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ABSTRACT

Thick sequences of zeolitized tuff may form effective natural barriers against ground water migration of radionuclides from radioactive waste isolation facilities. In the Yucca Mountain area of the Nevada Test Site, a location under investigation for such a facility, drill hole UE25a-1 has penetrated tuffs of Tertiary age which contain two major zeolitized horizons at depths below 380 m. These horizons are restricted to low density, high porosity nonwelded tuffs below the basal vitrophyre of the Topopah Springs Member of the Paintbrush Tuff (approximately 70 m above the current water table), and interfinger with more-densely-welded devitrified tuffs of granophyric mineralogy. Zeolites occur as glass pyroclast replacement, vug linings, and fracture fillings. Nonwelded units above the welded portion of the Topopah Springs Member are essentially unaltered, indicating that they have never been ground water-saturated for any significant length of time.

Zeolite mineral assemblages appear to be characteristic of low temperature (<100°C) ground water alteration of glass in an open hydrologic system. The principal zeolite phase is high-Si clinoptilolite with Si/Al ratios of 4.7 to 6.0. Ca tends to be the dominant large-radius cation, but grains with dominant K or Na are not uncommon, particularly with increasing depth. Compositional variations in clinoptilolite may be due to ground water composition or original pyroclast composition.

Minor amounts of mordenite, characterized by lower silica content (<55 wt%) and high alkali content (>10 wt% Na₂O + K₂O), occur as vug fillings at depths below 500 m. Presence of mordenite may indicate slightly elevated alteration temperatures, but more likely reflects enrichment of ground water in alkalis with depth.

Mineralogical, compositional, and textural similarities of the zeolitized tuffs from UE25a-1 and J-13 are compatible with a single episode of crystallization.

I. INTRODUCTION

Thick pyroclastic deposits have been proposed as possible repository sites for geologic isolation of radioactive waste (Smyth et al., 1979). Many large volume silicic tuff units have undergone ground water or hydrothermal alteration with glassy material replaced by mixtures of zeolites and several other authigenic minerals. Tuff units composed mainly of secondary zeolite minerals may act as an effective barrier to the movement of buried radioactive waste as some zeolite minerals have high sorptive coefficients for large-radius cations (Smyth et al., 1979).

Within southern Nevada many thousands of cubic kilometers of rhyolitic tephra were erupted and deposited as pyroclastic flows and air-fall units during late Tertiary time. One result of this activity was the formation of the overlapping calderas of the Timber Mountain-Oasis Valley Caldera Complex. This volcanic field was developed on fairly low relief topography probably associated with basin-range normal faulting (Byers et al., 1976; Christiansen et al., 1977). Cumulative maximum thickness of the tuff sequences may locally exceed three thousand meters. The tuff units and calderas, ranging in age from 16 - 9 m.y., have been mapped and described in detail by Byers et al. (1976) and Christiansen et al. (1977) at the U.S. Geological Survey.

Exploratory drill hole UE25a-1 was drilled into Yucca Mountain tuff to a depth of 762 m, adjacent to the east side of Yucca Mountain (see Fig. 1; north-central part of the Topopah Spring SW 7.5' Quadrangle, Nye County, Nevada - lat. $36^{\circ}51'05''$, long. $116^{\circ}26'24''$). The drill site is located between north-south trending normal faults and crosses several major faults or fracture systems; fracture surfaces are coated with manganese, silica, iron oxides and calcite (Spengler et al., 1979). For detailed information on the drilling history and background geological data, see Spengler et al. (1979).

Drill hole UE25a-1 penetrated the Paintbrush Tuff, tuffaceous beds of Calico Hills, and the Crater Flat Tuff. The purpose of the drilling was to investigate the stratigraphy, structure, mineralogy, petrology and physical properties of the tuff units. This report will describe the results of the mineralogical and petrological investigations.

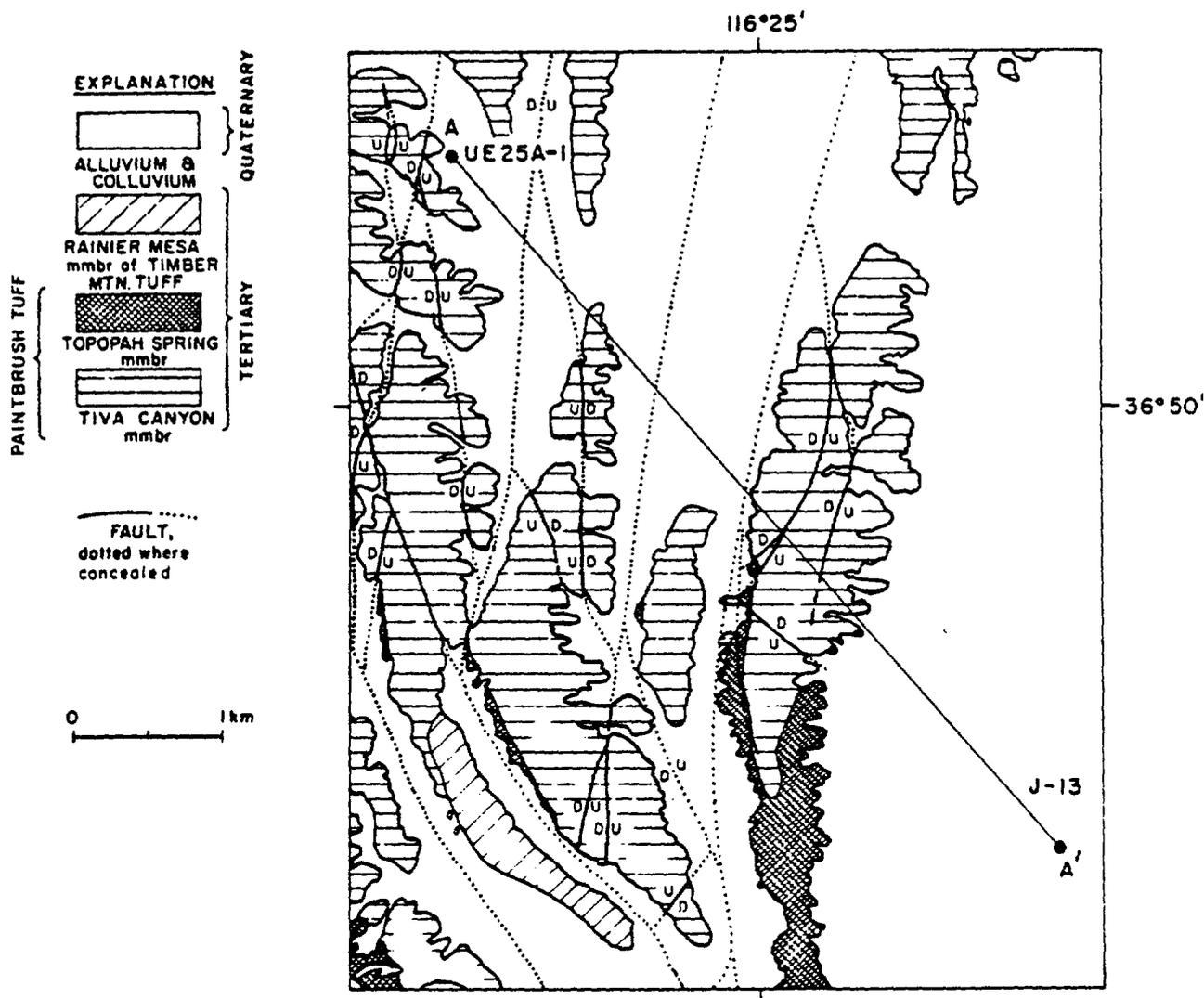


Fig. 1

Generalized geologic map of the Yucca Mountain area, Nevada Test Site, showing positions of drill sites UE25a-1 and J-13 (after Lipman and McKay, 1965).

II. SAMPLES AND ANALYTICAL TECHNIQUES

Core samples were obtained from UE25a-1 for drilling depths of 25.5 - 759.3 m; core from 143.0 - 226.8-m depth (YM-10 through -16) was waxed and wrapped, and therefore not available for analysis. Samples YM-20 and -21, from 206.4 and 223.3-m depth respectively, were later obtained from this interval.

Doubly polished thin sections cut normal to bedding were made of all samples, and additional sections cut parallel to bedding were prepared for samples YM-1 through -19. Modal analyses were determined using 300 to 500 points. Chemical analyses for individual phases in samples were obtained using a Cameca model CAMEBAX automated electron microprobe. A 10- μm^2 rastering beam of 15 kV with a beam current of about 1.5 nA was used in most analyses. Average analyses for selected phases are given in the Appendix.

Further phase identifications were made using Debye-Scherrer x-ray powder diffraction. Samples obtained from the cores were run for 6 - 12 hours with Ni-filtered Cu K α radiation. Results are included in Table I and the Appendix.

Bulk densities were obtained on cylinders cut from the UE25a-1 core and dried for 24 hours at 100°C (see Table I).

III. CLASSIFICATION AND TERMINOLOGY

The terminology used in this report follows that of Fisher (1961) and Cook (1965). Fisher's classification (Fig. 2) which is based on grain size, has been in world-wide use for many years. Cook's classification (Fig. 3) is based on relative proportions of vitric, crystal, and lithic pyroclasts (pyroclast being any fragment from explosive volcanic activity). The designation of pyroclastic rocks as 'vitric,' 'vitric-crystal,' etc., is based upon the original nature of the rocks, regardless of the amount of fresh glass remaining. This terminology thus gives the reader some idea of the volume of material that is easily altered during devitrification or by interaction with volatile phases.

To describe welded units that were emplaced as pyroclastic flows we use the term 'pyroclastic flow.' Many authors use the term 'ash flow,' but since most flows contain abundant coarse pumice pyroclasts (much coarser than 'ash' size) we prefer not to use that term. Also, for samples as restricted as cores, it is difficult to differentiate between air-fall or bedded and non-welded pyroclastic flow units; we therefore use the term 'nonwelded' for each. 'Tuff' refers to all consolidated pyroclastic deposits and will be used for almost all the units sampled.

The degree of welding in pyroclastic flow units is usually determined for unaltered rocks by density measurements; due to the degree of alteration in these rocks, this procedure may not accurately reflect welding variations. We

TABLE 1
AUTHIGENIC MINERALOGY OF UE25a-1 SAMPLES

<u>SAMPLE</u>	<u>STRATIGRAPHIC UNIT</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AUTHIGENIC PHASES^c</u>	<u>COMPOSITIONS^d</u>	<u>COMMENTS</u>
YM-1 (25.5) ^a	Tiva Canyon member of the Paintbrush Tuff	Devitrified densely welded vitric tuff with minor vapor phase crystalliza- tion (ND) ^b	Fibrous 1-2 μm wide (matrix) Spherulitic <750 μm diam (pumice) Euhedral tabular 50-400 μm long (vugs)	Mix 40% Cr + 60% KAF KAF, Cr	
YM-2 (48.0)	"	Devitrified densely welded vitric tuff with vapor phase crystallization(ND)	Granular <10 μm diam (matrix) Granular 20 μm diam (shards) Spherulitic 50-150 μm diam Euhedral equant 50-100 μm diam (vugs)	Mix 20% Cr + 80% KAF Mix 40% Cr + 60% KAF KAF, Cr	
YM-3 (57.0)	"	Devitrified moder- ately welded vitric tuff with minor vapor phase crys- tallization (ND)	Fibrous/granular 1-3 μm diam (matrix) Fibrous 1-2 μm wide (vugs) Spherulitic: xls 3-5 μm wide; <200 μm long (pumice)	Mix 40% Cr + 60% KAF Mix 20% Cr + 80% KAF	
YM-4 (68.9)	"	Nonwelded vitric- crystal tuff (ND)	Hydrated (?) glass at pyro- clast boundaries	NA	Crystal rich
YM-5 (76.5)	"	Non-welded vitric- crystal tuff (ND)	NA	NA	Pumice, lithic, and crystal rich
YM-6 (84.3)	Topopah Springs Member of the Paintbrush Tuff	Densely welded vitric-crystal tuff (ND)	NA	NA	Crystal rich
YM-7 (102.0)	"	Devitrified densely welded vitric- crystal tuff with vapor phase crys- tallization (ND)	Fibrous/granular <1 μm diam (matrix) Fibrous 3-5 μm wide x 200 μm long (pumice rim) Tabular subeuhedral <250 μm diam (pumice core)	Mix 30% Cr + 70% KAF Cr, KAF	Crystal rich
YM-8 (137.2)	"	Devitrified densely welded vitric tuff with minor vapor phase crystalliza- tion (ND)	Fibrous <3 μm diam (matrix) Granular patches <40 μm diam	Mix 25% Cr + 75% KAF Cr	
YM-9 (143.0)	"	Devitrified densely welded vitric tuff with vapor phase crystallization (ND)	Fibrous 1-3 μm wide (matrix, vug rims) Spherulites (pumice) Granular patches 30-100 μm diam	Mix 35% Cr + 65% KAF Mix 10% Cr + 90% KAF Cr, (KAF)	

YM-20 (206.4)	"	Devitrified moderately welded vitric tuff with vapor phase crystallization (2.25)	Fibrous/granular <8µm diam (matrix) Granular <10µm diam (pumice rims) Subanhedral 60-200µm diam (pumice core)	Mix 30% Cr + 70% KAF Cr, KAF	Lithic rich
YM-21 (223.3)	"	Devitrified moderately welded vitric tuff with minor vapor phase crystallization. (2.30)	Fibrous/granular <10µm diam (matrix) Fibrous 3-5 µm wide x70-100µm long (shards) Granular 2-10µm diam Spherulitic Subeuhedral 30-100µm diam	Mix 15-50% Cr + 65-50% KAF, NaAF Cr, KAF	
YM-17 (226.8)	"	Devitrified moderately welded vitric tuff with vapor phase crystallization. (ND)	Fibrous <3µm diam (shards) Equigranular <3µm diam (matrix) Spherulites <8µm diam (pumice) Tabular euhedral 20-100µm long (pumice)	Mix 30% Cr + 70% KAF Mix 40% Cr + 60% KAF Cr, KAF	
YM-18 (254.8)	"	Devitrified densely welded vitric tuff with vapor phase crystallization. (ND)	Fibrous/granular <3-10µm diam (matrix, pumice rims) Spherulites (pumice) Euhedral tabular <100µm diam (vugs)	Mix 40% Cr, Q + 60% KAF to 20% Cr, Q + 80% KAF	En echelon fractures parallel to fabric are filled with quartz
YM-22 (258.5)	"	Devitrified densely welded vitric tuff with vapor phase crystallization. (2.27)	Fibrous/granular <3µm diam (matrix) Granular <10µm diam (pumice rim)	Mix 50% Cr, Q + 50% KAF Mix 10% Cr, Q + 90% KAF Cr(Q), KAF	En echelon fractures parallel to fabric are filled with quartz
YM-19 (267.9)	"	Devitrified densely welded vitric tuff with minor vapor phase crystallization. (ND)	Fibrous 2-6µm long (matrix) Spherulitic patches 300-600 µm diam Tabular euhedral <70µm long (vugs)	Mix 30% Q + 70% KAF Q(Cr), KAF	En echelon fractures parallel to fabric are filled with quartz
YM-23 (272.5)	"	Devitrified densely welded vitric tuff with vapor phase crystallization. (2.28)	Granular <5µm diam (matrix) Fibrous <5µm wide x <30µm long (vug rims) Sub/euhedral blocky <100µm diam (vug fill)	Mix 40% Q, Cr + 60% KAF Q(Cr), KAF	Fractures are filled with quartz
YM-24 (285.7)	"	Devitrified densely welded vitric tuff with vapor phase crystallization. (2.31)	Granular 5-15µm diam (matrix) Spherulites 1-2cm diam Blocky <300µm diam (pumice)	Mix 40% Q, Cr + 60% KAF Mix 20% Q, Cr + 80% KAF Q(Cr), KAF	Lithic rich (with cherts) Fractures are filled with quartz

YM-25	"	Devitrified densely welded vitric tuff with vapor phase crystallization. (2.35)	Granular 5-15µm diam (matrix) Spherulites 1-2cm diam Blocky <300µm diam (pumice)	Mix 35% Q, Cr + 65% KAF Mix 25% Q, Cr + 75% KAF Q(Cr), KAF	Fractures are (308.4) filled with quartz
YM-26 (323.3)	"	Devitrified densely welded vitric tuff with vapor phase crystallization. (2.34)	Granular 5-15µm diam (matrix) Spherulites 1-2cm diam Blocky <300µm diam (pumice)	Mix 30% Q + 70% KAF Mix 20% Q + 80% KAF Q(Cr), KAF	Fractures are filled with quartz
YM-27 (339.1)	"	Devitrified densely welded vitric tuff with vapor phase crystallization. (2.32)	Granular 5-15µm diam (matrix) Spherulites 1-2cm diam Blocky <300µm diam (pumice)	Mix 30% Cr, Q + 65% K, NaAF Cr(Q), KAF, Ab	Fractures are filled with quartz
YM-28 (351.3)	"	Devitrified densely welded vitric tuff with vapor phase crystallization. (2.30)	Granular 5-20µm diam (matrix) Spherulites 1-2cm diam Blocky <300µm diam (pumice)	Mix 40% Q(Cr) + 55% NaAF Q(Cr), KAF, NaAF	En echelon fractures parallel to fabric are filled with quartz Lithic rich
YM-29 (364.3)	"	Devitrified densely vitric tuff with vapor phase crystallization. (2.32)	Fibrous/granular 5-15µm diam (matrix) Spherulitic patches <4µm diam Tabular <250µm long (pumice)	Mix 35% Q(Cr) + 65% KAF Mix 60% Q(Cr) + 40% KAF Q, KAF	En echelon fractures parallel to fabric are filled with quartz
YM-30 (385.4)	"	Devitrified densely welded vitric-lithic tuff (vitrophyre) with minor vapor phase crystallization. (2.12, +cracks)	Fibrous orange/brown to colorless (shards) Spherulitic <150µm diam Equant 2-200µm diam (pumice) Fracture filling	Mix 10-40% Q(Cr) + 90-60% KAF Cr, KAF (heul) Heul (mont)	Irregular branching fractures are filled with montmorillonite Lithic rich
YM-31 (389.9)	"	Densely welded vitric tuff (vitrophyre). (2.22)	Hydrated (?) glass 'High' birefringent phase <1µm diam lining/filling perlitic cracks	NA Heul	Irregular branching fractures are filled with heulandite
YM-32 (403.5)	"	Altered nonwelded vitric-lithic tuff. (1.64)	Colorless <1µm diam (shards) Sub/euhedral tabular <60µm long (vug lining)	Clin	Lithic rich
YM-33 (409.1)	"	Altered nonwelded vitric lithic tuff (ND)	Colorless <1µm diam (shards) Sub/euhedral tabular <60µm long (vug lining)	Clin	Sample dominated by one very large lithic fragment

