

GOLD METALLOGENY OF MONGOLIA

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INTRODUCTION

Mongolia regards as one of new frontiers in Central Asian Mobile Belt for discovering lode gold deposits. During last 30 years there has been extensive exploration for placer gold deposits by mongolian government, but lode gold deposits of Mongolia has been explored badly.

Nowdays there are a few lode gold deposits and few hundreds occurrences discovered by Geological Mapping at scale 1:200 000 and 1:50 000 , but some of them were known of ancient time. Substantial studies of lode gold deposits and occurrences and of the gold resources potential of Mongolia have been conducted by mongolian, russian, cerman and bulgarian geologists during last 30 years.

This report provides characteristiccs of main types, metallogenic epoches and natural space distribution of lode gold mineralization of Mongolia.

PREVIOUS METALLOGENIC STUDIES

Main informations of lode gold mineralization of Mongolia have been published by Marinov N.A. (1963), Dornfeld G., Kraft M. (1964), Borzakovskii Yu. A. et.al. (1971), Kraft M., Taubert P. et. al. (1974), Tsypukov Yu. p., Lombo D. (1975), Blagonravov B.A., Shabalovskii A.E. (1977), Blagonravov B.A., Tsypukov Yu.P. (1977), Poznyak B.O., Dejidmaa G. (1977), Gottesman V. (1978), Tsherbakov Yu.G., Roslyakov N.A. et.al. (1979), Blagonravov B.A., Byambaa J., Podkolzin V.M. (1980), Tsherbakov Yu.G., Dejidmaa G. (1984), Blagonravov B.A., Blagonravova L.A. et.al. (1984), Tsherbakov Yu.G., Dejidmaa G., Kalinin Yu.A. (1986), Dejidmaa G. (1980, 1985), Alkin V.S., Kunytsyn V.V. et.al. (1989), Blumen B.A. et.al. (1989), Bolotova N.Ya., Dejidmaa G. et. al. (1990), Bokulev A.A. (1991), Blumen B.A. (1991), Dejidmaa G., Eideliman L.E. et.al. (1993), Mironov Yu.B., Trofhimov N.S. (1993), Mironov Yu. B., Soloviev,N.S. (1993), Richard H. Sillitoe et. al. (1996)

CLASSIFICATION OF LODE GOLD DEPOSITS AND OCCURRENCES

Lode gold deposits and occurrences of Mongolia in this report are classified into 6 groupes, few classes and several types (tab. 1).

Groupes are presented by Acrhaean, Phanerozoic mesothermal, Epithermal, Intrision related, Gold in ancient seafloor hydrothermal systems and Ancient placer deposits and occurrences according to Foster R.P. (1993)

1. There are few Archaean to Early Proterozoic metamorphic terranes in the territory of Mongolia which belong to parts of Granitoid-Creenstone belt (fig. 1). The Baidrag terrane of them is more potential for discovery of Archaean-Early Proterozoic lode gold deposits. There have been discovered few silicate-oxide iron and gold-sulphide-quartz replacement occurrences. The Kharaat uul gold occurrence is presented by pyritized, silicificated replacement in gneisses of gneiss-amphibolite formation. Host gneisses are pyritized, silicificated, sericitized, chloritized and cut by

quartz-pyrite veining oxidized intensively from surface. The grade of gold varies from 0.3 to 10 g/t on surface and the occurrence is the primary source of a gold placer deposit of the area.

2. Phanerozoic mesothermal gold deposits and occurrences are distributed widely in ancient tectonically active continental slopes of Upper Proterozoic and Early Paleozoic (O - D) (fig. 2, 4). They are presented by turbidite-hosted (black and green shales) mesothermal vein and disseminated veining classes. The vein class is presented by lower sulphide gold-quartz type and the disseminated veining - by high sulfide type. There are few occurrences of gold-quartz type of Upper Proterozoic and disseminated sulphide-quartz veining type of Vend-Early Cambrian in Baidrag-Burdyn gol district. Deposit (Olon ovoot) and occurrences of Devonian age of the group are distributed widely in southern part of Mongolia in Devonian continental active slope. Devonian deposits and occurrences have a space relationship with concordant dykes, sills of diabase, gabbro and diorites.

3. Epithermal gold occurrences in volcanic terranes are distributed in southern and eastern parts of the territory of Mongolia in Eastern Mongolian Upper Mesozoic (fig. 7) and Southern Mongolian Upper Paleozoic (fig. 5) volcano-plutonic belts. According to their predominant rock-alteration and mineral-composition assemblages the epithermal group subdivides into adularia-sericite and alunite-kaolinite classes. The adularia-sericite class relates to volcanic environments and mostly distributes in Eastern Mongolian riftogenic volcanic belt (in volcanic rocks, in grabens and on a frame of grabens). Known occurrences of the class are presented by lower sulphide epithermal quartz veins and disseminated replacement types. The alunite - sericite class relates to porphyry magmatism and has genetical and space relationship with porphyry copper, copper - molybdenum deposits and occurrences formed in volcano-plutonic belt of active continental margin of Andian type. Known occurrences of the class are presented by high sulphide quartz veins, breccia types. Host volcanic and volcano - terrigenous formations are altered widely and there are wide developed hypergene alunite and kaolinite.

4. Intrusion related gold deposits and occurrences are distributed widely in the territory of Mongolia. According to Sillitoe R.H. (1993) the group subdivides into 4 classes and several types (see tab. 1).

4.1. The intrusion hosted/disseminated class has space and genetical relationship with porphyry magmatism related deposits. To the class we belong the gold-copper porphyry, gold-bearing copper-molybdenum porphyry stockworks and gold-sulphide-magnetite-quartz vein and breccia types (fig. 3,4,5,6). Gold-porphyry type is new in Mongolia and we think that some gold occurrences in granite-porphyry dykes of Zamar-Ugtaaltsaidam district belong to the type. Known occurrences of last type has a space and genetical relations with copper - porphyry occurrences.

4.2. Skarn deposits and occurrences are distributed widely and are presented by gold - copper and gold - copper - iron types. The skarn class deposits and occurrences formed in Early Paleozoic (fig. 3), Upper Paleozoic to Early Mesozoic (fig. 6) and Upper Mesozoic (fig. 7) metallogenic epochs in active continental margins. Mineral composition of the class is more complicated.

4.3. The class of stockwork, disseminated and replacement in noncarbonate rocks are wide distributed in ancient active continental margins and subdivides into two types. The gold - scheelite stockwork type (fig. 4) has a space and genetical relation with tungsten and molybdenum deposits and is distributed in tungsten - molybdenum - gold bearing districts. The gold - sulphide - quartz veining/replacement type (fig. 3, 4) are distributed in gold districts in space and genetical relation with vein class. This type is more potential for discovering of bulk mineable deposit, but it was studied badly. The Olgii - Sagsai, Burgastain gol, Eroo gol, Baljiin gol districts are more potential for discovering of the type gold deposits.

Tab.1 Main group, class and types of lode gold deposits and occurrences of Mongolia

GROUP	CLASS	TYPE	DEPOSITS. OCCURRENCES / AGE / / DISTRICTS /
1	2	3	4
Archaean-Early Proterozoic in Granitoid-Creenstone terrane	Disseminated replacement	Gold - sulphide/pyrite/ - quartz veinining	Kharaat uul / PRI / /Baidrag - Burdyn gol /
Phanerozoic mesothermal in continental slope of tectonically active continental margin	Vein	Cold-quartz-vein	Dalyn khondii, Khoit II / R / / Baidrag - Burdyn gol /, Olon oovot / D / / Mandal oovot /, Bayangovi / D / / Bayangovi-Bayanleg / Khan uul / V - E1 / / Tuin - Taatsyn gol / Dalyn khondii / R / / Baidrag - Burdyn gol /
	Disseminated replacement	Cold-sulphide-quartz veinining	
Epithermal in volcanic terranes	Alunite - kaolinite /High sulphide /	Gold-sulphide-quartz vein. breccia. ledges /replacement	Shuteen / C / /Mandakh - Shuteen /, Ikh Shankhai / C / /Ikh Shankhai/
	Adularia - sericite /Lower sulphide /	Gold-/silver/-quartz vein and replacement	Tsagaan / K1 / /Onon - Berkh /, Ugtam / K1 / /Türgen gol / Bulgan group / K1 / / / Bulgan/
Intrusion related in active continental margin	Intrusion hosted stockwork/disseminated	Gold - copper-porphyry	Kharmagtai . Oovot khyar. Ukhaa khudag / C / /Kharmagtai / Khadat / MZ1 / /Zamar - Ugtaltsaidam /
		Gold bearing copper-molybdenum porphyry	Avdar tolgoi / MZ2 / /Dochiin gol /, Tsagaan suvarga / D / / Tsagaan suvarga /
	Gold - porphyry?	Ulaangozgor, Erdenetsog oovot / MZ1 / /Zamar - Ugtaltsaidam/	
	Gold-sulphide-magnetite-quartz breccia	Tsakhir khudag / P / /Govi-Altai / Kharmagtai / C / / Kharmagtai /	
	Gold - copper skarn	Khokh bulgin khondii / P / /Baidrag - Burdyn gol / Tsakhir khudag / P / / Govi - Altai /	
	Skarn in carbonate rocks	Gold - copper - iron skarn	Teshig I, II, III / MZ1 / /Teshig /, Erdenetolgoi / MZ2 / /Dochiin gol/
Stockwork, disseminated and replacement in noncarbonate rocks	Stockwork, disseminated and replacement in noncarbonate rocks	Gold - sheelite stockwork	Mushgui, Khalgat, Zeeruin gol, Dund salaa / D / /Dungerekh-Tsagaan gol /
		Gold-sulphide-quartz veinining and replacement	Khomol / MZ / / Baljijn gol /, Buural gol / MZ I / Eroo gol / Sagsai / D / /Olgi - Sagsai /, Gozgor, Khagshir bulag, Taly salaa / D / / Burgastain gol /

