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**Fluid inclusion and stable isotope evidence for the genesis of quartz-scheelite veins, Metagitsi area, central Chalkidiki Peninsula, N. Greece**

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**Abstract** Scheelite mineralization accompanied by muscovite and albite, and traces of Mo-stolzite and stolzite occurs in epigenetic quartz vein systems hosted by two-mica gneissic schists, and locally amphibolites, of the Paleozoic or older Vertiskos Formation, in the Metagitsi area, central Chalkidiki, N Greece. Three types of primary fluid inclusions coexist in quartz and scheelite: type 1, the most abundant, consists of mixed H<sub>2</sub>O-CO<sub>2</sub> inclusions with highly variable (20–90 vol.%) CO<sub>2</sub> contents and salinities between 0.2 and 8.3 equivalent weight % NaCl. Densities range from 0.79 to 0.99 g/cc; type 1 inclusions contain also traces (< 2 mol%) of CH<sub>4</sub>. Type 2 inclusions are nearly 100 vol.% liquid CO<sub>2</sub>, with traces of CH<sub>4</sub>, and densities between 0.75 and 0.88 g/cc. Type 3 inclusions, the least abundant, contain an aqueous liquid of low salinity (0.5 to 8.5 equivalent weight% NaCl) with 10–30 vol.% H<sub>2</sub>O gas infrequently containing also small amounts of CO<sub>2</sub> (< 2 mol%); densities range from 0.72 to 0.99 g/cc. The wide range of coexisting fluid inclusion compositions is interpreted as a result of fluid immiscibility during entrapment. Immiscibility is documented by the partitioning of CH<sub>4</sub> and CO<sub>2</sub>, into gas-rich (CO<sub>2</sub>-rich) type 1 inclusions, and the conformity of end-member compositions trapped in type 1 inclusions to chemical equilibrium fractionation at the minimum measured homogenization temperatures, and calculated homogenization pressures. Minimum measured homogenization temperatures of aqueous and gas-rich type 1 inclusions of 220°–250 °C, either to the H<sub>2</sub>O, or to the CO<sub>2</sub> phase, is considered the best estimate of temperature of formation of the veins, and temperature

of scheelite deposition. Corresponding fluid pressures were between 1.2 and 2.6 kbar. Oxygen fugacities during mineralization varied from 10<sup>-35</sup> to 10<sup>-31</sup> bar and were slightly above the synthetic Ni-NiO buffer values. The fluid inclusion data combined with δ<sup>18</sup>O water values of 3 to 6 per mil (SMOW) and δ<sup>13</sup>C CO<sub>2</sub>-fluid of -1.2 to +4.3 per mil (PDB), together with geologic data, indicate generation of mineralizing fluids primarily by late- to post-metamorphic devolatilization reactions.

**Introduction**

Exploration for tungsten in the area of Metagitsi, central Chalkidiki peninsula, North Greece (Fig. 1), has been carried out by BPMC (Bauxites Parnasse Mining Company, Greece) during 1963–1972, and between 1983 and 1988 by the Institute of Geology and Mineral Exploration (IGME) of Greece. Mineralization was discovered in 1965 by BPMC when soil geochemical prospecting, trenching and drilling delineated a mineralized zone approximately 1 × 3 km in extent containing some 10 major scheelite-bearing quartz veins and minor stratabound scheelite disseminations. Veranis and Bitzios (1984) in their study of the area, proposed that tungsten was most likely remobilized from pre-existing primary mineralization and introduced into the veins forming at the same time in the surrounding rocks.

This study presents mineralogical, fluid inclusion and oxygen and carbon isotope data in an attempt to decipher the nature and the origin of the mineralizing fluids, as well as the physicochemical conditions of formation of the quartz-scheelite vein mineralization in the area of Metagitsi.

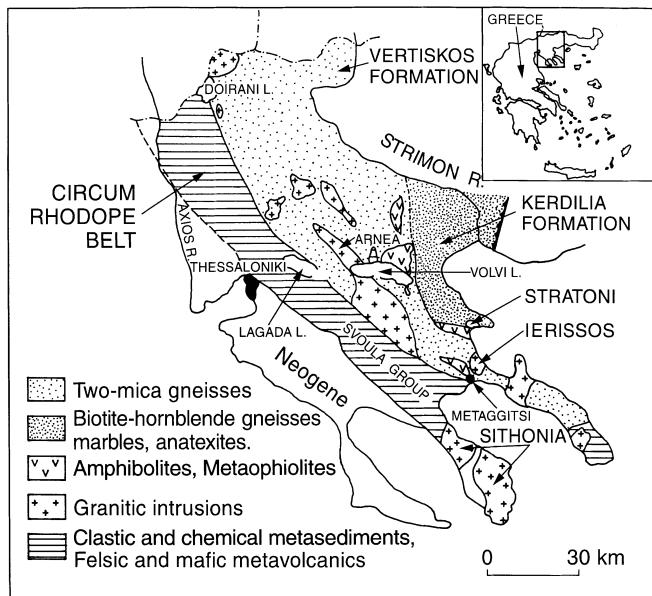
**Regional geologic setting**

Scheelite mineralization of the Metagitsi area occurs mainly in the Vertiskos Formation that constitutes the western part of the Paleozoic or older Servo-Macedonian massif (Fig. 1) (Kockel et al.

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**Fig. 1** Geotectonic map of the Servo-Macedonian Massif (modified after Kockel et al. 1977)

1977). East of the Vertiskos Formation is the tectonically underlying Kerdilia Formation (Fig. 1). Minor mineralization also occurs in rocks of the Svoula Group that outcrops within the southernmost extension of the young Paleozoic to early Mesozoic Circum Rhodope Belt (Kaufmann et al. 1976; Schunemann 1986), which constitutes a tectonic juxtaposition to the Servo-Macedonian massif in the west (Fig. 1).

The Vertiskos Formation is a NW-SE trending highly deformed and polymetamorphosed heterogeneous assemblage of conformable two-mica gneisses, augen gneisses, amphibolites, metaophiolitic rock complexes, and later granitic bodies (Kockel et al. 1977; Papadopoulos 1982; Dixon and Dimitriadis 1984; Sakellariou 1988). Studies of protoliths of the Vertiskos Formation indicate that the two-mica gneisses are of either volcano-sedimentary or sedimentary origin, and that the amphibolites are the metamorphic equivalents of basic tholeiitic rocks (Fournaraki 1981; Kougoulis 1986; Sakellariou 1988; Kougoulis et al. 1989). The Svoula Group consists of fossiliferous marbles of Upper Triassic age (Kaufmann et al. 1976) overlain by a metamorphosed flysch facies of Lower Jurassic age consisting of phyllitic and psammitic rocks, and quartzites (Kockel et al. 1977).

Regional metamorphic grade in the Vertiskos Formation reached a peak of amphibolite facies during Late Jurassic to Early Cretaceous times attaining pressures and temperatures of 5–8 kbar and 600–700 °C (Kockel et al. 1977; Papadopoulos 1982; Dixon and Dimitriadis 1984; Papadopoulos and Kiliadis 1985; Patras et al. 1986; Sakellariou 1988). Evidence for a higher metamorphic grade, probably Hercynian (?) eclogite facies, exists locally (Sakellariou 1988; Dimitriadis and Godelitsas 1991). The main tectonometamorphic event was followed by retrogression to the greenschist facies (upper and middle-lower) (Fournaraki 1981; Kougoulis 1986; Frei 1986; Sakellariou 1988) and Tertiary calc-alkaline magmatism. Conditions during the retrogressive greenschist facies were 4–5 kbar and 500–550 °C and 2–3 kbar and 350–450 °C for the upper and middle-lower conditions, respectively (Sakellariou 1988). The Svoula Group rocks have only been metamorphosed to the greenschist-amphibolite facies transition (Frei 1986).

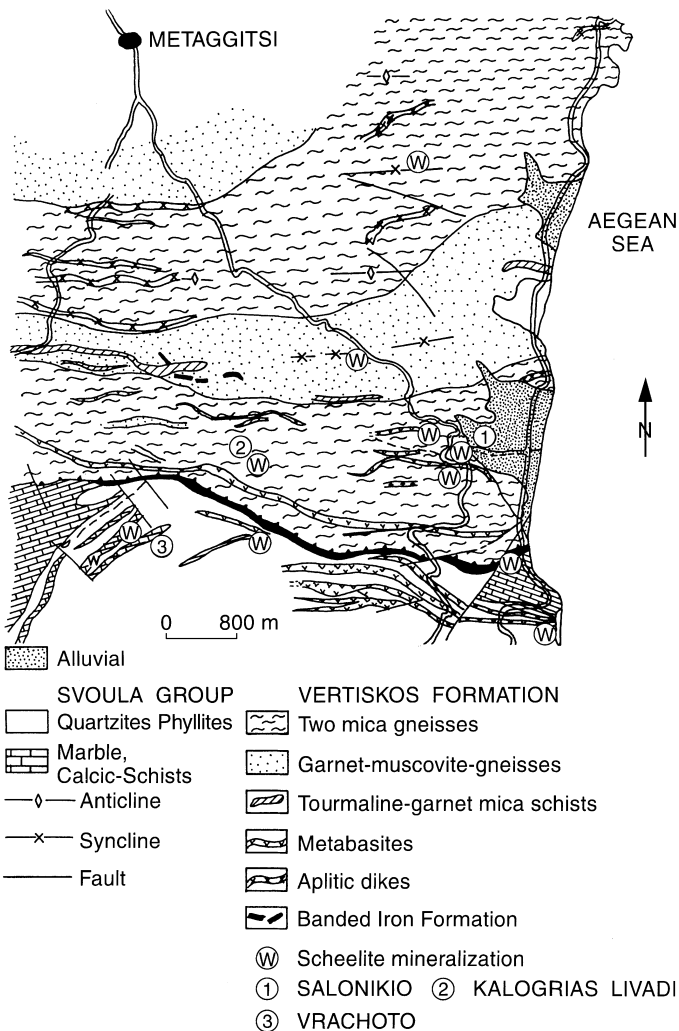
The Tertiary calc-alkaline magmatism is exemplified by the Sithonia pluton (Rb-Sr model age of  $50.4 \pm 0.7$  Ma by Christofides et al. (1990)), and the Ierissos pluton (uraninite age of  $54.5 \pm 0.3$  Ma by Frei (1992)). The older (U-Pb-zircon age of  $212 \pm 7$  Ma of Vital (1986)) Arnea granitic intrusion (Fig. 1) is thought to have been tectonically emplaced (Kockel et al. 1977).

