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# STUDY OF THE LITHOSPHERE IN THE CARPATHIAN-PANNONIAN REGION: BASED ON INTEGRATED INTERPRETATION OF GRAVITY FIELD

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# Ján Mendel



**Ján Medlen** (born: on January 9th, 1870, Egbell; died: June 6<sup>th</sup>, 1944, Gbely)

- He was a slovak farmer who discovered, in 1912, the first natural gas deposits near his house in Gbely
- He brought the gas through the corridor to his house and he started to use it for cooking and heating. Until - his house exploded after burn the gas, because the concentration of gas was very high. The story happened in 1913.
- The Ministry of Finance of the Kingdom of Hungary sent the geologists: Böckh and Papp to make a geological survey of this area.
- In 1914, they proposed to make a borehole near Gbely, that found out at a depth of 163 meters the oil.
- On January 13, 1914, Austria-Hungarian monarchy began, for the first time, to exploit oil.



His a nice bust in Gbely

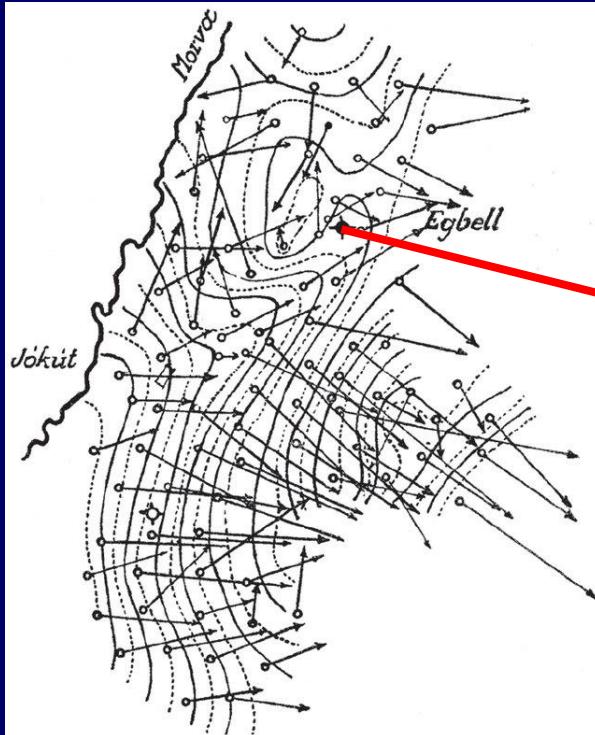




# Eötvös gravity measurements in Egbell (Gbely)



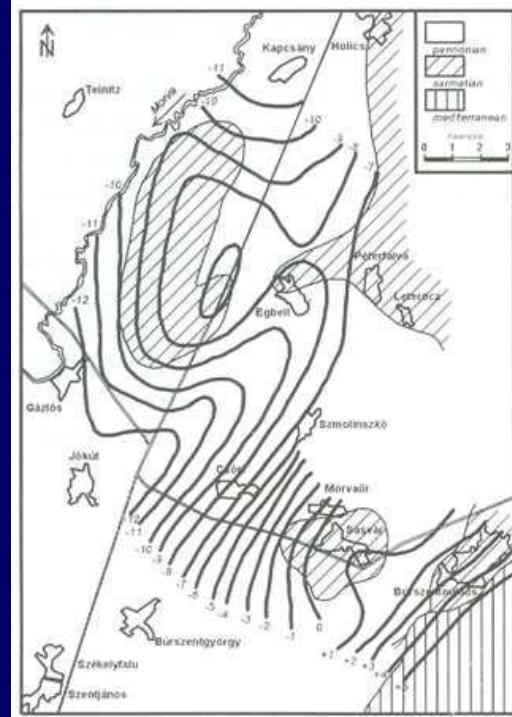
Eötvös torsion-balance map  
of the Egbell (Gbely) oil field (now in Slovakia)



made by Eötvös' assistants  
Pekár and Fekete in 1915-16

borehole  
sited by  
Böckh in  
1913

Gravity anomaly map  
of the Egbell (Gbely) oil field



re-draft after Renner (1953).  
Values of isolines are in  $10^{-5} \text{ ms}^{-2}$

- Length arrows, showing magnitude and directions of the horizontal gradient of gravity. The contours (isogams) are in Eötvös units ( $10^{-6} \text{ mGal cm}^{-1}$ ).



## Bouguer gravity anomaly map

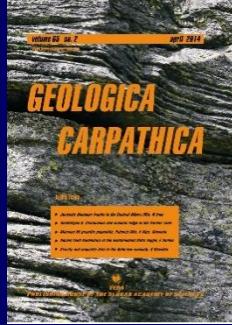


## Eötvös gravimetric measurements

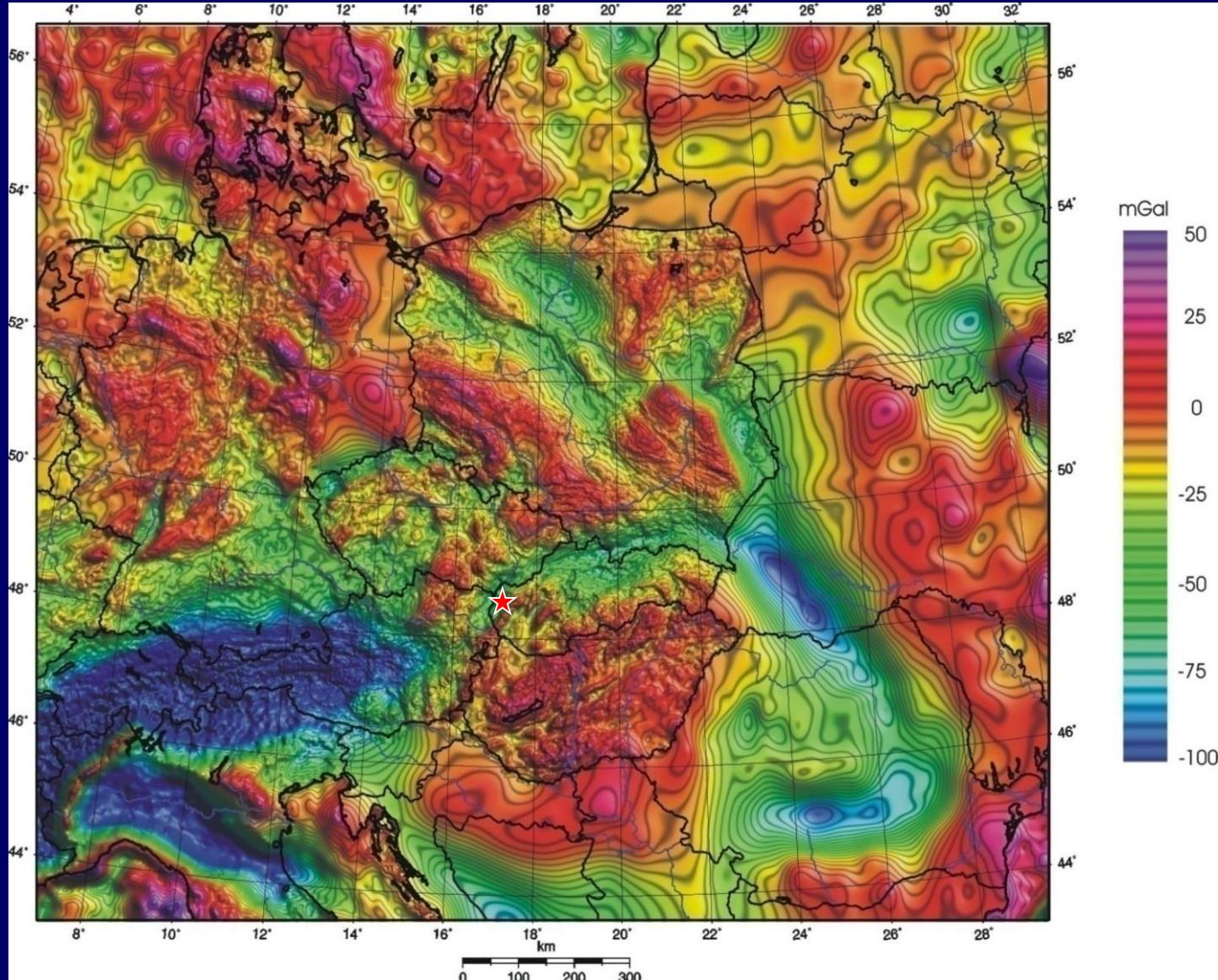
meant a huge success  
not only for  
**oil industry** but also for the **gravimetry in Europe and the world**



# Bouguer gravity anomaly map



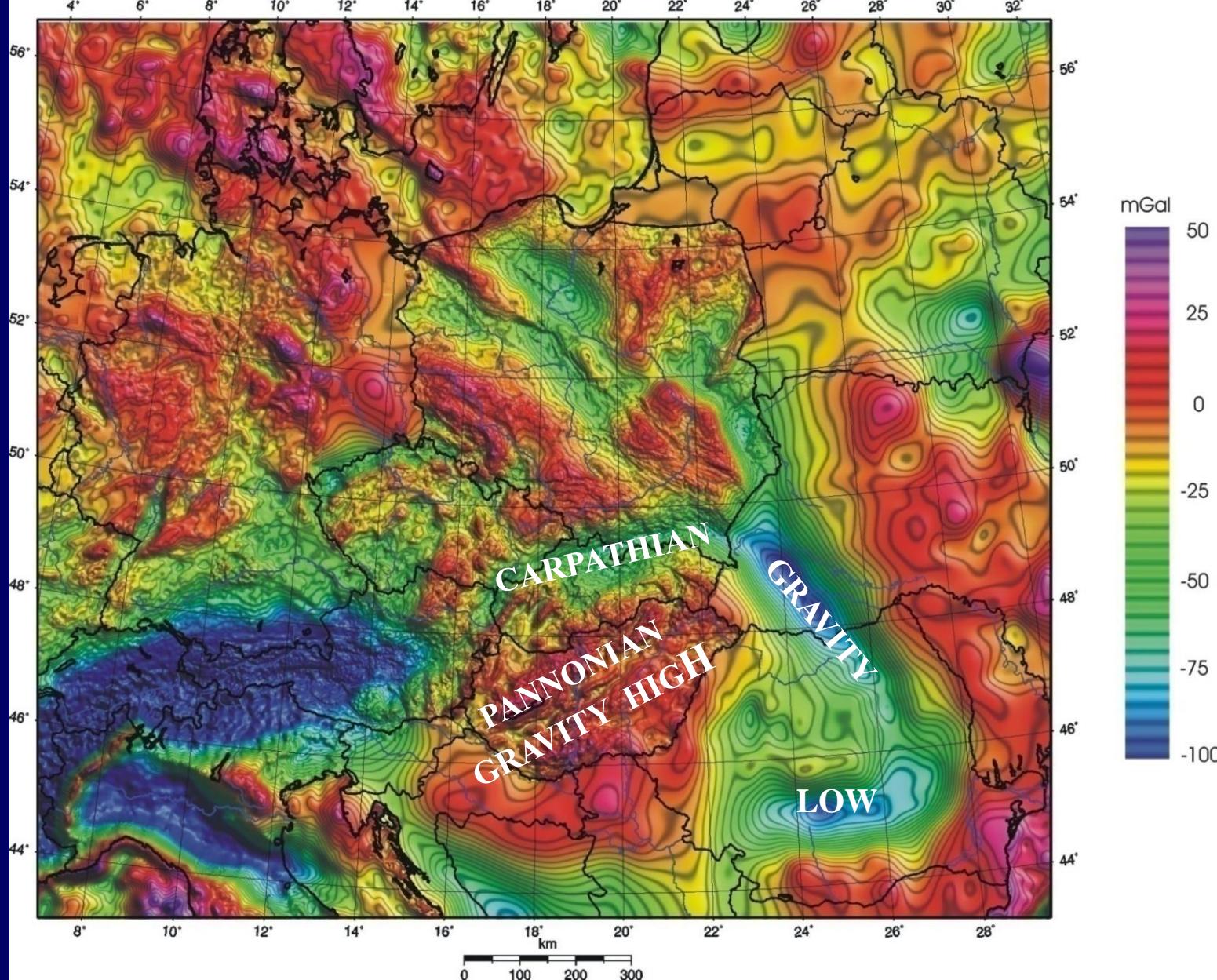
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compiled in frame of International project CELEBRATION 2000

