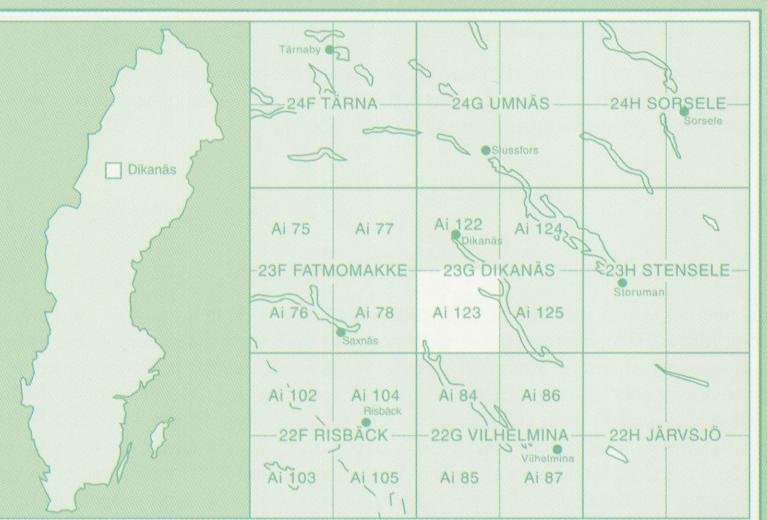


Berggrundskartan

23G Dikanäs SV

Bedrock map

Skala 1:50 000



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KORTFATTAD BESKRIVNING

Kartbladet 23G Dikanäs (Ai 122-123) visar ett område som består av både urberg och fjällberggrund. En översikt över de strukturella enheterna inom kartbladet lämnas i handlagrampart nedanför teckningslängan. Berggrundens inom de två västliga bladen tillhör helt den kaledoniska fjälldelen, medan de båda östliga bladen även innehåller en zon av urbergsgarter öster om fjälldelen. Dessa är av äldgproterozoisk ålder (2500–1600 miljoner år), medan fjälldelens bergarter och den tunna, underlagrande zonen av deformerade sedimentbergarter (se profilen) avvärts för ca 700–450 miljoner år sedan. Fjällberggrundens deformation, metamorfos och framskjutning mot öster och sydost, ut över urbergundersidan, ägde rum under kaledonisk tid och avslutades för ca 400 miljoner år sedan. Kartbladet 23G SV består således uteslutande av fjällberggrund.

FJÄLLBERGRUNDEN

Berggrundens inom den kaledoniska fjälldelen är resultatet av en bergskedjebildning för ca 520–400 miljoner år sedan, iapetus, det har som i senproterozisk tid gränsade till kontinenten Baltica, började att minska i bredd. Huvudtessenskrona sjön ner i subkontinenzoner, och kontinenten Baltica, Laurentia (Norra Amerika) och Grönland slogs ihop i en förenande landmassa. Den äldgproterozoiska tiden präglades av granitintrusioner. Genom ständiga överskjutningar kom bland annat förlängande komplex att skiljas upp från den fennoskandiska urbergsskildan. Vars västra randzonen samtidigt kraftigt deformeras. Södra överskjutna enheter benämnes skiljor och kan ha transporerats flera hundra kilometer åt öster och sydost. De övriga skiljorna har i regel längsta transportvägen, medan de undre enheterna är mer lokala och ofta innehåller bergarter, som med stor sannolikhet tillhör det fennoskandiska urbergundersidan.

Ur topografisk synpunkt är den nuvarande fjälldelen betydligt yngre och i huvudsak relativt till den terrena upprinnelsen för ca 65 miljoner år sedan, som ledde till bildandet av den nuvarande Atlanteren.

Tektonisk Indelning

Fjällberggrundens, som i regel vilar på en tunn zon av röfta (autokonta), sedimentära bergarter (se profilen), uppbyggs intern i ett stort antal tektoniskt överskjutna (allotokonta) enheter. Dessa kan indelas i den mellersta, övre och översta skollberggrundens. Den senare är ej representerad inom de nu aktuella kartbladet.

