

#### Israel: Seeing Deeper Imaging new play concepts with Clari-Fi™ broadband reprocessing

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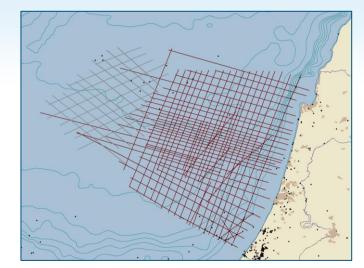
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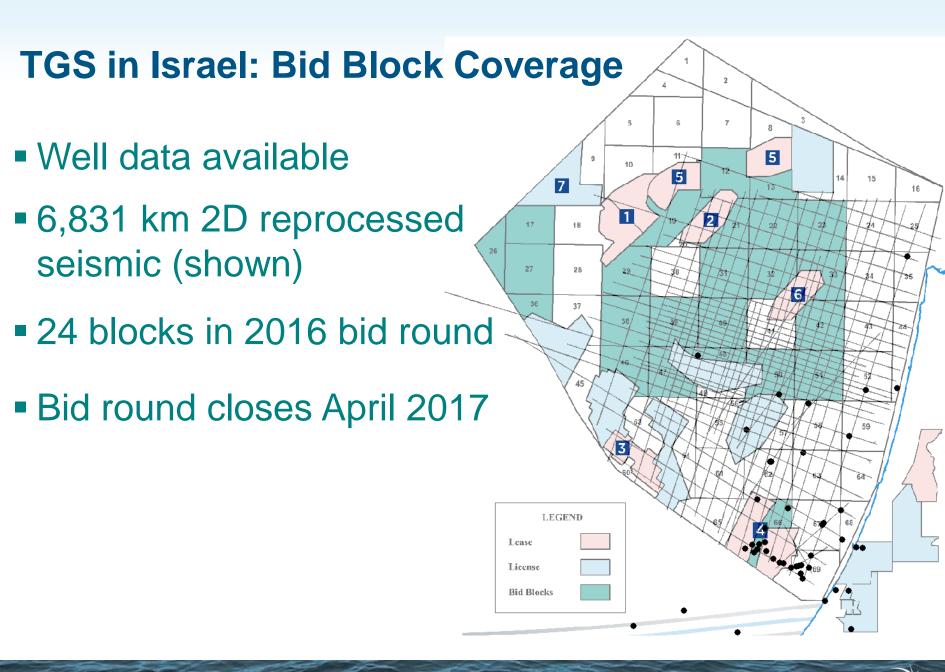
# **TGS in Israel**

- Seismic Data (in bid data pack)
  - 6,831 km in 2001 (vintage)
  - 1,329km in 2008 (Yoad vintage)



- <u>2001</u> Data Broadband reprocessed using TGS Clari-Fi<sup>™</sup> 2016
  - Time Data Complete
  - Depth Data to follow Q1 2017
  - Not in bid data pack
- Digital Well Log Database of 52 workstation ready wells
- Interpretation studies
  - 2016 An Assessment of the Mesozoic Oil Potential of the Levant Basin.
    Vasiliki Kosmidou, Imperial College London. MSc Sponsored by TGS

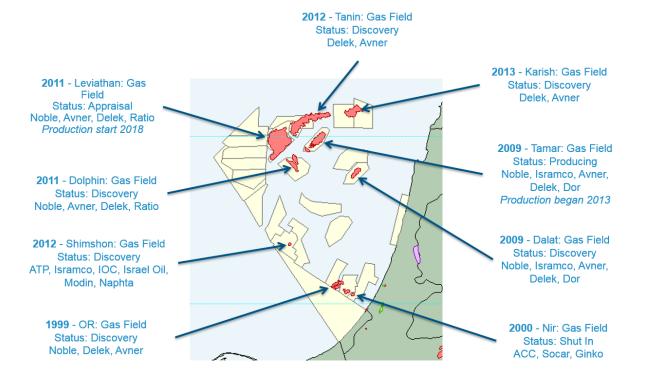






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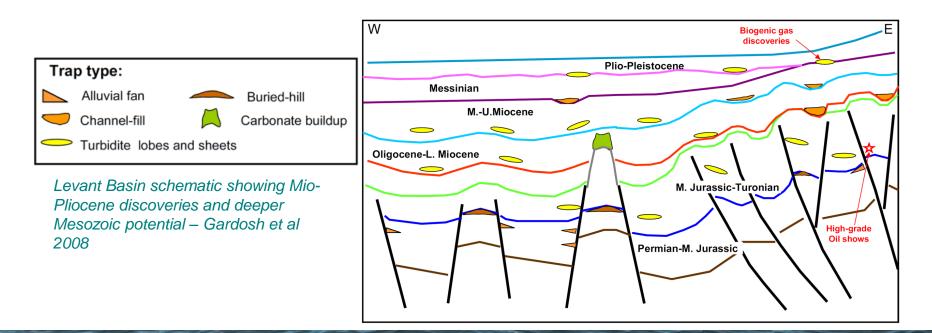
- The Tertiary biogenic gas petroleum system in the Levant Basin has renewed interest in offshore Israel.
- Recent discoveries have opened up an abundance of exploration opportunities within this play, and new broadband reprocessing of seismic data allows for continued identification of shallow prospects.





