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# The Mungana porphyryrelated polymetallic deposit, North Queensland

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#### **LOCATION**



#### **TOPICS**

- History
- Regional geological setting
- Local geology
- Mine geology
- Age dating
- Geochemical associations
- Ore textures

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Mungana - 21 years old



#### **MUNGANA RESOURCES, 2007**

BASE METALS RESOURCE (INDICATED + INFERRED)

1.96 Mt @ 14.3 %Zn, 2.8 %Cu, 2.2 %Pb, 188 g/t Ag, 1.15 g/t Au

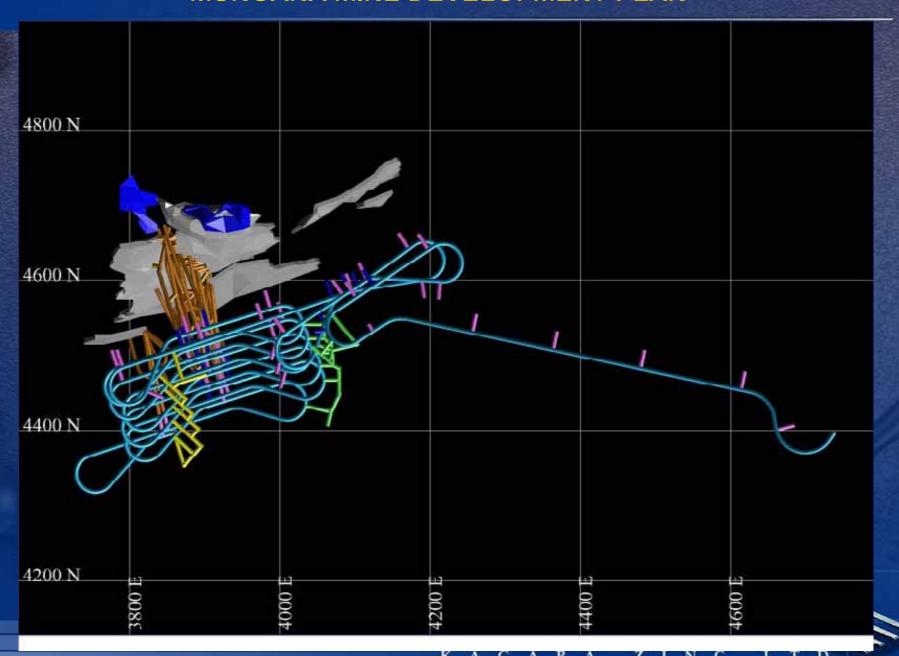
(280,000 t Zn, 55,000 t Cu, 40,000 t Pb, 12 M oz Ag, 70,000 oz Au)

#### **GOLD RESOURCE (INFERRED)**

53.7 Mt @ 1.1 g/t Au, 0.1 %Cu, 0.2 %Zn, 0.1 %Pb, 8 g/t Ag

(2 M oz Au)

