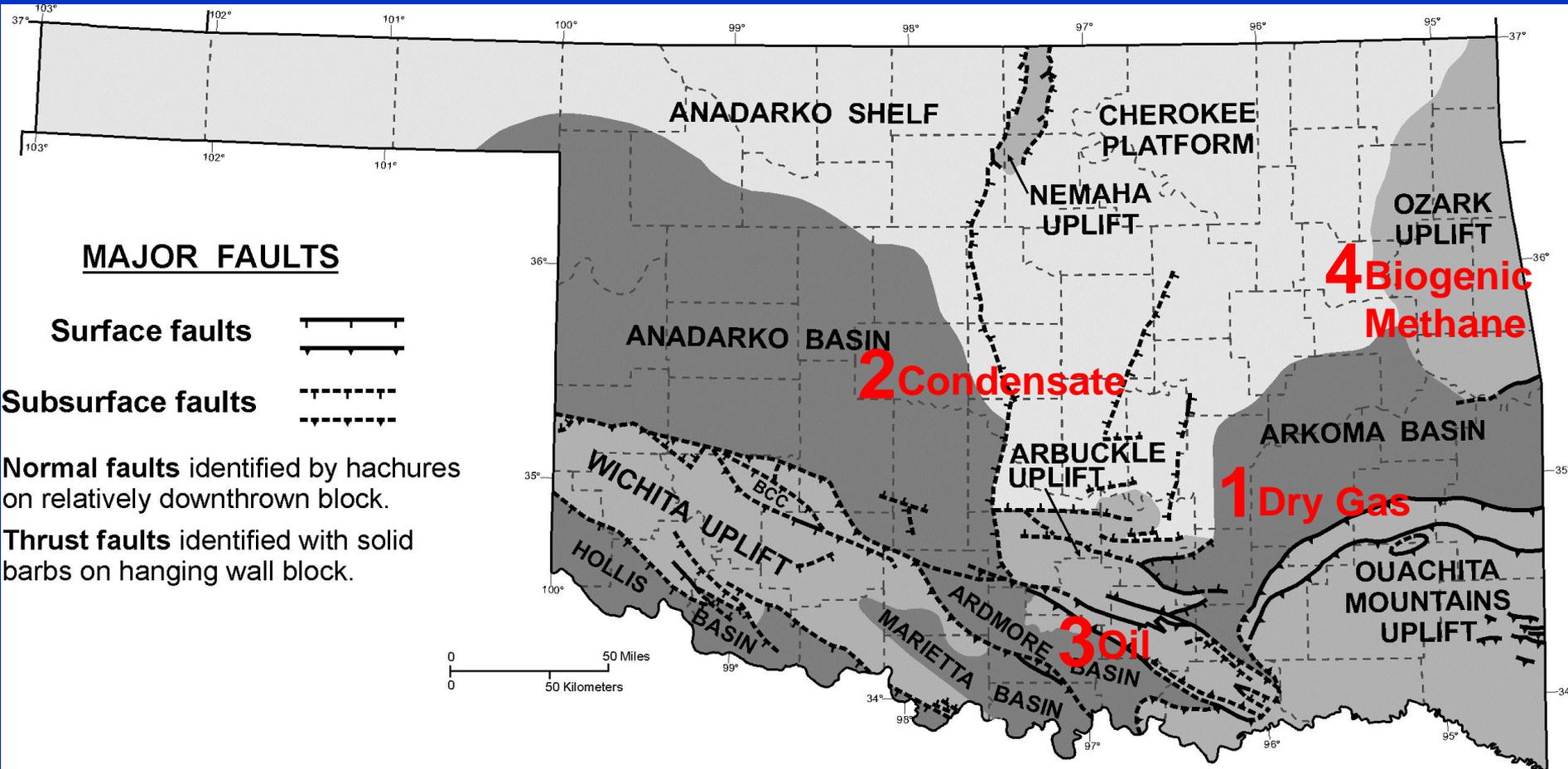


**2,620 completions**

# Woodford Shale Completions (2004-2012)

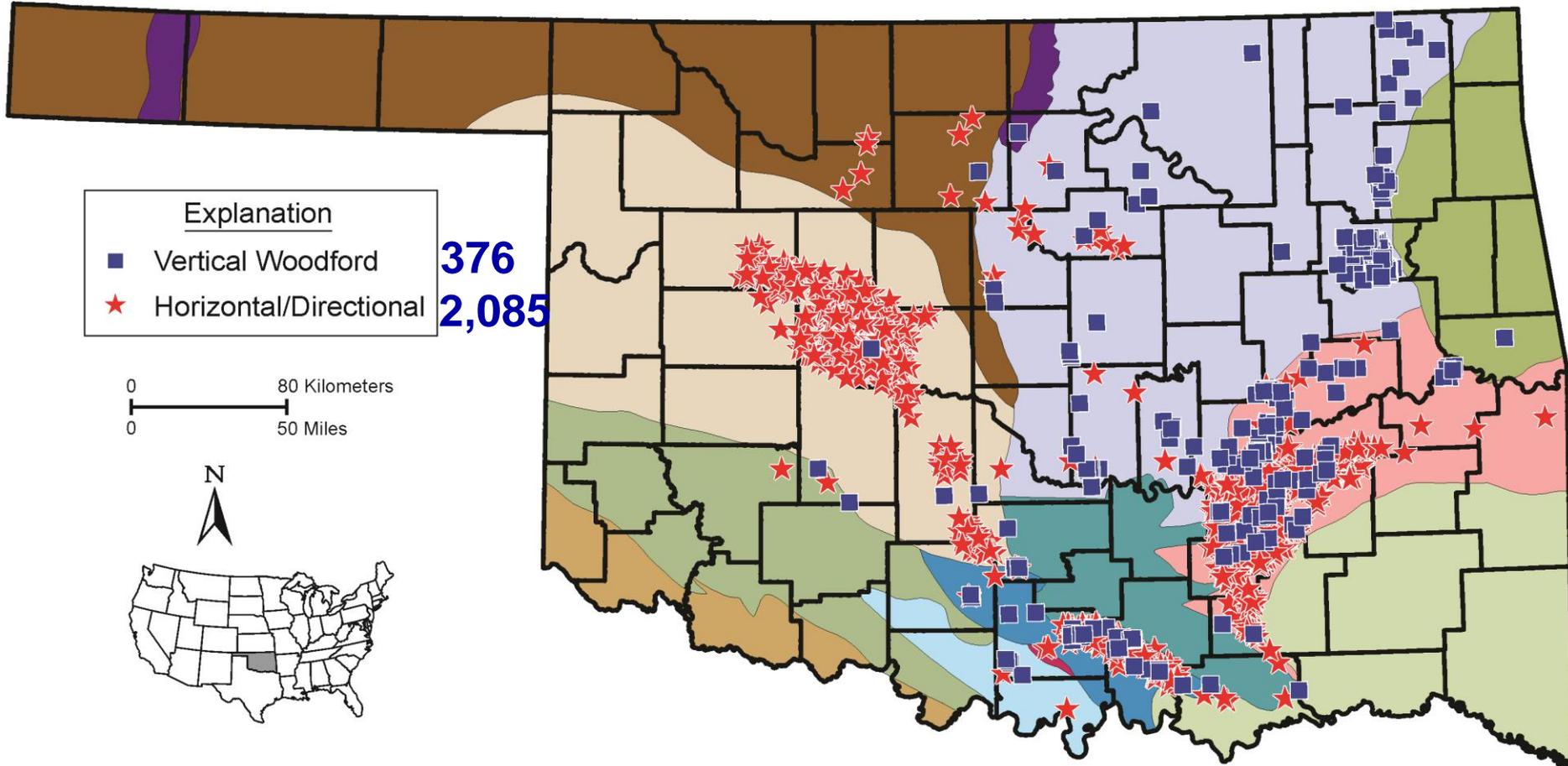


# Woodford Shale Plays

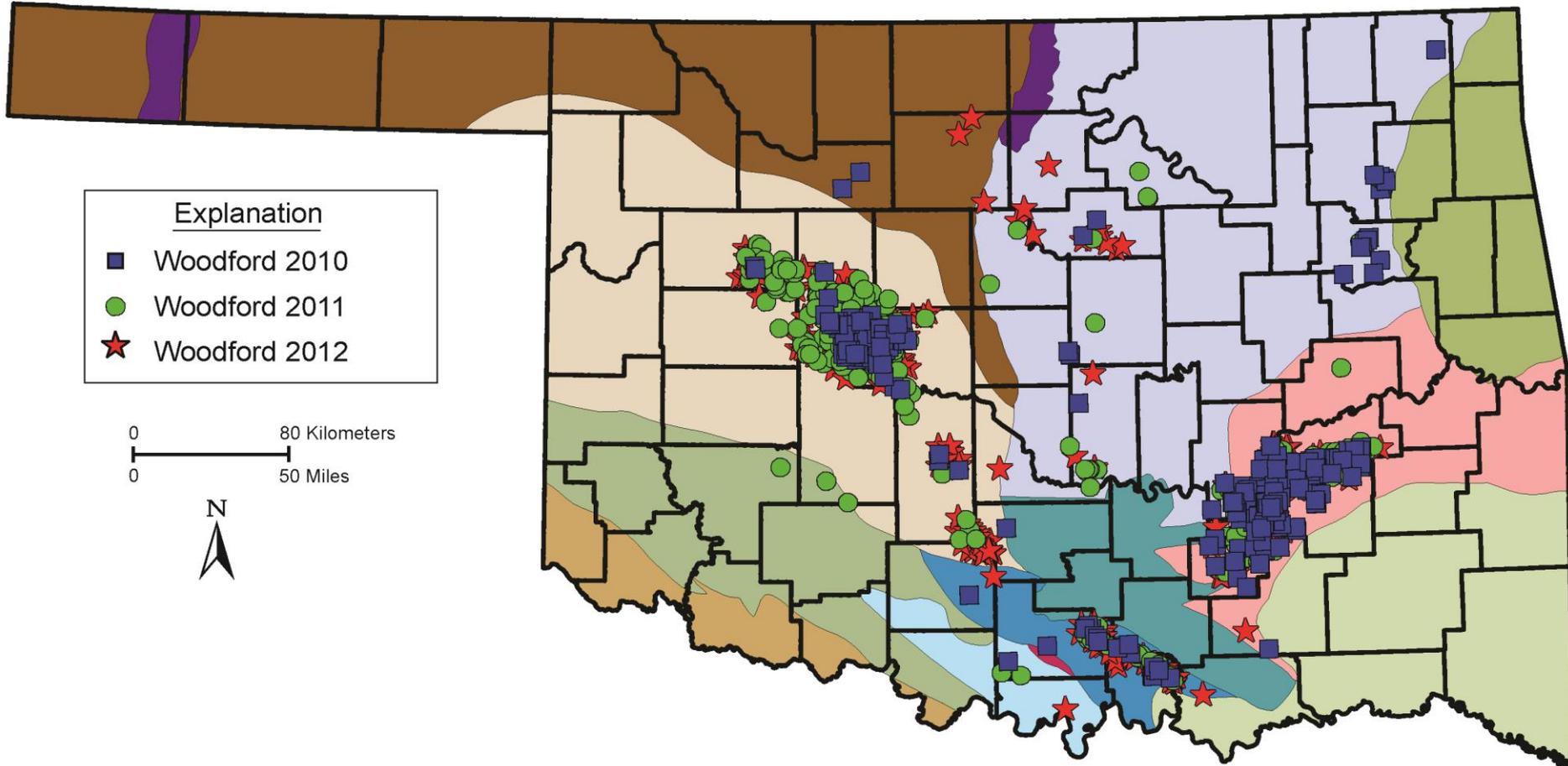


Geologic provinces from  
Northcutt and Campbell, 1995

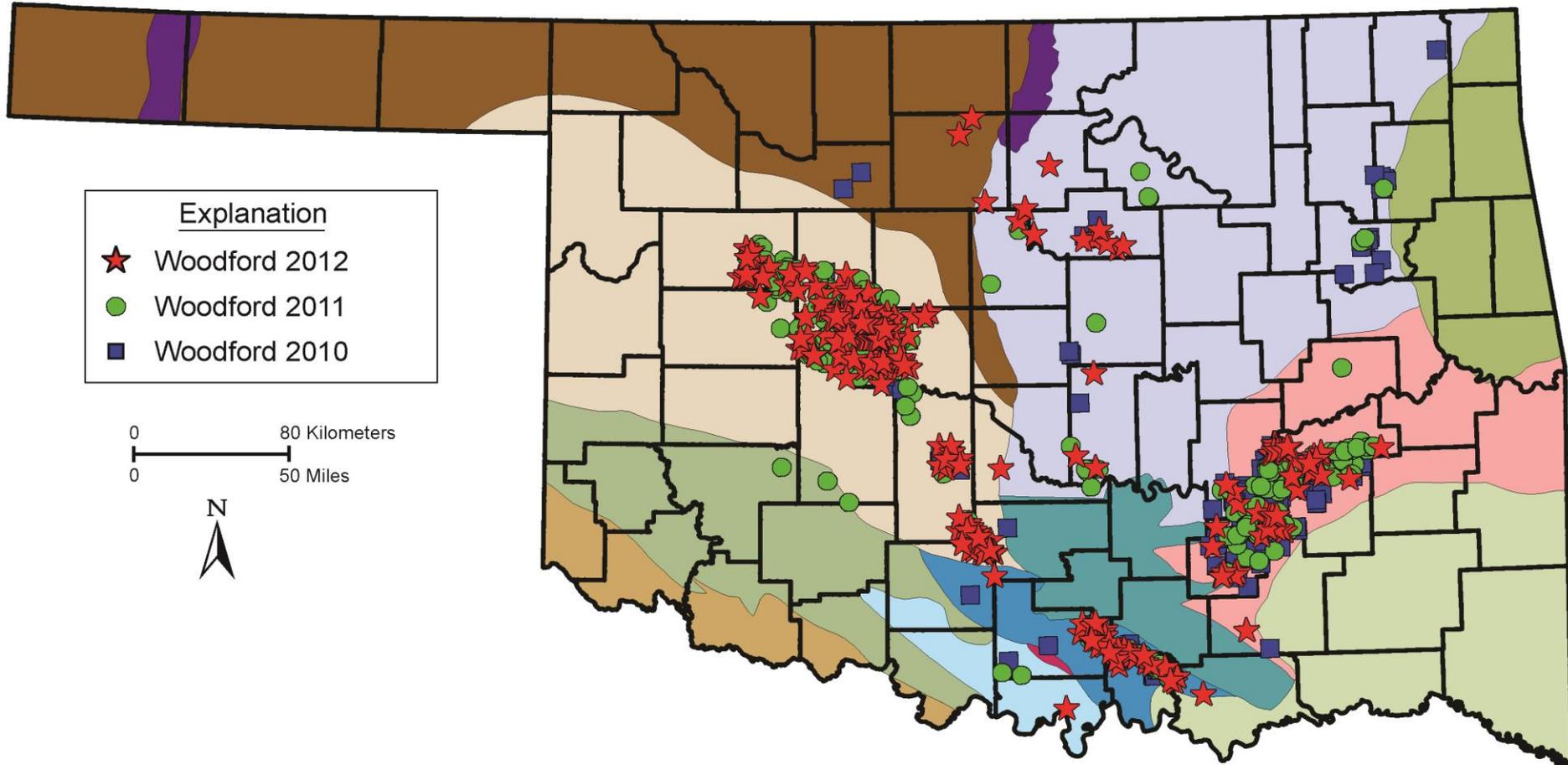
# 2,461 Woodford Shale Wells (2004-2012)



