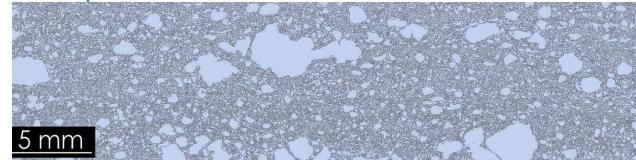
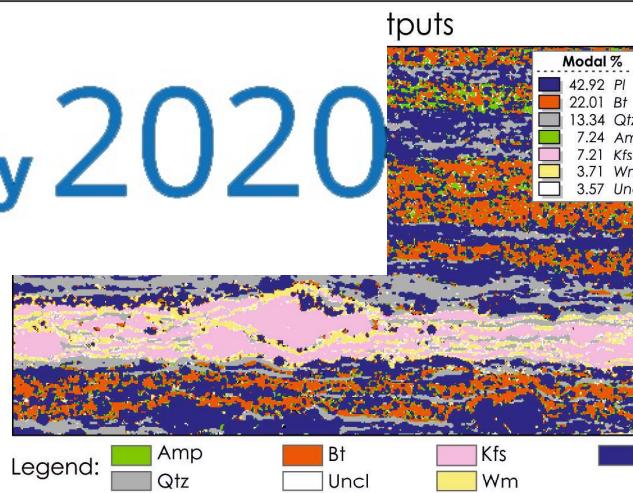




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Legend: Grain polygons ($N_{Grains} = 102,710$)

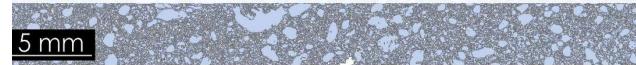


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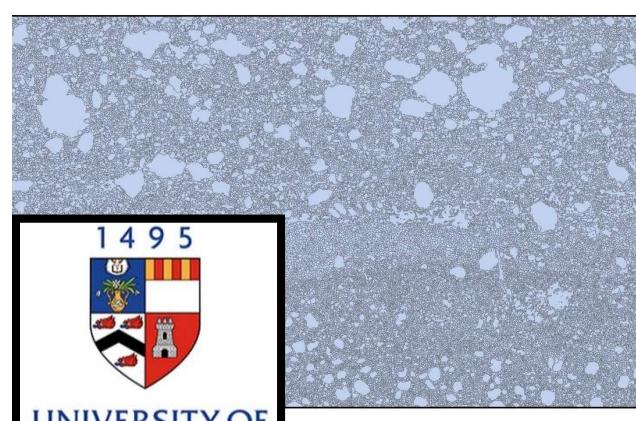
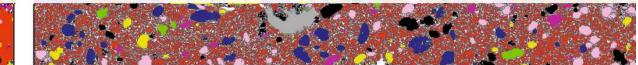
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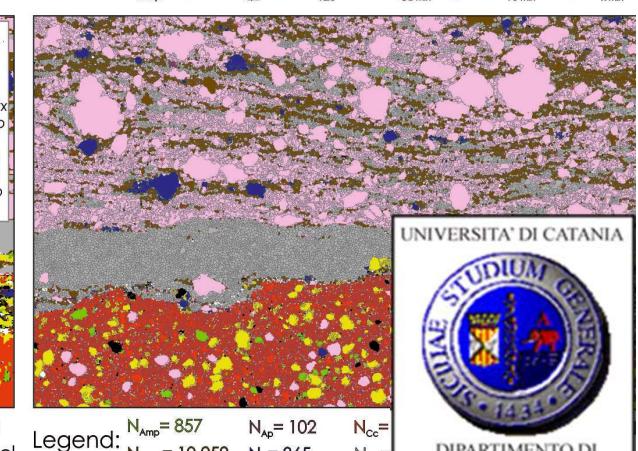
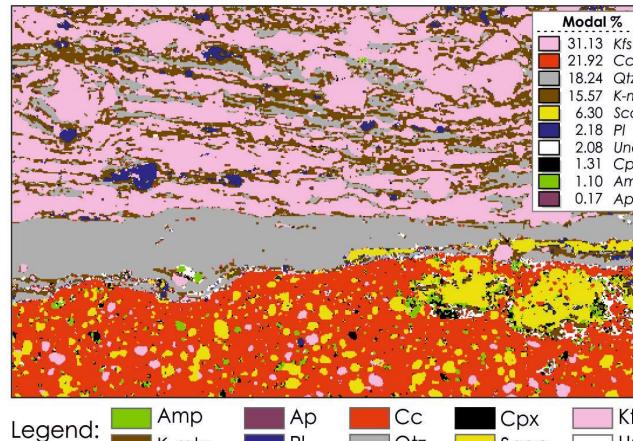
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Legend: Grain polygons ($N_{Grains} = 71,215$)



Grains ($N_{Grains} = 78,456$)



Quantitative image analysis of thin sections or polished slabs of deformed rocks is an essential step for extrapolating statistically meaningful fabric parameters



Many authors from the half of '90 developed several methods to solve two main problems:

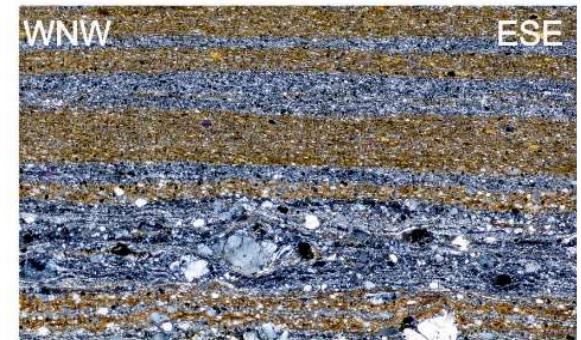
- 1) Grain Boundary Detections
- 2) Mineral phase recognition

Using several theoretical approaches and several kind of input images

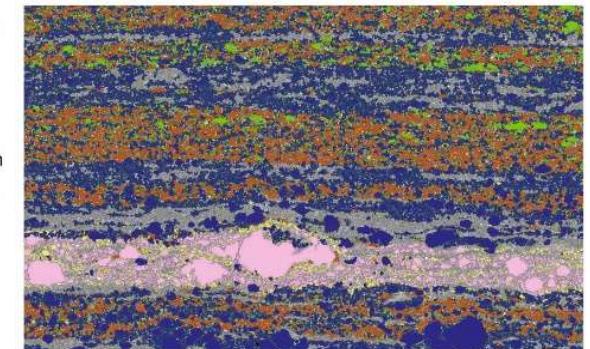


Starting from the most used theoretical approaches, Supervised classification of μ XRF maps were here combined with elaboration derived from high-resolution thin section scans within new GIS-based package tools, specified for structural analysis

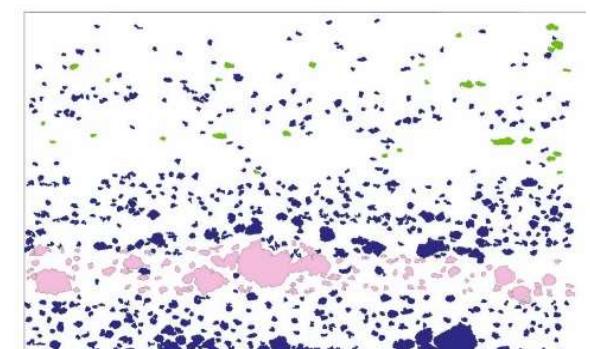
HD thin section scans



Classified thin section image



Fabric analysis of porphyroblast



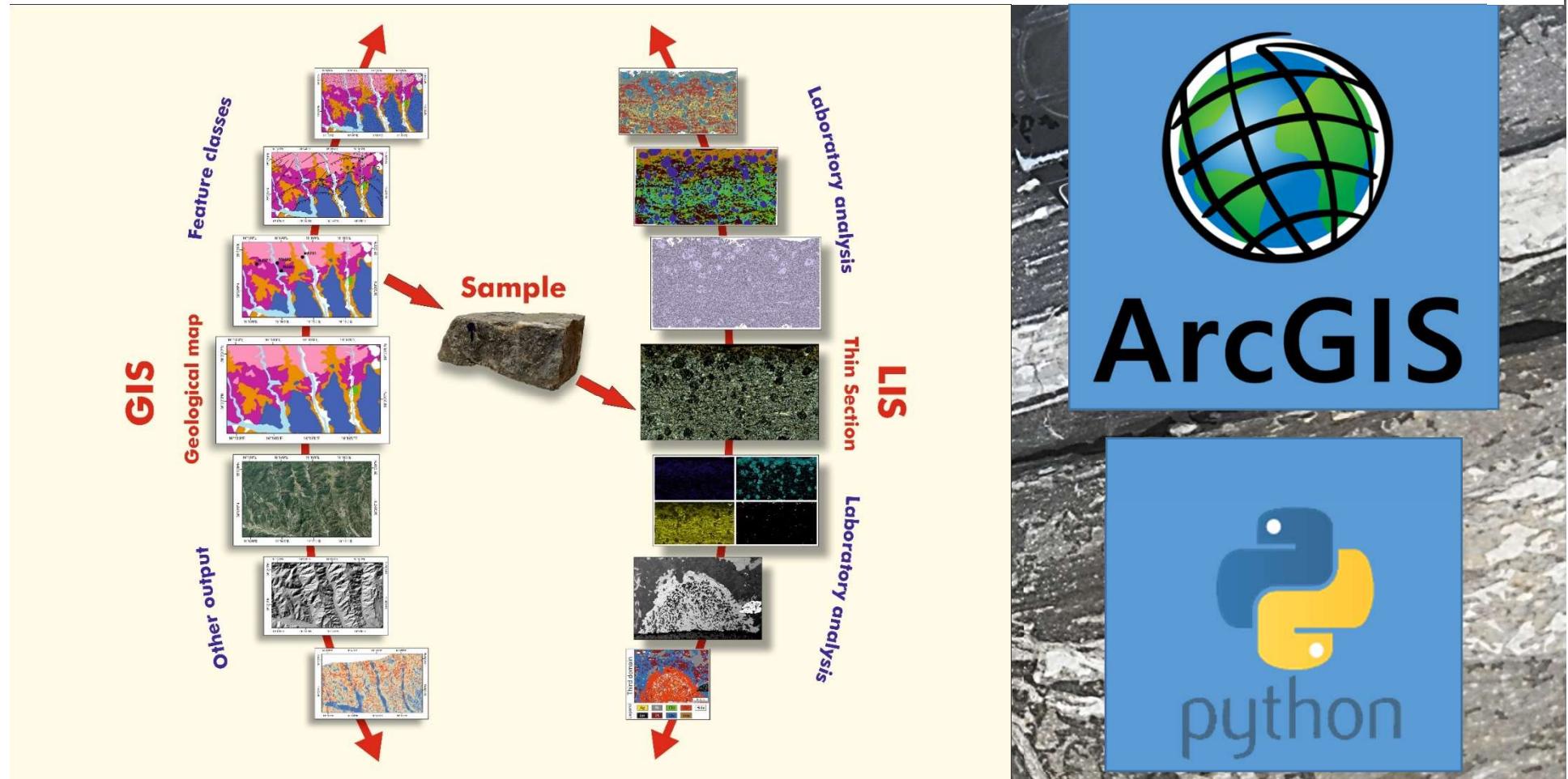
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Most of the used algorithms for segmentation and grain boundaries detection purposes are implemented in many image processing software