#### MUNGANA MINE DEVELOPMENT PLAN



#### MASSIVE SPHALERITE/CHALCOPYRITE IN SANDSTONE



700.7-724.7m:- 24m @ 6.1 %Cu, 13.4 %Zn, 510 g/t Ag, 1.3 g/tAu

#### MASSIVE SPHALERITE/CHALCOPYRITE IN LIMESTONE



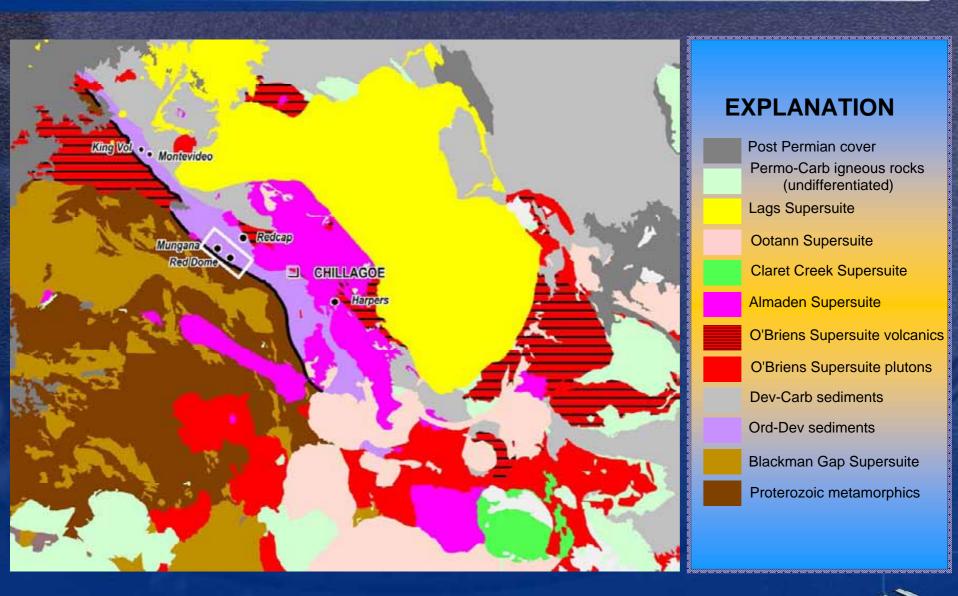
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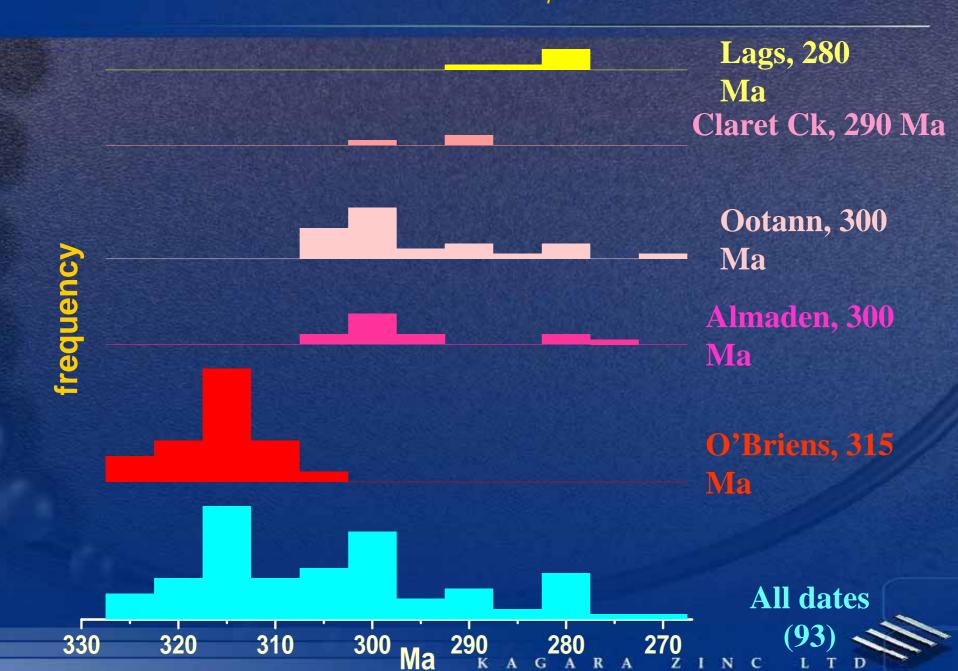


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#### **GEOLOGICAL UNITS IN THE CHILLAGOE AREA**



