

**SILVER DEPOSITS IN VENEZUELA
BIBIOGRAPHIC REFERENCES OF SILVER DEPOSITS
IN VENEZUELA THROUGH THE
STRATIGRAPHIC CODE OF VENEZUELA, GEOREF,
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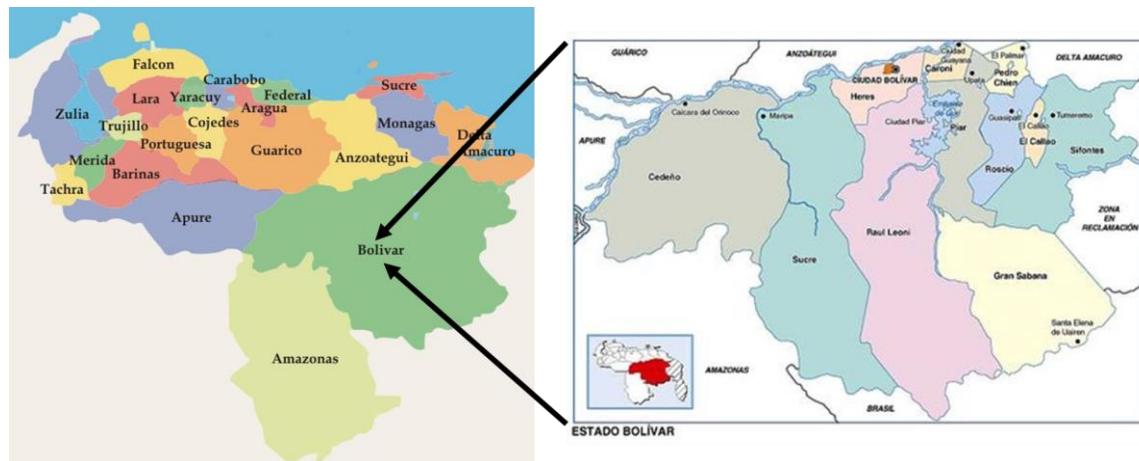
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The first writings that reveal the presence of minerals in Venezuelan territory, date back to the 16th century from the presence of the Spanish conquerors who were later joined by Anglo-Saxon pirates and corsairs, sent to the New World for purposes of colonization, evangelization of natives, exploration of territories and identification of wealth. However, some archaeological findings and investigations allow to affirm the existence of mining activities before the Spanish presence in the Venezuelan territory.

