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THE SEDIMENTOLOGY OF CARBONIFEROUS FLUVIAL AND DELTAIC SEQUENCES;

THE ROACHES GRIT GROUP OF THE SOUTH-WEST PENNINES

AND THE PENNANT SANDSTONE OF THE RHONDDA VALLEYS

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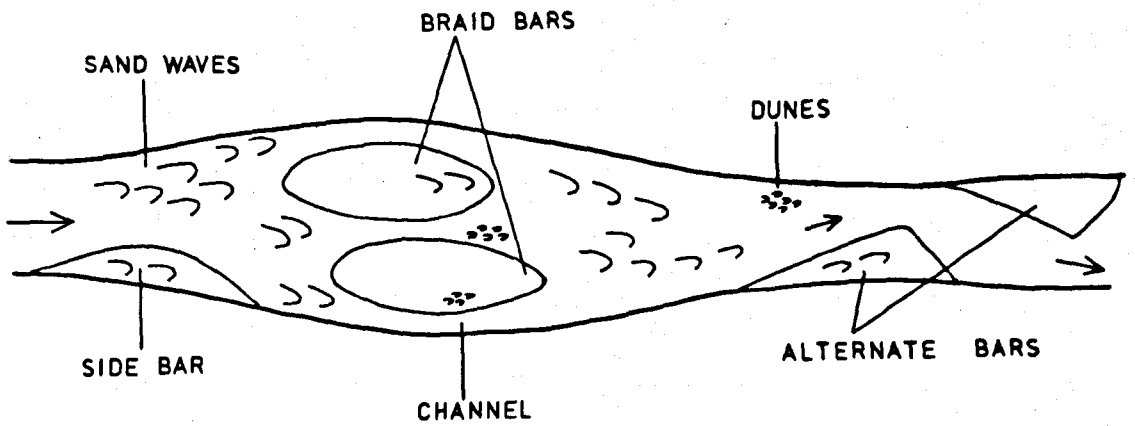
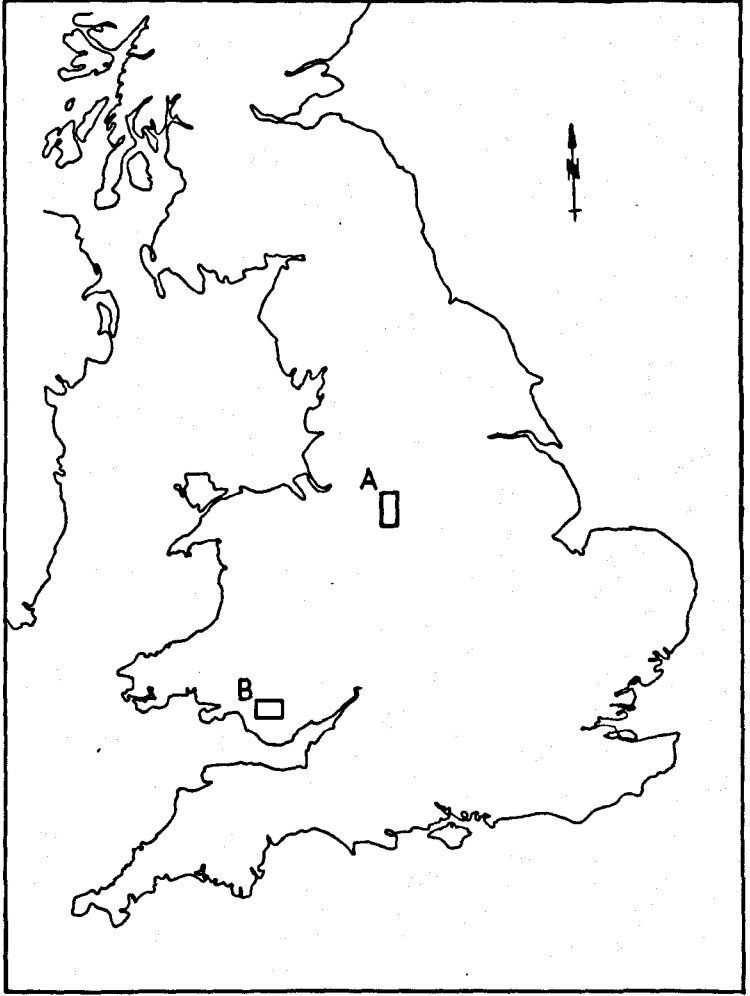
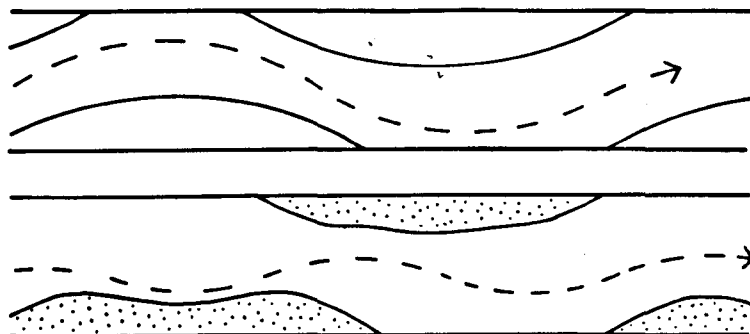


Fig.3. Main types of non-meandering river channels.

- A. Straight channel At high stage the thalweg meanders between side bars or alternate bars. At low stage the thalweg has a smaller wavelength and the side bars are eroded.
- B. Braided channel At high stage there is only one channel covered with linguoid sand waves. At low stage the sandwaves are emergent, splitting the flow into many smaller components.
- C. Multiple channel braided river At high stage the flow is split into two or more separate channels by islands or braid bars.

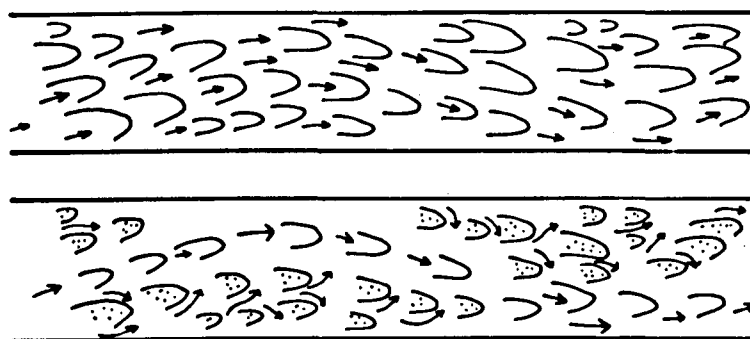
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HIGH STAGE

LOW STAGE

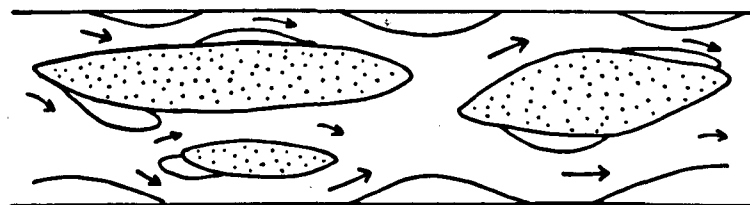
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Fig.4. Annual discharge hydrographs of the Platte, Tanna and Brahmaputra Rivers. After Smith (1974) Norges Vassdrags-og Elektrisitetsvesen (1958), and Coleman (1969).

- Fig.5. Possible sedimentary responses for dunes with different rates of fall of discharge.
- A. Very slow rate of fall. Large dunes are replaced by smaller ones, producing a thinning upwards coset.
 - B. Slow rate of fall. Newly formed dunes are smaller producing a mixed population. With net sedimentation some sets in the upper part of the sequence are smaller.
 - C. Moderate rate of fall. Dunes are washed out and replaced by ripples. Coset of ripple lamination overlies a coset of trough cross-bedding.
 - D. Rapid rate of fall. Dunes become inactive but their shapes are preserved. These are covered with mud during low stage.

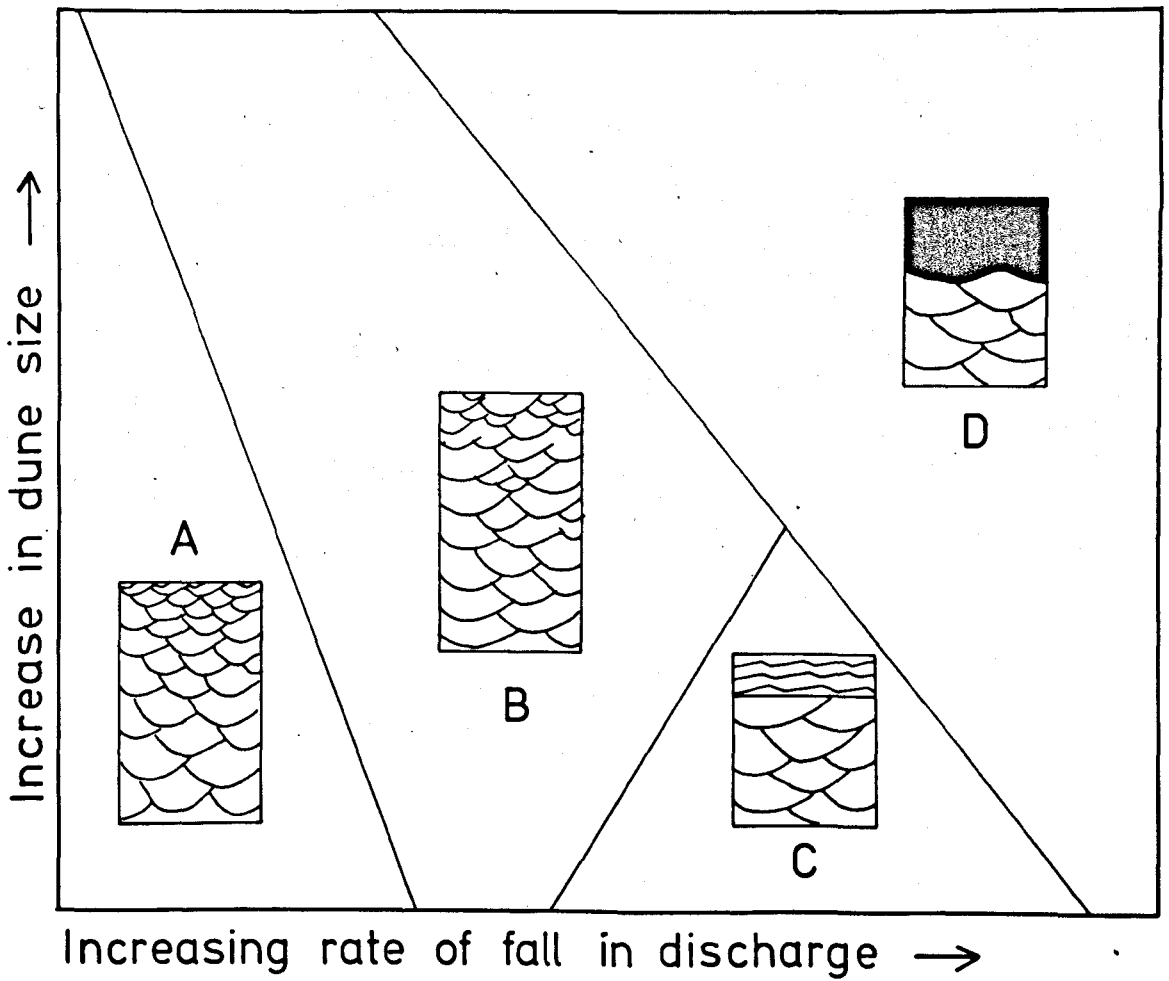
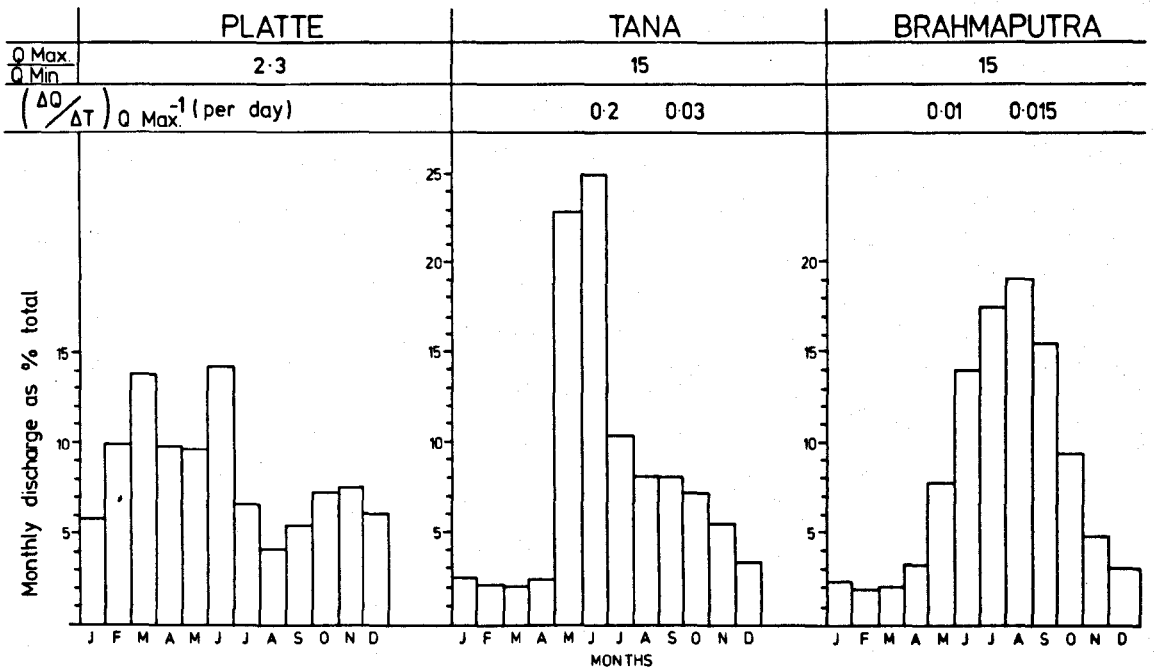


Fig.6. Possible sedimentary responses for sandwaves with different rates of fall of discharge.

- A. Slow rate of fall. Large sandwaves are replaced by smaller ones producing a thinning upwards coset.
- B. Moderate rate of fall. Smaller sandwaves are superimposed on the now inactive large ones. Multiple convex up erosion surfaces are produced within the foresets of the larger bedform.
- C. Rapid rate of fall. Flow around the front of the bedform erodes the slip face and deposits a coset of small trough cross-bedding or ripple-lamination.

Fig.7. Vertical section through the bed of the Frazer River during a flood showing the increase in the size of the bedforms and superimposition during falling stage. Length of reach about 670m. After Pretious and Blench (1951).

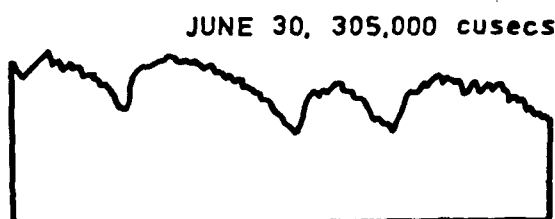
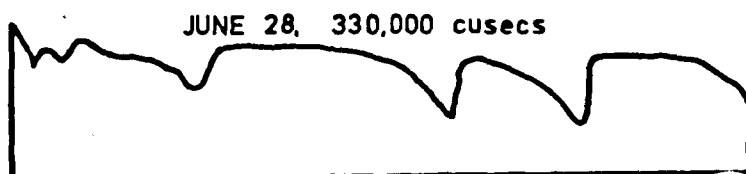
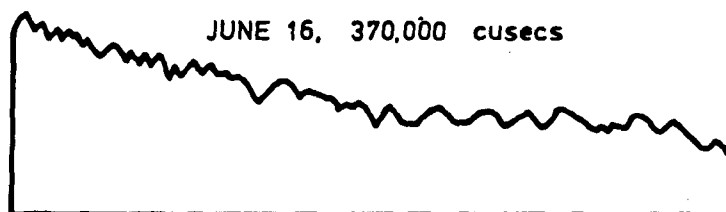
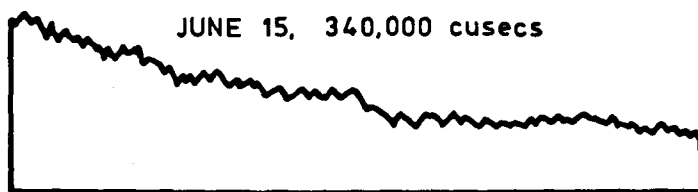
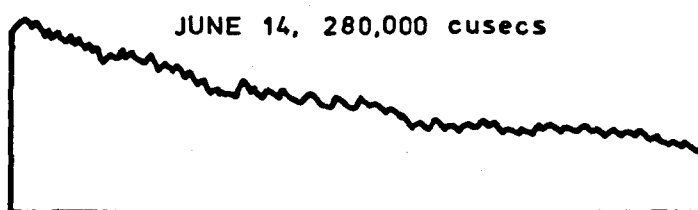
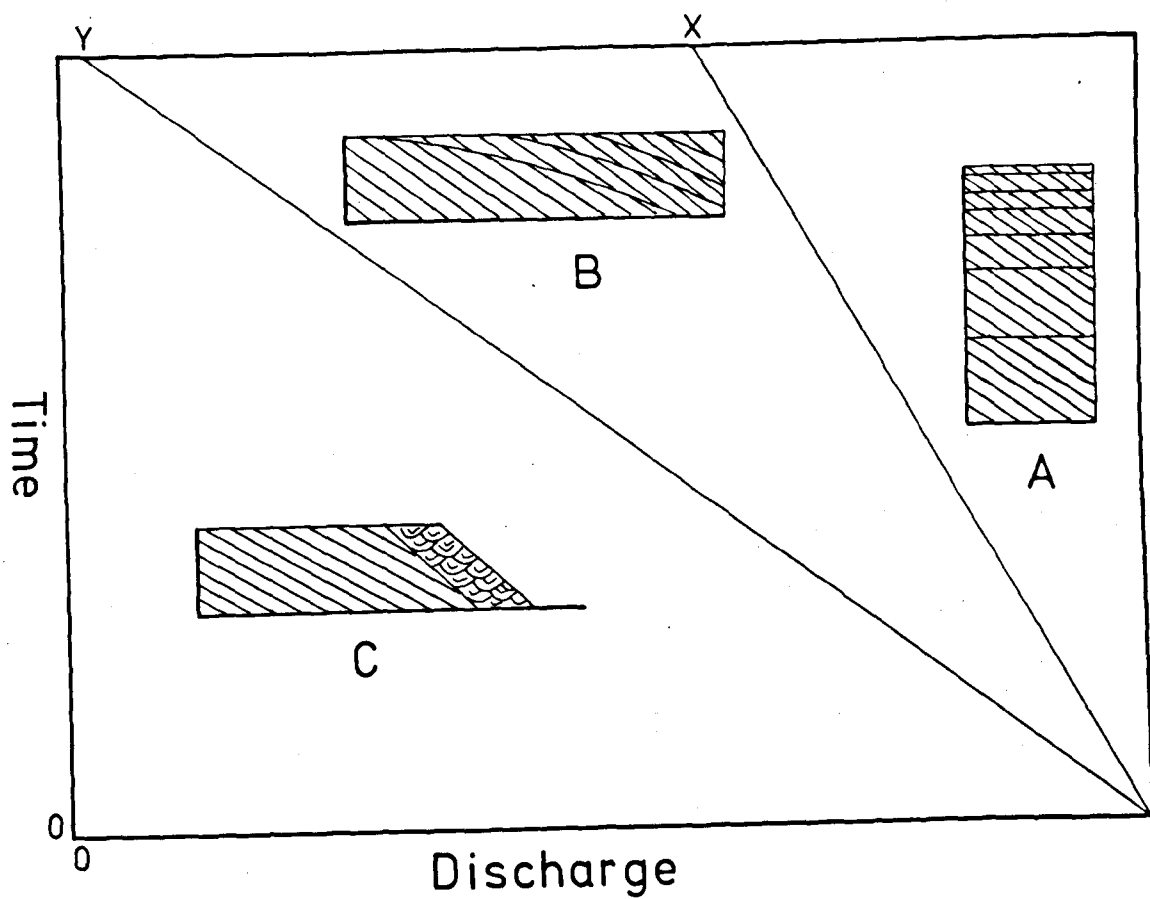


Fig.8.

The formation of convex upwards erosion surfaces in flume experiments with an artificial delta and superimposed ripples.

- a. Ripple approaching the delta crest.
 - b. The same ripple moving down the delta slope and being washed out by the separation flow in front of the succeeding ripple.
 - c. The same process further advanced.
 - d. The ripple has now been completely removed and the next ripple is beginning to descend the delta slope. The separation flow in front of this has cut a convex up erosion surface.
 - e. This ripple is now being eroded by the separation flow in front of a third ripple. The lower part of the convex up erosion surface will be preserved.
- (After McCabe and Jones, 1977)

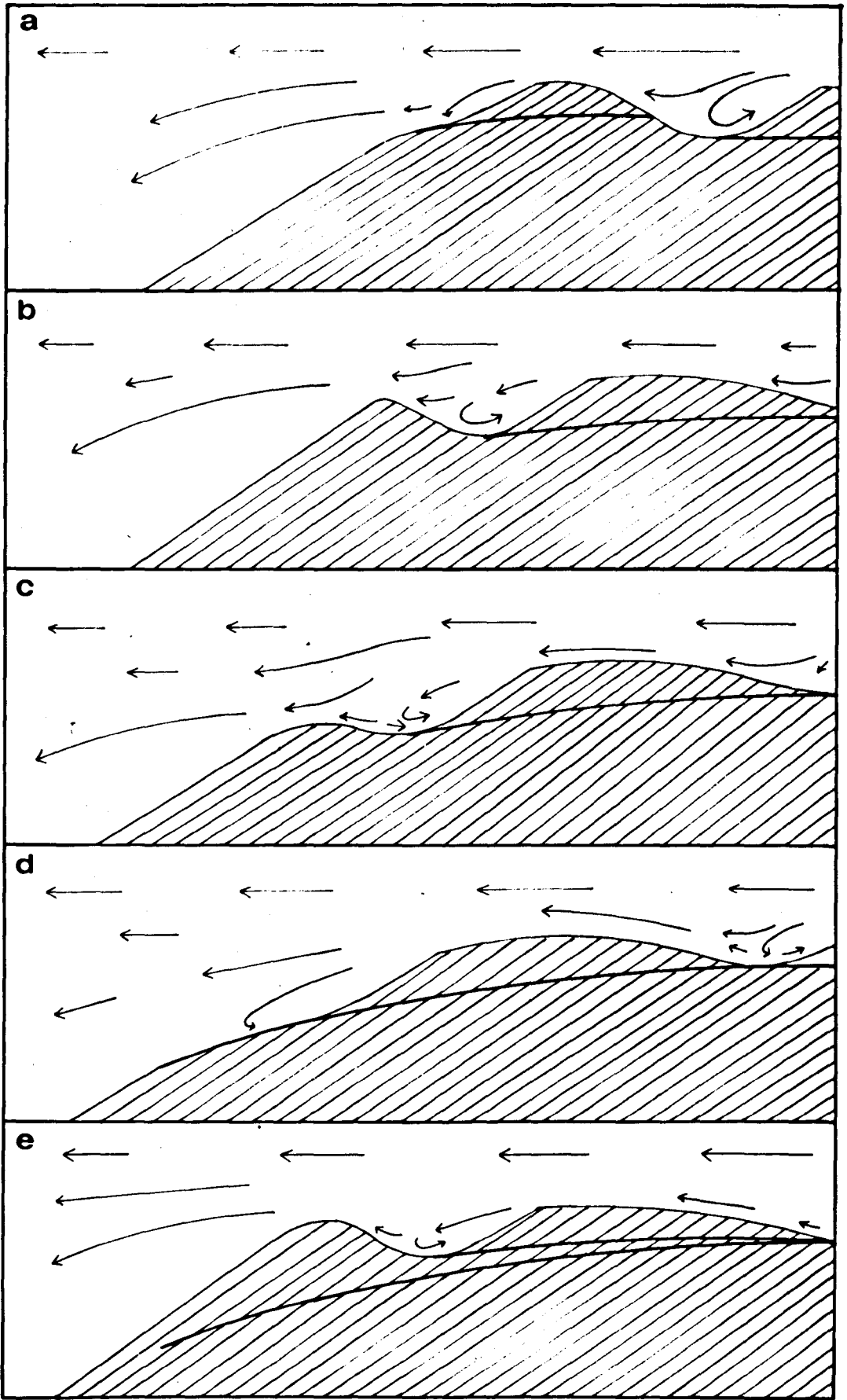


Fig.9. Plan view of a straight channel with alternate bars:

A - At high stage.

B - During falling stage. With less water in the channel the thalweg has a smaller wavelength and the alternate bars are eroded.

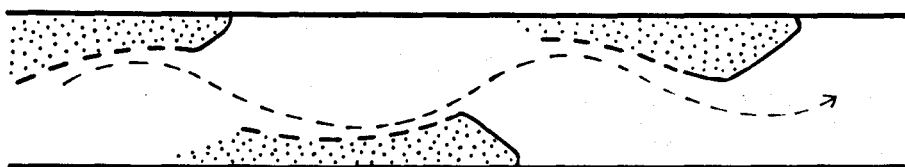
C - During the succeeding high stage the bars are reactivated.

Fig.10. Section through an alternate bar, showing erosion and reactivation of the bar during the three stages shown in Fig.9.

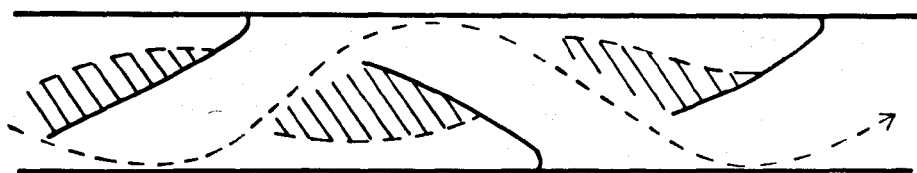
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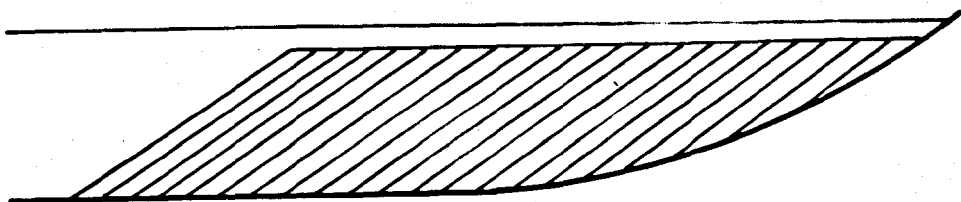
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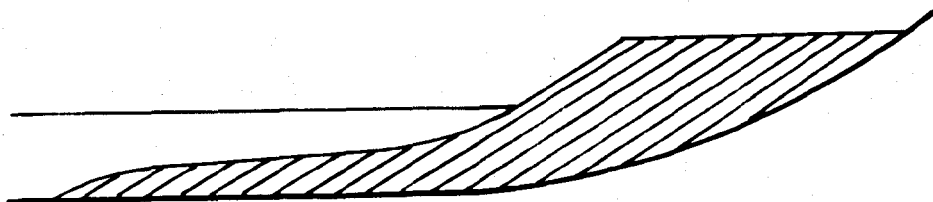
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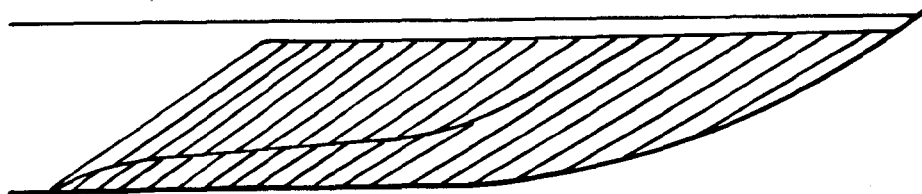


Fig.11. The construction of a 'sand trumpet' during falling stage, after Nedeco (1959).

Fig.12. The process of channel abandonment in braided rivers with semi-permanent islands. The flow splits into two components forming an island in the middle (1). The main thalweg flows along one channel (2), but this is blocked off by a side bar moving down the river diverting the main flow into the hitherto minor channel (3). A permanent shift in the course of the river preserves the channel abandonment sequence (4).

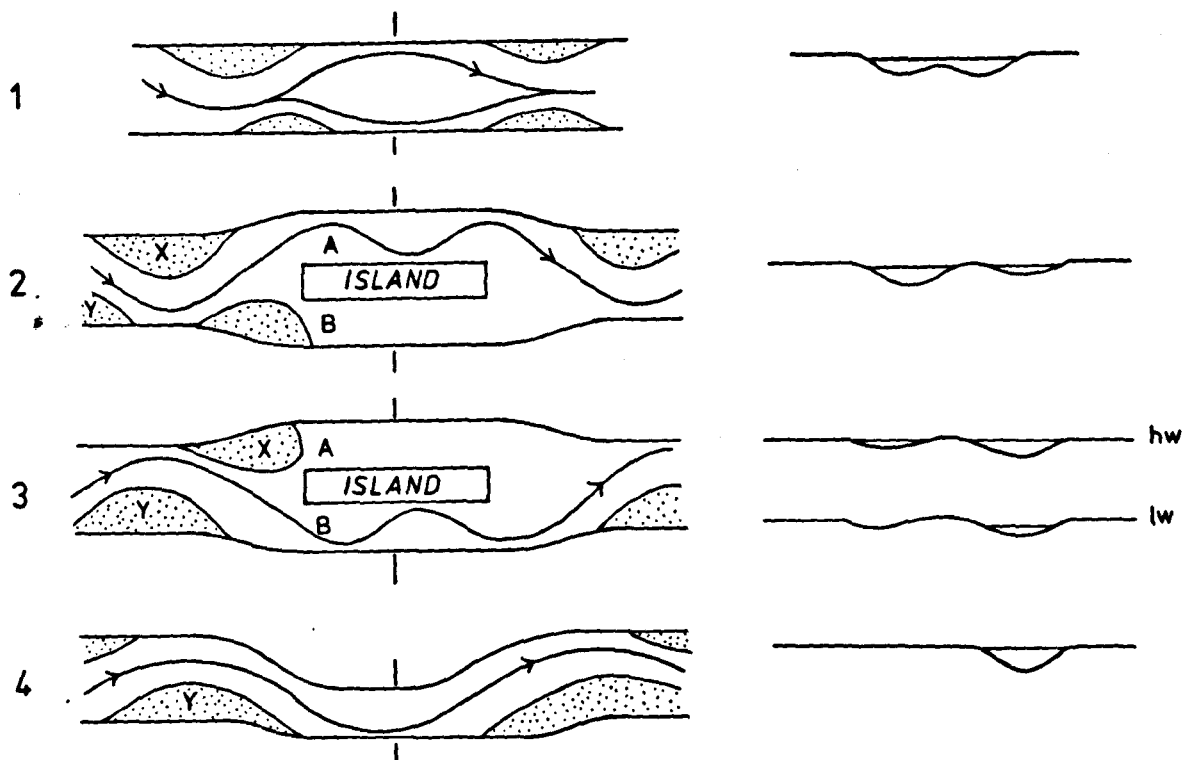
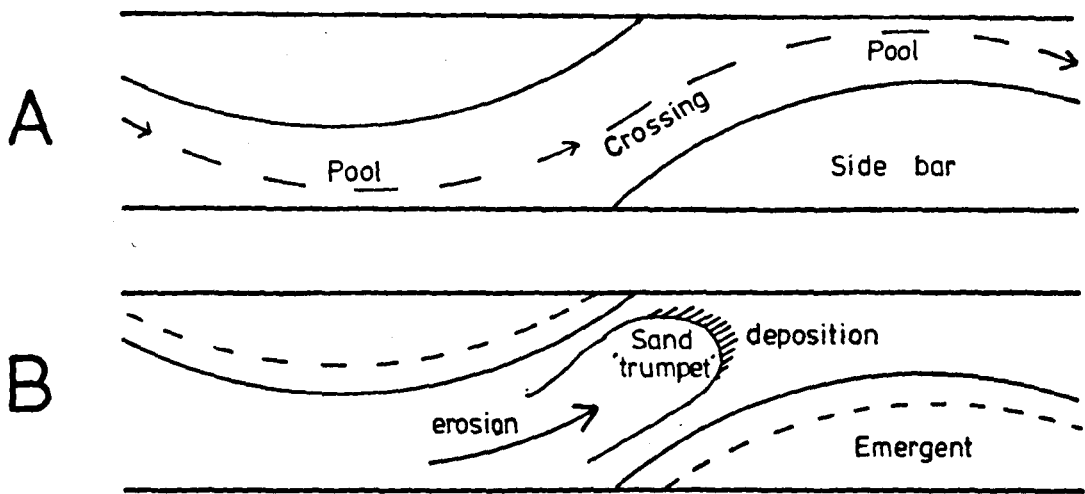


Fig.13. River bed scour during floods in A, the Colorado River and B, the Yellow River. After Leopold, Wolman and Miller (1964), and Freeman (1922).

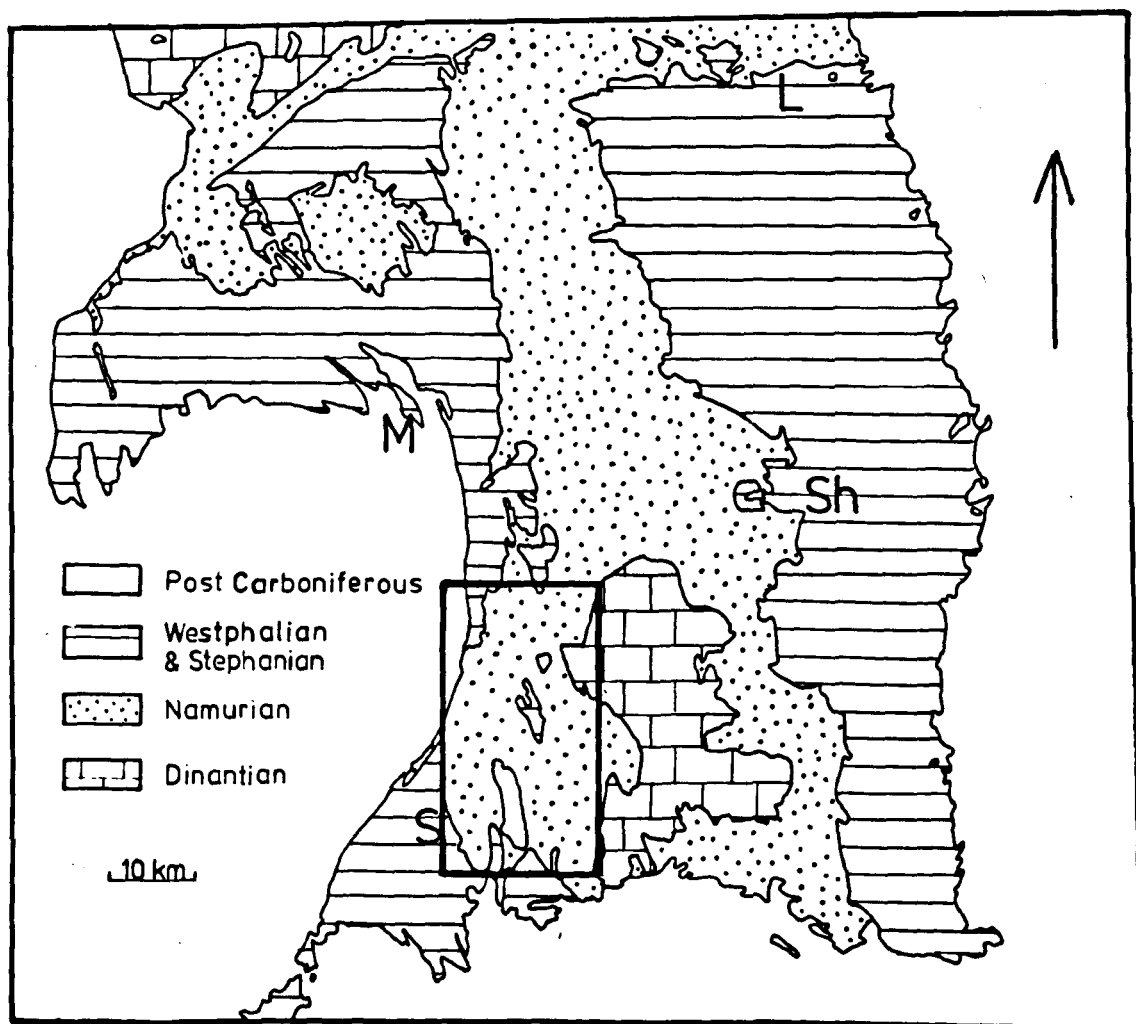
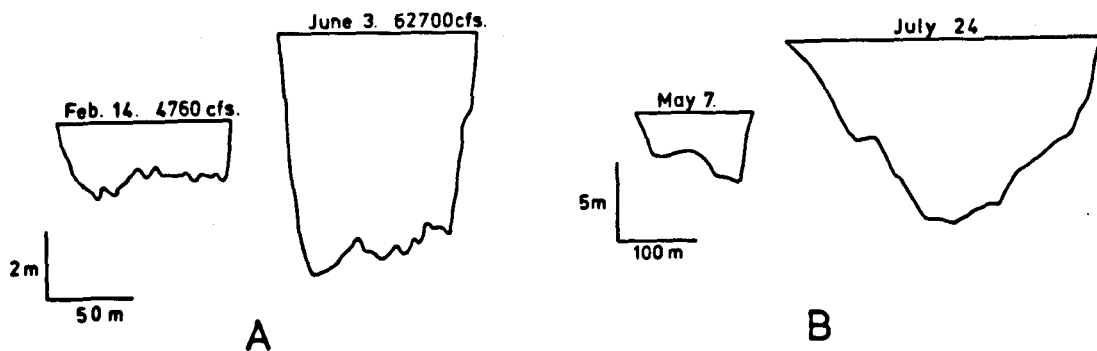
Fig.14. Geological map of northern England showing location of research area covering the Roaches Grit Group.

S - Stoke

Sh - Sheffield

M - Manchester

L - Leeds



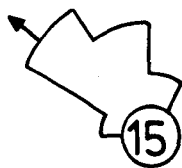
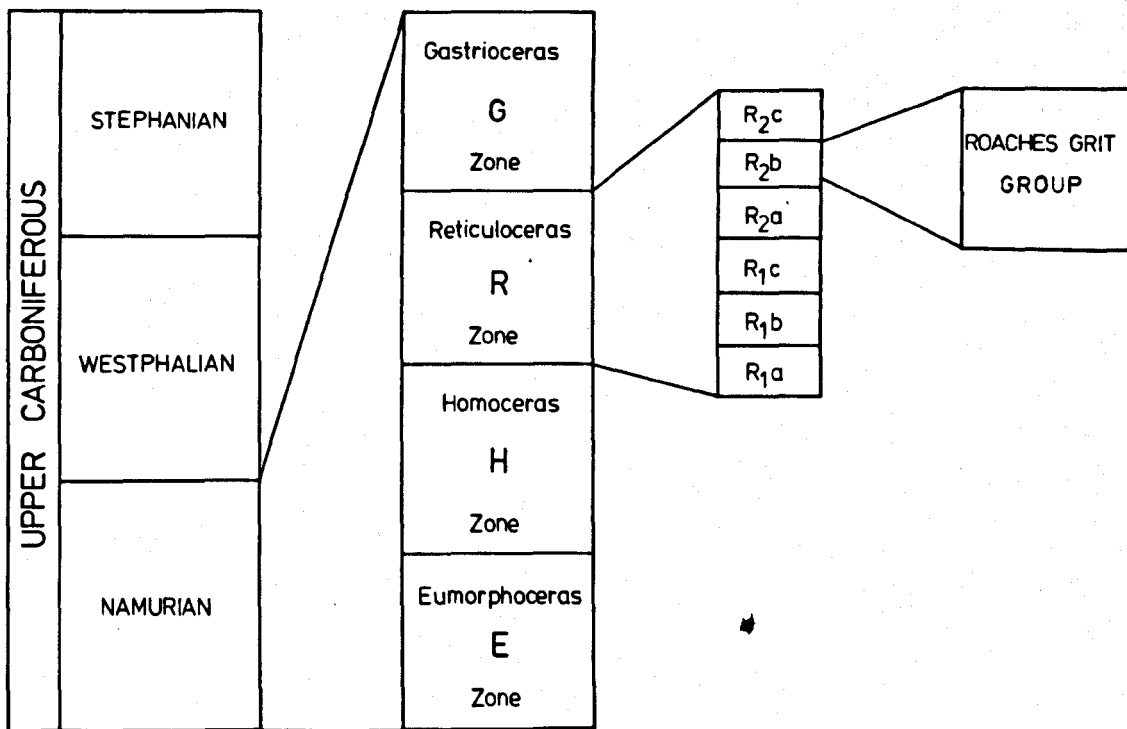
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Fig.15. Detailed geological map of the research area showing the outcrop of the sandstones in the Roaches Grit Group. (Pullout at end of thesis).

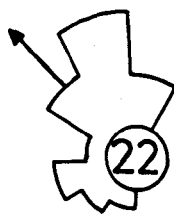
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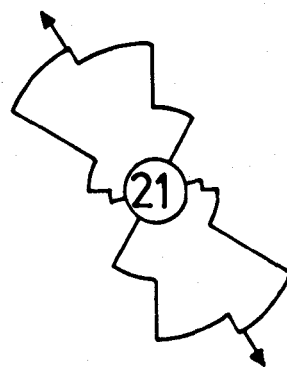
- A. Bottom structures, directions known.
- B. Ripples.
- C. Bottom structures, direction unknown.



A



B



C

Fig.18. Major vertical sections in the Roaches Grit Group.

Purple. Deep Water Association..

Green. Delta Slope Association.

Orange. Upper Slope and Delta Top Association.

Red. Delta Margin Association.

The inset shows the location of the sections and the main regional variations which are explained in the text. (Pull out at end of thesis)

Fig.19. Detailed vertical sections in turbidites.

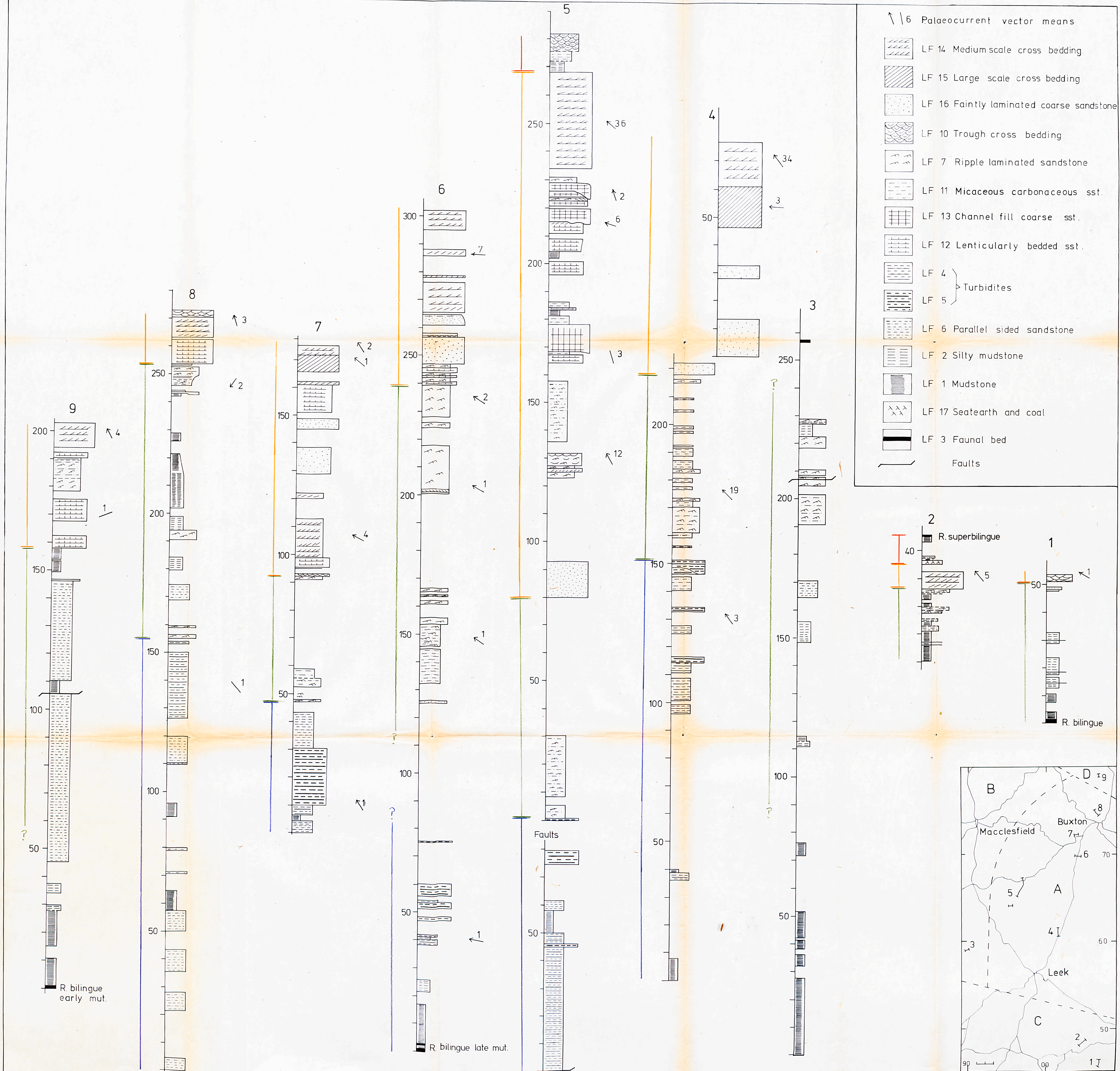
A. Quarry near Bridgehouse Farm (SK 0368 7200).

B. Stream section below Upper Hulme (SK 012 609).

C. Walker Barn Quarry (SJ 952 736).

Individual sandstone beds are shown in white, and lines of mudstone flakes are shown as black dots. Mudstones and siltstones are shown in black.

Vertical scales in metres.



