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Diversity of the Kokchetav metamorphic diamonds and their formations related with H₂O-rich fluid conditions

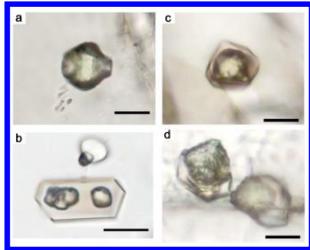
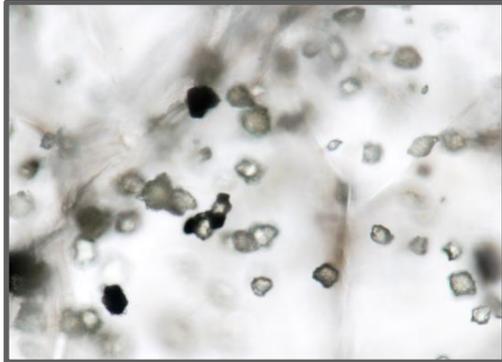
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Diamonds at Kumdy-kol, Kokchetav

Short summary of our previous studies

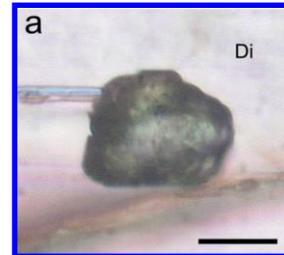
Dolomite marble

- **Representative diamond-bearing rock in the Kokchetav**
- **Very high abundance (max. 2700 carat/ton)**
- **Two-stage growth:**
 - **1st stage $\delta^{13}\text{C} = -15$ to -8 ‰, 2nd stage: $\delta^{13}\text{C} = -27$ to -17 ‰**
- **2nd stage diamond formed from C-bearing H₂O fluid**
 - **High nucleation rate**
 - **Quick crystallization**



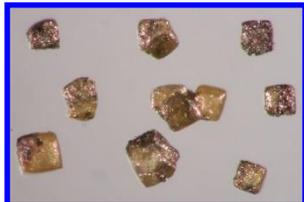
Grt-Bt gneiss

- high abundance
- No 2nd stage growth
- Growth and dissolution (?)



Calcite marble

- Very low abundance (61 grains only in Di)
- No 2nd stage growth
- Growth and dissolution (?)
- Small FWHM of Raman



Grt-Cpx rock (Dia-bearing)

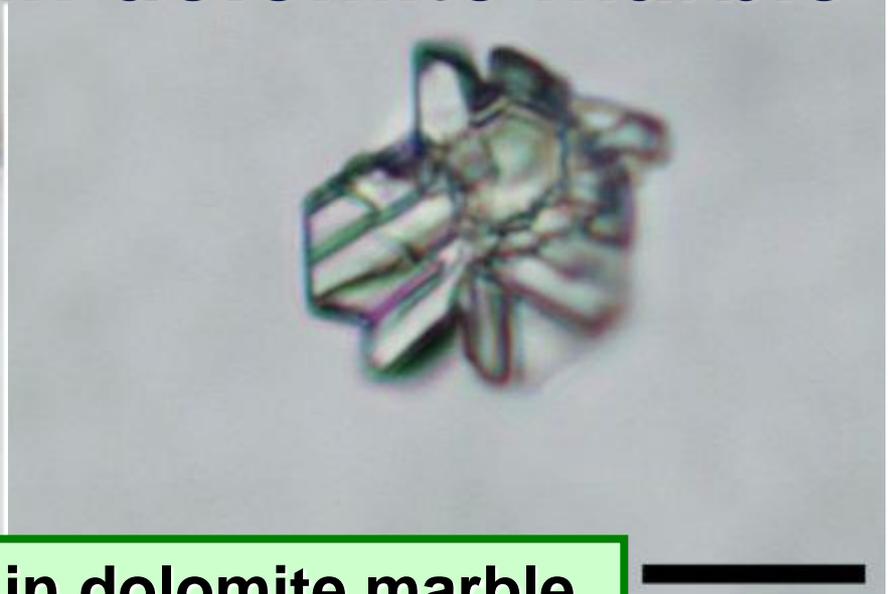
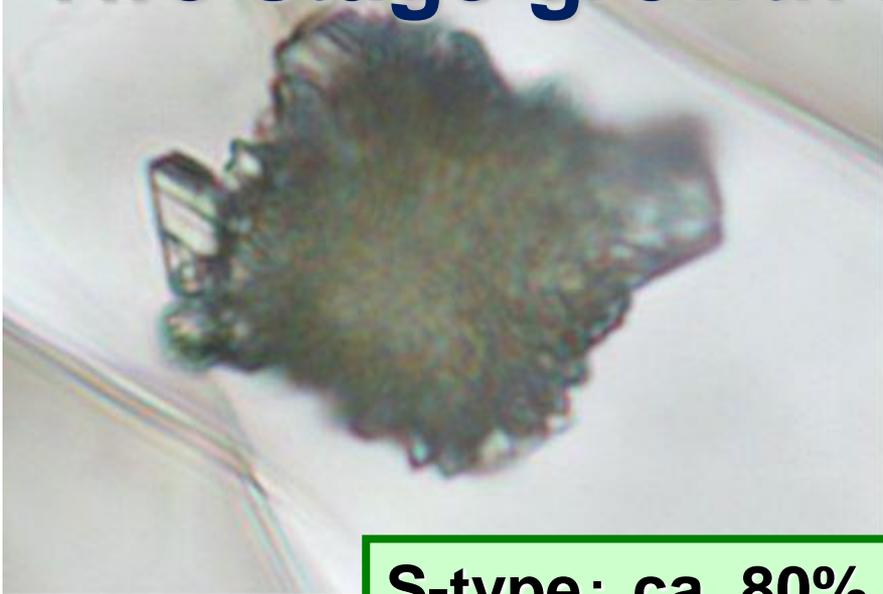
- Low abundance
- Large-grain > 100 μm
 - Overgrowth on fine grain
 - Low nucleation rate
 - Slow crystallization from H₂O fluid



Tur-Qtz-Fel rock

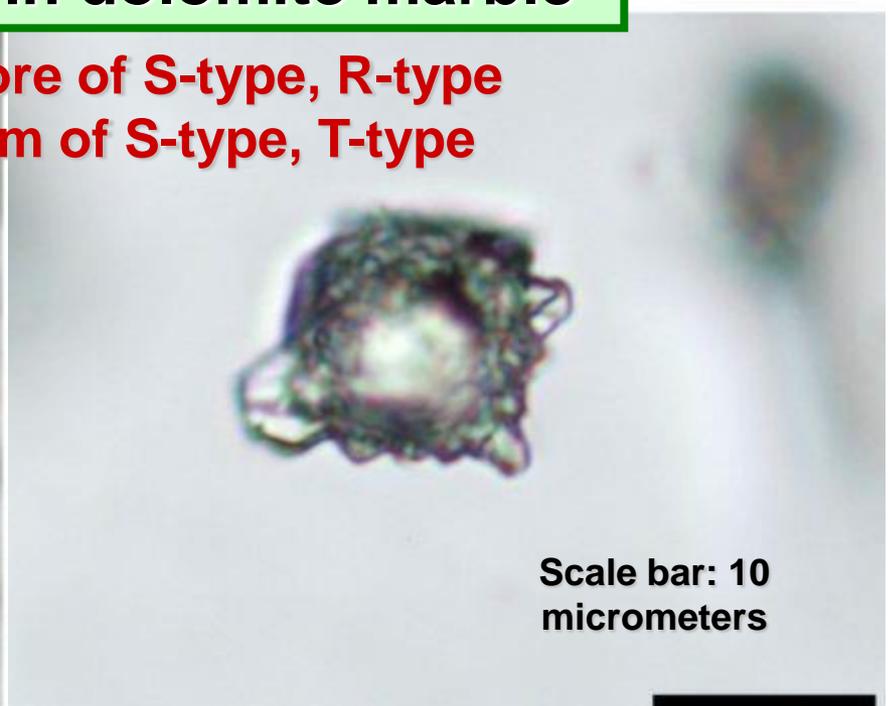
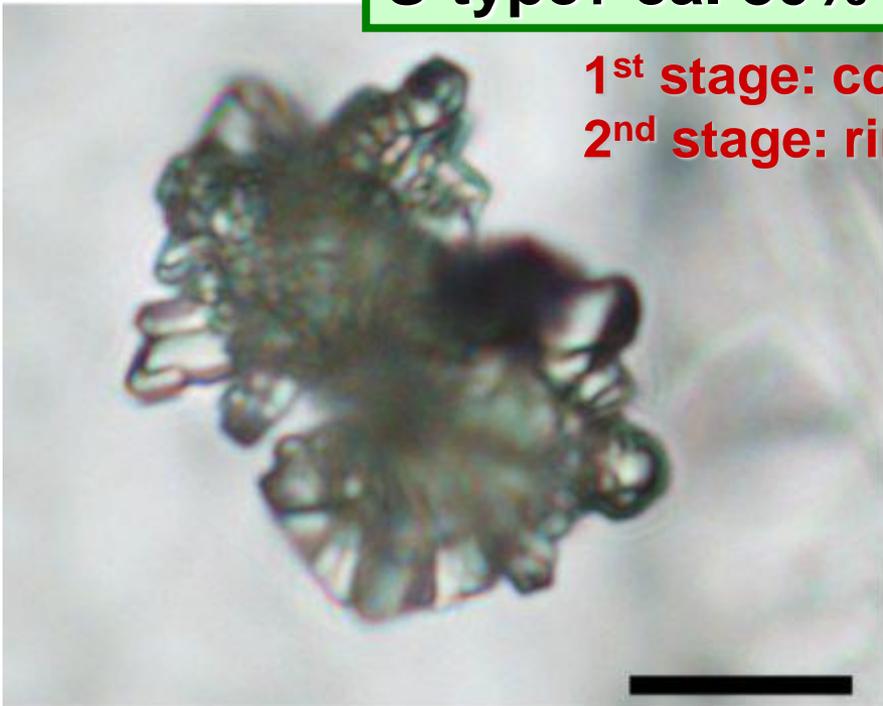
- Dia in maruyamaite
- No 2nd stage growth
- Small FWHM of Raman

