

**LEGEND**

**DEVONO-CARBONIFEROUS**

**DCim** LEUCOMONZOGRAHITE - light grey to buff, fine- to medium-grained, equigranular to slightly porphyritic, 4-8% xenoliths, 1-4% cordierite, devoid of xenoliths.

**DCmgDL** DAVIS LAKE MONZOGRAHITE - whitish-grey locally with mottled blue-grey/whitish colour, medium- to coarse-grained, very megacrystic (20-40%) with megacrysts up to 12 cm in length, common rapakivi texture, 2-10% biotite, trace-2% muscovite, 1-3% cordierite, rare xenoliths.

**DCmgKJ** KEJMIKJIK MONZOGRAHITE - medium grey, fine- to coarse-grained, megacrystic (approximately 10%) with abundant uniformized alkali feldspar megacrysts (1 x 2-2.5 cm), 12-18% biotite, trace-1% muscovite, xenoliths are common.

**DCmgSG** SCRAG LAKE MONZOGRAHITE - light to medium grey, medium- to coarse-grained, megacrystic (approximately 10%) with abundant uniformized alkali feldspar megacrysts (1 x 2-2.5 cm), 12-18% biotite, trace-1% muscovite, may contain garnet and/or cordierite, common to abundant megacrystic (7) xenoliths (5 cm-1 m).

**DCmgSC** SCRAG LAKE GRANDIOHITE - very similar to DCmgSG except in granulite facies composition. Biotite content generally higher than in DCmgSG (10-22%).

**ORDOVICIAN-DEVONIAN**

**ODM** MAFIC INTRUSIONS - area containing abundant boulders of gabbro, monzonite and quartz gabbro; age uncertain.

**ODWK** WHITE ROCK and KENTVILLE FORMATIONS (undivided) - quartzite, siltstone, calcareous shale (fossiliferous), rhyolite, basalt, andesite.

**CAMBRO-ORDOVICIAN**

**MEGMA GROUP**

**COH** HALIFAX FORMATION - siltstone and slate.

**COG** GOLDENVILLE FORMATION - metagreywacke and minor slate.

**\*From visual modal estimates and point counting stained rock slabs (500-600 points)**

**SYMBOLS**  
(not all symbols occur on map)

Rock outcrop, area of outcrop, probable outcrop, float.

Geological boundary (defined, approximate, inferred, defined by till clasts, defined by airborne spectrometry), geological boundary-gradational.

Exposed intrusive contact (arrow pointing toward younger unit, age relation not determined).

Unconformity (hatching on younger side).

Limit of mineralogical or textural variation.

Bedding (horizontal, inclined, vertical, overturned, dip unknown, younger direction unknown).

Anticline (defined, approximate).

Syncline (defined, approximate).

Preferred orientation of feldspar megacrysts (horizontal, inclined, vertical, dip unknown).

Schistosity, schistosity, cleavage, foliation (horizontal, inclined, vertical, dip unknown).

Breccia.

Schlieren banding (horizontal, inclined, vertical, dip unknown) poorly developed isolated bands and well developed (thin and heavy lines respectively).

Lineament (from air photos).

Fault (defined, approximate, assumed, inclined, vertical).

Fault (sinistral, dextral).

Shearing and intense fracturing, fracture cleavage (horizontal, inclined, vertical, dip unknown).

Joint (horizontal, inclined, vertical, dip unknown).

Dyke or vein: ALB-alkalite, APPG-apatite with minor pegmatite, DMS-dibasic, DVA-when LUGR, when LUGR; LUMZ-leucomonzonite, LUCO-leucoporphyr, MAP-nica apatite, PGP-pegmatite with minor apatite, PGM-pegmatite, PGMZ-zoned pegmatite, POP-porphyr, OTZ-quartz (indicated if mineralized), all unmineralized dykes are apatite, 1 m-thick lines, 1 m-thick lines (inclined, vertical, dip unknown).

Stockwork (type indicated).

Sheeted complex (type indicated).

Area of abundant dyking (type or map unit indicated).

Green: 1 m, 1 m (indicated if mineralized).

Megacryst-rich areas.

Xenoliths (1 m, 10 m, concentration of xenoliths) map unit indicated when known.

Diamond-drill hole/reference number from N. S. D. M. E. Open File Report.