# Woodford Shale Wells (2010-2012)



# Woodford Shale Wells (2012-2010)

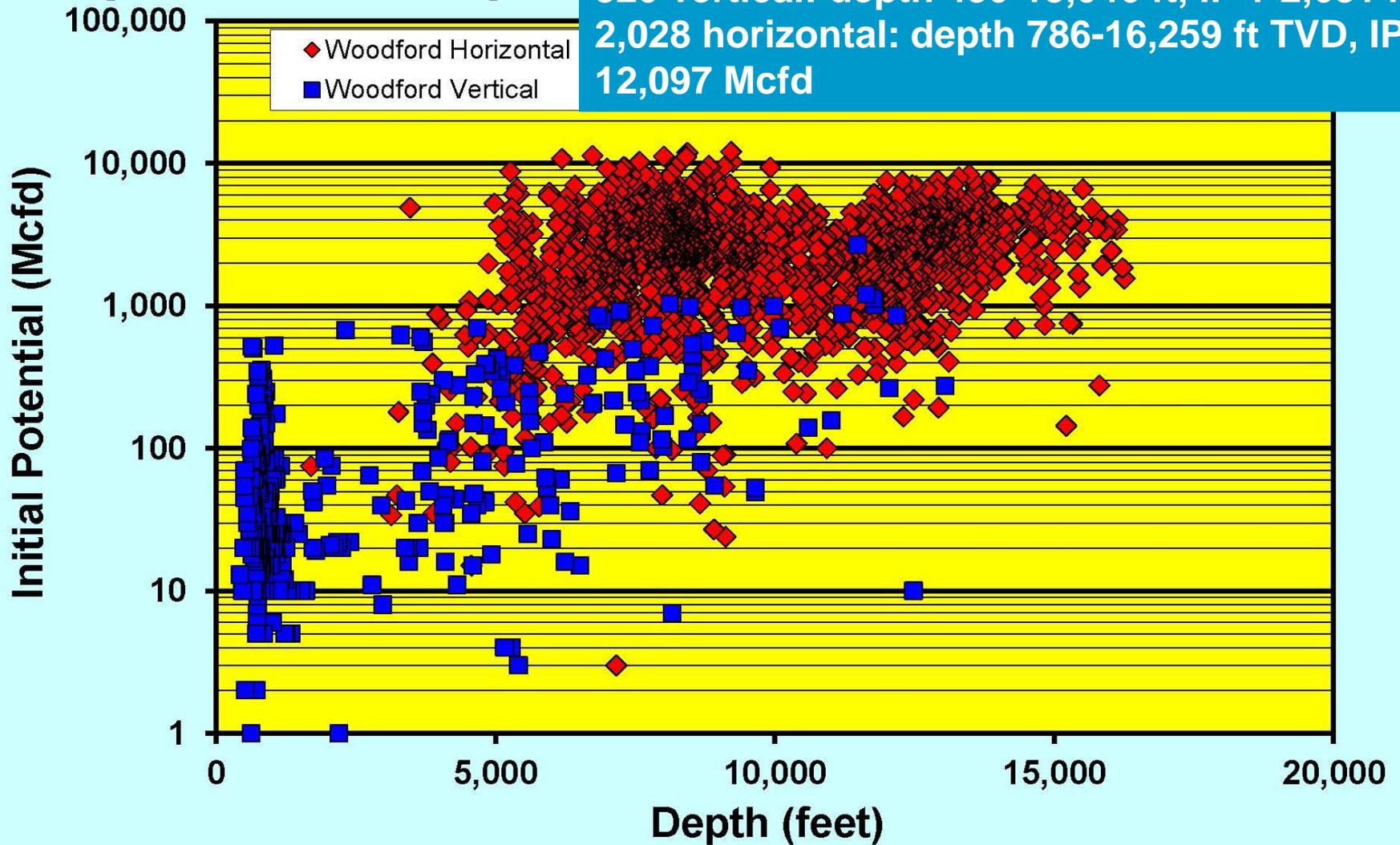


# Woodford Shale IP Gas vs. Depth (2004-2012)

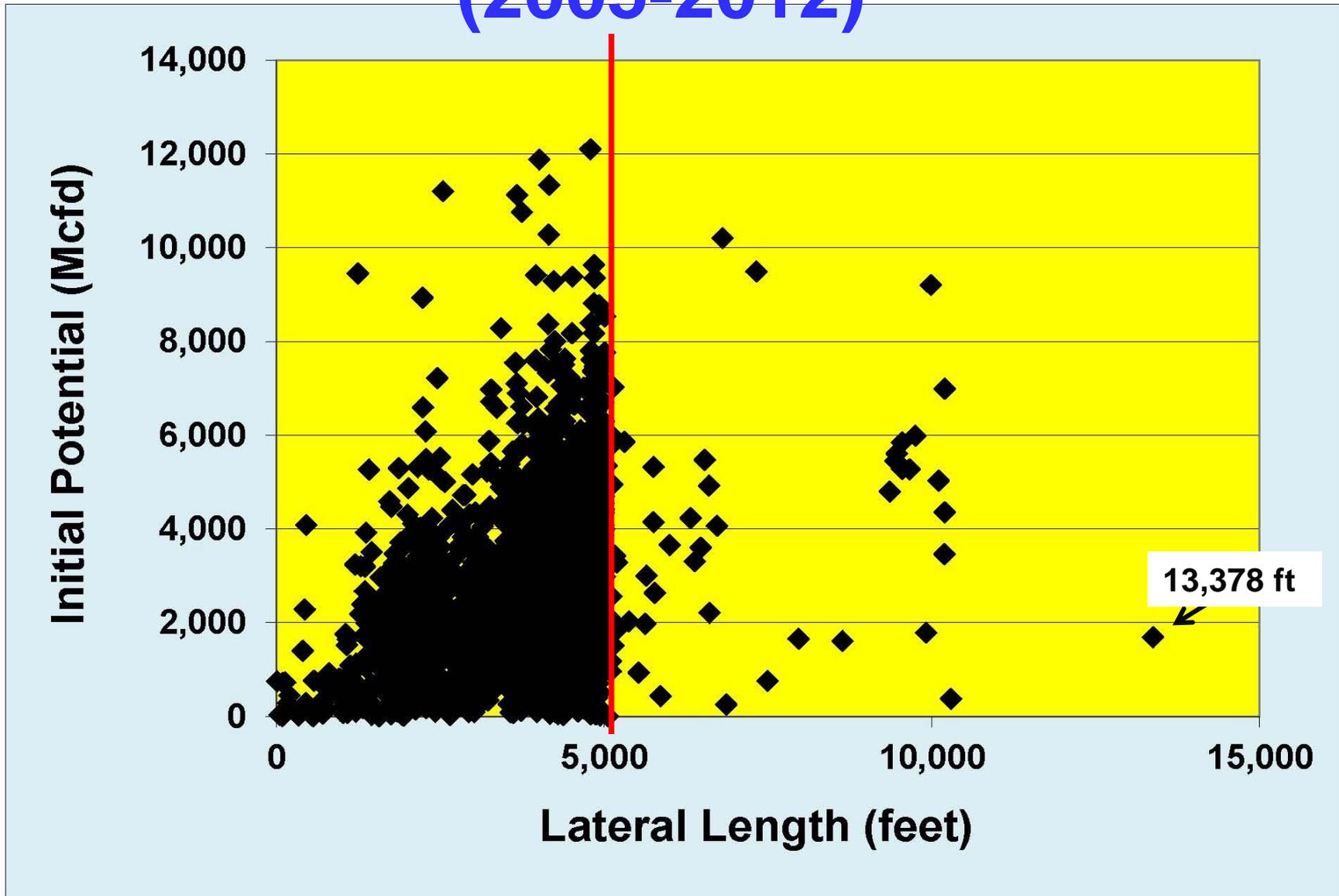
2,348 Woodford-only wells:

320 vertical: depth 430-13,046 ft, IP 1-2,681 Mcfd

2,028 horizontal: depth 786-16,259 ft TVD, IP 3-12,097 Mcfd



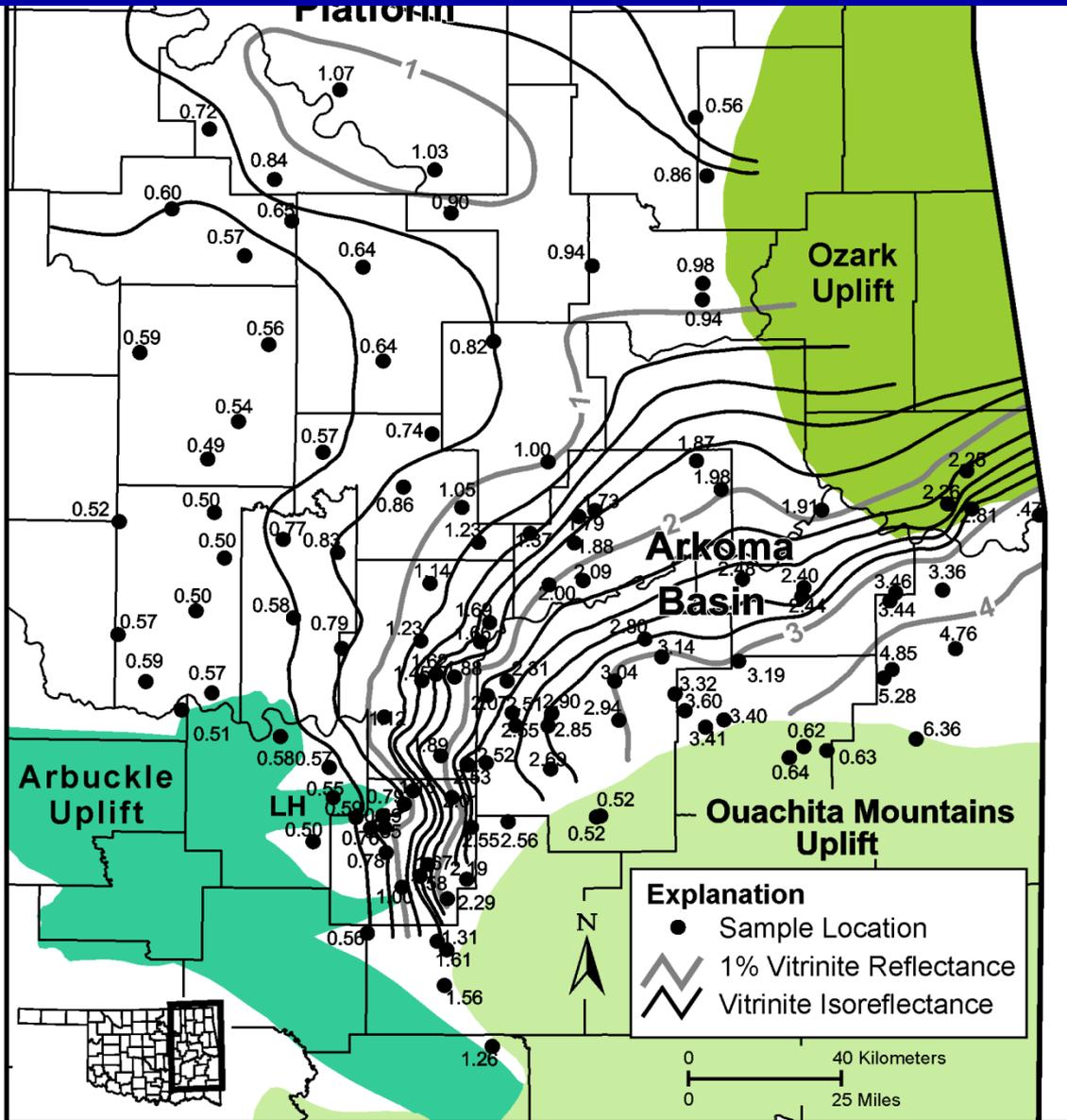
# Woodford Shale Horizontal Well Laterals (2005-2012)



Emphasis of presentation will be on the importance of **thermal maturity** (by vitrinite reflectance) on the Woodford Shale oil and gas plays.

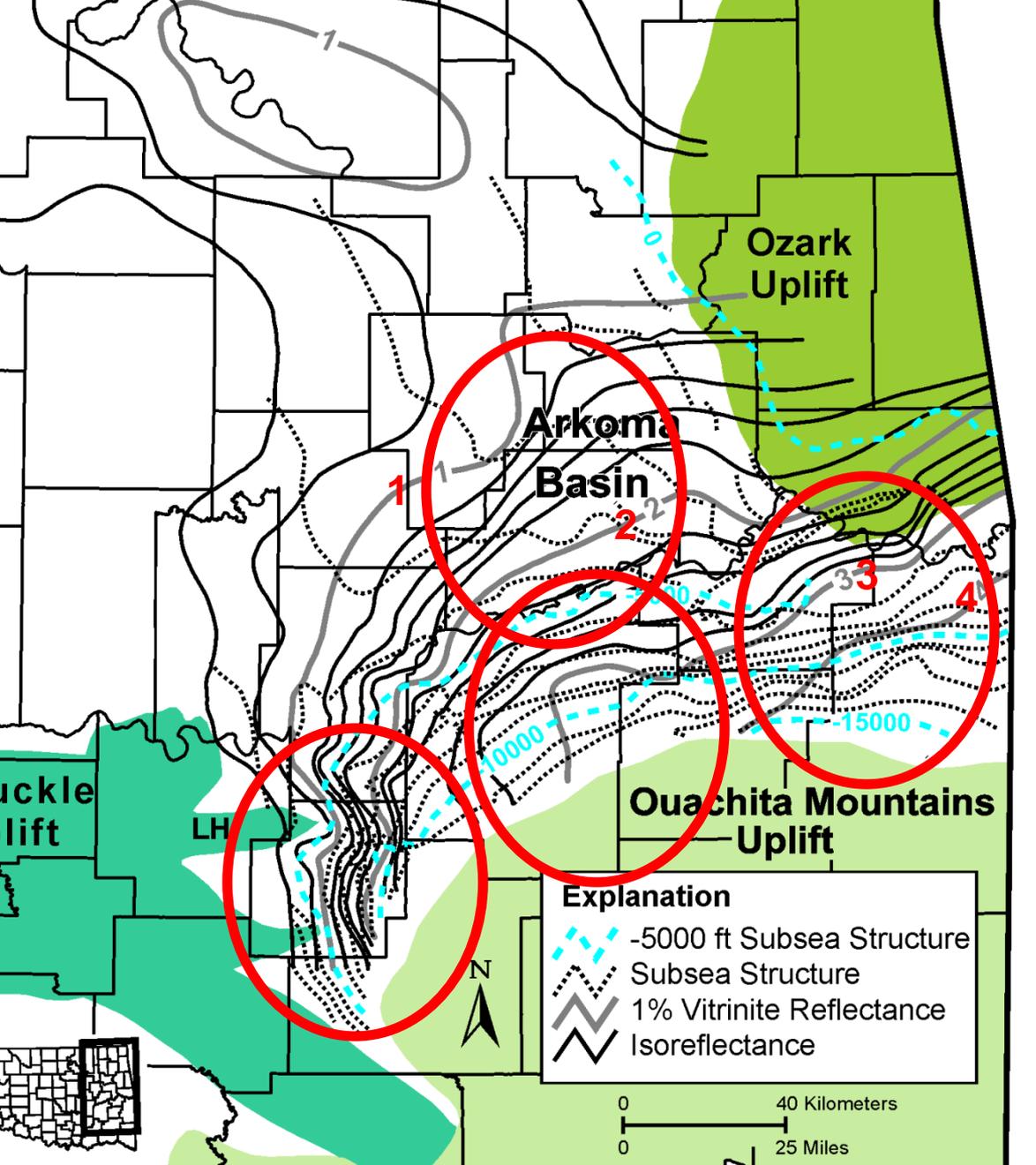
# Isoreflectance Map of the Woodford Shale in Eastern Oklahoma (Updated November 2011)

