

Enclaves and their bearing on the origin of the Cornubian batholith, southwest England

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Abstract

Enclaves of diverse origin are present in minor amounts in the coarse-grained biotite granites of the Cornubian batholith, southwest England. The most common enclave type is layered, rich in biotite, cordierite and aluminosilicates, and has textures and compositions that reveal variable degrees of melt extraction from metasedimentary source rocks. Rare sillimanite-bearing enclaves represent residual material, either from the region of magma generation or its ascent path, but most such enclaves were probably derived from the contact aureole closer to the present level of exposure. These non-igneous enclaves (NIE) and their disaggregation products are present in all major plutons, comprising from < 2 to 5 vol.% of the granites. Enclaves of igneous origin are also present in all major plutons except Carnmenellis, generally comprising < 1 vol.% of the granites. The most common type is intermediate in composition, with microgranular texture, and mineral compositions and textures consistent with an origin by magma mixing. Large crystals of K-feldspar, plagioclase and quartz, common in these microgranular enclaves (ME) but absent in NIE, represent phenocrysts derived from the silicic end-member during magma mixing events rather than products of metasomatism as suggested previously. Although the composition of the mafic end-member (basaltic or lamprophyric) involved in the mixing process is poorly constrained, the presence of ME in the granites, and the preponderance of mantle-derived mafic rocks in the coeval Exeter Volcanics, indicate that mafic magma injection into the crust was a factor in the generation of the batholith. Advection of sub-crustal heat provides an explanation for large-volume crustal melting in regions of relatively thin crust such as southwest England.

KEYWORDS: enclaves, magma mixing, S-type granite, Cornubian batholith.

Introduction

ENCLAVES of diverse origin are common in granitoid rocks and provide evidence of the processes controlling or influencing their genesis (Didier,

1973; Vernon, 1983, 1990; papers in Didier and Barbarin, 1991a). Such enclaves are present in the coarse-grained biotite granites of the Cornubian batholith of southwest England (Ghosh, 1928; Brammall and Harwood, 1932; Lister, 1984), but have only been considered in passing in recent studies. We have examined these enclaves as part of a continuing effort to clarify the petrogenesis and intrusive history of this classic granitoid province,

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and of its associated world-class Sn-Cu mineralization (Chen *et al.*, 1993; Clark *et al.*, 1993). In this contribution we summarize the results of a systematic study of enclaves and their granitoid host-rocks. We define the types and relative abundance of the enclaves present, document their mineralogical and textural features in relation to the granites and associated mafic volcanic rocks of the region, propose a model for their origin, and discuss their implications for the genesis of the batholith. Our results clarify several longstanding misconceptions concerning the origin of enclaves and their bearing on the genesis and crystallization history of the batholith, and suggest a connection between mafic magmatism and batholith formation.

Geological setting

The Cornubian batholith is one of many post-orogenic granitic massifs emplaced during the late stages of the Carboniferous-Permian Hercynian orogeny (Exley and Stone, 1982). Exposures comprise six major plutons and numerous satellite bodies (Fig. 1) that extend over an area of about 10,000 km², and to a depth of ~ 10–12 km (Stone and Exley, 1986; Willis-Richards and Jackson, 1989). The dominant rock-type of the batholith is coarse-grained biotite muscovite granite (Exley and Stone, 1982), but fine-grained biotite granite, and Li-mica- and fluorite-bearing leucogranites are also represented (Stone, 1992). The biotite granites are strongly peraluminous (ASI ~ 1.17 to 1.28), and

exhibit high K/Na, U, B, F, and ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr ratios (0.710–0.716), and low Fe₂O₃/FeO (Exley and Stone, 1982; Darbyshire and Shepherd, 1985). These characteristics are broadly consistent with an S-type classification (see Chappell and White, 1992, and references therein), and there is a consensus in the recent literature that the coarse-grained biotite granites were generated by partial melting of pelitic rocks in the lower or intermediate crust (Stone and Exley, 1986; Charoy, 1986), and modified by crystal fractionation at the level of emplacement (Charoy, 1986; Ward *et al.*, 1992).

Recent studies have shown that, despite a relatively narrow compositional range, individual plutons record complex and protracted emplacement and cooling histories (e.g. Willis-Richards and Jackson, 1989; Chesley *et al.*, 1993; Chen *et al.*, 1993; Clark *et al.*, 1993). The batholithic rocks range in age from ~ 274 to 293 Ma (Chen *et al.*, 1993; Clark *et al.*, 1993) and intruded sub-greenschist to lower greenschist-grade metamorphic rocks of Devonian and Carboniferous age at shallow crustal levels (Robson, 1964; Floyd, 1971; Bromley, 1989). Late-stage hydrothermal processes have resulted in extensive kaolinization, greisenization, tourmalinization and Sn, Cu, W, As and Zn vein mineralization in and around the batholith.

Scattered remnants of the basaltic to strongly potassic Exeter volcanics are present at or near the base of the Permian Lower Sandstone and Breccia Group in Devon (Ussher, 1902; Knill, 1969, 1982). From their stratigraphic position and a K-Ar age of

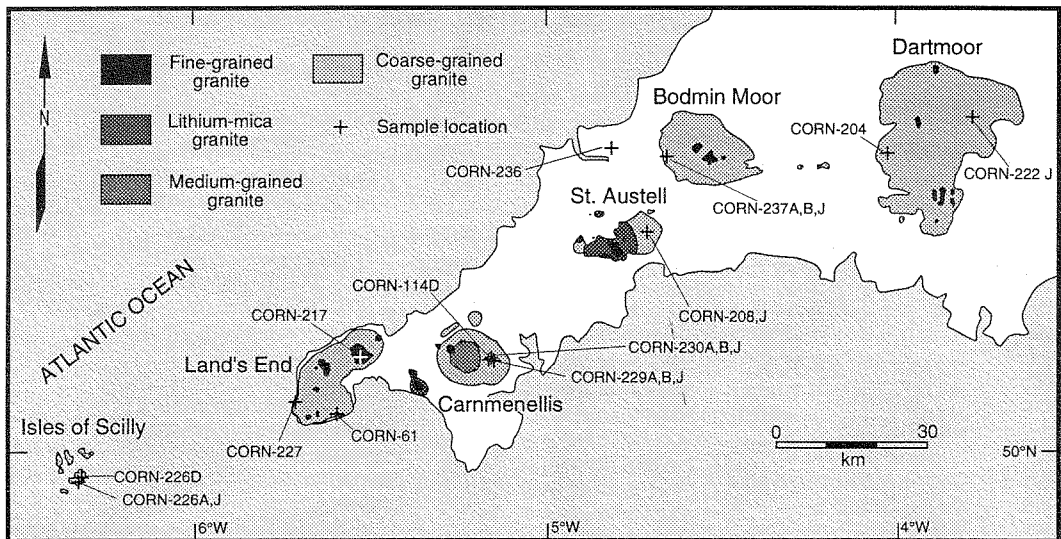


FIG. 1. Sample location map showing the major plutons and lithologies of the Cornubian batholith, southwest England (geology modified from Dangerfield and Hawkes, 1981). See Appendix I for sample descriptions.

TABLE 1. Previous interpretations of enclave origin, Cornubian batholith

Pluton	¹ Age (Ma)	Enclave type	Reference
Dartmoor (DM)	281–285	Basic igneous xenoliths	Reid <i>et al.</i> , 1912
		Basic igneous xenoliths Shale xenoliths	Brammall and Harwood, 1932
		Shale xenoliths	Lister, 1984
Bodmin Moor (BM)	281	Shale xenoliths	Ghosh, 1928; Lister, 1984
St. Austell (SA)	281	Shale xenoliths	Lister, 1984
Carnmenellis (CM)	293	Shale xenoliths	Ghosh, 1934; Al-Turki, 1972; Lister, 1984
		Restite	Jefferies, 1985; Charoy, 1986
Land's End (LE)	275	Shale xenoliths	Lister, 1984
Isles of Scilly (SI)	290	Igneous xenoliths	Osman, 1928;
		² 'Type A granite'	Stone and Exley, 1989

¹ Ages based on monazite U/Pb dates for samples listed in Appendix I (Chen *et al.*, 1993).

² 'Type A granite' refers to xenoliths interpreted as earlier-emplaced, tonalitic to granodioritic rocks, disrupted by intrusion of the main-stage coarse-grained biotite granites (Exley and Stone, 1982; Stone and Exley, 1989).

291 ± 6 Ma (Miller *et al.*, 1962; Thorpe *et al.*, 1986), these volcanic rocks are in part coeval with the batholith. This is in accord with detailed textural studies by Tidmarsh (1932), who concluded that some of these volcanic rocks resulted from mixing of mafic and silicic magmas. Related WSW–ENE-trending lamprophyric dykes and sills cut the grain of metamorphic fabrics in southwest England (Exley and Stone, 1982), but do not intrude the granites or their contact aureoles.

Previous work on Cornubian enclaves

Several investigators have advocated a single origin for all enclaves in the Cornubian batholith (e.g. Ghosh, 1928, 1934; Lister, 1984; Jefferies, 1985), whereas others have distinguished 'shale xenoliths' from 'igneous xenoliths' (see Table 1 for summary). Shale xenoliths have generally been interpreted as either restite from the source region of magma generation (Exley and Stone, 1982; Jefferies, 1985; Charoy, 1986), or fragments of country-rock from the present level of exposure (Ghosh, 1928, 1934; Lister, 1984; Bromley, 1989), whereas igneous xenoliths have been regarded as either fragments of earlier-emplaced mafic-to-intermediate plutons (Brammall and Harwood, 1932), or xenoliths of country-rock that have been extensively modified by interaction with the granitic magma (Lister, 1984). In the most comprehensive study of enclaves to date, Brammall

and Harwood (1932) concluded that igneous xenoliths are fragments of older diabasic, granodioritic and tonalitic rocks representing the initial stage of batholith development, and this interpretation has been adopted in subsequent summaries (Exley and Stone, 1964, 1982; Stone and Exley, 1989). Brammall and Harwood (1932) regarded shale xenoliths as fragments of metasedimentary material from depth.