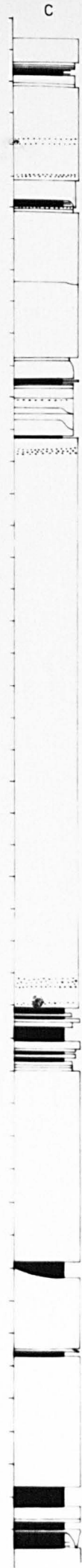
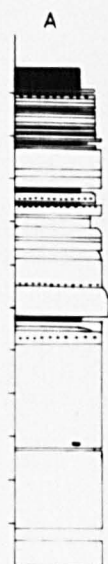
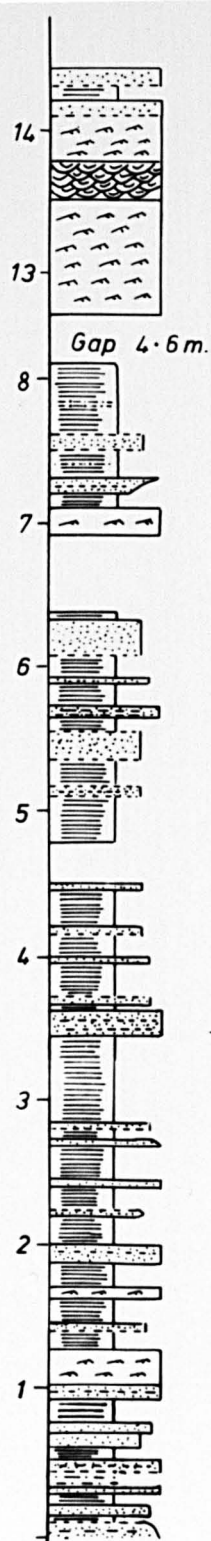
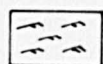


Fig.19a. Detailed vertical sequence in the main Delta Slope Association, showing the typical alteration of LF 7 Ripple-laminated Sandstone and LF 8, Micaceous, Carbonaceous Sandstone.
Bosley (SJ 911 649)
Vertical scale in metres.

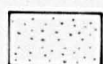
Fig.20. Palaeocurrents from LF 7 Ripple-laminated Sandstone in the main Delta Slope Association.



Trough cross
bedding



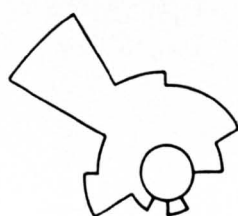
Ripple lamination



Burrowed sst.
mainly ripple lam.



Micaceous carbon-
aceous sandstone



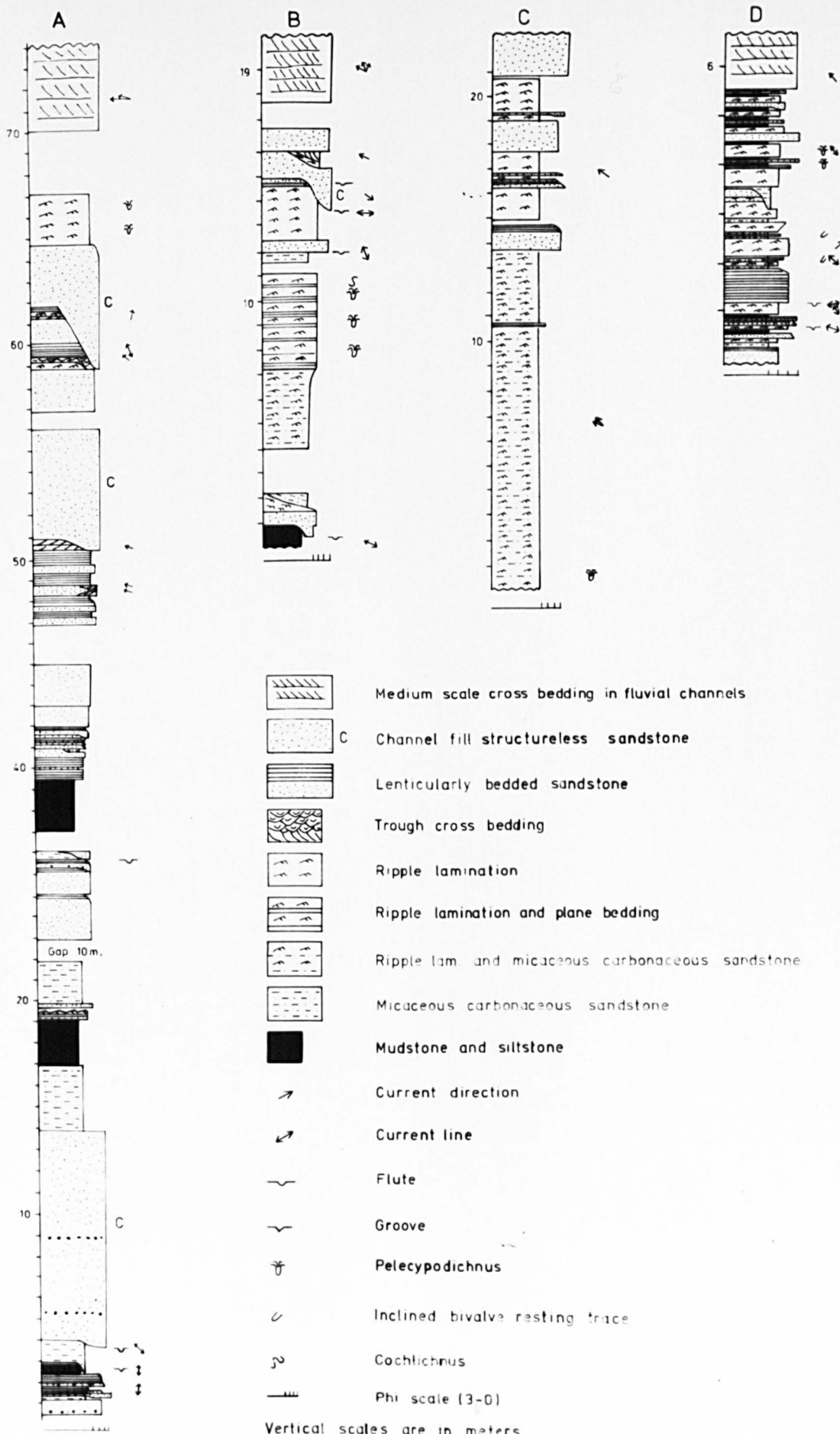
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Fig.21. Detailed vertical sections in the Upper Slope Assemblage of Association C.

- A. River Dane SJ 9706 6622 - SJ 9711 6645.
- B. Hogshaw Brook SK 0547 7490 - SK 0543 7498
- C. Cisterns Clough SK 032 698
- D. Chapel Station Quarry SK 0558 7932

Fig.22. Old quarry near Folly Mill (SJ 9708 6641)
showing LF 12 Lenticularly-bedded Sandstone with
interbedded trough cross bedded and ripple laminated
sandstone.

The upper part of the section is cut out by a channel
filled with coarse grained structureless sandstone of
LF 13. (Pullout at end of thesis.)



CHANNEL FILL



STRUCTURELESS SANDSTONE

EROSION SURFACE

LENTICULAR BEDDING



BEDDING



FAINT LAMINATION



NO STRUCTURE VISIBLE



CROSS LAMINATION



RIPPLE LAMINATION



RIPPLED LATERAL ACCRETION SET

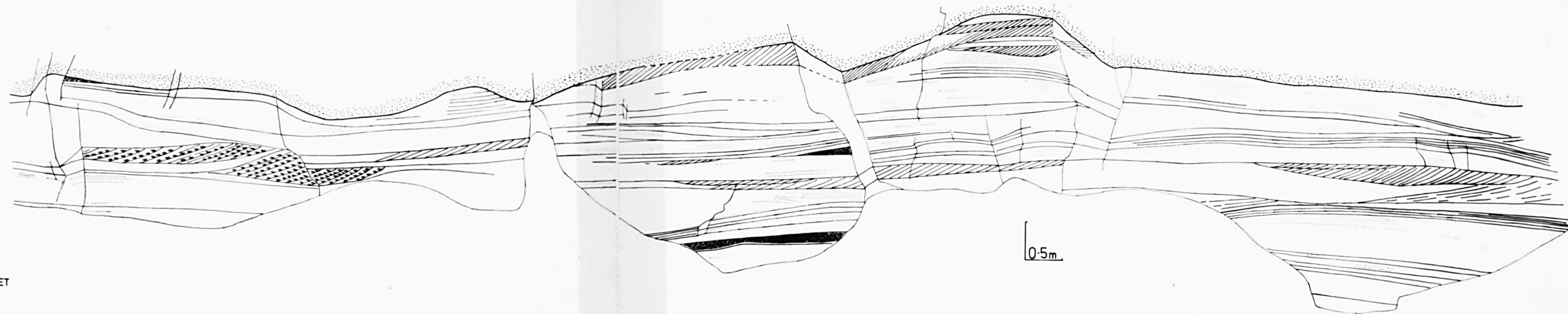


Fig.23. Geological map of the River Dane between Bartomley Bottoms and Gibbons Cliff showing the cut out off the sequence shown in Fig.22A by the overlying coset of Medium Scale Cross-bedding.

Fig.24. Palaeocurrents for Ripple-lamination. Primary Current Lineation and Bottom Structures in the Upper Slope Assemblage of Association C.

- A. Directions known.
- B. Directions unknown.

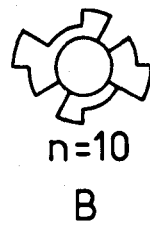
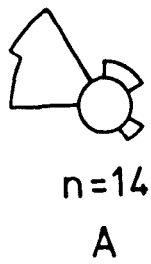
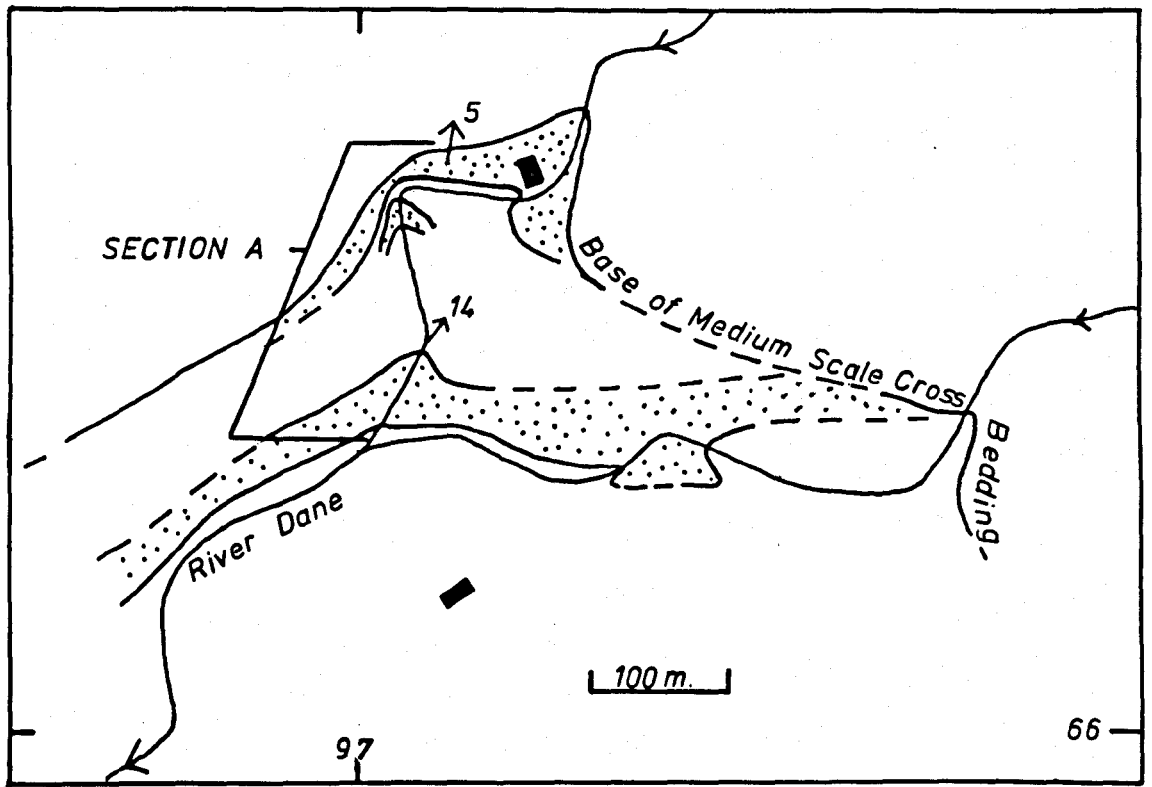


Fig.25. Possible mode of generation of turbidity currents on the upper part of the slope. Rapid accumulation of sand at the mouth bar crest compacts the underlying finer sediment on the upper slope. Water escapes and liquifies the sand (2). This moves down slope as a liquified flow (3). Dilution of the sediment eventually forms a turbidity current (4).

Fig.26. Summary of processes operating on the delta slope and adjacent basin floor.

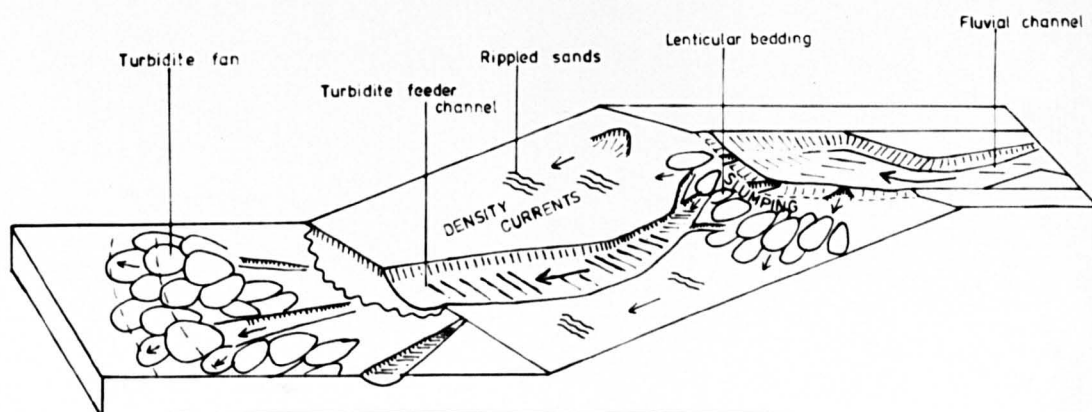
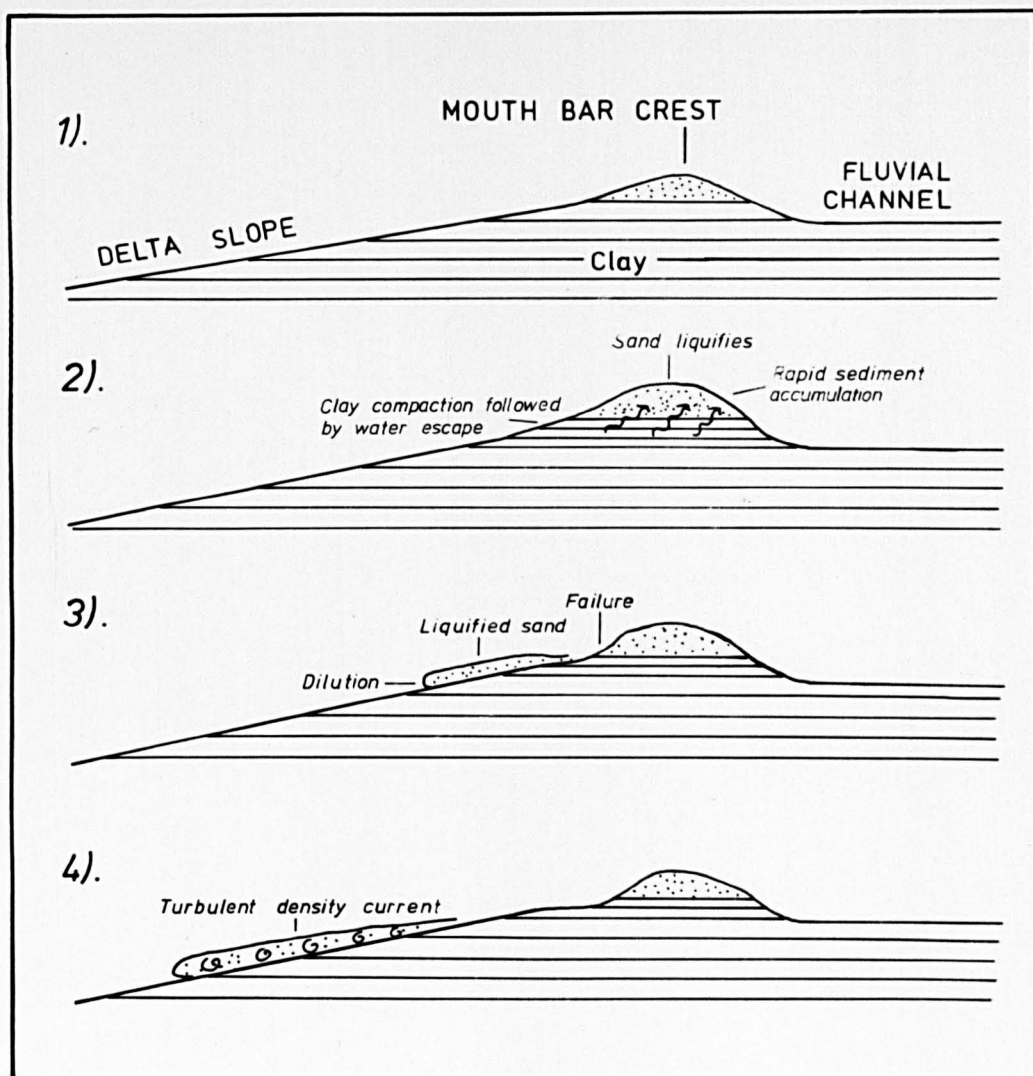
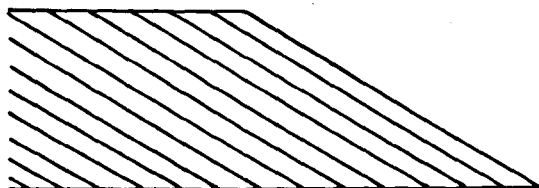


Fig.27. Types of foresets in LF 14 Medium Scale Cross-bedding with the type of leeside eddy responsible.

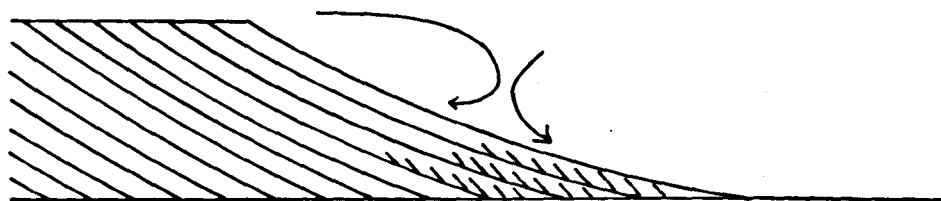
- A. Angular foresets, weak eddy.
- B. Tangential foresets with intrasets directed away from the main foresets.
- C. Tangential foresets with intrasets directed towards the main fore foresets.
- D. Angular foresets with bottomsets.

In B, C and D the reattachment point is progressively further away from the crestline of the main bedforms.

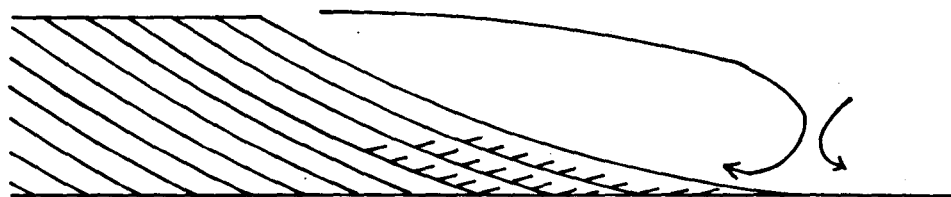
A



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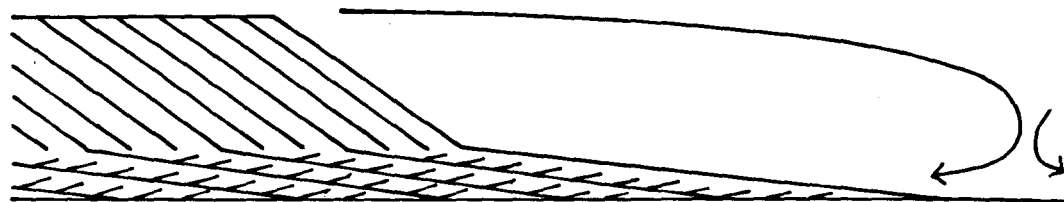
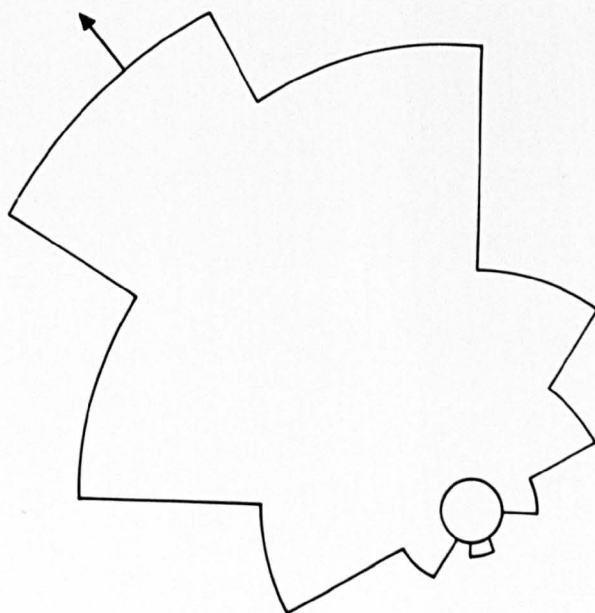
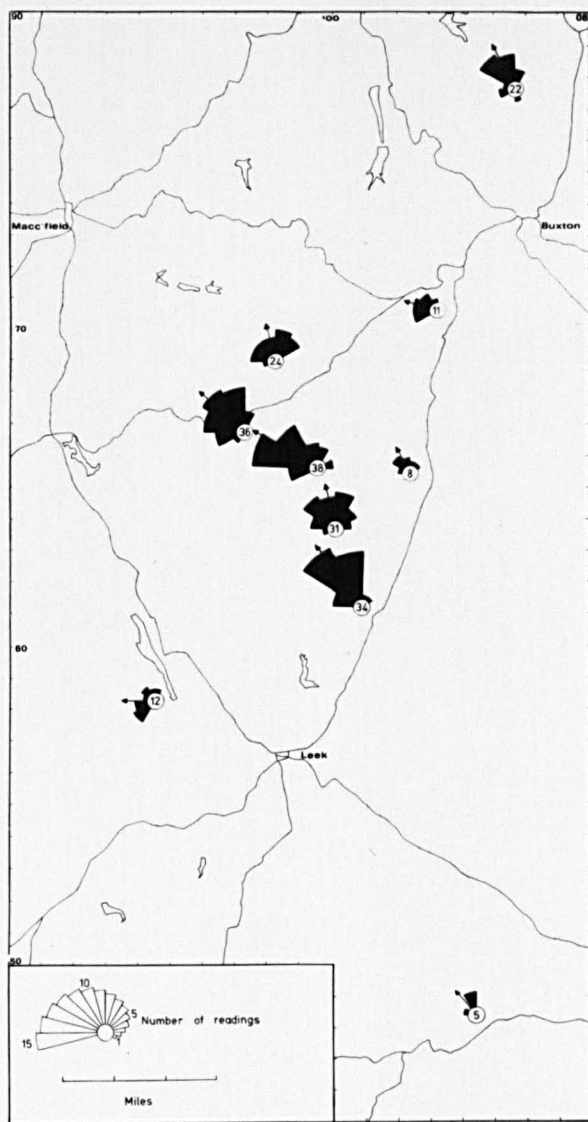


Fig.28. Vector directions from LF 14 MSXB in different areas.

Fig.29. Total pattern of vector directions in LF 14 MSXB.

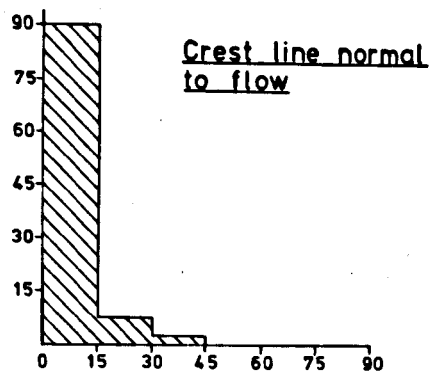


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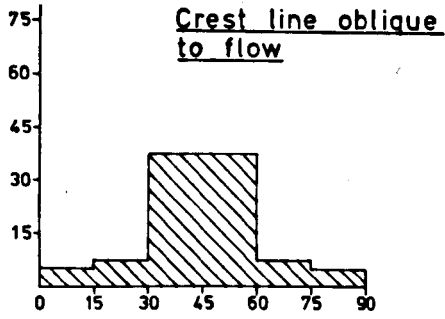
- Fig.30.
- A. Probable orientations of intraset strike with respect to main foreset strike, where the crest line of the major bedform is normal to the mean local flow direction.
 - B. Probable orientations of intraset strike with respect to main foreset strike where the crest line of the major bedform is oblique to the mean local flow direction.
 - C. Orientation of intraset strike with respect to main foreset strike in LF 14, MSXB, in the Roaches Grit Group.

Fig.31. Descriptive terminology for concave and convex internal erosion surfaces in LF 14 and LF 15.

A



B



C

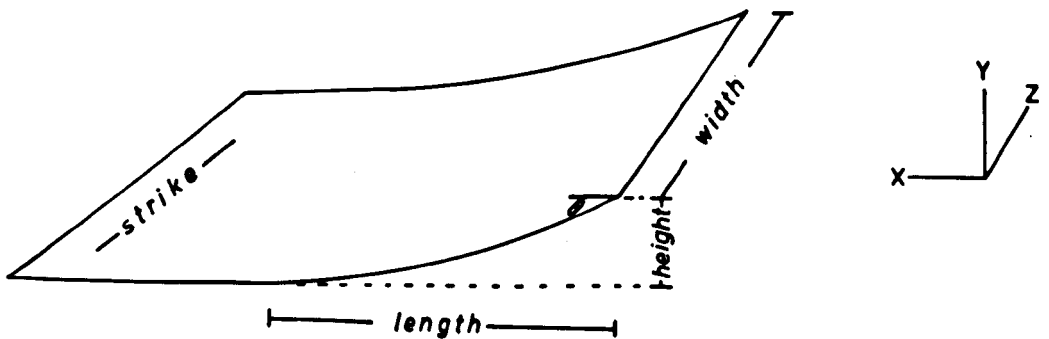
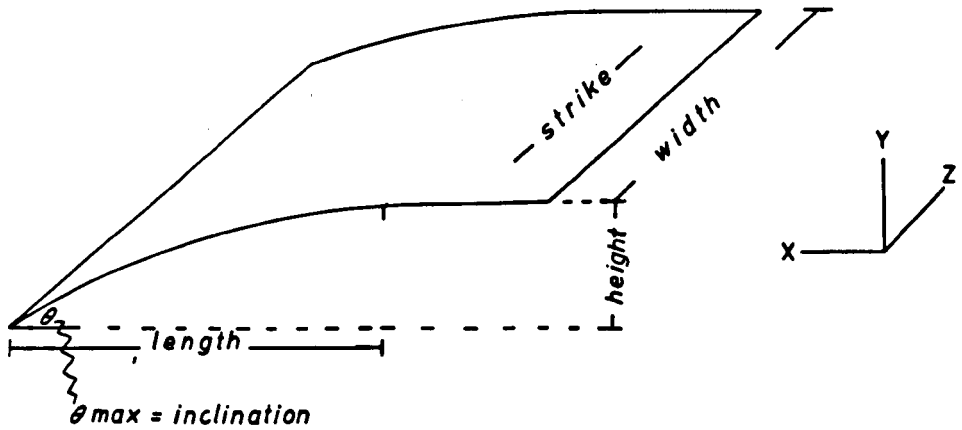
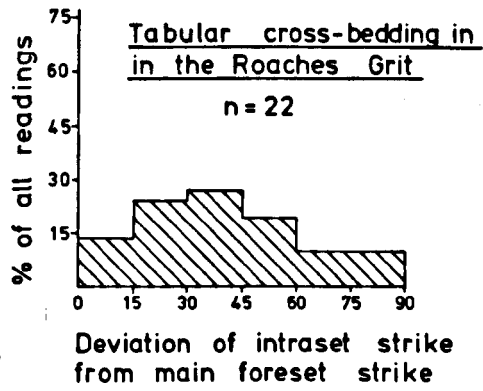
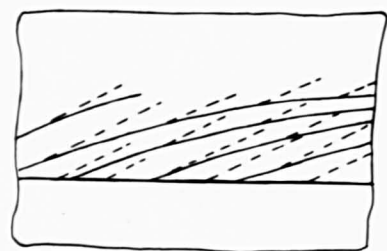
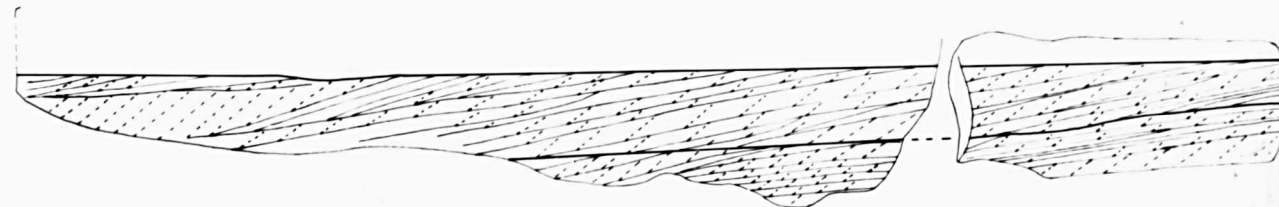
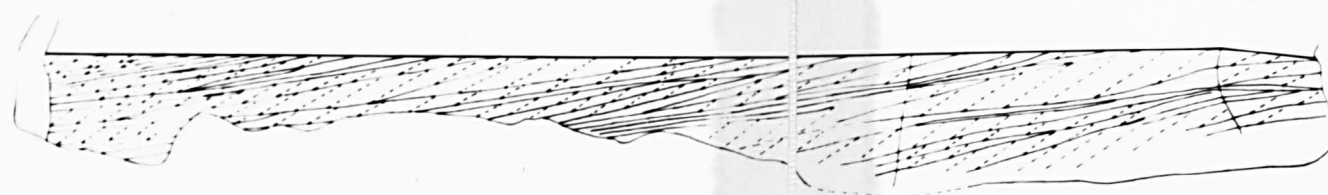
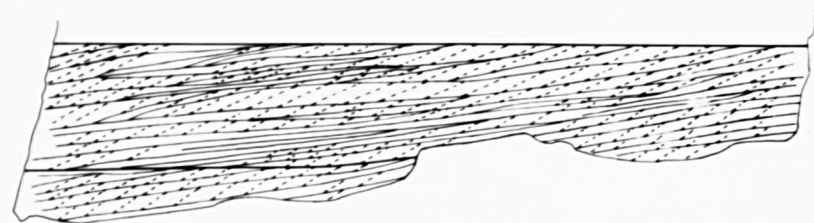


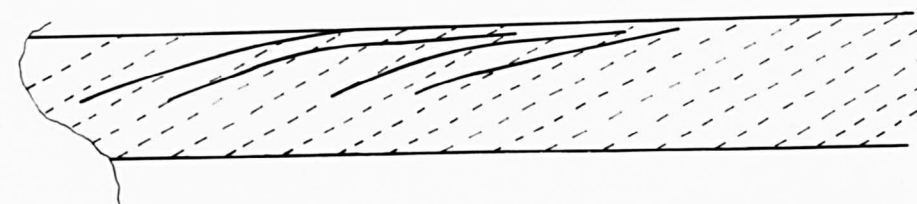
Fig.32. Details of convex upwards internal erosion surfaces in LF 14 MSXB, showing alternations of short, steep inclination types with long, low inclination types. (A photograph of the central section is shown in Plate 31.) Northern end of the Roaches (SJ 9999 6410)
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Fig.33. Details of convex upwqrd's erosion surfaces in LF 14, MSXB showing an increase in length and decrease in inclination down the XY plane. (SK 0003 6380)
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Internal erosion surfaces and
avalanche foresets

Major horizontal erosion
surfaces



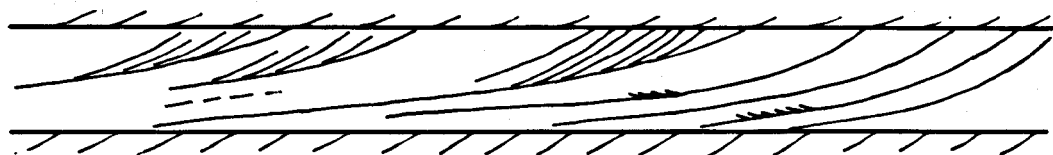
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Fig.34. Types of concave upwards erosion surfaces in LF 14 MSXB. For detailed explanation see text.

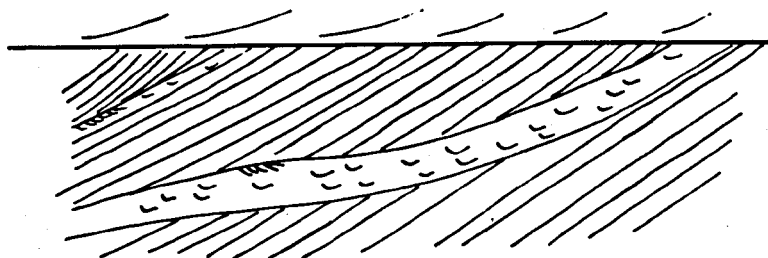
Bar is 1m in length.

- A. Tangential foresets followed by angular foresets.
- B. Erosion surface truncating the foresets and covered by a coset of small scale trough cross bedding. This is succeeded by another group of foresets.
- C. Concave erosion surface which levels out down the XY plane.

A



B



C



Fig.35. Different possible processes of formation of the various types of concave erosion surfaces found in LF 14, MSXB.

A. Erosion during falling stage by currents flowing around the front of the bar, after Collinson 1970.

B. Formation of a new bedform, after Allen 1973.

C. Changes in the strength of the leeside eddy.

Upper diagram, decrease in eddy strength.

Lower diagram, increase in eddy strength erodes the previously deposited foresets.

For detailed explanation see text.

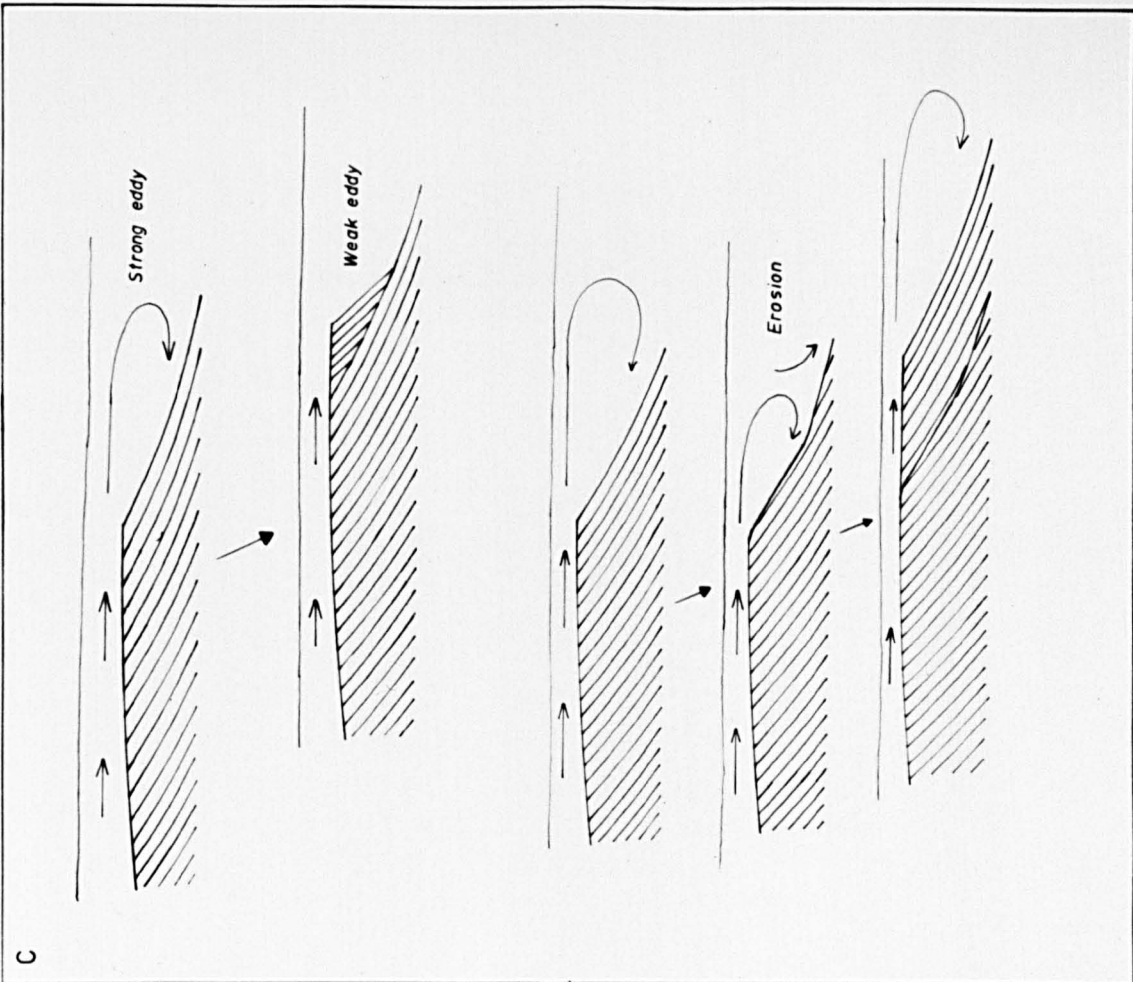
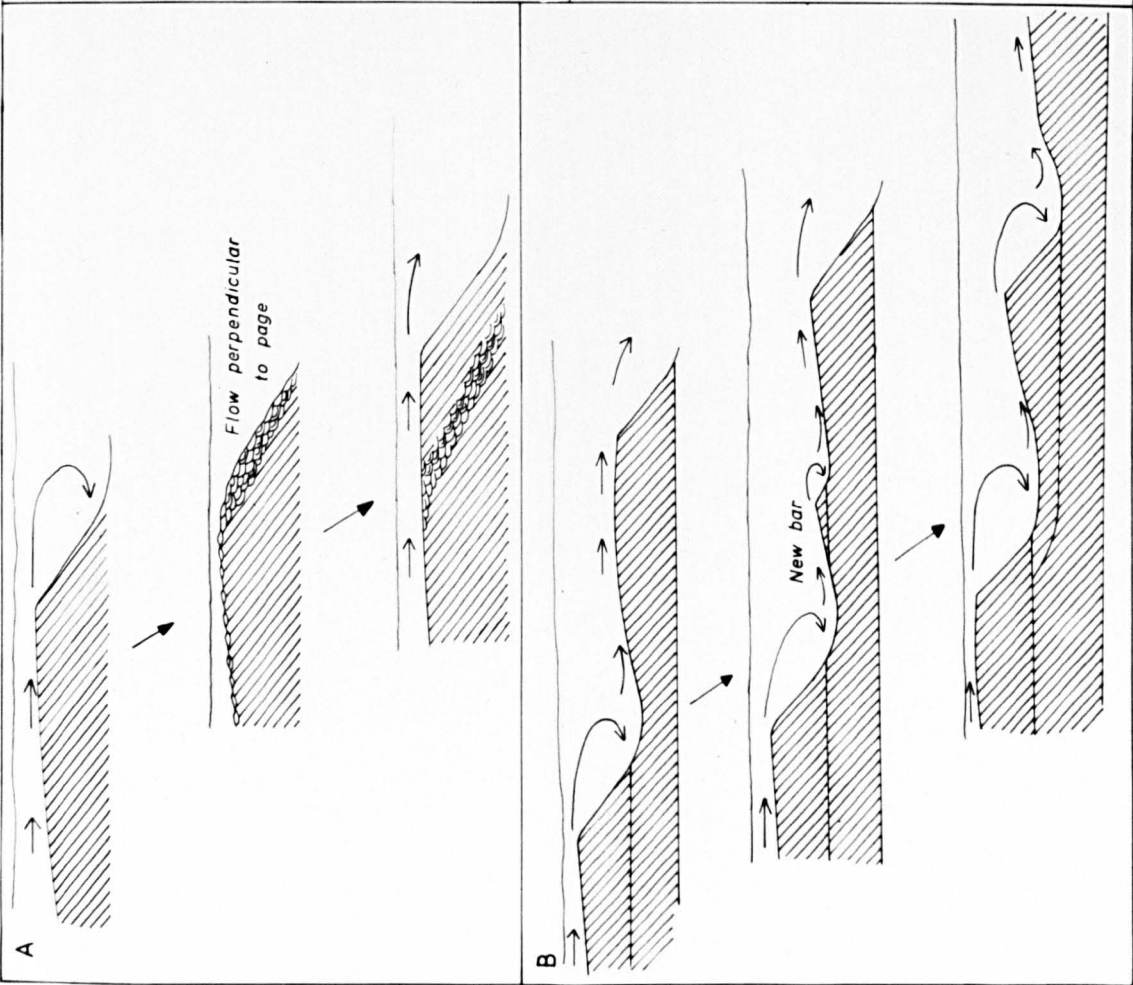
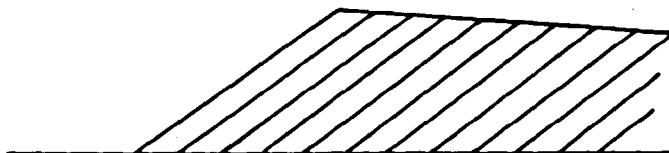


Fig.36. Types of foresets in LF 15 L_{SXB} and possible types of separation eddy responsible. For detailed explanation see text.

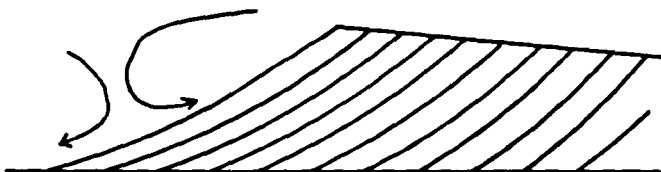
I ANGULAR FORESETS. Thin toesets



Weak separation eddy, slow avalanching

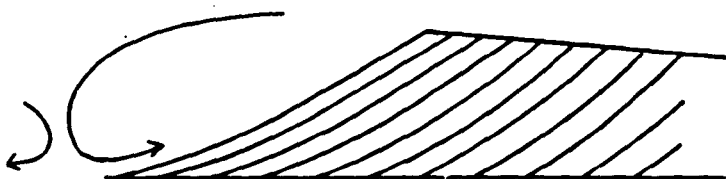
II TANGENTIAL FORESETS

a) Downdipping intrasets



Powerful separation eddy
reattachment on leeward slope

b) Updipping intrasets



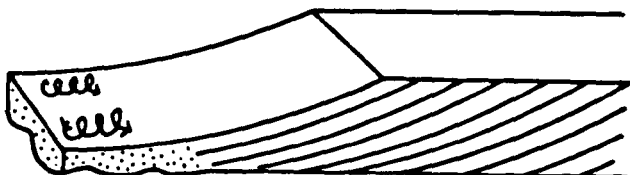
Reattachment in front of leeward slope

c) Obliquely orientated intrasets



Spiral eddy

II DOWNDIP PASSAGE INTO FAINTLY LAMINATED COARSE SANDSTONE



Local intense turbulent cells, probably short lived,
possible corkscrew shape

Fig.37. Main face at Hen Cloud (SK 008 616) showing the detailed structure in LF 15 LSXB.

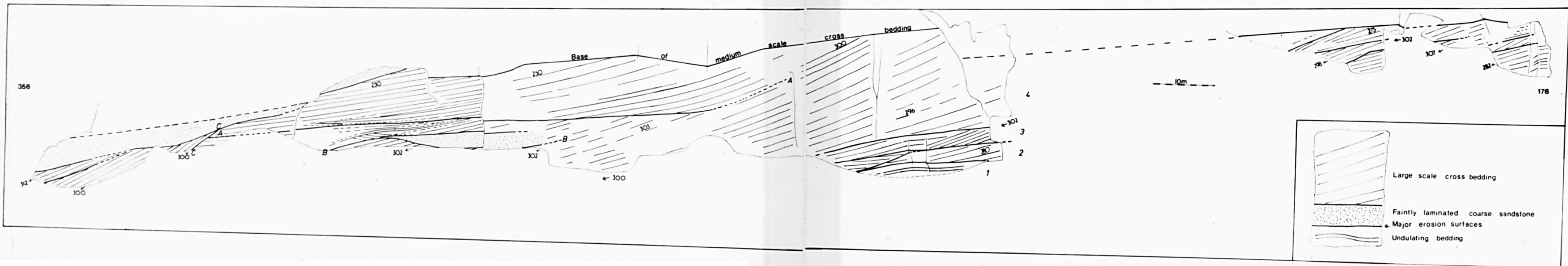
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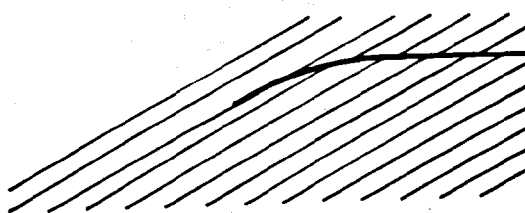
Fig.38. Types of internal erosion surfaces in LF 15 LSXB.

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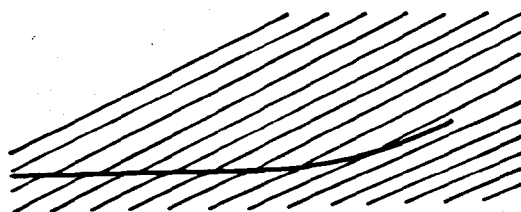
1. Convex upward.
- 2a. Concave upward.
- 2b. Concave upward overlain by a bed of LF 16 FLCs.
- 2c. Concave upward passing into convex upward.
- 2d. Concave upward where the two groups of foresets differ substantially in orientation.