1	2	3	4
Gold in ancient seafloor hydrothermal systems	Vein	Gold-lower sulphide-quartz.	Tsagaanчулуут, Boroo 7 / MZ 1 / Boroo - Zuun mod / Tsagaan tsakhir uul / P / Baidrag - Burdyn gol / Bumbat, Nariin gol / PZ1 // Zaamar - Ugtaaltsaidam/ Narantolgoi, Suzigt / MZ1 // Boroo - Zuun mod / Tsagaan tolgoi / O // Altankhokhii - Tsagaan tolgoi / Boroo, Tsagaangozgor, Bayantsagaan / MZ 1 / Boroo-Zuun mod /
		Gold - sulphide - quartz	Bayan uul / MZ2 // Tsav /, Tarvagatai / MZ2 // Azargyn gol
		Gold-sulphide-quartz vein and wall rock alteration type	Nomint, Soeco-Under / MZ2 // Dochiin gol /, Ereen group / MZ1 // Teshig/
		Au - Ag - Pb - Zn - quartz vein and wall rock alteration type	Zaagiin khondii, Tsagaan khondii . Ilturuut / MZ2 // Dochiin gol /
		Au - Ag - Cu - quartz	Ovor khooloi, Bor-Under, Burgast / MZ2 // Dochiin gol /
		Au - As - quartz	Urliin ovoo, Dagai, Kharguit / MZ2 // Dornot /
		Au - Ag - As - Sb - quartz vein and wall rock alteration type	Delberekh bulag group / MZ2 // Narsyn khondlon /
		Au - Ag - As - Sb - Te - quartz vein and wall rock alteration type	Borts uul / V-E1 // Khirgis nuur /, Naran davaa / V-E1 // Govi - Altai /
		Gold-magnetite-hematite-quartz vein and stocwork	Bayan-Airag, Shuvuu uul / R // Urgamal-Zavkhanmandal /
		Gold rich copper massive sulphides	Bayan-Airag, Shuvuu, Zun shuvuu, Burkheer kyar uul / R / Urgamal - Zavkhan mandal /
Gold in ancient seafloor hydrothermal systems	Volcanogenic sulphides	Gold rich copper massive sulphides	Bayan-Airag, Shuvuu uul / R // Urgamal-Zavkhanmandal /
	Metalliferous sediments	Gold-bearing silicate formation / quartzite /	Bayan-Airag, Zun shuvuu uul / R // Urgamal-Zavkhanmandal /
	Ancient placer	Gold-sulphide-quartz veining	Gold-bearing conglomerates

4.4. The vein class of gold deposits and occurrences is distributed widely (fig. 2, 3, 4, 6, 7) and is well studied than others. Most of gold deposits of Mongolia belong to the class or the class is traditional in Mongolia. The size of known deposits varies from few ten kilograms to few ten tons. The mineral composition of the class varies in wide arrange, so we subdivide the class into several types by its mineral assemblages. Wall rock alterations are developed very widely in some deposits and occurrences forming bulk mineable deposits (The Boroo deposit of Boro - Zuun mod district). The mineral composition of the class become more complex from older to younger metallogenic epoches. Forexample, arsenic, antimony, tellurium, lead, zinc, silver, copper and thier minerals become to play more role in composition of Mesozoic, specially in Upper Mesozoic deposits and occurrences.

5. Known gold-bearing and gold deposits and occurrences developed in ancient seafloor hydrothermal systems are discovered in western part of Mongolia in Upper Proterozoic to Early Cambrian " Lake " structure - formation zone (fig. 3). The group subdivides into two classes: volcanogenic gold rich massive sulphides and metalliferous sediments. The gold rich massive and disseminated sulphide deposits and occurrences distributed in Khirgis nuur and Govi - Altai districts belong to copper sulphide type. The class of metalliferous sediments are presented by gold rich silicate - oxide iron , silicate formations and disseminated sulfide and gold - sulphide - quartz - veining types. Known occurrences of these types are discovered in Urgamal - Zavkhanmandal district.

6. The group of ancient gold placers is new in Mongolia and they are also bad studied . Known occurrences of the group are a primary source of several gold placer deposits. Gold-bearing conglomerates of Permian, Jurassic and Cretaceous age belong to the group.

GOLD-BEARING METALLOGENIC EPOCHES

Known lode gold and gold-bearing deposits and occurrences of Mongolia formed in Archaean to Early Proterozoic, Upper Proterozoic, Early Paleozoic, Middle Paleozoic, Upper Paleozoic, Upper Paleozoic to Early Mesozoic and Upper Mesozoic metallogenic epoches(see fig. 1,2,3,4,5,6,7). Main chacterictics of them are shown in the table 2.

SPACE DISTRIBUTION

There are 55 gold-bearing districts in the territory of Mongolia (fig. 8). Main characteristics of them are shown in the table 3. Mostly on the territory of gold-bearing districts are distributed deposits and occurrences of gold and other mineral resources related spatially and geneticaly and of one metallogenic epoch. But there are some more complicate districts, which has gold deposits and occurrences of two or more metalogenic epoches. For last we belong the Baidrag - Burdyn gol and Tuin - Taatsyn gold districts of Bayankhongor metallogenic zone. The situation depends from tectonic-structure position of the zone. The zone consists from Archaean to Early Proterozoic metamorphic, Upper Proterozoic turbidite, Early Cambrian sea floor and turbidite, Middle Cambrian to Ordovician turbidite narrow structure - formation zones had own mineral resources and gold mineralization. These zones are activized tectonicaly and magmaticaly in Upper Paleozoic to Early Mesozoic epoche and on all of them are distributed Upper Paleozoic to Early Mesozoic gold deposits and occurrences.

Tab.2. Metallogenic evolution and Geodynamic situation of Gold Mineralization in the territory of Mongolia

Metallogenic epoch	Geodynamic situation	Genetical types of Gold oreformation	Main types of deposits	Goldbearing areas
1	2	3	4	5
Upper Proterozoic	Seafloor	Sediment -rift environments with auriferous hydrothermal precipitates	Silicate formation horizons with low-grade gold & copper	Urgamal-Zavkhanmandal
			Silicate-oxide iron formations	Urgamal-Zavkhanmandal
	Active continental margin	Intrusion-related /Basite-granitoid pluton/	Disseminated or massive sulphides in schists	Urgamal-Zavkhanmandal
			Gold-quartz vein & stockworks	Urgamal-Zavkhanmandal. Khugin-gol
Early Paleozoic	Island arc	Intrusion-related /Porphyric intrusions/	Gold-quartz veins & disseminated sulphide-quartz	Baidrag-Burdyn gol
			Gold-copper & copper-gold porphyry	Govi-Almai / Beger /
	Active continental margin	Intrusion-related /Basite-granitoid pluton/	Massive sulphides / copper-kolchedan /	Khirgis nur / Borts uul / Govi-Altai /Naran davaa/
			Gold-copper skarn	Khirgis nur. Urgamal-Zavkhanmandal. Buutsagaan
		Metamorphic mesothermal	Gold-quartz vein & stockworks	Khirgis nur. Ero gol. Zamar
		Metamorphic mesothermal	Gold-quartz vein & stockwork	Tuin-Tatsyn gol

