

EPMA IMAGES

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Figure 1. Principal beam-sample interactions. (a) Electron phenomena resulting from an impinging beam of electrons on a flat sample. (b) Electron-sample interactions within the “interaction volume”, whose size depends on beam energy and sample characteristics (primarily average atomic number, or atomic density).

Additional diagrams to illustrate the schematics of a microprobe or SEM, ionization phenomena, electron shell structure, etc., can be found in Goldstein et al. (1992).

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Figure 15. Energy-dispersive spectra of spot mineral analyses in sample 89GGR-33B for locations 1-4 in Figure 14.

ELECTRON PROBE ANALYSES

Mineral #1

SiO ₂	36.54
TiO ₂	0.03
Al ₂ O ₃	20.76
MgO	3.39
CaO	1.22
MnO	0.41
ΣFe as FeO	37.69
Na ₂ O	0.03
K ₂ O	0.01

Mineral #5

SiO ₂	33.13
TiO ₂	3.48
Al ₂ O ₃	17.73
MgO	5.95
CaO	0.02
MnO	0.01
ΣFe as FeO	23.93
Na ₂ O	0.13
K ₂ O	9.09

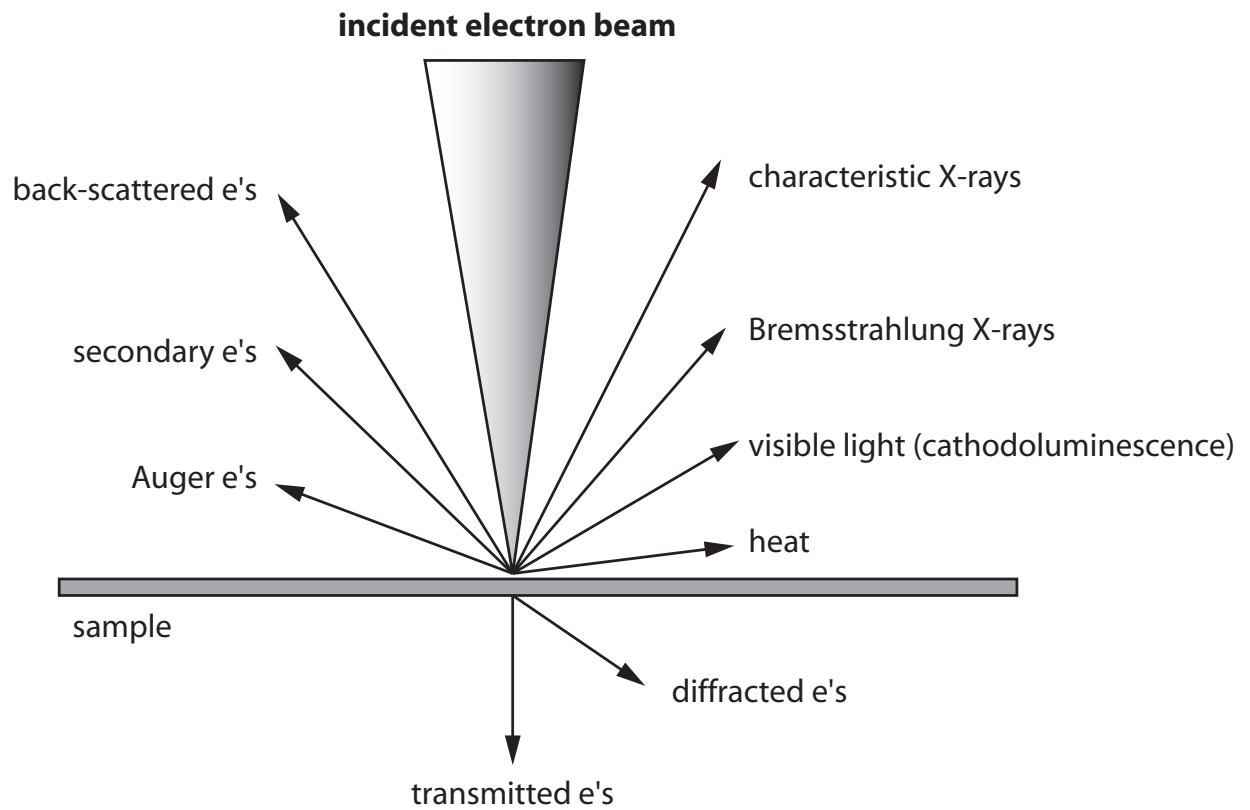
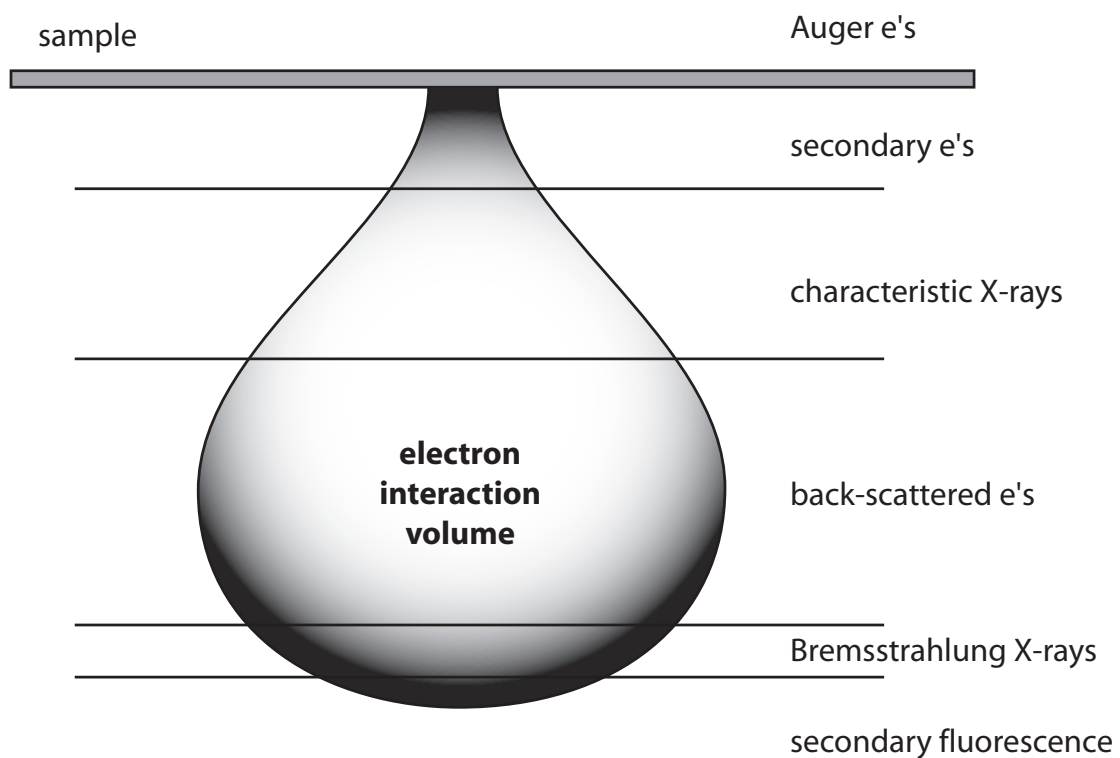
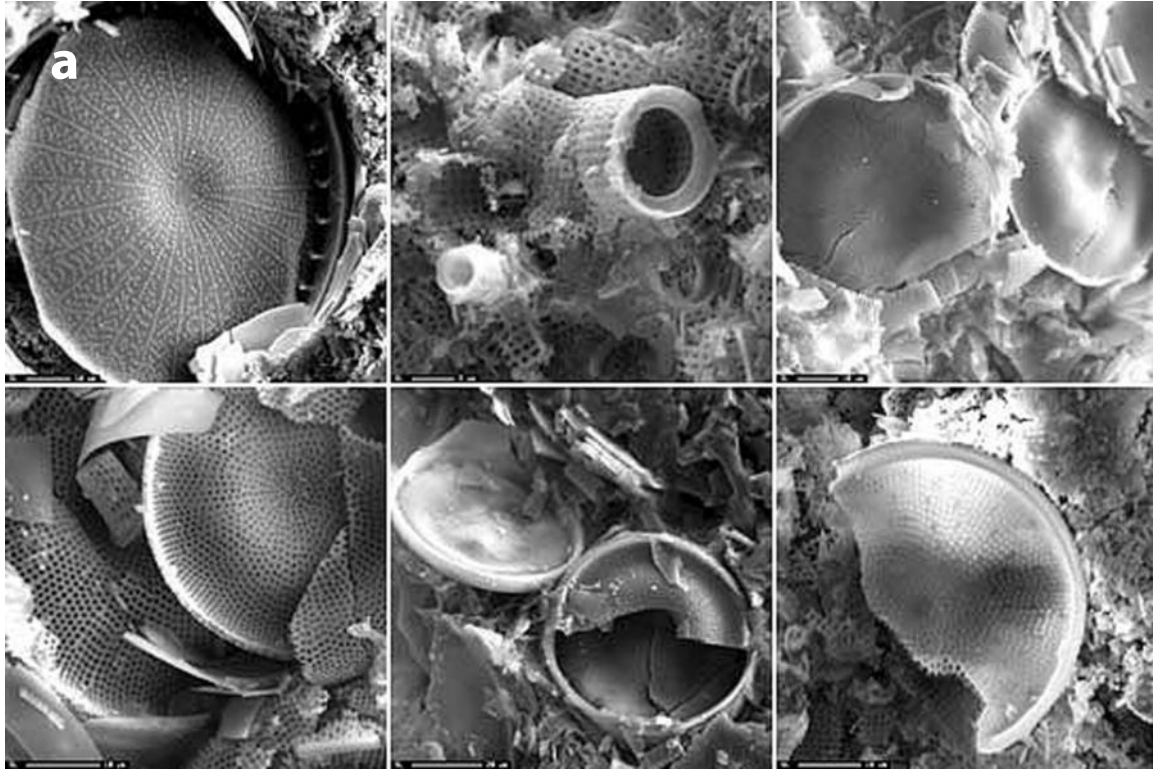
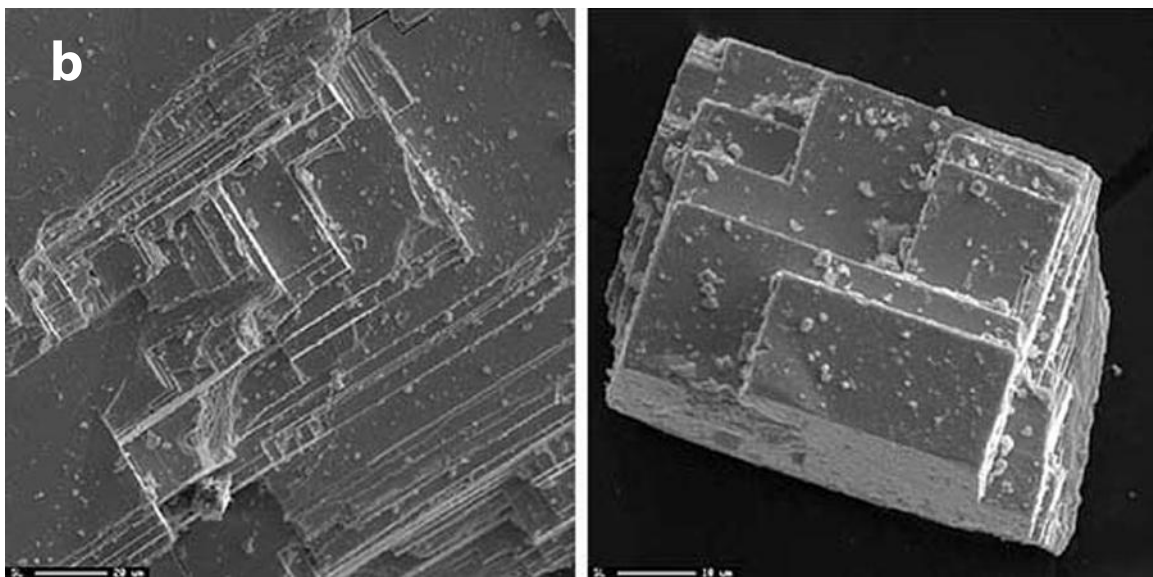
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SECONDARY ELECTRON (SE) IMAGES