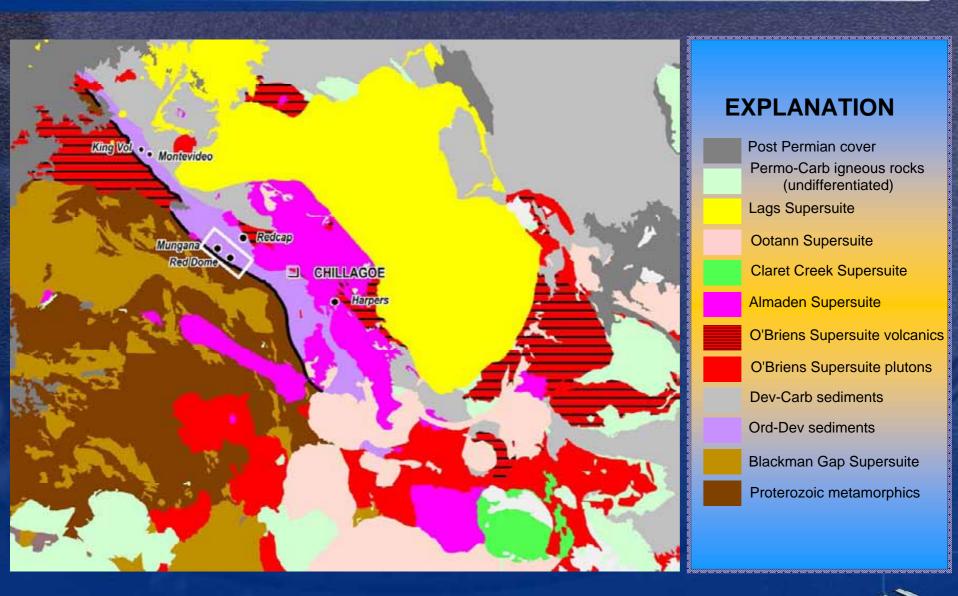
#### PUBLISHED SUPERSUITE AGE DATES, ATHERTON 250K SHEET



#### PERMO-CARBONIFEROUS SUPERSUITES, CHILLAGOE AREA

- O'Briens Creek Supersuite (315 Ma) felsic I type, reduced, highly fractionated - typically Sn; also W,Cu,Au,Ag,Pb,Zn,Bi, As,Sb
- Almaden Supersuite (300 Ma) felsic to andesitic I type, oxidised, unfractionated - typically Cu,Pb,Zn,Ag,As
- Ootann Supersuite (300 Ma) felsic I type, mostly reduced, highly fractionated - typically W,Mo,Bi
- Claret Creek Complex (290 Ma) felsic to andesitic I type, oxidised, unfractionated
- Lags Supersuite (280 Ma) felsic A type, reduced and oxidised, unfractionated; minor U,F,Au

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### METAL DEPOSIT TYPES BY COMMODITY IN THE CHILLAGOE DISTRICT

Many polymetallic deposits (telescoped) that fall into 3 broad groups -

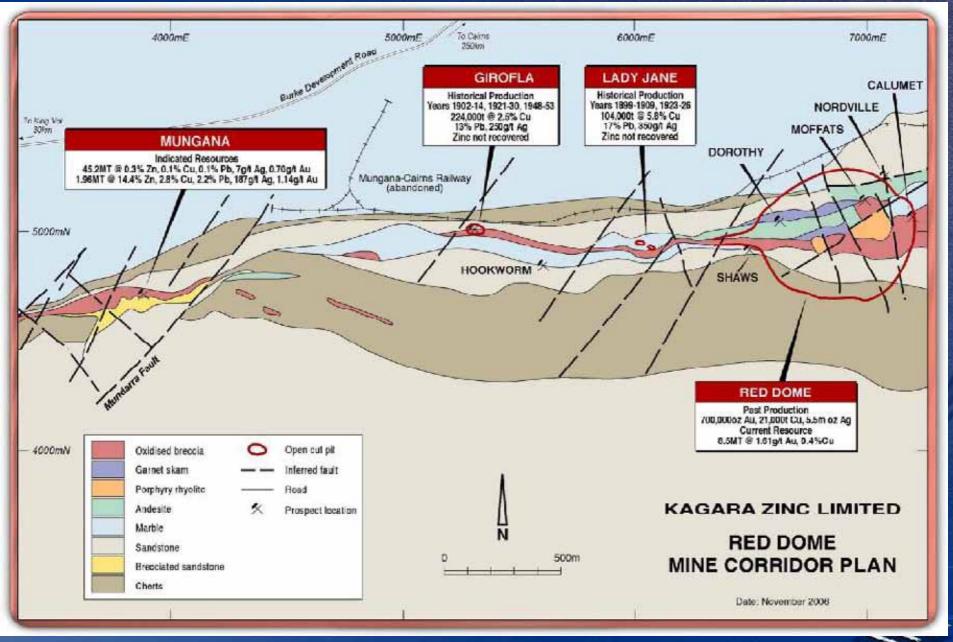
• high grade base metals only (Zn-Cu-Pb-Ag), no gold Examples:- Girofla, Lady Jane, King Vol, Redcap group