Table 2: continued

1	2	3	4	5
Upper Paleozoic	Island arc	Intrusion-related /Porphyric-intrusions/	Gold-bearing copper-molybdenum porphyry	Tsagantsuvarga
	Active continental margin of Andian type / C - P / in volcano-plutonic terranes /	Intrusion-related /Porphyric-intrusions/	Copper-gold porphyry Copper-gold skarn Breccia-hosted Gold-/magnetite-hematite/-quartz vein Epithermal alunite-kaolinite type	Mandakh, Kharmagtai, Baidrag-Burdyn gol. Govi-Altai, Baidrag-Burdyn gol Govi-Altai, Kharmagtai Kharmagtai Mandakh /Shuteen/, Ikh-Shan-khai
	Active continental margin of Andian /in the northern part of Southern Mongolia/ and Californian type / western part of Mongolia/ / D - C /	Intrusion-related /Basite-granitoid pluton/	Gold-quartz vein Gold-sulphide-quartz vein Stockwork, disseminated gold-scheelite-quartz Replacements in non-carbonate rocks Copper-gold skarn Gold-lead-zinc stockwork Gold-quartz vein	Mandal ovoo, Tsogt ovoo, Bayanleg-Bayangovi Altantsogts, Alman Khokhii-Tsagan tolgoi, Shar khooloi Dungerekh-Tsagan gol, Olgii-Sagsai Burgastain gol, Olgii-Sagsai Burgastain gol Mongol Altai /Dulan khar uul/ Uench-Bodonch
Upper Paleozoic to Early Mesozoic / PZ3 -MZ1 /	Active continental margin of Pacific Ocean type	Metamorphic mesothermal Intrusion-related /Basite-granitoid pluton and stocks, dykes/	Gold-quartz veins Gold-sulphide-quartz vein	Boro-Zunmod, Ero gol, Tuin gol-Tatsyn gol, Uyanga-Taragt, Baljiin gol Boro-Zunmod / Narantolgoi, Sujigt/, Teshig /Ereen/

1	2	3	4	5
			Copper-magnetite-gold-skarn Intrusion hosted replacement & stockwork	Teshig /Teshig 1,2,3/ Boro-Zunmod /Boro. Tsangangoz- gor/
		Intrusion-related /Porphyric intrusion/	Copper-gold porphyry	Ugtaltsaidam / Khadat/
			Gold-porphyry?	Ugtaltsaidam /Ulan gozgor/
		Gold-quartz vein	Gold-quartz vein	Ugtaltsaidam /Erdenetsog ovoo/
		Sediment hosted	Gold-conglomerate	Uyanga-Taragt, Delgerkhan
Upper Mesozoic / J3 - K1 /	Active continental margin /continental riftogenic volcano- plutonic belt/	Intrusion-related / Basite-granitoide /	Au-Ag-Pb-Zn-quartz vein	Tsav, Dochiin gol
			Breccia hosted Au-Ag- Pb-Zn	Dornot /Ulaan, Mukhar/
			Au-Ag-W-Mo-Cu-bearing stovwork/disseminated	Dochiin gol /Avdar tolgoi/
			Au-Fe ₂ O ₃ -Fe ₃ O ₄ -quartz vein and stockwork	Narsyn khondlon /Delberekh bulag/
			Au-Sb-As -quartz vein & replacement	Dochiin gol /Bor ondor, Ovor kholoi, Burgast/
			Au-As -quartz-vein	Dochiin gol /Zagjin khondii, Tsagaan khondii/
			Au-Te-quartz vein & replacement	Dornot / Uriiin ovoo. Kharguit, Dagai /
			Au-Ag-W-Fe-Cu-skarn	Dochiin gol /Erdenetolgoi/
		Volcanic-related epither- mal	Au-Ag-vein & replacement disseminated / adularia-sericite type/	Onon-Berkh, Turgen gol, Baljin gol, Bulgan
		Sediment hosted	Gold-conglomerate	Ero gol. Zamar

CONCLUSION

Hard rock gold exploration in Mongolia is at a lower level and known gold occurrences of several genetic groups and types of several metallogenic epoches are numerous and widespread, that shows yet there is potential.

ABBREVIATIONS

Standart chemical symbols: for example, Au - gold, Ag - silver, Cu - copper, Pb - lead, Zn - zinc, W - tungsten, Mo - molybdenum, Be - beryllium, Sb - antimony, Hg - mercury, Ba - barium, Fe - iron, Sn - tin, As - arsenic, F - fluorine, U - uranium, Te - tellurium, Ni - nickel, PGE - platinum-group elements.

Geologic Time: PR 1 - Early Proterozoic, R - Upper Proterozoic, V-E1 - Vendian to Early Cambrian, PZ1 - Early Paleozoic, O - Ordovician, S - Silurian, D - Devonian, C - Carboniferous, P - Permian, PZ3 - Upper Paleozoic, MZ - Mesozoic, MZ1 - Early Mesozoic, MZ2 - Upper Mesozoic, J - Jurassic, K1 - Early Cretaceous

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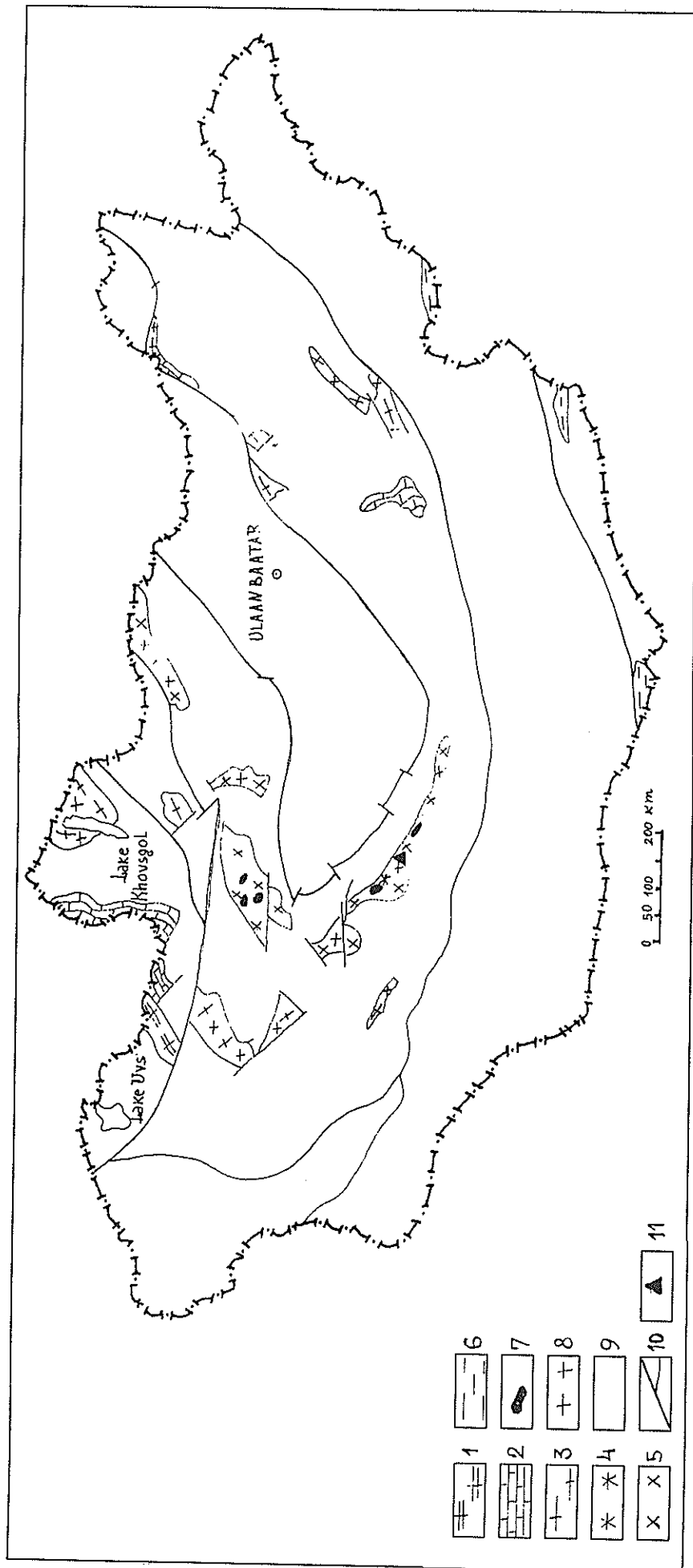


FIG. 1. SCHEME OF DISTRIBUTION OF ARCHEAN TO EARLY PROTEROZOIC STRUCTURES AND GOLD MINERALIZATION IN MONGOLIA

1 - 7 - Archean to Early Proterozoic structures and consisting them formations: 1 - Eclogite - gneisses, 2 - Quartzite - marbles, 3 - Granite - gneisses, 4 - Tonalite - gneisses, 5 - Gneiss - amphibolites, 6 - Gneiss - crystalline schists, 7 - Gabbro - anorthosites, 8 - Granitoides, 9 - Post Archean to Early Proterozoic structures, 10 - Main faults, 11 - Gold occurrences