Field and petrographic observations

Granitic rocks

The Cornubian batholith has been described in numerous studies since the early 1800's (De La Beche, 1839; Brammall and Harwood, 1932; Hall, 1974; Exley and Stone, 1982; Darbyshire and Shepherd, 1985; Charoy, 1986; Stone and Exley, 1986; Stone, 1992; and Ward *et al.*, 1992). We sampled mainly coarse-grained biotite granites from the major plutons, with an emphasis on enclave-bearing localities (see Fig. 1 and Appendix I). Several fine-grained biotite granites similar in appearance to the most silicic microgranular enclaves were also sampled for comparison. The biotite granites exhibit a restricted range in modal mineralogy (Fig. 2 and Table 2); in addition to feldspar and quartz, they contain biotite, muscovite, cordierite, andalusite and tourmaline. Cordierite,

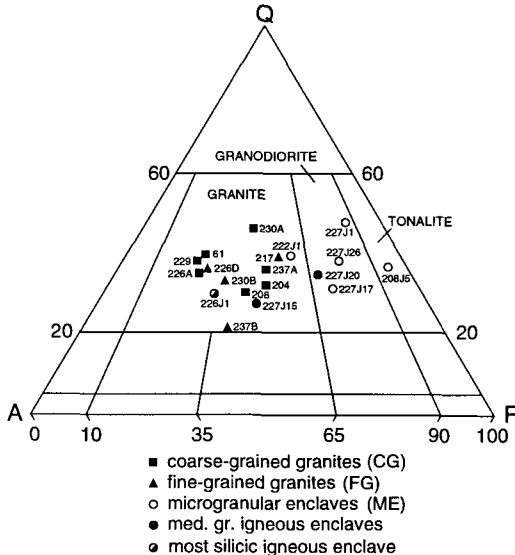


Fig. 2. Modal compositions of Cornubian granites and igneous enclaves on the IUGS triangle (Q — quartz, A — alkali feldspar, P — plagioclase). Data from point and grid counts of thin sections and stained slabs respectively.

muscovite and andalusite are restricted to layered enclaves and their disaggregation products in some granite samples, but may represent phenocrysts in others (e.g. samples 61, 217 and 229 in Table 2). Muscovite and andalusite are more abundant (muscovite \approx biotite), and clearly phenocrystic, in the majority of fine-grained granites (e.g. 226A and 237A). As observed in other studies (e.g. Didier, 1973; Barbarin, 1991; Orsini *et al.*, 1991), there is a correlation between the types and abundance of enclaves and the chemistry and mineralogy of the host plutons. Plutons with muscovite \approx biotite (e.g. Carnmenellis and Bodmin Moor) have a higher proportion of layered, aluminosilicate-bearing enclaves and higher ASI (~ 1.25 to 1.28), whereas those plutons with biotite $>$ muscovite (e.g. Dartmoor and St. Austell) exhibit a higher proportion of microgranular enclaves and lower ASI (~ 1.17 to 1.18).

Enclave types and distribution

The broadest division of enclaves in the Cornubian granites is between those with igneous and those with non-igneous textures and mineralogies. Of the igneous variety, enclaves with microgranular texture are most common, and will be the focus of our discussion. We will employ the term

'microgranular enclave' (ME) for these enclaves, and the term 'non-igneous enclave' (NIE) for enclaves characterized by compositional layering and metamorphic mineral assemblages, including aluminosilicates. We will argue below that ME are the product of magma mixing, whereas NIE represent the residuum of metasedimentary material. Enclaves of both types are sparsely distributed in coarse-grained biotite granites, averaging much less than 1 vol.% of outcrops, and are virtually absent in fine-grained biotite- and Li-mica-bearing granites. NIE are most common overall, but rarely exceed 2 vol.% abundance. However, if one also considers minerals plausibly derived from disaggregation of NIE, then their total contribution may reach 5 vol.% in the Carnmenellis pluton. ME occur sparsely (< 1 vol.%) in all of the major plutons except Carnmenellis, being most abundant in the Dartmoor (Reid *et al.*, 1912; Brammell and Harwood, 1932), Land's End, and St. Austell plutons (Table 1). ME also occur in rare swarms, where their abundance is locally much higher (e.g. Birch Tor, Dartmoor granite). Hornfelsic xenoliths identifiable as country-rock are locally abundant near contacts (e.g. Porthmeor Cove, Land's End granite), but are otherwise rare to absent.

Microgranular enclaves. Enclaves that have been referred to as microgranular (Didier, 1973) or microgranitoid (Vernon, 1983) are common in granitic rocks worldwide, but are more abundant in I-type than in S-type granitoids (see discussions by Didier, 1973; Vernon, 1983, 1990; and papers in Didier and Barbarin, 1991a). With the exception of three samples, all enclaves with igneous compositions sampled in this study have microgranular texture, lack reaction rims, and are more mafic than their host rocks. The exceptions are samples 227J15 and 227J17 which are relatively silicic and medium-grained, and sample 226J1, which is nearly as silicic as its host granite but much finer-grained. These samples have a different origin than ME, and will be discussed separately. Rare composite ME consisting of a darker core in a paler matrix are also present as discussed below.

ME are typically elongate (2–45 cm in long dimension) with rounded, embayed, or crenulate margins (cf. Brammell and Harwood, 1932), and consist dominantly of fine-grained laths of biotite and plagioclase, with minor quartz, ilmenite, K-feldspar, and rare pinite after cordierite (Table 2 and Fig. 3A,B,C, and D). They also contain coarse-grained K-feldspar, sodic plagioclase, biotite and quartz, which are similar in texture and composition to phenocrysts in the host granite (Fig. 3A and B). These coarse-grained crystals and early-formed groundmass plagioclase and biotite are commonly poikilitically enclosed by aggregates of quartz or K-feldspar (Fig. 3C). K-feldspar megacrysts within

TABLE 2. Modal data for granite and enclave samples from the Cornubian batholith

Sample	PL	KF	QTZ	BT	ILM	CRD	AND	SIL	MS	TM	CRN	SP
61(CG)	15	37	34	7	1	3P	–	–	2	1	–	–
204(CG)	31	31	28	7	<1	<1	–	–	1	1	–	–
208(CG)	26	34	26	10	1	2	<1	–	1	<1	–	–
226A(CG)	15	40	30	7	1	2	–	–	3P	2	–	–
229(CG)	14	45	29	5	<1	1	1	–	5P	–	–	–
230A(CG)	21	25	39	8	1	2	1	–	3P	<1	–	–
237A(CG)	28	28	32	7	<1	<1	<1	–	5P	<1	–	–
217(FG)	29	24	34	2	<1	2P	2	–	4p	3	–	–
226D(FG)	17	41	31	5	<1	<1	<1	–	4p	<1	–	–
230B(FG)	21	39	29	3	<1	3	1	–	3p	1	–	–
237B(FG)	27	43	18	6	<1	–	2	–	3p	–	–	–
208J5(ME)	45	42	72	2	2	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
222J1(ME)	28	19	31	20	2	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
226J1(ME)	20	40	25	12	1	–	–	–	2	–	–	–
227J1(ME)	30	5	32	26	<1	5	–	–	2	–	–	–
227J15(ME)	25	27	20	20	3	2	–	–	5	<1	–	–
227J17(ME)	38	15	23	18	2	–	–	–	<1	–	–	–
227J20(ME)	36	17	27	20	2	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
227J26(ME)	32	12	25	28	1	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
237J2(ME)	39	5	26	28	2	–	–	–	<1	–	–	–
208J2(NIE)	18	–	25	25	2	28	–	2	–	–	tr	tr
208J8(NIE)	25	–	10	35	4	15	–	5	<1	–	<1	1
114D(NIE)	12	–	15	40	<1	5	25P	–	–	<1	–	–
229J2(NIE)	5	2	8	36	2	10	30P	–	6	–	–	–
230J1(NIE)	25	–	10	25	5	10	15P	–	3	15	–	–
230J2(NIE)	10	–	35	20	2	10	5P	–	4	15	–	–
237J1(NIE)	20	18	20	22	<2	–	5P	3f	10	<1	–	–

Abbreviations: (CG), coarse-grained granite; (FG), fine-grained granite; (ME) microgranular enclave; (NIE) non-igneous enclave; PL, plagioclase; KF, K-feldspar; QTZ, quartz; BT, biotite; ILM, ilmenite; CRD, cordierite; AND, andalusite; SIL, sillimanite; MS, muscovite; TM, tourmaline; CRN, corundum; SP, hercynitic spinel; P, large crystal-phenocryst in granite or porphyroblast in NIE; p, euhedral to subhedral groundmass crystals which appear primary in fine-grained granite; f, fibrolite; tr, trace; – not observed in thin section. Granites and enclaves contain traces of zircon, apatite and monazite at trace abundances.

some enclaves also show a crude alignment suggestive of magmatic flow (Fig. 3A), and some are mantled by plagioclase (Fig. 3E). Accessory apatite, zircon, monazite, pyrrhotite and an Fe–Cu sulphide are typically associated with biotite, or present as inclusions in late-formed quartz (Fig. 3F). Hornblende-bearing enclaves have been recorded from the Dartmoor granite (Brammall and Harwood, 1932), but were not observed in this study, and must be very rare.

Non-igneous enclaves. In southwest England enclaves with non-igneous fabric and mineralogy have been referred to mainly as 'shale xenoliths' (Ghosh, 1928, 1934; Brammall and Harwood, 1932; Al-Turki, 1972; Lister, 1984). Similar enclaves have been described elsewhere as metamorphic, surmicaceous, restitic, schistose, gneissic or hornfelsic

(Didier, 1973; Chappell *et al.*, 1987; papers in Didier and Barbarin, 1991a). Most NIE in Cornubian granites display compositional layering parallel to their long dimension, but rarely exhibit a true mineral foliation (Fig. 4A). A few such enclaves lack layering, and have a granoblastic texture. NIE consist dominantly of biotite, aluminosilicates, plagioclase, cordierite and quartz, but some also contain muscovite, hercynite, corundum, and ilmenite (see Table 2 and Fig. 4B,C and D). Some NIE contain a mineral assemblage dominated by andalusite-biotite(-muscovite) whereas others contain sillimanite- and biotite-rich assemblages. Accessory minerals include apatite, zircon, monazite, pyrrhotite and an Fe–Cu sulphide. Most NIE have reaction rims rich in biotite, tourmaline or cordierite, and some larger examples contain