∞	YM-34 (413.9)	"	Altered non-to slightly welded vitric tuff(1.65)	Pale brown <1µm diam (cement, shards) Colorless <1µm diam (pumice) Euhedral tabular <10µm long (vug lining)	Clin (mont) Clin	Lithic rich (siltstones and welded tuff)
	YM-35 (421.4)	"	Altered nonwelded vitric tuff(1.78)	Pale brown <1µm diam (cement, shards) Colorless <1µm diam (pumice) Euhedral tabular <10µm long (vug lining)	Clin, (Mont) (Mont) Clin	Lithic rich
	YM-36 (422.0)	Bedded Tuffs of Calico Hills	Altered nonwelded vitric tuff(1.73)	Crystalline <1µm diam (perlite, pumice) Tabular <60µm long (vug lining) Orange-brown <1µm fracture filling	Clin Mont	
	YM-37 (446.7)	"	Altered slightly welded vitric tuff (1.75)	Crystalline <1µm diam (pumice) Wedge-shaped 10-30µm long (vug lining)	Clin + Q Clin	Lithic rich
	YM-38 (458.7)	"	Altered nonwelded vitric tuff(1.83)	Fibrous/granular <6µm diam (pumice) Euhedral tabular <80µm (vug lining)	Clin + Q Clin	Lithic and crystal rich
	YM-39 (482.9)	"	Altered nonwelded vitric tuff(1.81)	Fibrous <1µm yellow brown (cement) Granular <6µm (perlite, pumice) Euhedral tabular <30µm (vug lining) Spherulites 100-200µm diam (perlite)	Mont(?) Clin KAF?	Lithic rich Abundant oxide fracture filling
	YM-40 (508.1)	"	Altered nonwelded vitric tuff(1.61)	Pale brown <6µm diam (matrix, pumice) Euhedral tabular <25µm long (vugs)	Clin KAF, Q	
	YM-41 (540.8)	"	Devitrified(?) nonwelded vitric tuff with vapor crystallization (1.54)	Pale brown <4µm diam (matrix, pumice) Euhedral tabular (vug lining)	Clin Q, KAF	Lithic rich

YM-42 (556.1)	"	Coarse sandstone: very immature feldspathic vol- canic litharenite . (2.26)	NA	NA	Some zeolitized (heul) lithics
YM-43 (564.5)	Prow Pass Member of the Crater Flat Tuff	Devitrified welded vitric-crystal tuff with minor vapor crystallization (1.74)	Granular 2-4µm diam (matrix) Equigranular 60-90µm (matrix) Tabular subhedral <350µm long (pumice)	Mix 80% Q + 20% KAF Q, KAF	Crystal rich
YM-44 (569.7)	"	Devitrified welded vitric-crystal tuff with minor vapor crystallization (1.91)	Granular 2-4µm diam (matrix) Equigranular 60-90µm (matrix) Tabular euhedral <350µm long (pumice)	Mix 80% Q + 20% KAF, Ab Q, KAF	Crystal rich
YM-45 (588.4)	"	Devitrified welded vitric-crystal tuff with minor vapor phase crystalliza- tion(588.4)	Fibrous/granular 1-2µm diam (matrix, pumice) Fibrous/granular 10-25µm diam (matrix, pumice) Spherulites <50µm diam (pumice) Tabular euhedral <100µm long (pumice)	KAF + clay(?) Q, Ab Q, KAF	Crystal rich
YM-46 (610.1)	"	Devitrified densely welded vitric- crystal tuff(2.22)	Anhedral 6µm wide x 60µm long (shards) Spherulites 1.5mm diam (pumice) Hematite 1-3µm diam	Mix 60% Q + 40% K, NaAF KAF	Crystal rich
YM-47 (636.3) (1.81)	"	Altered nonwelded vitric-crystal tuff	Hydrated glass?(shard interiors) Fibrous 3-5µm long (shard rims) Crystalline <8µm diam (cement) Crystalline <3µm diam (fracture fill)	NA Clin Clin	Fractures are filled with a zeolite
YM-49 (676.8)	"	Altered nonwelded vitric tuff(1.92)	Fibrous 10-15µm long (pyroclasts) Euhedral tabular 15-25µm long (vug lining)	Clin ± Mord	Crystal rich
YM-50 (702.4)	"	Altered nonwelded vitric-crystal tuff (1.97)	Fibrous 10-20µm long (pyroclasts) Euhedral tabular 15-25µm long (vug lining)	Clin ± Mord + Q	Crystal rich

YM-51 (710.6)	"	Altered nonwelded vitric-crystal tuff (1.98)	Fibrous 10-20 μ m long (pyroclasts) Euhedral tabular 15-25 μ m long (vug lining)	Clin \pm Mord + Q	Crystal rich
YM-52 (719.8)	Bullfrog Member of the Crater Flat Tuff	Devitrified welded vitric-crystal tuff with vapor phase crystallization(?) (2.00)	Granular 2-20 μ m diam (matrix) Granular 150-100 μ m diam (mosaics) Spherulites (mosaics)	Q, KAF	Crystal rich
YM-53 (737.5)	"	Devitrified welded vitric-crystal tuff with vapor phase crystallization(?) (2.07)	Granular 2-20 μ m diam (matrix) Granular 150-200 μ m diam (mosaics) Spherulites (mosaics)	Q, KAF	Crystal rich
YM-54 (759.3)	"	Devitrified welded vitric-crystal tuff with vapor phase crystallization(?) (2.14)	Granular 2-20 μ m diam (matrix) Granular 150-100 μ m diam (mosaics) Spherulites (mosaics)	Q, KAF	Crystal rich

^a Number in parentheses is sample depth in meters.

^b Number in parentheses is dry density in g/cm³. ND: not determined.

^c Only principal authigenic phases are described. NA: not applicable.

^d Compositions are based on x-ray and chemical analyses; mix proportions are based on molecular CIPW norms. Cr: cristobalite; KAF: K-rich alkali feldspar (sanidine); NaAF: Na-rich alkali feldspar (anorthoclase); Q: quartz; Ab: albite; Heul: heulandite; Clin: clinoptilolite; Mord: mordenite; Mont: montmorillonite; NA: not applicable; (): Minor amount; ?: tentative identification.

Clast size	Clast name	Rock name (if majority of clasts in the size range)
>256	Coarse blocks	Pyroclastic breccia
64-256 mm	Fine blocks	
2-64 mm	Lapilli	Lapillistone
1/16-2 mm	Coarse ash	Tuff
<1/16 mm	Dust (or fine ash)	

Fig. 2
Fisher's (1961) grain-size classification for volcanoclastic rocks.

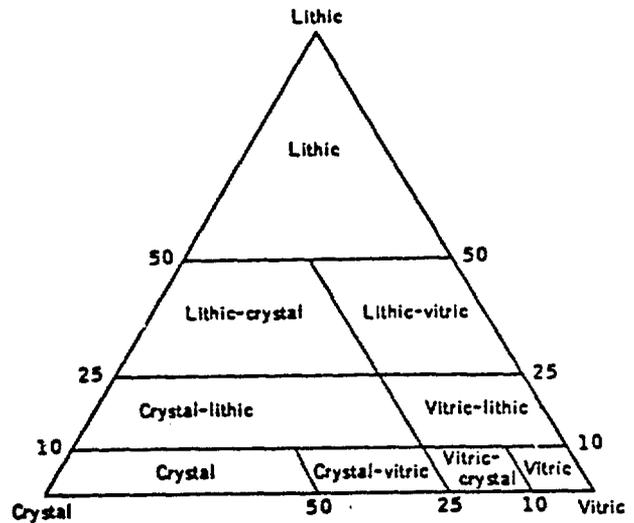


Fig. 3
Cook's (1965) classification of volcanoclastic rocks.

use the terms 'nonwelded,' 'moderately welded,' 'densely welded,' etc., to describe the observed degree of shard/pumice compaction or deformation. The term 'welded' is used in cases where texture has been almost completely obliterated by alteration, but some fabric is still observable.

Alteration of vitric pyroclasts in tuff can occur by: (1) devitrification of the hot pyroclastic flows; (2) vapor phase crystallization by release of hot volatiles during cooling of pyroclastic flows; and (3) interaction of ground water with tuffs. To date, it is possible only to qualitatively, rather than quantitatively, distinguish these processes. We therefore refer to the products of these various modes of alteration as 'authigenic phases' without genetic connotation. Where process identification is made, criteria are those described in Ross and Smith (1961) for devitrification and vapor phase crystallization. Secondary mineralization refers to ground water/rock interactions, and includes zeolitization, silicification, and calcitization.

IV. STRATIGRAPHY

A. Crater Flat Tuff

1. Bullfrog Member. This is the oldest unit encountered in drill hole UE25a-1; only the upper 51 m was penetrated. The three samples obtained from the Bullfrog are very similar: all are densely welded (relict textures are poorly preserved), crystal-rich (about 20% sanidine, oligoclase, quartz, biotite, and magnetite), and very poor in lithics. Occasional xenocrysts of mafic phases now altered to phlogopite plus hematite also occur.

The primary mode of alteration in the Bullfrog Member is coarse (granophytic) devitrification, with possibly some vapor phase crystallization or silicification. No zeolite minerals were observed.

2. Prow Pass Member. The upper member of the Crater Flat Tuff encountered in UE25a-1 is about 152-m thick, compared to exposures that are 15.2-m thick at the type locality in Prow Pass or 50-m thick at Crater Flat (Byers et al., 1976). In this section the upper 60 m of the Prow Pass is a crystal-rich (10 - 14%) densely to partially welded pyroclastic flow deposit. The lower portion is slightly less crystal-rich (5 - 8%) and nonwelded.

The abundant phenocrysts consist predominantly of sanidine, resorbed quartz, and albite or oligoclase, with occasional anorthoclase, biotite, pyroxene, and magnetite. Lithic concentration is variable, ranging from less than 1 to 5%; clasts are of altered welded tuffs and/or siltstone.

The more densely welded upper zone of the Prow Pass Member is devitrified to medium- to fine-grained granular or occasionally fibrous/spherulitic phases; the grain size of devitrification products is less coarse than in the Bullfrog Member. Vapor phase crystallization occurs as crystalline vug (relict pumice clast) linings or fillings. The nonwelded portion of the Prow Pass Member is completely zeolitized: clinoptilolite with rare mordenite replace both matrix material and pyroclasts. Minor silicification and/or vapor phase crystallization occur at depths of 702 and 711 m.

B. Bedded Tuff of Calico Hills

This unit is an approximately 144 m thick sequence of bedded tuff, air fall tuff, pyroclastic flows, and volcanoclastic sediments. All but the lowermost sample encountered in this section, a sandstone, appear to be nonwelded tuff. Nonvesicular perlitic clasts comprise the bulk of samples YM-36, -38,

and -39 (422.0-, 458.7-, and 482.9-m depth respectively). The nonwelded tuffs of the Calico Hills are crystal-poor, containing 2 - 4% oligoclase, sanidine, quartz, and occasionally biotite. Lithic clasts of altered welded tuffs and rhyolitic (?) lavas comprise only 2 - 4% of samples with the exceptions of YM-38 and -39 which contain about 8% lithics.

The basal sandstone is a very immature feldspathic litharenite with a matrix of Fe-stained clay. Clasts are predominantly lithic fragments (devitrified or zeolitized welded tuff, perlite, and lava) and crystals (andesine, biotite, and magnetite). Calcite occurs both as a fracture filling and as pseudomorphs after plagioclase.

The upper 500 m of these bedded tuffs is completely zeolitized as in the nonwelded portion of the Prow Pass Member of the Crater Flat Tuff. Below 500 m depth, zeolitization is accompanied by minor silicification of the matrix, and K-feldspar and quartz occur as vug and vesicle linings or fillings.

C. Paintbrush Tuff

1. Topopah Springs Member. The lower unit of the Paintbrush Tuff is about 333-m thick in drill hole UE25a-1, compared to a maximum reported thickness of about 275 m at the west flank of the CP Hills (Byers et al., 1976). Variation in degree of welding through the unit is typical of thick, compound cooling units (Lipman et al., 1966); the basal zone is nonwelded, grading up into a vitrophyric zone of dense welding that is overlain by thick sequences of devitrified densely to moderately welded tuff.

An upper densely welded zone corresponds to the quartz-lattice caprock described by Lipman et al. (1966). Crystals of sanidine, oligoclase, anorthoclase, pyroxene, biotite, and magnetite comprise up to 17% of the samples. The moderately-welded zone and vitrophyre contain less than 3% phenocrysts; sanidine, plagioclase, anorthoclase, biotite, and magnetite are present. The nonwelded base is also crystal-poor, containing 1 to 4% alkali feldspar, oligoclase, magnetite, quartz, and occasional biotite.

Lithic fragments are scarce (less than 3% by volume) in the Topopah Springs Member above the nonwelded base, and consist of welded tuff and rhyolitic lava clasts; chert clasts were found in sample YM-24 (about 286-m depth). Sample YM-30 (385-m depth) contains about 9% clasts of welded tuff and occasional perlitic glass.

Alteration modes vary through the Topopah Springs Member. The uppermost densely welded sample and the basal vitrophyre are unaltered and have glass of dacitic to rhyolitic composition respectively. The remainder of the densely to moderately welded zone is extensively devitrified to fine-grained fibrous/spherulitic or granular phases. Vapor phase crystallization is well-developed in this section, predominantly as zoned vug (relict pumice clast) fillings. Lithophysae are represented in thin section by spherical to ovoid, coarsely crystalline mosaics in the matrix and occasionally in relict pumice clasts.

The shallowest drill hole occurrence of zeolites in UE25a-1 core samples is as fracture filling and minor vug linings in the basal vitrophyre of the Topopah Springs Member at about 385-m depth. Below the vitrophyre, zeolitization is extensive, completely replacing all pyroclasts and matrix with clinoptilolite.

2. Tiva Canyon Member. Only 64 m of this upper unit of the Paintbrush Tuff is exposed in UE25a-1 compared to observed thicknesses of 107 m at the type section in Tiva Canyon and to about 200 m near Beatty (Byers et al., 1976). Only the lowermost crystal-poor sanidine- and hornblende-bearing high silica portion (Byers et al., 1976) of this pyroclastic flow is present; the upper part has been removed by erosion, and the unit is covered by about 9 m of alluvium.

The cored section of the Tiva Canyon member at UE251-1 has a densely welded upper zone, extending to about 60-m depth, and a nonwelded base from 60-70-m depth. A layer of 'bedded tuff' about 9-m thick beneath the nonwelded zone is included in the Tiva Canyon Member.

The densely welded upper zone is very poor in phenocrysts, containing less than 5% sanidine, magnetite, plagioclase, hornblende, and sphene. The nonwelded base is crystal-rich, containing about 14% oligoclase, sanidine, biotite, magnetite, and orthopyroxene. The bedded tuff is slightly less crystal-rich than the nonwelded base, containing about 11% andesine/oligoclase, sanidine, biotite, magnetite, and orthopyroxene. Lithic fragments, usually consisting of clasts of altered welded tuffs, are rare in the Tiva Canyon Member; they are virtually absent in the densely-welded zone and comprise only about 2% of the nonwelded base and bedded tuff. Clasts of an immature sandstone are found in the bedded tuff.

Alteration in the Tiva Canyon is restricted to the upper, welded zone and consists primarily of sub- m fibrous/spherulitic or granular devitrification products. Vapor phase crystallization occurs most often as crystalline rims or fillings of lenticular vugs (relict pumice clasts). The nonwelded base and bedded tuff are virtually unaltered; pyroclast rims may be partly hydrated, and are slightly ragged in the bedded tuff. Glass analyses give rhyolitic to dacitic compositions for the nonwelded base and bedded tuff respectively.

V. FRACTURES

Fracture density and morphology of samples from UE25a-1 are determined from thin sectioned samples and therefore may not be totally representative of in situ fractures. Fractures are defined as open or filled cracks of some linear extent, usually greater than 0.5 mm long. Perlitic cracks and fractures in phenocrysts are not included.

There is a general decrease in fracture density with depth in the drill section. The Tiva Canyon Member of the Paintbrush Tuff has a low fracture density; only a few open and rare filled fractures occur in the nonwelded zone. In contrast, the Topopah Springs Member has abundant filled fractures throughout most of the moderately to densely welded zone (samples YM-18 through -30, about 250 - 385-m depth), as reported by Spengler et al. (1979). The bedded tuffs of Calico Hills have very few fractures. The Prow Pass Member of the Crater Flat Tuff has no fractures in the densely welded zone, and a moderate amount in the nonwelded zone (YM-48 through -50, about 640 - 700-m depth). No fractures were observed in the Bullfrog Member.

In the highly fractured Topopah Springs Member, fractures are usually en echelon and parallel or subparallel to relict fabric (Fig. 4). In the basal vitrophyre irregular branching fractures predominate (Fig. 5). A few older, healed fractures normal to relict fabric were also observed. Fractures average 5 - 20 μm in width, with a maximum of about 150 μm .

Fractures are most often filled with coarse, polycrystalline quartz (Fig. 4), but occasionally are filled or lined with montmorillonite and/or zeolite (Fig. 6). Alteration zones of fine-grained clear quartz occur parallel to some of the wider fractures occur as bands up to 0.6 mm wide.

In the Prow Pass Member of the Crater Flat Tuff both branching, normal fractures and en echelon parallel fractures are observed. These are smaller



Fig. 4
En echelon fractures filled with quartz parallel to relict fabric. Photomicrograph of YM-29 (Topopah Springs Member of Paintbrush Tuff; with crossed nicols).



Fig. 5
Fractures and perlitic cracks normal to relict fabric filled with montmorillonite. Reflected light photomicrograph of YM-31 (Topopah Springs Member of Paintbrush Tuff).

than those of the Topopah Springs Member, averaging 5 - 10 μm in width with a maximum of about 40 μm . Most fractures of the Prow Pass Member are either open or lined with a very fine-grained phase (montmorillonite?).

With the exception of those in the Topopah Springs, fractures crosscut all primary and secondary tuff features. In the Topopah Springs Member, the en echelon filled fractures cross cut lithic fragments, phenocrysts, and matrix but in turn are crosscut by zones of coarse authigenic crystallization (Fig. 7). In some instances fracture fillings appear to be recrystallized within the authigenic. These relationships imply that some of the textures attributed to devitrification and vapor phase crystallization in the Topopah Springs probably developed following deposition, fracturing, and fracture-filling.



Fig. 6
Heulandite crystals present as fracture lining. Transmitted light photomicrograph of YM-30 (Topopah Springs Member of Paintbrush Tuff).



Fig. 7
Filled fracture overgrown by coarse authigenic phases. Photomicrograph with crossed nicols of YM-27 (Topopah Springs Member of Paintbrush Tuff).

