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25 exsolved from the fayalite. To our knowledge, olivine with exsolved silica has not been
26 reported. We note, however, that experimental studies have shown that β -spinel can
27 incorporate excess silica. We therefore speculate these quartz needles may be silica that
28 exsolved from Mn-rich ahrensite, the Fe analogue of ringwoodite, upon decompression
29 and inversion to fayalite. If correct, this occurrence would be the first reported sample of
30 naturally occurring olivine (fayalite) that inverted from ahrensite. Corroborating an early
31 UHP history are reaction relationships that delineate a path through high-pressure and
32 high temperature conditions during decompression. P-T conditions inferred for the UHP
33 episode are ~ 7 GPa at ~ 975 °C. The unusually low T for this UHP system at ~ 1.8 Gya
34 may reflect either very rapid subduction rates at that time, or unexpectedly cool mantle
35 conditions. Preservation of the UHP assemblages probably is due, in large part, to the
36 exceptionally low $a_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}$ during decompression and cooling. These UHP rocks establish
37 that the location of the subduction and suture zones that must have existed prior to and
38 during the collision of continents was along what is now the northern edge of the Nordre
39 Strømfjord shear zone.

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41 Keywords: UHP metamorphism, majorite, diamonds, Nagssugtoqidian, pigeonite,
42 ahrensite, Paleoproterozoic, exsolution

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47 **INTRODUCTION**

48 Since the first discovery (Chopin 1984) of coesite in alpine metamorphic rocks,
49 ultra-high pressure (UHP) metamorphism has been recognized in more than twenty
50 localities around the world (see summaries in Chopin, 2003, and Ernst and Liou, 2008).

51 All of these sites are within metamorphic terrains younger than 1,000 million years,
52 reflecting the rarity of preserving mineral assemblages that are inherently highly
53 thermodynamically unstable. Even though rare and of minuscule areal extent, these sites
54 have profoundly affected conceptual models of global geodynamic processes, and have
55 raised important new questions regarding the behavior of continental crust during
56 continent-continent collisions, the representativeness of modern day tectonic structures
57 and collisions, and the mechanics of subduction and exhumation (Ernst and Liou, 2008).
58 However, recognizing such sites is fraught with challenges. In most instances the remnant
59 mineralogy providing evidence of UHP metamorphism is preserved only at the micron
60 scale, and is ambiguous unless associated with multiple UHP indicators.

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62 We report here multiple lines of evidence that establish the presence of a UHP
63 metamorphic complex in the Nordre Strømfjord shear zone (NSSZ), which is located
64 within the Nagssugtoqidian Mobile Belt of West Greenland. Prior to this discovery, this
65 mobile belt had been considered a classic example of upper amphibolite to granulite
66 facies deep crustal regional metamorphism (Davidson, 1979; Hansen, 1979; Glassley and

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67 Sørensen, 1980; Glassley, 1983; Mengel, 1983). Although that regional metamorphic
68 model does reflect the last significant metamorphic event these rocks experienced, the
69 UHP mineralogy we describe here unequivocally demonstrates that, for at least some of
70 the lithologies within the NSSZ, a significant chapter in the metamorphic history has
71 been missed.

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73 In addition, these results demonstrate that the metamorphic and tectonic processes
74 that result in UHP metamorphism extend at least as far back as ca. 1.8 Gya. Finally, we
75 report observations that may be evidence of the first terrestrial example of Fe-rich
76 ringwoodite in a UHP terrain.

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78 **GEOLOGIC SETTING**

79 The Nagssugtoqidian Orogen (NO) is a ca. 200 km wide complex of variably
80 deformed rocks that extend across southern Greenland (Fig. 1). This belt lies along the
81 northern margin of the main Archaean block in south Greenland and is divided into
82 lithologically coherent belts that are separated by major shear zones (Escher, 1970; Bak
83 et al., 1975a,b; Korstgård, 1979 and papers therein; Garde and Kalsbeek, 2006 and papers
84 therein). The most northern shear zone is the Nordre Strømfjord shear zone (NSSZ) (Bak
85 et al., 1975a; Sørensen, 1983).

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87 Kalsbeek et al (1987) were the first to propose that the NO “contains a cryptic
88 suture between two once separate Archaean plates”. This concept was based on 1) their
89 interpretation of a ca. 1921 My calc-alkaline complex as an oceanic arc remnant and 2)

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90 the presence of Paleoproterozoic metasediments that were metamorphosed and deformed
91 around 1850 my and which are interleaved with Archaean rocks. However, they noted
92 that “the suture itself has not been located”, although they speculated that the suture lay
93 southeast of the NSSZ.

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95 Over the following 15 years a growing body of field, chemical and isotopic data
96 documented that the period of calc-alkaline igneous activity persisted for about 50 my
97 (1920-1870 my). This work also demonstrated that several belts of predominantly
98 Paleoproterozoic supracrustal rocks are present within the mobile belt, among them
99 supracrustal rocks within the NSSZ (Kalsbeek and Nutman, 1996; Scott et al., 1998;
100 Whitehouse et al., 1998; Nutman et al., 1999; Connelly and Mengel, 2000; Connelly et
101 al., 2000; van Gool et al., 2002).

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103 Metamorphism within this orogeny was dated at 1860-1840 Mya, with late stage
104 metamorphic mineral growth extending to ca. 1780 Mya (Hickman and Glassley, 1984;
105 Kalsbeek et al., 1987; Taylor and Kalsbeek, 1990; Kalsbeek and Nutman, 1996; Connelly
106 et al., 2000; Willigers et al., 2001; Mazur et al., 2012), and has been interpreted to be the
107 last consequence of continent-continent suturing. Maximum metamorphic conditions,
108 based on a variety of geothermometers and geobarometers, were reported to be ca. 800°C
109 – 850°C and ca. 1.0 GPa (Davidson, 1979; Hansen, 1979; Glassley and Sørensen, 1980;
110 Glassley, 1983; Mengel, 1983; Mazur et al., 2012).

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112 Glassley et al. (2007) reported discovery of a high-pressure mineral assemblage
113 (sample 492042E, a garnet-olivine-spinel-clinopyroxene gneiss; T ca. 785°C and P ca. 21
114 kb) located within a mapped supracrustal belt (Fig. 1) in the western portion of the NSSZ
115 and near its northern border, indicating that the metamorphic history of this region was
116 likely more complex than hitherto assumed. However, although indicative of unusually
117 high pressures, sample 492042E, in and of itself, could not provide a definitive answer to
118 the “cryptic suture” enigma of Kalsbeek et al. (1987).

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120 Following discovery and analysis of sample 492042E, we re-examined hundreds
121 of thin sections archived at Aarhus University from mapping campaigns in the late
122 1960’s and 1970’s. Two additional samples were identified that contained the
123 metamorphic mineral assemblage garnet-olivine (123220, collected by Steen Platou in
124 1969; and 159966 collected by Flemming Mengel and Kai Sørensen in 1976). These were
125 collected approximately 30 km west-southwest of sample 492042E and, like it, were
126 within supracrustal units along and near the northern shear zone border. Two additional
127 samples of striking mineralogy (540521b and 540599) were collected by us in 2012 in an
128 area within a few kilometers of the location of sample 123220 (Figs. 1 and 2). The
129 remainder of this paper describes the mineralogy and P-T history of these four samples.

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131 **ANALYTICAL METHODS**

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133 Electron microprobe analyses: All of the analyses reported here were conducted at
134 electron microprobe (EMP) facilities at Aarhus University, Denmark and the University

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135 of California, Davis, USA. The EMP at Aarhus University is a JEOL JXA 8200. The
136 EMPA at UC Davis is a Cameca SX-100. Both instruments have 5 wavelength-
137 dispersive, computer driven spectrometers for quantitative analyses and an EDS
138 capability for qualitative analyses. Analyses at both facilities were conducted using the
139 same protocol, i.e., an accelerating potential of 15 kV, and a beam current of between 10
140 and 20 nA, using natural, well characterized mineral standards and matrix matching. Spot
141 size was varied, depending upon mineral properties, in order to avoid beam damage and
142 minimize volatilization. The raw data were corrected for deadtime, drift and matrix
143 effects using standard commercial software specific to each instrument.

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145 Raman spectra were obtained using a Renishaw RM1000 Research Laser Raman
146 Microscope at the Keck Spectral Imaging Facility at the University of California, Davis.
147 Excitation of the sample was accomplished using an argon-ion laser (514 nm; 2.4121 eV).
148 A 25% transmission filter provided about 500 μ W in the laser spot using a 50X objective.
149 Raman signals were collected through hard laser filters (dual holographic Rayleigh
150 filters), providing access to the Stokes side of the Raman emission. Spectral analysis was
151 conducted using the GRAMS spectra analysis application (from Thermo Scientific) The
152 spectra presented here were slightly smoothed using 2-point running averages.

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154 In-situ quadrupole LA-ICP-MS analyses were performed using a Photon
155 Instruments laser ablation sample introduction system coupled to an Agilent 7700 ICP-
156 MS. NIST 612 was used as a calibration standard and NIST 610 was incorporated in the
157 sample run to test data reproducibility. NIST 612 and NIST 610 standards were analyzed

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158 twice at the beginning and twice at the end of the sample run. Laser spots were located in
159 close proximity to previous electron microprobe (EMP) analyses. Calcium results from
160 the corresponding EMP analyses were used as an internal standard. A laser spot size of
161 65 microns was used for each point analysis. The laser was operated at 50% power, 10
162 Hz repetition rate, and fluence of 4.45 joules/cm². Each spot was ablated and measured
163 for 25 seconds, with a pause of 90 seconds between analyses to allow purging of the
164 spectrometer and baseline stabilization. ICP-MS output data were corrected and
165 converted into part-per-million (ppm) concentrations using Iolite data reduction software
166 (Paton et al., 2011).

167 The nomenclature and abbreviations for minerals follows that of Whitney and
168 Evans (2010) unless otherwise noted.

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170 **RESULTS**

171 Samples 123220, 159966 and 540521b occur within belts of complexly
172 interleaved rocks that are mapped as undifferentiated metasedimentary/metavolcanic
173 rocks and amphibolite (Map Sheet Agto 67 V 1.Nord, 1:100,000; 1987; Fig. 1). Sample
174 540599 is a single garnet crystal (approximately 6 cm x 5 cm) that was plucked from a
175 quartzo-feldspathic garnet-sillimanite-graphite schist a few hundred meters southwest
176 from 540521b. Large (maximum dimensions of up to 10 cm) garnet porphyroblasts made
177 up in excess of 60 volume percent of the outcrop of this unit. This schist bounds the
178 southern edge of the metasedimentary/metavolcanic and amphibolite unit from which the
179 other samples were collected.

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181 Samples 123220 and 159966 are coarse-grained olivine (Ol)-garnet (Grt)-
182 clinopyroxene (Cpx)-orthopyroxene (Opx)-quartz (Qtz) gneisses with graphite (Gph),
183 magnetite (Mag) and ilmenite (Ilm). A very weak fabric is defined by slight elongation of
184 Grt, preferred orientation of pigeonite (Pgt) (123220) and weak compositional layering.
185 Sample 540521b is a coarse-grained garnet pyroxenite with Ilm.

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187 The bulk rock compositions of 123220 and 540521b (Table 1) are part of a suite
188 of seven samples that have the highest Fe and Mn compositions within a database of 219
189 bulk rock analyses we have assembled. The other characteristics of this suite are low
190 SiO₂ (< 45%), low alkalis (Na₂O + K₂O < 1.0%), low MgO (0.95% to 4.95%), low Al₂O₃
191 (0.46 to 3.88%) and high MnO/MgO (0.25 to > 7). These rocks are identical chemically
192 and mineralogically to eulysites, which were first thoroughly described by Tilley (1936)
193 from western Scotland. They are interpreted as being deposited by ocean floor exhalative
194 hydrothermal processes (Coats et al., 1996). Sample 159966, of which only a polished
195 thin section remains, is likely to belong to the same suite of ocean floor exhalative
196 metasediments, based on the similarity of the mineral compositions (discussed below) to
197 those in 123220.

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199 **Majoritic Garnet**

200 Two generations of garnets can be observed in samples 123220, 159966 and
201 540521b. Small, groundmass garnets that are usually inclusion free are associated with
202 late-stage, granulite facies metamorphism. These small garnets post-date larger, elongate

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203 to sub-idiomorphic, porphyroblastic garnets that are up to 0.5 cm in diameter. These
204 earlier garnets are the subject of the remainder of this section.

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206 The first generation garnets possess clear cores, inclusion-filled mantles and clear
207 rims (Fig. 3). They are all spessartine-rich almandines (ca. 80 mole % spessartine +
208 almandine), with 1-5 mole % pyrope and 15-17 mole % grossular (Table 1).

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210 EMP analyses of the larger garnets (Fig. 4a,b) exhibit consistent zoning patterns
211 in which the cores are Fe-rich. Outward from the cores, the inner mantle region exhibits
212 Ca and Mn increases at the expense of Fe and Mg, but the outer mantles tend to reverse
213 this trend with an increase in Fe and Mg. Clear, thin outer rims are enriched in Mn at the
214 expense of other cations.

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216 LA-ICPMS analysis shows the cores to be Cr- and Ti-rich, relative to mantles and
217 rims (Fig. 4c). These analyses also indicate a systematic zoning in the rare earth elements
218 (REE) in which the cores are strongly depleted in LREE while the mantle zone is
219 consistently enriched (by about 10x to 100x; Fig. 4d) in LREE.

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221 The inclusions in the mantle regions are numerous and diverse. They are usually a
222 few microns to a few tens of microns in size and are commonly the locus of
223 decompression cracks. In samples 123220 and 159966, inclusions of apatite, Mg-, Mn-
224 and Fe-carbonates, monazite, rutile and ilmenite are dispersed irregularly throughout the
225 mantles. Ilmenites, however, also occur as clusters of parallel blades and rods, which is a

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226 morphology suggestive of exsolution, but for which other evidence is lacking. An Al-Si
227 phase, possibly kyanite, was observed in several inclusions, but could not be positively
228 identified because of secondary alteration. Carbon inclusions (Fig. 3a,b) are
229 predominately graphite, but contain relict diamond, based on Raman spectral analysis
230 (see discussion of Raman analysis below). In sample 540521b inclusions are mainly
231 ilmenite + qtz, aligned in well-defined trains (Fig. 3c,d).

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233 The most abundant and systematically distributed inclusions in 123220 and
234 159966, however, exhibit unequivocal exsolution morphologies (Fig. 3b). These
235 inclusions occur as clusters of aligned rhombohedral forms a few microns to ten microns
236 in diameter. High resolution, 3D optical image processing (Fig. 3b) shows them to be
237 aligned in three directions that are consistent with a {111} garnet structure orientation.

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239 Although the morphologies of the inclusions in 123220 and 159966 are identical,
240 the inclusions in 123220 have been altered and oxidized and reliable EMP analyses of
241 them could not be obtained. Inclusions in 159966, although altered to finely intergrown
242 mats of Cl-bearing hydrous phases, preserve systematic compositional characteristics that
243 allow reconstruction of their original composition.

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245 More than 80 spot analyses of the hydrated inclusions in 159966 were obtained.
246 Of these, two thirds were short, multi-spot traverses across individual inclusions. Despite
247 some scatter, three consistent compositions were observed in these analyses (Fig. 5). On

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248 the basis of the population statistics for each group, an anhydrous composition was
249 computed, assuming an oxygen basis of 6:

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253 For comparison, the average unaltered Opx in 159966 has the stoichiometry:

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257 which is poorer in Fe and richer in Mg, Ca and Mn. These results are consistent with one
258 Raman spectrum collected from an inclusion in porphyroblastic garnet in sample 159966
259 that had sharp, well-defined peaks matching precisely a ferrosilite standard (RRUFF data
260 base number R070387). Using variable focus optical microscopy, the measured minimum
261 volume of the Opx inclusions in the garnet was 4.0 % with a most likely value 6.0. %.

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263 In contrast to the inclusions in 123220 and 159966, the inclusions in 540521b
264 occur as distinct trains that, at low magnification, define rod-like forms (Fig. 3c) that are
265 consistently oriented parallel to the {111} direction of the garnets, based on their
266 relationship to the idiomorphic form of the clear garnet cores. At higher magnification
267 (Fig. 3d,e) the inclusions that define the rod-like forms are seen to invariably be 2-phase
268 Qtz-Ilm grains. The proportion of the two phases is always the same, to the extent that
269 can be determined optically. These characteristics require that these inclusion trains once
270 were continuous, single-phase needle-like rods that segmented during recrystallization,

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271 likely driven by surface-energy minimization requirements. Additionally, upon
272 segmentation, the individual grains must have consisted of a homogeneous phase that
273 later decomposed to the bi-mineral assemblage Ilm and Qtz. The original exsolved phase
274 was some form of $\text{Fe}_2(\text{Si}_x\text{Ti}_{2-x})_2\text{O}_6$, possibly with additional Ti substituting for Fe (see
275 discussion below).

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278 *Reconstructing the pre-exsolution garnet compositions*

279 Several hundred spot analyses on the first generation garnets in samples 123220,
280 159966 and 540521b define compositional fields that are distinct from the garnet
281 analyses from nearly forty other samples within the NSSZ that we have analyzed over the
282 years (Fig. 6). These three samples define fields that are consistently lower in Al, at a
283 given Si, and fall parallel to, and overlap with, the trend defined for majoritic garnets that
284 have been analyzed from experimental studies and field samples (Haggerty and Sautter,
285 1990; Sautter et al., 1991; Ono, 1998). For 123220 and 159966, remixing the inferred
286 exsolved Opx composition (TABLE 1) with the composition of the garnet mantle zones
287 results in majorite-like compositions that are consistent with pressures of ~7.5 to 8.0 GPa
288 (Table 1; see discussion below regarding P-T conditions).

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290 Reconstructing the garnet composition for sample 540521b is complicated by the
291 unusual composition of the exsolved phase. We hypothesize that the following multi-step
292 recrystallization sequence is required to explain the observed phase relationships in these
293 garnets:

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- 294 1. Exsolution of Fe- and Ti-rich Opx needles from a majoritic garnet
295 2. Recrystallization of the Opx needles to segmented rods, thermodynamically
296 driven by surface energy minimization
297 3. Decomposition of the segmented rods to Qtz + Ilm.
298 Although this sequence is consistent with the textural requirements dictated by the
299 phase morphologies, the stoichiometry of the reactant Opx cannot be reconciled with the
300 Qtz + Ilm product assemblage, since the reactant Opx generally would have insufficient
301 TiO₂ to generate the product assemblage. This problem may be resolved either through a
302 coupled substitution of Ti + vacancy for 2 Fe in the M1 and M2 sites in the exsolved
303 Opx, or through reaction of the exsolved opx with TiO₂ dissolved in the Grt but which
304 was no longer thermodynamically stable in that cubic silicate structure. The former
305 postulate is consistent with the observations in these samples of exsolved rutile (Rt)
306 needles in Opx (discussed below), while the latter is consistent with observed Rt and Ilm
307 lamellae in garnets in 123220 and 159966. Regardless of which mechanism is responsible
308 for the observed phase relationships, a precursor majorite phase is necessary to account
309 for the exsolution of Opx.

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312 **Diamond**

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314 Samples 123220 and 159966 have micron-scale carbon inclusions that occur
315 within the inclusion-rich mantles of porphyroblastic garnets. These inclusions are
316 optically flat in reflected light, without any indication of pleochroism, in contrast to

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317 bladed graphite crystals that are a common accessory mineral phase in rocks of the
318 supracrustal belts. These inclusions have a distinctive morphology (Fig. 7), only occur in
319 the mantle zones of garnets, and consistently have cubic symmetry and faceted,
320 pyramidal forms.

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322 Raman spectra were collected on several of these grains (Fig. 8) in garnets from
323 both samples. The grains in both samples consistently had well defined graphite modes
324 (G and D peaks at primary wave numbers of $\sim 1580\text{ cm}^{-1}$ and $\sim 1355\text{ cm}^{-1}$, respectively;
325 Smith and Goddard, 2103). Also noted was a graphene (i.e., single graphite layer) peak at
326 $\sim 1420\text{ cm}^{-1}$ in some samples (Tiwari et al., 2012). In sample 123220 unambiguous peaks
327 were also observed at 1335 cm^{-1} , which is the characteristic spectral peak for diamond.
328 However, the diamond peak was not seen in all C inclusions in this sample, nor
329 throughout a single inclusion. For example, for the larger inclusion (Figs. 7 & 8), “grain 5
330 large” two Raman spectra were collected in adjacent locations, one near the edge and one
331 in the interior of the grain. The latter exhibited a well-defined diamond peak at 1335 cm^{-1}
332 while the former did not. The presence of this characteristic peak unequivocally indicates
333 the presence of crystalline diamond, since there are no other phases that share that mode.

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335 To assure we were not detecting contamination from polish media, numerous
336 other Raman spectra were collected in other types of inclusions, along grain boundaries
337 and in late-stage graphite-hematite-magnetite veins. No peaks were observed at the
338 characteristic diamond spectral location. In addition, the sample was re-polished using C-
339 free polish media, in order to excavate the carbon inclusions to determine their 3-D

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340 morphology. Since platy forms would be expected for primary graphite blades, while
341 cubic symmetry would be expected for primary diamond grains, distinguishing between
342 these original forms allows determination of the original carbon crystallography (Chopin,
343 2003). The images obtained of these “cleaned” inclusions show them to be non-platy,
344 cubic forms with faceted edges (Fig. 7), consistent with the entrapment of primary
345 diamond during majorite growth. Raman spectra obtained on these “cleaned” inclusions
346 revealed only nano-crystalline graphite, consistent with the interpretation that diamond
347 was replaced by graphite that nucleated, at least in part, along the diamond-garnet
348 interface.

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350 We conclude from these observations that micro-diamond inclusions were present
351 in first generation garnets in samples 123220 and 159966 and that they were encapsulated
352 in the garnet during the growth stage at which the mantle zone developed. Later, during
353 decompression and granulite facies metamorphism, diamond micro-inclusions were
354 recrystallized to graphite, in a process similar to that recorded by Davies et al., (1993)
355 and Smith and Godard (2013) for graphitized diamonds in the Ronda peridotite and the
356 Norwegian Western Gneiss Region, respectively. Graphitization went to completion in
357 sample 159966 but left relict micro-diamond grains during incomplete graphitization in
358 sample 123220.