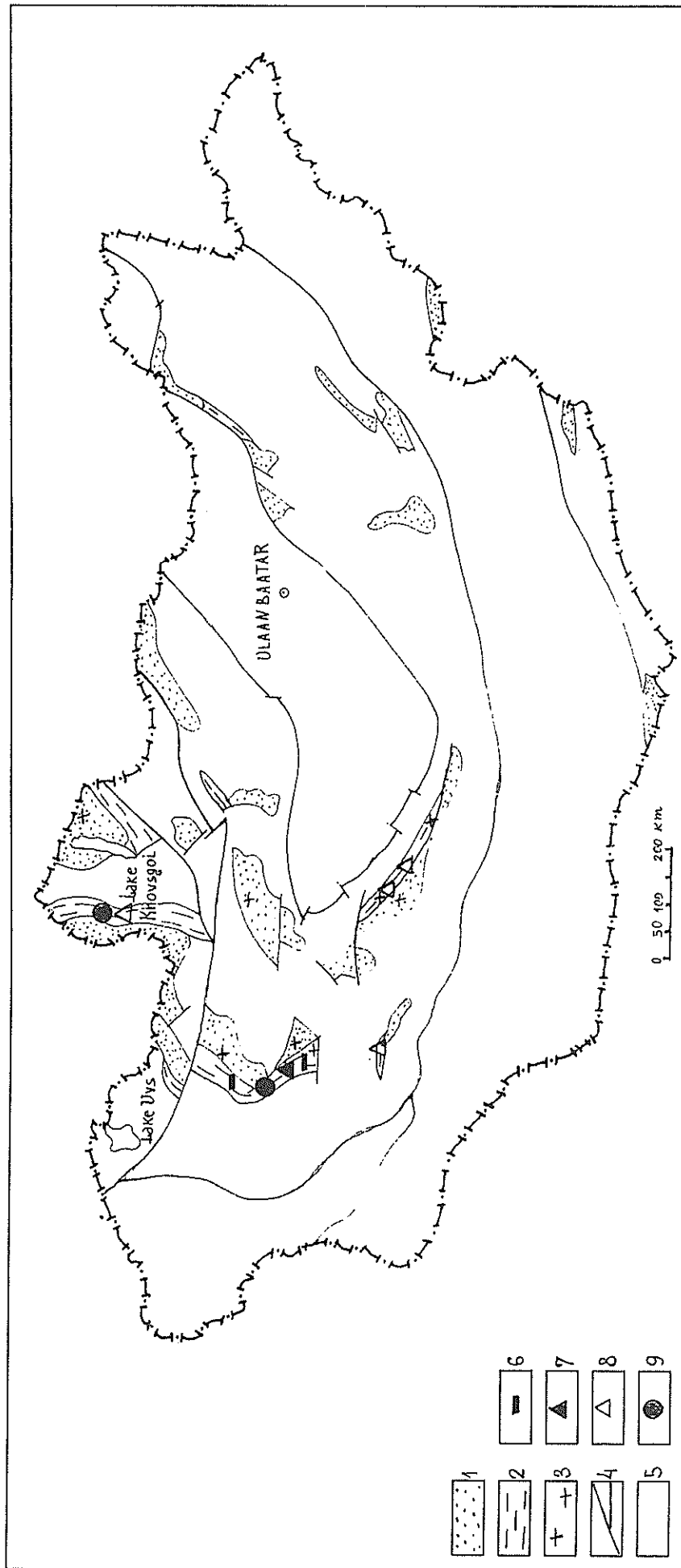


FIG. 2. SCHEME OF DISTRIBUTION OF UPPER PROTEROZOIC (Early to Middle Rephcan) STRUCTURES AND GOLD MINERALIZATION

1 - Archean to Early Proterozoic metamorphic basement, 2 - Upper Proterozoic submarine fan turbidite basins formed on ocean crust, 3 - Upper Proterozoic gabbro-plagiogranite intrusions, 4 - Main faults, 5 - Post Upper Proterozoic structures, 6 - Gold-bearing iron oxide and iron-manganese oxide formation, 7 - Disseminated gold-silicate - oxide type, 8 - Disseminated gold-sulphide-quartz veinlets and gold-quartz subordinate mesothermal veins, 9 - Gold-quartz and gold-sulphide-quartz veins and stockwork related to intrusion.

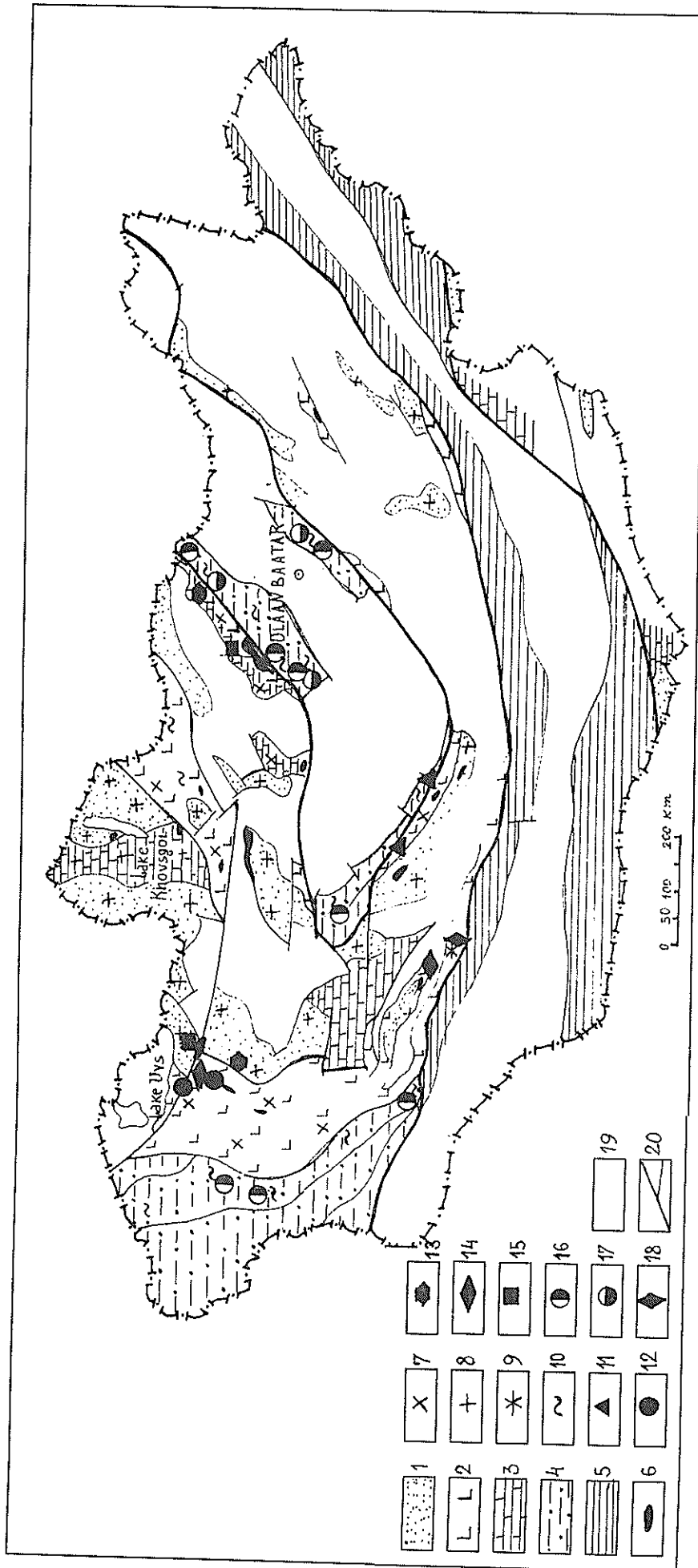


FIG. 3. SCHEME OF DISTRIBUTION OF EARLY PALEOZOIC (R3-V-E-O-S) STRUCTURES AND GOLD AND GOLD-BEARING DEPOSITS AND OCCURRENCES IN MONGOLIA (Early Paleozoic structures are shown after Byamba J., 1993).

1 - Archean to Proterozoic metamorphic basement, 2 - 3 - Upper Riphean to Early Cambrian structures formed on continental crust, 4 - Middle Cambrian to Ordovician structures formed on transitional crust, 5 - Early Paleozoic structures formed on continental crust, 6 - 9 - Cambrian intrusive rocks: 6 - Gabbroides, 7 - Gabbro-plagiogranite-granites, 8 - Diorite-granodiorite-granites, 9 - Porphyry intrusions; 10 - Ordovician and Silurian intrusions; 11 - 15 - Cambrian gold and gold-bearing deposits and occurrences: 11 - Disseminated gold-sulphide-quartz subordinate veinlets, 12 - Gold-sulphide-quartz veins, 13 - Gold-copper skarns, 14 - Gold-bearing copper massive and disseminated sulphides in basalt, 15 - Gold-bearing sulphides in gabbro; 16 - 17 - Ordovician and Silurian gold deposits and occurrences: 16 - Gold-quartz, and gold-sulphide-quartz veins, 17 - Disseminated replacement type in noncarbonate rocks; 18 - Porphyry gold-copper, 19 - Post Early Paleozoic structures, 20 - Fau, s.

