Spatial correlation of magnetic properties, deformation fabrics, and paragenesis: insights from the Athabasca granulite terrane, northern Saskatchewan

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Motivating questions

What can we learn through the integration of geophysical data and petrology to better understand metamorphic and structural processes at a variety of scales?

How can we use the knowledge of this petrophysical architecture to aid in understanding ancient and modern crustal processes?

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Geological context of the Athabasca granulite terrane

Simplified map modified from Hanmer 1994



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Magnetic patterning of the Athabasca granulite terrane Raw data provided by the Geological Survey of Canada



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Magnetic expression of the Chipman domain



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Chipman tonalite samples: 1, 2, &3 Photo by: Sean P. Regan



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Isothermal remanent magnetization



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Iron sulfide

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SEM image: sample 2 (width $\sim 2 \text{ mm}$)



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Mafic granulite sample: 4 Photo by: Sean P. Regan



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Heterogeneous magnetic susceptibility



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SEM image: A. (width ~ 2-mm)

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SEM image: C

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Whole section compositional gradient in garnet



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Garnet compositional mapping



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Garnet quantitative analyses



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Iron rich garnet with magnetite tails (width $\sim 2 \text{ mm}$)

Implications for iron oxidation state





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