

Geodynamic Environment and Geochemical Control of Gabbroic Intrusions in Southwest Haut-Katanga in the Kapande Area: (Democratic Republic of Congo)

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ABSTRACT

Continental intraplate volcanism is less expressed compared to other geodynamic frameworks. This volcanism is of obvious geodynamic interest because it is always related to the phenomena of rupture of the continental plates that can lead to the opening of the oceanic domains. The mapping and lithostratigraphy of the Kapande sector led to the development of geological sections that intercept basic intrusions of a gabbroic nature. The intrusive nature of these gabbros has been demonstrated by the existence of two facies, a fine border facies surrounding coarse facies in the heart of the intrusion. The petrographic examination of these rocks proves that they are characterized by a distinctly grainy texture with double-mic basic plagioclase, pyroxenes of monoclinic type, probably augite, opaque minerals and some spherical crystals and quartz observed. in one of the samples. The chemical composition is clearly basic with SiO₂ percentages ranging from 40.55 to 46.10%, those in MgO less than 7% and an Al₂O₃ / (CaO + K₂O + Na₂O) ratio lower than 1. These results, which testify the aluminous nature of these gabbros. The content by weight of Na₂O oxides averaging 3.5% on average, explains the alkaline character of these gabbros and the alkaline series is typical of the intra-continental plates. These findings result from the use of the discriminant diagram (Nb / Zr) vs Zr (Denis Thiéblemont & Monique Tégéy, 1994).

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I. Introduction

Kapande is located in Haut-Katanga in the Southeast of the Democratic Republic of Congo. It represents our study area and is located near the Zambian border 30 km from the city of Kipushi.

Katanguien, all folded formations between 900 and ± 600 Ma and unaffected by folds earlier than 950 Ma, are called folds. They were folded around 950 Ma by the Lomamian orogeny, about 850 Ma by the Lusakian orogeny and around 600 Ma by the Lufilian orogeny. The last orogeny is the most important because it has impressed on the Upper Proterozoic rocks the arc pattern we are currently seeing (Ngoyi & Dejonghe, 1995, Kampunzu & Cailteux, 1999, Kampunzu, et al., 2000, Batumike, et al. 2007, Cailteux et al., 2007). There are two continuous tillites that have been deposited synchronously throughout the basin. The presence of these tillites made it possible to divide the Katangian into three groups. The Roan group, the Nguba group and the Kundelungu group can be distinguished from the bottom up (Table 1: François, (1973) (Cailteux et al., 1994) (Batumike et al., 2007). magmatic rocks found in the Katangian, were mainly established around 600 Ma (Demesmaeker et al, 1963) and are located singularly in the heart of the anticlinal structures, along zones of deep faults, or outcropping in the form of salaries. sporadic little extended.

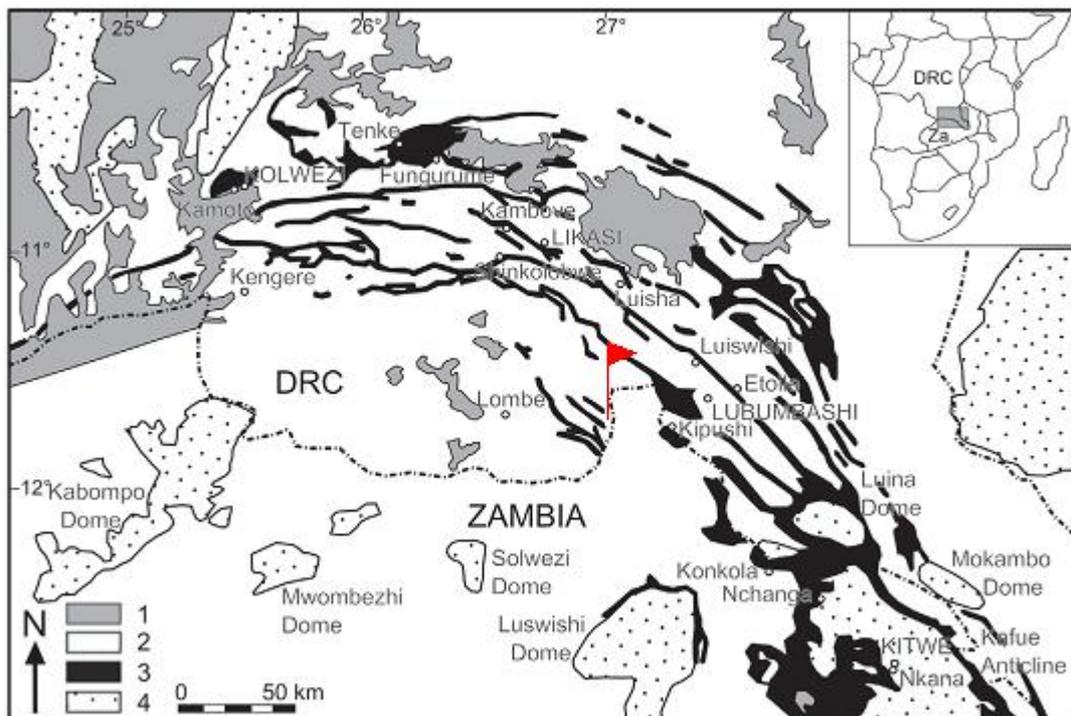


Fig. 1. Geological map of the Copperbelt of Central Africa with the location of important deposits. 1: Post-Katangian Rocks; 2: Mwashya, Nguba and Kundelungu Rocks; 3: Rifts, Breaches and Roan Rocks; 4: Pre-Katangian basement. According to François (1974).

The Copperbelt of Central Africa (Fig1) is one of the largest and richest metallogenic provinces in the world (Cailteux et al., 2005, Hitzman et al., 2005, Selley et al., 2005).

It stretches on the border between the Democratic Republic of Congo and Zambia, and is renowned for its deposits in Cu-Co. These metalliferous deposits are found in the Lufilian Arc (590-530 ma) and are most often the result of a multi-phase mineralization process (Cailteux et al, 2005, Dewaele et al, 2006, El Desouky et al. 2009, Hitzman et al., 2012, Selley et al., 2005).

As for pyroclastites, Lefebvre J. (1985) demonstrates that these volcanic products are syn-sedimentary. This study is part of a global research project on the geochemistry and petrology of gabbroic rocks in the Kapande region of southwestern Kipushi.

The objectives of this study can be summarized in three points:

- The mapping of these basic magmatic intrusions and the definition of the different facies that constitute them;
- The definition of the magmatic affinities of these rocks;
- Characterize and define the geodynamic context of their implementation.

II. Materials And Methodology

Basic geological material served a detailed field survey and laboratory studies were conducted on the samples. In order to carry out a complete field study, 56 samples were taken of which 15 were selected for the manufacture of thin sections in the Department of Geology of the University of Lubumbashi. The petrographic study was carried out using a transmitted light polarization microscope of brand ALLTION model NP-400 M and MOTIC PM-28 SERIES. For the geochemical study, 22 samples were selected and analyzed in major and trace elements. This study focused mainly on geochemical analyzes of magmatic rocks and aimed to determine the rock name according to the CIPW standard (Cross, Iddings, Pearson and Washington) as well as to highlight the generating magmatic series and the context geodynamics of setting up this this gabbroic intrusion. The analyzes were carried out for the major elements such as SiO₂, TiO₂, Al₂O₃, CaO, K₂O, MgO, MnO, Na₂O, P₂O₅, and FeO and trace elements, Co, Cu, Zn, Cr, Ni, V, Rb, Sr, Pb and Zr. All chemical analyzes were then processed through a set of software.

