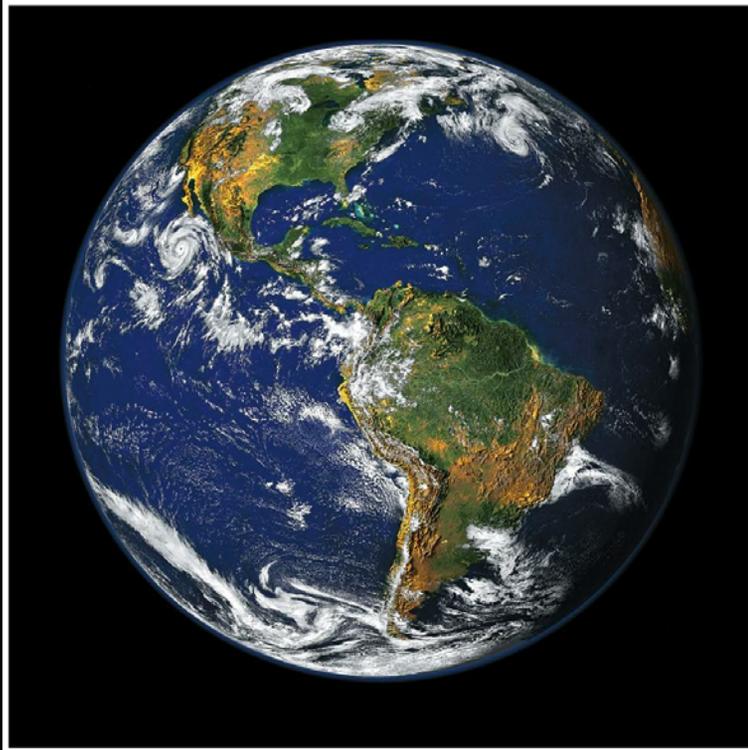


METAMORPHISM



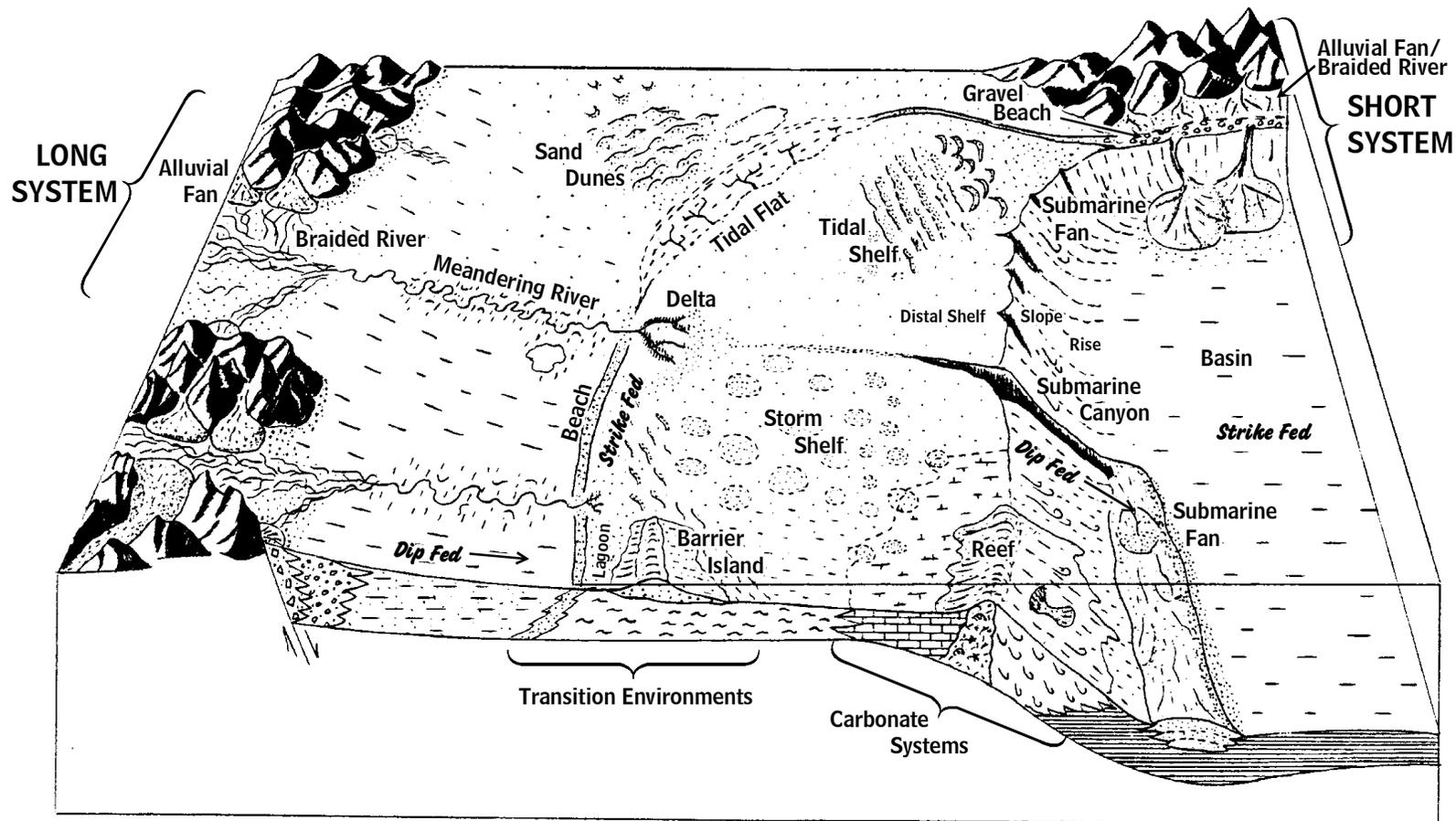
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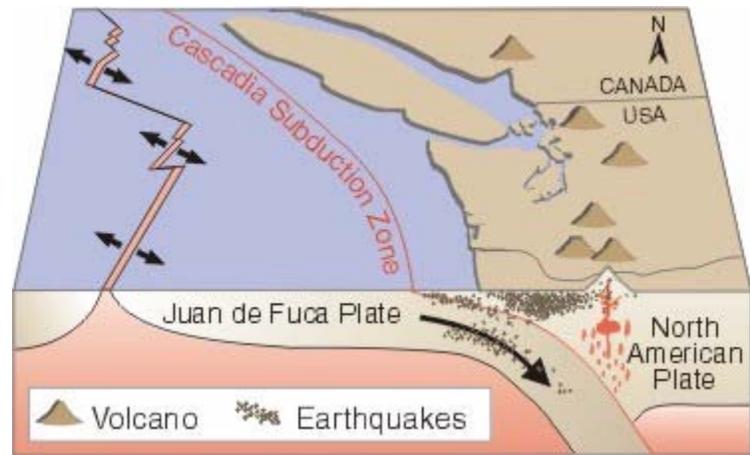
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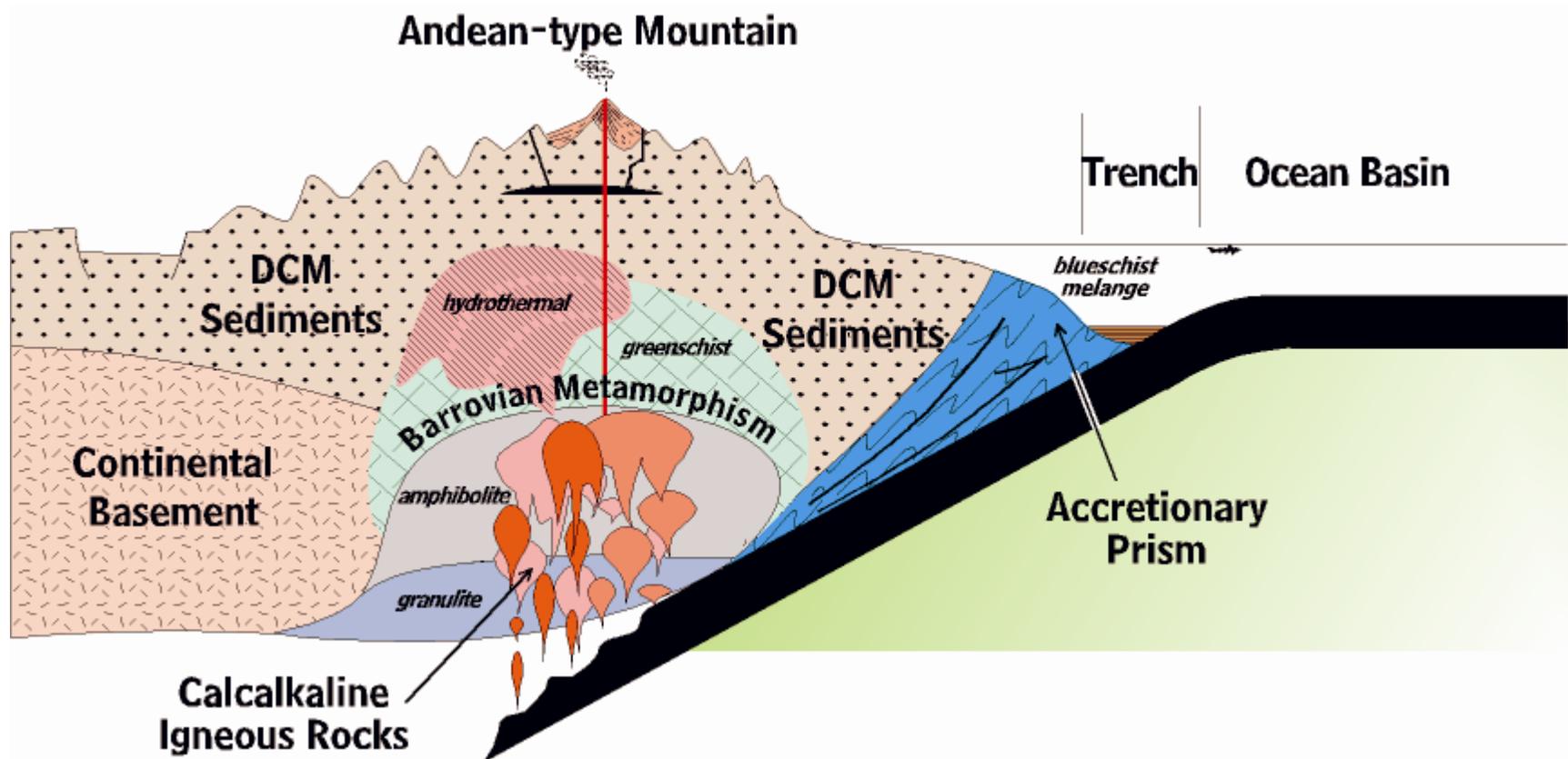
From sedimentary processes that take place at the Earth's surface . . . To metamorphic processes that take place below the surface.

Minerals and Rocks are stable only under the conditions at which they form.





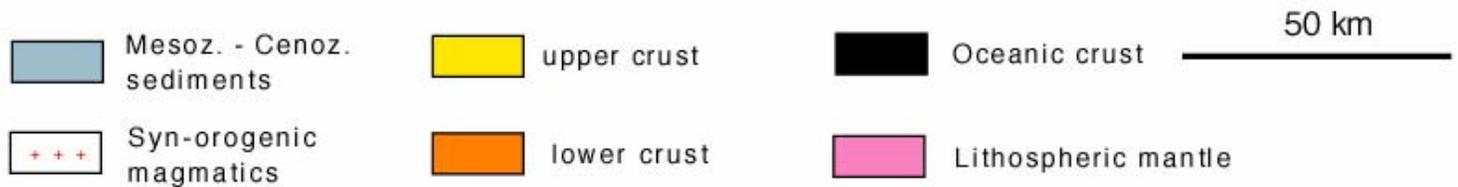
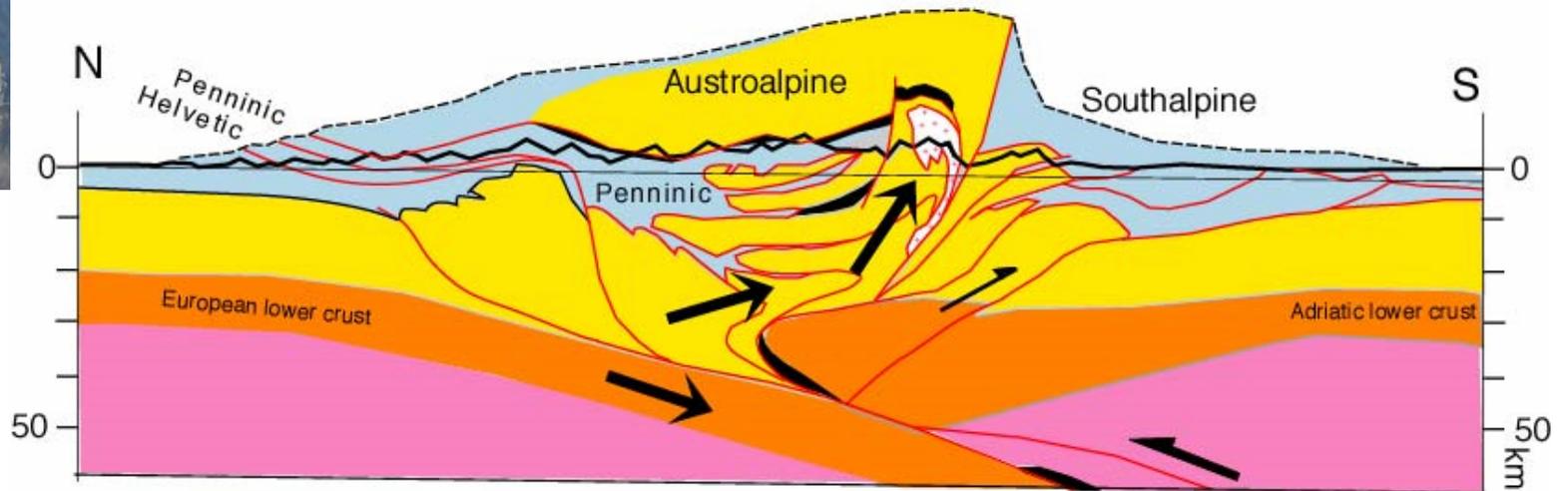