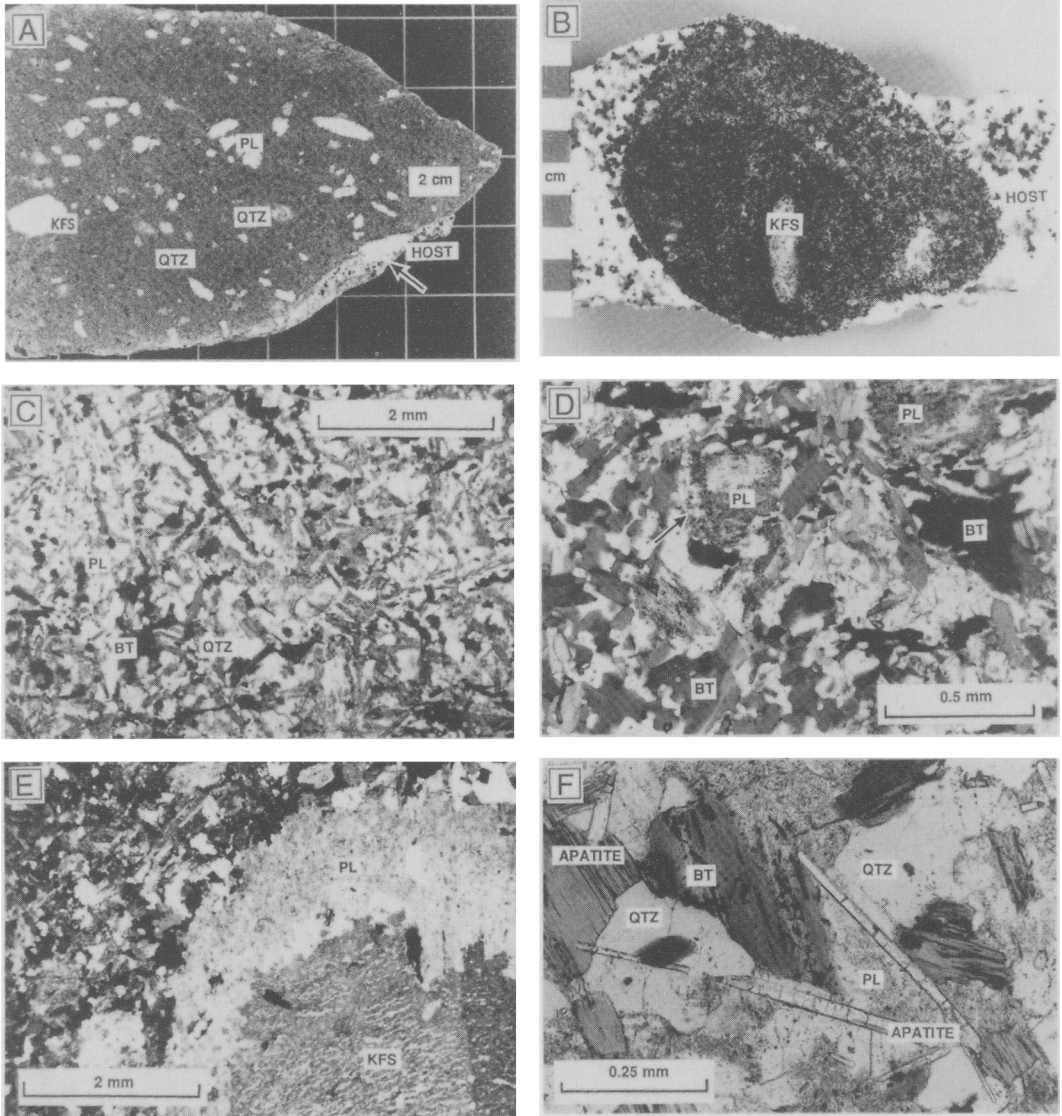


FIG. 3. Microgranular enclaves (ME) in hand-specimen and thin section (mineral abbreviations as in Table 2). (A) Large ME (222J1) from the Dartmoor granite containing large crystals of K-feldspar, plagioclase, biotite and quartz set in a fine-grained groundmass consisting dominantly of plagioclase, biotite and quartz (scale bar = 2 cm). Host granite is seen at lower-right (arrow). (B) Composite ME (208J5) from the St. Austell granite (mineralogy as in 3A). The darker portion of enclave is finer-grained and contains more biotite and less quartz than the paler (scale bar in centimetres). (C) Photomicrograph (plane-polarized light) of a ME from the St. Austell granite (207J3) with fine-grained, bladed texture. Elongate crystals of plagioclase (turbid due to sericitization) and biotite (dark) are surrounded by smaller and more equant crystals of quartz (clear). (D) Photomicrograph (plane-polarized light) of partially sericitized plagioclase (arrow) and biotite phenocrysts set in the finer-grained groundmass of an enclave from the Dartmoor granite (222J1). (E) Photomicrograph (crossed nicols) of a K-feldspar megacryst within a ME from the Lands End granite (227J26). The megacryst is rounded and mantled by partially sericitized plagioclase. (F) Photomicrograph (plane-polarized light) of apatite needles in a ME from the St. Austell granite (207J1). Apatite in ME is generally elongate, suggesting undercooled crystallization.

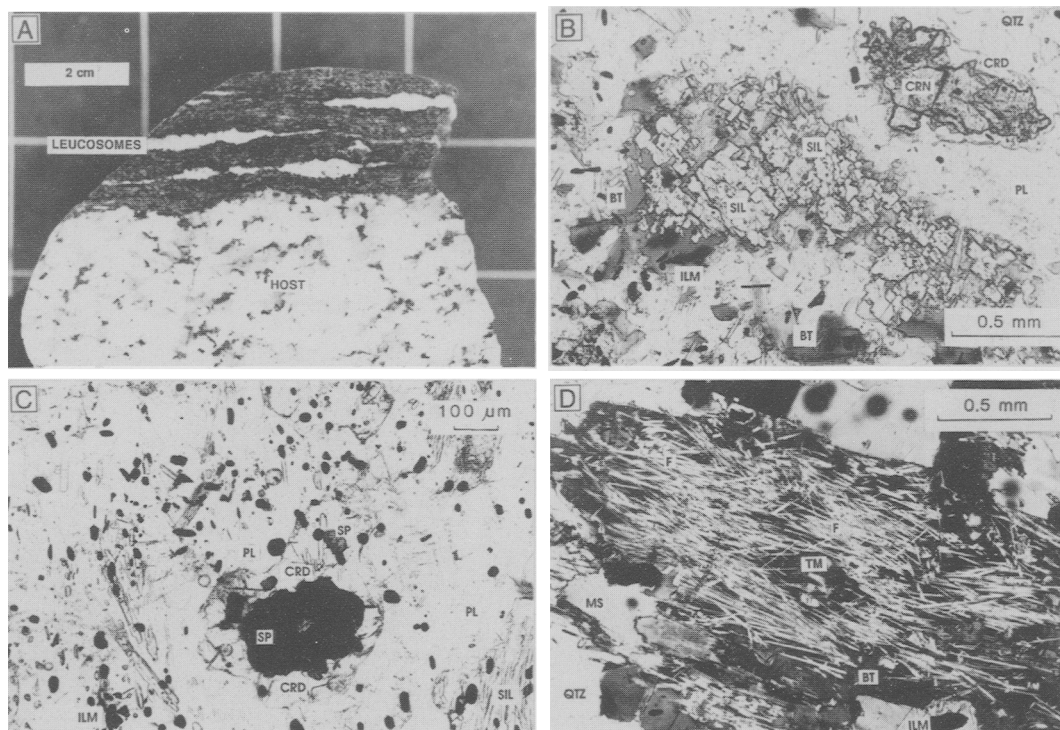


FIG. 4. Non-igneous enclaves (NIE) in hand-sample and thin section (mineral abbreviations as in Table 2). (A) Portion of an unusually large NIE with prominent layering (237J1) from the Bodmin Moor granite. The dark portions of the enclave consist mainly of biotite, plagioclase and andalusite, with lesser quartz, muscovite and K-feldspar. The lighter laminae, interpreted as leucosomes, consist primarily of K-feldspar, sodic plagioclase and quartz (scale bar = 2 cm). (B) Photomicrograph (plane-polarized light) of an enclave (208J2) from the St. Austell granite displaying coarse-grained sillimanite rimmed by biotite, and corundum rimmed by cordierite. (C) Photomicrograph (plane-polarized light) of an enclave (208J8) from the St. Austell granite containing domains of hercynitic spinel and sillimanite enclosed in cordierite. Sample also contains abundant ilmenite and Fe-Cu sulphides. (D) Photomicrograph (crossed nicols) of NIE (114D) from the Carnmenellis pluton with locally abundant fibrolite and fine-grained sillimanite as inclusions in tourmaline, biotite and muscovite. Sample also contains andalusite porphyroblasts which show little or no reaction to sillimanite.

leucosomes (generally elongated parallel to layering) consisting mainly of feldspar and quartz (Fig. 4A). NIE lack the large crystals of K-feldspar, sodic plagioclase and quartz that are common in ME.

Mineral textures and compositions

Plagioclase and K-feldspar. Plagioclase phenocrysts and inclusions in both the coarse-grained and fine-grained granites range in composition from albite to andesine, but the most calcic compositions are commonly altered to sericite (Table 3, Fig. 5A and B). Normal zoning is typical, with crystal cores averaging An_{30} , and crystal rims ranging to near end-member albite (cf. Ward *et al.*, 1992). Plagioclase in

ME ranges in composition from albite to labradorite (Fig. 5C), with large crystals intergrown with green biotite exhibiting the most calcic compositions. The rims of these large crystals range from An_{22} to An_{37} , whereas the few cores that have escaped sericitization range from An_{36} to An_{59} (Fig. 3D). Normally zoned plagioclase microphenocrysts in ME range from An_7 to An_{34} (averaging An_{28}), but nearly complete replacement of crystal cores by sericite biases analyses toward sodic compositions. Rapakivi-type mantles on K-feldspar in ME range from An_4 to An_{28} (Fig. 5C). Plagioclase in the groundmass of NIE ranges from An_5 to An_{44} (Fig. 5E), with the most calcic compositions occurring in enclaves with the highest metamorphic grades and Al_2O_3 contents (e.g.

TABLE 3. Representative electron microprobe analyses of feldspar from granites and enclaves

	CG/BM 237 KF M	CG/SA 208 PL P R	CG/SA 208 PL P C	FG/BM 237B PL(m)C	FG/CM 230B KF (m)	FG/BM 237B PL(m)	ME/DM 222J1 PL(MP)C	ME/DM 222J1 KF M(SP)	ME/SA 208J5B PL(MP)C	ME/SA 208J5B PL(SP)
Wt.% oxide										
SiO ₂	64.84	65.26	61.92	59.92	65.31	63.27	53.61	64.97	57.21	62.20
Al ₂ O ₃	18.62	22.13	24.37	25.47	19.00	23.22	29.50	18.46	27.21	23.97
Fe ₂ O ₃	0.00	0.02	0.01	0.03	0.04	0.02	0.14	0.03	0.12	0.00
CaO	0.06	3.17	5.82	6.22	0.06	3.80	11.71	0.09	9.33	5.19
SrO	0.15	0.03	0.03	0.16	0.15	0.00	0.05	0.20	0.05	0.11
BaO	0.07	0.03	0.03	0.11	0.32	0.02	0.01	0.22	0.00	0.00
Na ₂ O	1.43	9.68	8.39	8.19	2.48	9.56	5.16	1.03	6.48	8.85
K ₂ O	14.73	0.47	0.25	0.25	13.31	0.26	0.16	15.38	0.29	0.20
Total	99.90	100.79	100.83	100.34	100.67	100.13	100.35	100.37	100.69	100.51
IV	4.000	3.998	3.996	4.003	4.001	4.004	3.994	3.995	3.991	3.995
VI	1.002	0.998	1.008	1.023	1.007	1.013	1.029	1.009	1.025	1.017
Sum	5.002	4.996	5.003	5.026	5.008	5.017	5.023	5.004	5.016	5.013
Ab	0.13	0.82	0.71	0.69	0.22	0.81	0.44	0.09	0.55	0.75
An	0.00	0.15	0.27	0.29	0.00	0.18	0.55	0.00	0.44	0.24
Or	0.87	0.03	0.01	0.01	0.78	0.01	0.01	0.90	0.02	0.01
	ME/LE 227J1 PL(RAP)R	ME/LE 227J26 PL(m)	L 236 KF P C	L 236 KF m	NIE/SA 208J8 PL	NIE/SA 229J PL(G)	NIE/BM 2237J1 PL NR SP	NIE/BM 237J1 KF	NIE/BM 237J1 KF(L)	NIE/L/BM 237J1 PL(L)
Wt.% oxide										
SiO ₂	62.28	63.35	64.19	64.26	58.14	56.00	67.81	65.02	65.39	65.49
Al ₂ O ₃	24.39	23.17	18.60	18.09	26.43	27.68	20.42	18.71	18.27	21.63
Fe ₂ O ₃	0.01	0.05	0.56	0.52	0.15	0.07	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00
CaO	5.79	4.05	0.10	0.19	8.34	9.31	1.16	0.05	0.02	2.65
SrO	0.01	0.03	0.39	0.34	0.05	0.03	0.07	0.16	0.18	0.06
BaO	0.02	0.00	0.38	0.07	0.02	0.01	0.00	0.10	0.00	0.00
Na ₂ O	8.52	9.37	1.96	2.19	7.13	6.48	11.28	1.45	0.83	10.17
K ₂ O	0.51	0.41	13.65	13.41	0.13	0.13	0.13	14.77	15.86	0.14
Total	101.54	100.44	99.84	99.07	100.38	99.71	100.88	100.27	100.56	100.13
IV	3.990	3.999	4.001	3.994	3.992	3.999	3.994	4.000	3.993	3.998
VI	1.026	1.016	1.003	1.012	1.025	1.025	1.014	1.003	1.010	1.000
Sum	5.016	5.015	5.005	5.006	5.018	5.025	5.008	5.004	5.003	4.999
Ab	0.71	0.79	0.18	0.20	0.60	0.55	0.94	0.13	0.07	0.87
An	0.27	0.19	0.01	0.01	0.39	0.44	0.05	0.00	0.00	0.12
Or	0.03	0.02	0.82	0.79	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.87	0.93	0.01

Abbreviations: P, phenocryst; SP, phenocryst derived from the host granite; MP, phenocryst derived from the mafic end-member; C, core; R, rim; L, minerals in enclave leucosomes; m, microphenocryst; M, megacryst; RAP, rapakivi rim; NR, near; G; groundmass. Other abbreviations same as in Table 2 and Appendix I.