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BACK-SCATTERED ELECTRON (BSE) IMAGE

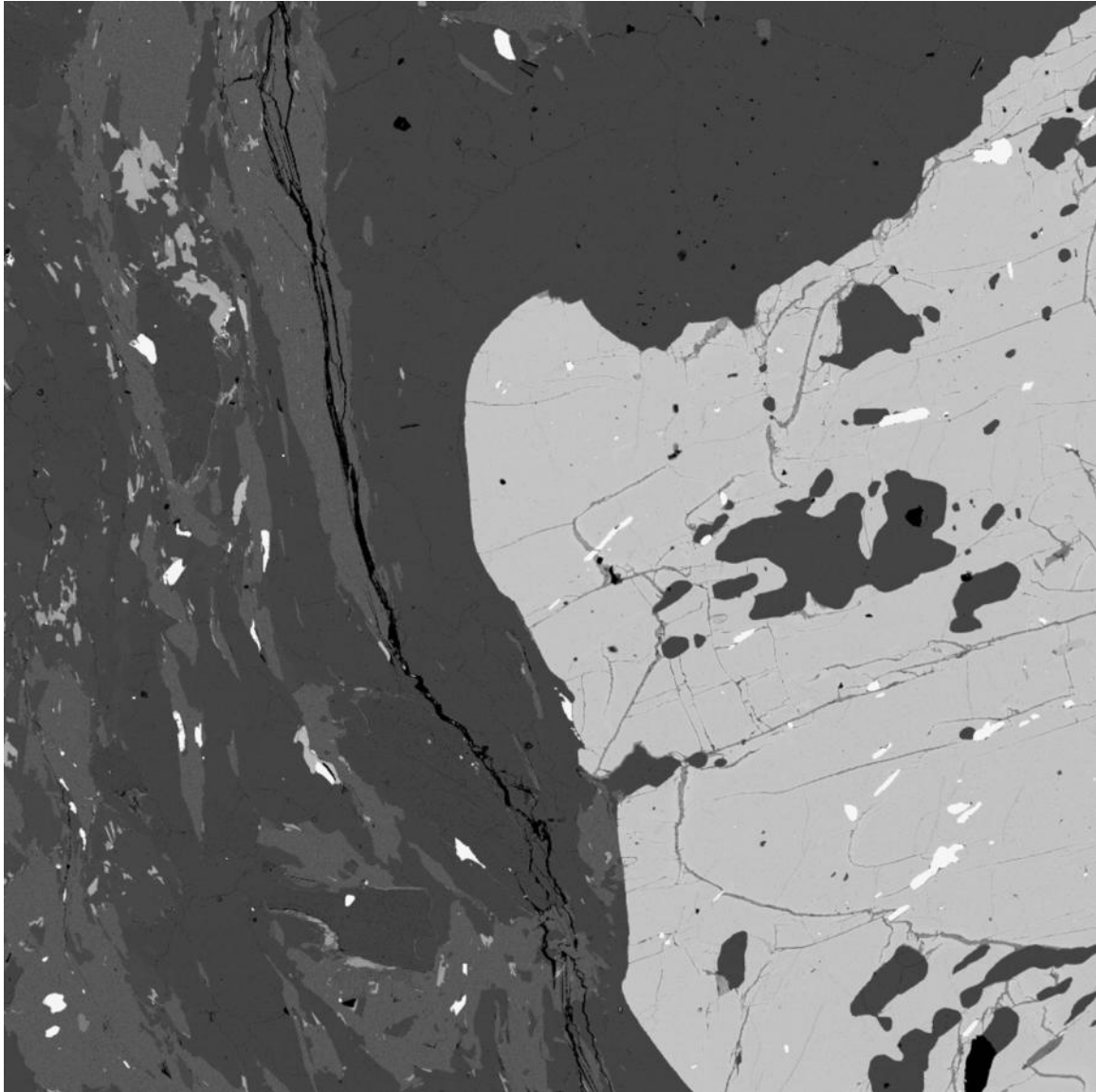
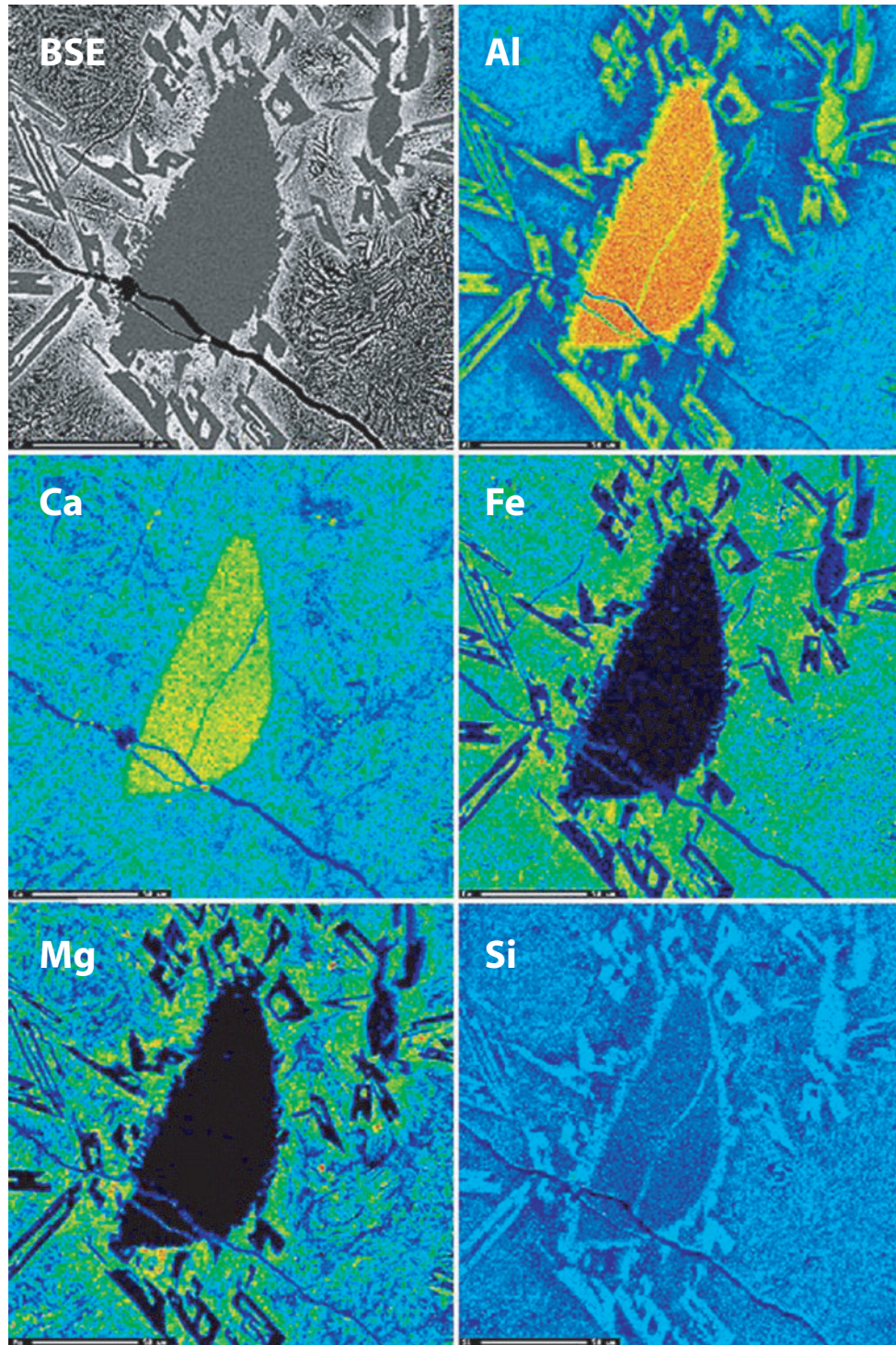


