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The major stratigraphic units on the 1:1 000 000 map of Papua New Guinea published by BMR in 1972 are divided into their constituent units mapped at the 1:250 000 scale. Age, thickness, 1:250 000 Sheet area distribution, lithology, and additional data of each of the constituent units are tabulated for the nine regional subdivisions defined on the 1:1 000 000 map. Stratigraphies for most of the Sheet areas in Papua New Guinea have been finalized, but data for some of them are lacking or incomplete - especially in the southwest mainland; in one Sheet area on the Papuan peninsula; and on islands northwest of the Admiralty Islands and northwest and east of New Ireland - and for others are subject to revision.

INTRODUCTION

This compilation presents in tabular form all the currently available information on the stratigraphy of Papua New Guinea. Almost all the data were compiled from publications (or their drafts) of the Bureau of Mineral Resources (BMR): Explanatory Notes, which accompany the 1:250 000 geological maps; Reports; and Bulletins. The framework of the compilation follows that used in the 1:1 000 000 geological map of Papua New Guinea published in 1972, so the tables cannot be fully utilized without reference to that map.

Of the seventy 1:250 000 Sheet areas covering Papua New Guinea, at the time of writing about 50 (which incidentally cover most of the land surface) have been mapped, and maps of part or all of 24 of them are now published. Maps of most of the remaining Sheet areas have been compiled, and dyelines of them are available on request to BMR or the Geological Survey of Papua New Guinea.

Since the 1:1 000 000 map was compiled in 1971 more mapping has been completed, and understandably there are some discrepancies between that map and the more-recently compiled 1:250 000 Sheets.

The stratigraphic tables below describe in some detail the composition of the generalized units into which the strata have been subdivided on the 1:1 000 000 map. These units are here referred to as major units so as to distinguish them from the specific map units of the individual 1:250 000 Sheets.

The tables are divided into nine sets, each set representing one of the nine regions into which the country was originally divided for the purpose of the presentation of its

geology. The boundaries of these regions are shown on an inset map at the right-hand bottom corner of the 1:1 000 000 map (see also Fig. 1).

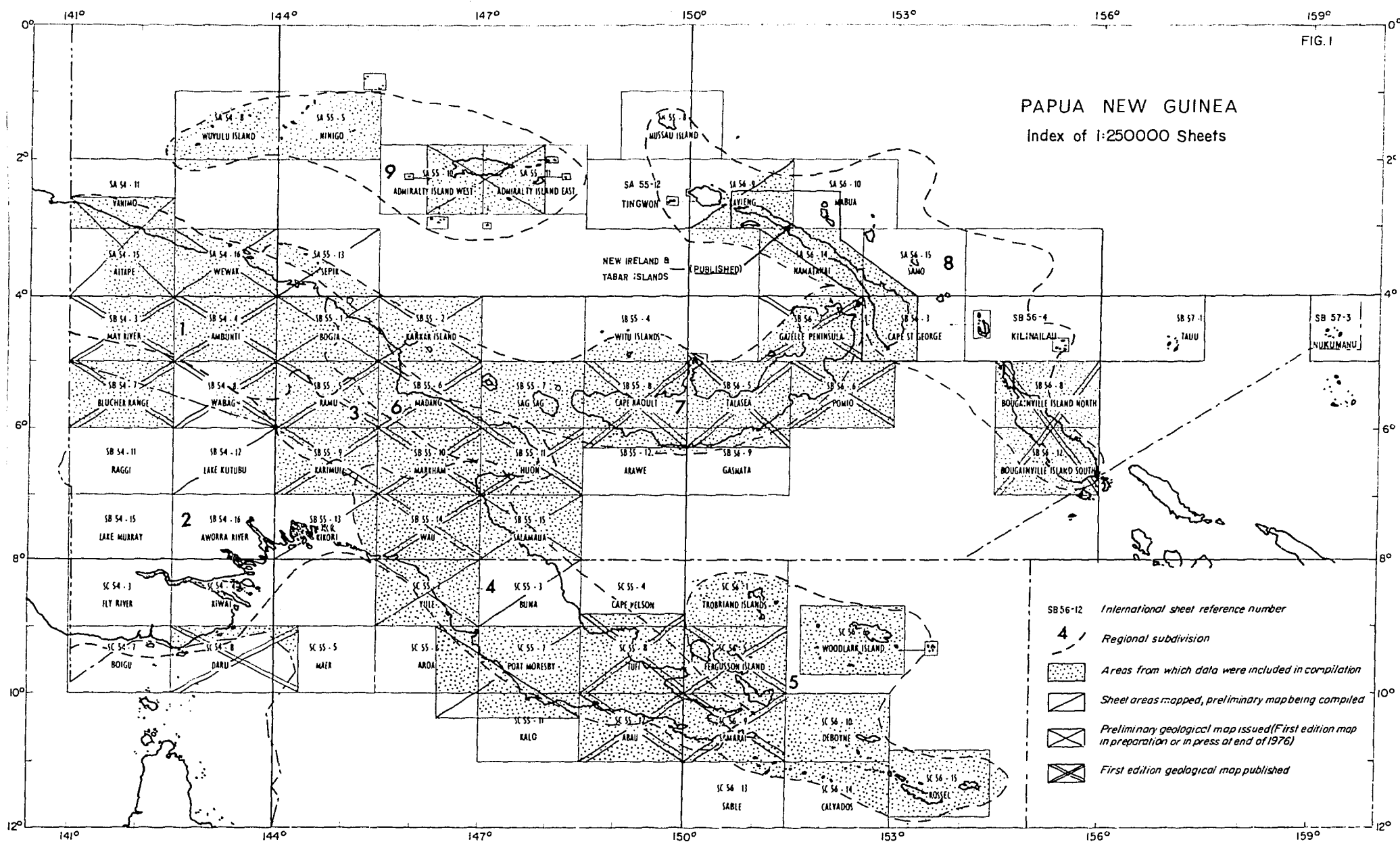
Tables for each region are subdivided into six vertical columns which describe each major unit in turn under the headings of 'Age', '1M map unit', 'Constituent unit(s) in 1:250 000 Sheet areas', 'Thickress', 'Lithology', and 'Additional pertinent data'.

Under 'Age' are listed ages assigned to individual major units in the Reference of the 1:1 000 000 map.

In the second column, under '1M map unit', are listed, in reverse chronological order (youngest at the top), the successive major stratigraphic units for the particular region of the 1:1 000 000 map.

The third column lists - by name and map symbol, or, where no name has been assigned, by map symbol only, or by a brief description and a symbol - units mapped in 1:250 000 Sheet areas or other large-scale map areas which have been incorporated into the major units. Many of the names listed are informal and should not, at least for a time, be used outside this compilation; the status of each name is shown in Index 1. Where known, the age ranges* of the stratigraphic units are also quoted. Units which, whether because of incompatible lithology, or age, or environment in which they formed, do not fit in a major unit but are not differentiated from it on the 1:1 000 000 map because of their small size are adequately referred to below the description of each major unit.

*The abbreviations 'e' (early) and 'l' (late) have been used for the finer age subdivisions of stratigraphic units in the stratigraphic tables.



Known thicknesses are quoted in metres in the fourth column. Where available, the maximum, minimum, and average thicknesses are given, as are directions of thickening or thinning; approximate or estimated values are denoted by 'c'.

For the sake of brevity, the colour of a rock, which must be of doubtful value because of the absence of a standard colour chart, is omitted from the description of lithology in column five.

Detailed chemical analyses of constituent units are also omitted for the sake of brevity, but, where they are included in the explanatory notes on a 1:250 000 Sheet area, their existence is indicated by an asterisk at the end of the lithological description of the constituent unit. The generalized distribution of a given unit, as well as the variation in its lithology from one Sheet area to another where known, is clearly marked, but once again for the sake of brevity, both in the 'Lithology' and 'Additional pertinent data' columns, the words 'Sheet' or 'Sheet area' have been omitted; thus 'In the Madang 1:250 000 Sheet area.....' has been abbreviated to 'In Madang.....'.

The sixth and last column lists all the pertinent data additional to those already given in the preceding columns.

These, where available, are: environment of formation, genetic and/or stratigraphic relations, fossil dating media, fossil content, age (when age closer than that of a stage is known), absolute age and method used, mineralization, and economic content or potential. For greater brevity, names of stratigraphic units have been shortened, where practicable, according to the system of abbreviation commonly used by BMR - a system which follows closely that of the Shell Petroleum Company. A key to the abbreviations used in the last column is in Appendix 1.

Gaps in the information in the tables are partly shown on the accompanying map (Fig. 1). Some Sheet areas are not represented at all, whilst data from others are subject to revision:

Region 1: Sheet areas and parts of Sheet areas not represented are Sepik, western May River, and western Wabag, all of which, however, have been fairly recently mapped; data from Vanimo, Aitape, and Wewak were compiled recently and are thus subject to revision.

Region 2: Sheet areas not represented are Boigu, Fly River, Kiwai, Lake Murray, Aworra River, Kikori, Raggi, Lake Kutubu, and part of Wabag. Of these, only Lake Kutubu and Kikori were recently mapped, and much of the rest of the area is covered by flat-lying Quaternary sediments.

Region 4: Buna Sheet area is not represented; information from Salamaua Sheet area is subject to revision.

Region 6: Data from the recently mapped Bogia Sheet area are subject to revision.

Region 8: Mussau and islands northeast of New Ireland are not represented.

SEPIK-RAMU REGION (1)

Age	1M map unit	Constituent unit(s) in 1:250 000 Sheet areas	Thickness (m)	Lithology	Additional pertinent data
Quaternary	Qa ¹	<u>Qa</u> Pleistocene-Holocene (At least partly included in Qs ¹ , Tmu ¹ , Jt ¹)		AITAPE, BOGIA, VANIMO, WEWAK: Alluvium: gravel, sand, silt, mud MAY RIVER, AMBUNTI: also peat, tuffaceous sand	Locally disconf on Neumayer Beds and Wosera Beds; unconf on all older fms; grades later into Qm and Qc; includes some Qm, Qs. Source of gv
		<u>Qm, Qha</u> Pleistocene-Holocene	to 50 in Wewak; to 10 in Vanimo and Aitape	AITAPE, VANIMO, WEWAK, RAMU: Beach sand: lithic and calcareous sand, silt; minor gravel, beach rock	Grades later into Qa inland; unconf on Bliri Volc in Aitape, on Qc and Wirui Lst at Wewak, and on Serra Hills Lst in Vanimo. Source of building sand; provides well drained stable land for village and airstrip constr
		<u>Qr</u> Quaternary		SE AMBUNTI: Raised alluvial deposits of fine alluvium and sandy sediments	Uplifted 9 m, possibly by recent movement on Jimi Fault
		<u>Qs</u> Pleistocene-Holocene		VANIMO: Colluvium: chaotic deposits of angular to rounded rock fragments	Intramontane valley fill and areas of closed drainage in karst terrain
		<u>Qc</u> Pleistocene-Holocene (At least partly included in Qs ¹)	to 50 in Wewak	VANIMO, WEWAK: Raised reef: corallgal reef limestone, biosparite, foraminiferal limestone, sand	Low part probably equiv of Wirui Lst, grades later into large terraces of Neumayer Beds; up part grades later into Qa; unconf on Puwani Lst, Bliri Volc; probably unconf on Serra Hills Lst. Age from larger benthic foram and physical properties. Source of road metal; provides stable, well drained land for constr; potential source of lime
		<u>Wirui Limestone</u> (Qpr) Pleistocene-Holocene (At least partly in Tmu ¹ , KuTe ¹)	to 100	WEWAK: Corallgal reef limestone, algal-foraminiferal biosparite; minor marl, calcareous foraminiferal siltstone, tufa	Equiv? to up part of Serra Hills Lst and low part of Qc in Vanimo; later? equiv of Wosera Beds, and possibly Ulahau Fgl; corr? of Wandokai Lst in Bogia and Madang, and older coral terraces in NE Huon; disconf and unconf? on Wewak Beds, Maprik Mdst; unconf on Torricelli Intr Comp, Bliri Volc. Age from

Qa¹

(contd)

larger foram; calc tufa locally contains leaf impressions. Quarried for road constr material; suitable as foundation material; good aquifer, but subjected to salt-water encroachment near coast at times of drought

Units not differentiated, at least in part, from Qa¹ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Aitape: Pleist Neumayer Beds and Wosera Beds, and Plio-Pleist Wuro Beds (see Qs¹); 1 Plio-Pleist Serra Hills Lst, 1 Plio? Romi Fm, and Plio Rofula Mem (see Tp¹); 1 Mio-e Plio Barida Beds (see Tmu¹); and 1 Eo Dimaie Volc, and L Cret-Eo Ambunti Metam (see KuTe¹). In Vanimo: 1 Plio-Pleist Serra Hills Lst and 1 Plio? Romi Fm (see Tp¹); e-1 Mio Senu Beds and 1 Mio-e Plio Barida Beds (see Tmu¹); and e-m Mio Puwani Lst (see Tmm¹). In Wewak: Plio-Pleist Wuro Beds (see Qs¹); 1 Plio? Romi Fm (see Tp¹); and 1 Mio-e Plio Barida Beds (see Tmu¹).

Qs¹

Qf, Qr, Qp
Quaternary

BOGIA, RAMU: Poorly consolidated sandstone, siltstone, mudstone, raised alluvium; clastic boulder deposits, poorly sorted gravel, sand, silt, clay

Quaternary

Wosera Beds
(Qpw)
Pleistocene
(At least partly included in Qa¹)

AITAPE, WEWAK: Carbonaceous and ferruginous gravel, ironstained micaceous sand, sandy clay, peat, ironstone concretions; some laterite

Non-marine, fluv, low-angle alluv fans dep by ancestors of present major rivers. In Aitape, non-conf on Wuro Beds; unconf on Sibi Sst Mem, Nopan Sst, and older fms. In Wewak, probably contemp with Neumayer Beds to N; non-conf on Wuro Beds, Maprik Mdst. Age from degree of dissection and superpos. Source of gv for road constr; suitable for village sites and road alignments.

Neumayer Beds
(Qpn)
Pleistocene
(At least partly included in Qa¹, Tmu¹)

30-120? in Vanimo; AITAPE, VANIMO, WEWAK: Poorly consolidated gravel, sand, silt

Estuarine and non-marine fluv dep; unconf on Bulimp Fm, Romi Fm, Bewani Fm, Barida Beds, Senu Beds, Wewak Beds, Torricelli Intr Comp; probably contemp with Wosera Beds. Some horizons with marine and estuarine molluscs; human skull frag in one place. Age from superpos and degree of dissection. Source of gv; well drained - suitable for village sites and airstrip constr

Qs ¹ (contd)	<u>Ulahau Fanglomerate</u> (TQu) Pliocene?-Pleistocene? (At least partly included in Tmm ¹ , Tml)	150?+	WEWAK: Fanglomerate: unsorted angular to rounded cobbles in unsorted, kaolinized, arkosic lithic sandstone matrix	Originated in non-marine fluv, and subaerial intramontane envir. Unconf on Prince Alexander Comp, Amogu Cgl, and Sargum Cgl in type area; possibly locally unconf on Mount Turu Comp; locally unconf on Wewak Beds. Age from superpos and equiv with Wirui Lst. Abd plant hash at some horizons. Where tested contains little or no Au
	<u>Wuro Beds</u> (TQw) Pliocene-Pleistocene (At least partly included in Qa ¹)	800-900 in Aitape; probably to 200 in Wewak	AITAPE, WEWAK: Poorly consolidated lithic sandstone, carbonaceous siltstone, mudstone	Dep in estuarine, intertidal, and non-marine envir during final regressive phase in Lumi Trough. In Aitape, non-conf overlain by Wosera Beds; conf on Sibi Sst Mem, Nopan Sst; overlaps unconf on Senu Beds locally; age from plank for- am and superpos; minor lignite seams; some root struc, leaf imprints, carb logs. In Wewak, probably entirely marine where grades into Maprik Mdst; unconf on Prince Alexander Comp, Amogu Cgl, Sargum Cgl, Wewak Beds; appears to infill former valleys in Wewak Beds and Prince Alexander Comp; age from superpos and equiv? with Wirui Lst; where tested contains little or no Au
	<u>Nopan Sandstone</u> (TQn) 1 Pliocene-Pleistocene (At least partly included in Tml)	to 1970 in Aitape; probably less than 500 in Wewak	AITAPE: Alternating lithic sandstone and siltstone; poorly consolidated fine to coarse silty lithic sandstone with conglomeratic horizons and minor calcareous cemented beds, laminated carbonaceous siltstone, and sandy siltstone; sporadic large concretionary nodules WEWAK: Poorly consolidated fine sandstone, siltstone, mudstone; partly micaceous, carbonaceous, or bioturbated; partly calcareous with shelly horizons	Probably dep in shallow marginal marine envir with access to open ocean; locally in intertidal and fluv envir; becomes completely marine where grades into Maprik Mdst. Conf below Wuro Beds; conf on Maprik Mdst. In Aitape unconf below Wosera Beds; conf on Nanu Fm, Gwenif Fm in E; non-conf on Gwenif Fm, Lumi Fm, Senu Beds in centre and W; disconf and unconf on Fuk Beds. Contains shelly horizons in Wewak. Dated by foram (1 N20-21). Thin lignite seams present

Qs¹

(contd)

Sibi Sandstone Member 400 at type
(of Nopan Sandstone) section
(TQns)

1 Pliocene?-Pleistocene

AITAPE: Alternating silty, very carbonaceous, in places pebbly, lithic sandstone and laminated sandy siltstone

Possibly non-marine fluv dep; high concentrations of lignite indicate a strong terr influence. Conf on Nopan Sst, and either thins or grades into Nopan Sst later; conf below Wuro Beds; unconf below Wosera Beds. Age from superpos

Units not differentiated, at least in part, from Qs¹ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Vanimo: Pleist-Holo Qc (see Qa¹); and 1 Plio-Pleist Serra Hills Lst and Bulimp Fm, 1 Plio? Romi Fm, and Plio Bewani Fm (see Tp¹). In Aitape: Pleist-Holo Qa (see Qa¹); 1 Plio-Pleist Serra Hills Lst, 1 Plio Maprik Mdst, 1 Plio? Romi Fm, Plio Bewani Fm, Neni Fm, Rofula Mem, Tumoflu Mdst Mem, Nengare Mem, Fuk Beds, and Gwenif Fm (see Tp¹). In Wewak: Pleist-Holo Qa (see Qa¹); and Plio-Pleist? Maprik Mdst, Plio Wewak Beds, and 1 Plio? Romi Fm (see Tp¹).

Tp¹

Serra Hills Limestone
(TQ1)

1 Pliocene-Pleistocene
(At least partly included in Qa¹, Qs¹, Tmu¹)

240 in Vanimo;
to 180 in Aitape

AITAPE, VANIMO: Coral-reef limestone, biosparite, biomicritic chalk; marl; minor sandstone, siltstone at base

Dep in deep-water marine basin in S, which graded into shallow water; coral-reef platform at one place. Conf on Romi Fm; low part equiv of Romi Fm and possibly Bulimp Fm; unconf on Barida Beds, Senu Beds, Puwani Lst, Bliri Volc, Torricelli Intr Comp. In Aitape dated as 1 N20-21 to Pleist by plank foram

Bulimp Formation
(TQb)

1 Pliocene?-Pleistocene?
(At least partly included in Qs¹, Tmu¹)

to 1600

VANIMO: Well rounded to subrounded pebble conglomerate; minor siltstone and mudstone

Includes non-marine piedmont dep, and shows signs of marine incursion. Locally conf on Serra Hills Lst

Romi Formation
(TPr)

1 Pliocene?
(At least partly included in Qa¹, Qs¹, Tmu¹)

0-700;
probably 200 in
Wewak

VANIMO, AITAPE, WEWAK: Foraminiferal mudstone, marl, thin limestone, siltstone with coquinal lenses, shelly sandstone; some conglomerate and coarse lithic sandstone towards top. In Aitape also minor thin limestone beds; some carbonaceous material in upper part

Dep in central neritic fine-clastic basin with coarse-clastic marginal lithofacies, and limited to N by deeper-water and shallower-water reef carbonates. Conf on Bewani Fm?, and also on Neni Fm, Rofula Mem in Aitape; up part grades later to N into, and low part conf under, Bulimp Fm and Serra Hills Lst. In Aitape, non-conf on Barida Beds in E; later equiv of Krisi Fm and probably some Bulimp Fm,

Pliocene

Tp¹
(contd)

Serra Hills Lst; non-conf on Barida Beds, Puwani Lst, Bliri Volc in Vanimo; dated by abd plank foram; molluscs and abd larger benth foram also present

Krisi Formation
(Tpks)
1 Pliocene?

600-1100

AITAPE, VANIMO: Poorly consolidated, fine to coarse, massive to thickly bedded, silty lithic sandstone; minor hard mudstone interbeds; calcareous cemented gritty horizons and thin coal seams; alternating sandstone and fossiliferous mudstone at top and bottom

Conf on Bewani Fm and under Bulimp Fm; unconf under Qa, Qs; W marginal marine lithofacies of low part of Romi Fm. Age from superpos

NW WEWAK: Poorly consolidated, fine to coarse, massive to thickly bedded, silty lithic sandstone; minor hard mudstone interbeds; calcareous cemented gritty horizons and thin coal seams; alternating sandstone and fossiliferous mudstone at top and bottom

W, marginal marine lithofacies of low part of Romi Fm on strat and contained struc; conf on Bewani Fm; conf under Bulimp Fm; unconf under Qa, Qs; age from superpos; foss wood common

Bewani Formation
(Tpx)
Pliocene

to 2500

(At least partly included in Qs¹, Tmu¹)

AITAPE, VANIMO: Poorly consolidated micaceous mudstone and siltstone; some silty lithic sandstone and conglomerate

Dep in moderately deep water (outer neritic?), at least partly by t.c. Unconf below Neumayer Beds, and conf below Krisi Fm and Romi Fm; conf or disconf on Barida Beds; occupies same strat position as, and probably grades later into, Neni Fm in Aitape. Dated by plank foram (N19-21)

Wewak Beds
(Tp_w)
Pliocene

(At least partly included in Qs¹, Tm₁, KuTe¹)

WEWAK: Poorly consolidated calcareous siltstone, sandy and pebbly siltstone, fine to coarse silty lithic sandstone, polymictic and sandy conglomerate; bioturbation

Shallow-marine and perhaps fluv sed dep in shallow and deep water by t.c. Unconf below Neumayer Beds, Wirui Lst, locally Ulahau Fgl; non-conf below Wewak Beds; unconf on Marabu Lst, Sargum Cgl; non-conf on Senu Beds, Tmg; unconf on Bliri Volc, Torricelli Intr Comp, Mount Turu

Pliocene

Tp¹
(contd)

Comp. Dated by plank foram (N18-21); contains shelly lenses and bioturbation strucs. Where tested contains little Au; probable source of oil seeps in places

Pliocene

Neni Formation to 2300
(Tpne)
Pliocene
(At least partly included in Qs¹, Jt¹?)

AITAPE: Alternating mudstone and sandstone with calcareous concretions and carbonaceous laminae at bottom; fissile mudstone with pyritic clay laminae and occasional sandstone beds in middle; and sandy upper part with alternating mudstone, siltstone and sandstone, thick sandstone, conglomerate, and pebbly mudstone, becoming more conglomeratic and shelly towards top

Shallow to deeper marine. Conf below Romi Fm; conf or disconf on Barida Beds, clasts of which occur in low Neni Fm; non-conf on Senu Beds, and unconf on Bliri Volc locally; strat equiv and probably later lithofacies of Bewani Fm. Dated by plank foram

Rofula Member 700-1350
(of Neni Formation)
(Tpnr)
Pliocene
(At least partly included in Qa¹, Qs¹, Jt¹)

AITAPE: Poorly consolidated, thinly interbedded mudstone, siltstone, and fine lithic sandstone; thinly and irregularly interbedded sandy subangular to rounded polymictic conglomerate, lithic sandstone, and sandy siltstone; minor reef-knoll limestone; calcite-cemented concretions

Conf on Tumoflu Mdst Mem; conf below Romi Fm; unconf below Neumayer Beds; includes some Nengare Mem in S; includes some Tumoflu Mdst Mem locally. Molluscs, waterworn plant debris

Tumoflu Mudstone Member 365
(of Neni Formation)
(Tpnt)
Pliocene
(At least partly included in Qs¹)

AITAPE: Poorly consolidated, regularly laminated fissile micaceous mudstone with pyritic clay partings; occasional sandstone beds with large lenticular concretions

Conf below Rofula Mem, and conf on Nengare Mem; probably E tongue of Bewani Fm; locally disconf overstepped by Rofula Mem; rests directly on Nengare Mem

Nengare Member to 610
(of Neni Formation)
(Tpnn)
(At least partly included in Qs¹)

AITAPE: Dominantly argillaceous; poorly consolidated, thinly and irregularly interbedded mudstone and sandstone; occasional thicker mudstone beds; minor thin fine conglomerate near base

Conf below Tumoflu Mdst Mem; conf and grad or disconf on Barida Beds; in places disconf below Rofula Mem; probably locally disconf overstepped by Rofula Mem and Romi Fm

Tp¹
(contd)

Maprik Mudstone
(Tpp)
1 Pliocene (in Aitape)
Pliocene-Pleistocene?
(in Wewak)
(At least partly in-
cluded in Qs¹, Tmu¹,
Tml)

AITAPE, WEWAK: Poorly consolidated
foraminiferal mudstone and siltstone,
cross-bedded or laminated fine
micaceous silty sandstone; minor
concretionary limestone and sandstone

Probably marginal marine envir, possibly
partly intertidal in W; becomes deep-water
marine in E. Conf on Nanu Fm, into which
grades to W; conf below Nopan Sst.
Dated by plank foram (N19-21)

WEWAK: Also some clay-pebble or
polymictic conglomerate, shelly
mudstone

Locally represents basinward fine clastic
lithofacies equiv successfully to Nanu Fm,
Ipe Fm, Misa Fm, and in places Sargum Cgl.
Conf on, and probably grades later into,
Sargum Cgl, Misa Fm, Ipe Fm, Nanu Fm; disconf?
on Nanu Fm in W; conf on Mount Turu Comp,
Torricelli Intr Comp, Senu Beds in E; conf
below and grades later into Nopan Sst,
Wuro Beds. Dated by plank foram
(N18?, N19-21, N22?); contains leaf imprints
in places

Pliocene

Nanu Formation
(Tpu)
Pliocene

c.60 in E,
to 1200+ in W
in Wewak

AITAPE, WEWAK: Poorly consolidated,
medium to fine silty sandstone, with
large platy calcareous concretions;
interbeds of siltstone and mudstone;
sandstone partly lignitic, pebbly or
cross-bedded

Probably dep in high-energy shallow-marine
envir. In Aitape, probably shales out to W into
Gwenif Fm, and up part grades later to E into
Maprik Mdst locally; probably conf below Maprik
Mdst; conf below Nopan Sst; conf on Ipe Fm,
Kumal Marl Mem, Lumi Fm; dated by plank foram
(1 N19-21). In Wewak, basal beds appear to
interf to W with up Ipe Fm

Ipe Formation
(Tpi)
e Pliocene
(At least partly in-
cluded in Tmu¹)

800 in Wewak;
600+ in Aitape

AITAPE, WEWAK: Poorly consolidated,
bedded, and massive calcareous mudstone
and siltstone; mottled calcareous silt-
stone and hard marl, locally pebbly with
small concretions; silty lithic sand-
stone and pebbly sandstone

Probably dep in quiet neritic envir. In Wewak,
probably grades later into Maprik Mdst to E;
low part possibly grades later into Boini
Beds to W; conf on Misa Fm; conf below Nanu Fm,
Maprik Mdst; locally uppermost beds appear to
interf with basal Nanu Fm to E; some horizons
rich in small molluscs or carb material. In
Aitape, age from foram (N19) and superpos

Tp ¹ (contd)	<u>Kumal Marl Member</u> (of Ipe Formation) (Tpik) (At least partly included in Tmu ¹)	230 in type section in Aitape; probably thins to W	AITAPE, WEWAK: Marl, marly, and in places concretionary fine sandstone, and calcareous sandy siltstone, all with small irregular concretions; minor interbedded conglomerate and coarse, in places pebbly, lithic sandstone at base	In Aitape, conf below Nanu Fm; conf and trans on Mai Cgl Mem; abd shelly horizons and plank foram (N19). In Wewak, may grade later into undiff Ipe Fm to E; conf below Nanu Fm
	<u>Mai Conglomerate Member</u> (of Ipe Formation) (Tpim) e Pliocene	250 in type section	AITAPE: Hard massive to thickly bedded polymictic conglomerate, and coarse to very coarse pebbly lithic sandstone; minor marly fine sandstone with scattered small irregular concretions	Probably grades to E into undiff Ipe Fm, Boini Beds in places with short trans sequence. Conf below and trans into Kumal Marl Mem
	<u>Boini Beds</u> (Tpib) e Pliocene (At least in part included in Tml ¹)		AITAPE, WEWAK: Poorly consolidated, thinly interbedded, carbonaceous and micaceous laminated sandy siltstone, fine sandstone, and slightly calcareous, partly bioturbated siltstone; minor coarse lithic sandstone and sandy conglomerate	In part dep by t.c. Conf below Mai Cgl Mem; conf? or disconf? below Lumi Fm and on Senu Beds; locally conf? on Songaien Fm; grades later to E into Misa Fm and Ipe Fm. Age from plank foram (1 N18-19) and superpos
	<u>Misa Formation</u> (Tpm) e Pliocene (At least partly included in Tmu ¹ , Tml ¹)	900 in type section in Wewak	AITAPE, WEWAK: Poorly consolidated medium to coarse silty sandstone with scattered concretions; pebbly sandstone; fine polymictic conglomerate with lenses of sandy conglomerate; micaceous sandy siltstone and pebbly siltstone; minor impure limestone in places	Probably dep in high-energy shallow-marine envir. Conf on Songaien Fm in W and Sargum Cgl in E; disconf? on Puwani Lst locally; conf below Ipe Fm; grades later to W into low part of Boini Beds; grades to E from top down into Maprik Mdst. Dated by plank foram; abd coral frag in minor impure lst
	<u>Songaien Formation</u> (Tps) e Pliocene (At least partly included in Tmu ¹ , Tml ¹)	460 in type section	AITAPE, WEWAK: Poorly consolidated massive partly micaceous foraminiferal siltstone and mudstone; subordinate interbedded siltstone and fine silty sandstone towards base; minor pebbly siltstone with slump structures, and in places graded coarse pebbly lithic	Dep in moderately deep water (outer neritic?), partly by t.c. Conf on Molang Creek Fm, conf below Misa Fm, and possibly below Boini Beds in Aitape; locally non-conf on Senu Beds. Dated by plank foram (1 N18-19)

Tpⁱ
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sandstone with shale clasts; quartz
common in pebbly horizons, or minor
pebbly siltstone

Molang Creek Formation 200-2000 in
(Tpo) Wewak
e Pliocene
(At least partly in-
cluded in Tmu¹, Tml¹)

AITAPE, WEWAK: Hard calcareous siltstone Dep in deep water in part by t.c. In Wewak,
and mudstone; pebbly siltstone with conf? or disconf on Senu Beds, and conf below
quartz clasts; poorly consolidated inter- and trans into Songaien Fm. Age from plank
bedded carbonaceous fine silty sand- foram (1 N18-19)
stone and sandy siltstone; subordinate
conglomerate and sandy conglomerate

Sargum Conglomerate
(Tpc)
e Pliocene
(At least partly in-
cluded in Tmu¹, KuTe¹)

WEWAK: Poorly consolidated, massive to Possibly accumulated by dumping of
irregularly bedded, subangular to well rounded, shallow marine or fluv gv in
subrounded, granule to cobble polymictic deep water by t.c. and gravity sliding. Conf?
conglomerate, sandy conglomerate, and or disconf on Torricelli Intr Comp, Prince Alex-
pebbly medium to very coarse silty lithic ander Comp, Mount Turu Comp, and Ambunti Metam;
sandstone; some micaceous, carbonaceous, conf below and probably later equiv of low Misa
and calcareous siltstone, sandy silt- Fm, Wewak Beds, and some Maprik Mdst; unconf
stone, and pebbly siltstone below Ulahau Fgl. Dated by plank foram; in-
cludes some undiff 1 Mio or e Plio (N18-19),
but probably all Plio. Important source of
alluv Au where basal on Prince Alexander Comp
and Mount Turu Comp

Fuk Beds 470+
(Tp^f)
Pliocene
(At least partly in-
cluded in Qs¹)

AITAPE: Poorly consolidated, massive, Disconf or unconf under Nopan Sst;
shelly siltstone, thinly bedded mudstone; unconf under Qs; disconf? or unconf on Senu
some sandstone, minor limestone Beds; faulted against Senu Beds and basement
units. Dated by plank and larger benth foram
(N19-21); includes N19, 1 N17-21?, N16-19
and Plio to Recent farther W

Tp probably to
Pliocene 100 in N

AITAPE: Poorly consolidated interbedded Unconf on Senu Beds, Puwani Lst, Tom, Ambunti
calcareous mudstone and micaceous silt- Metam. Locally grades later into, and possibly
stone, with subordinate thin sandstone represents deep-water, offshore lithofacies of
and minor lignitic streaks; some part of Border Mtns Lst Beds. Dated by plank
conglomerate foram (N18-20)

Pliocene

Tp ¹ (contd)	<u>Border Mountains</u> <u>Limestone Beds</u> (Tz1) Miocene? or Pliocene?	300?	AITAPE: Massive reef-coral limestone; nodular bedded biopelsparite; some silty coralline biomicrite	Unconf on Ambunti Metam, Amanab Metadr, and probably P; in E, possibly grades later into Tp as deep-water, offshore lithofacies; may be corr of Puwani Lst
	<u>Gwenif Formation</u> (Tpg) Pliocene (At least partly included in Qs ¹ , Tmu ¹)	1500 in type section	AITAPE: Poorly consolidated thinly to thickly bedded micaceous sandy siltstone and shelly silty mudstone; minor fine to medium calcareous silty sandstone with occasional thin pebbly horizons; sandstone more common towards base	Probably dep in low-energy shallow-marine envir. Conf on Lumi Fm through short trans sequence; in E, disconf below Nopan Sst, which unconf oversteps it onto Lumi Fm and Senu Beds to W; probably grades later into Neni Fm locally. Dated by plank foram (N19-21)
	<u>Lumi Formation</u> (Tp1) Pliocene (At least partly included in Tmu ¹)	160-1030	AITAPE: Poorly consolidated, bedded or massive, angular to subrounded, granule to cobble polymictic conglomerate, sandy conglomerate, and conglomeratic lithic sandstone; sandy siltstone, partly laminated, micaceous, carbonaceous, or pebbly; siltstone; medium to fine silty sandstone; minor carbonaceous mudstone with thin lignitic seams	Shallow-marine envir, probably partly fluv in W. Conf below Gwenif Fm; conf or disconf on Boini Beds; probably disconf, locally unconf?, on Senu Beds; unconf on Ambunti Metam locally; non-conf below Nopan Sst, which oversteps it locally onto Senu Beds. Dated by plank foram (N19-21)
	<u>Marabu Limestone</u> (Tpz) e Pliocene? (At least partly included in Tmu ¹)	to 90	WEWAK: Well bedded and massive, slightly silty bioparsparite and biopelsparite	Dep on shallow-marine carbonate shelf with strong open-sea influence. Conf below Wewak Beds; conf? or disconf on Senu Beds, Tmsg. Mio or younger on foram only; strat and lithologic evidence point to e? Plio; abd plank and larger foram, and coral, algal, mollusc, and echino debris

