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2 **Extraterrestrial formation of oldhamite and portlandite through thermal metamorphism of**
3 **calcite in the Sutter's Mill carbonaceous chondrite**

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10 **Abstract**

11 The CM and CI carbonaceous chondrites are typically dominated by phyllosilicates with variable
12 proportions of tochilinite, anhydrous silicates, carbonates, sulfides, sulfates, oxides and organic
13 compounds. During thermal metamorphism the phyllosilicates dehydrate and decompose
14 yielding water and olivine/enstatite. The thermal transformation of carbonate is less well
15 understood, especially in the presence of volatile decomposition products, such as CO, CO₂, SO₂,
16 H₂S, and H₂O. Here is described the mineralogical transformation of calcite (CaCO₃) to
17 oldhamite (CaS) and portlandite (Ca(OH)₂) during extraterrestrial thermal metamorphism on the
18 Sutter's Mill parent body. Sutter's Mill is a regolith breccia consisting of at least two lithologic
19 components: phyllosilicate-calcite-bearing and anhydrous olivine-rich. Evidence suggests that
20 the anhydrous stones were derived from extraterrestrial heating of the phyllosilicate-calcite-
21 bearing material. One of only three Sutter's Mill stones (SM3) collected prior to heavy rainfall
22 over the recovery site is the focus of this study. Its powder X-ray diffraction patterns are
23 dominated by olivine, with lesser enstatite, Fe-sulfides, magnetite, and oldhamite. Oldhamite is

24 absent in the rained-on stones reflecting its water sensitivity and the pristine nature of SM3.
25 Optical micrographs show whitish to bluish grains of oldhamite and portlandite embedded in
26 dark, fine-grained matrix. The presence of abundant olivine and absence of phyllosilicates,
27 tochilinite, and carbonate indicates that SM3 underwent heating to ~ 750 °C. At this temperature,
28 calcite would have decomposed to lime (CaO). Volatilization experiments show that CO, CO₂,
29 SO₂, and H₂S evolve from CM and CI chondrites heated above 600 °C. Lime that formed
30 through calcite decomposition would have reacted with these gases forming oldhamite under
31 reducing conditions. Residual lime not converted to oldhamite, would have readily hydrated to
32 portlandite, possibly through retrograde reactions during cooling on the parent body. These
33 reactions have parallels to those in coal-fired electricity generating plants and provide an
34 analogous system to draw comparison. Furthermore, the identification of these minerals, which
35 are sensitive to terrestrial alteration, and determination of their formation is enabled only by the
36 rapid collection of samples from an observed fall and their subsequent curation.

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Introduction

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Carbonaceous chondrites represent primitive Solar System materials with chemical similarities to that of the solar photosphere (Anders and Grevesse 1989). Many of the CM and CI carbonaceous chondrites are water-rich and contain a suite of organic compounds making them central to the study of the origins of life. Investigations of the aqueous and thermal evolution of these primitive objects is important to understanding their role in planetary formation and the distribution and composition of volatile species and organic material in the Solar System.

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Aqueous alteration of early Solar System materials modifies their mineralogy and petrology through hydration of anhydrous silicates forming phyllosilicates, alteration of Fe-Ni metal, and precipitation of carbonates and sulfates (McSween 1979; Tomeoka and Buseck 1985; Browning et al. 1996; Rubin et al. 2007). Additionally, aqueously altered carbonaceous chondrites can experience thermal metamorphism, acting to dehydrate, decompose, and reduce minerals and organic compounds (Gibson et al. 1972, 1974a, 1974b; Tomeoka et al. 1989a; Nozaki et al. 2006; Court and Sephton 2014; Tonui et al. 2014; Pizzarello and Garvie 2014; Court and Tan 2016). The energy driving this metamorphism can be generated by a range of processes including decay of short-lived radioisotopes, transient impact-generated thermal pulses, or orbital conditions that draw the parent body close to the Sun.

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Thermal metamorphism of the CM and CI carbonaceous chondrites leads to dehydration of phyllosilicates, pyrolysis of organic compounds, and decomposition of tochilinite, carbonates, and sulfates. This heating releases a variety of gases, such as SO₂, H₂S, H₂, H₂O, COS, CS₂, CO₂, CO, and CH₄, which can react with the residual phases (Gibson et al. 1972, 1974a, 1974b; Burgess et al. 1991; Court and Sephton 2014; Court and Tan 2016). Knowledge of these

67 decomposition products and residual phases is important for understanding the processes that
68 alter primitive bodies and is relevant to in situ resource utilization, given the recent interest in
69 asteroidal materials as sources of raw materials (e.g., Lewis et al. 1993; Elvis 2013; Rabade et al.
70 2016). Several CM carbonaceous chondrites show mineralogies and textures indicative of a
71 thermally metamorphosed phyllosilicate-rich precursor, such as Belgica 7904, Yamato 86720,
72 Dhofar 225, and Dhofar 735 (Tomeoka et al. 1989a; Tomeoka 1990; Ivanova et al. 2010). Only
73 two CI carbonaceous chondrites, Yamato 86029 and Yamato 82162, show mineralogical
74 evidence for post-hydration thermal metamorphism (Tomeoka et al. 1989b; Tonui et al. 2003).
75 These heated meteorites are natural laboratories providing insight into the products and
76 mechanisms of thermal metamorphism on the CM and CI carbonaceous chondrite parent bodies.
77 All previous examples of thermally metamorphosed CM and CI carbonaceous chondrites are
78 finds, and hence have experienced terrestrial weathering. However, Sutter's Mill is a recent fall;
79 this meteorite is mineralogically and isotopically similar to the CM chondrites (Jenniskens et al.
80 2012), but many of the stones appear to have been extraterrestrially heated following hydration
81 (Garvie 2013). Thus, study of this meteorite provides insight into extraterrestrial thermal
82 metamorphism of CM carbonaceous chondrites sans terrestrial weathering.

