

1 **THREE-STAGE FORMATION OF GREENSTONE-HOSTED OROGENIC GOLD**
2 **DEPOSITS IN THE VAL-D'OR MINING DISTRICT, ABITIBI, CANADA:**
3 **EVIDENCE FROM PYRITE AND TOURMALINE**

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1 ABSTRACT

2 Orogenic gold deposits are the most widespread type of gold deposit worldwide, defining
3 important exploration targets in Precambrian greenstone belts. Here, we refine the model for
4 orogenic gold formation in the world-class Val-d'Or mining district (Quebec, Canada) using
5 geochemical, isotopic and mineralogical data from quartz-tourmaline-carbonate (QTC) veins
6 from several deposits across the district. Multi-element (Ag, As, Au, B, Ba, Co, Mg, Mo, Ni,
7 and Pb) pyrite mapping, as well as major, trace, and rare earth element variations in tourmaline,
8 define a three-stage paragenesis across several deposits. The first, reduced phase crystallized
9 the quartz-carbonate-gold association in the veins; the second, oxidized phase favored
10 tourmaline and barite crystallization (barite was not previously reported from this district); the
11 third phase involved a reduced fluid and the crystallization of non-auriferous, As-Co-Ni-rich
12 cubic pyrite, and tourmaline. Boron isotope ratios of tourmaline vary from -15.6 to -7.7 ‰,
13 which is attributed to the mixing of at least two fluids, one related to a deep, metamorphic
14 source and the other to shallower, possibly relict formation water. A systematic regional pattern
15 in B-isotope variation is found, with lighter values in the volcanic rocks and heavier ones in or
16 close to intrusions, which suggests different mixing proportions in the vein field from NE to
17 SW.

1 **1. Introduction**

2 Archean greenstone belts host most of the world's high-grade orogenic gold deposits.
3 Among them, the Abitibi subprovince in the southeastern part of the Precambrian Canadian
4 Shield hosts hundreds of gold deposits, distributed over more than 200 km along two major
5 connected reverse shear zones: the Cadillac-Larder Lake Fault Zone (CLLFZ) to the south and
6 the Porcupine-Destor Fault Zone (PDFZ) to the north (Fig. 1; Robert, 1994). The Val-d'Or
7 mining district is located in the eastern part of the Abitibi subprovince along the CLLFZ. It
8 hosts approximately 55 auriferous quartz-tourmaline-carbonate (QTC) vein deposits spread
9 over a 40 by 15 km area (Fig. 1), which together contain a total of ~20 million ounces Au
10 (Rafini, 2014). In this district, the Sigma QTC auriferous veins have become one of the
11 archetypes of orogenic gold deposits (Sibson *et al.*, 1988; Robert, 1994; Gaboury, 1999;
12 Neumayr and Hagemann, 2002).

13 Based on structural and hydrothermal characteristics (mineral assemblages and
14 alteration), the Abitibi gold-bearing QTC vein field is commonly understood to represent a
15 single hydrothermal event (Robert, 1994). Mineralization is suggested to have occurred at the
16 end of the formation of the Superior Province (~2.6 Ga), or shortly thereafter, through the
17 process of seismic pumping, whereby fluid transport occurred in seismically-induced pulses
18 (Sibson *et al.*, 1975; Boullier and Robert, 1992). This process resulted in the circulation of
19 mineralized hydrothermal fluids into third-order fault systems of the CLLFZ during earthquake
20 rupturing episodes. However, the precise chronology of this episodic infilling is still debated
21 (Kerrick and Ludden, 2000; Robert *et al.*, 2005).

22 Previous isotopic studies in the Val-d'Or district (Beaudoin and Pitre, 2005; Beaudoin
23 and Chiaradia, 2016) suggest a fluid mixing scenario for the mineralizing fluid two different
24 fluid reservoirs where the H-O-Sr isotope values of the vein assemblage are interpreted to
25 reflect two end-member fluids: one metamorphic and another supracrustal (Beaudoin and

1 Chiaradia, 2016). A preliminarily tourmaline B-isotope study by Beaudoin *et al.*, (2013)
2 suggested the presence of a regional southwest to northeast isotopic zonation in the district.

3 The objective of this study is to improve the understanding of the temporal and genetic
4 relationships of QTC vein mineralogical assemblages in the Val-d'Or district through a detailed
5 investigation of pyrite and tourmaline. The current formation model proposes multiple fluid
6 pulses during a single hydrothermal event involving the mixing of metamorphic and upper
7 crustal fluids (Robert, 1994; Gaboury, 1999; Neumayer and Hagemann, 2002; Beaudoin and
8 Chiaradia, 2016). To better define this model, samples from several deposits distributed across
9 the region were selected to obtain a regional coverage that is representative of the geochemical
10 variability in the vein field (Fig. 1). Pyrite and tourmaline were chosen as the minerals best
11 suited to investigate the paragenetic evolution of the system. Gold in the Val-d'Or district is
12 mainly associated with pyrite, either as inclusions and/or in the pyrite lattice. Pyrite formed
13 episodically during QTC vein formation, and its chemical variability reflects changes in
14 hydrothermal fluid chemistry and in mineralizing conditions (P, T, redox) throughout its
15 mineralization history (Large *et al.*, 2009; Goldfarb and Groves, 2015). Tourmaline has a broad
16 stability range and a wide chemical variability, which responds to changes in fluid composition
17 (Van Hinsberg and Schumacher, 2009; Henry *et al.*, 2011; Dutrow and Henry, 2011).
18 Furthermore, B-isotope variations in tourmaline can effectively fingerprint fluid sources and
19 identify regions where fluid mixing has occurred (Krienitz *et al.*, 2008 ; Zhang *et al.*, 2014;
20 Lambert-Smith *et al.*, 2016).

21 **2. Geological setting**

22 *2.1 Val-d'Or mining district*

23 The Val-d'Or QTC vein field is located at the tectonic boundary between the Abitibi
24 volcanic subprovince and the Pontiac sedimentary subprovince of the Archean Superior

1 Province (Card and Ciesielki, 1986). The 200 km-long Cadillac-Larder Lake fault is a major
2 shear zone (CLLFZ), which separates these two subprovinces (Fig.1). It represents a first-order
3 fault, which dips steeply to the north and flattens at approximately 10 km depth (Green *et al.*,
4 1990; Robert, 1994). Second-order structures consist of 1 to 10 km-long and 1 to 100 m-wide
5 faults with an E-W subvertical strike-slip in the Val-d'Or district (Robert, 1990). The third-
6 order faults are smaller and more numerous, ranging from 1 m to 1 km in length, with strike-
7 slip movement, and trending between NW and NE, dipping 35° to 75° to the south or north
8 (Robert, 1990).

9 The Val-d'Or mining district is composed of ultramafic to intermediate volcanic rocks
10 emplaced between 2714 Ma and 2702 Ma \pm 2 Ma (Pilote *et al.* 1998; Scott *et al.* 2002). A series
11 of syn-to-late tectonic intrusions dated from 2694 to 2680 Ma, including the Lamaque diorite
12 at 2685 Ma (Jemielita, 1990) and the Bourlamaque pluton at 2699 \pm 1 Ma (Hanes *et al.*, 1992;
13 Wong *et al.*, 1991; Jemielita *et al.*, 1990) crosscut the volcanic and intrusive rocks. Regional
14 greenschist facies metamorphism occurred from 2693 to 2677 Ma (Hanes *et al.*, 1992; Feng
15 and Kerrich, 1992) and was accompanied by regional shortening, forming a series of dominant
16 E-W subvertical to moderately-dipping shear zones that host the QTC veins (Robert, 1990).
17 Regional deformation ended with the convergence of the Abitibi and the Pontiac terranes along
18 the CLLFZ at \sim 2670 Ma (Feng *et al.*, 1992).

19 The district hosts two overlapping auriferous vein types: early quartz-carbonate veins
20 and later quartz-tourmaline-carbonate (QTC) veins. The early quartz-carbonate auriferous vein
21 field formed before regional metamorphism ($>$ 2690 Ma). These veins are folded and
22 boudinaged within sub-vertical shear zones, and crosscut by regional mafic dykes (Robert,
23 1990). The later, QTC-type veins are the subject of this study. They were emplaced after
24 metamorphism ($<$ 2670 Ma) and are crosscut on a regional scale by Archean intrusions and
25 mafic dykes, but not by Proterozoic dykes (Latulippe, 1966; Robert, 1994; Couture *et al.*, 1994).

1 The QTC veins were emplaced in sub-vertical reverse shear zones as fault-filled lenses, or near
2 the shear zones in sub-horizontal extensional veins (Robert *et al.*, 1995).

3 These two vein fields are interpreted as having formed in two successive hydrothermal events
4 (Robert, 1994; Robert and Brown, 1986; Couture, 1994), which likely shared the same fluid
5 conduit: the first-order fault system (Robert, 1990; Neumayr and Hagemann, 2002; Beaudoin
6 and Pitre, 2005). However, the QTC vein field is better endowed with mineralization, and hosts
7 several economic deposits with similar mineralogical characteristics (Robert and Brown, 1986;
8 Fig.1). Robert (1994) suggested that the fault system worked as an interconnected system to
9 allow for fluid circulation.

10 2.2. Sample descriptions

11 Six QTC veins were sampled from four mines (red symbols in Fig. 1): one from the Goldex
12 mine, three from the Lamaque mine (two from the Triangle and one from the Parallel zones),
13 one from the Lac Herbin mine (production ended in 2016), and one from the Beaufor mine
14 (production ended in 2019). The sampled mines are aligned along with a SW-NE trend across
15 the Val-d'Or mining district (Fig. 1). They occur in two different host lithologies: (1) local
16 diorite intrusions in volcanic rocks (Goldex and Lamaque QTC veins), and (2) the dioritic
17 Bourlamaque pluton (Lac Herbin and Beaufor QTC veins). The Lamaque samples were
18 selected from two different exploration zones, 2 km apart: the Triangle zone (Lamaque-T) and
19 the Parallel zone (Lamaque-P).

20 2.2.1 Goldex

21 The Goldex mine is located 1.5 km north of the CLLFZ, in the southern part of the district.
22 QTC veins and veinlets occur inside a 0.1-0.25 km by 3.8 km quartz-diorite intrusion in the
23 metabasalts of the Jacola Formation (Genest, 2012). The mineralization was emplaced as
24 centimeter-to-decimeter veins and veinlets in a complex stockwork system. Veins present

1 proximal (± 0.5 m thick) albite and sericite-rich alteration haloes and a biotite-chlorite distal
2 alteration halo 3-10 m thick (Genest, 2012). Sample 91 is from a quartz vein with disseminated
3 tourmaline and pyrite in contact with a feldspathic and chlorite alteration. The sample was
4 collected from a drill core in a stockwork vein system at 134 m depth (Fig.2A).

5 2.2.2. Lamaque

6 The Triangle and Parallel zones are part of the Lamaque deposit, located in the southern part of
7 the Val d'Or district. The well-know Sigma mine nearby represents the northern extension of
8 the Lamaque deposit (Robert and Brown, 1986). Together, they produced over ten million oz
9 of gold. The Triangle zone is located 2.5 km from the historical Lamaque mine. It has been an
10 operational mine since March 2019 (Eldorado gold), with an average grade of 7 g/t Au
11 (Beauregard et al., 2014). The Parallel zone is a current exploration project located 500 m from
12 the Lamaque deposit and 2 km from the Triangle zone. QTC veins with disseminated pyrite
13 occur in an 800 x 400 m dioritic intrusion in the andesite of the Val-d'Or Formation (Poulsen
14 *et al.*, 2000). Veins were emplaced in a series of sub-vertical shear zones and fractures, and also
15 as extensional shear vein splays (Beauregard et al., 2014). Sample 85 is from a quartz-
16 tourmaline vein with pyrite and chlorite. Sample 87 is from a quartz-tourmaline vein with pyrite
17 and a larger proportion of chlorite and some K-feldspar veining. Samples 85 and 87 were
18 collected from the same drill core in the Triangle zone, at 208.5 m and 211.5 m depths
19 respectively (Fig. 2B and Fig. 2C). Sample 87 presents pervasive chlorite and a K-feldspar
20 veinlets. Sample 88 represents quartz-tourmaline veins with disseminated pyrite, collected from
21 the Parallel zone in a drill core at 212 m depth (Fig. 2D).

22 2.2.3. Lac Herbin

23 The Lac Herbin mine is located in the center of the 170 km² Bourlamaque pluton, which is
24 dioritic to tonalitic in composition (Lemarchand, 2012). QTC veins emplaced in shear zones
25 from less than 1 to 3.5 m width (Rezeau et al., 2017). Several deformed dioritic dykes crosscut

1 the deposit parallel to the QTC veins. Sample 73 is a centimeter-wide quartz vein with a veinlet
2 of sulfides and tourmaline veinlets. Parallel veinlets of tourmaline and pyrite-chalcopyrite are
3 separated within the quartz vein (Fig. 2E). The sample was collected in the underground part
4 of the mine, from an E-W trending shear zone at level 15.

5 *2.2.4 Beaufor*

6 The Beaufor mine is located in the eastern part of the Bourlamaque pluton. Quartz-tourmaline
7 veins, with pyrite, chalcopyrite, and chlorite were emplaced in decimeter-to-meter lenses within
8 subhorizontal tensional shears zones. The Beaufor deposit formed at the border of the
9 Bourlamaque pluton and mafic rocks of the Dubuisson Formation. Sample 11 is from a quartz-
10 tourmaline vein with pyrite, chalcopyrite, and chlorite, and was collected from a 2 m-wide
11 crack-and-seal vein in the 22C-355 level of the underground mine (Fig. 2F).

12 **3. Materials and methods**

13 The three veins from Lamaque were samples from drill cores, and those from Goldex, Lac
14 Herbin and Beaufor were hand samples. All were sampled inside the representative quartz vein
15 and contain visible sulfides and tourmaline. Samples were crushed and sulfide minerals were
16 separated by density from the lighter silicates using a hydroseparator. The heavy mineral
17 assemblage, including gold and its alloys (Ag, Te) was characterized via SEM-EDX (Fig. 3) on
18 isolated grains with a Hitachi S-3400N type II (4 detectors) at 15 kV.

19 Representative tourmaline grains, ranging from 60 to 600 μm long, were handpicked from each
20 sample under a binocular microscope and set in two epoxy mounts. Major, trace, and rare earth
21 elements were measured on one sample mount, which contained 48 tourmaline grains - eight
22 per sample. They were analyzed using a New wave 213 nm Nd-YAG laser ablation system
23 coupled with an iCAP Qc ICP-MS at McGill University, Montréal, Canada. The 60 μm beam
24 made a 10 μm deep ablation channel along the length of each tourmaline grain (between 70 and

1 300 μm) at 6 $\mu\text{m/s}$. The laser is operated continuously at 10 Hz and 65% energy. The energy of
2 the laser is 0.244 mJ, with a flux of 8.63 J/cm². The washing time of the laser is 40 s and heating
3 time is 30 s. The instrumental mass fractionation and analytical quality were determined by
4 repeat analysis of reference materials, NIST 160, NIST 612, and NIST 614.

5 Boron isotopes were measured on 76 representative tourmaline grains from the six samples,
6 which were mounted in the second epoxy mount. The analysis was undertaken using the
7 CAMECA 1280-HR secondary ion mass spectrometer (SIMS) at the German Research Centre
8 for Geosciences (GFZ) in Potsdam, Germany (Table 2). The sample mount was cleaned and
9 coated with high-purity gold before SIMS analyses. The instrument was tuned with a ¹⁶O⁻ ion
10 beam of ca. 3 nA intensity, focused to a 5 μm spot on the sample surface. Secondary ions were
11 measured in multi-collector mode using Faraday cups. For further analytical details of the
12 tourmaline analysis carried out at GFZ using the 1280-HR instrument, see Lambert-Smith *et*
13 *al.* (2016). The instrumental mass fractionation and analytical quality were determined by
14 repeat analysis of tourmaline reference materials, Harvard 112566 schorl and Harvard 108796
15 dravite, which span the compositional range of the tourmalines studied here. Each analysis
16 consisted of 20 measurements at the ¹⁰B and ¹¹B mass stations, and the internal precision was
17 typically 0.1 ‰ (1 s.d.). The repeatability determined from multiple analyses of the reference
18 tourmalines during the analytic session was better than 0.3 ‰ individually (1 sd, n = 54). The
19 overall repeatability calculated for both reference tourmalines together was 0.6 ‰ (1 sd), which
20 includes any chemical matrix effect in the schorl-dravite composition range. Boron isotope ratios
21 are reported in delta notation ($\delta^{11}\text{B} = (^{11}\text{B}/^{10}\text{B})_{\text{sample}} / (^{11}\text{B}/^{10}\text{B})_{\text{std}}$) in per mil (‰) relative to the
22 NIST SRM 951 standard (Catanzaro *et al.*, 1970).