Units not differentiated, at least in part, from Tp¹ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Aitape: 1 Mio-e Plio Barida Beds and e-1 Mio Senu Beds (see Tmu¹); and 1 Oligo? Tom (see To¹). In Vanimo: 1 Mio-e Plio Barida Beds (see Tmu¹); and e-m Mio Puwani Lst (see Tmm¹). In Wewak: 1 Mio-e Plio Barida Beds (see Tmu¹)

Late Miocene

Tmu ¹	<u>Barida Beds</u> (Tmpb) 1 Miocene-e Pliocene (Partly included in Qa ¹ , Tp ¹ , Tml)	to 1220? in Wewak and Aitape; 200-600 in Vanimo	AITAPE, WEWAK, VANIMO: Hard massive limestone, in places silty; compact massive marl; compact massive limestone and marl conglomerate; subordinate interbedded silty lithic or calcareous sandstone or siltstone and in places foraminiferal siltstone; minor coralline limestone in places	Dep in deep water with little terr influence. Probably conf and trans on Senu Beds; conf? on Puwani Lst in W; probably conf below Bewani Fm in W and Neni Fm in E; non-conf below Romi Fm in places; unconf below Neumayer Beds and Serra Hills Lst, and unconf on Bliri Volc. Dated by abd plank foram (probably 1 N16-19) and deep- water smaller benth foram; shallow-water molluscs also present
	<u>Senu Beds</u> (Tms) e-1 Miocene (At least partly in- cluded in Qa ¹ , Tp ¹ , Tmm ¹ , Tml ¹ , Tml, KuTe ¹ , Jt ¹)	to 2700 in Aitape	AITAPE, WEWAK, VANIMO: Indurated, poorly sorted polymictic conglomerate and sandy conglomerate; poorly consolidated lithic sandstone, locally pebbly and calcareous in places; poorly consolidated siltstone and pebbly and foraminiferal siltstone; thinly interbedded graded fine silty sandstone and sandy silt- stone; minor limestone, partly sandy and pebbly	Dep in shallow-water or fluv envir, but also by t.c. and rock slides in deeper water. Conf on and grades later into Amogu Cgl and Puwani Lst; unconf on Bliri Volc, U, Torricelli Intr Comp, Ambunti Metam, Prince Alexander Comp; locally nonconf below Lumi Fm; probably conf below Barida Beds; probably unconf below Tp, Nopan Sst, Wuro Beds?; unconf below Wirui Lst, Maprik Mdst, Neumayer Beds; conf or disconf, locally unconf, below Sargum Cgl, Wewak Beds; conf? or disconf below Marabu Lst, Songaien Fm, and Molang Creek Fm. Dated by foram (1 N4-e 18, and partly 1 Te-e Tf)
	<u>Tmsg</u> e-1 Miocene Member of Senu Beds (At least in part in- cluded in Tml ¹)	probably to 2000	WEWAK: Hard to poorly consolidated, massive to thickly bedded, subangular to well rounded, granule to cobble polymictic conglomerate, sandy cong- lomerate and partly carbonaceous conglomeratic medium to very coarse silty lithic sandstone	Lenses in Senu Beds; Mio (N8-N18) plank foram dates; locally faulted against Senu Beds with Mio (N8) dates; may include some Amogu Cgl. Plant debris

Units not differentiated, at least in part, from Tmu¹ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Aitape: Pleist-Holo Qa (see Qa¹); Pleist Neumayer Beds (see Qs¹); 1 Plio-Pleist Serra Hills Lst, 1 Plio? Romi Fm, 1 Plio Maprik Mdst, Plio Bewani Fm, Gwenif Fm, and Lumi Fm and e Plio Ipe Fm, Kumal Marl Mem, Misa Fm, Molang Creek Fm, and Songaien Fm (see Tp¹); e-m Mio Puwani Lst (see Tmm¹); L Cret-e Mio Torricelli Intr Comp (see Tml) and L Cret?, Eo-e Mio Bliri Volc (see KuTe¹). In Vanimo: 1 Plio-Pleist Serra Hills Lst, 1 Plio?-Pleist? Bulimp Fm, Plio Bewani Fm, and 1 Plio? Romi Fm (see Tp¹); Paleo?-e Mio Bliri Volc (see KuTe¹); and L Cret-e Mio Torricelli

Intr Comp (see Tml). In Wewak: 1 Plio? Romi Fm, Plio-Pleist? Maprik Mdst, and e Plio Ipe Fm, Kumal Marl Mem, Marabu Lst, Misa Fm, Songaien Fm, Molang Creek Fm, and Sargum Cgl (see Tp¹); L Cret-e Mio Torricelli Intr Comp (see Tml); and Paleo?-e Mio Bliri Volc (see KuTe¹)

Middle Miocene	Tmm ¹	<u>Wogamush Beds</u> (Tmw) m-1 Miocene	at least 2400; volc. 300 max	E-CENTRAL MAY RIVER, W AMBUNTI: Micaceous sandstone and subgreywacke, siltstone, grit, calcarenite, con- glomerate; limestone; intermediate and basic volcanics or volcanolithic con- glomerate at base	Unconf on Ambunti Metam and April Ultram; probably overlies Salumei Fm and intruded by Frieda Po. Tf ₁₋₂ Stage foram in 1st lenses near base; age of up part not known, but unlikely to be younger than Mio. (Dow et al., 1972, p.54)
		<u>Burgers Formation</u> (Tmb) 1 Miocene	1800	NE WABAG, SW AMBUNTI: Greywacke, tuffac- eous sandstone and grit, crystal tuff, volcanic cobble conglomerate, calcar- enite; minor coralline limestone	Volc mem at base apparently unconf on Pundugum Fm; where mem absent sed rocks apparently unconf on Pudugum Fm; top faulted. Tf ₁₋₂ foram. (Dow et al., 1972, p.51)
		<u>Tarua Volcanic Member</u> (Tmu) of Burgers Formation m-1 Miocene	2700 max; generally less than 1500	NE WABAG: Intermediate and basic volcanic rocks; minor conglomerate, sandstone, siltstone	Apparently unconf on Pundugum Fm; forms base of Burgers Fm, into which grades up and later. M Mio foram (Tf ₁₋₂) at base, probably entirely Tf ₁₋₂ age. (Dow et al., 1972, p. 53)
		<u>Karawari Conglomerate</u> (Tmk) m-1 Miocene	at least 600	S AMBUNTI: Pebble and cobble conglom- erate, pebbly sandstone; thick lenses of basic and intermediate volcanic rocks at base	Strat relat not clear; equiv of Tarua Volc Mem and Burgers Fm in S, and of Wogamush Beds to W of map area. Unfoss. (Dow et al., 1972, p. 49)
		<u>Puwani Limestone</u> (Tmd) e-m Miocene (At least partly in- cluded in Qa ¹ , Tp ¹ , Tmu ¹ , Tml, Jt ¹)	less than 100 in Wewak; less than? 500 in Vanimo	AITAPE, WEWAK, VANIMO: Massive to nodular bedded corallgal reef limestone, sandy and pebbly limestone, pelletal biosparite; some biopelsparite, interclast-bearing biosparite, limestone grit; minor sand- stone, siltstone, conglomerate. In Vanimo, also interbedded foraminiferal marl, calcareous siltstone, and thin limestone; recrystallized limestone, sandy and pebbly limestone	Probably dep as fringing reefs and atolls, or on isolated shallow-water carb platforms in well aerated, shallow, agitated water alternating with somewhat deeper water close to terr source. Equiv of Amogu Cgl and some Tmsg; later equiv of, conf below, and usually basal to Senu Beds, but some 1st lenses also higher in succession; unconf on Bliri Volc, Torricelli Intr Comp, Prince Alexander Comp, Amanab Metadr, Ambunti Metam; disconf? below Misa Fm. In Aitape and Vanimo, conf? below Barida Beds, and in Vanimo

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non-conf below Romi Fm; unconf below Serra Hills Lst, Neumayer Beds, younger units;
in Aitape, unconf below Tp, Neumayer Beds.
Carbonate dep widespread at this time, so other probable partial corr include: Gowop Lst of Adolbert, Finisterre, and Saruwaged Ras; Yalam Lst of New Britain; and Darai Lst of W Papua.
In Wewak dated by abd larger benth foram as (1 Te-e Tf) Mio; in Aitape as both e (1 Te) and m (1 Tf) Mio; in Vanimo as m and l Mio (N10-14)

Amogu Conglomerate to c.300
(Tma)
e-m Miocene
(At least partly included in Tm1¹, Tm1, Jt¹)

AITAPE, WEWAK: Conglomerate: indurated hard to poorly consolidated, unbedded to poorly or thickly bedded, poorly sorted, partly sandy, pebble to boulder grade; subordinate conglomeratic silty lithic sandstone and pebbly limestone

Of shallow-marine or fluv origin, and at least partly displaced into deeper water by t.c. Thickens and thins, and changes lithofacies later into Senu Beds and Puwani Lst; locally overstepped to E, probably unconf, by Plio rocks; conf below Senu Beds; unconf on Torricelli Intr Comp, Prince Alexander Comp, and Bliri Volc. Age from superpos and later relat with Puwani Lst and Senu Beds. Water-worn wood frag and rolled corals common

Units not differentiated, at least in part, from Tmm¹ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Wewak: Plio?-Pleist? Ulahau Fgl (see Qs¹); e Plio Sargum Cgl (see Tp¹); E Cret-e Mio Prince Alexander Comp (see Tm1); and L Cret-Eo Ambunti Metam (see KuTe¹, Ku²)

Middle Miocene

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(Tmi)
m Miocene
(At least partly included in To¹, Ju¹;
Tmm in Region 3)

RAMU, SW BOGIA: See Tmm in Region 3

Tmm (contd)	<u>Maramuni Diorite</u> (Tmm) m Miocene	NW RAMU: Porphyritic and non-porphyritic hornblende diorite and microdiorite; leucocratic biotite-hornblende granodiorite; less common augite-hornblende gabbro, hornblende-biotite rhyodacite, porphyry, and medium-grained biotite-augite monzonite; hornblende andesite and dolerite	Part of large batholith, but also forms small satellite bodies; more extensive in Ambunti and Wabag; corr with Kimil Dr, Bismarck Intr Comp, and Oipo Intr. 11-12.5 m.y. old by K-Ar method
		SE MAY RIVER, S AMBUNTI, NE WABAG: Diorite, granodiorite, intermediate porphyry, gabbro*	Intr ranging from batholiths to small dykes; split up into Yuat intr, Karawari intr, and Porgera intr. Some Pt and Au shed from unit concentrated in Timun R lake beds. (Dow et al., 1972, p.64-70)
Middle Miocene	<u>April Ultramafics</u> (Tma) m Miocene	S MAY RIVER, AMBUNTI, N WABAG: Serpentine, peridotite, dunite, pyroxenite, anorthite gabbro*	Numerous bodies of various sizes. Probably related to ultram in N fall of central ranges of Irian Jaya. Intrude Salumei Fm; unconf below m Mio (Tf ₁₋₂) Karawari Cgl and Wogamush Beds. (Dow et al., 1972, p. 62)
	Units not differentiated, in part, from on 1:1 000 000 map: In May River and Ambunti: M Triassic? Ambunti Metam (see Rm-u ¹)		
Early Miocene	Tm ¹ <u>Frieda Porphyry</u> (Tmx) m Miocene	CENTRAL MAY RIVER: Hydrothermally altered hornblende andesite porphyry and tuff, quartz diorite, minor monzonite*	Stocks, dykes, and larger intr bodies. May consist of intr of two ages: in S intrude e Tf ₁₋₂ Stage; in N intrude Ambunti Metam and might be older than m Mio. Po Cu-type mineraliz where intrudes Wogamush Beds. (Dow et al., 1972, p.70, 81)
	<u>Tm</u> Miocene	WABAG: Calcareous siltstone, marl; some calcareous quartz sandstone; minor pebbly sandstone; local limestone	Slumped calc beds (Dow et al., 1972, p. 48)

Units not differentiated, at least in part, from Tm1¹ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Aitape: Plio Wewak Beds and e Plio Boini Beds, Misa Fm, Songaien Fm, and Molong Creek Fm (see Tp¹); Mio Senu Beds (see Tmu¹); and L Cret-e Mio Torricelli Intr Comp (see Tm1). In Wewak: Plio Wewak Beds and e Plio Misa Fm, Songaien Fm, Boini Beds, and Molang Creek Fm (see Tp¹); Mio Senu Beds and Tmsg (see Tmu¹); e-m Mio Amogu Cgl (see Tmm¹); and L Cret-e Mio Torricelli Intr Comp (see Tm1). In Ambunti and Wabag: l Oligo?-e Mio Pundugum Fm (see To¹)

Early Miocene

Tm1	<u>Mount Turu Complex</u> (Tt) Jurassic?, some e Miocene	WEWAK: Predominantly serpentinite, websterite, clinopyroxenite, wehrlite, lherzolite, troctolite, gabbro, olivine diorite; some diorite, rare dolerite, and biotite adamellite	In partly faulted and partly intr? contact with Ambunti Metam and unconf below Maprik Mdst, Sargum Cgl? to S; unconf below Sargum Cgl, Wewak Beds, Ulahau Fgl? to N. K-Ar age of biotite adamellite 18.2 ± 0.8 m.y.; probably spurious K-Ar age (one gabbro sample) of 188 ± 50 m.y.; some areas of slightly anomalous Ni; possible source of road-making agg
	<u>Torricelli Intrusive Complex</u> (KTt) L Cretaceous-e Miocene (At least partly included in Tmu ¹ , Tm1 ¹ , KuTe ¹ , Jt ¹)	AITAPE, WEWAK, VANIMO: Medium-grained gabbro, olivine gabbro, hornblende gabbro, dolerite, pyroxene diorite, diorite, monzonite; subordinate granodiorite and adamellite; rare pyroxenite, hartzburgite, pegmatitic and porphyritic equivalents of some types; minor serpentinite and sheared gabbro in large shear zones	Intrudes Bliri Volc; unconf below Amogu Cgl, Puwani Lst, Senu Beds, Neni Fm?, Tmg, Qa, Qm, Sargum Cgl, Wewak Beds, Maprik Mdst in E. Several K-Ar dates range from 73.2 to 17.3 m.y. Minor alteration and sulphide mineralization along shears; mineralized po source of some alluv Au; possible source of road-making agg
	<u>Prince Alexander Complex</u> (KTP) E Cretaceous-e Miocene (At least partly included in Tmm ¹ , Jt ¹)	WEWAK: Mostly crushed and mylonitized, fine to medium granodiorite and diorite; also metadiorite, dolerite, amphibolite, and orthogneiss; subordinate mica schist, biotite adamellite, biotite granodiorite, and porphyry dykes	Intensely faulted with confused relat; faulted contacts with Ambunti Metam; unconf below Puwani Lst, Amogu Cgl in W, and Amogu Cgl, Sargum Cgl, and Ulahau Fgl in E. High-grade metam and some sheared intr dated by K-Ar method as 106-114 m.y. (probably oldest); adamellites and po dykes less deformed and dated by same method as 19.9-22.5 m.y. (probably youngest)

Units not differentiated, at least in part, from Tm1 on 1:1 000 000 map: In Aitape: 1 Plio-Pleist Nopan Sst (see Qs¹); 1 Plio Maprik Mdst (see Tp¹); 1 Mio-e Plio Barida Beds and Mio Senu Beds (see Tmu¹); e-m Mio Puwani Lst and Amogu Cgl (see Tmm¹); and L Cret-Eo Ambunti Metam and Paleo?-e Mio Bliri Volc and pre-Oligo? Amanab Metadr (see KuTe¹). In Vanimo: e-m Mio Puwani Lst (see Tmm¹); Paleo?-e Mio Bliri Volc (see KuTe¹); and pre-Mio? U (see Jt¹). In Wewak: Plio?-Pleist? Ulahau Fgl (see Qs); Plio-Pleist? Maprik Mdst and Plio Wewak Beds (see Tp¹); and Paleo?-e Mio Bliri Volc (see KuTe¹). In Ramu: Eo-Oligo? Wulamer Beds (see To¹)

Oligocene	To ¹	<u>Pundugum Formation</u> (Tms) 1 Oligocene?-e Miocene (At least partly included in Tm1 ¹)	c.4000	S AMBUNTI, N, NE WABAG: Greywacke, tuffaceous greywacke, siltstone, fine pebble conglomerate; some small lenses of limestone	Overlies Ambunti Metam, probably with angular unconf; overlain, probably unconf, by Karawari Cgl, and by Tarua Volc Mem to S. Te Stage. (Dow et al., 1972, p. 43)
		<u>Tom</u> 1 Oligocene? (Included in Tp ¹ , Jt ¹)	to 300	W AITAPE: Massive corallgal reef limestone, recrystallized limestone and pelletal biosparite, partly argillaceous; thin sandy siltstone and conglomeratic coarse lithic sandstone locally at base	Unconf on Ambunti Metam, Amanab Metadr; unconf under Tp, Qa. Probably 1 Oligo on larger benthic forams, but may include some e Mio. Erosional hiatus between Tom and Senu Beds
		<u>Wulamer Beds</u> (Tow, Tew) Eocene. Oligocene? (At least partly included in Tm1, KuTe ¹)	1500-3700	N RAMU: Phyllitic shale and slate, sheared calcareous sandstone, stretched pebble conglomerate, massive volcanic agglomerate, and interbedded siltstone and some cherty mudstone; laminated finely crystalline limestone	Possibly unconf on Asai Sh, but contact mostly faulted; top appears faulted against Ramu-Markham Fault Zone; intruded by small gb and ultram bodies of Oipo Intr. Age unknown, possibly Oligo?
			3500	SW BOGIA: Greywacke sandstone and siltstone; subgreywacke, massive, weakly calcareous, with interbedded conglomerate beds of identical composition; shale, minor volcanics, foraminiferal biomicrite; interbedded argillite most common at base, non-calcareous, slightly cleaved	Dep on steep submarine slope and in deep, probably fault-bounded trough. Possible grad boundary with Asai Sh, which they conf overlie; may extend into L Cret-Eo Asai Sh. Dated by forams as Eo

Units not differentiated from To¹ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Bogia: m Mio Oipo Intr (see Tmm)

KuTe ¹	<u>Amanab Metadiorite</u> (KTm) pre-Oligocene? (Included in Tml)		AITAPE: Predominantly sheared weakly foliated metadiorite, subordinate metagabbro, and metagranodiorite intruded by dolerite dykes. Original intrusives partly or completely converted to chlorite, epidote, secondary quartz, and clinozoisite	Appears to grade into Ambunti Metam in places, although probably intruded into Ambunti Metam before metam; unconf under Senu Beds, Puwani Lst, Tom, Tp, Border Mtns Lst Beds, and Qa. Source of road-making agg; possible source of alluv Au around Amanab
	<u>Nebilyer Limestone</u> (Teon) m Eocene-e Oligocene	100	W RAMU: See Tel-ol ² (see under Region 2)	
	<u>Dimaie Volcanics</u> (Ted) l Eocene (Included in Qa ¹)		AITAPE: Chloritized amygdaloidal basalt; some andesite, submarine lava breccia, agglomerate; minor tuff; basic dykes and small intrusives	Unconf under Qa. Dated by K-Ar method as 39.6 m.y.
	<u>Bliri Volcanics</u> (Tb) Paleocene?-e Miocene (in Wewak); L Cretaceous?, Eocene-e Miocene (in Aitape) (At least partly included in Tmu ¹ , Tml, Jt ¹)	2500-10 000	AITAPE, VANIMO, WEWAK: Basic, intermediate, and minor acid volcanics, and volcanically derived sediments with minor limestone lenses; volcanics include basalt, pillow basalt (brecciated and fragmented), basaltic tuff, agglomerate, breccia, andesite, andesitic tuff and agglomerate, lava, peperite; rare dacite and rhyolite; sediments include moderately indurated mudstone, pebbly mudstone, siltstone, and lithic sandstone with abundant volcanic detritus and minor agglomerate; lenses include radiolarian and foraminiferal marl and foraminiferal bioclastic limestone	Consist of two units: older of Paleo-l Eo age, with smaller sed component, more basic volc, and common deeper-water marls; younger of l Oligo-e Mio age, of greater sed component, more andesitic volc, and more common shallow-water calcaren. Dated by foram, but one K-Ar age of 30.4 m.y. for bs. Intruded by Torricelli Intr Comp; in places unconf below Amogu Cgl, Puwani Lst, Senu Beds, Wewak Beds, Wirui Lst, Barida Beds, Romi Fm, Serra Hills Lst, Neni Fm?, and Neumayer Beds

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Ambunti Metamorphics

(K_{Ta}, K_{Tal})

L Cretaceous-Eocene

(At least partly included in Qa¹, Tmm¹, Tml, Jt¹)

AITAPE, WEWAK: Phyllite, quartz-mica schist, quartz-epidote-mica schist, garnet-mica schist; subordinate shale; slate and metasediments with limestone lenses, marble, and metavolcanics; minor amphibolite and gneiss locally. Nummulitic limestone separated out as K_{Tal}.

Lithology variable. Locally unconf below Puwani Lst, Senu Beds, Maprik Mdst, Sargum Cgl, Tp, Tom, Border Mtns Lst Beds, Lumi Fm, and Wosera Beds; probably intruded by Amanab Metadr. Minor disseminated mineralization, but little economic potential; local alluvial Au probably derived from intruding po. Long narrow lenses of K_{Tal} contain larger benthic forams

MAY RIVER, AMBUNTI: Slate, phyllite, sericite schist, muscovite and biotite schist; pelitic, quartzofeldspathic, and basic gneiss; schists and gneisses of amphibolite facies

Unconf under Wogamush Beds and Karawari Cgl; later equiv of Gwin Metam; possibly under unaltered Cret sediments. Older than middle Mio, probably Mesozoic, but possibly includes E Tertiary rocks. Metamorphic age middle Mio or older

Salumei Formation
(metamorphic phase)

3000+

(Tls)

Cretaceous-l Eocene

(At least partly included in Qa¹, Tmm¹, Tml¹, Jt¹, Ku², Jm-u²)

S MAY RIVER, AMBUNTI, N WABAG: Metamorphic phase: slate, phyllite, sericite schist, metagreywacke; recrystallized limestone and greenschist in places*. Non-metamorphic phase: mostly fine siltstone and shale, subgreywacke, and lenses of limestone and calcarenite; submarine agglomerate and lavas; rare volcanolithic pebble conglomerate in places*

Contact between Salumei Fm (Tls) and Gufug Gn faulted, but field evidence suggests gradational contact between two. Metamorphic age equiv of Salumei Fm. Base not seen; contacts with older units faulted except locally where possibly rests conformably on Jur Sitipa Sh; unconf below Pundugum Fm and Wogamush Beds. L Cret-Eo forams; possibly Neocomian ammonites. Some Cu mineralization locally. (Dow et al., 1972, pp. 25, 82)

Asai Shale

(K_{Ta})

L Cretaceous-Eocene

(At least partly included in Ju¹)

NW RAMU: Phyllitic, schistose, and commonly carbonaceous shale and siltstone; fine greywacke, minor limestone, calcarenite, and conglomerate

Most rocks undergone low-grade (low greenschist facies) regional metamorphism; conformable on Kumbruf Volc; numerous ramifying quartz and calcite veins; minor leucocratic acid dykes; correlation of Chim Fm. Dated by forams in some limestone lenses

Chim Formation

(K_{uc})

Cenomanian-Maastrichtian

W RAMU: See Ku³ (under Region 3)

Late Cretaceous - Eocene

KuTe¹
(contd)

Late Cretaceous - Eocene

Gufug Gneiss
(Tmg)
Cretaceous-Eocene

BOGIA: Shale, with fissile slaty cleavage or subconchoidal fracture; greywacke with interbedded conglomerate; clasts of quartzite and fine siliceous sediments; calcareous argillite; well bedded foraminiferal biomicrite forms thin lenses widely scattered throughout unit

Marine shelf which received fine terr sed, but small amount of reef detritus. Similar to Gusap Arg, which may be partly equiv; possibility of continuous dep of Asai Sh through to Gusap Arg; passes up by mixed gradation into Wulamer Beds; conf on Kumbruf Volc. Dated by plank and smaller benth foram; sponge spicules also present

SE MAY RIVER: Glaucophane schist and gneiss with variable epidote, garnet, and white mica; eclogite*

Apparently as fault wedges in Salumei metam, but possible trans from Gufug Gn to Salumei metam; probably equiv to Salumei metam in age; metam probably in post-Eo and pre-m Mio. (Dow et al., 1972, p. 39)

Mum
Jurassic?

SW BOGIA: Serpentinite, dunite, peridotite, pyroxenite, gabbro (cumulate), chlorite schist, hornblendite; one small intrusion of harzburgite with some dunite, lherzolite, and associated dolerite

Possibly remnants of thrust sheet of Mesozoic oceanic crust emplaced in Eo; possibly equiv to Marum Basic Belt

Units not differentiated, at least in part, from KuTe¹ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Aitape: Mio Senu Beds (see Tmu¹). In Wewak: Pleist-Holo Qa and Wirui Lst (see Qa¹); Plio Wewak Beds and e Plio Sargum Cgl (see Tp¹); and Mio Senu Beds (see Tmu¹). In Ramu and Bogia: Eo-Oligo Wulamer Beds (see To¹). In Aitape, Wewak, and Vanimo: L Cret-e Mio Torricelli Intr Comp (see Tml)

Jurassic-Oligocene

Jt¹
U
pre-Miocene?
(At least partly included in Tml)

AITAPE, VANIMO: Mainly sheared serpentinite

Faulted against Bliri Volc, Senu Beds, Puwani Lst, Ambunti Metam, Dimzie Volc. Serp in sheared zone in Puwani Lst; minor anomalous lateritic Ni

Units not differentiated, at least in part, from Jt¹ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Wewak: Mio Senu Beds (see Tmu¹); e-m Mio Amogu Cgl and Puwani Lst (see Tmm¹); L Cret-e Mio Torricelli Intr Comp and E Cret-e Mio Prince Alexander Comp (see Tml); and Paleo?-e Mio Bliri Volc and L Cret-Eo Ambunti Metam (see KuTe¹). In Aitape: Pleist-Holo Qa (see Qa¹); Plio Neni Fm? and Rofula Mem (see Tp¹); Mio Senu Beds (see Tmu¹); e-m Mio Puwani Lst and Amogu Cgl (see Tmm¹); L Cret-e Mio Torricelli Intr Comp (see Tml); l Oligo? Tom (see To¹); and L Cret-Eo Ambunti Metam and L Cret?, Eo-e Mio Bliri Volc (see KuTe¹). In Vanimo: Paleo?-e Mio Bliri Volc (see KuTe¹)

Late Jurassic	Ju ¹	<u>Kompiai Formation</u> (Juk) L Jurassic?		NW RAMU: Siltstone, laminated greywacke siltstone and sandstone; phyllitic shale, schistose shale, phyllite, highly indurated cleaved shale; minor calcareous sandstone	Apparently conf below Kumbruf Volc; corr of Maril Sh
		<u>Sitipa Shale</u> (Jus) Kimmeridgian		W AMBUNTI: Calcareous siltstone and shale, fine greywacke	Generally bounded by faults, but in places possibly conf below Salumei Fm; later equiv of Maril Sh. Age Kimmeridgian on biv <u>Malayomaorica</u> . (Dow et al., 1972, p. 22)
		<u>Maril Shale</u> (Jmm) Kimmeridgian	2400+	SE AMBUNTI, NE WABAG: Calcareous shale and siltstone, greywacke, quartz sandstone*. See also under Region 3	Dep in NW-trending trough between Maramuni R and head of Jimi R. Intruded by Maramuni Dr, and hornfelsed near contact; in places altered to phyllite. Thins to S. L Jur on biv <u>Malayomaorica</u> and <u>Inoceramus</u> . (Dow et al., 1972, p. 22)
Units not differentiated from Ju ¹ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Bogia: m Mio Oipo Intr (see Tmm); and L Cret-Eo Asai Sh (see KuTe ¹). In Ramu: L Cret-Eo Asai Sh (see KuTe ¹)					
Early-Middle Jurassic	Jl-m ¹	<u>Mongum Volcanics</u> (Jmm) M Jurassic	240-900	SE AMBUNTI, NE WABAG: Submarine basic volcanics and tuffaceous sediments, limestone, chert*	Conf on E Jur Balimbu Gwke and conf below L Jur Maril Sh. Unfoss. (Dow et al., 1972, p. 21)
		<u>Balimbu Greywacke</u> (Jlb) Sinemurian-Pliensbachian		NW RAMU: See Jl-m ³ (under Region 3)	
Unit not differentiated, at least in part, from Jl-m ¹ on 1:1 000 000 map: Carnian-Norian Kana Volc (see Ru ¹)					
Late Triassic	Ru ¹	<u>Kana Volcanics</u> (Ruk) Carnian-Norian	600+	SE AMBUNTI, NE WABAG: Dacite, rhyolite, and andesite tuffs and lavas, tuffaceous sandstone, dacite pebble conglomerate, tuffaceous siltstone	Overlies Jimi Gwke, probably unconf; below E Jur Balimbu Gwke. Dated by fairly widespread L Trias molluscs; may range into E Jur. (Dow et al., 1972, p. 20)
CENTRAL NW RAMU: See Ru ³ under Region 3					

Middle Triassic	Rm-u ¹	<u>Yuat Formation</u> (Rmy) Anisian-Norian	600+	SE AMBUNTI, NE WABAG, NW RAMU: Shale, greywacke, feldspathic sandstone*	Base not exposed; overlain, probably conf by Kana Volc. Contains amm, nautiloids, biv, and crinoid stems; dated M-L Trias. (Dow et al., 1972, p. 19)
		<u>Chambri Diorite</u> (Mc) (Age not known, possibly Triassic)		AMBUNTI: Diorite, granodiorite, gabbro*	Intrudes Ambunti Metam (Dow et al., 1972, p. 62)
		<u>Hunstein Complex</u> (Mns) M Triassic		W AMBUNTI: Metamorphosed gabbro, quartz-biotite gneiss*	Exposures poor and relat of various rock types not known. (Dow et al., 1972, p. 60)
Unit not differentiated, at least in part, from Rm-u ¹ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Ramu: Quat Hagen Volc (see Qv ³)					
Permian	P	P Permian		W AITAPE: Mainly biotite and hornblende medium to coarse granodiorite, diorite, and quartz diorite; subordinate hornblende tonalite, leucocratic granophyre and dolerite	Observed only as boulders derived from Irian Jaya. Dated by K-Ar method as 242-257 m.y.; assoc with cobbles and pebbles of dacitic volc; relat with Ambunti Metam unknown

SOUTHERN AND WESTERN HIGHLANDS AND FLY RIVER (2)

Age	IM map unit	Constituent unit(s) in 1:250 000 Sheet areas	Thickness (m)	Lithology	Additional pertinent data
Quaternary	Qa ²	<u>Qa</u> Holocene (At least in part included in Qs ²)		WABAG, S KARIMUI, DARU-MAER: Clay, sand, silt, gravel, peat, alluvial soil; tuffaceous sand locally	Coastal and river alluv
		<u>Qs</u> Pleistocene (At least in part included in Tou-mm ²)	to 500	CENTRAL, N BLUCHER RANGE: Chaotic deposits of angular rock fragments, slumped slate, shale; includes some Qa	As landslip aprons. Unconf on older rocks. Not suitable for building foundations unless lithified and well drained; some buildings at Lake Kopiago on Qs
		<u>Qpm</u> Pleistocene (At least in part included in Tou-mm ²)	to 20	NW BLUCHER RANGE: Glacial moraine: probably unsorted mass of limestone rock fragments	S slope of Mt Capella at about 3500 m elevation; photo-interpreted; unconf on Darai Lst
Quaternary	Qv ²	<u>Suaru, Karimui, and Hagen Volcanics</u> (Qvs, Qvk, Qvh) Quaternary		KARIMUI: See Qv ³ (under Region 3)	
		<u>Duau, Mt Murray, Ialibu, and Giluwe Volcanics</u> (Qvd, Qvm, Qvi, Qvg) Quaternary		KARIMUI: Basalt (shoshonitic) to andesite lava, agglomerate, tuff; minor derived sediments	Poorly to well preserved volc cone forms; all extinct; some small satellite vents may be as young as 1000 years
		<u>Maer Volcanics</u> (Qpm) Pleistocene?		DARU-MAER: Olivine basalt and tuff; hawaiite-mugearite composition	Tuff contains coral frag; three well preserved cones in Murray Is

Quaternary	Qv ² (contd)	<u>Sugarloaf Volcanics</u> (Qs) Quaternary	SE WABAG: Basalt and andesite lavas and tuffs; recent cumulodomes of unknown composition	Lava field of coalescing cumulodomes, with explosion craters. Younger than Giluwe Volc and probably Hagen Volc. (Dow et al., 1972, p. 59)
	Qs ²	<u>Qt</u> Quaternary	DARU-MAER: Alluvium in terraces	Forms older inland coastal plain
	<u>Qa, Qa₁</u> Pleistocene	to 600	BLUCHER RANGE: Alluvium and older alluvium: gravel, sand, silt, mud; moderately or weakly lithified conglomerate, sandstone, siltstone, mudstone; includes some lake beds and Qs	Alluv: unconf on Darai Lst and Birim Fm; disconf and conf on Awin Fm; source of gv; where tested contains very little Au. Older alluv: in various highland valleys, some swampy in parts with sphagnum bog on carb muds; older parts later equiv of Awin Fm; unconf on older rocks; source of gv; generally stable and suitable for building foundations, except on steep slopes
	<u>Sisa Volcanics</u> (Qps) Pleistocene (At least in part included in Tp ²)	to 500	SE BLUCHER RANGE: Agglomerate and tuff, andesitic where sampled	One small outcrop: outlier of apron of Mt Sisa volcano (Lake Kutubu). Overlies Wongop Sst with slight angular unconf. Age from degree of dissection of Mt Sisa volcano. Source of gv
	<u>Awin Formation</u> (Qpa) Pleistocene	to 500	S, SW BLUCHER RANGE: Sandstone, conglomerate, siltstone, mudstone, thin lignite seams; some white sandy clay	Former alluv with cut-and-fill struc; generally lower dips and lack of tuff and aglm distinguish it from Birim Fm. Later equiv of most Qa; para-conf and locally unconf? on Birim Fm; unconf on Darai Lst, Liddle Cgl, and Wongop Sst; disconf and conf below Qa. Age from strat position. Source of gv; where tested contains very little

Units not differentiated, at least in part, from Qs² on 1:1 000 000 map: In Daru-Maer: Quat Qa (see Qa²); Plio-Pleist TQs (see TpQp); and Mio Tm (see Tou-mm²)