83 Sutter's Mill fell on April 22nd, 2012 over the northern Sierra Nevada foothills (Fries et
84 al. 2014). Approximately 90 stones were recovered, with a cumulative mass of ~1 kg (Jenniskens
85 et al. 2012). Each stone is given an alphanumeric tag beginning with SM (Sutter's Mill) followed
86 by an incremental number. The first three stones (SM1-SM3) were collected on April 24th, 2012,
87 before heavy rain fell across the recovery area. This investigation focuses on pre-rain stone SM3,
88 with comparisons to SM2 (pre-rain) and SM41.

89 Sutter's Mill is a regolith breccia classified as a carbonaceous chondrite with no
90 additional petrologic type or group association (Jenniskens et al. 2012; Garvie 2013; Zolensky et
91 al. 2014). The $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ isotopes partially overlap the CM2 field and the ^{54}Cr excesses overlap that of
92 Murchison (CM2) suggesting a CM-like composition (Ziegler and Garvie 2013; Yamakawa and
93 Yin 2014). Bulk mineralogical observations of seven stones (SM3, 6, 8, 38, 41, 49, and 65)
94 revealed two lithologic components: anhydrous olivine-rich and phyllosilicate-calcite-bearing
95 (Garvie 2013). The phyllosilicate-calcite-bearing stones show broad X-ray reflections indicative
96 of smectite-group minerals, whereas reflections for serpentine are of variable intensity and weak.
97 These clay characteristics differ from the typical serpentine-dominated CM2 meteorites. The
98 mineralogy of the olivine-rich SM stones is similar to that of Belgica 7904 that was heated
99 extraterrestrially to $>500\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ (Stage III and IV in Nakamura 2005). Sutter's Mill adds to an
100 increasing number of CM and CI carbonaceous chondrites found to have experienced a range of
101 thermal metamorphic conditions on their parent bodies (Tomeoka, 1990; Nakamura 2005;
102 Ivanova et al. 2010; Tonui et al. 2014).

103 Sutter's Mill is the only carbonaceous chondrite known to host oldhamite (CaS)
104 (Jenniskens et al 2012; Garvie 2013; Zolensky et al. 2014), a mineral typical of the enstatite
105 chondrites and aubrites (Rubin 1997). Under reducing conditions oldhamite is predicted to
106 condense from a nebular gas, consistent with its presence in enstatite chondrites (Larimer and
107 Bartholomay 1979, Grossman et al. 2008). It has also been proposed to form from Fe-poor
108 chondrule melts with moderate S concentrations (Piani et al. 2016). Therefore, its occurrence in
109 the more oxidized Fe-rich carbonaceous chondrites is unexpected. Two previous studies have
110 identified oldhamite within SM2 and SM3 (Garvie 2013; Zolensky et al. 2014), with Zolensky et
111 al. (2014) suggesting its presence due to physical mixing with an E-type asteroid on the Sutter's

112 Mill parent body. Physical mixtures of chondritic material are not an undocumented occurrence
113 and there are well-characterized examples e.g., Kaidun and Almahata Sitta (Zolensky and Ivanov
114 2003; Zolensky et al. 2010). Here we propose a reaction sequence for the in situ formation of
115 oldhamite and portlandite from calcite during thermal metamorphism. Meteoritic portlandite has
116 only been previously described as a terrestrial weathering product of oldhamite within the
117 Norton County enstatite achondrite (Okada et al. 1981). We report on the first identification of
118 indigenous meteoritic portlandite.

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Materials and Analytical Methods

121 This investigation focuses on SM3, with comparative observations from SM41 and a
122 fragment of SM2. SM3 is a 5.0 g fusion crusted stone found April 24th, 2012, before heavy rain
123 fell over the fall site. Extensive measures were taken to minimize atmospheric and preparation
124 contamination of the samples. The stone was split with a rock splitter and a ~3- x 5-mm chip was
125 prepared and polished without the use of water. All SM3 pieces have been stored under a
126 nitrogen atmosphere, and removed only for analysis. SM2 is a pre-rain stone found April 24th,
127 2012. This stone was crushed by a car tire in a parking lot: here is studied a 30-mg fragment
128 from the total ~4 g recovered. SM41 is a 9.3 g stone found May 4th, 2012.

129 The samples were analyzed at the University of Arizona's Michael J. Drake Electron
130 Microprobe lab with a CAMECA SX100 electron microprobe with five Wavelength Dispersive
131 Spectrometers (WDS), and a Princeton Gamma-tech 5000 Energy Dispersive Spectrometer
132 (EDS). Backscattered electron (BSE) imaging, EDS, and WDS analyses were used to determine
133 the elemental compositions of the samples. WDS element maps were acquired for Ca, Fe, Mg, P,
134 Si, Al, Cl, Ni, Na, and S.