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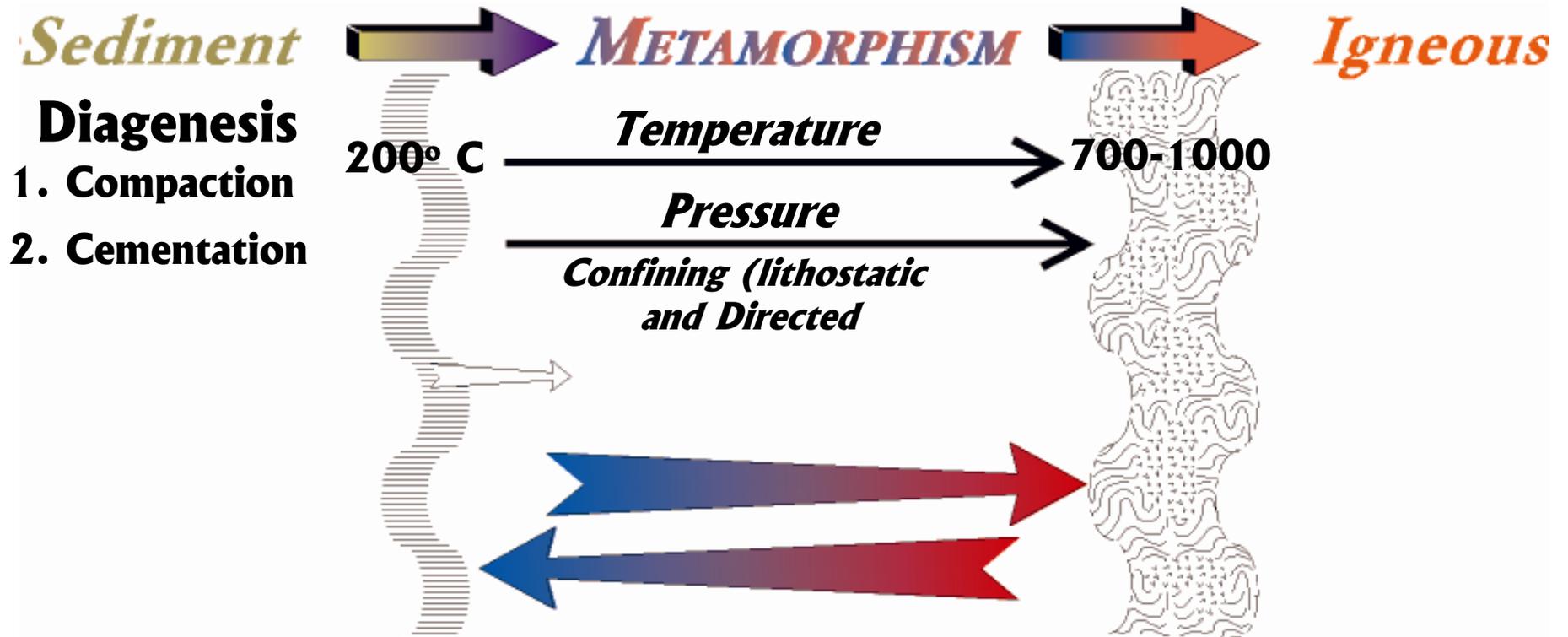
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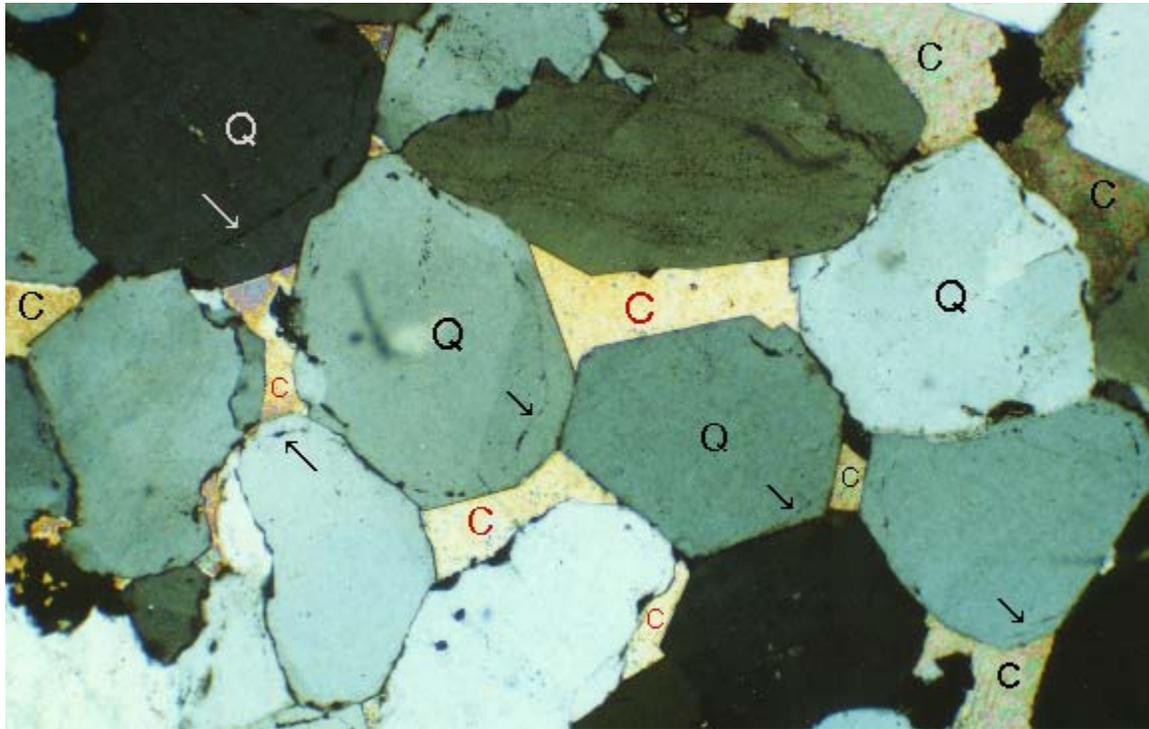
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- Heat
- Pressure
- Chemically active fluids

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Calcite cemented sandstone (specifically, a quartz arenite)

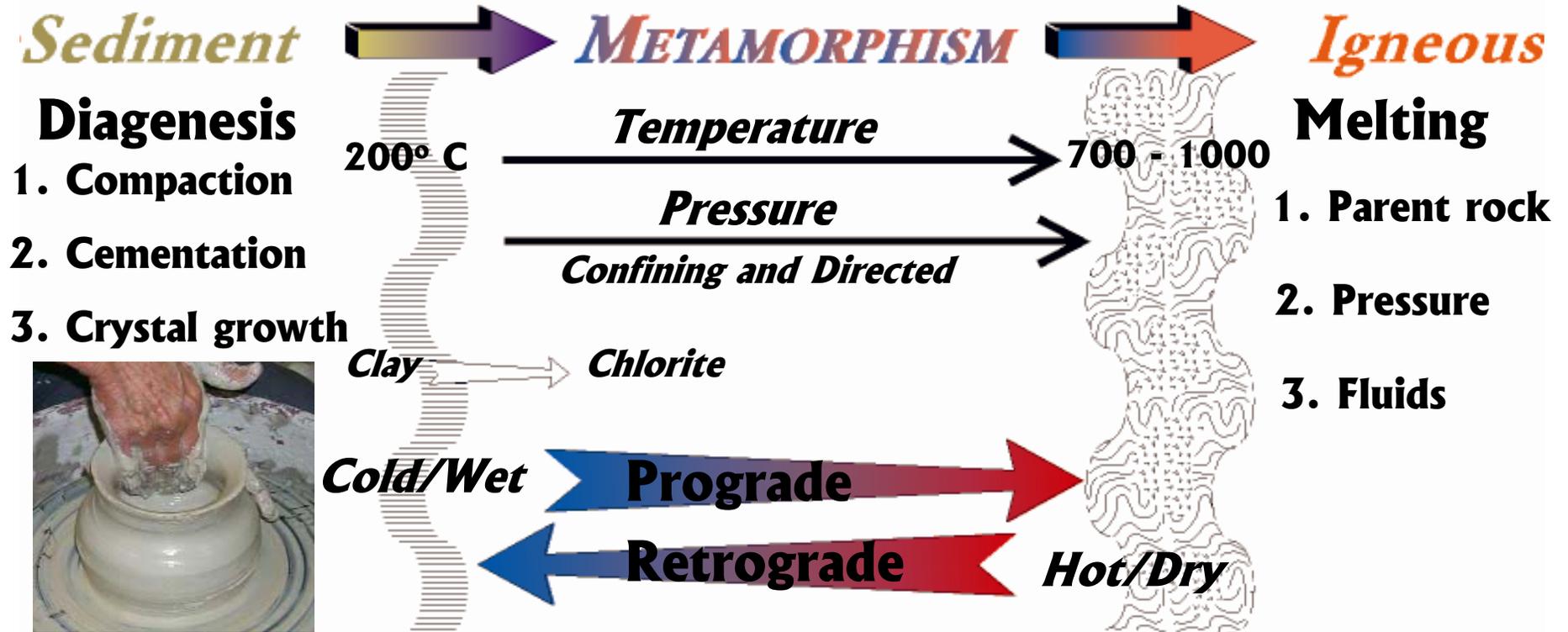


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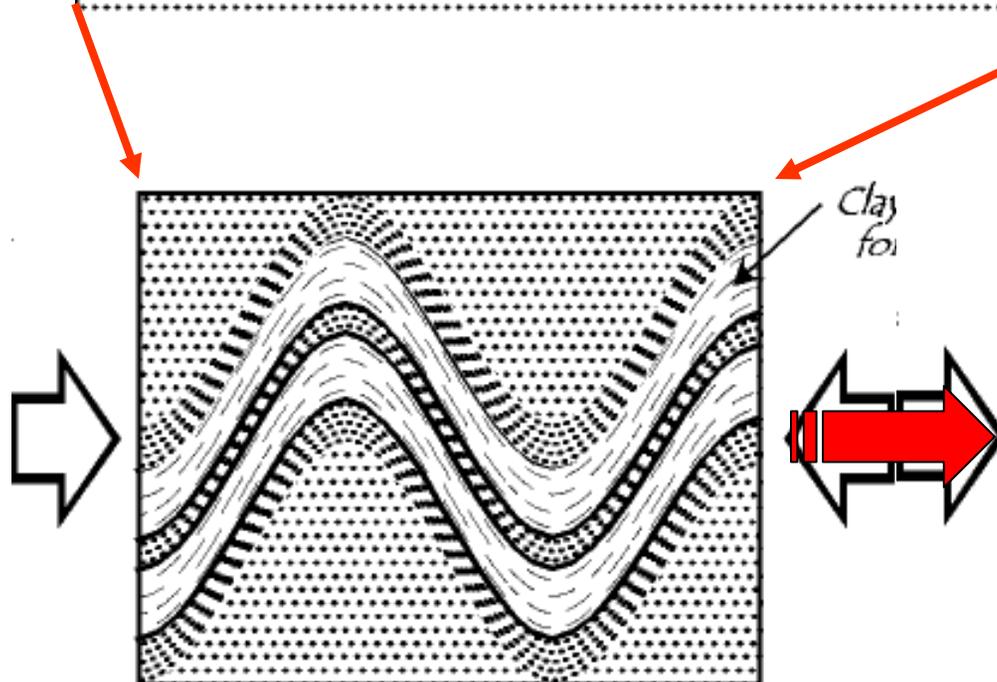


TEXTURAL RESPONSES TO CHANGES IN METAMORPHIC TEMPERATURE AND PRESSURE

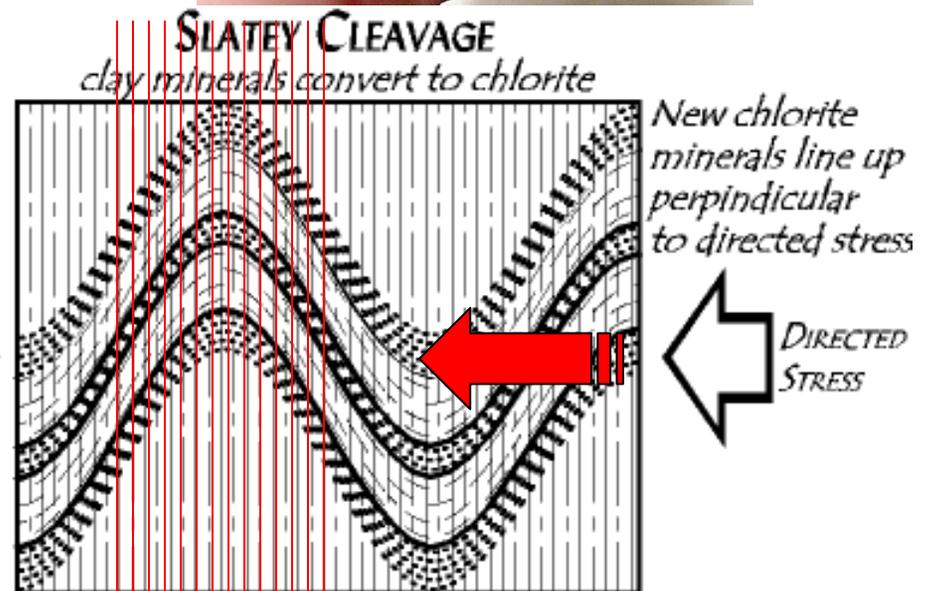
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SEDIMENTARY TEXTURES

