

1 **The transition from granite to banded aplite-pegmatite sheet complexes: an example from**
2 **Megiliggarr Rocks, Tregonning topaz granite, Cornwall**

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17 **Abstract**

18 The genetic relationship between a granite pluton and adjacent complex of rare-metal pegmatite-
19 aplite-banded sheets (Megiliggarr Sheet Complex - MSC) has been studied at the border of the
20 Tregonning topaz granite at Megiliggarr Rocks, Cornwall, SW England. Similarities in whole-rock
21 chemical and mineralogical compositions, together with a gradual change in textures away from the
22 granite margin, provide strong evidence for a genetic link between the Tregonning Granite and MSC.
23 The sheets are likely to represent apophyses of residual melt which escaped from the largely
24 crystallised roof of the granite pluton. The escaping melt was peraluminous, had a composition near
25 the F, B, Li slightly enriched granite minimum, and, in comparison with other Cornish granites, was
26 enriched in F, Li, Rb, Cs, Sn, W, Nb, Ta, and U, and depleted in Fe, Mg, Ca, Sr, Th, Zr, and REE.
27 With increasing distance from the Tregonning Granite, the silicate melt crystallized as homogeneous

28 leucogranite sheets and banded complex sheets (i.e. combinations of bands with granitic, aplitic and
29 pegmatitic textures), then layered aplite-pegmatites; this sequence becoming progressively more
30 depleted in the fluxing and volatile elements F, Li, Rb, and Cs, but showing no change in Zr/Hf ratios.
31 The fixed Zr/Hf ratio is interpreted as indicating a direct genetic link (parental melt) between all rock
32 types, however the melt progressively lost fluxing and volatile elements with distance from the granite
33 pluton, probably due to wall-rock reaction or fluid exsolution and migration via fractures.
34 Differentiation of the primary melt into Na-Li-F-rich and separate K-B-rich domains was the dominant
35 chemical process responsible for the textural and mineral diversity of the MSC. On a large (cliff-
36 section) scale, the proximal Na-Li-F-rich leucogranite passes through complex sheets into K-B-rich
37 aplite-pegmatites, whilst at a smaller (< 1 m) scale, the K-B-rich bands are interspersed (largely
38 overlain) by Na-Li-F-rich segregations. The grain size differences between the aplite and pegmatite
39 could be related to pressure fluctuations and/or undercooling.

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41 **Key words:** granite; aplite; pegmatite; magmatic layering; Megiligar Rocks; Cornwall

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43 **1. Introduction**

44 The genetic relationship between granitic pegmatites and adjacent or enclosing granites has long been
45 debated, particularly whether such pegmatites form from residual, volatile-rich melts sourced from the
46 granites (London, 2008, chapter 5). In the case of pericontact pegmatites, e.g. stockscheider in tin
47 granites in the Erzgebirge (Breiter et al., 2005), and intragranitic pegmatites, e.g. Black Hills, South
48 Dakota (Norton, 1994) or Pikes Peak, Colorado (Simmons and Heinrich, 1975), a direct genetic link is
49 generally accepted. Stockscheider represent an early product of volatile enrichment at the upper or
50 lateral contacts of a granite melt with non-granite host rocks or a previously emplaced melt batch
51 (Breiter et al., 2005). Intragranitic pegmatites represent late segregations of residual water-rich melt
52 (Shearer et al., 1992). These pegmatite types are commonly found in both strongly peraluminous and
53 subaluminous (S- and A-type) granite plutons.

54 In the case of typical “classic pegmatites”, i.e. large dykes or bodies with strong internal zoning and
55 enrichment of rare minerals/elements, typically intruded into metamorphic rocks distal from granite

56 plutons of appropriate composition, the source of the pegmatitic melt is often inferred (London 2008,
57 chapter 10). Goad and Černý (1981) introduced the term “fertile granite” for the mainly leucocratic
58 granitic plutons which lie proximal to pegmatite fields (mainly of LCT-type). These fulfil the
59 theoretical expectations for fertile starting compositions coupled with long fractionation processes,
60 forming bodies of complex pegmatites (Černý, 1991; Breaks and Moore, 1992). Nevertheless, despite
61 an intensive search, localities enabling the direct study of the transition from a granite pluton to rare-
62 element pegmatite dykes in the host rock are scarce (Neiva and Ramos, 2010; Autunes et al., 2013).
63 We describe here a superb example from Megiliggarr Rocks in Cornwall, SW England. A
64 subhorizontal sheet complex, showing the transition from leucogranites to aplites and pegmatites, is
65 spectacularly displayed over 500 m of coastal cliff exposures at the SE margin of the Tregonning
66 Granite. Although the locality is well-known, published mineralogical investigations and data are
67 relatively sparse (Hall, 1930; Hosking, 1952; Stone, 1969, 1975, 1992; Stone and George, 1978;
68 Badham, 1980; George et al., 1981; Exley and Stone, 1982; Stone et al., 1988; Henderson et al., 1989;
69 Bromley, 1989; Floyd et al., 1993; Breiter et al., 2016; Duchoslav et al., 2017; Simons et al., 2017);
70 the most comprehensive study of aplite-pegmatite banding is that of Stone (1969). The aims of this
71 study are to describe the mineralogy, mineral chemistry and whole-rock geochemistry of the entire
72 range of granitic rocks within the Megiliggarr sheets (granites, aplites, pegmatites) and ascertain their
73 relationship(s) with each other and the adjacent Tregonning Granite.

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75 **2. Geological setting**

76 The Early Permian Cornubian Batholith of SW England is a classic location for the study of rare-metal
77 granites (e.g. Manning and Exley, 1984; Stone and Exley, 1985; Charoy, 1986; Willis-Richards and
78 Jackson, 1989; Chappell and Hine, 2006; Müller et al., 2006; Simons et al., 2016). These Variscan
79 post-collisional peraluminous granites can be subdivided into five major types (Fig. 1a): two mica
80 (G1), muscovite (G2), biotite (G3), tourmaline (G4) and topaz (G5) granites. The topaz granites are
81 typically medium-grained, equigranular and aphyric alkali feldspar granites ($<An_5$), and are
82 characterized by lithium-rich micas and up to 3 vol.% topaz (Manning and Hill, 1990; Manning et al.,
83 1996; Stone, 1992; Simons et al., 2016). Topaz granites occur principally in the Tregonning Granite

84 and the Nanpean and Hensbarrow stocks within the composite St Austell Granite; the Meldon Dyke,
85 north of the Dartmoor Granite, is a topaz aplite (Simons et al., 2016).

86 The Tregonning-Godolphin Granite (Stone, 1975, 1992) contains the fine- to medium-grained
87 porphyritic two mica Godolphin Granite in the north, and the Tregonning Granite in the central and
88 southern parts of the pluton which is exposed on the coast. Hall (1930) attributed these coastal
89 exposures to the Godolphin Granite, following early Geological Survey usage (Reid and Flett, 1907),
90 but the composite nature of the pluton was recognised by Stone (1960) and the Tregonning Granite has
91 been distinguished separately in most subsequent work (e.g. Stone, 1975, 1990; Floyd et al., 1993;
92 Simmons et al., 2016).

93 The host rocks to the Tregonning Granite are low-grade regionally- and contact-metamorphosed
94 metasedimentary rocks of the Mylor Slate Formation (Goode and Taylor, 1988; Leveridge and Shail,
95 2011). Field relations indicate that granite emplacement and contact-metamorphism post-dated the
96 development of folds and cleavages related to both Variscan thrusting (D1 and D2) and post-Variscan
97 extension (D3) (Stone, 1966, 1975; Alexander and Shail, 1996; Pownall et al., 2012). The dominant
98 fabric in the host rocks is a gently SE-dipping S3 crenulation cleavage (S2 of Stone, 1966) that
99 commonly transposes earlier fabrics and locally contains variably boudinaged veins of metamorphic
100 quartz (Alexander and Shail, 1996). The history of pre- and post-granite vein development and the
101 associated fluid characteristics has been described by Wilkinson (1990, 1991) and Gleeson et al.
102 (2000).

103 A series of leucocratic, partly layered granites, termed the “roof complex” (Stone, 1975), lies along the
104 horizontal upper contact of the Tregonning Granite with the Mylor Slate Formation. At the SE margin
105 of the Tregonning Granite, the roof complex is represented by gently SE-dipping leucogranite and
106 aplite-pegmatite sheets within the Mylor Slate Formation that are continuously exposed in a 30-50 m
107 high cliff section over a distance of *c.* 500 m between Legereath Zawn (“zawn” is a Cornish term
108 meaning a deep and narrow sea-inlet cut by erosion into sea-cliffs, and with steep or vertical
109 side-walls) and Tremearne Par (“Megiliggarr Rocks” 50°04′26.4″ N, 5°24′42.6″ W) (Fig. 2a). We
110 hereafter refer collectively to these sheets as the “Megiliggarr Sheet Complex” (MSC). The geometrical

111 relations of these sheets, and their relations to the Tregonning Granite, have been variably represented
112 in sketch cross-sections (Hall, 1930; Stone, 1975; Badham, 1980; Exley and Stone, 1982; Bromley,
113 1989; Floyed et al., 1993; Fig. 1b in this work).

114 The easternmost exposure of the Tregonning Granite occurs around Legereath Zawn where it post-
115 dates an earlier biotite granite porphyry ('elvan') dyke (Hall, 1930), the 'Legereath granite porphyry'
116 of Stone (1975) or 'Legereath Zawn Elvan' of Breiter et al. (2016). The uppermost part of the
117 Tregonning Granite is exposed in the western, northern and eastern walls of Legereath Zawn. In the
118 northern wall it occupies the full cliff height (50 m) but moving eastwards passes, at an elevation of *c.*
119 15 m, into the lowermost sheet of the MSC within the Mylor Slate Formation. We concur with Hall
120 (1930, Fig. 8B) that there is also a magmatic linkage, via a short sheet segment, between this
121 lowermost sheet and the uppermost part of the Tregonning Granite towards the base of the cliff on the
122 eastern side of Legereath Zawn. Although the contacts between the more easterly MSC sheets and the
123 Tregonning Granite are not exposed, we infer that all the MSC was sourced in a comparable manner
124 from the upper parts of the Tregonning Granite.

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126 **3. Analytical methods**

127 The whole-rock (WR) major element oxide determinations (using wet techniques, for detail see
128 <http://www.geology.cz/extranet-eng/services/laboratories/inorganic-analysis>) were carried out at the
129 Czech Geological Survey, Praha. Replicate analyses of an international reference material (JG-3;
130 Geological Survey of Japan) yielded an average error (1 sigma) of $\pm 1\%$ with respect to the
131 recommended values (Govindaraju, 1994). Trace elements were determined by ICP mass spectrometry
132 following lithium metaborate/tetraborate fusion or nitric acid digestion in the laboratories of the
133 Bureau Veritas, Vancouver, Canada (For details including limits of detection see <http://>
134 http://acmelab.com/wp-content/uploads/2009/03/BVM_2017-Fee-Schedule_v4_14Sep2017.pdf,
135 laboratory codes LF100 and MA200).

136 A TESCAN Integrated Mineral Analyzer (TIMA) was used for automated mineralogical, modal and
137 textural analysis employing Liberation Analysis mode (Gottlieb et al., 2000). Liberation Analysis
138 mode, with 'high-resolution mapping', includes the collection of backscattered electron (BSE) and

139 EDS data on a regular grid (10 μm point spacing in our case). At each point, the BSE level is
140 determined. If the BSE level is above a certain threshold, the beam is kept directed on this spot until a
141 predefined number of X-ray counts (1000 in our case) from the spectrometer are collected. The
142 individual points are grouped based on a similarity search algorithm and areas of coherent BSE and
143 EDS data merged to produce segments (i.e. mineral grains). Individual spectra from points within each
144 segment are summed. The average BSE value is also calculated. Data from each segment are then
145 compared against a classification scheme to identify the mineral and assign its chemistry and density
146 (Hrstka et al., in prep.). The results are plotted in the form of a map showing the distribution of
147 minerals within the sample.

148 Minerals were chemically analysed using a Cameca SX 100 electron microprobe, in wavelength-
149 dispersive mode, at the Institute of Geology CAS. Analytical conditions for silicates were:
150 accelerating voltage 15 kV, beam current 10 nA, beam diameter 2 μm . The following calibration
151 standards were used: Na, Al – jadeite, Mg, Si, Ca – diopside, K – leucite, Ti – rutile, P – apatite, Mn –
152 MnCr_2O_4 , Fe – magnetite, F – fluorite, and Rb – RbCl. The matrix correction procedure X-Phi
153 (Merlet, 1994) was applied. The empirical formulae of the feldspars were calculated based on 8
154 oxygen atoms per formula unit (8 O apfu); the empirical formulae of the micas were calculated based
155 on 44 negative charges. The empirical formulae of the tourmaline were calculated based on 24.5
156 oxygen atoms per formula unit (boron excluded).

157 The Sn, W, Nb, Ta-oxide minerals and zircon were analyzed at an accelerating voltage and beam
158 current of 15 kV and 7 nA, and 15 kV and 10 nA, respectively, with a beam diameter of 1 to 3 μm .
159 The counting times on each peak were optimized for individual elements according to their expected
160 concentrations (10–60 s), and half that time was used to obtain background counts. X-ray lines and
161 background offsets were selected to minimize interference.

162 Lithium and trace elements in micas and tourmalines were determined using LA-ICP-MS at the
163 Masaryk University, Brno. Micas were analyzed using a Nd:YAG-based laser ablation system at a
164 wavelength of 213 nm (New Wave Research, Inc., Fremont, CA, USA), which was coupled to a ICP-
165 QMS instrument with quadrupole mass spectrometer (Agilent 7500ce, Agilent Technologies, Santa
166 Clara, CA, USA). Tourmaline grains were analyzed with an ArF* excimer-based laser ablation system

167 Analyte G2 (Teledyne CETAC Technologies) at a wavelength of 193 nm, which was coupled to an
168 Element2 (Thermo Fischer Scientific) ICP-MS instrument with double focusing electrostatic and
169 magnetic sectors. Operating conditions of both the LA-ICP-QMS and LA-ICP-SFMS were optimized
170 with the aim of obtaining maximum signal-to-background ratios and sensitivity, minimum spectral and
171 non-spectral interferences and best signal stability, and then kept constant throughout the analyses.
172 Micas were ablated under optimal conditions of: fluence ($13 \text{ J}\cdot\text{cm}^{-2}$), frequency (10 Hz), ablation dwell
173 time (40 s), duration of Ar-He gas blank measurement (40 s) and laser beam spot diameter ($80 \mu\text{m}$).
174 For tourmaline, a spot diameter of $30 \mu\text{m}$, fluence of $3 \text{ J}\cdot\text{cm}^{-2}$, frequency of 10 Hz, 60s ablation dwell
175 time and 60s Ar-He gas blank measurement were applied. Silica was employed as the internal
176 reference element having been previously determined in samples by electron microprobe. The systems
177 were calibrated using artificial glass NIST610 and NIST612 to quantify the concentrations of Li, Al,
178 Sc, Ga, Ge, Nb, In, Sn, Cs, Ta, W and Tl in mica, and Li, Be, B, Al, Sc, Zn, Ga, Ge, Rb, Nb, In, Sn,
179 Cs, W, and Tl in tourmaline.
180 Trace element concentrations (Al, B, Be, Fe, Ge, Li, Mn, P, Rb, Sn, Sr, and Ti) in quartz were
181 determined by LA-ICP-MS at the Institute of Geology CAS. This utilized a Thermo-Finnigan Element
182 2 sector field mass spectrometer coupled to an Analyte Excite 193 nm excimer laser (Photon
183 Machines). Analyses were conducted using a repetition rate of 10-20 Hz, laser fluence of $3\text{--}5 \text{ J}\cdot\text{cm}^{-2}$,
184 beam size of $40\text{--}80 \mu\text{m}$; all parameters were optimized against the intensity of signals. The ablated
185 material was transported by high purity He gas from the laser ablation cell. Time-resolved signal data
186 were processed using Glitter software (<http://www.glitter-gemoc.com/>). The isotopes ^{29}Si and ^{30}Si
187 were used as internal standards based on the assumption that the analyzed quartz contains 99.95 wt%
188 SiO_2 . The data were calibrated using artificial glass NIST612. For more details see Breiter et al.
189 (2013).

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191 **4. Petrology of the Megiliggarr Sheet Complex (MSC)**

192 **4.1 Textural varieties of MSC samples studied**

193 The Tregonning Granite is a medium-grained equigranular granite, light in colour and composed of
194 quartz, albite, perthitic K-feldspar, zinnwaldite/lepidolite micas, and Li-F-rich schorl. Apatite is minor,
195 while rutile, Fe-columbite, and zircon are accessory (typical sample #5303, Fig. 3a).

196 A small body of fine-grained equigranular granite with macroscopic black mica, termed a biotite
197 granite dyke, was found within the faulted zone at Legereath Zawn, in association with a typical
198 granite-porphyry ('elvan') dyke. The biotite granite is composed of quartz, albite, K-feldspar, strongly
199 muscovitized Li-Fe-mica (primarily siderophyllite–zinnwaldite in composition) and schorl. Apatite is
200 minor; rutile, zircon and monazite are accessory minerals (sample #4962).