Trench, adit, shaft.

Mineral occurrence (commodities indicated at top number on bottom refers to marginal notes or N. S. D. M. E. mineral occurrence cards).

Mine or Prospect.

Quarry.

Abbreviation: ALB-alkalite, CHL-chloritization, DES-desulfidation, HAA-high alumina, HEM-hematization, KAO-kalinization, LHM-limonization, POT-potassic (which include bitolization and K-feldspathization), SIL-silicification, SAU-sulfurization, intense and pervasive in coptro, slight to moderate in lower coptro, HEM\_hem.

**LIST OF COMMON MINERAL ABBREVIATIONS**

ad-andalusite, am-amethyst, ap-apatite, as-aragonite, at-austinite, bo-bornite, ca-calcite, cr-chalcopyrite, ks-kassiterite, cp-chalcopyrite, ch-chlorite, cd-cordierite, cy-chrysoberyll, fl-fluorite, gp-galenite, gr-garnet, he-hematite, il-ilmenite, ka-kalinite, mal-malachite, mn-manganese mineral, mo-molybdenite, mu-muscovite, pp-porphyr, py-pyrite, sh-scheelite, sl-sillarsite, sp-sphalerite, se-sericite, tp-tourmaline, ur-uranium, wo-wolframite.

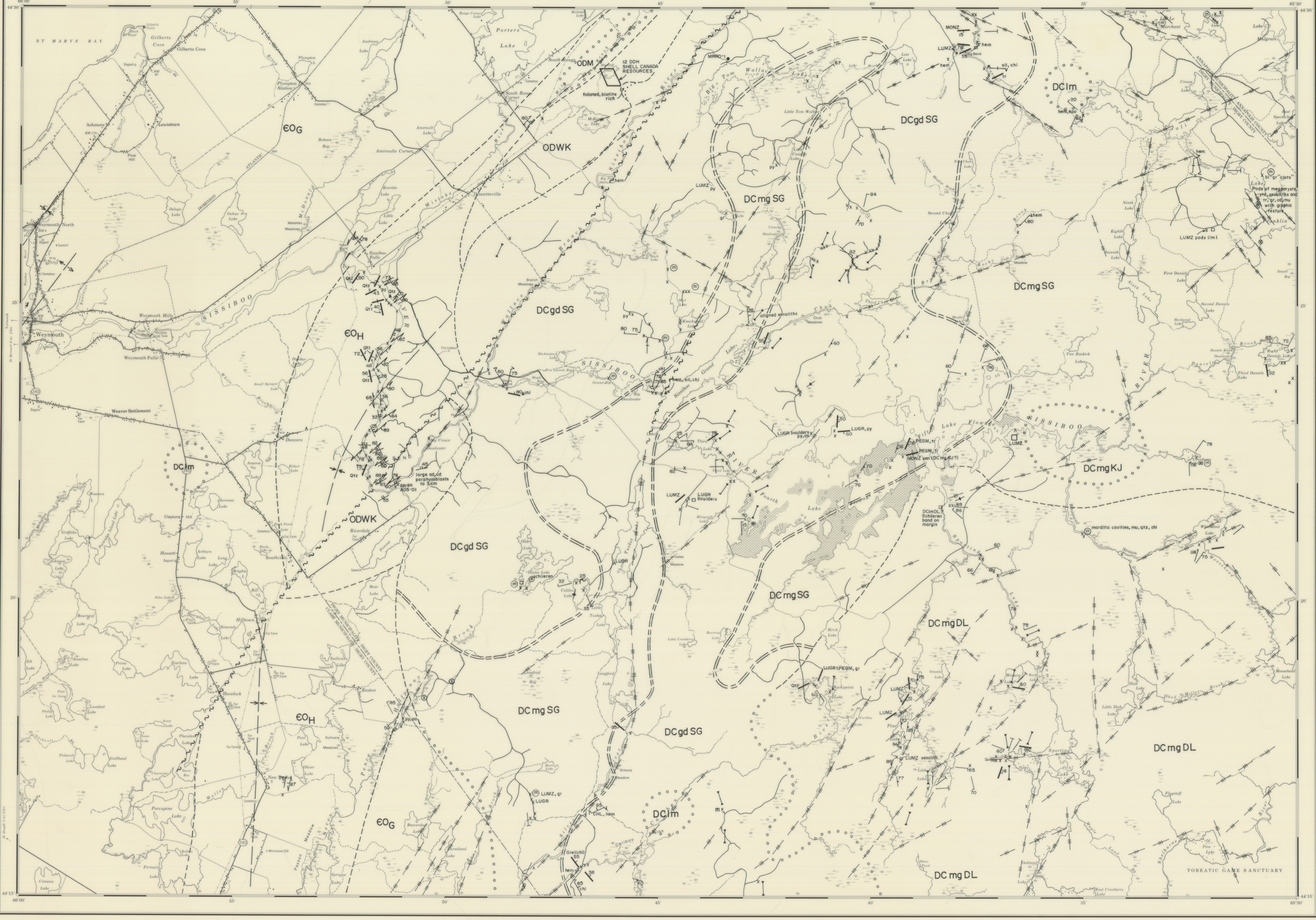


Figure 1. Contoured density plot of 180 poles to joint surfaces within the SMB.