**Local geology**

The geology of the Metaggitsi area has been described by Brauer (1984) and Veranis and Bitzios (1984). The following account is based upon these sources in conjunction with personal field and microscope studies.

The Vertiskos Formation in the study area consists of: (1) E-W trending two-mica gneisses, and intercalated tourmaline, and/or garnet-bearing mica-schists, of possible pelitic protoliths; (2) amphibolites with compositions suggestive of basaltic precursors intercalated with biotite-epidote schists interpreted as basic metatuffs, and (3) various muscovite-feldspathic schists of meta-volcanic (metarhyolites, metarhyodacites) origin. Locally the tourmaline-bearing garnet-mica schists and the feldspathic schists are intercalated with cherts containing up to 0.5 m thick lenses of banded iron formation (BIF) (Fig. 2). Rare aplitic dikes were observed cutting the metamorphic lithologies in the area. The Svoula Group in the area consists of the following lithologies (Fig. 2): calcic schists, sericitic marble and phyllites of sedimentary origin, and epidote-actinolite-chlorite schists and feldspathic schists derived from felsic to intermediate volcanic precursors.

The rocks of both the Vertiskos Formation and Svoula Group in the region experienced two major ( $D_1$  and  $D_2$ ) and two minor secondary ( $D_3$  and  $D_4$ ) phases of deformation.  $D_1$  generated the



**Fig. 2** Simplified geological map of the Metaggitsi area, central Chalkidiki Peninsula (Veranis and Bitzios 1984)

main, nearly E-W trending axial plane ( $S_1$ ) schistosity in the region, whereas  $D_2$  was a shearing deformation characterized by folding of the  $S_1$  schistosity; it generated the major E-W trending regional anticlinal structure (Fig. 2). The last stages of the  $D_2$  event or successive local scale  $D_3$  and  $D_4$  events are characterized by kink-banding deformation.

Mineralogical and textural data for the metabasites have revealed a retrograde, medium-grade amphibolite to low-grade greenschist facies metamorphism. The retrogressive greenschist facies was the last metamorphism to affect the lithologies in the area and is concomitant with the  $D_1$  deformation. Comparative data suggest that this  $D_1$  event is compatible with the last regional greenschist facies at pressures and temperatures of 2–3 kbar and 350–450 °C, respectively.  $D_2$  was not associated with the formation of new minerals.

## Tungsten mineralization

The rocks of the Metaggitsi area host two types of scheelite mineralization: a major vein-type, and a minor stratabound disseminated type.

Vein-type scheelite mineralization is contained within a complex swarm of quartz veins occupying fractures in the gneisses and schists, as well as in the amphibolites and basic metatuffs, in the Salonikio and Kalogrias-Livadi locations (Fig. 2). Veins at Salonikio trend NE-SW to E-W and crosscut, at low angles, the main schistosity of the hosting lithologies. At Kalogrias Livadi, cross-cutting veins strike N-S to NE-SW. Veins measure up to 1 km in length (Kalogrias-Livadi) and are from a few centimetres to 1 m wide. Chemical assays from the veins at Salonikio indicate grades up to 0.5%  $WO_3$  and less than 20 ppb Au.

Disseminated microcrystalline scheelite mineralization occurs parallel to schistosity of the basic metatuffs hosting the vein mineralization, at a small distance from the veins. Background concentration of W in the host metabasites, away from the

mineralization and without microscopic scheelite, is about 100 ppm. Microscopic scheelite is concentrated within a narrow zone of 10 cm around the veins where the level of W increases to about 500 ppm. The host metabasites have high geochemical background of 100 ppm W which increases to about 500 ppm near the veins (N. Veranis, personal communication).

Wall-rock alteration around veins is moderate and is more visible in the gneiss than in other host rocks. It is characterized by thin (2–3 cm) quartz-muscovite ( $\pm$  scheelite) selvages. Mineralogical changes have typically resulted in the destruction of plagioclase that is replaced by quartz and muscovite.

Scheelite also occurs in 0.2 to 5 cm wide quartz veinlets in the Svoula silicified marble in the Vrachoto area together with subordinate amounts of epidote and calcite.