gold-copper, with high-grade base metals (Zn-Pb-Ag)
 Examples:- Mungana, Harpers

gold-copper only, little or no base metals

Examples:- Red Dome

#### GEOLOGY, RED DOME - MUNGANA MINE CORRIDOR



#### **PORPHYRY WITH QV & UST**



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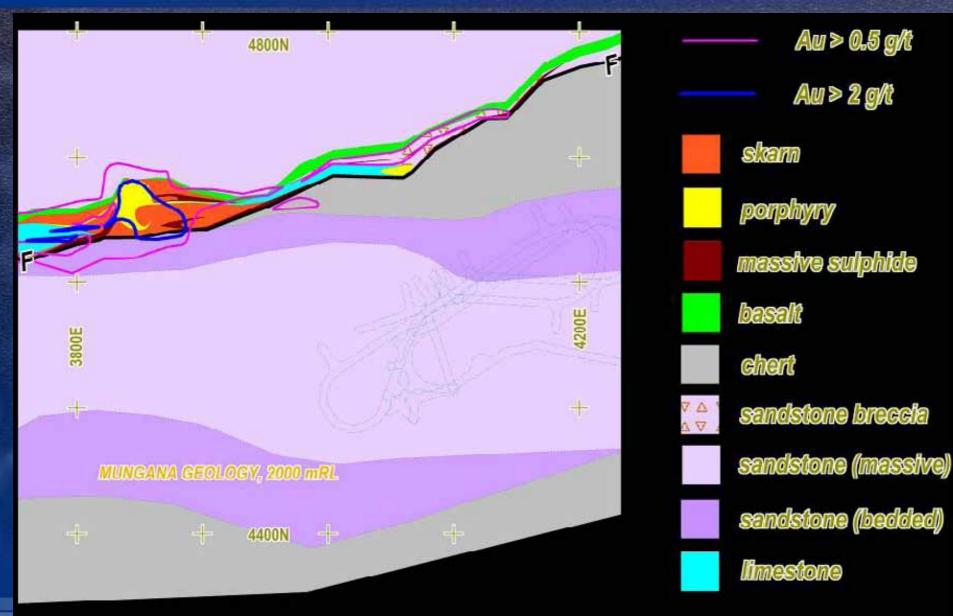
#### PORPHYRY WITH QUARTZ STOCKWORK