Two stage growth in dolomite marble



S-type: ca. 80% in dolomite marble

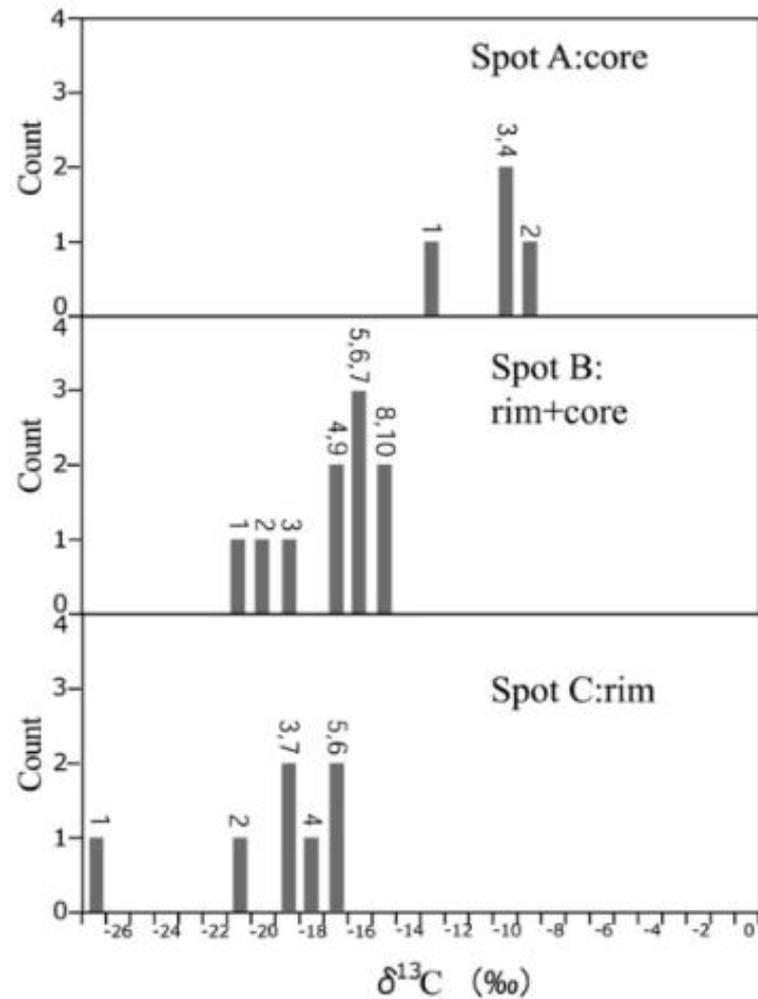
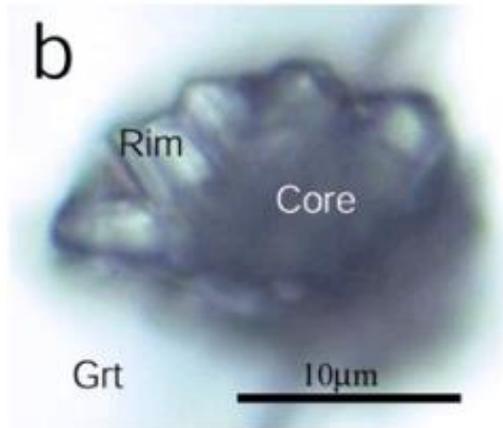
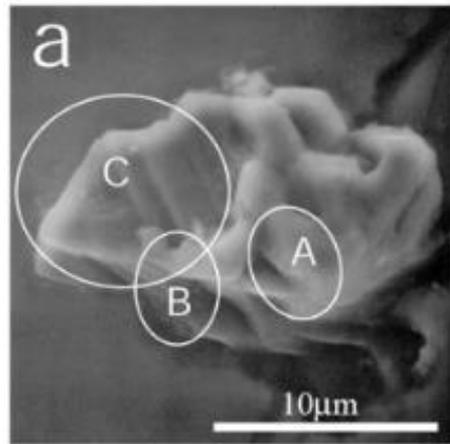
1st stage: core of S-type, R-type
2nd stage: rim of S-type, T-type



