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27 Abstract

28 Eclogitization reactions of plagioclase-bearing rocks in water-limited environments 29 are often incomplete. In such domains, metamorphism and strain localization interact, 30 yielding complex strain-transformation patterns in the field. This is the case in the granulite 31 facies anorthosites of Holsnøy, where partial eclogitization proceeds along digitations in 32 the least strained domains. These areas are among the rare examples of preserved early 33 eclogitization textures. The aim of this study is to assess the mechanical alteration induced 34 by plagioclase breakdown reactions, through a detailed petrological study of the very first increments of the eclogitization process, expected to be preserved at the tip of a digitation 35 36 in an apparently undeformed granulite block. We show that (i) the zoisite-forming reaction within plagioclase grains occurs unbalanced and initiates mechanical twinning, and 37 38 subgrains individualization, and (ii) kyanite-analcime association at plagioclase grain 39 boundaries gives evidence of partial melting, which might have affected the rock near the 40 peak P-T conditions in response to early water infiltration. This transient partial melting stage results in the re-crystallization of µm-scale plagioclase grains. Intra-grain and grain 41 42 boundary transformations therefore induce an effective grain size reduction. It constitutes 43 an alteration of the overall aggregate properties of the burying continental rocks, prior to 44 any significant deformation, at potentially low differential stress. Partially transformed 45 granulites are eventually weaker than initial granulites and are prone to later strain localization. 46

47 Keywords: eclogitization process; reaction-induced weakening; partial melting;
48 plagioclase mechanical twinning; grain size reduction

49 **1. Introduction**

50 Eclogitization is known to trigger important changes in mechanical properties of 51 rocks (i.e., strength and density), and is therefore considered as a key process for the 52 dynamics of convergence zones at short time scales (seismicity – Austrheim and Boundy 1994; Lund and Austrheim 2003; Hacker et al. 2003) as well as on the long-term (plate 53 54 tectonics - Kirby et al. 1996; Jung et al. 2004; Jackson et al. 2004; Hetényi et al. 2021). Concomitance between eclogitization reactions and deformation localization in ductile 55 shear-zones or in pseudotachylytes has been extensively described (Austrheim and 56 57 Boundy 1994; Früh-Green 1994; Lund and Austrheim 2003; John and Schenk, 2006; 58 Steltenpohl et al. 2006; Scambelluri et al. 2017). Although eclogitization is acknowledged 59 as a trigger for changes in the effective strength of rocks, how eclogitization reactions induce these rheological changes is still under investigation today. Indeed, eclogitization 60 of rocks consists in a set of reactions of variable kinetics, that successively take place with 61 62 increasing pressure and lead to the eventual formation of garnet and omphacite as index phases, but also secondary phases depending on the chemical system of the rock. These 63 reactions can be responsible for grain size reduction, for the release or consumption of 64 fluids, and can also lead to the nucleation of newly formed weaker or stronger phases, all 65 these processes being able to strongly affect the mechanical properties of the rock. 66 However, as several progressive transformations are involved in the eclogitization 67 68 process, the first reactions may generate transient phases and textures later obliterated by the subsequent reactions. In particular, within deformed zones where reactions usually 69 70 reached completion, these transient steps are not visible anymore. It is therefore crucial 71 to study undeformed and partially transformed zones where the first steps of mineral 72 breakdown may have been preserved (Wayte et al. 1989). It is indeed possible that these 73 first reaction steps play a major role in the ultimate localization of deformation (Brodie and 74 Rutter 1985).

Eclogitization of the continental lower crust constitutes a perfect case study for depicting these first reaction stages, due to the low reactivity of dry plagioclase, one of its main rock-forming mineral (Wain et al. 2001; John and Schenk 2003; Young and Kylander-Clark 2015; Schorn and Diener 2017; Shi et al. 2018; Incel et al. 2019). The

breakdown of this phase with increasing pressure involves two chemical systems that 79 present contrasted stoechiometries (Holland 1980; Goldsmith 1982) and decoupled 80 kinetics due to slow interdiffusion of NaSi and CaAI (Wayte et al. 1989): (1) the hydrated 81 Ca-system (zoisite formation from the reaction anorthite + H_2O = zoisite + kyanite + 82 quartz), and (2) the Na-system (jadeite formation from reaction albite = jadeite + quartz). 83 84 If reaction (2) has often been considered of major importance in the eclogitization process 85 and its mechanical consequences (Shi et al. 2018; Incel et al. 2019), reaction (1) that initiates earlier along the prograde P-T path is still an underrated transformation. For 86 87 instance, the crystallization kinetics and mechanical properties of epidote are still poorly known, although being one of the most ubiquitous minerals of metamorphism. However, 88 89 because fluids are involved in its balance, reaction kinetics can be very fast as soon as 90 fluids enter the system (Wayte et al. 1989; Rubie 1998; Pattison et al. 2011). This reaction 91 is also characterized by a sensible volume change (~15%). It is therefore expected to generate fast changes of the state of stress inside the grains themselves, then 92 93 mechanically destabilizing the rock at an early stage (Stünitz and Tullis 2001).

The island of Holsnøy (Scandinavian Caledonides) is ideal for studying the initial 94 95 steps of plagioclase breakdown at high pressure, because initial granulite is only partially transformed (20 - 30% - Boundy et al. 1992; Putnis et al. 2017). Zones of ongoing 96 97 eclogitization of the granulite have been described and mapped (Boundy et al. 1992) in shear-zones (Austrheim and Griffin 1985; Kaatz et al. 2021; Bras et al. 2021), in 98 99 pseudotachylytes and their damage zones (Austrheim and Boundy 1994; Petley-Ragan et al. 2018, 2019), as well as in undeformed haloes spreading around a central vein, or in 100 101 the form of diffuse patches (so-called eclogitic fingers – Jamtveit et al. 2000; Zertani et al. 102 2019; Putnis et al. 2021).

In order to discuss the potential importance of early plagioclase breakdown on the mechanical behavior of its host-rock, we here present a detailed petrological analysis of the first steps of the breakdown processes affecting plagioclase grains at their boundaries as well as at their interior, through a transect into the tip of an eclogite finger. Through the study of plagioclase crystallographic orientation patterns around newly formed zoisite, we elaborate on the stresses recorded within the partially reacted plagioclase grains that can

be accommodated by the activation of twin systems although the granulite remains 109 110 macroscopically undeformed. At plagioclase-plagioclase grain boundaries, transient products formed after plagioclase breakdown have been identified, such as kyanite-111 112 analcime-bearing associations that may result from crystallization after a melt. We use 113 thermodynamic modelling to state that partial melting is possible at pressure and temperature (P-T) conditions close to the one acknowledged for Holsnøy rocks. 114 115 Eventually, we elaborate on the importance of these initial stages of reaction and how 116 they possibly contribute to mechanical alteration of the plagioclase matrix (grain size reduction, melt production) even before strain localization. 117

2. Geological setting and sampling strategy

119 2.1 Geological context

120 The area studied here is situated in the island of Holsnøy, Bergen Arcs, Western Norway, 121 and is mostly composed of anorthosites an gabbros that underwent granulite facies 122 metamorphism 930 Ma ago, during the Grenvillian orogeny (Bingen et al. 2001). The 123 Bergen Arcs (inset Fig. 1a) have been formed by the nappe stacking of different units, 124 which accretion results from the collision between Baltica and Laurentia during the Caledonian orogeny (Roberts 2003). The island of Holsnøy exposure belongs to the 125 Lindås nappe (Andersen et al. 1991), composed of rocks that underwent high-pressure 126 127 metamorphism during the collisional Scandian phase at 430 Ma (Austrheim 1991; Kühn 128 et al. 2002, Bingen et al. 2004; Glodny et al. 2008; Jamtveit et al. 2019), and correlated to the Dalsford nappe in the Western Gneiss Complex, and the Jotun nappe within the 129 130 Scandian nappe pile inland (Andersen et al. 2012, Jakob et al. 2022). This tectonostratigraphic complex has been attributed to the distal part of the Baltica margin 131 132 (the Jotun microcontinent, Andersen et al. 2022) imbricated within the Scandian wedge 133 and then dilacerated during the late orogenic Caledonian extension.

