of the true shallow-water sequence of Wetterstein-type (DIMI-TRIJEVIC & DIMITRIJEVIC, 1991). The decollement surface below is characterized by grey-greenish tuffitic layer and nearly the whole Ladinian and the highest part of Bulog are missing below this low angle normal fault.

In the wider surrounding of the quarry different blocks and shallowwater limestones of Upper Triassic age (Dachstein limestone) are present separated by the radiolaritic-ophiolitic matrix of Middle Jurassic age, also incontaining Carnian radiolarites.

This drowing of the Steinalm carbonate platform is contemporaneous in the whole western Neotethys realm from Hellenides, over the Dinarides to the Eastern Alps. This process was governed by tectonic events like rapid subsidence, followed by rapid sealevel rise and other processes which are known by now (paradox of carbonate platform drowing). This drowing led to an overall change of the shallow-water conditions the whole western Neotethys realm to hemipelagic, extremely condensed sedimentary sequences. Crustal extention firstly led to the formation of neptunian dykes and to the end of the shallow-water production. Due to the beginning of the block tilting and new topographic relief was formed. On topographic highs very reduced sedimentation rate occurs where as in the newly formed asymetric basins accumulations of several metres occur. In comparison with other Late Pelsonian to Illyrian hemipelagic sequences, similar to Bulog limestone (e.g. Schreyeralm limestone in the Eastern Alps), in the western Neotethys realm, the investigated sequence in the Klisura quarry reaches a thickness up to 17 m. Continuous block tilting is mirrord in the accumulation of ammonites layers and the occurence of condensed sections.

The slides in Zlatibor mélange show identical facial stratigraphic and tectonic evolution as known in complete sequences from the Hellenides to the Eastern Alps. The sedimentary evolution in this whole realm follows overall geodynamic phases. Therefore, they belong to the same shelf, the Western Neotethys continental margin.

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Radiolarian dating in the Middle Jurassic radiolariticophiolitic wildflysch (= ophiolitic mélange) of the Dinaridic Ophiolite Belt, SW Serbia

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The Dinaridic Ophiolite Belt with its widespread mélange areas is an important link within the Alpine–Dinaridic–Albanide–

Hellenic orogenic system. The Dinaridic Ophiolite Belt forms as northward continuation of the Mirdita ophiolites from northern Albania into Kosovo and Serbia through Bosnia to Croatia together with the Western Hellenic ophiolites in Greece and southern Albania a relatively continous ophiolitic belt. The Dinaridic Ophiolite Belt of western and southwestern Serbia is made of ophiolites and widespread mélanges containing different components up to nappe-size and is now interpreted as radiolariticophiolitic wildflysch. The matrix of the components and blocks consists mainly of fine- to partly coarse-grained, partly radiolaritic, ophiolitic siliciclastics, further of shales, radiolaritic marls and rare radiolarites. Direct datings of these radiolaritic matrix-sediments in the Dinaridic Ophiolite Belt are missing. Westnorthwest of Sjenica in the central Dinaridic Ophiolite Belt occur an albite granite olistolith together with various ophiolitic material, spilite olistoliths, Late Triassic radiolarite olistoliths, and various very small still undetermable carbonate components.

From the radiolaritic matrix, which is in the surrounding of the albite granite olistolith we, isolate a radiolarian fauna of Middle Jurassic age, e.g.: Archaeodictyomitra amabilis, Archaeodictyomitra mitra, Archaeodictyomitra rigida, Archaeodictyomitra sp. B, Dictyomitrella kamoensis, Eucyrtidiellum circumperforatum, Eucyrtidiellum semifactum, Eucyrtidiellum unumaense pustulatum, Eucyrtidiellum unumaense dentatum, Eucyrtidiellum unumaense unumaense, Hsuum maxwelli, Helvetocapsa cf. matsuokai, Hiscopaspsa magnipora Parvicingula spinata, Parvicingula sp., Praezhamoidellum buekkense, Praezhamoidellum yaoi, Protunuma lanosus, Protunuma turbo, Pseudodictyomitra cf. venusta, Quarticella ovalis, Stichocapsa convexa, Stichocapsa japonica, Striatojaponocapsa cf. conexa, Striatojaponocapsa cf. synconrexa, Tetracapsa himedarum, Tricolocapsa aff. fusiformis, Tricolocapsa fusiformis, Tricolocapsa sp. S, Tricolocapsa tetragona, Triversus hungaricus, Williriedellum dierschei, Williriedellum marcucciae, and Zhamoidellum exquisita. This late Middle Jurassic dating of these matrix sediments proves directly the sedimentary emplacement of the different blocks. Therefore the ophiolitic mélange is interpreted to be formed originally as a primary synorogenic sediment (radiolaritic wild-flysch sequence) formed simultaneously during west-directed thrusting of ophiolite and sediment-cover nappes representing ocean floor and underplated fragments of the western continental margin (Drina-Ivanjica Element), later overprinted by contem-poraneous and younger tectonics forming a typical mélange.

The age range of the Sjenica mélange and the sedimentary emplacement of the olistoliths in the Dinaridic Ophiolite Belt seems to be similar to the radiolaritic-ophiolitic wildflysch in the Mirdita Ophiolite Zone of Albania to the south and the ophiolitic mélange areas in Medvenica and Kalnik Mts. to the northwest. The age of the ophiolitic-radiolaritic wildflysch is also similar to the radiolaritic carbonate-clastic flysch in the Northern Calcareous Alps (Hallstatt Mélange) and the Western Carpathians (Meliata Mélange) as well as to the ophiolitic–radiolaritic wildflysch in the Mirdita zone.

The situation in the Dinaridic Ophiolite Belt conform that of the Albanides ("Mirdita mélange") and Medvednica and Kalnik mountains in Croatia. To clearify the palaeogeographic derivation of the different blocks and the time span of their emplacement in detail, widespread investigations in a larger regional scale are necessary in future. Only a detailed component analysis of the "mélange" with dating of the matrix allows a reconstruction of the source area.

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