De mellersta och öppsta enheterna representeras av den undre skollberggrundens Bläckskalet, vilken domineras i bladets västra del (Njakaftiddupen och den överlägande Kyrkspädalen). Den undre skollberggrundens återkommer även i öster, längst i nordöst som del av den s.k. Vojmsjöduplexen. Genom bladets centrala del i ett synformat strök med nordöstlig riktning, löper mellersta skollberggrundens Stalonkullen. Sevelskullen, som har sin största utbredning på NV-bladet, representeras endast av en litligare med glimmerskiffrar i trakterna av Mörösölden (4a).

Bergarternas Ålder

Utlänna präraffade fossili samt genombrottsläggningar och jämförelser med angränsande områden kan bestämma eller uppskatta bergartens ålder.

I den undre skollberggrundens, som ibland innehåller medriva rester av urbergundersidan, domineras senproterozoiska arkoser, senproterozoiska-underkambrika kvartsiter, kambiska (-underordoviciska) arkosiffrar samt, i mycket underordnad mängd, ordoviciska skiffrar och gråsvackor. Bestämbana fossila saksätts inom kartbladet.

Den mellersta skollberggrundens ändrar huvudsakligen till arkos och fallstensbergarter, som ibland innehåller medriva rester av urbergundersidan. Den senare har genom U/P-bestämning på zirkoner daterats till 1798±1 miljoner år.

Sevelskullen glimmerskiffrar bildades troligen ur senproterozoiska sandstenar och skiffrar, på angränsande kartblad i regel med instieg av amfibolt, representerande mafiska magnabergarter, som trängde upp ifrån havets öppnande.

Metamorfos

I samband med bergskedjeveckningen och överskjutningarna utsätts bergarterna för ökat tryck och förhöjd temperatur, vilket leder till att de omvandlas genom den process som kallas metamorfos (omkristallisation och mineralbytning). Den undre skollberggrundens karakteriseras av ringa eller låg metamorfos (anchi-zon), vilken bäst kan mäts genom graden av lemmarititet (lit och klorit). Mellersta skollberggrundens föreligger i grönskifferzonen (delvis låg amfibolitfaz) men har i regel utstått för retrograd metamorfos, relativt till överskjutningarna. Sevelbergarten uppvärs högre metamorfos och har i allmänhet nätt amfibolitfaz.

Bergarter

Beroende på utgångsmaterial och som följd av variationer i deformation och metamorfos föreligger inom kartbladet följande huvudbergarter:

Akros, som dominarerar den pretilitiska lagröfjorden i den undre skollberggrundens har huvudsakligen karaktärsist av fältspatika, relativ grova, delvis konglomeratiska sandstenar. Innehåller av kalfästspat och hemimikt ger vissa av dem en rödaktig färgton, men även grå- eller mörkare varianter än vanligt förekommande. Ljusare, kvartsitisk led ingår också. I ältere tid används beteckningen "sparagmit" för dessa senproterozoiska bergarter.