III. Results

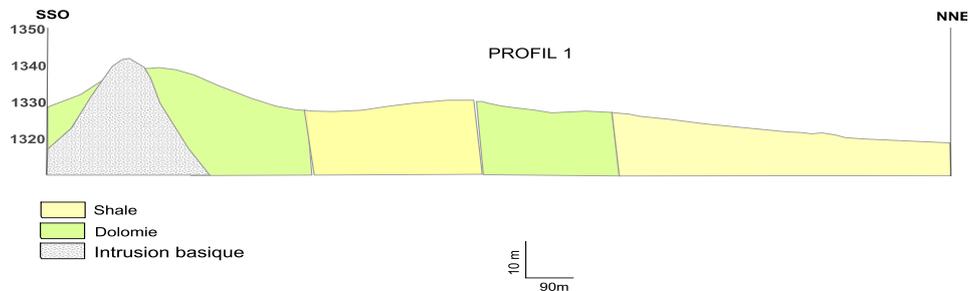
3.1. LITHOSTRATIGRAPHY AND PETROGRAPHY

3.1.1. LITHOSTRATIGRAPHY

Field observations made it possible to place the Kapande rocks in the local geological context.

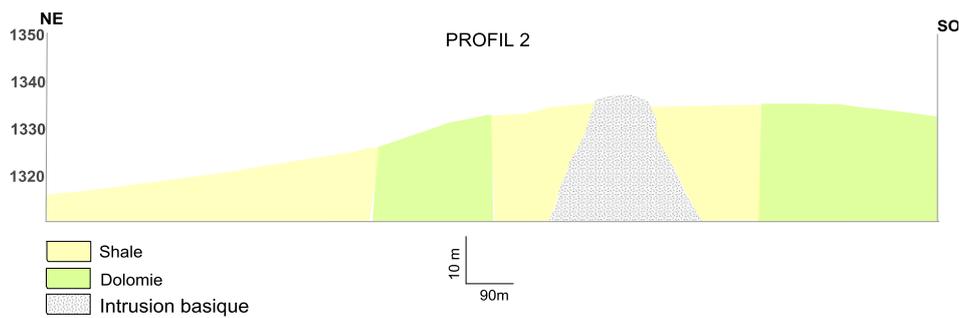
Profile 1

The first SSO - NNE oriented profile shows a gabbroic intrusion towards the south (Kibe - Kibe massif), hosted in dolomitic rocks. With the exception of this intrusive Kibe - Kibe massif, this profile highlights two alternating types of lithology including Shale and dolomite (Figure 2).



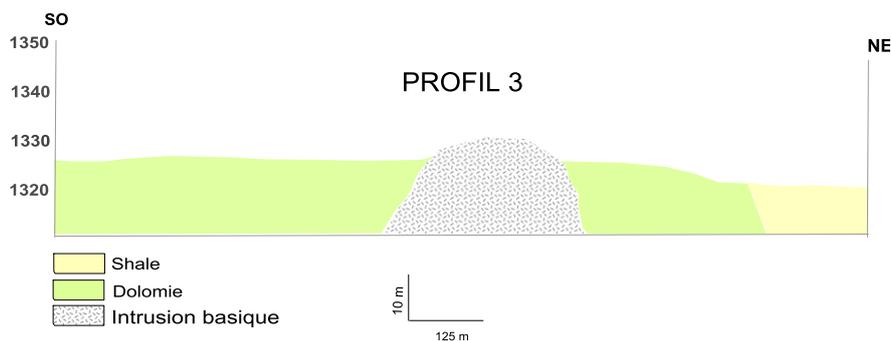
Profile 2

Oriented NE - SW, the second profile highlights an intrusive mass hosted in shales of brown color. The Kapande gabbroic massif, unlike the Kibe - Kibe outcrop, is less extensive and intrusive in shales (Figure 3).



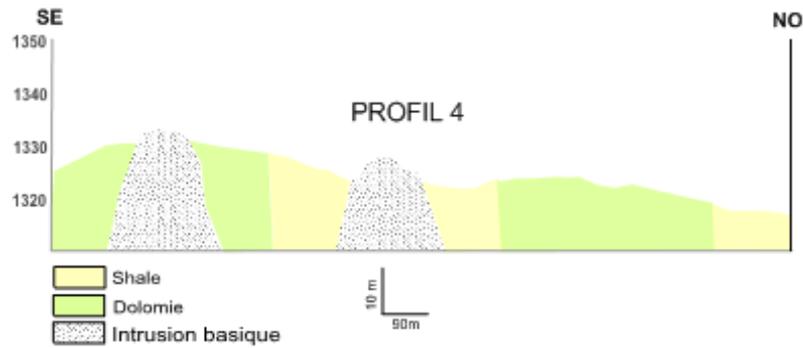
Profile 3

This profile intersects a red dolomitic formation in the south-west, intersected by a vast basic mass. It corresponds to the shortest profile of all (Figure 4).

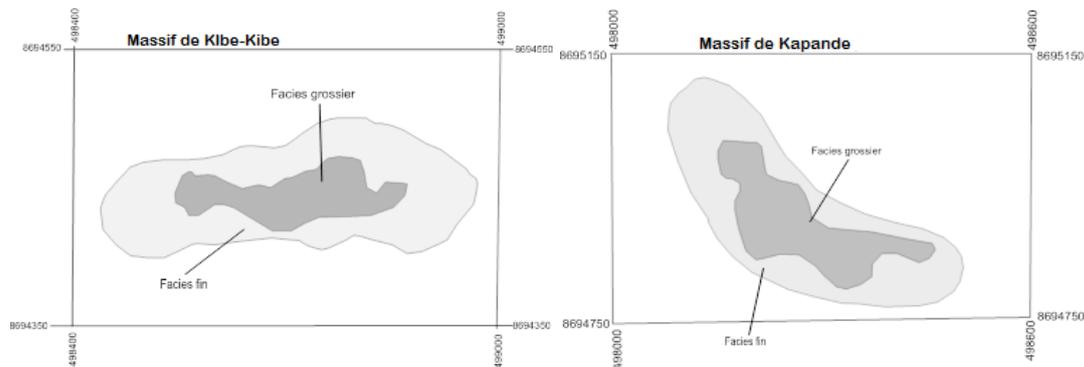


Profile 4

Direction SE - NO, this last profile intercepts two basic intrusive massifs (figure 5), the first mass is entered in a dolomite, more to the north outcrops the second mass which appears in turn within a clay formation.



Two types of facies have been identified by the mapping study, one consisting of coarse crystal rock and the other of fine crystal rock. It is worth noting that the size of crystals increases from the border to the interior of the massif. In the coarse crystal zone, the size varies from 3 to 6 mm, but it ranges from 1 to 2 mm in the fine crystal zone. Figure 5 shows the facies Zonality of the Kibe-Kibe and Kapande Massif.



3.1.2. PETROGRAPHY

➤ DESCRIPTION OF THE ROCKS OF THE COARSE FACES

3.1.2.1 Description of the sample ed 1

Macroscopic view of ed1

Microscopic observation of ED1 (LPA on the left and LPNA on the right)

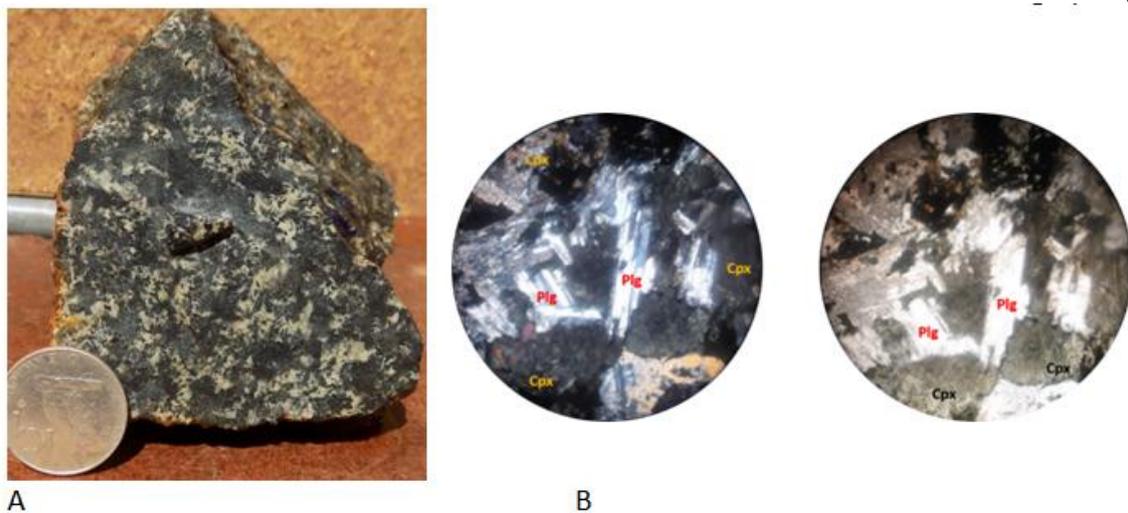


Figure 7: A) Grainy-textured rock with dark coloration with plagioclase crystals ranging in size from 3-5 mm, the rock contains flake-laminated minerals, probably ferromagnesians. B) The ED1 slide has the following microscopic characteristics: Plagioclases (Plg) generally have a sub-automorphic morphology but are most often more automorphic and are in the form of rods. The size of the plagioclase grains is on average 1 mm

