

1 **Tectonic evolution of syn- to late-orogenic sedimentary-volcanic basins in the central**
2 **Norwegian Caledonides**

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15 **Abstract:** We present new structural, geochemical, and U-Pb zircon data from syn- to late-
16 orogenic sedimentary-volcanic basins in the southwestern part of the Trondheim Nappe
17 Complex (TNC), central Norwegian Caledonides. In this area, a succession of E-MORB type
18 metabasalt, jasper, ribbon chert with associated sandstone and conglomerate, and green
19 siltstone is interpreted to represent volcanism and sedimentation in a hitherto little known
20 spreading-dominated tectonic environment. This environment is different from the supra-
21 subduction zone ophiolite setting dominating the Iapetus rock record elsewhere in the
22 Scandinavian Caledonides. This volcanic and sedimentary succession was overturned and
23 isoclinally folded in a pre-427 Ma orogenic phase. Post-427 Ma cross-bedded sandstones were
24 deposited on the eroded surface of the previously deformed rocks, representing a rare example
25 of a late Silurian or younger sedimentary basin within the Scandinavian Caledonides. The cross-
26 bedded sandstones are intercalated and/or overlain by post-427 Ma intermediate
27 volcanic/subvolcanic rocks of calc-alkaline composition, representing a hitherto unknown
28 volcanic phase within the TNC and elsewhere within the Scandinavian Caledonides. Their
29 particular geochemical signature could be the result of late-stage subduction zone volcanism
30 just prior to the onset of continent-continent collision between Baltica and Laurentia, or much
31 younger post-collisional extensional melting with inherited subduction signatures.

32 **Supplementary material:** Description of analytical methods and table with geochronological
33 data from LA-ICP-MS analysis of zircons are available at xx.

34 In his seminal paper on the Caledonian rock record, Wilson (1966) proposed the existence of a
35 Palaeozoic “proto-Atlantic” ocean, which further led him to propose the famous Wilson cycle,
36 describing the cyclic opening and closure of oceanic basins due to plate tectonic movements.
37 Wilson’s proto-Atlantic ocean was later termed Iapetus (Harland & Gayer 1972). This ocean
38 opened due to the break-up of Rodinia in the Late Neoproterozoic, and closed during the
39 convergence and final collision of Baltica, Laurentia, and Avalonia from the Late Cambrian to
40 the Devonian, leading to the formation of the Caledonian orogen (e.g. Gee *et al.* 2008; Corfu *et*
41 *al.* 2014). Based on detailed palaeontological, stratigraphic, geochemical, geochronological,
42 and paleomagnetic data from Iapetus remnants preserved within the Caledonian orogen, a
43 continuously better understanding of the opening and closure history of this important ancient
44 oceanic basin has evolved (e.g. Neuman 1984; Dunning & Pedersen 1988; Torsvik & Trench
45 1991; Pedersen *et al.* 1992; Harper *et al.* 1996; Mac Niocaill *et al.* 1997; Domeier 2016).

46 One particular area where large remnants of the Iapetus basin are preserved and important
47 aspects of its evolution have been resolved, is within the Trondheim Nappe Complex (TNC) of
48 the central Norwegian Caledonides (Fig. 1). Within the Løkken-Vassfjellet-Bymarka area in
49 the western part of this nappe complex (Fig. 2), ophiolitic fragments (here referred to as the
50 LVB ophiolites), were deformed and obducted onto an unknown landmass during an early
51 Ordovician tectonic event (the “Trondheim disturbance”, e.g. Høltedahl 1920; Vogt 1945),
52 representing an important orogenic phase prior to the final Caledonian (Scandian) continent-
53 continent collision (Roberts 2003). Unconformably overlying the deformed LVB ophiolites,
54 the sedimentary and volcanic rocks of the Lower and Upper Hovin and Horg Groups were used
55 to derive a model for subsequent volcanic arc development and basin infill, possibly stretching
56 into the Middle Silurian (e.g. Bruton & Bockelie 1980; Grenne & Roberts 1998; Gasser *et al.*
57 2016).

58 Despite its central position within the Scandinavian Caledonides and its importance for
59 reconstructing the closure history of the Iapetus Ocean, several aspects of the tectonic evolution
60 of the western TNC are far from resolved. These are in particular: (1) Are all major metabasaltic
61 units of the area correlatable ophiolite fragments that represent one phase of oceanic crust
62 production? And (2) are all sedimentary successions exposed within this area coeval deposits
63 and part of the same Hovin-Horg basin system? Answering these questions is mainly hampered

64 by the limited geographical extent of detailed geological investigations in the western TNC,
65 which so far has been concentrated mainly in the northwestern parts between Løkken, Støren,
66 and Trondheim (Fig. 2a).

67 The large area to the southwest, from Ilfjellet to Hjerkinn (Fig. 2a), has so far received very
68 little attention and the age and tectonic setting of the metabasaltic and metasedimentary rocks
69 in this area are unknown. Nevertheless, on published large-scale maps, these metabasaltic rocks
70 have been correlated with the LVB ophiolites, and the metasedimentary rocks with the Hovin
71 and Horg Groups (Fig. 2a; Wolff 1976; Nilsen & Wolff 1989). Rohr-Torp (1972) also suggested
72 that the entire metabasaltic-metavolcanic sequence in this area lies in an overturned position
73 (Fig. 2b). The aim of this contribution is to provide detailed field observations, and geochemical
74 and geochronological data from a key area covering both the metabasaltic and sedimentary
75 units within this southwestern part of the TNC: the Dugurdsknappen area (Fig. 2a). Our results
76 have implications for previous correlations and point to a more complex evolution of Iapetus
77 closure in the western TNC than previously envisaged.

78 **Geological setting**

79 The Trondheim Nappe Complex (Figs. 1, 2a) is preserved within a large-scale NNE-SSW
80 trending structural depression in central Norway and consists of various volcanic and
81 sedimentary units arranged in subparallel belts (Fig. 2a; Roberts & Wolff 1981; Gee *et al.* 1985;
82 Grenne *et al.* 1999). The central belt consists of the sediment-dominated, highly deformed and
83 relatively high-grade Gula Complex (Fig. 2a). To the west and east there are less deformed and
84 generally lower grade volcanic and sedimentary belts commonly referred to as the Støren and
85 Meråker Nappes, respectively (Fig. 2a; Gee *et al.* 1985).

86 The western belt, which is relevant for this contribution, has traditionally been divided in two
87 lithologically contrasting parts (Fig. 2a): (1) Metabasaltic sequences (including the LVB
88 ophiolites) collectively assigned to the so-called Støren Group (e.g. Wolff 1979; Gee *et al.*
89 1985), in the following referred to as the Støren Group *sensu lato* (*s.l.*), and (2) an overlying
90 sediment-dominated succession subdivided into the Hovin and Horg Groups (e.g. Vogt 1945;
91 Wolff 1979). The LVB ophiolites, constituting the northwestern parts of the Støren Group *s.l.*
92 (Fig. 2a), include gabbros, sheeted dykes and pillow lavas (Grenne *et al.* 1980, Heim *et al.*
93 1987; Grenne 1989) dated at 487-479 Ma (Roberts *et al.* 2002; Slagstad *et al.* 2013). Based
94 primarily on volcanic geochemistry, these ophiolites are thought to represent fragments of a
95 marginal basin in a supra-subduction zone setting (Grenne 1989; Grenne *et al.* 1999; Slagstad

96 2003). By contrast, recent work by Grenne & Gasser (2017) shows that the southeastern belt of
97 metabasalts and thin intercalated metasediments running from Ilfjellet through the town of
98 Støren and northwards to Mostamarka (Fig. 2a), referred to in this paper as the Støren Group
99 *sensu stricto* (*s.s.*), is lithologically and geochemically different from the LVB ophiolites, and
100 hence may represent a separate tectonic setting. How this Støren Group *ss* relates to the
101 metabasalts and metasedimentary rocks south of Ilfjellet, is unknown at present.

102 The thick succession of conglomerates, sandstones, shales, limestones, and intercalated
103 volcanic rocks assigned to the Hovin and Horg Groups (Fig. 2a) lies unconformably above the
104 metabasaltic and partly ophiolitic sequences, separated by an assumed orogenic event originally
105 referred to by Vogt (1945) as the “Trondheim Disturbance”. Various stratigraphic schemes
106 (e.g., Chaloupsky 1970; Oftedahl 1980; Oftedahl & Prestvik 1985; Walsh 1986, Gasser *et al.*
107 2016) have been proposed since Vogt’s (1945) original subdivision of this ‘post-Støren’
108 sedimentary and volcanic succession. In the lower parts, emplacement of felsic and intermediate
109 rocks at about 468-467 Ma indicate volcanic arc development subsequent to accretion of the
110 LVB ophiolites (Grenne & Roberts 1998; Roberts *et al.* 2002; Slagstad *et al.* 2013). Middle
111 Ordovician (*c.* 463-467 Ma) fossils in the Hølonde limestone show Laurentian affinities
112 (Neumann & Bruton 1989; Harper *et al.* 1996) and are coeval with the extrusion of intermediate
113 volcanic rocks (Bruton & Bockelie 1980) with a subduction-related, shoshonitic affinity
114 (Grenne & Roberts 1998). Upper Ordovician (Late Caradoc to Early Ashgill) fossils (Neumann
115 *et al.* 1997) are found in a part of the sequence that also contains extensive rhyolites (Roberts
116 *et al.* 1984), and recent studies of detrital zircon in sandstones and conglomerates indicate that
117 the stratigraphy extends well into the Silurian (<430 Ma; Gasser *et al.* 2016).

