

LEGEND

HYPERSPETRAL UNITS

The legend below was derived directly from analysis of the airborne PROBE hyperspectral data. Training areas for 12 of the mapped units (see below) were identified by consulting the GSC 1:100 000 scale geology maps. Landsat imagery and available mineral assessment reports. Spectra were generated for each training site and input to A.G.S. Signal's HELP (Hyperspectral Extraction/Lithological Processing) algorithm, which produced abundance images for each lithological class. The resulting colours on the map represent areas with a high confidence in the match with the training spectra for each lithological unit. Many areas appear unmapped for two reasons: (1) only areas of exposed rock were analysed; thus areas of snow, ice, water, vegetation, and thick till were excluded and, (2) only areas with the highest spectral match to the training areas (as described above) are shown. The abundance maps have been overlaid on a LANDSAT Band 8 TM image (panchromatic band) for geographic reference. Further details on the hyperspectral imaging process can be found in the hyperspectral notes on sheet 2.

Unclassified - includes areas excluded from hyperspectral analysis (water, vegetation, thick glacial cover, ice, and snow) as well as areas with lower matches to training spectra	Carbonate rocks (PLHC)
Areas of strong iron oxidation	Pearls, semipelite (PUP and psammite sub-unit of P86P)
White granite (PLWH)	Quartzite (silicic sub-unit of P86P)
Granitoid - Type 1 (P1m)	Leucodiorite, tonalite (PLHD)
Granitoid - Type 2 (P2m and/or P1m)	Mafic rocks (PLM)

BEDROCK UNITS

**STRUCTURAL LEVEL 3
PALEOPROTEROZOIC**
Cumberland Batholith
PcMo Orthopyroxene-biotite monzogranite to syenogranite; locally with K-feldspar megacrysts

--- intrusive contact ---

Lake Harbour Group
PLH White biotite-garnet leucogranite, monzogranite, commonly interlayered with meta-sedimentary rocks
PLHD Metaleucodiorite, metatonalite
PLUM Metagabbro, amphibolite, metaperidotite, layered metaperidotite-metagabbro, melagabbro
PLHU Metaperidotite, metapyroxenite, metadiorite
PLHC Marble, calc-silicate; minor siliclastic layers; white biotite-garnet leucogranite pods and seams
PLHP Dominantly psammite, micaceous quartzite, semipelite, orthoquartzite, pelite; minor marble and calc-silicate; white biotite-garnet leucogranite pods and seams

--- unconfidently? ---

ARCHAEO AND PROTEROZOIC
Ramsay River Orthogneiss
P1m Orthopyroxene-biotite hornblende monzogranite-tonalite orthogneiss; hornblende-biotite-diorite/orthopyroxene quartz diorite; orthopyroxene-biotite-hornblende monzogranite to syenogranite veins

--- major tectonic break (suture) ---

**STRUCTURAL LEVEL 2
PALEOPROTEROZOIC**
P1m Orthopyroxene-biotite hornblende monzogranite, layered orthopyroxene-biotite hornblende-garnet and/or orthopyroxene tonalite, granodiorite and quartz diorite gneiss; hornblende amphibolite layers, amphibolite, hornblende and metapyroxenite enclaves; orthopyroxene-biotite-hornblende monzogranite to syenogranite veins

--- geological contact ---

Geological contact

Fault

Limit of hyperspectral mapping

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES

TECTONOSTRATIGRAPHIC UNITS (LEVEL 2)
Narsarsuaq arc (unit P1m)
Orthopyroxene-bearing, compositionally layered metaplutonic rocks (i.e. layered monzogranite-granodiorite-tonalite gneiss; monzogranite gneiss) occur at the intermediate structural levels (level 2, Fig. 1) exposed along the Markham Bay-Crooks Inlet and Kimmimimim Bay areas. These metaplutonic rocks are in physical continuity with and/or are lithologically similar to plutonic rocks in the Kimmimimim Bay (Fig. 1) and have been dated between 1.64–1.62 Ga by Scott (1997), Wodicka and Scott (1997), and Scott and Wodicka (1998). These authors have correlated the level 2 metaplutonic rocks with similar units in the 1.64–1.62 Ga Narsarsuaq arc of northern Quebec (St-Onge et al., 1992; Dunphy and Ludden, 1998). Crosscutting field relationships indicate that the oldest Narsarsuaq arc plutonic unit is a layered, fine- to medium-grained, grey to buff, orthopyroxene-biotite hornblende-garnet tonalite orthogneiss with subordinate orthopyroxene-biotite-hornblende monzogranite layers and pink monzogranite sheets and veins (unit P1m). Compositional layering in the orthogneiss is typically a few centimetres in thickness and is continuous laterally for several tens of metres. The tonalite, granodiorite, and monzogranite components are crosscut by concordant to discordant veins of coarse-grained hornblende-biotite orthopyroxene syenogranite. Large areas of Narsarsuaq arc (Fig. 1) are underlain by medium-grained orthopyroxene-biotite-hornblende monzogranite gneiss that intrudes the layered tonalite-monzogranite unit described above. These rocks weather light grey to pink, and are composed of variably foliated, less than 10 cm thick layers that differ principally in biotite content. The scale of mapping did not allow the monzogranite gneiss to be mapped separately from the tonalite-monzogranite unit it intrudes and consequently both are noted in the composite (unit P1m) on existing bedrock maps for southern Baffin Island (St-Onge et al., 2001).