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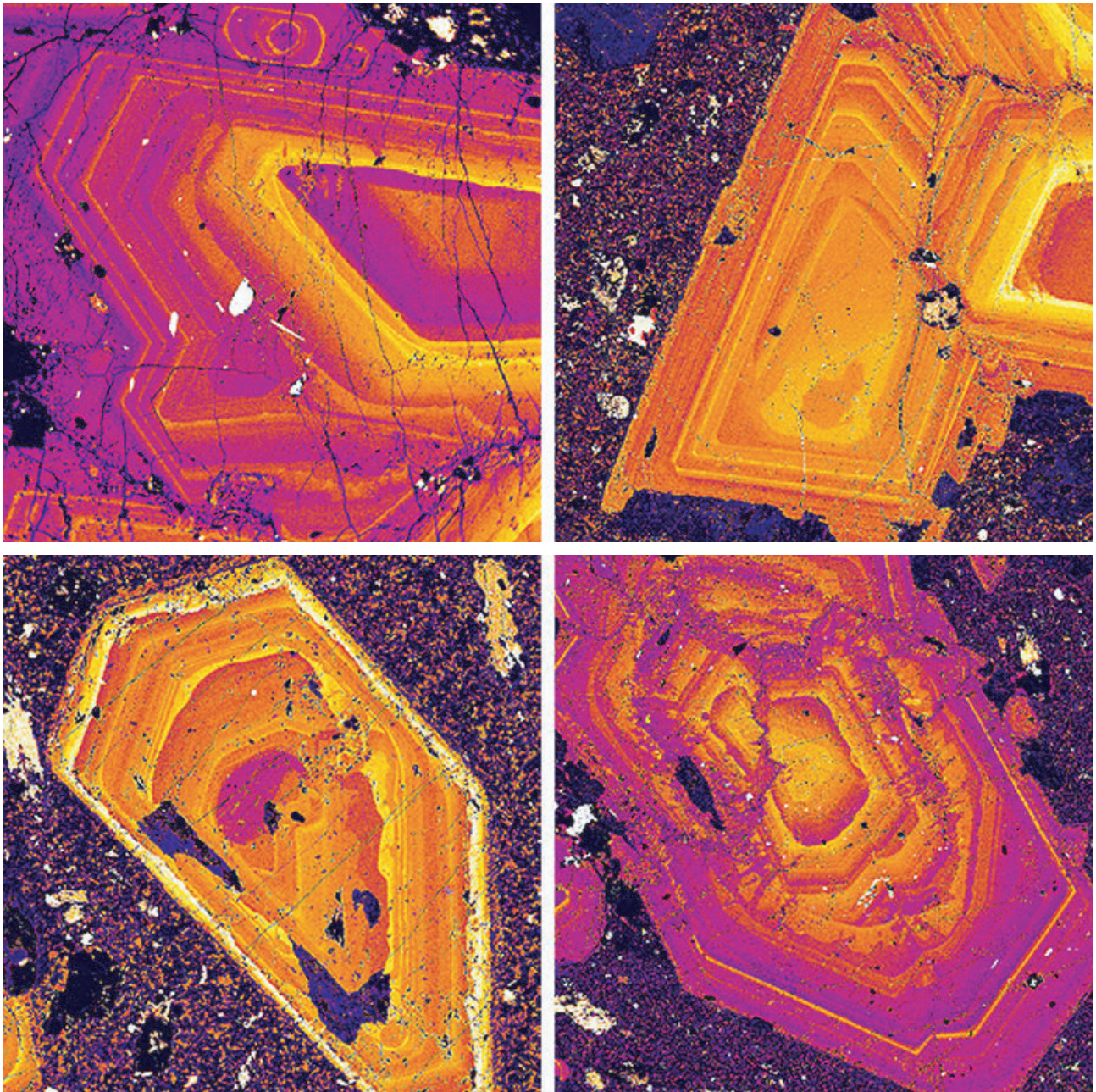
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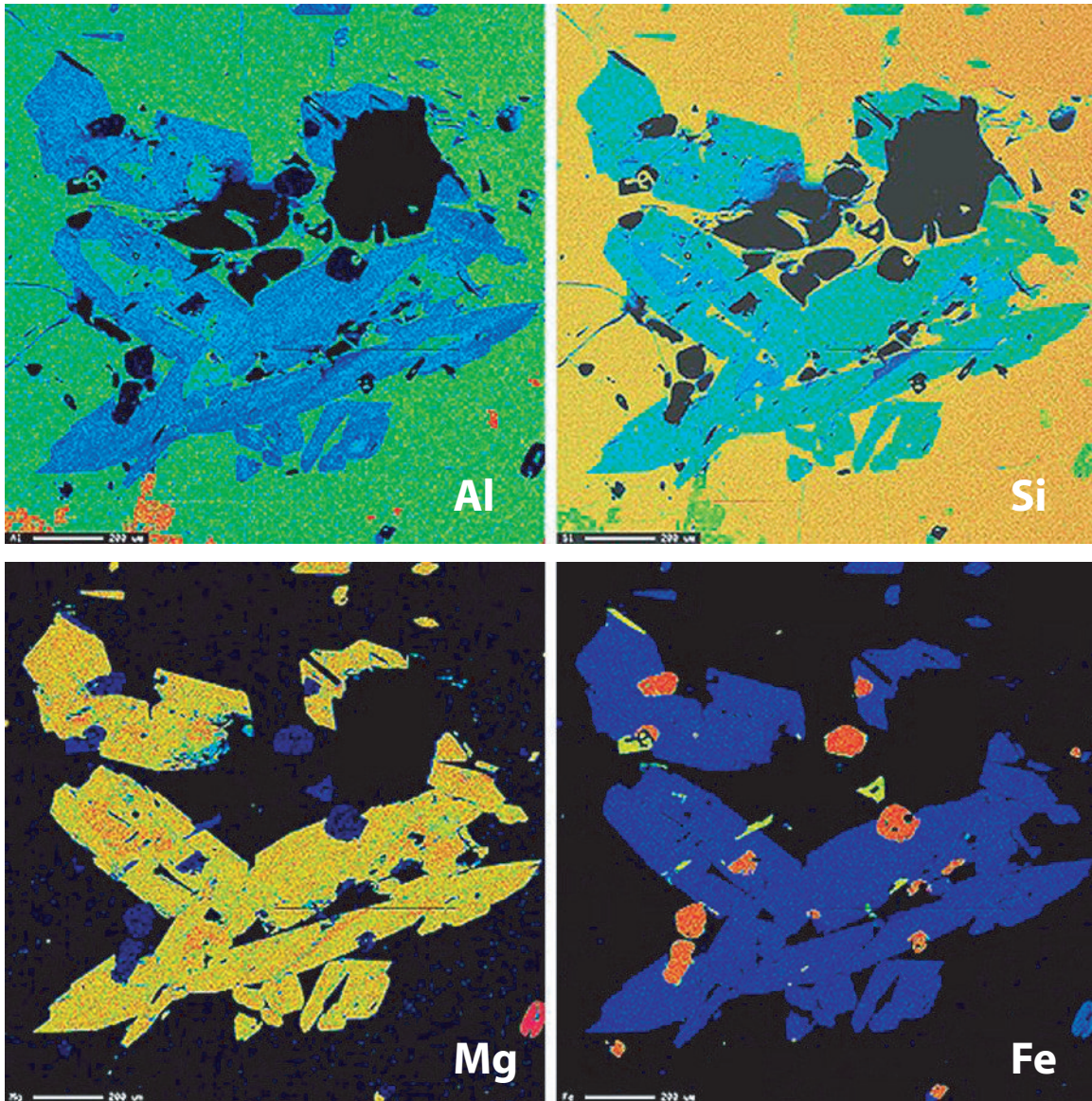