TpQp	<p><u>TQs</u></p> <p>Pliocene-Pleistocene</p> <p>(At least in part included in Qs²)</p>	to 120	DARU-MAER: Mudstone, sandstone, gravel; terrigenous	Overlies Mio 1st
	<p><u>Intrusives, Star Mountains</u></p> <p><u>Intrusives</u></p> <p>(Tpi, Tps)</p> <p>1 Miocene-Pleistocene</p>		E, NW BLUCHER RANGE: Porphyritic micromonzonite and microdiorite, minor medium-grained equivalents; magnetite, sulphide, and epidote-garnet skarns	Intr: forcefully emplaced; probably related to po sills S of Lake Kopiago; most or all stocks subvolc, and source? of volc component in Birim Fm, Wongop Sst, Liddle Cgl, and Awin Fm; intr Plio?, Mio, and older sed; age 2-5 m.y. from several K-Ar determinations; similarity to Fubilan stock suggests possibility of some Cu, Mo, Ag, and Au mineraliz; some Cu and Zn in Bolivip stock; some Pb and Zn in skarn assoc with sills on S bank of Lake Kopiago. Star Mtns Intr: cluster of small stocks and one larger body (Antares Monz); comp similar to Tpi, but some more potassic; some stocks subvolc and source of volc component of Birim Fm and Awin Fm; intrude Plio? and older sed; age 1.2 or 2 to 5 m.y. from many K-Ar determinations; Cu mineraliz in several stocks in Tifalmin area
	<p><u>Fubilan stock</u></p> <p>(Tpf)</p> <p>1 Miocene-Pleistocene</p>		NW BLUCHER RANGE: Quartz monzonite porphyry*	Vertical cylinder. Age of potash metasomatism (and mineraliz) 1.2 m.y. from eight K-Ar determinations. Dissem and skarn Cu mineraliz estimated at 200-300 million tonnes 0.9% Cu; assoc minor Mo, Ag, Au
	<p><u>Mount Ian gabbro</u></p> <p>(Tpg)</p> <p>1 Miocene-Pleistocene</p>		NW BLUCHER RANGE: Pyroxene-bearing gabbro phase within generally felsitic intrusive complex	Part of Star Mtns Intr
	<p><u>Antares Monzonite</u></p> <p>(Tpa)</p> <p>1 Miocene-Pleistocene</p>		NW BLUCHER RANGE: Monzonite, granodiorite, adamellite, fine-grained porphyritic equivalents, minor tuff, agglomerate, lava	Largest intr body in Star Mtns Intr. Much py, some Cu mineraliz; vegetation anomalies on SE contact (airphoto-interpretation) may indicate skarn

Tp²

Era Beds
(TQe)
Pliocene-Pleistocene

generally 300+

S KARIMUI: Fine to coarse well compacted sandstone, siltstone, and mudstone; thin shelly quartz sandstone beds

Marine and non-marine. Conf on Orubadi Fm. Coal seams, mainly in up part

Birim Formation
(Tp_b)
Pliocene

1450

W-CENTRAL BLUCHER RANGE: Sandstone, conglomerate, tuff; minor agglomerate; shelly sandstone and tuffaceous marl at base; rare lignitic claystone near top; conglomerate clasts mostly Tmd-type limestone and Tps/Tpi porphyry

Mostly former alluv; basal part marine. Corr of Wongop Sst and Liddle Cgl; paraconf and in places unconf? on Pnyang Fm and Warre Lst Mem. Age based on strat position and on corr of volc with Tpi igneous activity (2-5 m.y.). High Cu in some stream-sediment samples apparently due to dissem rather than visible economic Cu mineraliz; source of gv

Liddle Conglomerate
(Tp_l)
Pliocene

c.100

SE BLUCHER RANGE: Conglomerate, partly volcanic, partly polymictic; clasts include Darai Lst and Tpi porphyry; some agglomerate, tuff, silty sandstone

Probably former alluv dep. Lenses out to SE. Later equiv of cgl part of Birim Fm; aglm and tuff distinguish it from Awin Fm; conf and in places unconf? on Wongop Sst; unconf below Awin Fm. Age on strat position and on corr of volc with Tpi igneous activity (2-5 m.y.). Source of gv; cliffs not regarded stable

Wongop Sandstone
(Tp_w)
Pliocene or younger

to 2400

SE BLUCHER RANGE: Sandstone, minor conglomerate, siltstone, shale; calcareous near base, tuffaceous, partly carbonaceous

Foram and lithologies indicate trans from marine at base through brackish to non-marine with rare marine intcal. Conf on Wai Asi Beds; conf and locally unconf below Liddle Cgl; unconf below Awin Fm and Sisa Volc. Age from strat position and 'Plio or younger' foram in Raggi; thin lignite seams near top; plant remains

Units not differentiated, at least in part, from Tp² on 1:1 000 000 map: In Blucher Ra: m Mio Tmx and m-1 Mio Tmtz (see Tou-mm²); and one small outcrop of Pleist Sisa Volc (see Qs²)

Late
Miocene

Tmu²

Orubadi Formation
(Tmup)
1 Miocene-Pliocene

100-750, av 350;
thickens to E

S KARIMUI: Well bedded mudstone with carbonaceous laminae; subordinate siltstone and sandstone; minor hard calcareous sandstone

Conf on Darai Lst. Mdst possibly bentonitic in places. Shelly beds with large and small fossils (Tg-Th) abd

Tmu ² (contd)	<u>Wai Asi Beds</u> (Tma) m?-1 Miocene (Included in Tou-mm ²)	250	SE BLUCHER RANGE: Calcareous mudstone and siltstone with minor limestone beds; some glauconite	Later equiv? of Tmt and mdst phase of Pnyang Fm; conf on Darai Lst and conf below Wongop Sst. Shallow-marine foram and molluscs in some samples. Dated by plank foram
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Tou-mm ²	<u>Tm</u> Miocene (At least in part included in Qs ²)	915	DARU-MAER: Limestone, some dolomite; cherty mudstone and marl towards base	Dep in shallow water on stable shelf during major transgression. Subsurface in E
	<u>Tmx</u> m Miocene (At least in part included in Tp ²)		E BLUCHER RANGE: Thin-bedded limestone with mudstone, siltstone, sandstone interbeds	Later equiv? of Warre Lst Mem; conf on Tmt. Dated by plank and larger foram as e Tf
	<u>Pnyang Formation and Warre Limestone Member</u> (Tmp, Tmp ₁ , Tmr) m Miocene	200-1500; limestone horizon 20-40; member 90-200, average 110	CENTRAL W BLUCHER RANGE: Soft calcareous mudstone and siltstone with limestone interbeds; tuffaceous sandstone. Member fossiliferous fine-grained limestone with marl interbed; in W partly micritic; partly detrital with fossils and some tuff	Trans in NW to Iwoer Fm (thicker, more sandy, no lst); trans? in E to Wai Asi Beds or to top Darai Lst; disconf and unconf below Birim Fm. Dated by larger and plank foram as N9-14. Some sub-bituminous coal seams. Lst horizons discontinuous along strike. Mem conf on Pnyang Fm and Iwoer Fm; disconf and unconf below Birim Fm; intruded by Star Mtns Intr. Dated by larger benth foram (e Tf; 1 Te or e Tf), plank foram (N12), and nannoplankton (equiv of N8-9)
	<u>Tmtz</u> m-1 Miocene (At least in part included in Tp ²)	1200	N CENTRAL, E BLUCHER RANGE: Thinly bedded laminated silty mudstone and sandy siltstone; thin interbeds of fine micaceous sandstone; in places, calcareous siltstone includes some Tmt	Includes clastic sed which appear to occupy strat level of Tmt, but differ from it in being more sandy or apparently younger; includes Tmt and 'Orubadi Fm' (Wabag). Dated by foram as m Mio or younger in Lake Kapiago area; 1? Mio or Plio in Sepik headwaters

Late Oligocene - middle Miocene

Late Oligocene - middle Miocene

Tou-mm ² (contd)	<u>Tmt</u> e-m Miocene	1000	N BLUCHER RANGE: Marine mudstone and siltstone with thin very fine-grained calcareous sandstone interbeds	Dep in quiet, shallow sea. Corr with 'Lai Slst' of Mendi area; later equiv? of Wai Asi Beds and mdst phase of Pnyang Fm; conf on Darai Lst and conf below Tmx. Rich plank foram (N8, 9) includes reworked Paleo and L Cret elements
	<u>Iwoer Formation</u> (Tmi) e-m? Miocene	2500	NW BLUCHER RANGE: Calcareous mudstone, siltstone, silty quartz sandstone; rare lignite	Trans S and SE into Pnyang Fm marked by appearance of 1st interbeds and probably decrease in proportion of sst; conf on Darai Lst; conf below Warre Lst Mem. Dated by foram. Lignite seams reported in Irian Jaya
	<u>Chuingai Limestone</u> (Tmc) l Miocene	to 60	WABAG: Coral and foraminiferal limestone	Unconf on Ambunti Metam. Contains Mio foram; probably 1 Mio (contains Tg foram to NW). (Dow et al., 1972, p. 57)
	<u>Tm</u> Miocene	300+	WABAG: Calcareous siltstone, marl, some calcareous quartz sandstone, and minor pebbly sandstone	Slumped calc beds. (Dow et al., 1972, p. 48)
	<u>Yangi Beds</u> (Tmy) l Oligocene?-m Miocene	c.1500	WABAG: Mudstone, marl, calcareous siltstone, sandstone; interbeds of limestone	Overlie Lagaip Beds probably unconf; grade N into Tibinin' Lst Mem. Te foram locally; uppermost beds probably Tf ₁₋₂ . (Dow et al., 1972, p. 47)
	<u>Tibinini Limestone</u> <u>Member</u> (Tmt) of Yangi Beds l Oligocene?-m Miocene	900-1200	WABAG: Calcareenite, limestone, some marl and calcareous shale	Unconf on Lagaip Beds; probably grades later into Yangi Beds. Uppermost beds contain Tf ₁₋₂ foram locally; low half probably Te Stage. (Dow et al., 1972, p. 48)
	<u>Darai Limestone</u> (Tr, Tr ₁ , Tmd) l Eocene-m Miocene, but mainly l Oligocene-m Miocene	500-1300 in Blucher Range	BLUCHER RANGE: Massive to thick-bedded limestone; slightly sandy and glauconitic foraminiferal biomicrite and pelsparite near base passes up into mainly algal foraminiferal biomicrite with sponge-bearing micrites, infrequent dolomitized	Folded into broad flat-topped anticline and disrupted by probably gravity-induced smaller folds and thrust-faults. Disconf on Feing Gp and Ieru Fm; conf below Pnyang Fm, Iwoer Fm, and Tmt; conf or disconf below Tmtz and Wai Asi Beds. Dated by foram (mainly e Te-Tf).

Tou-mm²
(contd)

Late Oligocene - middle Miocene

Aure Beds
(Tm)
m Oligocene-1 Miocene

100-1200 thick-
ens to S in
Karimui

beds, and cherty beds. Slumped limestone
slab mapped as Tr₁

Algae and sponges. Some e Oligo (Tc), and m
or 1 Eo (Ta₃-Tb) float at one locality. Source
of lime; minor Pb sulphides at Lake Kopiago;
possibility of skarn mineraliz where intruded
by Tpi, Star Mtns Intr, etc.

S, SE KARIMUI: Thick-bedded to massive
biosparite, biomicrite, and calcareous
arenite with minor biosparudite and
breccia; calcareous quartz-feldspar
arenites most common at base of
sequence and especially in N-most
outliers

KARIMUI, RAMU, SW MARKHAM: See Tm1⁴
under Region 4

SW RAMU: Thin-bedded to laminated
calcareous mudstone and siltstone,
and volcanolithic greywacke; minor
siltstone and limestone

Basinal facies of Aure Beds, but much less
extensive than in Karimui; formed in deep-water
envir close to rapidly eroding landmass; pro-
venance volc; extensively covered by Holo volc
ash

Units not differentiated from Tou-mm² on 1:1 000 000 map: In Blucher Range: Quat Qs and Qpm (see Qa²); and m?-1 Mio Wai Asi
Beds (see Tmu²)

Eocene - early Oligocene

Tel-ol² Nebilyer Limestone
(Teon)
m Eocene-e Oligocene

100 in Ramu; less
than 100 and
thins to S in
Karimui

NW KARIMUI, W RAMU: Calcareenite with thin
silty argillaceous interbeds; fine-
grained limestone

Corr of Chimbu Lst; contains plank foram
(Ta₃-Tc) and algae

Te
Eocene

0-200, av 50-100
in Karimui

SE KARIMUI, SW MARKHAM: Fine to coarse
detrital and micritic limestone;
ferruginous, glauconitic, and calc-
areous quartz sandstone and sandy
limestone; minor sandstone, siltstone,
and mudstone

May include some e Oligo beds, e.g., Chimbu Lst
in S and E Karimui; age Ta₂-Tb. In Markham
possibly partly equiv to Chimbu Lst to N;
possibly unconf below Aure Beds

Unit not differentiated from Tel-ol² on 1:1 000 000 map: In SW Markham: E Cret M1 (see K1²)

Late Cretaceous

Ku ²	<u>Salumei Formation</u> (KTs) Cretaceous-1 Eocene (At least part mapped as Jm-u ²)	More than 500	NE BLUCHER RANGE: Weakly schistose fine to coarse poorly sorted volcanolithic sandstone. See also KuTe ¹ under Region 1	In other areas includes sltst, submarine basic volc, lst, and metam equiv; fault-bounded. Dated by foram in lst interbeds in adjoining areas
	<u>Feing Group</u> (undivided) (KTf, KTf ₁) Valanginian, 1 Paleocene? or e Eocene?	1000-2000	N BLUCHER RANGE: Massive to well bedded fine sandstone, siltstone, and shale; clean and muddy hard quartz sandstone and quartzite, some cemented by grain overgrowth, partly glauconitic; rare dense fine-grained streaky limestone	In same strat interval as Toro Sst and Ieru Fm and of similar lithology, but lacks prominent sltst/sst which characterizes Ieru Fm; sst in KTf (KTf ₁) partly younger than in Toro Sst; sltst and sh less carb and less indurated than sltst and sh of Om Beds (where seen contact faulted); trans in S into Toro Sst and Ieru Fm; disconf below Darai Lst. Dated by amm and foram. Most L Cret/Jur amm in float at several localities may indicate presence of unmapped Om Beds
	<u>Chim Formation</u> (Kuc) Cenomanian-Maastrichtian		SE KARIMUI: See Ku ³ (under Region 3)	
	<u>Ieru Formation</u> (Kui) Cenomanian-Campanian	670-890, rarely to 1500	CENTRAL, NW BLUCHER RANGE: Bioturbated fine glauconitic quartzose sandstone and siltstone, with recessive glauconitic mudstone and siltstone; abundant large cone-in-cone concretions; prominent beds of fine sandstone and siltstone in mid-section and at top	Later equiv of up part of Feing Gp; conf on Toro Sst from which distinguished by lack of clean qtz sst; disconf below Darai Lst under Fly-Strickland plains. Dated by foram and amm; also contains biv

Unit included in Ku² on 1:1 000 000 map: In Wabag: M Jur-Paleo Lagaip Beds (see Jm-u²)

Early Cretaceous	K1 ²	<u>Toro Sandstone</u> (JKt) L Jurassic?, Neocomian-Albian	150-435	CENTRAL BLUCHER RANGE: Clean well sorted quartz sandstone, friable or cemented by grain overgrowth; some mudstone, siltstone, and bioturbated silty micaceous sandstone; clean sandstone, coarse cross-bedded at base - beds 30 cm to massive	Probably dep under high-energy conditions as nearshore marine sand-bar complex. Later equiv of Feing Gp, some of which younger; conf on Kuabgen Gp; conf below Ieru Fm. Permeable; potential petrol reservoir rock; porosity reduced in places by grain overgrowth. Dated by spores and micropl; biv and blm also present
	<u>K1</u>	E Cretaceous	1200-1500 in Karimui	SE KARIMUI: Massive to thick-bedded dense lithic sandstone interbedded with thin-bedded mudstone/siltstone; minor shelly greywacke and limestone*	Some ripple marks. Equiv to Kondaku Tuff; overlain by Chim Fm. Dated by amm, gast as Aptian-Albian
				SW MARKHAM: Massive to thick-bedded lithic sandstone interbedded with thin-bedded mudstone and siltstone; minor shelly limestone	Subsurface only
Middle - Late Jurassic	Jm-u ²	<u>Lagaip Beds</u> (J-Kp) M Jurassic-Paleocene (Included in Ku ²)	c.3000	WABAG: To W: Slate, shale, and siltstone, commonly pyritic; minor sub-greywacke; thick beds of quartz sandstone towards top of unit. To E: lighter in colour and mostly calcareous; lenses of limestone and thin-bedded quartz sandstone common in places	Bottom not seen, but similar sed of Jur age unconf on granitic rocks in Strickland Gorge; probably unconf below e Mio marine sed. Amm of Callovian age; foram ranging from Albian? to L Cret and Paleo to m Eo. Little bornite found locally; at Porgera, Au mineraliz assoc with sphalerite, py, galena. (Dow et al., 1972, pp. 32, 82)
		(<u>Imburu Mudstone</u> (Jui) Oxfordian	200-640	N BLUCHER RANGE: Predominantly micaceous mudstone and siltstone, partly calcareous with concretions; interbedded with fine flaggy silty micaceous quartz sandstone towards base; some mudstone and siltstone laminated; some sandstone has ripple-drift lamination	Inliers in core of Muller Anticline. In places indistinguishable photogeologically from Koi-lange Sst, Atemin Sh; conf on Koi-lange Sst; underlies Toro Sst; later equiv? of up Om Beds. Dated by amm, biv, micropl. Possible petrol source rock

Middle - Late Jurassic

Jm-u ² (contd)	(<u>Koi-Iange Sandstone</u>	290-550	N BLUCHER RANGE: Fine to coarse micaceous quartz sandstone, partly feldspathic; subordinate bioturbated sandy siltstone, mudstone; finer clastic intercalations locally more common near top; thin pebbly horizon and coal at base	Inliers in Muller Anticline not distinguishable photogeologically from Imburu Mdst and Atemin Sh in places; locally unconf on Strickland Gr; conf on Atemin Sh in W; conf below Imburu Mdst; later equiv? of low part of Om Beds; low part in Strickland valley probably later equiv of Atemin Sh and Bol Ark. Dated by rare amm and biv. Up part of unit has petrol reservoir potential in Strickland Gorge; elsewhere sst tight
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Kuabgen Group	(<u>Atemin Shale</u>	90-120	NW BLUCHER RANGE: Hard, slightly micaceous silty shale, calcareous and sandy in part; scattered concretions	Inliers in core of Muller Anticline; not distinguished in places from Koi-Iange Sst; conf on Bol Ark, boundary grad in places; conf below Koi-Iange Sst and probable later equiv of part of it in E. Dated by biv, blm
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	(<u>Bol Arkose</u>	to 710	N BLUCHER RANGE: Hard conglomeratic arkose, coarse poorly sorted, with sub-angular clasts of granite, adamellite, orthoclase; fine to coarse quartzose sandstone in upper part, partly feldspathic calcareous or silty; bedding thick or massive, distinct to poor	Inliers in axis of Muller Anticline; base not seen but possibly unconf on Strickland Gr at shallow depth; conf below Atemin Sh; later equiv? of low part of Koi-Iange Sst in Strickland valley. Bajocian? amm in probable Bol Ark locally
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	(<u>Om Beds</u>	3000+	N BLUCHER RANGE: Carbonaceous siltstone and mudstone; minor fine quartz sandstone, pyritic chert nodules and lenses commonly with cone-in-cone structure, carbonate concretions, microdiorite dykes; some fine lithic sandstone	Complexly faulted (mostly E-W) and folded. Dep in shallow water in some places and by t.c. Later equiv of Kuabgen Gp; metam to N, where passes into Jom; base not exposed; conf? below Feing Gp, but contact faulted. Dated by amm; also blm, biv, wood. Possible petrol source rock; gas and minor oil shows in places
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<u>Metamorphic Phase of</u>			NE BLUCHER RANGE: Carbonaceous schist, phyllite, and slate; minor less schistose fine quartzite; pyritic chert nodules and lenses	Complex struc dominated by WNW-trending faults; simpler struc (broad folds) in more competent sandy units. Faulted against Salumei Fm in N and against Om Beds in S; contact with Om Beds
<u>Om Beds</u>				
(Jom, Jom ₁)				
1 Bajocian-				

Jm-u²
(contd)

Tithonian

may be gradational elsewhere. Age from corr with
Om Beds and from rare amm near contact with
Om Beds

Middle-Late
Jurassic

Unit not differentiated from Jm-u²: In Blucher Range: Cret-1 Eo Salumei Fm (see Ku²; also KuTe¹ under Region 1).

Late Permian

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Strickland Granite
(Ps)
L Permian?

E BLUCHER RANGE: Granite with chlorite,
calcite, sericite, and epidote alter-
ations

Unconf below Koi-Iange Sst. Age based on
analogy with Kubor Gd (Ram): 214 m.y.
(K-Ar) or 240 m.y. (Rb-Sr); one sample of
Strickland Gr dated at 214 m.y. (K-Ar)

Late Carboniferous

Cu

Badu Granite
(Cub)
L Carboniferous

DARU-MAER: Leucocratic biotite granites;
porphyritic biotite granite and adamell-
ite; some hornblende-biotite adamellite
and granodiorite

Intrudes, and possibly comagmatic with, Torres
Strait Volc. Three samples of granite dated at
295 m.y.

Torres Strait Volcanics
(Ct)
Carboniferous?

DARU-MAER: Massive crystal-rich welded
tuff; minor agglomerate, rhyolite,
andesite, and interbedded sediments

Large xenoliths in Badu Gr

CENTRAL AND EASTERN HIGHLANDS (3)

Age	IM map unit	Constituent unit(s) in 1:250 000 Sheet areas	Thickness (m)	Lithology	Additional pertinent data
Quaternary	Qa ³	<u>Qa, Qha</u> Holocene		KARIMUI, MARKHAM, RAMU, SW MADANG, WABAG: Unconsolidated alluvial and swamp deposits: clay, sand, silt, gravel, minor peat, alluvial soil	In SW Madang, fluv sed. In places overlie Qs
		<u>Qf, Qphf</u> Holocene	80 in Ramu; 80+ in Markham	MARKHAM, E RAMU, NE KARIMUI, SW MADANG: Unconsolidated piedmont slope deposits: gravel, sand, silt, and clay. In Ramu, also boulder gravel with granite boulders. In Markham, generally stratified, poorly sorted, coarser in fan head than in toe	In Markham, fluv sed; surface sed Holo but probably Pleist below; lenticular sand and gravel aquifers with clayey gravel aquicludes. In Ramu and Karimui, may contain some fluvio-glacial debris; in places veneered with Holo alluv
		<u>Qs</u> Quaternary (Partly included in Qv ³)		S RAMU, N KARIMUI: Talus, scree: rock-fall debris mixed with soil beneath limestone cliffs; landslip and outwash rubble at base of steep slopes	Much of 1st talus recemented; large areas moved as debris-laden mudflows; extensively used as road constr gv
	Qv ³	<u>Suaru, Karimui, Hagen</u> <u>Volcanics</u> (Qvs, Qvk, Qvh) Quaternary		CENTRAL, NW KARIMUI: Basaltic (shoshonitic) to andesitic lava, agglomerate, tuff; minor derived sediments	All extinct. Hagen Volc derived from 3 major and at least 6 minor eruptive centres; extensive aprons and valley-fill material, mostly lahars; summit area of S-most centre glaciated; all major cones deeply eroded on NW side; hypabyssal intr
			apron to 150; cone crater to 2000	SW RAMU: Hagen Volcanics lava also dacitic and there are pyroclastics, lahar deposits, water-laid tuff derived from Hagen Volcano	

Qv ³ (contd)	<u>Crater Mountain Volcanics</u> (TQvc) Pliocene-Holocene	KARIMUI: Andesitic and basaltic lava; minor agglomerate, tuff, derived sediments	Deeply eroded volcano or volc complex with superimposed younger minor volc centres
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Units not differentiated from Qv³ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Karimui: Holo Q1 (see Qs³). In Ramu and Karimui: Quat Qs (see Qa³)

Quaternary

Qs ³	<u>Qh1</u> Holocene (At least in part in- cluded in Qv ³)	c.100	NW MARKHAM: Bedded unconsolidated gravel sand, silt NE KARIMUI: Quartz-rich gravel W, SW RAMU: Peat present	Lake sed
	<u>Qp</u> Pleistocene	800	N RAMU: Mudstone, soft carbonaceous and shelly; interbedded with friable carbon- aceous sandstone and siltstone; partly conglomeratic, grading laterally into chalky limestone	Marine sed. Overlain by fgl and alluv. Lst with corals, molluscs, bry
	<u>Kainantu Beds</u> (Qpn) Pleistocene	30-110	NW MARKHAM: Basal conglomerate overlain by succession of clay, silt, and sand, with some thin lenses of conglomerate; unconsolidated to poorly consolidated	Lake sed: tectonic activity formed two lakes which covered most of present up Ramu River. Age by C ¹⁴ method from basal cgl probably 54 000 y. Source of Au from Kainantu area

Late Miocene

Tmu	<u>Intrusives</u> (Tmuy) 1 Miocene	SE RAMU: Monzonite, porphyritic micro- diorite, quartz-feldspar andesite- porphyry, leucocratic quartz-biotite andesite-porphyry, hornblende andesite-porphyry	Irregularly shaped dykes and veins cutting Bismarck Intr Comp. K-Ar isotopic age about 7 m.y. Possible source of Cu and Au at Yanderra
	<u>Benembi Diorite</u> (Tmub) 1 Miocene?	SW RAMU: Porphyritic hornblende-quartz microdiorite	Age deduced from similarity to Michael Dr and Tmuy; possible source of Au at Kuta

Late Miocene	Tmu (contd)	<u>Michael Diorite</u> (Tmum) 1 Miocene	E KARIMUI: Porphyritic hornblende microdiorite	Large hypabyssal stock with parts of roof preserved. Strongly py; moderate late-stage hydrothermal alteration. Age by K-Ar method 7.3 ± 0.2 m.y.
		<u>Elandora Porphyry</u> (Tme) 1 Miocene	MARKHAM: Hornblende andesite-porphyry; subordinate porphyritic microdiorite; minor serpentinite; propylitization common	Isolated outcrops of microdr and serp in places assigned to Elandora Po. Intrudes Yaveufa Fm, Akuna Intr Comp, Omaura Gwke, Bena Bena Fm; probably intrudes Aifunka Volc. Age by K-Ar method 7.9 m.y. Py mineraliz common; prominent source of Au in Kainantu area; Mt Victoria mine on faulted contact with Mt Victoria Gd
Middle Miocene	Tmm	<u>Oipo Intrusives</u> (Tmi) m Miocene (At least partly included in Tmm in Region 1)	RAMU, SW BOGIA: Gabbro, granodiorite, tonalite, dolerite, diorite, pyroxenite, lamprophyre	Stocks and dykes. Intrude Wulamer Beds, Asai Sh. 15-17 m.y. old by K-Ar method. Textures range from fine-grained to pegmatitic; felsic stockworks and complex veining common. Py and pyrrh common; hbl more common than biot
		<u>Bismarck Intrusive Complex</u> (Tmb) m Miocene (At least in part included in JK ³)	SE RAMU: Hornblende gabbro, hornblende-biotite-quartz diorite; subordinate hornblende-pyroxene-biotite tonalite and granodiorite; minor mangerite, granite, aplite, muscovite, pegmatite, hornblendite, dunite, peridotite, and anorthosite	Smaller bodies SW of main batholith of less varied lithology. Bulk of rock 13 m.y. old from 50 samples dated by K-Ar and Rb-Sr method; pegmatite 9-10 m.y. old
			NE KARIMUI: Hornblende diorite, microgabbro	Rocks mainly fine-grained, darker and more po than those of main batholith in Ramu
			NW MARKHAM: Granodiorite, quartz diorite; minor tonalite, serpentinite; rocks sometimes porphyritic, but mainly equigranular	Main part of batholith 12.5 m.y. old as dated by K-Ar method. Intrudes Goroka Fm; contemp with Tmm

Tmm
(contd)

SW MADANG: Gabbro, diorite, dolerite, microdiorite, tonalite, pyroxenite, granodiorite

Intrudes Goroka Fm

Kimil Diorite

(Tmk)

m Miocene

CENTRAL RAMU: Diorite, gabbro, tonalite, granodiorite, andesite-porphyry; dolerite and basalt dykes and veins; minor trachyandesite; fine to coarse and porphyritic varieties; alteration common

Dr commonly intruded by complex network of bs, dl, and gb dykes and veins. Some py. 15 m.y. old by K-Ar method. Size and distribution pattern similar to Oipo Intr; both possibly earliest cooled uppermost portions of batholithic bodies comagmatic with more deeply eroded Maramuni Dr and Bismarck Intr Comp

Akuna Intrusive Complex

(Tmak)

e Miocene

MARKHAM: Olivine and hornblende gabbro, porphyritic dolerite, diorite; minor granodiorite, serpentinite

Intr Bena Bena Fm, Goroka Fm, and Omaura Gwke; intr by Elandora Po; unconf below Aifunka Volc. Age of dl, dr, and gd in Markham 14 to 16.5 m.y. by K-Ar method

Miocene

At Mt Wilhelm and Mt Hagen, small glacial deposits of 10-20 m of unconsolidated moraine and fluvioglacial gravels (Qm) not distinguished from Tmm on 1:1 000 000 map

Middle

Tmm³

Kenangi Gabbro

(Tmke)

m Miocene

NE KARIMUI: Hornblende gabbro, mangerite, granodiorite; commonly porphyritic and altered

Sills, dykes, and small stocks in Movi Beds and Yaveufa Fm; thermal aureoles up to 12 m wide; strong petrographic similarity to and very close spatial relat with lavas of Yaveufa Fm. Suitable as road gv

Yaveufa Formation

(Tma)

m Miocene

2000-4800 in
Karimui

NE KARIMUI: Coarse polymictic agglomerate and interbedded porphyritic andesite and basic lava; welded ash-flow tuff; volcanolithic sediments; waterlaid tuff, polymictic volcanic pebble, cobble, and boulder conglomerate, greywacke, and calcarenite

In Karimui and Ramu, volc and volcanolithic sed interf, former being dominant locally. In Karimui dated as 12.5 to 15 m.y. by K-Ar method

S RAMU: Shoshonitic agglomerate

Middle Miocene	Tmm ³ (contd)		W. MARKHAM: Also subordinate tuff, greywacke, and minor reef limestone lenses	Unconf on Movi Beds, Aure Beds, and Omaura Gwke; intruded by Elandora Po; equiv to Langimar Beds (see Tmm ⁴ under Region 4)
	<u>Aifunka Volcanics</u> (Tmf) m Miocene		W MARKHAM: Andesitic lava, tuff, agglomerate	Unconf on Omaura Gwke and Akuna Intr Comp; intruded by probable Elandora Po. Major source of Au in Kainantu area
Oligocene-middle Miocene	To	<u>Marum Basic Belt</u> (Tmmmb) Miocene? (At least in part included in	RAMU: Gabbro; minor norite, pyroxenite; anorthosite and gabbro pegmatite veins; dunite, commonly serpentinized	Banding common in main NW gb body
Early Miocene	Tml-m ³ <u>Movi Beds</u> (Tmo) e-m Miocene		500-4000 and thins to NW in Karimui; 500 in E Ramu	W MARKHAM: Well bedded volcanolithic and tuffaceous sandstone, shale, and siltstone, and polymictic pebble conglomerate
			E KARIMUI, S RAMU: Similar suite, but beds more calcareous, and coral limestone beds and lenses present	Unconf below Yaveufa Fm; later equiv of up part of Aure Beds. Abd foram In E Karimui, well bedded shallow-water clastic sed with abd interbedded benth and plank foram, gast, biv, echino, and corals. In S Ramu, unconf on Chimbu Lst; strongly folded and faulted in Bismarck Fault Zone. Massive lenses have abd foram (l Te to e Tf). Ripple marks, thin persistent lst beds, fine pebble lenses, and worm tracks
Units also included, at least partly, in Tml-m ³ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Karimui, Ramu: m Oligo-l Mio Aure Beds (see Tml ⁴ under Region 4)				

Late Oligocene	Tou ³		800	SW MADANG: Algal-foraminiferal bio-micrite, siltstone, shale, greywacke; algal-foraminiferal biomicrite in lenses and highly fractured; bedding very irregular	Possible fringing reef complex. Unconf on Goroka Fm; paraconf on Teh. Dated by larger foram (Te, e Tf); algae and corals also present
	<u>Omaura Greywacke</u> (Tou) m-1 Oligocene (At least in part included in JK ³ , Tt)			E KARIMUI: Shale and siltstone; cross-bedded feldspathic sandstone; schistose serpentinite	Lithologically similar to younger Movi Beds faulted against it; serp along Kami Fault. L Oligo age
	<u>Nasananka Conglomerate</u> (Ton) Oligocene	1500-2500, thins E and W		MARKHAM, WAU: See Tou ⁴ (under Region 4) NW MARKHAM: Pebble and boulder conglomerate; subordinate arkose, greywacke, siltstone; conglomerate matrix commonly carbonaceous	Rapid vertical and lateral variations in lithology. Conf below Omaura Gwke; unconf on Bena Bena Fm; overlies Mt Victor Gd; calc breccias at base of Omaura Gwke may be later equiv. Detrital Au probably derived from Bena Bena Fm
Middle Eocene - early Oligocene	Tem-ol ³	<u>Chimbu Limestone</u> (Teoc) m Eocene-e Oligocene	300-1000	NW MARKHAM: Foraminiferal limestone, subordinate siltstone	Abd foram probably equiv in part to Teh limestone in Madang; probably unconf on Goroka Fm and Bena Bena Fm; possibly unconf below Omaura Gwke
			c.300 in Karimui	NE KARIMUI, S RAMU: Fine-grained algal limestone, nummulitic limestone, coarse calcarenite, and finer-grained foraminiferal limestone	Richly foss - some beds composed almost entirely of cemented foram; gast, biv, echino also abd
		<u>Teh</u> m-1 Eocene (At least in part included in JK ³)		SW MADANG: Biocalcirudite, foraminiferal-algal biomicrite	Fringing reef comp? Unconf on Goroka Fm, but undiff from it locally; paraconf below Tou; equiv? to Chimbu Lst in Ramu, Karimui, and Markham

Late Palaeocene	Tau ³	<u>Pima Sandstone</u> (Tap) 1 Paleocene-Eocene	2000-3000?	CENTRAL KARIMUI: Thick-bedded fine to coarse feldspatholithic sandstone with small lenticular coquina beds, tuff, and rare conglomerate; mudstone and siltstone with laminations and thin interbeds of sandstone	Detritus from weathering of Kondaku Tuff and Chim Fm; mdst/sltst rich in carb material, rock frag, and clay minerals; sst clasts rare; fine laminations, ripple marks, small-scale cross-bedding in sst beds
	Ku ³	<u>Chim Formation</u> (Kuc) Cenomanian-Maastrichtian	Av c.2000; max c.3000 in Karimui	N KARIMUI, SW RAMU: Massive finely laminated calcareous shale, some with fine-grained calcareous nodules and cone-in-cone structures; laminated sandstone, siltstone, shale with minor calcarenite and tuff beds; minor laminated tuff; altered volcanics, volcanolithic greywacke, calcarenite, conglomerate	Coarse-grained rock characterized by soft sed slump strucs mostly confined to up part of Fm; shallow-water dep indicated by small-scale cross-bedding, ripple marks, and well sorted sandy beds. Conf on Kondaku Tuff; unconf under Chimbu Lst. Mostly Cen-e Camp locally in Karimui; Cen-Tur with Camp-Maast in places in Ramu. Volc and volcanolithic rocks confined to Kundiawa area
Early - Late Cretaceous		<u>Mount Victor Grano-diorite</u> (Kuv) L Cretaceous (Included in Kl)		CENTRAL MARKHAM: Biotite-hornblende granodiorite	Exposed in core of Arau Anticline, SE of Kainantu. Possibly intrudes Bena Bena Fm; overlain by Nasananka Cgl. Dated as 90 m.y. by K-Ar method. Mt Victor Au mine on faulted contact of Mt Victor Gd and Elandora Po
		<u>Intrusives</u> (Kle) E Cretaceous? (At least in part included in Ju ³)	c.15 in Karimui	N KARIMUI: Pyroxene-hornblende diorite and microdiorite, mostly altered (especially chloritized) and veined with coarsely crystalline calcite W RAMU: Altered quartz-hornblende microdiorite, augite dolerite, gabbro	Intr Maril Sh in both Karimui and Ramu. In Karimui, sills in Maril Sh; age unknown; comp similar to that of volc rocks in overlying Kondaku Tuff, and apparent absence of these intr in rocks younger than L Jur suggests E Cret age. In W Ramu, may be corr of Kera Sill as intrudes Maril Sh, but age not known