# **Geological Overview: Play Concepts**

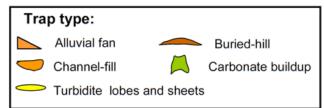
- However, this broadband reprocessing dramatically alters our understanding of the <u>deeper</u> <u>geology</u> of the Levant Basin and, impacts development of deeper Mesozoic play concepts that have only been explored in the shallow water regions previously.
- Mesozoic hydrocarbons have been reported onshore Lebanon (10% TOC reported in Kimmeridgian shales; Terbol-1 well). It is anticipated that these Mesozoic source rocks could generate hydrocarbons if buried offshore due to increased maturity (Roberts & Peace 2007).

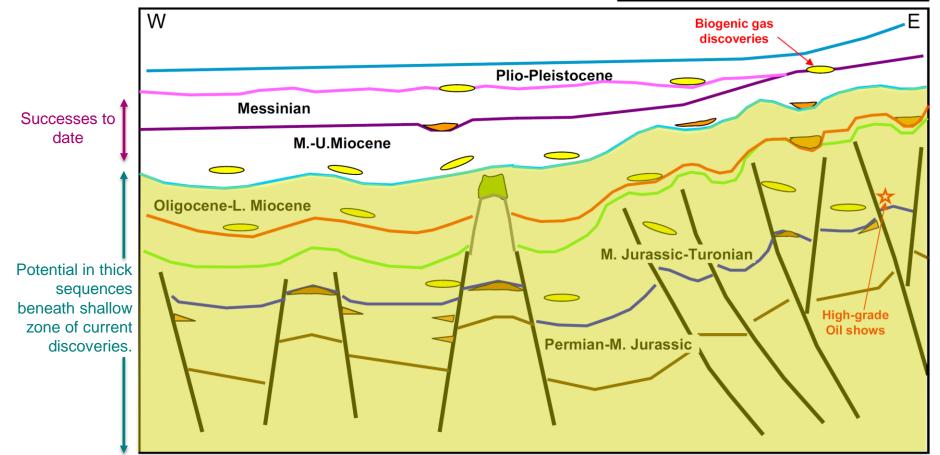




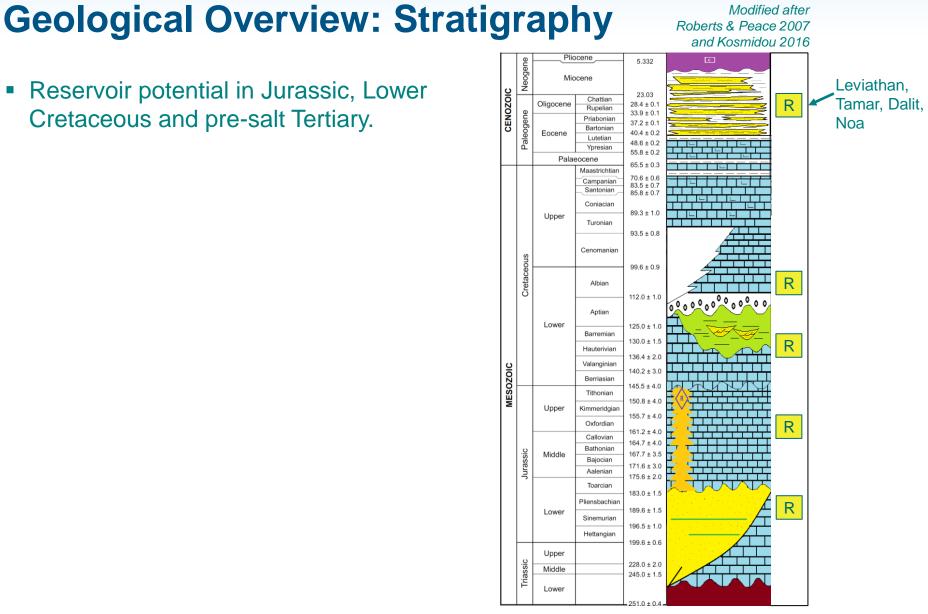
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Levant Basin schematic showing Miocene discoveries and deeper Mesozoic potential – Gardosh et al 2008







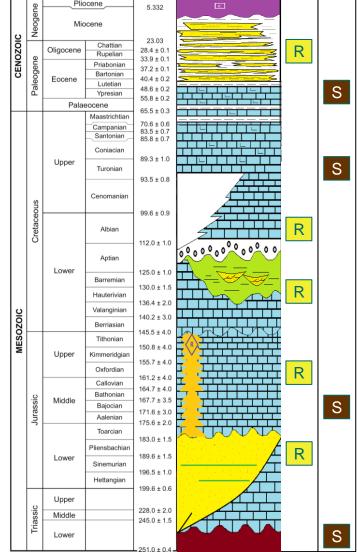


Cretaceous and pre-salt Tertiary.

