ROCK NAME:	Aphyric plagioclase-clinopyroxene basalt						
GRAIN SIZE:	Aphanitic: cryptocrystalline-microcrystalline						
TEXTURE:	Variolitic-subvariolitic; holohyaline-hypocrystalline						
PRIMARY MINERALOGY	PERCENT PRESENT	PERCENT ORIGINAL	SIZE (mm) COMPO- SITION	MORPHOLOGY	COMMENTS		
PHENOCRYSTS							
Plagioclase	0.1	0.1	0.4-1.6	Euhedral laths	Present as individual crystals; simple to oscillatory zoning in the cores. One anhedral xenocryst present, with glass inclusions (c.8 microns) in the core.		
Clinopyroxene	Tr	Tr	0.25	Euhedral	Two crystals found; faint oscillatory zoning.		
GROUNDMASS							
Plagioclase	4.6	4.6	0.05-0.15	Microlitic laths	Swallowtail, acicular needles.		
Clinopyroxene	3.3	3.3	≤0.2	Euhedral			
Mesostasis	86.3	86.3			Changes from dark brown subvariolitic, to a orange-brown honeycomb to a yellow-brown honeycomb and finally to a light gray-brown branching texture with increasing distance from the chilled margin.		
Glass	3.5	3.5			Clear ≤0.6mm-thick glass margin containing discrete varioles centered around plagioclase and pyroxene microlites		
Pyrite	Tr	Tr	0.0	Granular	In mesostasis.		
SECONDARY MINERALOGY	PERCENT	REPLACING/ FILLING			COMMENTS:		
Celadonite	Tr	Vesicles and microfractures			Forms an fine layer within some vesicles, and partially fills some microfractures.		
Saponite	0.4	Vesicles and microfractures			Lines the microfractures cross cutting the section and partially fills some vesicles, after celadonite and/or iddingsite.		
Iddingsite	Tr	Vesicles			Forms a layer of fine granules after celadonite in some vesicles.		
Pyrite	Tr	Vesicles			Forms drusy euhedral grains partially lining some vesicles.		
VESICLES/ CAVITIES	PERCENT	DISTRIBUTION	SIZE (mm) FILLING	SHAPE	COMMENTS:		
Vesicles	1.8	Even	0.05-0.1 Partial to complete	Round to irregular.	See comments above.		
COMMENTS:	Plagioclase microlites and varioles exhibit a preferred alignment parallel to the chilled margin.						

Secondary alteration minerals are restricted to a 1-2mm band on either side of the microfractures cross cutting the rock.

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ROCK NAME:	Aphyric plagioclase-pyroxene basalt							
GRAIN SIZE:	Aphanitic: microcrystalline to cryptocrystalline							
TEXTURE:	Variolitic to s	ubvariolitic; hypocry	ystalline					
PRIMARY MINERALOGY	PERCENT PRESENT	PERCENT ORIGINAL	SIZE (mm) COMPO- SITION	MORPHOLOGY	COMMENTS			
PHENOCRYSTS								
Plagioclase	Tr	Tr	0.1-0.5	Sub- to euhedral laths	Individual crystals and as monomineralic and bimineralic glomeroporphyritic cluster with clinopyroxene; some glass inclusions present. Simple and oscillatory zoning in some crystals.			
Clinopyroxene GROUNDMASS	Tr	Tr	0.2-0.3	Subhedral-euhedral	Present singly and in a bimineralic glomeroporphyritic clots with plag.			
Plagioclase	11.3	11.3	0.03-0.1	Microlitic laths	Skeletal, hollow and swallowtails.			
Olivine	Tr	Tr	0.05-0.1	Sub- to euhedral				
Clinopyroxene	7.6	7.6	≤0.05	Subhedral equant	Often aggregated with plagioclase microlite			
Mesostasis	79.0	79.0			Changes from dark brown subvariolitic, to a deep reddish brown plumose, to dark gray-brown plumose and finally to a light gray-brown branching texture with increasing distance from the chilled margin.			
Glass	0.7	0.7			Clear ≤2.5mm-thick glassy margin with minor amounts of plagioclase microlites, olivine ± pyroxene microphenocrysts (acting as nuclei for varioles and devitrified glass.			
Pyrite	Tr	Tr	≤0.002	Granular	In glass.			
Chalcopyrite	Tr	Tr	≤0.02	Granular	In mesostasis.			
SECONDARY MINERALOGY	PERCENT	REPLACING/ FILLING			COMMENTS:			
Saponite		Vesicles			Forms an inner lining in some vesicles, preceded by an earlier coating of celadonite.			
Celadonite		Vesicles and fractures			Restricted to alteration halo, lines vesicles and forms irregular groundmass clots perhaps replacing olivine. In some vesicles, the lining may be followed by pale green celadonite, saponite or iddingsite.			
Pyrite, pyrrhotite, chalcopyrite	Tr	Groundmass and vesicles			A 400 micron diffuse band contains concentrated 1-5 micron granular sulfide (a few reach 70 microns). This band corresponds to the inner edge of the alteration halo. In one vesicle, two botryoidal masses of sulfide (15 microns wide) occur on the wall.			
VESICLES/ CAVITIES	PERCENT	DISTRIBUTION	SIZE (mm) FILLING	SHAPE	COMMENTS:			
Vesicles	1.4	Even	0.05-0.1 Partial	Round to oval	Clear or partially filled with saponite, celadonite, iddingsite \pm sulfide			

The shape of the halo is also influenced by the presence of small microfractures.