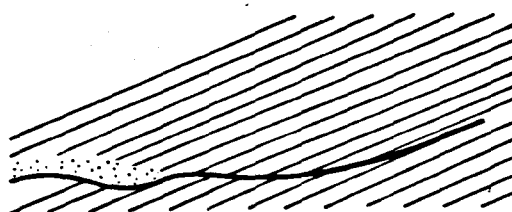
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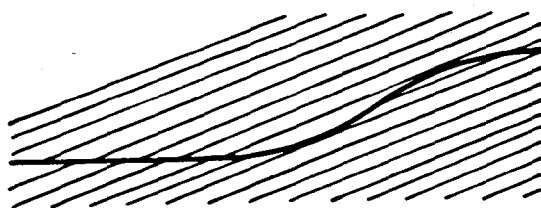
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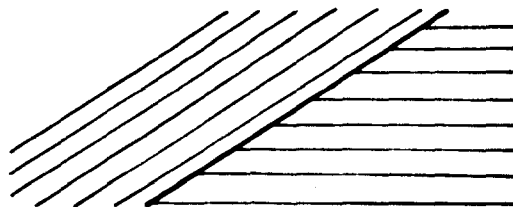
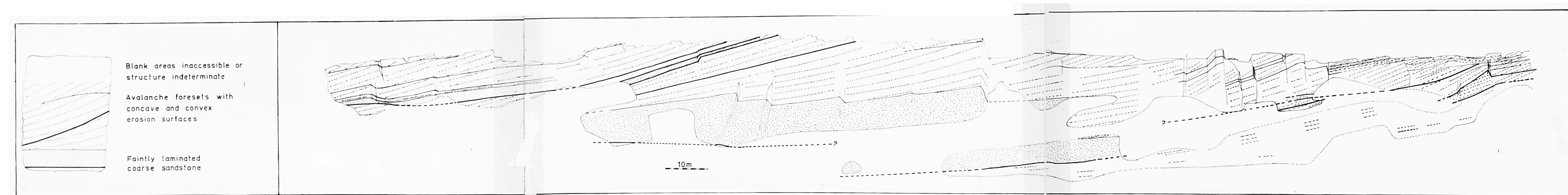
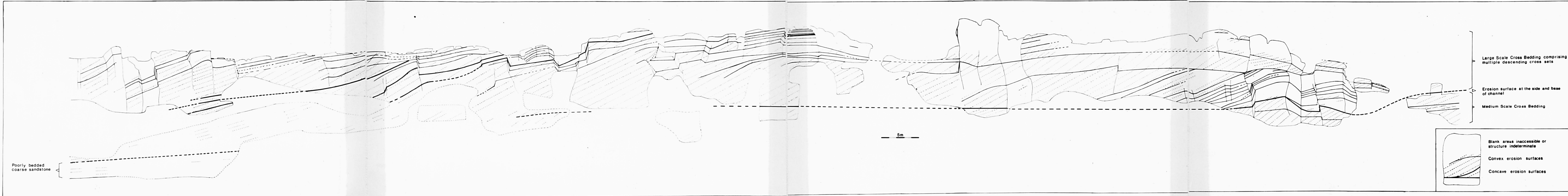
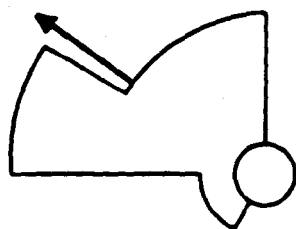


Fig.39. LF 15 Large Scale Cross-bedding at the Roaches
(SK 0045 6270) in the XY plane showing multiple convex
upwards internal erosion surfaces within angular foresets.
Concave erosion surfaces also occur within the set at the
northern end of the outcrop.
Right hand side of diagram overlaps with Fig.45.
Left hand side of diagram overlaps with Fig.40.
For detailed explanation see text.
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Fig.40. LF 15, Large Scale Cross-bedding at the Roaches.
(SK 0040 6275), northerly continuation of Fig.39.
The large sets are mainly tangential and are cut by
a series of concave erosion surfaces. Some sets pass
down current into LF 16, Faintly-laminated Coarse
Sandstone. For detailed explanation see text.
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Fig.41. Vector directions for LF 15 Large Scale Cross-bedding.

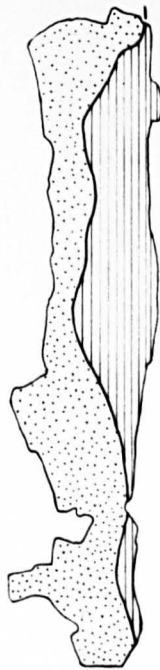




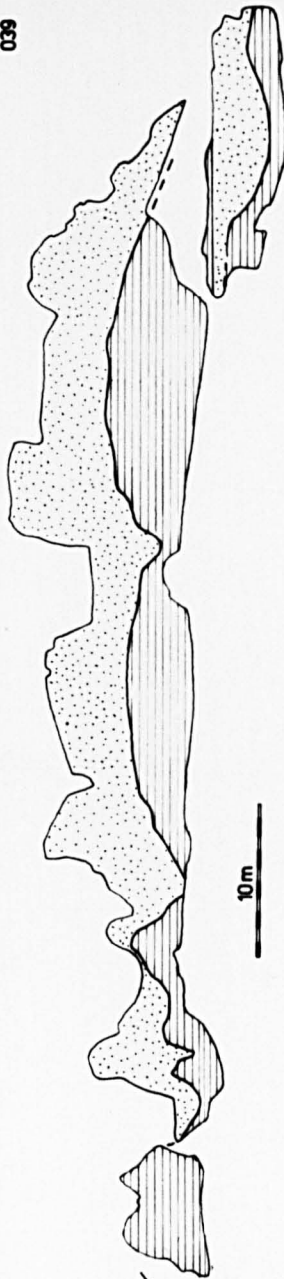
$N = 17$

Fig.42. Sets of LF 15, Large Scale Cross-bedding, seen in the
YZ plane overlain by beds of LF 16 Faintly-laminated
Coarse Sandstone with very irregular and erosive bases.
Ramshaw Rocks (SK 0188 6300)

219



039



-  Faintly laminated coarse sandstone
-  Large scale cross bedding (strike section)

Fig.43. a, b, c.

Structures in LF 16, Faintly-laminated Coarse Sandstone.

See also Plates 43 and 44.

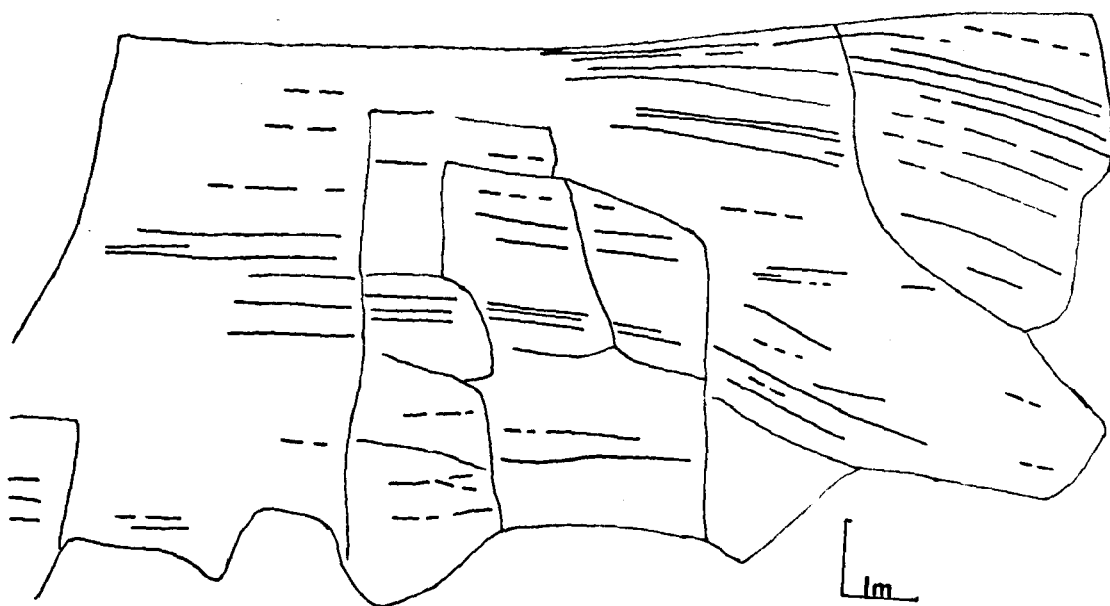
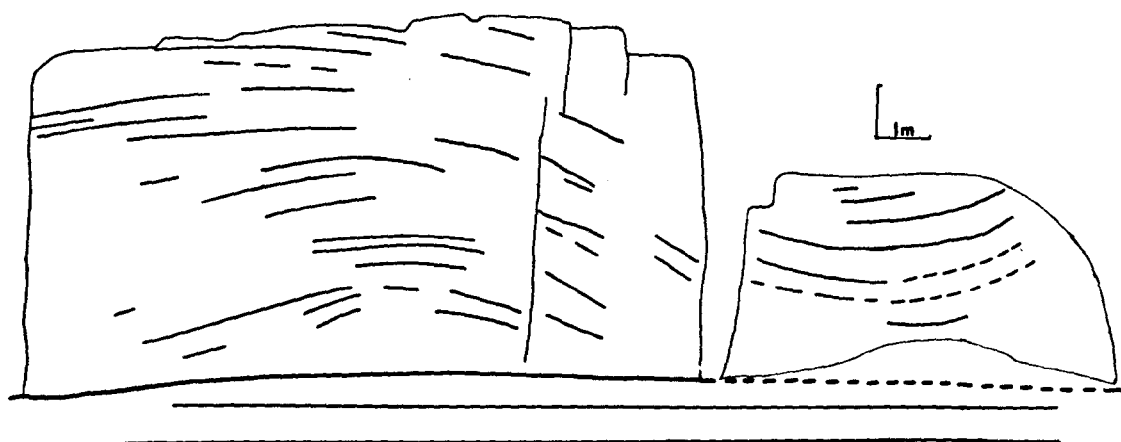
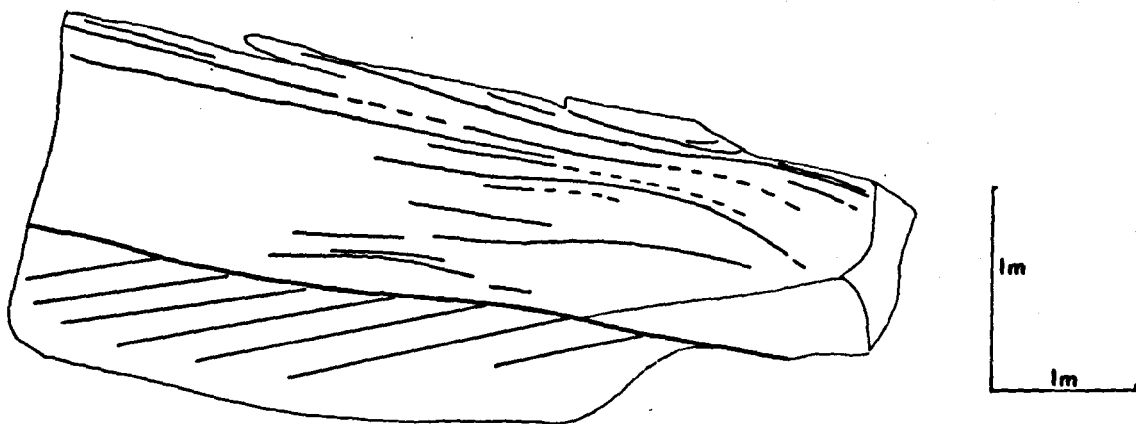


Fig.43. d, e.

Structures in LF 16, Faintly-laminated Coarse Sandstone.

See also Plate 45.

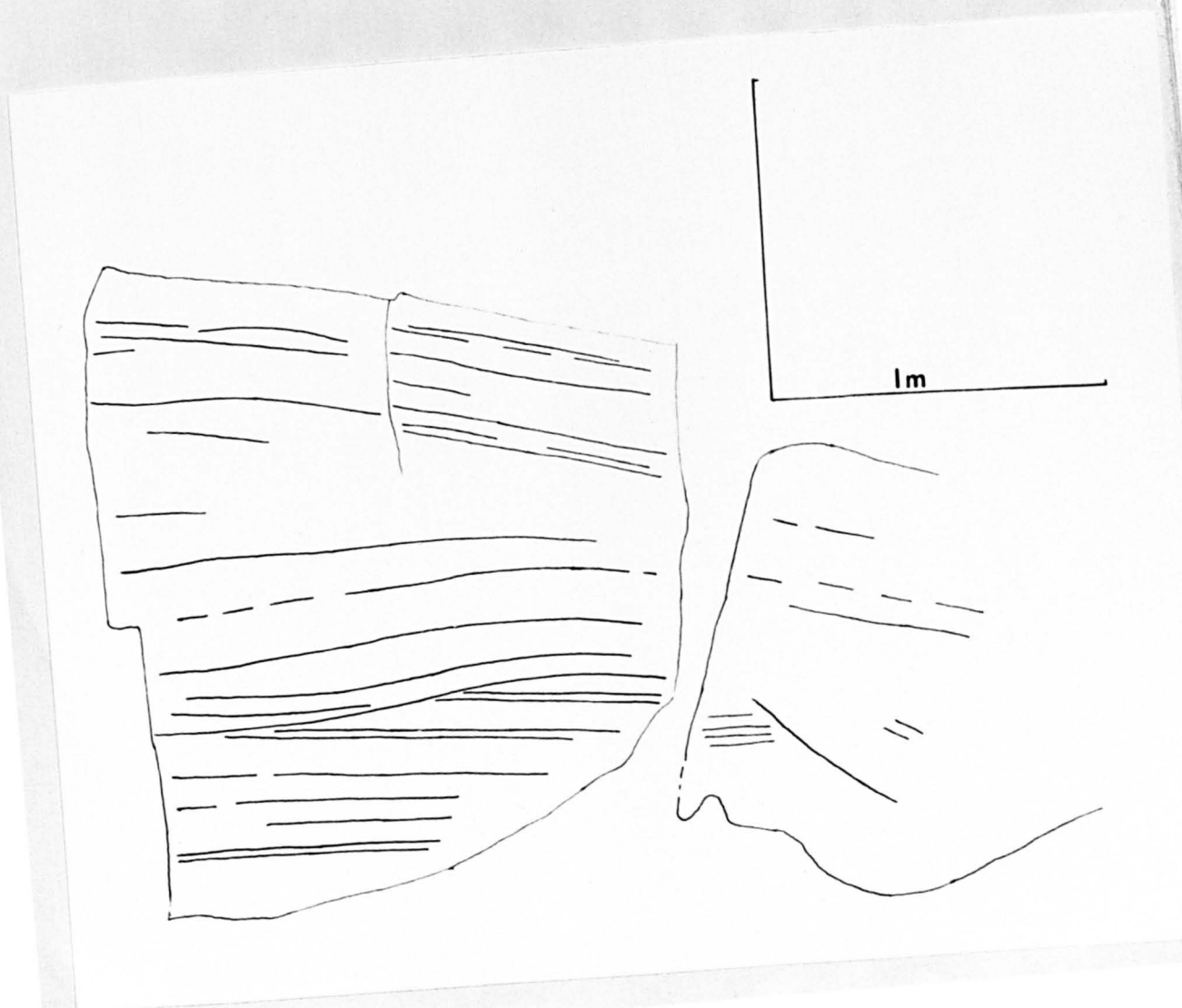
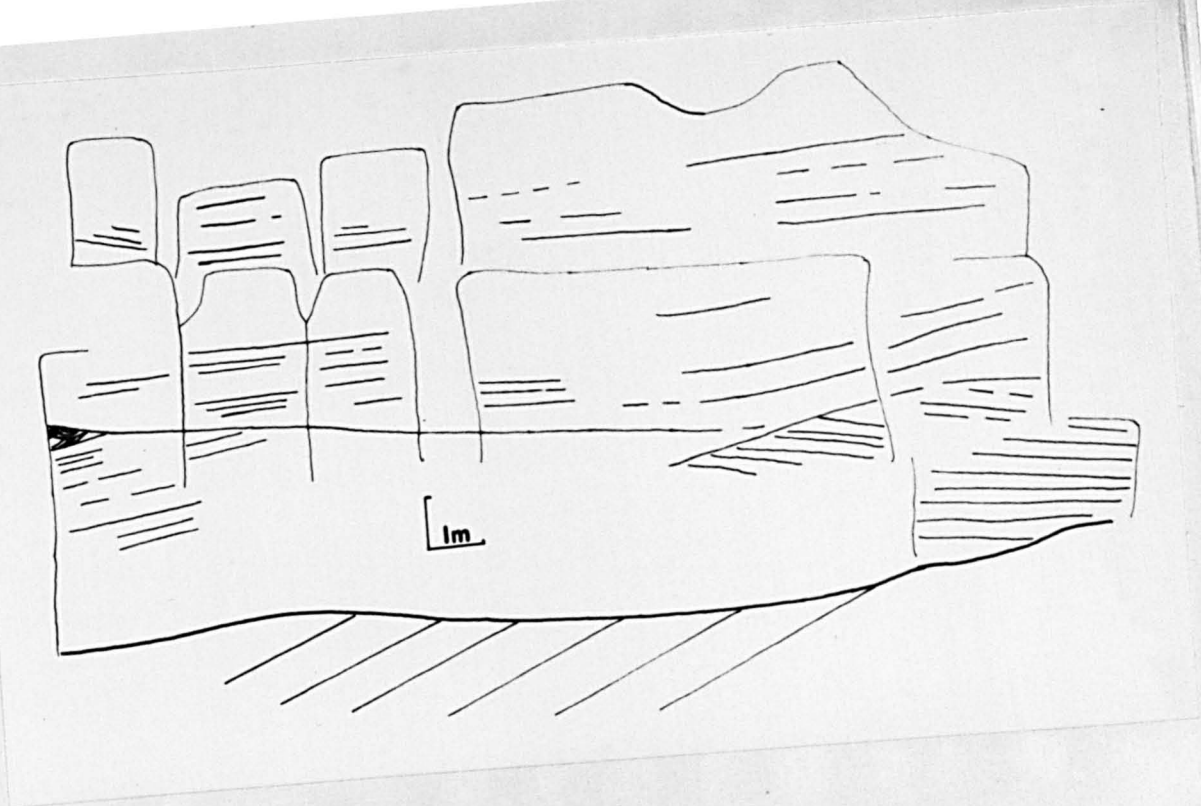


Fig.43. f, g.

Structures in LF 16, Faintly-laminated Coarse Sandstone.

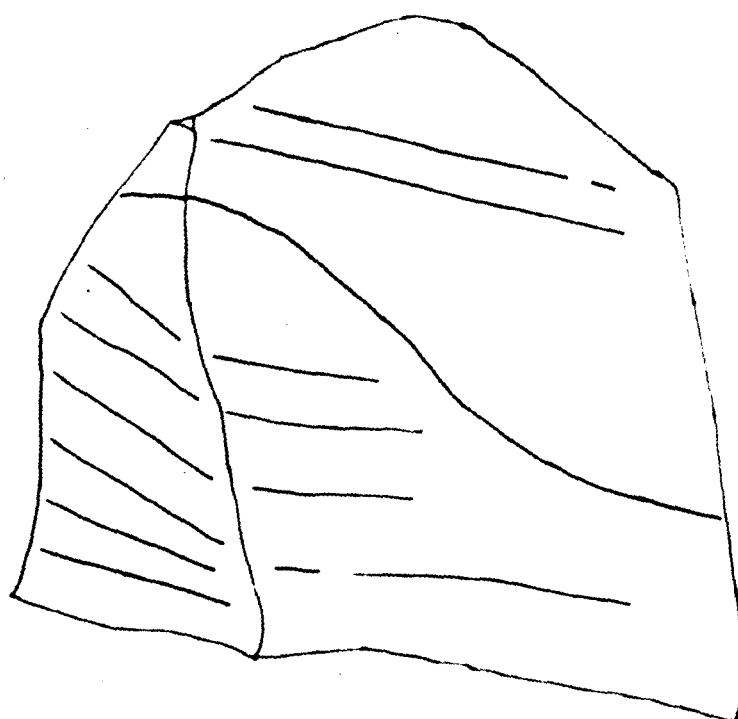
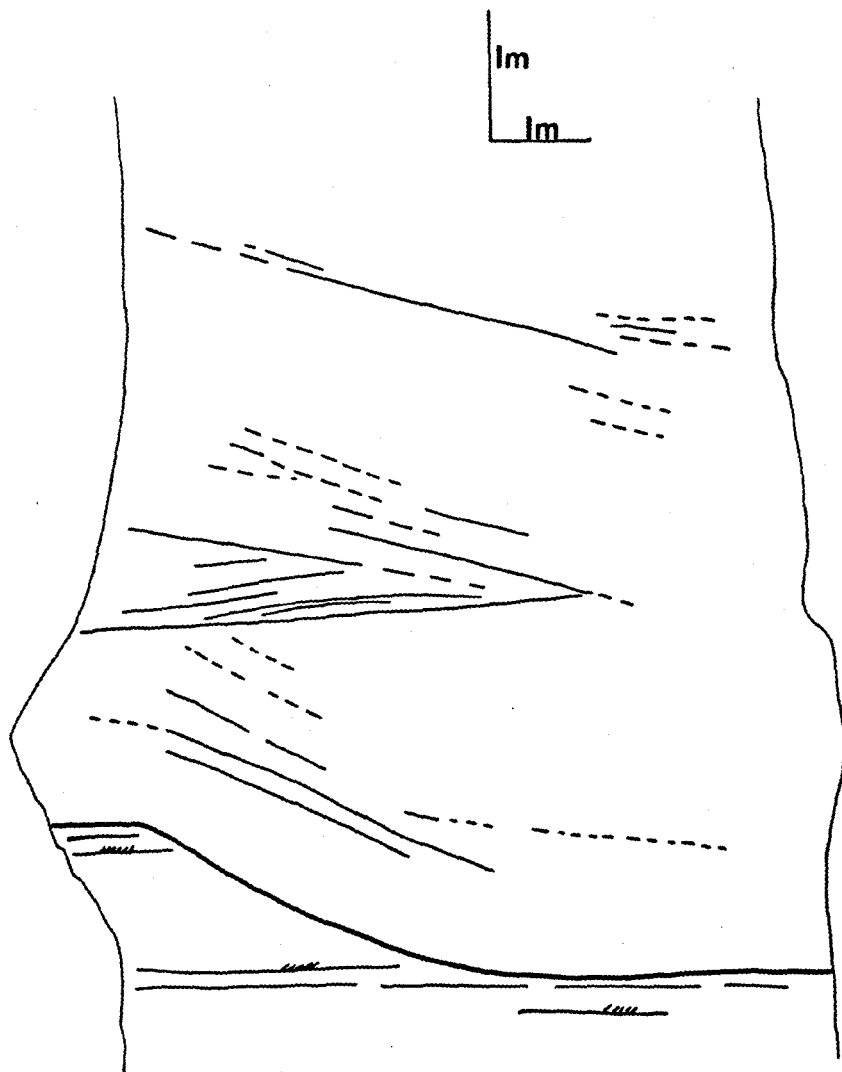
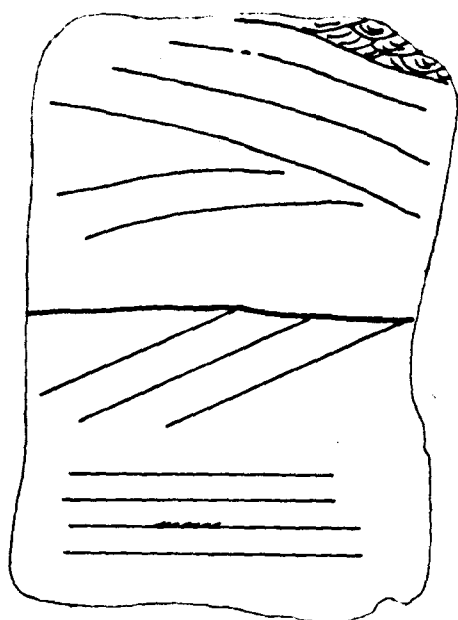
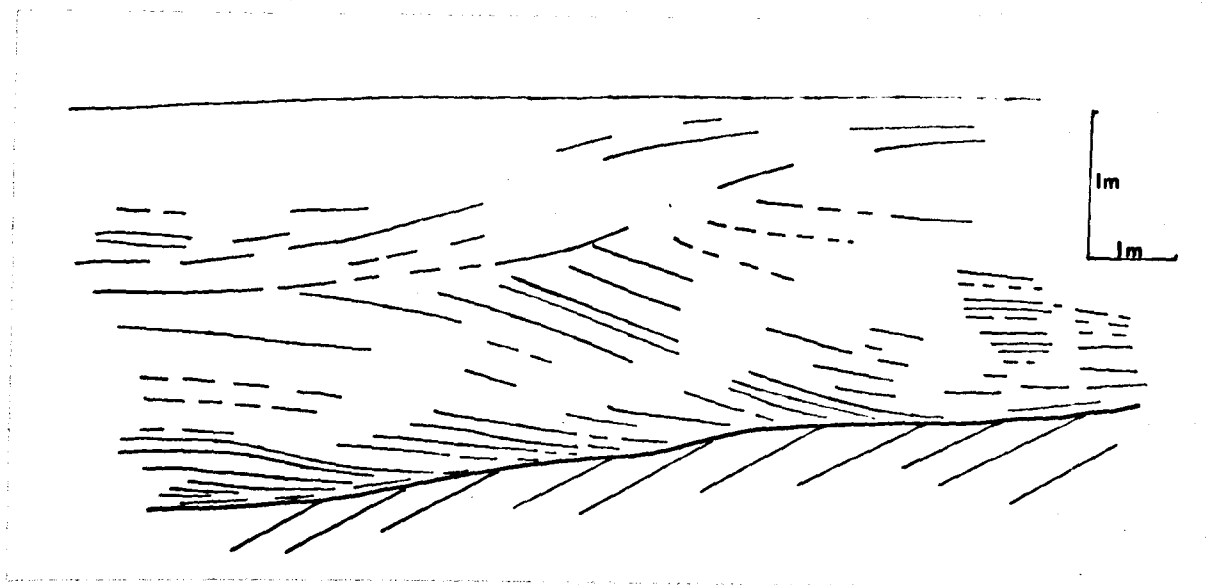


Fig.43.h. Structures in LF 16, Faintly-laminated Coarse Sandstone.

See also Plate 46.

Key to Fig.43.



TROUGH CROSS BEDDING

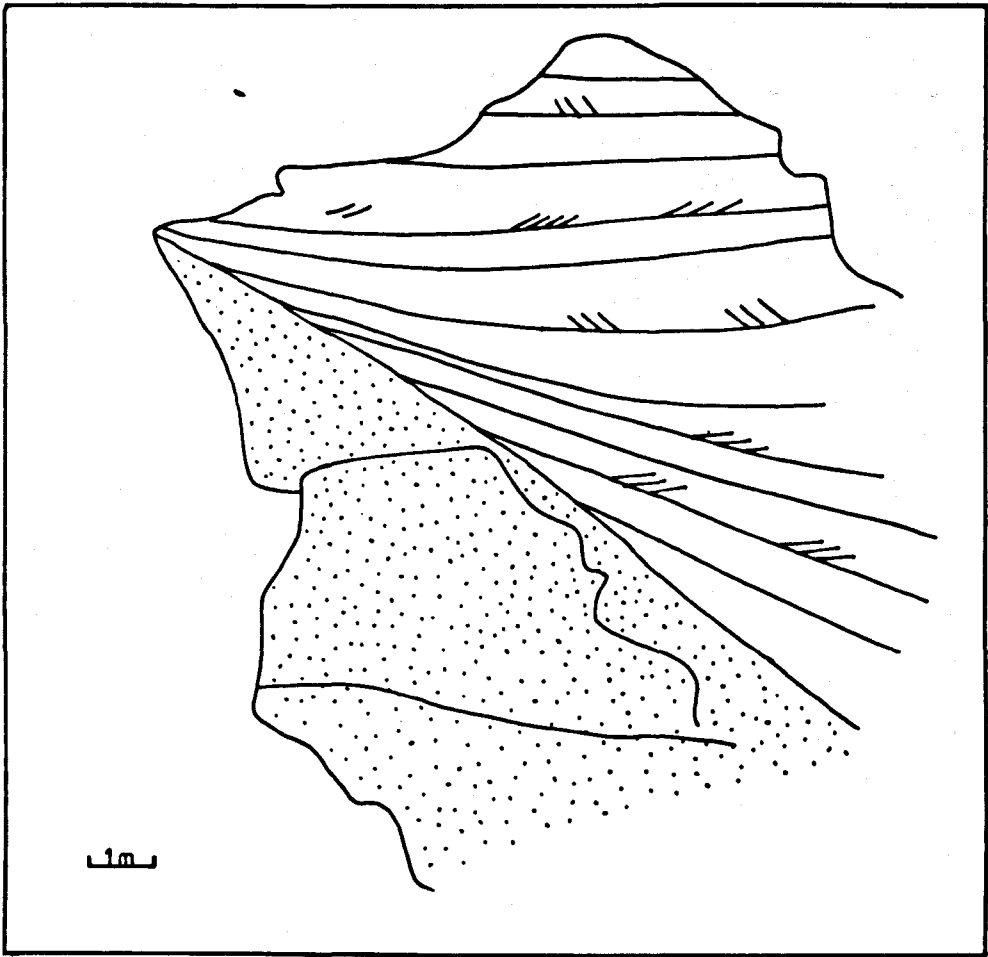
UNDULATORY LAMINATION

BASAL EROSION SURFACE

CROSS BEDDING

Fig.44. Field sketch of a coset of LF 10 Trough Cross-bedded Sandstone seen in the XY plane, backfilling an eroded hollow cut into a bed of LF 16, FLCS.
Ramshaw Rocks (SK 0196 6228)

Fig.45. Part of the main escarpment at the Roaches showing the sheet sandstone of the Roaches Grit composed of four separate mutually erosive channel fills. In two of the channels, sets of LF 15, LSXB build out obliquely from steep channel sides.
Inset A shows the relationship in Channel IV,
Inset B shows the relationship in Channel 11.
Left hand side of diagram overlaps with Fig.39.
(SK 0055 6250)
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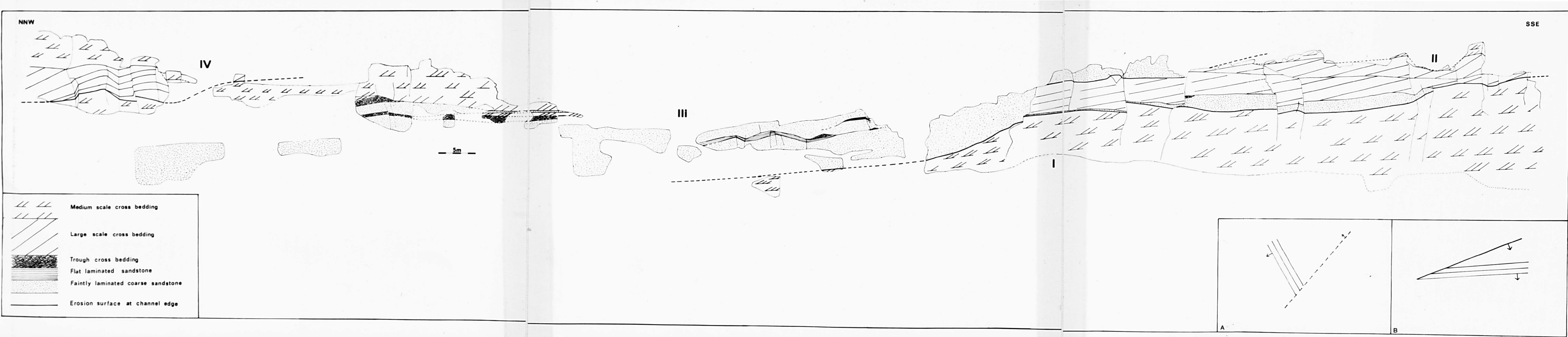


Fig.46. Summary of the main types of lithofacies relationships
observed in the channel fill sediments of the
Roaches Grit.

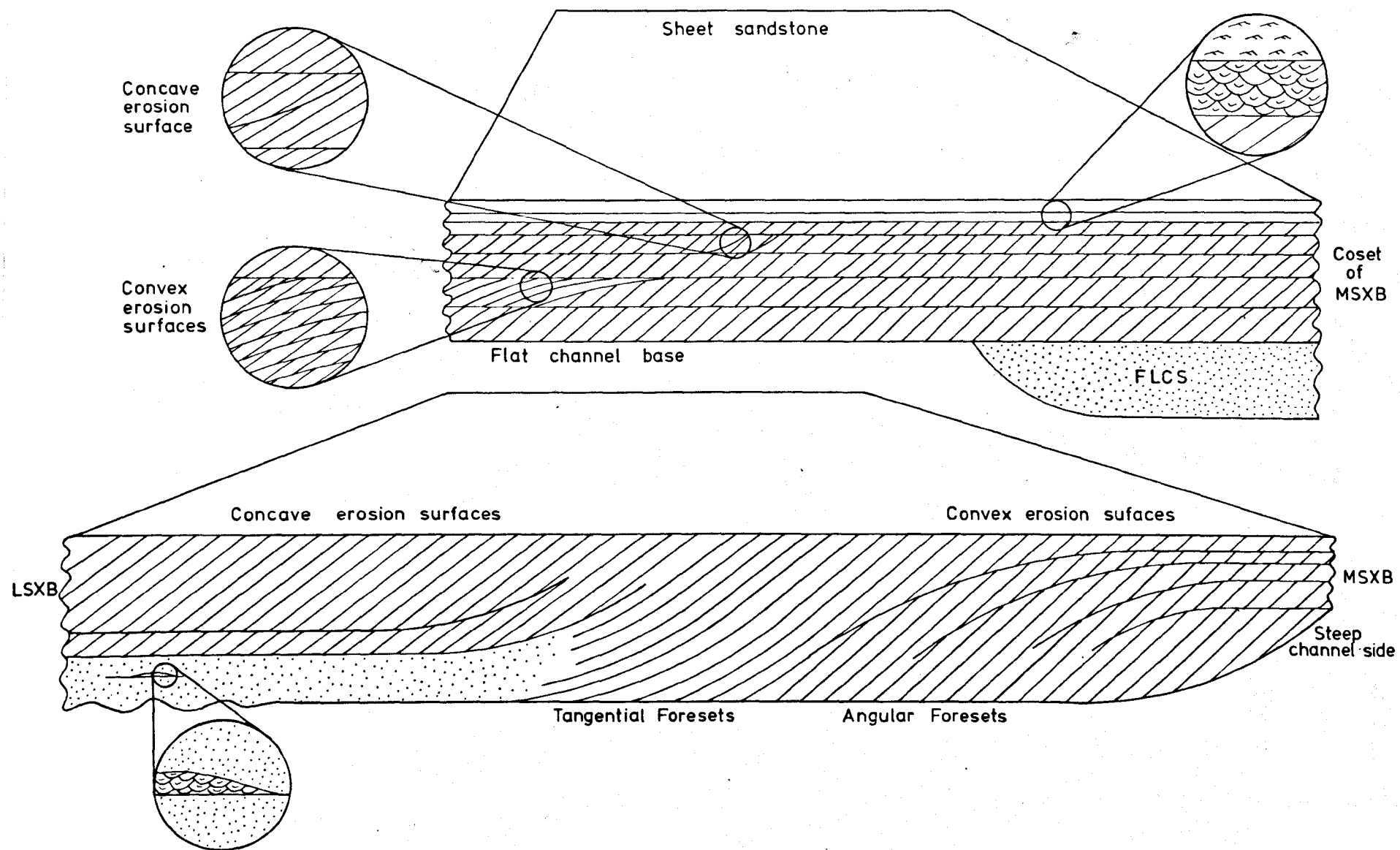


Fig.47. Alternative models to explain the lithofaces relationships in the Roaches Grit.

Sandwave Model During rising stage the sandwaves increase in size, becoming very large at peak discharges. These are responsible for the large sets of LF 15. During falling stage they are dissected. Smaller superimposed sandwaves produce multiple convex up erosion surfaces.

Alternate bar models

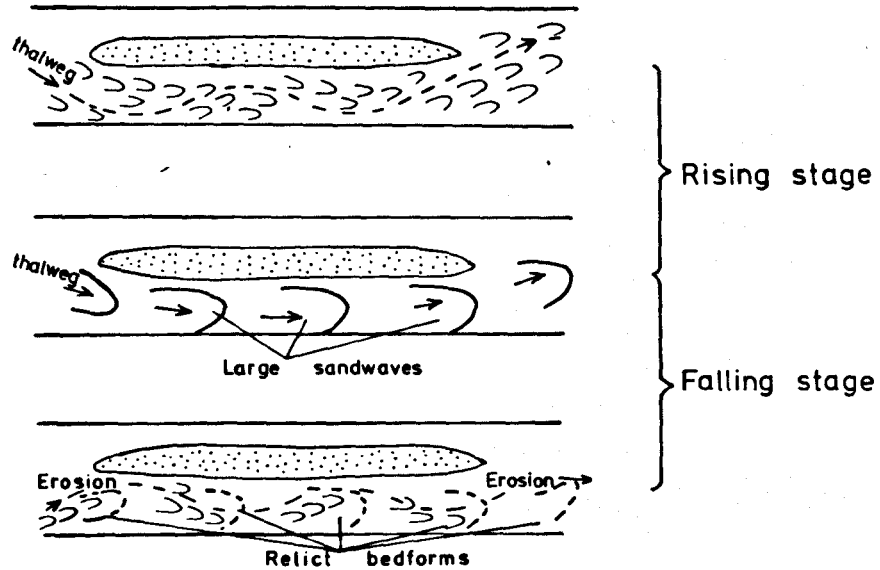
a. Straight River.

1. Alternate bars with superimposed sandwaves are formed at the same time during high stage.
2. Alternate bars are formed at high stage, and then dissected during falling stage. At a lower stage smaller superimposed sandwaves produce multiple convex upwards erosion surfaces.

b. Braided River.

The alternate bars form at high stage in narrow deep channels of a braided river. Smaller sandwaves develop at high stage in shallower wider parts of the river. Lateral migration of the wider channels at a later date results in a coset of medium scale cross bedding overlying these solitary sets of large scale cross-bedding.

SANDWAVE MODEL



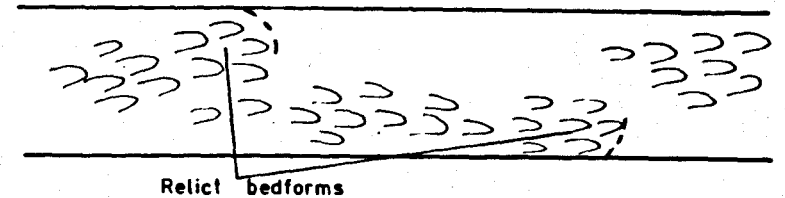
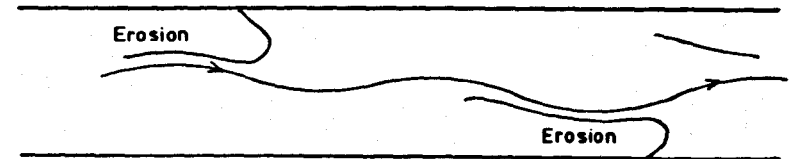
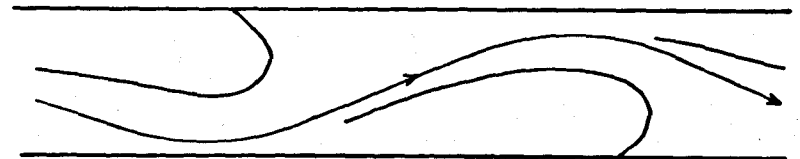
ALTERNATE BAR MODELS

a). Straight River

- 1). Sand waves and alternate bars form at the same time

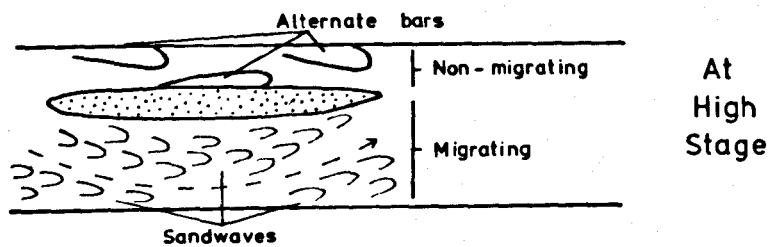


- 2). Alternate bars form at high stage, sand waves form during falling stage



Falling stage

b). Braided River (After McCabe 1975)



At High Stage

Fig.48. Explanation of the down dip changes in LF 15, LSXB shown in Figs. 39 and 40.

- A. Line of outcrop showing foreset dip directions and foreset shape in relation to LSXB shown in Figs. 39 and 40.
- B. Explanation of the changes seen assuming the down channel passage of an alternate bar with approximate dimensions as shown.

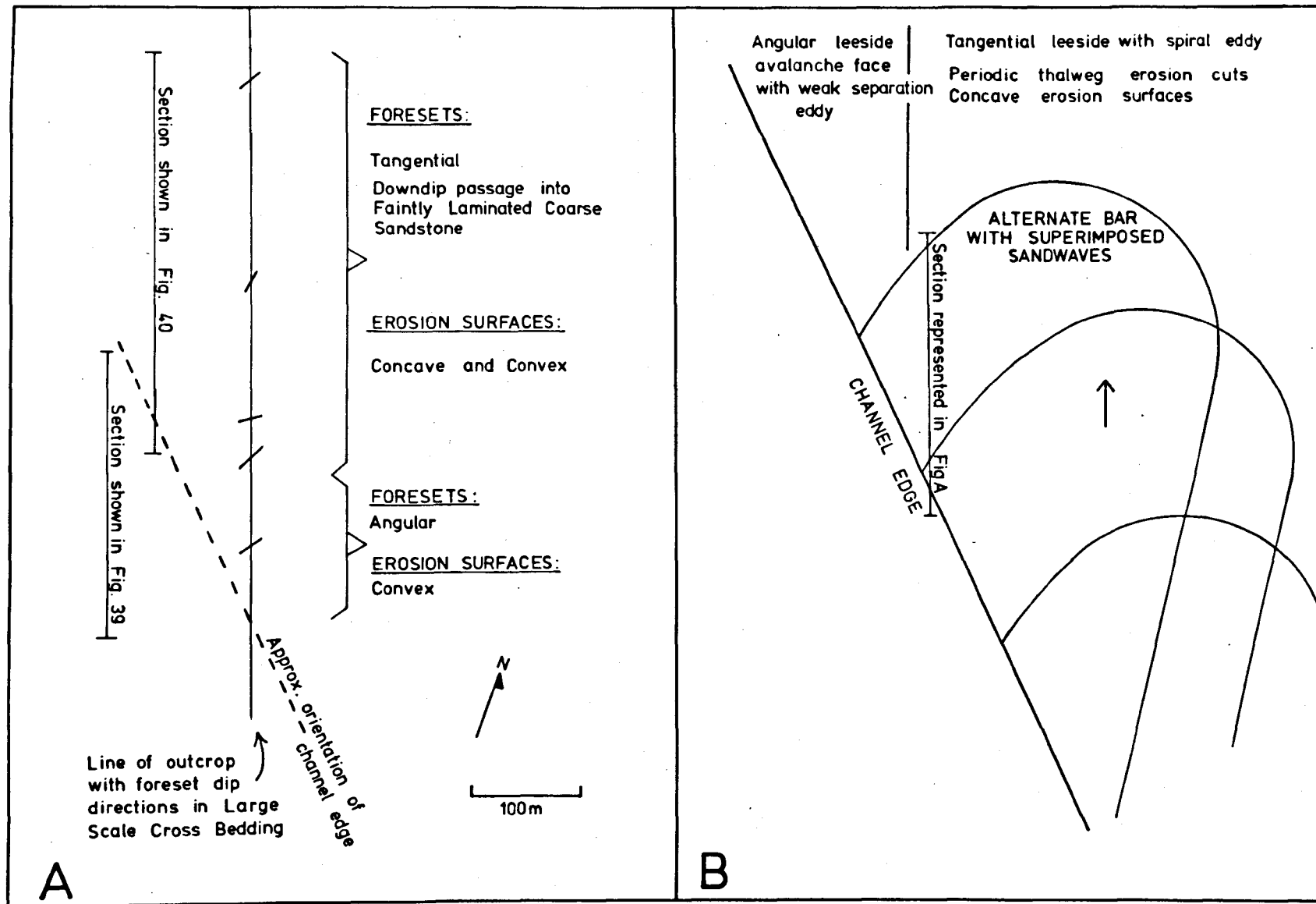


Fig.49. Diagram of the Roaches looking east, drawn from oblique aerial photographs, showing the relationship of the major channel fills. These become progressively younger towards the north and occur at successively higher levels in the sequence.

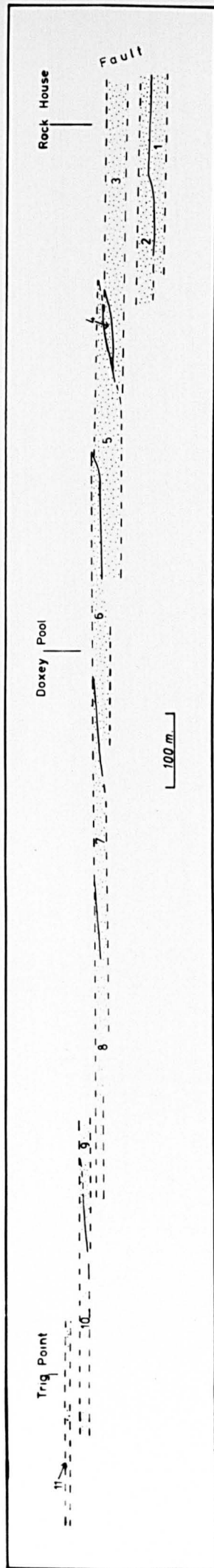
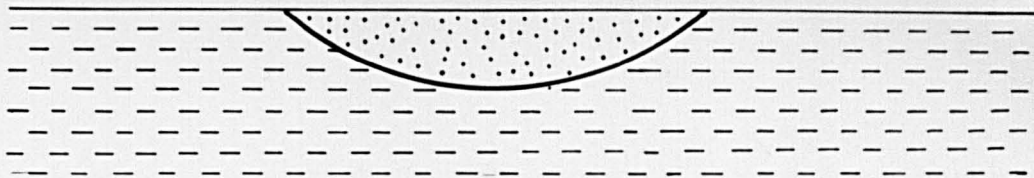


Fig.50. Offsetting of successive channel fills because of differential compaction between the previous channel fill and the surrounding finer grained sediment.

