

AV OOIP Utilizing GEOCHEM [ECS] Data, Triple Combo Data Only, and Pyrolysis S1 Data, Permian Wolfcamp "A" and "B" Shales, Midland Basin, Texas*

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Abstract

As a result of a very complete data set including Pyrolysis S1 data over an interval of 8035ft to 8497ft at 5ft intervals on a Wolfcamp well in the Midland Basin of Texas enabled the author an opportunity to compare different methods of calculating Oil in Place. The first OOIPstb calculation was done using only resistivity (AIT90), bulk density (ρ_b), and neutron porosity (ϕ_{nls}) data with TOC determined by the Schmoker Equation. The volume of clay (V_{cl}), volume of quartz (V_{qtz}), and total porosity (ϕ_{total}) were determined by the Simultaneous Equation Method developed by Rick Lewis with Schlumberger. Effective porosity (ϕ_e) was calculated as $\phi_e = \phi_{total} - (V_{cl} * \phi_{clay})$. Using a permeability cut-off of $k_a > 100nD$ { $k_a = [(0.0108 * \phi_{oil}) - 0.000256] * 10^6$ } the OOIPstb/160 acres over for the Wolfcamp "A" is 3.4mmbo and 7.5mmbo [no cutoff]. The Wolfcamp "B" is 2.7mmbo [$k_a > 100nD$] and 10.8mmbo [no cutoff].

The next OOIPstb calculation was done using AIT90, ρ_b , and ϕ_{nls} data along with GEOCHEM [ECS] data. TOC was determined by the Schmoker Equation. The ϕ_{total} was determined with a variable matrix analysis using V_{qtz} , $V_{calcite}$, $V_{kerogen}$, V_{cl} , and V_{pyrite} . Effective porosity (ϕ_e) was calculated as $\phi_e = \phi_{total} - (V_{cl} * \phi_{clay})$. Using a permeability cut-off of $k_a > 100nD$ { $k_a = [(0.0108 * \phi_{oil}) - 0.000256] * 10^6$ } the OOIPstb/160 acres over for the Wolfcamp "A" is 4.6mmbo and 8.4mmbo [no cutoff]. The Wolfcamp "B" is 3.2mmbo [$k_a > 100nD$] and 10.7mmbo [no cutoff].

The third method to determine Oil in Place was based on the method outlined by Downey et al. (2011) using Pyrolysis S1 data. The equation used is listed below:

$$\text{Oil in Place/160acres} = \Sigma[1241.34 * \rho_b * S1 * (1/\rho_{oil}) * 0.5']$$

Using the above OOIP equation with S1 values calculated from the TOClab Pyrolysis S1 Transform illustrated above, the calculated Oil in Place/160acres are Wolfcamp "A" 5.6mmbo [no cutoff] and 2.9mmbo [$\phi_e > 4\%$ cutoff], and for the Wolfcamp "B" 9.6mmbo [no cutoff] and 3.5mmbo [$\phi_e > 4\%$ cutoff].

The general agreement of OOIP_{stb} determined from Triple Combo/GEOCHEM [ECS] and Triple Combo only with Oil in Place from Pyrolysis S1 data suggest that the use of a permeability cut-off of $k_a > 100\text{nD}$ and $\phi_e > 4\%$ may have validity in establishing a net pay cut-offs for the Wolfcamp. In addition, the OOIP_{stb} values calculated with only the Triple Combo data [AIT90, ρ_b , and ϕ_{nls}] gave reasonable values [6.1mmbo] versus [7.8mmbo] using GEOCHEM [ECS] data is important, because a great many wells have only Triple Combo data.

The calculation of OOIP using Pyrolysis S1 data has the advantage in that values for formation water resistivity (R_w), porosity (ϕ), tortuosity factor (a), cementation exponent (m), and saturation exponent (n) are not required.

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**OOIP UTILIZING
GEOCHEM [ECS] DATA
TRIPLE COMBO DATA ONLY
PYROLYSIS S1 DATA
PERMIAN
WOLFCAMP “A” & “B” SHALES
MIDLAND BASIN, TEXAS**

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Pilot Hole

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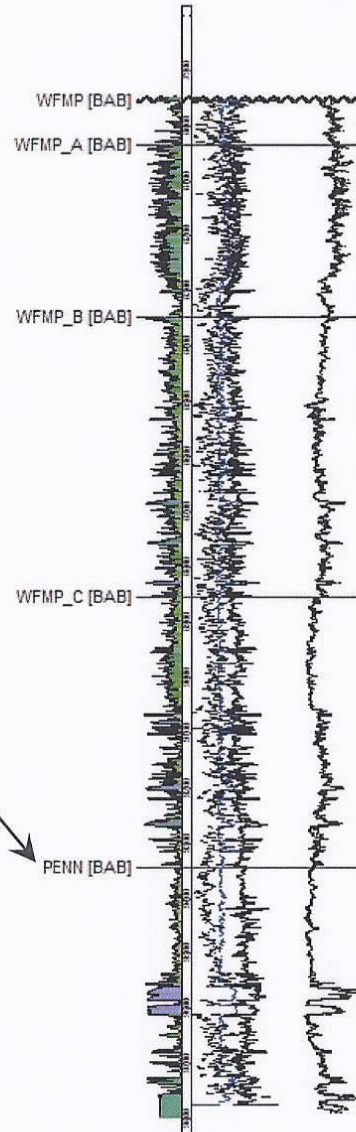
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System	Series	Stratigraphic Unit	Absolute Time
Permian	Guadalupian	Grayburg	270 MA
		San Andres	
	Leonardian	Clearfork / Spraberry	275 MA
		Dean	
		Wolfcamp	
Pennsylvania	Ouachita-Marathon Thrusting	Cisco	299 MA
	Carbonate Ramp	Canyon	310 MA
		Strawn	318 MA
Mississippian			
Devonian			
Silurian			
Ordovician	Upper		444 MA
	Middle		
	Lower	Ellenburger	483 MA

Southern Midland Basin

Val Verde Basin / Ozona Arch



IPF (24hrs)
 443 BO
 146 MCF
 2035 BW
 Oil Gty 42.0

Cored
 7980' - 8636'

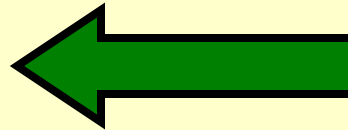
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KEY FACTORS for ECONOMIC SHALE

[from: Rick Lewis (2013) w/ SCHLUMBERGER]

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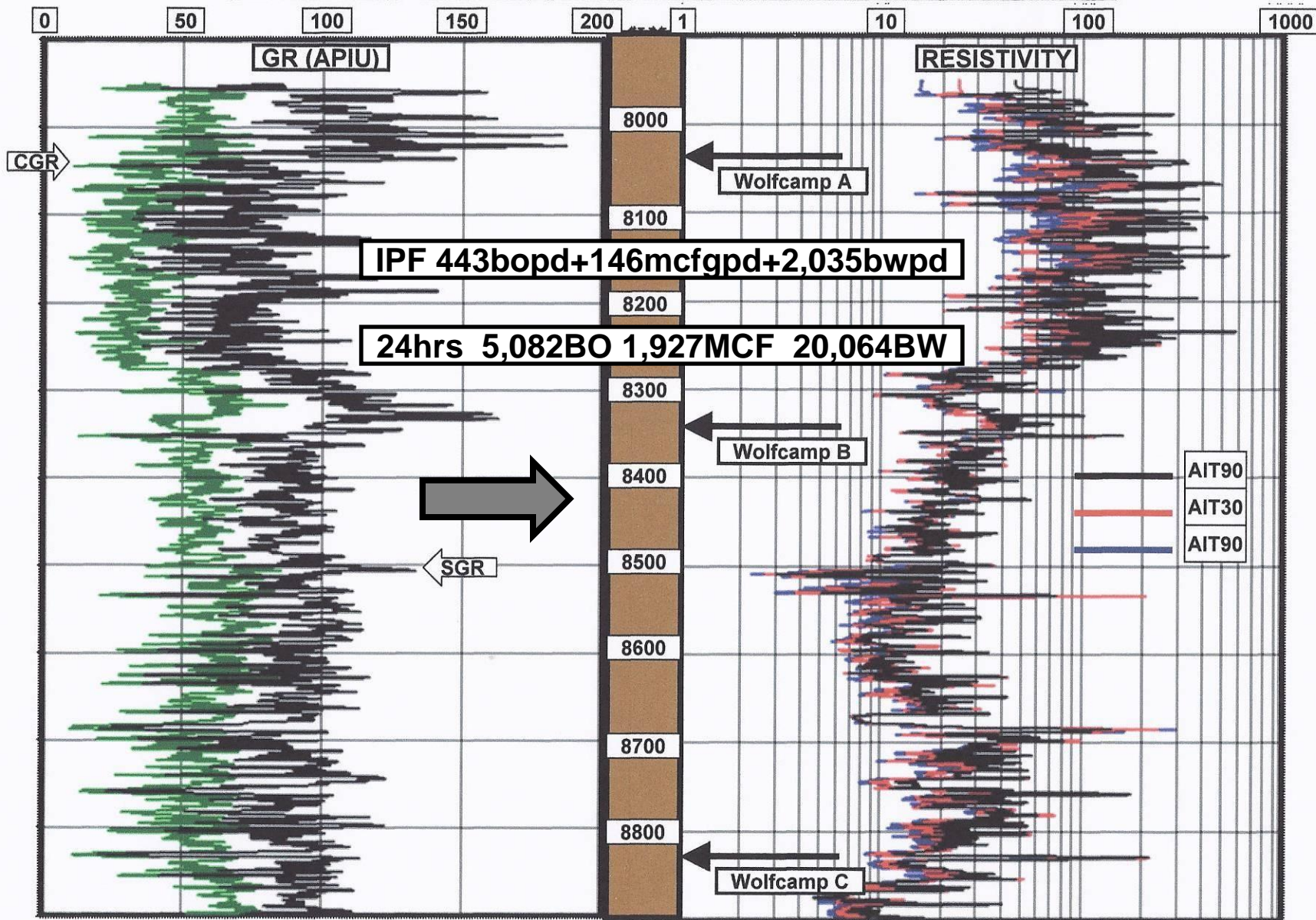
- **Hydrocarbons in Place**
- **Matrix Permeability**
- **Pore Pressure**