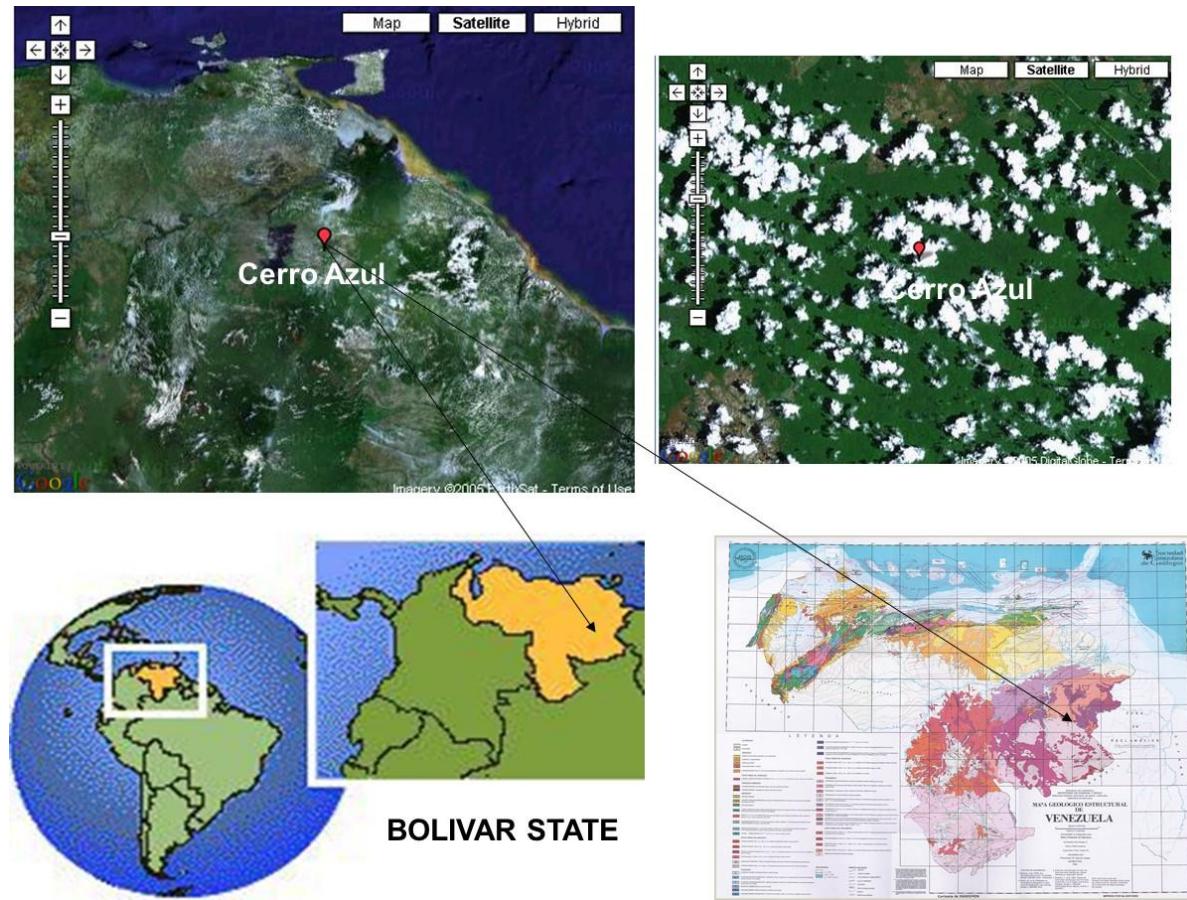


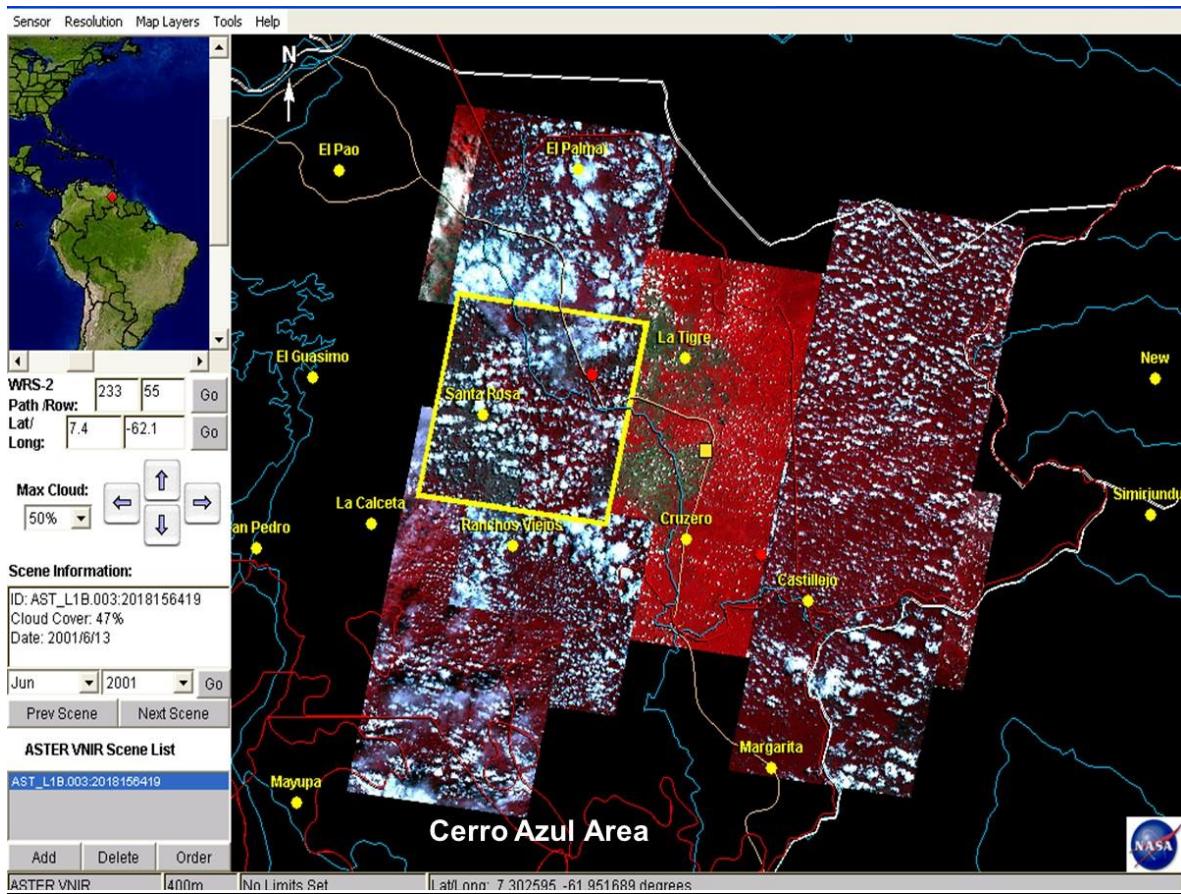
Following is a summary of silver locations mentioned in the geological and mining bibliography