118 A 1:250.000 scale map of the presently studied area (Nilsen & Wolff 1989) shows a succession
119 of ‘green banded tuffite and green phyllite’ intercalated with metabasaltic volcanic rocks,
120 interpreted as a correlative of the Støren Group *s.l.* to the north, as well as a metasedimentary
121 succession of ‘green greywacke and shale’ that has been loosely correlated with the Hovin
122 groups (Fig. 2a; Nilsen & Wolff 1989). Rohr-Torp (1972) interpreted a conglomerate between
123 the metavolcanic and the metasedimentary succession as representing an erosional contact, and,
124 based on limited way-up observations he considered the entire succession to be inverted and
125 folded into upright folds (Fig. 2b).

126 **Geology of the Dugurdsknappen area**

127 Our recent mapping shows two major units within the Dugurdsknappen area, separated by a
128 major unconformity: (1) strongly deformed metabasalts, cherts, and siliciclastic rocks, overlain
129 by (2) less deformed siliciclastic and intermediate volcanic and or subvolcanic rocks (in the
130 following referred to as just intermediate volcanic rocks; Fig. 3).

131 *Lithologies below the unconformity*

132 The metabasaltic rocks below the unconformity are dominated by pillow lavas (Figs. 3, 4a) and
133 massive flows, as well as small pockets of gabbro and zones of mafic lavas with a bleached and
134 altered appearance (Fig. 3). Most pillow structures are strongly deformed; however, local well
135 preserved pillows indicate way up towards a succession of ribbon chert and siltstone (Fig. 3).
136 There are also accumulations of volcanoclastic deposits composed of basaltic material,
137 particularly towards the chert. Between metabasalts and ribbon chert, local accumulations of
138 jasper (Figs. 3a) are interpreted to mark the stratigraphic top of basaltic lava flows. The
139 overlying succession of ribbon chert (Fig. 4b) has intercalated beds of immature sandstone and
140 light-coloured polymictic conglomerate (Fig. 4c). Stratigraphically upwards, the ribbon chert
141 grades into silty chert and further up into green siltstone (Fig. 3), indicating a gradually
142 decreasing chert production.

143 *Lithologies above the unconformity*

144 A green cross-bedded sandstone, typically medium- to coarse-grained and poorly sorted, is
145 exposed directly above the unconformity (Fig. 3a). Near its base, it contains abundant, scattered,
146 up to 10 cm large rounded clasts of felsic plutonic rocks and quartzite. Locally, there are also
147 denser-packed conglomeratic layers containing angular chert clasts (Figs. 3, 4d). Further up
148 from the unconformity, the sandstone shows well-preserved cross-bedding and occurrences of
149 trough cross-bedding (Figs. 3, 4e). Intermediate volcanic rocks appear as sheets in the
150 sandstones above the unconformity and as dykes cutting the underlying sequence (Figs. 3, 4f).
151 These massive, light greenish igneous rocks have a porphyritic texture with large biotite
152 phenocrysts in a fine-grained, light matrix (Fig. 4g).

153 *Deformation and metamorphism*

154 Below the unconformity, the map pattern defines a large-scale, upright, isoclinal fold structure
155 (Fig. 3a, b). Measurements of bedding planes, observed mostly in ribbon chert and siliciclastic
156 rocks, scatter along a great circle indicating that the fold axis of this large-scale fold plunges S-
157 SE (Fig. 5a). Measurements of outcrop-scale fold axes below the unconformity scatter

158 considerably and plunge moderately SE to SW (Fig. 5b). Observations within the ribbon chert
159 (Fig. 4h) show that tight to isoclinal folds with axes plunging to the S-SE are refolded by folds
160 with axes plunging to the SW, indicating that the outcrop-scale folds belong to two distinct fold
161 phases; S-SE trending F2 folds and SW trending F3 folds (Fig. 3a). All units below the
162 unconformity show a prominent, moderately SE-dipping spaced to penetrative foliation, which
163 is axial planar to the SW-trending F3 folds (Fig. 5c) and cuts obliquely through the large-scale
164 isoclinal fold structure (Fig. 3a). No evidence of an older foliation related to the SE-plunging
165 F2 folds has been observed.

166 The general map pattern shows that the base of the cross-bedded sandstone cuts obliquely
167 through the isoclinally folded succession below, demonstrating that the boundary represents a
168 major unconformity (Fig. 3). However, the unconformity and the units above are folded and
169 foliated as well: bedding planes above the unconformity scatter along a great circle indicating
170 a large-scale fold axis plunging moderately S-SW (Fig. 5d), consistent with measured axes of
171 outcrop-scale folds (Fig. 5e), and in accordance with the F3 fold phase. The outcrop-scale folds
172 are mainly open to close, with SE-dipping axial planes and a dominant NW vergence (Figs. 4i,
173 5f). Both the sandstone and the volcanic rocks show a spaced to penetrative foliation dipping
174 SE, axial planar to the SW-trending F3 folds (Fig. 5f). The intensity of folding and foliation
175 increases towards and southwards along the unconformity, resulting in subvertical bedding and
176 foliation orientations on both sides, making it locally difficult to identify the unconformable
177 relationship (Fig. 3c).

178 The similarity in orientation of SW-plunging, NW-verging F3 folds with associated axial planar
179 foliation both below and above the unconformity indicates that this folding phase post-dates the
180 formation of the unconformity. The spaced to penetrative foliation is associated with
181 greenschist facies metamorphism, indicated by chlorite/epidote and biotite/sericite mineral
182 growth along foliation planes in metabasalts and siliciclastic rocks, masking any potential pre-
183 existing metamorphic break across the unconformity.

184 **Geochemistry of igneous rocks**

185 Whole-rock major and trace element geochemistry of igneous rocks was obtained from both
186 sides of the unconformity. The samples include seven metabasaltic, one gabbroic, and one
187 intermediate dyke from below the unconformity, and four intermediate volcanic rocks from
188 above the unconformity, all analysed by XRF and laser ablation ICP-MS (Table 1; Fig. 3a); see
189 Supplementary material for detailed analytical techniques. All metabasaltic and gabbroic

190 samples from below the unconformity have typical basaltic major element compositions, with
191 SiO₂ values ranging from 47.6-50.4 wt% (Table 1) and <53% when recalculated on a volatile-
192 free basis (Fig. 6). The intermediate volcanic rocks from above the unconformity and the
193 intermediate dyke from below the unconformity have SiO₂ values ranging from 52.5 to 58 wt%
194 (Table 1) and plot as andesitic rocks on a volatile-free basis (~57-61% SiO₂; Fig. 6).

195 Trace element concentrations from all the igneous samples are shown in MORB (Mid Ocean
196 Ridge Basalt)-normalized multi-element plots (Fig. 7a) including only high field strength
197 elements (HFSE), which are considered stable during greenschist facies metamorphism (Pearce
198 1982). The analysed samples fall into two categories: (1) Metabasalts and gabbro below the
199 unconformity show a negative slope from Th (most incompatible HFSE) to Hf, followed by a
200 continued negative gentle slope from Sm to Yb (Fig. 7a), a pattern typical of oceanic rift related
201 rocks (e.g. Pearce 1982). (2) The intermediate volcanic rocks above the unconformity and the
202 dyke from below show strong enrichment of Th and a characteristic negative Ta and Nb
203 anomaly (Fig. 7a), a pattern that is comparable to those of typical calc-alkaline, volcanic arc
204 rocks (Pearce 1982; Fig. 7a).

205 Chondrite-normalized rare earth element (REE) patterns (Fig. 7b) again show two distinct
206 trends. (1) The metabasalts and gabbro below the unconformity show moderate enrichment of
207 the light REE (LREE) with a fairly even and gentle negative slope towards the heavy REE
208 (HREE), typical for enriched MORB (E-MORB) basalts (Fig. 7b; Winter 2010). Such REE
209 patterns exist in basalts of different tectonic settings, but are particularly common in marginal
210 basin basalts (Wilson 1989, p. 236). (2) The intermediate volcanic rocks above the
211 unconformity and the related dyke show a stronger LREE enrichment and a steeper negative
212 slope from La to Gd (Fig. 7b).

213 A Ti-Zr-Y ternary plot (Fig. 8a) discriminates particularly well between within-plate basalts on
214 the one hand and arc tholeiites, ocean floor tholeiites, and calc-alkaline arc basalts on the other
215 hand; the latter three types being partly overlapping and less distinctive (Pearce and Cann
216 1973). All metabasalts and gabbro samples from below the unconformity plot in the field of
217 ocean-floor basalts, while the intermediate volcanic rocks above the unconformity and the
218 intermediate dyke plot in the calc-alkali basalt field. A Zr vs-Ti plot (Fig. 8b, Pearce and Cann
219 1973) is consistent with the above, showing that the metabasalts and gabbro all plot within the
220 MORB field, while the intermediate volcanic rocks and the dyke plot in the calc-alkali field
221 (Fig. 8b). The ternary Th-Ta-Hf discrimination diagram of Wood (1980), which discriminates

222 particularly well between arc-related and different types of rift-related volcanic rocks even for
223 intermediate to felsic compositions, shows that the metabasalts and the gabbro have E-MORB
224 basaltic compositions typical of oceanic rift settings. In marked contrast, the intermediate
225 volcanic rocks and the dyke have a clear volcanic arc affinity (Fig. 8c) consistent with the calc-
226 alkaline compositions noted above.

227 **Geochronology**

228 Two samples were collected for zircon geochronology in order to constrain the depositional age
229 of the rocks above the unconformity. The zircons were separated using conventional magnetic
230 and heavy liquid techniques, and analysed for U-Pb concentrations using laser ablation ICP-
231 MS; see Supplementary material for detailed analytical techniques.