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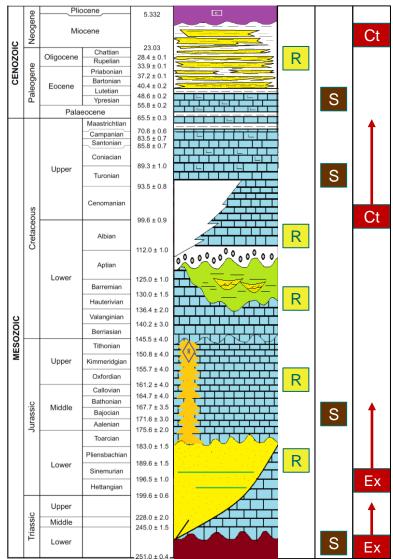


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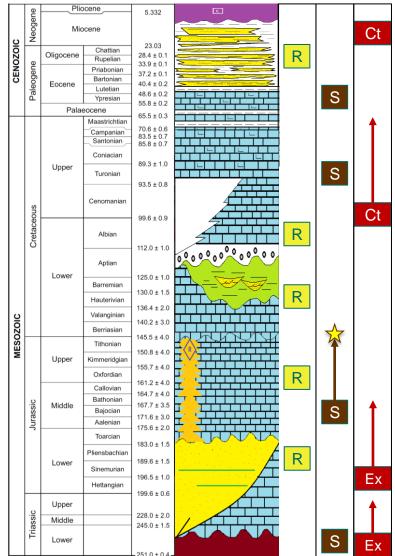
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- Our expectation based on the work by Kosmidou (Imperial College) is that a Middle Jurassic source rock would have reached peak expulsion by the earliest Cretaceous Passive Margin phase; traps in place prior to expulsion.

