# Major and trace element analyses of Cretaceous sedimentary rocks from the Euisong block, Gyeongsang Supergroup, Korea

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#### Abstract

Cretaceous fluvial-lacustrine sedimentary rocks of the Gyeongsang Supergroup crop out extensively in southeast Korea. This report contains whole-rock XRF analyses of 81 sandstones, siltstones and shales from the Sindong and Hayang Groups in the Kumi-Euisong area of the Euisong block. Analyses include major elements,  $CO_2$ , LOI, and 11-16 trace elements. Sample suites, petrography and broad elemental variations are also outlined. SiO<sub>2</sub> concentrations vary from ~55 wt.% in the mudrocks to over 85% in the sandstones, due to sorting fractionation. Most elements are positively correlated with  $Al_2O_3$ , indicative of residence in the clay fractionation. A small group of elements (Na<sub>2</sub>O, CaO, Ba, Sr) tend to decrease with increasing  $Al_2O_3$ , reflecting partial residence in feldspar and diagenetic enrichment in sandstones. Zr shows no trend, typical of zircon control. Scatter to high values for several other elements (Th, Ce, Ni, Cr, and Y) may also be influenced by heavy mineral concentration. More detailed interpretation of the data will be published elsewhere.

key words : Gyeongsang Supergroup, Cretaceous, sediments, geochemistry, Korea.

# Introduction

Fluvial-lacustrine sedimentary rocks of the Cretaceous Gyeongsang Supergroup outcrop extensively in southeast Korea (Fig. 1). The sediments were deposited the NNE-trending extensional intermontane in Naktong Trough, which developed near the present margin of Korea during the Early Cretaceous (Yang and Chang 1987). The Gyeongsang sequence is divided into the Sindong, Hayang and Yuch'on Groups, in ascending order (Fig. 2). The Sindong Group (middle Early Cretaceous) is a 2000 to 3000m succession of sandstone, shale, conglomerate and marl. Paleocurrent data suggest derivation from a source to the WNW (Chang 1988). The Hayang Group (late Early Cretaceous) comprises a 1000 to 5000m sequence of shale and sandstone, with minor marl, conglomerate, and intrabasinal volcanics. The basin expanded eastward during Hayang deposition, and was cut into three smaller crustal blocks (Yongyang, Euisong, and Milyang) by movement along WNWtrending growth faults. In the southern Milyang block, the source of the Hayang Group is thought to lie to the east, under the present Japan Sea (Yang and Chang 1987). In the Euisong area, however, paleocurrents remain dominated by WNW directions (Chang, 1988) similar to those in the underlying Sindong Group. Throughout the basin, the Hayang Group is unconformably overlain by the complex Yuchon Group, which is dominated by abundant andesitic to rhyolitic volcanic rocks, and contains only minor volcaniclastic sediments.

This paper reports the whole-rock geochemistry of sandstones, siltstones and mudstones (shales) from a traverse across the Sindong Group and part of the Hayang Groups in the Euisong block. The samples were collected to determine basic geochemical variations and their cause, and geochemical parameters relating to provenance, tectonic setting and source weathering. The purpose of this paper is simply to present the data; interpretation of the results is given elsewhere (Roser et al. 2000). The sample suite reported here is intended to serve as a comparative baseline dataset for use in study of a second transect across the Milyang block, and of equivalent formations in western Japan.

# **Geological Outline and Sample Suites**

The samples were collected between Kumi and Euisong, over an area of about 30x15 km (Fig. 1). Schematic stratigraphic sequence in the area is outlined

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Fig. 1. Geology of the Gyeongsang Supergroup in the Kumi-Euisong area, Euisong block, showing locality and principal sampling sites. Inset : Korea, showing location of the main map, extent of the Gyeongsang Supergroup, and the Yongyang, Euisong and Milyang blocks. Figure from Roser et al. (2000).

in Fig. 2. Samples were taken mainly from clean roadside outcrops, and postdepositional weathering was absent or minimal. Sampling at individual outcrops was designed to span the full range of grain size present, to accommodate chemical fractionation resulting from mineralogical sorting. A total of 81 samples were collected and analysed, with 41 from the Sindong Group, and the remainder from the lower to middle formations of the Hayang Group. The Yuchon Group was not sampled. Stratigraphy, lithology, sample suites and petrography of the formations sampled are briefly outlined below, summarised from Roser et al. (2000). Sample numbers (in parentheses) refer to those listed in Tables 1 and 2. Those with alpha-numeric sample numbers are mainly sandstones, with a few siltstones and shales (collected by B.P.R.), whereas the 11xx-xx series samples are all shales collected by H.I. and K.D.

## Sindong Group

The Sindong Group (Necomian) comprises the Naktong, Hasandong and Jinju Formations, in ascending order (Fig. 2). The Naktong Formation (12 samples) consists of alluvial fan and braided river pebble and cobble conglomerates, sandstone, siltstone, shale and marl (Choi 1986; Yang and Chang 1987; Son 1997). Beds at sites sampled included 2m thick matrix-supported cobble conglomerates containing coarse-medium channel sands (NK2-4), and 1-2 dm rhythmically bedded alternations of coarse- to medium -grained sandstones and subordinate mudrocks. Sandstones are arkosic, poorly to moderately sorted (NK5, 7) and usually massive (NK4), but occasionally show distinct plane lamination (NK6).

The Hasandong Formation (18 samples) includes sandstones, conglomerates and reddish and grey silty



Fig. 2. Schematic stratigraphy of the Gyeongsang Supergroup in the Euisong block, after Son (1997).

shales, thought to have been deposited from meandering river systems (Son, 1997). Although the formation is partially distinguished in the field by incidence of reddish beds (Yang & Chang 1987) most sandstones collected here are pale grey, weakly laminated and graded medium-coarse sands (e.g. HA2, 7, 8), with muds comprising <2-10% of outcrop. Beds sampled ranged from 0.4 to 0.8m in thickness. Shale rip-up clasts present in some samples (e.g. HA8) were discarded prior to analysis.

Jinju Formation (11 samples) consists of fluvio-

lacustrine sandstone, shale, and conglomerate (Son 1997). Red beds are generally lacking (Yang and Chang 1987). Sandstones collected here are mainly pale grey to pale brownish grey, moderately to well sorted, and fine or medium grained, although some coarser conglomeratic beds also occur. The sandstones sampled occur in 1-2 dm graded alternations with 10 cm grey shale interbeds. Weak lamination (CH2, 3, 6) and rip-up clasts (CH6, 7) are sometimes observed.

# Hayang Group

Fluvial sediments of the Iljik Formation (8 samples) form the base of the Neocomian-Aptian Hayang Group in the study area. The two localities sampled consisted of rhythmic alternations of 1-10cm bedded pale brownish-grey sandstone and shale, in a ratio of 9:1. Sandstones at these sites were fine- to medium-grained, poorly or moderately sorted (IL2, 3), and sometimes showed weak grading (IL1).

The Hupyongdong Formation (conglomerate, sandstone and shale) is partially correlative with the Iljik Formation, and contains basal conglomerates where it directly overlies basement (Yang & Chang 1987). It is divided into the Kumidong and Kugyedong members (Fig. 2). Because the locality sampled here lies at the contact between these two members, only fine sandstones, siltstones and shales are present. All 17 samples analysed are distinctly coloured (red, maroon and purplish-red). Sandstones are typically well-sorted, very fine grained, and finely laminated (PA1, 2, 5). These occur in metre-thick beds separated by 2-3 m layers of fissile siltstone and shale, which become thicker upwards.

Strong colouration in the Hupyongdong Formation is succeeded by primarily grey to greenish-grey lacustrine sandstones and shales of the Jeomgog Formation (Son 1997). Ten samples were analysed, from two localities. The beds sampled were 1-10 dm bedded sandstone-shale alternations in which shale predominated. Sandstones (CG1-3) are calcareous, well sorted, fine- to medium-grained, and plane laminated.

The uppermost unit sampled in this study is the Sagok Formation (5 samples), which is a muddominated flood plain unit (Son 1997). The main locality sampled consisted of shale alternating with subordinate 80cm-thick purplish-grey, weakly laminated fine-grained sandstone beds (SA1, 2).

#### Petrography

Petrographic studies (Yun et al. 1993; Lee and Lee 1998) and representative thin sections in this study show that Sindong and Hayang sandstones are quartz-rich feldspathic wackes. Lithic relatively fragments are rare, but matrix and cement contents are significant (Yun et al. 1993), suggesting some labile lithic fragments have been destroyed by postdepositional processes Quartz and feldspar are typically angular to subangular. Feldspar includes abundant sodic plagioclase, and K-feldspar often exhibits microcline twinning, and perthite and braid perthite microtextures. All feldspar shows alteration, with pools of calcite and flecks of sericite. Accessory minerals include biotite, muscovite, amphibole and epidote. Identifiable lithic fragments include gneissic and schistose metamorphics, quartz-feldspar aggregates and fine-grained sedimentary rock fragments. Volcanic rock fragments, which are abundant in Hayang Group sandstones in the Milyang block (Noh and Park 1990, Lee and Jun 1995; cited in Lee and Lee 1998), are virtually absent in this sample suite.

Petrographic information loss from extensive matrix development is compounded by almost ubiquitous presence of sparry and granular carbonate cement. In some samples from the Hayang Group, such cement surrounds and isolates subrounded detrital phases, and may near 50 modal per cent. This precludes systematic point-counting of the samples collected. Albitisation of feldspar is extensive in the Gyeongsang sediments, as shown by Lee and Lee (1998). Diagenetic modification is thus well advanced, and has substantially modified both petrographic and chemical compositions.

#### **Analytical Methods**

All samples were analysed by XRF, using a Rigaku RIX-2000 XRF at Shimane University. This instrument is equipped with an Rh-anode X-ray tube. All analyses were carried out on an anhydrous basis, using the ignited material from loss on ignition (LOI) determinations. LOI was measured by weight loss in 5 -6 g of oven dried (110 $^{\circ}$ C) sample after ignition for two hours in ceramic crucibles at 1000 $^{\circ}$ C. Sample preparation and analysis methods differed between the 11xx-xx series shale samples (analysts K.D and S.Y.)

and the sandstone-dominated alpha numeric sample suite (analyst B.P.R.).

## 11xx-xx series

About 20 g washed and dried sample chip was manually crushed in a tungsten carbide pestle and mortar, and then ground in an automatic agate pestle and mortar grinder. The powders were then oven-dried at  $110^{\circ}$  for 24 hours prior to LOI determination. Major and trace elements were determined on fused glass beads prepared in an automatic bead sampler, using commercial lithium tetraborate flux and a sample : flux ratio of 1 : 5. For major elements the method is essentially that of Norrish and Hutton (1969). Trace element analyses used standard peak over background methods, utilising calibration lines constructed from data for standard rocks issued by the Geological Survey of Japan (G.S.J.) and the United States Geological Survey (U.S.G.S.). Instrumental drift during analysis was monitored by repeat analysis of U.S.G.S. standard SCo-1.

## Alpha numeric sample suite

Fresh sample chip <10 mm in diameter was produced by splitting in a manual rock trimmer, with any chip containing exterior surfaces, veins or rip-up clasts being discarded. Sample chip was washed repeatedly in deionised water, oven-dried, and crushed for 30-60 seconds in a tungsten-carbide ring mill. Sample weights ranged from 70 g in the shales and siltstones to approximately 200 g in the shales and siltstones to approximately 200 g in the sandstones. Previous work (Roser et al. 1998) has shown that the crushing times used produce powders finer than agate grinding, with no significant contamination other than for Co, which was not analysed. The powders were oven-dried at  $110^{\circ}$ C for 24 hours prior to LOI determination.

All analyses were carried out on glass beads prepared in an automatic bead sampler, using commercial alkali flux comprising 80% lithium tetraborate and 20% lithium metaborate, with a sample to flux ratio of 1:2. Analytical methods and instrumental conditions for these analyses follow those described by Kimura & Yamada (1996). The 1:2 method used for this group of samples allows determination of several additional elements (Th, Ce, Ga, As, Pb), and also offers greater precision over the 1:5 trace element data due to greater peak/background

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Table 1 Major and trace element analyses of sandstones, siltstones and shales from the Sindong Group, Euisong district. Major elements wt%, trace elements ppm (hydrous basis).

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SINDONG GROUP

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CS FS

1102-6a

1102-6b

CH4

CH5

CH6

CH7

1103-2a

1103-2b

55.13

57.53

75.15

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78.56

67.19

61.71

58.96

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2.70

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6.57

6.80

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0.71

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SIO<sub>2</sub> TiO<sub>2</sub> Al2O3 Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> MnO MgO CaO Na<sub>2</sub>O K<sub>2</sub>O P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> CO<sub>2</sub> RE<u>ST SUM As Ba Ce Cr Cu Ga Nb Ni Pb Rb Sr Th</u> V Y Zn Zr

Notes: Pstn=stratigraphic position (L=Lower; M=Middle; U=Upper; nd=not differentiated). LITH=lithology (VCS=very coarse sandstone; CS=coarse sst; MS=medium sst; FS=fine sst; VFS=very fine sst; Zst=siltstone; Mst=mudstone/shale). REST=LOI-CO2. Where CO2 was not determined, REST=LOI. For elemental data," -" equals not determined.

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34 38

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12 24 128

30 52 246

28

70 224

92 290

121 200

110 166

21 101

284 6.8 295 11.9

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42

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SaNr	Pstn	LITH	SiO₂	TiO₂	AI2O3	Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	MnO	MgO	CaO	Na₂O	K₂O	P₂O₅	CO2	REST	SUM	As	Ва	Се	Cr	Cu	Ga	Nb	Ni	Pb	Rb	Sr	Th	v	Y	Zn	Zr
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 Table 2
 Major and trace element analyses of sandstones, siltstones and mudstones from the Hayang Group, Euisong district. Major elements wt%, trace elements ppm (hydrous basis).

Notes: As in Table 1.

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again constructed from data from beads of a similar suite of G.S.J. and U.S.G.S. standard rocks as used above, and instrumental drift monitored by repeat analysis of G.S.J. standards JB-1a and JG-1a.

# Carbon dioxide determinations

CO<sub>2</sub> in oven-dried hydrous powders was determined (B.P.R., K.D. and C.Y.) to permit calculation of sample carbonate content, and thus allow derivation of detrital CaO (CaO\*), as used in the Chemical Index of Alteration (C.I.A.) of Nesbitt and Young (1982, 1984). Analyses were carried out by gas chromatography, using a Fisons EA 1108 elemental analyser at Shimane University, calibrated using BBOT organic standard [2.5-Bis - (5-tert-butyl-benzoxacol-2-yl) - thiothiophen: FISONS Instruments].

In this method total carbon ( $C_{TOT}$ ) is first measured, using approximately 10 mg of sample. Duplicate analysis of several samples showed agreement within 3% error (coefficient of variation). Total sulphur and nitrogen were also sought in the analysis, but contents were not detectable or were negligible. Organic carbon ( $C_{org}$ ) was then measured in a second run, after dropwise treatment of the sample with 1M HCl to remove carbonate. Acid treatment of the samples was repeated until effervescence ceased, and the samples subsequently dried at 110°C for 30 minutes prior to gas chromatographic analysis. Inorganic carbon (carbon in CaCO<sub>3</sub>) is derived from subtraction of  $C_{org}$ from  $C_{TOT}$ , and is then recalculated to CO<sub>2</sub>.

Initial data derived by this method slightly overestimated CaCO<sub>3</sub>, leading to small negative values for CaO<sup>\*</sup> in many samples. To resolve this anomaly, a subset of 13 samples spanning the full range of CO<sub>2</sub> observed was also analysed by conventional Leco techniques by the Analytical Facility, Victoria University of Wellington. These results showed a slight calibration bias (+10-11% relative) toward higher values in the gas chromatograph analyses, which was corrected using the Leco data in a secondary calibration. This removed the negative CaO<sup>\*</sup> values. Subsequent analytical runs also included subsets of the Leco-analysed samples to allow secondary calibration in each sample set.

# Results

Results for major and trace elements are listed in Table 1 (Sindong Group) and Table 2 (Hayang Group), by formation. The data are listed on a hydrous basis. Lithology was estimated visually, using a hand lens and grain size comparator.

Elemental abundances vary considerably, depending largely on lithology and carbonate content (Tables 1 & 2), as shown by example variation diagrams plotted against Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (Figs 3 & 4). Anhydrous SiO<sub>2</sub> contents vary between  $\sim$  55 wt.% in the mudrocks and >85% in the sandstones (Fig. 3a). Differentiation between the two lithotypes induced by sorting fractionation is reasonably clear, with all sandstones containing <15% Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>. However, many of the mudrocks scatter below an idealised detrital trend (DT) to lower SiO2 values than expected, and some overlap occurs between the two lithotypes. A number of other major elements (TiO<sub>2</sub>, Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>T, MgO, and P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>) display similar patterns to K<sub>2</sub>O (Fig. 3b), with increasing abundances with increasing Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, suggestive of residence in the clay fraction. Trends resulting from sorting fractionation (arrowed) intersect the Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> axis at  $\sim 6\%$ , rather than following a silica dilution trend (SDL) from the most aluminous sample to the origin. This reflects abundances of detrital feldspar and lithic fragments, rather than a simple quartz-clay unmixing system. In contrast, the scatter plot for Na<sub>2</sub>O (Fig. 3c), shows the reverse trend, with generally higher abundances in sandstones than in the mudrocks. Considerable scatter occurs, attributable to varying sodic feldspar contents and extent of diagenesis. In general, Hayang samples of both lithotypes are more sodic than Sindong equivalents, suggesting more extensive albitisation (Roser et al. 2000). CaO contents vary considerably, with values nearing 20 wt.% (Fig. 3d), reflecting variable carbonate cement contents. Dilution effects from this component account for the distribution of data below the detrital trend on the SiO<sub>2</sub> plot, and for much of the scatter in elements positively correlated with  $Al_2O_3$ , such as  $K_2O$ .

Trace element contents show equally wide variation. A large group of elements including Rb (Fig. 4a) Ce, Cr, Ga, Nb, Ni, Th, V, Y, and Zn are positively correlated with Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, with marked sorting fractionation between sandstones and mudrocks. Although the



**Fig. 3.** Example oxide-Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> variation diagrams, plotted on an anhydrous normalised basis. Solid line DT=detrital trend; dashed line SDL (Fig. 3b) is a silica dilution trend from the most aluminous sample. Arrowed line on the K<sub>2</sub>O plot illustrates the sorting fractionation trend. Sst=sandstone; zst -mst=siltstones and shales.

strength of the trends vary, most intersect the  $Al_2O_3$  axis between 5 and 10 wt.%, similar to the positively correlated major elements, indicative of primary residence in the clay fractionation. Some samples scatter to higher values for a few elements (e.g. Th, Ce, Ni, Cr, Y), suggesting partial residence in heavy mineral or ferromagnesian minerals, and sporadic enrichment of these phases.

Three other elements (Ba, Sr and Zr), however, display less consistent relationships with  $Al_2O_3$  content. Barium contents are generally <1000 ppm, and abundances in sandstones and mudrocks overlap completely (Fig. 4b). This probably reflects residence in both the feldspar and clay fractions, although variable diagenesis may also be a factor. Isolated high values in mudrocks may also be due to presence of a Ba-rich phase such as barite, although this has not been confirmed. Strontium levels in sandstones are generally higher than in mudrocks, although both lithotypes show wide variation (Fig. 4c). Although this element is closely linked geochemically with Ca, their scatter plots differ, suggesting that Sr contents are not controlled by abundance of carbonate cement. The pattern of decreasing Sr with increasing Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> is more similar to that of Na<sub>2</sub>O, implying detrital feldspar control. Zirconium contents also show no relation with Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (Fig. 4d), with some scatter to very high values



Fig. 4. Example trace element-Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> variation diagrams, plotted on an anhydrous normalised basis. Symbols and lines as in Fig. 3.

in the range 10-15% Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>. This pattern is typical of primary residence in zircons. Several other elements (As, Cu, Pb) show little systematic variation in abundances, probable due to residence in multiple phases and variable diagenetic redistribution.

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# (要 旨)

Barry Roser・石賀裕明・Hyun-Koo Lee・道前香緒里・山崎静子, 1999, 韓国慶尚累層群の義城 ブロックの白亜系堆積岩類の主成分および微量成分分析,島根大学地球資源環境学研究報 告,18,1-10 韓半島には慶尚累層群の白亜系河川・湖成堆積岩が広く分布する.本論では主に亀尾・義 城地域の義城ブロックに中の新洞および河陽層群 81 試料の砂岩・シルト岩・頁岩について全 岩の蛍光 X 線分析結果を報告する.分析には CO<sub>2</sub>, LOI と 11~16の微量元素を含む.試料に ついては地質学的位置づけ,岩石学的検討および元素組成の大まかな変化の概要も記述す る.SiO<sub>2</sub> は鉱物の分級作用のため泥岩の~55wt%から砂岩の~85wt%まで変化に富む.多く の元素が Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> と正の相関を示し,それらを含む鉱物が粘土鉱物と挙動をともにしているこ とを示す.Na<sub>2</sub>O, CaO, Ba, Sr などの元素のグループは Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> の増加とともに減少する.こ のことはこれらの元素が砂岩の試料では長石の中に存在しているか,または続成作用によっ て付加したことを示す.Zr は鉱物種のジルコンとして特徴的に存在するため,特定の濃集の 傾向を示さない.重鉱物の濃集により,その他のいくつかの元素(Th, Ce, Ni, Cr および Y) などは高い濃度への分散を示す.より詳しい分析値の解釈は改めて報告する予定である.