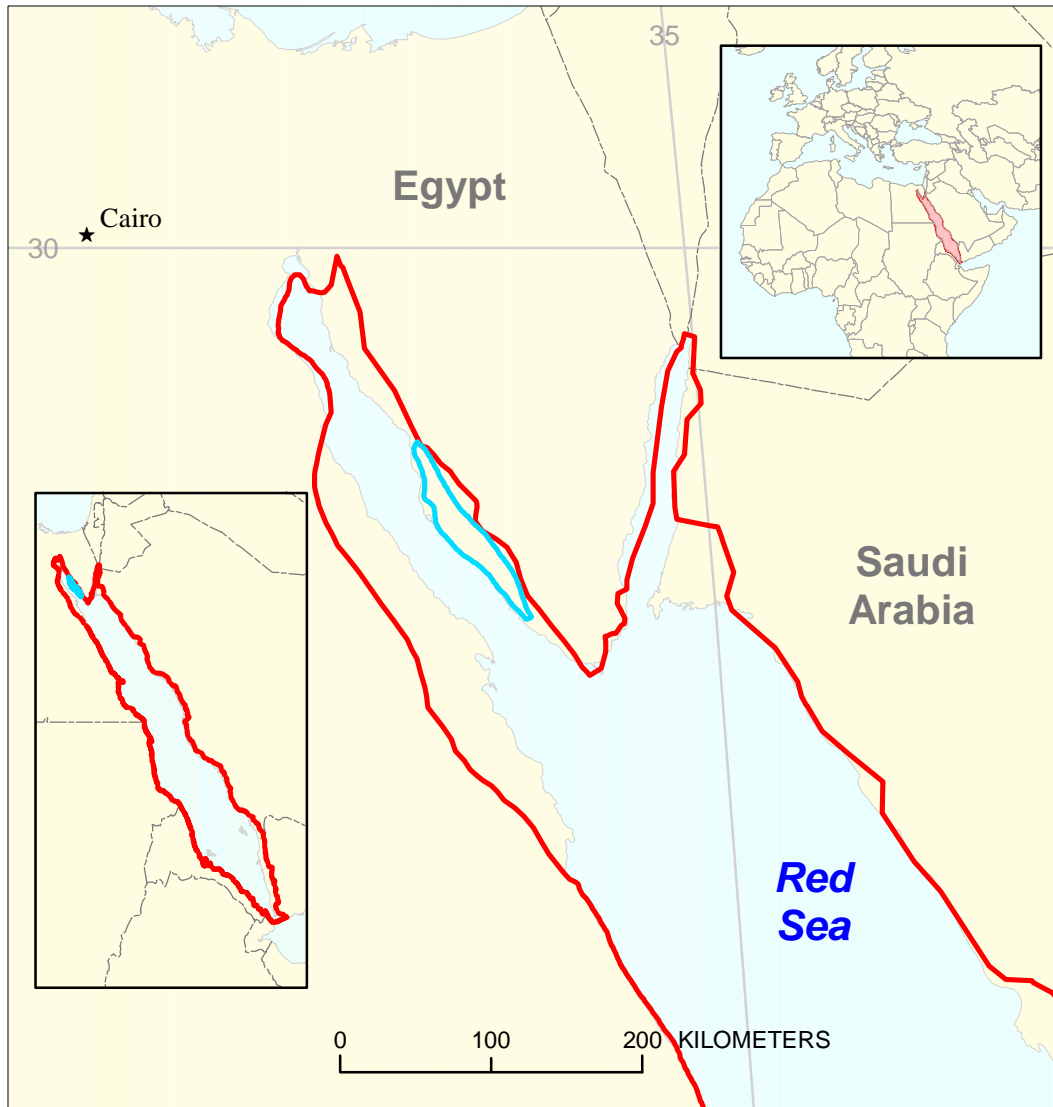


Gulf of Suez Qaa Plain Assessment Unit 20710102



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- Red Sea Basin Geologic Province 2071

USGS PROVINCE: Red Sea Basin (2071)

GEOLOGIST: S.J. Lindquist

TOTAL PETROLEUM SYSTEM: Sudr-Nubia (207101)

ASSESSMENT UNIT: Gulf of Suez Qaa Plain (20710102) (hypothetical)

DESCRIPTION: The Gulf of Suez Basin is an abandoned Miocene rift (part of the Red Sea rift system) between the northeastern Egypt deserts and the Sinai Peninsula, which includes shallow offshore and adjacent onshore areas. This assessment unit is an onshore area on the east side of the gulf with questionable mature source and trap presence and thus longer migration routes required. It is <2,000 sq km in area.

SOURCE ROCKS: Oil-prone, Upper Cretaceous (Campanian) Sudr Formation organic-rich, uraniferous marine limestone, with TOC content averaging 2.6 wt. % (maximum 21 wt. %) and thickness ranging from 25 to 75 m, is present west of this assessment unit.