23 Pyrite grains in thin-section were measured by laser-ablation ICPMS in element-mapping mode
24 or Ag, As, Au, B, Ba, Co, Mg, Mo, Ni, and Pb. Five pyrite grains were mapped using a
25 Resonetics S-155-LR with a 193 nm Excimer laser ablation system coupled to an Agilent 7700x

1 quadrupole ICP-MS at the University of New Brunswick, Fredericton, Canada. The
2 instrumental mass fractionation and analytical quality were determined by repeat analysis of
3 reference materials NIST 610 and MASS1. Eight-to-10 μm -deep ablations were performed at a
4 travel speed of 25 $\mu\text{m}/\text{s}$ with a 36 μm -diameter beam. The analyzed pyrites grains were selected
5 based on their size ($>5 \mu\text{m}$) and the presence of visible zonation in reflected light observations.
6 The selected grains represent the dominant grain morphology in the QTC veins from the Lac
7 Herbin and Goldex deposits, as compared to less abundant, smaller, more idiomorphic cubic
8 grains, which are late-stage and have no gold inclusions. Pyrites with a central pitted texture
9 and smooth halo were found in thin-sections of the six samples and were analyzed.

10 4. Results

11 4.1. Mineralogy

12 The QTC veins contain a similar mineral assemblage in all of the samples, comprising
13 quartz, carbonate, tourmaline, pyrite, K-feldspar, muscovite, chlorite \pm pyrrhotite, chalcopyrite,
14 molybdenite, and scheelite (Table 1; Fig. 2). Pyrite is disseminated in the veins and ranges from
15 a micrometer in size, and up to 1 centimeter wide in the samples. It can represent up to 10% of
16 the vein mineral assemblage, either aggregated or more sporadic. Pyrite is the most abundant
17 sulfide and is gold-bearing (Fig. 3 and 4), except for a later generation of smaller, idiomorphic
18 cubic grains, which are barren. SEM-EDX measurements on pyrite indicate the presence of
19 micro-inclusions of native gold or electrum. At the Lamaque deposit (the Triangle and Parallel
20 deposits are described together), gold is frequently associated with tellurides, including
21 calaverite (AuTe_2) and krennerite (Au_3AgTe_3). The Lac Herbin and Beaufor deposits also
22 contain euhedral, Ni-Co-rich arsenopyrites.

23 Tourmaline occurs disseminated or in late veinlets within the QTC veins, and both were
24 sampled for the study (Fig. 2). These tourmaline veinlets contain disseminated cubic pyrites
25 with few gold inclusions on their surface caused by a late remobilization. Despite the overall

1 similarity in the mineralogy of the vein material from one deposit to another, there are slight
2 differences in mineral proportions (Table 1). This variation is linked to a change from quartz to
3 albite and microcline in the vein, particularly for quartz and carbonate, which represent ~50%
4 of Goldex and Lamaque vein modal mineralogy and ~90% of Lac Herbin and Beaufor vein
5 modal mineralogy. For all deposits sampled, tourmaline represents ~2% of the sample material.
6 In some veins, tourmaline proportion can reach >50% of the vein assemblage.

7 4.2. *Element mapping in pyrite*

8 Element mapping of pyrite in thin sections from the Lac Herbin and Goldex deposits
9 gave consistent results regarding the pyrite paragenesis (Fig. 4 and 5). Mapping of Ag, As, Au,
10 B, Ba, Co, Mg, Mo, Ni, and Pb enables different pyrite stages to be distinguished. Three
11 observable geochemically distinct zones in the grains suggest three generations of pyrite growth
12 (Fig. 4 and 5). The first generation of pyrite is in the crystal cores (Fig 4A and 5A), with a
13 ragged border (Pyrite 1). It contains numerous 10-30 μm inclusions, including gold and
14 relatively Mg-rich phase too small for identification. The ragged border of Pyrite 1 indicates
15 dissolution. The outer halo of this pyrite contains 250-200 μm diameter inclusions of B- and
16 Ba-rich minerals, mainly tourmaline and barite (Fig. 4B and 5B). Pyrite 2 occurs as an
17 overgrowth on Pyrite 1 and has a Co-rich composition (Fig. 4C and 5C). The composition of
18 Pyrite 3 changes outward to an As- and Ni-rich composition with no further more association
19 with gold (Fig. 4C and 5C). Pyrites 2 and 3 are inclusion-free. Where the grains showed late
20 brittle deformation, gold and other metals (Ag, Mo, Pb) from pyrite cores (as inclusions or in
21 the lattice) were remobilized into fractures and pores (Fig. 4D).

22 4.3. *Major, trace and REE elements in tourmaline*

23 The presence of tourmaline inclusions in Pyrite 1 suggests that tourmaline began to
24 crystallize at the end of the Pyrite 1 formation. Tourmaline compositions on a district scale vary

1 from a Mg-rich to an Fe-rich composition, as indicated by the Fe/Mg and Na/Ca plots (Fig.
2 6A). The northeastern deposits (Beaufor and Lac Herbin) are dravitic (Mg-rich) and the
3 southwestern deposits (Goldex and Lamaque) are schorlitic (Fe-rich) tourmalines. However,
4 tourmaline trace element contents show no systematic trends. The average primitive mantle-
5 normalized trace element values (McDonough and Sun, 1995) are heterogeneous among the
6 deposits (Fig. 6B; Table A1). Most show Pb and Sr enrichment and Ce depletion compared
7 with neighboring trace-elements (Fig. 6B). In general, tourmaline from the Lamaque deposit
8 has higher trace-element concentrations than those from the other deposits, especially for U,
9 Nb, Pb, Zr, for the REE generally, and for the HREE in particular (Fig. 6B). Tourmaline in all
10 of the deposits shows a positive Eu anomaly, but this is less marked in the Lamaque tourmaline
11 than for the other deposits.

12 4.4. Boron isotopes in tourmaline

13 Boron isotope analysis resulted in $\delta^{11}\text{B}$ values ranging from -15.6 to -7.7 ‰ (Fig 6C). Ten
14 grains were typically analyzed from each deposit and the internal variations was found to be
15 about 2-3 ‰ (Table 2). The B-isotope ratios from individual locations across the Val-d'Or
16 district show a spatial pattern; the southwestern Goldex and Lamaque samples have lighter $\delta^{11}\text{B}$
17 values, from -15.6 to -9.1 ‰ whereas the Beaufor and Lac Herbin samples from farther east in
18 the district yielded higher $\delta^{11}\text{B}$ values, from -11.2 to -7.7 ‰ (Fig. 7, Table 2). This apparently
19 systematic increase in $\delta^{11}\text{B}$ values from west to east agrees with the results of an earlier study
20 by Beaudoin *et al.*, 2013.

21 5. Discussion

22 Two interpretations are possible for the proposed three-phase evolution of the Val-d'Or
23 mineralization based on the pyrite paragenesis: (1) multiple fluid pulses during a single
24 hydrothermal event (Robert, 1994), or (2) multiple, discontinuous hydrothermal episodes

1 spread over a longer time span (Fontaine *et al.*, 2017; Molnár *et al.*, 2018). The similar
2 mineralogical signature of the veins suggests a common origin for the vein forming fluid. The
3 pyrite element mapping helps to distinguish between evolution during one continuous
4 hydrothermal event versus an episodic mineralization scenario. The first would be recorded in
5 the pyrite as continuous crystallization (Murowchick *et al.*, 1987; Román *et al.*, 2019), as is the
6 case for the gradual variation between Pyrite 2 and Pyrite 3 (Fig. 4C and 5C). In contrast, the
7 discontinuous growth and partial resorption between Pyrite 1 and Pyrite 2, suggests two distinct
8 episodes in the vein field construction. This may be associated with episodic pulses of fluid
9 rising through the CLLFZ fault system.

10 5.1. Phase 1

11 Phase 1 represents the beginning of vein formation with the first hydrothermal pulse. It
12 crystallized the quartz-carbonate vein material and disseminated gold-bearing pyrite. The
13 irregular shape of Pyrite 1, associated with abundant mineral inclusions and clustered pores,
14 suggests fast crystallization and supersaturation conditions (Murowchick and Barnes, 1987;
15 Wang *et al.*, 2012; Román *et al.*, 2019). The Au maps and SEM-EDX analysis indicate an
16 uneven gold distribution between the samples which corroborates the uneven gold content
17 distribution in the district (Robert *et al.*, 2005). The gold content in the Sigma-Lamaque deposit
18 is higher than that in the surrounding deposits in the Val-d'Or district (Robert *et al.*, 2005). In
19 veins from the Lamaque deposit, gold is found as an alloy with Ag, Pb, and Te. In the other
20 studied deposits, gold is either native or is associated with silver (Table 1). This difference
21 could be caused by a Te-Ag-Pb-rich fluid that was restricted at the scale of Sigma-Lamaque
22 deposit, and therefore only impacted this deposit.

23 5.2. Phase 2

24 Phase 2 began with the crystallization of tourmaline and barite at the end of Pyrite 1.
25 The occurrence of barite in the veins and the positive Eu anomaly recorded in the tourmalines

1 indicate an oxidized fluid as tourmaline-barite forming-fluid. The dissolution border of Pyrite
2 1 indicates a reaction with this tourmaline-barite forming-fluid. Barite is less abundant than
3 tourmaline in the deposits, and was only observed as inclusions in Pyrite 1.

4 5.3. Phase 3

5 Phase 3 started with a new pulse of hydrothermal fluids, which enabled a return to
6 reduced conditions and the precipitation of more pyrite. Pyrite 2 and 3 are not auriferous. Pyrite
7 2 is Co-rich and Pyrite 3 is As-Ni-rich compared with Pyrite 1 (Fig. 4C and 5C). The
8 homogenous distribution of Co, As and Ni in Pyrites 2 and 3 indicates that the Co, As, and Ni
9 is structurally bound with the pyrite. Pyrite 2 and 3 show Co-rich and As-Ni-rich zonation
10 patterns respectively, and are inclusion-free. Arsenic, nickel, and cobalt were introduced either
11 during or after the oxidized phase (Phase 2), with the Phase 3 hydrothermal fluid pulse. Ni-Co-
12 rich arsenopyrite also formed during phase 3. The pyrite zonation pattern suggests slow
13 crystallization kinetics, under low-boiling (gradual cooling and physico-chemical variation) or
14 non-boiling conditions in a less-sulfide-saturated environment (Murowchick and Barnes, 1987;
15 Román *et al.*, 2019) compared to Phase 1. Tourmaline continued to continuously crystallize
16 with Pyrite 2 and Pyrite 3, with a late mineral assemblage (muscovite, rutile, titanite; Kerrich
17 and King, 1993). After the last pyrite overgrowth (Pyrite 3), pyrite fracturing and destabilization
18 enabled the remobilization of gold and metals (Ag, Mo, Pb) into these fractures from the core
19 (Pyrite 1) to the edges (Pyrite 3) and more rarely on the irregular surfaces of the cubic pyrite
20 formed during Phase 3. This remobilization followed a late deformation of the region, probably
21 Proterozoic, impacting the deposits, but not necessarily uniformly (Zhang *et al.*, 2014 b). The
22 Lac Herbin pyrite indicates remobilization, but fracturing is not observed in Goldex pyrite. This
23 late remobilization at grain scale may account for the nuggety gold distribution observed in the
24 deposits (Bonnemaison and Marcoux, 1990).

25 5.4. The three-stage evolution

1 We propose that each phase represents a particular redox environment, and that each
2 pyrite growth stage (Pyrite 1, 2, and 3) represents a hydrothermal fluid pulse event (Fig. 8).
3 Pyrite 1 formed during Phase 1 and the beginning of Phase 2. Phase 2 began with the formation
4 of tourmaline and barite. Phase 3 then formed Pyrite 2, Pyrite 3, and tourmaline (barite only
5 crystallized during Phase 2). Independent evidence for the three model is the observation that
6 quartz in the QTC veins at the Lac Herbin deposit contains three types of successively-tapped
7 fluid inclusions (Rezeau *et al.*, 2017): an early gold-bearing aqueous-carbonic fluid, a barren
8 high-temperature moderately-saline aqueous fluid, and a barren low-temperature saline
9 aqueous fluid. The first, gold-bearing fluid of Rezeau *et al.* (2017) corresponds to Phase 1,
10 while the second, barren high-temperature fluid saline aqueous fluids, which would have
11 remobilized gold in late fractures corresponding to the end of our Phase 3. The final, low-
12 temperature fluid, is not recorded in the pyrite growth zones, and could be Proterozoic (Boullier
13 *et al.*, 1998).

14 5.5. *Tourmaline B-isotope variations and implications for fluid source*

15 The $\delta^{11}\text{B}$ values of tourmaline from all samples vary between -15.6 ‰ to -7.7 ‰, but the
16 variation within a single deposit is on the order of 2-3 ‰ (Fig. 6C; Fig. 7). This narrow range
17 is similar to results from a previous boron study in the district (Beaudoin *et al.*, 2013) but could
18 be related to the small number of samples in this study (one per deposit and three for Lamaque).
19 The Lamaque tourmalines are the exception in terms of a larger number of sample (n=3) and a
20 larger range of values, from -14 to -9.1 ‰, while tourmaline from the Sigma deposit also yield
21 a considerable range of $\delta^{11}\text{B}$ values, from -16.4 to -10.7‰ (Beaudoin *et al.*, 2013). Beaudoin *et al.*
22 (2013) suggested that the large range $\delta^{11}\text{B}$ values at the Sigma deposit is caused by repetitive
23 closed-reservoir tourmaline precipitation with a Rayleigh fractionation, followed by vein re-
24 opening and the influx of new hydrothermal fluids during fault-valve cycles.
25 The $\delta^{11}\text{B}$ values suggest a spatial variation that divides the district into a southwest group

1 (Goldex and Lamaque), with values from -15.6 to -11.6 ‰, and a northeast group (Lac Herbin
2 and Beaufor), with a higher range of $\delta^{11}\text{B}$ from -11.2 to -7.7 ‰ (Fig. 7). This divide in the
3 district corresponds to a difference in the tourmaline Fe/Mg ratio, although, on the grain scale,
4 the boron isotope composition is largely independent of the tourmaline chemical composition
5 (this study and Beaudoin *et al.*, 2013). Tourmaline $\delta^{11}\text{B}$ values from Beaudoin *et al.* (2013)
6 show the same spatial variation, with a southwest group (Sisco, Sigma, Audet, and Goldex)
7 ranging between -15.5 to -11.6 ‰, and a northeast group (Orenada, Lucien Belliveau, Camnet-
8 Nord, Buffadison, and Beaufor), with -12 to -9.5 ‰ (Fig. 6C). The highest $\delta^{11}\text{B}$ values (-9.5 to
9 -7.7 ‰) are found close to large intrusions, such as Bourlamaque and the East Sullivan pluton
10 (Fig. 7), but other locations in the eastern group also have high and are metavolcanic rocks
11 (Lucien Béliveau and Buffadison). Furthermore, there are volcanic-hosted locations in the
12 southwestern (Goldex, Sisco) with low $\delta^{11}\text{B}$ values (Fig. 7), so the nature of the host rocks does
13 not exert a controlling influence.

14 In terms of boron reservoirs, the B-isotope values reported are too low to be compatible with
15 an unmodified marine source ($\delta^{11}\text{B} > 0$ ‰; Chaussidon and Appell, 1997; Marschall and Jiang,
16 2011) or a subducting slab (from -5 ‰ to +28 ‰; Marschall *et al.*, 2009, Marocchi *et al.*, 2011).
17 The B-isotope range is instead consistent with, but not diagnostic of, a greenstone source (i.e.,
18 MORB at -7 ± 1 ‰; Marschall *et al.*, 2017), with I-type intermediate magmas (-2 ± 5 ‰;
19 Trumbull and Slack, 2018) or with clastic metamorphic rocks (prograde metamorphic
20 tourmaline: -17‰ to +3 ‰, see Swihart and Moore, 1989; Jiang *et al.*, 2002). In any case, the
21 observed ± 8 ‰ range observed in Val-d'Or tourmaline cannot be explained by any one source
22 type, and so requires a mixed fluid scenario, which is supported by the evidence of the
23 discontinuous pyrite growth described above.