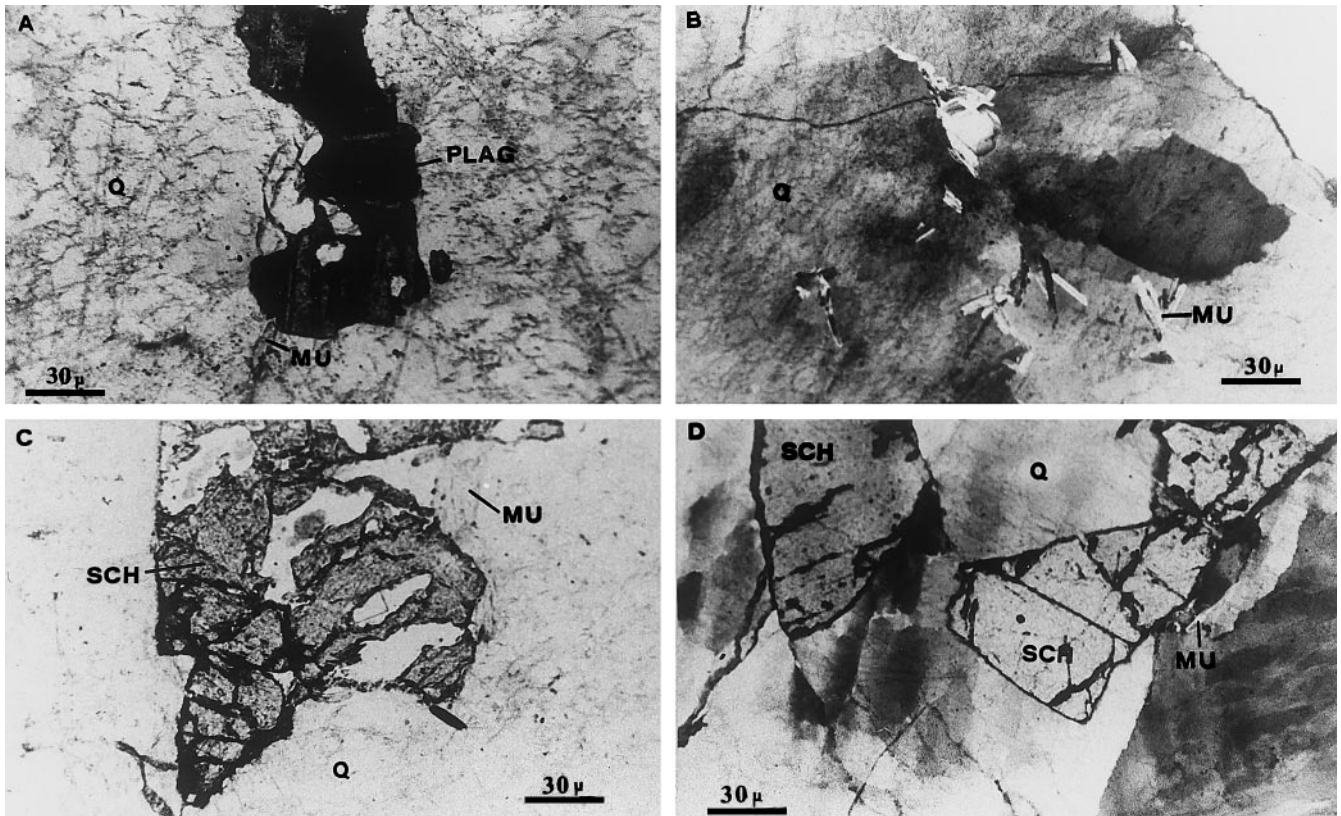
## Vein mineralogy

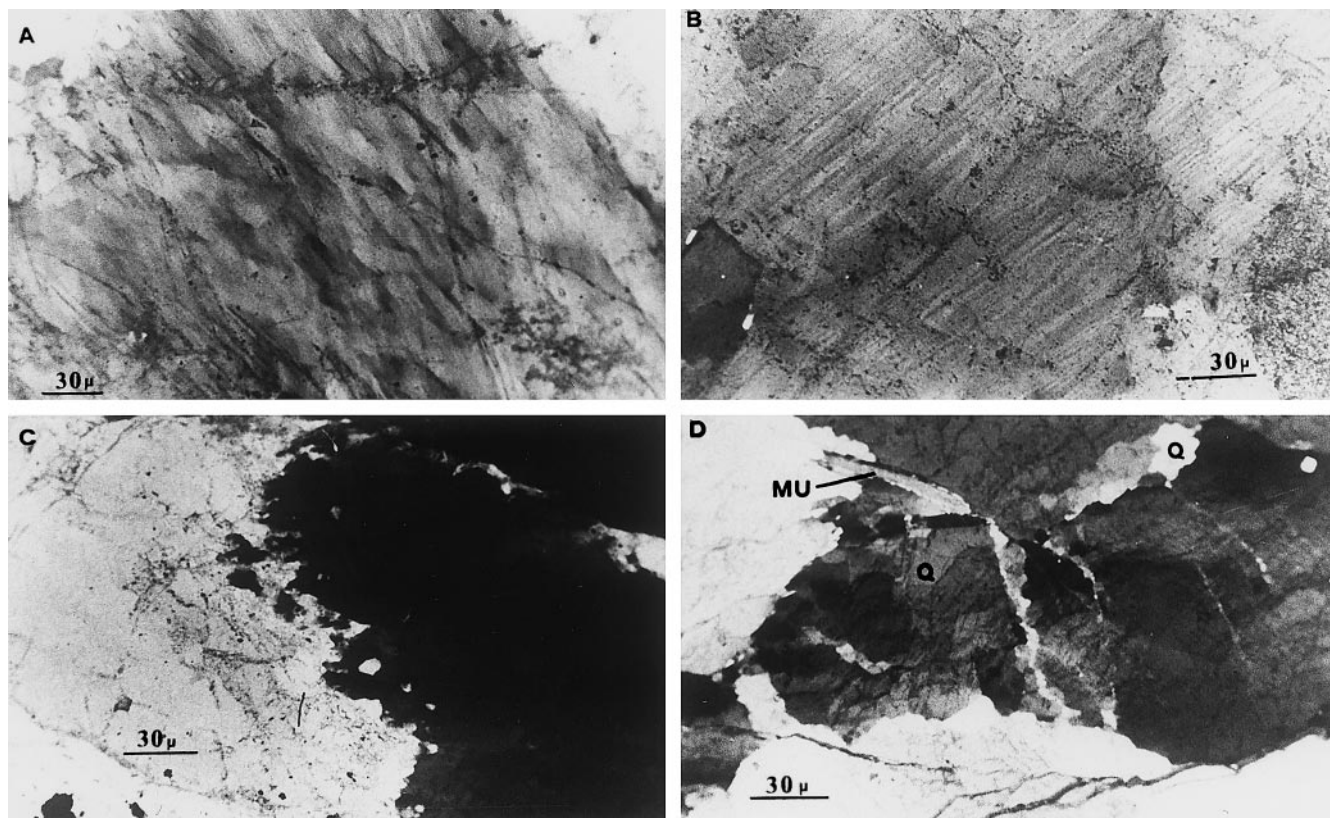
Quartz comprises about 95% of the veins. Scheelite occupies less than 1% by volume with other tungstates, muscovite, plagioclase, and minor sulfides and oxides being the principal accessories and locally accounting for up to 4%.

## Tungstates

Scheelite in the gneiss-hosted veins is found as equant to elongate, anhedral to subhedral crystals up to 1 cm in length having straight to slightly curved borders with the host quartz (Fig. 3C, D).

**Fig. 3A–D** Photomicrographs of vein paragenesis minerals and textures. **A** Undeformed twinned albite plagioclase (PLAG) in contact with muscovite (MU). **B** Randomly oriented crystals and monomineralic radiating crystal aggregates of muscovite (MU). **C** Polished section showing fractured scheelite (SCH) crystal in contact with muscovite (MU). Whitish patches are polishing effects due to removal of scheelite. **D** Fractured scheelite showing undulose extinction, Q vein quartz





Scheelite crystals show undulose extinction and microfractures (Fig. 3C, D). The occurrence of scheelite in the marble-hosted veinlets is similar but the veinlets are also folded. Electron microprobe analyses (Kiliyas 1991) show that scheelite may contain less than 1 wt.% Mo. In addition subhedral grains of Mo-stolzite ( $\text{Pb}_{0.99}(\text{Mo}_{0.39}\text{W}_{0.60})\text{O}_4$ ) were found. Both scheelite and Mo-stolzite have been replaced along fractures by stolzite ( $\text{Pb}_{0.96}\text{Ca}_{0.04}\text{WO}_4$ ). Minor arsenopyrite, pyrite and iron oxides are also found in veins.

#### Gangue

Quartz occurs in at least two generations in the paragneiss-hosted veins: (1) type I quartz with slight to moderate undulose extinction (Fig. 4A) with local sutured boundaries (Fig. 4C) and rarely fine lamellae which may be attributed to translation gliding phenomena (Fig. 4B) (Deer et al. 1966); (2) local subgrains and fine-grained recrystallized aggregates of quartz around grains with undulose extinction indicating incipient recrystallization (Fig. 4D); evidence of this type is rare.

On the basis of crystal interrelationships and similar deformation textures there is reasonable confidence that deposition of scheelite is coeval with type I quartz. Undeformed, twinned laths of albite to oligoclase occur in the veins in association with muscovite and quartz (Fig. 3A). Undeformed muscovite laths occur in association with scheelite (Fig. 3C, D), in monomineralic radiating aggregates within quartz crystals (Fig. 3B), and as isolated laths (Fig. 4D) crosscutting quartz grain boundaries.

## Fluid inclusion study

### Materials and methods

General fluid inclusion compositions and phase proportions were deduced from microscopy and microthermometry of type I quartz

**Fig. 4A–D** Photomicrographs of deformation microtextures in vein quartz. **A** Undulose extinction. **B** Translation gliding expressed as fine lamellae. **C** Sutured boundary between anhedral quartz crystals. **D** Fine grained recrystallized quartz aggregates around larger crystals with undulose extinction

and scheelite grains in 40 doubly polished 150–300  $\mu\text{m}$  thick chips from scheelite-bearing quartz samples from both the Salonikio and Kalogrias Livadi locations. In addition, the gaseous phases in a smaller number of the fluid inclusions were analyzed by Raman microprobe spectrometry. Finally, the  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  isotope composition of inclusion fluids was obtained on 12 of the scheelite-bearing samples.

### Microthermometry

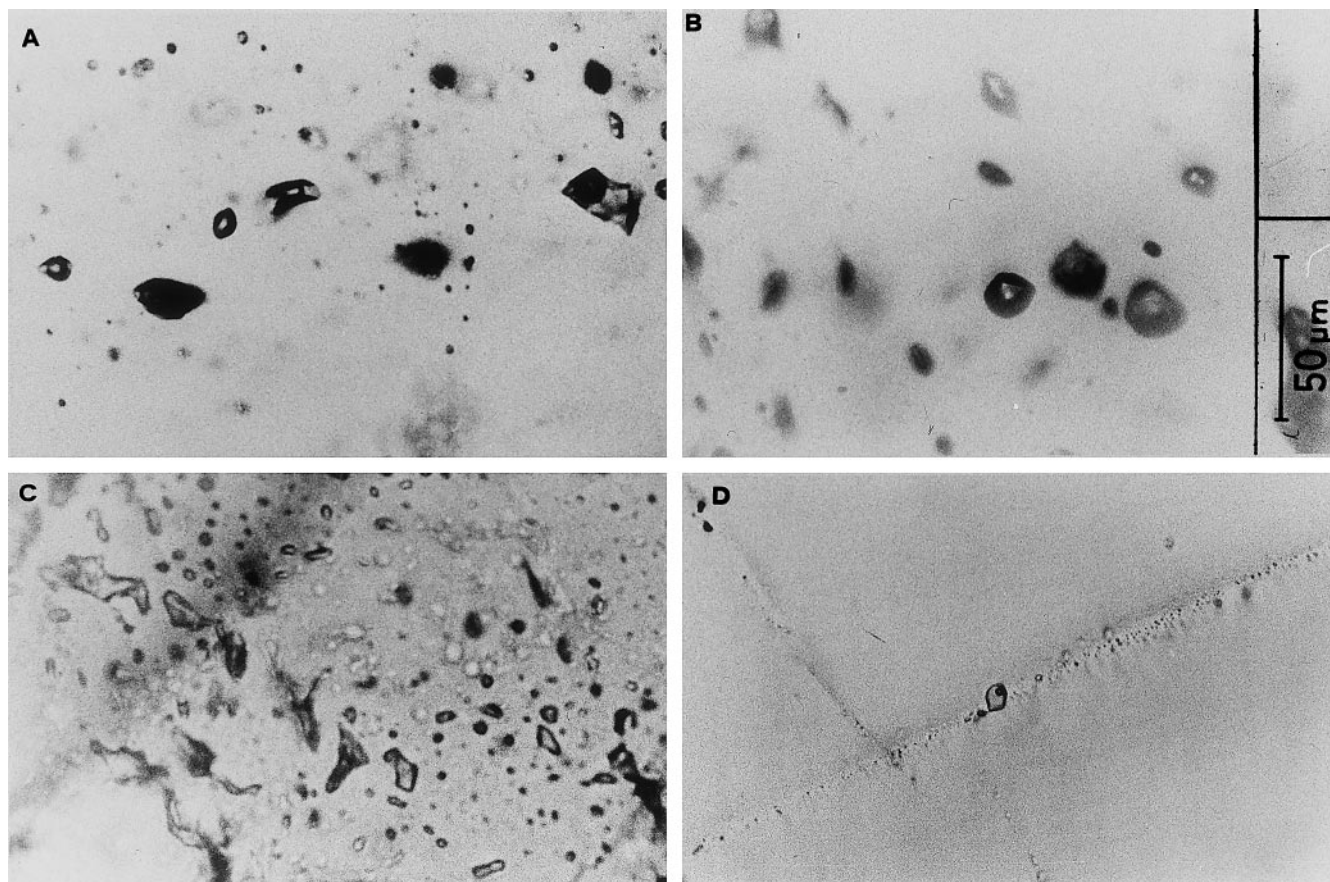
Microthermometry was performed with a Chaixmecca heating and freezing stage (Poty et al. 1976), calibrated using commercially available chemical standards, at the Petrological Institute, University of Copenhagen, Denmark. The accuracy of measurements was determined to be better than  $\pm 0.5$   $^{\circ}\text{C}$  over the temperature range of  $-70$   $^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $+30$   $^{\circ}\text{C}$  and  $\pm 5$   $^{\circ}\text{C}$  for higher temperatures.