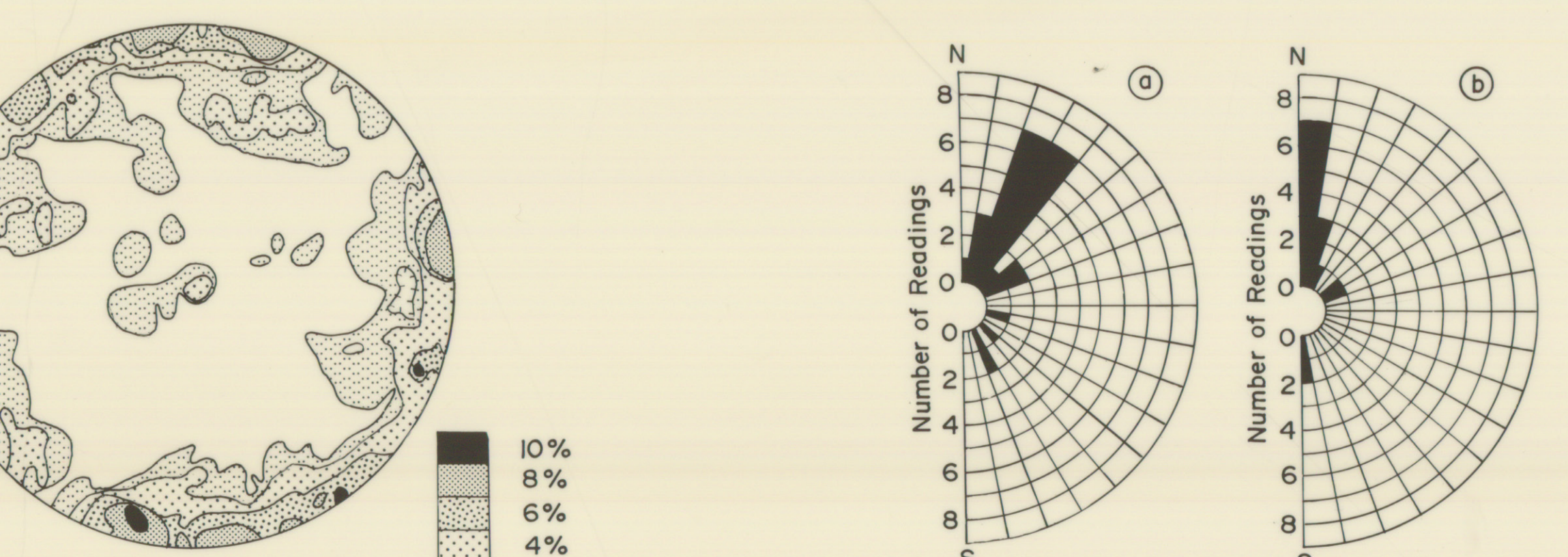
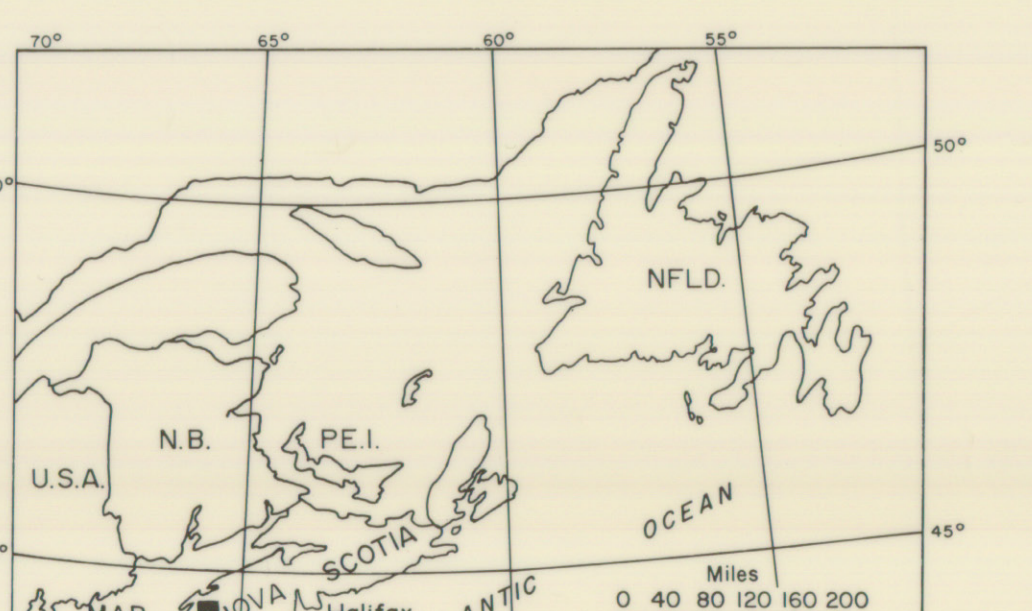