24 O-isotope thermometry from quartz-tourmaline pairs in the QTC veins at the Lamaque-Sigma
25 deposit indicates a range of mineralization temperatures, ranging from approximately 350 to

1 450°C (Beaudoin and Pitre, 2005). Over this 100° C range, the tourmaline-fluid fractionation
2 factors vary by about 1 ‰ (-3.2 ‰ and -2.3 ‰, resp.; using Meyer *et al.*, 2008), so the
3 temperature effect on B isotope values is expected to be minor. Beaudoin and Pitre (2005)
4 excluded temperature variations from explaining regional variations in $\delta^{18}\text{O}$, and proposed the
5 contribution of more than one fluid with an average temperature of 350°C for the QTC veins.
6 The calculated $\delta^{11}\text{B}$ range of hydrothermal fluids is approximately -12.4 ‰ to -4.5 ‰
7 (fractionation factors from Meyer *et al.*, 2008) which is supported by these new B-isotope
8 values and those reported by Beaudoin *et al.* (2013). O-C-H and Sr- isotope ratios of the QTC
9 veins suggest formation from a mixed fluid composed of two components: a prograde
10 metamorphic fluid or a fluid thoroughly equilibrated with the metasedimentary and
11 metavolcanic basement (Fluid 1), and a second fluid (Fluid 2) of supracrustal origin, with a
12 possible marine source, trapped in pores and fractures (Beaudoin and Pitre, 2005; Beaudoin and
13 Chiaradia, 2016). It is important to note that the $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{quartz}}$ values from the Val-d'Or deposits are
14 homogeneous within 11.5 ± 2.3 ‰ in the district, which suggests a decoupling of the boron and
15 oxygen isotope systematics. These $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{quartz}}$ values were attributed to a deep-seated
16 metamorphic fluid source (Beaudoin and Pitre, 2005; Beaudoin and Chiaradia, 2016).
17 Our results support a metamorphic fluid source, and can be explained by a hydrothermal pulse
18 of deep-seated metamorphic fluid (Fluid 1) that rose into the fault system and infiltrated a
19 shallow crustal portion already saturated by an oxidized, B-bearing supracrustal fluid (Fluid 2).
20 This oxidized B-bearing fluid is recorded by the occurrence of barite and a positive Eu anomaly
21 in coexisting tourmaline. At the end of the hydrothermal pulse (Fluid 1), the barren supracrustal
22 fluid became dominant. It changed the redox condition of the environment and, for still
23 unknown reason, stopped gold mineralization (Phase 2). This supracrustal fluid (Fluid 2) could
24 be an evolved metamorphic fluid, which would have interacted with B- and Ba-rich lithologies,
25 such as metasediments, during its rising in the CLLFZ, or a saline supracrustal fluid in the fault

1 system. The $\delta^{11}\text{B}$ fluid values of approximately -12 to -6 ‰ are consistent with a prograde
2 metamorphic fluid from metasedimentary and metavolcanic rocks. The higher $\delta^{11}\text{B}$ fluid values
3 may be explained by mixing with a second fluid. A marine-derived pore fluid, as suggested by
4 earlier studies, would be an excellent source of boron and sulfate, and consistent with the
5 formation of barite and tourmaline. Contemporary to the QTC veins, the marine water source
6 could be linked to the Timiskaming assemblage at 2678-2672 Ma (Davis, 2002). However,
7 even the highest $\delta^{11}\text{B}$ fluid value, of -4.5 ‰, is too low for an unmodified marine-sourced fluid.
8 The original B-isotope composition of pore fluid could be modified by later processes related
9 to diagenesis and metamorphism, but a shift of approximately 20 ‰ would require very
10 extensive exchange with boron in the host rocks. The other, perhaps more likely, hypothesis is
11 that the end-member marine B-isotope signature of Fluid 2 was diluted in the mixed fluid. All
12 that can be concluded with confidence is that isotopically light and heavy fluids contributed to
13 the hydrothermal fluid from which the tourmaline formed. If one fluid had a marine origin, the
14 B-isotope data require that its $\delta^{11}\text{B}$ signature was then modified by extensive exchange with the
15 host rock or that it was diluted by the dominant, isotopically lighter, metamorphic fluid.
16 Concerning the spatial variation, the B-isotope values suggest a difference in fluid proportions
17 in the different parts of the district, which could be caused by varying proximity to the main or
18 subsidiary fault zones that control the hydrodynamics of the system (Beaudoin and Pitre, 2005).
19 Depending on a deposit's location in the district, tourmaline and barite could have formed early
20 in the vein system.

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22 **6. Conclusions**

23 The Val-d'Or mining district remains a key example for understanding of orogenic gold
24 deposit formation processes. The QTC veins across the district resulted from a multi-stage
25 hydrothermal event that took place over a maximum 114 Ma period, between 2680 Ma (Wong

1 *et al.*, 1991) and 2566 ± 71 Ma (Olivo *et al.*, 2007), after the end of the Superior Province
2 accretion (Fig. 8). These results support a three-stage evolution for the QTC vein field. In Phase
3 1, gold mineralization took place early in the QTC vein field formation, in the third-order faults
4 of the CLLFZ. Gold formed during the first hydrothermal pulse, forming disseminated
5 inclusions in the pyrite, alloyed with variable proportions of silver and tellurium, and also as
6 pure gold inclusions. This first fluid pulse involved deep-seated, reduced metamorphic fluids
7 that infiltrated into a shallow crustal segment that was already saturated with an oxidized B-
8 bearing supracrustal fluid. In Phase 2, the waning of the deep-seated fluid pulse enabled the
9 supracrustal fluid to become dominant and this produced a change in the redox conditions, from
10 reduced to oxidized, caused the precipitation of tourmaline and barite, and ended gold
11 mineralization. This supracrustal fluid impacted the entire district, but mixing ratios varying
12 with depth, location in the district, and the interaction time. The different mixing ratios are
13 recorded by variability in the $\delta^{11}\text{B}$ signature of in tourmaline, which range from -15.6‰ to $-$
14 7.7‰ . The mixing ratio and B isotopic variation are not related to the host rock, but rather to
15 their proximity to the main or subsidiary fault zones. Phase 3 involved a new pulse of reduced
16 hydrothermal fluid and/or a decreased proportion of the supracrustal fluid, resulting in a change
17 of fluid conditions from oxidized to reduced. Non-auriferous pyrite crystallized around Pyrite
18 1, tourmaline and barite, with a slower growth rate and Co-As-Ni-rich zonation (Pyrite 2 and
19 3). Tourmaline crystallization continued in those veins with pyrite and quartz but without barite.
20 This three-stage evolution of the Val-d'Or vein field, with the mixing of deep-seated and
21 supracrustal fluids, provides a new perspective to understand polyphase orogenic gold deposits
22 worldwide.

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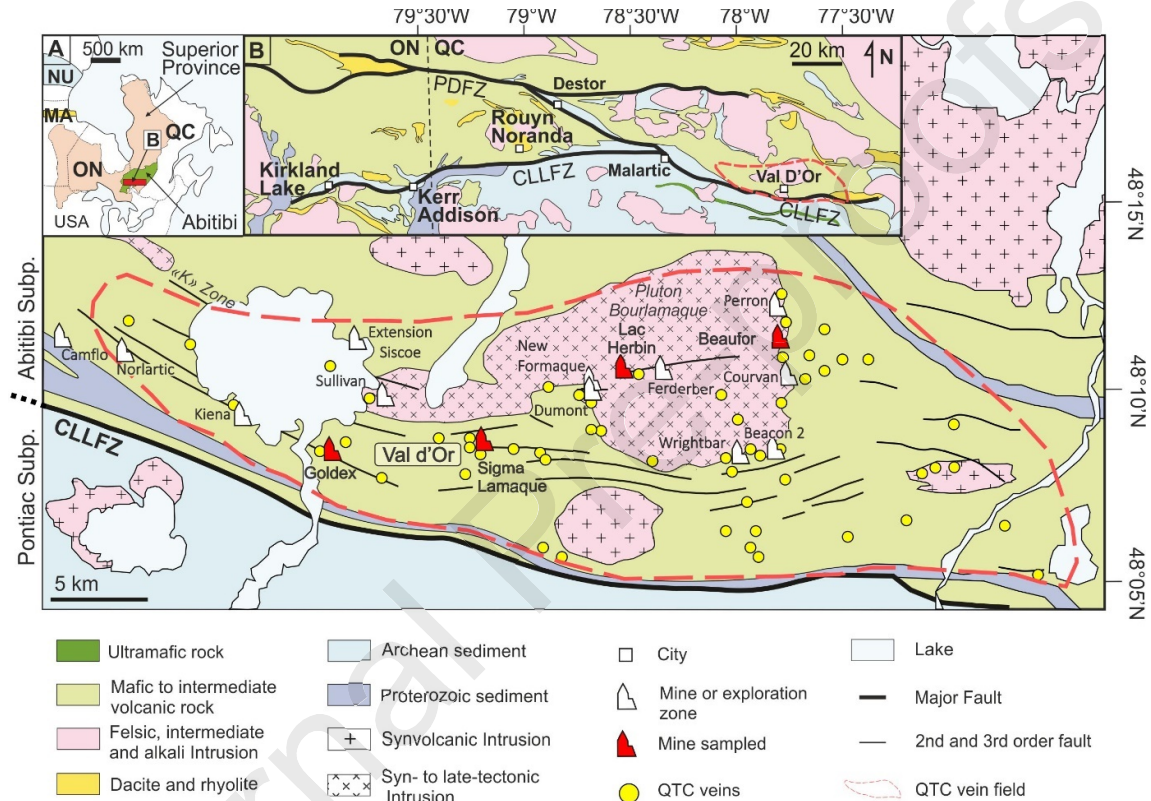
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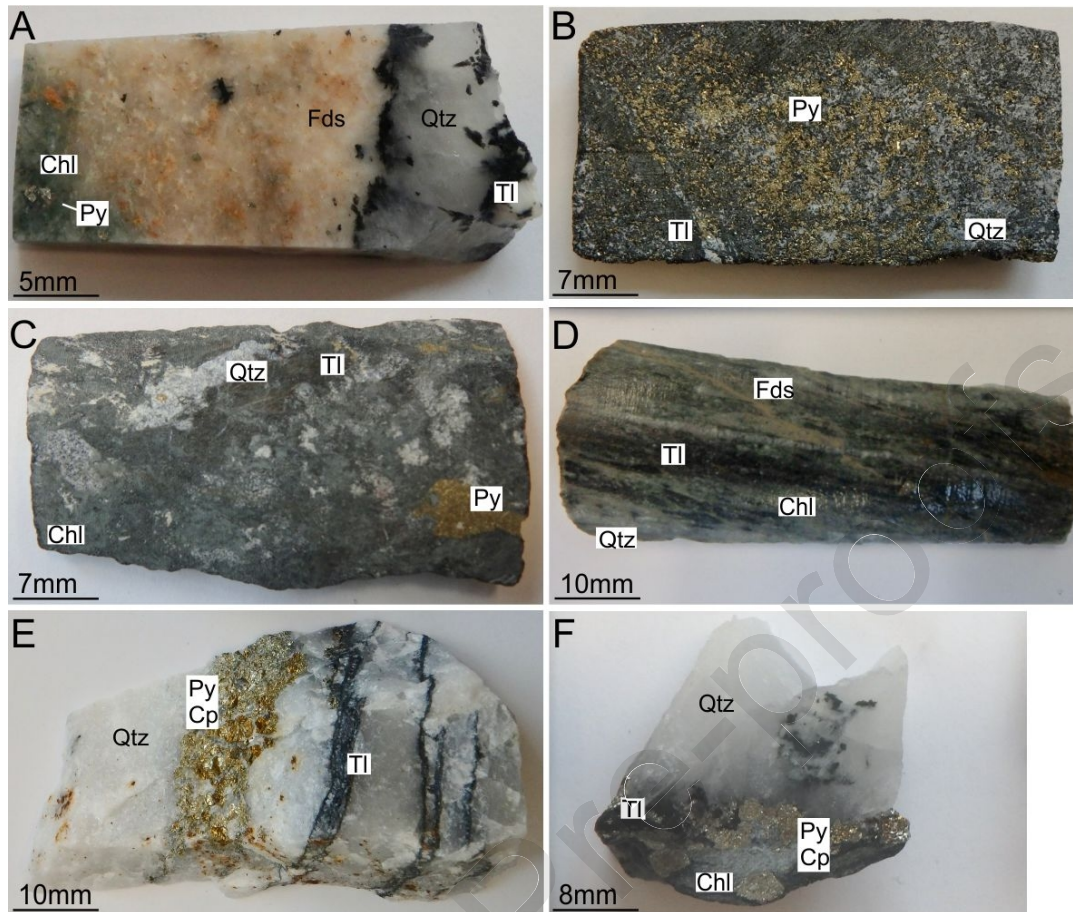
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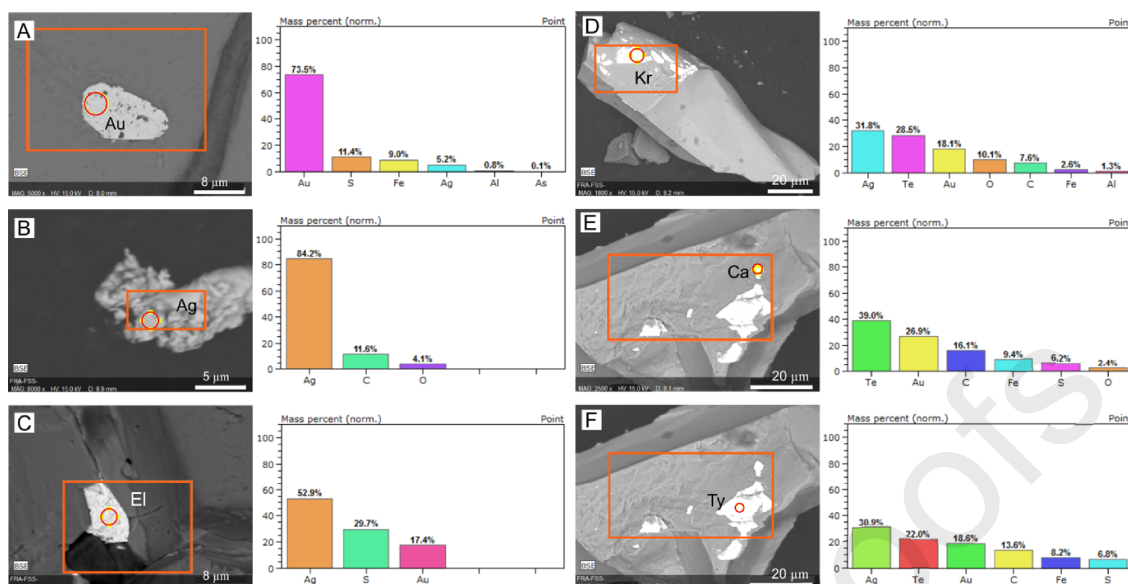
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9 **Figure 1. Simplified map of the Abitibi Greenstone Belt and the Val-d'Or mining district**

- 10 (modified from Neumayr and Hagemmann (2002), Robert *et al.* (2005), and Mériaud and
 11 Jébrak (2017)). Red symbols of a mine shaft represent mines sampled as part of this study,
 12 which all exploit quartz-tourmaline-carbonate (QTC) auriferous veins, represented by yellow
 13 circles. ON = Ontario, QC = Quebec, CLLFZ = Cadillac-Larder Lake fault zone, and PDFZ =
 14 Porcupine-Destor fault zone.