Grenvilian granulite facies pervasive metamorphism occurred at temperatures of 800–
 850°C and pressures lower than 1 GPa (Austrheim and Griffin 1985). Incomplete reaction
 during the Scandian burial event developed a prograde amphibolite facies (0.8–1.0 GPa

~ 600-650°C (Glodny et al. 2008, Centrella et al. 2018, Moore et al. 2020) and peak 137 138 eclogite facies imprint (2.2 GPa, 690°C; Bhowany et al. 2018) disseminated inside a anorthositic and gabbroic complex. The two events (grenvilian and caledonian) were 139 140 preserved from later retrogression, restrained to the km-size amphibolite shear zones that 141 surround the granulite-eclogite massif (Boundy et al. 1992). For this reason, Holsnøy partly eclogitized granulites are a precious example of lower continental crust showing the 142 143 onset of eclogitization reactions, considered therefore as a field analogue of the of lower 144 continental crust portions buried at depth under present-day collisional orogens (like below Tibet for example, Austrheim and Boundy 1994; Jackson et al. 2004; Labrousse et 145 al. 2010 and references therein). 146

147 **2.2 Eclogitization extent and significance**

148 Mapping of lithologies present in Holsnøy have been described in several petrological studies since the 1980s (Austrheim and Griffin 1985; Austrheim 1987; Putnis et al. 2017, 149 150 2021: Bhowany et al. 2018; Bras et al. 2021: Jamtveit et al. 2018, 2021: Zertani et al. 151 2022) and the systematic relationships between eclogitization and strain led to the 152 definition of: (1) up to km-wide eclogitic shear zones that constitute an anastomosed network inside the pristine granulite, surrounded by less reacted zones where the 153 154 granulite becomes individualized into blocks by a network of thin m-wide eclogite facies 155 shear zones (breccia zones - Boundy et al. 1992), (2) zones of static eclogitization 156 (Jamtveit et al. 2000, 2016; Zertani et al. 2019, 2022; Putnis et al. 2021) appearing as 157 diffuse halos sometimes from a central fracture, but also (3) pseudotachylytes and their 158 damage zones that recrystallize into high-pressure paragenesis (1.5 GPa ~ 680°C Bhowany et al. 2018; Petley-Ragan et al. 2018), or into lower pressure paragenesis (1.0 159 GPa ~ 600°C, Petley-Ragan et al. 2019). 160

161 It has been proposed that transformations of granulites during the Caledonian 162 metamorphism remained partial because of the limited amount of fluids involved in the 163 reactions (Austrheim 1987; Jamtveit et al. 1990). Fluid supply is therefore a major 164 controlling factor for the eclogitization reaction in Holsnøy (Rubie 1986; Putnis and 165 Austrheim 2010; Putnis et al. 2017; Centrella 2019; Moore et al. 2020; Zertani et al. 2022) 166 and hence the observed associated heterogeneous strain pattern. It has also been 167 proposed that pressure and stress distribution were actually not homogeneous at the time of metamorphism and strain (Jamtveit et al. 2018; Moore et al. 2019; Putnis et al. 2021, 168 169 Moulas et al., 2022). The impact of the eclogitization reaction itself has eventually been 170 proposed to explain the observed intimate relationship between strain and eclogite facies imprint (Bras et al. 2021). In this prospect the relative chronology between development 171 172 of ductile eclogite facies shear zones, spreading of static eclogite facies halos, and brittle 173 deformation (pseudotachylytes) as well as the ability of these localized strain zones to 174 promote fluid percolation are the key evidence for the on-going debate.

175 2.3 Sampling strategy

176 The relationships between eclogitization front and strain at the shear zone boundaries 177 have been carefully documented in recent studies (Bras et al. 2021, Kaatz et al. 2022), 178 and show that (i) the fluid percolation front is further advanced in the granulite than the 179 effective reaction front (Kaatz et al. 2022) and (ii) that the reactions developing at the outer 180 edge of the strain zone actually involve only part of the bulk rock chemical system and 181 induce a substantial solid volume change (Bras et al. 2021). The very first increment of reactions seem therefore to have a critical effect on the fluid budget and the mechanical 182 183 alteration of the granulite. The aim of the present study is to complete the existing dataset 184 with detailed petrological observations performed at the locus where those very first 185 reactions increments are expected to be best preserved, i.e. at the tip of a "static" finger 186 within an overall undeformed granulite block.

187 The rocks studied here were sampled on an outcrop previously described in Bras et al. 188 (2021) at the tip of a meter-scale long and decimeter wide eclogite finger (Figs. 1c-d) that 189 develops into the granulite along its foliation, underlined in the field by elongated coronas 190 of garnet, orthopyroxene and clinopyroxene (red and black Fig. 1d; red zones Fig. 2b). 191 This finger is rooted in a dextral eclogitic shear zone with an orientation to N110, oblique 192 to the granulitic foliation, which strikes N020 (Fig. 1, SZ1 Bras et al., 2021). The orientation 193 of this shear zone is consistent with the global orientation of the shear at the scale of the 194 whole massif (i.e., parallel to the major Hundskjeften shear zone — Boundy et al. 1992;

195 Zertani et al. 2019 and Fig. 1a). Two thin sections have been prepared through the finger, 196 from the less reacted granulite to more eclogitized zones (Figs. 2,3, 4) and are localized 197 in Fig. 1d and in the inset of Fig. 2a (transect T1 at the tip of the finger contains unreacted 198 granulite whereas transect T2 is more internal, and therefore more eclogitized).

199 **3. Methods**

Thin sections were analyzed with scanning electron microscopy (SEM) to 200 201 backscattered (BSE) images and energy dispersive spectroscopy (EDS) maps. Analyses 202 were performed at ISTeP (Sorbonne Université, Paris) with a ZEISS Supra 55 variable pressure (VP) SEM-FEG (Field Emission Gun) and at ENS (Paris) with a ZEISS Sigma 203 204 SEM-FEG, both equipped with backscattered electron (BSE) and energy dispersive (EDS) 205 detectors. Operation conditions for EDS maps were set at 15 kV with a spot size of 2.27 206 µm for large-scale maps, and 10 kV with a spot size of 0.45 µm for small-scale maps, with 207 a working distance of 15 mm.

208 Quantitative mineral compositions were measured by electron probe micro-209 analysis (EPMA) at CAMPARIS facility (Sorbonne Université, Paris) using a CAMECA SX-100 and SX-FIVE electron microprobes. Working conditions were set to 15 kV 210 accelerating voltage, 10 nA beam current, 5 µm beam size and 10 s counting time for 211 major mineral analysis. Albite, orthoclase, Fe2O3, MnTiO3, Cr2O3 and diopside were 212 213 used as standards. For analcime analysis, they were set to 15 kV accelerating voltage, 4 214 nA beam current, a counting time of 5 s on the peak for Na, K and Si instead of 10 s for 215 other elements, and a defocussed beam size of 5 µm in order to avoid Na and K losses 216 that are expected while analyzing weakly crystallized phases or glasses (Morgan and London 1996, 2005). These two elements were measured first in that respect. The 217 218 following reference glasses were used for alkali-loss correction: BCR-2G, BHVO-2G, BIR-219 1G. H₂O concentrations in analcime and amorphous pools are calculated by difference of 220 chemical analyses totals from 100 %.

For Electron back-scatter diffraction (EBSD) mapping, thin sections were additionally polished with colloidal silica. EBSD analyses were carried out at ISTeP

(Sorbonne Université, Paris) using a ZEISS Supra 55 VP SEM-FEG and at ENS (Paris) 223 224 using a ZEISS Sigma SEM-FEG, both equipped with an EBSD detector. Samples were tilted to 70° during acquisition, with electron beam set to 15 kV, and a beam current of 10 225 226 nA at a working distance of 15 mm. At ISTeP, data acquisition was performed with a 227 Quantax Esprit 2.2 software and post-processing done with the same sample software. whereas at ENS data acquisition was performed with an Oxford Instrument Aztec software 228 229 and post-processing done using Oxford Instruments Channel 5.12 software Tango. Postprocessing consisted in applying a wild spike and iterative nearest neighbour corrections. 230 231 EBSD data were processed with the Matlab Toolbox MTEX (version 5.3.1) for grain reconstruction and crystal orientation analysis (Bachmann et al. 2010). Data sets were 232 233 cleaned from points with mean angular deviation (MAD) index > 1. Grain boundaries are defined by misorientations $\geq 10^{\circ}$. Grains ≤ 3 pixels were removed. Grain size is calculated 234 from grain areas (A) by the equivalent diameter equation $d = 2\sqrt{\frac{A}{\pi}}$. In order to process 235 EBSD data, plagioclase crystal lattice has been defined from labradorite of the American 236 *Mineralogist*'s crystal structure database (Wenk et al. 1980) as follows: a = 8.17 Å, b =237 12.87 Å, c = 7.10 Å, $\alpha = 93.46^{\circ}$, $\beta = 116.05^{\circ}$, $\gamma = 90.48^{\circ}$, and space group is *P*-1. Twin 238 boundaries are defined by misorientations > 178° between adjacent plagioclase grains, 239 i.e., ± 2° away from the theoretical 180° around *b*-axis rotation associated to albite and 240 pericline twinning (Figs. 5a, b). Preferential orientation of maximal finite shortening (Z) and 241 242 stretching (X) directions for each plagioclase grain were plotted in stereodiagrams after calculation from plagioclase crystal theory (Lawrence 1970; Borg and Heard 1970; 243 244 Egydio-Silva and Mainprice 1999) using pixel orientations in twinned and un-twinned regions (e.g., Fig. 5c). As albite and pericline twinning systems are orthogonal and contain 245 246 each other Burgers vector, focal mechanism-like «beachballs » could be drawn after the aforementioned stereodiagrams by coloring compression quadrants in white and tension 247 guadrants in black (e.g., inset Fig. 5c). Note that both twin planes express the same stress 248 249 field, but none of them are required to infer from the best strain ellipsoid. Indeed, as their 250 orientation in the crystal is unique, crystal orientation only is sufficient. Best stress orientation for activation of plagioclase twinning system can also be inferred from Schmid 251 factor (SF) calculations. SF is the coefficient that links the component of externally applied 252