232 The first sample, EST_12, is a light coloured coarse-grained tonalitic clast, rounded and about
233 10 cm in diameter, taken from the lower conglomeratic part of the cross-bedded sandstone (Fig.
234 3). A total of 136 zircons were found, comprising relatively large (up to about 150 μm) grains
235 of clear to light yellow colour with abundant fractures and inclusions. Cathodoluminescence
236 (CL) images reveal that most of the zircons have a very dark core surrounded by a relatively
237 broad and light coloured rim with varied zoning (Fig. 9a). For this sample a total of 25 analyses
238 were done on 23 grains; 15 analyses on the cores and 10 on the rims. Of the 25 analyses, 11
239 core analyses had very high uranium content, causing the detector of the ELEMENT 2/XR-
240 instrument to switch from a counting mode to an analogue mode, resulting in poor linearity
241 between low- and very high count-rates, and overestimation of the U/Pb age. The analyses
242 derived in analogue mode were therefore omitted, together with two analyses that were >10%
243 discordant. The remaining analyses include four from the cores and eight from the rims (Fig.
244 9b). All these data overlap and give a concordia age of 485 ± 4 Ma, which we interpret as the
245 crystallisation age of the tonalitic clast and hence a maximum age for the deposition of the
246 sandstone.

247 The second sample, EST_112, is from the cross-bedded sandstone (Fig. 3). A total of 146
248 zircons were picked; generally clear and well preserved, and up to 200 μm long with mainly
249 euhedral shape and slightly rounded edges. The CL images revealed a large variety of zoned
250 grains, in addition to a few with unzoned, patchy, or a core-rim structure (Fig. 10a). Of the 100
251 analyses performed on 100 grains, 10 show >10% discordance and were discarded, while the
252 remaining 90 analyses are <10% discordant. There are three main age groups, with hiatuses in
253 between (Fig. 10b). The smallest and oldest group consists of three Palaeoproterozoic and two

254 Archean grains. The largest group includes ages of ~900-2000 Ma, with a big peak at 1100 Ma
255 and smaller ones at ~900 and 1740 Ma, and a hiatus at ~1260-1300 Ma. The youngest group is
256 ~420-500 Ma, with smaller peaks (minimum 3 grains) at around 430, 460 and 490 Ma, and
257 hiatuses at ~430-440 and 465-470 Ma (Fig. 10c). The youngest population is estimated from
258 the youngest significant peak comprising five overlapping concordant grains, according to
259 recommendations of Dickinson & Gehrels (2009). This group has a concordia age of 427 ± 3
260 Ma (Fig. 10d), which represents a conservative estimate for the maximum depositional age of
261 the sandstone (Dickinson & Gehrels 2009).

262 **Tectonic evolution of the Dugurdsknappen area**

263 *1. Basaltic volcanism with subsequent chert and siltstone sedimentation*

264 The geochemistry of metabasalts and gabbro below the unconformity points to E-MORB
265 compositions, with no island arc or subduction zone signatures (Figs. 7, 8). This suggests that
266 these rocks formed along a spreading ridge, in either a major ocean or a marginal basin. White
267 ribbon cherts are found as thin layers and pockets within the metabasaltic unit and as a thick
268 package above. Their presence both between and above the metabasalts indicates that chert
269 sedimentation occurred both during quiet intervals between volcanic events and after volcanism
270 had ceased. Chert sedimentation indicates little detrital input to the basin at the time, as chert is
271 composed of silica most commonly originating from biogenic sources like radiolarians and
272 sponge spicules (Jones & Murchey 1986; Pufahl 2010). It has been suggested that Ordovician
273 to lower Cretaceous radiolarian cherts typically formed in response to upwelling of nutrient-
274 rich waters, conditions which can be caused by specific tectonic environments, such as the local
275 upwelling seen in marginal basins in modern oceans (Jones & Murchay 1986). A marginal basin
276 setting for the ribbon chert is supported by the abundant intercalated beds of coarse terrigenous
277 sandstone and mass flow type conglomerates, which suggest proximity to a terrigenous source.
278 The upwards transition into the thick succession of green siltstone suggests a gradual decrease
279 of both radiolarian chert production and coarse terrigenous input, possibly due to a change in
280 basin geometry and/or changes in the hinterland.

281 *2. Overturning (D1) and major folding (D2)*

282 The metabasalts – ribbon chert – green siltstone succession is folded into a tight to isoclinal,
283 upright fold with a S-SE-plunging fold axis, resulting in a map pattern with older metabasalts
284 surrounding the younger lithologies in the south (Fig. 3a). The younging direction towards the
285 central siltstone together with the south-plunging fold axis, indicate that this fold structure

286 cannot represent a simple syncline, but rather a moderately south-plunging antiformal syncline
287 (Fig. 3b). This implies an overturning (D1) of the stratigraphic sequence below the
288 unconformity, possibly as part of a large-scale recumbent fold nappe, prior to tight, upright S-
289 SE plunging F2 folding (D2). Importantly, both the D1 overturning and the D2 upright folding
290 must have taken place before erosion and deposition of the cross-bedded sandstone above the
291 unconformity. This differs from the interpretation of Rohr-Torp (1972), who interpreted the
292 cross-bedded sandstone to be part of the overturned sequence (Fig. 2b).

293 *3. Shallow-water sandstone deposition*

294 The immature and poorly sorted nature of the green, cross-bedded sandstone above the
295 unconformity, including abundant larger clasts, indicates a relatively proximal, shallow-water
296 deposition. Sedimentary structures such as laterally extensive parallel bedding, lamination,
297 abundant cross-bedding, and occasional trough cross-bedding also suggest a marine shelf
298 setting above wave base, possibly upper shoreface (Tucker 2001; Boggs 2011). The unit has
299 previously been classified as a greywacke (Rohr-Torp 1972; 1974), a rock type commonly
300 related to arc basins, including piggy-back basins and similar settings (Tucker 2001). The
301 detrital zircon spectrum of the sandstone indicates deposition of this sandstone after *c.* 427 Ma
302 (Fig. 10d), post-dating mid Silurian times.

303 *4. Late intermediate volcanism*

304 The younger volcanic rocks at Dugurdsknappen show a geochemical signature clearly different
305 from the older metabasalts, indicating a change in tectonic environment across the
306 unconformity. Since the intermediate volcanic rocks are coeval or younger than the cross-
307 bedded sandstone, they also must have formed after *c.* 427 Ma. These volcanic rocks have an
308 intermediate composition with trace element compositions similar to calc-alkaline magmas
309 (Figs. 7, 8). A calc-alkaline affinity is supported by the presence of biotite phenocrysts, typical
310 of more evolved silicic rocks such as basaltic andesites, andesites, dacites, and rhyolites,
311 particularly those of the medium to high K-series (Winter 2010; Nesse 2013). The calc-alkaline
312 series is typical of supra-subduction zone settings at destructive plate boundaries (Winter 2010).
313 The negative Ta-Nb anomaly seen in the trace element patterns (Fig. 7a) is also typical of
314 subduction-related rocks (Wilson 1989, p. 179; Winter 2010); however, geochemically
315 comparable magmas may also form in collisional orogenic belts (Harris *et al.* 1986). Such late-
316 to post-collisional calc-alkaline magmas have been linked to transtensional and transpressional
317 tectonism during the phase of extensional collapse at the end of an orogenic cycle, leading to

318 upwelling and partial melting of previously contaminated mantle (Harris *et al.* 1986; Song *et al.* 2015). Contamination is typically due to previous subduction zone activity, which leads to
319 the apparent subduction-zone signature (Harris *et al.* 1986; Miles *et al.* 2016).
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321 *5. Renewed folding and development of the regional foliation (D3)*

322 Both the units below and above the unconformity were affected by a deformation phase
323 characterised by SW-trending NW-vergent F3 folding (D3; Fig. 4i, 5d, e). This third
324 deformation event is most pronounced along the unconformity and in the lower part of the
325 cross-bedded sandstone, but it is also seen overprinting previous F2 folding within the ribbon
326 chert (Fig. 5b). The regional foliation, which can be observed both above and below the
327 unconformity, is parallel to the axial plane of F3 folds and cuts across the hinge and flanks of
328 the large-scale D2 fold below the unconformity (Figs. 3a, 5c, f). We therefore interpret the
329 regional foliation to have formed during the D3 event. Interestingly, the orientation and
330 vergence of D3 structures does not fit with the general SE-directed nappe translation and
331 deformation during the main collisional stage of the Scandinavian Caledonides, so they either
332 represent structures developed during back-thrusting, or during late and post-Caledonian top-
333 to-the-west extensional tectonics (e.g. Fossen 1992).

334 **Consequences for along-strike correlations within the TNC and regional-scale** 335 **significance for the evolution of the Caledonian orogen**

336 The Dugurdsknappen area represents only a small part of the southwestern volcanic and
337 sedimentary belt of the TNC; nevertheless, its tectonic evolution as documented in this study
338 has consequences for along-strike correlations with the better-known northwestern areas, and
339 reveals some important new data relevant for the closure history of the Iapetus and the evolution
340 of the Scandinavian Caledonides in general.

341 *Late Cambrian to Ordovician basaltic volcanism in the western TNC – two different phases* 342 *and/or tectonic environments?*

343 Gasser & Grenne (2017) proposed that the thick metabasaltic sequences in the ‘classical’
344 Støren-Hølonnda region of the TNC, traditionally collectively assigned to the Støren Group (*s.l.*)
345 of assumed latest Cambrian – earliest Ordovician age (e.g. Wolff 1979; Gee *et al.* 1985; Roberts
346 *et al.* 2002; Slagstad *et al.* 2013), can be divided into two lithologically and geochemically
347 different units; a southeastern Støren Group *s.s.* and a northwestern group comprising the LVB
348 ophiolites. The LVB ophiolites show a clear subduction signature (such as elevated Th/Ta
349 ratios, Slagstad *et al.* 2013), a signature which is absent in the data from the Dugurdsknappen

350 and Støren Group *s.s.* metabasalts. Moreover, the Dugurdsknappen and Støren Group *s.s.*
351 metabasalts share an enrichment in LREE and the most incompatible HFSE, a signature that is
352 apparently absent in the LVB ophiolites (Slagstad *et al.* 2013, Grenne & Gasser 2017). We
353 therefore suggest that the Dugurdsknappen and Støren Group *s.s.* metabasalts originate from
354 the same volcanic environment, different from the environment in which the LVB ophiolites
355 were produced.