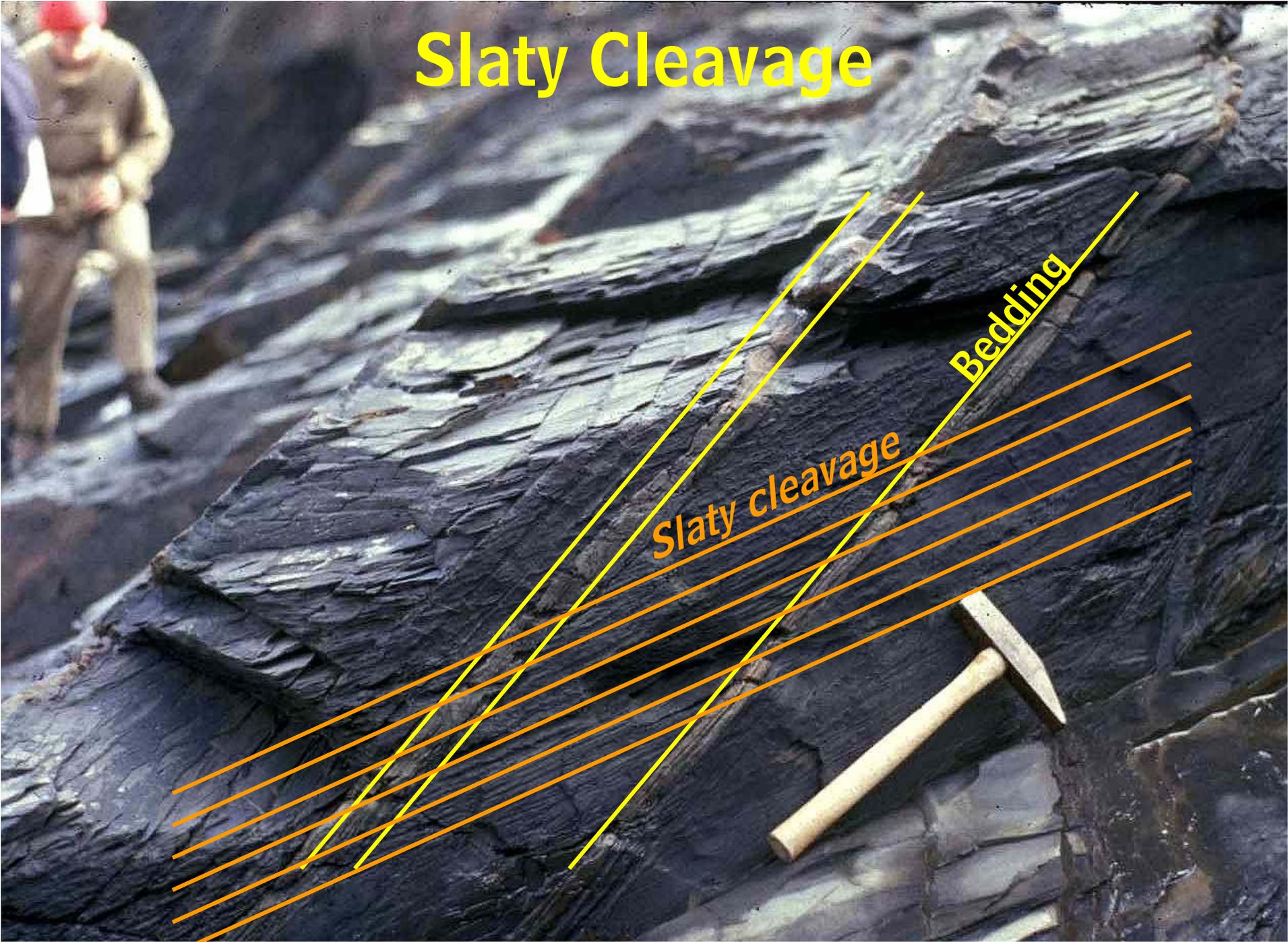


Sedimentary layers have just undergone folding



Now the slaty cleavage has developed as the clay in the shale has transformed into the mica mineral chlorite

Slaty Cleavage



Bedding

Slaty cleavage

Slaty Cleavage



Ductile Deformation



Chevron folds, Barnhardt Canyon, Arizona

Ductile Deformation



Ductile Deformation



Ductile Deformation



Ductile Deformation



Photo: Camilla Stark

FIVE KINDS OF METAMORPHISM

**The trouble with
metamorphism is . . .**

**Any kind of rock, igneous,
sedimentary, or metamorphic . . .**

**Can undergo any kind of
metamorphism . . .**

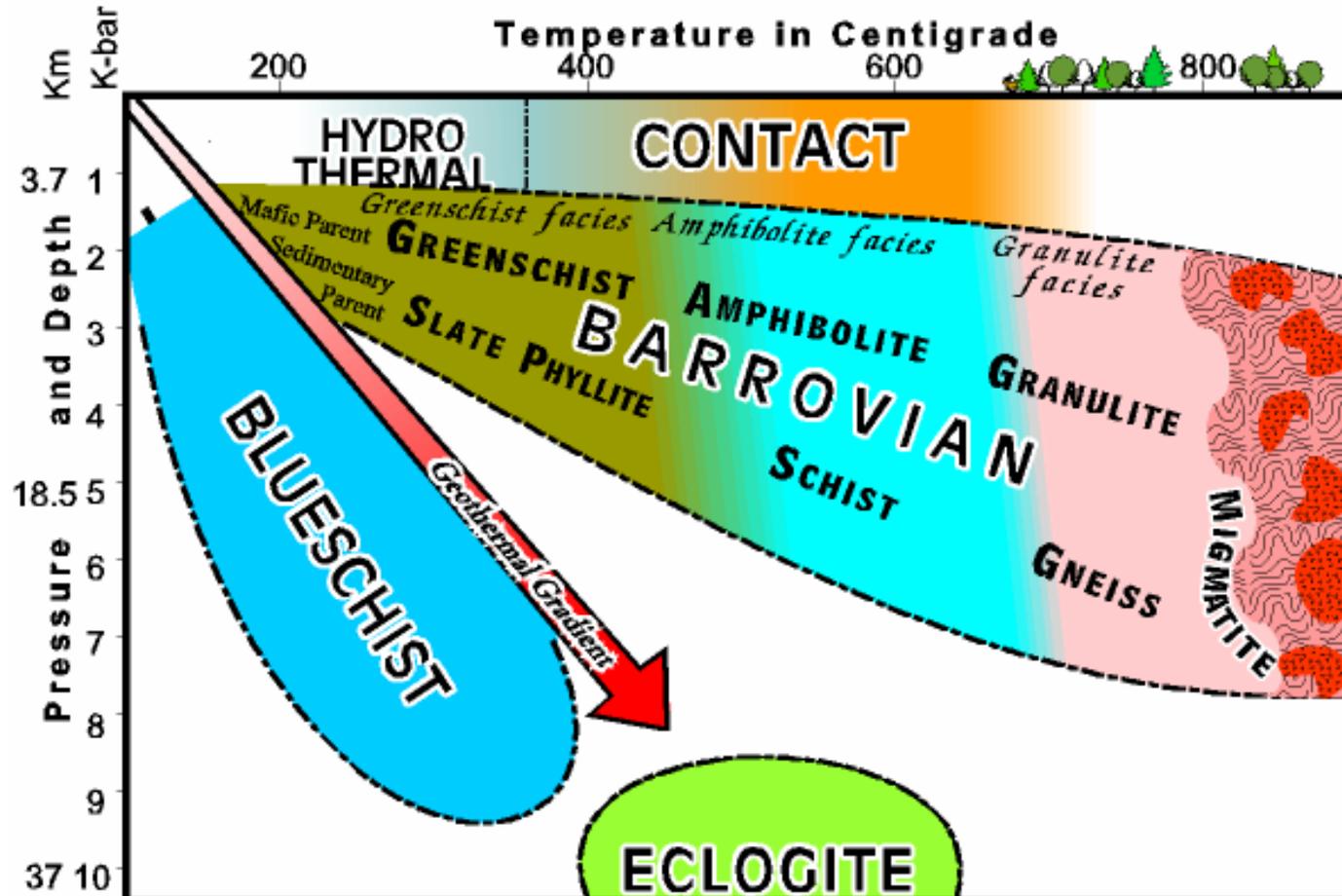
**Producing every conceivable
combination and permutation.**

Metamorphic Rocks are Very Complex

Five Kinds of Metamorphism

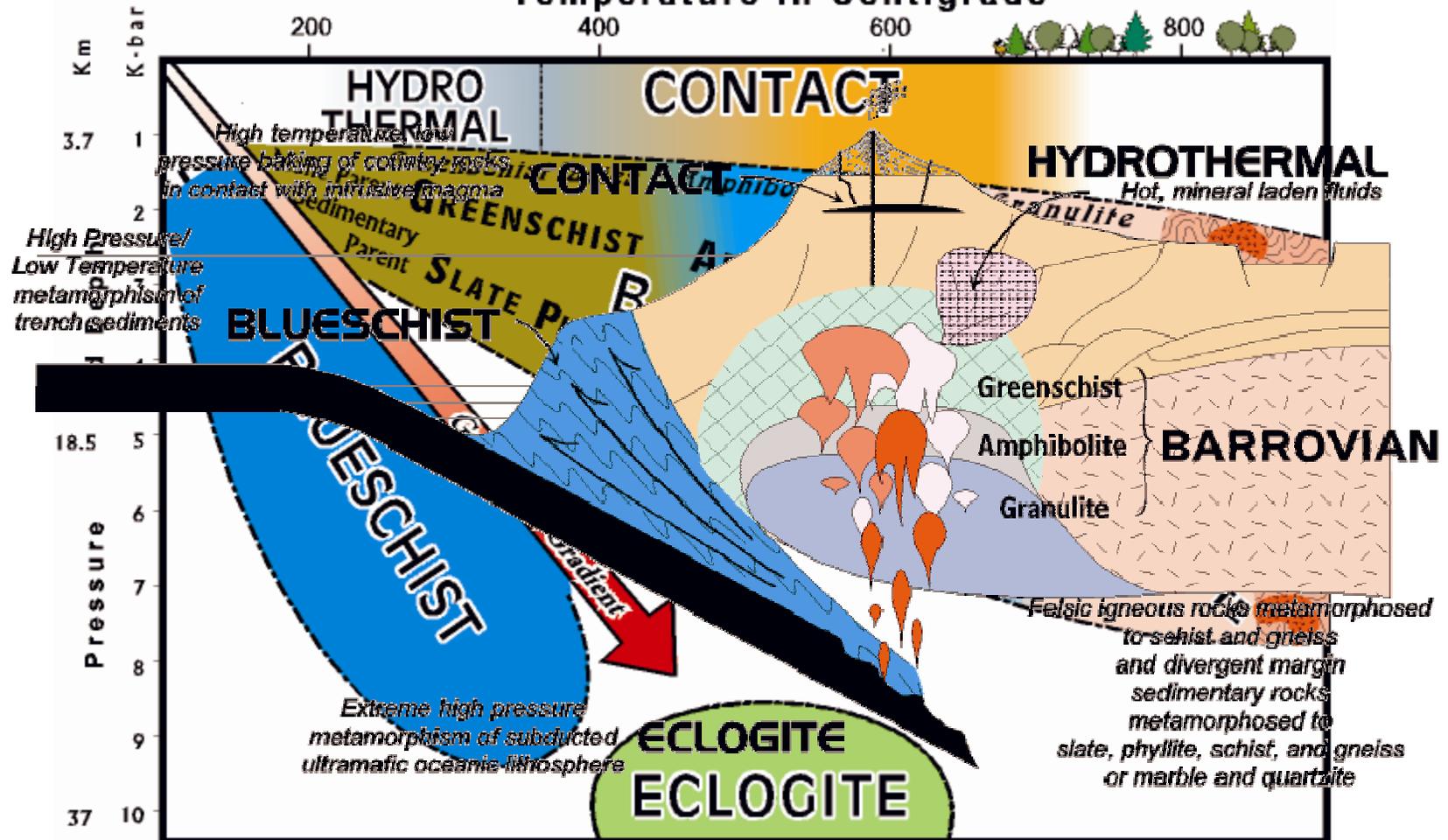
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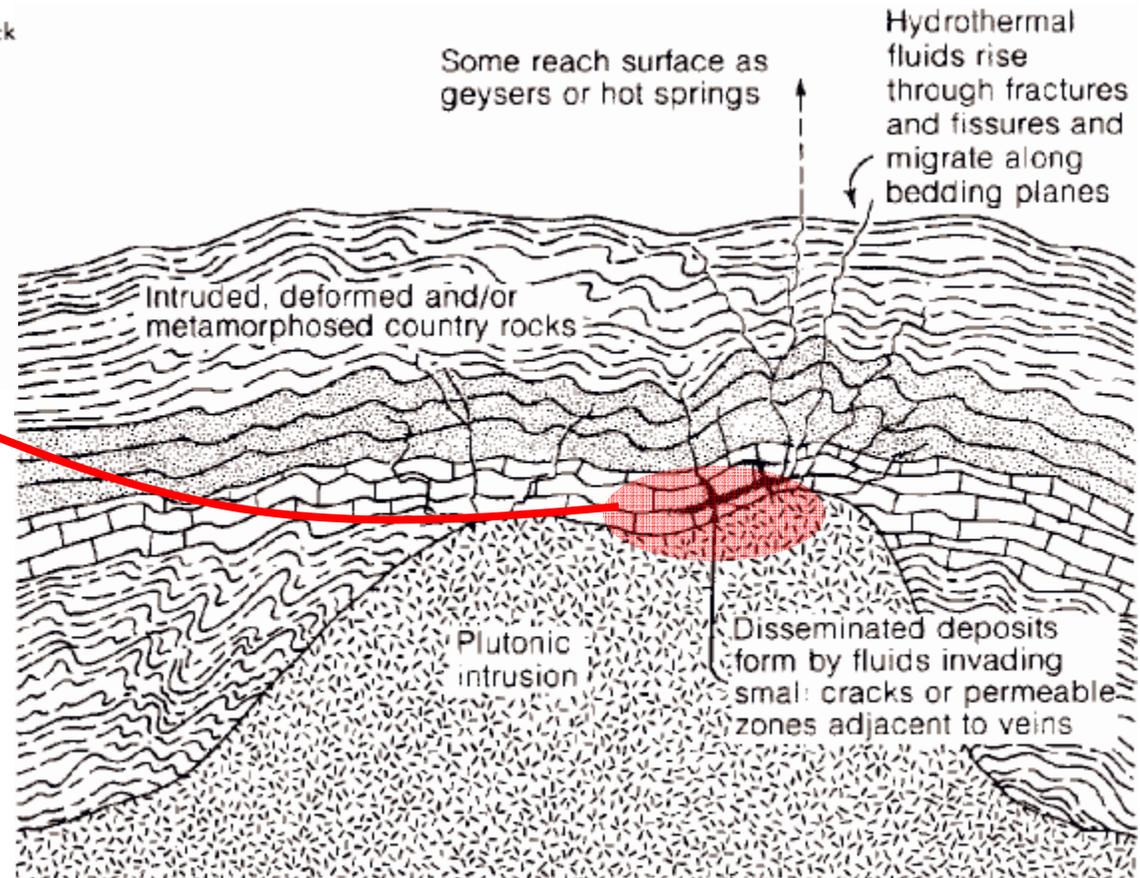
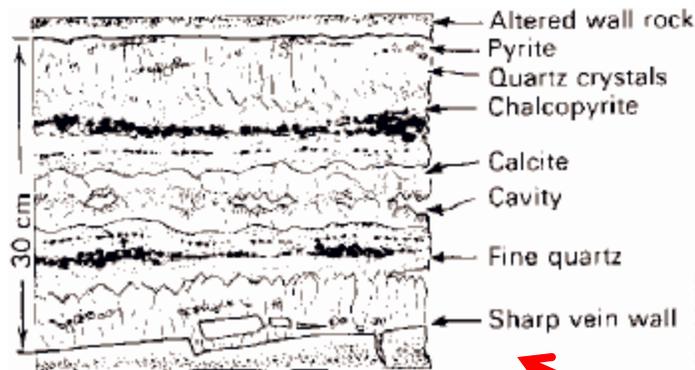
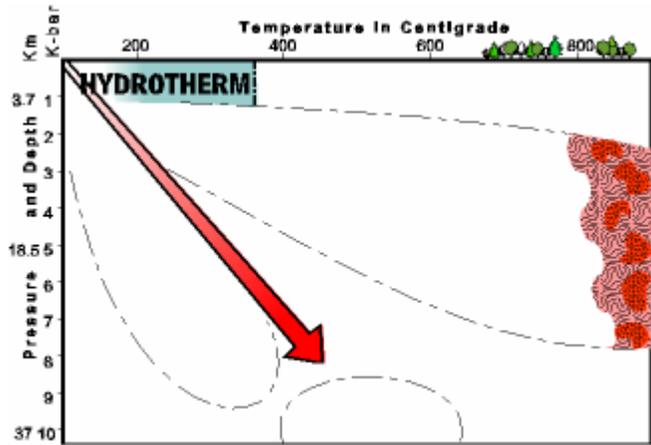
Temperature in Centigrade



HYDROTHERMAL METAMORPHISM

Hot fluids from cooling magma

Hot fluids driven from a cooling magma that penetrates into the country rock carrying dissolved minerals that precipitate in the veins and cracks in the rock.