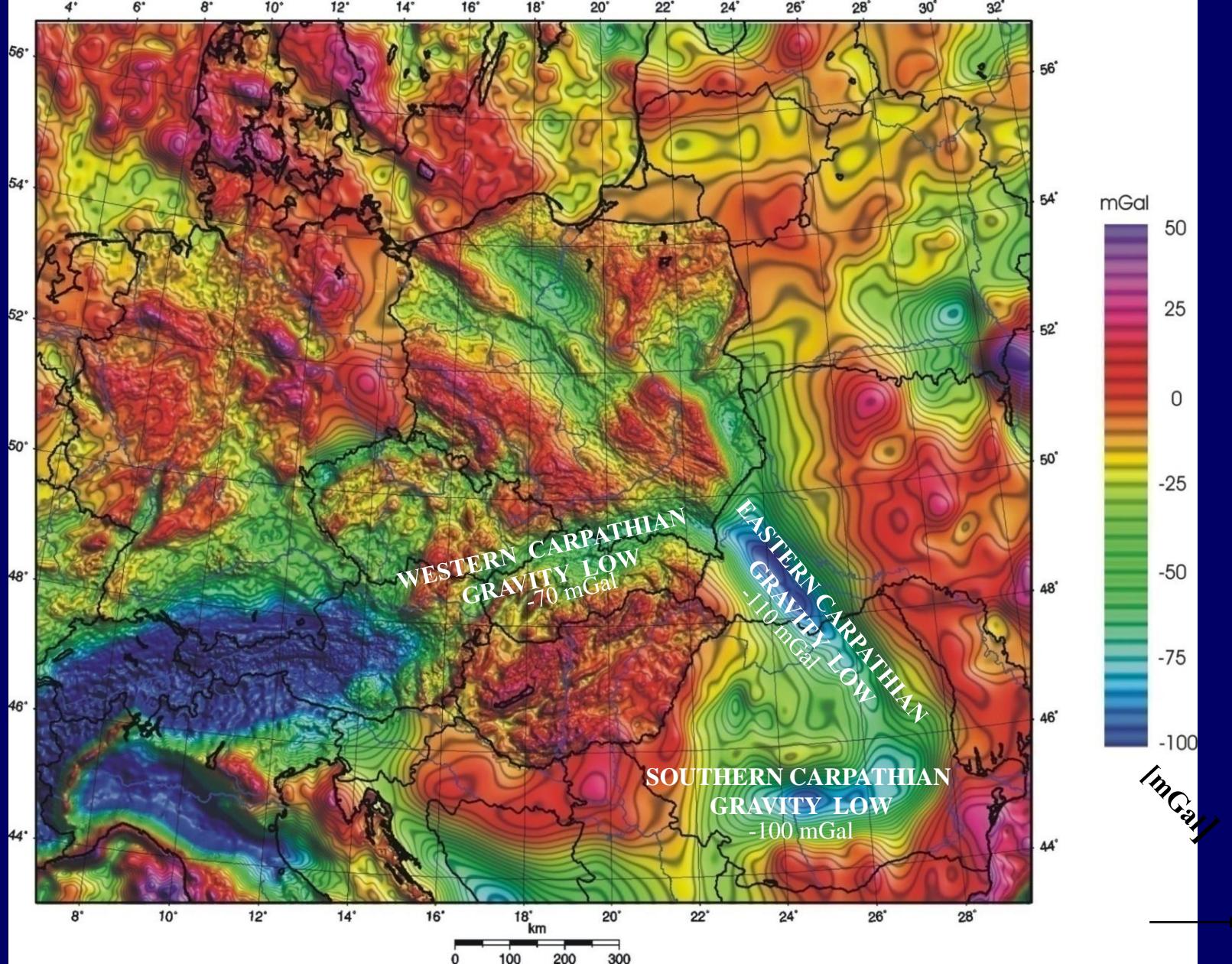


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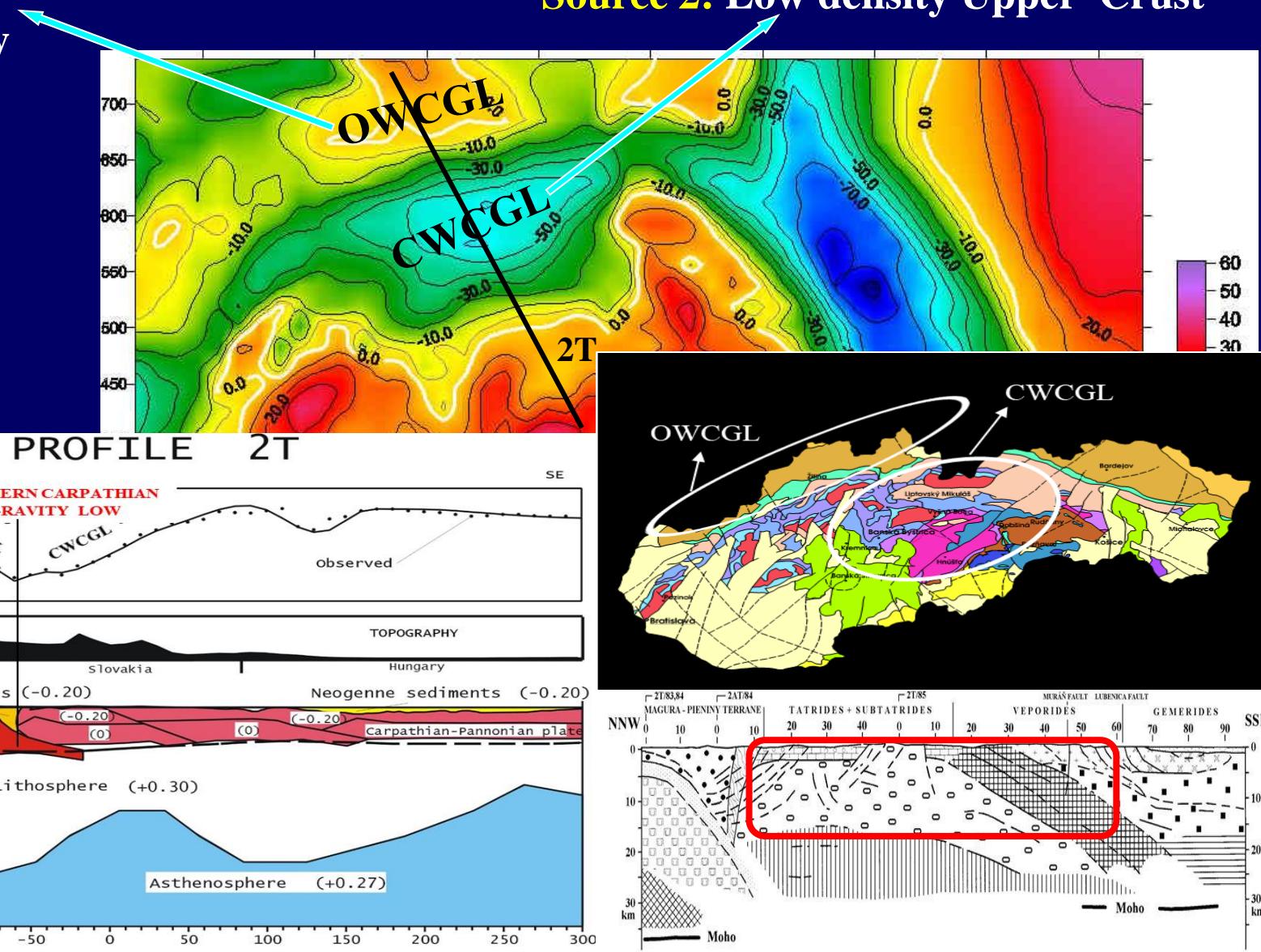


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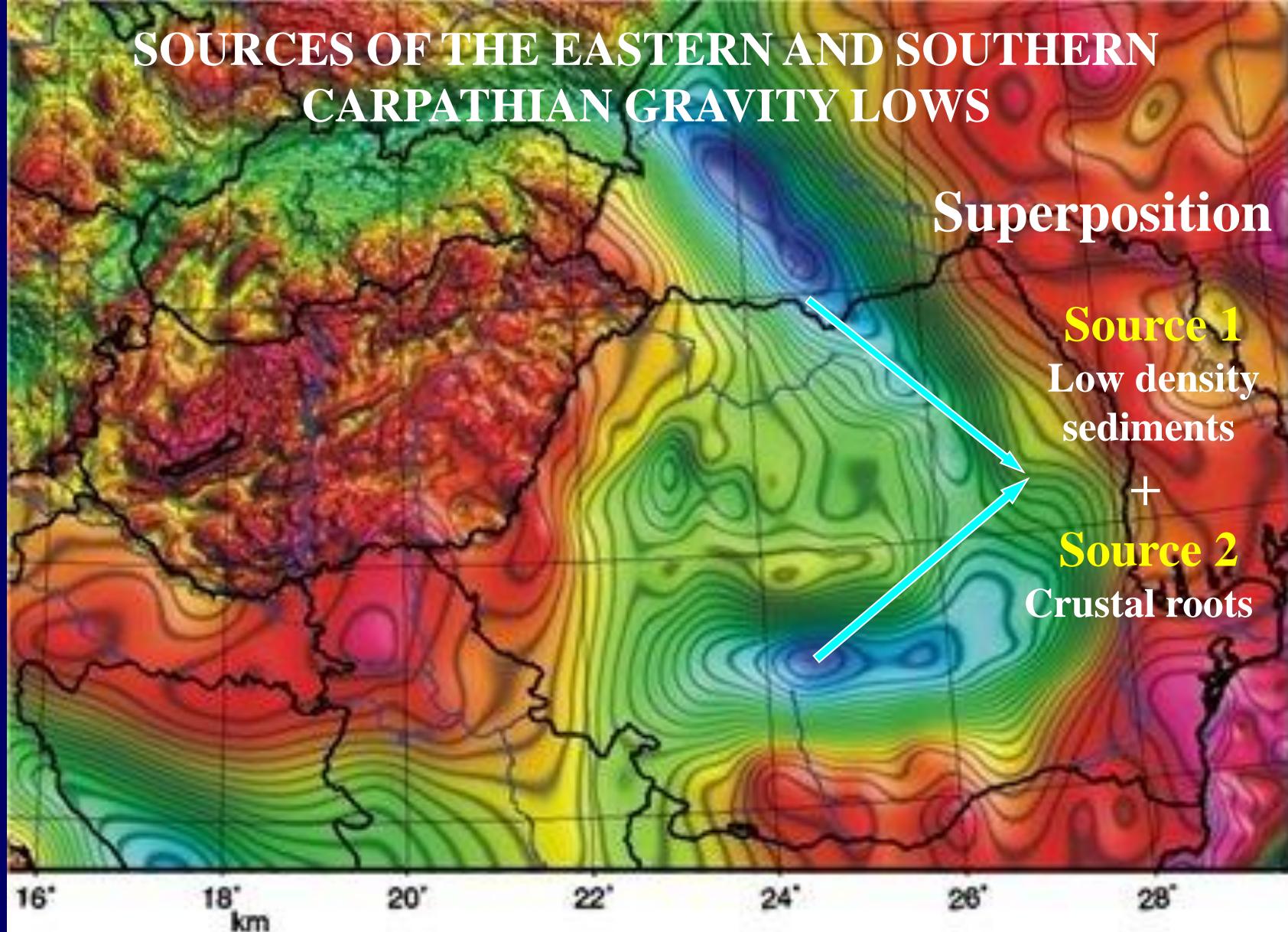
## **Source 1: Low density Sediments**

## Source 2: Low density Upper Crust



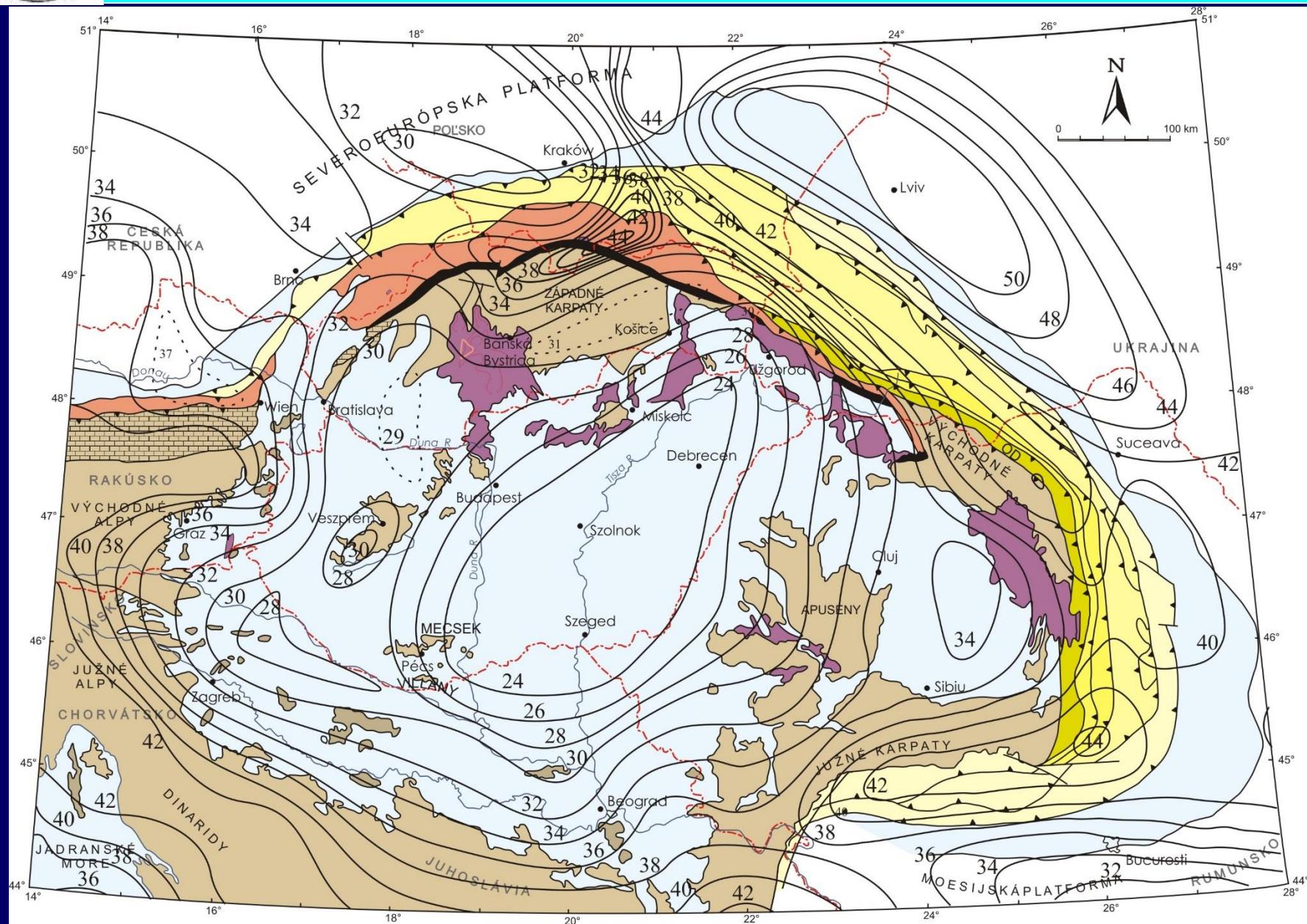


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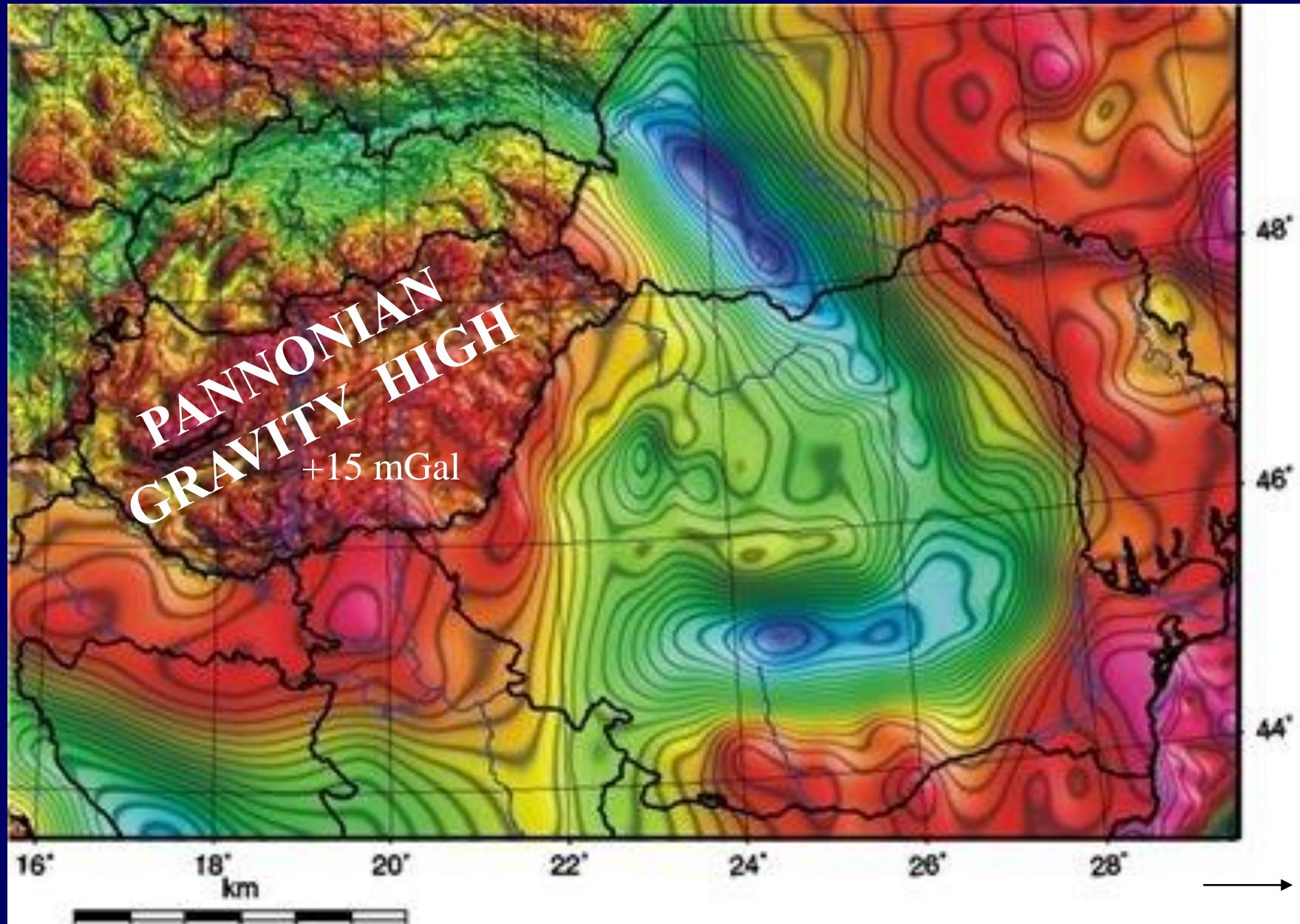
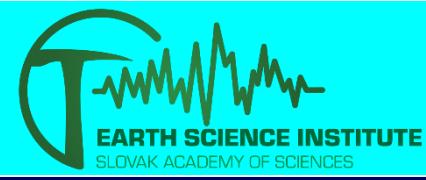