in the gabbros (s.s.), but it varies from 0.5 mm to 3 mm between the different samples and is relatively constant within the same sample. Plagioclases generally represent the most abundant phase with almost all modal proportions. The clinopyroxenes (Cpx) observed are generally in the form of sub-automorphic crystals. They often have inclusions of plagioclase, they are moderately altered with sometimes a reduction of the hue, which tends towards a rather dark color. The size of the clinopyroxene grains is on average about 1 mm but varies between 0.1 mm and 1.2 mm in the samples. Opaque minerals (Opq) are very rare in these rocks ($\leq 1\%$) and are generally small. These minerals are mainly magnetites, ilmenites and sulphides. All opaque minerals have sub-automorphic to xenomorphic morphologies and are sometimes found in inclusion in plagioclase and clinopyroxene. Quartz (Qtz) appears on this preparation but has a very low proportion ($\ll 1\%$) The crystallization sequence is as follows: Plg - Cpx - Opq \pm (Qtz)

Table 2- Syntheses on the observations of the ED1 sample

| Sample Code | White Minerals | Colored Minerals | Minerals Accessories | Notes |
|-------------|-----------------------|------------------|----------------------|---|
| ED1 | Plagioclase Quartz | Clinopyroxene | Oxydes Sulphides | The rock is granular, the crystals of plagioclase and pyroxenes are sub automorphic. Note the very small presence of quartz crystals. |

3.1.2.2 Description of the sample ED2

Macroscopic view of ED2

Microscopic observation of ED2 (LPA on the left and LPNA on the right)

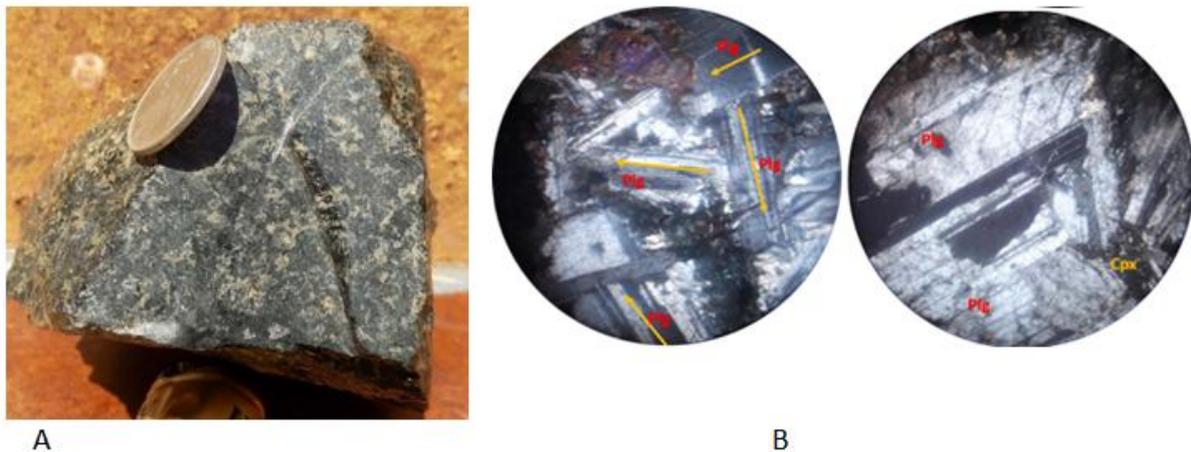


Figure 8: A) Grosse-textured, dark-colored rock with very abundant plagioclase crystals (plagioclase) ranging in size from 4-6 mm, the rock contains flake-laminated minerals. B) The ED2 blade has the following characteristics: Microscopic Plagioclases show crystals that are automorphic to sub-automorphic, most of them lattice-shaped. These twin slats (Carlsbad and polysynthetic) have various orientations in the blade and therefore do not follow a preferred direction. Their size varies within the samples and is between 1 and 6mm. Clinopyroxenes are sub-automorphic or even interstitial; in most samples, clinopyroxenes are slightly altered. The size of the clinopyroxene grains is generally constant and varies on average from 0.5 mm to 3 mm. The opaque minerals observed in these gabbros are essentially oxides and sulphides, these minerals are sub-automorphic to xenomorphic and are sometimes observed in inclusions in pyroxenes. Opaque minerals are generally small (<0.3 mm) and scanty ($\leq 2\%$). The textural relationships between the minerals in these gabbros make it possible to determine the following crystallization sequence: Plg - Cpx - Opq

Table 3- Syntheses on the observations of the ED2 sample.

| Sample Code | White Minerals | Colored Minerals | Minerals Accessories | Notes |
|-------------|----------------|------------------|----------------------|---|
| ED2 | Plagioclase | Clinopyroxene | Oxydes Sulphides | The rock is granular, with plagioclases automorphic and large pyroxenes are sub-automorphic, speckled. Note the absence of quartz and the presence of an accessory mineral such as sphene |

3.1.2.3 Description of the sample ED 10

Macroscopic view of ed10

Microscopic observation of ED10 (LPA on the left and LPNA on the right)

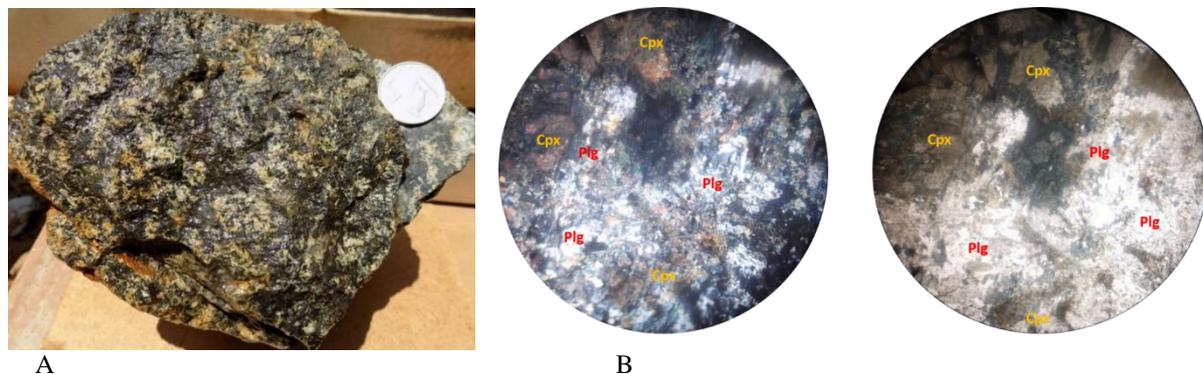


Figure 9: A) Dark-grained, textured rock with plagioclase size 3-6 mm, the rock contains bright laminated minerals. B) The ED10 slide, revealing some microscopic features compared to other samples: Altered Plagioclases are usually xenomorphic. In the studied slide, they are more abundant than the clinopyroxenes. The clinopyroxenes are observed mainly in xenomorphic crystals of variable size often including partially plagioclases. Like plagioclases, clinopyroxenes are also in the form of xenomorphic crystals. The opaque minerals, mainly iron oxides and sulphides, have a sub-automorphic to xenomorphic morphology. They are observed more rarely in inclusion in plagioclase or clinopyroxene. Opaque minerals are medium (≤ 0.2 mm) and generally not very abundant (<1% by volume). The textural relationships between the minerals in these gabbros make it possible to determine the following crystallization sequence: Plg - Cpx - Opq \pm (Bt)