201 SE from Legereath Zawn, the following principal types (facies) can be defined within the sheets of the
202 MSC (Fig. 1b):

203 • Homogeneous leucogranite which forms three major sheets, each up to 3 m thick and 200 m
204 long (Fig. 2a). This rock is fine- to medium grained, equigranular and nearly white in colour. It is
205 composed of quartz, albite>K-feldspar, zinnwaldite-trilithionite mica, and Li-enriched fluoro-
206 schorl. Sub-parallel dark layers up to 3 cm thick that are enriched in mica are locally conspicuous
207 (Fig. 2b, c). Amblygonite and apatite are minor; zircon, Mn-columbite, and uraninite are accessory
208 (typical sample #4963).

209 • These fine-to medium grained leucogranite sheets also contain a fine-layered aplitic facies and
210 minor pods and laminae of pegmatite facies. Further SE, the proportions of granitic, aplitic and
211 pegmatitic facies became nearly equal forming "complex sheets" (Fig. 2d, e). Some aplitic and
212 pegmatitic layers form rhythmic structures; textural borders are smooth and gradational. The
213 direction of crystallization, i.e. relative age of layers, may be inferred from orientation of feldspar
214 crystals in unidirectional solidification textures (UST) (London, 2008). In some cases, the layering
215 is a product of repeated injection (compare Bromley, 1989) with symmetrical zoning. These sheets
216 are enriched in Li and F; they contain pinkish Li-bearing zinnwaldite–trilithionite micas and Li-
217 enriched (deep green) tourmaline in some laminae, but muscovite and black schorl in others.
218 Albite dominates over K-feldspar. Manganese-rich apatite is minor; fluorite, monazite, xenotime,
219 zircon, columbite, rutile, cassiterite, wolframite, uraninite, pyrite, arsenopyrite, molybdenite and
220 native Bi are accessory minerals. Typical samples are #2015 (fine layered aplite), 4964 (fine-

221 grained granite with pegmatitic laminae), **5304** (fine-grained granite rich in tourmaline), **5305**
222 (layered combination of granite, pegmatite and aplite, Fig. 3b).

- 223 • Major bodies of aplite/coarse-grained granite/pegmatite and abundant thinner aplite/pegmatite
224 sheets with very different textures and scales of layering appear mainly in flat outcrops on the
225 beach, and are subordinate in the cliff. They are composed of irregular and locally interpenetrative
226 domains (layers, nests, dykes) of <1 mm-sized (aplitic), 1–2 cm-sized (granitic) and coarser
227 (pegmatitic) matter. Contacts are both sharp and gradational; in-situ fractionation is combined here
228 with repeated injection of similar magma (thin laminae crystallizing from both contacts inwards
229 cross an older layering with upwards oriented crystallization). All textural varieties within these
230 sheets contain more K-feldspar than albite, and are rich in tourmaline (schorl to foitite). Mica is in
231 all cases muscovite/phengite in composition. Apatite is minor, and zircon, monazite, xenotime,
232 uraninite, sphalerite, pyrite, molybdenite, and native Bi are accessory. Rocks are Li- and F-poor.
233 Typical samples are **#4965** (layered aplite from centre of a thick sheet), **#5306** (aplite at the border
234 of a sheet), and **#5307** (granitopegmatite, i.e. very coarse grained rock with granitic texture, centre
235 of the sheet next to #5306, Fig. 3c). Quartz-cored tourmaline is also present (very coarse-grained
236 granite, **#5302**).
- 237 • Thin pegmatite or aplite/pegmatite dykes (usually <20 cm, Figs. 3b, c) occur in the eastern
238 part of the cliff. These dykes often change orientation (horizontal vs. vertical), diverge and
239 coalesce. The pegmatite-like textures appear mainly along the contacts (Fig. 3d), but locally
240 change laterally to pericontact and central positions (Fig. 2f). These dykes are tourmaline and
241 muscovite-dominant, and Li- and F-poor. Occasionally, texturally similar, but steeply-inclined
242 sheets occur (Fig. 2g).
- 243 • Quartz veins, variably developed throughout the study area, but conspicuous in the
244 easternmost part around Tremearne Par (Hosking, 1952; Badham, 1980; Bromley, 1989). These
245 are deformed (folded and/or boudinaged) within the S3 cleavage and pre-date granite
246 emplacement; they were sourced from Variscan metamorphic fluids and are not part of the MSC.

247 For further description and interpretation, samples have been classified into three principal groups,
248 based on a combination of textures, whole-rock chemistry, and mineral abundances and compositions:

249 (i) **granites**, i.e. fine- to medium-grained homogeneous rocks (Tregonning Granite #5303,
250 leucogranite sheet #4963), (ii) Li-mica-dominated **complex sheets** (#2015, 4964, 5305, 5304), and
251 (iii) muscovite-tourmaline-dominated **aplite-pegmatites** (#4965, 5302, 5306, 5307) [The term aplite-
252 pegmatite is hereafter used for intimate banding of fine-grained (aplitic) and coarse-grained
253 (pegmatitic) layers (Jahns and Tuttle, 1963; London, 2008)] . This classification is somewhat
254 simplistic, as combinations of textural types and transitional facies are common, but is necessary to
255 allow further description, interpretation, and discussion.

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257 **4.2 Detail zoning of the sheets**

258 Two samples of fine-layered rock were chosen for a detailed study of mineralogical and geochemical
259 zoning: a Li-mica dominated sample from a complex sheet (#2015, Fig. 4), and a muscovite-
260 tourmaline-dominated aplitic domain of an aplite-pegmatite sheet (#4965, Fig. 5). Mineral maps
261 across the zoning were constructed and mineral compositions in texturally distinct layers (laminae)
262 were computed using TIMA-technology. Approximate chemical compositions of individual layers and
263 WR (Fig. 6, Supplementary tables 1, 2) were computed from modal compositions of layers and
264 chemical composition of rock-forming minerals determined by electron microprobe, with Li by the
265 LA-ICP-MS.

266 The texture of sample #2015, from a Li, F-enriched complex sheet, is composite and can be divided
267 into three sections. The lower part of the sequence, termed layers #1→7, evolved systematically with a
268 decrease in the modal abundance of K-feldspar (28→6.5 vol.%), quartz (33→25 vol.%), and
269 tourmaline (8→4 vol.%), along with a strong increase in the modal abundance of albite (16→74
270 vol.%, Fig. 4). In the middle section, lines 8→11, the modal abundance of minerals is much more
271 variable, as it is in the upper part of the sample, layers #12→22, which is also rich in albite (38–74
272 vol.%), zinnwaldite (mostly 5–6 vol.%) and topaz (up to 11 vol.% in lines 19 and 20), and poor in K-
273 feldspar (mostly <10 vol.%), tourmaline (mostly <1 vol.%) and muscovite (mostly <2 vol.%).

274 Additionally, the grain size of the albite-dominated layers is significantly finer than that of K-feldspar
275 dominated layers.

276 Distinctive chemical changes appear between layers #11 and 12: K and B decrease, while F increases
277 (Fig. 6a). Mineralogically, this is due to muscovite and tourmaline giving way to zinnwaldite and
278 topaz. The pairs Na–K and F–B are negatively correlated (Fig. 6b, c) due to mineralogical antagonism
279 of albite vs. K.-feldspar and lepidolite vs. tourmaline. Boron and Fe show a positive trend (Fig. 6d),
280 both hosted dominantly in tourmaline, and F with Mn, as F-rich micas are relatively enriched in Mn.
281 The relationship between F and B vs. the Ab-Kfs ratio is more complex; nevertheless, F- (resp. B-)
282 enrichment in Ab- (resp. Kfs-) dominated layers is clear.
283 The tourmaline-muscovite aplite-pegmatite is dominated by aplite (#4965, Fig. 5) and shows only
284 moderate variability in mineral compositions in layers #1-5, with 23–42 vol.% K-feldspar, 12–26
285 vol.% albite, 30–47 vol.% quartz, 4–8 vol.% muscovite and 4–10 vol.% schorl. The zoning is visually
286 apparent from a variation in grain size and orientation of tourmaline grains. There is no general trend in
287 composition from layers #1→5. Layer #6 differs remarkably and is rich in topaz and muscovite (22.4
288 and 32.4 vol.% resp.), representing a vug filled with residual melt/fluid. Surprisingly, even though
289 sample #4965 contains F-poor tourmaline and mica, the WR content of fluorine is, due to the high
290 topaz vol.% in layer #6, higher than that in sample #2015 (Fig. 6c).

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292 **5. Whole-rock chemical compositions**

293 All rock types forming the MSC are chemically similar, being rich in silica (69–76 wt.% SiO₂),
294 leucocratic, and strongly peraluminous (ASI=1.23–1.46, (molar Al₂O₃/CaO+K₂O+Na₂O)) (Tab.1, Fig.
295 7). All rock types are, in comparison with other Cornubian granites, rich in alumina (mostly 14–16
296 wt.% Al₂O₃), phosphorus (0.3–0.7 wt.% P₂O₅), Li, Nb, Ta and Sn, but poor in iron (mostly <1 wt.%
297 FeO_{tot}), magnesium (mostly <0.2 wt.% MgO), calcium (with one exception ≤0.6 wt.% CaO), Zr and
298 REE (Chappell and Hine, 2006; Simons et al., 2016).

299 Comparing the three main groups of rocks, the granites (comprising the Tregonning Granite and
300 leucogranite sheet) are relatively poor in silica (69.2–71.1 wt.% SiO₂) and potassium (4.2–5.3 wt.%
301 K₂O), but rich in sodium (3.4–4.3 wt.% Na₂O), lithium (ca. 0.40 wt.% Li₂O), fluorine (0.9–1.4 wt.%
302 F), Rb (1400–1830 ppm), and Cs (200–250 ppm). In contrast, the aplite/pegmatite sheets are rich in
303 silica (72.1–76.3 wt.% SiO₂) and potassium (mostly >5 wt.% K₂O), but poor in sodium (1.9–2.9 wt.%

304 Na₂O), lithium (<0.03 wt.% Li₂O), fluorine (0.2–0.64 wt.% F), Rb (356–755 ppm), and Cs (17–33
305 ppm). High-field strength trace elements (HFSE) are highly variable in their concentrations: Sn (13–80
306 ppm), W (4–46 ppm), Nb (17–69 ppm), Ta (6–50 ppm), and Zr (9–29 ppm). The chemical
307 composition of the “complex sheets” usually lies between the “granites” and “aplite-pegmatites”.
308 Within the WR data, there is a strong positive correlation between Li, Rb, F, and Na (i.e. elements
309 hosted in Li-mica and albite), and among all these elements and the Mn/Fe value. All rock types,
310 excluding biotite granite, have very low contents of all REEs, flat REE distribution pattern, and a
311 distinct tetrad effect (Fig. 7e). The extremely low REE-content of the sample 4963 probably indicates
312 strong interaction with a late- or post-magmatic fluid. The biotite granite has an REE pattern typical of
313 common granitoids with a relative enrichment of LREE over HREE. The granites and sheets from
314 Megiliggarr show an extreme enrichment in Li, Nb, Ta, Sn and W relative to other Cornubian granites,
315 and show significantly lower Zr and REE (e.g. Chappell and Hine, 2006; Müller et al., 2006; Simons
316 et al., 2016, 2017).
317 The biotite granite differs from all the above mentioned rock types in being slightly enriched in FeO_{tot}
318 (1.37 wt.%), MgO (0.26 wt.%) and strongly enriched in U (39 ppm), Th (7 ppm) and all REEs (for
319 example Ce 25 ppm).

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321 **6. Minerals**

322 **Quartz** typically has consistent primary abundances of trace elements and therefore gives reliable
323 information about the composition of the magma from which it crystallized (e.g. Jacamon and Larsen,
324 2009). The chemical composition of quartz in samples from Megiliggarr is characterized both by a
325 relatively large scatter of trace elements in each sample, and, conversely, by similarity in composition
326 across all samples (Fig. 8, Supplementary Table 3). Surprising is the strong positive correlation
327 between Ti and Al, which is very different to the usual negative correlation between these elements in
328 common granites, with Ti decreasing with increasing Al during fractionation (Müller et al., 2010;
329 Breiter et al., 2014). The Al/Ti ratio, usually a good indicator of magma fractionation, has a narrow
330 interval of 10–40. Quartz from all samples is very rich in Li, but poor in Ge. In comparison with a
331 large dataset for Variscan granites and pegmatites (Breiter et al., 2013, 2014), quartz from the MSC

332 shows trace element trends which are more like those of granites than pegmatites. Indications of a
333 hydrothermal origin, low contents of Ti (<5 ppm) coupled with very high Al (>>1000 ppm) (Rusk et
334 al., 2008) were not found.

335 **K-feldspar** (Kfs) is present in two textural varieties: (i) as perthite which appears in rock facies with
336 typical pegmatite textures, usually enriched in schorl, and (ii) as small phenocrysts (<25 mm) in the
337 Tregonning Granite. Homogeneous Kfs, often with abundant inclusions of albite (but not admixtures),
338 prevails in other rock types (groundmass in the Tregonning Granite, leucogranite sheet, aplites). In
339 layered rock, the tourmaline-rich sample #4965 contains only homogeneous Kfs, while sample #2015
340 contains perthite in the layer #4 and homogeneous Kfs in all other layers.

341 Chemically, two groups of K-feldspars may be distinguished (Supplementary Table 4): (i) relatively
342 more evolved P-enriched (>0.3 wt.% P₂O₅) grains with 0.2–0.6 wt.% Rb₂O were found in the granites
343 (incl. biotite granite from Legereath Zawn) and complex sheets, and (ii) less evolved crystals, with
344 P₂O₅<0.3 wt.% and Rb₂O<0.3 wt.%, in the aplite-pegmatites. The abundance of P and Rb does not
345 relate to whether the K-feldspar has a homogeneous or perthitic texture.

346 **Albite** is the main plagioclase phase containing less than 1.2 wt.% CaO (<0.06 apfu Ca,
347 Supplementary Table 2), in line with previous studies (Stone, 1992; Simons et al., 2017). The highest
348 content of Ca was found in albite from the biotite granite dyke (0.47–1.18 wt.% CaO), while nearly all
349 grains from the other rock types contain albite with <0.4 wt.% CaO. The Li-mica bearing complex
350 sheets contain P-enriched albite (0.4–0.6 wt.% P₂O₅, 0.015–0.022 apfu P), while albite from the
351 Tregonning Granite and from the tourmaline-bearing facies of the sheets usually contains less than 0.1
352 wt.% P₂O₅ (<0.004 apfu P).

353 **Micas** usually form small grains (<1 mm across) that are evenly distributed through the samples.
354 Aggregates of larger muscovite flakes were only found in some thin laminae within complex sheets,
355 e.g. layer #9 in sample 2015 (Fig. 4), and layer #6 in sample 4965 (Fig. 5). Three types of mica can be
356 distinguished in the rocks studied: (i) zinnwaldite-trilithionite group (hereafter “lepidolite”), (ii)
357 muscovite-phengite group (hereafter “muscovite”), and (iii) mica slightly enriched in Li within the
358 siderophyllite–muscovite–zinnwaldite space (hereafter “Li-Fe-Al-mica”). This mica subdivision is
359 represented on binary plots of mineral composition (Fig. 9a, b).

360 Lepidolite dominates in granites (e.g. outcrops of the Tregonning Granite and leucogranite sheets) and
361 has also been found in the complex sheets. It is rich in Li (4–5 wt.% Li₂O), Rb (0.8–1.1 wt.% Rb₂O)
362 and F (7.8–9 wt.% F) (Supplementary table 5); all these elements show a positive correlation.
363 Muscovite is present in complex sheets and dominates in aplite-pegmatites. It is enriched in Fe
364 (typically containing 2 wt.% FeO, occasionally up to 4 wt.%), but poor in Li, Rb and F (<0.1 wt.%
365 Li₂O, <0.2 wt.% Rb₂O, <0.1 wt.% F). In the fine-layered parts of complex sheets, muscovite and
366 lepidolite micas alternate (Fig. 9c).

367 “Li-Fe-Al-mica” was found dominantly in the biotite granite dyke and occasionally also in the
368 complex sheets. Macroscopically, this mica is black, resembling common biotite, which strongly
369 differs from the light beige to pink colour of zinnwaldite–trilithionite. In comparison to the Li-micas
370 of the zinnwaldite-trilithionite series, this mica is lower in Li (0.8–2.15 wt.% Li₂O), Rb (0.3–0.6 wt.%
371 Rb₂O) and F (3–4 wt.% F) and strongly variable in Al and Fe (22–31 wt.% Al₂O₃, 4–18 wt.% FeO),
372 with an approximate mean formula of K₂Li_{1.6}Fe₁Al_{2.7}(Si₆Al₂O₂₀)F_{1.5}(OH)_{2.5}.