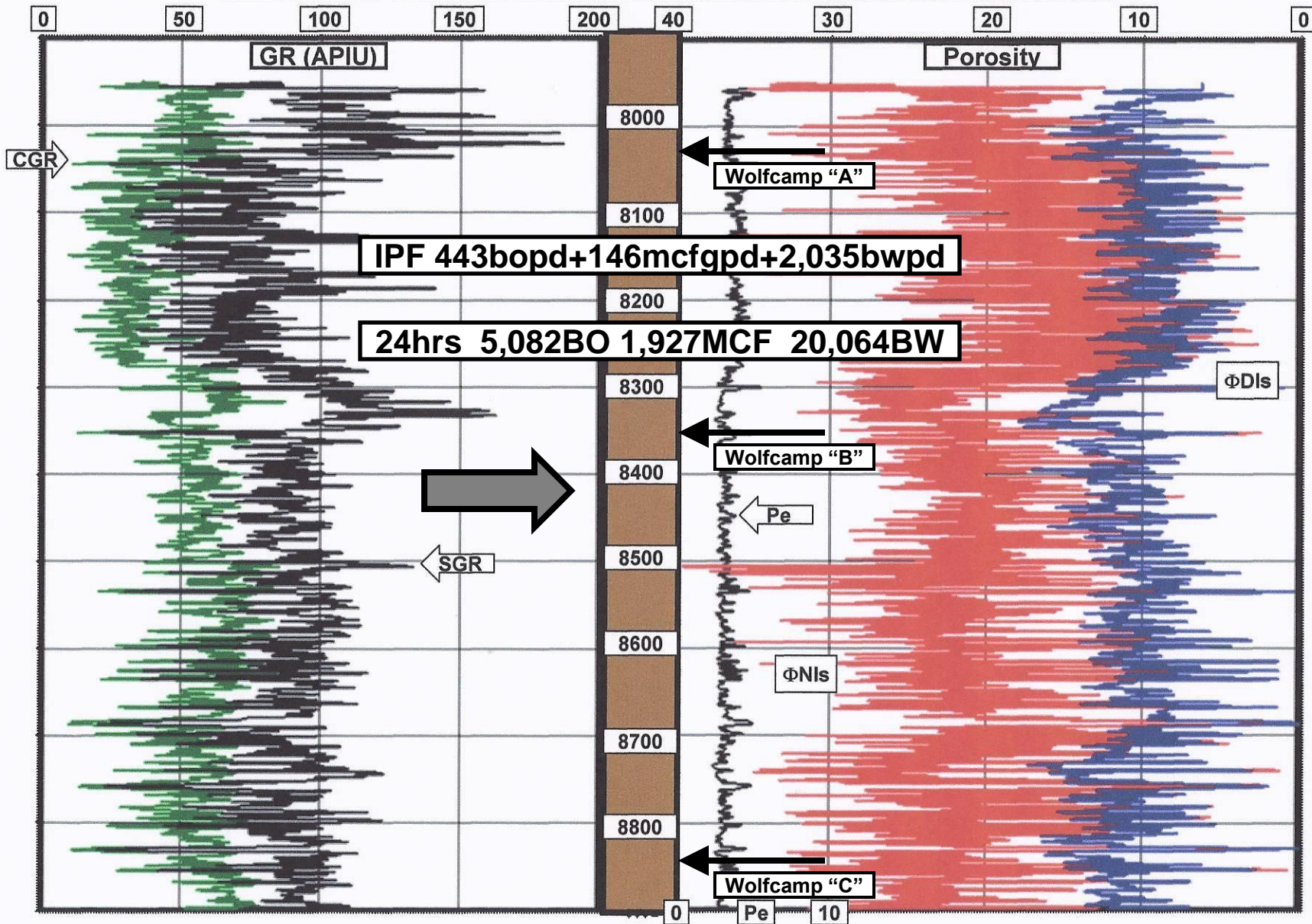
COMPLETION QUALITY

- **Hydraulic Fracture Surface Area**
- **Hydraulic Fracture Conductivity**
- **Hydraulic Fracture Containment**

PERMIAN WOLFCAMP: Midland Basin Texas



PERMIAN WOLFCAMP: Midland Basin Texas



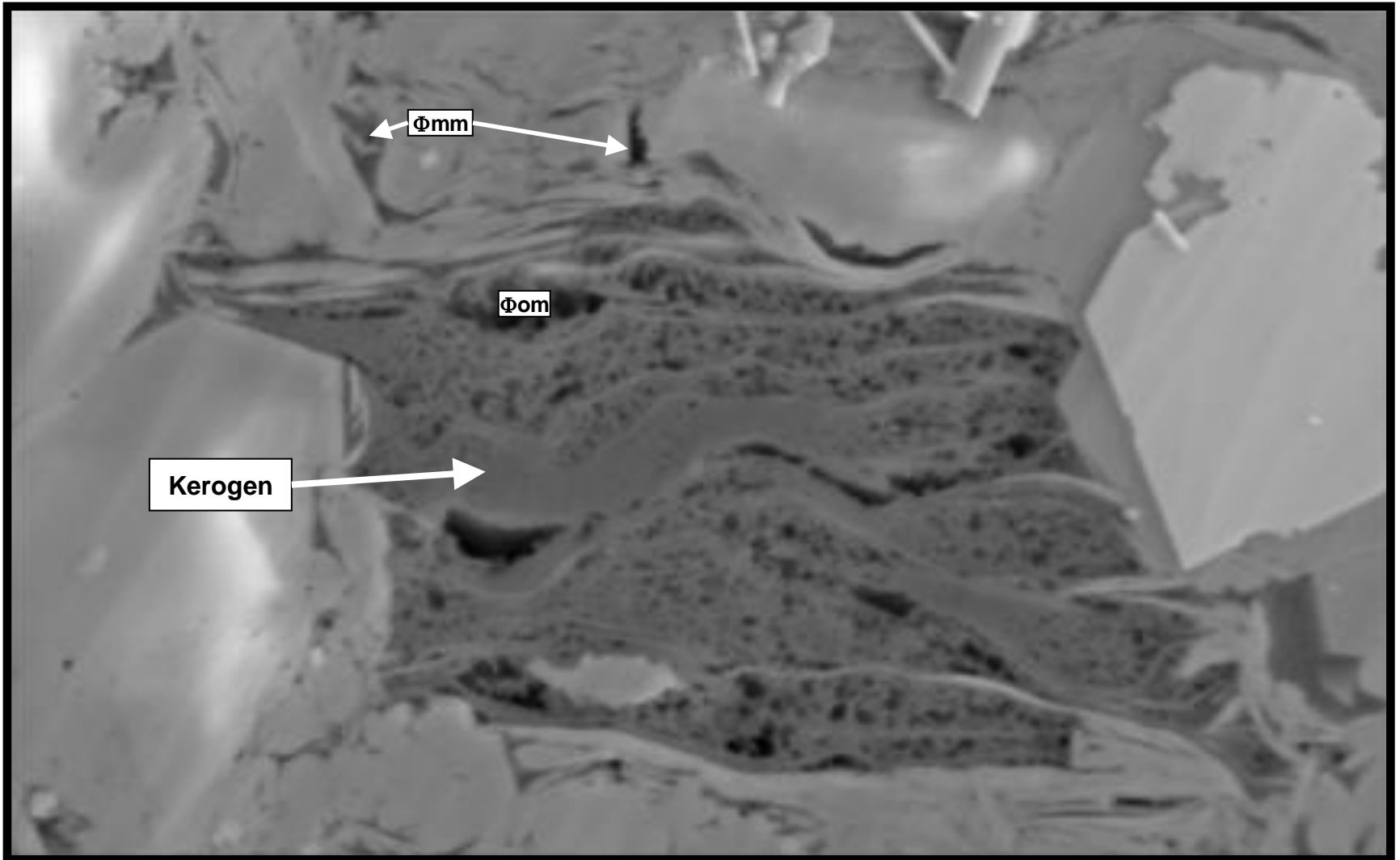
TOClab & TOCschmoker

- **TOClab(wt%):**
- **0.43 to 8.7 avg. = 3.3wt% N = 94**

- **TOCschmoker(wt%):**
- **1.46 to 6.8 avg. = 3.8wt% N = 94**

- **$V_{ke} = (TOC * K_{vr} * \rho_b) / \rho_{kerogen}$**

**ORGANOPOROSITY [Φ_{om}] & MINERAL MATRIX POROSITY [Φ_{mm}]
[Courtesy of Rick Lewis w/ SCHLUMBERGER]**



1 μ m

POROSITIES

in

ORGANIC-RICH SHALES

Φ_{total} and V_{cl} from Simultaneous Equations or ECS and Variable Matrix Analysis