MATURATION: Dominantly Late Miocene, 6 to 12 Ma, within the major part of the Gulf of Suez Basin west of this assessment unit.

MIGRATION: Significant lateral migration might be required from mature source rock.

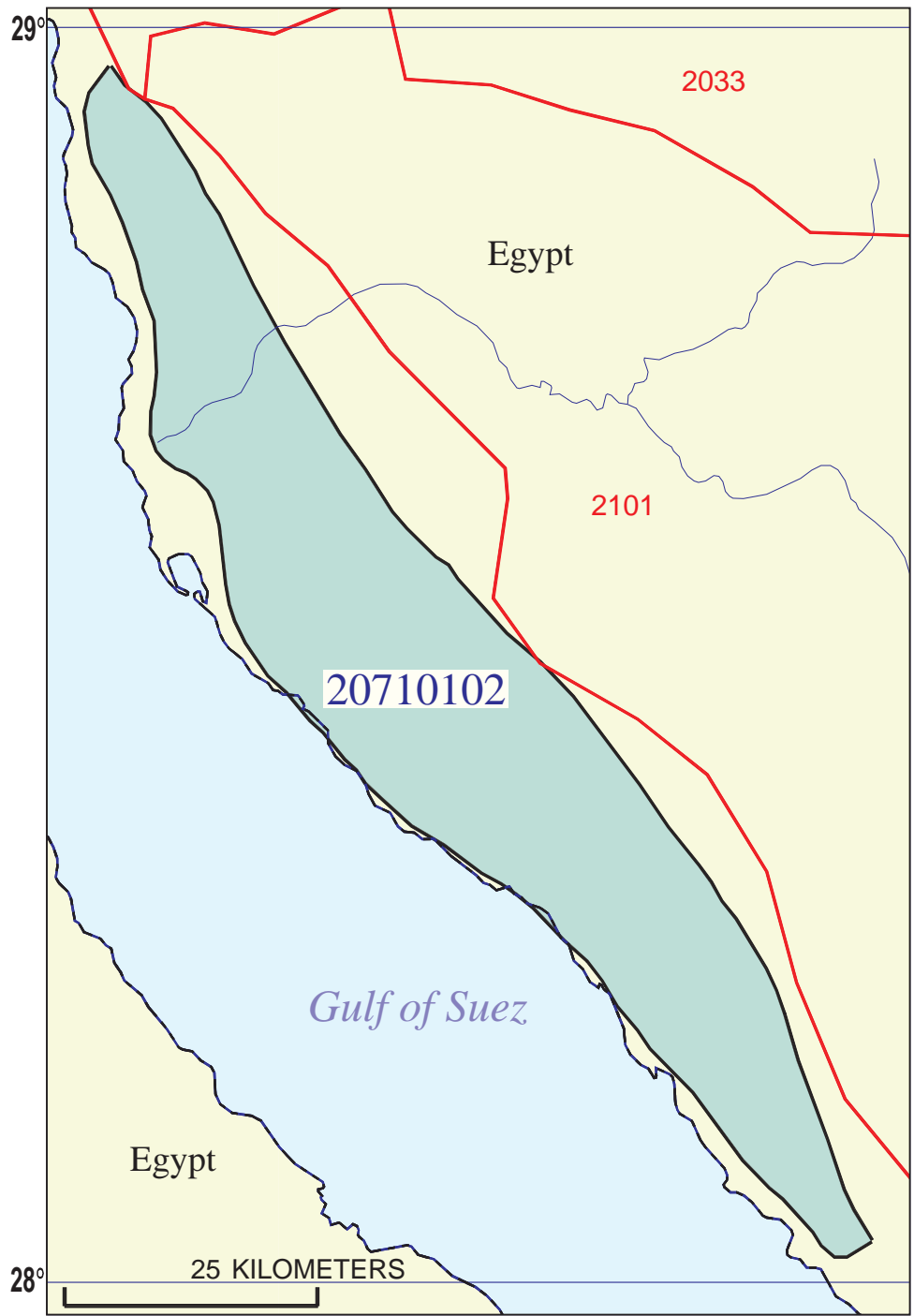
RESERVOIR ROCKS: Primarily pre-rift, Paleozoic to Lower Cretaceous sandstones, collectively called Nubia, that were deposited in continental to shallow marine environments. Preserved gross Nubia thicknesses can exceed 1,000 m. Arithmetic average of Nubia porosity is 19 percent and of Nubia permeability is 700 mD.

TRAPS AND SEALS: Traps are predominantly tilted fault blocks of Miocene age. Rifting processes peaked approximately 18 Ma. The regional seal is extensive post-rift, Upper Miocene (10 to 5 m.y. old) salt, evaporite and shale hundreds of meters thick.

