

Geochemical de-risking in Arctic Regions: Identifying Hydrocarbon Phase Before Drilling



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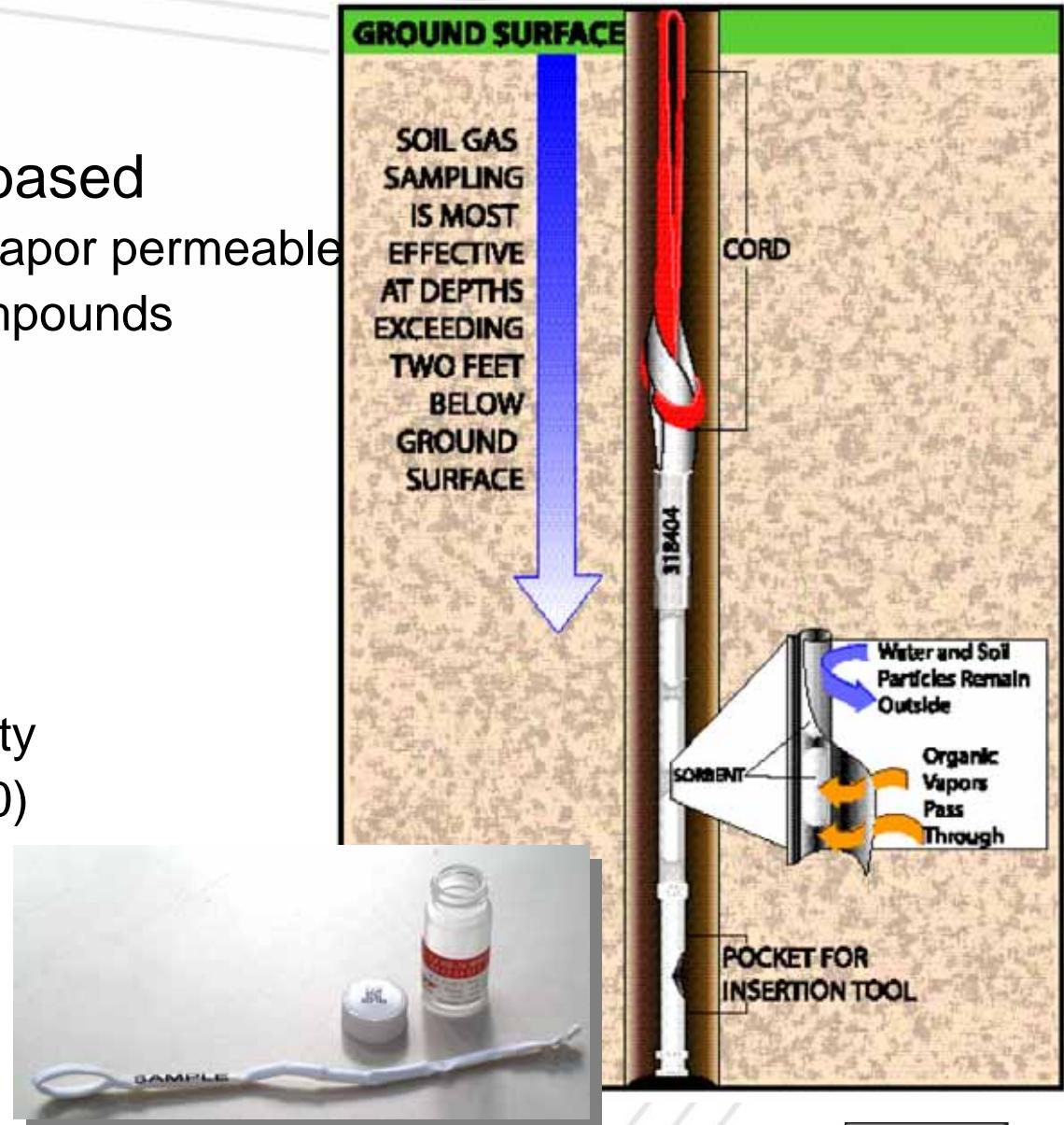
How do you know if a structure is charged before Drilling?

- If it is charged, is it charged with gas or oil?
- Amplified Geochemical ImagingSM technology can define Hydrocarbon Phase in Structures
- Two examples from arctic regions in West Siberia and Northwest Territories



GORE® Module

- Patented, passive, sorbent-based
 - Chemically-inert, waterproof, vapor permeable
 - Direct detection of organic compounds
 - Sample integrity protected
- Engineered sorbents
 - Consistent sampling medium
 - Minimal water vapor uptake
- Time-integrated sampling
 - Minimize near-surface variability
 - Maximize sensitivity (up to C20)
 - Avoids variables inherent in instantaneous sampling
- Duplicate samples



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Module Installation & Retrieval



Onshore
&
Offshore



AMPLIFIED GEOCHEMICAL IMAGINGSM

Winter Sample Installation & Retrieval

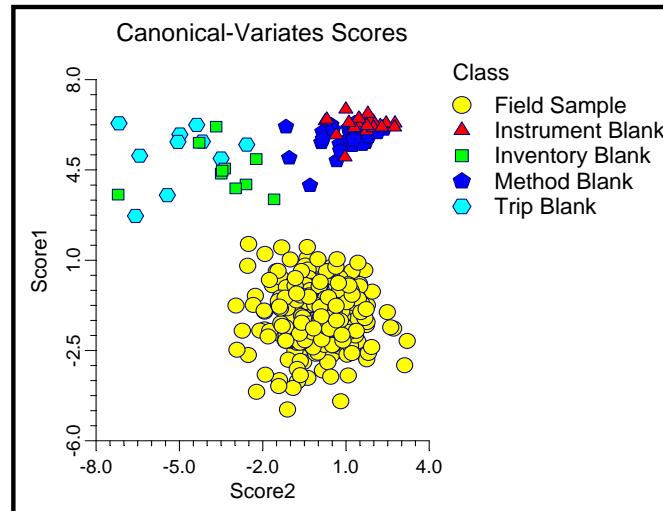


GORE® Surveys module Analysis

Lab & QA/QC



- TD/GC/MS analysis in controlled laboratory
- Rich mass data set
- [85 compounds, C₂ thru C₂₀]



- Analytical QA/QC blanks
- Calibration & tuning standards
- Industry standard instrumentation
- Clean facility standards & practices
- 40% samples analyzed are QA/QC Samples
- ISO guidelines

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Analytical Compound List by Compound Class: C2 – C20

Typical Petroleum Constituents Hydrocarbon number in ()			
Normal Alkanes	Iso-alkanes	Cyclic Alkanes	Aromatics and PAH*
Ethane (2)	2-Methylbutane (5)	Cyclopentane (5)	Benzene (6)
Propane (3)	2-Methylpentane (6)	Methylcyclopentane (6)	Toluene (7)
Butane (4)	3-Methylpentane (6)	Cyclohexane (6)	Ethylbenzene (8)
Pentane (5)	2,4-Dimethylpentane (7)	cis-1,3-Dimethylcyclopentane (7)	m,p-Xylenes (8)
Hexane (6)	2-Methylhexane (7)	trans-1,3-Dimethylcyclopentane (7)	o-Xylene (8)
Heptane (7)	3-Methylhexane (7)	trans-1,2-Dimethylcyclopentane (7)	Propylbenzene (9)
Octane (8)	2,5-Dimethylhexane (8)	Methylcyclohexane (7)	1-Ethyl-2/3-methylbenzene (9)
Nonane (9)	3-Methylheptane (8)	Cycloheptane (7)	1,3,5-Trimethylbenzene (9)
Decane (10)	2,6-Dimethylheptane (9)	cis-1,3/1,4-Dimethylcyclohexane (8)	1-Ethyl-4-methylbenzene (9)
Undecane (11)	Pristane (19)	cis-1,2-Dimethylcyclohexane (8)	1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene (9)
Dodecane (12)	Phytane (20)	trans-1,3/1,4-Dimethylcyclohexane (8)	Indane (9)
Tridecane (13)		trans-1,2-Dimethylcyclohexane (8)	Indene (9)
Tetradecane (14)		Ethylcyclohexane (8)	Butylbenzene (10)
Pentadecane (15)		Cyclooctane (8)	1,2,4,5-Tetramethylbenzene (10)
Hexadecane (16)		Propylcyclohexane (9)	Naphthalene (10)
Heptadecane (17)			2-Methylnaphthalene (11)
Octadecane (18)			Acenaphthylene (12)

Byproduct / Alteration and Other Compounds			
Alkenes	Aldehydes	Biogenic	NSO* and Other Compounds
Ethene (2)	Octanal (8)	alpha-Pinene	Furan
Propene (3)	Nonanal (9)	beta-Pinene	2-Methylfuran
1-Butene (4)	Decanal (10)	Camphor	Carbon Disulfide
1-Pentene (5)		Caryophyllene	Benzofuran
1-Hexene (6)			Benzothiazole
1-Heptene (7)			Carbonyl Sulfide
1-Octene (8)			Dimethylsulfide
1-Nonene (9)			Dimethyldisulfide
1-Decene (10)			
1-Undecene (11)			