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360 **Rutile exsolution in garnet**

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362 Commonly reported in UHP terrains are exsolution lamellae of rutile in garnets,
363 pyroxenes and other phases. Although the origin of such needles has been the subject of
364 debate (see discussion in Ague and Eckert, 2012) lamellae that occur in trigonal,
365 interpenetrating orientation can only be derived through exsolution, and not epitaxial
366 growth.

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368 We have observed Rt exsolution lamellae (Fig. 9) in the core regions of the large
369 (>5 cm diameter) euhedral garnet (sample 540599), which was collected from garnet-
370 biotite-graphite-sillimanite schists within a few hundred meters of the site where sample
371 540521b was collected. The Rt needles are ca. a few hundred nanometers thick and tens
372 to several hundreds of microns long. These needles have anomalous extinction angles of
373 up to several tens of degrees. They are always oriented with inter-penetrating angles of
374 close to 120° , consistent with crystallographically controlled exsolution along $\langle 111 \rangle$, as
375 described by various researchers for needles exsolved from garnets in UHP terrains
376 elsewhere (e.g., Larsen et al., 1998; Zhang and Liou 1999; Ye et al., 2000; Mposkos and
377 Kostopoulos 2001; Zhang et al., 2003; Barron et al., 2005; Griffin et al., 1971; Griffin,
378 2008).

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380 The mantle zones and exterior regions of such garnets commonly have inclusion
381 trains of sillimanite, graphite, and feldspars, but these assemblages always occur exterior
382 to the regions of the garnets with the Rt exsolution lamellae. The Rt lamellae are not
383 observed associated with sillimanite or graphite. The garnet composition in the vicinity of
384 the needles is $\text{Py}_{28}\text{Sp}_2\text{Gr}_6\text{Al}_{63}$. X-ray maps generated in the vicinity of the needles did not

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385 reveal evidence of compositional variation in the immediate vicinity of the needles,
386 unlike those reported by Ague and Eckert (2012). We attribute this lack of zoning to re-
387 equilibration through diffusional processes controlled by compositional gradients during
388 granulite facies metamorphism post-dating the period of exsolution.

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390 **Pyroxenes**

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392 Pyroxene textures in the three samples of interest are complex and diverse. Each
393 sample possesses a different suite of compositional characteristics, but together they
394 provide a record consistent with recrystallization during recovery from UHP conditions.
395 Because of their diversity and complexity, the textures of each sample will be detailed
396 separately. We present them in order of increasing complexity. Their respective
397 compositions are presented in Ca-Mg-Fe ternary diagrams in Figure 10. The
398 nomenclature that we used is that of Morimoto et al. (1988).

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400 *159966*

401 Opx and Cpx, along with Fa and Qtz, make-up the bulk of sample 159966. They
402 occur as approximately equant, anhedral millimeter-sized grains. The Cpx and Opx are
403 Mn- and Fe-rich Hd and Aug, and Fe-rich Fs, respectively. Mn content is 11%-12% of
404 the octahedral cations in the Fs and 5%-6% in the Cpx.

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406 Although contacts between the pyroxenes are usually irregular and slightly lobate,
407 we also observed co-planar relationships in which Opx and Cpx shared in common (100)

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408 and (001) planes (Fig. 11a). The maximum $a \angle c$ angle is 122° , based on measurements
409 on Opx-Cpx pairs oriented with (010) in the plane of the thin section (Fig. 11a). This co-
410 planar relationship suggests these may have been a single phase that unmixed during
411 ascent from more severe P-T conditions. As discussed below, sample 540521b also
412 contains evidence of unmixing of a coarse, homogeneous pyroxene phase.

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414 The Cpx consistently exhibit three sets of exsolution lamellae. One set of lamellae
415 consists of sharp-edged, tabular Opx (Fs) oriented parallel to (100) of the host Cpx
416 (OpxL1 in Fig. 11b,c). These lamellae have associated with them very thin, sub-micron
417 bands oriented within a few degrees of the (001) plane, and which terminate on either
418 side of the Opx at small, round grains, resulting in a “dumbbell” morphology (red boxes
419 in Fig. 11c). These features are consistently calcite (Cc). We interpret these OpxL1 to
420 have been Pgt that initially exsolved from the Cpx during cooling and uplift, and later
421 inverted to Fs and Cc. The Cc bands occupy the volume that formed in the inverted phase
422 as a result of the volume change upon inversion.

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424 Another set of lamellae occurs as small to large blebby forms that have strong
425 preferred orientations in both the (100) and (001) planes of the host Cpx (OpxL2 in Fig.
426 11b). The third set of lamellae are very thin (ca. 1 micron) and wispy, and are inclined to
427 the (100) plane by 3° to 6° (OpxL3 in Fig. 11c). These angular relationships are very
428 close to those described by Robinson et al. (1971) for exsolution relationships involving
429 Cpx-Opx-Pgt. We interpret OpxL3 to be exsolved Pgt, based on similarities to the “fine

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430 pigeonite lamellae, which orient in acute angle β of host augite” reported by Ollila et al
431 (1988).

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433 Opx contain barely discernible Cpx lamellae and prominent Mag and Ilm lamellae
434 oriented parallel to (100) (Fig. 11b,d). The oxide phases often coexist in the same lamella
435 and appear to have unmixed.

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437 *123220*

438 The bulk mineralogy of 123220 is identical to that of sample 159966, except that
439 Pgt porphyroblasts are also present as elongate, 1-10 mm-size grains that define a fabric
440 in restricted portions of the sample. As with sample 159966, elongate garnet
441 porphyroblasts also occur and are elongate parallel to the fabric defined by the Fig.

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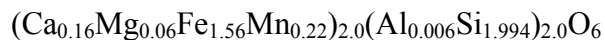
443 The Pgt porphyroblasts consistently have aligned inclusions parallel to the {001}
444 zone that are composed of Fa – Qtz – Fe-rich Aug (Fig. 12a,c). The relative proportions
445 of these three phases vary within narrow ranges among the inclusions. A few of the
446 inclusions have unequivocal idiomorphic forms (Fig. 12a,c) consistent with Opx. On the
447 basis of these observations, we interpret these inclusions to be exsolved Fs that inverted
448 to the three-phase assemblage Fa + Fe-rich Aug + Qtz. We have no quantitative
449 determination of the relative proportions of the phases, but a reaction consistent with this
450 surmise, and which honors the relative observed volumetric proportions (Ol : Qtz : Cpx ~
451 1 : 1 : 0.25) is (phase compositions based on remixed probe compositions of the reactant
452 phases):

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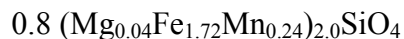
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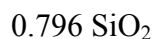
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(Qtz).

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466 Additionally, the Pgt grains consistently have Rt exsolution lamellae that are
467 aligned parallel to each other and lying within the plane of the dominant cleavage (Fig.
468 12b).

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470 Fe-rich Aug that is a reaction product of the breakdown of Fs, as well as
471 individual Cpx grains in the rock matrix also consistently contain Opx exsolution
472 lamellae that are indistinguishable from the OpxL1 lamellae in 159966 (Fig. 12d). In
473 addition, cusped grain boundaries between Fa and exsolved Opx that are aligned with
474 exsolution features (Fig. 12d) are consistent with the model that exsolution and
475 recrystallization of the bulk rock, to some extent, were coeval. These features are very

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476 similar to those reported by Holness et al. (2011) for late-stage crystallization processes
477 in the Skaergaard intrusive complex.

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479 The compositions of these phases are more Fe-rich than those in sample 159966
480 and 540521b (discussed below) (Fig. 10). Even so, the very close compositional
481 similarity of these minerals to those in sample 159966 suggest that they are likely to be
482 samples from lithologic units with identical precursor protoliths. The unequivocal Pgt
483 compositions preserved in this sample are relatively rare within the metamorphic
484 literature, and attest to temperatures in excess of 825°C (Lindsley, 1983; Harley, 1987;
485 Hyslop et al., 2008).

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487 *540521b*

488 The bulk mineralogy of 540521b is unusual. The bulk rock consists
489 predominantly of Opx- and Cpx, with equant Grt porphyroblasts. Minor amounts of Mag,
490 Rt, Gr, Mnz and carbonate are also present. The pyroxenes exhibit multiple exsolution
491 features that complexly relate to each other.

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493 The most obvious exsolution lamellae are coarse Fe-rich Hd (CpxL-1) that are 10-
494 50 microns wide and up to 1 cm long (Fig. 13a,b,c). They are rod-shaped, with undulous
495 grain boundaries and rounded terminations, thus giving the appearance they have
496 undergone some degree of recrystallization after originally exsolving from an earlier host.
497 These lamellae occur in Opx (Opx₂), and form distinct sets in which members of each set
498 parallel each other and are approximately regularly spaced. They are observed to crosscut

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499 other Opx exsolution features and cleavage, and occasionally lay along grain boundaries
500 between separate Opx grains. As such, they bear no systematic relationship to the
501 present-day Opx grain structure. However, based on their textural form and overall
502 characteristics, we interpret them to be Cpx exsolution lamellae from an earlier pyroxene,
503 analogous to similar Cpx exsolution from pyroxenes in the Nain Anorthosite complex
504 (Smith, 1974), Enderby Land (Harley, 1987) and the Skaergaard Intrusion (Holness et al.,
505 2011). The ternary compositions of these lamellae are plotted as the blue star in Figure 10.

506

507 Individual host Opx grains (Opx2) also contain a younger generation (based on
508 cross-cutting relationships) of well-developed, linear, sharp-edged Cpx exsolution
509 lamellae (CpxL-2; Fig. 13b,c) parallel to (100). These lamellae cluster near the Hd - high-
510 Ca Aug (Fig. 10) range, and possess sub-micron Opx exsolution lamellae that are nearly
511 perpendicular to the long-axis of the host Cpx lamellae. Based on similarity of form and
512 relative chronology, we infer these Cpx-hosted Opx lamellae to be equivalent to the Opx
513 lamellae in 123220 (Fig. 12d).

514

515 The bulk rock clinopyroxene grains have two distinct sets of exsolution lamellae,
516 similar in morphology and orientation to OpxL1 and OpxL3 observed in sample 159966.
517 We infer them to be of the same relative chronology and significance.

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519 Also observed in Opx2 are rare omphacite (Omp) + Cc lamellae. These occur as
520 well-defined lamellar structures (Fig. 13b) or as blebs at the terminations of Cpx lamellae
521 in Opx. The Omp composition was consistently within a few percent of

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523 $(\text{Na}_{0.13}\text{Ca}_{0.44}\text{Mg}_{0.12}\text{Fe}_{0.31})_{1.00}(\text{Mg}_{0.19}\text{Fe}^{2+}_{0.51}\text{Mn}_{0.04}\text{Al}_{0.29}\text{Ti}_{0.02})_{1.03}(\text{Al}_{0.23}\text{Si}_{1.77})_{2.0}\text{O}_6$.

524

525 This composition is unusual in that the stoichiometry appears to require a
526 substantial proportion of Mg and Fe^{2+} in the M2 site. In terms of the ternary components
527 acmite-jadeite-(diopside-hedenbergite-CaTschermakite) this Omp are sodian augite
528 (Essene and Fyfe, 1967) which are associated with type A eclogites. We interpret these
529 Na- and Al-rich pyroxenes, and the Cc with which they are always associated, to be
530 exsolved phases from the Cpx exsolution lamellae.

531

532 The sets of coarse CpxL-1 lamellae that are discordant to later generations of
533 pyroxene lamellae and grain boundaries, must represent the remnants of an earlier
534 mineralogy. We have reconstructed the textural relationships of that mineralogy by
535 assuming that coherent sets of lamellae formed from the same grain. On this basis we re-
536 constructed the pre-existing grain boundaries, assuming that the areal limit of each
537 coherent set approximated the extent of the original grain (Fig. 14). The results show that
538 the earlier grains were significantly coarser (> 0.3 cm) than the current host pyroxene
539 grains, and they appeared to form a polygonal mosaic, rather than the irregular grain
540 geometries exhibited by the current bulk rock pyroxenes.

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542 **Olivines and Ahrensite (Fe-Ringwoodite) (?)**

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544 In sample 123220, three discrete generations of olivines occur. The oldest olivines
545 (Ol-1) occur as rounded inclusions in the mantle zones of first generation garnets. These
546 olivines are the most Mg-rich ($\sim \text{Fo}_{3.75} \text{Fa}_{85} \text{Tep}_{11.25}$) of any observed in sample 123220
547 (Fig. 15). Olivine suite Ol-2 are the poorest in Mg ($\sim \text{Fo}_{1.8} \text{Fa}_{86} \text{Tep}_{12.2}$), and only occur
548 within inclusions in Pgt. These Ol-2 olivines are the reaction products from the
549 breakdown of Fs to Fa + Fe-Hd + Qtz. Olivine suite Ol-3 ($\sim \text{Fo}_2 \text{Fa}_{86} \text{Tep}_{12}$) compose
550 the bulk of the olivines in this rock, and consistently are in contact with quartz. These
551 groundmass olivines occasionally have sets of lamellae of Mag and Fs.

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553 Olivines in sample 159966 appear, optically, to be of a single generation, and are
554 invariably in contact with quartz. They, too, have individual lamellae of Mag. The
555 compositional range of olivines from both samples span the same range, although there is
556 a clear clustering at higher Mg values for the olivines in sample 159966.

557

558 An unusual feature observed in sample 123220 are very fine Qtz lamellae in the
559 core of a few Fa grains (Fig. 16a,b). These lamellae occur in small clusters and
560 commonly terminate along prominent cracks. The compositions of the hosting fayalitic
561 olivines was $\text{Fo}_2 \text{Fa}_{86} \text{Tep}_{12}$, which overlaps with that of the olivines in the bulk rock. The
562 morphology of these Qtz lamellae are reminiscent of exsolution features. In addition, the
563 lamellae have a consistent crystallographic orientation with respect to each other and the
564 enclosing olivine. These characteristics strongly suggest that the Qtz lamellae exsolved
565 from the enclosing grains. We speculate that these lamellae are evidence for the earlier
566 presence of ahrensite (i.e., Fe-ringwoodite), as detailed in the Discussion section, below.

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568 **DISCUSSION**

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570 The presence of remnant diamonds in graphitic inclusions in garnet mantles in
571 sample 123220, and similar graphitic inclusions in sample 159966, establishes that at
572 least portions of the supracrustal belts close to the northern boundary of the NSSZ must
573 have experienced P-T conditions associated with UHP metamorphism.

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575 The presence of inclusions that, although recrystallized to Cl-bearing hydrous
576 phases, have integrated bulk compositions of Opx, and for which crystallographic
577 orientations are consistent with exsolution from garnet, provide strong evidence that the
578 garnets crystallized as majorite during the period of time at which the mantle regions of
579 the garnets in 123220 and 159966 grew. This is strong corroborating evidence that these
580 rocks experienced P-T conditions well within the UHP metamorphic regime. Phase
581 assemblages and compositions provide additional corroborating evidence through
582 thermobarometric models and phase equilibria calculations.

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584 **P-T Constraints From Geothermometry, Geobarometry and Phase Equilibria**

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586 A number of calibrations have been published for calculating temperatures from
587 co-existing Opx and Cpx, and pressures from coexisting Opx-Grt. Both assemblages are
588 common in these samples. We have chosen to use the calibration of Brey and Kohler
589 (1990) because it was derived from fits to high pressure experimental data and provides

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590 the most consistent results for our samples, while also corresponding to constraints
591 derived from phase equilibria and Thermocalc (v3.36; Holland and Powell, 2011)
592 models (described below) for these rocks. However, the unusual composition of the rocks
593 we describe in this study does not directly correspond to any experimental systems
594 relevant for UHP studies. In particular, the Mn-rich nature of the phases is associated
595 with important non-ideal thermodynamic properties (e.g., Geiger and Feenstra, 1997).
596 The P-T conditions computed for these rocks, therefore, are subject to uncertainties that
597 cannot be quantified at this time and the P-T conditions that we present must be
598 considered tentative. In addition, the complex exsolution and recrystallization histories
599 recorded by these rocks require careful assessment of textural relationships to determine
600 the appropriate EMP-derived compositions to use for calculating a P and T for a
601 particular stage in the recrystallization history of these rocks.

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603 The appropriate compositions to use for calculating P-T conditions for the
604 inversion of majorite to Grt + Opx are the re-mixed garnet + 6% Opx compositions
605 (Table 1) and the computed Opx composition from the reconstituted alteration products
606 (Table 1) studied in detail for sample 159966. We applied the same strategy to 123220,
607 assuming the exsolved orthopyroxene had the same composition as that in 159966.
608 Although this will introduce some error in the calculation, the nearly identical
609 compositions of all phases in these two rocks make such an approach reasonable, and the
610 resulting error likely to be very minor. We also computed the re-mixed Opx and Cpx in
611 the bulk rock, and computed temperature as a function of pressure. The intersections of
612 the trajectories of P-T points for these Grt-Opx and Opx-Cpx calibrations allows P and T

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613 to be established at time of the majorite-garnet transition. These intersections should
614 occur near the lower pressure limit for majorite stability.

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616 The resulting P and T are essentially identical for the two samples; 7.0 (+/- 1.0)
617 GPa, 975 (+/- 55)^oC for 123220 and 6.9 (+/- 1.0) GPa, 985 (+/- 60)^oC for 159966 (Fig.
618 17). These intersections fall just below the lower pressure limit for the majoritic garnets
619 of this composition, and closely correlate to conditions inferred from the mixing lines of
620 Sautter et al (1991) (Figs. 6 and 17). The consistency of these independent approaches
621 lends credence to the validity of these results. Even so, the strong disparity between the
622 compositions of these phases and the experimental systems upon which the calculations
623 are based requires that these results be viewed with caution.

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625 Temperatures for sample 540521b were computed using the integrated
626 compositions for the coarse Opx and Cpx. Pressure was computed using the range of
627 garnet compositions in the mantle zones in which exsolution lamellae of Fs + Rt
628 (inferred) was observed. We did not re-integrate the garnet compositions because of the
629 unusual Fe-Ti characteristics of that system. The computed P and T were 8.0 (+/- 0.8)
630 GPa and 1051 (+/- 80)^oC, respectively. Our experience with samples 123220 and 159966
631 showed that re-integrating the garnet-orthopyroxene compositions lowered the pressures
632 by about 1 GPa, (compared to un-reintegrated compositions) which we also believe
633 would be the case if the garnet compositions of 540521b could have been re-integrated
634 for this sample.

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636 We also computed the pressure-dependent Opx-Cpx temperatures for various
637 observed compositional combinations of Cpx lamellae and Opx host, and Opx lamellae
638 and cCpxpx hosts (dashed lines in Fig. 17). In all cases, these un-mixed compositions
639 provide temperatures that are incompatible with constraining phase equilibria (e.g., $Fs \Leftrightarrow$
640 $Fa + Qtz$; and $Cpx-Opx-Pgt$; see discussion below). We conclude that these compositions
641 represent diffusional re-equilibration of the thin Cpx-Opx lamellae pairs during cooling
642 and uplift.

643

644 *Constraining Phase equilibria*

645 Three phase relationships provide tight P-T constraints on the evolution of these
646 rocks, beyond those provided by the diamond and majorite assemblages. These
647 constraints are based on computed P-T conditions using Thermocalc (v3.36, ds61;
648 Holland and Powell, 2011) for reactions $Fs \Leftrightarrow Fa + Qtz$ and $Fs + Rt \Leftrightarrow Ilm + Qtz$; and
649 experimental results that establish conditions for the coexistence of the 3-phase pyroxene
650 assemblage Cpx-Opx-Pgt for the compositions we observe (Lindsley, 1983).

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652 Sample 123220 provides unequivocal evidence of the reaction

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656 as inclusions in Pgt (Fig. 12). The reactant assemblage is also the common bulk-rock
657 mineralogy of this sample, which requires that at least part of the present day Fa-Qtz
658 assemblage that is dominant in this rock must be derivative from inversion from an

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659 earlier Fs-dominated paragenesis. For the compositions of the reaction products, the
660 conditions of formation are enclosed within the small shaded ellipse in Figure 17, i.e., 0.9
661 GPa at 885°C to 1.7 GPa at 960°C. The P-T trajectory of sample 123220 must pass
662 through this region upon decompression and cooling. Given the ubiquitous presence in
663 the rock matrix of this reactant assemblage in sample 159966, and the near-identical
664 composition of the mineral phases to those in sample 123220, sample 159966 must also
665 have followed the same P-T trajectory through this set of conditions.

666

667 The coexistence of the 3-phase pyroxene assemblage Cpx-Opx-Pgt in sample
668 123220 also constrains P-T conditions, since this unusual assemblage will persist in a
669 narrow P-T band, for the phase compositions observed in this sample. Based on the
670 experimental data of Lindsley (1983), the linear trajectory from the high P-T conditions
671 recorded by the exsolved Opx in garnets in this sample, to the Fa + Qtz field, crosses the
672 3-pyroxene field at 2.9 (+/- 0.2) GPa at 950 (+/- 15)°C (Fig. 17).

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674 The assemblage of Ilm + Qtz is contained in the segmented remnants of exsolved
675 rods in the garnets in sample 540521b. The reaction

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679 constrains the the P-T conditions for the development of this assemblage since the
680 product-side of this reaction, which is the high T – low P assemblage, is now the defining
681 mineralogy of the rods. We used Thermocalc to compute the conditions for this reaction

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682 (Fig. 17). Since sample 540521b was collected approximately 2 km east of sample
683 123220, the uplift trajectory of these two samples is likely to be very similar, thus
684 suggesting that the Ilm + Qtz assemblage developed during decompression at
685 approximately 4 GPa at 980°C. We note, however, that the extremely small size of the
686 individual grains may result in some surface energy contribution to the overall energetics
687 of the reaction, and hence may bias, to some unknown extent, the actual P-T of the
688 reaction to conditions that are different from those calculated.

689

690 Pyroxene textures, particularly in samples 159966 and 540521b, indicate that
691 these garnet pyroxenites were composed of a single pyroxene phase (coarse-grained Fe-
692 rich Aug or Fs) that coexisted with majoritic garnet. The enrichment in light rare earth
693 elements observed in the garnet mantles is consistent with the solubility of a pyroxene
694 component in garnet (i.e., majorite), since pyroxenes consistently have higher La/Yb
695 ratios than garnets (Mazzucchelli et al., 1992; Vannucci et al., 1994). Hence, these rocks,
696 at their most extreme UHP conditions, were majorite pyroxenites. In the case of sample
697 123220, ahrensite may have been present with this assemblage.