### Raman microprobe spectrometry

Analysis of the non-aqueous part of a smaller number of fluid inclusions was performed with a Jobin-Yvon MOLE Raman microprobe (Delhaye and Dhamecourt 1975) at the CREGU, Nancy, France, using the 514.5 nm green line from a 5 W Spectra-Physics ionized argon laser as exciting radiation. A Leitz PLX100 water immersion objective was used.

### $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ isotope analysis

The  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  isotope values of  $\text{CO}_2$  contained in fluid inclusions from twelve (12) scheelite-bearing quartz samples were measured on a



Micromass 602C double collecting dual gas-feed mass spectrometer at the Department of Geochemistry, University of Utrecht, The Netherlands. Each sample selected for isotopic analysis was first examined petrographically to determine that it contained predominantly one type of fluid inclusion (see also Fig. 5A, C). Then fluid inclusions were opened by crushing 40–50 g sample under vacuum in copper tubes. The CO<sub>2</sub> was condensed in a liquid nitrogen cooled trap, and the non-condensable gases were removed. Subsequently, the CO<sub>2</sub> was separated at acetone melting temperature (−94.6 °C) and collected for mass spectrometry analysis. Semi-quantitative analyses of the fluid inclusion gases extracted for carbon isotope analyses using the scan facilities of the stable isotope mass spectrometer confirmed that the separated condensate was CO<sub>2</sub>. Replicate analyses on different parts of eight quartz samples deviate from 0.0 to 0.5‰, suggesting acquisition of carbon isotope data with sufficient resolution.

#### Compositional types of fluid inclusions

Fluid inclusion data were obtained from the examination of 40 fluid inclusion wafers prepared from type I quartz and scheelite from both the Salonikio and Kalogrias Livadi locations. Three types of fluid inclusions have been identified both in type I quartz and scheelite: mixed type aqueous-carbonic inclusions (type 1), carbon dioxide inclusions (type 2), and aqueous inclusions (type 3):

Type 1 aqueous-carbonic fluid inclusions are characterized at room temperature by visible amounts of both undersaturated aqueous liquid plus carbon dioxide and consist either of three phases (liquid H<sub>2</sub>O + liquid

**Fig. 5A–D** Fluid inclusion characteristics. **A** Primary type 1 inclusions with highly variable CO<sub>2</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>O volume ratios coexisting with type 2 inclusions in quartz. **B** Primary type 1 inclusions in scheelite, obstructed observation is due to internal reflections. **C** Three-dimensional cluster largely composed of monophase liquid CO<sub>2</sub> type 2 inclusions in quartz. **D** Healed fracture containing secondary type 3 aqueous inclusions in quartz

CO<sub>2</sub> + CO<sub>2</sub>-rich vapour) or two phases (liquid H<sub>2</sub>O + CO<sub>2</sub>-rich liquid/vapour) (Fig. 5A). The vol.% of the CO<sub>2</sub> phase, as estimated visually at +30 °C, range from 20 to 90, but most inclusions contain between 30 and 50 vol.% CO<sub>2</sub>. A few type 1 inclusions contain unidentified trapped non-metallic solids of various shapes and sizes.

Type 2 CO<sub>2</sub> fluid inclusions are present at room temperature either as one-phase liquid inclusions that nucleate a vapour bubble on cooling (Fig. 5C), or as two-phase (liquid + vapour) inclusions. Although not visually observed, some of the CO<sub>2</sub> inclusions contain a film of water lining the inclusion walls, as indicated by clathrate hydrate melting characteristics (see later).

Type 3 aqueous fluid inclusions at room temperature contain both a liquid and a vapour phase. The vapour bubble typically occupies 10–30 vol.% of the inclusion volume. Clathrate hydrate melting characteristics observed in a small number of type 3 inclusions (see later), however, indicate that some of the type 3 inclusions actually contain traces of CO<sub>2</sub> (up to 2.2 mol%) (Hedenquist and Henley 1985).

Type 1 inclusions are by far the most abundant followed by types 3 and 2 in decreasing frequency of occurrence. All inclusion types may have regular, elliptical, rounded or negative crystal shapes, or may be irregular. Most fluid inclusions are small with sizes ranging between 10 and 20  $\mu\text{m}$  in their longest dimension.

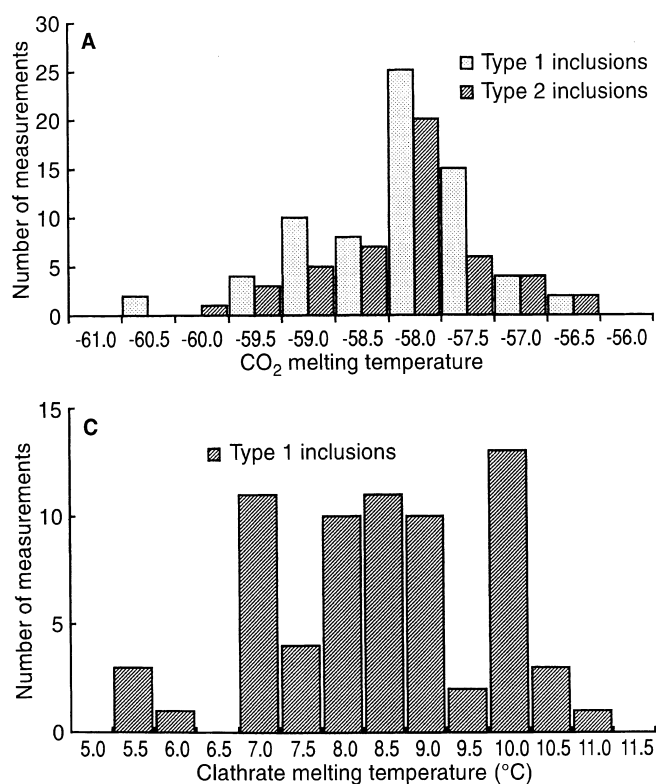
#### Occurrence of fluid inclusions

Almost all the studied fluid inclusions are hosted by clear grains or crystal domains of type I quartz and intimately associated scheelite grains. Type II quartz is too fine-grained to contain workable inclusions.

Fluid inclusions in quartz may occur as: (a) irregular seemingly random clusters of inclusion types 1, 2, and 3, (b) single isolated type 1 inclusions, (c) irregular groups of type 1 inclusions with different volume %  $\text{CO}_2$ , (d) irregular clusters only containing types 1 or 2 inclusions (Fig. 5C). These types of fluid inclusion occurrences conform to those suggested for primary inclusions (Roedder 1984). Most type 3 inclusions occur as trails along narrow healed fractures (Fig. 5D) and are of secondary origin.

Fluid inclusions in scheelite appear mostly dark due to internal reflections (Fig. 5B) and occur either in random clusters (primary inclusions) or in short planar arrays within individual grains (pseudosecondary inclusions).

No systematic differences were observed in fluid inclusion characteristics in the different samples or between the Salonikio and the Kalogrias-Livadi locations.



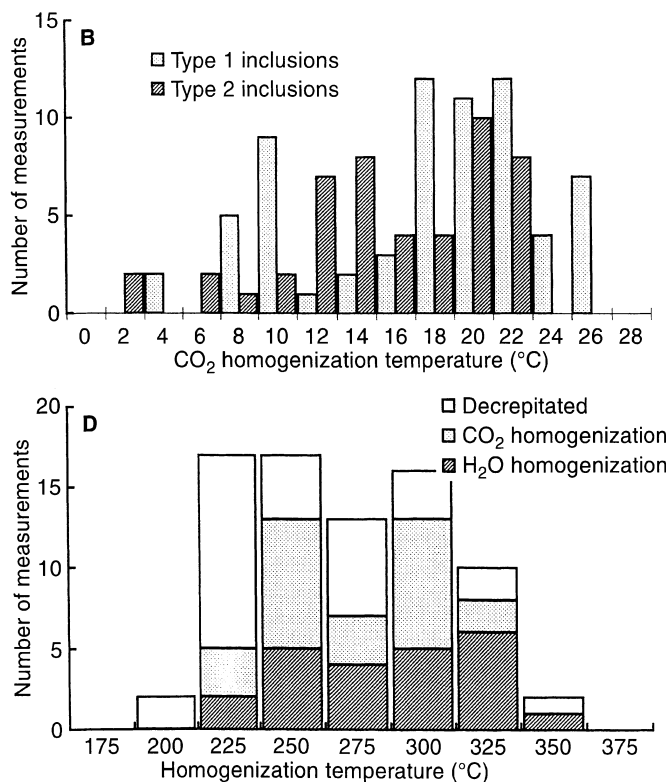
#### Microthermometry results

Only primary or pseudosecondary inclusions were selected for microthermometry work, and most data were obtained on fluid inclusions in quartz I.

#### Type 1 aqueous-carbonic inclusions

Melting temperatures of solid  $\text{CO}_2$  ( $T_m \text{CO}_2$ ) in type 1 inclusions (Fig. 6A) range from  $-60.4^\circ\text{C}$  to  $-56.5^\circ\text{C}$ , suggesting the presence of gas other than  $\text{CO}_2$  alone. The low-temperature behaviour of the carbonic phase indicated the additional component to be  $\text{CH}_4$ . This was confirmed by Raman Microprobe Spectrometry (see later). Homogenization temperatures of the  $\text{CO}_2$  liquid and vapour phases ( $T_h \text{CO}_2$ ) show a considerable range from  $+4.5$  to  $+26.7^\circ\text{C}$ , with a bimodal distribution (Fig. 6B). The  $\text{CO}_2$  liquid and vapour phases homogenized to the liquid phase except for two inclusions that showed homogenization to the vapour phase at  $+18^\circ\text{C}$  and  $+26^\circ\text{C}$  (not included in Fig. 6B). Finally, four critical homogenizations were observed between  $+26.5^\circ\text{C}$  and  $28^\circ\text{C}$ . This departure from the critical

**Fig. 6A–D** Low and high temperature microthermometry data on type 1 and 2 inclusions as indicated in the diagrams. **A** Temperatures of final melting of  $\text{CO}_2$ . **B** Temperatures of homogenization of  $\text{CO}_2$  liquid and vapour; all homogenizations into the liquid phase. **C** Temperatures of final melting of clathrate in type 1 inclusions. **D** Temperatures of homogenization to liquid (L) or vapour (V), and temperatures of decrepitation of type 1 inclusions



temperature of +31.2 °C for pure CO<sub>2</sub> can similarly be attributed to the presence of CH<sub>4</sub> (Burruss 1981).