135 Powder X-ray diffraction (XRD) patterns were acquired with a Rigaku MiniFlex 600
136 diffractometer, with a post-diffraction monochromator, employing Cu K α radiation. Data were
137 acquired from 2 to 65° at 0.02° steps, and 60 s/step. XRD samples were prepared from ~10 mg
138 chips (~2 mm piece). The chips were crushed and mixed with a few mL of dry methanol. The
139 resulting slurry was pipetted and spread into a thin, smooth film on a low-background single-
140 crystal quartz plate. This slurry was dried rapidly (~ 5 s) under flowing warm air forming a thin
141 film. Selected samples were also prepared as a dry powder deposited directly onto the quartz
142 plate: no differences were seen between patterns from the two preparation methods showing that
143 the methanol did not affect the water-sensitive minerals.

144 Thermogravimetric (TG) data was acquired under flowing He from 20° to 1000° C, with
145 a heating rate of 10°C/min. Sample sizes were ~40 mg. Data were acquired from three separate
146 chips of SM3, and for comparison from SM41, Murchison (CM2), and Orgueil (CI1).

147 Raman point spectra were acquired over low- (130-2500 cm⁻¹) and high-wavenumber
148 (3400-3800 cm⁻¹) spectral ranges, with exposure times of 1 and 10 s, respectively. A laser power
149 of 3 mW and $\lambda=532$ nm excitation was employed in both spectral regions. Micro-Raman
150 mapping was conducted using a HORIBA Jobin Yvon Scientific XploRA dispersive confocal
151 micro-Raman spectrometer with a laser excitation of $\lambda=532$ nm. Prior to analysis the sample was
152 ground slightly and polished to expose a fresh surface.

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Results

155 Petrographic observations of SM3 show rounded, light-colored clasts and chondrules
156 (some with fine-grained rims) embedded in dark, fine-grained matrix (Fig. 1a, S1). Irregularly
157 shaped 10 to 250 μm bluish-white grains are distributed throughout the matrix (Fig. 1a,b, S1):

158 these grains are Ca-rich (Fig. 1d, S2). Many of the Ca-rich grains are also S-rich, with below
159 detectable levels of other metals (Fig. 1c, S2). These Ca-S-rich grains are uniformly distributed
160 across much of the polished mount (area $\sim 1 \text{ cm}^2$; Fig. S1). Some grains are embedded in the
161 light-colored olivine-rich clasts, whereas many are in the matrix. Larger Ca-rich grains often
162 have S-rich exteriors and S-free cores (Fig. 1c, 2). In addition to Ca, WDS and element mapping
163 show that the S-free cores are O-rich, with minor Cl (Ca:O ratio near 0.44 and $\sim 2 \text{ wt}\%$ Cl). The
164 Ca-O-rich cores are exceedingly electron-beam sensitive. The two largest grains ($\sim 200 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$
165 across) are rimmed: one with olivine and the other Fe-Ni sulfide (Fig. 2, S2). These grains are
166 the only ones observed with this petrographic relationship and are also observed through
167 computed tomography scans (Ebel and Hill 2012; Jenniskens et al. 2012). The WDS maps show
168 that Cl is largely associated with the Ca-O-rich cores at the $\sim 2 \text{ wt}\%$ level, with a few grains
169 displaying higher concentrations (bright blue grain arrowed in Fig. S1). Chlorine correlates with
170 Ca, and is not associated with higher concentrations of other metals such as Na, K, or Mg.

171 SM41 is similar in appearance to SM3 (Fig. 3), with rounded, light-colored clasts and
172 chondrules embedded in dark fine-grained matrix. Irregularly shaped white grains of calcite 10-
173 300 μm in size are distributed uniformly across the sample. Calcium and S element distributions
174 are not correlated, revealing the absence of Ca-S-bearing grains.

175 The SM3 powder XRD patterns are dominated by intense, broad reflections from olivine,
176 with less-intense reflections from Fe-sulfides (pentlandite, troilite), magnetite, oldhamite, and
177 traces of enstatite. Absent are the 13.5 \AA and 7.3 \AA 001 basal reflections characteristic of
178 smectite and serpentine clays, respectively. A large (150 μm), altered Fe-Ni metal grain was also
179 identified through petrographic and electron microprobe analysis (Haberle et al. 2014). Relative
180 to the dominant olivine phase, the XRD patterns from five separate $\sim 2\text{-mm}$ -sized SM3 chips are

181 similar, with minor intensity differences reflecting small variations in the non-olivine
182 components. The powder pattern from SM2 is similar to that from SM3, showing oldhamite
183 reflections and higher intensity reflections for enstatite. In comparison, SM41 is dominated by
184 reflections from phyllosilicates and a large amorphous contribution, with lesser Fe-sulfides,
185 calcite, magnetite, olivine, and enstatite. No oldhamite or Ca sulfate was detected by XRD. Also
186 absent from SM41 are reflections from tochilinite, a common mineral in CM2 chondrites.

187 Heated to 1000 °C, the TG data from SM3 show mass loss of 2.5 wt%, whereas SM41
188 has mass loss of 11.4 wt%. The SM stones exhibit low mass losses compared to CM and CI
189 carbonaceous chondrites, for instance, Murchison (CM2) and Orgueil (CI1) experienced losses
190 of 15 wt% and 22 wt%, respectively.

191 Raman spectra from the large Ca-rich grain in Figure 2b show bands at 356, 1080, 1331,
192 1583, and 3620 cm^{-1} (Fig. 4). The sharp bands at 356 and 3620 cm^{-1} correspond to the ν_2
193 bending and ν_1 OH stretching of $\text{Ca}(\text{OH})_2$, respectively (Schmid and Dariz 2015). The weak
194 Raman mode at 1080 cm^{-1} corresponds to the ν_1 C-O stretching mode of calcite (Schmid and
195 Dariz 2015; Ševčík et al. 2016). The broad modes at 1350 and 1580 cm^{-1} match those of the
196 disordered carbon (D) and graphite (G) Raman active modes present in a variety of carbonaceous
197 materials (Bonal et al. 2006; Quirico et al. 2009).

