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Petrogenesis of kyanite-quartz segregations in mica schists of the Western Tatra Mountains (Slovakia)

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Abstract. In the Tatra Mountains (Slovakia) metamorphic complex, kyanite-quartz segregations with biotite-rich selvage occur in mylonitized mica schists. In this paper, the problem of fluid flow and aluminium mobility during the uplift of the crystalline massif, and the position of the segregations in the history of Western Tatra metamorphic complex, is addressed. The reaction $\text{Alm} + \text{Rt} \rightarrow \text{Ilm} + \text{Ky} + \text{Qtz}$ is considered to be the result of a pressure drop from above to below 9 kbar. Ti-in-biotite geothermometry shows the temperature range to be 579–639°C that is related to heating and decompression associated with granite intrusion. Major-element mass-balance calculations show that Al remained stable in the selvage + segregation system whereas other elements (e.g. Cr, HFSE) were mobilized. The kyanite-quartz segregations formed from local fluids generated during dehydration of the metapelitic rocks during uplift. The main mechanism was likely diffusion-driven mass-transfer into extension-related cracks.

Key-words: kyanite-quartz segregation, aluminium mobilization, mass-balance, Tatra Mountains

1. Introduction

Kyanite, one of the polymorphic varieties of Al_2SiO_5 , is an excellent marker of medium- to high-pressure metamorphism in metasedimentary rocks. However, specific vein- and lens-shaped segregations of Al_2SiO_5 polymorphs with quartz occur in many places in

metapelitic rocks showing Barrowian metamorphism (Allaz et al. 2005; Ague 2011). Their presence is usually interpreted as due to SiO_2 and Al_2O_3 mobilization and crystallization from channelized fluid exsolved during metamorphism (Ague 2011). Kyanite segregations have also been described from eclogites and interpreted as a result of local segregation phenomena (Widmer, Thompson 2001; Moussallam et al. 2012). These segregations may reflect (a) external fluid infiltration with advection of dissolved material, (b) single-pass or multi-pass infiltration of external fluids recycled by convection, (c) deformation-enhanced addition of advective material from a local fluid and/or (d) diffusion through stagnant fluid steered by a chemical gradient between vein and enclosing rocks (Widmer, Thompson 2001 and references therein).

In the Tatra Mountains metamorphic complex, megacrystic kyanite-quartz segregations occur within the mylonitized mica-schists on the SW-slope of Baranèc Mt. in Slovakia (Pyka et al. 2013a, b). The aim of the current paper is to discuss the problem of fluid flow and aluminium mobility during the uplift of the crystalline massif and the position of the kyanite-quartz segregations in the history of the Western Tatra metamorphic complex.

2. Geological setting and sampling

The Tatra Mountains crystalline basement is one of several core-mountains showing Variscan consolidation among the Mesozoic and Cenozoic sedimentary rocks of the Alpine chain of the Carpathians (Fig. 1a). The predominant part of the Tatra Mountains is formed by a polygenic Variscan granitoid intrusion (Gawęda, Szopa 2011; Burda et al. 2011; Burda et al. 2013). The metamorphic envelope of the intrusion is preserved mostly in the western part of the massif – the Western Tatra Mountains (Fig. 1b) and locally, as xenolithes, inside the granitoid intrusion (Gawęda 2009). In the metamorphic envelope, crystalline nappes were formed as a result of the Variscan collision and metamorphism, and partial melting of the accretionary prism occurred. The nappes are built of rocks of different lithologies (metapelites-metapsammities and metabasalts) and differing metamorphic grade, divided by the local shear zones (Gawęda, Burda 2004; Burda, Gawęda 2009; Moussalam et al. 2012; Deditius 2004). Their presence is linked to the closure of the Rheic Ocean (Gawęda, Golonka 2011).

On Baranièc Mt., two metamorphic nappes (units) bordered by the so called Baranièc overthrust have been defined (Gorek 1956; Gorek 1969; Fig. 1b, 2). The Upper Unit shows the higher metamorphic grade whereas the Lower Unit is characterised by a lower metamorphic grade: together, they define an inverted metamorphic zonation (Kohút, Janak 1994; Moussalam et al. 2012). Similar field relations have been described from the northern part of the metamorphic complex where metamorphic conditions in the Upper Unit estimated at 670-780°C and 7.5-9 kbar, resulted in partial melting and migmatization (Gawęda, Kozłowski 1998; Burda, Gawęda 2009). In the Lower Unit, composed of metapelites (gneisses and mica schists) representing a metaflysch sequence, metamorphic conditions have been estimated at 540-580°C and 5-8 kbar (Gawęda, Kozłowski 1998).

Megacrystic kyanite crystals, from 3 to 12 cm long (Fig. 3a) and showing the typical blue colour, are the main components of lens-like in shape kyanite-quartz segregations < 20 cm thick. The segregations are located in cracks and pressure shadows in the strongly mylonitized mica schists on the south-western slope of Baranèc Mt. (Pyka et al. 2013b).

The segregations were sampled (Ky1 and Ky2) from the slope above Holy Vrch, in the SE part of Baranec Mt. (Fig. 2).