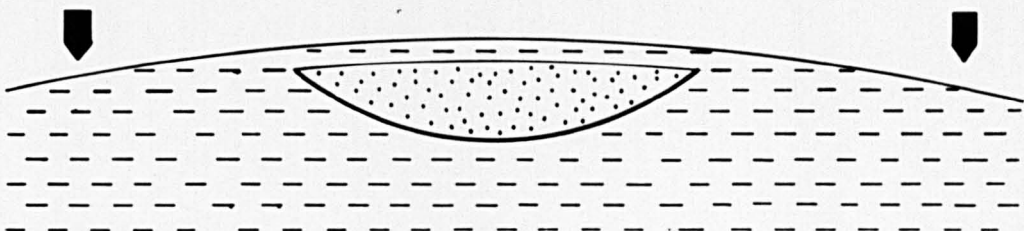
Fig.51. Vertical sequences in Association D.

- A. Cumberland Brook (SJ 995 699)
- B. Allgreave. (SJ 9699 6740)
- C. Shirley Hollow. (SK 0380 4810)

A



B



C

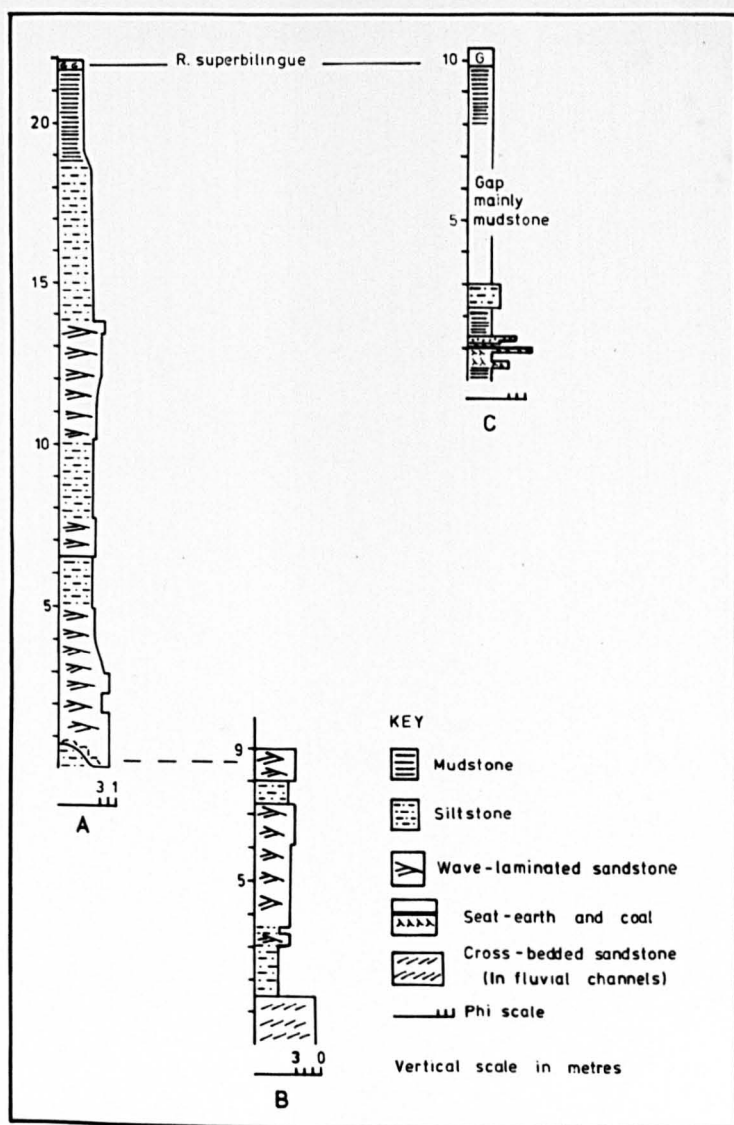
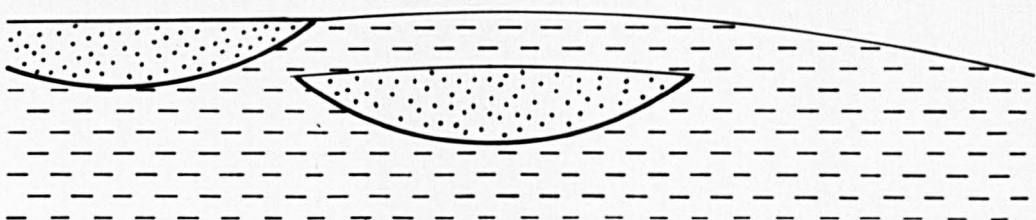


Fig.52. Section through a laminated rock showing the effects of

A. a lined burrow.

B. a resting trace.

Fig.53. Location of the study area in relation to the main structural elements operative in northern England during the Namurian.

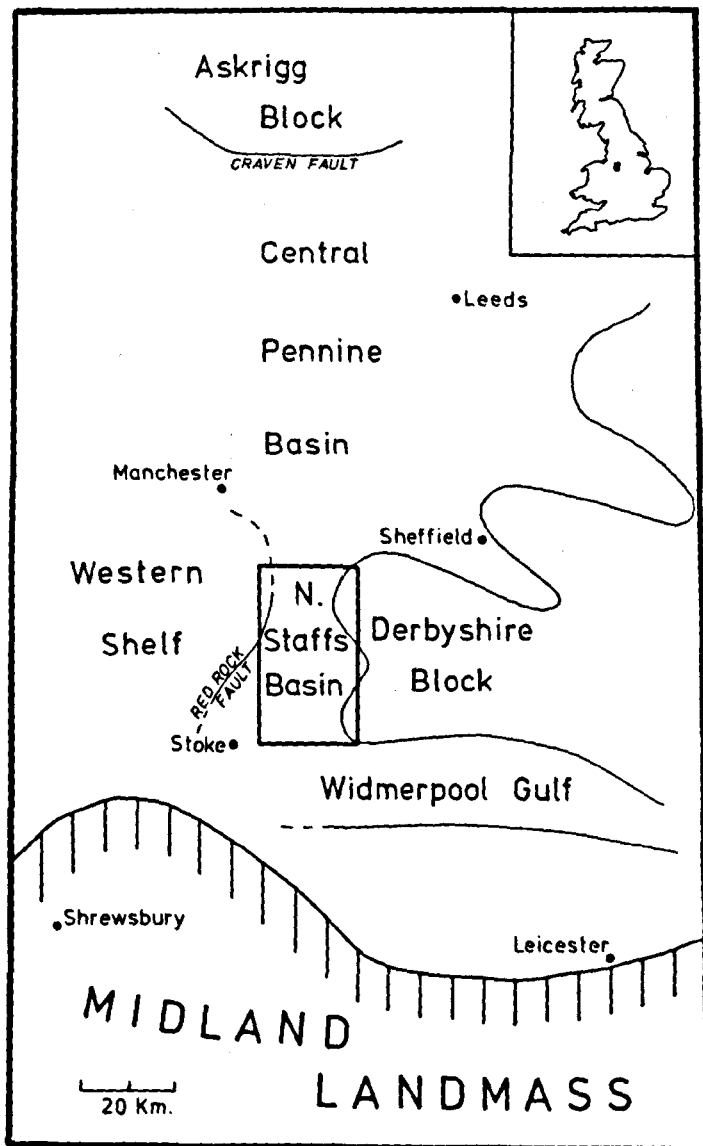
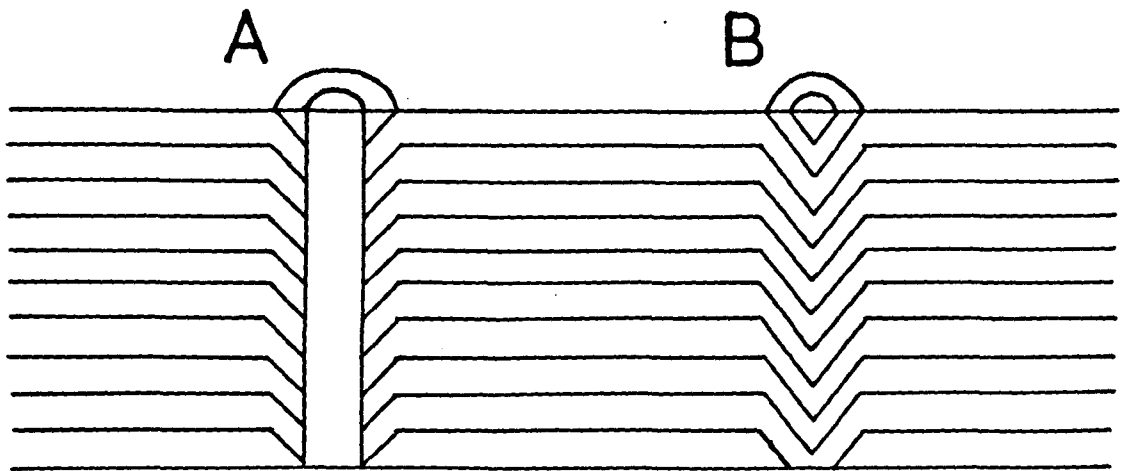


Fig.54. Isopachytes for the interval R. bilingue or R. metabilingue and R. superbilingue in the southern Pennines. The rectangle shows the study area. The outline of the Derbyshire Block is also shown.

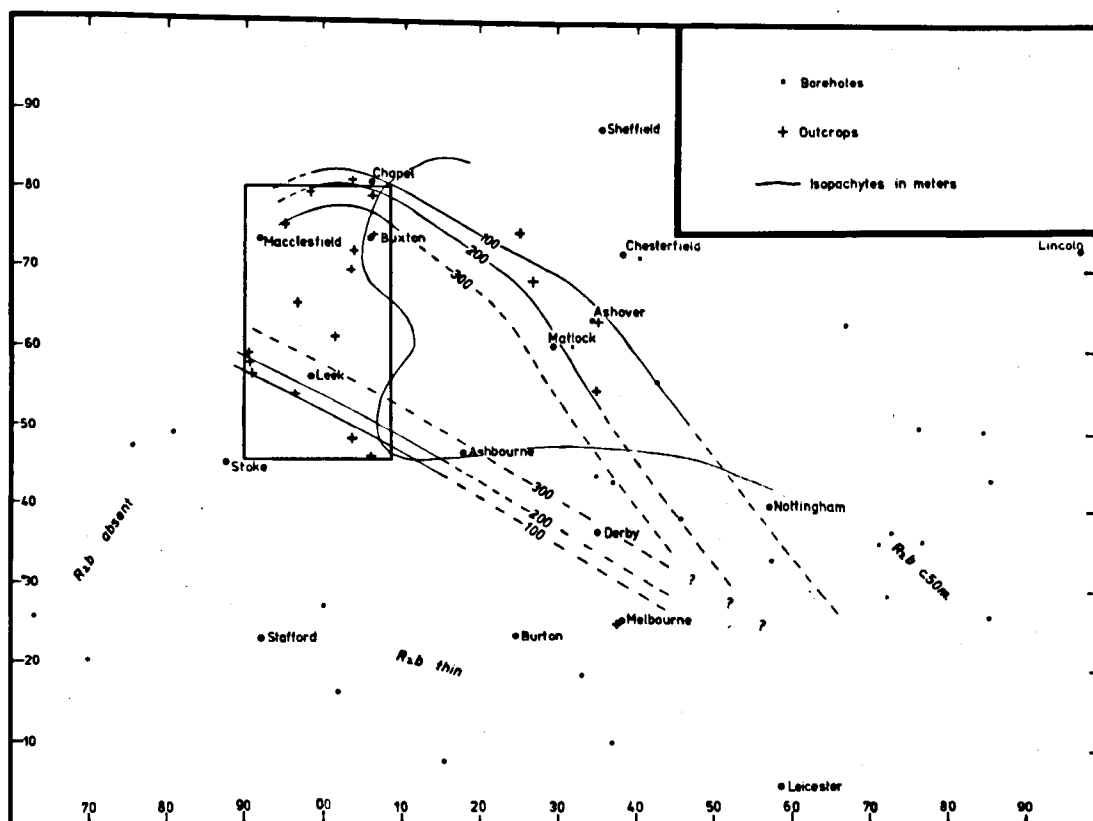


Fig.55. Generalised vertical section showing the full sequence
in the Roaches Grit Group at its thickest development.

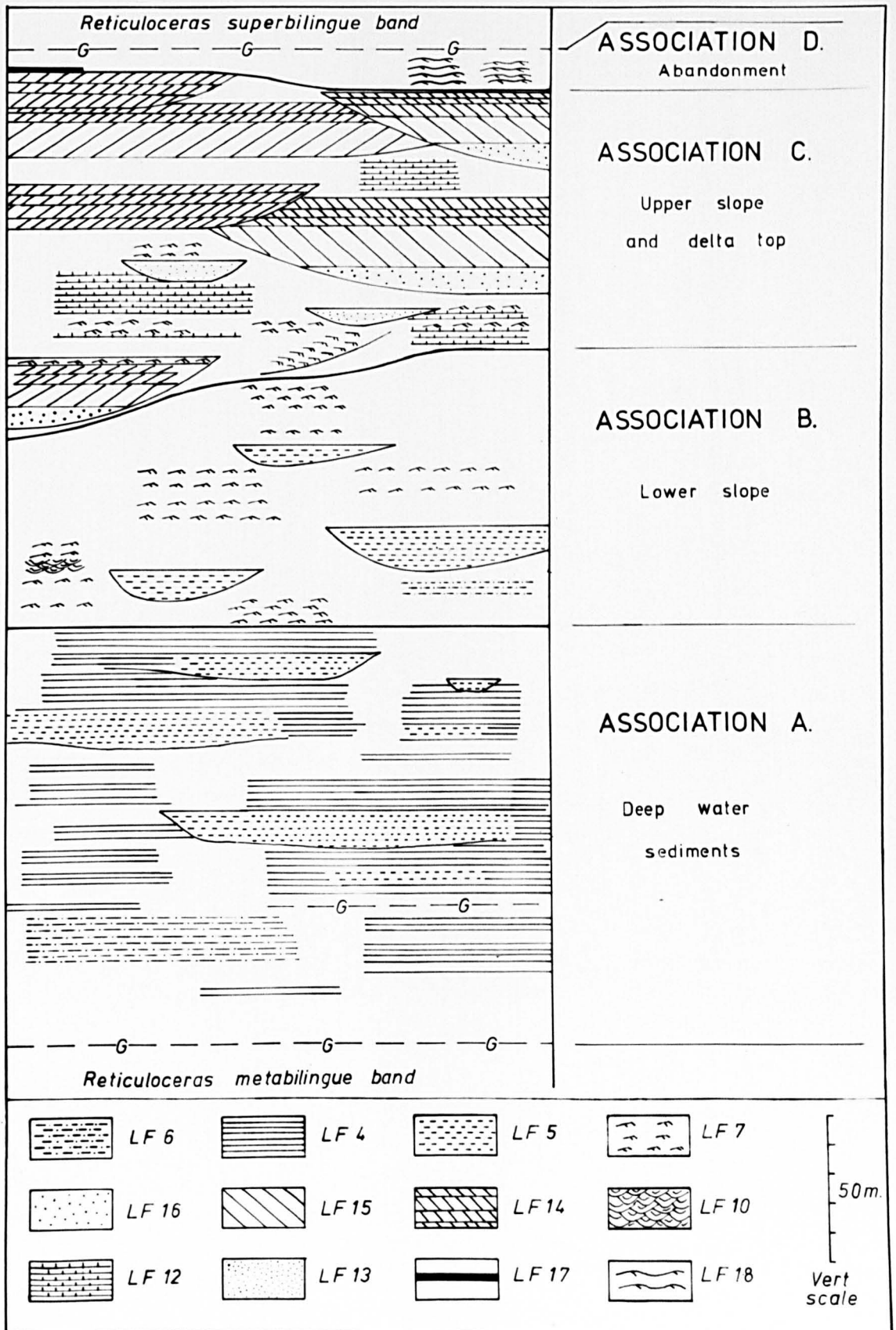


Fig.56. a. Petrology of various lithofacies of the Roaches Grit Group,
based on point counts of 300.

b. Petrology of 'protoquartzite lithofacies' sandstones from
the E,H, and R Zones of the north Staffs Namurian.

Upper section after Trewin 1969.

Lower section after Evans et.al. 1968.

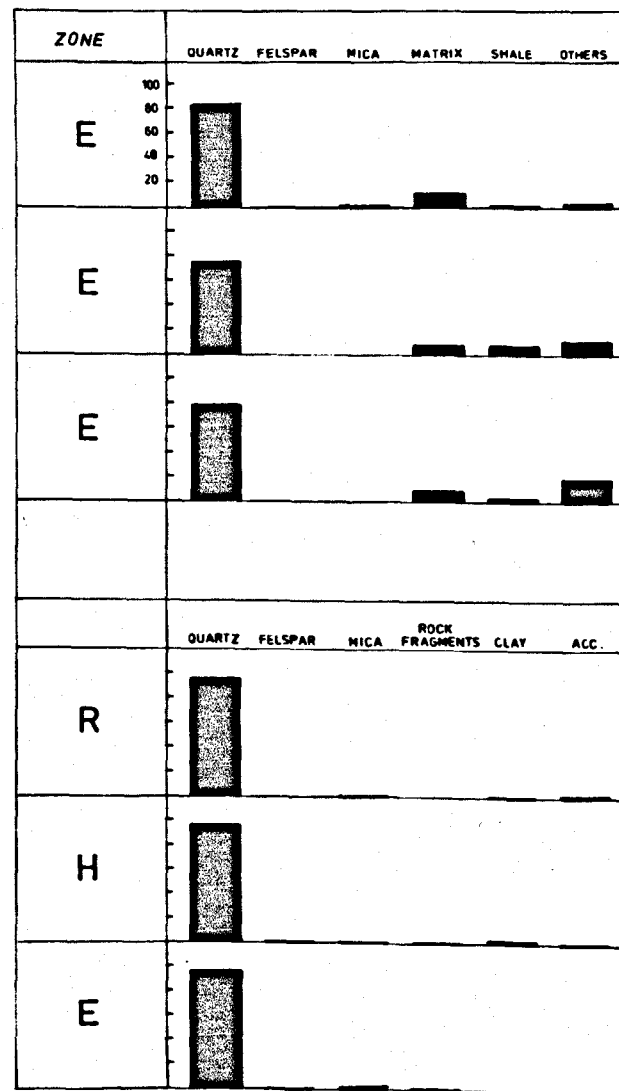
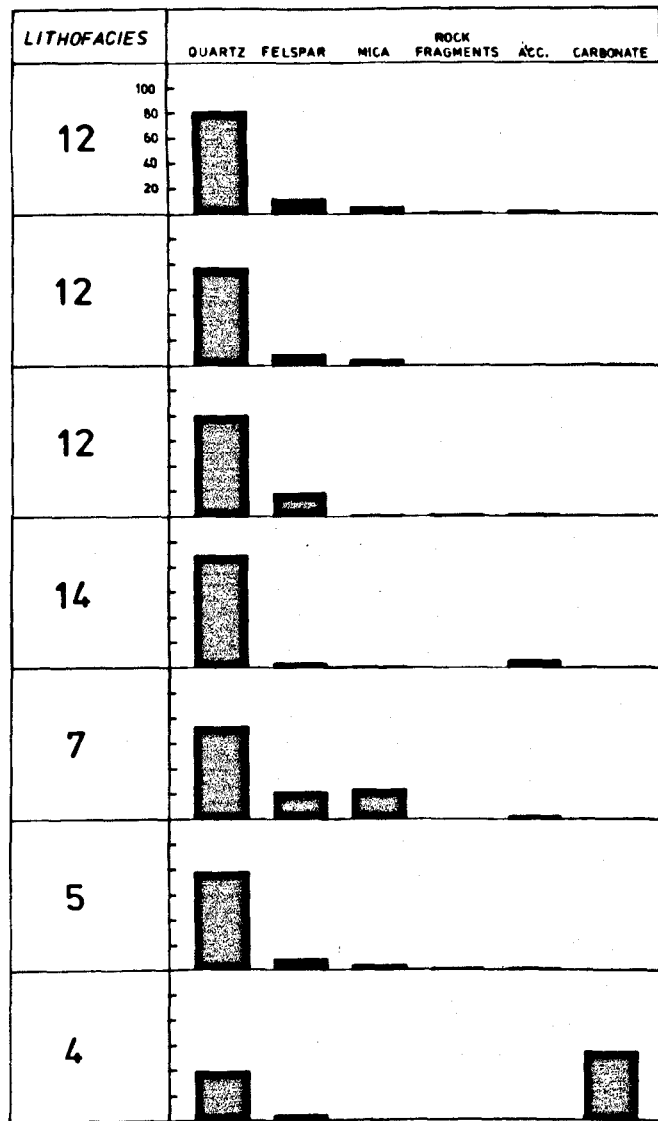


Fig. 57. Palaeogeography and major controls on sedimentation during the deposition of the Roaches Grit Group, immediately prior to the cut off of the sediment supply.

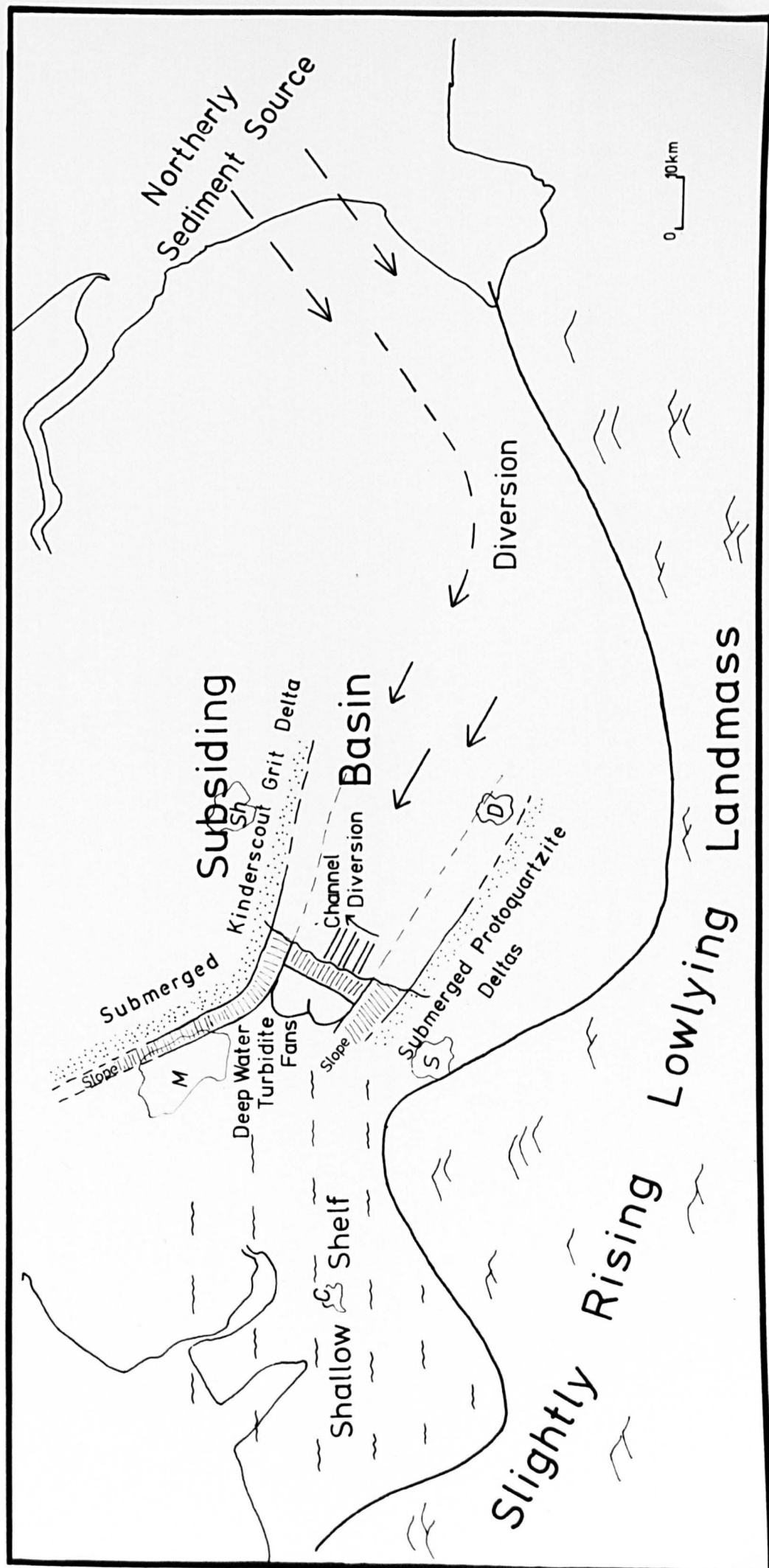
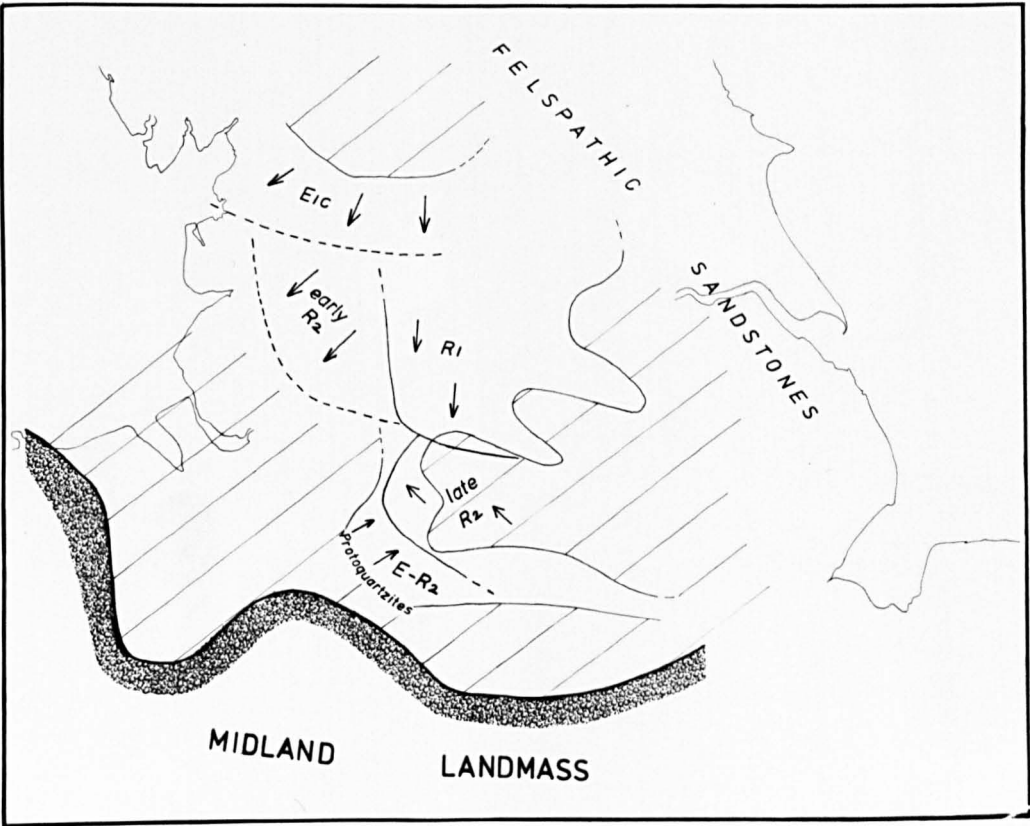


Fig.58. The major phases of fill of the Namurian Central Province Basin. 'Block' and 'Shelf' areas in the lower Namurian are marked by diagonal shading, 'Basin' areas in the lower Namurian are left blank.



SECTION III Figs

Fig. 59. Location of research areas.

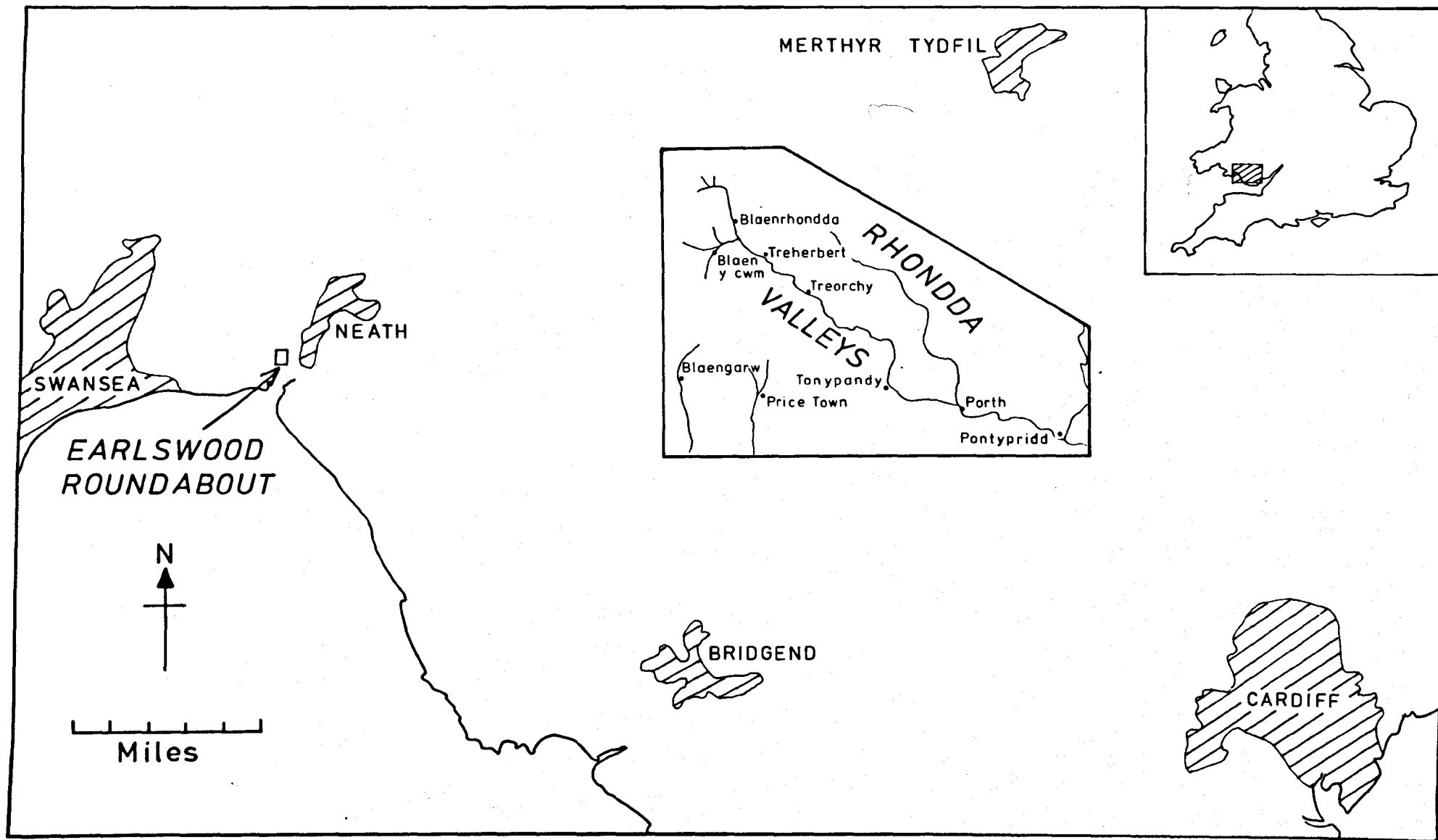


Fig.60. Stratigraphic position of the Lower Pennant Measures,
and main sedimentological features of the succession.

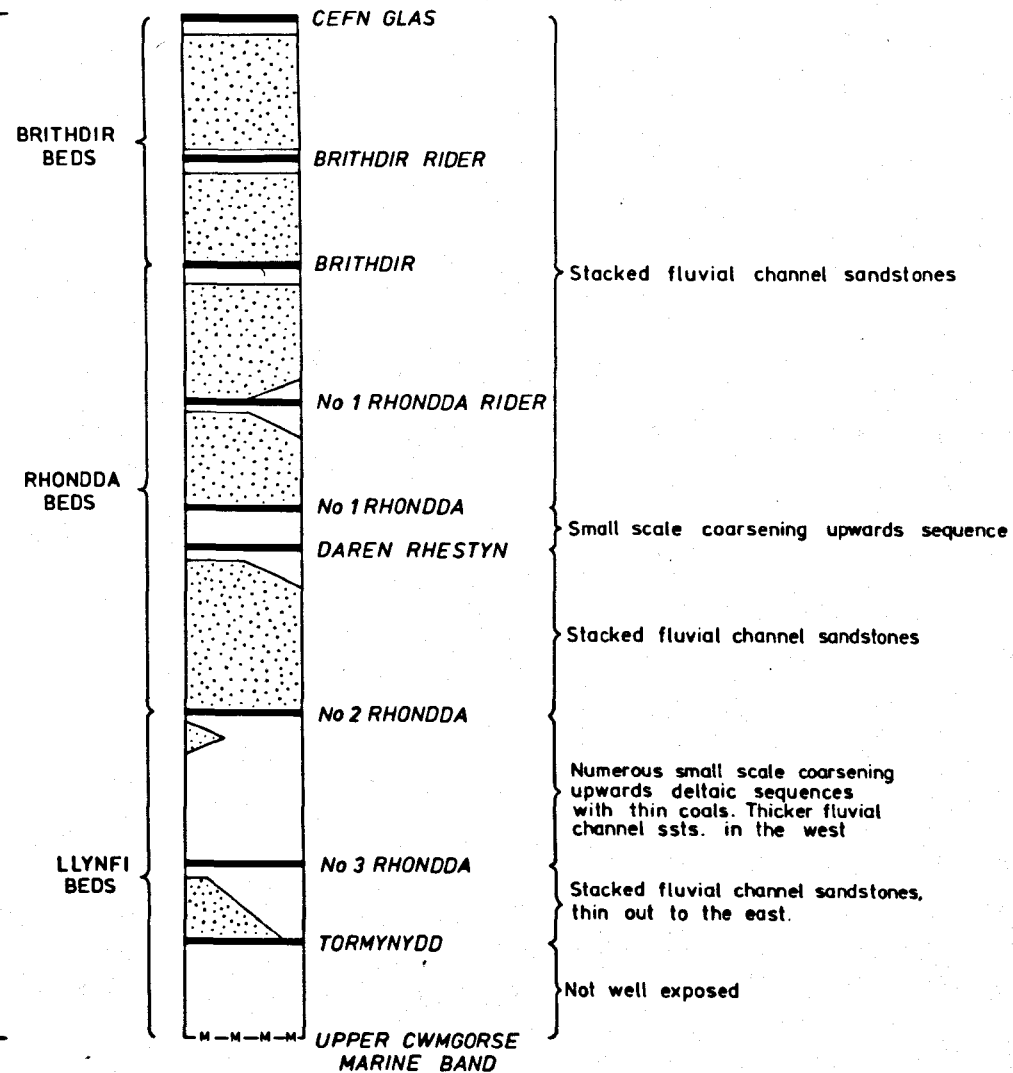
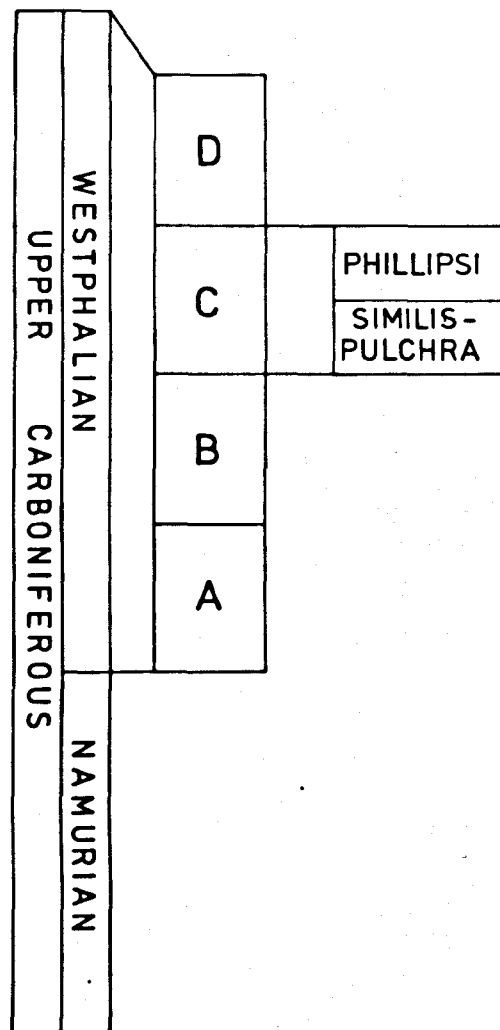


Fig. 61. Types of cross bedding in the Lower Pennant Measures.

- A. Lithofacies 1, Tabular Cross Bedding.
- B. Lithofacies 3, Cross Bedding with undulating basal erosion surfaces.
- C. Lithofacies 2, Trough Cross Bedding.

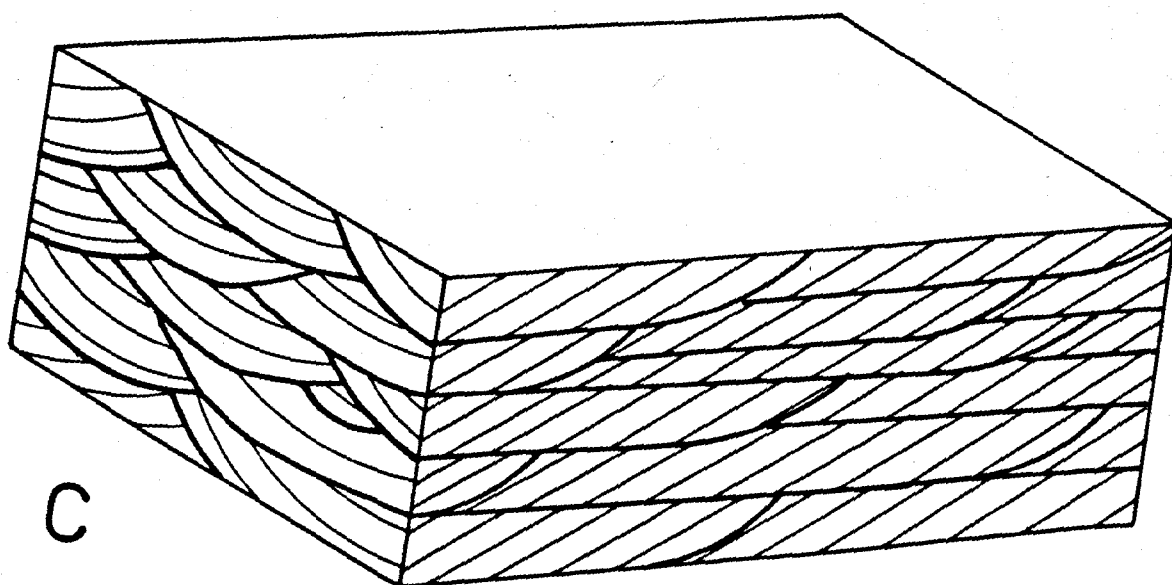
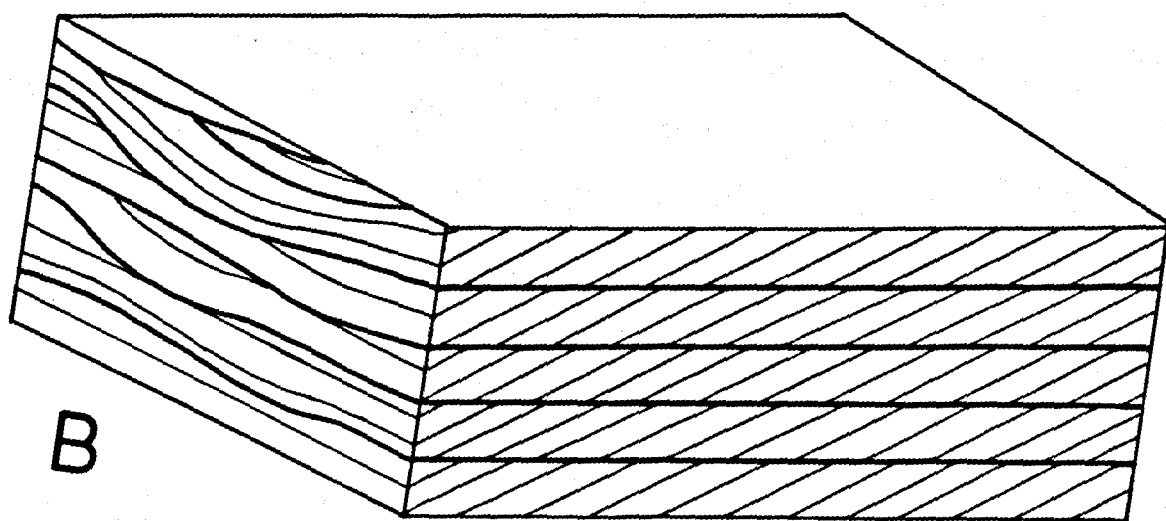
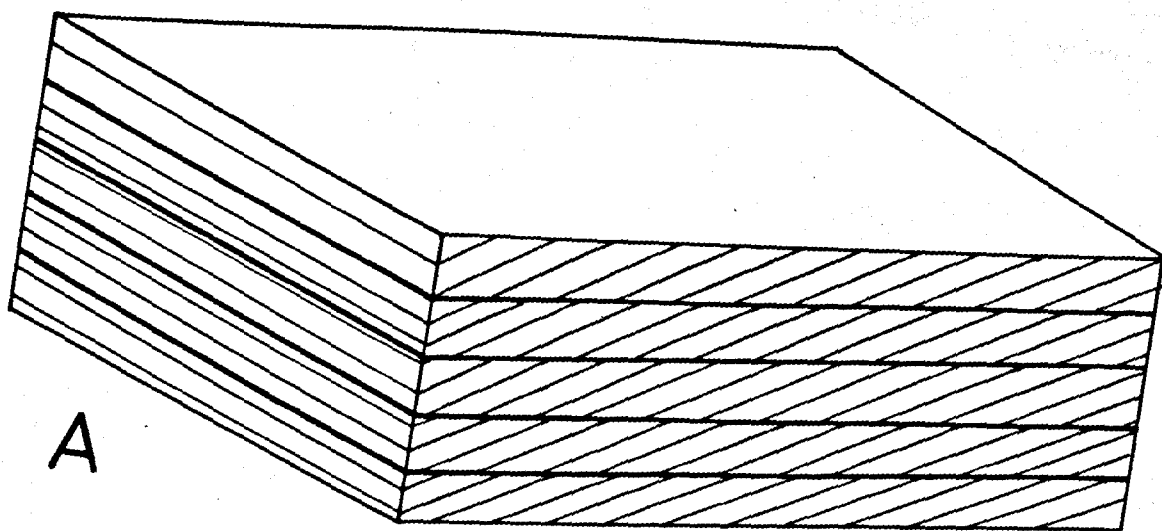
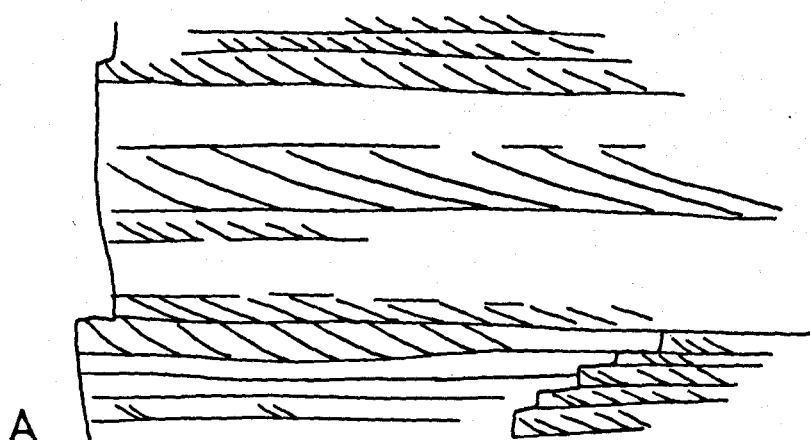
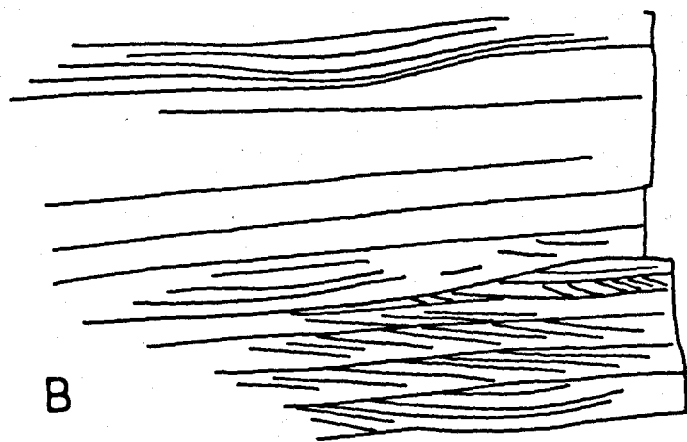


Fig. 62. Field sketch of LF 3 in XY and YZ planes. Outcrop west of Blaenrhondda (SN 9309 0051).



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B

Fig.63. Vertical sections in Association B from the Llynfi Beds.

Scale in metres.