Table 4- Syntheses on observations of the ED10 slide.

| Sample Code | White Minerals | Colored Minerals | Minerals Accessories | Notes |
|-------------|----------------|--------------------------|----------------------|---|
| ED10 | Plagioclase | Clinopyroxene Biotite | Oxydes Sulphides | Grosse-textured rock, whose plagioclase and pyroxene are clearly visible and automorphic. Presence of sphene and biotite. |

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3.1.2.4 Description of the sample ED 8

Macroscopic view of ED8

Microscopic observation of ED8 (LPA on the left and LPNA on the right)

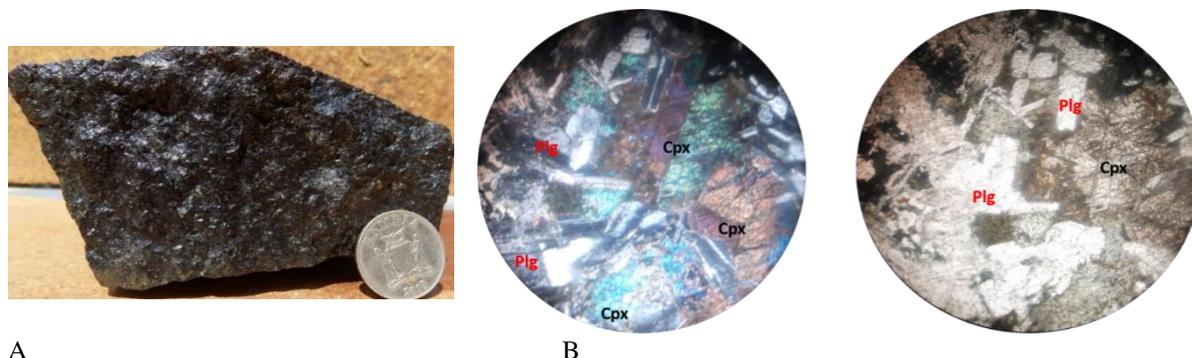


Figure 10: A) Rock rich in ferromagnesian minerals, dark color whose clear crystals represented by plagioclases become less visible in the matrix with a size less than 2mm. B) The microscopic description of this slide to demonstrate the following facts: The plagioclases are in the form of automorphic to sub-automorphic crystals and are partially bypassed by clinopyroxenes. No marks of remarkable alteration on this blade. Plagioclases generally have a larger crystal size of between 0.5 mm and 3 mm in all rocks. In the studied slide, they are more abundant than the clinopyroxenes. The clinopyroxenes are observed mainly in sub-automorphic to

xenomorphic crystals, sometimes twinned of variable size, surrounding the plagioclases. These morphologies are generally associated with smaller xenomorphic crystals situated in interstitial position between the other mineral phases. The opaque minerals observed would be iron oxides and sulphides. They are sub-automorphic to xenomorphic with an average size ≤ 0.2 mm and are generally scant $<1\%$ by volume. The textural relationships between the minerals in these gabbros make it possible to determine the following crystallization sequence: Plg - Cpx - Opq

Table 5- Syntheses on the observations of the sample ed8.

| Sample Code | White Minerals | Colored Minerals | Minerals Accessories | Notes |
|-------------|----------------|------------------|----------------------|--|
| ED8 | Plagioclase | Clinopyroxene | Oxydes Sulphides | The rock is granular, with automorphic plagioclases and sub-automorphic pyroxenes. The pyroxenes are twinned and essentially in Carlsbad |

3.2 GEOCHIMY

3.2.1 PRESENTATION OF DATA

3.2.1.1 MAJOR ELEMENTS

These elements, which account for more than 99% of the rock's chemical composition and have concentrations greater than 1% by weight in the geological materials, are listed in Table 6: Table 6 - Chemical analyzes in% of major elements

| C | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| | ED14N | ED4N | ED8N | ED11N | ED21N | ED19N | ED24N | ED22N | ED9N | ED12N | ED13N |
| SiO ₂ | 43,33 | 45,17 | 43,95 | 42,62 | 43,29 | 46,1 | 42,07 | 43,22 | 42,75 | 43,05 | 42,6 |
| Al ₂ O ₃ | 9,92 | 10,9 | 10,88 | 10,05 | 10,33 | 10,15 | 10,09 | 10,32 | 9,88 | 9,58 | 10,47 |
| TiO ₂ | 2,15 | 2,29 | 2,1 | 2,23 | 1,66 | 2,4 | 1,99 | 2,18 | 2,01 | 1,96 | 1,44 |
| FeO | 12,18 | 12,01 | 11,52 | 11,97 | 10,47 | 11,97 | 11,53 | 10,75 | 11,1 | 11,57 | 12,63 |
| MgO | 3,53 | 3,32 | 2,98 | 2,98 | 3,7 | 2,95 | 3,32 | 3,07 | 4,69 | 2,92 | 5,31 |
| MnO | 1,46 | 0,6 | 0,89 | 0,9 | 0,28 | 0,79 | 1,37 | 0,96 | 1,06 | 1,2 | 0,9 |
| CaO | 7,33 | 7,69 | 7,75 | 7,43 | 6,19 | 7,83 | 7,34 | 7,77 | 7,83 | 7,7 | 7,48 |
| Na ₂ O | 3,42 | 3,68 | 3,29 | 3,45 | 3,41 | 3,79 | 3,06 | 3,34 | 3,1 | 3,03 | 2,3 |
| K ₂ O | 0,72 | 0,68 | 0,56 | 0,54 | 0,7 | 0,41 | 0,62 | 0,52 | 0,38 | 0,69 | 0,25 |
| P ₂ O ₅ | 0,47 | 0,58 | 0,42 | 0,46 | 0,62 | 0,48 | 0,36 | 0,47 | 0,31 | 0,48 | 0,34 |
| | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| | ED1C | ED15C | ED25C | ED7C | ED2C | ED27 | ED30 | ED3C | ED6C | ED23C | ED5C |
| SiO ₂ | 44,51 | 40,99 | 43,76 | 42,9 | 41,9 | 43,76 | 45,85 | 40,55 | 41,29 | 41,72 | 41,12 |
| Al ₂ O ₃ | 9,35 | 9,54 | 9,43 | 8,96 | 11,05 | 12,57 | 11,66 | 10,22 | 9,62 | 10,45 | 11,09 |
| TiO ₂ | 1,94 | 1,83 | 2,19 | 1,82 | 1,68 | 2,17 | 1,8 | 1,86 | 1,84 | 1,89 | 2,03 |
| FeO | 13,2 | 11,6 | 13,42 | 13,22 | 9,4 | 9,4 | 8,92 | 11,57 | 13,32 | 12,54 | 11,02 |
| MgO | 3,98 | 3,47 | 2,82 | 3,4 | 3,35 | 3,13 | 3,33 | 3,42 | 3,28 | 3,52 | 2,94 |
| MnO | 1,26 | 0,83 | 1,09 | 1,44 | 1,44 | 1,73 | 1,27 | 1,09 | 0,86 | 1,15 | 0,99 |
| CaO | 7,32 | 6,61 | 6,39 | 6,75 | 8,01 | 8,03 | 8,52 | 6,82 | 6,62 | 6,39 | 6,95 |
| Na ₂ O | 3,05 | 2,81 | 3,49 | 2,88 | 2,61 | 3,38 | 2,77 | 2,91 | 2,94 | 3,03 | 3,13 |
| K ₂ O | 0,48 | 0,77 | 0,7 | 0,75 | 0,38 | 0,49 | 0,07 | 0,62 | 0,67 | 0,76 | 0,38 |
| P ₂ O ₅ | 0,43 | 0,44 | 0,48 | 0,38 | 0,45 | 0,32 | 0,41 | 0,51 | 0,57 | 0,53 | 0,55 |

3.2.1.2 TRACE ELEMENTS

These elements with contents below 0.1% were used to search for the origin of the magmas that produced the rocks observed. These contents of trace elements are expressed in ppm by mass of elements (Table 7).

