



ABSTRACT Late Precambrian rocks of the Jabal Zain quadrangle comprise two distinct terranes separated by a broad cataclastic zone that formed during latest Precambrian Najd strike-slip faulting. Only minor gold-silver prospects have been located in the quadrangle, and the potential for larger deposits is considered low.

North of the Najd fault zone, remnants of amphibolite-grade metamorphic rocks (Halaban(?) group) and quartz diorite, tonalite, and trondhjemite are unconformably overlain by a 3- to 5-km-thick unit of conglomerate, arkose, and intermediate volcanic rocks of the Zain formation (Muradama group). The Zain appears to be conformably overlain by more intensely deformed metabasalt and immature sedimentary rock of the Masamah formation. Southwest of the Najd fault zone, the Muradama group contains immature fine-grained graywacke and minor flows (Hoforo formation) and more mature arkose and conglomerate (Al Qhadiyah formation). The Yafikh formation of calcareous sedimentary rock and marble is confined to the Najd fault zone, and its stratigraphic context in this quadrangle is unclear.

Abundant post-Muradama plutonic rocks consist of small bodies of gabbro and diorite, and an expansive compound batholith of granodiorite-granite, and discrete ovoid plutons of leucocratic granite.

Cataclastic rocks in the Najd fault zone contain variable granitoid gneiss that may have been formed from diapirically emplaced pre-Muradama plutonic basement rocks.

SUMMARY OF GEOLOGY The quadrangle contains sedimentary and volcanic strata of the Muradama group several thousand meters thick that rest unconformably on quartz diorite basement and on isolated remnants of an older layered sequence believed to belong to the Halaban group. The lowermost few thousand meters of Muradama strata (Zain formation) is largely arkosic sandstone derived from a continental source. The arkosic sequence passes upward into a few thousand-meter-thick sequence of basaltic volcanic rock and quartz-poor graywacke sandstone (Masamah formation). The original thickness and stratigraphic context of this basaltic unit are unknown because it is tightly folded and abuts a major fault zone. The terrane southwest of the broad fault zone, in which calcareous sediments of the Yafikh formation are confined, consists of tightly folded quartz-rich graywacke sandstone a few thousand meters thick containing a few thin layers of dacite and basalt (Hoforo formation). Source terrane for the graywacke sandstone was mostly of intermediate composition. The Al Qhadiyah formation rests unconformably on folded Hoforo formation, although it is still considered to belong to the Muradama group on the basis of lithologic similarity. The age of the Yafikh formation relative to that of adjacent Muradama rocks within the quadrangle could not be determined because contacts are not exposed or are faulted. In adjoining quadrangles (Hadley, 1976; Schmidt, 1976a; Kelllogg, unpublished), the authors concluded that the Yafikh is most likely the youngest unit of the Muradama.

Muradama and older rocks are folded along northwest-trending axes and are regionally metamorphosed throughout to lower greenschist facies. The quartz diorite, tonalite, and trondhjemite rocks beneath the Muradama appear to have been deformed and metamorphosed to about the same grade as the Muradama. In contrast, Halaban(?) rocks have been regionally metamorphosed to lower amphibolite facies throughout and, therefore, are considered to be the oldest rocks in the quadrangle. Relative ages of the major rock units are based in part on the degree of deformation and metamorphism and in part on comparison with more clearly constrained units of similar character and composition elsewhere in the eastern shield (Schmidt, 1976a; Kelllogg, 1976b). Many small bodies of hornblende diorite and gabbro have intruded Muradama rocks and, because they are generally less deformed and less altered than the units described above, they are believed to have been emplaced during the waning stages of regional deformation and greenschist-facies metamorphism.

Large volumes of posttectonic granite and granodiorite intruded the Muradama and its primitive basement following the compressional orogeny. These granitic rocks form three large plutons, which constitute most of the bedrock in the eastern half of the quadrangle. The plutons are components of a very large, compound batholith that extends far beyond the eastern and northern boundaries of the quadrangle. A thick chilled zone formed at the margin of the youngest of these three plutons during intrusion into the relatively cool tonalite host.

