

# Ultramafic rock of carbonatite complex of Tiruppattur India

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**Abstract:** - Ultramafic rock (*um*) occurring in carbonatite complex of Tiruppattur (12° 00'00"-12°30'00"N and 78°25'00"-78°35'00"E) includes dunite, peridotite, and pyroxenite. Normative composition of *um* appears to be derived by alteration of peridotite. It is enriched with MgO and Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> components but poor in CaO. Part of CaO is released out as carbonates from *um*. Normative clinopyroxene exceeds over olivine. Conversion of olivine into clinopyroxene- amphibole-biotite and spinel increases normative quartz content. Absence of accessory plagioclase indicates that *um* might have been formed at higher PTX above stability field of plagioclase in mantle. Plagioclase component at mantle PTX condition in *um*, anorthite / albite break down into tschermakite and quartz. Formation of tschermakite may be caused enrichment of SiO<sub>2</sub>, Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Na and Fe<sup>3+</sup> in residual *um*. Under subsolidus silica undersaturated residual *um* transforms continuously tschermakite – gehlinitite- meionite and calcite. On the other hand albite may be replaced into jadeite, acmite-calcite- soda melilite and meionite. The reversible process of transformation at low PTX of tschermakite by absorbing quartz transforms into anorthite / albite-jadeite into nepheline + albite, tschermakite, melilite, meionite acmite and albite at low PTX conditions at crust. These processes lead to silica undersaturation or oversaturation in *um*. Silica undersaturation in *um* is compensated by entry of non-silicate minerals and alumina bearing minerals at high PTX at mantle. Volatiles in mantle can be present as inclusions or bubbles in subsolidus mantle reduce rigidity of substratum column. The Increasing volume of volatiles reduces formation of nepheline and other silica undersaturated minerals. Mineralization of vermiculite, apatite, monazite, zircon, hercynite, nioborutile, REE bearing minerals exhibits evidence for alumina enrichment in *um*. The composition ranges of end members pyroxene (wollastonite-enstatite- ferrosilite) – jadeite - aegirine lead to subsolidus differentiate into two different trends of mafic and felsic / alkaline rock evolution from mantle source to crust under their inherent PTX.

**Keywords:** Carbonatite complex of Tirupattur, Alumina rich Ultramafic, Tschermakite-Jadeite-Acmite, Subsolidus mantle differentiation

## 1. INTRODUCTION

Ultramafic rock (*um*) encloses alkali syenites at three different sites in carbonatite complex of Tiruppattur (12° 00' 00"-12°30'00"N and 78°25'00"-78°35'00"E)

Tamil Nadu India. Many detailed studies are made on the carbonatite complex of Tiruppattur [1-9] but none of study is published on *um* occurring in this complex. The present paper focus on *um* to trace mode of occurrences of Mg-Al-Si rich *um* and their phase modifications under different PTX conditions.

## 2. METHODOLOGY

Field works were carried out several times for Ph.D. research-work under the guidance of Dr. S. Saravanan, Head of the Department of Geology, Presidency College, Chennai, between July 1967 and July 1973 on this carbonatite complex [1-4]. After joining the Tamil Nadu State Geology Branch, Department of Industries, exploration and prospecting for vermiculite, sulphides, iron oxides and ultra-potassic rocks were carried out by the author in this area between January 1974 and June 2000 on various occasions. Floats of iron oxide samples were collected on *um* to estimate Al<sup>3+</sup>, incompatible-elements and REE contents. Thin sections of co-magmatic alkali syenites were studied. The enrichment of alumina and magnesia in *um* were determined by standard wet-gravimetric analyzes and EDAX spot analyses of samples of *um* in the Metallurgical and Material Science Laboratory, IITM by using high resolution scanning electron microscope. Pieces of *um* show Mg-Al-Si mineral constituent at various sites estimated. The chemical composition of *um* varies one site to another in the same sample. Alkali rich pyroxene (soda-augite, aegirine-augite and acmite) and amphibole (riebeckite, richterite, arfvedsonite and kataphorite) are also found in some other *um* in different places in this complex. Alkali component is enriched at contact of carbonatite with *um* or alkali syenites. Major and trace elements in *um* were determined and interpreted. Rittmann's norms [10] were calculated for major elements.