# Moho depth



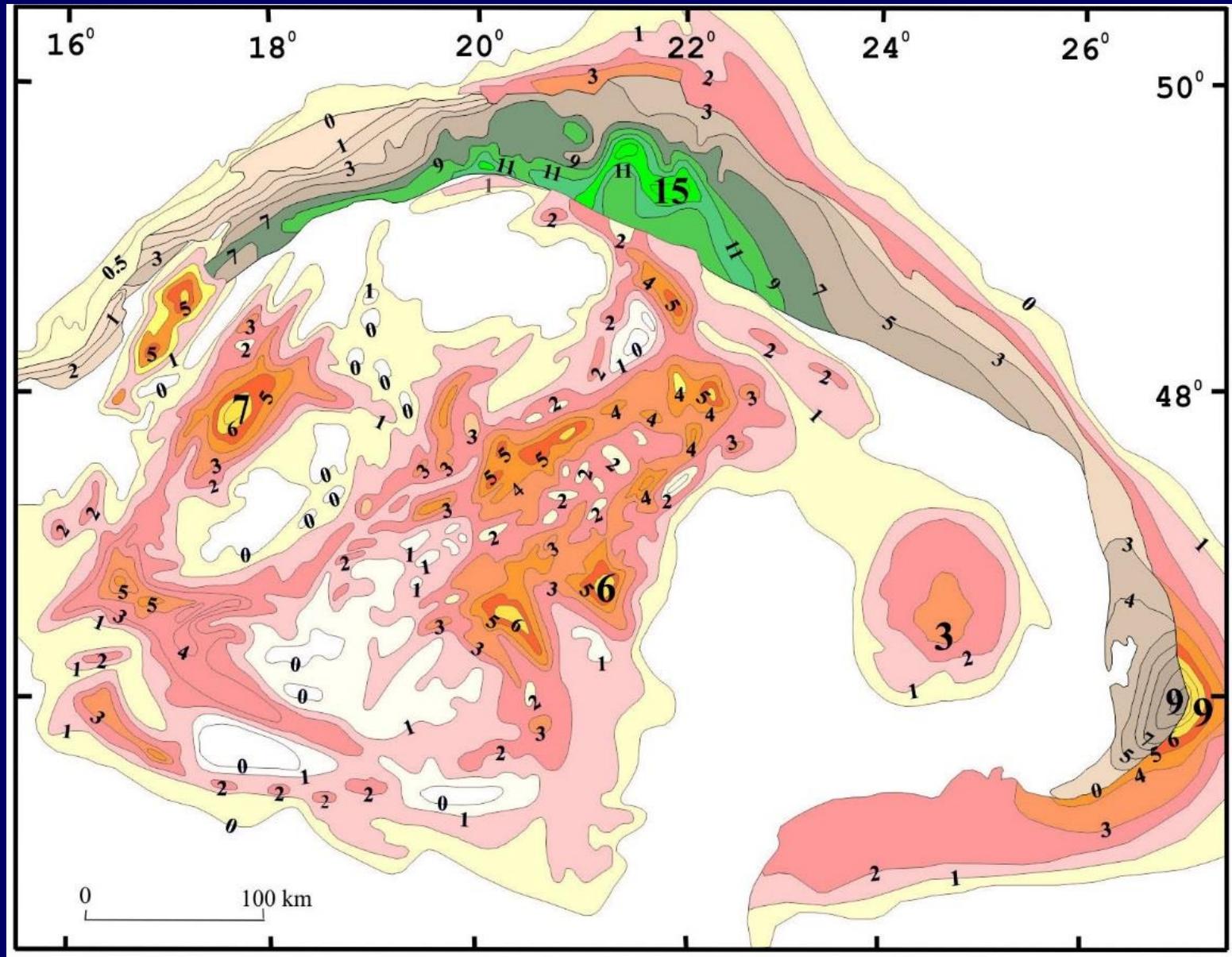


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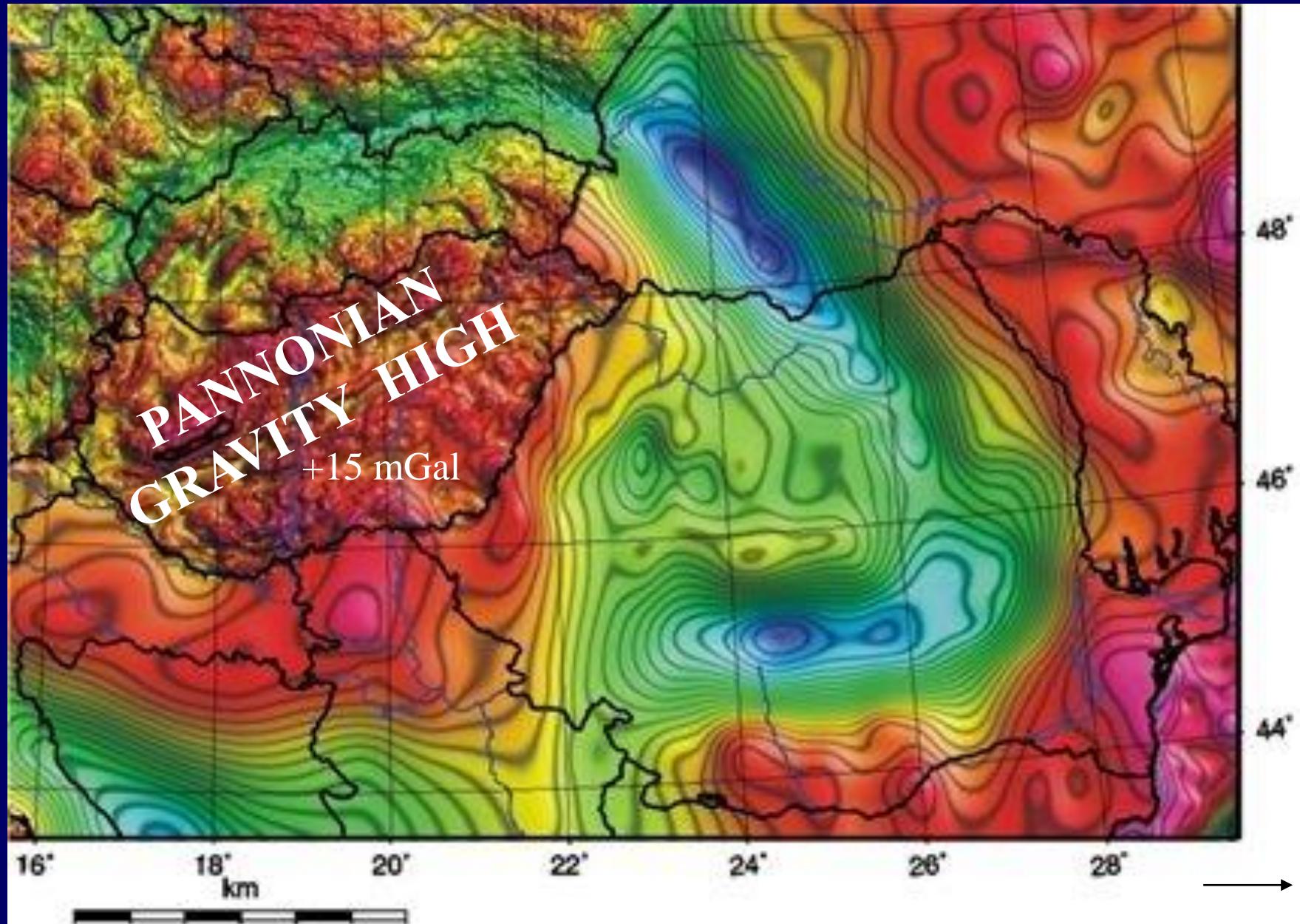
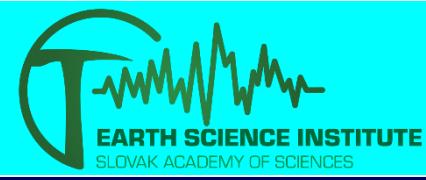


## Sedimentary thickness model



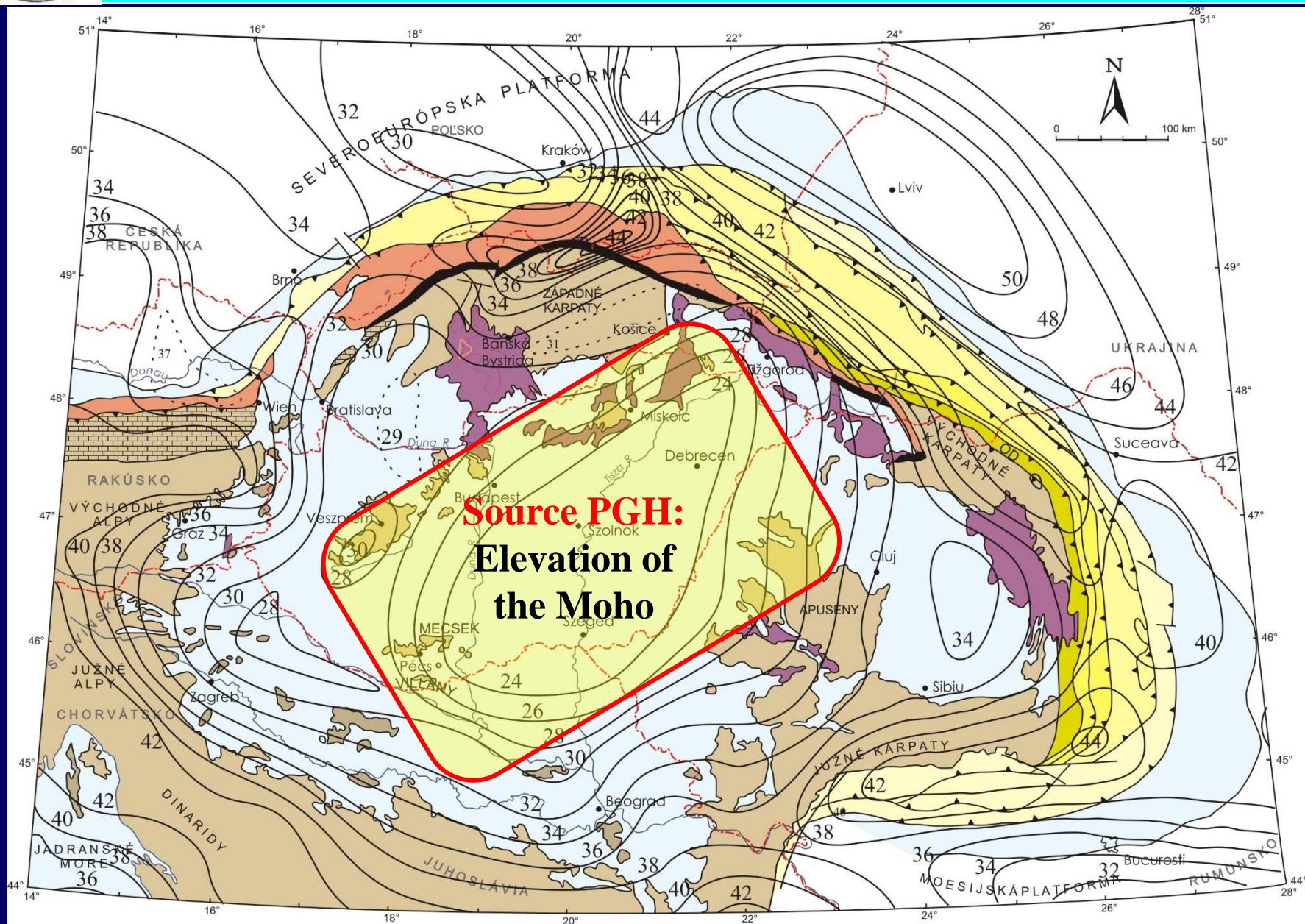


# Bouguer gravity anomaly map





# Moho depth





# 2D INTEGRATED GEOPHYSICAL MODELLING

GOAL

DERMINATION  
THERMAL LITHOSPHERIC STRUCTURE AND THICKNESS



# CAGES software

(Zeyen and Fernandez, 1994)

- Surface heat flow
- Gravity field
- Geoid
- Topography

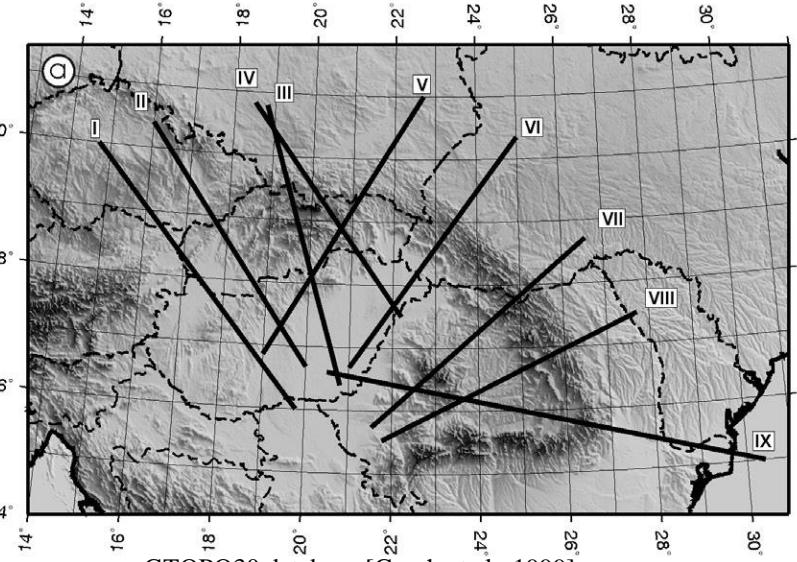
**Anomalous bodies are defined:**

- Heat conductivity [W.m<sup>-1</sup>K<sup>-1</sup>]
- Heat production [W.m<sup>-3</sup>]
- Density [kg.m<sup>-3</sup>]
- Geometry [m]



# Input data

Topography

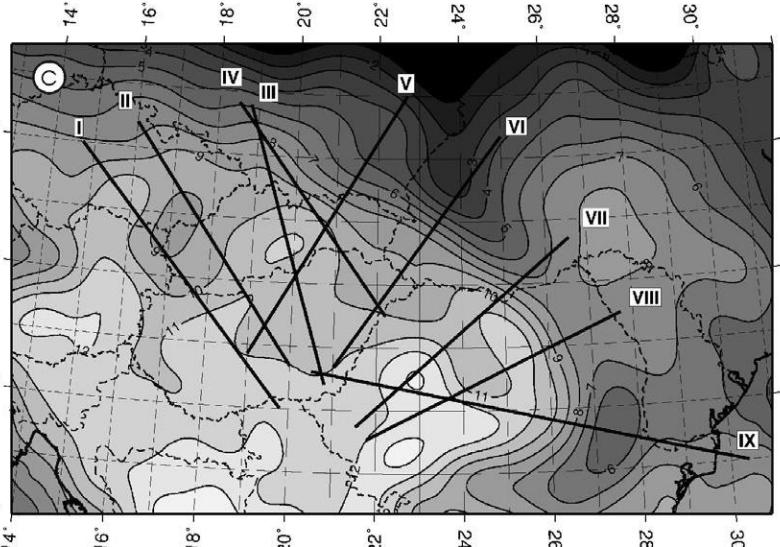


GTOPO30 database [Gesch et al., 1999]

Geoid

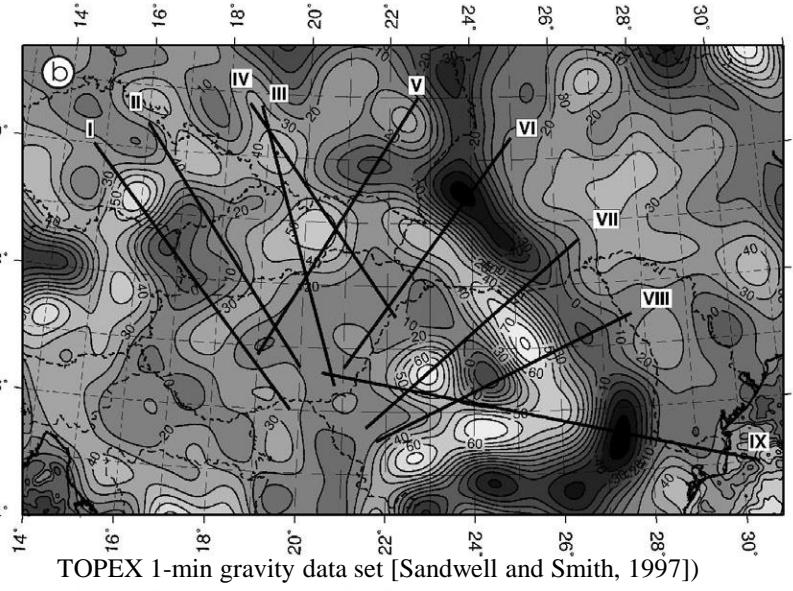
[Lemoine et al., 1998]

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EGM96 global model

Free air gravity



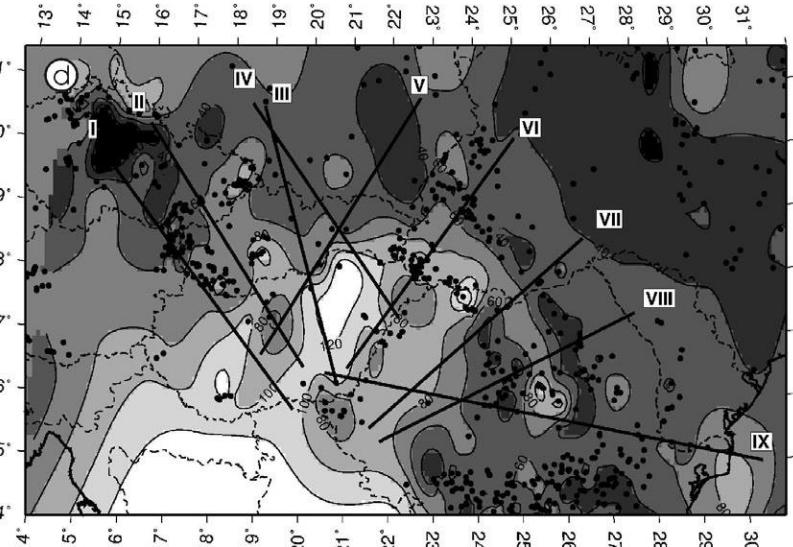
TOPEX 1-min gravity data set [Sandwell and Smith, 1997])

Surface heat flow

Pollack et al. [1993]

