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URANIUM IN SUDAN

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Background

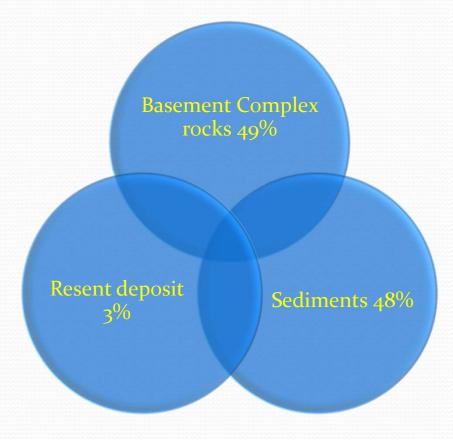
Sudan has a very unique geographical location in Africa. Bordering seven African countries, and also distinguished by its fertile land, heavy rains and the availability of water resources River Nile, Blue Nile, White Nile, and underground water.

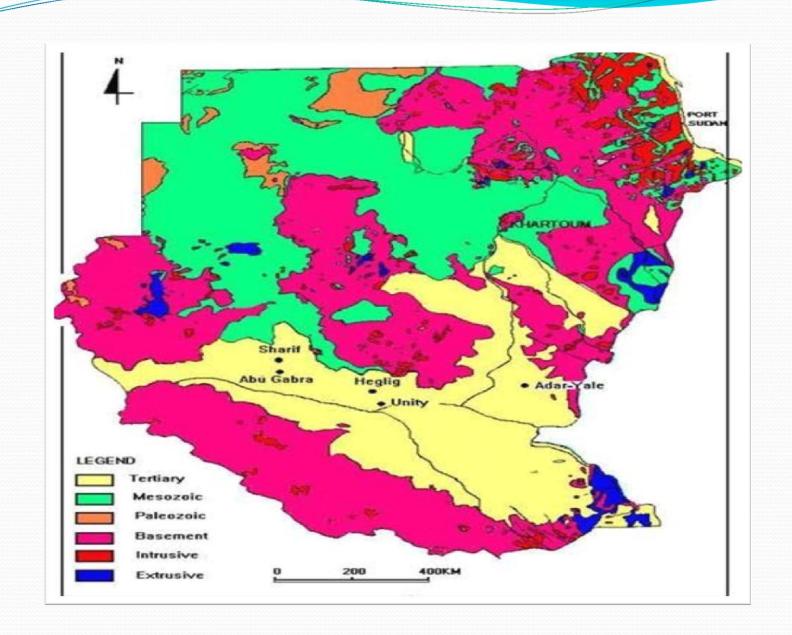
Geology of Sudan

Surface area of Sudan is almost 1 Million square miles before the separation.

Geologically; the area is sub-divided between the following main rock

categories: -





Mineral resources

Sudanese land is rich in mineral resources such as (gold, silver,

chrome, gypsum. etc).

Gold mining



Uranium in Sudan

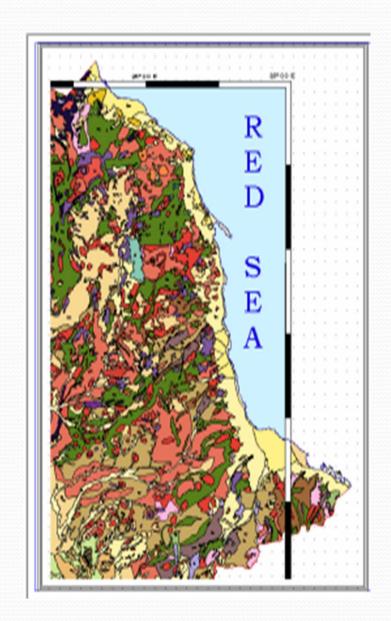
- Uranium have been discovered in the area of the Nuba Mountains and Hufrat EL Nahas in Darfur. By USA Company in 1977.
- Brinkman in 1986 discovered two types of phosphate deposits in Kurun and Uro areas in the center of eastern Nuba Mountains contain uranium
- * The following slides display the regions of minerals presence in Sudan...

- * The survey has resulted in discovery radioactive anomalies in a number of geological ranging from the pre-Cambrian basement complex to recent unconsolidated
- * The following slides display mineralogy of well known areas in Sudan.