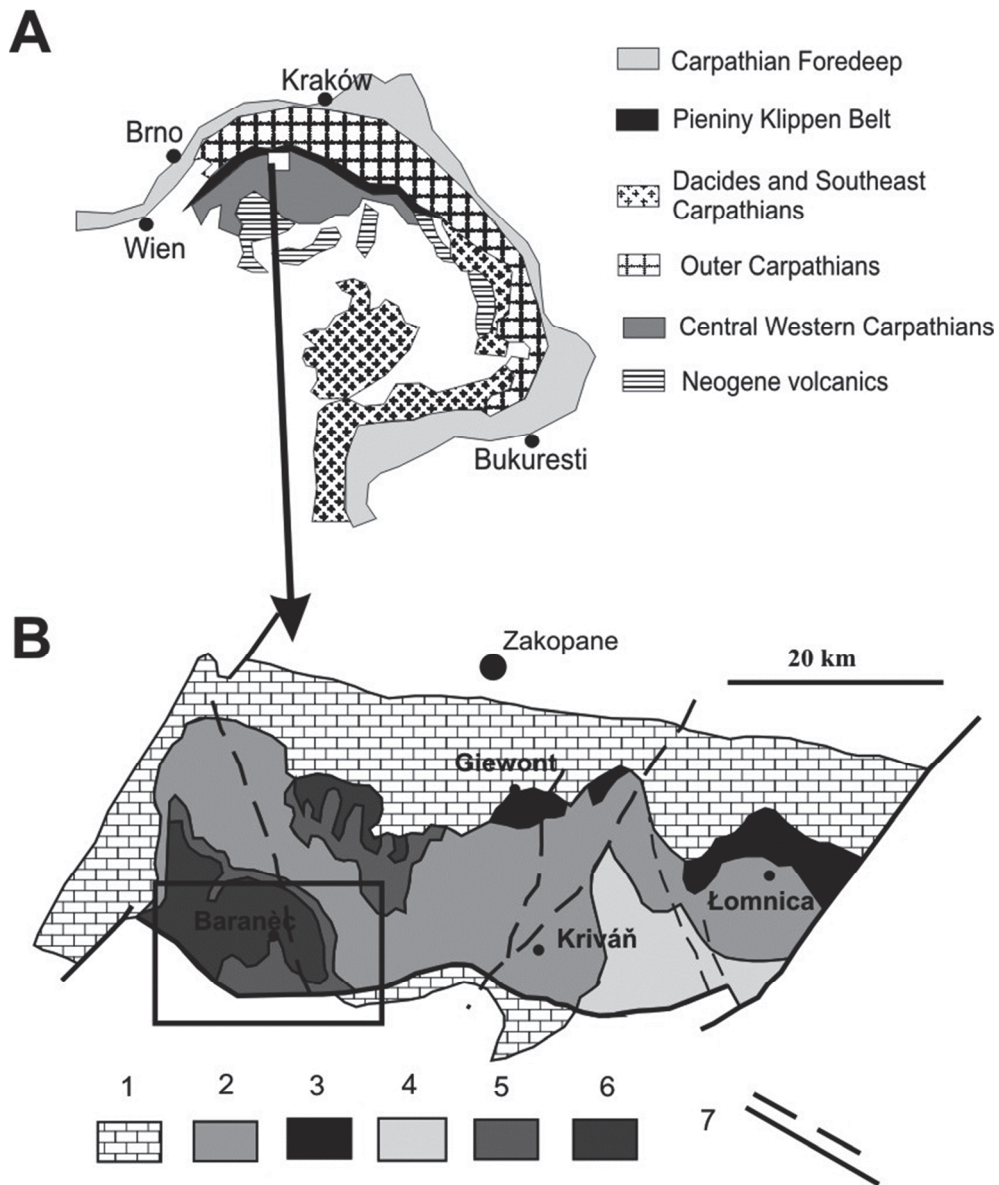


Fig. 1. General geological sketch of the Carpathian Belt (A) and a general geological map of the Tatra Mountains (B) - compilation from Gawęda (2009) and Moussalam et al. (2012).

1- Mesozoic sediments, 2 - common Tatra granite, 3 - Goryczkowa type granite, 4 - High Tatra type granite, 5 - metamorphic rocks of Upper Unit, 6 - metamorphic rocks of Lower Unit, 7- faults identified & assumed.

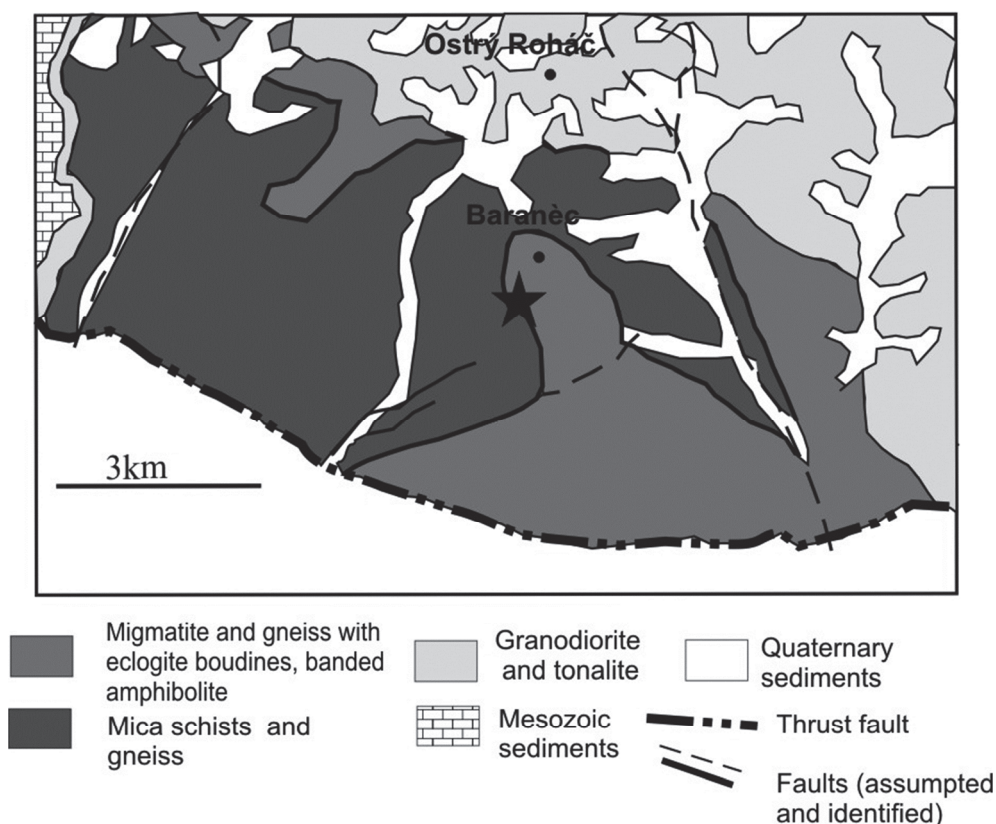


Fig. 2. General geological map of the study area (rectangle on Fig. 1). Star - sampling location. Map after Moussalam et al. (2012).

3. Analytical methods

Microscopic observations using an OLIMPUS BX-51 microscope (Faculty of Earth Sciences, University of Silesia) were followed by cathodoluminescence imaging using a CCL 8200 mk3 apparatus (Cambridge Image Technology Ltd.) mounted on an Optiphot 2 Nikon microscope (Polish Geological Institute, Warsaw). The applied accelerating voltage was 20 kV, the beam current 500 mA and the vacuum 0.5-0.2 Torr.

Electron probe micro analyses (EPMA) of major elements were done in the Inter-Institutional laboratory of Microanalyses of Minerals and Synthetic Substances, Warsaw, using a Cameca SX-100 electron microprobe. The analytical conditions were: acceleration voltage 15 kV, beam current 10 nA, counting time 4 s for peak and background, beam diameter 1-5 μm . Natural- and synthetic standards used were wollastonite for Si and Ca, orthoclase for Al and K, diopside for Mg, rhodonite for Mn and synthetic hematite for Fe. Trace elements were analysed by laser ablation inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometry (LA-ICP-MS) in the Geological Survey of Norway, Trondheim, using a double focusing sector field instrument (model-ELEMENT-1, Finnigan MAT) combined

with a New Wave UP-193 nm excimer laser probe. Continuous raster ablation was carried out using a repetition rate of 10 Hz, a spot size of 50 μm , a laser speed of 10 $\mu\text{m/s}$ and pulse energy of 16.4 mJ. LA-ICP-MS was used for the in-situ determination of Na²³, Mg²⁴, K³⁹, Ca⁴⁴, Ti⁴⁷, V⁵¹, Cr⁵², Mn⁵⁵ and Fe⁵⁶ in the kyanite.

X-ray powder diffraction data of separated kyanite crystals were collected at the Faculty of Earth Sciences, University of Silesia, using a PW3040/60 diffractometer (CoK α 1 radiation, 45 kV, 30 mA, scan range 2.5-65 $^{\circ}$ 2 θ , step size 0.01 $^{\circ}$ 2 θ , scan step time 300 s). Structural data were obtained using XPERT High Score+ software and the standard data base ICDD PDF4+ 2012.

Bulk chemical compositions were analyzed by X-ray fluorescence (XRF; major elements and LILE), in combination with inductively coupled plasma-emission spectrometry and mass spectrometry (ICP-ES and ICP-MS; HFS elements) by ACME Analytical Laboratories, Vancouver, Canada. Preparation involved lithium borate fusion and dilute digestions or hot four-acid digestion for ICP-ES, LiBO₂ fusion for XRF and lithium borate decomposition or aqua regia digestion for ICP-MS. LOI was determined at 1000 $^{\circ}$ C.