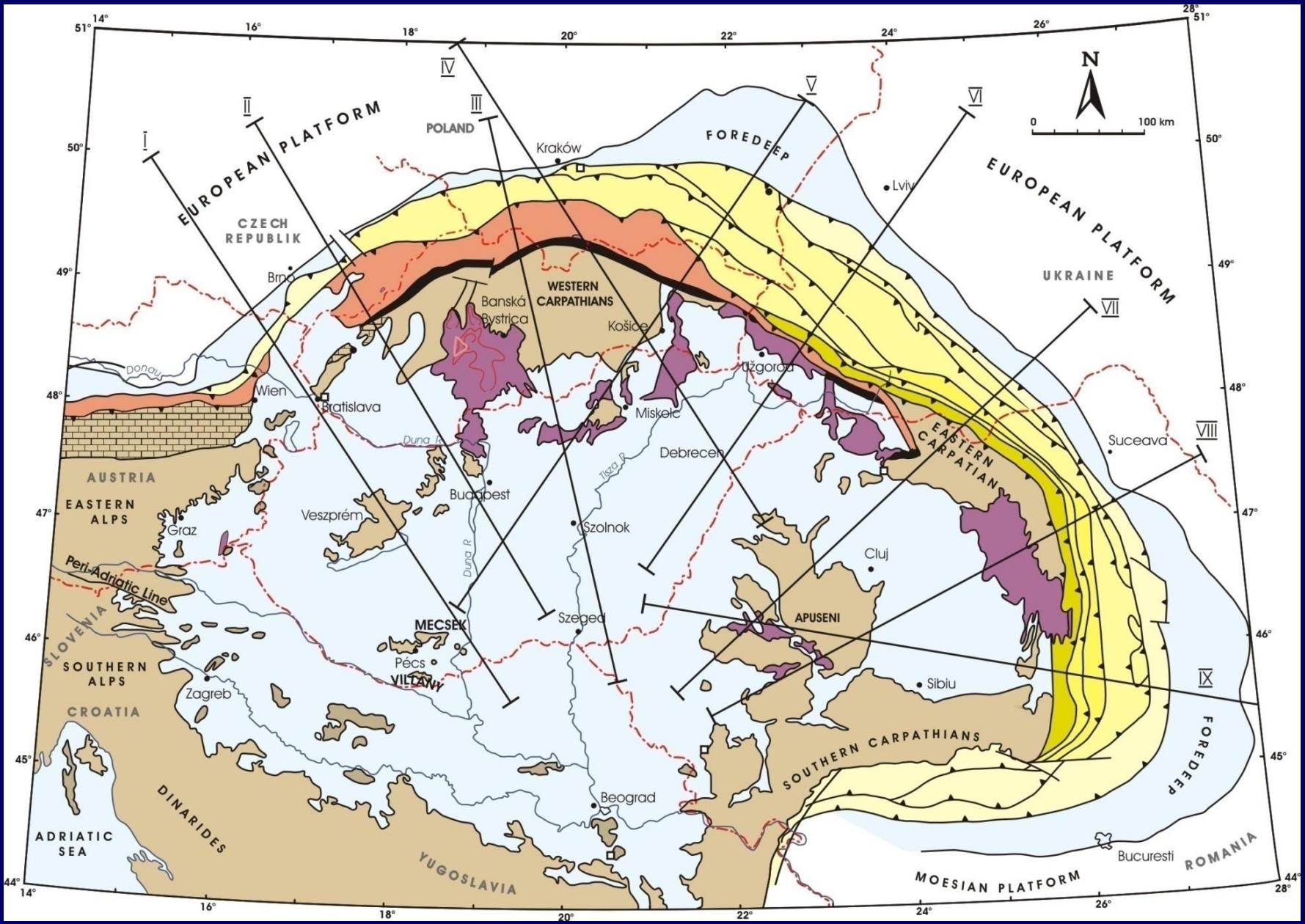
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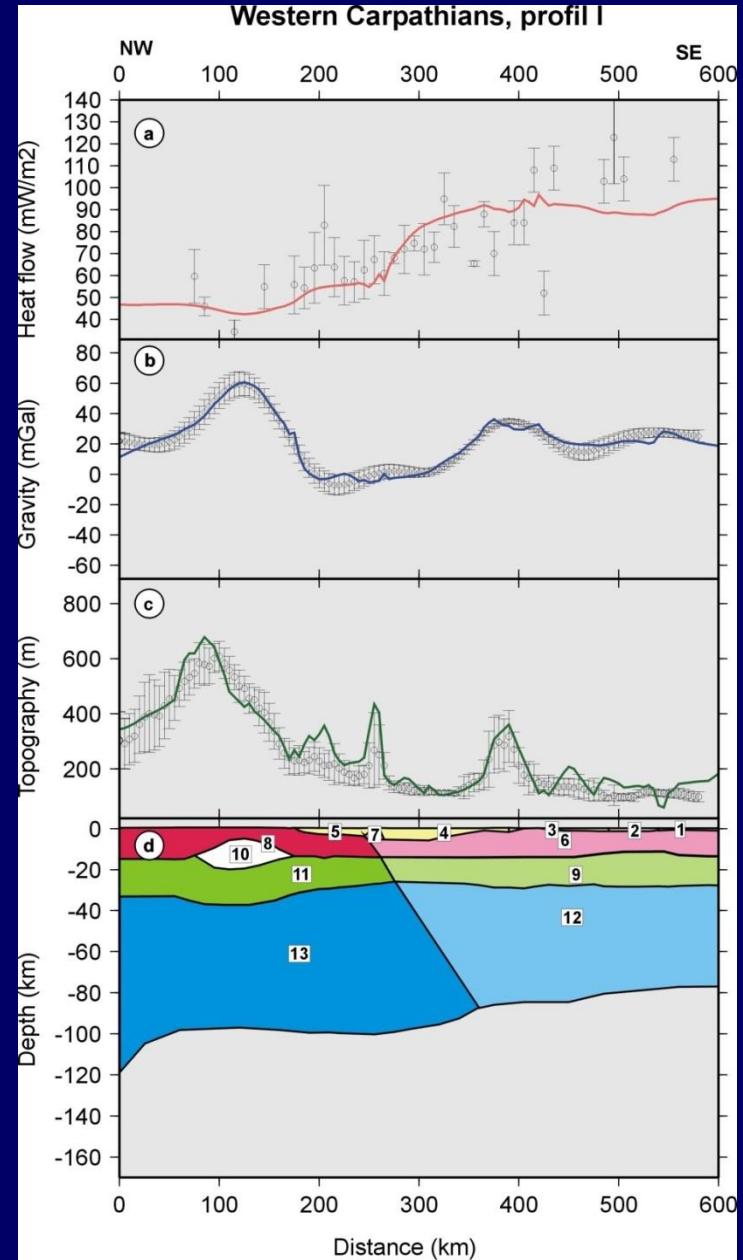
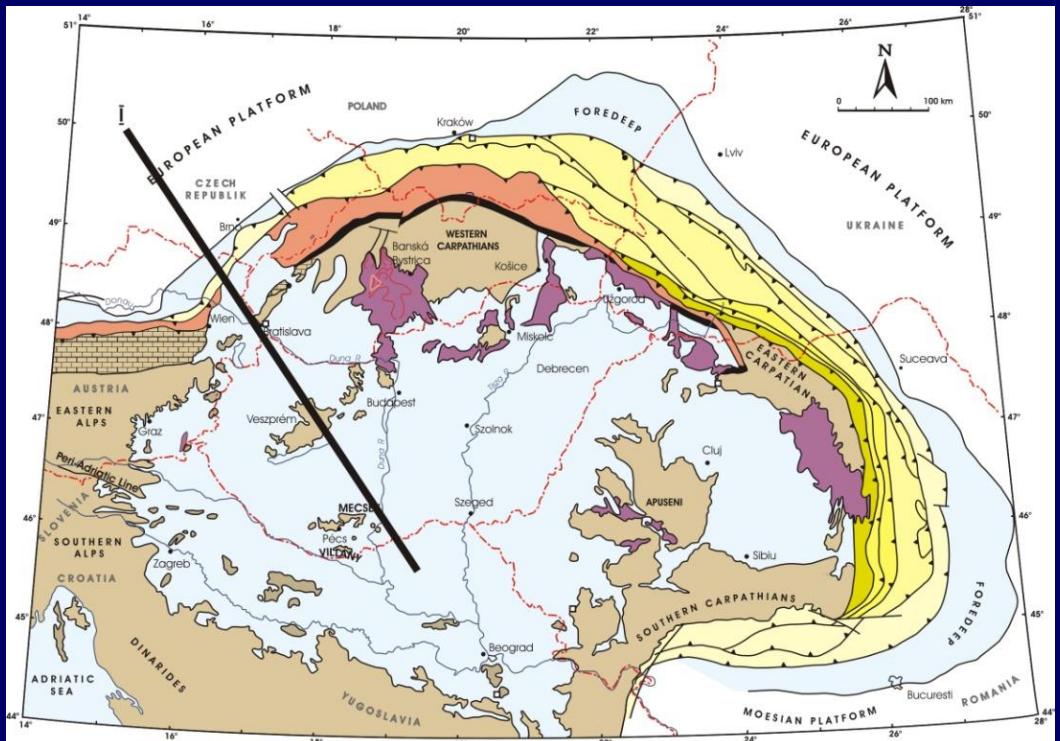


# Profiles location



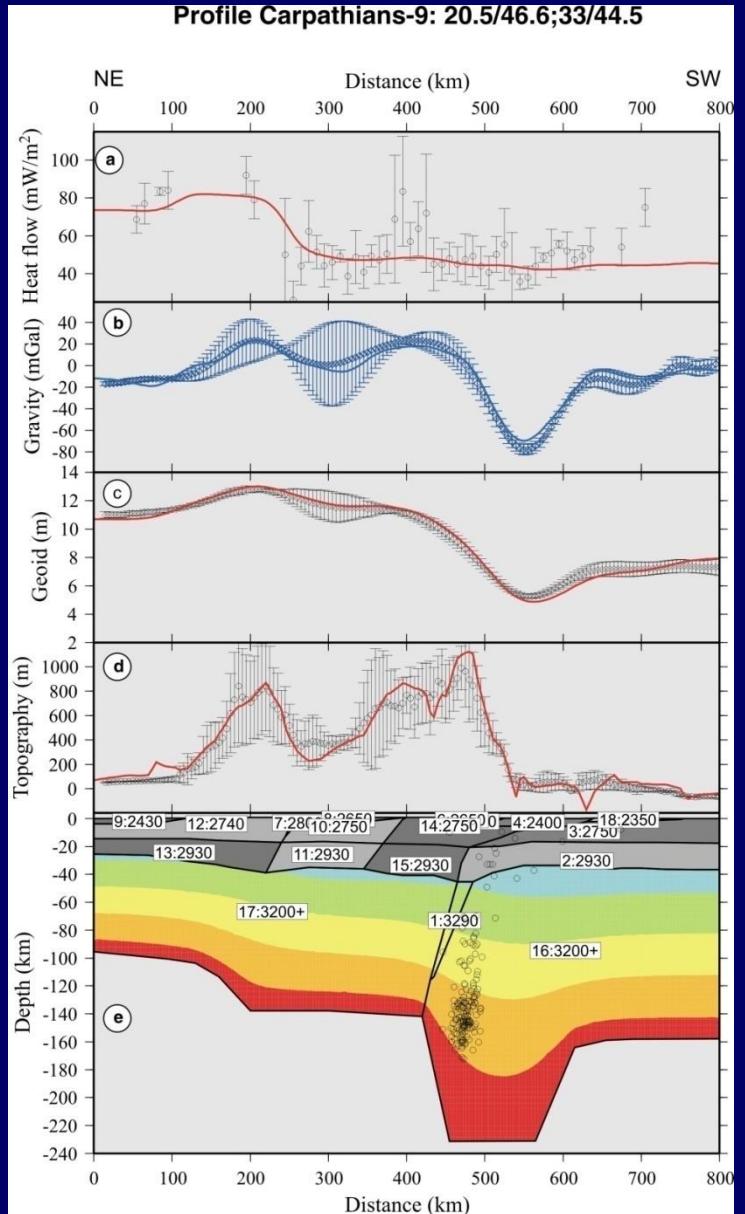
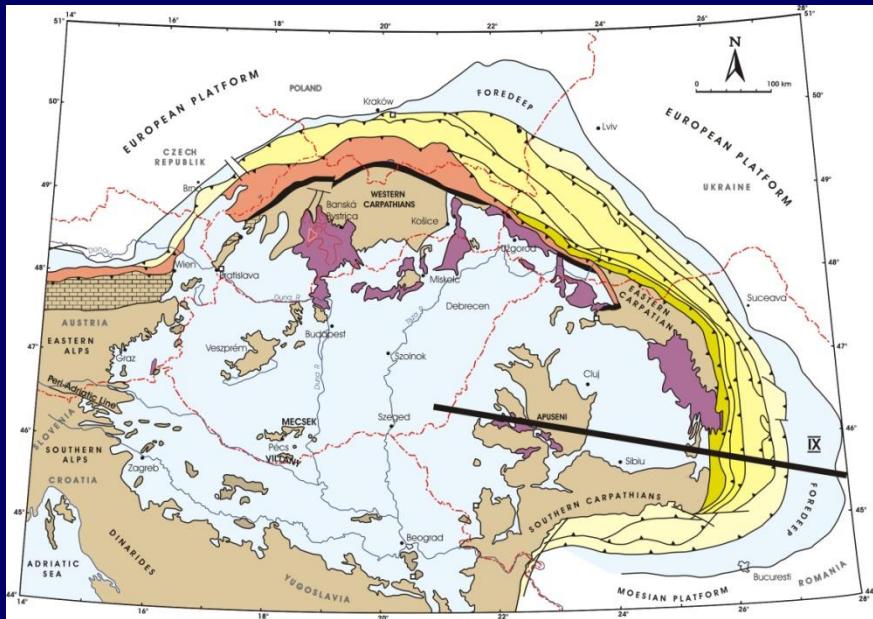