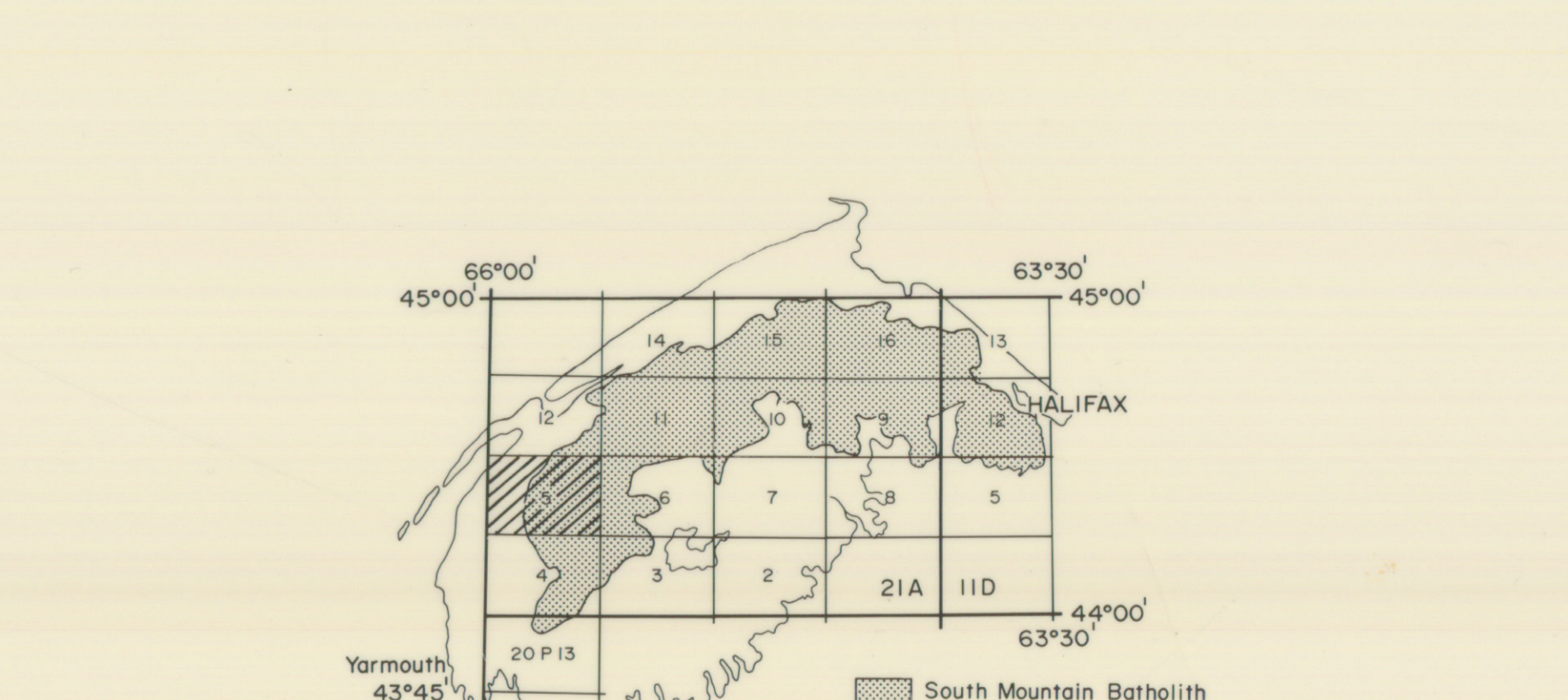