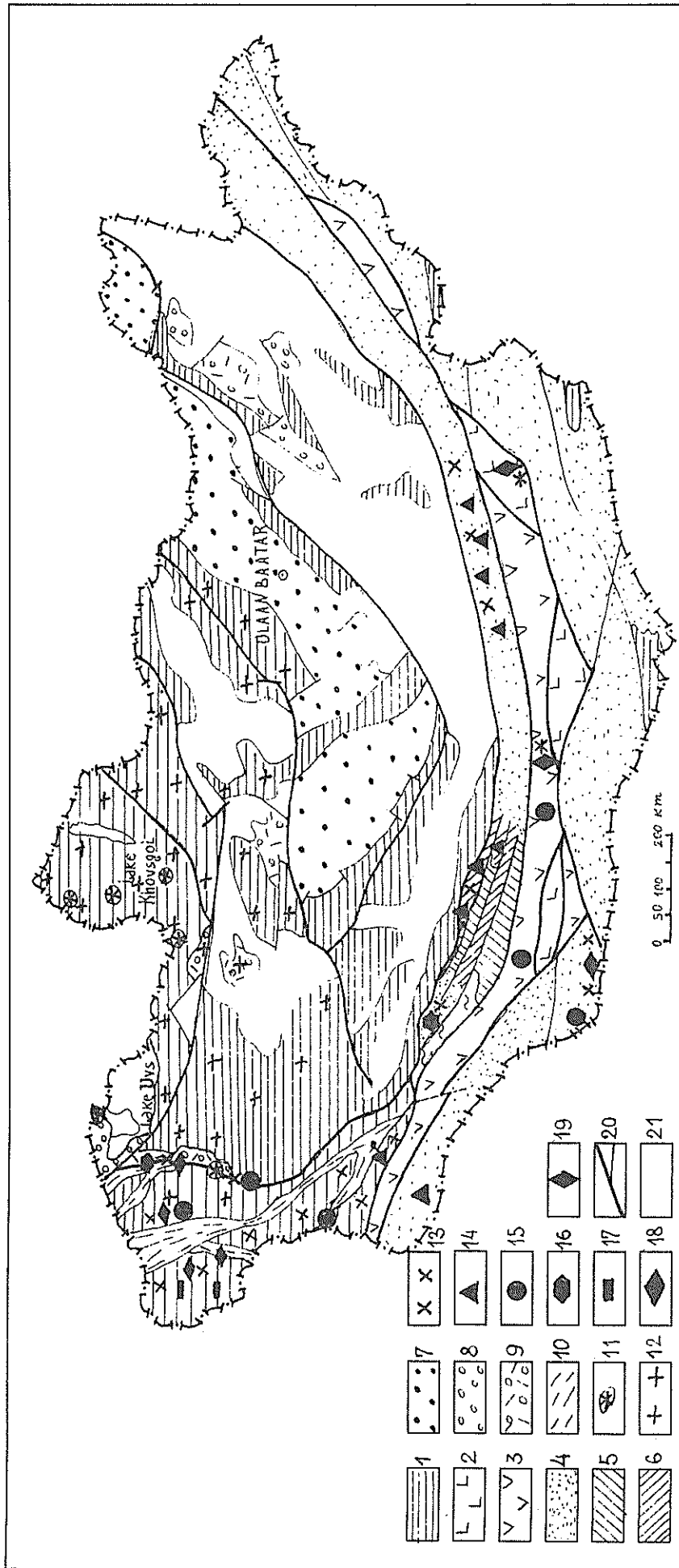


FIG. 4. SCHEME OF DISTRIBUTION OF MIDDLE PALEOZOIC (S - D - C) STRUCTURES AND GOLD AND GOLD-BEARING DEPOSITS AND OCCURRENCES IN MONGOLIA (Hercynian structures are shown after Byamba J., 1993).

1 - Precambrian and Caledonian folded structures, 2 - 6 - Early Hercynian structures of Southern Mongolian Hercynian folded belt: 2 - Island arcs formed on ocean crust, 3 - Island arcs formed on continental crust, 4 - Continental sholts and slopes, 5 - 6 - Backarc basins and uplifts of Andian type island arc: 5 - Uplifts with terrigeny-carbonite-volcanic rocks, 6 - Basins with terrigeny-volcanic rocks; 7 - 10 - Hercynian structures of Northern Mogolian folded belt: 7 - Interplate sea basins, 8 - Continental terrigenic basins, 9 - Continental terrigeny-volcanic basins, 10 - Riftogenic structures; 11 - 13 - Intrusive formations: 11 - Alkaline intrusions, 12 - Subalkaline granitoid intrusions, 13 - Gabbro-plagiogranite intrusions; 14 - 19 - Gold deposits and occurrences: 14 - Subordinate mesothermal gold-quartz veins, 15 - Gold-sulphide-quartz veins, 16 - Gold - copper skarns, 17 - Gold-sulphide-sheelite-quartz veins and stocworks, 18 - Disseminated replacement type in noncarbonite rocks, 19 - Porphyry molybdenum - copper; 20 - Main faults, 21 - Post Hercynian structures.

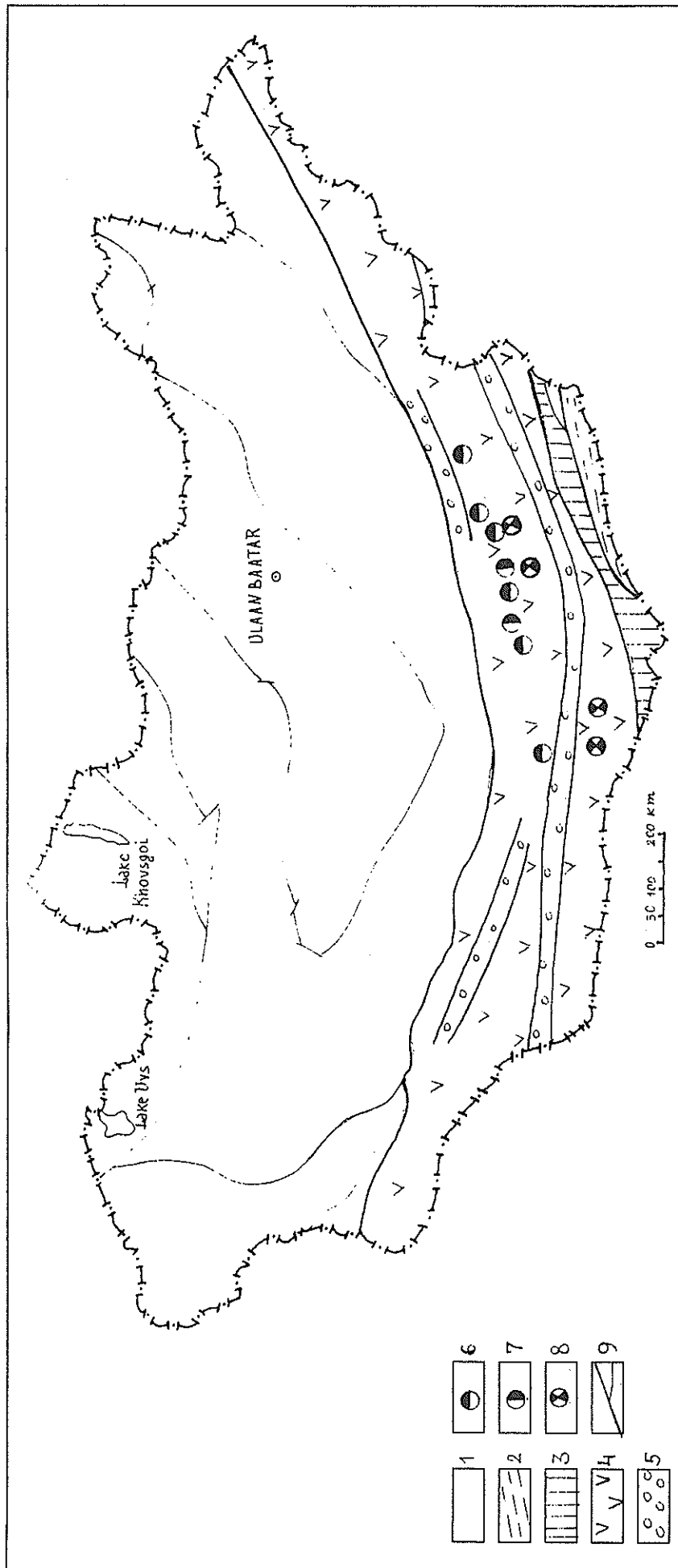


FIG.5. SCHEME OF DISTRIBUTION OF UPPER HERCYNIAN STRUCTURES AND GOLD AND GOLD-BEARING DEPOSITS AND OCCURRENCES IN MONGOLIA (Upper Hercynian structures are shown after Byamba J., 1993).