Interpreted in terms of binary CO<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>4</sub> compositions, the combined melting and homogenization temperatures of the carbonic phase indicate contents of CH<sub>4</sub> ranging from 2 to 17 mol %, and the critical homogenization temperatures suggest contents between 3 and 5 mol % CH<sub>4</sub> (van den Kerkhof 1990). The homogenization temperatures and compositions of the carbonic fluids correspond to densities from 0.75 to 0.85 g/cc. These homogenization temperatures correspond to CO<sub>2</sub> densities ranging from 0.68 to 0.90 g/cc (median value 0.78 g/cc) (Fig. 6B) (Angus et al. 1976).

Initial and final melting temperatures of ice were very difficult to observe due to the small size of the inclusions and has not been recorded. Temperatures of melting of clathrate hydrate (T<sub>m</sub> Clath) in the presence of both liquid and vapour CO<sub>2</sub> range from +5.5 °C to 11.1 °C (Fig. 6C). The deviations of univariant clathrate hydrate melting temperatures from that at +10.1 °C in the pure CO<sub>2</sub>-H<sub>2</sub>O system may be due to the presence of salts (e.g. NaCl) and CH<sub>4</sub>. Interpreted in terms of ternary H<sub>2</sub>O-NaCl-CO<sub>2</sub> compositions, the clathrate hydrate melting temperatures recorded below +10.1 °C correspond to salinities between 0.2 and 8.3 equivalent weight % NaCl (median value 3.9 equivalent weight % NaCl) (Collins 1979). The few clathrate melting temperatures higher than 10.1 °C are attributed to the presence of CH<sub>4</sub> in addition to CO<sub>2</sub> (Burruss 1981). In view of the indicated presence of CH<sub>4</sub> in most type 1 inclusions, the salinities of the aqueous phase given represent minimum values.

Total homogenization temperatures for type 1 inclusions vary between 220 °C and 345 °C and homogenization to both liquid and vapour was observed (Fig. 6D); homogenization to liquid occurred in the range 220 °C to 315 °C (median value 273 °C) and homogenization to vapour occurred between 220 °C to 345 °C (median value 293 °C). Homogenization temperatures in either phase cluster between 240 °C to 310 °C. A large number of the inclusions decrepitated before anticipated homogenization (estimated visually) at temperatures ranging from 188 °C to 336 °C (median value 250 °C) (Fig. 6D) demonstrating that decrepitation occurred at temperatures very close to total homogenization.

Due to the difficulties in observing phase changes in inclusions in scheelite because of internal reflections, microthermometry data from scheelite-hosted inclusions are limited. However, no systematic difference in microthermometry data was found between quartz and the limited workable scheelite-hosted inclusions and the data have therefore been treated collectively.

#### Type 2 carbonic fluid inclusions

CO<sub>2</sub> melting and homogenization temperatures for type 2 fluid inclusions are included in Fig. 6A, B, respec-

tively. Melting temperatures range from -59.5 °C to -56.6 °C and indicate the presence of small amounts of CH<sub>4</sub> in some of the inclusions. A large spread in homogenization temperatures is observed (Fig. 6B) both within the individual sample and among samples. All homogenizations occurred in the liquid phase and correspond to densities from 0.78 to 0.88 g/cc (Angus et al. 1976).

#### Type 3 aqueous fluid inclusions

Temperatures of final melting of ice (Fig. 7A) in type 3 inclusions range from -5.5 °C to -0.3 °C (median value -3.0 °C) indicating salinities of 0 to 8.5 equivalent weight % NaCl (median value 5%) (Potter et al. 1978). Temperatures of first melting of ice at temperatures between -22 °C and -30 °C suggest the presence of dissolved KCl and/or CaCl<sub>2</sub>/MgCl<sub>2</sub> in addition to NaCl (Crawford 1981). A few inclusions showed melting phenomena at temperatures above 0 °C and are interpreted in terms of low CO<sub>2</sub> contents in these type 3 inclusions (Hedenquist and Henley 1985); this was later confirmed by Raman analyses (see later). Temperatures of homogenization (always to the liquid phase) were between 110 °C and 233 °C (Fig. 7B); temperatures show two distinct peaks at 150 °C and 240 °C. The higher temperature peak corresponds to those type 3 inclusions coexisting with type 1 inclusions; some of these also exhibited clathrate melting phenomena. The lower temperature peak corresponds to apparently sec-

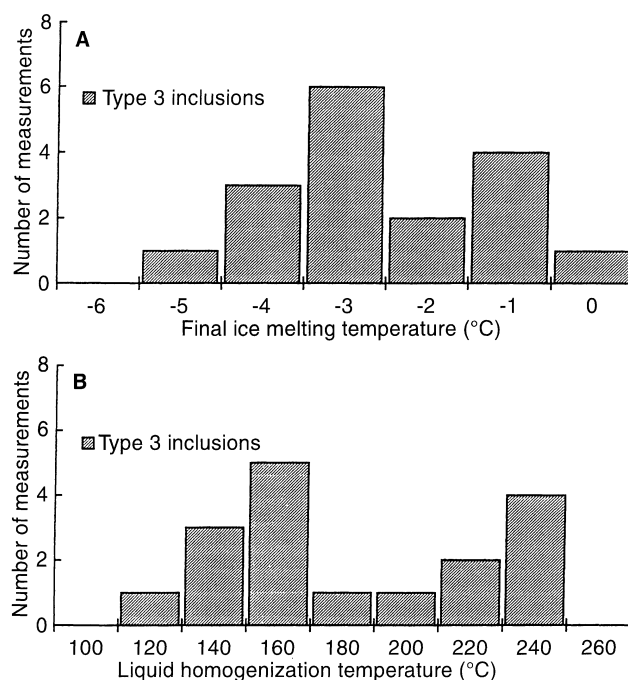


Fig. 7A, B Microthermometry data on type 3 inclusions in quartz. **A** Temperatures of final ice melting in type 3 inclusions. **B** Temperatures of homogenization (to liquid) of type 3 inclusions

ondary type 3 inclusions with irregular and serrated outlines exclusively occurring in healed fractures.

The aqueous type 3 inclusions have a density range of 0.80 to 0.99 g/cc (median value 0.93 g/cc) when calculated using the Ramboz et al. (1985) method. The possible presence of up to 2.2 mol% CO<sub>2</sub> in some of these inclusions would decrease the density by 0.03–0.05 g/cc.

### Raman microprobe analysis

The composition of the carbonic, non-aqueous part of a small number of selected fluid inclusions previously examined by microthermometry was determined by Raman microprobe spectrometry. The results are presented in Table 1 together with the microthermometry data obtained on the same fluid inclusions. The measurements were always made at a temperature slightly higher than homogenization of the CO<sub>2</sub> phases. Although a search was made for a range of gaseous species, only two gases were identified by their Raman lines: CO<sub>2</sub> ( $\nu = 1388 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) and CH<sub>4</sub> ( $\nu = 2917 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) (Herzberg 1951). A high Raman signal ( $30\,000 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) in some inclusions suggested the presence of fluorescent hydrocarbons (naphthalene?).

In Table 1, the Raman analyses in terms of CO<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>4</sub> compositions are presented together with estimates of the CO<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>4</sub> compositions based on the microthermometry data. Inspection of Table 1 shows that the CH<sub>4</sub> contents estimated from microthermometry were always higher than those obtained from Raman spectrometry.

### Compositions, bulk densities and molar volumes of type 1 inclusions

The molar fractions of H<sub>2</sub>O, CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub> and NaCl, and the bulk densities and molar volumes of the examined fluid inclusions were calculated using the Ramboz et al. (1985) method and the Raman spectrometry and microthermometry data. The results are given in Table 2 for the eight inclusions presented in Table 1.

In Fig. 8, bulk inclusion densities and total homogenization temperatures of type 1 inclusions are presented. Calculated bulk densities range from 0.79 to 0.99 g/cc (median value 0.90 g/cc) (Fig. 8A). A negative correlation between the bulk density and bulk CO<sub>2</sub> molar composition in the H<sub>2</sub>O-CO<sub>2</sub>-NaCl system is indicated for type 1 inclusions (Fig. 8A); possibly two trends can be identified, one at higher and one at lower bulk densities for intermediate and high contents of mole% CO<sub>2</sub>. The CH<sub>4</sub> content of the non-aqueous part (generally less than 2 mol% of bulk inclusion fluid) was ignored but this does not introduce any significant errors in the calculations (e.g. Konnerup-Madsen et al. 1985, Bottrell et al. 1988).