Subsequent deformation during the "Najd tectonic event" generated numerous northwest-trending faults with left-lateral displacement that coalesce in the Jabal Zain quadrangle into a broad zone of intense cataclasis. This 8- to 10-km-wide zone contains four parallel major faults characterized by mylonite zones that range in thickness from a few tens of meters to more than a hundred meters. The two border faults have large vertical components of displacement as indicated by the preservation of the large block of Yafikh rocks below its expected structural position; however, the greater displacement along the zone was horizontal. Farther north along this fault zone, Brown (1972) calculated a probable left-lateral offset of approximately 125 km. Near the southern boundary of the quadrangle, metamorphic rocks of upper amphibolite facies are typical; these include rocks mapped as Yafikh formation as well as granitic gneiss and amphibolite (probably pre-Muradama basement) that may have risen diapirically during cataclasis (Schmidt, in press). Syntectonic and posttectonic granitic rocks are common in the core area of the fault zone as small plugs, sills, and dikes.

A younger and final episode of plutonic activity in this part of the shield is characterized by mafic to felsic dikes having hypabyssal texture. The rocks intruded west- and southwest-trending, antithetic fractures after Najd-age fault movement ceased, and they apparently constitute a calc-alkaline suite ranging in composition from basalt to alkali granite. Abundant quartz veins within the faults and fractures at about this time, most of which appear barren, but a few small veins that contain anomalous concentrations of precious metals may be related to this period of silicification.

DESCRIPTION OF MAP UNITS LAYERED ROCKS Qal ALUVIUM--Unconsolidated and slightly consolidated sand and gravel; near-surface material mixed with eolian sand; surface material includes partially consolidated sand and gravel. Qed DUNE SAND--Pale-tan, fine- to medium-grained, unconsolidated eolian sand, mostly quartz with few percent feldspar; forms west-trending self dunes in southern half of quadrangle; since 1950 (Aerial photography) some dunes have enlarged by approximately 25 percent, and dune fronts have migrated 1 to 3 km eastward. Of ALLUVIAL FAN--Coarse, angular rock debris; forms extensive apron of coalescing fans along western flank of Jabal Ibra Qubrah; maximum thickness of deposit 30 to 40 m. WJID WJID SANDSTONE--Reddish-brown, medium-grained arkosic sandstone and quartz-pebble conglomerate; poorly exposed in southeastern corner of quadrangle; conglomerate overlaps Precambrian basement rocks, almost all pebbles polished white quartz; matrix is red ironstone and red sandy limestone; sandstone is thin-bedded, iron-rich matrix is dark-red-brown. MURADAMA GROUP AL QHADIYAH FORMATION--Greenish-gray sandstone (graywacke) with subconchoidal fracture containing well-sorted angular grains of quartz, feldspar, hornblende, biotite, pyroxene, and magnetite and a wide variety of dark volcanic rock fragments in slightly metamorphosed matrix of chlorite, epidote, sericite, and opaque granules; mostly fine- to medium-grained (rarely coarse), and contains a basal boulder conglomerate (0000) and a few thin basaltic flows. High-angle unconformity marks contact with rocks of underlying Hoforo formation, which is finer grained and contains fewer volcanic rock fragments; assigned to Muradama group in adjacent Jabal Yafikh quadrangle (Schmidt, in press). HOFORO FORMATION--Greenish-gray to green graywacke, siltstone, very fine to fine-grained quartzite, sandstone; rare coarse sandstone beds; conglomerate layers (0000) generally less than 10 m thick; gray dacite porphyry flow rock exposed near southeastern margin of unit; graywacke appears to be mostly thick bedded but thin lamellar beds fairly common. Lamellar crossbedding also fairly common; sandstone and siltstone mostly contain very well sorted, angular grains of quartz, plagioclase, magnetite, and basaltic rock debris in a matrix of chlorite, epidote, calcite, and magnetite; quartz typically 15 to 25 percent and plagioclase 40 to 60 percent, sparse microcline in some samples; conglomerate (graywacke matrix) includes rounded cobbles of basalt, andesite, and dacite, plus angular clasts of dark, very fine grained, cherty siltstone; conglomerate also contains subrounded rounded cobbles of granite, granodiorite, and quartz diorite, and sparse white quartz pebbles. Hoforo is tightly folded and subvertical, and typically contains low-grade (greenschist) metamorphic chlorite and epidote; detrital plagioclase and intensely saussuritized. Defined and correlated with Muradama group in adjacent Jabal Jasir' quadrangle (Kelllogg, 1982a).