373 Of the trace elements, Cs is mainly present in lepidolite (500–6000 ppm, Supplementary table 6),
374 whilst it does not exceed 100 ppm in muscovite and Li-Fe-Al-mica. Similarly, Ta (Fig. 9d) and W
375 have a positive correlation with Li, reaching 25–75 ppm Ta and 300–600 ppm W in lepidolite from the
376 Tregonning Granite and leucogranite sheet. Conversely, the highest content of Sn was found in
377 muscovite from the complex sheets (180–340 ppm) and the highest Nb in the Li-Fe-Al-mica from the
378 biotite granite dyke (120–350 ppm, Fig. 9e). Micas are the major host of Cs and W in all Megiligar
379 rocks, while their importance for the Sn-, Nb-, and Ta-budget of the rock is limited, consistent with the
380 findings for topaz granites across the region (Simons et al., 2017).

381 **Tourmaline** was found, with variable modal abundances, in all examined varieties of granite and
382 sheet rocks. It forms elongate grains less than 1 mm long in granites and aplites, but also up to 5–10
383 cm long and 1–2 mm wide thin needles in pegmatites. Higher abundances of tourmaline were found in
384 rock types and laminae relatively rich in K-feldspar and muscovite, while samples relatively enriched
385 in albite and lepidolite are usually tourmaline-poor. The tourmaline is mainly schorl and more rarely
386 foitite (Fig. 10a). The most Li-rich tourmaline, which was found in the leucogranite sheet is dark green
387 in colour, contains up to 0.7 apfu F (Supplementary table 7, Fig. 10b). Li is likely to occupy the Y-site

388 in the following proportions: $\square_{0.1}\text{Li}_{0.7}(\text{Fe}+\text{Mg}+\text{Mn})_{1.2}\text{Al}_1$ apfu (Fig. 10c). This tourmaline is alkaline
389 and poor in vacancies; it should be termed Li-rich fluor-schorl. Tourmaline in other rocks is mostly
390 black Li-F-poor schorl up to F-poor foitite. Tourmaline in the Tregonning Granite is usually zoned
391 with relatively F-Na-Al-Mn-rich and Fe-Mg-depleted rims. These data are consistent with previous
392 studies (London and Manning, 1995; Duchoslav et al., 2017).

393 In the finely banded rock domains (both #2015 and #4965), the contents of Fe, Mn, and Na in
394 tourmaline increase, while Mg, Ca, and vacancies decrease from the oldest to the youngest layers.
395 Some crystals are slightly zoned, often with schorl cores and slightly Li-F-enriched rims.

396 Schorl crystals with quartz cores were found in some aplite/pegmatite sheets in the central part of the
397 MSC (see images in the Supplementary material). Similar textures have been described from Roche
398 Rock, St. Austell (Müller et al., 2005). This tourmaline is slightly chemically zoned (with relatively
399 Fe-rich and Mg-poor rims), but is generally low in Li and F. The Li and F contents of tourmaline
400 generally show a positive correlation with those in mica.

401 Among the trace elements (Supplementary table 8) in the tourmaline, Sn correlates strongly with Li
402 reaching 60–130 ppm in fluor-schorl from the leucogranite sheet (Fig. 10d), and Ta attains 5–8 ppm in
403 the leucogranite sheets. In contrast, the concentrations of W and Nb are generally very low: <0.5 ppm
404 and <5 ppm, respectively, consistent with recent studies by Duchoslav et al. (2017) and Simons et al.
405 (2017). Niobium and Ta in tourmaline, as in micas, are decoupled: Ta is preferentially enriched in
406 fluor-schorl from the leucogranite sheets and in schorl from the youngest layer #6 in the fine-layered
407 aplite #4965, while Nb prevails in tourmaline from all other locations. Levels of Zn in tourmaline vary
408 mostly between 400 and 600 ppm with some outliers down to 150 and up to 700 ppm, but with little
409 systematic difference between rock types. Gallium concentrations are highly variable (70–350 ppm),
410 with the highest concentrations (>200 ppm) found in tourmaline from the leucogranite sheets and in
411 the latest layer #6 of the sample #4965. The concentration of Be is usually <10 ppm, except in
412 tourmaline from leucogranite sheets where it reaches 30–50 ppm. Contents of Cs, Ge and In are low in
413 tourmaline from all rock types: <3 ppm, <5 ppm, <1 ppm, respectively.

414 **Fluoroapatite** appears to have crystallised relatively late in all rock types as it is interstitial and
415 anhedral. Apatite is enriched in Mn in the granites, reaching 0.2–0.3 apfu, and in the albite-rich

416 laminae of the layered rocks, with up to 0.52 apfu Mn (7.18 wt.% MnO). Amblygonite, which shows
417 limited alteration to montebasite along cleavage planes, was found occasionally in the leucogranite
418 sheets as aggregates of anhedral grains several mm across. Monazite and xenotime form scarce small
419 grains (usually ~20 µm, occasionally up to 100 µm) in all rock types. They are the major carriers of
420 REE.

421 **Rutile** forms small anhedral grains which show irregular or patchy zonation (in SEM-BSE mode) and
422 contain inclusions of columbite, ixiolite or tantalite (Fig. 11a,b,c). Rarely, intergrowths of rutile and
423 cassiterite were found (Fig. 11d). Rutile, which is enriched in W and slightly in Nb (up to 6.1 wt.%
424 WO₃ and 1.6 wt.% Nb₂O₅), was often found as inclusions in micas in the biotite granite dyke. It is the
425 only Nb, W-bearing mineral in this rock. Rutile, which is strongly enriched in Nb and Ta (up to 17
426 wt.% Nb₂O₅, 36 wt.% Ta₂O₅), and appears together with Fe-columbite in the Tregonning Granite,
427 complex sheets and aplite-pegmatites (Fig. 12a), locally contains up to 0.7 wt.% Sc₂O₃ and 1 wt.%
428 WO₃ (Supplementary table 9).

429 **Columbite-group minerals** form 100–200 µm long needle-like crystals (Fig. 11e, f) or smaller (<30
430 µm) anhedral inclusions in rutile (Fig. 11a, c). They typically have a Ta/(Nb+Ta) ratio <0.5, i.e. the
431 mineral can be classified as **columbite**. The Mn/(Fe+Mn) value strongly varies not only among
432 samples, but also within a single grain. Generally, columbite-Mn is more common in the granites and
433 complex sheets, while columbite-Fe prevails in aplite-pegmatite sheets (Fig. 12b). Fe-columbite
434 contains 0.5–1 wt.% Sc₂O₃ and 2–10 wt.% WO₃. Columbite-like grains with >10 wt.% WO₃ (up to
435 30.7 wt.% WO₃) are classified as “**ixiolite**”, however it is difficult to confirm this without more
436 crystal-chemical information. The W-rich grains (domains in complex grains) are relatively Nb- and
437 Fe-rich (Figs. 12b, c). **Tantalite-Mn** was found only as one small crystal included in rutile in the
438 Tregonning Granite (Fig. 11b).

439 **Cassiterite** occurs as scarce subhedral grains in complex sheets (#5304), locally associated with rutile
440 (Fig. 11d). It is poor in minor elements (>97.8 wt% SnO₂) containing only traces of Nb and Fe.

441 **Wolframite** forms small (≈20 µm) anhedral grains in some samples from complex sheets (#2015,
442 5304). It is poor in minor elements (usually <1 wt.% Nb₂O₅+Ta₂O₅+Sc₂O₃), with only one grain
443 containing 4.3 wt.% Nb₂O₅, 2.6 wt.% Ta₂O₅ and 1 wt.% SnO₂.

444 **Monazite** and **xenotime** (Fig. 11g), major hosts of REE, are scarce, but were found in all rock types.
445 **Uraninite**, which forms both euhedral and anhedral grains up to 50 µm across, is quite common and is
446 usually rimmed by **pyrite** (Fig. 13h, i). Within the finely banded aplite (#4965) it was found as
447 inclusions in columbite and zircon (Fig. 11j).
448 **Zircon** is a rare accessory mineral in all rock types, as indicated from low WR Zr values, but rare
449 euhedral grains, 10-20 µm across, were found in all samples (Fig. 11f). Numerous inclusions of
450 uraninite were found in some zircon grains from the fine-layered aplite (Fig. 11j, k). Zircon is
451 relatively poor in trace elements (usually $Y_2O_3 < 0.6$ wt.%, $Yb_2O_3 < 0.3$ wt.%, $ThO_2 < 0.3$ wt.%,
452 Supplementary table 10), with unique values of 5.46 wt.% UO_2 , 0.40 wt.% ThO_2 , 1.89 wt.% Y_2O_3
453 and 0.49 wt.% Yb_2O_3 (Fig. 13). Hf contents are highly variable, ranging from 1.5–8.9 wt.% HfO_2
454 (0.013–0.082 apfu Hf); the highest values were found within the rims of some crystals from the
455 leucogranite sheets (Fig. 11k). Zircon from the aplite-pegmatite sheets has generally lower Zr/Hf
456 values and lower contents of trace elements than zircon from the complex sheets (Fig. 13). Zircon
457 from the biotite granite dyke is chemically uniform having intermediate Zr/Hf values (≈ 50) and low
458 contents of all trace elements. All zircon types are free of the “ore elements” Nb, Ta, W, Bi, and Cu.
459 Magmatic **fluorite** was found occasionally in some finely banded rock samples. Sulphides
460 (**arsenopyrite** (Fig. 11i) >> **sphalerite**, **galena**, **bismuthinite**, **molybdenite**) and **native Bi** were found
461 in some aplite-pegmatite sheets.

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463 **7. Discussion**

464 The origin of layered albite-pegmatite sheets, which can include finely-banded aplites (line rock,
465 Schaller, 1925), is an intriguing petrogenetic question which has broad implications for the genesis of
466 pegmatites. Sheets containing fine-grained “aplitic” (usually in the lower half) and coarse-grained
467 “pegmatitic” textures (usually in the upper half) have been explained previously as having both
468 metasomatic (Schaller, 1925; Stone, 1969), and magmatic origins (Jahns and Tuttle, 1963; Webber et
469 al., 1997; London, 2014). The MSC exposures at Megiligar Rocks provide an excellent locality for
470 testing these hypotheses. Our discussions focus on the relationship between the sheets and the nearby
471 Tregonning Granite, mainly whether the sheets were formed from relatively evolved melt segregations

472 within the roof of the Tregonning Granite. Differentiation of initially homogeneous granitic melt to
473 Na-Li-F- and K-B-enriched portions was the main process determining the diversity of sheet rocks.
474 This Na-Li-F vs. K-B differentiation was manifested at two scales: (i) between the Tregonning Granite
475 and MSC; and (ii) within the aplite-pegmatite banding of individual sheets.

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477 **7.1 MSC rocks as fractionated equivalents of the Tregonning Granite; large-scale Na-Li-F vs. K-** 478 **B differentiation**

479 All previous authors agree unequivocally that there is a link between the Tregonning Granite and the
480 MSC. Hosking (1952) interpreted the MSC as having a purely magmatic origin, with aplite and
481 pegmatite sheets (including layers or laminae in the sheets) forming by repeated injections of the same
482 primary magma which varied episodically in its water and volatile contents. Later, Stone (1969, 1975,
483 1992) proposed a combination of magmatic and metasomatic processes, with initial formation of the
484 aplites by crystallisation of residual melts from the Tregonning Granite, followed by subsolidus
485 metasomatic recrystallization of the aplites to pegmatites and replacement of albite by K-feldspar. This
486 view was based on the observation that the aplitic parts of the sheets were more mineralogically and
487 chemically similar to the Tregonning Granite than the pegmatitic portions. The development of banded
488 aplite-pegmatite sheets has also been interpreted to be a consequence of repeated melt decompression
489 during fracture propagation accompanying xenolith separation (Bromley and Holl, 1986; Bromley,
490 1989). During decompression, volatile exsolution drove the residual melt towards the solidus,
491 resulting in rapid nucleation and crystallization of aplite; the exsolved hydrous fluid trapped above the
492 aplite contributed to the development of a complementary pegmatite layer.

493 From our textural and chemical data we suggest a dominantly magmatic origin for all MSC rock types;
494 however, interpretation of the WR chemical data is not straightforward. Nevertheless, the Na vs. K
495 differentiation, mineralogically expressed in albite vs. K-feldspar enriched domains is well
496 documented. In an eastwards traverse from the margin of the Tregonning Granite, through the
497 leucogranite sheets and complex sheets to the aplite-pegmatite sheets, there are conspicuous changes
498 in some major and trace element concentrations (Table 1): Na₂O decreases from 3.3–4.3 to 1.9–2.9
499 wt.%, F decreases from 0.9–1.4 to 0.2–0.6 wt.%, Li₂O decreases from 0.23–0.41 to 0.01–0.03 wt.%,

500 Rb decreases from 530–1830 ppm to 360–760 ppm, and Cs from 88–253 ppm to 17–33 ppm. In
501 contrast, K_2O in the same direction increases from 3.3–4.5 to 3.5–6.1 wt.%. The concentration of B, as
502 evident from the abundance of tourmaline, also increases eastwards, but chemical data for this element
503 are not available. The contents of Si, Al, Fe and P remain fairly constant, and the HFSE are variable
504 but show no obvious trends.

505 According to the K/Rb ratio, the most common index for magmatic fractionation, the leucogranite
506 sheets (K/Rb=19) are more evolved than the Tregonning Granite (K/Rb=31), which is consistent with
507 their interpretation as a product of crystallization of residual melt sourced from the Tregonning
508 Granite roof zone. The lepidolite-bearing complex sheets show K/Rb values only slightly higher than
509 the leucogranites (K/Rb=30–44), and have slightly lower contents of Li, Rb, and F, indicating that
510 they may also represent fractionated equivalents of the Tregonning Granite melt, notwithstanding
511 fracture-controlled partial escape of Li-F-bearing fluids into the surrounding host rocks. Conversely,
512 the chemical composition of tourmaline-muscovite dominated aplite-pegmatite sheets is less evolved
513 than the Tregonning Granite having relatively low Rb-contents (high K/Rb=58–94) and extremely low
514 F, Li, and Cs abundances.

515 The complex sheets and aplite-pegmatite sheets have highly variable mobile alkalis and fluorine
516 compositions. Lower contents of the rare alkalis in the distal parts of the sheet system may be
517 explained by variable fluid escape from the crystallizing melt. Enrichment of the Mylor Slate
518 Formation in the exocontact, previously noted by Stone and Awad (1988), may have been controlled
519 by fractures now represented by steeply dipping aplite/pegmatite sheets (Fig. 2g). However, this does
520 not explain the relative B enrichment in the distal aplite-pegmatite sheets. In the proximal part of the
521 MSC (Fig. 1b), both Li-F-bearing tourmaline and mica crystallized late in the leucogranites, due to
522 low levels of Fe in the melt. In the middle part of the MSC, in the complex sheets, crystallization of
523 tourmaline precedes the crystallization of Li-F-micas. Tourmaline was the first Fe-bearing mineral in
524 which the melt became saturated; this demonstrates a relatively high abundance of B and Fe in the
525 melt at the beginning of the crystallization. Mica crystallized later, when F was sufficiently
526 concentrated in the residual melt. In the distal MSC, within the aplite-pegmatite sheets, B
527 predominates over F, even though its fluid/melt partition coefficient is distinctly higher than that of

528 fluorine. Thus, the eastwards proximal to distal decrease in F was not a result of its partitioning into a
529 fluid and escape to the slates, but a consequence of its consumption by the relatively late
530 crystallization of F-minerals (topaz?) in the proximal and central parts of the MSC. The last portion of
531 melt, filling the distal parts of the sheet system, was F-poor, but still had sufficient B for tourmaline
532 saturation, with Fe scavenged from the slate host rocks.

533 Variations in Nb- and Ta-contents and Nb/Ta ratios are often used as indicators of the degree of
534 granite and pegmatite melt evolution and/or zoning (Ballouard et al., 2016). Tantalite has a higher
535 solubility in peraluminous granite melts at low temperature relative to columbite (e.g. Linnen and
536 Keppler, 1997), which commonly results in the melt evolving from Fe–Nb- to Mn–Ta-enriched end-
537 members of the columbite group (Černý et al., 1985; London, 2008). Moreover, the crystallisation of
538 micas also aids in the decoupling of Nb and Ta within a peraluminous melt, with Nb preferentially
539 partitioning into biotite compared with Ta; the latter is strongly partitioned into residual F-bearing
540 melts (e.g. Stepanov and Hermann, 2013). Nevertheless, changes in the Nb/Ta ratio are also
541 influenced by a succession of coprecipitating minerals (oxides, micas, tourmaline) and the combined
542 effects of Li, Na, B, F, and P in the melt or fluid phase (e.g., Johan and Johan, 1994; Belkasmī et al.,
543 2000; Novák et al., 2003; Van Lichtervelde et al., 2006; Wise et al., 2012). In the MSC, fluorine
544 presumably remained in pockets of residual melt until the crystallisation of topaz (e.g. Figs. 4, 5), with
545 Ta therefore concentrated within the last layers to crystallise, while Nb is more evenly distributed
546 throughout the rocks. However, in examining larger volume WR samples (Figs. 14a, b), the Nb/Ta
547 ratio is scattered between 1–7 independent of rock type and Li- and F-content. In micas and
548 tourmaline (Figs. 14c-f) the Nb- and Ta-contents and the Nb/Ta ratio are highly variable within
549 individual samples, but the general trend is to relative Ta-enrichment in Li-enriched grains and/or the
550 outer zones of crystals. We conclude that WR Nb/Ta ratios in Megiliggarr rocks were controlled by the
551 order of crystallization and relative amounts of oxides vs. silicate carriers and, in this case, can not
552 serve as a marker of melt fractionation.