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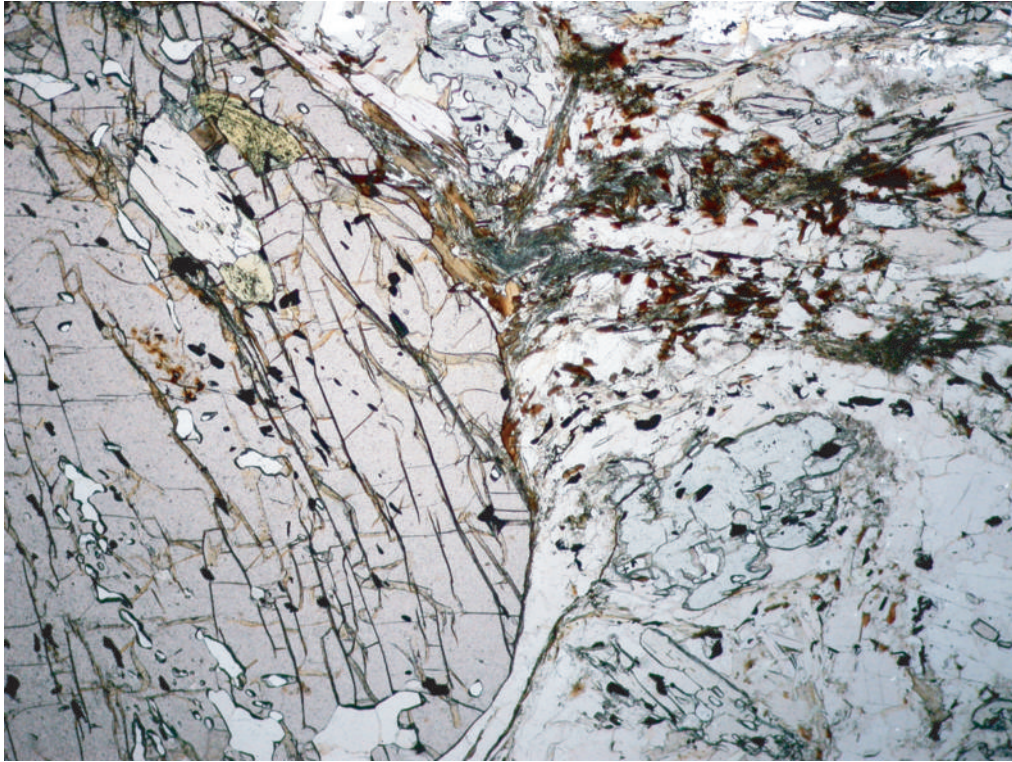
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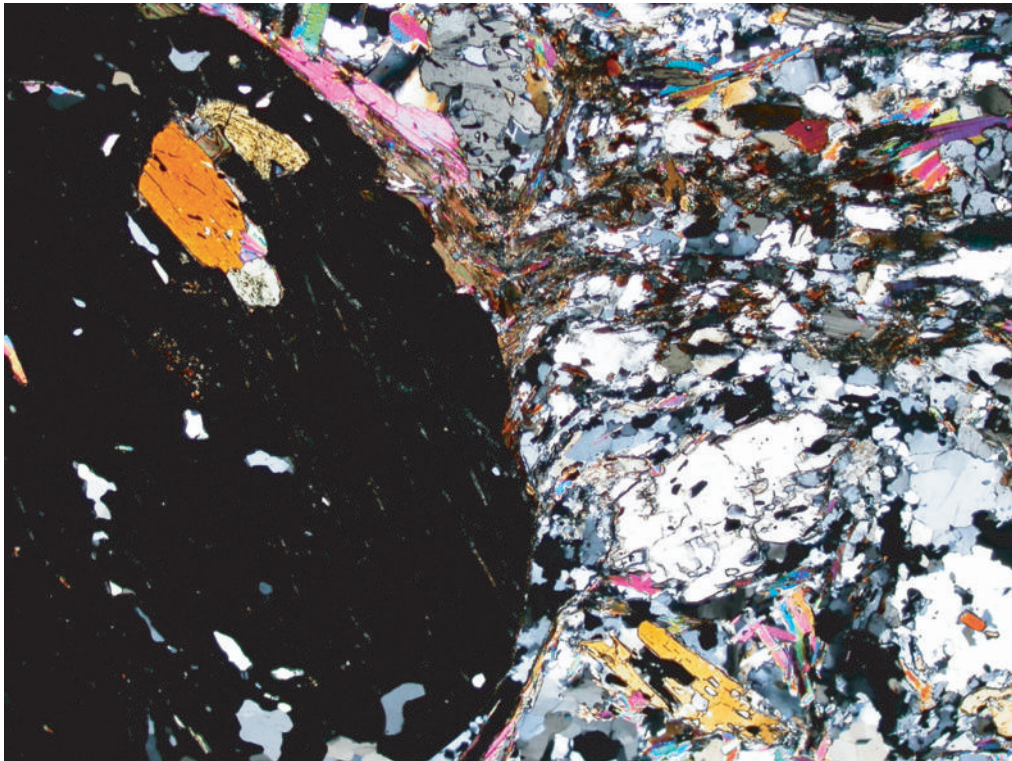
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89GGR-33A