4. Results

4.1. Petrography and mineral chemistry

The kyanite-quartz segregations occur in mylonitized micaschists. The schists are composed of quartz, muscovite, biotite, garnet and plagioclase. Foliation is defined by the alignment of muscovite and biotite.

The segregations are composed of kyanite, quartz, fibrolitic sillimanite and muscovite with accessory plagioclase, apatite with inclusions of garnet, biotite and rutile. The segregations are bordered by selvages of biotite, fibrolitic sillimanite, feldspar, relict kyanite, accessory ilmenite, rutile and apatite. Chlorite and muscovite are secondary. Two mineral parageneses can be distinguished: (I) Rt-Grt₁-Ky-Bt₁ and (II) Ilm-Grt₂-Sil-Bt₂(-Ms).

4.1.1. Kyanite-quartz segregations

The main components of the segregations are isomorphic- to sub-idiomorphic bluish kyanite crystals (Fig. 3a) characterized by almost ideal crystal-chemical formulae with only small Fe substitutions (Table 1). The kyanite crystals are replaced by fibrolitic sillimanite that mantles kyanite aggregates (Fig. 3c, 4b). Thin sections reveal the presence of muscovite (Ms₁) replacing the kyanite and sillimanite, both from outer rims and along cleavages (Fig. 3c). Microchemical analyses indicate Tschermak substitution (Al^{IV}Al^{VI} \leftrightarrow Si^{IV}Mg^{VI}) in the muscovite (Ms₁) and Fe and Ti enrichment (0.112-0.442 a.p.f.u. Fe and < 0.102 a.p.f.u. Ti; Table 2). Xenomorphic quartz shows undulose extinction. Accessory plagioclase (oligoclase-albite) is represented by subhedral, normally zoned crystals (Ab₈₆An₁₁Or₃ - Ab₇₈An₂₁Or₁ in cores to Ab₉₉Or₁ - Ab₉₇Or₃ at rims) up to 200 μm in size. Inclusions of apatite-(Ca,F), < 300 μm in size occur in kyanite; in both apatite and host kyanite, inclusions of idiomorphic garnet, biotite and rutile are found (< 10 μm in size; Fig.

4a, 5a, b). Garnet (Grt₁) is almandine-spessartine (Alm₆₃Spes₁₈Py₆Gros₁₀Andr₃ - Alm₆₈Spes₁₆Py₈Gros₅Andr₃; Table 3). Biotite (Bt₁) is characterized by Fe/(Fe + Mg + Mn), i.e. #*fm* in the range of 0.544-0.553 and Ti = 0.215-0.232 a.p.f.u. (Table 4). Rutile inclusions (< 50 μm) are usually idiomorphic (Fig. 5).

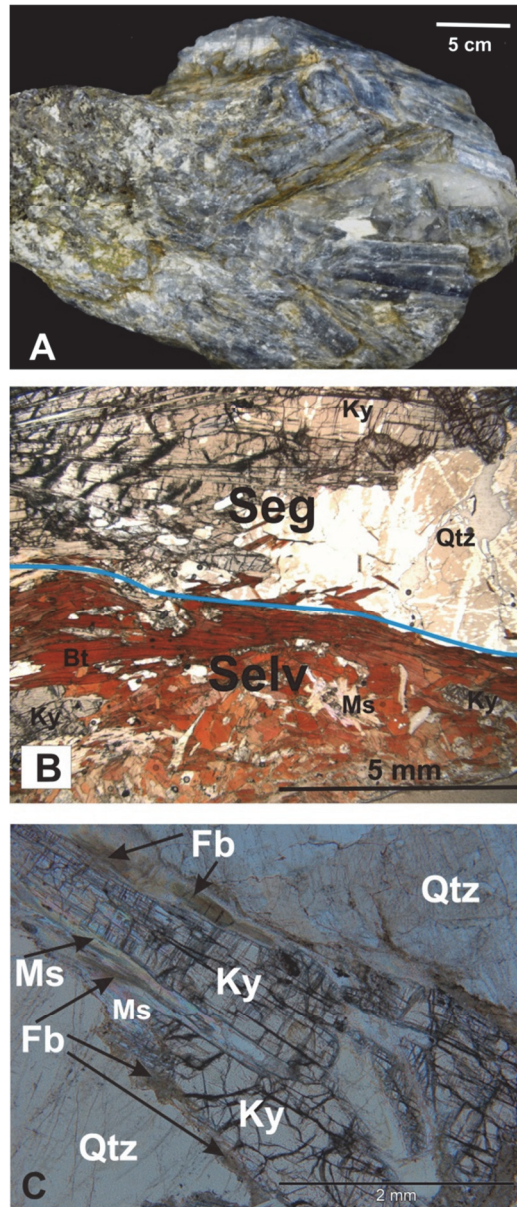


Fig. 3. Microphotographs of kyanite-quartz segregations. A. Kyanite crystals < 12 cm long. B. Kyanite-quartz segregation (Seg) bordered by biotite-rich selvage (Selv). C. Kyanite crystals (Ky) overgrown by muscovite (Ms) and fibrolite (Fb), all wrapped by quartz (Qtz).

TABLE 1

Chemical composition (wt%) and crystal-chemical formulae of kyanite.

Sample	LoD	Ky_1	Ky_2	Ky_3	Ky_4	Ky_5	Ky_6	Ky_7	Ky_8	Ky_9
SiO ₂	0.03	37.24	37.15	37.28	37.01	37.02	37.27	37.35	37.53	37.27
Al ₂ O ₃	0.03	63.34	62.74	62.66	62.58	63.09	63.00	62.88	62.95	62.56
FeO	0.15	-	-	-	0.20	0.21	-	-	-	0.27
Total		100.58	99.89	99.94	99.79	100.32	100.27	100.23	100.48	100.11
crystal-chemical formulae recalculated to 20 O ²⁻										
Si		3.990	4.01	4.017	4.004	3.985	4.007	4.019	4.021	4.020
Al ^{IV}		4.010	3.990	3.983	3.996	4.015	3.993	3.981	3.979	3.980
Al ^{VI}		3.988	3.991	3.973	3.983	3.989	3.991	3.994	3.971	3.973
Fe ²⁺		-	-	-	0.018	0.019	-	-	-	0.024

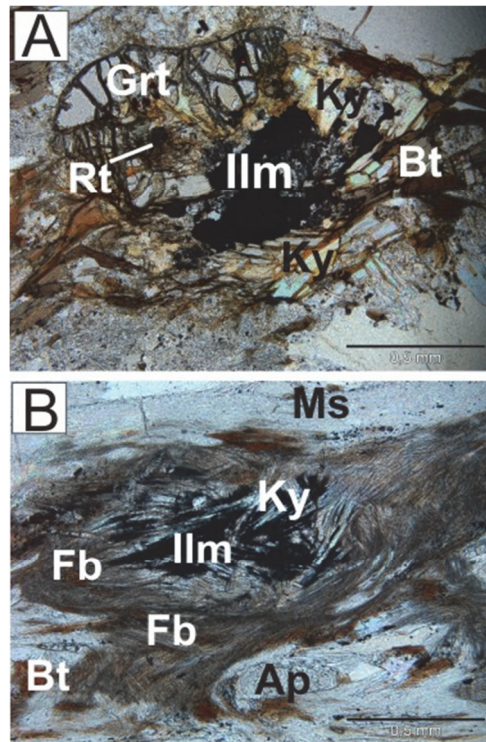


Fig. 4. Microphotographs showing phase relations. A. Kyanite (Ky) and ilmenite (Ilm) growing at the expense of almandine-garnet (Grt) and rutile (Rt). Biotite (Bt) also present. B. Ilmenite (Ilm) and kyanite (Ky) bordered by fibrolite (Fb) and muscovite (Ms). Biotite (Bt) and accessory apatite (Ap) also present.