553 The mineralogy of the different MSC rock types reflects their WR compositions, with the leucogranite
554 sheets and complex sheets containing lepidolite, relatively high P-contents in both feldspars and Rb in
555 K-feldspar, and higher Li and Fe/Mg in tourmaline. These signatures are characteristic of “evolved” or

556 “highly fractionated” rocks, comparable with peraluminous tin granites in the Erzgebirge (Förster et
557 al., 1999; Breiter et al., 2005) and France (Raimbault et al., 1995), and LCT pegmatites (London,
558 2008). In contrast, the aplite-pegmatite sheets, which contain Li-F-poor muscovite, and often schorl,
559 are chemically and mineralogically more primitive. However, all rock-types show nearly identical and
560 low (12–21) WR Zr/Hf values, which are generally indicative of high degrees of fractionation
561 (Hanchar and Hoskin, 2003; Breiter and Škoda, 2017). The zircon Zr/Hf value (Fig.13) is consistent
562 with WR Zr/Hf data and zircon from the aplite/pegmatite sheets is at least as strongly differentiated as
563 zircon from the complex sheets and is more fractionated than zircon from the Tregonning Granite.
564 The field relations and geochemical similarity indicate a direct link between the Tregonning Granite
565 and the MSC. The textural and mineral diversity in the sheets, from proximal to distal, eastwards
566 across the study area, was caused by Na-Li-F vs. K-B fractionation, where the K-B-rich portion of
567 melt (fluid) could migrate more effectively to the distal part of the crystallizing magmatic system.
568 However, the Zr/Hf value, unaffected by this fractionation, is similar across the whole MDC,
569 demonstrating a uniform magmatic source.

570 The composition of the biotite granite dyke is distinctive and does not follow the aforementioned
571 trends; this lithology does not appear to form part of the MSC. Instead, it is likely to be an expression
572 of earlier magmatism petrogenetically linked to the Godolphin Granite (two mica) or biotite granite
573 porphyry (‘elvan’) dykes (see Simons et al., 2016).

574 The suggestion that the easternmost distal expression of the MSC is represented by quartz veins linked
575 directly to aplite-pegmatite sheets (Hosking, 1952; Badham, 1980; Bromley, 1989) is refuted; we think
576 that this assertion was based on miscorrelation of the easternmost MSC sheets with pre-granite
577 subhorizontal quartz veins contained within the S3 cleavage. The similar orientation of the MSC
578 sheets and these quartz veins reflects the influence of the mechanical anisotropy imparted by the S3
579 cleavage on the propagation of fractures controlling emplacement of the MSC.

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581 **7.2 Local Na-Li-F vs. K-B fractionation within layered sheets**

582 The complex sheets and aplite-pegmatite sheets within the MSC differ from the majority of common
583 pegmatite sheets having a more complex structure, often appearing to have formed as a result of

584 multiple melt injections. The banding almost certainly originated via *in situ* fractionation, as crystals
585 grew upwards; in combination with the emplacement of younger narrow melt injections which
586 crystallized from both contacts inwards (compare Hosking, 1952). This feature was encountered in
587 both complex sheets and aplite-pegmatites. Crystallization within most single sheets (or sheet
588 domains), i.e. formed from a single injection of melt, is comparable with other examples of pegmatite
589 sheets (Weber et al., 1997; London et al., 2012).

590 Samples #4965 and #2015 represent parts of *in situ* crystallized layered sequences, at an appropriate
591 layer scale for detailed investigation. Sample #4965 (Fig. 5, Supplementary table 2) represents a fine-
592 grained (aplitic) part of an aplite-pegmatite sheet which is albite-poor and dominated by quartz, K-
593 feldspar, muscovite and tourmaline. The composition of individual laminae can be traced effectively
594 from the Qtz–Kfs ratio, but without any general evolutionary trend (Fig. 15a). The abundance of
595 tourmaline varies between 4.1–9.8 vol.% (ca. 0.4–1.0 wt.% B₂O₃). The younger laminae #4→6
596 contain 1–2 vol.% apatite (up to 1 wt.% P₂O₅). The melt, from which layers #1→5 crystallized, was B-
597 and P-rich, but relatively F-poor (<0.15 wt.%), and only the youngest lamina #6 reaches nearly 5 wt.%
598 F due to crystallization of common topaz from the residual liquid or from a new injection of F-rich
599 melt/fluid. In any case, the crystallised rock composition lies away from the granite minima (Johannes
600 and Holtz, 1996, Fig. 15b).

601 Sample #2015 (Fig. 4, Supplementary table 1) represents a finely banded portion of a Li-F-bearing
602 complex sheet. Its mineral composition is more complex than in the previous case, with bands
603 dominated by K-feldspar, tourmaline and muscovite alternating with those strongly enriched in albite
604 and zinnwaldite. The oldest portion of the layered sequence, lines #1→7, evolved systematically from
605 a Qtz-Kfs-rich composition towards the Ab-apex of the Qtz-Ab-Kfs diagram (16→72 wt.% Ab, Figs.
606 4, 15a). The bands have variable compositions, but the general trend towards Ab-enrichment is
607 obvious. The computed volatile content varies between 0→1.6 wt.% B₂O₃, 0.2→0.8 wt.% P₂O₅, and
608 0.1→2.4 wt.% F. Although B generally decreases along this trend, P levels remain unchanged and F,
609 Li and Rb increase (Fig. 9c). Here, it should be noted that the sample does not really represent the
610 mean of the whole banded sheet, but only a partial section; the real composition of the injected melt
611 may be different.

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613 **7.3 Comparison with similar aplite-pegmatite sheets**

614 The first model for the generation of layered aplite-pegmatite sheets was developed by Jahns and
615 Tuttle (1963), which was based on a study of miarolitic pegmatites in San Diego County, California.
616 The authors described a typical arrangement of “sodic aplite” in lower, and “potassic pegmatite” in the
617 upper parts of horizontal sheets with inward crystallization of both facies which finished in the central
618 pocket zone. Later, London et al. (2012) and London (2014) confirmed the common position of (often
619 layered) aplitic domains in the lower part, and pegmatitic domains in the upper part of many
620 horizontal pegmatite sheets, but questioned their dominantly sodic vs. potassic character. Another,
621 rhythmic style of layering, expressed as alternations of 0.5–2 m thick K-feldspar and tourmaline-
622 dominated pegmatite and albite-rich aplite layers, has been reported from the B-rich Calamity Peak
623 layered pluton (Duke et al., 1992).

624 The evolution of the banded sequences in the MSC is comparable with the George Ashley Block
625 (GAB) pegmatite, Pala district, California (Weber et al., 1997). The mean composition of the granite
626 sheet and complex sheets from Megiliggar is only slightly Ab-enriched in comparison with the mean
627 of the GAB pegmatite, which may be explained by a higher content of F in the Megiliggar sheets (Fig.
628 15b). The composition of the oldest band in the sample #2015 and the WR #4965 is nearly identical to
629 the composition of the K-rich portions of the GAB pegmatite, located in its central-upper parts, while
630 the mean of the late fine-layered portion of sample #2015 is equal to the composition of the finely
631 banded aplitic portion of the GAB pegmatite (Webber et al., 1997; Fig. 15b). Therefore, the banded
632 portions of the MSC we have studied experienced the same differentiation as the whole George
633 Ashley Block pegmatite dyke. In both localities, both contrasting rock facies (Na+F+Li vs. K+B-
634 enriched) are adjacent in a single sheet, together having logically expected compositions near the
635 “granitic minimum” of a slightly B-, resp. F-enriched melt (Manning, 1981; Pichavant, 1987; Fig.
636 15b).

637 Weber et al. (1999) and London et al. (2012) concluded that crystallization of finely banded aplite
638 (“line rock”) to give a water- and fluxes-poor mineral assemblage near the lower contact of the sheets

639 was likely due to undercooling, whereas accumulation of volatiles in the upper parts of the sheet
640 decreased the degree of undercooling and promoted crystallization from a flux-enriched boundary-
641 layer, i.e. crystallization of rare minerals and grainsize coarsening. At Megiliggar, this process is
642 expressed in complex sheets which show a transition from muscovite-bearing aplite through to Li-F-
643 mica-bearing aplite to coarse-grained sheet domains bearing Li-F-mica and tourmaline. In the aplite-
644 pegmatites, the increase in F and Li during crystallization of the aplitic unit was minimal, but their
645 influence was superseded by increasing abundances of water and boron. Repeated sudden
646 decompression followed by exsolution of fluid driving such grainsize changes might be driven by
647 repeated fracture propagation during the lateral growth and inflation of the MSC (Weber et al., 1997;
648 London, 2008) rather than xenolith separation (Bromley and Holl, 1986; Bromley, 1989). In such
649 conditions, the growth rate of K-feldspar is higher than that of quartz and albite (Swanson, 1977): this
650 is well demonstrated in layers 1→7 of sample #2015, although the initial dominance of K-feldspar was
651 superseded, in a stepwise fashion, by albite. Similar, although not so significant, is the evolution in
652 lines 11→13, 15→17 and 20→22.

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654 **7.4 Possible implications for models of pegmatite genesis**

655 Among recent models for the genesis of pegmatites, the complex model by London (for example
656 London, 2008, 2014) and model based on the study of melt inclusions by Thomas (for example
657 Thomas et al., 2006; Thomas and Davidson, 2012, 2013) are the best constrained and often discussed,
658 including mutual discussion of both authors (London, 2015; Thomas and Davidson, 2015). In a very
659 simplistic way, London explained the specific features of pegmatites as crystallisation products of
660 peraluminous water-undersaturated melts via the boundary layer effect, while Thomas and Davidson
661 prefer crystallization from immiscible hydrous peralkaline melt. Detail discussion of the mentioned
662 models is beyond the scope of this article, but we would like to stress the importance of our findings
663 from Megiliggar, which we feel should be considered in any future models for pegmatite genesis.

664 The evidence from outcrops at Megiligar, and our detail mineralogical studies, suggests an intimate
665 coexistence of “granite”, “aplite” and “pegmatite” rocks of similar mineral and chemical composition,
666 differing only in grain size and texture. We did not find any evidence of abrupt changes in mineral and
667 chemical composition, though sudden changes in texture, from pegmatitic to aplitic varieties, and vice
668 versa, are common. In other words, an evolved peraluminous granitic melt may repeatedly change in
669 its style of crystallization from granitic to aplitic and pegmatitic without any abrupt changes in
670 chemical or mineral composition. The factors controlling granitic or pegmatitic styles of evolution
671 (water and volatile contents? undercooling? fluctuation of pressure?) changed gradually, smoothly,
672 and were reversible.

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674 **8. Conclusions**

675 Chemical and mineralogical data together with a gradual change in prevailing textures suggests a
676 strong genetic link between the Tregonning Granite and MSC. The lithologies within the MSC formed
677 from residual melt escaping from the Tregonning Granite. This melt was strongly peraluminous and,
678 in comparison with other Cornish granites, rich in F, Li, Rb, Cs, Sn, W, Nb, Ta, and U, and poor in Fe,
679 Mg, Ca, Sr, Th, Zr, and REE.

680 During crystallization, the melt underwent differentiation into Na-Li-F-enriched vs. K-B-enriched
681 domains, which may be traced at two scales: (i) in finely banded sequences where the K-B-enriched
682 layers evolved into more Na-Li-F-enriched ones, and (ii) generally, the Na-Li-F-enriched proximal
683 leucogranite sheets pass gradually into K-B-dominated distal aplite-pegmatites. The mean composition
684 of the sheets is similar to the eutectic composition of leucocratic granitic melts saturated in water and
685 slightly enriched in F and B. Differentiation to fine-grained (i.e. aplitic) and coarse-grained (i.e.
686 pegmatitic) layers was most probably forced by repeated decompression and undercooling due to
687 fracture propagation during the lateral growth and inflation of the MSC system.

688 With distance from the contact with the parental Tregonning Granite, the melt became depleted in the
689 fluxing and volatile elements F, Li, Rb, and Cs, probably due to escape of fluid to surrounding slates

690 or via fractures, but the Zr/Hf value in all rock types remains virtually unchanged indicating derivation
691 from a single parental magma source.

692 Knowledge gained at Megiliggarr Rocks may help to better understand the chemical and mineralogical
693 evolution of large aplite-pegmatite systems and their relation to parental granite plutons. Mineral and
694 textural zoning, usually evolving from the contacts to the core of the pegmatite bodies, is at
695 Megiliggarr combined with a lateral transition from dominantly granitic to aplitic and pegmatitic
696 textures, chemically expressed in Na-F-Li vs. K-B differentiation. The combination of transversal and
697 longitudinal zoning in the Megiliggarr sheets may provoke similar studies in other well-exposed aplite-
698 pegmatite systems.

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913 **Tables**

914 **Table 1** Chemical composition of studied rocks (major elements in wt.%, trace elements in ppm)

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916 **Tables only as electronic appendices:**

917 Supplementary table 1 Modal (vol.%) and computed chemical (wt.%) composition of layered portion
918 of a complex sheet (sample#2015)

919 Supplementary table 2 Modal (vol.%) and computed chemical (wt.%) composition of layered portion
920 of an aplite-pegmatite sheet (sample#4965)

921 Supplementary table 3 Trace element concentrations in quartz (ppm) by LA-ICP-MS

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926 Supplementary table 8 Trace element contents in tourmaline (ppm) by LA-ICP-MS

927 Supplementary table 9 Chemical composition (wt.%, by EMPA) and empirical formulae of Ti, Sn, W,
928 Nb, Ta minerals

929 Supplementary table 10 Chemical composition (wt.%, by EMPA) and empirical formulae of zircon

930 Supplementary table 11 Detection limits of trace elements in the whole-rock analyses (ppm)

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933 **Explanation to figures**

934 **Fig. 1** A- Geological sketch map of granite plutons in Cornwall (acc. to Simons et al., 2016); B-
935 Schematic section through Megiliggarr Rocks showing the location of samples (not to scale). The total
936 length of the section is ca. 600 m. The sheets are likely to represent apophyses of residual melt which
937 escaped from the largely crystallized roof of the granite pluton. With increasing distance from the
938 Tregonning Granite, the silicate melt crystallized as homogeneous leucogranite sheets, banded
939 complex sheets (i.e. combinations bands with granitic, aplitic and pegmatitic textures), and layered
940 aplite-pegmatites. A gradual change in textures away from the granite margin, together with
941 similarities in whole-rock chemical compositions, provide strong evidence for a genetic link between
942 the Tregonning Granite and Megiliggarr Sheet Complex.

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944 **Fig. 2** Field photographs: **a**, cliff at Megiliggarr Rocks, western part of the major leucogranite sheets
945 (up to 2.5 m thick) laterally (to the right) passing into “complex sheets”; **b-e**, the textural evolution of
946 the sheets with increasing distance from the Tregonning Granite (from West to East):
947 Close to the granite the sheets are more or less homogeneous (leucocratic sheet granite). About 50 m
948 from the contact the first layered structures can be traced caused by a local enrichment in mica (b).
949 Further on (c. 75 m) grain-size differences between individual layers start to develop, in addition to the
950 local mica enrichments, and about 100 m away the first thin veinlets with pegmatitic textures appear
951 within the sheet (c). Further east the borders between the layers become more distinct; the differences
952 in the grain sizes of the aplitic, granitic and pegmatitic layers increases together with the thickness in
953 particular of the pegmatitic layers (d to e)." **f**, bifurcation of a thin (~30 cm) aplite-pegmatite sheet,
954 showing comb K-feldspar crystals along both the contact in the upper sheet vs. central position in the
955 lower sheet; **g**, steeply inclined, thin (~10–15 cm) aplite-pegmatite sheet cutting the slate in the eastern
956 part of the cliff.

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959 **Fig. 3** Rock textures: **a**, Tregonning granite (#5303); **b**, typical layering in the “complex sheets”
960 composed of granitic (G), pegmatitic (P) and aplitic (A) layers (#5305); **c**, aplite-pegmatite sheet with
961 aplitic layer near the contact and coarse-grained granite to pegmatite in the centre (# 5306 resp.

962 #5307); **d**, aplite-pegmatite sheet with pegmatitic (stockscheider-like) rim and aplitic centre. Contact
963 plane between the sheets and Mylor Slates is highlighted by arrows.

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965 **Fig. 4** Detailed investigation of a finely-banded portion of a complex sheet (sample 2015): left - photo
966 of an 18 cm wide cut sample face; Central - mineral map determined by TIMA (in the middle, Kfs (K-
967 feldspar)- red, Ab (Albite) – light blue, Qtz (Quartz) – dark blue, Msc (Muscovite) – pink, Zin
968 (Zinnwaldite) –brown, Tur (Tourmaline) – green), Rest – other accessory minerals; Right - mineral
969 composition of individual bands (vol.%). Crystallization of the rock proceeded upwards.