698

699 This sequence of exsolution and phase re-equilibration suggests that
700 decompression was almost isothermal, with a ΔT of 100°C to 150°C over a ΔP of about 6
701 GPa. During this decompression, Rt needles exsolved from garnets and Omp + Cc
702 exsolved from pyroxenes. Although Rt exsolving from garnets is clearly associated with
703 UHP metamorphism (Ague and Eckert, 2012), and Omp is a common pyroxene in high-
704 pressure eclogites (Coleman et al., 1965; Ernst and Liou, 2008), their presence can only

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705 be used to confirm the UHP history of these rocks, but cannot be used to specify specific
706 P-T conditions because their development can occur over a very wide P-T range.

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708 *Are the quartz lamellae in fayalite evidence for prior ahrensite?*

709 As previously noted, Qtz needles with the textural characteristics of exsolution
710 lamellae occur in a few rare olivines in sample 123220. Since these olivines are currently
711 stoichiometric Fa, the presence of lamellae of Qtz requires that a prior phase
712 accommodated excess silica. To our knowledge, exsolution of Qtz from olivine has not
713 been reported in the literature, nor have there been reports of super-silicic olivine.
714 However, Akaogi and Akimoto (1979), Irifune and Ringwood (1987) and Hazen et al.
715 (1993), have shown that the UHP wadsleyite-ringwoodite (i.e., spinel-structured olivine)
716 series can contain excess Si. Theoretically, therefore, spinel-structured olivines in the
717 wadsleyite-ringwoodite series would exsolve silica upon decompression and inversion to
718 olivine if they were initially super-silicic. We therefore speculate that the Qtz needles
719 observed in our sample might have developed in response to inversion of high-pressure
720 supersilicic ahrensite to Fa upon decompression. If this were the case, excess Si in the
721 ahrensite would have to be accommodated via a vacancy substitution mechanism in
722 which $\square\text{SiFe}_2$ (Day and Mulcahy, 2007) occurs. Upon inversion of ahrensite to Fa
723 during decompression, the reaction

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725 $(\text{Fe}_2\text{SiO}_4 + (\text{Fe}_2\text{SiO}_4 + \square\text{SiFe}_2)) \Leftrightarrow (\text{Fe}_2\text{SiO}_4 + (\text{Fe}_2\text{SiO}_4 + \square\text{SiFe}_2))$

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ahrensite \Leftrightarrow Fa with excess Si

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728 would result. This phase inversion would be followed (or accompanied) by exsolution of
729 Qtz lamellae via the reaction

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732
$$\text{Fa with excess Si} \qquad \qquad \text{Fa} \qquad \text{Qtz}$$

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734 Although highly speculative, this explanation for the Qtz lamellae are consistent
735 with exsolution lamellae of Ilm and chromite (Chr) in Ol, interpreted to have exsolved
736 during inversion of UHP spinel-structured olivine to Ol, (Dobrzhinetskaya et al., 1996,
737 2000; Bozhilov, 2003). As we noted previously, Mag lamellae in the olivines also occur
738 in 123220. These may be analogous to the Ilm and Chr lamellae reported previously,
739 which would be consistent with the Fe-rich nature of this assemblages and the
740 interpretation of the prior presence of ahrensite.

741

742 For the pure Fe-Mg system, the composition of the olivines observed in this
743 sample would require that the pressure conditions for the initial inversion would be ca. 5
744 GPa at 1200°C. For lower temperatures, a lower pressure would be required, but the
745 minimum P-T for ahrensite formation has not been established.

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747 *Defining the prograde metamorphic path*

748 There are very few unequivocal remnants of minerals useful for defining the
749 prograde metamorphic path of these rocks. One important observation that is useful for
750 deducing the prograde path, however, is that the first mineral to form on the retrograde

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751 path these rocks experience is amphibole, which replaces pyroxenes in all rocks in
752 localities in the immediate vicinity (on the scale of meters) of the samples described in
753 this report. This fact suggests that amphibole is a likely precursor mineral phase in the
754 prograde development of the mineral assemblages of interest. Consistent with this
755 observation is the fact that the normalized REE pattern values for Eu through Dy in the
756 garnets in 123220 (Fig. 4) exactly parallel the variation pattern obtained by Konrad-
757 Schmolke et al (2008) in their forward modeling of Grt growth from amphibole (Amp)
758 breakdown. The convex-upward hump in this portion of the REE pattern results from
759 breakdown of Amp and a Cpx I to Grt and a Cpx II. Their modeling also results in an
760 enrichment in the Ca-component in the Grt, which we also observed in the inner to
761 middle mantle zone in 123220 (Fig.4d).

762

763 Assuming that an Amp phase was part of earlier mineral assemblages,
764 Schmädicke and Evans (1997) calculated the locations of equilibria in ultramafic rocks
765 from Erzgebirge (Bohemian Massif) that, among other relationships, defined garnet-
766 genesis reactions from amphibole-breakdown using an early version of Thermocalc
767 (Holland and Powell, 1990). The computed P-T constraints are indicated by the green
768 box in Figure 17. Konrad-Schmolke et al. (2008), calculated similar constraints for
769 eclogitic rocks from the Western Gneiss Region (Norway) using a separate forward-
770 calculation approach. Their results are shown as the blue box in Figure 17. We conducted
771 phase equilibria calculations using a more recent version of Thermocalc and the bulk
772 composition for sample 123220. The results of these calculations are the blue cross in

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773 Figure 17. All of these calculations define a broad but consistent field in P-T space
774 through which sample 123220 must have passed during subduction.

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776 We conclude that the overlapping P-T conditions from these diverse studies, and
777 the compositional correspondences for REE and Ca, provide strong evidence that the
778 prograde path for sample 123220 must have been close to the P-T conditions indicated by
779 the blue cross in Figure 17.

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781 The earliest portion of the prograde path is recorded by the Fe-rich, clear core
782 zones in the garnets where, in addition, striking enrichments in Ti and Cr were previously
783 noted. Given the high concentrations of Fe and Mn in these rocks, we speculate that the
784 initial low- to medium grade metamorphic assemblages in these rocks may have
785 contained a piemontite-like phase along with Mag/maghemite/Ilm phases. If that were the
786 case, the initial and lowest grade garnet-forming reactions may well have involved these
787 minerals, which likely would have partitioned minor and trace components such as Cr
788 and Ti into the Grt reaction products.

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790 *Regional variations and location of the subduction complex*

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792 Figure 17 compares the maximum P-T conditions of these UHP samples with a
793 selected suite of other trajectories deduced from other samples in the NSSZ. Sample
794 492042E is an HP Grt-Spl-Ol gneiss (Glassley et al., 2007) that is from a similarly
795 positioned supracrustal unit as the samples described here, but occurring more than 25

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796 km to the east of 159966 (see Fig. 1). Its decompression trajectory is very similar to that
797 of the UHP samples. The other trajectories are from different rock units that are 15 km to
798 the southeast (Marranguit, a sequence of marbles and pelitic schists) and >30 km east
799 (468340 and 492045, mafic gneisses) of the UHP sample sites. The contrasting P-T
800 trajectories recorded by the UHP and HP samples, relative to all other well-constrained
801 trajectories in the NO, suggest that a high degree of tectonic interleaving is required to
802 juxtapose rocks with such different pressure histories. Whether this reflects complex
803 mixing processes within a subduction channel, tectonic imbrication during continent-
804 continent collision or tectonic slicing during development of the shear zone, or all three,
805 remains a question for further investigation.

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807 These UHP conditions greatly exceed those that have long been inferred for any
808 part of the Paleoproterozoic rocks of West Greenland (e.g., Hansen, 1979; Glassley and
809 Sørensen, 1980; van Gool et al, 2002), which has experienced a well-documented upper
810 amphibolite to granulite facies metamorphism at ca. 1850 my (Hickman and Glassley,
811 1984; Taylor and Kalsbeek, 1990; Kalsbeek and Nutman, 1996; Connelly and Mengel,
812 2000; Connelly et al., 2000). We attribute this late discovery of the UHP metamorphic
813 episode to several factors. First, although two (123220 and 159966) of the four samples
814 we describe here were collected in the late 1960s and early 1970s, the significance of
815 their mineralogy could not have been established at that time because there was very little
816 experimental data that would have suggested such high pressure conditions were
817 recorded in those rocks. Second, the vast majority of rocks in this terrain have been
818 through pervasive deformation and recrystallization under typical upper amphibolite to

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819 granulite facies conditions. This deformation has been associated with influx of fluids
820 and metasomatic alteration and recrystallization (Glassley et al., 2010). Preservation of
821 UHP mineralogy is exceedingly rare, as a result, and confined to those volumetrically
822 trivial rock masses that have escaped elevated H₂O activity/infiltration and deformation.
823 The consistent presence of Cc with exsolved Omp, and with inverted pyroxenes may
824 imply that elevated CO₂ activity prevented thorough hydration/recrystallization of these
825 rocks by buffering them to low a_{H2O}. Third, the unusual bulk rock composition (Fe- and
826 Mn-rich; alkali-, Mg-, Al- and Si-poor) of these samples favors development of
827 characteristic UHP mineralogies (e.g., majoritic garnets; complex pyroxene relationships,
828 etc.) at the lowest P-T range reached by these mineral assemblages. Bulk rock
829 compositions that are Mg-richer and Fe-poorer require significantly higher P-T
830 conditions for the characteristic mineralogical features to develop.

831

832 These UHP samples resolve uncertainty that has persisted regarding the location
833 of a “cryptic” suture in this region (Kalsbeek et al., 1987; van Gool et al., 2002; Glassley
834 et al., 2010). Given that UHP conditions result from processes within subduction
835 complexes, it is clear that the subduction zone that was active in this region must have
836 been located along the northern boundary of the NSSZ, and that late stage shearing that
837 so prominently deforms these rocks represents oblique shear of the subduction mélange
838 complex during and after continent-continent collision.

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840 *Comparison with other UHP terrains*

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842 Figure 18 shows that the NSSZ UHP samples fall at the high pressure – low
843 temperature range of previously reported UHP locations. Given that the previous reports
844 are from much younger terrains, this set of P-T conditions is somewhat surprising. What
845 this may mean for Paleoproterozoic mantle conditions in subduction zones remains
846 unclear until more such sites are identified and studied. Either subduction rates at this
847 location were rapid enough to cool the subduction zone, resulting in deeply suppressed
848 isotherms, or mantle thermal gradients were relatively low. It is evident, however, that
849 exhumation rates must have been exceedingly high in order for thermal conditions to
850 have changed such a small amount during uplift. Even so, the trajectory in P-T space
851 follows closely that depicted by Gilotti (2013) for “hot” UHP trajectories, except at the
852 very highest pressure region where our UHP samples marginally cross into the so called
853 “forbidden zone”.

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855 The interpretation we present that the delicate quartz needles preserved in olivine
856 in sample 123220 represent exsolution from a ringwoodite phase is speculative. Given
857 that the bulk of fayalite in this sample formed as a result of ferrosilite breakdown to
858 fayalite and quartz at pressures less than 2 GPa, our interpretation can be correct only if
859 the UHP assemblage was initially garnet – ringwoodite - Fe-rich augite/ferrosilite (+/-
860 fayalite). Upon decompression, ringwoodite would invert to olivine with excess silica
861 through a vacancy substitution scheme. At some point below the ferrosilite-breakdown
862 reaction to fayalite plus quartz (or perhaps during that process), exsolution of the quartz
863 needles occurred. The fact that the clusters of needles are commonly sharply terminated
864 at prominent cracks in the fayalite suggests that nucleation and growth of the quartz

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865 lamellae may have been initiated along discrete zones stressed by crystallographic
866 adjustments related to relaxation associated with the vacancy substitution scheme
867 previously noted. However, further experimental work and recovery of similar samples
868 that preserve the sequence of events we postulate is needed to evaluate this speculation.
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870 **IMPLICATIONS**

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872 Remnants of majoritic garnet, diamond, rutile needles exsolved from garnet and
873 pyroxenes, and complex pyroxene exsolution textures that include exsolution of
874 omphacite, along with possible evidence of ringwoodite, indicate that a previously
875 unrecognized UHP metamorphic rock sequence exists in the western region of the
876 Nagssugtoqidian shear zone near and along its northern boundary. This metamorphic
877 complex formed during Paleoproterozoic subduction and marks the location of the suture
878 that formed during continent-continent collision ca. 1850 mya. This is the first report of
879 UHP metamorphism in the Paleoproterozoic rocks of West Greenland.

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881 Although providing new insight into the complex tectonic history of this region,
882 further work needs to be conducted to resolve the following key outstanding issues:

- 883 1. Are the UHP rocks contained within a tectonic slice transported from depth and
884 interleaved into lower P-T rock units, or is there a continuous UHP terrain in this
885 region?
- 886 2. The unusual composition of these rocks does not directly correspond to any
887 experimental systems relevant for UHP studies. In particular, the Mn-rich nature

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888 of the phases is associated with important non-ideal thermodynamic properties
889 (e.g., Geiger and Feenstra, 1997). The P-T conditions computed for these rocks,
890 therefore, are subject to uncertainties that cannot be quantified at this time.
891 Further experimental and theoretical work needs to be done that would allow
892 these uncertainties to be quantitatively evaluated.

893 3. Is the unexpectedly low T at high P for these UHP rocks representative of mantle
894 conditions during the Paleoproterozoic or are these rocks recording aberrant
895 conditions relative to the average thermal structure in subduction zones of that
896 period? Or, do these UHP rocks record very rapid subduction rates that may have
897 been characteristic for Paleoproterozoic subduction systems?

898 4. The postulated presence of reaction products from ringwoodite breakdown is
899 speculative. Further work needs to be done to test this suggestion. If it is correct,
900 ringwoodite remnants may be present in other UHP regions in which Fe-rich
901 assemblages occur.

902 The ability to identify these unusual assemblages reflects a serendipitous
903 confluence of circumstances – Fe- and Mn-rich rocks that were relatively undeformed,
904 and escaped significant hydration during exhumation. These observations suggest that
905 such lithologies should be considered targets for detailed investigations in regions where
906 HP or UHP conditions may be suspected.

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936 **Figure and Table Captions**
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938 Figure 1. A. Geologic and tectonic domain map of Greenland showing the location of the
939 study region (white box) in West Greenland. B. The distribution of lithologic units,
940 structural features within the Nagssugtoqidian orogeny (NO), and the Nordre Strømfjord
941 shear zone (NSSZ). C. Sample locations for samples treated in this report. Sample
942 492042E is indicated in B, as well as the location of the study area (white box) depicted
943 in C.

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945 Figure 2. Field photos of outcrops for areas associated with samples 123220 (A.) and
946 540521b (C.). Thin sections of the respective samples studied in this report are shown in
947 B. and D. Also shown are the locations on the thin sections of other figures in this report.

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949 Figure 3. Garnets and inclusions in samples 159966 and 540521b. A. Photomicrograph
950 (plane light, true color) of garnet in 159966. Note the clear core, inclusion-rich mantle
951 and clear rim. B. Photomicrograph (plane light, black and white processed 3-D image) of
952 the inclusion-rich region shown in A. Note the aligned crystallographic form of the
953 inclusions. C. Photomicrograph (plane light, true color) of garnet in 540521b. D.
954 Photomicrograph (plane light, true color) of boxed area in C. E. Back-scattered electron
955 (BSE) image of inclusions in D. White is Ilm, black is Qtz. All inclusions in the inclusion
956 trains seen in C. consist of the same mineralogy.

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958 Figure 4. Compositional characteristics of garnet in sample 123220. A., B. Electron
959 microprobe (EMP) point traverse for atomic proportion (based on 12 O) of Fe (A.; dots
960 and solid line), Mg (A.; circles and dashed line), Mn (B.; dots and solid line) and Ca (B.;
961 circles and dashed line). Clear core and rim regions are indicated. C. LA-ICPMS spot
962 analyses for Cr and Ti (clear core zone is indicated). Error bars are 1 sigma for Ti, based
963 on counting statistics. Error bars for Cr are smaller than the circles. The distance scale
964 uses a different origin for reference than that used in A. and B. D. LA-ICPMS analysis of
965 rare earth element (REE) distributions (normalized to chondrites; Sun and McDonough,
966 1989) for the core, mantle (range indicated by double arrow) and rim of garnet. For
967 comparison, garnet REE distributions from the Western Gneiss Region of Norway
968 (Konrad-Schmolke et al., 2008), Himalayan majorities (Scambelluri et al., 2008) and
969 South African kimberlites (Lazarov et al., 2012) are also shown. The locations of the LA-
970 ICP-MS analyses are indicated by the stars in A; the two stars linked by double arrows
971 span the mantle compositions indicated in D.

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973 Figure 5. EMP analyses for pyroxenes and inclusions in sample 159966. A. Variation
974 diagrams for the atomic proportions of Mg vs Fe. B. Variation diagrams for the atomic
975 proportions of Ca vs Si. Unaltered Opx are indicated by solid dots. Compositions of
976 inclusions are shown by gray dots. Boxes indicate the three end members, based on
977 clustered analyses. The star indicates the computed composition for Opx exsolved from
978 Grt, based on re-mixing of the inclusions in proportions inferred from observed relative
979 abundances of each end member.

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981 Figure 6. Atomic proportion of Al vs Si in Grt (on the basis of 12 O) from the indicated
982 sources. The orange crosses are sample averages for all garnet analyses obtained from
983 samples within the NSSZ since 1980. The red, green and black dots are the spot analyses
984 for samples 123220, 540521b and 159966, respectively. The gray boxes indicate the
985 garnet composition resulting from re-mixing of the indicated proportions of garnet and
986 exsolved orthopyroxene for 159966. The dashed line indicates the Haggerty and Sautter
987 (1991) trend for majorities, as a function of pressure (labeled tick marks).

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989 Figure 7. Carbon (C) inclusions in garnet in 123220. The upper figure is a BSE image of
990 the garnet with the C inclusions indicated by the boxes. Note that they only occur
991 throughout the mantle region of the garnet. Lower right image is a reflected light
992 photomicrograph of the large (right) and small (left) grains identified in Figure 8 as Grain
993 5 large and Grain 5 small, respectively. The middle lower figure is a photomicrograph of
994 the same grains in plane polarized transmitted light, natural color. Note the well-defined
995 faceted forms, particularly for the smaller inclusion. Lower left image is a
996 photomicrograph (3-D, transmitted plane light, processed black and white) of the same
997 inclusions as in the lower right image. The symmetry is cubic, with a well-developed
998 hexagonal cross section in the small grain resulting from the thin section surface cutting
999 the grain close to the (1.5 1.5 1.5) plane. Note also the decompression cracks radiating
1000 from the basal portion of the larger grain.

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1002 Figure 8. Raman spectra of C grains 1 (5pt8), 5 small (5pt3) and 5 large (5pt4-2 and 5pt7)
1003 indicated in the garnet shown in Figure 7. Reference spectral lines for diamond (blue

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1004 line) and graphite (green lines) are also shown. The red line and shaded region are
1005 background garnet lines. The Raman spot spectrum for Grain 5 large (5pt4-2) was taken
1006 adjacent to the spot 5pt7, which was also in Grain 5 large.

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1008 Figure 9. Photomicrographs of rutile exsolution in garnet 540599. Upper image is crossed
1009 nichols, lower image is 3-D, transmitted plane light, processed black and white image
1010 from a region near that of the upper image. The angular relationships between the three
1011 orientations of needles is shown in the upper left box of the lower image. If the section
1012 were oriented such that the symmetry axis were exactly vertical (instead of slightly
1013 inclined), the angular relationship would be 120° .

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1015 Figure 10. Pyroxene ternary diagram for samples 123220, 159966 and 540521b. See text
1016 for explanation. For 123220 and 159966 Cpx are indicated by squares and Opx by circles.
1017 All pyroxene analyses from sample 540521b are shown by circles, except for the labeled
1018 stars, which are discussed in the text.

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1020 Figure 11. BSE images of pyroxene textures in 159966. A. Cpx and Opx host grains
1021 detailed in B, C and D. Also shown are the linear contacts between crystals that parallel
1022 (100) and (001). B. Pyroxene lamellae OpxL1 and OpxL2 (light gray) in host Cpx (dark
1023 gray). C. Detail of pyroxene lamellae OpxL1 and OpxL3 (light gray) in host Cpx (dark
1024 gray). Also shown, for reference, are the orientations of (100) and (001). D. Detail of
1025 oxide and CpxL1 lamellae in host Opx.

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1027 Figure 12. Images of pyroxene textures in 123220. A. Large Pgt grain with Rt lamellae
1028 and Fa-Qtz-(Fe-)Hd inclusions. Also shown are matrix Fa, Cpx and Qtz (plain light). B.
1029 Detail of Rt lamellae in Pgt (plain light). C. BSE detailed image of idiomorphic Fa-Qtz-
1030 (Fe-)Hd inclusion in A. Note the OpxL1 lamellae in the Fe-Hd. D. BSE detailed image of
1031 interface region between Fa and Fe-Hd with OpxL1 lamellae. Black arrow points to
1032 cusped grain boundary discussed in text.

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1034 Figure 13. Pyroxene textures in 540521b. A. Photomicrograph (crossed nicols) of coarse
1035 Cpx lamellae (ferrosalites; CpxL-1) crosscutting Opx hosts and later generation Cpx
1036 lamellae. B. BSE detail of the finer Cpx lamellae, including the Omp + Cc lamellae. C.
1037 BSE image of details of pyroxene textures in A. Note the undulose, irregular grain
1038 margins of the CpxL-1 generation of lamellae and the sharp, linear grain margins of the
1039 later Cpx lamellae.

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1041 Figure 14. Reconstructed grain boundaries (upper figure) in the area depicted in Figure
1042 13A (lower image). Red lines indicate the length, location and orientation of the CpxL-1
1043 lamellae. The heavy black lines outline the original grain boundaries for the earliest
1044 homogeneous pyroxene phase required by the orientations and extent of the CpxL-1
1045 lamellae. The dashed lines are the current Opx grain boundaries.