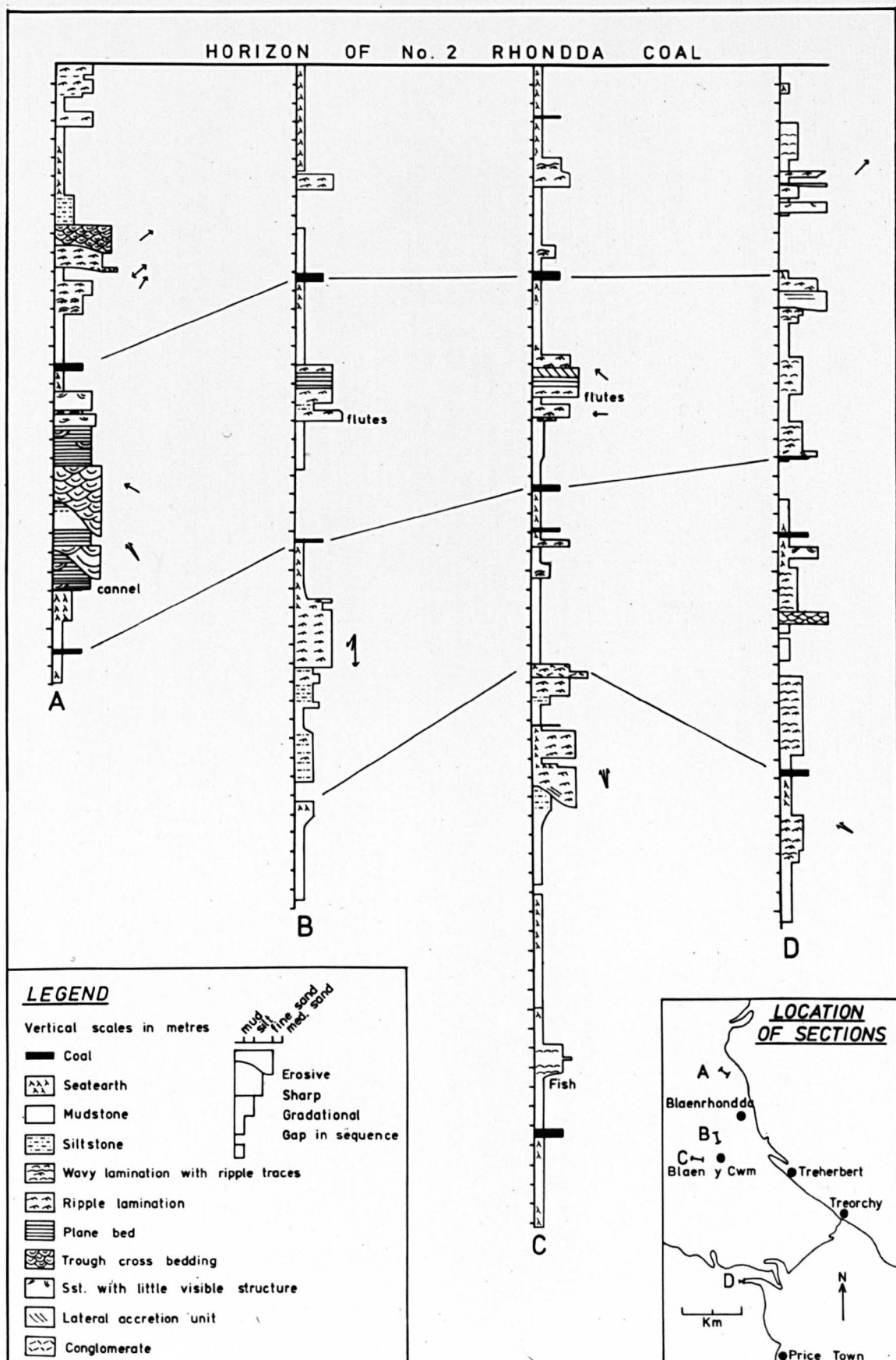
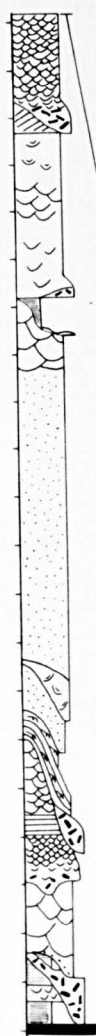
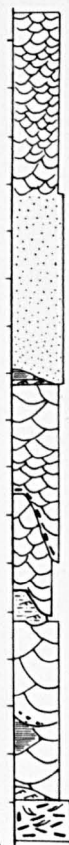


Fig.64. Vertical section through the sandstones at A, Earlswood Roadcutting (SS 729 944 - SS 727 945) and B in Nant y Gwair (SS 9111 9875 - SS 9089 9879).
Key as for Fig. 69. Dots is LF 6, Structureless Sandstone, black is LF 9, Coal.
Vertical scales in metres.



A



B

Fig.65. Prior deposition transition tree diagram for all measured sections in Association A.

Fig.66. Transition probability matrix tree diagram for all sections.

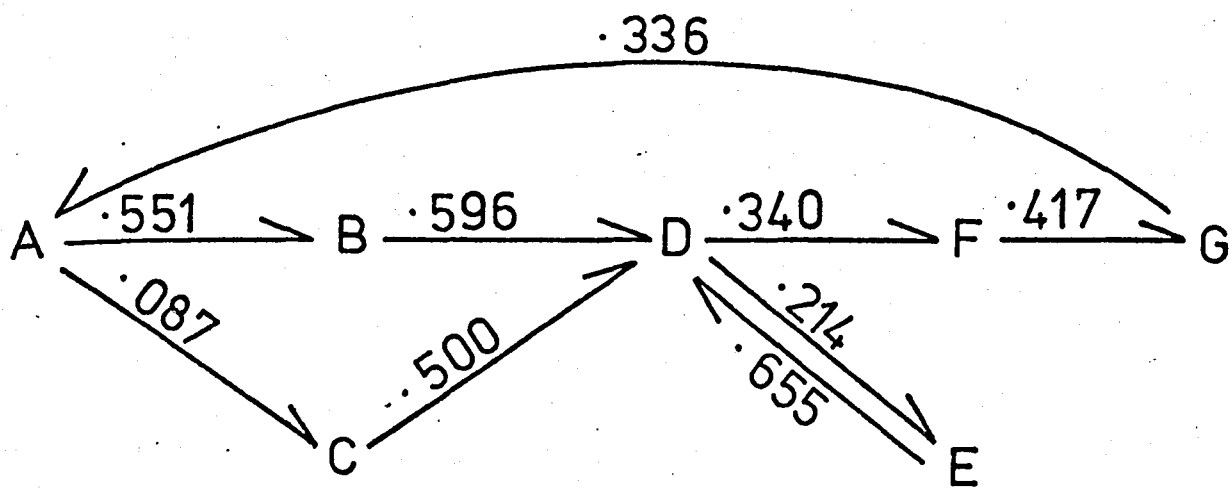
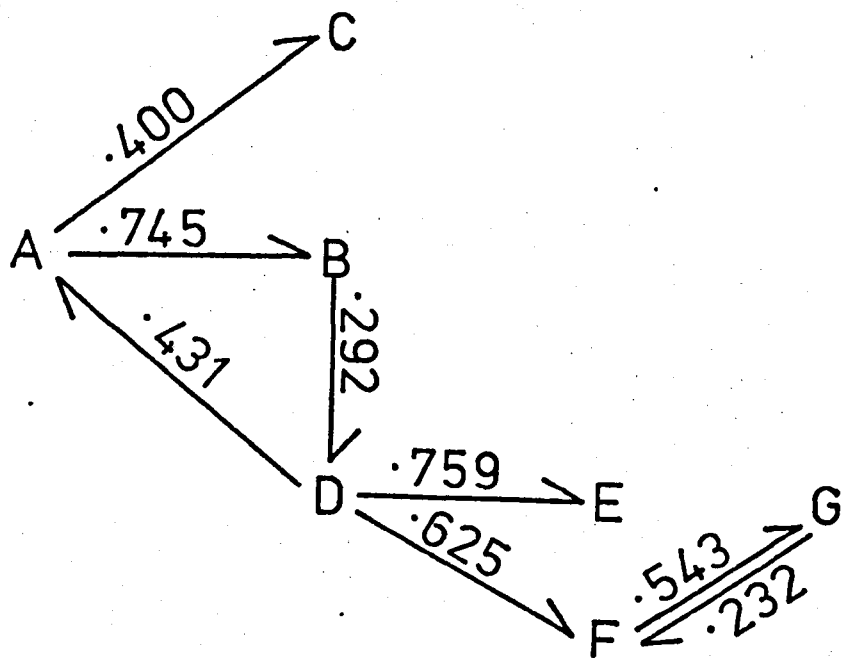


Fig.67. Free diagram of transitions occurring with greater than random frequency.

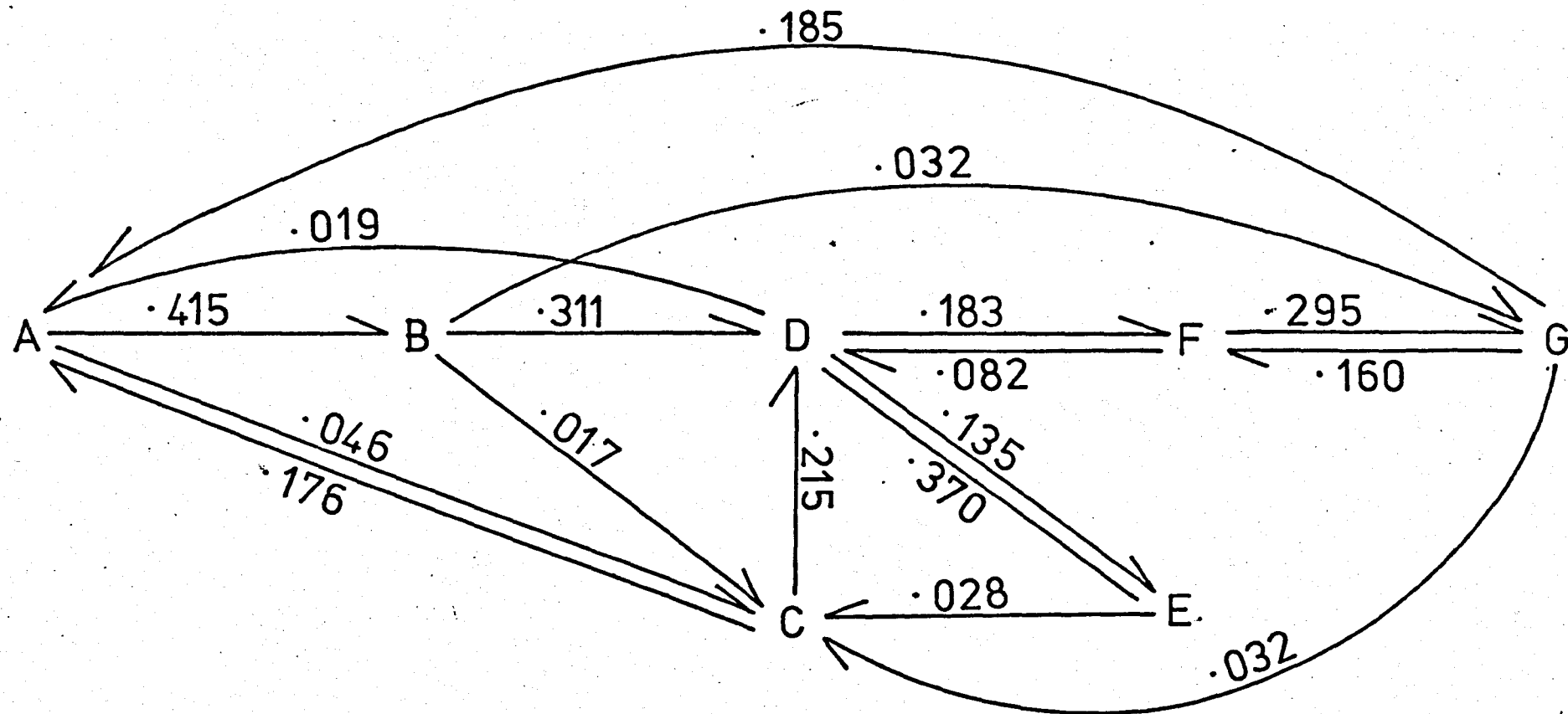


Fig.68. Channel fill showing several phases of erosion.
Blaenrhondda Roadcutting (SN 928 013)

 Cross bedding

 Structureless sandstone

 Siltstone

 Log conglomerate

 Poorly defined structure

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metres

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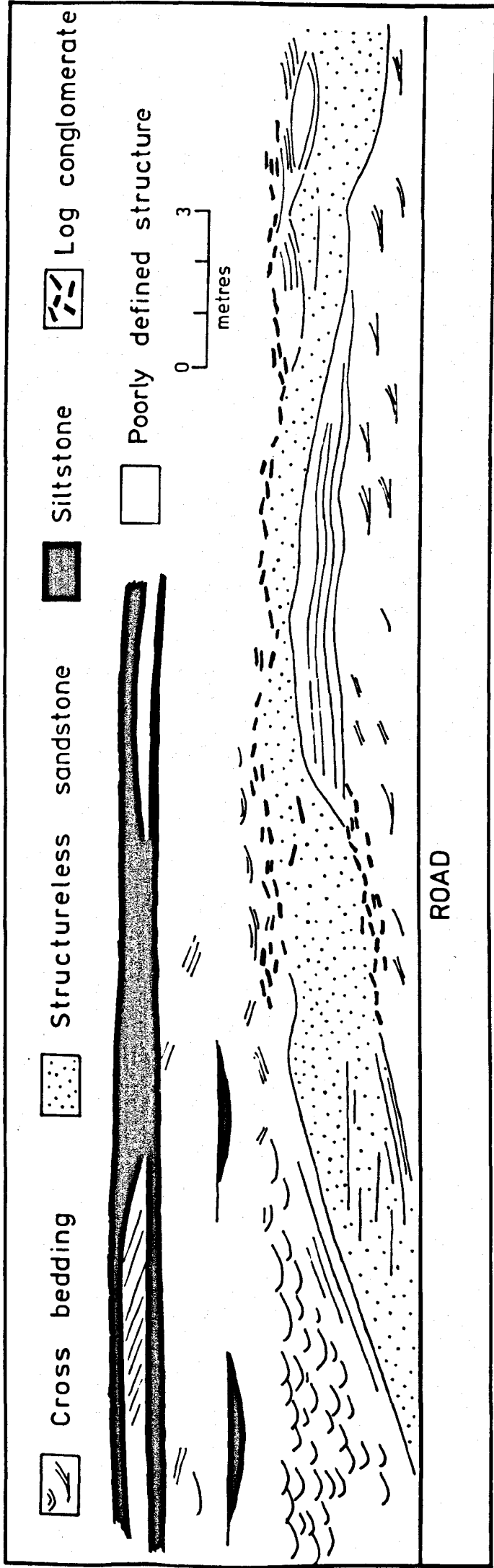


Fig.69. Key sequences in Association A sections:

- A. Blaenrhondda Roadcutting (SN 9288 0134)
- B. Earlswood Roundabout, lower section (SS 729 944)
- C. Quarry above Blaengawr (SS 8991 9386)
- D. Blaenrhondda Roadcutting (SN 929 012)
- E. Outcrop west of Blaenrhondda (SN 9309 0051)
- F. Blaenrhondda Roadcutting (SN 9310 0065)
- G. Roadcutting below Craig Ogw (SS 938 945)
- H. Blaenrhondda Roadcutting (SN 929 012)

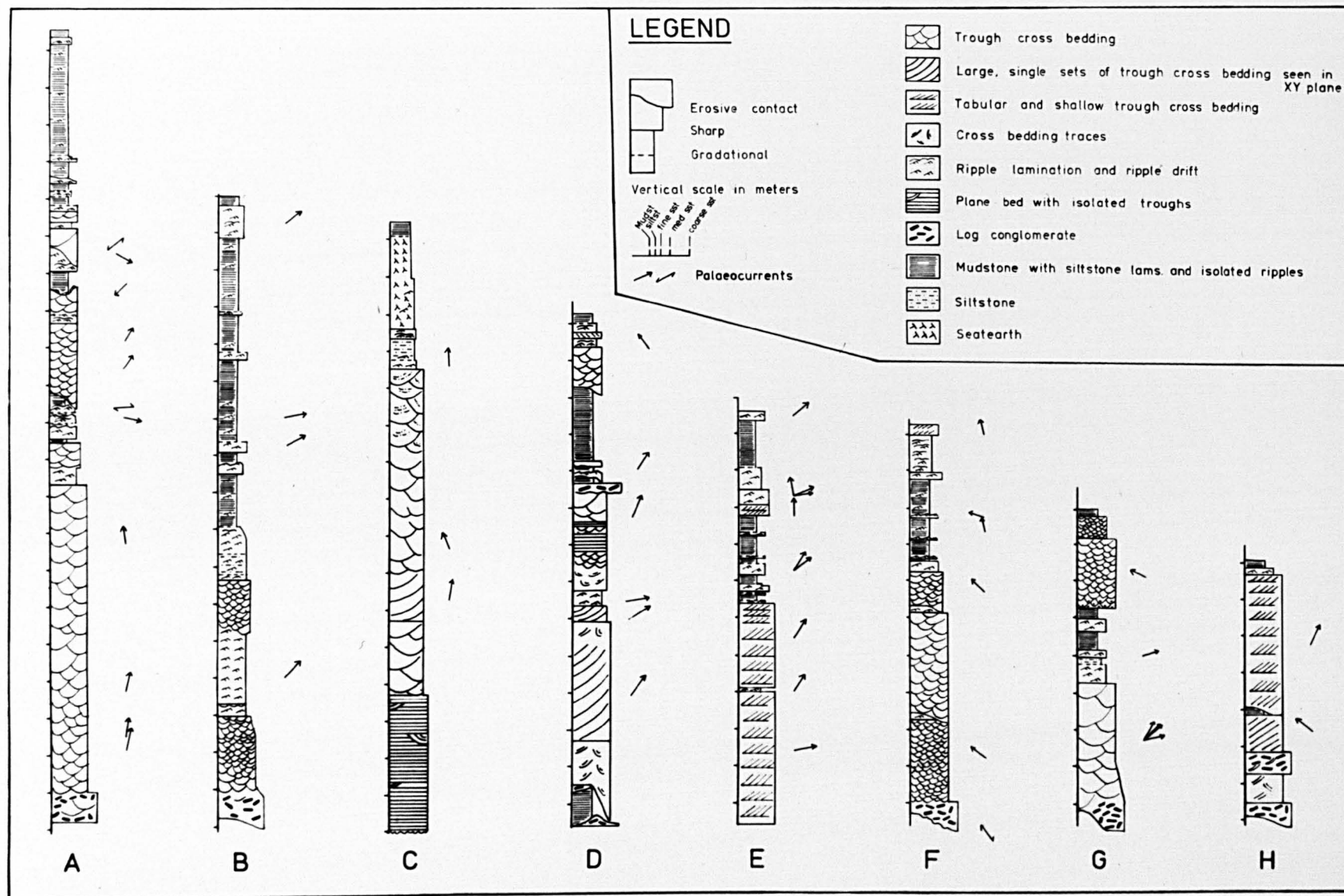
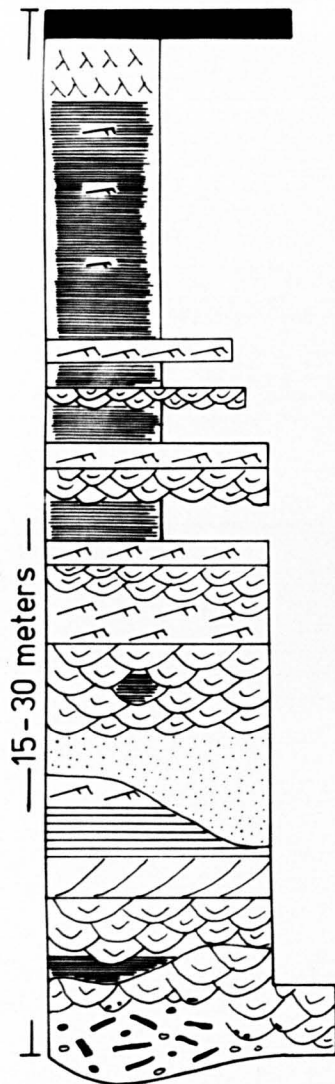


Fig. 70. Composite sequence in the fluvial channel association.



MAIN FEATURES

INTERPRETATION

Seatearth and Coal

Vegetation established when sediment input reduced as active channel moves away.

Siltstone Laminated siltstone, often with small ripple form sets.

Suspension sedimentation in abandoned channel and floodplain.

Alternating Beds Cosets of small scale trough cross bedding and ripple lamination alternating with siltstone. Sandstones fine upwards. Cross bedding variance moderate.

Progressive channel abandonment. Sandstones deposited in active channel during high stage. Channel cut off during low stage when silts are deposited in ponded water.

Main Sandstone Erosively based cosets of cross-bedding, ripple lamination; sometimes parallel lamination and rarely structureless sandstone. Siltstone sometimes occurs in shallow channels near the base, and may also fill in some cross-bedding troughs. Grain size only slightly variable with no upwards decrease. Cross sets do not become smaller upwards. Sequences show very low order. Cross bedding variance low.

Main channel fill. Sequences generated by discharge changes. Dunes and sandwaves often washed out during falling stage. Periodic erosion of previously deposited sediment. Siltstones deposited in ponded water at low stage.

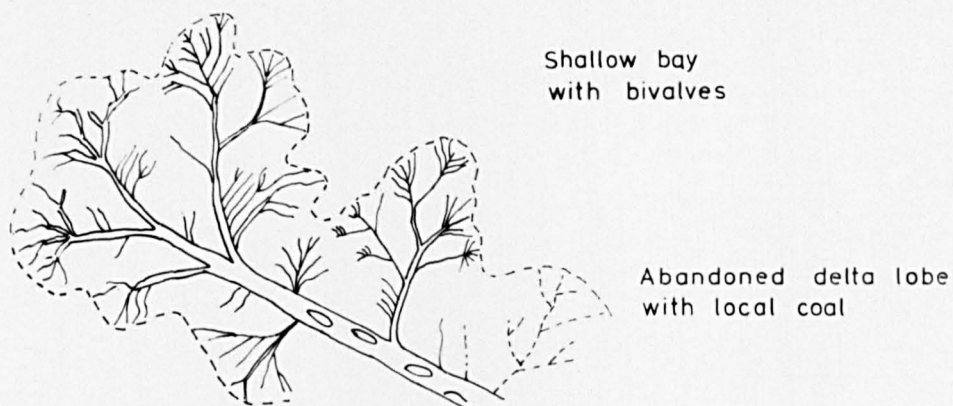
Conglomerate Contains large logs, rolled ironstone and quartz pebbles. Passes laterally and upwards into trough cross bedding.

Collection of coarsest bedload in deepest part of channel.

Major Erosion Surface Shows channel morphology with relief up to several meters. Often rests directly on underlying coal.

Fig. 71. Evolution of the Pennant Cyclothem.

1). Progradation of lobate deltas or crevasse deltas



2). Reworking by large migrating braided river



3). Cut off of sediment supply. Coal forests established across the basin

4). Transgression and establishment of bivalve fauna

SECTION II Plates

Plate 1. Lithofacies 5, Thick Sandstones overlain by Lithofacies 4, Thin-bedded Turbidites, in the Deep Water Association at Corbar Caravan Park, Buxton, (SK 051 740). The sandstones form a thinning upwards sequence. Individual beds are laterally persistent across the quarry.

Plate 2. Close up of the general view shown in Plate 1. Lithofacies 5, Thick Sandstones are overlain by Lithofacies 4, Thin-bedded-Turbidites with sharp bases.

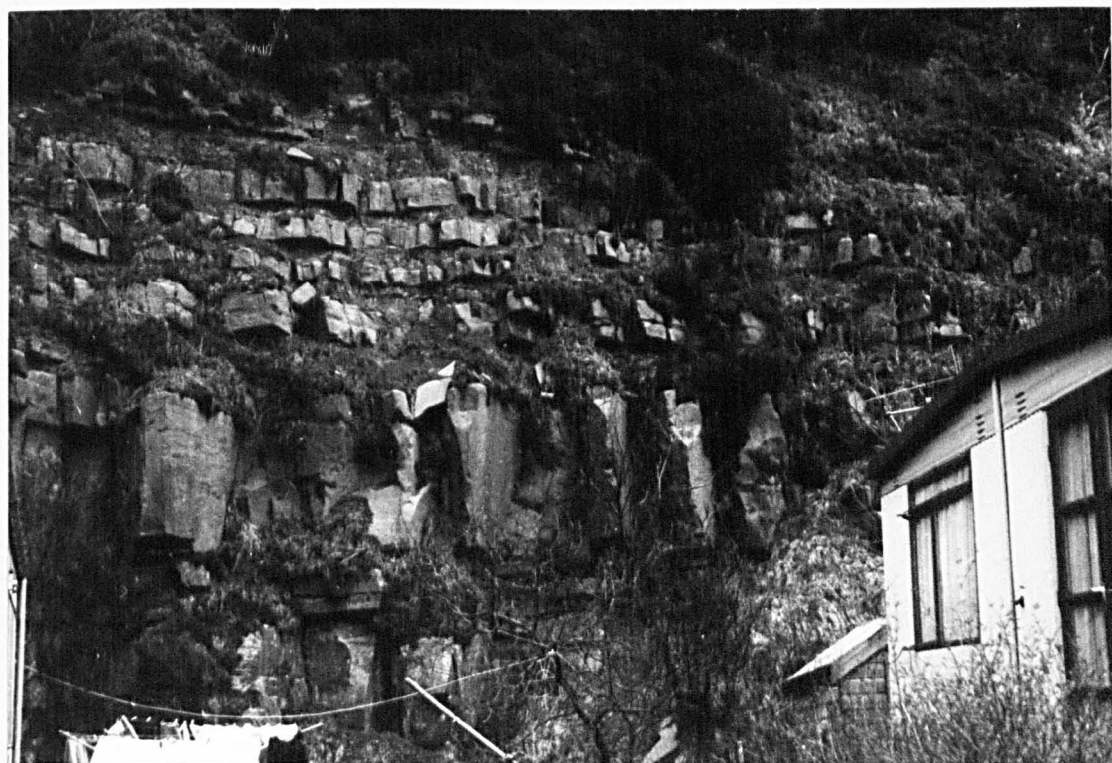


Plate 3. Load casts arranged in rows, possibly deforming earlier flutes or furrows. Base of a Thin-bedded Turbidite from Walker Barn Quarry (SJ 952 736).

Plate 4. Furrows on the base of a Thin-bedded Turbidite. Specimen from stream section below Upper Hulme (SK 0123 6092).

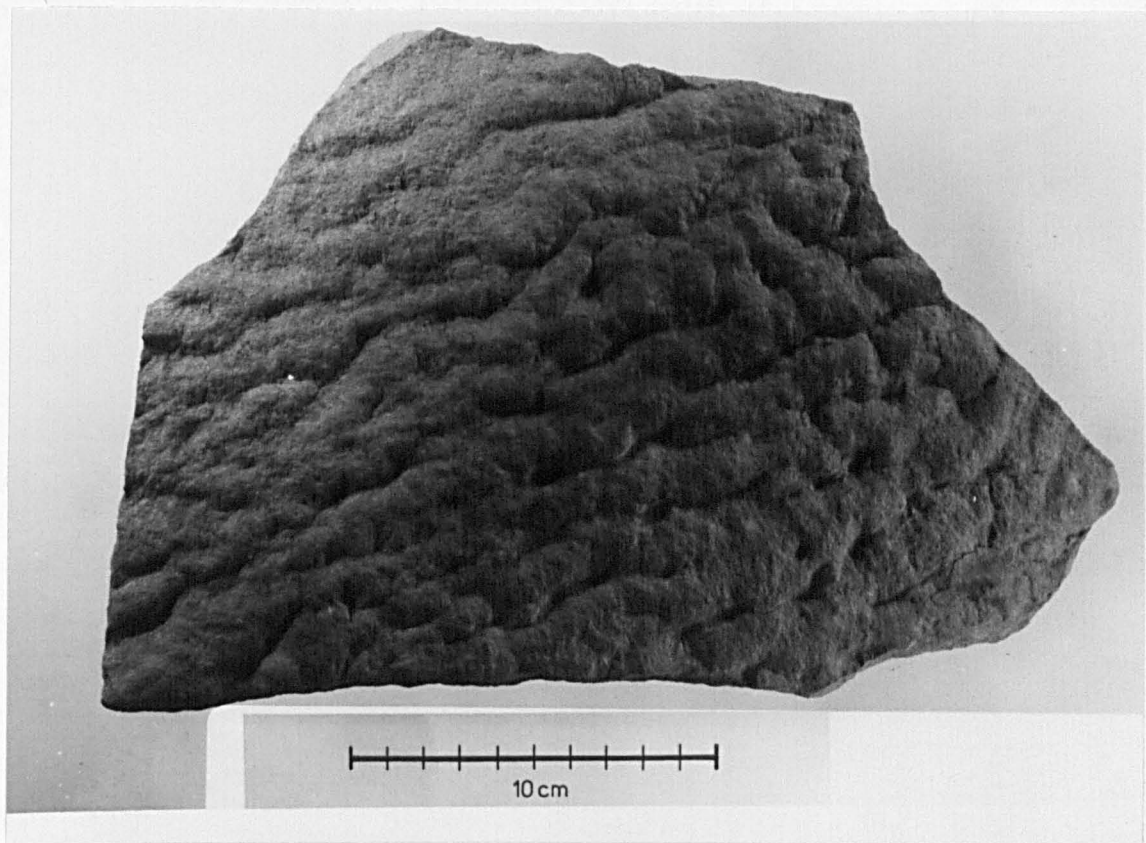


Plate 5. Groove and prod casts slightly modified by later bioturbation. Base of Thin-bedded turbidite from a quarry near Bridgehouse Farm (SK 0368 7200).

Plate 6. Impression of large plant stem at the base of a Thin-bedded Turbidite. From stream section below Upper Hulme. (SK 0123 6092).

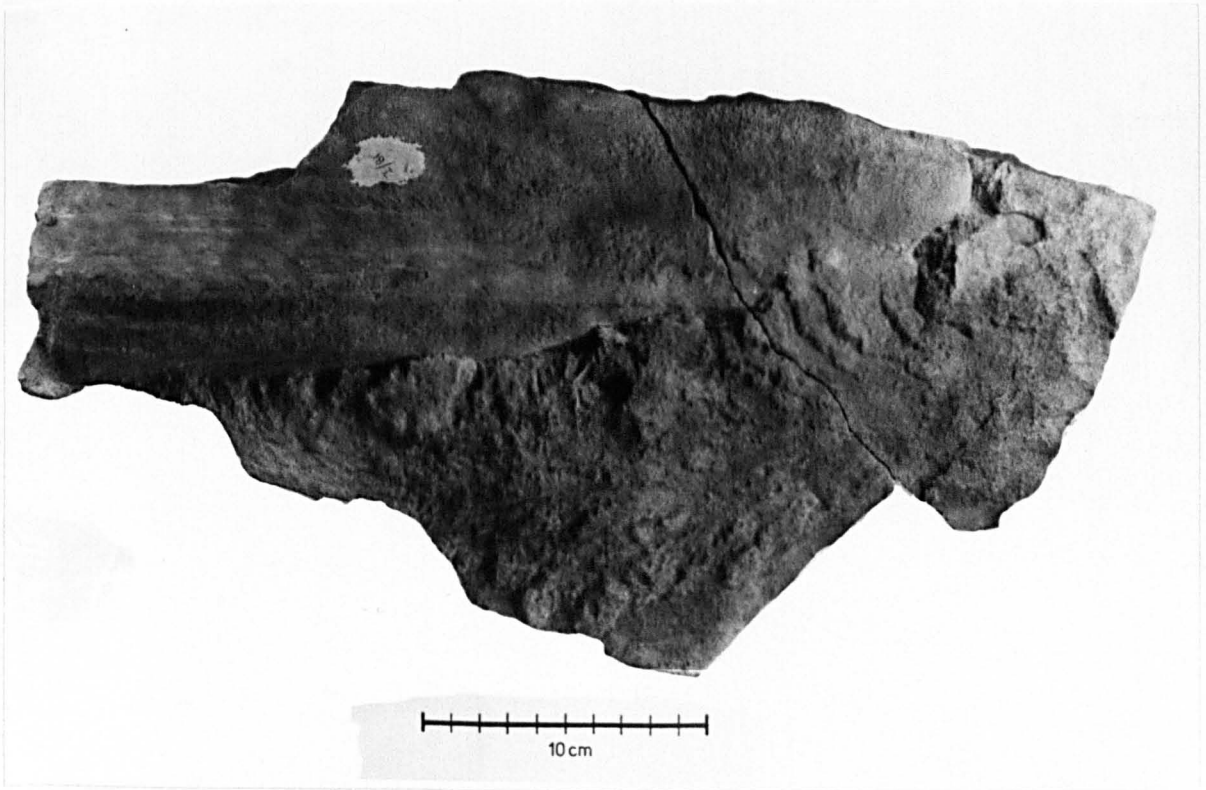
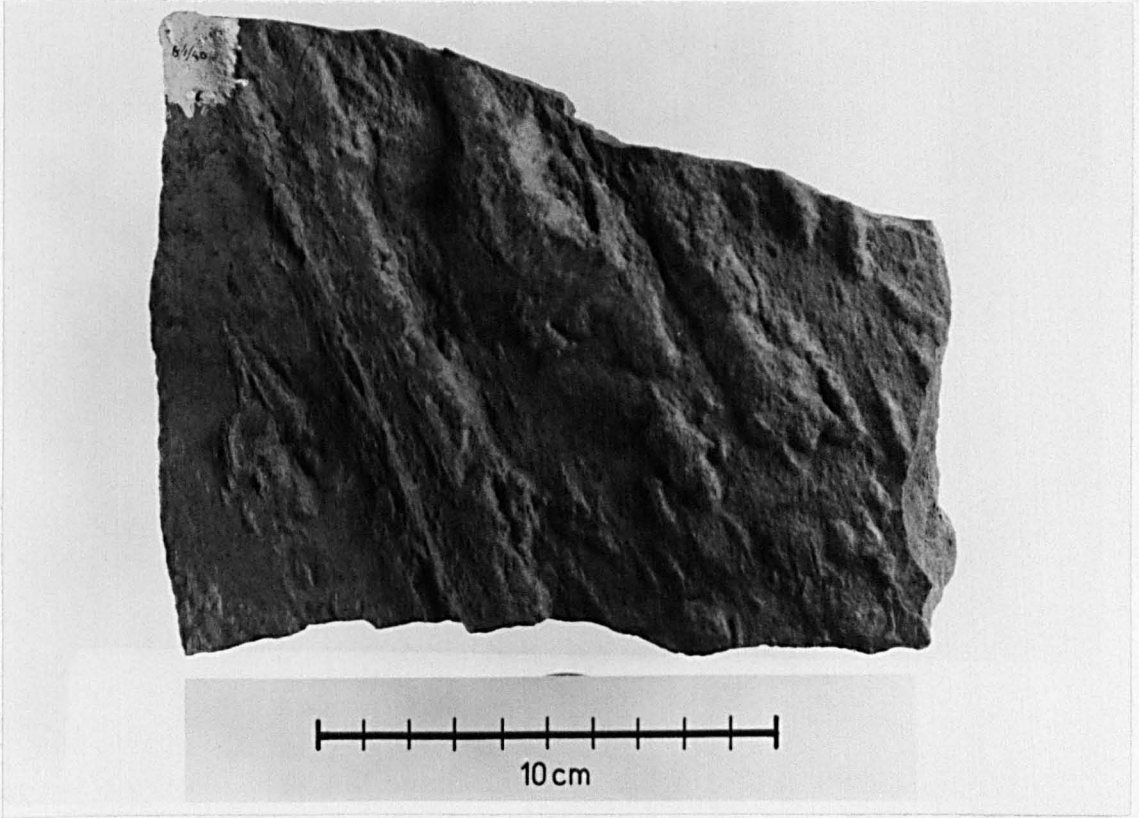


Plate 7. Lithofacies 5. Thick Sandstones at Walker Barn Quarry (SJ 952 736). Individual units become more recognisable towards the top of the section. Height of quarry face about 30m.

Plate 8. Lithofacies 5. Thick Sandstones at Walker Barn Quarry. Large Carbonate concretions up to 3m in diameter are visible in this photograph.

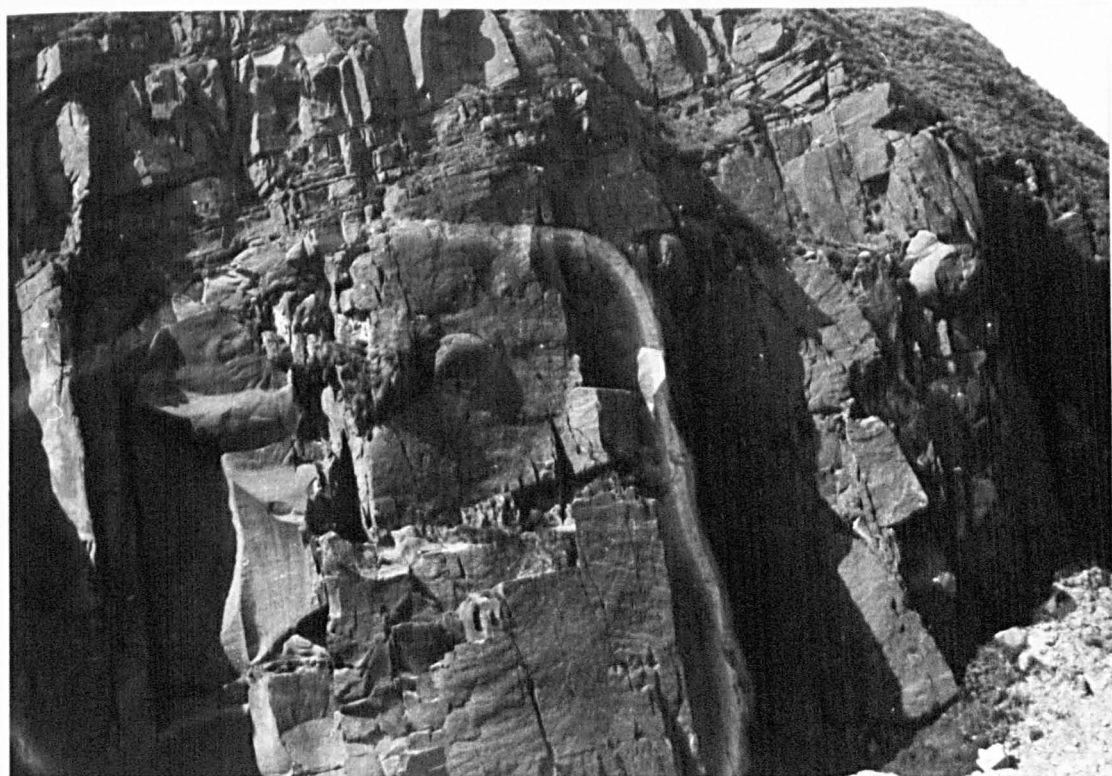


Plate 9. Amalgamation of two beds in Lithofacies 5.

Thick Sandstones marked by a shale flake conglomerate.

Quarry near the Five Clouds (SK 0035 6236).

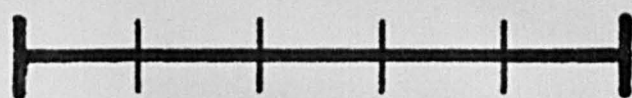
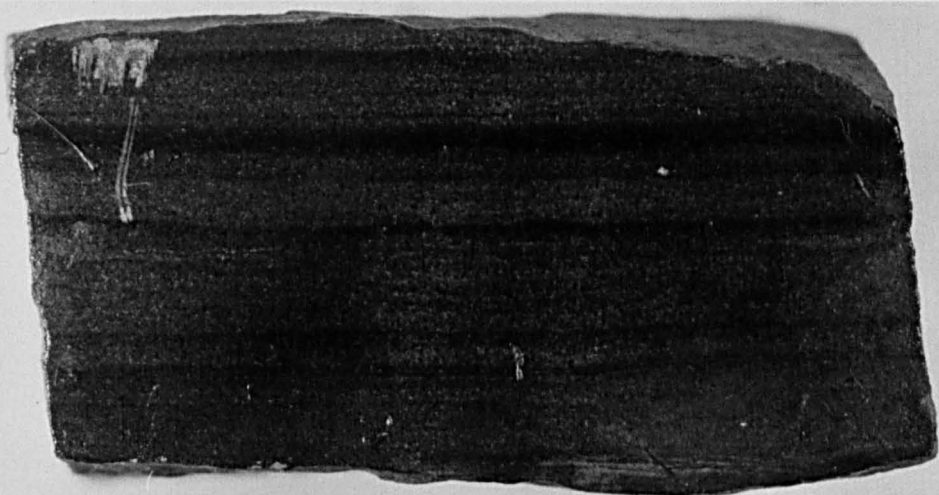
Plate 10. Channelised base to a unit in Lithofacies 5.

Thick Sandstones. Walker Barn Quarry. (SJ 952 736).

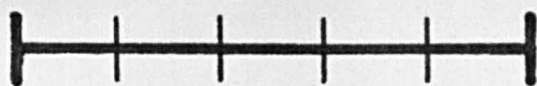
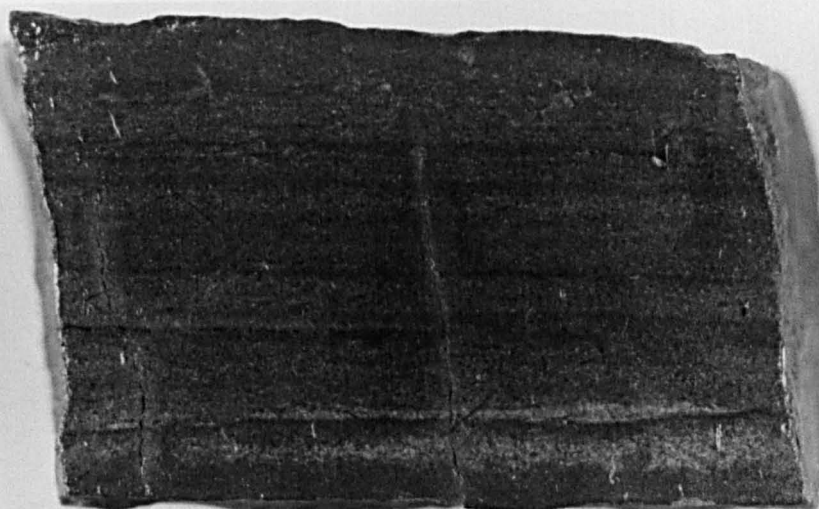


Plate 11. Lithofacies 6. Parallel-sided Sandstone, showing the;
gradational lamination and irregular coarse-fine alternation.
Association A. Specimen from Hogshaw Brook, Buxton
(SK 059 743).

Plate 12. Lithofacies 6. Parallel-sided Sandstone.



5cm



5cm

Plate 13. Lithofacies 7. Ripple-laminated Sandstone, with beds of LF 8, Micaceous, Carbonaceous Sandstone above and below. This is part of a laterally continuous parallel-sided bed. Note the absence of a preserved ripple morphology at the top and the traces of bioturbation.

Association B. Upper Hulme.

Plate 14. Lithofacies 7. Ripple-laminated Sandstone in parallel sided beds interbedded with Lithofacies 8. Micaceous + Carbonaceous Sandstone in less resistant beds which weather back. Association B. River Dane at Danbridge. (SJ 9657 6517).

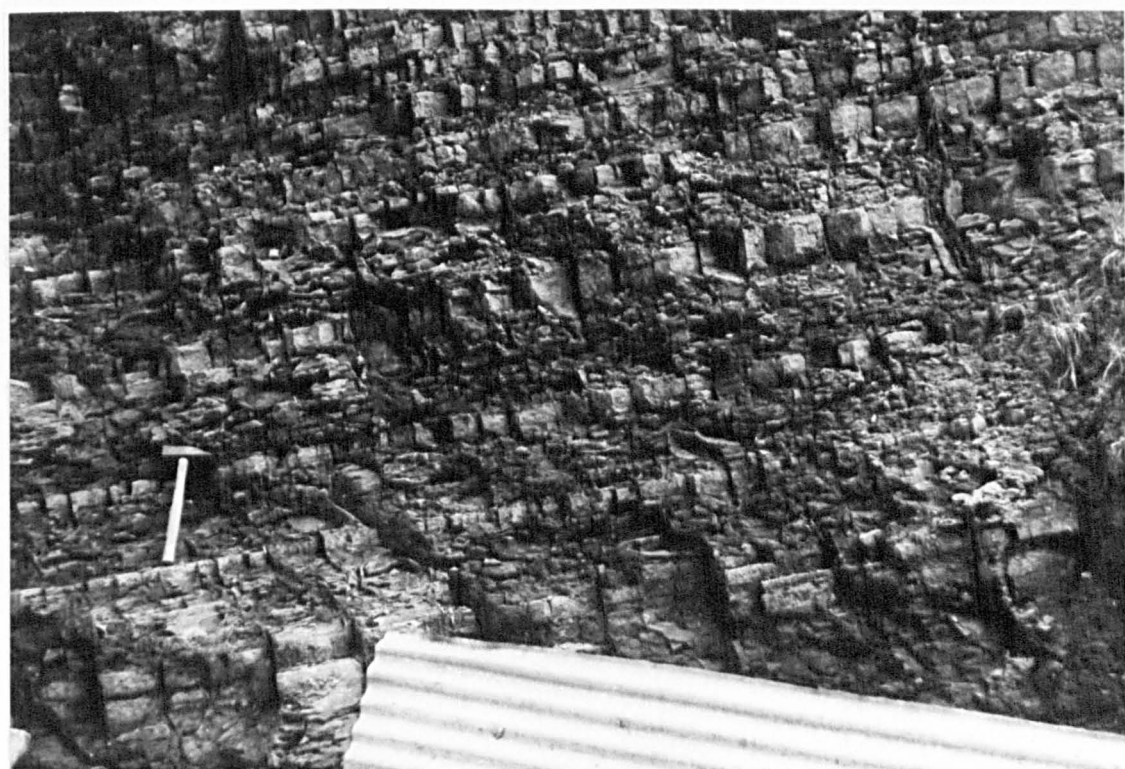
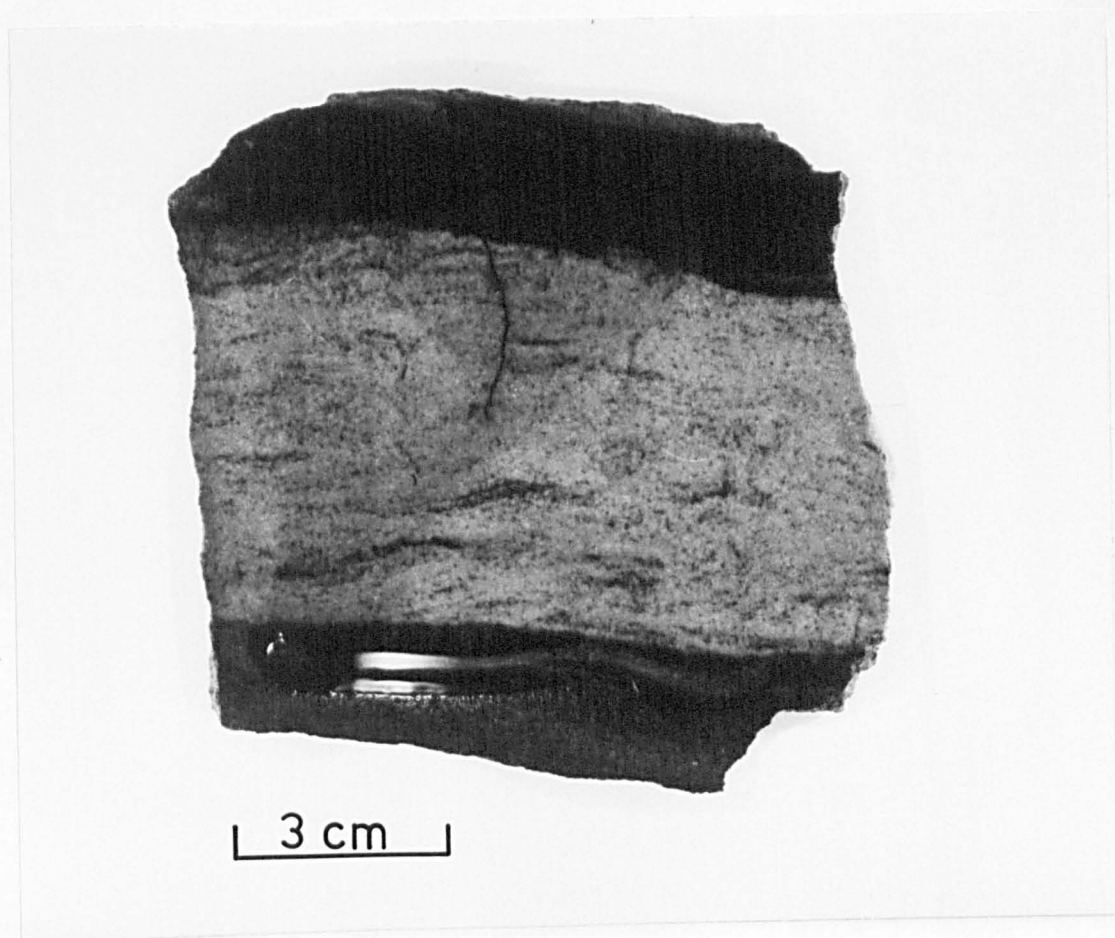


Plate 15. Section through a parallel-sided bed of LF 7 Ripple-laminated Sandstone. Note the irregular alternation of light coloured quartz sand and darker carbonaceous sand. Pelecypodichnus traces have destroyed most of the original cross-lamination.
Loose block. Bosley Mill stream section.