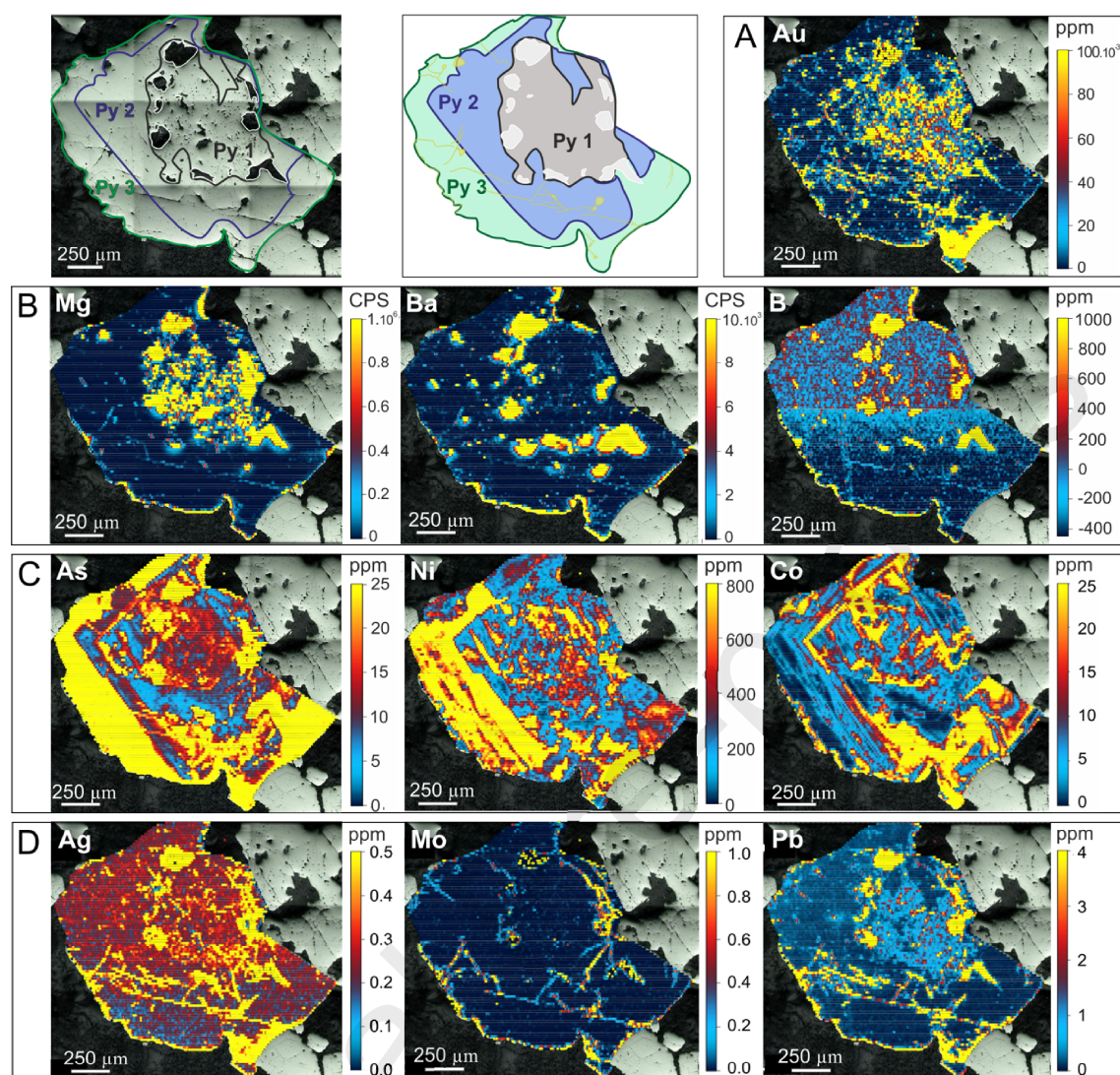


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 2 **Figure 2: Hand sample pictures of investigated vein samples.** (A) quartz-tourmaline vein
 3 with pyrite, K-feldspar, and chlorite in sample 91 from a Goldex mine drill core, (B) quartz-
 4 tourmaline vein with disseminated pyrite in sample 88 from the Lamaque parallel exploration
 5 zone drill core, (C) quartz-tourmaline vein with pyrite and chlorite in sample 85, (D) quartz-
 6 tourmaline vein with chlorite and feldspar veinlets in sample 87 from the same Lamaque
 7 triangle exploration zone drill core, (E) quartz-tourmaline vein with pyrite and chalcopyrite
 8 from the Lac Herbin mine, and (F) quartz-tourmaline vein with pyrite, chalcopyrite, and chlorite
 9 from the Beaufor mine. Py = pyrite, Chl = chlorite, Fds = feldspath, Qtz = quartz, Tl =
 10 tourmaline, and Cp = chalcopyrite.

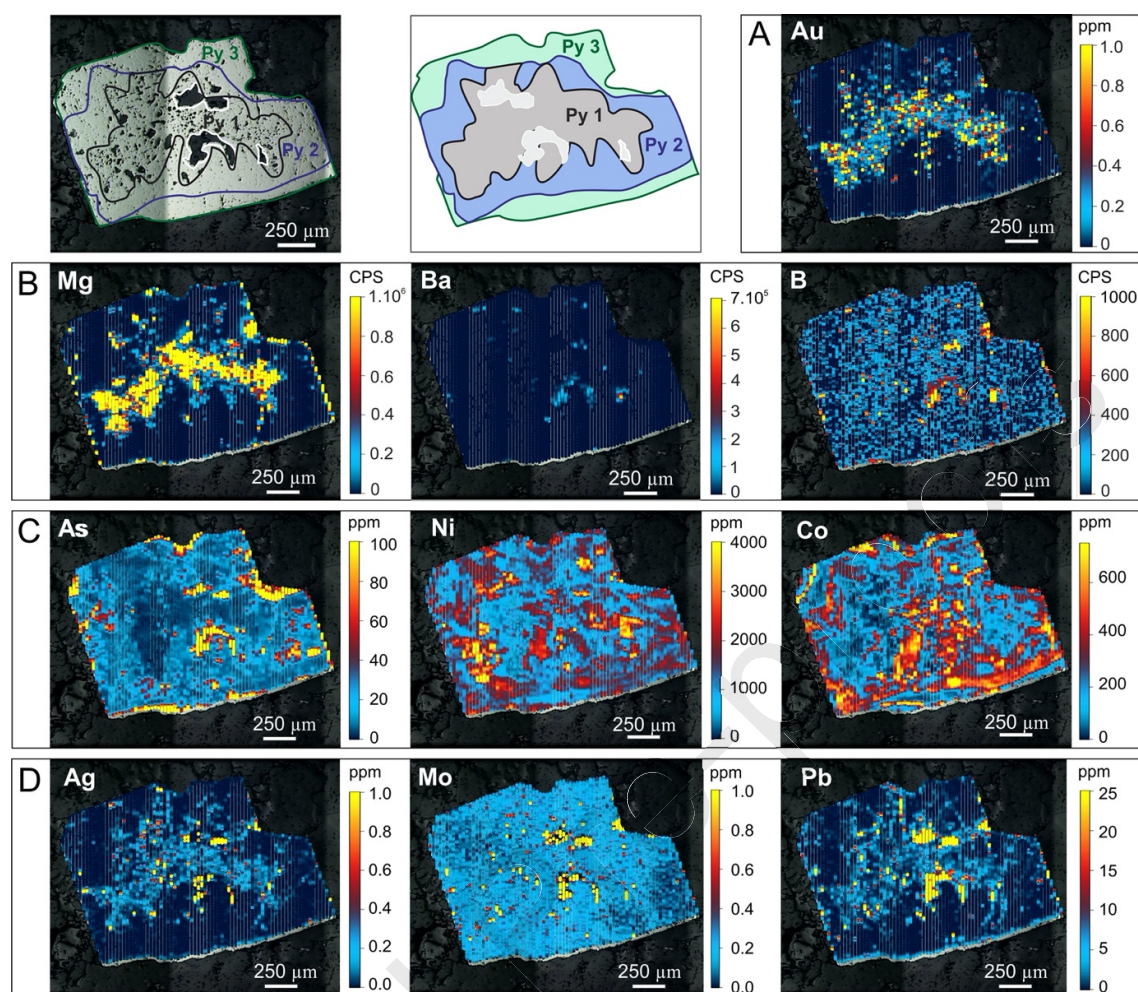


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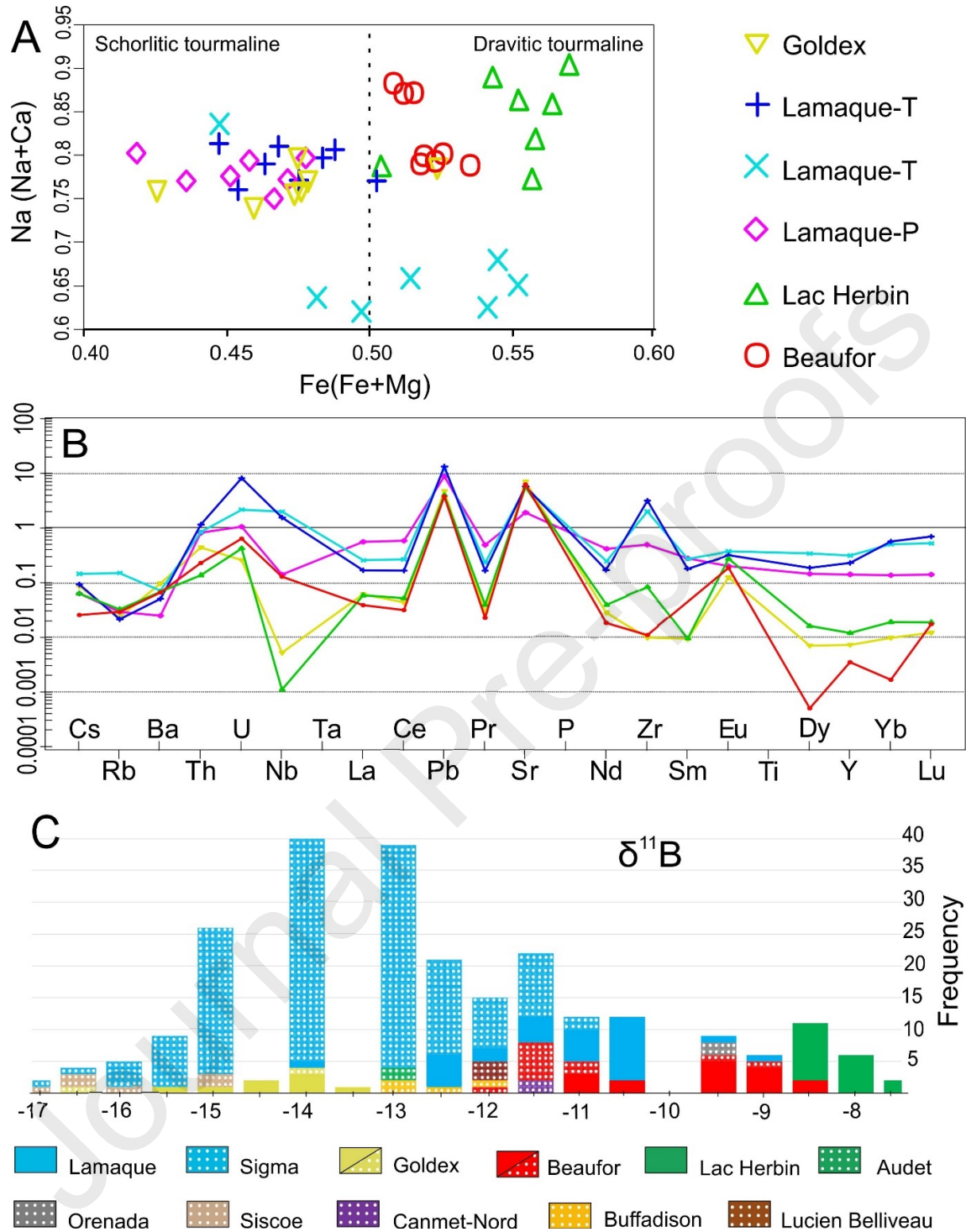
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 2 **Figure 4. Element mapping of Au, Mg, Ba, B, As, Ni, Co, Ag, Mo and Pb by LA-ICP-MS**
 3 **on polyphased pyrite grain from the Lac Herbin deposits.** In the Lac Herbin pyrite, A) Au
 4 occurs as inclusions in the core and is remobilized in late fractures (Au accumulation at the
 5 bottom of Pyrite 3 is an effect of saturation in the fracture), B) while Mg is present only in the
 6 core in the inclusions. Ba and B are concentrated in inclusions at the margin of Pyrite 1 and 2,
 7 and in the dissolution halo of Pyrite 3. C) Pyrite 2 is Co-rich. As and Ni concentrations suggest
 8 a zoning pattern, which forms cubic Pyrites 2 and 3. Pyrite 3 is particularly As-Ni-rich. D) Ag,
 9 Mo, and Pb are concentrated in the fractures, indicating remobilization.



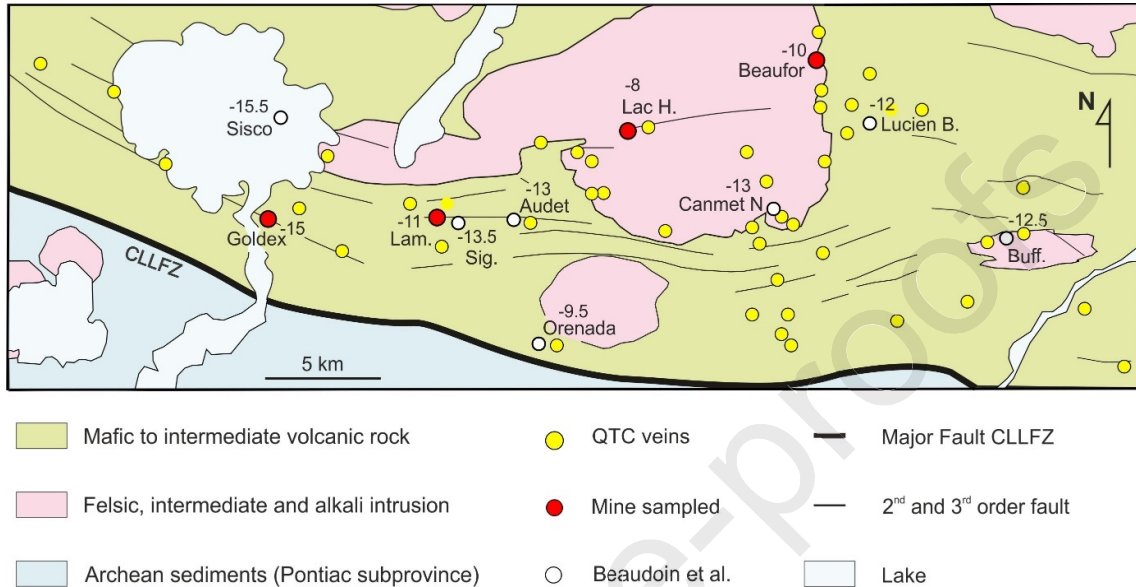
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 3 **on polyphased pyrite grain from Goldex deposits.** The white rim represents the edge of the
 4 pyrite. In the Goldex pyrite, A) Au and B) Mg are concentrated in micro-inclusions in the core
 5 of Pyrite 1. Au concentrations reach 1 ppm. B) Ba and B are more important than in the Lac
 6 Herbin pyrite, and are concentrated in inclusions in the Pyrite 1 dissolution halo, at the outer
 7 grain boundary. C) Pyrite 2 is Co-rich. As and Ni concentrations are higher than in Lac Herbin
 8 pyrite and also suggest a zoning pattern in the outer part of the pyrite, indicating Pyrite 3 (As-
 9 rich). D) There is no indication of fracture and metal remobilization.



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 2 **Figure 6. Geochemical analyses of select Val-d'Or tourmalines.** A) Mg/(Fe+Mg) vs.
 3 Na/(Na+Ca) variations in Val-d'Or tourmaline, with schorl-dravite nomenclature. B) Val-d'Or
 4 tourmaline average trace element compositions plotted on a primitive mantle-normalized
 5 diagram (mantle values from McDonough and Sun (1995)). C) Val-d'Or tourmaline $\delta^{11}\text{B}$ values
 6 in ‰ (analytical error is ± 0.6 ‰, 1 sd). The dotted bars are values from Beaudoin *et al.* (2013).

1 For the Lamaque deposit, the $\delta^{11}\text{B}$ values combine data from the Triangle and Parallel zone
 2 samples. Sigma and Lamaque deposits are geographically close and geochemically related. The
 3 Audet deposit shares the same structure as the Lac Herbin deposit.

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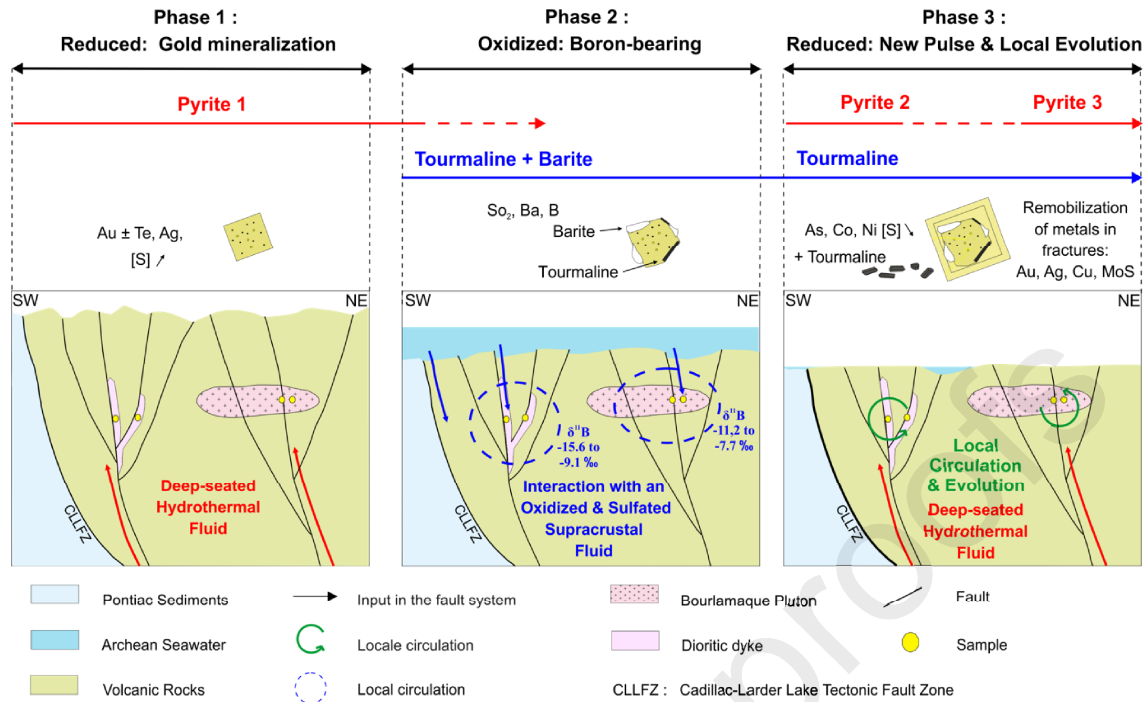
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 7 dots represent locations corresponding with boron isotope analysis from this study and white
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 9 Lucien Belliveau, and Buff. = Buffadison.