# Profile I



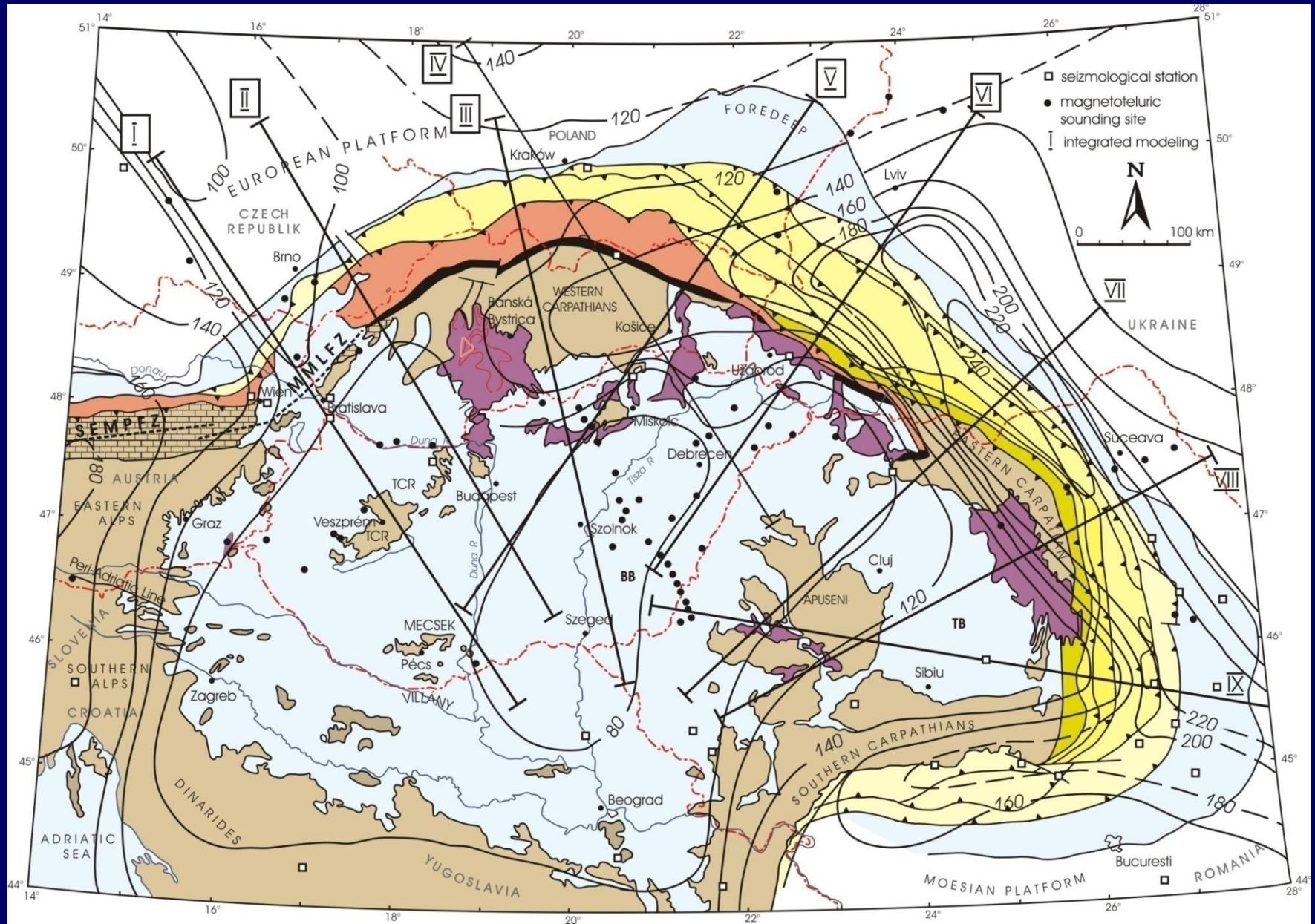


# Profile IX



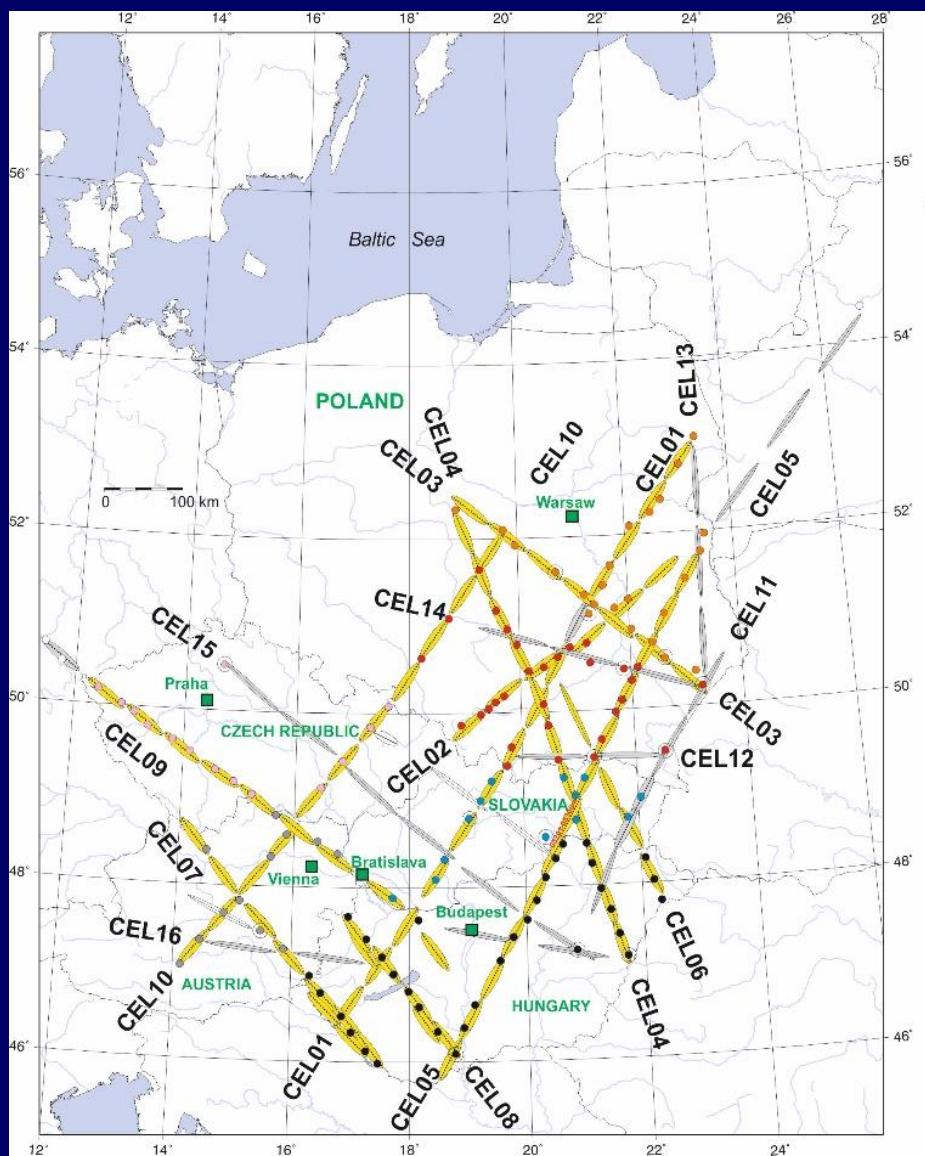


# Map of lithosphere thickness

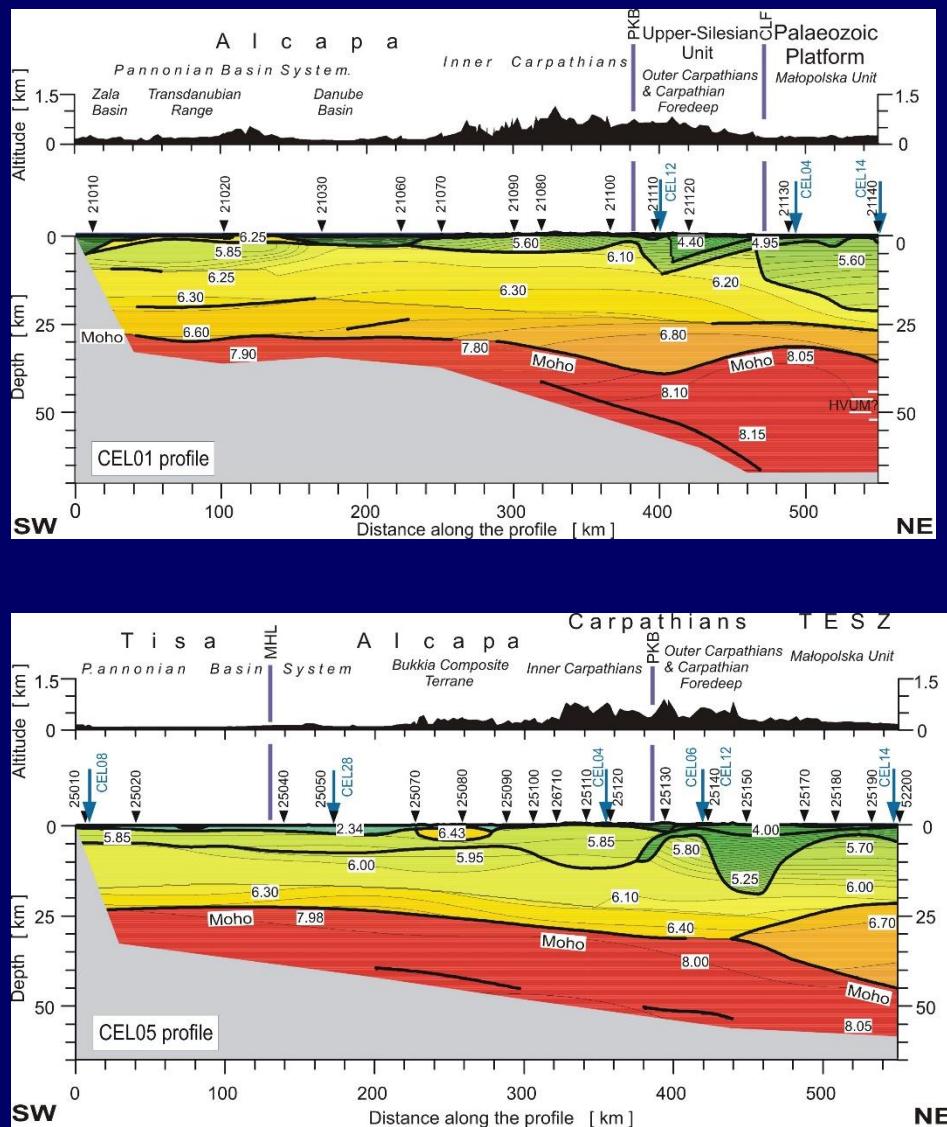




# CELEBRATION 2000 seismic experiment

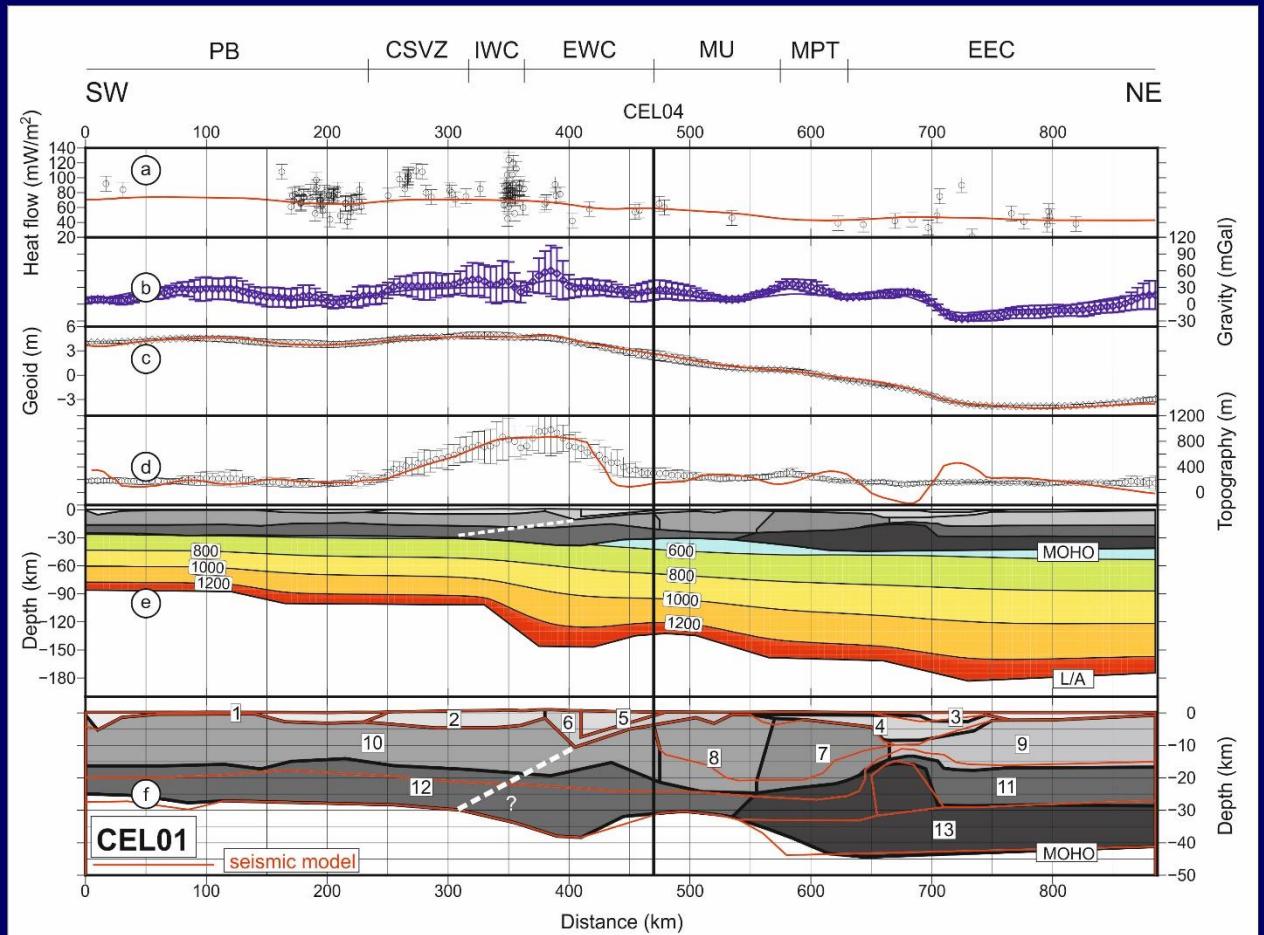
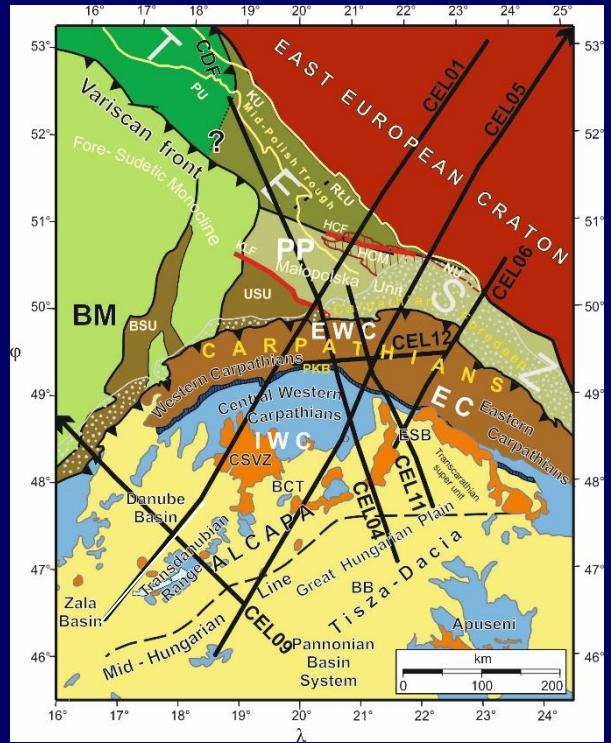


Location of the profiles of the CELEBRATION 2000 experiment  
(modified after Guterch et al. 2003)





# Lithospheric model for profile CEL01

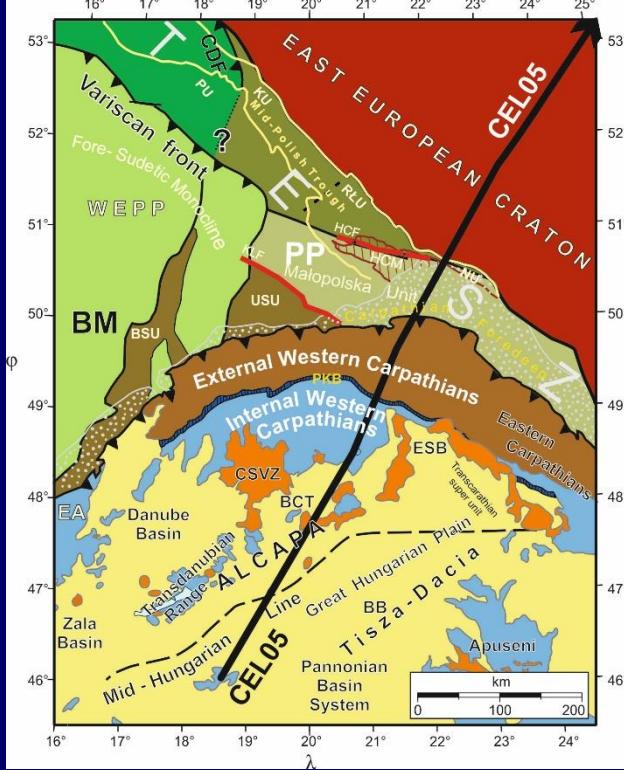


Location of the CELEBRATION 2000 seismic profile CEL01 on the background of geological map of Central Europe

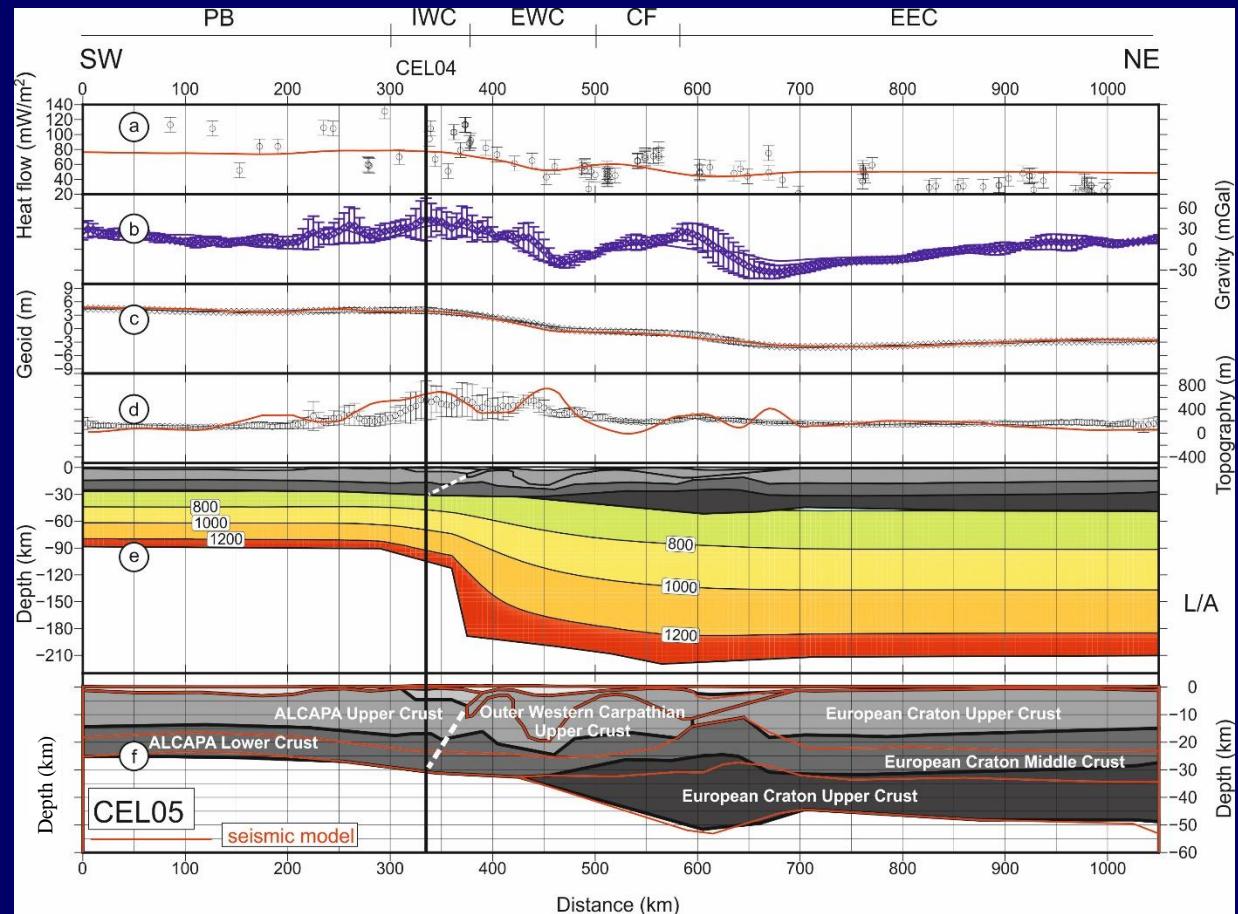
(a) Surface heat flow density, (b) free-air gravity anomaly, (c) geoid, (d) topography with dots corresponding to measured data with uncertainty bars and solid lines for calculated values; (e) lithospheric structure, in the lithospheric mantle, isotherms are indicated every 200 °C; (f) crustal structure. The white dashed line indicates the expected boundary between microplate ALCAPA and European platform.



