



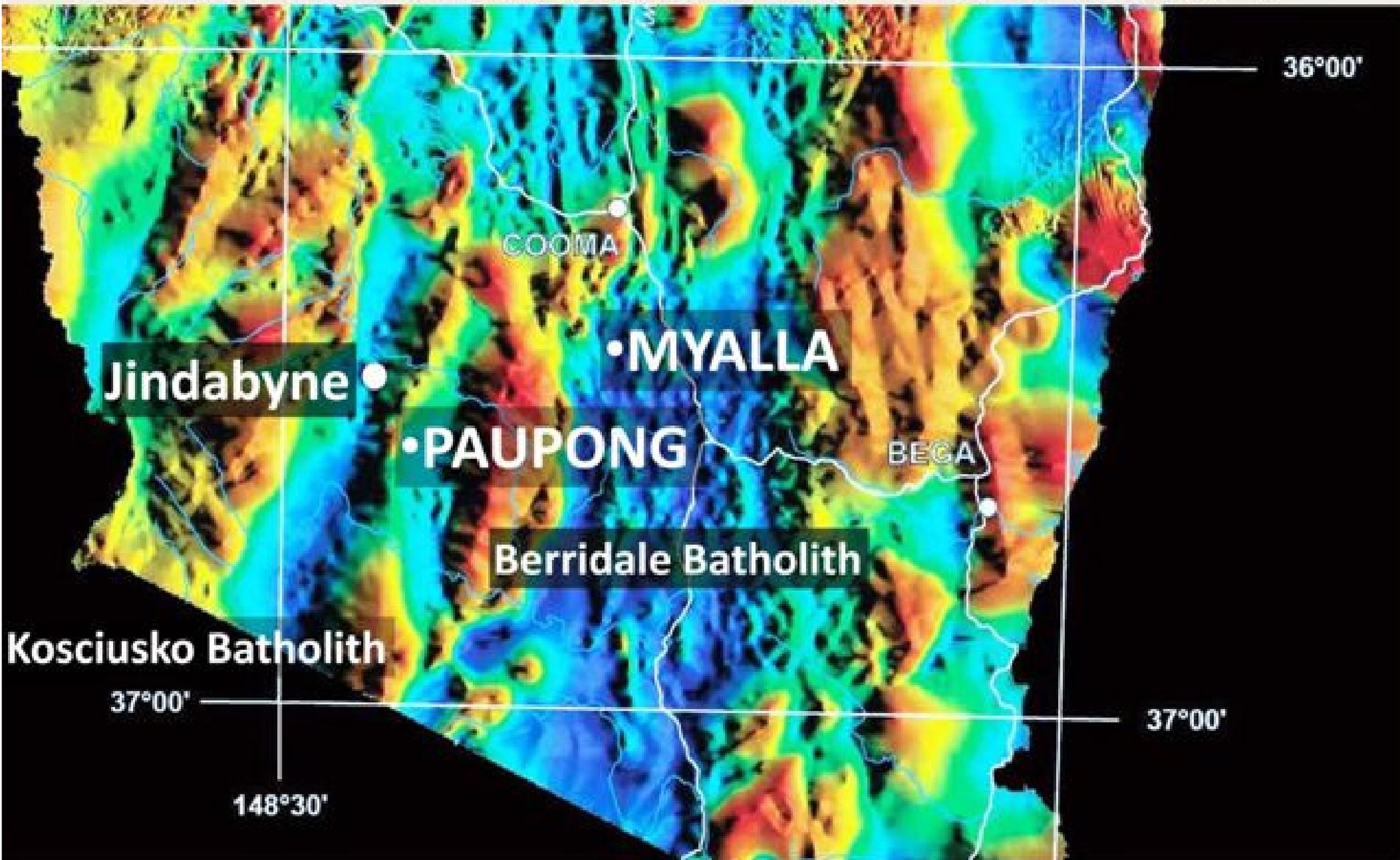
**A new, outcropping, greenfields gold discovery at Paupong (near Jindabyne) NSW; serendipity and science.**

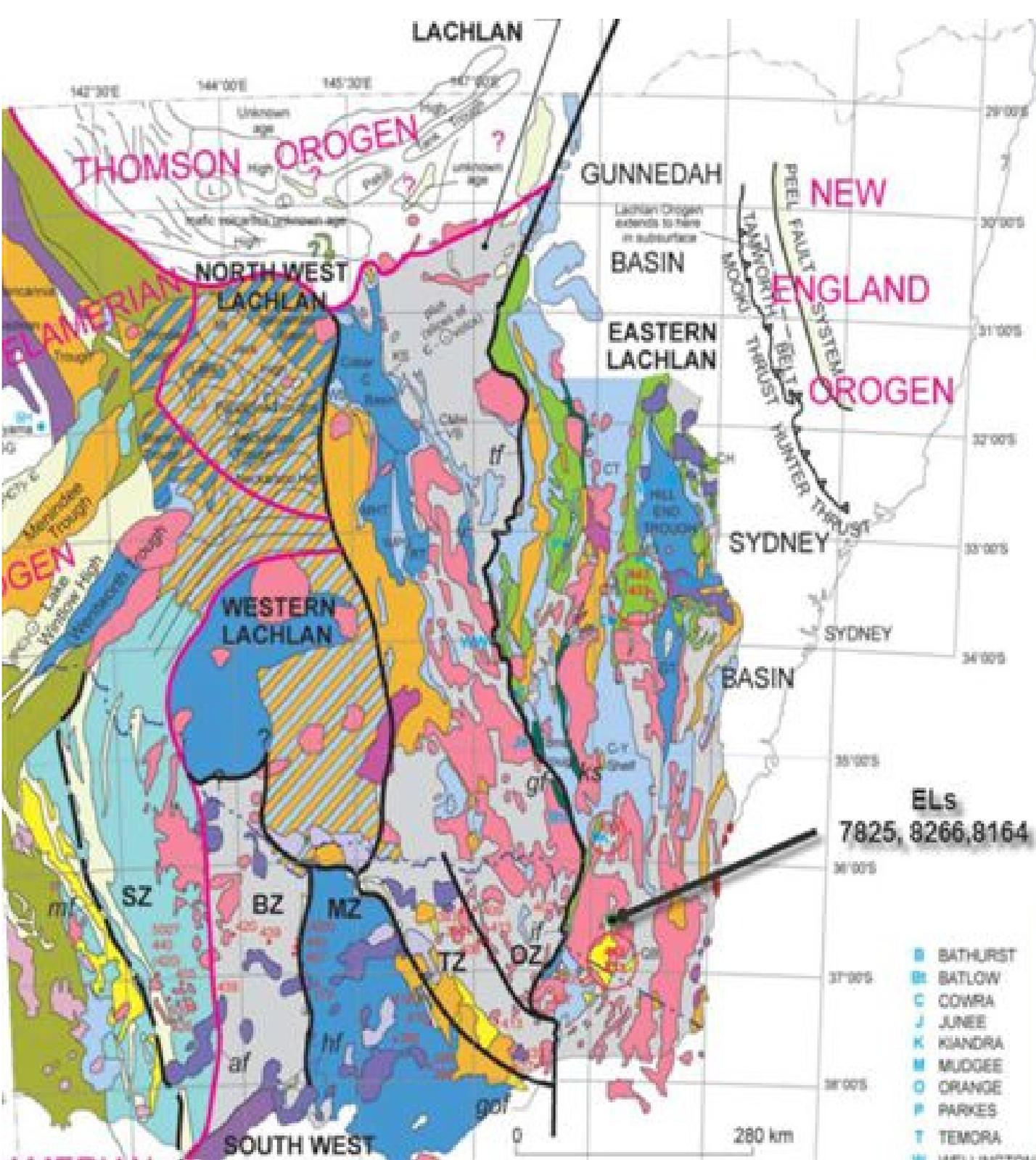
**Part 1**

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# ALT RESOURCES GOLD PROJECTS ON SOUTHEASTERN NSW MAGNETIC MAP





# Divisions of Lachlan Orogen

(Glen R. A., 2005)