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971 **Fig. 5** Detail investigation of a tourmaline aplite (sample 4965): left - photo of a 12.5 cm wide sample
972 cut face; middle - mineral map determined by TIMA (Kfs (K-feldspar) – red, Ab (Albite) – light blue,
973 Qtz (Quartz) – dark blue, Msc (Muscovite) – pink, Tur (Tourmaline) – dark green, Toz (Topaz) –
974 black, Ap (Apatite) – yellow-green), Rest – other accessory minerals; Right - mineral composition of
975 individual bands (vol.%). The crystallization proceeded upwards.

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977 **Fig. 6** Approximate chemical composition of individual layers in finely banded rocks computed from
978 modal compositions and chemical analyses of minerals: **a**, distribution of selected elements across the
979 layering (#2015); **b**, K_2O vs. Na_2O ; **c**, B_2O_3 vs. F; **d**, FeO vs. B. Mean values of the whole samples are
980 highlighted by red marks in diagrams b–d.

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982 **Fig. 7** Whole-rock compositions of studied rocks. In diagram f, only typical analyses are shown. Note
983 the tetrad effect in Fig. e! Contents of some of the REE in the sheet leucogranite are below the
984 detection limits of ICP-MS.

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986 **Fig. 8** Trace elements in quartz: **a**, Al vs. Ti; **b**, Al/Ti vs. Li; **c**, Al/Ti vs. Ge. Data from Variscan
987 granites (I-, S-, A-types, Breiter et al. 2013) and pegmatites (muscovite to lepidolite types, Breiter et
988 al. 2014) from the Bohemian Massif are shown for comparison.

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990 **Fig. 9** Chemical composition of micas: **a**, Si vs. Fe; **b**, Si vs. F; **c**, composition of micas (means of 4–5
991 EMPA analyses) across the finely banded portion of a complex sheet (sample#2015); **d**, Li vs. Ta; **e**,
992 Li vs. Nb. In diagrams a–b, three groups of micas are highlighted: I, zinnwaldite–trilithionite series; II,
993 muscovite–phengite series; III, altered (?) Li-Fe-Al mica.

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995 **Fig. 10** Chemical composition of tourmaline: **a**, $\text{Fe}/(\text{Mg}+\text{Fe})$ vs. $\square/(\square+\text{Na}+\text{K})$ (apfu); **b**, F vs.
996 $\square/(\square+\text{Na}+\text{K})$ (apfu); **c**, occupation of the Y-site (apfu); **d**, Li vs. Sn (ppm).

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998 **Fig. 11** BSE-images of minerals: **a**, Nb-Ta-rich rutile (grey) with inclusions of W-rich Fe-columbite
999 (bright), #2015, in banded rock; **b**, patchy zoned Nb-Ta-enriched rutile (grey) with small crystals of
1000 tantalite (bright), #5303, in Tregonning granite; **c**, rutile with inclusions of columbite and ixiolite,
1001 #4964, in composite granite/pegmatite sheet; **d**, intergrowth of cassiterite (bright) and rutile (dark
1002 grey), #5304, in granitic part of the composite granite/pegmatite sheet; **e**, needle-like crystals of Mn-
1003 columbite with Ta-enriched rims in Li-mica, #4963, in leucocratic sheet granite; **f**, crystals of Fe-
1004 columbite (light grey with bright zones) in association with two colander-like zircon crystals, #5302,
1005 in coarse grained tourmaline-bearing sheet granite; **g**, monazite (Mnz) associated with xenotime (Xen),
1006 zircon (Zrn), Mn-rich apatite (Ap), pyrite (Py) and tourmaline (Tur) in quartz, #2015, in banded rock;
1007 **h**, crystal of uraninite (bright) rimmed by pyrite in quartz, #2015, in banded rock; **i**, grain of uraninite
1008 (bright) with thin rim of pyrite associated with a Nb, Y-phase, #5307, in pegmatitic core of composite
1009 aplite/pegmatite sheet; **j**, central part of an altered zircon grain contains numerous inclusions of
1010 uraninite while its rim is inclusions free, #4965, in tourmaline-rich banded rock; **k**, zoned zircon with
1011 Hf-enriched rim, in leucocratic sheet granite, #4963; **l**, zoned crystal of arsenopyrite, #2015, in banded
1012 rock. White scale bars in all cases 50 μm .

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1014 **Fig. 12** Nb-Ta-Sn-W-oxide cross plots: **a**, Nb vs. Ta in rutile; **b**, columbite classification diagram; **c**,
1015 W vs. $\text{Mn}/(\text{Fe}+\text{Mn})$ in columbite and “ixiolite”. Coloured symbols = columbite, empty symbols =
1016 ixiolite.

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1018 **Fig. 13** Relation between the Zr/Hf ratios and U concentrations in zircon (using data also from Breiter
1019 et al., 2016).

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1021 **Fig. 14** Variation in the Nb/Ta ratio at Megiliggarr Rocks: **a**, Nb/Ta vs. F in whole rocks; **b**, Nb/Ta vs.
1022 Li_2O in whole rocks; **c**, Nb vs. Ta in micas; **d**, Li vs. Nb/Ta in micas; **e**, Nb vs. Ta in tourmaline; **f**, Li
1023 vs. Nb/Ta in tourmaline.

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1025 **Fig. 15a** Composition of whole rocks and individual bands in banded rocks in the Qtz-Ab-Kfs
1026 triangle. Note systematic evolution of the lower (older) part of the sample #2015: systematic shift to
1027 the Ab-apex from line 1 to 7 (red arrow). Later zones, poorer in Kfs, scatter along the Qtz-Ab join.
1028 Sample #4965 represents the aplite-pegmatite melt with rather chaotic zoning; **b** Composition of
1029 proposed starting melt (Tregonning granite) and the Megiliggarr sheet rocks computed according to
1030 whole-rock chemical data and EMPA of rock-forming minerals (sample 2015 acc. to modal analyse by
1031 TIMA). Three typical compositions of the George Ashley pegmatite (layered aplite rich in Ab, whole
1032 dyke, granular pegmatite rich in Kfs) acc. to Webber et al. (1997) and water-saturated leucogranitic
1033 solidus with 1 wt.% added F, resp. B (Manning, 1981 resp. Pichavant, 1987) are also shown for
1034 comparison.

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1036 Additional rock and mineral images in electronic form are available as a “Supplementary image pdf-
1037 file”

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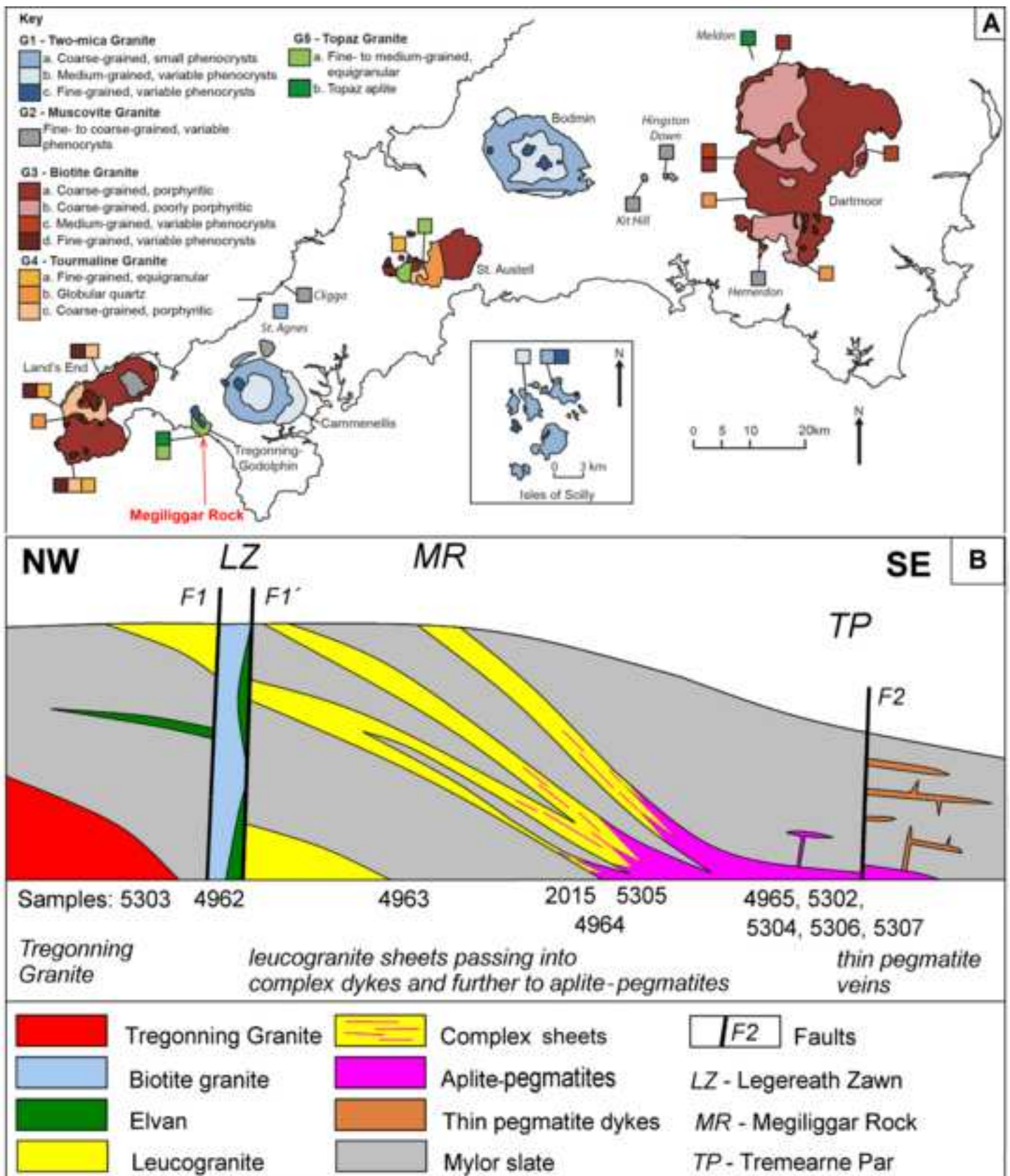


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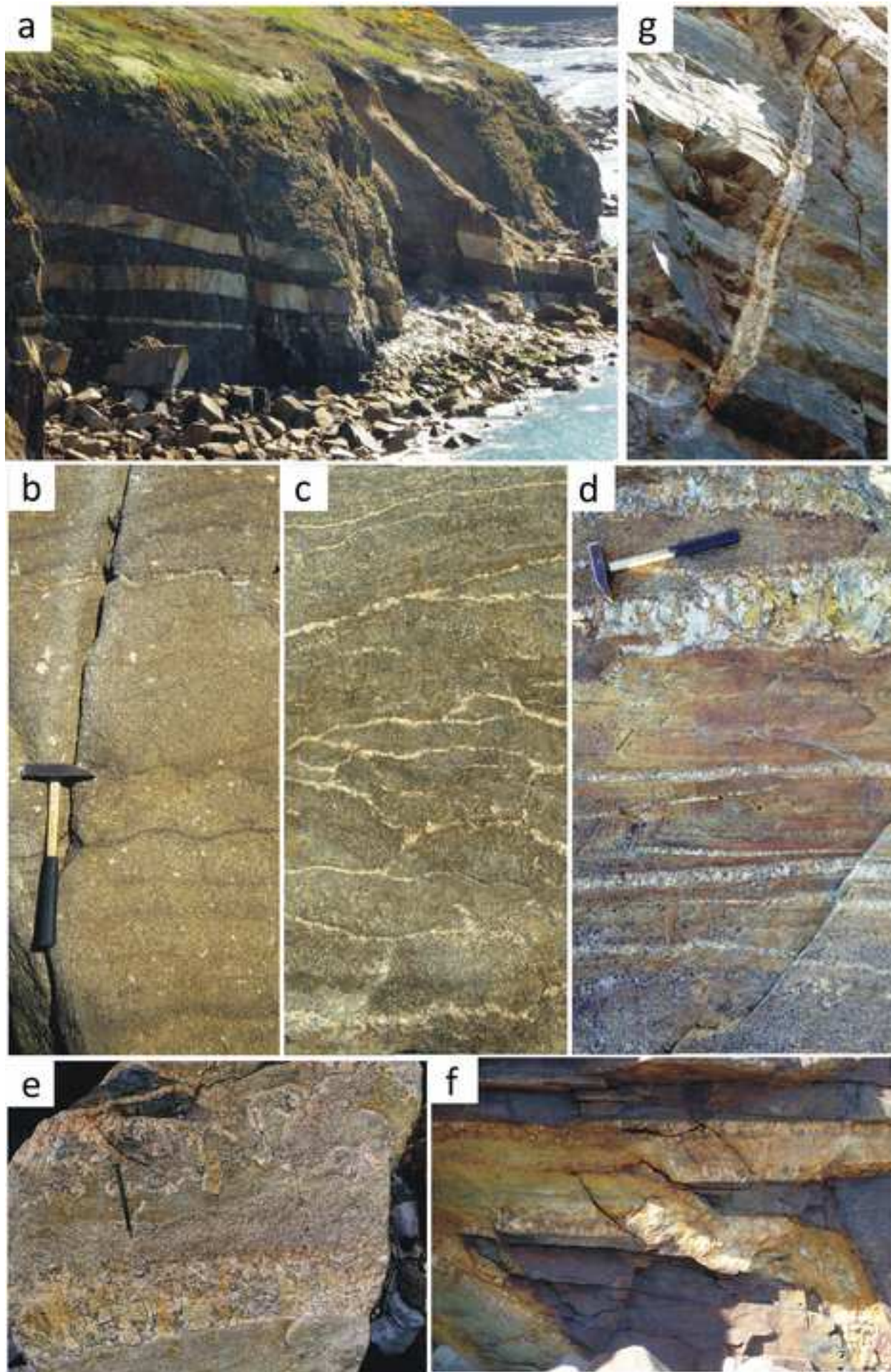


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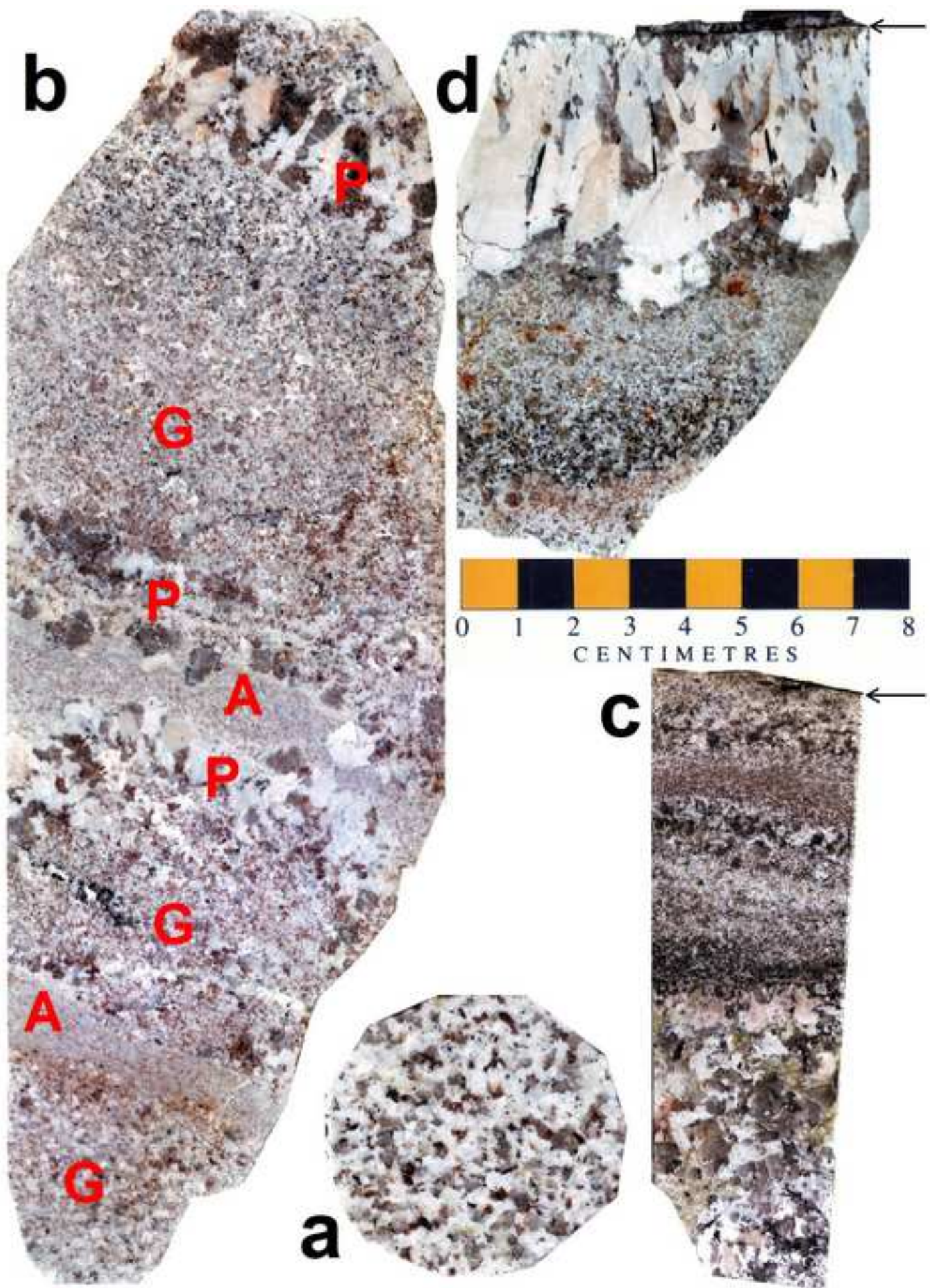