## 3. FIELD AND PETROGRAPHIC STUDIES

Ultramafic rock (*um*) occurring in this area includes dunite, peridotite, harzburgite, leherzolute, websterite, pyroxenite, shonkinite and lamprophyre. Dunite grades into peridotite which further grades

imperceptibly into harzburgite, leherzolute, websterite and pyroxenite. The *um* occurs as an arc shaped body, on flanks of carbonatite and alkali syenites near Sevvattur village, alkaline components are enriched [4]. Vermiculite and apatite are mineralized. Very coarse-grained soda-pyroxene >10 cm<sup>3</sup> is seen. Vermiculite booklets ±10x8x3cm are seen for a depth over 20m. Apatite is mineralized along with vermiculite. Hydrothermal alteration of thin green coloured phlogopite plates associated with vermiculite might have been caused for this vermiculite deposit. A large body of *um* exposing over 24 km<sup>2</sup> is seen in the southwestern part of the carbonatite complex (Fig.1). It encloses riebeckite-syenite and other co-magmatic variants of zircon or garnet bearing alkali syenites.

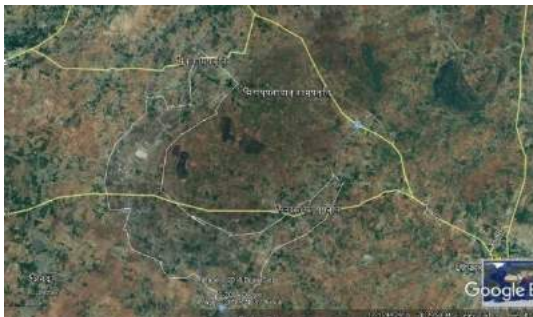


Fig. 1: Simplified map showing arc-like outcrop of *um* in the SW portion of the alkaline complex of Tiruppattur (Ramasamy, 1973 [2], 1982 [3], 2012 [4])

The *um* body is an over-turned (Fig.1) doubly plunging basin. Thin veinlets of brown coloured ankerite-carbonatite are exposed south of Olaipatti village. Again barium bearing carbonatite, beforosite, benstonite-carbonatite, and sovite veinlets are also found in this place within *um*. A very small body of barite 200x 15 cm is exposed for 100 m south of Onnakarai village. Apatite-magnetite rock exposes as small diatreme 1 km NE of Mottusulakkarai in *um*. The *um* occurs as coarse-grained, medium-grained, and fine-grained rocks. It also exhibits porphyritic and vesicular textures [7]. During examinations of thin sections under polarizing microscope no accessory minerals of plagioclase or alkali feldspars are seen in *um* except shonkinite which is composed of 50% sanidine and 50% of mafic minerals (Fig.2) mainly augite and olivine. Chrysotile veinlets are found along a shear zone trending NE-SW direction about 500m

west of Mottusulakkarai village where beforosite carbonatite is exposed.

EDAX images show overlapping large plates of pyroxene grains (50x50x1 µm) one over other. The interval between these plates varies between 1 and 5 µm. Some pyroxene clots have very fine fibrous chrysotites (Fig.3) 0.05 x 5 µm are developed.

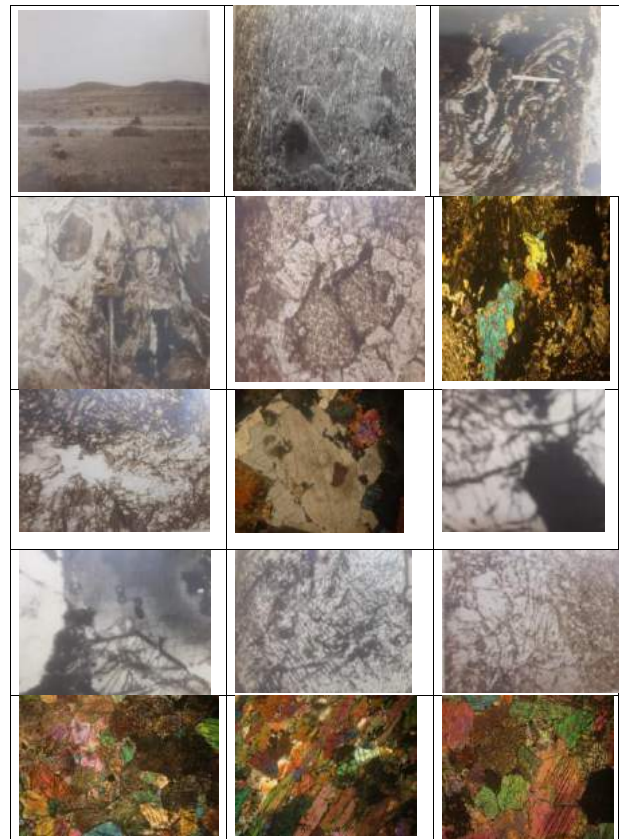


Fig. 2: Field exposures and thin sections of under polarizing microscope (left to right) 1: about 30 m high dunite- peridotite hillocks capped by magnesite and laterite 2: shonkinite exposure in 1967 3: folded pattern of skarn rock 4: ultrabasic nodule in skarn 5: replacement of diopside into andradite calcite at its peripheral portion 6: garnet bearing *um* nodule in skarn, 7: reaction texture in skarn 8: sanidine and aegirine augite bearing shonkinite 9: pseudomorph of magnetite after olivine 10: olivine and iron oxide clouded in sanidine (shonkinite) 11: release of iron oxide from diopside in pyroxenite 12: altered pyroxene in pyroxenite 13: development of amphibole in pyroxenite 14: flakes of phlogopite is seen in phlogopite-pyroxenite 15: clinopyroxene carrying amphibole, magnetite and garnet.