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2 **Figure 8. Suggested scenario for quartz-tourmaline-carbonate vein evolution. Phase 1**

3 represents the formation of gold-bearing pyrite from a deep-seated fluid under reducing

4 conditions. Phase 2 involves mixing with an oxidized and supracrustal fluid, indicated by the

5 dissolution of pyrite and the crystallization of barite and tourmaline. Phase 3 corresponds to a

6 return to reducing conditions with the formation of non-auriferous As-Co-Ni-rich cubic

7 pyrite, arsenopyrite, and tourmaline. Yellow circles represent the locations of the sampled

8 QTC veins.

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	Krennerite (Au ₃ AgTe ₈)					
	Tetradymite (Bi ₂ Te ₂ S)					
Tourmaline	Schorl					
	Uvite					
	Dravite					
Barite						
Sulfides	Pyrrhotite (Fe ₇ S ₈)					
	Chalcopyrite (CuFeS ₂)					
	Molybdenite (MoS)					
	Arsenopyrite (FeAsS)					
Quartz						
Carbonate	Calcite					
	Dolomite					
Feldspar	Albite					
	Microcline (K-feldspar)					
Mica	Biotite					
	Muscovite					
Titanite						
Scheelite						
Chlorite						
Rutile						
Hematite						
Apatite						
Zircon						

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Beaufor 10	3.9229	0.09	4.0045	-9.7
Beaufor 11	3.923	0.13	4.0046	-9.6
Beaufor 12	3.924	0.12	4.0056	-9.4
Beaufor 13	3.918	0.15	3.9995	-10.9
Beaufor 14	3.9168	0.15	3.9983	-11.2
Beaufor 15	3.9195	0.15	4.001	-10.5
Beaufor 16	3.9228	0.16	4.0044	-9.7
Beaufor 19 05	3.8293	0.21	3.9993	-10.9
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			St. dev.	0.7
Lac Herbin tourmalines from one sample				
LacHerbin 1	3.9276	0.1	4.0093	-8.5
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LacHerbin 21	3.9277	0.11	4.0094	-8.5
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			St. dev.	0.4
Lamaque Triangle tourmalines from two samples				
85 Lamaque 1	3.8366	0.2	4.0069	-9.1
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			St. dev.	0.6
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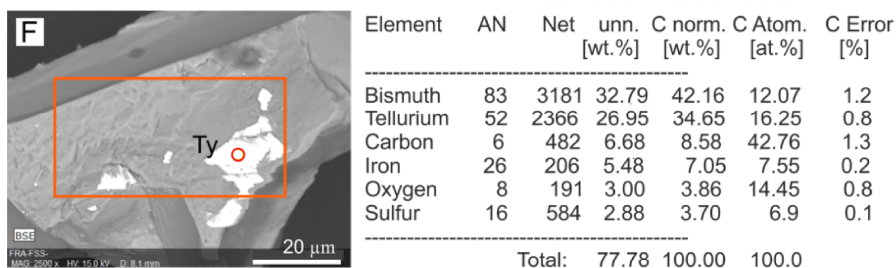
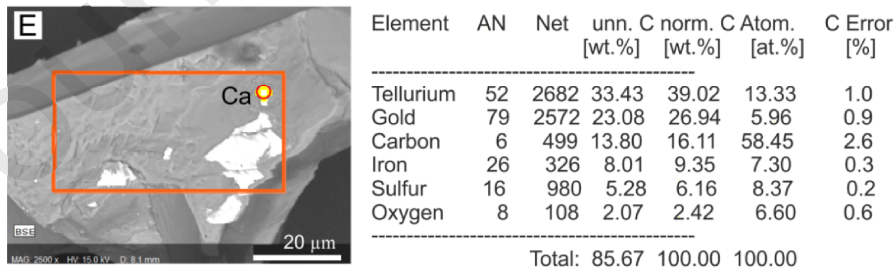
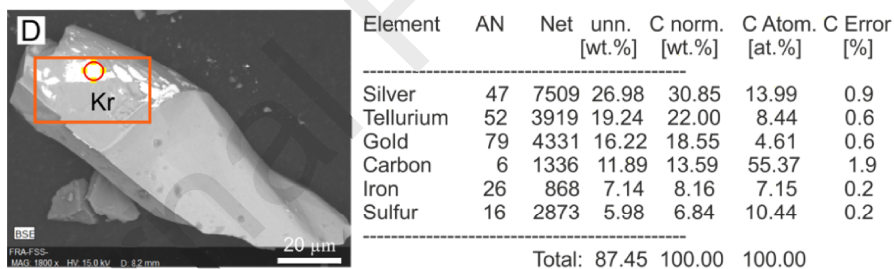
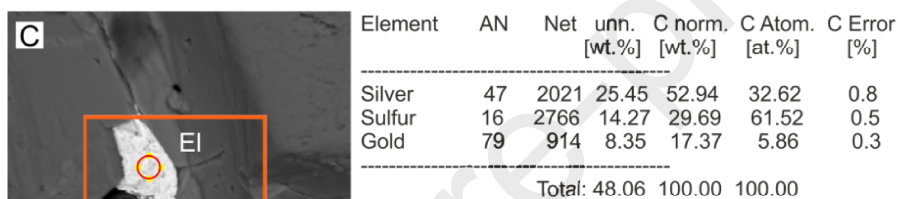
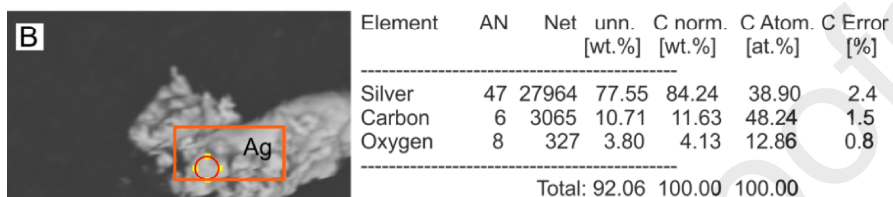
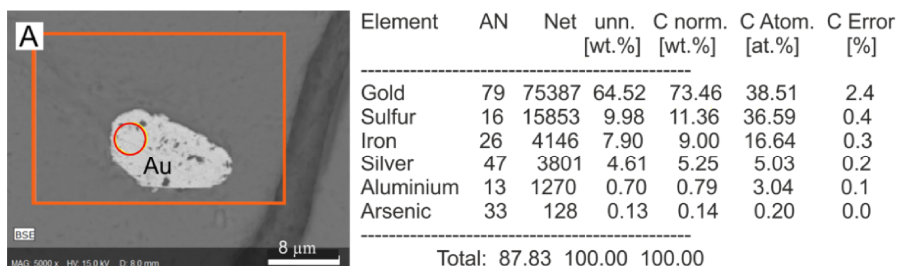
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1 **Highlights –daver et al., 2019**