356 The LVB ophiolites formed at *c.* 487–479 Ma in the latest Cambrian to early Ordovician period,
357 most probably in a back-arc extensional basin in a suprasubduction zone setting (Slagstad *et al.*
358 2013), thus representing suprasubduction-zone (SSZ) ophiolites in the classification of Dilek
359 & Furnes (2011). They belong to an extensive belt of SSZ ophiolites preserved within the
360 Scandinavian Caledonides from Lyngen in the north to Karmøy in the south (Fig. 1; Dunning
361 & Pedersen 1988; Grenne *et al.* 1999; Dilek & Furnes 2011). The Dugurdsknappen and Støren
362 Group *s.s.* metabasaltic belts, by contrast, lack a traditional ophiolite stratigraphy, and a full
363 evaluation of their petrogenesis and tectonic setting is therefore difficult. Nevertheless, their
364 geochemical signature points to a subduction-unrelated environment, suggesting the following
365 possible settings according to the scheme of Dilek & Furnes (2011): Disrupted remnants of
366 Mid-ocean ridge (MOR) type ophiolites formed at plume-proximal or plume-distal mid-ocean
367 ridges, trench-proximal mid-ocean ridges, or trench-distal back-arc spreading ridges. Due to
368 the lack of age control on the Dugurdsknappen and Støren Group *s.s.* metabasalts so far, the
369 paleogeographic significance of this finding is highly speculative, with three main potential
370 models: (1) If they are older than the SSZ ophiolites, they may represent fragments of true
371 Cambrian Iapetus MORB, (2) if they are broadly coeval with the SSZ ophiolites, they may
372 represent a more arc-distal part of the same back-arc basin or a trench-proximal mid-ocean ridge
373 on the down-going plate, or (3) if they are younger than the SSZ ophiolites, they may represent
374 a true extensional interim rifting phase after the first late Cambrian – early Ordovician
375 subduction phase producing the SSZ ophiolites. In any case, they represent a separate tectonic
376 environment and/or phase so far not considered in the closure history of the Iapetus ocean as
377 preserved within the Scandinavian Caledonides.

378 *Post-mid Silurian sedimentation – a missing link to Old Red Sandstone deposition?*

379 According to the existing 1:250 000 bedrock map, the cross-bedded sandstone above the
380 unconformity at Dugurdsknappen belongs to a larger, *c.* 8 km wide, restricted circular unit
381 mapped as green greywacke and shale (Fig. 2; Nilsen & Wolff 1989). Based on the occurrence
382 of what Rohr-Torp (1972) interpreted as a basal conglomerate, he correlated this sedimentary

383 unit with the Hovin Groups in the northwestern TNC (Fig. 2). The results of our study clearly
384 indicate that such a correlation is wrong. The sedimentary and volcanic rocks of the Hovin
385 Groups above the LVB ophiolites have a complex stratigraphy, including several conglomerate
386 horizons, and they are assumed to span from the Lower to the Upper Ordovician (e.g. Vogt
387 1945; Chaloupsky 1970; Oftedahl 1980). The cross-bedded sandstones at Dugurdsknappen,
388 however, have a maximum depositional age of 427 ± 3 Ma, indicating deposition no earlier than
389 mid Silurian times. It is therefore evident that this unit was deposited at a much later stage than
390 most of the Ordovician sediments of the northwestern TNC; hence, they cannot be directly
391 correlated. It is noteworthy, though, that a recent study identified <430 Ma rocks in the
392 northwestern TNC as well: The Lyngestein and Sandå units of the Hovin-Horg area have
393 maximum depositional ages of *c.* 430 Ma (Gasser *et al.* 2016), and are possible time equivalents
394 of the Dugurdsknappen sandstone although they are lithologically different.

395 Silurian sedimentary rocks are known from several tectonostratigraphic levels within the
396 Scandinavian Caledonides (e.g. Bassett 1985), but successions proven to be as young as <430
397 Ma (mid-Wenlock or younger) are rare. In the parautochthonous Oslo region, the Ordovician –
398 Silurian stratigraphy extends into the late Silurian, with the Ringerike Group representing
399 shallow-marine to fluvial deposits of <430 Ma (Ludlow-Pridoli) age (Fig. 1; Davies *et al.* 2005;
400 2006). The Ringerike Group has been interpreted to represent a molasse deposit formed in
401 response to the continental collision between Baltica and Laurentia, and marks the transition
402 from the Cambro-Silurian mainly marine platform of Baltica, to the mainly continental Old Red
403 Sandstone deposits of late Silurian to Devonian times (e.g. Bassett 1985; Bruton *et al.* 2010). In
404 the parautochthonous to lower allochthonous Jämtland region (Fig. 1), the Ordovician –
405 Silurian stratigraphy extends only into early Wenlock times, when the basin was filled up with
406 terrestrial Old Red Sandstone deposits (Bassett 1985; Gee *et al.* 2014). Also within the
407 allochthonous Iapetus-derived nappes, fossil evidence indicates that most known Ordovician –
408 Silurian successions extend only into the Llandovery or early Wenlock; however, non-
409 fossiliferous clastic successions that overlie Llandovery – Wenlock rocks are known locally
410 (e.g. within the Lower Köli Nappes; Fig. 1), possibly indicating a more wide-spread presence
411 of <430 Ma deposits (Bassett 1985; Roberts & Stephens 2000; Gee *et al.* 2014).

412 The discovery of <430 Ma sedimentary basins bounded by major unconformities at
413 Dugurdsknappen (this study) and Lyngestein/Sandå (Gasser *et al.* 2016) is interesting for
414 further tectonic reconstructions for two reasons. (1) The stratigraphic record within such basins
415 might cover a time span transitional from the mainly marine Cambro-Silurian sedimentation

416 within Iapetus to the continental Old Red Sandstone facies, and hence represent a missing link
417 within the closure history of the Iapetus. (2) These basins developed during ongoing thrust
418 tectonics and nappe assemblage, and their extent as well as stratigraphic and tectonic
419 relationships to surrounding structures can potentially reveal important clues about tectonic
420 uplift and subsidence during foreland-propagating deformation in a continental collision zone.
421 The extent, stratigraphic record, depositional age, provenance and structural history of such
422 <430 Ma basins therefore deserve much more attention in the future.

423 *Post-427 Ma intermediate calc-alkaline volcanism – subduction-related or post-collisional?*

424 The intermediate volcanic rocks emplaced above the unconformity are either coeval with or
425 younger than the cross-bedded sandstone; hence, they also have a maximum age of about 427
426 \pm 3 Ma. Subduction-related intermediate volcanism has been described from several places
427 within the TNC, but all are older magmatic phases (e.g. Grenne *et al.* 1999). The youngest
428 magmatic phase previously documented in the TNC, comprising plutonic rocks of a bimodal
429 mafic/trondhjemitic assemblage (Grenne *et al.* 1999), occurred at about 435-430 Ma and
430 includes the Innset massif near Dugurdsknappen (Fig. 2a; Dunning & Grenne 2000; Nilsen *et*
431 *al.* 2007). The post-427 Ma volcanic rocks (this study) thus represent the youngest magmatic
432 rocks discovered within the TNC so far.

433 The geochronological database covering all published age determinations from the entire
434 Scandinavian Caledonides contains 53 U-Pb zircon ages younger than 427 Ma
435 (http://geo.ngu.no/kart/geokronologi_mobil/). Most of them (34 ages) represent 410-390 Ma
436 granitic pegmatites or leucosomes from within the Precambrian windows, including the
437 Western Gneiss Region (WGR; Fig. 1). These are probably linked to collisional rather than
438 subduction-zone processes, representing partial melting coeval with or subsequent to eclogite
439 facies metamorphism (e.g. Kylander-Clark & Hacker 2014). The remaining 19 ages represent
440 granitic to granodioritic pegmatites and leucosomes from several allochthonous nappes,
441 possibly representing two age groups: (1) 425-418 Ma pegmatites from mainly northern
442 Norway, reflecting partial melting during nappe thrusting (e.g. Corfu *et al.* 2011), and (2) 405-
443 390 Ma pegmatites from nappes overlying the WGR, interpreted to be part of the underlying
444 collisional pegmatite suite from within the WGR (e.g. Gordon *et al.* 2013). None of these dated
445 rocks correspond lithologically or geochemically to the post-427 Ma volcanic rocks discovered
446 at Dugurdsknappen, and this unit therefore seems to represent a hitherto unknown volcanic unit
447 within the Scandinavian Caledonides.

448 The subduction-related geochemical signature of this post-427 Ma volcanic unit is difficult to
449 interpret without a precise age of emplacement, and we envisage two potential models. (1) The
450 subduction signature could represent a link to an active subduction zone, a model implying that
451 subduction continued until at least after 427 Ma within this part of the Scandinavian
452 Caledonides. It has been suggested that subduction and arc volcanism within the Scandinavian
453 Caledonides ceased after the onset of continent-continent collision (Bingen & Solli 2009);
454 however, the exact timing of this transition is unknown. Magmatic bodies as young as 424 Ma
455 preserved within the mature volcanic arc in the Helgeland Nappe Complex (Fig. 1; Barnes *et*
456 *al.* 2007), may suggest that arc magmatism was still active. This model is preferable for the
457 Dugurdsknappen volcanic rocks if they were emplaced at *c.* 427 Ma or slightly later. (2)
458 Alternatively, if the age of emplacement is significantly younger, the subduction signature
459 could be inherited from a mantle modified by a previously active subduction zone, in which
460 case magma generation was unrelated to ongoing subduction processes and rather reflects post-
461 collisional (extensional) melting of mantle rocks. Indeed, post-collisional Middle Devonian
462 calc-alkaline magmatism is known from the British Caledonides (Soper & Woodcock 1990;
463 Miles *et al.* 2016; Lancaster *et al.* 2017). This has been attributed to the re-melting of crustally
464 contaminated mantle during Devonian rifting and extensional collapse, rather than subduction
465 zone magmatism, as it post-dates the final closure of the Iapetus Ocean (Miles *et al.* 2016;
466 Lancaster *et al.* 2017). Such late to post-collisional calc-alkaline magmatism has been described
467 from several orogens around the world (Harris *et al.* 1986; Song *et al.* 2015; Miles *et al.* 2016).
468 Until the emplacement age of the post-427 Ma intermediate volcanic rocks is determined
469 precisely, both a late subduction-zone origin and a potentially much younger post-collision
470 extensional origin has to be considered for this hitherto undocumented calc-alkaline volcanic
471 episode within the Scandinavian Caledonides.

472 **Conclusions**

473 The oldest rocks in the Dugurdsknappen area are tholeiitic, E-MORB type metabasalts.
474 Geochemical signatures suggest that the Dugurdsknappen metabasalts correlate with the Støren
475 Group *s.s.* metabasalts, and that both are different from the better-known supra-subduction zone
476 ophiolite fragments dominating the oceanic crust record elsewhere within the Scandinavian
477 Caledonides. The Dugurdsknappen and Støren Group *s.s.* metabasalts possibly represent
478 fragments of MOR-type ophiolites, indicating the presence of a hitherto unknown tectonic
479 environment and/or phase of oceanic crust production during the closure of Iapetus. The
480 overlying ribbon chert, intercalated with coarse clastic material, indicates arc- and/or continent-

481 proximity during or shortly after the rift-related volcanism. The gradual transition to the
482 overlying siltstone unit suggests an environment with decreasing chert production in favour of
483 siliciclastic silt deposition, possibly due to a change in basin geometry and/or the hinterland.

484 The Dugurdsknappen metabasalt – ribbon chert – siltstone succession was overturned (D1) and
485 folded into large-scale, tight to isoclinal antiformal folds (D2). This succession was partly
486 eroded and subsequently covered by cross-bedded sandstones at *c.* 427 Ma or later. This young
487 age contradicts previous correlations of this sedimentary basin with the Ordovician Hovin
488 Groups to the northwest. Post-427 Ma Silurian successions are rare within the record of the
489 Scandinavian Caledonides, but our results together with the findings of Gasser *et al.* (2016)
490 point to a wider extent of such basins than hitherto assumed, opening up for the identification
491 of stratigraphic links between the mostly marine Cambro-Silurian record and the younger
492 Devonian continental Old Red Sandstone facies.

493 Our study reveals the presence of post-427 Ma intermediate calc-alkaline volcanic/subvolcanic
494 rocks in the Dugurdsknappen area, representing the youngest documented volcanic episode
495 within the TNC so far. Similar rocks are unknown also elsewhere in the Scandinavian
496 Caledonides. The particular geochemical signature of the post-427 Ma volcanic rocks indicates
497 that they are either the result of late-stage subduction zone volcanism just prior to the onset of
498 continent-continent collision, or much younger post-collisional extensional melting influenced
499 by inherited subduction-zone signatures.

500 All units exposed in the Dugurdsknappen area were affected by a third deformational phase
501 (D3) leading to SW-trending, NW-verging folds and the formation of a regional greenschist
502 facies axial plane foliation. The geometry of this deformation phase indicates a connection to
503 the post-orogenic extensional phase of the Caledonian orogeny after *c.* 400 Ma, rather than to
504 the main Scandian collision and nappe translation.

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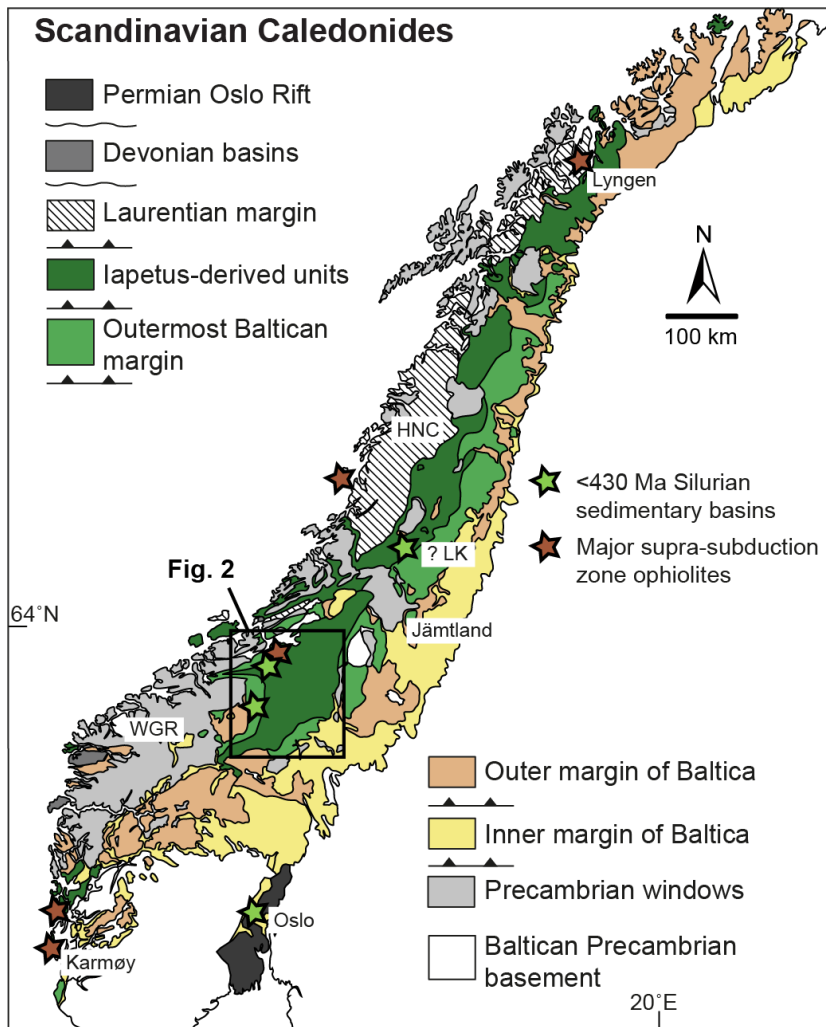
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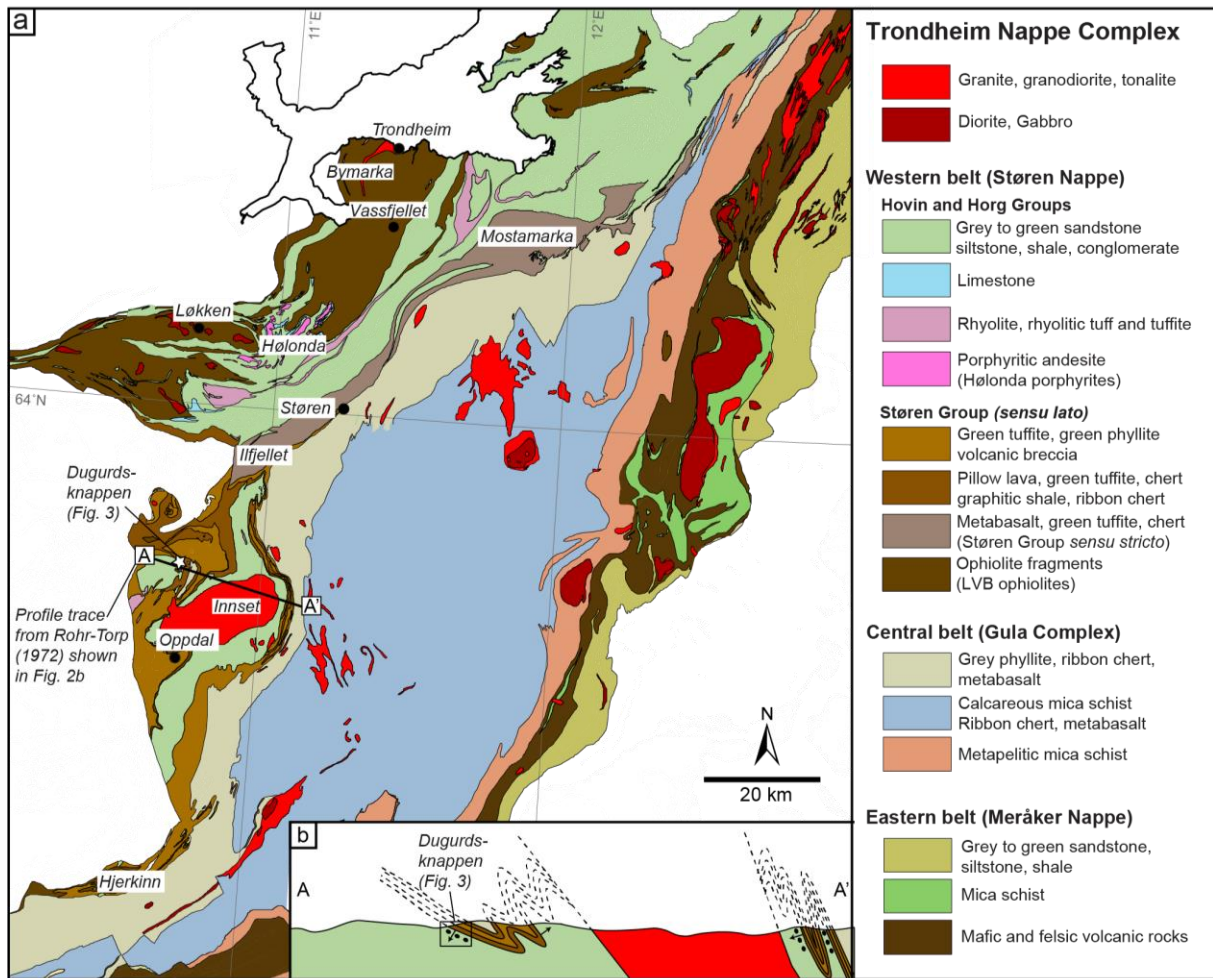
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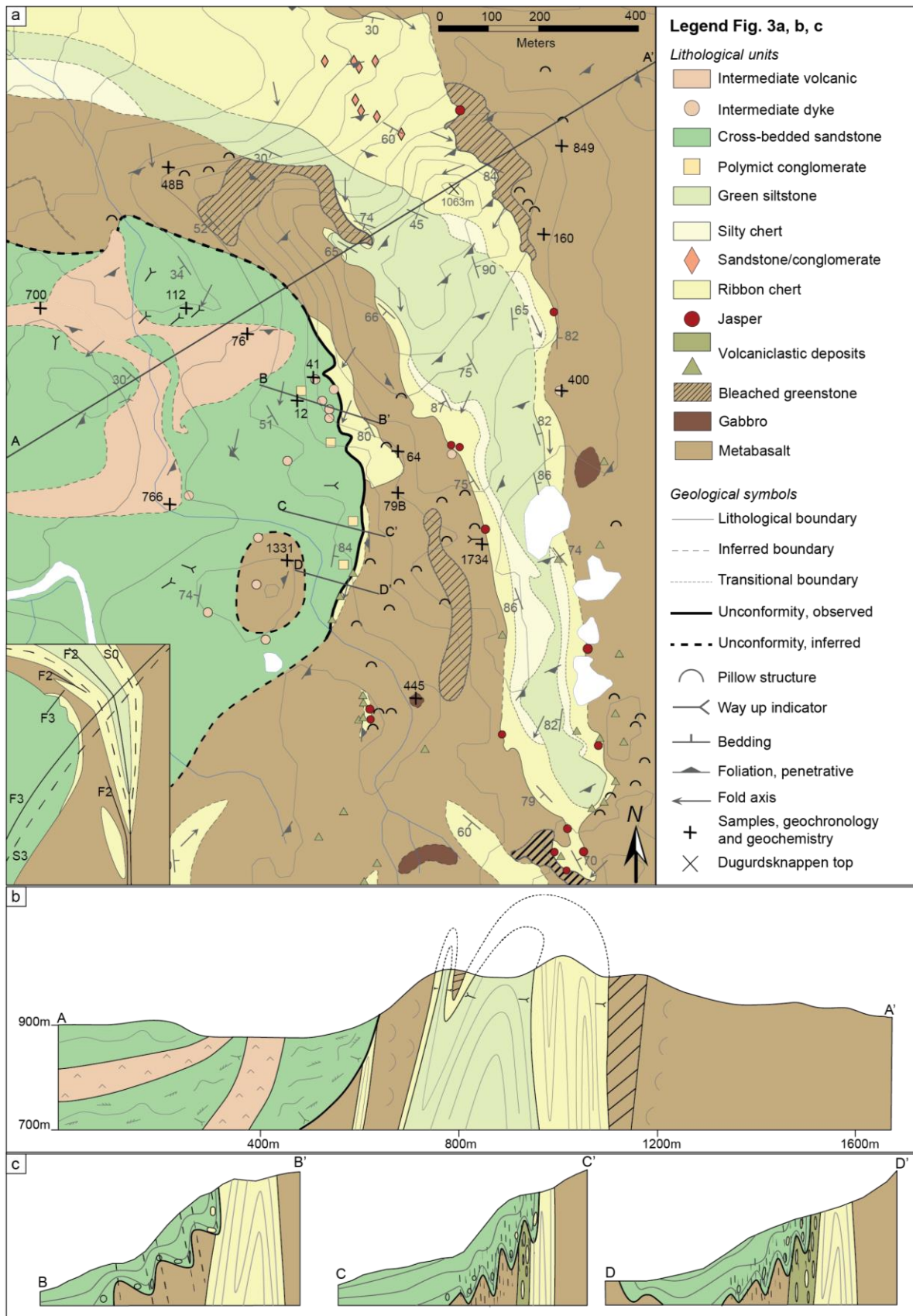
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705 **Fig. 1:** Simplified tectonostratigraphic map of western Scandinavia showing the main
 706 paleogeographic domains within the Caledonian nappe stack of Scandinavia, simplified after
 707 Solli & Nordgulen (2013). Remnants of the Iapetus Ocean are shown in dark green. Rectangle
 708 shows approximate extent and position of the Trondheim Nappe Complex (Fig. 2). The
 709 distribution of larger supra-subduction zone (SSZ) ophiolites and the occurrences of <430 Ma
 710 Silurian sedimentary basins are indicated. WGR, Western Gneiss Region; HNC, Helgeland
 711 Nappe Complex; LK, Lower Köli Nappes.