253 stresses normal to the slip plane (σ_0 , Fig. 5a) to the resulting shear stresses acting on the 254 slip plane in the slip direction (τ , Fig. 5a), as expressed by the Schmid law: $\tau = \sigma_0 \times SF$ with $SF = \cos(\alpha) \times \cos(\beta)$, with α the angle between σ_0 and the externally applied force, 255 256 and β the angle between τ and the externally applied force (Fig. 5a). Maximum value of 257 SF is 0.5 at 45° of slip direction and slip plane pole, as inferred from geometrical 258 considerations (Fig. 5a), and because twinning system not only has a direction but also a 259 sense for gliding, minimum SF value is -0.5. For each plagioclase grain analyzed by 260 EBSD, SF was color-plotted as a spherical function (e.g., Fig. 5c), by calculating the best 261 stress tensor orientations for each pixel of un-twinned regions in order to activate albite or 262 pericline twinning systems.

Raman analysis were performed at ENS with a Renishaw Invia Raman 263 264 microspectrometer equipped with a 514 nm Cobolt laser. The Lithothèque ENS de Lyon 265 database (https://lithotheque.ens-lyon.fr/Raman/raman.php) was used for mineral identification by peak comparison between reference mineral spectra and spectra that have been acquired 266 with a 50x objective between 175 cm⁻¹ and 2062 cm⁻¹. Intensities between 2432 cm⁻¹ and 267 3886 cm⁻¹ were additionally collected for water band observation. Resolution was 1.8 cm⁻ 268 ¹, spectra were integrated over 90 s, and the laser power was 5 mW on the sample. 269 270 Acquired spectra were normalized to their maximum intensity.

271 Thermodynamic modelling was used to estimate possible P-T conditions for melting, for three different chemical systems and with variable water contents. 272 Perple X 6.9.1 (Connolly 1990, 2009) was used for this purpose, with the internally 273 274 consistent thermodynamic database hp62ver.dat (Holland and Powell 2011). The solution 275 models are for ternary feldspar (Holland and Powell 2003), epidote (Holland and Powell 276 2011), garnet (White et al. 2014), clinopyroxene (Green et al. 2007), clinoamphibole 277 (Green et al. 2016), white mica (White et al. 2014) and melt (Green et al. 2016). We also 278 performed calculations with the thermodynamic database hp11ver.dat (Holland and 279 Powell 2011) with the solution model for haplogranitic melt (Holland and Powell 2001; 280 White et al. 2001) for comparison with the tonalitic melt solution model of Green et al. 281 (2016). This solution model for the melt is more consistent with our chemical system but 282 not well constrained at high pressures. Consistent solution models for the other minerals are for ternary feldspar (Fuhrman and Lindsley 1988), epidote (Holland and Powell 2011),
garnet (Holland and Powell 1998), clinopyroxene (Holland and Powell 1996),
clinoamphibole (Diener et al. 2011), and white mica (Coggon and Holland 2002;
Auzanneau et al. 2010).

287 **4. Results**

4.1. Petrological evolution of a static eclogite facies finger

289 **4.1.1. The granulite away from the finger**

The less reacted granulite analyzed here consists of ferro-magnesian elongated 290 coronas (~ 30%) that mark the granulitic foliation in an anorthositic matrix (Fig. 2c). 291 292 Chemical compositions are given in Table 1 and phase abbreviations are after Kretz 293 (1983). Coronas are composed of millimeter-sized euhedral grains of garnet 294 (Alm₂₅Grs₁₉Py₅₆), slightly jadeitized clinopyroxene (Di₆₄Hd₁₇Jd₁₉) and amphibole. Garnet 295 is pervasively fractured within a predominant network of ~N040 to N045 fractures (red 296 arrows in T1, Fig. 2a). Fractures perpendicular to the finger elongation are also 297 discernable on the more internal transect (red arrows in T2, Fig. S1a). Matrix is composed 298 of millimeter-sized euhedral grains of plagioclase (An₄₁Ab₅₈Or₀₁) with minor isolated garnets. Other minor phases can be identified within the granulite as Fe-Ti oxides and 299 300 apatite (bright minerals Figs. 2a, S1a). This low-transformed area constitutes the first 5 301 mm from the western part of transect T1, and is almost not present in transect T2. 302 Eclogitization in this area is limited and is marked by the nucleation of zoisite + K-feldspar 303 at plagioclase-plagioclase grain boundaries that are 10-20 µm thick (orange arrows in Figs. 2a, 2c, 3a). Zoisite form sheaves of needles often elongated perpendicular to the 304 305 grain boundary, inside diffuse patches of potassium feldspar. The initiation of the reaction 306 is also characterized by the growth of a thin rim (20–30 µm) of omphacite at plagioclase-307 garnet grain boundaries (Figs. 2c,3d). Some µm-thick needles of zoisite and minor kyanite 308 needles also nucleate inside the plagioclase grains.

309 **4.1.2. Evolution toward the finger**

310 The amount of zoisite and kyanite found inside plagioclase grains increases toward 311 the center of the finger. Preferential growth of these minerals is guided by plagioclase clivages, as underlined by the non-random orientation of zoisite and kyanite long axis (Fig. 312 313 2d). Plagioclase in this region is more albitic ($An_{13}Ab_{86}Or_{01}$). Quartz is rarely observed. The omphacite rim around garnet is thicker than in the less transformed area described 314 in Section 4.1.1 and takes the form of an outer rim of hundreds of microns thick and an 315 316 inner thinner rim, separated by kyanite grains that underline the former plagioclase-garnet grain boundary (Fig. 2d). These kyanite grains are therefore considered as the remnants 317 of an early crystallization stage. A clinopyroxene-plagioclase symplectite at grain 318 boundaries in both rims marks limited retrogression. Omphacite grain-size in these rims 319 320 is ~ 100 μ m (Figs. 2d, 3f). Slight zoning in garnet is visible in BSE images (Figs. 2d, 3e) 321 with a Fe-enriched / Mg-depleted rim (Alm₄₃Grs₁₇Py₄₀) free of inclusions and with a 322 tortuous boundary toward the inner omphacite rim. Although not further elaborated, it is to be noted that garnet in this area re-equilibrated to eclogite facies conditions as 323 324 described by Raimbourg et al. (2007) (equivalent to re-equilibrated garnet II) while the 325 growth of a Ca-richer eclogitic garnet (garnet III from same authors) is not observed, 326 except as exsolutions along clinopyroxene crystal planes (as described by Raimbourg 2005). Jadeite component in clinopyroxene increased to Di₃₄Hd₁₀Jd₅₃Ts₀₃. Chemical 327 328 evolution of clinopyroxene as well as fluid flow through the finger have been precisely 329 described in analogue lithologies (Putnis et al. 2021; Zertani et al. 2022; respectively), and 330 are therefore not detailed here.

331 4.1.3. In the core of the finger

Complete breakdown of plagioclase is only reached in the center of the finger, in zones where the distance between garnet grains is limited (<1–2 mm) and therefore allowed diffusion of Na-Si and Ca-Al between garnet and plagioclase (Fig. S1a). In these zones (Fig. 2e), plagioclase has been totally replaced by an assemblage of omphacite ($Di_{35}Hd_{10}Jd_{49}Ts_{06}$) and phengite + kyanite + zoisite + apatite + rutile as minor phases. Kyanite grains underline former grain boundaries between plagioclase and ferromagnesian phases (green arrows in Fig. 2a).

339 **4.2. Strain recorded inside plagioclase grains**

340 Intragranular plastic deformation inside plagioclase grains in partially transformed zone was estimated by calculating the angular difference between average orientation of 341 342 each plagioclase grain and individual orientation of pixels belonging to this grain 343 (Mis2Mean, Fig. 5d). High misorientation angle domains (up to 6°) are observed within 344 plagioclase grains and seem limited by zoisite and kyanite inclusions (Fig. 5d), implying 345 that they arise from strain accumulated during or after inclusions development. Although 346 albite and pericline twinning in plagioclase can arise both from growth and plastic 347 deformation. (Borg and Heard 1969; Marshall and McLaren 1977; Smith and Brown 1988), deformation twins can be identified by morphological criteria. They are usually irregular, 348 349 present lenticular forms, and are limited by lattice defects in the grain (as cracks for 350 example), in opposition to growth twins that have parallel boundaries and strike through 351 the entire grain (Incel et al., 2022). In the studied plagioclase crystal, we can therefore 352 infer that twins are related to strain because (i) they are limited by zoisite inclusions (Fig. 353 5e, 4b), (ii) they are of variable thickness and some are lenticular, and (iii) they correspond to low misorientation areas (Fig. 5d) and individualize domains of high misorientation, i.e., 354 355 they also accommodate intragranular deformation. Most of the activated twins are albite 356 twins. Some grains show pericline twins associated with albite twins, but none of the 357 observed grains show pericline twinning activated only.