**Table 1** Microthermometry data and the compositional and physical data calculated from the microthermometry data for eight(8) representative fluid inclusions in scheelite-bearing quartz

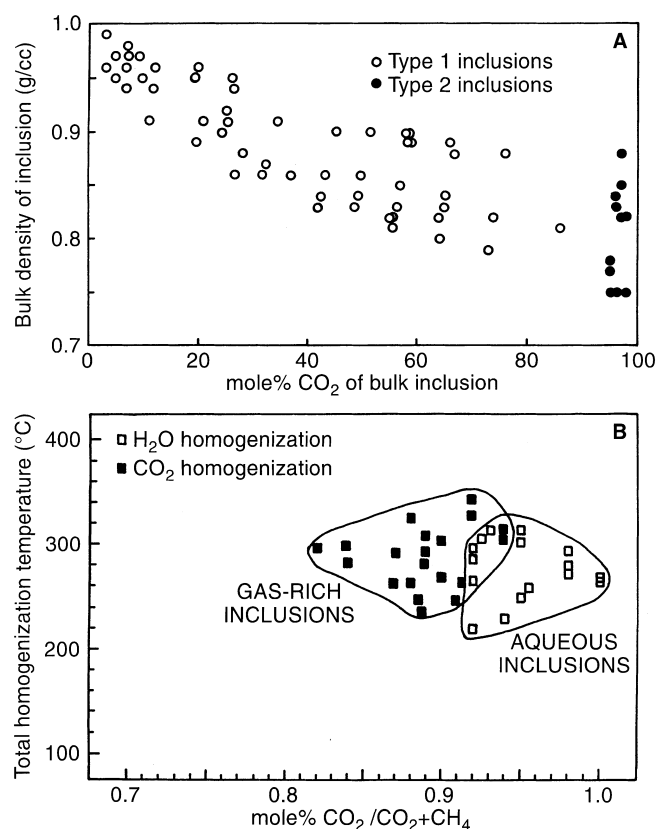
Inclusion number	Type	Volume % gas (CO <sub>2</sub> /CH <sub>4</sub> )	Microthermometry data (°C)			Aqueous fluid		Mol% CH <sub>4</sub> and molar volume of CO <sub>2</sub> -CH <sub>4</sub> fluid		
			Tm, CO <sub>2</sub>	Tm, Clath	Th, CO <sub>2</sub> (L)	wt. % NaCl	Density, g/cc	Microthermometry	Raman	Molar volume, cm <sup>3</sup>
1	1	90	-57.3	8.0	17.0	3.95	1.029	3.8	1.7	57.9
2	1	45	-60.0	-10.8	3.0	—	—	17.2	7.8	54.1
3	1	45	-57.3	8.3	19.0	3.00	1.017	3.7	0.7	56.4
4	1	10	-58.2	9.2	20.0	1.63	1.007	9.0	1.5	67.1
5	1	25	-57.8	8.0	17.0	3.95	1.022	4.0	0.8	62.5
6	1	90	-56.8	8.0	20.6	3.95	1.030	1.8	0.2	59.6
7	2	95	-57.5	8.5	9.0	2.30	1.020	5.1	0.6	54.7
8	3	25	—	—	—	0.40	—	—	—	—

Tm, CO<sub>2</sub>: melting temperature of solid CO<sub>2</sub>, Tm, Clath: melting temperature of clathrate hydrate, Th, CO<sub>2</sub>: homogenization temperature of CO<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>4</sub> phase, L: homogenization in liquid phase



**Table 2** Raman microprobe spectrometry results and calculated bulk fluid inclusion physical and chemical data for the same inclusions in quartz listed in Table 1

Inclusion		Raman spectroscopy		Bulk density and molar volume		Bulk chemical composition, mol%			
Number	Type	Mol% CO <sub>2</sub>	Mol% CH <sub>4</sub>	g/cc	cc/mole	H <sub>2</sub> O	NaCl	CO <sub>2</sub>	CH <sub>4</sub>
1	1	98.3	1.7	0.78	47.5	25.5	0.4	72.5	1.5
2	1	92.2	7.8	0.95	25.5	73.2	–	24.9	1.9
3	1	99.2	0.8	0.91	25.9	76.4	0.7	22.5	0.2
4	1	98.5	1.5	0.99	19.3	92.8	0.9	6.2	0.03
5	1	99.2	0.8	0.94	22.7	87.1	1.4	11.3	0.09
6	1	99.7	0.3	0.80	43.1	34.5	0.7	64.6	0.1
7	2	99.3	0.7	0.89	39.9	32.5	0.2	69.9	0.5
8	3	96.3	3.7	0.77	24.4	96.6	–	3.3	–

**Fig. 8** **A** Bulk density (in g/cc) versus calculated mol% CO<sub>2</sub> content of type 1 and 2 inclusions. **B** Total homogenization temperature versus calculated mol% CO<sub>2</sub>/CO<sub>2</sub>+CH<sub>4</sub> content of type 1 inclusions

### Oxygen and carbon isotope analyses

The  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  values of ten scheelite-bearing quartz samples are presented in Table 3, together with the  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  composition of H<sub>2</sub>O in equilibrium with quartz at 250 °C and 350 °C, and the  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  isotope values of CO<sub>2</sub> extracted from fluid inclusions. For the measurement of  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  values, oxygen was liberated by reaction with BrF<sub>5</sub>, and O<sub>2</sub> converted to CO<sub>2</sub> before mass-spectrometric analysis (Clayton and Mayeda 1963). Mass-spectrometry was performed on a Varian MAT 250 Triple collector instrument at the Geological Institute, University

of Copenhagen, Denmark. Replicate determinations were done on 50% of the presented analyses and the mean deviation was 0.2‰.

The  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  value (in SMOW per mil) of quartz from the two scheelite mineralizations examined show a narrow range from 11.7 to 12.6, with no significant difference between the two mineralizations.

The  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  value (in PDB) per mil of CO<sub>2</sub> extracted from fluid inclusions range from -0.7 to +0.5, except for two values at +3.4 and +4.3 from the Kalogrias-Livadi mineralization (Table 3).

### Discussion of results

Three types of fluid inclusions have been observed in both type I quartz and scheelite in quartz-veins from the scheelite mineralizations in the Metagitsi area: type 1 aqueous-carbonic inclusions, type 2 carbon dioxide inclusions, and type 3 aqueous inclusions. The three types of fluid inclusions coexist in the same setting in most samples. This suggests a general contemporaneity of the three primary or pseudosecondary types of fluids. Textural observations furthermore suggest that type I quartz and scheelite have coprecipitated and that the fluids represented by primary types 1 and 2 inclusions represent the fluids from which scheelite precipitated. The compositional continuum shown in Fig. 8A strongly suggests close genetic relationship and contemporaneity among these fluids.

Decrepitation pressures of 1.6 kbar for the 10  $\mu\text{m}$  type 1 inclusions, and 1.2 kbar for 20  $\mu\text{m}$  type 1 inclusions were calculated on the basis of experimental data on the relationship between inclusion size and the decrepitation pressure of fluid inclusions in natural quartz (Bodnar et al. 1989). Considering that fluid inclusions in this study homogenize very close to their decrepitation point (Fig. 6D), it is suggested that minimum homogenization pressures were between 1.2 and 1.6 kbar. The FLINCOR (Brown 1989) program was used to calculate the pressure at homogenization for type 1 inclusions. Using the Brown and Lamb (1989) equation of state, calculated pressures range from 1.1 to 3.5 kbar and cluster around a median value of 2.2 kbar.

**Table 3** Isotopic composition of oxygen ( $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  SMOW, per mil) of quartz and calculated coexisting  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  at 250 °C and 350 °C, and of carbon ( $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  PDB, per mil) from fluid inclusions in quartz

Location	Sample	$\delta^{18}\text{O}$ of quartz	$\delta^{18}\text{O}$ SMOW (per mil)		$\delta^{13}\text{C}$ PDB (per mil)
			$\delta^{18}\text{O}$ of water (250 °C) <sup>a</sup>	$\delta^{18}\text{O}$ of water (350 °C) <sup>a</sup>	$\delta^{13}\text{C}$ of fluid inclusion
Salonikio	SALI 101	12.6	3.7	5.7	-0.7
Salonikio	SALG 102	12.1	3.2	5.1	-1.0
Salonikio	SALF 103	12.3	3.4	5.4	-1.0
Salonikio	SALH 104	—	—	—	0.5
Salonikio	SALE 106	11.7	2.8	4.8	-0.7
Salonikio	SALC 107	11.8	2.9	4.9	-0.9
Salonikio	SALA 108	12.3	3.4	5.4	-0.3
Kalog. Livadi	SAL 24	12.3	3.4	5.4	-0.4
Kalog. Livadi	SAL 28	11.7	2.8	4.8	-1.2
Kalog. Livadi	SAL 29	12.2	3.3	5.3	3.4
Kalog. Livadi	SAL 30	12.1	3.2	5.1	4.3
Vrachoto	SV 1	—	—	—	0.2

<sup>a</sup> Fractionation equation of Matsuhisa et al. (1979)

Coexisting type 1 inclusions with highly variable  $\text{CO}_2/\text{H}_2\text{O}$ - phase ratios which homogenize into the  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  or  $\text{CO}_2$  phase over the same temperature range (Fig. 6D) strongly suggests the existence of a fluid which has undergone  $\text{CO}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$  phase separation prior to or during entrapment as fluid inclusions (Ramboz et al. 1982). Further evidence that type 1 inclusions represent the products of immiscibility is provided by the partitioning of  $\text{CH}_4$ , and  $\text{CO}_2$ , into the gas-rich ( $\text{CO}_2$ -rich) type 1 inclusions, and the conformity of end-member compositions trapped in type 1 inclusions to chemical equilibrium fractionation, at the minimum measured temperatures of homogenization, and calculated homogenization pressures.

In the system  $\text{H}_2\text{O-CO}_2\text{-CH}_4\text{(-NaCl)}$  at the two-phase boundary, methane is strongly partitioned into the vapour ( $\text{CO}_2$ -rich) phase, under medium to high grade metamorphic conditions (Naden and Shepherd 1989). This trend is shown by type 1 inclusions with a relatively higher calculated bulk  $\text{CO}_2/\text{CO}_2 + \text{CH}_4$  molar ratio in the aqueous inclusions that homogenize into the  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  phase, and a relatively lower  $\text{CO}_2/\text{CO}_2 + \text{CH}_4$  ratio in the gas-rich inclusions that homogenize into the  $\text{CO}_2$  phase (Fig. 8B).