TECTONOSTRATIGRAPHIC UNITS (LEVEL 3)
Ramsay River orthogneiss (unit P1m)
Buff to pink-weathering, layered orthopyroxene-biotite-hornblende monzogranite-tonalite orthogneiss (unit P1m) occurs in the Canon Inlet area. The orthogneiss unit is in physical continuity with metaplutonic gneiss mapped to the north (St-Onge et al., 2001) and dated by Scott and Wodicka (1998) at ca. 1.65 Ga. In most outcrops the monzogranite-tonalite gneiss is interlayered with subordinate, boudinaged and discontinuous layers of quartz diorite. All components of the gneiss are crosscut by white to pink biotite monzogranite and syenogranite veins that range from well foliated to relatively massive and form a few centimetres to more than ten metres thick. Similarities in rock type, mineral assemblage, and strain state suggest that the monzogranite and syenogranite veins are related and possibly co-magmatic with the plutons of the Cumberland batholith (see below) which intrude the unit throughout southern Baffin Island (Fig. 1). The orthogneiss may represent the stratigraphic basement to Lake Harbour Group units described below. However, this is difficult to evaluate in the field as all observed contacts between orthogneiss and other units are tectonic. Nevertheless, the age of the orthogneiss and its spatial association with the younger Lake Harbour Group, both restricted to level 3 (Fig. 1), suggest that a primary stratigraphic link is possible.

Lake Harbour Group (units PLHP-PLH)
The marble, psammite, and semipelite units in the Canon Inlet area are along strike from, or are lithologically similar to, rocks of the Lake Harbour Group exposed in the Kimmimimim Bay (Fig. 1). Within these suprastructural rocks, two lithologically and geographically distinct successions are recognized. Along the southern coast of Baffin Island (Fig. 1), the Lake Harbour Group comprises interlayered gneissiferous psammite, orthoquartzite, semipelite, and pelite (unit PLHP) overlain by prominent, laterally continuous to boudinaged bands of buff grey to white marble and calc-silicate rocks (unit PLH). The Lake Harbour Group is dominated by gneissiferous psammite and pelite (unit PLHP) and is essentially devoid of marble and calc-silicate rocks ('Markham Bay sequence' of Scott et al. (1997)). Both successions are intruded by generally concordant sheets of mafic to ultramafic rocks (units PLM, PLUM, PLHD). Within the PLHP unit, semipelite is generally rusty, thinly layered at the centimetre scale, and characterised by abundant graphite. Cumulate-textured pelite typically occurs as thin layers within the gneissiferous psammite. Compositional layers in psammite range from centimetres to tens of centimetres in thickness, and can be traced for as much as hundreds of metres along strike. The layers are defined by variations in the modal abundance of quartz, biotite, garnet, cordierite, sillimanite, and granitic melt pods. Semipelite and pelite are generally subordinate within the psammite and both are generally rock-weathering and characterised by trace amounts of disseminated graphite, pyrite, chalcophylite, and pyrrhotite. Orthoquartzite occurs as discrete layers with total thicknesses of several metres. It is often graphite-bearing, locally contains minor phyllosilicates, and is strongly recrystallized. Primary structures, such as crossbedding, are only rarely preserved within the siliclastic rocks. White monzogranite, rich in ilite garnet, is a ubiquitous constituent within the siliclastic packages, occurring as concordant layers or pods less than 0.5 m thick. Locally, the white gneissiferous monzogranite outcrops as discrete tabular bodies several hundred metres thick. Some bodies (unit PLH) are large enough to show on maps such as that for the Canon Inlet area.

Most of the calcareous rocks (unit PLHC) are medium to coarse grained and are locally characterised by compositional layering defined by varying modal proportions of calcite, forsterite, hornblende, diopside, tremolite, phlogopite, spinel, wollastonite, and at least in the Kimmimimim Bay (Fig. 1) calcium (sagehite). Individual layers range from centimetres to metres in thickness and can be traced for tens of metres along strike. Calc-silicate rocks are commonly interlayered with siliclastic rocks and are generally associated with marble. Thicknesses of individual calcareous rock sequences range from approximately 200 m north of Kimmimim Bay in the Canon Inlet area to about 200 m at 68°W. Individual marble units can be traced from 5 to 40 km along strike. Primary structures were not observed in the calcareous rocks.

Generally concordant sheets of medium- to coarse-grained, mafic to ultramafic rocks occur within both successions of the Lake Harbour Group. Individual bodies are typically 10–20 m thick, but range up to a few hundred metres thick and continue up to several kilometres along strike. Metagabbro textures and compositional layering defined by variations in modal abundance of clinopyroxene, orthopyroxene, hornblende, and plagioclase are commonly observed in these bodies (unit PLM). The concordant nature, tabular shape, and sharp contacts suggest that these bodies are sills. Several ultramafic bodies (unit PLHU) with orthopyroxene-orthopyroxene-hornblende metapyroxenite or olivine-clinopyroxene orthopyroxene metadiorite were observed. Metaleucodiorite sills and metatonalite bodies (unit PLHD) are also employed in the siliclastic rocks of the Lake Harbour Group.