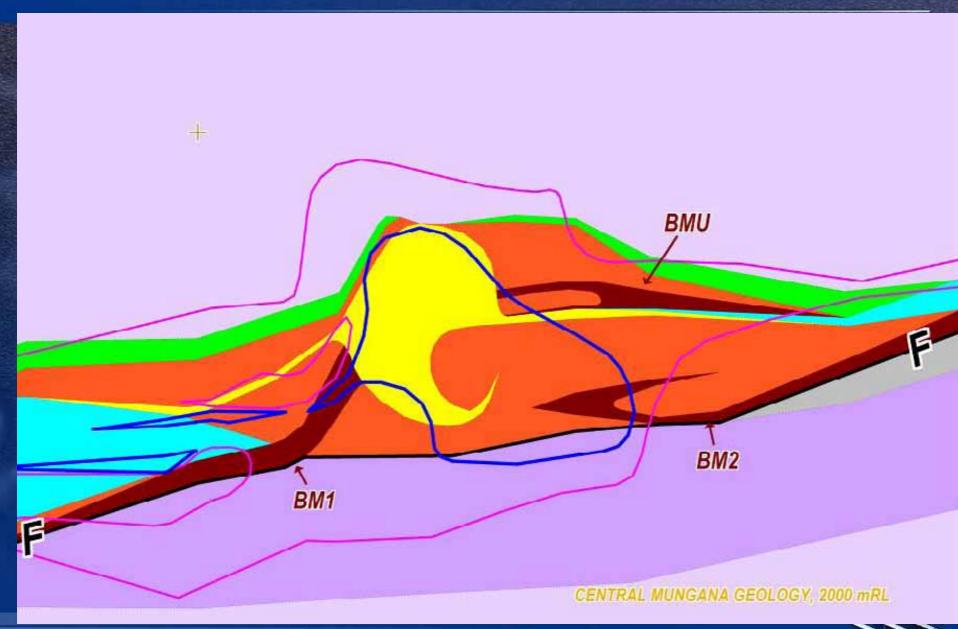
#### ?QV / ?SIL PORPHYRY – 15 g/t Au



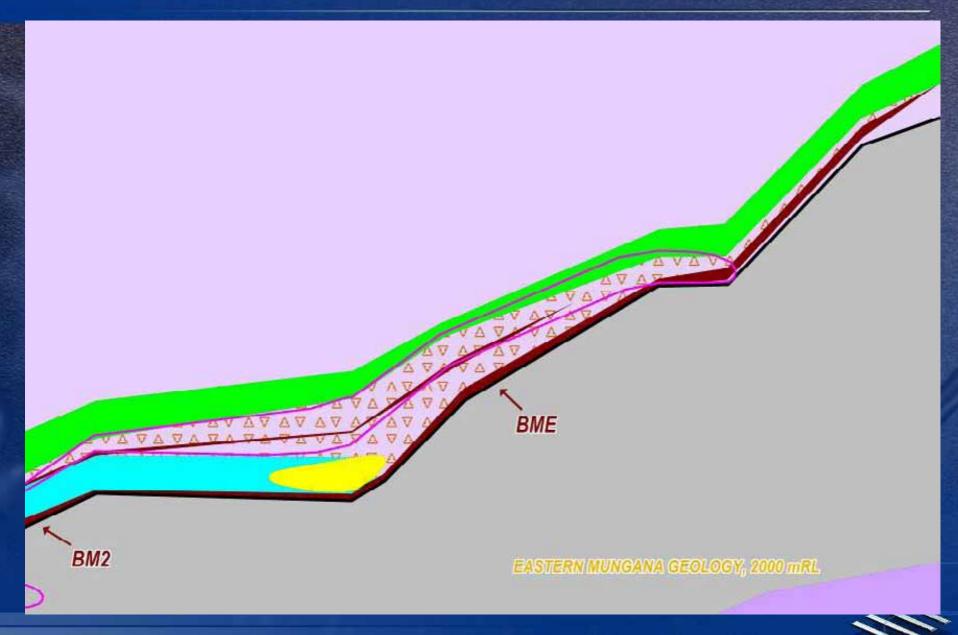
#### MUNGANA GEOLOGY, 2000 mRL

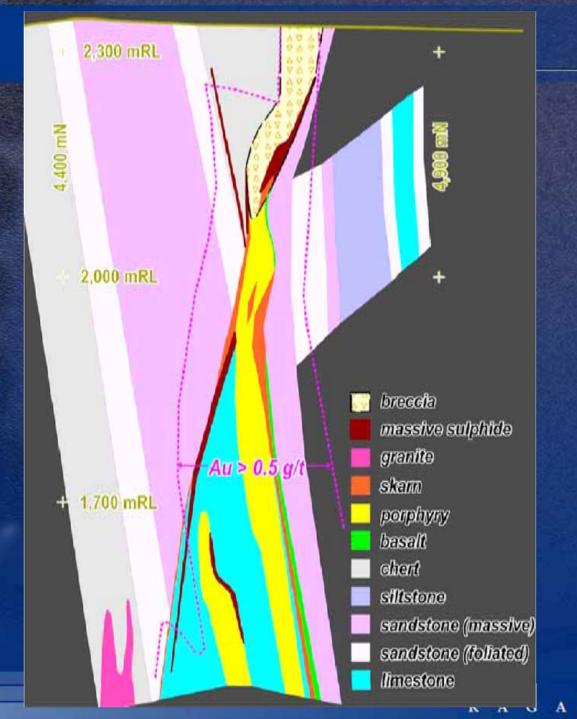


#### CENTRAL MUNGANA GEOLOGY, 2000 mRL



#### EASTERN MUNGANA GEOLOGY, 2000 mRL





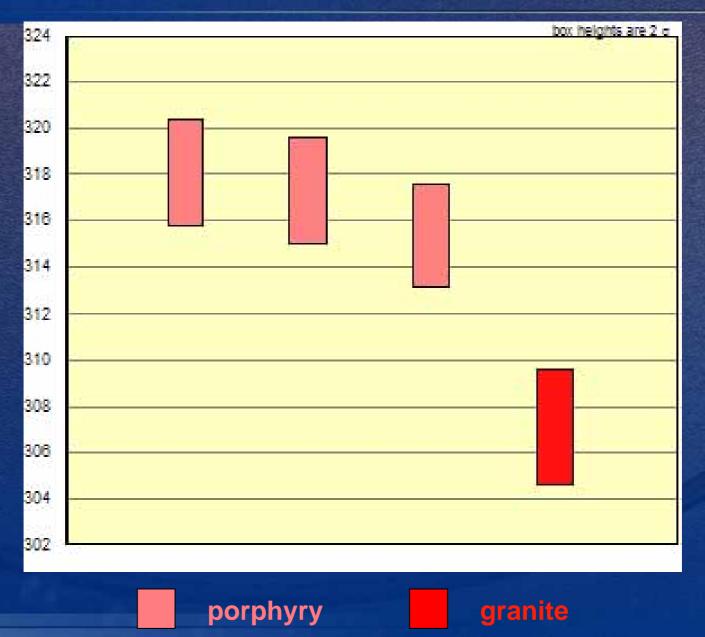
#### MUNGANA 3850E XSECTION



#### **MUNGANA GRANITE**



#### ZIRCON SHRIMP AGE DATES, MUNGANA INTRUSIONS



#### **GEOCHEMICAL ASSOCIATIONS**

High-grade base metals

- typically high Zn, Cu, Pb, Ag, As
- strongly anomalous Sn +- W
- Gold typically Au, Bi
  - Ag, Cu