An arc-shaped skarn rock is exposed along contact between [7] garnet-syenite and *um*. It exhibits highly folded and deformed structure. It carries ultrabasic nodules of varying between 0.5 and 50 cm.

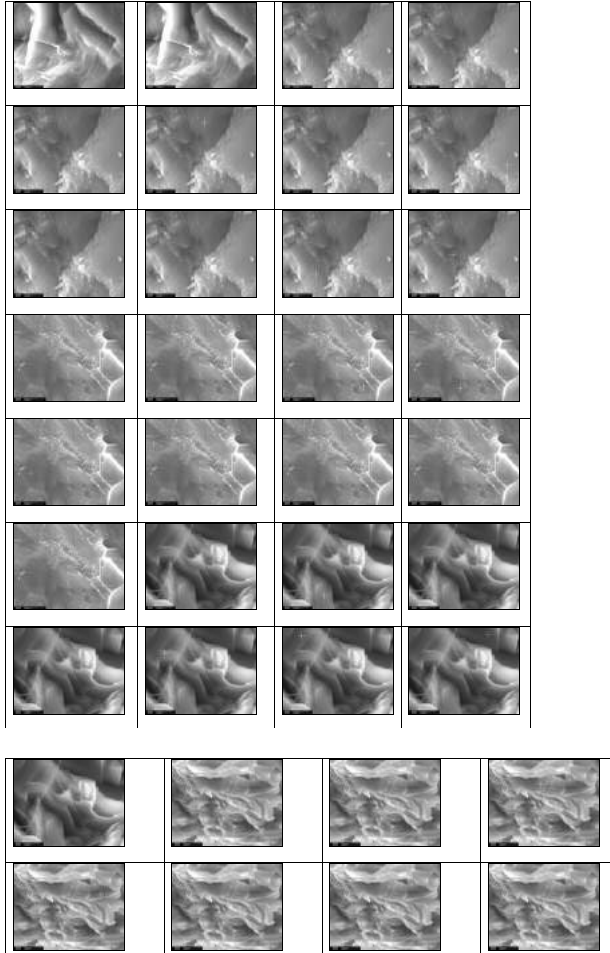


Fig.3: EDAX images show grain size, texture and mutual relationship of pyroxene grains in  $\mu\text{m}$ . The images show steeply dipping cross-cutting pyroxene crystals; rectangular shaped intergranular cavities with steep walls; enveloping growth of pyroxene; steep and shallow dipping growth of pyroxene grains are also found in some other sample.

The fold pattern of nodule and skarn is very similar (Fig. 2) to each other. Thickness of lamina varies between  $>1$  and 10 mm with folded structure is visible even in naked eye. The folding pattern of nodule is produced by making it as independent nodular form comprising with alternative tight dome and swelling basin in a single nodule. The nodule is comprised partially or completely replaced by calcite, wollastonite, melilite and scapolite in swelled basins and granular garnet meionite and diopside in narrow

and tightly folded adjacent dome. Native copper, silver, galena, pyrite, pyrrhotite, chalcopyrite, bornite are seen along axial planes of the laminae located mostly along domal anticline-axes. The intensity of transformation is increased from SW to NE. Arc-shaped skarn rock trends from N 20-S200° to N60-240° dipping steeply inward from NW to SE. It has more than 200m width in the north-east and less than 5 m width southwest near Onnakarai village and the length exceeds over 2 km. Ankerite carbonatite veinlets  $<500 \times 10$  cm and breccias of  $<100 \times 5$  cm are [7] seen along some fractures in the skarn. Albitite exposed adjacent to skarn carries galena, monazite and other REE minerals. Skarn at Kodamandapatti village is located 8 km NW of the skarn is independent body but contains no such *um* nodules except some green patches. Several parallel potassic or albitite myrolytic syenites of 2 to 5 m width extending over 200 m length are emplaced along parallel shear zones present in the NW part of the *um* arc.