HYDROTHERMAL METAMORPHISM

Hot fluids from cooling magma

Any chemical that cannot crystallize into a rock forming mineral is driven out of the magma as it crystallizes. In this case water (steam) is escaping through a fumarole precipitating the yellow sulfur it is carrying.



HYDROTHERMAL METAMORPHISM

Hot fluids from cooling magma

Hydrothermal minerals precipitated in veins in a rock.

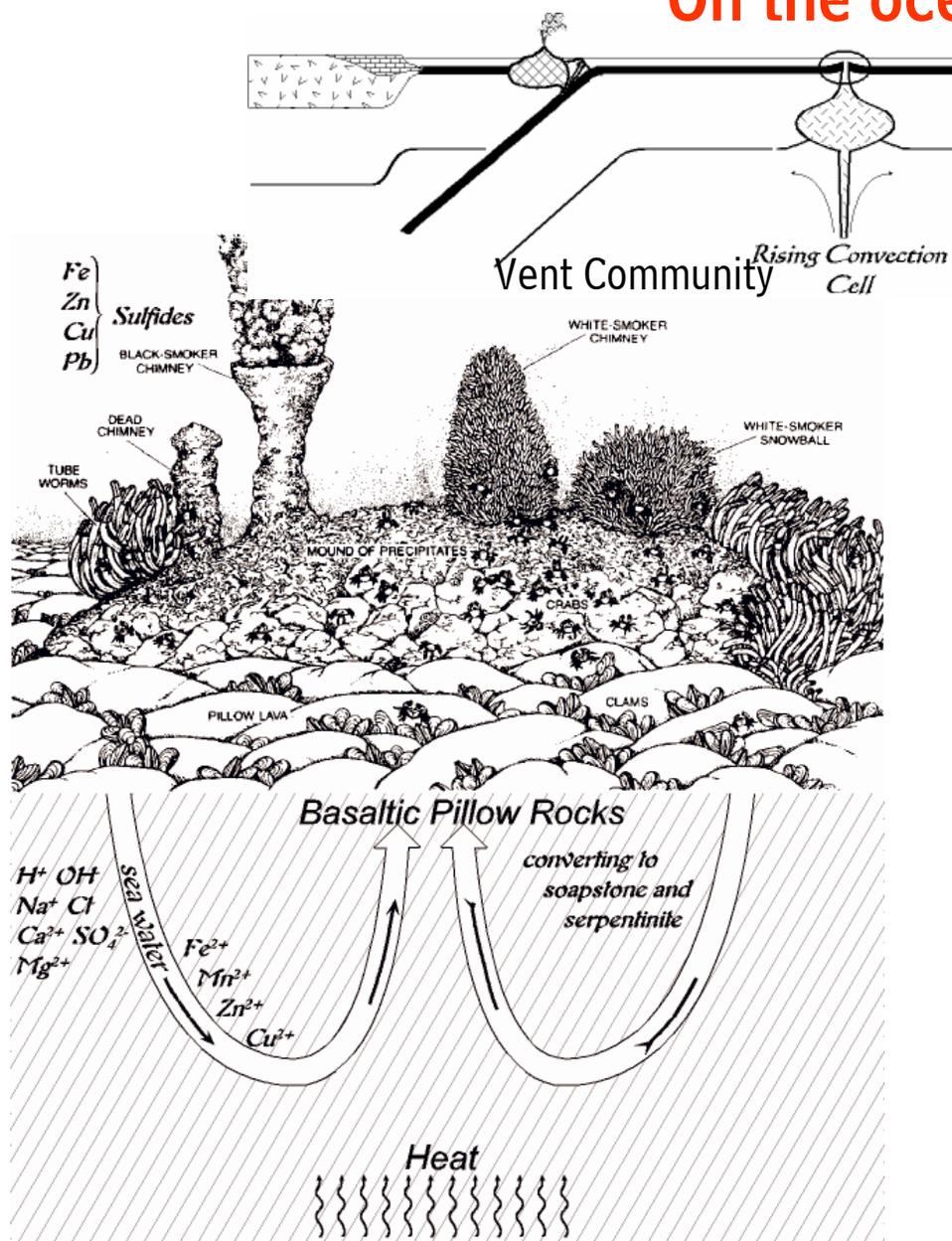


Veins in cores from the basement rocks of the Savannah River Plant in South Carolina. In these two cores you can see two different vein complexes cutting the rock. To the left the white and green material obliquely cutting the core is quartz and epidote the precipitated in the fractures when they opened up. If you look carefully you can see how the quartz is in the interior, and the epidote tends to be on the exterior of the vein suggesting an evolution of the fluids moving through these cracks. You can also see that multiple cracks exist suggesting this complex opened up and sealed with hydrothermal precipitates several times. In the core to the right you see pink zeolite crystals in the vein that point inwards to the void which is still left. Note how this vein is discordant to the layering in the enclosing gneiss. Zeolites are hydrothermal index minerals giving some idea to the conditions of formation. They also have useful industrial filtering properties.

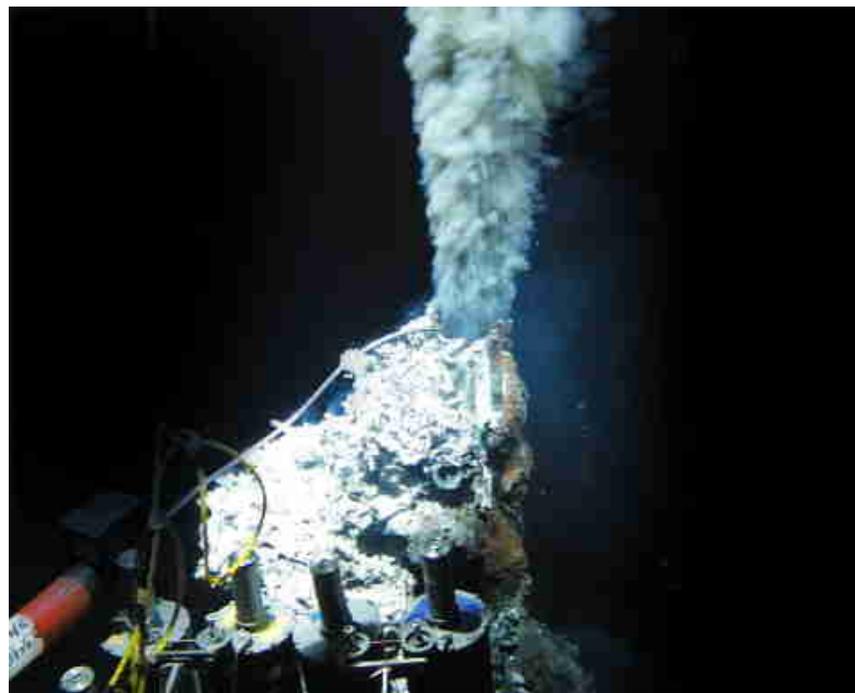
HYDROTHERMAL METAMORPHISM

On the ocean floor

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Ocean floor fumeroles and gysers (smokers)



HYDROTHERMAL METAMORPHISM

On the ocean floor



Basalt under the influence of hydrothermal metamorphism turns into two of the softer rocks – soapstone (composed of the mineral talc) and serpentinite (composed on the mineral serpentine).

SERPENTINITE



<http://www.rafa.com/soapstone.htm>



SOAP- STONE

<http://www.sandycline.com/sculpture/soapstone.html>

Soapstone, which is also known as steatite is a metamorphic rock having a talc base ("metamorphic" means changing from one type of stone to another through time and pressure). It occurs as a secondary mineral formed as a result of the alteration of olivine, pyroxene, and amphibole. The purest talc is used commercially to make talcum powder. Soapstone can be distinguished by its' ease of carving, soapy feel, and vibrant colour, which is obtained by the associated minerals leaching into the talc.

Because of its malleability, it has been used as a carving material for centuries. Egyptians carved figures and bowls of soapstone to be put into the tombs of pharaohs. Soapstone seals of Indian origin have been found in Bahrain and Ur. Paleoeskimos were mining the stone to make bowls and lamps on the Baie Verte Peninsula 1600 years ago. Native American Indians throughout North America carved soapstone into ornamental pipes and bowls.



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PRACTICAL USES OF SOAPSTONE AND SERPENTINITE



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Santa Catalina Island Blueschist Metamorphism



Western side of Santa Catalina island.
The sea cliffs are composed of
blueschist deposited over an old extinct
subduction zone

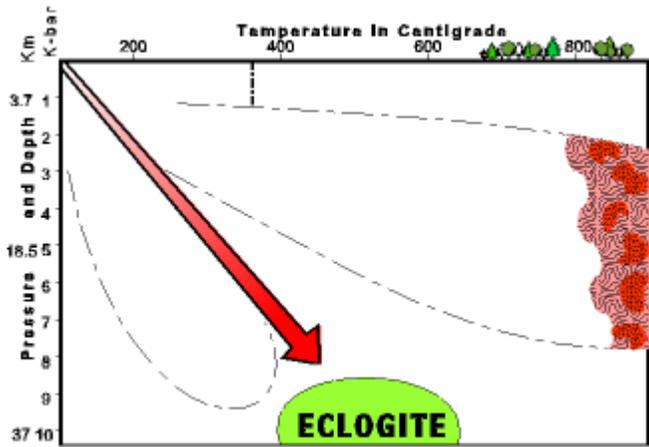
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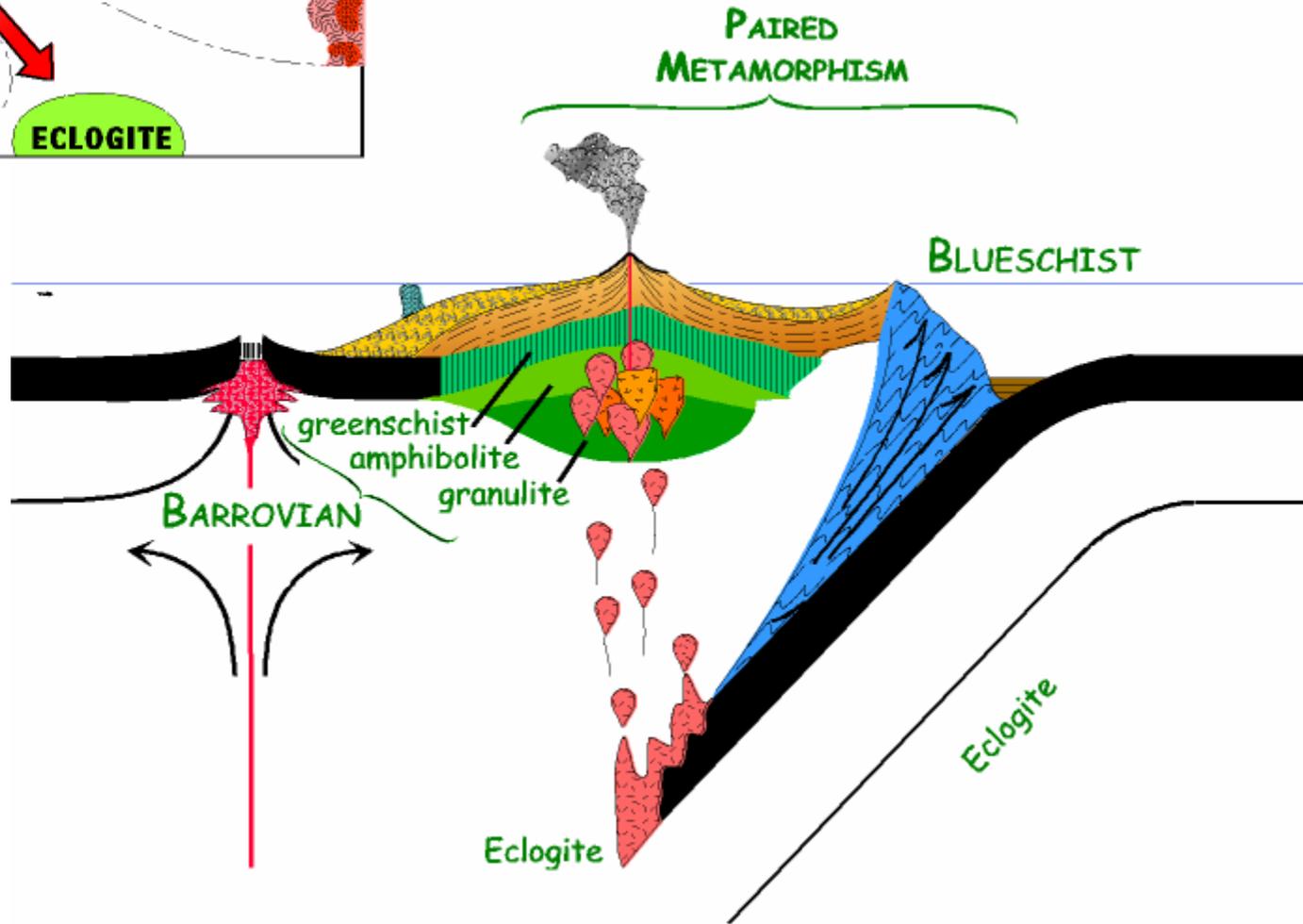
Blueschist Metamorphism