Distribution of **117** Woodford Shale samples with vitrinite-reflectance data ( $n \geq 20$ ; whole-rock pellets)



Cardott, 2012

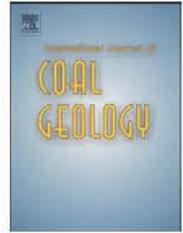
# Woodford Shale Structure & Vitrinite Isoreflectance Map



Maps prepared by  
R. Vance Hall  
using Petra

Cardott, 2012

**Most of the following maps are from an August 2011 presentation and have not been updated (published in 2012).**



## Thermal maturity of Woodford Shale gas and oil plays, Oklahoma, USA

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### ABSTRACT

Being a hydrocarbon source rock and having a brittle (silica-rich) lithologic character makes the Woodford Shale (Late Devonian to Early Mississippian) an important oil and gas shale in Oklahoma. Since 2004, Woodford Shale plays have expanded from producing primarily thermogenic methane in one geologic province to producing thermogenic methane, condensate, oil and biogenic methane in four geologic provinces at thermal maturities from mature ( $>0.5\%$  vitrinite reflectance,  $R_o$ ) to post mature (2% to 3%  $R_o$ ). Condensate is produced at a thermal maturity up to 1.67%  $R_o$ . Oil is produced from naturally-fractured, silica-rich shale. Biogenic methane is produced in shallow ( $<2000$ ft, 610m) reservoirs down dip from the outcrop in northeast Oklahoma.

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### 1. Introduction

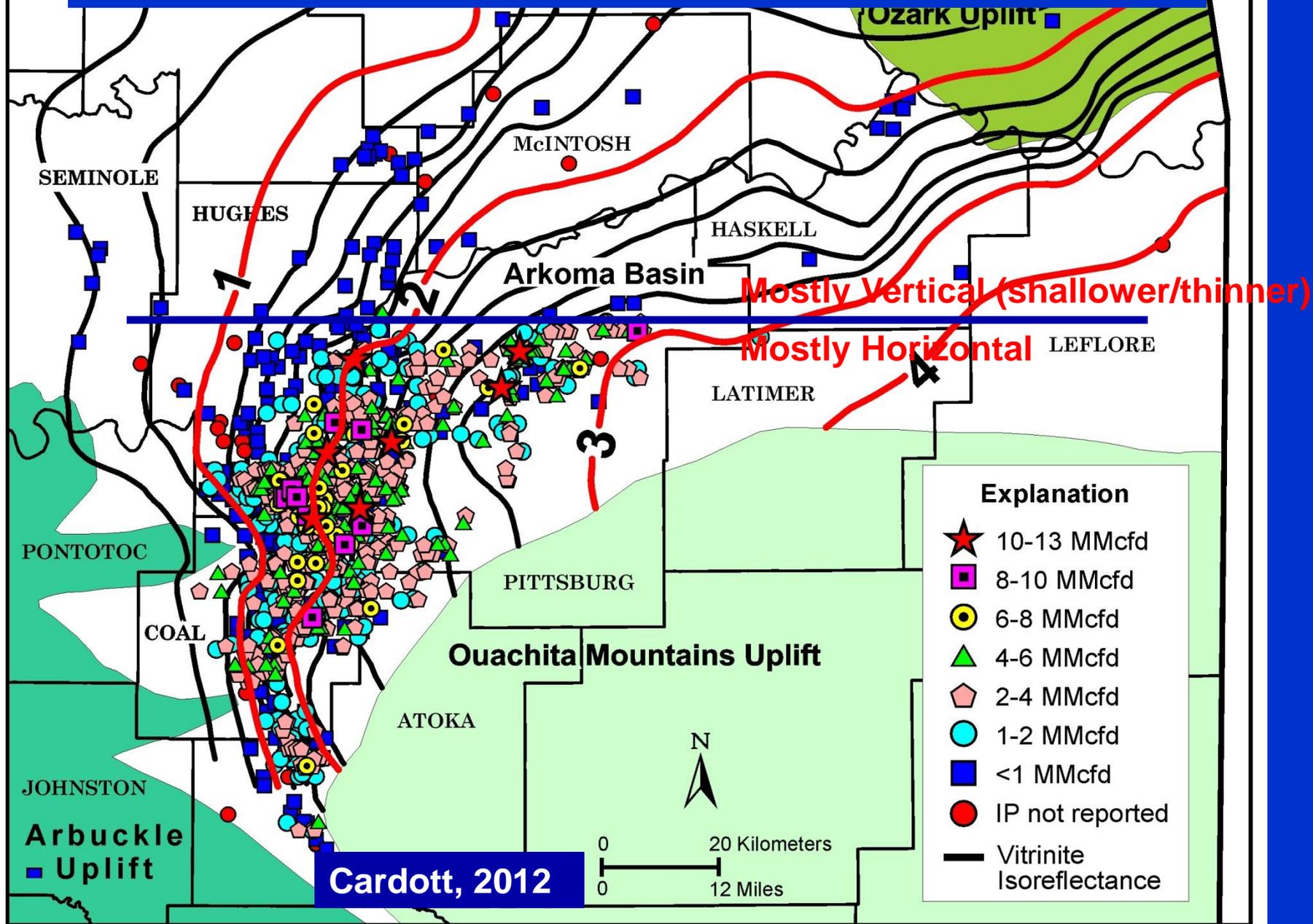
The Woodford Shale (Late Devonian to Early Mississippian) is an important hydrocarbon source rock in Oklahoma (Comer and Hinch, 1987; Johnson and Cardott, 1992). It is a black to dark-gray, marine, carbonaceous shale with a silty to blocky texture. It is characterized by its

potential (e.g., high total organic carbon content with Type II kerogen), one advantage of the marine Woodford Shale as a gas shale is its quartz-rich composition, specifically rich in radiolaria and sponge spicules

Kuuskräa et al. (2011) indicated that marine shales (common depositional facies in the Texas–Alabama–Georgia–Louisiana–Mississippi

**Cardott, 2012**

# Arkoma Basin Initial Potential

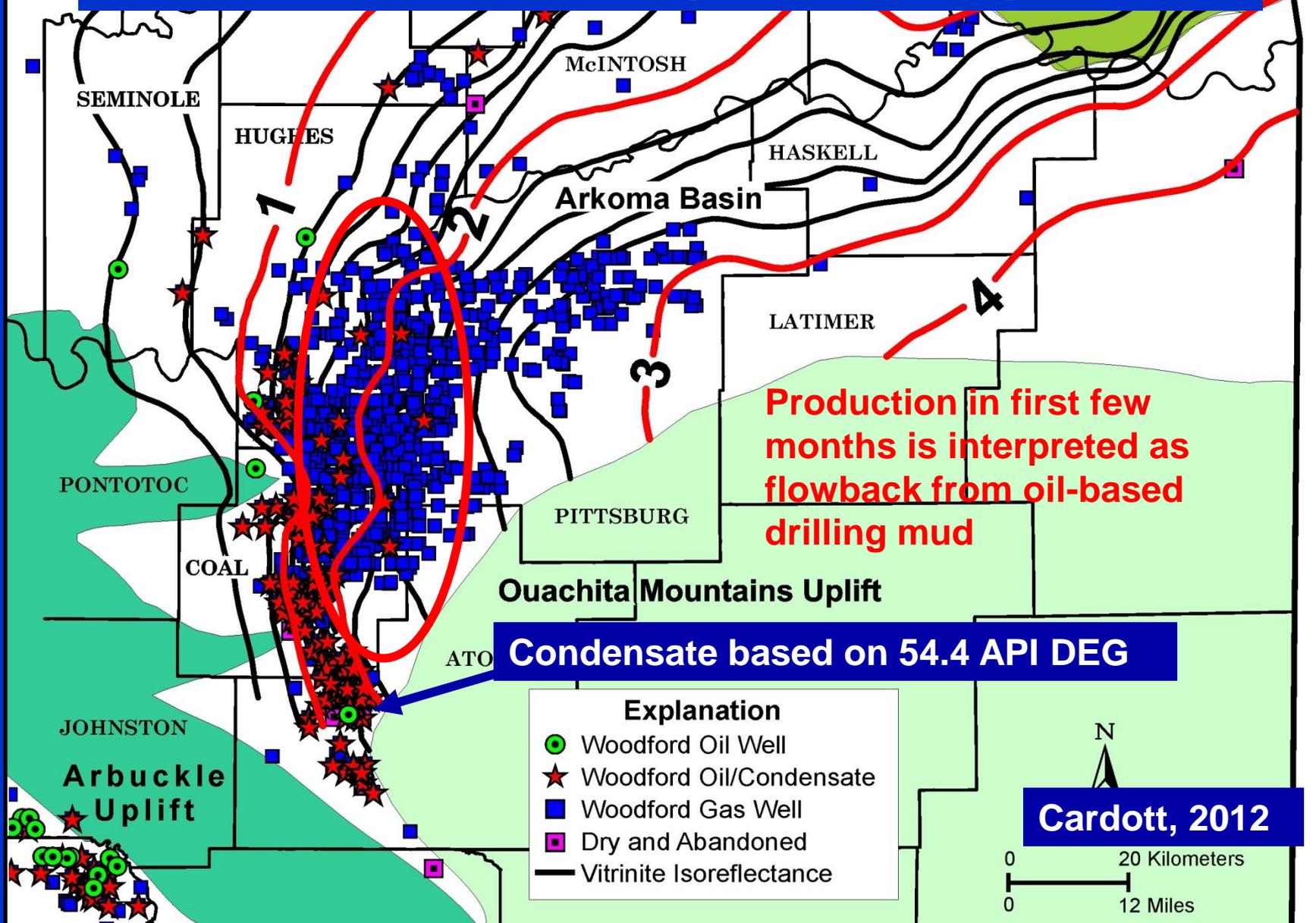


# Woodford Oil/Condensate/Gas Production Caveat

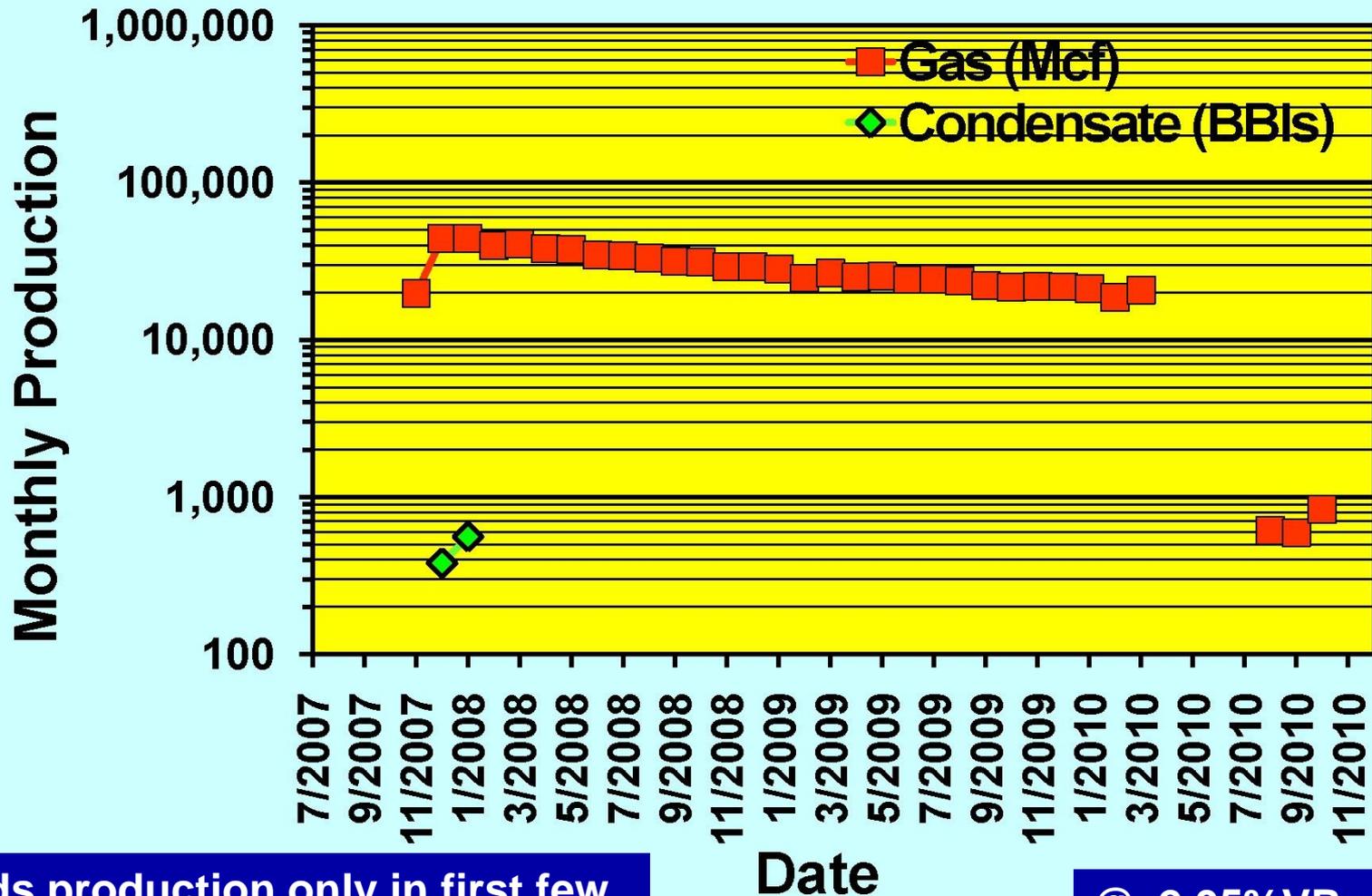
- **Gas** production is reported by the Oklahoma Corporation Commission by **WELL**.
- **Oil/condensate** production is reported by the Oklahoma Tax Commission by **LEASE** [production by well is only on single-well leases]