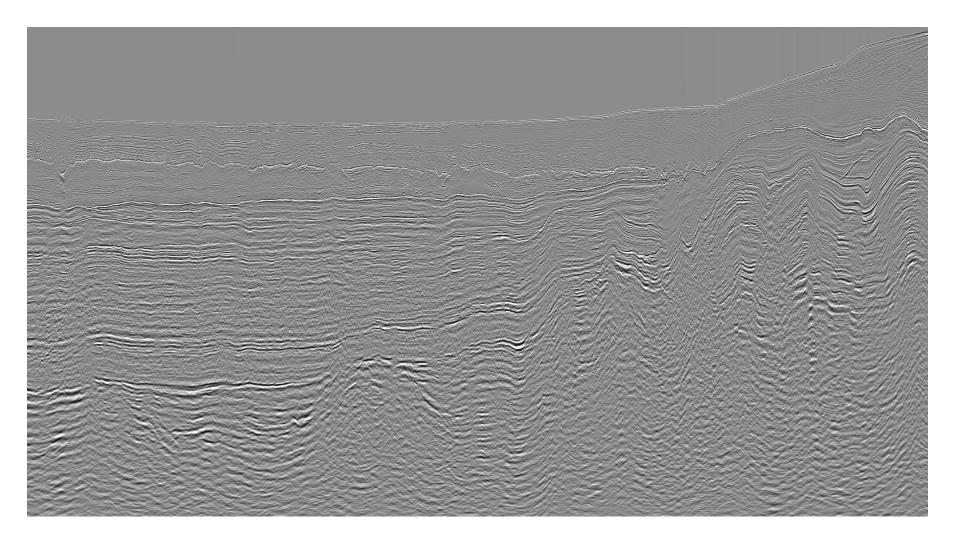




#### **Clari-Fi™ broadband reprocessing data examples**

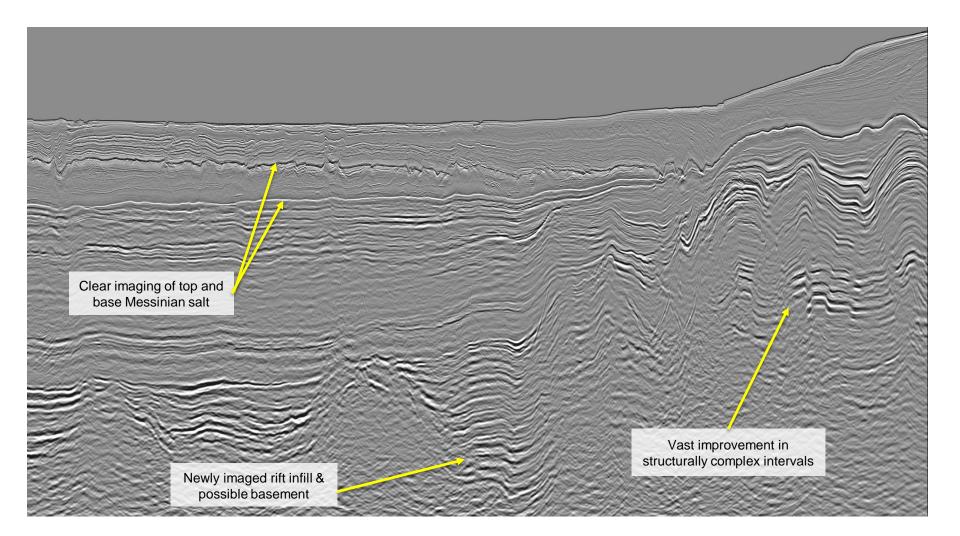


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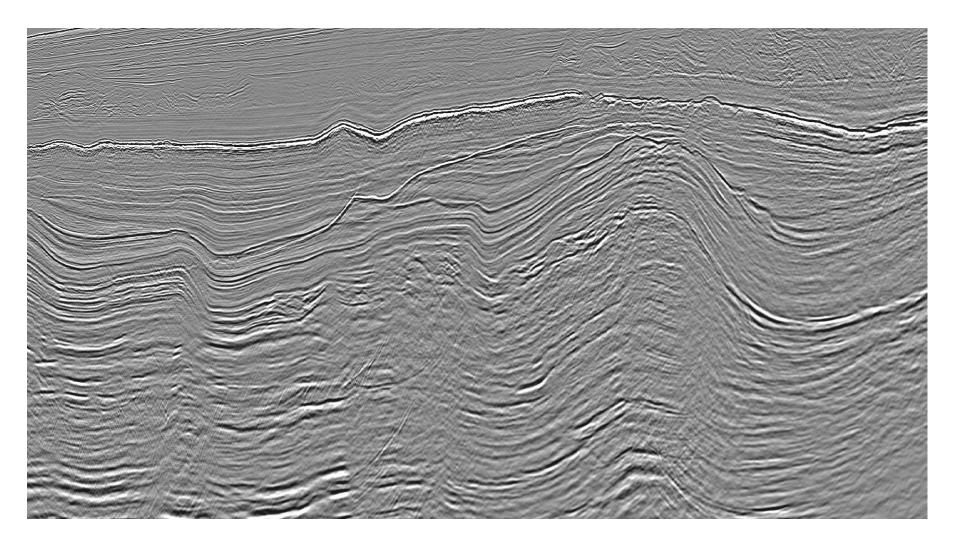


#### 2035-IS – Clari-Fi<sup>™</sup> reprocessed



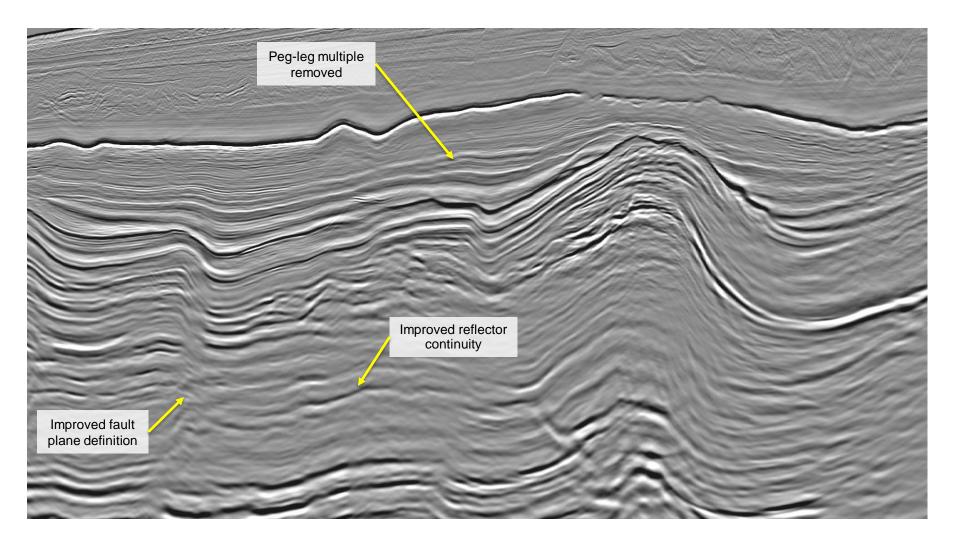


# **2039-IS – Vintage (data pack)**





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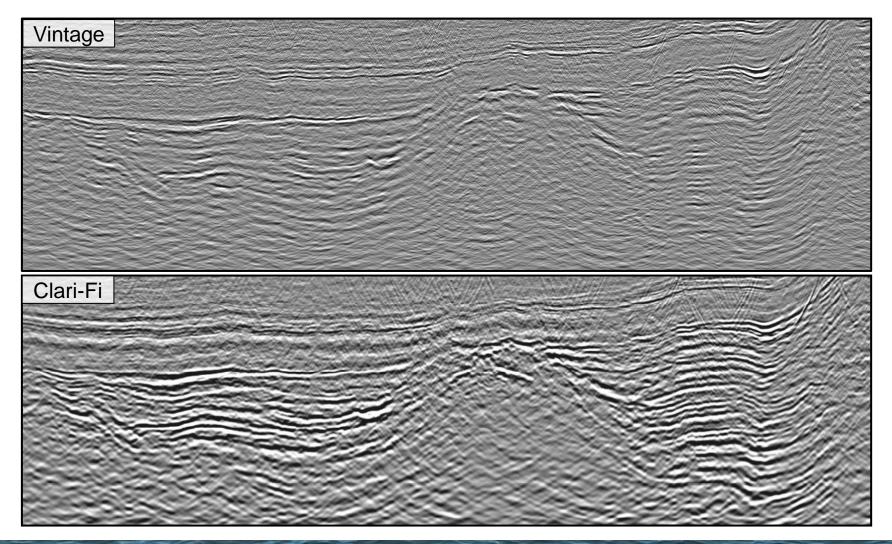