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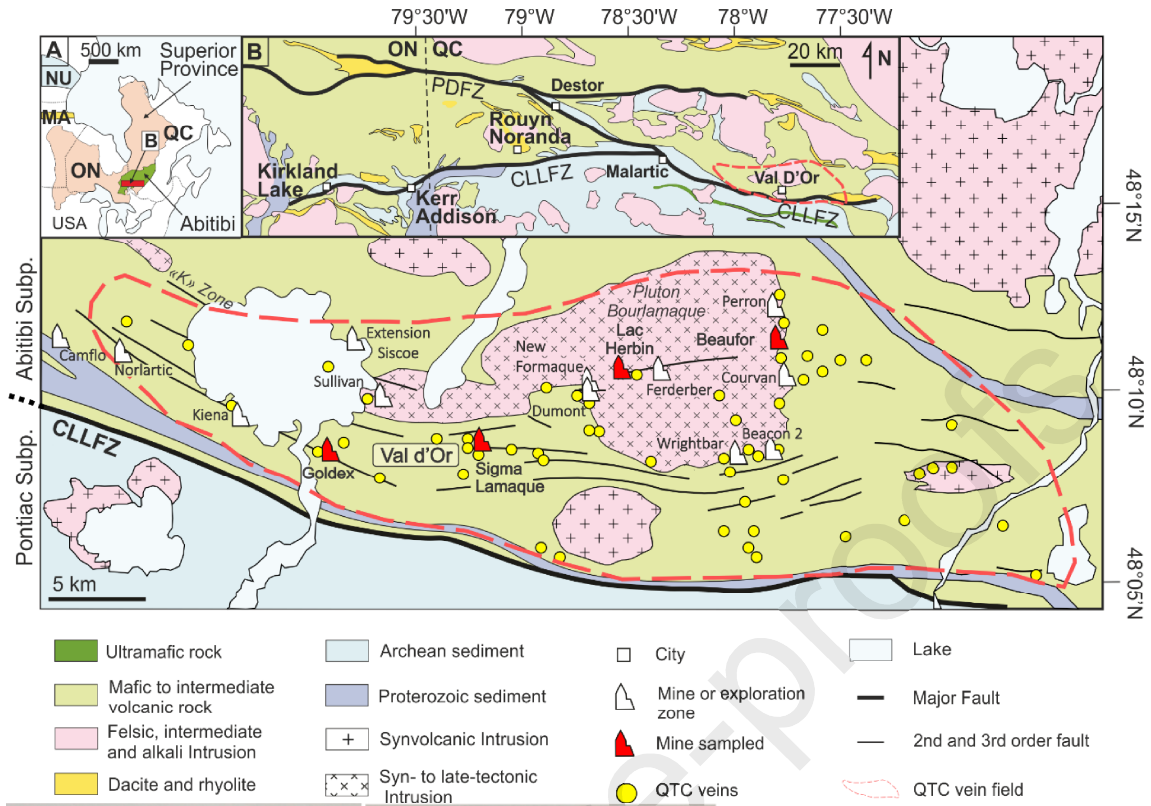
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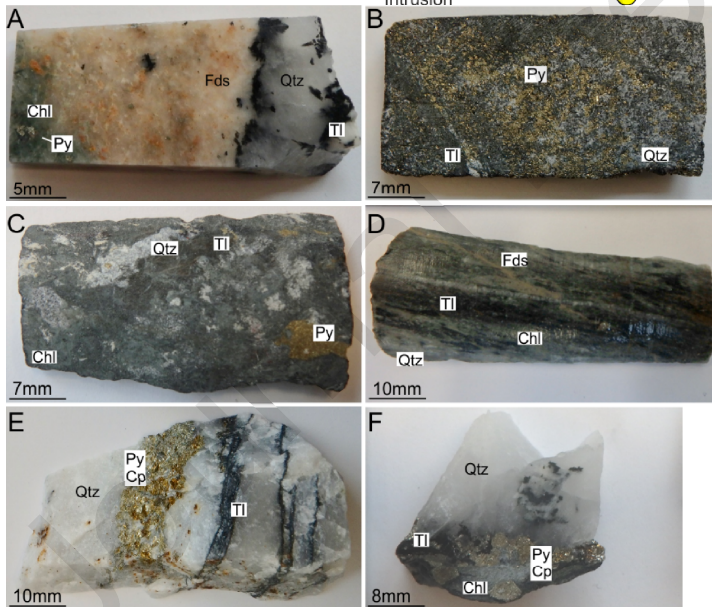
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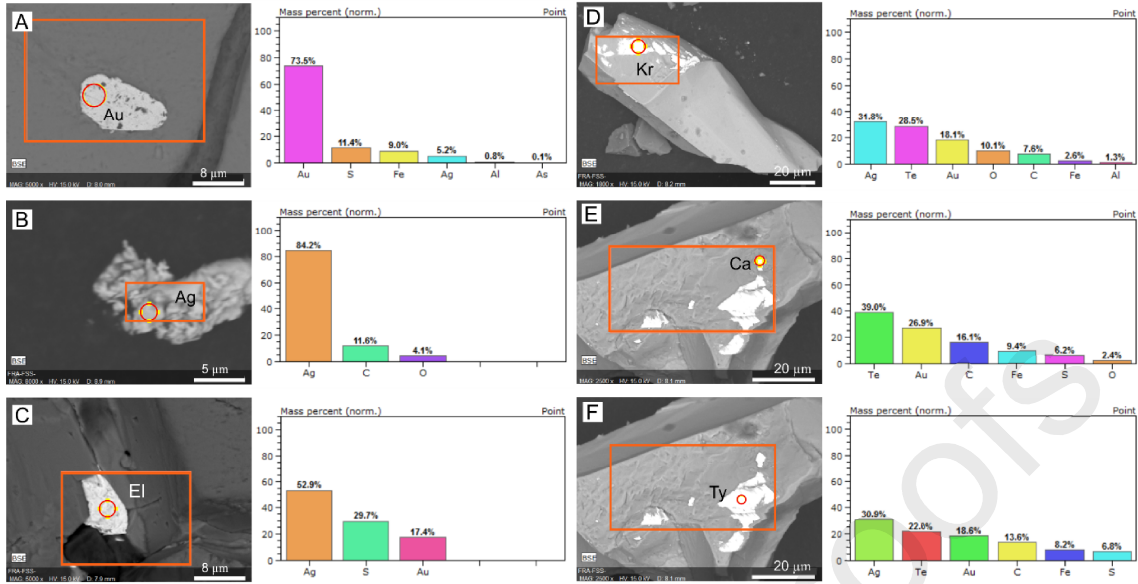
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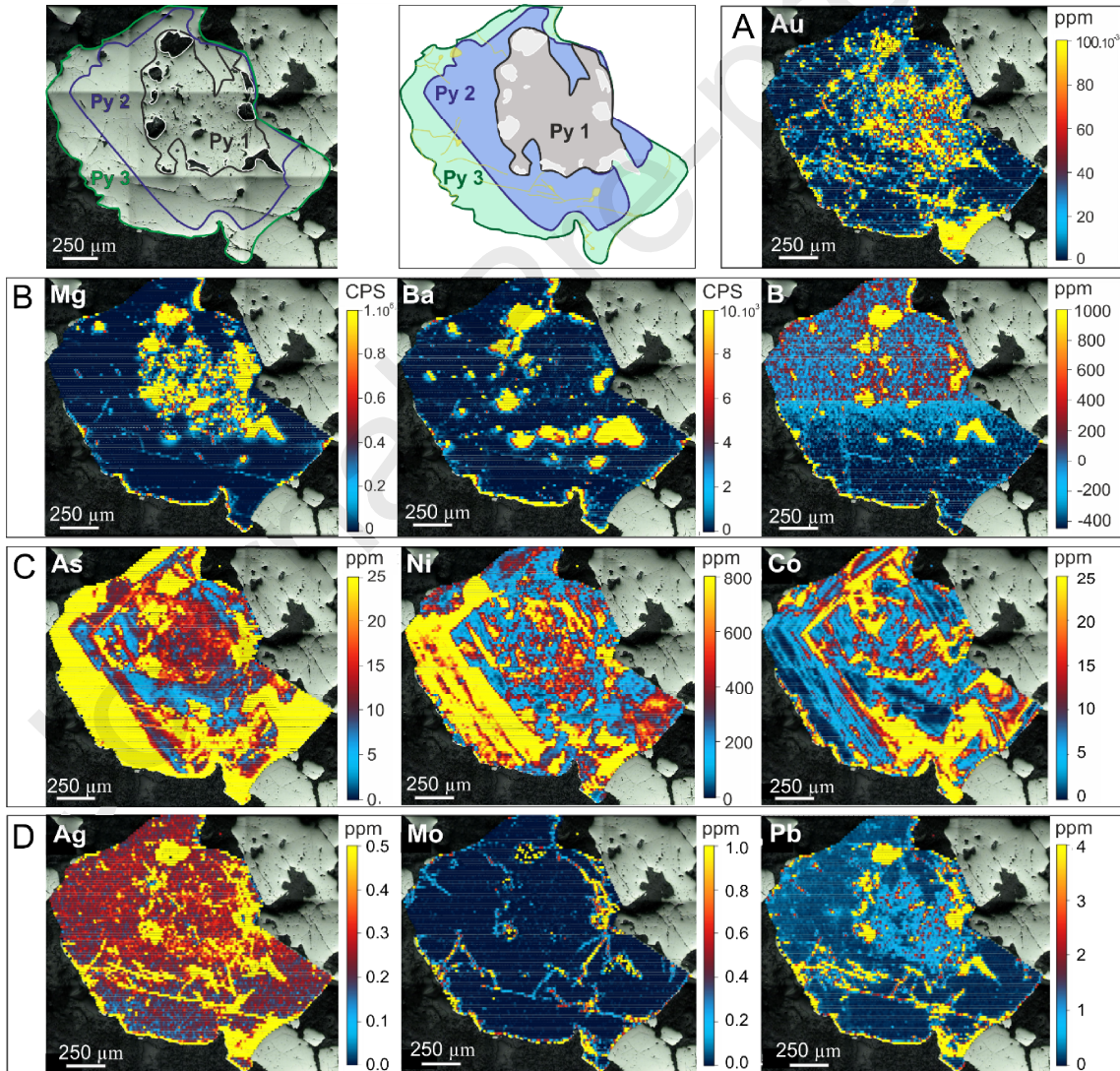
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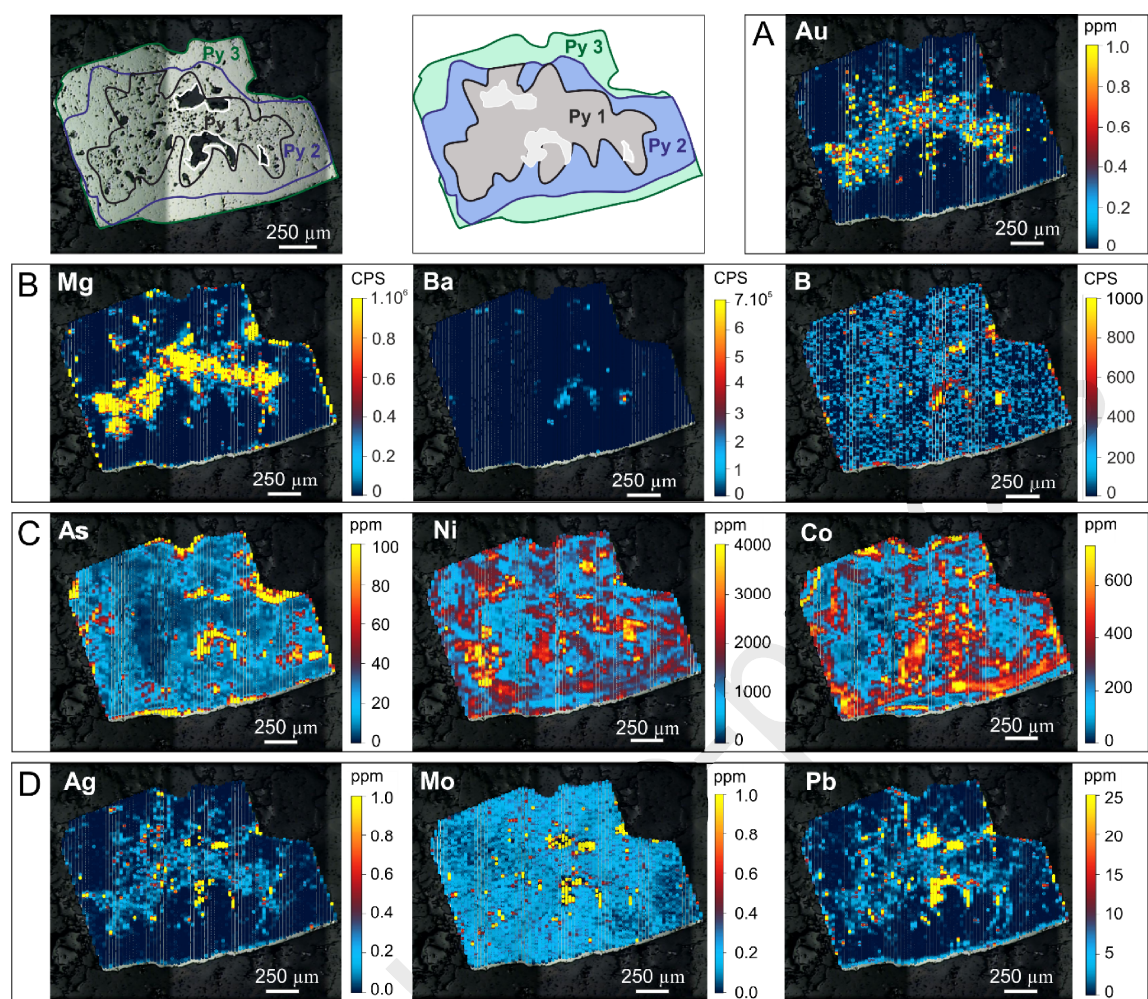
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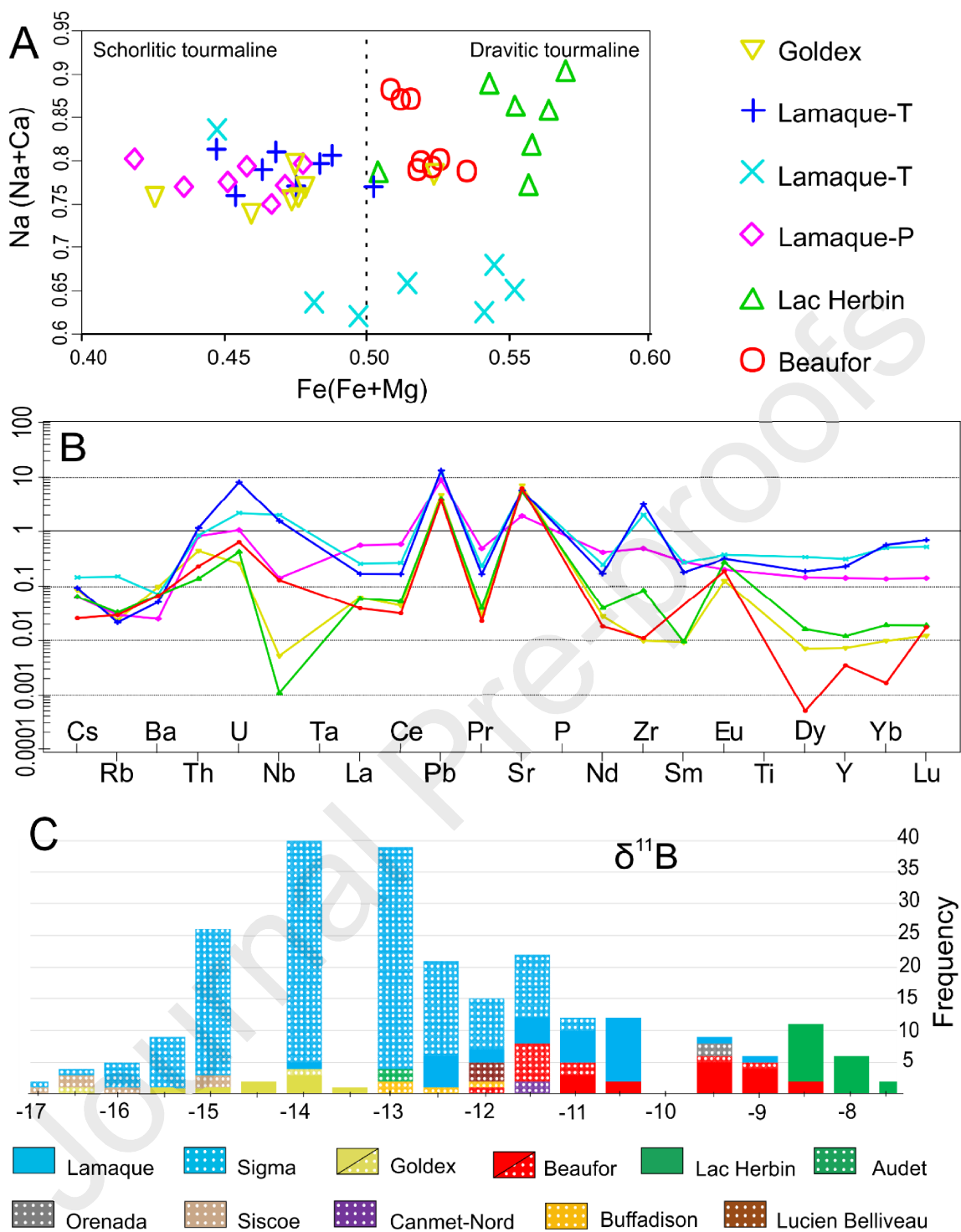


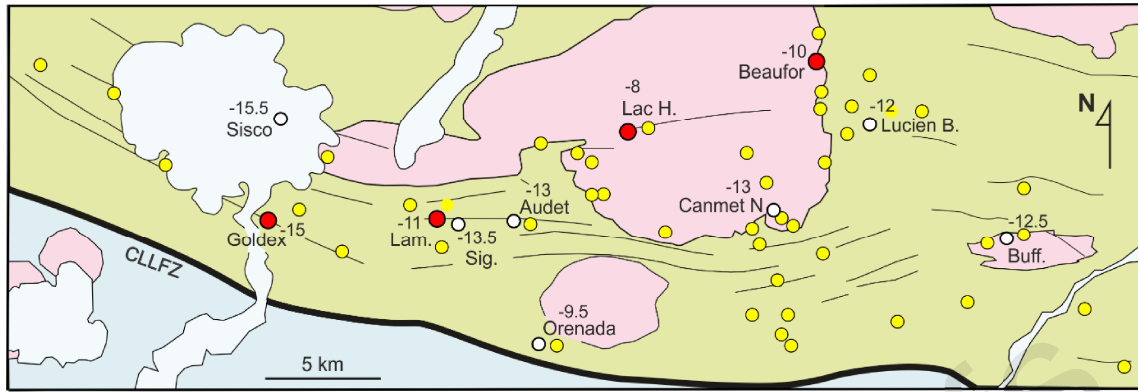
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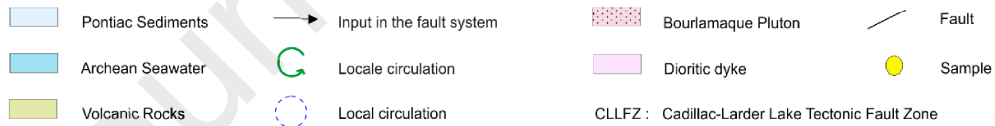
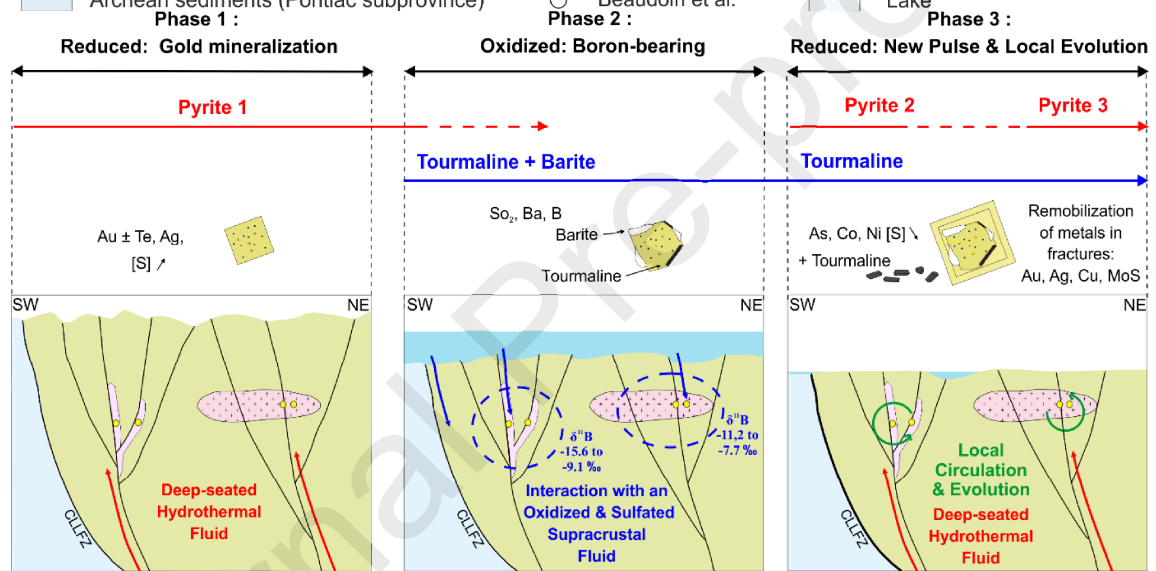
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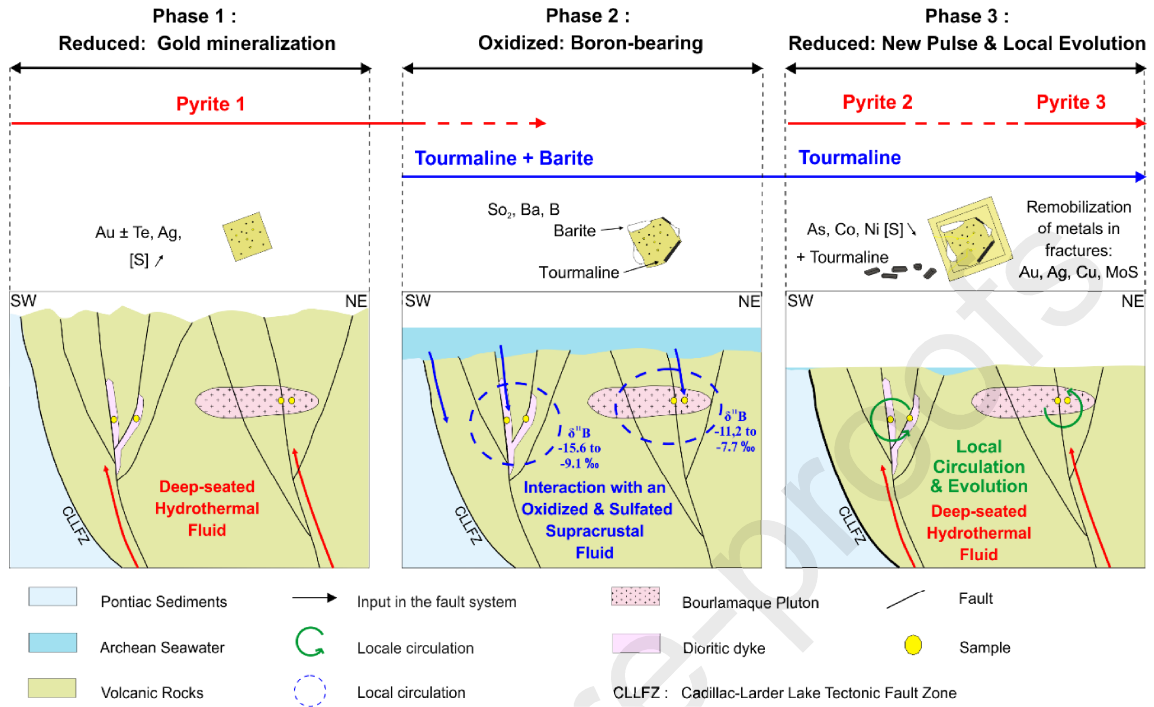