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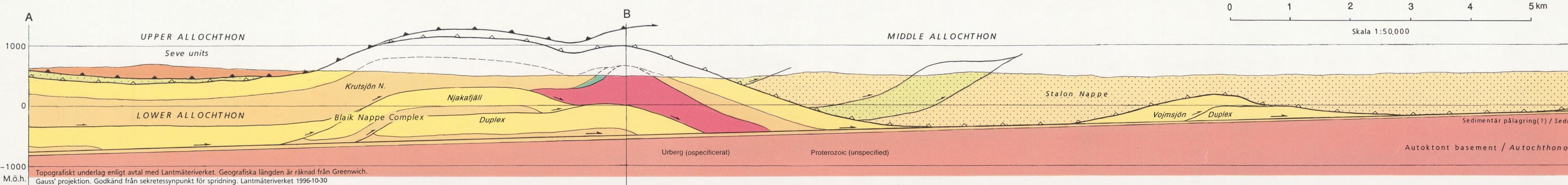
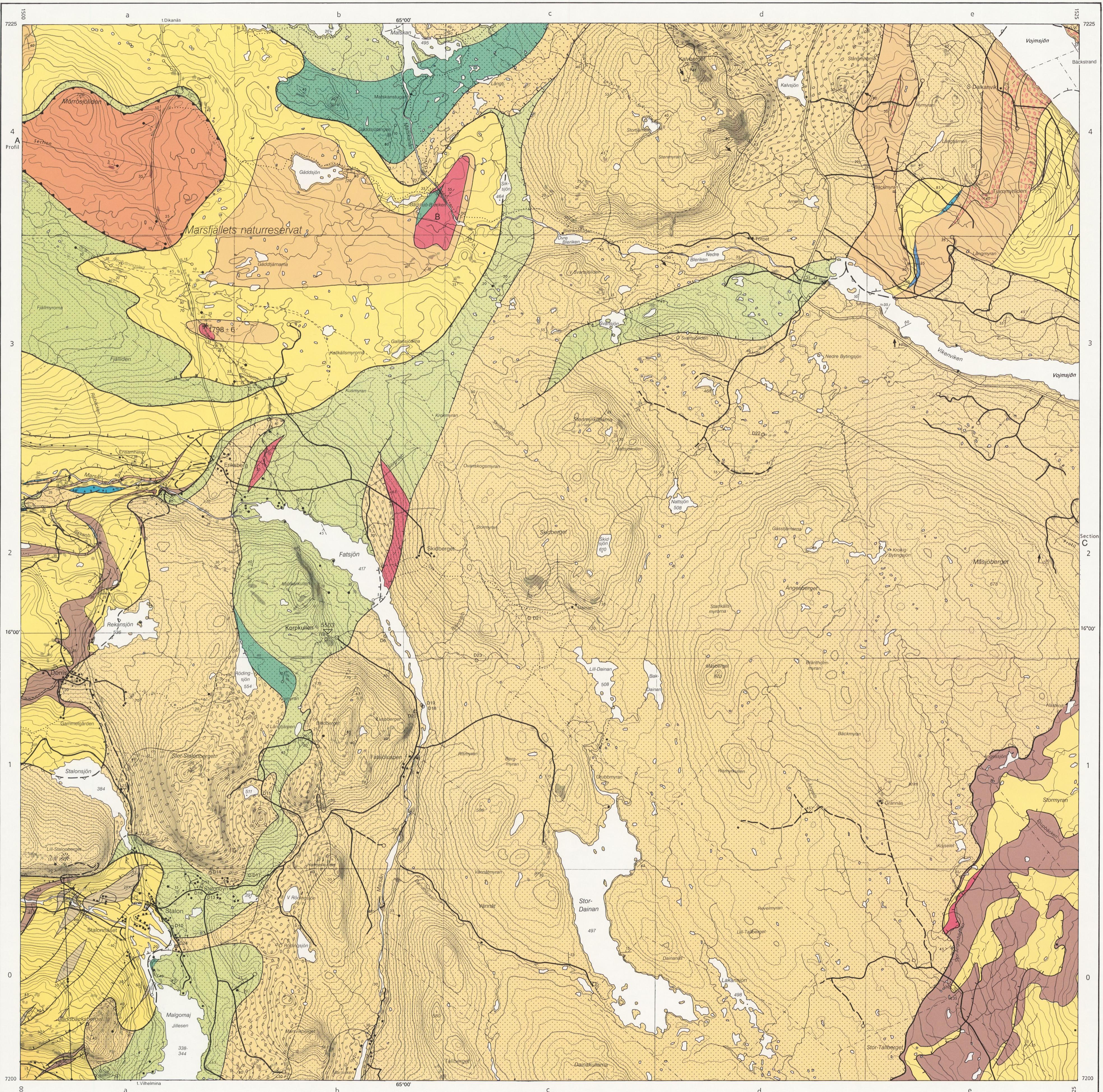
MALMER, INDUSTRIELLA MINERAL OCH BERGARTER

SGU för ett register över malmer och mineraliseringar, vilka i fjälldelen har beteckningen ORED, i urberget ORED, och över förekomster av industriella mineraler och bergarter med beteckningen ORED. Inom kartområdet saknas intressanta malm- och mineralupptäckningar.

1993 påbörjades Lapplands Naturens undersökningar av Stalonkullens gröna myloniter för möjlig användning till sågade och polerade skivor, främst för fasadbeklädnad. De största insatserna har skett vid Korpukullen (ORED 5503, ruta 20), där 7 st kärnborrhål och provbrötföring (genom diamantshåring) utfördes.