VI. AUTHIGENIC PHASES

Devitrification, vapor phase crystallization, and zeolitization are the major modes of alteration in samples from UE25a-1. As noted previously, it is often difficult to distinguish the processes which produce the observed authigenic phases, particularly in highly altered samples. The following descriptions of the occurrence, texture, and composition of authigenic phases in the Yucca Mountain samples are intended only to give a general picture; detailed descriptions of the phases are given in the Appendix, and are summarized in Table I.

A. Devitrification

Devitrification occurs in all the welded portions of the Paintbrush and Crater Flat Tuffs, with the exceptions of the basal vitrophyre (YM-31) and uppermost densely welded sample (YM-6) of the Topopah Springs Member. Devitrification products increase in grain size with depth in the drill hole.

Fig. 8A shows the typical fine-grained, fibrous style of devitrification found in the Paintbrush Tuff. The fibrous phases replacing shards are usually less than 3 μm wide and grow normal to relict shard boundaries. Shard boundaries are preserved by chains of sub- μm plates or dendrites of an opaque reddish-brown phase, probably an Fe-oxide. Spherulites (Fig. 8B) occur most often in relict pumice clasts but occasionally cross relict clast boundaries. Granular phases less than 10 μm in diameter occur alone or mixed with the fibrous phases.



Fig. 8

Devitrification products in YM-2B (Tiva Canyon Member of Paintbrush Tuff). Photomicrographs with crossed nicols.

A. Fine-grained fibrous phases replacing relict shards. Note that fibers grow normal to relict shard boundaries.

B. Spherulite cross-cutting relict pyroclast boundaries.



Fig. 9
Coarse, granophyric devitrification. Photomicrograph with crossed nicols of YM-53 (Bullfrog Member of Crater Flat Tuff).



Fig. 10
Fine granular and fibrous devitrification phases (alkali feldspar and quartz). SEM photograph of fracture surface, YM-43 (Prow Pass Member of Crater Flat Tuff).

In the Crater Flat tuff, devitrification is coarse, approaching a granophyric texture which tends to obliterate relict textures (Fig. 9). Fine-grained fibrous phases sometimes occur lining voids, and coarsely crystalline spherulites are present in relict pumice clasts (Fig. 10).

Compositionally, devitrification products consist of SiO_2 (quartz or cristobalite), K-feldspar, and rare Na-feldspar or a mixture of these.* The finer-grained devitrification products of the Paintbrush and Crater Flat Tuffs average 40% SiO_2 , 60% K-feldspar and 80% SiO_2 , 20% K-feldspar respectively. Spherulites are usually more feldspar-rich than other phases.

*Microprobe analysis of discrete grains was impossible for the finer-sized grains; proportions of SiO_2 , KAlSi_3O_8 , and $\text{NaAlSi}_3\text{O}_8$ in the resulting mixed analyses were determined from normative compositions.

B. Vapor Phase Crystallization

Vapor phase crystallization is developed to varying extents in the welded portions of the Paintbrush and Crater Flat Tuff. In both units it occurs primarily as linings or fillings of lenticular vugs, as shown in Fig. 11. These linings are coarser than the matrix, averaging 50 - 300 μm in diameter, and usually consist of subhedral to euhedral tabular, blocky, or wedge-shaped crystals. Vapor phase crystallization also occurs as coarse crystals admixed with coarse spherulites and finer, granular phases in roughly-zoned large relict pumice clasts (Fig. 12). Most of these vapor phases are SiO_2 (quartz or cristobalite) with lesser amounts of K- or rarely Na-feldspar.



Fig. 11
K-feldspar and cristobalite crystals lining a zoned, lenticular vug. Photomicrograph with crossed nicols of YM-7B (Topopah Springs member of Paintbrush Tuff).



Fig. 12
Interior of irregularly zoned relict pumice clast. Spherulites and crystals are K-feldspar with minor quartz. Photomicrograph with crossed nicols of YM-24 (Topopah Springs Member, Paintbrush Tuff).

In the Topopah Springs Member a feature similar to vapor phase crystallization occurs which may be a small-scale expression of the abundant lithosphyre found in that member. These are spherical to ovoid mosaics, usually less than 100 μm in diameter which consist of SiO_2 and subsidiary K-feldspar (Fig. 13).² These authigenic patches occur primarily in sample matrices and sometimes in the irregularly-zoned relict pumice clasts. Occasionally they serve as nuclei for spherulites.



C. Zeolitization

Two sequences of zeolitization occur in UE25a-1: one from the basal vitrophyre of the Topopah Springs Member to the basal sandstone of the Tuffaceous Beds of Calico Hills (385.4 - 540.8-m depth), and the second in the lower, nonwelded portion of the Prow Pass Member (636.3 - 610.6-m depth). Zeolites occur as: (1) fracture fillings or linings (Fig. 6); (2) pseudomorphs of pyroclasts and matrix replacement; and (3) vug linings or fillings (Fig. 14). Grain morphology is varied, including very fine-grained feathery intergrowths (mostly in matrices), sub- μm fibrous or granular phases in relict pyroclasts, and euhedral tabular to prismatic or wedge-shaped crystals in vugs (Fig. 15). In the lower part of each zeolitized sequence, minor amounts of quartz and K-feldspar occur as vug linings or in the matrix.

The principal zeolite encountered in the cores from UE25a-1 is calcic clinoptilolite. This mineral appears to have formed by the action of ground water on the glass shards and ash of the original volcanic material. Minor amounts of heulandite (distinguished by lower Si/Al ratios) were observed as a fracture-filling in the basal vitrophyre of the Topopah Springs Member. Clinoptilolite comprises more than 80 percent of the specimens of the Topopah

Fig. 13

Spherical patches of authigenic SiO_2 in matrix of densely-welded tuff. Transmitted light photomicrograph of YM-9B (Topopah Springs Member of Paintbrush Tuff).

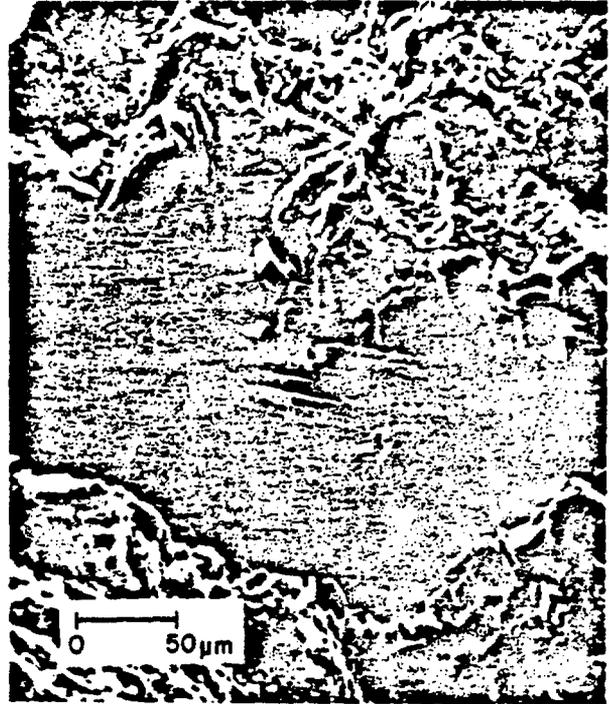


Fig. 14

Clinoptilolite crystals lining vugs in YM-49 (Prow Pass Member of Crater Flat Tuff).

A. Transmitted light photomicrograph of crystals lining voids in relict shards.

B. SEM photograph of fracture surface showing tabular crystals lining a vug.

Springs Member below the basal vitrophyre and of the bedded tuff of Calico Hills (YM-32 through -41; 403.5 - 540.8-m depth inclusive) and including major portions of the nonwelded units of the Crater Flat Tuff.

Clinoptilolite is isostructural with heulandite and the distinction between the two has been the subject of some discussion in the literature (Mason and Sand, 1960; Mumpton, 1960; Boles, 1972). The latter author concluded that all compositions between clinoptilolite ($(\text{Na,K})_6\text{Al}_6\text{Si}_{30}\text{O}_{72} \cdot 24\text{H}_2\text{O}$) and heulandite ($\text{Ca}_4\text{Al}_8\text{Si}_{28}\text{O}_{72} \cdot 24\text{H}_2\text{O}$) may exist, and he preferred to set an arbitrary division between the two based on the Si/Al mole ratio. He terms those members of the series with Si/Al greater than 4.4 as clinoptilolite and those less than 4.4 as heulandites regardless of the large-radius cation content (Ba, Sr, Mg, Ca, Na, K). In general Boles (1972), Mumpton (1960), and

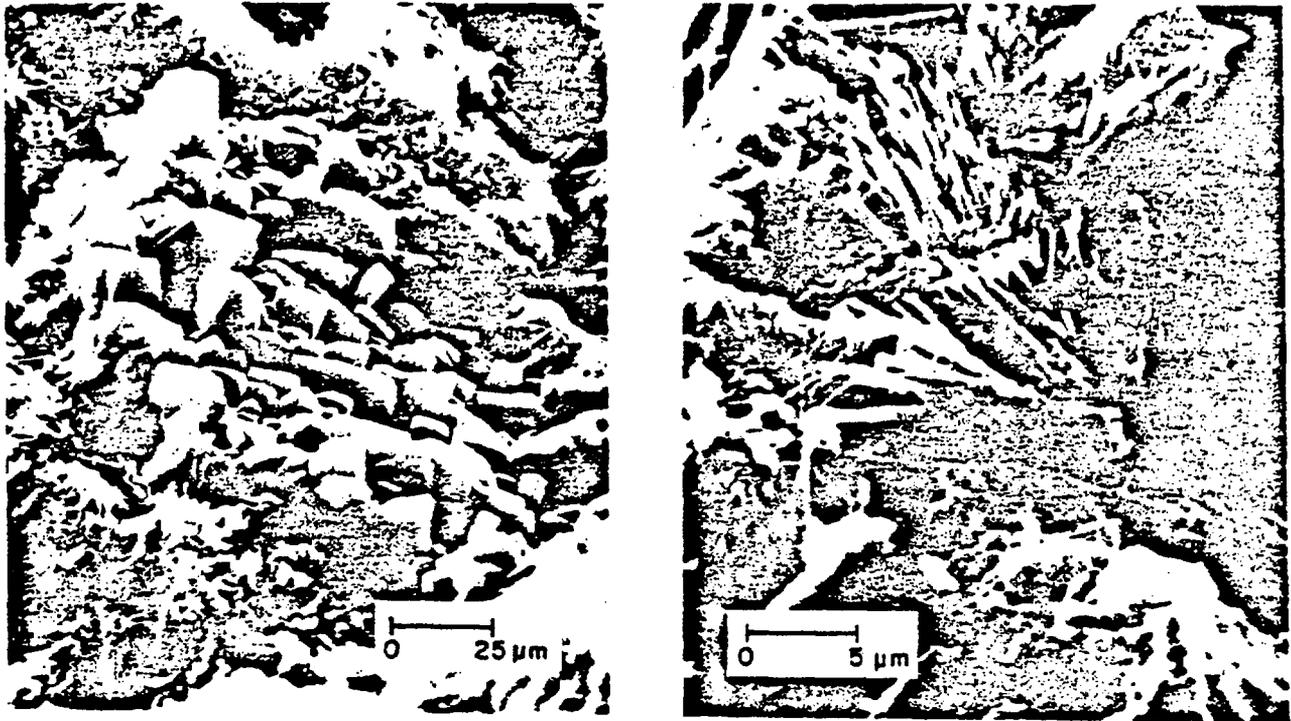


Fig. 15

SEM photographs of zeolites on a fracture surface in YM-34 (Topopah Springs Member of Paintbrush Tuff).

A. Clinoptilolite(?) crystals (blocky), probably as a vug filling.

B. Detail of A, showing feathery crystals tentatively identified as erionite.

Aliotti (1972) found that those members of the series rich in divalent cations (Ca, Ba, Sr, Mg) tended to contain more water than those in which monovalent cations (Na, K) predominate. According to the nomenclature of Boles (1972) all the members of this series analyzed in Ue25-a1 should be classed as clinoptilolites except those filling fractures in sample YM-31 in the basal vitrophyre of the Topopah Springs member. All the rest have Si/Al mole ratios in excess of 4.4 with some as high as 6.0.

Mumpton (1960) proposed that clinoptilolite be distinguished from heulandite on the basis of a heating test with the latter becoming amorphous on heating to 450°C at 1 atm for a few hours and the former retaining a well-defined crystal structure to much higher temperatures. Both these minerals undergo a "polymorphic reaction" (Aliotti, 1972) in the range 200-400°C.

This appears to be a reversible displacive dehydration in which the cell volume shrinks by almost ten percent (Boles, 1972; Mumpton, 1960; Shepard and Starkey, 1964; Aliotti, 1967, 1972; Breger et al. 1970). In most cases, specimens showing higher Si/Al ratios and higher monovalent to divalent cation ratios transformed to the collapsed structures at higher temperatures. It seems likely that this dehydration reaction accounts for the negative thermal expansions noted for non-welded tuff (A. Lappin, Sandia Laboratory, personal communication, 1979). The effect of water pressure on these reactions is currently under investigation by Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory.

As may be seen from the chemical analyses in the Appendix, the chemistry of clinoptilolite in UE25a-1 is somewhat variable. In general, the Si/Al ratios are higher than commonly reported for clinoptilolites in the literature with a few ratios (e.g. YM-41) in excess of 6.0. In general the divalent cations (Ca) seem to predominate in the upper zeolitized zones while the monovalent cations, particularly K, predominate in the lower portions of the Bedded Tuff of Calico Hills. Calcium again predominates in the zeolitized horizons of the Crater Flat Tuff. It is not clear whether this is due to ground water action or the original composition of the glass.

Minor amounts of mordenite were observed as spherulitic cavity filling in the zeolitized horizons of the tuff of Crater Flat, both by x-ray and by electron microprobe techniques. Mordenite is characterized by low silica content (<55%) and high alkali content (>10% Na₂O + K₂O). Its presence may indicate slightly elevated temperatures of formation as suggested by Goto (1977) but more likely it reflects an enrichment of alkalis in ground water with depth (Hoover, 1968). Analcite and calcite were not observed in any of the cores from UE25a-1 but are common secondary phases in deeper samples of NTS tuff (Hoover, 1968, Heiken and Bevier, 1978). Erionite has been tentatively identified from SEM photographs of sample YM-34 (Fig. 15B).

Shepard and Starkey (1964) estimate that pyroclastic rocks may alter completely to zeolites in as little time as 10,000 years given complete water saturation at temperatures below 100°C. Several zeolitized horizons are present in the lower zones of the 1.0 million-year-old Bandelier Tuff in Los Alamos County, N.M., indicating zones of ground water paleosaturation (Bailey and Smith, 1978; see Fig. 14). The fact that the bedded tuff unit of the Tiva Canyon Member is essentially unaltered is evidence that the unit probably has never been saturated since its emplacement. The current static water table is

at approximately 470-m depth, approximately 80 m below the highest zone of zeolite minerals encountered, indicating that the water table has been at least 80 m higher than the current level in the geologic past.

VII. COMPARITIVE STRATIGRAPHY OF UE25a-1 and J-13

There are distinct changes in the thickness of pyroclastic flow units between drill holes UE25a-1 and J-13 despite the fact that the holes are located only about 6.1 km (3.8 mi) apart (Figs. 1 and 16). These changes may be due either to thinning away from source areas or to paleotopography, as discussed below.

The Prow Pass Member of the Crater Flat Tuff thins from north to south away from the Sleeping Butte Caldera as would be expected with normal thinning of pyroclastic flows away from a vent.

The bedded, nonwelded tuffs of the two wells are both underlain by Crater Flat Tuff and overlain by the Paintbrush Tuff. In UE25a-1, this unit has been tentatively identified as the 'Bedded Tuffs of Calico Hills' (Spengler et al., 1979); in well J-13, the possible equivalent unit is the 'Bedded Unit of the Paintbrush Tuff' (B. Crowe, personal communication). Whatever their source, petrologic evidence suggests that the units are correlative, as they are similar in texture and mineralogy. The observed thinning from north to south would be consistent with a source area of one of the calderas north of the drill sites.

The Topopah Springs Member of the Paintbrush Tuff thins from south to north, towards its source in the Claim Canyon cauldron. This could be due to greater erosion of the unit at UE25a-1, but is more likely due to lateral variations in pyroclastic flow thicknesses caused by pre-eruption topography. Byers et al. (1976) indicate that Basin and Range topography existed in this region prior to volcanic activity, so rapid changes in lateral thickness are quite possible.

The Tiva Canyon Member of the Paintbrush Tuff thins from 240 m at UE25a-1 to 70 m at J-13. This difference is most likely due to erosional removal of the upper parts of the unit at the J-13 site.

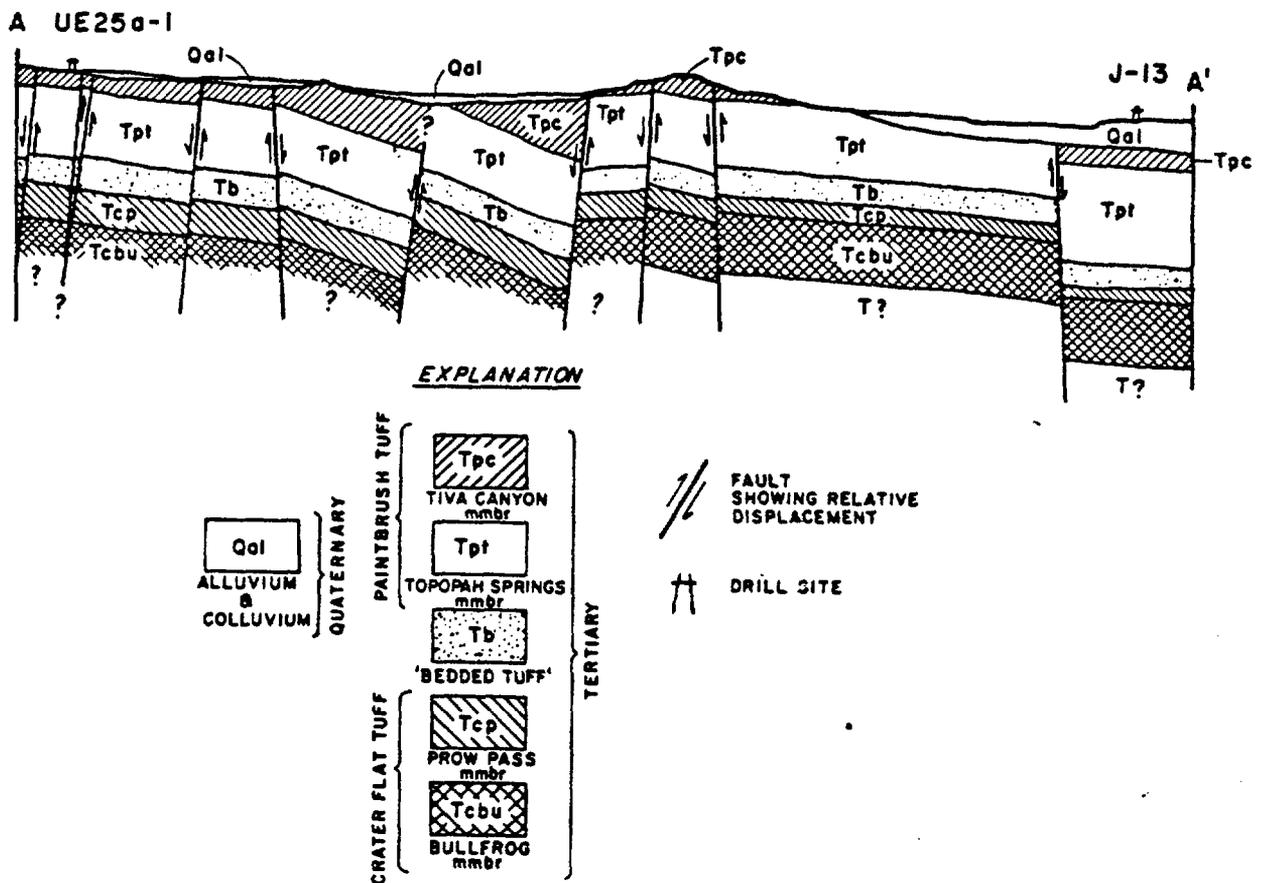


Fig. 16
 Cross-section units between drill sites UE25a-1 and J-13. See Fig. 1 for location of A and A'.