BOLIVAR STATE

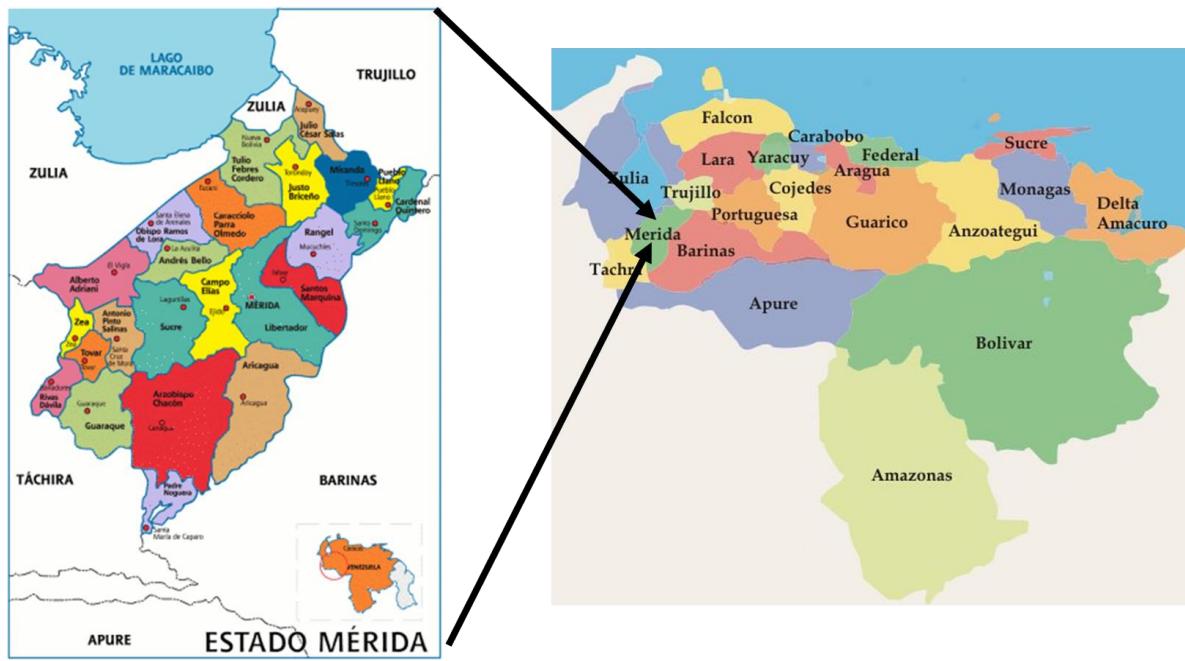


State	Location	Coordinates	Age	Formation	Deposit Type	Host Rock Type	Official Map
Bolívar	Merevari	4° 6' 35" N / 63° 46' 21" W	Early Proterozoic	Caicara	Veins	Volcanic	