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# Woodford Shale Oil/Condensate/Gas Production (2004-2011)



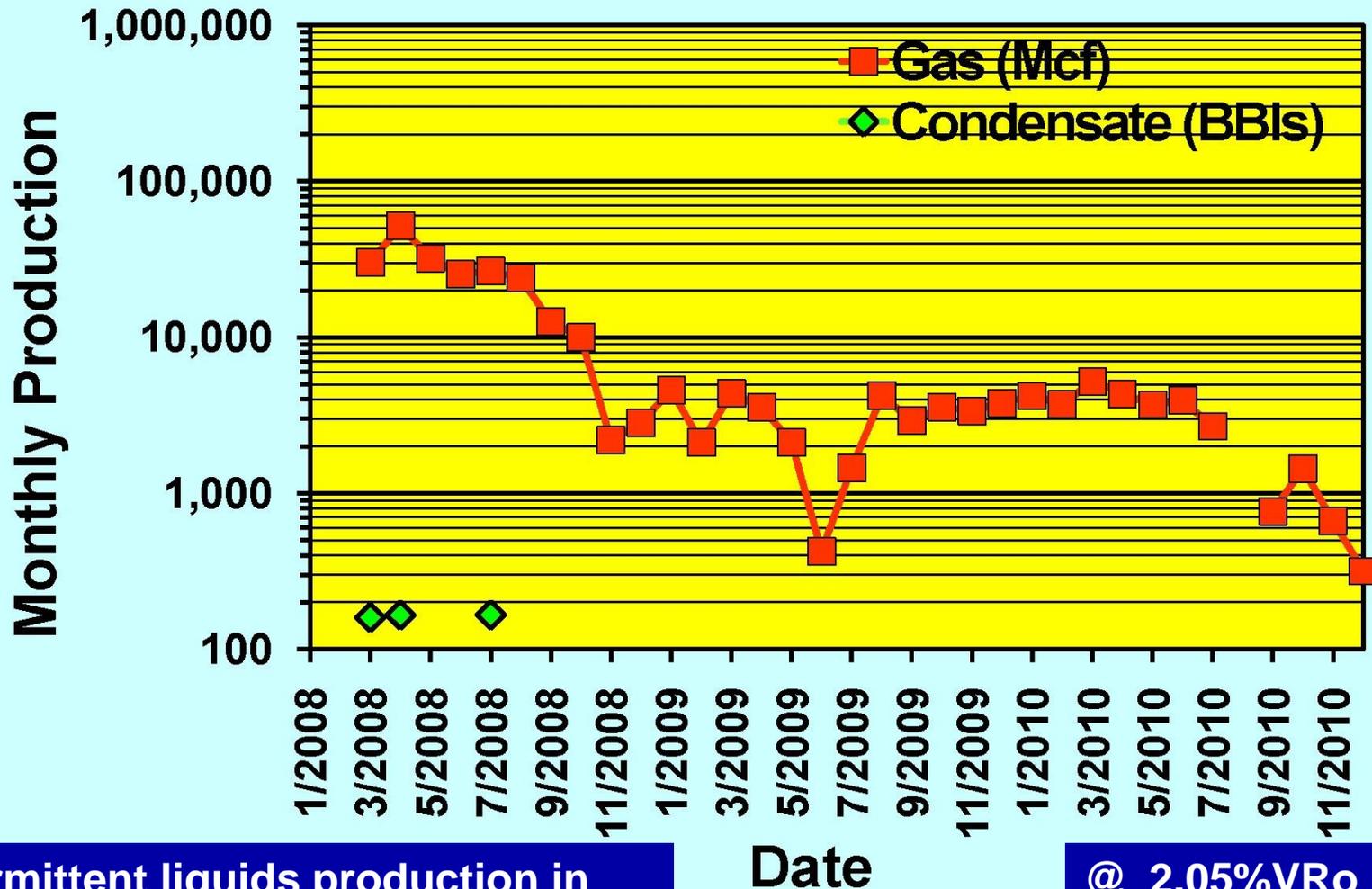
# (1) Newfield 3H-36 Genevieve (36-6N-11E; Hughes Co.; IP 2,118 Mcfd)



Liquids production only in first few months interpreted as flowback

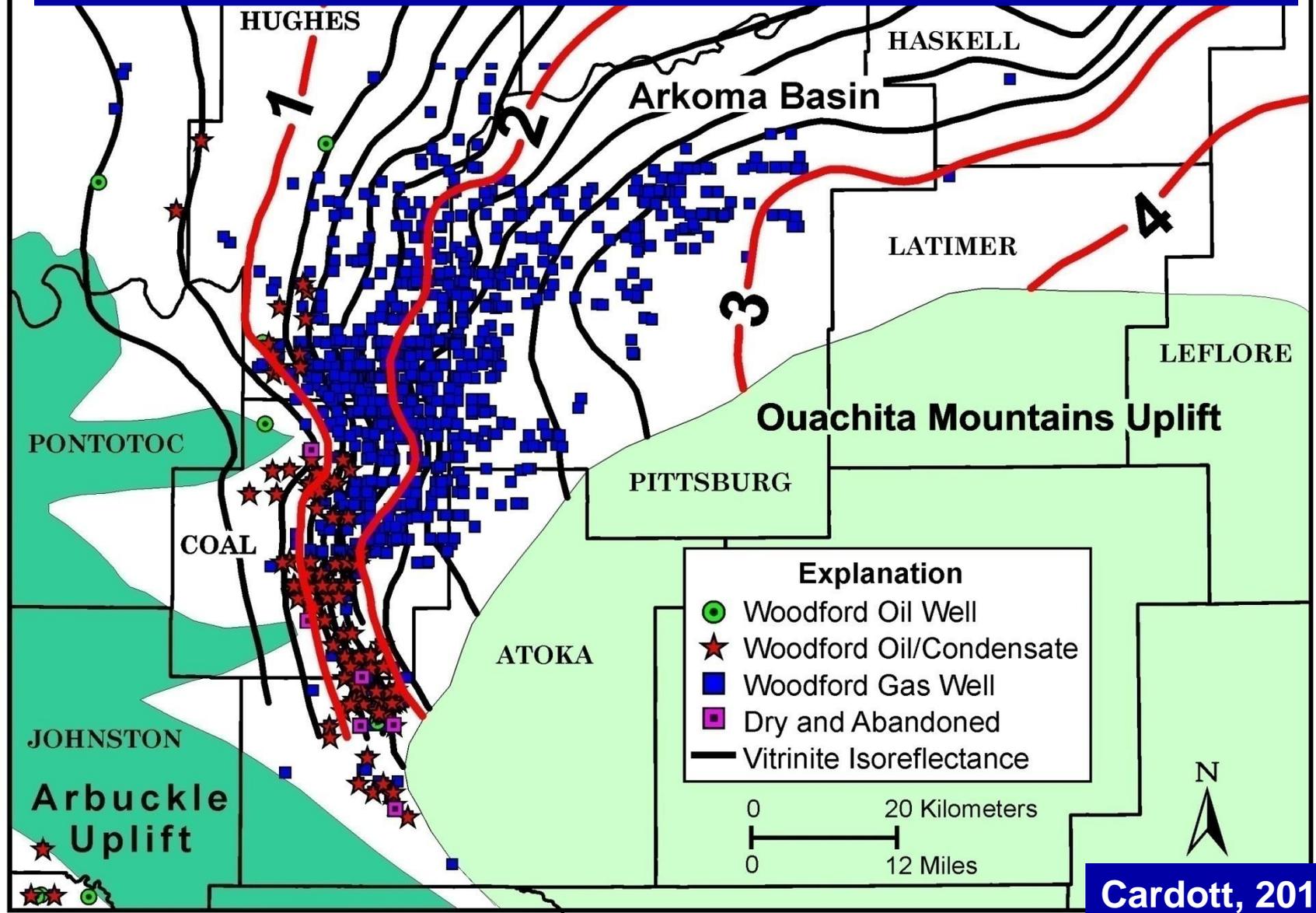
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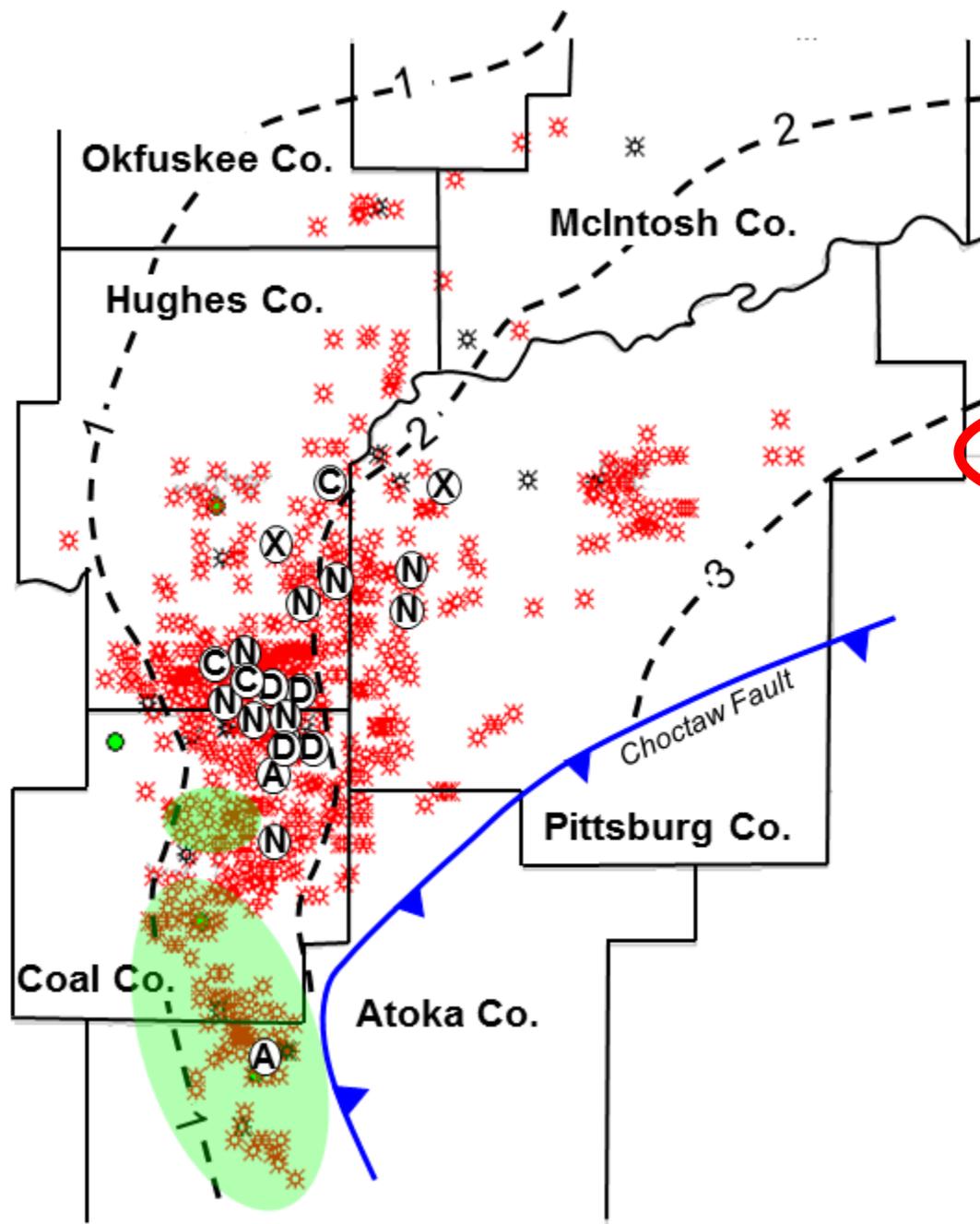
## (2) Cimarex 3-34H Hall (34-3N-11E; Coal Co.; IP 1,740 Mcfd)



Intermittent liquids production in first few months interpreted as oil-based drilling mud flowback

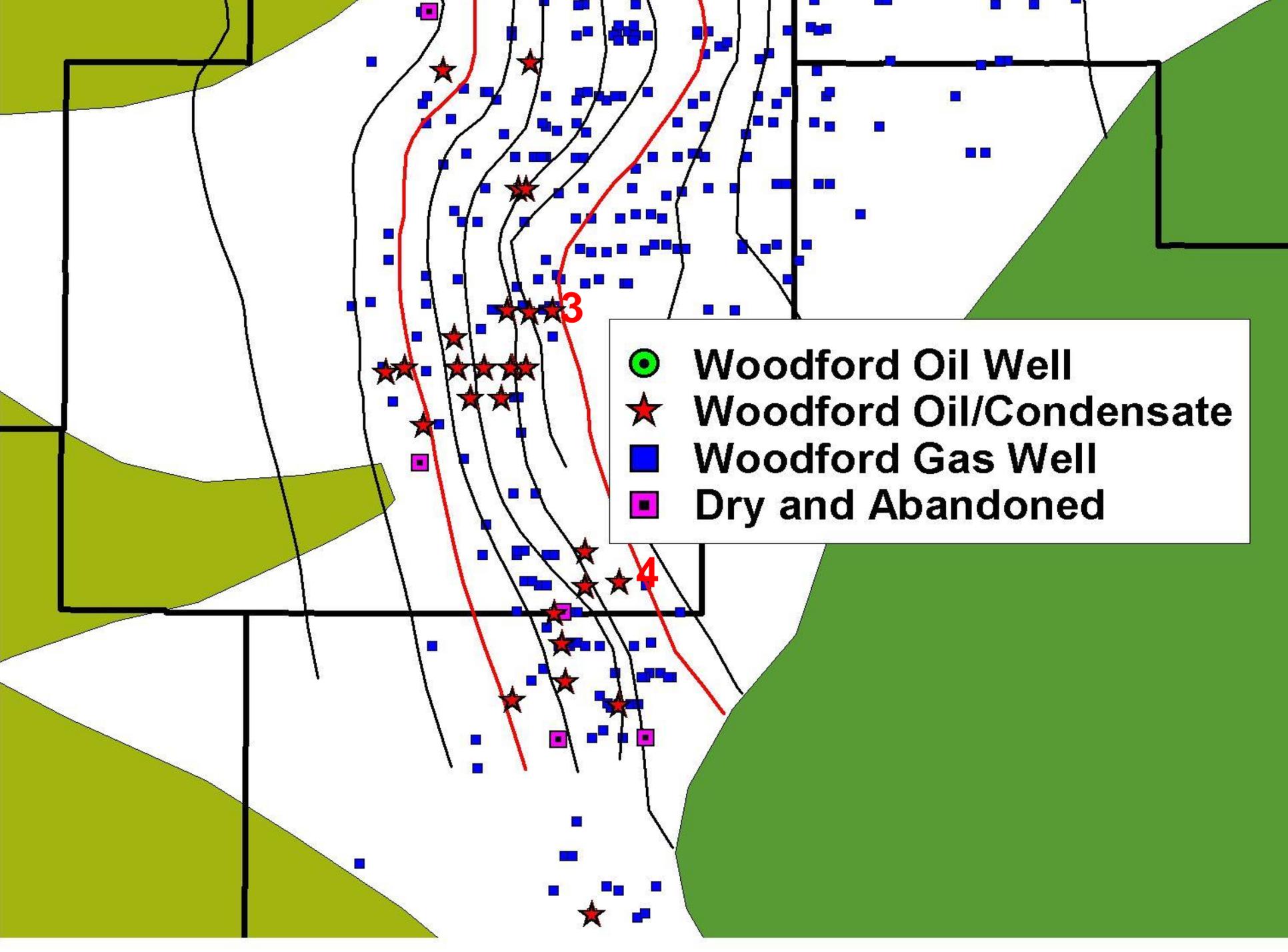
# Woodford Shale-Only Condensate Wells Excluding Early Month Spikes