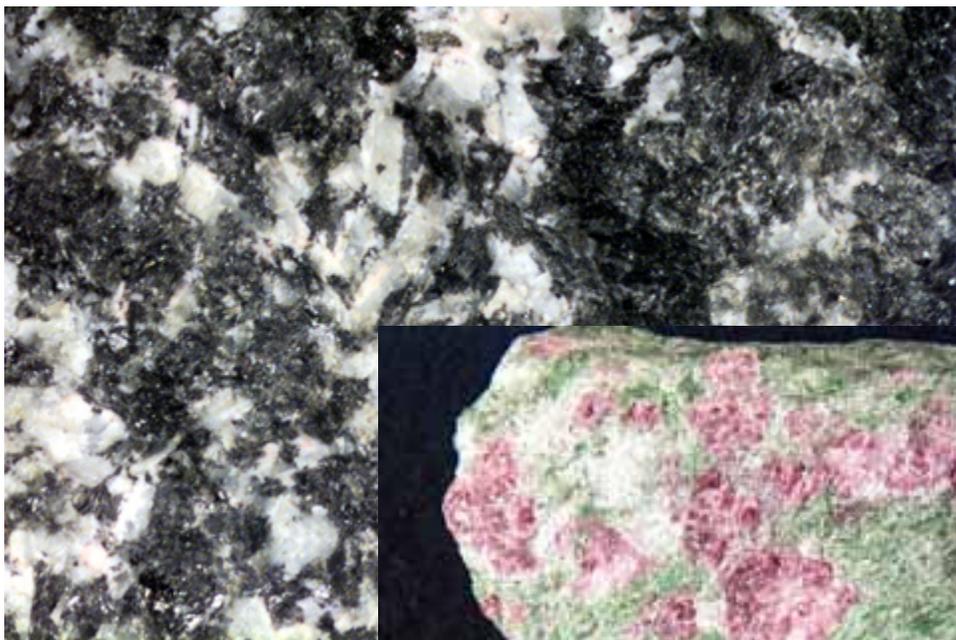
Petrologists prefer to talk about the glaucophane-schist facies, because not all blueschist is all that blue. Consider this hand specimen, which displays many different shades. Glaucophane and lawsonite are the major blue species in this rock type, but jadeite, epidote, and quartz are also common. It's hard to tell what's what on this specimen without a microscope



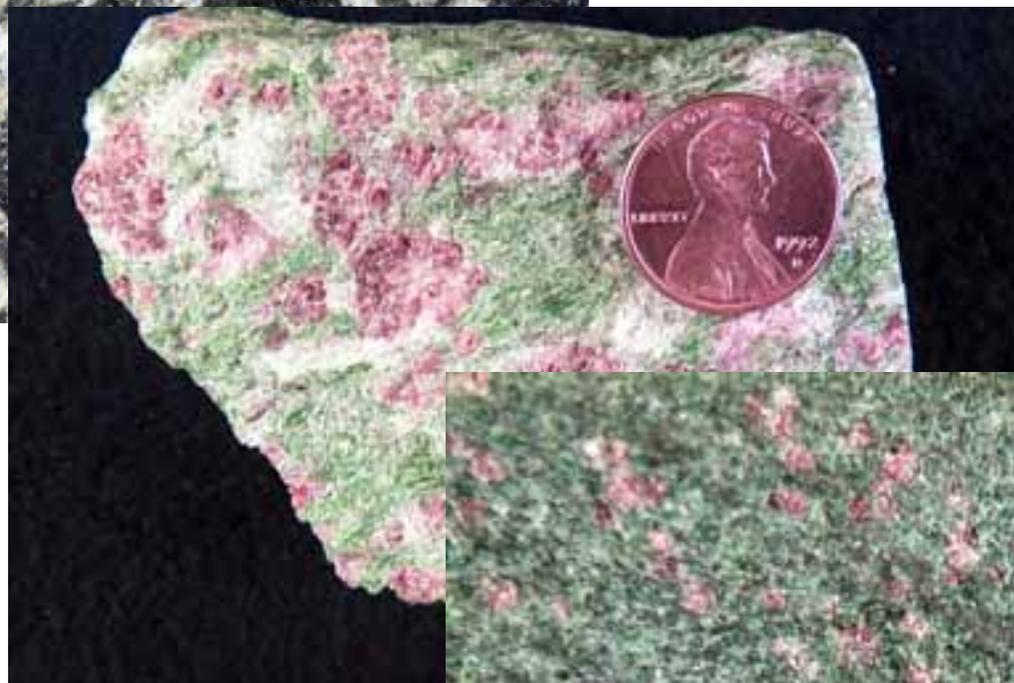


Eclogite Metamorphism





Gabbro

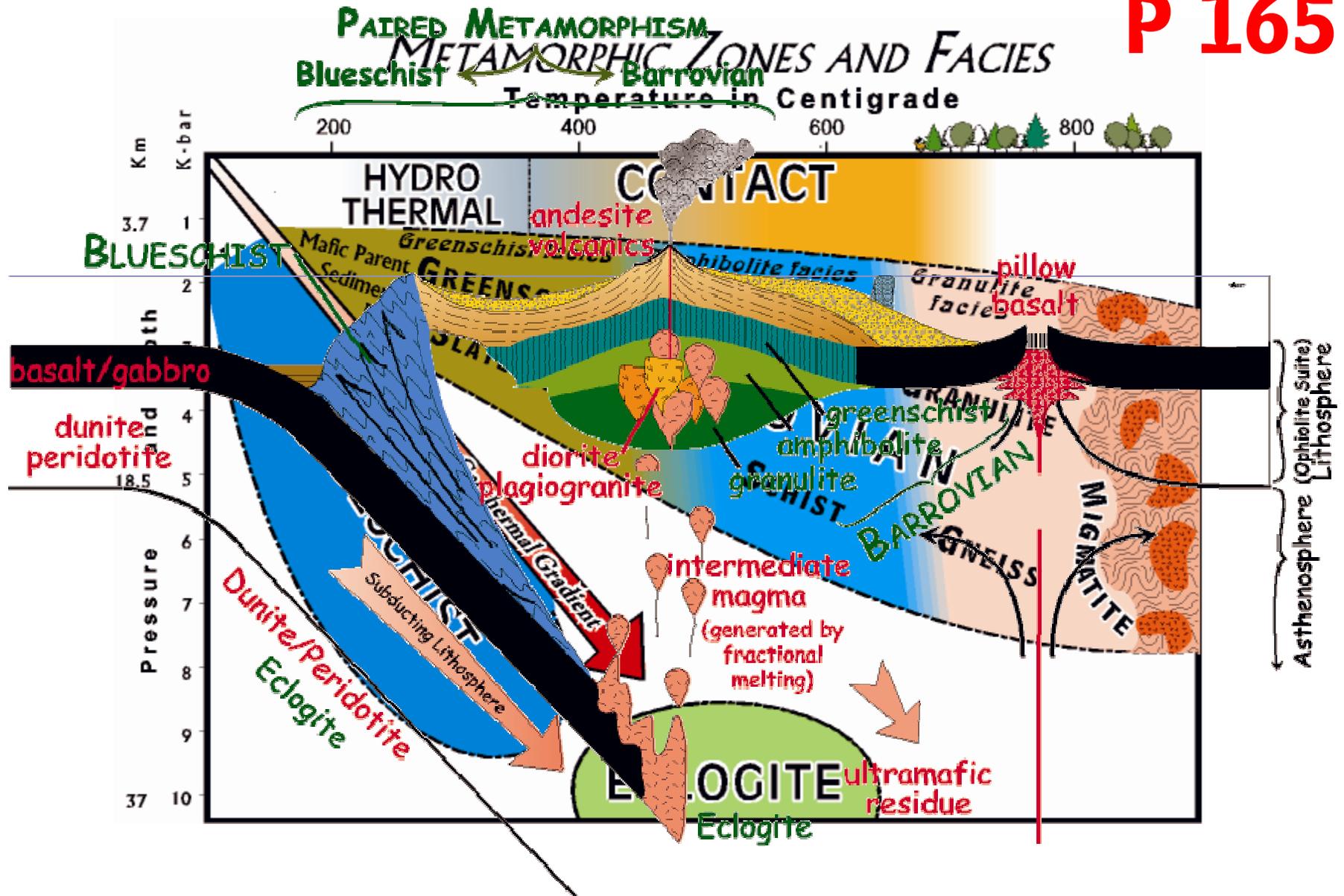


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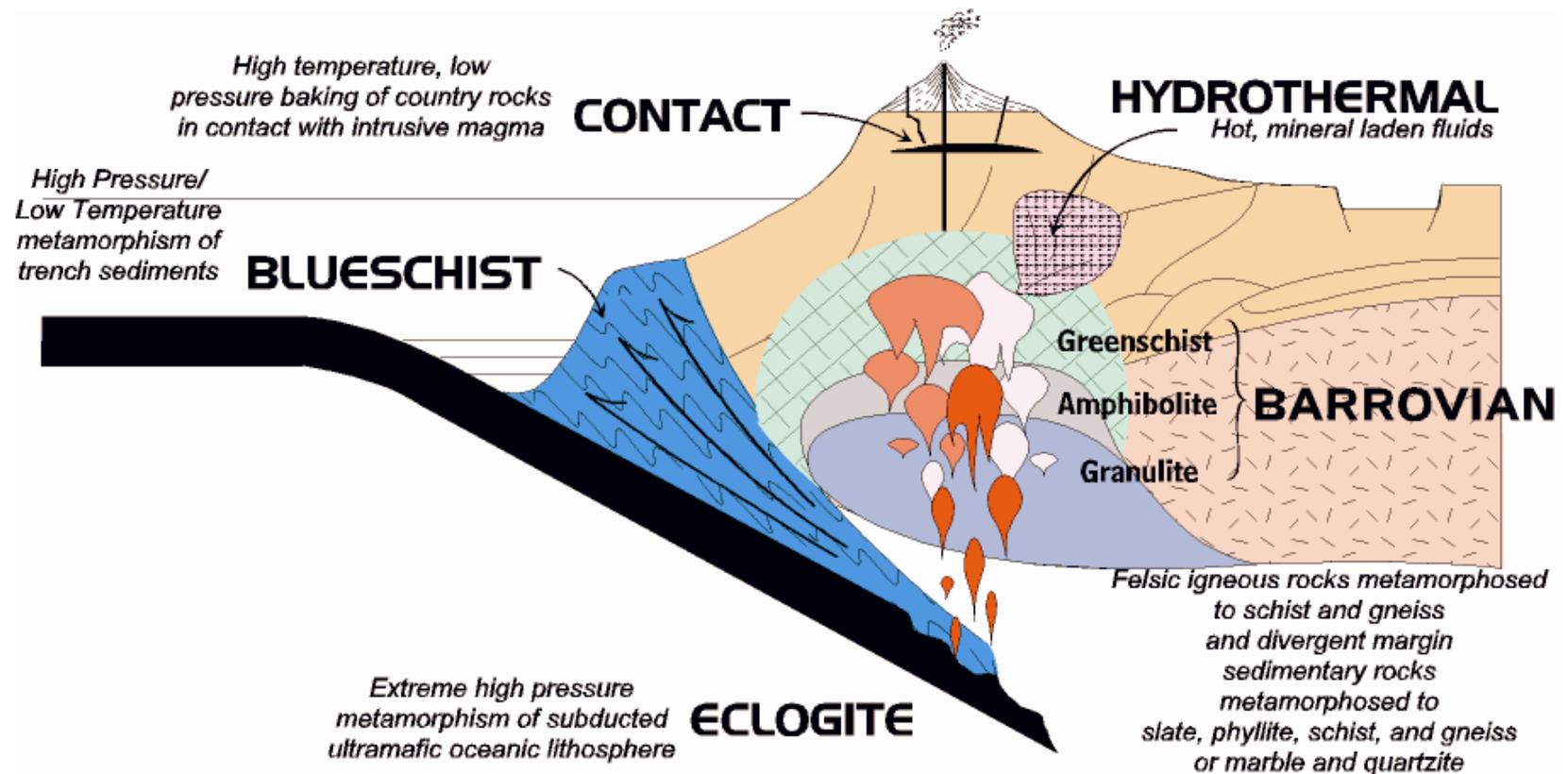


Barrovian Metamorphism

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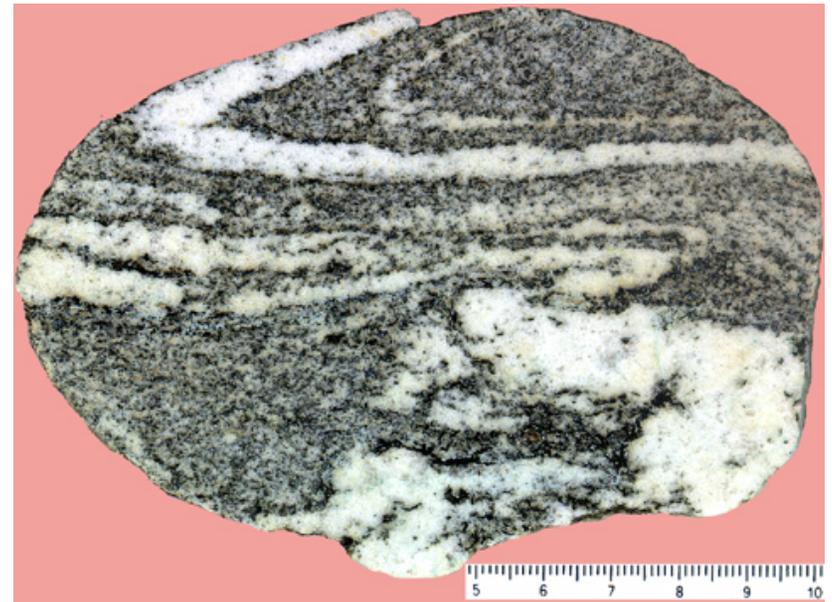
Barrovian Metamorphism



Barrovian Metamorphism
sometimes called
Regional Metamorphism

The kind of metamorphic rock you get depends on the parent rock

Granite goes to . . .



Gneiss

The kind of metamorphic rock you get depends on the parent rock

Limestone goes to . . .