Red sea

Economic values:

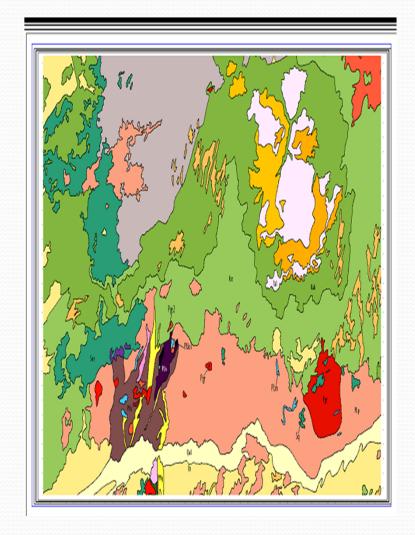
- 1. Gold.
- 2. Manganese.
- 3. Copper.
- 4. Black Sands.
- 5. Garnet.
- 6. Talc.
- 7. Zinc



North Wadi Hawar

Economic values:

- 1. Bauxite.
- 2. Chromite
- 4. Archeological Sites

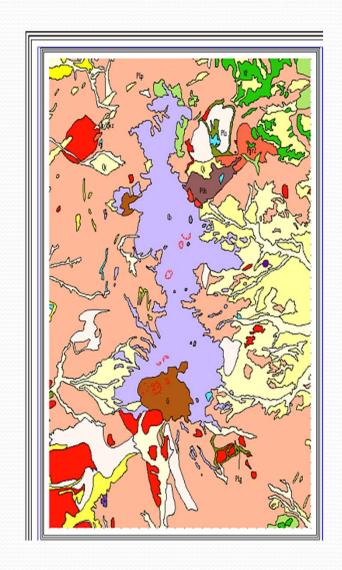


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(Volcanic Rocks, Craters)

Economic values

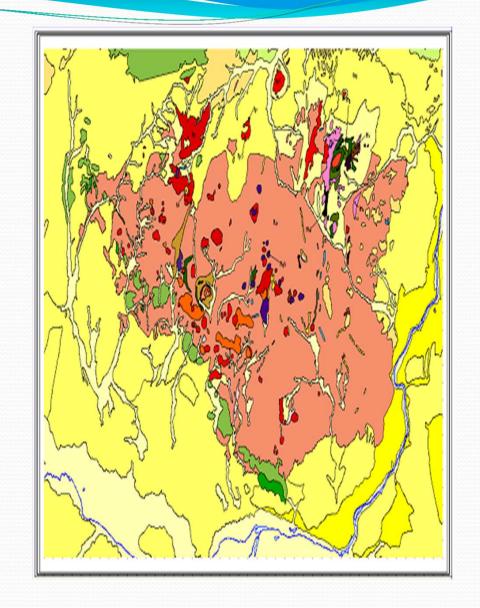
- 1. Base metals.
- 2. Garnet.
- 3. Kyanite.
- 4. Thermal Springs.
- 5. Sulphur.
- 6. Salt.



Nuba Mountains

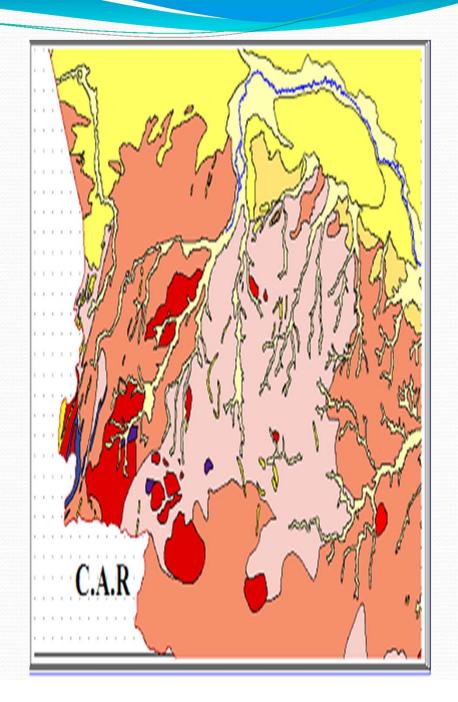
Economic values

- 1. Gold.
- 2. Iron.
- 3. Copper.
- 4. Graphite.
- 5. Talc.
- 6. Zinc.
- 7. Manganese
- 8. Chromium
- 9. Uranium
- 10. Marble



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- 1. Gold.
- 2. Copper.
- 3. Uranium
- 4. Precious stones



Instrumentation

Common instrument used in uranium and thorium measurement in Sudan

- Gamma spectrometry (Sodium iodide & HPGe)
- Alpha spectrometry
- Scintillation counters
- Radon meter
- XRF

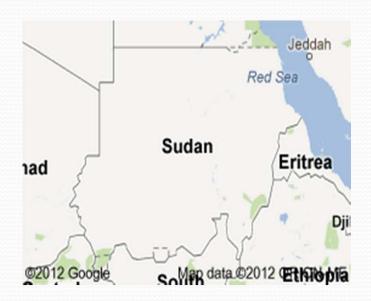






Study carried out in Uranium and Thorium

Recently many studies have been conducted in different part of Sudan





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Conclusion

- * The result of the most studies has revealed without doubt that the Uranium and Thorium concentration is lower than world wide data
- * The mass concentration of uranium in the study areas is no of potential economic significance