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EXPLANATION

- Hydrography
- Shoreline
- 2071 Geologic province code and boundary
- - - Country boundary
- Gas field centerpoint
- Oil field centerpoint
- 20710102 — Assessment unit code and boundary

Projection: Robinson. Central meridian: 0

**SEVENTH APPROXIMATION
NEW MILLENNIUM WORLD PETROLEUM ASSESSMENT
DATA FORM FOR CONVENTIONAL ASSESSMENT UNITS**

Date:..... 10/7/98
 Assessment Geologist:..... T.S. Ahlbrandt
 Region:..... Middle East and North Africa Number: 2
 Province:..... Red Sea Basin Number: 2071
 Priority or Boutique..... Priority
 Total Petroleum System:..... Sudr-Nubia Number: 207101
 Assessment Unit:..... Gulf of Suez Qaa Plain Number: 20710102
 * Notes from Assessor Used MMS growth factor.

CHARACTERISTICS OF ASSESSMENT UNIT

Oil (<20,000 cfg/bo overall) **or** Gas (≥20,000 cfg/bo overall):... Oil

What is the minimum field size?..... 1 mmmboe grown (≥1mmboe)
 (the smallest field that has potential to be added to reserves in the next 30 years)

Number of discovered fields exceeding minimum size:..... Oil: 0 Gas: 0
 Established (>13 fields) _____ Frontier (1-13 fields) _____ Hypothetical (no fields) X

Median size (grown) of discovered oil fields (mmboe):
 1st 3rd _____ 2nd 3rd _____ 3rd 3rd _____
 Median size (grown) of discovered gas fields (bcfg):
 1st 3rd _____ 2nd 3rd _____ 3rd 3rd _____

Assessment-Unit Probabilities:

<u>Attribute</u>	<u>Probability of occurrence (0-1.0)</u>
1. CHARGE: Adequate petroleum charge for an undiscovered field ≥ minimum size.....	<u>1.0</u>
2. ROCKS: Adequate reservoirs, traps, and seals for an undiscovered field ≥ minimum size.....	<u>0.6</u>
3. TIMING OF GEOLOGIC EVENTS: Favorable timing for an undiscovered field ≥ minimum size	<u>1.0</u>

Assessment-Unit GEOLOGIC Probability (Product of 1, 2, and 3):..... 0.6

4. **ACCESSIBILITY:** Adequate location to allow exploration for an undiscovered field
 ≥ minimum size..... 1.0

UNDISCOVERED FIELDS

Number of Undiscovered Fields: How many undiscovered fields exist that are ≥ minimum size?:
 (uncertainty of fixed but unknown values)

Oil fields:.....min. no. (>0) 1 median no. 7 max no. 15
 Gas fields:.....min. no. (>0) _____ median no. _____ max no. _____

Size of Undiscovered Fields: What are the anticipated sizes (**grown**) of the above fields?:
 (variations in the sizes of undiscovered fields)

Oil in oil fields (mmbo)..... min. size 1 median size 10 max. size 500
 Gas in gas fields (bcfg):..... min. size _____ median size _____ max. size _____

AVERAGE RATIOS FOR UNDISCOVERED FIELDS, TO ASSESS COPRODUCTS
 (uncertainty of fixed but unknown values)

<u>Oil Fields:</u>	minimum	median	maximum
Gas/oil ratio (cfg/bo).....	300	500	700
NGL/gas ratio (bnl/mmcf).....	20	30	40
<u>Gas fields:</u>	minimum	median	maximum
Liquids/gas ratio (bnl/mmcf).....	_____	_____	_____
Oil/gas ratio (bo/mmcf).....	_____	_____	_____

SELECTED ANCILLARY DATA FOR UNDISCOVERED FIELDS
 (variations in the properties of undiscovered fields)

<u>Oil Fields:</u>	minimum	median	maximum
API gravity (degrees).....	13	22	30
Sulfur content of oil (%).....	0.5	2.5	5
Drilling Depth (m)	1000	2500	4000
Depth (m) of water (if applicable).....	0	0	0
<u>Gas Fields:</u>	minimum	median	maximum
Inert gas content (%).....	_____	_____	_____
CO ₂ content (%).....	_____	_____	_____
Hydrogen-sulfide content (%).....	_____	_____	_____
Drilling Depth (m).....	_____	_____	_____
Depth (m) of water (if applicable).....	_____	_____	_____

**ALLOCATION OF UNDISCOVERED RESOURCES IN THE ASSESSMENT UNIT
 TO COUNTRIES OR OTHER LAND PARCELS** (uncertainty of fixed but unknown values)

1. Egypt represents 100 areal % of the total assessment unit

<u>Oil in Oil Fields:</u>	minimum	median	maximum
Richness factor (unitless multiplier):.....	_____	_____	_____
Volume % in parcel (areal % x richness factor):...	_____	100	_____
Portion of volume % that is offshore (0-100%):.....	_____	0	_____
 <u>Gas in Gas Fields:</u>	 minimum	 median	 maximum
Richness factor (unitless multiplier):.....	_____	_____	_____
Volume % in parcel (areal % x richness factor):...	_____	_____	_____
Portion of volume % that is offshore (0-100%):.....	_____	_____	_____

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Undiscovered Field-Size Distribution