TABLE 2

Chemical composition (wt%) and crystal-chemical formulae of muscovite Ms₁ in the kyanite-quartz segregations and muscovite Ms₂ in the selvage.

Sample	Muscovite 1					Muscovite 2				
	LoD	Ms1_1	Ms1_2	Ms1_3	Ms1_4	Ms1_5	Ms2_1	Ms2_2	Ms2_3	Ms2_4
SiO ₂	0.03	46.06	46.80	47.72	45.85	46.12	46.73	46.77	47.58	46.77
TiO ₂	0.05	0.35	0.37	0.40	0.33	1.02	-	-	-	-
Al ₂ O ₃	0.03	30.31	31.25	31.10	36.81	36.03	36.84	36.60	35.58	37.17
MgO	0.02	2.94	2.41	2.72	0.59	-	0.40	0.39	0.74	0.37
FeO	0.16	3.86	2.80	2.01	1.11	0.57	0.63	0.46	0.61	0.54
Na ₂ O	0.03	0.08	0.16	0.27	1.19	1.04	1.46	1.27	0.77	1.53
K ₂ O	0.06	10.54	10.67	10.46	9.52	9.87	9.55	9.38	9.78	9.33
H ₂ O _{calc}		4.38	4.43	4.46	4.54	4.55	4.56	4.54	4.55	4.58
Total		98.52	98.87	99.14	99.93	100.08	100.17	99.40	99.62	100.29
crystal-chemical formulae recalculated to 22 O ²⁻										
Si		6.305	6.339	6.412	6.06	6.086	6.148	6.178	6.272	6.128
Ti		0.036	0.037	0.04	0.033	0.102	-	-	-	-
Al ^{IV}		1.695	1.661	1.588	1.94	1.914	1.852	1.822	1.728	1.872
Al ^{VI}		3.195	3.327	3.336	3.794	3.689	3.859	3.876	3.800	3.869
Mg		0.600	0.486	0.545	0.116	-	0.078	0.077	0.146	0.073
Fe		0.442	0.317	0.226	0.122	0.112	0.069	0.051	0.068	0.059
Na		0.022	0.041	0.07	0.306	0.265	0.372	0.326	0.196	0.389
K		1.841	1.844	1.792	1.604	1.661	1.603	1.581	1.645	1.560

4.1.2. Selvages

Selvages bordering the kyanite-quartz segregations (Fig. 3b) are composed of biotite (Bt₂: #*fm* = 0.506-0.551; Ti = 0.192-0.272 a.p.f.u.; Table 4), plagioclase and fibrolitic sillimanite, and porphyroblasts of almandine garnet (Grt₂: Alm₇₄Spes₅Py₇Gros₁₄ - Alm₇₄Spes₇Py₁₅Gros₃; Table 3). Locally, kyanite crystals, < 0.5 mm in length, are associated with ilmenite that is partially replaced by sillimanite and muscovite (Fig. 4a, b).

Accessories are represented by K-feldspar (Or₇₆Ab₂₄ - Or₉₇Ab₃), ilmenite with Mn substitution in the range of 0.30-0.33 a.p.f.u (Table 5), (Ca,F)-apatite with < 0.23wt% Y₂O₃ and < 0.24wt% MnO, and rutile.

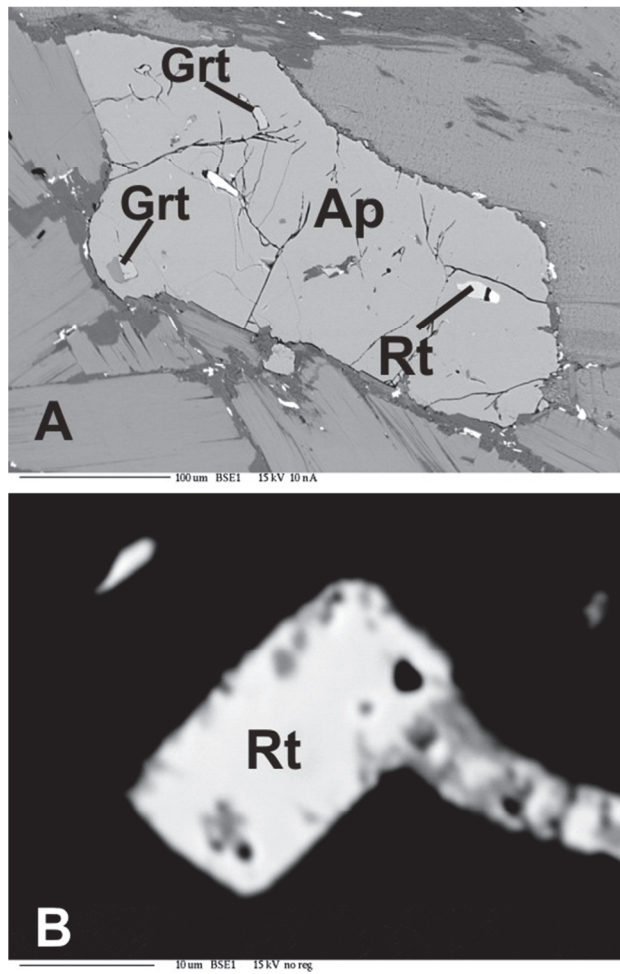


Fig. 5. A. Apatite (Ap) with garnet (Grt) and rutile (Rt) inclusions. B. Rutile crystal. (BSE images).

Secondary muscovite (Ms_2) replacing the Al_2SiO_5 polymorphs (Fig. 3c, 4b) shows a simple chemical composition (Table 2). Secondary chlorite replacing biotite along cleavage planes is (Mg, Fe)-chlorite from the groups of ripidolite, picnochlorite and diabantine ($\#fm = 0.485-0.785$).

TABLE 3

Chemical composition (wt%) and crystal-chemical formulae of garnet Grt₁ from apatite inclusions and Grt₂ present as porphyroblasts in the selvage.

* Analyses used for geothermometry. Values of Fe³⁺ and Fe²⁺ are result of microprobe analyses.