Cumberland batholith (unit PcMo)
Coarse- to medium-grained, massive to foliated metaplutonic rocks northeast of Markham Bay, around Frodsher Bay, and at 68°W (Fig. 1) occur along strike from and are continuous with extensive regions underlain by the 1.66–1.65 Ga (Jackson et al., 1990; Wodicka and Scott, 1997; Scott, 1999) Cumberland batholith on southern Baffin Island (Fig. 1; Blackadar, 1967; Jackson and Taylor, 1972). The principal rock type mapped in the Cumberland batholith in the Canon Inlet area is a late- to pink-weathering orthopyroxene-biotite monzogranite (unit P1m) that is massive to weakly foliated. Along a number of well exposed contacts, north of Ramsay River orthogneiss and Lake Harbour Group host rocks, indicating intrusion following initial juxtaposition of the orthogneiss and the suprastructural units. Siliclastic diorites of pink orthopyroxene-biotite monzogranite northeast of Crooks Inlet and north and east of Kimmimim Bay (Fig. 1), one of which has been dated at 1.65 Ga (Wodicka and Scott, 1997), are interpreted as part of the Cumberland magmatic system.

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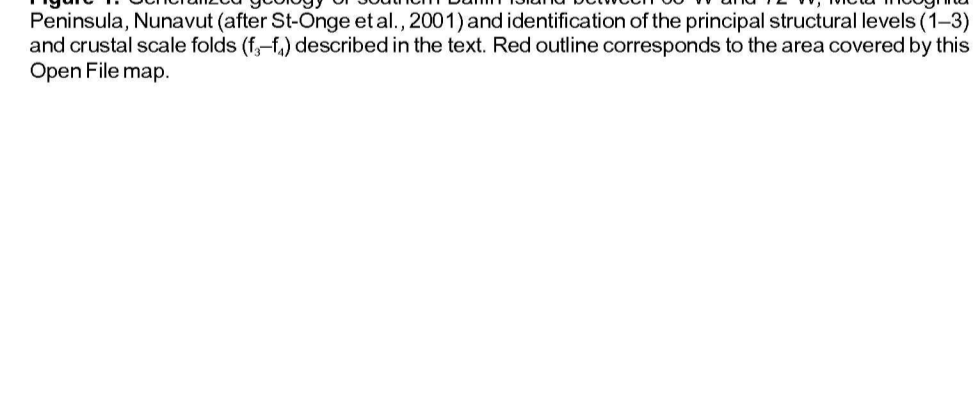
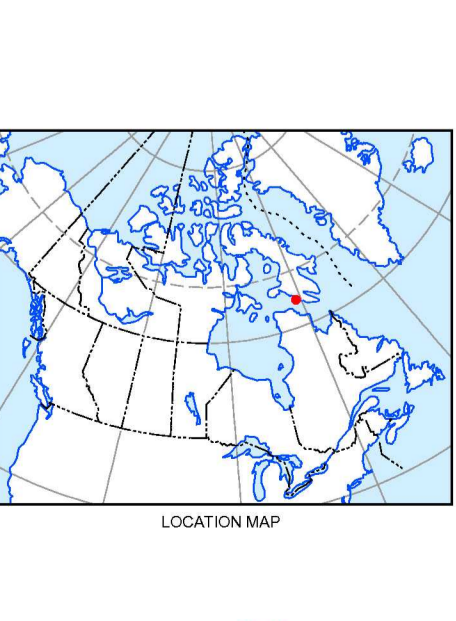


Figure 1. Generalized geology of southern Baffin Island between 68°W and 72°W, Meta Incoquina Peninsula, Nunavut (after St-Onge et al., 2001) and identification of the principal structural levels (1–3) and crustal scale folds (F1–F4) described in the text. Red outline corresponds to the area covered by the Open File map.



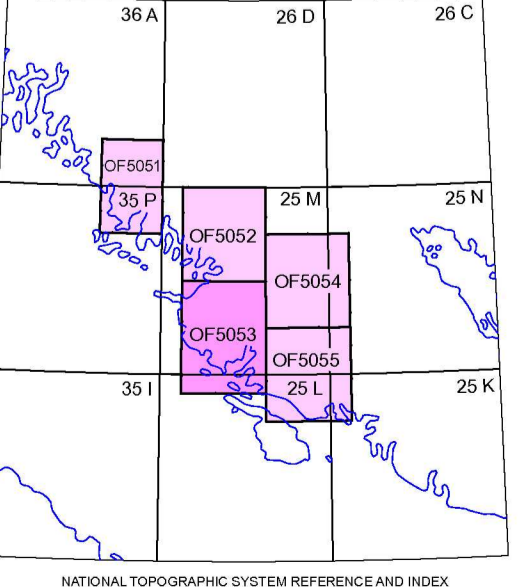
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