Ordovician  
Adaminaby  
Supergroup

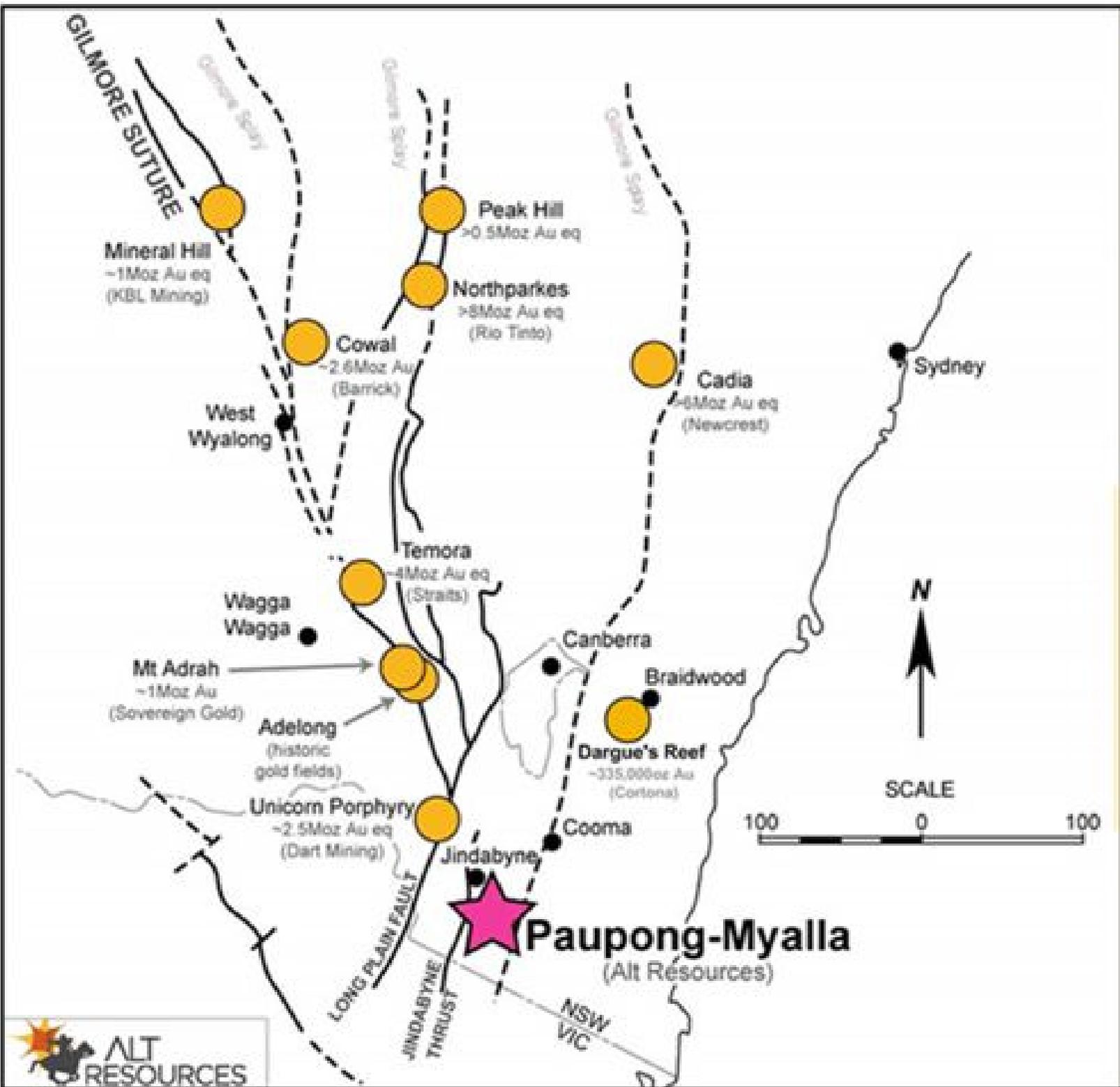
Turbidites –  
GREY

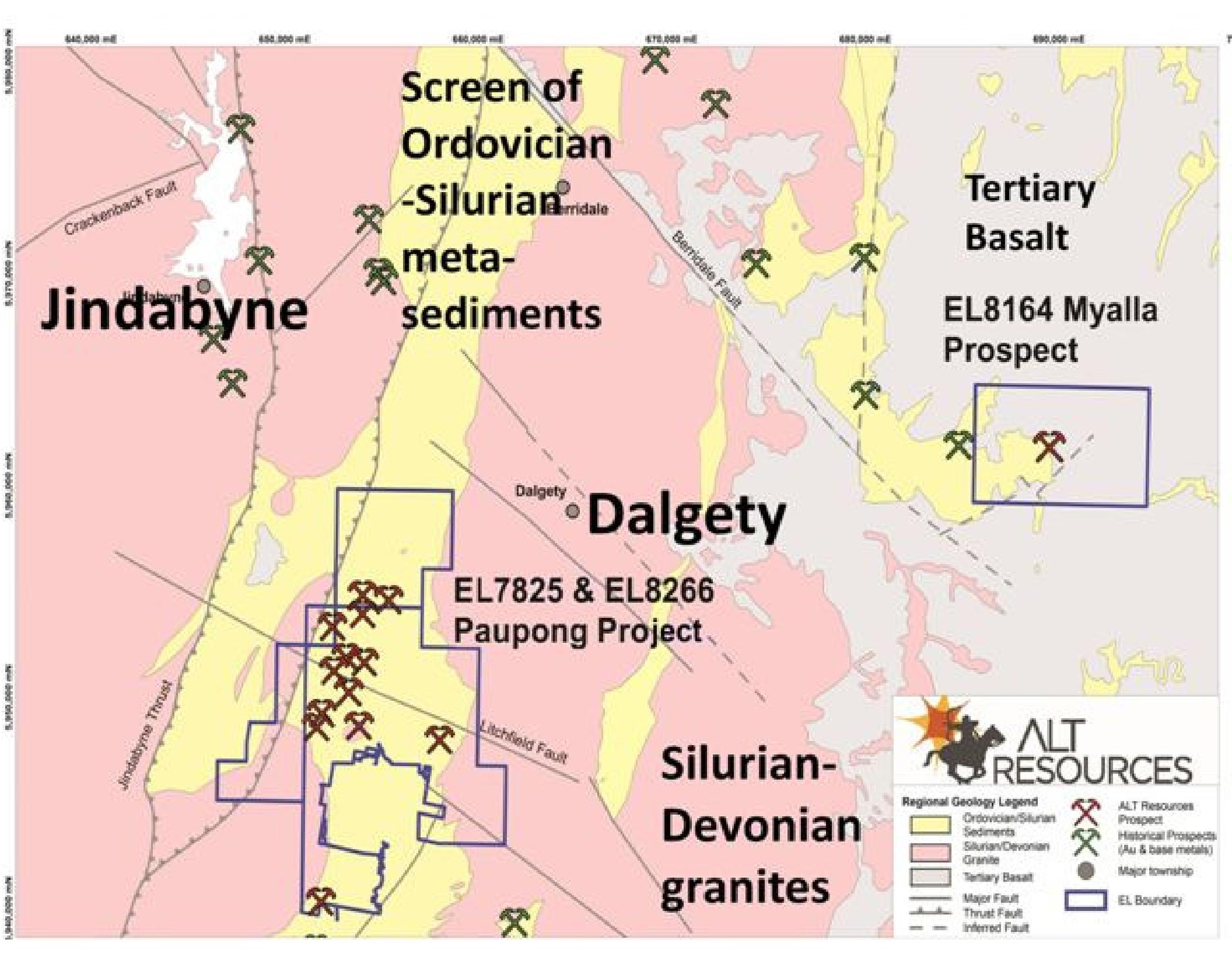
Silurian-  
Devonian

Granitoids - PINK

# Major gold and copper deposits in the Lachlan Orogen

LOCATED ON OR NEAR MAJOR NSW SUTURES AND SPLAYS





# PAUPONG PROJECT

- Real greenfields discovery.
- Started as school project on pioneers/gold in Monaro region.
- 1898 SMH article Litchfield vein.
- Magnetic drill target, took out EL
- Petrology on drill core defined some fractionated members of Blind Gabbro Complex. Map EL.

# HOW WAS IT MISSED?

- Gold is too fine grained to pan
- Forgotten distant region of state
- Only old wide-spaced magnetics
- No radiometrics
- Two historic stream sediment surveys did not assay for gold; base metal anomalies not followed up

# Paupong Project Local Geology & Structural Map (Lewis & Glen 1995)

Kosciusko  
Batholith  
S-type granite

Type  
area of  
Chappell  
& White  
2001

ADAMINABY GROUP  
METASEDIMENTS

Tertiary basalt

EL8266

EL8266

EL 7825

BERRIDALE BATHOLITH

Fractionated  
I-type

Blind Gabbro  
Suite

S-type  
granite

Granite  
I-S line

Buckley's Ls  
Adamellite

I-type  
granite

KOSCIUSZKO BATHOLITH

Minnegans Adamellite

Numbla Vale  
Adamellite

Finister Granodiorite

YALMY GROUP  
UNDIFFERENTIATED  
SHALES, SANDSTONE  
& SILTSTONES



**ALT  
RESOURCES**

1:200000 Geology  
GFM Exploration & Geological  
Survey of NSW after Lewis  
& Glen 1995

Scale 1:200,000  
Date of Revision  
Date of Issue  
Scale of Map  
Scale of Photograph



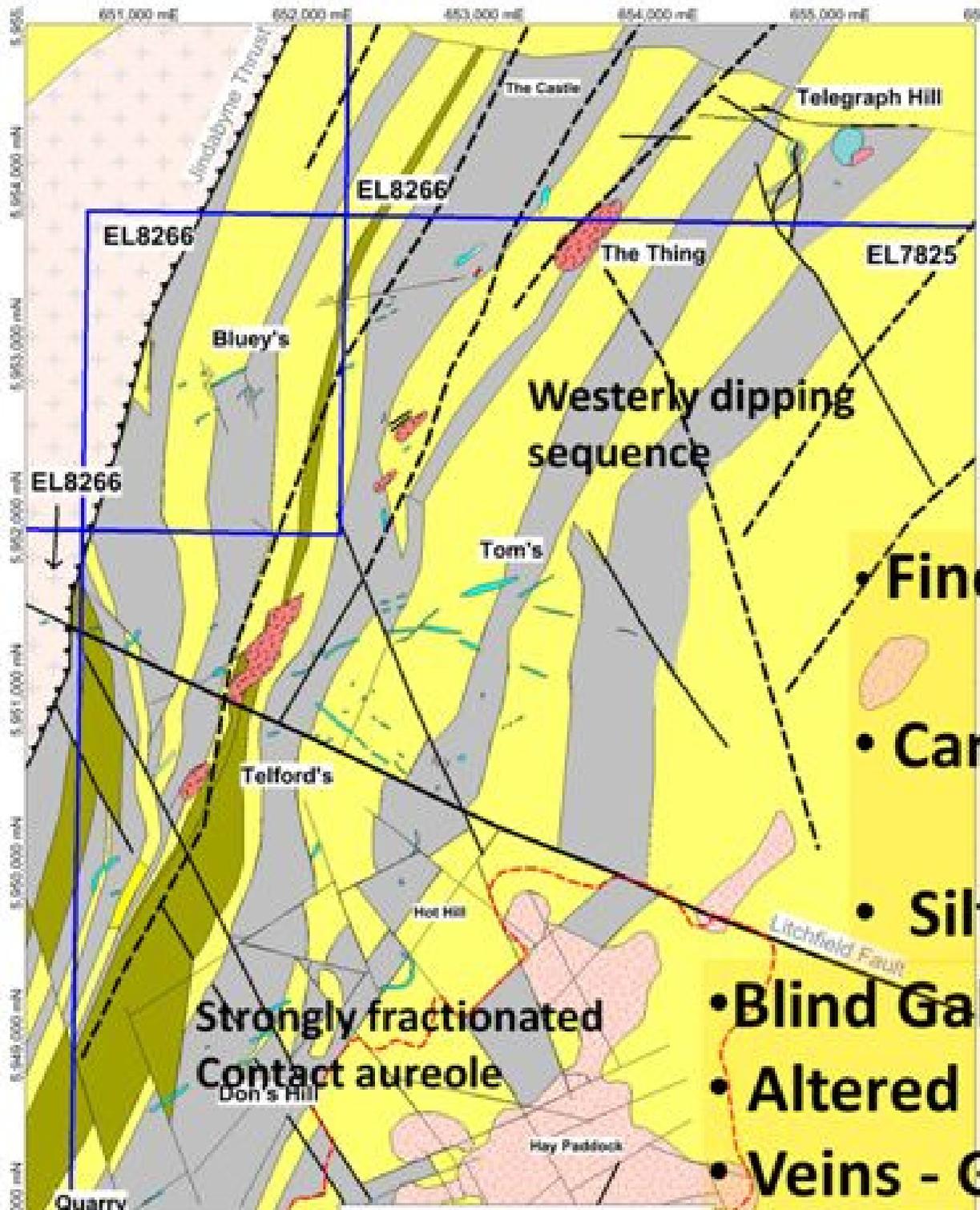
# Paupong Project Geology

Ordovician

Adaminaby Group  
metasediments

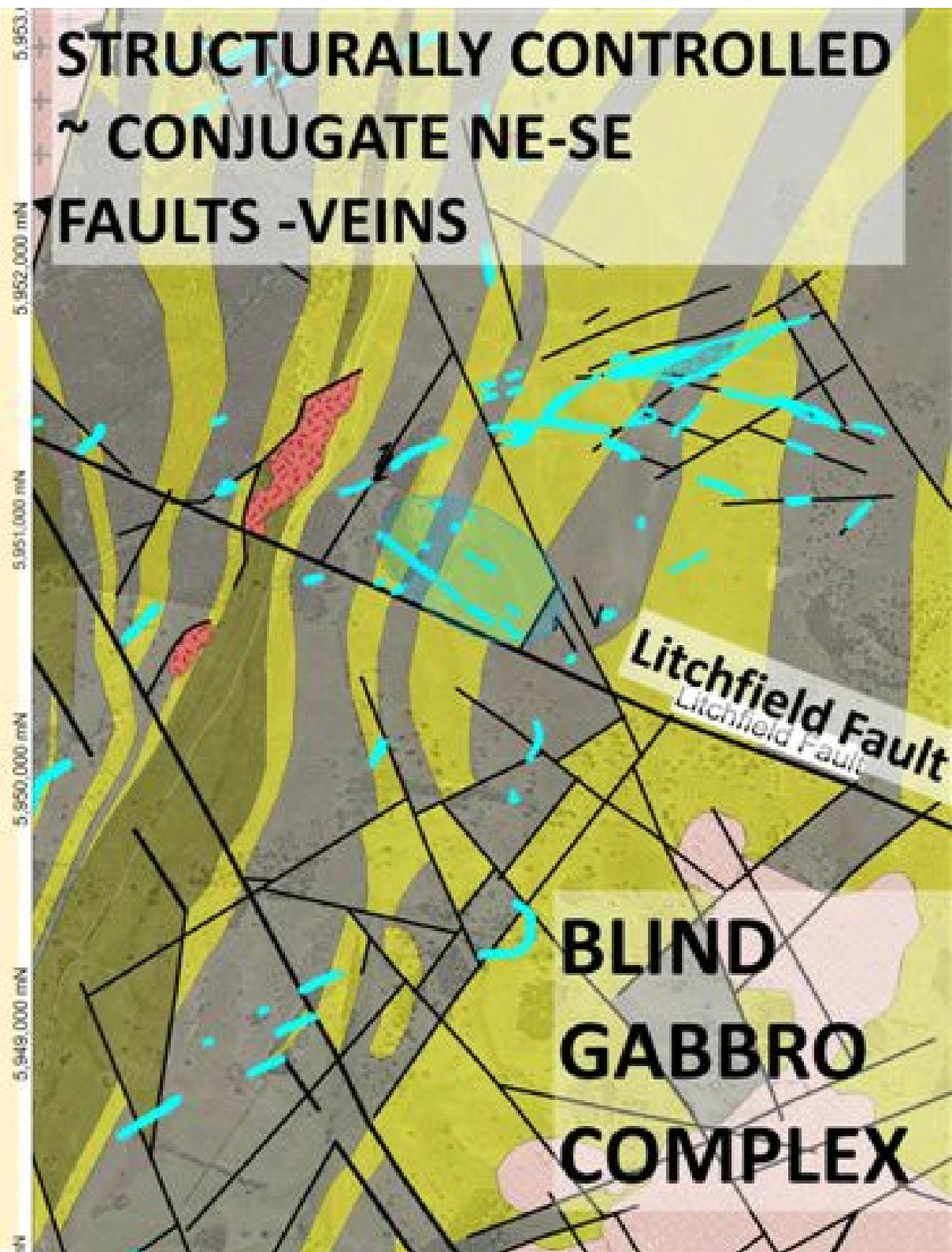
Alternating units of -

- Fine grained sandstone - **YELLOW**
- Carbonaceous shale - **GREY**
- Siltstone - **OLIVE GREEN**
- Blind Gabbro Complex - **PINK**
- Altered porphyry - **RED**
- Veins - **GREEN**