NOTE:- Mo, Sb moderately elevated, unknown status

#### ZONED GARNET IN WOLLASTONITE



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#### MASSIVE SPHALERITE INTERSTITIAL TO GARNETS IN SKARN



# SKARN BRECCIA WITH HONEY SPHALERITE MATRIX



#### MASSIVE SPHALERITE IN SIDERITE



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#### MOLYBDENITE IN GARNET-WOLLASTONITE-QUARTZ SKARN

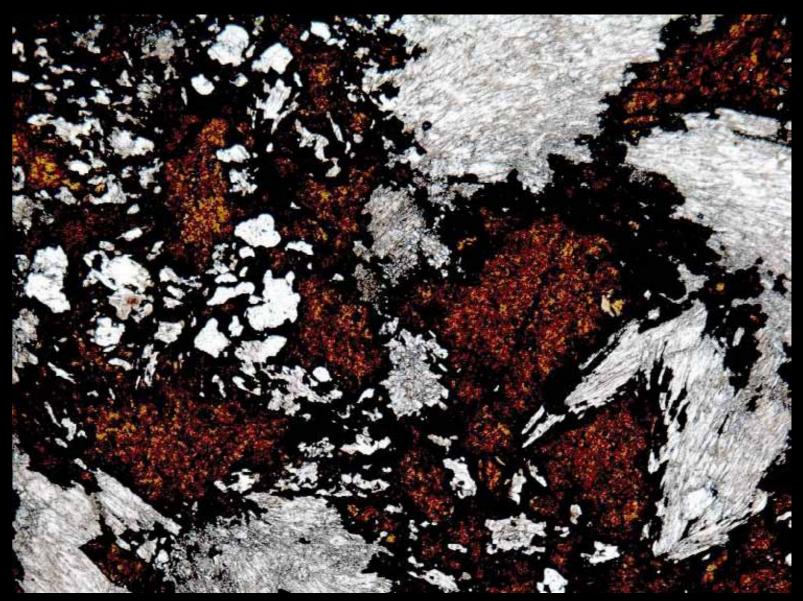


#### **ZONED GARNET WITH SPHALERITE INCLUSIONS**



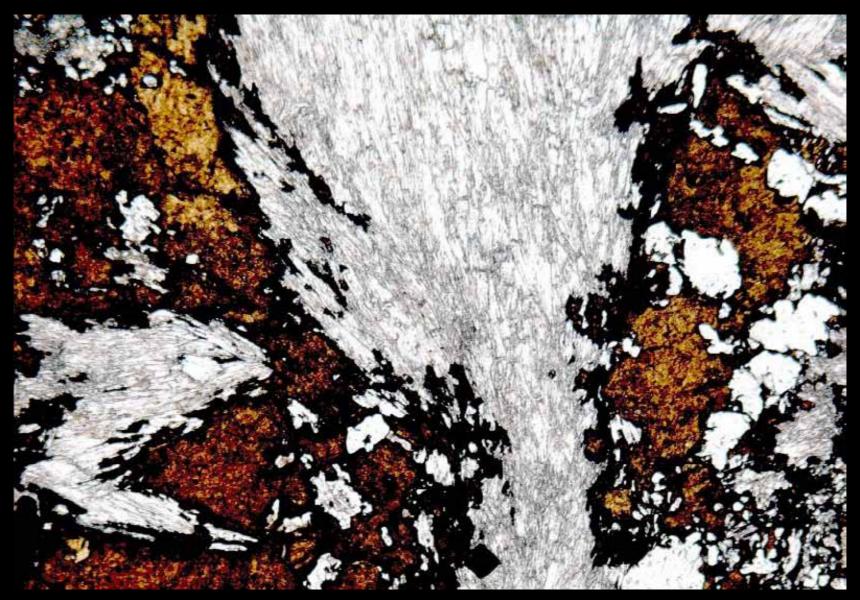
Plane polarised light; Length of image = 5.6 mm; matrix mostly retrograded to calcite

#### SPHALERITE INTERGROWN WITH WOLLASTONITE



Plane polarised light; Length of image = 5.6 mm; sphalerite with px inclusions (clear) co-existing with un-retrograded fibrous wollastonite

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Plane polarised light, close-up of previous; sphalerite with px inclusions (clear) coexisting with un-retrograded fibrous wollastonite

## ZONED GARNET & INTERGROWN WOLLASTONITE / SPHALERITE & CALCITE



1/2 NQ2 core

Top half of photo (mottled lt gy) => marble
Bottom half => garnet (yw) + intergrown wollastonite / sphalerite