VIII. SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

Zeolitization of the tuff penetrated by the J-13 hole has been described by Heiken and Bevier (1979) and is generally similar to that noted from core studies at drill hole UE25a-1. One possible difference is the occurrence of analcite and traces of erionite and phillipsite in the Bullfrog Member of the Crater Flat Tuff at J-13; the presence or absence of zeolites in this unit at UE25a-1 could not be determined as the drill hole penetrated only the upper 51 m. Also, zeolite mineralogy is more varied in the tuffs of J-13; analcite, phillipsite, and erionite are present in addition to the clinoptilolite of the UE25a-1 tuffs.

The occurrence of zeolites in tuff penetrated by the UE25a-1 and J-13 holes is similar to that described for other sequences of rhyolitic tephra where alteration was due to groundwater-glass interactions in open hydrologic systems (Walton, 1975; Hay and Sheppard, 1977).

The Yucca Mountain data suggest that the occurrence of zeolites in this area is restricted to low density, high porosity nonwelded tuffs which have been below the water table and have not been previously altered to alkali feldspar and SiO_2 . The absence of zeolites and presence of fresh glass in the lowermost Tiva Canyon and uppermost Topopah Springs samples (TM-5 and -6, 76.5 and 84.3 m depth respectively) indicate that portion of the stratigraphic section has not been below the water table for significant lengths of time. The absence of zeolites in the moderately to densely welded zones of the Topopah Springs, Prow Pass, and Bullfrog members is probably due to prohibitive mineralogy; alkali feldspar and SiO_2 cannot react to form zeolites by interaction with ground water.

At present little can be inferred about the paleohydrology of the Yucca Mountain area and its relationship to zeolitization from the available data. Mineralogical, compositional, and textural similarities of the zeolitized tuffs are compatible with a single episode of zeolitization. Further detailed crystallographic, chemical, and isotopic characterization of the tuffs will be necessary to understand such relationships.

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APPENDIX

MINERALOGY, PETROGRAPHY, AND CHEMISTRY OF YUCCA MOUNTAIN SAMPLES

Following are petrographic descriptions, modes, chemical analyses, and normative compositions for samples from the Yucca Mountain exploratory drill hole UE25a-1. This information is given in order of increasing depth.

Sample descriptions are based on thin section petrography. The number in parentheses following the sample number is sample depth, in meters. Phenocryst compositions are based on molecular CIPW normative orthoclase (Or) and anorthite (An) contents calculated from electron microprobe analyses.

Modes in volume percent, based on 300 to 500 points, are given for major phases in each sample. Chemical analyses are given for those phases listed in the mode which are footnoted.

Chemical analyses are based on electron microprobe results. Average analyses are used when possible; the number of analyses is given in parentheses under the column heading. Standard deviations are given in parentheses beside the average oxide concentrations. For analyses of mixtures of phases, the size of the standard deviation indicates composition variability rather than analytical uncertainty.

CIPW normative compositions in mole percent, calculated only for phases consisting of SiO_2 and/or feldspar, follow the chemical analyses. As the total mafic content is usually low (less than 2 mole percent), normative quartz (Qz), orthoclase (Or), albite (Ab), and anorthite (An) concentrations are recalculated to 100%.

Molecular Si/Al ratios follow the normative compositions for zeolite analyses; these are calculated from the electron microprobe analyses.

Phase identifications are based on the combination of petrographic, x-ray, and microprobe analyses. Abbreviations used are as follow:

Qz:	quartz (SiO_2)
Or:	orthoclase (KAlSi_3O_8)
Ab:	albite ($\text{NaAlSi}_3\text{O}_8$)
Cr:	cristobalite (SiO_2)
AF:	alkali feldspar (solid solution of KAlSi_3O_8 and $\text{NaAlSi}_3\text{O}_8$)
KAF:	K-rich alkali feldspar (=sanidine)
NaAF:	Na-rich alkali feldspar (=anorthoclase)
Mont:	montmorillonite (clay)
Clin:	clinoptilolite (zeolite)
Heul:	heulandite (zeolite)
Mord:	mordenite (zeolite)
(?):	tentative identification

Tiva Canyon Member of the Paintbrush Tuff

YM-1 (25.5 m): Devitrified densely welded vitric tuff. Relict shards predominate in this rock; these are outlined by chains of 0.2 μm diameter grains of hematite. Shards are replaced by colorless, 1-2 μm wide, 10-30 μm long phases which grow normal to grain boundaries. Former pumice clasts are replaced by spherulitic, equigranular colorless phases, and by vugs 50-400 μm long.

Phenocrysts consist of a few percent sanidine (Or_{88}) and magnetite.

MODE

Phase	Volume Percent
Relict shards ^a	
Fibrous	41.3
Hematite	3.3
Interstitial	15.3
Relict pumice	
Spherulites ^b	21.7
Fine granular	12.0
Coarse crystalline ^c	3.0
Phenocrysts	
Sanidine	3.0
Opagues	0.3
Total	99.9

ANALYSES

	a	b	c
Oxide	(33)	(13)	(11)
SiO_2	78.94(2.52)	76.77(2.56)	68.93(2.46)
Al_2O_3	12.48(1.09)	13.68(1.85)	17.54(0.90)
BaO	0.01(0.01)	0.01(0.00)	0.00(0.01)
CaO	0.08(0.03)	0.08(0.01)	0.06(0.01)
Na_2O	3.22(0.35)	3.86(0.70)	5.00(0.24)
K_2O	5.07(0.68)	5.09(0.53)	7.56(0.88)
Total	99.80	99.49	99.09
Q	38.83	33.01	10.01
Or	30.91	30.92	44.73
Ab	29.83	35.65	44.96
An	0.43	0.43	0.29
	Cr+KAF	Cr+KAF	Cr+KAF

YM-2 (48.0): Devitrified densely welded vitric tuff. This rock is similar to YM-1. Relict shards consist of three phases, each grading into the others. Phase 1 consists of <10 μm -diam with sub- μm hematite grains evenly dispersed. Phase 2 consists of well-developed spherulites, 50-150 μm in diameter. Phase 3 consists of a granular, colorless, 20 μm diameter phase replacing the coarser shards; this is also found filling small voids.

Lenticular vugs (up to 3 mm long) are zoned; edges consist of elongate phases (<10 μm wide) and centers are filled with equant, colorless phases 50-100 μm in diameter.

Flattened pumice pyroclasts are up to 8 mm long and are replaced by both coarse spherulites and equant colorless phases. Phenocrysts include sanidine (Or₃₉) plagioclase, sphene, hornblende (oxidized to hematite), and magnetite.

MODE

Phase	Volume Percent
Shards and matrix	
Very fine granular ^d	41.9
Fine spherulites ^b	20.8
Medium granular ^a	25.2
Vugs rims ^c and cores ^{d,e}	8.5
Phenocrysts	
Sanidine	3.4
Plagioclase	0.2
Sphene	tr
Hornblende	tr
Opakes	tr
Total	100.0

ANALYSES

	a	b	c	d	e
Oxide	(13)	(11)	(9)	(6)	(4)
SiO ₂	72.09(3.85)	77.43(4.57)	70.98(0.43)	68.81(1.45)	95.07(0.59)
Al ₂ O ₃	15.97(1.58)	12.75(2.48)	17.50(0.70)	18.31(0.53)	0.36(0.04)
BaO	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.06)
CaO	0.04(0.01)	0.06(0.02)	0.49(0.01)	0.05(0.04)	0.01(0.01)
Na ₂ O	4.11(0.42)	3.28(0.45)	4.99(0.53)	5.00(0.71)	0.11(0.02)
K ₂ O	7.20(0.92)	5.22(1.49)	6.96(0.83)	7.20(1.64)	0.02(0.01)
Total	99.41	98.74	100.92	99.37	95.57
Q	19.28	36.90	13.01	11.31	
Or	43.11	32.12	40.48	43.03	
Ab	37.41	30.68	44.12	45.41	
An	0.20	0.31	2.39	0.26	
Cr+KAF		Cr+KAF	Cr+KAF	Cr	

YM-3 (57.0): Devitrified partly welded vitric tuff. This rock consists mostly of poorly preserved relict shards. The most common phase is medium brown and finely crystalline (1-3 μm wide). Only scattered lines of sub- μm granular hematite mark the occasional pyroclast boundaries.

Small lenticular voids are lined with 1-2 μm wide colorless needles of a low-birefringence phase. Pumice pyroclasts have been replaced by colorless to pale brown spherulites. Individual crystals are 3-5 μm wide and up to 200 μm long.

Phenocrysts include sanidine (Or_{38}), sphene, and magnetite.

MODE

Phase	Volume Percent
Shards ^a and matrix	63.5
Pumices	
Spherulites ^{b,c} and fine grained	19.4
Vug filling ^d	6.0
Phenocrysts	
Sanidine	4.2
Sphene	0.4
Opagues	tr
Voids	5.8
Lithics	tr
Other	0.6
Total	99.9

ANALYSES

	a	b	c	d
Oxide	(10)	(8)	(1)	(7)
SiO_2	78.74(1.46)	70.83(1.55)	92.71	69.60(0.84)
Al_2O_3	11.54(1.75)	17.23(0.14)	1.49	17.92(0.40)
BaO	0.00(0.00)	0.01(0.01)	0.00	0.01(0.02)
CaO	0.07(0.00)	0.09(0.02)	0.01	0.11(0.03)
Na_2O	2.78(0.03)	3.81(0.21)	0.27	3.84(0.31)
K_2O	6.00(0.52)	8.62(0.22)	0.20	8.81(0.94)
Total	99.13	100.59	94.69	100.29
Qz	37.56	14.35		12.41
Or	36.42	50.96		52.36
Ab	25.65	34.23		34.68
An	0.36	0.47		0.55
	Cr+KAF	Cr+KAF	Cr	Cr+KAF

YM-4 (68.9): Non-welded vitric-crystal tuff. This rock consists of equant, subrounded pumice pyroclasts up to 15 mm long in a matrix of shards and finely crystalline (<2 μ m diam) phases.

Phenocrysts include plagioclase (An₁₆₋₂₀) (many as fractured glomerocrysts), biotite, magnetite, sanidine (Or₅₂), oxyhornblende, and orthopyroxene(?). Lithic fragments consist predominantly of older welded tuffs and lavas.

MODE

Phase	Volume Percent
Pumices ^a	47.5
Shards ^b	36.9
Phenocrysts	
Plagioclase	12.0
Sanidine	0.2
Biotite	1.0
Hornblende	tr
Opakes	0.7
Lithic fragments	1.7
Total	100.00

ANALYSES

Oxide	a (3)	b (11)
SiO ₂	71.77(0.01)	72.07(1.22)
Al ₂ O ₃	12.83(0.05)	12.85(0.24)
FeO	0.65(0.05)	0.73(0.09)
MgO	0.04(0.00)	0.05(0.01)
BaO	0.05(0.02)	0.06(0.06)
CaO	0.51(0.01)	0.54(0.03)
Na ₂ O	3.07(0.02)	2.99(0.16)
K ₂ O	5.25(0.04)	5.17(0.17)
Total	94.16	94.46
Qz	32.69	33.69
Or	34.11	33.66
Ab	30.32	29.59
An	2.88	3.07
Glass		Glass

YM-5 (76.5): Nonwelded vitric-crystal tuff. This rock is an airfall (?) tuff composed of 2-30 mm long equant to slightly elongate pumice pyroclasts in a matrix of shards. Glass pyroclasts are intact except for slightly ragged surfaces which indicate some weathering.

Abundant phenocrysts include plagioclase (An₂₅₋₃₀), oxidized biotite, sanidine (Or₄₃), magnetite, orthopyroxene, and glomerocrysts of sanidine and plagioclase. Lithic fragments consist of clasts of an immature sandstone.

MODE

Phase	Volume Percent
Pumice ^a	36.0
Shards ^b	48.4
Phenocrysts	
Plagioclase	4.8
Biotite	3.2
Sanidine	2.7
Opakes	0.2
Lithic fragments	4.3
Voids	0.5
Total	100.1

ANALYSES

Oxide	a (3)	b (7)
SiO ₂	68.25(0.30)	68.60(0.23)
Al ₂ O ₃	14.66(0.33)	14.11(0.36)
FeO	1.59(0.14)	1.53(0.10)
MgO	0.17(0.01)	0.18(0.03)
BaO	0.09(0.11)	0.00(0.08)
CaO	0.79(0.04)	0.83(0.07)
Na ₂ O	3.75(0.12)	2.91(0.14)
K ₂ O	5.68(0.06)	5.42(0.11)
Total	94.98	93.58
Qz	21.71	29.11
Or	36.84	36.45
Ab	36.96	29.75
An	4.48	4.69
Glass		Glass

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YM-6 (84.3): Densely welded vitric-crystal tuff. Compacted pumice pyroclasts, 0.5-1.2 mm long, are evenly dispersed throughout a matrix of 20-600 μ m long compressed shards. Within the pumice pyroclasts, former vesicles are marked by lines of microlites.

Phenocrysts include sanidine (Or_{41}), plagioclase (An_{31-35}), oxidized biotite, magnetite, spinel(?), and orthopyroxene. Numerous lithic fragments include devitrified rhyolitic lava, welded tuff, and rhyolitic glass clasts.

MODE	
Phase	Volume Percent
Pumices ^a	24.9
Shards ^b	56.5
Phenocrysts	
Sanidine	10.7
Plagioclase	3.3
Orthopyroxene	2.1
Biotite	0.5
Opakes	0.2
Lithic fragments	1.9
Total	100.1

ANALYSES	a	b
	(5)	(5)
Oxide		
SiO ₂	67.34(1.07)	70.46(3.22)
Al ₂ O ₃	15.04(0.30)	13.38(2.08)
FeO	0.86(0.52)	0.92(0.78)
MgO	0.14(0.11)	0.05(0.09)
BaO	0.05(0.05)	0.07(0.12)
CaO	0.75(0.24)	0.43(0.31)
Na ₂ O	3.67(0.51)	3.48(0.75)
K ₂ O	6.64(0.61)	5.92(0.36)
Total	94.51	94.71
Oz	18.01	25.82
Or	42.32	37.88
Ab	35.55	33.84
An	4.11	2.45
	Glass	Glass

YM-7 (102.0): Devitrified densely welded vitric-crystal tuff. This tuff consists of relict pumices within a matrix of relict shards which have been replaced by finely crystalline, colorless, fibrous to granular sub- μm phases.

Lenticular relict pumices are zoned from rims of fibrous, 3-5 μm wide grains up to 200 μm long to hollow centers lined with sub-to euhedral tabular colorless phases.

Large (2-3 cm long) anorthoclase (Or_{30-33}) crystals comprise the bulk of the phenocrysts; others include magnetite and oxidized biotite.

MODE

Phase	Volume Percent
Shards ^a and matrix	48.6
Pumice	
Fine rims ^b	20.8
Spherulites	2.2
Coarse vug fill ^{c,d}	9.0
Phenocrysts	
Anorthoclase	15.1
Opagues	1.3
Clinopyroxene	0.4
Biotite	0.4
Voids	2.2
Total	100.0

ANALYSES

Oxide	a (9)	b (10)	c (5)	d (4)
SiO_2	74.56(2.37)	69.41(1.80)	67.81(0.14)	97.73(0.53)
Al_2O_3	13.80(1.52)	17.42(0.93)	18.64(0.12)	1.31(0.09)
BaO	0.11(0.04)	0.11(0.01)	0.12(0.03)	0.10(0.04)
CaO	0.49(0.03)	0.61(0.08)	0.63(0.09)	0.01(0.02)
Na_2O	3.76(0.38)	5.17(0.61)	5.44(0.30)	0.31(0.00)
K_2O	5.91(0.92)	6.67(0.14)	7.16(0.37)	0.16(0.05)
Total	98.63	99.39	99.81	99.63
Qz	27.32	11.48	6.70	
Or	35.59	39.17	41.77	
Ab	34.42	46.14	48.23	
An	2.68	3.21	3.31	
Cr→KAF		Cr→KAF	KAF	Cr

YM-8 (137.2): Devitrified densely welded vitric tuff. Pyroclasts within this rock have been replaced with finely crystalline (<3 μm diam) colorless, fibrous phases. Relict textures are difficult to define; relict pumices are visible only due to subtle color changes.

Sanidine (Or_{45}) is the most common phenocryst, with lesser amounts of plagioclase (An_{17-21}), magnetite, and biotite.

MODE

Phase	Volume Percent
Matrix	
Very fine granular ^a to fibrous ^b	70.7
Spherulites ^c	10.7
Authigenic patches ^d	15.6
Phenocrysts	
Sanidine and plagioclase	2.6
Biotite	tr
Opagues	0.5
Total	100.1

ANALYSES	a	b	c	d
Oxide	(5)	(9)	(2)	(9)
SiO_2	77.57(3.66)	72.82(1.93)	64.61(0.98)	99.32(0.31)
Al_2O_3	13.17(1.60)	15.48(1.64)	17.50(0.68)	0.66(0.19)
FeO	0.30(0.12)	ND	0.13(0.04)	ND
MgO	0.00(0.01)	ND	0.00(0.00)	ND
BaO	0.20(0.06)	0.07(0.01)	0.05(0.08)	0.03(0.03)
CaO	0.30(0.05)	0.37(0.09)	0.29(0.04)	0.01(0.01)
Na_2O	4.03(0.80)	3.76(0.37)	4.74(0.55)	0.26(0.06)
K_2O	5.55(1.36)	7.52(0.89)	8.79(0.38)	0.03(0.01)
Total	101.12	100.02	96.11	100.31

Qz	29.57	19.77	2.71	
Or	32.78	44.46	53.18	
Ab	36.18	33.80	43.59	
An	1.46	1.97	0.52	
	Cr+KAF	Cr+KAF	KAF	Cr

YM-9 (143.0): Devitrified densely welded vitric tuff. This tuff consists of relict pumice pyroclasts in a matrix of compacted relict shards. Spherulites developed in relict pumices cross pyroclast boundaries. Small (30-100 um diam) patches of equant, colorless phases are dispersed throughout the relict pyroclasts. These patches are rimmed with finely crystalline fibrous phases.