Series of co-magmatic older soda rich and younger potash rich alkali syenites are emplaced in two adjacent structural basins in a sequential order in north and south with magmatic continuity [3]. Soda rich alkali syenites are imperceptibly grade into younger porphyritic syenites towards center of the northern basins where porphyritic hornblende syenites further grades into coarse-grained augite-porphyritic syenites in the southern portion of this basin. South of Jogipatti village a ring dyke of carbonatite partially enclosed by *um* composed more than 60% of richterite is seen. The southern basin is composed of series of riebeckite-anorthoclase pegmatite and aplite showing myrolytic texture. Agpaitic texture is seen in syenite [4] with development of riebeckite at peripheral portions of feldspars. Aplitic syenites exposed adjacent to Jogipatti ring complex of carbonatites carries meionite scapolite. Potassic and soda aplites are seen in *um* rocks trending E-W direction. Aplites exhibit poikilitic texture with zoned phenocryst of oligoclase ( $0.4 \times 0.3$  mm) to albite. Irregular oscillatory compositional zoning is exhibited among co-magmatic alkali syenites emplaced in this southern basin. Further south anorthoclase-garnet-syenite is exposed. Layers of wollastonite-sovite, wollastonite bearing pegmatite, scapolite-garnet-calcite bearing aplite and wollastonite monomineralic rock are found. Very fine-grained silica undersaturated microcline-melanite syenite and



lamprophyric shonkinite at peripheral portion of **um** are seen [2, 3, 4]. Small veins of anorthoclase, albitite, syenite porphyries and apatite-magnetite rocks occur as thin veins in **um**. Zircon syenite occurs as a small plug 2 km SW of Samalpatti village. Semi-precious zircon crystal occurs as accessory mineral in the carbonatite of Sevvattur.

Pyroxenite is hard and compact rock. It is amphibolized and biotitized at several places [7]. The shonkinite dyke exhibits panidiomorphic texture. It is a coarse-grained rock and is composed with euhedral minerals. Two generations of olivine, augite, amphibole phlogopite, magnetite and sanidine occur as phenocrysts and matrix. Some brown coloured lamprophyre is composed of euhedral clinopyroxene (0.8-0.5mm) amphibole (0.4x1.2 mm) amidst fine-grained clayey matrix derived by alteration of phlogopite. The latter occurs as diatremes along **um** near Garigaipalli village along railway-line cuttings.

Massive part of dunite and peridotite shows equigranular and sacchoroidal texture and the size of mineral grains around 1mm. Magnesite or lime material is released out along rhombohedral cleavages developed by deformation. At some places along these cleavages large porphyritic pyroxene / amphibole is seen. Porphyritic pyroxenite is composed of large grains of pyroxene or amphibole over 5 cm in fine-grained pyroxenes matrix are seen. Phlogopite of 0.1 to 5mm occurs as accessory mineral along cleavage and joint plane of pyroxenite. Secondary calcitic encrustations are found along these cleavages. The EDAX image shows large pyroxene grain of size varying between 0.1 and 10 mm sequentially altered to amphibole, biotite, and vermiculite to iron oxides are seen. The iron oxide ultimately washed out leaving empty spaces [7] and cavernous structure is developed in **um**. Some cavities are interconnected and some others are not interconnected but filled with vermiculite or iron oxides. The development of such alteration in very coarse-grained **um** is also seen but rare. It exhibits inequigranular texture. It is largely composed of olivine, diopside, hornblende and biotite. The sizes of mineral grains and their mutual relationship may be estimated by using their photomicrographs and EDAX images. Initial development of rhombohedral cleavage is often filled with carbonate material leached out. The released Mg rich and Ca poor carbonate materials are deposited along cleavage planes. Ca is mostly utilized for formation of secondary carbonate, anhydride, apatite

and halides. Fe ions are utilized for Sc, Cr and Y oxides and Fe, Co, Ni, Cu ions for their mineralization in combination with carbonate and sulphide. The magnesia content increases due enrichment of forsterite content in olivine or enstatite content and crystallization of magnetite using ferrous iron in pyroxene in saturated norm. Al<sup>III</sup> enters in tschermakite molecules in pyroxene and amphibole. It concentrates in biotite and vermiculite with release of lime and quartz. The syenites exhibit hypidiomorphic granular texture. Vogesite and shonkinite show panidiomorphic texture with euhedral grains of one or more generations of mafic and felsic minerals.

Wet gravimetric analyses show enrichment of alkalis and volatiles (Table 1). Spot EDAX analyses minerals present **um** are shown in Table 2 and their images are presented in Fig.4. Minerals have plate like intergrowths with intergranular linear rectangular cavities varying between 2 and 10 µm. They are steeply dipping inside overlapping one platelet (8x 1 µm) over another and their thickness are often between < 0.5µm and 5µm. Some platelets are interpenetrating. The platelets orient towards various directions for length of 10µm. Their growth and reaction pattern are seen in some pyroxene grains appears to be magmatic. Minimum size of pyroxene crystal is 2 x 0.5 µm. Notable amount of vacant spaces are present between intergranular boundaries of mineral grains. The shape of these spaces vary square, rectangular and narrow lenticular with depth ranging between 0.5 and 2 µm.