Figure 2. Rose diagrams for megacryst alignments (in 10° azimuth intervals) for a) DCmgSG (N=7) and b) DCmgDL (N=15).



**INTRODUCTION**

Geological mapping focused on the Devonian-Carboniferous granitoid rocks of the South Mountain Batholith (SMB). The surrounding country rocks received cursory inspection with the exception of a well exposed section of metasedimentary and metavolcanic rocks near the upper Sissiboo River near "The Bend", that was mapped in detail.

Cambro-Ordovician country rocks of the Meguma Group comprise metagreywackes and minor slates of the Goldenville Formation (COG) and siltstones and shales of the Halifax Formation (COH). Taylor, 1969, Smithbridge, 1973, Ham, 1989, Macdonald and Ham, 1989, however, no ODM rocks were indicated on previous geological maps of 21A/05 (e.g., Taylor, 1969). Detailed mapping by Shell Canada Resources (Dakers, 1982) outlined a northeast-trending area (0.5 x 1.5 km), in the north of Shorttiff Lake, containing abundant diabase and amphibolite (ODM) boulders. This area is indicated on this map. Smithbridge (1973) noted that the silt grades in this area are ODM, except for a small area of ODM on this map is clearly much wider than 250 feet and therefore may reflect a concentration of silt.

Devono-Carboniferous granitoid rocks of the SMB intruded the above rock sequences resulting in the development of thermal contact metamorphic aureoles of variable width (Taylor, 1969; Keppie and Macke, 1979). These aureoles are characterized by porphyroblasts of cordierite and biotite (2-5 mm, except for a small area of ODM on this map is clearly much wider than 250 feet and therefore may reflect a concentration of silt).

Geological contacts and descriptions for the non-granitoid lithologies are cited from Taylor (1969), Keppie (1979) and Dakers (1982).

Previous geological mapping of the SMB on this map sheet includes a reconnaissance survey by Taylor (1969) and a detailed boulder survey by Shell Canada Resources in the Shorttiff Lake area (Dakers, 1982). Taylor (1969) identified the rocks as porphyritic (i.e. megacrystic) with biotite as the most abundant mineral and noted the presence of megacrystic xenoliths. Dakers (1982) outlined a foliated, biotite-rich (50-60%) zone of amphibolite in the granitic/metasedimentary contact near Shorttiff Lake. He concluded that the foliation is a result of anisimilium measurement. This foliated contact zone was not confirmed during this study. However, the geological boundaries of the non-granitoid rocks have been adopted from Dakers (1982).

**DESCRIPTION OF UNITS**  
(listed in increasing mafic content)

**Leucomonzonite\* (DCim)** - Three small (approx. 1 km<sup>2</sup>) plugs (\*) of fine- to medium-grained, equigranular or slightly porphyritic leucomonzonite were outlined on the basis of till clast composition in locally derived till (Graves and Finch, unpubl. data). These three bodies occur 2 km west of Danvers, near the west end of Lake Joli and along Route 140, near the road to Danvers, may represent front-heaved bedrock. The Davis body is assumed to be intrusive contact with COG, whereas the contact relationships of the other two bodies and their host rocks (DCmgSG and DCmgDL) are unknown. DCim clasts in glacial till were noted near the shore of South Lake Flower, in the Unisack chain of lakes (Graves and Finch, unpubl. data) and also along the western shore of Fourth Lake Flower. These occurrences may reflect abundant dyking of DCim in DCmgSG and DCmgDL.