Lenticular vugs are zoned; rims consist of fibrous to granular colorless phases and centers consist of coarse, euhedral, colorless phases.

Anorthoclase (Or₂₅) is the dominant phenocryst; plagioclase (An₂₈) and magnetite occur in lesser amounts. Occasional fractures are either parallel or normal to the fabric.

MODE

Phase	Volume Percent
Shards ^a and matrix	54.0
Pumice ^b	28.5
Authigenic patches ^{c,d}	15.4
Phenocrysts	
Anorthoclase	1.6
Plagioclase	0.2
Opagues	0.2
Total	99.9

ANALYSES

Oxide	a (4)	b (6)	c (2)	d (3)
SiO ₂	76.63(0.15)	68.26(1.85)	66.69(1.14)	97.32(0.93)
Al ₂ O ₃	11.81(0.12)	17.03(0.73)	17.83(0.56)	0.58(0.11)
FeO	0.60(0.21)	0.21(0.08)	0.25(0.02)	0.02(0.04)
MgO	0.04(0.03)	0.02(0.06)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)
BaO	0.04(0.01)	0.13(0.15)	0.13(0.15)	0.04(0.01)
CaO	0.31(0.01)	0.46(0.13)	0.15(0.04)	0.00(0.00)
Na ₂ O	3.30(0.14)	5.22(0.54)	4.39(0.06)	0.33(0.07)
K ₂ O	5.73(0.38)	6.87(1.97)	10.39(0.08)	0.06(0.05)
Total	98.46	98.20	99.83	98.35
Qz	33.31	9.60	2.69	
Or	35.29	40.78	61.37	
Ab	30.89	47.09	35.94	
An	0.51	2.53	0.00	
	Cr+KAF	Cr+AF	KAF	Cr

YM-20 (206.4): Devitrified moderately welded vitric-lithic tuff. The 'matrix' of this rock consists of relict shards 200-400 μm long and an interstitial colorless to tan, fine-grained (up to 8 μm in diameter) phase. Larger relict shards and pumices are roughly zoned, from rims of colorless, <10 μm , granular phases to coarser (60-200 μm diam) colorless, sub- to anhedral phases in the centers.

Rounded plagioclase (An_{16}) is the most abundant phenocryst with minor amounts of sanidine (Or_{58}), quartz, and biotite. Glomerocrysts of biotite, K-feldspar, and plagioclase are also present. Abundant lithic fragments consist predominantly of older welded tuff clasts, 0.3 to 4 mm in diameter.

MODE

Phase	Volume Percent
Shards ^b and matrix ^a	71.8
Pumices	
Fine granular	8.9
Coarse authigenic patches ^{c,d}	8.5
Phenocrysts	
Plagioclase	0.4
Sanidine	tr
Lithic fragments	9.5
Unfilled fractures	1.0
Total	100.1

ANALYSES

Oxide	a (3)	b (2)	c (4)	d (4)
SiO_2	76.20(1.05)	72.06(1.74)	97.96(0.68)	66.42(0.11)
Al_2O_3	11.68(0.23)	11.41(0.07)	0.31(0.05)	16.93(0.24)
FeO	0.50(0.07)	0.45(0.05)	0.00(0.04)	0.04(0.02)
MgO	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)
BaO	0.07(0.06)	0.00(0.00)	0.11(0.09)	0.05(0.07)
CaO	0.22(0.05)	0.46(0.14)	0.00(0.00)	0.06(0.01)
Na_2O	3.31(0.17)	4.21(0.80)	0.18(0.04)	4.00(0.09)
K_2O	5.86(0.67)	4.47(3.06)	0.00(0.01)	10.36(0.06)
Total	97.84	93.05	98.56	97.87
Qz	33.16	31.31		5.61
Or	36.29	29.12		62.52
Ab	30.55	39.56		31.87
An	0.00	0.00		0.00
Cr+KAF		Cr+AF	Cr	KAF

YM-21 (223.3): Devitrified moderately welded vitric tuff. The matrix of this tuff consists of relict shards up to 1 mm long and finer grained (<10 μm diam) interstitial phases. Shards are replaced with fibrous, 70-100 μm long, 3-5 μm wide phases. Relict pumices with indistinct boundaries consist of three phases: (1) a fine-grained, 2-10 μm diameter granular phase; (2) a fibrous to spherulitic phase (usually concentrated along pumice boundaries); and (3) sub- to euhedral, 30-100 μm diameter colorless phases.

Phenocrysts consist of sub- to euhedral fractured plagioclase (An_{11}), magnetite, biotite, and rounded quartz. Lithic fragments are rare.

MODE

Phase	Volume Percent
Shards ^a and matrix	
Fibrous/spherulitic ^b	43.1
Granular ^c	39.6
Pumice: fine and coarse ^{d, e}	13.9
Phenocrysts	
Plagioclase	1.0
Opakes	1.0
Lithic fragments	1.0
Voids	0.4
Total	100.0

ANALYSES

Oxide	a (3)	b (2)	c (2)	d (1)	e (2)
SiO ₂	69.32(6.92)	85.64(11.36)	80.07(3.30)	97.03	68.75(0.97)
Al ₂ O ₃	14.86(3.73)	7.77(5.15)	8.88(1.20)	0.45	17.48(0.35)
FeO	0.22(0.28)	0.04(0.02)	0.26(0.14)	0.00	0.01(0.01)
MgO	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.02)	0.00	0.00(0.00)
BaO	0.07(0.08)	0.00(0.05)	0.00(0.02)	0.00	0.03(0.05)
CaO	0.17(0.15)	0.08(0.07)	0.78(0.21)	0.00	0.07(0.02)
Na ₂ O	3.77(1.26)	1.80(1.44)	4.33(1.11)	0.19	3.77(0.40)
K ₂ O	8.06(2.72)	4.35(4.92)	0.55(0.07)	0.02	10.73(0.28)
Total	96.47	99.67	94.86	97.70	100.84
Qz	15.74	56.18	51.06		6.06
Or	49.48	26.72	3.51		62.41
Ab	34.80	16.81	42.00		31.52
An	0.00	0.29	3.43		0.00
	Cr+KAF	Cr+KAF	Cr+NaAF	Cr	KAF

YM-17 (226.8): Devitrified moderately welded vitric tuff. Most of this rock consists of relict shards replaced by fibrous, <3 μm wide, 40-100 μm long phases, outlined by chains of sub- μm equant to dendritic hematite grains. Interstitial phases are colorless to tan, equigranular, and <3 μm diameter. Relict pumice pyroclasts have been replaced by spherulites up to 8 mm in diameter, and sub- to euhedral tabular colorless phases, 20 to 100 μm long.

Plagioclase (An_{14-55}) is the major phenocryst phase, and occurs as fractured an- to euhedral grains up to 2 cm long. Fractured sub- to euhedral sanidine (Or_{57}), oxidized biotite, magnetite, and quartz also occur. Plagioclase, quartz, and K-feldspar sometimes exist as glomerocrysts.

MODE

Phase	Volume Percent
Shards and matrix ^a	62.9
Pumice	
Fibrous and spherulitic ^b	21.3
Coarse crystalline ^c	8.8
Authigenic patches ^{c,d}	4.8
Phenocrysts	
Plagioclase	1.8
Biotite	0.2
Lithic fragments	0.4
Total	100.2

ANALYSES

Oxide	a (4)	b (4)	c (1)	d (9)	e (5)
SiO_2	73.09(1.62)	81.02(3.18)	95.98	66.25(0.11)	78.10(4.47)
Al_2O_3	11.33(0.16)	10.70(1.18)	1.19	17.45(0.09)	11.17(2.40)
FeO	0.54(0.11)	0.20(0.10)	0.05	0.09(0.03)	0.67(0.59)
MgO	0.00(0.07)	0.00(0.00)	0.00	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.01)
BaO	0.00(0.04)	0.00(0.06)	0.08	0.01(0.02)	0.12(0.09)
CaO	0.25(0.09)	0.20(0.06)	0.03	0.10(0.04)	0.17(0.06)
Na_2O	3.47(0.26)	3.34(0.73)	0.59	4.13(0.04)	2.91(0.73)
K_2O	5.80(0.59)	4.98(0.75)	0.10	10.61(0.23)	5.79(1.37)
Total	94.49	100.45	98.02	98.64	98.93
Qz	32.35	40.37		3.63	36.81
Or	37.48	30.04		63.42	35.63
Ab	30.17	29.59		32.95	27.22
An	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.33
	Cr+KAF	Cr+KAF	Cr	KAF	Cr+KAF

YM-18 (254.8): Devitrified densely welded vitric tuff. Most of this tuff consists of fine (3-10 μm diam) colorless phases replacing shards. Zoned lenticular vugs replace coarser shards; these are outlined by fibrous phases with tabular, euhedral, colorless phases growing into and sometimes filling the centers.

Relict pumice pyroclasts are replaced by three phases. The first is an indistinct rim of fibrous to granular, <3 μm diameter phases. Voids are lined or filled with euhedral, tabular, colorless phases. Coarse fibrous to spherulitic phases occur between rims and cores.

Phenocrysts include rounded plagioclase (An_{13-39}), subhedral sanidine (Or_{54-56}), and oxidized biotite and pyroxene (?). Rounded glomerocrysts of feldspar, biotite and quartz are also present. Lithic fragments consist of welded tuffs. En echelon to branching fractures 10-20 μm wide are filled with quartz and parallel the rock fabric.

MODE

Phase	Volume Percent
Shards ^a and matrix	86.5
Pumice rims ^{b,c} and coarse vug fill ^{d,e,f}	10.4
Phenocrysts	
Sanidine	0.4
Plagioclase	1.2
Opagues	tr
Lithic fragments	0.8
Fracture filling ^g	0.8
Total	100.1

ANALYSES

Oxide	a (12)	b (7)	c (6)	d (7)	e (3)	f (5)	g (1)
SiO_2	78.28(0.52)	94.34(1.29)	71.66(4.78)	100.90(0.21)	68.05(0.20)	68.98(0.63)	97.88
Al_2O_3	11.18(0.27)	0.45(0.13)	15.29(2.77)	0.14(0.04)	20.93(0.31)	18.20(0.68)	0.29
BaO	0.04(0.02)	0.04(0.01)	0.06(0.01)	0.00(0.00)	0.01(0.01)	0.00(0.00)	0.17
CaO	0.34(0.07)	0.02(0.02)	0.77(0.48)	0.00(0.00)	2.42(0.14)	0.34(0.12)	0.05
Na_2O	3.25(0.18)	0.16(0.07)	5.09(0.96)	0.05(0.00)	9.79(0.18)	5.17(0.40)	0.03
K_2O	5.14(0.16)	0.06(0.03)	5.42(3.82)	0.01(0.01)	1.29(0.33)	8.96(0.48)	0.00
Total	98.23	95.03	98.29	101.10	102.49	101.65	98.42
Qz	37.54		18.57		1.35	3.82	
Or	31.46		32.35		7.17	51.24	
Ab	30.24		46.18		82.68	44.93	
An	0.76		2.85		8.80	0.00	
Cr+KAF		Cr	Cr+KAF	Cr/Qz	NaAF	KAF	Qz

YM-22 (258.5): Devitrified densely welded vitric tuff. This rock consists of relict pumices in a matrix of small shards and vugs (5-20 μm long) filled with finely crystalline, pale brown to colorless phases. Coarser shards and pumice pyroclasts are zoned, ranging from 10 μm diameter, colorless phases along rims to 300 μm diameter phases in the centers.

Rare phenocrysts include equant, slightly rounded plagioclase (An_{14-16}), amphibole(?) and biotite(?) replaced by hematite, alkali feldspar, and magnetite. Lithic fragments consist of rounded vitric tuff clasts. The rock is crossed by an echelon, 20-150 μm wide fractures, which are filled with quartz and parallel the fabric.

MODE

Phase	Volume Percent
Matrix ^a	59.2
Shards ^b	23.7
Pumice	
Granular rim ^c	6.6
Fibrous/spherulitic	4.6
Coarse crystalline ^{d,e}	4.4
Phenocrysts	
Plagioclase	1.0
Lithic fragments	0.4
Fracture filling ^f	0.2
Total	100.1

ANALYSES

Oxide	a (3)	b (3)	c (2)	d (4)	e (2)	f (2)
SiO ₂	83.07(5.26)	76.79(10.52)	69.56(1.75)	68.92(1.70)	98.24(0.99)	98.21(0.45)
Al ₂ O ₃	8.98(3.37)	11.94(4.98)	17.04(0.96)	17.11(1.20)	0.27(0.16)	0.25(0.02)
FeO	0.18(0.05)	0.14(0.12)	0.08(0.04)	0.07(0.04)	0.01(0.01)	0.02(0.00)
MgO	0.02(0.04)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.02)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)
BaO	0.00(0.00)	0.03(0.03)	0.00(0.06)	0.01(0.03)	0.00(0.00)	0.01(0.01)
CaO	0.11(0.05)	0.17(0.16)	0.65(0.44)	0.44(0.46)	0.01(0.01)	0.00(0.02)
Na ₂ O	2.30(1.15)	3.42(2.09)	5.38(1.88)	4.88(1.58)	0.01(0.02)	0.01(0.01)
K ₂ O	4.99(1.94)	6.17(4.24)	6.54(1.84)	7.27(1.56)	0.02(0.03)	0.02(0.02)
Total	99.65	98.66	99.26	98.70	98.56	98.52
Qz	49.03	32.61	10.85	10.86		
Or	30.66	37.69	38.29	43.03		
Ab	20.31	29.70	47.87	43.91		
An	0.00	0.00	3.01	2.20		
	Qz+KAF	Qz+KAF	KAF+Qz	KAF+Qz	Qz	Qz

YM-19 (267.9): Devitrified densely welded vitric tuff. This tuff consists of three major, gradational phases. The most common is a slightly elongated (2-5 μm long), fine-grained colorless phase. Finely disseminated through this phase are very fine grained (<0.5 μm diam) hematite grains. Spherulitic patches 300-600 μm wide are scattered throughout. At contacts between these two phases are coarser (up to 2 μm wide and 10 μm long) hematite grains.

Lenticular vugs, 100-0 μm long, are filled with sub- to euhedral, equant to tabular, colorless phases.

Rare phenocrysts consist of sanidine (Or_{58}), subhedral plagioclase (An_{16-23}) up to 100 μm long, quartz, and biotite replaced by hematite. Rare lithic fragments include devitrified rhyolitic lava clasts.

MODE

Phase	Volume Percent
Shards and matrix ^a	72.2
Pumice (including rims) ^{b,c}	24.9
Phenocrysts	
Sanidine	1.2
Opakes	0.9
Plagioclase	0.6
Fracture filling ^d	0.3
Total	100.0

ANALYSES

Oxide	a (14)	b (2)	c (5)	d (1)
SiO_2	75.72(2.01)	95.41(0.32)	76.26(2.89)	97.86
Al_2O_3	12.46(0.99)	0.23(0.12)	12.13(1.93)	0.38
FeO	0.56(0.22)	0.04(0.04)	0.70(0.77)	0.01
HgO	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00
BaO	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00
CaO	0.20(0.02)	0.00(0.00)	0.27(0.15)	0.00
Na_2O	3.34(0.22)	0.00(0.00)	3.38(0.63)	0.12
K_2O	6.16(0.57)	0.00(0.00)	5.58(1.31)	0.03
Total	98.44	95.68	98.32	98.39
Qz	30.52		32.79	
Or	37.64		34.24	
Ab	31.01		31.53	
An	0.84		1.40	
Qz+KAF		Cr/Qz	Qz+KAF	Qz

YM-23 (272.5): Devitrified densely welded vitric tuff. Most of this rock consists of a matrix of relict shards, 15-50 μm long, with fine ($<5 \mu\text{m}$ diam) granular, colorless phases occurring interstitially. Zoned vugs replace the coarser shards; rims consist of fibrous, $<5 \mu\text{m}$ wide, 20-30 μm long phases and centers are filled with colorless, sub- to euhedral blocky phases up to 100 μm in diameter. Pumice pyroclasts are replaced by the same phases as in the zoned vugs, but the zonation is less well defined.

Fractured or rounded sanidine (Or_{55}) is the most abundant of the rare phenocrysts; magnetite, plagioclase, quartz, and biotite also occur. Lithic fragments consist of older welded tuffs. Occasional fractures are filled with quartz.

MODE

Phase	Volume Percent
Small shards and matrix ^a :	
Fibrous and granular ^{b,c}	54.5
Coarse shards	15.9
Pumice: fibrous ^e and coarse crystalline ^d	27.2
Phenocrysts	
Plagioclase and sanidine	0.6
Opakes	0.2
Fracture filling ^f	0.2
Other	1.4
Total	100.0

ANALYSES

Oxide	a (3)	b (1)	c (1)	d (2)	e (2)	f (1)
SiO_2	77.19(0.46)	97.72	67.90	69.06(0.18)	81.37(1.44)	96.82
Al_2O_3	10.98(0.26)	0.46	17.94	17.05(0.55)	10.04(0.84)	0.34
FeO	0.54(0.29)	0.00	0.10	0.23(0.19)	0.28(0.14)	0.00
MgO	0.00(0.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.02)	0.00
BaO	0.00(0.05)	0.00	0.00	0.05(0.08)	0.06(0.05)	0.14
CaO	0.16(0.07)	0.02	0.07	0.15(0.02)	0.17(0.01)	0.00
Na_2O	2.95(0.50)	0.12	3.73	4.22(0.00)	2.66(0.22)	0.11
K_2O	5.96(0.99)	0.03	10.63	9.32(0.65)	5.05(1.13)	0.02
Total	97.78	98.34	100.37	100.09	99.62	97.44
Qz	36.72		4.83	7.77	43.99	
Or	37.18		61.85	54.60	30.80	
Ab	26.10		32.98	37.58	24.65	
An	0.00		0.34	0.05	0.55	
	Qz+KAF	Qz/Cr	KAF	KAF	Qz+KAF	Qz/Cr

YM-24 (285.7): Devitrified densely welded vitric tuff. This tuff consists mostly of compacted relict shards up to 1 mm long. These are crossed by 1-2 cm diameter, coarsely crystalline spherulites; several of these originate in pumice pyroclasts but may extend beyond them. The matrix consists of pale brown to colorless granular phases 5-15 μ m in diameter with finely dispersed sub- μ m hematite grains.