YAFIKH FORMATION--Mostly gray, impure marble with dark-gray, calcareous pelitic schist and many thin layers of metaquartzite, metabasalt, and metadacite; thick calcite marble member (m, +++) and thin layers of dolomite marble contain variable amounts of quartz, amphibole, biotite, and sparse quartzite contains biotite, calcite, epidote, and magnetite; greenschist-facies actinolite schist and biotite muscovite schist in the north grade southward into higher-grade felsic paragneiss containing hornblende, biotite, garnet, and augite; amphibolite containing epidote, biotite, augite, magnetite, apatite, and sphene; metaquartzite and calc-silicate rock containing plagioclase, calcite, hornblende, epidote, garnet, and sphene. Yafikh is intensely folded within 8- to 10-km-wide northwest-trending Najd fault zone; schistosity and fabric of minor intercalations of granitic orthogneiss mostly concordant with compositional layering.

MASAMAH FORMATION--Dark-gray and dark-greenish-gray interlayered mafic volcanic and immature sedimentary rocks, includes basalt, andesite, and volcaniclastic flow breccia, airfall tuff, and lahar deposits; interbedded sedimentary rocks consist of locally derived quartz-bearing graywacke sandstone, and conglomerate. Masamah is generally folded and metamorphosed to greenschist; lowermost strata include several flows of trachyoidal basalt and andesite that inter-tongue with arkose and dacitic and rhyolitic flows of uppermost Zain formation; intensely sheared fault zone separates Masamah from Yafikh. Masamah-type rocks included in Arfan formation of Halaban group by Schmidt (1976a) and Hadley (1976) in areas north and west of Jabal Zain; Masamah tentatively assigned to Halaban group to the south by Kelllogg (1982a), but is assigned here to Muradama group because of its relation to Zain formation.

ZAIN FORMATION--Mostly arkosic sedimentary rocks with volcanic flow rocks in the lower and middle parts; total estimated thickness 4,000 m to 5,000 m; lithology of lower 1,100 m very similar to Jarbuh formation to the west across Najd fault zone (Schmidt, 1976a); however, thickness of Zain sandstone much greater and rhyolite to dacite is common. Fine-grained, thinly laminated arkosic sandstone 2,000 to 3,000 m thick overlies conglomeratic unit and contains well-sorted, very angular grains (0.1-0.2 mm) in 10 to 20 percent silt matrix; detrital grains are 15 to 30 percent quartz, 25 to 40 percent saussuritized plagioclase, 15 to 30 percent microcline, few percent each of muscovite, biotite, and magnetite, and fragments of volcanic rock; silty calcareous matrix contains mostly calcite and metamorphic epidote, chlorite, and sericite. Persistent reddish-brown color due to abundant iron oxide in matrix. Many strata display ripple marks and crossbedding fairly common in lower and upper parts; in uppermost 150 m Zain on Jabal Ibra Qubrah fine- to medium-grained, laminated arkosic sandstone probably deposited in a delta and contains large-scale (0.5 m) amplitude bedforms with wavelengths as much as 10 m; foreset beds dip northwesterly and suggest the delta margin in a northward direction.

