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**Biostratigraphy and Sedimentary Environment of The Asmari  
Formation in Aghajari Well Number 30, Khuzestan Area**

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### **Abstract**

The Asmari Formation has a thickness of 385m in the Aghajari well#30. This formation was studied from biostratigraphy and sedimentary environment point of view. Study of benthic foraminifera led to recognition of 22 genera and 17 species. Based on the distribution of foraminifera, three assemblage zones were identified. The late Oligocene- Early Miocene (Aquitanian-Burdigalian ) is suggested for the Asmari Formation at the study area.

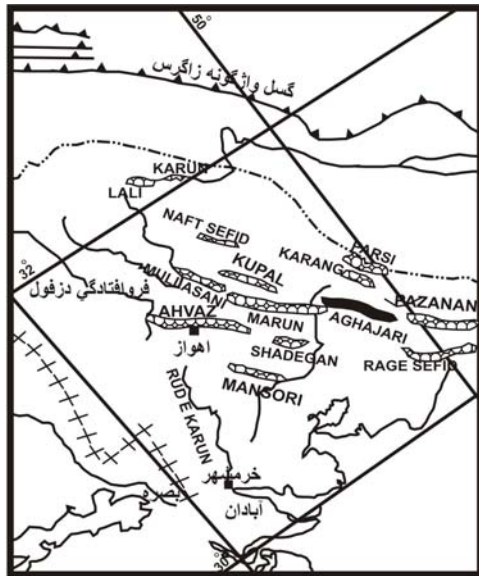
Also, 7 carbonate microfacies and 1 siliclastic microfacies were identified within the Asmari Formation. These microfacies belong to the beach, lagoon, barrier and shallow open marine environments. As a result a hemoclinal ramp is suggested for deposition of the Asmari Formation.

**Keywords:** Biostratigraphy, Asmari Formation, Aghajari well, Oligocene- Miocene, Benthic foraminifera





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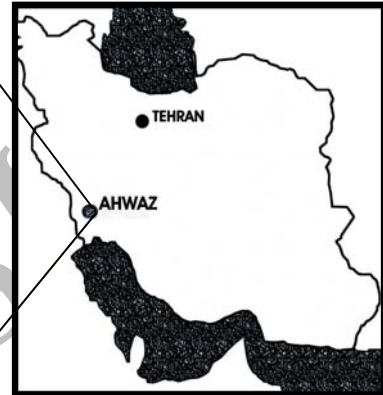
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Eulepidina- Nephrolepidina- Nummulites assemblage zone ( lower Asmari, Oligocene). Miogypsinoides-

Archaias-Valvulinid sp.1 assemblage zone ( middle Asmari, Aquitanian).

Borelis melo group-Meandropsina iranica assemblage zone (upper Asmari, Burdigalian).