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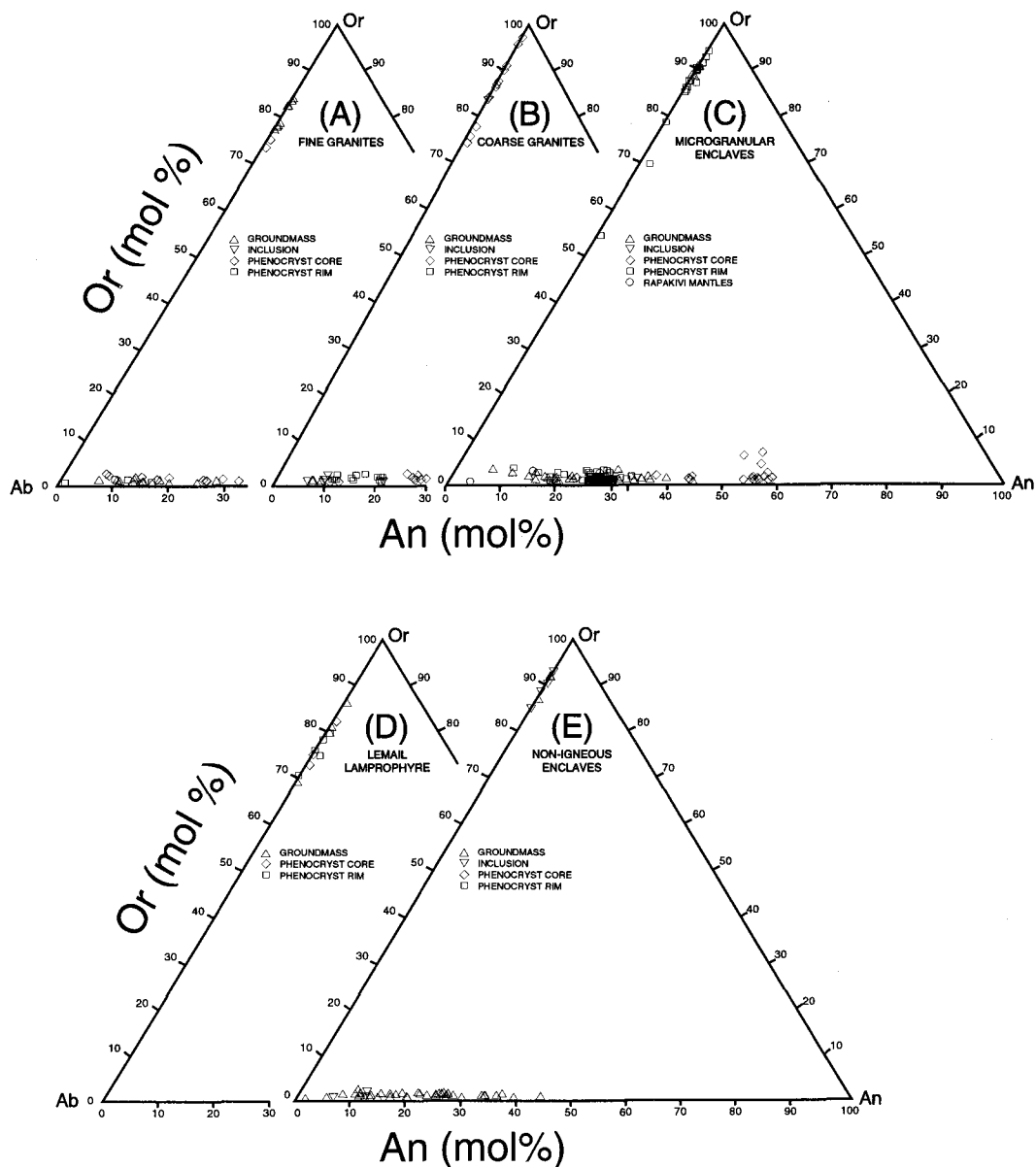


FIG. 5. Feldspar compositions in granites, enclaves and Lemail lamprophyre. (A) Fine-grained granites, (B) Coarse-grained granites, (C) Microgranular enclaves, (D) Lemail lamprophyre, and (E) Non-igneous enclaves. See Table 3 for representative data.

208J8). Conversely, the most sodic compositions (An_{2-10}) are restricted to lower-grade NIE containing K-feldspar, muscovite and andalusite (e.g., 237J1), and leucosomes in these enclaves.

K-feldspar is present in the granites both as groundmass crystals and megacrysts up to several

cm in long dimension. Microscopically clear regions of megacrysts and groundmass grains in granites have compositions in the range Or_{74} to Or_{97} (Fig. 5A and B). K-feldspar ranging from Or_{69} to Or_{92} is present in the groundmass of ME where it poikilitically encloses plagioclase and biotite micro-

TABLE 4. Representative electron microprobe analyses of biotite from granites and enclaves

CG/BM 237A	P	CG/CM 230	P	CG/SA 208	P	FG/BM 237B	P C	IE/BM 237J2	m	ME/DM 222J1	MP	ME/DM 222J1	SP R	LAM 236	P C	NIE/CM 229J2	m	NIE/CM 230J2	m	NIE/SA 208J8	m
Wt.% oxide																					
	35.00	35.84	36.46	35.64	35.11	35.41	37.16	36.16	37.73	35.90	35.43	34.78									
	2.81	2.36	1.91	2.88	3.30	3.87	0.97	3.66	5.68	1.48	2.16	2.04									
	20.36	21.24	20.82	19.56	18.98	15.03	15.02	15.20	13.03	20.17	20.77	19.42									
	0.02	0.04	0.03	0.04	0.07	0.03	0.13	0.04	0.36	0.05	0.05	0.12									
	23.50	22.34	19.80	21.58	24.86	23.23	18.76	23.42	5.68	19.15	23.48	21.90									
	0.53	0.26	0.27	0.18	0.31	0.58	0.43	0.59	0.11	0.29	0.18	0.32									
	4.05	4.68	6.05	7.12	5.69	8.39	12.57	8.24	20.18	8.85	4.90	7.37									
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.04	0.04	0.01	0.02	1.47	0.01	0.00	0.02									
	0.05	0.10	0.10	0.17	0.11	0.32	0.07	0.21	1.40	0.07	0.10	0.09									
	0.08	0.16	0.21	0.20	0.20	0.07	0.12	0.10	0.17	0.18	0.22	0.32									
	9.61	9.25	9.41	9.73	9.46	9.14	9.38	9.46	9.22	9.26	9.27	9.13									
	96.01	96.27	95.06	97.1	98.13	96.11	94.62	97.1	95.03	95.41	96.56	95.51									
	2.699	2.723	2.772	2.694	2.670	2.748	2.851	2.775	2.756	2.717	2.703	2.678									
	0.163	0.135	0.109	0.164	0.189	0.226	0.056	0.211	0.312	0.084	0.124	0.118									
	1.851	1.902	1.865	1.743	1.701	1.374	1.358	1.374	1.122	1.800	1.868	1.763									
	0.001	0.003	0.002	0.002	0.004	0.002	0.008	0.002	0.021	0.003	0.003	0.007									
	1.516	1.419	1.259	1.364	1.581	1.508	1.204	1.503	0.347	1.213	1.499	1.410									
	0.034	0.017	0.017	0.011	0.020	0.038	0.028	0.038	0.007	0.019	0.012	0.021									
	0.466	0.530	0.685	0.803	0.645	0.971	1.437	0.943	2.198	0.958	0.558	0.846									
	0.946	0.897	0.913	0.939	0.918	0.905	0.918	0.927	0.859	0.894	0.903	0.897									
	0.002	0.003	0.003	0.005	0.003	0.010	0.002	0.006	0.040	0.002	0.003	0.003									
	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.003	0.003	0.001	0.002	0.115	0.000	0.000	0.002									
	0.012	0.023	0.030	0.029	0.029	0.010	0.017	0.014	0.023	0.026	0.032	0.047									
	0.55	0.62	0.64	0.44	0.37	0.12	0.21	0.15	0.00	0.52	0.57	0.44									
	0.23	0.27	0.35	0.37	0.29	0.39	0.54	0.39	0.86	0.45	0.27	0.38									

Mineral, rock type, and pluton abbreviations same as in Table 2 and Appendix I.

Cations based on 11 oxygens.

phenocrysts, or surrounds large anhedral quartz grains. K-feldspar megacryst compositions (Or_{78–90}) in ME overlap with those of phenocrysts in the host granites (Fig. 5A–C). K-feldspar is rare in NIE, occurring only in the groundmass of some low-grade enclaves (Or_{86–91}) and in leucosomes (Or_{84–91}). K-feldspar in the Lemail lamprophyre dyke (sample 236) ranges from Or₆₉ to Or₈₆ (Fig. 5D), but can be differentiated from K-feldspar in granites and enclaves by its higher BaO and SrO concentrations (Table 3).

Biotite and muscovite. Biotite in granites and enclaves is foxy-red, with inclusions of ilmenite, apatite, zircon and monazite. That in microgranular enclaves overlaps in composition with that in granites, but is generally lower in Al^{VI}, and extends to more Mg-rich compositions (Table 4 and Fig. 6). Rare Mg-rich greenish biotite associated with labradorite in some ME (Fig. 3D) is lower in Al^{VI} and Ti, and higher in Mg than other analysed grains, but biotite from the two most aluminous metamorphic enclaves studied is also relatively low in Ti and high in Mg. Phlogopite from the Lemail lamprophyre is much higher in Mg and Ti, and lower in Al^{VI} than the most Mg-rich biotite in ME.

Muscovite is present in granites, some NIE, and a few igneous enclaves. Most commonly, it forms anhedral-to-subhedral masses mantling and replacing andalusite or cordierite, or veinlets cutting K-feldspar and plagioclase. More rarely, muscovite occurs as coarse, subhedral-to-euhedral books associated with biotite in coarse-grained granites (e.g. 226A, 229, 230A), or as subhedral groundmass crystals in fine-grained granites (e.g. 217, 226D, and 230B), indicating a primary origin in these rocks (Table 2). Coarse-grained muscovite is present in some NIE from the Cammenellis, Isles of Scilly, and Bodmin Moor plutons, but is absent in ME, which contain only fine-grained, clearly secondary grains. The three igneous enclaves distinct from ME (226J1, 227J15, and 227J17) mentioned earlier also contain sparse coarse-grained muscovite (Table 2).