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1047 Figure 15. Olivine compositions for 123220 and 159966, in terms of Fe vs Mg (atoms per
1048 formula unit on the basis of 4 O). Ol-1 indicates the analyses for the olivines enclosed in
1049 the host garnet shown in Figure 7. Ol-2 indicates the field that encloses olivine analyses

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1050 obtained for the Fa in the inclusion shown in Figure 12C. Ol-3 are analyses from olivines
1051 in the 123220 bulk rock.

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1053 Figure 16. Qtz needles in Fa, 123220. A. Transmitted light, crossed nicols of Fa crystal
1054 with areas with quartz fibers (indicated). Boxed region shows area depicted in B. Also
1055 shown are coexisting matrix Cpx and Qtz. B. Reflected light image of boxed area in A.
1056 Dark rods are Qtz fibers.

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1058 Figure 17. Pressure – temperature constraints for samples 123220, 159966 and 540521b.
1059 Orange and green circles are computed intersections for remixed mineral compositions
1060 using Brey and Köhler (1990) Cpx-Opx thermometry (computed as a function of
1061 pressure) and Opx-Grt barometry (computed as a function of temperature), for 123220
1062 and 159966, respectively. The error bars bound the regions of intersections. The error
1063 bars for 540521b indicate the range of intersections for un-remixed compositions. The
1064 heavy red line is the $Fs + Rt \rightleftharpoons Ilm + Qtz$ equilibrium, derived from Thermocalc
1065 (Holland and Powell, 2011). Also shown is the field, computed using Thermocalc, for the
1066 $Fs \rightleftharpoons Fa + Qtz$ reaction, for the observed mineral compositions in sample 123220
1067 (detailed in text). The field for the 3-phase pyroxene assemblage for 123220 is indicated
1068 by the pink field, based on Lindsley (1983). Dashed lines are the locus of pressure-
1069 dependent temperatures from Cpx-Opx thermometry on unmixed coexisting pyroxene
1070 lamellae for the indicated samples. The univariant equilibria for diamond \rightleftharpoons graphite is
1071 shown for reference. The fields for majorite (based on Sautter et al., 1991 and Ono, 1998)
1072 and ringwoodite + fayalite, as proxy for ahrensite + fayalite (Irifune and Ringwood,

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1073 1987; Akaogi and Ito, 1989; Miyahara et al., 2008) are also shown. The green- and blue-
1074 boxed areas and the blue error bars are P-T constraints derived for garnet growth at the
1075 expense of amphibole and clinopyroxene (see text discussion for details). Orange, blue
1076 and green heavy lines indicate the simplest trajectories for the samples that also
1077 correspond to phase equilibria constraints. The P-T trajectories for other regional samples
1078 (468340, 492042E, 492045 and Marranguit) are shown for comparison.

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1080 Figure 18. P-T conditions for reported UHP terrains and the P-T loop for our UHP
1081 samples (red loop). The UHP trajectory for the samples described in this report are
1082 lumped together into a single trajectory (red loop), based on the assumption they
1083 experienced the same history. Gray ovals indicate discrete P-T constraints for the
1084 prograde and retrograde path, as discussed in the text. The yellow loop is the P-T
1085 trajectory for cold UHP metamorphism from Gilotti (2013). The other reported UHP
1086 terrains are: 1. Rhodope, Greece (Mposkos and Kostopoulos, 2001); 2. Saxonian
1087 Erzgebirge, Saldenbach reservoir (Massonne 2003; Hwang et al. 2007); 3. Garnet
1088 peridotite, North Qaidam, Tibetan Plateau (Song et al. 2004); 4. Garnet peridotite, Otrøy,
1089 Western Gneiss Region, Norway (Van Roermund et al. 2000); 5. Yangkou mafic-
1090 ultramafic complex, Sulu terrain, China (Zhang et al., et al. 2003); 6. Garnet peridotites,
1091 Czech Republic (Vrána, 2008); 7. Eclogite xenoliths, Premier Kimberlite (Dludla et al.
1092 2006); 8. Felsic granulites, Bohemian Massif (Kröner et al., 2000; O'Brien and Rötzler,
1093 2003; Hwang et al., 2007; Kotková et al. 2011); 9. Felsic granulite, Western Gneiss
1094 Region, Norway (Larsen et al., 1998); 10. Eclogite, Junan, Sulu Terrain (Zhang et al.,

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1095 2003); 11. Kokchetav Massif (Hermann et al., 2001; Korsakov and Hermann, 2006); 12.

1096 Garnet xenocrysts, Garnet Ridge, Arizona (Wang et al. 1999).

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1099 Table 1. Mineral and rock compositions for samples 123220, 159966 and 540521b. The

1100 standard deviation (S.D.) shown for the LA-ICPMS analyses is the approximate average

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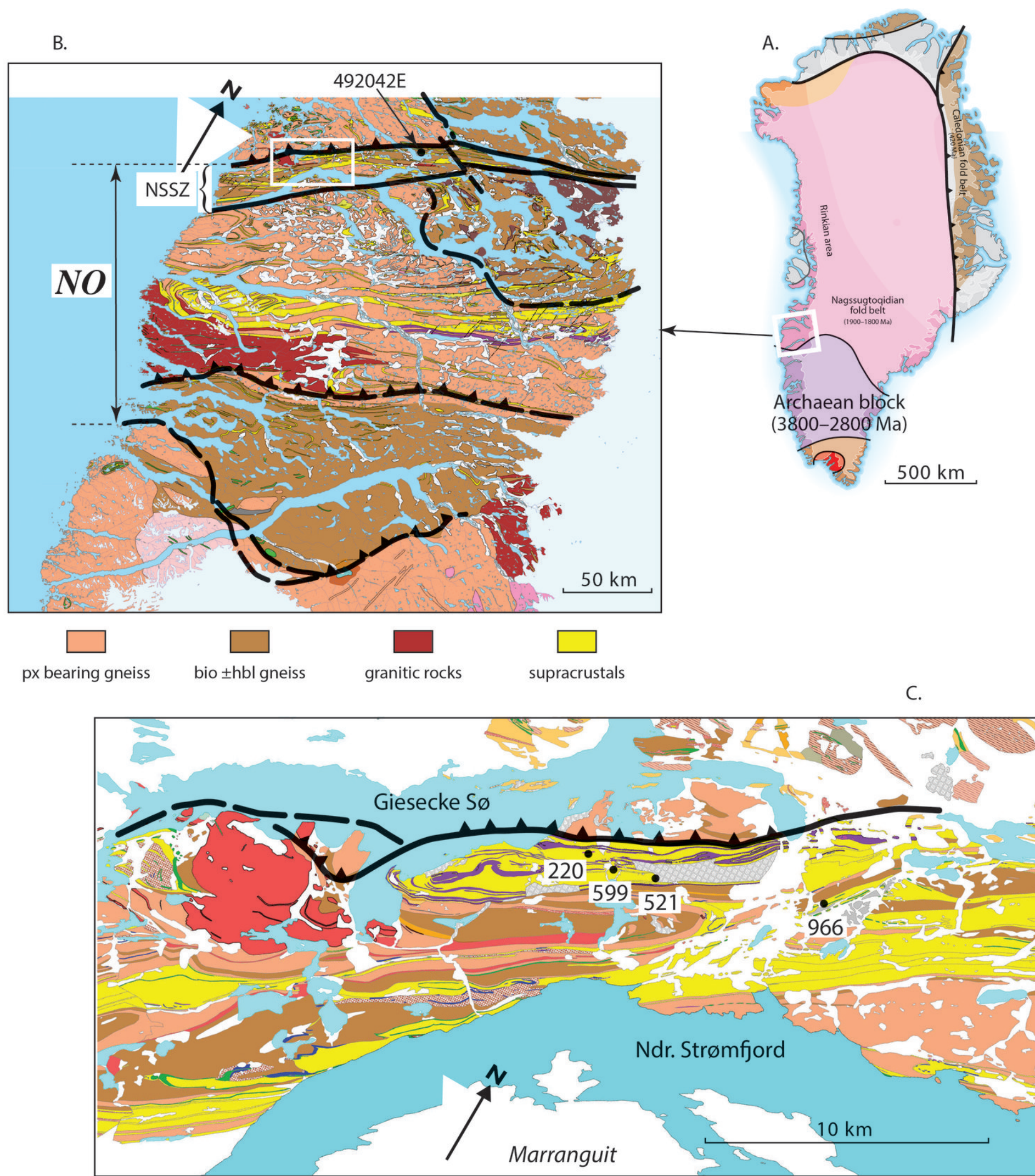
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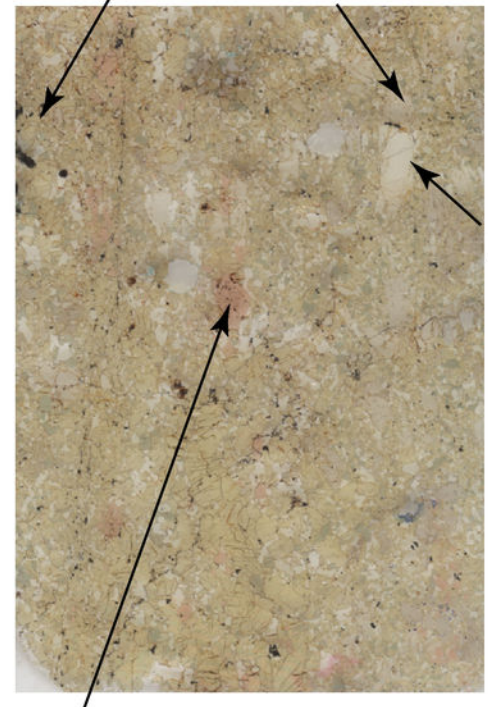


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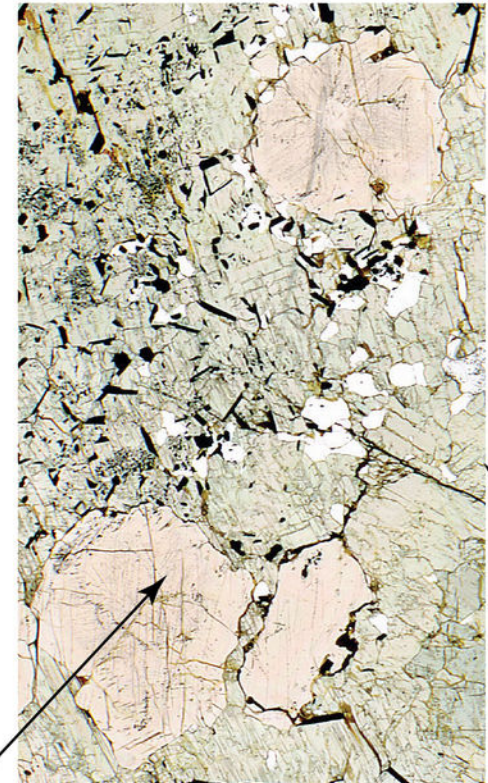
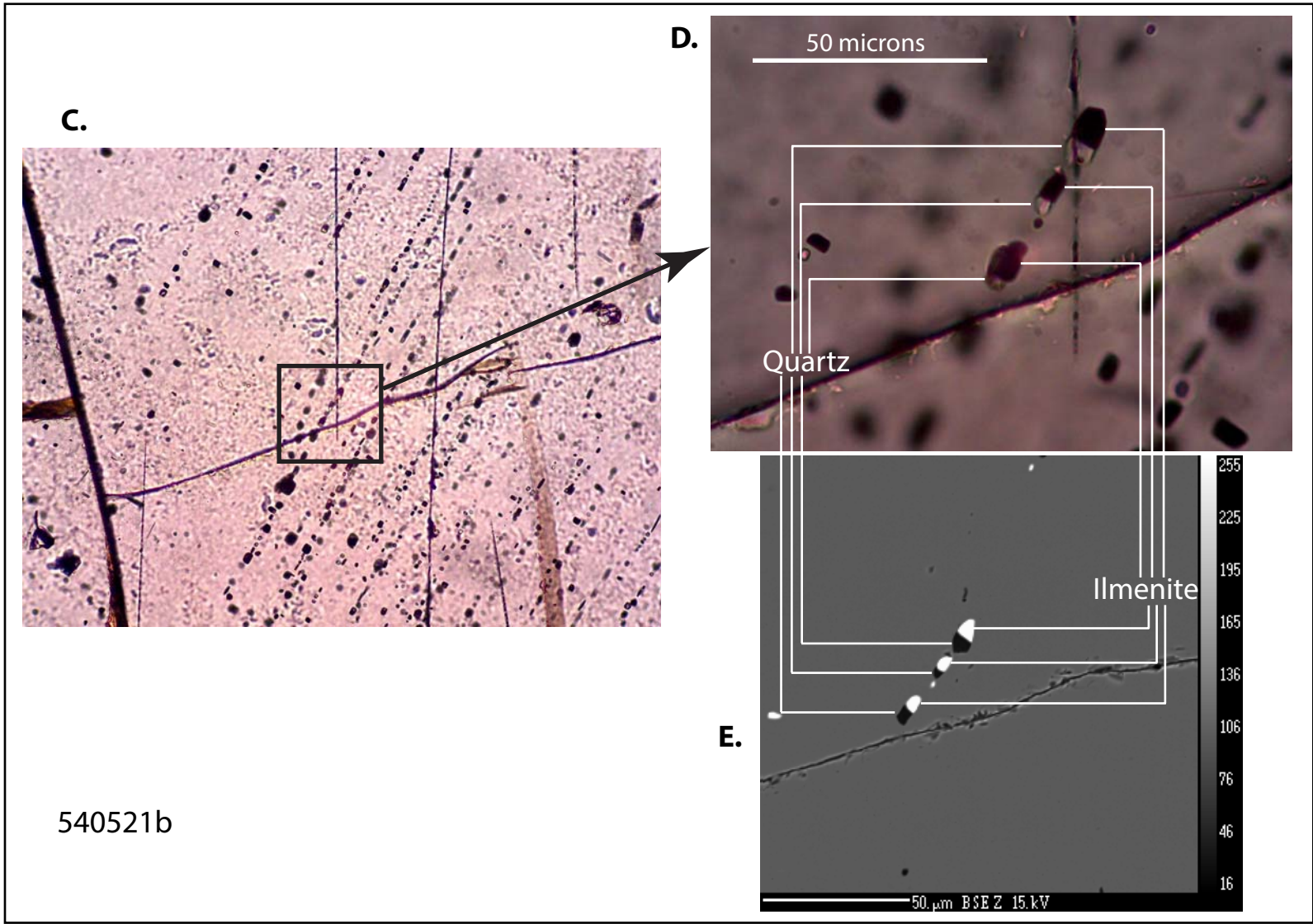
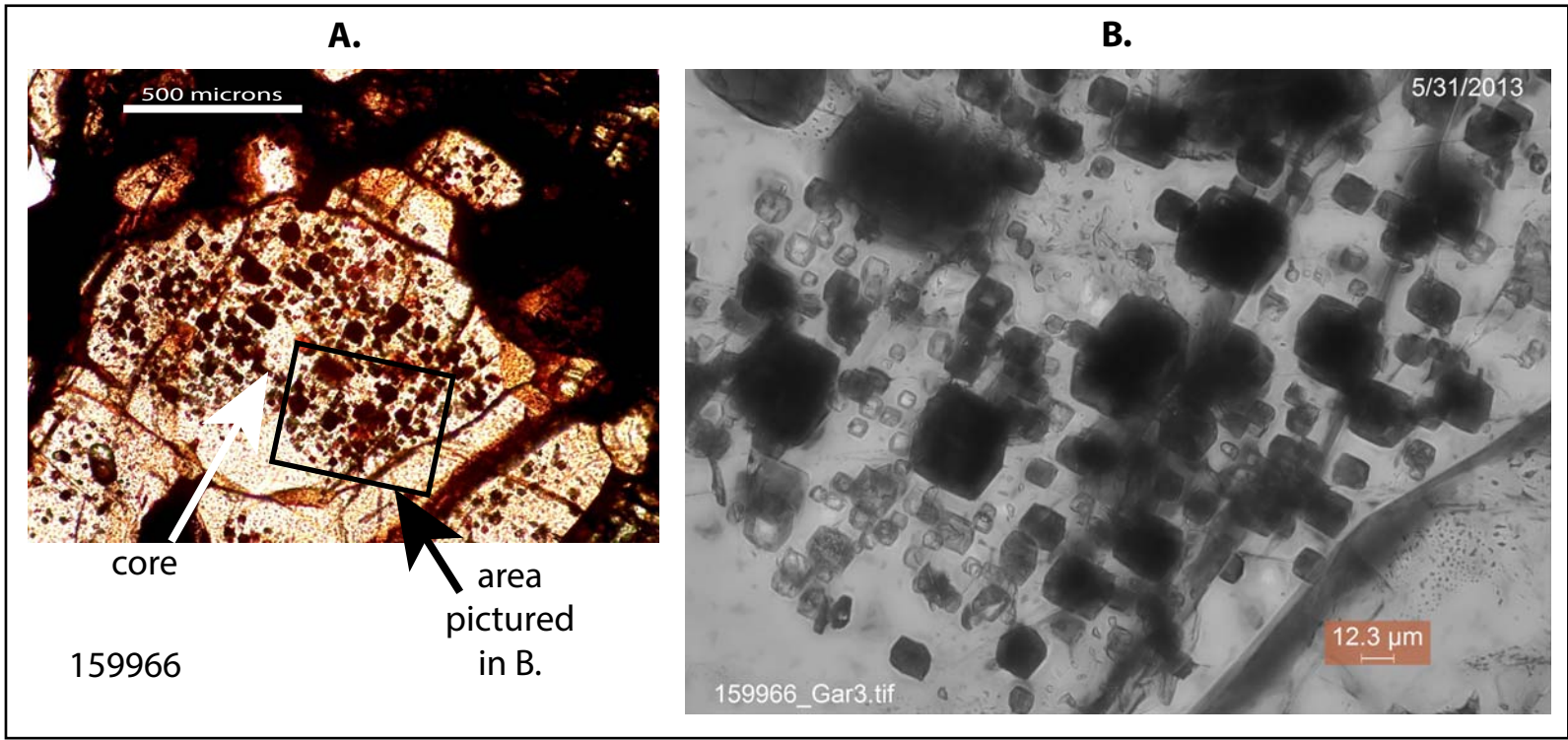
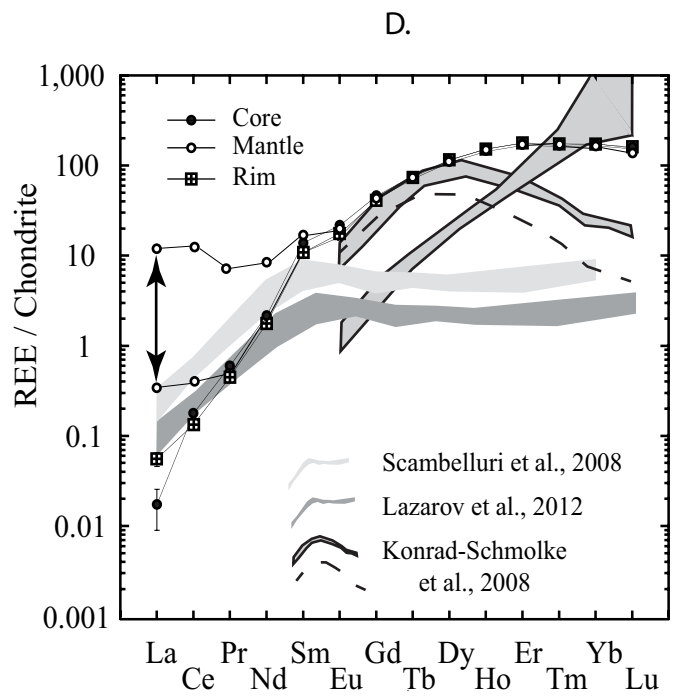
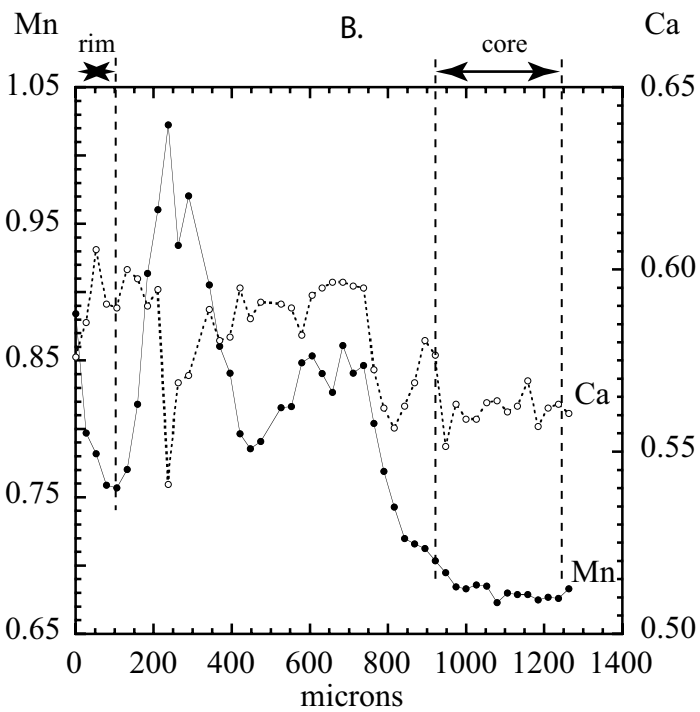
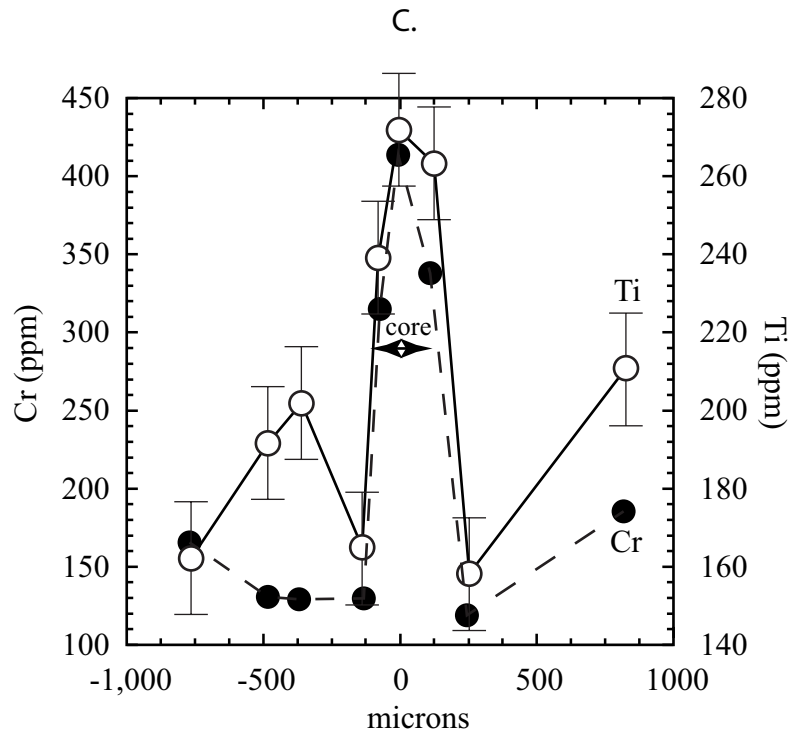
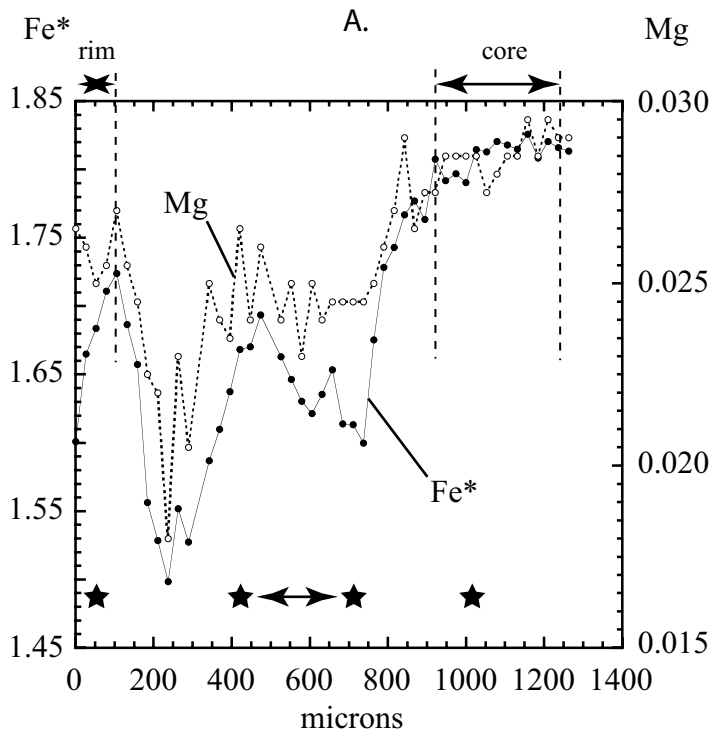