$$\Phi_e = \Phi_{total} - CBW \quad CBW = V_{cl} * \Phi_{clay}$$

$$\Phi_e = \Phi_{om} + \Phi_{mm} \quad \Phi_{clay} = 0.10 \text{ [Illite]}$$

$$\Phi_{om} = V_{ke} * OM \quad OM = \text{Intra-Kerogen Porosity}$$

$$OM = 0.30 \text{ [OM = 0.22 to 0.45]}$$

$K_e = 1.1 \text{g/cc to } 1.5 \text{g/cc}$ during HC generation

$$\Phi_{mm} = \Phi_e - \Phi_{om}$$

OOIP_{stb}

DUAL POROSITY PROCEDURE

OOIP_{stb} ORGANOPOROSITY [Φ_{om}]:

$$\Phi_{oil} = \Phi_{om} * (1 - S_w) \quad S_w = 0.0$$

$$OOIP_{stb} = \Sigma[(7758 * \Phi_{oil} * h * A) / BOI]$$

$$h = 0.5 \text{ft.} \quad A = 160 \text{ac.} \quad BOI = 1.4$$

OOIP_{stb} MINERAL MATRIX POROSITY [Φ_{mm}]:

$$\Phi_{oil} = \Phi_{mm} * (1 - S_w)$$

$$S_w = (R_o / R_t)^{0.5} \quad R_o = 1 / \Phi^2 \quad \Phi = \Phi_{total} - \Phi_{om}$$

$$OOIP_{stb} = \Sigma[(7758 * \Phi_{oil} * h * A) / BOI]$$

$$h = 0.5 \text{ft.} \quad A = 160 \text{ac.} \quad BOI = 1.4$$

OOIPstb
TRIPLE COMBO
DATA ONLY
AIT90, ρb , and ΦNIs

MINERAL VOLUMES and TOTAL POROSITY

- $V_{cl} + V_{qtz} + V_{ke} + \Phi_{total} = 1.0$ $V_{ke} = (TOC * K_{vr} * \rho_b) / \rho_{kerogen}$
- $V_{cl} * \rho_{cl} + V_{qtz} * \rho_{qtz} + V_{ke} * \rho_{ke} + \Phi_{total} * \rho_f = \rho_b$
- $V_{cl} * \Phi_{ncl} + V_{qtz} * \Phi_{nqtz} + V_{ke} * \Phi_{nke} + \Phi_{total} * \Phi_{nf} = \Phi_n$

$$TOC_{wt\%} = (156.956 / \rho_b) - 58.271$$

Schmoker Equation

V_{cl} = volume of clay

ρ_{cl} = density of clay Φ_{ncl} = neutron porosity of clay

V_{qtz} = volume of quartz

ρ_{qtz} = density of quartz Φ_{nqtz} = neutron porosity of quartz

V_{ke} = volume of kerogen

ρ_{ke} = density of kerogen Φ_{nke} = neutron porosity of kerogen

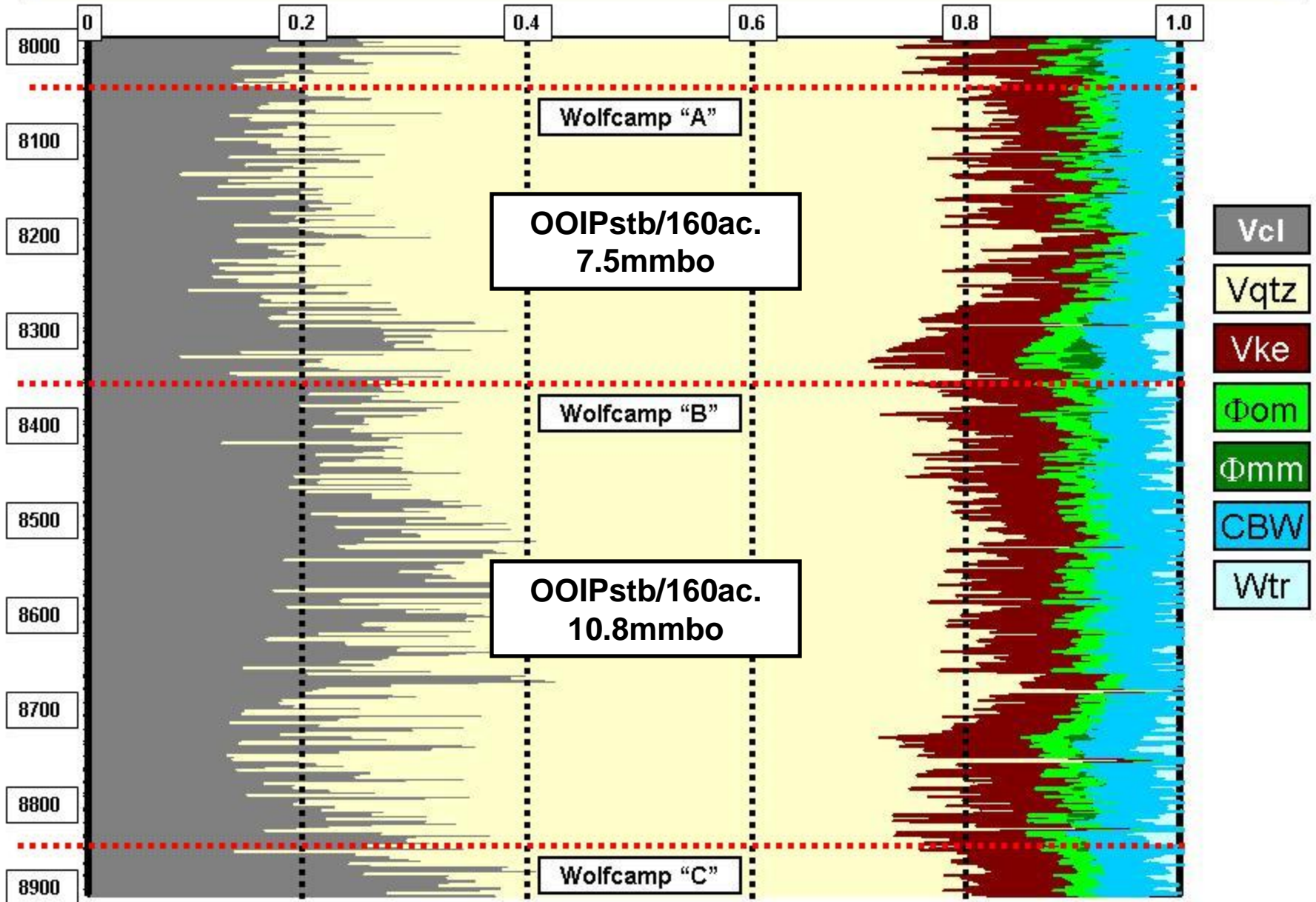
Φ_{total} = total porosity

$\rho_f = S_w * \rho_{water} + (1 - S_w) * \rho_{oil}$

$\Phi_{nf} = S_w * \Phi_{nwater} + (1 - S_w) * \Phi_{noil}$

Modified After Lewis (2009)