Cordierite occurs as anhedral-to-euhedral grains in the granitic rocks, and as irregular masses in both ME and NIE. In NIE it is present: (1) as fine-grained intergrowths with quartz, (2) enclosing sillimanite, corundum and hercynitic spinel (e.g. Fig. 4C), (3) in melasomes with biotite, and (4) as multi-grain aggregates at granite-enclave contacts. Cordierite compositions in granitic rocks and NIE are both Fe-rich, with molar Mg/[Mg+Fe] ranging from 0.29 to 0.56 (Table 5), but some anhedral grains in granites and NIE range to higher MnO concentrations than subhedral grains in granites.

The cordierite is deficient in octahedrally coordinated cations (i.e. low Fe+Mg+Mn), with Na in channelways maintaining stoichiometry (Table 5).

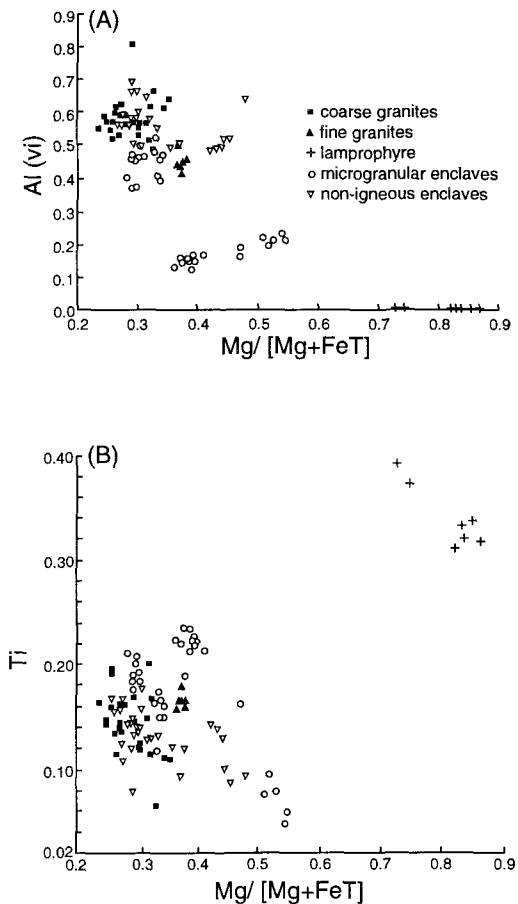


Fig. 6. Biotite compositions in granites, enclaves and Lemail lamprophyre. (A) Al^{VI} vs Mg/[Mg+Fe], (B) Ti vs Mg/[Mg+Fe]. See Table 4 for representative data.

Na₂O contents in the analysed samples range from ~ 0.3 to 1.6 wt.%. Assuming that low totals are due to the presence of volatiles, the concentration of such elements ranges from ~ 2 to 6 wt.%, but the filled tetrahedral sites and high Na contents suggest that some other cation (possibly Li or Be) must be present to maintain charge balance. Cordierite in many of the granite samples and in all ME is replaced by pinite.

Spinels, aluminosilicates and corundum. Hercynitic spinel (molar Fe/[Fe+Mg] = 0.91 to 0.93) is common in NIE (Table 6). It typically forms small, euhedral-to-subhedral grains enclosed in cordierite and associated with sillimanite and ilmenite (Fig. 4C). Chromite is present as rare inclusions in other minerals in some silica-deficient, high-grade NIE (e.g. 208J8). Aluminosilicates and/or corundum are present in all NIE (Table 6). Andalusite is more

TABLE 5. Representative electron microprobe analysis of cordierite in granites and enclaves

	CG/CM 230A	CG/LE 227J29	FG/CM 230B	NIE/CM 229J2	NIE/CM 230J2	NIE/SA 208J8	NIE/SA 208J8	NIE/SA 208J2
Wt.% oxide								
SiO ₂	47.54	46.86	47.06	47.33	46.75	46.70	46.14	46.39
TiO ₂	0.00	0.00	0.05	0.05	0.02	0.05	0.04	0.03
Al ₂ O ₃	32.36	31.74	32.02	32.15	31.78	31.87	31.31	31.80
FeO	10.62	11.71	10.46	9.32	12.78	12.06	13.47	13.73
MnO	0.41	0.33	0.29	0.55	0.80	0.72	0.90	0.91
MgO	5.74	4.34	5.54	5.54	3.37	4.45	3.52	3.27
CaO	0.00	0.02	0.01	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.04	0.04
Na ₂ O	0.93	1.59	1.07	1.38	1.39	0.85	0.87	1.06
K ₂ O	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
H ₂ O	2.39	3.41	3.50	3.66	3.09	3.27	3.71	2.77
Total	97.61	96.59	96.50	96.34	96.91	96.73	96.29	97.23
Si-	5.005	5.022	5.009	5.027	5.024	5.003	5.007	4.993
Ti-	0.000	0.000	0.004	0.004	0.001	0.004	0.003	0.002
Al-	4.015	4.010	4.017	4.025	4.026	4.025	4.005	4.035
Fe-	0.935	1.049	0.932	0.827	1.149	1.080	1.223	1.236
Mn-	0.036	0.030	0.026	0.049	0.073	0.066	0.083	0.083
Mg-	0.901	0.693	0.880	0.878	0.541	0.711	0.569	0.525
K-	0.000	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Ca-	0.000	0.002	0.001	0.003	0.002	0.003	0.004	0.004
Na-	0.191	0.330	0.222	0.285	0.289	0.176	0.184	0.222
Mg#	0.49	0.40	0.49	0.51	0.32	0.40	0.32	0.30
M+2	1.872	1.774	1.838	1.757	1.765	1.860	1.879	1.848
M+2,+1	2.063	2.106	2.059	2.042	2.054	2.036	2.063	2.069

Total Fe as FeO; H₂O by difference; cations based on 18 oxygens.

Abbreviations as in Table 2 and Appendix I.

common than sillimanite (except in enclaves from the St. Austell granite), comprising up to 30 vol.% of some samples (Table 2). It occurs as porphyroblasts several cm in length, and as anhedral groundmass grains. Pink pleochroic cores are relatively rich in Fe compared to clear rims (Table 6). Sillimanite (> 2 µm) is most abundant in enclaves from the St. Austell pluton (Fig. 4B and C). Fibrolite (< 2 µm) occurs as inclusions in biotite, muscovite and tourmaline in NIE from the Isles of Scilly and Carnmenellis plutons (Fig. 4D). These rocks also contain abundant andalusite porphyroblasts, which show little or no reaction to sillimanite, suggesting that andalusite persists metastably into the sillimanite field, and that initial sillimanite formation is due to a reaction other than the breakdown of andalusite (Pattison, 1992). Corundum forms anhedral masses surrounded by cordierite in several NIE collected from the St. Austell pluton (Fig. 4B).

Opaque minerals. Ilmenite is ubiquitous as inclusions and small grains in the granitic rocks and enclaves. It is particularly abundant in some NIE, comprising up to 5 vol.% of several samples (Fig. 4C and Table 6). Ilmenite contains a very low hematite component (< 0.03 mol.%), low MgO, and high MnO. Trace amounts of pyrrhotite and Fe-Cu sulphide occur in both NIE and ME, but were not analysed. Fine-grained, platy opaques, interpreted as graphite, are present as inclusions in other minerals in some NIE, especially from the St. Austell pluton.

Whole-rock chemistry

Whole-rock analyses of enclaves and granitic host-rocks are given in Table 7 and plotted in Figs. 7 and 8. Granitic to tonalitic ME generally extend the compositional trends of their host granites to more

TABLE 6. Representative electron microprobe analyses of spinel, ilmenite, and andalusite in granites and enclaves

	NIE/SA	NIE/SA	NIE/SA	NIE/SA	NIE/SA	NIE/SA	CG/LE	CG/SA	NIE/CM
	Spinel			Ilmenite					Andalusite
	208J8	208J8	208J2	208J8	208J1	208J1	61	208	114D
Wt.% oxide									
SiO ₂	0.00	0.01	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.00	0.00	36.74
TiO ₂	0.06	0.08	0.02	52.38	51.43	52.30	52.76	52.88	0.00
Al ₂ O ₃	57.60	57.16	58.21	0.01	0.03	0.06	0.01	0.01	62.06
Cr ₂ O ₃	0.39	1.03	0.59	0.00	0.05	0.02	0.00	0.01	0.02
FeO	36.31	36.61	33.90	41.60	42.89	44.79	41.14	45.42	0.20
MnO	0.61	0.67	0.53	5.04	5.11	2.48	6.32	2.15	0.03
MgO	1.87	1.50	1.38	0.06	0.08	0.07	0.04	0.07	0.00
ZnO	1.99	1.92	3.83	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Total	98.83	98.99	98.52	99.11	99.62	99.75	100.27	100.57	99.05
Si-	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.001	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000	1.000
Ti-	0.001	0.002	0.000	1.002	0.985	0.996	0.999	0.998	0.000
Al-	1.975	1.963	1.997	0.000	0.001	0.002	0.000	0.000	1.990
Cr-	0.009	0.024	0.014	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Fe-	0.883	0.892	0.825	0.884	0.913	0.948	0.866	0.954	0.005
Mn-	0.015	0.017	0.013	0.109	0.110	0.053	0.135	0.046	0.001
Mg-	0.081	0.065	0.060	0.002	0.003	0.003	0.001	0.002	0.000
Zn-	0.043	0.041	0.082						
IV	1.985	1.989	2.012	1.002	0.986	0.996	0.999	0.998	3.990
VI	1.022	1.015	0.981	0.995	1.026	1.004	1.002	1.002	
XFe	0.92	0.93	0.93 Ilm	1.000	0.977	0.996	0.998	0.998	
XMg	0.08	0.07	0.07 Hem	0.000	0.023	0.004	0.002	0.002	

NA; not analysed. Total Fe as FeO.

Abbreviations as in Appendix 1.

mafic compositions (Fig. 2 and Table 2), and can be distinguished from NIE by their lower Al₂O₃, MgO, and Cr, and higher SiO₂, CaO, P₂O₅, REE, Th and Sr contents. These chemical differences are consistent with the mineralogical and textural relationships summarized above. Three of the most felsic igneous enclaves (226J1, 227J15 and 227J17) are texturally and compositionally distinct from ME, and probably represent fragments of fine- and medium-grained granitic rocks incorporated in the coarse-grained host, as suggested by previous workers (Table 1). All other enclaves with igneous compositions and textures are typical 'mafic microgranular enclaves' (Didier and Barbarin, 1991b), which are widely accepted as forming by interaction of mafic and felsic magmas (Vernon, 1983, 1990; Didier and Barbarin, 1991a, and references therein).

Two of the largest ME are megascopically heterogeneous, allowing analyses of different portions of the same sample (Fig. 3A and B).

Sample 208J5 is a composite enclave consisting of a melanocratic enclave (analysis 5B in Table 7) enclosed in a paler enclave (analysis 5A). Sample 222J1 contains abundant large crystals of K-feldspar, plagioclase, quartz and biotite; analysis 222J1A in Table 7 is of the whole-rock, whereas analysis 222J1B represents material that was hand-picked to exclude large crystals (i.e. a groundmass separate). Lines connecting these sample pairs trend parallel to the broader array defined by ME and the hosting granites for elements (e.g. Al, Fe, Mg, Cr) that typically show low mobility (Fig. 7).