Plate 16. Lithofacies 12. Lenticularly-bedded Sandstone overlain by Lithofacies 13. Channel-fill Coarse Sandstone.
Association C. River Dane, (SJ 9706 6622)



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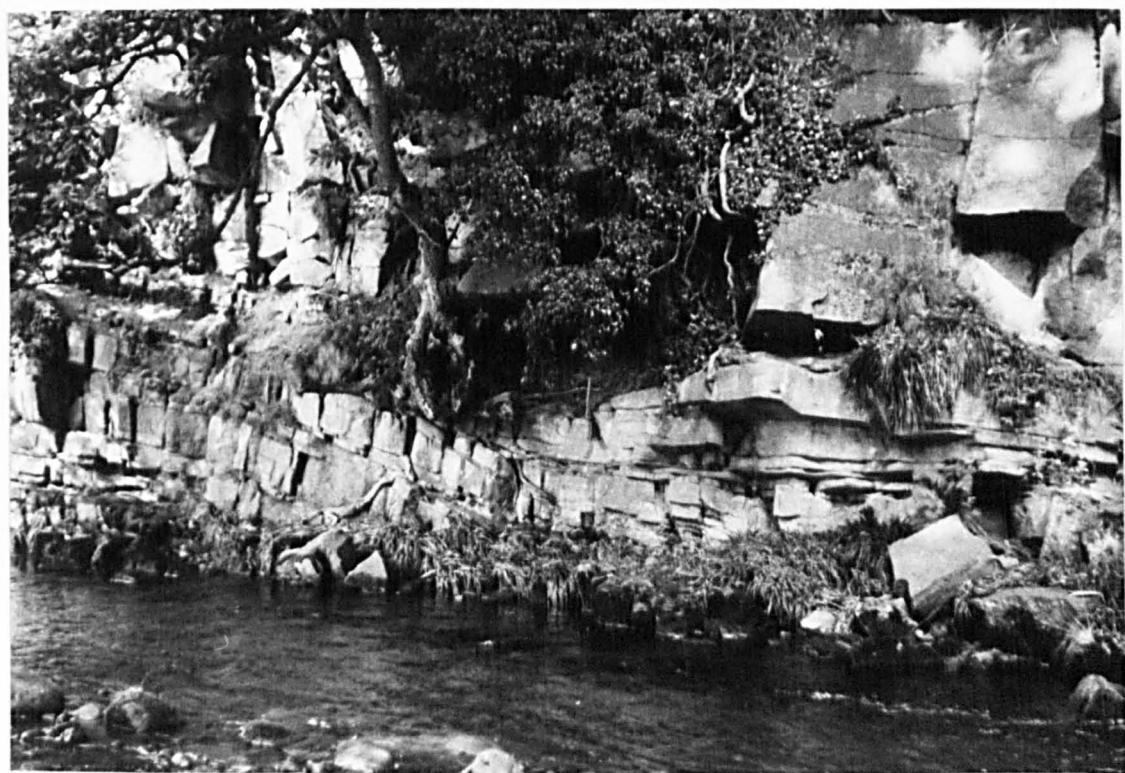


Plate 17. Lenticularly-bedded Sandstone interbedded with Ripple-laminated Sandstones and Silty Mudstones. The thick bed of LF 12 marked by the hammer shows parallel lamination and thins out towards the right. Quarry near Chapel-en-le-Frith Railway Station. Association C.
(SK 0559 7932).

Plate 18. Lithofacies 13. Channel-fill Coarse Sandstone with erosive base (arrow). The undulating top is filled in by a mainly ripple-laminated lateral accretion unit forming the Waterfall. Hogshaw Brook, Buxton.
Association C. (SK 0546 7497)



Plate 19. Stepped flutes at the base of LF 13. Channel-fill
Coarse Sandstone shown in Plate 16. River Dane,
(SJ 9706 6622).

Plate 20. Lithofacies 7, Ripple-laminated Sandstone with
Pelecypodichnus. Association C. Upper Slope, near
Folly Mill. (SJ 9699 6635).

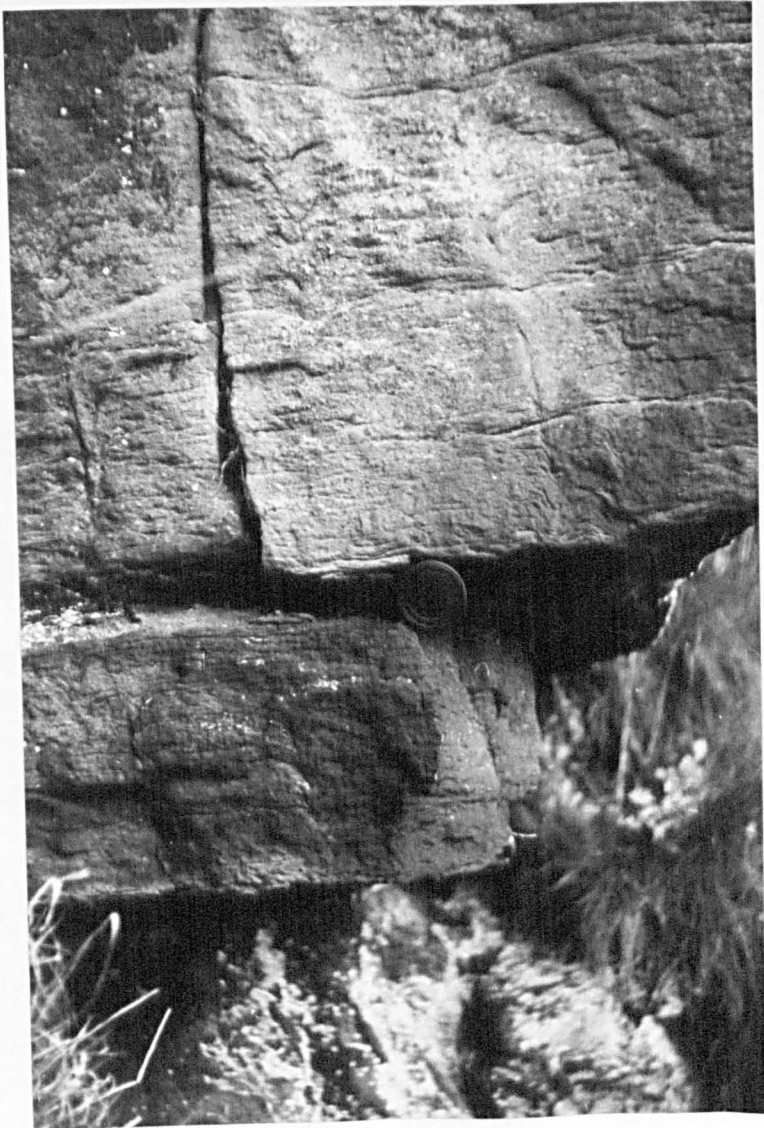


Plate 21. Lithofacies 12. Lenticularly-bedded Sandstone with a sharp, strongly fluted base overlain by a lateral accretion unit with Lithofacies 7 Ripple-laminated Sandstone. Association C. Upper Slope. Hogshaw Brook, Buxton. (SK 0546 7489).

Plate 22. Inclined bedding in coarse sandstone with traces of ripple-lamination overlain by an irregularly based channel filled with structureless coarse sandstone. Association C. Upper Slope; landslip scar above Holehouse Bank (SK 9669 6546). The 'waves' in the corrugated sheet are 6cm across.



Plate 23. Coset of LF 14 Medium-Scale Cross-bedding. Most sets have angular bases, but some show traces of regressive intrasets. Lag deposits of coarse grained structureless sand occur at the bases of the sets.

The Roaches.

Plate 24. Coset of LF 14, Medium Scale Cross-bedding. Some sets have angular bases, others are tangential.

Hen Cloud.

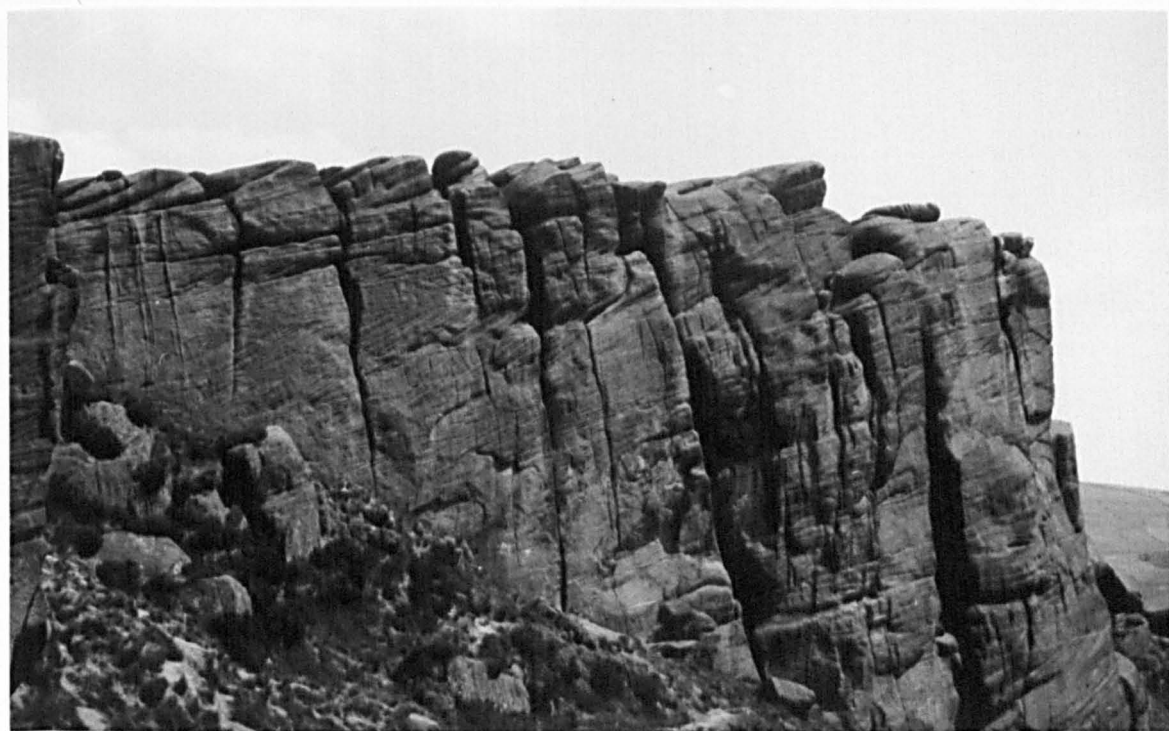
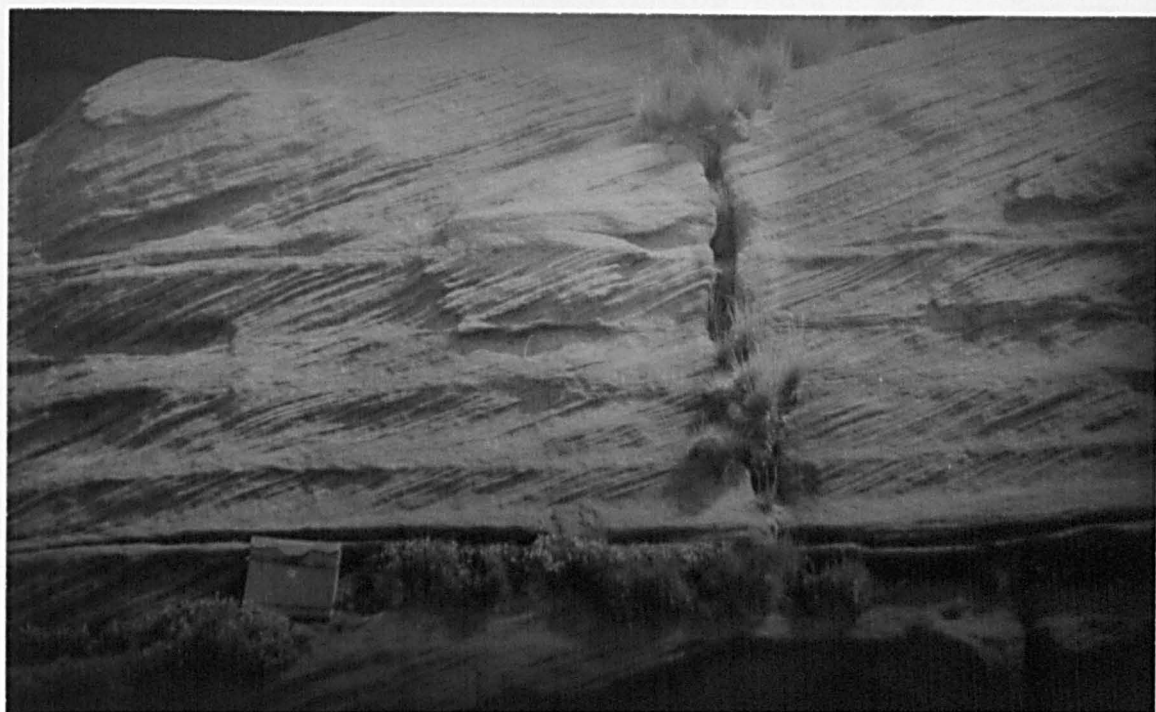


Plate 25. LF 14 Medium Scale Cross-bedding with interfingering
foresets and regressive intrasets. The Roaches.
(SK 006 622).

Plate 26. Coset of LF 14 Medium Scale Cross-bedding.
Sets have regressive intrasets. In the lower set there
is a sharp angular contact between the foresets, most
of which have been removed by erosion and the intrasets.
The Roaches. (SJ 999 641)



Plate 27. LF 14 Medium Scale Cross-bedding. Avalanche foresets have a sharp angular junction with toesets.

The Roaches. (SK 006 622)

Plate 28. LF 14 Medium Scale Cross-bedding showing details of the very well sorted foreset lamination.

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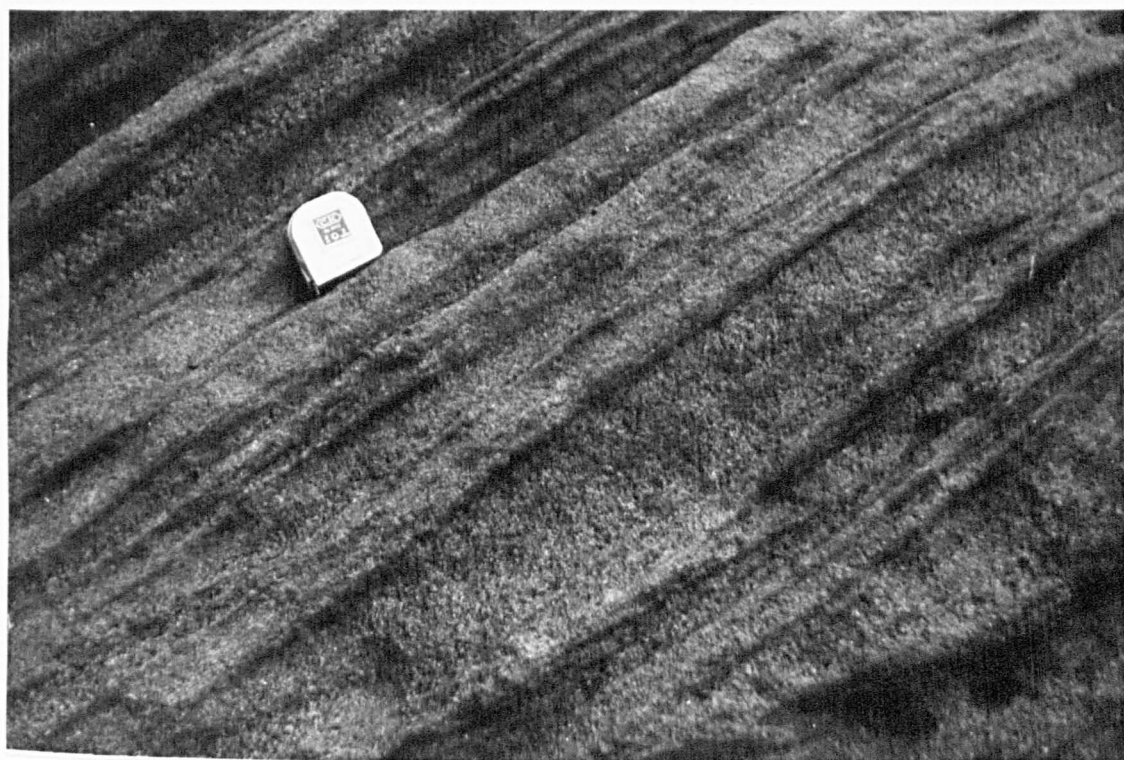
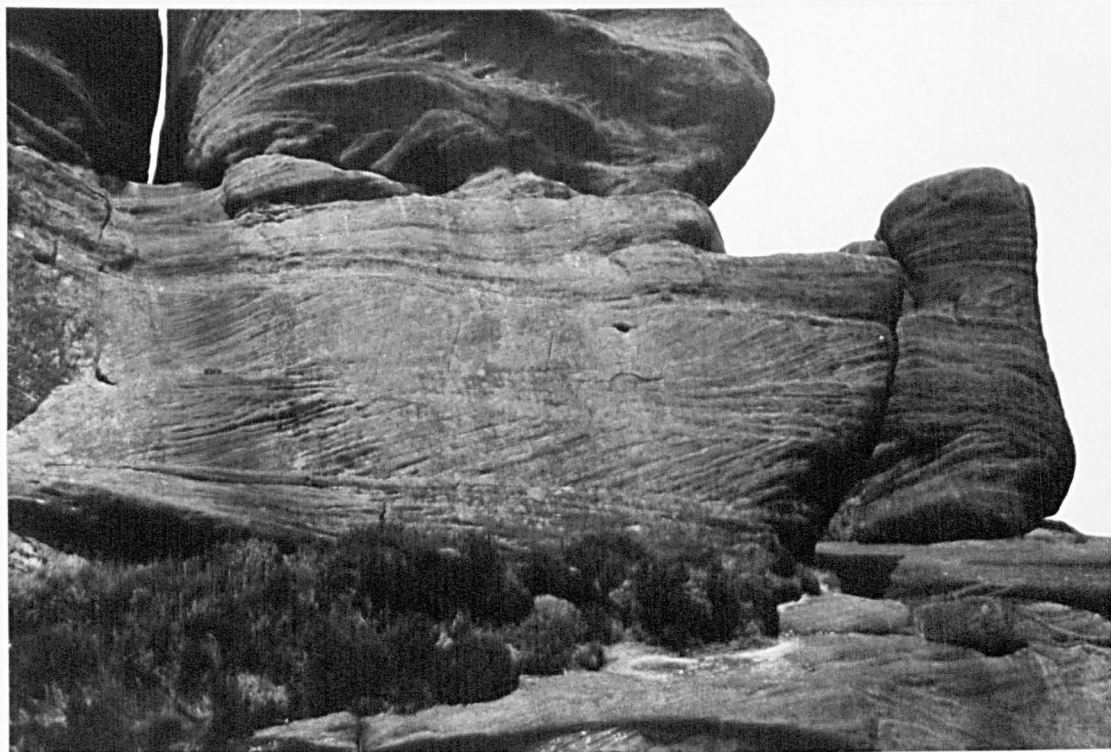


Plate 29. LF 14 Medium Scale Cross-bedding with multiple convex upwards internal erosion surfaces. These are fairly evenly spaced, and show a marked increase in inclination down the XY plane. They extend right to the base of the major set.

The Roaches (SK 006 623)

Plate 30. View of multiple convex upwards erosion surfaces in the YZ plane showing the essentially tabular nature of the sub sets.

The Roaches. (SK 999 641)

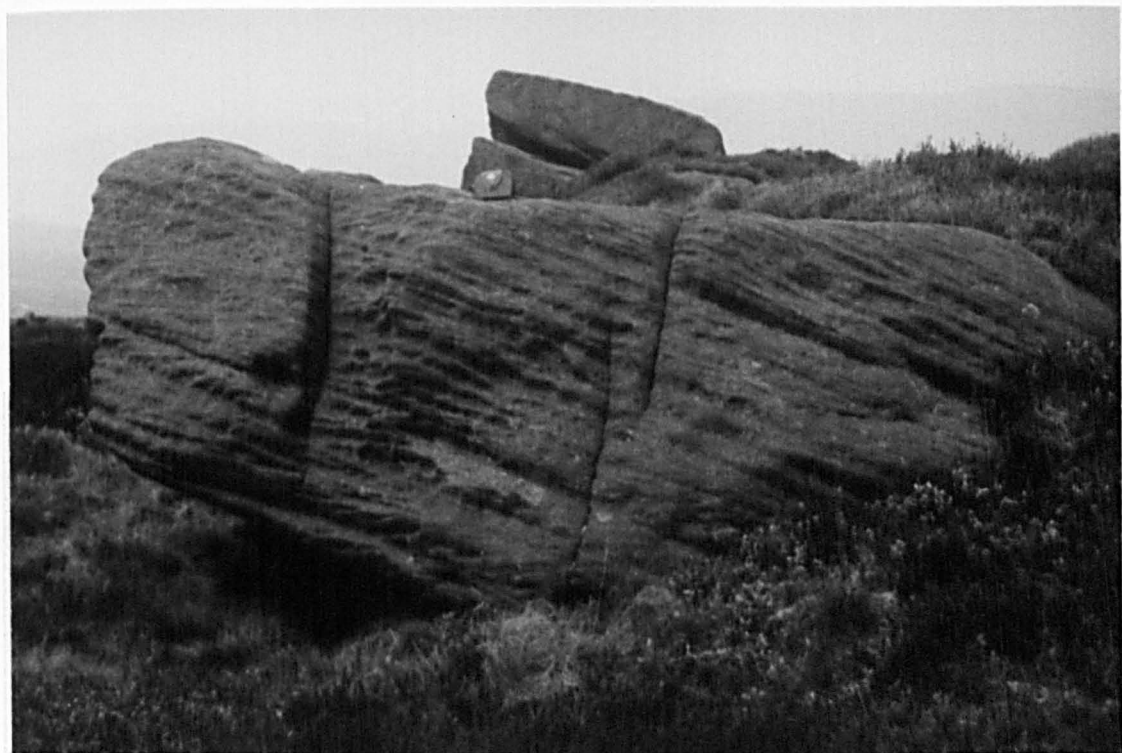
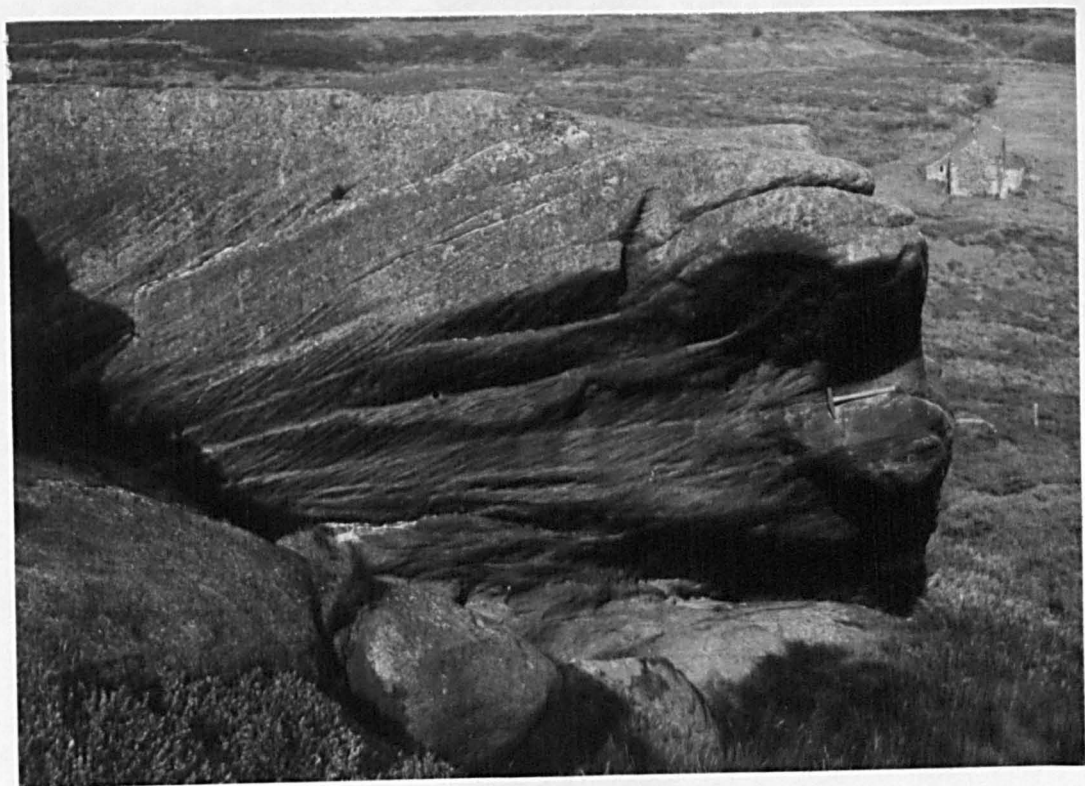


Plate 31. Multiple convex erosion surfaces. Low angle surfaces dipping at $8 - 10^{\circ}$ alternate with steeper surfaces dipping at $15 - 20^{\circ}$. Horizontal given by the flat erosion surface (arrowed) at the base of the overlying set. Lithofacies 14.

This photograph is of the central panel in Fig.32.

The Roaches. (SJ 9999 6410)



Plate 32. Type (a) concave erosion surfaces, arrowed, in LF 14.
The Roaches (SK 007 622)

Plate 33. Concave erosion surface, arrowed, overlain by a coset
of small scale trough cross bedding. Field sketch of
this example given in Fig.34b. Lithofacies 14.
The Roaches at Doxey Pool. (SK 0039 6285)

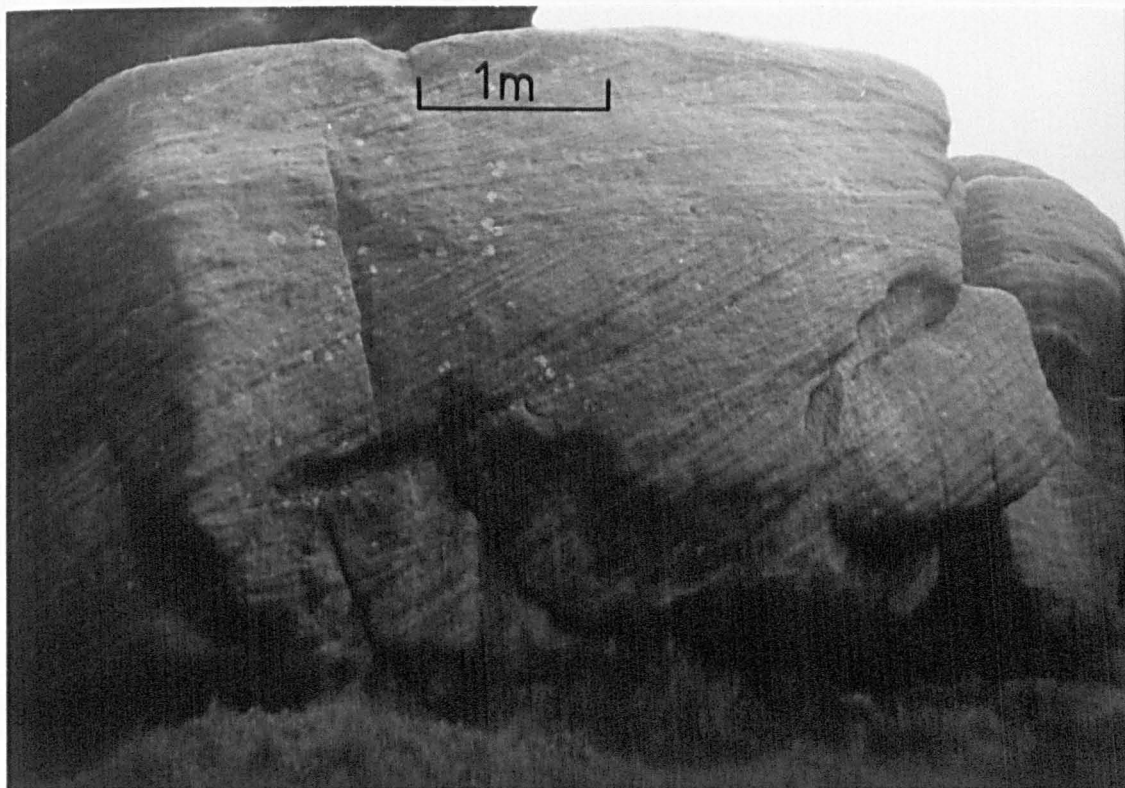
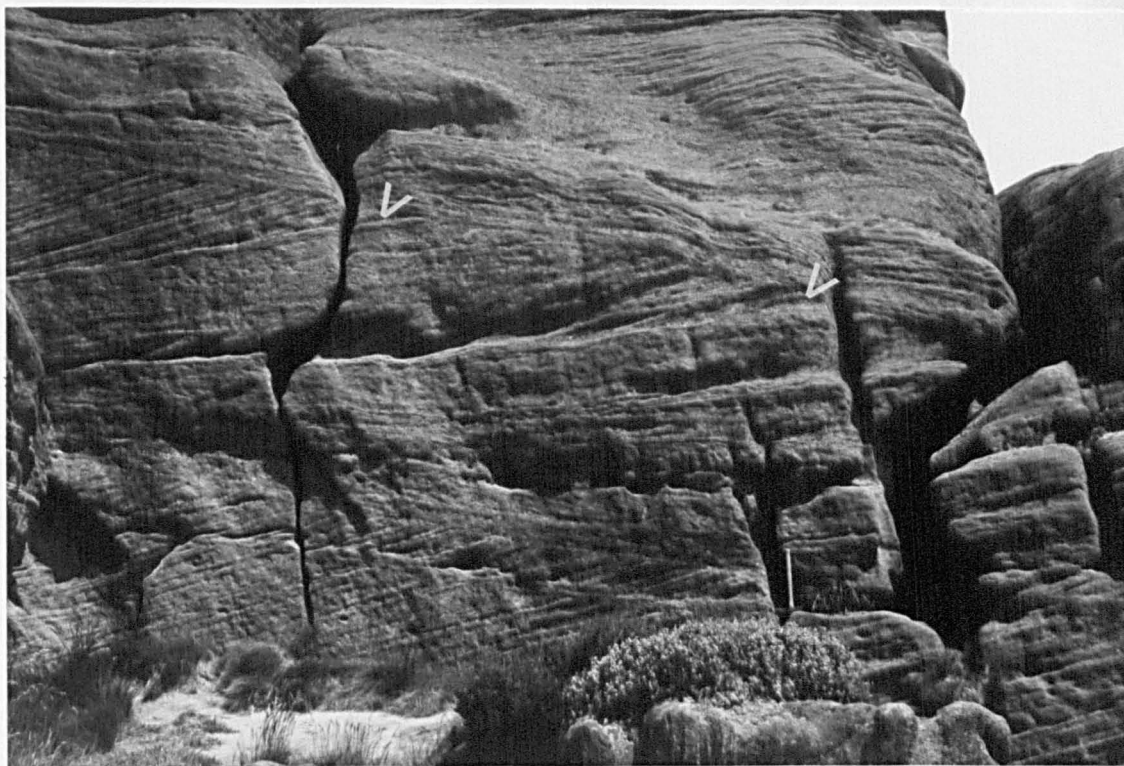


Plate 34. Disturbances of the foreset lamination in LF 14
Medium Scale Cross-bedding. The disturbances appear
in the upper part of the set.
The Roaches.

Plate 35. Severe disturbance in LF 14 Medium Scale Cross-bedding,
with the lamination bent over.
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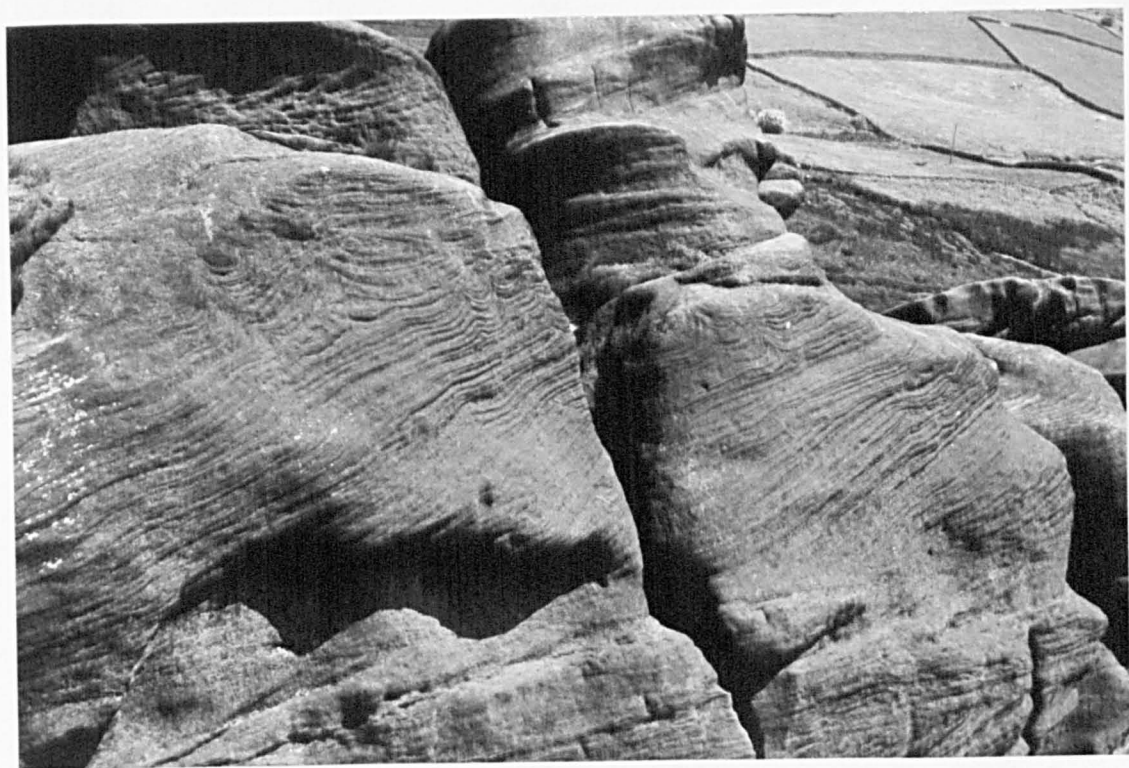


Plate 36. Details of the avalanche foresets in a set of LF 15 Large Scale Cross-bedding. The main set is 9m high with toesets only developed in the basal 0.5m. The individual foresets are here very thin and well sorted. Many do not extend for more than 1m. The Roaches.

Plate 37. Large Scale Cross-bedding at Hen Cloud. Note the tangentially bedded foresets. Photo shows the middle part of the set in Fig.37.

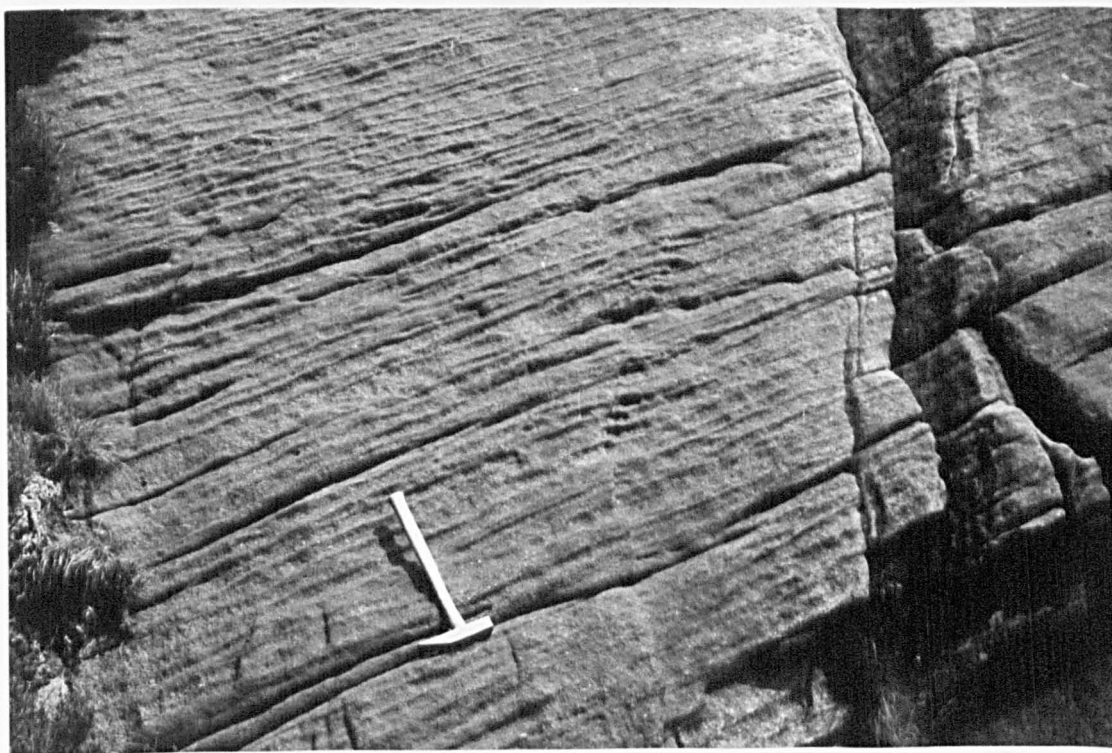


Plate 38. LF 15 Large Scale Cross-bedding with numerous smaller
'intrasets'.

Hangingsstone. (SJ 9743 6540)

Plate 39. A steep concave shaped erosion surface at the base of
a bed of LF 16 Faintly-laminated Coarse Sandstone cut
into Large Scale Cross-bedding. Very faint lamination
parallel to the erosion surface is visible.

Ramshaw Rocks (SK 0195 6225)



Plate 40. A very steep erosion surface at the base of a bed of LF 16 Faintly-laminated Coarse Sandstone. It dips westwards, downcurrent as determined from the underlying and overlying Large Scale Cross-bedding.

Ramshaw Rocks. (SK 0198 6229)

Plate 41. A concave shaped erosion surface cut into LF 15 Large Scale Cross-bedding. The overlying bed of LF 16 Faintly-laminated Coarse Sandstone shows very faint lamination parallel to the erosion surface, which flattens towards the top of the bed.

This is the lower bed of FLCS shown in Fig.42.

It is very impersistant and thins out laterally.

Ramshaw Rocks (SK 0189 6204)

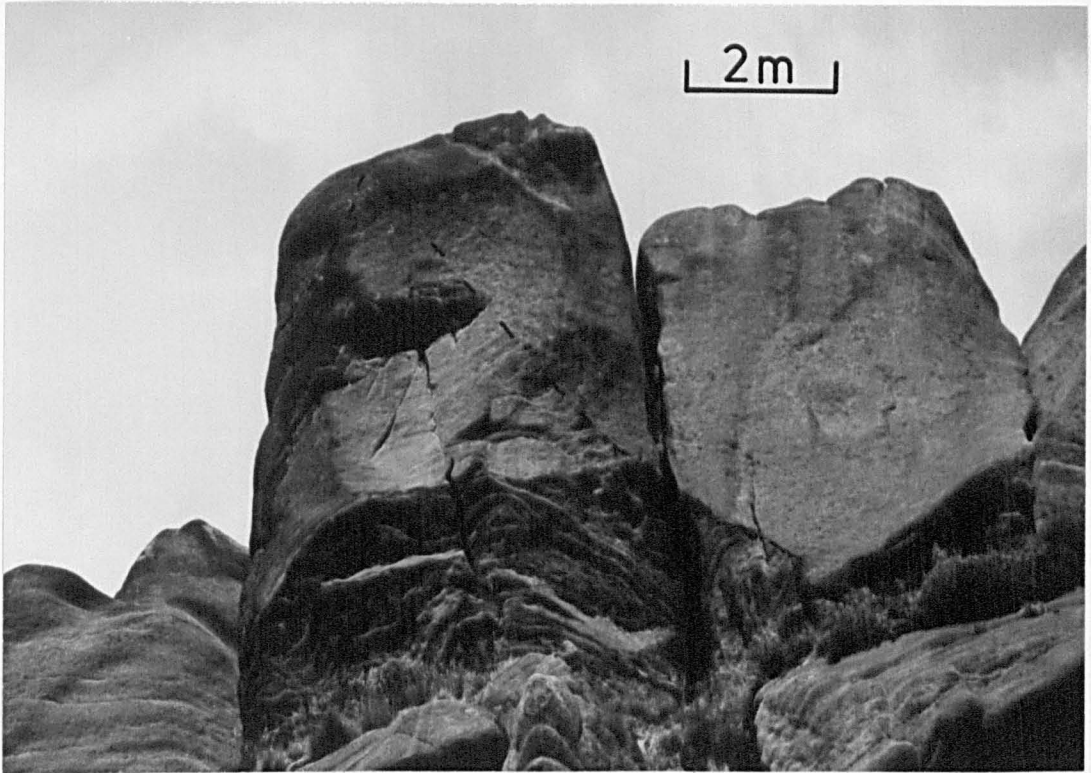


Plate 42. Two intersecting erosion surfaces in LF 16 FLCS,
cut into Large Scale Cross-bedding. The bed overlying
the earlier surface contains more pebbles and this is
clearly cut out by the later bed.

Ramshaw Rocks (SK 0194 6222)

Plate 43. Small amplitude undulatory lamination in LF 16.

See also Fig.41a.

The Roaches. (SK 0003 6367)

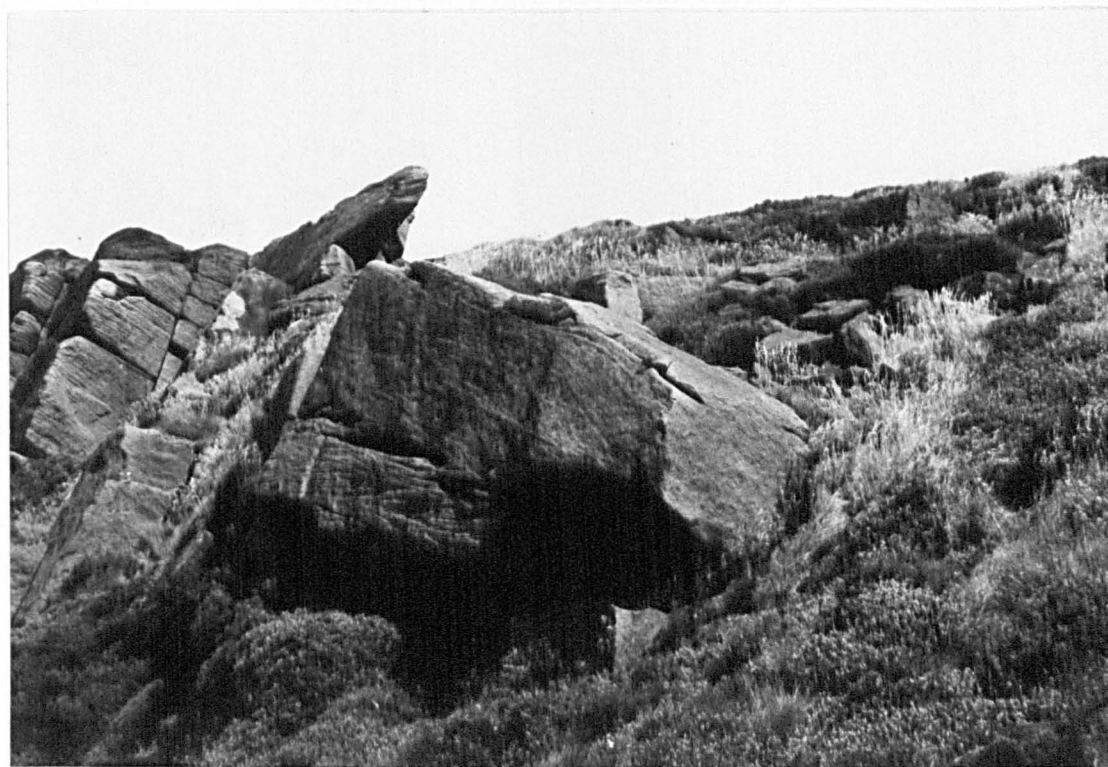


Plate 44. Large scale undulatory lamination in LF 16.

