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INTRODUCTION

This report presents the results of detailed microscopic examination of igneous rock thin sections from Amlia Island of the Aleutian chain (Fig. 1), and interpretations of those data. The rocks were collected in July, 1979, as part of a larger study of island arc, forearc, and trench sedimentation and tectonics of the Amlia Corridor of the Aleutian Island Arc (Hein and McLean, 1980; McLean and others, 1981; Scholl and others, 1981; Vallier and others, 1981). These studies are designed to deduce the geologic evolution of the Aleutian Ridge by examination of the geophysical and lithologic records in a 200-km-wide corridor traversing the Aleutian Island Arc perpendicular to its axis from the Pacific Basin to the Bering Sea. Amlia Island (173°W) is included in this corridor.

Prior to the reconnaissance geology of McLean and others (1980), no geologic study of Amlia Island had been undertaken. The main thrust of the investigations in 1979 centered on sample-collection and recording of field observations and relations. Among the many samples collected that summer was a suite of forty-nine igneous rocks. A sub-suite of thirty-one samples was chosen from the forty-nine for chemical and other studies. Detailed microscopic thin section examinations of the forty-nine igneous rocks were undertaken and 500-point modal counts were performed on the thirty-one selected for chemistry. The other eighteen sections were examined in detail and percentages of mineral phases, vesicles, and amygdules were estimated using the visual percentage estimation diagram of Terry and Chilingar (1955). Rock names for the thirty-one samples selected for chemistry were derived from the chemical classification of Irvine and Baragar (1971), whereas names for the eighteen remaining samples were derived from petrographic criteria. The samples in this study were also analyzed by X-ray diffraction technique which aided in the identification of mineral phases in thin section.

GEOLOGIC SETTING

The Aleutian Ridge represents a typical ensimatic volcanic arc which is mostly submerged. The Aleutian Islands represent peaks on a generally flat-topped structure that is 2,200 km long and 200-250 km wide. Amlia Island is one of these "mountain peaks" of the Aleutian Ridge. It is near the east end of the Andreanof Island group, adjacent to Atka Island. The island is 72 km long in an east-west orientation, about 8 km wide at its maximum, and its central ridge reaches a maximum elevation of about 600 m. The topography of the island is rugged and its coastline is characterized by many seacliffs, bays, and coves. It is barren except for low summertime tundra vegetation. Although there is no active volcanism on Amlia, it is evident that volcanism was responsible for its construction. The rocks of Amlia are tilted generally ten to fifteen degrees to the south, allowing exposure of a partial stratigraphic section. Weak folding and abundant faulting are evident in the volcanic pile, and the rocks have been altered by diagenesis and low grade metamorphism. The igneous rocks range in composition from basalt through rhyolite, and the sedimentary rocks represent first cycle erosion products from a nearby volcanic landmass.

The processes which formed Amlia Island are thought to have begun in

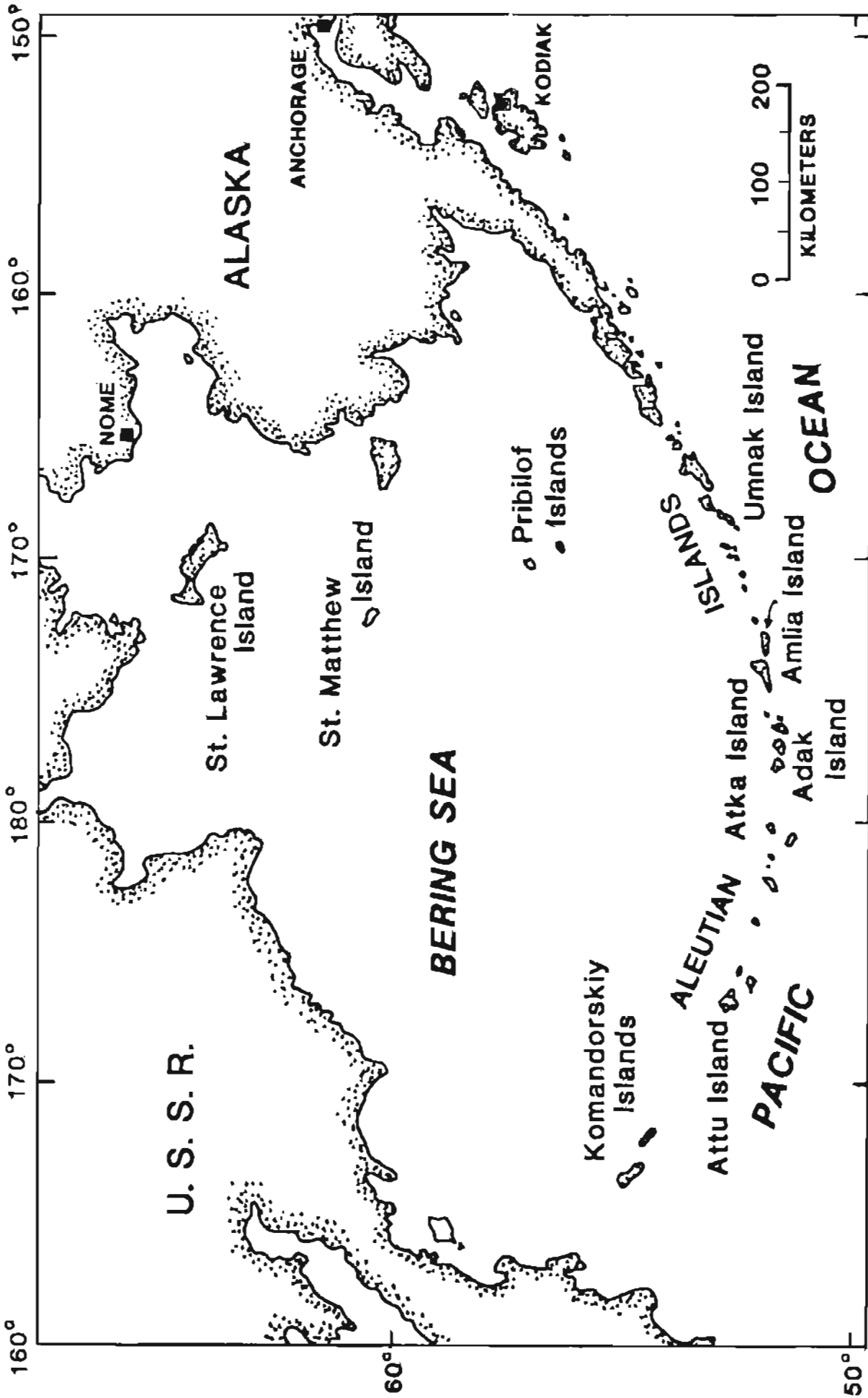


Fig. 1. Index map of the north Pacific showing the location of Amliia Island in the Aleutian Chain.  
 (Courtesy H. McLean)

Eocene time and continued into the Neogene (McLean and others, 1981). Extrusive volcanism began the construction and intrusive activity, tectonism, and erosion/deposition cycles augmented it. The volcanic rocks of Amlia Island apparently include both submarine and subaerial, consisting of flow breccias and massive, columnar and pillowed lava flows. The intrusive rocks consist of dikes, sills, and other hypabyssal intrusions. Figure 2 is a geologic sketch map of Amlia Island, with sample localities indicated.

#### PETROGRAPHY

Extrusive rocks of Amlia Island include basalt, basaltic andesite, andesite, dacite, and rhyolite. The intrusive rocks include gabbro, basalt, basaltic andesite, tonalite, and dacite. The extrusive rocks are generally quite glassy, displaying much incipient crystallization and are plagioclase/pyroxene phyric. The intrusive rocks frequently have intersertal glass in the groundmass but are otherwise plagioclase/pyroxene phyric granular. All the rocks display incipient to thorough propylitic alteration.\* The mineralogy of the rocks is rather constant. The main variations are in the proportion of minerals to one another rather than differences in mineralogy. Table 1 summarizes the primary mineralogy by rock type. All samples contain plagioclase, clinopyroxene, orthopyroxene, and Fe-Ti oxides. Primary phases which occur in only rare samples are amphibole, apatite, potash feldspar, olivine, and quartz. Most of the rocks contain phenocrysts of plagioclase, clinopyroxene, and orthopyroxene. Rocks exclusive of basalt, gabbro, and tonalite contain phenocrysts of potash feldspar and all rocks exclusive of basaltic andesite contain Fe-Ti oxide (ore) phenocrysts. Only tonalite contains primary amphibole. Primary groundmass phases include plagioclase, clinopyroxene, orthopyroxene, quartz, potash feldspar, ore, olivine, and apatite. Potash feldspar, as a groundmass phase, is found only in rhyolite and basaltic andesite. Apatite is an accessory phase in all rock types exclusive of basaltic andesite and tonalite. Olivine (totally replaced by calcite) is found only in isolated samples. Textures in the Amlia rocks are felted, hyaloophitic, hyalopilitic, hypidiomorphic granular, intergranular, intersertal, microlitic, subophitic, and subtrachytic. All the volcanic rocks are porphyritic with most samples having groundmass textures from intergranular to intersertal, tending towards hyalopilitic. Deformational textures are absent in the rocks and phase changes are restricted to simple devitrification and recrystallization. Vesicle percentages in the Amlia volcanics are rather low; most samples contain less than ten percent. Maximum vesiculation, determined by modal analyses, is thirty percent in a basalt sample taken from the north coast of the island.

Metasomatic alteration of the Amlia rocks is most evident in the groundmass glasses. In most instances, these glasses have totally devitrified to zeolites and clay minerals. Microlites and skeletal crystals of amphibole(?), analcite(?), biotite(?), caladonite, chlorite, chlorophaeite\*\*,

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\* refers to hydrothermal alteration resulting in the formation of calcite, chlorite, epidote, and similar low-grade metamorphic minerals.

\*\* Green to greenish-brown smectite mineral of variable Fe and Mg contents, with composition between nontronite and saponite.

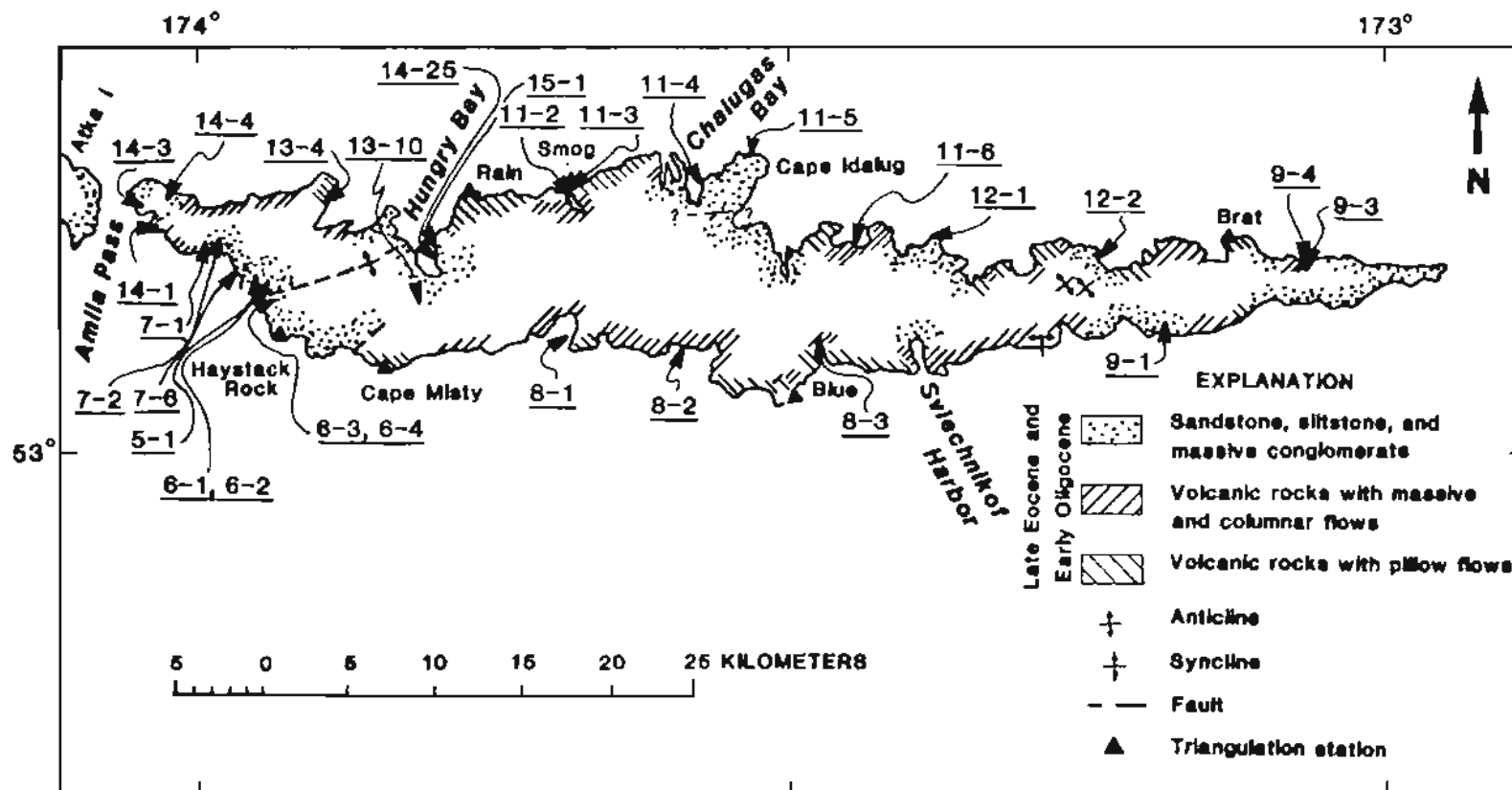


Fig. 2. Geologic Sketch Map of Amila Island showing igneous rock sample localities. (Courtesy H. McLean)

Table 1. Summary of primary mineralogy, igneous rocks of Amlia Island.

Rock Type	Phenocrysts						Groundmass								
	Clino- pyroxene	Fe-Ti oxide ore	Olivine	Ortho- pyroxene	Plagio- clase	Potash Feldspar	Apatite	Clino- pyroxene	Fe-Ti oxide ore	Glass	Olivine	Ortho- pyroxene	Plagio- clase	Potash Feldspar	Quartz
Basalt	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x	x		x
Basaltic Andesite	x			x	x			x	x	x			x		x
Andesite	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x		x
Dacite	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x		x
Rhyolite	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x

Rock Type	Phenocrysts						Groundmass								
	Amphi- bole	Clino- pyroxene	Fe-Ti oxide ore	Ortho- pyroxene	Plagio- clase	Potash Feldspar	Apatite	Biotite?	Clino- pyroxene	Fe-Ti oxide ore	Glass	Ortho- pyroxene	Plagio- clase	Potash Feldspar	Quartz
Basalt		x			x				x	x	x		x		x
Basaltic Andesite		x		x	x	x			x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Dacite		x	x		x		x		x	x	x	x	x		x
Gabbro		x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x	x		x
Tonalite	x	x	x	x	x				x	x		x	x		x

and other smectites, epidote(?), goethite(?), hematite, magnetite(?), pumpellyite, and zeolites are visible in various associations in almost all of the glasses. Propylitic or secondary mineral phases observed in the Amlia igneous rocks include amphibole, analcite, biotite(?), calcite, celadonite, chlorite, chlorophaeite and other smectites, epidote, goethite, hematite, kaolinite, leucoxene, prehnite(?), pumpellyite, sericite(?), and natrolite and other zeolites (Table 2). Clinopyroxene is replaced by amphibole, chlorite, smectite(?), pumpellyite(?), and chlorophaeite. Olivine is replaced by calcite, smectite, and chlorophaeite. Ore phases are replaced by hematite and leucoxene. Potash feldspar is replaced by kaolinite, pumpellyite, sericite(?), and zeolites. Orthopyroxene is replaced by calcite, chlorite, hematite, and chlorophaeite and other smectites. Plagioclase is replaced by epidote, kaolinite, prehnite(?), pumpellyite, sericite(?), smectite, and zeolites.

Deuteric activity in the form of vesicle fillings and cross-cutting veinlets is abundant in many of the rocks, particularly the extrusive rocks (Tables 3 and 4). Vesicle fillings in basalts include calcite, chlorophaeite and other smectites, quartz, natrolite(?), and other zeolites. Chlorophaeite, quartz, pumpellyite(?) and zeolite amygdules were seen in basaltic andesites. Quartz, smectite, and zeolite amygdules occur in andesites. The dacites contain only smectite amygdules, whereas the rhyolites have amygdules of chlorophaeite, quartz, and zeolites. Deuteric minerals deposited in cross-cutting veinlets cover an even larger, but similar, range of mineral phases. Veinlets containing analcite, calcite, goethite, quartz, smectite, and zeolites were observed in basalts. Andesites displayed veinlets containing hematite, manganic oxide(?) and quartz. Dacites have veinlets composed of chlorophaeite and other smectites, goethite, hematite, kaolinite, prehnite(?), quartz, natrolite(?) and other zeolites. Rhyolites showed veinlets made up of epidote(?), hematite, pumpellyite, and quartz. Table 5 summarizes all petrographic data.

#### PETROLOGY AND DISCUSSION

Major, minor, and trace element chemistry of selected igneous rock samples from Amlia Island are presented and discussed by McLean and others, (1981), and Vallier and others, (1981; in preparation). In this study, an attempt is made to document the distribution and alteration of primary phases in the igneous rocks of Amlia Island through space and time, and to suggest mechanisms for the origin and subsequent metamorphism of these phases.

The rocks have calc-alkaline/tholeiitic mineral assemblages when reconstructed by chemical and normative techniques (Vallier and others, 1981). The range and distribution of the component phases are rather remarkable, however, in that mafic minerals like clinopyroxene, are often abundant in the rhyolites, and minerals such as quartz are often abundant even in basalt. Both phenocryst and groundmass plagioclase compositions determined by the optical method of Michel-Levy, have high anorthite content characteristic of plagioclase of the tholeiitic suite. Even higher anorthite contents were obtained by microprobe analysis. Table 6 summarizes microprobe analyses of plagioclase in selected Amlia samples.

Potash feldspar was identified by the presence of solitary Carlsbad twinning and axial angles (2E) of less than 40°. They are probably potassium-

Table 2. Mineral phase replacement, igneous rocks of Amlia Island

Rock Type	Extrusive Rocks														
	Amphi-bole? replaces	Analcite? replaces	Biotite? replaces	Calcite replaces	Cela-donite replaces	Chlorite replaces	Chlorophaeite replaces	Epidote replaces	Hematite replaces	Kaolinite replaces	Leucocoxene replaces	Pumpellyite replaces	Sericite? replaces	Smectite (alkali) replaces	Zeolites (undiff.) replaces
Basalt	<u>cpx</u> Glass	<u>Glass</u> plag		<u>Olivine</u> opx		<u>Glass</u> opx	<u>Glass</u> <u>Olivine</u> opx	<u>Glass</u> plag	Fe-Ti oxide (ore)	plag	Fe-Ti oxide (ore)	<u>Glass</u> plag	plag	<u>cpx</u> <u>Glass</u> opx plag	<u>Glass</u> plag
Basaltic Andesite			Glass	opx		<u>Glass</u> opx	<u>cpx</u> <u>Glass</u> opx		Fe-Ti oxide (ore)		Fe-Ti oxide (ore)	<u>cpx</u> <u>Glass</u> plag	plag	<u>Glass</u> opx	Glass
Andesite	<u>cpx</u> Glass			opx	Glass	<u>Glass</u> opx	<u>Glass</u> opx	plag	<u>Glass</u> opx	plag		<u>Glass</u> plag	plag	<u>cpx</u> <u>Glass</u> opx plag	<u>Glass</u> plag
Dacite							<u>cpx</u> Glass		Fe-Ti oxide (ore)	plag	Fe-Ti oxide (ore)	Glass	plag	<u>Glass</u> opx	Glass
Rhyolite					Glass		<u>cpx</u> <u>Glass</u> opx	plag	<u>cpx</u> Fe-Ti oxide (ore) <u>Glass</u> opx	plag	Fe-Ti oxide (ore)	<u>cpx</u> <u>Glass</u> opx plag	plag	<u>Glass</u> opx	<u>Glass</u> plag



Table 2. (Continued).

Rock Type	Intrusive Rocks												
	Amphibole replaces	Biotite? replaces	Calcite replaces	Chlorite replaces	Chlorophaeite replaces	Hematite replaces	Kaolinite replaces	Leucoxene replaces	Prennite? replaces	Pumpellyite replaces	Sericite? replaces	Smectite (alkali replaces)	Zeolites (Undif) replaces
Basalt					Glass		plag				plag	<u>Glass</u> plag	
Basaltic Andesite		Glass	opx	<u>Glass</u> opx	opx			Fe-Ti oxide (ore)		<u>Glass</u> plag cpx	plag	Glass	Glass
Dacite					<u>Glass</u> opx	Fe-Ti oxide (ore)		Fe-Ti oxide (ore)	plag		plag		
Gabbro	cpx			<u>cpx</u> opx		Fe-Ti oxide (ore)	plag	Fe-Ti oxide (ore)			plag	<u>cpx</u> <u>Glass</u> opx plag	Glass
Tonalite					opx		plag	Fe-Ti oxide (ore)		plag	plag		plag

Table 3. Deuteric mineral veinlet distribution, extrusive rocks of Amila Island.

Rock Type	Mineralogy							
	Chloro- epidote	Calcite	phaeite	Manganese oxide?	Natro- pumpel- ite?	Preh- nite?	Pumpe- lyite	Smeectite Zeolites (alkali) (undiff.)
Basalt	x	x						x
Andesite			x	x				x
Dacite	x			x	x			x
Rhyolite			x		x		x	x

Table 4. Mineralogy and distribution of amygdules in the extrusive rocks of Amila Island.

Rock Type	Mineralogy						
	Chloro- phaeite	Calcite	Chlorite ite?	Natro- pumpel- lyite?	Quartz	Smeectite	Zeolites (undiff.)
Basalt	x	x	x		x	x	x
Basaltic andesite			x	x			x
Andesite					x	x	x
Dacite						x	
Rhyolite					x		x

Table 1. This section pertains to igneous rocks of Hale Island. Compositions are given in volume percent. Phenocrysts plus groundmass components represent primary minerals. Alteration components percentages are from petrographic analysis. Note: counts, 360 per thin section.

No. Sample	Rock Type	Textural	Phenocrysts (%)		Groundmass		Filling		Alteration (%)		Groundmass		Alteration (%)		Remarks	
			Component	Percent	Component	Percent	Material	Percent	Component	Percent	Component	Percent	Component	Percent		
1. 77b-5-1	Basaltic andesite	Intermediate	Plagioclase	17	Plagioclase	47	Quartz	7	Amphibole	36	Plagioclase	12	Amphibole	36	Dlx, 20 black, 20 count of island. Plagioclase is glomerophytic with light brown to neutral. Altered opx and totally altered opt(1), and is extremely rounded glass is totally altered.	
			Orthopyroxene(?)	1	Glass	26	Quartz	0	Chlorite	7	Glass	0	Chlorite	0		
			Chlorite	0	Chlorite	0	Quartz	0	Chlorite	0	Chlorite	0	Chlorite	0		
Total 2)			98		73		7		43		100					
2. 77b-5-2	Basalt	Intermediate	Plagioclase	30	Plagioclase	22	Chlorophane(?)	10	Amphibole	28	Plagioclase	23	Amphibole	28	Flow rock glass is volcanic breccia, 30 count of island. Plagioclase is unit phytic and is highly moltenized - long across cracks opx is fresh, neutral in color, and unit phytic opt(1) is totally altered and unit phytic glass is totally altered.	
			Orthopyroxene	1	Chlorite	14	Quartz	0	Chlorite	16	Chlorophane	1	Chlorite	1		
			Chlorite	0	Quartz	0	Quartz	0	Quartz	0	Quartz	0	Quartz	0		
Total 2)			31		36		10		46		100					
3. 77b-5-3	Basalt	Intermediate	Plagioclase	25	Plagioclase	15	Quartz	20	Amphibole	19	Plagioclase	44	Amphibole	19	Glass is volcanic breccia described above. Plagioclase is unit phytic, extremely rounded and moltenized - long across cracks opx and unit phytic opt(1) is totally altered and unit phytic opt(2) is totally altered. Glass is totally altered.	
			Orthopyroxene	1	Chlorite	16	Quartz	0	Chlorite	11	Chlorophane	1	Chlorite	11		
			Chlorite	0	Quartz	0	Quartz	0	Quartz	0	Quartz	0	Quartz	0		
Total 2)			26		36		20		46		100					
4. 77b-5-2	Andesite	Basaltic	Plagioclase	31	Glass	34	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	Flow glass, individual pliom - 1-20 is 45A, 30 count of island. Plagioclase is glomerophytic with itself, orthopyroxene, opx, opt(1), and opt. is rarely unit phytic, is kaolinitized and sauritized, orthoclase(?) is glomerophytic, and altered opx is fresh, yellowish to greenish neutral in color, is usually glomerophytic but also rarely unit phytic; opt(1) is glomerophytic and locally altered; opt is microglomerophytic; matrix phases are largely microclitic, set in highly altered quartz-enchained glass.	
			Orthopyroxene	2	Quartz	19	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None		None
			Chlorite	0	Quartz	0	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None		None
Total 2)			33		53		None		None		None					
5. 77b-5-3	Andesite	Basaltic	Plagioclase	10	Glass	41	Quartz	5	Amphibole	46	Glass	11	Amphibole	46	Matrix flow interbedded with coarse breccia, 30 count of island. Plagioclase is glomerophytic with fresh, partly moltenized opx and totally altered opt(1) glass is totally altered.	
			Orthopyroxene	1	Plagioclase	21	Quartz	0	Quartz	10	Plagioclase	6	Quartz	6		
			Chlorite	0	Chlorite	3	Quartz	0	Quartz	0	Chlorite	0	Chlorite	0		
Total 2)			11		62		5		66		100					

1) Chemical classification of Irvine and Aggar (1971), remainder are classified petrographically.

2) The counts + groundmass + vesicles = 100% - 1) Normalized percentages where vesicles percentages are 1% typical alteration of all phases.

3) Distal igneous sills phenocrysts from clastic breccia.

Table 4. cont'd.

8. 779-46	Basaltic subvolcanic	Amorphous Lunar material	13 Plagioclase Clinopyroxene Orthoclase(?) Orthopyroxene(?) Ore Quartz Orthopyroxene(?) Total	31 Basaltite 15 13 7 6 3 1 1	2 Basaltite	28 Basaltite Clinopyroxene Orthopyroxene(?) Ore Total	19 Plagioclase Clinopyroxene Orthopyroxene(?) Ore Total	32 Plagioclase Orthopyroxene(?) Glass Clinopyroxene Ore Basaltite(?) Total	37 Orthoclase Basaltite Pseudophenocryst Limonite Basaltite Total	12 Glass, opx(?) Class Plagioclase Ore Basaltite(?) Total	Dike, about 40 cm. in diam. at coast of island. Plagioclase and orthoclase(?) are most phytic and also often glomerophytic with each other, and also with very fresh, pale magmatic yellow rims and totally altered opx(?) glass is totally altered.
9. 779-47	Basalt	Hydrophilic	15 Plagioclase Clinopyroxene Orthopyroxene(?) Ore Total	25 Basaltite 13 11 6 1	28 Basaltite	28 Basaltite Clinopyroxene Orthopyroxene(?) Ore Total	19 Plagioclase Clinopyroxene Orthopyroxene(?) Ore Total	32 Plagioclase Orthopyroxene(?) Glass Clinopyroxene Ore Basaltite(?) Total	37 Orthoclase Basaltite Pseudophenocryst Limonite Basaltite Total	12 Glass, opx(?) Class Plagioclase Ore Basaltite(?) Total	Pillow lava breccia. Entire rim coast of island. Plagioclase and orthoclase(?) are most phytic with fresh, magmatic-colored rims, and includes glass, opx(?) is most phytic and totally altered. Glass is totally altered.
10. 779-48	Basalt	Lunar material	34 Plagioclase Orthopyroxene(?) Clinopyroxene Ore Total	21 Plagioclase Clinopyroxene Glass Ore Total	1 Orthoclase Basaltite	1 Plagioclase Orthopyroxene(?) Clinopyroxene Ore Total	30 Plagioclase Orthopyroxene(?) Glass Ore Total	33 Basaltite Basaltite Basaltite Basaltite Total	30 Opx(?) Glass Orthopyroxene(?) Plagioclase	30 Plagioclase Orthopyroxene(?) Clinopyroxene(?) Plagioclase	Pillow lava, extreme rim coast of island. Plagioclase is glomerophytic with itself and with opx, and includes glass, opx(?) is glomerophytic with itself or with opx only, and is totally altered to calcite rimmed with amorphous glass is totally altered, fresh textures in locally hydrophilic (around vesicles).
11. 779-49	Basalt	Basophilic to lunar material	27 Plagioclase Orthopyroxene(?) Clinopyroxene Ore Total	27 Basaltite 16 16 3 1	2 Basaltite	2 Plagioclase Orthopyroxene(?) Clinopyroxene Ore Total	20 Plagioclase Orthopyroxene(?) Glass Ore Total	36 Basaltite Basaltite Basaltite Basaltite Total	31 Glass, opx(?) Orthopyroxene(?) Plagioclase	31 Top of island flow, some locally as above. Plagioclase mostly with phytic, in strongly rounded and locally tabular forms of 1% in glomerophytic with opx and includes glass, opx is either tabular phytic or is glomerophytic with totally altered opx(?), rare amorphous opx are glomerophytic with each other only and show evidence of reabsorption glass is totally altered.	
12. 779-50	Basalt	Basophilic	3 Plagioclase Clinopyroxene Ore Total	33 Basaltite 16 2 1	1 Basaltite	1 Plagioclase Orthopyroxene(?) Ore Total	2 Plagioclase Orthopyroxene(?) Ore Total	53 Basaltite Basaltite Basaltite Basaltite Total	33 Glass Glass Plagioclase Plagioclase Total	33 Residual flow with columnar jointing, small amount of plagioclase and orthoclase(?) are glomerophytic with each other and with the other phytic phases as well; opx is mostly altered, quite fresh, opx is totally altered, glass is totally altered, apatite observed in the matrix.	

Table 5. cont.

Sample ID	Rock Type	Plagioclase	Orthopyroxene	Chlorophane	Amphibole	Pyroxene	Quartz	Ilmenite	Spinel	Other	Total	Notes
11. 779-2-10	Andesite	Plagioclase	Orthopyroxene	Chlorophane	Amphibole	Pyroxene	Quartz	Ilmenite	Spinel	Other	Total	Clear is volcanic breccia, some locality as above. Plagioclase and rare orthopyroxene(?) are vit. pyritic and also infrequently glomerophytic with each other and with other pyritic phases, cpx. Along with other pyritic phases, locally frequently subhedral, anhedral to euhedral, and often lath-like and acicular, cpx is almost totally altered; glass is extensively altered and crowded with aphanitic microlites.
12. 779-2-11	Basaltic	Plagioclase	Orthopyroxene	Chlorophane	Amphibole	Pyroxene	Quartz	Ilmenite	Spinel	Other	Total	Massive silt, 3 m thick, south side of island in first bay, west of Bay Point. Slightly altered plagioclase is highly pyritic with locally acicular(?) fresh subhedral. Yellowish-brown orthopyroxene and amphibole are associated with the op(?) subhedral quartz is abundant in the matrix.
13. 779-2-12	Basaltic	Plagioclase	Orthopyroxene	Chlorophane	Amphibole	Pyroxene	Quartz	Ilmenite	Spinel	Other	Total	Massive silt, same as 11-12. Plagioclase is glomerophytic with itself or with fresh, acicular, micro-colored cpx, locally altered op(?), and rarely with subhedral (?) quartz in abundance. Interstitially is the groundmass.
14. 779-2-13	Basaltic	Plagioclase	Orthopyroxene	Chlorophane	Amphibole	Pyroxene	Quartz	Ilmenite	Spinel	Other	Total	Massive silt, same as 11-12. Plagioclase is glomerophytic with fresh, acicular, micro-colored cpx, locally altered op(?) and totally altered op(?). Opagans display two distinct grain sizes; matrix texture is microitic in part; quartz occurs as tiny blades disseminated abundantly through the groundmass.
15. 779-2-14	Basaltic	Plagioclase	Orthopyroxene	Chlorophane	Amphibole	Pyroxene	Quartz	Ilmenite	Spinel	Other	Total	Massive flow, lower part of first flow from bay west of Bay Point. Plagioclase is glomerophytic with ora and almost colorless cpx, and is highly altered and locally lath-like. Op(?) is locally altered and almost exclusively glomerophytic with cpx; matrix phases are almost microitic and the ore phases range from granular to granular to lath-like distinct grain sizes; matrix op(?) is totally altered and difficult to distinguish from locally altered glass; quartz appears as blades in the glass.

Table 4-cont.

Sample No.	Sample Description	Plagioclase	Orthopyroxene	Pyroxene	Quartz	Other	Total	Matrix	Mineral	Other	Notes
16. 779-9-28	Amphibolite (?)	Amphibolite	Amphibolite	Amphibolite	Amphibolite	Amphibolite	Amphibolite	Amphibolite	Amphibolite	Amphibolite	Amphibolite
17. 779-9-29	Amphibolite	Amphibolite	Amphibolite	Amphibolite	Amphibolite	Amphibolite	Amphibolite	Amphibolite	Amphibolite	Amphibolite	Amphibolite
18. 779-9-30	Amphibolite	Amphibolite	Amphibolite	Amphibolite	Amphibolite	Amphibolite	Amphibolite	Amphibolite	Amphibolite	Amphibolite	Amphibolite
19. 779-9-31	Amphibolite	Amphibolite	Amphibolite	Amphibolite	Amphibolite	Amphibolite	Amphibolite	Amphibolite	Amphibolite	Amphibolite	Amphibolite



Table 16 cont.

24. 779-11-44 Basalt (?)	1	Chlorite Chlorophanite Muscovite(?)	1	Plagioclase Orthopyroxene(?)	36	Plagioclase Clinopyroxene Glass Ore Orthopyroxene(?) Quartz 100	30	Chlorite Calcite Kalicite(?) Limonite Plagioclase Muscovite(?) Kaliolite	5	Opal(?) Opal(?) Ore Deuteric Plagioclase Deuteric Plagioclase	6	Massive flow from east side of Chalques Bay, north side of island. Plagioclase is massively glomerophytic with small and fine, locally altered opal(?). Locally matrix phases are locally altered plagioclase, and is locally altered and sericitized; matrix plagioclase is also altered and locally altered. Ore is alkaline to deuteric in aspect and is highly altered; glass is locally altered.
25. 779-11-48 Basalt (?)	1	Chlorite Chlorophanite Muscovite(?)	1	Plagioclase Orthopyroxene(?)	36	Plagioclase Clinopyroxene Glass Ore Orthopyroxene(?) Quartz 100	30	Chlorite Calcite Kalicite(?) Limonite Plagioclase Muscovite(?) Kaliolite	5	Opal(?) Opal(?) Ore Deuteric Plagioclase Deuteric Plagioclase	6	Massive flow from east side of Chalques Bay, north side of island. Plagioclase is massively glomerophytic with small and fine, locally altered opal(?). Locally matrix phases are locally altered plagioclase, and is locally altered and sericitized; matrix plagioclase is also altered and locally altered. Ore is alkaline to deuteric in aspect and is highly altered; glass is locally altered.
26. 779-11-48 Basalt (?)	1	Chlorite Chlorophanite Muscovite(?)	1	Plagioclase Orthopyroxene(?)	36	Plagioclase Clinopyroxene Glass Ore Orthopyroxene(?) Quartz 100	30	Chlorite Calcite Kalicite(?) Limonite Plagioclase Muscovite(?) Kaliolite	5	Opal(?) Opal(?) Ore Deuteric Plagioclase Deuteric Plagioclase	6	Massive flow from east side of Chalques Bay, north side of island. Plagioclase is massively glomerophytic with small and fine, locally altered opal(?). Locally matrix phases are locally altered plagioclase, and is locally altered and sericitized; matrix plagioclase is also altered and locally altered. Ore is alkaline to deuteric in aspect and is highly altered; glass is locally altered.
27. 779-11-48 Basalt (?)	1	Chlorite Chlorophanite Muscovite(?)	1	Plagioclase Orthopyroxene(?)	36	Plagioclase Clinopyroxene Glass Ore Orthopyroxene(?) Quartz 100	30	Chlorite Calcite Kalicite(?) Limonite Plagioclase Muscovite(?) Kaliolite	5	Opal(?) Opal(?) Ore Deuteric Plagioclase Deuteric Plagioclase	6	Massive flow from east side of Chalques Bay, north side of island. Plagioclase is massively glomerophytic with small and fine, locally altered opal(?). Locally matrix phases are locally altered plagioclase, and is locally altered and sericitized; matrix plagioclase is also altered and locally altered. Ore is alkaline to deuteric in aspect and is highly altered; glass is locally altered.
28. 779-11-48 Basalt (?)	1	Chlorite Chlorophanite Muscovite(?)	1	Plagioclase Orthopyroxene(?)	36	Plagioclase Clinopyroxene Glass Ore Orthopyroxene(?) Quartz 100	30	Chlorite Calcite Kalicite(?) Limonite Plagioclase Muscovite(?) Kaliolite	5	Opal(?) Opal(?) Ore Deuteric Plagioclase Deuteric Plagioclase	6	Massive flow from east side of Chalques Bay, north side of island. Plagioclase is massively glomerophytic with small and fine, locally altered opal(?). Locally matrix phases are locally altered plagioclase, and is locally altered and sericitized; matrix plagioclase is also altered and locally altered. Ore is alkaline to deuteric in aspect and is highly altered; glass is locally altered.





Table 5, cont.

Sample ID	Sample Description	Plagioclase	Orthopyroxene	Cl	Opx	Qtz	Ilm	Py	Spinel	Other	Total	Notes
31. 779-12-18(1) basal	intergranular plagioclase to subhedral orthopyroxene(?)	30	3	10	16	10					77	Cl: 10 to 15% glass, small, mostly about 10 microns. Plagioclase is mostly altered, with some orthopyroxene. Some orthopyroxene is fresh, matrix-colored. Opx which are both sub-phryic and glomerophytic also have matrix and phryic plagioclase display minor resorption. Some orthopyroxene, which is subhedral, is matrix-colored. Plagioclase is totally altered.
32. 779-12-18(2) basal	microclitic (amagmatic) plagioclase	25	3	24	20	5					77	Cl: 10 to 15% glass, small, mostly about 10 microns. Plagioclase is mostly altered, with some orthopyroxene. Some orthopyroxene is fresh, matrix-colored. Opx which are both sub-phryic and glomerophytic also have matrix and phryic plagioclase display minor resorption. Some orthopyroxene, which is subhedral, is matrix-colored. Plagioclase is totally altered.
33. 779-12-20 basal 1	plagioclase	34	3	37	18	5					100	Cl: 10 to 15% glass, small, mostly about 10 microns. Plagioclase is mostly altered, with some orthopyroxene. Some orthopyroxene is fresh, matrix-colored. Opx which are both sub-phryic and glomerophytic also have matrix and phryic plagioclase display minor resorption. Some orthopyroxene, which is subhedral, is matrix-colored. Plagioclase is totally altered.
34. 779-12-20 basal 2	plagioclase	34	3	37	18	5					100	Cl: 10 to 15% glass, small, mostly about 10 microns. Plagioclase is mostly altered, with some orthopyroxene. Some orthopyroxene is fresh, matrix-colored. Opx which are both sub-phryic and glomerophytic also have matrix and phryic plagioclase display minor resorption. Some orthopyroxene, which is subhedral, is matrix-colored. Plagioclase is totally altered.

Table 3. cont.

Sample ID	Bedrock	Metamorphic Grade	Mineralogy	Modal (%)	Textural Features	Alteration	Notes
77-13-4	Bedrock	Diagenetic to diagenetic	Plagioclase, Chlorite, Orthopyroxene(?)	35 11 10 2	Microcline, Biotite	Plagioclase, Chlorite, Orthopyroxene, Garnet, Biotite, Amphibole, Pyroxene, Quartz, Calcite, Chlorite, Chlorophanite	Massive flow along north side of Mt. 1132. Much of cl. is highly veiled and is glomerular with fresh, unaltered sp. op. (?) is white phytic and locally altered; matrix phases are microcline except for op. (?) which is larger than the others; glass is locally altered.
77-13-10B	Bedrock (?)	Diagenetic	Plagioclase, Chlorite, Orthopyroxene(?)	18 14 15 9	Chlorite	Plagioclase, Class, phlo., Chlorophanite, Amphibole, Chlorite, Pumpellyite(?) Biotite(?)	Massive flow from north side of Mt. 1132. Much of also glomerular with neutral-colored sp. and locally altered op. (?). Includes much locally altered glass, and displays incipient to intense veiling. Amphibole, and actinolite(?) op. (?) is usually with microphytic matrix phases are generally microcline glass is locally altered.
77-13-10C	Bedrock	Diagenetic	Plagioclase, Chlorite, Orthopyroxene, Garnet	32 18 14 7	Amphibole, Chlorite	Amphibole, Chlorite, Pumpellyite(?) Biotite(?)	Massive flow from north side of Mt. 1132. Much of also glomerular with neutral-colored sp. and locally altered op. (?). Includes much locally altered glass, and displays incipient to intense veiling. Amphibole, and actinolite(?) op. (?) is usually with microphytic matrix phases are generally microcline glass is locally altered.
77-13-14	Bedrock	Diagenetic	Plagioclase, Chlorite, Orthopyroxene, Garnet	38 20 10 1	Amphibole, Chlorite	Amphibole, Chlorite, Pumpellyite(?) Biotite(?)	Massive flow from north side of Mt. 1132. Much of also glomerular with neutral-colored sp. and locally altered op. (?). Includes much locally altered glass, and displays incipient to intense veiling. Amphibole, and actinolite(?) op. (?) is usually with microphytic matrix phases are generally microcline glass is locally altered.

Table 3. cont.

41. 779-14-10	Basalt	Microitic intersertal to intersertal	Plagioclase Clinopyroxene Orthopyroxene(?) Olivine(?) Ore Total 2)	25 9 2 1 1 100+	Plagioclase Clinopyroxene Glass Ore Orthopyroxene(?) Olivine(?) Total	25 25 5 4 1 1	Chlorophanite Zeolite	2 1	Plagioclase Clinopyroxene Orthopyroxene(?) Olivine(?) Ore Total	25 9 2 1 1 100+	Plagioclase Clinopyroxene Clinopyroxene Olivine(?) Ore Total	26 26 5 4 1 100+	Chlorophanite Glass, opa(?) Olivine(?) Plagioclase Opa(?) Bericite(?) Plagioclase	7 5 5 1 1 1	Clast in volcanic breccia, same location as 14-1A. Plagioclase is unit phytic, strongly zoned, rimmed with fresh, corded with kaolinized and sericitized(?) feldspar, and includes much altered glass; cpx is neutral in color, is usually unit phytic, and often includes matrix phases; ore is microphyric and includes, or is included by cpx crystals; opa(?) and olivine(?) are totally altered, usually unit phytic, rarely glomerophytic; matrix phases display several distinct grain sizes each and are set in rather fresh, brownish glass.
42. 779-14-2A	Basalt	Intersectal	Plagioclase Clinopyroxene Clinopyroxene Ore Total 2)	14 5 10 3 101	Glass Plagioclase Clinopyroxene Ore Total	11 18 10 3 102	Chlorite Zeolite	14 1	Plagioclase Clinopyroxene Total	34 8 102	Glass Plagioclase Clinopyroxene Ore Total	24 21 12 2 102	Chlorophanite Glass, (deuteric) Plagioclase Chlorite (deuteric) Zeolite Bericite(?) Plagioclase	21 10 4 2 1	Dike near Tody Point, north side of island. Plagioclase is usually glomerophytic with itself, less often with cpx, is generally rimmed with fresh feldspar, includes much totally altered glass, and displays intense kaolinization and sericitization; cpx is neutral in color and microphyric, the crystals often poikilolithically enclosed in larger plagioclases; grain sizes and textures display extreme variation within the section; glass is totally altered.
43. 779-14-4A	Basalt	Intersectal	Plagioclase Clinopyroxene Orthopyroxene(?) Olivine(?) Total 2)	23 3 1 11 100+	Glass Clinopyroxene Plagioclase Ore Total	21 19 15 5 100+	Empty	2	Plagioclase Clinopyroxene Orthopyroxene(?) Olivine(?) Total	24 3 1 1 100+	Glass Clinopyroxene Plagioclase Ore Total	12 20 15 5 100+	Chlorophanite Glass, opa(?), olivine Pumpellyite(?) Zeolite Opa(?) Bericite Plagioclase	17 15 4 1 1	Massive flow base along west side of first major bay west of Hungry Bay. Plagioclase is generally glomerophytic with itself and cpx, and is strongly zoned and altered; cpx is neutral in color and is sometimes poikilolithically enclosed by plagioclase; opa(?) and olivine(?) are totally altered and micro (frequently glomerophytic with themselves only than with other phytic phases; matrix phases are microitic to very granular in form; glass is totally altered.
44. 779-14-4B	Basalt	Microphytic	Plagioclase Clinopyroxene Ore Orthopyroxene(?) Total 2)	15 13 2 1 100+	Glass Plagioclase Quartz Ore Clinopyroxene Total	28 4 4 2 1 100+	Largely lined with quartz, microitic	2	Plagioclase Clinopyroxene Ore Orthopyroxene(?) Total	45 12 2 1 100+	Glass Plagioclase Quartz Ore Clinopyroxene Total	28 4 4 2 1 100+	Microite Glass	28	Flow interior, same location as 14-4A. Plagioclase is glomerophytic with itself, opa, and ore, or is rarely unit phytic, and includes much glass; cpx is neutral in color and glomerophytic with other phytic phases except opa(?); ore is microphyric, is often included in pyroxenes, and displays a characteristic skeletal aspect; matrix phases generally display several distinct grain sizes each; glass is totally altered; quartz occurs as blasp-like bodies in the glass.





Table 6. Representative microprobe analyses of plagioclase, Amlia Island volcanic rocks. David Clague and Walter Friesen, Analysts.

	779-14-25A (Gabbro)				779-7-6B (Basalt)			
	1	2	3	4	PC1	PC2	PC3	PC4
SiO <sub>2</sub>	46.88	45.95	47.98	48.29	48.33	47.84	46.75	50.83
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	33.52	33.90	32.61	32.34	32.62	33.07	34.33	31.10
FeO <sub>T</sub>	0.66	0.66	0.82	0.79	0.93	0.91	0.88	0.95
CaO	18.10	18.63	16.60	17.25	16.20	16.58	16.77	14.65
Na <sub>2</sub> O	1.32	1.01	1.84	1.87	2.11	2.11	2.07	3.22
K <sub>2</sub> O	0.03	0.04	0.06	0.05	0.08	0.07	0.06	0.11
Total	100.51	100.19	99.91	100.59	100.26	100.58	100.86	100.86
Atomic proportions, O = 8								
Si	2.152	2.120	2.207	2.211	2.215	2.190	2.138	2.306
Al	1.814	1.844	1.768	1.745	1.762	1.784	1.851	1.663
Fe <sup>+2</sup>	0.025	0.026	0.032	0.030	0.036	0.035	0.034	0.036
Ca	0.890	0.921	0.818	0.846	0.796	0.813	0.822	0.712
Na	0.117	0.091	0.164	0.166	0.187	0.187	0.183	0.283
K	0.002	0.002	0.003	0.003	0.005	0.004	0.003	0.006
Or, mol%	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.6
Ab, mol%	11.6	9.0	16.7	16.4	18.9	18.6	18.2	28.3
An, mol%	88.2	90.8	83.0	83.3	80.6	81.0	81.5	71.1

Table 6. (Continued)

	779-11-4A (Basalt)		779-15-1C (Basalt)			779-11-2 (Basalt)		
	1	2	PC1	PC2	PC3	PC1	PC2	PC3
SiO <sub>2</sub>	48.81	48.43	49.69	54.26	49.79	45.22	50.18	52.76
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	32.39	32.40	32.11	28.87	31.66	35.44	32.10	29.91
FeO <sub>T</sub>	0.65	0.63	0.92	0.69	0.92	0.75	0.94	0.86
CaO	17.47	17.05	14.86	11.28	14.57	17.88	14.51	13.29
Na <sub>2</sub> O	1.69	1.83	3.01	4.99	2.87	1.23	3.05	3.93
K <sub>2</sub> O	0.06	0.06	0.08	0.12	0.06	0.03	0.10	0.14
Total	101.07	100.40	100.67	100.21	99.87	100.55	100.88	100.89
Atomic proportions, O = 8								
Si	2.221	2.217	2.261	2.451	2.279	2.078	2.275	2.381
Al	1.737	1.748	1.722	1.537	1.708	1.920	1.715	1.591
Fe <sup>+2</sup>	0.025	0.024	0.035	0.026	0.035	0.029	0.036	0.032
Ca	0.851	0.836	0.725	0.546	0.715	0.880	0.705	0.642
Na	0.149	0.162	0.266	0.437	0.255	0.110	0.268	0.344
K	0.003	0.004	0.004	0.007	0.004	0.002	0.006	0.008
Or, mol%	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.7	0.4	0.2	0.6	0.8
Ab, mol%	14.9	16.2	26.7	44.1	26.2	11.1	27.4	34.6
An, mol%	84.8	83.4	72.9	55.2	73.4	88.7	72.0	64.6



Table 6. (Continued)

	779-9-1B (Bas. Andesite)		779-14-4B (Bas. Andesite)			
	PC1	PC2	PC1	PC2	PC3	PC4
SiO <sub>2</sub>	50.83	54.23	50.49	46.89	50.23	50.74
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	31.10	28.48	29.28	32.59	30.45	29.54
FeO <sub>T</sub>	0.95	0.84	1.04	0.86	1.16	1.05
CaO	14.65	10.98	13.73	17.62	14.25	13.42
Na <sub>2</sub> O	3.22	5.14	3.63	1.47	3.22	3.73
K <sub>2</sub> O	0.11	0.12	0.13	0.05	0.11	0.14
Total	100.86	99.79	98.30	99.48	99.42	98.62
Atomic proportions, O = 8						
Si	2.306	2.461	2.349	2.175	2.313	2.351
Al	1.663	1.523	1.606	1.782	1.653	1.614
Fe <sup>+2</sup>	0.036	0.032	0.040	0.033	0.045	0.040
Ca	0.712	0.534	0.685	0.876	0.703	0.665
Na	0.283	0.452	0.328	0.132	0.288	0.335
K	0.006	0.007	0.008	0.003	0.006	0.008
Or, mol%	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.3	0.6	0.8
Ab, mol%	28.3	45.5	32.1	13.1	28.9	33.2
An, mol%	71.1	53.8	67.1	86.6	70.5	66.0

Table 6. (Continued).

	779-8-1B (Andesite)				779-9-3B (Rhyolite)	
	PC1	PC2	PC3	PC4	PC1	PC2
SiO <sub>2</sub>	54.98	55.61	54.55	55.21	56.54	56.17
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	28.28	27.64	28.74	28.09	27.41	27.40
FeO <sub>T</sub>	0.63	0.62	0.63	0.60	0.63	0.58
CaO	11.76	10.61	10.80	10.45	8.89	9.57
Na <sub>2</sub> O	4.75	5.22	5.21	5.17	6.11	5.74
K <sub>2</sub> O	0.20	0.32	0.25	0.57	0.13	0.13
Total	100.60	100.02	100.18	100.09	99.71	99.59
Atomic proportions, O = 8						
Si	2.474	2.510	2.463	2.493	2.547	2.536
Al	1.500	1.470	1.529	1.495	1.455	1.458
Fe <sup>+2</sup>	0.024	0.023	0.024	0.023	0.024	0.022
Ca	0.567	0.513	0.522	0.506	0.429	0.463
Na	0.414	0.457	0.456	0.453	0.534	0.502
K	0.024	0.018	0.014	0.033	0.008	0.022
Or, mol%	2.4	1.8	1.4	3.3	0.8	2.2
Ab, mol%	41.2	46.3	46.0	45.7	55.0	50.9
An, mol%	56.4	51.9	52.6	51.0	44.2	46.9

rich sanidine in composition. They are, in general, rarely phanocrystalline and are, when phaneritic, mostly very highly altered. The clinopyroxene is generally augite, often displaying a black or greenish-black color in hand specimen and, usually, a neutral color in thin section. Optically, they yield inclined extinctions to about  $45^\circ$ , with an axial angle (2E) of about  $60^\circ$ . They often include acicular microlites of apatite, characteristic of tholeiitic differentiation. Orthopyroxene (rarely unaltered) is, in general, iron-poor hypersthene. It is faintly pleochroic from pale pink to pale green and generally yields an axial angle (2E) of about  $65^\circ$ , indicating the presence of about 30 percent ferrosilite end-member. No fresh olivine was observed in any of the Amlia samples, but some of the basalts have calcite pseudomorphs bearing the rhombic aspect of olivine crystals. Ore phases occur as phenocrysts in nearly all the Amlia igneous rocks. Phenocrysts of elongate orthogonal and large hexagonal aspect often display gray reflectance with a violet tint, and are often altered peripherally and internally to leucoxene. Cubic and rhombic ore phases generally display gray reflectance with a bluish tint. Some of these phases have altered superficially to leucoxene and hematite. More have altered to hematite alone. Some are so completely altered to hematite that they are uniformly translucent in blood-red hues. The primary mineral phases present in the ores are probably magnetite, titanomagnetite, and ilmenite. Quartz does not occur as phenocrysts in the rocks of Amlia Island, yet it is a constituent in many samples where it often appears as an anhedral groundmass phase. More frequently, quartz appears as microscopic to submicroscopic rounded blebs that apparently crystallized from glass. Primary biotite(?) was observed only in a gabbro sample from a small hypabyssal intrusion exposed on the north side of Hungry Bay. All other biotite(?) observed appears to be secondary. Primary amphibole was noted only in a tonalite sample from a sill exposed at the first bay east of Sharp Point.

It appears from the mineralogy observed in thin section, hand specimen, and in the field that the igneous rocks of Amlia Island were derived from magmas of calc-alkaline and tholeiitic character. They are not characteristic of olivine-rich mid-ocean ridge petrogenesis nor of the silica-poor, alkali-olivine basalts associated with Hawaiian-type island chains. The simple and rather continuous primary mineralogy of calcic plagioclase, augite, and hypersthene, iron-titanium oxide ore phases, apatite, and rather rare quartz suggests island arc or continental margin-type volcanism.

There is considerable evidence in thin section indicating that crystallization occurred close to the liquidus and that some wallrock or earlier crystallizing phases were incorporated in the magmas that formed the Amlia rocks. Most of the rocks, even the intrusive ones, are glomerophyric, and usually bear numerous isolated phenocrysts as well. Orthopyroxene is least commonly glomerophyric and occurs as small euhedra. Perhaps this indicates initial slow cooling and stable conditions as crystallization began in the magma chamber or chambers, allowing the uninhibited crystallization of the orthopyroxene in a rather viscous melt. Plagioclase, too, is frequently an isolated phenocryst, as are clinopyroxene and the ore phases. Rarely, however, are any of the last three phases euhedral, and they often show evidence of resorption. Plagioclase and clinopyroxene frequently display strong zonation, indicating later changes in magmatic composition. Often, all four major phenocryst phases are found grown together in small clusters of half-a-dozen to a dozen crystals. In sample 0-1B, a few gabbroic xenolith-like clusters were observed suspended in a much finer-grained groundmass.

These observations suggest much crystal settling with subsequent disturbance and mobilization of crystals in the magma, accompanied by influxes of material (perhaps by stoping of wall rock) of different composition. Plagioclase and clinopyroxene often include numerous blebs of glass, indicating rapid crystal growth and resorption. Groundmass phases are often included in feldspar and clinopyroxene phenocrysts, indicating late, rapid, phenocryst growth.

Ongoing magmatic activity was likely responsible for the low-grade metamorphism of the Amlia rocks. The rocks have been hydrothermally altered, beginning with ubiquitous smectitization and proceeding through the rarer and more isolated saussuritization. The exposed stratigraphic sequence on Amlia is cut by numerous dikes, sills, and small, stock-like hypabyssal intrusions composed of rocks similar in composition to their hosts. Since different types of alteration such as smectitization, sericitization, kaolinitization, zeolitization, and calcitization are virtually ubiquitous throughout the island, and rather uniform in their effect, it may be suggested that several types of metasomatic activity probably were at work through space and time and were rather regional in scope. McLean and others (1981) proposed batholithic-scale intrusion in the region of nearby Atka Island as the source for the generalized heating, deformation, and exhalative activities responsible for the alteration of the Amlia rocks, and localized intrusion by feeders to supply the higher temperatures and fluids necessary for saussuritization and intense zeolitization. Some of these same, or at least similar, plutons may extend beneath the outcrops on Amlia Island.

Apparently, the first phases to be altered in the rocks were olivine and orthopyroxene. They are typically altered to calcite or calcite and smectites. The alteration, sometimes only patchy, is least severe in rocks from the southeast end of the island. This is typically where the youngest rocks are exposed. Perhaps the earliest fluids migrating through the rocks were rich in  $\text{CO}_2$ ,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , silicon, calcium, sodium, and aluminum. In several rocks from western Amlia, calcite replacement of orthopyroxene was succeeded by alkali-rich smectite and then by alkali-iron smectite (chlorophaeite) in successive rims.

Ore phases display minor to total alteration throughout the exposed volcanic pile. The principal alteration products are hematite and leucoxene. Heating, and changes in water vapor pressure due to magma chamber breaching, together with freely-migrating oxygen in hydrothermal fluids, could account for the partial-to-total oxidation of the ore phases to hematite and anatase(?) (leucoxene) that is frequently seen in the Amlia rocks. Alteration of the ores to hematite is seen in all Amlia rocks, but is most intense and complete in samples from the north central coast. Leucoxene alteration is apparent only in the eastern three-quarters of the island, with the greatest intensity observed in rocks from the north central coast.

Clinopyroxene and its included apatite are the least altered of all the phases encountered in the Amlia rocks. Although frequently rather deformed, sector-zoned, resorbed, and internally granulated, clinopyroxene generally stands out fresh amid its more altered neighbors. Although alteration of clinopyroxene is infrequent, the usual products are smectite, pumpellyite, or amphibole. The amphibolization may represent deuteric alteration. The alteration is most apparent in the intrusive rocks and in the more acidic rocks subjected to the highest metamorphic grades.

Plagioclase and potash feldspar display a broad range of alteration, from the most superficial (as in 9-3A) to total replacement (as in 13-4). The least altered feldspar occurs in a dacite pillow lava from the east end of Amlia, whereas the most altered feldspar (zeolitized) occurs in a massive basalt flow near the northwest end of the island. The most ubiquitous alterations of both plagioclase and potash feldspar are sericitization and kaolinitization. These alterations may be seen to a greater or lesser extent throughout the volcanic pile. Sericite(?) occurs most abundantly in some of the intrusive rocks of the island and in their volcanic host rocks. Kaolinitization of the feldspars is also generalized, but spottier in intensity than the sericitization. The basic trend, however, follows that of the sericite: more intense kaolinitization in the rocks of western and northern Amlia, more intense kaolinitization in certain intrusive rocks and their volcanic hosts, and more intense kaolinitization associated with rocks subjected to higher metamorphic grade. Zeolitization is frequently observed in the feldspars, particularly in the rocks from the north and west of Amlia. Zeolitization of the feldspars is generally much localized (i.e., to obvious zones of hydrothermal activity). The feldspars of the volcanic breccias are characteristically the most zeolitized. Zeolitization occurs first along fractures, then proceeds to included glass, and finally moves to total replacement. Smectitization, rare in the feldspars, sometimes accompanies zeolitization. This suggests hydration and ion-exchange by fluid migration through the rocks. The feldspars themselves are infrequently saussuritized, although epidote, pumpellyite, and prehnite are occasionally observed as alteration products. Here, higher grade metamorphism associated with magmatic intrusion and concomittent circulation of hydrothermal fluids rich in iron, calcium, magnesium, aluminum, silicon, and hydroxyl ions is apparent. Albitization was not observed in the Amlia rocks. The groundmass feldspars are generally too calcic, typically skeletal, and retain their twinned forms. Also, temperatures of metamorphism appear to be too low to generate secondary albite.

The rocks of Amlia Island were highly glassy. The greatest spectrum of alteration is to be found in the glasses. Devitrification is usually total in all the rocks. There are a few curiously-spaced exceptions! The glasses are most often altered to zeolites and smectites. In certain instances, however, the metamorphic grade was higher. Heat and migrating hydrothermal fluids produced less common phases from the glasses such as biotite(?), celadonite, chlorite, hematite, magnetite(?), and pumpellyite. In one such intensely altered rhyolite flow from near Cape Idalug on Amlia's north central coast (sample 11-6C), as much as fifty percent of the alteration is bright green celadonite. Associated alteration minerals (quartz, goethite, manganic oxide(?), and sericite(?)) lead to the conclusion that this host rock had been hydrothermally altered by deuteric fluids rich in potassium, iron, magnesium, aluminum, silicon, and hydroxyl ions. Not far away, at Chalugas Bay, the most intense magnesian alteration of glass occurs (sample 11-4A). Here, in a massive basalt flow rock, the groundmass glass is totally converted to spherulitic magnesian chlorite and minor analcite. A striking example of propylitization, this rock displays phases almost totally altered to other minerals. In this instance, perhaps another source of fluids and metamorphism brought in abundant magnesium, aluminum, silicon, and hydroxyl ions, accompanied by smaller amounts of oxygen, carbonate, iron and sodium ions.

That the rocks of Amlia Island were metamorphosed hydrothermally by

exhalatives of varying compositions and at various times from some nearby magmatic source or sources seems without question. Direct evidence of this is seen again and again in the thin sections. Veinlets bearing secondary deposits of the same mineral phases seen in the adjacent host rocks are commonplace in the rocks of Amlia Island. Zeolites, smectites, quartz, and calcite are the most common vein-filling phases. Less frequently seen are hematite, goethite (may have originally been sulphides), manganic oxide(?) (may have originally been carbonate phases), kaolinite, prehnite, pumpellyite, and epidote. Other processes, such as seawater alteration of pillow lavas, may have had a part in the alteration of the original phases, but a notable example of relatively unaltered glassy selvage from a dacite pillow lava sampled near East Base on the northeast end of Amlia shows but little alteration other than the zeolite and iron-oxide-bearing veinlets that crosscut it. Even the orthopyroxenes here are remarkably fresh. Zeolite- and smectite-rich aureoles spread out into the fresh host rock away from the veinlets. Surely hydrothermal activity must have been a very important agency of metamorphism on Amlia. Deuteric deposits in the gas vesicles of the rocks reflect hydrothermal activity as well: the phases filling or lining the vesicles usually reflect the phases found in the hydrothermal veinlets cutting their hosts (exceptions: epidote, kaolinite, hematite, manganese oxide(?), and goethite). It must be remembered that many factors and variables affect metasomatism in rocks and that many complex changes can take place over long periods of time. Large uncertainties as to the relationships that original rock compositions, porosity, and permeability, bear to temperatures, pressures, and ion concentrations in fluids through space and time greatly complicate the interpretation of metamorphosed rocks. It is also difficult to make definitive interpretations or to draw firm conclusions mainly from the study of thin sections.

#### SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

The samples selected for this study are representative of a series of intercalated volcanic and volcanogenic sedimentary rocks, and their associated intrusive rocks that make up Amlia Island and probably large parts of the more extensive Aleutian Ridge. The volcanic rocks range in composition from basalt through rhyolite and the intrusive rocks are of similar compositions through dacite. The modal mineralogies of the rocks are remarkably similar, varying mainly in the proportions of the mineral phases rather than in mineralogic differences. Primary mineral phases present in nearly all the rocks include plagioclase, clinopyroxene, orthopyroxene, and ores. The ubiquitous presence of orthopyroxene and the general poverty of olivine in the basic rock is curious. Plagioclase is highly calcic, becoming more sodic in the acidic rocks. Few other striking changes are apparent. These data suggest a single magmatic source for the Amlia igneous rocks, with compositional variation due to localized assimilation of materials from the host environment and differentiation by fractional crystallization. This implies a stability of the Aleutian plate tectonic regime during the period of construction of, at least, the Amlia portion of the Aleutian Ridge (Vallier and others, 1981).

Metamorphism of the Amlia rocks is generally propylitic, with alteration principally in the form of simple hydration, hydroxylation, and light-element ion-exchange. Smectitization and zeolitization are the principal agencies of alteration apparent in the rocks, followed by oxidation, sericitization, and silicification. Saussuritization and amphibolization are rare and

localized. Secondary minerals observed in thin section include actinolitic amphibole, analcite, biotite(?), calcite, celadonite, chlorite, chlorophaeite and other smectites, epidote, goethite, hematite, kaolinite, leucosene, manganic oxide(?), prehnite, pumpellyite, quartz, sericite(?), natrolite and other zeolites.

Evidence of heating, fluid migration, ion diffusion, and ion exchange through the rocks of Amlia is apparent from the trend toward uniformity of low level oxidation, carbonation, ion enrichment and removal, and from the abundance of cross-cutting zeolite, calcite, and quartz veinlets in the rocks. Abundant, localized enrichment with uncharacteristic suites of elements, such as potassium and iron, also indicates a hydrothermal origin for most of the metamorphic processes. Interpretation of the rocks of Amlia Island is made difficult by large uncertainties concerning variables such as original rock compositions,  $pH_2O$ ,  $pCO_2$ , pH, porosity, permeability, temperature, and ions in introduced fluids. Working with little other than thin sections increases the difficulties and uncertainties.

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