Sample	Grt1		Grt2							
	LoD	*Grt1_1	*Grt1_2	Grt2_1	Grt2_2	Grt2_3	Grt2_4	Grt2_5	Grt2_6	Grt2_7
SiO ₂	0.01	35.71	36.53	37.48	37.57	37.18	37.71	37.50	37.40	37.66
Al ₂ O ₃	0.01	19.46	19.59	21.24	21.19	21.32	21.28	21.30	21.62	21.81
Fe ₂ O ₃	0.07	1.64	1.60	-	0.08	-	-	0.04	-	-
FeO	0.07	28.59	30.83	33.21	32.86	33.33	32.37	33.19	33.56	33.71
CaO	0.02	3.53	1.70	4.91	5.12	5.02	5.04	4.98	1.16	1.12
MnO	0.07	8.28	7.11	2.05	2.04	1.89	1.98	2.00	3.73	2.91
MgO	0.01	1.50	1.97	1.91	2.06	2.17	2.02	2.13	3.15	3.91
Total		98.71	99.33	100.79	101.00	100.94	100.49	101.17	100.61	101.11
Formulae recalculated to 24 O ²⁻										
Si		5.920	6.000	5.989	5.987	5.942	6.021	5.971	5.963	5.975
Al		3.800	3.790	4.001	3.98	4.014	4.004	3.997	4.069	4.071
Fe ³⁺		0.200	0.200	-	0.009	-	-	0.005	-	-
Fe ²⁺		3.970	4.230	4.438	4.379	4.455	4.322	4.42	4.464	4.484
Ca		0.630	0.300	0.841	0.874	0.86	0.861	0.85	0.189	0.199
Mn		1.160	1.000	0.277	0.275	0.256	0.267	0.27	0.39	0.504
Mg		0.370	0.480	0.456	0.49	0.517	0.48	0.505	0.924	0.751
X _{py}		0.058	0.077	0.074	0.082	0.086	0.080	0.084	0.154	0.125
X _{alm}		0.627	0.681	0.738	0.728	0.741	0.719	0.735	0.743	0.746
X _{spes}		0.183	0.161	0.046	0.046	0.042	0.044	0.045	0.065	0.084
X _{gross}		0.099	0.048	0.140	0.145	0.143	0.143	0.141	0.031	0.033
X _{adr}		0.032	0.032	0	0.001	0	0	0.001	0	0
T[°C] _{FS}		432.1	492.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
T[°C] _{IM}		506.6	529.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

LoD - limits of detection. X_{py} = Mg/(Ca + Mn + Mg + Fe); X_{alm} = Fe²⁺/(Ca + Mn + Mg + Fe); X_{spes} = Mn/(Ca + Mn + Mg + Fe); X_{gross} = Ca/(Ca + Mn + Mg + Fe); X_{adr} = Fe³⁺/(Ca + Mn + Mg + Fe); T[°C]_{FS}- temperatures estimate by using Ferry and Spear geothermometer; T[°C]_{IM}- temperatures estimate by using Indares and Martignole (1985) geothermometer

TABLE 4

Chemical composition (wt%) and crystal-chemical formulae of biotite inclusions in the segregation (Bt₁) and from the selvage (Bt₂) with temperatures computed according to the Ti-in-Bt geothermometer of Henry et al. (2005). * Analyses used for geothermometry.

Sample	LoD	Biotite 1		Biotite 2						
		*Bt1_1	*Bt1_2	Bt2_1	Bt2_2	Bt2_3	Bt2_4	Bt2_5	Bt2_6	Bt2_7
SiO ₂	0.03	34.68	35.09	35.24	36.05	35.20	35.53	35.62	36.27	36.39
TiO ₂	0.06	2.01	1.88	2.38	2.01	2.06	2.11	1.98	1.70	1.78
Al ₂ O ₃	0.02	19.91	20.20	19.24	18.90	18.89	19.15	19.11	21.70	21.72
FeO	0.16	19.53	19.30	20.16	18.76	19.68	19.46	19.94	16.65	16.35
MnO	0.17	0.22	0.19	-	-	0.19	0.22	-	-	-
MgO	0.03	9.30	8.84	9.23	9.67	9.66	9.73	9.73	8.70	8.94
Na ₂ O	0.05	0.12	0.14	0.19	0.18	0.18	0.21	0.17	0.23	0.16
K ₂ O	0.03	8.96	8.89	9.06	8.95	8.90	8.97	9.08	9.19	9.35
H ₂ O		3.92	3.93	3.95	3.95	3.92	3.96	3.96	4.00	4.01
Total		98.71	98.61	99.44	98.46	98.70	99.32	99.60	98.44	98.70
crystal-chemical formulae recalculated to 22 O ²⁻										
Si		5.304	5.356	5.353	5.476	5.379	5.382	5.39	5.441	5.441
Ti		0.232	0.215	0.272	0.229	0.237	0.24	0.225	0.192	0.201
Al ^{IV}		2.696	2.644	2.647	2.524	2.621	2.618	2.61	2.559	2.559
Al ^{VI}		0.893	0.991	0.798	0.861	0.782	0.8	0.798	1.278	1.268
Fe ²⁺		2.498	2.464	2.562	2.383	2.515	2.465	2.524	2.089	2.045
Mn		0.029	0.024	-	-	0.025	0.028	-	-	-
Mg		2.120	2.011	2.09	2.191	2.201	2.198	2.194	1.946	1.993
Na		0.037	0.042	0.055	0.052	0.053	0.06	0.051	0.068	0.045
K		1.748	1.731	1.756	1.735	1.735	1.734	1.753	1.758	1.784
<i>fm</i>		0.544	0.553	0.551	0.523	0.536	0.531	0.536	0.518	0.506
X _{Mg}		0.367	0.352	0.365	0.385	0.382	0.383	0.381	0.353	0.362
X _{Fe}		0.433	0.432	0.448	0.419	0.437	0.430	0.439	0.379	0.371
X _{Ti}		0.040	0.038	0.047	0.040	0.041	0.042	0.039	0.035	0.036
T[°C]				638.8	613.5	617.3	620.6	607.0	578.8	591.3

$fm = (Fe^{2+} + Mn)/(Fe^{2+} + Mn + Mg)$; $X_{Mg} = Mg/(Ti + Mn + Mg + Fe^{2+} + Al^{VI})$; $X_{Fe} = Fe^{2+}/(Ti + Mn + Mg + Fe^{2+} + Al^{VI})$; $X_{Ti} = Ti/(Ti + Mn + Mg + Fe^{2+} + Al^{VI})$; LoD - limits of detection.

TABLE 5

Chemical composition (wt%) and crystal-chemical formulae of ilmenite.

Sample	LoD	Ilm_1	Ilm_2	Ilm_3	Ilm_4	Ilm_5	Ilm_6
TiO ₂	0.03	53.89	54.30	54.07	53.49	56.36	54.30
FeO	0.07	38.09	37.44	38.71	38.35	33.64	34.01
MnO	0.07	7.59	7.14	7.02	7.74	7.18	8.74
Total		99.57	98.88	99.80	99.58	97.46	97.89
crystal-chemical formulae recalculated to 6 O ²⁻							
Ti		2.03	2.06	2.04	2.02	2.128	2.057
Fe		1.6	1.58	1.62	1.61	1.412	1.433
Mn		0.32	0.3	0.3	0.33	0.305	0.373

LoD - limits of detection.

