

### **1-3-9 Consolidation of survey results**

From the results of Phase I and II, it is concluded that the Veraguas area is made up of the following rocks.

**Cerro Veraguas and Sierra Overa:** Andesite volcanics of the Cretaceous Aeropuerto formation and porphyry intrusive rocks that have undergone hydrothermal alteration.

**"Pampa District", the plain to the east of the Cerro Veraguas:** Quartz diorite

**The plain to the south of the Cerro Veraguas:** Andesite volcanics and volcanic sandstone of the Paleogene Chile-Alemania formation.

Below are listed the special features of rocks for each area.

#### **1. Cerro Veraguas and Sierra Overa District**

##### **(1) Andesitic volcanics of the Aeropuerto formation**

These rocks form the basement of the area, and are comprised of porphyritic to aphanitic andesite lava, pseudobrecciated lava, tuff and lapilli tuff.

The rocks have undergone silicification, kaolinization, serification and chloritization so that the primary texture is indistinct.

##### **(2) Porphyry intrusive rocks**

These rocks comprise diorite to andesite porphyry intruding the andesitic volcanics in dyke or stock form. The rocks have a fine to medium grained in granular and/or porphyritic texture, in some places have sub-volcanic texture like tuff or pseudobrecciated lava, the boundaries with andesitic volcanics being indistinct. The primary minerals such as plagioclase and hornblende have altered into secondary quartz, kaolin, sericite, biotite, chlorite, potassium feldspar and albite.

##### **(3) Alteration**

Both of the rocks described above have undergone strong hydrothermal alteration, and form the mass of the Cerro Veraguas and the Sierra Overa. ENAMI (1987) has divided the alteration into four zones, from the top down; intensely silicified, quartz-sericitized, siliceous-argillized and chloritized zones.

**Intensely silicified, quartz-sericitized zones:** These zones cover the ridge of the Cerro Veraguas and Sierra Overa to a depth of 50 to 200m. The border between the two is indistinct. The zones are an aggregate of fine massive secondary quartz, with sericite and kaolinite filling the spaces between the crystals; alunite and natroalunite films, and hematite dissemination and/or film are also observed.

**Siliceous argillized zone:** This zone occurs to a thickness of 100-300m beneath the intensely-silicified and quartz-sericitized zones, and is also markedly developed along the fault fracture zone. It is made up mainly of quartz, kaolinite, sericite and pyrophyllite, and alunite, natroalunite, gypsum and anhydrite are observed. The zone is accompanied by hematite dissemination and film, while on the surface and along the fault a leached zone is formed, with strong concentrations of pulverized kaolinite clay, reddish hematite, jarosite and natrojarosite. As the zone goes deeper there is a shift into the chloritized

zone. Together with the appearance of chlorite, pyrite dissemination and film may be observed.

**Chloritized zone:** The primary mafic minerals have undergone chloritization; the texture of the original rocks remain. The altered minerals are, in addition to chlorite, secondary

quartz that has undergone corrosion, albite, potassium feldspar and sericite, biotite, gypsum and anhydrite. Pyritization is also marked in this zone. From the fact that the upper part of the chloritized zone shifts gradually into the siliceous-argillized zone, while in the lower part accompanies secondary quartz and potash feldspar, the zone may be divided from the top down into 4 zones, the combination of minerals corresponding to the phillic and potassic zones respectively of the alteration classification of porphyry copper minerals according to Lowell and Guilbert (1970):

- Siliceous argillized-chloritized zone : phillic zone
- Chlorite zone : phillic zone
- Silicified-chloritized zone : phillic zone
- Silicified-potash feldspar-chloritized zone : potassic zone

**(4) Mineralization**

As a result of this year's survey copper mineralizations have been encountered in the following areas.

**a) Northwestern hillside of the Sierra Overa (MJCv-13)**

In this district copper oxides disseminate in the aphanitic andesite below the leached zone that covers the surface. And in diorite porphyry copper oxides, native copper and chalcopyrite disseminate as follows:

Depth	Cu mineral	Cu ave.	max.	Au ppm	Alteration
0-17m	atacamite/brochantite	0.55%	1.24%	0.20	siliceous argillized-chloritized
17-70m	atacamite/brochantite	0.24	1.12	0.14	chloritized
70-78m	atacamite/brochantite	0.34	0.40	0.21	chloritized
78-149m	Cu' atacamite-azurite	0.23	0.86	0.13	chloritized
149-180m	Cu' atacamite-azurite	0.18	0.52	0.13	silicified-chloritized-potash feldspar
180-190m	atacamite-azurite	0.14	0.27	0.09	silicified-chloritized-potash feldspar
198-250m	chalcopyrite	0.11	0.26	<0.04	silicified-chloritized-potash feldspar
250-300m	chalcopyrite	0.10	0.55	<0.04	silicified-chloritized-potash feldspar

The above shows that in the phillic zone between 0-149m there is a T.Cu grade of >0.2% and a Au grade of >0.1ppm, while in the potassic zone below 149m there is a tendency for the mineralization of both copper and gold to weaken.

Native copper occurs between 78-180m in disseminate and film form, but as the addition to potash feldspar and secondary quartz becomes stronger below 149m the amount of native copper lessens, becom-

ing infinitesimal below 180m. In addition to the copper minerals, hematite and magnetite disseminate throughout the hole, but in the places where native copper occurs hematite has not completely replaced the magnetite, and both iron minerals are invariably found together. The replacement of magnetite with hematite is more advanced in places where larger amounts of copper oxides occur.

**b) Eastern foot of the Sierra Overa (MJCv-6)**

Between 149-151m and 165-169m, around the borders between andesite and porphyry, chalcocite and covellite disseminate with chlorite. In the chloritized zone accompanying the addition to secondary quartz and potash feldspar below 318m, chalcopyrite disseminates with pyrite.

Depth	Cu mineral	T.Cu ave.	max.	Original rock	Alteration
149-151m	chalcocite-covellite	1.05%	1.38%	andesite	siliceous argillized-chloritized
165-169m	chalcocite-covellite	0.27%	0.34%	andesite	siliceous argillized-chloritized
318-339m	chalcopyrite	±0.1%		porphyry	silicified-chloritized
339-400m	chalcopyrite	±0.1%		porphyry	silicified-chloritized-potash feldspar

**c) San Juan Mine, North side of the Sierra Overa (MJCv-9)**

In the San Juan Mine, chalcantite and atacamite disseminate within a siliceous argillized zone. Open pit mining was carried out on the scale of 50mx30m, at a depth of 10m below the surface.

The mine is closed now.

The hole, which shows marked siliceous argillization, comprises a leached zone with strong concentrations of pulverized reddish hematite, jarosite and natrojarosite. It has not been possible to encounter any continuity the deposits, but cu oxides such as atacamite and chalcantite have been found in the places listed below.

Depth	Cu mineral	T.Cu ave.	max.	Koppm	Original rock	Alteration
30- 31m	atacamite	3.20%		35	unknown	siliceous argillized jarosite, hematite rich
156-178m	chalcantite	0.17%	0.24%	154	andesite	siliceous argillized jarosite, hematite rich
182-196m	chalcantite	0.14%	0.24%	123	andesite	siliceous argillized jarosite, hematite rich
199-204m	chalcantite	0.13%	0.14%	55	andesite	siliceous argillized jarosite, hematite rich
226-248m	chalcantite	0.12%	0.16%	69	andesite	siliceous argillized jarosite, hematite rich

**d) South-western foot of Cerro Veraguas (MJCv-10)**

In and around the porphyry dykes between 59.0-90.2m, copper mineralization with a T.Cu grade of >0.2%, and molybdenum mineralization with a maximum of 780ppm have been encountered.

Depth	Cu mineral	T.Cu ave.	max.	Original rock	Alteration
59- 61m	chalcocite-covellite	0.28%	0.35%	andesite	siliceous argillized
68- 70m	chalcocite-covellite	0.20%	0.26%	porphyry	siliceous argillized-chloritized
82- 86m	chalcocite-covellite	0.23%	0.38%	porphyry	siliceous argillized-chloritized

### e) Eastern foot of Cerro Veraguas (MJCv-11)

This area has formed a leached zone accompanying the NW-SB fracture. Between 265.2-266.85m chalcocite and covellite disseminate with calcite and quartz in porphyry under the leached zone.

Depth	Cu mineral	T.Cu ave.	max.	Original rock	Alteration
265-267m	chalcocite-covellite	0.76%	0.85%	porphyry	siliceous argillized-chloritized

## 2. Pampa District: the Plain east of the Cerro Veraguas (MJCv-12)

### (1) Quartz diorite

Quartz diorite stock is distributed over a 2km x 2km area in the eastern part of the Veraguas area. The one or two kilometers between the Cerro Veraguas and the Pampa district are covered by alluviums and colluviums, and the border between the stock and the andesite volcanics of the Aeropuerto formation is not distinct.

### (2) Alteration

The quartz diorite has undergone alteration: the augite and hornblende have been replaced by chlorite, and the plagioclase by epidote. In addition to these, secondary quartz, albite, potash feldspar, sericite, calcite, actinolite are observable throughout the hole.

### (3) Mineralization

Specularitic hematite occurs in film, network and disseminate form, accompanying chlorite and epidote. Near the surface, to a depth of 53.0m, the hematite has been replaced by jarosite.

Between 0-131.0m and 178-182m chalcocite, brookanthite and other copper oxides film along the fissures, in addition to which extremely small amounts of chalcocite and covellite are observable. Between 13-19m copper oxides occur with calcite and hematite, and the average T.Cu grade is 0.6%. Between 125-131m copper oxides disseminate and film accompanying hematite, and the average T.Cu grade is 1.02%. Between 131-178m chalcopyrite disseminates with pyrite and hematite. The average T.Cu grade is 0.31% between 131-148m, 0.1% between 148-178m.

## 3. Plain to the south of the Cerro Veraguas (MJCv-7)

### (1) Andesite volcanics and volcanic sandstone of the Chile-Alemania formation (MJCv-7, 0-286.25m)

This formation is comprised of volcanic sandstone, andesitic pyroclastic rock and coarse grained vesicular andesitic lava displays a reddish-brown to reddish-purple coloration due to the hematite dissemination. The vesicles are filled with chlorite between 46.65-92.65m, and with chlorite, quartz and calcite between 207.55-286.25m. The phenocrysts of plagioclase have been replaced by albite.

**(2) Andesitic volcanic rocks of the Aeropuerto formation (MJCY-7, 286.25-450m)**

This formation is comprised of dacitic andesite that has undergone strong silicification, and fine grained andesite. The dacitic andesite displays a white coloration due to the strong silicification, and is made up of secondary quartz, as well as kaolin, dickite and gypsum. The fine grained andesite displays reddish-purple coloration due to the hematite dissemination. The rock shows very faint indications of chloritization, silicification and gypsum film.

**(3) Mineralization**

Hematite disseminates throughout the hole, but little or no sulfide minerals such as pyrite have been observed.

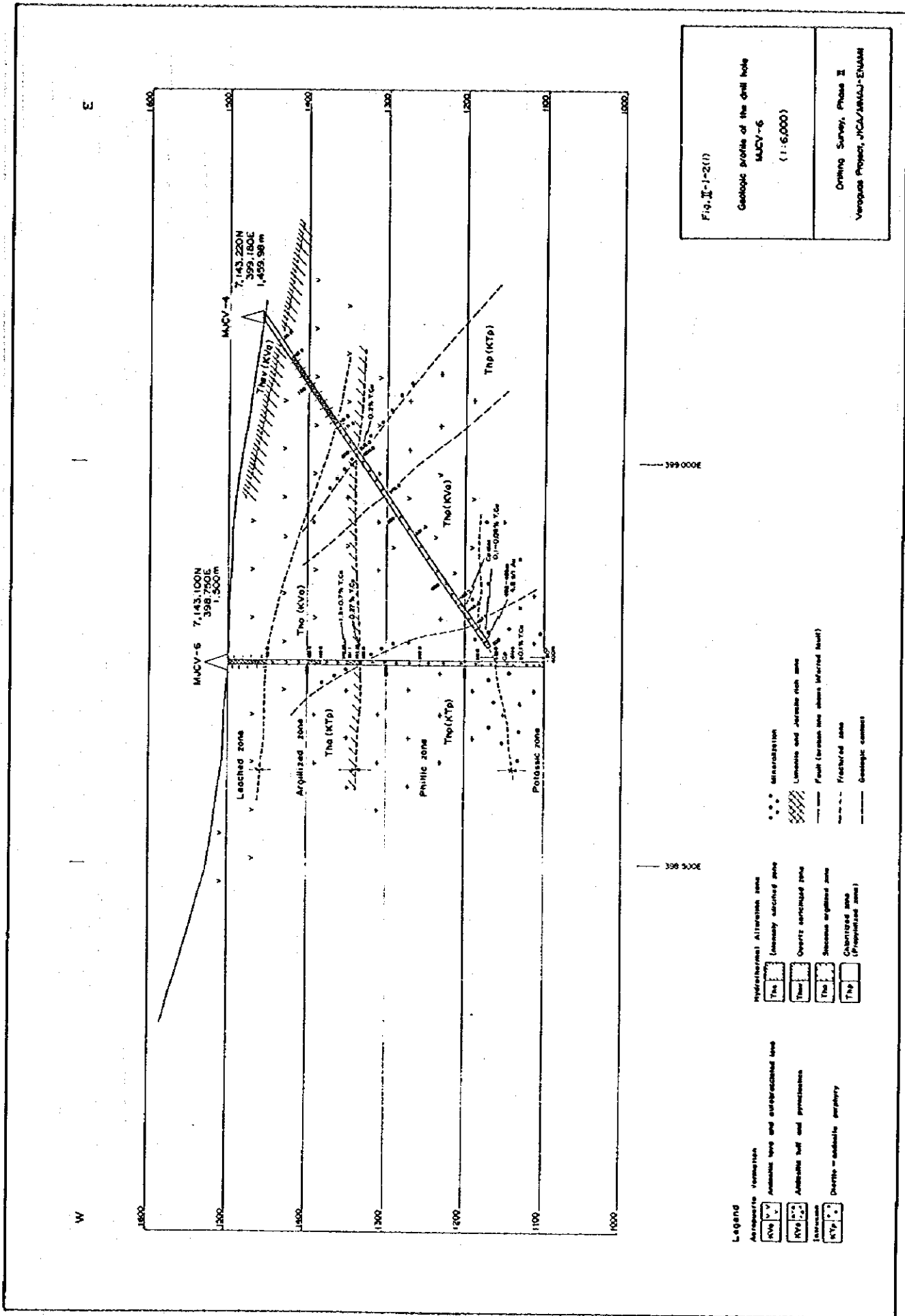


Fig. II-1-2(1)

Geologic profile of the drill hole  
MUCV-6  
(1:6,000)

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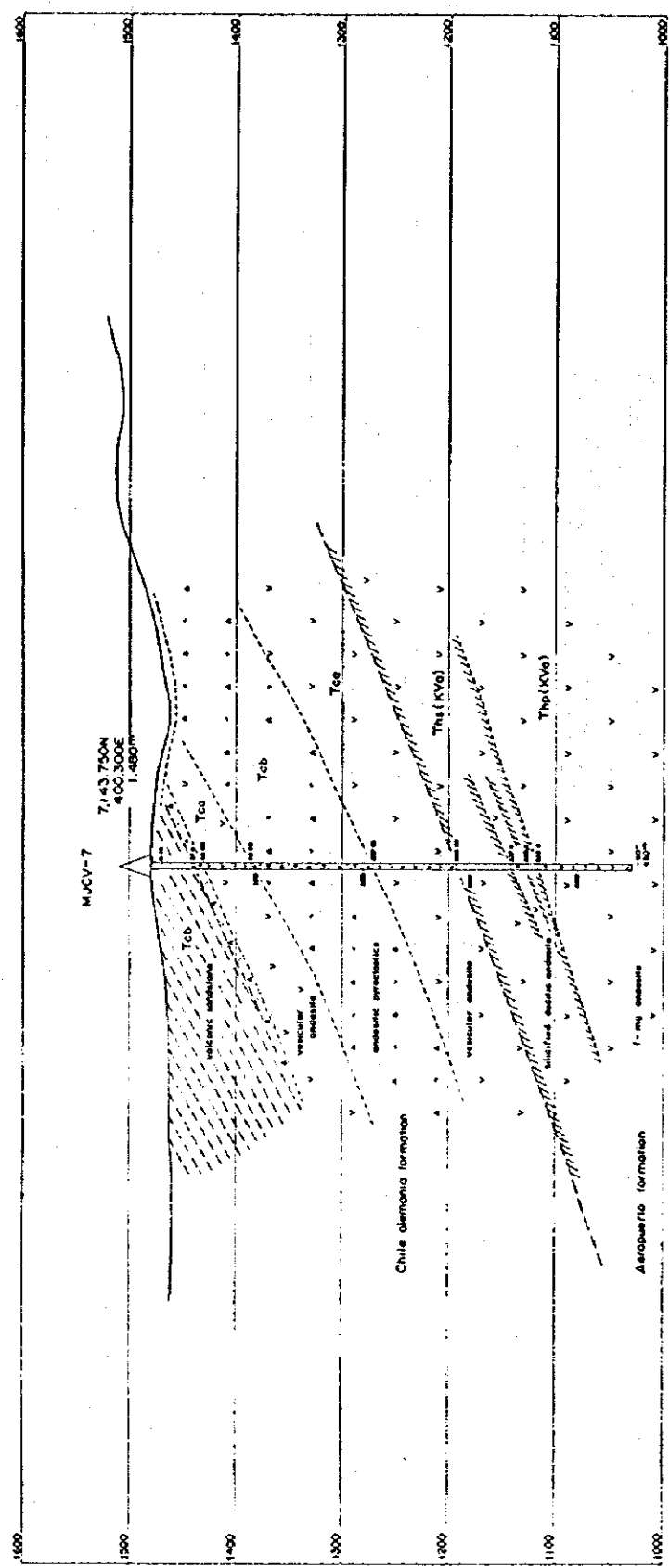
- Archeozoic Formation
- Amphibole zone and amphibolized zone
- Amphibole belt and pyroxenite
- Diorite - gabbroic periphery

- Hydrothermal Alteration zone
- Leached zone
- Opartz enriched zone
- Siliceous argillized zone
- Quartzized zone (Argillized zone)

- Mineralization
- Limonite and jarosite rich zone
- Fault (across the sheet marked fault)
- Fractured zone
- Geologic contact

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Legend

- Chilidempia formation
- Volcanic andesite
- Andesitic pyroclastics
- Andesitic lava
- Aeroberto formation
- Andesite lava and interstratified lava
- Andesitic tuff and pyroclastics
- Opelite - andesite porphyry
- Hydrothermal Alteration zone
- Iron-rich andesite zone
- Quartzite andesite zone
- Siliceous andesite zone
- Chertified zone (Propylitic zone)
- Marcellization
- Limestone and dolomite rich zone
- Fault (brown line shows inferred fault)
- Fractures zone
- Geologic contact

Fig. II-1-2(2)

Geologic profile of the drill hole  
MUCV-7  
(1:5,000)

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Variscus Project, JICA/AMAU-ENAMI

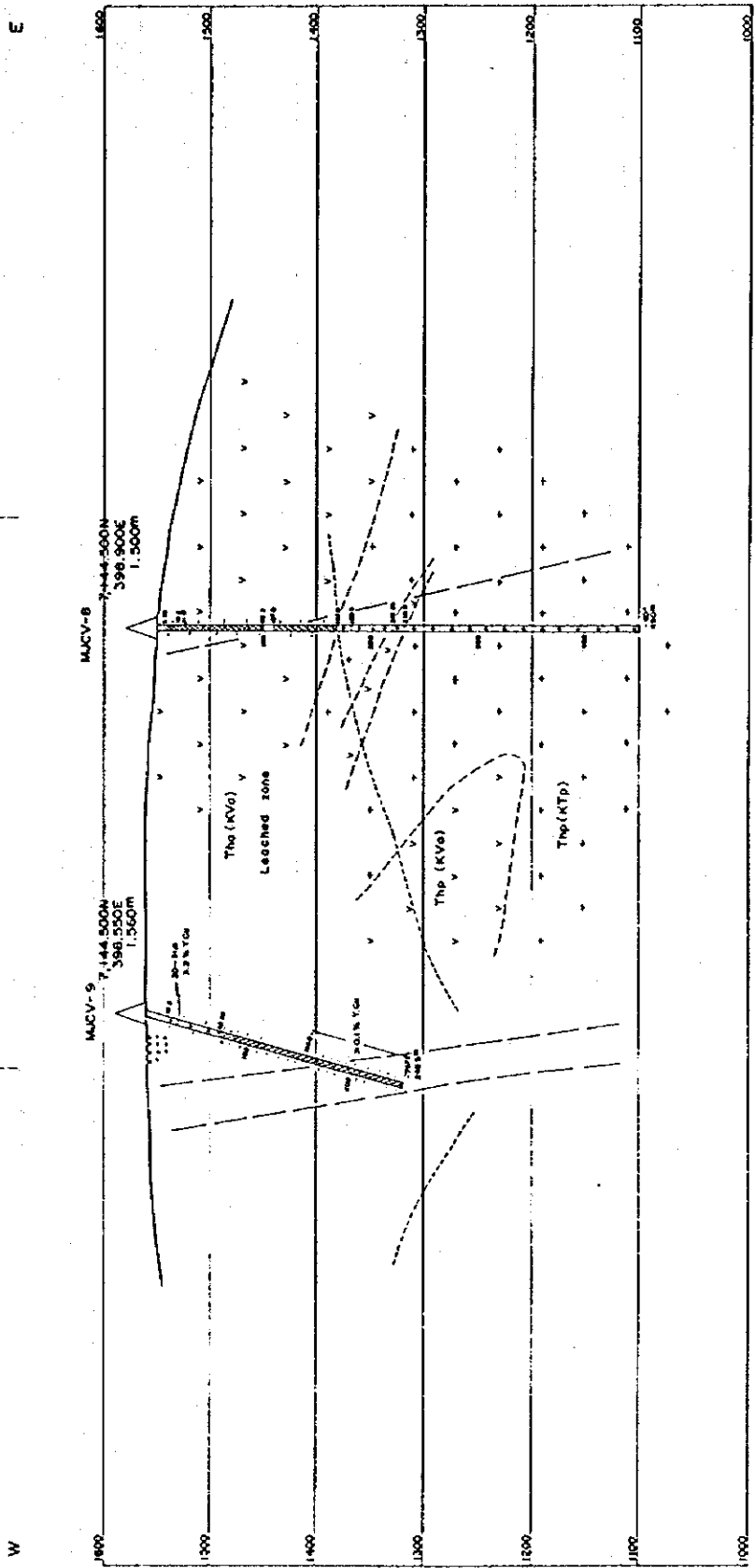


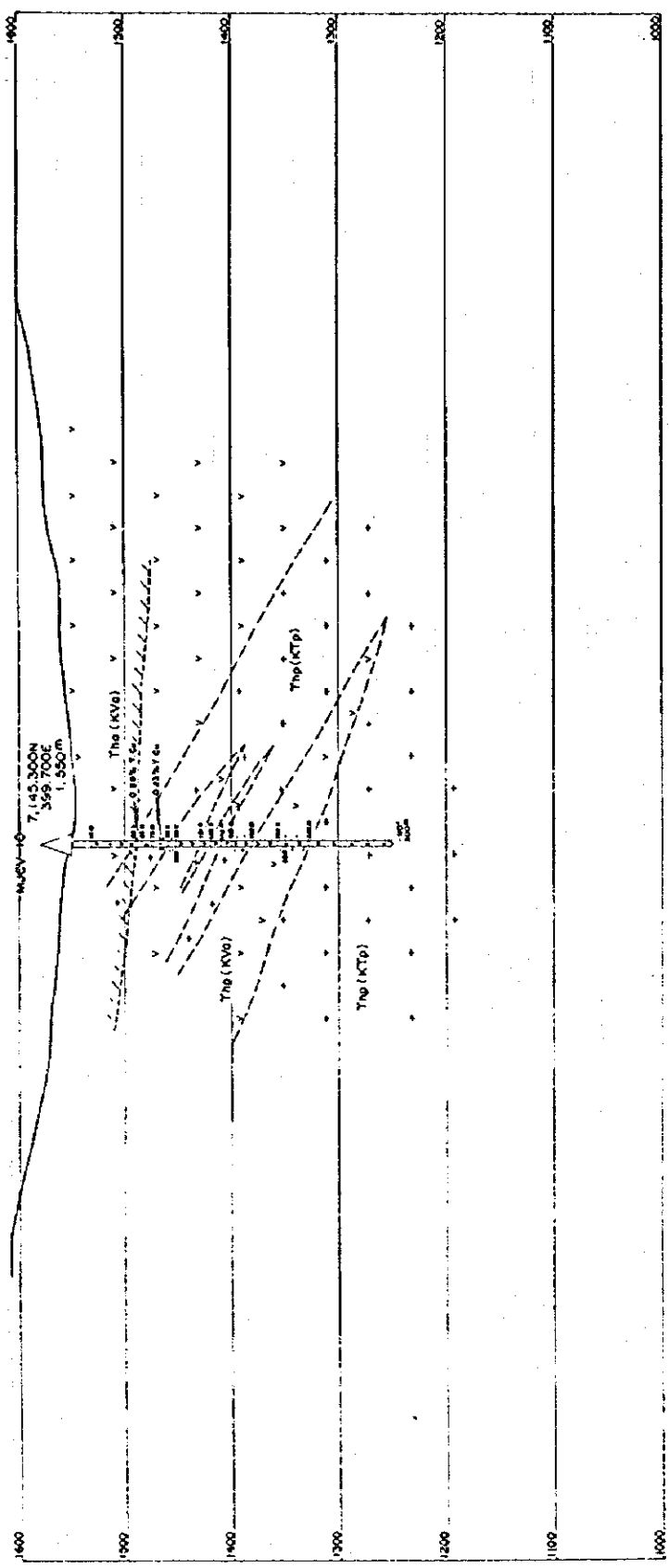
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 Geologic profile of the drift hole  
 MUCV-8/B/S.9  
 (1:5,000)  
 Drilling Survey, Phase II  
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- Legend
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| <p>Asbestos formation</p> <p>KN </p> <p>Andalusite zone and androsphaerite zone</p> <p>KVa </p> <p>Androsphaerite zone and pyrochloite</p> <p>KTp </p> <p>Quartz = calcareous pebbles</p> | <p>Hydrothermal Alteration zone</p> <p>Th </p> <p>Intensely silicified zone</p> <p>Ths </p> <p>Quartz cemented zone</p> <p>Thc </p> <p>Siliceous argillite zone</p> <p>Tha </p> <p>Chalky sand (Fertilizer zone)</p> <p>Thf </p> | <p>Microzonation</p> <p>Leptaite and jarosite rich zone</p> <p>Fault (locus line shows inferred fault)</p> <p>Fracture zone</p> <p>Geologic contact</p> |
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400 000E

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Legend

- Asbestos formation
- Acidic lava and subvolcanic lava
- Andesitic tuff and pyroclastics
- Gneiss - amphibole parphy

- Multistage alteration zone
- Intensely etched zone
- Quartz enriched zone
- Silica enriched zone
- Chloritized zone (propylitized zone)

- Mineralization
- Limonite and jarosite rich zone
- Fault (broken line shows inferred fault)
- Fractured zone
- Geologic contact

Fig. II-1-2(4)

Geologic profile of the drill hole  
MUCV-10  
(1:6,000)

Drilling Survey, Phase 3  
Verogas Project, JICA/AMCU-ENAM

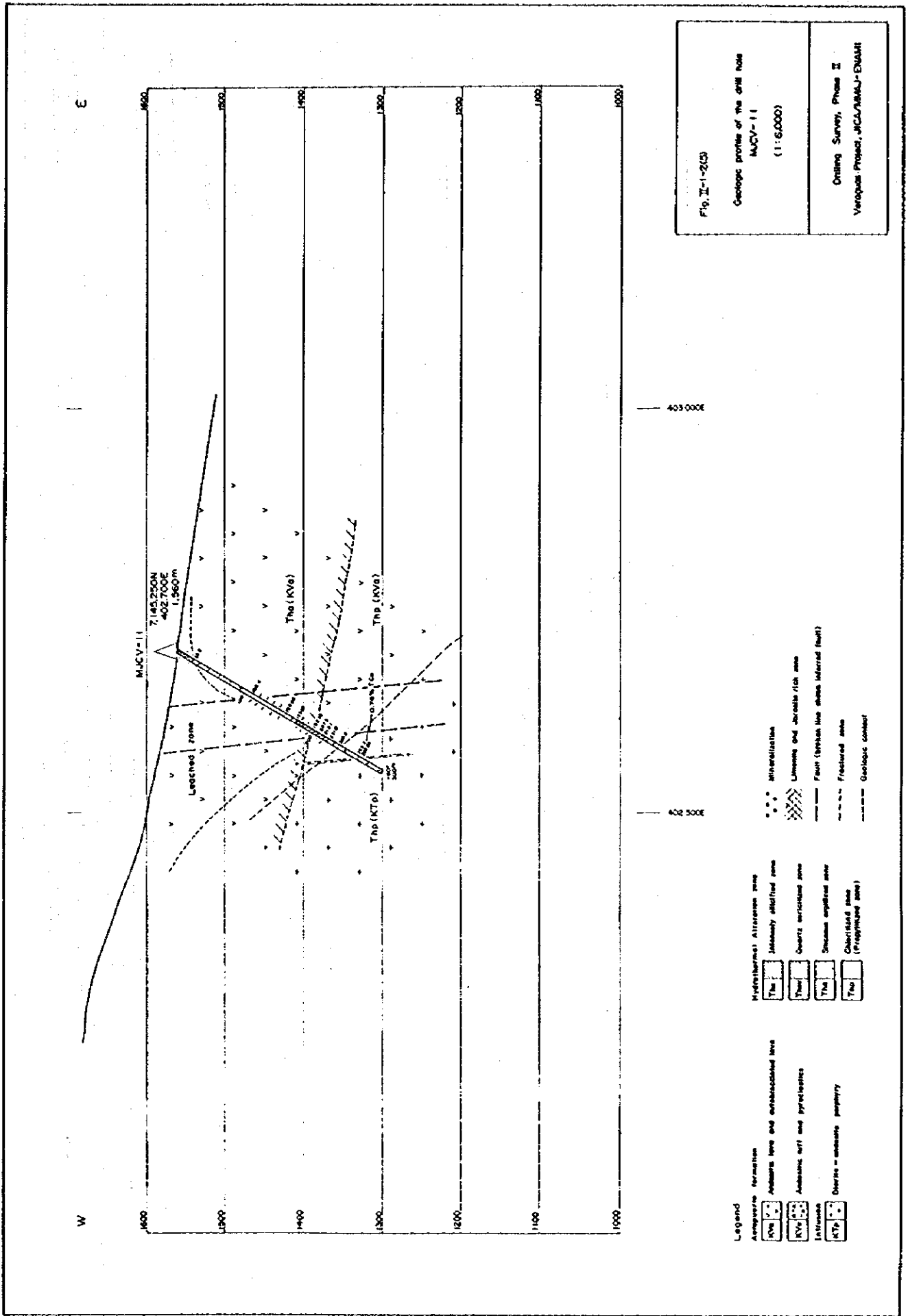


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Geologic profile of the drill hole  
MUCV-11  
(1:6,000)  
Ordnance Survey, Phase II  
Varegas Project, JCSA/AMLU-ENHART

- Legend**
- Angiophyte formation**
- KVa Andalusite lens and metabasaltic lens
  - KVs Andalusite with iron pyroxenes
- Intrusion**
- KTo Quartz - calcic pegmatite
- Hydrothermal Alteration zone**
- The Silicified zone
  - The Silicified zone (Proposed zone)
  - The Silicified zone
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- Other features**
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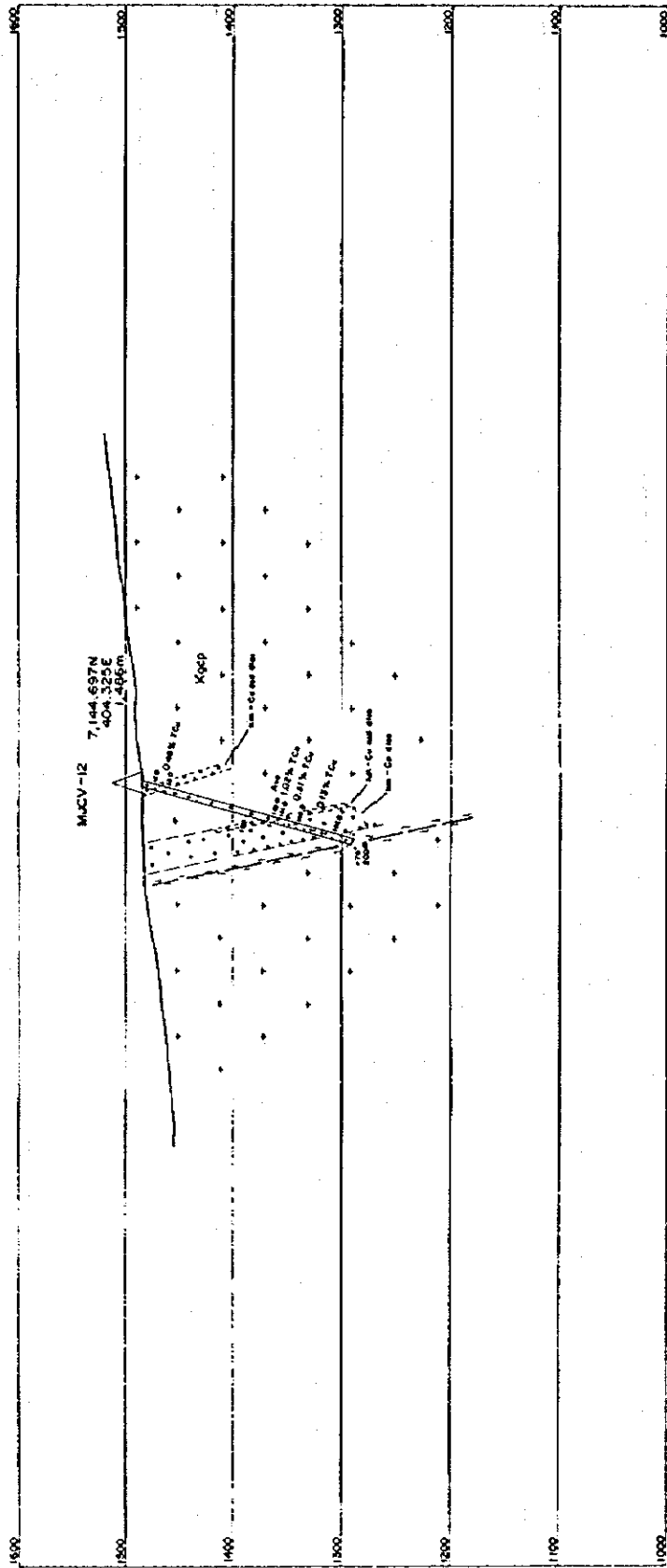


Fig. II-1-2(6)

Geologic profile of the drill hole  
MUCV-12  
(1:6,000)

Drilling Survey, Phase II  
Verdegas Project, JCA/ANNAJ-DNMM

- Legend
- Asesquiere formation
  - Adams lake and unbreached lake
  - Adams lake and pyroclastics
  - Overthrust
  - Overthrust
  - Hydrothermal Attention zone
  - Intensely altered zone
  - Quartz veinlet zone
  - Sulfur altered zone
  - Chalcedony zone (Propylitic zone)
  - Mineralization
  - Limonite and Jarosite rich zone
  - Fault (locus line shows altered fault)
  - Fractured zone
  - Geologic contact

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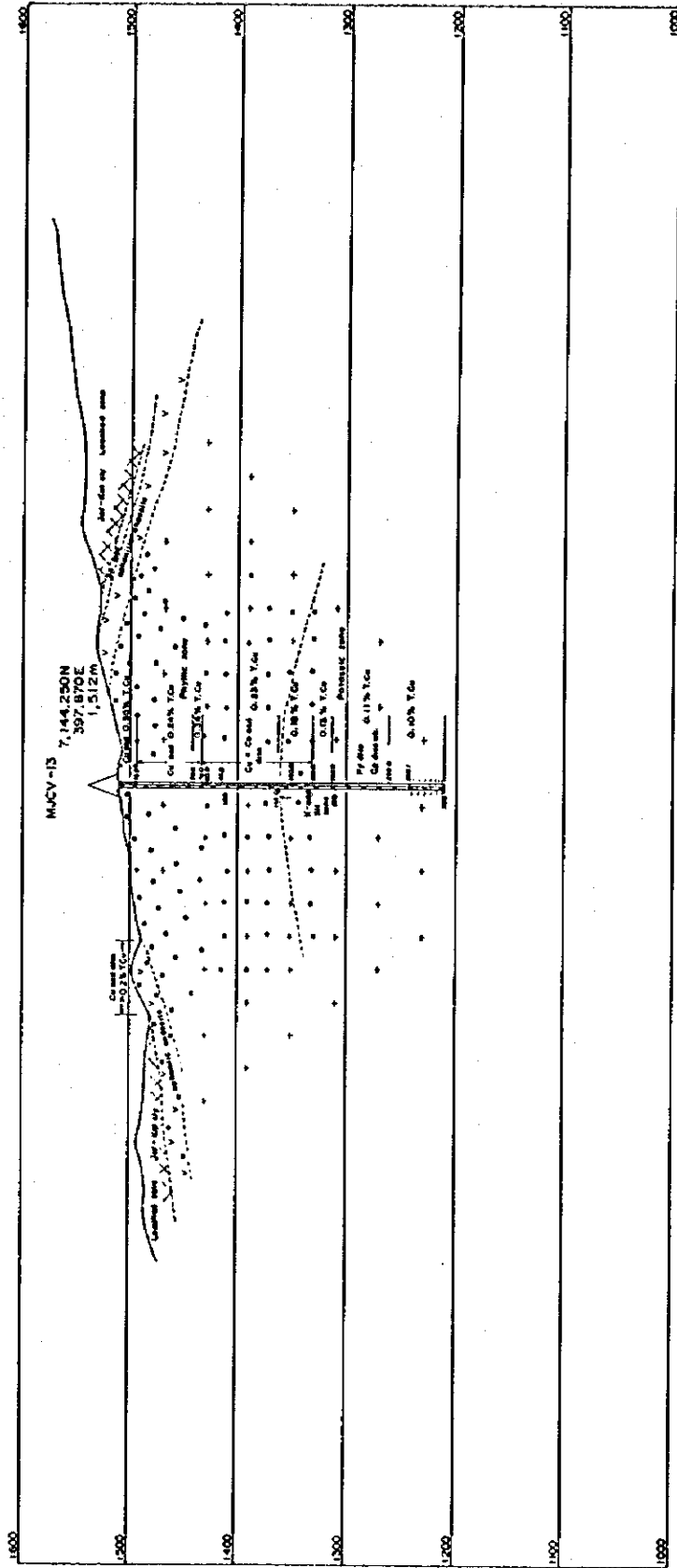


Fig. II-1-2(17)  
 Geologic profile of the drift hole  
 MUCV-13  
 (1:6,000)  
 Drilling Survey, Phase I  
 Varogues Project, JICA/MAMU-ENAMI

- Legend**
- Acropelite formation
    - [Symbol] Anomalous low and unaltered zone
    - [Symbol] Anomalous high and pyroclastics
  - Intrusion
    - [Symbol] Quartz-omacite porphyry
  - Hydrothermal Alteration zone
    - [Symbol] Iron-rich silicified zone
    - [Symbol] Quartz veinified zone
    - [Symbol] Siliceous impregnated zone
    - [Symbol] Chloritized zone (Propylitic zone)
  - Mineralization
    - [Symbol] Limestone and Jaramila rich zone
  - Fault (broken line shows inferred part)
    - [Symbol] Fractured zone
    - [Symbol] Geologic contact





Veraguas area Drill# MJCv-6 (Scale 1/2,000) (Depth:0 m -400 m)

Depth (m)	Geol Colm	Boun dary (m)	Fracture Jar	Py	Cu	Sil	Clay	AluK- add	ChlGyp	Remarks
12.0										jr>rh>kal fret clay
21.8										rh>jr>kal fret clay
49.0										kal>jr>rh fret clay
101.8	∨ ∨									purplish white m~c.g.meta-andesite kal m-st rh m alu flm wk
151.1	∨ ∨									purplish grey m.g.meta-andesite kal vst-st rh m-wk
168.2										
174.0	+									greyish white f~m.g.meta diorite porphyry
242.9	+									grey-dark grey f~n.g.meta diorite porphyry
258.0	+									grey-dark grey f~n.g.meta diorite porphyry
270.0	+									greenish grey f~m.g.meta diorite porphyry
280.0	+									greenish grey f~m.g.meta diorite porphyry
301.0	+									dark green f~m.g.meta diorite porphyry
318.0	+									dark green f~m.g.meta diorite porphyry
339.0	+									
362.0	+									Cp-Py diss
400.00										(400.00m END)

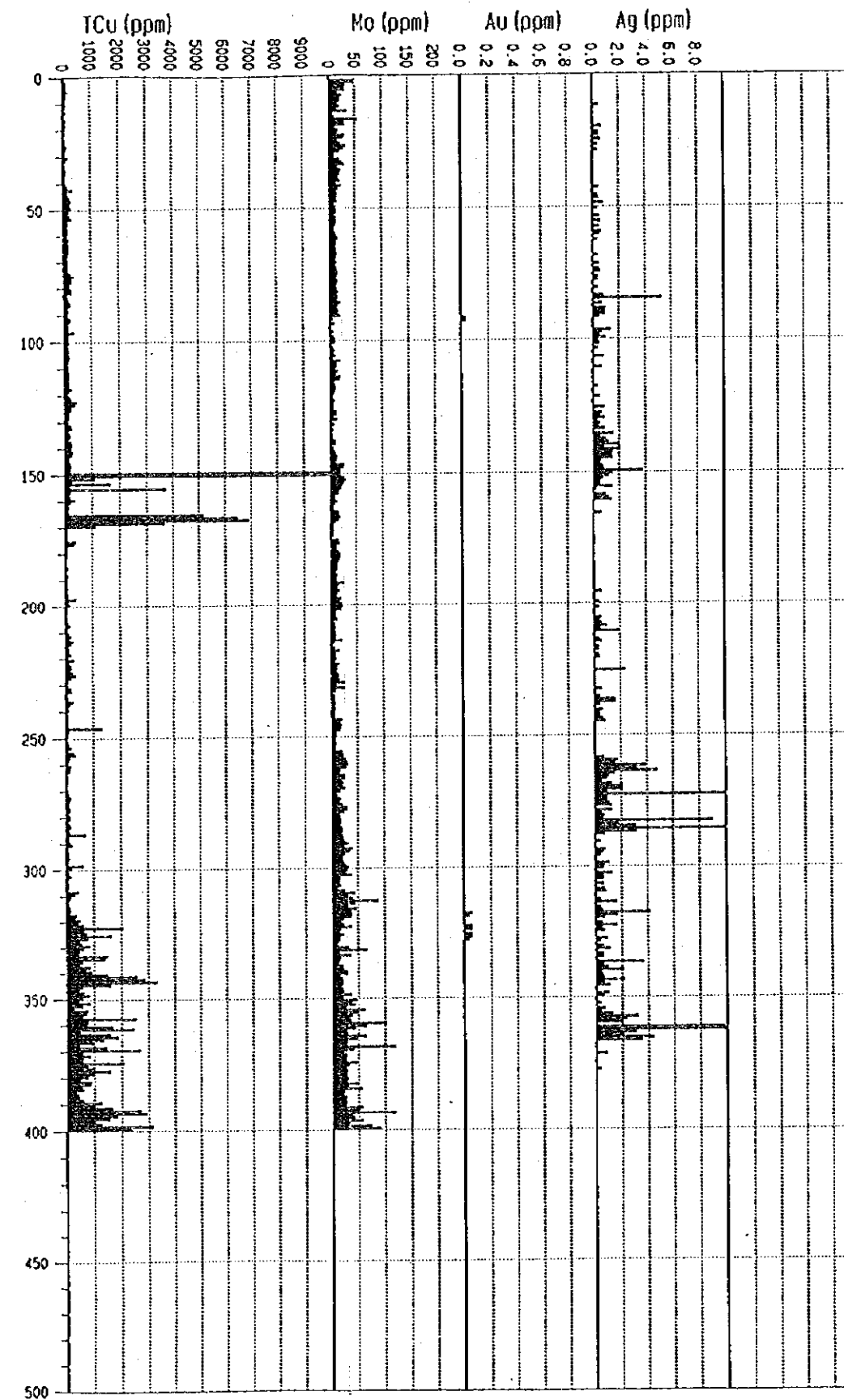


Fig.II-1-3(1) Synthetic column for MJCv-6 (1:2,000)





Veraguas area Drill# MJCv-7 (Scale 1/2,000) (Depth: 0 m - 450 m)

Depth (m)	Geol Column (m)	Boun dary (m)	Fracture (m)	Py Jar	Cu	Sil	Cl	AluK	Chl	Gyp	Remarks
		9.2									weathering frct zone
		37.4									purplish brown volcanic sandstone grading $\angle 15\sim 20^\circ$
		46.7									purplish brown andesitic pyroclastics
	∨ ∨										purplish green
	∨ ∨										c.g. vesicular porphyritic andesite
	∨ ∨	92.7									
100	△ ∇	93.4									purplish grey hm contaminated
	△ ∇	115.0									m~c.g. andesitic pyroclastics
	△ ∇	122.5									
	△ ∇	132.5									
	△ ∇	164.8									
	△ ∇	174.8									
	△ ∇	187.3									
200	△ ∇	192.3									
	∨ ∨	207.5									purplish green
	∨ ∨										c.g. porphyritic andesite
	∨ ∨										qtz+cal blebs vesicular chlorite including
	∨ ∨										
	∨ ∨	285.0									volcanic sandstone hm rich
300		286.3									white grey msv silicified rock
											dacite like gypsum network
		337.5									purplish f.g. andesite hm diss strong
		346.8									silicified f.g. andesite
	∨ ∨	350.3									whitish grey msv silicified rock
		362.2									purplish f.g. andesite, partly ps. bre.
	∨ ∨	368.3									purplish grey~white silicified f.g. andesite
	∨ ∨	375.7									purplish grey f.g. andesite, partly ps. bre.
	∨ ∨	384.6									purplish grey f~m.g. andesite, partly ps. bre.
400	∨ ∨	396.0									purplish grey ps. bre. f.g. andesite
	∨ ∨	407.0									purplish grey silicified m.g. andesite
											partly ps. bre.
	∨ ∨	424.5									purplish grey silicified f.g. andesite
	∨ ∨	434.8									purplish~greenish grey silicified
											& chloritized f.g. andesite
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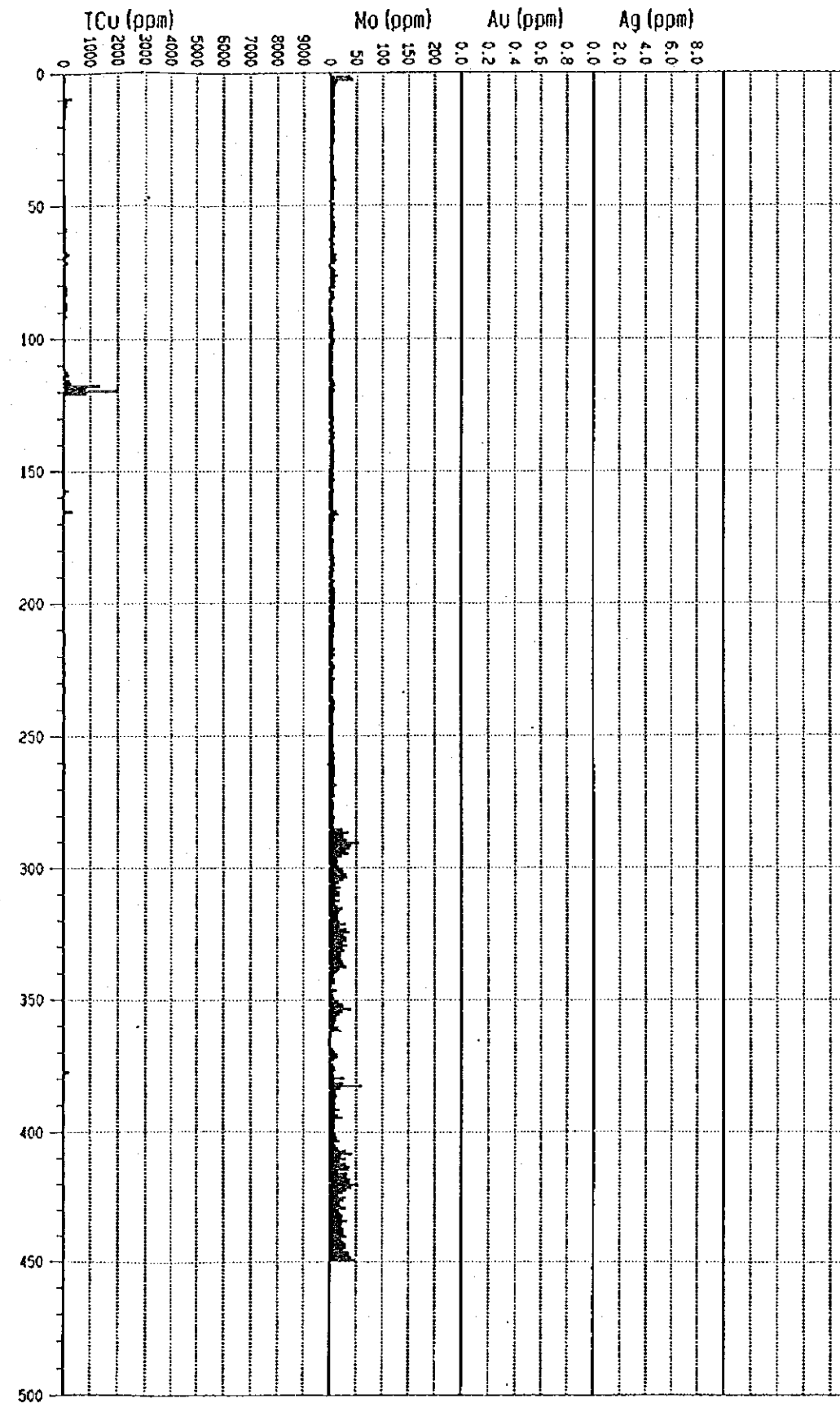


Fig. II-1-3(2) Synthetic column for MJCv-7 (1:2,000)



Veraguas area Drill#MJCv-8 (Scale 1/2000) (Depth:0 m -450 m)

Depth (m)	Geol Colm	Boudary (m)	Fracture Jar	Hm Jar	Py Jar	Cu Jar	Sil Jar	Clay Jar	Alu Jar	X Jar	Chl Jar	Gyp Jar	Remarks
5.3													Gravel
18.8													jar-rhm-kal clay fret
21.0	∨ ∨												silicified zone
42.0	∨ ∨												rhm>jar network kal>sil purplish grey f~m.g.partly ps.bre.meta-andesite
51.0													jar-rhm-kal clay
62.7	∨ ∨												rhm>jar diss~network kal>sil meta-andesite
62.7	∨ ∨												jar-n.jar rich clay
98.2	∨ ∨												r.hm>jar dis, network kal>sil purplish ~reddish grey f~m.g.ps.bre.meta-andesite
107.0	∨ ∨												purplish grey~brownish grey jar>n jar rich kal clay
147.4	∨ ∨												purplish white jar-kal f~m.g.ps.bre.meta-andesite fret jar-kal clay
180.5	+												purplish~greenish grey m.g.ps.bre.meta-porphry
180.5	+												greenish grey f~m.g.meta-diorite porphry
207.6	+												partly ps.bre.tex
207.6	+												pale greenish grey f~m.g.ps.bre.meta-diorite porphry
219.3	+												
230.9	∨ ∨												greenish grey~greyish white m.g.meta-andesite bleached m.g.ps.bre.meta-diorite porphry
266.0	+												greyish white bleached m.g.meta-diorite porphry partly ps.bre.tex
280.0	+												greenish grey m.g.ps.bre.meta-diorite porphry
330.3	+												// py-hm diss cal flm gyp flm wk
335.0	+												dark greenish grey f~m.g.ps.bre. meta-diorite porphry
340.1	+												dark greenish grey f~m.g.ps.bre.meta-diorite porphry
364.5	+												greenish grey f~m.g.ps.bre.meta-diorite porphry
403.0	+												dark greenish grey f.g.afanitic meta-diorite porphry
408.9	+												greenish grey, partly bleached f.g.meta-diorite porphry f.g.meta-diorite porphry partly ps.bre. tex
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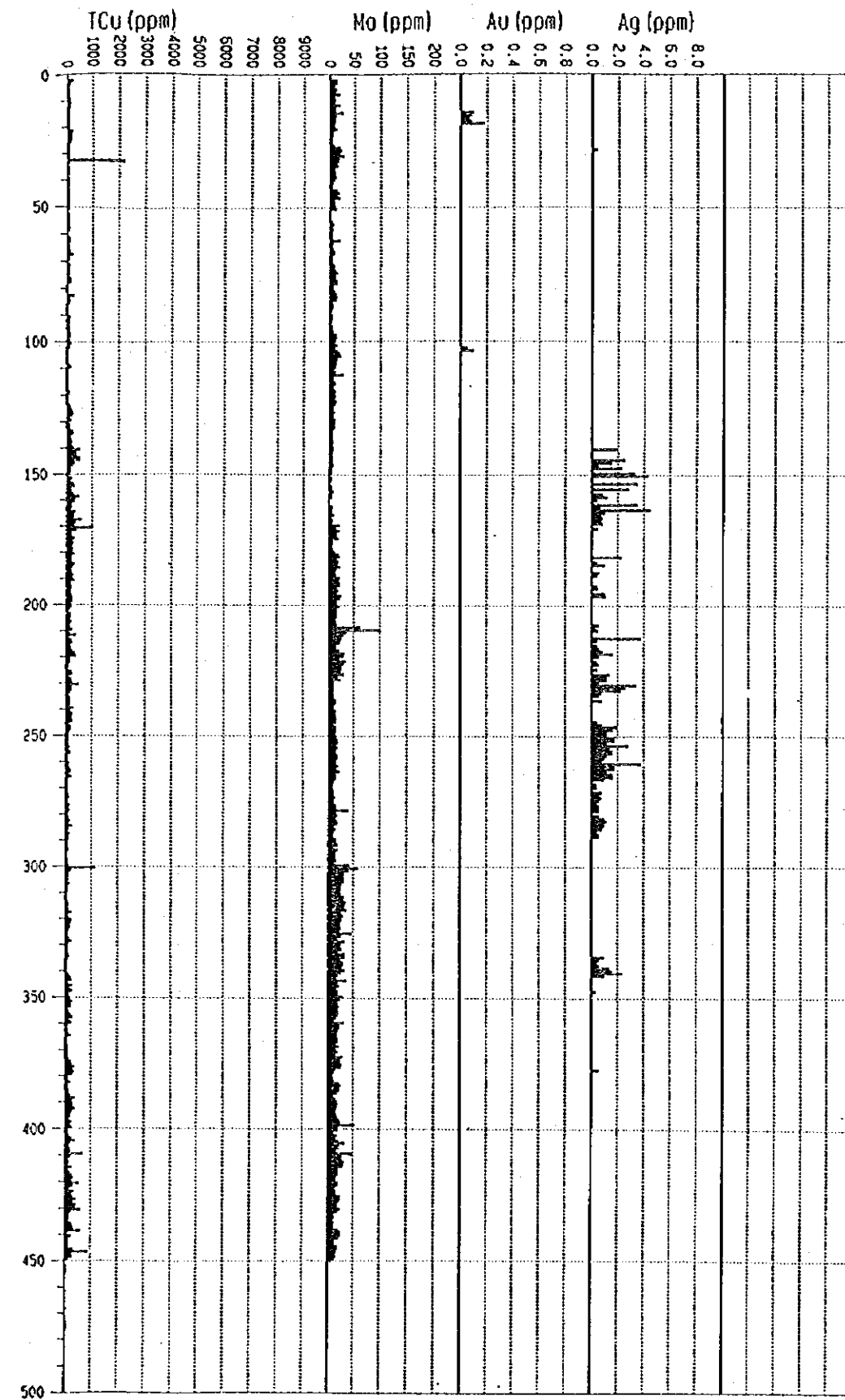


Fig.II-1-3(3) Synthetic column for MJCv-8 (1:2,000)



Veraguas area Drill#MJCv-9 (Scale 1/2000) (Depth:0 m -450 m)

Depth (m)	Geol Col	Boundary (m)	Fracture	Py Jar	Cu	Sil	Clay	Alu	K-add	Chl	Gyp	Remarks
		19.5										none core
		28.5										Cu oxide diss (29.4~30.5) frct kal clay
		37.8										semifret~compact kal clay
		44.2										frct brownish~purplish grey kal clay
												semifret brownish~purplish grey jar-hm-kal clay
												frct " "
												frct hm-kal-chl
												frct jar-hm-kal clay
100												frct purplish grey jar-hm-kal clay
		123.0										frct purplish~brownish grey jar-hm-kal clay
		130.5										
		178.5										frct~semifret brownish grey jar-hm-kal clay
200		200.0										frct
		223.5										frct powdering purplish grey hm-jar rich
		232.0										clay f~m.g.andesite relic
		248.5										(248.50m END)
300												
400												
500												

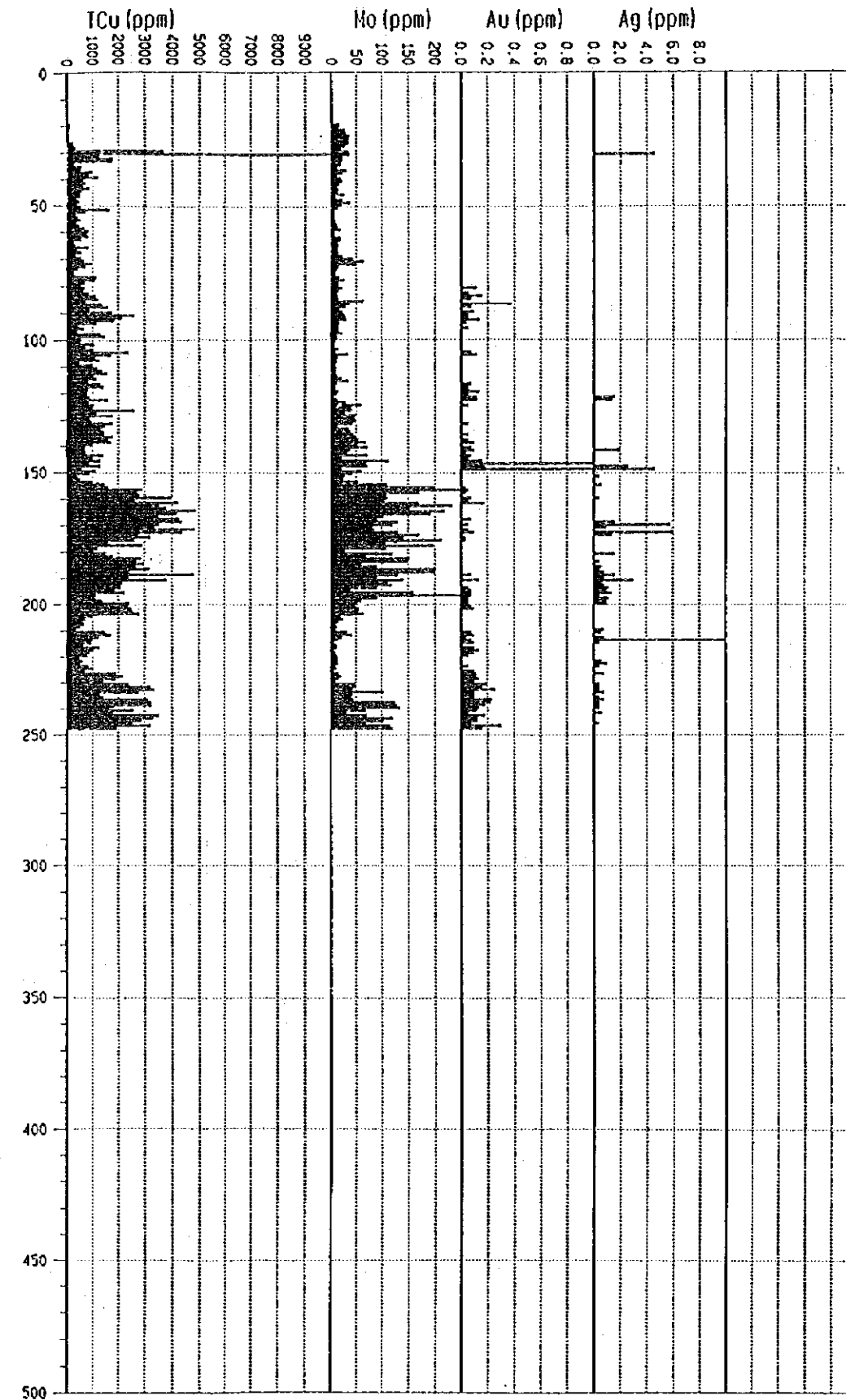


Fig.II-1-3(4) Synthetic column for MJCv-9 (1:2,000)



Veraguas area Drill#MJCv-10 (Scale 1/2000) (Depth:0 m -450 m)

Depth (m)	Geol Colm	Boun dary (m)	Frac ture	Py Jar	Co Qz	Sil	Clay	AluK add	ChlGyp	Remarks
		3.0								none core
		18.0								kal clay frct zone
	∨ ∨									greyish white, partly purplish m.g.ps.bre.meta-andesite
	∨ ∨	49.2								brownish grey jar-kal clay
	∨ ∨	54.0								purplish grey m.g.ps.bre. meta-andesite
	+ +	60.5								pale greenish grey f~m.g.meta-diorite porphry
100	∨ ∨	90.2								pale greenish grey m.g.meta-andesite
	∨ ∨	99.2								semifrct pale greenish grey~grey
	∨ ∨									m.g.ps.bre.andesite
	+ +	121.5								compact greenish grey m.g.ps bre meta-diorite porphry
	∨ ∨	130.3								greenish f.g meta-andesite
	+ +	142.0								semifrct whitish grey m.g.ps.bre.meta-diorite porphry
	+ +	150.0								frct zone whitish grey kaolinized
	∨ ∨	169.0								semifrct whitish grey~greenish grey m.g.ps.bre.meta-
	∨ ∨	175.5								compact~semifrct greenish grey m.g.ps.bre andesite
200	∨ ∨	192.2								meta-andesite
	∨ ∨									semifrct~frct
	∨ ∨									greenish grey m.g.ps.bre meta-andesite
	+ +	220.0								semifrct whitish grey m.g ps.bre.
	+ +	235.5								meta-diorite porphry
	+ +									compact~semifrct whitish grey m.g.ps.bre
	+ +									meta-diorite porphry
	+ +	264.5								compact
	+ +									whitish grey bleached f~m.g.ps.bre.meta
	+ +									-diorite porphry
300		294.0								drk green~greenish grey f.g.afanitic andesitic latite(dyke)
		300.0								(300.00m END)
400										
500										

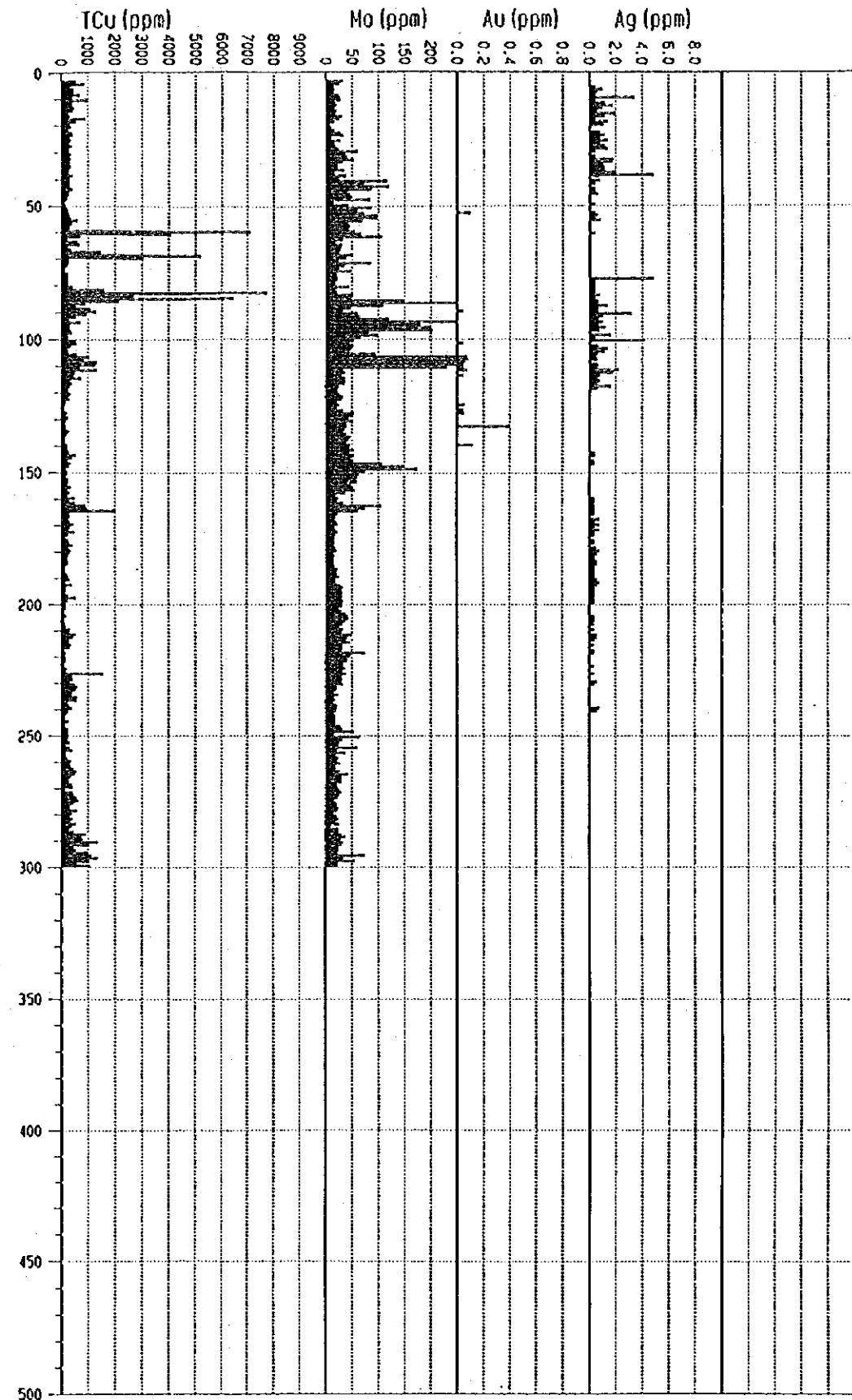


Fig.II-1-3(5) Synthetic column for MJCv-10(1:2,000)





Veraguas area Drill#MJCv-11 (Scale 1/2000) (Depth:0 m -450 m)

Depth (m)	Geol Coln	Boun dary (m)	Fracture Jar	Py	Cu	Sil	Clay	Alu	K	Chl	Gyp	Remarks
2.0												none core
23.8												frct~semifrcr purplish brown jar-njar-kal clay
71.0	∨ ∨ ∨ ∨ ∨											brownish~pale greenish white kaolinized f~m.g.ps.bre.meta-andesite
108.4	∨ ∨											brownish grey~white kaolinized f~m.g. ps.bre.meta-andesite
160.0	∨ ∨											frct~semifrcr jar-njar-kal clay
173.1	∨ ∨											compact~semifrcr brownish~purplish grey f~m.g.meta-andesite
199.1	∨ ∨											frct~semifrcr purplish grey f~m.g. meta-andesite
207.5	∨ ∨											frct~semifrcr greenish~purplish grey f.g. meta-andesite
213.1	∨ ∨											frct rhm-kal clay
221.7	∨ ∨											semifrcr greenish~purplish grey f.g. meta-andesite
235.9	+											greenish white f~m.g. meta-porphry
265.2	+											265.2~266.85 Py-Cov-Cc-Qz-Calcite
266.9	+											
300	+											(300.00m END)

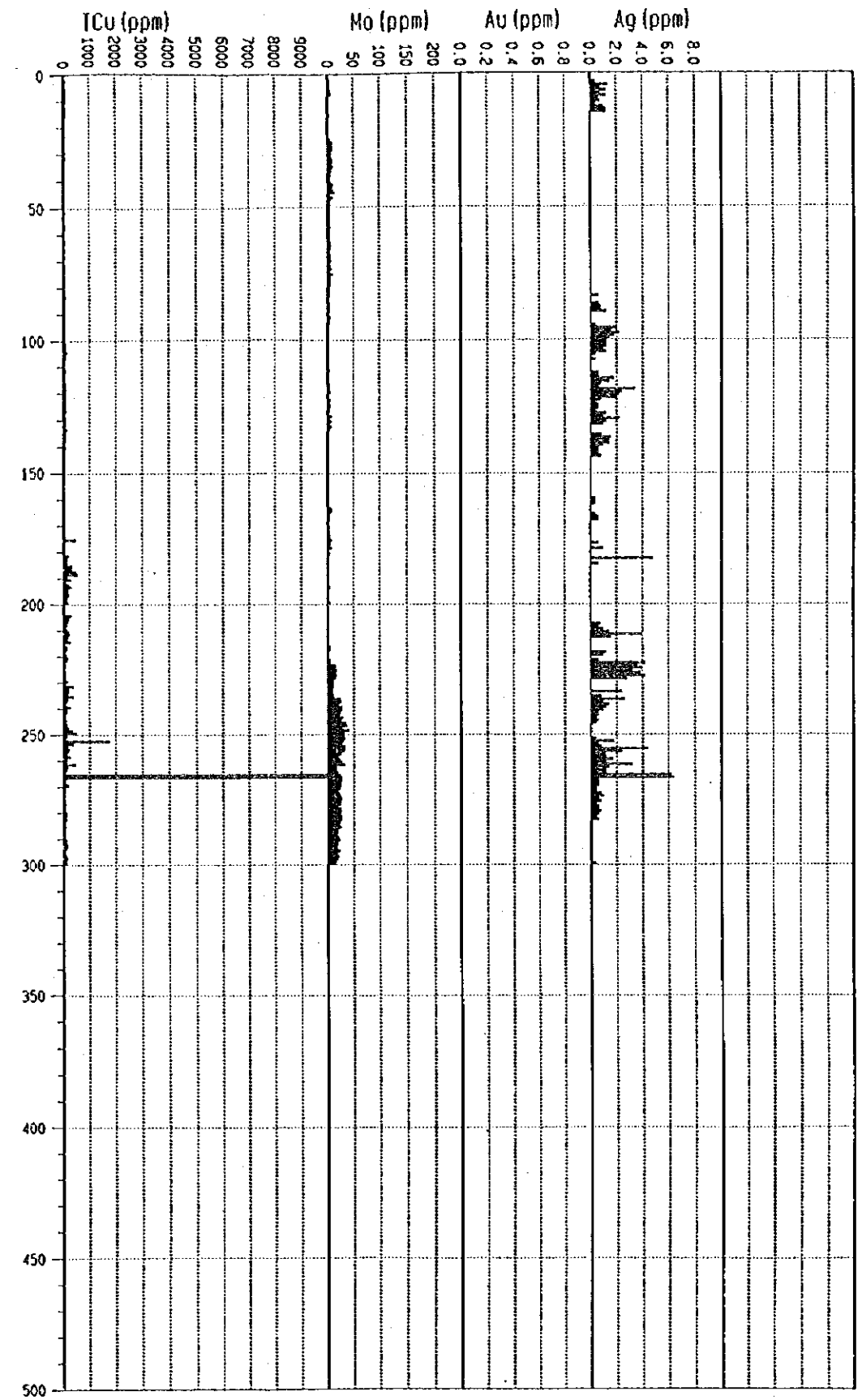


Fig.II-1-3(6) Synthetic column for MJCv-11(1:2,000)



Veraguas area Drill#MJCv-12 (Scale 1/2000) (Depth:0 m -450 m)

Depth (m)	Geol Colm	Boudary (m)	Fracture	hm Cu	Cp Py	KalChlEpiGypCalSil	Remarks
			Jar	oxd		Qz	
3.0	+	+					none core
12.7	+						semifrc greenish white f.g.diorite
17.5	+						calcite-Cu oxd network,metallic hm flm~network
	+						green f.g.diorite chl>epi Cu oxd in frct
	+						fracture metallic hm diss~flm
53.9	+						greenish grey f.g.diorite Jar-metallic hm diss~fine flm rich
60.9	+						greenish grey chl~epi rich partly banded
	+						f~m.g.diorite
88.8~89.95	+						frct Cu oxd diss rich
89.9	+						greenish chl>epi f~m.g.diorite, metallic hm diss m~wk
	+						Cu oxd wk~v.wk diss
111.0	+						greenish chl>epi f.g.diorite,metallic hm diss wk Cu oxd nore
124.3	+						metallic hm diss~flm rich Cu oxd diss~contani infront
131.0	+						dark green f.g.diorite chl=epi rich
	+						Cp-Py diss with metallic hm flm
	+						
	+						
172.0	+						dark green f.g.diorite chl>epi Cp-Py diss wk
178.4	+						dark green f.g.diorite m.hm diss wk
	+						frct
	+						(200.00m END)

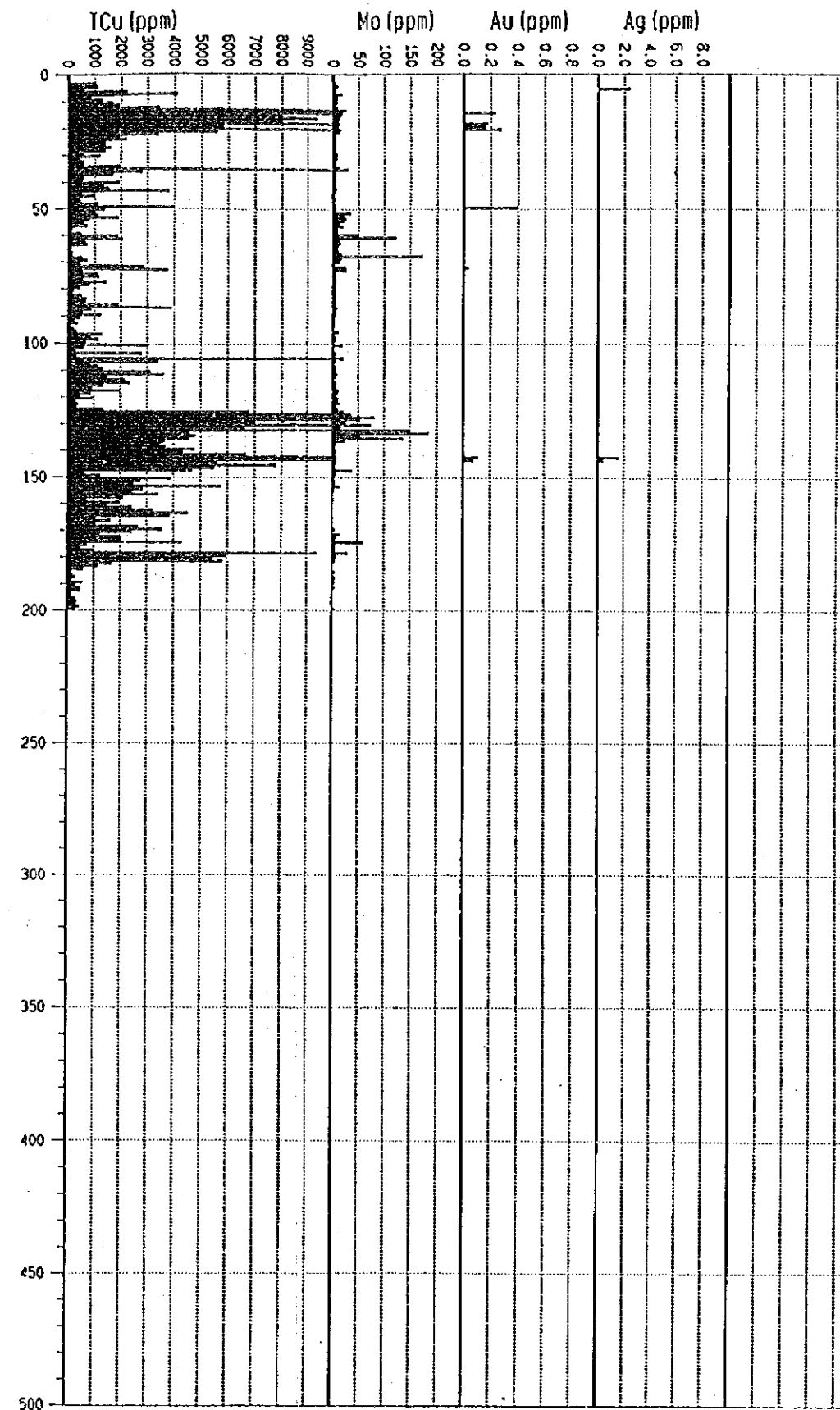


Fig.II-1-3(7) Synthetic column for MJCv-12(1:2,000)



Veraguas area Drill#MJCv-13 (Scale 1/2000) (Depth:0 m -450 m)

Depth (m)	Geol Column	Boudary (m)	Frac ture	Ja	Cu oxd	Cu sul	Py	Kal	Chl	SilK- Qz add	Gyp	Cal	Remarks
1.5													purplish~brownish grey jar>kal gyp network
16.9													Lixivated zone Cu oxd diss rich
26.8													brownish green~dark green m.g.diorite porphry chl rich gyp
50.0													brownish~greenish grey m.g.diorite porphr network st jar-chl>kal gyp-jar network lime rich
70.0													greenish grey m.g.diorite porphry, weakly alteration
78.0													Cu oxd diss wk in gyp flm jar chl gyp flm wk
100													greenish f~m.g.diorite porphry gyp network rich metallic hm diss
125.6													green f~m.g.diorite porphry gyp network rich native copper diss~fine flm m~st
149.0													Cu oxd diss in gyp network and frct metallic hm diss
180.0													weakly sil-k-add alteration
185.6													greenish~brownish grey f~m.g.diorite porphry sil-k-add alteration, native copper
198.5													diss~fine flm m~wk Cu oxd diss in frct
210.0													brownish green jar-rhm rich
221.0													greenish~brownish grey f~m.g.diorite porphry metallic hm diss
268.1													greenish grey f~m.g.diorite porphry
274.0													Limonitized brownish sil-chl dacitic porphry pseudo brecciated tex.
290.2													greenish grey f.g.diorite porphry Py-m hm-limo diss~flm Py>Cp diss
300													v.frct zone (powdering)
400													frct zone Py diss wk jar-chl-sil
500													greenish grey f.g.diorite porphry chl-sil
													(300.00m END)

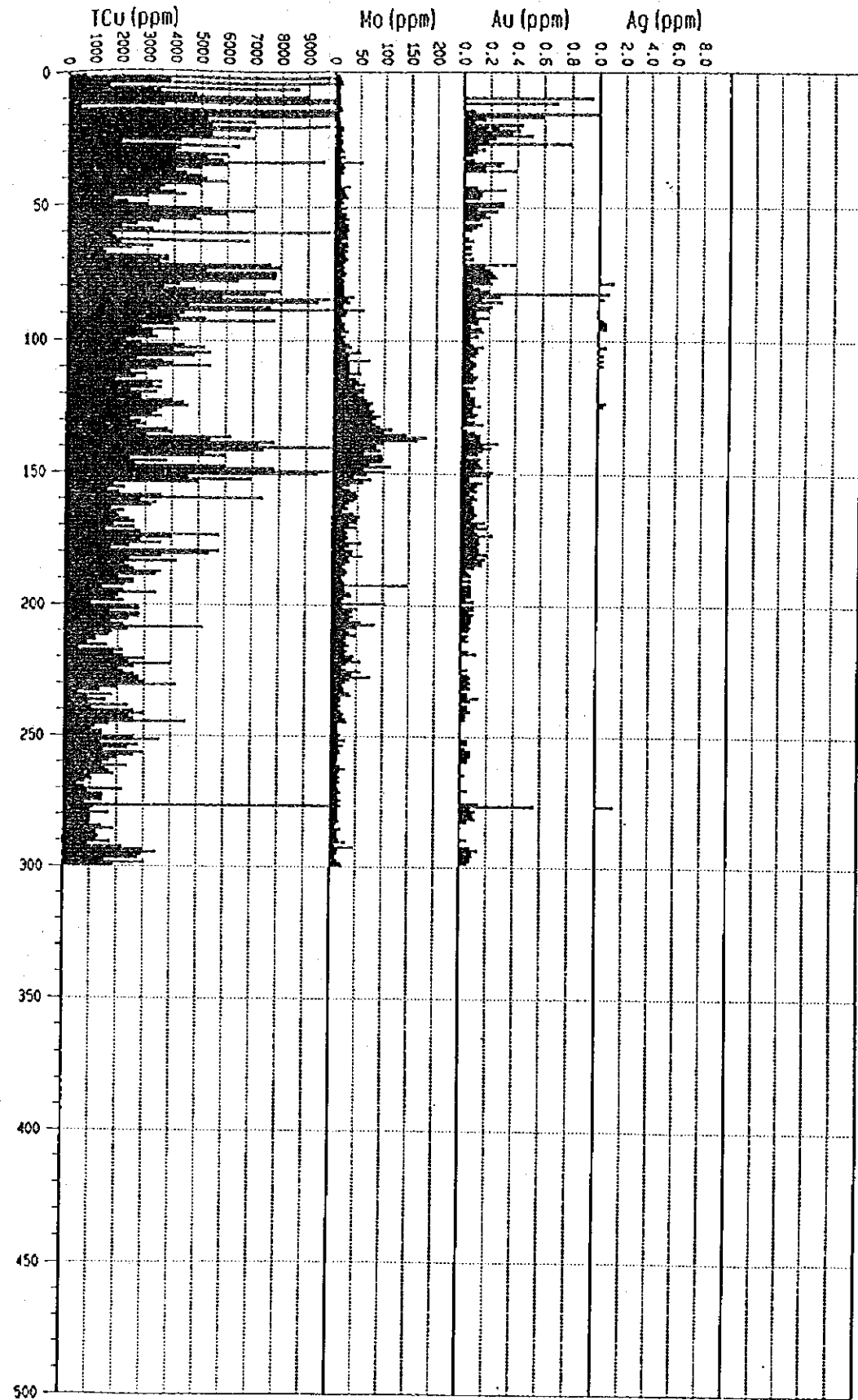


Fig II-1-3(8) Synthetic column for MJCv-13(1:2,000)









Table II-1-7 Results of the microscopic observation (Polished section)

Samples				Opaque minerals														
No. Drill Hole	Depth (m)	Original Rock	Remarks	Py	Cu ox	Cp	Bo	Cv	Cc	Cu	wt%	by point counter	Mt	Hm	Il	wt%	by point counter	
						μ	μ	μ	μ	μ	μ	μ	μ	μ	μ	μ	μ	μ
1	MVCV-13	16.0	Di-Porp.			5-15												
2	MVCV-13	78.4	Di-Porp.			10-20												
3	MVCV-13	95.9	Di-Porp.			5-10	10											
4	MVCV-13	98.8	Di-Porp.			<10	<10											
5	MVCV-13	123.9	Di-Porp.															
6	MVCV-13	126.6	Di-Porp.															
7	MVCV-13	129.4	Di-Porp.															
8	MVCV-13	134.1	Di-Porp.															
9	MVCV-13	135.9	Di-Porp.															
10	MVCV-13	140.5	Di-Porp.															
11	MVCV-13	143.0	Di-Porp.															
12	MVCV-13	147.0	Di-Porp.															
13	MVCV-13	152.0	Di-Porp.															
14	MVCV-13	159.5	Di-Porp.															
15	MVCV-13	181.3	Di-Porp.															
16	MVCV-13	225.0	Di-Porp.															

[abundance]  
 ◎:abundant  
 ○:common  
 Δ:minor  
 ·:rare

\* Di-Porp. : Diorite Porphyry

Py : pyrite  
 Cu ox : copper oxide  
 Cp : chalcopyrite  
 Bo : bornite  
 Cv : coveline  
 Cc : chalcocite  
 Cu· : native copper

Mt : magnetite  
 Hm : hematite  
 Il : ilmenite  
 gyp : gypsum  
 qz : quartz



Table II-1-8 Results of the powder X-ray diffraction (2)

Classification	Abbr.	Mineral Name	Chemical Formulas	No.	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32		
				Drill hole Depth (m)	32.4	80.0	140.0	174.5	215.6	276.1	331.0	375.5	450.0	500.0	98.0	225.1		
Cu	Sulphide	Tet	Tetrahedrite	Cu <sub>12</sub> Sb <sub>4</sub> S <sub>13</sub>														
		Cc	Chalcosine	Cu <sub>2</sub> S														
		Djr	Diuriteite	Cu <sub>3</sub> S <sub>16</sub>														
		Ena	Enargite	Cu <sub>3</sub> As <sub>5</sub> S <sub>4</sub>														
		Cv	Covelite	CuS														
		Cp	Chalcocopyrite	Cu <sub>2</sub> FeS <sub>2</sub>														
	Metal	Cu	Native copper	Cu														
		Cln	Chalcanthite	Cu(SO <sub>4</sub> )·5H <sub>2</sub> O														
	Sulfate	Ant	Antrelite	Cu <sub>3</sub> (SO <sub>4</sub> )(OH) <sub>4</sub>														
		Bro	Brochantite	Cu <sub>4</sub> (SO <sub>4</sub> )(OH) <sub>6</sub>														
	Carbonate	Az	Azurite	Cu <sub>3</sub> (CO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>														
		Ma	Malaquite	Cu <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>														
		Atc	Atacamite	Cu <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> (OH) <sub>3</sub>														
	Others	Lam	Lamprite	Cu(AsO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>														
		Cic	Clinoclase	Cu <sub>3</sub> (AsO <sub>4</sub> )(OH) <sub>3</sub>														
		Qm	Qmexite	Cu <sub>2</sub> Fe <sub>2</sub> (AsO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub> ·H <sub>2</sub> O														
Chr		Chrysocopa	Cu <sub>2</sub> ·xSi <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (OH) <sub>3</sub> /xH <sub>2</sub> O															
Fe	Oxide & Hydroxide	Ht	Hematite	Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>		△	△											
		Mgh	Magnetite	Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub>														
		Mt	Magnetite	Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub>														
		Akg	Akaganeite	FeO(OH)														
		Fex	Ferrosulphate	Fe <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>6</sub>														
		Goe	Goethite	FeO(OH)														
	Sulphide	Po	Pyrrhotite	Fe <sub>7</sub> S <sub>8</sub>														
		Apy	Arsenopyrite	FeAsS														
		Py	Pyrite	FeS <sub>2</sub>														
		Jar	Jarosite	(K, Na)Fe <sub>3</sub> (SO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>6</sub>														
	Sulfate	Na-Jar	Na-jarosite	(K, Na)Fe <sub>3</sub> (SO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>6</sub>														
		Btl	Butlerite	Fe(SO <sub>4</sub> )(OH)·2H <sub>2</sub> O														
		Prb	Parabutterite	Fe(SO <sub>4</sub> )(OH)·2H <sub>2</sub> O														
		Crj	Kornelite	Fe(SO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> ·7H <sub>2</sub> O														
		Rzn	Rozenite	Fe(SO <sub>4</sub> )·4H <sub>2</sub> O														
		Sdr	Siderotil	Fe(SO <sub>4</sub> )·5H <sub>2</sub> O														
Scr		Scorodite	Fe(AsO <sub>4</sub> )·2H <sub>2</sub> O															
Fml		Ferrinolite	Fe <sub>2</sub> (MoO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> ·nH <sub>2</sub> O															
Others	Pbk	Pseudobrookite	Fe <sub>2</sub> (TiO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>															
	Prt	Pseudorutile	Fe <sub>2</sub> (TiO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>															
Silicate	Silica	Oz	Quartz	SiO <sub>2</sub>		⊙	⊙	⊙	⊙	⊙	⊙	⊙	⊙	⊙	⊙	⊙	⊙	
		Chm	Chamosite	(Fe, Al, Mg) <sub>6</sub> (Si, Al) <sub>40</sub> O <sub>10</sub> (OH) <sub>8</sub>														
	Clay	Chl	Chlorite	(Mg, Fe, Al) <sub>12</sub> (Fe, Al, Si) <sub>80</sub> O <sub>20</sub> (OH) <sub>16</sub>														
		Dck	Dickite	Al <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (OH) <sub>4</sub>														
		Kal	Kaolinite	Al <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (OH) <sub>4</sub>														
		Nac	Nacrite	Al <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (OH) <sub>4</sub>														
		Hal	Halloysite	Al <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (OH) <sub>4</sub> ·2H <sub>2</sub> O														
		Pyr-tc	Pyrophyllite-talc	Al <sub>2</sub> (Mg, Fe)Si <sub>4</sub> O <sub>10</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>														
		Mus	Muscovite	K·Al <sub>2</sub> (Si <sub>3</sub> Al) <sub>2</sub> O <sub>10</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub> F <sub>2</sub>														
		Ill	Illite	K·Al <sub>2</sub> (Si <sub>3</sub> Al) <sub>2</sub> O <sub>10</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub> F <sub>2</sub>														
		Mnt	Montmorillonite	Na <sub>0.3</sub> (Al, Mg) <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>4</sub> O <sub>10</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub> ·xH <sub>2</sub> O														
		Others	Olg	Oligoclase	(Na, Ca)(Al, Si) <sub>4</sub> O <sub>8</sub>													
	Ab		Albite	(Na, Ca)(Al, Si) <sub>4</sub> O <sub>8</sub>														
	Or		Orthoclase	(K, Na)(Al, Si) <sub>4</sub> O <sub>8</sub>														
	Mic		Microcline	KAlSi <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub>														
	Ho		Hornblende	(Na, K)Ca <sub>2</sub> (Fe, Mg) <sub>5</sub> (Al, Si) <sub>8</sub> O <sub>22</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>														
	Di		Dipside	CaMg(SiO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>														
	Trm		Tremolite	Ca <sub>2</sub> (Mg, Fe) <sub>5</sub> (SiO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>														
	Act		Actinolite	Ca <sub>2</sub> (Mg, Fe) <sub>5</sub> (SiO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>														
	Rie		Riebeckite	(Na, Ca) <sub>2</sub> (Mg, Fe) <sub>5</sub> (SiO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>														
	Bt		Biotite	K(Mg, Fe) <sub>2</sub> (Al, Si) <sub>3</sub> O <sub>10</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>														
	Ep		Epidote	Ca <sub>2</sub> (Al, Fe) <sub>3</sub> (SiO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>														
	Zeolite		Hap	Hydroxypophyllite	KCa <sub>4</sub> Si <sub>8</sub> O <sub>20</sub> (OH) <sub>8</sub> ·8H <sub>2</sub> O													
Gz			Gismondite	CaAl <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>8</sub> ·4H <sub>2</sub> O														
Mrd		Mordenite	(Ca, Na <sub>2</sub> , K <sub>2</sub> )Al <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>10</sub> O <sub>24</sub> ·7H <sub>2</sub> O															
Sulfate	Alu	Alunite	(K, Al) <sub>3</sub> (SO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>6</sub>															
	Na-Alu	Na-alunite	(K, Na) <sub>3</sub> (SO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>6</sub>															
	Btl	Butlerite	Fe(OH)SO <sub>4</sub> ·2H <sub>2</sub> O															
	Bld	Bloedite	Na <sub>2</sub> Mg(SO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ·H <sub>2</sub> O															
	Gl	Glauberite	Na <sub>2</sub> Ca(SO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>															
	Bas	Bassanite	Ca(SO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>0.5</sub> H <sub>2</sub> O															
	Anh	Anhydrite	Ca(SO <sub>4</sub> )															
Mn	Gyp	Gypsum	Ca(SO <sub>4</sub> )·2H <sub>2</sub> O															
	Pr	Pyrolusite	MnO <sub>2</sub>															
	Br	Braunite	Mn <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>4</sub>															
	Crp	Cryptomelane	K <sub>2</sub> Mn <sub>8</sub> O <sub>16</sub>															
	Gro	Grothite	MnO(OH)															
	Cal	Calcite	CaCO <sub>3</sub>															
Carbonate	Dol	Dolomite	CaMg(CO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>															
	Kut	Kutnohorite	Ca(Mg, Mn)(CO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>															

Abundance: ⊙ : abundant ○ : common △ : minor . : rare

Table II-1-8 Results of the powder X-ray diffraction (3)

Classification	Abbr.	Mineral Name	Chemical Formulas	No.	Drill hole Depth (m)													
					33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46
Cu	Sulphide	Tet	Tetrahedrite	Cu <sub>12</sub> Sb <sub>4</sub> S <sub>13</sub>														
		Cc	Chalcosine	Cu <sub>2</sub> S														
		Djt	Djurleite	Cu <sub>3</sub> Si <sub>6</sub>														
		Ena	Enargite	Cu <sub>3</sub> As <sub>4</sub> S <sub>4</sub>														
		Cv	Covellite	CuS														
	Metal	Cp	Chalcocopyrite	CuFeS <sub>2</sub>														Δ
		Cn	Native copper	Cu														
	Sulfate	Gln	Chalcanthite	Cu(SO <sub>4</sub> )·5H <sub>2</sub> O														
		Ant	Antlerite	Cu <sub>3</sub> (SO <sub>4</sub> )(OH) <sub>4</sub>														
	Carbonate	Brc	Brochantite	Cu <sub>4</sub> (SO <sub>4</sub> )(OH) <sub>6</sub>														
		Az	Azurite	Cu <sub>3</sub> (CO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>														
	Others	Mq	Malacite	Cu <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>														
		Atc	Atacamite	Cu <sub>2</sub> Cl(OH) <sub>3</sub>														
		Lam	Lammerite	Cu(AsO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>														
		Clc	Clinochlore	Cu <sub>3</sub> (AsO <sub>4</sub> )(OH) <sub>3</sub>														
		Chn	Chenevixite	Cu <sub>2</sub> Fe <sub>2</sub> (AsO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub> ·H <sub>2</sub> O														
		Chr	Chrysocolla	Cu <sub>2</sub> -xSi <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (OH) <sub>3</sub> /xH <sub>2</sub> O														
		Fe	Ht	Hematite	Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>				Δ									
	Oxide & Hydroxide	Mgh	Magnetite	Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub>														
Mt		Magnetite	Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub>															
Akg		Akaganeite	FeO(OH)															
Frx		Ferrosulphate	Fe <sub>2</sub> (OH)															
Goe		Goethite	FeO(OH)															
Po		Pyrrhotite	Fe <sub>7</sub> S <sub>8</sub>															
Apy		Arsenopyrite	FeAsS															
Sulphide	Py	Pyrite	FeS <sub>2</sub>															
	Jar	Jarosite	(K, Fe <sub>3</sub> )(SO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>6</sub>															
	Na-Jar	Natrojarosite	(K, Na)Fe <sub>3</sub> (SO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>6</sub>															
	Btl	Butlerite	Fe(SO <sub>4</sub> )(OH)·2H <sub>2</sub> O															
	Prb	Parabutlerite	Fe(SO <sub>4</sub> )(OH)·2H <sub>2</sub> O															
	Crl	Kornelite	Fe(SO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> ·7H <sub>2</sub> O															
	Rzn	Rozenite	Fe(SO <sub>4</sub> )·4H <sub>2</sub> O															
	Sdr	Siderofil	Fe(SO <sub>4</sub> )·5H <sub>2</sub> O															
	Scr	Scorodite	Fe(AsO <sub>4</sub> )·2H <sub>2</sub> O															
	Fml	Ferrimolybdate	Fe <sub>2</sub> (MoO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> ·nH <sub>2</sub> O															
	Pbk	Pseudobrookite	Fe <sub>2</sub> (TiO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>															
Prt	Pseudorutile	Fe <sub>2</sub> (TiO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>																
Silicate	Silica	Oz	Quartz	SiO <sub>2</sub>	⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗
		Chm	Chamosite	(Fe, Al, Mg) <sub>6</sub> (Si, Al) <sub>4</sub> O <sub>10</sub> (OH) <sub>8</sub>														
		Chl	Chlorite	(Mg, Fe, Al) <sub>12</sub> (Fe, Al, Si) <sub>8</sub> O <sub>20</sub> (OH) <sub>16</sub>														
		Dck	Dickite	Al <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (OH) <sub>4</sub>														
		Kal	Kaolinite	Al <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (OH) <sub>4</sub>														
		Nac	Nacrite	Al <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (OH) <sub>4</sub>														
		Hal	Halloysite	Al <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (OH) <sub>4</sub> ·2H <sub>2</sub> O														
		Pyr-Tc	Pyrophyllite-Talc	Al <sub>2</sub> MgSi <sub>4</sub> O <sub>10</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>														
		Mus	Muscovite	K <sub>2</sub> Al <sub>2</sub> (Si <sub>3</sub> Al) <sub>2</sub> O <sub>10</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>														
		Ill	Illite	K <sub>2</sub> Al <sub>2</sub> (Si <sub>3</sub> Al) <sub>2</sub> O <sub>10</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>														
		Mnt	Montmorillonite	Na <sub>0.3</sub> (Al, Mg) <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>4</sub> O <sub>10</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub> ·xH <sub>2</sub> O														
	Others	Olg	Oligoclase	(Na, Ca)(Al, Si) <sub>4</sub> O <sub>8</sub>														
		Ab	Albite	(Na, Ca)(Al, Si) <sub>4</sub> O <sub>8</sub>														
		Or	Orthoclase	(K, Na)(Al, Si) <sub>4</sub> O <sub>8</sub>														
		Mic	Microcline	KAlSi <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub>														
		Ho	Hornblende	(Na, K)Ca <sub>2</sub> (Fe, Mg) <sub>5</sub> (Al, Si) <sub>8</sub> O <sub>22</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>														
		Dip	Diposide	CaMg(SiO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>														
		Trm	Tremolite	Ca <sub>2</sub> (Mg, Fe) <sub>5</sub> Si <sub>8</sub> O <sub>22</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>														
		Act	Actinolite	Ca <sub>2</sub> (Mg, Fe) <sub>5</sub> Si <sub>8</sub> O <sub>22</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>														
		Rie	Riebeckite	(Na, Ca) <sub>2</sub> (Mg, Fe) <sub>5</sub> Si <sub>8</sub> O <sub>22</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>														
		Bt	Biotite	K(Mg, Fe) <sub>2</sub> Al <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>3</sub> O <sub>10</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>														
Zeolite	Ep	Epidote	Ca <sub>2</sub> (Al, Fe) <sub>3</sub> Si <sub>3</sub> O <sub>12</sub> (OH)															
	Hap	Hydroxypophyllite	KCa <sub>4</sub> Si <sub>8</sub> O <sub>20</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub> ·8H <sub>2</sub> O															
	Gz	Gismondite	CaAl <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>8</sub> ·4H <sub>2</sub> O															
	Mrd	Mordenite	(Ca, Na <sub>2</sub> , K <sub>2</sub> )Al <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>10</sub> O <sub>24</sub> ·7H <sub>2</sub> O															
	Alu	Alunite	(K)Al <sub>3</sub> (SO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>6</sub>															
	Na-Alu	Natroalunite	(K, Na)Al <sub>3</sub> (SO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>6</sub>															
	Btl	Butlerite	Fe(OH)SO <sub>4</sub> ·2H <sub>2</sub> O															
Sulfate	Bld	Bloedite	Na <sub>2</sub> Mg(SO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ·H <sub>2</sub> O															
	Gl	Glauberite	Na <sub>2</sub> Ca(SO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>															
	Bas	Bassanite	Ca(SO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>0.5</sub> H <sub>2</sub> O															
	Anh	Anhydrite	Ca(SO <sub>4</sub> )															
	Gyp	Gypsum	Ca(SO <sub>4</sub> )·2H <sub>2</sub> O															
	Pr	Pyrolusite	MnO <sub>2</sub>															
	Mn	Br	Braunite	Mn <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>4</sub>														
Crp		Cryptomelane	K <sub>2</sub> Mn <sub>8</sub> O <sub>16</sub>															
Gro		Grothite	MnO(OH)															
CaI		Calcite	CaCO <sub>3</sub>															
Carbonate	DoI	Dolomite	CaMg(CO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>															
	Kut	Kutnohorite	Ca(Mg, Mn)(CO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>															

Abundance: ⊗ : abundant ○ : common Δ : minor · : rare



## 1.4 Considerations

### 1.4.1 Geology and Mineralizing Alteration

Using the data from the 8 holes, a total of 2,648.5m of boring carried out in this phase, drilling profiles and synthetic columns were drawn up, and these were used to study the connections between geological structure, mineralization and alteration effects.

#### 1. Sierra Overa District

This district is made up of andesitic volcanic rocks with intrusive diorite-andesite porphyry, both of which have undergone intense hydrothermal alteration. The district has fractures running in a N-S and NW-SE direction, and it may be considered that these fractures acted as channels for the porphyry intrusion. In particular, the porphyry stock striking NW-SE and ranging in width from 100 to 200m is exposed on the northwest side of the foot of the Sierra Overa. In this district the surface stratum and along the above-mentioned fractures forms a leached zone 10 to 200 m thick made up of a strongly silicified zone, a quartz-sericitized zone and a siliceous argillized zone with strong concentrations of jarosite and reddish hematite. The lower part of the leached zone is divided into a siliceous argillized zone and a chloritized zone. The chloritized zone shows marked pyrite dissemination, and may be further divided from the top down into a siliceous argillized-chloritized zone, chloritized zone, silicified-chloritized zone and silicified-potassium feldspar-chloritized zone. From the mineral association in these zones, the first three may be considered to correspond to the phillitic, and the last one to the potassic, zone of porphyry copper deposit alteration classification by Lowell and Guilbert (1970). In the northwestern hillside of the Sierra Overa, the aphanitic andesite and diorite porphyry are accompanied by mineralization containing copper oxides, native copper, chalcopyrite and small amounts of covellite, chalcocite and bornite. The mineralization relates to the alteration as shown below.

Depth	Cu mineral	Cu ave.	max.	Au ppm	Alteration
0- 17m	atacamite/brochantite	0.55%	1.24%	0.20	siliceous argillized-chloritized
17- 10m	atacamite/brochantite	0.24	1.12	0.14	chloritized
10- 18m	atacamite/brochantite	0.34	0.40	0.21	chloritized
18-149m	Cu <sup>+</sup> atacamite-azurite	0.23	0.66	0.13	chloritized
149-180m	Cu <sup>+</sup> atacamite-azurite	0.18	0.52	0.13	silicified-chloritized-potash feldspar
180-198m	atacamite-azurite	0.14	0.21	0.09	silicified-chloritized-potash feldspar
198-250m	chalcopyrite	0.11	0.26	<0.04	silicified-chloritized-potash feldspar
250-300m	chalcopyrite	0.10	0.55	<0.04	silicified-chloritized-potash feldspar

In the phillitic zone 0-149m the T.Cu grade is >0.2% and the Au grade >0.1ppm, but below 149 m in the potassic zone the mineralization of both copper and gold tends to weaken. Native copper disseminate and film between 78-180.0m, and under microscopy small amounts of chalcopyrite and bornite are observable with native copper. In addition to the above-mentioned copper minerals, hematite and magnetite also occur throughout the hole. In places where native copper occurs hematite has not completely replaced magnetite, and the both associate together. In places where copper oxides are abundant, the replacement of magnetite by hematite is more advanced. From this, and from the stability relations of copper and iron compounds shown in Fig.II-1-4, native copper appears to have been formed as a secondary effect in an relative low Eh-high Ph environment in which there was no \*soluble oxygen\* when the primary copper sulfide minerals were resolved and dissolved; and that later, with the advance to an oxidizing environment copper oxides have been formed together with hematite and jarosite. If the environment had a somewhat lower Ph than that in which native copper has been formed, it is possible that covellite and chalcocite would be formed as secondary minerals.

As is shown in Fig.II-1-5, by MJCv-6 chalcopyrite dissemination was found in the potassic zone of the east of the Sierra Overa, and by MJCv-9 copper oxides dissemination was found in the leached zone of the north of the Sierra Overa, where the San Juan mine is located. Thus it may be expected that porphyry copper type deposits would be embedded under the leached zone that forms the Sierra Overa, and there is a need to continue further prospecting.

## **2. Cerro Veraguas District (MJCv-10,MJCv-11)**

This area is made up of andesite volcanics with intrusive diorite-andesite porphyry, both of which as in the Sierra Overa district have undergone intense hydrothermal alteration. The district has fractures running in a NE-SW and NW-SE directions, and it may be considered that these fractures acted as channels for the porphyry intrusion. In the east of the Cerro Veraguas, the mineralization made up of covellite and chalcocite in width 2m, has been found in the porphyry assumed to have intruded controlled by the NW-SE fracture. Thus it may be expected that small porphyry copper type deposits would be embedded in the eastern part of the Cerro Veraguas. However, in the district from the center to the west of the Cerro Veraguas, although drilling in the first year and this year revealed some mineralization in the range of 0.7% to 0.2%, the poor continuity suggests that widespread mineralization is not to be expected.

## **3. Pampa District: the Plain east of the Cerro Veraguas (MJCv-12)**

Quartz diorite stock, which NW-SE lineation is developed, is distributed over a range 2 x 2km. Copper oxide and chalcopyrite disseminate and film, accompanying hematite, chlorite, epidote, quartz and calcite in the quartz diorite. As shown in Fig.II-1-6, the mineralized zone is thought to be stockwork deposits controlled by the NW-SE structure.

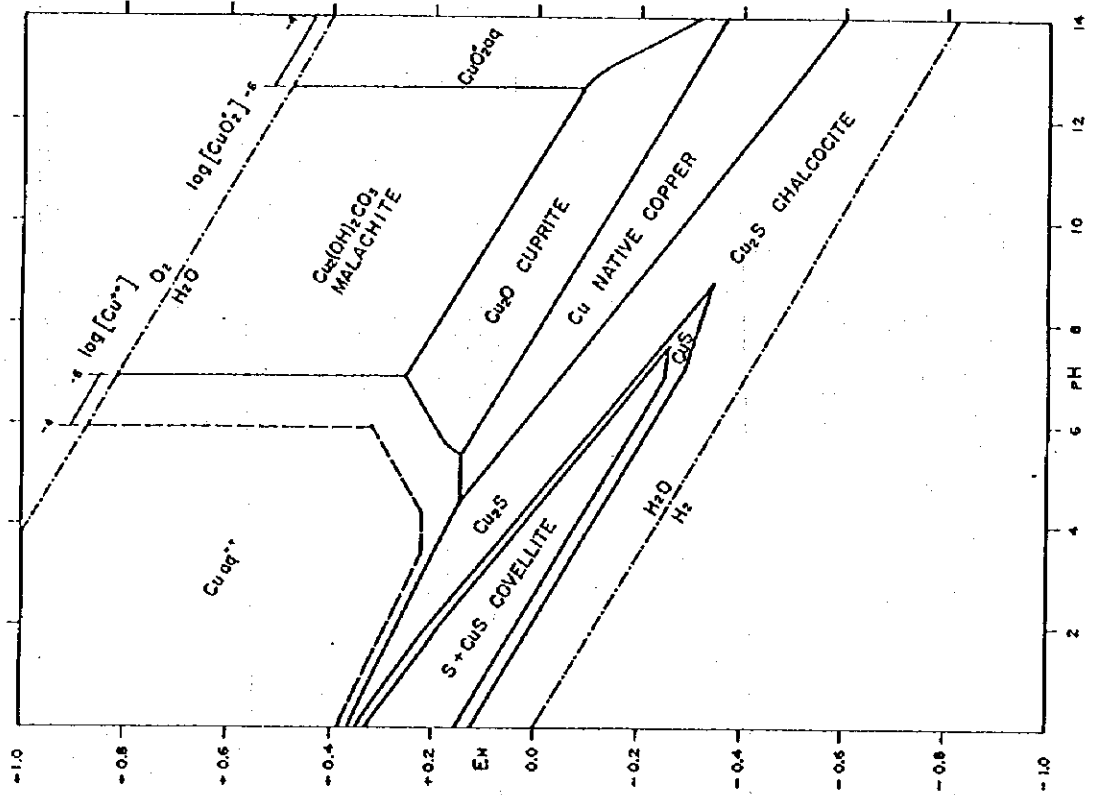


FIG. 7.27b. Stability relations among some copper compounds in the system  $\text{Cu-H}_2\text{O-O}_2\text{-CO}_2$  at 25 °C and 1 atmosphere total pressure.  $P_{\text{CO}_2} = 10^{-3.5}$ , total dissolved sulfur species  $\approx 10^{-2.1}$ . [Courtesy J. Anderson.]

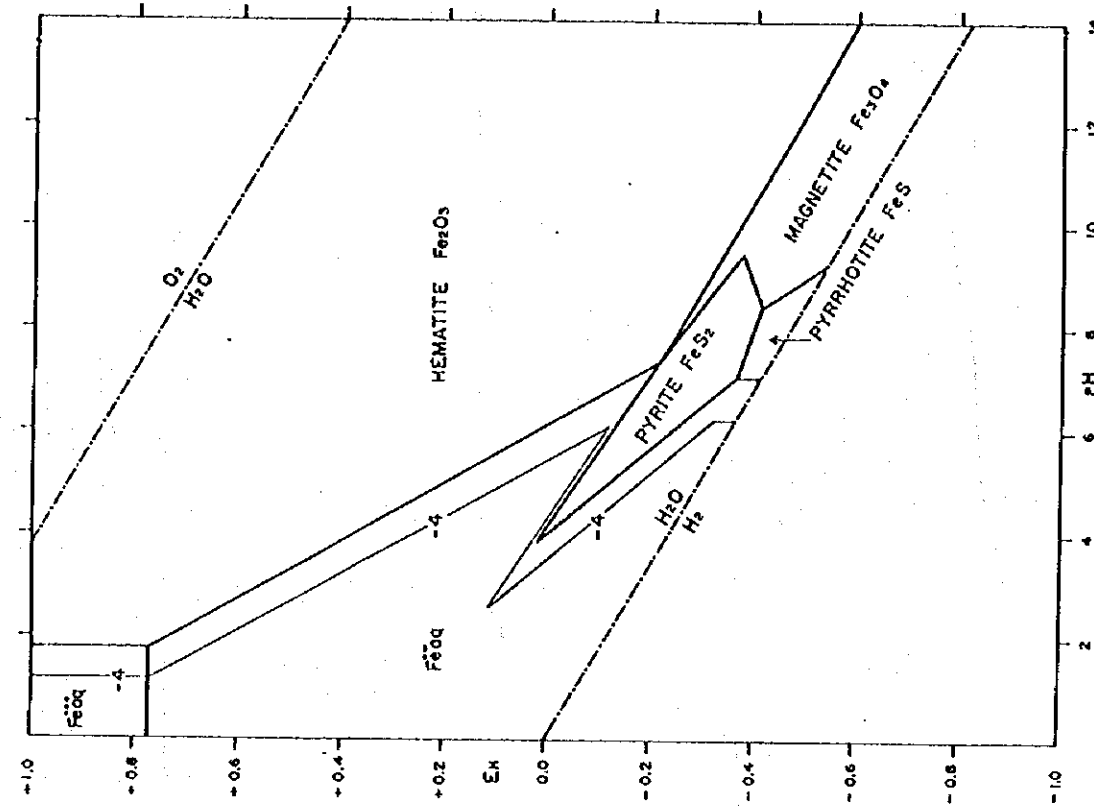
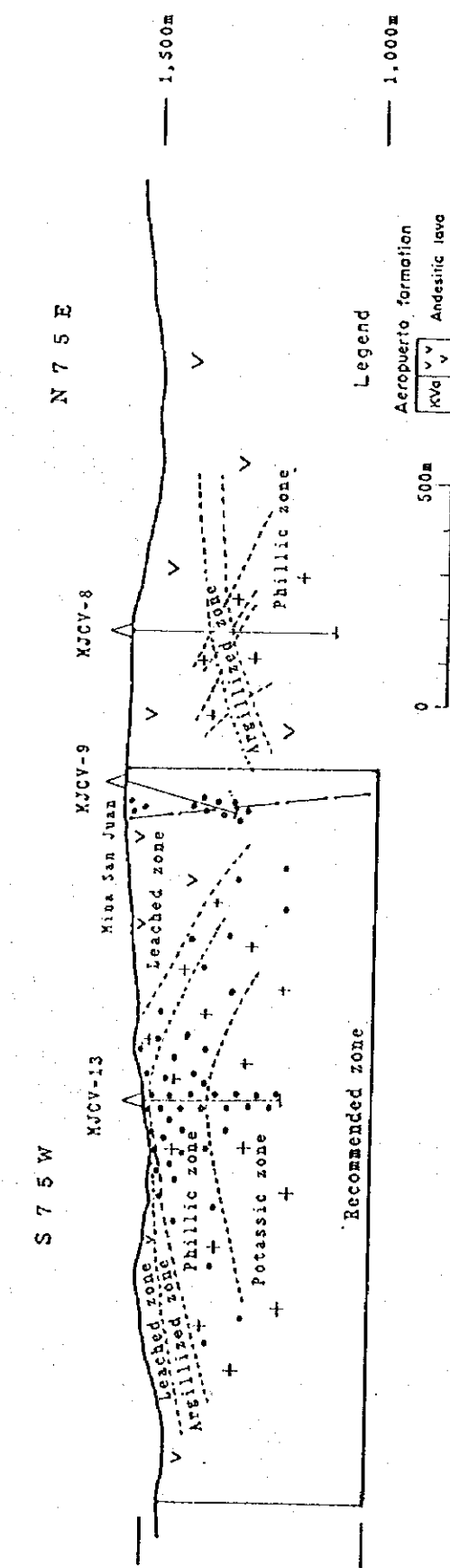
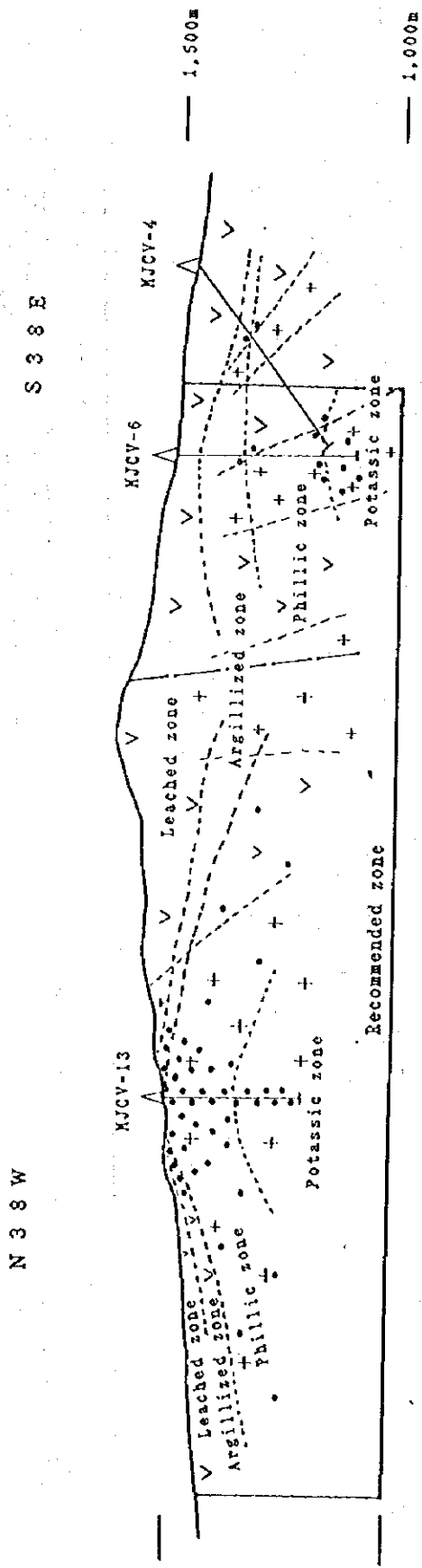


FIG. 7.20. Stability relations of iron oxides and sulfides in water at 25 °C and 1 atmosphere total pressure, when  $\Sigma S = 10^{-4}$ . Note shrinkage of sulfide boundaries and appearance of FeS as a stable phase at intermediate pH under strongly reducing conditions, as well as marked increase in the area of "acid solubility" over a wide range of Eh.

Fig.II-1-4 Stability relations of copper and iron compounds [Garrels and Christ, 1965]





- Legend
- Aeropuerto formation
    - KVc
    - V
  - Andesitic lava
    - V
  - Intrusion
    - KTp
    - +
  - Diorite porphyry
    - 
    - 
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  - Mineralization
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Fig II-1-5 Geologic profile of the Sierra Overa district

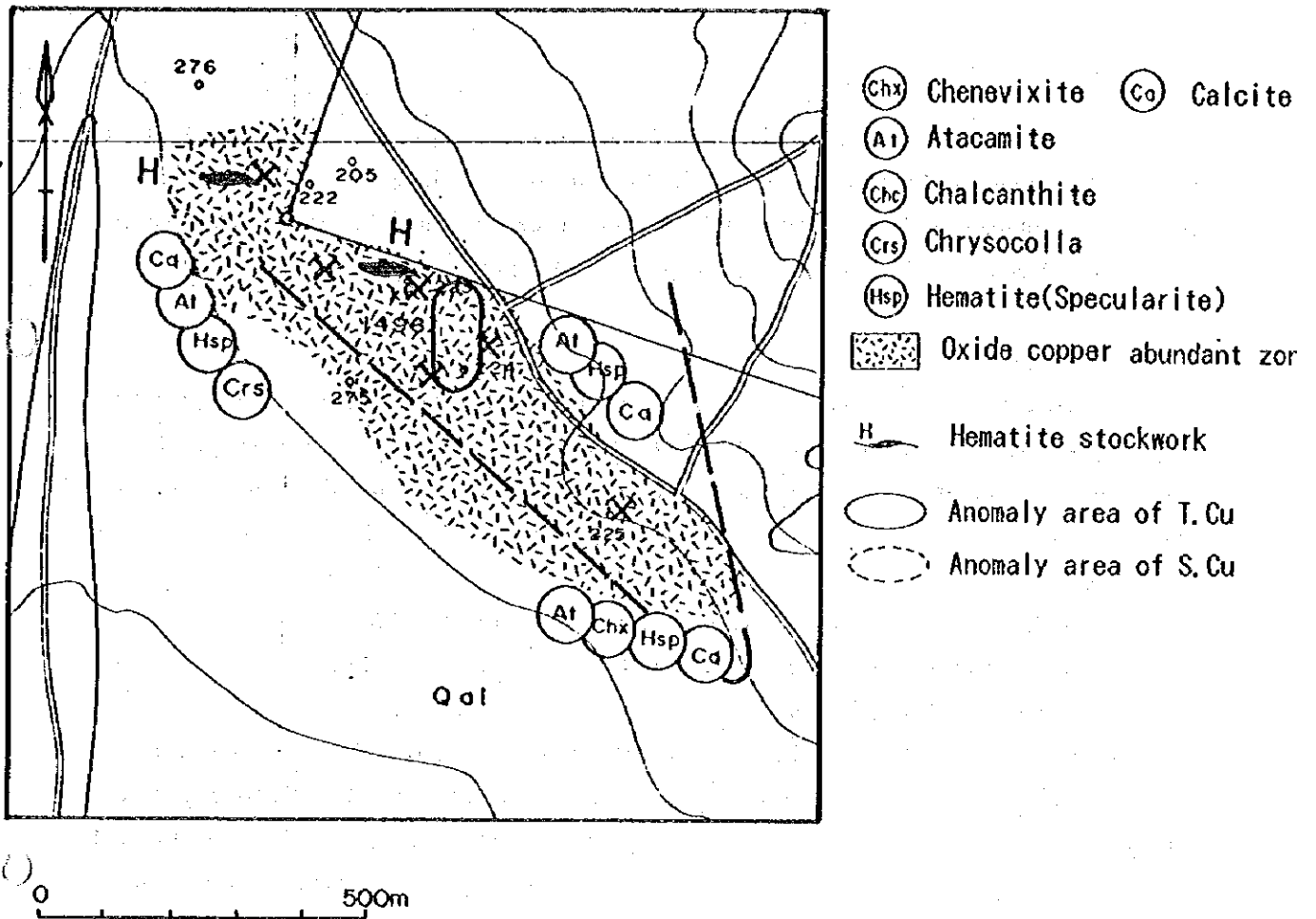


Fig.II-1-6 Geology of the Pampa district

The one or two kilometers between the Cerro Veraguas and the Pampa district are covered by alluviums and colluviums, and the border between the stock and the andesite volcanics of the Aeropuerto formation is not distinct. And the genetic relationship between the mineralization and the porphyry copper type mineralization is not apparent. These points should be further surveyed.

#### 1-4-2 K-Ar Dating

K-Ar Dating was carried out on three core samples. As shown in Table I-1-9, the samples are of diorite porphyry and quartz diorite that had undergone hydrothermal alteration accompanying copper mineralization. It is thought that the K-Ar ages indicate the period in which the mineralization alteration occurred.

The results are as follows;

Diorite porphyry(Sierra Overa east district)	: 104.0±2.0Ma
Diorite porphyry(Sierra Overa northwest district)	: 115.0±4.0Ma
Quartz diorite(Pampa District)	: 93.8±2.1Ma

1. K-Ar ages indicate them to be Cretaceous in age. The diorite porphyry of the Sierra Overa district has undergone either phillitic and potassic alteration, which displays the alteration pattern of porphyry copper deposits, while the quartz diorite of the Pampa district is characterized by chlorite, epidote and calcite, which displays the typical alteration of vein and stockwork type deposits found widely in the coastal cordillera ; but there is little difference in the period in which both underwent mineralizing alteration.

2. Since the K-Ar ages of the Grupo Plutonico Cerro del Pingo, which have a wide distribution over the coastal cordillera, indicate 109-121Ma (Naronjo et. al., 1984), the period of the mineralizing alteration corresponds roughly to that of the activity of the granitic magma.

3. The K-Ar ages of the porphyry copper deposits embedding along the Domeyko Cordillera in northern Chile indicate 30-40Ma (Olson, 1989), as shown in Fig. II-1-7.

Although the alteration pattern in the Sierra Overa district is similar to that of the porphyry copper deposits, the period in which the alteration has been formed differs from that of the porphyry copper deposits of the Domeyko Cordillera.

#### 1-4-3 Microprobe Quantitative Analysis

Microprobe analyses of the native copper grains or films have been made on the TN-5400 of Tracer Northern attached to the JXA-733 of JEOL at 20kv with an effective specimen current of  $2.50 \times 10^{-10}$  A. Take off angle is 40, beam diameter 0.0001mm, counting time 100s. The standards are Cu, Fe, Au, Ag and Ni metals. The apparent concentration was on line ZAF corrected, and normalized to the total=100%.

As shown in Table II-1-10, the samples are the native copper grains or films from the native copper

Table II-1-9 Results of the K-Ar dating

Sample Locality	Rock Type	Alteration T.Cu (ppm) S.Cu (ppm)	Mineralization Au (ppm) Ag (ppm) Mo (ppm)	POTASSIUM (K wt%)	Rad. 40Ar (10 <sup>-8</sup> cc/g)	K-Ar AGE (Ma)	ALR CONT. (%)	Average of K-Ar Age (Ma)
Sierra overa east district MJC-6 342.0-342.5m	diorite porphyry	qz-kf-ch 1430	py-cp dis. 0.6	3.78 ± 0.08	1583 ± 17 1549 ± 17	105 ± 2.0 103 ± 2.0	3.9 4.1	104 ± 2.0
Sierra overa northwest district MJC-13 143.5-144.0m	diorite porphyry	ch-qz-ab-bt-se-gp 3000	cu <sup>o</sup> -mt-hm <0.4	1.15 ± 0.03	536 ± 12	117 ± 4	48.8	115 ± 4
Pampa district MJC-12 145.0-145.5m	quartz diorite	ch-ep-qz-ab-cal 3890	py-cp-hm-ge <0.4	7.92 ± 0.16	2983 ± 32 2936 ± 32	94.5 ± 2.1 93.1 ± 2.1	4.3 4.4	93.8 ± 2.1

\* Dating was done on bulk samples by Mitsubishi Material Co., Ltd. Central Laboratory.

\* Decay Constant(after Steiger and Jaeger, 1977):

$$\lambda_e = 0.581 \times 10^{-10} / \text{yr}$$

$$\lambda_\beta = 4.962 \times 10^{-10} / \text{yr}$$

\* <sup>40</sup>K content in K : <sup>40</sup>K/K = 0.01167 atom %

\* Error estimation was done after Nagao et al. (1984)

\* Mineral names qz:quartz kf:k-feldspar ab:albite se:sericite bt:biotite ch:chlorite ep:epidote cal:calcite gp:gypsum

py:pyrite cp:chalcopyrite cu<sup>o</sup>:native copper mt:magnetite hm:hematite ge:geothite

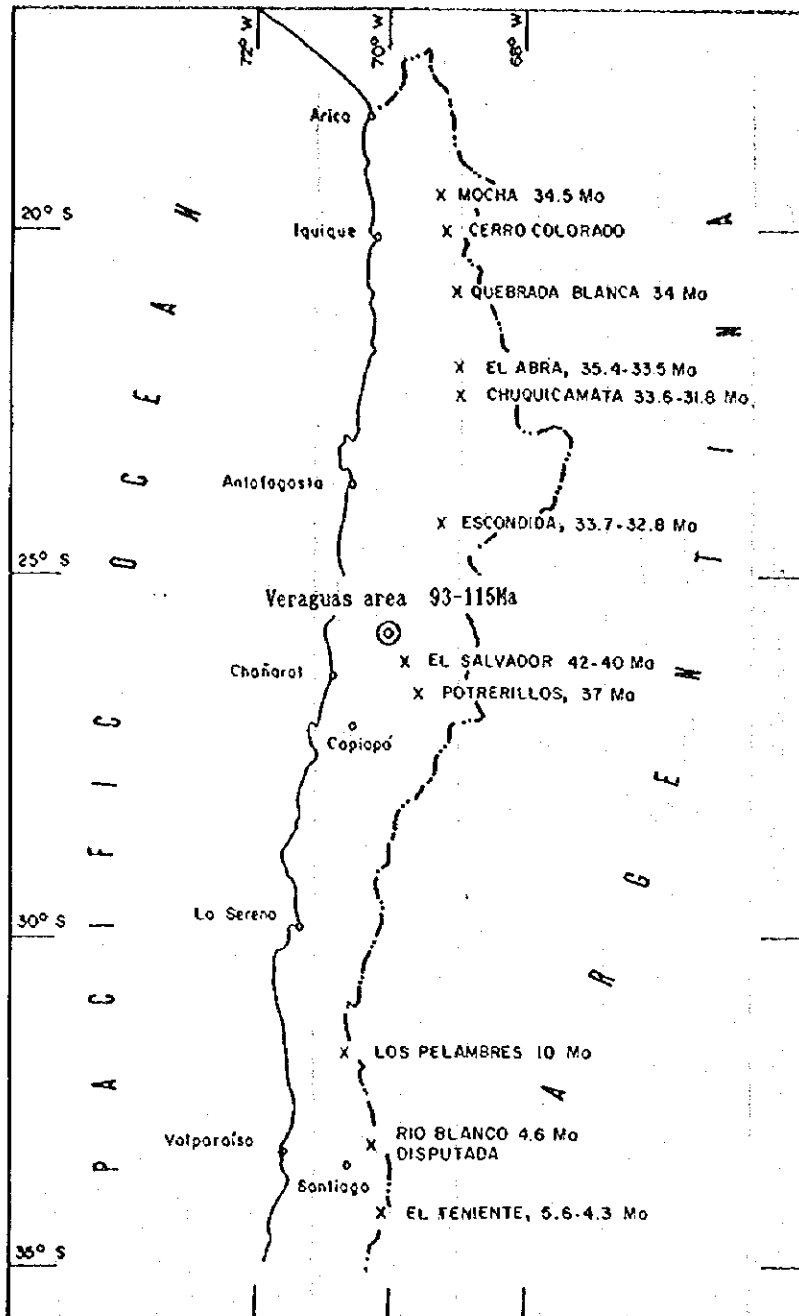


Fig. II-1-7 Location and K-Ar ages of major porphyry copper deposits in northern Chile. Ages of porphyry copper deposits from Quirt *et al.* (1971; Mocha, Los Pelambres, Río Blanco, and El Teniente), Gustafson and Hunt (1975; El Salvador), Olson (1984; Potrerillos), Internal report, CODELCO-Chile, División Chuquicamata (no date: Chuquicamata), Ambrus (1977; El Abra), C. Alpers and G. Brimhall (written commun.; Escondida), and Hunt *et al.* (1983; Quebrada Blanca).

[Olson, 1989]

Table II-1-10 Microprobe analyses of native copper

	13-78.4m	13-78.4m	13-78.4m	13-126.6m	13-126.6m	13-126.6m
WT. %						
Cu	100.74	100.58	100.36	100.31	98.77	100.65
Fe	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.66	0.69	0.36
Au	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ag	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.36	0.00	0.00
Total	100.74	100.58	100.36	101.32	99.46	101.01
ATM. %						
Cu	100.00	100.00	100.00	99.05	99.21	99.59
Fe	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.74	0.79	0.41
Au	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ag	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.21	0.00	0.00
	13-134.1m	13-134.1m	13-134.1m	13-147.0m	13-147.0m	13-147.0m
WT. %						
Cu	99.31	100.47	100.81	98.63	99.52	99.82
Fe	0.00	0.08	0.00	0.11	0.00	0.33
Au	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ag	0.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total	99.71	100.55	100.81	98.74	99.52	100.15
ATM. %						
Cu	99.76	99.91	100.00	99.87	100.00	99.62
Fe	0.00	0.09	0.00	0.13	0.00	0.38
Au	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ag	0.24	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	13-152.0m	13-152.0m	13-152.0m			
WT. %						
Cu	98.84	100.56	99.38			
Fe	0.33	0.30	0.88			
Au	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Ag	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Total	99.18	100.86	100.26			
ATM. %						
Cu	99.62	99.66	99.00			
Fe	0.38	0.34	1.00			
Au	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Ag	0.00	0.00	0.00			

dissemination zone between 78-180m in MJC-V-13 at the five places, 78.4m, 126.6m, 134.1m, 147.0m, 152.0m, at which microscopic observation was carried out.

The results are as follows:

1. All native copper grains or films have a Cu content of 98atm% or higher, and the native copper at 78.4m in particular had a Cu content of 100%.
2. Impurities included <1.0atm% of Fe and <0.2atm% of Ag.

#### 1-4-4 Resistivity and Polarizability Measurement

Resistivity and polarizability were measured on a total of 59 cores, 33 samples taken in Phase 1 of the drilling survey, and 26 samples taken in Phase 2. Lengths of core about 10cm long were split in half with a cutter to form semicylindrical samples. These were submerged in distilled water for one week, drained for one hour and then submerged in distilled water for one more week before being measured. A Phoenix Geophysics Limited IP and Resistivity Core Tester CT-1 was used for the measuring. Because of the special qualities of the measuring equipment, frequencies of 0.3Hz and 0.5Hz were used to measure the polarizability.

The results, together with the mode of production and chemical analysis values, are shown in Fig. I-1-11.

Samples were classified into the following 5 types, on the basis of the differences in alteration and original rock.

Alteration zone	Original rock	RES( $\Omega$ )			PFE(%)			T. Cu(ppm)			S. Cu(ppm)		
		Max.	Min.	Ave.	Max.	Min.	Ave.	Max.	Min.	Ave.	Max.	Min.	Ave.
1. silicified zone	andeste	1,402	131	828	0.4	0.2	0.3	80	5	22	<10	<10	<10
2. siliceous argillized zone	andesite	1,950	27	300	16.0	0.2	2.5	615	5	126	138	<10	18
3. siliceous argillized zone	andesite	439	30	118	8.8	0.4	2.5	8,600	10	1,038	6,100	<10	622
4. chloritized zone	porphyrite	2,809	1	617	17.5	2.5	9.0	13,800	28	2,381	3,850	<10	644
5. chloritized zone	porphyrite/diorite	5,892	1	1,243	24.0	2.0	7.2	7,000	23	1,387	2,340	<10	500

The following tendencies may be observed between resistivity/polarizability and alteration/original rock/copper grades.

#### **Resistivity**

1. Resistivity The fact that the strongly silicified zone gives an average resistivity value of 828 ohm/m, higher than the resistivity value for the siliceous argillized zone, indicates that the area of high resistivity at the surface measured by CSAMT corresponds to the strongly silicified zone.

2. Sulphide minerals such as pyrite generally give a low resistivity value. However, as shown above the siliceous argillized zone has a lower resistivity value than the chlorite zone accompanied by pyrite dissemination.

3. Pyrite dissemination is most marked in the chlorite zone with porphyry/diorite as the original rock, and the resistivity value is the highest with an average value of 1,243ohm/m.

Chlorite zones with original rock of porphyry/diorite display medium to high resistivity values; the sample from MJCv-12, with copper oxide and chalcopyrite dissemination, gives an average reading of 285ohm/m, while the sample from MJCv-13, with copper oxide and natural copper dissemination, gives an average reading of 2993ohm/m

4. With regard to above mentioned, it may be considered that the low resistivity values are due to the influence of argillization rather than to pyrite dissemination or copper prospects.

#### **Polarization**

1. The average reading for the strongly silicified zone was 0.3, and for the argillized zone, 2.5: argillization displays a higher value than strong silicification.

2. Differences in original rock were not seen to affect the readings in either the siliceous argillized or chlorite zones.

3. The chloritized zone accompanied by pyrite dissemination displayed the highest values, at 7.2 to 9.0. The average reading of the sample from MJCv-12, with copper oxide and chalcopyrite dissemination, was 4.8, and from MJCv-13, with native copper dissemination, the average reading was 4.3. Thus it may be considered that pyrite dissemination has a greater effect than copper mineralization in showing high polarizability values.



Table II-1-11 Results of the resistivity and polarization measurement

No.	Drill hole	Log	Depth (m)	Altitude (m)	RES (Gm)	PK (%)	T.Cu	S.Cu	Mo	AU	AG	T.Fs
1	JCV-01	11.2 2P 218 dis	38.2	318.5	142.6	0.2	6	10	18	-0.04	-0.4	5.63
2	JCV-01	31.5 2P 218 dis	38.2	318.5	138.7	0.3	5	10	12	-0.04	-0.4	3.10
3	JCV-01	31.5 2P 218 dis	38.2	318.5	138.7	0.4	15	10	12	-0.04	-0.4	0.10
4	JCV-03	16.2 2P 218 dis	131.7	131.7	102.9	0.2	14	10	10	-0.04	-0.4	0.70
5	JCV-03	16.2 2P 218 dis	131.7	131.7	102.9	0.2	14	10	10	-0.04	-0.4	0.70
6	JCV-03	138.9 2P 218 dis	131.7	131.7	75.2	0.2	14	10	10	-0.04	-0.4	1.10
7	JCV-03	138.9 2P 218 dis	131.7	131.7	75.2	0.2	14	10	10	-0.04	-0.4	1.10
8	JCV-03	138.9 2P 218 dis	131.7	131.7	75.2	0.2	14	10	10	-0.04	-0.4	1.10
9	JCV-02	138.0 2P 218 dis	174.1	174.1	57.5	1.1	174	40	5	-0.04	-0.4	5
10	JCV-03	241.0 2P 218 dis	241.0	241.0	66.7	0.5	67	26	10	-0.04	-0.4	4
11	JCV-03	361.8 2P 218 dis	361.8	361.8	80.9	0.5	88	10	28	-0.04	-0.4	2
12	JCV-04	186.9 2P 218 dis	186.9	186.9	44.8	0.8	58	10	18	-0.04	-0.4	3
13	JCV-04	222.6 2P 218 dis	222.6	222.6	103.7	1.0	118	10	18	-0.04	-0.4	3
14	JCV-05	283.5 2P 218 dis	283.5	283.5	27.0	1.4	618	138	5	-0.04	-0.4	5
15	JCV-05	283.5 2P 218 dis	283.5	283.5	27.0	1.4	618	138	5	-0.04	-0.4	5
16	JCV-11	42.0 2P 218 dis	42.0	42.0	129.7	2.0	23	10	4	-0.04	-0.4	2
17	JCV-01	252.6 2P 218 dis	252.6	252.6	298.8	2.5	128	18	6	-0.04	-0.4	3
18	JCV-02	178.5 2P 218 dis	178.5	178.5	62.3	4.0	190	30	5	-0.04	-0.4	4
19	JCV-02	167.8 2P 218 dis	167.8	167.8	30.8	2.8	404	75	5	-0.04	-0.4	5
20	JCV-02	247.0 2P 218 dis	247.0	247.0	59.5	0.6	100	25	0	-0.04	-0.4	3
21	JCV-03	140.9 2P 218 dis	140.9	140.9	34.7	1.8	10	10	0	-0.04	-0.4	2
22	JCV-03	203.5 2P 218 dis	203.5	203.5	0.6	0.6	19	10	0	-0.04	-0.4	2
23	JCV-03	319.0 2P 218 dis	319.0	319.0	253.9	0.4	135	30	7	-0.04	-0.4	2
24	JCV-04	221.6 2P 218 dis	221.6	221.6	88.0	1.0	28	10	14	-0.04	-0.4	2
25	JCV-05	350.9 2P 218 dis	350.9	350.9	194.0	1.0	20	10	5	-0.04	-0.4	2
26	JCV-05	350.9 2P 218 dis	350.9	350.9	194.0	1.0	20	10	5	-0.04	-0.4	2
27	JCV-13	127.0 2P 218 dis	127.0	127.0	30.3	8.8	1620	638	8	-0.04	-0.4	5
28	JCV-04	235.5 2P 218 dis	235.5	235.5	177.8	2.5	1039	629	11	-0.04	-0.4	4
29	JCV-04	274.2 2P 218 dis	274.2	274.2	154.6	11.5	34	10	10	-0.04	-0.4	4
30	JCV-04	406.0 2P 218 dis	406.0	406.0	588.9	7.5	16	10	18	-0.04	-0.4	4
31	JCV-06	149.0 2P 218 dis	149.0	149.0	37.2	1.3	134	17	12	-0.04	-0.4	2
32	JCV-07	55.0 2P 218 dis	55.0	55.0	123.5	2.5	28	10	4	-0.04	-0.4	2
33	JCV-11	232.0 2P 218 dis	232.0	232.0	280.7	7.2	192	10	4	-0.04	-0.4	2
34	JCV-01	628.1 2P 218 dis	628.1	628.1	59.7	9.0	2381	643	12	-0.04	-0.4	5
35	JCV-01	368.1 2P 218 dis	368.1	368.1	59.5	3.6	73	18	5	-0.04	-0.4	5
36	JCV-01	311.1 2P 218 dis	311.1	311.1	11.8	12.0	709	1263	24	-0.04	-0.4	7
37	JCV-04	409.2 2P 218 dis	409.2	409.2	83.4	4.8	84	24	16	-0.04	-0.4	8
38	JCV-04	485.0 2P 218 dis	485.0	485.0	274.4	5.1	294	16	18	-0.04	-0.4	4
39	JCV-06	350.0 2P 218 dis	350.0	350.0	180.6	6.3	23	10	9	-0.04	-0.4	4
40	JCV-06	357.9 2P 218 dis	357.9	357.9	417.9	11.2	20	10	3	-0.04	-0.4	2
41	JCV-06	369.6 2P 218 dis	369.6	369.6	80.4	11.8	30	2	0	-0.04	-0.4	2
42	JCV-06	364.4 2P 218 dis	364.4	364.4	61.3	10.3	25	2	0	-0.04	-0.4	2
43	JCV-08	315.6 2P 218 dis	315.6	315.6	104.3	10.1	149	20	12	-0.04	-0.4	4
44	JCV-08	315.6 2P 218 dis	315.6	315.6	104.3	11.2	74	7	15	-0.04	-0.4	4
45	JCV-08	315.6 2P 218 dis	315.6	315.6	104.3	11.2	74	7	15	-0.04	-0.4	4
46	JCV-11	300.0 2P 218 dis	300.0	300.0	336.1	34.0	50	10	14	-0.04	-0.4	4
47	JCV-12	482.0 2P 218 dis	482.0	482.0	246.3	2.9	550	310	4	-0.04	-0.4	4
48	JCV-12	482.0 2P 218 dis	482.0	482.0	246.3	2.9	550	310	4	-0.04	-0.4	4
49	JCV-12	482.0 2P 218 dis	482.0	482.0	246.3	2.9	550	310	4	-0.04	-0.4	4
50	JCV-12	482.0 2P 218 dis	482.0	482.0	246.3	2.9	550	310	4	-0.04	-0.4	4
51	JCV-13	78.5 2P 218 dis	78.5	78.5	33.9	3.7	300	90	18	-0.04	-0.4	2
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82	JCV-13	78.5 2P 218 dis	78.5	78.5	33.9	3.7	300	90	18	-0.04	-0.4	2
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87	JCV-13	78.5 2P 218 dis	78.5	78.5	33.9	3.7	300	90	18	-0.04	-0.4	2
88	JCV-13	78.5 2P 218 dis	78.5	78.5	33.9	3.7	300	90	18	-0.04	-0.4	2
89	JCV-13	78.5 2P 218 dis	78.5	78.5	33.9	3.7	300	90	18	-0.04	-0.4	2
90	JCV-13	78.5 2P 218 dis	78.5	78.5	33.9	3.7	300	90	18	-0.04	-0.4	2
91	JCV-13	78.5 2P 218 dis	78.5	78.5	33.							

## CHAPTER 2 TRENCH SURVEY IN THE VERAGUAS AREA

### 2-1 Purpose of survey

The purpose of this survey was to ascertain the existence of mineralization corresponding to the Cu geochemical anomalies by the Phase I survey in the northwestern hillside of the Sierra Overa.

### 2-2 Operating conditions

On-site trench survey work was carried out during the period 1st November 1994 to 31st November 1994. Trenches 5m in width were dug using a bulldozer.

Three lines, each 500m long, were dug, a total of 1,500m.

### 2-3 Results of survey

The results of the trench survey are shown in Fig.II-2-1. After the trenches were dug, detailed geological survey was carried out. The sketch of the trenches was drawn to a scale of 1,000:1 overall, and 50:1 for areas with mineral prospects. At the time of the trench observation, samples of mineral and rock have been taken where considered necessary, and subjected to polished thin-section observation, powder X-ray diffraction and chemical analysis. The results of these are shown in Table II-2-1, 2 & 3 respectively.

#### 2-3-1 Line 1

This line is located in the geochemical anomalous zone of Phase 1 survey. Throughout the whole length of the line is covered by the leached zone with strong concentrations of pulverized reddish hematite, jarosite and natrojarosite with siliceous argillization. The original rock is a aphanitic andesite that has undergone chloritization, but because of the strong degree of alteration there are many places where the primary texture is indistinct. The T.Cu grade is 0.004-0.021%, and mineralization have not found along this line.

#### 2-3-2 Line 2

A length of 120m on the eastern side is composed of aphanitic andesite that has undergone chloritization. Phenocrysts of plagioclase may be observed in the rock, but the primary mineral has altered into chlorite, secondary quartz, albite, biotite, sericite, epidote, etc. In the surface area, caliche formed of bassanite, zeolite, etc., is developed in network form. Chalcantite and other copper oxides are found with gypsum film. Observation under the microscope also reveals the sulfide minerals chalcopyrite, bornite and chalcocite as well as the iron oxides magnetite, hematite and goethite. The T.Cu grade is 0.16-

0.53%, with an average of 0.28%.

In the line west of that described above, the aphanitic andesite is covered by a leached zone which, like Line 1, has undergone siliceous argillization having strong concentrations of pulverized reddish hematite, jarosite and natrojarosite. The T.Cu grade here is 0.018-0.11%.

### 2-3-3 Line 3

This line is made up of aphanitic andesite and medium grained diorite porphyry.

A length of 330m on the eastern side is made up of fine grained andesite that has undergone silicification and siliceous argillization; the T.Cu grade is 0.03-0.25%.

A length 140m on the central is made up of medium grained diorite porphyry that has undergone siliceous argillization and is accompanied by pulverized reddish hematite, jarosite and natrojarosite. The T.Cu grade here is 0.079-0.19%, and small amounts of copper oxides is observable.

A length of approximately 180m on the western side is made up of aphanitic andesite that has undergone chloritization, similar to Sampling Line 2. Phenocrysts of plagioclase may be observed in the rock, but much of the primary minerals have altered into chlorite, secondary quartz, albite, kaolin, sericite etc. In the surface, caliche formed of gypsum, anhydrite gypsum, bassanite, graubelite, zeolite etc., is developed in network form. Chalcantite and other copper oxides are found throughout the rock, permeating the veins of gypsum. Observation under the microscope also reveals the iron oxides hematite and goethite. The T.Cu grade in the 180m in which the rock is found is 0.051-0.84%, with an average of 0.33%.

### 2-3-4 Test Pits

Pit survey has been carried out in four places approximately 80-100m southwest of the Line 2. The results are shown Fig.II-2-2. From this spot to the central part of the Line 2 mentioned above, diorite porphyry distributes over a width of 100-200m in a NW-SE direction. The rock is comprised of primary minerals of plagioclase and hornblende which altered to secondary quartz, albite, sericite, biotite, chlorite, epidote, calcite, etc. In the pits, the surface is covered with a caliche formed of quartz, gypsum, anhydrite gypsum, bassanite, albite etc. Below the caliche zone, chalcantite, atacamite and other copper oxides disseminate and film. Observation under the microscope also reveals chalcocite, magnetite, hematite and goethite. The T.Cu grade in and around the pits is 0.6-3.66%, with an average of 1.91%.

### 2-3-5 Consolidation of survey results

The survey district is made up of aphanitic andesite of the Cretaceous Aeropuerto formation and intrusive diorite porphyry that have undergone hydrothermal alteration. It is thought that the diorite porphyry is in stock form in a NW-SE direction, across a width of 100-200m. The district may be classi-

fied into three alteration zones, from the top.

(1) **Silicified/siliceous argillized zone:** The eastern part of the Line 3, on the mountain side of the Sierra Overa.

(2) **Leached zone with strong concentrations of pulverized reddish hematite, jarosite and natro-jarosite, accompanying siliceous argillization :** The central part of the Line 3, and Lines 1 and 2 at the foot of the Sierra Overa.

(3) **Chlorite zone:** Western part of the Line 3 and the eastern part of the Line 2.

The aphanitic andesite and diorite porphyry belonging to the chloritized zone are accompanied by film and dissemination of copper oxides such as chalcantite and atacamite. Observation under the microscope also reveals the sulfides such as chalcopyrite, bornite and chalcocite, and the iron oxides such as magnetite, hematite and goethite.

## 2-4 Considerations

The survey district is made up of aphanitic andesite of the Cretaceous Aeropuerto formation and diorite porphyry that have undergone hydrothermal alteration. It is thought that the diorite porphyry is in stock form in a NW-SE direction, across a width of 100-200m.

The surface is covered by the leached zone with strong concentrations of jarosite and reddish hematite. In the chloritized zone below the leached zone, copper oxides occur and under the microscope chalcopyrite, bornite and chalcocite are observable. Statistical processing has been carried out using the chemical analysis data from the 64 samples taken in this survey.

The basic statistical values for each element, and the results of the analysis of the principal components, are shown in Table II-2-4. The results of the principal components analysis are as follows:

(1) First principal component: T.Cu, S.Cu, I.Cu, Au display identical behavior.

(2) Second principal component: Mo shows independent behavior.

(3) Third principal component: Au and I.Cu interact.

Judging from the occurrence and the behavior of the components described above, the copper oxides **have been** formed as secondary minerals after the primary copper sulfide minerals oxidized. It is thought that gold has been a secondary concentration with the same behavior as copper oxide.

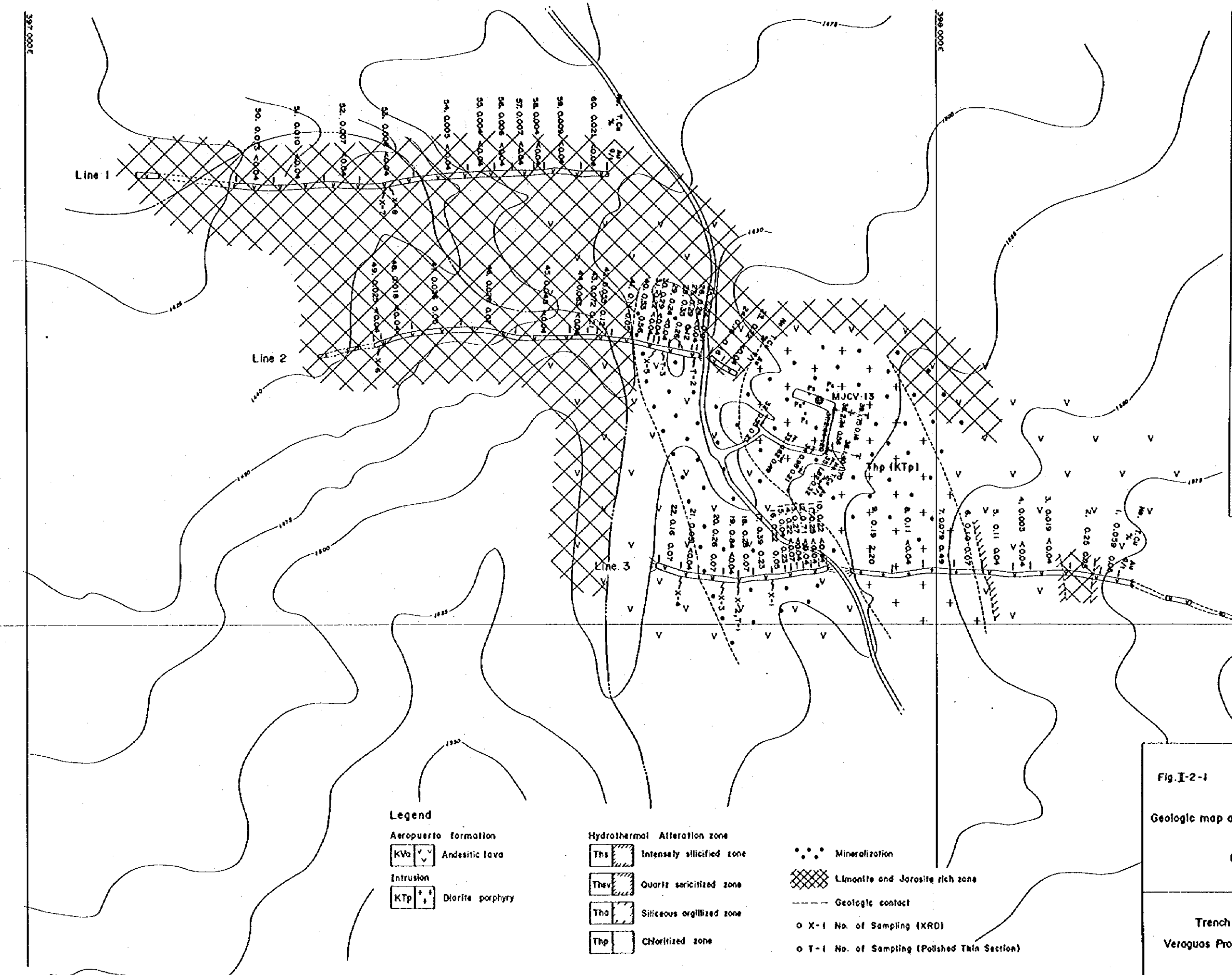
It is therefore necessary to continue prospecting, in order to ascertain the spread of the secondary oxidation zone in the environs and the existence of primary mineral deposits in the deeper zone.





Sample No.	Fe	S	Ca	Mg	Al	Ag
P1	25200	25000	18	29.8	0.4	
P2	6000	5200	15	0.49	-0.4	
P3	36600	35400	16	0.29	-0.4	
P4	25000	22600	22	2.00	-0.4	
1	590	210	18	0.05	-0.4	
2	2500	2600	11	0.05	-0.4	
3	190	90	25	-0.04	-0.4	
4	30	10	29	-0.04	-0.4	
5	1100	610	29	0.04	-0.4	
6	1000	270	17	0.07	-0.4	
7	790	260	18	0.49	-0.4	
8	1100	250	16	0.49	-0.4	
9	2900	820	16	2.20	-0.4	
10	2200	1500	21	-0.04	-0.4	
11	2500	2500	32	-0.04	-0.4	
12	2100	8700	29	-0.04	-0.4	
13	2700	2400	24	-0.04	-0.4	
14	2300	1800	31	0.07	-0.4	
15	4300	3900	23	0.22	-0.4	
16	2200	1800	22	0.05	-0.4	
17	2900	3800	20	0.23	-0.4	
18	2500	2300	20	0.07	-0.4	
19	8400	6700	17	-0.04	-0.4	
20	2600	2500	20	0.07	-0.4	
21	510	110	70	-0.04	-0.4	
22	1600	1300	30	0.07	-0.4	
23	2200	1700	22	-0.04	-0.4	
24	1600	650	19	0.16	-0.4	
25	2100	1900	33	0.07	-0.4	
26	2400	1900	34	-0.04	-0.4	
27	2300	2700	21	0.12	-0.4	
28	3500	3300	27	0.26	-0.4	
29	2400	2200	26	-0.04	-0.4	
30	2900	2700	26	-0.04	-0.4	
31	2200	2000	20	-0.04	-0.4	
32	5500	5300	33	0.28	-0.4	
33	6200	5700	18	0.49	-0.4	
34	3500	3700	14	0.21	-0.4	
35	18200	17800	16	0.30	-0.4	
36	14200	13200	16	1.70	-0.4	
37	26400	25400	13	1.20	-0.4	
38	27400	26500	20	1.60	-0.4	
39	17500	17200	20	0.16	-0.4	
40	5300	4900	23	0.56	-0.4	
41	1100	270	73	0.05	-0.4	
42	250	440	25	0.12	-0.4	
43	720	450	40	0.29	-0.4	
44	630	340	26	-0.04	-0.4	
45	490	180	31	0.04	-0.4	
46	260	70	21	0.07	-0.4	
47	360	70	19	0.05	-0.4	
48	180	30	11	-0.04	-0.4	
49	250	50	42	-0.04	-0.4	
50	130	20	20	-0.04	-0.4	
51	100	20	24	-0.04	-0.4	
52	70	30	28	-0.04	-0.4	
53	60	20	26	-0.04	-0.4	
54	50	10	18	-0.04	-0.4	
55	40	10	20	-0.04	-0.4	
56	60	10	32	-0.04	-0.4	
57	70	10	24	-0.04	-0.4	
58	40	10	18	-0.04	-0.4	
59	90	20	11	-0.04	-0.4	
60	210	10	18	-0.04	-0.4	

Fig. I-2-1  
 Geologic map of the trench survey district  
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 Veraguas Project, JICA/NMAJ-ENAMI



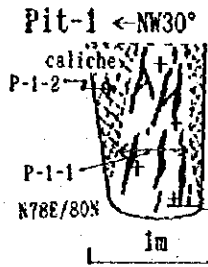
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- Aeropuerto formation
    - KVa Andesitic lava
  - Intrusion
    - KTp Diorite porphyry
  - Hydrothermal Alteration zone
    - Ths Intensely silicified zone
    - Thv Quartz sericitized zone
    - Tha Siliceous argillized zone
    - Thp Chloritized zone
  - Mineralization
    - Limonite and Jarosite rich zone
  - Geologic contact
    - X-1 No. of Sampling (XRD)
    - T-1 No. of Sampling (Polished Thin Section)









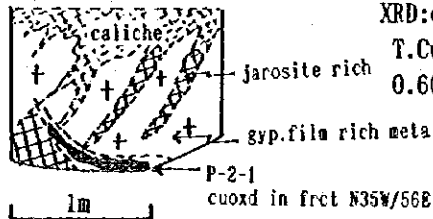


Pit-1 <NW30°

P-1-1 0.5m channel sampling  
 cuoxd dis. with gypsum network in meta diorite porphyry  
 XRD:gypsum,quartz,anhydrite  
 T.Cu(%) S.Cu(%) Mo(ppm) Au(ppm) Ag(ppm)  
 2.52 2.50 19 2.5 <0.4

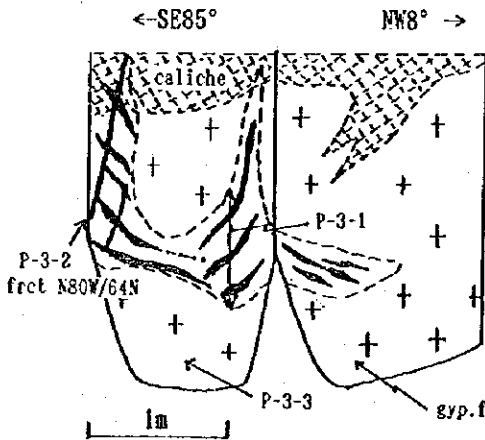
P-1-2 spot sampling, caliche zone  
 XRD:gypsum,anhydrite,gismondite(zeolite)

Pit-2 <NW75°



P-2-1 spot sampling, cuoxd film in meta diorite porphyry  
 XRD:quartz,albite,muscovite,gypsum,natrojarosite  
 T.Cu(%) S.Cu(%) Mo(ppm) Au(ppm) Ag(ppm)  
 0.60 0.52 15 0.49 <0.4

Pit-3

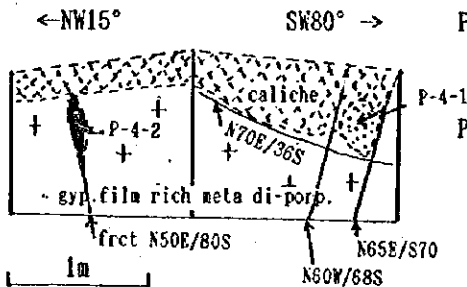


P-3-1 0.8m channel sampling  
 cuoxd film rich in meta diorite porphyry  
 XRD:quartz,albite,muscovite,atacamite  
 T.Cu(%) S.Cu(%) Mo(ppm) Au(ppm) Ag(ppm)  
 3.66 3.54 16 0.29 <0.4

P-3-2 spot sampling, cu oxd film with gypsum network  
 XRD:quartz,gypsum,bassanite,atacamite,anhydrite,albite

P-3-3 spot sampling, cu oxd dis. wk with gypsum network  
 XRD:gypsum,quartz,albite,anhydrite,muscovite

Pit-4



P-4-1 spot sampling, cu oxd dis. with caliche zone  
 XRD:quartz,albite,microcline

P-4-2 spot sampling, cu oxd film with fracture  
 XRD:gypsum,gismondite(zeolite),albite,orthoclase,  
 anhydrite,bassanite,atacamite  
 T.Cu(%) S.Cu(%) Mo(ppm) Au(ppm) Ag(ppm)  
 2.30 2.26 22 2.00 <0.4

Fig.II-2-2 Sketch of the test pits (1:50)



Table 1-2-2 Results of the powder X-ray diffraction

Classification	Abbr.	Mineral Name	Chemical Formulas	No. Sample No	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16		
					X-1 Line3	X-2 Line3	X-3 Line3	X-4 Line3	X-5 Line2	X-6 Line2	X-7 Line1	X-8 Line1	P-1-1	P-1-2	P-2-1	P-3-1	P-3-2	P-3-3	P-4-1	P-4-2		
Cu	Sulphide	Tet	Tetrahedrite	Cu <sub>12</sub> Sb <sub>4</sub> As <sub>13</sub>																		
		Cc	Chalcocite	Cu <sub>2</sub> S										Δ		Δ						
		Djr	Djurite	Cu <sub>3</sub> Si <sub>16</sub>																		
		Ena	Enargite	Cu <sub>3</sub> As <sub>4</sub>																		
		Cv	Covelite	CuS																		
	Metal	Co	Chalcopyrite	CuFeS <sub>2</sub>																		
		Cu	Native copper	Cu																		
		Cln	Chalcanthite	Cu(SO <sub>4</sub> ) · 5H <sub>2</sub> O																		
	Sulfate	Ant	Antreite	Cu <sub>3</sub> (SO <sub>4</sub> )(OH) <sub>4</sub>																		
		Bro	Brochantite	Cu <sub>4</sub> (SO <sub>4</sub> )(OH) <sub>6</sub>																		
	Carbonate	Az	Azurite	Cu <sub>3</sub> (CO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>																		
		Ma	Malachite	Cu <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>																		
	Others	Atc	Atacamite	Cu <sub>2</sub> Cl(OH) <sub>3</sub>																		
		Lam	Lamprite	Cu <sub>2</sub> (AsO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>										Δ								
Cic		Clinoclase	Cu <sub>3</sub> (AsO <sub>4</sub> )(OH) <sub>3</sub>													Δ	○				Δ	
Chn		Chnevikite	Cu <sub>2</sub> Fe <sub>2</sub> (AsO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub> · H <sub>2</sub> O																			
Chr		Chrysocolla	Cu <sub>2</sub> -xSi <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (OH) <sub>3</sub> /xH <sub>2</sub> O																			
Ht		Hemalite	Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>																			
Mgh		Magnetite	Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub>																			
Fe	Oxide & Hydroxide	Me	Magnetite	Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub>																		
		Akg	Akaganeite	FeO(OH)																		
		Frx	Feroxyhyte	FeO(OH)																		
		Go	Goethite	FeO(OH)																		
		Py	Pyrrhotite	Fe <sub>7</sub> S <sub>8</sub>																		
	Sulphide	Arp	Arsenopyrite	FeAsS																		
		Py	Pyrite	FeS <sub>2</sub>																		
		Jar	Jarosite	(K, Na)Fe <sub>3</sub> (SO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>6</sub>																		
		Na-Jar	Natrojarosite	(K, Na)Fe <sub>3</sub> (SO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>6</sub>																		
		But	Butlerite	Fe(SO <sub>4</sub> )(OH) · 2H <sub>2</sub> O																		
		Prb	Parabutlerite	Fe(SO <sub>4</sub> )(OH) · 2H <sub>2</sub> O																		
		Kor	Kornelite	Fe(SO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> · 7H <sub>2</sub> O																		
	Others	Rzn	Rozenite	Fe(SO <sub>4</sub> ) · 4H <sub>2</sub> O																		
		Sdr	Siderotil	Fe(SO <sub>4</sub> ) · 5H <sub>2</sub> O																		
Scr		Scorodite	Fe(AsO <sub>4</sub> ) · 2H <sub>2</sub> O																			
Fmi		Ferrimolybdite	Fe <sub>2</sub> (MoO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> · nH <sub>2</sub> O																			
Psk		Pseudobrookite	Fe <sub>2</sub> (TiO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>																			
Prt		Pseudorutile	Fe <sub>2</sub> (TiO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>																			
Qz		Quartz	SiO <sub>2</sub>			⊙	⊙				⊙	⊙	⊙		⊙	⊙	⊙	⊙	⊙	⊙	⊙	
Silicate	Clay	Chm	Chamosite	(Fe, Al, Mg) <sub>6</sub> (Si, Al) <sub>4</sub> O <sub>10</sub> (OH) <sub>8</sub>																		
		Chl	Chlorite	(Mg, Fe, Al) <sub>12</sub> (Fe, Al, Si) <sub>8</sub> O <sub>20</sub> (OH) <sub>16</sub>																		
		Dck	Dickite	Al <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (OH) <sub>4</sub>																		
		Kal	Kaolinite	Al <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (OH) <sub>4</sub>																		
		Nac	Nacrite	Al <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (OH) <sub>4</sub>																		
		Haf	Halloysite	Al <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (OH) <sub>4</sub> · 2H <sub>2</sub> O																		
		Pyx-Tc	Pyrophyllite-Talc	Al <sub>2</sub> MgSi <sub>4</sub> O <sub>10</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>																		
		Mus	Muscovite	K-Al <sub>2</sub> (Si <sub>3</sub> Al)O <sub>10</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub> F <sub>2</sub>																		
		Ill	Illite	K-Al <sub>2</sub> (Si <sub>3</sub> Al)O <sub>10</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub> F <sub>2</sub>																		
		Mnt	Montmorillonite	Na <sub>0.3</sub> (Al, Mg) <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>4</sub> O <sub>10</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub> · xH <sub>2</sub> O																		
	Others	Olig	Oligoclase	(Na, Ca)(Al, Si) <sub>4</sub> O <sub>8</sub>																		
		Alb	Albite	(Na, Ca)(Al, Si) <sub>4</sub> O <sub>8</sub>																		
		Or	Orthoclase	(K, Na)(Al, Si) <sub>4</sub> O <sub>8</sub>																		
		Micro	Microcline	KAlSi <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub>																		
		Hor	Hornblende	(Na, K)Ca <sub>2</sub> (Fe, Mg) <sub>5</sub> (Al, Si) <sub>8</sub> O <sub>22</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>																		
		Dip	Diposide	CaMg(SiO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>																		
		Trem	Tremolite	Ca <sub>2</sub> (Mg, Fe) <sub>5</sub> Si <sub>8</sub> O <sub>22</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>																		
		Act	Actinolite	Ca <sub>2</sub> (Mg, Fe) <sub>5</sub> Si <sub>8</sub> O <sub>22</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>																		
		Rie	Riebeckite	(Na, Ca) <sub>2</sub> (Mg, Fe) <sub>5</sub> Si <sub>8</sub> O <sub>22</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>																		
		Bt	Biotite	K(Mg, Fe) <sub>2</sub> AlSi <sub>3</sub> O <sub>10</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>																		
		Ep	Epidote	Ca <sub>2</sub> (Al, Fe) <sub>3</sub> Si <sub>3</sub> O <sub>12</sub> (OH)																		
		Hep	Hydroxypoxyphyllite	KCa <sub>4</sub> Si <sub>8</sub> O <sub>20</sub> (OH) · 8H <sub>2</sub> O																		
		Zeolite	Gz	Gismondite	CaAl <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>8</sub> · 4H <sub>2</sub> O																	
Mrd	Mordenite		(Ca, Na <sub>2</sub> , K <sub>2</sub> )Al <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>10</sub> O <sub>24</sub> · 7H <sub>2</sub> O																			
Sulfate	Alu	Alunite	(K, Na)Al <sub>3</sub> (SO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>6</sub>																			
	Na-Alu	Natroalunite	(K, Na)Al <sub>3</sub> (SO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>6</sub>																			
	But	Butlerite	Fe(OH)SO <sub>4</sub> · 2H <sub>2</sub> O																			
	Bld	Bloedite	Na <sub>2</sub> Mg(SO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> · H <sub>2</sub> O																			
	Gl	Glauberite	Na <sub>2</sub> Ca(SO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>																			
	Bas	Bassanite	Ca(SO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>0.5</sub> H <sub>2</sub> O																			
	Anh	Anhydrite	Ca(SO <sub>4</sub> )																			
	Gyp	Gypsum	Ca(SO <sub>4</sub> ) · 2H <sub>2</sub> O																			
Mn	Pr	Pyrolusite	MnO <sub>2</sub>																			
	Br	Braunite	Mn <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>12</sub>																			
	Crp	Cryptomelane	K <sub>2</sub> Mn <sub>8</sub> O <sub>16</sub>																			
	Gro	Grothite	Mn <sub>2</sub> O(OH)																			
Carbonate	Cal	Calcite	CaCO <sub>3</sub>																			
	Dol	Dolomite	CaMg(CO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>																			
	Kut	Kutnohorite	Ca(Mg, Mn)(CO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>																			

Abundance: ⊙ : abundant ○ : common Δ : minor · : rare

Table II-2-3 Results of chemical analysis

Sample No.	T. Cu	S. Cu	Mo	Au	Ag
	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm
P1	25200	25000	19	2.50	-0.4
P2	6000	5200	15	0.49	-0.4
P3	36600	35400	16	0.29	-0.4
P4	23000	22600	22	2.00	-0.4
1	590	210	19	0.05	-0.4
2	2500	2000	11	0.05	-0.4
3	190	90	25	-0.04	-0.4
4	50	10	39	-0.04	-0.4
5	1100	610	29	0.04	-0.4
6	1000	270	17	0.07	-0.4
7	790	260	18	0.49	-0.4
8	1100	250	16	-0.04	-0.4
9	1900	820	18	2.20	-0.4
10	2200	1900	21	-0.04	-0.4
11	2500	2200	32	-0.04	-0.4
12	7100	6700	29	-0.04	-0.4
13	2700	2400	24	-0.04	-0.4
14	2200	1800	31	0.07	-0.4
15	4000	3900	28	0.23	-0.4
16	2200	1800	22	0.05	-0.4
17	3900	3800	20	0.23	-0.4
18	2800	2300	20	0.07	-0.4
19	8400	6700	17	-0.04	-0.4
20	2600	2300	30	0.07	-0.4
21	510	140	70	-0.04	-0.4
22	1600	1300	30	0.07	-0.4
23	2200	1700	22	-0.04	-0.4
24	1600	650	19	0.16	-0.4
25	2400	1900	33	0.07	-0.4
26	2400	1900	34	-0.04	-0.4
27	2900	2700	21	0.12	-0.4
28	3500	3300	27	0.26	-0.4
29	2400	2200	26	-0.04	-0.4
30	2900	2700	26	-0.04	-0.4
31	2200	2000	20	-0.04	-0.4
32	5500	5300	33	0.28	-0.4
33	6200	5700	18	0.49	-0.4
34	9800	9400	14	0.21	-0.4
35	18200	17600	16	0.30	-0.4
36	14000	13200	16	1.70	-0.4
37	26400	25400	13	1.20	-0.4
38	27400	26600	20	1.60	-0.4
39	17500	17200	20	0.16	-0.4
40	5300	4800	23	0.56	-0.4
41	1100	270	73	0.05	-0.4
42	550	440	25	0.12	-0.4
43	720	490	40	0.21	-0.4
44	630	300	26	-0.04	-0.4
45	480	180	31	-0.04	-0.4
46	260	70	21	0.07	-0.4
47	360	70	19	0.05	-0.4
48	180	30	11	-0.04	-0.4
49	250	50	42	-0.04	-0.4
50	130	20	20	-0.04	-0.4
51	100	20	24	-0.04	-0.4
52	70	30	28	-0.04	-0.4
53	60	20	26	-0.04	-0.4
54	50	10	16	-0.04	-0.4
55	40	10	20	-0.04	-0.4
56	60	10	32	-0.04	-0.4
57	70	10	24	-0.04	-0.4
58	40	10	20	-0.04	-0.4
59	90	20	11	-0.04	-0.4
60	210	40	19	-0.04	-0.4

Table II-2-4 Results of statistics

Original data information  
number of samples : 64

Elements	unit	max value	min value	average	standard deviation
T.Cu	%	3.6602	0.0030	0.1354	6.4983
S.Cu	%	3.5400	0.0010	0.0666	11.2590
I.Cu	%	0.6001	0.0020	0.0280	3.1117
Mo	ppm	72.9962	11.0002	22.7562	1.4408
Au	ppm	2.4998	0.0200	0.0720	4.4147

covariance matrix	T.Cu	S.Cu	I.Cu	Mo	Au
T.Cu	0.6606	0.8261	0.2926	-0.0198	0.3312
S.Cu	0.8261	1.1057	0.3026	-0.0247	0.4373
I.Cu	0.2926	0.3026	0.2431	-0.0062	0.1046
Mo	-0.0198	-0.0247	-0.0062	0.0251	-0.0264
Au	0.3312	0.4373	0.1046	-0.0264	0.4160

correlation matrix	T.Cu	S.Cu	I.Cu	Mo	Au
T.Cu	1.0	0.9666	0.7302	-0.1538	0.6319
S.Cu	0.9666	1.0	0.5836	-0.1484	0.6448
I.Cu	0.7302	0.5836	1.0	-0.0798	0.3289
Mo	-0.1538	-0.1484	-0.0798	1.0	-0.2582
Au	0.6319	0.6448	0.3289	-0.2582	1.0

## Principal component analysis

No.	Eig_value	Eig_pct	Eig_sum
Z-01	3.0313	60.6265	60.6265
Z-02	1.0052	20.1045	80.7310
Z-03	0.6319	12.6376	93.3686
Z-04	0.3181	6.3612	99.7299
Z-05	0.0135	0.2701	100.0000

Fact_id	Z-01	Z-02	Z-03	Z-04	Z-05
CuT	0.9717	0.1340	-0.0286	-0.1706	0.0883
CuS	0.9378	0.0945	0.1129	-0.3061	-0.0722
Au	0.7557	-0.2379	0.5159	0.3259	-0.0019
CuI	0.7516	0.2754	-0.5220	0.2937	-0.0220
Mo	-0.2677	0.9197	0.2823	0.0527	0.0006

Eig_vec	Z-01	Z-02	Z-03	Z-04	Z-05
CuT	0.5581	0.1337	-0.0360	-0.3026	0.7601
CuS	0.5386	0.0943	0.1420	-0.5428	-0.6214
Au	0.4340	-0.2373	0.6490	0.5778	-0.0162
CuI	0.4317	0.2747	-0.6566	0.5208	-0.1891
Mo	-0.1637	0.9173	0.3552	0.0934	0.0055

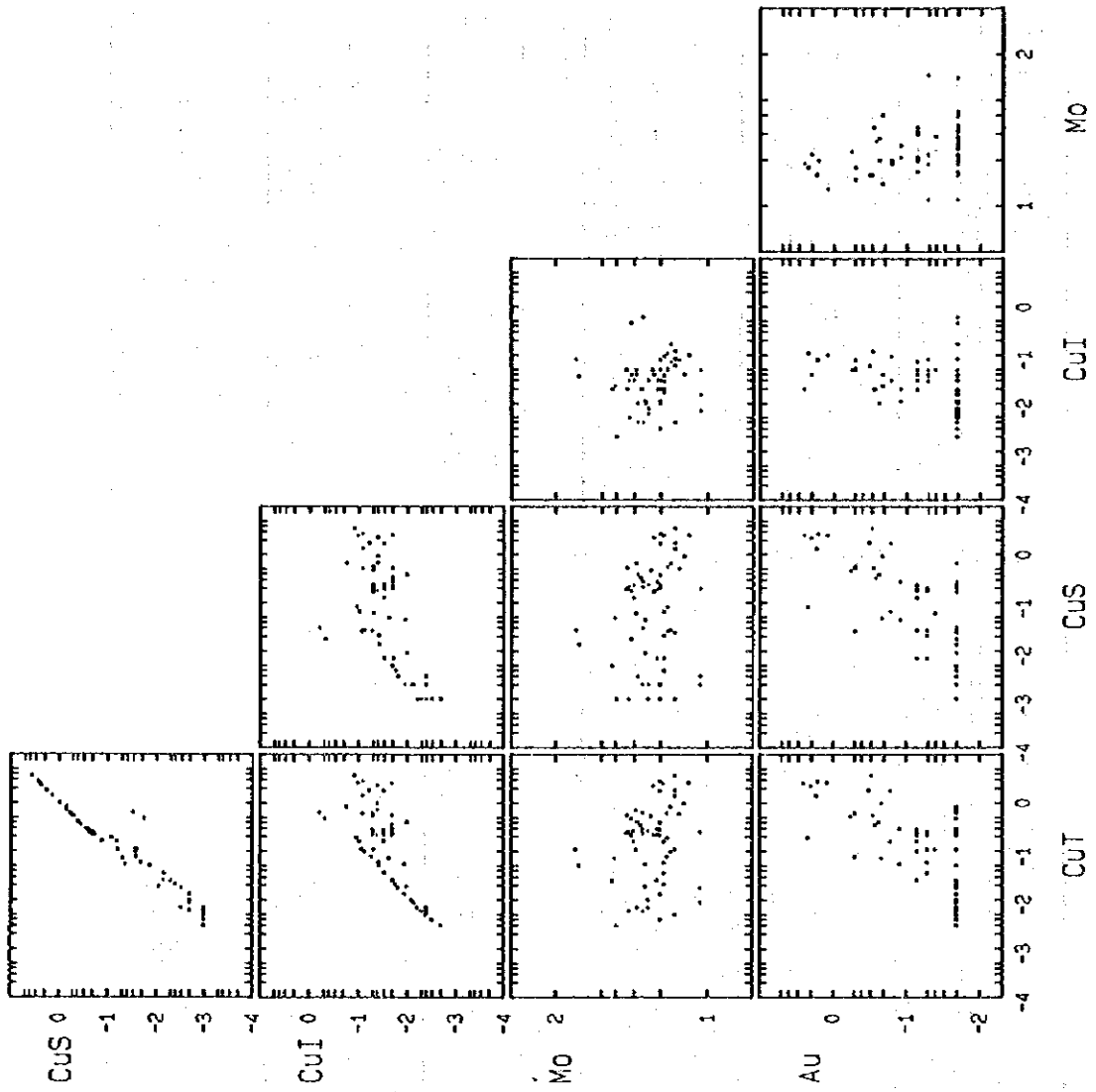


Fig II-2-3 Correlation coefficients diagram



## **CHAPTER 3 GEOPHYSICS SURVEY OF THE PROGRESO AREA**

### **3-1 Purpose and Method of Survey**

#### **3-1-1 Purpose of Survey**

A boing survey conducted in the area in 1993 confirmed that the Punta del Cobre formation which is a horizon for Manto-type ore deposits is distributed at a depth of around 470m underground in DDH-6A in the south of the survey area. Occurrence of skarn was also ascertained in the limestone of the Abundancia formation above. As a result of an airborne magnetic, new magnetic anomalies were confirmed in the northeast of the survey area, and from the results of a core analysis in DDH-1A in the north of the area, weak copper anomalies (around 200ppm) were extracted from a depth of 182m over a distance of 222m.

In order to clarify the distribution of the Punta del Cobre formation in the survey area, the resistivity structure of the deep zone is clarified by AMT (Audio-frequency Magneto-Telluric Method). In addition to extracting the Manto-type ore deposits and the occurrence of skarn in the Abundancia formation limestone using the IP (Induced Polarization) method. The correspondence between the geophysical anomalies and mineral occurrence is clarified by measuring the resistivity value and polarizability of core samples. The survey also purpose to check the extent of the occurrence of copper which was confirmed by core analysis in DDH-1A using PEM (Pulse Electromagnetic Method).

#### **3-1-2 Contents of survey**

The map showing the location of the profiles is shown in Fig.II-3-1, the survey method and list of quantities are shown in Table II-3-1, and the list of equipment used is shown in Table II-3-2.

#### **3-1-3 Survey method**

##### **1. AMT method**

Several surveys already carried out in this area by CSAMT method, SIP method, etc. , and the rough distribution of the resistivity has been obtained. Nevertheless, as stated earlier, distribution of the Punta del Cobre formation is about 470m underground, it would be difficult to say that the resistivity structure of the depths has been adequately obtained by CSAMT which is affected by near field. For this reason, the AMT method which enables surveying up to a depth of about 1000m underground was used in this area. The AMT method works on the same measuring principle as CSAMT, but it differs in that it measures the phenomena of induction, corresponding to the subterranean resistivity structure, which produced natural world phenomena of electromagnetic induction as signals, such as lightning. As the natural world electromagnetic field differs to the electromagnetic field produced by artificial signals, the conditions for plane waves are effected even in low frequency zones. Therefore the problem of near field in the low frequency domain which occurs with the CSAMT method does not arise and an adequate depth of investigation is possible.

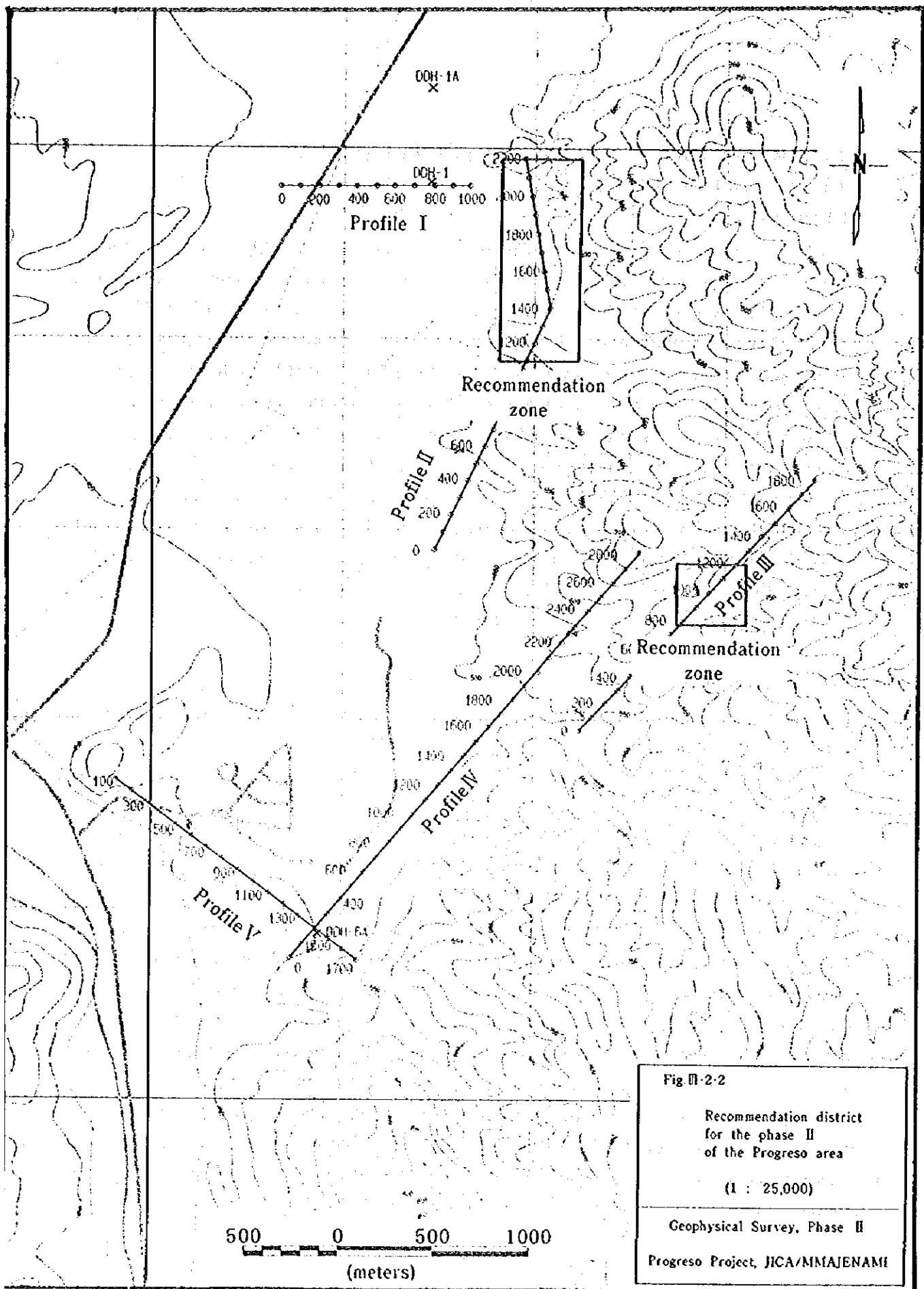


Fig. II-2-2  
 Recommendation district  
 for the phase II  
 of the Progreso area  
 (1 : 25,000)  
 Geophysical Survey, Phase II  
 Progreso Project, JICA/NIMAJENAMI

Table II-3-1 Contents of Geophysical Survey

	Profile length	AMT measuring points	IP measuring length	Electrode spacing
Profile I	1,000m	4	1,000m	100m
Profile II	2,200m	10	2,200m	100m
Profile III	1,800m	9	1,800m	100m
Profile IV	2,800m	14	2,800m	100m
Profile V	1,600m	8	1,600m	100m
Total	9,400m	45	9,400m	
PEM	1 hole DDH-1A (measuring depth from 10m to 278m) 2 horizontal and 1 vertical components 5 transmission loops( 250m × 250m )			
Core Sample	Measurements of resistivity and polarization 30pcs			

The AMT investigation theory is explained briefly below.

When the subterranean resistivity structure is a homogeneous or horizontally multi-layered structure, the following relation between the horizontal electric field and the horizontal magnetic field which crosses it perpendicularly is effected. (Cagniard, 1953)

$$E_x(\omega) = Z(\omega)H_y(\omega) \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

where Z can be expressed by  $Z_{xy} = (1+j)\sqrt{\frac{\rho\omega\mu}{2}}$

$$\rho_{xy} = \frac{1}{\mu\omega} \left| \frac{E_x}{H_y} \right|^2$$

is obtained and apparent resistivity  $\rho_{xy}$  as a function of the frequency can be found. Where  $\mu$  is the free air magnetic permeability ( $4\pi \times 10^{-7}$  H/m), and  $\omega$  is the angular frequency. As electromagnetic waves are generally better transmitted to the subterranean depths at lower frequencies, it is possible to measure changes in the apparent resistivity in the direction of the deep zone by measuring various frequencies.

When the earth is a two-dimensional structure, the following linear relationship is effected between the electric field and the magnetic field which cross each other perpendicularly (Cantwell, 1960).

$$E_x = Z_{xx}H_x + Z_{xy}H_y \dots\dots\dots (2)$$

$$E_y = Z_{yx}H_x + Z_{yy}H_y \dots\dots\dots (3)$$

Where each variable is a function of the frequency. This equation generally uses a determinant and is expressed as

$$\begin{bmatrix} E_x \\ E_y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} Z_{xx} & Z_{xy} \\ Z_{yx} & Z_{yy} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} H_x \\ H_y \end{bmatrix} \dots\dots\dots (4)$$

or  $E = ZH \dots\dots\dots (5)$

Where Z is a complex impedance tensor. When the subterranean structure is a homogeneous layer structure or horizontally multi-layered structure,

$$Z_{xx} = Z_{yy} = 0, \quad Z_{xy} = Z_{yx}$$

is effected and equation (1) is obtained.

Also, when the subterranean structure forms a two-dimensional structure and either the x or y direction runs along the strike direction, it becomes

$$Z_{xx} = Z_{yy} = 0, \quad |Z_{xy}| \neq |Z_{yx}|$$

and

$$\rho_{xy} = \frac{1}{\mu\omega} \left| \frac{E_x}{H_y} \right|^2 \dots\dots\dots (6)$$

$$\rho_{yx} = \frac{1}{\mu\omega} \left| \frac{E_y}{H_x} \right|^2 \dots\dots\dots (7)$$

are obtained. With the ATM method, four components, the horizontal electric fields (Ex, Ey) which cross each other perpendicularly and the horizontal magnetic fields (Hx, Hy) which run parallel to them, are measured simultaneously at each measurement point and the resistivity structure in the two directions mentioned above is measured.

The AMT measurement conceptual diagram is shown in Fig II-3-3. From the fact that the depth of penetration of electromagnetic waves underground depends on the frequency, the subterranean resistivity distribution can be obtained from the above equations by measuring the electromagnetic wave signals over a broad range of frequencies. 28 frequencies from 10,000Hz to 1.0Hz were measured. The frequency table for ATM measurement is shown in Table II-3-2.

Table II-3-2 Frequency table for AMT measurement

No.	freq.(Hz)	No.	freq.(Hz)	No.	freq.(Hz)	No.	freq.(Hz)
1	10,000.0	8	960.0	15	80.0	22	7.500
2	7,500.0	9	640.0	16	60.0	23	5.000
3	5,000.0	10	480.0	17	40.0	24	3.750
4	3,750.0	11	320.0	18	30.0	25	2.500
5	2,560.0	12	240.0	19	20.0	26	1.875
6	1,920.0	13	160.0	20	15.0	27	1.250
7	1,280.0	14	120.0	21	10.0	28	0.9375

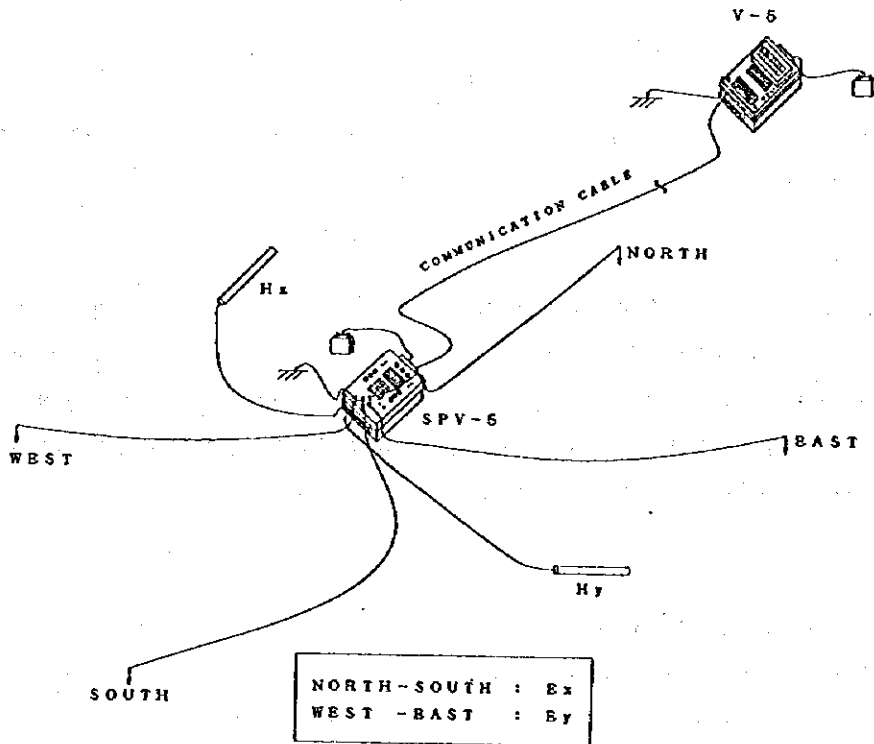


Fig. II-3-2 Field layout of AMT survey.

## 2. IP Method

If metal deposits, etc. are distributed in the earth and a direct current is applied, the electric charge is stored in the surface of the metal deposits, and if the direct current is then turned off, the electric charge that has been stored is gradually released. By measuring this phenomenon (polarization effect, induced polarization effect) together with the resistivity value, subterranean metal deposits that could not be detected by the changes in resistivity alone, can be investigated. In order to detect the induced polarization effect, measurements were taken in the time domain. The current is induced into the ground for a fixed time, and the ratio of the potential time integral value of 100msec-1sec after the current turned off is taken as an indicator of the size of the induced polarization effect (chargeability). The electrodes are arranged in dipole-dipole electrode arrangement, and as for the apparent resistivity, a 0.25Hz frequency (duty cycle 50%) current (I) is supplied to the current electrodes (C1, C2) shown in Fig.II-3-3(a) and the electric potential (Vp) is measured by potential electrodes (P1, P2). The apparent resistivity value of the earth ( $\rho_a$ ) is expressed as

$$\rho_a = K \frac{V_p}{I} \dots\dots\dots(8)$$

Where K is called the electrode separation index and is expressed by the following equation.

$$K = \frac{2\pi}{1/C_1P_1 - 1/C_1P_2 - 1/C_2P_1 - 1/C_2P_2} \dots\dots\dots(9)$$

Generally when the distance between the current electrodes and the potential electrodes is N times the distance between the electrodes, it becomes

$$K = \frac{\pi}{2} n(n+1)(n+2) \dots\dots\dots (10)$$

The chargeability(M) is obtained by the sum of the transients of the electric potential (secondary electric potential) during the current off time (t1-t2) shown in Fig.II-3-3(b) and normalized by primary electric potential Vp. In this survey the secondary electric potential measuring time is 1sec. For pseudosection, the apparent resistivity and chargeability obtained are shown at the vertex of a right-angled isosceles triangle whose base is a straight line joining the middle points of each electrode series.

## 3. PEM Method

A primary magnetic field created by the electric current flowing along the transmission loop set up around the borehole on the surface of the earth. When the primary field is broken, an induced magnetic field (secondary magnetic field) is produced by conductors such as subterranean mineral deposits. It is possible to detect the existence of low resistivity zones, such as mineral deposits, using a magnetic field sensor for three components, the vertical direction inside the borehole and the two directions crossing it perpendicularly, by continuously measuring inside the borehole. Furthermore, by placing transmission loops of the same size as the transmission loop around the borehole in four places on the north, south, east and

west of the borehole and taking the same measurements, it is possible to discover from variations in the magnetic field of each transmitting loop, the extension direction in the case of the borehole reaching the mineral deposit, or the direction of the mineral deposit in the case of there being one in the vicinity of the borehole. Measurements were taken using a 20.00ms time base (1 cycle/120.0ms) and dividing the off-time of 30.0ms into 20 windows. The size of the transmission loops was 200m x 200m, and measuring was carried out with a 20A electric current, using the loop around the borehole and loops of the same size in 4 places on the north, south, east and west of the borehole. The schematic illustration of the PEM survey is shown in Fig II-3-4. A list of the equipment used in the survey is given in Table II-3-3.

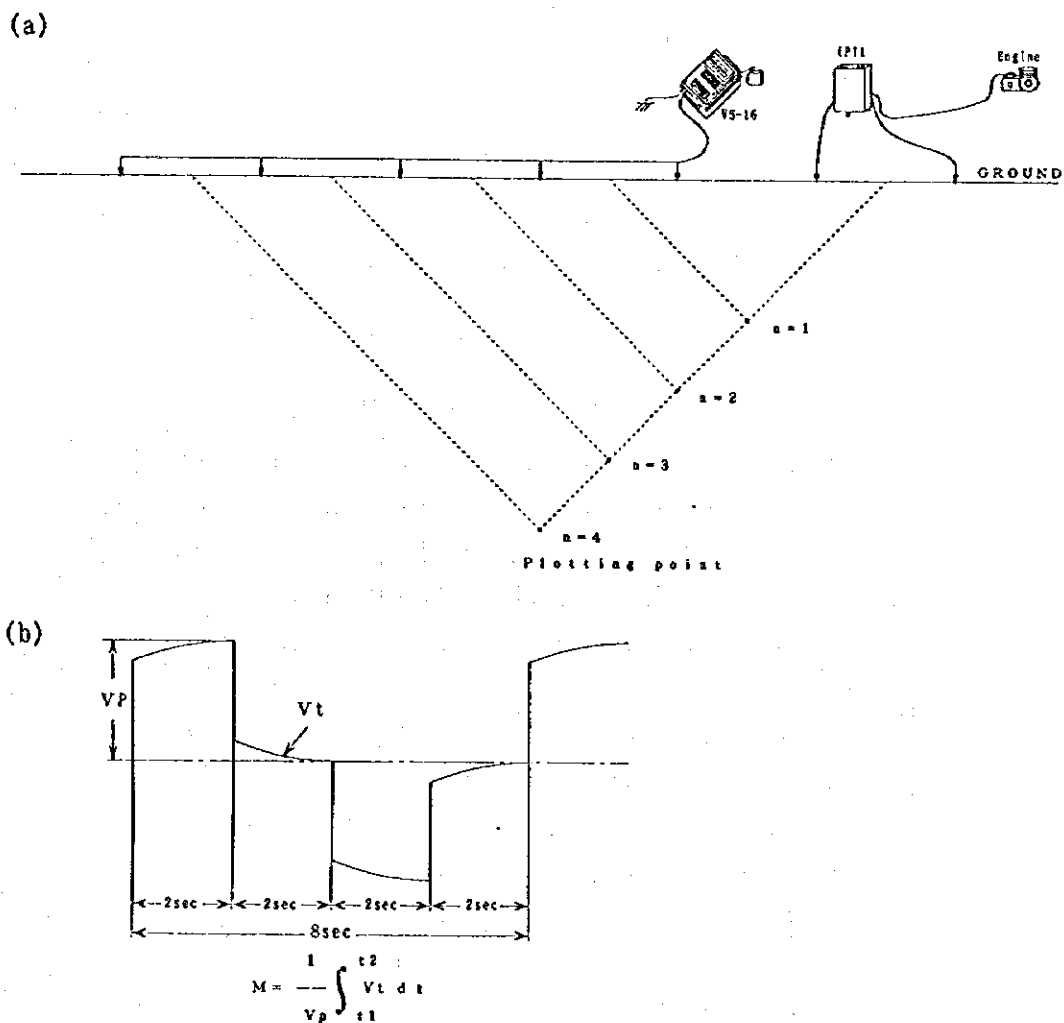


Fig. II-3-3 Field setup of IP survey(a) and Typical Time Domain measurement(b)

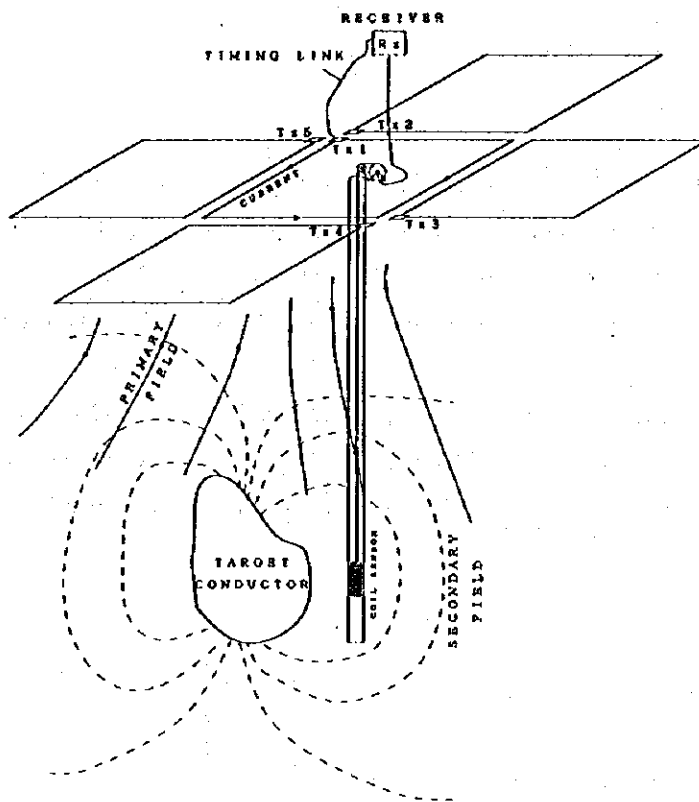


Fig. II-3-4 Schematic illustration of PEM survey.

Table II-3-3 List of equipments

AMT method	QTY	Specification
Multipurpose receiver V-5 Phoenix Geophysics	1	Sensitivity 0.2 $\mu$ V
Signal processor SPV-5 Phoenix Geophysics	2	Noise level 16nV/Hz
Induction coil AMT-25 Phoenix Geophysics	4	Sensitivity 100nV/nT
Porus Pb-PbCl <sub>2</sub> electrode Phoenix Geophysics	30	Noise level 100nV
IP method	QTY	Specification
Multipurpose receiver V-5 Phoenix Geophysics	1	Sensitivity 0.2 $\mu$ V
Porus Pb-PbCl <sub>2</sub> electrode Phoenix Geophysics	30	Noise level 100nV
IP transmitter IPT-1 Phoenix Geophysics	1	2 kVA 10A max.
Engine Generator EX3000 HONDA	1	2.2kVA 50Hz
PEM method	QTY	Specification
Digital PEM Receiver Crone Geophysics	1	
Borehole PEM z-axis receiver probe	1	
Borehole X-Y probe Noranda Exploration	1	
PEM transmitter Crone Geophysics	1	2.0kVA 5A, 20A
Computer	QTY	
Laptop computer	1	16bit 386CPU, 40Mbyte



## 3-2 Interpretation Method

### 3-2-1 AMT Method

Topographic and static effects are included in the apparent resistivity values measured by the AMT method. As they influence all the electric field data from the shallow zone to the deep zone, they must be adequately evaluated.

With regard to topographic effects, the current flow in the direction of the electric field being measured is affected by topography in that direction, and as the variations in measured potential show in Fig. II-3-5. The electric current density is dense in valley terrain. As a result, the density of the equipotential line is high and the disparity in measured potential is high. In other words, it forms a high apparent resistivity anomaly. Conversely, in mountainous terrain the electric current density is thin, forming a low apparent resistivity anomaly. Also, by the variations in topography, a low apparent resistivity anomaly is formed in convex terrain, and a high apparent resistivity anomaly in concave terrain. Such topographical effects are extremely great in AMT surveys.

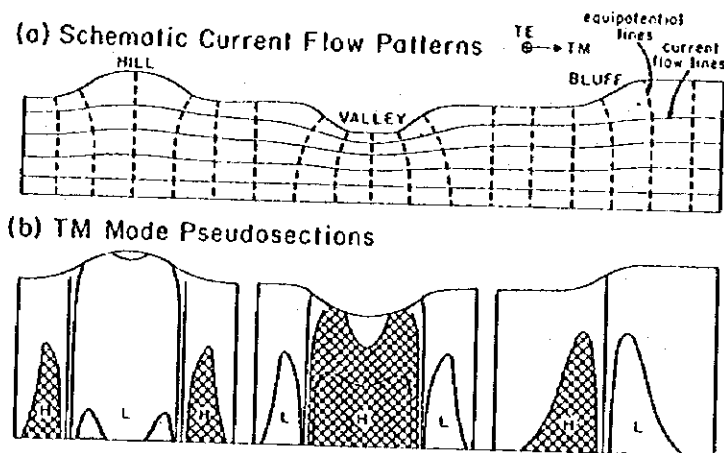


Fig. II-3-5(1) Schematic illustration of topographic effects on E-field measurements.

(a) Distortion of current flow patterns over topographic features. (b) TM mode resistivity pseudosections resultant from topographic features.

H = high resistivity, L = low resistivity. (After Zonge and Hughes)

With regard to static effects, as shown in Fig. II-3-6, when the measurement points are located in a local resistivity anomaly zone, the apparent resistivity curve shifts to horizontal on the high resistivity or low resistivity side, corresponding to the local anomaly, so no true apparent resistivity curve is seen. Static

effects create a problem in surveying methods which aim to find the apparent resistivity structure by measuring the electric field, including direct current electric investigations. In direct current electric investigations, as the distance between the electrodes is gradually extended to obtain deeper data, in general not all of the measurement data are affected by static effects. But with surveying methods which obtain deeper information by changing the frequency without moving the potential electrodes, such as the electromagnetic method, all the data from high frequencies to low frequencies are influenced by static effects.

Unless combined with an investigation method which surveys the subterranean resistivity structure by only the magnetic field without measuring the electric field, an objective evaluation cannot be obtained. As this phenomenon is a problem which only affects the apparent resistivity and not the phase difference, the influence can be assessed from phase difference section. Also, by establishing measurement points continuously along the profiles, a relative assessment can be obtained by comparing the measurement results of adjacent measurement points. Furthermore, interpretation that includes the static effects can be carried out by conducting two-dimensional interpretation along the profiles.

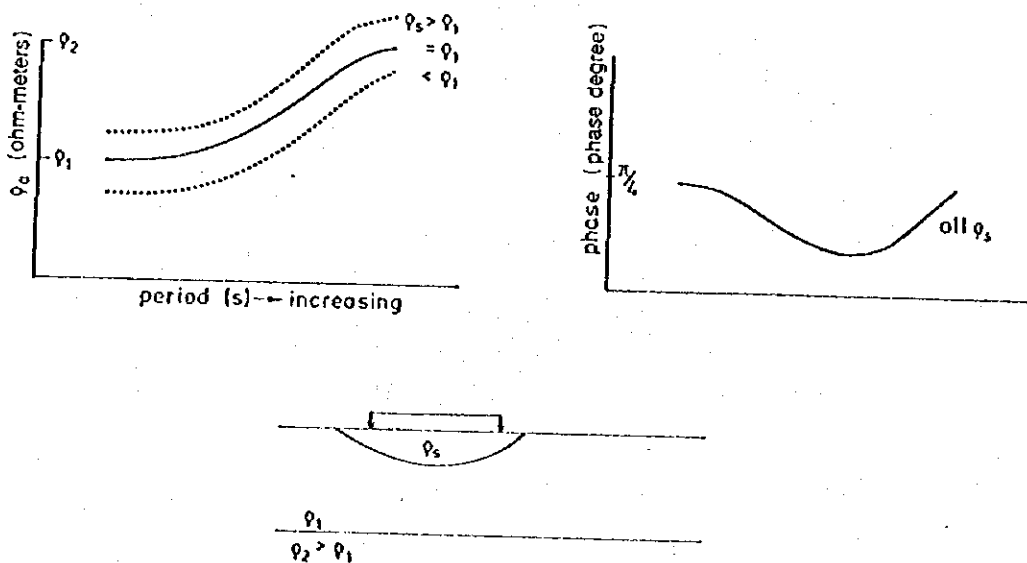


Fig. II-3-5(2) Sketch of model used to explain static effects. The middle apparent resistivity curve is that which would be observed if the inlier had the same resistivity as the layer containing it. (After Sternberg et al., 1985)

### 3-2-2 IP Method

Like the AMT method, the IP method apparent resistivity values are affected by the topography, but conversely to the AMT method, in mountainous terrain the electric current density is high and a high resistivity anomaly is formed, while in valley terrain the electric current density is thin and a low resistivity anomaly is formed. The terrain correction coefficients were calculated by the two-dimensional finite element method considering a point current source. With the IP method which uses the dipole-dipole arrangement as mentioned earlier, as the electric potential is measured by changing the distance between the electrodes, the probability of the occurrence of a local resistivity anomaly is low and the resistivity sections in the direction of the profile which can virtually be read from the pseudosection correspond to the actual resistivity structure, but the correct structure is not shown in the depth direction. Furthermore, chargeability is not affected by the topography, but this does not mean that the points indicated on the pseudosection necessarily show the anomaly points. Also, as anomalies in the shallow zone are accumulated the deeper the chargeability, in many cases they appear as large anomalies. A qualitative interpretation using the pseudosections obtained by the dipole-dipole method explained earlier is the limit. Therefore, in order to carry out a quantitative interpretation, it is necessary to conduct two-dimensional inversion interpretation that takes the topography into account.

### 3-2-3 Two-dimensional Inversion Interpretation

Two-dimensional inversion interpretation is a repetitive interpretation method that combines forward modeling by the finite element method with automatic interpretation by the method of nonlinear least squares. When the subterranean structure cannot be approximated a horizontally multi-layered structure, it is impossible to conduct adequately interpretation by using such as one-dimensional interpretation which cannot take into account the effects of resistivity changes in the profile direction. Therefore it is necessary to use two-dimensional interpretation which can include the effects of resistivity discontinuous boundaries in the profile direction.

Two directions data of apparent resistivity and phase difference which cross each other perpendicularly are measured in AMT method. One of the data ( $\rho_{xy}$ ) is generally rotated in the strike direction of the subterranean structure and the other ( $\rho_{yx}$ ) is rotated in the direction crossing it perpendicularly in accordance with equation (2) or (3), and these are called the TE mode and TM mode respectively. If the subterranean structure is a homogeneous structure or a horizontally multi-layered structure,  $\rho_{xy} = \rho_{yx}$  holds good, but in the case of a two-dimensional structure, in the TE mode, there is no resistivity discontinuous boundary in the measuring direction and approximation is possible as a horizontally multi-layered structure. However, in the TM mode, as the resistivity discontinuous boundary exists in the measuring direction and approximation to a horizontally multi-layered structure is impossible. As the geophysical survey profiles are generally set in the direction running perpendicular to the strike, it is

necessary to carry out two-dimensional interpretation of the measurement data in the profile direction. Even using the IP method with dipole-dipole electrode arrangement, as the electrodes are placed in the direction of the profile, it is desirable to apply two-dimensional interpretation because of the influence of the resistivity discontinuous boundaries in the direction of the profile.

In two-dimensional interpretation, the subterranean structure is divided at resistivity blocks. In the past, a resistivity model was made which applied the presumed resistivity block values, and a comparison was made of the theoretical values calculated from the resistivity model and the actual measured values. Forward modeling was attempted in which a model showing the results nearest to the measured values was assembled by trial and error. But this method had problems, such as the inclusion of the arbitrariness of the interpreter in the interpretation results. The two-dimensional inversion interpretation method used in our interpretation enables objective interpretation results to be obtained without regard for the arbitrariness of the interpreter, by using an automatic repetitive interpretation method where the resistivity values applied to each block are assumed by the method of nonlinear least squares.

In the ATM method, a resistivity block boundaries were established at each measurement point and quadrilateral resistivity blocks were prepared in which the blocks were divided so that they were thin in the shallow zone, gradually becoming thicker towards the deep zone. They were deformed in conformity with the topography of the surface of the earth, forming resistivity blocks whose shape was parallel to the topography in a horizontal direction. When resistivity values are applied to each of these resistivity blocks, the apparent resistivity and phase difference curves at each measurement point are obtained as the surface response corresponding to the subterranean resistivity structure by forward modeling according to the finite element method. To minimize any remaining difference between the surface responses and the measured values, the values of the resistivity blocks were found by automatic repetitive interpretation according to the method of nonlinear least squares. The resistivity block values from the first repetitive interpretation (initial guesses) were taken to show a subterranean homogeneous structure with the same resistivity values and the influence of the initial values on the interpretation results was eliminated.

In the IP method, a resistivity block boundaries were established for each electrode (however, as the measurement data density becomes less at either end of the profile, two electrodes were set up on one block), and after the quadrilateral blocks had been prepared, thinner in the shallow zone and gradually becoming thicker towards the deep zone, interpretation was conducted following the same routine as for AMT inversion interpretation explained earlier.

#### **3-2-4 Two-Dimensional Joint Inversion Interpretation**

This is an interpretation method based on two-dimensional inversion interpretation to find the subterranean resistivity structure which most closely approximates at the same time both the measurement data obtained by the dipole-dipole method and the measurement data obtained by the AMT method.