TEXTURE: Variolitic to subvariolitic

PRIMARY MINERALOGY	PERCENT PRESENT	PERCENT ORIGINAL	SIZE (mm)	COMPO- SITION	MORPHOLOGY	COMMENTS
PHENOCRYSTS Olivine Plagioclase	Tr	Tr	0.5-1.2		Euhedral	Solitary crystals or within glomeroporphyritic clots. Some have an irregular outline, and
Clinopyroxene Opaques						are partially devitrified with glass inclusions in the core; the crystals are strongly zoned.
GROUNDMASS						
Plagioclase	1.6	1.6	≤0.1		Euhedral	Laths and needles; microlites exhibit a subparallel orientation, parallel to the chilled margin. Microlite grain size increases with distance from the margin.
Olivine						
Clinopyroxene Opaques	0.4	0.4	≤0.05		Granular	Skeletal grains.
Glass	Tr	Tr				Fresh pale brown glass containing abundant varioles and plagioclase microlites.
Mesostasis	96.2	98				Skeletal cryptocrystalline microcrysts set within a sheaf-spherulitic to plumose cryptocrystalline mass.
SECONDARY MINERALOGY	PERCENT	REPLACING/ FILLING				COMMENTS:
Iddingsite	0.6	Vesicles; mesostasis				Red-brown; granular to massive; fills the vesicles. In some vesicles, iddingsite is associated with hematite.
Saponite	0.2	Vesicles; mesostasis				Tan color; granular to massive texture.
Celadonite	1	Vesicles; mesostasis				Green; granular to fibrous, either forming bands at the rims or completely fills vesicles.
Pyrrhotite	Tr					Interstitial, granular (0.005–0.03mm) concentrated in a discontinuous band just beyond the leading edge (celadonitic) of the alteration halo.
VESICLES/ CAVITIES	PERCENT	LOCATION	SIZE (mm)	FILLING	SHAPE	COMMENTS:
Gas vesicles	0.8	Even	≤0.05	Clay	Round	Iddingsite, saponite and celadonite partially to completely fill the vesicles. The type of clay filling the vesicle depends on its location in the alteration halo.

COMMENTS: The section contains one small vein (≈ 0.01 mm wide) filled by red-orange iddingsite \pm saponite, cutting across the mesostasis as well as plagioclase phenocrysts. The vein has a 1.5mm oxidation halo associated with it, on either side.

PRIMARY MINERALOGY	PERCENT PRESENT	PERCENT ORIGINAL	SIZE (mm)	COMPO- SITION MORPHOLOGY	COMMENTS
PHENOCRYSTS Olivine Plagioclase	Tr	Tr	0.4-0.8	Euhedral	Laths and stubby crystals; occur singly and within monomineralic glomeroporphyritic clots; minor simple zoning.
Clinopyroxene Opaques					
GROUNDMASS					
Plagioclase	7.7	7.7	≤0.1	Euhedral-subhedral	Microlaths and microlites form an intersertal framework.
Olivine	Tr	Tr	≤0.1	Euhedral	Completely replaced by pale brown saponite.
Clinopyroxene	10.3	10.3	0.02-0.05	Granular	Grains are interstitial to plagioclase.
Opaques	Tr	Tr	≤0.005	Granular	Disseminated throughout the mesostasis.
Mesostasis	79.1	81.6			Characterized by sheaf-spherulitic to plumose texture, interstitial to the plagioclase \pm pyroxene framework.
SECONDARY MINERALOGY	PERCENT	REPLACING/ FILLING			COMMENTS:
Iddingsite	0.2	Vesicles; mesostasis			Red-brown; granular to massive either filling or lining vesicles and cavities.
Saponite	0.2	Vesicles			Green; fibrous to granular; fills to lines vesicles and cavities.
Celadonite	2.5	Vesicles; mesostasis			Yellow to pale brown; granular; lines vesicles and can be pure or mixed with celadonite.
Pyrrhotite + pyrite	Tr	Vesicles; alteration halo			Small anhedral grains (≤ 0.02 mm) located at the front of the alteration halo and within vesicles. One 0.3mm irregular pyrite grain fills the end of an irregular cavity.
VESICLES/ CAVITIES	PERCENT	LOCATION	SIZE (mm)	FILLING SHAPE	COMMENTS:
Gas vesicles	1.7	Even	0.05-0.15	None-clay Round to ovoid	Iddingsite, saponite and celadonite partially to completely fill the vesicles. The type of clay filling the vesicle depends on its location in the alteration halo.
Cavities	1.7	Concentrated at the top.	0.1-1.5	None-clay Irregular	The cavities are filled in a similar manner to the vesicles. They are irregular and convolute in shape, and occur in the upper half of the section, with their long axes parallel to the top of the rock.

COMMENTS: The alteration halo is c.5mm thick and zoned consisting of a sequence of iddingsite, celadonite and saponite from the external surface in towards the center of the rock.