Granites and ME define broadly linear trends for more immobile elements, with a gap between mafic ME and most felsic igneous enclaves (Fig. 7). Analyses of ME sampled by Brammall and Harwood (1932) extend the arrays defined by our ME samples to more basic compositions, where they overlap the broad field defined by the Cornubian lamprophyre dykes and the Exeter Volcanics (Fig. 8).

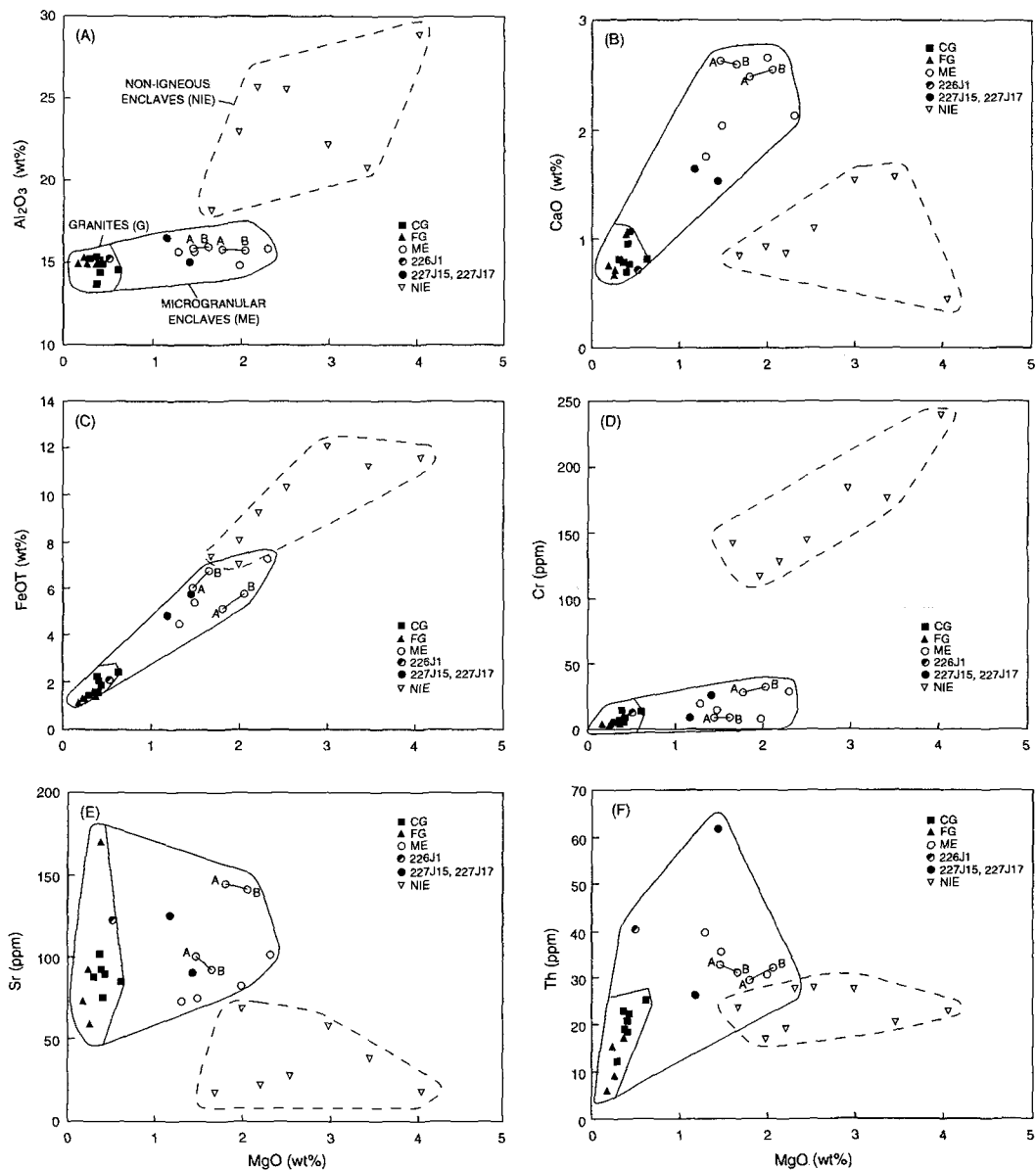


Fig. 7. Major and trace element variation diagrams for enclaves and granite host rocks analysed in this study. Whole-rock analyses normalized to 100% on an anhydrous basis (see Table 7 for raw data).

Rare-earth element (*REE*) data for the granites and their enclaves are summarized in Fig. 9. The coarse- and fine-grained granites yield overlapping patterns (Fig. 9A and B) similar to those documented in other studies of the Cornubian batholith (Darbyshire and Shepherd, 1985; Charoy, 1986; Ward *et al.*, 1992). The *REE* patterns displayed by the enclaves are

similar to those of the granites, but enclaves generally have higher *REE* contents and larger negative Eu anomalies than their host-rocks, with ME ranging to higher values than NIE (Fig. 9C and D). The Lemail lamprophyre has a *REE* pattern typical of potassic volcanic rocks of SW England, whereas basaltic rocks of the Exeter Volcanics have

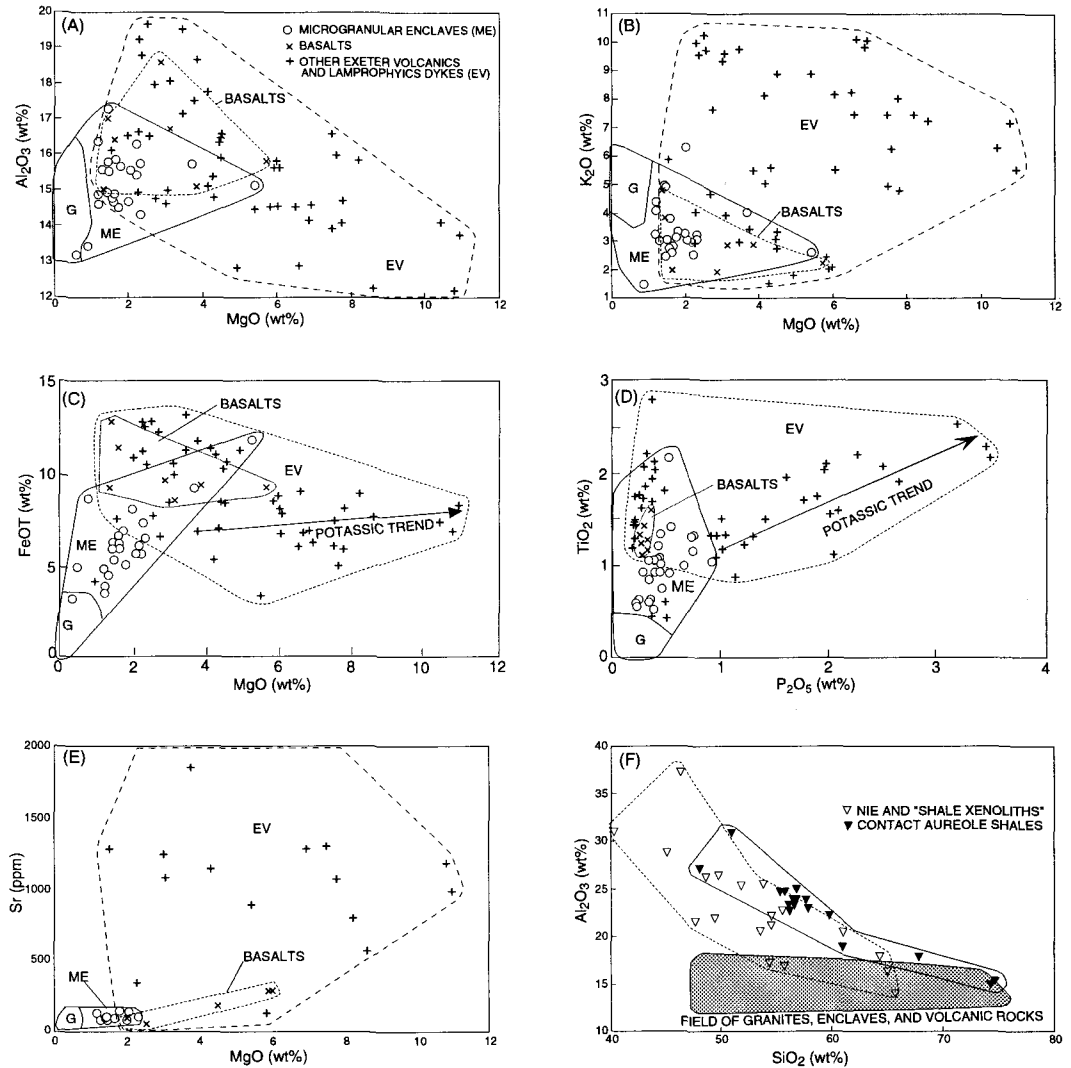


FIG. 8. Major and trace element variation diagrams for granites, enclaves, the associated Exeter Volcanics and dykes (EV), and metasedimentary rocks of the contact aureole. Basaltic rocks of the EV are distinguished from potassic rocks based on descriptions by the original investigators (data from: this study; Brammall and Harwood, 1932; Tidmarsh, 1932; Ghosh, 1928, 1934; Exley and Stone, 1982; Mitropoulos, 1982; Jefferies, 1985; Darbyshire and Sheppard, 1985; Charoy, 1986; Leat *et al.*, 1987; Thorpe *et al.*, 1986; and Thorpe, 1987; and Ward *et al.*, 1992).

Only the field of granitic rocks (G) is shown. Data normalized to 100% on an anhydrous basis.

much lower REE abundances (Fig. 9E). The REE patterns of ME do not closely resemble those of either the potassic or basaltic rocks of SW England. High REE contents and light REE enrichments relative to host granites have also been observed in other studies of microgranular (Barbarin, 1991; Orsini *et al.*, 1991) and restitic or surmicaceous

(Barbey, 1991; Montel *et al.*, 1991) enclaves, and are probably due to late-stage exchange between enclaves and their host rocks, as described below.