Scale bar: 10
micrometers

Two-stage growth of diamond

Carbon isotope of S-type microdiamond

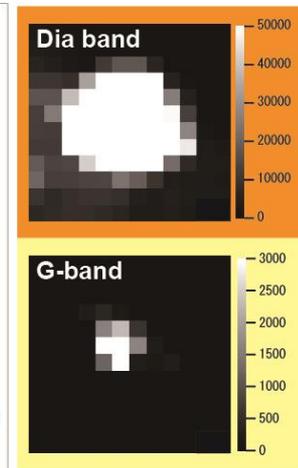
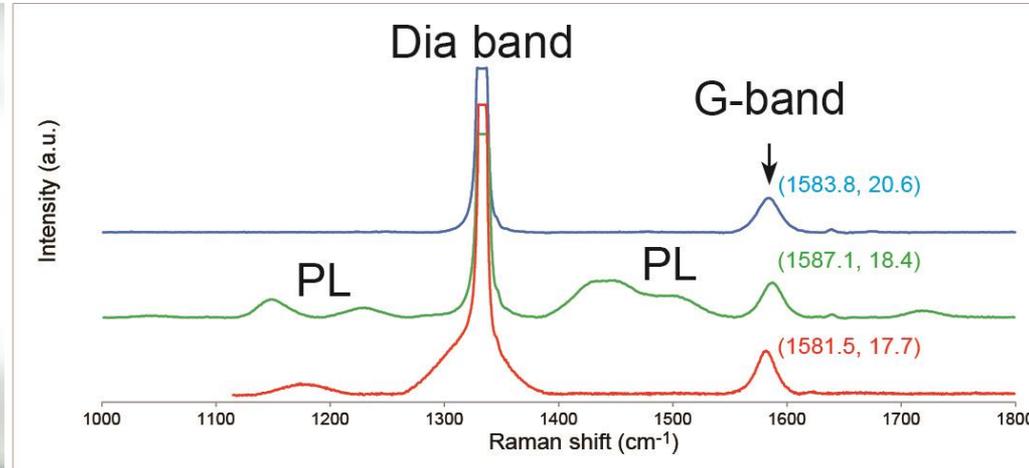
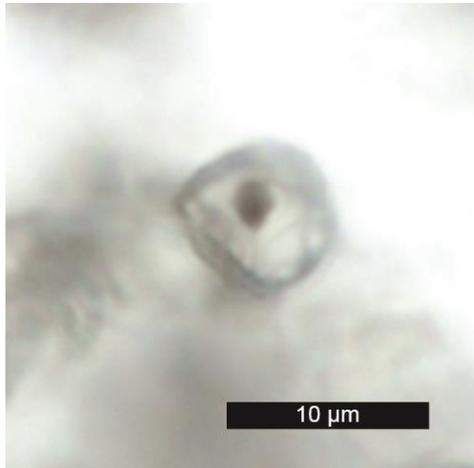
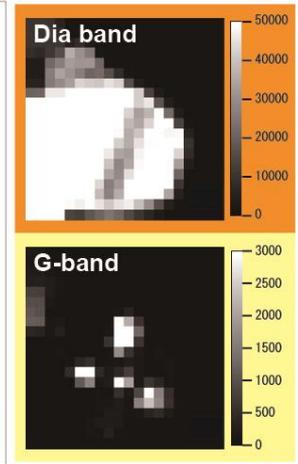
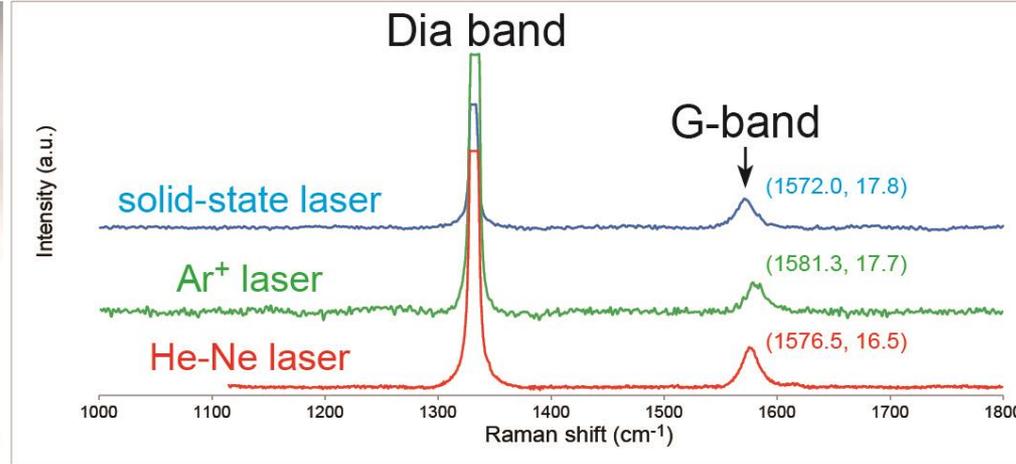
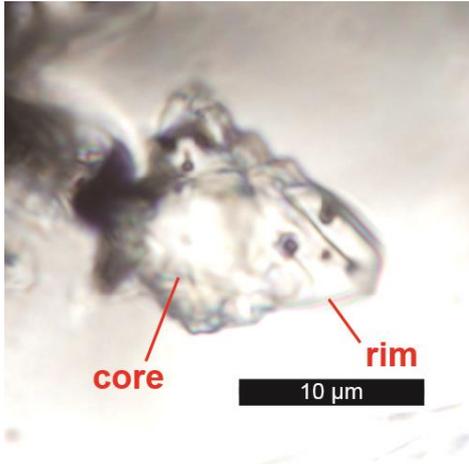


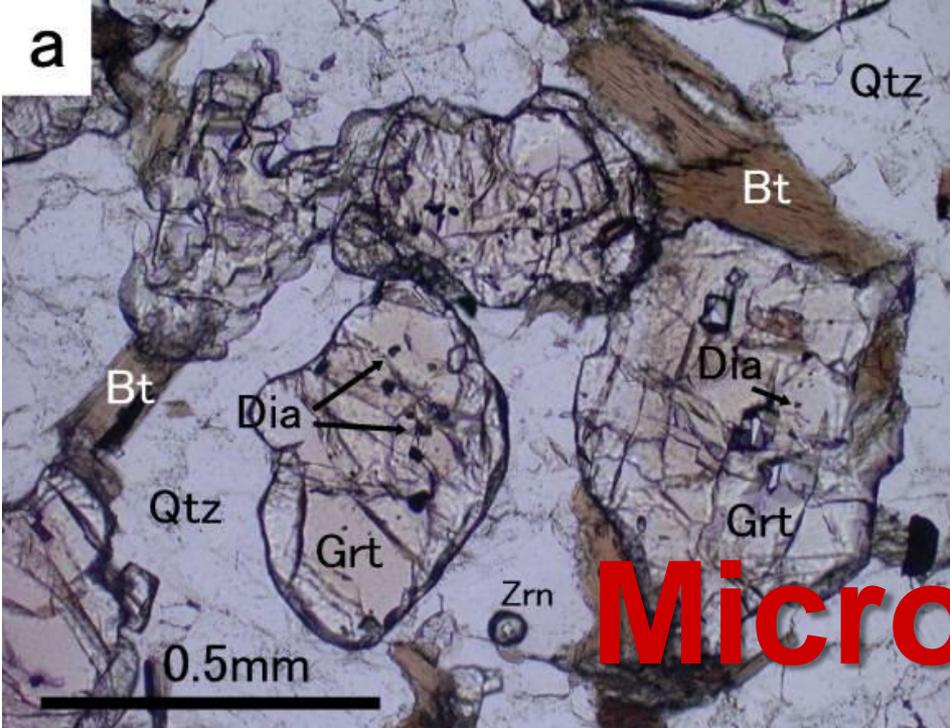
Core: $\delta^{13}\text{C} = -14$ to -9 ‰ **heavier**
Rim: $\delta^{13}\text{C} = -26$ to -15 ‰ **lighter**

R-type: $\delta^{13}\text{C} = -15$ to -8 ‰

sp^2 carbon in 2nd stage diamond

Relics of metastable intermediate C phase for diamond
from C-bearing H₂O-fluid

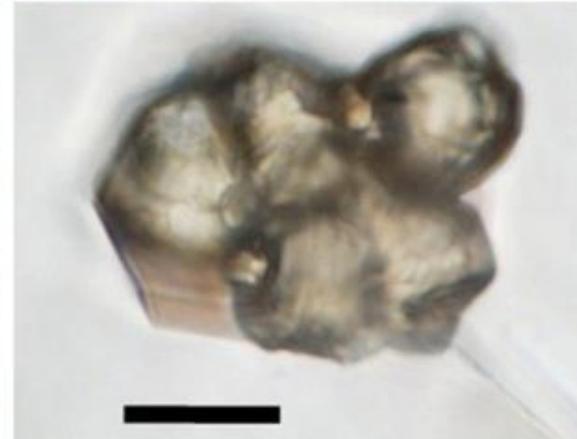
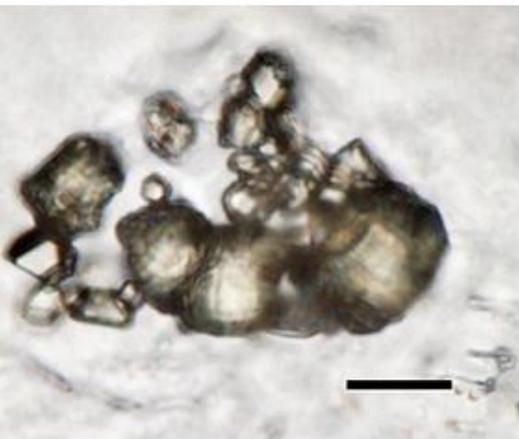
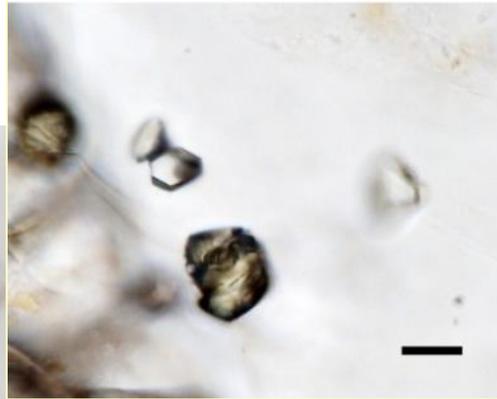
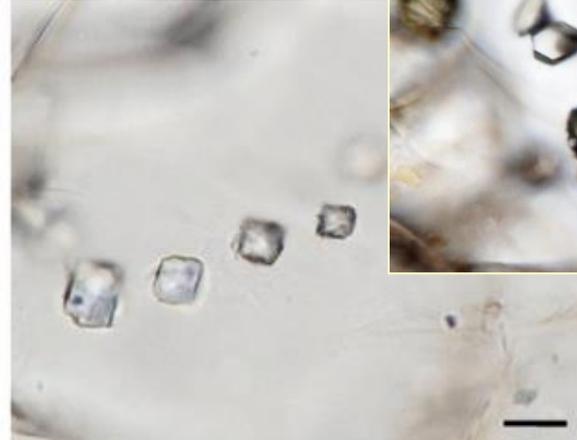
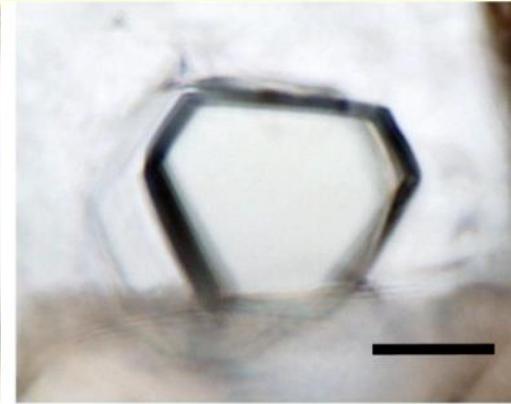
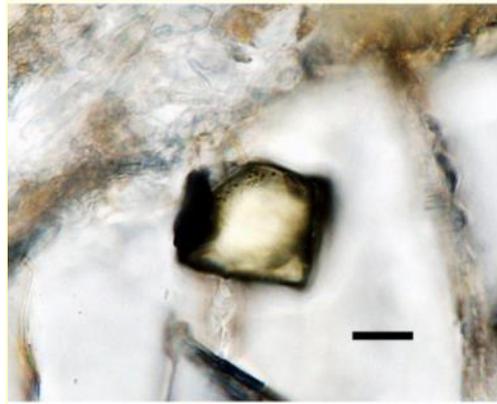




Microdiamonds in gneisses

- Abundant
 - But one order lower than in dolomite marble
- Variable morphologies
 - Granular, cubic, cubo-octahedral, spinel twin, etc.
- **No 2nd stage growth**
 - dissolution of diamond into H₂O fluid is possible.
- **Host rock gneisses are possible H₂O source and the light C isotope source**

Diamonds in Grt-Bt gneiss



Diamond picture: courtesy of H.P. Schertl

Diamond in Grt-Cpx rock

100 μm

- Minor amount
- Extremely large-grained: $> 100 \mu\text{m}$
- Find-grained Dia (new discovery: AGU2014F V13B-4779)
 - Cubic overgrowth on fine-grained
 - **Low nucleation rate and slow growth**
 - **Fine-grained Dia: a seed crystal**

Grt-Cpx rocks (Dia-bearing and Dia-free)

Products of strong metasomatism
of carbonate + silicate mixtures at UHP

Diamond-bearing



Grt + Cpx
Like "skarn"
Not eclogite

Diamond-free



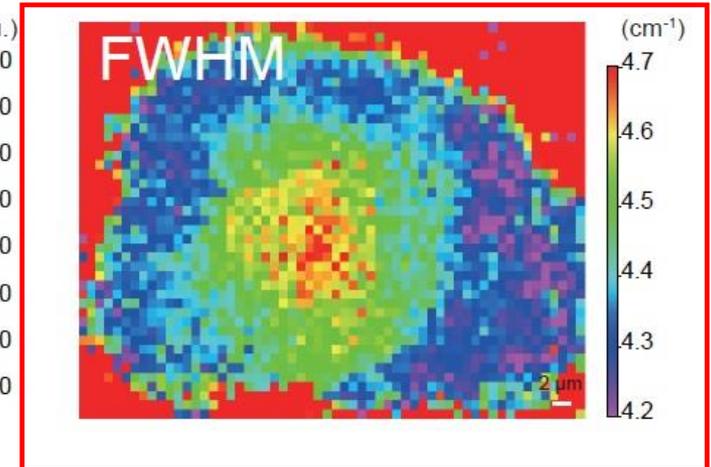
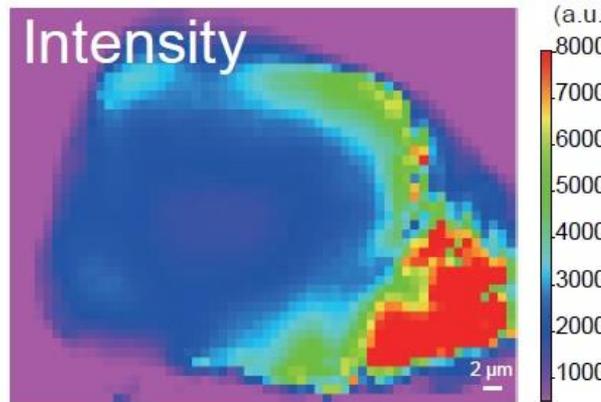
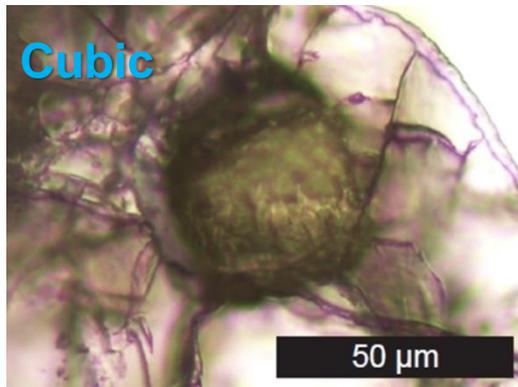
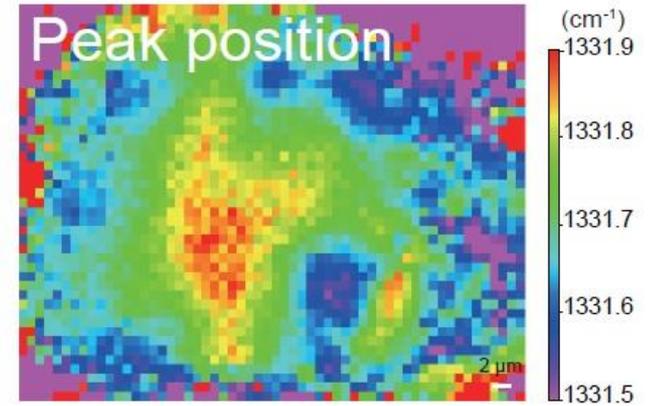
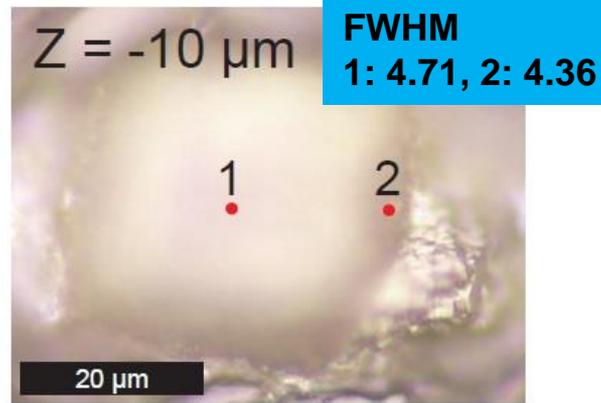
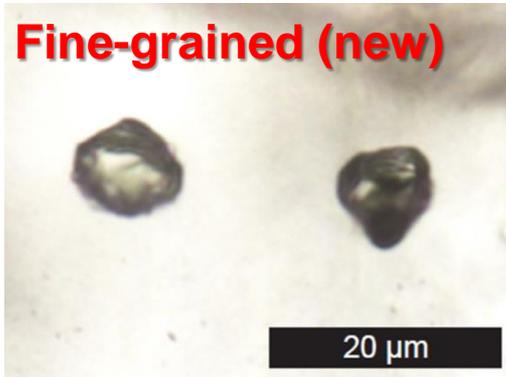
No Diamond
BUT **UHP**

First description:
Sobolev & Shatsky (1990)

Description:
Sakamaki & Ogasawara. (2014: IGR V.55)

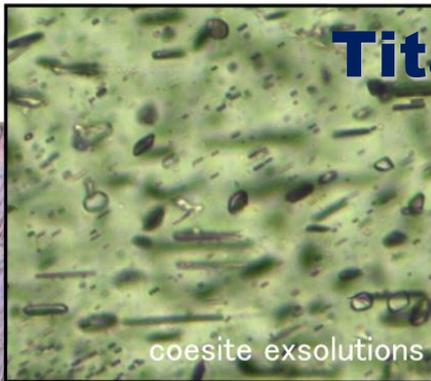
UHP evidence:
Coesite exsolution from supersilicic titanite