358 Plagioclase grains from poorly transformed areas were chosen for SF calculation (see location on T1 Fig. 6a). They present a various but limited quantity of zoisite and 359 360 kyanite grains growing in their interiors. Best orientation for maximum shortening at the 361 time of twinning formation was deduced from twinned and un-twinned regions orientation (as in the example of Figs. 5d-f, where deformation twins most probably formed in 362 363 response to a shortening of NNE-SSW orientation). This orientation, approximatively 364 N182, 42°, is visible on the focal mechanism-like «beachballs » stack (Fig. 6b), and 365 guantitatively specified by the synthetic SF spherical function (Fig. 6c) that was calculated 366 by stacking and averaging the SF of the regions of Fig. 6a. Orientation map for a plagioclase grain in a region where the reaction is more advanced (location on Fig. 6a) 367 has been plotted over band contrast image in Fig. 7. We can see that in this region, 368

plagioclase has been dismantled in small 10 µm-scale plagioclase and zoisite grains (Fig.
7b).

371 **4.3. Analcime-bearing textures**

372 Analcime pools have been identified at former plagioclase-plagioclase grain 373 boundaries (Fig. 8) in partially transformed zones (white arrows Figs. 2a, S1a), as inferred 374 from the association with zoisite sheaves of needles typical from former plagioclase-375 plagioclase grain boundaries (Fig. 8a). Analcime was identified by Raman analysis (Fig. 376 9, see also Velde and Besson (1981) for spectra comparison), consistent with microprobe 377 chemical analysis (Table 2) and EBSD indexing in some limited regions (Fig. S3). Non-378 indexing in other regions (Fig. 10) may be due to the high electron beam sensitivity of 379 such zeolite crystals (Greer and Zhou 2011), or poor crystallinity. Analcime pools are often 380 porous (red arrow Fig. 8c) and electron beam creates a hole inside them (red arrow Figs. 381 8b, S4a).

Analcime pools which have a diameter of ~10-80 µm, present different 382 morphologies within the sample, but are always associated with kyanite. Indeed, analcime 383 384 can form a thin rim (< 5 μ m) around kyanite (10–20 μ m grain size) that crosscut initial 385 plagioclase grains forming an alignment of minerals (Figs. 8a,b). When in contact with plagioclase, analcime pools form cusps with low dihedral angles pointing into plagioclase 386 387 (red arrows Figs. 10b,c). Sometimes fine-grained plagioclase (< 1 µm) crystallized 388 between kyanite grains and analcime pools (Figs. 8a, 10b-e). These late grains are more 389 calcic (An₂₆₋₂₉Ab₇₀₋₇₂Or₀₁₋₀₂, Table 2) than plagioclase surrounding the analcime-kyanite-390 bearing grain boundary (An₁₅Ab₈₃Or₀₂, « plagioclase in matrix » in Table 2). Several 391 kyanite grains associated with analcime contain 1–2 µm rounded inclusions of quartz 392 (Figs. 8a, 10c). In zones where analcime areas really form pools, we can observe the 393 syntaxial crystallization of K-feldspar (Fig. 8b). Rarely, some euhedral quartz grains also 394 grow inside the analcime pools (Fig. 8c). Where these particular grain boundaries reach 395 a ferro-magnesian mineral as garnet or clinopyroxene, analcime pools are not present 396 and the unique remnant of former grain boundary with plagioclase is kyanite inside the 397 double omphacite rims (green arrows Fig. 2; red arrow Fig. 8e). The zones where 398 analcime-bearing grain boundaries join omphacite rims are often affected by some 399 retrogression under the form of a Ca-clinopyroxene+plagioclase symplectite, and 400 analcime pools there appear surrounded by a thin layer (~4-5 µm) of the Ca-401 clinopyroxene, which indicates that the symplectite develops after formation of these pools 402 (Fig. 8c). Analcime can also be found associated with zoisite needles (Figs. 8a, 10a). In some of these regions, zoisite is directly in contact with analcime and presents straight 403 404 grain boundaries (Fig. 8a). In other regions (Fig. 10), zoisite is surrounded by fine-grained 405 plagioclase grains (<1 µm, as described above for kyanite). However, in contrast to 406 kyanite which presents straight boundaries, plagioclase surrounding zoisite forms cusps 407 pointing into it with low dihedral angles, so that zoisite boundaries appear tortuous (Fig. 408 10b). In some places, zoisite ultimately breaks down into anorthite-rich plagioclase. In 409 these areas, analcime around kyanite progressively transforms into anorthite-rich 410 plagioclase forming a continuous network from zoisite to kyanite, while analcime pools seem pseudomorphosed by guartz (Fig. 8f). Analcime also crystallized inside injectite-like 411 412 veins that crosscut all the paragenesis (yellow arrows Figs. 2, 8d), and even the 413 symplectite after omphacite. Chemical composition of analcime in these veins is reported 414 in Table 2. We did not find any textures indicating that a liquid of analcime composition 415 could have been injected from the veins into the former plagioclase-plagioclase grain 416 boundaries, rather the veins seem to crosscut these grain boundaries (Fig. 8d). Reaction 417 between the veins and the minerals they crosscut is never observed.

418 **5. Discussion**

419 Our results show that a reaction sequence can be inferred from successive 420 observations from the pristine granulite (out of the finger) to the core of the « static » 421 eclogite finger. Such spatial evolution can be interpreted as the time sequence of 422 successive reactions, following a hydration process from the core to the boundaries of the 423 eclogite finger (Austrheim 1987; Jamtveit et al. 1990; Jamtveit et al. 2000; Zertani et al. 424 2022). As no significant deformation occurred in our static eclogite facies finger, the petrological record we describe here is interpreted as the earliest stage of the 425 426 eclogitization process, prior any feedback of strain on reactions. Analcime-bearing 427 textures and twinning observed within plagioclase could therefore correspond to remnants 428 of the early eclogitization history. We here discuss this point in the light of previous work.

429 5.1. Reaction sequence preserved through the static eclogitic finger

430 Assuming homogeneous P-T conditions through the whole finger, it is very likely that the edge-to-core petrological evolution described in Section 4.1 corresponds to a 431 temporal evolution of the eclogitization. The very beginning stages of reaction would then 432 433 have been fossilized at the finger edge, whereas more advanced stages would have been 434 preserved when approaching the center. This could be due to a two-step fluid diffusion in 435 the granulite (first fast H^{+}/H_{2} , then slower $H_{2}O$) as it has been proposed for eclogitic shear 436 zones in Holsnøy (Kaatz et al., 2022). The observation of potassium being integrated into 437 K-feldspar in the least transformed areas in opposition to the more transformed domains 438 where it is integrated into phengite is also in agreement with a gradient in water activity. 439 In that prospect, we can propose a reaction sequence for the static eclogitization of the 440 granulite comparable to the ones proposed by Bras et al. (2021) and Kaatz et al. (2022) 441 for eclogitic shear zones. Although reactions involving a solid solution such as plagioclase are by definition divariant, the extreme difference in reaction kinetics between the Na and 442 443 Ca end-members reactions implies that reactions need to be assessed separately, which 444 does not imply they are independent. The first reaction grain boundaries involves the Ca 445 chemical system with the nucleation of zoisite needles intergrown with K-feldspar (Figs. 446 2c, 3a,b). Then, reaction starts inside plagioclase grains by the nucleation of zoisite and kyanite needles, which leads to an albitization of the former plagioclase (Fig. 2d). This first 447 stage of reaction corresponds to the anorthite breakdown reaction that can be written 448 449 under the form of:

450 4 CaAl₂Si₂O₈ + 2 H₂O
$$\rightarrow$$
 2 Ca₂Al₃Si₃O₁₂(OH) + H₂Al₂Si₂O₈
451 4 An + 2 H₂O \rightarrow 2 Zo + H–Pl (1)

452 as proposed by Kaatz et al. (2022) for the first step of hydrogen influx into the nominally
453 anhydrous plagioclase, followed then by the real hydration reaction:

- 454 4 CaAl₂Si₂O₈ + H₂O \rightarrow 2 Ca₂Al₃Si₃O₁₂(OH) + Al₂SiO₅ + SiO₂
- $455 \quad 4 \text{ An} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow 2 \text{ Zo} + \text{Ky} + \text{Qtz}$ (2)

