

THE PHLOGOPITE-SPINEL-SAPPHIRINE-BEARING AL-MG GRANULITES FROM SALVADOR-CURACA BELT, BAHIA, BRAZIL: AN EXAMPLE OF ULTRAHIGH - TEMPERATURE METAMORPHISM WITH PHLOGOPITE STABILITY.

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The Salvador-Curaca Belt contains granulitic supracrustal rocks which include Al-Mg granulites where sapphirine (Spr) with inclusions of spinel (Spl1), biotite/phlogopite (Bt1), K-feldspar (Kfs1) and cordierite (Crd1) is highlighted. The sapphirine crystals are armored by large crystals of orthopyroxene (Opx1). Such texture records the prograde-peak-metamorphic reaction: $Spl1 + Bt1 + Kfs1 + Crd1 = Spr + Opx1 + liquid$. Garnet (Grt) occurs as porphyroblasts that contain inclusions of sapphirine and biotite. The garnet formation by the reacting out of sapphirine and biotite has not been yet described by current studies in KFMASH/ FMAS systems. The garnet is surrounded by a fine-grained symplectite of cordierite (Crd2), orthopyroxene (Opx2) and spinel (Spl2). These textures support decompression reactions: $Grt + Spr = Crd2 + Opx2 + Spl2$. Larger flakes of biotite/phlogopite (Bt2) form symplectites with quartz around orthopyroxenes, garnets and spinels when these are in contact with K-feldspars. Such intergrowths correspond to retrograde cooling reactions: $Grt \text{ or } Opx \text{ or } Spl + Kfs + vapour = Bt2 + Qtz$. The succession of parageneses indicates a clockwise P-T-t path in KFeMASH system with decompression and cooling processes from peak conditions of about 950-1000°C and 10-11 kbar during the Transamazonian orogeny. The presence of biotite/phlogopite during the whole P-T evolution suggests a high XF and XMg contents in these mica which could be responsible for its stability at ultrahigh metamorphic conditions.