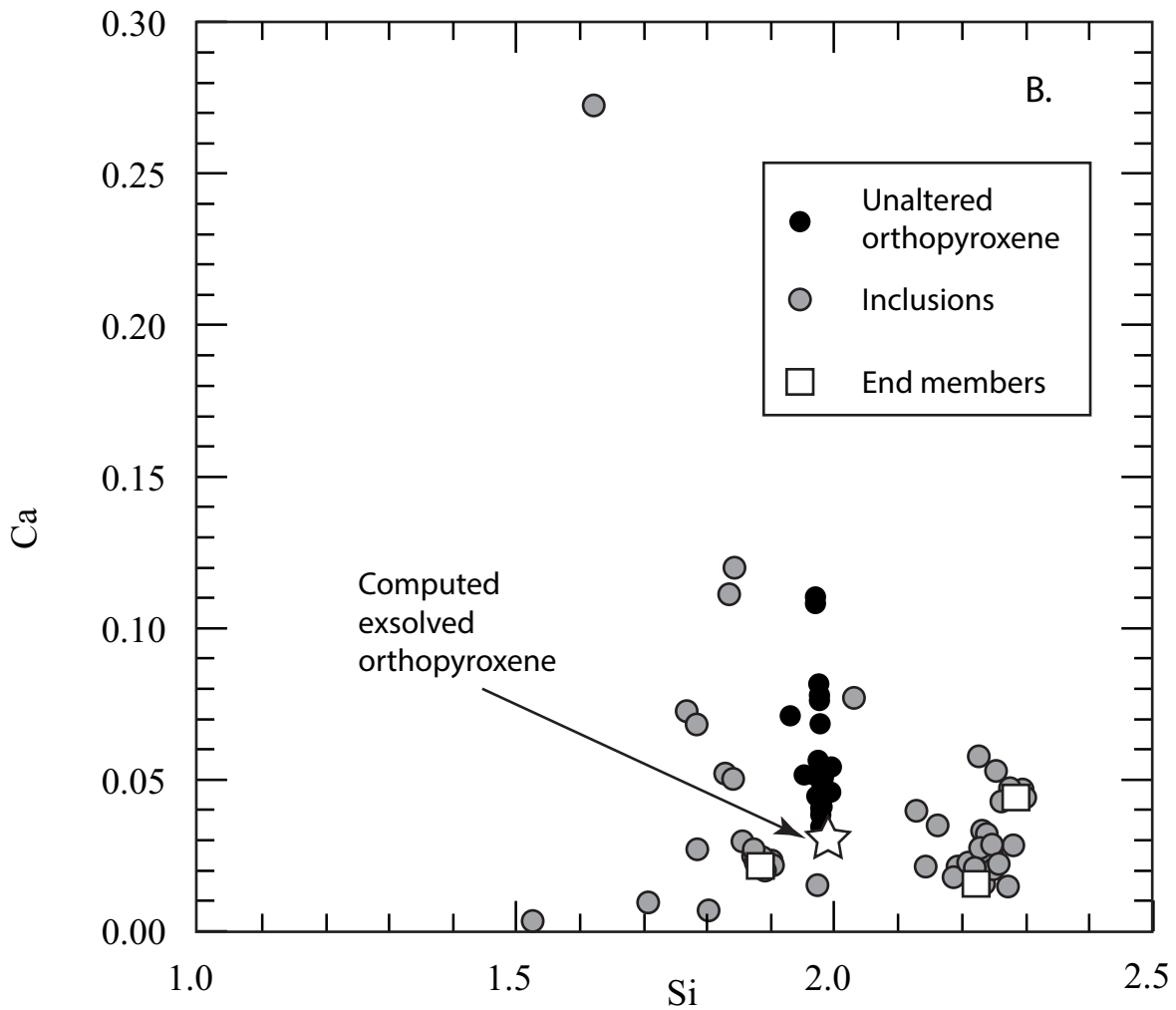
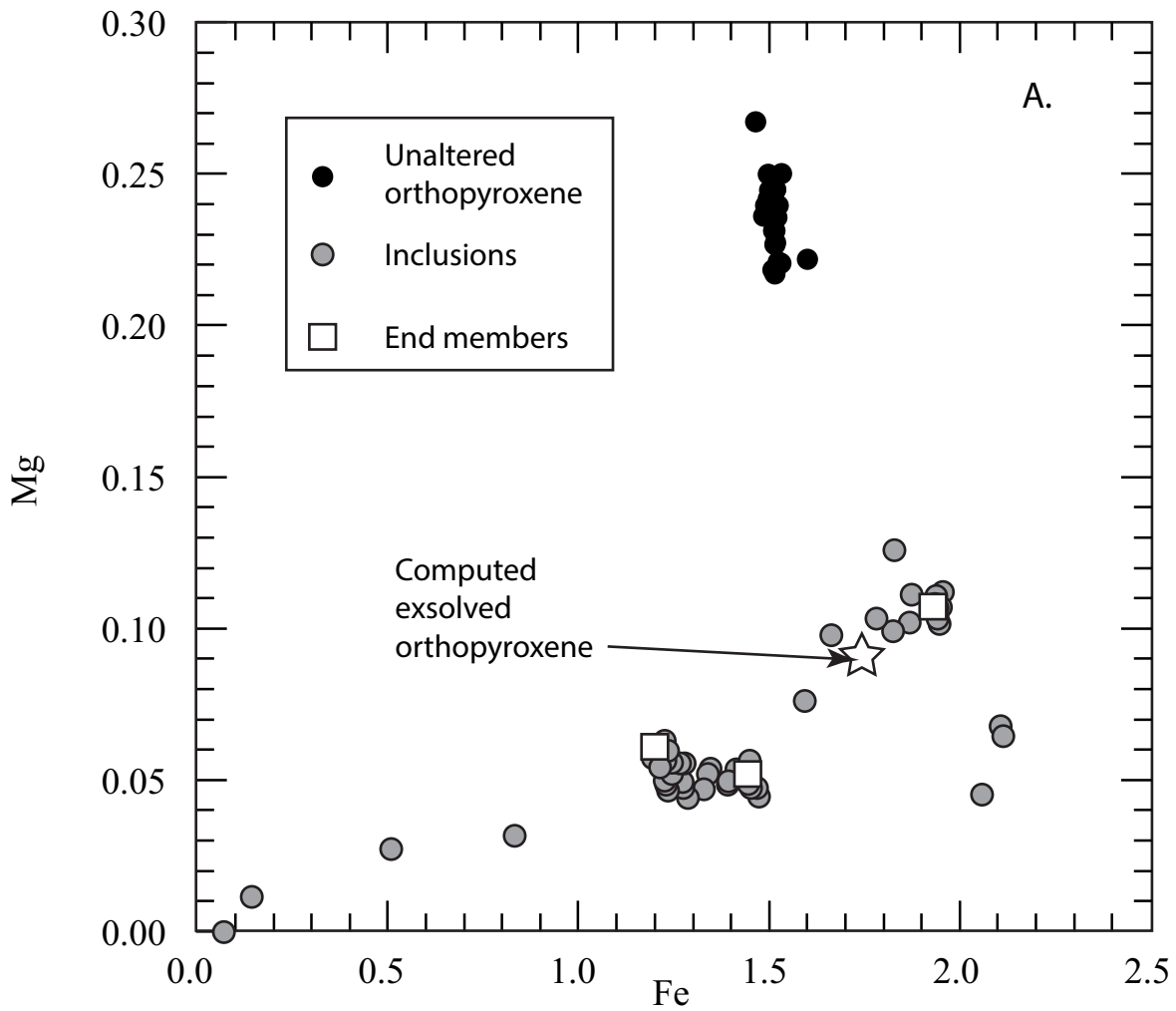
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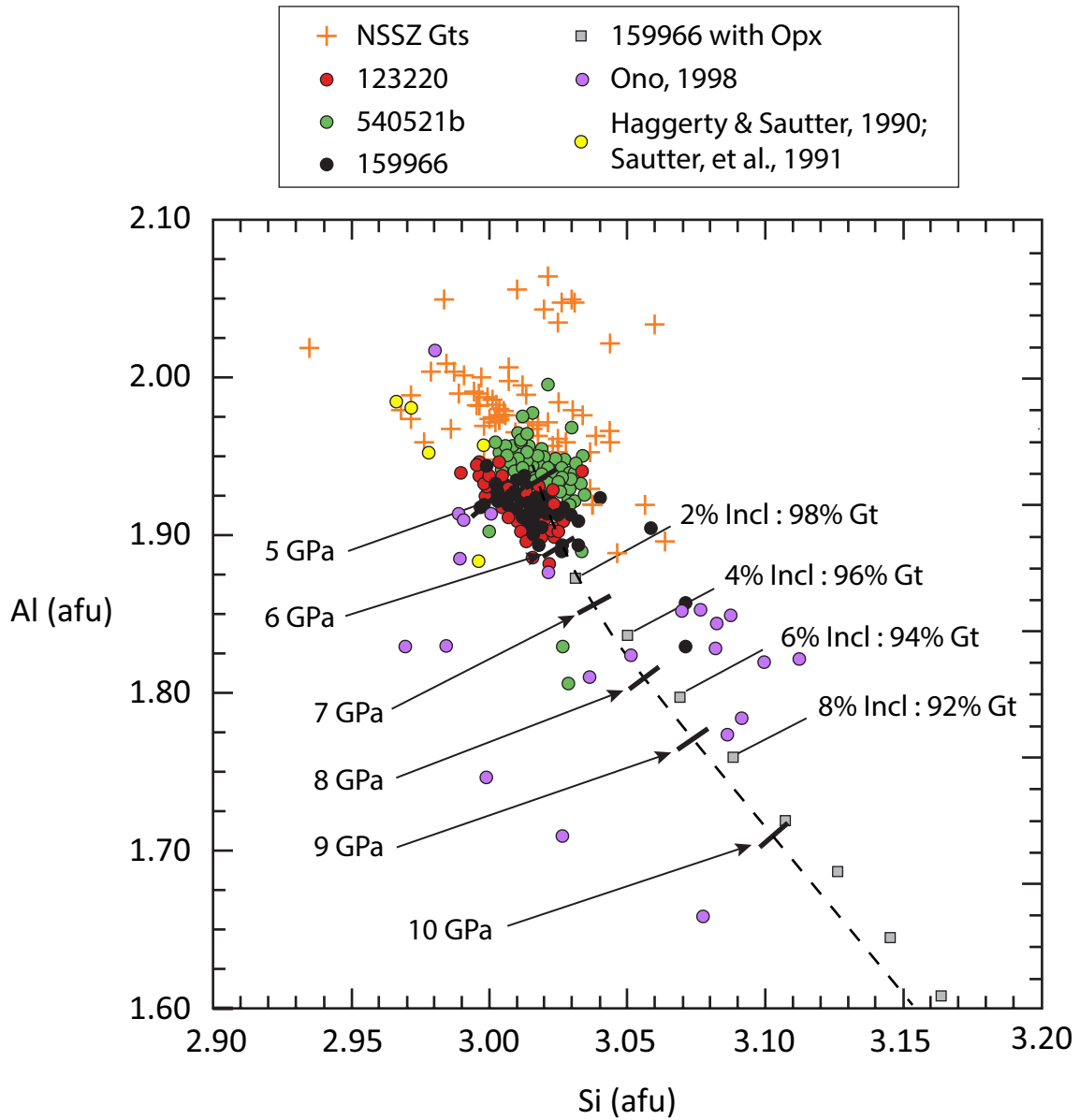
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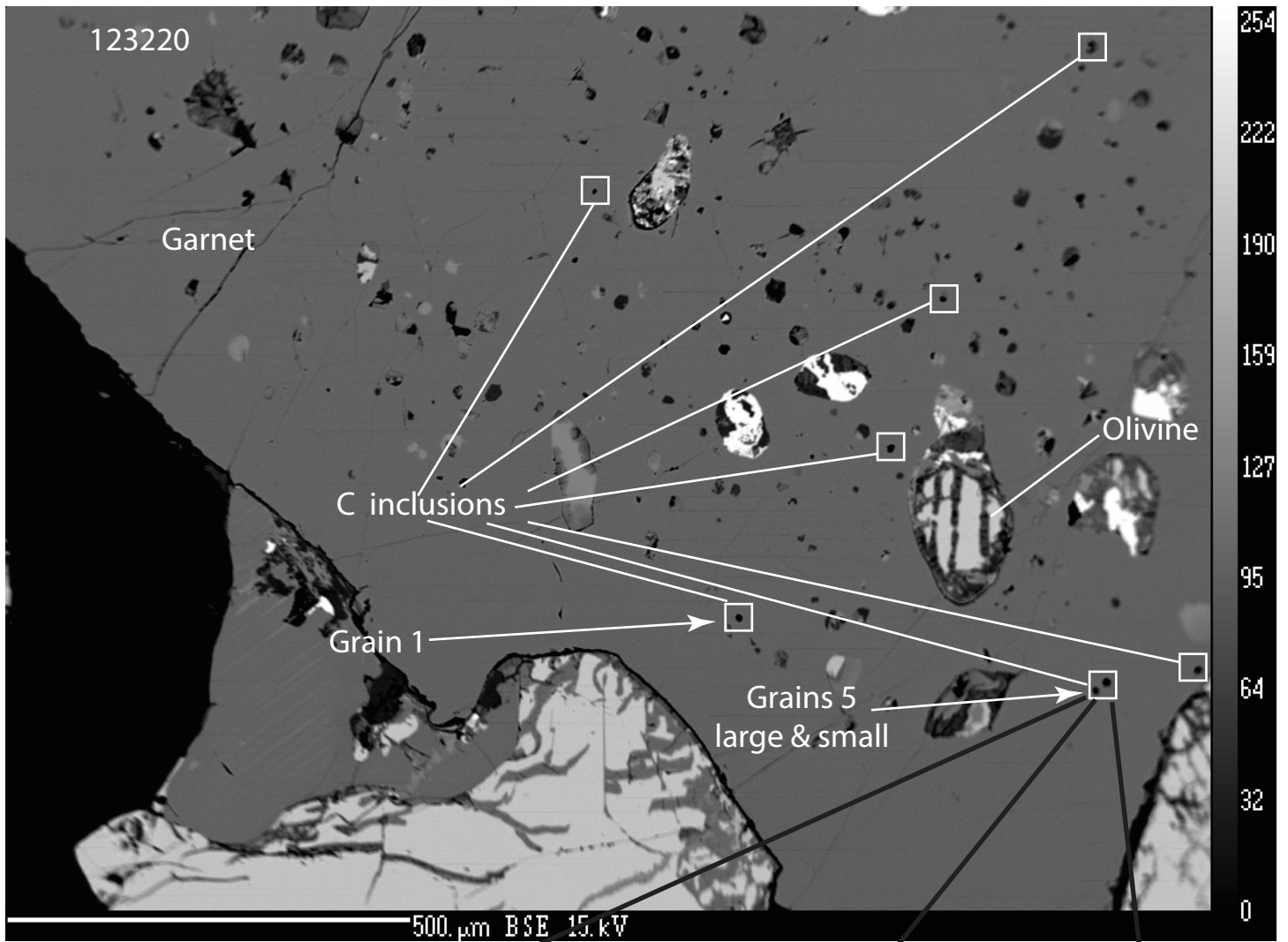
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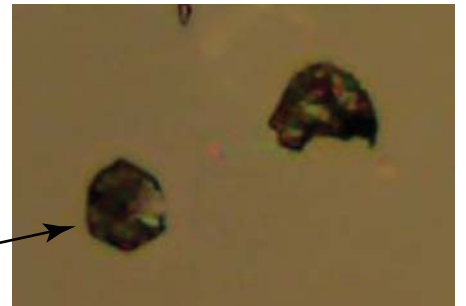
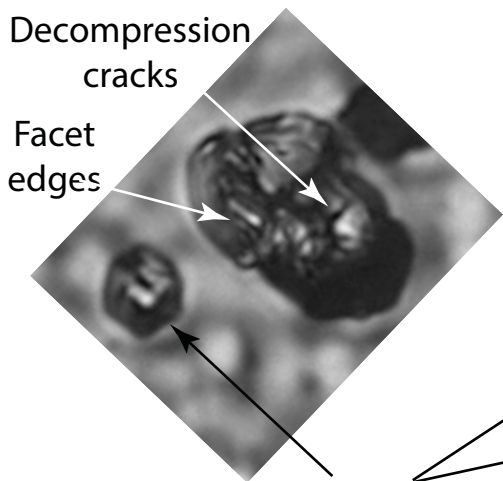