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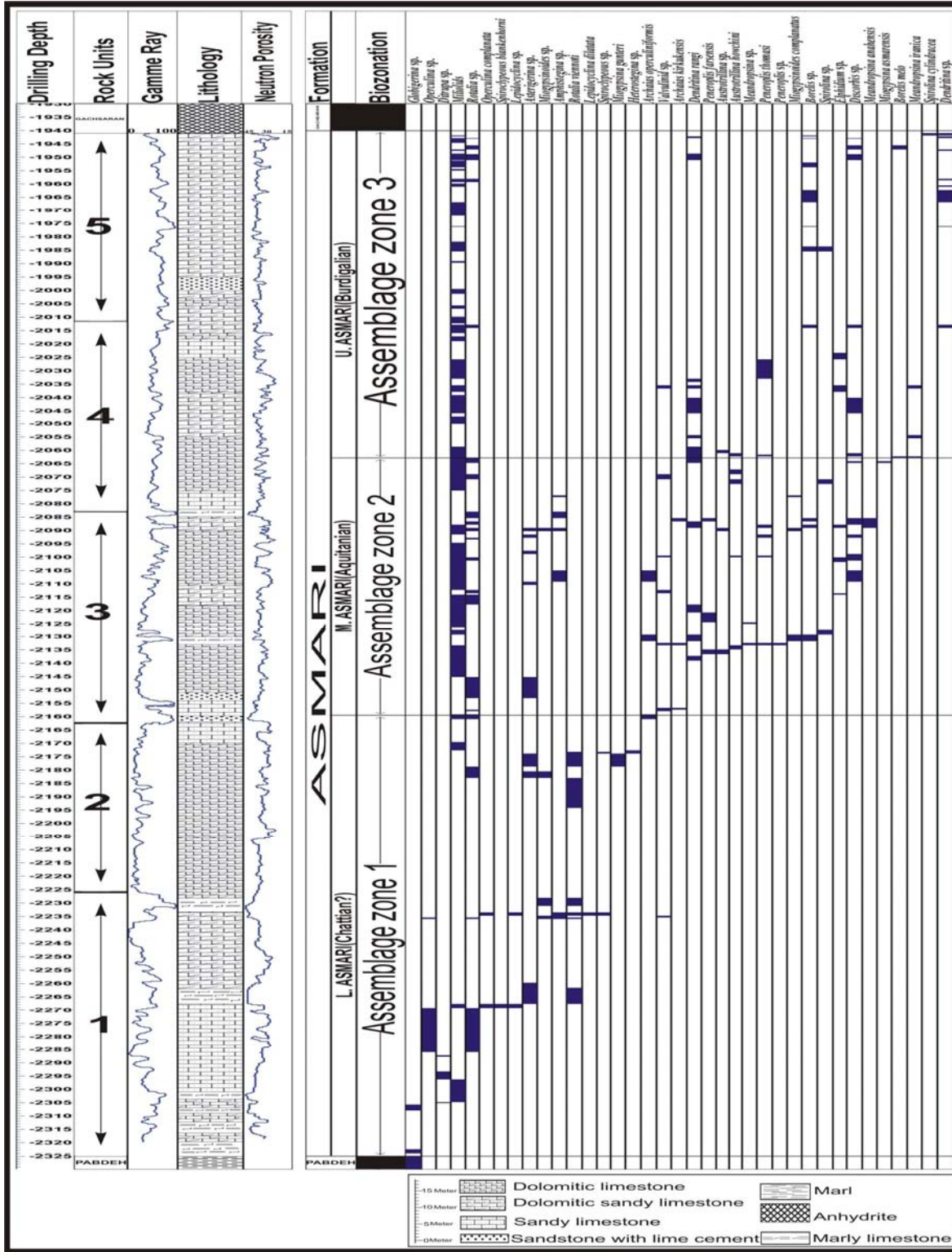
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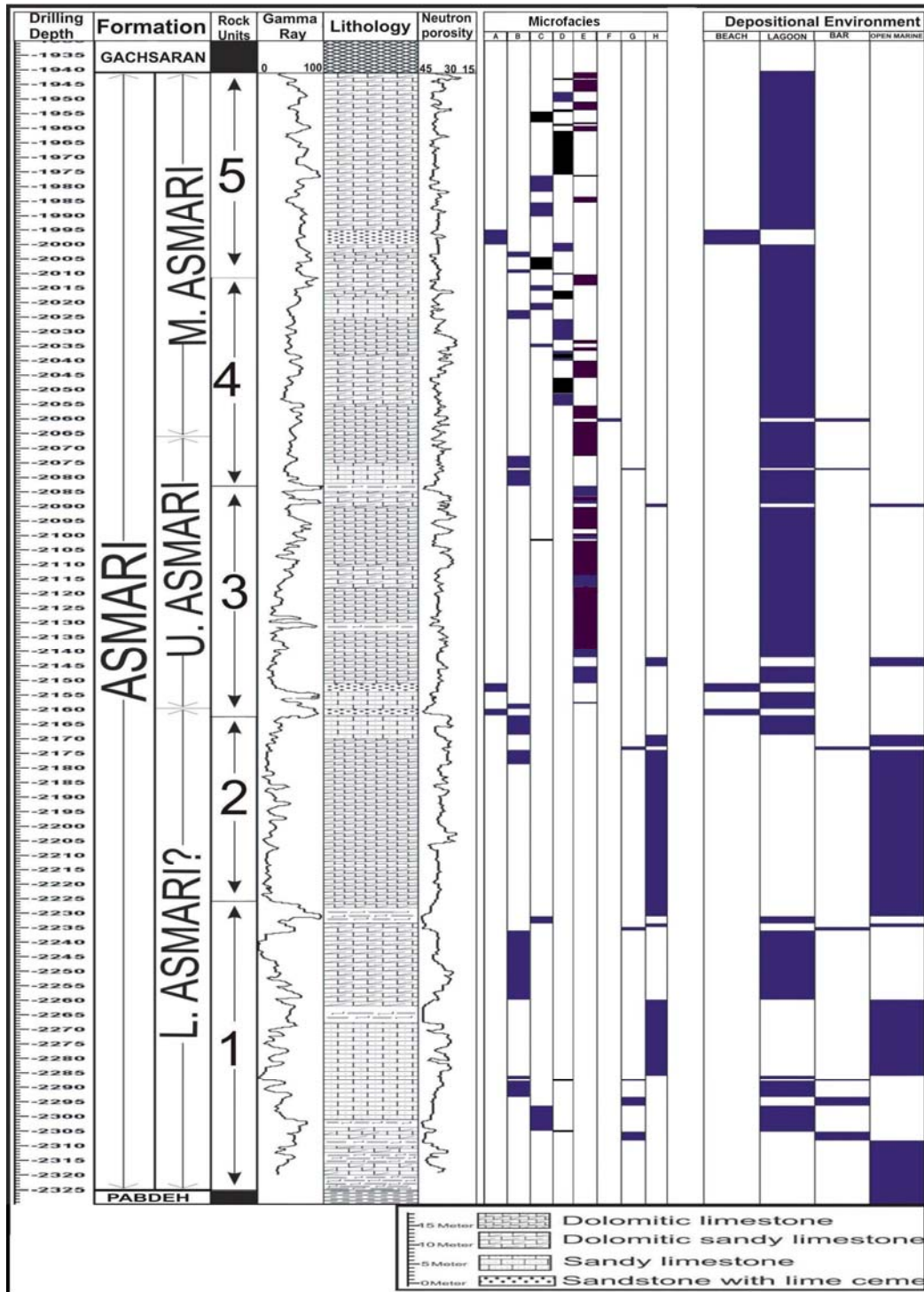
*Lepidocyclina* sp., *Eulepidina* sp., *Ditrupa* sp.,  
*Asterigerina* sp., *Spiroclypeous blankenhorni*  
*complanata*, *Rotalia* sp., *Operculina* sp., *Operculina*  
*Rotalia viennoti*, *miliolids*