There is considerable evidence that some rocks within the contact aureole of the Cornubian batholith have been modified by interaction with fluids derived from the granites, but there is no evidence for partial

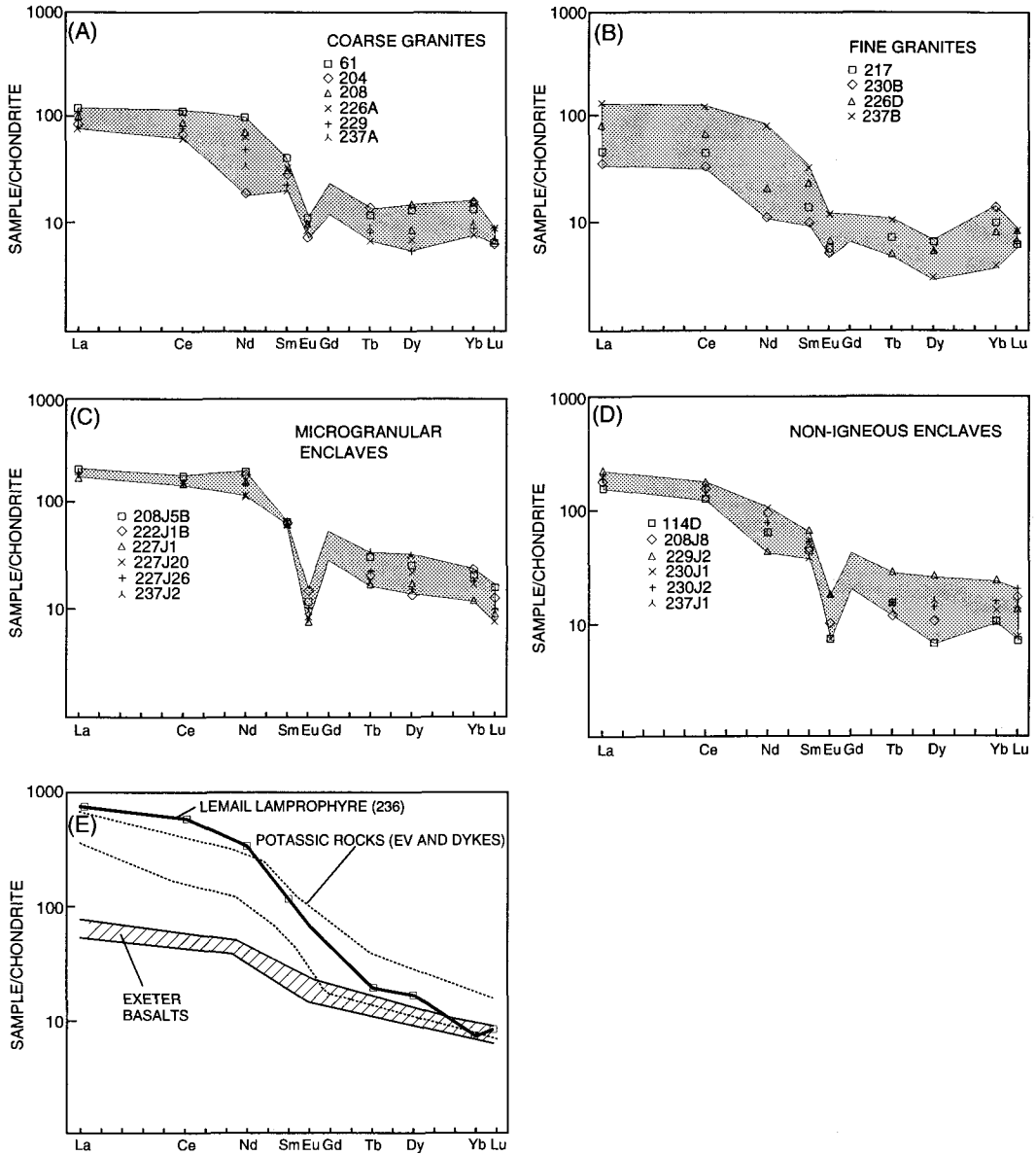


FIG. 9. Chondrite-normalized REE diagrams for granites, enclaves, and associated lamprophyre dykes and for Exeter Volcanics (for data see: Table 7 and Leat *et al.*, 1987; Thorpe *et al.*, 1986; and Thorpe, 1987). Normalization factors from Nakamura (1974).

melting at the current level of exposure (Brammall and Harwood, 1932; Mitropoulos, 1982). Overall, analyses of metasedimentary rocks from the contact aureole, 'shale xenoliths', and our NIE samples define a broad trend distinct from that of the granites

and ME. That NIE are chemically unrelated to ME is especially clear in plots involving CaO , Al_2O_3 and SiO_2 (Figs. 7 and 8). A few NIE plot at even higher Al_2O_3 and lower SiO_2 than aureole shales (Fig. 8F). These NIE samples must represent the residua of

partial melting at variable but higher P - T conditions than that represented at the current level of exposure.

Discussion

Chemical exchange between enclaves and granitic magma

Protracted chemical exchange between enclaves and their granitic hosts renders interpretation of enclave chemistry problematic (Eberz and Nicholls, 1990; Barbarin, 1991; Orsini *et al.*, 1991; Zorpi *et al.*, 1991; van der Laan and Wyllie, 1993). Chemical modification may occur through numerous processes, summarized by Barbarin and Didier (1992). Although not all workers agree on which constituents are most affected, there is a consensus that the elements with the highest mobilities include K, Na, Cs, Rb, and Ba, whereas Fe, Mg, Ni, Cr, Zn, and V are the least mobile. Other components, including Si, Al, Ti, Ca, P, Sr, Zr, Y, Nb, Th, U, and REE show variable mobility.

The chemical trends of the enclaves are best understood by examining their textures and mineral assemblages. Cornubian ME consist dominantly of plagioclase, biotite, quartz, ilmenite, and lesser K-feldspar and accessory minerals. Partial re-equilibration of early-formed minerals (plagioclase, biotite and ilmenite) *via* interstitial liquid could potentially increase the concentrations of elements compatible in these phases (K, Rb, Nb, Y, Sr, Ca). The large overlaps in composition between these minerals in enclaves and their host granites (especially plagioclase and biotite) are consistent with extensive chemical exchange.

Textural relationships in some ME suggest that late-stage crystallization was dominated by growth of quartz and K-feldspar, but also included accessory minerals such as apatite, zircon, monazite and sulphides. Development of this assemblage would have the effect of increasing the concentration of silica, alkalis and incompatible elements (P, Y, Zr, Hf, Th, U, and REE). Enrichment in incompatible elements in other ME suites has been substantiated by comparison with coeval mafic plutons, which show lower (*i.e.* typical) abundances of these elements (Orsini *et al.*, 1991).

NIE are the residua of partial melting, consisting dominantly of aluminous minerals, biotite, plagioclase and accessory phases. Similar enclaves, interpreted as restites (Barbey, 1991; Montel *et al.*, 1991), are rich in certain incompatible (Zr, Nb, Y, U, Th, REE and P) and compatible elements (Mg, Ni, Cr, V, and Sc), and have variable Ca and Sr contents depending on the amount of residual plagioclase. Thus the trace element composition of NIE reflects

both the high proportion of biotite, ilmenite and the accessory phases (apatite, zircon, monazite, and Fe-Cu sulphides), as well as interaction with the most magma.

Microgranular enclaves and the mafic end-member in Cornubian granite genesis

In numerous other studies mafic ME such as those observed in the Cornubian batholith have been interpreted as hybrid magmas, formed by mafic-silicic magma interaction. Detailed examination of such enclave suites in granites and rhyolites has shown that they are typically more evolved than either associated mafic plutons or lavas (Bacon, 1986; Stimac *et al.*, 1990; Zorpi *et al.*, 1991). ME are depleted in compatible elements such as Mg, Ni, Cr, Ca and Sc relative to associated mafic rocks. Moreover both the bimodal mineral assemblage (exhibiting complex disequilibrium reaction textures) and fine-grained groundmass of ME are entirely consistent with scenarios involving crystal fractionation and magma mixing/co-mingling, but are at odds with either cumulate or restite interpretations because: (1) both restites and cumulates should be enriched, not depleted, in compatible elements, and (2) cumulates should be relatively coarse-grained, with normally-zoned, equilibrium mineral assemblages.

In a simplified magma mixing model, the mafic end-member intrudes the base of a silicic system, undergoes some crystal fractionation prior to or concurrently with mixing, and eventually produces magma with intermediate composition in a hybrid layer. This intermediate magma subsequently intrudes higher levels of the silicic system, forming enclaves (Stimac and Pearce, 1992). In such a situation, the mafic end-member of the system will rarely be preserved in the upper portions of a plutonic complex, and extrapolation of the linear trends defined by the enclaves and host granites will lead to underestimation of the concentrations of compatible elements in the mafic end-member.

We have shown above that ME in the Cornubian batholith are distinct from NIE and have textures and compositions consistent with partial quenching of hybrid intermediate magmas, later modified by exchange with the hosting granitic magmas. Evidence for such an origin includes: (1) the igneous mineralogy and fine-grained texture typical of ME, suggestive of rapid (undercooled) crystallization of a relatively mafic magma; (2) the occurrence of scarce, medium-grained, crystal aggregates of labradorite and Mg-rich biotite in some ME, which probably represent phenocrysts from more mafic magmas; (3) the presence of coarse-grained feldspar, quartz and biotite crystals in ME, which are the same size and composition as

phenocrysts in the host granite, and exhibit reaction textures typical of silicic xenocrysts in mixed magmas; (4) the fact that ME define broadly linear arrays (for immobile elements) that extend from the host granite trend to considerably more mafic compositions; and (5) the observation that lines connecting paired samples from heterogeneous and composite enclaves generally parallel those arrays.

The origin of large K-feldspar crystals in ME deserves special attention because in southwest England such occurrences have been widely interpreted as a result of metasomatism (Stone and Austin, 1961; Exley and Stone, 1964, 1982; Al-Turki, 1972). This interpretation was based in part on the assumption that enclaves were solid rocks (i.e. country-rock, basic igneous xenoliths, or restitic material) at the time of incorporation. The evidence cited in these studies includes the occurrence of megacrysts inside or straddling enclave-granite contacts or cutting aplite-granite contacts. However, K-feldspar megacrysts are nowhere present in NIE, as would be expected if late metasomatic growth had occurred. Moreover, ME containing K-feldspar megacrysts also contain coarse-grained plagioclase and biotite similar in composition to phenocrysts in the host granites (Figs. 5 and 6). These textural and compositional relationships are entirely consistent with formation of microgranular enclaves by magma mixing, the coarse-grained minerals being derived from the silicic end-member magma (cf. Hibbard, 1981; Vernon, 1990). K-feldspar megacrysts in many Cornubian granites and ME also contain rounded interfaces and zones with inclusions of plagioclase, biotite and quartz. Such features are typical of the complex crystallization histories of magmatic feldspar (Vernon, 1983; Stimac and Pearce, 1992). Moreover, K-feldspar megacrysts in microgranular enclaves are commonly mantled by plagioclase (An_{14-27}), whereas similar mantles are essentially absent in the granite host (cf. Brammell and Harwood, 1932; Fig. 3F). Such rapakivi mantles on K-feldspar are common in enclave-rich hybrid magmas, and form in response to the mixing process (Hibbard, 1981; Bussy, 1990; Vernon, 1990; Stimac and Wark, 1992), but are inconsistent with the concept that K-feldspar formed by late metasomatic growth.

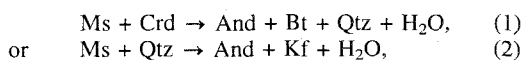
A connexion between Cornubian granites and basaltic rocks of the Exeter Volcanics was advocated by Tidmarsh (1932), who considered some basalts to represent mixtures of mantle-derived magmas and granitic magmas of the batholith. The composition and mineralogy of ME sampled in this study do not establish a definitive link to either the basaltic or potassic rocks volcanic rocks of SW England, but suggest that ME are more closely

affiliated with the basalts than the strongly potassic rocks. Potential mixing arrays defined by the granites and ME project into the field defined by lamprophyres and basalts, but more closely parallel the trends of the basaltic rocks (Fig. 8). However, it is clear that relative to any parent basalt, ME compositions have been considerably modified through crystal fractionation, magma mixing, and subsequent interaction with their granitic hosts. In particular, ME are: (1) depleted in compatible elements, probably due to fractionation of olivine and clinopyroxene; and (2) enriched in incompatible elements such as Hf, Y, Th, U and REE, probably due to late crystallization of incompatible-rich accessory phases in the enclaves, stimulated by chemical exchange with their granite host magmas. Although these latter enrichments may also be suggestive of lamprophyric affinities (e.g. Ayrton, 1991), the extreme mismatch between ME and the potassic rocks for many elements make this possibility unlikely.