Nevertheless just few of them well integrate most of the best performed ones with the possibility to automatize them in complex operational sequences, storing at the same time all the potential derivative mineral-chemical and textural features within a user-friendly database

These new tools allows the users to quantitatively extrapolate several microstructural features such as **grain size and grain shape distribution of all of the grains subdivided per mineral types**

GRAIN SIZE
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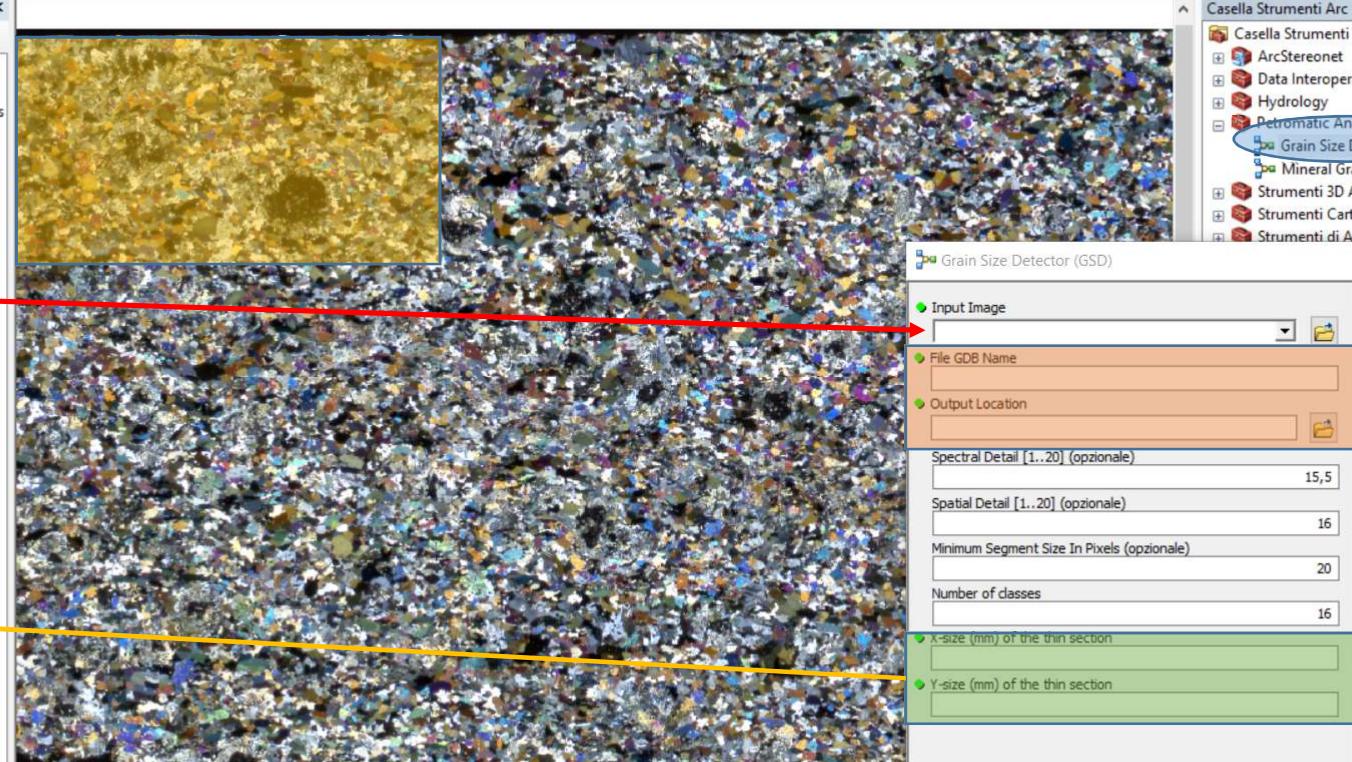
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ANALYZER

MINERAL GRAIN
SIZE DETECTOR

DERIVATIVE FABRIC
PARAMETERS

Grain Size Detector (GSD): Input image and graphical interface

X and Y DIMENSION OF THE THIN SECTION SCANS



The screenshot shows the ArcMap interface with a thin section scan (JSG_example.jpg) loaded into the map view. The scan is composed of three color bands: Red (Band_1), Green (Band_2), and Blue (Band_3). A red arrow points from the 'Input Image' field in the 'Grain Size Detector (GSD)' dialog box to the thin section scan. Another yellow arrow points from the 'X-size (mm)' and 'Y-size (mm)' fields in the dialog box to the bottom right corner of the thin section image, indicating the dimensions being set.

Input Image

The high resolution thin section optical scan/micrograph to be used as input imagery.

NOTE: Thin section scan resolution should be at least 4800 dpi.

Name of the geodatabase file and output location

Grain Size Detector (GSD)

- Input Image
- File GDB Name
- Output Location
- Spectral Detail [1..20] (optional): 15,5
- Spatial Detail [1..20] (optional): 16
- Minimum Segment Size In Pixels (optional): 20
- Number of classes: 16
- x-size (mm) of the thin section
- y-size (mm) of the thin section

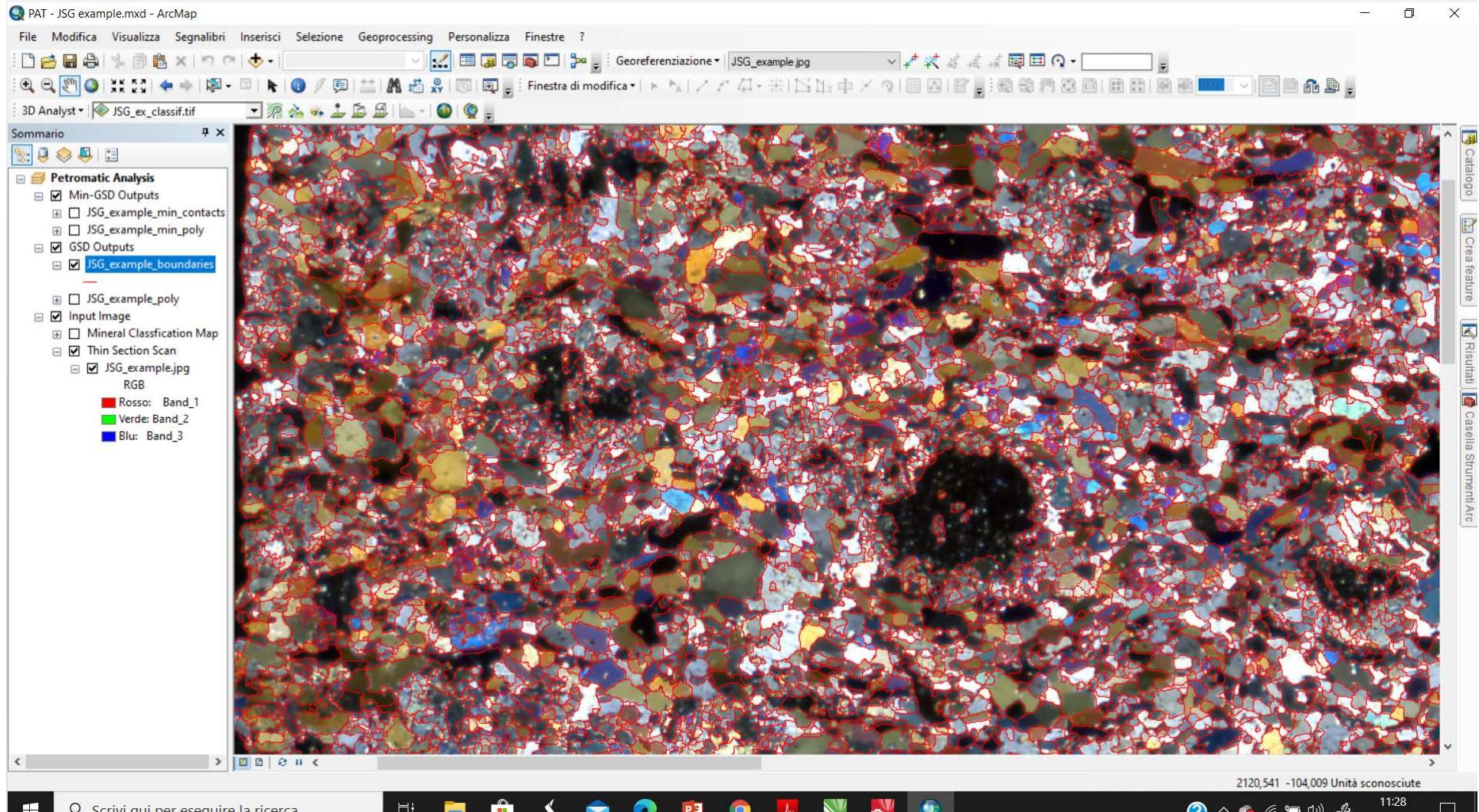
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Geoprocessor used to outline boundaries between different objects from a high resolution thin section scan or a micrograph. It allows to create maps of polygon objects representing

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Grain Size Detector (GSD): Output of the Grain Size Detection



