

Reference section(s): Section Oberbuchach 1 along the Gundersheimer Almroad, Bischofalmgraben, Collendiaul (SCHÖNLAUB, 1981, 1985a: p. 40, 72).

Derivation of name: After the locality Bischofalm in the Carnic Alps (Austria).

Synonyms: Basal quartzite (JAEGER & SCHÖNLAUB, 1980: p. 404); Quarzite (JAEGER & SCHÖNLAUB, 1980: Fig. 1); dünne quarzitische Lagen (SCHÖNLAUB, 1985a: p. 40).

Lithology: Dark grey to grey, thin quartzite beds, dolomitic sandstone (JAEGER & SCHÖNLAUB, 1980: p. 411; SCHÖNLAUB, 1981).

Fossils: -

Origin, facies: Marine siliciclastics, pelagic unit.

Chronostratigraphic age: Based on the above deposited graptolite-yielding shales (Lower Bischofalm Shale) which are early Silurian in age (see SCHÖNLAUB, 1979: Fig. 17 and updated version in SCHÖNLAUB, 1985a: Fig. 13), a late Ordovician to early Silurian age is proposed for this unit by JAEGER & SCHÖNLAUB (1980) and SCHÖNLAUB (1981).

Biostratigraphy: -

Thickness: Approx. 80 m.

Lithostratigraphically higher rank unit: Bischofalm Nappe (informal).

Lithostratigraphic subdivision: -

Underlying unit(s): Val Visdende Formation (conformable contact?).

Overlying unit(s): Lower Bischofalm Shale (conformable contact).

Lateral unit(s): Uggwa Shale, Uggwa Limestone, Plöcken Formation.

Geographic distribution: Carnic Alps.

Remarks: -

Complementary references: SCHÖNLAUB (1985a, 1991), SCHÖNLAUB & HEINISCH (1994), SCHÖNLAUB & HISTON (2000), HUBMANN et al. (2003).

Wolayer-Kalk / Wolayer Limestone

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Validity: Invalid; first observed by STACHE (1884: p. 337); better described by GAERTNER (1931), who already used the name Wolayer Kalk for this unit; later included within the summary of the Variscan carbonate sequences in the Carnic Alps (KREUTZER, 1992b).

Type area: ÖK50-UTM, map sheets 3109 Oberdrauburg, 3110 Kötschach-Mauthen, 3116 Sonnenalpe Naßfeld (ÖK50-BMN, map sheets 197 Kötschach, 198 Weißbriach).

Type section: Rauchkofelboden (GAERTNER, 1931: p. 136–137); N 46°36'54" / E 12°52'30"; altitude 2,153 m.

Reference section(s): Seekopfsockel (N 46°36'33" / E 12°51'58"), Valentintörl (SCHÖNLAUB, 1980b).

Derivation of name: After the Wolayer region in the central Carnic Alps (Austria).

Synonyms: Stufe der weissen und grauen Kalke (STACHE, 1884); Graue, massive, versteinerungsleere Kalke auf der Höhe des Thörl (FRECH, 1887: p. 685); Graue massive Kalke (FRECH, 1894b: Fig. 82); massive Bank von grauem oder rötlichem, aber hell anwitterndem Kalk [partim] (GEYER,

1903); Helle, massive Bank (SPITZ, 1909); roter und weißer, hell verwitternder Krinoidenkalk [partim] (GAERTNER, 1931); Krinoidenkalk ("helle Bank") [partim] (HABERFELNER & HERITSCH, 1932b); Biocalcilitutti mandorlate ("Tomflaserkalk") (MANARA & VAI, 1970); Grey massive crinoid limestone (SCHÖNLAUB, 1971a: p. 369); Ashgill-Crinoiden-Calcarenit der "Bewegtwasser-Fazies" (SCHÖNLAUB, 1971a: Fig. 2); Calcare a crinoidi, bioruditic Ist. ("Cystoideenkalk") (SPALLETTA et al., 1982: p. 282–283); Cystoideen-Kalk (DULLO, 1992); Cystoidean Limestone (DULLO, 1992).

Lithology: White massive, sparry crinoidal debris limestone (KREUTZER, 1992b).

Fossils: Bryozoans, crinoids, conodonts, cystoids, ostracodes (rare), trilobites.

Origin, facies: Marine limestone, neritic unit consisting of paraautochthonous bioclasts derived from crinozoan mounds (DULLO, 1992).

Chronostratigraphic age: Upper Ordovician (Katian–Hirnantian).

Biostratigraphy: *ordovicicus* conodont zone (FERRETTI & SCHÖNLAUB, 2001).