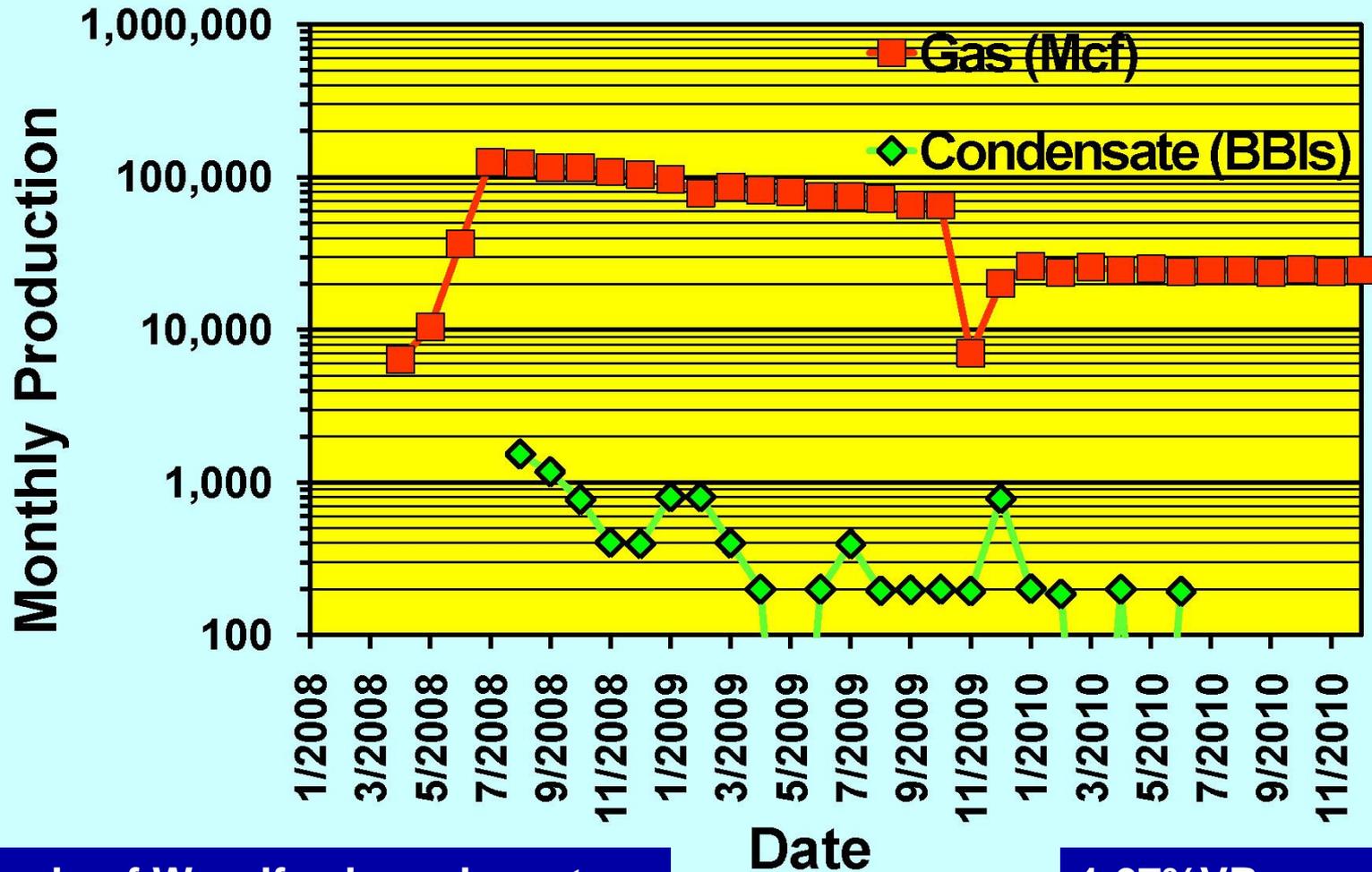
- Horizontal Woodford wells in the Arkoma Basin.
- Vitrinite reflectance ( $R_o$ ).
- Condensate production (green-shaded areas).
- Location of 40 wells with highest initial production (IP). Operators affiliated with these wells are as follows:  
A= Antero, C= Continental, D= Devon, N= Newfield, X= XTO.

Well data is from IHS Energy, 2009.  
Reflectance data is modified from Cardott, 2008.



- Woodford Oil Well
- ★ Woodford Oil/Condensate
- Woodford Gas Well
- Dry and Abandoned

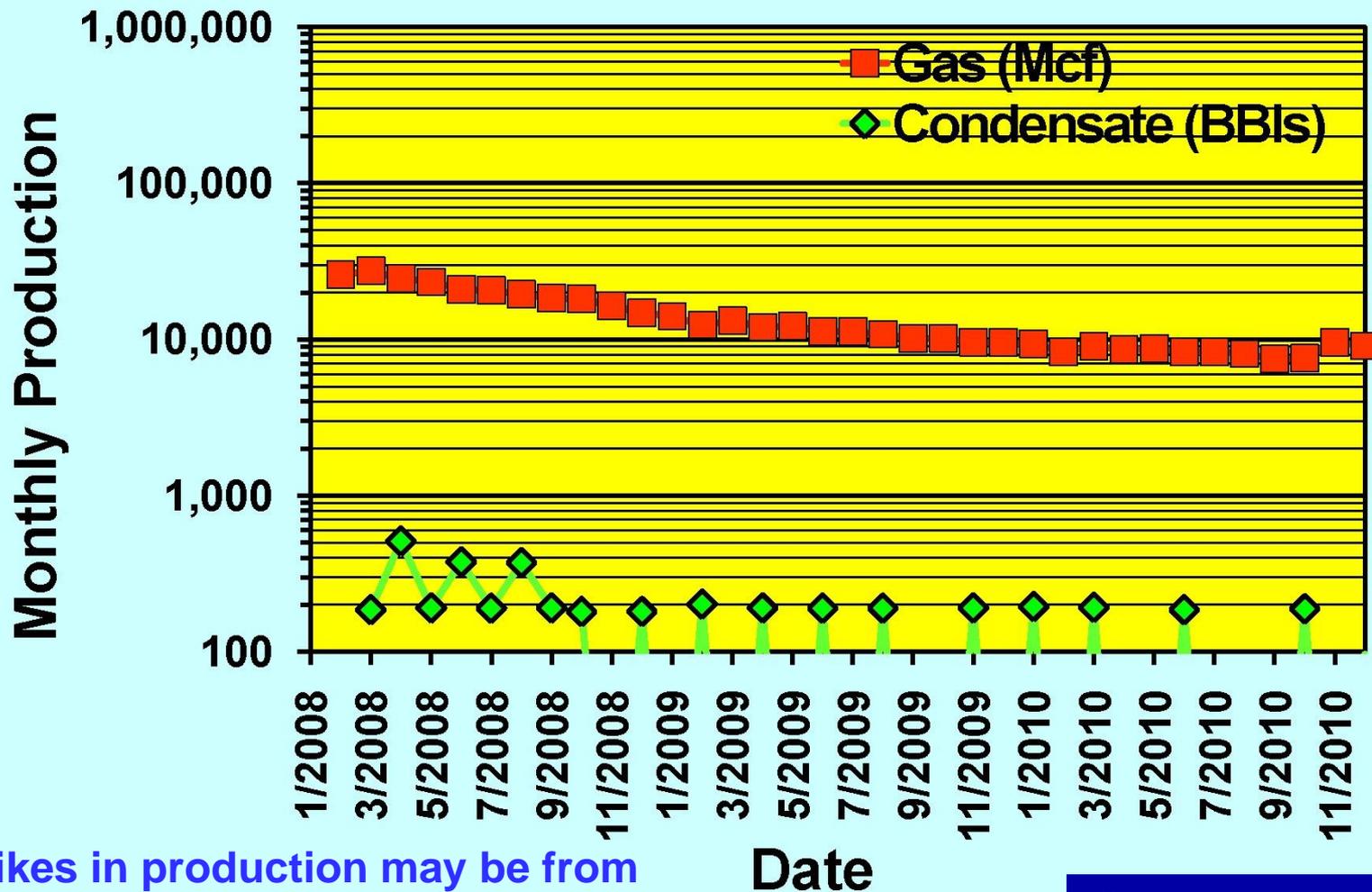
# (3) St. Mary Land & Exploration 3-14 Marvin (14-1N-10E; Coal Co.; IP 3,125 Mcfd)



Example of Woodford condensate produced later in well's life

1.67%VRo

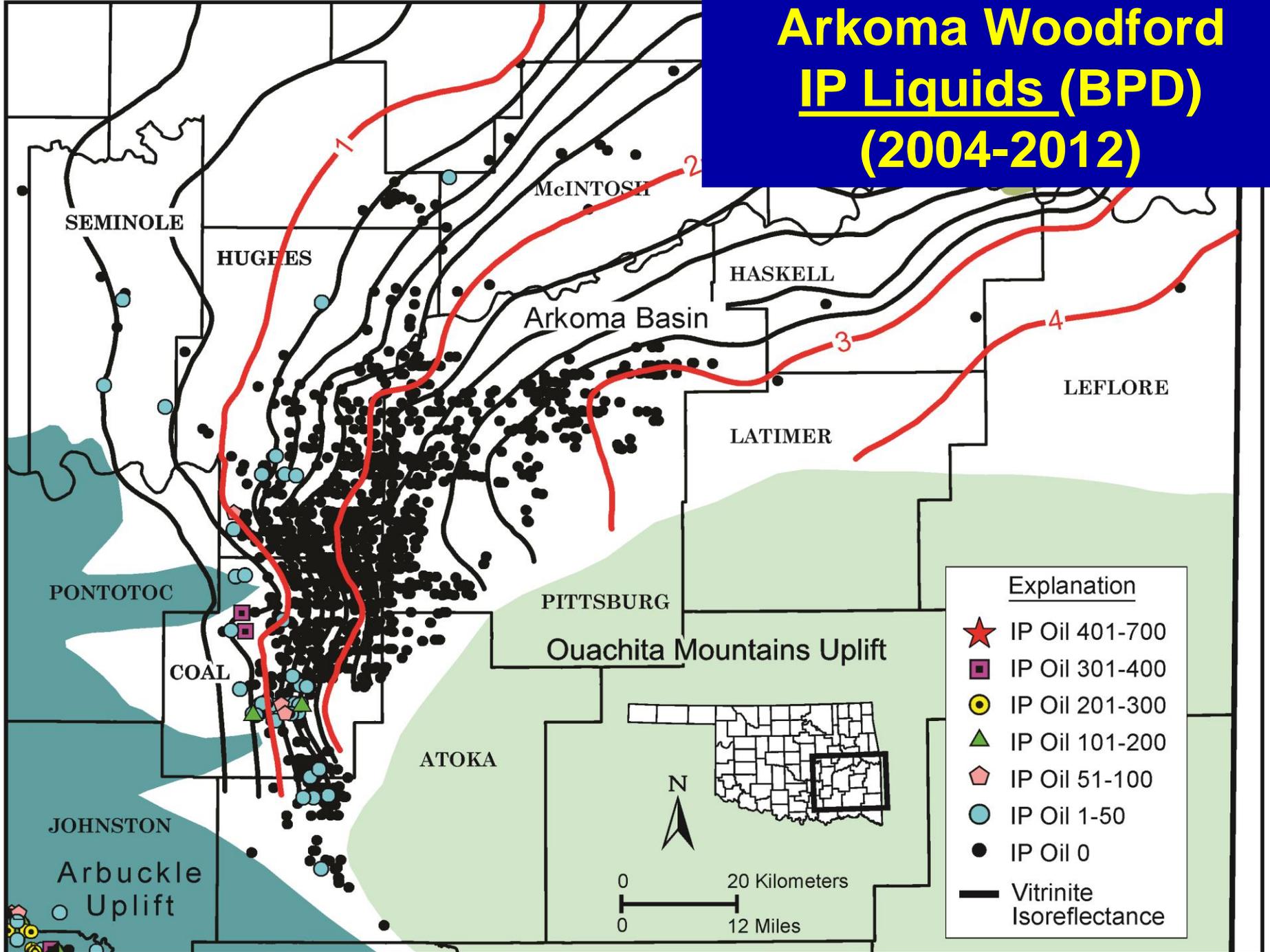
# (4) Antero 30-1H Harris (30-1S-11E; Coal Co.; IP 1,334 Mcfd)