**PART OF QTZ-  
SULPHIDE VEIN  
SYSTEM.**

**VARIETY OF QTZ  
VEINS;  
VEIN BRECCIAS;  
STOCKWORK  
VEIN SYSTEMS -  
BLUE-GREEN**



**More than 972 surface samples  
give outstanding Au-Ag assays**

**Average of 0.40g/t Au**

**Maximum of 14g/t Au**

**Average 2.6g/t Ag**

**Maximum of 190g/t Ag.**

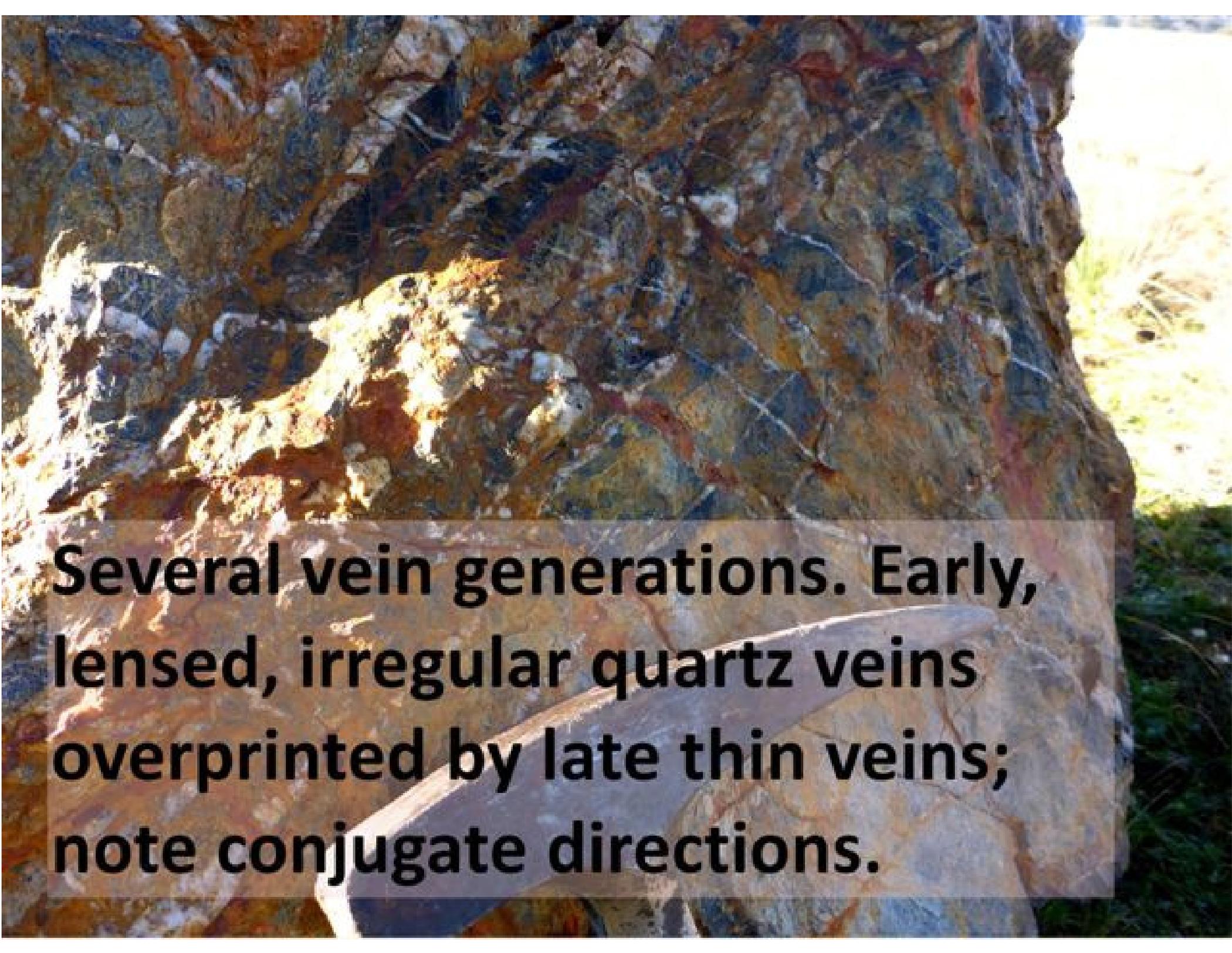
**Cu, As, Pb, Mo and Bi suggest an  
intrusive source.**

# Geologist and massive outcropping quartz vein



# Quartz vein stockwork and gossan



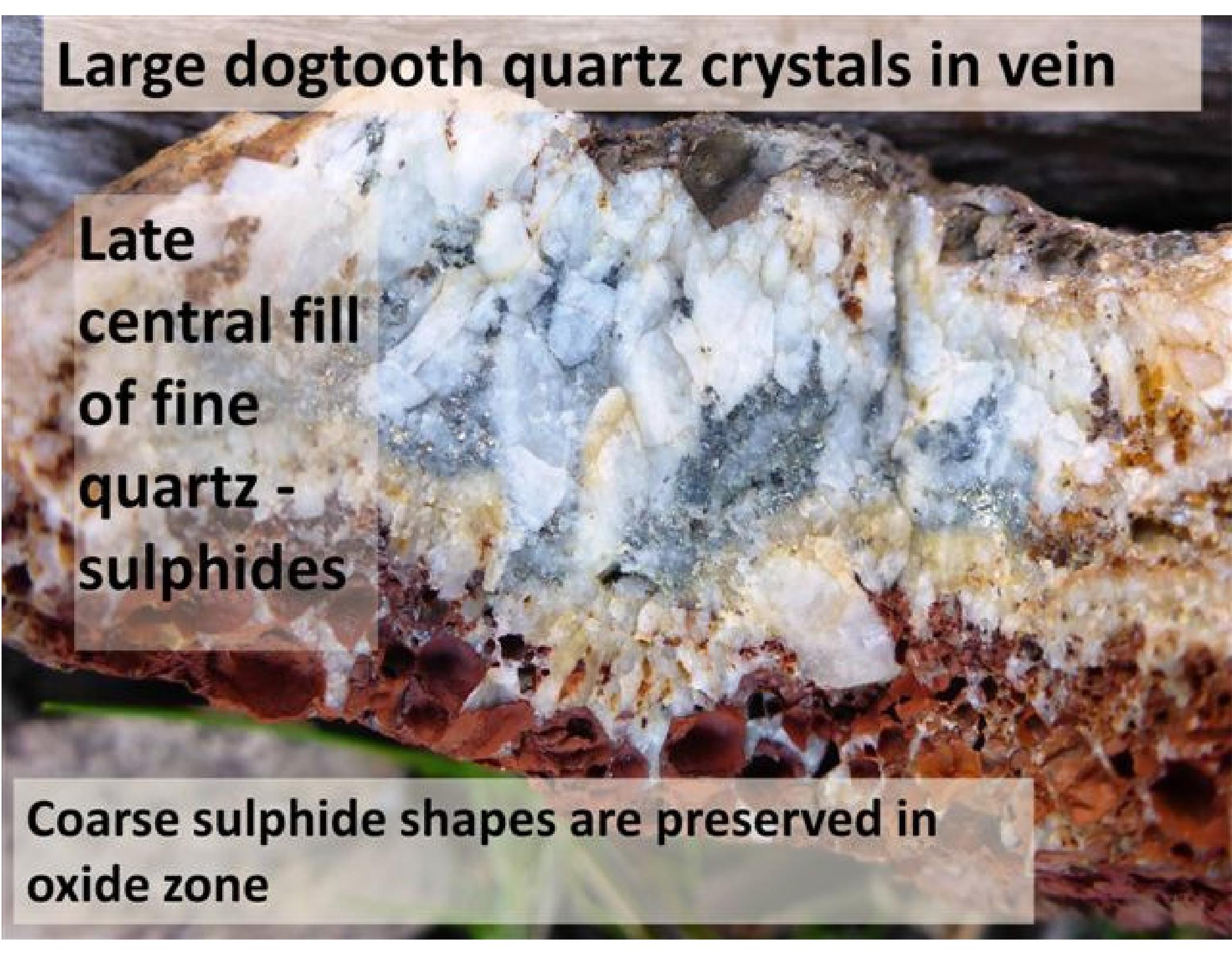


**Several vein generations. Early, lensed, irregular quartz veins overprinted by late thin veins; note conjugate directions.**