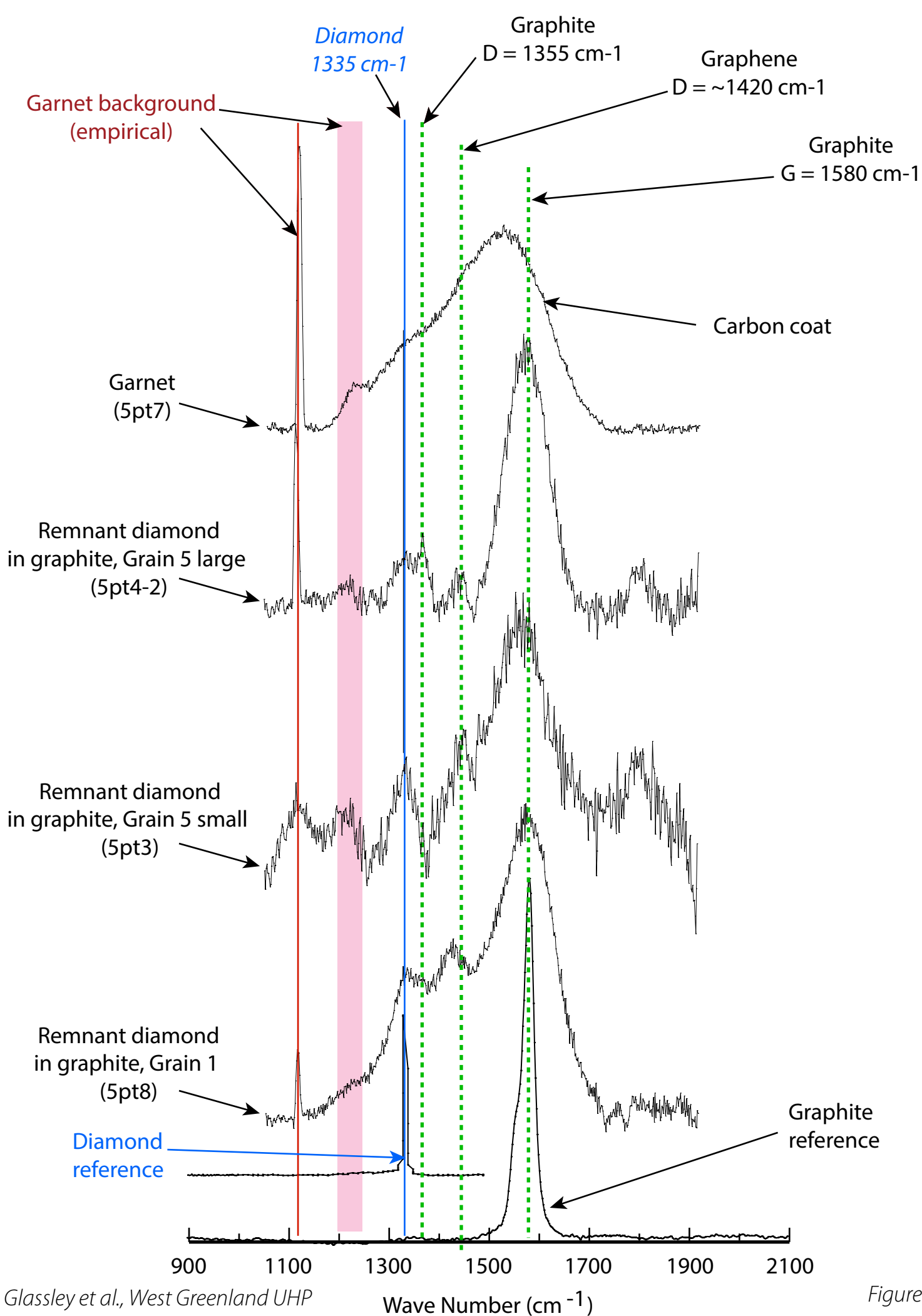
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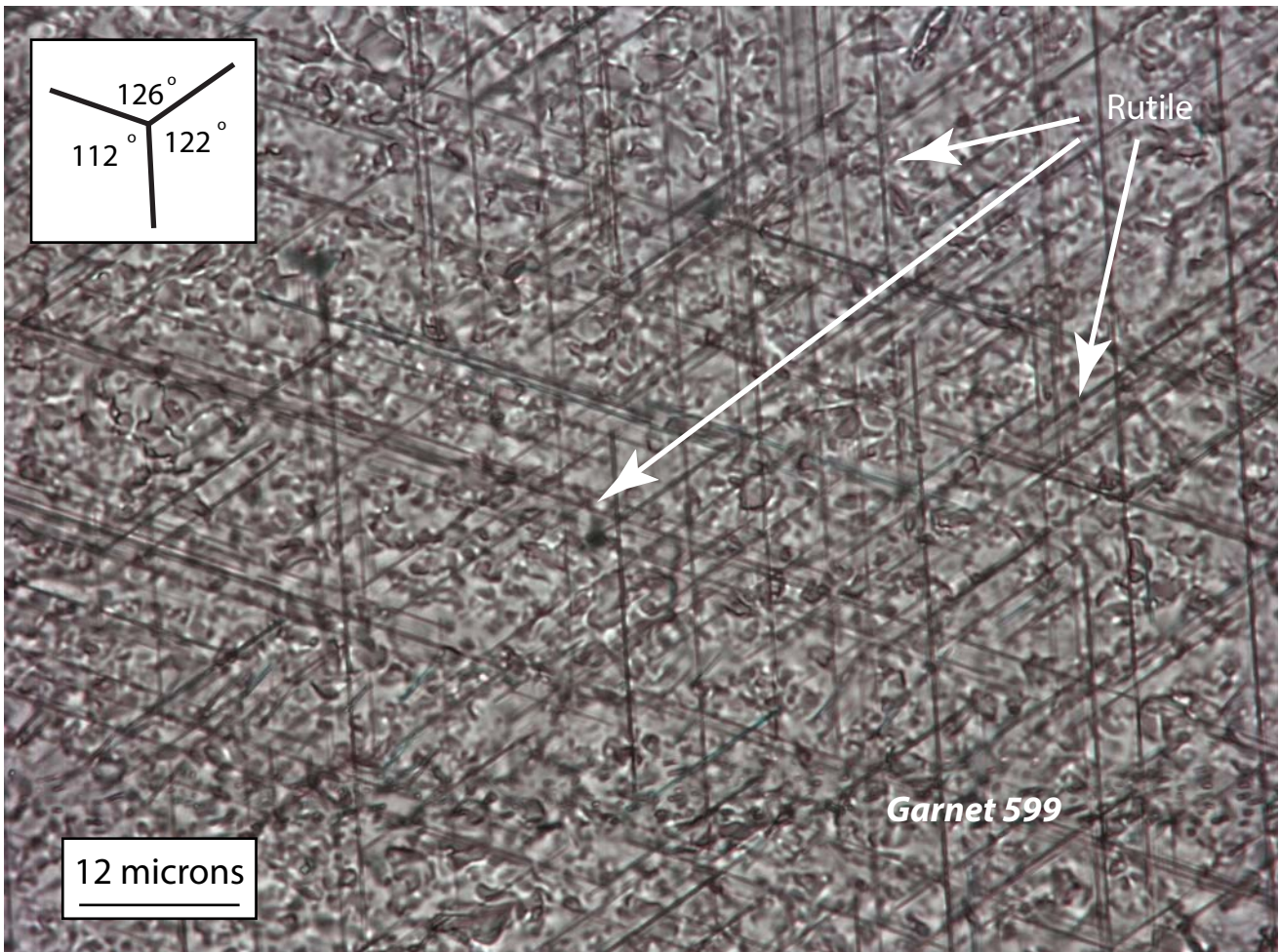
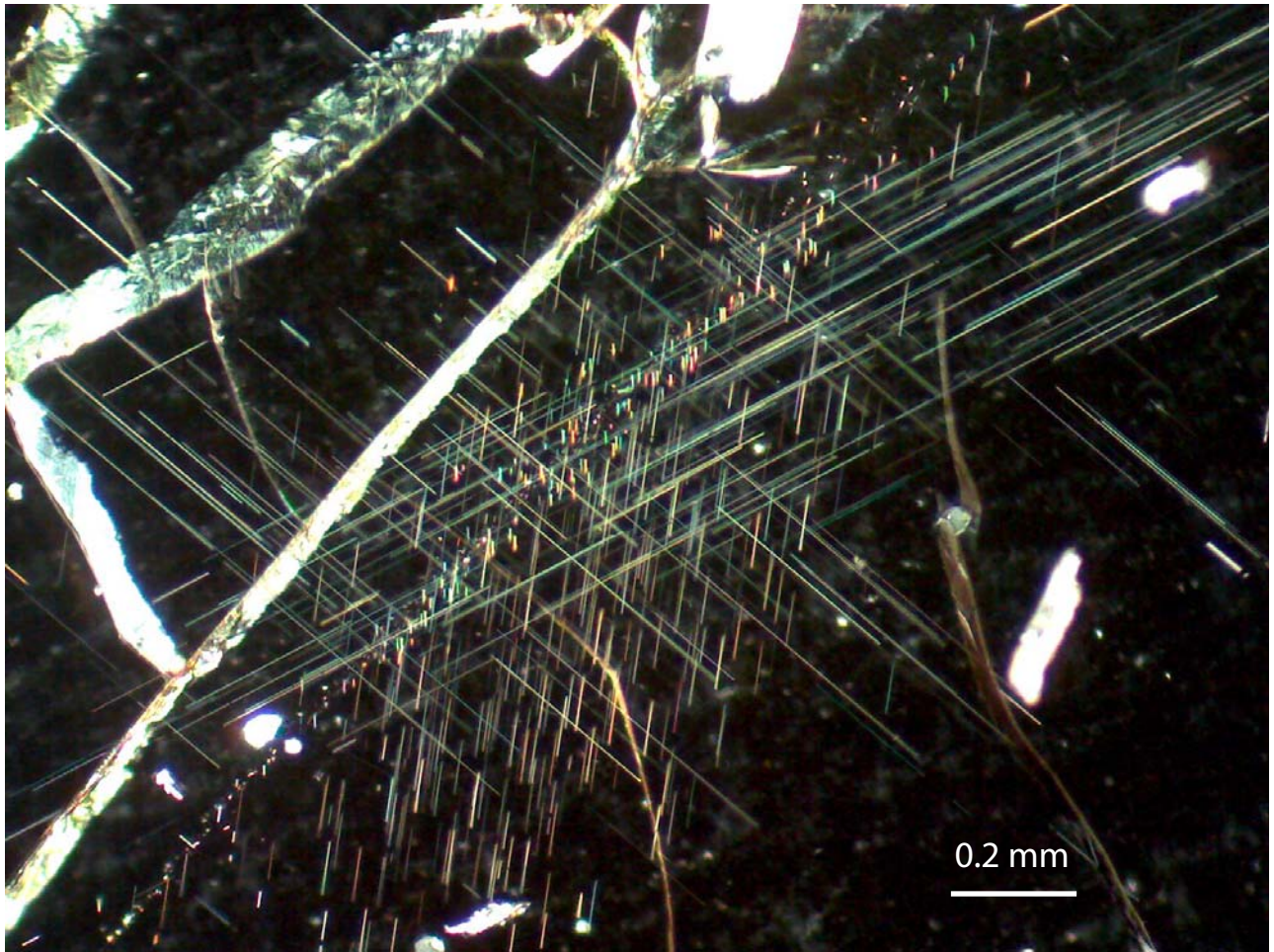
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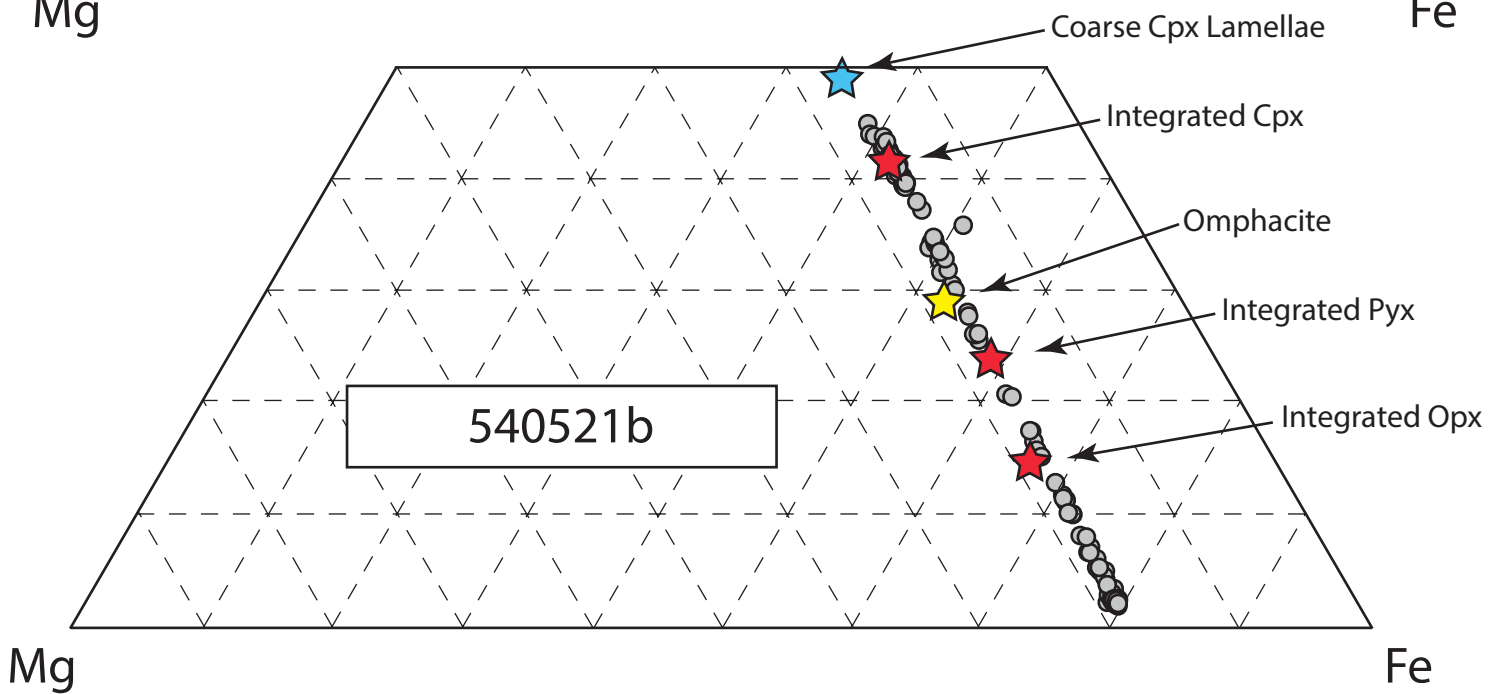
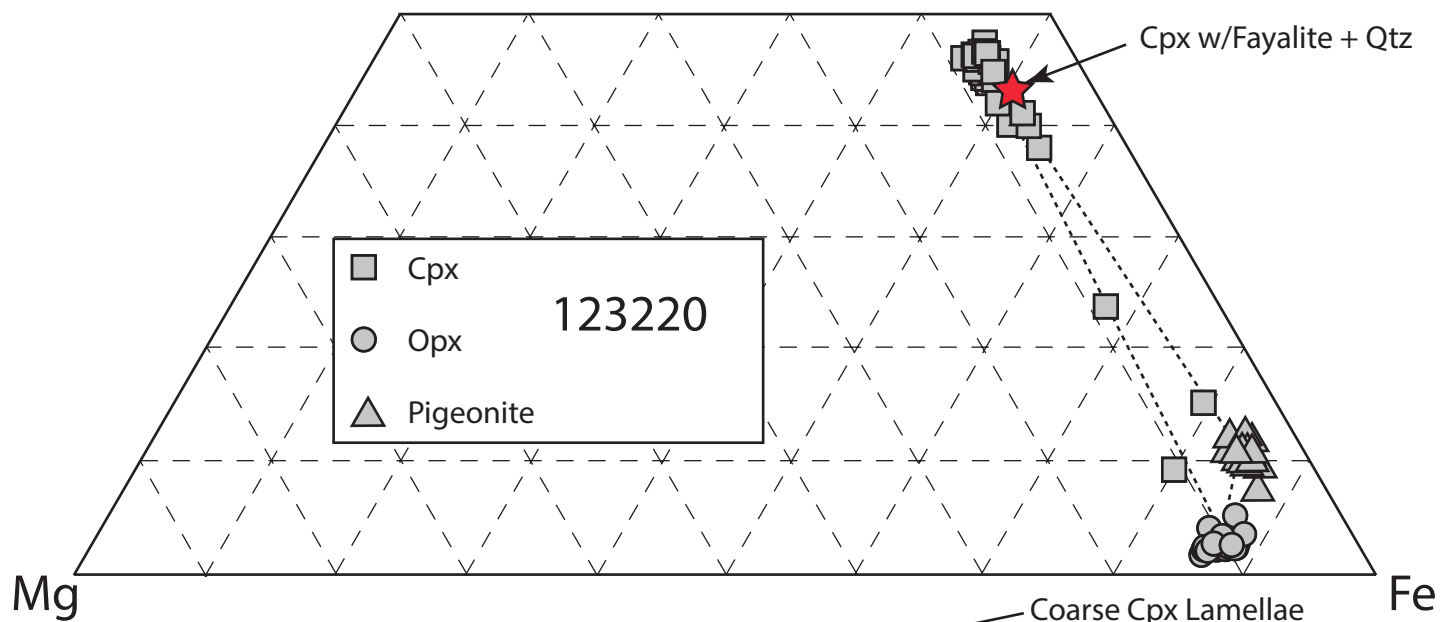
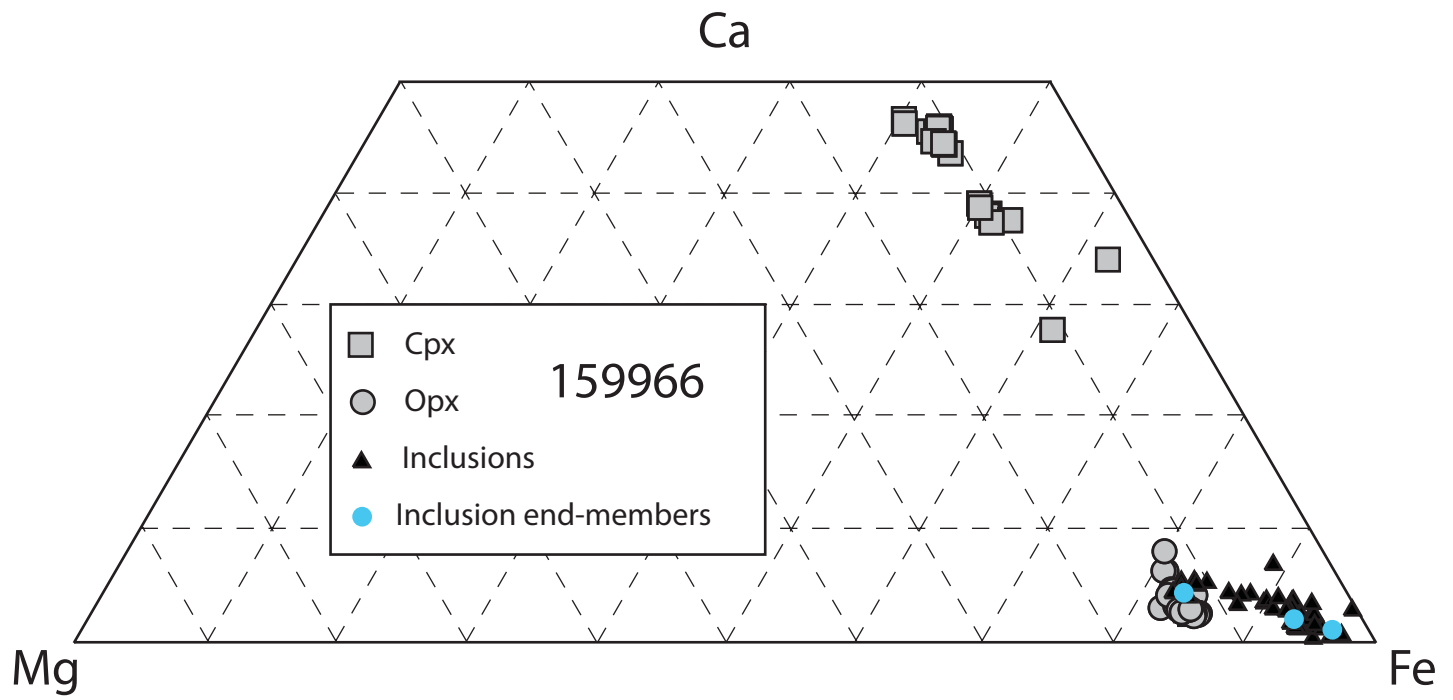
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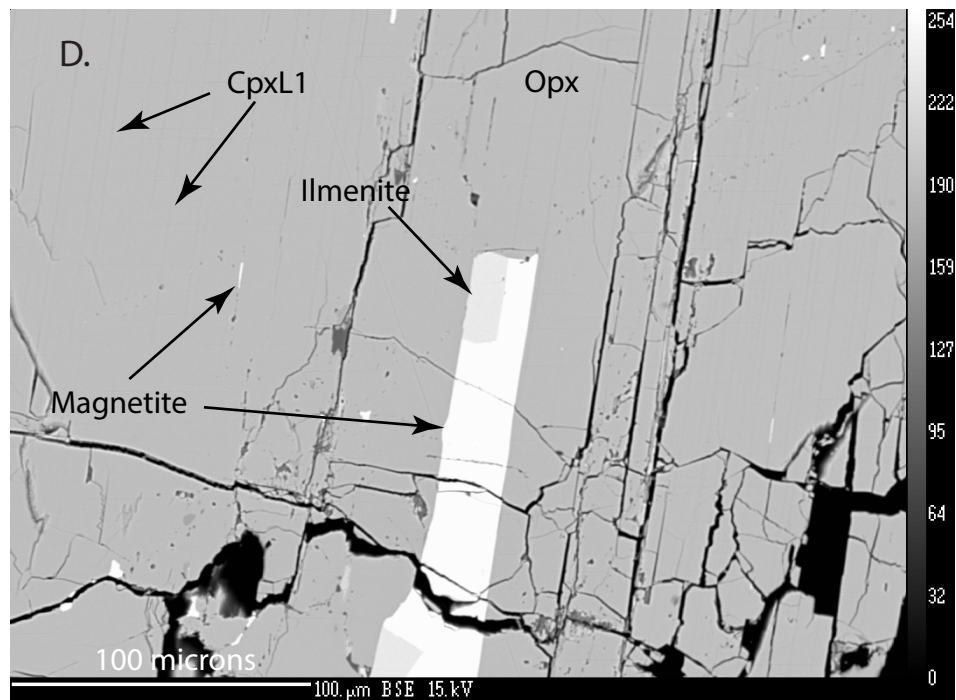
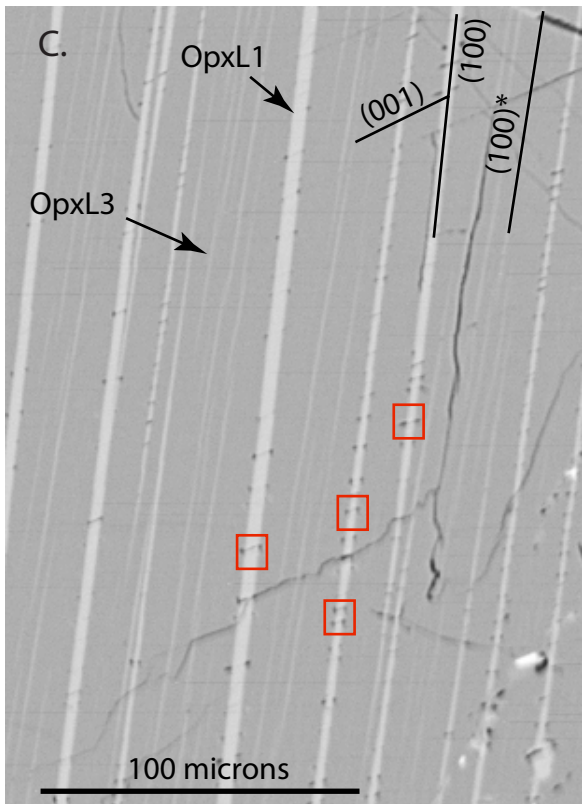
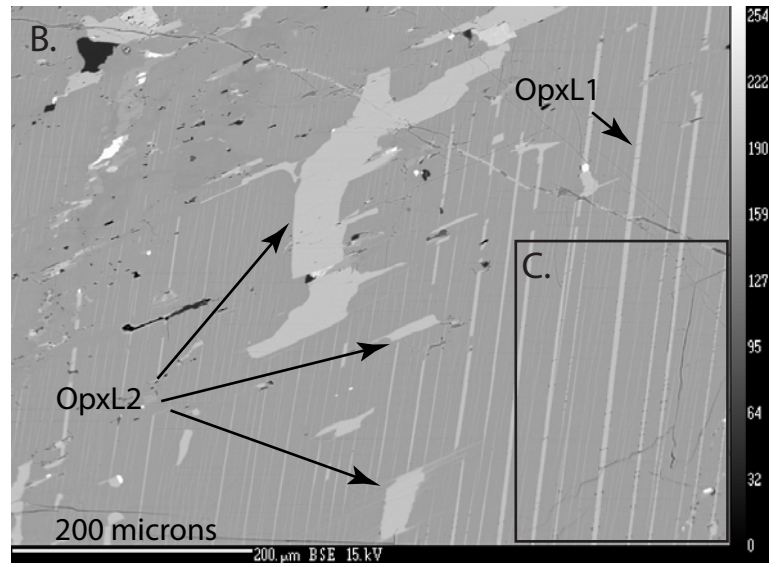
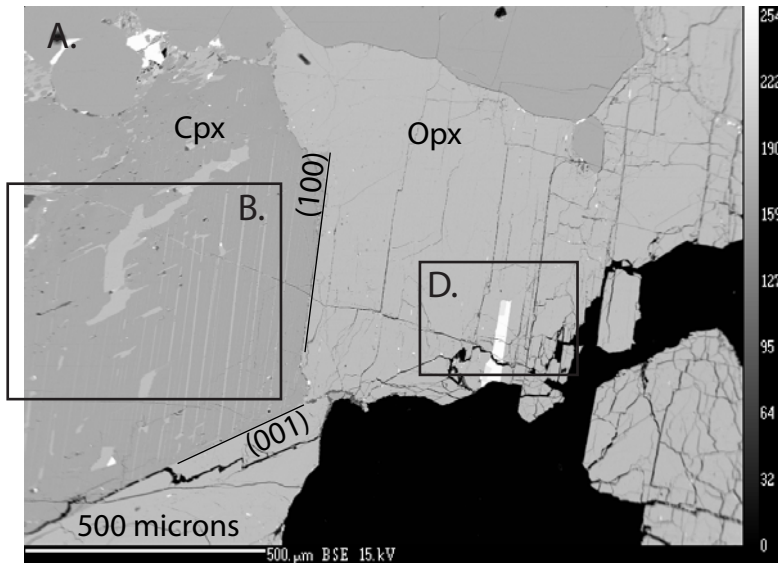