4.1.3. Phase relations and geothermometry

The assemblage rutile + almandine garnet occurs as inclusions in apatite (Fig. 5a) and kyanite. In the host metapelites, kyanite and ilmenite growing at the expense of garnet and rutile are observed (Fig. 4a) while, in the selvage, complete pseudomorphs after garnet + rutile are evident (Fig. 4b). In the kyanite-quartz segregations, rutile and garnet are

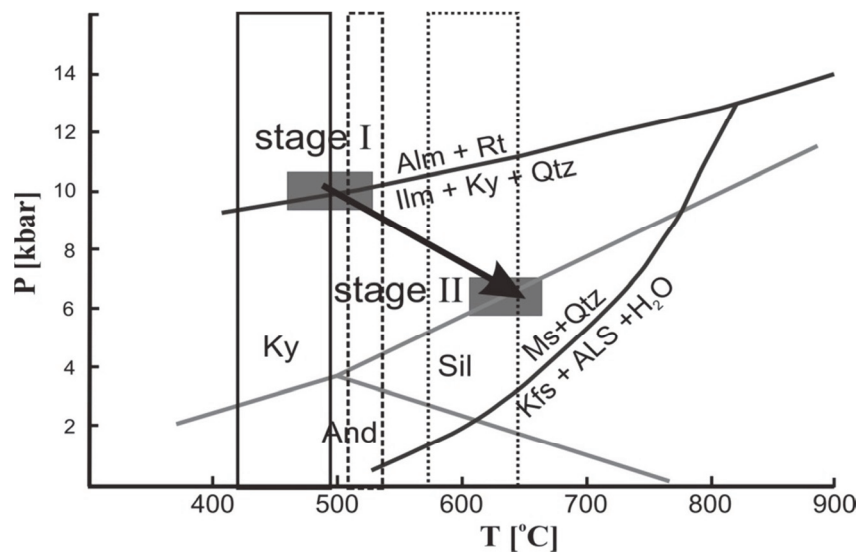


Fig. 6. P-T path of the kyanite-quartz segregation formation: solid line – Grt-Bt geothermometry by Ferry and Spear (1978), dashed line – Grt-Bt geothermometry by Indares and Martignole (1985), dotted line - Ti-in-Bt geothermometry by Henry et al. (2005). Stage I (higher pressure (above 9 kbar) – formation of the kyanite-quartz segregations; Stage II (pressure dropped to 5-4 kbars and shifted to higher temperatures) – connected with uplift and granitoid intrusion.

preserved only as inclusions in apatite and in kyanite. Garnet Grt₁ and biotite Bt₁ inclusions are in chemical balance and were used to estimate the temperature (Table 3 and 4). The method of Ferry and Spear (1978) gives temperatures in the range 432-492°C whereas the calibration by Indares and Martignole (1985) yields temperatures in the range 507-530°C (Fig. 6). The first method was used to provide better comparison with the classical localities in the Alps (Allaz et al. 2005). The second incorporates adjustment for the higher Mn contents in garnet and for Ti and Al^{VI} in biotite.

The kyanite-quartz segregations are bordered by biotite selvages. The fact that the biotite (Bt₂) in them is enriched in Ti enables use of the geothermometric calibration based on the Ti content in biotite proposed by Henry et al. (2005). The temperatures yielded lie in the range 579-639°C (Table 4, Fig. 6). The chlorite growing locally at the expense of biotite is evidence of retrogression. The Cathelineau and Nieva (1985) and Ruggieri (2010) calibrations provide temperature estimates of 300-400°C and 280-320°C, respectively, for the chloritisation.

Muscovite overgrowths and submicroscopic muscovite crystals occur along cleavage plains and cracks in kyanite. Fibrolitic sillimanite (Fig. 3c, 4b) and K-feldspar are seen to have replaced that muscovite according to the reaction $Ms + Qtz \rightarrow Sil + Kfs + H_2O$.

4.2. Trace elements and kyanite luminescence

Trace elements influence kyanite color and cause luminescence. Usually, the luminescence color depends on the presence of Ti, Fe, and Cr (Müller et al. 2011). Ti, Fe, Cr and Mn ions usually substitute for Al in structurally different positions. V may replace Al if it is in a higher oxidation state (V⁵⁺; Gaft et al. 2012; Neiva 1984).

Twenty four analysis revealed the presence of the following trace elements in the kyanite: ²³Na, ²⁴Mg, ³⁹K, ⁴⁴Ca, ⁴⁷Ti, ⁵¹V, ⁵²Cr, ⁵⁵Mn, ⁵⁶Fe (Table 6). The mineral contains significant amounts of Fe, Cr, Ti and V. Mn and Ti are positively correlated ($r^2 = 0.857$). A strong positive correlation of Fe and Ti is seen where Ti content is low (< 90 ppm; $r^2 = 0.821$). Iron is also positively correlated with Cr ($r^2 = 0.724$) and V ($r^2 = 0.864$). V substitution in the Al position is possible only for V⁵⁺; its ionic radius (59 Å) most closely compares with that of Al³⁺ (Pearson, Shaw 1960). Both Cr and V substitutions cause the pinkish-violet-blue luminescence of the analysed kyanite (Fig. 7).

4.3. Whole-rock chemical composition

For this study, the kyanite-quartz segregation (Seg), selvage (Selv) and mylonitised host-rock (garnet-bearing gneiss) were analysed for major and trace elements. Silica content in the kyanite-quartz segregation and in the surrounding gneiss is high whereas that of aluminium is moderate (Table 7). In the selvage, the aluminium content is the highest,



Fig. 7. Cathodoluminescence image of kyanite crystal.

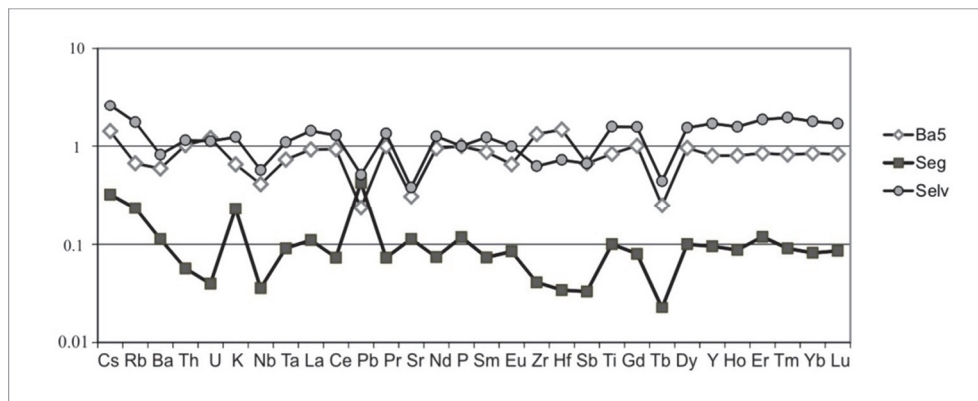


Fig. 8. Trace-element spider diagrams for gneiss (Ba5), kyanite-quartz segregation (Seg) and selvage (Selv). Normalized to continental upper crust (Taylor, Mc Lennan 1981)

due to the abundant presence of Al-rich biotite, almandine garnet, fibrolite, kyanite remnants and secondary muscovite (Fig. 4). The high iron content in the selvage reflects the concentrations of biotite ($\#fm = 0.506-0.551$; Table 4) and almandine garnet (Table 3).

HFSE elements are more concentrated in the selvage than in the gneiss (Fig. 8) whereas, excepting Cr, they are impoverished in the kyanite-quartz segregations (Table 7; Fig. 8). Chondrite (C1)-normalized rare-earth element (REE) patterns for the selvage, in their similar ranges of REE fractionations and their Eu anomalies (Fig. 9), mirror those of the gneiss. The kyanite segregation has the lowest REE content and a REE fractionation pattern similar to that of the gneiss, except for a nearly absent Eu anomaly ($\text{Eu}/\text{Eu}^* = 0.95$; Fig. 9).

TABLE 6

Trace elements in kyanite (in ppm).