**Large dogtooth quartz crystals in vein**

**Late  
central fill  
of fine  
quartz -  
sulphides**

**Coarse sulphide shapes are preserved in  
oxide zone**



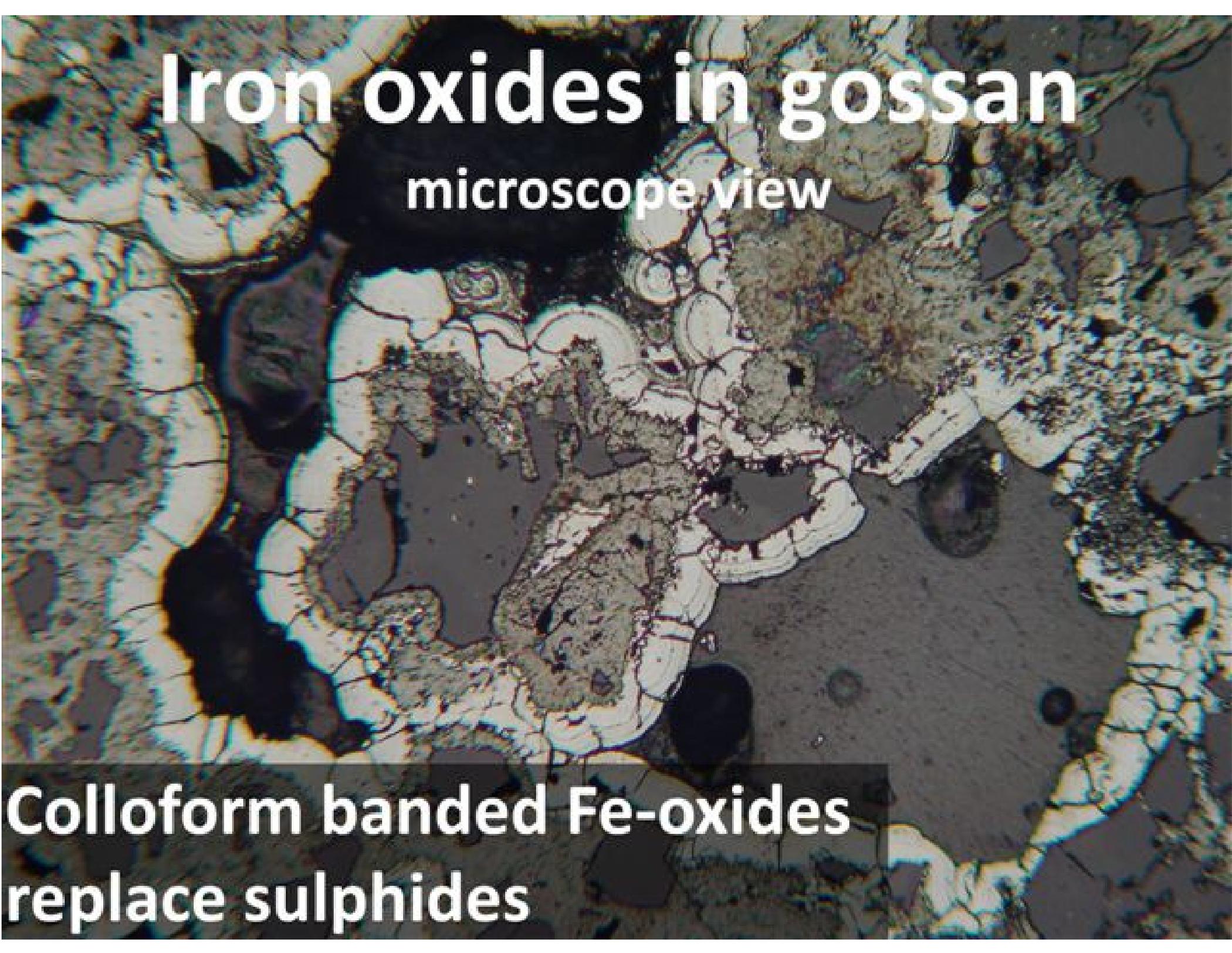


**Gossan with oxidised  
(weathered) sulphides**

# Iron oxides in gossan

microscope view

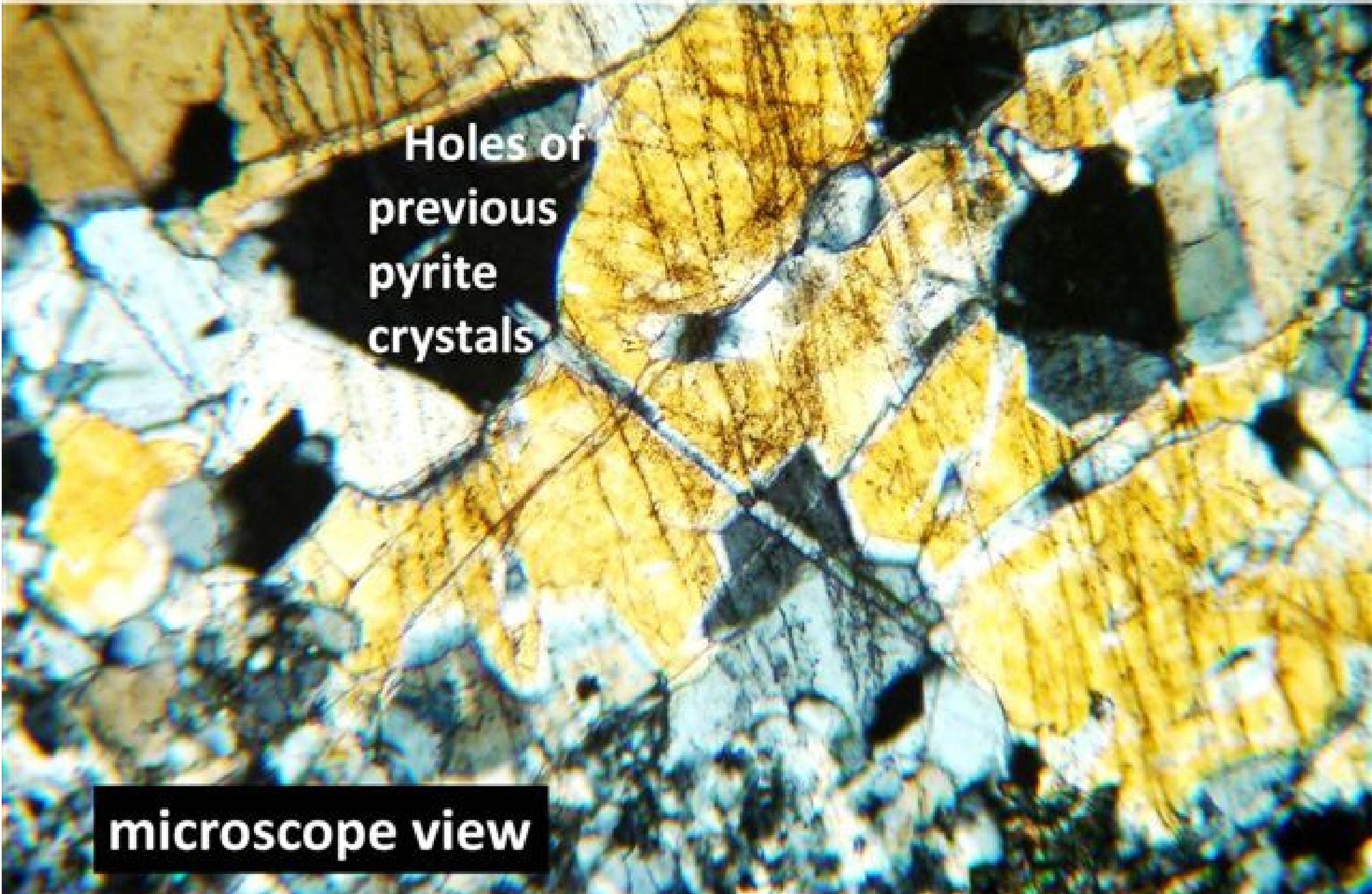
Colloform banded Fe-oxides  
replace sulphides

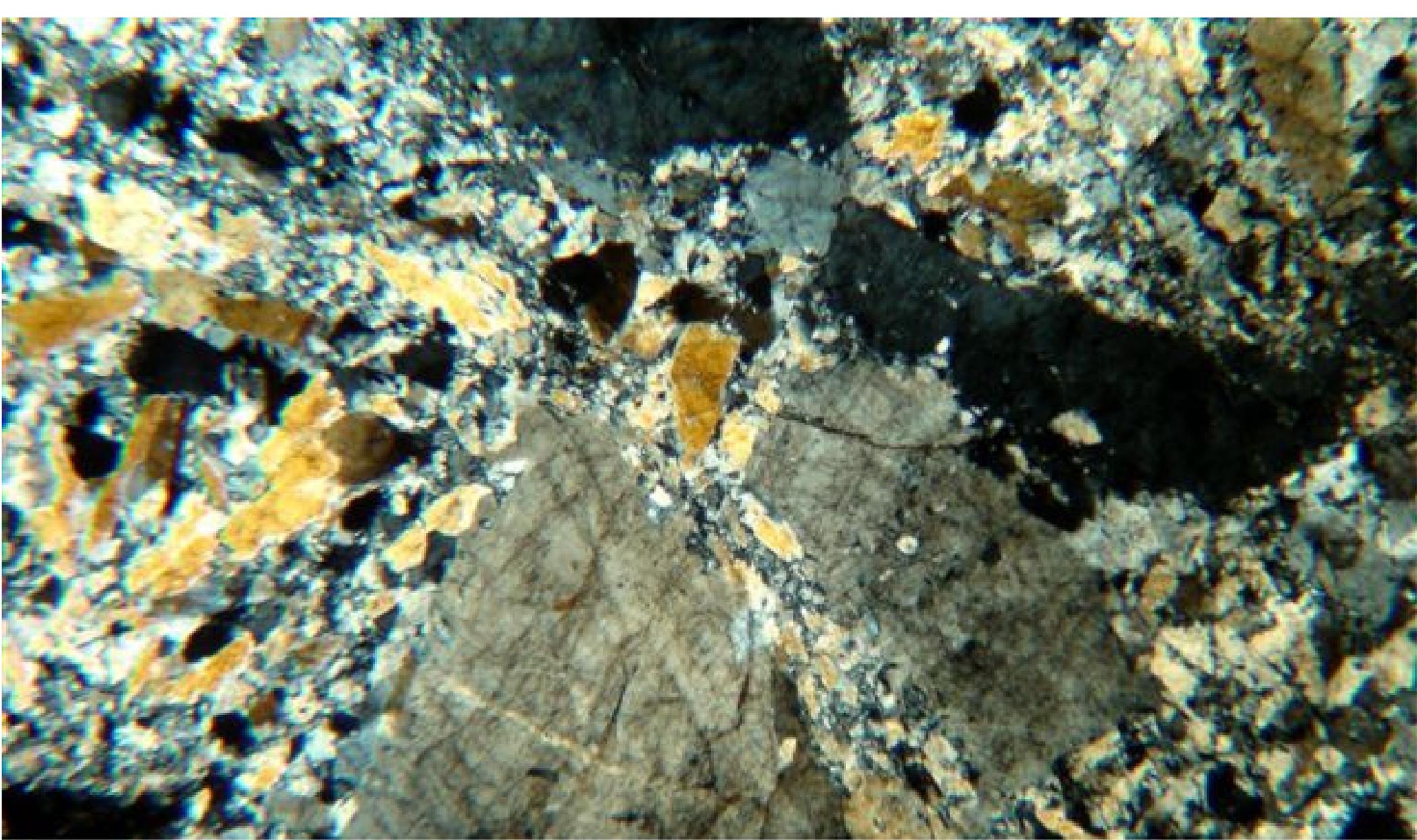
A microscopic view of a gossan, showing a complex network of iron oxides. The image displays a central, irregularly shaped mass of iron oxides, characterized by a colloform banded structure. This structure consists of concentric, wavy layers of iron oxides, which are replacing sulphides. The surrounding area is filled with a dense, interconnected network of iron oxides, forming a complex, porous structure. The overall appearance is that of a highly textured, crystalline material.