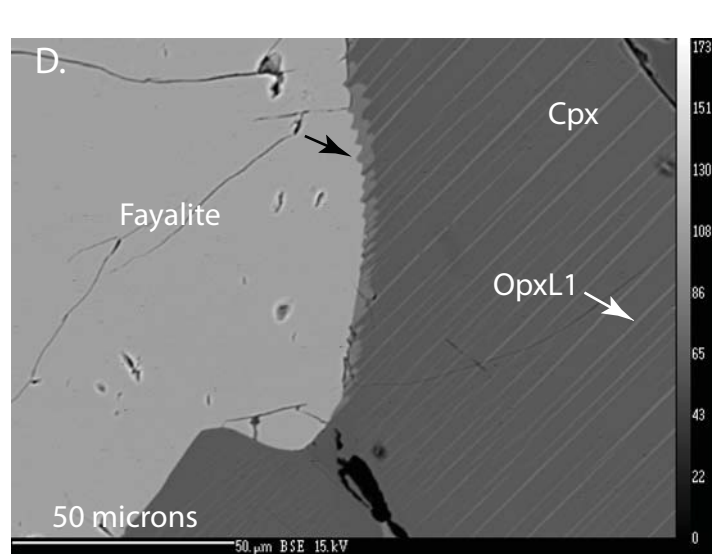
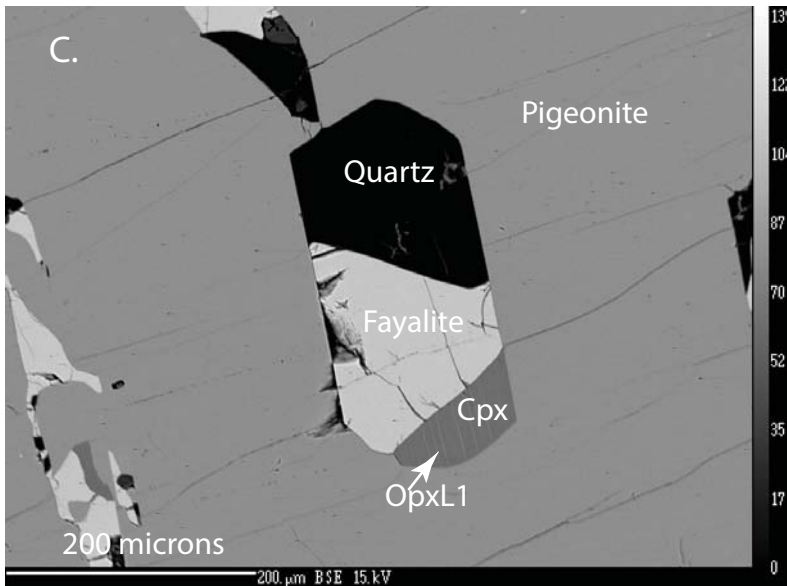
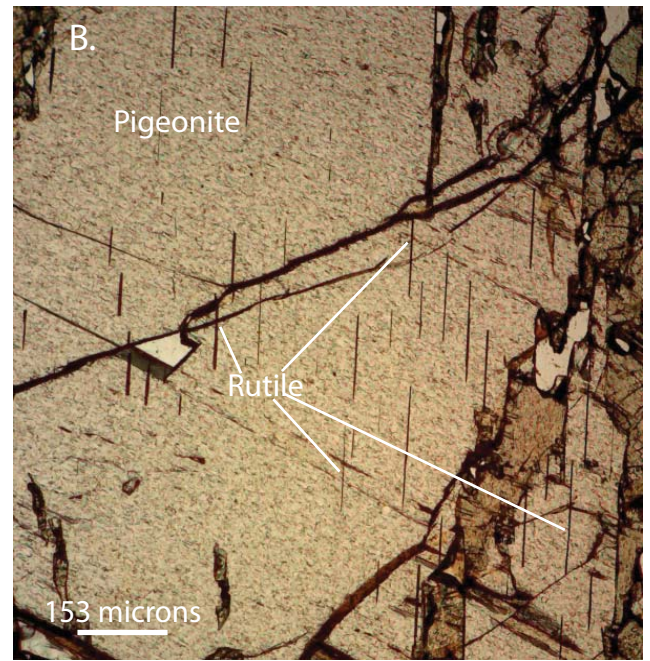
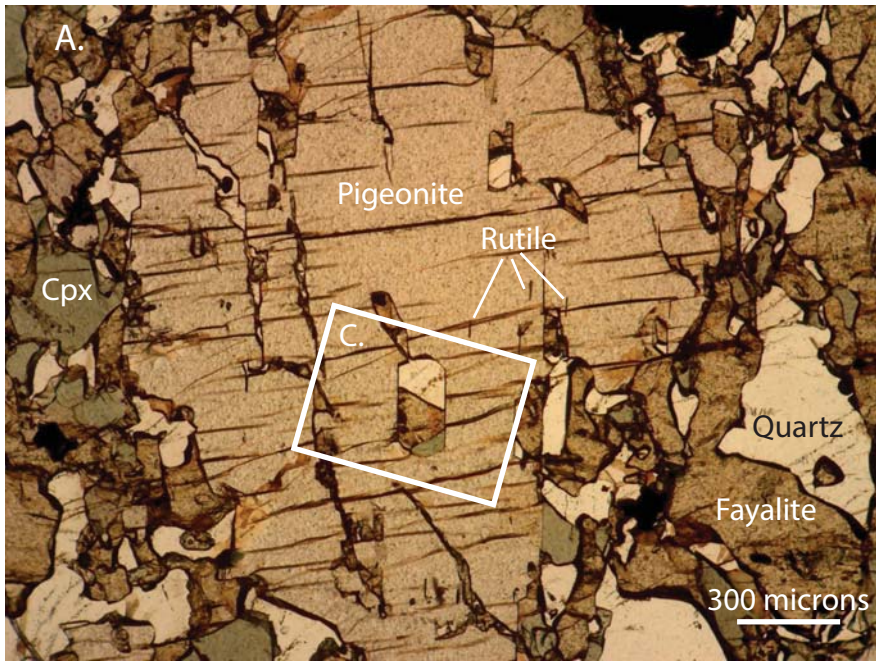
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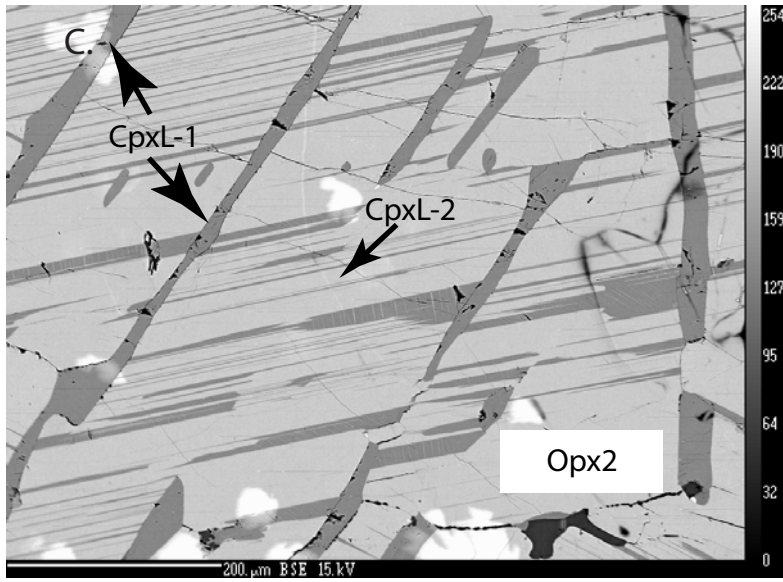
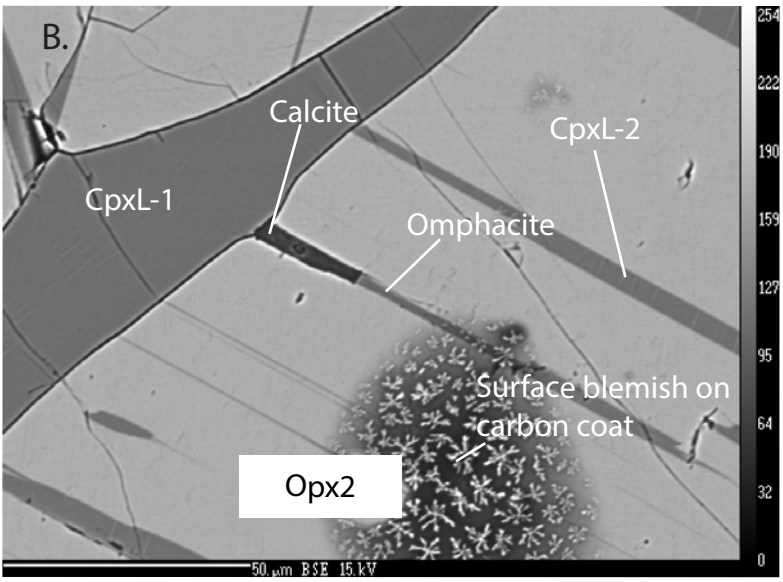
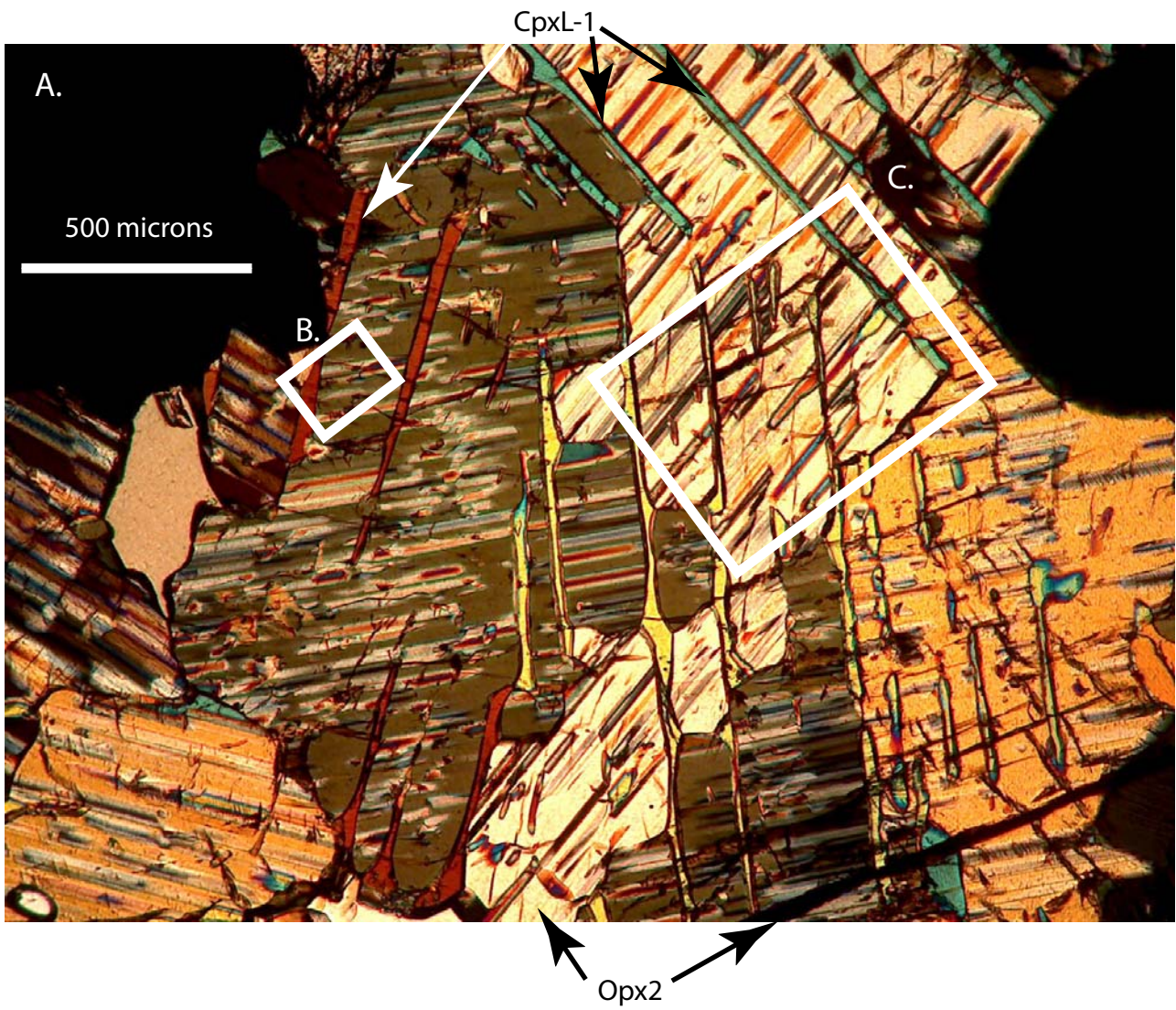