- 1 - Pre-Upper Hercynian structures, 2 - 5 - Upper Hercynian structures: 2 - Ocean riftogenic zone, 3 - Continental slope, 4 - Continental margin volcano-plutonic arc,
- 5 - Continental riftogenic zones; 6 - 8 - Gold and gold-bearing deposits and occurrences: 6 - Porphyry gold-copper, 7 - Gold-hematite-magnetite-quartz-veins,
- 8 - Epithermal high sulphide alunite - kaolinite type, 9 - Main faults.

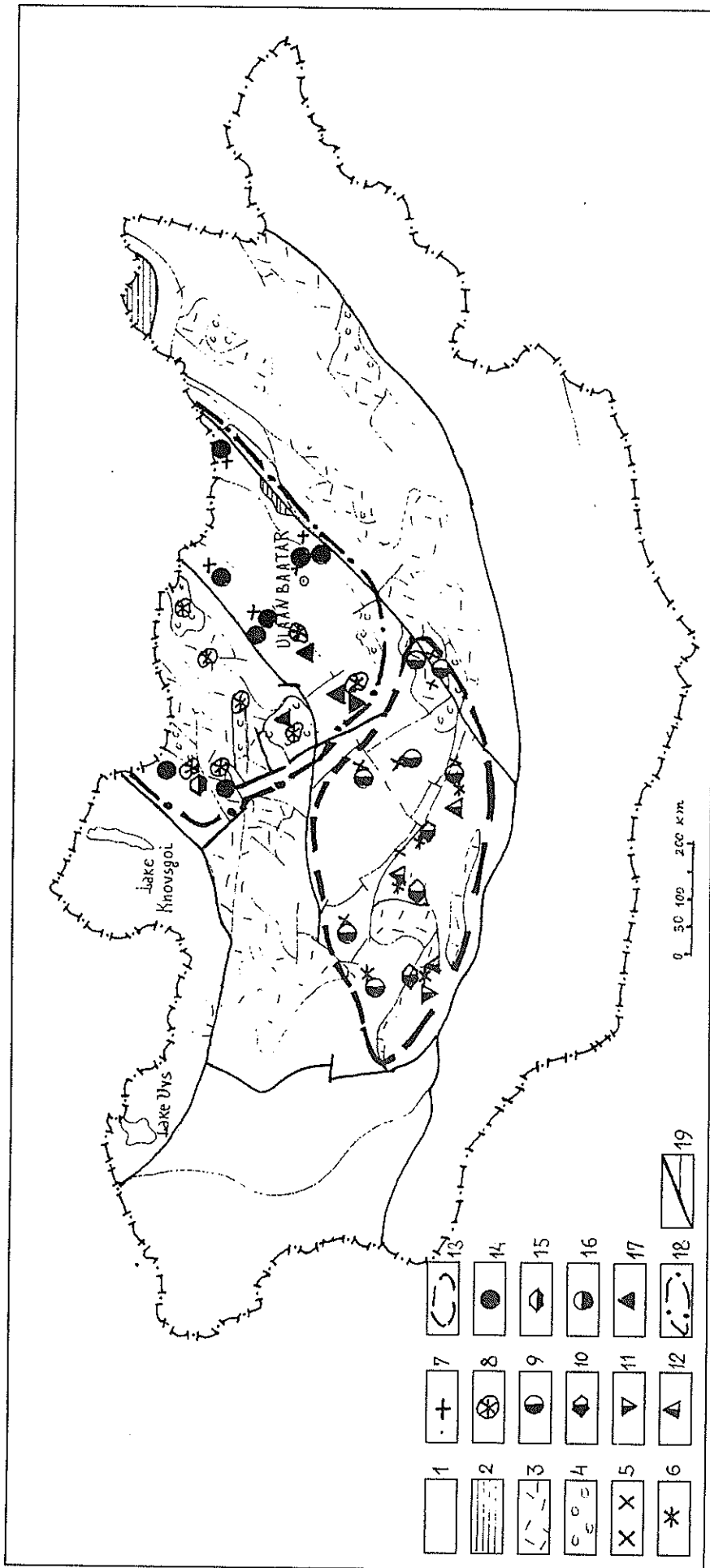


FIG. 6. SCHEME OF DISTRIBUTION OF UPPER PALEOZOIC TO EARLY MESOZOIC ACTIVE CONTINENTAL MARGIN STRUCTURES AND GOLD AND GOLDBEARING DEPOSITS AND OCCURRENCES IN MONGOLIA

1 - Caledonian and Hercynian folded structures. 2 - 3 - Permian to Early Triassic structures: 2 - Interplate sea basins. 3 - Continental riftogenic structures. 4 - Middle Triassic to Early Jurassic terrigenous and terrigenous-volcanic basins. 5 - Upper Paleozoic pre-batolite small intrusions and dykes. 6 - Upper Paleozoic subalkaline latite and porphyry intrusions. 7 - Early Mesozoic pre-batolite small intrusions and dykes, 8 - Early Mesozoic subalkaline latite and porphyry intrusions. 9 - 12 - Upper Paleozoic gold and gold bearing deposits and occurrences: 9 - Gold-quartz and gold-sulphide-quartz veins. 10 - Gold-copper skarns. 11 - Breccia-hosted gold. 12 - Gold-bearing copper porphyry. 13 - Area of distribution of Upper Paleozoic gold mineralization. 14 - 17 - Early Mesozoic gold and gold-bearing deposits and occurrences: 14 - Gold - quartz and gold-sulphide-quartz veins. 15 - Gold-iron-copper skarns. 16 - Gold-hematite-magnetite-quartz veins. 17 - Gold-bearing porphyry copper. 18 - Area of distribution of Early Mesozoic gold mineralization. 19 - Main faults.

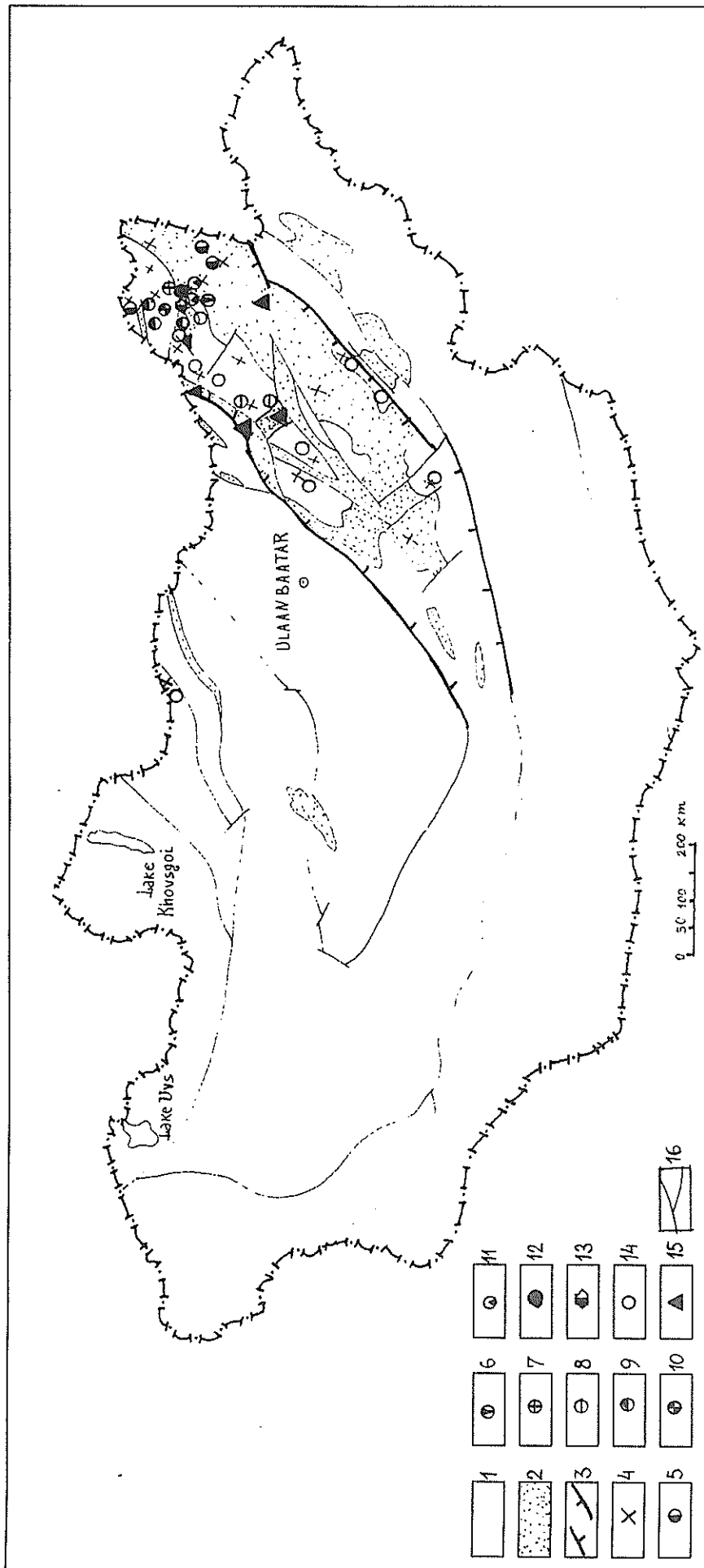


Fig. 7. SCHEME OF DISTRIBUTION OF UPPER MESOZOIC CONTINENTAL RIFTOGENIC STRUCTURES AND GOLD AND GOLDBEARING DEPOSITS AND OCCURRENCES IN MONGOLIA