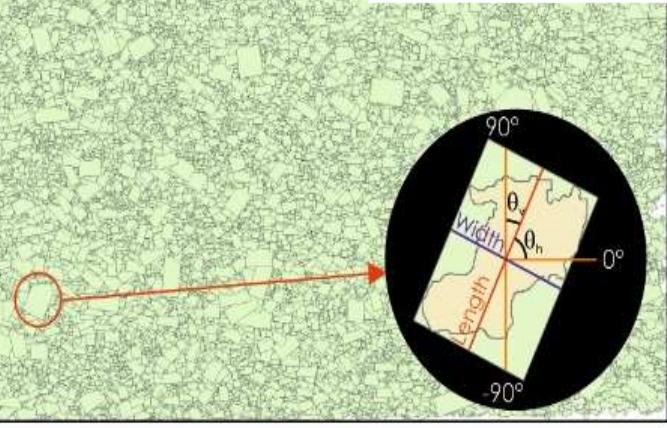
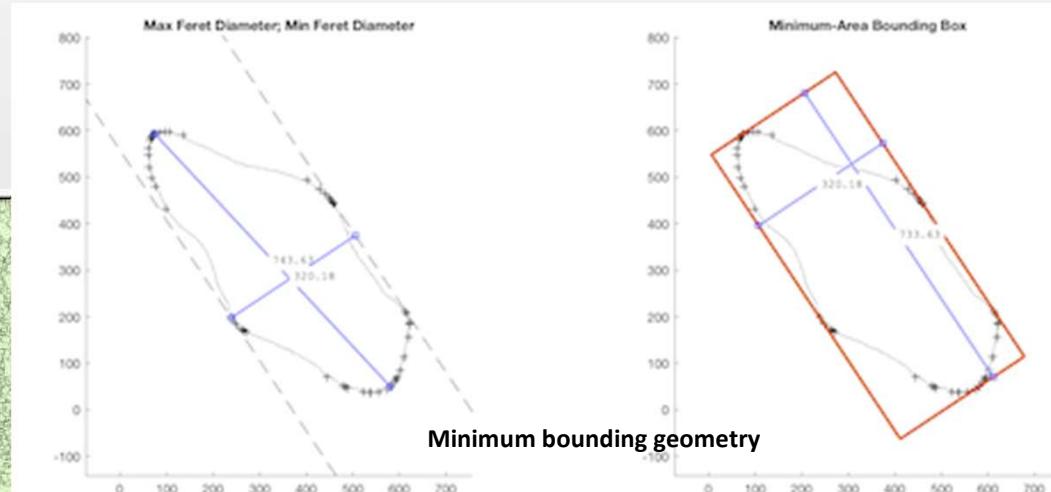
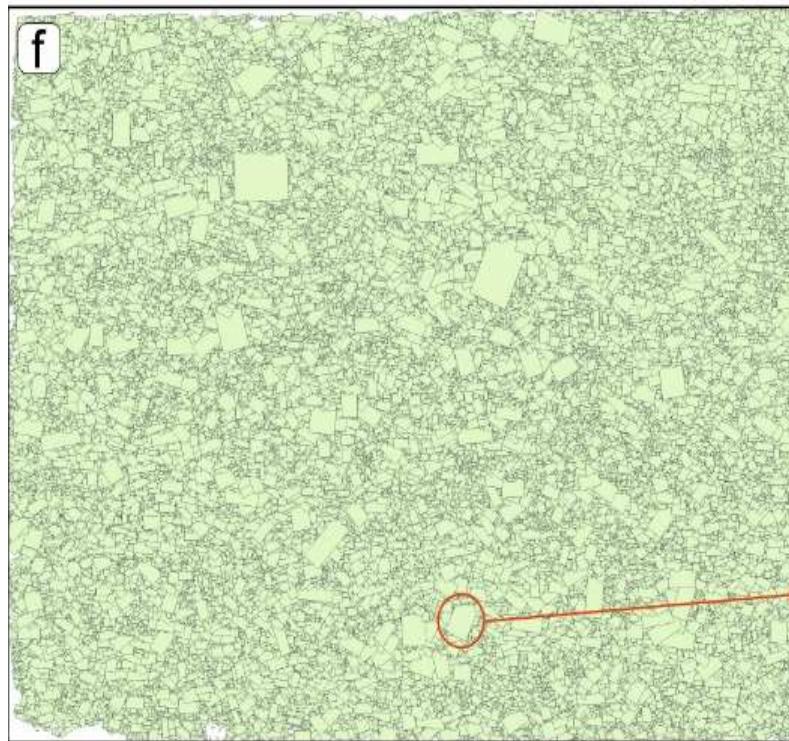
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Grain Size Detector (GSD): Output of the Minimum Boundary Geometry algorithm



Mineral Grain Size Descriptors

Fundamental Size factors

Grain Area (A)
(Total number of pixel
within polygon)

Grain Perimeter (P)
(Total number of pixel
along grain boundary)

Grain Length (L)
(Total number of pixel
along the long axis)

Grain Width (W)
(Total number of pixel
along the short axis)



Conversion factors

$$((X_{mm} / X_{px}) + (Y_{mm} / Y_{px})) / 2 * \text{Grain Area}$$

$$((X_{mm} / X_{px}) + (Y_{mm} / Y_{px})) / 2 * \text{Grain Perimeter}$$

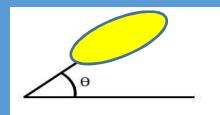
$$((X_{mm} / X_{px}) + (Y_{mm} / Y_{px})) / 2 * \text{Grain Length}$$

$$((X_{mm} / X_{px}) + (Y_{mm} / Y_{px})) / 2 * \text{Grain Width}$$

Mineral-Grain Shape Factors

Derivative shape factors

Grain Orientation



EQPC Diameter

$$D_a = 2\sqrt{\frac{A}{\pi}}$$

Axial Ratio (AR)

$$AR = \frac{L}{W}$$

Aspect Ratio (AsR) and Bretherton shape factor

$$AsR = \frac{1}{AR} = \frac{W}{L}$$

$$B^* = (M_x^2 - M_n^2) / (M_x^2 + M_n^2)$$

Elongation (E)

$$E = (\pi * L^2) / (4 * A)$$

Roundness (R)

$$R = \frac{4A}{\pi L^2} = \frac{1}{E}$$

Circularity (C)

$$C = \frac{4A}{PL}$$

Ellipticity (El)

$$El = \frac{\pi L^2}{2A}$$

Compactness (Cp)

$$Cp = \frac{P^2}{4\pi A}$$

Straightness (S)

$$S = L / P$$

Grain Shape Factor (GSF)

$$\text{Grain shape factor } GSF = \left(\frac{L}{W}\right)^{0.318} \cdot \frac{P}{2\sqrt{A}}$$

Grain Shape Index (GSI)

$$\text{Grain shape index } GSI = \frac{2\pi\sqrt{A/\pi}}{L}$$

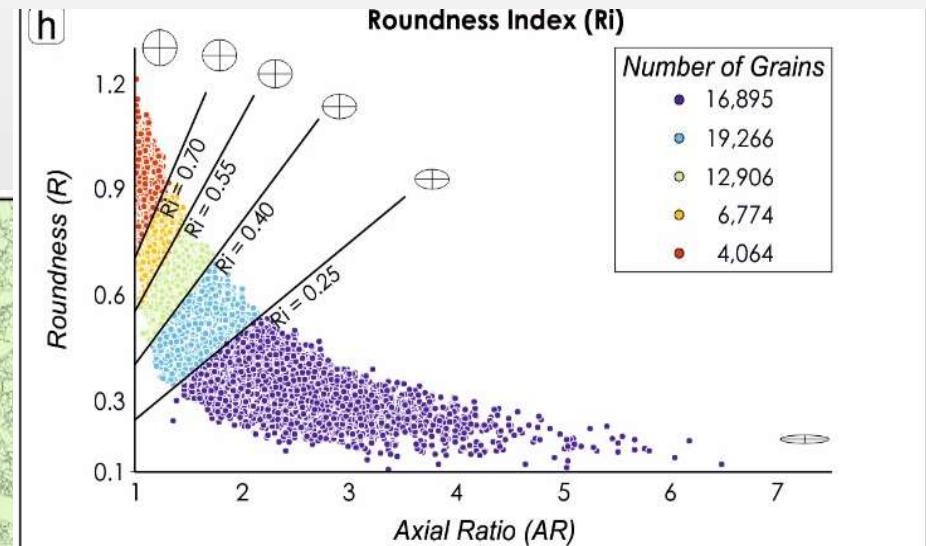
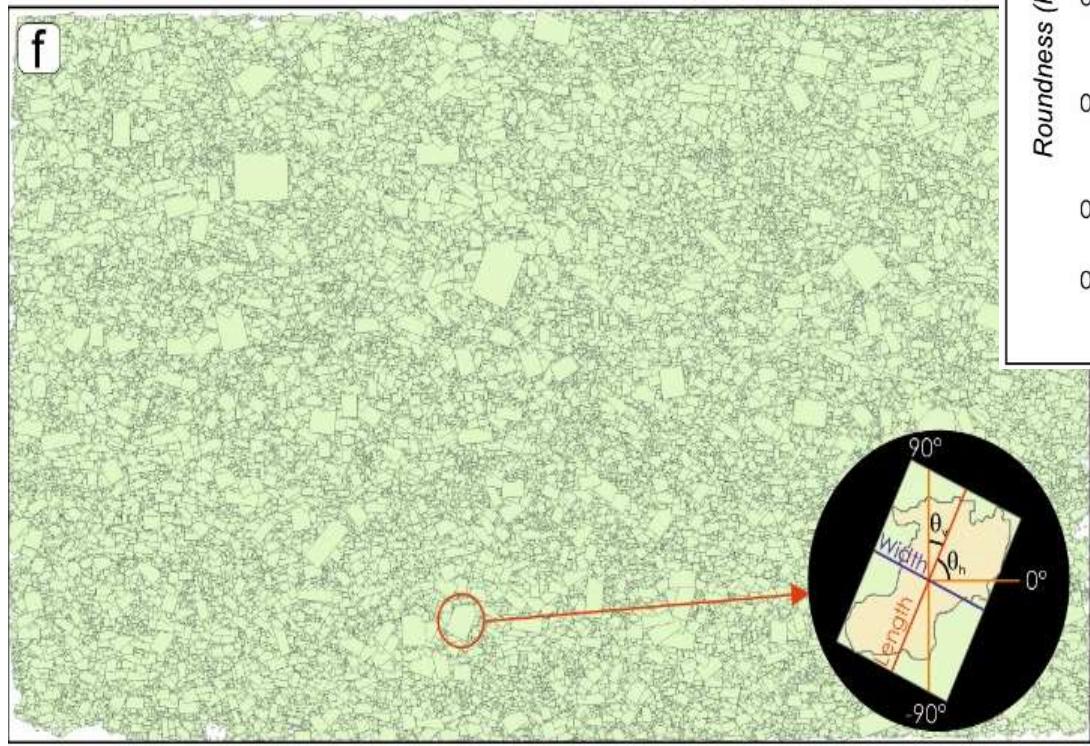
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Grain Size Detector (GSD): Plot of the grains clustered per roundness index



XRMA vs. Q-XRMA

μ -XRF maps



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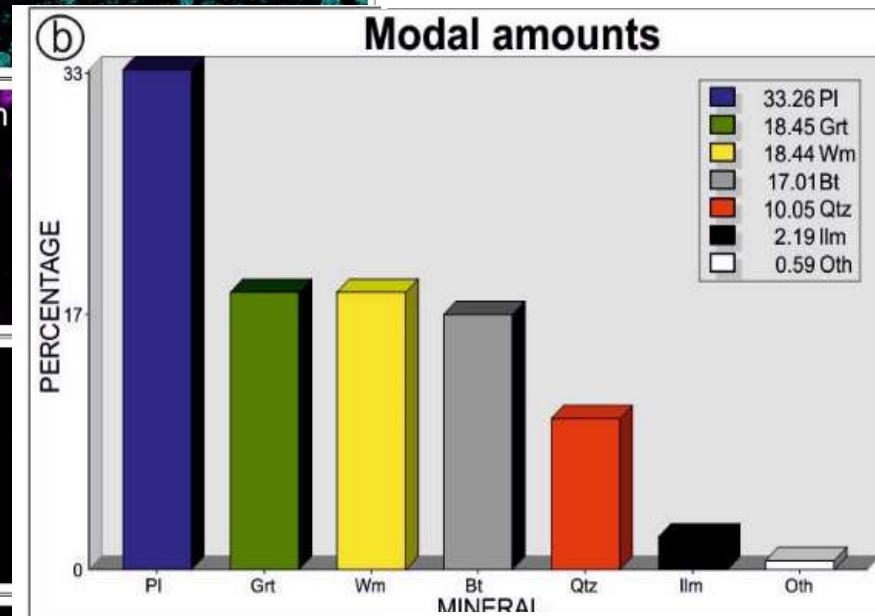
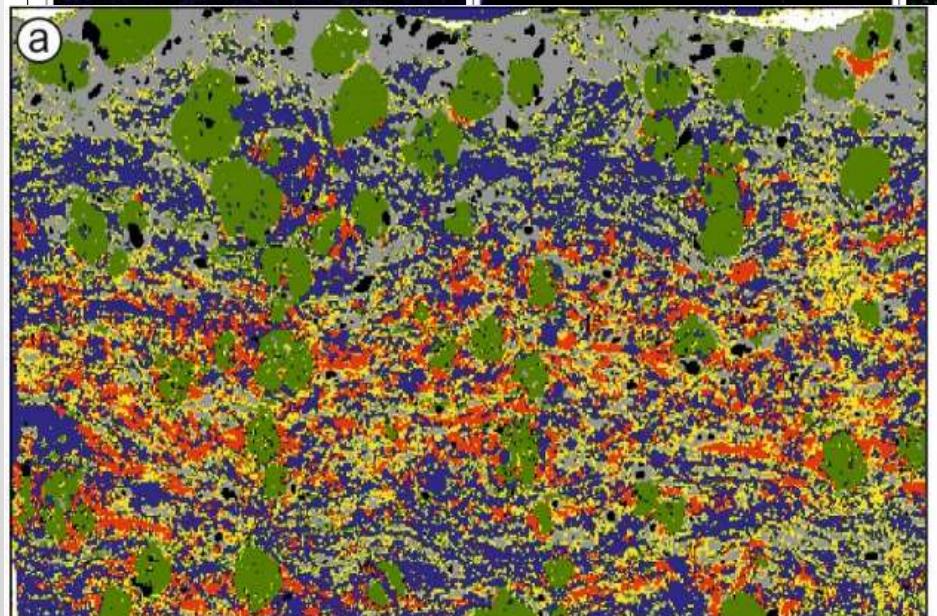


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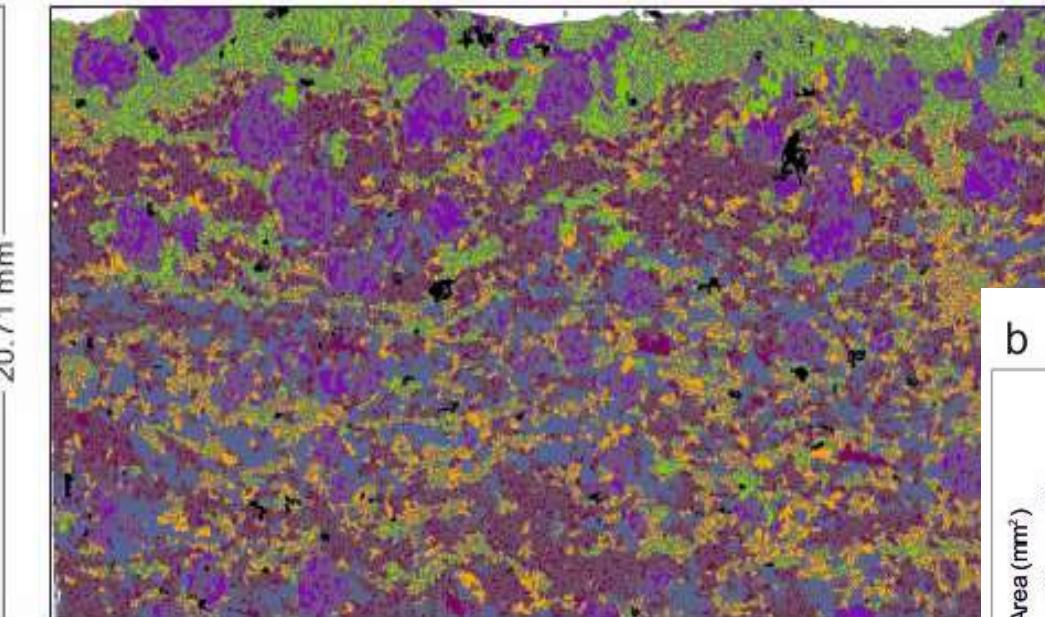
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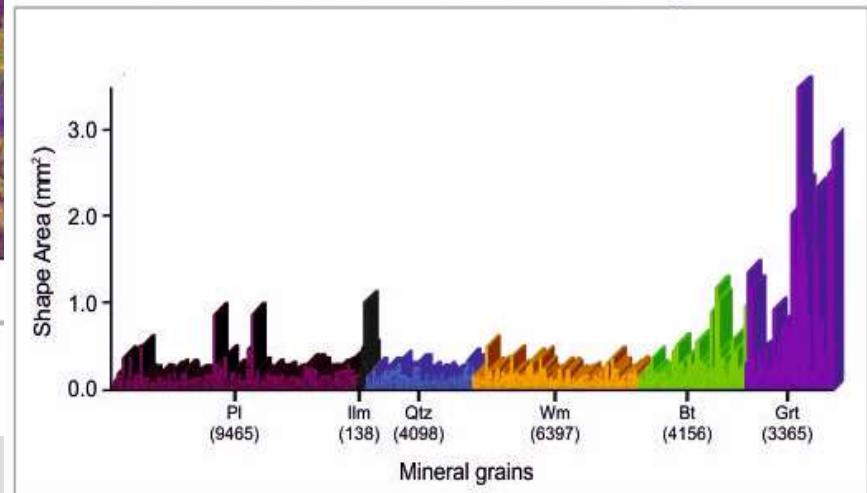
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Mineral grain boundaries map



