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T1.

Hand specimen

This is a greenish grey feldspar porphyry presumably of andesitic composition. The groundmass is extremely fine grained. Pyrite is scattered through the rock and limonite lines fractures and cracks.

Thin section

Mode

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| Altered feldspar phenocrysts | 23% |
| Quartzo-feldspathic groundmass (v. f. g.) | 60% |
| Chlorite in groundmass | 10% |
| Opaque minerals | 2% |
| Stilbite ? | 2% |
| Epidote | 2% |
| Biotite | Tr |
| Hornblende | 1% |

Texture

The rock has an extremely fine grained groundmass of altered (sericitized and saussuritized) feldspar and fresh quartz in which subhedral, equant phenocrysts of strongly sericitized plagioclase (and K feldspar ?) occur. The phenocrysts are in most cases distinguishable only by their relatively unaltered cores. Chlorite occurs in blebs and aggregates of tiny flakes throughout the altered groundmass as do the opaque minerals. Stilbite? is a cavity filling and occurs as subhedral bladed crystals. Hornblende and biotite, both pleochroic in browns, are rare and relatively fresh. Epidote is an alteration product of the feldspars.

Name: A ^{*Alaskan*} mygdaloidal intermediate porphyry (Andesitic composition ?)

Origin: This rock is of volcanic or subvolcanic origin and is strongly saussuritized.

T2

Hand specimen

This is a fine grained medium grey hornfelsed sandstone with scattered pyrite throughout. Films of finely divided molybdenite are evident on broken surfaces.

Thin section

| Mode | |
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| Biotite | 8% |
| Zircon | Tr |
| Quartz | 54% |
| Opaque minerals | 2% |
| Apatite | 1% |
| Altered rock fragments | 15% |
| Altered fragments of feldspar | 20% |

Texture

The rock is a fine grained arenite ranging in grain size from 0.5 to 0.02 mm with grains of 0.05 mm predominant. Most fragments are of monocrystalline unstrained quartz with scattered sharp boundaries. Rock fragments are altered to a variety of clay and mica minerals and their original nature is difficult to ascertain. Feldspar fragments, both orthoclase and plagioclase, are altered slightly to kaolin minerals and are generally the coarsest grains in the rock. One or two grains of detrital zircon are scattered throughout. Apatite is apparently hydrothermally introduced. Biotite is in small flakes, pleochroic in browns, and is grown as a replacement of parts of most of the rock fragments.

Name: Thermally metamorphosed (hornfelsed ?) immature arkosic arenite.

Origin: This is a chemically and texturally immature fine grained arenite that has been thermally metamorphosed. Its constituent fragments are of sedimentary and volcanic derivation.

Handspecimen

The rock is a fine grained hornfelsed sandstone with pyrite and chalcopyrite scattered throughout.

Thin section

Mode

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| Biotite | 10% |
| Quartz | 37% |
| Chlorite | 2% |
| Opagues | 1% |
| Lithic material (f. g. clay minerals etc.) | 50% |

Texture

This specimen is a lithic arenite made up of rock and quartz fragments of various sizes (from 0.5 mm to 0.01 mm). Quartz grains are mono-crystalline and unstrained; they have sharp boundaries and most coarser grains are fairly well rounded though of low sphericity. Biotite is a metamorphic mineral that has grown at the expense of preexisting clay and other minerals; *in the fine grained fraction.* It now occurs as tiny flakes scattered throughout the rock. The rock is cut by narrow regular veinlets of regenerated quartz.

Name: Thermally metamorphosed greywacke or lithic arenite.

Origin: This is a poorly sorted chemically and texturally immature sandstone derived from a sedimentary and volcanic source area. The rock is metamorphosed (thermally ?) so that some lithic fragments are now replaced partially by newly formed biotite.

T3

Hand specimen

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Equigranular biotite hornblende quartz monzonite or quartz diorite.

Thin section

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| Mode | |
| Plagioclase | 40% |
| K feldspar | 20% |
| Quartz | 15% |
| Biotite | 5% |
| Hornblende | 8% |
| Apatite | 1% |
| Opaque minerals | 1% |

Texture

This is a medium grained, equigranular hypidiomorphic rock. Grain size is about 1.2 mm on the average. Plagioclase (An₃₈) forms large sub-hedral thick tabular crystals that are fresh and zoned and beautifully twinned according to the Carlsbad-Albite law. Orthoclase forms equant subhedral crystals commonly slightly sericitized. Hornblende, pleochroic in green colours is fresh and forms subhedral, short prismatic grains commonly intergrown with biotite. Biotite is pleochroic in brown and quite fresh; some biotite replaces hornblende. Quartz occurs interstitially as anhedral ~~monocrystals in~~ ^{microcrystalline} patches. Apatite occurs as euhedral, hexagonal prismatic grains commonly associated with biotite. Opaque minerals are scattered throughout.

Name: Mineral proportions indicate the rock is gradational between ^{fine} ~~trace~~ granite and quartz monzonite, but the plagioclase is more characteristic of the latter. Equigranular biotite hornblende quartz monzonite.

Alteration: The rock is extremely fresh and unaltered.