456 (Golsdmith 1982; Wayte et al. 1989), when the solubility of hydrogen in plagioclase is
457 reached. Na diffusion at plagioclase-ferromagnesian phases grain boundaries then
458 triggers the formation of omphacite grains, intergrown with kyanite and minor zoisite (Figs.
459 2d, 3d,e,f), following the reactions:

(3)

(4)

460 3 CaAl₂SiO₆ + 2 NaAlSi₃O₈
$$\rightarrow$$
 2 NaAlSi₂O₆ + 2 Al₂SiO₅ + Ca₃Al₂Si₃O₁₂

461 3 Ca–ts + 2 Ab \rightarrow 2 Jd (in Cpx) + 2 Ky + Grs

462 3 CaAl₂Si₂O₈ + NaAlSi₃O₈ + Mg₃Al₂Si₃O₁₂
$$\rightarrow$$
 3 CaMgSi₂O₆ + NaAlSi₂O₆ + 4 Al₂SiO₅

463 3 An + Ab + Prp
$$\rightarrow$$
 3 Di + Jd + 4 Ky

464 at plagioclase-clinopyroxene and plagioclase-garnet grain boundaries respectively (Mattey et al. 1994; Schneider et al. 2007). These two reactions can be catalyzed by the 465 466 presence of water but do not involve water as a stoichiometric reactant. Grossular is only 467 found in exsolutions inside clinopyroxene as already described by Raimbourg (2005). The 468 double omphacite rims separated by a thin layer of kyanite observed around the 469 ferromagnesian phases (Figs. 2, 3), indicate an early event of kyanite nucleation at plagioclase-clinopyroxene and plagioclase-garnet grain boundaries that preceded the Na-470 471 diffusion related formation of omphacite. Undulose boundaries of the garnet (Fig. 3d-f) 472 attest for destabilization of this phase at time of omphacite formation, while its rims evolve 473 toward the almandine end-member (Table 1) governed by reaction (4). Reactions (2), (3), 474 and (4) proceed until total breakdown of former plagioclase and Na-Ca equilibration in 475 omphacite (Fig. 2e), which is rarely the case in our samples.

476 **5.2. Twinning in plagioclase: a first deformation stage at low differential stress**

The very first step of plagioclase breakdown during pressure increase and fluid influx seems to be the nucleation and growth of zoisite. We have shown that it is associated with strain-related twinning inside plagioclase grains (Fig. 5). Our mechanical analysis of these twins yields a significant anisotropy with a ~ N-S dipping to the south maximum compressive stress direction at the time of twinning (Fig. 6b). No clear direction of minimal compressive stress direction is defined, implying a pure shear regime. This maximum stress orientation deduced from twinning is close to the pole of the eclogite 484 foliation (i.e., maximal principal shortening) measured for the nearby Hundskjeften zone 485 (Zertani et al. 2019), at the termination of which the studied finger has been sampled. Moreover, such orientation of the stress is also in agreement with the orientation of shear 486 487 along eclogite-facies shear zones described by Raimbourg et al. (2005). The well defined 488 maximum compressive stress direction and poorly defined minimum compressive stress direction also echoes the axial compression-related finite strain deduced from 489 490 Crystallographic Preferred Orientation (CPO) analysis in omphacite from Holsnøy 491 sheared eclogites (Bascou et al. 2001). It therefore seems that twinning was controlled by 492 regional field stress state.

493 On the other hand, most of the twins show clear textural relationship with the zoisite 494 inclusion network within the grains: most of them are bounded by zoisite-filled cracks, and 495 their density fades from the cracks toward the inclusion free domains (Fig. 4), so that 496 twinning seems to be associated to the zoisite inclusion network development. Twinning 497 solely associated with grain-scale stresses is expected to yield a homogeneous isotropic 498 SF density function, as no clear anisotropy is seen in the inclusion pattern. We therefore have both evidence of regional stress state and local process control on the twinning 499 500 pattern, which suggests that the addition of both local and regional stress states has to be 501 considered.

502 The complete reaction anorthite + H_2O = zoisite + kyanite + quartz, has a -15% solid 503 reaction change. The observed crystallization of zoisite or kyanite alone in their host grain 504 and the necessary export of silica toward grain boundaries implies an even larger local 505 contraction. In this prospect the development of zoisite inclusions could be seen as an 506 anticrack system, with significant stress increase at its tips (Sternlof et al. 2005). This model would then reconcile the two apparently contradicting observations above, but also 507 508 implies that the regional differential stress was lower than the poorly constrained activation 509 threshold of the albite twinning system. This requires that local stress disturbance due to the zoisite-in reaction was high enough for the addition of both stress states to yield a 510 511 maximum stress above this threshold.

512 An alternative scenario would be to consider twinning as a late feature in regards to zoisite

513 formation. It is indeed expected that inclusion-bearing plagioclase would also have its 514 twinning domains bounded by the pre-existing inclusions, if they develop later. However, some recent studies (Jamtveit et al. 2018; Putnis et al. 2021) argue for the amphibolite 515 516 facies event in Holsnøy to be coeval with the eclogite facies state, depending on the 517 pressure field in the granulites. Therefore, even if linked to the amphibolite facies event, 518 twinning would have been activated in response to the same stress field than the one 519 registered by the eclogitic shear zones. However, there is no argument allowing to state 520 that the considered granulitic bloc would have reached its maximum stress only at the 521 time of the amphibolitization, while intense deformation has been accommodated by the surrounding shear zones at the time of eclogitization. 522

523 In regions where the reaction is more advanced (Figs. 4,7, see location in Fig. 6a), 524 plagioclase grain size has been reduced. If twin boundaries were to evolve into new grain 525 boundaries, the resulting grain size would be even more reduced, to only a few 526 micrometers (Fig. 7b, c). This evolution of the twins is consistent with previous studies 527 that already emphasized the ability for twin boundaries to facilitate subgrain rotation (Menegon et al., 2011). Twin planes in plagioclase are also prone to fluid infiltration (Incel 528 529 et al., 2022) or new phases nucleation (Wayte et al., 1989) as high-angle grain boundaries 530 are.

531 **5.3. Partial melting of the partially eclogitized granulites**

In order to assess an eventual partial melting stage in the eclogitization process developing at the edge of the studied finger, we develop here the textural evidences supporting the occurrence of a melt at grain boundaries, the $P-T-X_{H2O}$ conditions prone to melting compared to acknowledged P-T path for the Holsnøy granulites, the expected composition of melt, how it compares with paragenesis remaining at grain boundaries, and eventually to what reactions such a partial melting stage can be attributed.

538 **5.3.1. Analcime pools: textural evidence for partial melting?**

539 To our knowledge, it is the first time that analcime pools are described in Holsnøy. 540 Only rare studies already mentioned zeolite in irregularly shaped pools replacing a former

melt (Kiseeva et al. 2017 in mantle xenolites). The recent paper of Liu and Massonne 541 542 (2022) constitutes the first study that truly associates analcime pools to crystallization of a nepheline normative melt, in a garnet clinopyroxenite of the Western Gneiss Region, at 543 544 around 600–650°C. Several characteristics of analcime pools described in Section 4.3 545 constitute arguments for the presence of a former melt, and appear to be very similar to those described by Liu and Massonne (2022). Indeed, the pools have wedge-like 546 547 offshoots, i.e., they form cusps with low dihedral angles toward the host plagioclase (Figs. S4a, 10b,c), sometimes dendritic morphologies (Fig. 10), and present wavy pool-548 plagioclase boundaries (Figs. 8, 10) that are textures typical for crystallization products 549 550 from melt (e.g., Tsuchiyama and Takahashi 1983; Holness and Sawyer 2008; Vernon 551 2011; Ferrero et al. 2012; Liu et al. 2014; Cao et al. 2018). Other textures are similar to 552 what Liu and Massonne (2022) already described as: (i) the euhedral crystals of quartz 553 that grew in some of the analcime pools (Fig. 8c), (ii) the thin rim of micro-metric plagioclase that recrystallized between analcime and kyanite (Fig. 10), (iii) the rim of 554 555 diopside that surround the analcime pools when they are in contact with the symplectite 556 after omphacite (Fig. 8c), and (iv) the euhedral K-feldspar crystals that are growing from 557 the host plagioclase-pools interface toward the center of analcime pools (Figs. 8b, S4a,b). 558 This last texture between associated analcime. K-feldspar and albite is common for 559 magmatic crystallization of hydrous Na-rich melts as described in natural case studies 560 (e.g., Markl 2001; Analcime I from Pe-Piper et al. 2019) and also stated by experimental 561 studies that estimated the conditions of analcime crystallization at <650°C, 0.5–1.3 GPa 562 (Peters et al. 1966; Newton and Kennedy 1968; Boettcher and Wyllie 1969; Kim and 563 Burley 1971a,b,c, 1980; Liou 1971; Thompson 1973; Roux and Hamilton 1976; Johnson 564 et al. 1982). Moreover, a subsolidus assemblage analcime + albite + vapor was observed 565 after crystallization of melt produced at 2 GPa, 750°C in the NASH system (Boettcher and Wyllie 1969). All these aforementioned characteristics of analcime as found in our 566 567 samples allow us to exclude a metasomatic replacement origin of this mineral after albite or jadeite as it has been observed in some Na-rich environment (Harlow 1994; Harlow et 568 569 al. 2011; Tsujimori and Harlow 2012). The close association of kyanite surrounded by 570 analcime (Figs. 8, 10) and quartz surrounded by a thin film of K-feldspar in some plagioclase-plagioclase grain boundaries (Fig. S4b) is an additional argument for 571

572 crystallization from a former melt. Similar quartz–K–feldspar textures have indeed been 573 characterized as melt filled pores pseudomorphs in migmatites by several studies 574 (Holness and Sawyer 2008; Vernon 2011). We suggest that the rim of kyanite that 575 separates the double omphacite rim around ferro-magnesian phases could be the 576 remnant of analcime-kyanite bearing grain boundaries as described between plagioclase-577 plagioclase grains.