Lithology [simultaneous eq.] & Fluid Saturations: Permian Wolfcamp Shale: Texas



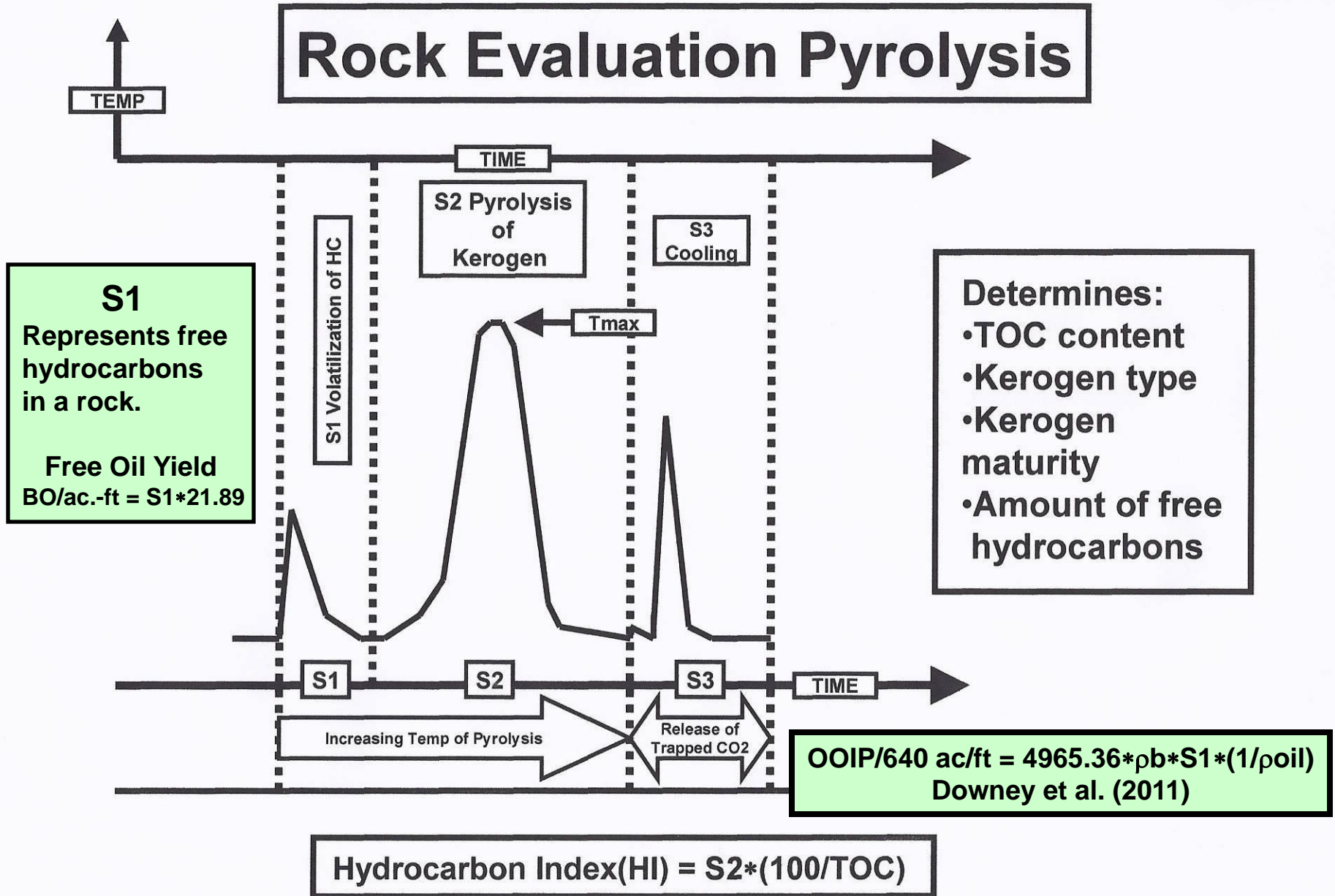
OOIPstb
TRIPLE COMBO
DATA
+
GEOCHEM DATA
[ECS]

VARIABLE MATRIX [GEOCHEM DATA]

- $\rho_{ma} = (V_{cl} \cdot \rho_{cl}) + (V_{cal} \cdot 2.71) + (V_{qtz} \cdot 2.65) + (V_{pyr} \cdot 5) + (V_{ke} \cdot \rho_{ke})$
- $\rho_{ke} = 1.5 \text{ g/cc}$ $V_{ke} = (TOC \cdot K_{vr} \cdot \rho_b) / \rho_{kerogen}$
- ρ_{cl}
 - Kaolinite = 2.61g/cc
 - Chlorite = 2.92g/cc
 - Illite = 2.71g/cc
 - Illite/Smectite = 2.45g/cc
 - Smectite = 2.26g/cc
- $\Phi_{total} = (\rho_{ma} - \rho_b) / (\rho_{ma} - \rho_f)$
- $\rho_f = (S_w \cdot 1.1) + [(1 - S_w) \cdot \rho_{hc}]$ $\rho_{gas} = 0.1 \text{ g/cc}$ $\rho_{oil} = 0.85 \text{ g/cc}$

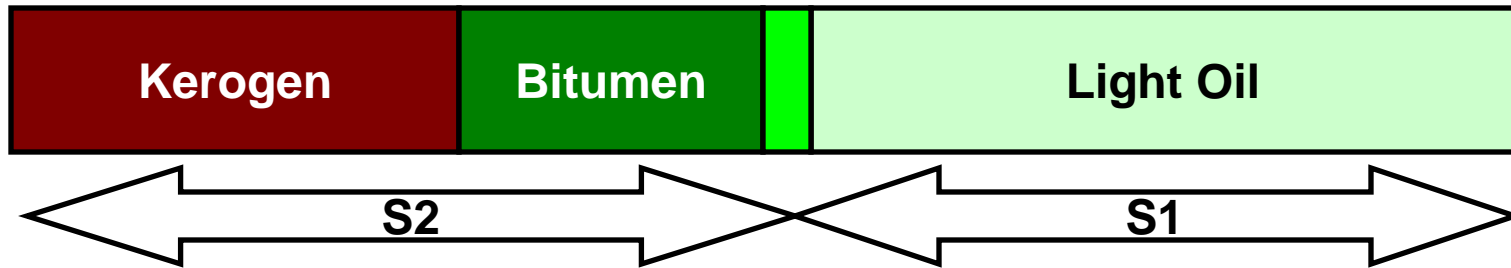
**OIL in PLACE
PYROLYSIS S1 DATA**

Rock Evaluation Pyrolysis

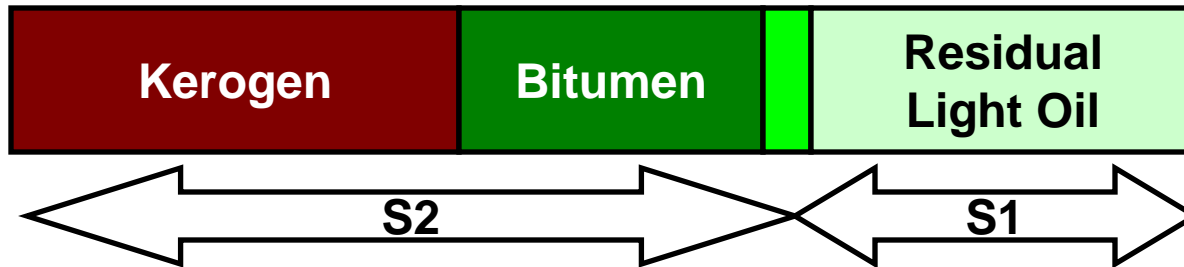


TOTAL ORGANIC CARBON [TOC]

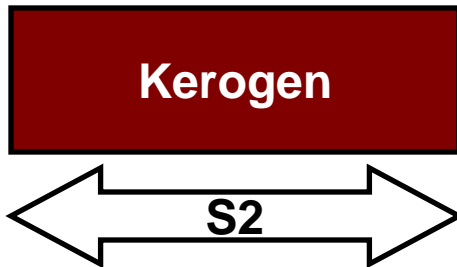
SUBSURFACE



CORES or CUTTINGS [NON-EXTRACTED]



CORES or CUTTINGS [EXTRACTED]

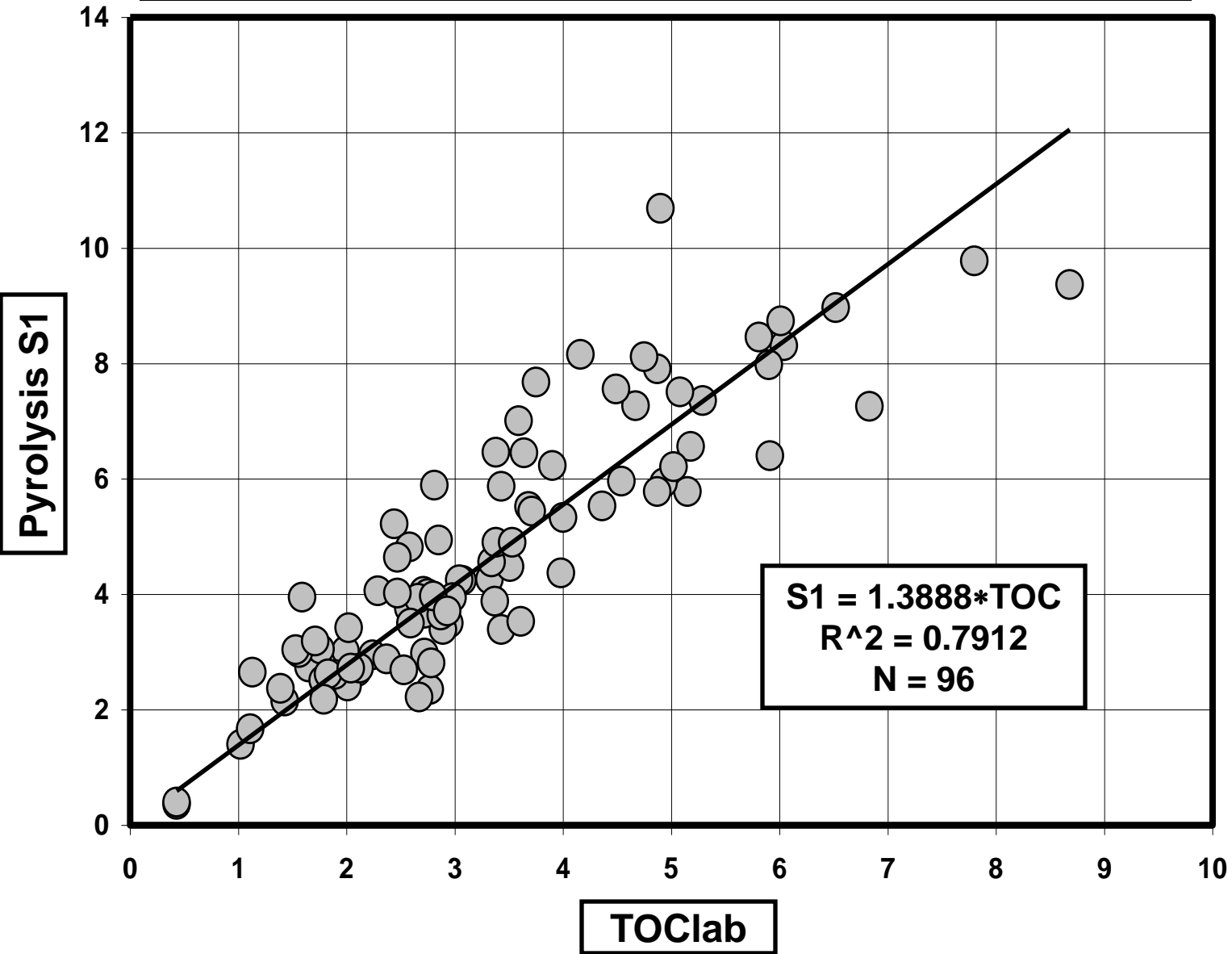


Overlap

IN THE LAB
Dean Starks
[Bitumen+Light Oil]