#### 4. GEOCHEMICAL STUDIES

Wet-gravimetric chemical analyses are made for fine-grained dunite, pyroxenite and apatite-magnetite bearing pyroxenite (Table 1; Fig. 4.). The degree of oxidation ratio (Fe<sup>IV</sup> / (Fe<sup>III</sup> + Fe<sup>II</sup> + Mn)) ranges between 0.19 and 0.93 and the mean value is 0.47. Notable amount of normative ilmenite is present. The low degree of oxidation and enrichment of alkalis, formation of magnetite is limited. Considerable amount of potash is present over soda. Mean proportions of olivine and pyroxene is 29.22 and it indicates that -

peridotite being the source rock for pyroxenite. MgO content exceeds over FeO. Normative olivine and feldspar rich pyroxenite yields nepheline. The *um*, enriched with amphibole, biotite, spinel and calcite is silica oversaturated.

EDAX analyses Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> ranges between 31.58% and 53.65%. Mg exceeds over 11 times of Fe. The presence of CO<sub>2</sub>, F, Cl, SO<sub>3</sub> and P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> produce carbonate, fluoride, chloride, phosphate and anhydride using Ca, Mg, Na, K and P ions. K ions exceed over Na ions. Rb ions are present as trace constituents. F ions exceed over Cl ions. Plots of Sr against Rb or Cr against Sc show perfect positive linear correlation. Fe+Co+Ni+Cu ions against (Fe<sup>3+</sup>+Sc+Cr+Y) show similar pattern. Fe<sup>3+</sup> and Al<sup>3+</sup> ions have negative linear correlation. The incompatible elements such as Sc, Ti, V, Cr, Y, Zr, Nb, Mo, La, Hf and Ta are closely related with each others in their electronic configuration and chemical properties. They are usually concentrated at late magmatic stages. Such elements are mobile under high temperature viscous state of *um* at mantle. Significant amount of volatiles such as H<sub>2</sub>O, CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub>, F, Cl, SO<sub>3</sub>, and P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, and liquid CO<sub>2</sub>, are present at higher oxidation fugacity.

Table- 1: Wet-gravimetric analyses various types of pyroxenite

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
SiO <sub>2</sub>	45.82	44.12	21.02	42.26	32.62	62.02	42.38	30.09	38.88	40.95	42.35	46.4	52.4	37.51	13.84	46.77	54.65	38.09	41.21	46.41
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	15.54	9.1	1.64	3.65	12.98	6.22	4.62	9	1.47	0.74	1.37	0.241	12.25	0.21	0.92	3.27	1.021	1.37	1.38	2.59
FeO	1.5	3.44	5.48	10.18	5.11	5.52	6.37	16.09	15.49	10.33	7.54	9.31	2.99	8.46	26.94	3.43	0.85	1.26	0.9	1.64
MgO	1.59	2.56	2.87	8.26	2.4	5.52	5.89	10.72	10.57	1.98	2.87	6.75	3.28	7.42	12.68	0.23	14.2	4.32	1.39	1.9
MnO	0.19	0.06	0.13	0.29	0.11	0.18	0.15	0.79	0.1	0.13	0.19	0.22	0.22	0.15	0.13	0.15	0.18	0.09	0.1	0.1
NiO	1.05	0.47	8.39	8.87	2.22	9.8	10.02	9.91	9	19.08	12.07	8.22	8.21	3.42	14.02	57.77	14.18	14.82	14.46	14.46
CaO	9.42	21.78	31.68	20.18	6.18	22.68	20.08	15.68	17.76	7	15.65	12.42	8.48	2.11	15.42	18.78	21.37	15.52	20	14.9
Na <sub>2</sub> O	5.77	1.18	1.96	0.41	2.08	3.08	0.34	1.87	1.53	0.4	4.59	3.94	3.31	0.31	0.36	0.39	0.44	0.33	0.34	2.35
K <sub>2</sub> O	5.16	1.24	1.44	1.7	11.76	0.18	0.06	0.01	1.88	0.01	6.9	4.26	2.91	0.14	0.9	0.21	0.44	0.28	0.14	0.14
TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.66	0.68	0.45	1.4	1.09	1.26	0.93	0.83	1.74	0.01	0.44	0.64	0.99	0.75	0.02	0.66	0.22	1.86	0.23	0.17
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.11	0.1	0.01	0.71	0.46	0.19	0.1	1.29	1.97	0.02	6.1	0.44	1.53	0.99	0.02	0.82	1.89	0.95	0.74	0.73
CO <sub>2</sub>	4.66	1.12	23.05	0.41	2.34	1.02	0.6	8.93	1.1	20.65	9.75	0.17	0.49	16.6	0.01	0.02	1.89	0.68	0.73	0.73