198 The powder XRD data show that SM3 contains abundant oldhamite. WDS data show
199 multiple dispersed Ca-S-rich grains consistent with oldhamite. The largest grains have S-free,
200 Ca-O-rich cores, with Raman data consistent with portlandite.

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202 **Discussion**

203 **Evidence for indigenous oldhamite and portlandite**

204 The XRD, Raman, and elemental data show the presence of oldhamite and portlandite;
205 both are moisture sensitive. The occurrence of oldhamite in the olivine-rich pre-rain stones (SM2
206 and 3) and absence in the olivine-rich rained-on stones (Garvie 2013; Zolensky et al., 2014)
207 shows the ease with which this mineral is altered by water and speaks to the minimal terrestrial
208 contamination of SM3. The presence of portlandite can be explained as either terrestrial
209 alteration or as indigenous to SM3. In the former case, portlandite would have formed through
210 terrestrial hydration of extraterrestrial lime (CaO). We consider this unlikely, as SM3 was not
211 exposed to rain. In addition, the olivine-rich pre-rain stones (SM2 and 3) are unlike other CM-
212 like carbonaceous chondrites in being very hard and sintered (also noted by Zolensky et al.
213 2014), thus limiting the exposure of interior surfaces to atmospheric moisture. Also, hydration of
214 lime would have led to volume expansion as portlandite has a molar volume (33.08 cm³/mol)
215 twice that of lime (16.79 cm³/mol) (Kudłacz and Rodriguez-Navarro 2014). Evidence of this
216 expansion would be apparent on a cut surface and has not been observed on the prepared
217 specimens. These lines of evidence are consistent with the portlandite being indigenous to SM3.

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219 **Sutter's Mill lithologies**

220 The Sutter's Mill fall is unusual in that it consists of stones with olivine-rich and
221 phyllosilicate/amorphous-rich mineralogies. Only one of the stones previously studied, SM8, is
222 olivine-rich and shows weak phyllosilicate reflections (Garvie 2013). The bulk $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ value of the
223 phyllosilicate-rich stones is 13-18‰ and overlaps that of the olivine-rich stones, which span 11-
224 27‰ (Ziegler and Garvie 2013). These data overlap with the CM field, but are also ¹⁶O-poor
225 extending to values of the metamorphosed CM-like chondrites (Ivanova et al. 2010). Given the
226 petrographic, though not mineralogical, similarities between the hydrated and anhydrous stones

227 (Figs. 1 and 3), and the oxygen isotopic data, we suggest that they are genetically related. In this
228 scenario, the anhydrous SM3 derives from SM41-like material through in-situ thermal
229 metamorphism on the Sutter's Mill parent body.

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231 **Evidence for thermal metamorphism of SM3**

232 SM3 shows low mass loss during TG analysis (2.5 wt%), with its mineralogy dominated
233 by olivine, with an absence of phyllosilicates. Thermally metamorphosed CM carbonaceous
234 chondrites, such as Belgica 7904 (Tomeoka 1990), Yamato 86720 (Tomeoka et al. 1989a),
235 Dhofar 225 and Dhofar 735 (Ivanova et al. 2010), are also olivine-rich with low water contents.
236 It has been posited (Tomeoka et al. 1989a; Tomeoka 1990; Ivanova et al. 2010) that these stones
237 experienced extraterrestrial thermal metamorphism that dehydrated phyllosilicates leading to
238 recrystallization of olivine and minor enstatite (Brindley and Hiyami 1965; Akai 1992). The
239 XRD profiles of recrystallized secondary olivine exhibit broad diffraction peaks that are distinct
240 from the sharp reflections of primary olivine (Nakamura 2005). The olivine diffraction peaks in
241 SM3 are similarly broad consistent with secondary olivine that recrystallized from matrix
242 phyllosilicates. The temperature required to initiate this reaction is $\sim 400^\circ\text{C}$, with complete
243 dehydroxylation and recrystallization to olivine occurring at $\sim 750^\circ\text{C}$ (Brindley and Hiyami
244 1965; Akai 1990,1992; Nakamura 2005; Ivanova et al. 2010; Tonui et al. 2014).

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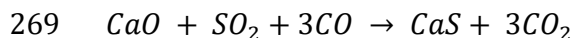
246 **Thermal metamorphism of calcite to oldhamite and portlandite**

247 Calcite is common in CM chondrites and is also present in SM41 (Johnson and Prinz
248 1993; Garvie 2013). We propose that calcite originally present in SM3 was calcined to lime. The
249 calcination reaction is endothermic and decomposition typically initiates above 600°C

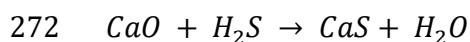
250 (Rodriguez-Navarro et al. 2009; Galan et al. 2013), though can begin ~400 °C (Wang and
251 Thomson 1995). Various factors, related to the physical properties of the material and partial
252 pressure of CO₂, influence the initiation temperature and rate of reaction but, in general, higher
253 temperature favors the forward reaction (Stanmore and Gilot 2005). The kinetics of the
254 calcination reaction is thoroughly studied, as it is a reaction frequently utilized in a number of
255 industrial processes.