Plane-polarized light



Crossed-polarized light

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89GGR-33A: BSE map

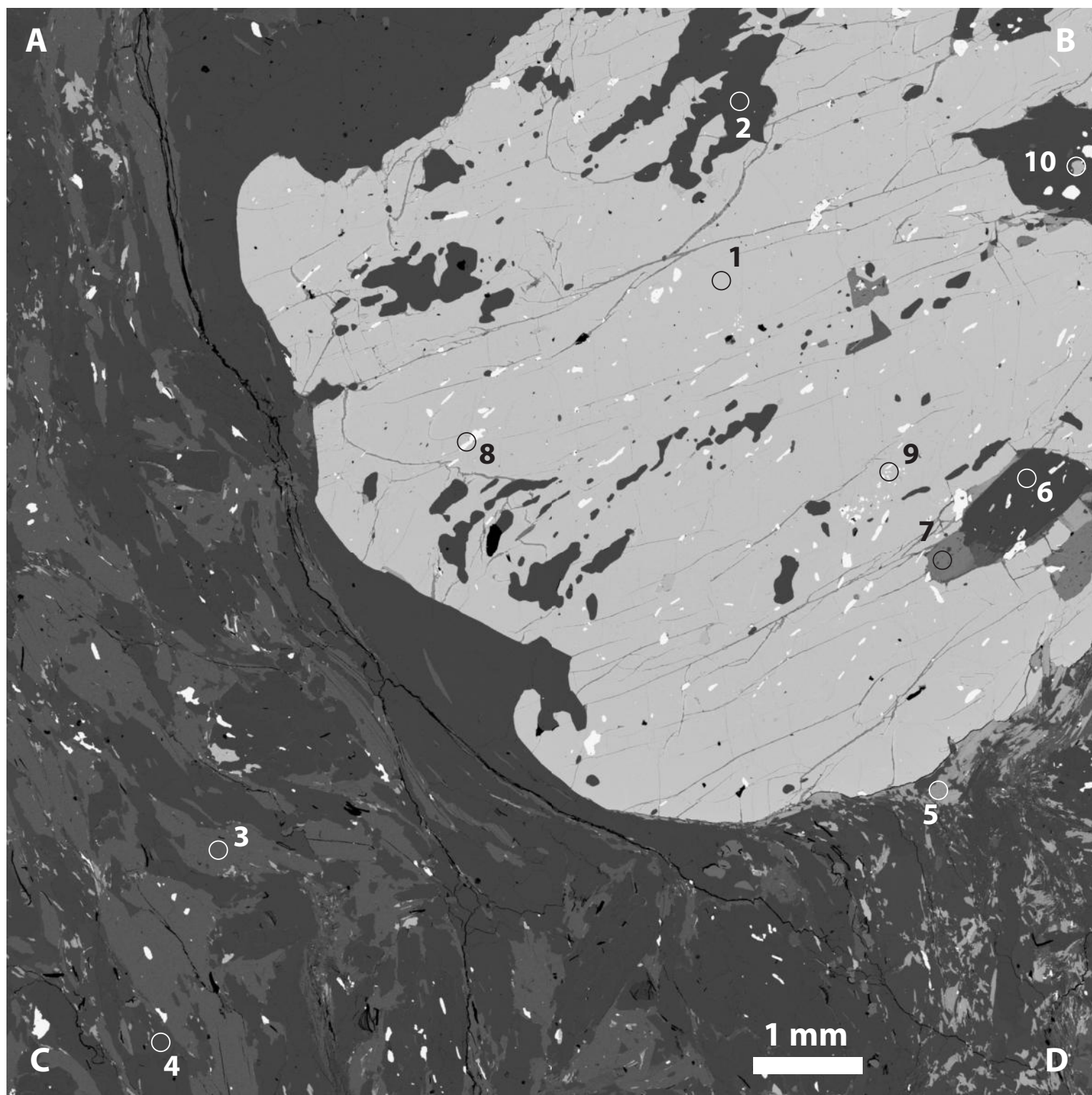


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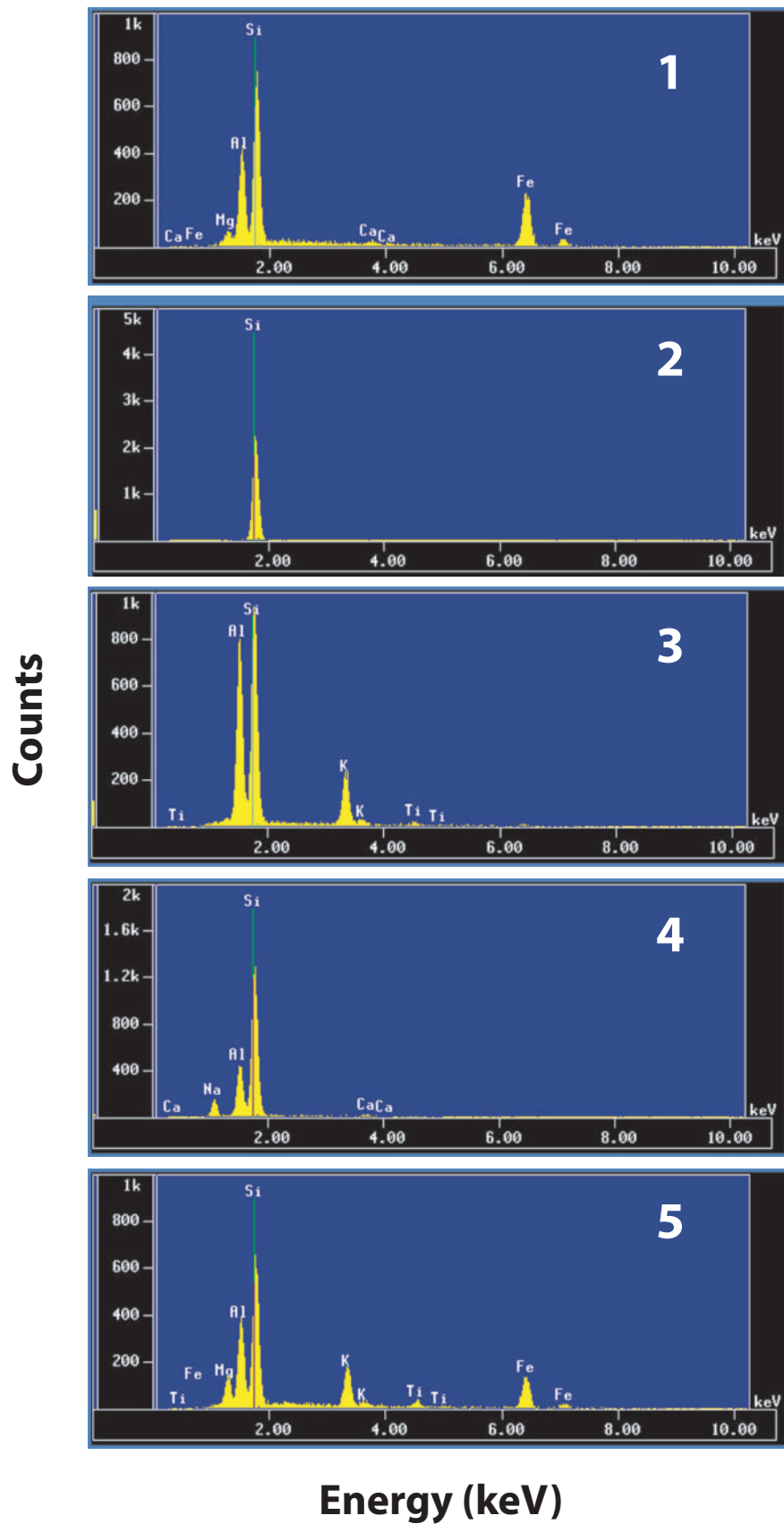