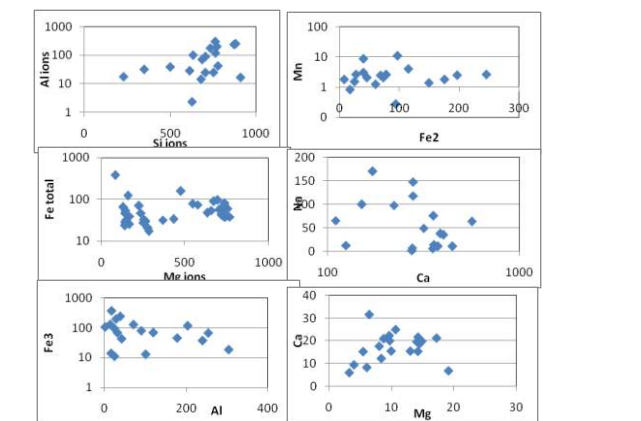


Fig- 4. Plots of ions present in ultramafic (Table1)

Table:2a EDAX spot analyses ultramafic samples from arc shaped exposure

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
SiO <sub>2</sub>	37.86	32.22	42.68	44.92	42.51	42.47	44.52	44.48	38.81	42.22	35.77	38.81	32.16	47.52	45.81	39.30	38.42	32.85	34.71	38.12
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	37.76	14.22	34.42	35.65	35.38	35.47	31.80	31.95	28.81	31.58	33.40	33.10	47.45	47.95	39.30	38.42	32.85	34.71	38.12	47.25
FeO	5.02	27.48	4.63	2.27	2.81	3.34	2.38	2.35	8.80	3.37	4.71	3.85	2.18	1.71	1.81	1.25	1.49	2.05	2.43	2.01
MgO	9.05	3.33	3.11	5.97	6.77	1.60	10.60	10.58	9.35	9.25	5.15	5.79	10.50	5.71	6.71	11.41	11.17	5.62	12.44	10.17
CaO	0.36	0.60	1.49	0.60	0.82	1.20	0.39	0.43	1.52	0.82	1.25	1.36	0.52	0.71	0.54	0.86	0.78	0.81	0.92	0.39
Na <sub>2</sub> O	0.15	0.00	0.18	0.26	0.31	0.08	0.09	0.17	0.23	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
K <sub>2</sub> O	0.24	0.14	0.41	0.00	0.34	0.54	0.17	0.55	1.01	0.64	0.58	0.24	0.33	0.21	0.18	0.24	0.33	0.21	0.33	0.37
TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.24	0.14	0.41	0.00	0.34	0.54	0.17	0.55	1.01	0.64	0.58	0.24	0.33	0.21	0.18	0.24	0.33	0.21	0.33	0.37
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.11	0.08	0.26	0.25	0.32	0.54	0.17	0.55	1.01	0.64	0.58	0.24	0.33	0.21	0.18	0.24	0.33	0.21	0.33	0.37
CO <sub>2</sub>	0.17	2.10	0.28	0.27	0.40	0.34	0.38	0.44	0.66	0.57	0.69	0.51	0.47	0.47	0.47	0.47	0.47	0.47	0.47	0.47
H <sub>2</sub> O	0.00	2.01	0.36	0.37	0.42	0.34	0.41	0.37	0.55	0.54	0.44	0.61	0.11	0.11	0.22	0.25	0.28	0.31	0.22	0.25
Cl	0.00	0.68	0.41	0.21	0.34	0.22	0.25	0.25	0.27	0.47	0.40	0.39	0.11	0.12	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.27	0.27
SO <sub>3</sub>	1.98	9.14	1.38	1.05	1.52	1.40	0.93	0.75	3.82	1.92	1.11	1.85	0.86	0.21	0.40	0.61	0.79	0.77	0.84	0.84
F	2.48	12.15	1.42	1.71	2.31	2.39	1.70	1.43	4.27	2.70	3.80	3.44	0.68	0.87	0.80	0.29	0.68	1.32	0.00	0.70
Cr	2.42	18.09	1.2	1.75	2.14	2.42	1.87	1.31	8.72	3.00	4.45	1.29	0.84	0.82	1.00	0.84	0.82	0.84	0.82	0.84
Zn	0.00	0.00	0.40	0.00	0.22	0.24	0.00	0.11	0.29	0.00	0.00	0.13	0.10	0.40	0.39	0.51	0.40	0.55	0.00	0.32
Y	0.00	0.00	0.17	0.00	0.10	0.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sc	0.26	0.00	0.40	0.00	0.12	0.41	0.21	0.31	0.56	0.61	0.42	0.32	0.13	0.58	0.49	0.21	0.38	0.52	0.78	0.75
Co	0.19	0.00	0.32	0.11	0.14	0.32	0.22	0.28	0.33	0.30	0.31	0.28	0.28	0.31	0.27	0.28	0.28	0.31	0.31	0.31
Ni	1.54	0.00	1.02	1.66	0.98	0.00	3.28	2.09	1.21	1.80	1.22	1.54	0.77	0.83	0.00	2.07	1.64	2.67	1.02	0.87