Thickness: 10–17 m.

Lithostratigraphically higher rank unit: Himmelberg Facies (informal).

Lithostratigraphic subdivision: -

Underlying unit(s): Himmelberg Sandstone (conformable contact). Following HUBICH & LOESCHKE (1993: Fig. 3; p. 355) and SCHÖNLAUB & FLAJS (1993: p. 236 and 240–241), the Comelico Porphyry or the Fleons Greywacke, respectively, are not directly overlain by the Wolayer Limestone as shown in the ASC 2004.

Overlying unit(s): Plöcken Formation (unconformable contact); Kok Formation (unconformable contact).

Lateral unit(s): Uggwa Limestone.

Geographic distribution: Carnic Alps.

Remarks: -

Complementary references: HABERFELNER & HERITSCH (1932b), HERITSCH (1932), SCHÖNLAUB (1979, 1991, 1992, 2000b), SCHÖNLAUB et al. (1997, 2004), VAI (1998), SCHÖNLAUB & HISTON (2000).

Uggwa-Kalk / Uggwa Limestone

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Validity: Invalid; already mentioned by STACHE (1884) as Knollenkalk; first described by GAERTNER (1931); further observed by VAI (1971) and SCHÖNLAUB (1971a, 1979, 1985a); later included within the summary of the Variscan carbonate sequences in the Carnic Alps (KREUTZER, 1992b).

Type area: ÖK50-UTM, map sheets 3109 Oberdrauburg, 3110 Kötschach-Mauthen, 3111 Spittal an der Drau, 3116 Sonnenalpe Naßfeld, 3117 Nötsch im Gailtal (ÖK50-BMN, map sheets 197 Kötschach, 199 Hermagor).

Type section: Cellon avalanche gully (see remarks), Beds 1–4+ after WALLISER (1964); N 46°36'32" / E 13°29'03"; altitude 1,500 m.

Reference section(s): Uggwa creek (VAI, 1971), N 46°33'05" / E 13°29'13"; Valentintörl, Feistritzgraben, Nölblinggraben (SCHÖNLAUB, 1985a: p. 36; DULLO, 1992).

Derivation of name: After Uggwa creek, 200 m NNE of Rifugio Fratelli Nordio close to the village of Ugovizza in Friuli-Venezia Giulia, Italy (VAI, 1971).

Synonyms: Knollenkalk (STACHE, 1884: p. 324); Tonflaserkalke (SPITZ, 1909); Ashgill (GAERTNER, 1931: p. 133); Bereich I [partim] (WALLISER, 1964: Fig. 10, Tab. 1, p. 95); Nodular Limestone Member of the Uqua Formation (VAI, 1971); Flaserkalke, Knollenkalke, Kalkknollenschiefer (SCHÖNLAUB, 1971a: p. 368); Ashgill-Tonflaserkalk der "Stillwasser-Fazies" (SCHÖNLAUB, 1971a: Fig. 2); Uggwakalk (SCHÖNLAUB, 1979: Fig. 19, p. 44); Formazione di Uqua (VAI et al., 1984); Uggwa Formation (KREUTZER, 1992b).

Lithology: Grey to colored flaser limestone with bioclastic debris layers (KREUTZER, 1992b).

Fossils: Acritarchs, brachiopods, cephalopods, chitinozoans, crinoids, foraminifers, ostracods, styliolinids, tentaculites, trilobites.

Origin, facies: Marine limestone, represented by allochthonous deposits of deeper marine settings that derived from the higher energetic Wolayer Limestone (FLÜGEL, 1965; SCHÖNLAUB, 1971a; DULLO, 1992).

Chronostratigraphic age: Upper Ordovician (Katian).

Biostratigraphy: *ordovicicus* conodont zone (SERPAGLI, 1967; FERRETTI & SCHÖNLAUB, 2001).

Thickness: 1.1 m (at Rifugio Fratelli Nordio) to 5.4 m (at Cellon).

Lithostratigraphically higher rank unit: Uggwa Facies (informal).

Lithostratigraphic subdivision: -

Underlying unit(s): Uggwa Shale (conformable contact).

Overlying unit(s): Plöcken Formation (conformable contact).

Lateral unit(s): Wolayer Limestone, Bischofalm Quartzite.

Geographic distribution: Carnic Alps.

Remarks: At the section north of Rifugio Fratelli Nordio the thickness of this unit is limited to 1.1 m to some 3 m compared with the type section at Cellon (5.4 m). In addition, the overlying Plöcken Formation is badly exposed as is the overlying shale sequence. According to JAEGER et al. (1975, p. 275) and SCHÖNLAUB (1988: p. 109) a distinct lithological change takes place within bed no. 5 or slightly below. This level defines the base of the succeeding Plöcken Formation ("4+").