Spångmaterial från Stalonutonens har använts för vägar och annan byggnation. Främst under 1980-talet utförde Vattenfall undersökningar inom det s.k. Fatsjöprojekten för en eventuell vattenförvärme från Vojmsjön (Vikenvikin, ca 410 m.o.h.) till nordligaste spetsen av Malgomaj (340 m.o.h.) med en planetar kraftverk vid Fatsjön. Geofysiska markmätningar och ett färflat diamanthårbol utfördes. 16 av borrhålen finns inlagda på den geologiska kartan. Det maximala djupet uppgår till 150 m.

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Tillit är beteckningen på en förstörred morän i den senproterozoiska lagerföljden. Dessa förekomst indikerar en tillid för ca 600 miljoner år sedan. Värvskliffer, som kan upphöra i anslutning till tilliterna, representerar en glaciärlära, ofta med identifiterbara döppstränder, som lossnat från smältande isberg.

Kvartsit utgör huvuddelen av den post-tillitiska lagerföljen i den undre skollberggrunden. Den är dock mycket ren (>98% kvarts) men i regel något fältspatförande. Till skillnad från arkoser (se ovan) utgörs dock fältspater nästan enbart av plagioklas, som vid vittring ofta ger vita fläckar. I vissa horisonter, främst i den undre delen, är kvartsit grövre, ibland konglomeratisk.

Aunkliffer är en lerskiffer med hög halt av organiskt material (bitumen), vilket gör den svart och soltade. Den har i regel också ett relativt högt innehåll av mineraler men är dock den övre delen, förhöjd halter av visuellt mörkare säsksilikatmineraler som alumin och bränbar kolatveteöreder (aluminogener). Sitt namn har den fått av den tidigare mytologen för framställning av åtan, som används vid färjning och iron präppor, läder- och liknandeindustri.

Metakristallit betecknar en litig omvälvande, fältspatsrik sandsten som dominerar inom Stålon-Kalif. På grund av metamorfos har de från början rödaktiga sedimenterna anslaget en grönaktig färgton. Ljusa, mera kvartsitiska led och konglomeratiska inläggningar ingår. I äldre tid använde man beteckningen 'sparragrit' även för dessa senproterozoiska bortger.

Mylonit är inom klastpladerna hård, flinlig, tåtbändad bergart, som bildats genom nedkrossning och rekristallisering i upprättrade rörelseszoner. De grönkiffrade myloniterna inom Stålon-Kalif domineras av kvarts, något fältspat, glimmar (biotit och muskovit) samt granat.

DESCRIPTION

General geology

The bedrock within the map sheet 23G Dikanäs SV (A123) forms part of the Scandinavian Caledonides. Most Caledonian rocks in Scandinavia are of sedimentary origin and have been divided into a least one-wayward sequence of Fennoscandian platform units of a thin-thick-thin sequence of Late Proterozoic-Cambrian sedimentary units. Regionally, the Caledonides are divided in ascending tectonostratigraphic order into the Lower, Middle, Upper (Seve and Käll Nappes) and Uppermost Allochthon (Kulling 1972, Gee et al. 1985). The lowermost units, up to and including the Seve units, are interpreted as parts of the imbricated and shortened margin of Fennoscandia. Within the area, the Lower and Middle Allochthon are dominated by clastic cover sequences derived from the continent Baltic, but also contain slices of Proterozoic basement.

All units have a complex tectonic and metamorphic history. After the Nappes units were probably formed by the Silurian-Early Ordovician events which produced large-scale and highly-grade metamorphic mineral assemblages. Deformation and metamorphism continued, and the various complexes were successively brought together along a suture zone formed during collision of the continents Baltica and Laurentia. After nappage emplacement onto the Fennoscandian platform and development of the Lower Allochthon in the Silurian-Early Devonian, the Caledonian activity faded out.

Tectonostratigraphic units

The geological units distinguished on the map are principally lithological or lithostratigraphic in character. Tectonic units are separated by major and minor thrusts, as demonstrated by the main map, the cross-section and the structural inset map. Three major allochthons occur within the present map sheet, described in ascending order below. The autochthonous basement and the thin, autochthonous, sedimentary cover are only shown as undifferentiated units in the cross-section. For additional information, reference is made to the map sheet adjacent to the east (23G SO).