Large-grained cubic diamond overgrowth on fine-grained one

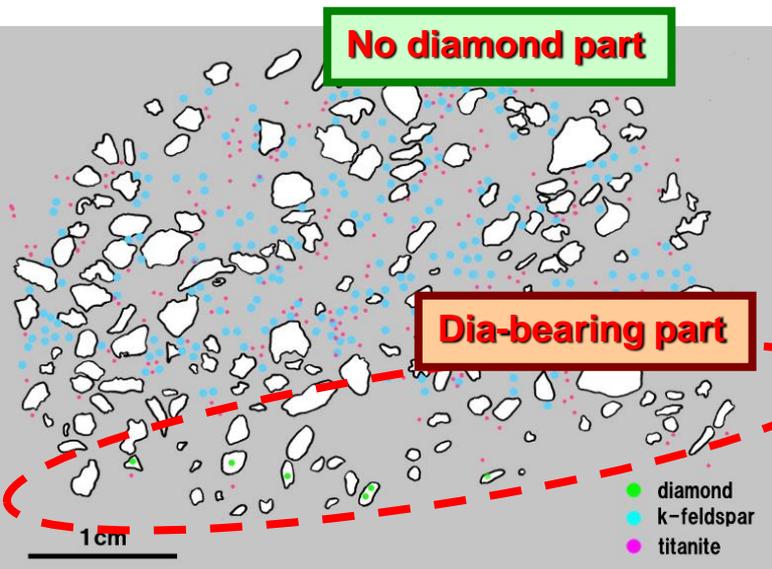
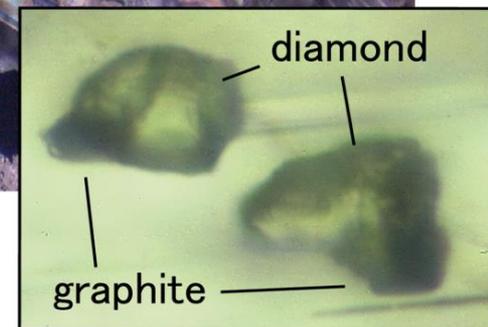
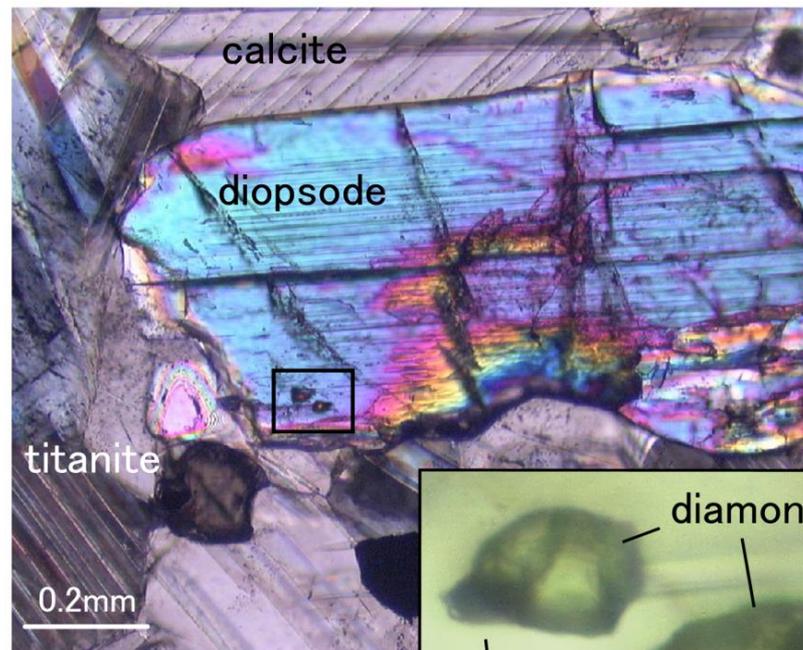
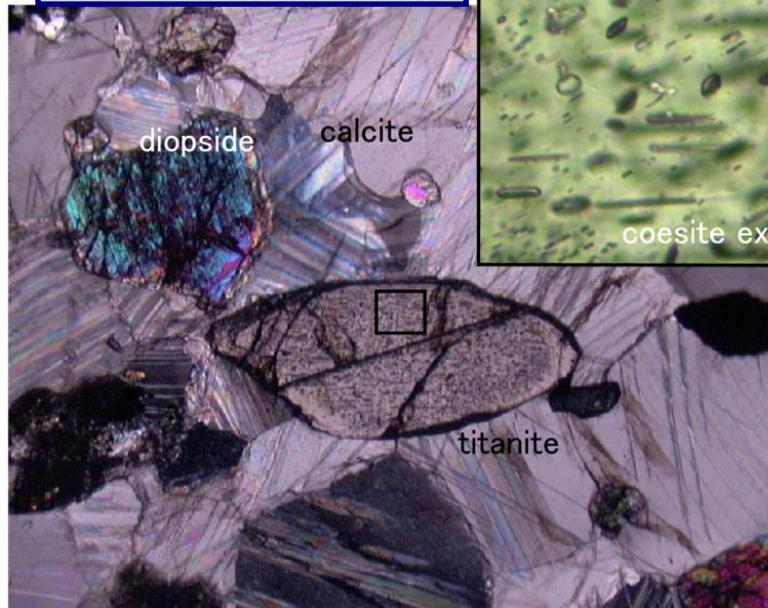


Titanite-bearing Calcite marble

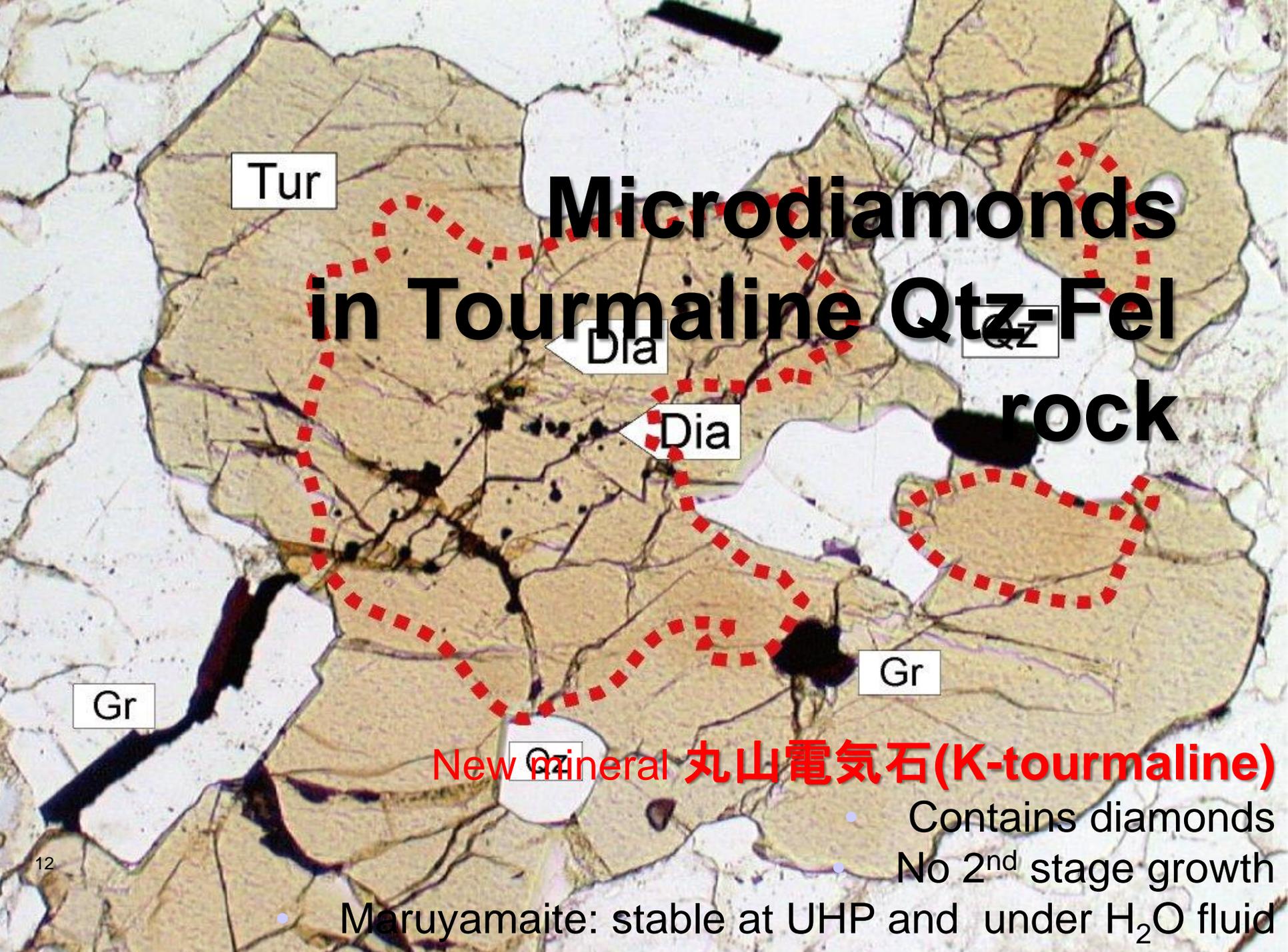
No diamond part



- Coesite exsolution in titanite
- **Supersilicic titanite**
- Min. P > 6 GPa
- Diopside with K-Fel Phe lamellae
- **XCO₂ of titanite stability**
 - extremely low (< 0.02)