# Dogtooth quartz crystals in vein

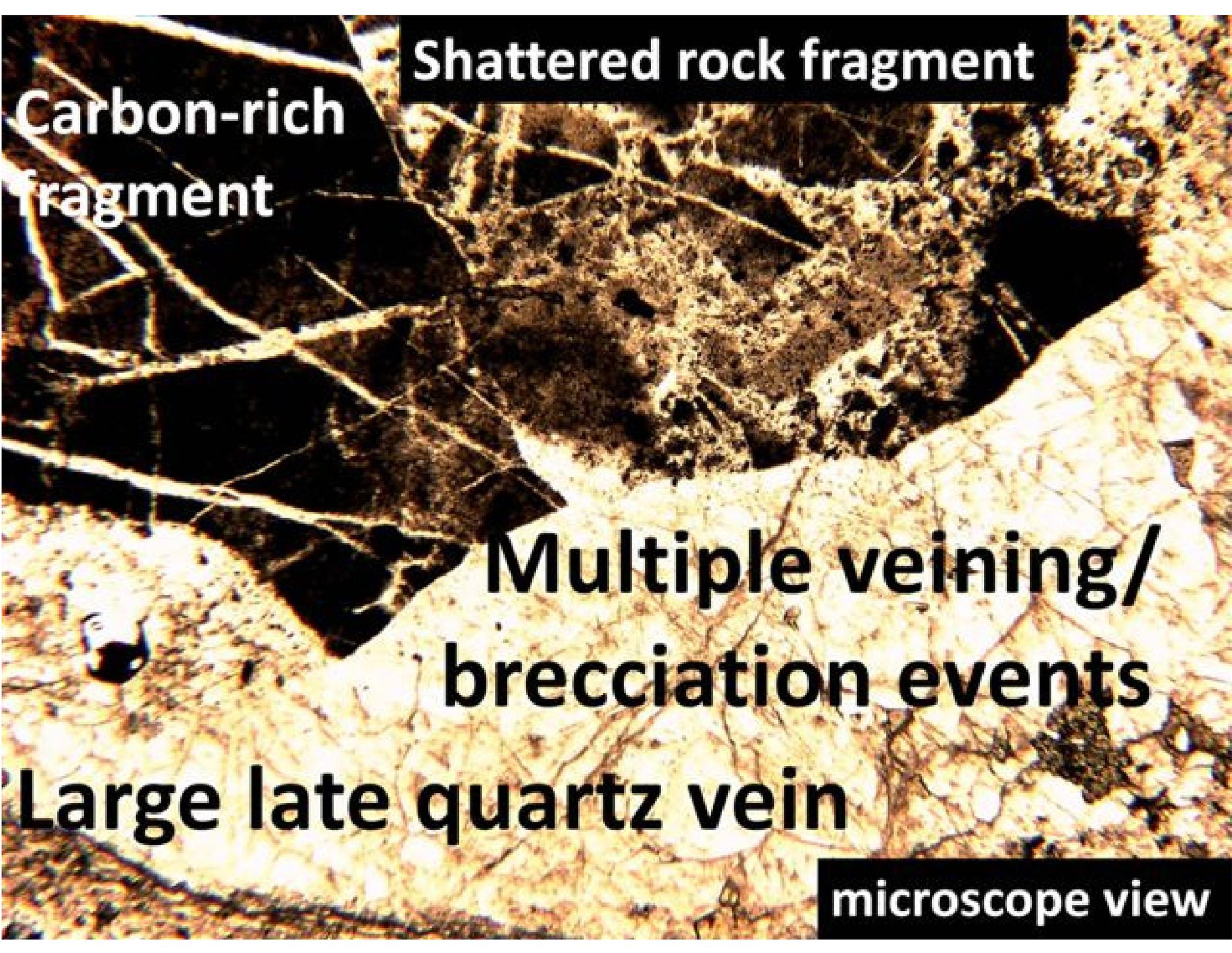
Holes of  
previous  
pyrite  
crystals

microscope view





**Shattered and milled vein quartz  
?tectonic/?phreatic. Microscope view**



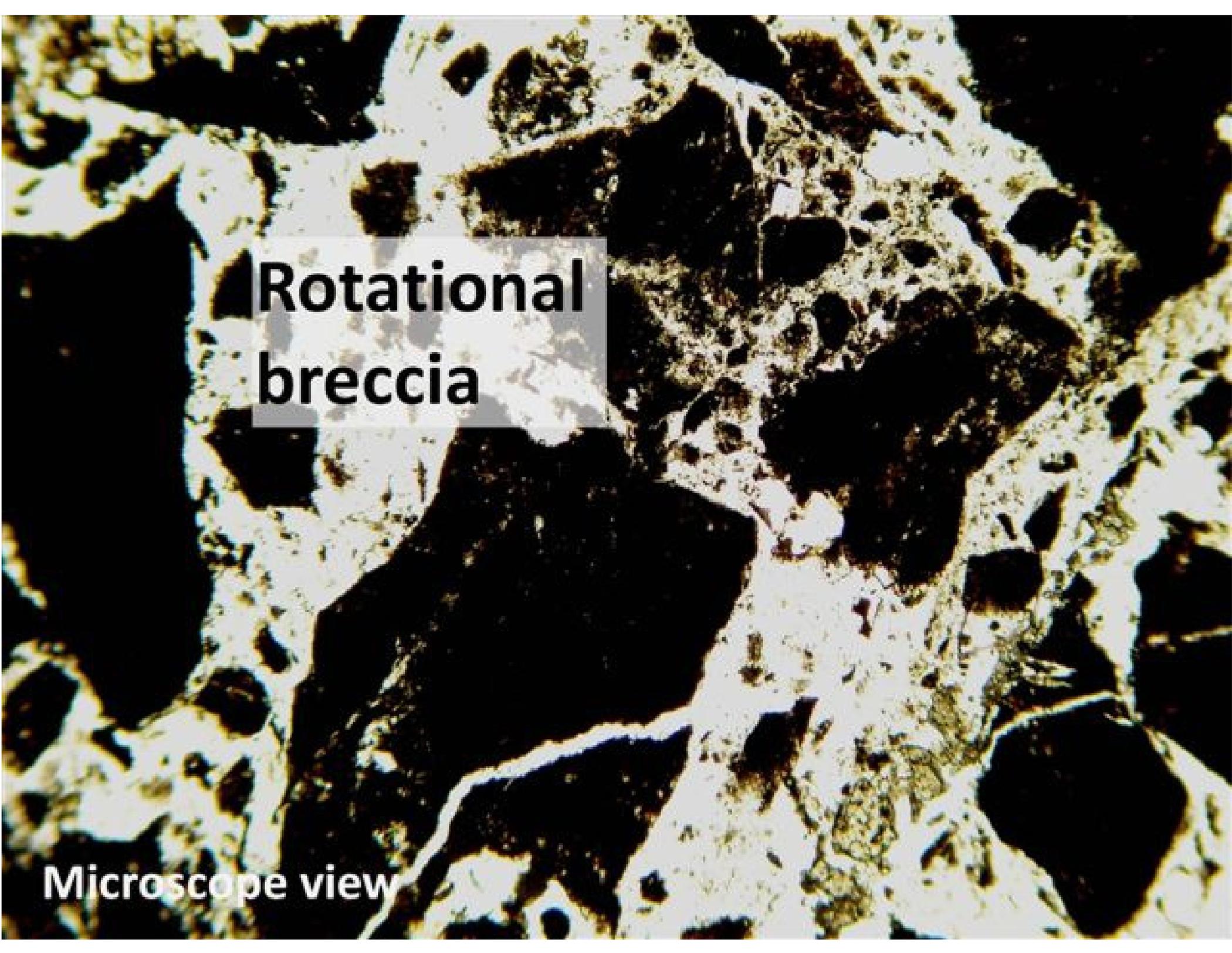
**Shattered rock fragment**

**Carbon-rich  
fragment**

**Multiple veining/  
brecciation events**

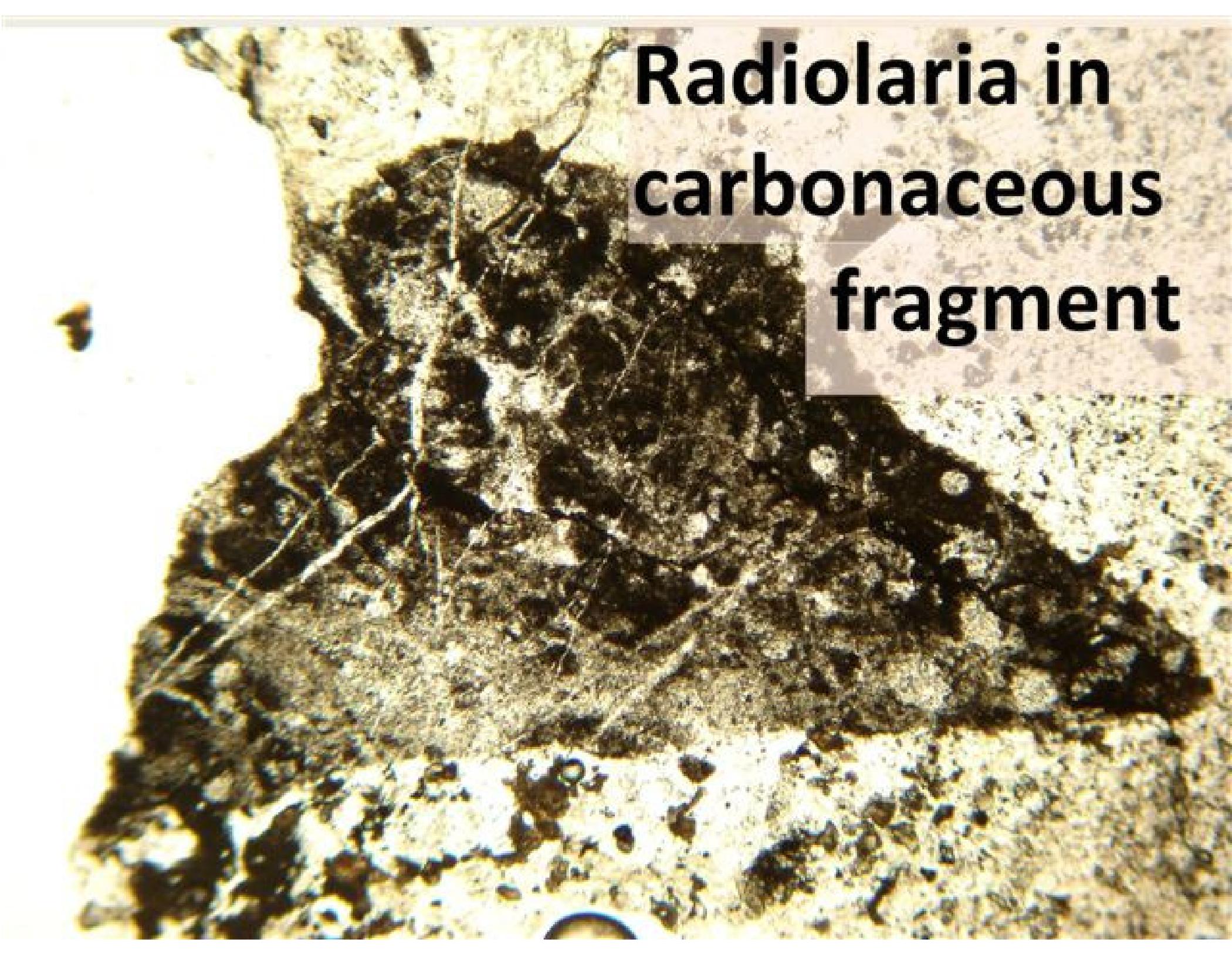
**Large late quartz vein**

**microscope view**

A microscopic view of rotational breccia. The image shows a light-colored, crystalline matrix containing numerous dark, angular clasts of varying sizes. The clasts are irregularly shaped and appear to be fragments of a different rock type. The matrix is composed of small, interlocking crystals. The overall texture is characteristic of a brecciated rock.

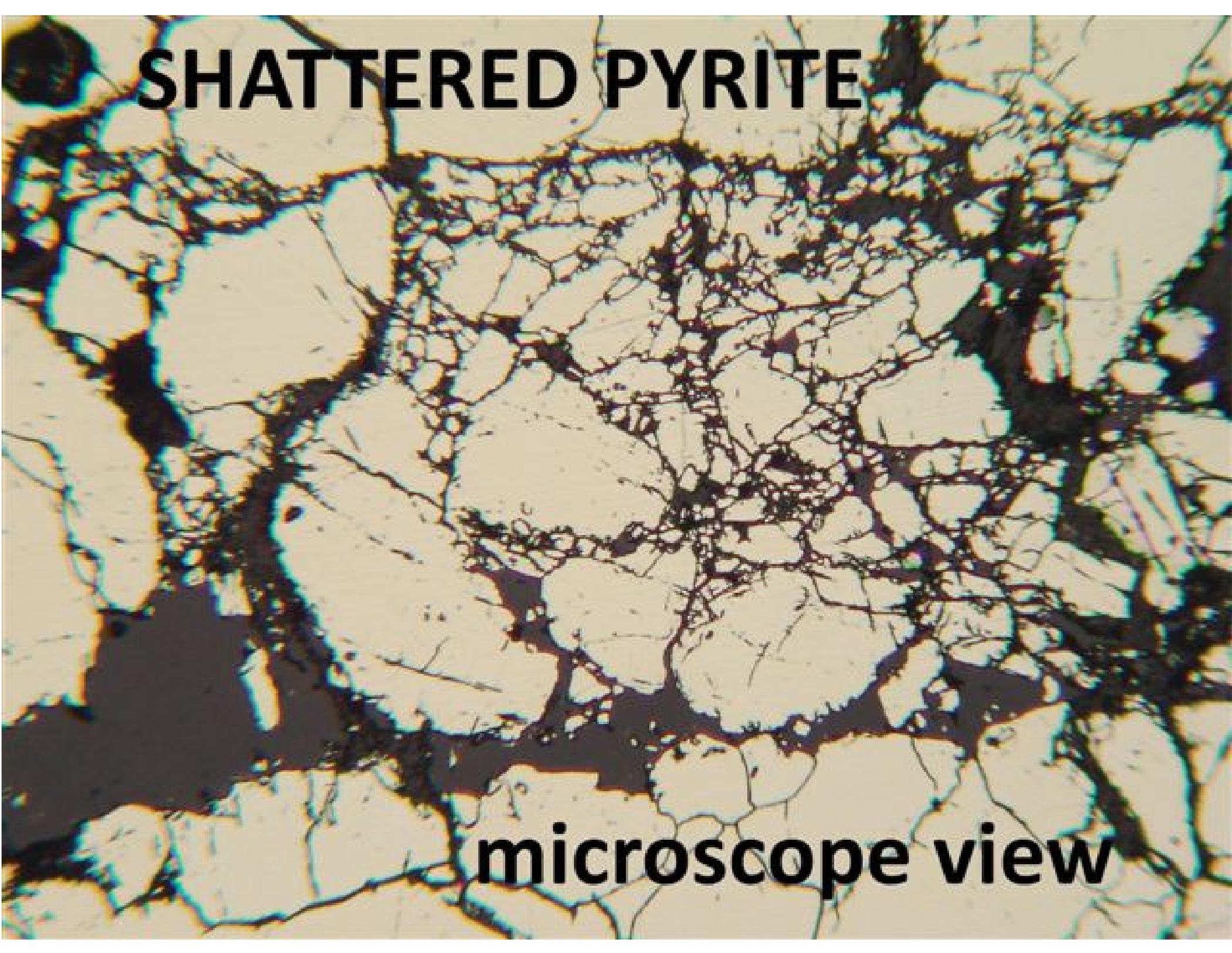
**Rotational  
breccia**

**Microscope view**

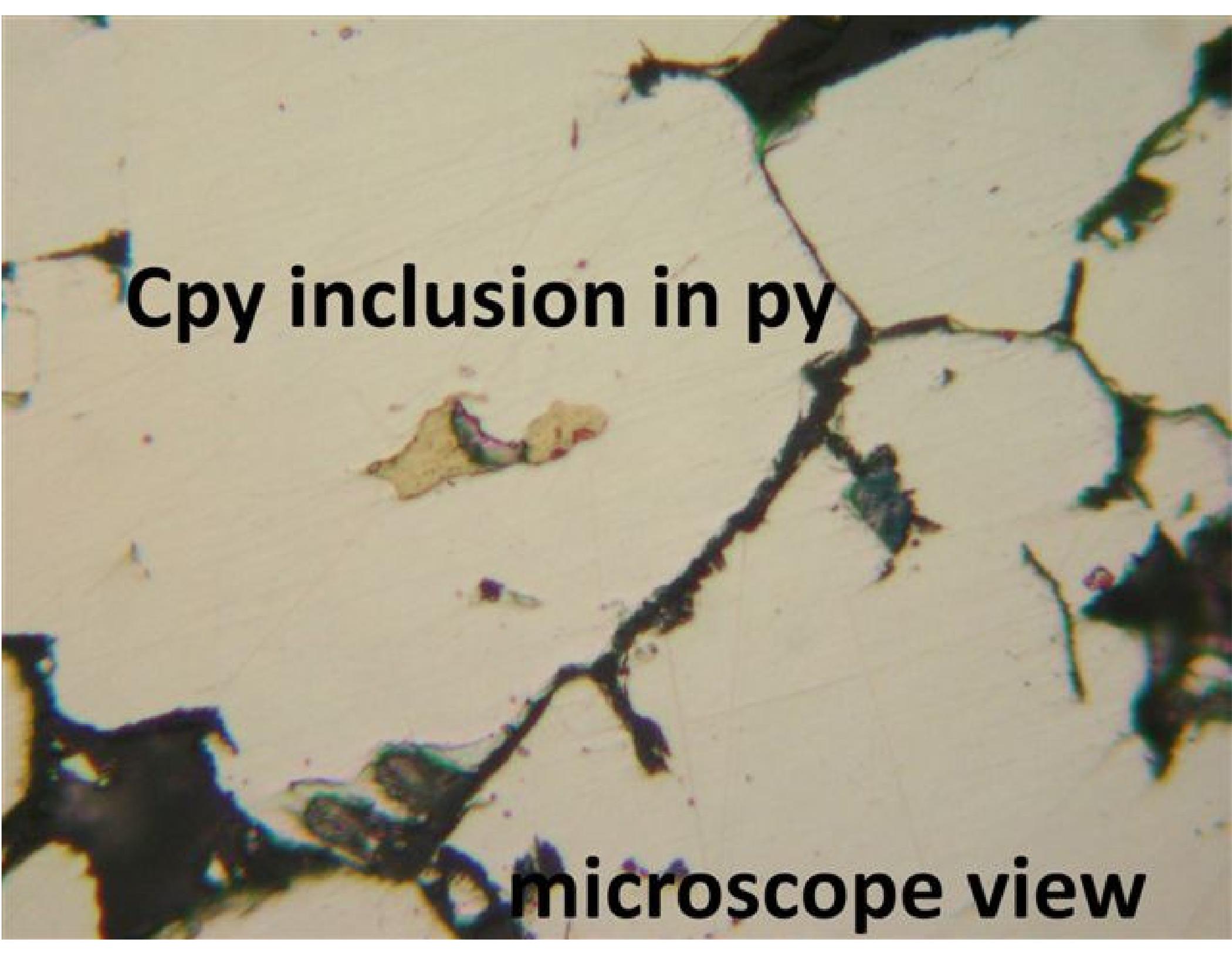
A microscopic image showing a dark, carbonaceous fragment with numerous small, circular, radiolarian fossils embedded within it. The fossils are arranged in a somewhat regular pattern, with some showing distinct radial structures. The surrounding matrix is dark and granular. A semi-transparent grey box with a white arrow points from the text to the fossils.