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713 **Fig. 2:** (a) Geological map of the Trondheim Nappe Complex showing the western, central and
 714 eastern belts, map modified from Nilsen & Wolff (1989) and Wolff (1976). Location of the
 715 study area (Fig. 3) is indicated by a small star at Dugurdsknappen in the southern part of the
 716 western belt, where also the extent of the profile A-A' (Fig. 2b) is shown. (b) Profile A-A' from
 717 Rohr-Torp (1972) indicates overturning and isoclinal folding of the volcanic and sedimentary
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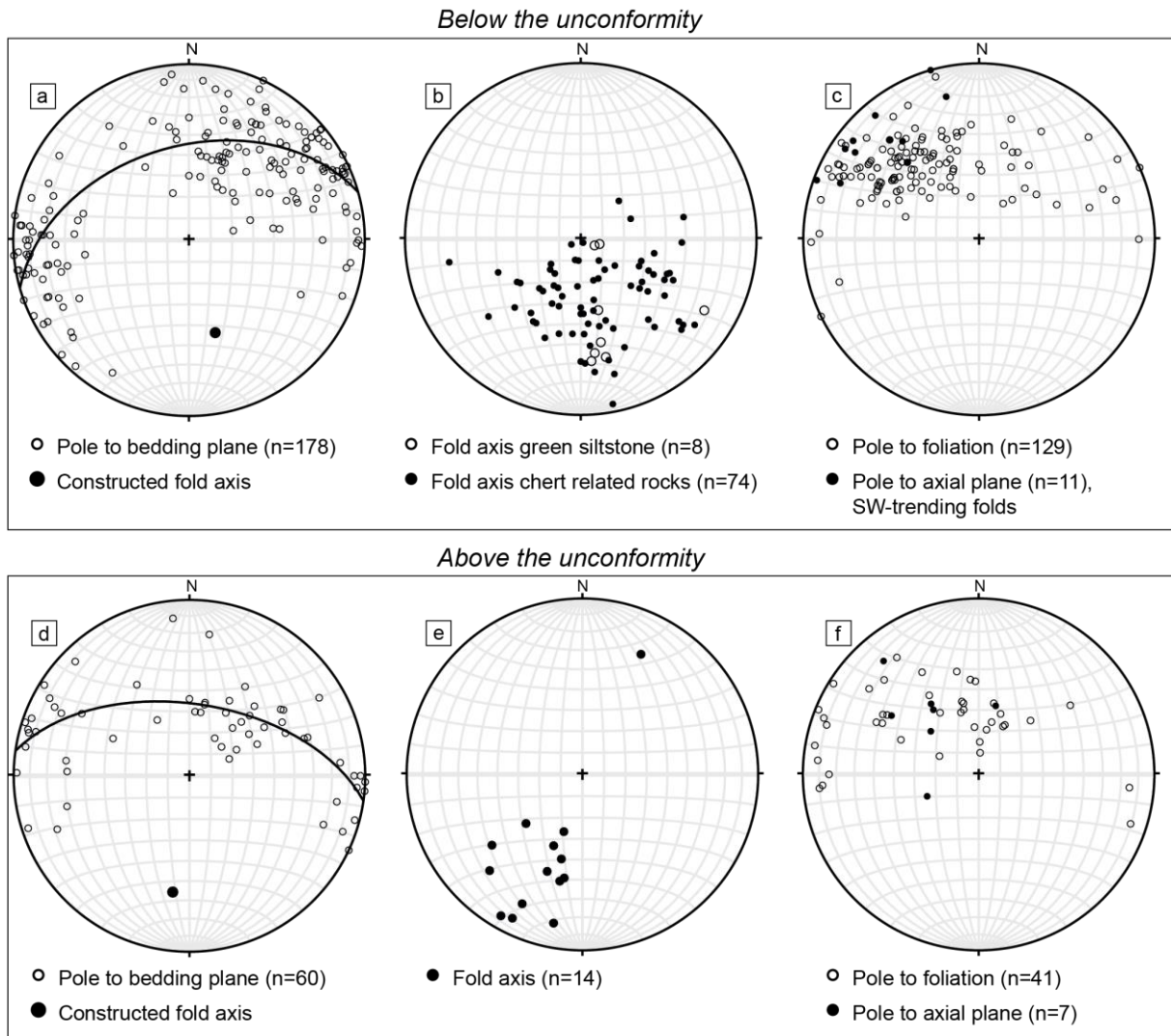
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720 **Fig. 3:** (a) Geological map of the Dugurdsknappen area. Small inset map (lower left) shows
 721 our structural interpretation of the study area. (b) Cross section A-A' shows the large-scale