Table:2b EDAX analyses ultramafic samples from arc shaped exposure

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
cc	1.84	1.54	2.39	3.13	2.56	5.67	8.07	7.89	3.18	4.01	3.19	4	1.38	2.07	4.69	2.17	2.1			
mgf	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11
nh	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44
fe	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13
ni	2.03	15.91	3.67	2.74	1.14	3.39	2.39	2.11	8.87	1.51	4.5	4.97	1.2	1.04	1.26	1.11	1.1	1.57	0.95	0.95
co	0.30	0.29	0.28	0.28	0.28	0.28	0.28	0.28	0.28	0.28	0.28	0.28	0.28	0.28	0.28	0.28	0.28	0.28	0.28	0.28
sc	1.24	0.27	0.83	0.12	0.54	1.1	0.24	0.41	1.18	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44
ti	79.37	7.61	1.67	17.31	14.13	3.79	2.23	2.81	18.11	15.37	23.09	14.11	12.27	9.61	7.36	8.88	8.87	14.2	1.84	4.89
ni	35.71	9.98	13.23	6.79	5.48	10.75	10.82	12.81	4.35	6.6	3.54	12.98	9.63	10.16	10.04	18.82	2.84			
sc	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
SiO <sub>2</sub>	22.57	55.71	58.66	61.22	56.80	53.31	56.89	57.84	58.10	56.12	59.15	61.20	61.88	60.65	58.95	58.94	58.87	57.45	58.17	58.17
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	19.02	4.07	1.36	1.48	1.75	5.42	7.00	7.89	2.89	3.17	6.05	2.11	1.4	0.95	0.94	0.94	0.94	0.94	0.94	0.94
FeO	2.30	4.06	2.73	5.17	2.77	4.41	3.40	11.30	2.99	4.43	3.90	3.87	3.90	3.87	3.90	4.23	5.80	4.95	4.95	4.95
MnO	14.78	28.51	30.93	23.25	30.09	29.00	29.31	19.15	29.15	27.18	29.67	21.99	25.54	26.52	28.88	27.87	29.00	29.72	29.55	29.55
CaO	0.14	0.40	0.24	0.36	0.23	0.32	0.29	0.54	0.30	0.45	0.38	0.42	0.44	0.23	0.35	0.39	0.40	0.34	0.20	0.20
Na <sub>2</sub> O	0.10	0.14	0.26	0.22	0.48	0.39	0.48	0.74	0.44	0.72	0.56	0.68	0.71	0.44	0.75	0.44	0.75	0.44	0.75	0.75
K <sub>2</sub> O	0.13	0.30	0.26	0.48	0.18	0.32	0.37	0.71	0.38	0.30	0.35	0.48	0.42	0.18	0.28	0.22	0.21	0.23	0.07	0.07
TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.30	0.20	0.28																	