Relict pumices are zoned; fibrous rims grade into blocky, colorless phases in the interiors.

Trace phenocrysts include sanidine (Or_{63}), plagioclase (An_{16-34}), oxidized hornblende and biotite, magnetite, and glomerocrysts of plagioclase and hornblende. Lithic fragments include subangular chert clasts up to 1 mm long and rounded welded tuff clasts. En echelon fractures 15-150 μ m wide parallel to the rock fabric are filled with quartz.

MODE

Phase	Volume Percent
Shards and matrix ^a	30.00
Pumice ^{b,c}	11.3
Spherulitic patches ^d	50.0
Phenocrysts	
Plagioclase and sanidine	tr
Biotite	tr
Hornblende	tr
Lithic fragments	8.0
Fracture filling ^e	0.7
Total	100.0

ANALYSES

Oxide	a (4)	b (4)	c (3)	d (2)	e (3)
SiO_2	80.18(3.43)	99.40(0.83)	67.83(0.08)	74.74(0.19)	95.82(1.50)
Al_2O_3	11.69(1.93)	0.41(0.08)	18.63(0.25)	14.61(0.45)	1.18(0.60)
FeO	0.31(0.36)	0.07(0.04)	0.14(0.05)	0.19(0.10)	0.00(0.02)
MgO	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)
BaO	0.00(0.00)	0.05(0.09)	0.06(0.10)	0.19(0.12)	0.13(0.07)
CaO	0.17(0.14)	0.01(0.01)	0.15(0.06)	0.12(0.06)	0.03(0.04)
Na_2O	3.10(0.92)	0.12(0.11)	4.61(0.27)	3.75(0.54)	0.42(0.33)
K_2O	5.96(0.84)	0.03(0.01)	10.50(0.41)	7.96(0.18)	0.09(0.09)
Total	101.40	100.09	101.92	101.56	97.68

Qz	36.18		1.32	20.81	
Or	35.42		60.20	46.70	
Ab	28.00		38.48	32.50	
An	0.38		0.00	0.00	
	Qz+KAF	Qz/Cr	KAF	Qz+AF	Qz

YM-25 (308.4): Devitrified densely welded vitric tuff. This rock is nearly identical to YM-24, with the exception of more abundant spherulites in both the matrix and pumice pyroclasts. Spherulitic zones cut cross-fabric, and are not limited to single pyroclasts. Rare phenocrysts include oxidized hornblende and biotite, quartz, and plagioclase (An₁₂₋₄₇). Thin fractures are filled with quartz.

MODE

Phase	volume Percent
Matrix ^a and shards	33.6
Pumice ^{b,c}	11.1
Spherulitic patches ^d	55.0
Phenocrysts	
Hornblende	0.3
Plagioclase	tr
Biotite	tr
Lithic fragments	tr
Fracture filling	tr
Total	100.0

ANALYSES

Oxide	a (5)	b (3)	c (3)	d (4)
SiO ₂	78.51(0.59)	97.15(1.64)	67.59(0.35)	75.37(3.36)
Al ₂ O ₃	12.53(0.19)	0.45(0.08)	18.98(0.33)	13.32(1.43)
FeO	0.58(0.30)	0.11(0.08)	0.20(0.13)	0.59(0.30)
MgO	0.00(0.03)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.01)
BaO	0.16(0.14)	0.35(0.36)	0.24(0.21)	0.04(0.04)
CaO	0.27(0.11)	0.02(0.03)	0.31(0.22)	0.15(0.05)
Na ₂ O	3.23(0.43)	0.15(0.13)	5.07(0.71)	3.67(0.65)
K ₂ O	5.98(0.99)	0.04(0.02)	9.53(1.07)	7.34(1.23)
Total	101.75	98.27	101.92	100.48
Qz	33.36		0.76	25.76
Or	35.69		54.40	44.28
Ab	29.30		43.99	29.96
An	1.65		0.86	0.00
	Qz+KAF	Qz/Cr	KAF	Qz+KAF

YM-26 (J23.3): Devitrified densely welded vitric tuff. This rock is nearly identical to YM-21 and YM-25. Phenocrysts, fracture filling, and replacement phases are the same.

MODE

Phase	Volume Percent
Shards and matrix ^a	34.0
Pumice ^{b,c} (including rims and centers of vugs ^{d,e})	10.3
Spherulitic patches ^f	54.7
Phenocrysts	
Plagioclase	0.3
Biotite	tr
Hornblende	tr
Lithic fragments	0.7
Fracture filling	tr
Total	100.0

ANALYSES	a	b	c	d	e	f
Oxide	(2)	(1)	(2)	(2)	(3)	(5)
SiO ₂	75.97(6.06)	96.71	76.05(2.67)	66.17(1.75)	95.63(2.70)	72.52(2.95)
Al ₂ O ₃	12.31(2.81)	0.54	10.25(1.48)	17.57(0.09)	0.37(0.03)	14.92(1.50)
FeO	0.35(0.06)	0.08	0.49(0.33)	0.04(0.06)	0.03(0.03)	0.33(0.23)
MgO	0.00(0.00)	0.00	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.02)
BaO	0.59(0.32)	0.00	0.05(0.08)	0.49(0.13)	0.23(0.24)	0.13(0.06)
CaO	0.34(0.34)	0.04	0.09(0.01)	0.15(0.09)	0.02(0.02)	0.21(0.07)
Na ₂ O	3.77(0.59)	0.17	2.82(0.35)	4.35(0.61)	0.14(0.12)	4.35(0.91)
K ₂ O	5.74(4.38)	0.00	5.41(0.91)	10.01(1.15)	0.01(0.01)	7.66(0.87)
Total	99.07	97.54	95.16	98.78	96.43	100.13
Qz	30.27		39.32	3.19		17.70
Or	35.19		34.67	59.70		45.73
Ab	34.54		26.01	37.11		36.51
An	0.00		0.00	0.00		0.00
	Qz+KAF	Qz/Cr	Qz+KAF	KAF	Qz/Cr	Qz+KAF

YM-27 (339.1): Devitrified densely welded vitric tuff. This rock is nearly identical to samples YM-24 through YM-26, in both texture and authigenic phase assemblage. Phenocrysts are limited to plagioclase (An₃₁), alkali feldspar, and quartz. 200-250 μm wide en echelon fractures parallel to the rock fabric are filled with quartz.

MODE

Phase	Volume Percent
Matrix ^a and shards	67.3
Pumice (zoned vugs) including rims ^{b,c} and crystalline cores ^d	29.6
Phenocrysts	
Alkali feldspar	0.6
Plagioclase	0.2
Quartz	0.2
Lithic fragments	0.8
Fracture filling ^e	1.4
Total	100.1

ANALYSES

Oxide	a (9)	b (3)	c (4)	d (3)	e (2)
SiO ₂	77.61(2.82)	98.05(0.38)	68.17(0.93)	95.66(1.85)	94.15(0.29)
Al ₂ O ₃	13.21(1.94)	0.30(0.10)	18.68(0.91)	1.87(1.45)	0.29(0.04)
FeO	0.51(0.40)	0.04(0.02)	0.23(0.15)	0.04(0.03)	0.05(0.01)
MgO	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)
BaO	0.12(0.02)	0.08(0.02)	0.11(0.02)	0.10(0.05)	0.21(0.01)
CaO	0.55(0.40)	0.00(0.00)	0.85(0.50)	0.01(0.01)	0.00(0.00)
Na ₂ O	4.16(0.94)	0.01(0.01)	6.15(1.85)	0.41(0.35)	0.00(0.00)
K ₂ O	4.48(1.97)	0.02(0.02)	5.83(1.40)	0.75(0.65)	0.01(0.01)
Total	100.64	98.50	100.02	98.84	94.71
Qz	32.41		7.29		
Or	26.79		33.94		
Ab	37.81		54.41		
An	2.99		4.35		
Qz+AF		Qz/Cr	AF+Qz	Qz/Cr	Qz

YM-28 (351.3): Devitrified densely welded vitric tuff. This rock is similar in many respects to YM-26 and YM-27, but contains much more of the evenly dispersed hematite. Hematite occurs as solid strands outlining relict pyroclasts, as finely crystalline (<0.2 μm diam) grains dispersed throughout the rock, and as irregular patches 10 μm in diameter.

Phenocrysts include zoned plagioclase (An_{30} core, $_{18}$ rim), quartz, sanidine (Or_{56}) and magnetite. Fractures parallel to the fabric are about 10 μm wide and filled with quartz. Lithic fragments consist of devitrified rhyolitic lava clasts.

MODE

Phase	Volume Percent
Matrix ^a and shards	62.2
Pumice (zoned vugs, including rims ^{b,c} and cores ^{d,e,f})	26.5
Phenocrysts	
Plagioclase	1.1
Sanidine	0.4
Quartz	0.2
Lithic fragments	6.1
Fracture filling ^g	0.4
Total	99.9

ANALYSES

Oxide	a (4)	b (5)	c (3)	d (5)	e (2)	f (5)	g (2)
SiO_2	79.86(2.19)	81.68(8.05)	68.02(1.33)	67.44(1.10)	67.75(0.05)	96.16(1.50)	94.84
Al_2O_3	11.75(0.91)	10.73(4.34)	18.30(0.73)	18.74(0.49)	19.93(0.68)	0.39(0.08)	0.36
FeO	0.65(0.12)	0.26(0.25)	0.16(0.08)	0.13(0.03)	0.07(0.02)	0.01(0.03)	0.02
MgO	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00
BaO	0.09(0.01)	0.52(0.87)	0.10(0.02)	0.11(0.02)	0.17(0.06)	0.09(0.09)	0.25
CaO	0.58(0.44)	0.16(0.12)	0.24(0.03)	0.32(0.10)	1.76(0.37)	0.00(0.01)	0.00
Na_2O	3.65(0.35)	2.63(0.85)	4.63(0.19)	5.07(0.39)	9.94(0.98)	0.12(0.06)	0.04
K_2O	3.47(2.49)	5.33(2.78)	9.21(0.52)	8.70(0.62)	0.93(0.10)	0.01(0.01)	0.02
Total	100.05	101.31	100.66	100.51	100.55	96.78	95.53
Qz	41.70	42.52	4.64	3.42	2.52		
Or	21.22	32.02	53.29	50.29	5.27		
Ab	33.93	24.01	40.72	44.54	85.49		
An	3.15	1.47	1.35	1.75	6.72		
	Qz+AF	Qz+KAF	KAF	KAF	NaAF	Qz/Cr	Qz

YM-29 (364.3): Densely welded vitric tuff. This rock is similar mineralogically and texturally to YM-27 and YM-28. Spherulitic patches up to 4 mm in diameter consist of cores of tabular, colorless phases (up to 250 μ m long), rimmed with thin fibrous phases.

Phenocrysts include sanidine (Or_{59-62}), plagioclase (An_{18}), quartz, hornblende, and magnetite. Lithic fragments include subrounded to subangular equant clasts of rhyolitic lava and welded tuff. En echelon fractures, parallel to the fabric, are filled with quartz.

MODE	Volume Percent
Phase	
Matrix ^a and shards	61.2
Spherulitic patches ^b	16.2
Pumice, including rims ^c and cores ^{d,e}	17.0
Phenocrysts	
Plagioclase	1.0
Sanidine	tr
Hornblende	tr
Magnetite	tr
Quartz	tr
Lithic fragments	2.7
Fracture filling ^f	1.9
Total	100.0

ANALYSES	a	b	c	d	e	f
Oxide	(7)	(4)	(2)	(5)	(2)	(2)
SiO ₂	78.55(1.71)	85.66(4.54)	77.18(2.22)	67.98(0.97)	97.50(1.36)	96.65(0.20)
Al ₂ O ₃	12.26(0.61)	8.32(2.43)	12.81(0.88)	18.69(0.36)	0.44(0.01)	0.25(0.00)
FeO	0.62(0.42)	0.12(0.07)	0.75(0.71)	0.07(0.02)	0.01(0.00)	0.00(0.01)
MgO	0.03(0.03)	0.00(0.01)	0.00(0.02)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)
BaO	0.11(0.02)	0.19(0.05)	0.12(0.08)	0.14(0.04)	0.08(0.07)	0.10(0.04)
CaO	0.30(0.11)	0.11(0.05)	0.12(0.05)	0.19(0.11)	0.01(0.01)	0.00(0.00)
Na ₂ O	3.21(0.29)	2.24(0.85)	3.23(0.00)	4.87(0.34)	0.11(0.01)	0.00(0.00)
K ₂ O	5.42(1.25)	3.67(1.98)	6.17(1.25)	9.17(0.64)	0.02(0.00)	0.00(0.00)
Total	100.50	100.31	100.38	101.11	98.17	97.01
Qz	35.92	55.77	32.09	3.59		
Or	32.81	22.47	37.36	52.70		
Ab	29.54	20.84	29.73	42.55		
An	1.73	0.93	0.83	1.17		
	Qz+KAF	Qz+KAF	Qz+KAF	KAF	Qz/Cr	Qz

YM-30 (385.4): Devitrified densely welded vitric lithic tuff (vitrophyre). Densely welded and compacted shards with fibrous pale orange-brown cores and colorless rims comprise most of this tuff. Pumice pyroclasts are replaced by fine (<2 μm) to medium (up to 200 μm diam) colorless, equant to spherulitic phases.

Quartz, plagioclase (An_{31}), sanidine (Or_{66}), and biotite are the phenocrysts. Abundant large (6-10 mm diam) lithics consist of equant to slightly elongate fragments of devitrified welded tuff. Branching fractures 1-40 μm wide are oriented normal to the fabric and are filled with heulandite and montmorillonite.

MODE

Phase	Volume Percent
Matrix ^e and shards ^a	60.7
Pumice, ^f including spherulites ^b and coarse phases ^c	12.9
Phenocrysts	
Quartz	1.3
Plagioclase	0.6
Sanidine	0.2
Lithic fragments	21.6
Fracture lining ^d	1.7
Voids	1.0
Total	100.0

ANALYSES

Oxide	a (1)	b (2)	c (1)	d (2)	e (3)	f (4)
SiO_2	69.22	67.04(0.19)	61.66	63.79(1.32)	69.14(2.09)	79.58(2.59)
Al_2O_3	15.61	18.36(0.16)	13.92	13.93(0.54)	15.41(1.32)	11.25(1.43)
FeO	0.15	0.19(0.10)	0.01	0.08(0.07)	0.63(0.12)	0.38(0.18)
HgO	0.00	0.00(0.01)	0.57	1.24(0.11)	0.01(0.02)	0.02(0.04)
BaO	0.02	0.12(0.01)	0.09	0.06(0.00)	0.10(0.09)	0.20(0.14)
CaO	0.11	0.11(0.00)	5.12	4.47(0.27)	0.17(0.02)	0.27(0.12)
Na_2O	1.50	2.81(0.09)	0.33	0.15(0.07)	2.79(0.14)	3.92(0.48)
K_2O	3.65	11.38(0.16)	0.39	0.39(0.02)	10.48(1.16)	4.49(1.96)
Total	90.26	100.01	82.09	84.10	98.73	100.10

Qz	6.20				13.01	37.07
Or	67.64				64.03	27.18
Ab	25.39				22.96	35.74
An	0.77				0.00	0.00
Si/Al	4.26		3.76	3.89		
	Mont	KAF	Heul	Heul	Qz+KAF	Qz+KAF

YM-31 (389.9): Densely welded vitric tuff (vitropyre). Glassy shards, 150 μ m to 1 mm long, and flattened pumice pyroclasts up to 4 cm long, are crossed by perlitic cracks. A sub- μ m phase identified as heulandite lines the perlitic cracks; montmorillonite fills fractures that cut normal to the fabric.

Phenocrysts include zoned plagioclase up to 2 mm long, anorthoclase (Or₂₅), quartz, biotite replaced by hematite, and magnetite(?).

MODE

Phase	Volume Percent
Shards ^a	59.0
Pumice ^c	31.3
Phenocrysts	
Plagioclase	0.3
Biotite	0.3
Quartz	tr
Anorthoclase	tr
Opakes	tr
Lithic fragments	0.7
Perlitic crack filling ^b	8.3
Total	99.9

ANALYSES

Oxide	a (8)	b (3)	c (3)
SiO ₂	74.38(0.25)	55.67(0.10)	77.57(0.55)
Al ₂ O ₃	11.43(0.15)	14.08(1.10)	12.03(0.12)
FeO	0.47(0.22)	0.82(0.46)	0.33(0.26)
MgO	0.00(0.01)	3.30(0.55)	0.00(0.03)
BaO	0.00(0.03)	0.00(0.03)	0.06(0.02)
CaO	0.38(0.03)	2.10(0.03)	0.43(0.13)
Na ₂ O	3.69(0.11)	0.62(0.24)	2.42(0.09)
K ₂ O	4.57(0.11)	0.85(0.18)	4.31(0.16)
Total	94.92	77.44	97.16
Qz	34.20		46.16
Or	29.00		27.74
Ab	35.59		23.66
An	1.21		2.45
Si/Al		3.35	
	Glass	Heul	Glass

YM-32 (403.5): Altered nonwelded vitric-lithic tuff. This tuff consists of angular relict shards, 150 μm to 1.5 mm long, and relict pumice pyroclasts up to 6 mm long, in a matrix of tan, finely crystalline phases. Shards are replaced by colorless sub- μm diameter phases. Sub- to euhedral tabular, colorless phases up to 60 μm long line vugs developed in shards and vesicles in relict pumice pyroclasts. All of these authigenic phases are clinoptilolite.

Phenocrysts include alkali feldspar, plagioclase (An_{15-22}), and quartz. Lithics include one 3.2 cm long rounded fragment of devitrified rhyolitic lava; other lithics are fragments of welded tuffs.

MODE	Volume Percent
Phase	
Shards ^a	25.3
Pumice ^b	14.3
Matrix ^c	39.0
Vug filling ^d	9.0
Phenocrysts	
Alkali feldspar	3.3
Opagues	0.3
Plagioclase	tr
Quartz	tr
Lithic fragments	8.7
Total	99.9

ANALYSES	a	b	c	d
Oxide	(5)	(2)	(2)	(11)
SiO ₂	66.20(1.21)	67.63(0.26)	65.40(1.98)	66.46(1.49)
Al ₂ O ₃	10.86(0.18)	11.07(0.17)	11.90(0.49)	11.25(0.18)
FeO	0.00(0.00)	0.11(0.02)	0.02(0.03)	0.02(0.04)
MgO	0.47(0.11)	0.44(0.01)	0.55(0.11)	0.51(0.09)
BaO	0.03(0.03)	0.00(0.01)	0.11(0.03)	0.08(0.04)
CaO	3.58(0.28)	3.41(0.02)	3.37(0.14)	3.62(0.25)
Na ₂ O	0.44(0.06)	0.72(0.04)	0.37(0.03)	0.48(0.20)
K ₂ O	1.55(0.08)	1.63(0.00)	1.59(0.05)	1.40(0.20)
Total	83.13	85.00	83.31	83.82
Si/Al	5.17	5.18	4.66	5.01
	Clin	Clin	Clin	Clin

YM-34 (413.9): Altered non- to slightly welded vitric tuff. This tuff consists mostly of relict pumice pyroclasts, 100 μm to 6 mm long, in a matrix of 30-300 μm long shards and pale brown finely crystalline cement (also fills voids and replaces the finer grained shards). Pumice pyroclasts have been replaced by sub- μm clinoptilolite grains. Vesicles are partly filled by euhedral, tabular clinoptilolite crystals up to 10 μm long.