**Radiolaria in  
carbonaceous  
fragment**

# SHATTERED PYRITE

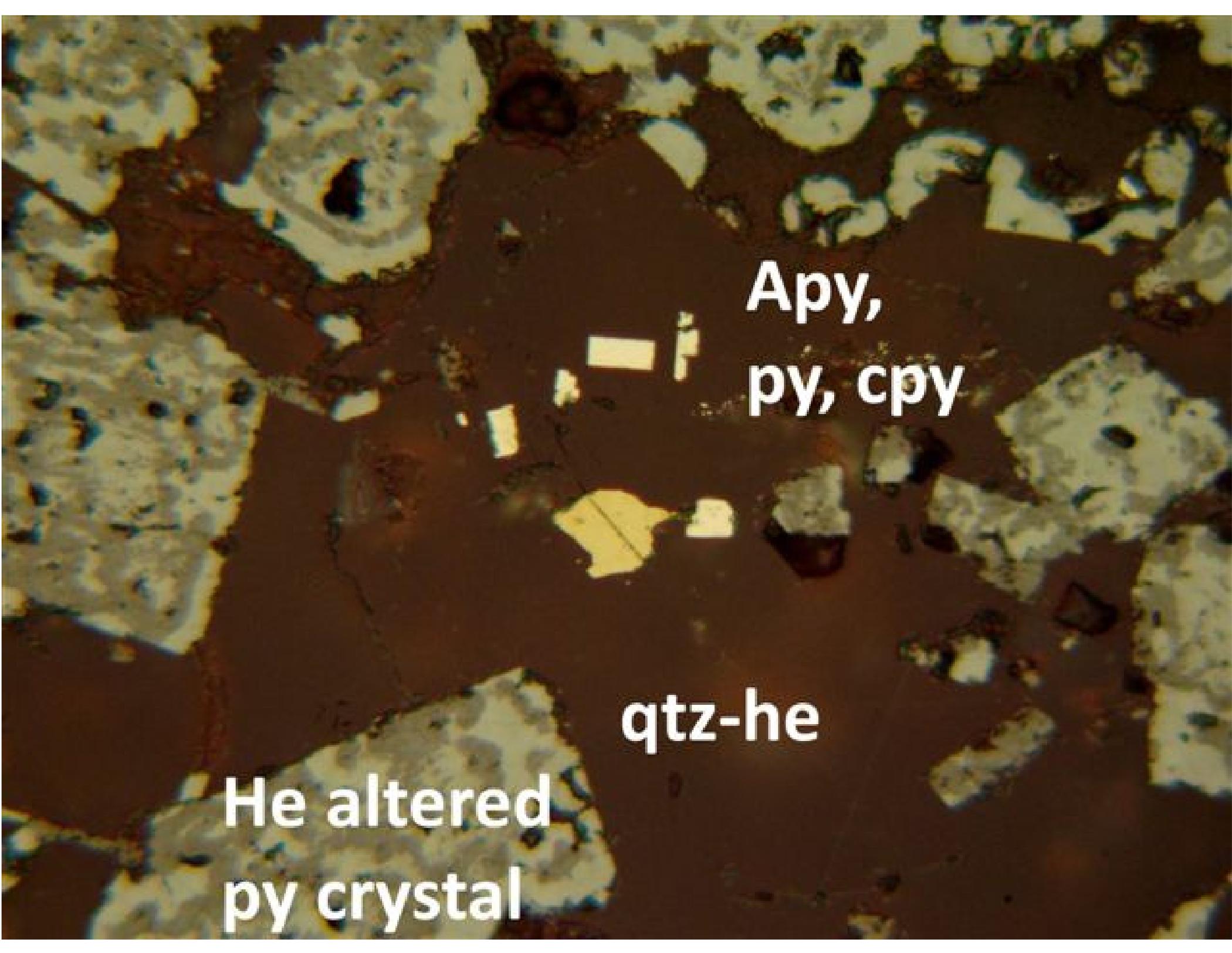


microscope view

A microscopic view of a plant stem section, likely from a monocot, showing a central pith region. The pith cells are arranged in a somewhat circular pattern. A prominent feature is a large, irregularly shaped inclusion within the pith cells, which is identified as a Cypripedium inclusion. The inclusion has a distinct, somewhat crystalline appearance with a yellowish-brown color. The surrounding pith cells are stained, showing various shades of green and purple. The overall structure is highly organized, with clear cell walls and distinct cellular boundaries.

**Cpy inclusion in py**

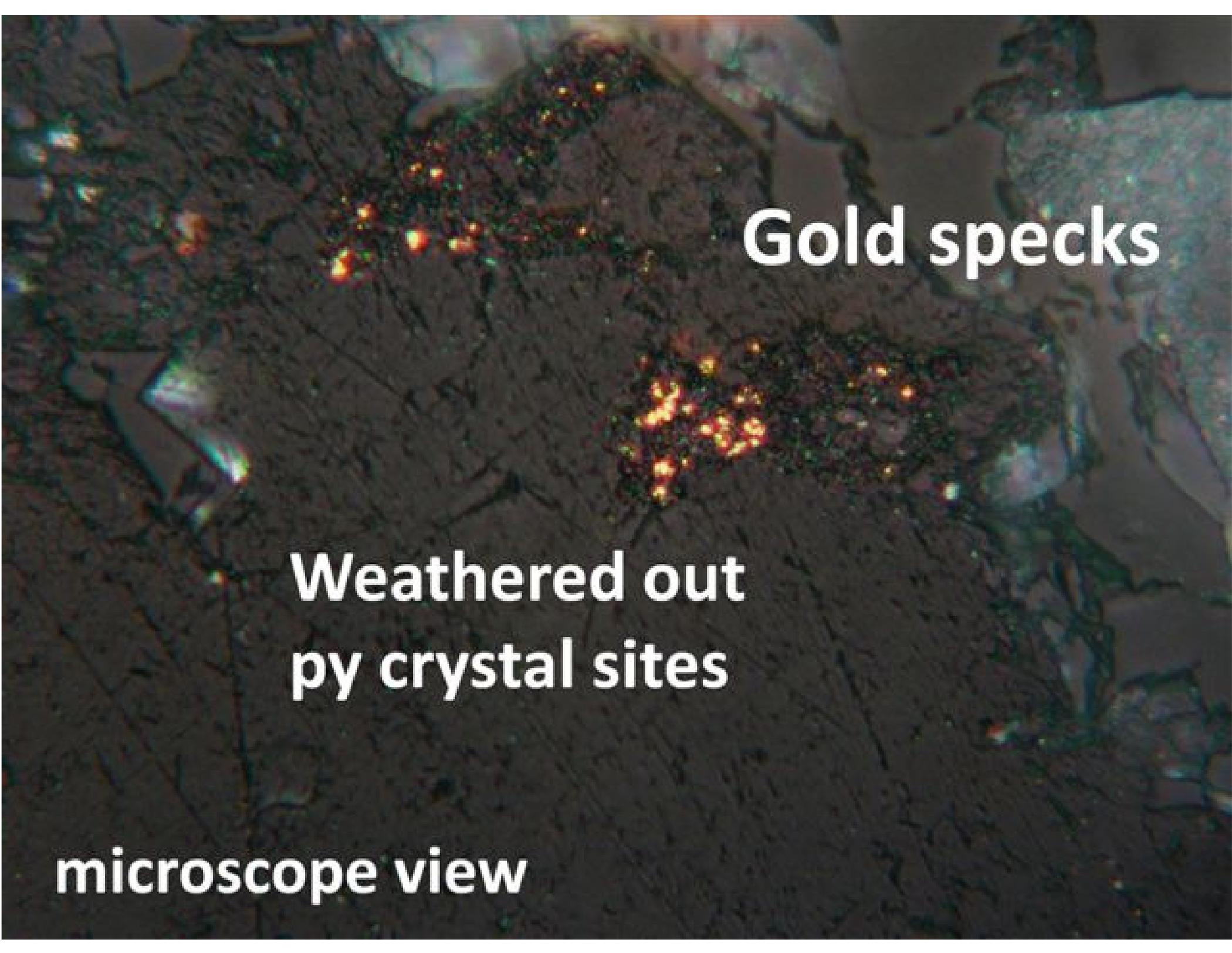
**microscope view**



**Apy,  
py, cpy**

**qtz-he**

**He altered  
py crystal**

A high-magnification microscope image showing a dark, textured mineral surface. The surface is covered with numerous small, bright orange and red specks, which are identified as gold. The background is a dark, crystalline structure with some lighter, blueish-grey areas. The text "Gold specks" is overlaid in white on the right side of the image.

**Gold specks**

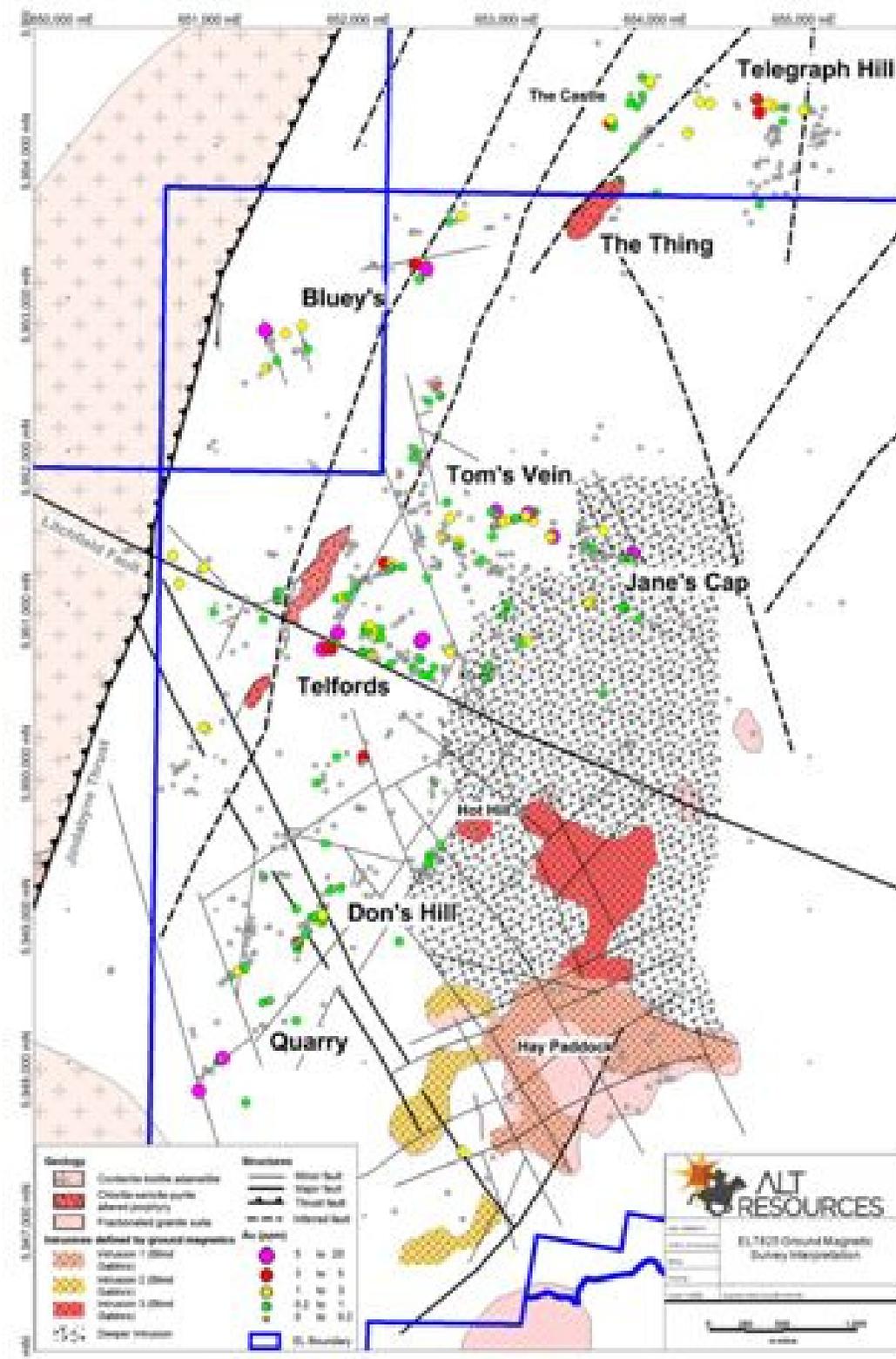
**Weathered out  
py crystal sites**

**microscope view**

# Paupong Aeromagnetic Interpretation

Outcropping  
intrusive rocks (solid  
colour)

Interpreted  
intrusives (stipple).