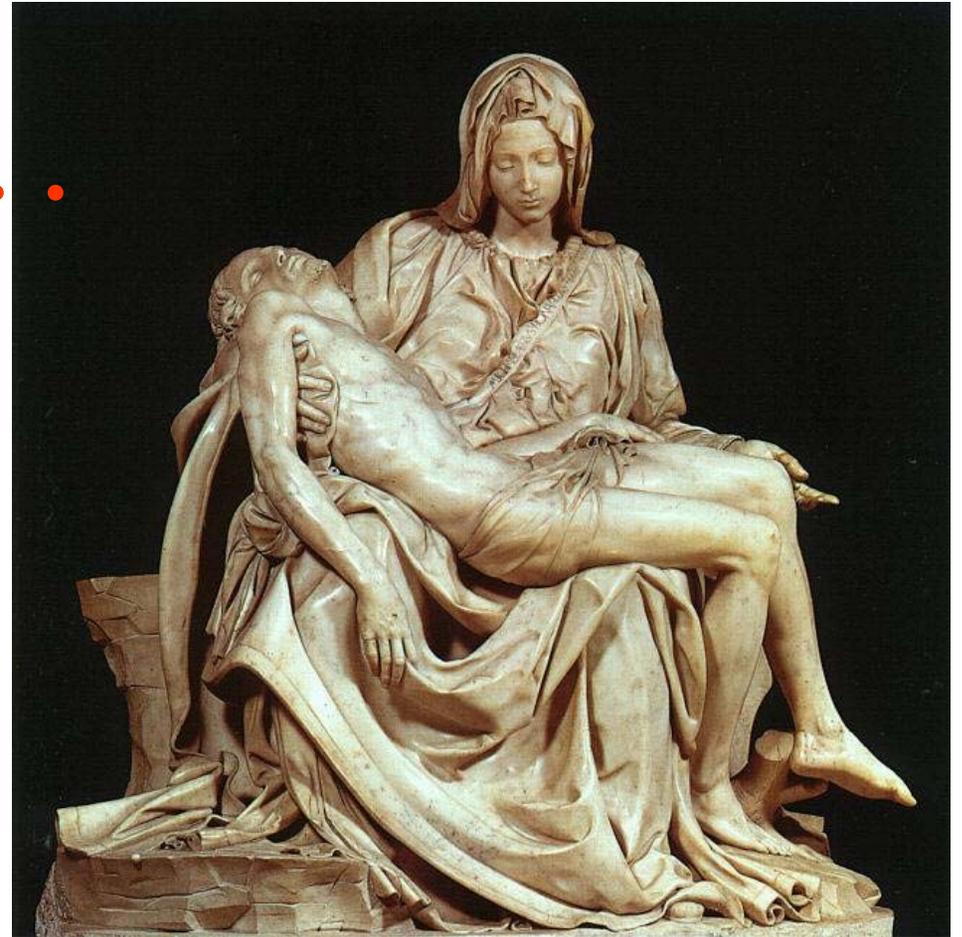
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Marble

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Shale goes to . . .



Well, a lot of things.

DEVELOPMENT OF BARROVIAN METAMORPHIC ROCKS FROM A SHALE PARENT

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BARROVIAN METAMORPHISM

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TEXTURE CHANGES: bedding → slaty cleavage → schistosity → mineral banding

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Shale



Clay
Silica
Iron oxides

Sedimentary
Bedding

Dull “thunk” sound when struck

Metamorphoses
Into



Slate



Small chlorite
crystals

Slaty cleavage

Rings like a bell when struck

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Phyllite



<http://geology.about.com/library/bl/images/blphyllite.htm>

Large chlorite crystals

Slaty cleavage –
coarser grained
foliation

Has a definite sheen in reflected light;
back to dull “thunk” sound



<http://www.env.duke.edu/eos/geo41/ims2.htm>

FOLIATED TEXTURES SLATY CLEAVAGE



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SLATY CLEAVAGE AND ITS PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS



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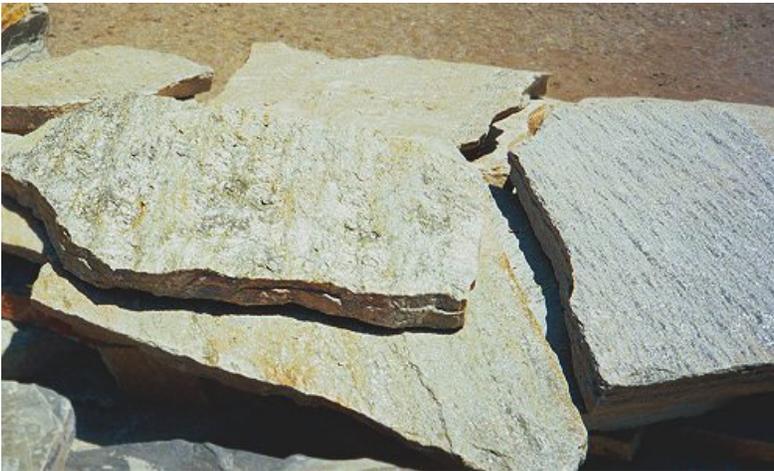
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Phyllite



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Large chlorite crystals

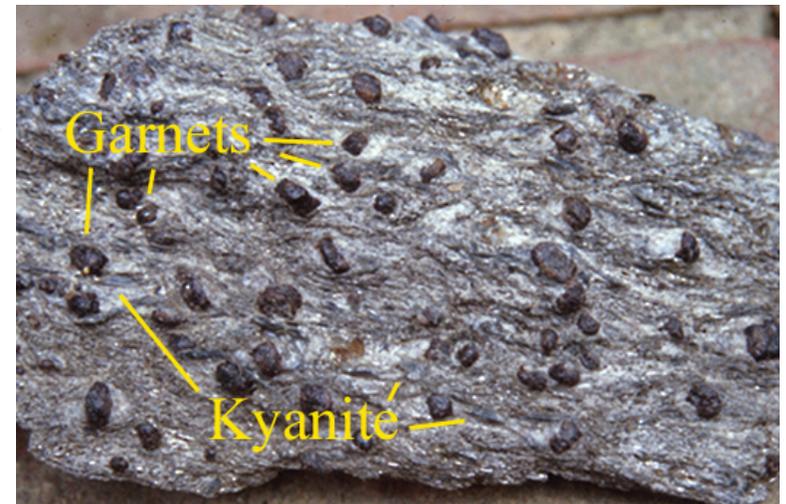
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Metamorphoses Into



Schist



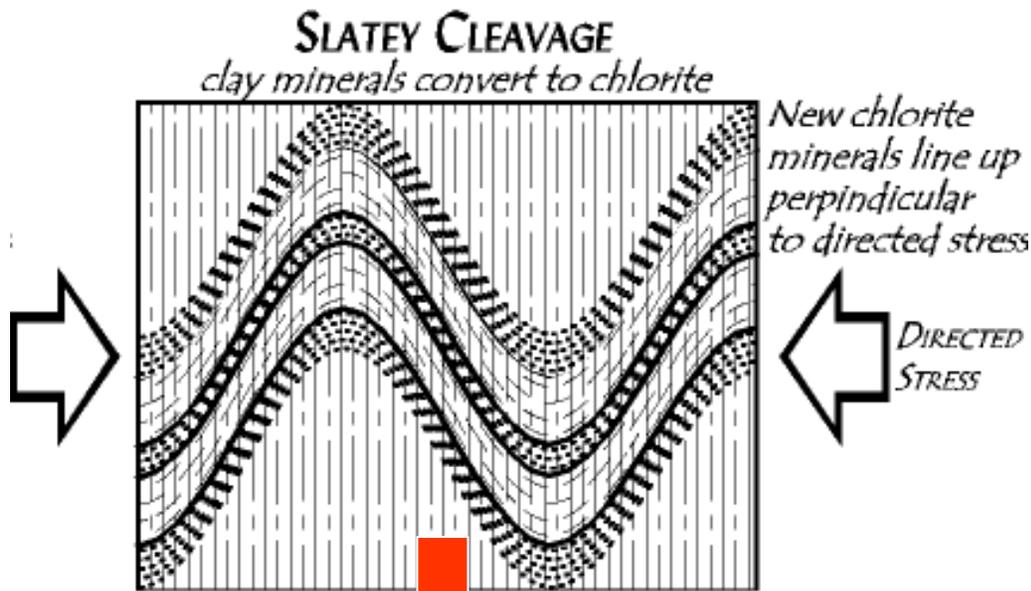
Chlorite gone. Quartz, Schistosity; minerals feldspar, mica, and completely intermixed many new minerals

Minerals large enough to be easily identified

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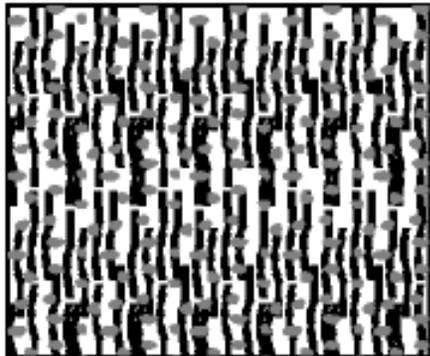
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SCHISTOSITY AND MINERAL BANDING



develops into

SCHISTOSITY
chlorite goes to mica, qtz, feldspar



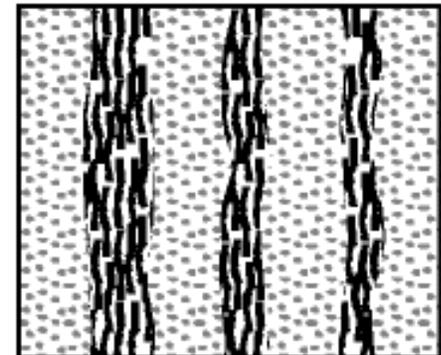
mica, amphibole, qtz, feldspar completely intermixed

Which then



Develops into

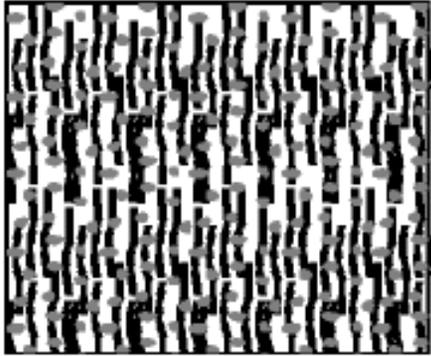
BANDING
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dark mafics (biotite/amphibole) segregate into bands separate from light colored qtz/feldspar

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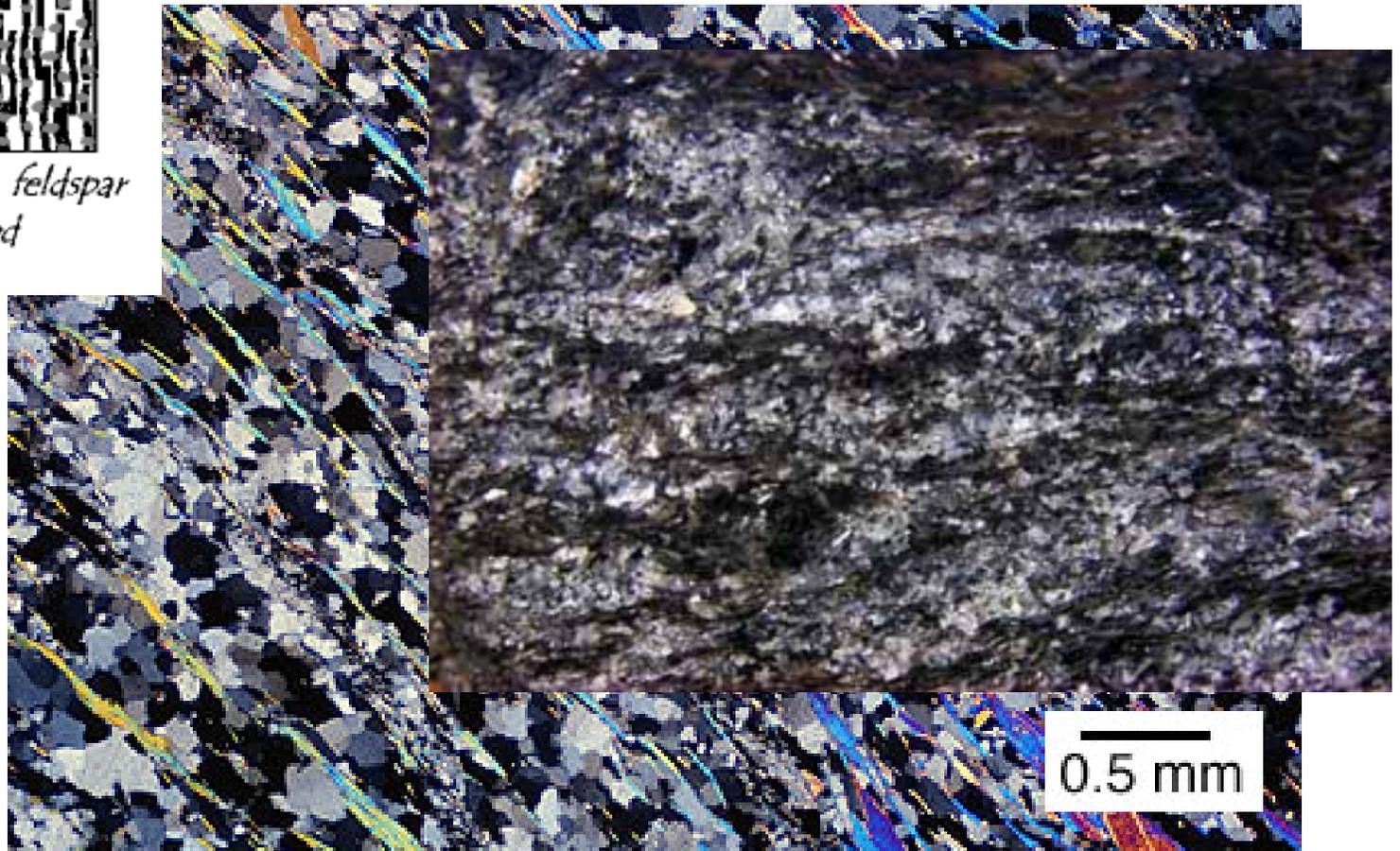
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completely intermixed*

FOLIATED TEXTURES – SCHISTOSITY

A foliation is any planar fabric in a metamorphic rock. In this case, the foliation is defined by aligned sheets of muscovite sandwiched between quartz grains.