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*Archaias kirkukensis*, *Archaias operculiniformis*,  
*Elphidium* sp., *Miogypsina gunteri*, *Miogypsina*  
*asmariensis*, *Miogipsinoides* sp., *Miogipsinoides*  
*complanatus*, *Peneroplise* cf. *farsensis*  
*Asterigerina rotula*, *Dendritina rangi*, *Rotalia viennoti*,  
*Peneroplis farsensis*,  
*Peneropolis* sp., *Peneropolis thomasi*, *Valvulinid* sp.,  
*Heterostegina* sp., *Discorbis* sp.,  
*Austrotrillina howchini*, *Austrotrillina* sp., *Spiroclypeous*  
sp., *Spirolina* sp., *Rotalia* sp.

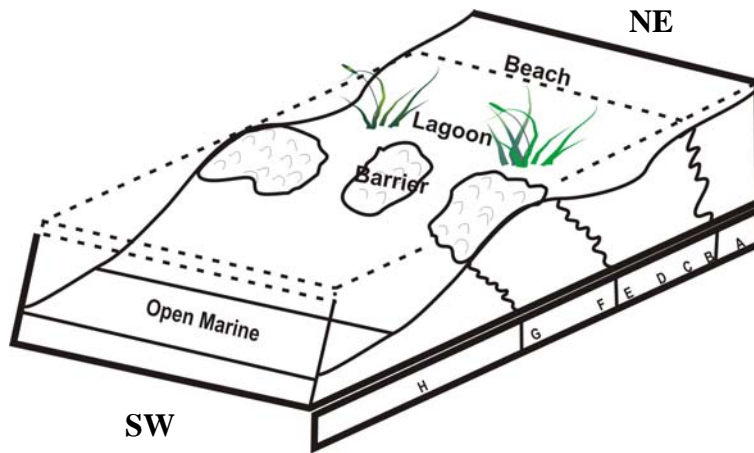
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*Borelis* sp., *Meandropsina anahensis*, *Spirolina* sp.,  
*Dendritina* sp., *Borelis melo melo*, *Meandropsina*  
*iranica*, *Valvulinid* sp., *Dendritina rangi*, *Peneroplis*  
*thomasi*, *Elphidium* sp., *Discorbis* sp.,