According to the principles of chemical equilibrium any chemical species should be distributed between two immiscible fluid phases L (aqueous type 1) and V (gas-rich type 1) according to:

$$K_D, i^{LV} = (X_i^V/X_i^L)_{P,T}$$

where  $K_D$ : distribution coefficient and  $X$ : composition of species  $i$  (Ramboz et al. 1982)

The distribution coefficients,  $K_D$ , for each chemical species, were calculated from calculated bulk molar compositions of pairs of selected type 1 inclusions with the lowest measured homogenization temperatures best representing inclusions that have trapped immiscible pure end-member compositions (or the smallest amount of additional phases) (Table 4). The  $K_D$ s display the distribution trend:  $K_D(\text{NaCl}) < K_D(\text{H}_2\text{O}) < K_D(\text{CO}_2)$

**Table 4** Calculated bulk molar compositions and properties of selected type 1 inclusions representing pure end-member fluids produced by immiscibility in the system  $\text{H}_2\text{O-CO}_2\text{-CH}_4\text{-NaCl}$  (see text for discussion)

	Pair 1		Pair 2	
$\text{H}_2\text{O}$	87.50 <sup>a</sup>	40.00 <sup>b</sup>	90.90 <sup>c</sup>	69.90 <sup>d</sup>
$\text{CO}_2$	10.90	54.90	6.90	27.10
$\text{NaCl}$	1.10	0.40	1.80	0.62
$\text{CH}_4$	0.50	4.70	0.40	2.50
Wt.% NaCl equivalent	3.94	2.80	5.76	2.80
Density (g/cc)	0.91	0.65	0.90	0.78
Molar volume (cc/mole)	32.45	62.21	34.82	46.86

<sup>a</sup> Aqueous inclusion,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  homogenization at Th: 220 °C, Ph: 2.4 kbar

<sup>b</sup> Gas-rich inclusion,  $\text{CO}_2$  homogenization at Th: 245 °C, Ph: 1.3 kbar

<sup>c</sup> Aqueous inclusion,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  homogenization at Th: 230 °C, Ph: 2.6 kbar

<sup>d</sup> Gas-rich inclusion,  $\text{CO}_2$  homogenization at Th: 253 °C, Ph: 2.0 kbar

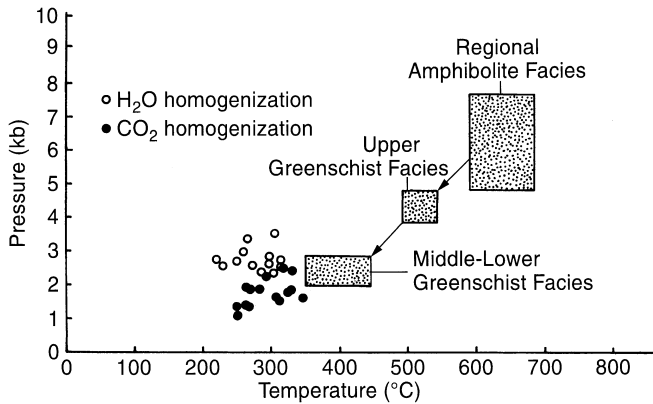
**Table 5** Chemical distribution coefficients ( $K_D$ ), calculated from data in Table 4 showing the relative trend  $K_D(\text{NaCl}) < K_D(\text{H}_2\text{O}) < K_D(\text{CO}_2) < K_D(\text{CH}_4)$  (see text for discussion)

Inclusion pair	$K_D(\text{NaCl})$	$K_D(\text{H}_2\text{O})$	$K_D(\text{CO}_2)$	$K_D(\text{CH}_4)$
1	0.36	0.45	5.03	9.40
2	0.34	0.76	3.92	6.25

$K_D, i^{LV} = (X_i^V/X_i^L)_{P,T}$  where:

$K_D$ : distribution coefficient and  $X$ : composition of species  $i$

$< K_D(\text{CH}_4)$  (Table 5) which may qualitatively be used to show immiscible phases (Diamond 1990). The observed differences in calculated homogenization pressures for the two pairs of selected type 1 inclusions (Table 4, see also Fig. 9) may be due to errors in inclusion-phases volume visual estimation, and/or fluid pressure variability resulting from opening and sealing, and deformation and fracturing, of the veins, or a time delay between entrapment of aqueous and gas-rich type 1



**Fig. 9** Pressure-temperature diagram showing calculated homogenization conditions for type 1 inclusions in relation to inferred regional metamorphic conditions in the Metagittsi region. Sources of data given in the text

inclusions, in a vein-system emplaced in a tectonically active environment (Robert and Kelly 1987; Diamond 1990).

Bulk fluid inclusion compositions were calculated in the system  $\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{CO}_2-\text{CH}_4-\text{NaCl}$  (Table 4) on the basis of the method of Ramboz et al. (1985) using microthermometry data.

Since immiscibility has been strongly indicated, fluid inclusion homogenization and thus trapping conditions represent depositional conditions of quartz I and scheelite. Considering that for coeval inclusions, the minimum homogenization temperatures for inclusion homogenization into the  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , and into the  $\text{CO}_2$ , phases, are provided by inclusions trapping pure end-members (Table 4, Fig. 6D), these minimum homogenization  $T$  and  $P$  conditions of 220–250 °C at fluctuating pressures between 1.2 and 2.6 kbar can be safely considered as depositional conditions for scheelite. Some of the most aqueous-rich type 1 inclusions homogenizing at higher temperatures may represent trapping of homogeneous fluids. Calculated pressures at the homogenization temperature for these inclusions are higher than the rest of type 1 inclusions (see Fig. 9).

The mineralizing fluid densities and  $P$ - $T$  conditions of vein formation are not compatible with regional amphibolite facies conditions (5–8 kbar; 600–800 °C), however, but more closely approach those of the retrogressive greenschist facies (2–3 kbar; 350–400 °C) conditions thus indicating that vein emplacement conceivably could be related to the late metamorphic/retrogressive greenschist facies conditions (Fig. 9).

#### $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values of vein quartz

The  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  values of quartz and the calculated  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  values of coexisting waters at 250 °C and 350 °C (Table 3) do not constrain the origin of the waters uniquely. These values are depleted relative to purely magmatic waters (5.5 to 10 per mil, Taylor 1979) and overlap with the

lowermost values of metamorphic fluids (3 to 20 per mil, Sheppard 1986). Moreover, oxygen isotope water compositions of less than or equal to 3.0 per mil are normally regarded as evidence for the presence of, or interaction with, isotopically light fluids such as meteoric waters (Landis and Rye 1974; Shepherd et al. 1976; Shelton et al. 1987). Calculated  $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{water}}$  values are interpreted to represent water from any source that has equilibrated isotopically with metasedimentary host rocks at low to moderate water-to-rock ratios.

#### $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values of carbonic fluid

The  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  values of  $\text{CO}_2$  fall in two groups, one from  $-1.5$  to  $+1.5$  per mil, the second with values of  $+3.4$  and  $+4.3$  per mil (Table 3). Excluding the latter two values the average  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  value is  $0.15 \pm 0.55$  per mil. Various authors have suggested the following possible sources for  $\text{CO}_2$  in hydrothermal fluids with such values:

1. Metamorphic decarbonation or dissolution reactions of carbonate (Ohmoto and Rye 1979). The  $\delta^{13}\text{C}_{\text{CO}_2}$  value of such a metamorphic fluid will depend on the degree of decarbonation or dissolution, the  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  value of the carbonate minerals, and the isotopic fractionation factor between  $\text{CO}_2$  and the carbonate mineral that is temperature dependent (Ohmoto 1986). According to Bottinga (1968) and Kerrich (1990)  $\text{CO}_2$  liberated by such reactions at 400 °C to 500 °C would be enriched by about 3 per mil relative to the source. Carbon isotope values of Greek marbles range from  $-2$  to  $+6$  per mil with most values clustering between 0 and  $+4$  per mil (Germann et al. 1980). The upper marble horizon of the Kerdilia Formation considered to have been subjected to similar tectonometamorphic processes with the Vertiskos Formation have  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  values between  $-3.5$  and  $+4.1$  per mil, with an average value of 0.9 per mil (Kalogeropoulos et al. 1989). Consequently, liberated  $\text{CO}_2$  can be expected to have  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  values  $>0$  per mil. In addition carbon isotope data for calcites of synvolcanic sea-floor alteration of basaltic origin, metamorphosed to low amphibolite or low- to mid-greenschist facies indicate  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  values ranging from  $-2.1$  to  $+1.4$  per mil (Groves et al. 1984). Considering that high-temperature dissolution in such low-carbonate rocks produces  $\text{CO}_2$  that is isotopically similar to or slightly heavier than the original carbonate (Ohmoto and Rye 1979), sea-floor carbonate may produce  $\text{CO}_2$  with  $\delta^{13}\text{C}_{\text{CO}_2}$  close to 0 per mil. Ohmoto (1986) has calculated that under most geologic conditions the  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  value of  $\text{CO}_2$  derived from carbonate rocks may fall between  $-8$  and  $+4$  per mil.
2. Oxidation of organic carbon in the rocks during metamorphism. According to Schidlowski (1988) the bulk of  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  values for organic carbon are  $-26 \pm 7$  per mil throughout the geologic record. Fluid buffered by graphite at 300 °C to 500 °C could have  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$

values of  $-13 \pm 2$  per mil at equilibrium (Bottinga 1968; Ohmoto and Kerrick 1977). Also  $\text{CO}_2$   $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  values of  $-1$  to  $-5$  per mil might be expected if  $\text{CO}_2$  from a decarbonation source exchange with graphite or mixed with  $\text{CO}_2$  resulting from oxidation of graphite. However, mass balance calculations indicate that rather large amounts of graphite are needed to produce  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  values between  $-1$  and  $-5$  per mil (Kreulen 1980);

3.  $\text{CO}_2$  may be of deep-seated origin and represent either juvenile  $\text{CO}_2$ , possibly derived from degassing of the upper mantle (Touret 1981), or magmatic  $\text{CO}_2$  (Ohmoto and Rye 1979; Taylor 1986). Juvenile  $\text{CO}_2$  is generally accepted to have  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  values between  $-3$  and  $-8$  per mil based on isotopic analyses of carbonatites (Deines and Gold 1973), and diamonds (Deines 1980; Milledge et al. 1983). The characteristic  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  value of most magmatic-melt carbon is generally considered as being between  $-8$  and  $-5$  per mil (Taylor 1986). Kreulen (1980), in a study of the Naxos metamorphic terrain in Greece, identified a population of  $\text{CO}_2$ -rich fluids occurring in low- to high-grade schists, and pegmatites, with  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  values of  $-5$  to  $-1$  per mil, as probably of deep seated origin.