256 Lime is commonly employed as a sorbent to capture sulfur emissions from coal-fired
257 electricity-generating plants and this can lead to the formation of oldhamite under reducing
258 conditions (Hansen et al. 1993; Agnihotri et al. 1999). There are two similar reactions that induce
259 oldhamite formation, both utilize lime to react with S-bearing gases (SO₂ and H₂S; Hansen et al.
260 1993; Agnihotri et al. 1999); these gases are also common volatile products of heated CM and CI
261 carbonaceous chondrites (Gibson et al. 1972, 1974a, 1974b; Court and Sephton 2014; Court and
262 Tan 2016). For example, upon heating to 1000°C, Murray (CM2), Murchison (CM2), and
263 Orgueil (CI1) release SO₂, with a trimodal release pattern with peaks located at ~250°C, 400-500
264 °C, and 600-800 °C. Murray and Orgueil also exhibit release of H₂S at ~450°C, with Murray
265 showing additional release >800°C (Gibson et al. 1972, 1974a, 1974b).

266 At high temperature lime reacts with SO₂ to form CaS or CaSO₄ depending upon the
267 reducing potential P_{CO}/P_{CO_2} of the system (Oh and Wheelock 1990; Hansen et al. 1993). When
268 the reducing potential is elevated (>0.2), the formation of oldhamite is favored through:



270 Alternatively, above 700°C with > 2000 ppm H₂S, oxide sulfidation of CaO will occur
271 through:



273 Both reactions form oldhamite along the exterior of the grain with a reaction front
274 propagating inward. In SM3, grains smaller than ~50 μm have been completely converted to
275 oldhamite, while larger grains retain a core of lime (Fig. 1, 2, S2).

276 The residual interior lime is extremely hygroscopic and readily forms portlandite when
277 exposed to water vapor (Dubina et al. 2011, 2013). Following the event that heated SM3, cooling
278 could have resulted in retrograde hydration of lime to portlandite. Furthermore, in the presence
279 of steam and CO_2 , evidence suggests that portlandite can be stable well above its dehydration
280 temperature (~450 $^\circ\text{C}$) as a transient or intermediate phase during calcination and sulfidation
281 (Wang et al. 2010; Materić et al. 2015). This high temperature stability suggests that any lime
282 formed, which was not converted to oldhamite, could persist as portlandite.

283 The two largest oldhamite-portlandite grains have rims of olivine and Fe-Ni sulfide (Fig.
284 2). The CM chondrites, and several SM stones, contain calcite grains with rims, such as Mg-rich
285 serpentine, serpentine-tochilinite, cronstedtite, Fe sulfides, and an unidentified O-S-Fe mineral
286 (de Leuw et al. 2010; Lee et al. 2014; Zolensky et al. 2014; Fujiya et al. 2015). The rims
287 surrounding type 1a calcite in CM chondrites (Fig. 8 in Lee et al. 2014) show textural similarities
288 to the rims we observe in Figure 2c. We suggest that the rims we observe are the thermally
289 metamorphosed equivalent to rims surrounding calcite grains in CM chondrites. In SM3, these
290 rimmed grains are rare but they provide additional supporting evidence that the abundant
291 oldhamite grains were calcite prior to thermal metamorphism and are not xenocrysts from an
292 enstatite chondrite or aubrite.

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Implications

295 Formation of oldhamite and portlandite through thermal processing of CM carbonaceous
296 chondrites presents a new understanding of the mineralogical transformations occurring on
297 carbonaceous chondrite parent bodies. The formation of oldhamite is commonly observed in
298 fluidized bed combustion (FBC) reactors, where crushed limestone is added to coal-fired reactors
299 to reduce sulfur emissions. In addition to oldhamite, FBC ash typically contains large quantities
300 of lime and portlandite revealing that it is a common end-product in high temperature
301 combustion processes involving calcite and carbonaceous materials, such as coal. Gas-solid
302 reactions used industrially for power generation and emission reduction have a parallel with
303 heated CM carbonaceous chondrites, and allow for the presence of portlandite and the reduced
304 phase oldhamite without the need to invoke physical mixing of reduced enstatite chondrites or
305 aubrites on the parent body. In addition, this study introduces portlandite as an indigenous
306 meteoritic mineral.

307 Moreover, these results underline the importance of studying fresh meteorite falls and the
308 need for their appropriate long-term curation. Oldhamite has not been reported from
309 mineralogically similar chondrites e.g., Belgica 7904 (Tomeoka, 1990; Nakamura 2005). This
310 absence could be the result of its water sensitivity and rapid decomposition. This sensitivity is
311 illustrated by the presence of oldhamite in the two studied pre-rain, olivine-rich stones, SM2 and
312 SM3, but not in the post-rain, olivine-rich stones.