1 - Pre-Upper Mesozoic structures, 2 - Upper Mesozoic volcanic structures, 3 - Area of distribution of gold and goldbearing deposits and occurrences, 4 - Subalkaline latite and porphyry intrusions, 5 - 13 - Gold and goldbearing deposits and occurrences related to subalkaline intrusions: 5 - gold-silver-lead-zinc-quartz-veins, 6 - Breccia - hosted gold-silver-lead-zinc, 7 - Gold-silver-tungsten-molybdenum-copper-quartz stockworks, 8 - Gold-hematite-magnetite-quartz veins and stockworks, 9 - Gold-silver-antimony-arsenic-quartz veins and stockworks, 10 - Gold-arsenic-quartz veins, 11 - Gold-tellurium-quartz veins and stockworks, 12 - Gold-silver-copper-quartz veins, 13 - Gold-silver-copper-tungsten skarns, 14 - Gold-tungsten-(molybdenum)-quartz veins and stockworks, 15 - Epithermal gold-quartz veins and replacement disseminated types related to volcanic rocks, 16 - Main faults

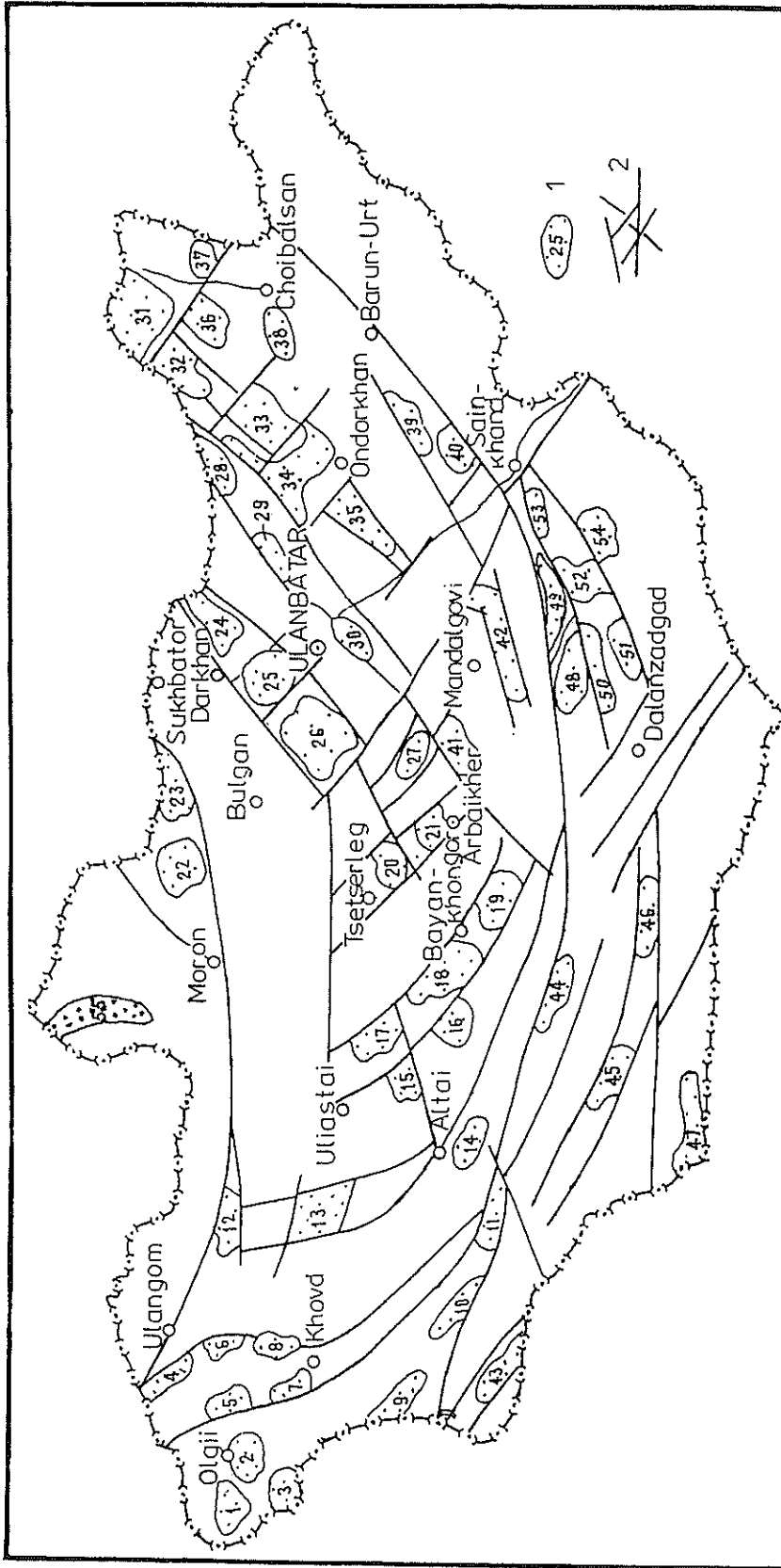


Fig.8 Schema of distribution of goldbearing areas of Mongolia (G. Dejirma)

1-Goldbearing areas; 2-Main deep and regional faults of Mongolia;

P. S. Name and metallogenic specialization of goldbearing areas are shown in the table 3

Tab.3 GOLD-BEARING DISTRICTS OF MONGOLIA AND THEIR METALLOGENIC SPECIALIZATIONS

Number of districts on the fig.1	Name of districts	Metallogenic specialization	Types of gold mineralization	Deposits and occurrences
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1	Dungerekh - Tsagaan salaa	W, Mo, Be, Au, Sb	3 Sheelite-gold-quartz veins and stockworks	4 Mushgii, Khalgat, Zeeriu gol, Dund salaa
2	Olgii - Sagsai	Au, W, Mo, Hg, Ba	Sheelite-gold-quartz veins and stockworks Gold - quartz-veins Stockwork, disseminated & replacement types in non-carbonate rocks	Nariin nuur Dert tolgoi
3	Khurimt	Au	Gold placers	Sagsai Khuiten gol, Elt, Songino uul
4	Unreg nuur	Au, Ag, Fe, Cu	Gold placers	Ijigni gol
5	Altantsogts	Au	Gold-sulphide-quartz veins & replacement complex type	Yamaat, Khoo, Khavtsal, Emeelt, Ovgor
6	Burgastain gol	Au, Cu, Fe, Ba, Pb, Zn	Gold - skarn Stockwork, disseminated & replacement types in non - carbonate rocks Gold placers	Elochka, Khagarlyn, Cenretal, Khagshir bulag
7	Khovd	Au	Gold - quartz - veins Gold - sulphide - quartz veins	Gozgor, Khagshir bulag, Taly salaa Burgastain gol, Shuluun bulag, Taly salaa
8	Altan khokhii - Tsagaan tolgoi	Au, Cu	Gold - sulphide - quartz veins	Khovd Shunshigt uul Tsagaan tolgoi
9	Upper Bulgan	Au	Gold - quartz veins Gold placers	Unnamed occurrences Khuurai sair
10	Uench - Bodonch	Au	Mesothermal gold - quartz veins Gold placers	Unnamed occurrences Uench
11	Shar khooloi	Au	Gold - sulphide - quartz veins Gold placers	Shar khooloi I, II Shar khooloi
12	Khurgis nuur	Cu, Au, W	Gold-bearing massive sulphide / copper / Gold - sulphide - quartz veins & stockworks Gold - skarn	Borts uul Morit uul, Khurgis Bayankhairkhan