See also Fig.41b.

Ramshaw Rocks. (SK 0187 6204)

Plate 45. Faint undulatory lamination in LF 16. An erosion surface truncates one set of lamination and is succeeded conformably by another set. The block on the right has moved upwards relative to the block on the left.

Reconstructed in Fig.41e.

The Roaches.

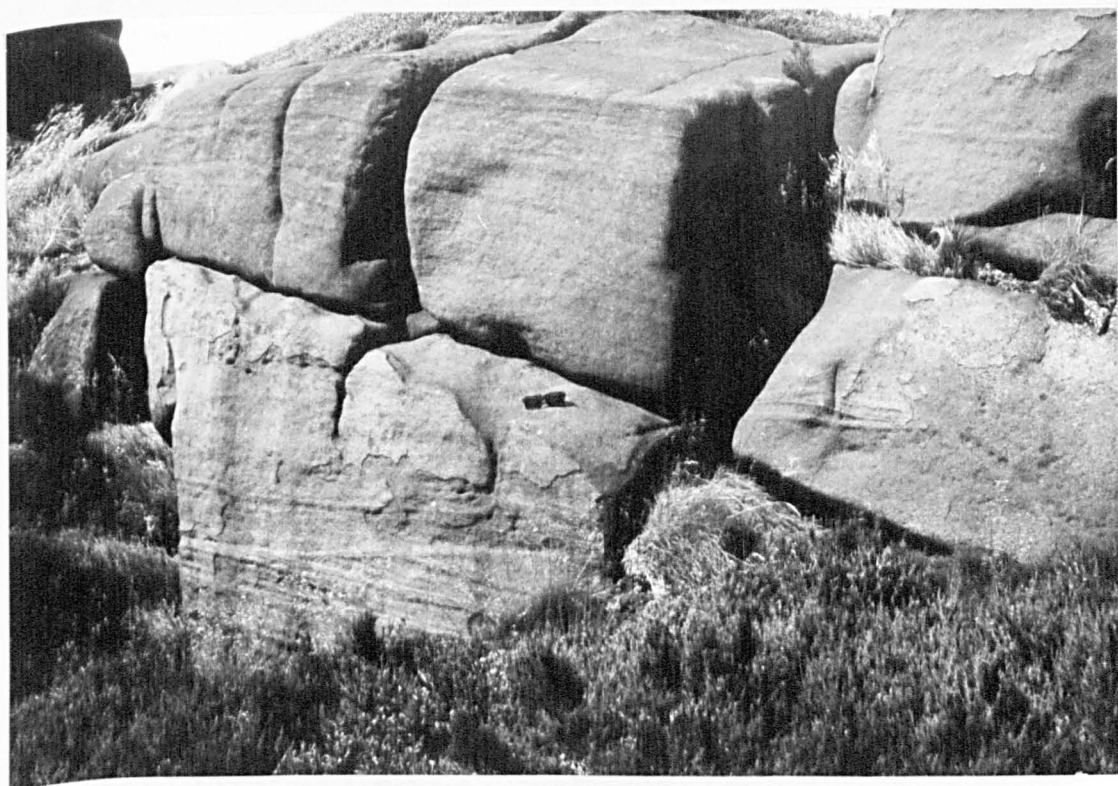
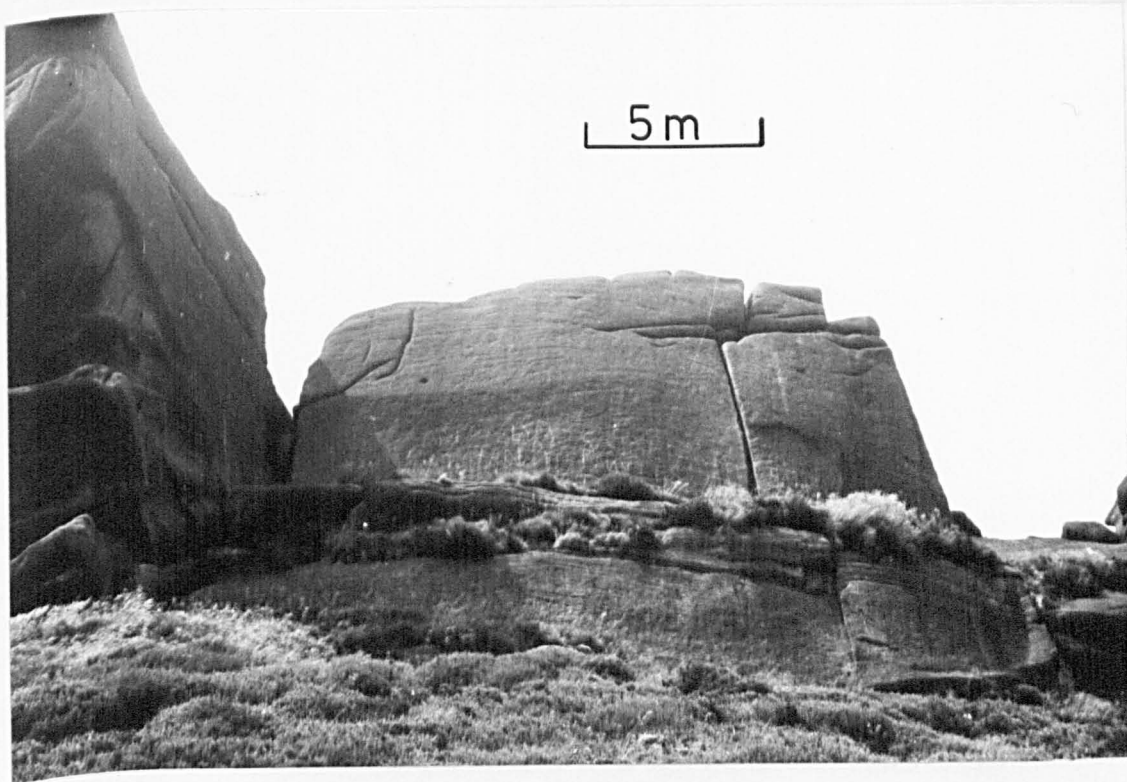


Plate 46. Bed of LF 16 FLCS, erosively overlying a set of Large Scale Cross-bedding. This bed contains two sets of faint lamination, the younger set truncating the older set. (See also Fig.43f)

This bed passes to the right into the foresets of another set of LSXB.

The Roaches (SK 0035 6284)

Plate 47. Alternation of structureless or faintly laminated sandstone of LF 16 with small sets and cosets of LF 10 Trough Cross-bedded Sandstone.

The Roaches.

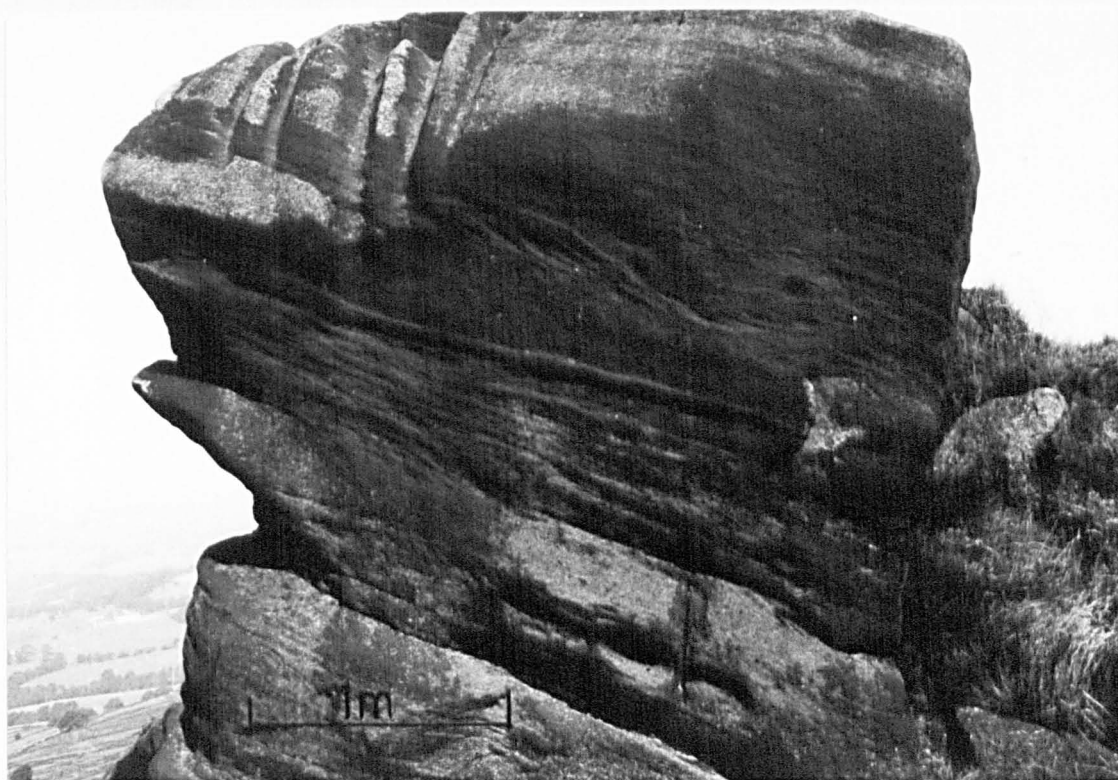
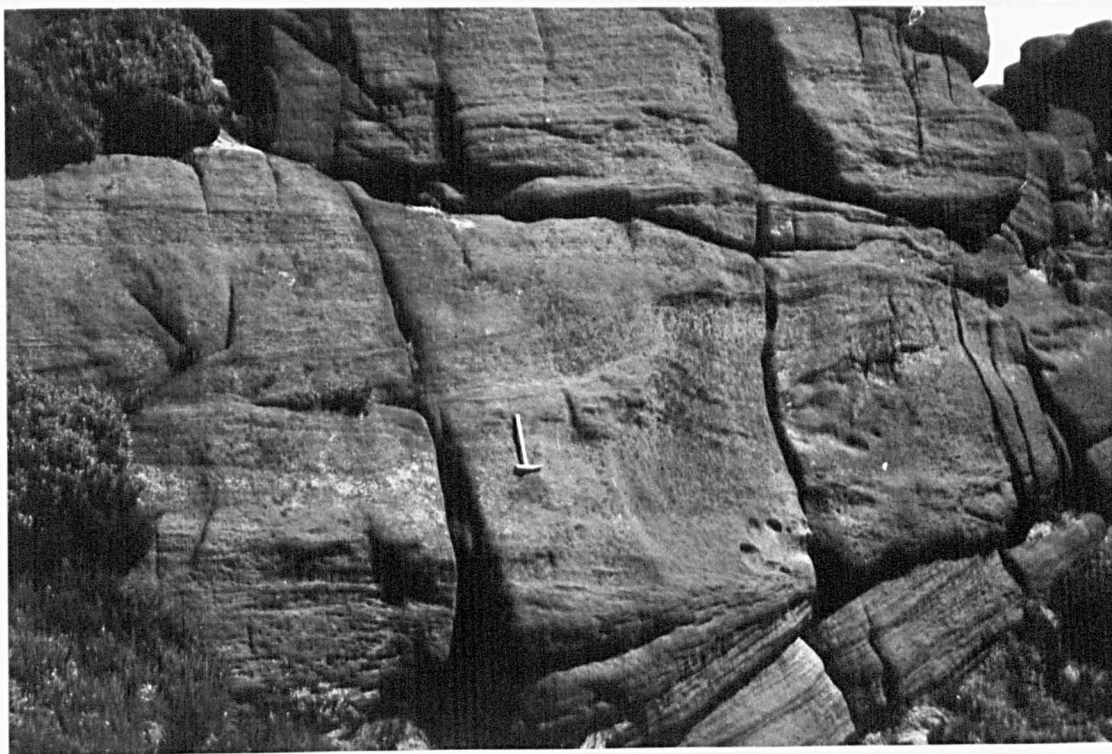


Plate 48. Coset of LF 10 Trough Cross-bedded Sandstone overlying
a bed of LF 16 Faintly-laminated Coarse Sandstone.
The Roaches.

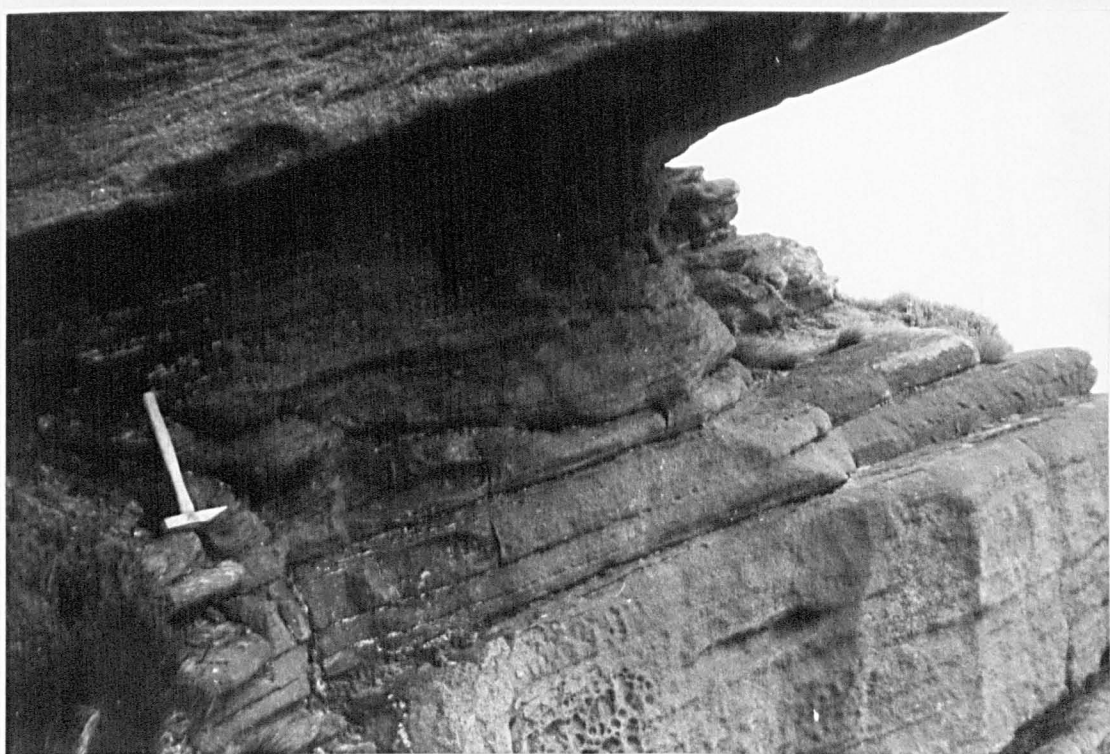


Plate 49. Oblique aerial photograph of the northern end of the Roaches, showing the upper delta slope and delta top. Three channel fills forming features appear at successively higher levels in the sequence towards the north, (left).

The main delta slope sequence is not exposed. In the lower right hand corner of the photograph a large asymmetrical turbidite filled channel is cut into the slope sequence.

See also Fig.49.

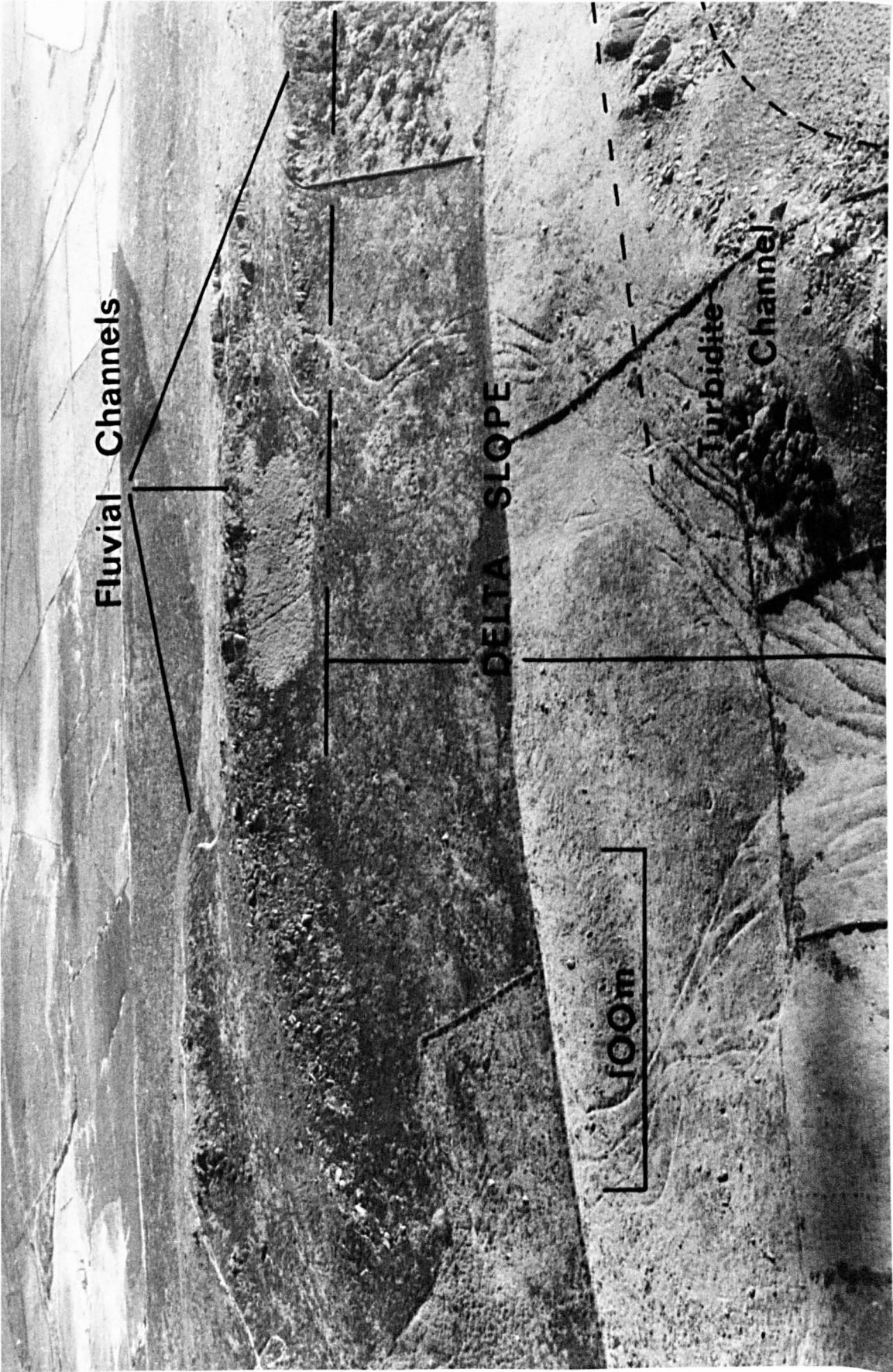
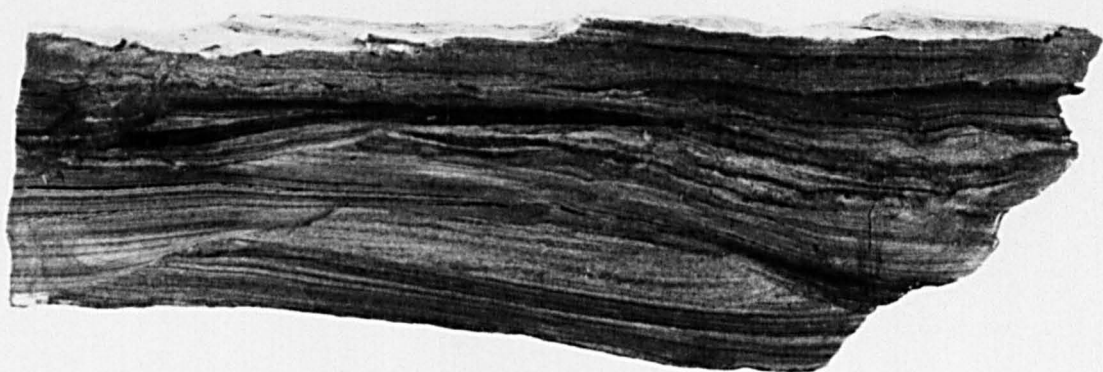


Plate 50. Lithofacies 18, Wave-laminated Sandstone.

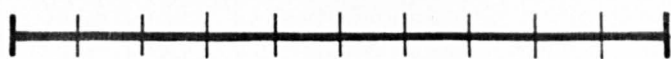
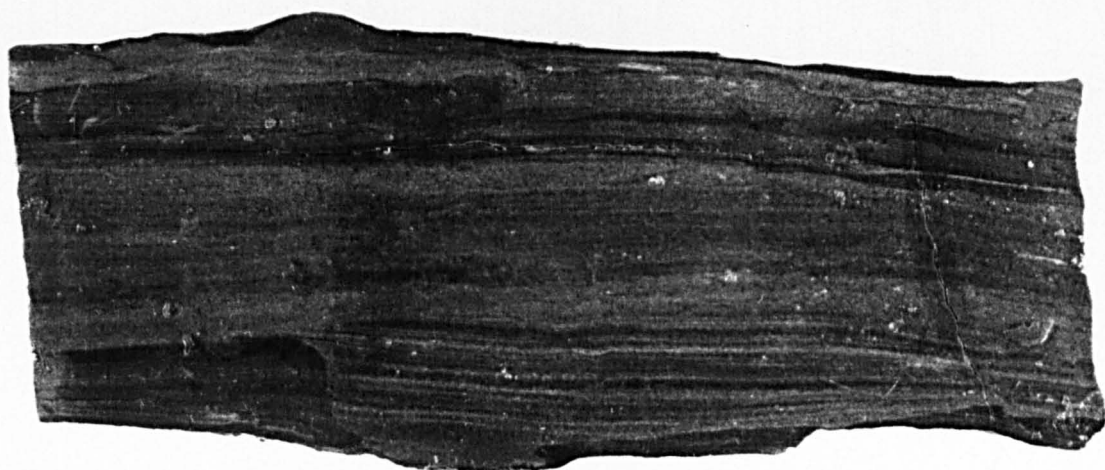
Cumberland Brook (SS 993 698).

Plate 51. Lithofacies 18, Wave-laminated Sandstone,

Cumberland Brook (SS 993 698).



5 cm



10 cm

Plate 52. Lithofacies 18, Wave-laminated Sandstone.

Most of the lamination has been destroyed by bioturbation.

Traces of a Rhizocorallid burrow occur on the far right.

Cumberland Brook (SS 993 698)

Plate 53. Coarsening upwards sequence in Association D.

The grassy ledge at the base of the photograph marks the top of a fluvial channel fill. Above this the sequence coarsens up through Silty Mudstone into Wave-laminated Sandstone. Stream section north of Allgreave Bridge (SJ 9699 6739)

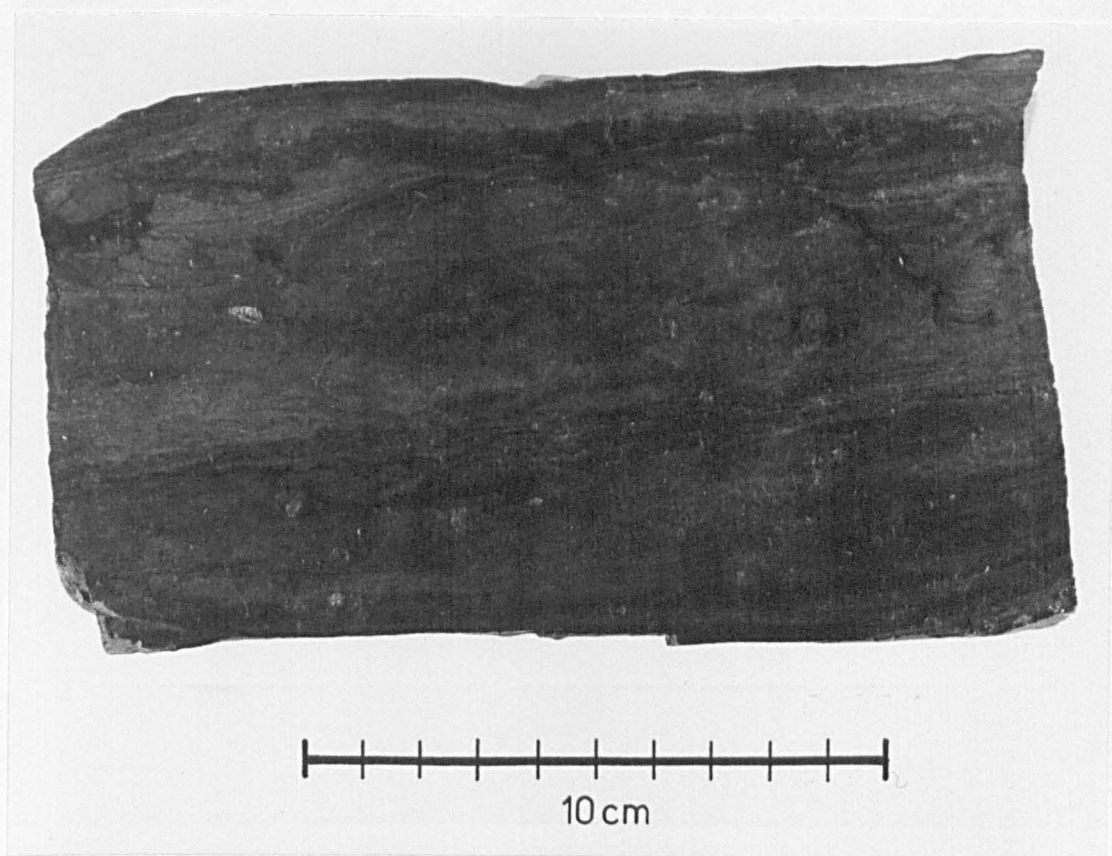


Plate 54. Pelecypodichnus, closely spaced with a good preferred orientation. Base of Ripple-laminated Sandstone. Chapel Station Quarry (SK 0559 7931).

Plate 55. Pelecypodichnus, endichnial trace, showing V shaped lamination passing down into a structureless plug.

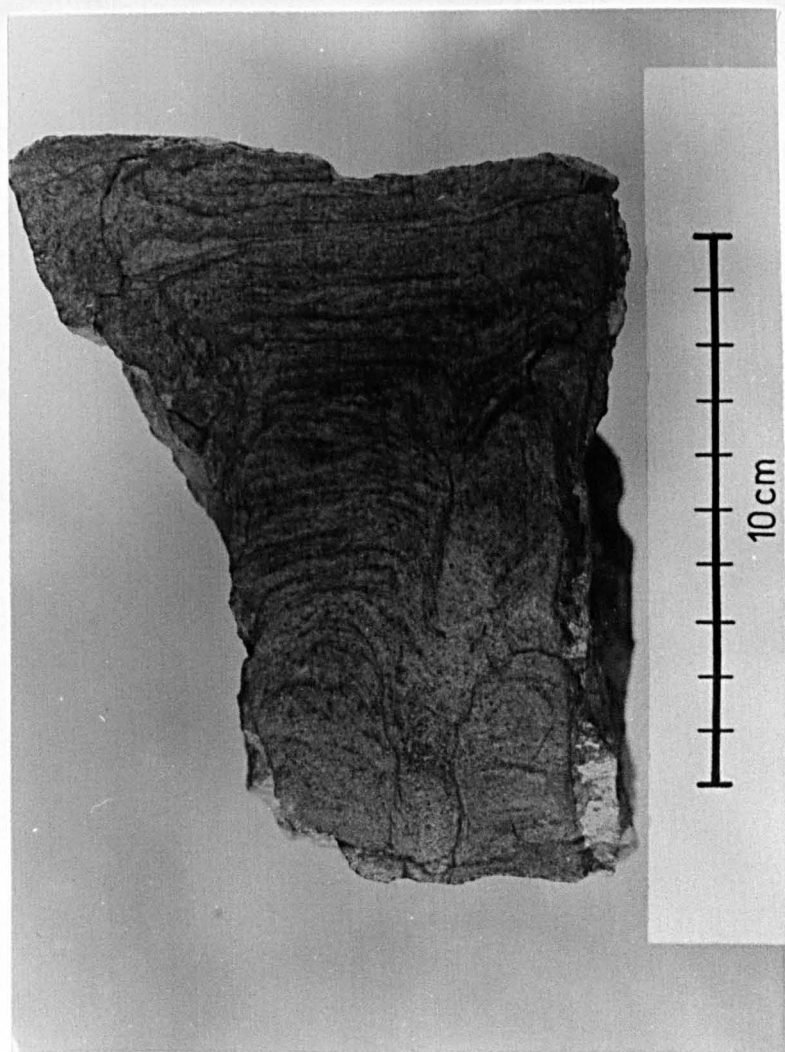
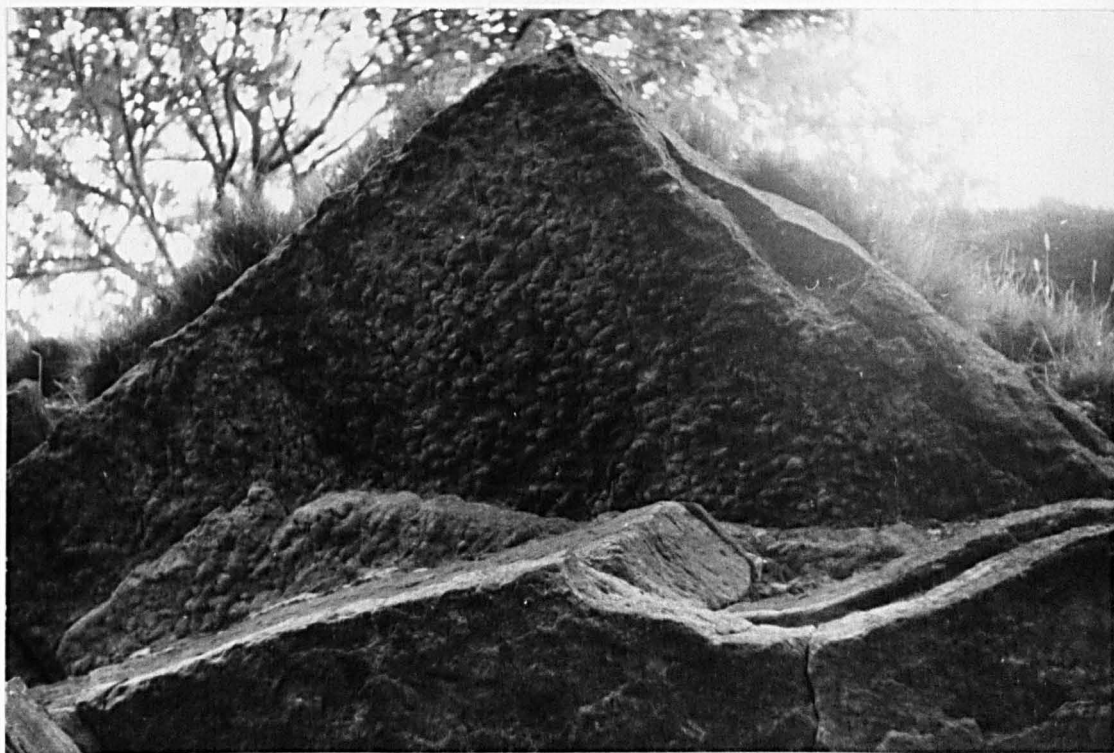


Plate 56. Bergaueria and Cochlichnus, hypichnial traces,
Association B. Dane Bridge (SJ 9661 6521).

Plate 57. Cigar shaped Ridge and Small Simple Pipes.
Hypichnial traces on the base of LF Turbidites.
Association A, Burbage Reservoir (SK 0346 7216).

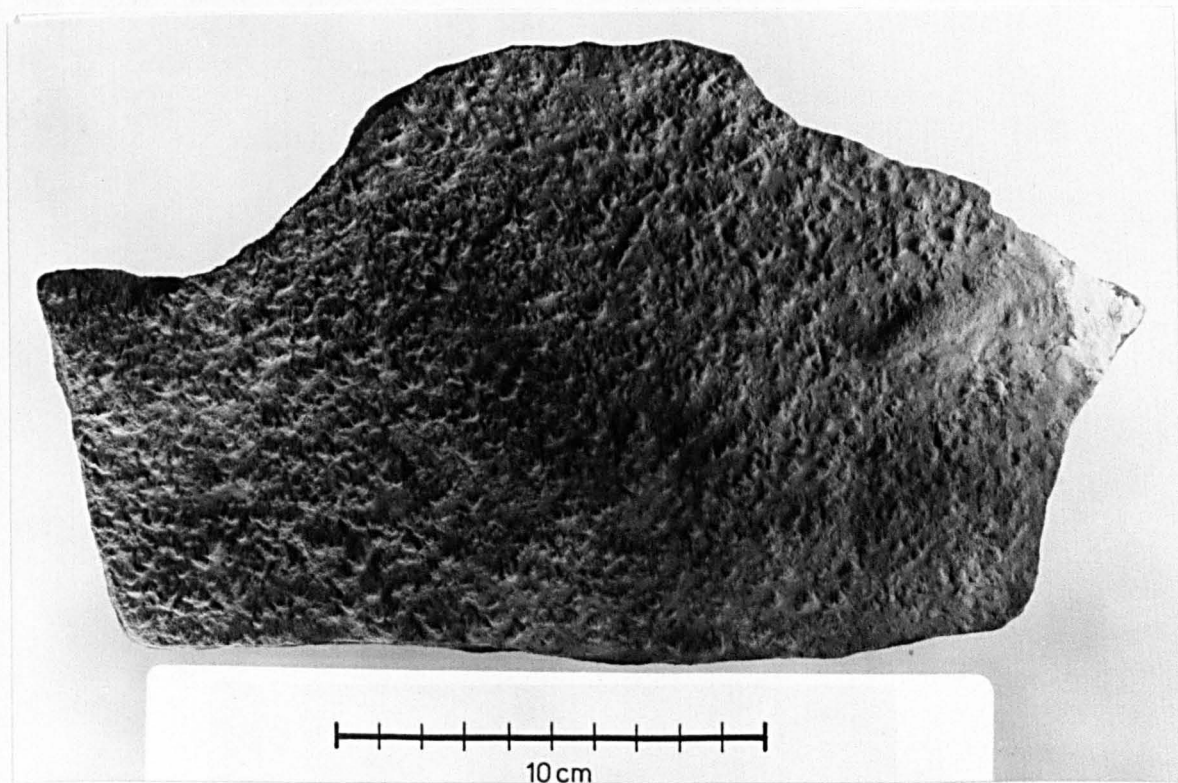
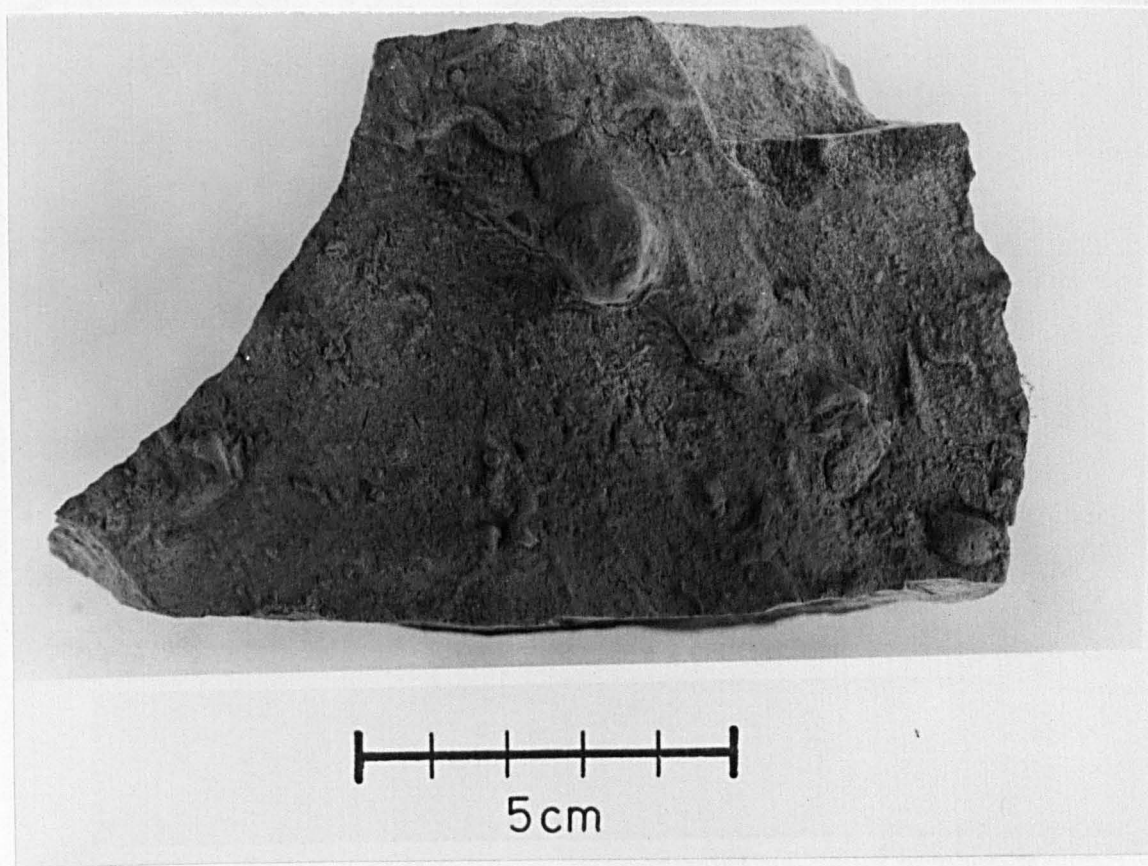


Plate 58. Cochlichnus, several trails criss-cross the area.

Association C, Upper Slope Assemblage, River Dane near
Barthomley Bottoms, (SJ 9686 6606).

Plate 59. Close up of a curved Discontinuous Sole Trail,

Association A.

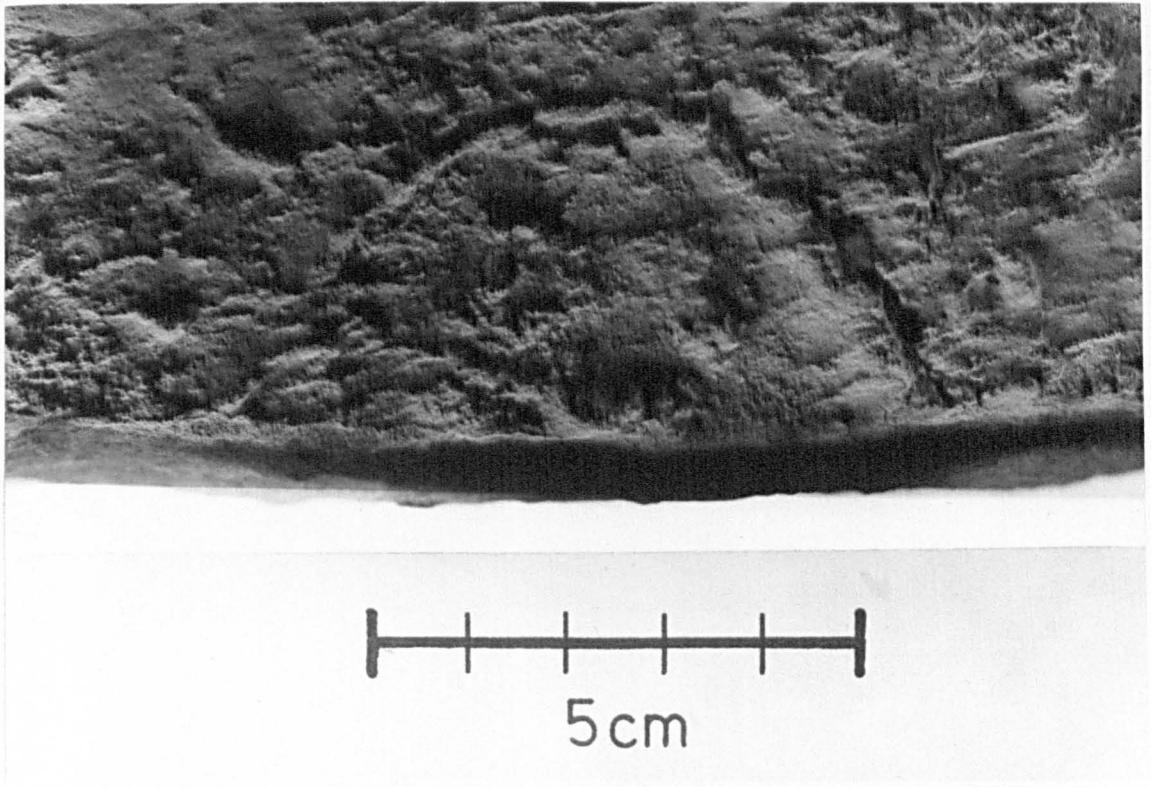
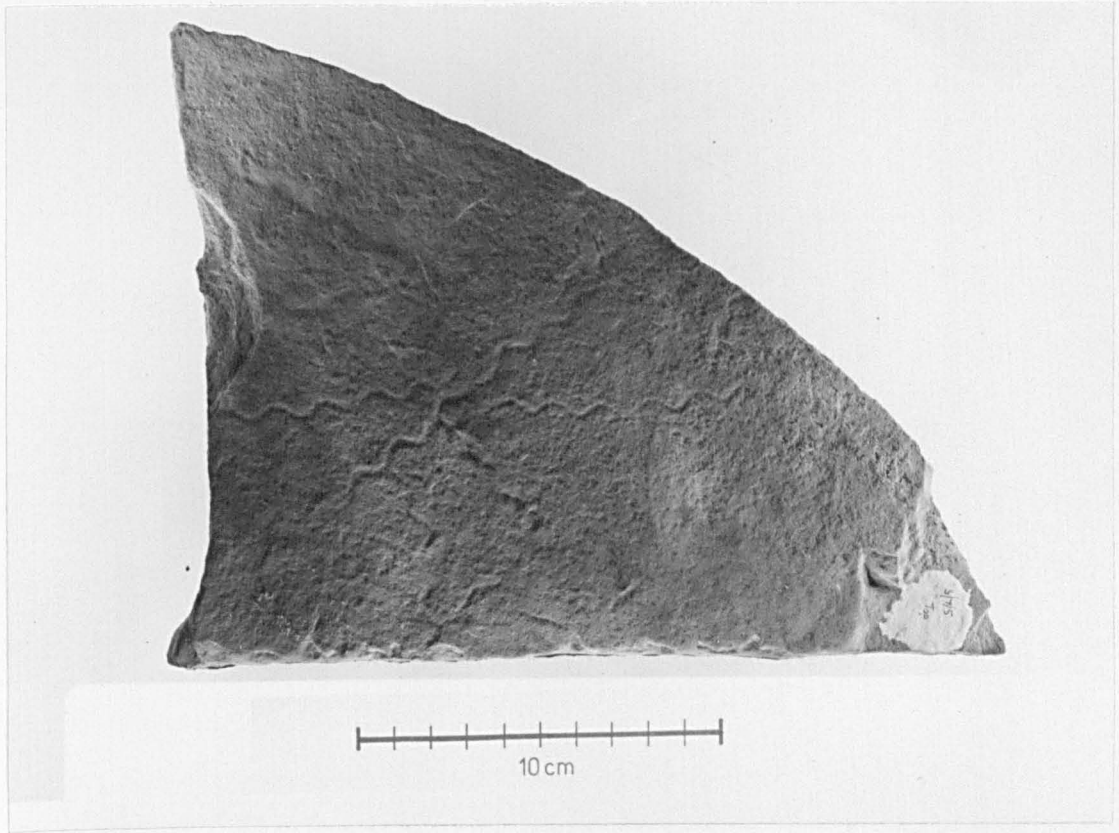


Plate 60. Cochlichnus within the parallel-laminated division of a turbidite sandstone. Quarry near Bridgehouse Farm, (SK 0363 7200).