	Na	Mg	K	Ca	Ti	V	Cr	Mn	Fe
LoD	14.3	0.9	8.3	1.7	1.2	0.01	0.01	0.1	1.1
Ky1	58.2	114.2	74.9	158.2	95.8	100.9	107.0	5.1	1290.6
Ky2	-	87.1	59.2	112.7	90.1	106.1	98.8	2.2	1334.2
Ky3	-	79.6	71.4	112.6	100.5	99.1	117.9	5.1	1432.5
Ky4	-	103.8	85.1	96.1	104.1	100.2	110.3	7.5	1510.6
Ky5	-	81.4	-	24.7	16.3	83.9	80.3	0.0	998.0
Ky6	73.9	84.5	149.1	300.6	17.4	100.0	87.9	1.3	1061.0
Ky7	91.1	117.8	206.4	138.7	56.8	119.8	98.4	2.3	1653.2
Ky8	93.6	104.3	216.0	132.1	26.2	99.6	114.6	1.5	1170.0
Ky9	50.3	104.7	460.1	232.8	37.5	129.1	87.4	4.1	1490.9
Ky10	61.2	90.0	169.6	84.4	41.4	110.4	125.7	1.5	1363.5
Ky11	30.1	80.9	174.9	108.4	26.1	106.8	97.0	3.8	1184.9
Ky12	43.2	77.8	20.3	-	23.3	94.3	139.9	0.0	1095.0
Ky13	35.4	89.1	22.5	-	46.9	125.7	123.3	1.5	1228.1
Ky14	-	93.3	35.9	-	32.3	96.6	95.9	1.4	1082.4
Ky15	139.6	83.1	233.9	124.6	32.0	102.2	128.3	2.4	1119.0
Ky16	34.0	63.2	88.8	113.3	28.4	95.9	114.2	1.0	984.3
Ky17	-	138.3	20.1	4.5	48.0	146.4	121.0	1.8	1591.3
Ky18	-	124.9	26.4	47.4	56.9	157.6	151.9	1.1	1590.1
Ky19	-	129.1	41.6	17.2	58.9	134.0	121.0	0.8	1427.6
Ky20	136.2	141.4	310.4	361.6	64.6	135.2	145.2	4.4	1692.9
Ky21	-	131.5	-	66.1	86.8	135.3	109.6	1.9	1477.3
Ky22	-	104.5	-	45.8	105.7	113.5	95.1	1.5	1219.2
Ky23	75.7	115.9	132.4	185.5	66.9	160.2	158.2	2.8	1645.1
Ky24	22.2	190.5	149.1	73.7	64.4	154.3	163.4	3.2	1691.9

LoD - limits of detection.

TABLE 7

Major- and trace-elements composition of kyanite-quartz segregation (Seg), selvage (Selv) and garnet-bearing gneiss (Ba5). Oxides in wt%, trace elements in ppm.

Sample	LoD	Ba5	Seg	Selv
SiO ₂	0.01	77.6	87.2	54.9
TiO ₂	0.01	0.50	0.06	0.94
Al ₂ O ₃	0.01	11.19	9.69	23.22
Fe ₂ O ₃	0.04	2.96	0.82	8.45
MnO	0.01	0.03	0.01	0.08
MgO	0.01	1.12	0.22	3.58
CaO	0.01	0.51	0.11	0.64
Na ₂ O	0.01	1.83	0.26	0.98
K ₂ O	0.01	2.16	0.76	4.06
P ₂ O ₅	0.01	0.17	0.02	0.17
LOI	0.01	2.00	0.80	2.70
Total		100.03	99.99	99.72
Sr	0.5	102.90	37.70	127.00
Ba	0.1	415.00	79.00	573.00
Rb	0.1	73.70	25.70	191.50
Th	0.2	10.70	0.60	12.00
U	0.1	3.00	0.10	2.80
Zn	0.1	33.00	15.00	89.00
Pb	0.1	3.50	6.30	7.60
Ga	0.5	12.60	5.80	27.00
Cr	20	95.80	130.00	116.30
V	8.0	49.00	28.00	138.00
Zr	0.1	316.00	9.90	150.20
Hf	0.1	8.50	0.20	4.20
Y	0.1	17.60	2.10	37.10
La	0.1	27.70	3.30	42.70
Ce	0.1	55.70	4.40	76.90
Pr	0.02	6.67	0.49	8.98
Nd	0.3	25.60	2.00	33.80
Sm	0.05	4.61	0.39	6.48
Eu	0.02	0.85	0.11	1.29
Gd	0.05	4.02	0.32	6.22
Tb	0.01	0.55	0.05	0.97
Dy	0.05	3.64	0.38	5.81
Ho	0.02	0.64	0.07	1.25
Er	0.03	1.78	0.25	3.89
Tm	0.01	0.27	0.03	0.64
Yb	0.05	1.86	0.18	3.90
Lu	0.01	0.29	0.03	0.59

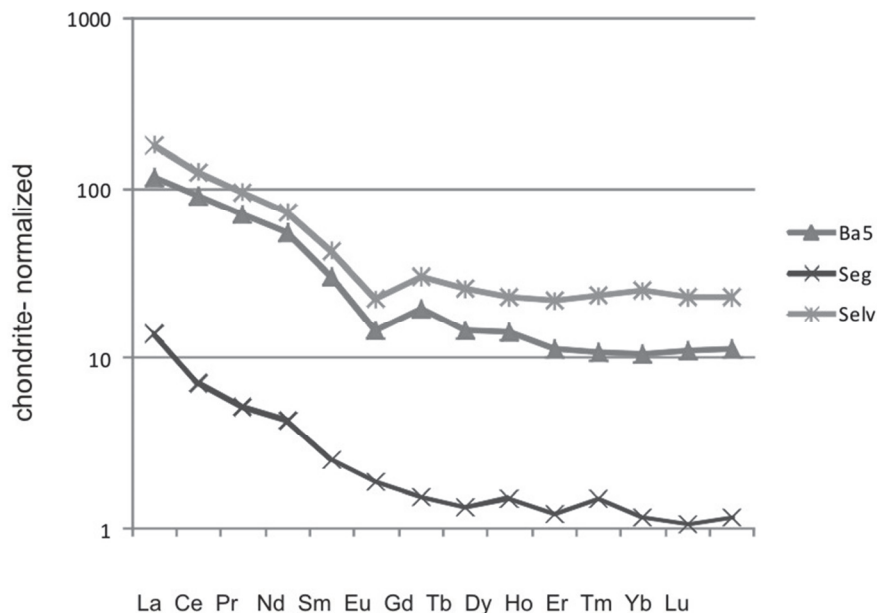


Fig. 9. Chondrite-normalized REE patterns for gneiss (Ba5), kyanite-quartz segregation (Seg) and selvage (Selv) (Sun, McDonough 1989).

5. Discussion

5.1. Phase relations and decompression conditions

The rutile + almandine assemblage occurring as inclusions and replaced by kyanite + ilmenite + quartz has been deemed to be the result of a pressure drop from > 9 kbar. The lack of andalusite indicates a pressure above 4 kbar (Pyka et al. 2013a, b; Spear 1993; Yardley 1989). This is in agreement with the earlier P-T reconstructions for the rocks of the area. Janák et al. (1996, 2001) estimated metamorphic conditions in the Upper Unit at 670-700°C and 10-15 kbar with marked decompression at 4-5 kbar. Moussalam et al. (2012) documented a decompression path from 16 to 8 kbars and a post-intrusive cooling rate of ~ 30°C/Ma. These results are also consistent with the decompression history from 9-7.5 kbar documented for the northern part of the metamorphic complex (Burda, Gawęda 1999; Burda, Gawęda 2009).