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13	Urgamal - Zavkhanmandal	Au, Cu, Fe, Mn, Pb, Zn	Gold - skarn Gold - quartz veins & stockworks Gold-bearing massive sulphides / copper / Gold-bearing silicate -oxide iron formation Gold-bearing silicate /quartzite / formation Gold placers	Erdenekhairkhan Eastern Shuvuu uul, Airag uul Bayan- Airag Bayan-Airag, Shuvuu uul Burkheer khar uul, Shuvuum uul Shuvuum uul
14	Govi - Altai	Au, Cu, Fe, Cr, PGE	Gold-bearing massive sulphides / copper / Gold - skarn Gold - breccia / Breccia - hosted/ Gold-bearing porphyry copper	Naran davaa Tsakhir khudag ore field Tsakhir khudag ore field Tsakhir khudag ore field
15	Unegt	Au, Ag	Gold - quartz veins	Unegt
16	Buutsagaan	Au, Cu, Fe	Gold - copper - iron skarn	Buutsagaan
17	Galut - Gurvan bulag	Au, Sb, Hg, W	Gold - quartz veins	Gurvanbulag
18	Baidrag - Burdyn gol	Au, Cu, Fe	Gold - quartz veins Gold - sulphide - quartz veins Mesothermal gold - quartz veins Mesothermal gold-sulphide disseminated type in black shale Gold-sulphide type in Lower Proterozoic rocks Gold - skarn Gold - breccia / Breccia hosted / Gold-bearing porphyry copper Gold placers	Tsagaan Tsakhir uul Borbogor North I, II, Northern Bombogor Daltyn khondii Kharaat uul Khokh bulgiin khondii Saran uul Saran uul Dovont, Baidrag et. al. placer fields
19	Tuin - Taatsyn gol	Au, W	Gold - quartz veins Mesothermal gold - quartz veins, linestockworks Gold placers	Taatsyn gol Khan uul Taatsyn gol
20	Battsengel	Au	Gold - quartz veins Gold placers	Sodot field Sodot
21	Uyanga - Taragt	Au	Gold - quartz veins Gold-bearing Jurassic conglomerates Gold placers	Uyanga field Uyanga field Ultiin gol
22	Teshig	Au, Cu, Fe, W, Mo	Gold - sulphide - quartz veins Gold - copper - iron skarn	Ereen / Tavn /, Khushuut, Khureet Teshig I, II, III
23	Azargyn gol / Tarvagatai /	Au, W, Mo, Ag, Pb, Zn, Cr, PGE	Gold-sulphide-quartz veins and disseminated & replacement complex type Gold - chromite placer	Tarvagatai Tsagaan bulag

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24	Eroo gol	Au	Gold - quartz veins Stockworks, disseminated and replacement types in non-carbonate rocks Gold placers	Nariin Khargant Buural gol. Gozon shar, Baga Olont Khuder gol. Tolgoit, Bugant, Khargant, Uient. Tsamkhag, Khuiten, Sharyn gol. groups Sharyn gol. Tolgoit. Tsamkhag groups
25	Boroo - Zuun mod	Au	Gold-bearing conglomerates / Lower Cretaceous / Gold - quartz veins Gold - sulphide - quartz veins Gold - quartz veins and disseminated /replacement complex type Gold placers	Tsagaanchuluut, Boroo 7, Billaat et. al. Natanolgoi, Sujigt
26	Zaamar - Ughtaaltsaidam	Au, Cu	Gold - quartz vein Porphyry gold - copper Porphyry gold ? Gold - bearing conglomerates / Lower Cretaceous/ Gold placers	Boroo, Tsagaangozgor, Bayantsagaan Ikh Tashir, Nergui, Nariin khondii Bumbat, Nariin gol fields Khadat Erdenetsog -Ovoo, Ulaangozgor Conglomerates in Zamar field Tuul, Bayangol, Toson, Ar-Naimgan, Khailaast et. al.
27	Delgerkhaan	Au, Cu	Gold-bearing porphyry copper Gold - quartz veins Gold-bearing conglomerates / Upper Permian / Gold placers	Bayan uul Unegt ovoo Bayan Ondrinin field Kharzat
28	Baljiin gol	Au	Gold - quartz veins Stockworks, disseminated and replacement types in non-carbonate rocks Epithermal gold-quartz veins Gold placers	Aguts, Jargalant Khomol Tenuun gol Khomol, Galgatai et. al.
29	Terej	Au	Gold placers	Altan suudal
30	Baruun Urt	Au	Gold placers Gold - quartz veins Gold - sulphide-quartz veins	Baruun Urt Unnamed occurrences Agit
31	Dochiin gol	Pb, Zn, Ag, W, Mo, Sn, Cu, Sb, As, Au, Hg, Fe	Gold - antimony - quartz veins and replacement complex type Gold - arsenic - quartz veins and replacement complex type Gold-bearing silver-lead-zink-quartz veins Gold-bearing porphyry copper-molybdenum Gold-copper-iron skarn Gold-sulphide /copper/-quartz veins	Over khoodoi, Bor - Ondor Zaagin khondii, Tsagaan khondii Baitsyn ovoo, Chonon Avdar tolgoi Erdene tolgoi Nomint, Soeo Ondor

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32	Turgen gol	Au, Ag, Hg, W, Mo	Gold-quartz veins and replacement complex type Epithermal gold-silver-quartz veins Gold placers	Tsagaanchuluut khudag I, Tsagaanchuluut khooloi Tsagaanchuluut khudag II Tsagaanchuluut khudag, Tsagaanchuluut khooloi. Gun Ondoriin khooloi, Arshaant, Ovoljoo Delberekh bulag
33	Narysyn khondlon	Sn, Pb, Zn, An, Ag, Fe, F	Gold-/magnetite-hematite/- quartz veins. stockwork Gold-magnetite-chlorite-actinolite replacements Gold placers	Western Delberekh bulag Salkhit
34	Onon - Berkh	Au, Ag, F, Sn, W, Hg, Sb	Gold-sulphide-quartz veins and replacement in carbonate rocks / complex type/ Epithermal gold-silver -quartz veins	Khokh tolgoi
35	Kherlen	W, Mo, Ag, Pb, Zn, Sn, Au	Gold-quartz veins Gold-sulphide-quartz veins Gold placers	Bayanzurkh, Tsagaan Ulaan Ondor Khoer Zotlig, Bulgijn
36	Dornot	Ag, Pb, Zn, U, Mo, Au, Te	Gold-bearing silver-lead-zinc- breccia Gold-tellurium-quartz veins and replacement complex type Gold-quartz veins Gold placers	Ulaan, Mukhar Dagai, Urtiin ovoo, Khauguit
37	Tsav	Ag, Pb, Zn, Au, Mo	Gold-bearing silver-lead-zinc-quartz veins	Modon, Butan Mukhar khayim khooloi Tsav, Bayan uul, Altan tolgoi
38	Bulgan	Au, Ag	Epithermal gold-quartz veins and disseminated replacement complex type	Group occurrences of Bulgan
39	Buyant	Au, W, Mo, Pb, Zn	Gold - quartz veins	Buyant, Oortsog
40	Altan shiree - Delgerekh	An, Cu, Fe, W	Gold -/magnetite-hematite/-quartz veins Gold-copper-iron skarn	Monkh khoer chuluu, Omno бага chuluu Chandmani uul
41	Erdenedalai	Au	Gold-quartz veins	Sharga ovoo, Tsagaan ovoo
42	Middle Govi	Au, Ag, W, Mo, Sn	Gold - quartz veins Gold-scheelite-quartz veins and stockworks	Salkhit uul Morit uul, Talyn uul
43	Baitag	Au, Ag, Pb, Zn, Sb	Gold - quartz veins Gold-antimony - quartz veins Gold-bearing silver-lead-zinc replacement type	Khaltar uul I, II Olon bulag Nukhnii nuruu
44	Bayanleg - Bayangovi	Au, Cu, W	Gold-quartz veins Gold-copper-iron skarn	Bayangovi, Oortsog Erdene, Shirt
45	Edergenii nuruu	Au	Gold - quartz veins Gold placers	Khadat gunii khudag Khushuut, Khar uul, Khur uul

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46	Nemegt	Au, Cu, Ni, PGE	Gold - quartz veins Gold placers	Unnamed occurrences Toromkhon, Zostyn sair. Alag shandyn sair. Khuren bogdyn sair
47	Talyn meltes - Khatan suudal	Au	Gold- sulphide-quartz veins and disseminated replacement complex type	Talyn meltes. Khatan suudal
48	Mandal Ovoo	Au	Gold - quartz veins and replacement complex type	Olon Ovoot
49	Tsogt Ovoo	Au	Gold - quartz veins	Dayangar. Khoit Kharmagtai. Ukhaa khudag
50	Kharmagtai	Au, Cu, Fe	Porphyry gold - copper Gold-/magnetite-hematite-/quartz veins	Kharmagtai. Ukhaa khudag, Ovoot khyar Unnamed occurrences
51	Ikh Shankhai	Cu, Au, Ag	Epithermal high sulfide gold - quartz vein /alumite-kaolinite type /	Ikh Shankhai
52	Mandakh - Shuteen	Cu, Au, Ag	Gold-bearing porphyry copper Epithermal high sulfide gold - quartz vein / alumite - kaolinite type /	Khongoot, Narin khudag Shuteen
53	Saikhandulaan	Cu, Au, Ag	Gold-bearing porphyry copper	Ovuut
54	Tsagaan suvarga	Cu, Mo, Au, Ag	Gold-bearing porphyry molybdenumcopper	Tsagaan suvarga
55	Khugiin gol	Au, Pb, Zn	Gold - quartz veins and stockworks	Unnamed occurrences