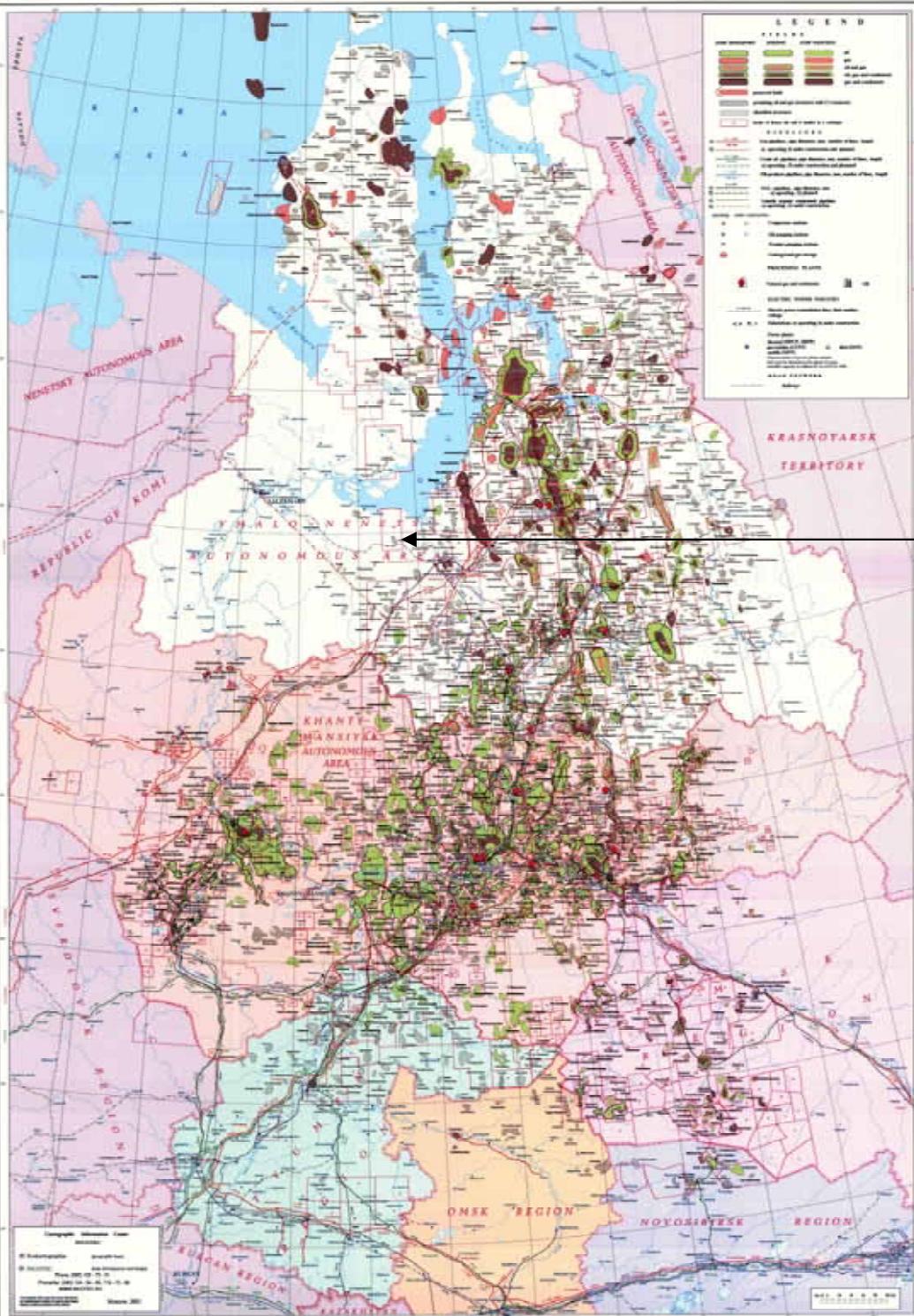
Example from West Siberia

Geologic Setting

- Location - Yarudey Uplift
- Shuginskaya Anticline
- Target - Lower-middle Jurassic formation
- Depth – 2,500 to 3,000 meters