Retort
[Bitumen] and [Light Oil]

TOClab versus Pyrolysis S1 Permian Wolfcamp Midland Basin



OOIP from Pyrolysis [S1] Data

- **OOIP/640 ac./ft = 4965.36* ρ_b *S1*(1/ ρ_{oil})**
[Downey et al., 2011]

- **OOIP/160ac. = $\Sigma[1241.34*\rho_b*S1*(1/\rho_{oil})*0.5']$**

TOC = (156.956/ ρ_b) - 58.271 [Schmoker Equation]

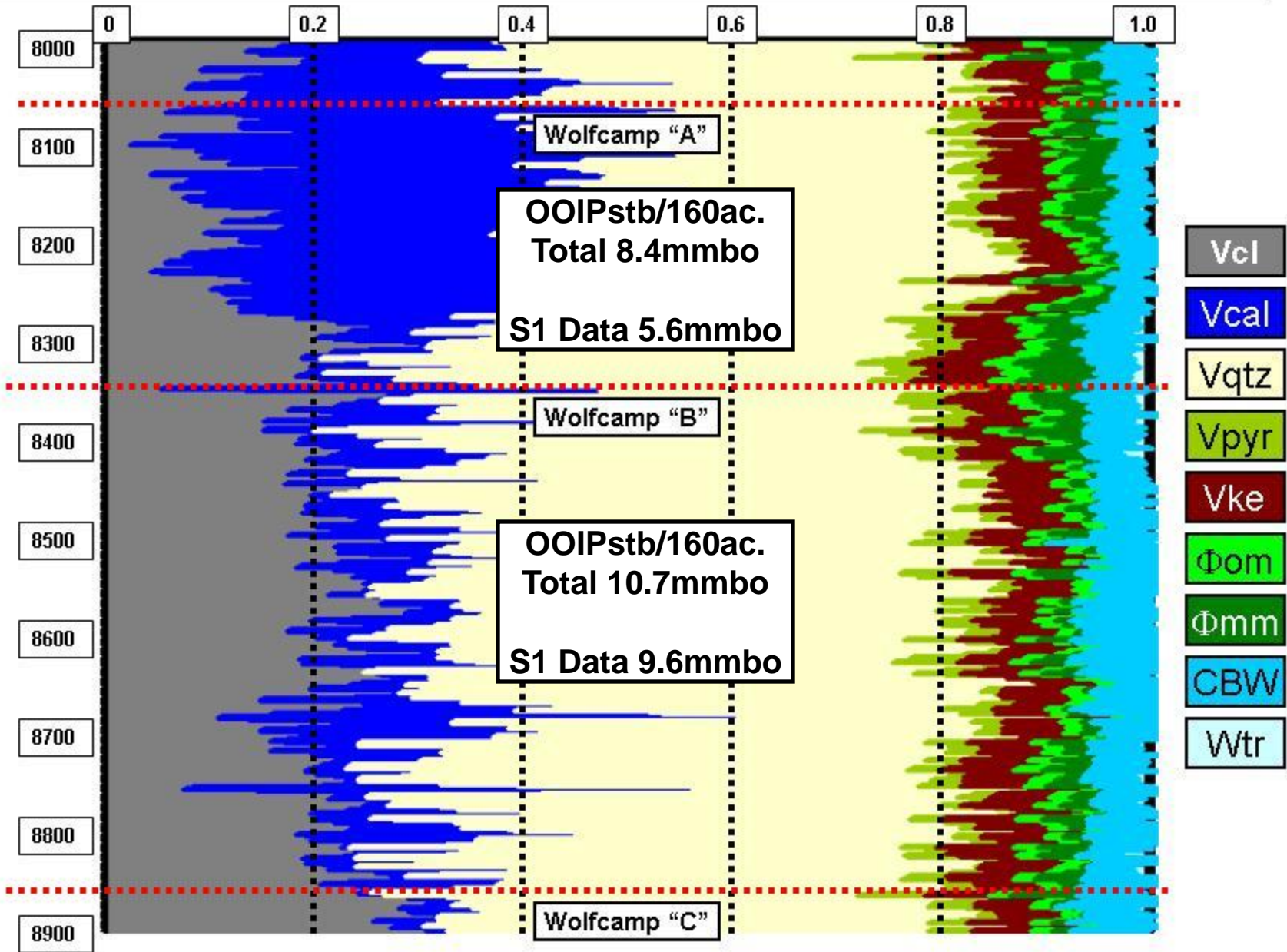
ρ_b = bulk density from well log

S1 = 1.3888*TOClog

ρ_{oil} = oil density [default value: 0.85g/cc]