Phenocrysts include quartz and alkali feldspar. Lithic fragments are abundant; perlitic clasts (replaced by clinoptilolite) up to 3 mm in diameter are most common. Other lithic clasts include siltstones and welded tuffs.

MODE

Phase	Volume Percent
Matrix ^b	42.7
Pumice ^a	33.3
Shards	10.0
Vug lining ^c	2.0
Phenocrysts	
Quartz	0.3
Alkali feldspar	tr
Lithic fragments	8.3
Voids	3.3
Total	99.9

ANALYSES

Oxide	a (8)	b (5)	c (6)
SiO ₂	67.69(0.73)	63.80(3.12)	66.67(0.58)
Al ₂ O ₃	11.23(0.40)	10.25(0.76)	11.21(0.73)
FeO	0.03(0.05)	0.23(0.29)	0.00(0.00)
MgO	0.31(0.08)	0.22(0.03)	0.30(0.07)
BaO	0.07(0.03)	0.03(0.03)	0.10(0.06)
CaO	3.71(0.05)	3.07(0.20)	3.80(0.17)
Na ₂ O	0.57(0.08)	0.56(0.11)	0.35(0.12)
K ₂ O	1.79(0.21)	2.05(0.79)	1.78(0.08)
Total	85.40	80.21	84.21
Si/Al	5.11	5.28	5.05
	Cltn	Cltn	Cltn

YM-35 (421.1): Altered non-welded vitric tuff. This rock is identical texturally and mineralogically to YM-34.

MODE

Phase	Volume Percent
Matrix ^a	43.7
Shards ^b	3.3
Pumice ^c	31.3
Vug linings ^d	7.0
Phenocrysts	
Plagioclase	0.3
Biotite	0.3
Sanidine and anorthoclase	tr
Lithic fragments	8.7
Voids	5.3
Total	99.9

ANALYSES

Oxide	a (3)	b (1)	c (2)	d (2)
SiO ₂	67.08(1.48)	65.46	67.18(0.86)	66.02(0.12)
Al ₂ O ₃	9.34(0.11)	10.61	10.51(0.50)	10.90(0.17)
FeO	0.07(0.09)	0.00	0.00(0.12)	0.00(0.02)
MgO	0.00(0.03)	0.45	0.00(0.04)	0.31(0.21)
BaO	0.21(0.19)	1.11	0.00(0.12)	0.00(0.12)
CaO	2.86(0.11)	3.57	2.82(0.09)	3.44(0.22)
Na ₂ O	1.27(0.20)	0.56	1.04(0.07)	0.40(0.00)
K ₂ O	1.11(0.22)	2.05	0.92(0.13)	1.75(0.03)
Total	81.94	83.81	82.48	82.82
Si/Al	6.09	5.23	5.42	5.14
	Cl in	Cl in	Cl in	Cl in

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YM-36 (422.0): Altered nonwelded vitric tuff. This tuff consists of slightly rounded, non-vesicular, relict perlitic glass clasts and 2-5 mm long pumice pyroclasts. The former have been replaced by clinoptilolite and are zoned parallel to the perlitic cracks. The perlitic cracks are filled with an unidentified orange-brown, sub- μ m phase. The two concentric zones parallel to the cracks are an outer zone of tan, finely crystalline clinoptilolite, grading into an inner zone of some coarsely crystalline tabular clinoptilolite crystals. Pumice pyroclasts have been replaced by colorless, finely crystalline clinoptilolite.

Phenocrysts in both perlite and pumice pyroclasts include plagioclase (An_{12}), quartz, sanidine (Or_{67}), and biotite. Lithics consist of devitrified banded rhyolitic lava fragments.

MODE

Phase	Volume Percent
Pumice	51.0
Perlitic clasts	18.0
Vug lining ^a and cement ^{b,c}	24.0
Phenocrysts	
Plagioclase	1.7
Quartz	0.7
Sanidine	0.3
Biotite	tr
Lithic fragments	1.7
Voids	2.7
Total	100.1

ANALYSES

Oxide	a (5)	b (7)	c (1)
SiO ₂	66.87(0.38)	64.78(0.88)	63.29
Al ₂ O ₃	11.13(0.22)	10.35(0.56)	11.95
FeO	0.08(0.12)	0.12(0.09)	1.59
MgO	0.38(0.02)	0.44(0.05)	0.00
BaO	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.08)	0.00
CaO	3.57(0.21)	3.24(0.25)	0.19
Na ₂ O	0.57(0.24)	0.82(0.40)	4.80
K ₂ O	1.55(0.06)	1.74(0.29)	3.27
Total	84.15	81.49	85.09
Si/Al	5.10	5.31	4.49
	Clin	Clin	

YM-37 (446.7): Altered slightly welded vitric tuff. This tuff consists of slightly compacted, 0.5 to 8 mm long relict pumice pyroclasts. Glass has been replaced by a finely crystalline mixture of authigenic quartz and zeolite (heulandite/clinoptilolite). Vesicles and voids are partially to completely filled with tabular, 10-30 μ m long crystals of a zeolite (heulandite/clinoptilolite).

Phenocrysts include plagioclase (An_{15-24}), sanidine (Or_{66}), quartz, and biotite; nearly all are fractured. Lithic fragments from 300 μ m to 5 mm consist of vitric and crystal-vitric welded tuff clasts.

MODE

Phase	Volume Percent
Matrix ^{a,b}	46.3
Pumice, including vug lining and filling ^c	48.3
Phenocrysts	
Plagioclase	1.0
Sanidine	1.0
Lithic fragments	3.3
Total	99.9

ANALYSES

Oxide	a (3)	b (1)	c (10)
SiO ₂	65.40(2.63)	98.30	68.46(0.05)
Al ₂ O ₃	11.14(1.12)	0.31	11.33(0.00)
FeO	0.37(0.37)	0.00	0.01(0.00)
MgO	0.00(0.00)	0.00	0.00(0.00)
BaO	0.04(0.04)	0.00	0.01(0.00)
CaO	2.76(0.54)	0.00	3.66(0.06)
Na ₂ O	0.50(0.16)	0.08	0.67(0.11)
K ₂ O	4.05(3.59)	0.30	2.14(0.14)
Total	84.26	98.99	86.28
Si/Al	4.98		5.13
	Cl in	Qz	Cl in

YM-38 (458.7): Altered nonwelded vitric tuff. This tuff is nearly identical to YM-37 texturally and mineralogically.

MODE

Phase	Volume Percent
Perlitic clasts ^c and vug lining ^a	24.0
Pumice ^d	14.7
Matrix ^b	48.7
Phenocrysts	
Plagioclase	1.0
Sanidine	1.0
Quartz	2.0
Lithic fragments	7.7
Voids	1.0
Total	100.1

ANALYSES

Oxide	a (5)	b (3)	c (4)	d (3)
SiO ₂	65.13(5.50)	65.86(0.55)	65.55(0.91)	70.88(5.01)
Al ₂ O ₃	12.57(0.17)	9.95(0.81)	11.41(0.29)	10.25(0.92)
FeO	0.01(0.03)	0.01(0.03)	0.04(0.13)	0.01(0.02)
MgO	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.01)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.01)
BaO	0.03(0.01)	0.04(0.04)	0.14(0.09)	0.00(0.06)
CaO	3.71(0.13)	3.33(0.22)	3.46(0.09)	3.02(0.55)
Na ₂ O	0.70(0.20)	0.60(0.06)	0.78(0.18)	0.39(0.03)
K ₂ O	2.60(0.47)	2.25(0.24)	3.07(0.45)	2.10(0.48)
Total	84.75	82.05	84.46	86.65
Si/Al	4.39	5.61	4.87	5.87
	Cl in	Cl in	Cl in	Cl in

M-39 (482.9): Altered nonwelded vitric tuff. This rock consists mostly of equant to slightly elongate, angular to subrounded perlite fragments. Most of these fragments have been replaced by micro- to medium crystalline clinoptilolite and are zoned as in YM-36. Some fragments have 100-200 μ m diameter spherulites. There are also some ragged relict pumice pyroclasts up to 5 mm long. Cement consists of a finely crystalline fibrous, highly birefringent, pale yellow-brown mineral (montmorillonite?).

Phenocrysts include sanidine (Or₇₀₋₇₂), plagioclase, quartz, and biotite. A 2-mm wide black band, consisting of an oxide which is bright yellow in reflected light, crosses the sample. Perlitic cracks are lined with an orange-yellow, highly birefringent phase (montmorillonite?).

MODE

Phase	Volume Percent
Matrix ^a and shards ^b	24.0
Pumice ^d	27.7
Perlitic clasts ^e including vug lining ^c and filling	32.3
Phenocrysts	
Sanidine	1.7
Plagioclase	1.3
Quartz	0.7
Lithic fragments	8.3
Oxide crack filling	3.7
Voids	0.3
Total	100.0

ANALYSES

Oxide	a (1)	b (3)	c (4)	d (3)	e (4)
SiO ₂	57.37	66.68(1.11)	66.15(1.50)	67.93(0.13)	66.47(0.40)
Al ₂ O ₃	17.09	11.95(0.16)	12.19(0.70)	12.28(0.06)	12.06(0.27)
FeO	2.16	0.04(0.00)	0.01(0.01)	0.00(0.01)	0.00(0.01)
MgO	0.23	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)
BaO	0.00	0.01(0.02)	0.00(0.00)	0.08(0.02)	0.07(0.02)
CaO	0.37	3.92(0.18)	3.82(0.13)	4.43(0.16)	4.13(0.24)
Na ₂ O	0.16	0.92(0.07)	0.83(0.09)	0.31(0.14)	0.42(0.07)
K ₂ O	5.56	2.25(0.20)	2.78(0.42)	1.42(0.29)	2.30(0.71)
Total	82.94	85.77	85.78	86.45	85.46
Si/Al	2.84	4.73	4.60	4.69	4.68
	Mont	Clin	Clin	Clin	Clin

YM-40 (508.1): Altered non-welded vitric tuff. Poorly preserved, angular relict pumice pyroclasts, 300 μm to 4 mm long, are enclosed in a matrix of pale brown, 1-5 μm diameter zeolite grains. Within the matrix only faint relict shard forms are preserved. Voids and vesicles are filled with euhedral tabular crystals of authigenic K-feldspar and quartz.

Phenocrysts include plagioclase (An_{13-17}), sanidine (Or_{48}), quartz, and magnetite. Lithic fragments consist of rounded clasts of welded tuff, 300 μm to 3.5 mm in diameter.

Phase	Volume Percent
Matrix ^a	49.7
Pumice ^f , including vug lining ^{b,c,d} and filling ^e	44.3
Phenocrysts	
Quartz	1.0
Sanidine	0.7
Plagioclase	0.3
Lithic fragments	4.0
Total	100.0

ANALYSES	a	b	c	d	e	f
Oxide	(2)	(9)	(5)	(1)	(2)	(2)
SiO_2	64.85(0.75)	69.13(0.25)	63.42(4.83)	98.54	67.79(0.31)	56.98(0.31)
Al_2O_3	8.93(0.25)	16.61(0.23)	10.75(0.59)	0.63	17.35(0.34)	9.55(0.02)
FeO	0.13(0.06)	0.03(0.01)	0.59(0.49)	0.04	0.04(0.01)	0.35(0.36)
MgO	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.01)
BaO	0.00(0.00)	0.02(0.01)	0.00(0.00)	0.00	0.03(0.05)	0.03(0.04)
CaO	2.32(0.08)	0.00(0.00)	2.89(0.32)	0.01	0.00(0.00)	2.88(0.19)
Na_2O	0.99(0.13)	0.03(0.00)	0.78(0.09)	0.18	0.04(0.00)	0.70(0.01)
K_2O	1.53(0.11)	15.85(0.02)	2.29(0.30)	0.21	16.03(0.18)	2.21(0.13)
Total	78.75	101.67	77.83	99.61	101.28	72.69

Qz		9.28			5.86	
Or		90.72			94.14	
Ab		0.00			0.00	
An		0.00			0.00	
Si/Al	6.16		5.01			5.06
	Cl in	KAF	Cl in	Qz	KAF	Cl in

YN-41 (540.8): Devitrified (?) non-welded vitric tuff. Only a few faint relict pyroclasts can be seen in this highly altered tuff. Most of the rock consists of pale brown, finely crystalline, 1-4 μ m diameter phases. These may be a mixture of authigenic feldspar, quartz, and zeolite (?). Poorly defined relict pumices range from 1 mm to several cm in length, and have been replaced by a mixture of alkali feldspar and quartz.

Phenocrysts include plagioclase (An₁₇₋₂₉), alkali feldspar, and quartz. Abundant lithic fragments are all sub-rounded clasts of welded tuff.

MODE

Phase	Volume Percent
Matrix ^{a,d}	54.0
Pumice ^b and vug filling ^c	33.0
Phenocrysts	
Plagioclase	1.6
Alkali feldspar	1.0
Quartz	1.0
Lithic fragments	4.9
Voids	4.5
Total	100.0

ANALYSES

Oxide	a (2)	b (2)	c (4)	d (3)
SiO ₂	65.15(0.78)	87.81(4.33)	66.81(0.39)	70.00(2.92)
Al ₂ O ₃	8.37(0.16)	6.27(1.76)	15.40(0.37)	11.56(1.94)
FeO	0.28(0.33)	0.11(0.00)	0.21(0.10)	0.49(0.14)
MgO	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)
BaO	0.00(0.00)	0.03(0.01)	0.00(0.06)	0.10(0.06)
CaO	0.85(0.21)	0.12(0.06)	0.04(0.02)	1.55(0.56)
Na ₂ O	0.51(0.11)	1.88(0.64)	0.05(0.01)	0.53(0.10)
K ₂ O	5.99(3.69)	3.43(0.69)	15.47(0.50)	4.24(2.16)
Total	81.15	99.65	98.00	88.47

Qz		63.79	11.07	
Or		21.44	88.93	
Ab		14.77	0.00	
An		0.00	0.00	
Si/Al	6.60			5.14
	Cl in	Qz+KAF	KAF	Cl in

YM-42 (556.1): Coarse sandstone: clayey, very immature, feldspathic, volcanic litharenite. This rock is an 'alluvial' sandstone, consisting mostly of angular fragments of devitrified or zeolitized welded tuff. Other grains include slightly rounded perlitic fragments, rhyolitic lavas, biotite, alkali feldspar, plagioclase, magnetite, and calcite pseudomorphing plagioclase. The matrix consists of heavily hematite-stained clay.

MODE

Phase	Volume Percent
Clay matrix	45.7
Lithic clasts	
Perlite	3.3
Altered welded tuff ^{a,b,c,d}	27.3
Rhyolite (?) lava	6.7
Crystal clasts	
Plagioclase	9.3
Magnetite	2.0
Quartz	2.0
Biotite	1.0
Alkali feldspar	1.3
Calcite filling or replacement	1.3
Total	99.9

ANALYSES

Oxide	a (2)	b (2)	c (2)	d (2)
SiO ₂	63.46(2.19)	63.00(0.11)	66.53(0.17)	67.41(1.63)
Al ₂ O ₃	19.96(1.55)	13.94(0.07)	12.94(0.07)	13.42(0.39)
FeO	0.24(0.08)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.24(0.16)
MgO	0.00(0.01)	0.15(0.00)	0.08(0.03)	0.18(0.06)
BaO	0.00(0.02)	0.00(0.03)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.01)
CaO	2.38(2.06)	5.71(0.09)	5.02(0.07)	4.64(0.46)
Na ₂ O	3.60(1.83)	0.22(0.02)	0.21(0.02)	0.30(0.01)
K ₂ O	9.34(4.18)	1.01(0.00)	1.21(0.21)	2.28(1.47)
Total	98.99	84.04	86.00	88.45

Qz	1.49			
Or	55.28			
Ab	32.39			
An	10.75			
Si/Al		3.83	4.36	4.26
	KAF	Heul	Heul	Heul

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YM-43 (564.5): Devitrified welded vitric-crystal tuff. This tuff consists of very poorly preserved relict pumice pyroclasts up to 350 μm long in a matrix of uniformly mixed finely crystalline (2-4 μm diam) colorless phases and coarser (60-90 μm diam), equigranular, colorless, anhedral phases. Relict pumice pyroclasts have been replaced by a mixture of the fine grained phase described above and medium crystalline (up to 350 μm long) subhedral phases.

Rounded sanidine (Or_{54}), magnetite, resorbed quartz, and oxidized biotite are the major phenocryst phases. Lithic fragments include slightly angular to rounded siltstone clasts, stained by hematite.

MODE

Phase	Volume Percent
Matrix ^{a,b}	47.3
Pumice ^{c,d}	
Medium crystalline	28.2
Coarse crystalline	14.4
Phenocrysts	
Sanidine	7.7
Quartz	1.3
Biotite	0.3
Lithic fragments	0.7
Total	99.9

ANALYSES

	a	b	c	d
Oxide	(3)	(1)	(4)	(4)
SiO_2	90.77(0.71)	56.82	93.87(0.13)	65.47(0.86)
Al_2O_3	2.37(0.29)	10.36	0.45(0.08)	17.20(0.22)
FeO	0.11(0.15)	2.45	0.00(0.00)	0.12(0.03)
MgO	0.00(0.00)	0.00	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)
BaO	0.00(0.02)	0.04	0.00(0.00)	0.01(0.02)
CaO	0.03(0.01)	0.03	0.00(0.00)	0.12(0.03)
Na_2O	0.38(0.15)	1.10	0.09(0.02)	2.48(0.15)
K_2O	1.41(0.22)	9.94	0.11(0.05)	11.47(0.38)
Total	95.06	80.73	94.52	96.87
Qz				6.49
Or				69.90
Ab				22.98
An				0.63
Si/Al		4.66		
	Qz	Mont	Qz	KAF

YM-44 (569.7): Devitrified welded vitric-crystal tuff. This tuff is similar texturally and mineralogically to YM-4J. Major differences are 1) fewer relict pumice pyroclasts, and 2) more phenocrysts.