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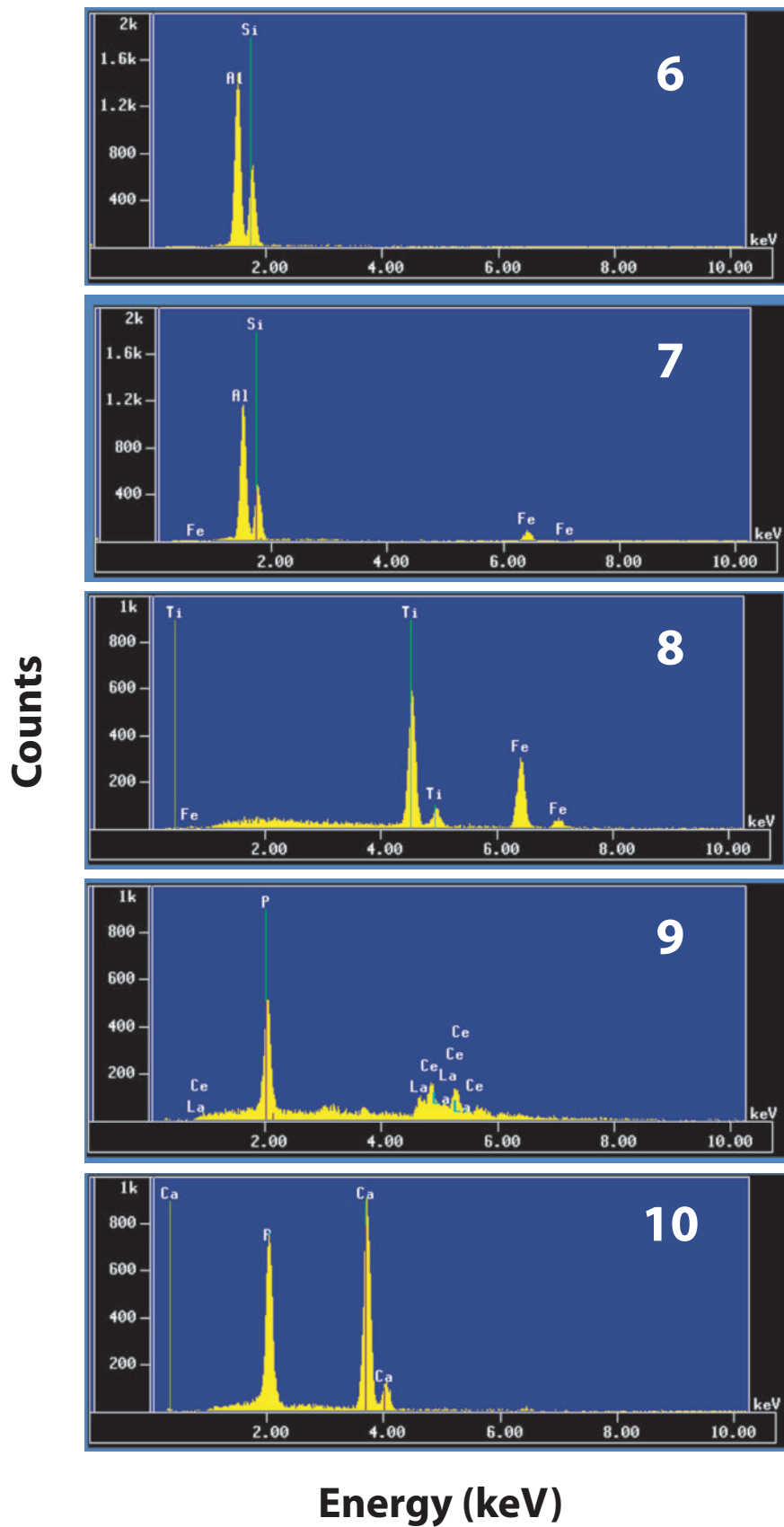


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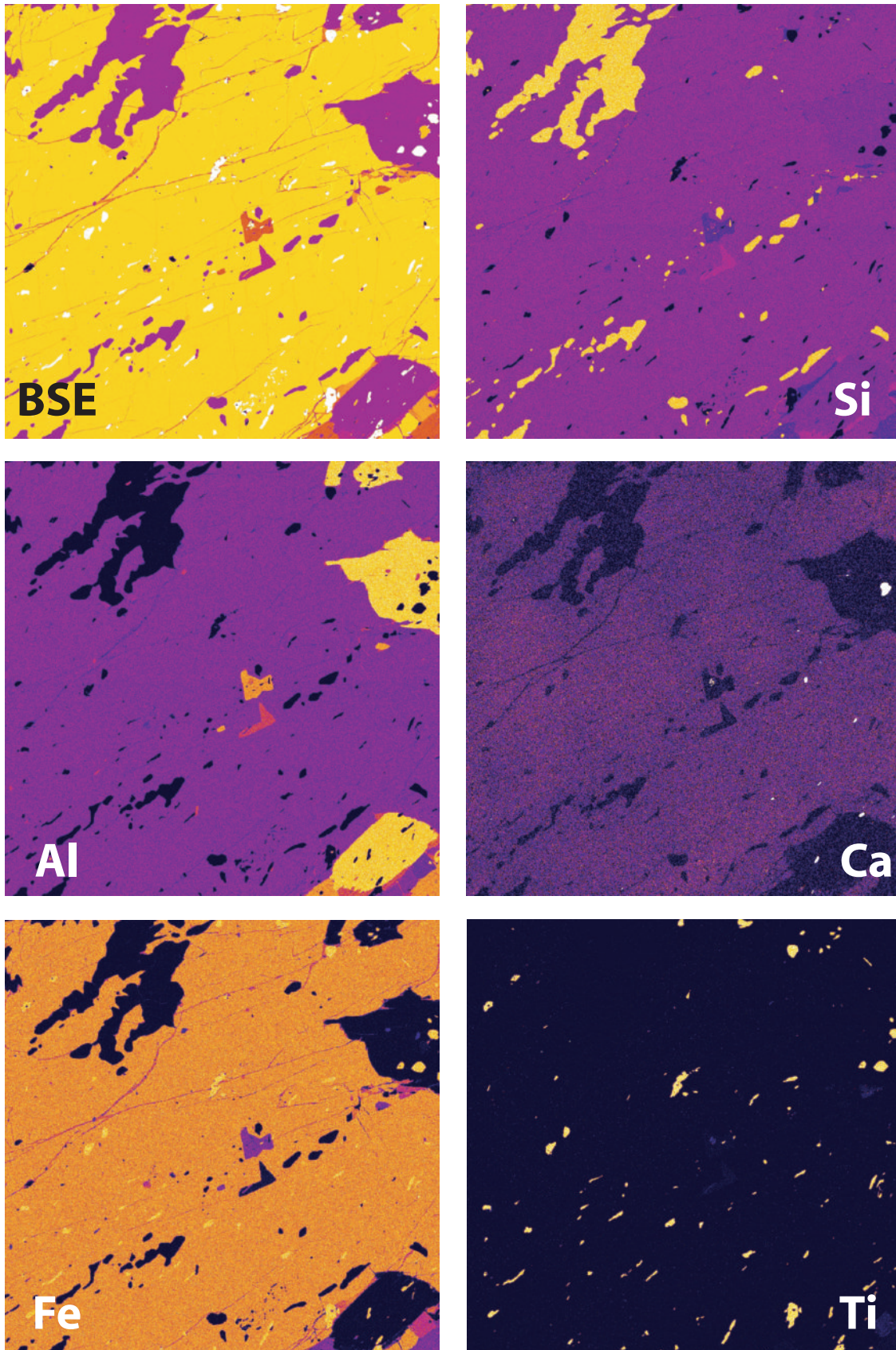