313 Mineral assemblages of thermally metamorphosed CM carbonaceous chondrites are
314 unique and can shed light into the processes that acted to modify primitive meteorite parent
315 bodies. Oldhamite generated within a carbonaceous chondrite can be a sensitive indicator of the
316 redox conditions asteroidal material was exposed to during thermal metamorphism. Lime,
317 portlandite, oldhamite, dehydrated phyllosilicates, and olivine each have characteristic spectral

318 features that could be identified by the payload suites of the two sample collecting spacecraft
319 currently travelling to suspected carbonaceous chondrites (OSIRIS-REx and Hayabusa II). As
320 such, the identification and spatial distribution of these minerals on the surface of B- and C-type
321 asteroids would be valuable for interpreting the thermal history of the materials exposed at the
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503

504 **Figure 1.** Representative section of the SM3 polished mount showing the textural and chemical
505 relationship of clasts set in matrix. **(a)** Optical micrograph showing rounded tan-colored olivine,
506 brown Fe sulfide and whitish-blue grains in dark fine-grained matrix. **(b)** Modified optical image
507 showing the distribution of the whitish-blue grains of oldhamite and portlandite with all other
508 materials cropped. **(c)** Black and white map showing where these grains contain only Ca and S.
509 Pixels where Ca and S are both present above background values are set to 255 and appear white.
510 Pixels where other measured elements are present above background are set to a value of 0,
511 appearing black. This panel highlights the relationship of oldhamite with portlandite. **(d)** Ca
512 element distribution map showing WDS counts per pixel. Note the correlation with grains in **(b)**
513 and **(c)**. Observe that the $\sim 75\mu\text{m}$ whitish-blue grain in the upper right corner of the panel has an
514 even distribution of Ca in **(d)** but has an exterior rim of Ca and S in **(c)**, as described in text.
515 Each panel in this figure covers the same area of the mount and the scale in **(a)** applies to all.

516

517 **Figure 2.** (a and c) False-color composite WDS x-ray element images highlighting petrographic
518 relationships of (a) oldhamite (Od) and portlandite (CH) and (c) rimming olivine (Ol) and
519 pentlandite (Pn). (b) Visible light image showing encased grains of portlandite with oldhamite
520 exteriors. Red box indicates the area mapped in **figure 4 c and d**.

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522 **Figure 3.** (a) Optical micrograph of a representative polished area of SM41 showing rounded
523 tan-colored olivine similar to SM3 and white grains of calcite in dark fine-grained matrix. (b)
524 Calcium map of the area enclosed by the red box shown in (a).

525

526 **Figure 4.** Raman spectra collected from the grain highlighted with a red box in **figure 2b**.
527 Spectra from the low- (a) and high- (b) wavenumber spectral regions are labeled with band
528 assignments discussed in text: ν_1 OH stretching, ν_2 $\text{Ca}(\text{OH})_2$ bending, ν_1 C-O stretching of
529 calcite, and disordered carbon (D) and graphite (G). Raman peak amplitude maps (c and d)
530 highlight two strong portlandite Raman peaks and show its distribution is concentrated within the
531 center of the grain, consistent with elemental distribution maps.