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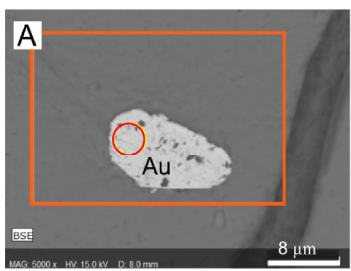
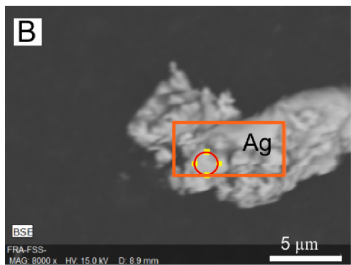
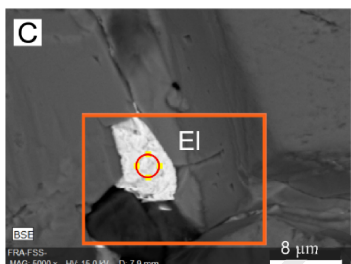
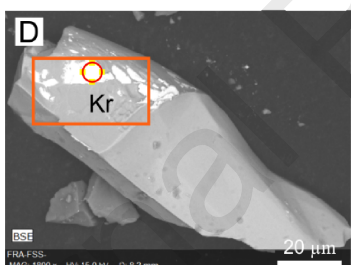
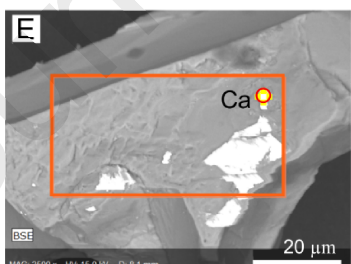
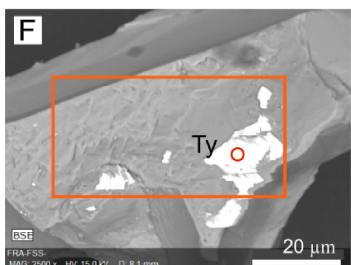
		Goldex	Lam. Parallel	Lam. Triangle	Lac H.	Beaufor
Pyrite Habit	Cubic					
	Sub-euhedral					
	Anhedra					
Metal inclusions in pyrite or isolated	Gold (Au)					
	Silver (Ag)					
	Electrum (Au,Ag)					
Tellurium	Tellurobismuthite					
	Calaverite (AuTe_2)					
	Krennerite (Au_3AgTe_8)					
	Tetradymite ($\text{Bi}_2\text{Te}_2\text{S}$)					
Tourmaline	Schorl					
	Uvite					
	Dravite					
Barite						
Sulfides	Pyrrhotite (Fe_7S_8)					
	Chalcopyrite (CuFeS_2)					
	Molybdenite (MoS)					
	Arsenopyrite (FeAsS)					
Quartz						
Carbonate	Calcite					
	Dolomite					
Feldspar	Albite					
	Microcline (K-feldspar)					
Mica	Biotite					
	Muscovite					
Titanite						
Scheelite						
Chlorite						
Rutile						
Hematite						
Apatite						
Zircon						

■ > 50% of the assemblage

■ Major mineral in the assemblage

■ Minor mineral in the assemblage

1 Table A : SEM-EDX data from Val-d'Or deposit sample grains.

A		Element	AN	Net un.	C norm.	C Atom.	C Error	
				[wt.%]	[wt.%]	[at.%]	[%]	
		Gold	79	75387	64.52	73.46	38.51	2.4
		Sulfur	16	15853	9.98	11.36	36.59	0.4
		Iron	26	4146	7.90	9.00	16.64	0.3
		Silver	47	3801	4.61	5.25	5.03	0.2
		Aluminium	13	1270	0.70	0.79	3.04	0.1
		Arsenic	33	128	0.13	0.14	0.20	0.0
		Total: 87.83 100.00 100.00						
B		Element	AN	Net un.	C norm.	C Atom.	C Error	
				[wt.%]	[wt.%]	[at.%]	[%]	
		Silver	47	27964	77.55	84.24	38.90	2.4
		Carbon	6	3065	10.71	11.63	48.24	1.5
		Oxygen	8	327	3.80	4.13	12.86	0.8
		Total: 92.06 100.00 100.00						
C		Element	AN	Net un.	C norm.	C Atom.	C Error	
				[wt.%]	[wt.%]	[at.%]	[%]	
		Silver	47	2021	25.45	52.94	32.62	0.8
		Sulfur	16	2766	14.27	29.69	61.52	0.5
		Gold	79	914	8.35	17.37	5.86	0.3
		Total: 48.06 100.00 100.00						
D		Element	AN	Net un.	C norm.	C Atom.	C Error	
				[wt.%]	[wt.%]	[at.%]	[%]	
		Silver	47	7509	26.98	30.85	13.99	0.9
		Tellurium	52	3919	19.24	22.00	8.44	0.6
		Gold	79	4331	16.22	18.55	4.61	0.6
		Carbon	6	1336	11.89	13.59	55.37	1.9
		Iron	26	868	7.14	8.16	7.15	0.2
		Sulfur	16	2873	5.98	6.84	10.44	0.2
		Total: 87.45 100.00 100.00						
E		Element	AN	Net un.	C norm.	C Atom.	C Error	
				[wt.%]	[wt.%]	[at.%]	[%]	
		Tellurium	52	2682	33.43	39.02	13.33	1.0
		Gold	79	2572	23.08	26.94	5.96	0.9
		Carbon	6	499	13.80	16.11	58.45	2.6
		Iron	26	326	8.01	9.35	7.30	0.3
		Sulfur	16	980	5.28	6.16	8.37	0.2
		Oxygen	8	108	2.07	2.42	6.60	0.6
		Total: 85.67 100.00 100.00						
F		Element	AN	Net un.	C norm.	C Atom.	C Error	
				[wt.%]	[wt.%]	[at.%]	[%]	
		Bismuth	83	3181	32.79	42.16	12.07	1.2
		Tellurium	52	2366	26.95	34.65	16.25	0.8
		Carbon	6	482	6.68	8.58	42.76	1.3
		Iron	26	206	5.48	7.05	7.55	0.2
		Oxygen	8	191	3.00	3.86	14.45	0.8
		Sulfur	16	584	2.88	3.70	6.9	0.1
		Total: 77.78 100.00 100.00						

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Appendix

Table B: LA-ICP-MS analyses for major, trace and rare earth elements of selected tourmaline samples from Val-d'Or . Si=6 and O=29

Mine	Sample	Major elements																								
		SiO ₂	TiO ₂	Al ₂ O ₃	FeO	MgO	MnO	CaO	Na ₂ O	K ₂ O	Li ₂ O	Cr ₂ O ₃	B ₂ O ₃	H ₂ O	ZnO	Si	Ca	Mg	Fe	Al	K	Ti	Cr	Mn		
		wt%																								
		x10 ⁻³																								
		ppm																								
Goldex	TL-91-1	35.11	0.33	34.42	5.48	7.84	6.30	0.76	2.26	8.30	0.40	128.10	10.17	3.51	15.30	16.98	17336.58	5603.4	48902.4	44045.1	18.8	71.3	2024.0	906.7	50.2	
	TL-91-2	35.92	0.49	34.07	4.65	8.09	7.00	0.69	2.09	5.00	0.50	0.20	10.40	3.59	13.50	16.98	15655.56	4958.2	49360.9	36574.9	18.2	42.2	2968.1	1.7	55.2	
	TL-91-3	36.28	0.27	34.32	5.04	7.18	5.10	0.58	2.19	8.30	0.50	8.90	10.51	3.63	18.80	16.98	16266.84	4126.1	43349.9	39206.8	18.2	69.1	1604.6	61.3	39.4	
	TL-91-4	35.69	0.33	35.87	5.60	6.55	5.20	0.60	2.11	8.10	0.40	98.10	10.18	3.57	12.80	16.98	16181.94	4408.0	40770.9	40503.1	19.6	69.6	2069.9	693.8	41.3	
	TL-91-5	35.69	0.37	34.01	5.14	7.79	7.80	0.80	2.19	6.50	0.20	95.60	10.34	3.51	22.80	16.98	16538.52	5807.2	47798.7	40650.1	18.3	55.2	2248.2	665.6	61.3	
	TL-91-6	36.20	0.35	33.38	5.32	7.55	7.90	0.75	2.26	7.90	0.20	74.90	10.49	3.62	11.20	16.98	16861.14	5360.6	45676.2	41516.1	17.7	65.7	2091.9	514.5	61.6	
	TL-91-7	35.22	0.32	33.24	5.38	7.56	7.70	0.71	2.30	8.50	0.30	135.30	10.49	3.62	11.50	16.98	17132.82	5094.0	45710.2	41974.6	17.6	71.2	1912.0	928.8	59.6	
	TL-91-8	36.97	0.29	34.85	4.65	7.39	5.70	0.62	2.19	9.70	0.40	25.30	10.42	3.59	18.60	16.98	16385.7	4465.7	44997.0	36507.0	18.6	81.5	1742.2	174.9	44.8	
	Lamaque	TL-88-1	33.86	0.23	38.64	4.48	7.01	25.70	0.58	1.94	4.60	1.00	30.80	9.81	3.38	15.40	16.98	15451.8	4465.7	45353.6	37322.0	21.9	41.1	1468.8	225.8	213.8
		TL-88-2	34.94	0.48	37.37	4.42	6.74	24.40	0.51	1.89	4.60	0.90	2.50	10.12	3.49	14.80	16.98	14585.8	3788.2	42246.2	35691.9	20.6	39.4	3005.5	17.7	196.8
TL-88-3		34.82	0.23	37.46	4.77	6.72	26.10	0.50	1.90	4.90	1.20	1.50	10.09	3.48	17.20	16.98	14738.64	3744.1	42263.2	38663.5	20.7	42.5	1419.5	10.4	210.9	
TL-88-4		35.43	0.20	36.80	4.09	7.33	24.50	0.47	1.83	4.00	0.90	18.10	10.26	3.54	9.30	16.98	13940.58	3430.0	45336.6	32601.6	20.0	34.3	1234.4	126.7	194.3	
TL-88-5		34.24	0.18	39.13	4.06	6.77	26.20	0.51	1.65	4.00	1.10	105.70	9.92	3.42	4.70	16.98	12972.72	3854.5	43299.0	33450.6	22.0	35.3	1159.7	767.5	215.5	
TL-88-6		33.82	0.26	37.07	4.60	6.74	25.20	2.43	1.87	3.50	1.20	1.20	9.80	3.38	13.60	16.98	14891.4	18678.0	43638.6	38374.8	21.1	31.0	1653.9	9.0	209.9	
TL-88-7		35.68	0.31	36.33	4.55	6.58	24.30	0.61	2.00	4.20	1.00	1.10	10.34	3.57	14.60	16.98	15078.24	4448.8	40395.4	36031.6	19.6	35.1	1900.1	7.8	191.5	
TL-88-8		34.54	0.64	36.85	4.88	7.19	47.90	0.61	1.76	4.90	0.60	21.20	10.00	3.45	10.10	16.98	13736.82	4572.7	45625.3	39903.0	20.5	43.1	4041.2	152.8	390.5	
Triangle		TL-87-1	34.06	0.27	33.96	6.21	6.48	27.50	1.11	1.99	6.50	1.90	9.90	9.87	3.40	11.20	16.98	15774.42	8456.0	41702.9	51449.4	19.2	57.4	1838.4	72.2	227.5
TL-87-2		34.54	3.72	33.40	5.50	6.69	24.20	0.93	1.73	5.90	1.20	3.00	10.00	3.45	10.00	16.98	13482.12	6978.8	42450.0	44997.0	18.6	51.4	2343.4	26.3	197.0	
TL-87-3	36.34	1.58	30.92	5.33	5.82	26.60	1.16	1.86	10.30	1.90	12.70	11.11	3.83	11.10	16.98	13091.58	7844.8	33229.9	39240.8	15.5	80.7	8948.5	82.0	195.3		
TL-87-4	34.86	2.81	33.22	6.22	6.69	21.40	0.84	1.73	15.90	2.50	11.10	10.10	3.48	11.20	16.98	13346.2	6282.6	42008.5	50345.2	18.3	137.5	17557.3	79.0	173.0		
TL-87-5	33.65	1.68	36.80	5.08	7.04	16.60	0.97	1.63	10.00	2.00	6.70	9.75	3.36	6.90	16.98	13074.6	7471.2	45846.0	42619.8	21.0	90.0	10867.2	49.2	138.9		
TL-87-6	37.13	0.36	35.02	3.71	5.90	20.80	0.57	2.81	4.90	1.20	12.80	10.76	3.11	11.60	16.98	20376	3990.3	34809.0	28186.8	18.1	39.7	2105.5	85.4	157.9		
TL-87-7	30.96	2.63	33.91	6.50	6.47	112.10	5.53	1.79	4.60	1.90	21.50	8.97	3.09	17.80	16.98	15621.6	46355.4	45778.1	59260.2	21.1	44.7	18508.2	172.7	1018.8		
TL-87-8	36.50	0.53	33.47	5.05	6.58	24.00	1.40	2.20	14.10	1.70	7.90	10.57	3.65	7.30	16.98	16249.86	9933.3	39478.5	39054.0	17.6	116.7	3173.6	53.5	185.1		
TL-85-1	35.45	0.48	35.22	5.14	7.07	11.30	0.59	2.22	7.40	1.70	13.00	10.27	3.54	48.70	16.98	16861.14	4287.5	43672.6	40938.8	19.1	63.0	2920.6	91.4	90.0		
TL-85-2	34.28	0.36	37.24	5.32	6.78	11.80	0.62	2.02	6.90	1.80	1.10	9.93	3.43	51.60	16.98	15876.3	4720.4	43333.0	43791.4	20.9	60.5	2268.5	7.8	97.1		
TL-85-3	35.91	0.38	34.95	4.78	7.12	10.20	0.61	2.23	6.60	2.10	1.30	10.40	3.59	59.60	16.98	16708.32	4438.6	43451.8	37576.7	18.7	55.1	2321.2	9.3	79.8		
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TL-85-6	35.28	0.83	35.93	4.48	7.14	11.90	0.50	2.09	5.40	1.90	2.30	10.22	3.53	57.10	16.98	15927.24	3650.7	44317.8	35878.7	19.6	46.5	5094.0	16.0	94.6		
TL-85-7	35.38	0.44	35.74	4.94	7.02	11.00	0.63	2.04	6.10	2.00	20.30	10.25	3.54	43.60	16.98	15553.68	4601.6	43468.8	39393.6	19.4	52.3	2679.4	142.6	87.5		
TL-85-8	34.47	2.37	35.13	4.60	7.13	12.30	0.69	2.10	5.60	1.90	53.00	9.99	3.45	66.60	16.98	16436.64	5178.9	45336.6	37695.6	19.6	49.4	14942.4	382.1	100.5		
Lac Herbin	TL-73-1	34.69	0.41	35.36	6.40	6.56	14.20	0.71	2.31	13.00	1.30	0.40	10.05	3.47	12.80	16.98	17964.84	5314.7	41431.2	52128.6	19.6	113.4	2597.9	2.7	115.3	
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	TL-73-5	36.69	0.17	34.83	5.94	5.78	5.00	0.23	2.04	5.90	1.30	16.60	10.63	3.67	12.40	16.98	14976.36	1602.9	34486.4	45744.1	18.3	48.7	1015.4	112.7	38.7	
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	TL-10-1	34.90	0.65	34.22	6.24	7.33	14.10	0.65	2.39	12.90	0.80	1.80	10.11	3.49	7.40	16.98	18440.28	4798.5	45998.8	50481.5	18.8	111.0	4075.2	12.6	113.4	
	TL-10-2	35.06	0.48	34.59	6.06	7.23	14.20	0.59	2.28	15.90	0.70	5.50	10.16	3.50	6.90	16.98	145166.8	4387.6	45166.8	48800.5	19.0	136.9	3003.8	39.2	113.6	
	TL-10-3	34.83	0.52	34.70	6.09	7.29	13.60	0.64	2.33	13.10	0.70	1.90	10.09	3.48	7.70	16.98	18015.76	4788.4	45863.0	49343.9	19.2	113.4	3243.2	13.8	109.7	
TL-10-4	35.34	0.13	35.48	5.69	7.09	10.90	0.30	2.18	8.40	0.70	17.80	10.24	3.53	11.40	16.98	16589.46	2190.4	43927.3	45438.5	19.3	71.3	789.6	125.5	86.9		
TL-10-5	34.64	0.17	36.34	5.73	7.03	15.80	0.34	2.22	11.70	0.70	3.10	10.03	3.46	9.10	16.98	17251.68	2550.4	44487.6	46695.0	20.2	101.7	1095.2	22.2	128.7		
TL-10-6	34.71	0.46	35.35	6.14	6.86	14.20	0.64	2.28	14.60	0.90	5.00	10.06	3.47	10.90	16.98	17693.16	4754.4	44399.0	49921.2	19.6	126.8	2901.9	36.0	114.8		
TL-10-7	34.80	0.20	36.57	5.63	6.81	12.10	0.32	2.09	8.00	0.80	1.00	10.08	3.48	10.40	16.98	16181.94	2370.4	42874.5	45676.2	20.2	68.9	1282.0</				