722 structure of the area, while (c) cross sections B-B', C-C' and D-D' show variably deformed
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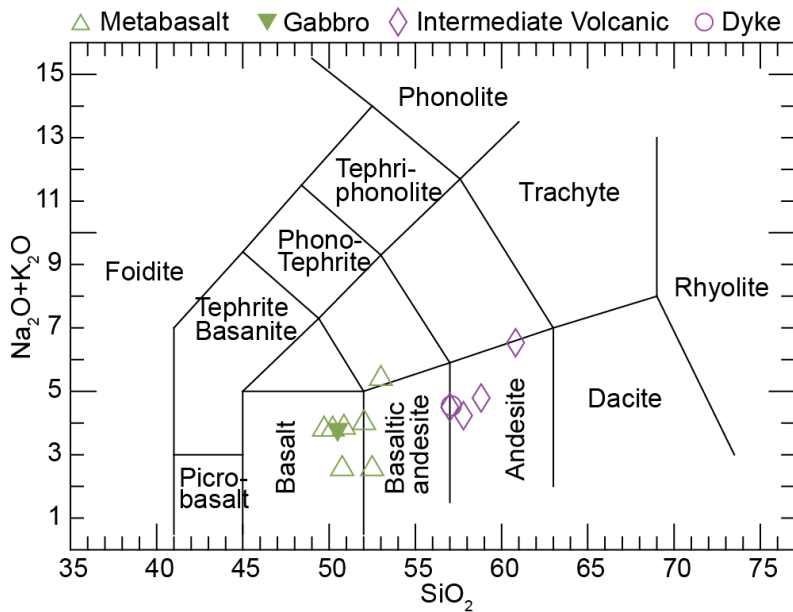


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725 **Fig. 4:** Field photographs from the Dugurdsknappen area. (a) Pillow lava. (b) Folded ribbon
726 chert. (c) Bed of immature sandstone (between black lines) within the ribbon chert. (d) Angular
727 chert clast within the basal part of the cross-bedded sandstone. (e) Cross bedded sandstone. (f)
728 Intermediate dyke cutting the metabasalt below the unconformity. (g) Close-up of the
729 intermediate volcanic rock. Note the porphyritic texture with biotite phenocrysts. (h) Refolded
730 fold within the ribbon chert, indicating the presence of two distinct fold phases with the younger
731 phase representing W-verging folds. (i) W-NW-verging folds within the cross-bedded
732 sandstone.



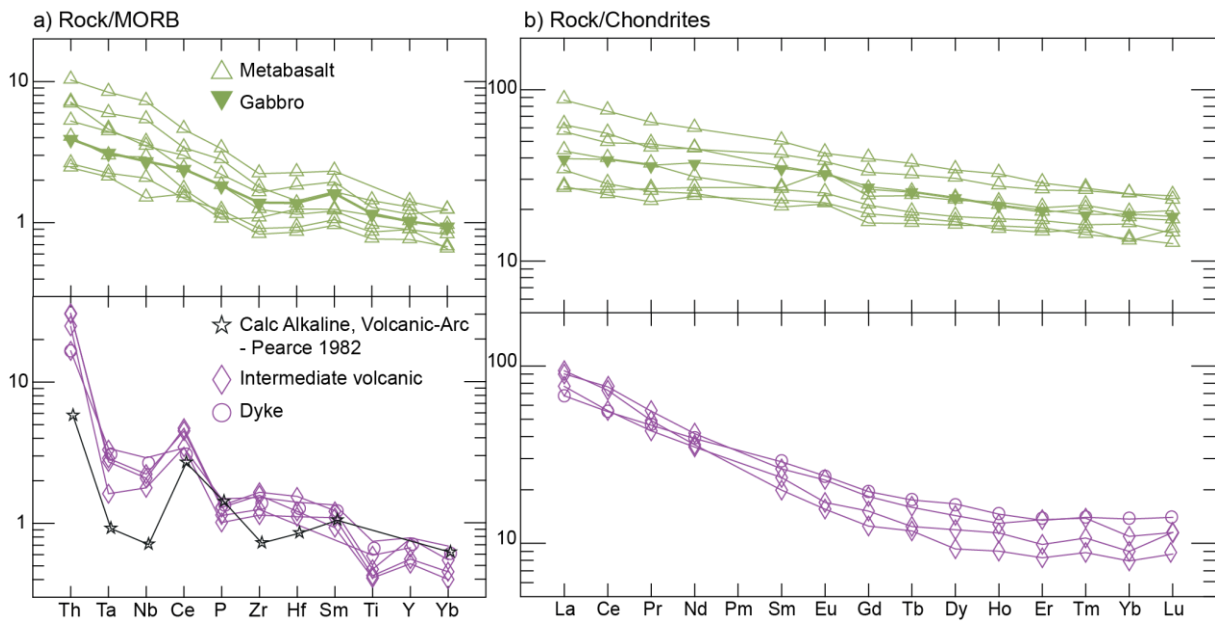
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734 **Fig. 5:** Structural data from the Dugurdsknappen area presented in equal-area lower hemisphere
 735 stereoplots (produced with Stereonet 8; Cardozo & Allmendinger 2013; Allmendinger *et al.*
 736 2013). **(a)** Poles of bedding planes in units below the unconformity (mainly from chert- and
 737 siltstone-related rocks) and the constructed large-scale fold axis plunging moderately to the SE.
 738 **(b)** Fold axis measurements from outcrop-scale folds below the unconformity. **(c)** Poles to
 739 foliation and to axial planes of SW-trending folds measured below the unconformity. **(d)** Poles
 740 to bedding planes above the unconformity, indicating the constructed large-scale fold axis
 741 plunging moderately to the S-SW. **(e)** Fold axes measured above the unconformity. **(f)** Poles to
 742 foliation and to axial planes of all folds above the unconformity



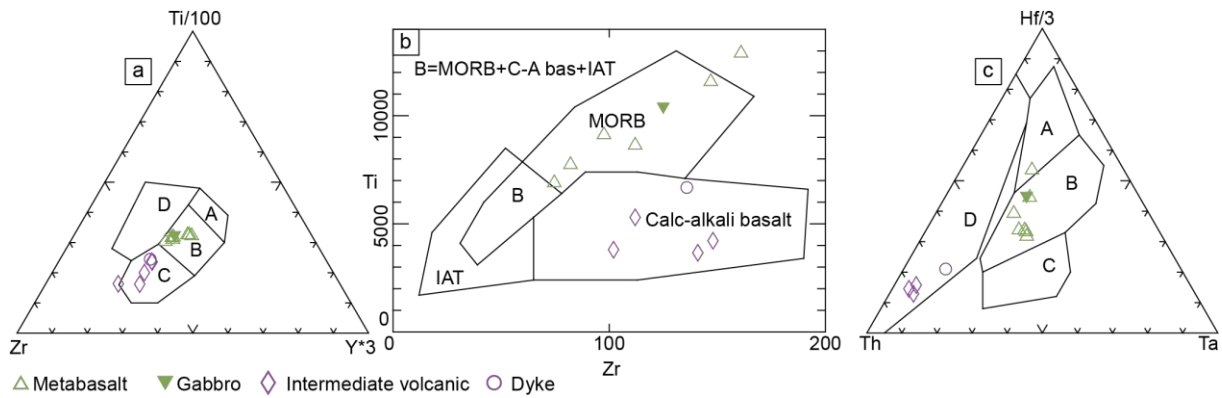
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744 **Fig. 6:** TAS-diagram (Le Bas *et al.* 1986) showing the total alkalis versus silica of the igneous
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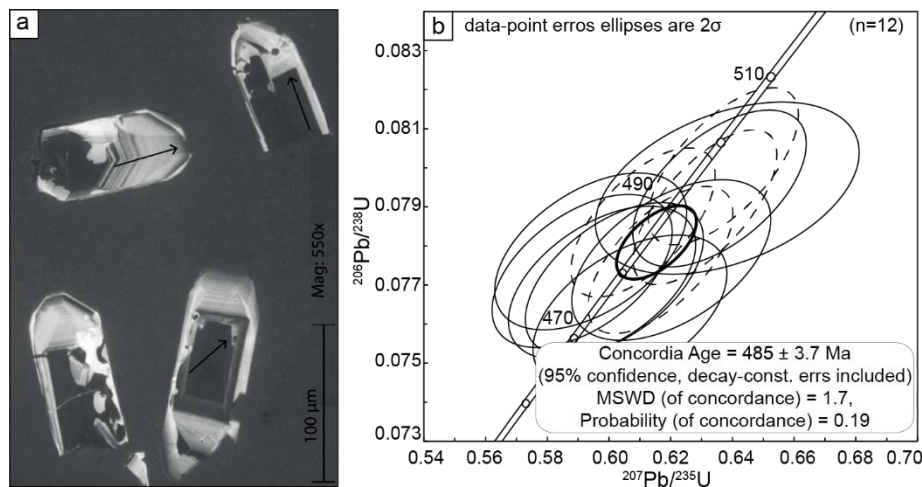