578 **5.3.2.** *P*–*T*–*X*_{H20} conditions prone to partial melting

579 To elaborate on the possible conditions for partial melting of our transforming 580 granulite, we calculated P-T and $P-X_{H2O}$ pseudosections with the tonalitic melt solution 581 model from Green et al. (2016) which is the only one constrained at pressures up to 1.3 582 GPa and often used for calculations at these pressures (e.g., Putnis et al. 2021; Liu and 583 Massonne 2022). Results of the calculations are presented in Fig. 11 and Fig. S6 (see 584 Method section for details). Calculations with the haplogranitic melt solution model from 585 Holland and Powell (2001) and White et al. (2001) have also been performed (Fig. S5, 586 S6) but considered as poorly constrained for our samples in the eclogite P-T range. We 587 performed the calculation for three different effective compositions (Table 3) in order to 588 examine the possibility for partial melting of our samples at different stages of equilibration 589 during the ongoing eclogitization. For local equilibrium at different stages of plagioclase 590 breakdown in matrix domains, we use (1) the pristine plagioclase composition of our 591 granulite facies area (Granulite Table 1, and Pl₀ Table 3) and (2) the more albite-rich 592 composition of plagioclase in partially eclogitized area (Table 1 and Pl₁ Table 3) in the 593 CKNASH system. Depending on the effective local chemical system considered, 594 thermodynamic modelling indicates that partial melting is possible near the peak P-T- X_{H2O} conditions experienced by our samples provided that: (i) the local water content is 595 596 \geq 0.4 wt% for albitized plagioclase chemical system, or (ii) pressure drops down to 1.6 597 GPa or temperature rises to 730°C for a fully hydrated (1 wt% H_2O) initial plagioclase 598 chemical system. As already asserted by Liu and Massonne (2022) according to 599 experimental studies (Peters et al. 1966; Roux and Hamilton 1976) analcime can coexist 600 with melt at temperatures \leq 650°C at eclogite facies pressures and could therefore have 601 crystallized just below 650°C at the time of symplectite crystallization. The observed

injectite-like veins filled by analcime as described in Section 4.3, crosscut all the 602 603 paragenesis, including the analcime-kyanite grain boundaries as well as the symplectite 604 after omphacite (yellow arrows Figs. 2, 8d). Neither the temporal nor the genetic 605 relationships between these analcime veins and analcime-kyanite grain boundaries can 606 be unequivocally determined, but it is obvious that injection of the veins corresponds to a 607 late event, at least post-dating the retrogression into symplectite, while the analcime-608 kyanite grain boundaries constitute an early stage in the rock evolution. Veins could on 609 one hand correspond to a late injection of a melt of analcime composition, formed at higher 610 pressures and maintained liquid during the retrograde path. Volume increase caused by the melt decompression could have fractured the host rock. It is on the other hand unlikely 611 612 that injection veins came from a low pressure pseudotachylyte further away in the outcrop 613 that we did not see while sampling since no analcime-bearing pseudotachylyte remnants 614 has ever been described in Holsnøy, and melt produced in pseudotachylytes have initial compositions close to their host-rock (Zhong et al. 2021). 615

616 **5.3.3. Expected composition of the melt**

617 Melt compositions from thermodynamic calculations are roughly constant on the whole range of $P-T-X_{H2O}$ conditions, and regardless of the solution model chosen for melt. 618 619 All compositions cluster close to 58 SiO₂; 14 Al₂O₃; 1 CaO; 6 Na₂O; 1 K₂O; 20 H₂O in wt 620 % so they are quartz and corundum normative (9 and 1 wt% respectively) instead of being-621 nepheline normative as expected if considering analcime pools as a crystallized former 622 melt. This inconsistency was also highlighted by Liu and Massonne (2022) but as they 623 stated, very few studies already described this type of partial melting phenomena, 624 particularly in K-poor high-pressure rocks like those described here. Moreover, melt models are not well constrained at such high pressures so compositions extracted from 625 626 thermodynamic modelling should be cautiously handled. It is also highly possible that 627 analcime only represents the final crystallization of the last liquid phase and that initial melt composition was different. In addition, compilation from both natural and 628 629 experimental data (Labrousse et al. 2011) emphasized that high-pressure melts evolve toward more Na-rich compositions (i.e., trondhjemitic) with increasing pressure. Hence, it 630 631 is probable that a melt formed at 2 GPa would be Na-rich, and possibly enough to lead to the eventual crystallization of such a Na-rich phase as analcime.

633 **5.3.4. Partial melting reactions**

634 Textural observations as described in Section 5.3.1 emphasized the association of kyanite, zoisite, plagioclase and analcime in the partial melting textures. In 635 636 regions where analcime pools are present, zoisite grain boundaries are tortuous, and they 637 are only found at initial plagioclase-analcime contact zones but totally absent from the 638 center of these regions (Fig. 10). Thus, it appears highly possible that zoisite was 639 consumed by the partial melting reaction. While textures evidence that analcime and 640 plagioclase recrystallized grains around kyanite result from crystallization after a melt, it is more difficult to decipher the implication of kyanite in the partial melting process. A 641 642 possible melting reaction would be Zo + Ab + Qtz \rightarrow Melt + Ky, which constitutes a 643 plagioclase-involving version of the reaction Zo + NaAl–Cpx + Qtz \rightarrow Melt + Ky + CaMg– 644 Cpx proposed by Skjerlie and Patiño Douce (2002) for zoisite dehydration melting at high 645 pressures. In this reaction guartz is consumed. This could constitute an explanation to the general lack of quartz in our sample. Moreover, this is in agreement with experimental 646 647 studies in the NASH system (Boettcher and Wyllie 1969) which proposed that metastable 648 plagioclase could be involved in melting reactions in the presence of free fluid. The 649 resulting melt can in a second time crystallize into AnI + Qtz + PI + Fluid which in turn 650 could explain the association of analcime with quartz and kyanite, and also the 651 crystallization of small plagioclase grains around kyanite.

652 Zoisite dehydration melting at water absent conditions is reached at temperatures 653 much higher than the one reached by our samples (Skjerlie and Patiño Douce 2002; Cao 654 et al. 2018). However, at water present conditions, melting of zoisite has been described at reasonable temperatures at 2 GPa (~800°C for zoisite + kyanite + quartz + vapor = 655 656 melt, Schmidt and Poli 2004), depending on the chemical system involved. Schmidt and 657 Poli (2004) also showed that in the presence of a K-bearing phase, zoisite melting 658 reactions would take place at even lower temperatures, e.g., the reaction zoisite + white 659 mica + quartz + vapor = kyanite + melt at $725^{\circ}C - 2$ GPa.

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As a conclusion, we propose that textural evidence point toward a limited partial

661 melting stage, due to zoisite and metastable Na–rich plagioclase melting in the local 662 presence of a free fluid, at conditions close the acknowledged peak in the eclogite facies 663 provided a transient hydration level higher than 0.4 wt%, a limited temperature increase 664 or a limited pressure decrease.

5.4. Implications for the early mechanical alteration of the reacting granulite

666 Our structural analysis of twins in plagioclase with no shape preferred orientation 667 (i.e., not significantly strained) implies that differential stress for twinning was lower than 668 the creep strength of plagioclase. Twinning activation threshold in plagioclase is poorly 669 documented but experiments indicate a plastic yield close to 100 MPa at 800°C, 1 GPa 670 (Borg and Heard 1969). A renewed estimate would ultimately constitute a missing 671 paleopiezometer for deformation of rocks at high confining pressure strain in the lower 672 crust.