Table 7: Chemical analysis in ppm of the trace elements

| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
|----|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| | ED14N | ED4N | ED8N | ED11N | ED21N | ED19N | ED24N | ED22N | ED9N | ED12N | ED13N |
| Cu | 252 | 238 | 329 | 262 | 249 | 316 | 274 | 243 | 281 | 282 | 170 |
| Zn | 94 | 101 | 156 | 137 | 92 | 126 | 104 | 124 | 46 | 93 | 87 |
| V | 221 | 207 | 334 | 299 | 196 | 326 | 365 | 308 | 226 | 330 | 280 |
| Cr | 68 | 97 | 0 | 0 | 103 | 0 | 91 | 0 | 155 | 0 | 146 |
| Ni | 62 | 63 | 5 | 57 | 50 | 58 | 75 | 57 | 132 | 67 | 115 |
| Pb | 7 | 12 | 0 | 11 | 8 | 17 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 7 | 0 |
| Sr | 369 | 371 | 363 | 368 | 345 | 361 | 361 | 367 | 323 | 366 | 418 |
| Rb | 28 | 26 | 29 | 30 | 23 | 21 | 30 | 27 | 21 | 26 | 28 |
| Ta | 255 | 246 | 258 | 260 | 259 | 244 | 251 | 249 | 207 | 280 | 209 |
| Nb | 60 | 64 | 40 | 53 | 39 | 57 | 37 | 50 | 42 | 41 | 20 |
| Zr | 205 | 210 | 155 | 170 | 120 | 191 | 124 | 184 | 112 | 173 | 101 |
| | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| | ED1C | ED15C | ED25C | ED7C | ED2C | ED27 | ED30 | ED3C | ED6C | ED23C | ED5C |
| CU | 246 | 341 | 342 | 361 | 190 | 356 | 268 | 281 | 300 | 358 | 257 |
| ZN | 72 | 36 | 43 | 104 | 100 | 86 | 64 | 49 | 136 | 36 | 91 |
| V | 289 | 255 | 344 | 291 | 231 | 299 | 317 | 309 | 257 | 394 | 232 |
| CR | 0 | 86 | 66 | 89 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| NI | 69 | 87 | 62 | 85 | 65 | 63 | 65 | 79 | 52 | 88 | 65 |
| PB | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 13 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 0 |
| SR | 279 | 318 | 307 | 306 | 361 | 404 | 406 | 314 | 358 | 327 | 350 |
| RB | 18 | 31 | 33 | 34 | 20 | 24 | 14 | 28 | 30 | 30 | 14 |
| TA | 249 | 273 | 241 | 192 | 261 | 289 | 277 | 226 | 260 | 233 | 273 |
| NB | 48 | 49 | 65 | 51 | 36 | 29 | 47 | 49 | 87 | 61 | 61 |
| ZR | 139 | 183 | 167 | 165 | 163 | 119 | 154 | 186 | 213 | 186 | 178 |

NORMATIVE CALCULATIONS

Table 8 - Mineral Distribution as Calculated by the CIPW Standard

| | ED14N | ED4N | ED8N | ED11N | ED21N | ED19N | ED24N | ED22N | ED9N | ED12N | ED13N |
|--------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| APATITE | 1.5 | 1.8 | 1.30 | 1.52 | 1.94 | 1.53 | 1.12 | 1.53 | 0.92 | 2.10 | 0.83 |
| ILMÉNITE | 5.80 | 6.24 | 5.64 | 6.39 | 4.54 | 6.67 | 0.97 | 6.16 | 5.19 | 5.18 | 3.03 |
| ORTHOSE | 6.04 | 5.76 | 4.65 | 4.78 | 5.96 | 3.54 | 5.18 | 4.57 | 3.07 | 5.69 | 1.64 |
| ALBITE | 13.62 | 16.13 | 18.73 | 15.55 | 15.49 | 13.87 | 16.98 | 17.27 | 16.19 | 14.56 | 19.35 |
| DIOPSIDE | 29.12 | 28.8 | 27.41 | 30.72 | 19.78 | 33.27 | 27.10 | 30.66 | 28.76 | 28.17 | 16.41 |
| HYPERSTHÈNE | 13.86 | 20.77 | 32.88 | 18.28 | 46.91 | 36.46 | 19.85 | 30.21 | 22.84 | 41.07 | 50.79 |
| OLIVINE | 30.06 | 20.45 | 9.38 | 22.73 | 5.36 | 4.63 | 28.66 | 9.63 | 23.03 | 3.21 | 7.94 |
| | ED1C | ED15C | ED25C | ED7C | ED2C | ED27 | ED30 | ED3C | ED6C | ED23C | ED5C |
| APATITE | 1.16 | 1.33 | 1.46 | 1.07 | 2.42 | 1.02 | 1.34 | 1.54 | 1.66 | 1.54 | 1.73 |
| ILMÉNITE | 4.62 | 4.79 | 5.86 | 4.47 | 7.86 | 5.95 | 6.76 | 4.92 | 4.68 | 4.77 | 5.52 |
| ORTHOSE | 3.54 | 6.31 | 5.87 | 5.74 | 5.51 | 4.21 | 6.17 | 5.11 | 5.33 | 5.98 | 3.19 |
| ALBITE | 12.97 | 15.32 | 11.23 | 12.01 | 42.7 | 25.48 | 25.86 | 18.02 | 14.82 | 16.77 | 21.62 |
| DIOPSIDE | 24.96 | 22.39 | 25.39 | 24.79 | 41.45 | 24.93 | 28.98 | 21 | 21.17 | 18.04 | 19.76 |
| HYPERSTHÈNE | 44.45 | 38.78 | 34.98 | 41.95 | 0 | 20.74 | 21.15 | 29.32 | 33.24 | 30.15 | 36.65 |
| OLIVINE | 8.29 | 11.78 | 15.19 | 10.46 | 0 | 17.66 | 9.74 | 19.88 | 19.09 | 22.71 | 11.51 |

CLASSIFICATION OF STRECKEISEN (1976)

This classification places the different samples of Kapande magmatic rocks in the family of gabbroic rocks (Figure 9) rich in plagioclase-type feldspar (P) and representing largely low proportions of quartz.

Table 9: QAP standard

| | ED14N | ED4N | ED8N | ED11N | ED21N | ED19N | ED24N | ED22N | ED9N | ED12N | ED13N |
|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Q | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| A | 30,74 | 26,34 | 19,89 | 23,54 | 27,8 | 20,33 | 23,4 | 20,94 | 15,95 | 28,11 | 7,83 |
| P | 96,26 | 73,66 | 80,11 | 76,46 | 72,2 | 79,67 | 76,6 | 79,06 | 84,05 | 71,89 | 92,17 |
| | ED1C | ED15C | ED25C | ED7C | ED2C | ED27 | ED30 | ED3C | ED6C | ED23C | ED5C |
| Q | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| A | 21,46 | 29,6 | 34,34 | 32,34 | 11,42 | 14,19 | 17,34 | 22,09 | 26,46 | 26,3 | 12,87 |
| P | 78,54 | 70,84 | 65,66 | 67,66 | 88,98 | 85,81 | 82,66 | 77,91 | 73,54 | 73,7 | 87,13 |

Plutonic QAP (after Streckeisen 1976)

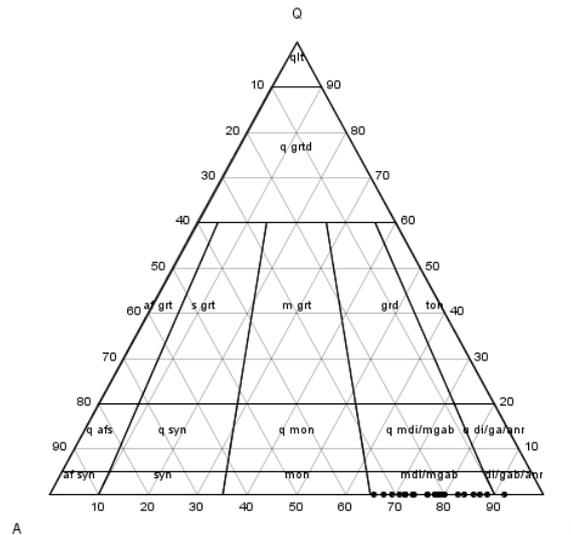


Figure 13 - QAP numeric fields (Streckeisen, 1976)

q mdi / mgab: Monzodiorite quartz and Monzogabbro; mdi / mgab: Monzodiorite and Monzogabbro; q di / gab: Quartz Diorite or Quartz Gabbro

TAS CHART (TOTAL ALKALIS-SILICA)

The SAR chart is one of the most used for magmatic rocks. The use of this diagram has been proposed by Cox et al. (1979) who demonstrated the importance of choosing SiO₂ and Na₂O + K₂O as bases for a classification of magmatic rocks (Figure 14). This diagram distinguishes ultrabasic, basic, intermediate, and acidic rocks based on their silica compositions.

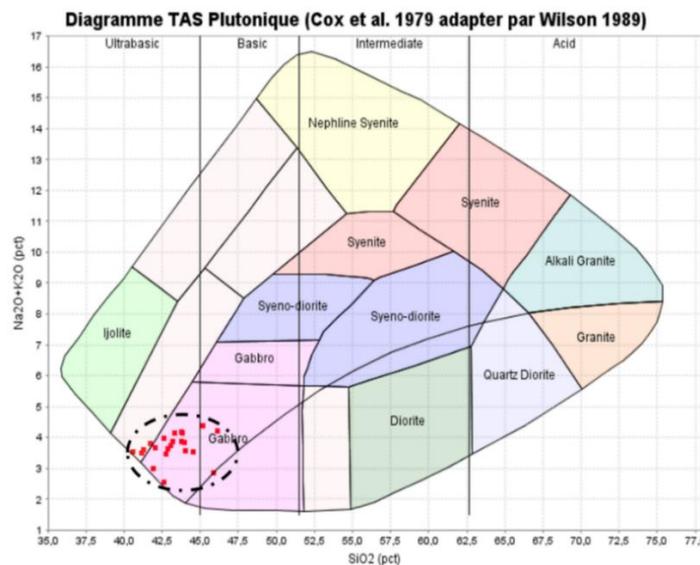


Figure 14 - TAS Plutonic Rock Chart (Cox et al., 1979, Wilson 1989)

The diagram in Figure 15 shows that all our samples are in the field of sodium alkaline gabbros.

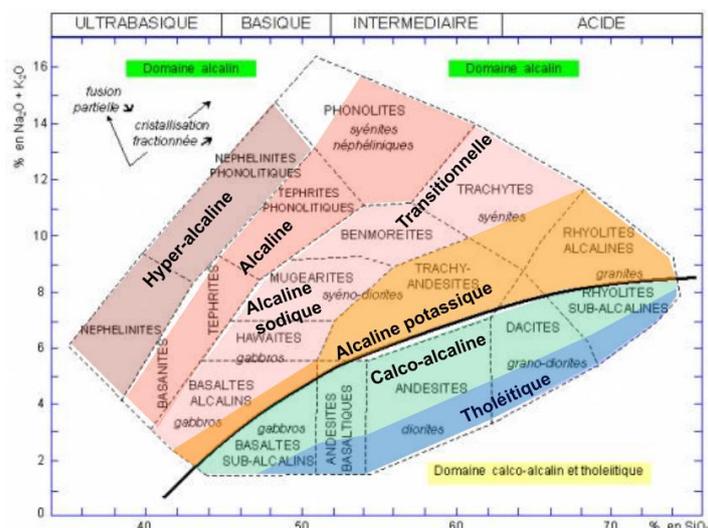


Figure 15 - TAS graph of plutonic rocks with magmatic series boundaries.

DIFFERENTIATION INDEX (D.I.)

It is an index that is calculated from the CIPW standard. It was introduced by Thornton and Tuttle (1960) for granites, but is now used for all magmatic rocks; it is supposed to express the ratio of white minerals in the rock, from the calculation of the weight percentages of the light-colored minerals of the standard (Table 10). So :

$$D.I = Qz + Or + Ab + Ne$$

Where Gold is orthoclase, Ab is albite and Ne is nepheline.

The differentiation index generally remains below 35% for an undifferentiated primary magma (Kabengele, 1986).

TABLE 10: DIFFERENTIATION INDICES (WEIGHT TABLE)

| | ED14N | ED4N | ED8N | ED11N | ED21N | ED19N | ED24N | ED22N | ED9N | ED12N | ED13N |
|-----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| QUARTZ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| ORTHOSE | 6,04 | 5,76 | 4,65 | 4,78 | 5,96 | 3,54 | 5,18 | 4,57 | 3,07 | 5,69 | 1,64 |
| ALBITE | 13,62 | 16,13 | 18,73 | 15,55 | 15,49 | 13,87 | 16,98 | 17,27 | 16,19 | 14,56 | 19,35 |
| NÉPHÉLINE | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| I.D | 19,66 | 21,89 | 23,38 | 20,33 | 21,45 | 17,41 | 22,16 | 21,84 | 19,26 | 20,25 | 20,99 |
| | ED1C | ED15C | ED25C | ED7C | ED2C | ED27 | ED30 | ED3C | ED6C | ED23C | ED5C |
| QUARTZ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| ORTHOSE | 3,54 | 6,31 | 5,87 | 5,74 | 5,51 | 4,21 | 6,17 | 5,11 | 5,33 | 5,98 | 3,19 |
| ALBITE | 12,97 | 15,32 | 11,23 | 12,01 | 42,7 | 25,48 | 25,86 | 18,02 | 14,82 | 16,77 | 21,62 |
| NÉPHÉLINE | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| I.D | 16,51 | 21,63 | 17,1 | 17,75 | 48,21 | 29,69 | 32,03 | 23,13 | 20,15 | 22,75 | 24,81 |

Our samples mainly have a differentiation index of less than 35%, this shows us that we are dealing with a primary origin (undifferentiated) of our generator magma.

ALTERATION INDEX AND HYPER-ALUMINOSITY INDEX

Alteration indices (Table 11) $AI = [MgO + K_2O / MgO + K_2O + CaO + Na_2O] \times 100$ and hyper-aluminosity (Table 12) $PI = [Al_2O_{mol} / (CaO_{mol} + Na_2O_{mol} + K_2O_{mol})]$, provide good information on the intensity of the alteration affecting the magmatic rocks.

It should be noted that the mean values of the A.I. index of the mid-oceanic wrinkle basalts (MORB) and the unaltered arcuate basalts (VAB) are respectively 36 ± 8 and 34 ± 10 ; (LaFleche et al., 1991). Note that chloritization and sericitization of mafic rocks lead to A.I. values. greater than 50 while the albitization causes a decrease of this index under the threshold of 30.

Table 11 - Alteration Rates in Samples

| | ED14N | ED4N | ED8N | ED11N | ED21N | ED19N | ED24N | ED22N | ED9N | ED12N | ED13N |
|-----|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| I.A | 28,37 | 26,02 | 24,29 | 24,46 | 30 | 22,4 | 27,44 | 24,42 | 31,72 | 25,19 | 36,23 |
| | ED1C | ED15C | ED25C | ED7C | ED2C | ED27 | ED30 | ED3C | ED6C | ED23C | ED5C |
| I.A | 30,08 | 31,03 | 26,28 | 30,11 | 26 | 24,1 | 23,18 | 29,33 | 29,28 | 31,2 | 24,75 |

In the case of mafic rocks, an index of P.I. greater than 1 indicates a relative leaching of alkalis with respect to alumina. High values of the P.I. index generally involve hydrothermal leaching of the alkalis. Note that no sample gave a value of P.I greater than 1.

Table 12 - Rates of Hyperaluminosity Index in Samples

| | ED14 N | ED4N | ED8N | ED11 N | ED21 N | ED19 N | ED24 N | ED22 N | ED9 N | ED12 N | ED13N |
|---------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------|-------|
| I. P | 0,5 | 0,52 | 0,54 | 0,51 | 0,55 | 0,48 | 0,53 | 0,51 | 0,5 | 0,48 | 0,59 |
| | ED1C C | ED15 C | ED25 C | ED7C | ED2C | ED27 | ED30 | ED3C | ED6C | ED23 C | ED5C |
| I. P | 0,5 | 0,55 | 0,52 | 0,5 | 0,57 | 0,61 | 0,58 | 0,57 | 0,55 | 0,6 | 0,61 |

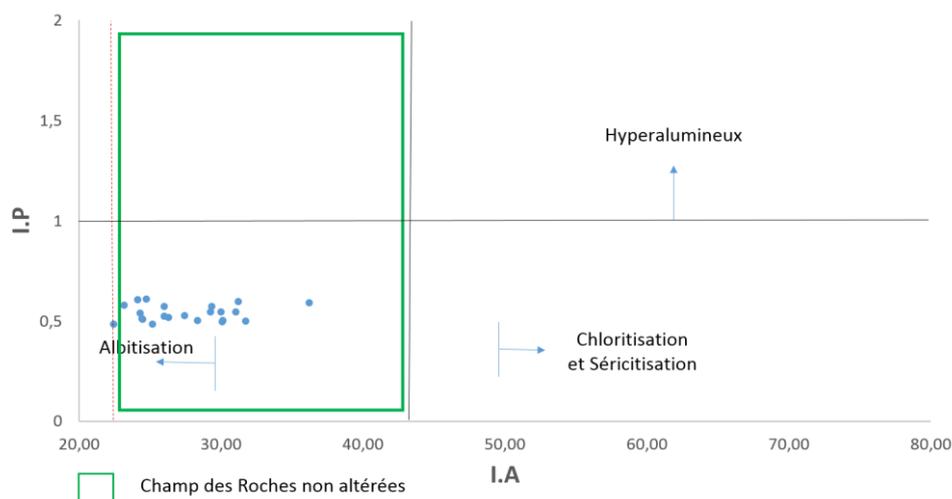


Figure 16 - Diagrams of the index of hyper-aluminosity (P.I.) According to the index of deterioration (A.I.). At first glance, these observations suggest that samples of mafic rocks visually selected as fresh did not undergo significant hydrothermal alteration.

MAGMATIC AFFINITY

Modern petrology distinguishes three main types of magmatic series: alkaline, tholeiitic and calc-alkaline. The Na₂O + K₂O vs. SiO₂ diagram (Irvine & Baragar, 1971), frequently used to separate alkaline and sub-alkaline rocks, also shows that almost all of the samples in our study area are in the alkaline range (Figure 17). The subalkaline domain is divided into calco-alkaline and tholeiitic series, the latter being richer in iron than the former.

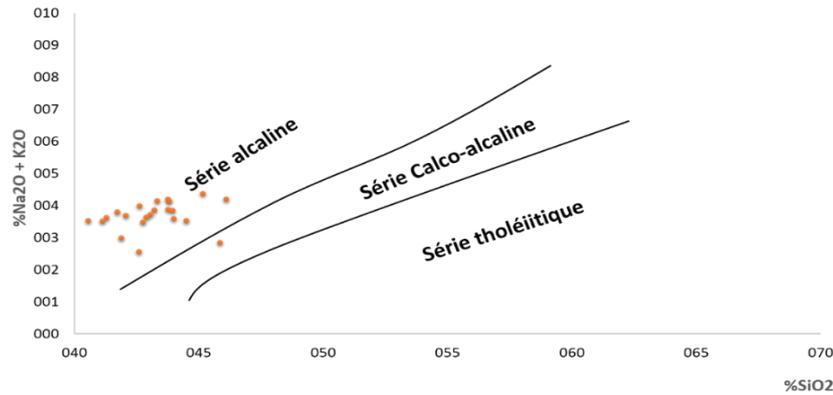


Figure 17 - Classification chart of a magmatic series

GEODYNAMIC CONTEXT OF THE SETTING

Pearce et al. (1984) defined the different geodynamic contexts of magma emplacement using a diagram based on the variation of the zirconium content (Zr) with respect to the niobium content on zirconium multiplied by the number of samples (n = 22 for our case): (Nb / Zr) N-Zr (Figure 18 and Table 13).

The result of this study (diagram in Figure 18) shows the gabbroic rocks flush in the Kapande area mainly related to an intra-plate alkaline magmatism.

However, a minority of points fall into the domain corresponding to the magmatism of the collision zones. This could be due to the fact that the mantle basaltic magma was mixed with the overlying crustal material during its ascent. As a result, some of these rocks have inherited the crustal geochemical signature (figure19)

Table 13 - Discrimination Table of the Geodynamic Context of Magmatism

| | ED14 | ED4N | ED8N | ED11 | ED21 | ED19 | ED24 | ED22 | ED9 | ED12 | ED13 |
|---------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| (Nb/Zr)* n | 6,44 | 6,7 | 5,68 | 6,86 | 7,15 | 6,57 | 6,56 | 5,98 | 8,25 | 5,21 | 4,36 |
| Zr (ppm) | 205 | 210 | 155 | 170 | 120 | 191 | 124 | 184 | 112 | 173 | 101 |
| | ED1C | ED15 | ED25 | ED7C | ED2C | ED27 | ED30 | ED3C | ED6 | ED23 | ED5C |
| (Nb/Zr)* n | 7,6 | 5,89 | 8,56 | 6,8 | 4,86 | 5,36 | 6,71 | 5,8 | 8,99 | 7,22 | 7,54 |
| Zr (ppm) | 139 | 183 | 167 | 165 | 163 | 119 | 154 | 186 | 213 | 186 | 178 |

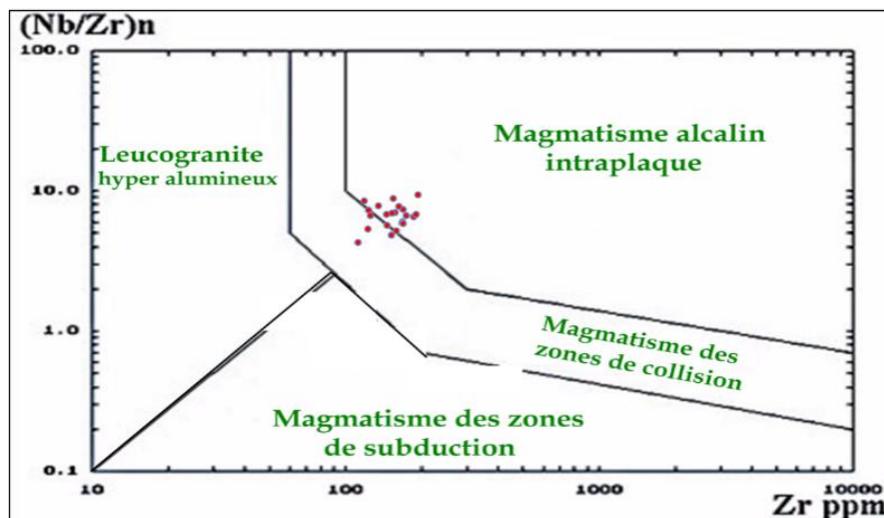


Figure 18 - Diagram of discrimination of the geodynamic context as a function of (Nb / Zr) * Zr Vs Zr. According to thieblemnt & Téggyey, 1994

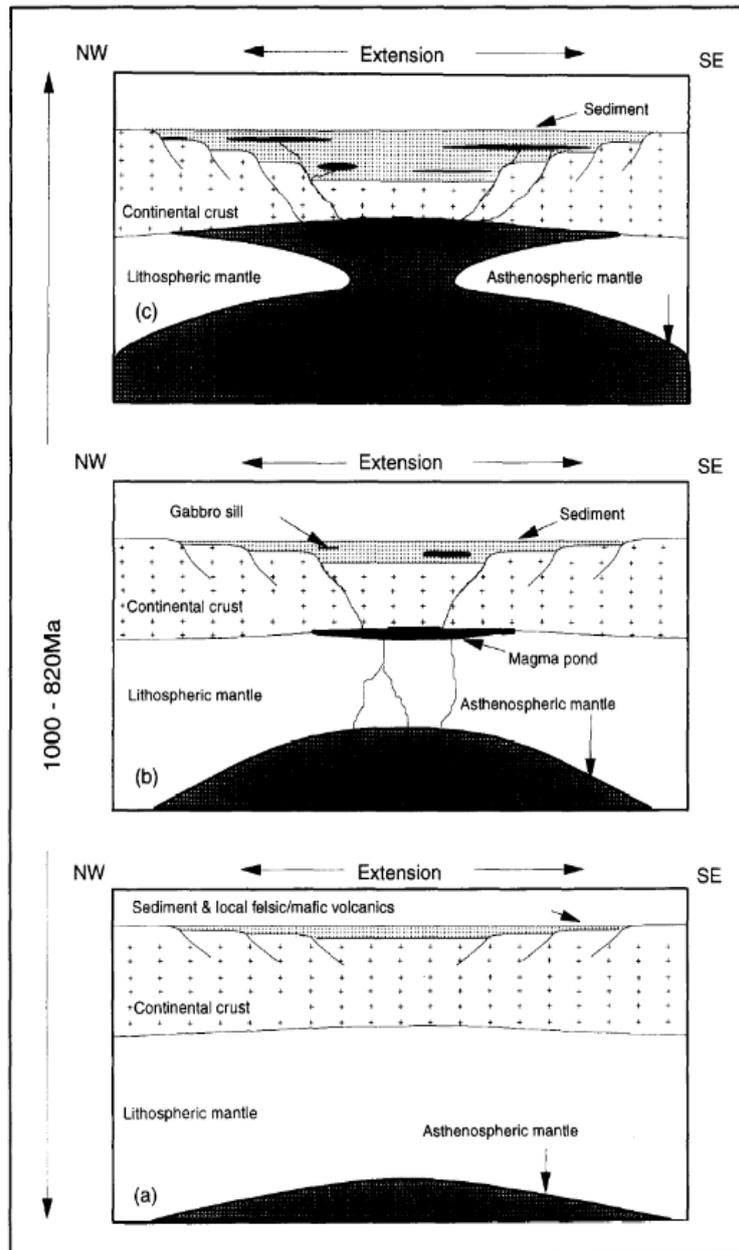


Figure 19 : schematic diagram showing three stages of the possible evolution of the Katangan Basin. (a) An early stage of initial rifting. (b) an intermediate stage of early mafic magmatism. (c) a late stage of rupture and less enriched mafic magmatism.

IV. Discussion And Conclusion

The Neoproterozoic formations constituting the Copperbelt have deposited in an intra-cratonic basin linked to a pan-African continental rift, probably about 400 kilometers long (Kampunzu and Cailteux 1999, Porada and Berhorst 2000). The 1 to 3 kilometer thick sediments that have filled this basin, now called the Roan Supergroup, have been deposited in carbonate and clasticstone cycles whose thickness and facies have changed over time (Lefebvre, 1989a, Cailteux et al. 1994, Hitzman et al., 2005). Several faults and extensional fractures have enlarged the basin in which they have formed new lands (Unrug 1988, Porada and Berhorst 2000), and these have been named Nguba Supergroup (Lower Kundelungu) and Kundelungu (Upper Kundelungu) before the rifting movement stopped around 573 Ma (Kampunzu and Cailteux, 1999, Master et al., 2005).

According to Oosterbosch 1959, Lefebvre 1973 and 1975, Mashala 2007, the magmatic rocks that are observed in the Katangan would have developed around 600 Ma. Lefebvre (1973) states that the Katangan has undergone significant essentially basic magmatic phenomena by studying the pyroclastic rocks of the lower Mwashya. The magmatic rocks observed in the Katanguian are located in the following 5 levels: (1) the Sub-Group of Mines where we have basic rocks replacing the Argilo-Mossy Gray Rock in the Etoile deposit

(Cailteux, 1994)), in the sector of Kambove (Cailteux, 1983, 1994) and in the mining polygon of Lwisha in the same stratigraphic level (Lefebvre and Cailteux, 1975). Cluzel (1986) also observes such rocks in close relationship with the dolomitic ensemble of the Kambove Formation (CMN). (2) In Dipeta there are sills and dykes of intrusive gabbroic and doleritic rocks at Mwadingusha and Kankonge (Oosterbosch, 1959, Lefebvre, 1975) and those of andesites more or less spilitized at Makawe, Shinkolobwe and Kipushi, respectively. (3) In the Mwashya below Kipoi, Kapolowe and especially Shituru (Likasi). Lefebvre (1973) reports the presence of the basic pyroclastic levels formerly known as "Kipoi breaches" in the localities of Kipoi, Kapolowe, Kompina, Mulungwishi, Gombela, and Shituru Quarry. These rocks, which have varied aspects ranging from true tuffs and lapilli, to argillites, have also been recognized in the Kambove sector of Kamoya (Cailteux, 1983, Mashala, 2007) under their beryllic facies only. (4) Cailteux et al. 2003 noted the presence of this type of rocks at Lwisha; in the big conglomerate of the Nguba Sub - Group where we have basic lava. (5) Doleras are reported in Kundelungu where gabbro dykes are found in Kalolo, Moba (Kapenda, 1986). As for the deposits of the Sub-Group of Mines, the small extension, the discreet and sporadic character of the volcanic products recognized just at the base and sporadically at the top of the series and the enormous volume of the mineralization observed in this group make it certainly less obvious. this relationship (Okitaudji, 1989 and 1997, Loris, 1996). The purpose of this paper was to determine the petrographic characteristics and geochemical variations of the basic Kapande plutonic rocks.

Mapping and lithostratigraphy have resulted in the development of geological sections that intercept basic intrusions. The stratigraphy of the observed terrains shows that they are formations of the Nguba group, characterized by an alternation of shales and dolomites. This succession has been specified by a study of the physicochemical characteristics of the soils and termite mounds that form there. Basic intrusions are characterized in landscape by a morphology of small massifs or rounded blocks. The intrusiveness of these intrusions has been demonstrated by the existence of two facies, a fine border facies surrounding a coarse facies at the heart of the intrusion. From a petrographic point of view, these rocks are characterized by a distinctly granular texture whose order of crystallization ranges from basic double-banded plagioclase, to quartz passing respectively by pyroxene of monoclinic type probably augite, opaque minerals and some sphene crystals. These minerals observed in particular by Tembo et al. (1999) make up the gabbros described by them. These gabbros are considered to be the result of basaltic magmas with a chemical signature relating to intraplate magmatism.

Geochemically, the chemical composition is clearly basic with SiO₂ contents ranging from 40.55 to 46.10%, MgO less than 7% and the average sum Fe + Mg + Mn + Ti is 18.

These gabbros whose ratios Al₂O₃ / (CaO + K₂O + Na₂O) are less than 1, which attests their aluminous nature.

The primary and undifferentiated character of the magma is indicated by the generally less than 35 value of the differentiation index.

In the alkali-silicate diagram of Irvine and Baragar (1971), Kapande gabbros are placed in the field of alkaline rocks. They show generally high levels of Cu, V, Sr, and Zr and relatively low in Cr, Zr, Co, Rb and Ni.

The Rb / Sr ratio varies according to the outcrops, the majority of outcrops have values between 0.07-0.11 which are closer to the mantle values (0.01-0.02 for the dorsal basalts) (Leroy, 1978).

Using the geochemical and geotectonic discrimination diagram [(Nb / Zr) ^{xn}] / Zr of Thiéblemont & Tégyey (1994), our samples fall into the field of "intra-alkaline magmatism". The granitoids related to this type of magmatism are probably the only ones to be correctly classified based solely on their geochemistry, with granitoids from other geodynamic contexts requiring additional dating and geological observations in addition (Forster et al., 1997).

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