- **Diamond: 61 grains**
 - in diopside
 - no 2nd stage growth



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Microdiamonds in Tourmaline Qtz-Fel rock

Dia

Qz

Dia

Gr

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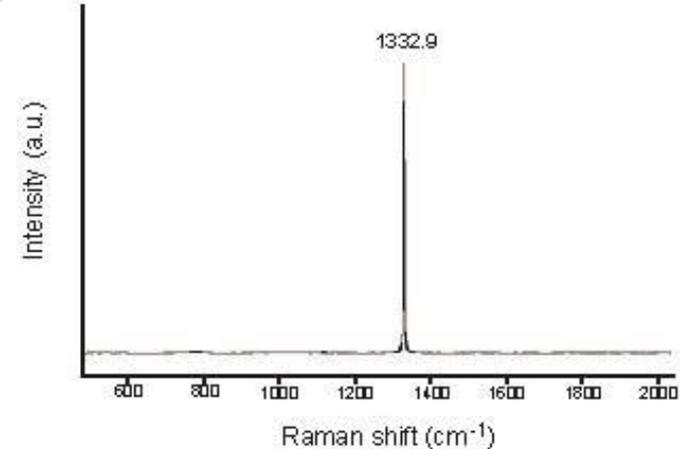
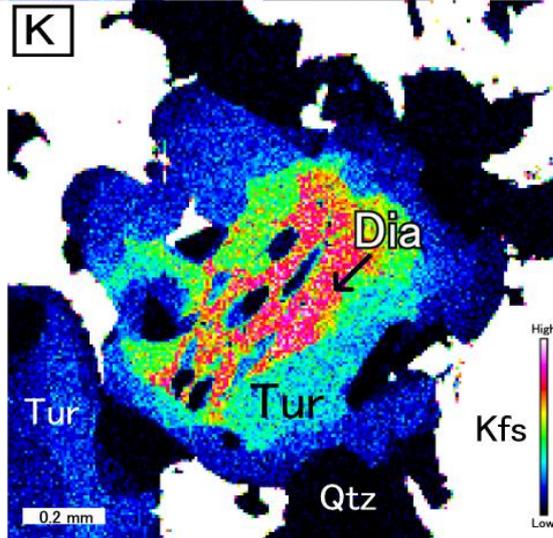
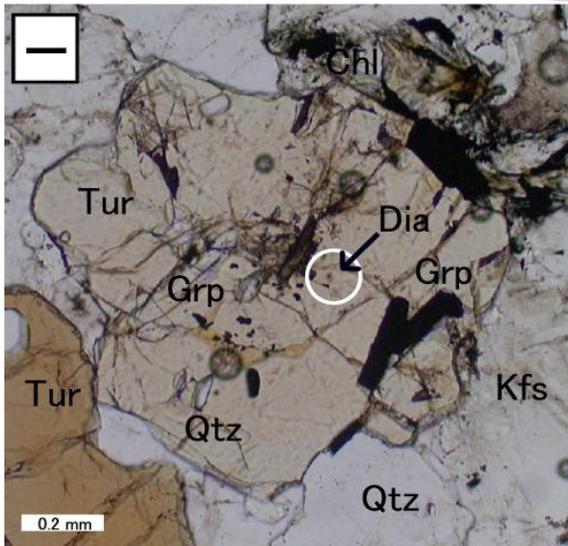
Qz

New mineral 丸山電気石(K-tourmaline)

- Contains diamonds
- No 2nd stage growth
- Maruyamaite: stable at UHP and under H₂O fluid

New mineral “maruyamaite”

(K-dominant tourmaline domain includes diamond)



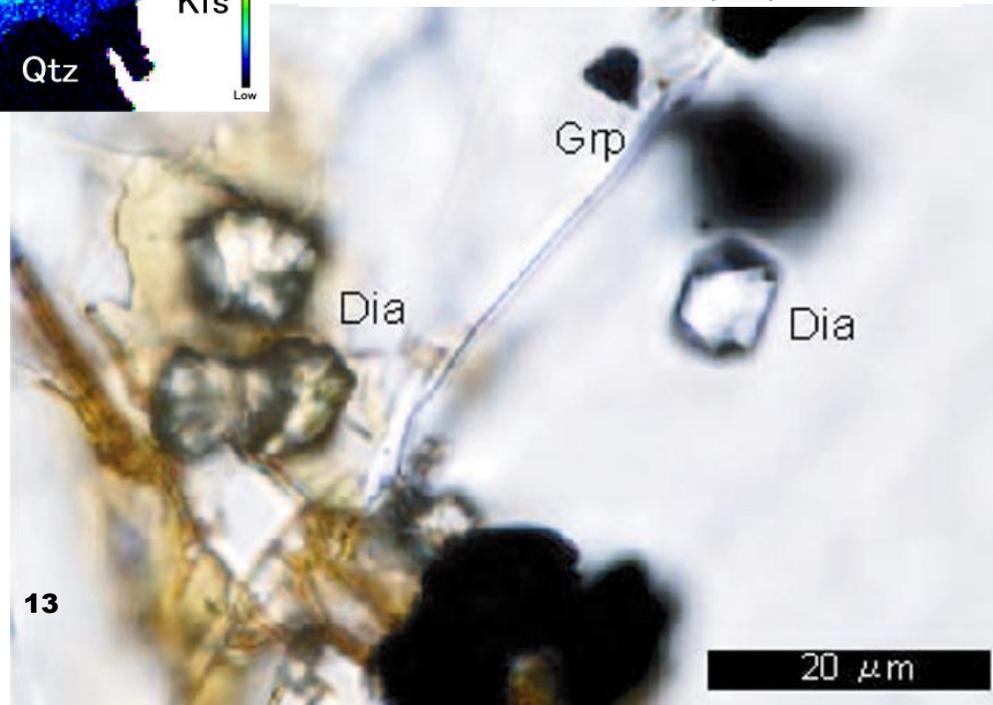
丸山電気石

IMA No. 2013-123

Min. Mag. Vol. 78, p. 550 (2014)

Berryman et al. (2014):

