# Diversity of copper and gold deposits in the Eastern Europe Balkan, Carpathian and Rhodopean belts: tectonic, magmatic and geochronological investigations



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	Name	Title	Affiliation	
0	Albrecht von Quadt	Opening	ETH Zurich	8.15 - 8.30
•	ional Geology			
1	Stefan Schmid	Correlation of tectonic units from the Alps to	ETH Zurich	-
2	Ioan Seghedi	Western Turkey Miocene-Quaternary basalts from East Carpathian volcanic chain, Romania: a mineral	Institute of Geodynamics of Romanian Academy, Bucharest	8.30 - 9.00
3	Sibila Borojevic Sostaric	chemistry and melt inclusion study Oligocene shoshonitic rocks of the Rogozna Mts. (Central Balkan Peninsula): evidence of petrogenetic links to the formation of Pb-Zn-Ag	Faculty of Mining Geology, Zagreb	9.00 - 9.30
4	Kristina Saric	ore deposits  New LA-ICP-MS U/Pb zircon data on various granitoids from the European side of the	Faculty of Mining and Geology, Belgrade	9.30 - 9.45
Reg	ional Metallogeny	Tethyan Mesozoic suture		9.45 - 10.0
	Todor Serafimovski	Major Alpine ore districts at the territory of the Republic of Macedonia	University "Goce Delcev"- Stip	- 10.00 - 10.3
6	Daniela Gallhofer	Geodynamics, geochronology and Cu-Au hydrothermal ore provinces in the Banat	ETH Zurich, IGP	10.30 - 11.0
	Coffee break	region and Apuseni mountains		11.00 - 11.3
7	Alexsandar Pacevski	Skarn mineralizations in the Bor ore district: new evidence from study of bornite-	Faculty of Mining and Geology, Belgrade	11.30 - 11.3
Ēnv	ironmental Geology	chalcopyrite-hematite paragenesis		11.30 - 11.4
	Lazar Gjorgiev	Technogenous deposits and their	University "Goce Delcev"-	-
	, 0	environmental impact around the Buchim Mine	Stip	11.45 - 12.0
9	Aneta Donkova-	Au-Ag tellurides and other mineral	University "Goce Delcev"- Stip	
10	Petrushova Dobriela Rogožareva	associations in the Ilovitza Cu-Au deposit  Some typical hydrothermal alterations in the	University "Goce Delcev"-	12.00 - 12.1
10	Dobnicia riogozareva	Ilovitza Cu-deposit	Stip	12.15 - 12.3
	Lunch			12.30 - 14.0
)er	oosit Studies			
_	Elitsa Stefanova	llovitsa porphyry Cu-Au deposit: sequence of vein formation and sulfide deposition	BAS, Geological Institute, Sofia	- 14.00 -14.1
12	Zlatko Peltekovski	Principle metallogenic features of the Sasa Pb-Zn deposit, Republic of Macedonia	University "Goce Delcev"- Stip	
13	Goran Tasev	New data of fluid inclusions study of the Kadiica deposit, Republic of Macedonia	University "Goce Delcev"- Stip	14.15 - 14.3 14.30 - 14.4
14	Violeta Stefanova	Placer gold prospecting around the Tertiary occurrences in the Republic of Macedonia	University "Goce Delcev"- Stip	14.45 - 15.0
15	Rossitza Vassileva	Compositional characteristics of sulphide mineralization from the hydrothermal Madan	BAS, Geological Institute, Sofia	
		Pb-Zn deposits: a LA-ICP-MS study		15.00 - 15.1

Atanas Hikov	Rare earth element mobility during advanced argillic alteration in Assarel porphyry copper deposit, Central Srednogorie, Bulgaria	Elatsite Mine	
ematism			15.15 - 15.3
Joshua Barcikowski	Magmatic evolution of the Buchim-Damjan- Borov Dol ore district - Petrology-geochemistry	ETH Zurich	- 15.30 - 15.4
Stephan Lehmann	Magmatic evolution of the Buchim-Damjan- Borov Dol ore district- Geochronology-source	ETH Zurich	
	material		15.45 -16.0
Coffee break			16.00 - 16.3
Milorad Antic	More than 500 Ma of magmatic and tectonic evolution of the Serbo-Macedonian Massif (south Serbia, southwest Bulgaria and east	University of Basel	
	Macedonia)		16.30 - 16.4
Stela Atanasova	Magma Interaction Recorded in Amphiboles from Vitosha pluton, Western Srednogorie,	BAS, Geological Institute, Sofia	
	Bulgaria"		16.45 - 17.0
Petyo Filipov	Preliminary Data on the Age and Geochemistry of Mesta Volcanic Complex and	BAS, Geological Institute, Sofia	
			17.00 - 17.1
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## The magmatic evolution of the Buchim-Damjan-Borov Dol ore district