# Lithospheric model for profile CEL05



Location of the CELEBRATION 2000 seismic profile CEL05 on the background of geological map of Central Europe



(a) Surface heat flow density, (b) free-air gravity anomaly, (c) geoid, (d) topography with dots corresponding to measured data with uncertainty bars and solid lines for calculated values; (e) lithospheric structure, in the lithospheric mantle, isotherms are indicated every 200 °C; (f) crustal structure. The white dashed line indicates the expected boundary between microplate ALCAPA and European platform.



# 3D INTEGRATED GEOPHYSICAL MODELLING



# Lit Mod software

Finite difference method

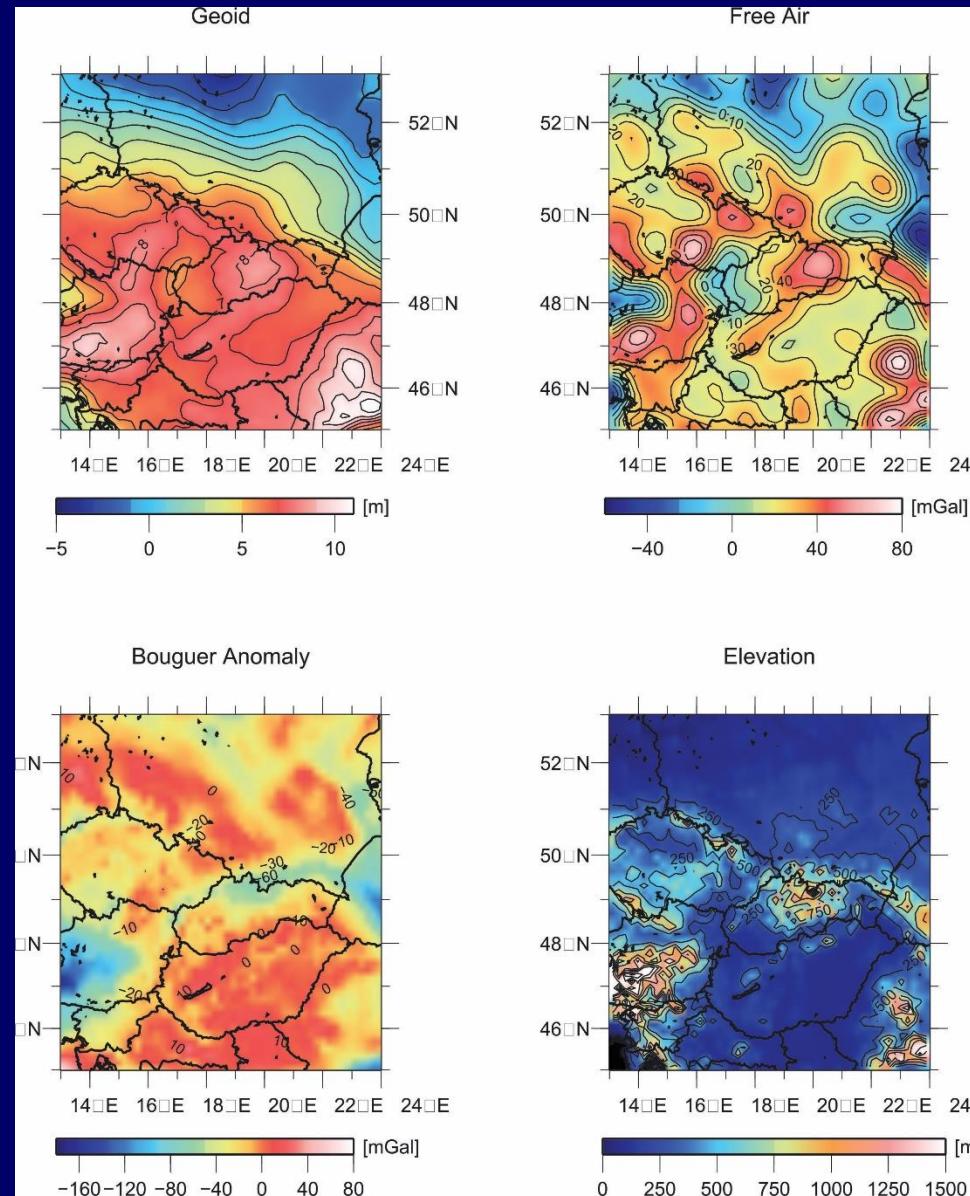
Numerical implementations are given by  
**AFONSO ET AL. 2008 and FULLEA ET AL. 2009**

combining a geophysical, geological and upper mantle petrological data  
is capable to study both  
**the crust and the lower lithosphere**



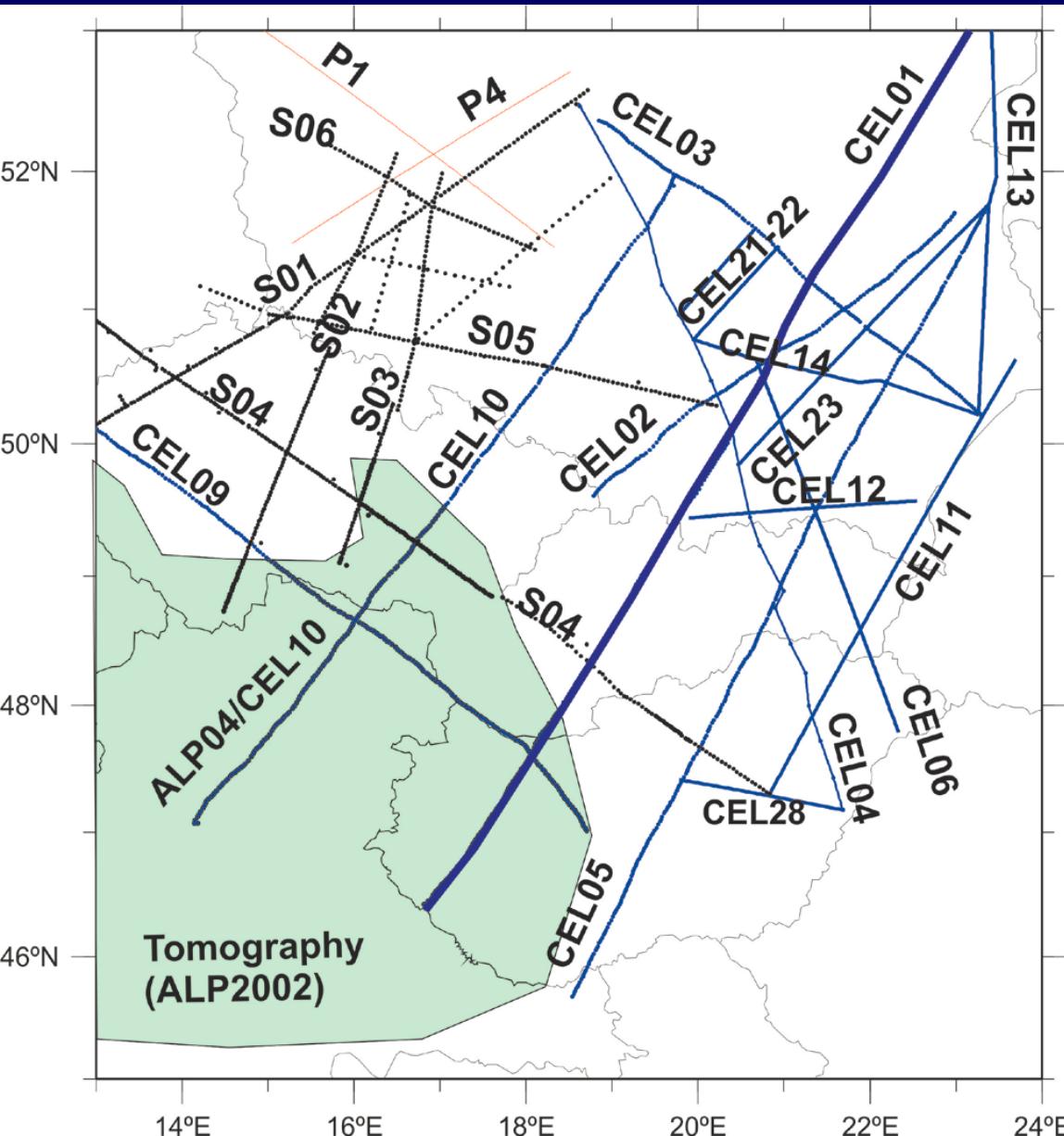
# 3D integrated geophysical modelling

## Input data





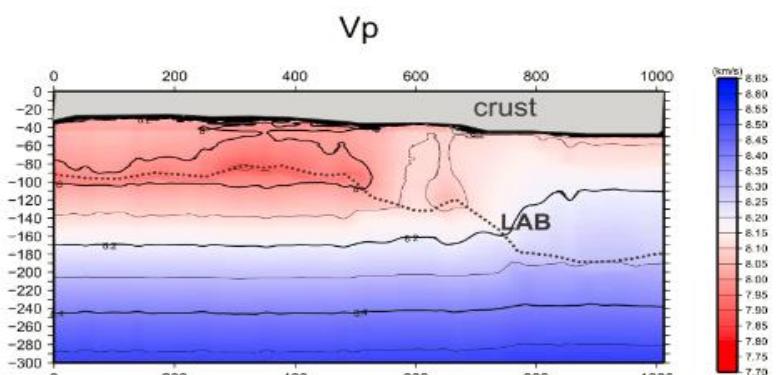
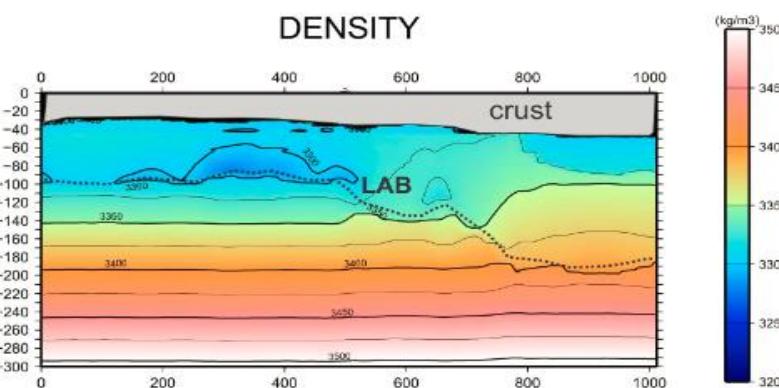
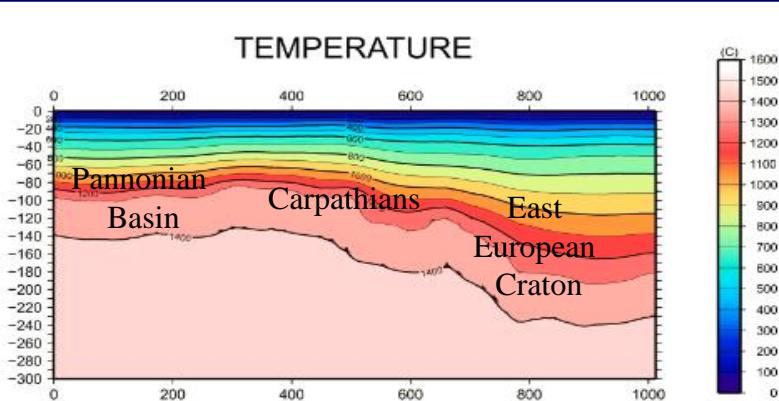
## 3D integrated geophysical modelling



**Robust model is based on  
the results of the seismic  
projects**

- POLONAISE 97
- CELEBRATION 2000
- ALPS 2002
- SUDETES 2003

Seismic study includes 18 000  
profile km in total



# Profile CEL01

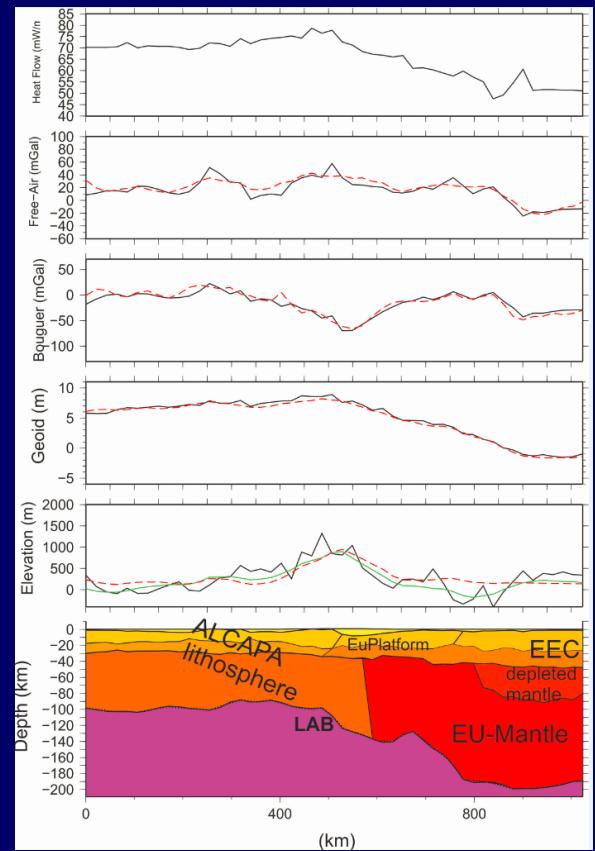
Distribution of:

- Temperature
- Density
- Seismic velocity

in Lower Lithosphere and  
Asthenosphere



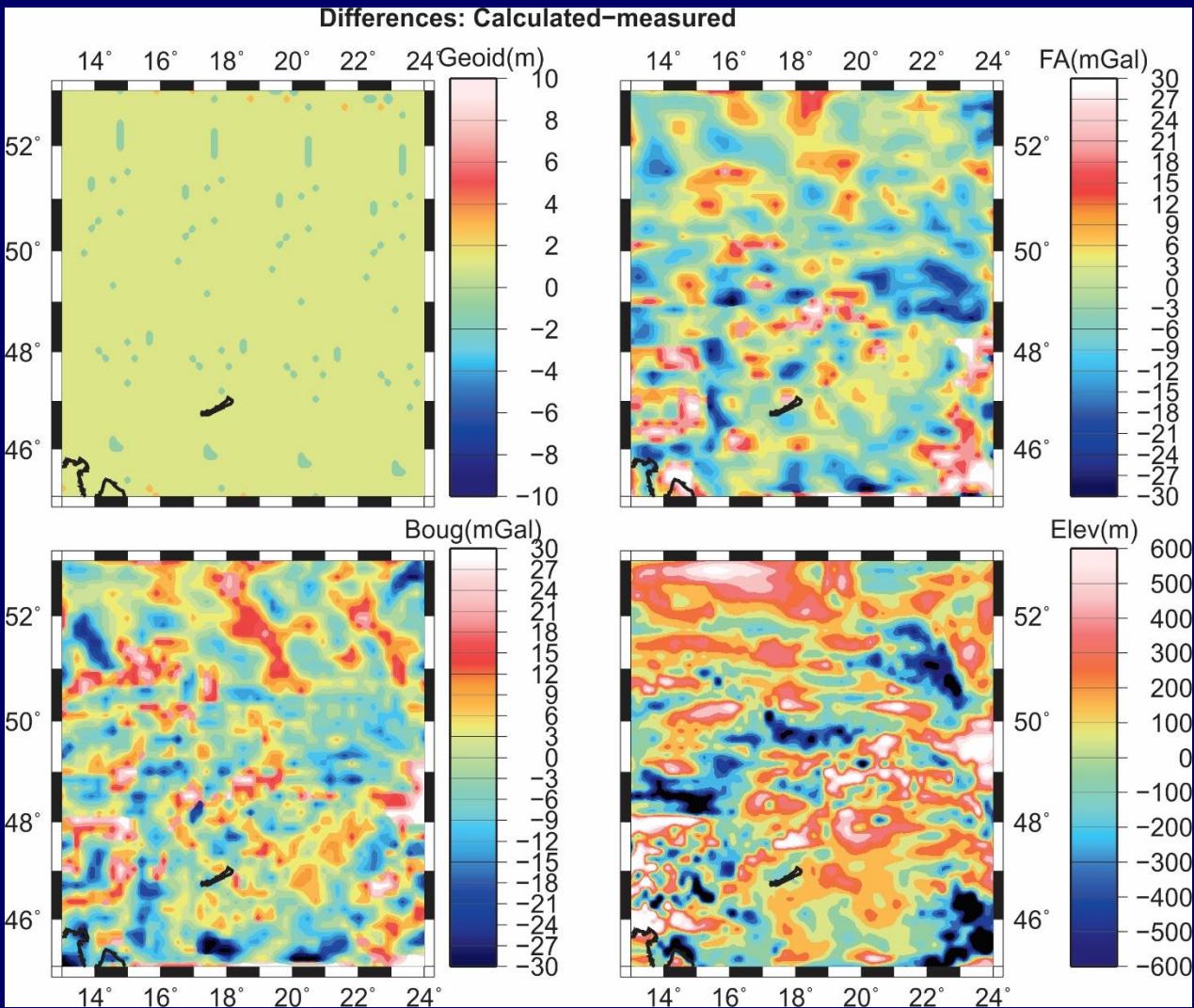
# 3D INTEGRATED GEOPHYSICAL MODELLING



**Profile CEL01**  
**Geophysical model of the**  
**lithosphere**

- Fit to the observed and modeled data

Fit to the observed and modeled data for the studied area

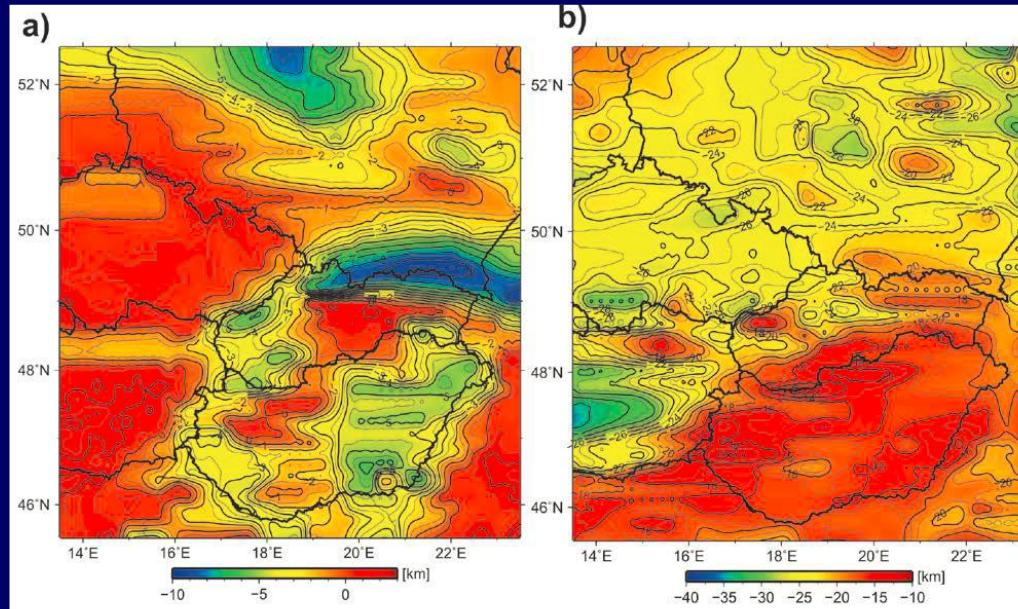




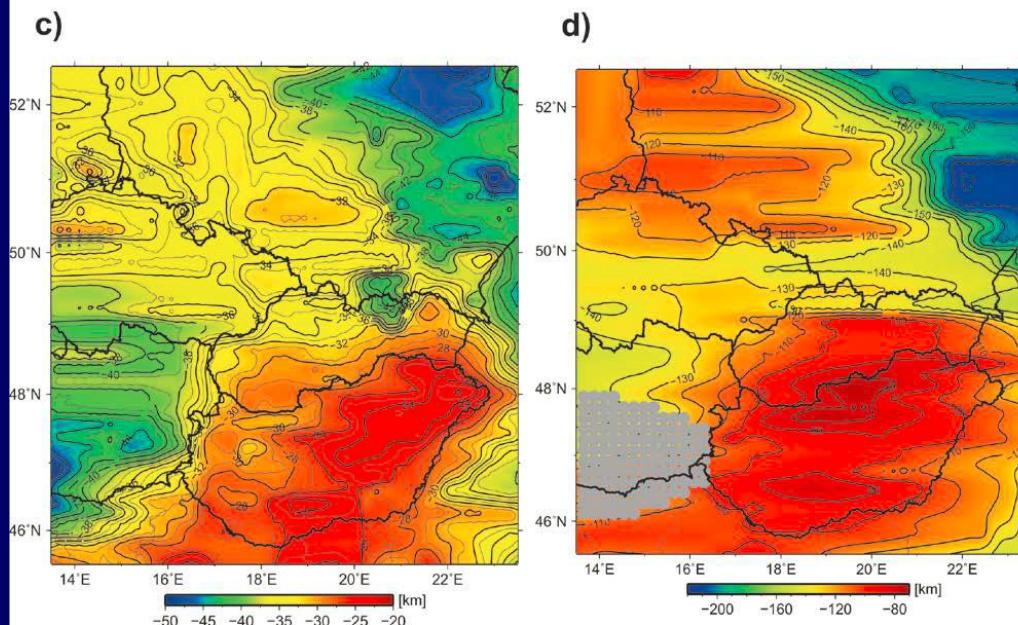
# 3D integrated geophysical modelling



Sediment thickness



Moho depth



Depth of the boundary between upper and lower crust

LAB depth



# 3D integrated geophysical modelling



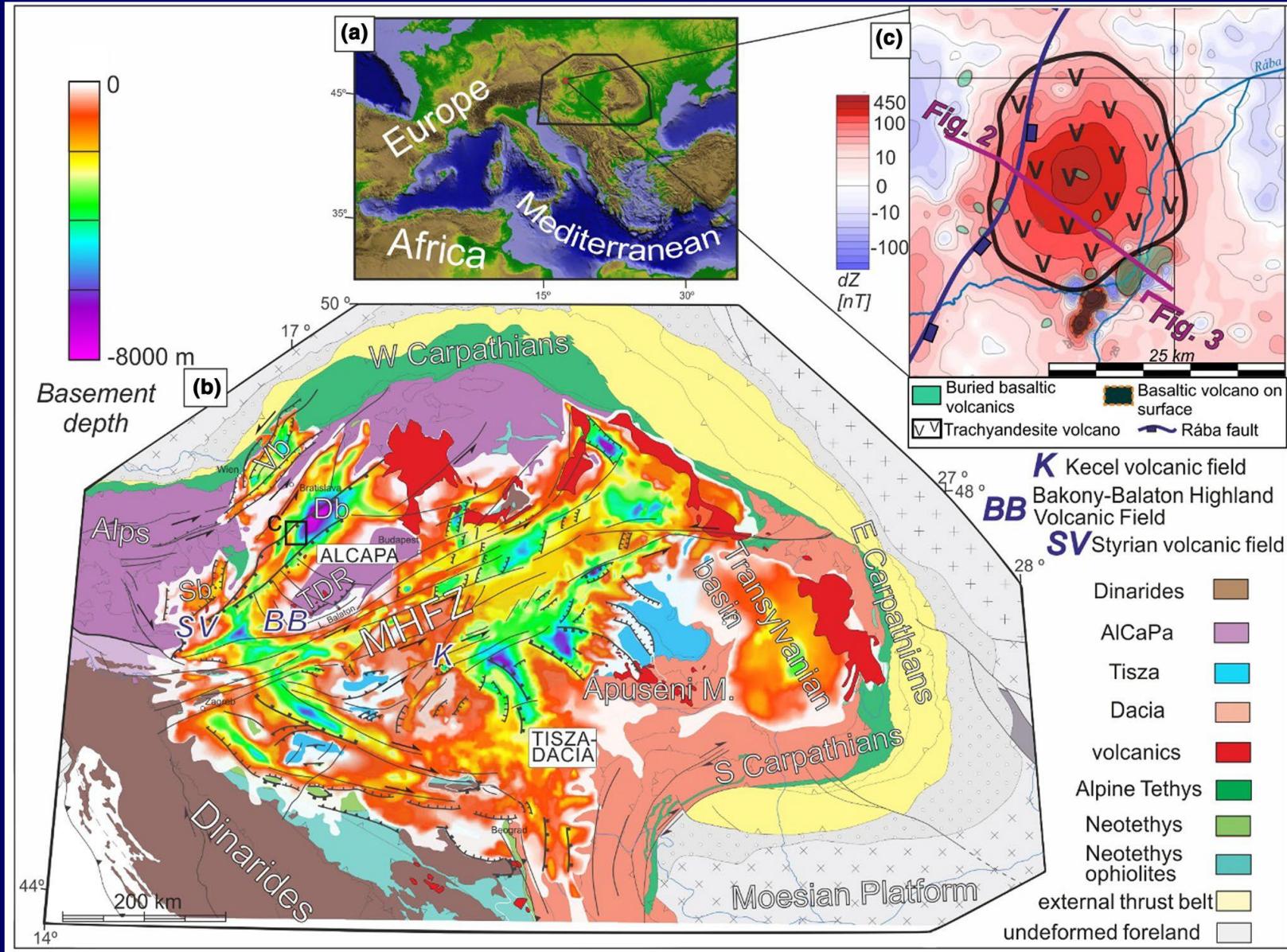
# IGMAS+

**3D interdisciplinary modelling approach**

given by  
Schmidt et al. (2015) and Götze (2014)



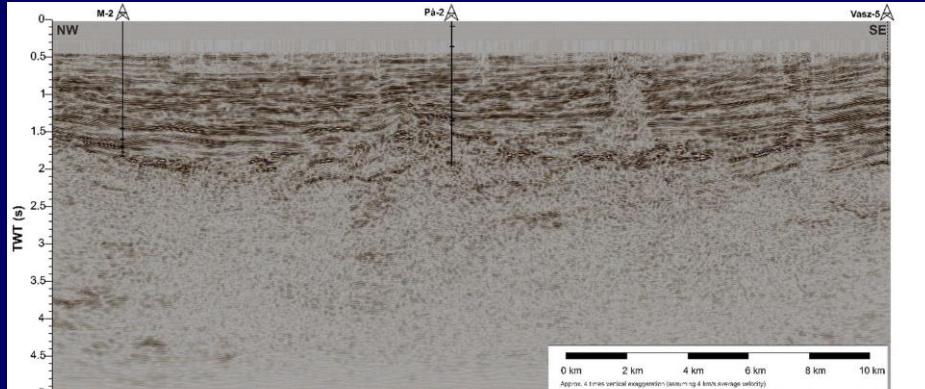
# 3D integrated geophysical modelling of the Pásztori volcano in the Danube Basin



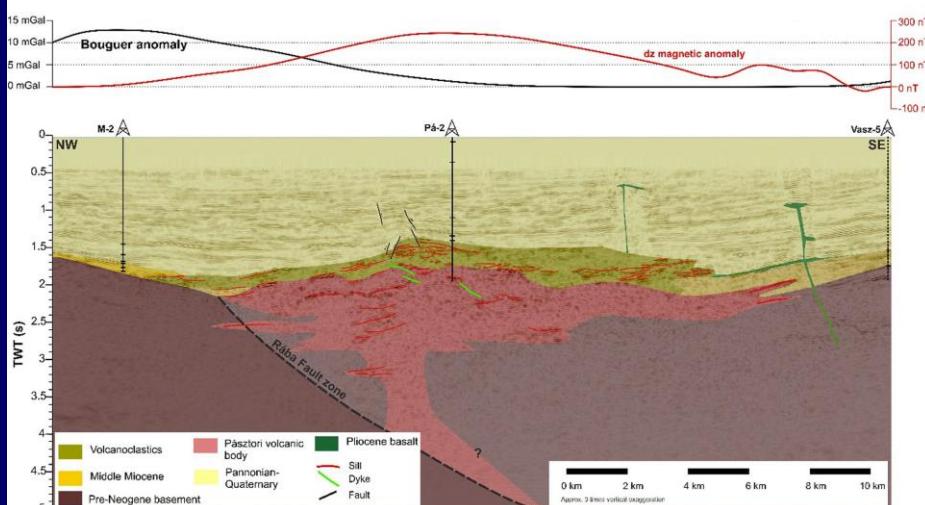


# 3D integrated geophysical modelling

Reflection seismic transect calibrated by well data from the southern part of the Danube Basin



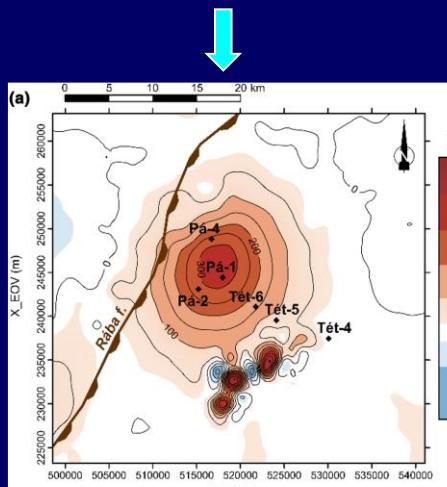
Low Bouguer gravity but high magnetic anomalies above the Pásztori volcano