LOWER ALLOCHTHON

The Lower Allochthon is built up of structural slices or horizons, mostly composed of sedimentary (cover) sequences and minor parts of underlying, crystalline rocks, derived from the basement.

Crystalline, basement-derived rocks are invariably represented by coarse-grained granites or syenites, which are comparable with the Revsund granite, exposed in the autochthonous basement (Greiling 1982). This sequence has been confirmed by radiometric dating results at 1798 ± 6 Ma (U/Pb on K-feldspar) and is regarded as the Revsund-Persson granite, a member of the Käll Nappes (3a). These rocks are characterized by a porphyritic texture of coarsely microcline phenocrysts in a mm-size groundmass of plagioclase, orthoclase and quartz, with some primary biotite. Although the primary texture is mostly well-preserved, quartz shows undulatory extinction and some grains are broken or bent. Also some feldspar grains show traces of brittle deformation. Mafic, crystalline rocks are restricted to one occurrence of medium-grained amphibolite, enclosed within granitoid rocks at Matskanän (4b).

The sedimentary succession of the Lower Allochthon is correlated with the Jämtland Supergroup in the type area further south (Gee et al. 1974, 1978, Kumpulainen 1982). The Röbäck Group (with arkose units and the Kalvberget Formation), the Sjöputarna Group (with Långmarkberg and Gårdjön Formations) and the Täsjön Group (with Fjällbråna and Norraker Formations) are represented in the map sheet. The thickness of the sedimentary rocks is, in general, lower than in the type area.

The Njakafljället area, a zone of tectonic shear zones, continues into the type area further southwest (Kumpulainen 1982, Zachrisson 1997) and broadly comparable. The sequence is from several metres to at least a few hundred metres thick. It represents the upper part of the Röbäck Group, but the correlation with the proposed stratigraphy in the type area (Kumpulainen 1982; Stor-Rajan (bottom), Tävjäset and Mångmångberget Formations) is uncertain. In the section along Mörrösjöbacken (3a), to the east of the road Stålon-Dikanäs, the sequence starts with coarse, often conglomeratic arkoses with dark to light reddish colour, directly on top of the crystalline basement rocks. In the Backstrand area (4-5, e-1, at the corner of all four 23G map sheets), Kulling (1942) discussed the red conglomerates in the upper part of the Stålon Nappe. It is worth noting that the greenish-grey Arkositen, described with a white matrix, is greyish colour belonging to the Stålon Nappe, underlain by horses of reddish Röbäck arkoses and conglomerates of the Vojmåsjö Duplex (see below), as part of the Lower Allochthon. The conglomerates of the Lower and Middle Allochthon are distinct both by their different degrees of metamorphism and their pebble contents (see Middle Allochthon, below).

Detritus of the Kalvberget Formation have been identified only as a minor layer in the north-eastern part of the present area (3a), but occur ca 1 km further west (23G NV, 5b) and more frequently in the eastern part of the section (cf. 23G SO).

West of Tjärnbyfjället (4d) and within several hours along the upper Marsän valley (2a), the reddish arkoses are overlain by tilites of the Långmarkberg Formation. The tilites vary considerably both in facies development and in thickness (up to ca 30 metres). The most comprehensive description as yet of the area's tilites is by Kulling (1942). Varved 'clays' with grain sizes up to silt and fine sand occur, probably beneath the tilites 'senus stricto'. The overlying tilites contain angular to sub-angular, up to metre-size boulders of crystalline, granitoid rocks and arkoses in a psammoclastic matrix. Locally, pelite and dolomite fragments also occur.

The Arkositen formation is composed by massive, often white to light grey-coloured quartaries, composed mainly of quartz (90%), with minor amounts of feldspar, detrital mica, clay minerals and chlorite. The grain size varies between coarse and very fine-grained; particles are well rounded in graded units, and generally more angular in poorly sorted beds. A characteristic layer of conglomeratic and coarse-grained quartary occurs near the base of the Gårdjön Formation, ca 10 metres thick. It is composed of generally well-rounded pebbles of milky or bluish quartz and white feldspar, up to 1.5 cm in diameter. Within the quartary, irregular layers of silt and mudstone and grey, green and sometimes red shale occur. These fine-grained layers are also composed of at least 90% quartz. Some layers are more than 10 cm thick and can be followed along strike. They are, as shown on the present map, typical of the Arkositen. These fine-grained quartaries show graded bedding and a general fining upwards. The last few metres beneath the overlying Fjällbråna Formation are characterized by an alternation of fine sandstones, siltstones and dark grey, impure carbonates and mafic. Recent stratigraphic work has shown that this uppermost part of the Gårdjön Formation is related to an Early Cambrian flooding event of ca 530 Ma ago (late Tommotian), Vidal and Moczydlowska 1996, Greiling et al. 1999.