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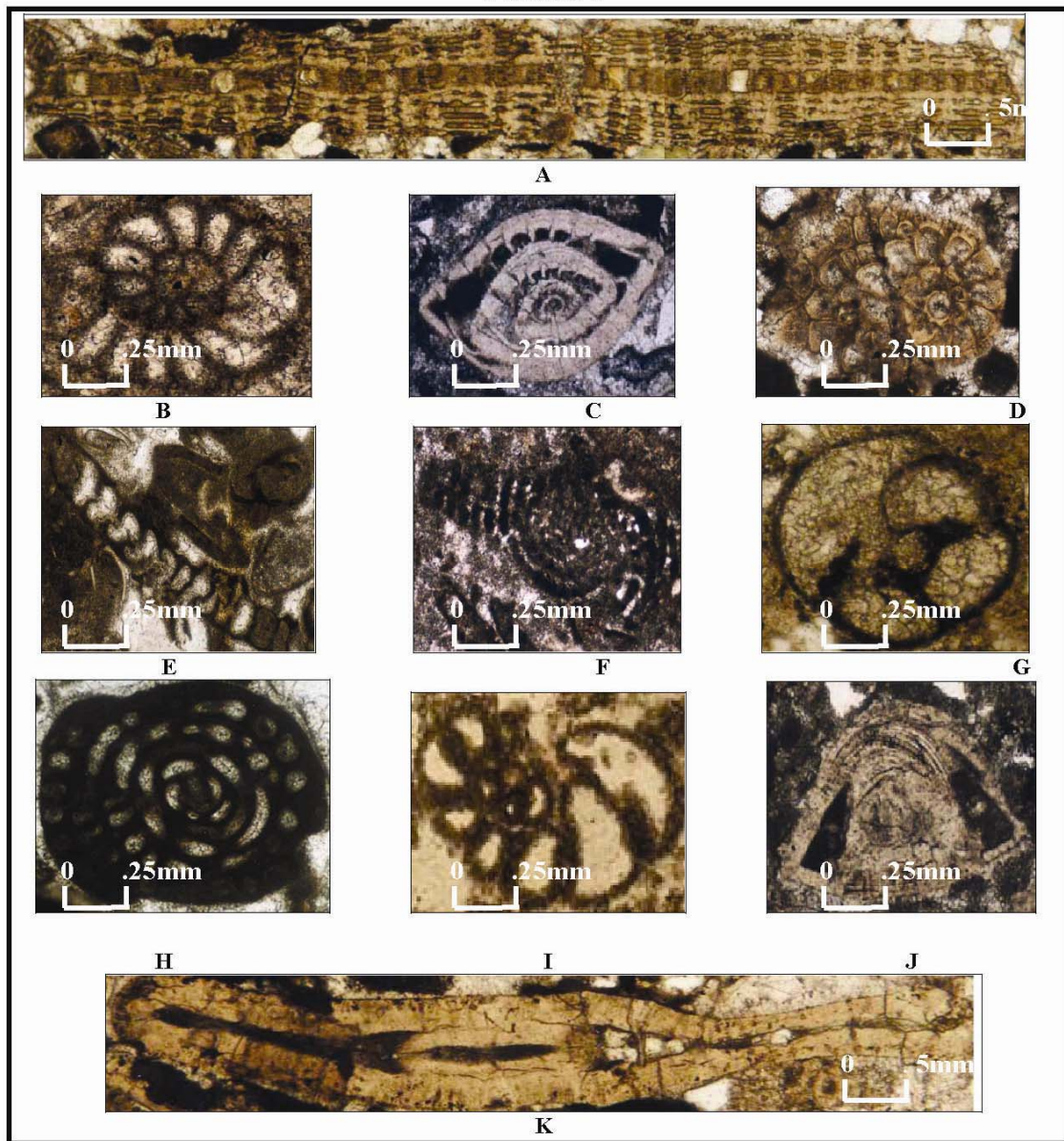
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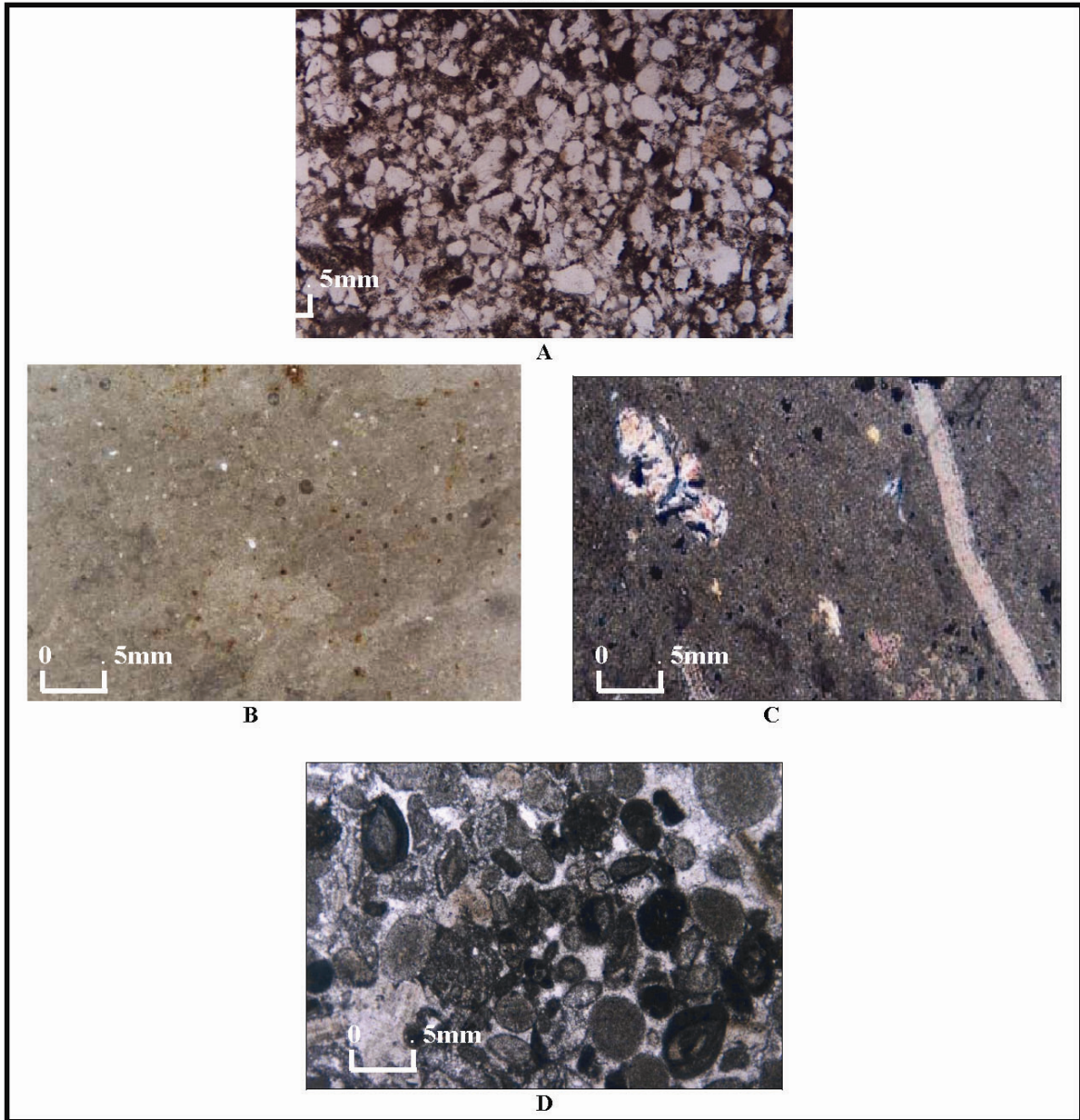
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PLATE 1