Early - Late Cretaceous	Ku ³ (contd)	<u>Kumbruf Volcanics</u> (Klku) E Cretaceous?	1800 in Ramu	RAMU: Epidotized basaltic agglomerate and pillow lava, volcanolithic conglomerate, amygdaloidal lava; indurated calcareous siltstone and lithic and feldspathic sandstone	Conf below Asai Sh; underlying relation unclear - probably conf on Kompiai Fm; corr of Kondaku Tuff. Commonly altered
			6000 in Bogia	SW BOGIA: Massive indurated, strongly jointed basaltic to andesitic marine volcanic breccia, pillow lava, lava, volcanically derived greywacke, sandstone, and siltstone; subordinate tuff, agglomerate; metamorphosed in part; some sandstone tuffaceous	Dep on steep submarine slope and in deep, probably fault-bounded trough. Conf below Asai Sh. Contains plank and smaller benthic forams
Early Cretaceous	Kl ³	<u>Kondaku Tuff</u> (Klk) Aptian-Albian	300-2450, thins towards Kubor Anticline	N KARIMUI, S RAMU: Coarse lithic sandstone, greywacke, tuffaceous sandstone, shale, siltstone; subordinate conglomerate, agglomerate, volcanic breccia, amygdaloidal lava	Sh and siltstone most common but least prominent part of sequence; volcanic mostly confined to low part of fm. Dated by ammonite and bivalve; gastropod and bryozoan also present; abundant charred wood fragments, some leaf impressions
Jurassic - Cretaceous	JK ³	<u>Goroka Formation</u> (Mg) Mesozoic, E Tertiary?		SW MADANG: Phyllite, slate, schist, carbonaceous siltstone, minor greywacke, quartzite; low-grade metamorphics of pelitic derivation, mostly quartz-veined; some metamorphosed intermediate dykes	Dep in deep trough and on steep submarine slope which received very fine terrigenous detritus. Intruded by Bismarck Intrusives; unconformable below Teh, Tolu; lithologically similar to Gusap Arg, which may be younger, high-level, less metamorphic equivalent; possibility of continuous deposition of Goroka Fm through Gusap Arg, i.e. Goroka Fm may be E Tertiary in part
				NW MARKHAM: Also contains biotite-andalusite schist, carbonaceous schist; minor limestone, calcareous siltstone, andalusite hornfels	Possible correlation of less metamorphic units of Owen Stanley Metamorphic; possibly less metamorphic part of Bena Bena Fm; intruded by Bismarck Intrusives

JK³
(contd)

SE RAMU: In addition contains minor gneiss (commonly with lit-par-lit injections of Bismarck Intrusive Complex rocks), amphibolite, marble

Bedding well preserved with schistosity parallel to it. Age not known; may contain some E Tert metased; intruded by Bismarck Intr Comp

NE KARIMUI: Also contains massive quartzite and pyritic quartz-veined siltstone

Jurassic - Cretaceous

Bena Bena Formation
(Mb)
Mesozoic

Probably several thousand in Markham; uncertain, minimum 450 in Karimui

NW MARKHAM, NE KARIMUI: Mainly low-grade metamorphics; actinolite-chlorite schist, quartz-sericite schist, mica schist (schists partly garnetiferous); minor knotted hornblende-feldspar gneiss, granitic gneiss; less metamorphosed phyllite, meta-greywacke, and meta-arkose

Possible corr of Owen Stanley Metam; base not exposed; unconf below Nasananka Cgl and Omaura Gwke; intruded by Karmantina Gneissic Gr, Akuna Intr Comp, and Elandora Po; possibly intr by Mt Victor Gd. In NW Karimui, two episodes of metam recognized

Units not differentiated, at least in part, from JK³ on 1:1 000 000 map: In SW Madang: m Mio Bismarck Intr Comp (see Tmm); 1 Oligo Omaura Gwke (see Tou³); and m-1 Eo Teh (see Tem-ol³)

Ju³

Maril Shale
(Jum)
Kimmeridgian

400-2000

RAMU, N KARIMUI: Moderately indurated shale and siltstone with variable carbonate and mica content; commonly pyritic, especially more carbonaceous beds; subordinate fine to medium sandstone, calcilutite, and shale; basal unit of arkose, silicified and calcareous shale/slate breccia and conglomerate. See also under Region 1

In Karimui, unconf below Chimbu Lst; py common as beds, nodules, and dissem. In Ramu, massive or well bedded; basal unit in Kubor Anticline only; elsewhere conf on Balimbu Gwke or Mongum Volc; dated by biv in up part

Late Jurassic

Unit not differentiated, at least in part, from Ju³ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Karimui and Ramu: E Cret? intr (see Ku³)

Early - Middle Jurassic	Jl-m ³	<u>Karmantina Gneissic Granite</u> (Mjk) M Jurassic (Included in Jl)		NW MARKHAM: Biotite-muscovite gneissic granite	Intrudes Bena Bena Fm. Dated at 172 m.y. by Rb-Sr method, but possibly emplaced in Trias
		<u>Mongum Volcanics</u> (Jmm) M Jurassic?	250	S CENTRAL RAMU: Basaltic agglomerate and pillow lava interbedded with pebble and cobble conglomerate and feldspathic greywacke; basalt	Age inferred from conf strat position between E Jur Balimbu Gwke and Jur Maril Sh
		<u>Balimbu Greywacke</u> (Jlb) Sinemurian-Pliensbachian	280-2000	S CENTRAL, NW RAMU: Calcareous and volcanolithic greywacke and interbedded siltstone; fine sandstone and siltstone; minor shale	Conf below Maril Sh and Mongum Volc; unconf on Kana Volc - probably partly derived by reworking of Kana Volc; well indurated resistant sst beds rhythmically interbedded with recessive sltst and sh. Amm, blm, biv, and brach poorly preserved; dated by amm
Early Jurassic	Jl	<u>Jlu</u> (unnamed intrusive) E Jurassic?		SE RAMU, NE KARIMUI: Deeply weathered granodiorite and diorite with aplite and dolerite dykes	Unconf below Chimbu Lst. Dated as 180-190 m.y. by Rb-Sr method
		Unit also included in Jl on 1:1 000 000 map: In Markham: M Jur Karmantina Gneissic Gr (see Jl-m ³)			
Permian-Triassic	PuRl ³	<u>Kuta Formation</u> (PRk) 1 Norian-Rhaetian	100-250	N KARIMUI, SW RAMU: Limestone, sandy limestone, minor arkose in lower part	Contains mixed fauna of brach, biv, amm, corals, foram, and conodonts
Late Triassic	Ru ³	<u>Kana Volcanics</u> (Ruk) Carnian-Norian	200-3500	CENTRAL, NW, SW RAMU, N KARIMUI: Massive basic to intermediate agglomerate, basalt lava, dykes; tuff and conglomerate, acid? lava, fine volcanic breccia (lapilli? tuff); pillow lava; greywacke; recrystallized coral lime-	Mostly marine but some subaerial lavas and pyroclastics. In Ramu extensively intruded by Mio plutonic and hypabyssal rocks and unconf overlain by Balimbu Gwke or younger fms; biv in headwaters of Jimi R

Ru³
(contd)

stone, calcarenite; volcanolithic and feldspathic sandstone; extensively epidotized and recrystallized to low greenschist facies; lavas mainly andesitic, but some basalt, dacite, rhyolite

Late Triassic

Jimi Greywacke
(Ruj)
Carnian-Norian

800+, base not seen

RAMU: Highly indurated fine to medium greywacke and siltstone; commonly micaceous and calcareous; coarse beds generally carbonaceous; minor shale, siltstone, feldspathic sandstone

Grades upwards through trans zone into Kana Volc. Dated by amm; also contains biv, gast, brach

Pu
Late Permian

Kubor Granodiorite
(Puk)
L Permian

N-CENTRAL KARIMUI, SW RAMU: Coarse biotite-hornblende granodiorite and tonalite commonly altered and deeply weathered; small stocks and dykes of diorite and gabbro; dykes and veins of aplite and muscovite pegmatite

In core of Kubor Anticline; probably contains unmapped roof pendants of Omung Metam. Sulphide minerals (mainly py) very sparse. Dated as 244 m.y. by Rb-Sr method

Carboniferous?-Permian

Pz³

Omung Metamorphics
(Pzo)
L Palaeozoic

2000+

N-CENTRAL KARIMUI, S RAMU: Slate, phyllite, sericite schist, and partly recrystallized indurated siltstone and shale; less common metagreywacke, basic metavolcanics, spotted slate, hornfels; quartz veins and pods. In Karimui low-grade low-pressure metamorphics, hornfels

In Karimui, slaty cleavage only in fine-grained rocks; contains numerous small unmapped Kubor Gd bodies; age unknown, but older than up Kubor Gd. In Ramu, metagwke and slightly metam sh and sltst have blocky jointing, poorly dev cleavage, some graded and fine current-bedding, and interformational brec; slaty cleavage only in finer-grained rocks and commonly parallels bedding; secondary strain-slip cleavage and resultant small folds and crenulation lineations on main cleavage surfaces present locally; in places tightly folded beds have axial-plane cleavage; post-metam chevron folds and kink bands in phyllite

PAPUAN GULF AND PENINSULA (4)

Age	IM map unit	Constituent unit(s) in 1:250 000 Sheet areas	Thickness (m)	Lithology	Additional pertinent data
Quaternary	Qa ⁴	<u>Qhc, Qs</u> Pleistocene-Holocene (At least in part included in Tmm-p ⁴)	100	PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA, N YULE: Colluvium: angular rock fragments in clay matrix, unsorted, unconsolidated; includes some alluvium	Steeply-dipping chaotic scree dep and talus cones; peripheral to cliff-bounded volc plateau remnants where talus cones coalesce to form debris apron
		<u>Qa, Qa₁, Qha</u> Pleistocene, Holocene	to 500	YULE, PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA, SW HUON- SAG SAG, SAMARAI, ABAU, SALAMAUA, TUFI- CAPE NELSON, SE MARKHAM, S WAU: Alluvium, littoral and beach deposits: gravel, sand, silt, carbonaceous mud, clay; some swamps and organic remains locally. Older alluvium includes poorly consol- idated conglomerate, sandstone, silt- stone, shale. Raised coral reef in Port Moresby-Kalo-Aroa	In Samarai, Salamaua, and Abau, coastal plains and river valleys. Unconf on Kuta Volc and East Cape Gb in Samarai. In Tufi-Cape Nelson, contains some alluv Au locally. In Markham, alluv Au still worked in river gv. In Yule and Port Moresby-Kalo-Aroa, dep currently accumu- lating; locally contain mt but not in economic quantities; locally gv from river courses used as road agg
		<u>Qt</u> Pleistocene, Holocene (At least in part in- cluded in Tmm ⁴)	60	YULE: Alluvial terraces: unconsolidated deposits of boulders and rounded cobbles admixed with gravel and sand; predom- inantly volcanic material	Fluv dep derived from reworked scree form elongate gravel banks which coalesce to form terraces
		<u>Qpc</u> Pleistocene (At least in part in- cluded in Tmm ⁴)	6	YULE: Raised reef: cavernous coralgall reef limestone with large solitary corals apparently in position of growth; raised reef and chaotic reef talus	Remnants of former fringing reef complex. Unconf on Chiria Fm. Reefal fauna of corals, algae, bry, biv, gast
		<u>Qp</u> Pleistocene?-Holocene (At least partly in- cluded in Tmm ⁴)		WAU: Coarse unsorted angular conglomer- ate; unconsolidated gravel, sand, and silt in uplifted flood plains	Cgl torrentially dep near Wau; fluv sed

Qa ⁴ (contd)	<u>Ubo and Wakioki Fanglo-</u> 50 <u>merates</u> (Qhu, Qhx) Holocene	E TUFI-CAPE NELSON: Gravel, sand, silty clay with scattered large subangular boulders	
	<u>Kwagira Beds, Agaun</u> 100-500 <u>Conglomerate, and</u> <u>Silimidi Conglomerate</u> (Qpk, Qpa, Qps) Pleistocene (At least in part included in Tp ⁴)	TUFI-CAPE NELSON: Conglomerate, poorly sorted sandstone, siltstone; marl locally	Kwagira Beds mostly non-marine; no age evidence; lap on to Tapio Marl. Agaun Cgl raised former alluv; overlies Goropu Metabs and Yau Gb with angular unconf. Silimidi Cgl also raised former alluv; overlies Domara R Cgl with angular unconf; interf with Sivai Brec Mem, Ibau Brec; no definite age evidence; tilted but not folded

Units not differentiated, at least in part, from Qa⁴ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Port Moresby-Kalo-Aroa: 1 Mio-e Plio Yaifa Fm, Kupiano Beds, and Siro Cgl (see Tmm-p⁴); and e-m Mio Kido Lst (see Tmm⁴)

Quaternary	Qv ⁴	<u>Sivai Breccia Member</u> Individual (of Silimidi Conglomer- sheets ate) 10-20 (Qpv) Pleistocene (At least in part included in Qs ⁴ , TT)	TUFI-CAPE NELSON: Ultramafic breccia; peridotite clasts in matrix of finer peridotite grains*	Origin probably colluvial or volc (i.e., fluidized by volc gasses). Sheets interbedded with Silimidi Cgl; pipes reportedly intrude Tectonite ultram. No definite evidence of age. Erosion surfaces probably too young to permit dev of Ni residual soils
		<u>Manna Volcanics</u> 750 (Qm) Pleistocene-Holocene	NW TUFI-CAPE NELSON, NE PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA: Rhyodacitic and rhyolitic ash and lava; much ash-flow deposits	In Tufi-Cape Nelson, small volc cones and tholoids; larger dissected ash cones; interf with Uoivi Volc; overlaps Sesara Volc and Lokanu Volc; some ash layers dated at 10 000 and 80 000 years by K-Ar method. In Port Moresby-Kalo-Aroa, small linear volc complex of similar age; interf with Uoivi Volc; partly overlie Lokanu Volc, Cumulate gb, Sesara Volc, Managalase Volcanics, and Hydrographers Range Volc

Quaternary	Qv ⁴ (contd)	<u>Qpg</u> Pleistocene (At least partly included in TT)	to 300	NE PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA: Andesitic ash	Distal ash dep, possibly related to Hydrographers Ra Volc; interf with Managalase Volc; unconf on Tectonite ultram, Cumulate ultram, Cumulate gb, and Granular gb
		<u>Managalase Volcanics</u> (Qpma) Pleistocene	500	NE PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA: Andesitic ash; minor agglomerate and some mud flows	Distal apron of finer pyroclastics and volc derived sed, possibly assoc with stratovolcano of Hydrographers Ra Volc. Age from degree of dissection, and possibly from relat with Hydrographers Ra Volc. Unconf on Tectonite ultram, Cumulate ultram, Granular gb, and Sesara Volcanics
		<u>Qpu</u> Pleistocene		NE PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA: Andesitic and basaltic volcanics, including lava; little known	Small volc complex; possibly related to other Pleist volc. Unconf on Tectonite ultram, Cumulate ultram, Granular gb, and KTk
		<u>Efogi Volcanics</u> (Qpe) Pleistocene (At least partly included in JK ⁴)	60	PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA: Porphyritic basaltic to andesitic lava; shoshonitic affinities*	Local volc activity, probably related to fracturing as result of regional uplift; mostly valley-fill dep. Unconf on Kagi Metam. Age estimated from degree of dissection
		<u>Qpa</u> Pleistocene (At least partly included in Tou ⁴)	to 50	S MARKHAM: Tuffaceous and calcareous sand and gravel; acid and intermediate volcanic components derived from Mt Yelia	Lake dep; lake formed by volc activity of Mt Yelia. Plant remains
		<u>Qhw, Qvy</u> Pleistocene-Holocene		WAU, S MARKHAM: Dacitic lava, agglomerate, crystal tuff; locally andesitic lava, obsidian	Qhw derived from Koranga volcano near Wau; volcano still retains crater form. Qvy derived from recent volc activity at Mt Yelia
		<u>Waiowa Volcanics</u> (Qhw) Holocene	25	CENTRAL TUFU-CAPE NELSON: Andesitic ash and unconsolidated agglomerate	Products of Waiowa volcano erupted in 1943-4

Qv ⁴ (contd)	<u>Victory Volcanics</u> (Qv) Pleistocene-Holocene	2500	TUFI-CAPE NELSON: Andesite, basaltic andesite; minor basaltic and dacitic flows; agglomerate; unconsolidated pyroclastics	Stratovolcano with breached central vent and small subsidiary eruptive centres
	<u>Sesagara Volcanics</u> (Qz) Pleistocene-Holocene	to 300	TUFI-CAPE NELSON: Mainly andesitic pyroclastics	
	<u>Uoivi Volcanics</u> (Qu) Pleistocene-Holocene	600	NE PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA, NW TUFI-CAPE NELSON: Basaltic and andesitic lava flows with shoshonitic affinities*	In Port Moresby-Kalo-Aroa, lava flows, flow domes, scoria mounds, cinder cones, and explosion craters in places; volc cluster; interf with Manna Volc; partly overlies Lokanu Volc, Sesara Volc, Hydrographers Ra Volc, Manag-alase Volc; K-Ar dates range from 0.08-0.35 m.y. In Tufi-Cape Nelson, overlaps Sesara Volc and Lokanu Volc
	<u>Hydrographers Range Volcanics</u> (Qph) Pleistocene (At least in part included in Qpu ⁴)	to 2500	NW TUFI-CAPE NELSON, PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA: Basalt, andesitic and dacitic agglomerate, ash and lava	Dissected stratovolcano. Unconf on Lokanu Volc and Tectonite ultram; underlies Mt Lamington Volc, Uoivi Volc, and Manna Volc. Dated as 0.67-1.45 m.y. by K-Ar method
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Qpv ⁴	<u>Mount Lamington Volcanics</u> (Q1) Pleistocene-Holocene	200	PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA: Andesitic ash and agglomerate*	Outer ash slopes of Mt Lamington volcano. In fault contact with and probably overlies Tectonite ultram; overlies Hydrographers Ra Volc. Age up to 0.09±0.01 m.y. by C ¹⁴ method
	<u>Cape Nelson Volcanics</u> (Qpn) Pleistocene	to 2500	TUFI-CAPE NELSON: Andesite, basaltic andesite; minor basalt and dacite flows, agglomerate, unconsolidated pyroclastics	Dissected volcano. Age estimated from degree of dissection. Lapped on by Victory Volc on Cape Nelson pen

Unit not differentiated, at least in part, from Qpv⁴ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Port Moresby-Kalo-Aroa and Tufi-Cape Nelson: Pleist Hydrographers Ra Volc (see Qv⁴)

Quaternary	Qs ⁴	<u>Qs</u> Pleistocene-Holocene	to 100	S TUFI-CAPE NELSON, SALAMAUA: Colluvium: chaotic deposits of angular rock fragments in fine matrix; some alluvium	Landslide and creep dep
		<u>Qc</u> Quaternary	to 50	TUFI-CAPE NELSON, SAMARAI: Raised coral reef	In Tufi-Cape Nelson, source of lime. In Samarai, unconf on Kutu Volc and East Cape Gb
		<u>Ibau Breccia</u> (Qpi) Pleistocene (At least in part included in Tp ⁴ , Tt)	to 150	TUFI-CAPE NELSON: Ultramafic breccia of peridotite clasts in finer matrix; thick chaotic deposits	Origin probably colluvial. Might be later equiv of Sivai Brec Mem; overlies Tectonite ultram, Goropu Metabs, and probably Domara R Cgl and Silimidi Cgl. Erosion surfaces probably too young to permit dev of Ni residual soils
		<u>Ararabu Conglomerate</u> (Qpar) Pleistocene (At least in part included in To)	80	PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA: Poorly consolidated conglomerate, sandstone, and siltstone	Lake and alluv sed dep in small tectonically controlled basins. Unconf on Bomuguina Beds, Sadowa Gb, Gidobada Lst, Kwikila Aglm, and Kupiano Beds. No definite age evidence except for strat relat and poor consolidation. Used for road-making agg

Units not differentiated, at least in part, from Qs⁴ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Tufi-Cape Nelson: Pleist Sivai Brec Mem (see Qv⁴); and Plio Cloudy Bay Volc (see Tp⁴). In Port Moresby-Kalo-Aroa: Eo Bomuguina Beds (see Te⁴)

Pliocene-Quaternary	TpQp	<u>Edie Porphyry</u> (Tpp, Tpc) Pliocene (At least in part included in JK ⁴)	E WAU, SE MARKHAM: Biotite and hornblende andesite and dacite, porphyry stocks and dykes, many hydrothermally altered*	Several phases of po intr; main intr antedates Bulolo Aglm. Dated by K-Ar method as 3.5 m.y.; many intr probably younger and possibly main Au mineralizers; isolated K-Ar dating of 2.5 m.y. from one of younger po. Intrudes Owen Stanley Metam; frag constitute large part of Bulolo Aglm and Namie Brec
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Pliocene- Quaternary	TpQp (contd)	<u>Bonua Porphyry</u> (Tpb) Pliocene	S TUFI-CAPE NELSON: Microdiorite and micro-monzonite porphyry stocks and related lamprophyre dykes*	Dykes within ultram rocks. Possibly related to volc of Domara R Cgl and its Musa Volc Mem. Age based on K-Ar date of 5.3 ± 0.2 m.y. (biotite). Possible source of Au and Cu and possible agent in Ni sulphide mineraliz	
Pliocene	Tp ⁴	<u>Kwinimaga Sandstone</u> (TpK) Pliocene?	200	TUFI-CAPE NELSON: Sandstone, conglomerate, siltstone, claystone	Cyclic dep, possibly marginal marine. Overlies Ruaba Sst with angular unconf; possible later equiv of Awaitapu Clst. Undatable plant fossils
		<u>Domara River Conglomerate</u> (Tpd) Pliocene	1500	TUFI-CAPE NELSON, E PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA: Polymictic conglomerate, sandstone, siltstone, mudstone; moderately consolidated; some agglomerate and lava*	In Tufi-Cape Nelson, entirely non-marine or possibly with minor shallow marine intcal; dep in intermontane basin during uplift of Tectonite ultram, Granular gb, Lokanu Volc, Kutu Volc, etc; age tentatively based on K-Ar date of related? dyke of Bonua Po (5.3 ± 0.2 m.y., biot), and of volc clast (2.36 ± 0.05 m.y., whole rock). In Port Moresby-Kalo-Aroa, unconf on Papuan Ultram Belt, Kagi Metam, Emo Metam, Kemp Welch Beds, and Kutu Volc; contains gast, some biv, and carb wood
		<u>Musa Volcanic Member</u> (of Domara River Conglomerate) (Tpz) Pliocene	130	E PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA, W TUFI-CAPE NELSON: Basaltic agglomerate with shoshonitic affinities*	Remnants of volc cone(s). Interbedded with basal portion of Domara R Cgl. In Tufi-Cape Nelson, unconf on Tectonite ultram, Granular gb, and Lokanu Volc
		<u>Apinaipi Formation</u> (TpN) Pliocene	200	See Tmm-p ⁴ (Port Moresby-Kalo-Aroa)	

Pliocene	rp ⁴ (contd)	<u>Cloudy Bay Volcanics</u> (Tpc, Tpt) Pliocene (At least partly included in Qs ⁴)	200-300	SW TUFU-CAPE NELSON, NW ABAU, SE PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA: Basaltic and andesitic pyroclastics and lava; porphyritic, vesicular; shoshonitic affinities* Tpt: also tuff and tuffaceous sandstone (little known) in Port Moresby-Kalo-Aroa	In Tufu-Cape Nelson, facies equiv? of Domara R Cgl and its member; unconf on Kutu Volc. In Abau, probably unconf on Juliade Lst and Kutu Volc. In Port Moresby-Kalo-Aroa, unconf on Kutu Volc; tentatively corr with Tpy, Kwikila Aglm, Astrolabe Aglm, and Mt Davidson Volc. Tpt unconf on Kutu Volc and Bomuguina Beds; probably related to Cloudy Bay Volc
		<u>Awaitapu Claystone</u> (TpW) Pliocene	350	TUFU-CAPE NELSON: Claystone, laminated marl; some sandstone, siltstone, conglomerate	Overlies Ruaba Sst with angular unconf. Age of N outcrop from microfoss; age of SW outcrop inferred
		<u>Gwoira Conglomerate</u> (Tpr) Pliocene	1000	E TUFU-CAPE NELSON: Poorly sorted conglomerate; sandstone, siltstone	Dep in high-energy envir during rapid uplift of Kutu Volc; N margin subsequently uplifted. Unconf on Goropu Metabs and Tectonite ultram
		<u>Tpa, Uga Sandstone, and Mailu Sandstone</u> (Tpu, Tpl) Pliocene	to 500	NW, NE ABAU, SAMARAI, SE TUFU-CAPE NELSON: Poorly consolidated sandstone, siltstone, conglomerate	In Abau, fluv sed raised, tilted, and folded; unconf on Juliade Lst. In Samarai, Abau, and Tufu-Cape Nelson, fluv and shallow marine? sed unconf on Kutu Volc
		<u>Fife Bay Volcanics and Mount Suau Member</u> (Tpf, Tpfs) Pliocene	500; member 300 in Samarai	SE ABAU, SAMARAI: Basaltic and andesitic lava, agglomerate, and tuff; some pillow lava; minor tuffaceous sedimentary rocks; many dykes*. 200 m of 'welded' basaltic agglomerate (Tpfs) in Samarai only	In Abau, unconf on Badila Beds. In Samarai unconf on Kutu Volc, Badila Beds, Modewa R Beds; member unconf on Kutu Volc, Modewa R Beds; may be basal part of Fife Bay Volc
		<u>Tm1</u> 1 Miocene-1 Pliocene	300	SE YULE: Calcareous and non-calcareous siltstone; minor mudstone and tuffaceous sandstone	Closer to source of sed than Miaru Mdst; only known equiv of Miaru Mdst in Ovoi area; conf on Lavao Fm; conf below Apinaipi Fm
		<u>Babwaf Conglomerate</u> (Tpb) Pliocene	1300+	S MARKHAM: Massive pebble and cobble conglomerate; subordinate coarse micaceous sandstone and siltstone; well sorted, poorly indurated	Shallow-water sed in partly faulted syncline; last phase of sedimentation in Aure Trough. Unconf on Langimar Beds, Omaura Gwke, and Owen Stanley Metam. Contains plant remains and Mio and Plio foram. Regarded as Plio on field

Tp⁴
(contd)

WAU: Thickly bedded polymictic conglomerate and minor interbedded lithic sandstone, silty calcareous mudstone, and brecciated conglomeratic coral limestone

relat and similarity to Leron Fm. In Wau, contains Mio-Plio foram

E MARKHAM: See Tp⁶(under Region 6)

Leron Formation
(Tp1)
Pliocene

Tp
Pliocene 650-1600

S WAU: In E, poorly consolidated conglomerate, sandstone, mudstone, tuffaceous sandstone, and interbedded dacite and andesite pyroclastics; in W, sandstone, siltstone, and mudstone, commonly calcareous or carbonaceous; pebble conglomerate and coral limestone concretions

Conf on 1 Mio (Tg stage) rocks; overlaps onto Owen Stanley Metam. Abd foram; barren top of unit might be Pleist

Otibanda Formation
(Tpo)
Pliocene to 765

NE WAU: Poorly consolidated tuffaceous siltstone, sandstone, conglomerate, tuff

Lake and fluv envir. Unconf on Edie Po, Bulolo Aglm, Owen Stanley Metam. Contains vertebrate foss. 3.5 m.y. old by K-Ar method on biot, hbl, plag

Bulolo Agglomerate
(Tpg)
Pliocene 300+

NW WAU: Massive dacitic and andesitic agglomerate with minor tuff bands; rare obsidian flows

Unconf on Morobe Gd. Derived from several centres of eruption; 3.5 m.y. old by K-Ar determination on biot, hbl, plag

Namie Breccia
(Tpv)
Pliocene

NE WAU: Volcanic breccia of angular fragments of schist and dacitic and andesitic porphyry in fine-grained hydrothermally altered matrix; vague banding and some tuff beds discernible in upper parts

Pipes probably diatremes, up to 1 km across, intruding Owen Stanley Metam. Erupted at about same time as Bulolo Aglm. Host rock for some Au; contains veins and stringers of mangano-calcite, rhodocrosite, qtz, auriferous py, sphalerite, marmatite, galena, free Au; sulphides also dissem

Pliocene

Tp ⁴ (contd)	Sesara Volcanics	550	NE PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA, NW TUFU-CAPE NELSON: Basaltic agglomerate, lava, tuff; Lokanu Volc, Granular gb, High-level gb; over-shoshonitic affinities; minor volcanic sandstone*	Remnants of large central volcano. Unconf on lain by Qpma, Manna Volc, Uoivi Volc. Dated by K-Ar method as 5.4-5.7 m.y.
	(Tps) 1 Miocene-e Pliocene			

Pliocene

Units not differentiated, at least in part, from Tp⁴ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Tufu-Cape Nelson: Pleist Ibau Brec (see Qs⁴); and Pleist Kwagira Beds, Agaun Cgl, and Silimidi Cgl (see Qa⁴). In Abau: 1 Oligo?-m Mio Magavara Syenite (see Tmm). In Port Moresby-Kalo-Aroa: Eo Bomuguina Beds (see Te⁴). In Huon-Sag Sag and E Markham: Plio Leron Fm (see Tp⁶)

Late Miocene - Pliocene	Tmm-p ⁴	<u>Apinaipi Formation</u> (Tpn, Tpn ₁) Pliocene (At least in part included in Tmu ⁴)	2000 in Yule; 200 in Port Moresby-Kalo-Aroa	PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA, YULE: Immature calcareous tuffaceous sandstone, pebble and cobble conglomerate, siltstone, mudstone; minor reefal limestone, volcanic agglomerate, tuff, brecciated lava*	Dep during period of rapid uplift and renewed volc; rapid facies variations from fluv to deltaic to littoral to shallow-water marine envir. In Yule, locally unconf flanks Lavao Fm; conf on Miaru Mdst; interf with and conf on Wedge Hill Lst; to E largely derived from and partly overlies contemp Mt Davidson Volc; poorly preserved foram, algae, bry; many plant remains, silicified wood, frag biv and gast; shallow-water marine and brackish-water Plio assem identified; post-Tg; cgl used as road agg. In Port Moresby-Kalo-Aroa, unconf on Lavao Fm
		<u>Tpy</u> Pliocene	150	PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA: Basaltic and andesitic pyroclastics; minor lava	Subaerial dep of volc. Tentatively corr with Mt Davidson Volc and Astrolabe Aglm; unconf on Kagi Metam, Kemp Welch Beds, Port Moresby Beds, Kutu Volc, Sadowa Gb
		<u>Wedge Hill Limestone</u> (Tpw) Pliocene	350	COASTAL YULE: Coralgall limestone, calcareous sandstone, pebble conglomerate; minor calcareous mudstone and siltstone; mudstone interbedded with resistant limestone at base; reef-derived sediments	Linear reef complex on rising anticlines forming tectonic islands; reefs initially flanked by own debris, but generally dev of 1st inhibited by rapid encroachment of Apinaipi Fm sed. Conf on Miaru Mdst; conf below and interf with Apinaipi Fm; deeper-water mdst (Miaru Mdst) grades up into calc mdst overlain by shallow-water calc facies (Wedge Hill Lst); molluscs, echino spines, bry, reef-assoc larger benth foram. Used as road agg

Tmm-p ⁴	(Kwikila Agglomerate	80	PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA: Basaltic and	Subaerial dep of frag volc close to volc
(contd)	(Tpk)		andesitic agglomerate; minor inter-	centre. Tentatively corr with Mt Davidson
	(Pliocene		bedded tuff; tuffaceous sandstone and	Volc and Astrolabe Aglm; unconf on Sadowa
	(		volcanic conglomerate confined to	Gb and Gidobada Lst. Aglm potential source
	(		base of unit*	of agg
	(
	(Astrolabe Agglomerate	300	PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA: Basaltic and	Dep of nuee ardente-type and airfall
	(Tpa)		minor andesitic laharc agglomerate and	pyroclastics and also reworked volc in
	(Pliocene		tuff with interbeds of volcanically	form of avalanches, lahars, and volc derived
	(		derived conglomerate and sandstone*	sed in shallow lakes in tectonically con-
	(			trolled depression. Volc centre unknown. Up
	(			part of Mt Cameron volc comp (m Mio to
	(			Plio). Unconf on Kagi Metam, Kemp Welch
	(			Beds, Port Moresby Beds, Sadowa Gb; conf
	(			on Siro Cgl; probably corr of Mt Davidson
	(			Volc. Coniferous wood, casts of tree logs
	(			and trunks. Exploration for bx not successful;
	(			matrix-poor aglm used for concrete agg for
	(			local hydroelectric scheme
	(
	(Mount Davidson	600 in Yule;	YULE, NW PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA: Basaltic	In Yule, subaerial volc - pyroclastics and lava
	(Volcanics	to 600 in Port	and minor andesitic agglomerate, tuff,	brec with intcal laharc and fluv sed;
	(Tpda)	Moresby-Kalo-	lava, lava breccia, with intercalated	eruptive centres not identified; paraconf on
	(Pliocene	Aroa	volcanically derived coarse conglomerate	Yaifa Fm; grades later into and partly overlain
	(		and sandstone increasing	by derived contemp Apinaipi Fm; no dating from
	(			foss, but adjacent, probably contemp Apinaipi
	(			Fm contains Plio foram and overlies Tg stage
	(			mdst. In Port Moresby-Kalo-Aroa, unconf on Kagi
	(			Metam, Kemp Welch Beds, Port Moresby Beds?;
	(			conf on Yaifa Fm; age from contemp Apinaipi Fm
	(
	(Yaifa Formation	300 in Yule; to	SE YULE, PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA: Massive,	In Yule, fluv and lake sed derived from and
	(Tmy)	100 in Port	tuffaceous sandstone with pebble horizons	dep over Talama Volc and accumulated locally
	(1 Miocene-e Pliocene	Moresby-Kalo-Aroa	which grade through paraconglomerate	during period of volc quiescence; possibly
	(At least in part in-		into massive cobble conglomerate with	shallow-marine in part in core of Kurai Anti-
	(cluded in Qa ⁴)		tuffaceous sandstone matrix; lenses of	cline. Age based on probable equiv to Miaru
	(soft siltstone, mudstone, and claystone*	Mdst; paraconf on Talama Volc; paraconf below

Late Miocene - Pliocene

Mount Cameron volcanic complex

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Tmm-p⁴
(contd)

Late Miocene - Pliocene

Miaru Mudstone 1800 (Tmu);
(Tmu, Tmn) 300 (Tmn)
1 Miocene-e Pliocene
(Included in Tmu⁴)

COASTAL YULE: Tmu: Soft, finely bedded mudstone, shale; minor thin interbeds of siltstone, sandstone, limestone, and conglomerate; in places volcanic interbeds towards base; local conglomerate. Tmn: Calcareous and non-calcareous siltstone, minor mudstone, and tuffaceous sandstone