K-tourmaline is stable at UHP
and K-rich H₂O fluid



Evidence of H₂O fluid

Micro-FTIR spectra

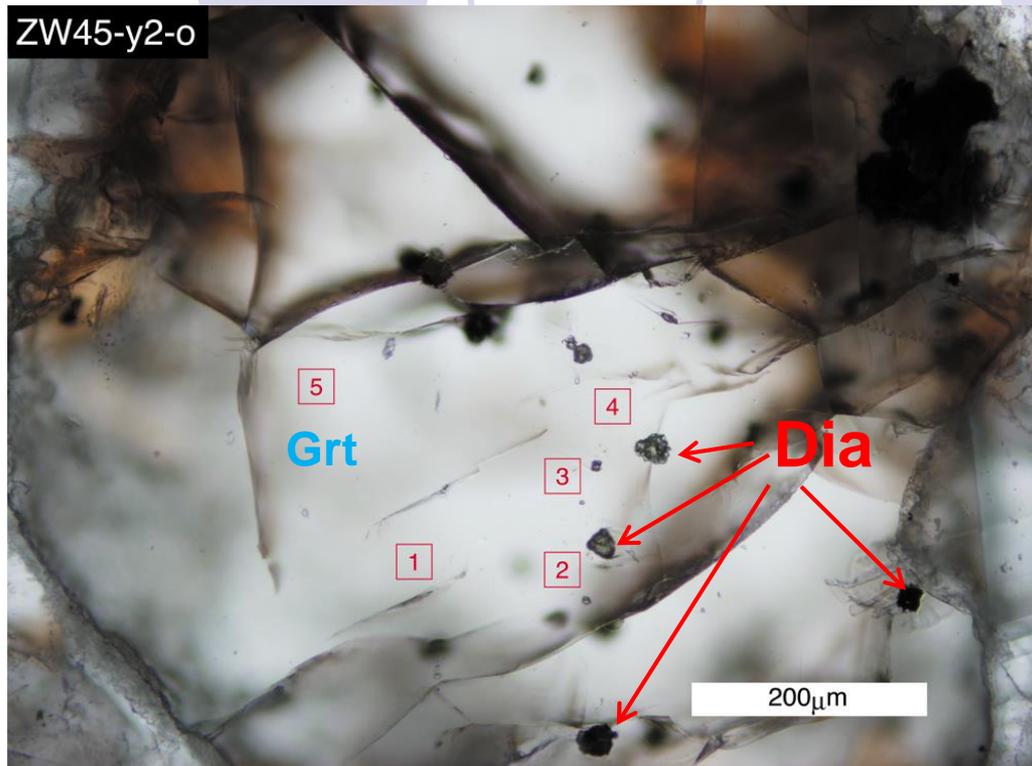
(OH) and H₂O in host garnet

(OH) and H₂O in host Cpx

H₂O in diamond (Grt-Cpx rock)

OH/H₂O in Grt in dolomite marble

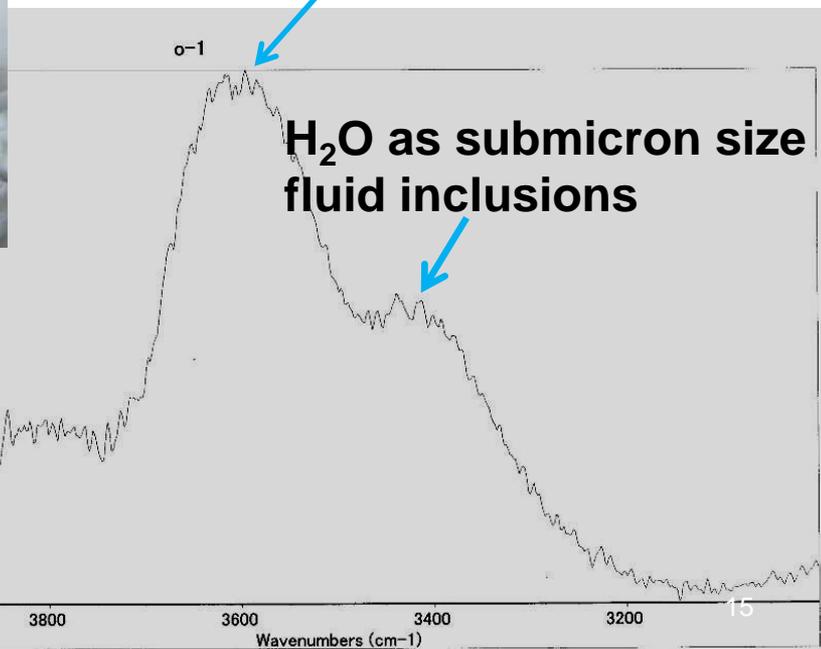
ZW45-y2-o



Micro-FTIR spectrum of garnet
(Yazaki, 2007: unpublished data)