The temperature range computed based on the garnet-biotite geothermometry (432-492°C and 507-530°C; Fig. 6) is similar to that obtained by Allaz et al. (2005) for similar kyanite-quartz veins in the Central Alps and by Whitney (2002) for kyanite-andalusite-sillimanite-quartz segregations in the metapelitic Sivrihisar Formation in Turkey. Temperatures of 579-639°C computed from Ti content in low-to-medium pressure metapelitic biotites (Fig. 6) by Henry et al. (2005) are close to those obtained by Janák et al. (1996, 2001) from the Tatras. However, it is worth noting that the composition of biotite in

metapelites may be quite easily reset by heat from, e.g. a granite intrusion (Lavaure, Sawyer 2011) as is the case in the Tatra Mountains metamorphic rocks (Gawęda 2009). Thus, the Ti-biotite temperatures reported here might be alternatively interpreted as reflecting cooling after decompression and re-heating (Gawęda 2009).

The temperatures of biotite chloritization, estimated using the Cathelineau and Nieva (1985) and Ruggieri (2010) calibrations as 300-400°C and 280-320°C, respectively, are similar (within cumulative errors) to those obtained from the granitoid (Gawęda, Włodyka 2012), and represent the retrogression path for the metapelitic rocks of Baranèc Mt.

5.2. Formation of kyanite-quartz segregations

Two-step major-element mass-balance calculations were performed. In the first step, the percentages of minerals participating in the segregations were established by modal analysis (Table 8a). Predominant quartz (79%) is accompanied by kyanite (8%), muscovite (12%) and plagioclase (1%). That composition was used for the next step of modelling to assess the mobility of major elements, following the method used for mass balance calculations (e.g. Olsen 1984; Burda, Gawęda 1997). As the measured proportion of biotite-rich selvage in relation to the whole segregation volume was about 11%, the volume proportion (11:89) was used as a default. The resulting mass-balance calculations (Table 8b) reveal that the Al content was almost stable in the selvage + segregation system whereas the other elements were mobilized. SiO₂ mobility was especially remarkable (83%) as is reflected in the predominance of quartz in the segregation (Tables 7, 8b). Thus, SiO₂, together with other mobile elements such as Fe, Na and K are responsible for the

TABLE 8a

Modal composition of the kyanite-quartz segregation compared to computed composition based on major-element chemistry for segregation (S_N), surrounding rocks (Ba5) and selvage (Selv); S_C - chemistry of the calculated segregations; balance (B) = S_C - S_N.

	Ky	Qtz	Bt	Ms	Pl	Ba5	S _N	Selv	S _C	B	B ²
SiO ₂	37.21	100	35.62	46.7	63.54	79.1	87.95	56.6	88.22	-0.3	0.071
TiO ₂			1.98	0.1	0	0.51	0.06	0.97	0.012	0.05	0.002
Al ₂ O ₃	62.63		19.11	36.84	22.9	11.41	9.77	23.93	9.660	0.1	0.012
Fe ₂ O ₃	0.16		19.94	0.62	0	3.02	0.83	8.71	0.087	0.7	0.552
MnO			0.11		0	0.03	0.01	0.08	0	0.0	0.000
MgO			9.73	0.4	0	1.14	0.22	3.69	0.048	0.2	0.029
CaO			0		4.22	0.52	0.11	0.66	0.042	0.1	0.005
Na ₂ O			0.17	1.46	9.25	1.87	0.26	1.01	0.268	0.0	0.000
K ₂ O			9.08	9.55	0.11	2.20	0.77	4.18	1.147	-0.4	0.142
P ₂ O ₅			0		0	0.17	0.02	0.18	0	0.0	0.000
Total	100.0	100.0	99.7	100.1	100.0	99.99	100.0	100.0	99.48		0.814
MSWD											0.902

TABLE 8b

Mass balance calculation assuming volume proportion of selvage (Selv) to the segregation (S_N) is 11:89; all values are in wt%.

	%Selv	%S	Sum	Ba5	Balance	B ²
SiO ₂	6.2249	78.2755	84.5004	79.1	5.4	28.949
TiO ₂	0.1067	0.0534	0.1601	0.51	-0.3	0.122
Al ₂ O ₃	2.6323	8.6953	11.3276	11.41	-0.082	0.007
Fe ₂ O ₃	0.9581	0.7387	1.6968	3.02	-1.3	1.751
MnO	0.0088	0.0089	0.0177	0.03	0.0	0.000
MgO	0.4059	0.1958	0.6017	1.14	-0.5	0.290
CaO	0.0726	0.0979	0.1705	0.52	-0.3	0.122
Na ₂ O	0.1111	0.2314	0.3425	1.87	-1.5	2.333
K ₂ O	0.4598	0.6853	1.1451	2.20	-1.1	1.113
P ₂ O ₅	0.0198	0.0178	0.0376	0.17	-0.1	0.017
						34.704
MSWD				5.891		
MSWD = $\sqrt{\sum B^2}$ (according to York 1969; Burda, Gawęda 1997)						

relatively high $\sqrt{\text{MSWD}}$ value (5.89; Table 8b), implying that the analysed chemical system was open. However, all elements showing high degrees of change (Si, Fe, Na, K) are generally considered as quite easy to mobilize during metamorphism. Cr³⁺ shows similar behaviour to Fe³⁺ and V⁵⁺ suggesting that all three migrated together, resulting in the kyanite luminescence (Fig. 7). That could be interpreted as a result of high oxygen fugacity at the segregation-forming stage enabling the incorporation of Cr³⁺ and V⁵⁺ into the kyanite structure. The aluminium remains stable, suggesting that the diffusion, and the associated mass transfer, was limited. As it was mentioned in paragraph 4.3, the kyanite-quartz segregations have the lowest (ten times lower) REE content (Fig. 8, 9). It is caused by the fact that kyanite and quartz do not accumulate REE.

The observations mentioned above and in paragraph 5.1 favour a HP origin for veins, as proposed elsewhere by Widmer and Thompson (2001). The dissolution, transport and re-precipitation of mineral phases (in small fissures growing in response to local pressure gradients) caused local mass transfer due to the migration of fluid released by mineral dehydration. We conclude that the kyanite-quartz segregations were formed in a similar way, with mobilization of fluids during decompression of the Tatra Massif, playing the most important role in the process (stage I in Fig. 6).

After the kyanite-quartz segregations formed, the growth of sillimanite and biotite recrystallization was promoted by heat from the granitoid intrusion (stage II in Fig. 6). Fluids circulating during post-orogenic cooling caused the secondary alterations, i.e. the growth of secondary muscovite and chlorite.

6. Conclusions

1. Kyanite-quartz segregations in metapelites in the Tatra Mountains were formed as a result of the activity of fluids of local origin, characterized by high oxygen fugacity and generated during dehydration of the metapelitic rocks during uplift. The main mechanism was likely diffusion-driven mass-transfer to extension-related cracks and fissures.
2. Heating and further decompression during Variscan granitoid intrusion led to the formation of sillimanite at 579-639°C as the pressure dropped to 5-4 kbars. The further cooling path was concordant with the general trend for the entire Tatra Massif.

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