	Cerro Azul Valley Placers	7° 35' 58" N / 62° 44' 39" W	Cenozoic		Epithermal vein	Rhyolite, andesite, tuff	
					Placer, alluvial	Alluvial sediments	7632

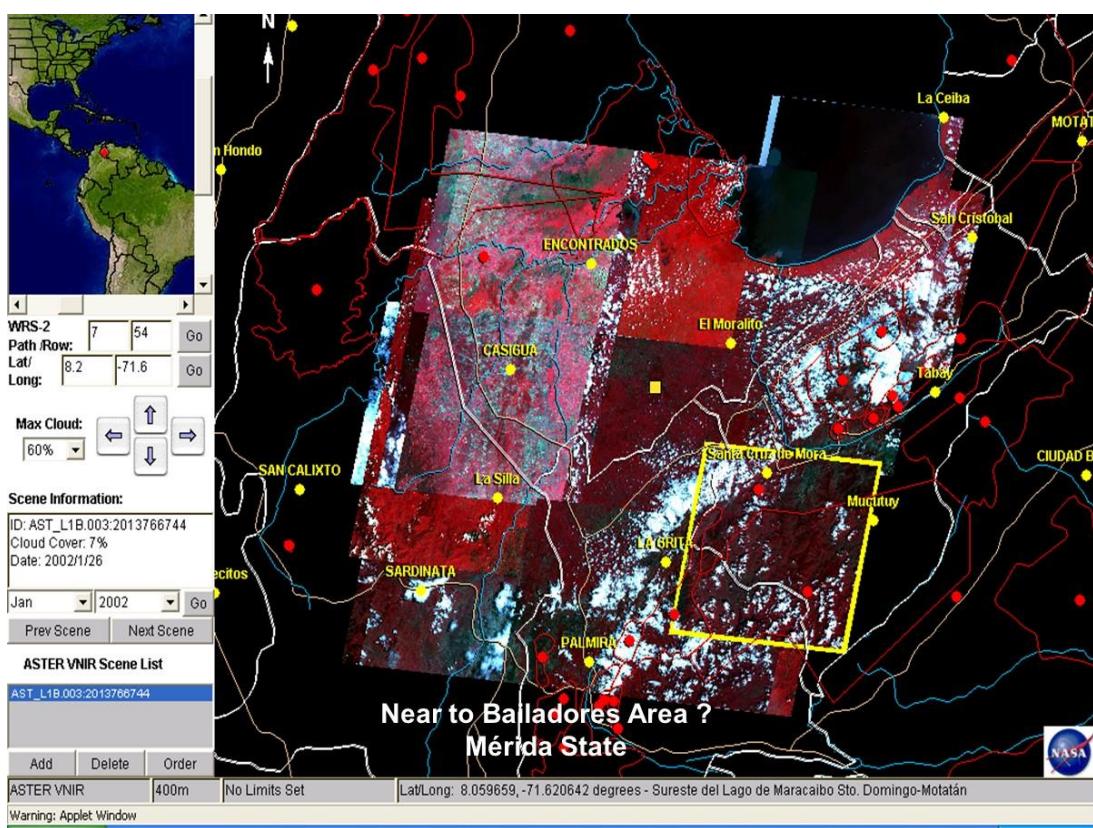
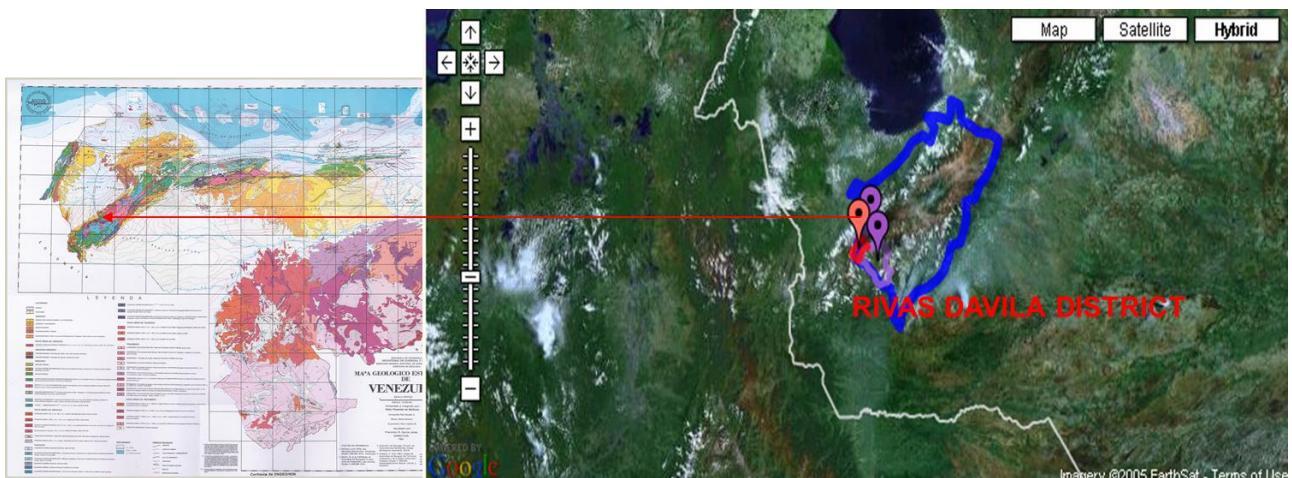


