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3.2.6 Thimensart Formation - THM

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Authors: Malaise, 1900; emend. Michot, 1954.

Description: Shale and micaceous siltstone and fine sandstone with graptolites (Malaise, 1900); laminated with locally some thin red shale beds (Michot, 1954); olive green shale, micaceous, with compact bedding, lamination or fine oblique stratification.

Stratotype: Right bank of the Fuelle river, between the road to Fosses and the old Ferme de Thimensart, east of Fosses (Martin, 1969).

Area: Condroz inlier.

Thickness: Difficult to estimate but in the order of 100 m (Michot, 1957).

Age: The graptolite biozones *Monograptus nilssoni*, *M. scanicus* and *M. tumescens* were recognised, Gorstian, early Ludlow in age (Michot, 1954); the *P. nilssoni* and the *L. scanicus* biozones were recognised by Rickards in Maes et al. (1978).

Remarks: Synonyms: Assise de Thimensart, Schistes de Thimensart.

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