673 Partial melting at high pressure in the presence of H₂O-rich fluids has already been 674 described in the Western Gneiss Region (Labrousse et al. 2002; Ganzhorn et al. 2014; 675 Liu and Massonne 2022). Major implications on the rheology and strength of the 676 continental crust have been highlighted, like the important weakening the presence of 677 such a melt could induce (Rosenberg and Handy 2005; Vanderhaeghe 2009; Brown 2010; 678 Wang et al. 2014). This weakening can be responsible for the decoupling between the 679 lower crust and the rest of the subducting slab, and the following exhumation. In the island 680 of Holsnøy, felsic pegmatite veins intruding the high-pressure eclogites have already been 681 described and associated with the crystallization after partial melting of the eclogites (of 682 felsic to intermediate composition) at peak P-T conditions and in the presence of a H₂O-683 rich fluid (Andersen et al. 1991). A recent study of Jamtveit et al. (2021) also described 684 pegmatites and dykes intrusions in the Lindås nappe and proposed the anorthositic 685 granulites of Holsnøy as possible source for the melts that crystallized in these intrusions. 686 1.3–1.5 GPa, 710–750°C and 2–4 wt% H₂O conditions were proposed for partial melting 687 with temperature increase driven by shear heating at the base of the Lindås nappe. 688 Melting is possible in plagioclase after zoisite formation at the same temperature as 689 proposed by Jamtveit et al. (2021), even at pressures and water contents that have been

estimated for the eclogite peak conditions. A slight increase in temperature due reaction 690 691 enthalpy release (Zertani et al. 2022) or a transient pressure drop cannot be excluded. 692 Indeed, both stress and pressure field at the tip of the propagating eclogite finger are 693 expected to be transiently disturbed by (i) the volume change associated with plagioclase 694 breakdown, as at the tip of an elongated inclusion (Sternlof et al. 2005; Yamato et al. 695 2022), or (ii) strength drop due to eclogitization (Mancktelow 2008; Moulas et al. 2014), 696 the combination of the two being also possible. The part of the rock located at the tip of 697 the finger (Fig. 12) may transiently pass from an over-pressurized domain to an under-698 pressurized domain while the finger propagates. The estimated 0.4 GPa decompression necessary for partial melting at constant temperature (Fig. 11) can therefore be reached 699 700 at a background pressure of 2.0 GPa. It is to be noted that while the over-pressurized 701 domain remains limited to the very tip of the propagating finger, under-pressure is 702 expected to affect a much wider area along the finger walls. Once initiated, partial melting, 703 if occurring at fluid present conditions (as proposed in Section 5.3.4), can also enhance 704 the negative volume change already initiated by the eclogitization reaction (Clemens and 705 Droop 1998) and further amplify the stress/pressure field disturbance at the tip of the 706 finger.

707 Even though observations and thermodynamic modelling in the present study point 708 toward limited partial melting extent, well below any Rheologically Critical Melt Percentage 709 (RCMP ~ 7%, Rosenberg and Handy 2001), the transient presence of a melt phase in the 710 plagioclase matrix at grain boundaries may also activate deformation mechanisms, such as melt-assisted switch from dislocation creep to diffusion creep (Dimanov et al. 2000; 711 712 Nasipuri and Bhattacharya 2007). If fluid infiltration precedes the development of eclogite 713 facies shear zones, as currently acknowledged (Austrheim 1987, 2013; Jamtveit et al. 714 1990), such processes could also be part of the transient weakening mechanisms needed 715 to explain widening of eclogite facies shear zones during their development (Bras et al. 716 2021, Kaatz et al. 2021).

717 6. Conclusions

718 Eclogitization of rocks is a continuous process that involves multiple breakdown

719 reactions of different kinetics and mechanical implications, during increasing pressure. In 720 anorthosites where plagioclase constitutes the principal reactive system, these reactions 721 are often delayed because of the sluggishness of NaSi-CaAl interdiffusion in water-limited 722 environments. Transient parageneses and textures can therefore persist metastably 723 through the whole P-T history of the rock, and control its mechanical behavior. Early stages of these plagioclase breakdown reactions have been preserved within the 724 725 undeformed partially eclogitized granulites studied. Transformation proceeds differently 726 inside the protolith plagioclase grains and at their boundaries. In both cases, zoisite 727 crystallization has a first order impact. Indeed, zoisite nucleation and growth inside the grains distort the plagioclase crystal lattice acting as defects for the activation of twinning 728 729 in response to far field stresses. At former grain boundaries, kyanite-analcime association 730 attests of a partial melting event that could have affected the rocks near the peak P-T731 conditions in response to water infiltration, local *P*–*T* changes, or transient changes in the effective chemical system due to zoisite crystallization. Grain size reduction took place in 732 733 the whole transforming rock via the crystallization of small grains from a melt, as well as 734 after an event of twinning under stress that triggered the creation of new grain boundaries. 735 This may contribute to mechanical alteration of the reacting granulite over probably short 736 timescales, not mentioning effective viscosity drop induced by even small volumes of melt 737 production at grain boundaries. Rheological contrasts generated between partially 738 transformed and preserved granulite then predispose the rock to potential further 739 localization of the deformation.

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1196 **Figure captions**

Fig.1 Sample location. a Geological map of northern Holsnøy, Norway, modified from Bras et al. (2021) after Austrheim et al. (2013) and Zertani et al. (2019). Red star: location of the outcrop studied. b Lithological map of the outcrop studied. The blue rectangle corresponds to photograph displayed in c. c Field photograph of the eclogite finger sampled. d Detailed field photograph of the finger (enlargement from c). Blue rectangles: location of the thin sections. T1 and T2 black rectangles: studied transects presented in Figure 2 and Figure S1

Fig.2 Ongoing eclogitization through the finger. BSE images (a,c-e) and 1204 photomicrograph in plane-polarized polarized light (b) of transect T1 (see location in 1205 1206 Fig.1d). Red zones in (b): corona structures that define the granulitic foliation. Orange 1207 arrows: plagioclase-plagioclase grain boundaries in low transformed areas. White arrows: analcime-kyanite decorated grain boundaries. Yellow arrows: analcime-bearing injectite 1208 1209 vein. Green arrows: intersection of kyanite-bearing ferromagnesian rims and analcimekyanite decorated plagioclase grain boundaries. Red arrows: fractures inside garnet. BSE 1210 1211 image (e) is localized in Figure S1a

Fig.3 Successive textures at grain boundaries. BSE images illustrating plagioclaseplagioclase grain boundaries (**a-c**) and plagioclase-garnet grain boundaries (**d-f**). (**f**) minor retrogression of omphacite into a fine-grained symplectite (s)

1215 **Fig.4 Evolution of plagioclase twinning.** Cross-polarized microphotographs of 1216 plagioclase twins through the transect. (a) Growth twins in preserved granulite (b) mechanical twins in a partially reacted area, and (c) lack of twins in the final recrystallizedplagioclase.

Fig.5 Plagioclase twinning systems: principle and application. 3D representation of 1219 1220 the albite (a) and of the pericline (b) twin systems. R: rhombic section. (c) Color plot of 1221 the Schmid factor (SF) with geometric elements of albite (red symbols) and pericline (light 1222 blue symbols) twin systems represented. Inset: corresponding focal mechanism-like 1223 «beachball». (d) Map of misorientation angle of a plagioclase grain in a partially 1224 transformed zone of the finger. (e) Orientation map of the same area as in (d) plotted with 1225 a colormap (inset) corresponding to the angle between X direction, here defined as parallel to the [100] direction, and the thin section plane. Y perpendicular to the plane 1226 1227 (010). Blue: untwinned, green: twinned, red contours: twin boundaries. (f) Stereogram of twins in the plagioclase crystal from (d). Inset: corresponding focal mechanism-like 1228 1229 «beachball»

Fig.6 BSE image of the low transformed area of transect T1, showing location of grains where focal mechanism-like «beachballs» have been extracted. (**b**) Stacked «beachballs» of plagioclase grains indicated in (**a**). (**c**) Spherical functions of stacked and averaged Schmid factor

Fig.7 Twinning and reaction induced grain size reduction of plagioclase. (a) Orientation map of a former plagioclase grain from a reacted area (see location in Fig. 6a), plotted with a colormap (inset) corresponding to the angle between X direction, here defined as parallel to the [100] direction, and the thin section plane. Y perpendicular to the plane (010). (b) Grain size histogram of "grains" delimited by grain- and twin- boundaries. (c) Enlargement showing grain size reduction induced by zoisite formation and twinning. Twin boundaries are indicated in red and low angle grain boundaries in white.