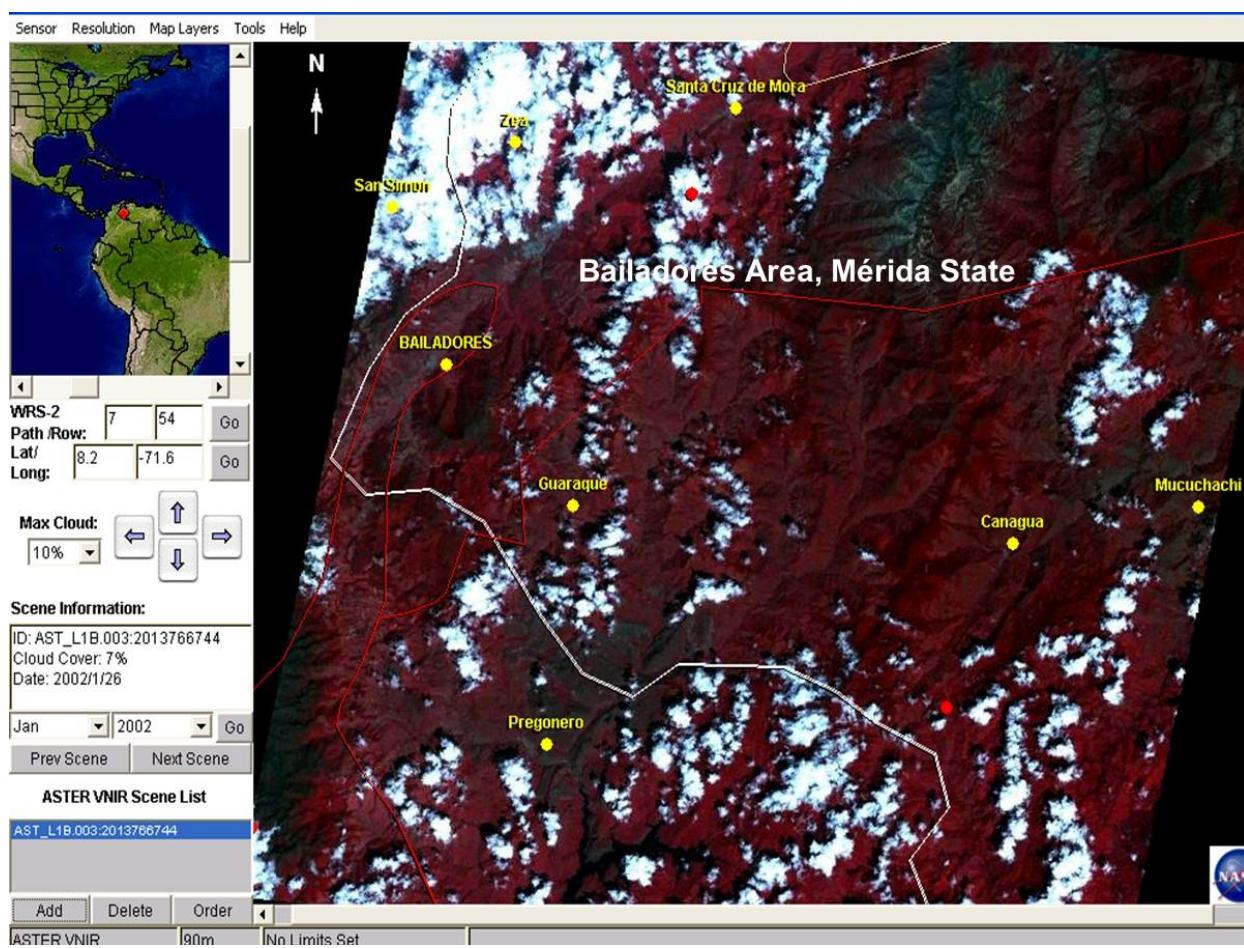


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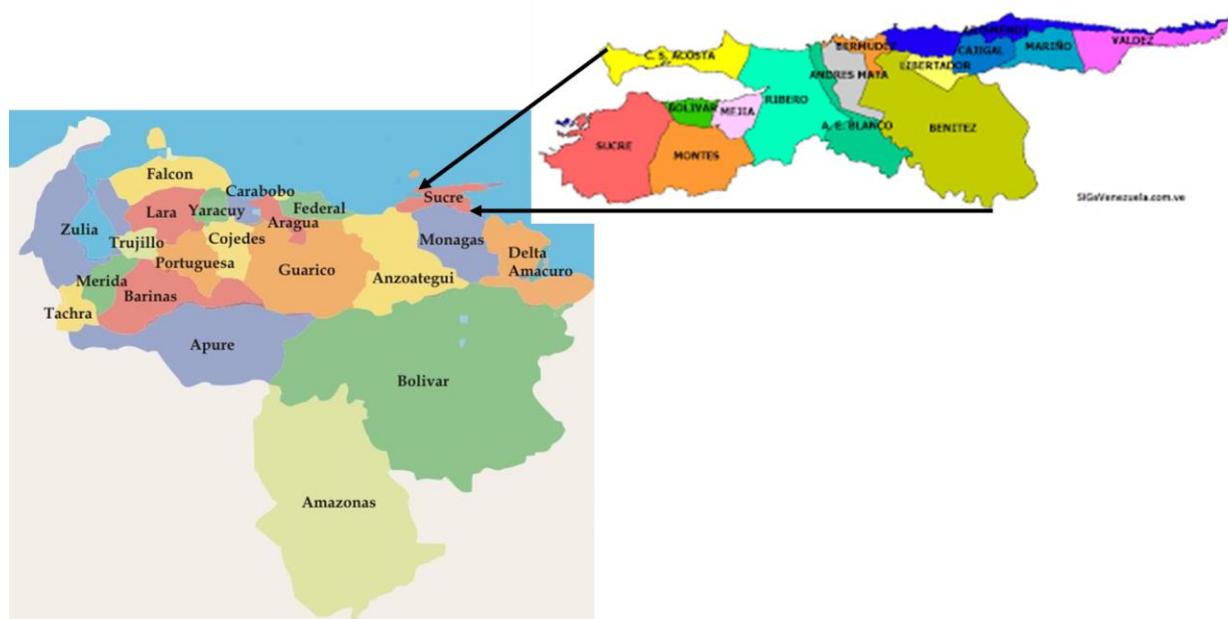


State	District	Community	Location	Location Relative	Coordinates	Age	Group	Formation	Host Rock Type	Official Map
Merida	Sucre		San Pedro	Lagunillas Region						
			Puente Real		8° 30' N / 71° 28' W				Felsic rocks	
	Rivas Davila	Guaraque	Guaraque		8° 09' 43" N / 71° 44' 26" W	Precambrian	Iglesias			
						Paleozoic		Mucuchachi		5939
	Rivas Davila	Bailadores	Bailadores Town area	8° 15' 22" N / 71° 49' 36" W	Precambrian	Iglesias		Sierra Nevada		5941
		Bailadores	Bailadores	8° 21' N / 71° 53' W	Lower Paleozoic			Phyllite, metavolcaniclastic rocks		
					Paleozoic		Mucuchachi			5939
					Precambrian		Sierra Nevada			5941
			Las Gonzalez-Estanquez							
	Rivas Dávila	De Lima I	La Rosa							
	Rivas Dávila	De Lima II			Paleozoic		Mucuchachi			5939