On the basis of these,  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  values of zero to greater are consistent with  $\text{CO}_2$  of metamorphic origin produced during metamorphic decarbonation reactions. Concerning the slightly negative values down to  $-1.5$  per mil (Table 3), if they are not due to decarbonation only, they most probably represent mixing of  $\text{CO}_2$  produced by decarbonation with  $\text{CO}_2$  from a deep seated source. Isotopic equilibration of graphite with carbon in  $\text{CO}_2$  is not considered likely, due to the comparatively high measured  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  values, and the lack of graphite horizons within the rock assemblage hosting the tungsten mineralization.

Based on oxygen and carbon isotope evidence, a metamorphic model may account for the source of mineralizing fluids; this is in line with an in situ fluid evolution and origin from metamorphic reactions.

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### Model of scheelite concentration

On the basis of geochemical, textural, and field criteria, the lithologies of the Metaggitisi area, composed of intercalated metaclastic, and mafic and felsic metavolcanic rocks, have been recognized as representing metamorphic equivalents of submarine volcanosedimentary sequences (Veranis and Bitzios 1984). The occurrence of tourmaline-rich horizons, chemical metasediments (banded iron formations, chert) and stratabound scheelite disseminations, within the volcano-sedimentary units of the Metaggitisi area, may be interpreted as evidence for pre-metamorphic submarine exhalative processes (Slack 1982; Plimer 1983, 1987). This is supported by the lack of any evaporitic, pegmatitic, or granitic rocks within or close to the strati-

graphic position of the tourmaline-rich rocks (Plimer 1983). Felsic dikes in the area of Metaggitisi, showing no relationship to igneous activity, may be products of fluid-rich metamorphic processes (Raith 1988). Submarine exhalative processes in volcano-sedimentary settings with accompanying boron (tourmaline) enrichment, are known to be genetically connected to pre-metamorphic syngenetic scheelite mineralization in various metamorphic terranes [e.g. in the Early Paleozoic Austroalpine Crystalline Complex, Eastern Alps (Raith 1988), the Lower-Middle Proterozoic Broken Hill Block, Australia (Plimer 1987), or the Archean Malene supracrustals, Greenland (Appel 1985)]. Furthermore, magmatic processes associated with island-arc boninites and tholeiites, are considered responsible for tungsten precipitation in the amphibolite-facies Early Paleozoic Habach Formation, Austria, hosting the Mittersill scheelite deposit (Thalhammer et al. 1989). It is thus reasonable to suggest an initial pre-metamorphic syngenetic scheelite mineralization also in the Metaggitisi lithologies.

Fluid inclusions similar to those of the Metaggitisi system are found in metamorphic rocks and vein (W and Au) deposits thought to be genetically related to regional metamorphic processes. Several studies summarized in Crawford (1981), Roedder (1984) and Crawford and Hollister (1986) indicate that  $\text{CO}_2$ - and/or  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ -dominated fluids are characteristic of greenschist and amphibolite facies metasedimentary rocks. Metamorphic fluids have salinities that range between 2 and 6 or 20 and 25 equivalent weight % NaCl in pelitic schists and gneisses, and calcareous rocks, respectively. Higher salinities are often related to contamination from evaporitic rocks, or immiscibility. In addition,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ - $\text{CO}_2$  metamorphic fluids may be produced from rocks of basaltic composition at the greenschist-amphibolite facies transition at  $500^\circ\text{C}$  (Kerrick and Fyfe 1981); such fluids will be characterized by low salinities due to the low Cl-contents of basaltic rocks. Fluid inclusion data from Mittersill (Schenk et al. 1990), indicate that the ore-forming fluids associated with amphibolite facies Alpine metamorphism of the host mafic metavolcanics, were  $\text{CO}_2$ -rich aqueous solutions with salinities between 2.2 and 7.8 equivalent weight % NaCl and containing also minor concentrations of  $\text{CH}_4$ . Lattanzi et al. (1989), and Craw et al. (1993) report  $\text{CO}_2$ -rich inclusions of moderate salinity (5–11 equivalent weight % NaCl) characterized by immiscibility phenomena from gold-bearing veins of the eastern and northwestern Alps, Italy, associated with late-Alpine metamorphism of the host metasedimentary and metagranitic rocks. Immiscibility of  $\text{CO}_2$ - $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ -( $\text{CH}_4$ ) fluids, containing 4–6 equivalent weight % NaCl, have also been reported from gold-bearing veins in metavolcanic-sedimentary sequences in the northwestern Italian Alps, and considered to be associated with late retrograde greenschist facies metamorphism and tectonic uplift (Diamond 1990). Furthermore, Paterson (1986) has described low-salinity  $\text{CO}_2$ -bearing inclusions in late Au-W(scheelite)-Sb vein deposits hosted by greenschist to amphibolite facies

Paleozoic metavolcanic-sedimentary schists, in New Zealand, that are considered to have been formed from fluids released during uplift of the metamorphic pile. Mobilization of scheelite from a pre-existing primary mineralization has been experimentally demonstrated during greenschist (and by inference amphibolite) facies *P-T* conditions (Foster 1977). Accordingly, the amphibolite-hosted scheelite ore-deposit of Mittersill, Austria, and stratabound scheelite mineralization in the polymetamorphic Austroalpine Crystalline Complex of the Eastern Alps have been ascribed to Alpine metamorphic remobilization of pre-concentrated scheelite (Raith 1988; Thalhammer et al. 1989). Therefore, combined with geologic evidence and O and C isotope data, the fluid inclusion data of the Metaggitsi scheelite vein-mineralization are consistent with vein genesis in the late stages of retrogressive greenschist facies metamorphism, by metamorphic fluids produced by devolatilization of deep portions of the Vertiskos crustal rocks. This is supported by the lack of any unequivocal evidence for deep seated magmatism in the area of Metaggitsi. However, if the Vertiskos Formation has indeed been affected by an earlier high *P-T* Hercynian metamorphism, and considering the possible Tertiary age of the mineralization, the source of fluids should be sought in dehydrating Circum-Rhodope Belt metasediments and metavolcanics, entrapped within an uplifted wedge pile such that probably represented by the Kerdilia Formation (Kalogeropoulos et al. 1989).

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### Oxygen fugacity calculations

Fugacities of oxygen for the entrapped fluids can be calculated from the bulk chemical compositions given in Table 1 in the system  $H_2O-CO_2-CH_4$ , along the *P, T* paths indicated for individual inclusions. The calculations were made for two inclusions considered to represent end-member immiscible compositions. The basic assumptions inherent in the calculations are analyzed in Konnerup-Madsen et al. (1985). The calculations of the possible  $\log(fO_2)$  conditions for equilibration of the examined fluids were performed, assuming chemical equilibrium between the  $CO_2$ ,  $H_2O$  and  $CH_4$  in the inclusions via the reaction  $CO_2 + 2H_2O = CH_4 + 2O_2$ . Oxygen fugacities for type 1 fluid compositions of  $10^{-35}$  to  $10^{-31}$  bar are indicated for temperatures between 260 °C and 310 °C, that is values slightly above the synthetic Ni-NiO buffer curve.

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### Conclusions

The principal conclusions of this study are:

1. Scheelite mineralization accompanied by muscovite and albite, and traces of Mo-stolzite, stolzite, arsenopyrite, pyrite and iron oxides occurs in quartz

- vein systems of Alpine age, hosted by two-mica gneissic schists, and locally amphibolites, of the Paleozoic or older Vertiskos Formation in the Metaggitsi area, central Chalkidiki Peninsula, in N Greece.
2. Vein quartz shows evidence of slight to intense deformation manifested by undulose extinction, sutured quartz-quartz boundaries, translation gliding (type I), and in extreme cases incipient recrystallization (type II). Scheelite-quartz contacts, common slight to moderate undulose extinction, as well as similar fluid inclusion characteristics suggest that scheelite and type I quartz have coprecipitated. Small scale (2–3 cm wide) wallrock alteration haloes are characterized by intense potassium and hydrogen metasomatism manifested by replacement of plagioclase by sericite.
3. Scheelite was deposited from  $H_2O-CO_2$  fluids undergoing phase separation at temperatures of 220 °C to 250 °C and pressures fluctuating between 1.2 and 2.6 kbar, and post-dating regional amphibolite facies metamorphism. The mineralizing fluids are characterized by high but variable contents of  $CO_2$ , small  $CH_4$  content (generally <2 mol%), and aqueous phase salinity ranging between 0.2 and 8.3 equivalent weight% NaCl. Fluid oxygen fugacities during mineralization varied from  $10^{-35}$  to  $10^{-31}$  bar above the Ni-NiO buffer curve. The  $CO_2$  fluid does not reflect equilibration with graphite.
4. Estimated  $\delta^{18}O_{\text{water}}$  values of the hydrothermal fluid and  $\delta^{13}C$  values of  $CO_2$  in the inclusions of 3–6 per mil SMOW, and –1.2 to +4.3 per mil PDB, respectively, combined with fluid inclusion and geologic data, indicate that the mineralizing fluids have, at least partly, equilibrated with the metamorphic country rocks.

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