Tmu: Overlain and underlain by shallow-water marine sed; in far NW, conf on Aure Beds; elsewhere, on Talama Volc and probably Lavao Fm; probably contemp with fluv Yaifa Fm; in coastal anticline, conf below Wedge Hill Lst and elsewhere below Apinaipi Fm; contains abd pelagic foram of Tg stage; shallow-water benthonic foram at intervals. Tmn: Local equiv of Miaru Mdst; conf on Lavao Fm; conf below Apinaipi Fm; closer to source of sed than Miaru Mdst

Ruaba Sandstone 3500
(Tmr)
m Miocene-Pliocene

TUFI-CAPE NELSON: Lithic sandstone, polymictic conglomerate, siltstone; some silty claystone and tuff

On Cape Vogel Pen, unconf below Awaitapu Clst. Some plant remains. Maximum age based on e Tf foram. Reported petrol gas and oil shows in three shallow wells drilled in 1927-8

Units not differentiated, at least in part, from Tmm-p⁴ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Port Moresby-Kalo-Aroa: Pleist-Holo Qs (see Qa⁴). In Yule: Pleist-Holo Qhc (see Qa⁴); and Jur?-Cret Kagi Metam and L Cret-Eo Auga Beds (see JK⁴). In Tufi-Cape Nelson: 1 Mio Tapio Marl (see Tmu⁴)

Late Miocene

Tmu⁴

Tmu 400-2000
1 Miocene

Oveia Diorite
(Tmo)
1 Miocene?
(Partly at least included in JK⁴)

S, SW WAU: Marl, mudstone, and siltstone, with interbeds of argillaceous sandstone, pebble conglomerate, and coral and algal limestone towards base; conglomerate predominates to E

Unconf on m Mio shelf and trough facies. Abd Tg foram in mdst; basal beds probably 1 Tf

N PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA: Diorite, monzonite

Partly unroofed stock, probably related to Mio and Plio volc. Intrudes Kagi Metam and Emo Metam; minor py mineraliz on joint surfaces

Tapio Marl 60
(Tmt)
1 Miocene
(Included in Tmm-p⁴)

TUFI-CAPE NELSON: Marl and shale with interbedded limestone and thin lenses of sandstone and conglomerate

On Cape Vogel Pen, conf on Castle Hill Lst; later equiv of and unconf below Ruaba Sst. Dated by foram

Late Miocene	Tmu ⁴ (contd)	<u>Lavao Formation</u> (Tml) 1 Miocene (Included in Tmm ⁴)	600; lenses to 200	YULE, NW PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA: Calcareous tuffaceous sandstone and conglomerate, lenses of biohermal limestone with reef debris*. Lenses of coralgall limestone with calcareous sandstone; breccia, siltstone, and mudstone mapped separately	Shallow-water marine lagoonal envir in which biohermal reefs flanked and intermittently engulfed by reef talus and coarse-grained tuffaceous sed from adjacent delta complex. Conf on Chiria Fm; unconf below Apinaipi Fm; may be unconf below Miaru Mdst in concealed synclinal cores; interf with Talama Volc and Aure Beds. Contains 1 Tf larger benth and plank foram; corals, algae, bry, biv, gast also present
		<u>Tms</u> 1 Miocene (Included in Tmm ⁴)	0-800	S-CENTRAL WAU: Biohermal limestone and marl grading laterally into marl, limestone, with some sandstone and conglomerate	Unconf on Omaura Gwke and Owen Stanley Metam; abd foram (e Tf) in calc beds
Units not differentiated from Tmu ⁴ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Yule: Plio Apinaipi Fm and 1 Mio-e Plio Miaru Mdst (see Tmm-p ⁴)					
Middle Miocene	Tmm ⁴	<u>Chiria Formation</u> (Tmc) m Miocene	1700+ (base not exposed in Yule); 1200 in Port Moresby-Kalo-Aroa	PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA, SE YULE: Grey-wacke sandstone, siltstone, mudstone; minor pebble and cobble conglomerate; calcareous sandstone, mudstone, siltstone, and minor limestone increase towards top; mudstone increases near base	Rapidly dep in open marine, but nearshore envir on E margin of Aure Trough; immature sed derived from emerging metam and volc terrain to N and E. To W probably grades into trough facies Aure Beds; to E probably grades later to Tmt; grades conf up into Lavao Fm; probably overlies shallow-water marine Te stage (Tmx) sed. Dated as e Tf by larger benth and plank foram. Contains Eo and Te-stage derived 1st clasts. Frag microfoss occur throughout
		<u>Gidobada Limestone</u> (Tmg) m Miocene (Partly at least included in Tou ⁴)	to 100	PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA: Reefal limestone, calcarenite, calcirudite	Reef complex. Unconf on Port Moresby Beds; non-conf on Sadowa Gb; conf on Kore Volc; unconf below Kwikila Aglm. Dated by larger benth foram; tabulate and rugose corals, frag biv and gast also present. Potential raw material for cement manufacture

Middle Miocene	Tmm ⁴ (contd)	<u>Iauga Formation</u> (Tmi) m Miocene	c.1500	S-CENTRAL SALAMAU: Basalt tuff, mostly shallow-marine, some subaerial	Unconf on Eia Beds. Dated by larger foram (e Tf)
		<u>Langimar Beds</u> (Tmg) m Miocene	to 3000, thins to S	S-CENTRAL MARKHAM: Volcanolithic pebble and cobble conglomerate in tuffaceous matrix; lenses of silty sandstone, basaltic and andesitic agglomerate near base; large detritus limestone lenses; finer-grained and thinner towards S	Shelf facies of late-stage sed in Aure Trough. Unconf on Omaura Gwke and Owen Stanley Metam; unconf below Babwaf Cgl; equiv of Yaveufa Fm to NW. Abd foram in 1st lenses
			500-3600	N-CENTRAL WAU: Conglomerate and sandstone, interbedded marl, mudstone and calcarenite to N, with basaltic and andesitic lava and pyroclastics in bottom half; silty mudstone and siltstone with sandstone, grit, and conglomerate to S; biohermal limestone	Unconf on Omaura Gwke and Owen Stanley Metam. Abd e Tf foram in calc beds
		<u>Castle Hill Limestone</u> (Tmh) m Miocene	120	E TUFU-CAPE NELSON: Reef limestone and calcarenite, moderately to thickly bedded; basal conglomerate	Basal cgl laps on to Dabi Volc; unconf on Woruka Slst; conf below Tapio Marl. Dated as e Tf by foram. Possible source of lime
		<u>Kido Limestone</u> (Tmki) e-m Miocene (At least in part included in Qa ⁴)	200+	PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA: Fossiliferous limestone; fine-grained, well bedded, locally contains volcanic material, partly recrystallized	Reef complex. Although partly younger, may be corr with l Oligo to e Mio sed and volcs; possibly facies equiv and partly time-equiv of Boera Lst, Bootless Inlet Lst, Dokuna Tuff. Dated by larger benth foram; corals, echino, bry, biv, cirripeds, and <u>Lithothamnium</u> also present
		<u>Adau Limestone</u> (Tma) e-m Miocene	100	SW TUFU-CAPE NELSON: Reef limestone and shelly calcarenite	Unconf on Kutu Volc. Dated by foram (l Te, e Tf). Possible source of lime

Units not differentiated, at least in part, from Tmm⁴ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Yule: Quat Qt, Qpc, and Qp (see Qa⁴); m-1 Mio Aure Beds and e Mio Tmx (see Tml⁴); and Eo? Aibala Volc (see Te). In Wau: 1 Mio Tms (see Tmm⁴); and Eo Te (see Te⁴). In Salamaua: Eo Eia Beds (see Te⁴). In Port Moresby-Kalo-Aroa: 1 Mio Lavao Fm (see Tmu⁴)

Tmm	<u>Mai'iu Monzonite</u> (Tpx) l Miocene-e Pliocene	S TUFI-CAPE NELSON: Xenolithic granodiorite, biotite monzonite, biotite hornblendite*	Intrudes Goropu Metabs and probably Granular gb and Tectonite ultram. Dated by K-Ar method as 4.37, 6.03, and 6.76 m.y. (hbl)
	<u>Suckling Granite</u> (Tmk) l Miocene	TUFI-CAPE NELSON: Medium and coarse granite	Intrudes Tectonite ultram and Goropu Metabs; may be intruded by Mai'iu Monz. K-Ar ages based on hbl (9.4 and 10.8 m.y.) and biot (3.2 and 3.3 m.y.), and may indicate uplift about 3.3 m.y. ago
	<u>Morobe Granodiorite</u> (Tmm) m Miocene	E WAU, NW SALAMAU, SE MARKHAM: Granodiorite, adamellite; subordinate monzonite, diorite, and pegmatite	In Wau, intrudes Owen Stanley Metam; relat with Omapura Gwke and Langimar Beds not known; possibly contemporaneous with basal volc of Langimar Beds in E Wau. In Salamaua, probably postdates some movements on Owen Stanley Fault system. In Markham, contemporaneous with Bismarck Intr Comp; dated by K-Ar and Rb-Sr methods as 12 m.y. and 14.5 m.y. Source of some Au in Wau and SE Markham
	<u>Magavara Syenite</u> (Tmm) l Oligocene?-m Miocene (At least in part included in Tp ⁴)	ABAU, SAMARAI: Syenite, monzonite, minor gabbro; trachybasalt, latite, sanidine melanite porphyry dykes	Disseminated py, minor alluv Au S of Dogura Bay
	<u>Imudat Monzonite</u> (Tmi) l Oligocene?-m Miocene	ABAU: Monzonite, minor trachyandesite	Intrudes Kutu Volc. Disseminated py and minor alluv Au
	<u>Gabahusuhusu Syenite</u> (Tmg, Tmg ¹) l Oligocene?-m Miocene	SAMARAI: Syenite, monzonite, diorite, minor gabbro; dunite mapped separately (Tmg ¹)	Intrudes Kutu Volc. Minor Au and Pt mineralization
	<u>Ulo Ulo, Watuti, and Sige Lele Gabbros</u> (Tmo, Tmw, Tmw ¹ , Tmb) l Oligocene?-m Miocene	SAMARAI: Gabbro; in places monzonite, pyroxenite; dunite mapped separately (Tmw ¹)	Intrude Kutu Volc. Ulo Ulo Gb has Cu and Au mineralization, disseminated py, and possibly Pt. Watuti Gb overlain by Mt Suau Mem of Fife Bay Volc; has disseminated py; may be source of alluv Pt. Sige Lele Gb contains disseminated py and ch

Tm1	<u>Tmi</u> Miocene-Pliocene (Partly at least included in JK ⁴)		NE YULE: Hornblendediorite, augite microdiorite, intrusive augite and hornblende andesite, augite, hornblende, and minor biotite monzonite, pyroxene gabbro/diorite, feldspar-hornblende-biotite granodiorite; leucocratic, fine to medium, weakly pyritic, and partly silicified*	Part of Mio-Plio volc complex. Intrudes Kagi Metam, Auga Beds, Aibala Volc, Talama Volc, Yaifa Fm, Mt Davidson Volc. Age based on probable relat with Talama Volc and Mt Davidson Volc; intr postdate deformation of Kagi Metam, Auga Beds, Aibala Volc
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Tm1 ⁴	<u>Woruka Siltstone</u> (Tmz) e Miocene	45	SE TUFI-CAPE NELSON: Laminated siliceous siltstone and claystone; minor thin beds of glauconitic silty sandstone	Laps on to Dabi Volc; unconf overlain by Castle Hill Lst. Dated by foram
	<u>Aure Beds</u> (Tm) m Oligocene-1 Miocene (m-1 Miocene in Yule) (At least in part included in Tmm ⁴ , Tou ⁴)	2500-2900, thins to W in Wau and Markham; 1000-5700, thickens to E in Karimui; 2000 in Yule	W WAU: Greywacke and siltstone with minor interbedded marl, calcareous siltstone, argillaceous limestone, tuffaceous greywacke, lenses of pebble conglomerate; towards top commonly pebble and boulder conglomerate with abundant volcanic clasts.	Base not seen, but cgl contains pebbles of metam rocks; therefore unit probably unconf on Owen Stanley Metam. Abd foram (e Te-1 Tf: 1 Oligo-1 Mio)
			SW MARKHAM: Mainly well bedded turbidites; folded massive greywacke with subordinate siltstone, pebbly sandstone, shale; also pelagic limestone lenses	Turbidites dep in Aure Trough. Sequence repeated by much folding and faulting. Possibly unconf on Te; later equiv of Omaura Gwke and Movi Beds; unconf below Yaveufa Fm. Abd plank foram (Td-e Tf: m Oligo-m Mio)
			SE KARIMUI: Mainly massive siltstone; minor hard shale, marl, thin pelagic limestone beds; conglomerate, pebble greywacke, detrital and conglomeratic limestone, mudstone, greywacke siltstone	Apart from trans basin facies, formation consists largely of turbidites; rapid later and vertical variations; well bedded; contains facies trans to Darai Lst. Abd benth and plank foram (Te-Tf: 1 Oligo-m Mio); frag macrofoss
			NW YULE: Massive resistant medium to coarse poorly sorted greywacke, siltstone, and mudstone give way upsequence to thinly bedded fine greywacke inter-	Deep-water sed derived from emerging metam and volc terrain to N and E, and rapidly dep in Aure Trough. Locally grade upward through trans mdst into Miaru Mdst; base of unit not

Tml⁴
(contd)

Early Miocene

Tmx 100
1 Oligocene-e Miocene
(At least partly in-
cluded in Tmm⁴, JK⁴)

bedded with increasing proportion of
less resistant soft, finely laminated
siltstone and marly mudstone; minor
calcareous interbeds; rare lignitic
bands and carbonaceous lenses of
massive conglomerate

seen; in places overlain by Miaru Mdst;
offshore interf with Chiria Fm, Lavao Fm, Tmx?;
offshore overlain by thick Pleist-Holo sed.
Rare frag corals and molluscs; foram poor, but
beds can be corr with Aure Beds in Wau area

E YULE: Calcareous sandstone, lime-
stone, pebble conglomerate*

Shallow-water marine envir. Unconf on Kagi
Metam, Auga Beds, and Aibala Volc; to E,
probably disconf below Talama Volc; to W,
probably conf below Talama Volc, Chiria Fm;
probably interf with Aure Beds. Contains
coralgal reef faunas with larger benthic foram
assem (1? Te); many clasts contain derived
Eo faunas

Modewa River, Padowa, 200-1000
and Debolina Beds
(Tme, Tme¹, Tmp, Tmd)
1 Oligocene-Miocene

SAMARAI: Tuffaceous sandstone. Modewa
River Beds also contain limestone, tuff-
aceous siltstone, and graded-bedded
sandstone and siltstone

All unconf on Kutu Volc, and dated by foram;
Modewa R Beds also unconf on Badila Beds
and overlain by Fife Bay Volc and its Mt
Suau Mem

Unit not differentiated from Tml⁴ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Wau: Eo Te (see Te⁴)

Tou⁴

Kore Volcanics to 250
(Tmk)
m Miocene

PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA: Basaltic and
andesitic pyroclastics, lava, volcanic
sandstone; to E, includes fine-grained
marine tuff with volcanic conglomerate
near base

Subaerial and shallow marine volc; broken up,
altered, and weathered intermediate to basic
pyroclastics. Unconf on Port Moresby Beds;
non-conf on Sadowa Gb; conf below Gidobada Lst

Boera Limestone c.300
(Tmbo)
1 Oligocene-e Miocene

W PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA: Reefal lime-
stone, tuff, lapilli tuff, tuffaceous
sandstone, limestone breccia*

Reef complex, contemp volc, and erosion of
Port Moresby Beds and older landmass. In
fault contact with Port Moresby Beds;
possibly facies and time equiv of Bootless
Inlet Lst and Dokuma Tuff, and partly time
equiv of Kido Lst. Dated by larger benthic foram;
corals and indet plant remains also present;
some foss reworked from older units

Late Oligocene - Middle Miocene

Late Oligocene - Middle Miocene

Tou ⁴ (contd)	<u>Bootless Inlet</u> <u>Limestone</u> (Tmb) 1 Oligocene-e Miocene (Partly at least included in Te ⁴)	to 50	W PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA: Calcarenite with volcanic detritus; minor calcareous tuff	Patchy reef complex in shallow-marine enviro with nearby explosive volc; adjacent landmass probably to N. Deformed after dep. May be corr of Boera Lst. Dated by larger benth foram; sponge spicules, echino, and bry also present
	<u>Dabi Volcanics</u> (Tod) 1 Oligocene	50	E TUFI-CAPE NELSON: Basaltic lava, pillow lava; minor tuff, limestone	Probably represent basement of Cape Vogel Basin. Unconf overlain by Woruka Slst, etc. Dated by K-Ar whole-rock method as 28 ± 1 m.y. and by assoc Te foram; some conflicting evidence of Paleocene or older age
	<u>Omaura Greywacke</u> (Tou) m-1 Oligocene	3000+ in Markham	MARKHAM, WAU: Tuffaceous shale and sandstone interbedded with massive greywacke, pebble conglomerate, and lithic sandstone; extensive calcareous breccia near base; reef limestone lenses common; minor lava and pyroclastics; thick massive foraminiferal limestone locally near top	Turbidite sed in Aure Trough. Contains abd derived Eo foram in calc lenses, and hence considered unconf on Chimbu Lst; conf on Nasananka Cgl; unconf on Bena Bena Fm; unconf below Yaveufa Fm, Babwaf Cgl, lava and pyroclastics of Marawaka area, and Pleist lake beds; later equiv of part of Aure Beds; grades W into sed of trough facies; intruded by Elandora Po and Akuma Intr Comp. M-1 Oligo in Markham on abd foram

KARIMUI: See Tou³ (under Region 3)

Units not differentiated from Tou⁴ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Markham: Pleist Qpa (see Qv⁴). In Port Moresby-Kalo-Aroa: m Mio Gidobada Lst (see Tmm⁴); and m Oligo-1 Mio Aure Beds (see Tml⁴). In Wau: Eo Te (see Te⁴)

Oligocene - early Miocene

To	<u>Dokuna Tuff</u> (Tmd) 1 Oligocene-e Miocene (Included in Te ⁴)	80-500	W PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA: Andesitic and basaltic vitric, crystal, and lithic tuff; minor agglomerate; partly calcareous with volcanic fragments in brecciated limestone matrix	Submarine explosive volc with nearby reef growth. Interf with Bootless Inlet Lst; unconf on Port Moresby Beds; non-conf on Sadowa Gb; may be corr of Boera Lst and Kido Lst. Dated by larger benth foram in calc matrix; some Eo derived foram. Pavement agg for unsealed roads
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To (contd)	<u>Sadowa Gabbro</u> (Tos)	700+	PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA: To W, gabbro with medium to coarse granular allotriomorphic/hypidiomorphic, minor ophitic, and glomeroporphyritic textures; diorite and other acid differentiates (granophyre); to E, fine-grained gabbro, dolerite, basalt; generally gabbro chilled against host rock; low-K tholeiite composition*	Elongate intr (possibly partly extr) body of batholith size. Intrudes Kemp Welch Beds, Port Moresby Beds, and Kutu Volc; unconf below Bootless Inlet Lst, Dokuma Tuff, Kore Volc, Gidobada Lst, Siro Cgl, Astrolabe Aglm, Kwikila Aglm, and Tpy; intruded by shallow intr bodies related to Mt Cameron volc comp. Age from struc and strat contact relat with Port Moresby Beds, Dokuma Tuff, and Bootless Inlet Lst. Selected Cu mineraliz of dissem ch; secondary minerals cc, ml, az. Weathered gb used for surfacing roads
	1 Eocene-m Oligocene			
Units not differentiated from To on 1:1 000 000 map: In Port Moresby-Kalo-Aroa: Pleist Araraba Cgl (see Qs ⁴); 1 Mio-e Plio Siro Cgl (see Tmm-p ⁴); and e-m Eo Port Moresby Beds (see Te ⁴)				
Middle Eocene	<u>Imo Tonalite</u> (Tei) Eocene		E PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA, W TUFI-CAPE NELSON: Tonalite, some granophyric diorite	In Port Moresby-Kalo-Aroa, intrudes Cumulate gb, High-level gb, Lokanu Volc; age 50-55 m.y. from tentative corr with Eo tonalites in N part of Papuan Ultram Belt; potential for Au and Cu mineraliz. In Tufi-Cape Nelson intrudes only Lokanu Volc
	<u>Kui Tonalite</u> (Tek) Eocene		SALAMAU: Hornblende tonalite (quartz diorite), augite tonalite, and some diorite	Intrudes Tectonite ultram, Granular gb, High-level gb, and Lokanu Volc; genetically related? to volc component of Eia Beds. Source? of Au and Cu mineraliz; some late-stage alteration to qtz, ep, py, and ch
	<u>East Cape Gabbro</u> (Tee) m Eocene?		SAMARAI: Gabbro	Mineralogically similar to Kutu Volc; dissem py
	<u>Aibala Volcanics</u> (Tea) Eocene?	3000	E YULE: Spilitized submarine basalt intruded by dolerite dykes; minor lenses of chert, limestone, siltstone,	Submarine envir in which autobrec spilitized lavas intcal with deep-water siliceous mdst and chert. May interf with and possibly partly

Oligocene - early Miocene

Middle Eocene

Middle Eocene	Te (contd)	(At least in part in- cluded in Tmm ⁴)	shale*	overlie Auga Beds; unconf below Tmx and Talama Volc; Eo? age based on occurrence of Aibala Volc-type basalt within foss Eocene 1st of Auga Beds, on occurrence of chert horizons in both Aibala Volc and Auga Beds, and on intcal of Aibala Volc and Auga Beds locally	
Eocene	Te ⁴	<u>Bomuguina Beds</u> (Teb) Eocene (At least in part in- cluded in Qs ⁴ , Tp ⁴)	500+	SE PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA: Calcilutite, siltstone, sandstone; minor chert; well bedded	Dep in shelf and deep-sea envir. Possibly corr with Port Moresby Beds; unconf below Cloudy Bay Volc, Kupiano Beds, Ararabu Cgl. Dated by plank foram
		<u>Godaguina Beds</u> (Teg) Eocene	c.100	SW TUFU-CAPE NELSON: Marl and calcilutite	Probably lenticular body within Kutu Volc. Dated by foram
		<u>Juliade Limestone</u> (Tej) m Eocene	500-1000	ABAU: Limestone with flint nodules; finely interbedded limestone and chert	May conf overlie or interf with Kutu Volc. Dated by plank foram
		<u>Te</u> Eocene (Included in Tou ⁴ , Tml ⁴)		WAU: In S, siliceous marl and chert; in N, lenses of coral limestone with some conglomerate	Siliceous sed corr of Eo chert of Port Moresby Beds; 1st contains possibly derived Eo foram
		<u>Eia Beds</u> (Tee) (At least in part in- cluded in Tmm ⁴)		COASTAL SALAMAUA: Marine dacitic/andes- itic tuff, breccia, lava, volcanic necks	Unconf? on Lokanu Volc; unconf? below Iauga Fm. Volc component probably genetically related to Eo tonalites. Age based on plank foram
		<u>Kutu Volcanics</u> (KTK, KTK ₁ , KTK ₂) L Cretaceous-m Eocene (Partly at least in- cluded in Ku ⁴ , Te ⁵)	3000-4000 in Tufi-Cape Nelson;	TUFU-CAPE NELSON: Basaltic lava, pillow lava, dykes; minor calcilutite	Eo in W(KTK ₂), Cret in E (KTK ₁), based on foram in intcal 1st lenses (also in Samarai and Abau). Some ch and py in qtz veins; rare native Cu in lavas

Eocene	Te ⁴ (contd)	<u>Kutu Volcanics and</u> <u>Touiawaira Limestone</u> <u>Member</u> (KTK, KTK ₁ , KTK ₂ , Tet) m Eocene (Partly included at least in Ku ⁴)	3000+ 3-7 (member)	SAMARAI, ABAU: Also minor gabbro, micro- gabbro, rare ultramafics; some tuffaceous arenite, argillite; foraminiferal lime- stone lens (Tet in Samarai only)	Minor sulphide mineraliz near Mio intrusives. In Abau scattered evidence from foram suggests L Cret age in N (KTK ₁), m Eo remainder (KTK ₂), possible Paleo hiatus
		<u>Kutu Volcanics</u> (KTK) Eocene	2000	PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA: As above but also some dolerite intrusions and dykes	Probably oceanic crust formed during rifting open of Coral Sea in L Cret and Eo. Overlies and interf with Kemp Welch Beds; unconf below Domara R Cgl, Musa Volc Mem, Tpy, Cloudy Bay Volc; relat with Papaun Ultram Belt not clear - probably imbricate thrust-fault contact; intruded by Sadowa Gb. Dated by plank foram. Minor sulphide mineraliz near Mio intr
		<u>Foasi River</u> <u>Limestone Member</u> (of Kutu Volcanics) (Tef) Eocene	to 50	SE PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA: Recrystallized laminated limestone; numerous calcite veinlets	Dep in deep-sea envir. Lenses in Kutu Volc. Dated by poor plank foram
		<u>Amora Conglomerate</u> (Tea) Eocene	c.300	E PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA: Conglomerate with schist, quartz, metadolerite, and basalt clasts; minor agglomerate	Probably littoral to sublittoral envir. Overlies? Lokanu Volc; presence of clasts of Kagi Metam, Emo Metam rock types, and basic volc material suggests dep during or after em- placement of Papuan Ultram Belt; degree of lithification and jointing suggests Palaeogene rather than Neogene
		<u>Port Moresby Beds</u> (Tem) e-m Eocene (Partly at least in- cluded in To)	c.2000	COASTAL PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA: Argill- ite, siliceous argillite, shale, calc- ilutite; minor chert and calcarenite; generally well bedded but other sedi- mentary structures rare	Dep in deep-sea envir mostly on continental slope or rise; occurrence of calcaren suggests local shelf envir. Unconf on Bogoro Lst; contact with Kemp Welch Beds obscured by intr of Sadowa Gb, but probably partly overlies and partly grade later into Kemp Welch Beds; unconf

Te⁴
(contd)

Eocene

below Bootless Inlet Lst, Dokuma Tuff, Kore Volc, Gidobada Lst, Siro Cgl, Astrolabe Aglm, Kwikila Aglm, Tpy; corr with Bomuguina Beds, up part of Auga Beds in Yule, and Juliade Beds in Abau; includes Varirata arg, Paga chert, Nebire lst, and Tatana calcaren, only diff in areas of detailed mapping. Dated by plank and larger benth foram; radiolarians, sponge spicules, bry, echino, molluscs, plates and columnal joints of crinoids, corals?, fish teeth? also present

Baruni Calcarenite c. 70
(Tlb)
Paleocene

W PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA: Bedded biocalcarenite, biocalcudite; minor interbedded recrystallized argillaceous limestone

Sublittoral envir. Strat relat not clear, but assumed to underlie Port Moresby Beds. Dated by larger benth forams and algae; some derived L Cret forams. Potential raw material for cement.

Units not differentiated, at least in part, from Te⁴ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Port Moresby-Kalo-Aroa: 1 Oligo-e Mio Bootless Inlet Lst (see Tou⁴); 1 Oligo-e Mio Dokuma Tuff (see To); and L Cret Bogora Lst (see Ku⁴)

Early
Paleocene
K

Unit mapped as K on 1:1 000 000 map: In Tufi-Cape Nelson: L Cret Yau Gb (see Ku⁴)

Ku⁴

Badila Beds
(Ktb)
L Cretaceous-m Eocene

1000 in Abau

E ABAU, W SAMARAI: Limestone, calcilutite, shale, argillite, calcareous tuff; minor basalt

May interf with Kutu Volc. Some interbeds in Samarai contain uneconomic grades of ph. Dated by plank foram

Late
Cretaceous

Goropu Metabasalt and Bonenau Schist Member
(Kw, Kw₁; Kb, Kb₁, Kb₂)
L Cretaceous

3000-4000; Member 1000

TUFI-CAPE NELSON: Metamorphosed basalt, dolerite, ophitic gabbro; some hyaloclastite, some impure limestone interbeds; metamorphosed to prehnite-

Originally pile of deep ocean bs (oceanic up crust) metam by underthrusting? Metam grade decreases systematically to SE; metam equiv of Cret part of Kutu Volc; later equiv of Lokanu

Late Cretaceous	Ku4 (contd)		pumpellyite and pumpellyite-bearing greenschist, and greenschist facies*. Member consists of calcareous schist and variably schistose limestone; some hornfels*	Volc. Rare dissem ch. Includes calc beds mapped separately as mem; originally 1st lens or lenses within pile of oceanic bs; dated by plank foram
	<u>Yau Gabbro</u> (Ky) L Cretaceous (Included in K)		S TUFI-CAPE NELSON: Gabbro, diorite, granophyric tonalite*	Probably subvolc pluton related to Goropu Metabs and Kutu Volc. Intrudes and has hornfelsed Bonenau Schist Mem before area regionally metam; age deduced from these relat
	<u>Bogoro Limestone</u> (Kub) L Cretaceous (Partly at least included in Te ⁴)	to 30	COASTAL E PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA: Argillaceous biomicrite; minor calcareous shale generally sheared or contorted	Bathyal envir. In fault contact with or unconf below Port Moresby Beds. Dated by plank foram. Potential raw material for cement manufacture
	<u>Nipanata Beds</u> (Kn) Jurassic?-Cretaceous	c.500	W SALAMAUA: Marl, impure limestone; fine-grained arenitic and pelitic sediments, mostly calcareous; some low greenschist facies metamorphism	Probably interf with Lokanu Volc. Dated in part by poor forams in Salamaua
	<u>Lokanu Volcanics</u> (Ka) Jurassic?-Cretaceous	1000+ in Port Moresby-Kalo-Aroa; c.1000 in Tufi-Cape Nelson	E PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA, TUFI-CAPE NELSON: Massive basalt, basaltic and spilitic lava, and pillow lava; uralite, epidote, chlorite, and silica alteration; locally metamorphosed to prehnite-pumpellyite, greenschist, and amphibolite facies near major faults; include some fine-grained and calcareous sediments in Tufi-Cape Nelson	In Port Moresby-Kalo-Aroa, probably overlies Granular gb and High-level gb with trans contact; unconf below Sesara Volc, Domara R Cgl, Musa Volc Mem, Amora Cgl, Manna Volc; intruded by Imo Tonalite; probably unmetam equiv of Emo Metam; dating by K-Ar method of 116 m.y. based on assoc with gb and ultram of Papuan Ultram Belt; host for minor ch-py (py-ep-qtz) mineraliz. In Tufi-Cape Nelson, probable later equiv of Cret part of Kutu Volc and Goropu Metabs; some ch in amygdules

Units not differentiated, at least in part, from Ku⁴ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Abau and Tufi-Cape Nelson: L Cret-Eo Kutu Volc (see Te⁴); and Jur?-Cret Owen Stanley Metam (see JK⁴)

Jurassic? - Eocene?

Unit	Age	Location	Description	Notes
JK ⁴ <u>Auga Beds</u> (KTa) L Cretaceous-Eocene (part Senonian, part m Eocene) (At least in part in- cluded in Tmm-p ⁴)	500	NE YULE:	Massive siltstone, indurated shale, calcareous subgreywacke, feldspathic sandstone, pebble conglomerate; massive, algal foraminiferal biosparite, detrital limestone, calcareous sandstone, siliceous limestone, chert*	Fore-reef envir. In places difficult to distinguish from Kagi Metam into which may grade with increase of metam; may interf with and possibly partly underlie Aibala Volc; intruded by Tmi. Sen foram at one locality; Eo and m Eo plank and benth foram; algae and bry in some other lenses
<u>Kemp Welch Beds</u> (KTW) L Cretaceous-e Eocene	c. 3000	PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA:	Argillite, shale, slate, siltstone; minor lithic and feldspathic sandstone and greywacke; rare argillaceous biomicrite, polymictic orthoconglomerate, and interbedded spilitic volcanics; slate at base of section and calcareous sediments most common in upper part of sequence*	Turbidites dep on continental slope and deep ocean floor. Partly overlie and partly grade later into Kagi Metam - arbitrary contact along chl isograd; underlie and partly grade later into Port Moresby Beds; probably interf with Kutu Volc; intruded by Sadowa Gb; unconf below Mt Davidson Volc, Astrolabe Aglm, and Tpy, and intruded by shallow porphyritic intr related to these volc; corr with Auga Beds in Yule. Dated by plank foram. Py along joint linings and in fracture zones where intr by small bodies of po; ch and pyrrh
(<u>Emo Metamorphics</u> ((Ke) (Jurassic?-Cretaceous ((Owen Stanley Complex ((Kagi Metamorphics ((Kk, Ko) (Jurassic?-Cretaceous ((At least in part in- (cluded in Tmm-p ⁴)	800-1200	NE PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA:	Massive basic schist derived from basalt, dolerite, gabbro, volcanic sediment; minor calcareous and sialic phyllite and schist; metamorphism intermediate between greenschist facies and lawsonite-glaucophane schist facies; chemical analysis suggests low-K oceanic tholeiitic composition of basic schist*	Oceanic crust. Discordant contact with Kagi Metam possibly due to thrusting rather than strat unconf; probably metam equiv of Lokanu Volc; equiv of Goropu Metabs and Bonenau Schist Mem in Tufi. Age based on corr with these units
(<u>Kagi Metamorphics</u> ((Kk, Ko) (Jurassic?-Cretaceous ((At least in part in- (cluded in Tmm-p ⁴)	10 000	NE YULE, PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA:	Slate, phyllite, schist, minor gneiss; predominantly pelitic metasediments: pyritic slate, and sericite, chlorite, quartz-graphite, and quartz-albite-	In Yule, thick marine sed possibly dep in deep geosynclinal basin peripheral to N margin of Australian cratonic landmass; base of fm not exposed; unconf below Tmx, Talama Volc; appears to grade with decreasing metam into, and be

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mica-chlorite schists; rarer low-grade psammities identifiable as metamorphic subgreywacke, quartzite, siltstone, pebble conglomerate, interbeds of meta-volcanics. In Port Moresby-Kalo-Aroa, Barrovian-type greenschist facies with progressive metamorphism from chlorite zone, through biotite zone, to garnet zone. Ko in Yule: medium to coarse schist with typical minerals quartz, muscovite, epidote, garnet, amphibole; higher-grade greenschist facies

conf under, Auga Beds; up part may grade into Auga Beds with Sen and mid-Eo foss; intruded by Tmi; Cret macrofoss in related metam near Wau; strat relat with Auga Beds suggest age older than L Cret; age of metam not certain, but isotopic dating of Kaindi Metam and Goroka Fm suggest Oligo-e Mio age; if metam coeval with emplacement of Papuan Ultram Belt, age would be Eo or Oligo. In Port Moresby-Kalo-Aroa, generally similar; underlies and grades later into Kemp Welch Beds; arbitrary contact with Kemp Welch Beds established along chl iso-grad; unconf below Mt Davidson Volc, Astrolabe Aglm, Sesara Volc, Efogi Volc; intruded by shallow intr (Tpy) and Oveia Dr; Au assoc with py in qtz veins, in gossan, and in alluv; py very common; ch and pyrrh rare; gt common accessory in pelitic metam

Owen Stanley Meta-
morphics
(Name now obsolete)
(Ko)
Jurassic?-Cretaceous
(Partly at least in-
cluded in Ku⁴)

c.10 000

E WAU, W SALAMAU, SE MARKHAM: Pre-
dominantly low-grade metamorphics;
quartz-sericite, andalusite, and
quartz-chlorite schists; slate,
phyllite; in places, metagreywacke,
metaconglomerate, recrystallized lime-
stone; in other places, higher-grade
rocks such as quartz-albite-sericite,
quartz-albite-muscovite, and epidote-
chlorite-actinolite schists with occ-
asional almandine and amphibole

Main metam probably in Eo or Oligo; again pos-
sibly in Mio (Te-e Tf). Base of metam not ex-
posed. Cret macrofoss in Wau, but age probably
Jur-Cret. In Wau and Markham, intruded by Edie
Po, Morobe Gd; unconf below Babwaf Cgl and Lan-
gimar Beds. In Salamaua, intruded by Tmm; metam
source of alluv Au

SW TUFI-CAPE NELSON: Fine-grained basic
and quartz-calcite-sericite schist of
greenschist facies; typical assemblage
quartz-chlorite-albite-actinolite

Possibly mark trace of thrust fault; later
equiv of Bonenau Schist Mem and Goropu Metabs.
Age based on struc interpretation

Units not differentiated, at least in part, from JK⁴ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Yule: m-1 Mio Talama Volc (see Tmm-p⁴); e Mio Tmx (see Tm1⁴); and Mio-Plio Tmi (see Tm1). In Port Moresby-Kalo-Aroa: Pleist Efogi Volc (see Qv⁴); and 1 Mio? Oveia Dr (see Tmu⁴). In Markham: Mio-Plio Edie Po (see TpQp)

Jurassic? - Eocene?