FOLIATED TEXTURES – SCHISTOSITY

Schist



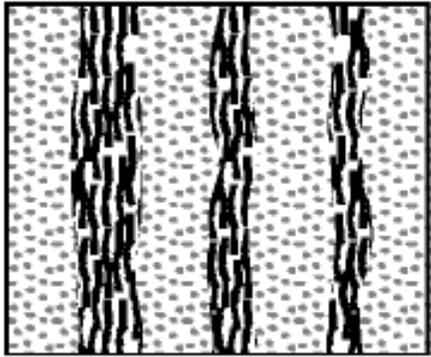
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BANDING
mica, qtz, feldspar



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Gneiss



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Gneiss



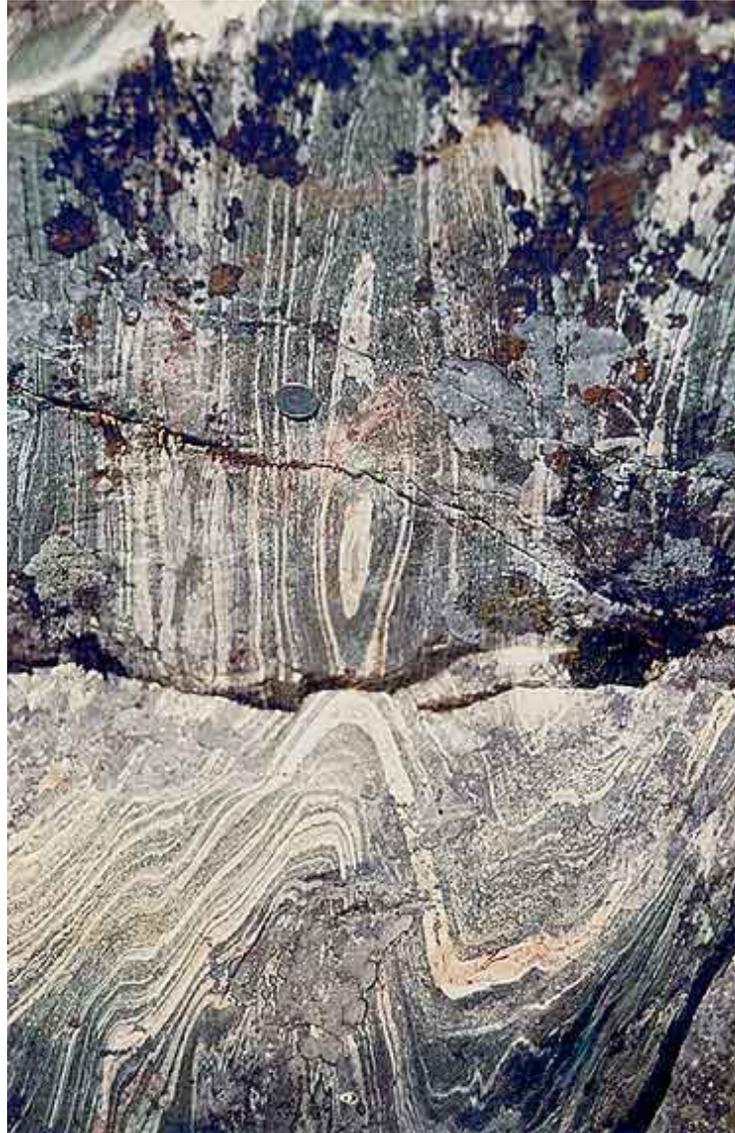
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Gneiss



FOLIATED TEXTURES – MINERAL BANDING

Gneiss



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Gneiss



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Gneiss goes to . . .



Migmatite



The kind of metamorphic rock you get depends on the parent rock

Which goes to . . .

Granite

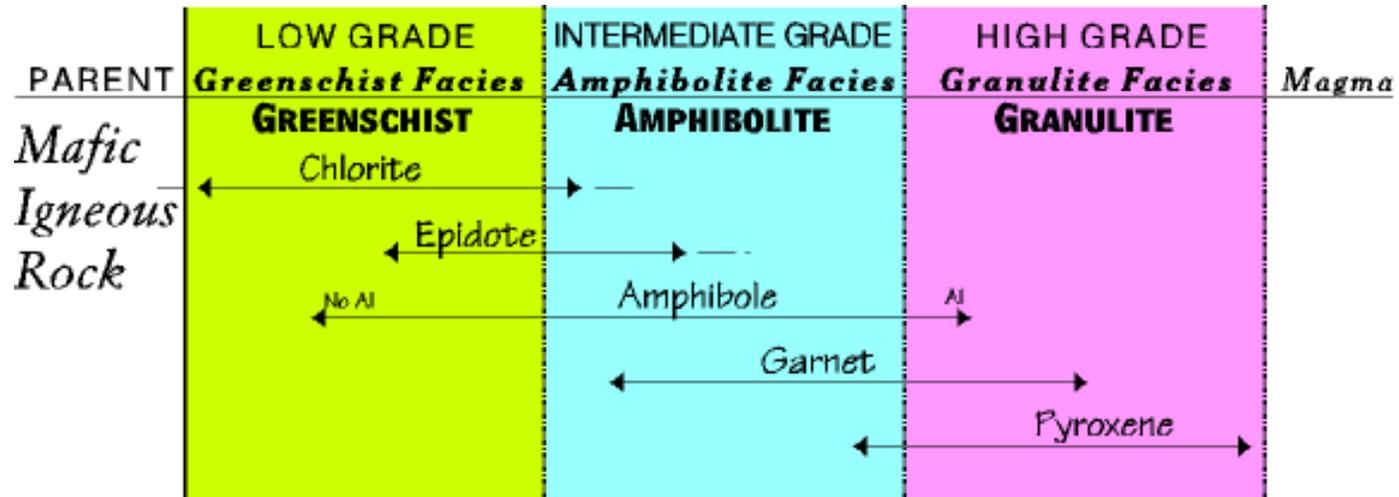


The kind of metamorphic rock you get depends on the parent rock

Basalt/Gabbro goes to . . .



Barrovian Metamorphism of Mafic Igneous Rocks



Greenschist

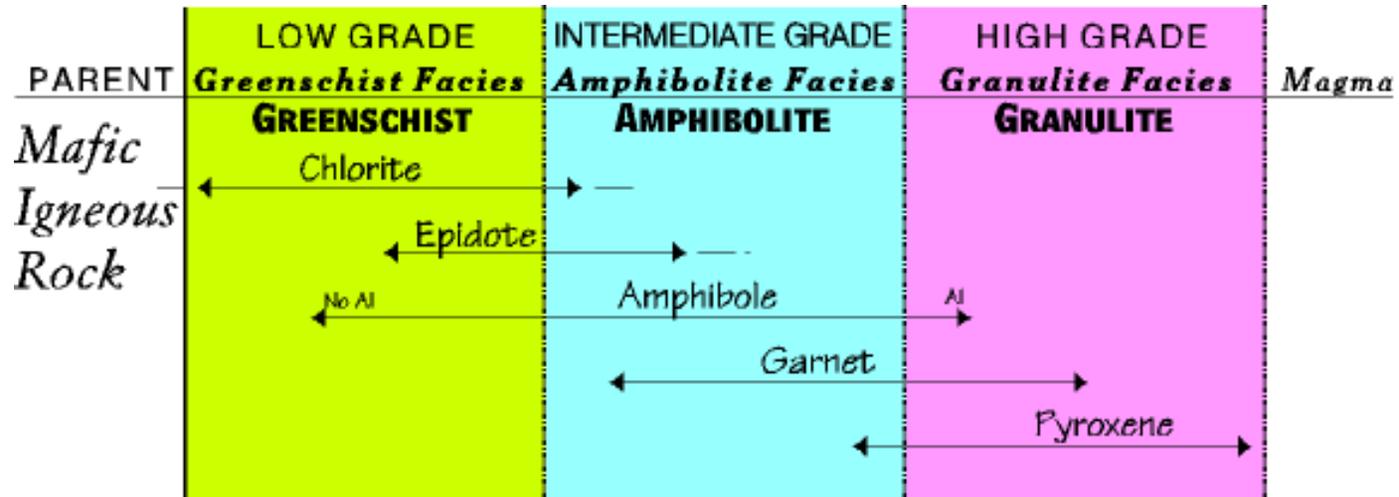
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Metamorphoses
Into



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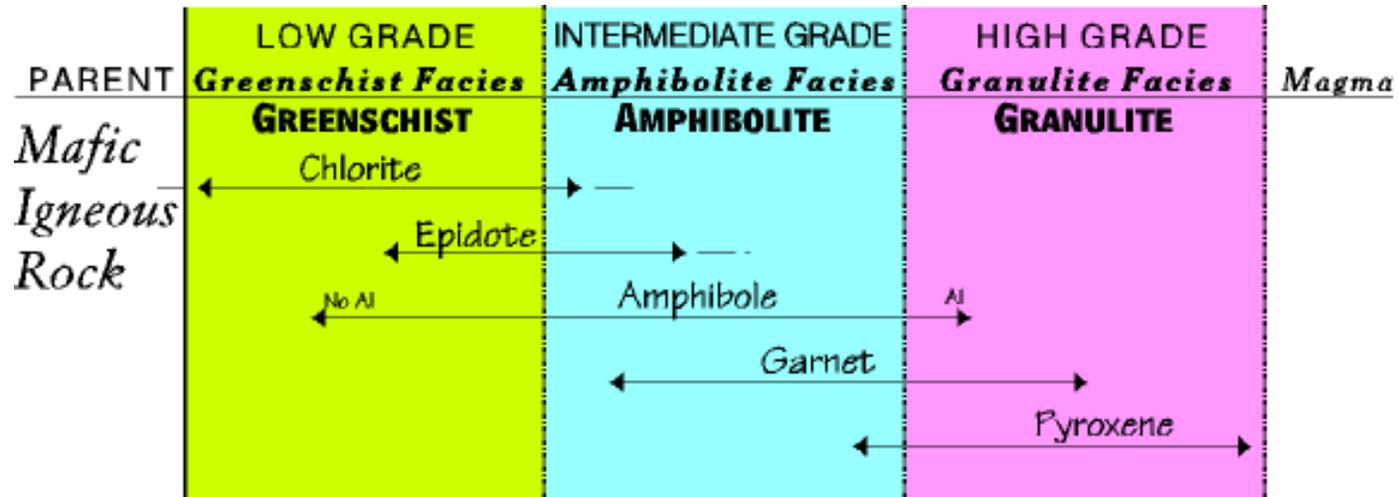
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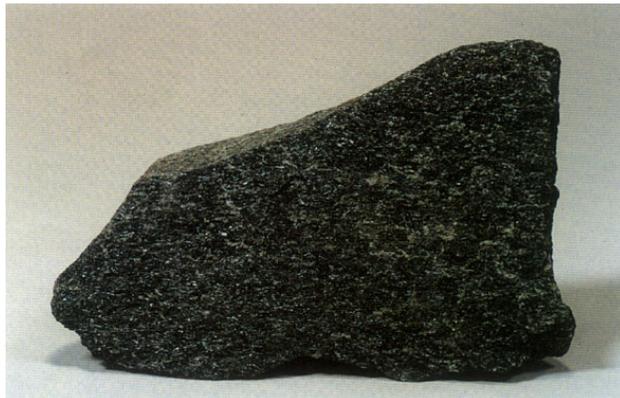
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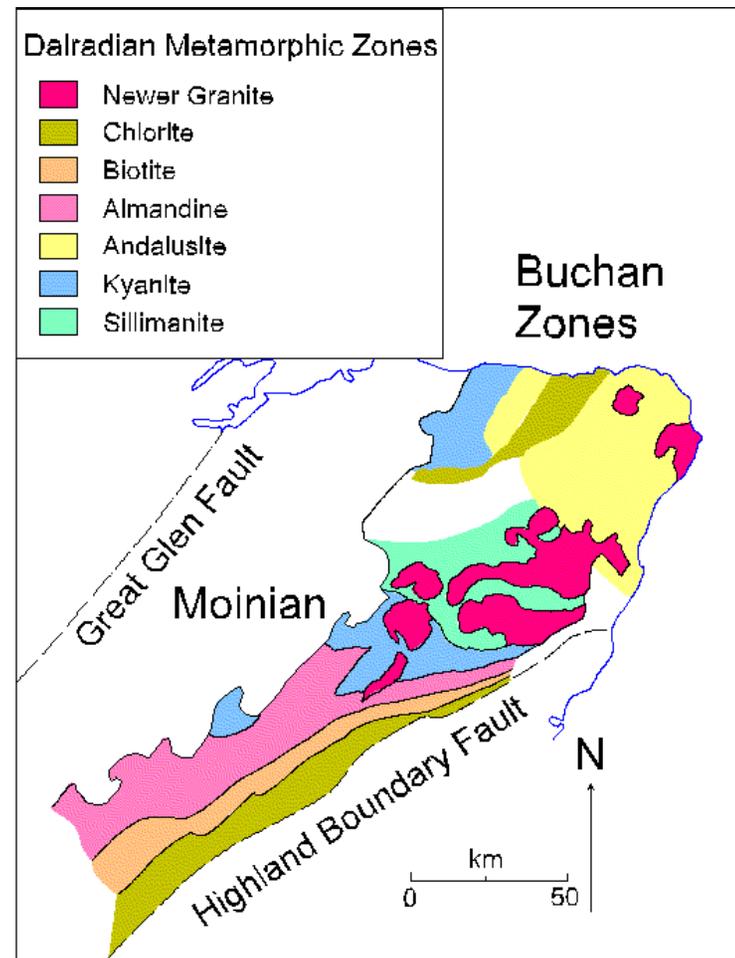
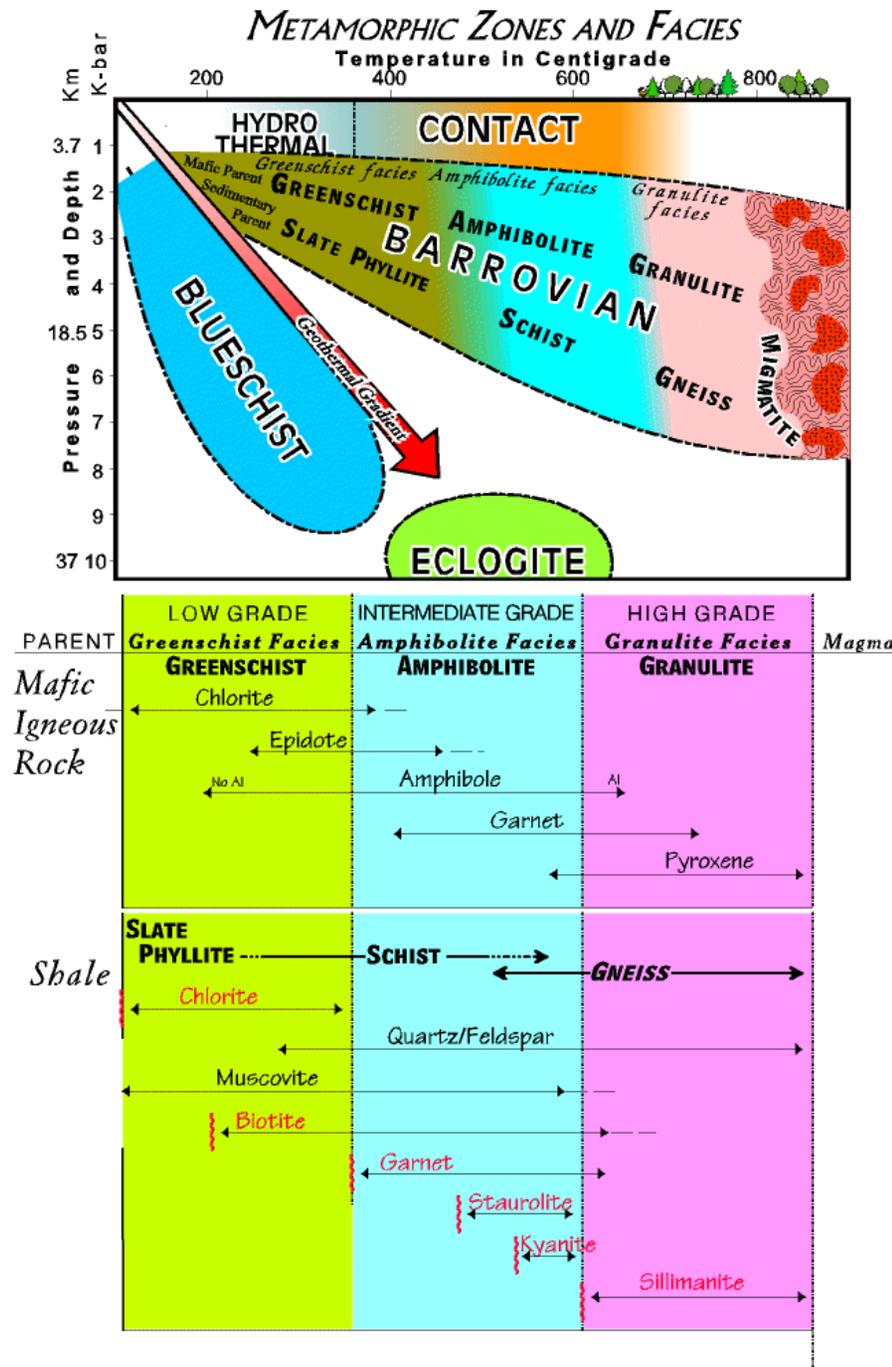