b Surface distribution of mineral grains



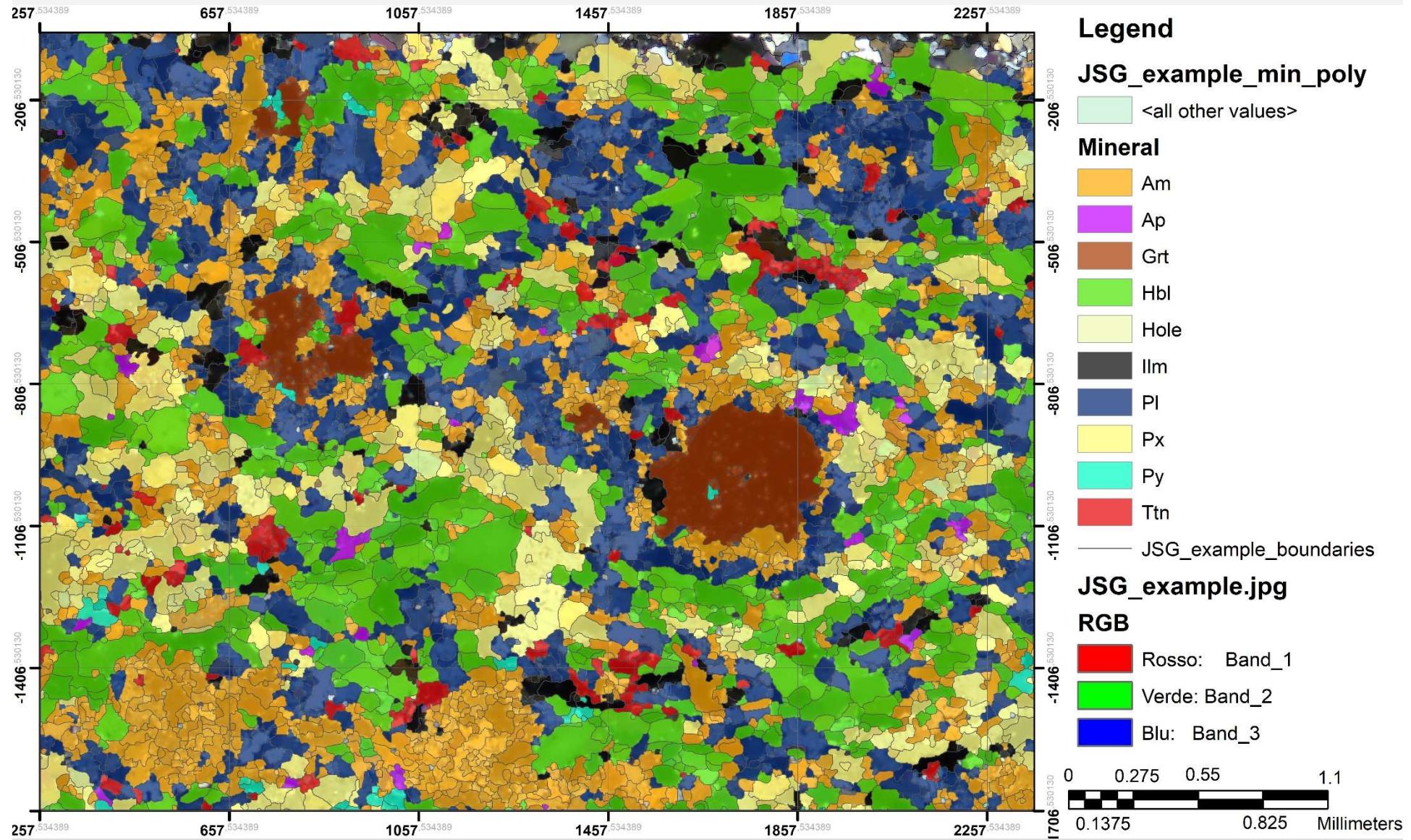
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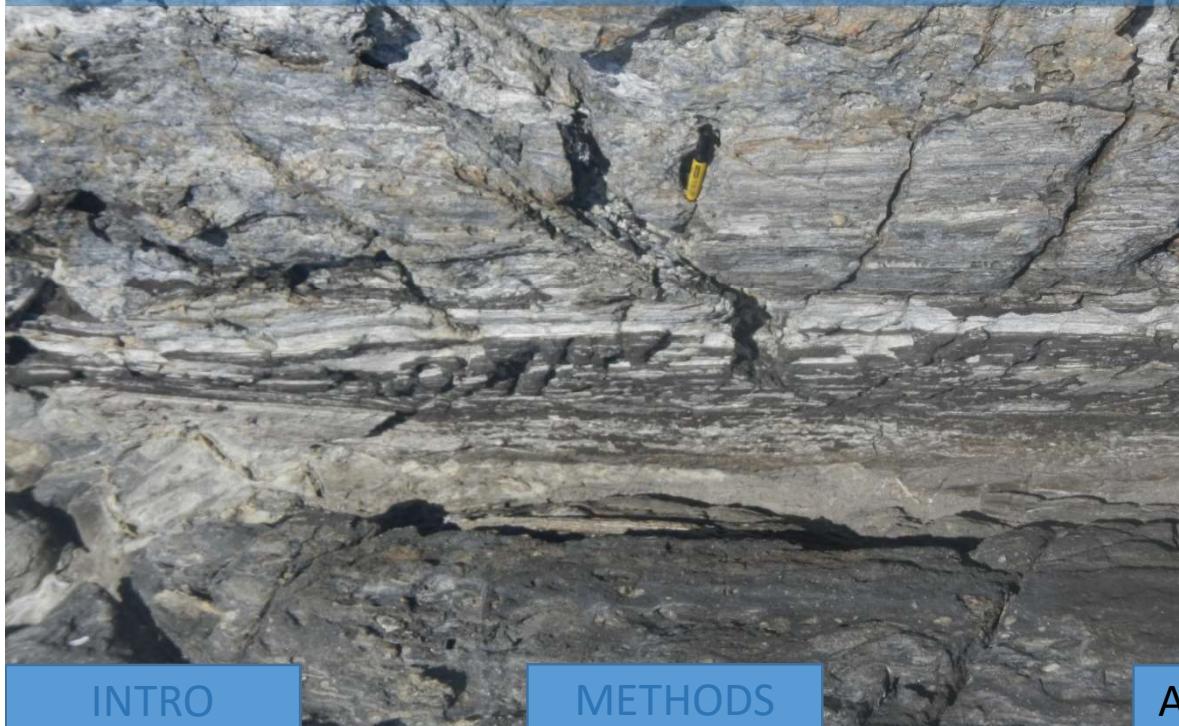
EXAMPLE OF ALPHANUMERICAL DERIVATIVE DATA AUTOMATICALLY CALCULATED FOR EACH RECOGNISED GRAIN

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Long Axis (mm)		0,429	0,587	0,806	1,291	0,373	0,336	0,450
Short Axis (mm)		0,233	0,349	0,318	0,376	0,306	0,280	0,404
Angle of Long axis perpendicular to the main foliation	90,000	90,000	74,358	90,000	159,775	70,560	70,346	
Axial Ratio (R)		1,841	1,682	2,536	3,437	1,218	1,200	1,116
Aspect Ratio		0,543	0,595	0,394	0,291	0,821	0,833	0,896
Area (mm ²)		0,072	0,158	0,182	0,333	0,087	0,063	0,129
Elongation		2,008	1,712	2,795	3,928	1,254	1,413	1,231
Roundness		0,498	0,584	0,358	0,255	0,797	0,708	0,813
Perimeter		1,193	1,744	1,989	3,331	1,211	1,122	1,537
Circularity		0,562	0,618	0,455	0,310	0,771	0,666	0,747
Compactness		1,578	1,531	1,727	2,653	1,340	1,595	1,455
Grain Shape Index		2,216	2,400	1,878	1,584	2,804	2,642	2,830
Grain Shape Factor		2,702	2,586	3,131	4,274	2,185	2,371	2,213
Straightness		0,359	0,337	0,405	0,387	0,308	0,300	0,293
Equal Area Projected Circle Diameter (mm)		0,302	0,449	0,482	0,651	0,333	0,283	0,406
Ellipticity		4,017	3,424	5,589	7,856	2,508	2,826	2,461
Angle of Long axis with respect the main foliation	0,000	0,000	15,642	0,000	-69,775	19,440	19,654	
Mineral	PI	PI	PI	PI	PI	PI	PI	PI
B* (Bretherton shape factor))	0,544	0,478	0,731	0,844	0,195	0,180	0,109	

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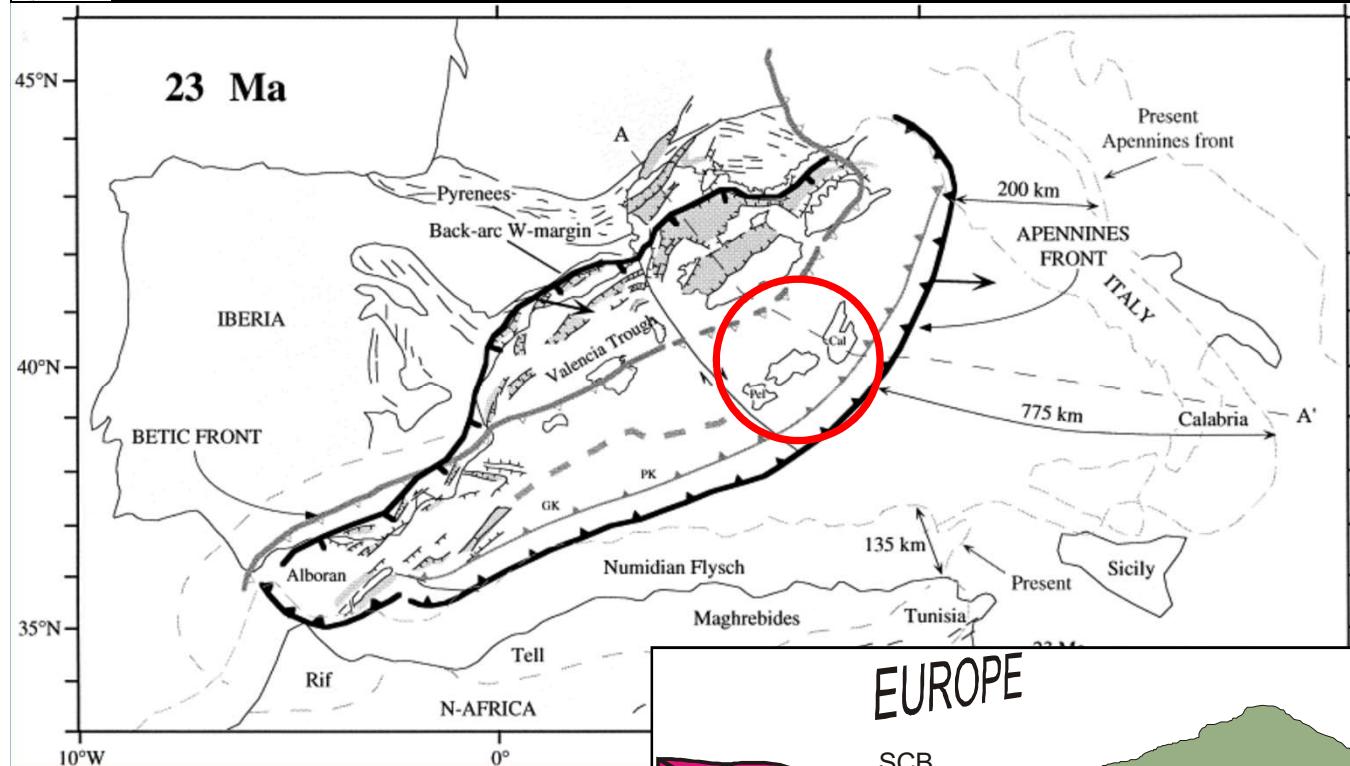