Complementary references: SCHÖNLAUB (1980b, 1991, 1992, 2000b), PRIEWALDER (1987, 1997, 2000), BAGNOLI et al. (1998), BOGOLEPOVA & SCHÖNLAUB (1998), VAI (1998), SCHÖNLAUB & HISTON (2000), HUBMANN et al. (2003), SCHÖNLAUB et al. (2004), VENTURINI (2006), BRIME et al. (2008).

Plöcken-Formation / Plöcken Formation

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Validity: Valid (KREUTZER, 1992b sensu WALLISER, 1964); first description by GAERTNER (1931: p. 133) followed by SCHÖNLAUB (1969a: p. 280–281) and JAEGER et al. (1975: p. 275–278); name first used by SCHÖNLAUB (1985a: p. 38).

Type area: ÖK50-UTM, map sheets 3109 Oberdrauburg, 3110 Kötschach-Mauthen, 3116 Sonnenalpe Naßfeld (ÖK50-BMN, map sheet 197 Kötschach).

Type section: Cellon avalanche gully, beds 6–8 (WALLISER, 1964), beds 5–8 (SCHÖNLAUB, 1985a); N 46°36'32" / E 12°56'25"; altitude 1,500 m.

Reference section(s): Section Hoher Trieb south of Obere Bischofalm (SCHÖNLAUB, 1969a, 1980b: Fig. 27, p. 50); Feistritzgraben (SCHÖNLAUB, 1980b: Figs. 4, 28; p. 52).

Derivation of name: After the geographic name "Plöcken" in the central Carnic Alps (Austria).

Synonyms: Untere Schichten (GAERTNER, 1931: p. 133); Bereich I [partim] (WALLISER, 1964: Fig. 10, Tab. 1, p. 95); Mikrofazies-Schicht '2: "Schillsandstein" and Mikrofazies-Schicht '3: "Gradierte Sandsteine" (SCHÖNLAUB, 1969a); Siltstone and Sandstone (VAI, 1971).

Lithology: Coarse-grained indistinctly bedded impure limestones which grade into calcareous sandstone. In the lower part contorted deformation structures, slippings, channel fillings, loosely packed matrix-supported subangular clasts of varying composition are common as is the accumulation of fossil debris.

Fossils: Acritarchs (PRIEWALDER, 1987), calcareous algae, bivalves, brachiopods (JAEGER et al., 1975), chitinozoans (PRIEWALDER, 1997), conodonts (WALLISER, 1964; FERRETTI & SCHÖNLAUB, 2001), crinoids, gastropods, graptolites (rare), ostracods (SCHALLREUTER, 1990), sponge spicula (FERRETTI & SCHÖNLAUB, 2001).

Origin, facies: Marine sediments, which according to SCHÖNLAUB (2000b) are strongly influenced by the Late Ordovician glacial event. The influence of the Hirnantian ice age on the depositional environment is characterized by channeling, erosion and local non-deposition.

Chronostratigraphic age: Upper Ordovician (Hirnantian).

Biostratigraphy: *persculptus* graptolite zone (JAEGER et al., 1975) and a mixed conodont fauna including elements of the *ordovicicus* Zone and some stratigraphically slightly younger species (FERRETTI & SCHÖNLAUB, 2001).

Thickness: Varies between 1.5 and 9 m; at its type section, the unit reaches 5.4 m in thickness.

Lithostratigraphically higher rank unit: Uggwa Facies (informal).

Lithostratigraphic subdivision: -

Underlying unit(s): Wolayer Limestone (unconformable contact), Uggwa Limestone (conformable contact).

Overlying unit(s): Kok Formation (unconformable contact); Nöbling Formation (unconformable contact).

Lateral unit(s): Bischofalm Quartzite.

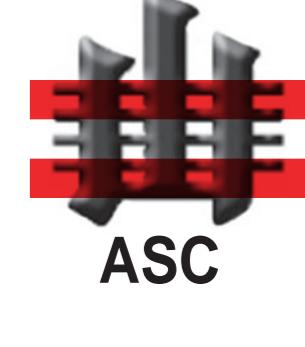
Geographic distribution: Carnic Alps.

Remarks: -

Complementary references: SPITZ (1909), SCHÖNLAUB (1971a, 1991), PRIEWALDER (2000), SCHÄTZ et al. (1997, 2002), VAI (1998), SCHÖNLAUB & HISTON (2000), HUBMANN et al. (2003), SCHÖNLAUB et al. (2004).

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