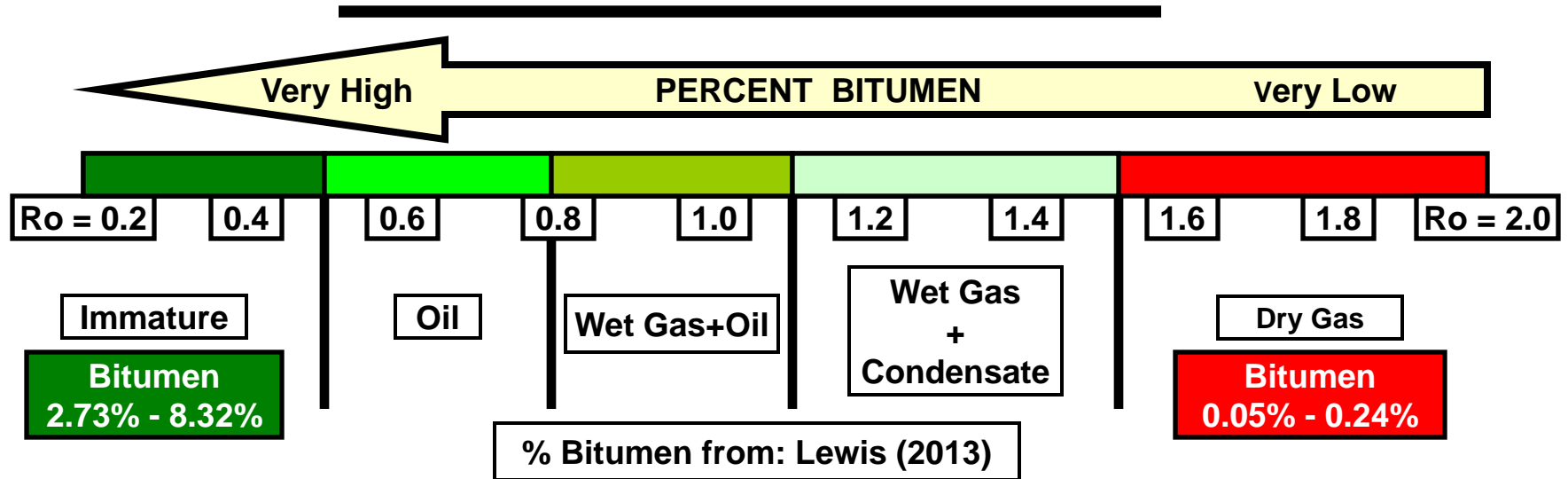
0.5ft. = log data interval

Lithology [ECS Log] & Fluid Saturations: Permian Wolfcamp Shale: Texas



OOIPstb
CORRECTED
for
NON-MOVEABLE
BITUMEN

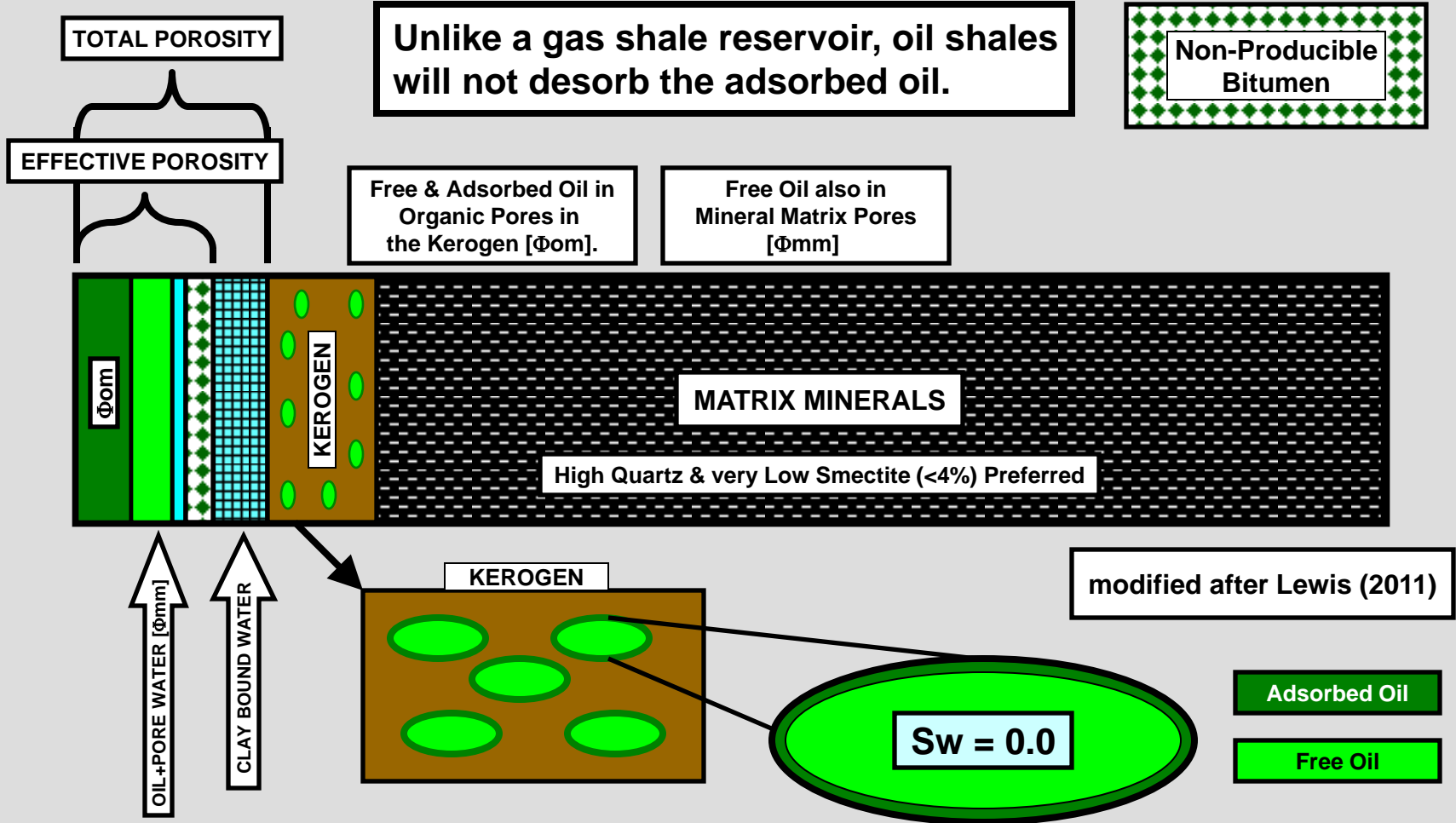
NON-MOVEABLE BITUMEN and the IMPORTANCE of THERMAL MATURITY



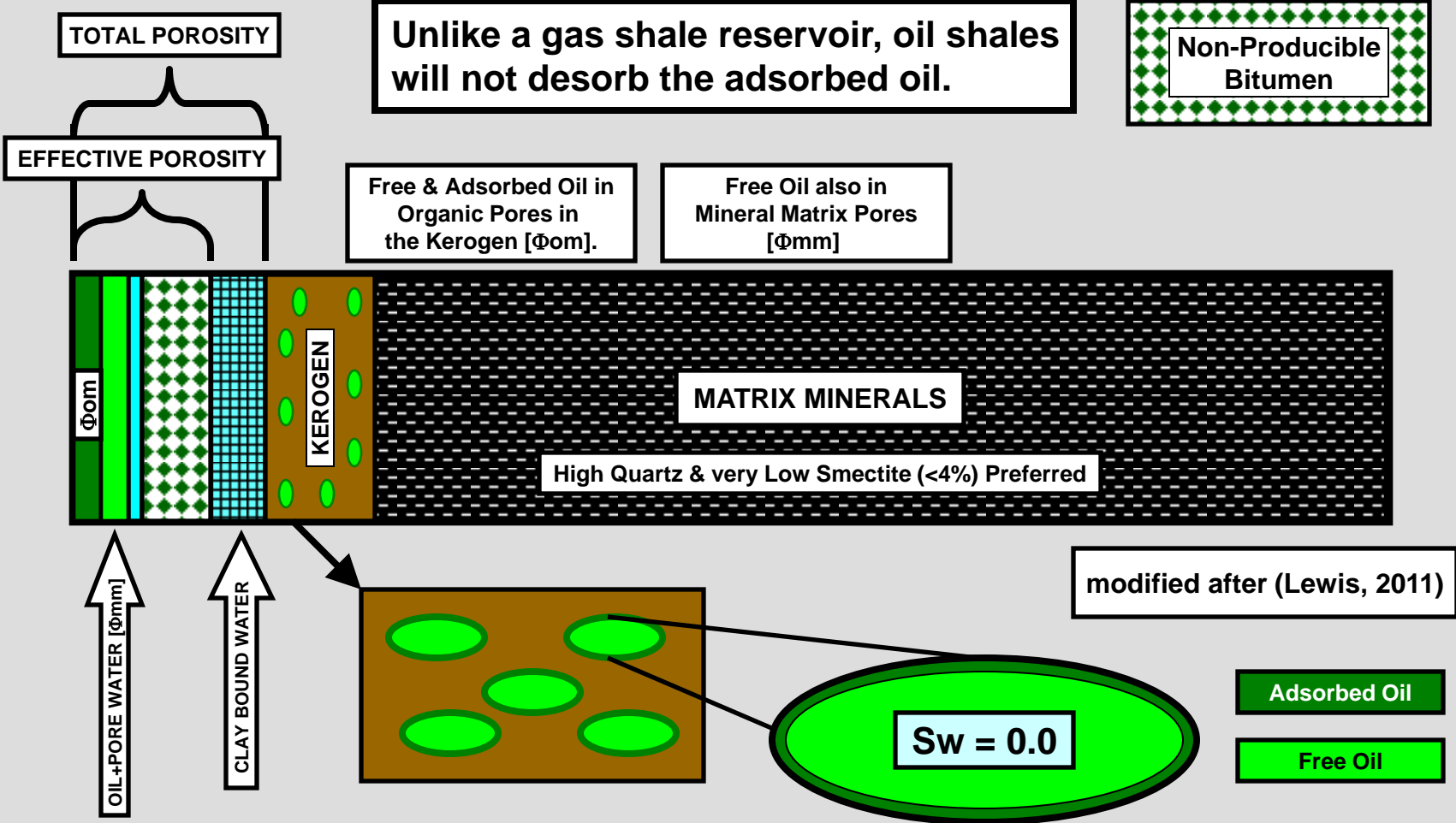
NOTE: As maturity increases the non-producible bitumen is converted to producible oil and gas. The problem is that the non-producible bitumen is calculated as potentially producible oil in a standard log analysis [OOIPstb].

Wolfcamp Midland Basin Well: $R_o(\text{avg.}) = 0.84$ $N = 96$

SHALE POROSITY [High Maturity]



SHALE POROSITY [Low Maturity]