Mine	Sample	Trace element																														
		Co	Li	Be	Sc	Ni	Cu	V	Zn	Ga	Rb	Sr	Y	Zr	Nb	Mo	Ag	Cd	In	Sn	Sb	Cs	Ba	Hf	W	Au	Tl	Pb	Bi	Th	U	
		ppm																														
		x10 ⁻²	x10 ⁻³																				x10 ⁻⁵							x10 ⁻³	x10 ⁻³	x10 ⁻³
Goldex	TL-91-1	0.37	1.78	0.00	45.08	177.95	3.14	456.76	122.77	57.39	3.4	784.48	0.00	0.11	0.00	0.000	0.058	0.082	0.071	0.885	0.048	2.5	2.61	0	0.00	0	2.7	3.84	83.2	0	0.1	
	TL-91-2	1.06	2.14	0.21	28.34	194.25	1.95	448.27	108.16	43.83	2.78	443.18	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.000	0.158	0.033	0.406	0.022	0	0.56	0	0.02	0	6.1	2.22	63.3	3.9	0.2		
	TL-91-3	0.70	2.47	0.44	24.76	107.99	2.04	450.82	151.29	51.40	4.25	735.23	0.03	0.06	0.02	0.037	0.061	0.095	0.050	0.696	0.051	6.3	1.19	0	0.02	0.0815	8.2	3.58	90	781.1	90	
	TL-91-4	1.24	1.85	4.13	56.37	141.61	3.97	641.67	162.67	58.75	3.51	998.42	0.25	0.11	0.01	0.000	0.032	0.195	0.092	0.735	0.166	9	1.51	7.3	0.11	0.0679	2.2	4.58	60.8	28.9	7.5	
	TL-91-5	0.40	1.15	0.24	52.98	140.59	1.97	449.46	102.73	51.14	2.39	714.86	0.07	0.03	0.01	0.000	0.027	0.117	0.078	0.808	0.066	2.2	1.95	0	0.03	0.0068	7.8	2.90	59.3	10.2	0.2	
	TL-91-6	1.03	1.15	0.07	37.08	144.67	2.36	442.67	89.82	47.90	2.05	745.42	0.04	0.09	0.01	0.000	0.059	0.051	0.052	0.791	0.053	8.3	2.26	0	0.03	0.0204	4.6	3.21	42.1	90	13.4	
	TL-91-7	0.64	1.29	0.07	37.42	145.01	5.84	475.44	92.03	52.13	3.74	653.73	0.10	1.17	0.01	0.029	0.078	0.019	0.076	0.931	0.035	13.1	2.94	6.1	0.05	0	13.4	2.99	61.1	12.9	20.4	
	TL-91-8	0.28	1.77	0.34	39.05	91.69	3.74	436.39	149.76	56.20	5.09	794.66	0.03	0.19	0.00	0.000	0.043	0.061	0.063	0.849	0.037	0	1.88	6.5	0.02	0.0441	12.2	4.50	91.7	84.9	6.8	
	Lamaque	TL-88-1	0.67	5.16	1.24	22.14	17.10	2.75	251.98	123.44	40.23	2.6	182.87	1.66	0.09	0.00	0.000	0.053	0.311	0.109	1.754	0.037	9.5	0.00	0	0.01	0.0425	12.1	5.89	146	764.1	23.8
		TL-88-2	0.61	4.25	1.61	17.47	17.29	2.45	245.70	118.52	38.00	3.06	175.91	0.15	3.06	2.14	0.000	0.034	0.149	0.117	2.292	0.109	3.2	0.09	69.6	2.46	0.0187	8.7	5.21	122.3	25.5	8
TL-88-3		0.82	5.93	1.14	11.21	25.47	2.46	232.63	137.88	37.19	2.63	178.29	0.23	0.28	0.00	0.000	0.073	0.206	0.060	1.552	0.053	6.8	0.20	0	0.01	0.0187	3.6	5.21	88.5	17.1	7.8	
TL-88-4		0.61	4.26	1.21	30.67	13.92	6.64	199.85	74.71	32.77	10.19	141.27	0.17	1.32	0.01	0.153	0.071	0.255	0.090	1.885	0.146	7.3	0.83	4.4	0.05	0.1749	10.7	22.24	322.6	237.7	164.7	
TL-88-5		1.07	5.33	0.83	15.62	36.51	14.79	201.72	37.70	33.96	3.74	178.29	0.37	2.89	0.00	0.000	0.204	0.000	0.086	1.953	0.122	0	0.66	59.4	0.03	0.1409	17	3.72	217.3	26.1	22.1	
TL-88-6		1.05	5.94	0.08	20.19	20.04	4.69	255.72	109.18	38.71	3.57	118.01	1.89	137.54	0.03	0.577	0.061	0.241	0.136	2.751	0.039	0	0.53	4075.2	0.18	0.0306	1.5	4.16	157.9	933.9	424.5	
TL-88-7		1.03	4.82	1.77	20.27	16.90	3.45	274.91	117.33	41.26	3.06	137.88	0.38	2.39	0.06	0.019	0.026	0.024	0.129	2.411	0.037	1.2	0.11	69.6	0.10	0.0119	9	4.33	47.9	17	16.1	
TL-88-8		1.29	3.07	6.23	23.26	21.73	15.79	244.34	81.33	34.52	5.77	210.38	0.10	2.04	0.02	0.132	0.139	0.041	0.117	2.460	0.100	1.2	0.75	52.6	0.06	0.0543	7.3	6.20	346.4	5.3	9	
Triangle		TL-87-1	19.31	9.25	7.86	40.07	71.66	4.33	740.33	89.82	23.64	13.07	665.62	4.41	69.62	6.96	0.000	0.083	0.124	0.022	0.798	1.358	6.8	0.71	1935.7	39.22	-0.0688	19.2	11.80	198.7	180	210.6
		TL-87-2	27.34	9.22	0.87	32.43	31.07	6.49	736.93	80.66	25.25	12.4	514.49	1.87	88.47	12.74	0.000	0.117	0.121	0.032	1.274	1.681	0	0.49	3073.4	50.60	0.0509	12.1	10.77	220.7	140.9	259.8
	TL-87-3	23.69	8.22	4.86	32.75	36.17	3.04	607.37	89.31	18.80	31.07	516.53	0.76	10.88	3.11	0.058	0.073	0.679	0.023	0.469	0.662	19.2	1.22	312.4	16.98	0.0645	7.3	9.34	171.5	91.7	63.2	
	TL-87-4	23.35	11.99	5.09	34.54	33.79	4.84	669.01	90.33	22.89	35.69	640.15	5.62	264.89	8.42	0.000	0.136	0.136	0.030	1.335	1.031	21.4	1.72	8065.5	42.28	0.0221	16	11.31	222.4	385.4	436.4	
	TL-87-5	36.17	10.26	0.63	29.63	41.43	6.01	594.30	55.35	22.86	39.39	480.53	10.87	99.50	4.70	0.000	0.117	0.088	0.040	0.897	0.611	7.3	2.33	2665.9	17.66	0.0475	16.1	9.51	239.4	76.4	113.8	
	TL-87-6	0.35	5.45	0.29	14.13	11.04	4.13	163.17	93.56	30.56	16.3	110.20	4.25	0.68	1.95	0.058	0.117	0.172	0.066	1.562	0.053	10.4	1.27	45.8	2.22	0.073	14.1	4.08	171.5	730.1	54.3	
	TL-87-7	33.45	10.36	1.36	53.66	55.52	4.04	809.95	143.14	29.36	10.19	708.07	8.73	202.06	7.95	0.041	0.148	0.730	0.065	1.038	1.970	8.3	0.66	5569.4	46.86	0.0425	14.1	12.72	178.3	497.5	377	
	TL-87-8	28.78	7.78	4.47	31.07	33.28	4.58	601.09	58.92	21.28	44.15	772.59	0.29	5.04	0.14	0.000	0.132	0.014	0.027	0.521	0.083	1.7	2.04	129	0.41	0.0526	2.2	7.02	156.2	13.8	18.2	
	TL-85-1	1.90	8.01	0.95	50.43	25.81	4.91	469.33	391.39	39.12	2.56	621.47	2.58	159.61	0.47	0.017	0.216	0.105	0.051	0.654	0.216	0	0.39	4866.5	4.77	0.1223	4.4	11.89	230.9	259.8	541.7	
	TL-85-2	1.94	8.95	0.73	59.77	43.30	3.09	437.07	414.48	35.73	3.19	619.77	0.02	0.19	0.00	0.000	0.066	0.112	0.047	0.363	0.082	5.3	0.41	0	0.01	0.034	5.4	7.22	137.5	0	0	
TL-85-3	0.58	9.97	0.78	75.73	17.18	4.02	504.82	478.84	42.08	3.77	584.79	0.67	24.11	0.05	0.036	0.054	0.328	0.046	0.679	0.178	9.3	1.39	650.3	0.58	0	7	10.88	93.1	81.5	107		
TL-85-4	1.12	10.10	0.92	88.98	16.30	5.96	618.07	550.15	45.00	2.05	584.11	10.53	579.02	20.72	0.053	0.238	0.445	0.062	2.292	3.719	10.7	1.41	16844.2	146.03	0.0204	8	14.72	154.5	1511.2	3022.4		
TL-85-5	1.38	9.12	0.46	63.34	20.65	4.31	474.25	511.10	41.31	3.4	592.60	3.07	146.03	0.62	0.054	0.116	0.391	0.026	0.399	0.180	7.5	0.63	4516.7	4.55	0	12.4	11.68	215.6	341.3	823.5		
TL-85-6	1.26	9.08	0.71	60.96	16.93	5.14	477.14	458.46	41.26	3.57	421.10	3.09	149.42	2.63	0.000	0.083	0.160	0.044	0.815	0.584	0	0.62	3446.9	20.72	0.0272	11.7	8.95	213.9	288.7	631.7		
TL-85-7	1.90	9.41	0.65	41.94	37.70	4.60	438.08	350.30	38.05	2.38	599.39	0.48	31.41	0.12	0.000	0.093	0.151	0.034	0.530	0.112	0	0.19	849	1.21	0.0323	6.8	10.41	356.6	56	163		
TL-85-8	0.91	9.46	0.68	101.03	17.66	4.58	565.43	534.87	45.51	3.57	616.37	5.55	139.24	10.02	0.000	0.117	0.340	0.056	1.545	1.375	12.6	2.14	4075.2	73.01	0	9.2	14.65	84.9	453.4	1647.1		
Lac Herbin	TL-73-1	16.56	6.27	2.12	33.79	42.96	6.62	461.86	102.73	38.88	6.45	908.43	0.07	0.42	0.01	0.027	0.066	0.543	0.104	1.715	0.061	6.3	0.98	8.5	0.05	0.0441	12.2	5.09	217.3	39.1	9.5	
	TL-73-2	15.98	6.38	0.53	42.45	50.43	5.08	410.92	57.56	39.56	4.58	964.46	0.06	1.53	0.00	0.000	0.459	0.238	0.100	1.613	0.119	0	1.31	23.8	0.00	0.1223	10.4	4.14	450	16.3	22.1	
	TL-73-3	23.81	6.28	0.46	97.47	66.39	3.48	409.05	107.82	42.08	5.09	316.51	0.00	0.09	0.00	0.000	0.031	0.207	0.146	2.785	0.017	3.2	0.31	0	0.00	0	4.2	1.90	163	6.1	0	
	TL-73-4	15.55	4.99	0.58	58.58	60.96	3.36	482.57	94.75	43.30	4.08	684.29	0.00	0.06	0.00	0.000	0.039	0.109	0.116													

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Mine	Sample	Rare Earth element										
		La	Ce	Pr	Nd	Sm	Eu	Gd	Tb	Dy	Ho	
		ppm										
Goldex	TL-91-1	0,056	0,112	71,000	0,127	0,000	0,059	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,000	
	TL-91-2	0,018	0,066	41,000	0,037	0,000	0,032	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,000	
	TL-91-3	0,119	0,195	0,014	0,093	0,032	0,059	63,000	25,000	83,000	22,000	
	TL-91-4	0,211	0,374	0,031	0,136	0,019	0,095	0,117	8,000	0,044	95,000	
	TL-91-5	0,122	0,151	0,016	0,099	0,014	0,058	0,043	0,000	0,014	0,000	
	TL-91-6	0,083	0,165	0,016	0,068	0,000	0,065	0,012	0,000	0,012	22,000	
	TL-91-7	0,092	0,161	0,017	0,068	0,000	0,049	0,017	2,000	0,000	0,000	
	TL-91-8	0,168	0,306	0,037	0,054	0,000	0,046	0,080	22,000	0,000	39,000	
Lamaque	Parallel	TL-88-1	5,264	14,942	1,817	7,132	1,308	0,229	0,662	0,127	0,543	0,059
		TL-88-2	0,071	0,166	61,000	0,027	0,000	0,042	0,000	2,000	0,000	49,000
		TL-88-3	0,126	0,175	0,018	0,068	0,024	0,054	0,000	1,000	0,000	58,000
		TL-88-4	0,054	0,131	95,000	0,054	0,000	0,043	0,048	54,000	0,010	61,000
		TL-88-5	0,093	0,100	0,026	0,200	0,093	0,044	0,000	0,000	0,029	83,000
		TL-88-6	4,924	13,075	1,698	7,132	1,596	0,226	1,817	0,268	1,783	0,365
		TL-88-7	0,109	0,338	0,025	0,078	0,011	0,050	0,056	65,000	0,048	0,012
		TL-88-8	0,116	0,166	0,013	0,075	0,000	0,102	0,043	0,000	42,000	22,000
	Triangle	TL-87-1	0,408	1,172	0,141	0,985	0,250	0,189	0,472	0,105	0,815	0,172
		TL-87-2	0,049	0,306	0,028	0,340	0,149	0,153	0,255	0,037	0,282	0,112
		TL-87-3	0,073	0,172	0,025	0,116	0,027	0,139	0,061	0,015	0,151	0,037
		TL-87-4	0,075	0,214	0,036	0,206	0,105	0,121	0,296	0,082	0,642	0,231
		TL-87-5	0,099	0,465	0,112	0,730	0,662	0,248	0,951	0,216	1,834	0,336
		TL-87-6	2,615	6,792	0,781	3,888	0,815	0,172	0,781	0,134	0,883	0,190
		TL-87-7	1,036	2,666	0,391	1,783	0,883	0,443	1,392	0,246	1,698	0,301
		TL-87-8	0,093	0,110	0,019	0,066	0,056	0,148	0,015	37,000	0,054	37,000
		TL-85-1	0,141	0,212	0,025	0,121	0,041	0,112	0,148	0,032	0,199	0,075
		TL-85-2	0,063	0,163	0,012	0,126	0,000	0,116	0,010	0,000	53,000	0,000
		TL-85-3	0,093	0,239	0,046	0,122	0,061	0,099	0,036	88,000	0,058	0,027
		TL-85-4	1,240	3,175	0,448	2,224	0,730	0,318	0,832	0,160	1,189	0,418
		TL-85-5	0,146	0,207	0,033	0,117	0,044	0,104	0,105	0,030	0,299	0,112
		TL-85-6	0,231	0,425	0,095	0,380	0,129	0,187	0,183	0,049	0,348	0,116
		TL-85-7	0,058	0,134	0,018	0,063	0,000	0,112	0,000	73,000	0,043	0,015
		TL-85-8	0,764	2,360	0,377	2,123	0,832	0,299	0,883	0,144	1,070	0,219
Lac Herbin	TL-73-1	0,178	0,442	0,056	0,136	0,034	0,258	0,000	27,000	0,000	25,000	
	TL-73-2	0,172	0,318	0,037	0,289	0,000	0,197	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,000	
	TL-73-3	0,043	0,063	15,000	0,000	0,000	0,097	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,000	
	TL-73-4	0,099	0,263	0,043	0,238	0,000	0,166	0,059	0,000	0,000	68,000	
	TL-73-5	0,082	0,256	0,025	0,131	0,000	0,059	0,041	0,010	0,053	56,000	
	TL-73-6	0,134	0,185	78,000	0,022	0,024	0,116	0,000	0,000	0,014	0,000	
	TL-73-7	0,022	0,100	95,000	0,070	0,000	0,095	0,024	0,020	0,107	0,031	
Beaufor	TL-10-1	0,070	0,126	0,023	0,046	0,000	0,105	8,000	0,000	39,000	46,000	
	TL-10-2	0,110	0,183	0,016	0,076	0,000	0,136	41,000	0,000	0,000	0,000	
	TL-10-3	0,097	0,206	0,022	0,066	0,000	0,160	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,000	
	TL-10-4	0,017	0,025	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,027	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,000	
	TL-10-5	0,025	0,048	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,044	0,000	0,000	0,000	12,000	
	TL-10-6	0,073	0,246	0,030	0,168	0,000	0,121	0,000	0,000	0,000	37,000	
	TL-10-7	0,041	0,075	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,013	0,063	0,000	0,000	73,000	
	TL-10-8	0,088	0,148	0,022	0,070	0,000	0,121	0,000	0,000	0,000	0,000	