Figure 1

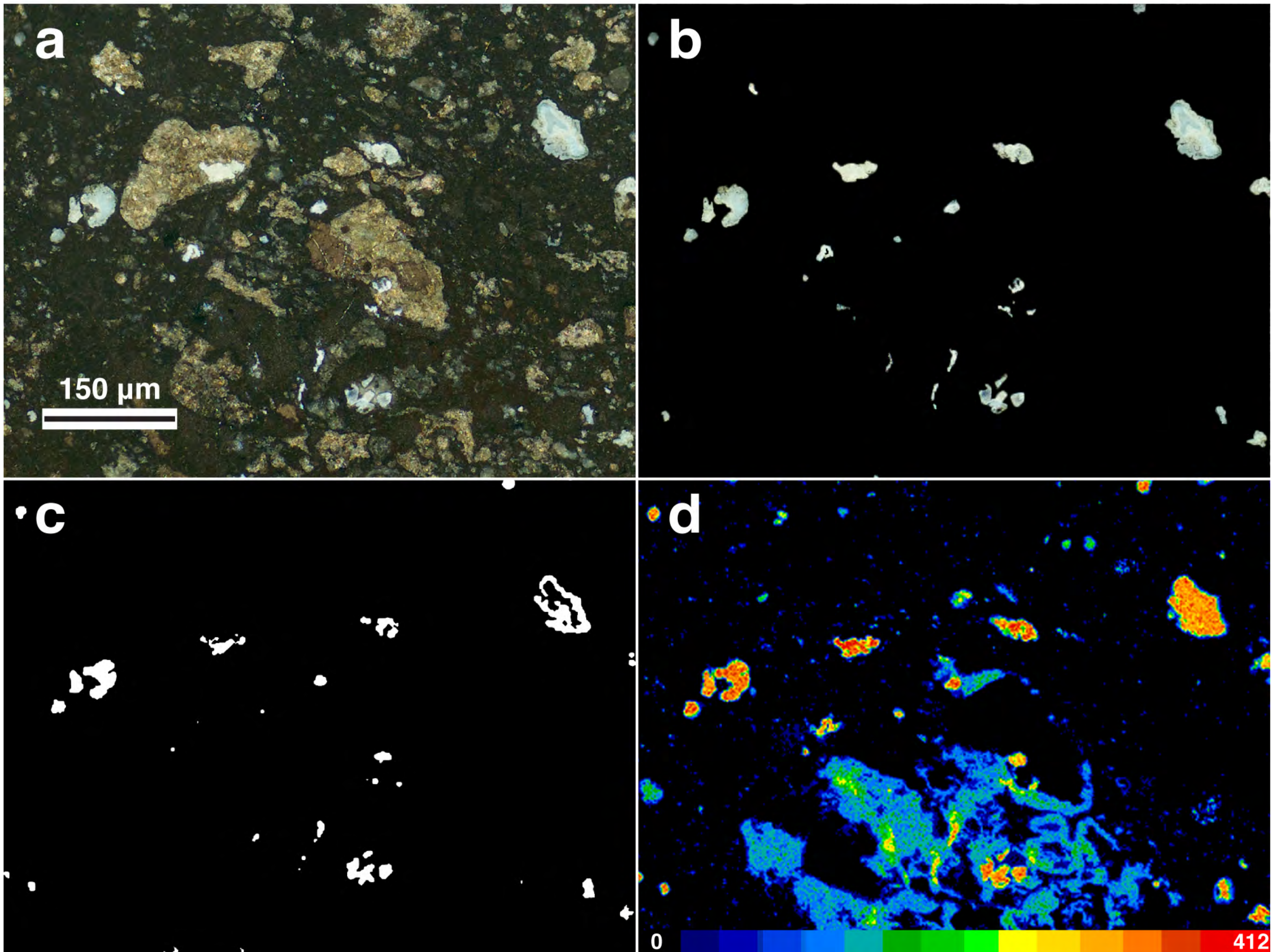


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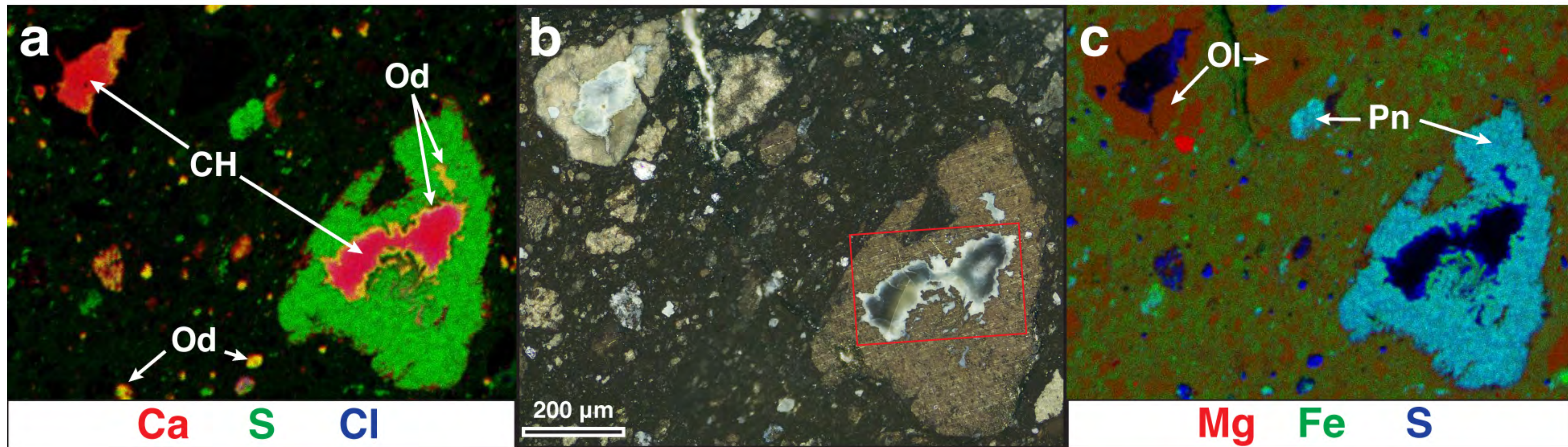