Fig.8 Chronological and textural relations in analcime-bearing grain boundaries. N020 orientation in (b) is valid for all other panels of this figure. Red arrow in (b): hole created by the EPMA electron beam. Red arrow in (c): porosity in an analcime pool. Red arrow in (e): intersection of kyanite-bearing ferromagnesian rims and analcime-kyanite decorated plagioclase grain boundaries Fig.9 Raman spectrum of analcime. Characteristic peaks are indicated in green. Inset:water peaks of the mineral

Fig.10 Plagioclase grain size reduction in a kyanite-analcime-bearing grain boundary. BSE image (a): location of the EBSD phase map (d), and additionnal details (b,c). Red arrows: low dihedral angles of the analcime pools toward re-crystallized plagioclase grains. (e) Grain size distribution of plagioclase and kyanite grains from the EBSD map shown in (d)

Fig.11 *P-T* pseudosections at $X_{H2O} = 1$ wt % (left) and *P-X_{H2O}* pseudosections at *T* = 700°C (right). Chemical composition used to performed the calculations (listed in Table 3) are, from top to bottom: the initial granulitic plagioclase composition and the albitized plagioclase composition (Fig.2d). Calculations have been performed using the melt solution model of Green et al. (2016), see Method section for details. Melt modes (in volume %) are indicated by the red lines, and X_{An} by the yellow lines. Zones where melt is predicted are highlighted in red.

Fig.12 Finger Propagation. Pressure field evolution at the tip of a reacting and propagating finger (modified from Yamato et al., 2022). ΔP corresponds to variation of pressure *P* relative to background pressure P_{bg} such as $\Delta P = (P-P_{bg}) / P$

1263 **Table captions**

Table 1 Representative mineral composition (wt%) of granulite to eclogite parageneses. Composition of granulite-facies minerals results from analyses in the core of the grains, while analyses in minerals from the partially-transformed area have been performed at grain rims. The structural formulae of plagioclase, garnet and pyroxene were calculated based on 8 oxygens, 12 oxygens and 6 oxygens, respectively. b.d.I = below detection limit. n.a = not analysed. All Fe is counted as Fe2+

Table 2 Representative mineral composition (wt%) of analcime, matrix plagioclase, and plagioclase around kyanite in analcime-kyanite grain boundaries. The structural formulae of plagioclase were calculated based on 8 oxygens. b.d.l = below detection limit. n.a = not

1273 analysed

Table 3 Chemical compositions (wt%) used for thermodynamic calculations. Analyses for
 the whole rock composition were performed at ALS Dublin (OMAC Laboratories) by ICP AES (major elements) and ICP-MS (trace elements). Loss on Ignition (LOI)
 measurements indicate a value of 0.29 wt%. The whole rock composition given here was
 recalculated considering 0 wt% H₂O for a total of 100 wt% oxides.

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Paragenesis		Granulite (a	s in Figure 2 _c	:)	Part	ially eclogitize	d (as in Figur	e 2 _d)
Mineral	Plagioclase	Garnet	Pyroxene	Amphibole	Plagioclase rim	Clinozoisite	Garnet rim	Pyroxene rim
Number of analysis	5 4	10	9	4	12	16	8	3
SiO ₂	58.3	41.3	46.8	41.2	64.5	39.2	36.4	55.7
TiO ₂	0.0	0.2	1.6	1.6	0.0	b.d.l	0.5	0.1
Al_2O_3	27.6	23.8	13.8	18.3	22.0	33.3	22.6	14.9
FeO	0.0	14.1	5.1	5.8	0.0	0.9	23.2	3.4
MnO	0.0	0.2	b.d.l	b.d.l	0.0	b.d.l	0.9	b.d.l
MgO	b.d.l	15.4	10.5	14.6	0.0	b.d.l	11.3	6.7
CaO	8.6	7.4	21.2	12.2	2.8	24.1	6.5	11.8
Na ₂ O	6.6	b.d.l	2.3	2.6	10.4	b.d.l	b.d.l	7.4
K ₂ O	0.3	b.d.l	b.d.l	2.2	0.3	b.d.l	b.d.l	b.d.l
Cr_2O_3	0.0	b.d.l	b.d.l	b.d.l	0.0	b.d.l	b.d.l	b.d.l
P_2O_5	0.0	b.d.l	b.d.l	b.d.l	n.a	n.a	n.a	n.a
SO ₂	b.d.l	b.d.l	b.d.l	b.d.l	n.a	n.a	n.a	n.a
CI	0.0	b.d.l	b.d.l	0.1	n.a	n.a	n.a	n.a
BaO	0.1	b.d.l	b.d.l	b.d.l	0.1	b.d.l	n.a	n.a
Total	101.6	102.4	101.3	98.6	100.1	97.5	101.4	100.0
	An 41 Ab 58 Or 01	Py 56 Alm 25 Grs 19	Ts 00 Di 64 Hd 17		An 13 Ab 86 Or 01		Py 40 Alm 43 Grs 17	Ts 03 Di 34 Hd 10

Figure	Figu	ıre 7a	Figure 7c		Fig	ure 7d			Figure S3 a	
Mineral /	analcime	plagioclase	analcime	analcime	analcime	plagioclase	plagioclase	analcime	analcime in	plagioclase
Texture	pools	in matrix	pools	pools	in vein	in matrix	around ky	pools	matrix	around ky
Number of analysis	7	4	7	8	7	3	1	2	1	3
SiO ₂	57.8	63.1	57.3	57.9	57.3	64.0	64.1	57.5	64.1	60.5
TiO ₂	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Al_2O_3	23.1	23.3	22.8	22.7	22.8	22.3	22.0	22.2	22.1	25.3
FeO	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
MnO	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
MgO	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
CaO	0.0	4.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.3	3.2	0.0	3.2	5.6
Na ₂ O	10.0	9.2	11.6	9.8	11.9	10.2	10.3	11.6	10.1	8.4
K ₂ O	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.4	0.0	0.3	0.3
Cr_2O_3	n.a	0.0	n.a	n.a	n.a	0.0	0.0	n.a	0.0	0.1
P_2O_5	n.a	0.1	n.a	n.a	n.a	0.0	0.0	n.a	0.0	0.0
SO ₂	n.a	0.0	n.a	n.a	n.a	0.0	0.0	n.a	0.0	0.0
CI	n.a	0.0	n.a	n.a	n.a	0.0	0.0	n.a	0.0	0.0
BaO	n.a	0.1	n.a	n.a	n.a	0.0	0.1	n.a	0.2	0.0
Total	91.0	100.2	91.7	90.4	92.0	100.1	100.1	91.3	100.1	100.2
		An 19				An 15	An 29		An 14,5	An 26
		Ab 79				Ab 83	Ab 70		Ab 83,5	Ab 72
		Or 02				Or 02	Or 01		Or 02	Or 02

	PI_0	Pl ₁	Whole rock
SiO ₂	57.52	64.53	49.03
TiO ₂	0.00	0.00	0.18
Al_2O_3	27.23	22.05	22.96
FeO	0.00	0.00	6.27
MgO	0.00	0.00	7.66
CaO	8.50	2.76	10.27
Na ₂ O	6.55	10.40	3.22
K ₂ O	0.20	0.26	0.40



Figure S1. Transect T2 through the eclogitic finger. BSE image (a) and photomicrograph in unanalyzed polarized light (b), see location in Figure 1d. Red zones in (b): corona structures that define the granulitic foliation. Orange arrows: plagioclase-plagioclase grain boundaries in low transformed areas. White arrows: analcime-kyanite decorated grain boundaries. Red arrows: fractures inside garnet.



Figure S2. Orientation map of a plagioclase grain plotted with a colormap (inset) corresponding to the angle between X direction, here defined as parallel to the [100] direction, and the thin section plane. Y perpendicular to the plane (010). Pink: untwinned, yellow: twinned. Inset also shows corresponding focal mechanism-like «beachball»





Figure S3. EBSD image of an analcime-kyanite bearing grain boundary. In this map, analcime has been indexed.



Figure S4. Textures of analcime-bearing grain boundaries (a) BSE image of an analcime bearing plagioclase-plagioclase grain boundary. Red arrows: holes created by the electron beam in an analcime pool. (b) BSE image of the intersection of two analcime-kyanite bearing plagioclase grain boundaries.



Figure S5. *P-T* pseudosections at $X_{H_{20}} = 1$ wt % (left) and *P-X_{H_{20}}* pseudosections at $T = 700^{\circ}$ C (right) for the initial plagioclase composition (Pl₀) and the partially reacted plagioclase composition (Pl₁), as indicated in Table 3. Calculations have been performed using the melt solution model of Holland & Powell 2001, see Method section for details. Zones where melt is predicted are highlighted in red. Melt modes (in volume %) are indicated by the red lines, and anorthite content in plagioclase by the yellow lines.



Figure S6. *P-T* pseudosections at $X_{H_{20}} = 1$ wt % (left) and *P-X_{H_{20}}* pseudosections at $T = 700^{\circ}$ C (right) for the whole rock composition of the studied sample, as indicated in Table 3. Calculations have been performed using the melt solution model of Green et al. (2016) (top) and Holland & Powell (2001) (bottom), see Method section for details. Zones where melt is predicted are highlighted in red. Melt modes (in volume %) are indicated by the red lines, and anorthite content in plagioclase by the yellow lines.