**Davis Lake Monzonite\* (DCmgDL)** - The DCmgDL is the dominant unit in the southeastern portion of the map sheet and extends southward onto map sheet 21A/03 (Corey and Hore, 1989), southward onto 21A/04 (Ham and Macdonald, 1989) and eastward onto 21A/06 (Hore and Corey, 1989). No geological contacts between DCmgDL and the adjacent Scrag Lake units (DCmgSG and DCmgKJ) are exposed.

Modal proportions of quartz, alkali feldspar and plagioclase (APF) plus predominantly in the monzonite field of Streckeisen (1976), however, a few samples plot in the syenogranite\* field because of their abundance of alkali feldspar megacrysts.

DCmgDL is distinguished from DCmgSG and DCmgKJ by the higher modal amounts of cordierite\* and muscovite\* in the lower modal amounts of biotite\* and the abundance of large alkali feldspar (and minor plagioclase) megacrysts that average 2.5 cm and may attain lengths of 12 cm. Rapakivi textures with plagioclase (also 7) rimming alkali feldspar megacrysts are also common features in the DCmgDL.

The feldspar megacrysts in DCmgDL have some features that are unique within the SMB. Firstly, alkali feldspar megacrysts commonly have a mottled, steel-grey to whitish-grey coloration. Secondly, plagioclase megacrysts are abundant inclusions of quartz, often with graphic texture, or quartz and biotite that may occur along growth planes within individual crystals.

DCmgDL is generally medium- to coarse-grained and megacrystic (20-30%), however, several outcrops (e.g. along White Sand Stream, SE of 5th Lake Flower) are texturally heterogeneous with both medium grained, megacryst-poor, biotite-rich and coarse grained, megacryst-rich textures.

Most outcrops of DCmgDL are devoid of xenoliths, however, a few small (c.1 m in diameter), well-digested, metasedimentary (?) xenoliths were noted near Fifth Lake Flower and on Western Lake A. In fine- to medium grained, equigranular, leucomonzonite xenoliths (20 x 40 cm) was noted along the shore of Little Pine Lake. This xenolith has abundant garnet crystals at its margin.

**Kejmiikjik Monzonite (DCmgKJ)** - Rocks of the DCmgKJ are restricted to a single area (approximately 2 x 3 km) near the east end of Fifth Lake Flower. There are no known outcrops of DCmgKJ in this area but the unit was delineated on the basis of abundant, large (c.1 m) boulders that have a characteristic whitish-grey weathered surface with uniformly-sized, subhedral, alkali feldspar megacrysts (1 x 2-2.5 cm). These features are diagnostic of the DCmgKJ on map sheet 21A/06 (Hore and Corey, 1989). Attempts to further delineate DCmgKJ by using mineralogical criteria in the glacial till were unsuccessful because the major differences between DCmgKJ and DCmgSG/DCmgDL can only be seen in large weathered boulders or large hand specimens (Graves pers. comm.).

**GRANITIC ROCKS**

Preferred alignment of feldspar megacrysts has been observed consistently above in a Kappie joint with the same orientation (Fig. 1). There are three maxima in Figure 1 that correspond to three sets of near-vertical joints with approximate azimuths 085°, 100° and 175°. Hore et al. (1984) describe a conjugate set of near-vertical joints in the eastern SMB that also has three maxima, however, their orientations are mostly 000° to 010° in the DCmgDL. This deviation in megacryst alignment mirrors the change in the regional structural trend from northeast in most of the central and eastern portions of the Meguma Zone to north-northeast and Yarmouth in shows on the geological map of Nova Scotia (Keppie, 1979). These similarities suggest that the same stresses may have contributed to the observed structural features displayed in both the SMB and the Meguma Zone lithologies. The variation in joint trends on this sheet may also be related to these stresses.

**MINERAL OCCURRENCES**

A05-01\* Sissiboo River - A reported quartz dyke (30-50 cm wide) cut metasediments of the White Rock Formation along the Sissiboo River, approximately 300 m east of Provost Brook. This dyke was first prospected for gold mineralization in the early 1940's, however, subsequent attempts to confirm mineralization were unsuccessful (Goodge, 1960). This quartz vein was not located during the present survey.