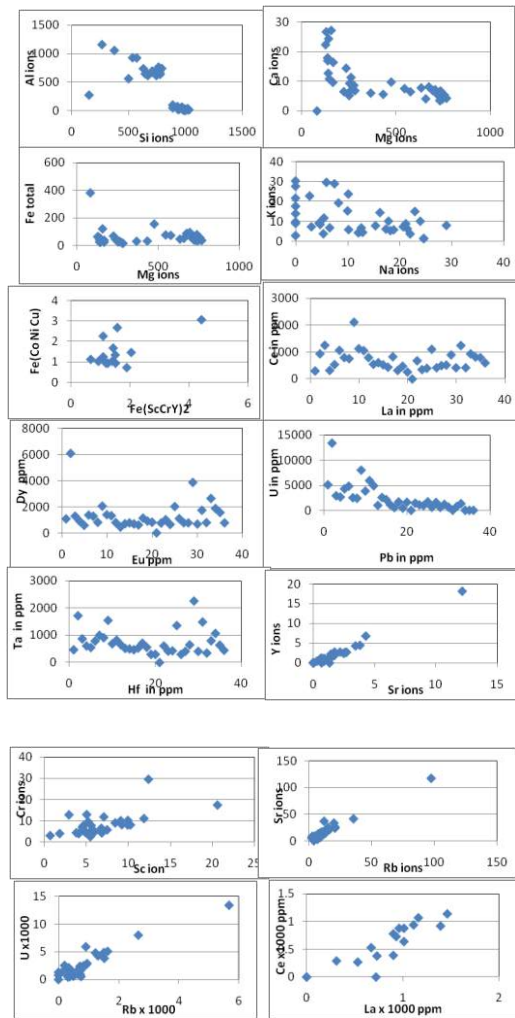


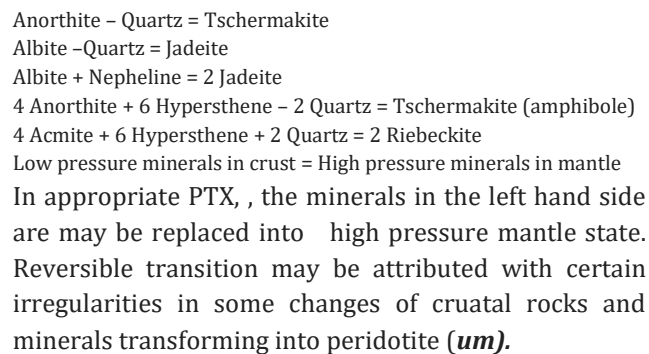
Fig. 5 Plots of EDAX spot analyses (Table-2a &2b)

5. DISCUSSION

Tschermak’s molecule is an important end member in pyroxene group in which Al dominates in M1 and T sites. Al content of pyroxene increases with ensuing silica deficiency, increasing temperature and pressure. Sillimanite content in saturated norm in *um*, is increased volume content of biotite, spinel, cordierite, corundum and garnet at high PT conditions [10]. Plagioclase is found in peridotite / pyroxenite as accessory mineral [11] and has a solid solution between anorthite and albite. At high PT, plagioclase transforms into tschermakite releasing quartz. Highly aluminous *um* develops by break down of anorthite. Pyroxene breaks down into two series of subsolidus differentiation composing two end members of diopside-jadeite and diopside-acmite series in *um* [12]. Thus, *um* might have been produced both alkaline series and calc- alkaline series of rocks by subsolidus differentiation from low velocity zone of the Earth. The

rocks in low velocity zone can be relatively less rigid than upper or lower zones.

Formation of riebeckite in syenite indicates that it is formed under high pressure state. Primary calcite reacts with tschermakite producing alumina rich melilite (gehlenite) which is characteristic mineral component in silica under saturated ultrabasic belonging to carbonatite complex. Melilite bearing xenoliths were reported in some of carbonatite complexes from South Africa [13]. Again, reactions of OH, CO<sub>2</sub>, F, Cl, P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> and SO<sub>3</sub> from volatile phase produce primary melilite / scapolite group of minerals. Gehlinites / meionites are present in alkali syenite exposed adjacent to carbonatite and *um*. Decompositions of phlogopite into vermiculite is seen in some parts of *um*. Nioborutile and hercynite reveal for Al<sup>III</sup> enrichment in these rocks. Al<sup>III</sup> enrichment in *um* takes place in the following reactions under high PTX conditions:



The peridotite / pyroxenite (*um*) from mantle region can be produced all types series of melilite, carbonatite, scapolite, alkaline and granitic rocks. Mantle at low velocity zone is highly heterogeneous. It may be composed of 0.05 to 0.1 per cent volatile content [14]. These rocks are subjected both confined and volatile pressures and these pressures locally vary place to place in three dimensional proportion. Subsidiary phase replacement cationic movement takes rapidly under variation in PTX. Transition of end member of tschermakite molecules from pyroxene into tschermakite amphibole releases quartz at high pressure. Many cases quartz is either released or consumed in the above transitions. The common characteristic minerals found in *um* are biotite, hornblende (tschermakite), spinel, nioborutile, REE minerals calcite, apatite, riebeckite, and apatite. Al<sup>III</sup> enrichment in *um* at mantle region plays critical role for PTX under subsolidus differentiation of mantle to crust.

## 6. CONCLUSION

It appears that most of rocks and minerals that are found on the Earth's crust are derived from mantle source. Tectonic uplift, magmatic emplacement ultramafic xenoliths incorporated in magma or during upward movements from mantle to crust may be caused changes in PTX leading to subsolidus high or low pressure phase transformation. The low PTX might have been one of the causes for crustal evolution from mantle source. Alumina or alkali concentration in *um* in mantle leads to two different trends of subsolidus differentiates at different PTX condition as calc-alkaline and alkaline series. Volatile pressure locally affects as inclusion / bubble in low velocity zone is also played critical role in mineral phase differentiation at mantle. No adequate experiment or field evidence is available to prove that crust is a differentiated product from subsolidus mantle materials.

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