# Imaging new play concepts with Clari-Fi<sup>™</sup>



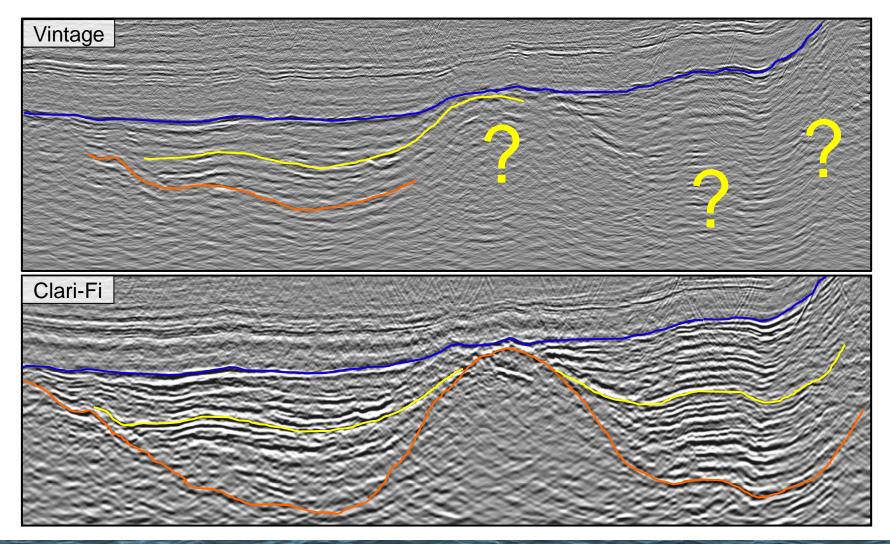
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Comparison between Vintage data and Clari-Fi<sup>™</sup> reprocessed data on deep geological structure.



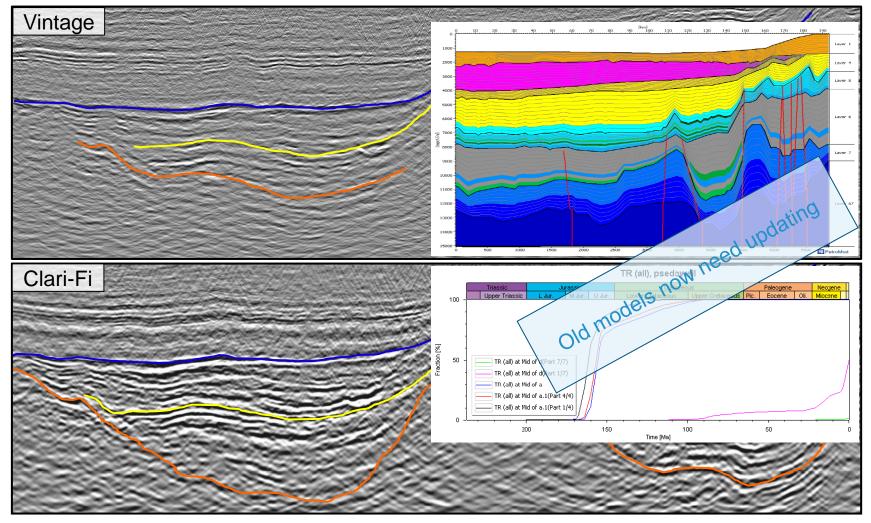


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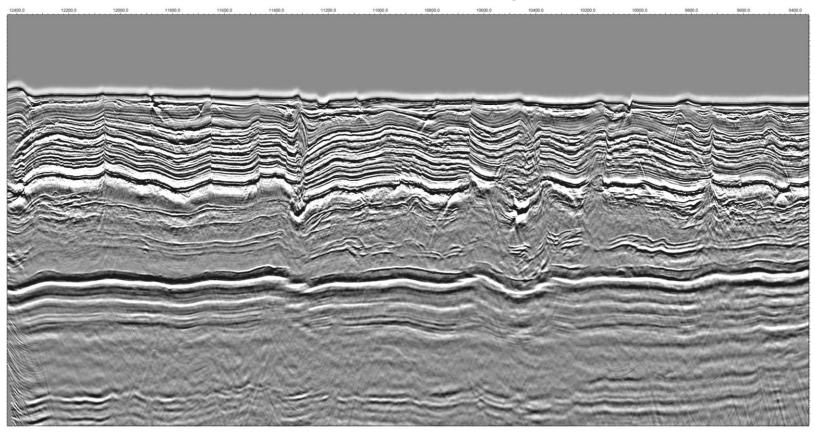


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- This allows for better control on basin temperature models and, hence, petroleum system modelling.





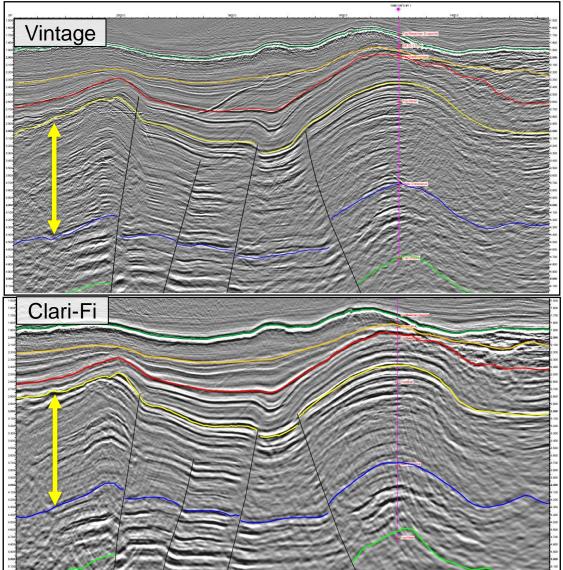
- Improvement within the shallow evaporite sequence is also apparent.
- Clari-Fi<sup>™</sup> reprocessing images greater internal reflectivity within the salt interval, possibly representative of sediment inclusions or variation in evaporite chemistry which would also affect the basin temperature regime.