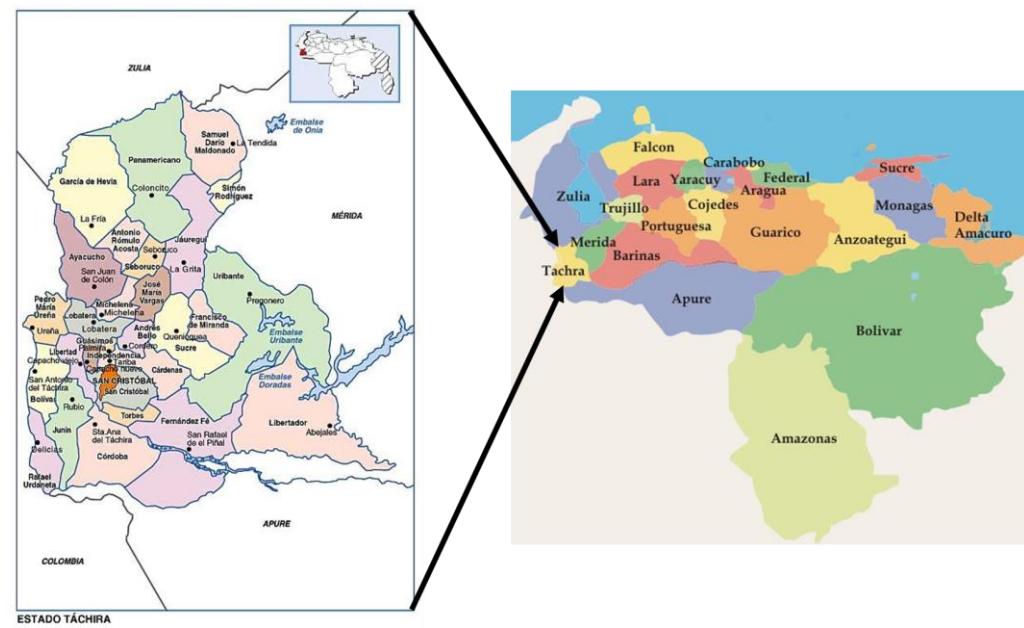


SUCRE STATE



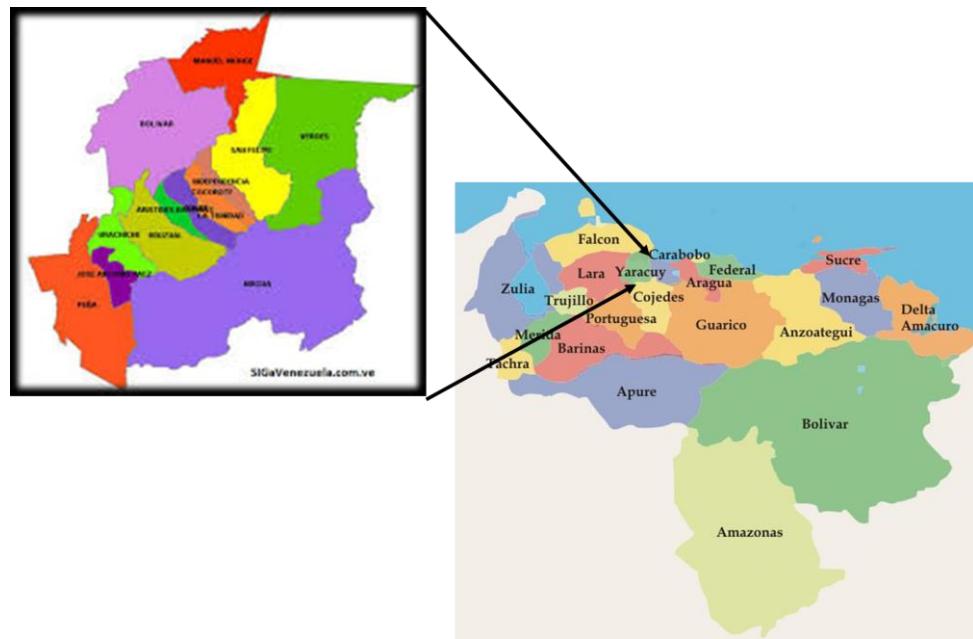
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Sucre	Andrés Mata	Gran Pobre		10° 35' 14" N / 63° 15' 12" W				
	Bermúdez	Gran Pobre		10° 33' N / 63° 07' 41" W			Phyllites, schist	
	Bermúdez	Río de Piedras		10° 33' N / 63° 07' 45" W			Phyllites, schist	
	Bermúdez	Canchunchu		10° 33' N / 63° 07' 43" W			Phyllites, schist	
		Carúpano		10° 38' N / 63° 15' W				
	Bermúdez	El Encanto	Southwest of Carúpano City, south of El Muco Town	10° 33' N / 63° 07' 40" W	Cretaceous	Tunapui	Phyllites, schists	7547 / 7643