Phase	Volume Percent
Matrix ^{a,b}	53.3
Pumice	
Medium crystalline	22.7
Coarse crystalline ^c	13.7
Phenocrysts	
Sanidine	5.3
Plagioclase	4.3
Biotite	0.7
Quartz	tr
Total	100.0

ANALYSES	a	b	c
Oxide	(1)	(2)	(3)
SiO ₂	64.39	92.41(1.58)	95.84(0.45)
Al ₂ O ₃	20.40	0.68(0.41)	0.32(0.02)
FeO	0.14	0.00(0.00)	0.04(0.04)
MgO	0.00	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)
BaO	0.00	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.03)
CaO	1.94	0.02(0.03)	0.00(0.00)
Na ₂ O	8.69	0.15(0.11)	0.09(0.00)
K ₂ O	1.93	0.21(0.25)	0.02(0.01)
Total	97.52	93.47	96.30
Qz	1.98		
Or	11.28		
Ab	77.22		
An	9.53		
	NaAF	Qz	Qz

YM-45 (588.4): Devitrified welded vitric-crystal tuff. Poorly preserved relict pumice pyroclasts, 3-4 mm long with abundant voids are enclosed by very fine (1-2 μm diam) to fine (10-25 μm) granular to fibrous colorless phases. Pumice pyroclasts are replaced by a mixture of these fine grained phases, spherulites, and sub- to euhedral tabular, colorless crystals up to 100 μm long.

Phenocrysts include resorbed to euhedral plagioclase, sanidine (Or_{51-56}), and biotite. Rare lithic fragments consist of welded tuff clasts.

Phase	Volume Percent
Matrix	
Fibrous/granular ^a	36.6
Coarse crystalline ^{b,c}	30.1
Pumice	
Fibrous/spherulitic	5.0
Coarse crystalline ^d	5.0
Phenocrysts	
Sanidine	8.9
Plagioclase	4.2
Biotite	0.4
Lithic fragments	0.6
Voids	9.3
Total	100.1

ANALYSES	a	b	c	d
Oxide	(2)	(2)	(1)	(3)
SiO_2	59.01(0.75)	94.29(1.12)	63.09	94.38(1.00)
Al_2O_3	16.01(0.08)	0.38(0.08)	22.84	0.40(0.05)
FeO	0.75(0.04)	0.03(0.01)	0.08	0.00(0.02)
MgO	0.36(0.04)	0.00(0.00)	0.00	0.00(0.00)
BaO	0.05(0.06)	0.01(0.01)	0.21	0.00(0.03)
CaO	0.55(0.01)	0.00(0.00)	4.61	0.00(0.01)
Na_2O	3.11(0.42)	0.11(0.01)	8.41	0.14(0.04)
K_2O	5.45(0.71)	0.05(0.01)	0.71	0.10(0.13)
Total	85.21	94.87	100.14	95.03

Qz			1.34	
Or			4.05	
Ab			72.91	
An			21.70	
Si/Al	3.12			
	Mont	Qz	NaAF	Qz

YM-46 (610.1): Devitrified densely welded vitric-crystal tuff. Numerous relict pumice pyroclasts are in a matrix of highly compacted relict shards and cement. Pumice pyroclasts have been replaced by 1.5 mm diameter spherulites and by 2-5 μ m long fibrous phases (mostly alkali feldspar). Shards are replaced by anhedral, colorless phases, 60 μ m long and 6 μ m wide. Abundant hematite occurs as disseminated 1-3 μ m diameter grains.

Phenocrysts include plagioclase (An₈₋₉), alkali feldspar, and resorbed quartz; most are fractured. A 3-5 mm wide band of Mn-oxides crosses this sample.

MODE

Phase	Volume Percent
Matrix ^{a,b,c} and shards ^d	52.7
Pumice including spherulites ^{e,f}	31.0
Phenocrysts	
Alkali feldspar	5.7
Plagioclase	4.3
Quartz	2.7
Lithic fragments	0.3
Opaque fracture filling	2.3
Dispersed hematite	1.0
Total	100.0

ANALYSES

Oxide	a (1)	b (2)	c (3)	d (3)	e (5)	f (2)
SiO ₂	93.05	76.84(5.87)	81.84(2.46)	90.48(2.58)	50.44(2.29)	51.35(1.08)
Al ₂ O ₃	0.83	8.41(6.32)	9.72(0.80)	5.71(2.04)	13.34(0.09)	12.87(0.11)
FeO	0.01	0.13(0.18)	0.63(0.18)	0.38(0.49)	0.12(0.05)	2.71(0.50)
MgO	0.00	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)
BaO	0.06	0.16(0.03)	0.02(0.02)	0.05(0.06)	0.02(0.04)	0.05(0.06)
CaO	0.00	0.13(0.06)	0.18(0.01)	0.04(0.02)	0.12(0.02)	0.11(0.02)
Na ₂ O	0.18	2.57(0.23)	3.00(0.27)	0.93(0.24)	3.15(0.09)	2.85(0.04)
K ₂ O	0.15	2.25(1.90)	4.05(0.29)	2.30(0.70)	7.54(0.39)	8.01(0.33)
Total	94.29	90.36	99.43	99.89	74.73	77.95

Qz			46.17			
Or			24.86			
Ab			28.00			
An			0.97			
Si/Al					3.21	3.39
	Qz	Qz+AF	Qz+AF	Qz	Mord	Mord

YM-47 (G36.3): Devitrified(?) nonwelded vitric-crystal tuff. This rock consists mostly of relict shards with occasional compacted relict pumice pyroclasts. All pyroclasts have been replaced by finely crystalline (<2 μm diam) grains of clinoptilolite.

Abundant phenocrysts include rounded quartz, plagioclase, sanidine (Or_{48}), and anorthoclase (Or_{26}). Lithic fragments include siltstone clasts up to 5 mm long and rounded fragments of welded tuff.

MODE	Volume Percent
Phase	
Matrix ^{a,b} and shards	64.3
Pumice, including vug lining ^c	17.7
Phenocrysts	
Sanidine and anorthoclase	8.0
Plagioclase	5.0
Lithic fragments	
Siltstone	4.0
Welded tuff	1.0
Total	100.0

ANALYSES	a	b	c
Oxide	(2)	(3)	(5)
SiO_2	68.91(0.12)	59.18(0.83)	66.62(0.09)
Al_2O_3	10.56(0.45)	9.45(0.48)	11.69(0.06)
FeO	0.01(0.01)	0.33(0.06)	0.03(0.04)
MgO	0.11(0.15)	0.05(0.02)	0.63(0.03)
BaO	0.03(0.02)	0.00(0.00)	0.04(0.02)
CaO	3.07(0.26)	1.34(0.05)	3.86(0.05)
Na_2O	1.05(0.01)	0.87(0.09)	0.26(0.03)
K_2O	0.89(0.13)	4.98(0.93)	1.07(0.17)
Total	84.63	76.20	84.20
Si/Al	5.54	5.31	4.84
Clin	Clin	Clin	Clin

YM-48 (644.2): Altered slightly welded vitric tuff. This slightly altered tuff consists of 1-4 mm long pumice pyroclasts in a matrix of 10 μ m-0.6 mm long shards and finely crystalline (<1-8 μ m diam) colorless cementing phases. Pyroclast interiors are still glassy; rims and vesicle walls are altered to a colorless, 3-5 μ m long fibrous phase which grows perpendicular to these boundaries.

Numerous phenocrysts include plagioclase (An_8), sanidine (Or_{53}), rounded quartz, orthopyroxene, biotite, and magnetite. Randomly oriented 15-20 μ m wide fractures are occasionally filled with a zeolite.

MODE

Phase	Volume Percent
Matrix ^a	39.1
Shards ^d	26.9
Pumice ^b	24.2
Phenocrysts	
Plagioclase	4.2
Sanidine	3.4
Opagues	0.4
Pyroxene	tr
Biotite	tr
Quartz	tr
Lithic fragments	1.4
Fracture filling ^c	0.4
Total	100.0

ANALYSES

Oxide	a (3)	b (2)	c (2)	d (6)
SiO ₂	78.14(0.83)	75.14(0.72)	69.24(1.93)	76.54(0.59)
Al ₂ O ₃	12.48(0.46)	11.40(0.06)	11.16(0.18)	11.55(0.11)
FeO	0.60(0.05)	0.29(0.05)	0.26(0.04)	0.39(0.08)
MgO	0.03(0.03)	0.00(0.00)	0.43(0.04)	0.00(0.00)
BaO	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.04)	0.00(0.04)	0.00(0.10)
CaO	1.06(0.54)	0.87(0.10)	2.84(0.09)	0.23(0.04)
Na ₂ O	2.50(0.89)	3.11(0.16)	0.63(0.09)	2.31(0.06)
K ₂ O	4.49(0.54)	4.59(0.22)	0.84(0.10)	4.02(0.29)
Total	99.29	95.40	85.40	95.04
Qz	42.68	37.22		48.77
Or	28.04	29.03		26.66
Ab	23.73	29.90		23.28
An	5.56	3.84		1.28
Si/Al			5.26	
	Qz+KAF	'Glass'	Qln	'Glass'

YM-49 (676.8): Altered nonwelded vitric tuff. This rock is similar in many respects to YM-48, but the alteration is more advanced. Pyroclasts are completely altered to a colorless, 10-15 μm long fibrous phase. In contrast to YM-48, where most pyroclast voids were vesicles, portions of some clasts in YM-49 have been dissolved to form vugs. These solution vugs and vesicles are lined or filled with colorless, euhedral tabular, 15-25 μm long (clinoptilolite crystals).

Plagioclase (An_{10}) and sanidine (Or_{55}) are the dominant phenocrysts; quartz, magnetite, and biotite are also present. Glomerocrysts up to 2 mm in diameter also occur. Lithic fragments consist of welded tuff clasts up to 3 mm in diameter.

MODE	Volume Percent
Phase	
Matrix ^a	36.9
Shards	
Walls ^b	23.8
Void lining ^c and filling ^d	3.5
Pumice	22.0
Phenocrysts	
Plagioclase	3.5
Sanidine	3.0
Quartz	0.6
Biotite	tr
Opagues	0.5
Lithic fragments	3.4
Voids	2.8
Total	100.0

ANALYSES	a	b	c	d
Oxide	(6)	(3)	(6)	(5)
SiO_2	69.67(0.13)	64.99(1.20)	62.61(0.71)	66.21(0.30)
Al_2O_3	10.36(0.46)	11.36(0.60)	11.13(0.37)	10.92(0.57)
FeO	0.76(0.11)	0.01(0.02)	0.00(0.02)	0.00(0.00)
MgO	0.25(0.02)	0.60(0.04)	0.45(0.04)	0.24(0.08)
BaO	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.02)	0.00(0.00)
CaO	2.03(0.34)	3.72(0.04)	3.55(0.42)	3.24(0.51)
Na_2O	0.93(0.06)	0.76(0.05)	0.33(0.16)	0.49(0.11)
K_2O	3.39(0.08)	1.40(0.04)	1.10(0.11)	0.99(0.17)
Total	87.39	82.84	79.17	82.09
Si/Al	5.71	4.85	4.77	5.14
	Clin	Clin	Clin	Clin

YM-50 (702.4): Altered nonwelded vitric-crystal tuff. This rock is similar texturally and mineralogically to YM-49. Major differences are: 1) lithic fragments are all slightly elongate to rounded siltstone clasts, occasionally stained with hematite; 2) relict shards are larger, having been broken from larger, having been broken from larger vesicles; and 3) oxidized amphibole is the mafic phenocryst rather than biotite.

MODE

Phase	Volume Percent
Matrix ^{a,b}	38.0
Coarse shards ^c , including coarse crystalline phases ^d	29.0
Pumice ^e	18.0
Phenocrysts	
Sanidine	4.0
Plagioclase	3.7
Quartz	1.7
Lithic fragments	
Siltstone	2.0
Welded tuff	3.0
Hematite replacing amphibole	0.7
Total	100.1

ANALYSES

Oxide	a (1)	b (1)	c (2)	d (2)	e (2)
SiO ₂	68.80	75.98	66.47(0.26)	76.31(14.74)	63.72(0.42)
Al ₂ O ₃	7.67	8.97	11.93(0.21)	12.04(0.37)	17.13(0.02)
FeO	0.40	0.46	0.01(0.02)	0.00(0.00)	0.68(0.09)
MgO	0.00	0.01	0.13(0.01)	0.11(0.06)	0.00(0.00)
BaO	0.12	0.05	0.11(0.06)	0.03(0.01)	0.16(0.04)
CaO	0.68	1.10	3.93(0.04)	4.21(0.09)	0.14(0.02)
Na ₂ O	0.43	0.52	0.83(0.12)	0.45(0.13)	2.81(0.04)
K ₂ O	10.59	12.39	1.56(0.14)	1.38(0.08)	11.09(0.44)
Total	88.70	99.49	84.97	94.53	95.73

Qz		42.80		62.33	3.83
Or		57.20		9.27	68.69
Ab		0.00		4.59	26.45
An		0.00		23.81	1.03
Si/Al	7.61				
	Mont	Qz+KAF	Mix	Clin+Qz	KAF

YM-51 (710.6): Altered non-welded vitric-crystal tuff. This rock is similar texturally and mineralogically to YM-49 and YM-50. Differences are: 1) fewer phenocrysts, 2) fewer pumices, 3) fewer lithics, and 4) biotite is a phenocryst.

MODE

Phase	Volume Percent
Matrix ^a	60.0
Shards ^b	29.3
Pumice ^c	2.7
Phenocrysts	
Plagioclase	4.0
Alkali feldspar	1.7
Quartz	0.3
Lithic fragments	
Siltstone	1.3
Welded tuff	0.7
Total	100.0

ANALYSES

Oxide	a (2)	b (5)	c (2)
SiO ₂	65.20(3.66)	65.91(1.56)	67.11(0.26)
Al ₂ O ₃	10.79(0.93)	11.48(0.29)	11.31(0.04)
FeO	1.89(0.71)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.02)
MgO	0.53(0.08)	0.28(0.21)	0.08(0.04)
BaO	0.07(0.10)	0.08(0.10)	0.15(0.00)
CaO	1.91(0.25)	3.41(0.40)	3.37(0.13)
Na ₂ O	0.77(0.06)	0.98(0.13)	0.98(0.07)
K ₂ O	1.93(0.35)	0.60(0.21)	0.35(0.02)
Total	81.18	82.74	83.36
Si/Al	5.13	4.87	5.03
	Clin	Clin	Clin

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YM-52 (719.8): Devitrified welded vitric-crystal tuff. This rock is nearly identical to YM-54 both texturally and mineralogically with the exception of fewer phenocrysts (plagioclase (An₁₆), quartz, biotite, and magnetite).

MODE	
Phase	Volume Percent
Matrix	
Fine crystalline	38.3
Medium crystalline ^{a,b}	30.7
Pumice	
Coarse crystalline	5.2
Fibrous/spherulitic	11.3
Phenocrysts	
Alkali feldspar	7.7
Plagioclase	4.0
Quartz	0.3
Biotite	tr
Opakes	tr
Voids	2.4
Total	100.0

ANALYSES	a	b
Oxide	(2)	(1)
SiO ₂	64.75	92.98
Al ₂ O ₃	16.97	3.87
FeO	0.09	0.00
MgO	0.00	0.00
BaO	0.08	0.00
CaO 0.25	0.03	
Na ₂ O	3.59	0.54
K ₂ O	10.50	1.89
Total	96.23	99.31

Qz	4.03	
Or	64.25	
Ab	31.72	
An	0.00	
	KAF	Qz

YM-53 (737.5): Devitrified welded vitric-crystal tuff. All phases are identical to those in YM-54. Differences are 1) fewer phenocrysts, and 2) finer-grained crystalline mosaics.

MODE	
Phase	Volume Percent
Matrix ^a	
Fine crystalline	31.9
Medium crystalline	42.4
Pumice	
Coarse crystalline ^{b,c}	3.0
Fibrous/spherulitic	4.3
Phenocrysts	
Alkali feldspar	9.5
Plagioclase	5.9
Quartz	1.6
Biotite	tr
Opagues	tr
Voids	1.4
Total	100.0

ANALYSES	a	b	c
Oxide	(2)	(6)	(2)
SiO ₂	52.09(2.34)	94.27(1.37)	65.20(0.28)
Al ₂ O ₃	12.66(1.34)	0.95(0.64)	17.78(1.21)
FeO	1.27(0.20)	0.03(0.03)	0.07(0.01)
MgO	0.02(0.03)	0.00(0.00)	0.00(0.00)
BaO	0.03(0.01)	0.12(0.08)	0.53(0.54)
CaO	0.32(0.24)	0.01(0.01)	0.19(0.11)
Na ₂ O	4.27(1.39)	0.23(0.14)	4.17(2.31)
K ₂ O	4.35(1.85)	0.12(0.11)	9.58(3.03)
Total	75.01	95.73	97.52

Qz			3.27
Or			57.30
Ab			37.92
An			1.52
	Mont	Qz	KAF

YM-54 (759.3): Devitrified welded vitric-crystal tuff. In hand specimen this appears to be a welded tuff; however, in thin section no relict pyroclasts have been preserved. There is only a fabric of lenticular zones of coarsely crystalline phases that may have been welded pyroclasts. Most of the rock consists of colorless to tan, 2-20 μm diameter alkali feldspar and quartz crystals. Scattered throughout this 'matrix' are irregular patches of more coarsely crystalline (150-400 μm diameter) alkali feldspar and quartz grains; the larger of these are sometimes roughly rimmed by spherulites.

Phenocrysts include sanidine (Or_{62-64}) and quartz with quartz overgrowths, oxidized biotite, plagioclase, and magnetite. Xenocrysts of mafic phases altered to phlogopite and hematite also occur.

MODE	Volume Percent
Phase	
Matrix ^{a,b}	35.6
Pumice	
Coarse crystalline ^c	36.1
Fibrous/spherulitic	8.8
Phenocrysts	
Sanidine	10.0
Quartz	4.1
Plagioclase	2.3
Biotite	1.2
Opakes	0.2
Phlogopite plus hematite	1.2
Other	0.2
Total	99.9

ANALYSES	a	b	c
Oxide	(4)	(1)	(2)
SiO_2	68.45(1.94)	96.16	66.32(1.34)
Al_2O_3	18.45(0.74)	0.45	22.61(0.55)
FeO	0.13(0.14)	0.00	0.12(0.02)
MgO	0.13(0.14)	0.00	0.00(0.00)
BaO	0.00(0.00)	0.00	0.00(0.06)
CaO	0.55(0.59)	0.00	3.94(0.86)
Na_2O	4.65(2.45)	0.12	6.89(0.54)
K_2O	8.46(4.38)	0.04	0.99(0.27)
Total	100.69	96.77	100.88

Qz	7.05		12.86
Or	49.18		5.84
Ab	41.09		61.78
An	2.68		19.52
	KAF	Qz	NaAF