Jurassic - Cretaceous

JK	<u>High-level gabbro</u> (Kh) Jurassic?-Cretaceous	1000	NE PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA, SE TUFI-CAPE NELSON, W SALAMAU: Gabbro with zoned plagioclase and/or ophitic texture	Occurs at top of gb zone and probably trans to bs zone. Age from assoc with other units of Papuan Ultram Belt
	<u>Granular gabbro</u> (Kg) Jurassic?-Cretaceous (Partly at least included in TT)	3000-4000	NE PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA, SE TUFI-CAPE NELSON, W SALAMAU: Granular gabbro; includes streaky gabbro, gabbro pegmatite, and undifferentiated High-level gabbro and Cumulate gabbro fragments; texture allotriomorphic or hypidimorphic*	Intrudes Tectonite ultram, Cumulate ultram, Cumulate gb; probably cogenetic with Cumulate ultram, Cumulate gb, High-level gb, Lokanu Volc. Jur age (147-150 m.y.) suggested by K-Ar dates in Buna; Cret age suggested by assoc with Lokanu Volc and Kutu Volc. Potential for Cu and Ni sulphide mineraliz
	<u>Cumulate gabbro</u> (Kc) Jurassic?-Cretaceous (Partly at least included in TT)	c.1000	NE PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA, SE TUFI-CAPE NELSON, W SALAMAU: Cumulate gabbro, some with compositional layering, mineral-graded bedding, and scour-and-fill structures*	Low oceanic crust, probably subvolc plutons related to Lokanu Volc. Intruded by Granular gb; may be trans to Cumulate ultram. Potential for Cu and Ni sulphide mineraliz
	<u>Cumulate ultramafics</u> (Ku) Jurassic?-Cretaceous (Partly at least included in TT)	to 500	NE PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA, TUFI-CAPE NELSON, W SALAMAU: Ultramafic rock with cumulus texture*	Probably trans upwards into Cumulate gb

Triassic? - Cretaceous

TT	<u>Tectonite ultramafics</u> (U) Mesozoic or older	4000-8000	NE PORT MORESBY-KALO-AROA, TUFI-CAPE NELSON, SALAMAU, E WAU: Ultramafic rock with tectonite texture, indicating recrystallization in solid state; typical rocks: hartzburgite and dunite with enstatite pyroxenite*	Includes some Cumulate ultram in areas mapped in lesser detail; underlies Cumulate ultram with presumed non-conf, and probably with them represent up mantle; may be refractory residue formed by partial melting of pyrolite mantle to produce bs magma. No age evidence
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Units not differentiated, at least in part, from TT on 1:1 000 000 map: In Port Moresby-Kalo-Aroa: Pleist Qpg (see Qv⁴). In Tufi-Cape Nelson: Pleist Sivai Brec Mem (see Qv⁴); Pleist Ibau Brec (see Qs⁴); and Jur?-Cret Cumulate gabbro (see JK). In Salamau: Jur?-Cret Granular gb and Cumulate ultram (see JK)

PAPUAN ISLANDS (5)

Age	IM map unit	Constituent unit(s) in 1:250 000 Sheet areas	Thickness (m)	Lithology	Additional pertinent data
Quaternary	Qa ⁵	<u>Qa, Qs</u> Quaternary	to 500	SAMARAI, FERGUSSON I: Alluvium: gravel, sand, silt, clay; beach deposits. Colluvium: talus, landslide debris; angular boulders of various sizes commonly in clay matrix	On N coast of Basilaki, Sideia, and Sariba Is; N, SW, and SE coast of Goodenough I. On central Fergusson I, SW and NE Goodenough I, and large parts of Normanby I alluv Au; large groundwater reservoir; heavy-mineral (rut) potential, but quantity limited
		<u>Qc</u> Pleistocene-Holocene	to 100	FERGUSSON I, DEBOYNE: Raised coral lime-stone (bioherm), mostly not recrystallized	On E and S Sanaroa I, and on Deboyne Is (Smith & Pieters, 1969): interf with alluv and volc dep; source of lime and cement
			90+	TROBRIAND IS: Includes also swamp mud, alluvium, marine clay, conglomerate	Kiriarina, Kitava, and Kaileuna Is
	Qv ⁵	<u>Goodenough Volcanics</u> (Qg) Quaternary	to 500	FERGUSSON I: Basaltic andesite lava, some agglomerate, some rhyolite or dacite; mostly porphyritic	On E Goodenough I, overlies metam ultram, and alluv. Suitable for concrete agg and road gv
		<u>Sebutuia Volcanics</u> (Qe) Pleistocene-Holocene	1000-2000	FERGUSSON I: Rhyolite pumice and obsidian, ashflow tuff; trachyte?, dacite?, minor dolerite	On SE Fergusson I, N Sanaroa, and Dobu I, overlies metam and ultram. Pumice may be suitable for lightweight concrete agg
Unit also included in Qv ⁵ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Fergusson I: Plio-Pleist Kukuia Volc (see Tp ⁵)					

Quaternary	Qs ⁵	Q, Qa, Ql, Qc Quaternary	DEBOYNE, SAMARAI, WOODLARK I: Raised coral limestone, commonly recrystallized to coarse calcite; in places, soft marine clay and silt with large thick lenses of boulder and pebble conglomerate; in places, clay becomes more calcareous upwards and grades into overlying coral limestone	On Woodlark (Trail, 1967) and Marshall Bennett Is, unconf on volc rocks; raised from 50 to 427 m; contain abd marine macrofauna - apparently Recent and carb wood and seeds in places; Au has been worked from cgl; around volc outcrops fine and coarse sed contain alluv Au accumulated on top of coral 1st. Also present on E islands of Engineer Group, other very small and scattered islets, and Deboyne Group (Smith & Pieters, 1969). On S Misima I (de Keyser, 1961), contains corals, algae, bry	
	Unit not differentiated from Qs ⁵ on 1:1 000 000 map: Tert vent brec (see Tmm-p ⁵)				
Pliocene-Quaternary	TpQp	<u>Pana rora Volcanics</u> (Tpu) Pliocene-Pleistocene? (Partly at least included in Tmu ⁵)	200	CALVADOS: Bedded coarse unsorted volcanic agglomerate, medium massive well sorted conglomerate, minor tuff, and one lava flow; agglomerate contains pyroxene and hornblende andesites	In Calvados Chain: Moterina I and islands W of it (Smith & Pieters, 1969), overlies Calvados Schist and intermediate intr; no evidence for age, apart from fresh appearance
		<u>Luboda, Omara, Observation Island, Gidogidora Granodiorites</u> (Tpg, Tpgl, Tpgg, Tpgb, Tpgg) Pliocene		FERGUSSON I: Granodiorite; minor tonalite, adamellite, granite; xenoliths of altered gabbro, hornfelsed metamorphics, ultramafics	On NW Normanby I, overlain by Normanby Volc. On NW Normanby I and Ubuia I, intrudes metam and ultram. On Fergusson and Normanby Is, 1.8-2.7 m.y. old by K-Ar method on biot separates from seven samples. On Fergusson, Normanby, and Goodenough Is, base metal and Au mineraliz probably related to these intr
Pliocene	Tp ⁵	<u>Mwatebu Sandstone</u> (Tpt) Pliocene	100	SAMARAI: Poorly consolidated sandstone, conglomerate, and siltstone with shelly interbeds	On Normanby I, fluvial and shallow marine sed; unconf on Kurada Metavolc and Mb
		<u>Tpv</u> Pliocene (Partly at least included in Te ⁵)		SAMARAI: Basic volcanics	Islands in Samarai.

Pliocene	<p>Tp⁵ (contd)</p> <p><u>Kukuia Volcanics</u> (TpQk) Pliocene-Pleistocene (Included in Qv⁵)</p>	to 500	<p>FERGUSSON I: Rhyolite, rhyolite obsidian, trachyte, andesite ashflow tuff, some basalt</p>	On SW Fergusson I, overlie metam and alluv
	<p><u>Normanby and Amphlett Volcanics</u> (Tpn, Tpm) Pliocene (Tpn partly at least included in JK⁵)</p>	to 2000	<p>FERGUSSON I, SAMARAI (Normanby Volcanics only): Andesitic lava with some rhyolite, dacite, trachyte, trachyandesite, and olivine basalt; basaltic agglomerate</p>	On Normanby I, Duchess I, and islands NE of Fergusson I, lack of volc landforms suggests Plio. Agg for roads
Middle Miocene - Pliocene	<p>Tmm-p⁵</p> <p><u>Vent breccia</u> Tertiary (Included in Qs⁵)</p>		<p>WOODLARK I: Large angular blocks of porphyritic andesite or basalt in matrix of small rock fragments</p>	Manau Hill, Woodlark I (Trail, 1967)
	<p><u>Granite, porphyry, felsite</u> Tertiary</p>		<p>WOODLARK I: Coarse biotite-hornblende granite with elongated xenoliths of basic volcanic rock in medium groundmass of orthoclase, albite, quartz, and pyrite; porphyries with phenocrysts of feldspar and mafic minerals in fine groundmass; boulders of felsite</p>	On SW Woodlark I (Trail, 1967), Au-bearing
Late Miocene	<p>Tmu⁵</p> <p><u>Liak Conglomerate</u> (Tml) 1 Miocene</p>	c.213	<p>DEBOYNE: Conglomerate with mostly well rounded boulders and pebbles composed of amphibolite, greenschist, porphyry, quartz, schists, and dolerite, with rare pebbles of Tertiary limestone; sandy in places; pebbles coated with limonite</p>	On central Misima I (de Keyser, 1961), overlaps and probably interf with Gulewa Fm, possibly with local unconf. Dated by foram

Late Miocene	Tmu ⁵ (contd)	<u>Gulewa Formation</u> (Tmg) 1 Miocene		DEBOYNE: Conglomerate, sandstone, grey-wacke, siltstone, pebbly sandstone, intraformational breccia, tuffaceous and calcareous beds, partly corallogene limestone member; conglomerate and breccia, fine to coarse, well to poorly sorted with pebbles and cobbles of variable roundness; sandstone ranges from fine to very coarse, poorly sorted, and rounded; mudstone and siltstone generally massive	On N Misima I (de Keyser, 1961), abd biv, corals, bry, foram
		<u>Kobel Volcanics</u> (Tmk) 1 Miocene	c.305	DEBOYNE: Agglomerate, volcanic conglomerate, tuff, ash beds, and flows generally of trachytic and andesitic lava	On N Misima I (de Keyser, 1961), in places volc interf with and succeeded by sed of Gulewa Fm
	Unit not differentiated, at least in part, from Tmu ⁵ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Calvados: Plio-Pleist? Pana rora Volc (see TpQp)				
Early Miocene	Tml ⁵	<u>Nasai Limestone</u> (Tn) e Miocene	183	WOODLARK I: Fine-grained massive hard limestone, well bedded when weathered	On SW Woodlark I (Trail, 1967), unconf on Loluai Volc and assoc dl sills. Dated by foram; may be younger than Okiduse Volc, but field evidence indicates only that it is younger than intr of Tert dl
		<u>Okiduse Volcanics</u> (Toa, Tov, Toc) e Miocene	610	WOODLARK I: Banded hard tough tuff overlain by thick lava, tuff, volcanic agglomerate, conglomerate; mainly porphyritic and non-porphyritic andesitic basalt*	On SW Woodlark I (Trail, 1967), disconf on Wonai Hill Fm; main source of alluv dep; py common to abd
		<u>Wonai Hill Formation</u> (Twc, Twt, Twm) e Miocene	260	WOODLARK I: Group of tuffaceous rocks at base, fine to medium, massive, well bedded, apparently unmetamorphosed; thin beds of tuffaceous siltstone, shale, and conglomerate interbedded with tuffs; overlying conglomerate has fragments of volcanic rocks in tuffaceous matrix; mudstone massive, uniform, with few silty lenses, some thick*	On SW Woodlark I (Trail, 1967), unconf on Loluai Volc and dl; in places fm and underlying Tabukui Beds separated by disconf; in some places topmost mdst overlain by sltst of Okiduse Volc, but in others by cgl; locally probable source of alluv Au

Early Miocene		<u>Tabukui Beds</u> (Ttc, Ttv) e Miocene	550	WOODLARK I: Fine-grained tuff and subordinate siltstone and thin beds of mudstone with common thin lenses of massive volcanic conglomerate and agglomerate, and occasional large lens of conglomerate near base; beds massive to well laminated, usually cleaved, hard and tough*	On SW Woodlark I (Trail, 1967), basal cgl in places probably unconf on Suloga Lst; in other places tuff overlies 1st; at one place, tuff grades down into calc sltst at top of Suloga Lst. Probable source of Au in Suloga area; py abd; layers represented by thin beds of massive lim
		<u>Suloga Limestone</u> (Ts) e Miocene	152	WOODLARK I: Limestone, fine-grained, massive to well bedded, with small pyrite crystals both in matrix and in thin calcite veins	On SW Woodlark I (Trail, 1967), dated by foram
		<u>Panasia Limestone</u> (Tme) e Miocene		CALVADOS: Medium to fine limestone composed of calcareous microfaunal remains in matrix of fine-grained calcite	In W Calvados Chain, Panasia, Panavara vara, and Nasakoli Is (Smith & Pieters, 1969; Smith 1973), old reef dated by Te foram
		<u>Sewa Beds</u> (Tms) e Miocene	1000-2000?	FERGUSSON I, SAMARAI: Andesitic lava, agglomerate; volcanolithic conglomerate and arenite; dense limestone	On central Normanby I, unconf overlain by Normanby Volc; dated by foram (1 Te) S of Fergusson I map area
Oligocene	Tl ⁵	Units included in Tl ⁵ : In Woodlark I: Tert dolerite and Tert? Loluai Volc (see Tl)			
Eocene - Oligocene	Tl	<u>Dolerite</u> Tertiary (Included in Tl ⁵)	610+	WOODLARK I: Medium-grained massive dolerite with many xenoliths of basic volcanic rock*	On SW Woodlark I (Trail, 1967), separate Loluai Volc, or overlies pillow lava of Loluai Volc, or invade cgl member of Tabukui Beds; skarn rock developed on margin of dl sill complex contains in places 0.2 to 6% Cu; some Cu-Fe mineraliz also present; mt bodies in skarn outcrops; mt and ch mineraliz in dl
		<u>Loluai Volcanics</u> (Tls, Tlv) Tertiary? (Included in Tl ⁵)	460+	WOODLARK I: Massive tuff, lava, pillow lava, and thin agglomerate; thermally metamorphosed, sheared and intruded, and cut by irregular veins of epidote	On SW Woodlark I (Trail, 1967), overlain unconf by e Mio Wonai Hill Fm and probably unconf by e Mio Suloga Lst; very similar to Tert volc higher up in succession; base not visible; pro-

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and quartz; partly recrystallized;
mainly pyroxene andesite or andesitic
basalt; interbedded indurated siltstone
and mudstone with shale and thin beds
of quartzite; local dolerite with large
inclusions of indurated basalt

bable source of Au in Suloga area; contain small lode of mn oxides at Wasilas Point; mt, hem, and ml mineraliz also occurs in these beds; both Fe and Cu mineraliz confined to skarn

Eocene - Oligocene

Acid intrusives
Tertiary

ROSSEL: Granite

On W Sudest I (Smith & Pieters, 1969), possible source of Au-bearing qtz veins intruding schists

Basic and intermediate
intrusives
(not differentiated)
(Ti)
Tertiary

DEBOYNE, ROSSEL: Basic intrusives,
medium to coarse; intermediate intrusives are diorite, microdiorite, porphyritic microdiorite; andesite markedly porphyritic*

On S Rossel, Sudest, Panapompom, and Nivani Is
of Deboyne Gp (Smith & Pieters, 1969), intrude
Calvados Schist

Eocene Te⁵

Units not differentiated, at least in part, from Te⁵: In Samarai: Plio Tpv (see Tp⁵); and L Cret-m Eo Kutu Volc (see Te⁴ under Region 4)

Jurassic - Early Cretaceous

JK⁵

(Md
(Cretaceous?

3000+

FERGUSSON I: Undifferentiated gneiss and schist, mostly quartzofeldspathic; includes some small granitic intrusions

On N Normanby I, some Cu, Pb, and possibly
Au mineraliz

(Kurada Metavolcanics

1000+? in Samarai

SAMARAI, FERGUSSON I: Metabasalt and
basic schist, basalt mylonite, contorted
laminated limestone; greenschist facies*

On S Normanby I, originally pile of probably submarine bs and bs tephra with minor lst; submarine in Awaiara Bay; may overlies Prevost Metam

(Mk)
(Cretaceous?

2000 on Fergusson

SAMARAI, FERGUSON I: Layered sequence
of chloritic basic schist, calcic schist,
and quartz-feldspar-mica schist; green-
schist facies

In Samarai, minor alluv Au. On Fergusson I, originally mainly quartzofeldspathic sed with some interbedded 1st and basic volc; may underlie Kurada Metavolc

(Prevost Metamorphics

2000 on Fergusson

(Mp)
(Cretaceous?

I

(Cretaceous?

1000+ in Samarai

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Jurassic - Early Cretaceous	JK ⁵ (contd)	(<u>Potai Amphibolite</u> 500-1000	FERGUSSON I: Massive amphibolite; minor ultramafics; amphibolite facies*	On NW Fergusson I and inland Goodenough I, originally stocks of gb with minor ultram; lacks comp layering
		((Mt)		
		(Cretaceous?		
		(
		(<u>Mebulibuli Meta-</u> 600+	FERGUSSON I: Layered sequence of amphibolite, calcic gneiss, and quartzofeldspathic gneiss; amphibolite facies*	On NW and E Fergusson I, N inland Goodenough I, originally basic lava and tuff and calc sed; underlain by Amawa Metam; some Cu, Pb, and possibly Au mineraliz
		(<u>morphics</u>		
		((Mi)		
		(Cretaceous?		
		(
		(<u>Amawa Metamorphics</u> 1000	FERGUSSON I: Layered sequence of quartzofeldspathic gneiss with 10% amphibolite and calcic gneiss; amphibolite facies*	On Goodenough and Fergusson I, layered, originally bedded sed, possibly volcanogenic with bulk comp approximating gd; overlain by Mebulibuli Metam, and underlain by Gudanai Metam
D'Entrecasteaux Complex		((Ma)		
		(Cretaceous?		
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		(<u>Gudanai Metamorphics</u> 600+	FERGUSSON I: Quartzofeldspathic gneiss; some amphibolite and calcic gneiss, part migmatite; amphibolite facies	On S Goodenough I and N Fergusson I, lacks layering; originally sed sequence like that which formed Amawa Metam; overlain by Amawa Metam, and intruded by Omara Gd
		((Mn)		
		(Cretaceous?		
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		(<u>Morima Metamorphics</u> 600+	FERGUSSON I: Leucocratic quartzofeldspathic gneiss with consistent layering; amphibolite facies	On S Fergusson I, originally sed sequence with bulk comp approximating leucogd; overlain by Amawa Metam, and intruded by Omara Gd
		((Mr)		
		(Cretaceous?		
		<u>Deboyne Metavolcanics</u>	DEBOYNE: Metamorphosed basic volcanics and interbedded fine-grained deep-water sediments invaded by basic and intermediate dykes; metavolcanics uniformly medium to fine, commonly well jointed; interbedded sediments, fine-grained sandstone and siltstone*	In Louisiade Archipelago: Panaete and Panapompom Is of Deboyne Gp (Smith & Pieters, 1969)
		(K1)		
		Mesozoic?		
		<u>Porphyry</u>	DEBOYNE: Dacitic, andesitic, and feldspar porphyries, and felsites; some granodiorite*	On central and E Misima I (de Keyser, 1961), responsible for mineraliz
		Palaeozoic or Mesozoic?		

Jurassic - Early Cretaceous

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Metagabbro
Palaeozoic or Mesozoic?

ROSSEL: Metagabbro and metabasalt: medium to fine, with foliated texture On NE Rossel I, locally Sudest I (Smith & Pieters, 1969)

Trondhjemite
Palaeozoic or Mesozoic?

DEBOYNE: Trondhjemite On Misima I (de Keyser, 1961)

Ultramafics 150
Jurassic-Cretaceous

ROSSEL: Pyroxenite, medium-coarse; serpentinite, fine* On SW Rossel I (Smith & Pieters, 1969), conf on low-grade Calvados Schist

Calvados Schist 600+
(K or Ke)
Cretaceous?

ROSSEL: Pelitic siltstone, sandstone, minor conglomerate; lowermost green-schist facies or lower grade* Au in quartz veins on Sudest, Ylia, and possibly other islands; minor py, chromite, and rare Mn assoc with Au-bearing qtz veins on Sudest I (Smith & Pieters, 1969; Smith, 1973)

Umuna Schist
(M/Pzu)
Mesozoic?

DEBOYNE: Phyllite; graphitic, mica, quartz, and banded schists Misima I (de Keyser, 1961)

St Patrick Limestone 0-33
(M/Pzs)
Mesozoic?

DEBOYNE: Marble and impure limestone, in places with silica bands (recrystallized chert?) and lenses and bands of sandy limestone Misima I (de Keyser, 1961)

Ara Greenschist 100-170+
(M/Psa)
Mesozoic?

DEBOYNE: Chlorite-albite-epidote-actinolite schist (metamorphosed basic volcanics) Misima I (de Keyser, 1961)

Oiatau Gneiss 830+
(M/Pzo)
Mesozoic?

DEBOYNE: Gneiss and schist; minor amphibolite* Misima I (de Keyser, 1961)

Lalama Amphibolite
(M/Pzb)
Mesozoic?

DEBOYNE: Massive plagioclase amphibolite, foliated amphibolite, banded hornblende gneiss, garnetiferous in part, minor intercalated gneiss Misima I (de Keyser, 1961)

Units not differentiated, at least in part, from JK⁵ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Samarai: Plio Normanby Volc (see Tp⁵)

Early Cretaceous	JK	<u>Mb</u> Cretaceous or older		SAMARAI: Gabbro; diopside-hypersthene- bytownite rock, some olivine, hornblende; Ultram Belt fine granular texture	On Normanby I, similar to gb of Papuan
		<u>Gabbro</u> (Mb) Cretaceous?	500?	FERGUSSON I: Gabbro and norite*	On Goodenough I, partly covered by Qg
In Samarai, JK also includes Plio Mwatebu Sst (see Tp ⁵) on the 1:1 000 000 map					
Late Triassic? - Early Cretaceous	TT	<u>Ultramafics</u> (Mu) Cretaceous or older	3000 on Fergusson I	FERGUSSON I, SAMARAI: Ultramafics: dunite, hartzburgite, wehrlite, enstatite pyroxenite, websterite*	On Fergusson I, possible source for lateritic Ni, Ni sulphides, Pt, cr, ms, as; fault-bounded blocks intruded by Tpg, Omara Gd, Observation Island Gd; partly covered by Normanby, Good- enough, and Sebutuia Volc. Also present on SW Normanby I

ADELBERT AND FINISTERRE RANGES (6)

Age	LM map unit	Constituent unit(s) in 1:250 000 Sheet areas	Thickness (m)	Lithology	Additional pertinent data
Quaternary	Qa ⁶	<u>Qa, Qha</u> Holocene (Partly at least included in Qs ⁶)	600 in lower Markham valley; 200 in Madang	HUON-SAG SAG, NE RAMU, NE BOGIA, KARKAR I, MADANG, MARKHAM: Alluvium and beach deposits: gravel, sand, silt, mud, clay; minor peat, colluvium, soils, swamp deposits; lenticular gravel aquifers	In Madang and Karkar I, gv source of road agg; prospected unsuccessfully for heavy minerals in Astrolabe Bay and on Karkar I
		<u>Qs</u> Quaternary (Partly at least included in Tmm-u ⁶ , Tml ⁶ , Tou ⁶)	to 200 in Madang	S, W HUON-SAG SAG, S MADANG, BOGIA, SW KARKAR I: Colluvium: chaotic boulder deposits of angular rock fragments	Landslides: mainly debris avalanches, and combination of debris avalanches and large rotational slumps
		<u>Qf, Qphf</u> Holocene-Pleistocene? (Partly at least included in Tp ⁶)	80+	NW MARKHAM, SW MADANG: Unconsolidated to poorly consolidated pebble, cobble, and boulder gravel, sand, and silt; generally stratified, poorly sorted; coarser in fanhead than in toe	Surface sed Holo, probably Pleist below; piedmont slope sed; lenticular sand and gravel aquifers with clayey gv aquicludes
	Unit not differentiated, at least in part, from Qa ⁶ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Madang: Quat Wandokai Lst (see Qs ⁶)				
	Qs ⁶	<u>Wandokai Limestone</u> (Qw) Quaternary (Partly at least included in Qa ⁶ , Tml ⁶ , Tou ⁶)	2000 in Huon-Sag Sag; 400 in Bogia; 800 in Madang; 200 in Karkar I	BOGIA, COASTAL HUON-SAG SAG, MADANG, KARKAR I: Massive or crudely bedded, cavernous biocalcirudite, calcarenite, calcilutite, calcareous mudstone, subordinate lithic arenite, conglomerate; subordinate volcanically derived sandstone and conglomerate	In coastal Huon-Sag Sag, fringing and patch reef complex; in NW, unconf on Kabenau Beds, Gusap Arg, Finisterre Volc; on coast N of Finisterre Ra, unconf on Tipsit Lst; in part unconf on, and in part facies equiv of, Timber Cgl; corals, algae, bry, biv, gast, larger and smaller foram; corr with 1st dated by radiocarbon and Th-230 methods in Huon Pen as

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greater than 250×10^3 to 6×10^3 years. In Bogia, interf with and partly overlies Kabenau Beds; dated by plank foram as N21-22 in part. In Huon-Sag Sag, in part unconf on Song R Calcaren and Kabwum Lst Mem. In Madang, unconf on Gusap Arg, Finisterre Volc, Tipsit Lst, and Kabenau Beds; partly overlain by and partly facies equiv of Timbe R Cgl; used for road agg and manufacture of stabilized bricks; aquifer for Madang and coastal villages; potential commercial source of lime; clay used for pottery

Quaternary

<u>Timbe River</u> <u>Conglomerate</u> (Qpt) Pleistocene (Partly at least included in Tp ⁶)	800 in Madang; 100 in Huon-Sag Sag	MADANG, HUON-SAG SAG: Pebbly sandstone, sandstone, conglomerate; conglomerate very poorly sorted, well rounded; limestone pebbles and cobbles predominate; crudely to evenly bedded	In NW Huon-Sag Sag and coastal S Madang, raised deltas and alluv fans; facies equiv of dated Pleist reefs; overlies Kabwum Lst Mem; grades later into more volc derived parts of Wandokai Lst. In W Madang, unconf on Tipsit Lst, Kabwum Lst Mem; partly conf overlies and partly facies equiv of Wandokai Lst; plank foram indicate N21-22 in part
<u>Qpg</u> Pleistocene (Partly at least included in Tmm-u ⁶ , Tou ⁶)	20 in Madang; c.30 in Markham	SE MADANG: Fluvioglacial deposits: poorly sorted crudely bedded gravel, sand, silt, clay	Valley-dammed lakes which received fluvio-glacial dep during Pleist glaciation
<u>Qpm</u> Pleistocene (Partly at least included in Tmm-u ⁶)	10	MARKHAM: Also boulder beds CENTRAL HUON-SAG SAG, NE MARKHAM: Glacial moraine: unsorted and unconsolidated massive till with limestone clasts	Remnant of Pleist glaciation: terminal glacial moraine. Overlies Gowop Lst

Quaternary

Qs ⁶ (contd)	<u>Qp</u> Pleistocene	800	NE RAMU, BOGIA: Mudstone, soft, carbonaceous, and shelly, interbedded with friable carbonaceous sandstone and siltstone, partly conglomeratic, grading laterally into chalky limestone	Partly marine. Overlain by fgl and alluv. Contains corals, molluscs, bry
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	<u>Qc</u> Quaternary		E, NE HUON-SAG SAG: Raised coral	Fringing reefs
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Units not differentiated, at least in part, from Qs⁶ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Bogia:Holo Qa (see Qa⁶); and Mio-Pleist Kabenau Beds (see Tp⁶)

Pliocene

Tp ⁶	<u>Ouba Beds</u> (Tp ⁰) Pliocene	1000-3000	NE RAMU: Mudstone, massive to thinly bedded; interbedded soft mudstone, siltstone, sandstone; minor conglomerate and limestone; pebble, boulder conglomerate, partly calcareous	In places unconf on unnamed Oligo? to e Mio? beds (Tlm). Lowermost cgl beds grade later into richly foss lst with abd corals, bry, and molluscs. Foram common throughout
	<u>Leron Formation</u> (Tp ¹) m Miocene-1 Pliocene-Pleistocene? (Partly included in Tp ⁴)	to 1000 in Markham; 2000 in Madang; 100 in Huon-Sag Sag	NE MARKHAM: Alternating well bedded sandstone, pebbly sandstone, conglomerate; subordinate siltstone and minor limestone lenses; minor lignite; poorly indurated and generally well sorted	Flanking dep derived from erosion of rising Sarawaged Ra; dep in shallow-water marine and estuarine envir. Probably equiv to Babwaf Cgl; unconf on Mena Beds. Foram in lst lenses; plant remains
			HUON-SAG SAG: Conglomerate with basalt and andesite clasts predominating; crudely bedded and poorly sorted	Unconf on Finisterre Volc. Plio foram
			MADANG: Greywacke, pebbly lithic arenite, conglomerate, some very coarse siltstone, minor limestone; lignite common	In SW Madang, shallow-marine envir of shelf-type which received abd terr detritus from uplifted Finisterre Ra; unconf on Gusap Arg; facies equiv of Kabenau Beds; basal beds contain larger foram dated as Te-e Tf; includes rocks previously described as Mena Beds; grades up into non-marine Qf

Tp ⁶ (contd)	<u>Tp, Tpi</u> Pliocene (Partly at least included in Tmm-u ⁶ , Tml ⁶)	100	SW HUON-SAG SAG: Basic volcanics: mainly horizontal flows of basalt with clinopyroxene and olivine phenocrysts*	Horizontal basalt filling depressions between tilted fault blocks. Postdates probable e Plio uplift and block-faulting. Unconf on Tipsit Lst
			BOGIA: Fine-grained dolerite, microdolerite, microtonalite, diorite, granodiorite, gabbro	Intrudes Kabenau Beds
			CENTRAL MADANG: Gabbro, diorite, clinopyroxene diorite, hypersthene gabbro, dolerite, microdiorite, quartz gabbro, tonalite, microtonalite, granophyric differentiates	Intr; limited contact metam, with minor mineraliz of py and ch; intrude Tipsit Lst, Kabwum Lst Mem, Finisterre Volc; intrude Kabwum Lst Mem as stocks, dykes, and sills; evidence of po-type mineraliz
	<u>Uvo Volcanics</u> (Tpu) 1 Pliocene-Pleistocene (At least partly included in Tou ⁶)	500	E BOGIA: Andesitic agglomerate, lapilli tuff, tuff; agglomerate fine-grained and of high-silica andesite composition	Subaerial volc. Unconf on Finisterre Volc
	<u>Kabenau Beds</u> (Tpk) Miocene-Pleistocene (Partly at least included in Qs ⁶ , Tml ⁶ , Tou ⁶)	5000 in Madang 3500 in Karkar I	W MADANG, BOGIA, KARKAR I: Well bedded, cross-bedded calcareous lithic arenite, siltstone, mudstone, paraconglomerate (some very coarse); lignite common; interbedded biomicrite (and basaltic to andesitic volcanics in places in Bogia and Karkar I only)	In Madang and Bogia, shallow-marine and deltaic envir which received abd terr detritus; abd plank (N11-N21, 22) and in places benth smaller foram; frag carb plant remains; frag biv; 1 Te-e Tf date obtained from Karkar I. In Bogia, unconf on Finisterre Volc; interf with and in part unconf on Gowop Lst; partly conf below and interf with Wandokai Lst; in SE unconf on Gusap Arg. In Madang, in NW, unconf below Wandokai Lst; elsewhere unconf on Finisterre Volc and unconf below Timbe R Cgl; facies equiv of Leron Fm and Tipsit Lst and Kabwum Lst Mem in part; probably greatest thickness in W Madang; distinguished from Leron Fm by finer and more persistent bedding and better sorting

Units not differentiated, at least in part, from Tp⁶ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Huon-Sag Sag: Pleist Timbe R Cgl (see Qs⁶). In Madang: e Mio Kwama Bs (see Tou⁶). In Markham and Madang: Quat Qf (see Qa⁶)

Middle - late Miocene

Tmm-u ⁶	<u>Song River Calcarenite</u> (Tms) Miocene-Pliocene	2800	E HUON-SAG SAG: Calcarenite, well bedded, fine-grained, moderately well sorted, interbedded with calcilutite to E; bedding regular; fine-grained to SE becoming predominantly micritic near Finschhafen; minor lava breccia*	Deep-water marine enviro receiving sed from reef complex which also shielded enviro from terr detritus; rhythmic local alternations of calcaren and calcilut show beds turbiditic, implying intermittent density currents transporting fine reef detritus into bathyal enviro. Interf with Pindiu Sst; to W, changes gradually into largely non-clastic algal-foraminiferal biomic of Gowop Lst; unconf on Kabwum Lst Mem; probably gradually thins to E
<u>Gowop Limestone and Kabwum Limestone</u> <u>Member</u> (Tmgo, Tmgk) e or m Miocene-Pliocene	to 3200 in Huon-Sag Sag; to 1300 in Markham; 1000 in Bogia; member 3500 in Huon-Sag Sag; 2500 in Madang		HUON-SAG SAG, E BOGIA, N, NE MARKHAM: Resistant, crudely bedded, or massive algal-foraminiferal biomicrite; minor calcarenite and calcilutite	In Huon-Sag Sag, reef core of barrier and platform reef complex; unconf on Finisterre Volc in S; partly later equiv of and partly overlain by Kabwum Lst Mem and Song R Calcaren; algae, larger and smaller foram (l Te-Tg), molluscs, corals. In Markham, unconf on Finisterre Volc; low part complexly interf with Tipsit Lst; grad into Kabwum Lst Mem; contemp with Mebu Beds and Mena Beds; foss similar to those in Huon-Sag Sag. In Bogia, small fringing and barrier reef complex; interf with and partly conf below Kabenau Beds; larger and plank foram indicate l Te-e Tf in part
			Member in HUON-SAG SAG, MARKHAM, MADANG: Algal-foraminiferal biomicrite, biocalcirudite, soft well bedded calcarenite, calcilutite; calcareous mudstone at top; biomicrite more porous, slightly less resistant and better bedded than remaining part of Gowop Limestone	In Huon-Sag Sag, fore-reef and reef core of platform reef complex; conf on Tipsit Lst; unconf below Wandokai Lst and Timbe R Cgl; later equiv of much of Gowop Lst farther S; contains plank and larger foram, algae, corals, bry, biv, gast; algal-foram biomic contains larger foram of l Te to e Tf age;