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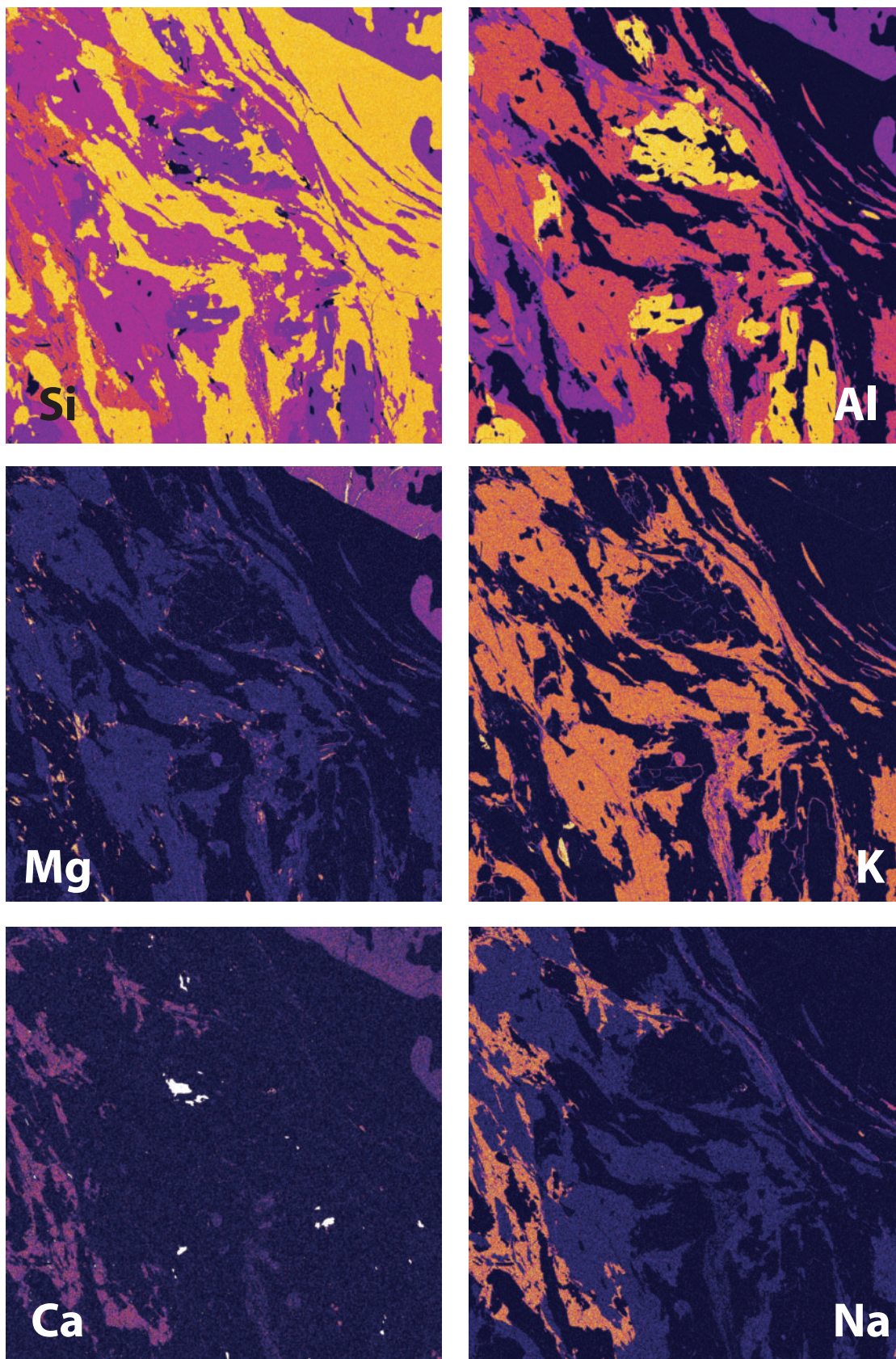
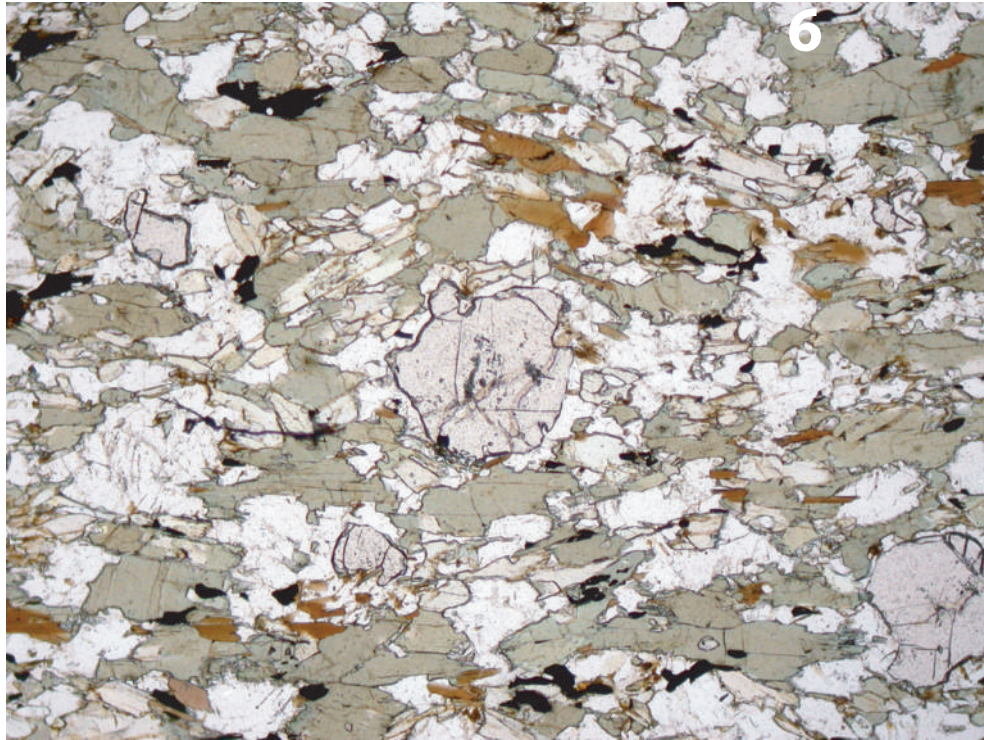
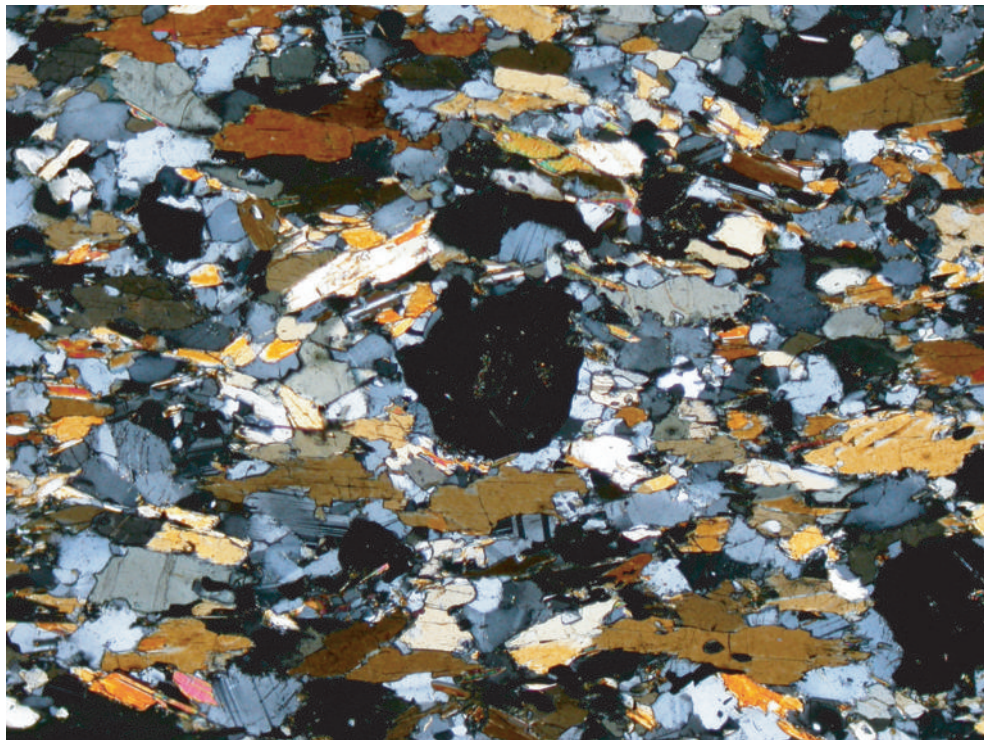


Figure 12. Element composition maps for Area C of sample 89GGR-33A.