The Fjällbråna Formation contains black shales and slates (slate-shale) composed of fine-grained, mainly microcrystalline, minerals and variable contents of quartz and/or carbonate, sulphides (mostly pyrite) and organic matter. Anderson et al. (1985) give a stratigraphic age range of the Swedish shale facies from Middle to Late Cambrian and locally earliest Ordovician. A tabloid of late Middle Cambrian age (*Lepyophyllum leviyatense*) has been found in a limestone lens in black shale 800 metres to the west of this map sheet (Gee 1972). Within the present map area, only minor shaly fragments could be found in black limestone (2a).

The alum shale of the Fjällbråna Formation shows a gradational contact towards the overlying Norraker Formation, the highest stratigraphic unit of the Lower Allochthon, in the western part of the map sheet.

In the central part of the map sheet, the overlying sequence of cm to dm thick interlayers within the alum shale of dark grey to black, impure dolomites, which grade upwards into dark grey to brownish marls. Higher up, the marls and grey mudstones show cm-dm thick interlayers of greywacke beds. Whereas the Norraker Formation is extensively developed towards the south (e.g. Gee & Greiling 1996, Greiling et al. 1996), it is restricted to one minor occurrence on the present map sheet (2a).

The Lower Allochthon is represented by the Blåk Nappe Complex (Kulling 1942) and has been divided earlier, on the map sheets adjacent to the south and west (e.g. Zachrisson and Greiling 1993, 1996), into several thrust systems. On the present map, the Lower Allochthon is exposed in parts of two major, regional antiforms trending NNE-SSW, which were caused by the stacking of the Njakafljället Duplex (Gayer and Greiling 1989) and the Vojmåsjö Duplex to the east. These two structures are bounded by thrusts, which are controlled by the overlying Middle Allochthon. Towards north, the generally NNE-trending horses of the Njakafljället Duplex terminate in an irregular pattern, and some of the horses are bent into an E-W orientation with dips northwards along the valley of the upper Marsän river. As a consequence, the root thrust of the Njakafljället Duplex dips northwards beneath the overlying Krutjön Nappe sheet (Zachrisson and Greiling 1993), which represents the highest unit of the Lower Allochthon and extends into the northwestern part of the present map sheet (3-4, a-c). The E-W trending lateral margin of the Njakafljället Duplex acted effectively as a lateral ramp, albeit with an oblique angle to the nappe transport direction (110°, see below). The geometry gave rise to a series of thrusts dipping generally NNE, dipping towards the west, dipping back and out-of-sequence thrusts with a southward movement. At the eastern Caledonian margin it cannot be distinguished, whether the major part of the marginal thrust system is a duplex or an imbricate fan, due to the erosion of a putative root thrust. However, in the northeastern corner of the present map sheet, a number of horses could be mapped out, which have the base of the Middle Allochthon as their common root thrust. Therefore, this structure can be demonstrated to be a duplex. It is called the Vojmåsjö Duplex here and extends towards east and north into the adjacent map sheets (23G NO, NV, SO).

The structural and metamorphic evolution involves a single pre-existing deformation phase, which produced small-scale, boudinoid or diag. folds and a penetrative foliation in incompetent rocks, synformous with linear cleavage and shearing and thrusting related to nappe transport and stacking of horizons, and the latter also led to folding in the overlying units. Stretching lineations and branch lineations geometry suggest a tectonic transport direction towards the ESE (ca 110°), which is consistent for all the horses in the Lower Allochthon (Gayer and Greiling 1989). Finally, a late out-of-sequence, reverse fault transported a slice of the Lower Allochthon over the Middle Allochthon (Daikanik, 5e).

Ilite crystallinity data define a 'metamorphic' grade between lower anchizone and epizone (Greiling 1985, Warr et al. 1996).