OIL AND GAS FIELDS OF WEST SIBERIA



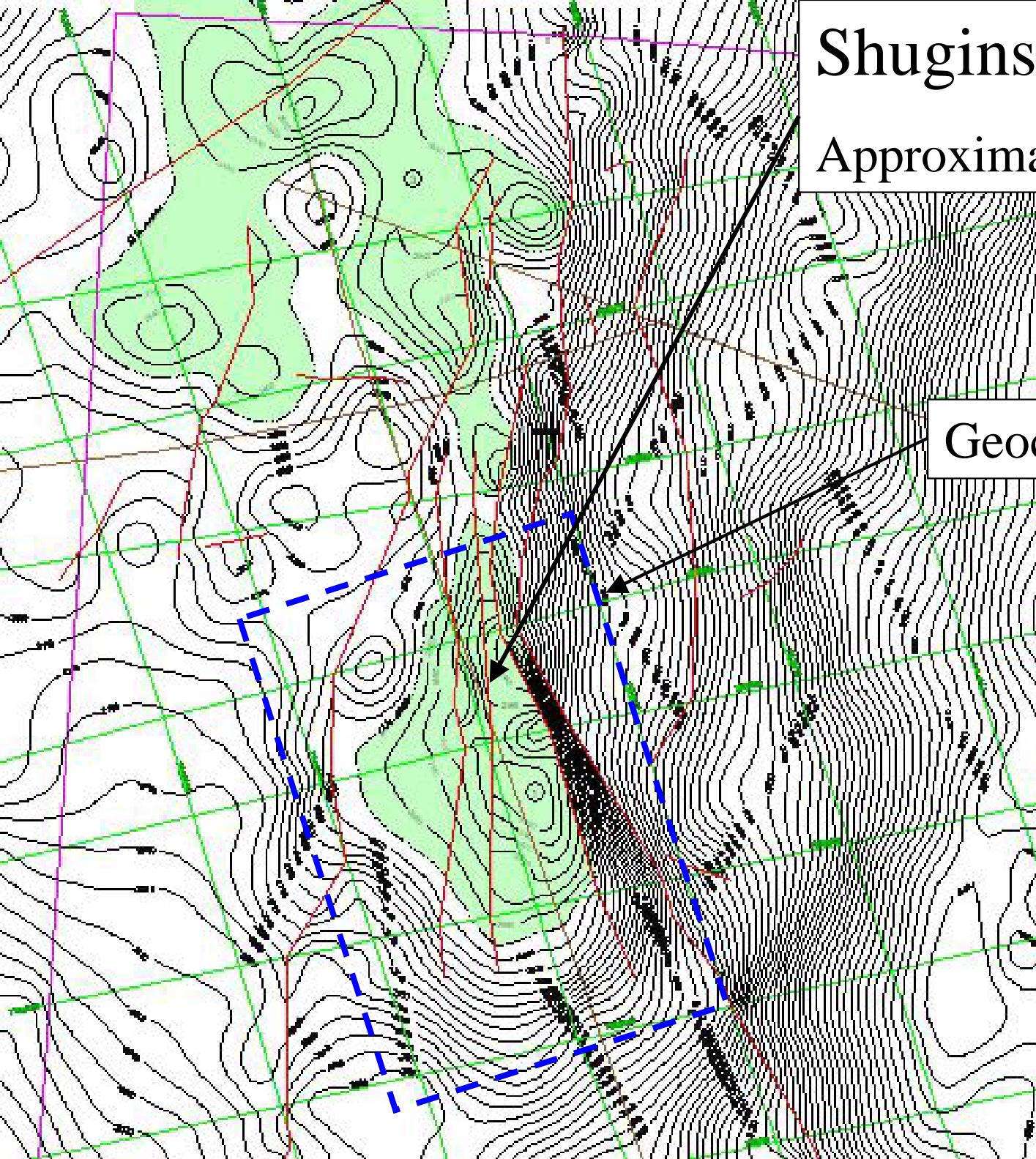
OPERATION LOCATION

Shuginskaya Survey Area

Shuginskaya Structure 14

Approximate areal extent 60 km²

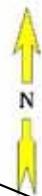
Geochemical Survey Area



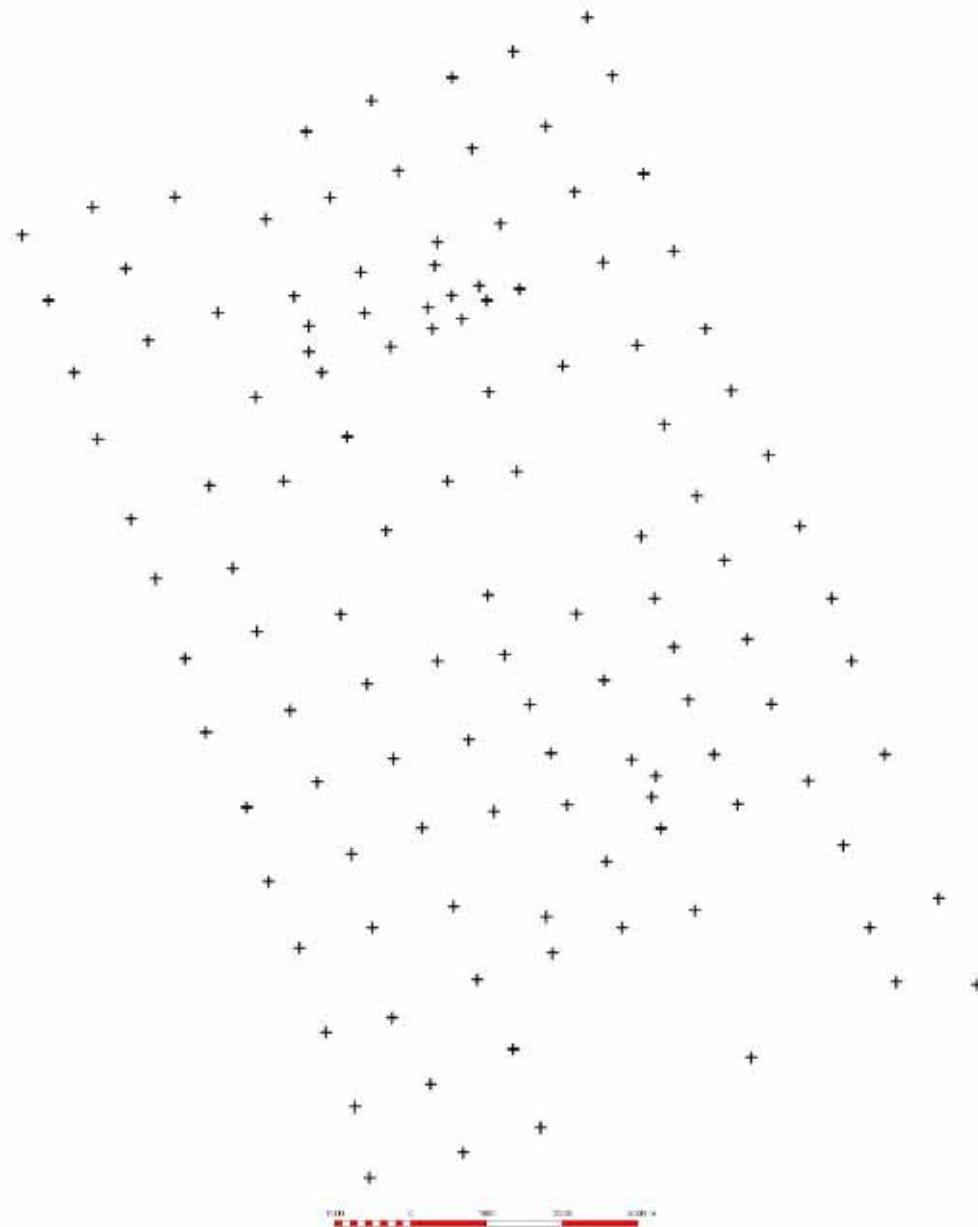
Survey Design

1 kilometer Spacing

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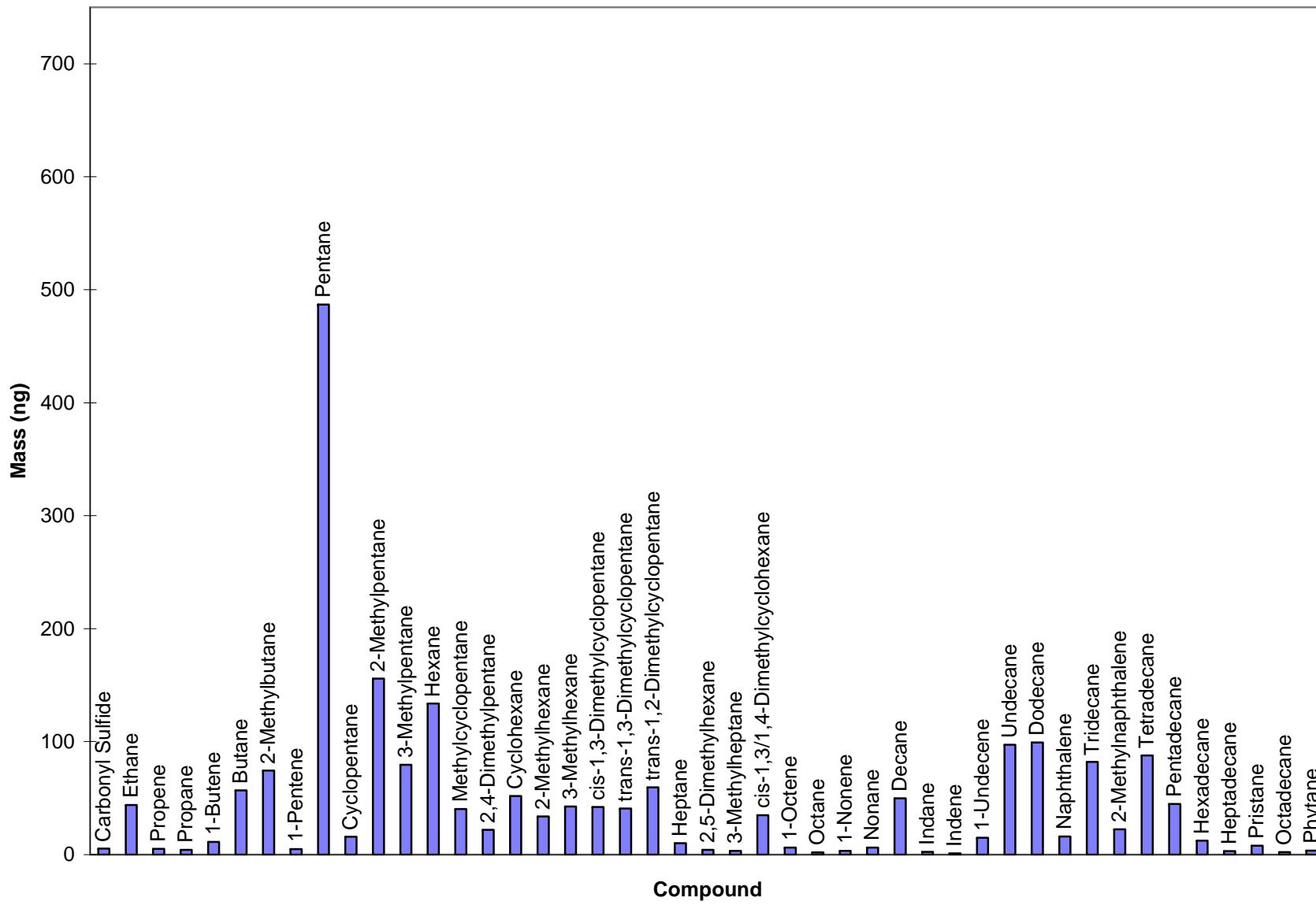