89GGR-33B



Plane-polarized light



Crossed-polarized light

Figure 13. Thin section photomicrographs of sample 89GGR-33B, an amphibolite from the Ross orogen, Transantarctic Mountains, Antarctica. Field of view is approximately 5 mm.

89GGR-33B

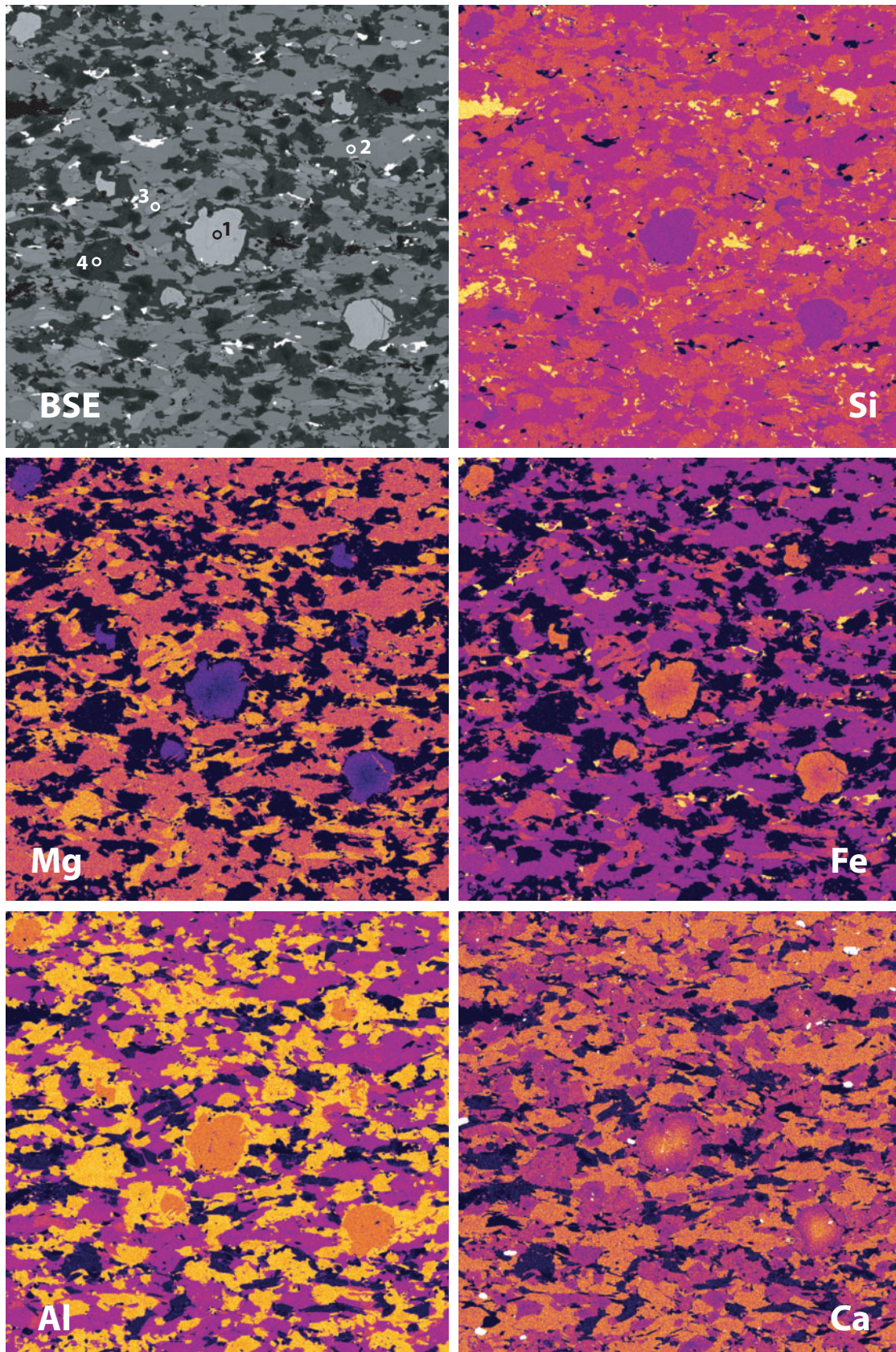


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89GGR-33B

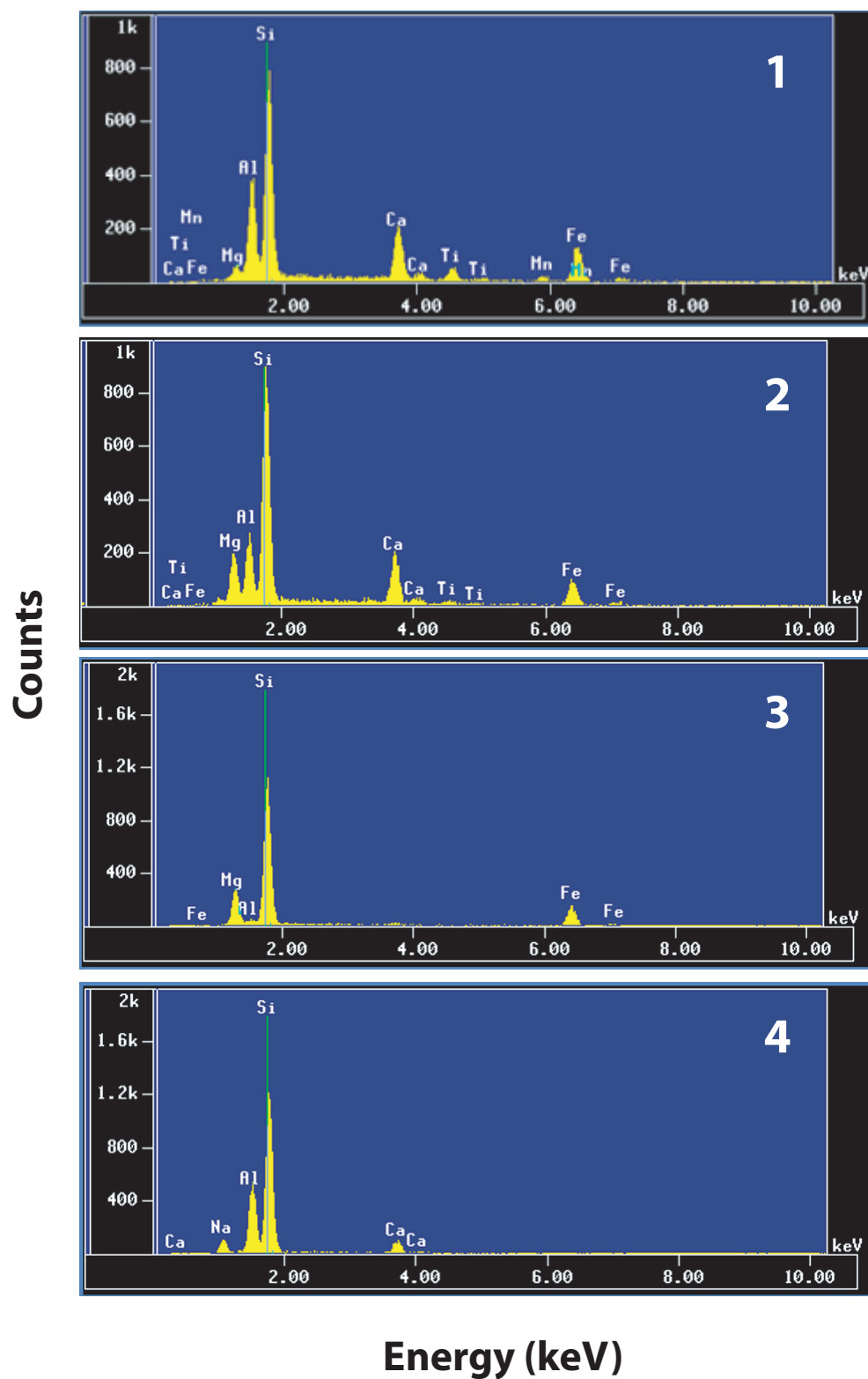


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