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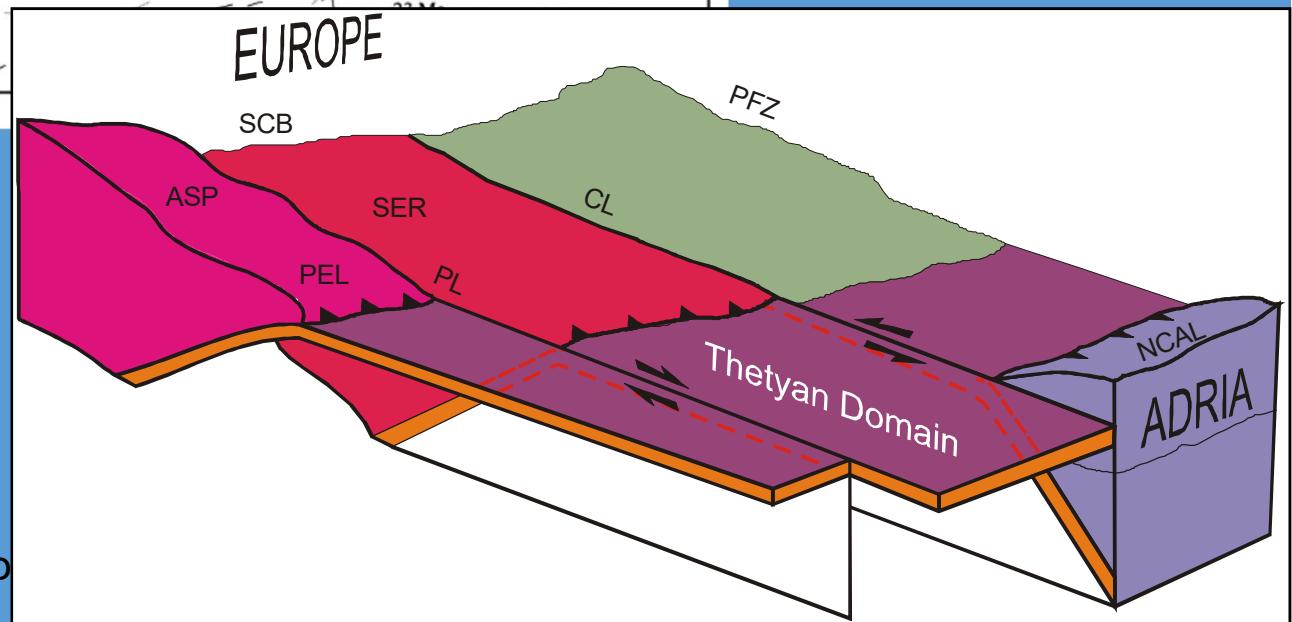
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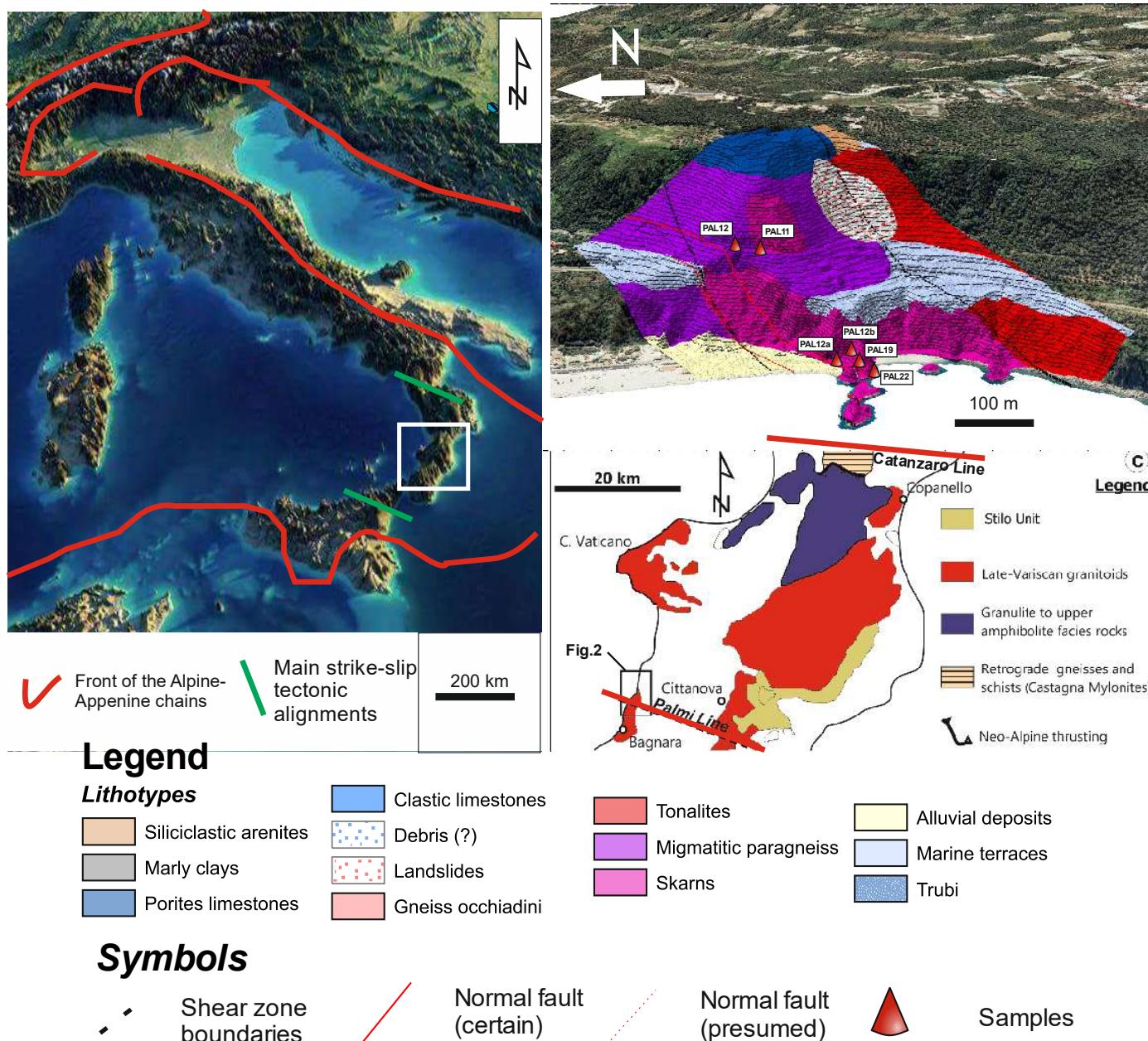


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3D Block diagram of the pre-collisional paleo-geodynamic scenario of the CPO within the central Mediterranean area (NCAL: Northern Calabria; ASP: Aspromonte; PEL: Peloritani; SER: Serre; SCB: Sardinia Corsica Block; PL: Palmi Line; CL: Catanzaro Line; PFZ: Pollino Fault Zone).