TACHIRA STATE

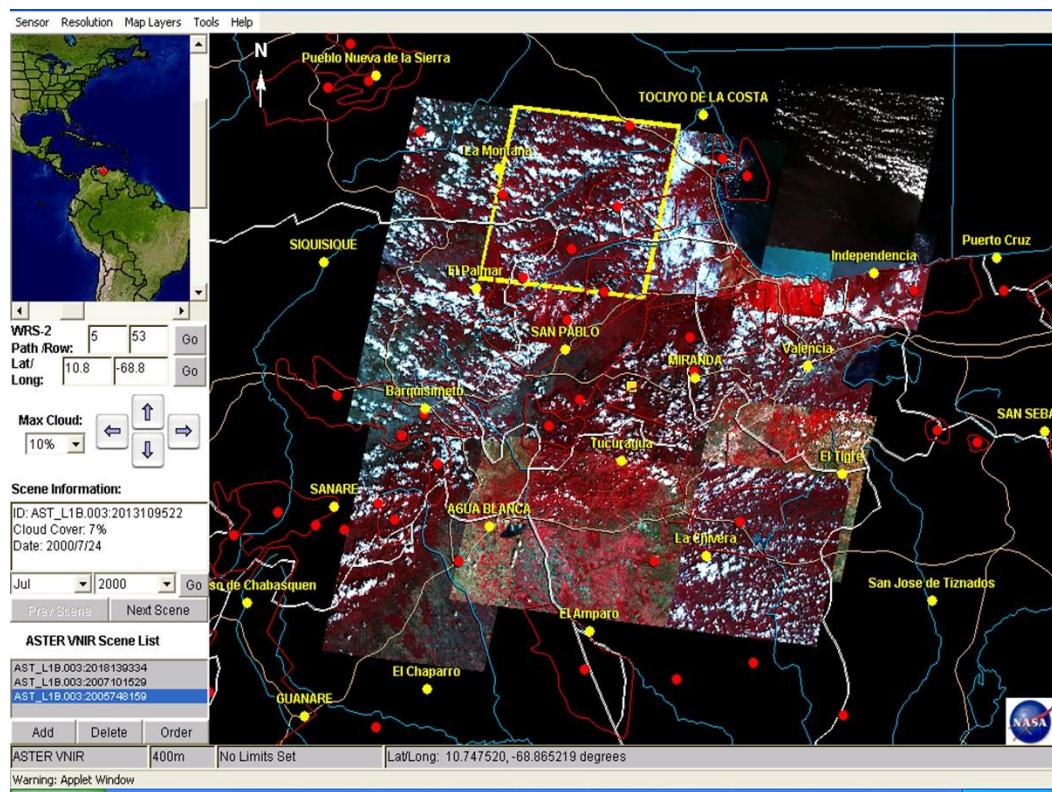


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Tachira	Uribante	Los Canos	7° 37' 15" N / 72° 07' 18" W	Jurassic		Andecite, dacite, rhyolite, sedimentary	
					Mucuchachi		5939

YARACUY STATE



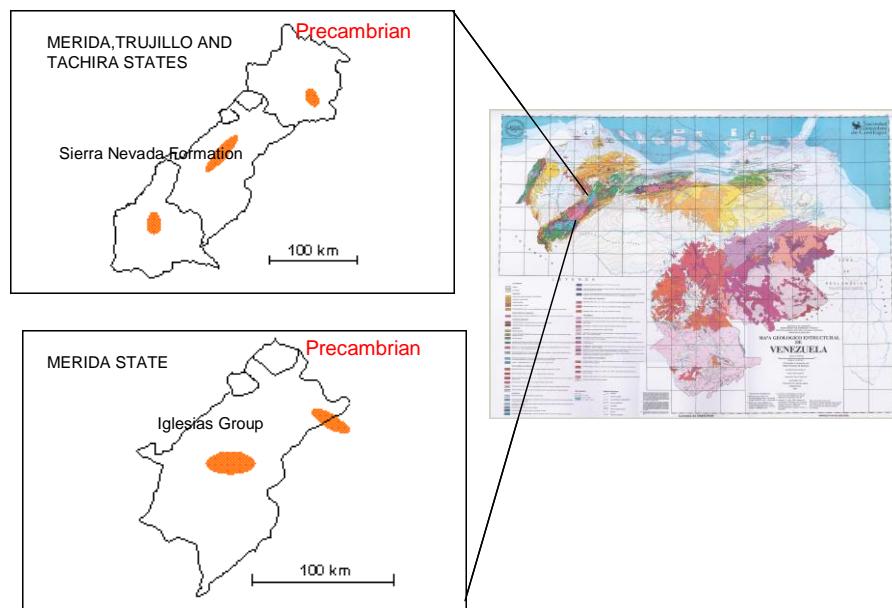
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Yaracuy		Carmen de Cocuaima	10° 27' 42" N / 68° 54' 30" W	Mesozoic	Nirgua	Schist, marble, metaquartzites, amphibolites	6446
Autónomo Urachiche	El Junco		10° 12' 38" N / 68° 59' 18" W	Mesozoic	Nirgua		6446