Arkosic sandstone member--Mostly reddish-brown arkosic sandstone; in lowermost 300 m consists of coarse- to medium-grained arkosic sandstone containing pebble to boulder conglomerate (0000) and a few thin flows of rhyolite to dacite; upper 100 m, fine-grained, thinly laminated arkosic sandstone 2,000 to 3,000 m thick overlies conglomeratic unit and contains well-sorted, very angular grains (0.1-0.2 mm) in 10 to 20 percent silt matrix; detrital grains are 15 to 30 percent quartz, 25 to 40 percent saussuritized plagioclase, 15 to 30 percent microcline, few percent each of muscovite, biotite, and magnetite, and fragments of volcanic rock; silty calcareous matrix contains mostly calcite and metamorphic epidote, chlorite, and sericite. Persistent reddish-brown color due to abundant iron oxide in matrix. Many strata display ripple marks and crossbedding fairly common in lower and upper parts; in uppermost 150 m Zain on Jabal Ibra Qubrah fine- to medium-grained, laminated arkosic sandstone probably deposited in a delta and contains large-scale (0.5 m) amplitude bedforms with wavelengths as much as 10 m; foreset beds dip northwesterly and suggest the delta margin in a northward direction.

Volcanic member--Intermediate and felsic volcanic flows interlayered with minor volcaniclastic debris and sandstone; lower part consists of porphyritic dacite and andesite flows a few hundred meters thick; upper part contains several hundred-meter-thick porphyritic rhyolite to dacite and andesite interlayered with fine-grained sandstone and conglomerate; prominent marker layer (r) is 10- to 200-m-thick rhyolite ash-flow tuff. Thickness of volcanic member exceeds 1,000 m at its northwestern margin and thins southward to about 100 m.

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HALABAN GROUP(?) NANTAM FORMATION--Interlayered very fine grained, dark-gray metavolcanic rock (about equal amounts of basalt, andesite, and dacite) and metasedimentary rock (siltstone and thin graywacke sandstone); bedding and disconformity between metamorphosed and metavolcanic rocks difficult to determine in outcrop. Nantam metamorphic mineral assemblages equivalent to amphibolite facies throughout; higher metamorphic grade suggests Nantam underwent major deformation prior to deposition of Zain formation; Nantam rocks appear sufficiently older and have compositions that justify their tentative assignment to Halaban group. INTRUSIVE ROCKS ag ALBITE GRANITE--Pink to pale-orange, aphanitic to fine-grained, nonporphyritic alkali granite (sha forms sills, dikes, and small stocks in northwestern quarter of quadrangle; albite, mostly as microclasts, is only feldspar in rock as determined by X-ray diffraction analysis; argillite alteration extensive at all localities; other minerals include much microcrystalline quartz, few percent chloritic biotite, and trace of riebeckite; larger stock at northern boundary of quadrangle is fine grained throughout and contains numerous inclusions of metasandstone and dacite. ag ALKALI-FELDSPAR GRANITE--Pink to red, fine-grained, porphyritic alkali granite forms several southwest-trending dikes 10 to 30 m wide and several small plugs (not mapped) in southeastern quarter of quadrangle; phenocrysts (1-3 cm) of microcline and albite-rimmed sodic oligoclase (3-6 percent locally as much as 25 percent); apakivi and granophyric textures common; groundmass contains about equal quantities of quartz, microcline, and albite; contains 2 to 5 percent biotite; accessory cassiterite(?) is distinctive; other accessory minerals include fluorite, magnetite, apatite, zircon, sphene, and allanite. DIKE ROCKS--Mostly porphyritic, fine-grained to aphanitic including basalt, bi; diorite, d; quartz diorite, qd; monzonite, mz; quartz monzonite, qm; granodiorite, rd; and rhyodacite, rd; chronology of dikes not determined but all postdate Najd faults. pg PERTHITE GRANITE--Pink to pinkish-gray, mostly coarse-grained, nonfoliated, porphyritic; hornblende predominant over biotite although dark minerals are typically about 2 percent of mode; perthite prevalent feldspar phase, accompanied by sodic oligoclase and albite; few hundred-meter-thick chill zone at western margin contains abundant perthite; intrudes As Sabahah granite. bg AS SABAHAH GRANITE--Pale-pink to light-gray, medium- to coarse-grained, locally foliated alkali-feldspar granite; coarse-grained porphyritic variety dominant; biotite generally more common than hornblende, and together they make up 1 to 5 percent of mode; generally sparse accessory minerals include sphene, zircon (concentrically zoned; zircon grains are magnesian and characteristic), and interstitial fluorite; hornblende partially altered to chlorite; nonoriented crush structure evident throughout; intrudes Dawsair granodiorite and granite, and intruded by perthite granite; unit well exposed at Jabal as Sabahah. dgD DAWASIR GRANODIORITE AND GRANITE--Pinkish-gray to light-gray, coarse- to medium-grained, locally gneissic biotite granodiorite and biotite granite; thick calcite marble member (m, +++) and thin layers of dolomite marble contain variable amounts of quartz, amphibole, biotite, and sparse quartzite contains biotite, calcite, epidote, and magnetite; greenschist-facies actinolite schist and biotite muscovite schist in the north grade southward into higher-grade felsic paragneiss containing hornblende, biotite, garnet, and augite; amphibolite containing epidote, biotite, augite, magnetite, apatite, and sphene; metaquartzite and calc-silicate rock containing plagioclase, calcite, hornblende, epidote, garnet, and sphene. 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Moderately to intensely deformed quartz and plagioclase grains (undulatory extinction and dislocation twins), weak north-trending gneissic fabric produced by cataclasis; biotite largely converted to chlorite but hornblende unaltered; tonalite is significantly metamorphosed in contact with granitic plutons where additional quartz and microcline present in border zone a few kilometers wide. dgD GNEISSIC GRANODIORITE AND GRANITE--Pinkish-gray and light-gray orthogneiss and subordinate paragneiss; biotite granodiorite prevalent rock type; biotite granite and hornblende-biotite quartz diorite also common; minor types include trondhjemite, tonalite, diorite, amphibolite, calcitic-dolomitic marble (++++), calc-silicate rock, calcareous quartzite, and pelitic schist. Unit entirely contained in broad, northwest-trending Najd fault zone; many small granite plugs and dikes (not mapped) within this zone; this zone, within the high metamorphic grade of layered gneiss and schist probably produced during intense cataclasis and shearing within broad zone; orthogneiss may represent deformed older granitoid/dioritoid rock, whereas gross lithology of paragneiss suggests derivation from Muradama group (especially Yafikh formation).