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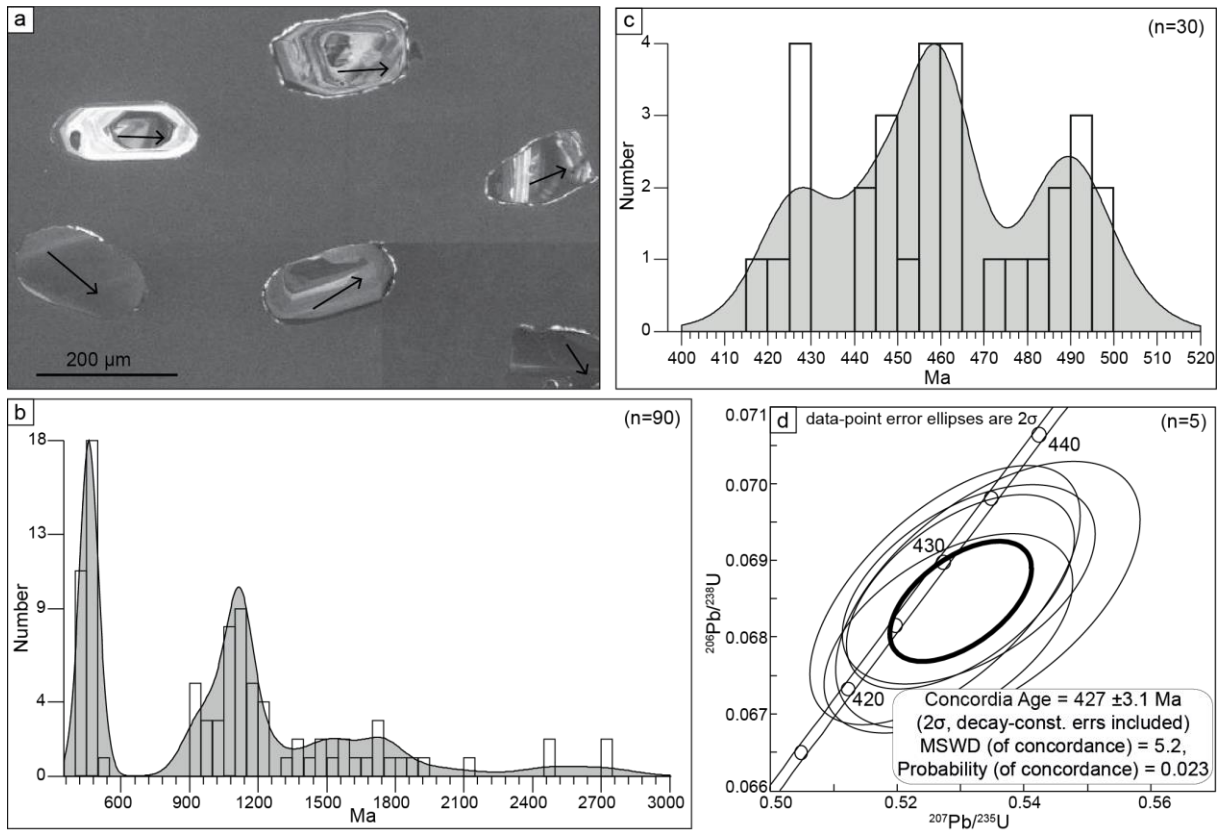
748 **Fig. 7:** Multi-element plots for immobile incompatible trace elements and REE from the
 749 igneous rocks at Dugurdsknappen. (a) MORB-normalized trace element diagrams, including a
 750 typical calc-alkaline volcanic arc basalt (Pearce 1982) for comparison. Normalization values
 751 from Pearce (1983). (b) Chondrite-normalized REE plots; chondrite values from Sun and
 752 McDonough (1989).



753 \triangle Metabasalt ∇ Gabbro \diamond Intermediate volcanic \circ Dyke
 754 **Fig. 8:** Discrimination diagrams based on trace element concentrations from the igneous rocks
 755 at Dugurdsknappen. (a) Zr-Y-Ti discrimination diagram (Pearce and Cann 1973). A+B, island
 756 arc tholeiites; B, ocean-floor tholeiites; B+C, calc-alkali basalts; D, within-plate basalts. (b) Ti
 757 vs. Zr discrimination diagram (Pearce and Cann 1973). MORB, mid-ocean ridge basalts; IAT,
 758 island arc tholeiites; B, MORB+IAT+calc-alkali basalts. Note: diagram a and b are intended
 759 for basaltic rocks, the intermediate rocks are plotted for comparison. (c) Th-Ta-Hf
 760 discrimination diagram (Wood 1980). A, normal mid-ocean basalts (N-MORB); B, enriched
 761 mid-ocean ridge basalts (E-MORB); C, ocean island basalts (OIB); D, volcanic arc basalts.



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 763 **Fig. 9:** (a) CL images of representative zircons from the tonalitic clast sample EST_12. Arrows
 764 indicate position and orientation of LA-ICP-MS line analysis (15µm line width). (b) Concordia
 765 plot for sample EST_12. Dashed lines are from the cores and solid from the rims, yielding an
 766 age of intrusion at 485 ± 4 Ma.



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Fig. 10: (a) CL images of representative zircons from the cross-bedded sandstone sample EST_112. Arrows indicate position and orientation of LA-ICP-MS line analysis (15µm line width). (b) Kernel density estimate and histogram of all analyses from ~400-3000 Ma. (c) Kernel density estimate and histogram of the Caledonian age group, with minor peaks at about 430, 460 and 490 Ma. (d) Concordia plot of the youngest overlapping population of five grains yielding a Concordia age of 427 ± 3 Ma, which indicates the maximum depositional age for the cross-bedded sandstone.

Table 1: Major (wt %) and trace (ppm) elements from whole-rock analyses on XRF¹ and ICP-MS². Sample location indicated in Fig. 3a.

Sample	Metabasalt and gabbro* below the unconformity								Dyke†	Intermediate volcanic/subvolcanic rocks above the unconformity			
	EST_48B	EST_64	EST_79B	EST_160	EST_849	15BD 1331	15BD 1734	EST_445*	EST_400	EST_41	EST_766	EST_700	EST_76
SiO ₂ ¹ (wt%)	50.4	47.9	47.6	48.4	48.5	48.50	49.80	48.6	52.5	56.1	55.2	55.2	57.8
TiO ₂ ¹	1.15	1.44	1.93	2.15	1.29	1.47	2.29	1.74	1.11	0.703	0.884	0.634	0.61
Al ₂ O ₃ ¹	15.9	15.5	15.2	16.3	14.4	13.00	15.10	14.3	14.2	16.2	16.5	14.3	15.6
Fe ₂ O ₃ ¹	8.07	9.28	10.3	10.7	8.55	8.199	10.80	9.51	5.27	7.11	7.9	7.54	5.38
FeO ¹	7.3	8.4	9.3	9.6	7.7			8.6	4.7	6.4	7.1	6.8	4.8
MnO ¹	0.121	0.157	0.163	0.148	0.174	0.14	0.18	0.195	0.151	0.118	0.134	0.141	0.092
MgO ¹	6.41	8.62	7.95	6.99	7.72	9.17	6.77	10	2.61	6.56	5.06	7.02	4.95
CaO ¹	10.8	8.67	8.69	7.89	10.9	12.70	5.75	8.03	11.8	3.81	6.49	6.52	4.24
Na ₂ O ¹	3.67	3.3	3.35	2.39	3.58	2.13	4.58	3.33	3.8	3.21	2.89	2.84	4.01
K ₂ O ¹	0.201	0.316	0.309	0.04	0.091	0.20	0.70	0.328	0.325	1.41	1.5	1.2	2.2
P ₂ O ₅ ¹	0.141	0.225	0.269	0.343	0.15	0.13	0.40	0.225	0.181	0.162	0.138	0.123	0.157
LOI ¹	2.66	3.16	3.06	3.89	3.92	2.59	2.65	3.15	6.97	4.01	2.56	2.54	3.62
Th ² (ppm)	0.807	1.05	1.43	1.39	0.524	0.477	1.98	0.783	3.3	6.09	n.a.	4.92	6.01
Ta ²	0.537	0.796	0.827	1.07	0.404	0.371	1.46	0.563	0.606	0.486	n.a.	0.289	0.515
Nb ²	10.2	13	12.2	18.8	7.24	5.05	24.4	9.53	10.1	7.24	n.a.	6.19	7.74
Zr ¹	74.6	112	147	161	82.1	94.1	193.0	125	136	148	112	102	141
Hf ²	2.06	2.75	4.37	3.43	2.23	2.89	5.24	3.31	3.36	3.69	n.a.	2.65	2.89
Y ¹	22.8	26.8	34.5	38.7	26.9	29.50	40.9	30.6	23.5	23.2	20	16.6	15.4
La ²	8.06	10.4	13.5	14.8	6.45	6.06	19.9	9.4	16.1	21.4	n.a.	18.2	22.3
Ce ²	17.3	24.2	30	34	14.9	15.7	44.2	24	33.8	46.7	n.a.	34.3	44.7
Pr ²	2.42	3.49	4.59	4.33	2.11	2.42	5.93	3.44	4.4	5.28	n.a.	4.09	4.67
Nd ²	11.6	14.5	21	21.2	11.1	12.10	26.70	17.5	18.2	19.4	n.a.	16.3	16.8
Sm ²	3.16	4	6.42	5.47	3.47	3.96	7.38	5.33	4.41	4.02	n.a.	3.59	3.05
Eu ²	1.25	1.45	2.21	1.88	1.27	1.86	2.38	1.89	1.39	1.32	n.a.	0.986	0.903
Gd ²	3.43	4.36	6.78	5.39	3.88	4.74	7.85	5.59	4.02	3.77	n.a.	3.12	2.57
Tb ²	0.619	0.721	1.19	0.943	0.671	0.87	1.34	0.956	0.657	0.597	n.a.	0.465	0.439
Dy ²	4.11	4.62	7.73	5.89	4.31	5.54	8.33	5.99	4.24	3.64	n.a.	3.03	2.36
Ho ²	0.908	1	1.55	1.19	0.864	1.21	1.76	1.2	0.826	0.733	n.a.	0.647	0.511
Er ²	2.59	2.85	4.3	3.19	2.44	3.27	4.55	3.29	2.23	2.25	n.a.	1.63	1.37
Tm ²	0.364	0.415	0.657	0.51	0.39	0.52	0.657	0.477	0.357	0.353	n.a.	0.273	0.226
Yb ²	2.3	2.8	4.18	3.04	2.22	3.14	4.05	3.2	2.33	1.86	n.a.	1.53	1.35
Lu ²	0.321	0.369	0.574	0.44	0.391	0.48	0.59	0.463	0.356	0.292	n.a.	0.293	0.221

† Intermediate dyke from below the unconformity. n.a., not analysed