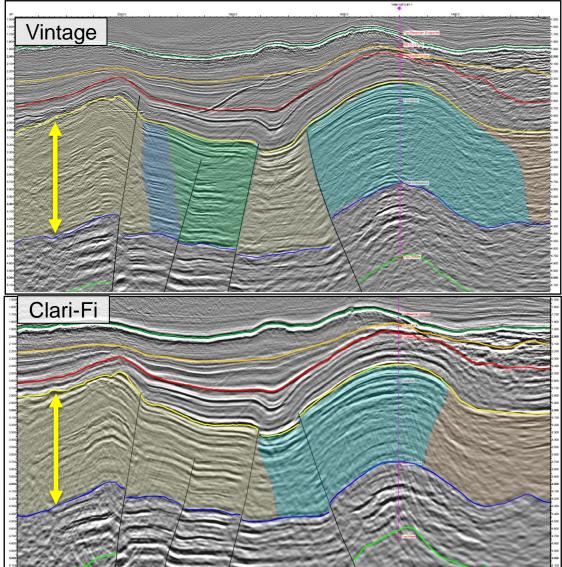


 Mapping of seismic facies and calibrating to well data to understand paleo-environments is a powerful tool for predicting source rock and reservoir distribution.

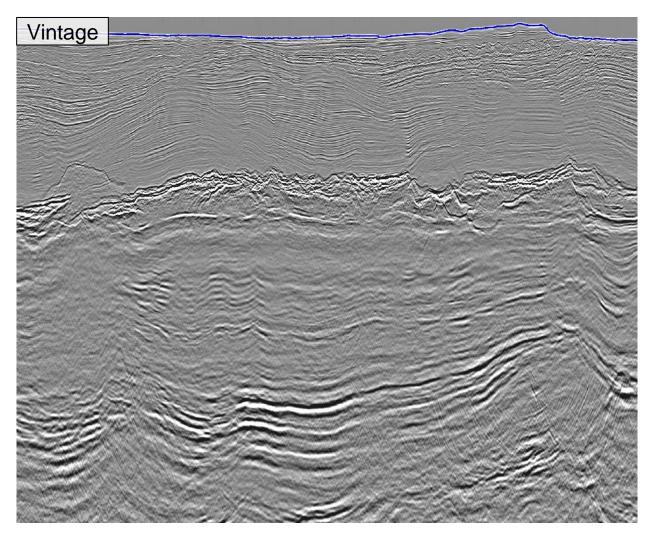
 The megasequence indicated by the yellow arrow consists of at least 5 laterally varying seismic facies units on vintage data...



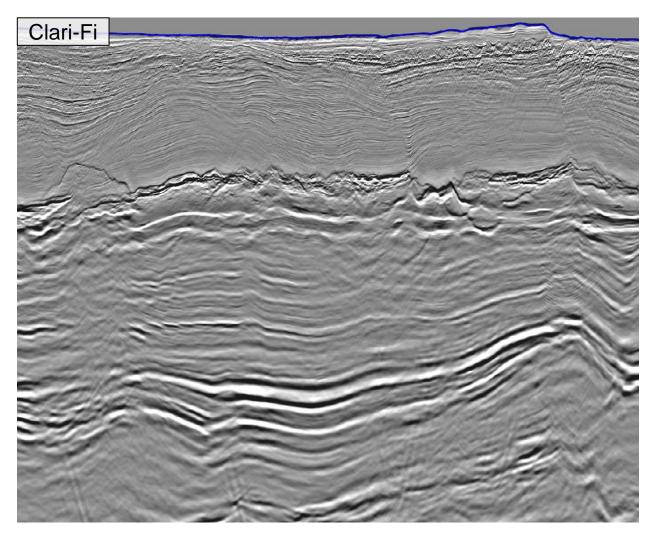
- ...but reprocessing has revealed that these variations (previously predominantly defined by fault and fold geometries) are not representative of the true geology. The reprocessed data shows much better continuity of reflectors and, hence, less separate seismic facies units.
- Clari-Fi<sup>™</sup> reprocessing improves amplitude recovery and redefines seismic facies classifications. This allows for a greater understanding of the key source and reservoir intervals, which will alter paleoenvironment maps and prediction of petroleum systems.