MIDDLE ALLOCHTHON

The Middle Allochthon is represented by the Stålon Nappe (Kulling 1942, 1955), which is widely distributed and generally present between the Lower and Upper Allochthons. The area around the village of Stålon with its church and Stålon Nappe gives rise to the name of the Stålon Nappe (Kulling 1942). It can be divided lithologically into crystalline, pre-Caledonian, basement-cover rocks in various degrees of deformation, including mylonites, and metasedimentary, generally psammitic rocks. The different lithological units are separated by shear zones, and primary basement/cover relationships are not preserved (Greiling 1984a, 1985, 1986, 1989).

The crystalline basement-derived rocks are represented by abundant greenish mylonites, subord. felsic gneisses and metababbros (Greiling 1985, Zachrisson and Greiling 1996, Roos 1997). The greenish mylonites ('green schists of Ullsjöaur type' of Kulling 1942; see 23G NO) consist of plagioclase, epidote, chlorite and subordinate mica-minerals, quartz and opaque minerals. They were probably derived mainly from crystalline, pre-Caledonian rocks, as determined from microscopic and geochemical studies (Greiling 1985, 1992). The mylonites vary from relatively undeformed to weakly deformed, with varying degrees of recrystallization of minerals. According to their petrography, they have been quarried as potential dimension stones at Korpikullen (2b, Einarsson and Greiling 1997, Greiling and Febbroni 1997, Roos 1997). Less deformed, crystalline rocks appear as coarse-grained metababbros with lens-shaped, dark and light mineral grains or pseudomorphs. Microscopic studies show a complete change of the primary mineralogy into chlorite, epidote, albite and accessory minerals. No felsic rocks have been observed in the Middle Allochthon of the present map sheet. However, further north a metaygne has been observed in the Middle Allochthon with a radiometric age of 1768 ± 21 Ma (U/Pb on five fractions of separated zircons, P.-O. Persson, pers. comm.).

The lower part of the overlying metasedimentary sequence is dominated by coarse conglomerates in a psammitic, competent matrix. These conglomerates are thrust upwards in that psammitic interlayer becomes increasingly competent. The matrix is often a light grey-green, which may be related to the base of dm-cm thick psammite beds. Eventually, there is a transition towards thick-bedded, homogeneous, coarse meta-arkoses with rare, metapelite beds as thin (mm-cm), dark grey interlayers or occasionally as angular fragments within the psammites. Apparently overlying the metasandstones but with no primary contact exposed is another type of conglomerate with less abundant boulders in a relatively fine-grained, shaly or phyllitic matrix. The matrix sometimes shows transitions into a psammitic composition so that no clear distinction can be made between the two types of conglomerates. Lithological similarities suggest a correlation of the sedimentary sequence of the Stålon Nappe with the Risbäck Group of the Lower Allochthon. The Stålon Nappe is a thick, well-deformed sequence of low-grade or intermediate (greenschist) (granulite) versus sub-gneissic (grade), see below, by the intensity of deformation and by the conglomerate's pebble contents. According to pebble statistics (Kulling 1942), the conglomerates in both allochthons are dominated by boulders of granite, syenite, felsic gneiss, vein quartz, feldspar megacrysts and rhyolite. Conglomerates of the Lower Allochthon are distinct by containing up to 20% of boulders derived from clastic, metasedimentary rocks (pelites-psammites). In contrast, no metasedimentary fragments are reported from Middle Allochthon conglomerates. Instead, the latter may contain up to 30% of mafic boulders, whereas in the Lower Allochthon the content of mafic boulders is 10% or less.

At Stålon and Matskanän (4b), a sequence of alternating, greenish pelites and cm-mm thick, light greenish gneisses and arkoses is exposed. The unit is at least 20 metres thick, and can be followed along strike for several kilometres towards northeast (see 23G NV). There, this sequence is an overturned thrust and apparently overlying the bulk of metasedimentary rocks of the Stålon Nappe. The lithologic character strongly resembles, and may be specularly correlated with, the Gårdjön Formation of the Lower Allochthon. Such a correlation is consistent with the position as the highest, metasedimentary unit of the Middle Allochthon. However, this sequence is clearly epimetamorphic, in contrast to the anchimetamorphic Lower Allochthon.