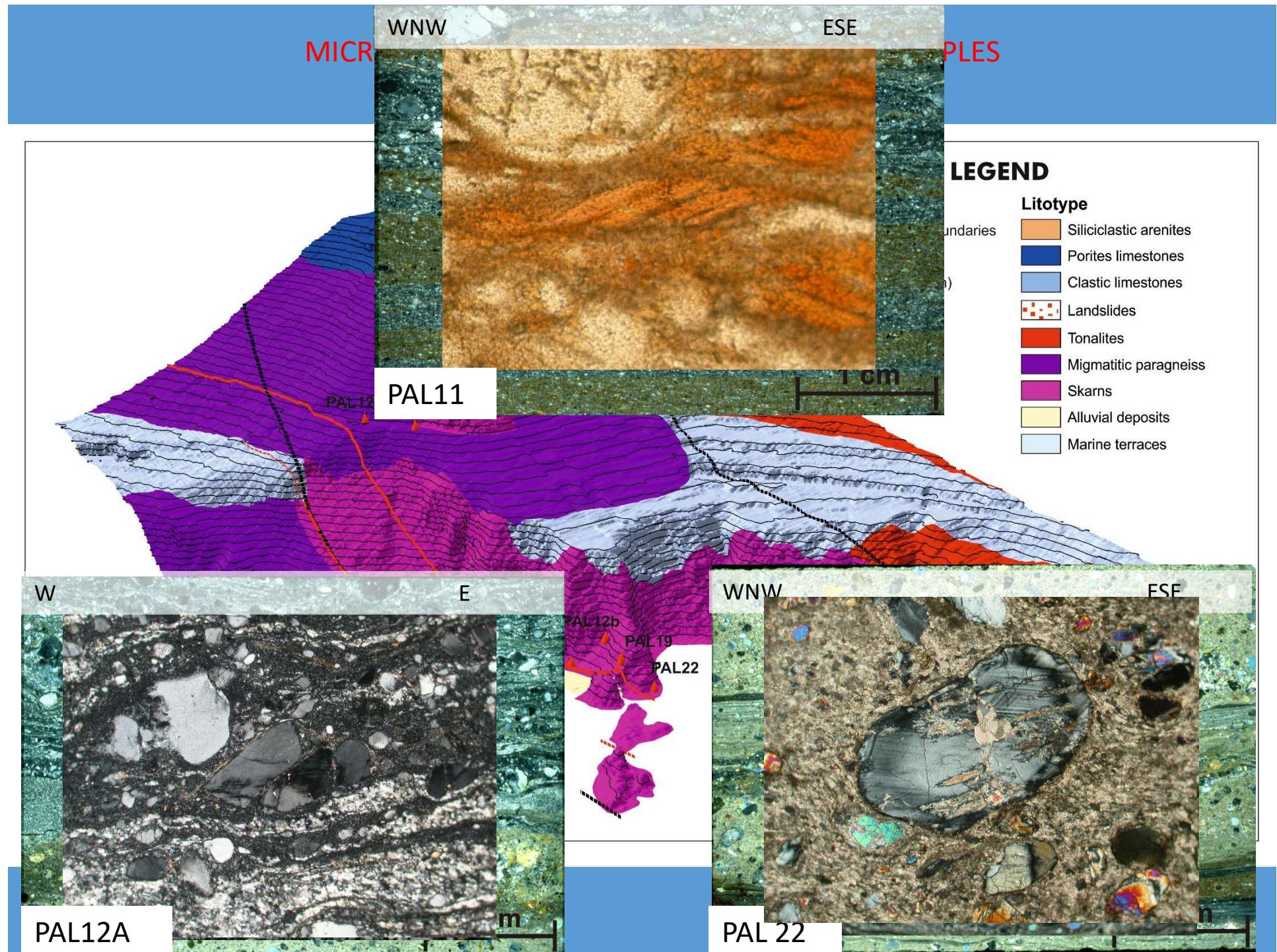


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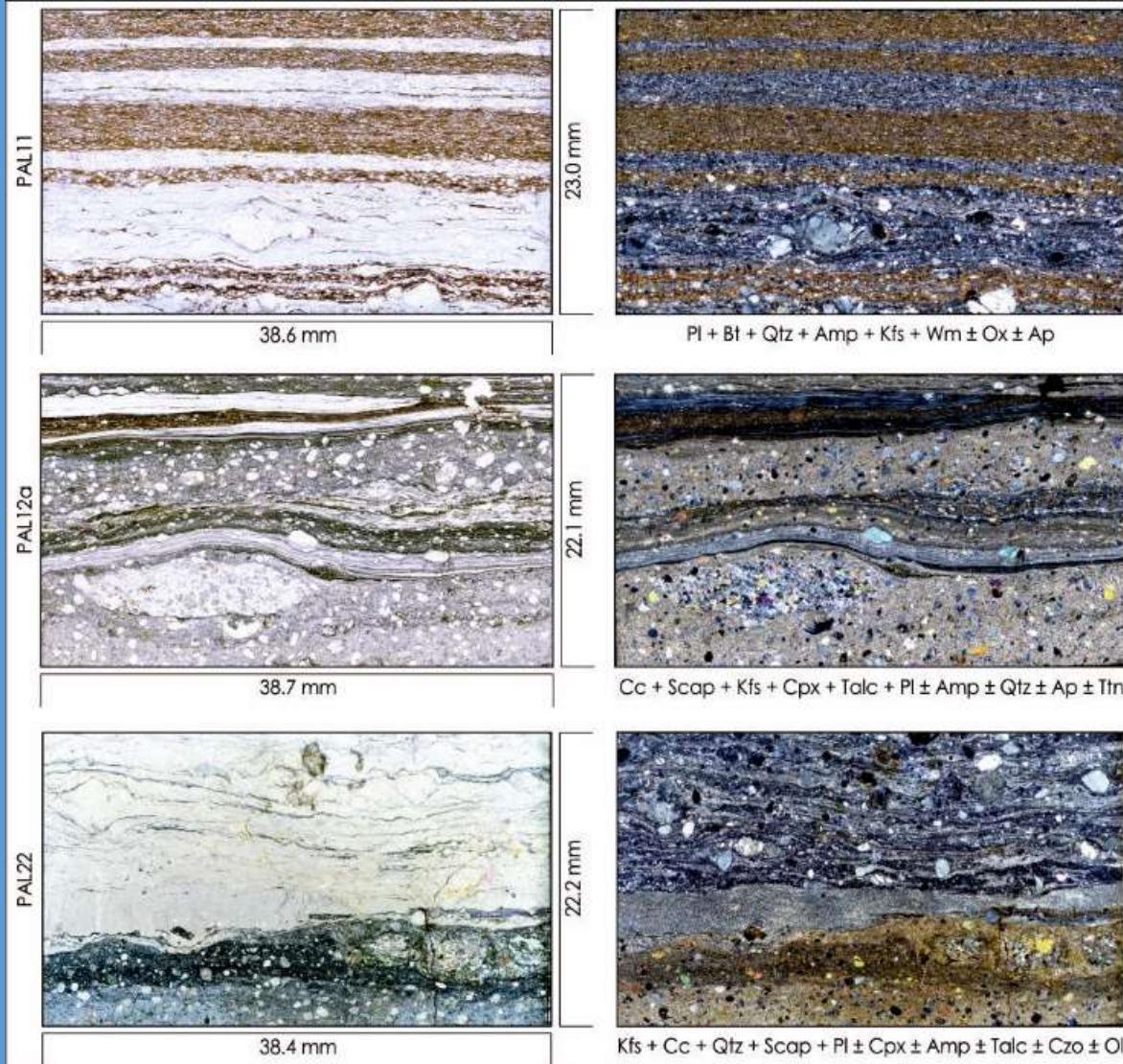
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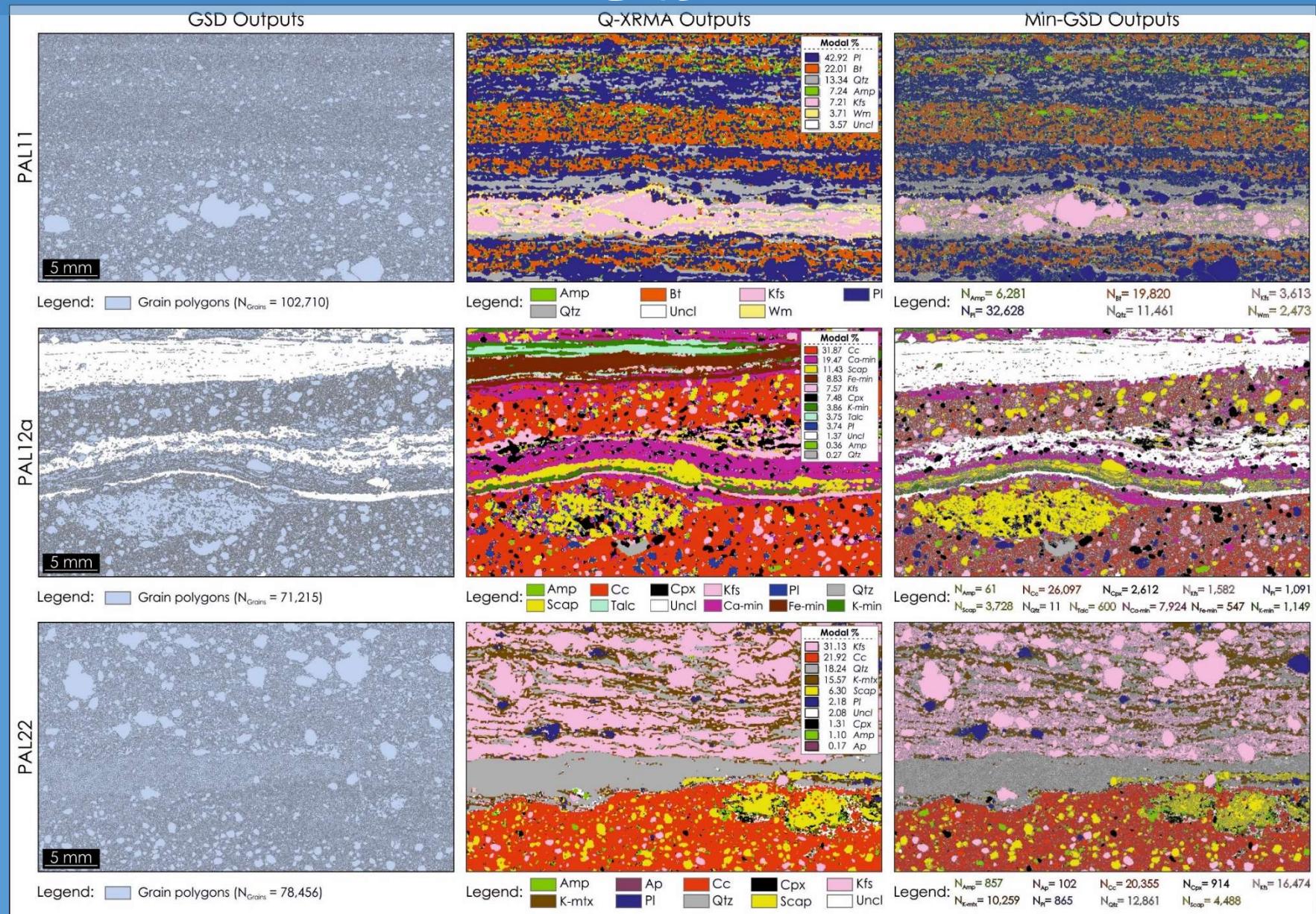
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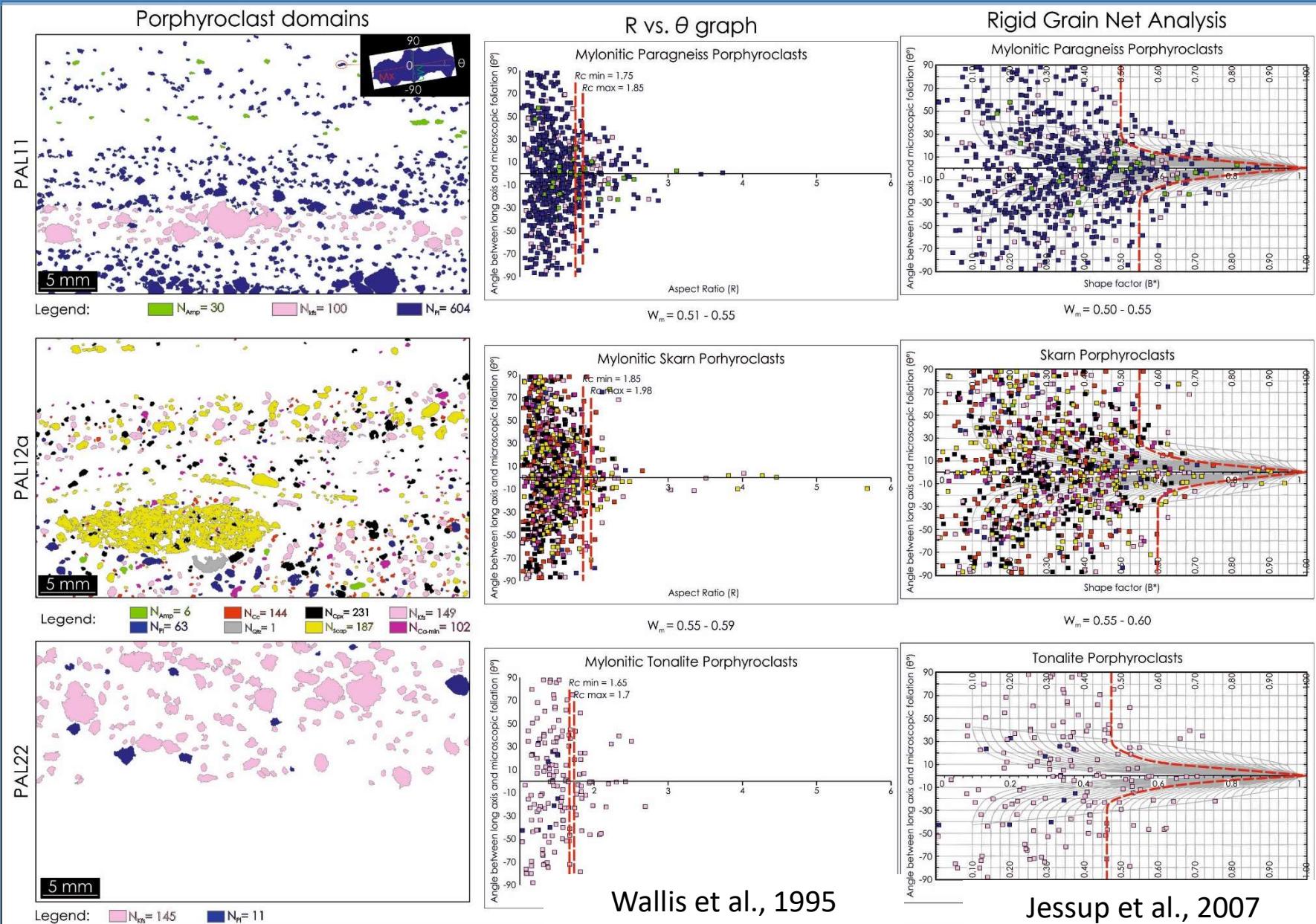
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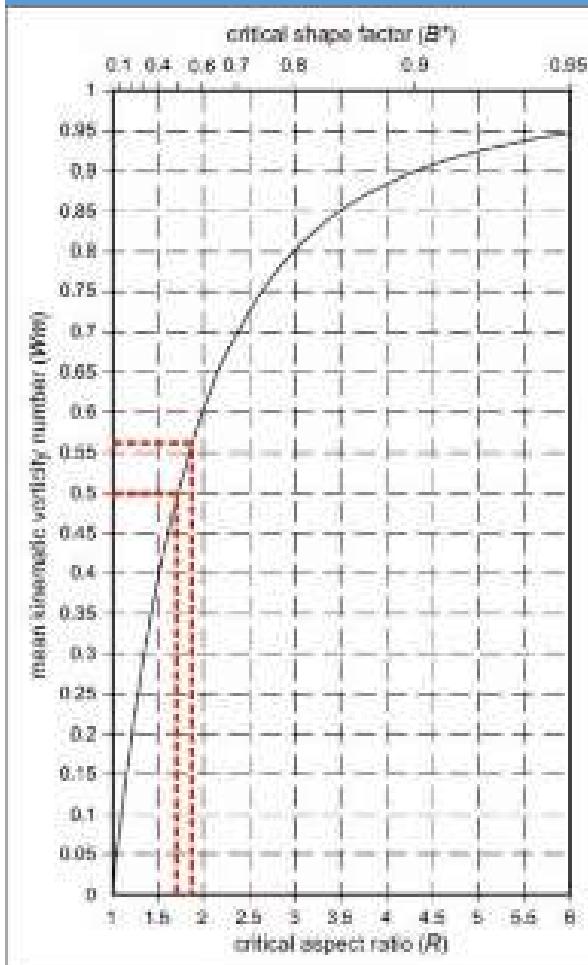
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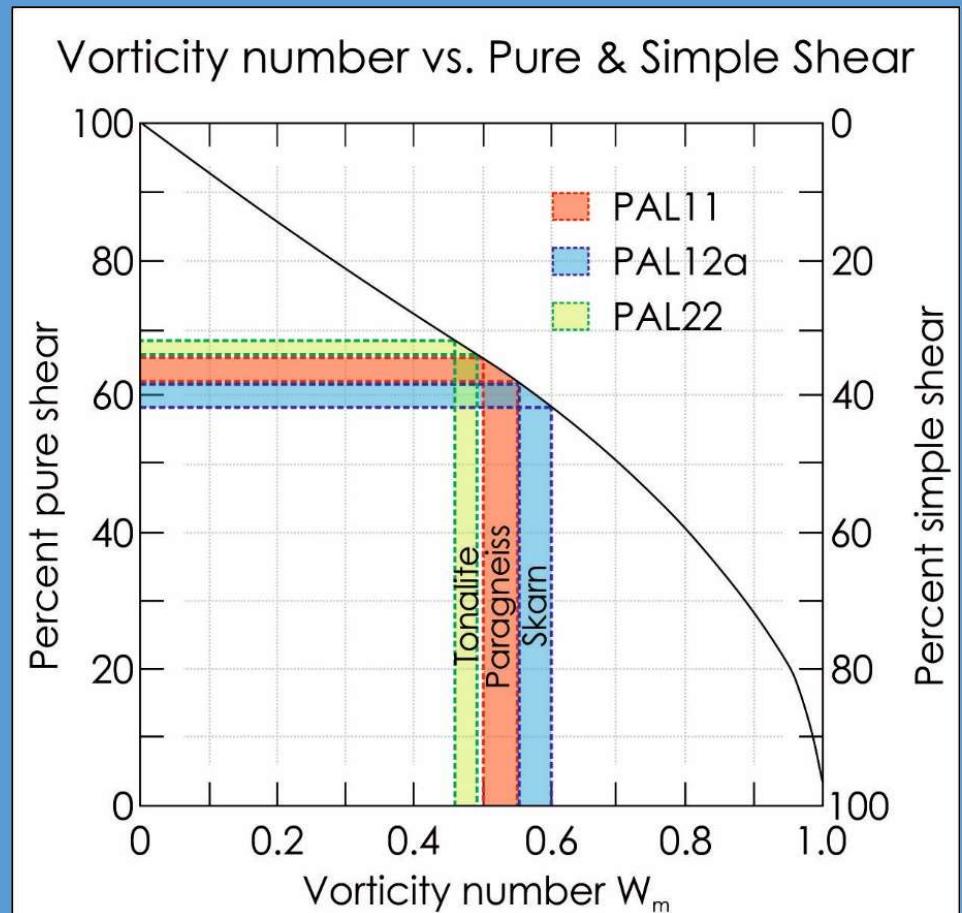
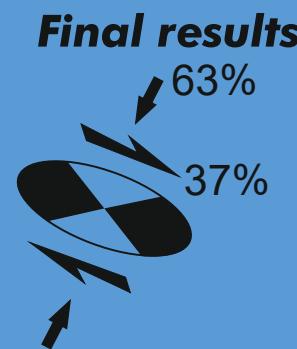
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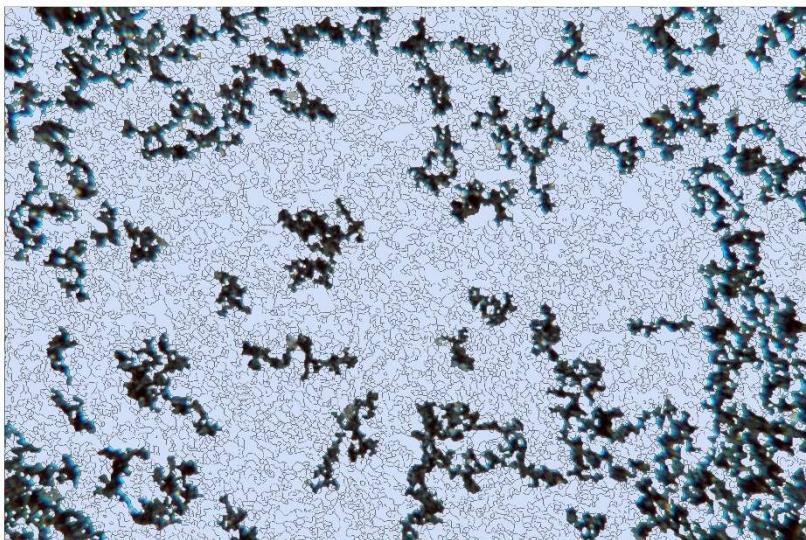
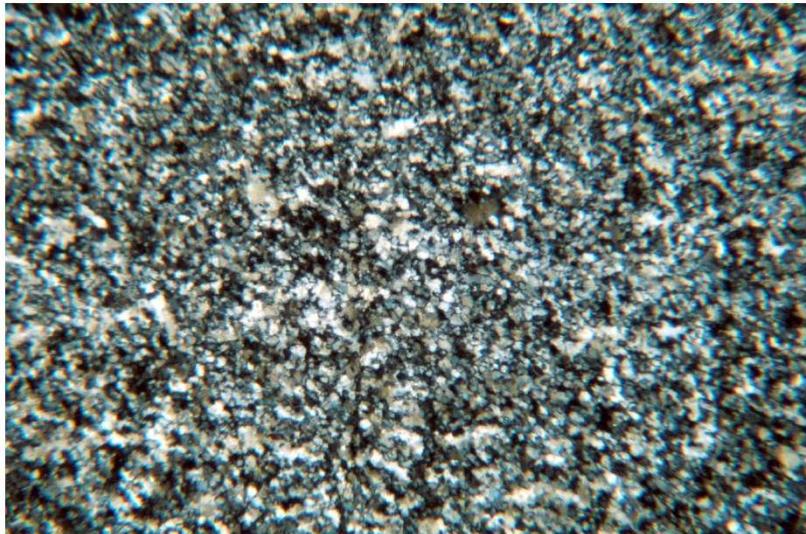
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Syn-mylonitic quartz grain boundaries analysis