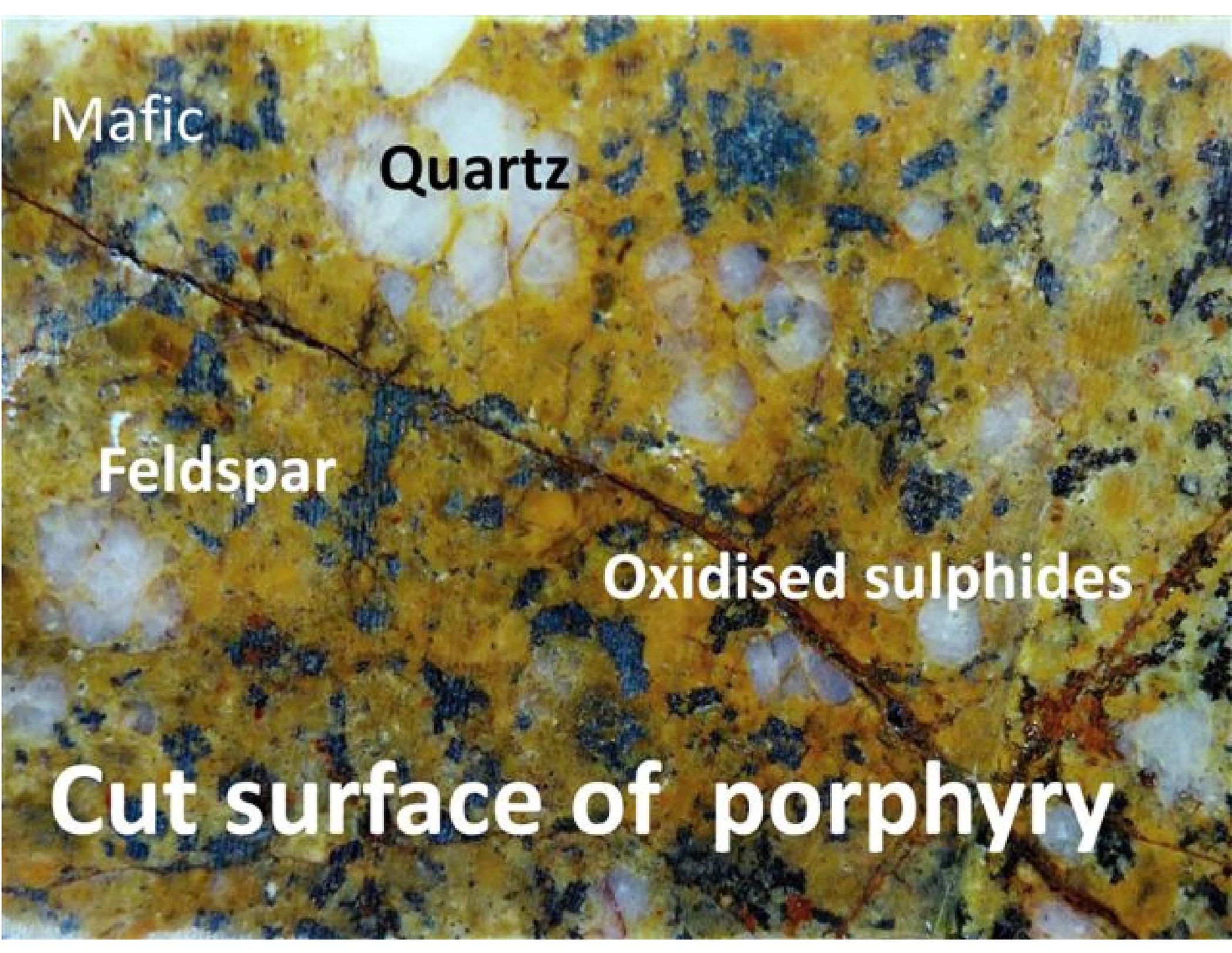


**Fractures,  
joints**

**Quartz  
veins**



**Weathered porphyry  
intrusion**

A photomicrograph showing a cut surface of porphyry. The image displays a complex texture with various mineral grains. A prominent feature is a network of dark, branching veins, likely representing oxidised sulphides. The background is a fine-grained, yellowish-brown matrix. Scattered throughout are larger, lighter-colored grains, some of which are identified as quartz and feldspar. The overall appearance is characteristic of a hydrothermal alteration zone.

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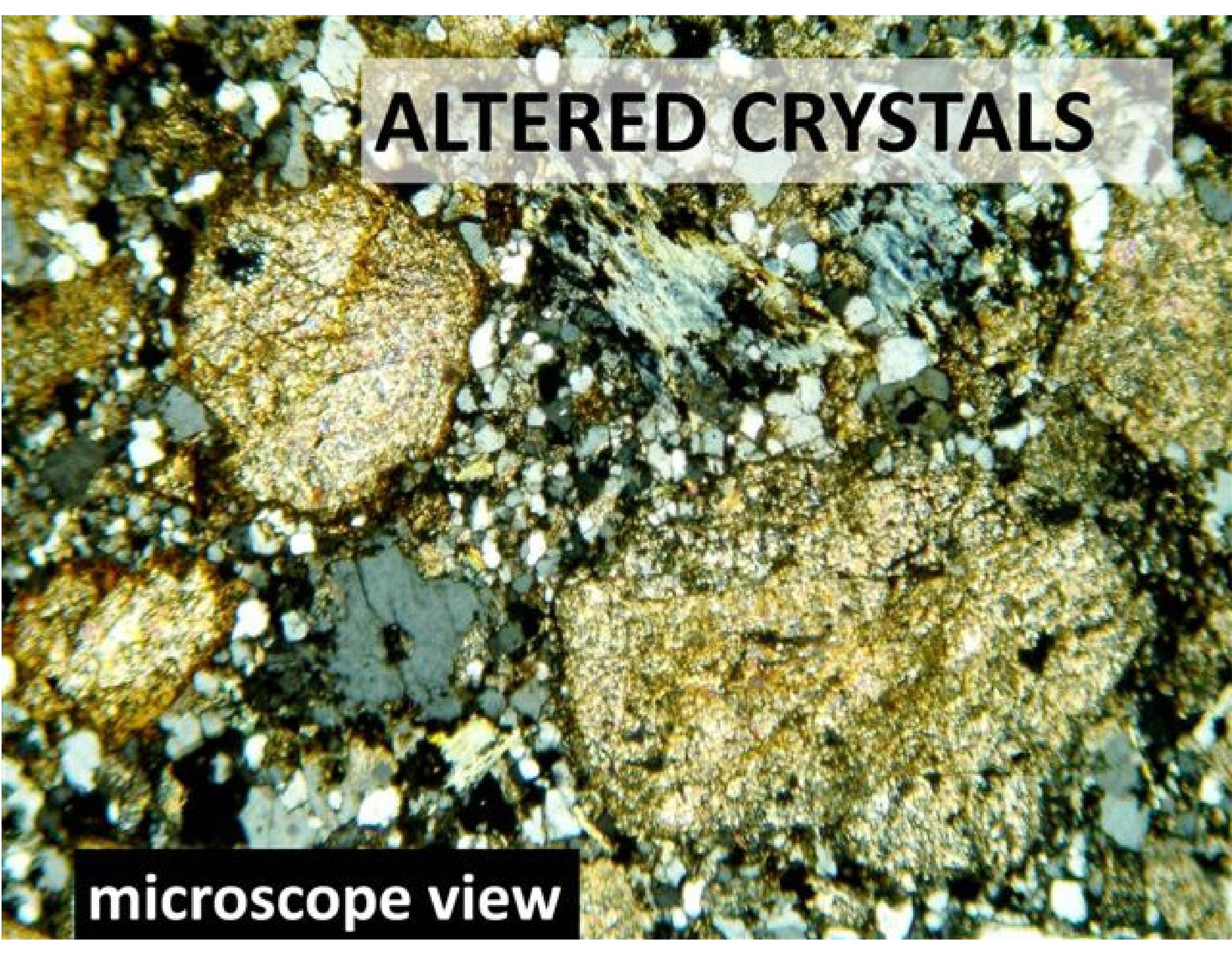
Quartz

Feldspar

Oxidised sulphides

Cut surface of porphyry

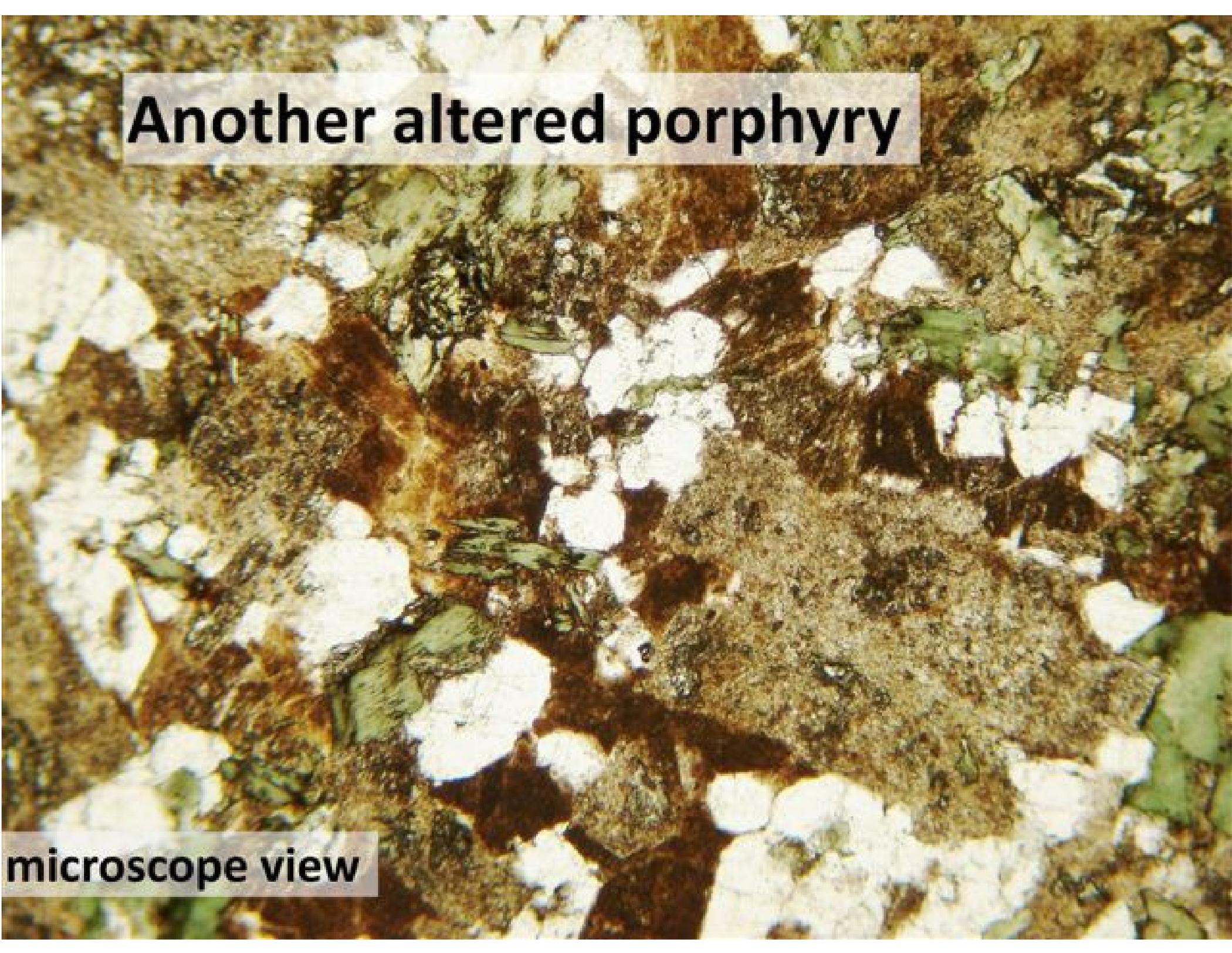
# ALTERED CRYSTALS

A microscopic view of a rock sample showing altered crystals. The image displays a complex texture with various mineral grains. Large, irregularly shaped grains with a brownish-gold color are prominent, surrounded by a matrix of smaller, darker, and more crystalline grains. The overall appearance is that of a highly textured, possibly metamorphosed or hydrothermally altered rock.