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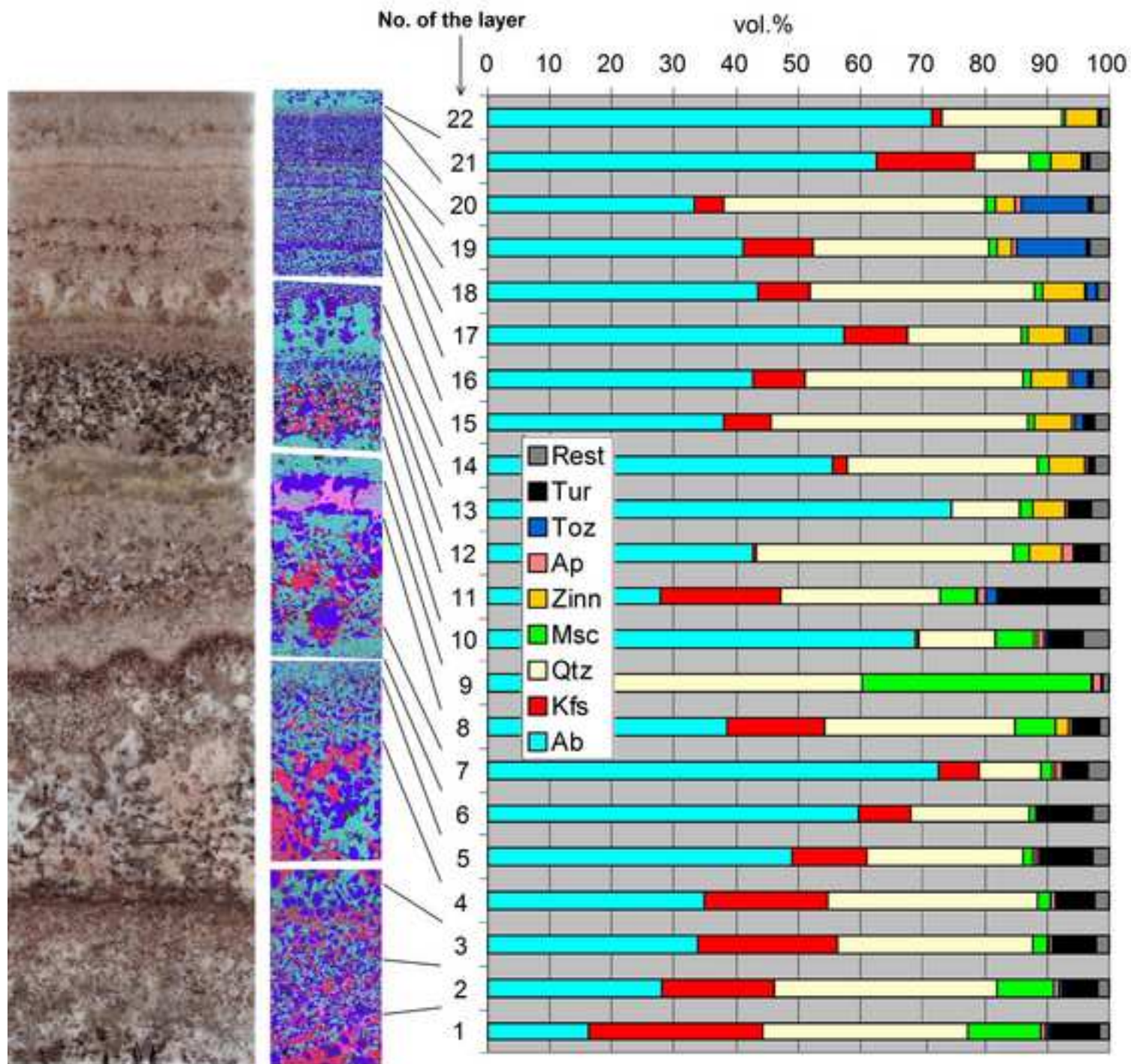


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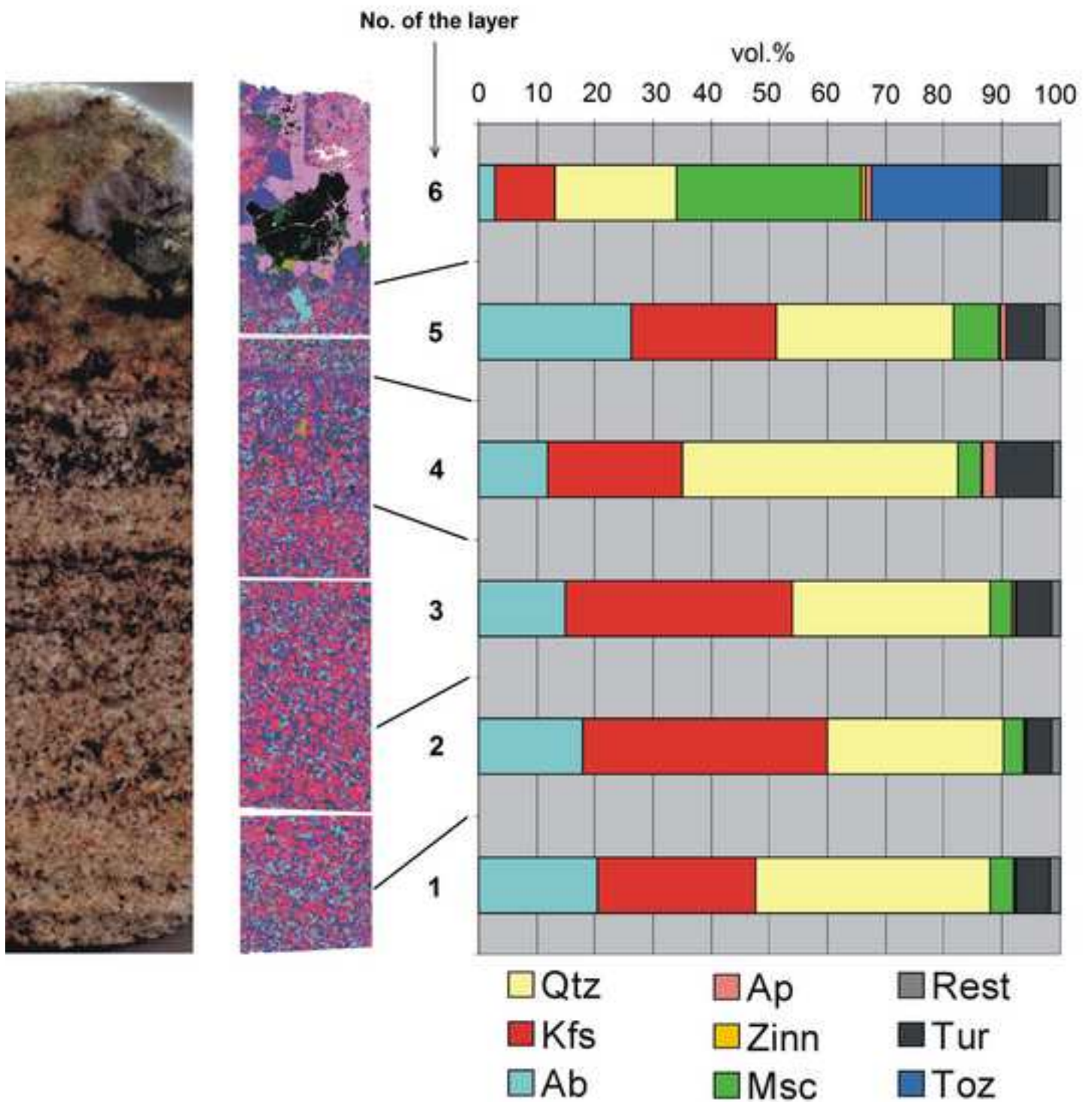


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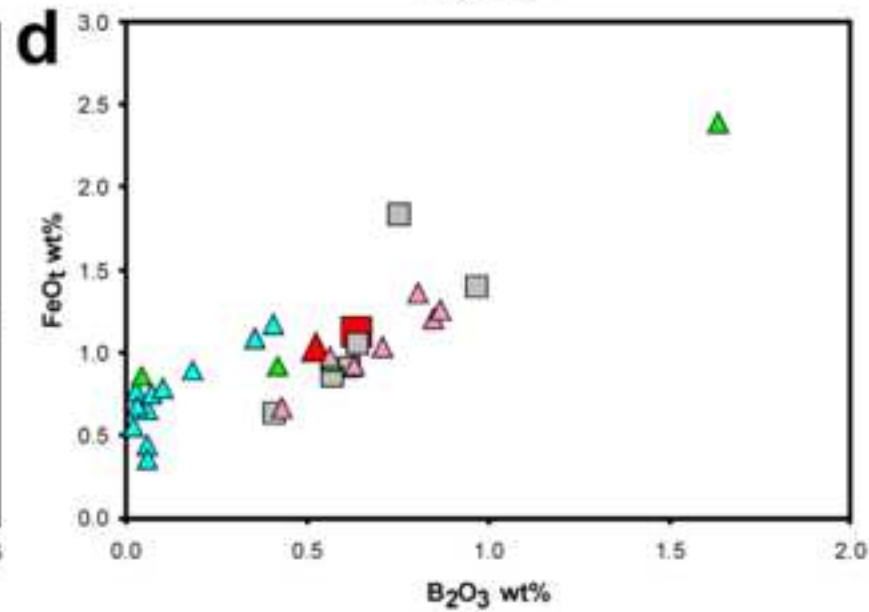
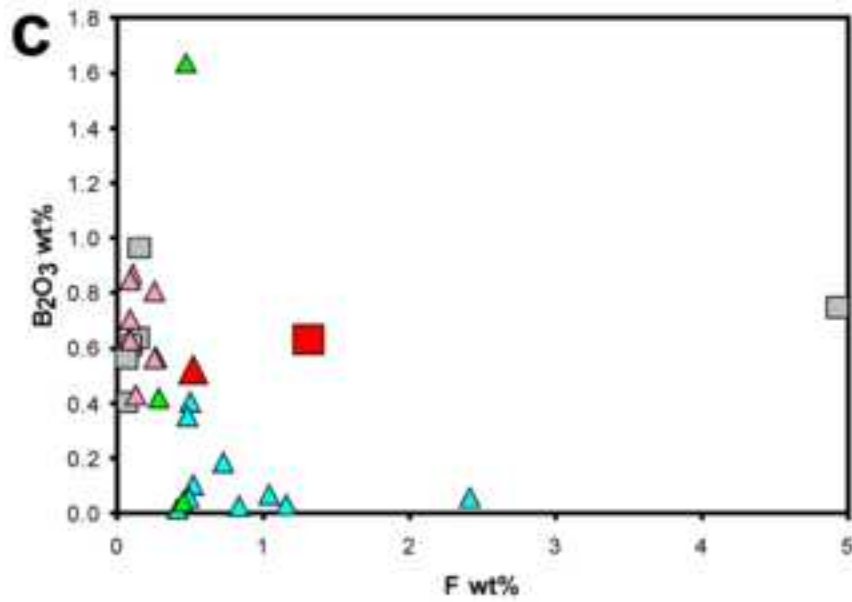
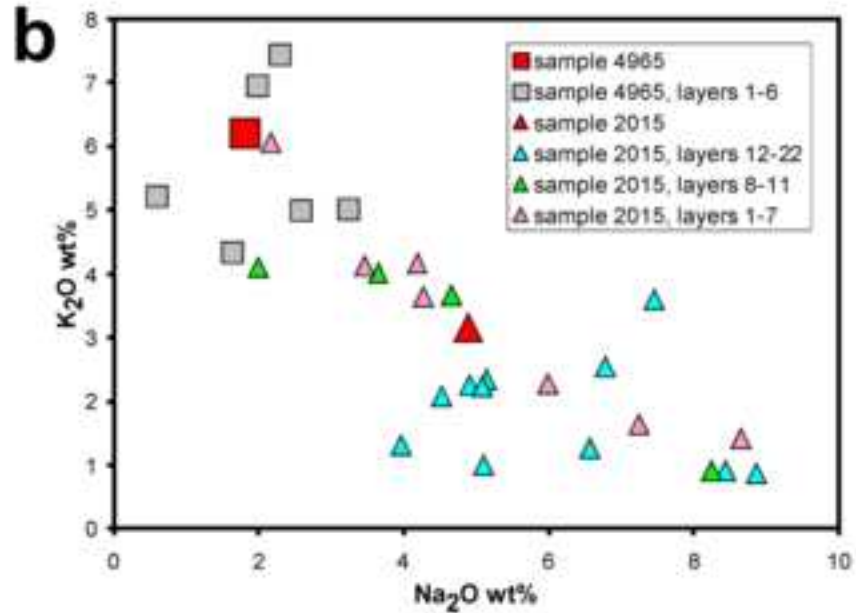
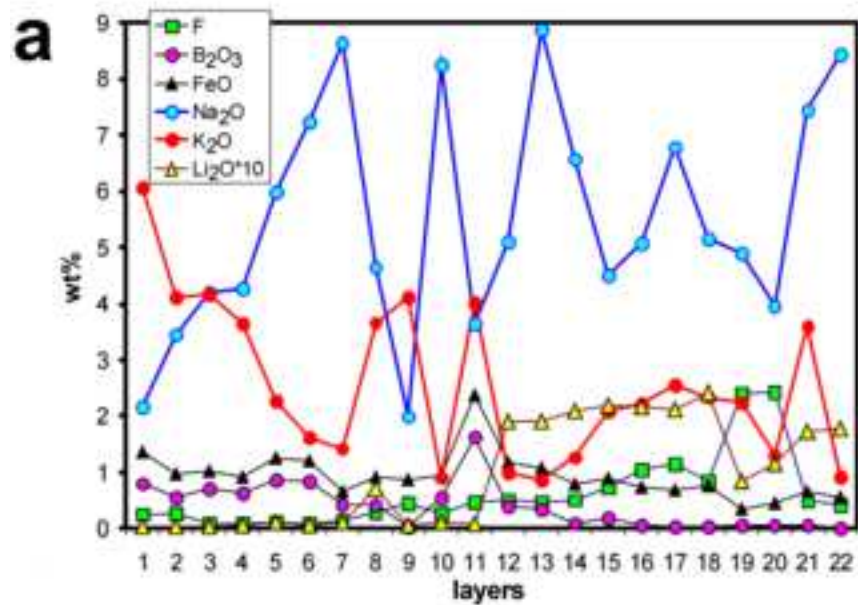


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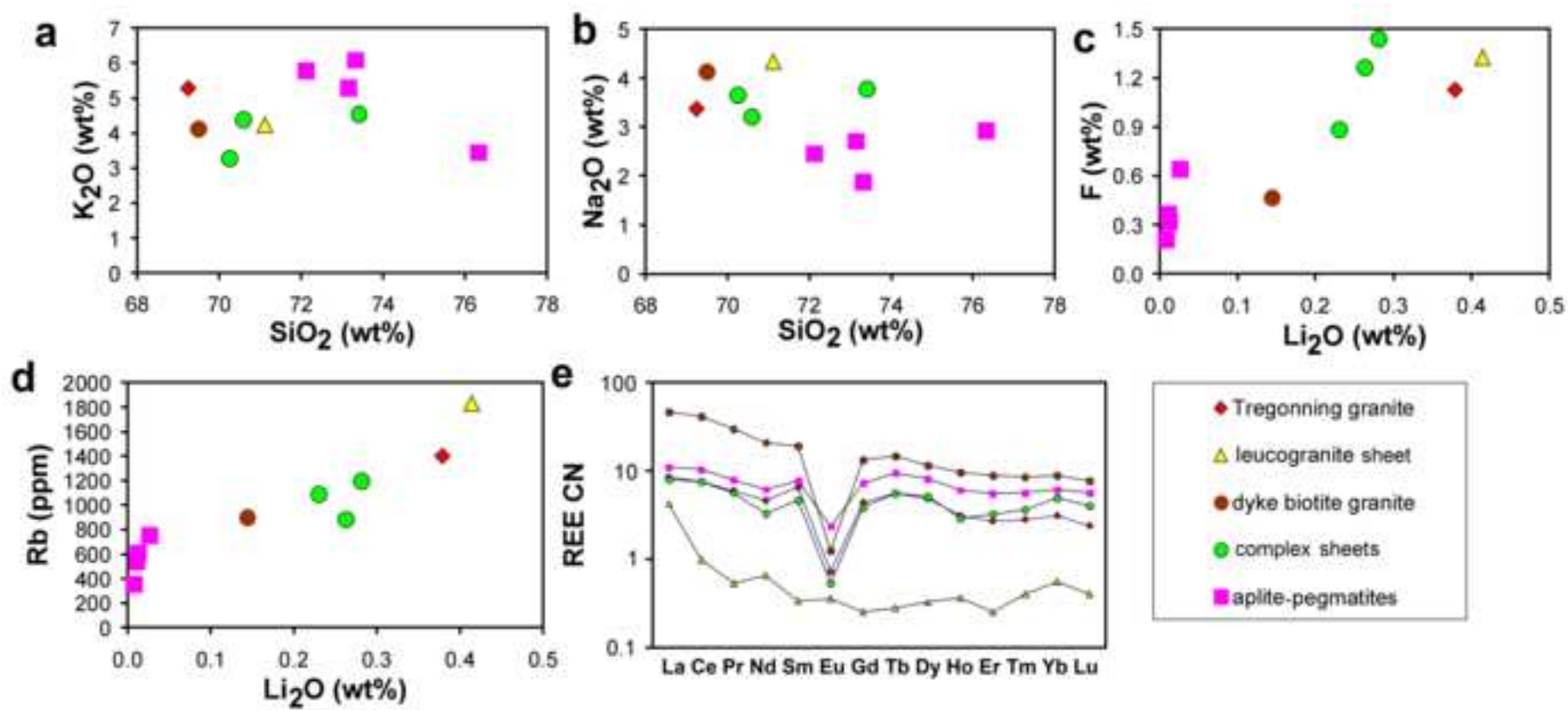