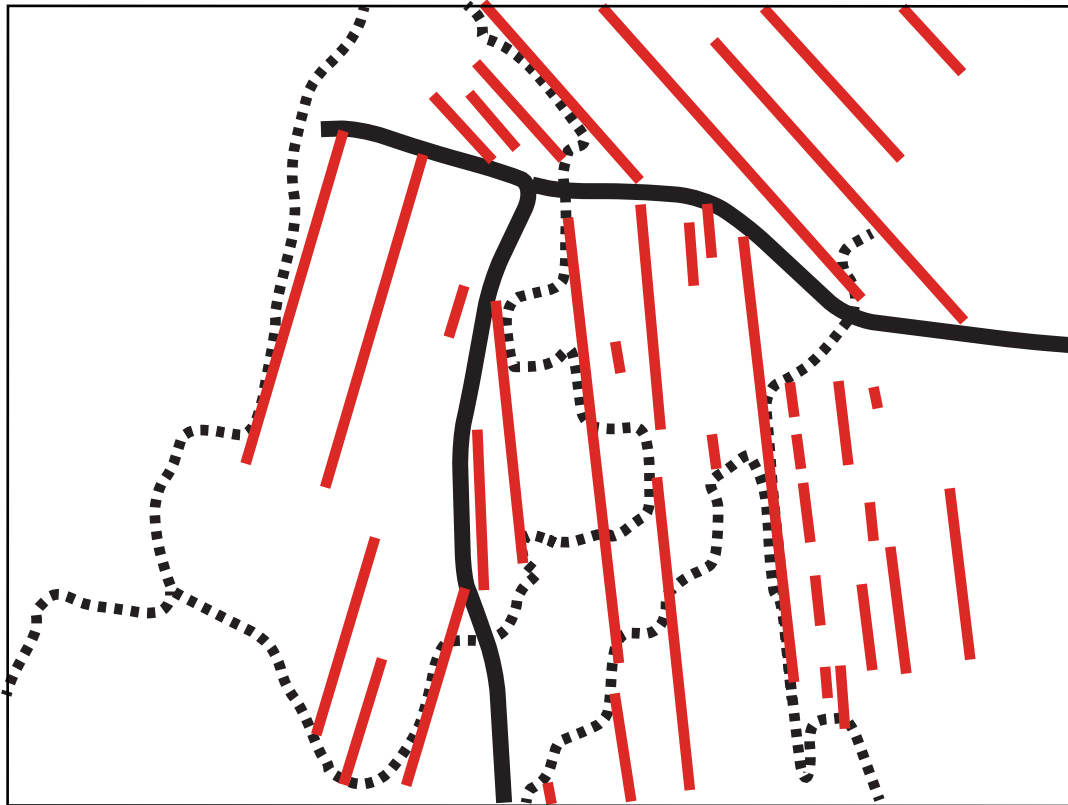




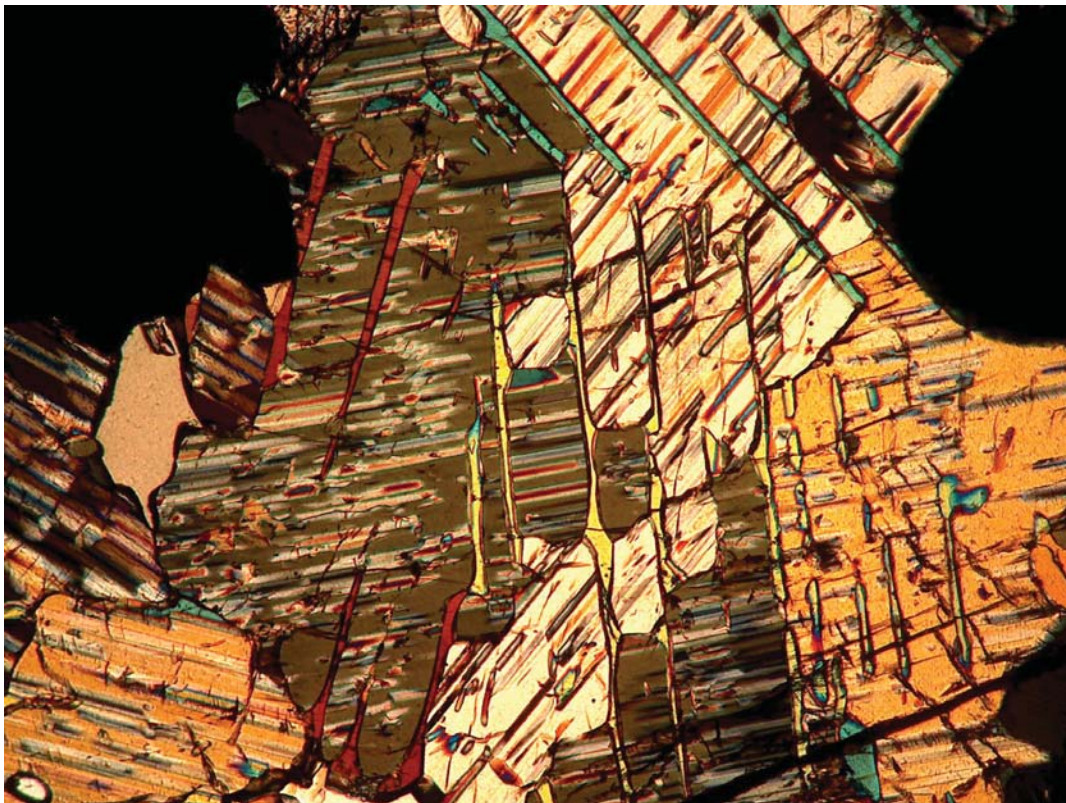


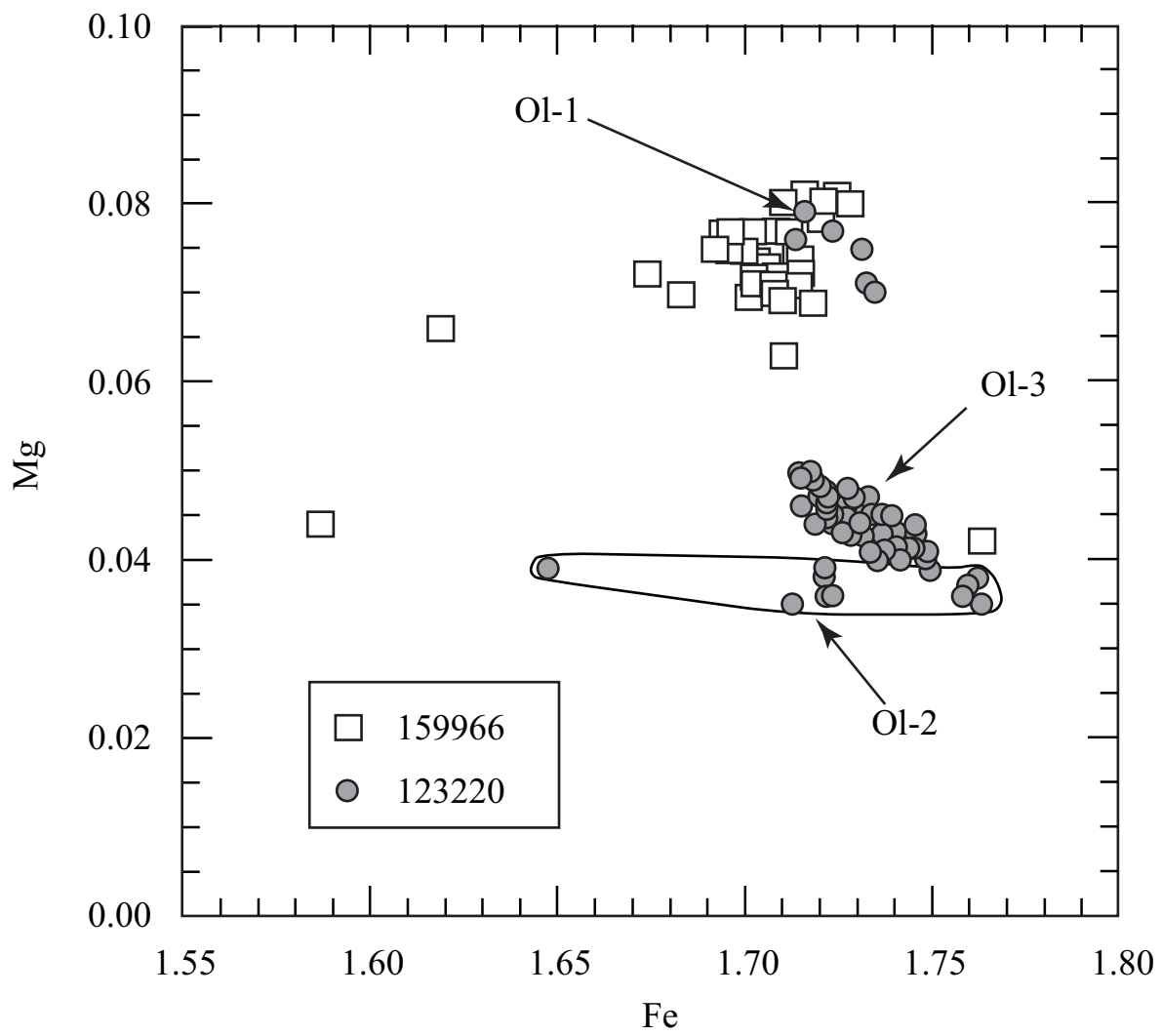


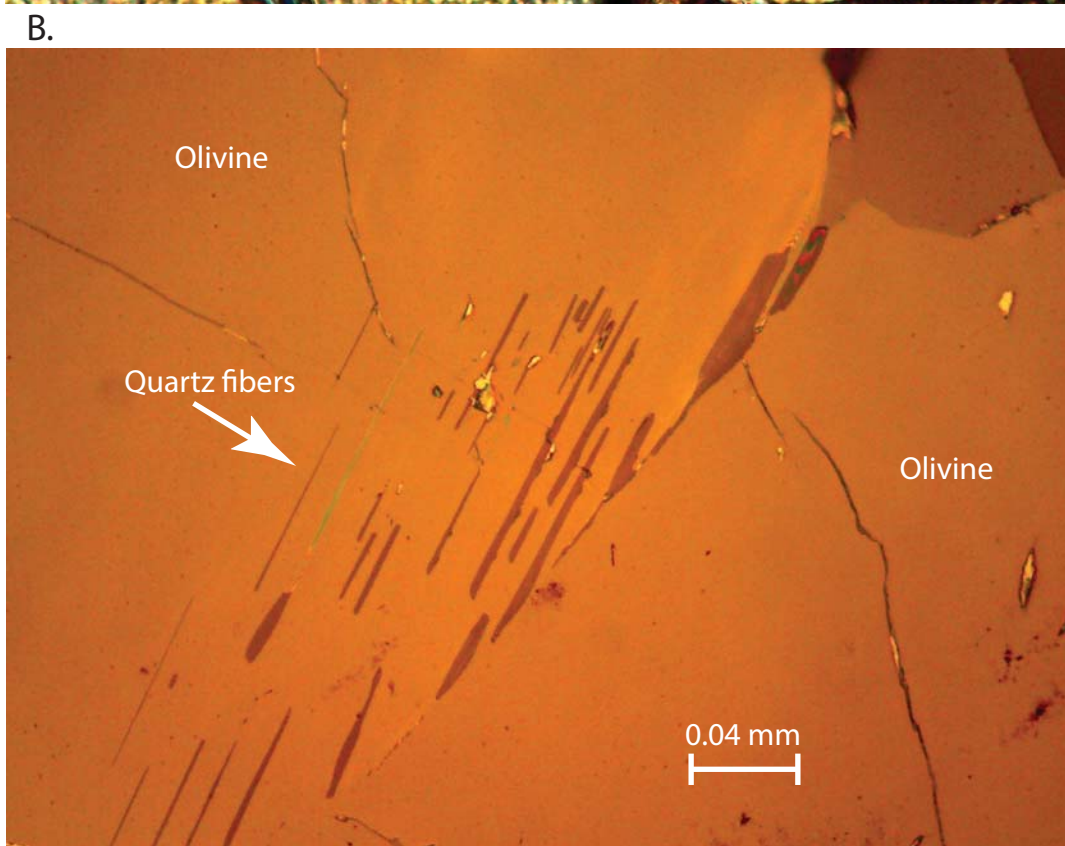
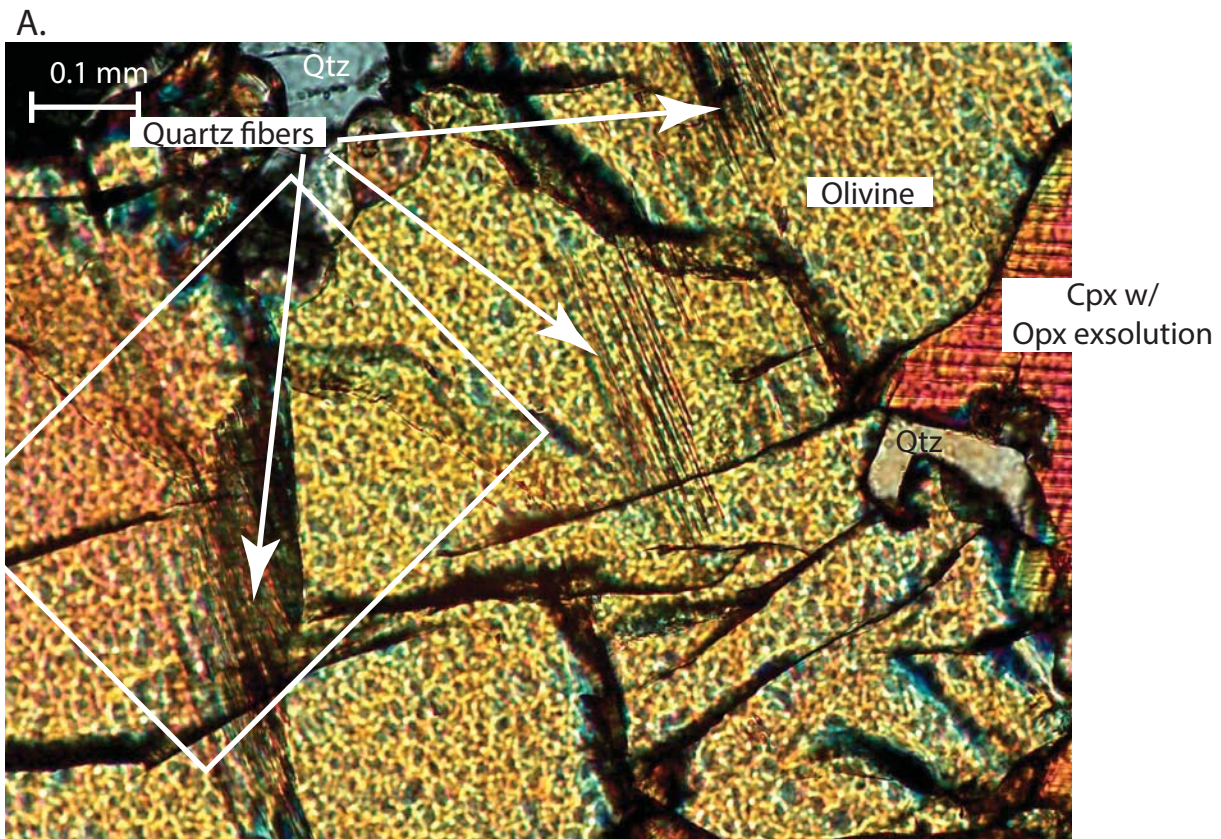


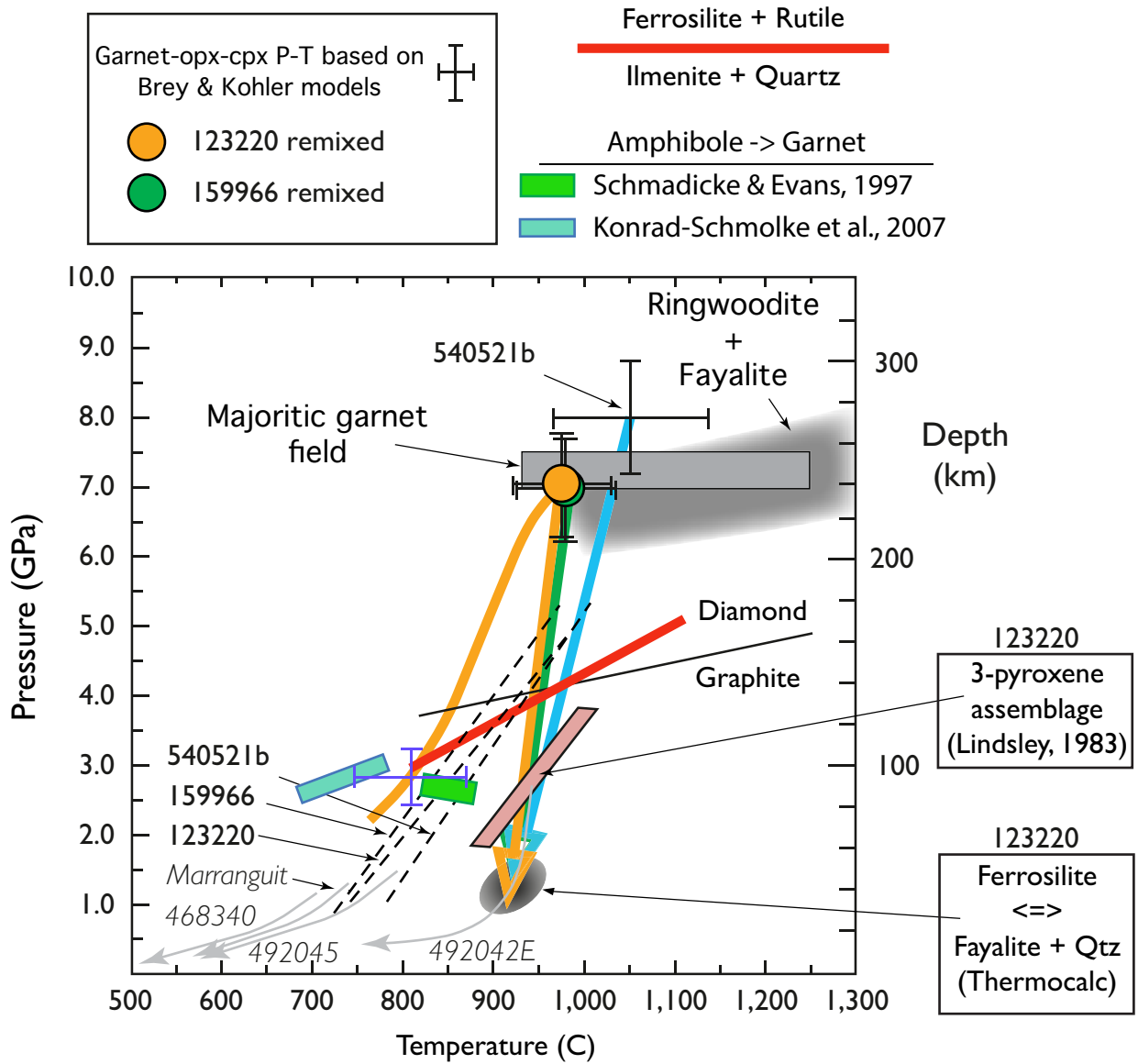


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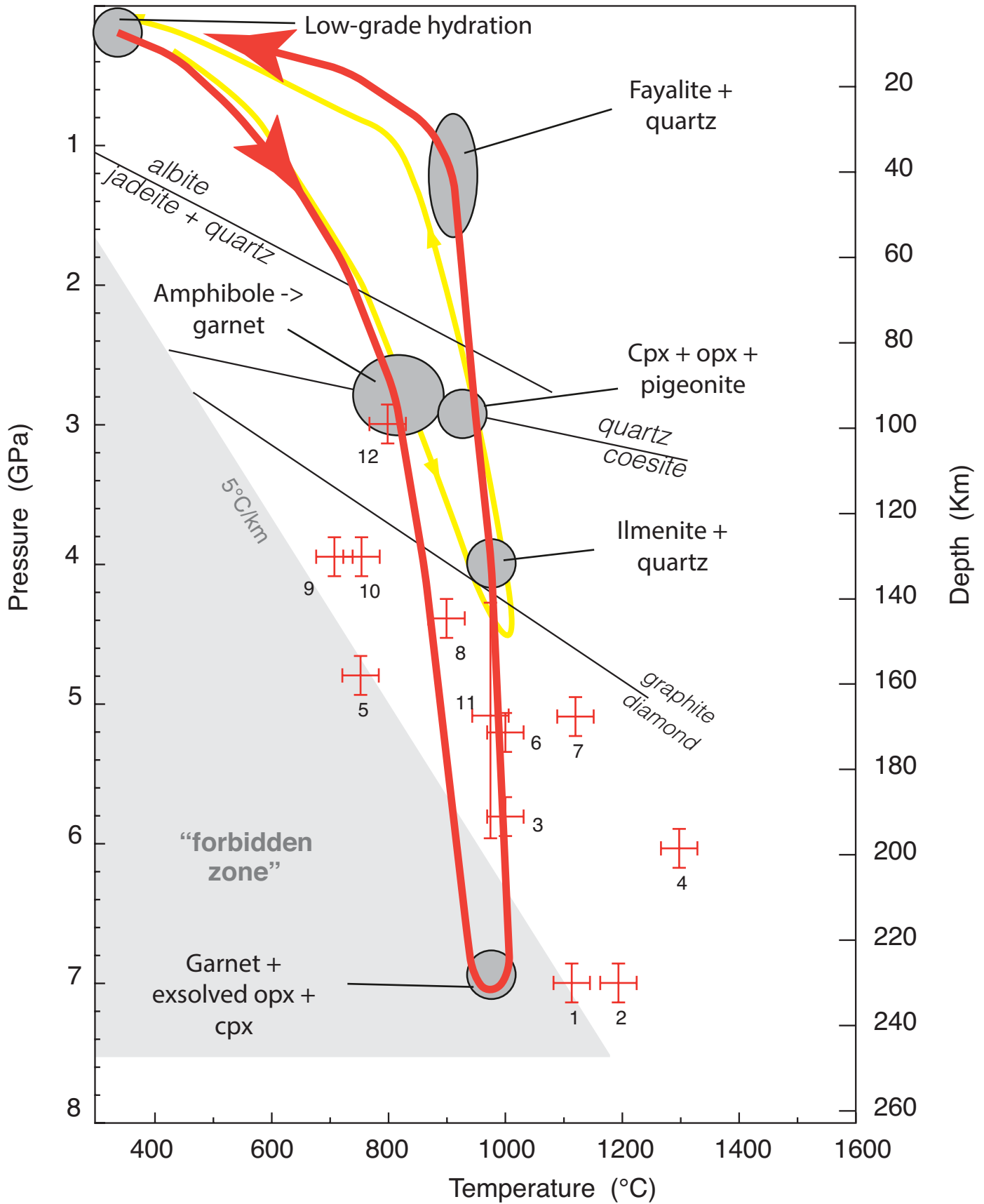






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| SiO2 | 37.17 | 37.20 | 37.27 | 37.14 | 39.05 | 37.23 | 36.99 |
| TiO2 | 0.04 | 0.03 | 0.02 | | | 0.05 | 0.05 |
| Al2O3 | 19.91 | 20.22 | 20.12 | 18.73 | 0.30 | 19.77 | 19.61 |
| FeO | 27.06 | 26.82 | 24.74 | 28.05 | 56.04 | 25.24 | 24.97 |
| MgO | 0.23 | 0.24 | 0.21 | 0.26 | 0.59 | 0.56 | 0.55 |
| MnO | 9.63 | 9.98 | 11.72 | 9.75 | 3.87 | 11.42 | 11.36 |
| CaO | 6.57 | 6.47 | 6.60 | 6.08 | 0.15 | 6.09 | 6.15 |
| Na2O | | | | | | | |
| K2O | | | | | | | |
| Cr2O3 | 0.078 | 0.036 | 0.02 | | | 0.033 | 0.018 |
| Cl | | | | | | | |
| Total | 100.69 | 100.994 | 100.704 | 100.01 | 100 | 100.389 | 99.7 |
| Si | 3.02 | 3.01 | 3.02 | 3.04 | 3.53 | 3.03 | 3.03 |
| Ti | 0.003 | 0.002 | 0.001 | | | 0.003 | 0.003 |
| Al | 1.9 | 1.93 | 1.92 | 1.8 | 0.04 | 1.89 | 1.89 |
| Fe2+ | 1.84 | 1.81 | 1.68 | 1.92 | 3.96 | 1.72 | 1.71 |
| Mg | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.09 | 0.07 | 0.07 |
| Mn | 0.66 | 0.68 | 0.8 | 0.68 | 0.36 | 0.79 | 0.79 |
| Ca | 0.57 | 0.56 | 0.57 | 0.53 | 0.02 | 0.53 | 0.54 |
| Na | | | | | | | |
| K | | | | | | | |
| Cr | 0.005 | 0.003 | 0.001 | | | 0.002 | 0.001 |
| O= | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 |

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|----|--------|--------|-------|-------|
| Cr | 414 | 128 | 185.3 | 5 |
| V | 383 | 385 | 389 | 10 |
| Zn | 6.93 | 6.99 | 6.78 | 0.6 |
| Y | 235 | 233 | 238.7 | 10 |
| Nb | 0.044 | 0.018 | 0.033 | 0.006 |
| Ba | 0.007 | 0.031 | 0 | 0.2 |
| La | 0.0041 | 0.085 | 0.013 | 0.008 |
| Ce | 0.109 | 0.239 | 0.082 | 0.01 |
| Pr | 0.057 | 0.0492 | 0.043 | 0.01 |
| Nd | 1.017 | 0.69 | 0.83 | 0.08 |
| Sm | 2.12 | 1.79 | 1.66 | 0.2 |
| Eu | 1.254 | 1.119 | 1.02 | 0.07 |
| Gd | 9.92 | 8.95 | 9.19 | 0.5 |
| Tb | 2.88 | 2.74 | 2.77 | 0.2 |
| Dy | 29.2 | 27.7 | 29.35 | 2 |
| Ho | 8.71 | 8.49 | 8.63 | 0.3 |
| Er | 29.36 | 29.4 | 29.6 | 1 |
| Tm | 4.27 | 4.36 | 4.47 | 0.2 |
| Yb | 29.6 | 29.4 | 29.4 | 1.5 |
| Lu | 3.98 | 4.2 | 4.08 | 0.2 |

| 159966 | 159966 | 159966 | 159966 | 159966 | 540521b | 540521b | 540521b |
|---------|--------|---------|-----------------|---------------|---------|---------|---------|
| garnet | Opx | Cpx | garnet | Opx inclusion | garnet | garnet | garnet |
| rim | Ave | Ave | e-mixed (6% Op) | re-mixed | core | mantle | rim |
| 37.48 | 46.42 | 48.37 | 37.68 | 45.96 | 37.37 | 37.28 | 37.13 |
| 0.05 | | 0.07 | | | 0.05 | 0.03 | 0.04 |
| 20.10 | 0.22 | 0.36 | 18.42 | 0.39 | 20.37 | 20.38 | 20.42 |
| 24.18 | 42.21 | 28.40 | 26.50 | 47.79 | 27.00 | 26.23 | 24.10 |
| 0.44 | 3.80 | 3.50 | 0.64 | 1.39 | 1.30 | 1.29 | 0.66 |
| 12.11 | 6.47 | 4.09 | 10.94 | 3.82 | 9.16 | 9.17 | 11.26 |
| 6.27 | 1.40 | 15.59 | 5.82 | 0.65 | 4.99 | 5.30 | 6.23 |
| | | 0.13 | | | | | |
| 0.031 | | 0.002 | | | | | |
| 100.664 | 100.52 | 100.512 | 100 | 100 | 100.235 | 99.683 | 99.837 |
| 3.03 | 1.97 | 1.98 | 3.08 | 1.99 | 3.03 | 3.02 | 3.01 |
| 0.003 | | 0.002 | | | ,002 | 0.002 | 0.002 |
| 1.91 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 1.8 | 0.02 | 1.93 | 1.95 | 1.95 |
| 1.64 | 1.5 | 0.98 | 1.81 | 1.73 | 1.82 | 1.78 | 1.64 |
| 0.05 | 0.24 | 0.21 | 0.07 | 0.09 | 0.16 | 0.16 | 0.08 |
| 0.83 | 0.23 | 0.14 | 0.77 | 0.14 | 0.63 | 0.63 | 0.77 |
| 0.54 | 0.06 | 0.68 | 0.51 | 0.03 | 0.43 | 0.46 | 0.55 |
| | | 0.01 | | | | | |
| 0.002 | | 0 | | | | | |
| 12 | 6 | 6 | 12 | 6 | 12 | 12 | 12 |

| 540521b Opx integrated | 540521b Cpx integrated | 540521b Cpx Coarse lamellae | 540521b Cpx Omphacite | 123220 Bulk rock Wt. % (Fe2O3) | 540521 Bulk rock Wt. % (Fe2O3) |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 47.68 | 49.34 | 49.77 | 45.27 | 43.10 | 48.30 |
| 0.1 | 0.12 | 0.11 | 0.70 | 0.04 | 0.17 |
| 0.45 | 0.78 | 0.71 | 10.73 | 0.46 | 2.83 |
| 33.88 | 22.29 | 21.76 | 25.17 | 46.85 | 34.86 |
| 5.65 | 5.21 | 5.37 | 5.23 | 0.95 | 4.96 |
| 4.76 | 2.94 | 2.51 | 1.20 | 7.27 | 4.78 |
| 5.66 | 17.75 | 19.94 | 10.55 | 3.60 | 3.89 |
| 0.09 | 0.24 | 0.21 | 1.69 | <0.02 | <0.02 |
| | | 0.01 | | <0.02 | <0.02 |
| 98.27 | 98.67 | 100.39 | 100.54 | 102.27 | 99.79 |
| 1.99 | 1.99 | 1.98 | 1.77 | | |
| 0.003 | 0.004 | 0.003 | 0.02 | | |
| 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.03 | 0.5 | | 40 10 15 15 20 0 |
| 1.19 | 0.75 | 0.72 | 0.72 | | |
| 0.35 | 0.31 | 0.32 | 0.31 | | |
| 0.17 | 0.1 | 0.08 | 0.04 | | |
| 0.25 | 0.77 | 0.85 | 0.44 | | |
| 0.008 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.13 | | |
| 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | | |