

Electron microprobe analyses of rock-forming minerals from the eastern Iratsu epidote amphibolite mass in the Sambagawa metamorphic belt, central Shikoku, Japan

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Abstract

The eastern Iratsu epidote amphibolite mass occurs as a tectonic block in the Sambagawa metamorphic belt, central Shikoku, Japan. The eastern Iratsu mass has a complex metamorphic and tectonic history. Chemical compositions of rock-forming minerals from granulite and eclogite in the eastern Iratsu mass are tabulated along with brief description in this paper.

Key words: Sambagawa metamorphic belt, eastern Iratsu mass, eclogite, granulite, chemical composition, omphacite, garnet, glaucophane.

Geologic outline

The Sambagawa metamorphic belt is high-pressure intermediate type metamorphic belt, extending longitudinally for about 800km through the central portion of the Japanese island arc on the Pacific Ocean side (Outer zone of southwest Japan). The highest grade rocks (epidote-amphibolite facies) of the belt occur in the Besshi district of central Shikoku, which locally contains higher grade masses of coarse-grained basic, pelitic and ultrabasic lithologies (Kunugiza et al., 1986; Takasu, 1989). These masses have been regarded as tectonic blocks in a melange zone which formed at the initial stage of the exhumation of the Sambagawa belt (Takasu, 1984; 1989; Kunugiza et al., 1986) (Fig. 1).

The Iratsu epidote amphibolite mass (which is one of the tectonic blocks) consists mainly of garnet-epidote amphibolites accompanied by eclogite, granulite and minor marble. Takasu and Kohsaka (1987) argued that the Iratsu mass is divided into a western and eastern part, each with a different protolith and metamorphic history. The formation history of the western part of Iratsu mass (the western Iratsu mass) is as follows: basic volca-

niclastic rocks with minor pelitic and siliceous rocks → prograde metamorphism via under epidote-amphibolite to eclogite facies → retrograde metamorphism under epidote-amphibolite facies conditions (Takasu, 1989). The original rocks of eastern part of Iratsu mass (the eastern Iratsu mass) are layered gabbros (Banno et al., 1976). The metamorphic history of this mass is as follows: layered gabbro → granulite-facies metamorphism → high-temperature eclogite-facies metamorphism → hydration under glaucophane-schist facies → low-temperature eclogite-facies metamorphism → Sambagawa epidote-amphibolite-facies metamorphism (Takasu, 1989). The metamorphic conditions for low-temperature eclogite facies are similar to those of prograde metamorphism forming eclogite in the western Iratsu mass (Takasu, 1989). Omphacites, both in the secondary eclogite of the eastern Iratsu mass and in the western Iratsu mass, show a north-south lineation (Kohsaka, 1985). These facts suggest that the eastern and western Iratsu masses amalgamated to form a single mass at the time of eclogite-facies metamorphism (Takasu, 1989).

Outline of petrography

The eastern Iratsu mass consists of melanocratic and leucocratic layers. This banding is derived from the layered structure of gabbro. Granulite and eclogite are distributed randomly in the eastern Iratsu

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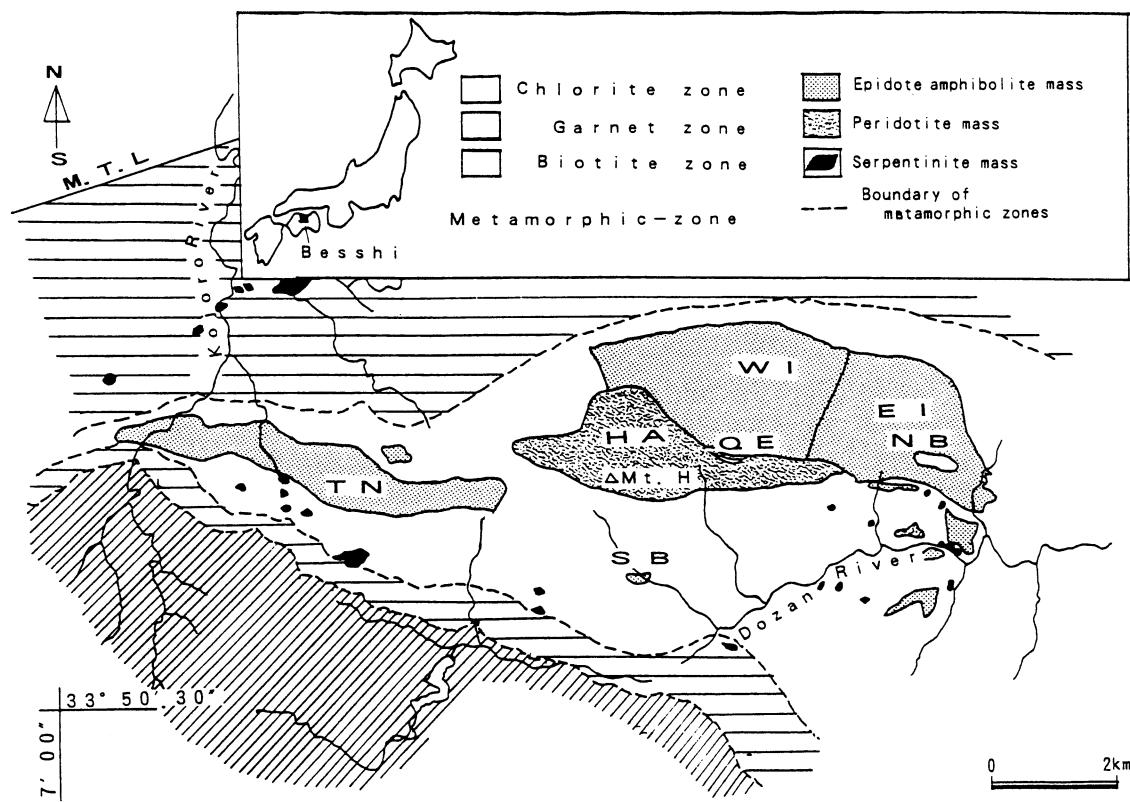


Fig. 1 Geologic and metamorphic zone map of the Besshi district, slightly modified from Takasu (1989). TN and SB = Tonaru and Sebadani metagabbro masses, respectively; WI and EI = western Iratsu and eastern Iratsu epidote-amphibolite masses, respectively; HA and NB = Higashiakaisi and Nikubuchi peridotite masses, respectively; QE = Quartz Eclogite mass; Mt, H = Mt, Higashiakaisi; M.T.L = Median Tectonic Line

mass. Granulite shows granoblastic texture, and is composed mainly of clinopyroxene, orthopyroxene, garnet, plagioclase, brown-hornblende and spinel. In some samples, brown-hornblende, spinel and plagioclase are absent. In the granulites, clinopyroxene, orthopyroxene and plagioclase occur as constituent minerals, showing granoblastic texture, with garnet occurring on the grain boundaries of constituent minerals. Spinel occurs as inclusions in clinopyroxene, orthopyroxene and garnet. Plagioclase is usually altered to saussurite. Granulites are sometimes identified only by granoblastic texture, and constituent minerals are replaced by epidote-amphibolite facies mineral assemblages. Eclogites are composed mainly of garnet, omphacite, hornblende, glaucophane, epidote, white-mica, quartz and plagioclase, with subordinate rutile, chlorite, calcite and opaque minerals. In some samples, glaucophane,

apatite, chlorite and calcite are absent. Omphacite, hornblende, glaucophane, epidote and white-mica usually show a preferred orientation. Epidote-amphibolites are composed mainly of hornblende, epidote, garnet, white-mica, plagioclase, quartz and chlorite, with subordinate apatite, calcite, sphene and rutile. Hornblende, epidote and white-mica usually show a preferred orientation.

Analytical Procedure

Mineral analyses were made by electron probe microanalyser (JEOL JXA-8800M) of the Research Center for Coastal Lagoon Environments, Shimane University. The accelerating voltage, specimen current and beam diameter were 15kv, 2×10^{-8} A and $10\mu\text{m}$, respectively. Correction procedures follow the methods of Bence and Albee (1968).

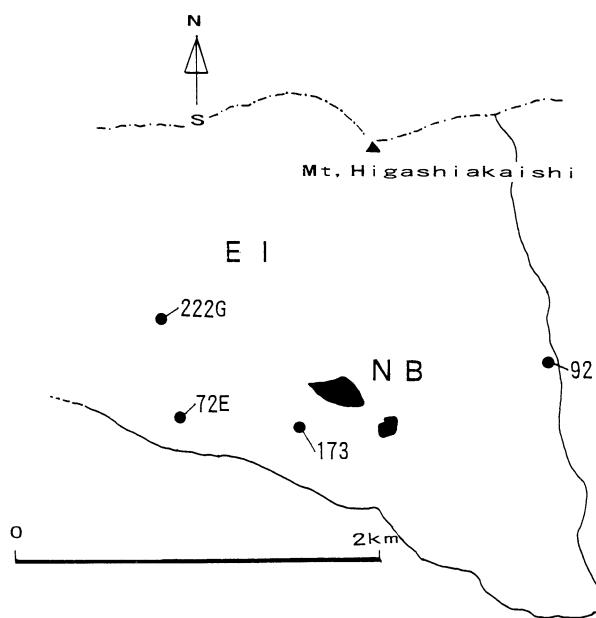


Fig. 2 Sample localities in the eastern Ilatsu epidote amphibolite mass. EI= eastern Iratsu epidote–amphibolite mass; NB= Nikubuchi peridotite mass.

Brief description of individual specimens

1. Granulite (specimen No. 222G)

This specimen is from Nikubuchi valley (Fig. 2), and shows typical granoblastic texture. The granulite facies mineral assemblage is preserved. The spec-

imen is composed mainly of clinopyroxene, orthopyroxene and garnet, with subordinate amounts of brown–hornblende and plagioclase (Table 1). The chemical composition of clinopyroxene and garnet are shown in Tables 2 and 3. In this specimen, the chemical compositions of clinopyroxene and garnet are homogeneous (Tables 2 and 3).

2. Eclogite (specimen Nos, 72E, 92 and 173)

These specimens were collected from Nikubuchi valley, east Nikubuchi valley and Ooki valley, respectively (Fig. 2). The mineral assemblage of each specimen is shown in Table 1. The chemical compositions of garnet, omphacite and glaucophane are shown in Tables 4, 5 and 6, garnet from specimen Nos, 92 and 173 are divided into core and rim, In contrast, the chemical compositions of garnet from specimen No, 72E are generally homogeneous, and are similar to those of the rim of garnets from specimen Nos, 92 and 173 (Table 4). The chemical compositions of omphacites are generally homogeneous (Table 5), as are the chemical compositions of glaucophane (Table 6).

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Table 1. Mineral assemblages of specimens

A. Mineral assemblages of eclogites

Specimen No	Chl	Ms	Ep	Hb	Rt	Sph	Opq	Ap	Ab	Qz	Cc	Gt	Gl	Omp
72E	++	+	++	++	+	+	+	—	—	+	—	++	++	+
92	+	+	++	++	+	—	+	—	—	+	+	++	+	+
173	+	+	++	++	+	+	+	—	+	—	—	++	+	+

B. Mineral assemblages of granulite

Specimen No	Cpx	Opx	Gt	BHb	Pl	Opq
222G	++	++	+	—	+	—

Abbreviations: Chl=chlorite, Ms=muscovite, Ep=epidote, Hb=hornblende, Rt=rutile, Sph=sphene, Opq=opaque minerals, Ap=apatite, Ab=albite, Qz=quartz, Cc=calcite, Gt=garnet, Gl=glaucophane, Omp=omphacite, Cpx=clinopyroxene, Opx=orthopyroxene, BHb=brown–hornblende, Pl=plagioclase. ++= a large quantity of present, += present, -= a small quantity of present

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Table 2. Chemical compositions of clinopyroxenes in granulite

Specimen, No	222G	222G	222G	222G	222G	222G	222G	222G	222G
Point, No	13	14	15	19	20	21	22	23	26
SiO ₂	49.92	51.42	51.38	51.24	50.41	50.60	50.83	52.52	51.29
TiO ₂	0.26	0.24	0.25	0.25	0.32	0.30	0.30	0.22	0.28
Al ₂ O ₃	6.16	5.74	5.91	5.65	6.52	6.84	6.62	5.79	5.30
FeO ^{**}	4.44	4.23	4.34	3.83	4.48	4.40	4.28	4.10	3.88
MnO	0.04	0.07	0.01	0.08	0.02	0.05	0.13	0.00	0.07
MgO	13.80	14.60	14.38	14.48	14.04	13.83	14.16	14.62	14.55
CaO	22.65	23.25	22.87	23.27	22.50	22.66	22.63	22.94	23.09
Na ₂ O	1.12	1.10	1.08	1.00	1.11	1.08	1.02	1.07	0.92
Total	98.39	100.65	100.22	99.80	99.40	99.76	99.97	101.26	99.38
Atomic ratio (O=6)									
Si	1.862	1.873	1.877	1.879	1.859	1.857	1.861	1.893	1.888
Ti	0.007	0.007	0.007	0.007	0.009	0.008	0.008	0.006	0.008
Al	0.271	0.247	0.254	0.244	0.283	0.296	0.286	0.246	0.230
Fe	0.139	0.129	0.133	0.117	0.138	0.135	0.131	0.124	0.120
Mn	0.001	0.002	0.000	0.002	0.001	0.002	0.004	0.000	0.002
Mg	0.767	0.793	0.783	0.792	0.772	0.757	0.773	0.785	0.798
Ca	0.905	0.907	0.895	0.914	0.889	0.891	0.888	0.886	0.911
Na	0.081	0.077	0.077	0.071	0.080	0.077	0.073	0.075	0.066
Total	4.033	4.035	4.026	4.026	4.031	4.023	4.024	4.015	4.030

^{**}Total Fe as FeO

13= rim. 14, 15= rim. 19–23= rim–core–rim. 26, 37= rim

Table 3. Chemical compositions of gaenets in granulite

Specimen, No	222G	222G	222G	222G	222G	222G	222G	222G
Point, No	8	9	10	12	24	25	34	35
SiO ₂	40.76	40.78	40.38	41.23	41.05	41.36	41.10	40.54
TiO ₂	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.03
Al ₂ O ₃	22.43	22.61	22.48	22.83	22.68	23.14	22.61	22.77
FeO ^{**}	15.34	15.06	16.20	14.87	14.61	15.02	15.68	15.28
MnO	0.34	0.36	0.33	0.28	0.27	0.32	0.24	0.34
MgO	14.89	14.52	13.82	15.06	14.89	14.97	13.99	14.83
CaO	5.96	6.06	6.19	5.93	6.19	6.20	5.71	5.76
Total	99.75	99.39	99.40	100.23	99.71	101.01	99.35	99.55
Atomic ratio (O=12)								
Si	3.001	3.008	2.998	3.010	3.012	2.999	3.035	2.990
Ti	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.001
Al	1.947	1.966	1.967	1.965	1.962	1.978	1.968	1.979
Fe	0.945	0.929	1.006	0.908	0.896	0.911	0.968	0.942
Mn	0.021	0.023	0.021	0.018	0.017	0.020	0.015	0.021
Mg	1.634	1.596	1.530	1.639	1.629	1.619	1.540	1.630
Ca	0.470	0.479	0.493	0.464	0.487	0.482	0.451	0.455
Total	8.020	8.001	8.015	8.005	8.004	8.009	7.977	8.018

^{**}Total Fe as FeO

8–10=core–rim. 12= rim. 24, 25= rim. 34, 35= rim–core

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Specimen, No	173	173	173	173	173	173	173	173	173	173	173
Point, No	5	6	7	8	11	12	13	14	24	25	26
SiO ₂	38.16	38.00	37.61	38.73	38.67	39.00	38.23	37.85	38.88	38.46	39.18
TiO ₂	0.06	0.07	0.02	0.06	0.03	0.10	0.03	0.04	0.01	0.07	0.07
Al ₂ O ₃	20.64	20.75	20.88	20.90	21.40	20.98	21.17	20.35	21.22	20.74	21.01
FeO*	25.65	26.14	25.65	25.68	24.00	24.18	25.33	25.58	24.42	24.31	23.92
MnO	0.71	0.69	0.63	0.67	0.61	0.59	0.53	0.63	0.56	0.45	0.46
MgO	5.81	5.87	6.24	6.08	4.78	7.01	4.83	5.87	5.24	6.53	7.47
CaO	8.24	8.25	8.24	8.33	10.44	8.15	9.81	8.22	9.46	8.36	7.98
Total	99.27	99.77	99.27	100.45	99.93	100.01	99.93	98.54	99.78	98.92	100.09
Atomic ratio (O=12)											

Si	3.002	2.983	2.962	3.007	3.009	3.015	2.993	3.002	3.026	3.013	3.018
Ti	0.003	0.004	0.001	0.003	0.002	0.006	0.002	0.002	0.000	0.004	0.004
Al	1.914	1.920	1.938	1.912	1.963	1.912	1.953	1.902	1.946	1.915	1.907
Fe	1.688	1.716	1.689	1.667	1.562	1.564	1.658	1.697	1.590	1.593	1.541
Mn	0.047	0.046	0.042	0.044	0.040	0.039	0.035	0.042	0.037	0.030	0.030
Mg	0.681	0.687	0.732	0.703	0.555	0.808	0.563	0.693	0.608	0.763	0.858
Ca	0.695	0.694	0.695	0.693	0.871	0.675	0.823	0.699	0.789	0.702	0.659
Total	8.030	8.050	8.059	8.029	8.002	8.019	8.027	8.037	7.996	8.020	8.016
Atomic ratio (O=12)											

Specimen, No	173	173	173	173	173	173	173	173	173	173	173
Point, No	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	53	56
SiO ₂	37.95	38.28	38.53	38.37	38.73	39.06	38.97	38.98	38.66	38.39	38.89
TiO ₂	0.08	0.11	0.09	0.04	0.07	0.09	0.10	0.11	0.09	0.07	0.10
Al ₂ O ₃	21.05	20.89	20.59	20.58	20.91	20.99	20.77	20.64	20.73	20.32	21.03
FeO*	24.61	25.35	26.27	25.71	25.24	24.38	24.34	24.12	26.38	26.42	23.76
MnO	0.52	0.67	0.78	0.64	0.64	0.60	0.62	0.50	0.57	0.84	0.54
MgO	5.03	6.55	5.15	6.48	6.75	7.46	7.37	7.05	5.60	5.42	7.69
CaO	9.72	7.93	8.11	7.84	7.48	7.51	7.53	7.71	8.44	8.27	7.87
Total	98.96	99.78	99.52	99.66	99.82	100.09	99.70	99.11	100.47	99.73	99.88
Atomic ratio (O=12)											

Si	2.991	2.988	3.028	3.001	3.012	3.015	3.020	3.037	3.010	3.018	3.003
Ti	0.004	0.007	0.006	0.002	0.004	0.005	0.006	0.006	0.006	0.004	0.006
Al	1.956	1.922	1.907	1.896	1.916	1.909	1.897	1.895	1.903	1.884	1.914
Fe	1.622	1.655	1.726	1.682	1.642	1.574	1.578	1.571	1.718	1.737	1.535
Mn	0.035	0.044	0.052	0.042	0.042	0.039	0.041	0.033	0.037	0.056	0.035
Mg	0.591	0.762	0.603	0.756	0.782	0.858	0.852	0.818	0.650	0.635	0.886
Ca	0.821	0.663	0.683	0.657	0.623	0.621	0.626	0.643	0.704	0.697	0.651
Total	8.020	8.041	8.005	8.036	8.021	8.021	8.020	8.003	8.028	8.031	8.030
Atomic ratio (O=12)											

* Total Fe as FeO

72E:1,4,6=rim. 12,14,15=core. 23,24,26=rim. 92:2=core. 3=rim. 6–9=core. 10–12=rim. 14=rim. 20–23=core. 24=rim. 30–31=rim, 32,37,38=core. 39–41=rim. 173:1–11=rim. 12=core. 13,14=rim. 24,25=rim. 26,27=core. 32–36=rim. 37–39=core. 40,53=rim. 56,57=core.

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Specimen, No	92	92	92	173	173	173	173	173	
Point, No	31	41	42	43	48A	48B	50	51	52
SiO ₂	54.54	54.65	54.35	55.66	53.72	53.88	54.35	53.74	54.52
TiO ₂	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.03	0.14	0.14	0.10	0.18	0.08
Al ₂ O ₃	11.28	10.96	9.66	9.82	9.68	9.65	9.15	9.40	10.65
FeO ^{**}	5.65	6.02	7.02	6.80	6.41	6.46	6.83	6.90	6.33
MnO	0.00	0.07	0.05	0.00	0.03	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.06
MgO	7.59	7.52	8.13	7.30	8.30	8.19	8.77	8.71	7.79
CaO	12.12	12.23	14.12	11.90	13.51	13.66	14.61	14.30	12.97
Na ₂ O	8.06	7.93	6.69	8.19	6.91	7.08	6.47	6.76	7.20
Total	99.38	99.52	100.16	99.70	98.70	99.08	100.31	100.03	99.60
Atomic ratio (O=6)									
Si	1.970	1.975	1.968	2.012	1.968	1.969	1.967	1.954	1.972
Ti	0.004	0.004	0.004	0.001	0.004	0.004	0.003	0.005	0.002
Al	0.480	0.467	0.412	0.418	0.418	0.416	0.390	0.403	0.454
Fe	0.171	0.182	0.213	0.206	0.196	0.198	0.207	0.210	0.192
Mn	0.000	0.002	0.001	0.000	0.001	0.001	0.001	0.001	0.002
Mg	0.409	0.405	0.439	0.393	0.453	0.446	0.473	0.472	0.420
Ca	0.469	0.474	0.548	0.461	0.530	0.535	0.566	0.557	0.503
Na	0.565	0.556	0.470	0.574	0.491	0.502	0.454	0.477	0.505
Total	4.068	4.065	4.055	4.065	4.061	4.071	4.061	4.077	4.050

*Total Fe as FeO

72E: 2, 3, 7=rim. 8, 9=core. 11, 13=rim. 16, 19, 20=rim. 21, 22, 25=core. 92: 1, 4=core. 13, 15=rim. 18, 19=rim. 28, 29=rim. 33=rim. 34–36=core. 43–45=rim–core–rim. 173: 9, 10=rim. 15, 16=rim. 17, 18=core. 28, 29=core. 31=rim. 41=rim. 42=core. 43=rim. 48A, 48B, 50=rim–core. 51, 52=rim.

Table 6. Chemical compositions of glaucophanes in eclogite

Specimen, No	92	92	92	173	173	173	173	173	173	173	173	173
Point, No	5	16	17	19	20	21	22	23	44	45	46	47
SiO ₂	57.18	55.94	56.53	56.95	57.34	57.09	56.64	57.20	55.79	57.82	55.79	58.27
TiO ₂	0.06	0.02	0.03	0.01	0.01	0.06	0.00	0.04	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.03
Al ₂ O ₃	11.00	10.59	10.46	10.92	10.49	11.08	10.89	11.03	10.96	10.96	10.83	11.00
FeO ^{**}	9.18	9.97	10.07	8.13	7.82	7.89	8.25	8.39	9.21	7.90	8.82	7.42
MnO	0.07	0.02	0.05	0.06	0.00	0.08	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.03	0.00	0.08
MgO	11.79	11.48	11.80	12.28	12.40	12.40	12.07	11.82	11.94	12.15	12.18	12.49
CaO	1.55	2.04	1.87	1.37	0.89	1.12	1.08	1.15	1.30	0.76	1.33	1.12
Na ₂ O	7.12	6.80	6.98	7.08	7.48	7.24	7.17	7.30	7.33	7.45	7.20	7.39
Total	98.04	96.86	97.79	96.80	96.43	96.96	96.10	96.93	96.57	97.08	96.15	97.80
Atomic ratio (O=23)												
Si	7.831	7.801	7.810	7.853	7.920	7.850	7.867	7.879	7.775	7.923	7.791	7.914
Ti	0.006	0.002	0.003	0.001	0.001	0.006	0.000	0.004	0.001	0.001	0.000	0.003
Al	1.776	1.740	1.703	1.775	1.708	1.796	1.782	1.791	1.800	1.770	1.782	1.761
Fe	1.051	1.163	1.163	0.938	0.904	0.907	0.959	0.967	1.073	0.905	1.030	0.843
Mn	0.008	0.002	0.006	0.007	0.000	0.009	0.000	0.001	0.003	0.004	0.000	0.009
Mg	2.406	2.387	2.430	2.524	2.554	2.541	2.499	2.427	2.480	2.482	2.535	2.530
Ca	0.227	0.304	0.276	0.202	0.131	0.166	0.160	0.170	0.194	0.112	0.198	0.162
Na	1.914	1.840	1.871	1.893	2.003	1.930	1.931	1.950	1.981	1.979	1.949	1.947
Total	15.219	15.239	15.262	15.193	15.221	15.203	15.198	15.189	15.307	15.176	15.285	15.169

*Total Fe as FeO

92: 5=rim. 16=core. 17=rim. 173: 19, 20=rim. 21–23=core. 44–45=rim–core. 46=rim. 47=core

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(要 旨)

田中 宙, 1994, 四国中央部三波川帯中の五良津東部緑れん石角閃岩体構成鉱物の化学組成. 島根大学地質学研究報告, 13, 13 – 21.

四国中央部三波川変成帯中のラクトニック・ブロック岩体の一つである五良津東部緑れん石角閃岩体は複雑な変成史をもっている。原岩は層状はんれい岩体で、高温のエクロジャイト相の変成作用を受けた後、グラニュライト相の変成作用、その後藍閃片岩相の後退変成作用を受けた後、再びエクロジャイト相の累進変成作用を受けた。この後、変成作用が進行している三波川変成帯の現位置へ固体貫入し、周囲の三波川結晶片岩と同じ緑れん石角閃岩相の変成作用を受けた。この岩体中のグラニュライト及びエクロジャイトを構成する单斜輝石、ざくろ石及び藍門石のX線マイクロアナライザー分析による化学組成を示すとともに、これらの岩石の記載をおこなった。