Background Model

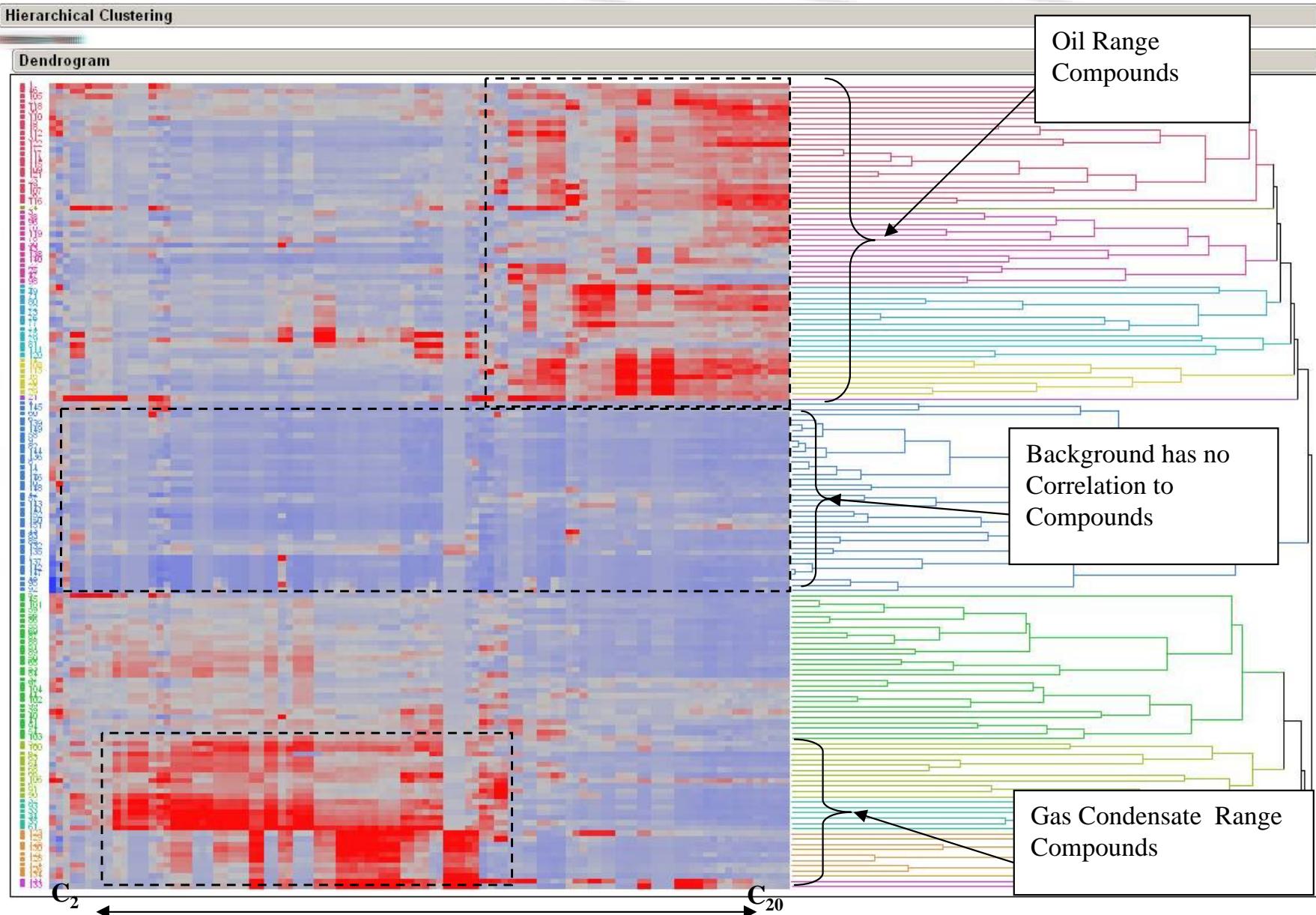


Gas Condensate
Model Located 30
Kilometers South of
Survey Area

Gas Condensate Well Signature



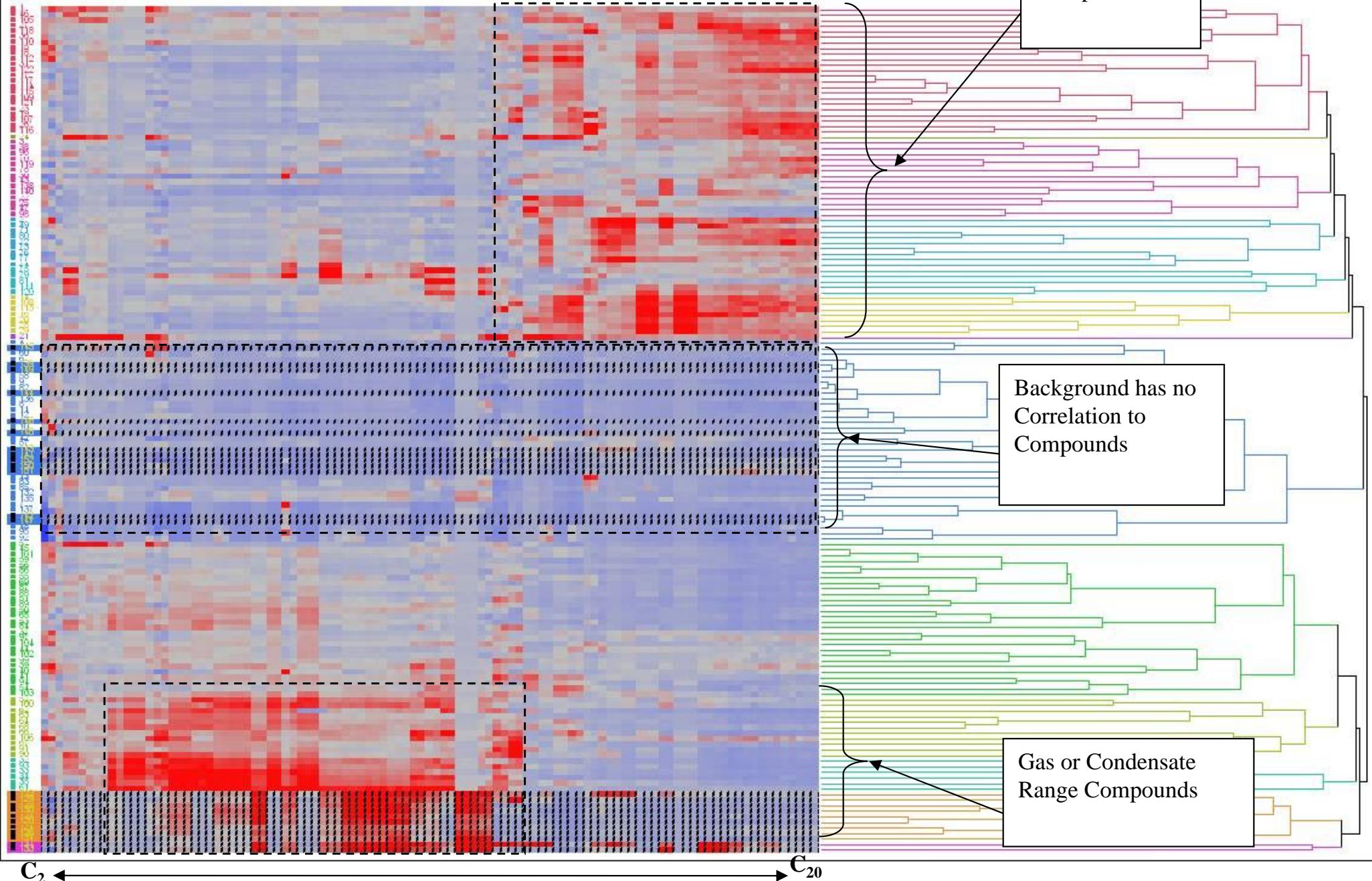
Hierarchical Cluster Analysis



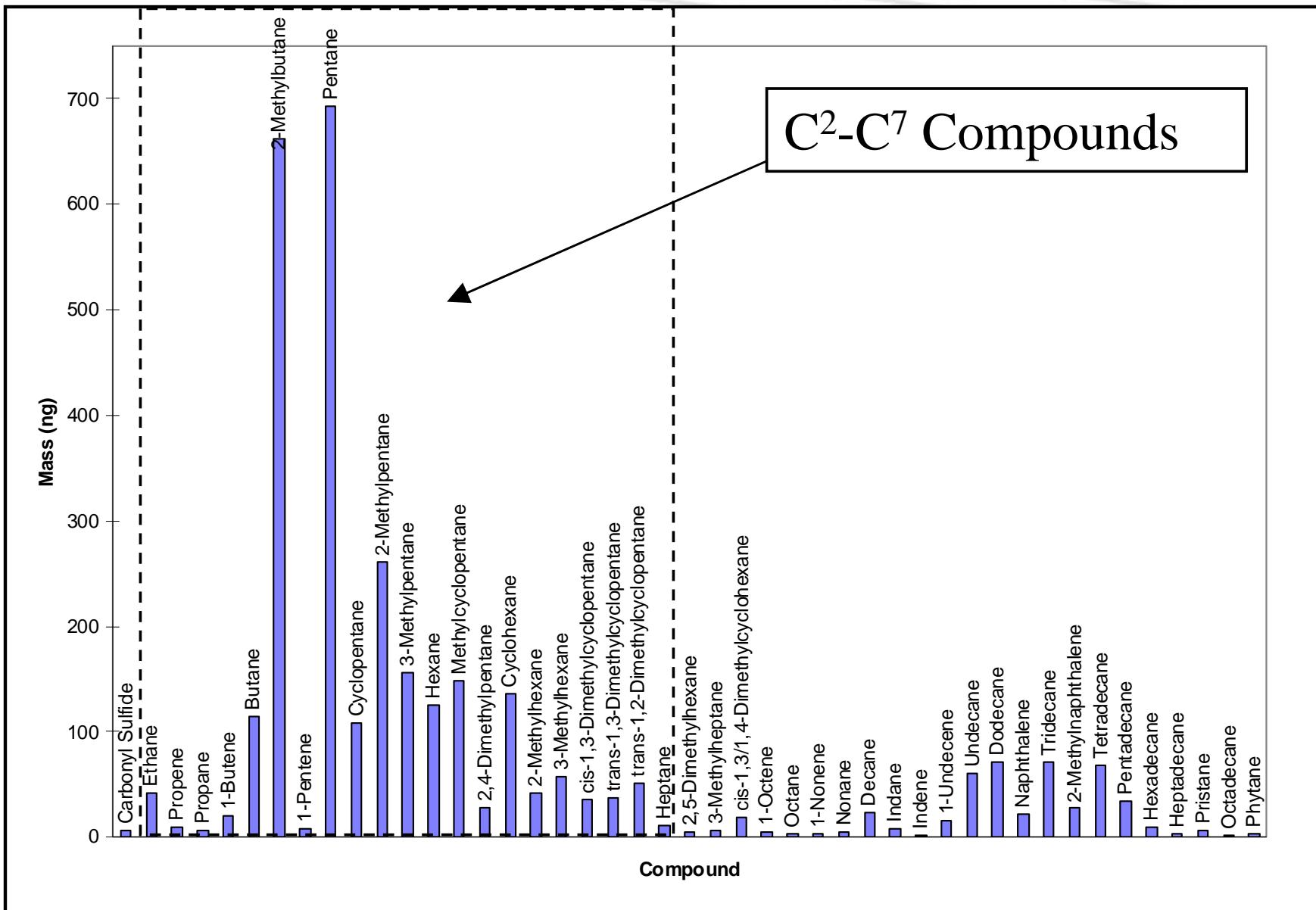
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Hierarchical Clustering