- A:** *Eulepidina* cf. *dilatata* (Lemoine and Duville) 1904 x25  
**B:** *Peneroplise* cf. *farsensis* x40  
**C:** *Asterigerina* sp. x40  
**D:** *Miogypsina gunteri* Adams 1966 x40  
**E:** *Meandropsina iranica* Henson 1950 x40  
**F:** *Archaias kirkukensis* Henson 1950 x40  
**G:** *Valvulinid* sp. x40  
**H:** *Borlis melo* (Fichtel & Moll) *curdica* (Richel) 1937 x40  
**I:** *Dendritina* sp. x40  
**J:** *Amphistegina* sp. x40  
**K:** *Operculina complanata* DeFrance 1822 x25

PLATE 2



(sample:1998)

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(sample: 1992)

:B

(sample: 1980)

:C

(sample: 2032)

:D

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(Corda and Brandano, 2003)

.(PLATE3,A)

**F**

(Geel, 2000)

(Wilson,1975)

.(PLATE2,D)

**E**

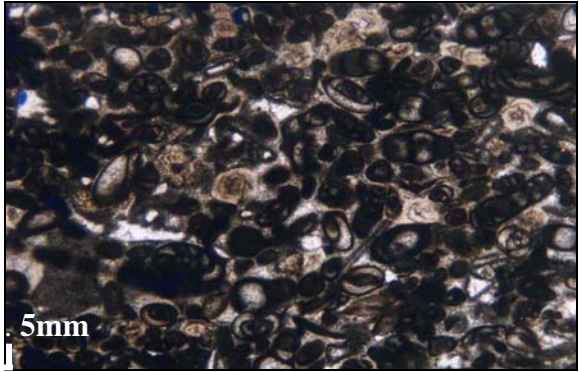
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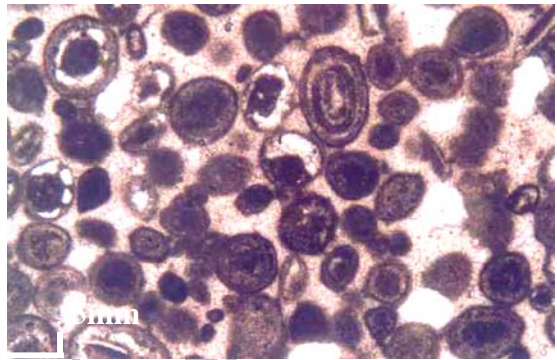
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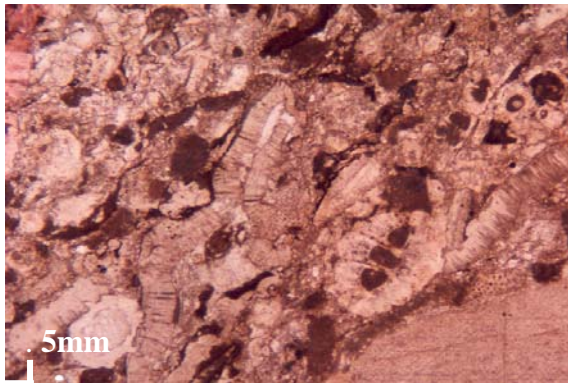
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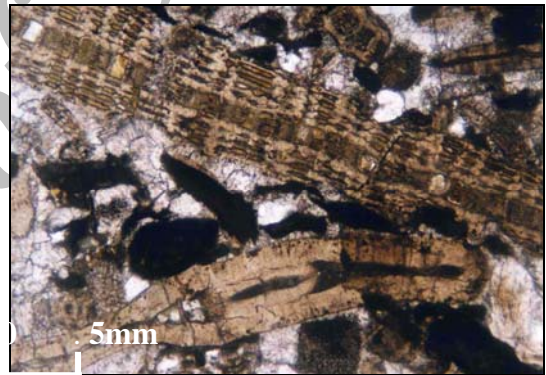
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(sample: 2061) :B  
(sample: 2306) :C  
(sample: 2200) :D  
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(Pomar, 2001) (Pedley, 1996)

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(Flugel,2004) (Wilson,1975)  
(Geel, 2000) (Burchet and Wright, 1992)

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