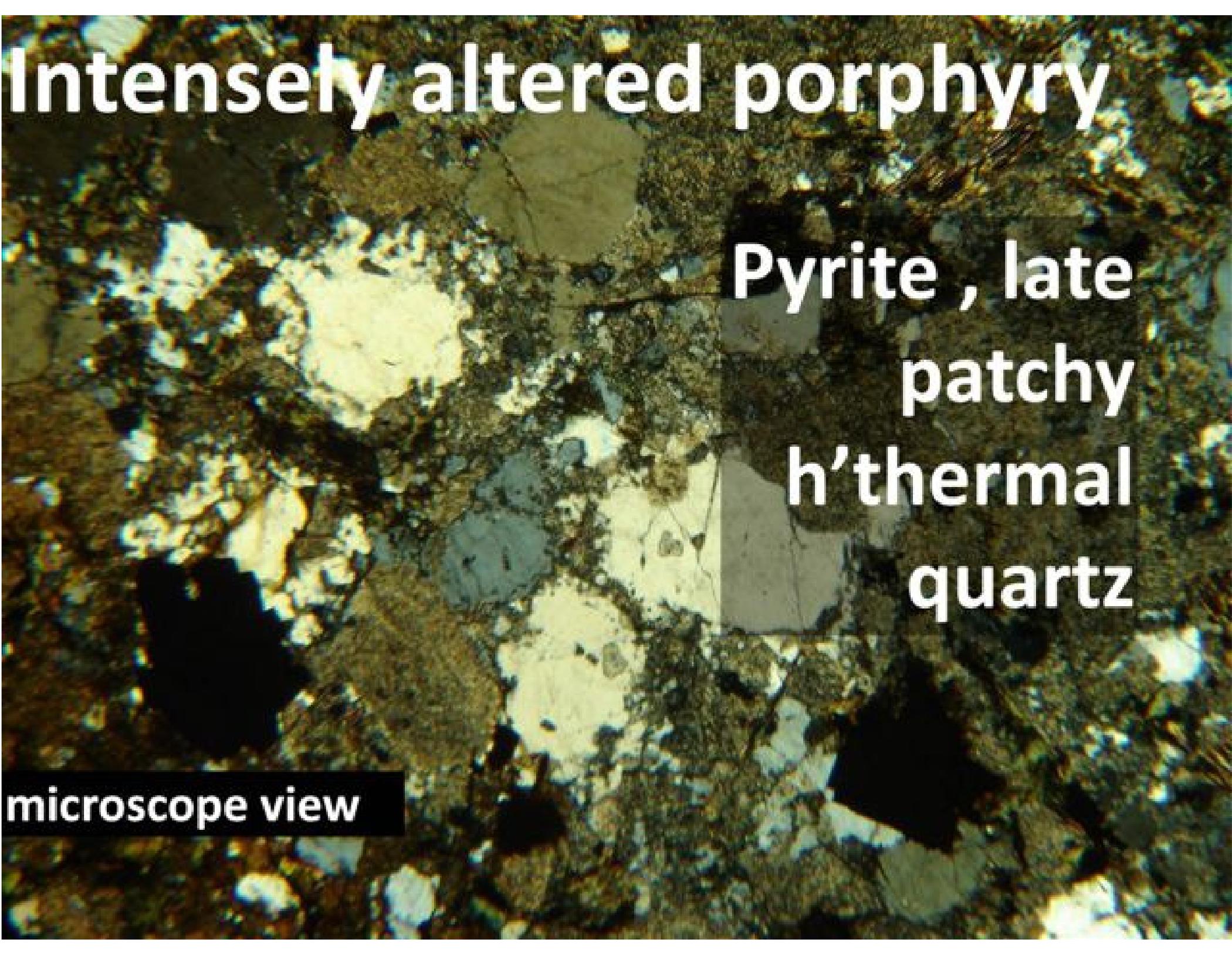
microscope view

# Another altered porphyry

microscope view



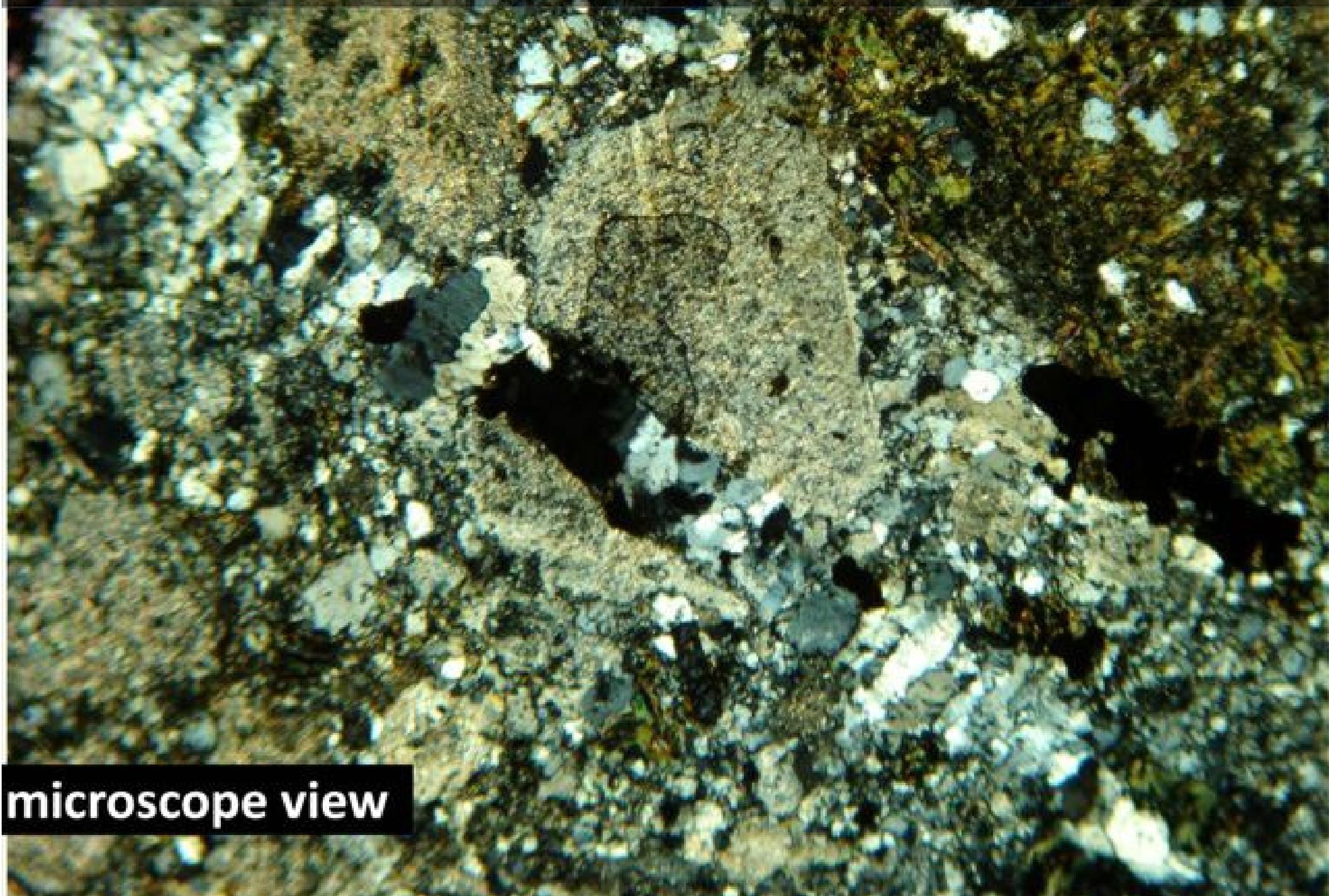
# Intensely altered porphyry

A microscopic view of intensely altered porphyry rock. The image shows a complex texture with various mineral grains. Large, irregular, light-colored (yellowish-white) patches are prominent, representing late hydrothermal quartz. Smaller, dark, angular grains are scattered throughout, identified as pyrite. The background is a dark, brownish matrix, likely composed of altered silicates. The overall appearance is highly heterogeneous and indicative of intense hydrothermal alteration.

Pyrite , late  
patchy  
h'thermal  
quartz

microscope view

# Fracture-located qtz vein with py



microscope view

**Miarolitic gas cavity in altered porphyry  
now filled with radial biotite-chlorite**



**microscope view**

## CONCEPTUAL MODEL

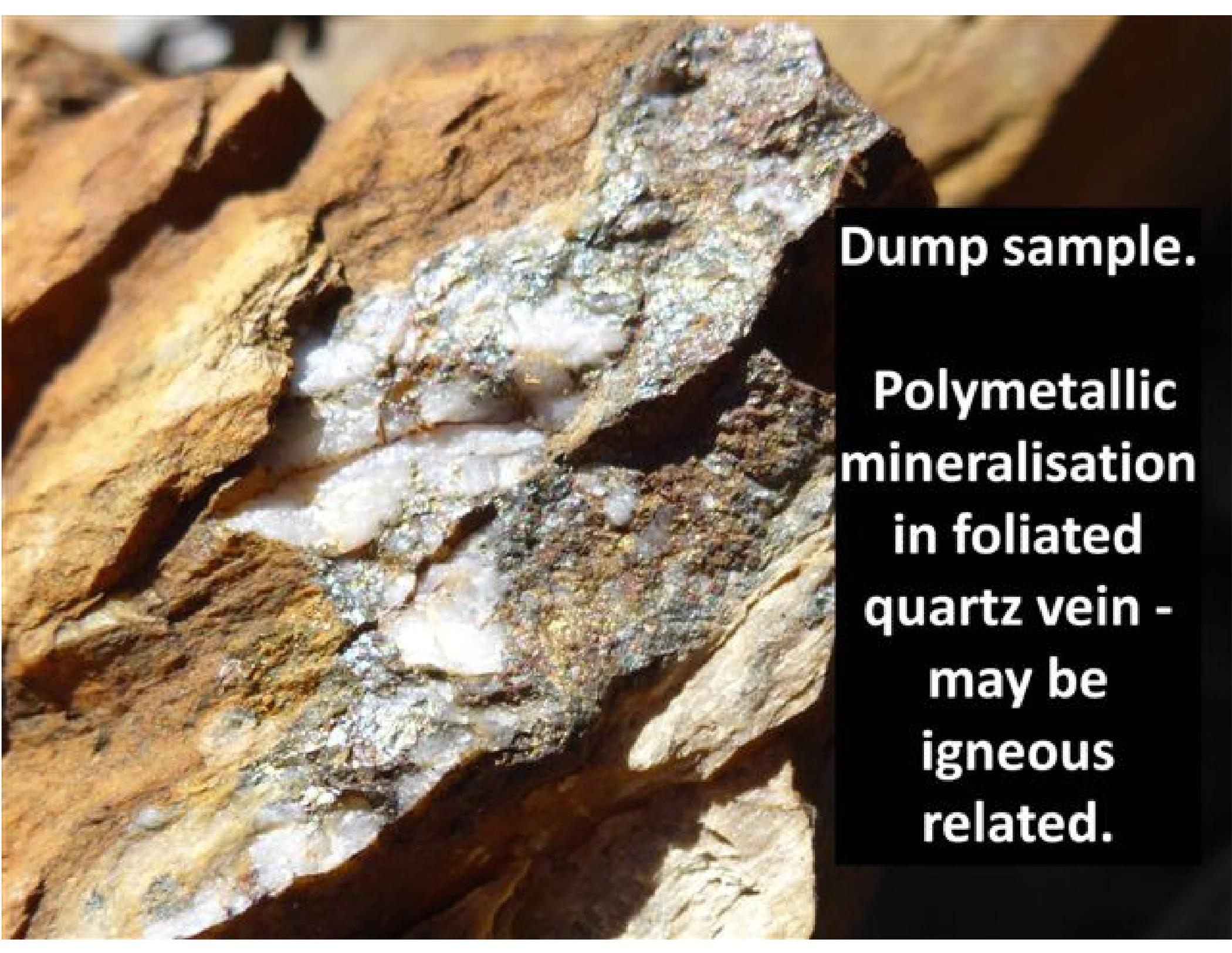
- Ordovician metasediments are faulted, silicified, brittle-fractured.
- Hydrothermal system is defined by multiple veining and brecciation events.
- Significant Au, Ag, apy, py, and base metal sulphides suggests IRS.
- A variety of S-type, and later I-type fractionated intrusive bodies are present.
- High level, altered, veined, mineralised porphyry suggests proximal igneous source.

# MYALLA PROSPECT

- Inlier of deformed Ordovician metasediments
- Small historic mine
- 11 historical DDH, significant base metals and gold –
- Au up to 21 g/t
- Alt plans two DDH (500m)



**Ordovician metasediments are strongly foliated and multiply deformed**



**Dump sample.**

**Polymetallic  
mineralisation  
in foliated  
quartz vein -  
may be  
igneous  
related.**