Spikes in production may be from  
intermittent trucking

@ 1.6%VRo

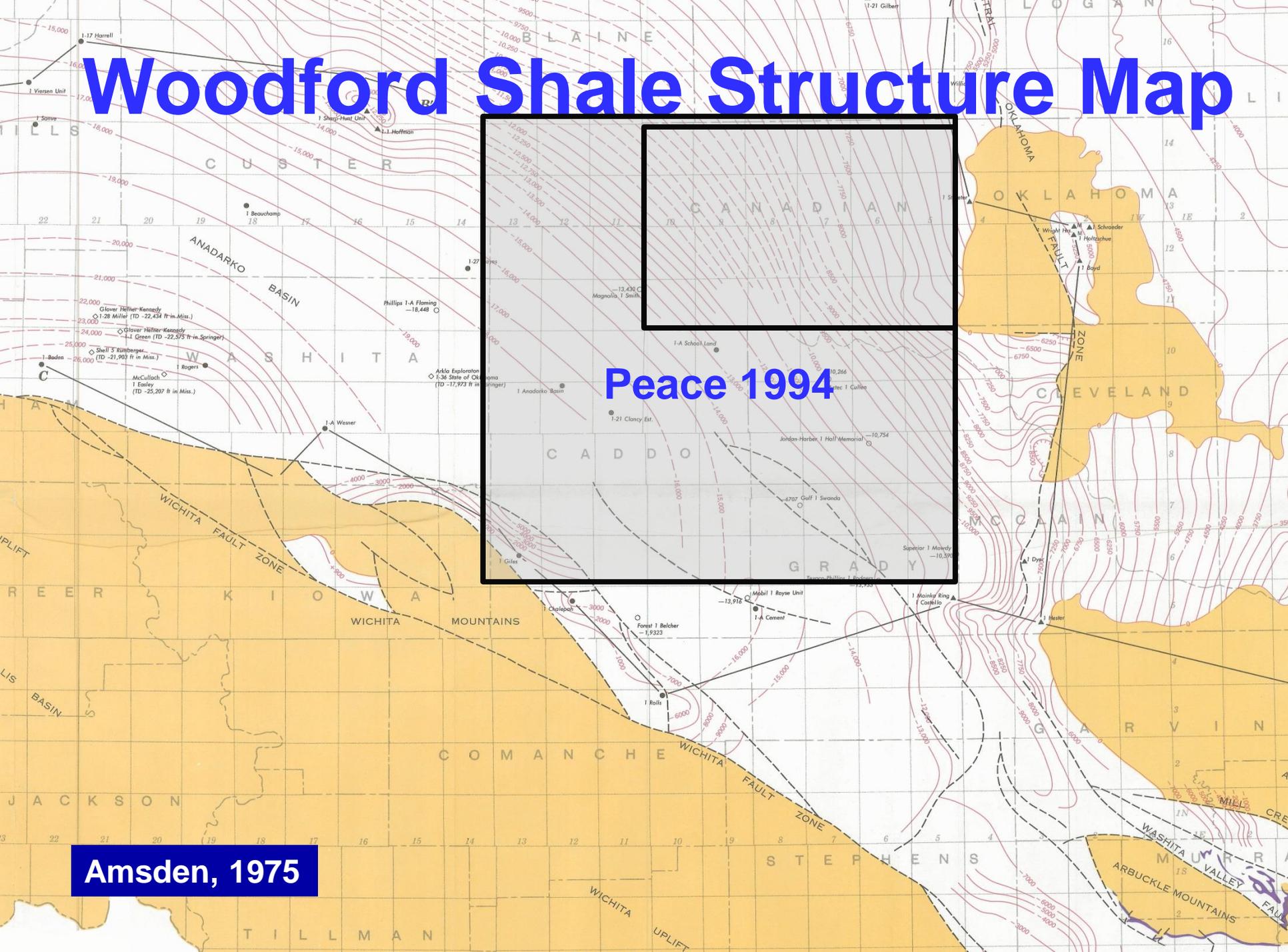
# Arkoma Woodford IP Liquids (BPD) (2004-2012)



# Woodford Shale Structure Map

Peace 1994

Amsden, 1975



R13W R12W R11W R10W R9W R8W R7W R6W R5W

# Woodford Shale Structure Map

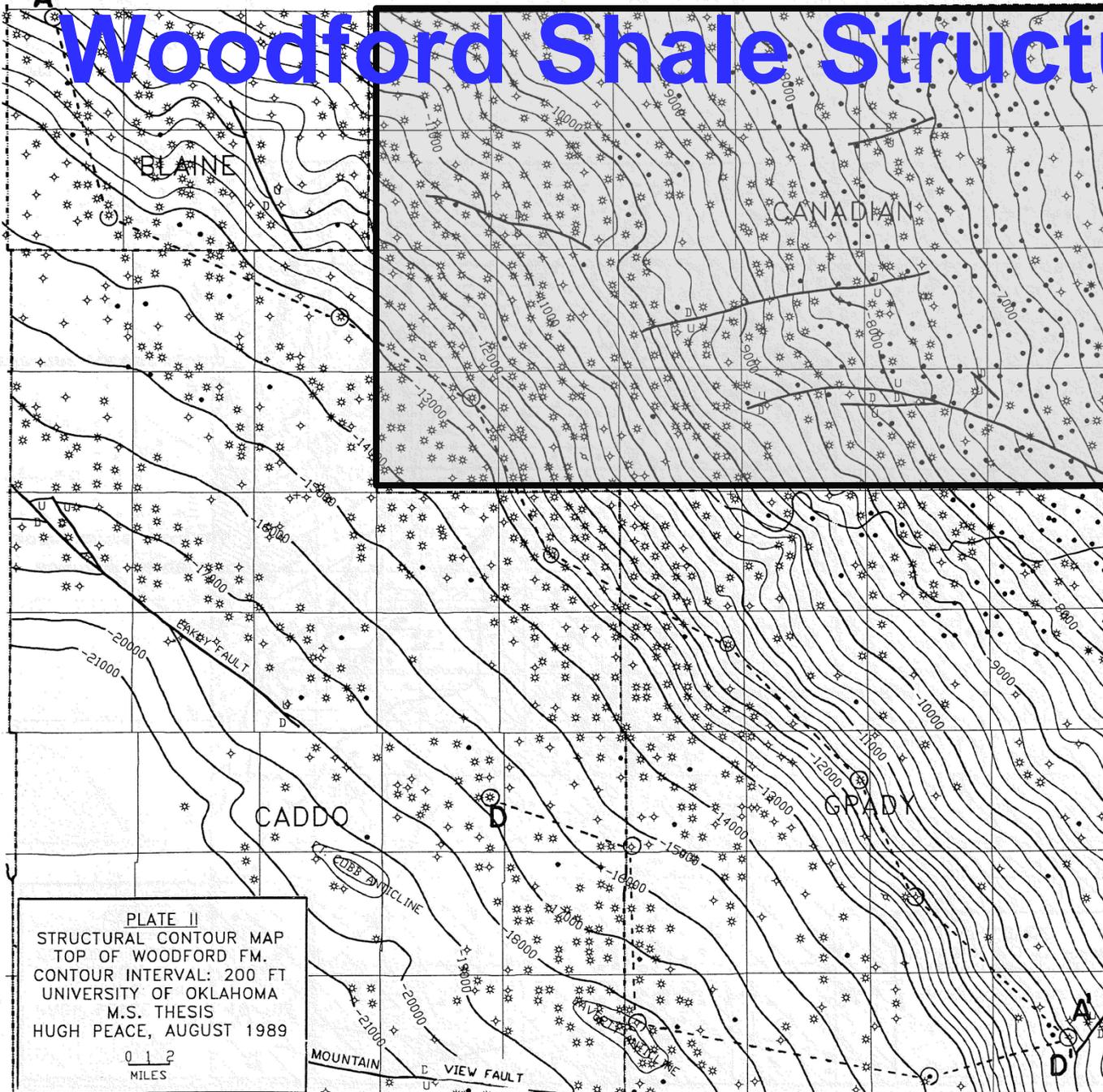
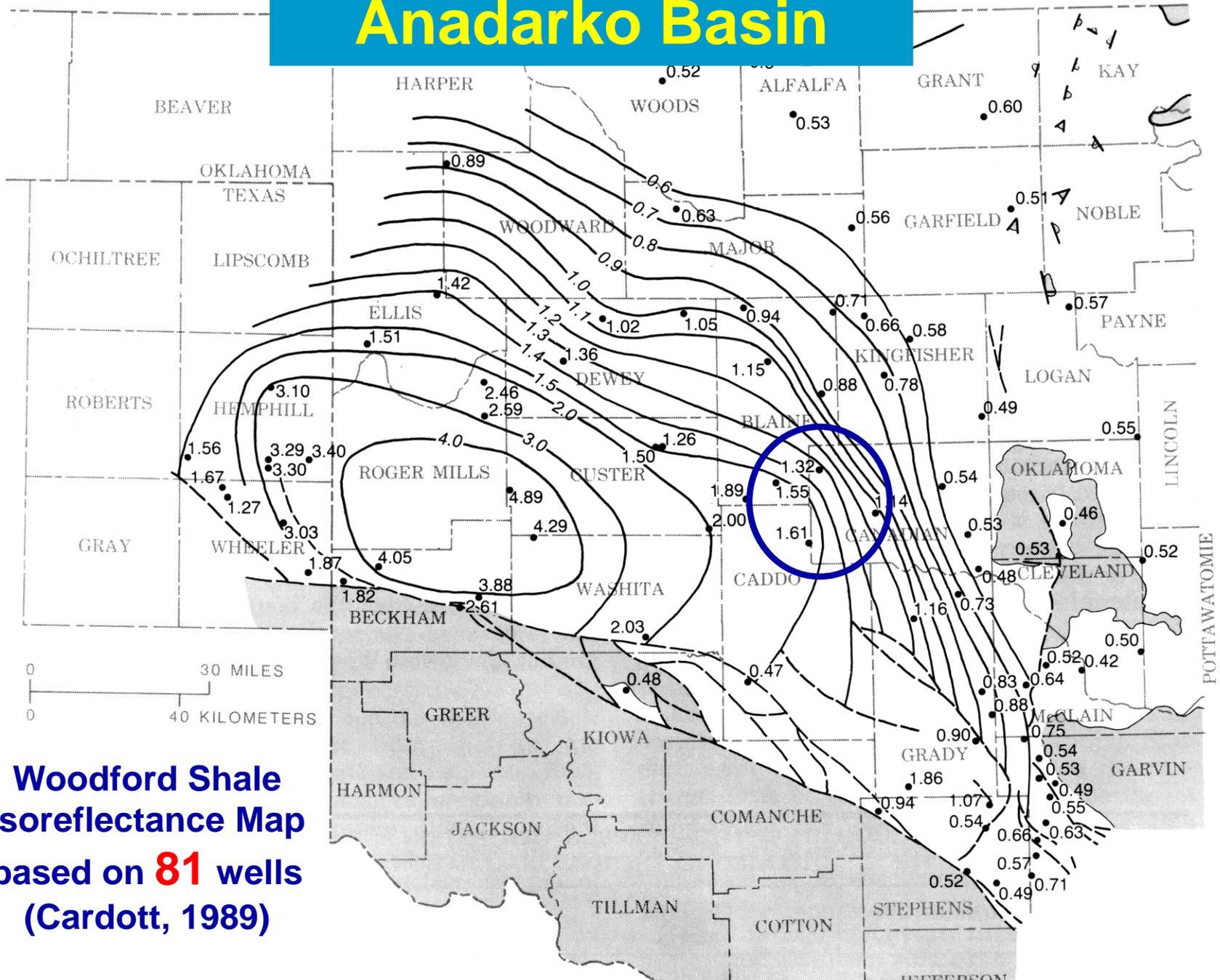


PLATE II  
 STRUCTURAL CONTOUR MAP  
 TOP OF WOODFORD FM.  
 CONTOUR INTERVAL: 200 FT  
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 M.S. THESIS  
 HUGH PEACE, AUGUST 1989

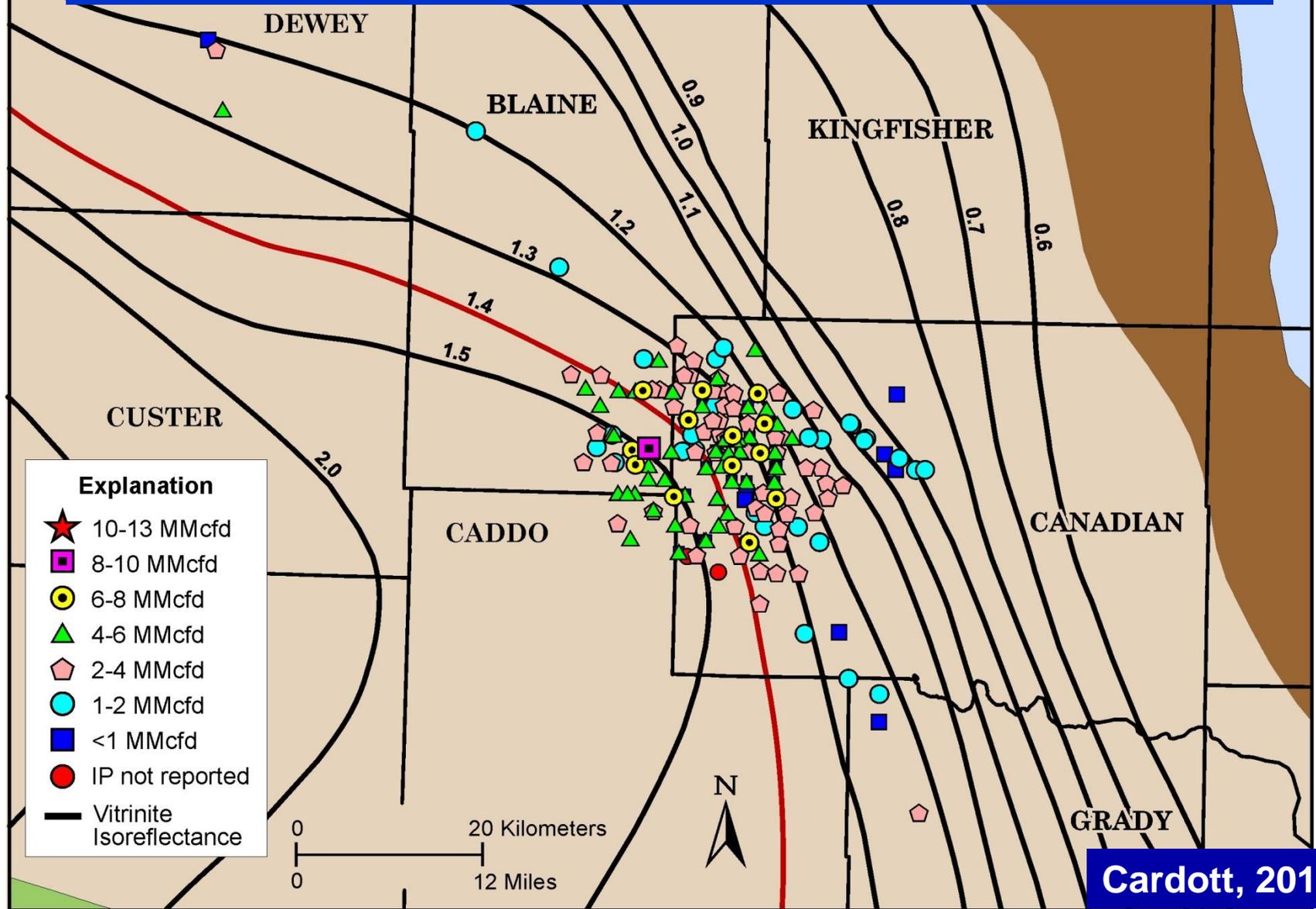
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# Anadarko Basin