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Middle - late Miocene

<u>Tipsit Limestone</u> (Tmp) 1 Oligocene-m Miocene (At least partly included in Tou ⁶)	500 in Huon-Sag Sag; 1000 in Madang	HUON-SAG SAG: Soft micritic limestone, biomicrite, calcilutite, lignite, calcareous shale; silt and fine sandstone at base; some calcarenite with limestone and organic fragments in micritic groundmass; paraconglomerate at base in places MARKHAM: Also lignitic and calcareous shale; siltstone and fine-grained sandstone at base MADANG: Also calcareous conglomerate near base in places	<p>calc mdst contains plank foram of N9 to N18-N22 age. In Markham, grad from Gowop Lst; conf on Tipsit Lst; contains larger and plank foram, algae, corals, molluscs. In Madang, conf on Tipsit Lst; unconf below Wandokai Lst and Timbe R Cgl; partly facies equiv of Kabenau Beds and Leron Fm; thins to S and W; base dated by larger foram from algal-foram biomic as 1 Te-e Tf; calc mdst with plank foram of N18-N21 age at top of fm; suitable as source of lime</p> <p>Restricted lagoonal envir which received terr detritus, changing with time into open back-reef envir shielded from terr detritus. Wedges abruptly to N; conf below Kabwum Lst Mem; in part conf on Kwama Bs. Contains sponges, biv, gast, frag plant remains; plank and larger foram indicate e-m Mio</p> <p>Grad over Kwama Bs; complex interf with low part of Gowop Lst; conf below Kabwum Lst Mem; dated by foram as 1 Te (e Mio)</p> <p>Unconf on Finisterre Volc; conf below Kabwum Lst Mem; on coast, unconf below Timbe R Cgl; facies equiv in part of Kabenau Beds; wedges abruptly to NE; thins gradually to W. Dated by foram as 1 Oligocene-e or m? Mio</p>
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Units not differentiated, at least in part, from Tmm-u⁶ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Huon-Sag Sag and Madang: Quat Qs (see Qa⁶); and e Mio, 1 Oligo Kwama Bs and e Oligo-e Mio Finisterre Volc (see Tou⁶). In Madang and Markham: Pleist Qpg (see Qs⁶); and e Mio, 1 Oligo Kwama Bs (see Tou⁶). In Huon Sag Sag: Pleist Qpm (see Qs⁶)

Early Miocene	Tm1 ⁶	<u>Ts</u> (Unnamed intrusives) e Miocene? (At least partly included in Tou ⁶)	NE MARKHAM: Gabbro, andesite porphyry, diorite	Intrudes Mebu Beds and Finisterre Volc. Commonly py; minor Cu mineraliz
		<u>Mena Beds</u> (Tm1) e-m Miocene	NE MARKHAM: Interbedded micaceous sandstone, greywacke, lithic siltstone, conglomerate, minor limestone lenses	Geosynclinal sed in S part of Northern New Guinea Basin; clastic sed contemporaneous with part of Gowop Lst. Probably unconformable on Mebu Beds; unconformable below Leron Fm. Contains forams and plant remains
		<u>Pindiu Sandstone</u> (Tmq) e-m Miocene (At least partly included in Tou ⁶)	5000 E CENTRAL HUON-SAG SAG: Well bedded, poorly sorted tuffaceous and in places carbonaceous sandstone and siltstone; fine to coarse, with argillaceous matrix	Deep-water marine environment which received turbiditic sed from volcanic source area to SW. Upper part of Finisterre Volc probably up-slope later equivalent of Pindiu Sst; conformable below Song R Calcareous and Gowop Lst; probably conformable on lower part of Finisterre Volc. Plank forams (1 Te-e Tf) and carbon plant remains
Units not differentiated, at least in part, from Tm1 ⁶ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Bogia: Quaternary Qs (see Qa ⁶); Quaternary Wandokai Lst (see Qs ⁶); and Plio Tp (see Tp ⁶). In Karkar: Mio-Pleistocene? Kabenau Beds (see Tp ⁶). In Ramu: Oligocene?-e Mio? Tlm (see Tou ⁶)				
Late Oligocene	Tou	<u>Tu</u> Tertiary or older (from early report, substantiated by neither private mining company investigation nor recent regional mapping)	W HUON-SAG SAG: Ultrabasic intrusions: coarse, even-grained peridotite and serpentinized peridotite	Small intrusions; seem to intrude Finisterre Volc and Tipsit Lst
	Tou ⁶	<u>Kwama Basalt</u> (Tmk, Tofk) e Miocene, 1 Oligocene (Partly at least included in Tp ⁶ ,	500 in Madang; 150 in Huon-Sag Sag	N HUON-SAG SAG, E MADANG, MARKHAM: Basaltic lava, generally much less brecciated than Finisterre Volcanics; porphyritic basalt*
Late Oligocene				In Huon-Sag Sag and Madang, flat-lying submarine platform which received series of lava flows; upper part interfingers with Tipsit Lst; in S, complex interfingering relation with both Gowop Lst and Tipsit Lst; in N conformable overlain by Kabwum Lst

Tou⁶
(contd)

Tmm-u⁶)

Mem and Tipsit Lst; probably conf on Finisterre Volc in S, Pindiu Sst in N; Mio age. Also present in Markham, but of Oligo age and termed Kwama Volc Mem of Finisterre Volc on N side of Saruwaged Ra

Mebu Beds
(Tom)
1 Oligocene-m Miocene

NE MARKHAM: Greywacke, argillite, basaltic-andesitic volcanolithic conglomerate; minor basaltic lava, pyroclastics, limestone lenses; rocks strongly indurated, veined, sheared

Dep in course of geosynclinal clastic sedimentation in S part of Northern New Guinea Basin. Unconf on Finisterre Volc; probably unconf below Mena Beds; intruded by unnamed e Mio minor intr; contemp with Tipsit Lst and low part of Gowop Lst. Contains foram

Tlm
Oligocene?-e Miocene?
(Partly at least included in Tml⁶)

1000+?

E RAMU: Well indurated sandstone, siltstone, mudstone, conglomerate, massive agglomerate; quartz and calcite veins

Struc complex: mainly fault-bounded blocks. Generally unfoss. Regarded as basement to petrol prospective sed of Ramu Basin

Finisterre Volcanics
(Tof)
e Oligocene-e Miocene
(1 Oligocene in Markham)
(Partly at least included in Tmu, Tmm-u⁶)

5500 in Huon Sag Sag; 2500-5000 in Madang; 4500 in Karkar I; 5000 in Bogia

S, NW MADANG, SE BOGIA, W HUON-SAG SAG, KARKAR I, NE MARKHAM: Basaltic and andesitic flow breccia, indurated tuffaceous lithic greywacke, lithic and crystal tuff, paraconglomerate, peperite and peperitic breccia, palagonite breccia, lava, pillow lava, pillow breccia; minor agglomerate, argillite, limestone lenses

In Huon-Sag Sag, submarine volcanoes and slopes with volcanolithic sed, rubble slides, paracgl, and assoc turbidite dep; conf below Gowop Lst in S-centre and Kwama Bs in N; interf with Pindiu Sst in N; possibly conf below Song R Calcarene in E; probably up part interf with and partly conf below Pindiu Sst. In Markham, inferred to be conf below Kwama Bs; unconf below Gowop Lst and Mebu Beds; intruded by unnamed e Mio minor intr; conf on Gusap Arg; in E, unconf below Tipsit Lst and Kabwum Lst Mem; in W, unconf below Kabenau Beds, Leron Fm, Wandokai Lst; contains larger foram and algae; dated by K-Ar method at 34.4 ± 1 m.y. to 24.1 ± 0.7 m.y.

Gusap Argillite
(Teg)
Eocene

5000 in Madang and Bogia

W MADANG, SW BOGIA, (KARKAR I, section only): Indurated, strongly jointed, veined cherty argillite, chert beds, tuffaceous lithic greywacke, lithic

Deep, probably fault-bounded trough and steep submarine slope which received at first fine terr detritus and plank foram, and later coarser volc detritus, lava flows, and tuff.

Tou⁶
(contd)

greywacke; subordinate basalt and andesite flow breccia, pillow lava, lava, volcanic breccia, dolerite and microdiorite dykes, lithic and crystal tuff, cherty micritic limestone, para-conglomerate

May overlies oceanic crust; grades up into Finisterre Volc; unconf below Leron Fm in SW, Kabenau Beds and Wandokai Lst in NW; probably thins gradually to N. Dated by plank foram and nannoplank (Pl2-14). Grades into Finisterre Volc indicating that either Teg extends into e Oligo or Finisterre Volc extend into 1 Eo; lithological similarity with Goroka Fm, which may be older, deeper level, more metam equiv; possibility of continuous dep of Goroka Fm through to Teg, i.e., Teg may range to Cret or Goroka Fm (see Region 3) may be E Tert in part

Late Oligocene

Units not differentiated, at least in part, from Tou⁶ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Karkar I: Quat Wandokai Lst (see Qs⁶). In Huon-Sag Sag: Pleist Qs (see Qa⁶); e-m Mio Tipsit Lst (see Tmm-u⁶); and e-m Mio Pindiu Sst (see Tml⁶). In Markham: Pleist Qpg (see Qs⁶); and e Mio? Ts (see Tml⁶). In Bogia: Plio-Pleist Uvo Volc (see Tp⁶). In Bogia, Karkar I, Madang: Mio-Pleist Kabenau Beds (see Tp⁶)

NEW BRITAIN (7)

Age	1M map unit	Constituent unit(s) in 1:250 000 Sheet areas	Thickness (m)	Lithology	Additional pertinent data
Quaternary	Qa ⁷	<u>Qa, Qab</u> (At least partly included in Qs ⁷)	to 500	POMIO, N and S TALASEA-GASMATA, N and S CAPE RAOULT-ARAWA, GAZELLE PENINSULA: Alluvium and beach sand: gravel, sand, silt, clay (Qa). Fanglomerate and raised boulder beds: gravel, sand, silt, mud; poorly consolidated (Qab)	Qab in Gazelle Pen only. In Pomio, Talasea-Gasmata, and Cape Raoult-Arawa, mainly Holo but probably includes some Pleist sed; boundaries with Kimbe Volc, Qc, and Cape Gloucester Volc poorly defined, grad and arbitrary in some areas; in places source of road metal and concrete agg. In Gazelle Pen, minor alluv Au; mt beach sands under investigation; gv used for road-making and agg; overlies Sai Beds and forms discontinuous capping on Ti. (Toi); plant remains and some molluscs
	Qv ⁷	<u>Qv</u> Quaternary	to 100	NE MADANG, KARKAR I, BOGIA: Tholeiitic basalt and andesitic pyroclastics; highly porphyritic; agglomerate, tuff, ash, reworked*	In Madang, strat relat unknown; subaerial volc, largely explosive; reworking of pyroclastics; part of active Bismarck Volcanic Arc
		<u>Qav</u> Holocene (Not mapped in detail)	to 100	N, NE GAZELLE PENINSULA: Volcanolithic gravel, sand, silt, minor primary ash; some current-bedding SAG SAG, MADANG, KARKAR I, BOGIA, SEPIK: Basalts, low- and high-silica andesites, very rare dacites; mostly highly porphyritic*	Reworked volc ejectamenta from Rabaul eruptive centres Westernmost New Britain, and offshore islands of northern mainland: Umboi, Ritter, Tolokiwa, Sakar, Siassi, Long, Crown, Bagabag, Karkar, Manam, Aris, Bam, and all remaining Schouten Is (Johnson, Taylor, & Davies, 1972)

Qv ⁷ (contd)	<u>Kimbe Volcanics</u> (Qk) Pleistocene-Holocene	to 1200 in Cape Raoult-Arawe; to 2500 in Talasea-Gasmata; to 3000 in Gazelle Peninsula	NW CAPE RAOULT-ARAWE, TALASEA-GASMATA, SW GAZELLE PENINSULA: Andesitic, dacitic, rhyolitic, and basaltic lava, pyro- clastics, reworked pyroclastics; prin- cipally ash, lapilli, scoria, rubble; minor obsidian; high-level hypabyssals; superficial ash and pumice	Include all volcanoes and their products between Likuruanga and Willaumez Pen. In Cape Raoult-Arawe, potential source of good-quality crushed agg. In Talasea-Gasmata, includes all volc and assoc material on N coast; youngest rocks erupted from Mt Ulawun in 1970; S on Mt Bamus, Pago, and Garbuna. In Gazelle Pen, some S in crater of Mt Lolobau
	<u>Cape Gloucester and Andewa Volcanic Complexes and Rabaul Volcanics</u> (Qg, Qs, Qv) Pleistocene-Holocene	to 2000 in Cape Raoult-Arawe; 1000-5000 in Gazelle Peninsula	NW CAPE RAOULT-ARAWE, GAZELLE PENINSULA: Basaltic, andesitic, dacitic lava, pyro- clastics, reworked pyroclastics; andes- itic porphyry, microdiorite	In Cape Raoult-Arawe, bulk of complexes occurs W of area as product of Tangi and Talawe volc- anoes; volcanoes probably Pleist as inferred from degree of dissection, but young cones pre- sent in places; overlie Aria Beds; potential local source of good-quality crushed agg. In Gazelle Pen, volc ejectamenta of Rabaul Volc from Rabaul eruptive centres from NE lowland; also eruptive centre at Watom I; pumice may be suitable for use as lightweight concrete agg
Qs ⁷	<u>Qc, Qpc</u> Pliocene?, Quaternary	to 300; 50-100 in Gazelle Peninsula	S TALASEA-GASMATA, S POMIO, S CAPE RAOULT-ARAWE, S, E GAZELLE PENINSULA: Raised coral: porous coral bioherms; mostly not crystallized; calcarenite, calcirudite, calcareous mudstone, silt- stone, sandstone, conglomerate; marl beach rock	Includes all reefs and lagoonal sed elevated above high-tide level; possibly as old as Plio in places; source of road and airstrip sur- facing material (coronous) and lime
	<u>Ip Beds</u> (Qpi) Pleistocene-Holocene	to 400	POMIO: Semiconsolidated conglomerate, sandstone, siltstone; minor sand- stone with molluscs; clasts include Baining Volc, unnamed plutonics, Yalam Lst	Fluv and marine; overlain by Qc; dep along fault; equiv to Qab in Sai R (Gazelle Pen); dated by plank foram (N22-23)

Quaternary

Qs ⁷ (contd)	<u>Riet Beds</u> (Qpr) Pleistocene-Holocene	300-500	GAZELLE PENINSULA: Fluvial conglomerate, sandstone, mudstone; partly tuffaceous; some current-bedding	Formed by erosion of Baining Mtns, with some volc ejecta higher in section; single C ¹⁴ date of 50 000 years; some bs dykes and sills; unconf on Sinewit Fm and Meulo Volc; conf and disconf below Rabaul Volc
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In Pomio, Qs⁷ also includes some Qa (see Qa⁷)

Late Pliocene

Tp ⁷	<u>Johanna Beds</u> (Tpj) Pliocene and younger (At least partly included in Tm ⁷)	to 200	CAPE RAOULT-ARAWA, SW TALASEA-GASMATA: Soft calcareous siltstone, sandstone, mudstone, conglomerate; limestone and shelly pumiceous siltstone	Pumiceous detritus suggests equiv to Kapiura Beds; unconf on Baining Volc, Kapuluk Volc, Yalam Lst; overlies and equiv in part to Aria Beds; overlain by and partly equiv to Qc, possibly extending into Pleist. Dated by plank foram (N19-21)
	<u>Aria Beds</u> (Tpa) Pliocene	to 500	CAPE RAOULT-ARAWA: Semiconsolidated marine volcanolithic sandstone, siltstone, mudstone, conglomerate; calcareous in part	Overlie Yalam Lst and overlain by Andewa Volc Comp and Johanna Beds; probably equiv to Johanna Beds. Dated by plank foram (N19-21)
	<u>Sai Beds</u> (Tps) 1 Miocene-Pliocene (Talasea-Gasmata) Pliocene (Pomio, Gazelle Peninsula)	150-500	N POMIO, S GAZELLE PENINSULA, TALASEA-GASMATA: Soft calcareous mudstone and siltstone; limestone lenses and interbeds. Locally in Gazelle Peninsula some sandy (tuffaceous?) interbeds in mudstone; coral-biohermal and bioclastic limestone lenses	In Pomio, overlie Baining Volc, Merai Volc, Yalam Lst, Sinewit Fm; dated by plank foram. In Gazelle Pen, later equiv of Lakit Lst and possibly of up part of Sinewit Fm; unconf below Qab; dated by foram (N19 and e N20); molluscs also present. In Talasea-Gasmata dated at N17-19
	<u>Lakit Limestone</u> (Tpl) Pliocene	200-300	GAZELLE PENINSULA: Bioclastic limestone; poorly consolidated; soft clayey calcareous matrix	Later equiv of Sai Beds; probably slight angular unconf on Sinewit Fm. Algal, coral, bry, and molluscan debris. Dated by foram. Possible commercial source of lime

Tmu-p ⁷	<u>Penk Volcanic Complex</u> (Tpp) Pliocene? (At least in part included in Tou ⁷)	to 300	CAPE RAOULT-ARAWA: Acid and intermediate pyroclastics and lava; porphyritic dacite or rhyolite plugs; volcanolithic conglomerate	Volc hbl-bearing. Possibly Plio on ground of preservation. Overlies Kapuluk Volc and marl facies of Yalam Lst
	<u>Kapiura Beds</u> (Tpk) Pliocene	to 450	CENTRAL W TALASEA-GASMATA: Semiconsolidated massive to well-bedded and tuffaceous sandstone, siltstone, conglomerate, tuff, volcanolithic conglomerate; minor limestone and calcareous sediments	Acid volc source indicated by abd qtz and pumice grains; similar to Sinewit Fm in Gazelle Pen. Unconf on Baining Volc, Kapuluk Volc, unnamed plutonic rocks, Yalam Lst; underlie Kimbe Volc. Age inferred from uplift, dissection, and unconf on Yalam Lst
	<u>Mungu Volcanics</u> (Tpm) Pliocene	to 450	W TALASEA-GASMATA: Dacite, rhyodacite, andesite, pumiceous tuff	Probable source of volc detritus in Kapiura Beds; may interf with Kapiura Beds; age inferred from degree of dissection
	<u>Toki Andesite</u> (Tpt) Pliocene (At least in part included in Tm ⁷)		NW TALASEA-GASMATA: Porphyritic hornblende andesite and microdiorite	Plio on grounds of preservation and probable intr relat with Sai Beds. Contains hbl, unlike Kimbe Volc ad
	<u>Sigule Volcanics</u> (Tmps) 1 Miocene-Pliocene	500-1000	E GAZELLE PENINSULA: Thick-bedded subaerial basaltic and andesitic lava, agglomerate, tuff; minor marine calcareous tuff	Underlain by Merai Volc; overlain by raised coral and Rabaul Volc. Dated by foram which are similar in Sinewit Fm (later equiv)
	<u>Sinewit Formation and Mevlo Volcanic Member</u> (Tmpi, Tmm) 1 Miocene-Pliocene	500-1000 in Gazelle Peninsula; to 500 in Pomio, member 200?	NE POMIO, GAZELLE PENINSULA: Semiconsolidated marine and fluvial tuffaceous arenite and lutite derived from acid and intermediate volcanic rocks; minor conglomerate, some limestone. In Gazelle Peninsula, also some rare thin lignite beds and calcareous facies;	In Pomio, unconf on Merai Volc; dated by foram. In Gazelle Pen, source of all clastics; contempor volc probably centered in Sigule Volc area; later equiv of Sigule Volc; unconf on Baining Volc, Ti, Merai Volc, Yalam Lst; conf on Mevlo Volc Mem; overlain by Lakit Lst and unconf by Riet Beds; dated by foram; thin local interbeds

Late Miocene - early Pliocene

Tmu-p⁷
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			dacitic and andesitic glassy lavas and ash-flow tuffs with some pumiceous semiwelded tuffs separated as member Tmm	of lignite probably too small for commercial dev. Mem only in Gazelle Pen; possibly represents final stage of eruption of Nengmukta Fm; unconf on Baining Volc and (or possibly intruded by) Ti; may be conf on Nengmukta Fm; conf below Sinewit Fm; 1 Mio age
	<u>Esis Beds</u> (Tmpe) 1 Miocene-Pliocene	to 600	POMIO: Well bedded to massive soft calcareous shale and siltstone; interbedded subordinate soft porous limestone (chalk)	Overlies Yalam Lst; probable part later equiv of Sinewit Fm m and Sai Beds. Dated as N18-19 by plank foram
	<u>Nengmukta Formation</u> (Tmn) 1 Miocene (At least in part included in Teu ⁷)	300-500	GAZELLE PENINSULA: Volcanic arenite and lutite with volcanic conglomerate interbeds; some fine carbonaceous interbeds, rare nodules and lenses of fine limestone; arenite and lutite show graded bedding and soft sediment deformation	Source subaerial or shallow-marine explosive eruptions; volc detritus partly redistributed by t.c. Unconf on Baining Volc; may be conf below Mevlo Volc Mem; unconf below Riet Beds. No foss evidence of age; probably earliest 1 Mio

Early - middle Miocene

Tm ⁷	<u>Yalam Limestone</u> (Tmy) Miocene	to 500 in Cape Raoult-Arawe; to 1300 in Talasea-Gasmata, Pomio; 1000-1200 in Gazelle Peninsula	E CAPE RAOULT-ARAWE, W POMIO, TALASEA-GASMATA, NW GAZELLE PENINSULA: Compact to porous, massive to well bedded, cor-algal limestone; massive to well bedded calcarenite, calcilutite, minor calcirudite; soft calcareous siltstone, sandstone, and mudstone, with interbedded chalky limestone. In NW Gazelle Peninsula, rare calcareous sandstone and conglomerate at base; limestone partly recrystallized and dolomitized	In Cape Raoult-Arawe, overlies Kapuluk Volc, and overlain by Penk Volc Comp, Aria Beds, Johanna Beds; dated by larger and smaller foram as 1 Te and e, 1 Tf; potential source of pure lime. In Pomio, dated by larger foram as Tf, some 1 Te. In Talasea-Gasmata, unconf on Baining Volc, Merai Volc, Kapuluk Volc, Toi; potential source of pure 1st; dated 1 Te-Tf by foram. In Gazelle Pen, deposited in shallow water during long gradual subsidence with no volc and no nearby eroding landmass; unconf on Baining Volc, Ti, Merai Volc; unconf below Sinewit Fm; only low part dated by foram; contains algae, corals, bry, molluscs
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Units not differentiated, at least in part, from Tm⁷ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Talasea-Gasmata: 1 Oligo Merai Volc (see Tou⁷). In Cape Raoult-Arawe: Plio Johanna Beds (see Tp⁷). In Talasea-Gasmata: Plio Toki Ad (see Tmu-p⁷). In Pomio: 1 Mio-Plio Esis Beds (see Tmu-p⁷)

Late Oligocene

Tou ⁷	<u>Kapuluk Volcanics</u> (Tok) 1 Oligocene	to 1500	E CAPE RAOULT-ARAWA, TALASEA-GASMATA: Massive to well bedded moderately indurated volcanic breccia, tuff, lapilli tuff, volcanic sandstone, siltstone, conglomerate; volcanics are basaltic to dacitic; minor limestone*	In Cape Raoult-Arawa, less indurated and jointed than Baining Volc; overlies Baining Volc, and overlain by Yalam Lst and Penk Volc; dated by larger and smaller forams as e Te. In Talasea-Gasmata, probably partly terr and partly marine; less indurated and jointed than Baining Volc
	<u>Merai Volcanics</u> (Tom) 1 Oligocene (At least in part included in Tm ⁷)	to 1000	N, CENTRAL POMIO, S GAZELLE PENINSULA, TALASEA-GASMATA: Massive to well bedded, moderately indurated volcanic conglomerate and breccia, volcanic arenite, tuff; minor lutite and basic lava POMIO: Zeolite alteration common; carbonate detritus and impure limestone abundant locally GAZELLE PENINSULA: Also includes carbonate debris and rare thin beds of bioclastic limestone; some fine-grained dykes and sills; volcanic material mostly andesitic TALASEA-GASMATA: Also some minor basaltic lava and limestone	In Pomio, generally less indurated, jointed, and faulted than Baining Volc, which they overlie unconf; dated by larger forams (e Te); thin, poor coal seams reported from one locality. In S Gazelle Pen, also less strongly indurated, jointed, sheared, and more carbonate debris than Baining Volc; source: contemporaneous volcanic partly submarine, some erosion of emergent Baining Volc, and shoal and reef lst; unconf on Baining Volc and probably most Ti; unconf below Yalam Lst, Sinewit Fm, Sigule Volc; dated by forams as e Te. In Talasea-Gasmata, equiv but geographically distinct from Kapuluk Volc, less indurated, jointed, and folded than Baining Volc; unconf on Baining Volc

Unit not differentiated, at least in part, from Tou⁷ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Cape Raoult-Arawa: Plio? Penk Volc Comp (see Tmu-p⁷)

Late Oligocene

Tou	<u>Intrusives</u> (Toi, Ti) 1 Oligocene (Toi in Cape Raoult-Arawa, Pomio, Talasea-Gasmata) 1 Eocene-Miocene (Ti in Gazelle Peninsula)	E CAPE RAOULT-ARAWA: Intrusive-extrusive complex of rhyolite, dacite, andesite, tuff; rhyodacite porphyry POMIO: Tonalite, gabbro, diorite, granodiorite, and adamellite; related	Exhibit intr relat with surrounding Baining Volc?, but may also be partly eruptive; probably related to 1 Oligo plutonic rocks of Kori R pluton Probably intr equiv of Merai Volc; intrude Baining Volc; 24.3-28.5 m.y. old by K-Ar
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Late Oligocene

Tou
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porphyries and microplutonic rocks

method. Disseminated py common; ch from stream boulders N of Sheet area

W TALASEA-GASMATA: As in POMIO but also some monzonite and mangerite; intrusive breccias and pyroclastic rocks

Probable intr equiv of Merai Volc and Kapuluk Volc. Unconf below Yalam Lst and Kapiura Beds. Igneous brec and pyroclastics from intr bodies. 22.0-28.7 m.y. old by K-Ar method; po mineraliz at Plesyumi, Kulu River, Uasilau

CENTRAL GAZELLE PENINSULA: Leucogabbro, dolerite, basic diorite, diorite, micro-diorite, tonalite, granodiorite, monzonite, adamellite

Mostly Oligo, some comagmatic with Baining Volc. some definite Mio (14 m.y. old by K-Ar method), some may be comagmatic with base of Sinewit Fm. Intermediate and acid calkalkaline in N Baining Mtns; high-K calkalkaline in central and S Baining Mtns. Prospective for po Cu-type mineraliz; Cu and Mo sulphides in dr; some Cu-Pb-Zn sulphide in contact zones; Cu sulphides in outcrop and boulders; Fe ore in contact zone at one localit; As in quartz veins assoc with Ti

Late Eocene

Teu⁷

Baining Volcanics
(Teb)
1 Eocene

2000+ in
most areas

E CAPE RAOULT-ARAWA: Massive, indurated strongly jointed basaltic and andesite lava, agglomerate, volcanic breccia, tuff; minor recrystallized limestone

Probably underlie younger rocks throughout much of New Britain; overlain by Kapuluk Volc, and intruded by Ti?

E POMIO: As above, but also some volcanogenic arenite and lutite; limestone lenses rare

May intrude Merai Volc in places. More indurated, jointed, and sheared than Merai Volc. Carbonate detritus uncommon. Slight metam apparent in many areas, with alteration to ep and chl. Py common. Base not exposed; older rocks unknown. Dated by larger foram (Tb)

Teu⁷
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Late Eocene

CENTRAL, SW, W TALASEA-GASMATA: Also some intermediate lavas and hypabyssal rocks

Py common. Base not exposed. More indurated, jointed, and sheared than Merai and Kapuluk Volc. Carbonate detritus uncommon. Slight metam apparent in many areas with alteration to ep and chl. Dated by foram, but no dates from W of 150°47'

GAZELLE PENINSULA: As above but lava flows rare; rare limestone clasts in volcanoclastic rocks; volcanic material mostly andesitic; some hornfels near intrusives; biotite and hornblende schist in narrow zone

Core of Gazelle Pen. Source: explosive ad submarine volc. Some redistribution of volc debris by slumping and t.c. Intruded by Ti; unconf below Merai Volc, Yalam Lst, Nengmukta Fm, Mevlo Volc Mem, Sinewit Fm, probably Sigule Volc, Riet Beds, raised coral. Dated by foram in volc clasts. Iron ore and some Cu-Pb-Zn sulphide in former 1st and slst of Teb at contact with Ti near Rangavere (N Baining coast)

Unit not differentiated, at least in part, from Teu⁷ on 1:1 000 000 map: In Gazelle Peninsula: 1 Mio Nengmukta Fm (see Tmu-p⁷)

BOUGAINVILLE AND NEW IRELAND (8)

Age	1M map unit	Constituent unit(s) in 1:250 000 Sheet areas	Thickness (m)	Lithology	Additional pertinent data
Qa ⁸	Q, Qh Quaternary		300+ on Bougainville	BOUGAINVILLE I N,S, NEW IRELAND: Silt, sand, gravel, coral	On Bougainville, derived mainly from volc mat- erial, and partly from organic material; also air-fall ash dep; unconf veneer on hills of older dep. In New Ireland (Hohnen, in prep.), in places alluv overlaps raised coral
Qv ⁸		BOUGAINVILLE GROUP: <u>Tore, Balbi, Bagana,</u> <u>Billy Mitchell, Numa</u> <u>Numa, Reini, Bakanovi,</u> <u>Takuan, and Taroka</u> <u>Volcanics, Emperor</u> <u>Range Volcanic Beds</u> (Czo, Czb, Czg, Czm, Czn, Czir, Czk, Czt, Czl, Cze) Pliocene, Pleistocene, Holocene	460-2135	BOUGAINVILLE I N,S: Andesitic lava, agg- lomerate, tuff, derived fan deposits; locally basaltic lava	Mainly products of individual stratovolcanoes; some not assigned to specific centres, but others derived from more than one centre; some as old as Plio but most others younger; some still active or semi-active. Tore Volc overlies Emperor Range Volc Beds and abut against Balbi Volc. Balbi Volc unconf on Emperor Range Volc Beds, unnamed volc (Czu), Keriaka Lst; abut against Tore, Numa Numa Volc. Bagana Volc unconf on Kieta Volc, Czu, Billy Mitchell Volc; abut against Reini Volc. Billy Mitchell Volc unconf on Czu, Kieta, Numa Numa, Reini Volc; unconf below Bagana Volc. Numa Numa Volc over- lain by Billy Mitchell, Reini Volc; unconf on Kieta Volc; abut against Bagana Volc. Bakanovi Volc unconf on Keriaka Lst, Kieta Volc. Takuan Volc unconf on Kieta Volc; interf with Taroka Volc. Taroka Volc unconf on Kieta Volc. Emperor Range Volc Beds unconf below Tore, Balbi Volc; abut against Sohano Lst; intruded by dr

Quaternary

Quaternary	Qs ⁸	<u>Qc</u> Holocene	S NEW IRELAND: Raised coral reefs, coarsely or finely laminated	Back-reef facies made up of <u>Tridacna</u> , foram tests, colonial corals <u>in situ</u> along margins, and locally oolites; offlapping coral terraces at many levels (Hohnen, in prep.)	
		<u>Sohano Limestone</u> (Qs) e Miocene?-Pleistocene	90	BOUGAINVILLE I N: Elevated reef complex of massive coralline and shelly limestone	Unconf on Buka Fm; abuts against Emperor Range Volc Beds. Pleist because of little dissection. Rich fauna of corals, algae, molluscs, bry, echino spines, and foram
		<u>Maton Conglomerate</u> (Czm) Pleistocene-Holocene	200-300	S NEW IRELAND: Coarse, current-bedded, cobble and boulder conglomerate and interbedded pebbly sandstone; well sorted, well rounded fragments of Jaulu Volcanics in sand matrix	Probably fgl deposits reworked locally by wave action. Unconf on Jaulu Volc, Rataman Fm, Punam and Surker Lst; unconf below Quat coral terraces (Hohnen, in prep.)
		<u>Uluputur Beds</u> (Czu) 1? Pleistocene	c.100	NEW IRELAND: Finely bedded calcareous cobble and boulder conglomerate with clasts of tuff and volcanolithic arenite and lutite, overlain by coquinoid lithic sandstone which passes upwards into alternating siltstone and lithic coquinoid sandstone	Inner neritic facies dep on Rataman Fm in small, shallow embayments in coastline. Abuts against and forms restricted embayments in Punam Lst, which may be coeval in part; unconf on Rataman Fm in type section. Abd molluscan fauna (Hohnen, in prep.)
		<u>Punam Limestone</u> (Czp) Pliocene or younger	200-1000	NEW IRELAND: Finely bedded, friable, moderately recrystallized chalky calc-arenite; coral-rich facies locally	Unconf on Rataman Fm and Jaulu Volc. Abd foram (Hohnen, in prep.)
Pliocene-Quaternary	TpQp	<u>Diorite</u> (Czd) Oligocene?-Pleistocene?	BOUGAINVILLE I N,S: Microdiorite, diorite, monzonite, granodiorite, syenite, granophyre	Intrudes Kieta Volc, Czu, Emperor Range Volc Beds. Assoc with Au and Cu mineraliz of probable Oligo and e Mio age; main Cu ores ch, bornite, ml on weathered surfaces; ore reserves at Panguna Cu mine 890 000 000 tonnes of 0.47% Cu ore and 0.54 g/tonne of Au (as at Dec 1973)	

Miocene - Pliocene	Tm-p ⁸	<u>Lelet Limestone</u> (Tmpl) le Miocene-Pliocene- Pleistocene?	to 1400	NEW IRELAND: Coral and algal biostromal calcarenite, calcirudite, minor foraminiferal biomicrite; limestone completely recrystallized at base and only slightly at top	Probably dep on igneous 'basement' of elongated volc islands. Unconf on Jaulu Volc and Lemau Intr Comp, and conf on Lossuk R Beds; partly abuts against and partly equiv to Rataman Fm; probably partly equiv to Surker Lst. Corals and algae abd; some foram (Hohnen, in prep.)
		<u>Lossuk River Beds</u> (Tml) e Miocene	c.150 at type section	NW NEW IRELAND: Finely laminated siltstone, well cemented angular calcirudite, pebbly feldspathic labile sandstone, conglomerate	Unconf on Jaulu Volc from which largely derived; overlain, apparently conf, by Mio parts of Lelet Lst. Dated by pelagic foram; corals, algae, biv locally (Hohnen, in prep.)
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Late Miocene - late Pliocene	Tmu-p ⁸	<u>Rataman Formation</u> (Tmr) l Miocene-e Pliocene	c.500	NEW IRELAND: Poorly lithified ash-fall andesitic and dacitic tuff, volcanolithic arenite and lutite, and foram marl and limestone; small local lenses of coal and conglomerate	Dep in course of radical changes in conditions of bottom envir. Overlies Jaulu Volc and Surker Lst with high-angle unconf; locally unconf below Punam Lst and Uluputur Beds. Abd corals, molluscs, and foram (Hohnen, in prep.)
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Early Miocene	Tml ⁸	<u>Surker Limestone</u> (Tms) e Miocene	c.500 in type section, thickens to 1300 in S?	S NEW IRELAND: <u>Lepidocyclina</u> chalk, clayey calcarenite, calcirudite; minor arenaceous limestone with rare calcareous volcanolithic sandstone	Unconf on Jaulu Volc and Lemau Intr Comp; abuts against Rataman Fm in N and E. Foram (Te) and biv (Hohnen, in prep.)
		<u>Keriaka Limestone</u> (Tl) e Miocene	1200+	BOUGAINVILLE I N,S: Foraminiferal, shelly, coralline, and algal limestone	Uplifted reef complex. Unconf on Kieta Volc; unconf below Bakanovi, Billy Mitchell, Numa, and Balbi Volc. Rich algae; some bry, corals, molluscs, dateable foram (Te)

Late Oligocene	Tou	<u>Lemau Intrusive Complex</u> (Toma, Tomb) e-m Oligocene	NEW IRELAND: Gabbro, norite, diorite, tonalite, trondhjemite, granodiorite, leucocratic dyke rocks; gabbro and norite - in places alkali-metasomatized, and in places with igneous flow-foliation	Discontinuous along length of island as dykes and stocks in Jaulu Volc; abd volc xenoliths. Overlain by e Mio part of Lelet Lst. Finely disseminated and vein-forming py abd. K-Ar ages 17.5 ± 0.6 m.y., 13.8 ± 0.5 m.y. (po rhyodacite); 31.8 ± 1.0 m.y. (Hohnen, in prep.)
	To ⁸	<u>Czu</u> Miocene?-Pliocene?	BOUGAINVILLE I N,S: Andesitic, basaltic, and dacitic lava, tuff, agglomerate	Unconf below Balbi, Numa Numa, Billy Mitchell, Bagana Volc; intruded by dr; may be equiv to Kieta Volc on location, geomorphology, and petrography
Oligocene		<u>Buka Formation</u> 490+ (Tb) Oligocene?-e Miocene	BOUGAINVILLE I N: Well bedded sandstone and siltstone composed of volcanic material and locally cross-bedded, graded-bedded and with slump structures; tuff, agglomerate, basaltic lava	Unconf below Sohano Lst. Age uncertain but thought similar to Kieta Volc
		<u>Kieta Volcanics</u> 1500+ (Tk) Oligocene? -e Miocene	CENTRAL BOUGAINVILLE I S: Agglomerate, tuff; sandstone, siltstone, conglomerate composed of volcanic material; cross-bedded; andesitic and basaltic lava erupted subaerially; pillow lava	Coarser dep probably laid down in alluv fans adjacent to high volc mtns. Unconf below Keriaka Lst and Bougainville Gp. Dated by foram
		<u>Jaulu Volcanics</u> 2000+ (Toj) m-1 Oligocene	NEW IRELAND: Mainly coarse andesitic lapilli tuff and agglomerate; clasts sub-angular with chilled or altered margins; less common welded ash-flow tuff, amygdaloidal and pillow lava, and tuffaceous limestone; local small lenses of coralline limestone	Form 'basement' of much of New Ireland; possibly built up from sea floor and some erupted in subaqueous envir. Unconf below e Mio and younger biogenic Lelet and Surker Lst and some clastic sed rocks (Lossuk R Beds). Dated by foram (e Te); K-Ar dating of 30.1 ± 1.0 m.y. from one sample (Hohnen, in prep.)

ADMIRALTY ISLANDS (9)

Age	IM map unit	Constituent unit(s) in 1:250 000 Sheet areas	Thickness (m)	Lithology	Additional pertinent data
Quaternary	Qa ⁹	<u>Qa</u> Pleistocene-Holocene	50	ADMIRALTY I E, W: Alluvium and beach deposits: gravel, sand, silt, mud, clay	Coastal Manus and Rambutyo Is
		<u>Qs</u> Pleistocene-Holocene (Included in Qv ⁹)	10	ADMIRALTY I W: Colluvium: chaotic deposits of angular rock fragments	Slumps on scarp surrounding South West Bay, Manus
		<u>Qc</u> Pleistocene-Holocene	20	ADMIRALTY I E, W: Raised coral reefs: biocalcirudite, algal-coralline biomicrite, biocalcarenite	Smaller islands; fringing and platform reef complexes. Corals, algae, bry, biv, gast. Dated by plank and larger foram. Unconf on Lorengau Bs, Naringel Lst, Luis Fm
		<u>Kulep Limestone</u> (Qpk) Pleistocene		ADMIRALTY I E: Coralgall biomicrite and biocalcirudite; biocalcarenite	Raised platform reefs on Rambutyo and Nauna Is. Unconf on Tmr, unconf below Qr, Qa. Dated by forams as Mio-Holo; considered to be Pleist on basis of stratigraphy. Also contains mollusc and algal frag, and bry. Phosphate on Nauna formed on old lagoonal surface
		<u>Coral sand</u> Pleistocene-Holocene	to 4	WUVULU, NINIGO: Coral sand, soil, boulders	Phosphate-crust and guano on Wuvulu and Aua Is (White & Warin, 1964)
		<u>Naringel Limestone</u> (Qpn) Pliocene-Pleistocene (At least in part included in Qv ⁹)	100	ADMIRALTY I E: Biocalcirudite, algal-foraminiferal biomicrite, biocalcarenite	Fringing and platform reef complex. Unconf on Lorengau Bs and Luis Fm. Contains corals, algae, bry, biv, gast, larger foram. Source of road agg; potential source of lime

Qv⁹

Baluan Basalt
(Qb)
Pleistocene-Holocene

ADMIRALTY I E: Porphyritic basalt lava and pyroclastics, partly reworked

Baluan and Mok Is. No recorded history of eruption, but Baluan I has thermal emission points. Bs are mildly alkaline and transitional (Johnson & Smith, 1974)

Tuluman Volcanics
(Qt)
Pleistocene-Holocene

ADMIRALTY I E: Obsidian, pitchstone, and rhyolite lava; pumiceous pyroclastics; partly reworked

Lou, Tuluman, and Pam Is, which may lie on nascent ring fracture. 12 eruptive centres identified on Lou I. Tuluman erupted in 1953-7 as submarine and subaerial explosive and effusive events (Reynolds & Best, 1957; Reynolds, 1958). Each of Pam Is is a single lava extrusion. Rocks have highly siliceous, near-peralkaline comp (Johnson & Smith, 1974)

Fedarb Volcanics
(Qfd, Qfb)
Pleistocene-Holocene

ADMIRALTY I E: Dacite (Qfd) and basalt (Qfb) lava and pyroclastics, lahars, reworked pyroclastics

Bs on Fedarb Is except Sivisa I; dacite only on Sivisa I. No recorded history of eruption; may be remnants of collapsed eroded volcano. Bs of Qtz tholeiite comp (Johnson & Smith, 1974)

Qv
Pleistocene-Holocene

ADMIRALTY I E,W: Lava, pyroclastics, reworked pyroclastics

Johnstone and Mbuke Is, S of Manus. No recorded history of eruption.

Likum Basalt 200
(Qp1)
Pleistocene

W ADMIRALTY I W: Basaltic lava, commonly vesicular, including olivine basalt; thin acidic tuff and lapilli tuff near base

Shallow-water marine explosive volc activity followed by slow, mainly subaerial, effusive activity. Unconf on Tasikim Aglm, Lauis Fm. Dated by K-Ar method as 1.73 ± 0.3 m.y. Prospective for bx as area covered by red clays

Tasikim Agglomerate 400
(Tpt)
Pliocene

W ADMIRALTY I W: Coarse andesitic agglomerate, lapilli tuff; tuff partly reworked; minor lava, flow-banded in places

Explosive volc activity in and around shallow marine enviro and coastal area of low relief. Unconf on Tinniwi Volc, Mundrau Lst, Lauis Fm; unconf below Likum Bs. Possibly thickest in SW

Units not differentiated, at least in part, from Qv⁹ on 1:1 000 000 map: Pleist-Holo Qs and Plio-Pleist Naringel Lst (see Qa⁹); and m Mio-Plio Lorengau Bs, m? or 1 Mio-Plio Lauis Fm, m? or 1 Mio Plio Rambutyo Beds, and Plio Tpi (see Tmu⁹)

Late Miocene

Tmu ⁹	<u>Rambutyo Beds</u> (Tmr) m? or 1 Miocene-Pliocene (At least in part included in Qv ⁹)	1000	ADMIRALTY I E: Tuffaceous calcareous lithic arenite, siltstone, mudstone; well bedded; interbedded paraconglomerate in places	Lithologically similar to Lauis Fm. Unconf below Qc. Dated by plank foram as N17-19 in part
	<u>Lorengau Basalt</u> (Tmb) m Miocene-Pliocene (At least in part included in Qv ⁹)	200	ADMIRALTY I E: Andesitic lava, commonly feldsparphyric; basalt, olivine basalt	Widespread subaerial flows in W, and submarine followed by subaerial flows in E. Unconf on Tinniwi Volc, Mundrau Lst, and in part on Lauis Fm, with which partly interf; unconf below Naringel Lst. Older portions exposed in S. Two main periods of volc indicated: m Mio and 1 Mio-Plio. Dated at 13.5 ± 0.8 m.y. and 7.9 ± 0.5 and 8.6 ± 0.6 m.y. by K-Ar method. Bx in places
	<u>Lauis Formation and Tingau Conglomerate</u> (Tml, Tmg) m? or 1 Miocene-Pliocene (At least in part included in Qv ⁹ , Tmm ⁹)	3000	ADMIRALTY I E, W: Tuffaceous calcareous lithic arenite, siltstone, mudstone; well bedded with some conglomerate, rare limestone; lignitic in places; interbedded basalt flows in places; also cut by basaltic dykes. Coarse conglomerate, pebble conglomerate, minor coarse lithic arenite	Partly paralic, but mainly deeper-water clastics. Capped by Lorengau Bs in places. Contains molluscs, bry, coral frag. Dated by plank foram as N16-19 in part. Facies equiv of Tingau Cgl
	<u>Tpi</u> Pliocene (At least in part included in Qv ⁹)		ADMIRALTY I E: Porphyritic microdiorite and feldspar porphyry	Small po accompanied by alteration and py mineraliz. Intrudes Rambutyo Beds; equiv? of Yirri Intr Comp

Unit not differentiated, at least in part, from Tmu⁹ on 1:1 000 000 map: 1 Eo-e Mio Tinniwi Volc (see To⁹)

Middle Miocene

Tmm ⁹	<u>Yirri Intrusive Complex</u> (Tmy)	ADMIRALTY I E, W: Medium-grained quartz diorite, quartz monzodiorite, quartz monzonite, tonalite. Dacite porphyry at margins of complex	Generally unaltered, mainly medium-grained composite intr; possibly multiphase. Dates range from 10.1 ± 0.8 m.y. to 17.6 ± 0.7 m.y. possibly indicating a number of pulses. Intruded by po phases with concomitant alteration; intrudes Tinniwi Volc
m Miocene	(At least in part included in To		
	<u>Dremsel alunitic phase</u> 300 max (of Yirri Intrusive Complex) (Tmyd)	ADMIRALTY I E, W: Quartz alunite, zeolite, pyrite-bearing breccia; altered and brecciated intermediate pyroclastics and breccia	Overlies Yirri Intr Comp; directly overlies po phases; presence of Tmyd clasts in Tasikim Aglm indicates up age limit of 1 Mio. Wide-spread brec, silicif, pyritiz, and advanced argillic alteration thought to be caused by late-stage resurgent boiling of intr. May represent altered coeval ad volc and subvolc pile, or may be altered basement Tinniwi Volc. Some Cu mineraliz; possibility of secondary enrichment near base
m Miocene	(At least in part included in To ⁹ , Tou)		
	<u>Mundrau Limestone</u> 200 (Tmm) e-m Miocene (At least in part included in To ⁹)	ADMIRALTY I E, W: Massive to poorly bedded algal-foraminiferal biomicrite, well bedded calcarenite at base	Probably dev as fringing reefs about volc islands. Unconf on Tinniwi Volc; unconf below Tasikim Aglm and Lauis Fm. Probably suitable for lime production. Dated by larger foram as 1 Te-e Tf. Contains molluscs, echino and serpulid frag

Units not differentiated, at least in part, from Tmm⁹ on 1:1 000 000 map: 1 Eo-e Mio Tinniwi Volc (see To⁹); and m? or 1 Mio-Plio Lauis Fm (see Tmu⁹)

Late
Olig- Tou Unit not differentiated, at least in part, from Tou on 1:1 000 000 map: m Mio Dremsel alunitic phase (see Tmm⁹)
ocene

Oligocene

To⁹

Tinniwi Volcanics

(Tot)

1 Eocene-e Miocene

(At least partly in-

cluded in Tmu⁹,

Tmm⁹)

ADMIRALTY I E, W: Andesitic and basaltic Oldest rocks exposed on Manus I. Unconf below
agglomerate, tuff, lava, lava breccia; Mundrau Lst. Dated by K-Ar method as $44.6 \pm$
lithic greywacke, some limestone lenses $5.0, 47.8 \pm 5.0, 20.2 \pm 0.8$ m.y.
near top

Units not differentiated, at least in part, from To⁹: m Mio Dremsel alunitic phase and Yirri Intr Comp and e-m Mio
Mundrau Lst (see Tmm⁹)

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APPENDIX 1

ABBREVIATIONS USED IN 'ADDITIONAL PEF .NENT DATA' COLUMN

Abundant	abd	Composition(al)	comp
Agglomerat/-e, -ic	aglm	Conform/-able, -ably	conf
Aggregate	agg	Conglomerate	cgl
Alluv/-ium, -ial	alluv	Construction	constr
Ammonite(s)	amm	Contemporaneous	contemp
Andesit/-e, -ic	ad	Copper	cu
Argillite	arg	Correlat/-e(d), -ive	corr
Arkose	ark	Cretaceous	Cret
Asbestos	as	Deposit(ed)	dep
Assemblage	assem	Develop/-ed, -ment	dev
Associat/-ed, -ion	assoc	Differentiated	diff
Azurite	az	Diorit/-e, -ic	dr
Basalt(ic)	bs	Disconform/-able, -ably, -ity	disconf
Bauxite	bx	Disseminat/-ed, -ions	dissem
Belemnite(s)	blm	Dolerit/-e, -ic	dl
Benthonic	benth	Early	E, e
Biomicrite	biomic	East	E
Biotit/-e, -ic	biot	Echinoderm(s)	echino
Bivalve(s)	biv	Environment	envir
Brachiopod(s)	brach	Eocene	Eo
Breccia(ted)	brec	Epidote	ep
Bryozoan(s)	bry	Equivalen/-t, -ce	equiv
Calcarenite	calcaren	Fanglomerate	fgl
Calc/-ite, -areous	calc	Fluviatile	fluv
Calcilutite	calcilut	Foraminiferida	foram
Campanian	Camp	Formation	Fm, fm
Carbon/-aceous, -ized	carb	Fossil(iferous)	foss
Cenomanian	Cen	Fragment(s)/-ary	frag
Chalcocite	cc	Gabbro	gb
Chalcopyrite	ch	Gastropods	gast
Chlorit/-e, -ic	chl	Glaucinit/-e, -ic	gl
Chromite	cr	Gneiss	gn
Claystone	clst	Gold	Au
Complex (named)	Comp	Gradational	grad

APPENDIX 1 (continued)

Granite	gr	Monazite	mz
Granodiorit/-e, -ic	gd	Mount	Mt
Graphit/-e, -ic	gt	Mountain(s)	Mtn(s)
Gravel	gv	Mudstone	mdst
Greywacke	gwke	Nickel	Ni
Group	gp	North	N
Hematite	hem	Oligocene	Oligo
Hornblende	hbl	Paleocene	Paleo
Indeterminate	indet	Paraconformable	paraconf
Intercalat/-ed, -ion(s)	intcal	Peninsula (named)	Pen
Interfinger	interf	Petroleum	petrol
Intrus/-ion, -ive	intr	Phosphat/-e, -ic	ph
Iron	Fe	Plagioclase	plag
Island(s)	I(s)	Planktonic	plank
Jurassic	Jur	Platinum	Pt
Late	L, l	Pleistocene	Pleist
Lateral(ly)	later	Pliocene	Plio
Limestone	lst	Porphy/-y, -itic	po
Limbit/-e, -ic	lim	Pyrit/-e, -ic	py
Lower	low	Pyritization	pyritiz
Maastrichtian	Maast	Pyrrhotite	pyrrh
Magnesite	ms	Quartz	qtz
Magnetite	mt	Quaternary	Quat
Malachite	ml	Range(s) (named)	Ra(s)
Manganese	Mn	Relation	relat
Member	Mem, mem	River (named)	R
Mesozoic	Mes	Rutile	rut
Metabasalt	metabs	Sandstone	sst
Metadiorite	metadr	Sediment(ary)	sed
Metamorph/-ic(s), -ism, -osed	metam	Senonian	Sen
Microdiorite	microdr	Serpentin/-e, -ite	serp
Microplankton	micropl	Shale	sh
Middle	M, m	Silicification	silicif
Mineralization	mineraliz	Siltstone	siltst
Miocene	Mio	Silver	Ag
Molybdenum	Mo	South	S

APPENDIX 1 (continued)

Strat/-a, -igraphic	strat
Structure	struc
Sulphur	S
Superposition	superpos
Terrestrial	(terr
Terrigenous	terr
Tertiary	Tert
Thorium	Th
Transition(al)	trans
Turbidity currents	t.c.
Turonian	Tur
Ultramafic(s)	ultram
Unconform/-ity, -able, -ably	unconf
Undifferentiated	undiff
Unfossiliferous	unfoss
Upper	up
Volcan/-ic(s), -ically, -ism	volc
West	W
Zinc	Zn

APPENDIX 2

ALPHABETICAL LIST OF 1:250 000 SHEETS AND MAIN REFERENCES

Abau (SC55-12): Smith & Davies (1973a)
Admiralty Is E and W (S55-10,11): Jaques (1976)
Aitape (SA54-15): (see Vanimo-Aitape)
Ambunti (SB54-4): Davies & Hutchison (in prep.c); Dow, Smit, Bain, & Ryburn (1972)
Arawe (SB55-12): (see Cape Raoult-Arawe)
Aroa (SC55-6): (see Port Moresby, Kalo, and Aroa)
Aworra River (SB54-16): Not mapped
Blucher Range (SB54-7): Davies & Norvick (1974)
Boigu(SC54-7): Not mapped
Bogia (SB55-1): Jaques & Robinson (1975); Johnson, Taylor, & Davies (1972)
Bougainville I N and S (SB56-8,12): Blake (1967); Blake & Miezeitis (1967)
Buna (SC55-3): Davies (in prep.)
Calvados (SC56-14): Not mapped
Cape Nelson (SC55-4): (see Tufi-Cape Nelson)
Cape Raoult-Arawe (SB55-8, 12): Ryburn (1976)
Cape St George (SB56-3): (see New Ireland and Tabar Islands)
Daru-Maer (SC54-8, 55-5): Willmott (1972)
Deboyne (SC56-10): Mapped in part by de Keyser (1961)
Fergusson I (SC56-5): Davies (1973a)
Fly River (SC54-3): Not mapped
Gasmata (SB56-9): (see Talasea-Gasmata)
Gazelle Peninsula (SB56-2): Davies (1973b)
Gulf (SC55-1): Not mapped
Huon-Sag Sag (SB55-11,7): Robinson (1974)
Kalo (SC55-11): (see Port Moresby, Kalo, and Aroa)
Karimui (SB55-9): Bain & Mackenzie (1974); Bain, MacKenzie, & Ryburn (1975)
Karkar I (SB55-2): Robinson & Jaques (1974); Johnson, Taylor, & Davies (1972)
Kavieng (SA56-9): (see New Ireland and Tabar Islands); Brown (in prep.)
Kikori (SB55-13): Pieters (in prep.)
Kilinailau (SB56-4): Not mapped
Kiwai (SC54-4): Not mapped
Lake Kutubu (SB54-12): Brown & Robinson (in prep.)
Lake Murray (SB54-15): Not mapped
Mabua (SA56-10): Mapped, but state of progress not known

APPENDIX 2 (continued)

Madang (SB55-6): Robinson, Jaques, & Brown (1976); Johnson, Taylor, & Davies (1972)
Maer (SC55-5): (see Daru-Maer)
Markham (SB55-10): Grainger & Tingey (1976)
May River (SB54-3): Davies & Hutchison (in prep.b); Dow, Smit, Bain, & Ryburn (1972)
Mussau I (SA55-8): Wallace (in prep.)
Namatanai (SA56-14): (see New Ireland and Tabar Islands)
New Ireland and Tabar Islands: Hohnen (in prep.)
Ninigo (SA55-5): Not mapped (but see White & Warin, 1964)
Nuguria (SA56-16): Not mapped
Nukumanu (SB57-1): Not mapped
Pomio (SB56-6): Ryburn (1974)
Port Moresby, Kalo, and Aroa (SC55-7, 11, 6): Pieters (1974, in prep.)
Ramu (SB55-5): Bain & Mackenzie (1975); Bain, Mackenzie, & Ryburn (1975)
Raggi (SB54-11): Mapped but state of progress not known
Rossel (SC56-5): Smith & Pieters (1969)
Sable (SC56-13): Not mapped
Sag Sag (SB55-7): Partly mapped (see Huon-Sag Sag; also Johnson, Taylor, & Davies, 1972)
Salamaua (SB55-15): Mapped but state of progress not known
Samarai (SC56-9): Smith & Davies (1973b)
Samo (SA56-15): (see New Ireland and Tabar Islands)
Sepik (SA55-13): Hutchison (in prep.); Johnson, Taylor, & Davies, 1972
Talasea-Gasmata (SB56-5, 9): Ryburn (1974)
Tauu (SB57-1): Not mapped
Tench (SA56-5): Not mapped
Tingwon (SA55-12): Not mapped
Trobriand Islands (SC56-1): Not mapped
Tufi-Cape Nelson (SC55-8, 12): Davies & Smith (1974)
Vanimo-Aitape (SA54-11,15): Norvick & Hutchison (in prep.)
Wabag (SB54-8): Davies & Hutchison (in prep.a); Dow, Smit, Bain, & Ryburn (1972)
Wau (SB55-14): Dow, Smit, & Page (1974)
Wewak (SA54-16): Hutchison & Norvick (in prep.)
Witu Is (SB55-4): Not mapped (but see Johnson, Taylor, & Davies, 1972)
Woodlark (SC56-6): Trail (1967)
Wuvulu I (SA54-8): Not mapped (but see White & Warin, 1964)
Yule (SC55-2): Brown (1974, in prep.)

Appendix 3

STANDARD CAINOZOIC TIME SCALE FOR PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Age m.y.	E p o c h	Tertiary Letter Stage	Planktonic Foram Zone	Papuan Stage	
1.85	PLEISTOCENE	Th	N 23	upper	
	P L I O C E N E		N 22		
5.5			N 21		
			N 20		
9.0			N 19		
	N 18				
12.5	LATE MIOCENE	Tg	N 17	MURUAN	
			N 16		
15.0	MIDDLE MIOCENE	upper Tf (≡ f ₃)	N 15	IVORIAN	KIKORIAN
			N 14		
22.5	EARLY MIOCENE	lower Tf (≡ f ₁₋₂)	N 13	TAURIAN	
			N 12		
30.0	LATE OLIGOCENE	lower Te	N 11	? ? ? ? ?	
			N 10		
32.0	EARLY OLIGOCENE	Tc	N 9	? ? ? ? ?	
			N 8		
36.0	LATE EOCENE	Tb	N 7	KERERUAN	
			N 6		
45.0	MIDDLE EOCENE	Ta ₃	N 5	? ? ? ? ?	
			N 4		
49.0	EARLY EOCENE	Ta ₂	N 3	? ? ? ? ?	
			N 2		
53.7	? ? ?	Ta ₁	N 1	? ? ? ? ?	
53.7	LATE PALAEOCENE	Ta ₁	P 19		
			P 18		
53.7	LATE PALAEOCENE	Ta ₁	P 17	? ? ? ? ?	
			P 16		
53.7	LATE PALAEOCENE	Ta ₁	P 15	? ? ? ? ?	
			P 14		

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ALPHABETICAL LISTS OF STRATIGRAPHIC UNITS AND
UNNAMED MAP SYMBOLS

Listed below, in alphabetical order, are all the stratigraphic names and symbols which are discussed in the compiled tables. The names have unequal status, and a special effort has been made to ensure that the status of each is clearly stated.

Firstly, there are the formal names, marked by an asterisk (*), which have been officially defined in geological literature. Then there are those which, although used in published literature for some time, have never been formally defined; these are marked by a cross (+). Names reserved but not as yet officially defined in published literature are denoted by a minus (-) sign. Names marked with a diagonal stroke (/) are those which though never formally defined have been used in literature, though in a different form, e.g. as series rather than beds.

(a) Stratigraphic Units

Adau Limestone (+)62	Astrolabe Agglomerate (+) 58
Agaun Conglomerate (+) 50	Atemin Shale (+) 36
Aibala Volcanics (*) 67	Auga Beds (*) 72
Aifunka Volcanics (*) 42	Aure Beds (*) 33,64
Akuna Intrusive Complex (+) 41	Awaitapu Claystone (+) 55
Amanab Metadiorite (-) 22	Awin Formation (+) 28
Amawa Metamorphics (+) 81	Babwaf Conglomerate (+) 55
Ambunti Metamorphics (*) 23	Badila Beds (+) 70
Amogu Conglomerate (-) 18	Badu Granite (*) 37
Amora Conglomerate (*) 69	Bagana Volcanics (*) 101
Amphlett Volcanics (+) 77	Baining Volcanics (+) 99
Andewa Volcanic Complex (+) 94	Bakanovi Volcanics (*) 101
Antares Monzonite (+) 29	Balbi Volcanics (*) 101
Apinaipi Formation (*) 54,57	Balimbu Greywacke (*) 25,47
April Ultramafics (+) 19	Baluan Basalt (-) 106
Ara Greenschist (*) 82	Barida Beds (+) 16
Ararabu Conglomerate (+) 53	Baruni Calcarenite (*) 69
Aria Beds (-) 95	Bena Bena Formation (*) 46
Asai Shale (+) 73	Renembi Diorite (+) 39

Bewani Formation (+) 10	Dokuna Tuff (+) 66
Billy Mitchell Volcanics (*) 101	Domara River Conglomerate (+) 54
Birim Formation (+) 30	Duau Volcanics (+) 27
Bismarck Intrusive Complex (+) 40	East Cape Gabbro (+) 67
Bliri Volcanics (+) 22	Edie Porphyry (+) 53
Boera Limestone (*) 65	Efogi Volcanics (*) 51
Bogoro Limestone (+) 71	Eia Beds (-) 68
Boini Beds (-) 13	Elandora Porphyry (-) 40
Bol Arkose (+) 36	Emo Metamorphics (*) 72
Bomuguina Beds (*) 68	Emperor Range Volcanic Beds (+) 101
Bonenau Schist Member (+) 70	Era Beds (+) 30
Bonua Porphyry (+) 54	Esis Beds (+) 97
Bootless Inlet Limestone (+) 66	Fedarb Volcanics (-) 106
Border Mountains Limestone Beds (+) 15	Feing Group (*) 34
Bougainville Group (*) 101	Fife Bay Volcanics (+) 55
Buka Formation (*) 104	Finisterre Volcanics (*) 91
Bulimp Formation (+) 9	Foasi River Limestone Member (*) 69
Bulolo Agglomerate (+) 56	Frieda Porphyry (+) 19
Burgers Formation (*) 17	Fuk Beds (+) 14
Calvados Schist (+) 82	Gabahusuhusu Syenite (+) 63
Cape Gloucester Volcanic Complex (-) 94	Gidobada Limestone (+) 61
Cape Nelson Volcanics (+) 52	Gidogidora Granodiorite (+) 76
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Chambri Diorite (+) 26	Godaguina Beds (+) 68
Chim Formation (+) 23,34,44	Goodenough Volcanics (+) 75
Chimbu Limestone (*) 43	Goroka Formation (*) 45
Chiria Formation (*) 61	Goropu Metabasalt (+) 70
Chuingai Limestone (*) 32	Gowop Limestone (*) 88
Cloudy Bay Volcanics (+) 55	Gudanai Metamorphics (+) 81
Crater Mountain Volcanics (+) 39	Gufug Gneiss (*) 24
Dabi Volcanics (+) 66	Gulewa Formation (*) 78
Darai Limestone (+) 32	Gusap Argillite (-) 91
Debolina Beds (+) 65	Gwenif Formation (-) 15
Deboyne Metavolcanics (-) 81	Gwoira Conglomerate (+) 55
D'Entrecasteaux Complex (+) 80	Hagen Volcanics (*) 27,38
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Ialibu Volcanics (+) 27
Iauga Formation (*) 62
Ibau Breccia (+) 53
Ieru Formation (+) 34
Imburu Mudstone (+) 35
Imo Tonalite (+) 67
Imudat Monzonite (+) 63
Ip Beds (+) 94
Ipe Formation (+) 12
Iwoer Formation (+) 32
Jaulu Volcanics (*) 104
Jimi Greywacke (*) 48
Johanna Beds (+) 95
Juliade Limestone (+) 68
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Kagi Metamorphics (*) 72
Kainantu Beds (*) 39
Kana Volcanics (*) 25, 47
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Karawari Conglomerate (*) 17
Karimui Volcanics (+) 27, 38
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Kenangi Gabbro (+) 41
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Kido Limestone (*) 62
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Kukuia Volcanics (+) 77
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Kumal Marl Member (-) 13
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Lakit Limestone (+) 95
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Mai Conglomerate Member (-) 13	Namie Breccia (+) 56
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Mailu Sandstone (+) 55	Naringel Limestone (+) 105
Managalase Volcanics (*) 51	Nasai Limestone (*) 78
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Marabu Limestone (-) 15	Nebire limestone (-) 70
Maramuni Diorite (+) 19	(See Port Moresby Beds)
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Marum Basic Belt (+) 42	Nengmukta Formation (+) 97
Maton Conglomerate (*) 102	Neni Formation (*) 11
Mebu Beds (*) 91	Neumayer Beds (*) 7
Mebulibuli Metamorphics	Nipanata Beds (+) 71
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Mount Lamington Volcanics (+) 52	Otibanda Formation (*) 56
Mount Murray Volcanics (+) 27	Ouba Beds (+) 86
Mount Suau Member (+) 55	Oveia Diorite (*) 60
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- Puwani Limestone (+) 17
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- Senu Beds (-) 16
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- Sohano Limestone (+) 102
- Song River Calcarenite (+) 88
- Songaian Formation (+) 13
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- Talama Volcanics (+) 59
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- Tasikim Agglomerate (-) 106
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- Tibinini Limestone Member (*) 32
- Timbe River Conglomerate (+) 85
- Tingau Conglomerate (+) 107
- Tinniwi Volcanics (+) 109
- Tipsit Limestone (+) 89
- Toki Andesite (+) 96
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Toro Sandstone (+) 35	Wakioki Fanglomerate (+) 50
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Torricelli Intrusive Complex (+) 20	Warre Limestone Member (+) 31
Touiaiwaira Limestone Member (+) 69	Watuti Gabbro (+) 63
Tuluman Volcanics (-) 106	Wedge Hill Limestone (*) 57
Tumoflu Mudstone Member (-) 11	Wewak Beds (-) 10
Ubo Fanglomerate (+) 50	Wirui Limestone (+) 6
Uga Sandstone (+) 55	Wogamush Beds (+) 17
Ulahau Fanglomerate (-) 8	Wonai Hill Formation (*) 78
Ulo Ulo Gabbro (+) 63	Wongop Sandstone (+) 30
Uluputur Beds (*) 102	Woruka Siltstone (+) 64
Umuna Schist (*) 82	Wosera Beds (-) 7
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Uvo Volcanics (*) 87	Wuro Beds (-) 8
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Victory Volcanics (+) 52	Yalam Limestone (+) 97
Wahgi Group (+) (see Chim Fm and Kondaku Tuff and Maril Shale)	Yangi Beds (*) 32
Wai Asi Beds (+) 31	Yau Gabbro (+) 71
Waiowa Volcanics (*) 51	Yaveufa Formation (*) 41
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(b) Unnamed Map Symbols

Czu 104	Qab 93
Jlu 47	Qav 93
K1 35	Qc 6,53,75,76,86,94,102,105
Mb 83	Qf 7,38,84
Md 80	Qh 101
Mum 24	Qha 6,38,49,84
P 26	Qhc 49
Q 76, 101	Qhl 39
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Qa ₁ 28, 49	Ql 76

Qm	6	Tmn	55
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Qpc	49,94	Tmt	32
Qpg	51,85	Tmtz	31
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Qpu	51	Tom	21
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Qt	28,49	Tpa	55
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Teh	43	TQs	29
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Tm	19,31,32	Tu	90
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Acid intrusives	80	High-level gabbro	74
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Coral sand	105	Metagabbro	82
Cumulate gabbro	74	Metamorphic phase of Om Beds	36
Cumulate ultramafics	74	Mount Ian gabbro	29
Diorite	102	Porphyry	81
Dolerite	79	Tectonite ultramafics	74
Dremsel alunitic phase	108	Trondhjemite	82
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(b) Unnamed Map Symbols

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Q: 76,101; Qa: 6, 27, 28, 38, 49, 75, 76, 84, 93, 105; Qa₁: 28, 49;
Qab: 93; Qav: 93; Qc: 6, 53, 75, 76, 86, 94, 102, 105; Qf: 7, 38, 84;
Qh: 101; Qha: 6, 38, 49, 84; Qhc: 49; Qhl: 39; Qhw: 51; Ql: 76; Qm: 6;
Qp: 7, 39, 49, 86; Qpa: 51; Qpc: 49, 94; Qpg: 51, 85; Qphf: 38, 84;
Qpm: 27, 85; Qpu: 51; Qr: 67; Qs: 6, 27, 38, 49, 53, 75, 84, 105;
Qt: 28, 49; Qv: 93, 106; Qvy: 51; TQs: 29

PLIOCENE

Czu: (Mio?-Plio?): 104; Qpc (Plio?, Quat): 94; Tmi (Mio-Plio): 64;
Tmn (1 Mio-1 Plio): 55; Tp (Plio): 14, 56, 87; Tpa (Plio): 55; Tpi
(Plio): 87, 107; Tpi (Plio): 107; Tpv (Plio): 76; Tpy (Plio): 57

MIOCENE

Czu (Mio?-Plio?): 104; Tlm (Oligo?-e Mio?): 91; Tm (Mio): 19, 31, 32;
Tmsg (e-1 Mio): 16; Tmi (Mio-Plio): 64; Tmn (1 Mio-e Plio): 55;
Tms (1 Mio): 61; Tmsg (e-1 Mio): 16; Tmt (e-m Mio): 32; Tmtz (m-1 Mio):
31; Tmu (1 Mio): 60; Tmx (1 Oligo-e Mio): 31, 65; Tou (1 Oligo-e or m?
Mio): 43; Ts (e Mio?): 90

OLIGOCENE

Tlm (Oligo?-e Mio?): 91; Tmx (1 Oligo-e Mio): 31, 65; Tom (1 Oligo?): 21;
Tou (1 Oligo-e or m? Mio): 43; U (pre-Mio?): 24

EOCENE

Te (Eo): 33; Te (Eo): 68; Teh (m-1 Eo): 43

TERTIARY

Tu (Tert or older): 90

MESOZOIC

Mum (Mesoz?): 24

CRETACEOUS

Kl (E Cret): 35; Mb (Cret or older): 83; Md (Cret?): 80

JURASSIC

Mb (Cret or older): 83