Granulite



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Measuring the Intensity Of Barrovian Metamorphism Zones and Facies

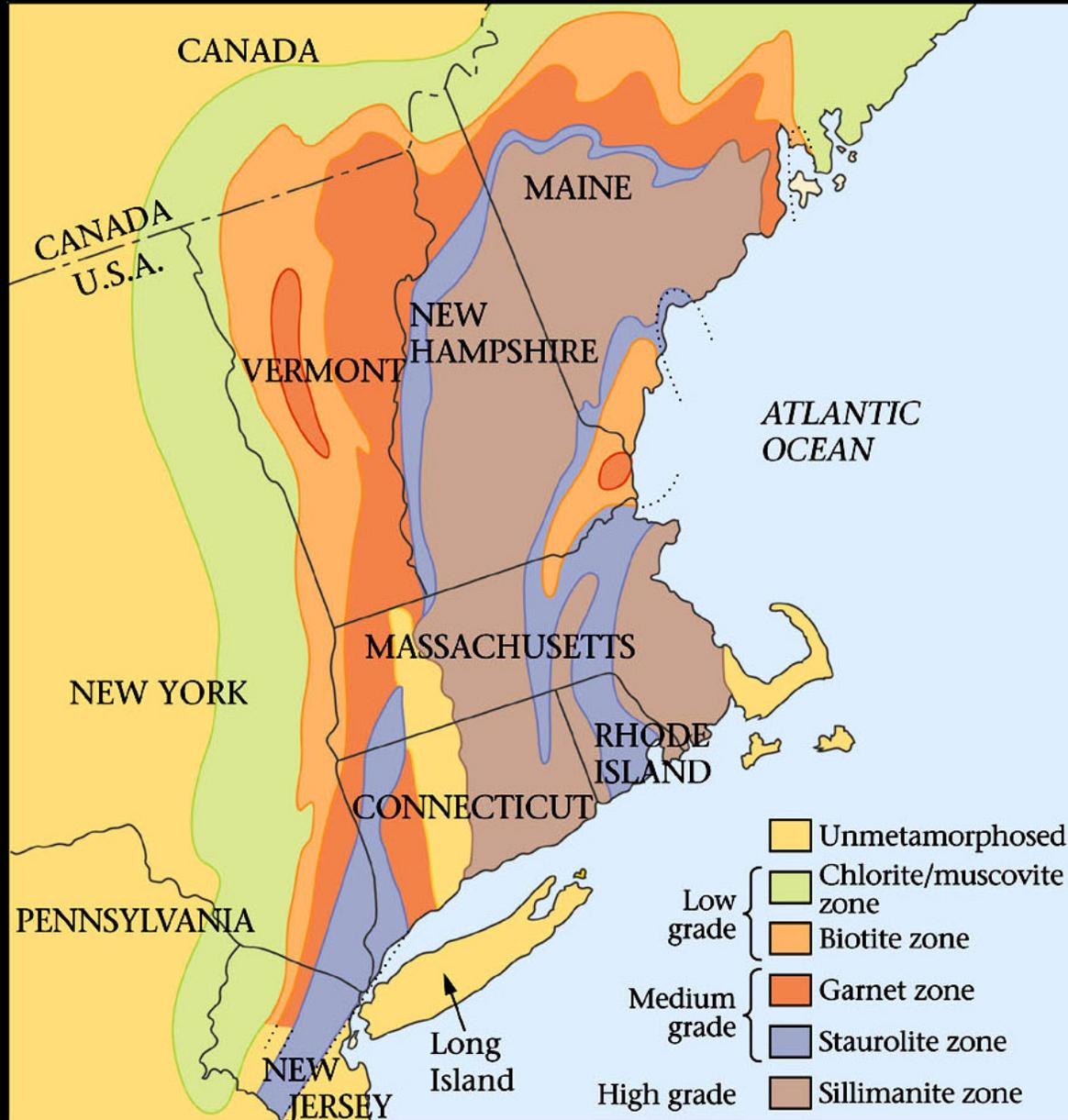


The extension of Barrow's zones of regional metamorphism along the length of the Dalradian sequence in the Scottish Highlands (from Turner, 1968).

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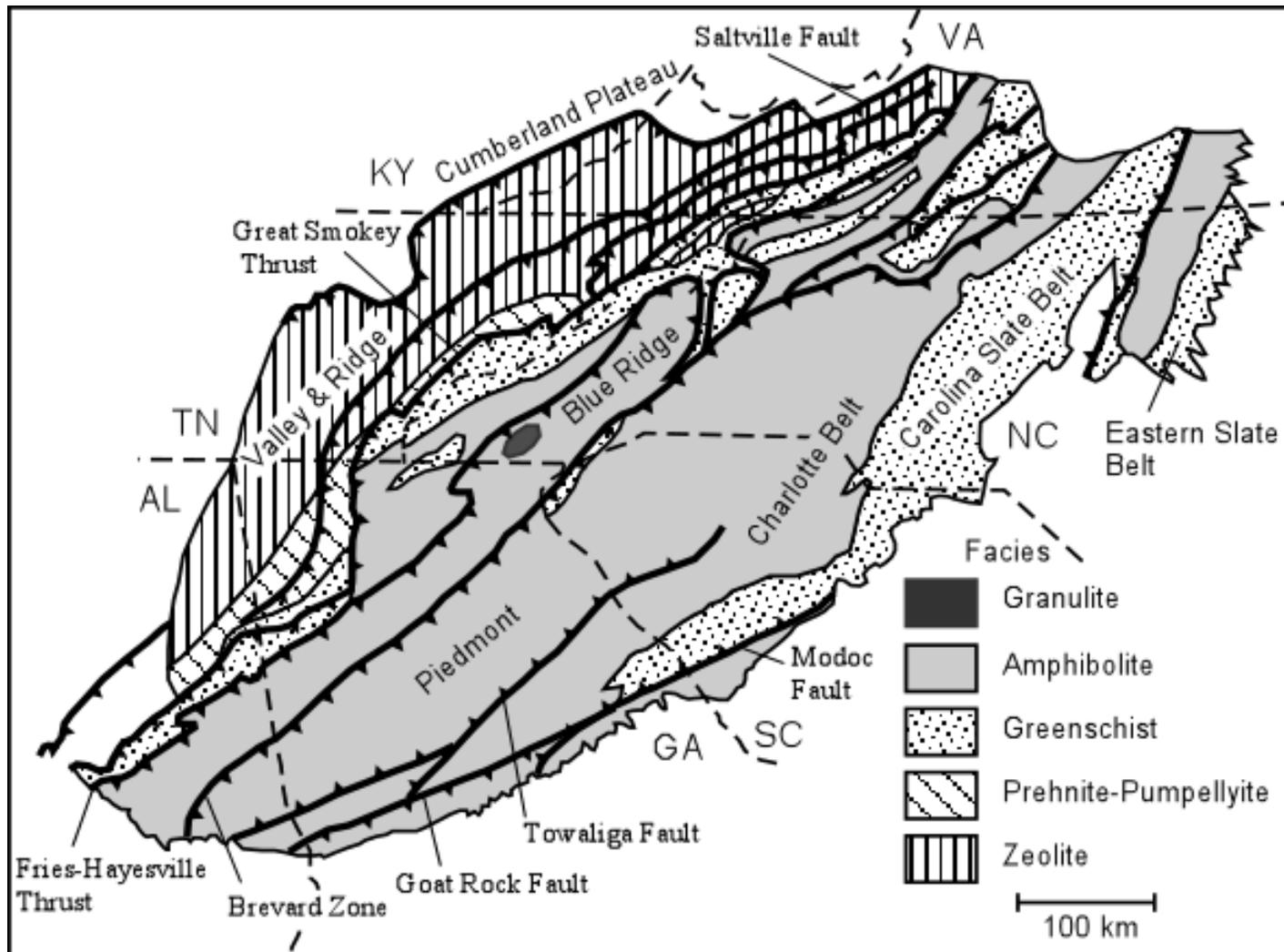
Metamorphic grade in New England

(Acadian in New England)



Barrovian Facies Series of the Southern Appalachians

The Barrovian Facies Series occurs in the southern Appalachians, extending from Central Virginia to Alabama. Interpretation of the relationship between deformation and metamorphism is complicated by the fact the region has experienced at least three mountain building events, and thrust faults cut the area.

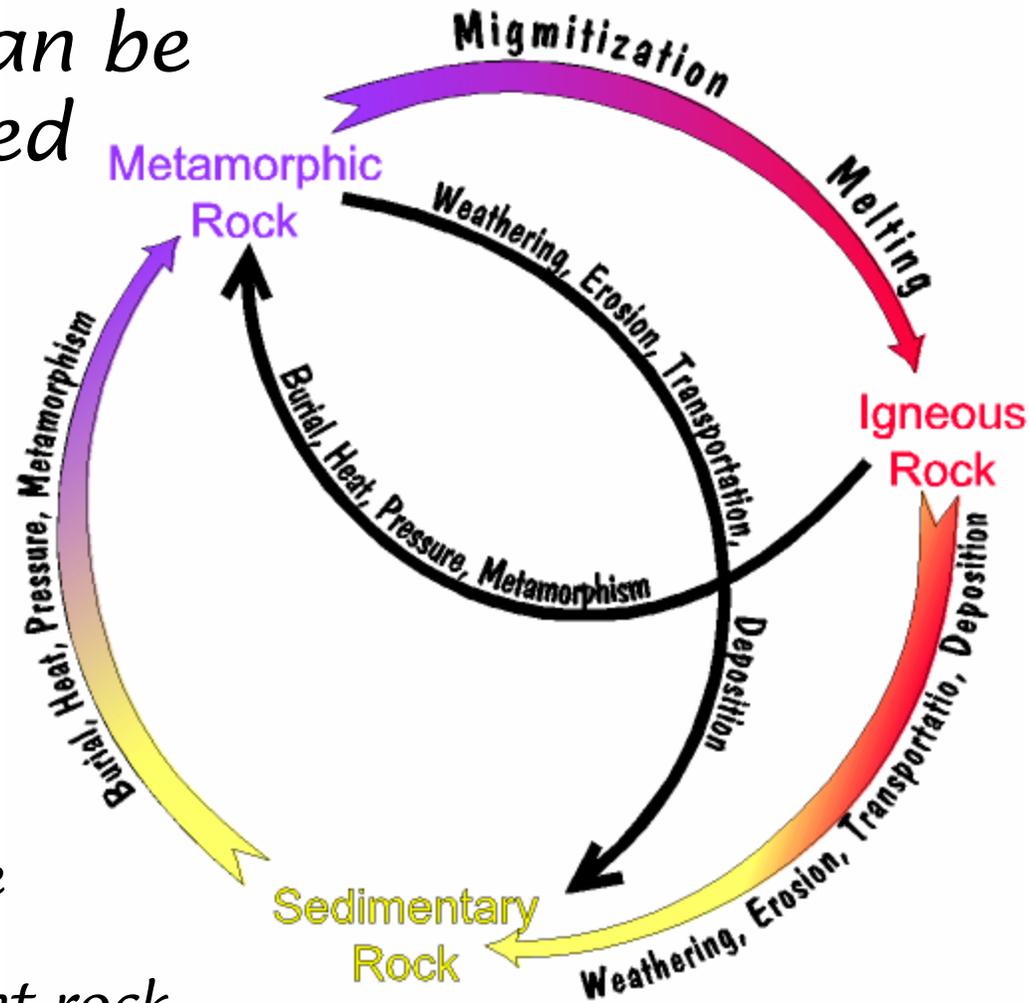


After Raymond, 1995

Cycles Within Cycles

The Rock Cycle

All rocks can be transformed into other rocks



But, all rocks originate and evolve from the parent rock

Thus endith

Our study of the Geological
Earth

It is time for the first test



What day would work best for the test?
Wednesday? Thursday?

When we do the test we can do it one of two ways.

Decision is by majority vote.

Option One:

- Test begins at 9:00.
- You have 50 minutes to take the test.
- Class begins at 10:00.

Option Two:

- Class begins at 9:00 and ends at 11:00.
- You may begin the test anytime between 11:00 and 1:30.
- You may have as much time as you wish to take the test.