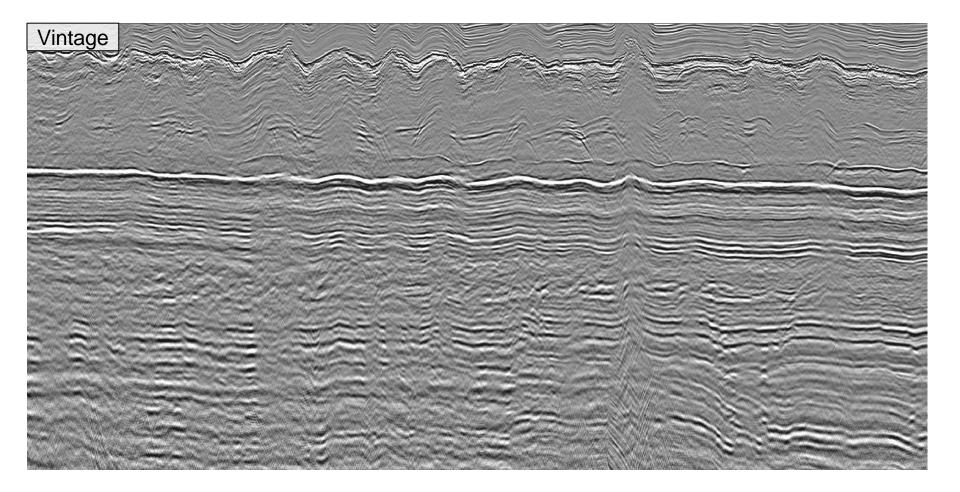




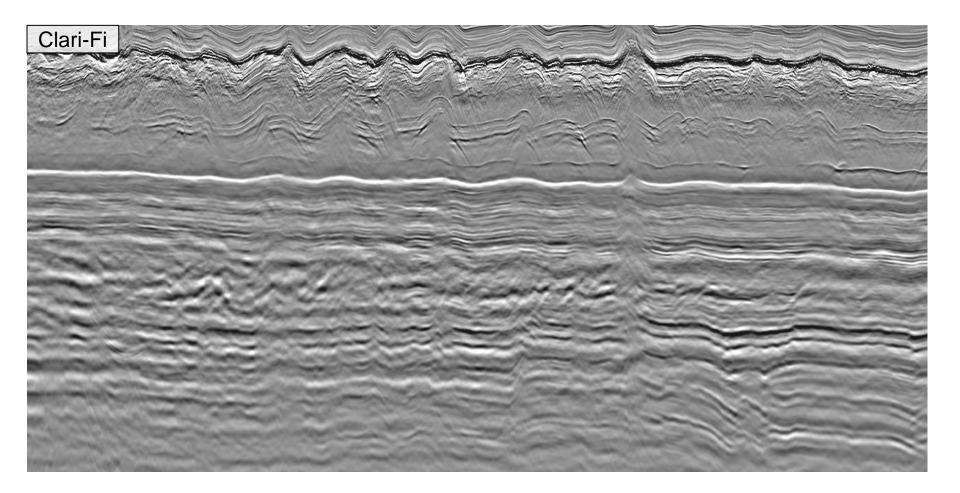






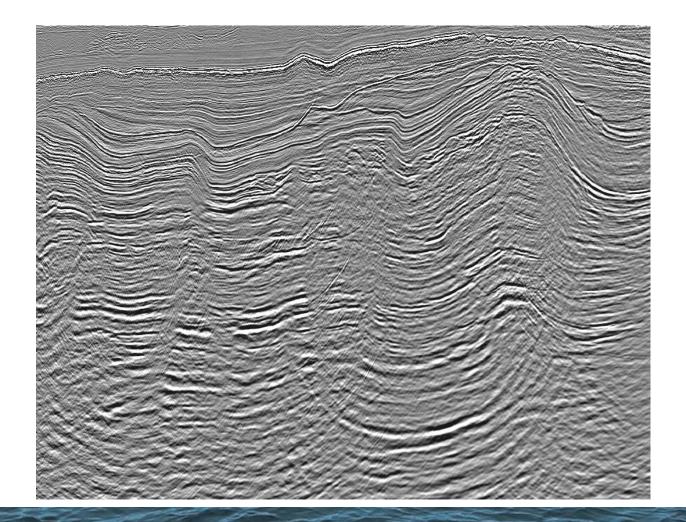






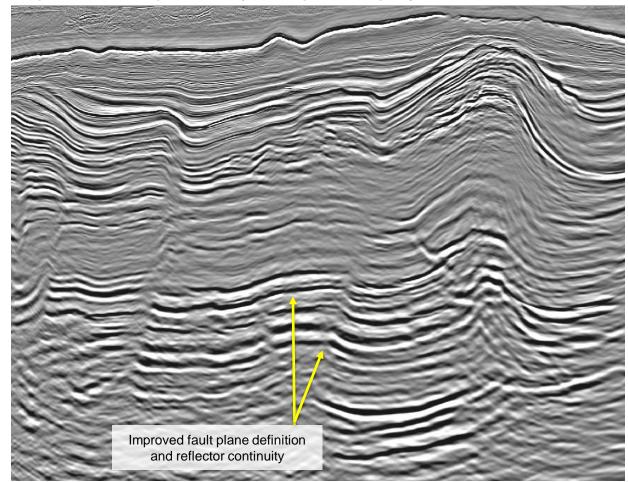


Development of Mesozoic leads and propects (rotated fault blocks and roll-over anticlines) is challenging on vintage seismic data.



