

Additional Petrographic Services Additional Petrographic Services

Photomicrography, Optical Microscopy, XRD, XRF, & SEM-EDS

Photomicrographs of Your Thin or Polished Sections:

\$12/per set per sample

For an additional \$10, you can request photomicrographs of your thin or polished sections in a CD, taken by using high-resolution, latest-model, state-of-the-art digital cameras attached to research-grade petrographic microscopes. At least three sets of plane and cross polarized-light photomicrographs will be provided per sample, with scale bars, depicting the detailed mineralogy, grain and pore size distribution, and texture of the rock.

Petrographic Examinations

Optical Microscopical examinations of thin sections in plane and cross polarized lights, and polished sections in reflected-light, XRD, XRF, etc. to determine detailed mineralogy, estimated modal (volume) proportions of different minerals, texture and microstructure, alteration, classification, and type of rock. Each report will include at least one set of photomicrographs per sample taken in plane and cross polarized-light modes with a high-resolution digital camera attached to a research-grade petrographic microscope. Price does not include the cost for sample preparation.

Optical Microscopy:

\$300 per sample

XRD (Qualitative):

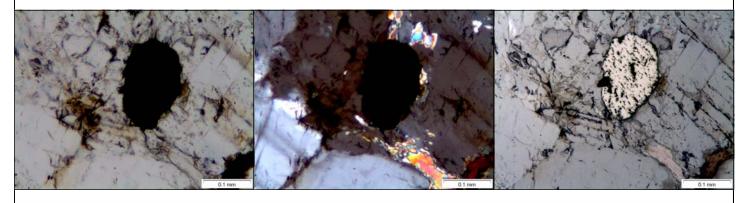
\$300 per sample

XRF (SiO_2 , Al_2O_3 , CaO, MgO, Na_2O , K_2O , Fe_2O_3 , TiO_2 , P_2O_5 , SO_3):

\$150 per sample

SEM-EDS:

\$500 per hour



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Sample Report Page Showing what is included in Petrographic Examination

Sample ID: "Your Sample ID Here"

Rock: Mica-Quartz Schist

Dense, hard, dark gray, coarse-grained metamorphic rock Appearance:

Examined By: Hand specimen

Thin Section (< 30 µm thick, 27 mm × 46 mm) for Microscopy;

Pulverized Powder (<45 µm size) for XRD and XRF

Mineralogy: Major Minerals - Quartz

Subordinate Minerals – Plagioclase Feldspar (Albite), Mica (Muscovite, Biotite)

Minor Accessory Minerals - Zircon, Apatite

Minerals from Alteration – Sericite (from plagioclase feldspar), Chlorite (from biotite)

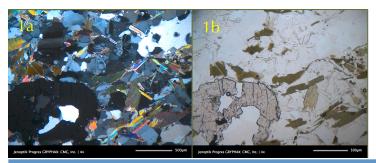
Texture: Schistose texture defined by parallel arrangements of quartz-feldspar grains and mica flakes

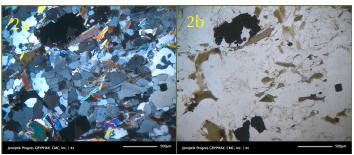
Alterations: Sericitic alteration of plagioclase feldspar and chloritic alteration of biotite mica

Photomicrographs: 1a, 1b - Crossed and plane polarized light views of garnet porphyroblast at bottom left corner, rest quartz,

feldspar, muscovite and biotite mica, green chlorite alteration of pleochroic biotite flakes

2a, 2b - Crossed and plane polarized light views of dark opaque grains in mica-quartz schist





Chemical Composition from X-Ray Fluorescence Spectroscopy (XRF)

SiO ₂	Al_2O_3	CaO	MgO	Na ₂ O	K_2O	Fe_2O_3	TiO ₂	P_2O_5	SO_3	Balance
64.0	13.7	1.34	2.03	1.4	3.56	5.69	0.722	0.164	ND	7.86

Mineralogical Composition from X-Ray Diffraction (XRD) & Microscopy

Quartz	Albite	Muscovite	Biotite	Chlorite	Garnet	Opaque	Accessories (Zircon, Apatite)
48.9	17.8	12.2	21.0	<1	<1	<1	<1