Structure. Early Caledonian deformation in the Middle Allochthon is documented by recumbent, isoclinal folds with a penetrative schistosity, deformed by generally open folds, attributed to a second structural phase. These latter folds are associated with axial planar crenulations cleavage that may be penetrative. The latter are often accompanied by a garnet-rich inclusion zone. P-T conditions of about 500°C and 4 kbar. Subsequent mylonitization is associated with retrogression of garnet and brown biotite into coexisting muscovite, chlorite, green biotite and rare stilpnomelane in pelitic rocks, indicating lower greenschist facies metamorphic conditions. Less deformed domains still retain higher grade assemblages, that remained apparently unaffected by retrogression.

Mineral assemblages representing an early peak of metamorphism are characterized by coexisting almandine, garnet and biotite in pelitic rocks and an assemblage of garnet, biotite and plagioclase in gneissic rocks (Greiling 1982). The latter assemblage is typical for metapsammite pelites, whereas in the Stålon Nappe (Middle Allochthon), foliation surfaces are (medium) grey with brownish hue (from biotite). In the Stålon Nappe (Middle Allochthon), foliation surfaces are 'phyllitic' and appear dark grey with greenish hue (from chlorite or epidote). Macroscopically, there are neither muscovite nor biotite crystals visible. Biotite of garnet can only be observed in thin sections; quartz is recrystallized, but the primary shape of clastic grains can often be observed; feldspar clasts are often well preserved. Locally, primary features such as cross-bedding or graded bedding can be discerned.

Cross-section

The higher-grade rocks in the structurally lower part of the Upper Allochthon are included within the Seve Nappe complex. The Seve rocks of the 23F Fatmomakke area immediately to the west are studied and described by Trouw (1973). The present map area is covered by what he called the Eastern Schist and Amphibolite Belt, which in this context includes the Grytsjö schists (Zachrisson and Greiling 1993). The schists vary from muscovite-dominated mica schists with abundant biotite and garnet porphyroblasts to more quartz-feldspathic, gneissic varieties or more quartz-rich, metapsammite rocks.

Precrystallized quartz-metapsammite units of the Seve and Stålon Nappes are lithologically very similar, although they can be differentiated by the presence of chlorite, which is absent in the Stålon Nappe, whereas in the Seve it is present. Both are re-crystallized (retrograde) to biotite and quartz porphyroblasts, in general there is no primary textures preserved; foliation surfaces appear as (medium) grey with brownish hue (from biotite). In the Stålon Nappe (Middle Allochthon), foliation surfaces are 'phyllitic' and appear dark grey with greenish hue (from chlorite or epidote). Macroscopically, there are neither muscovite nor biotite crystals visible. Biotite of garnet can only be observed in thin sections; quartz is recrystallized, but the primary shape of clastic grains can often be observed; feldspar clasts are often well preserved. Locally, primary features such as cross-bedding or graded bedding can be discerned.

Cross-section

Contouring of the top of the peneplaned, Proterozoic basement at the Caledonian front indicates a west-northwest dip of the surface 0.6°–1.7°. The Caledonian basal detachment surface is generally developed within the sedimentary sequence, a few tens of metres above and below parallel with the basement surface. Therefore, this section is drawn assuming a sole thrust with a general dip of 1.5° (cf. Gee et al. 1978, Beirlein and Greiling 1993) from the eastern Caledonian margin towards the west-northwest. It trends at a low angle to the tectonic transport direction of the Lower Allochthon (110°). Previous sections on the Njakafljället Duplex have been published by Kulling (1972), Gayer and Greiling (1989) and Zachrisson and Greiling (1993). The present section shows the buried, northern termination of the Njakafljället Duplex, which is overlain by the Krutjön Nappe sheet (Zachrisson and Greiling 1993). The latter is composed of a basement slice, which is partially overlain by the Röbäck Group. The latter is composed of a pelitic sequence, which is partially overlain by the Röbäck Group rocks. In the easternmost part of the section, the trailing end of the marginal thrust system is just visible. The synformal areas between the antiformal structures of the Lower Allochthon are occupied by the Stålon Nappe of the Middle Allochthon, which is probably riding directly on top of the autochthonous, sedimentary sequence. The dominating metapsammites of the Stålon Nappe are imbricated together with horses of basement-derived mylonites.

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