STRATIGRAPHIC UNITS

SIERRA NEVADA FORMATION

Precambrian

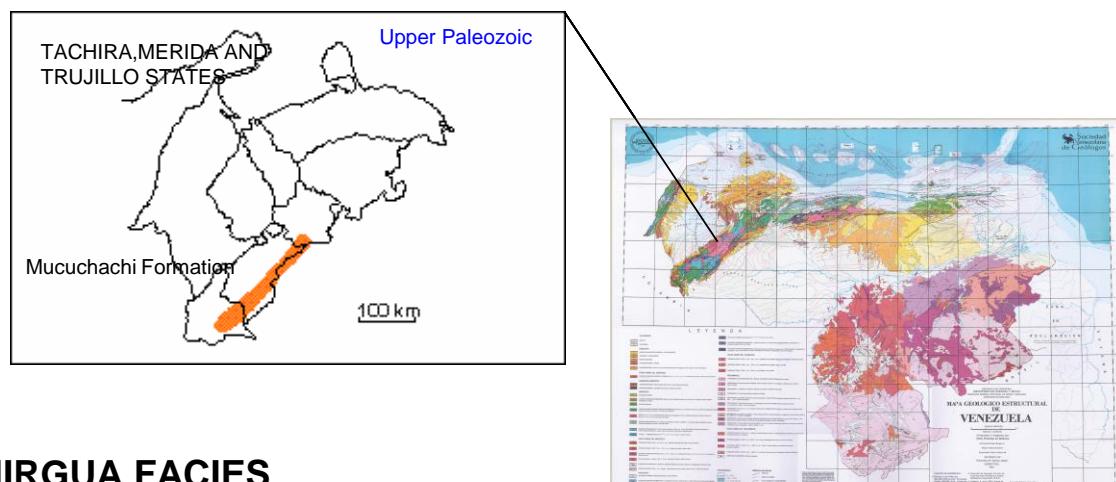


IGLESIAS GROUP

Precambrian

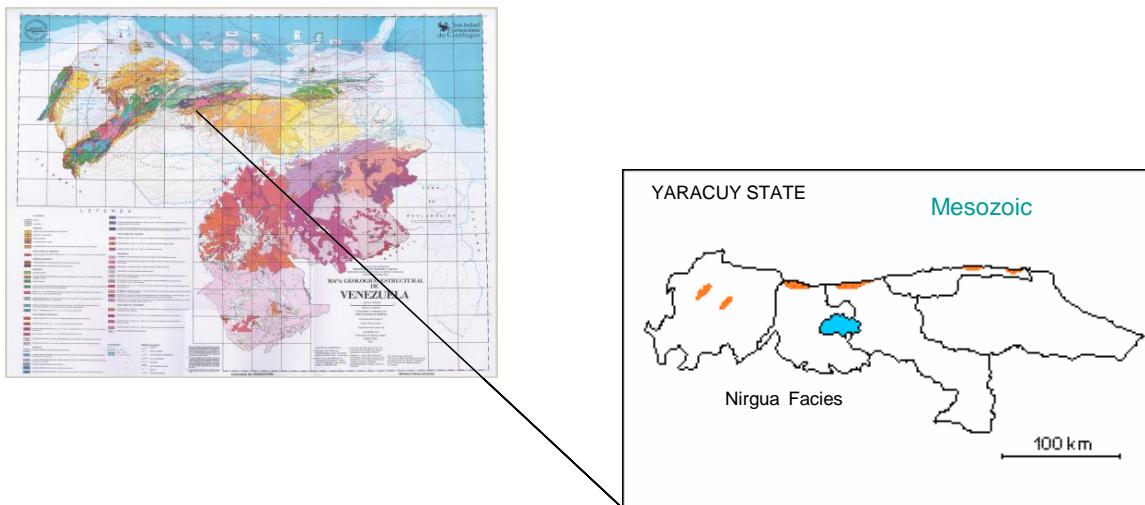
MUCUCHACHI FORMATION

Upper Paleozoic



NIRGUA FACIES

Mesozoic



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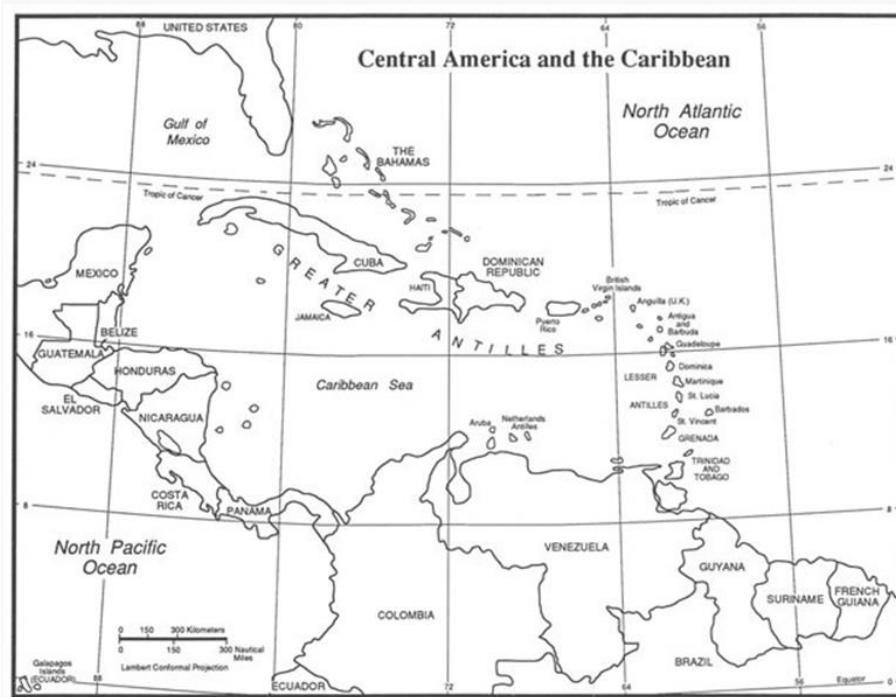


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