FT-IR spectra
ZW45-y2-o: Spot no. 5

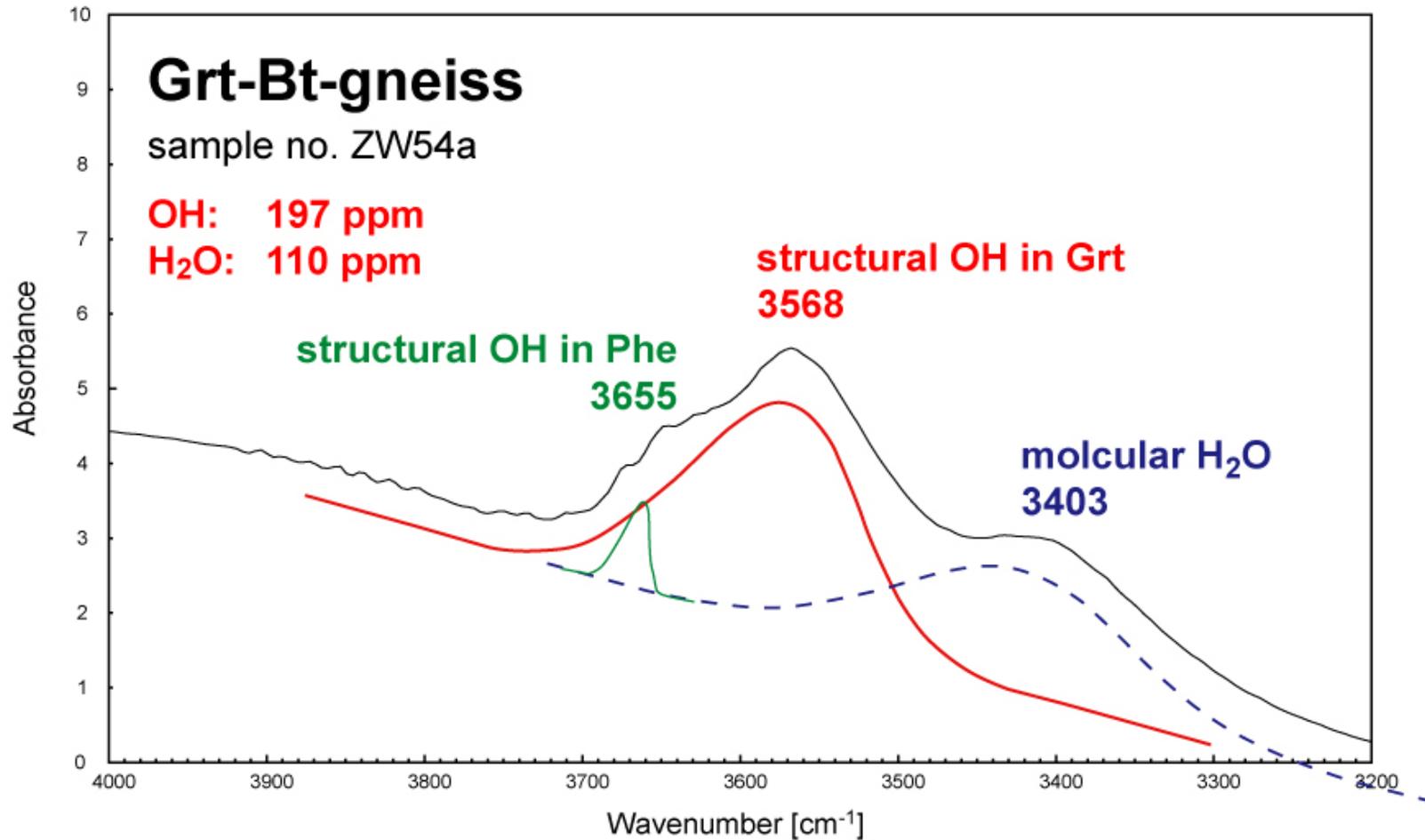
(OH)⁻ in Grt structure



Evidence of H₂O fluid

OH/H₂O in Grt in Grt-Bt gneiss

Micro FT-IR spectra

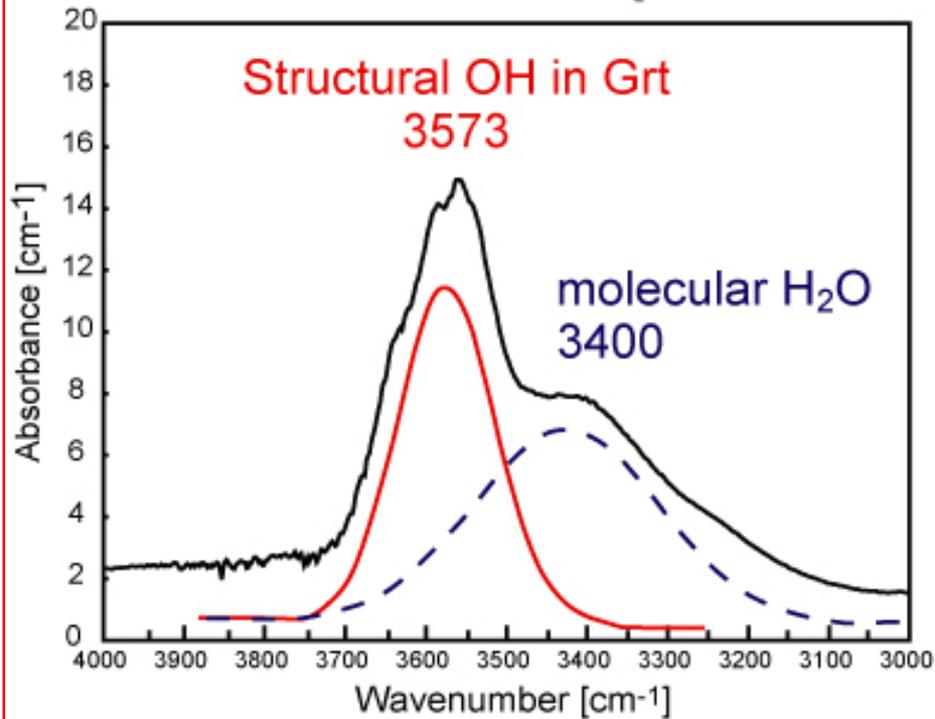


Total water (OH + H₂O) : 63-332 ppm

OH/H₂O in Grt in Grt-Cpx rocks

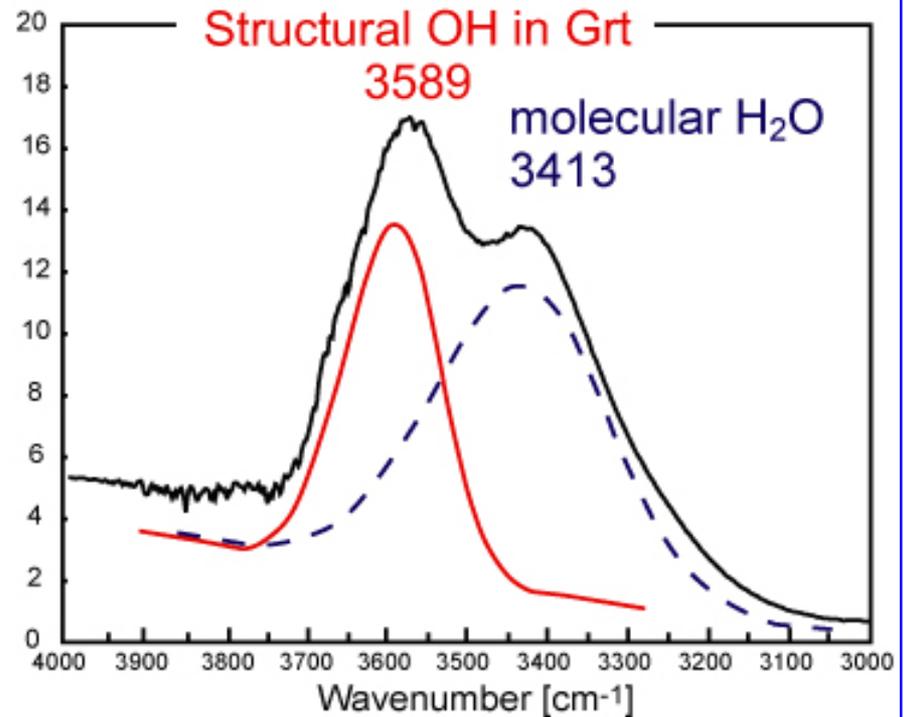
Micro FT-IR spectra

Dia-free Grt-Cpx Rock



OH: 761 [ppm wt. H₂O]
H₂O: 380 [ppm wt. H₂O]

Dia-bearing Grt-Cpx Rock

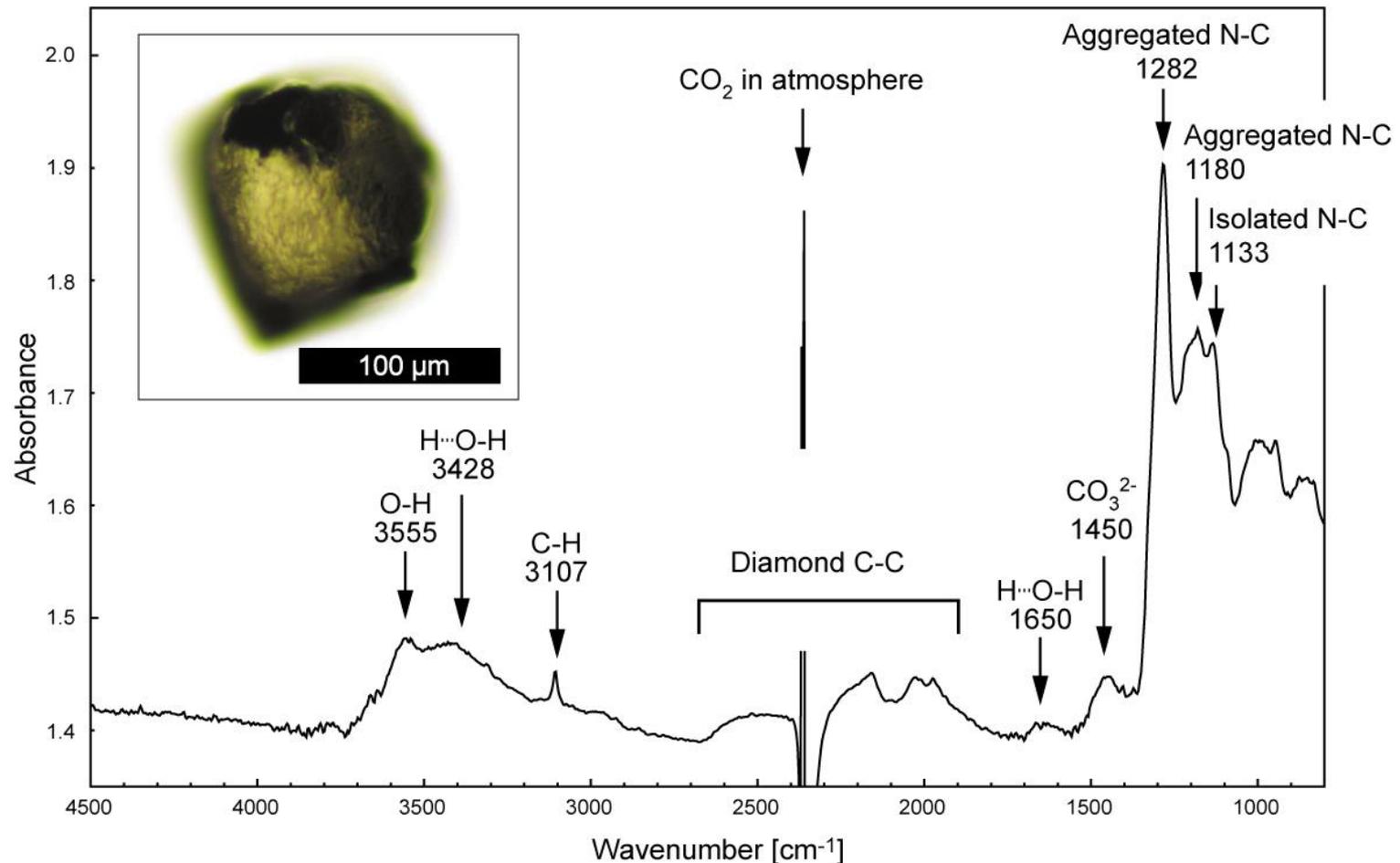


OH: 997 [ppm wt. H₂O]
H₂O: 1216 [ppm wt. H₂O]

Direct evidence for diamond formation in H₂O fluid

H₂O in diamond in Grt-Cpx rock

Micro FT-IR spectrum



The details will be presented at AGU2015F (V11C)
by Sakamaki, Ogasawara & Schertl

Conclusions

- Kokchetav metamorphic diamonds show diverse features
 - in abundance, distributions in host minerals and host rocks
 - in morphology, Raman, CL and PL spectra, C isotope, etc..
- Formations of these diamonds are complicated, but some may be explained by H₂O-fluid infiltration in subducted continental materials.
- The presence of H₂O fluid was confirmed in host minerals as OH and H₂O, and in diamond in Grt-Cpx rock.
- Some of the diamonds crystallized from C-bearing H₂O fluid:
 - 2nd stage growth (T-type and core of S-type) in dolomite marble
 - Cubic over growth (?) in Grt-Cpx rock
- Dissolution of diamond into H₂O fluid could be possible in some rocks without 2nd stage growth.
 - Grt-Bt gneiss, UHP calcite marble



Thank you for your attentions!