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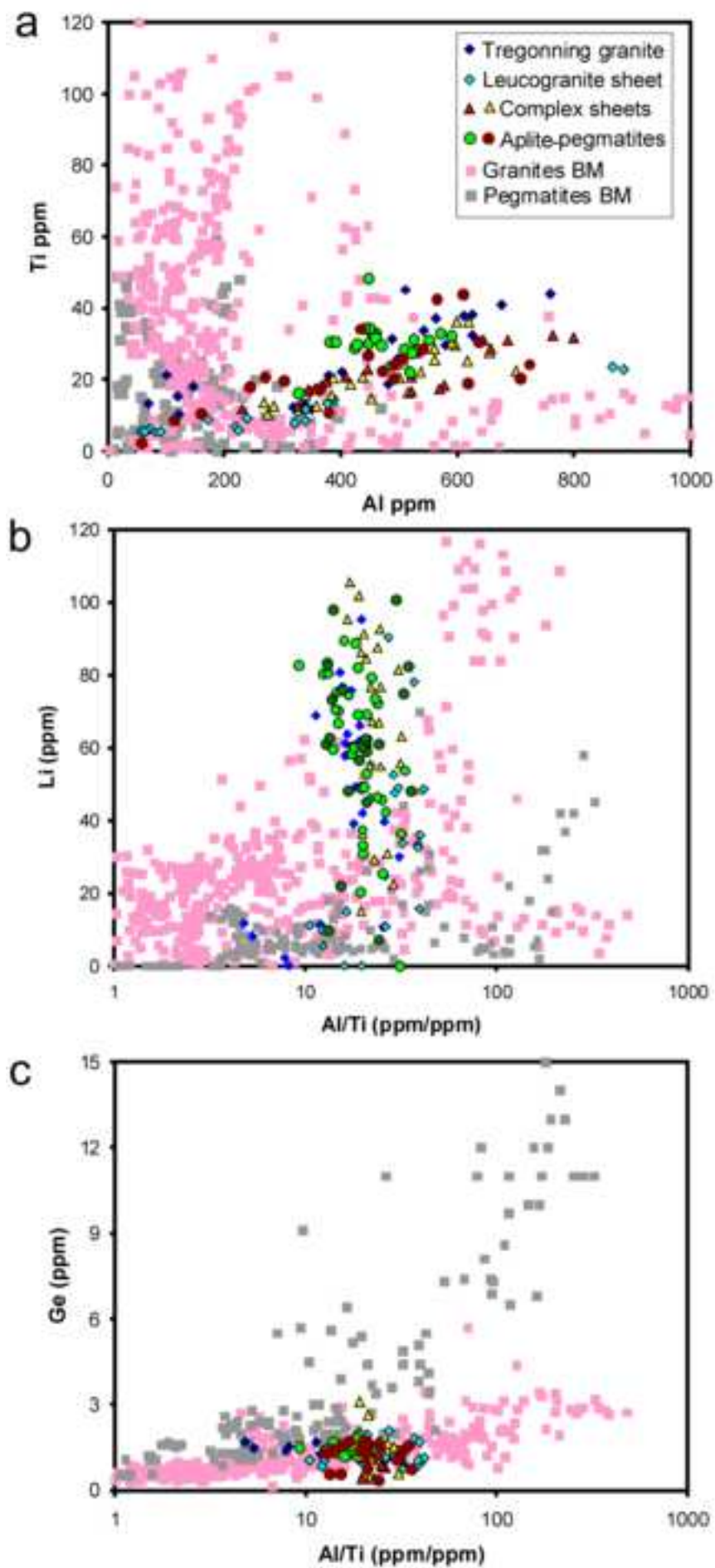


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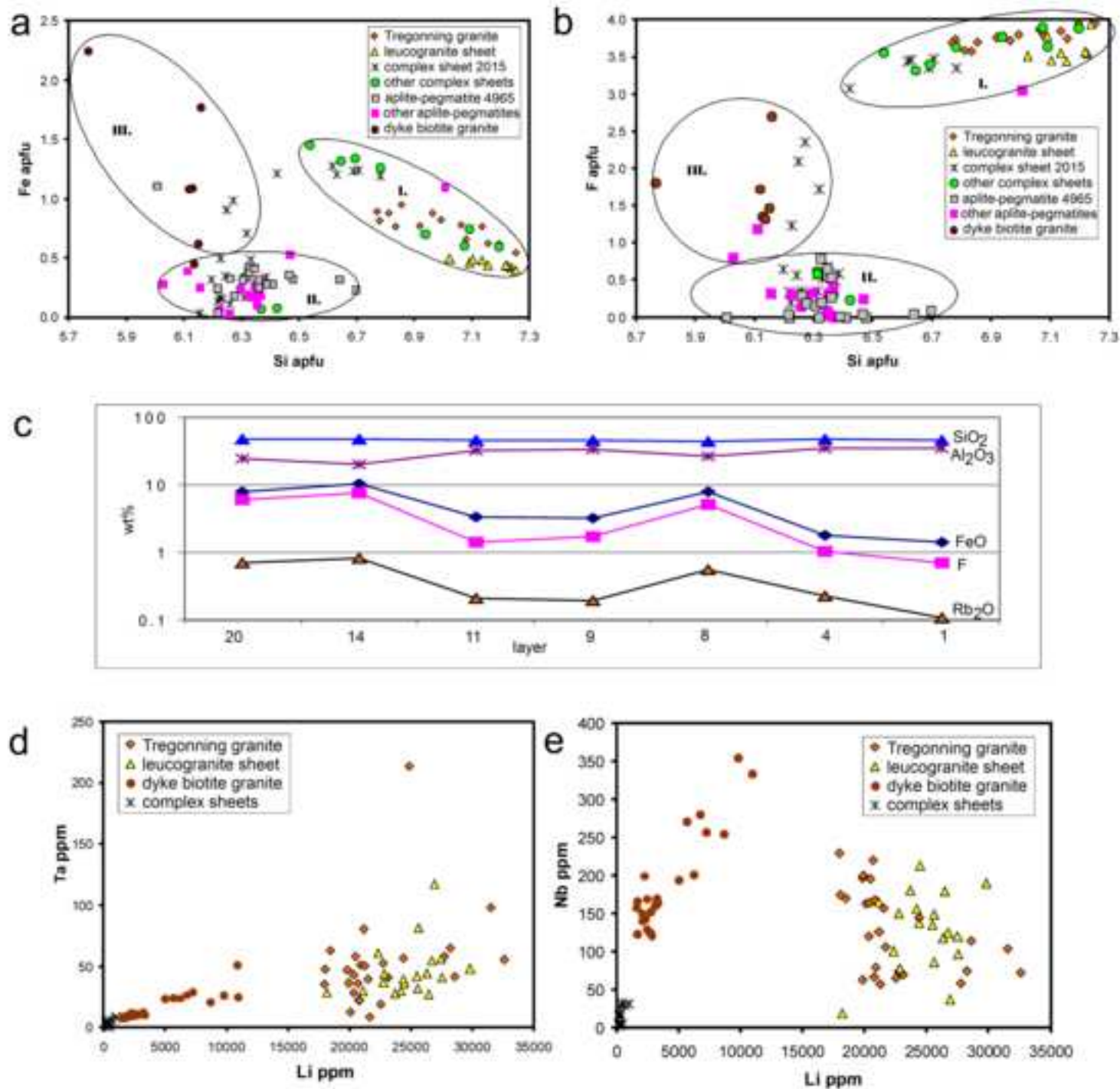


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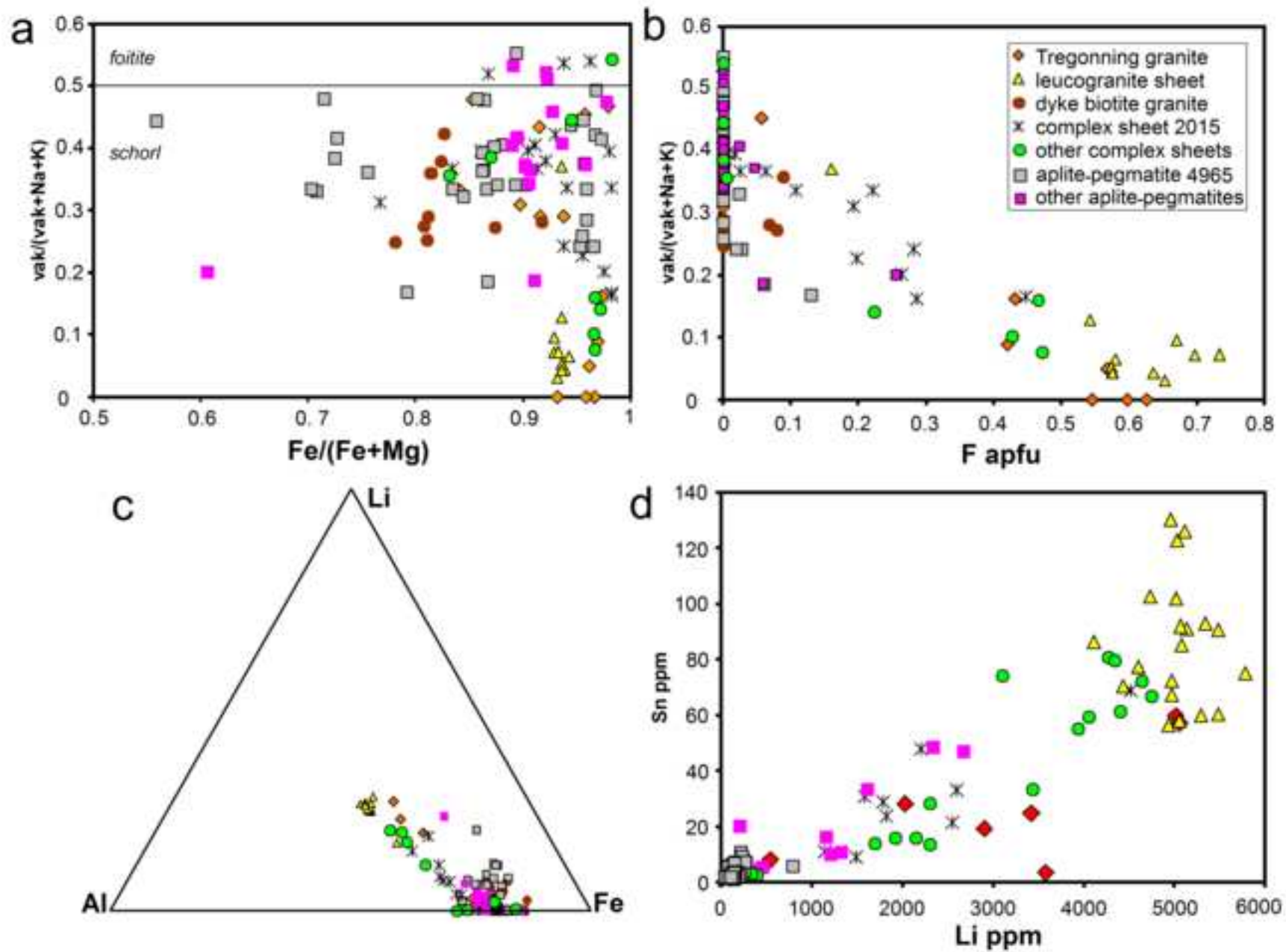


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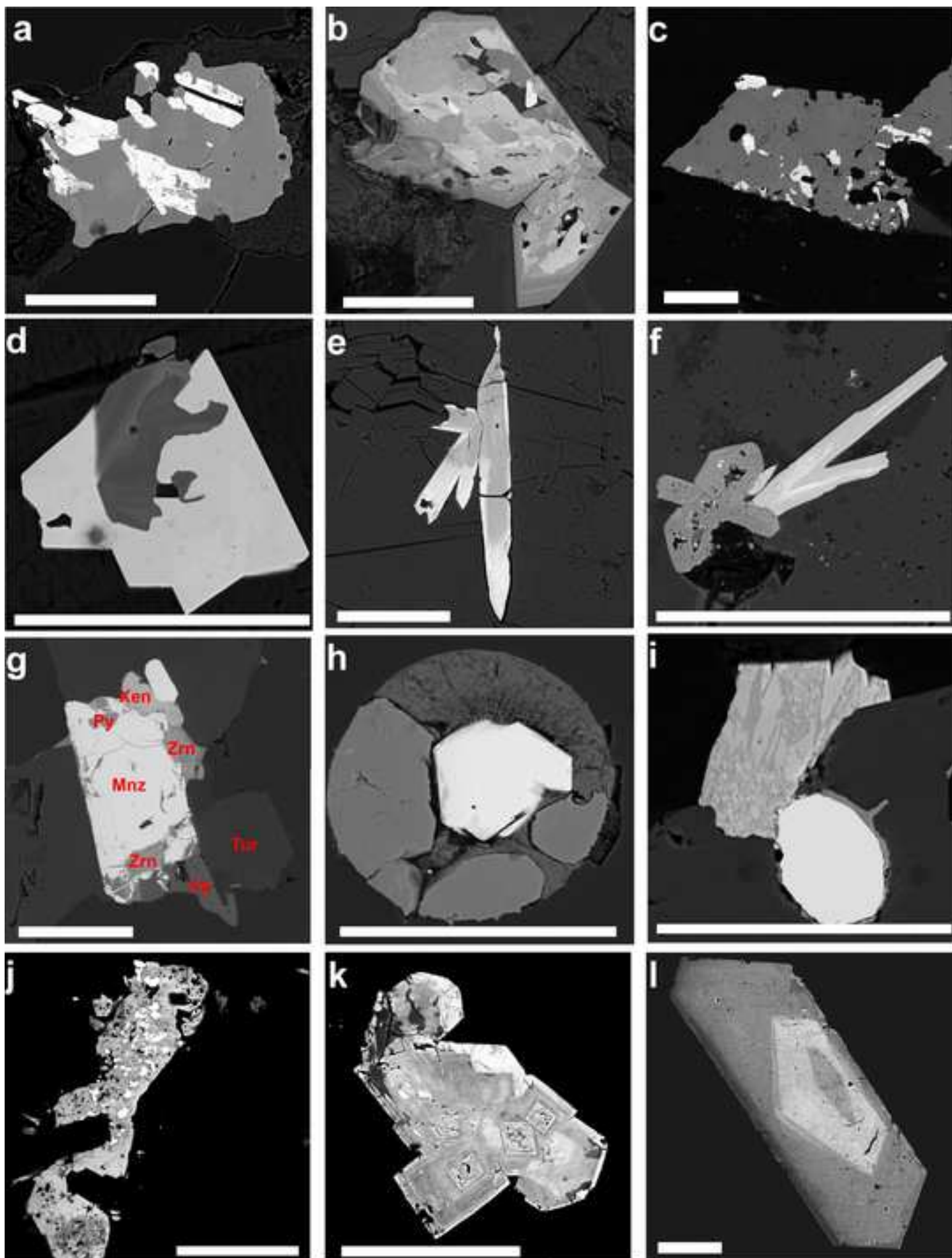


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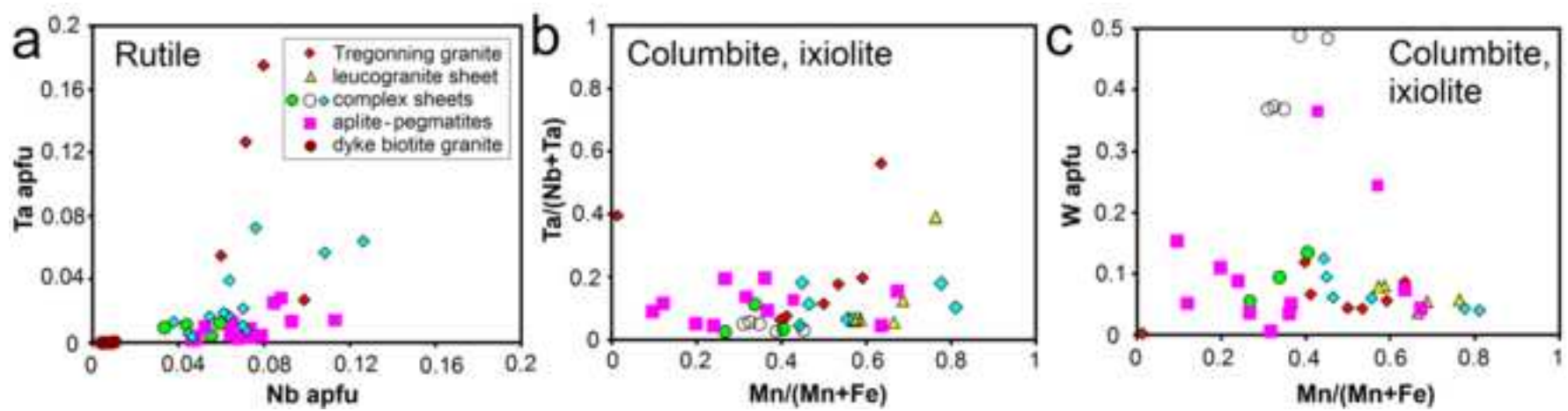