The sparsity of ME in the Cornubian granites may reflect the highly evolved composition and shallow erosional level of the batholith. Nevertheless, the existence of ME in even trace amounts confirms that coeval mafic magmas played a role in the evolution, and probably in the origin of the granites. The fact that such enclaves are present in all of the major plutons except Carnmenellis suggests that mafic input occurred over essentially the entire spatial and temporal range of the batholith (Clark *et al.*, 1993). The importance of basaltic injection in the origin of granitic magmas has been stressed by a number of workers on the basis of physical, chemical and textural arguments (Hildreth, 1981; Huppert and Sparks, 1988). Addition of mantle-derived heat provides an explanation for large-volume crustal melting in regions of relatively thin crust such as southwest England (Stone and Exley, 1986; Willis-Richards and Jackson, 1989).

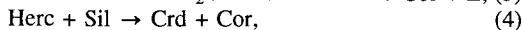
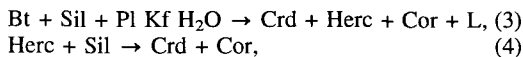
Non-igneous enclaves (NIE)

Individual NIE in the Cornubian granites have mineral assemblages that provide broad constraints on their *T* and *P* of formation, and imply that they have suffered variable degrees of partial melting and melt extraction. NIE containing coarse-grained muscovite preserve evidence for the reactions:



which generated enclaves rich in andalusite, biotite and quartz (e.g. 229J2). At least one such enclave contains leucosomes that may represent trapped melt (237J1). A few NIE consist of strongly silica-

deficient layers containing cordierite, hercynite, corundum and biotite. Similar assemblages are common in the inner domains of high-*T*, moderate-*P*, contact aureoles (Pattison and Harte, 1989; Grant and Frost, 1990) and the melanosomes of migmatites (e.g. Harris, 1981). Textural relationships suggest that corundum in these enclaves formed by the reactions:



during progressive anatexis. These NIE may represent fragments derived from unexposed levels of the contact aureole or restite from the region of magma generation. The high Al_2O_3 , Cr and MgO, and low SiO_2 , CaO and K_2O contents of some NIE are plausibly ascribed to extraction of partial melts. As described by Harris (1981), anatexis reduces the SiO_2 , alkali, and H_2O contents in the residuum: free silica is lost when the composition reaches the cordierite–garnet–sillimanite plane in the system Al_2O_3 – SiO_2 – FeO – MgO , while, with further melting, garnet is consumed and the remaining phases are joined by spinel and, finally, by corundum. The absence of garnet in all of our NIE samples could indicate either that garnet was destroyed through reactions such as:



or that all such enclaves were metamorphosed at pressures below the stability of garnet. It should, however, be noted that rare garnet-bearing granite and enclaves have been reported from the Dartmoor pluton (Brammall and Harwood, 1932). Stone (1990) re-examined these samples and concluded that garnet and cordierite were restitic, implying a depth of magma generation between 18 and 25 km (~ 6 –8 kbar).

Overall, NIE have a range of compositions, textures and mineral assemblages suggesting higher (but variable) *T* and *P* of formation than those of the exposed contact aureoles. The common occurrence of andalusite-only, andalusite + fibrolite, or sillimanite-only assemblages suggest that most NIE equilibrated at relatively low pressures, at or below the aluminosilicate triple point (≤ 4.5 kbar: Pattison, 1992). It is probable that observed NIE in Cornubian granites were derived from depths ranging from the site of anatexis, for which *T* and *P* have been estimated at $\sim 800^\circ\text{C}$ and 5 kbar by Charoy (1986), to near the current level of exposure [*T* and *P* estimated at 520 – 540°C and 1 kbar based on aureole assemblages by Floyd (1971) and $\sim 650^\circ\text{C}$ and 2.0–2.5 kbar based on mineral assemblages in the granites by Charoy (1986)]. We observe no clear relation between the textures and mineral assemblages in the aureole and those of NIE, and thus find it unlikely

that NIE were derived from the current level of exposure as was suggested by Ghosh (1928, 1934) and Lister (1984).

Conclusions

Enclaves of both igneous (ME) and metamorphic origin (NIE) are present in trace amounts in the coarse-grained biotite granites of the Cornubian batholith. Enclaves of igneous origin can be distinguished from enclaves of restitic material and thermally metamorphosed country-rock by their microgranular texture, low Al_2O_3 , high CaO and the mineral assemblage, plagioclase, biotite, quartz \pm K-feldspar, opaques, and apatite \pm cordierite. In contrast, enclaves of metamorphic origin are layered, high in Al_2O_3 and low in CaO, and contain abundant aluminosilicates, corundum, cordierite and biotite.

NIE have a range of mineral assemblages and compositions suggesting various degrees of melt extraction and variable metamorphic conditions. Rare NIE containing the highest-grade assemblages (sillimanite–hercynite–corundum–biotite) may be truly restitic, whereas more typical NIE containing andalusite but no sillimanite may represent either re-equilibrated restitic material or thermally metamorphosed country-rock from levels deeper than the present level of exposure.

ME define a broad compositional range from granite to tonalite and do not preserve direct mineralogical evidence of either a basaltic or lamprophyric component. In the light of the textural evidence for the hybrid origin of the ME, chemical trends are taken to represent mixing arrays between biotite granite and an unobserved end-member of mafic composition, significantly modified by host-enclave exchange for some elements. The large disparity in concentrations of K, P, Ba, Rb, Sr, Ni and Cr between the enclave-granite array and the field of the more potassic rocks of the coeval Exeter Volcanics implies that the ME were probably derived from a basaltic rather than a lamprophyric parent (Fig. 8). Partially reacted megacrysts of K-feldspar, plagioclase, quartz and biotite are common in ME, but entirely absent in enclaves of metamorphic origin. Textural and chemical evidence indicates that K-feldspar megacrysts in the enclaves were derived from the silicic end-member in the course of magma mixing, and not from metasomatic processes.

The presence of microgranular enclaves in granites ranging in age from 275 to 290 Ma (Chen *et al.*, 1993), and the occurrence of coeval lamprophyric dykes and the basaltic to lamprophyric Exeter Volcanics, suggest that heat added to the deep crust by injection of mantle-derived magmas may have

been a factor in the generation of the Cornubian batholith, as in other sites of large-volume crustal melting in regions of relatively thin crust.

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APPENDIX I. Sample Locations

Sample	Description	Location/Pluton	Latitude	Longitude
61	CG	Lamorna Cove, LE	50°03'52"N	5°33'48"W
114D	NIE	Kessel Quarry, CM	50°09'35"N	5°1'00"W
204	CG	Pewtor, DM	50°32'24"N	4°0'20"W
208	CG	Luxulyan Quarry, SA	50°23'50"N	4°44'25"W
208J2	NIE			
208J5	ME			
208J8	NIE			
217	FG	Castle-An-Dinas, LE	50°09'30"N	5°31'10"W
222J1	ME	Birch Tor, DM	50°36'44"N	3°51'50"W
226A	CG	Peninnis Cove, SI	49°54'15"N	6°18'10"W
226D	FG			
226J1	ME			
227J1	ME	Sennen Cove, LE	50°04'41"N	5°42'15"W
227J15	ME			
227J17	ME			
227J20	ME			
227J26	ME			
229A	CG	Carnsew Quarry, CM	50°10'05"N	5°08'20"W
229B	FG			
229J1	NIE			
230A	CG	Chywoon Quarry, CM	50°10'10"N	5°09'15"W
230B	FG			
230J1	NIE			
230J2	NIE			
236	LAMP	Lemail lamprophyre	50°31'24"N	4°47'27"W
237A	CG	De Lank Quarry, BM	50°32'47"N	4°40'50"W
237B	FG			
237J1	NIE			
237J2	ME			

LE, Land's End pluton; CM, Carnmenellis; DM, Dartmoor; SA, St. Austell; BM, Bodmin Moor; SI, Isles of Scilly; CG, Coarse-grained granitoid; FG, fine-grained granitoid; ME, microgranular enclave; NIE, non-igneous enclave; LAMP, lamprophyre.

APPENDIX II. Analytical methods

Field, chemical and textural study of the granites and their enclaves was limited by poor exposure, and extensive alteration due to late-stage and post-emplacement processes. Alteration includes locally quasi-pervasive kaolinization and greisenization. Special efforts were made to obtain pristine material, but in some cases the paucity of enclaves dictated examination of slightly altered rocks. Microgranular enclaves are most affected by sericitization and chloritization, whereas enclaves with metamorphic textures are affected primarily by tourmalinization.

Samples were crushed in a steel jaw crusher and pulverized in a tungsten carbide shatterbox. Duplicate discs for X-ray fluorescence analysis were prepared by fusing 3.000 ± 0.005 g of sample and 6.000 ± 0.005 g of Li-metaborate flux in graphite crucibles at 1150°C for 40–60 minutes. The surfaces of the fused discs were then ground flat and polished. Duplicate samples were analyzed for major elements (Si, Ti, Al, Fe, Mn, Mg, Ca, Na, K, and P) and selected trace elements (Ba, Rb, Sr, V, Cr, Ni, Zn, Y, Zr, and Nb) with a Rigaku 3064 Dataflex X-Ray fluorescence spectrometer at Los Alamos National Laboratory. Data reduction was accomplished by the 'fundamental parameters' method (Criss, 1980) which applies X-ray absorption and secondary fluorescence corrections to a set of standard intensities. Analyses of standards indicate that 2σ precision is generally 2–3% for major elements except Mn and P (5–10%), and 2–3% at concentrations of > 50 ppm for trace elements. Accuracy is typically within 5–10% for Sr, Zn, Rb, V, Zr, and Y, and from 15 to 25% for Ba, Cr, Nb, and Ni at concentrations of > 50 ppm. Both precision and accuracy are poorer near detection limits, especially for Ba, Cr, Ni, and Nb.

Neutron activation analyses were carried out at the automated Los Alamos National Laboratory Omega West Reactor. Vials containing approximately 4 g of sample were weighed on a computerized balance, and exposed to a neutron flux of $\sim 6 \times 10^{12}$ n/s/cm² for 20 s. Samples were counted at 20 min, 7 days, and 2–3 weeks to measure both short- and long-lived radionuclides. The data were acquired via four Ge(Li) gamma-ray detectors, each with FWHM at 1332 keV of approximately 2.1 keV, and reduced on a PDP-11/60 computer using a program, 'Raygun', which fits peaks and backgrounds and corrects for overlaps. Standard analysis indicates that the system yields 1σ standard deviation of < 5% for isotopes well above detection limit. A '<' sign preceding values listed in Table 7 signifies minimum detection limits for that element in a given sample.

Microanalyses of minerals were obtained using a Cameca MBX electron microprobe operating at 15 kV accelerating potential and 0.015 μA sample current. Data were calculated using a Bence-Albee reduction scheme. Calibration for WDS analysis was achieved using appropriate mineral standards, and checked by analysis of secondary standards.

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