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### Introduction

This Project explores the Buchim-Damjan-Borov-Dol ore district with a detailed look on the Buchim porphyry Cu-Au deposit (Figure 1). The area, which is about 150 km² in size, is part of the Southern Balkan tectonic system (Serafimovski et al. 2010). The ore district is located in the eastern part of Macedonia, around the contact of the Vardar zone in the east and the Serbo-Macedonian massif in the west (Serafimovski et al. 2010). During Upper Oligocene, a lot of sub- and volcanic activities have occurred in this region resulted in numbers of intrusions with various magmatic compositions and age. The district includes the following intrusions which are specified in this research: Buchim (Central, Vrsnik, Bunarzik), Borov Dol, Damjan and Black Hill. They are dated between 24.5-24.0 Ma with the U-Pb method in Zircon and have an andesitic to trachyandesitic composition. Further most of them consist of various magma generations. This leads to magma mingling and differences in mineralogical features, like phenocryst occurrence and grain size.

The Buchim deposit consists of four ore bodies: Central, Bunardzik, Vrsnik and Cukar. These ore bodies are spread over an area of approximately  $10 \text{ km}^2$  (Čifligance 1993). The Central, Bunardzik and Vrsnik ore bodies are related to andesitic porphyry intrusions, whereas the Cukar ore body consists of a supergene copper mineralization (Čifligance 1993). All four ore bodies lay in different Precambrian Gneisses (Čifligance 1993). The reserves of the Central ore body are 120 Mt with an average Cu content of .34% and an average Au content of .35g/t (Serafimovski et al. 2010). Nevertheless the low ore grade, the mining of the deposit started in 1979 (Serafimovski et al. 2010). A mineralized gneissic xenolith, in the Central porphyry andesite, leads to the conclusion that the current porphyry is an overprinting of an earlier porphyry stock. Further the present intrusion shows some magma mixing features. Crosscut relation at the contact of the Central and Vrsnik porphyry show that Vrsnik body is younger than the Central porphyry bodies. The Vrsnik porphyry contains 4 magmatic events. Two of them show also a magma mingling. The Bunarzik intrusion contains two magma generations.

### Results

Zr/Ti vs. Nb/Y (Pierce 1996), Si vs. Zr/Ti (Winchester and Floyd 1977) and Th vs. Co (Hastie et al. 2007) are all indicating the rock composition as andesitic. The only exception is Black Hill. It has a trachytic composition. Based on the Th vs. Co data the rocks further belong to the high K and sho-shoitic series. Chondrite-normalized (after Hofmann 1988) rare earth element patterns of the samples are showing enrichment in light REE and depletion in middle REE elements leading to hockeystick geometry. This indicates an early amphibole fractionation. The result is supported by high Sr/Y ratio, which indicates high-pressure magma and/or hydrous magma, in which plagioclase crystallization is suppressed and hornblende saturated (Rohlach and Loucks 2005). Microscopical features are supporting this interpretation of an early amphibole phase and amphibole fractionation. Further N-MORB normalized (after Hofmann 1988) values showing a clear continental arc setting pattern.

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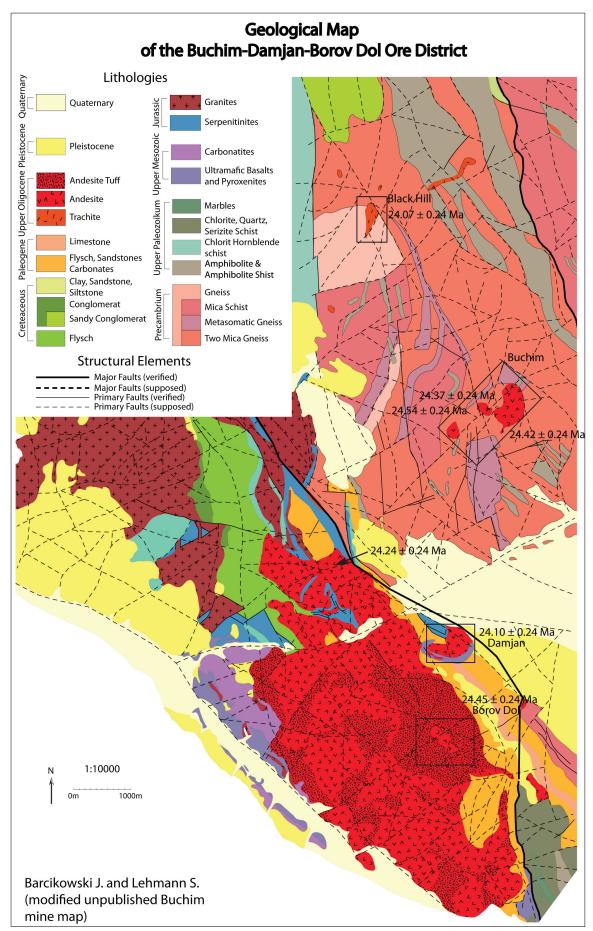


Fig. 1: Geological map of the Buchim-Damjan-Borov Dol ore district

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