Dendrogram

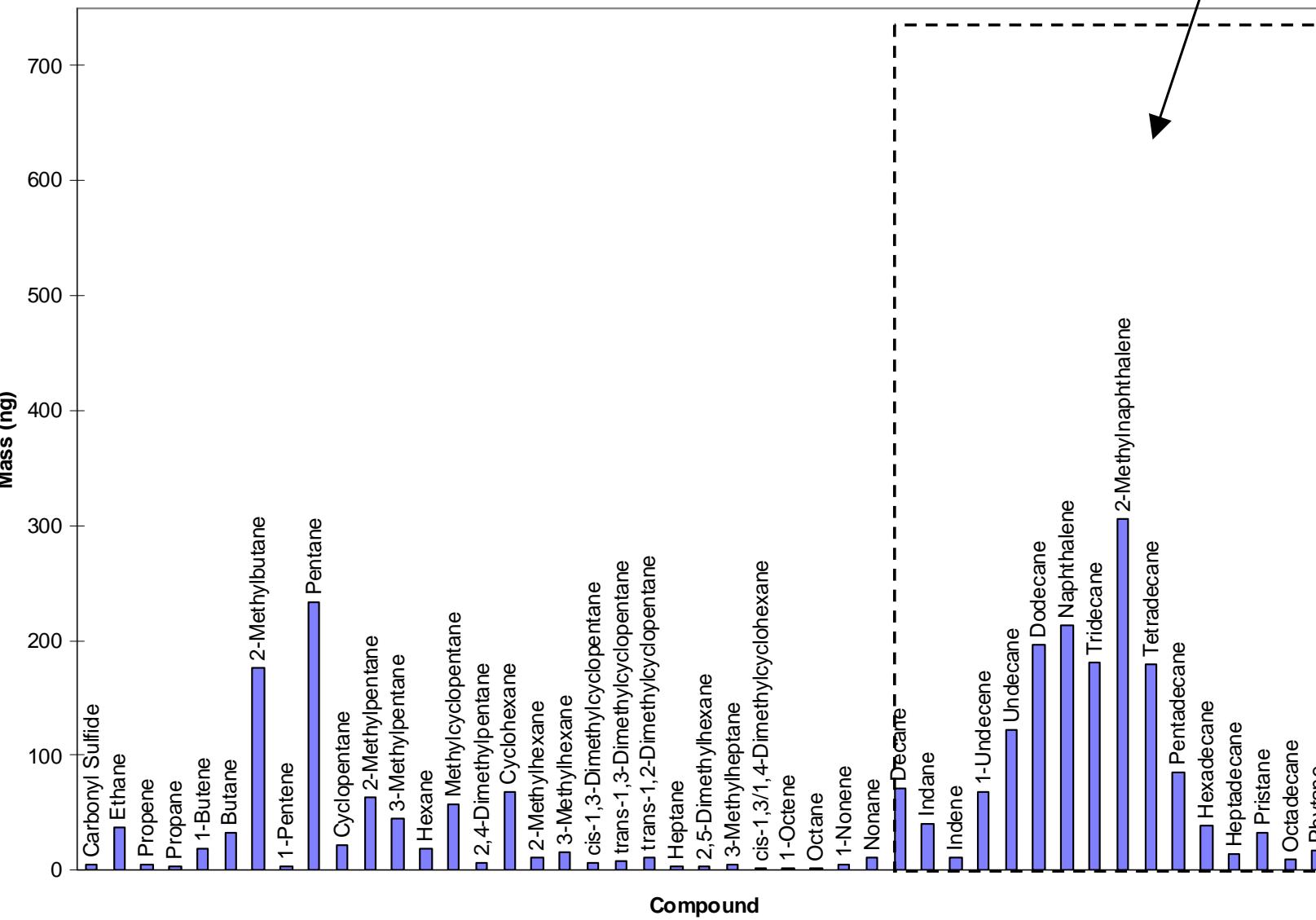


Gas Condensate Signature from HCA

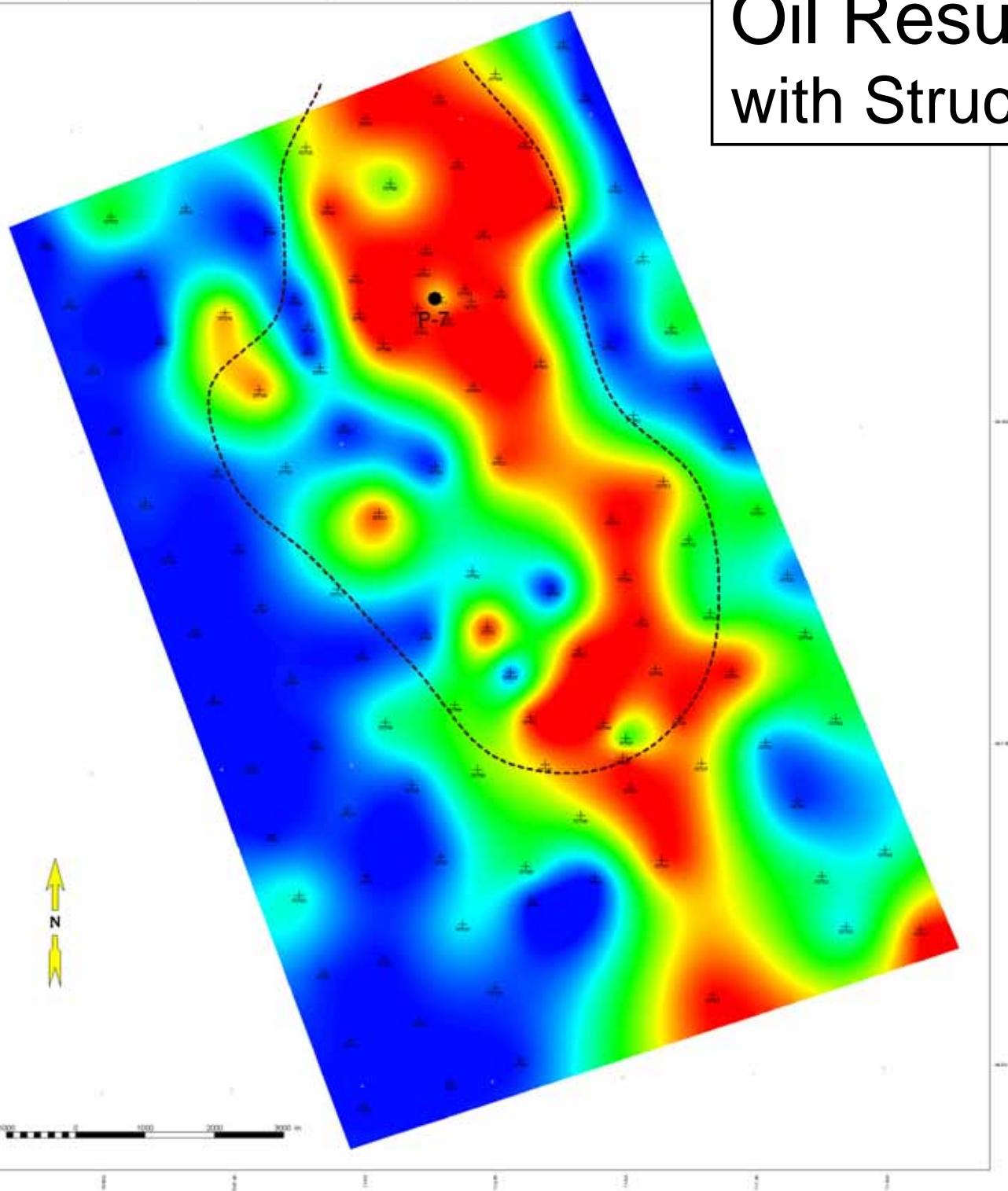


Oil Signature from HCA

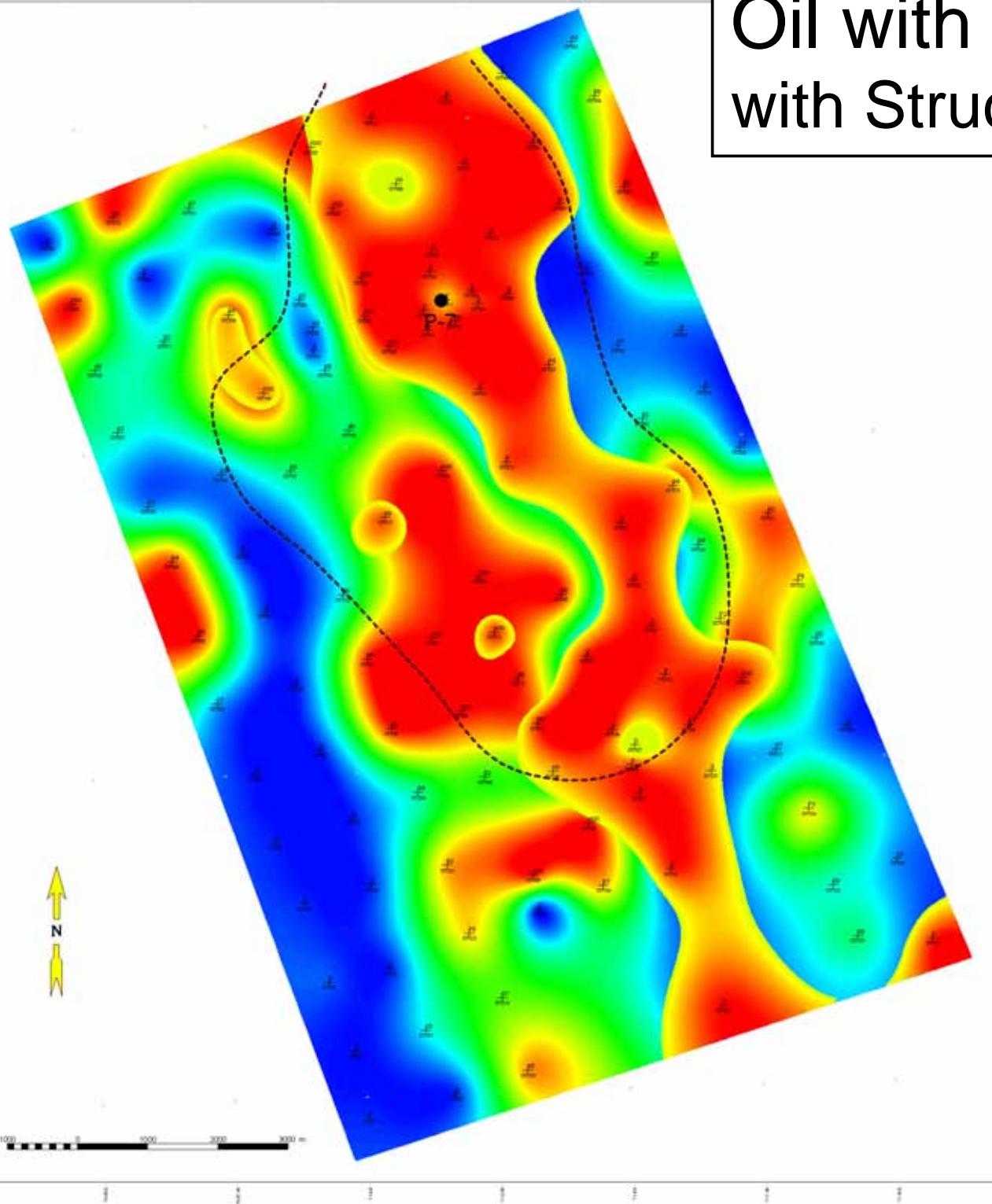
C¹⁰-C²⁰ Compounds



Oil Result with Structure 14 outline

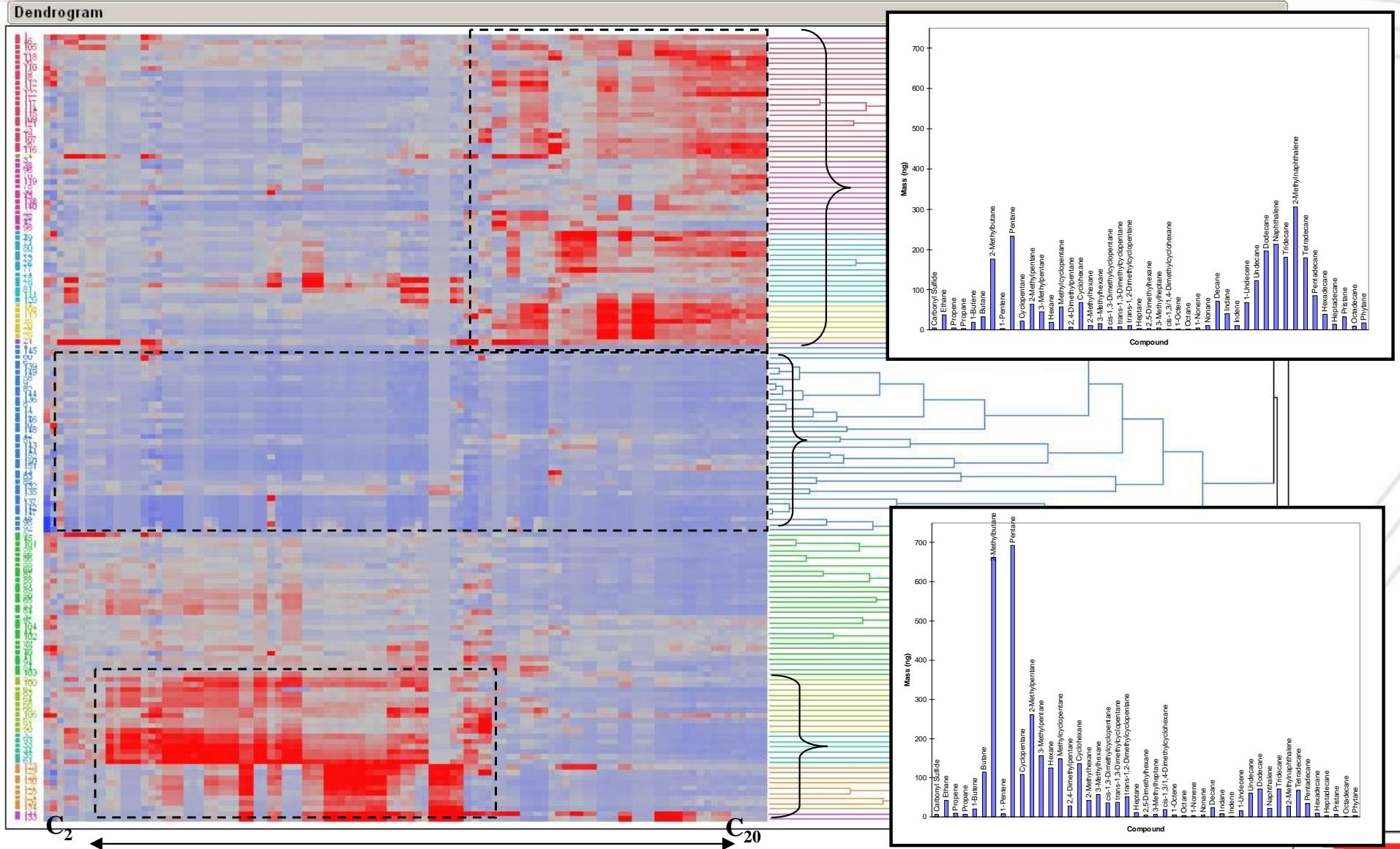


Oil with Gas Results with Structure 14 outline



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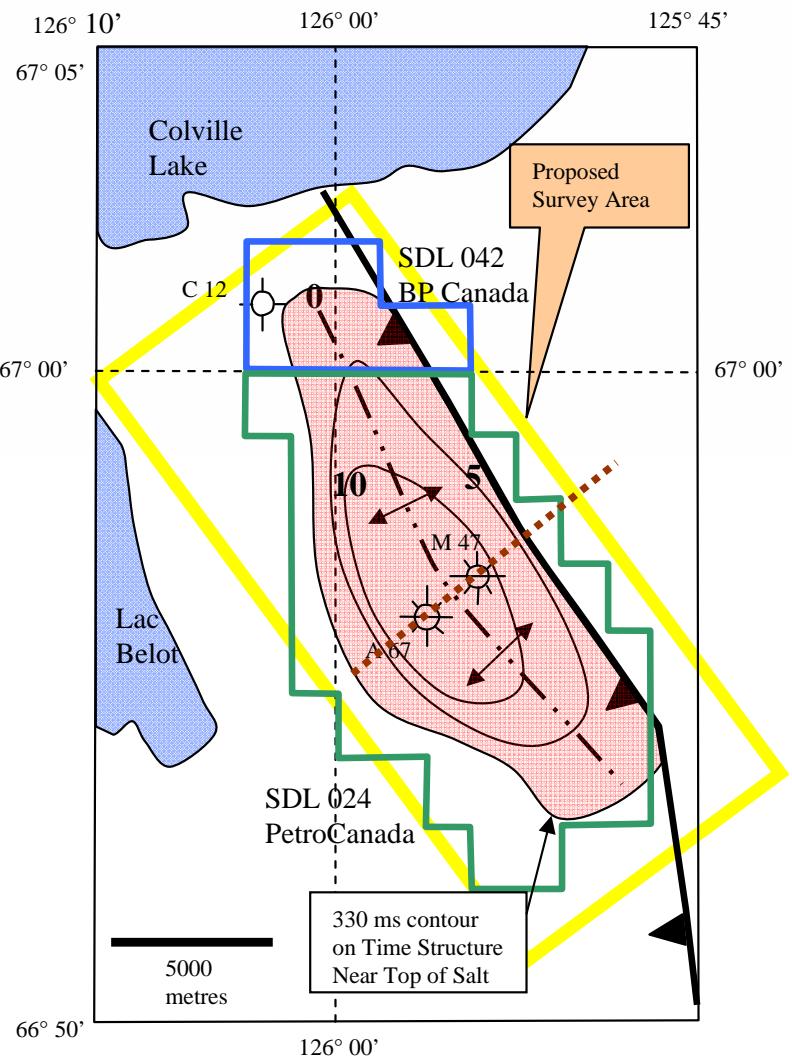
Hierarchical Clustering



Example from Northwest Territories, Canada

Geologic Setting

- Location – Colville Hills
- Tweed Lake Anticline
- Target – Cambrian Mount Clark Sandstone overlain by 400 meter thick Saline River evaporate sequence
- Depth – 1,500 meters



Cambrian Mount Clark Net Pay (metres)
NWT Open Report 2004-006; E.P.
Janicki

Tweed Lake

Northwest Territories, Canada

March, 2005

Marketable Reserves

500 BCF

Survey Outline

394 Km²

Size: Grid
Model (3 Wells)