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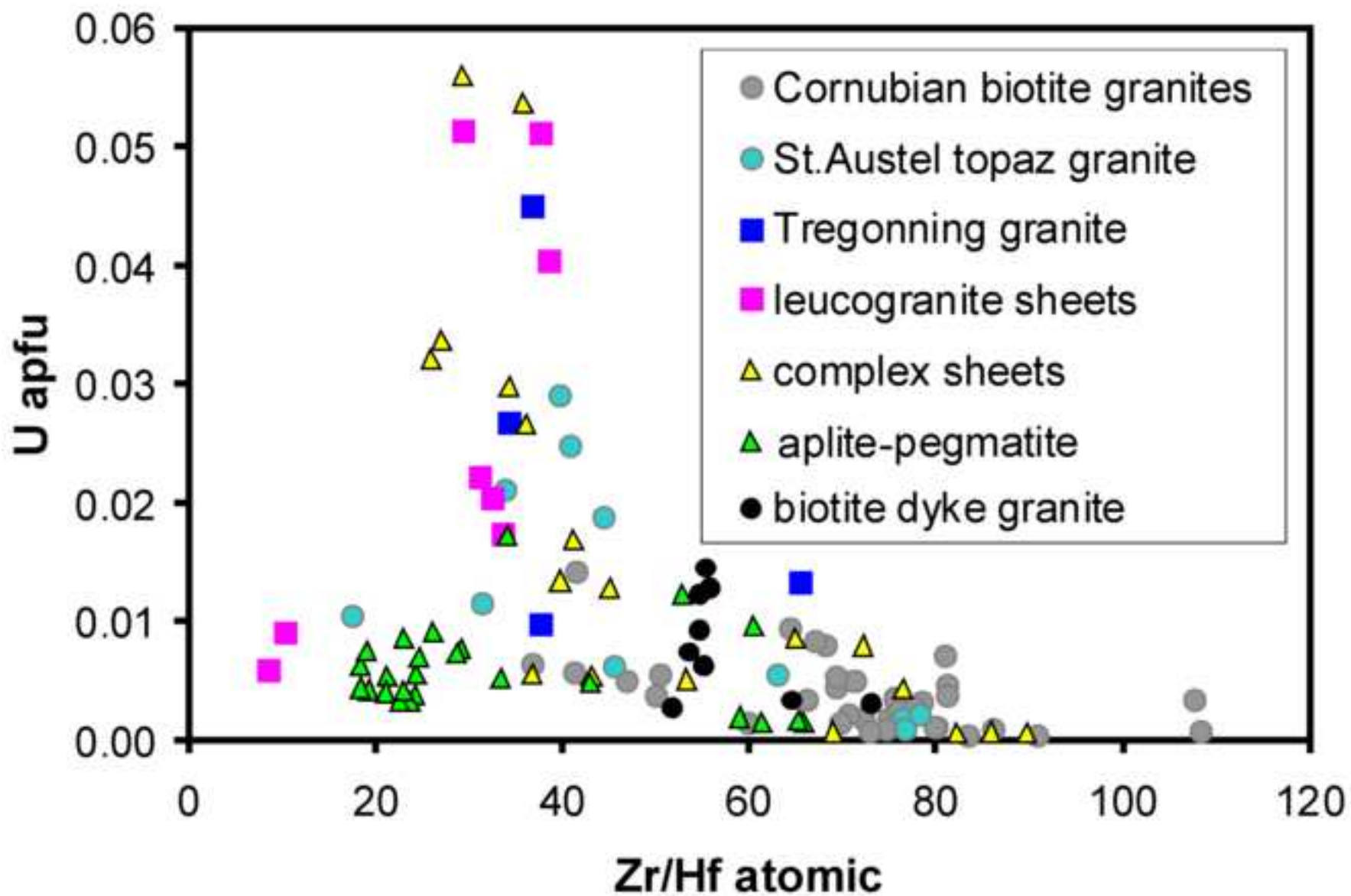


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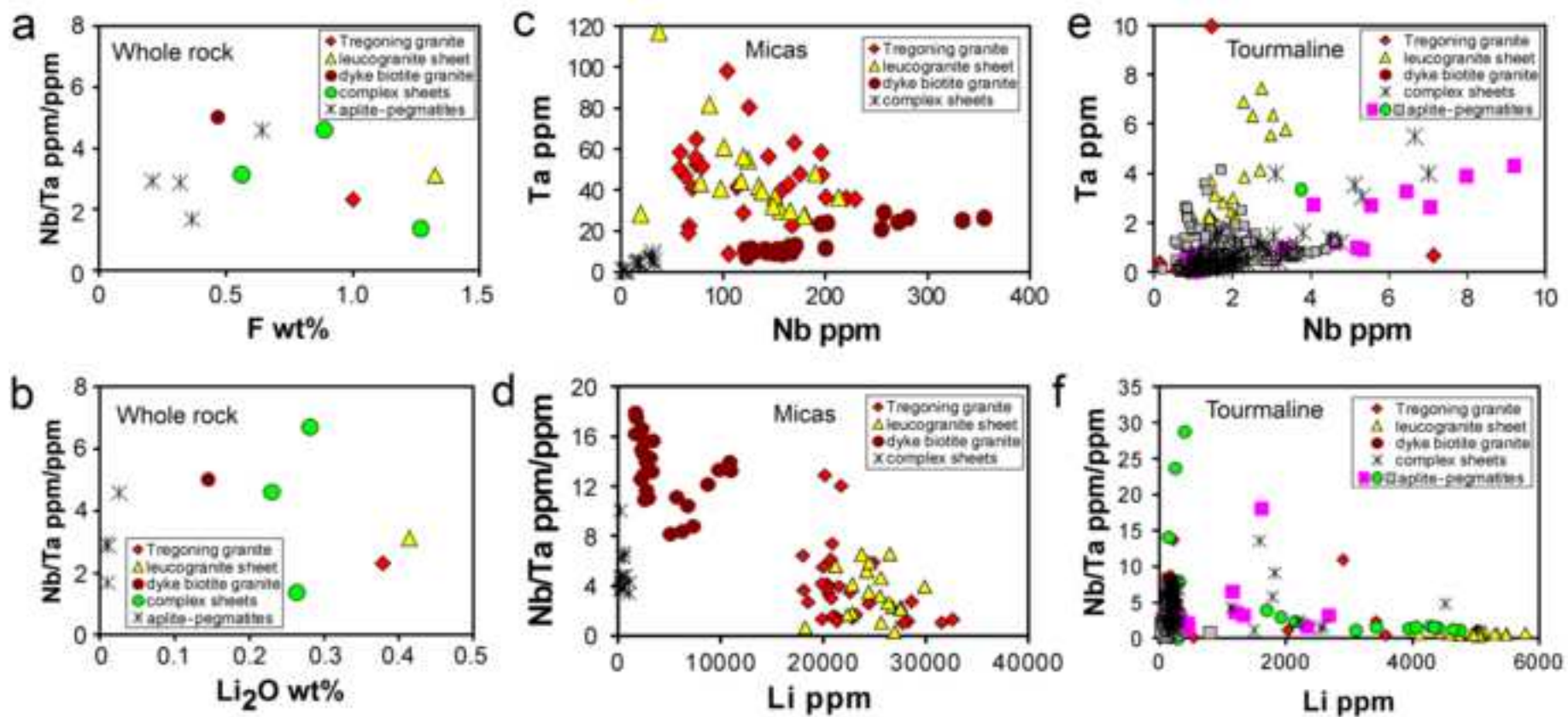


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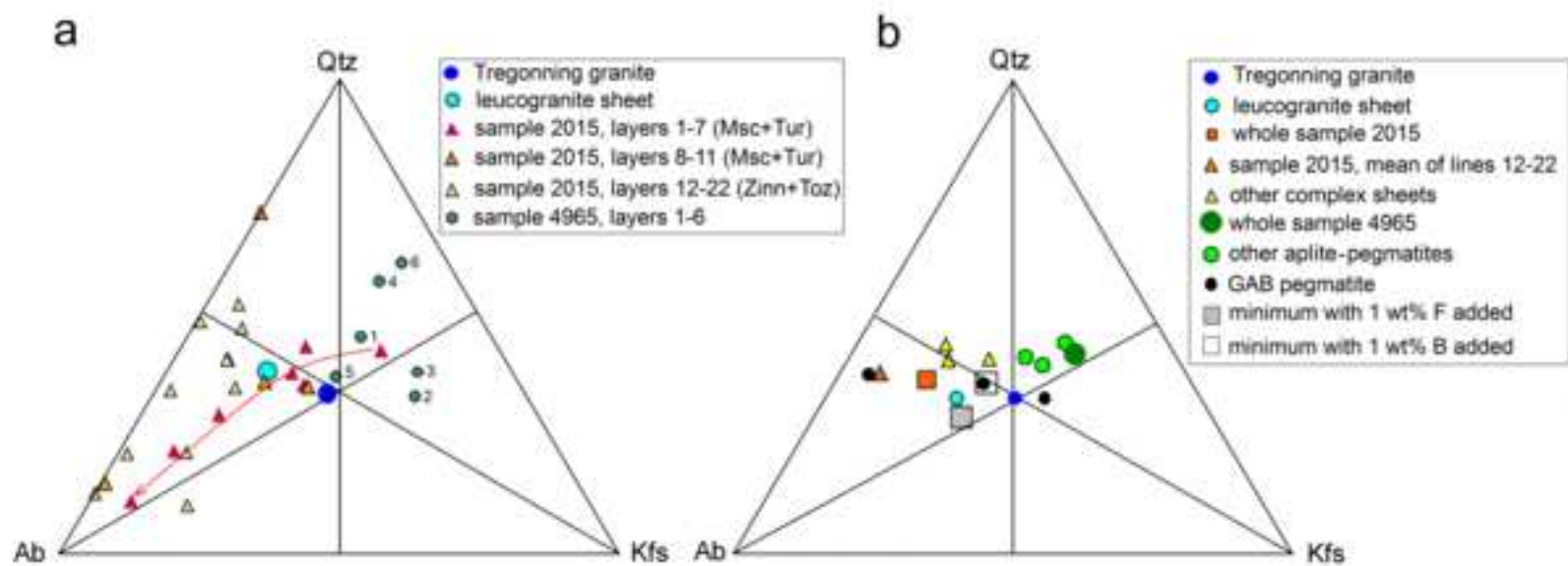


Table 1 Chemical composition of studied rocks (wt.%, trace elements in ppm)

Sample	Granites			Complex sheets (Li-mica bearing)			Aplite-pegmatites (tourmaline dominated)			
	Tregoning Granite	Leuco- granite sheet	Biotite granite dyke	Layered granite- pegmatite	Fine grained aplite	Layered granite- pegmatite	Granite- pegmatite	Layered aplite	Layered sheet	
									Aplite margin	Pegmatite core
	5303	4963	4962	4964	5304	5305	5302	4965	5306	5307
SiO ₂	69.23	71.11	69.49	70.58	70.25	73.40	73.14	73.31	72.11	76.31
TiO ₂	0.05	0.01	0.10	0.04	0.10	0.11	0.04	0.03	0.02	0.03
Al ₂ O ₃	16.66	15.57	16.84	15.52	15.18	14.03	15.09	14.36	16.30	13.75
Fe ₂ O ₃	0.28	0.14	0.55	0.21	0.56	0.25	0.54	0.50	0.45	0.67
FeO	0.58	0.37	0.87	1.04	0.33	0.63	0.14	0.25	0.18	0.20
FeOtot	0.83	0.50	1.37	1.23	0.84	0.85	0.63	0.70	0.58	0.80
MgO	0.12	0.07	0.26	0.09	0.19	0.07	0.08	0.21	0.14	0.19
MnO	0.04	0.09	0.05	0.07	0.06	0.04	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.03
CaO	0.39	0.23	0.54	0.61	1.54	0.44	0.40	0.55	0.60	0.48
Li ₂ O	0.38	0.41	0.14	0.28	0.26	0.23	0.03	0.01	0.01	0.01
Na ₂ O	3.37	4.33	3.83	3.21	3.66	3.78	2.71	1.88	2.46	2.93
K ₂ O	5.28	4.23	4.13	4.39	3.28	4.54	5.30	6.09	5.79	3.45
P ₂ O ₅	0.41	0.52	0.31	0.48	0.77	0.45	0.38	0.33	0.42	0.31
F	1.13	1.33	0.47	1.44	1.27	0.89	0.64	0.37	0.32	0.21
L.O.I.	1.20	1.00	1.37	1.27	1.60	0.96	0.76	0.91	0.84	0.84
H ₂ O(-)	0.11	0.16	0.37	0.22	0.15	0.09	0.07	0.40	0.08	0.12
F(ekv)	-0.47	-0.56	-0.20	-0.61	-0.53	-0.37	-0.27	-0.15	-0.13	-0.09
Total	99.23	99.56	99.32	99.46	99.20	99.90	99.33	99.21	99.73	99.52
Ba	12	5	25	11	35	19	16	128	63	45
Be	7	9	9	4	10	2	1	10	4	<1
Cs	199	253	74	107	182	88	33	23	25	17
Ga	42	45	39	44	48	43	40	24	33	29
Hf	1.1	1.1	2.7	0.8	1.6	0.9	0.7	1.6	1.4	0.9
Nb	40	52	33	68	69	57	38	34	26	17
Rb	1401	1832	898	1201	885	1091	755	538	613	356
Sn	22	80	26	17	61	13	13	14	15	13
Sr	24	17	20	11	116	17	11	59	40	27
Ta	17.3	16.7	6.6	10.1	50	12.4	8.2	20.4	9.1	5.8
Th	1	1	7	1	1	1	1	2	2	1
U	16	9	39	6	21	7	3	16	25	14
V	<8	<8	9	<8	14	9	<8	<8	<8	<8
W	30	37	19	28	46	21	10	4	5	8
Zr	17	13	62	9	23	12	11	26	29	15
Y	5.6	0.6	14.4	7.7	5.0	5.0	4.2	4.4	11.4	7.5
La	2.0	1.0	11.0	1.9	1.9	1.7	1.2	2.5	2.6	1.7
Ce	4.6	0.6	25.0	4.6	3.7	3.0	3.2	5.7	6.3	4.2
Pr	0.6	0.1	2.7	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.7	0.5
Nd	2.1	<0.3	9.5	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.4	2.2	2.8	1.8
Sm	1.0	<0.05	2.8	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.8	1.1	0.8
Eu	0.04	<0.02	0.07	0.03	0.06	0.04	0.04	0.19	0.13	0.12

Gd	0.87	<0.05	2.63		0.76	0.71	0.70		0.74	0.72	1.44	1.07
Tb	0.20	0.01	0.53		0.20	0.15	0.16		0.15	0.14	0.34	0.24
Dy	1.19	0.08	2.82		1.25	0.83	0.89		0.85	0.82	1.99	1.42
Ho	0.17	<0.02	0.53		0.16	0.13	0.12		0.12	0.15	0.33	0.19
Er	0.43	0.04	1.41		0.52	0.33	0.33		0.31	0.47	0.88	0.60
Tm	0.07	0.01	0.21		0.09	0.06	0.05		0.05	0.07	0.14	0.09
Yb	0.50	0.09	1.41		0.79	0.40	0.49		0.42	0.51	0.98	0.60
Lu	0.06	0.01	0.19		0.10	0.07	0.05		0.06	0.06	0.14	0.09
Mo	0.3	<0.1	0.3		<0.1	2.3	<0.1		<0.1	1.0	1.9	1.7
Cu	1.9	0.8	2.8		1.3	0.8	0.8		1.0	1.6	0.6	1.2
Pb	10	7	13		5	6	7		12	19	13	7
Zn	41	35	61		47	27	31		19	30	40	77
As	10	24	60		33	75	59		23	6	53	363
Bi	1.0	0.2	1.9		1.1	1.0	1.8		1.3	15.9	1.6	3.8
Sc	4	5	3		9	6	5		4	2	2	3
Tl	7.5	10.3	5.1		6.4	4.4	5.4		5.1	4.5	3.8	2.2
K/Rb	31	19	38		30	31	34		58	94	78	80
Zr/Hf	15	12	23		11	14	14		16	16	21	16
Nb/Ta	2.3	3.1	5.0		6.7	1.4	4.6		4.6	1.7	2.9	2.9

Rem.: major elements in wt.%, trace elements in ppm, elemental ratios by weight.