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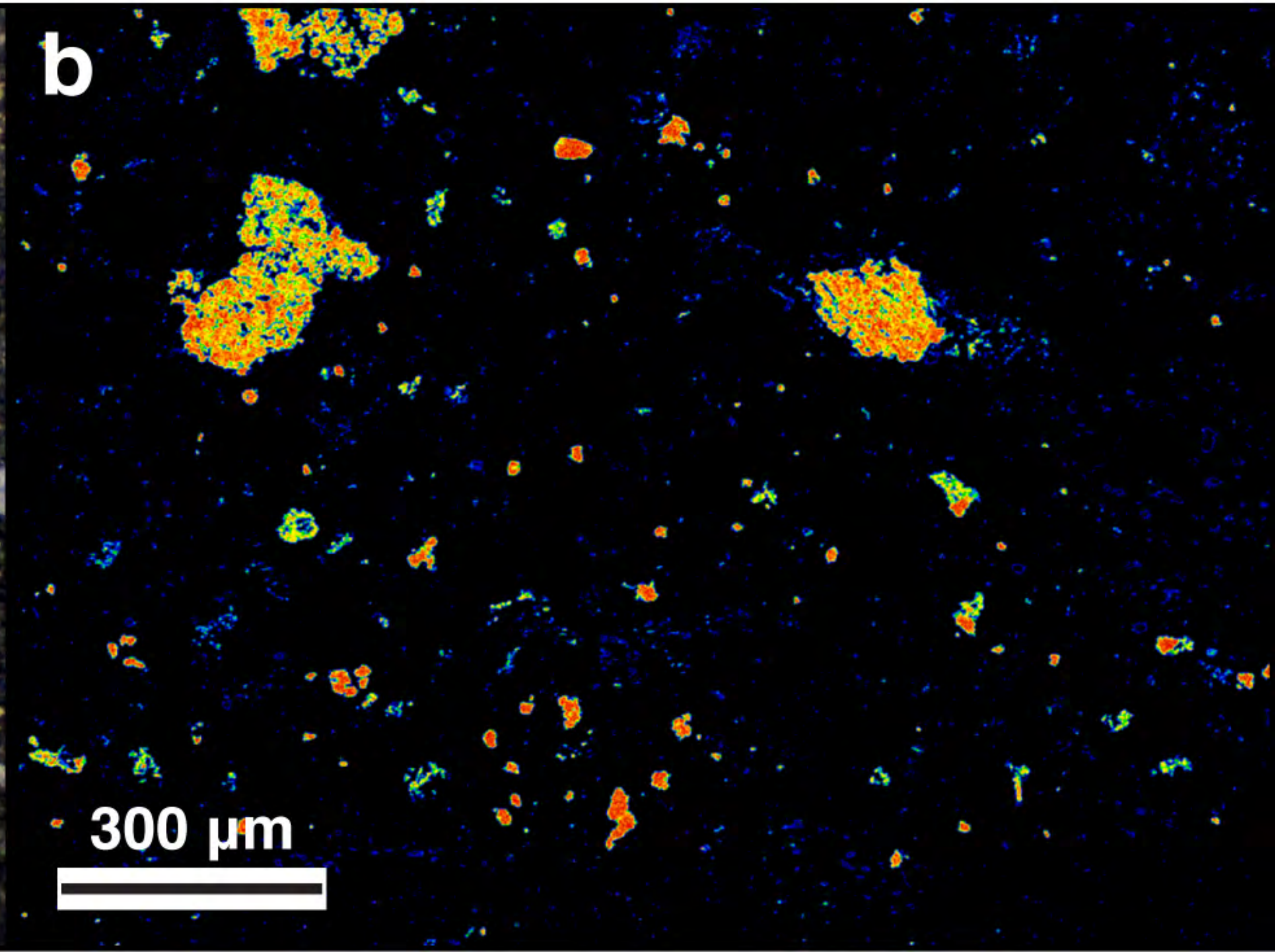
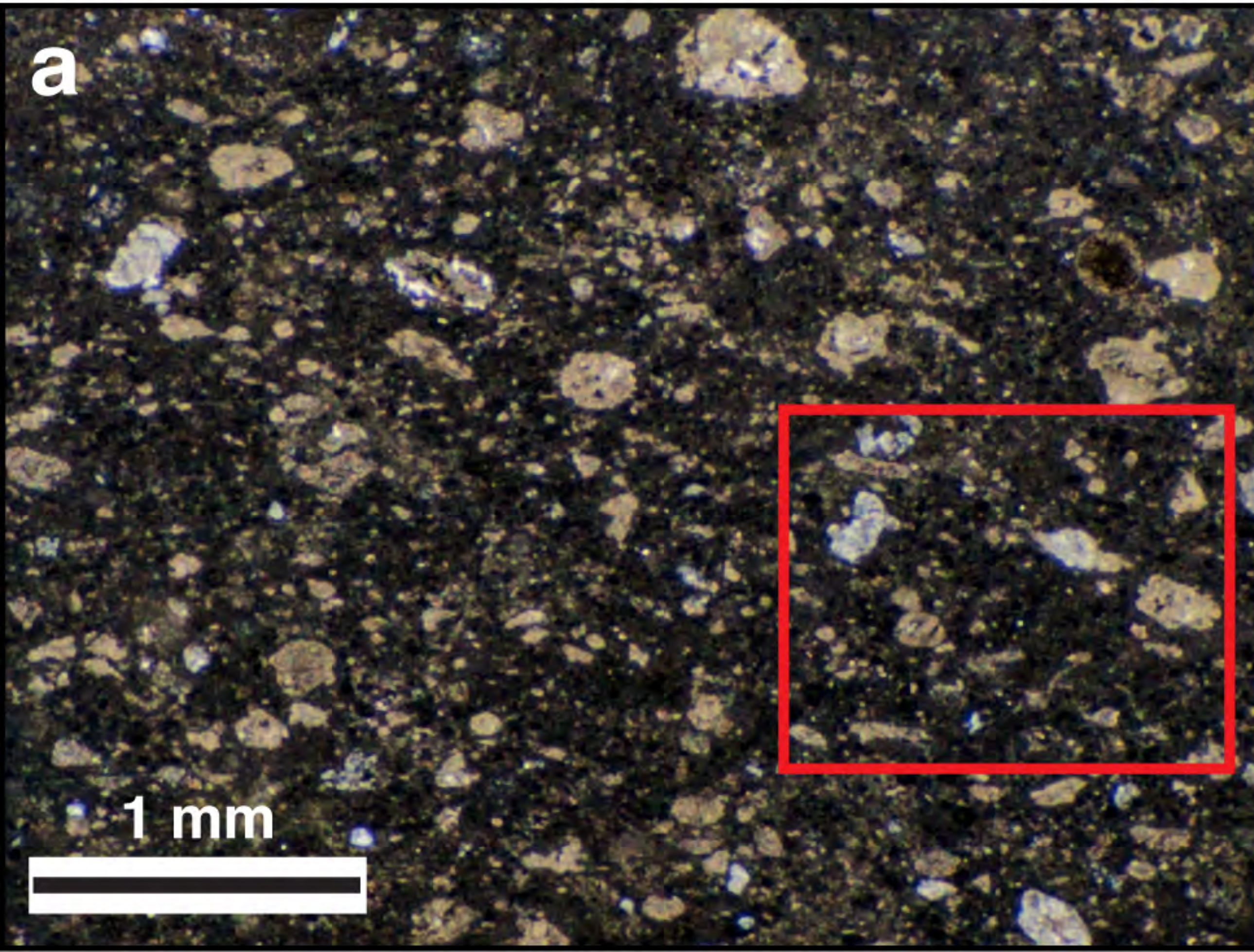


Figure 4