CORRECTING for NON-PRODUCIBLE BITUMEN

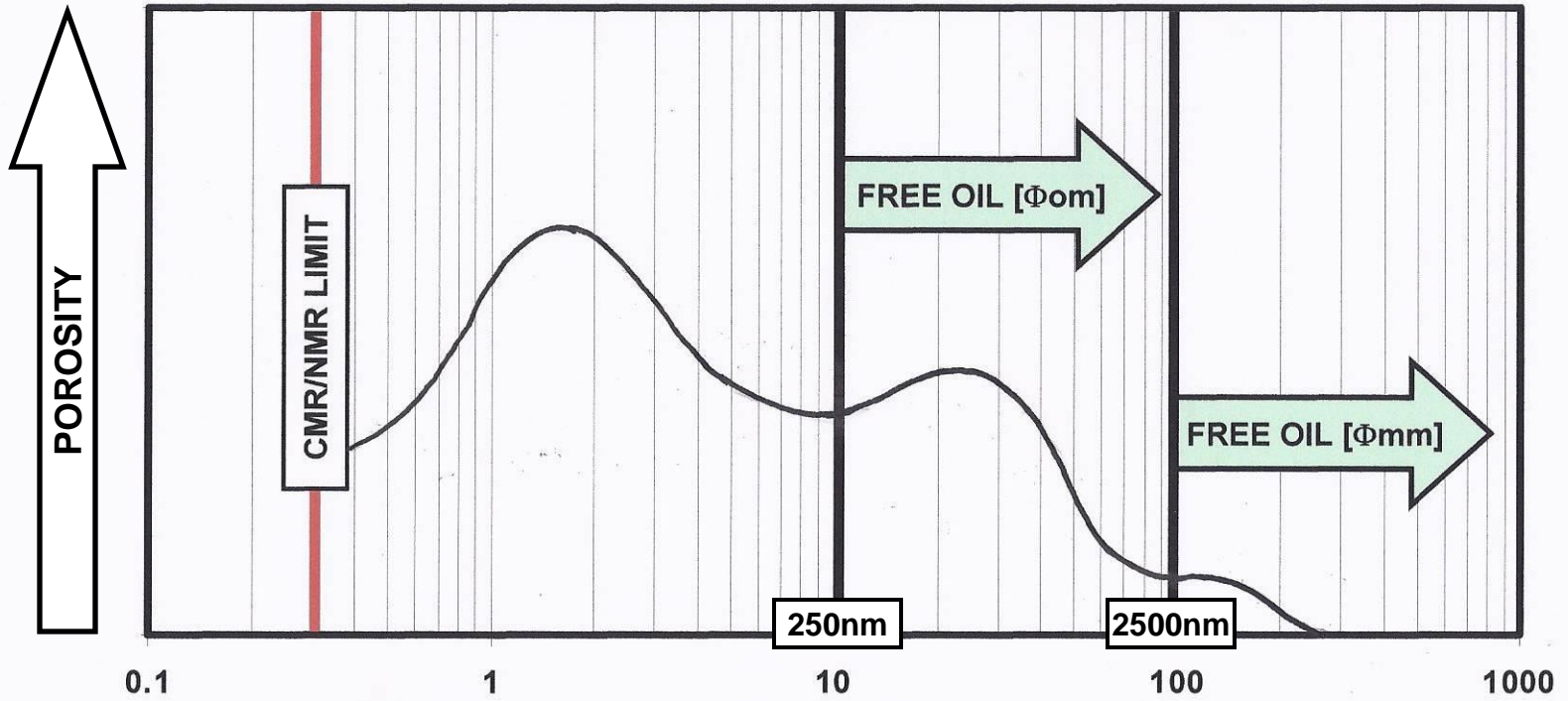
- **NMR/CMR Method [Rylander et al., 2013]**

NO NMR/CMR LOG

- **Ro [vitrinite reflection] versus Non-Produced Bitumen [Φ bitumen] Method [Asquith, 2014]**

$$\text{OOIP}_{\text{stb}} = \Sigma[7758 * (\Phi_{\text{oil}} - \Phi_{\text{bitumen}}) * 0.5' * 160 \text{ac.}] / \text{BOI}$$

WHAT the CMR/NMR is SEEING

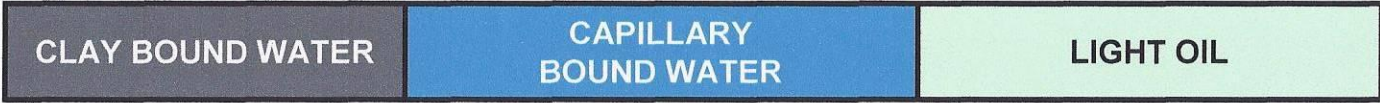


OIL-WET

T2ms



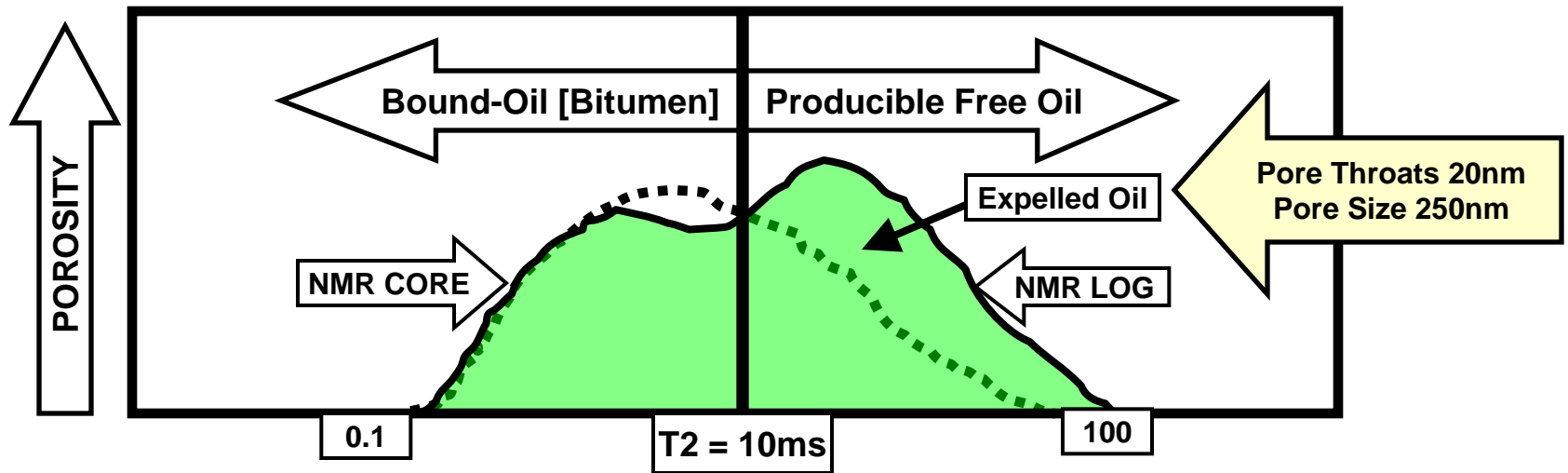
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WATER-WET

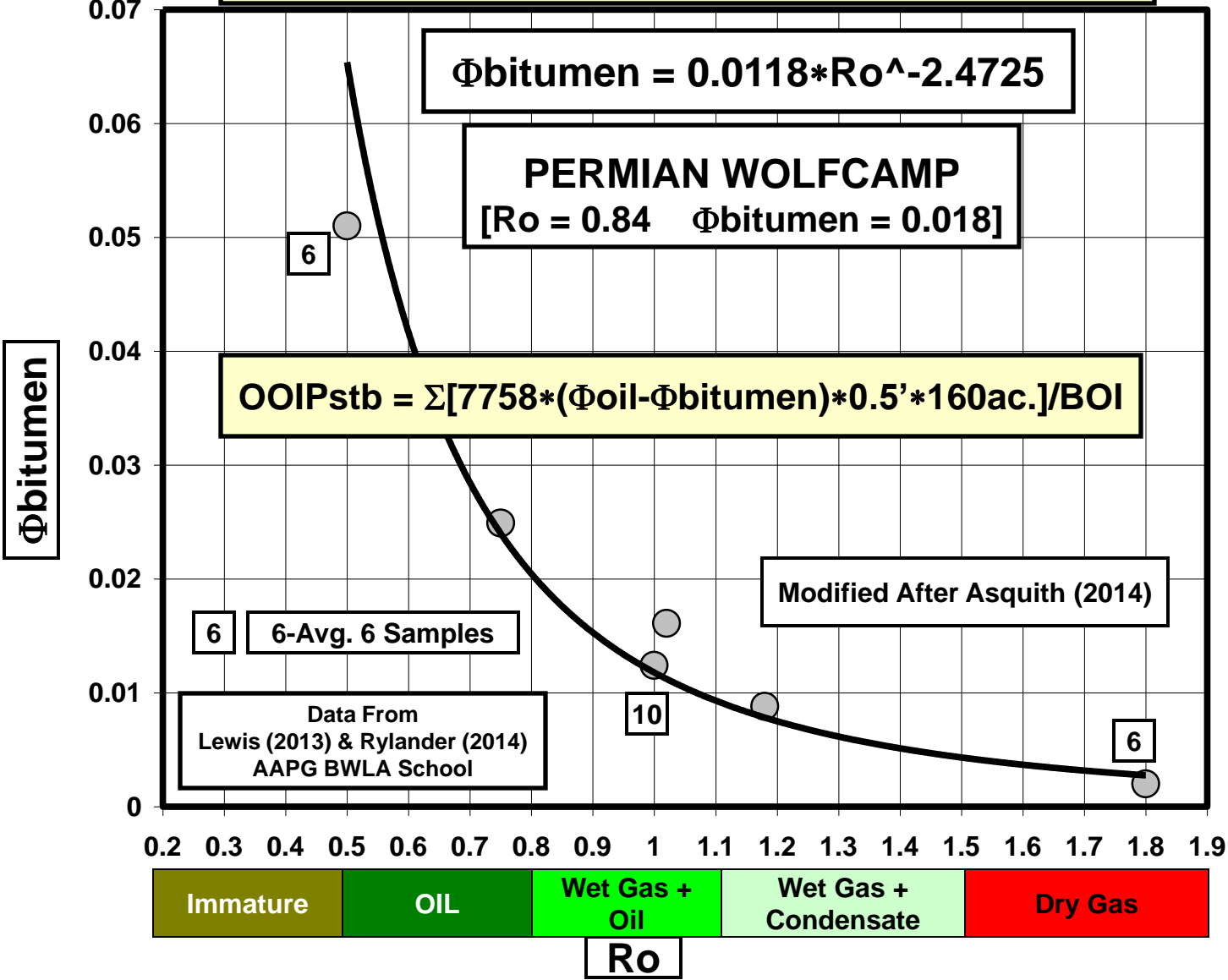
T2 DISTRIBUTIONS from CMR/NMR CORE and CMR/NMR LOG [Downhole]

[redrawn from examples in Rylander et al., 2013]

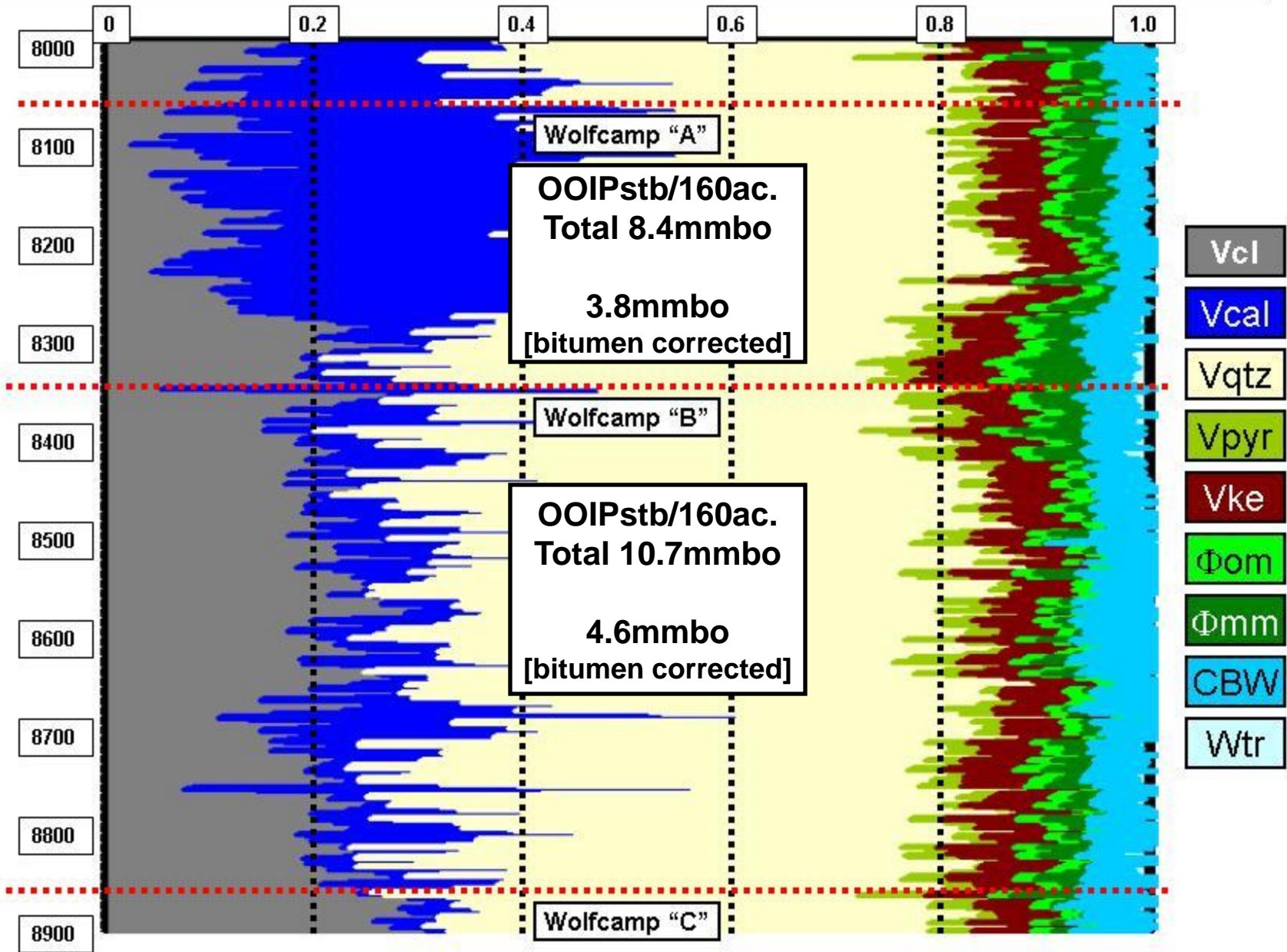


WATER SIGNAL SUBSTRACTED

Ro versus Non-Producing Bitumen [Φ_{bitumen}]



Lithology [ECS Log] & Fluid Saturations: Permian Wolfcamp Shale: Texas



**Summary: Volumetric OOIPstb[mambo], Pyrolysis S1 OOIP[mambo],
& Bitumen Corrected Permian Wolfcamp “A” and “B” Zones:
Midland Basin Texas [160ac.]**

DATA	Triple-Combo	Triple Combo/ECS	Pyrolysis S1	Bitumen Corrected
WOLFCAMP “A”	7.5	8.4	5.6	3.8
WOLFCAMP “B”	10.8	10.7	9.6	4.6
TOTAL	18.3	19.1	15.2	8.4

$$\text{OOIPstb} = \Sigma[7758 * (\Phi_{\text{oil}} - \Phi_{\text{bitumen}}) * 0.5' * 160\text{ac.}] / \text{BOI}$$

CONCLUSIONS

OOIPstb calculated using GEOCHEM data compared well with OOIPstb calculated using only Triple Combo data in both Wolfcamp “A” and Wolfcamp “B”.

However, in the Wolfcamp “A” and “B” OOIP from Pyrolysis S1 data and bitumen corrected are lower.

CONCLUSIONS

OOIP calculated from Pyrolysis S1 Data has the following advantages:

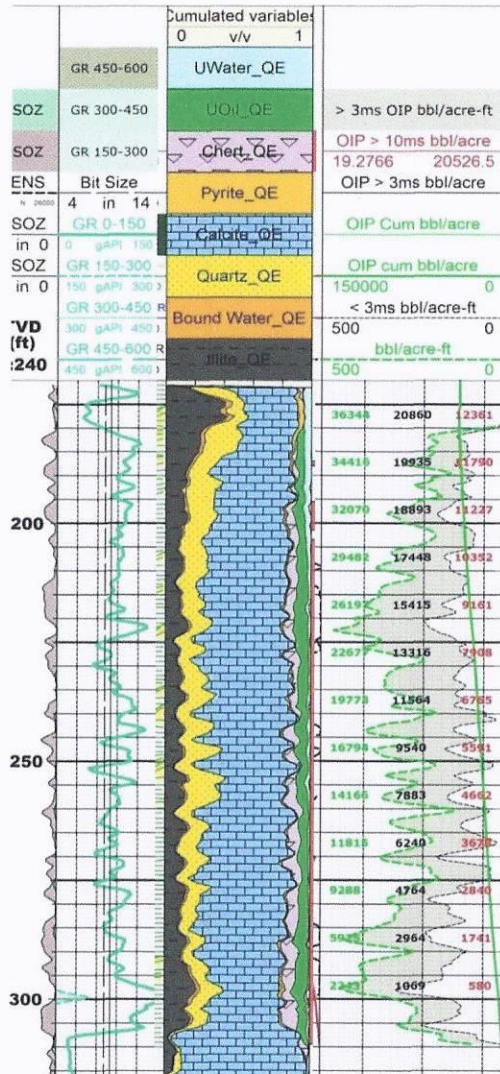
- 1.) NO R_w Needed**
- 2.) NO Porosity Needed [no a , m , n]**
- 3.) NO BITUMEN in the Calculation**

CONCLUSIONS

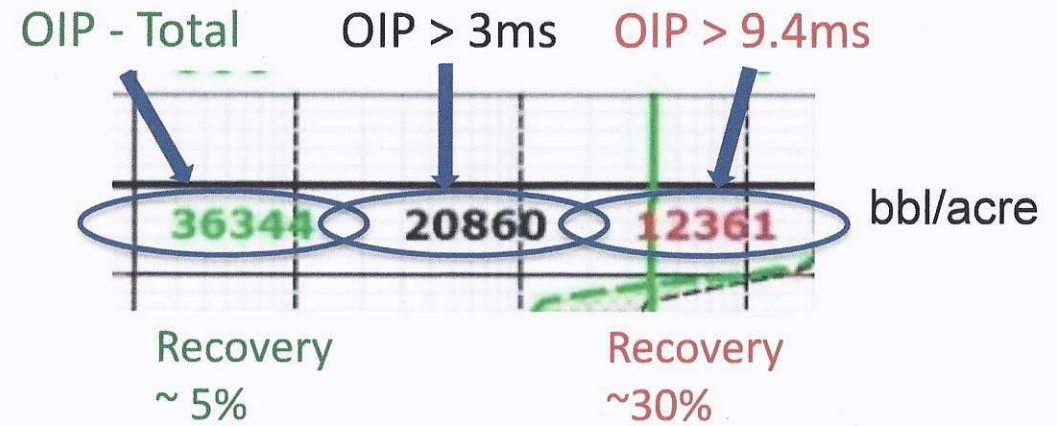
OOIP determined from Pyrolysis S1 data and/or OOIPstb corrected for non-moveable bitumen [Rylander, 2013; Asquith, 2014] represent free-hydrocarbon volumes.

[SEE: LAST SLIDE]

Resource w/ T2 [ms] Cut-Offs Applied



Modified After Rylander (2014) w/
SCHLUMBERGER



Comparing recovery efficiencies computed from the free hydrocarbon volume is a superior way of comparing the effectiveness of hydraulic fracture stimulations