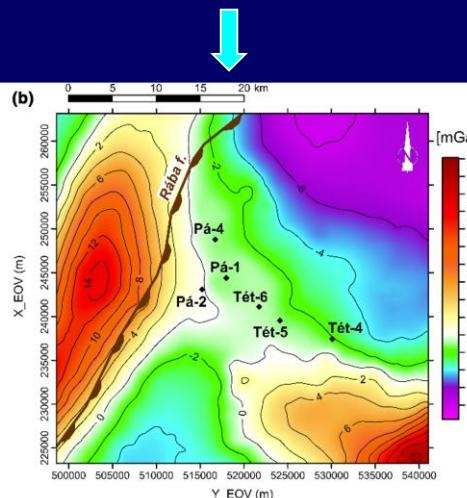


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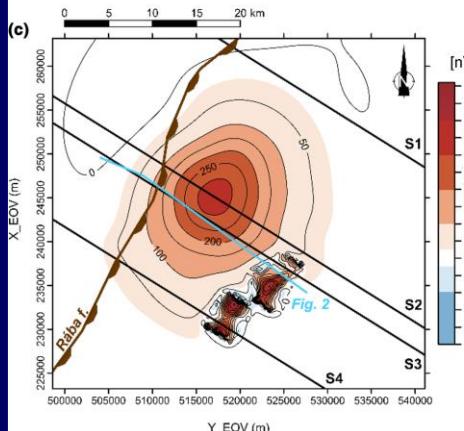
Observed magnetic field  
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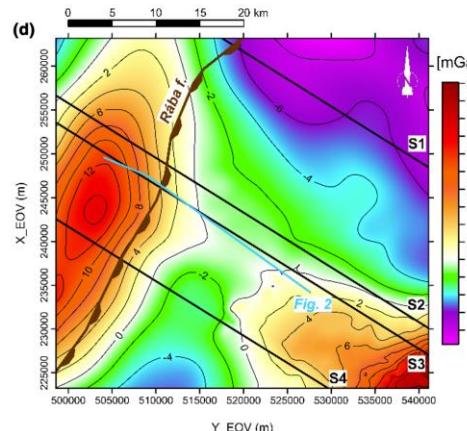
Observed gravity field  
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Calculated magnetic field  
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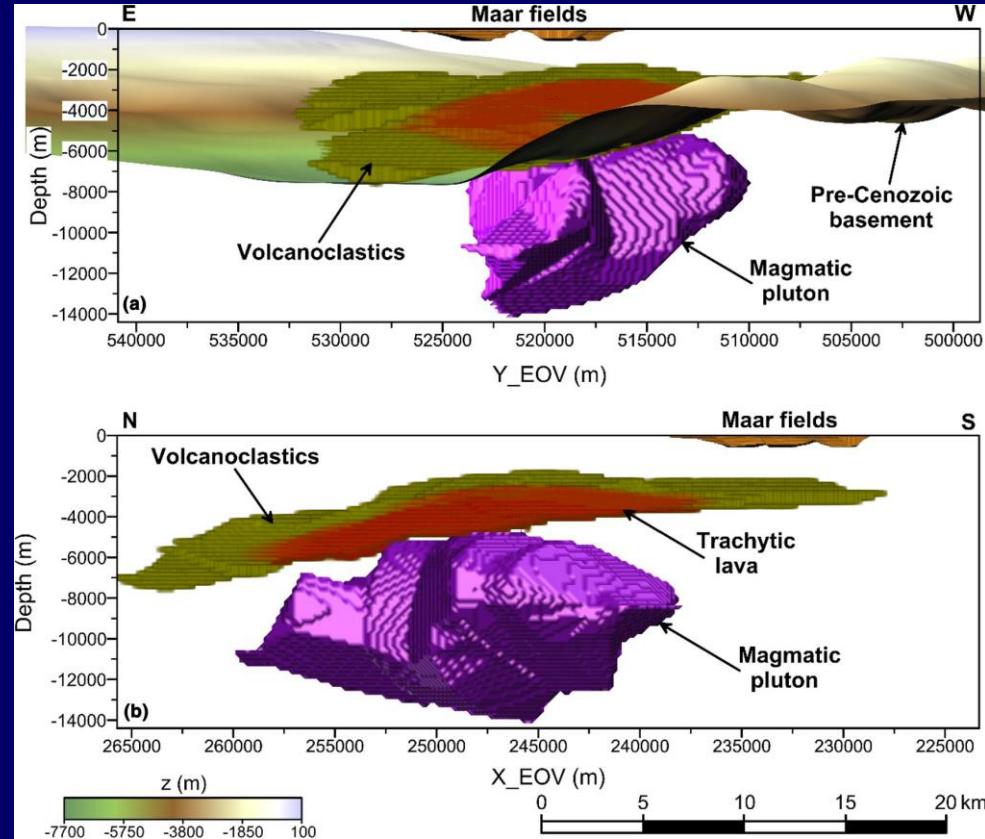
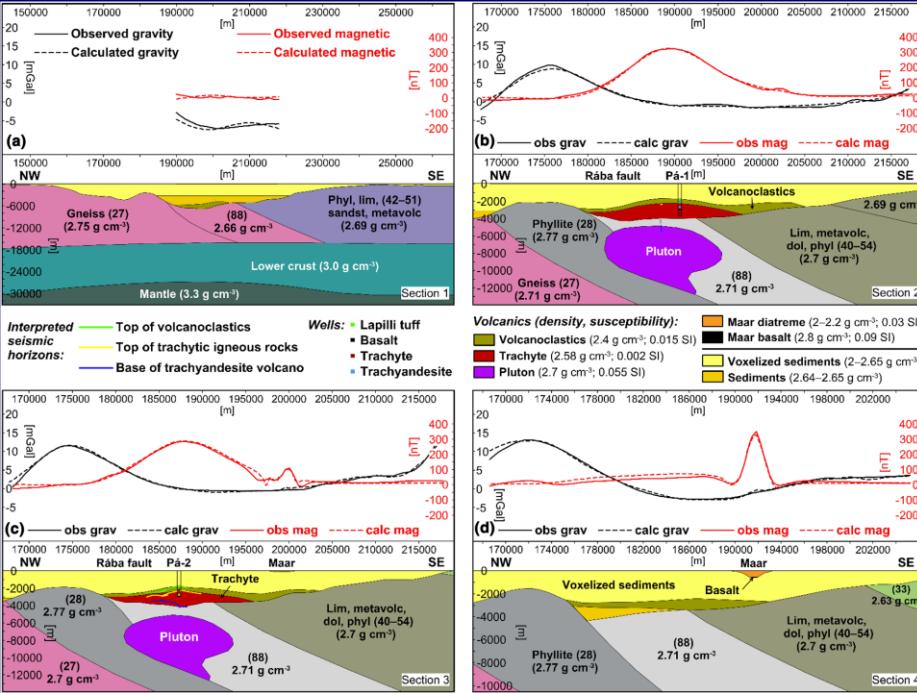


Calculated gravity field  
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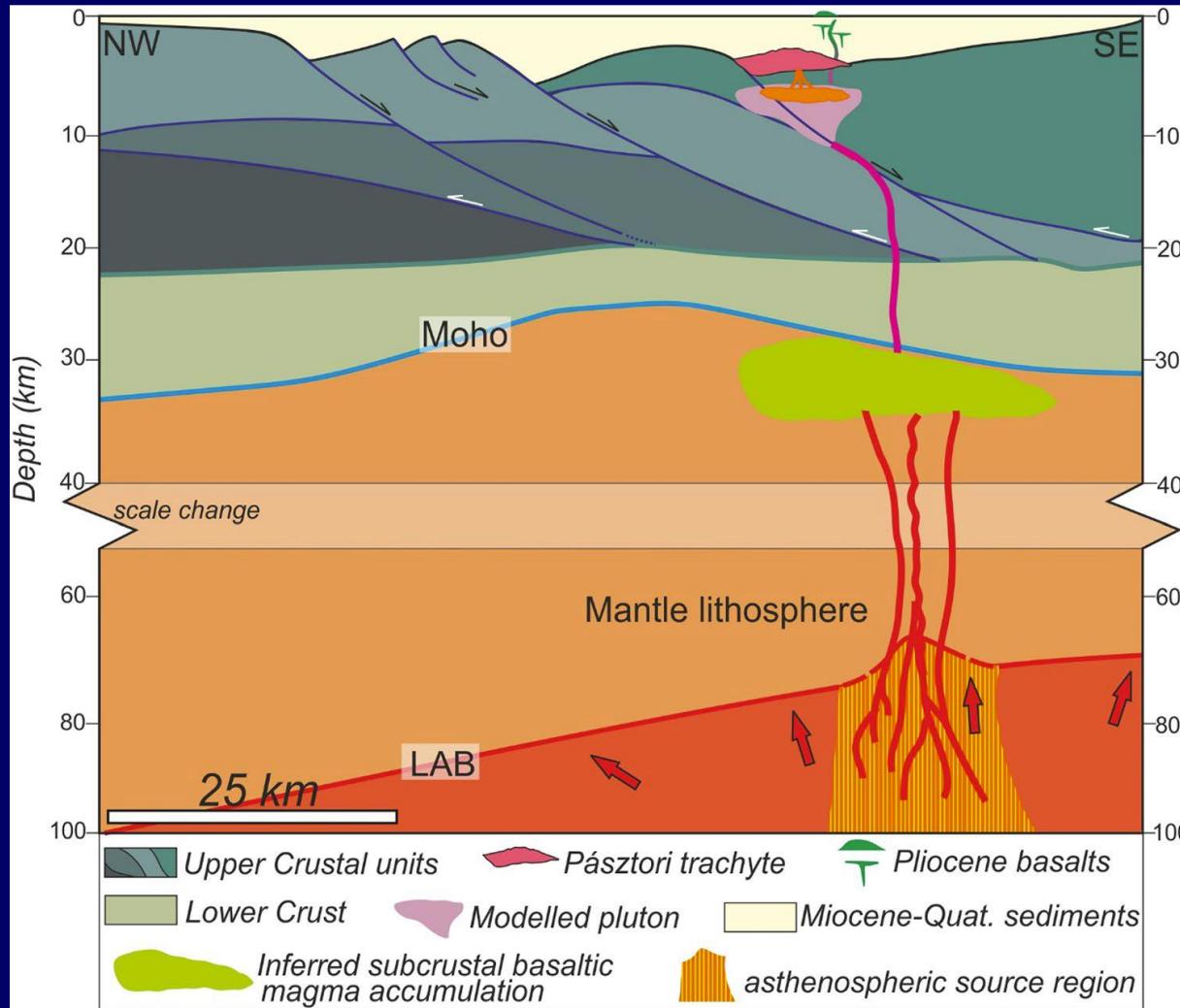


Four selected cross sections of the final Pásztori model

3D geophysical model of the Pásztori volcano: north view (a) and west view (b)



# 3D integrated geophysical modelling



Simplified sketch showing the asthenospheric sourced volcanism in the Little Hungarian Plain Volcanic Field

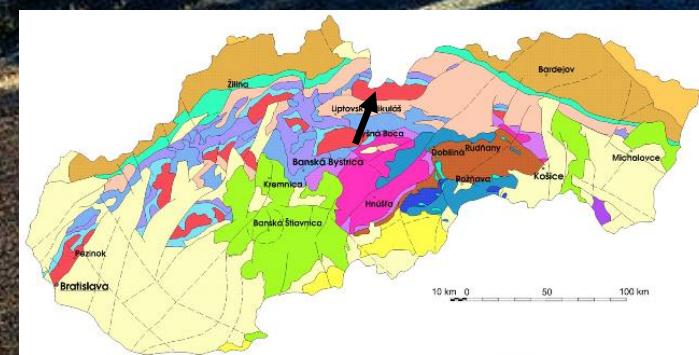
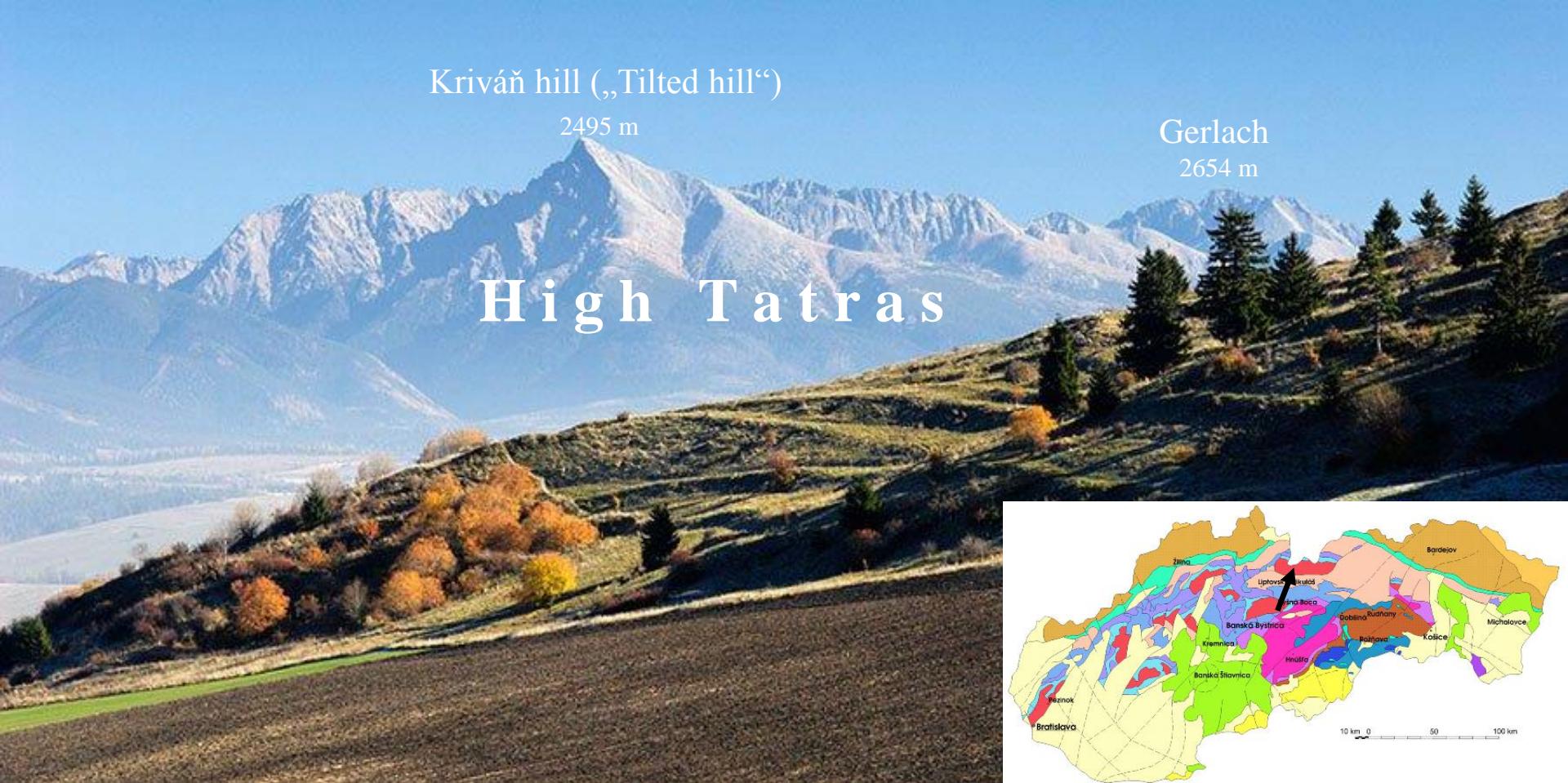
Kriváň hill („Tilted hill“)

2495 m

Gerlach

2654 m

# High Tatras

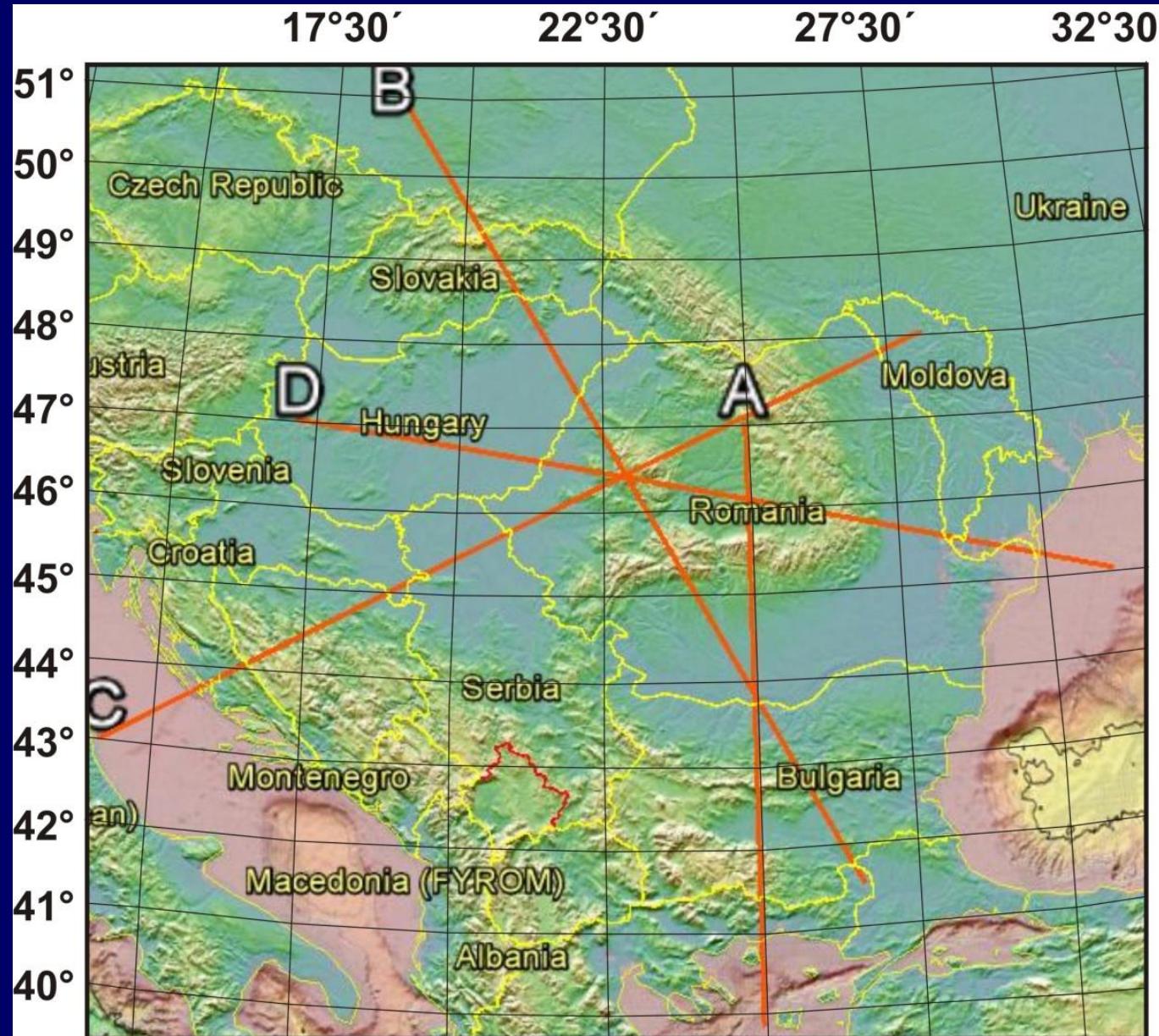


**Thank you for your attention**  
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**Baron Roland von Eötvös**



# Central european lithospheric transects

Location of 2-D  
transects





# Lithospheric model for transect C