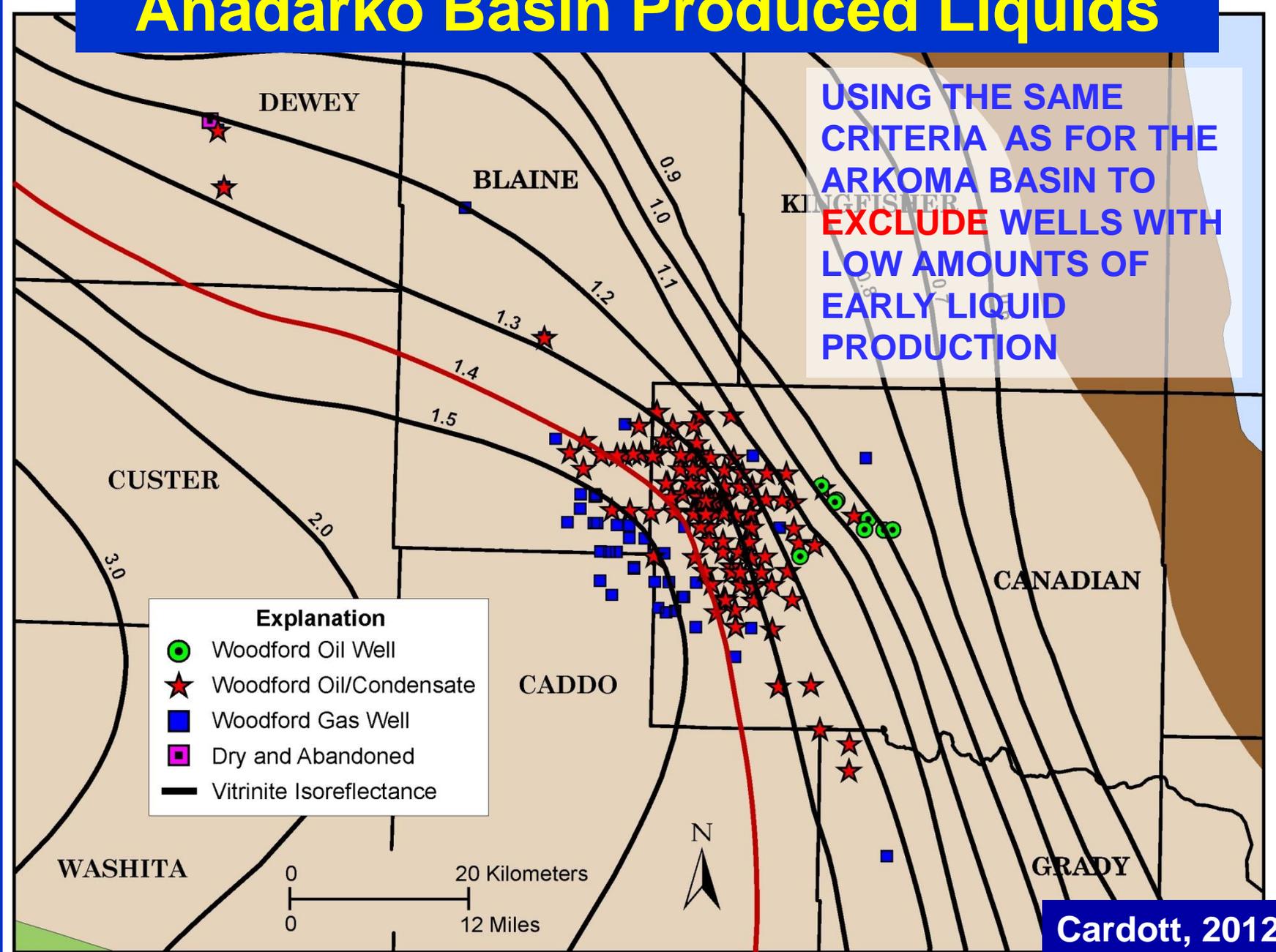


**Woodford Shale  
Isoreflectance Map  
based on 81 wells  
(Cardott, 1989)**

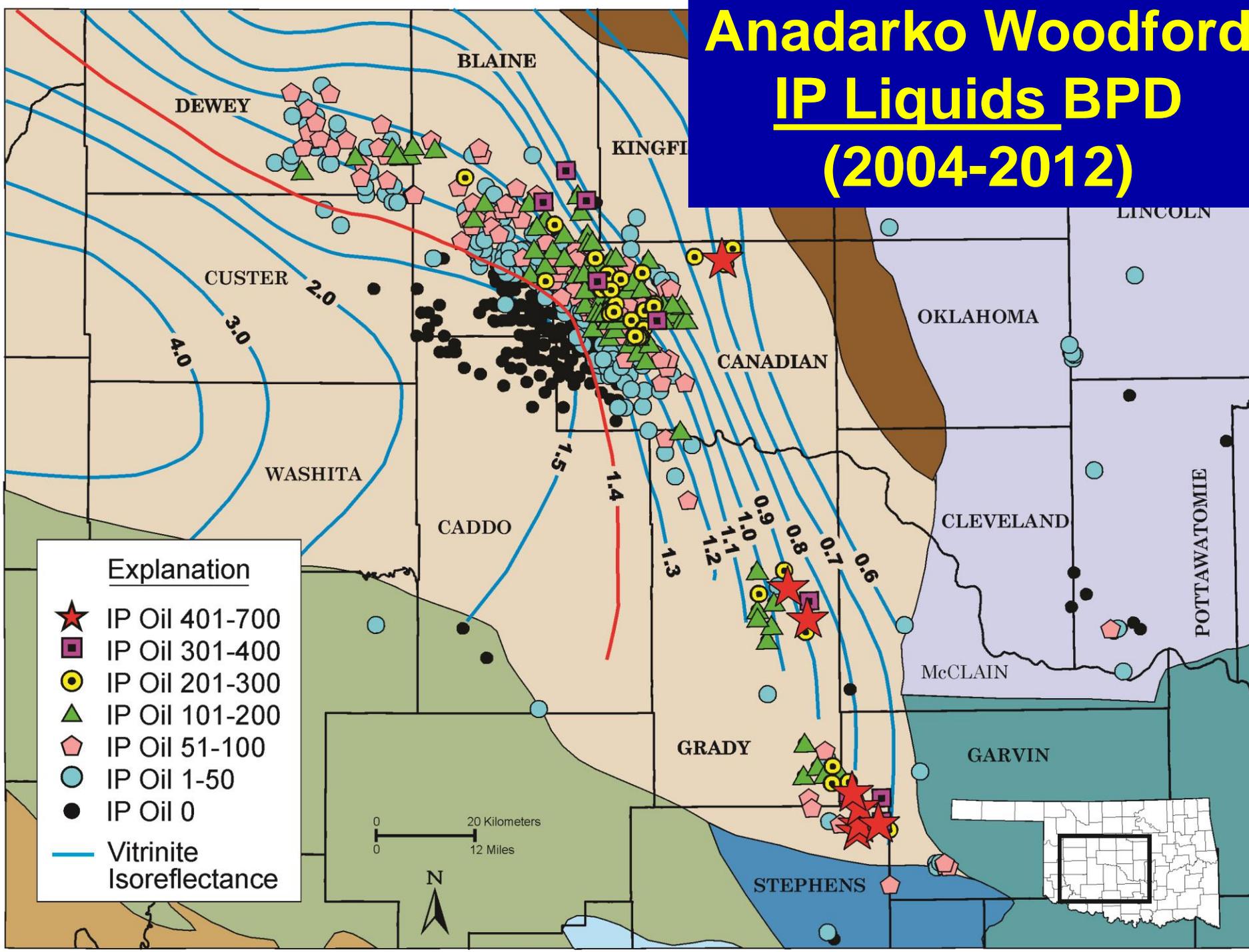
# Anadarko Basin Initial Potential ("Cana" Play Beginning in 2007)



# Anadarko Basin Produced Liquids



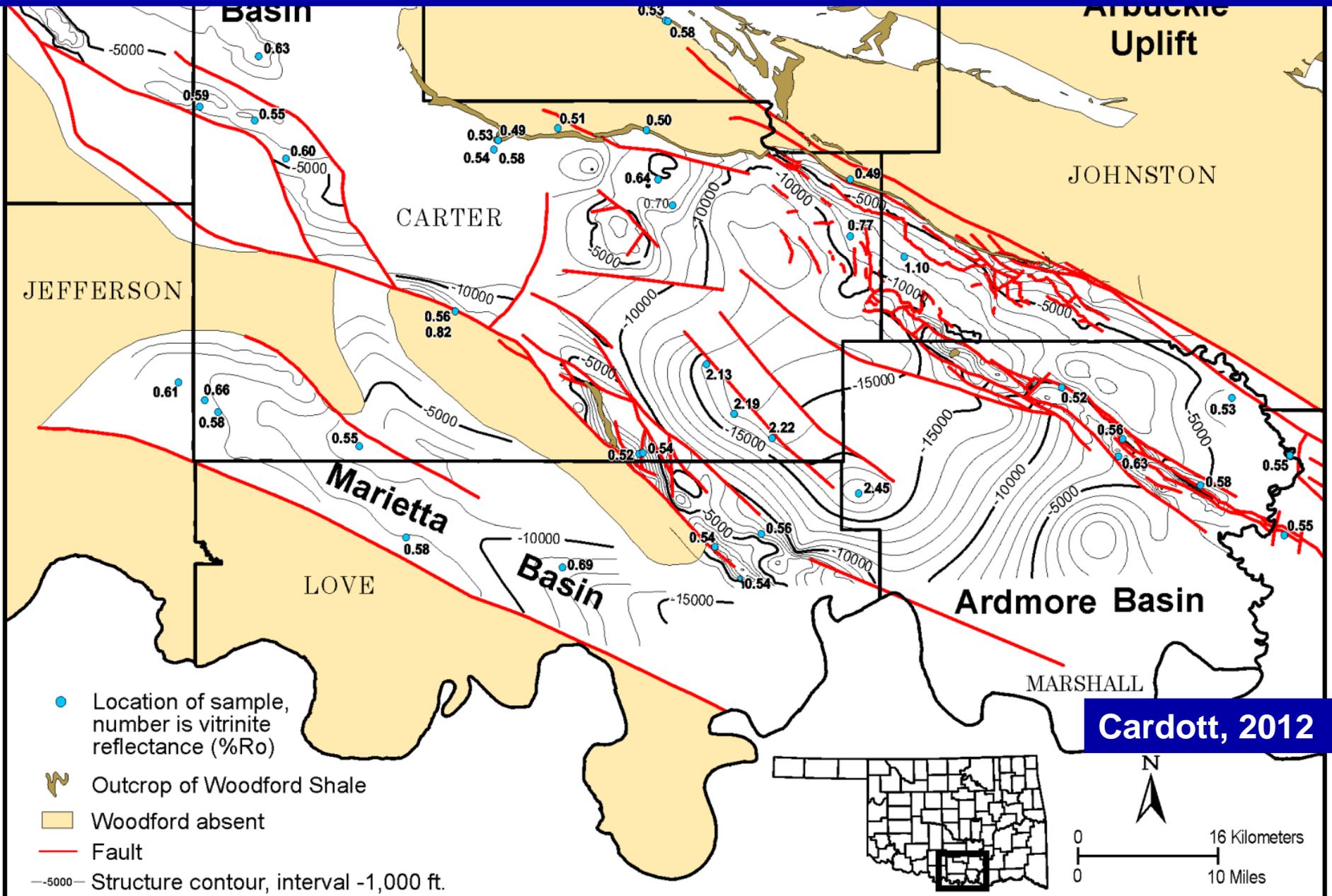
# Anadarko Woodford IP Liquids BPD (2004-2012)



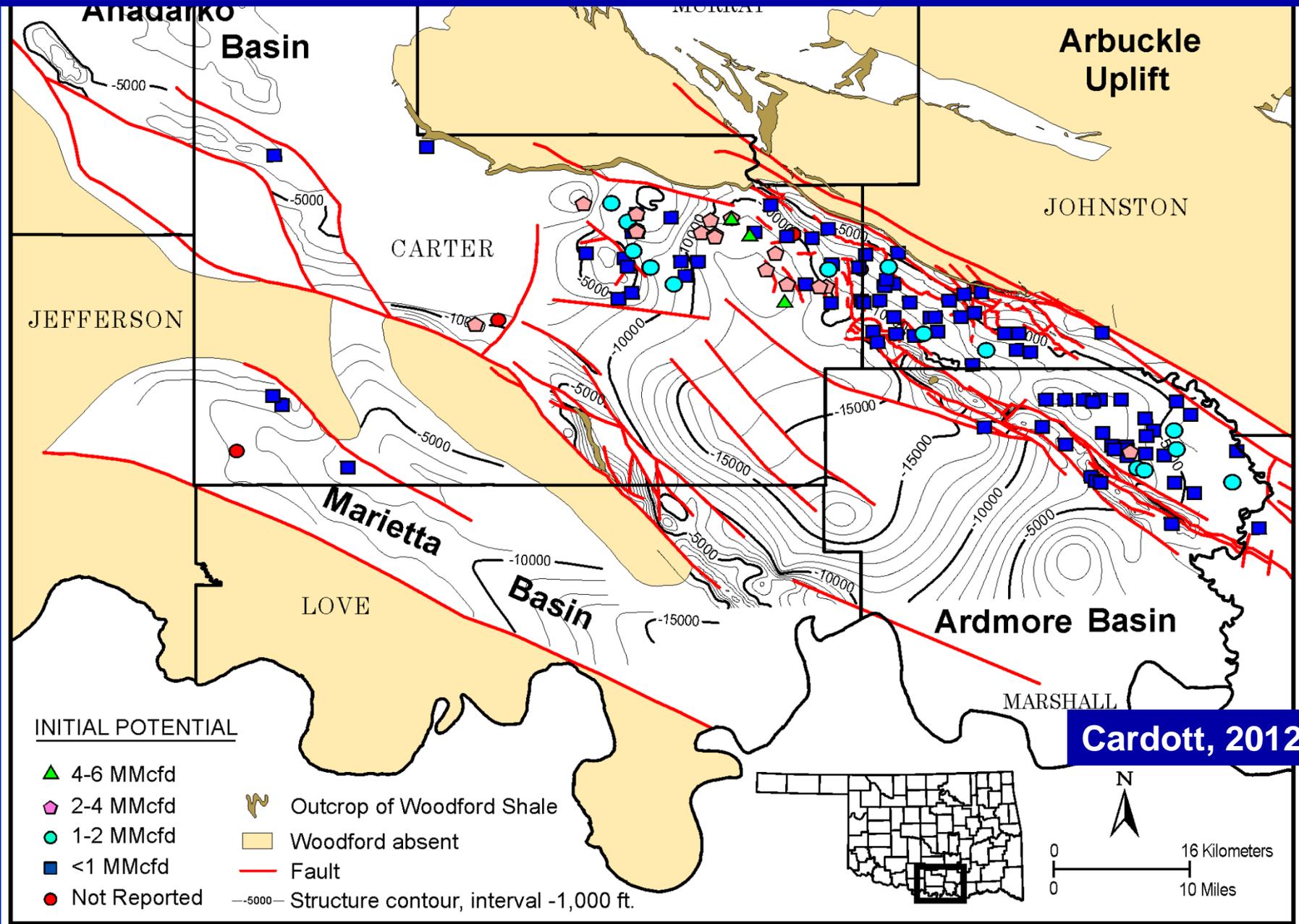
## Explanation

- ★ IP Oil 401-700
- ◻ IP Oil 301-400
- IP Oil 201-300
- ▲ IP Oil 101-200
- ◊ IP Oil 51-100
- IP Oil 1-50
- IP Oil 0
- Vitrinite Isoreflectance