595 Modules
45 Modules

TOTAL

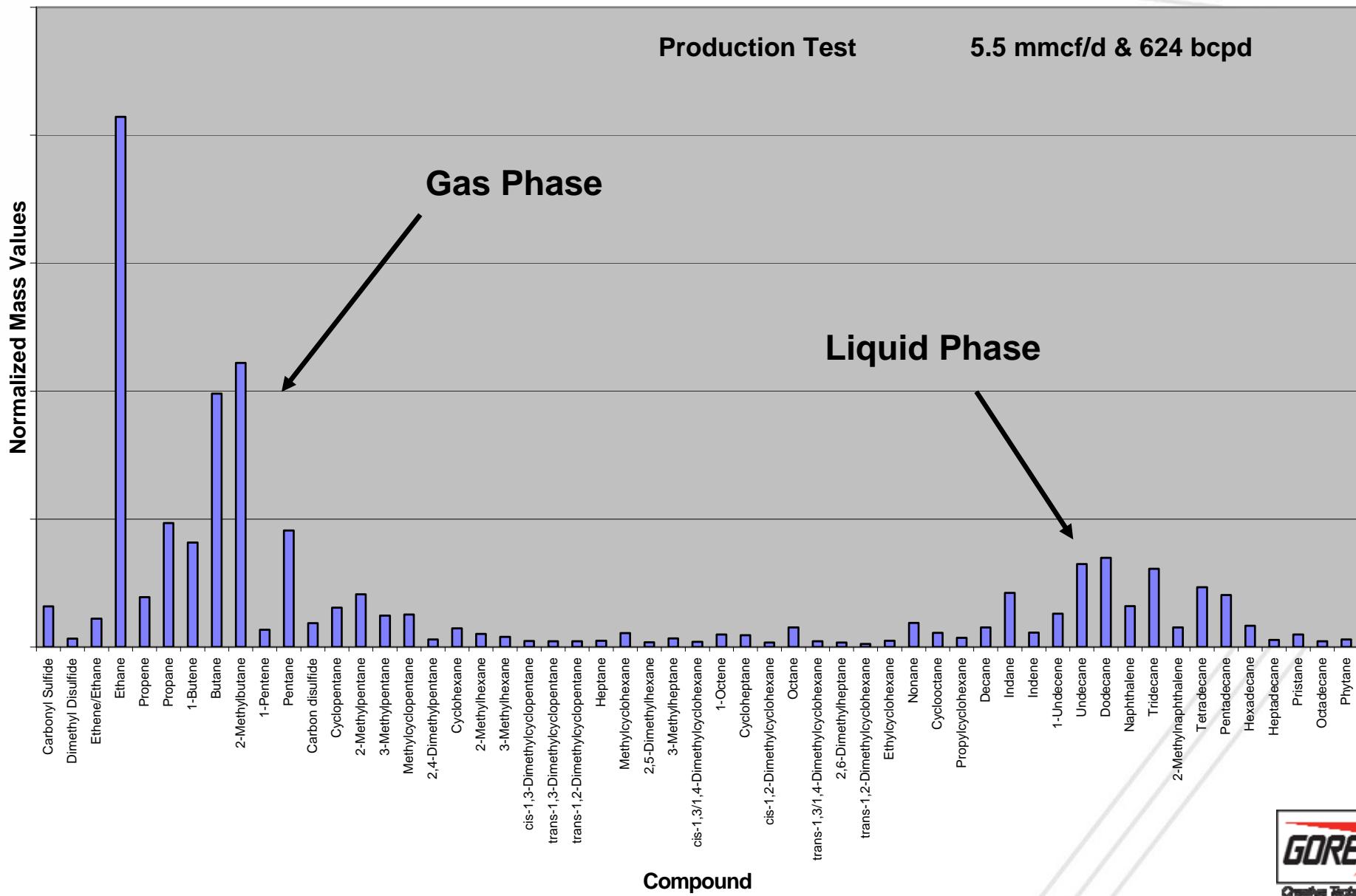
640 Modules

Grid:

500 / 500 meters

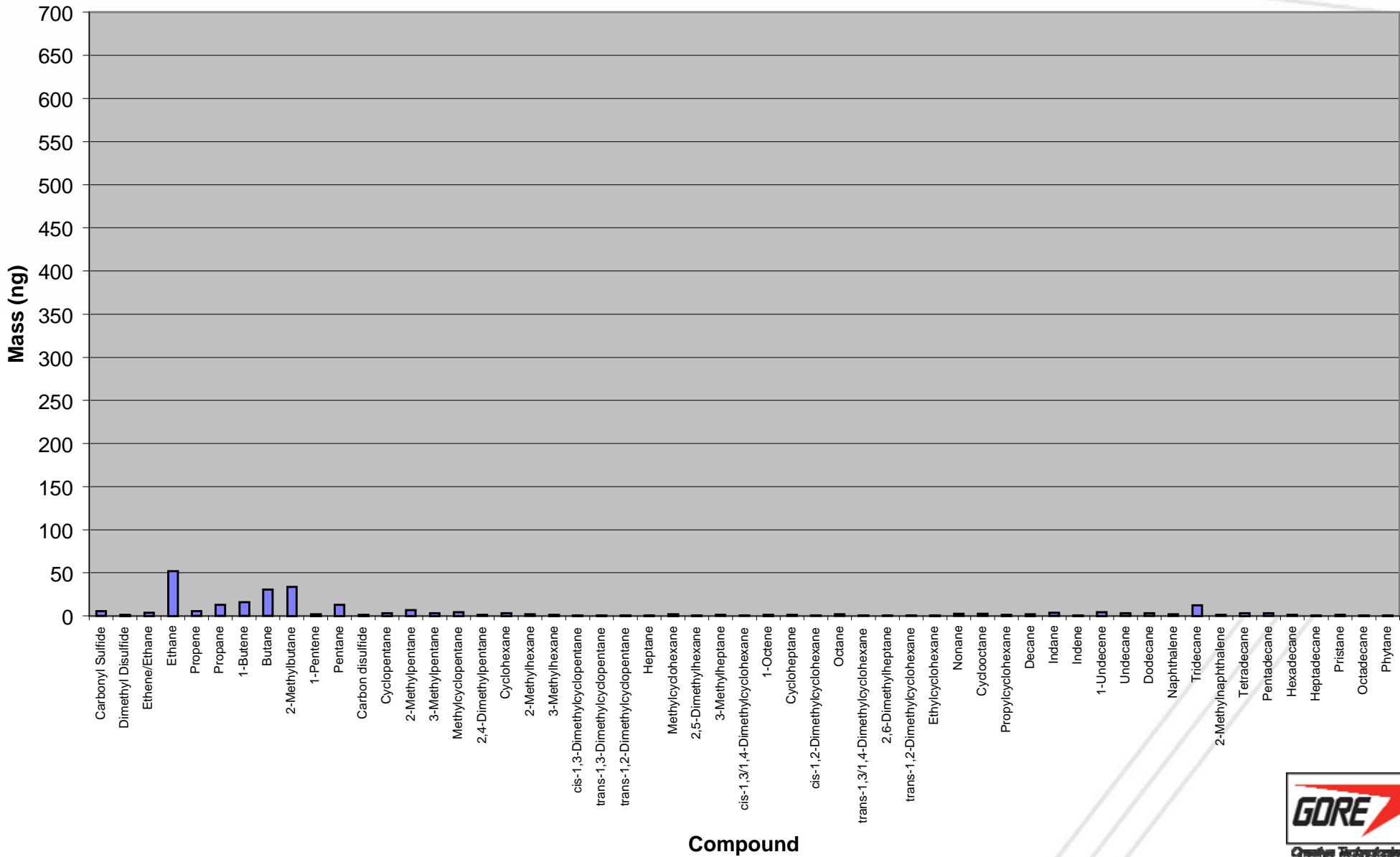
Tweed Lake M47 Gas/Condensate Well

Tweed Lake M47 Signature



Dry Well Signature

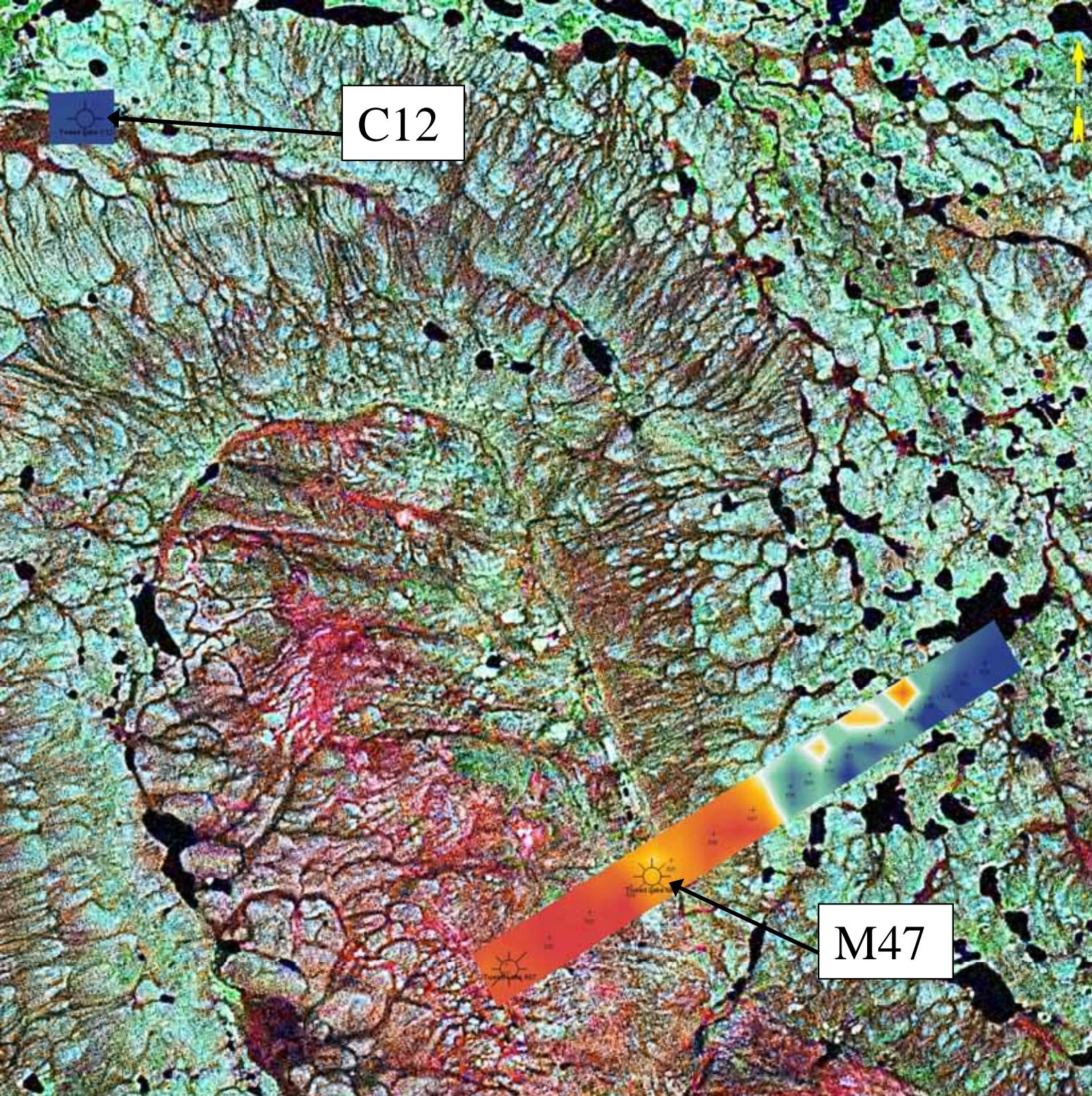
Dry Well Signature

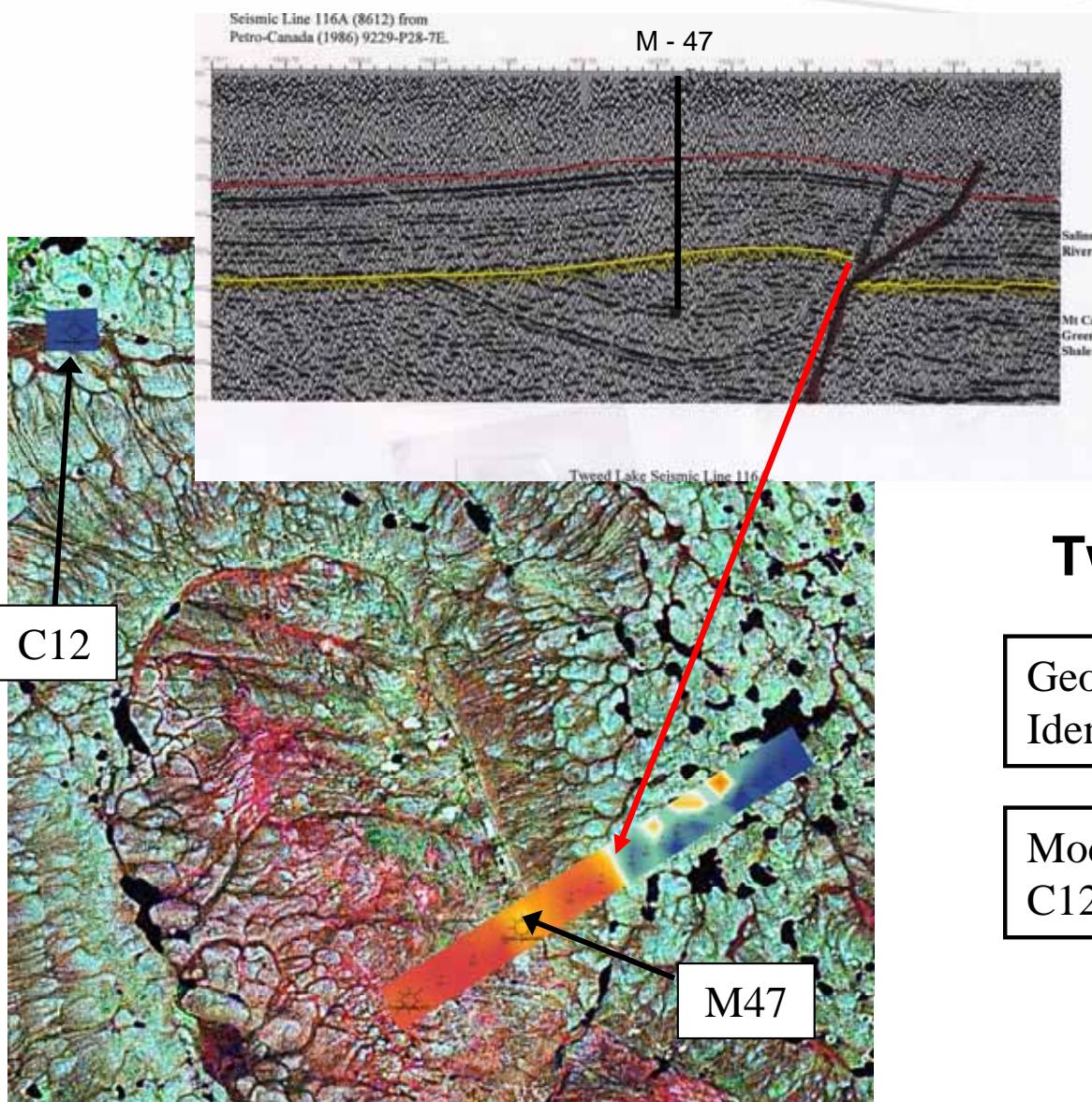


Tweed Lake Result

Geochemical
Feature
Identified at
Tweed Lake

Model of M47
(gas) versus
C12 Dry Well



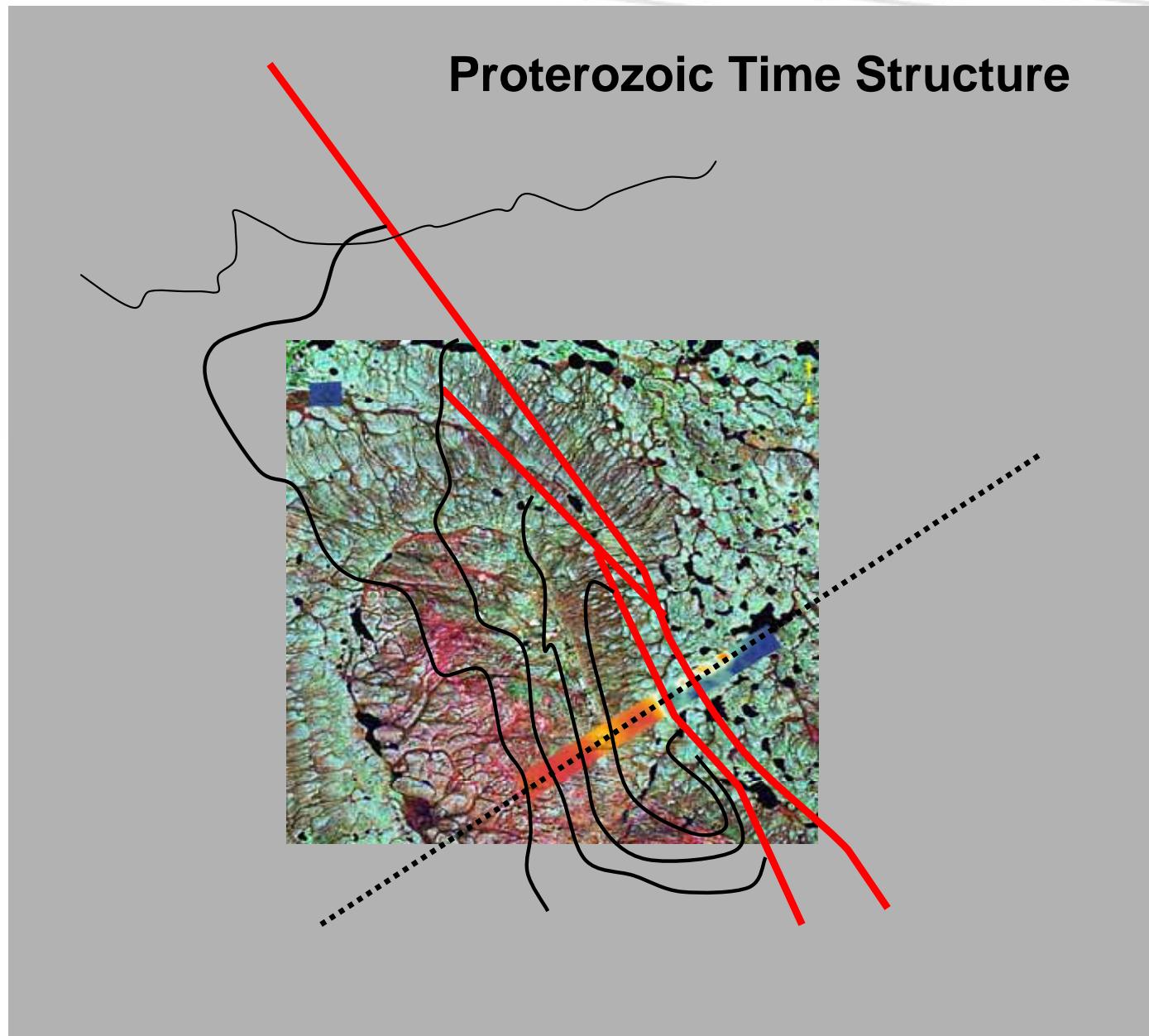


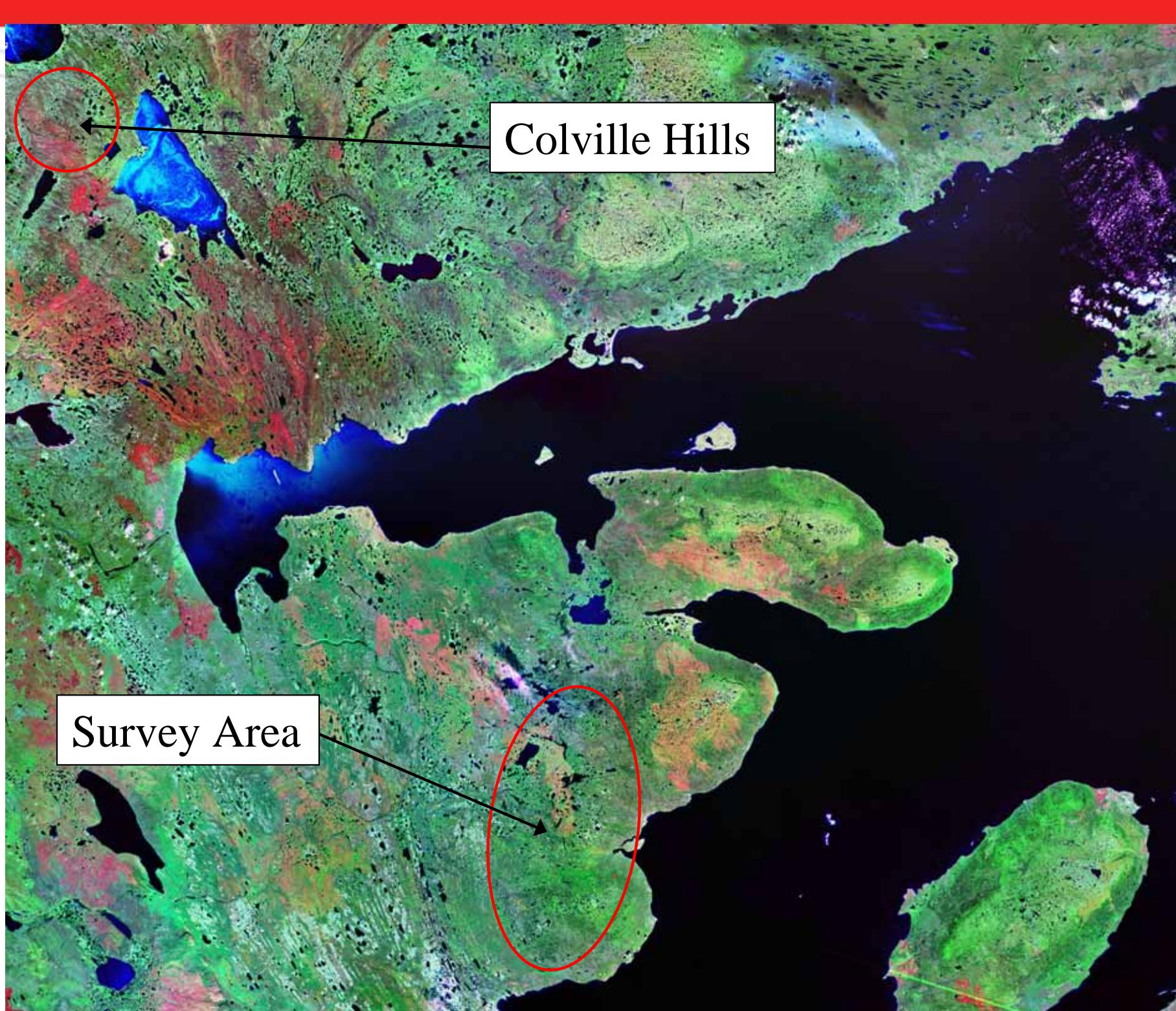
Tweed Lake - 2007

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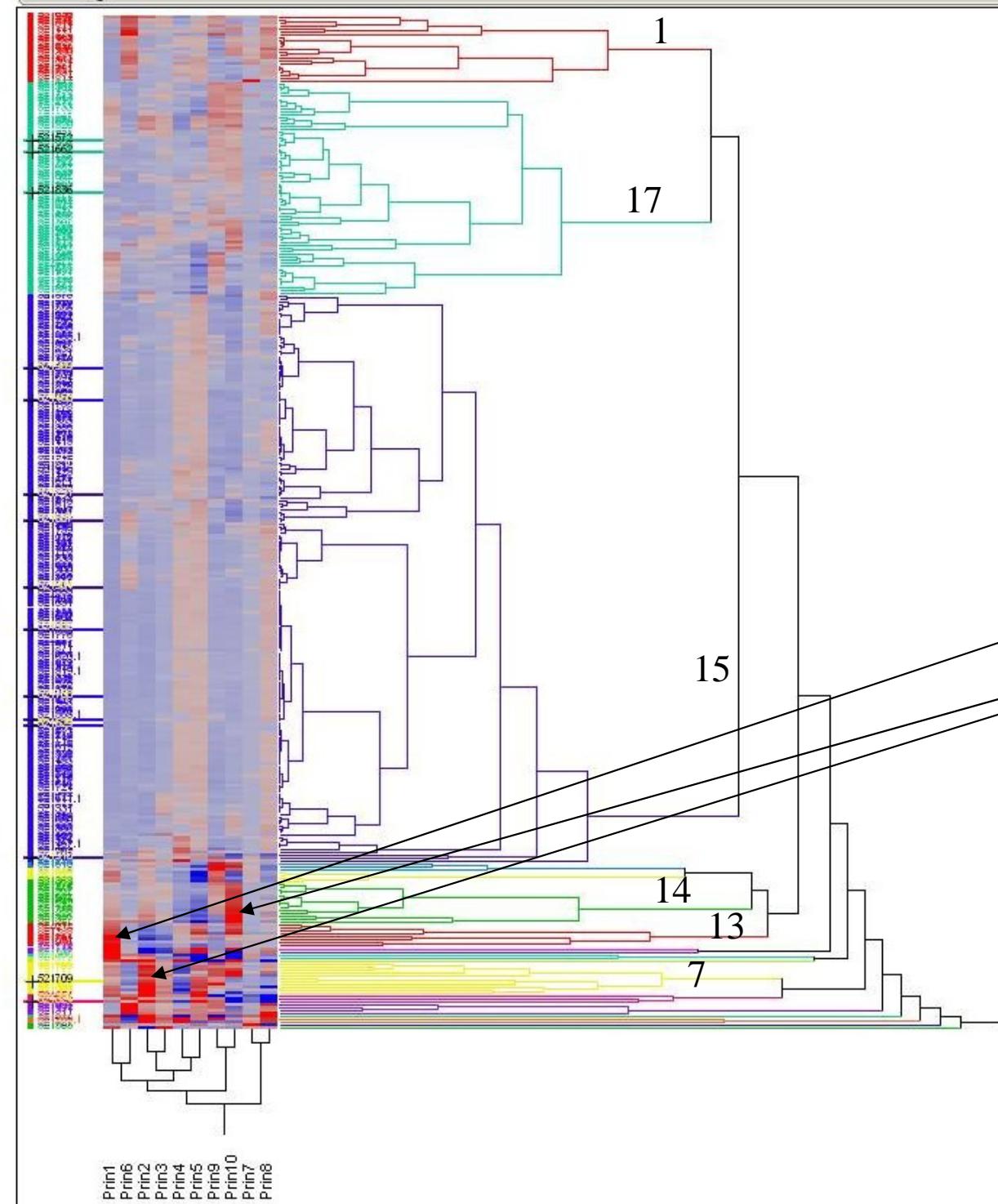
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C12 Dry Well

Tweed Lake, Northwest Territories Canada





Dendrogram

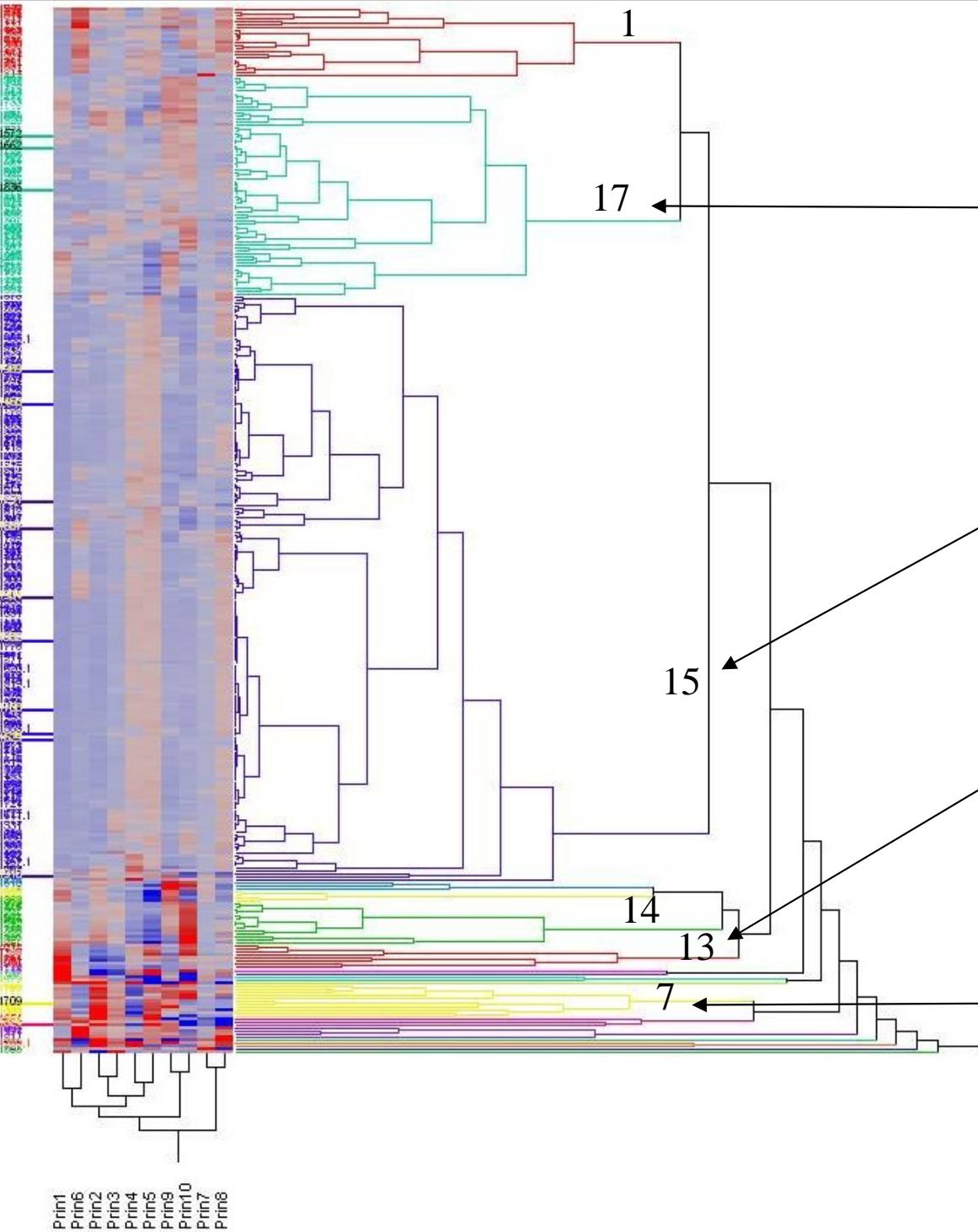


Hierarchical Cluster

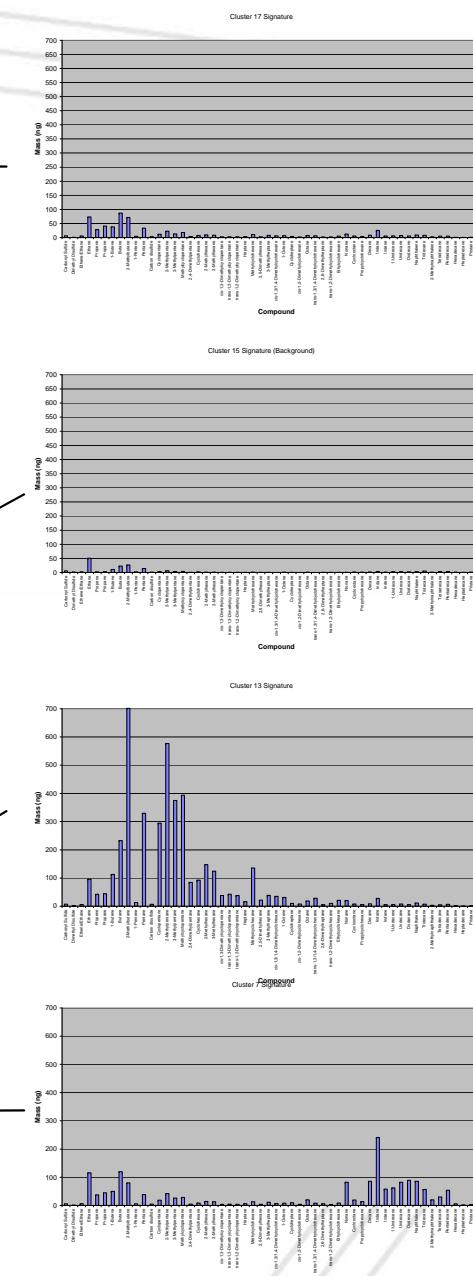
Clusters 15 and 17
Appear Unremarkable
(Background)

Principle Components
Correlated to Clusters

Dendrogram



Hierarchical Cluster



Conclusions

- These examples show that a surface geochemical technology can determine whether a structure is charged with hydrocarbons before drilling
- Hydrocarbon phase can be identified prior to drilling thereby lowering your risk in areas where only an oil discovery would be desirable or economical