Recrystallization regime: SGR and GBM

Quartz average grain-size 18 μm

$$\dot{\varepsilon} = A \sigma^n f_{H_2O}^m e^{(-Q/RT)}$$

Schimizu (2008) paleopiezometer

Preliminary shear Strain Rate $\varepsilon^\circ = 1,13E-11 \text{ 1/s}$

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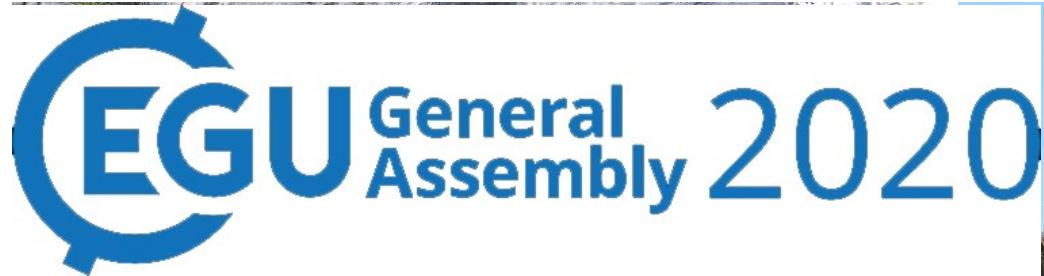
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The Micro-structural study of the PSZ allowed to affirm that:

1. Rock-types involved in the mylonitic shearing activity are characterized by a sub-vertical foliation mostly accommodated by the skarns and subordinately developed also in the tonalite and in the migmatitic paragneiss where the deformation tend to concentrate defining several narrow shear zones;
2. Image analysis of porphyroclastic domains has been used to infer the dominant shear-type through Rigid Grain Analysis, revealing a pure shear component of 66 to 68 % for the mylonitic tonalites; 62 to 66 % for the mylonitic paragneisses; and 58 to 62 % for the mylonitic skarn;
3. The shear strain rate, calculated on syn-mylonitic recrystallized quartz grains, ranges on average from 1.14×10^{-12} (1/s) for mylonitic paragneiss to 5.91×10^{-12} (1/s) for mylonitic tonalite, and is in accord with high strain zones in natural settings, applying the paleopiezometer of Shimizu (2008).



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