# Woodford Shale VRo on Structure



# Woodford Shale IPs on Structure



# Shale Oil Plays

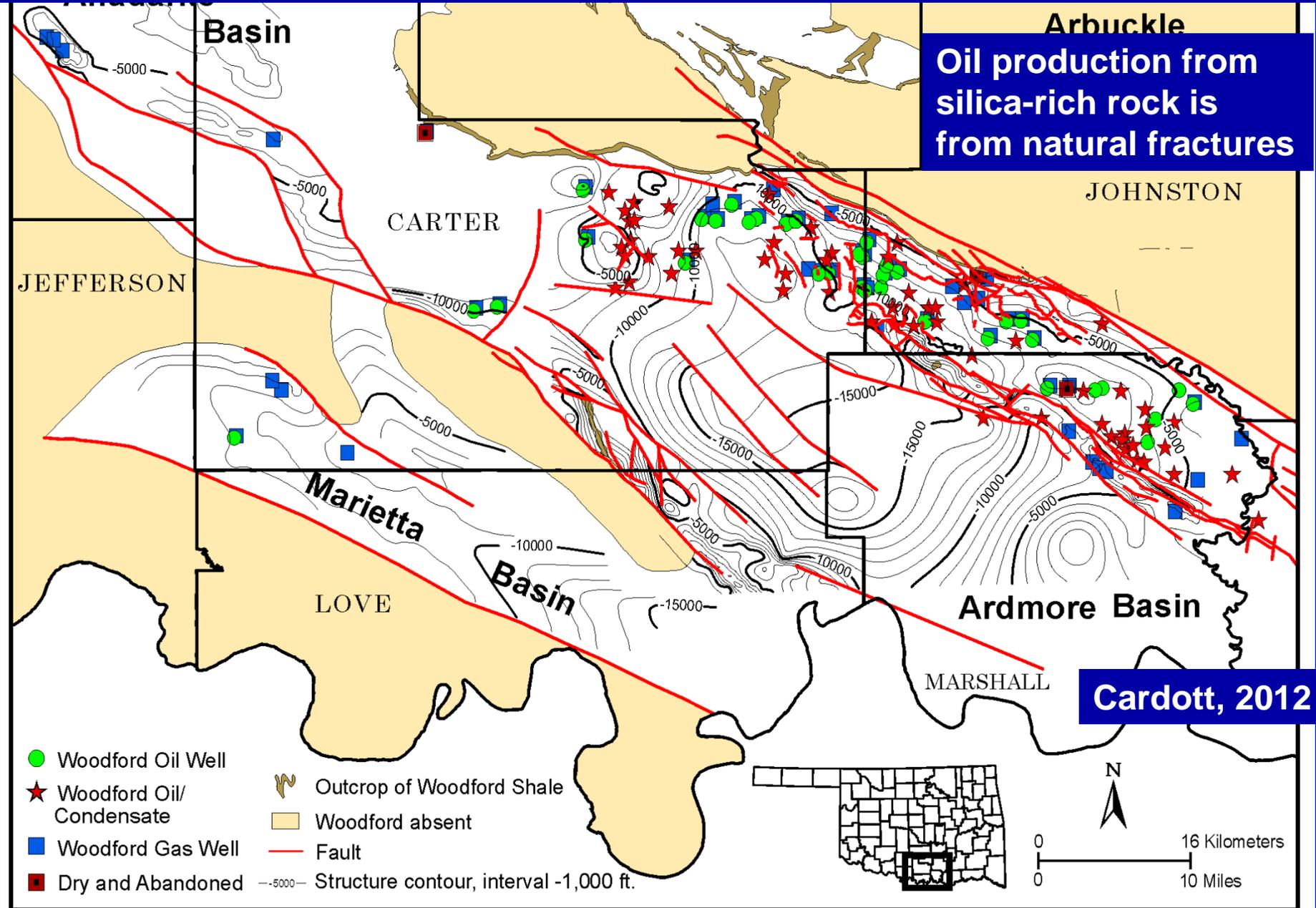
The Bakken Shale (Late Devonian-Early Mississippian; North Dakota & Montana) is the analog for shale oil plays. However, the reservoir of the Bakken is a permeable, non-shale middle member.

Other formations considered shale oil plays (mostly carbonates) are the Eagle Ford Shale (Late Cretaceous; Texas) and Niobrara Shale (Late Cretaceous; Rocky Mountains).

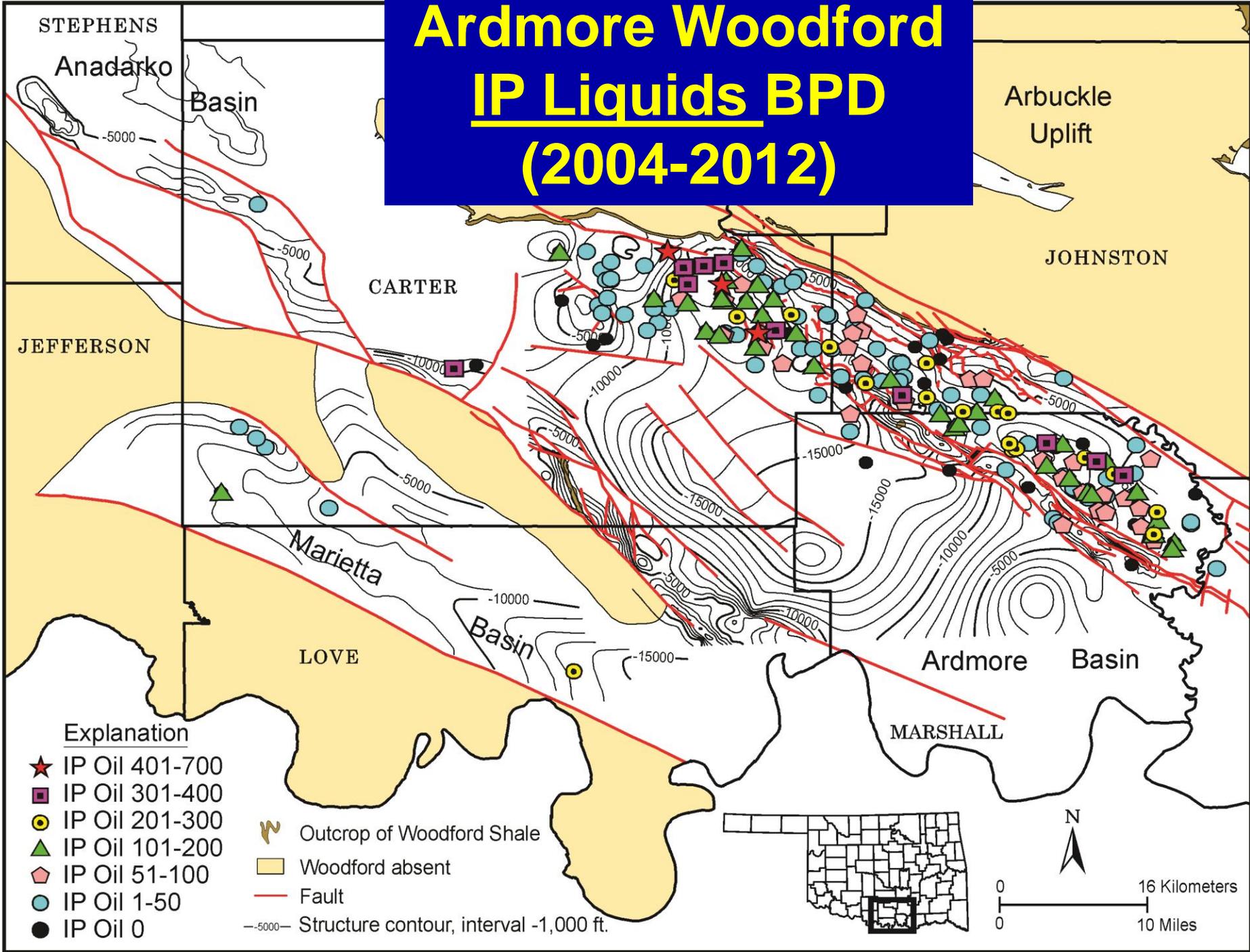
**“The preferred rock type for a shale-oil play is a hybrid—that is, a formation with a good mix of non-shale lithologies, particularly carbonates”**

(Darbonne, 2011)

# Woodford Production on Structure



# Ardmore Woodford IP Liquids BPD (2004-2012)





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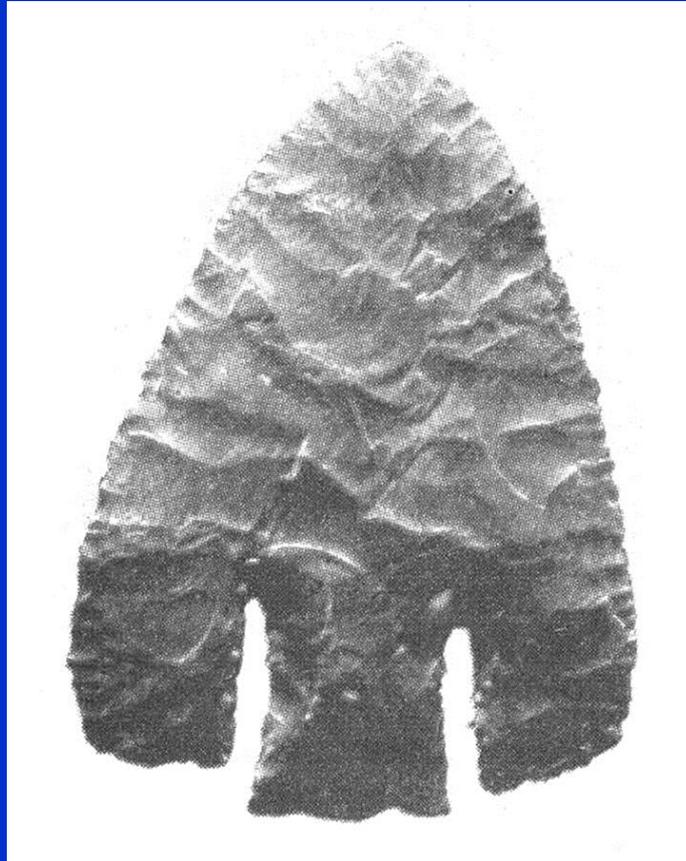
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3	1975 35-063-24373	Alta Natural Resources	9/9/2011	14-6H Brumby	Atwood S	14	5	N	9	E	SE	SW	SE	Hughes	Woodford	5272	52
4	1958 35-121-24476	BP America Production Company	9/7/2011	3-5H Powell	Ashland S	8	3	N	12	E	SW	NW	NE	Pittsburg	Woodford	8887	88
5	1976 35-121-24477	BP America Production Company	9/7/2011	4-5H Powell	Ashland S	8	3	N	12	E	SW	NW	NE	Pittsburg	Woodford	8912	89
6	1948 35-095-20552	XTO Energy	8/29/2011	1-5H Richardson	Aylesworth	8	6	S	7	E	NE	NW	NW	Marshall	Woodford	5723	57
7	1981 35-017-24142	QEP Energy	8/25/2011	3-30H Briscoe	Trend	30	13	N	10	W	SE	SE	SE	Canadian	Woodford	6	6
8	1991 35-029-21181	XTO Energy	8/24/2011	1-3H Hooe	Coalgate	10	1	N	11	E	NW	NE	NE	Coal	Woodford	1	1
9	1951 35-125-23701	West Star Operating	8/22/2011	1-12 Schoemann	Trousdale S	12	6	N	2	E	NE	SW	SE	e	Woodford	4423	46
10	1950 35-125-23692	West Star Operating	8/18/2011	2-7 West Star	Wanette	7	5	N	3	E	NW	SE	NW	e	Woodford	3865	38
11	1978 35-011-23270	Questar Exploration & Production	8/17/2011	1-13H Levi	Elm Grove	13	13	N	12	W	NE	NE	NW	Blaine	Woodford	0	0
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14	1945 35-121-24490	XTO Energy	8/14/2011	7-24H Morris	Pine Hollow S	24	5	N	12	E	NE	NW	NW	Pittsburg	Woodford	8521	85
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18	1933 35-119-23870	Calyx Energy Limited Liability	8/2/2011	16-1H State WFD	Mehan	21	18	N	3	E	NE	NW	NW	Payne	Woodford	4305	43
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29	1971 35-017-24174	Cimarex Energy	7/16/2011	1-29H Stroh	Trend	32	13	N	9	W	NE	NE	NE	Canadian	Woodford	7	7
30	1989 35-017-24257	Devon Energy	7/14/2011	1-32H Ricker	Trend	5	13	N	9	W	NE	NE	NW	Canadian	Woodford	9	9
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32	1944 35-011-23357	Devon Energy	7/8/2011	1-21H Neely	Trend	21	14	N	11	W	SW	SW	SW	Blaine	Woodford	3	3
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35	1932 35-011-23351	QEP Energy	7/6/2011	1-17H Cooper	Greenfield N	20	15	N	11	W	NE	NE	NE	Blaine	Woodford	4	4
36	1982 35-121-24465	Newfield Exploration	7/4/2011	6H-31Cunningham	Ashland	6	3	N	12	E	SE	NW	NW	Pittsburg	Woodford	8606	86
37	1957 35-117-23424	Mt. Dora Energy	7/3/2011	1-17 Wingo	Maramec	17	20	N	6	E	SE	NE	SE	Pawnee	Woodford	3442	34
38	1898 35-029-21148	BP America Production Company	7/1/2011	3-27H Walkup	Ashland	27	3	N	11	E	SE	SE	SW	Coal	Woodford	8370	83
39	1924 35-017-24224	Marathon Oil	7/1/2011	1-6H Base BIA	Trend	6	14	N	10	W	NE	NE	NE	Canadian	Woodford	1	1
40	1965 35-011-23327	Devon Energy	6/30/2011	1-29H Pinkerton	Fay E	29	15	N	12	W	NE	NE	NE	Blaine	Woodford	6	6
41	1917 35-121-24549	Petroquest Energy	6/27/2011	1-13H McAfee	Scipio NW	13	7	N	12	E	SW	SE	SE	Pittsburg	Woodford	5270	52
42	1969 35-017-24263	Devon Energy	6/25/2011	1-17H Annie May	Trend	17	12	N	9	W	SE	SE	SW	Canadian	Woodford	7	7
43	1899 35-029-21150	BP America Production Company	6/23/2011	4-27H Walkup	Ashland	27	3	N	11	E	SW	SW	SE	Coal	Woodford	8480	84

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