Plate 61. Large pipe shaped trace fossil on the base of a bed of LF 7 Ripple-laminated Sandstone. Association B, stream section above Upper Hulme (SJ 0125 6129)

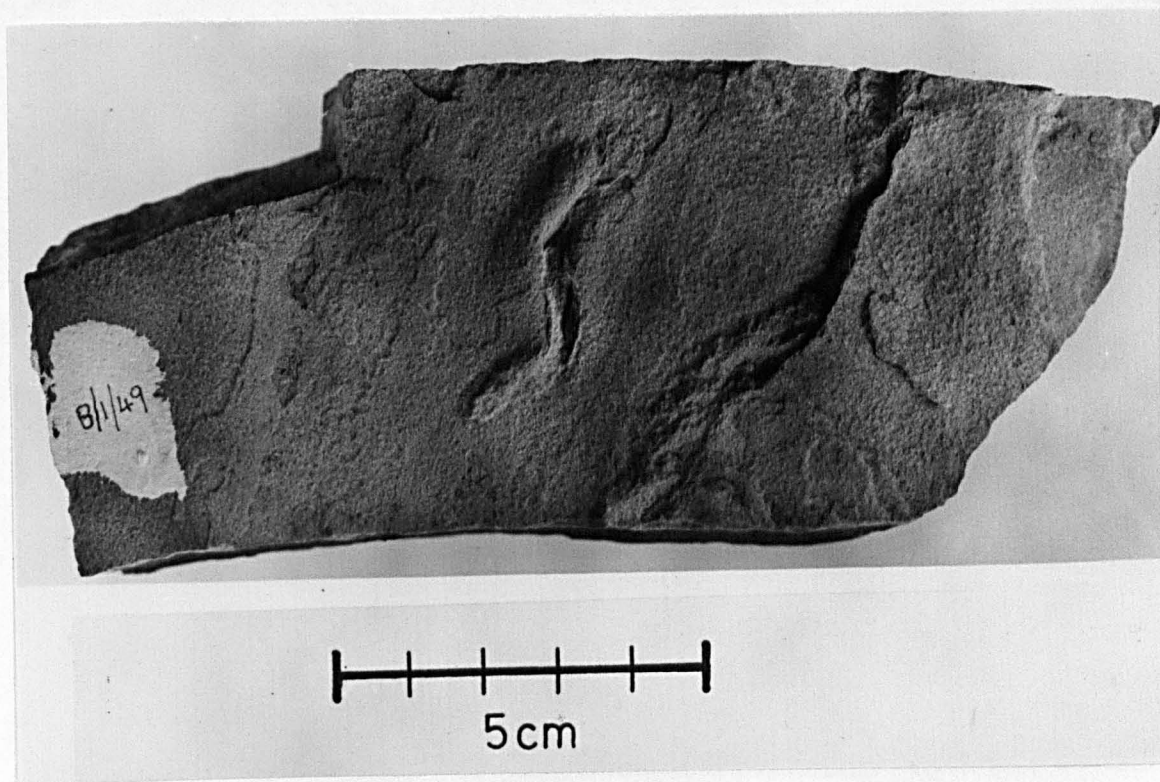
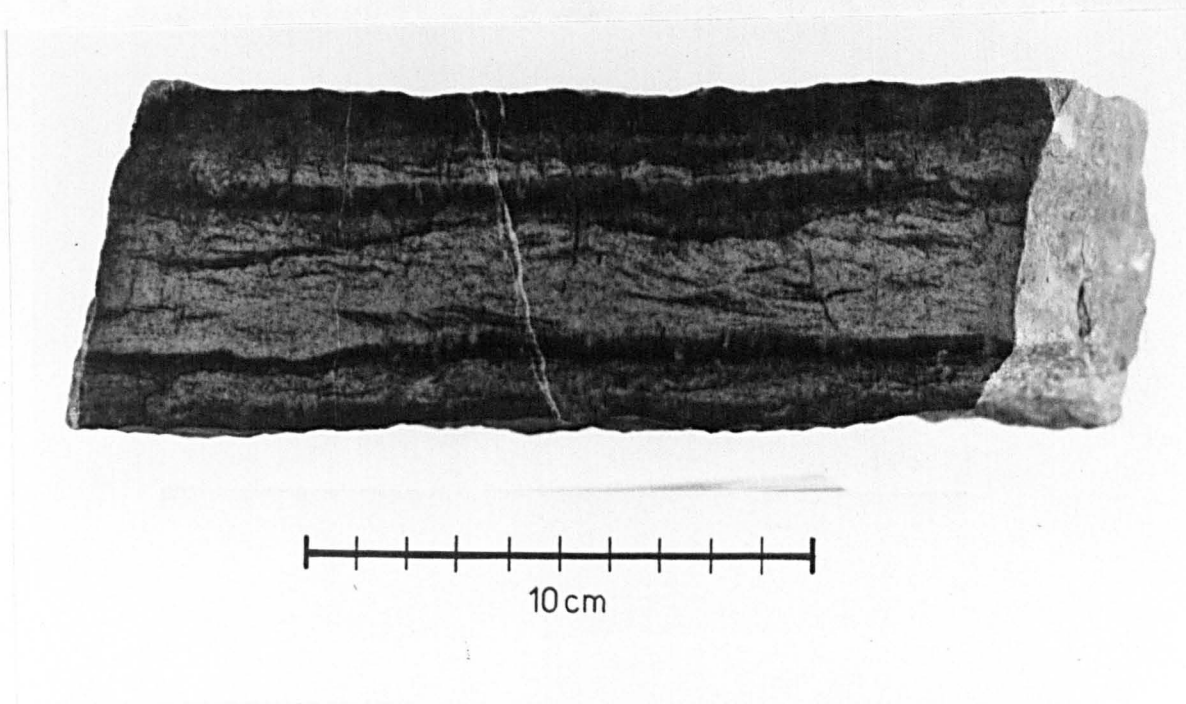


Plate 62. Rounded sole trail, base of a bed of LF 4 Turbidite.
Stream section near Burbage Reservoir (SK 0346 7216).

Plate 63. Simple Vertical Pipes with LF 7. Ripple-laminated
Sandstone. Note the slight downturning of the
lamination Association B, Bosley.



SECTION III Plates

Plate 64. Lithofacies 1, Tabular Cross-bedding, Rhondda Beds.
Old quarry above Cymmer, (ST 0199 9096).

Plate 65. LF 2, Trough Cross-bedding, section in YZ plane
showing large intersecting troughs. Hammer, bottom
left, gives scale. Rhondda Beds.
Old quarry above Cymmer (ST 0198 9085)



Plate 66. Lithofacies 2. Trough Cross-bedding. View in XY plane at the coset shown in Plate 65.

Plate 67. Coset of LF 2 Trough Cross-bedding, showing the typical appearance of small sets in the XY plane. Rhondda Beds, Earlswood Roundabout. (SS 730 943)



Plate 68. Lithofacies 3. Cross-bedding with undulating erosion surfaces. Section in the XY plane showing the flat erosion surfaces and long extent of the sets. See also Fig.62a. Outcrop west of Blaenrhondda, (SS 9208 9995) Rhondda Beds.

Plate 69. LF 3, view in YZ plane of the coset shown in Plate 68. Note the shallow troughs. See also Fig. 62b.

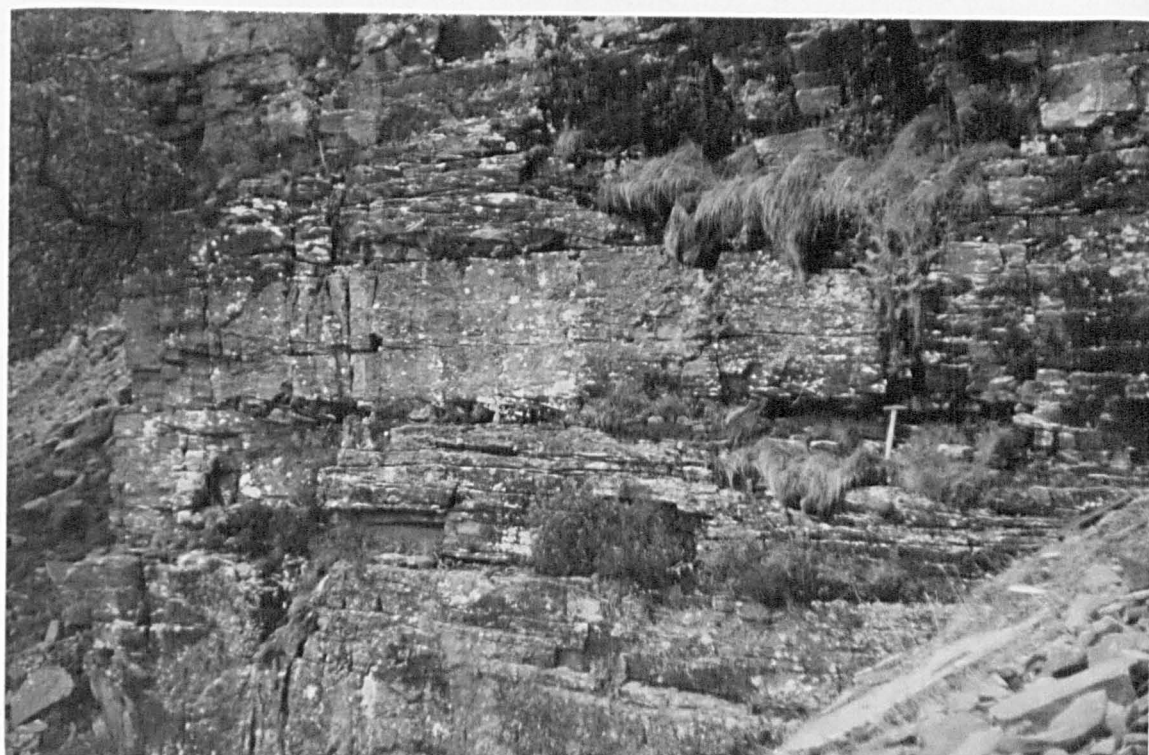


Plate 70. Lithofacies 4, Parallel-laminated Sandstone.

Shallow troughs filled with cross-laminated sandstone cut into the upper part of the bed. Roadcutting east of Blaenrhondda (SN 928 011), Rhondda Beds.

Plate 71. X-radiograph of LF 5, Structureless Sandstone showing a poor alignment of the sand grains.

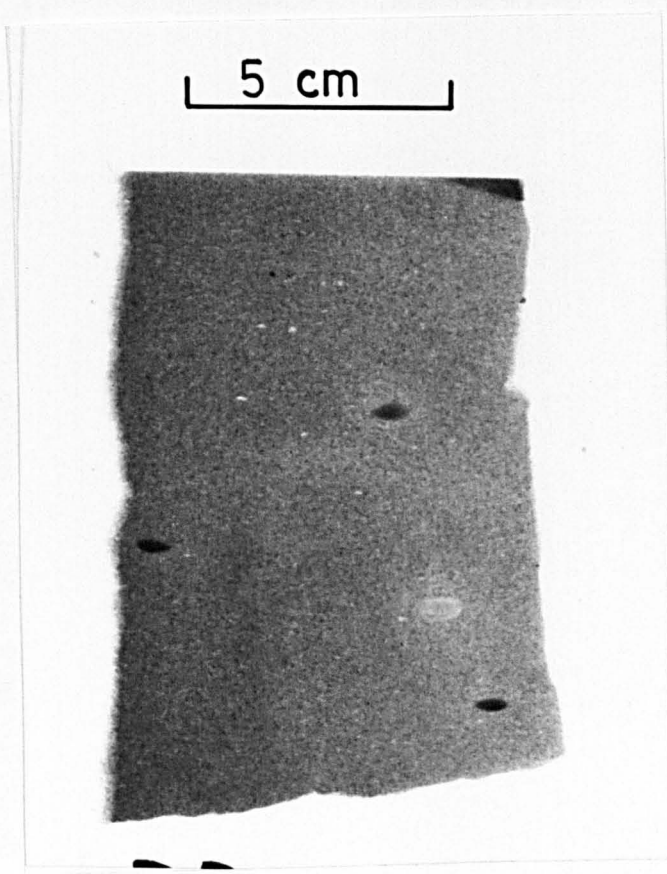


Plate 72. LF 5 Structureless Sandstone filling in a large scoured channel. Height of face about 15m. Quarry in Taff Vale (ST 078 916), Brithdir Beds.

Plate 73. LF 5 Structureless Sandstone showing an irregular, erosive base with steep sides. Old Quarry above Cymmer, (ST 0196 9085), Rhondda Beds.



Plate 74. Large log within LF 7 Conglomerate.

Taff Vale Quarry (ST 078 916), Brithdir Beds.

Plate 75. LF 7 Conglomerate showing the typical irregular bedding.

Quarry above Cymmer (ST 019 909), Rhondda Beds.



Plate 76. Conglomerate with sub-rounded pebbles of vein quartz,
ironstone and mudstone,
From just above No.2 Rhondda Coal.

Plate 77. Disturbed S shaped lamination in siltstone probably
caused by plant collapse in the underlying sediment.
Stream section north of Craig yr Hesg (SS 9232 0153).
Rhondda Beds just above No.2 Rhondda Coal.

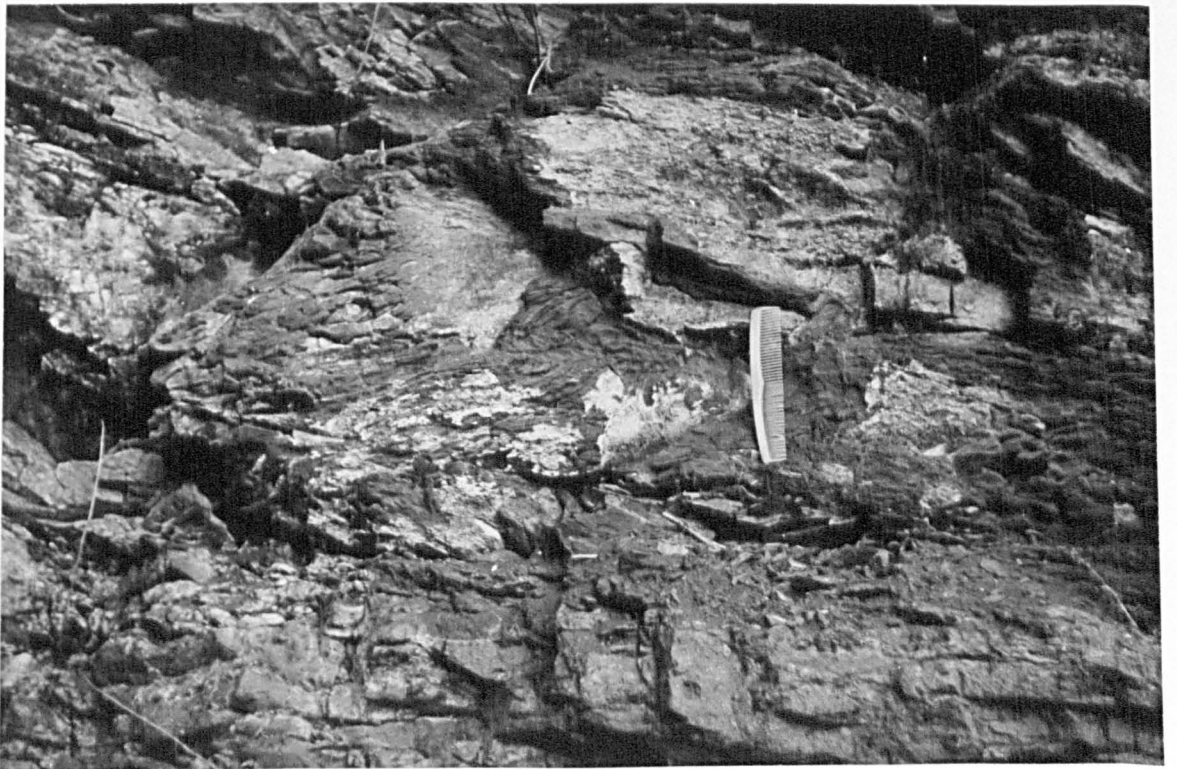
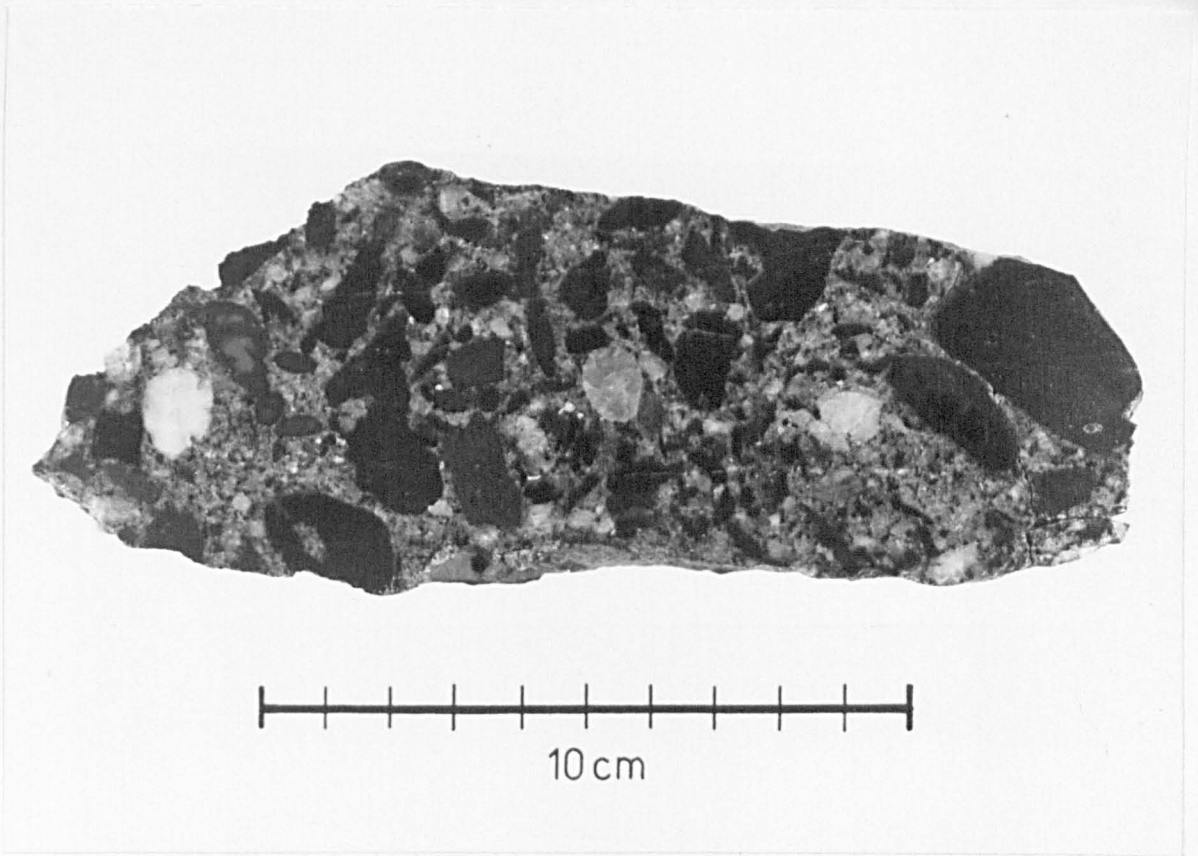


Plate 78. Seat-earth with thin coal. Earlswood Roundabout
(SS 730 743) Rhondda Beds. The coal is immediately
overlain by a channel sandstone forming the bottom
of the sandstone member in Fig. 64a.

Plate 79. LF 10 Ripple-laminated Siltstone and Fine Sandstone,
showing large ripples developed in a silt laminated
mudstone. Outcrop west of Blaenrhondda (SS 9203 9995)

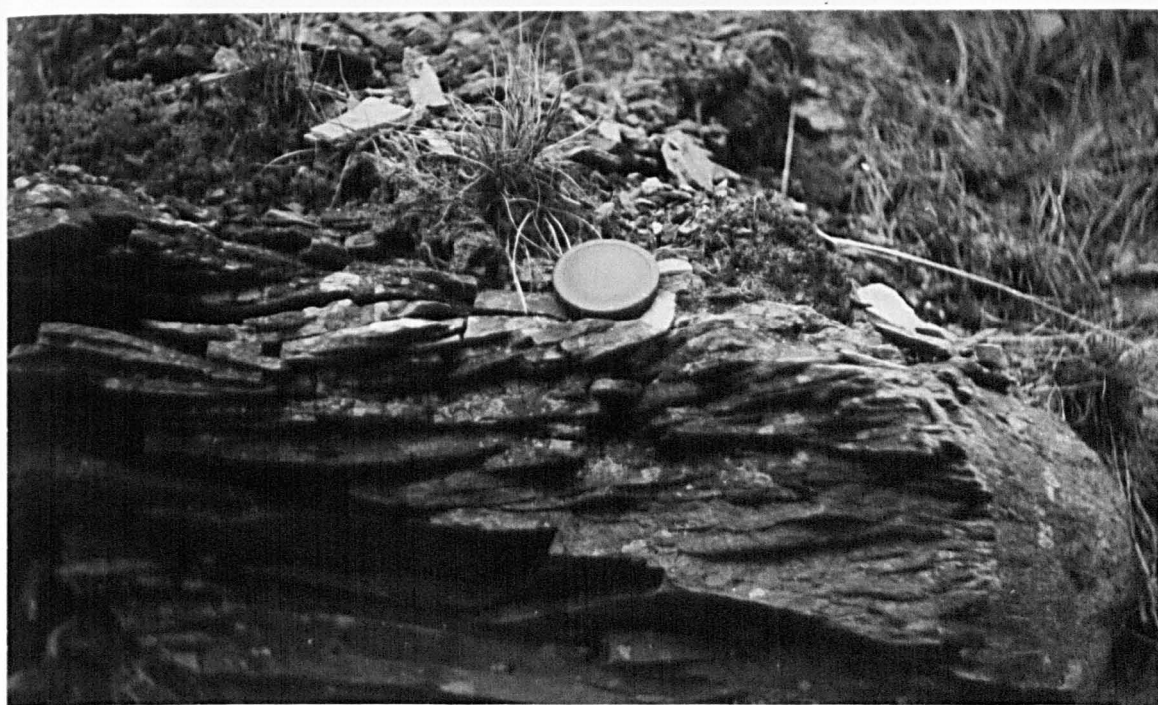


Plate 80. LF 11 Laminated Silty Sandstone.

Nant-y-Gwair, Llynfi Beds.

Plate 81. Small cycles in Association B, Llynfi Beds, Nant-y-Gwair.

Photo shows the section between the 40m and 63m levels in Section C, Fig.63. A sharp based sandstone, probably a small distributary channel occurs at the bottom. Above this is found the typical corrugated sheeting weathering pattern in LF 11. The thick sandstone at the top of the photo lies above the No.2 Rhondda Coal which is unexposed.

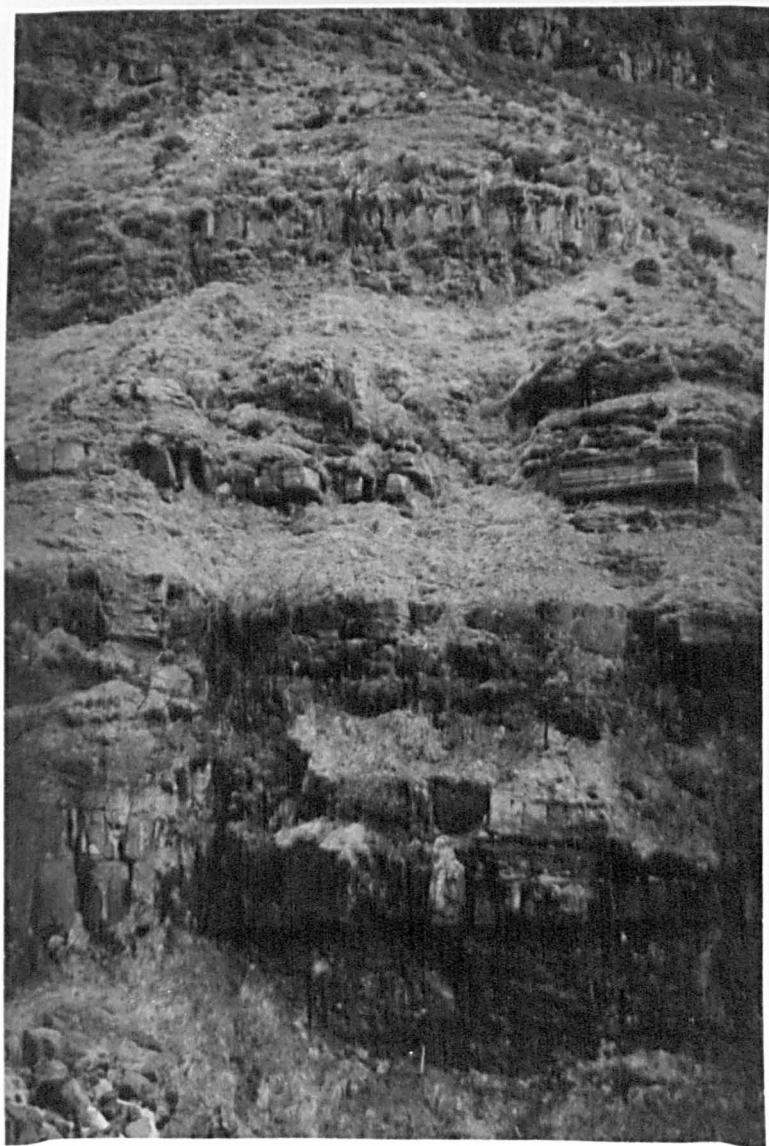
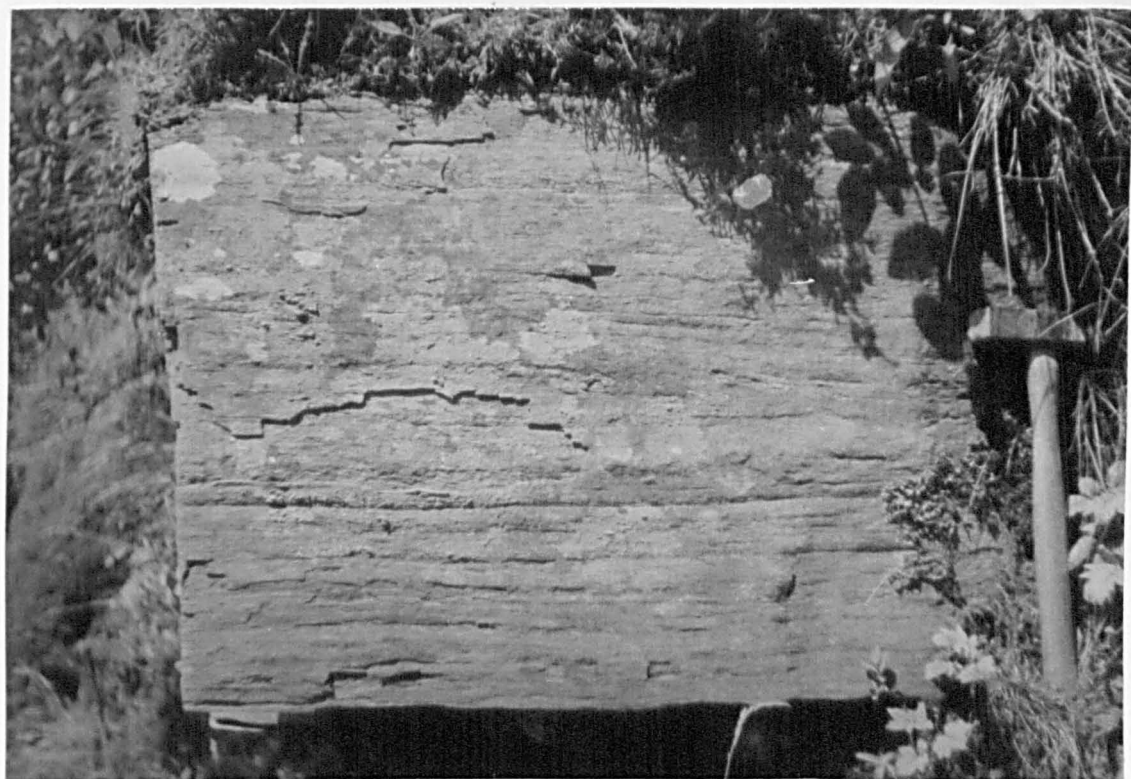


Plate 82. Three erosion surfaces within a thick sandstone.

For detailed explanation see text.

Association A, Brithdir Beds, Taff Vale Quarry.

(ST 078 916)

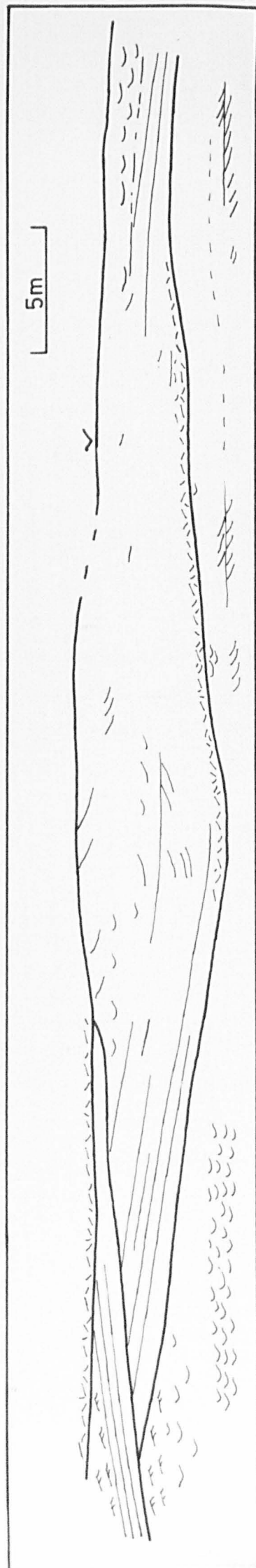
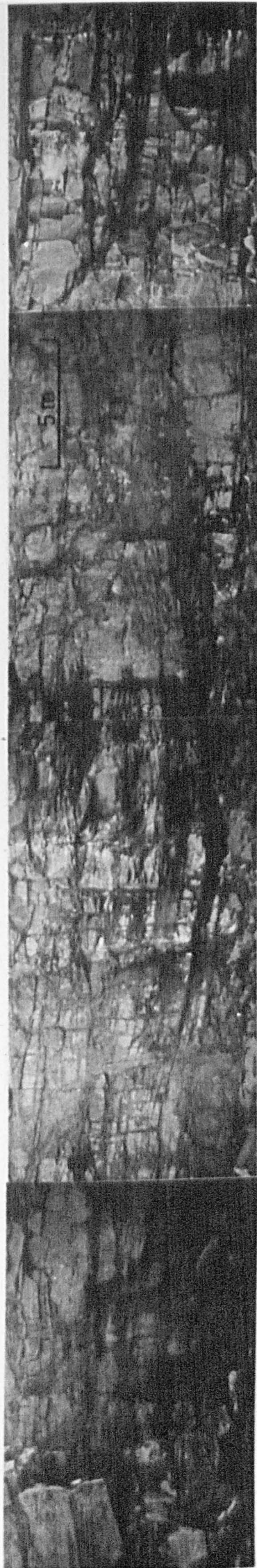


Plate 83. Flat channel base overlying a Siltstone. About 60 m is visible on the photograph. Association A, Rhondda Beds. Roadcutting east of Blaenrhondda (SN 9304 0095)

Plate 84. Dune profile in LF 1 preserved by a Siltstone drape. Lower part of a fluvial channel fill sequence above the No.2 Rhondda Coal. Stream section north of Craig-yr-Hesg, (SS 9229 0153). Rhondda Beds.

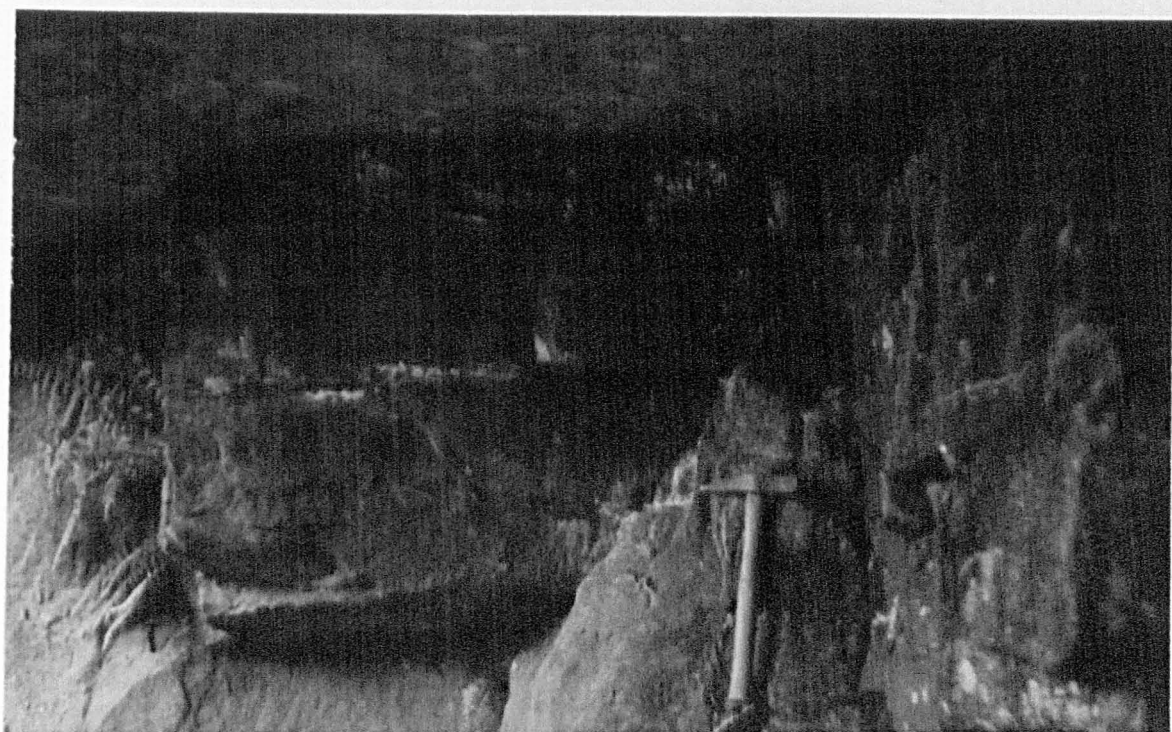


Plate 85. Trough in LF 1 filled with Siltstone.

Upper part of the channel sequence shown in Section A
of Fig.64.

Roadcutting east of Blaenrhondda (SN 9310 0056).

Rhondda Beds.

Plate 86. Upper part of the channel fill sequence shown in
Section A, Fig.64 showing an alternation of LF 1 Trough
Cross-bedding and LF 5 Ripple-laminated Sandstone with
LF 8 Laminated Siltstone. Locality as Plate 85.

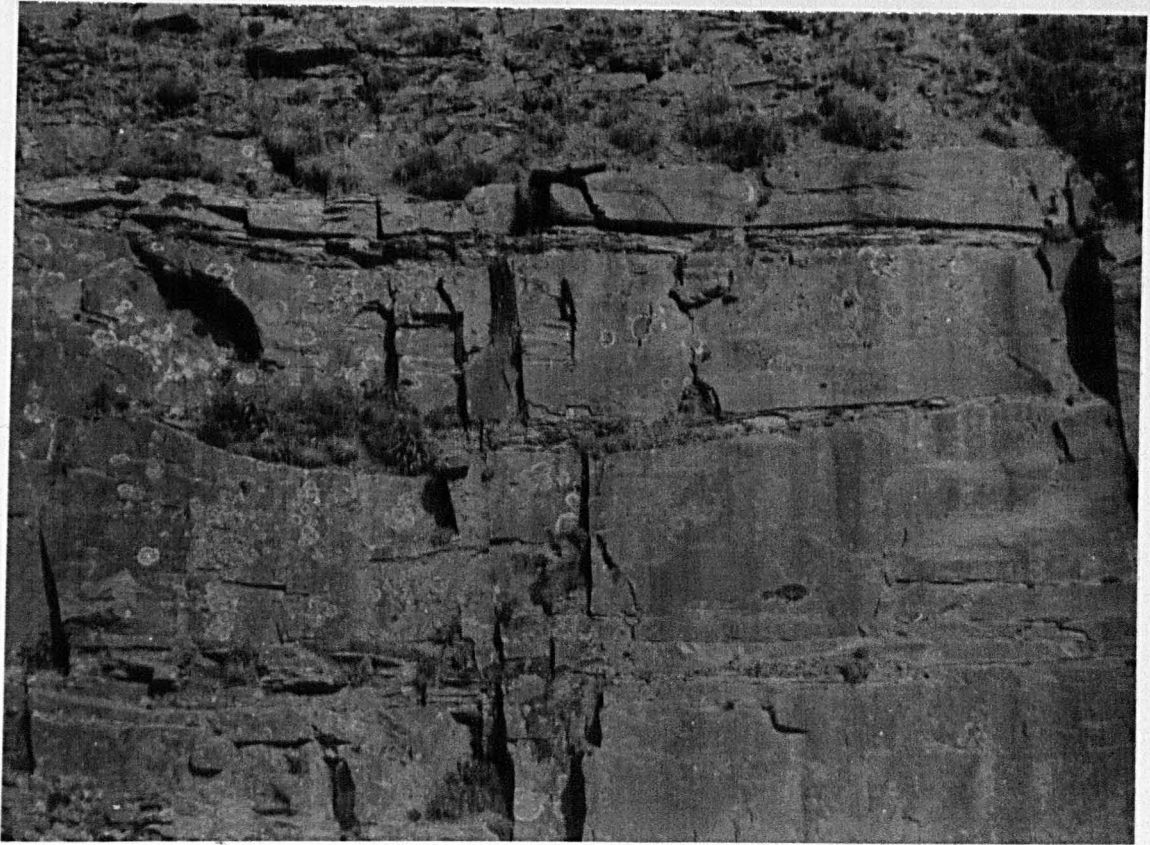
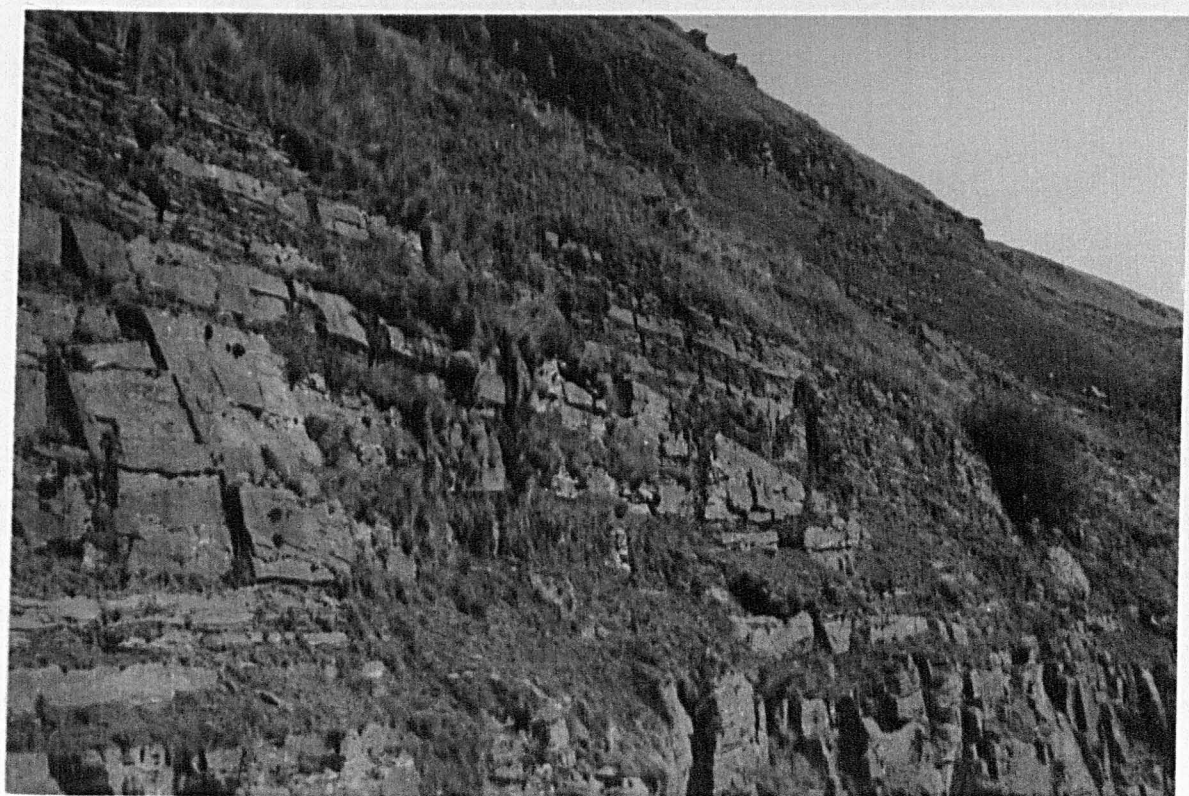
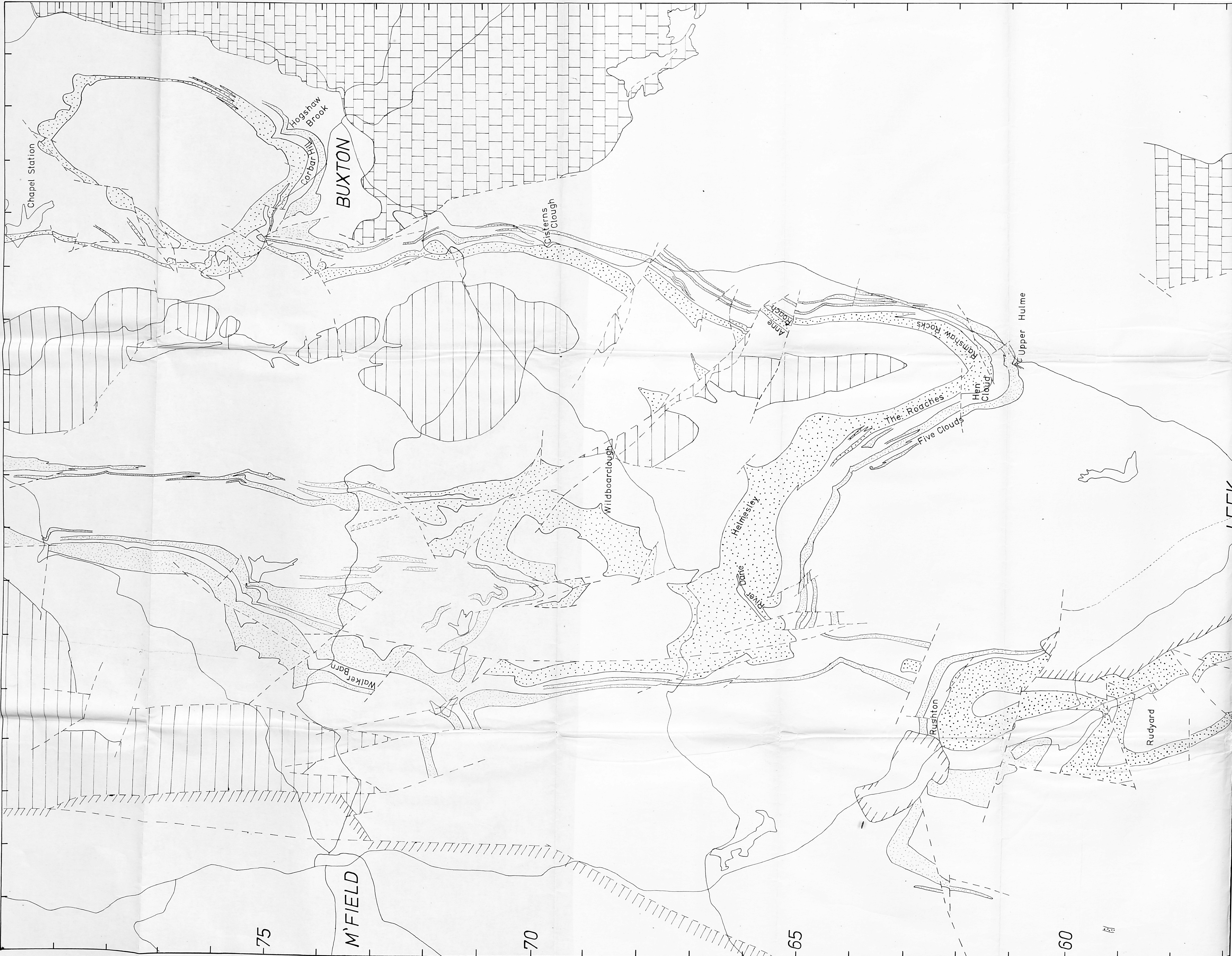


Plate 87. Top part of the channel fill sequence shown in Fig.64, A, showing a thinning upwards sequence with alternation of LF 5 and LF 8. Locality as Plate 85.

Plate 88. The same sequence as shown in Plate 87.

To the right, part is cut out by a channel largely filled with Siltstone. Locality as Plate 85.





Chapel Station

Hogshaw Brook

Corbar

BUXTON

Gisterns Clough

Wildboarclough

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Hen Cloud

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Upper Hulme

Walker Barn

Rushton

Rudyard

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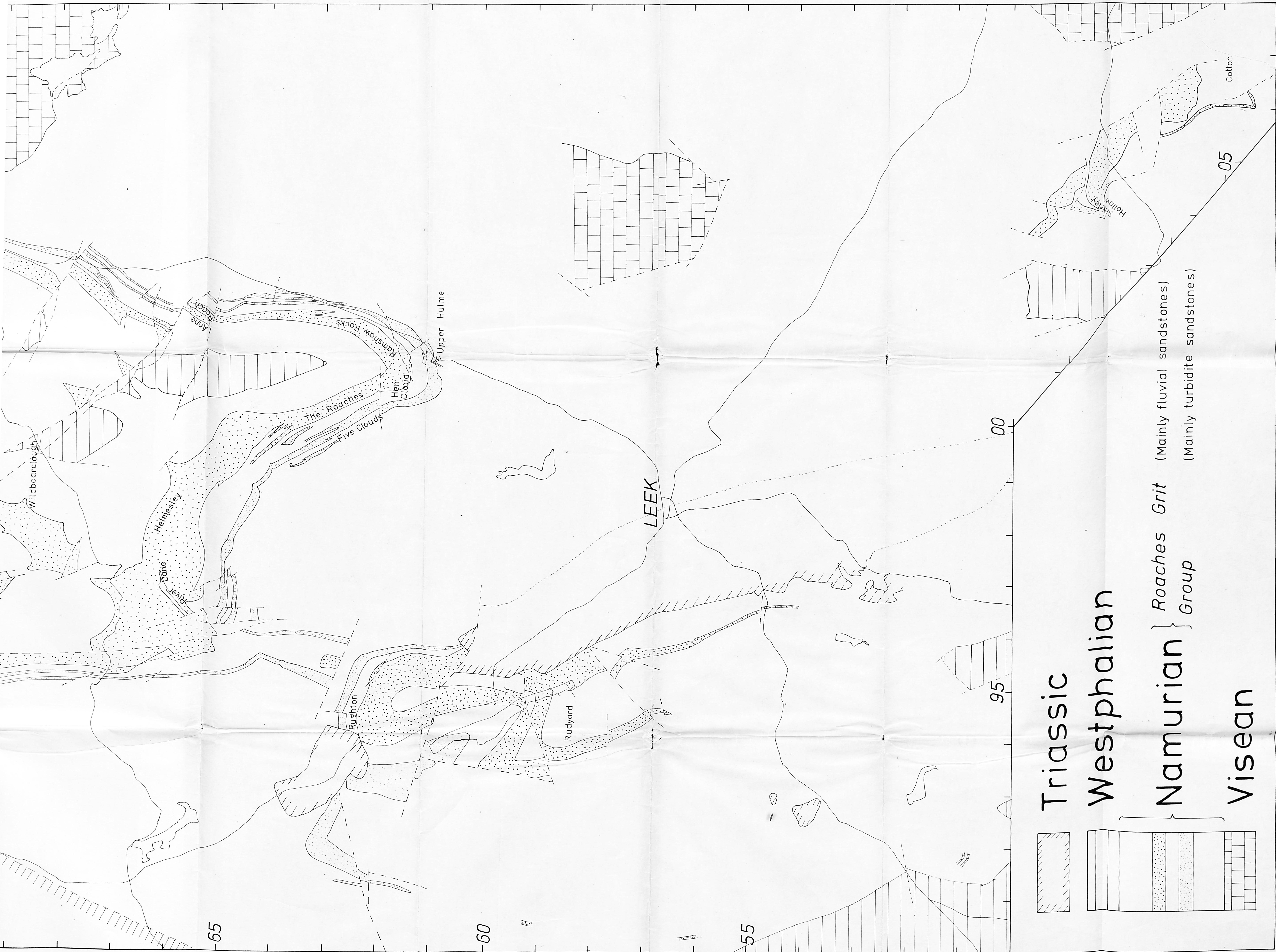
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(Mainly fluvial sandstones)
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