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ECONOMIC GEOLOGY Prospect pits and small mines on quartz veins are in several widely distributed localities. All were examined and several were sampled for analyses. Most have no anomalous metal content. Samples from the Thanan ancient mine (MDS 1103) and nearby prospects along the north boundary of the quadrangle contain significant amounts of gold and silver (Table 1; Bishop, 1982). The mine consists of an inclined shaft about 30 m deep that has a surface opening approximately 7 m wide and 25 m long. The shaft explores a 2- to 7-m-thick quartz vein, which crops out for 70 m and strikes N. 45° E. and dips 55° NW. Many small pits on small discontinuous veins occur in the area of the mine. All veins are principally quartz having a few percent gossan in fractures and pockets. Sulfide minerals are sparse in dump fragments and in exposed parts of veins. MDS 1096 is a small ancient mine in a similar geologic context, but Bishop (1982) reported negative results from dump samples. A second locality that has modest gold and silver contents (table 1) is located 11 km north-northeast of the southwestern corner of the quadrangle (reported to MDS). Small veins in gabbro contain variable quantities of quartz, reddish-brown jasperoid, and brown carbonate. Ancient exploration in the mineralized area is indicated by more than a hundred closely spaced, shallow pits. Analytical data are listed in table 1.

DATA STORAGE The sample location map for the Jabal Zain quadrangle is on file at the Jiddah office of the U.S. Geological Survey Saudi Arabian Mission under data file number USGS-DR-23-1. The mineral locality reported to the Mineral Occurrence Documentation System (MDS) data bank will be assigned a 5-digit number. Inquiries regarding MDS may be made through the Office of the Technical Advisor, Saudi Arabian Deputy Ministry for Mineral Resources, Jiddah.

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