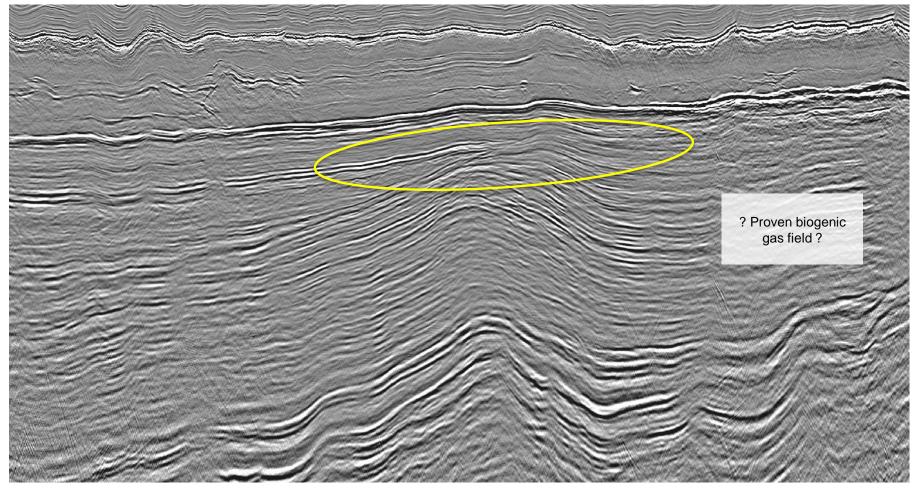


Clari-Fi<sup>™</sup> reprocessing provides much greater definition of roll-over anticlines, tilted fault blocks and thrust-related structures. This allows for more accurate mapping and development of potential traps in as yet unproven plays.



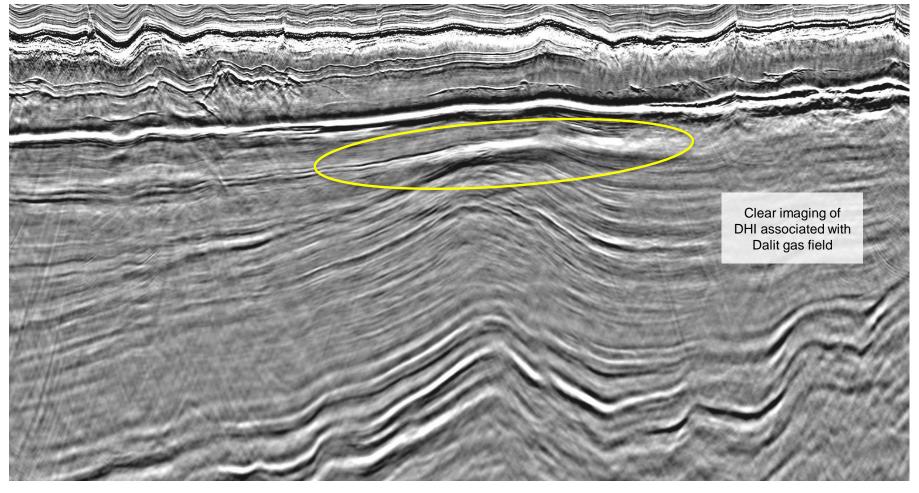


Example of a proven play imaged on vintage data. Obvious anticlinal structure, but no direct hydrocarbon indicators shown on vintage data.





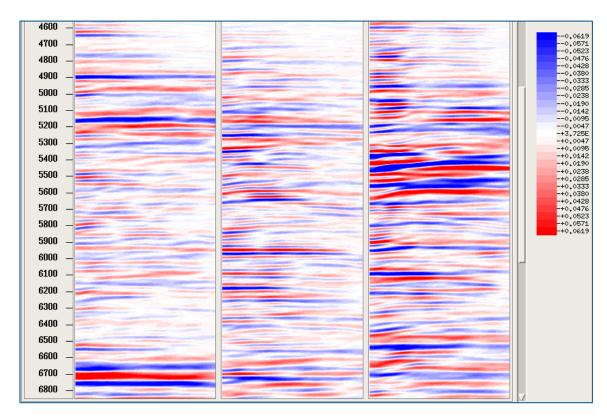
Clari-Fi<sup>™</sup> reprocessed data show strong amplitude anomaly associated with the crest of the field anticline. Recovery of previously unseen DHIs is a significant advantage.





#### 4. Improvements in gather flatness and AVO

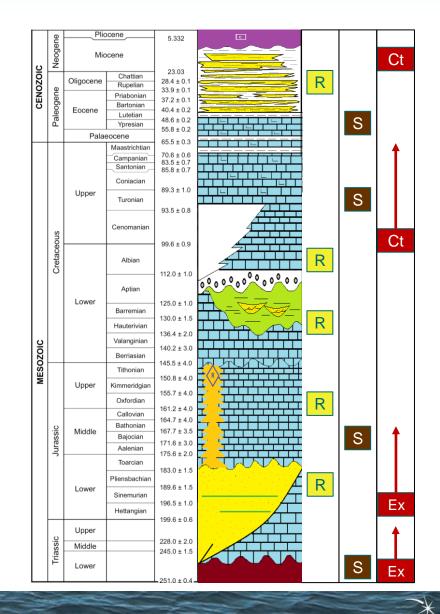
- Gathers examples demonstrate flatness at greater offsets.
- Brighter amplitudes on far-right gather represent amplitude anomaly associated with proven biogenic gas field.
- Reduction of side lobes and improved recovery of amplitudes with offset (AVO) on Clari-Fi<sup>™</sup> data, will also allow for more confident identification of AVO anomalies





# **Israel in Summary**

- Vast, proven reserves of biogenic gas in the Levant Basin.
- Potential for hydrocarbon accumulations within deeper sequences; broadband reprocessing improves imaging of the deeper potential.
  - 1. Improved basin temperature models
  - 2. Increased confidence in facies distribution
  - 3. Better definition of traps
  - 4. AVO recovery
- Improved understanding of both proven and unproven petroleum systems of the basin.



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