1) Shorttiff Lake - Anomalous uranium levels (5 ppm) were encountered during a regional soil survey in the Shorttiff Lake area (Dakers, 1980). Airborne radiometric surveys and detailed prospecting (Dakers, 1982) resulted in the discovery of U, Cu and Ag mineralization in veinlet and brecciated boulders of Kenaville (?) Formation. Mineralization included pyrite, chalcocite, chalcophylite, bornite, native copper and specular hematite (Dakers, 1982). On the basis of this work, a program of 12 diamond-drill holes was conducted (Dakers, 1982). Uranium and copper mineralization in "siliceous and calcareous veins and breccia" (as associated hematization) within the Shorttiff Lake area were encountered in several drill holes (Dakers, 1982).

2) PORPHYRY: A rock with predominantly fine grained groundmass and medium- to coarse-grained porphyroblasts (i.e. mineral grain size distribution). Porphyroblasts rarely exceed 2 cm (adj. porphyritic).

3) MEGACRYST: A megacrystic term for a crystal that is significantly larger than the surrounding groundmass. In the South Mountain Batholith megacrysts are predominantly subhedral to euhedral K-feldspar, and plagioclase crystals (generally between 2.5-7 cm in length), in medium- to coarse-grained rocks (adj. megacrystic).

4) LEUCOMONZONITE: A rock of monzonitic composition with 2-6% combined mafic minerals (i.e. biotite, chlorite, cordierite and garnet).

5) GRANDIOHITE - MONZOGRAHITE - SYENOGRAHITE - TONALITE: After Streckeisen (1976).

6) CORDIERITE: Cordierite is extensively altered or pseudomorphed by plagioclase + chlorite +/- muscovite.

7) MUSCOVITE: Percentages of muscovite are from visual modal estimates and point counting of stained slabs. Point counting of thin sections generally yields much higher modal percentages.

\*Nova Scotia Department of Mines and Energy Metallic Mineral Occurrence Card Number.

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**STRUCTURE**

In general, all of the granitoid rocks of the map sheet are massive and display no evidence of pervasive deformation. However, several megascopic structural features were observed.

A major northeast-trending fault extends from the Walker-Sissiboo River area onto map sheet 21A/12 (Ham, 1989). The fault has a pronounced topographic expression and is easily recognizable as an air photo lineament (Finch, unpubl. data) but there is little sign of deformational features in the surrounding country. The presence of this fault explains the apparent displacement of the COG, COH and the regional typical folia within the Ordovician-Devonian units along its trace.

Another northeast-trending fault is exposed near the dam at the west end of Sissiboo Grand Lake. This fault occurs along a major NE-trending air photo lineament that cross-cuts the entire map sheet. Several megascopic intense deformational features (brecciation and shearing) and moderate to intense hydrothermal alteration (hematization, silicification and chloritization). Some outcrops (and large boulders) show evidence of megacrystic (?) deformation such as highly oriented alkali feldspar megacrysts.

Nonlinear orientations of, varying orientations, are shown on the map and are consistent with a series of 120° back and white air photos (Finch, unpubl. data). These lineaments are interpreted as reflecting structural features (shear zones, dominant joint sets, etc.) in either exposed bedrock or bedrock that has a thin glacial till cover (if rock).

Joints in the granitic rocks of the map sheet have distinct orientations as shown in a Kappie joint with the same orientation (Fig. 1). There are three maxima in Figure 1 that correspond to three sets of near-vertical joints with approximate azimuths 085°, 100° and 175°. Hore et al. (1984) describe a conjugate set of near-vertical joints in the eastern SMB that also has three maxima, however, their orientations are mostly 000° to 010° in the DCmgDL. This deviation in megacryst alignment mirrors the change in the regional structural trend from northeast in most of the central and eastern portions of the Meguma Zone to north-northeast and Yarmouth in shows on the geological map of Nova Scotia (Keppie, 1979). These similarities suggest that the same stresses may have contributed to the observed structural features displayed in both the SMB and the Meguma Zone lithologies. The variation in joint trends on this sheet may also be related to these stresses.

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