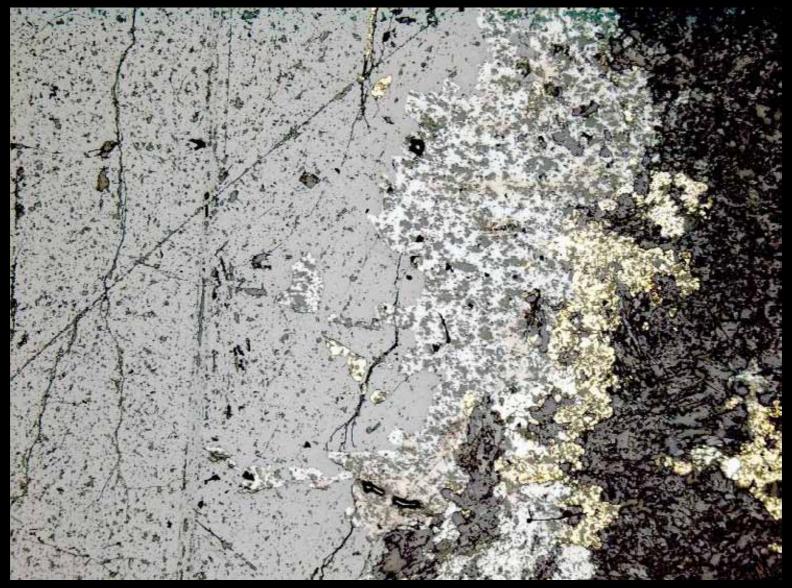
#### **GARNET IN PYROXENE / SPHALERITE MATRIX**



½ NQ2 core

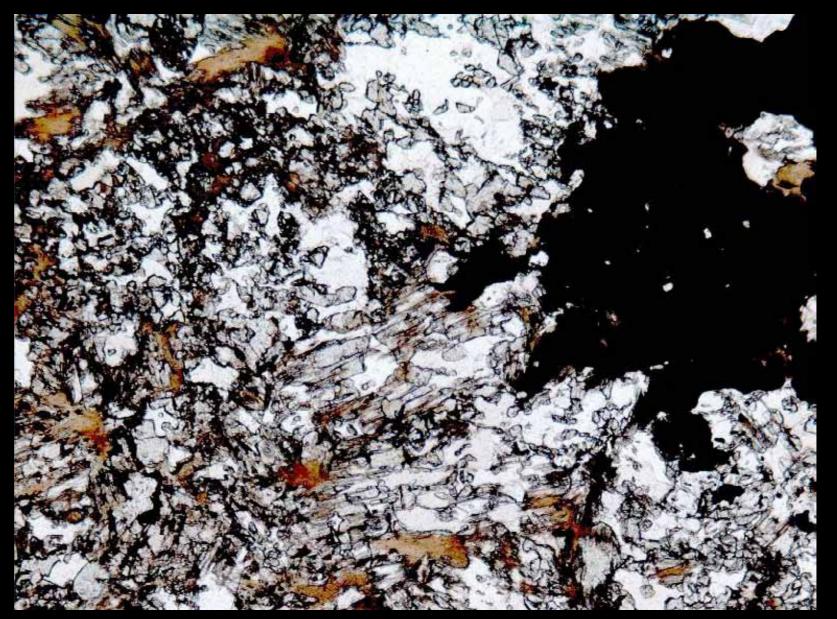
Garnet + clinopyroxene on left, garnet in sphalerite-rich matrix on right

#### ZONED GARNET RIMMED BY SPHALERITE/CHALCOPYRITE



Reflected light, length of photo = 5.6 mm; left to right = garnet (med gy) => sphalerite (It gy) => chalcopyrite (yw) => retrograded matrix (dk gy); note sp-cp inclusions in gt

#### SPHALERITE/CHALCOPYRITE IN QUARTZ-CALCITE-ACTINOLITE MATRIX



Plane polarised light; length of photo = 2.8mm; chalcopyrite / sphalerite (bk), matrix is retrograded qtz + calcite + actinolite (brown)

#### **CONCLUSIONS - KEY POINTS**

- high grade base metals developed at fairly high temperatures at an early retrograde skarn phase
- porphyry emplacement followed
- base metal mineralization can be assigned to the "O'Briens Creek" Supersuite event
- Au not so certain, second retrograde event = syn O'Briens porphyry? or post?
- later development of the near-surface breccia cone probably just re-distributed metals, as concluded by previous workers
- preliminary fluid inclusion studies => coexistence of hightemperature vapour-rich and sulphide-rich inclusions

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Thank you

