

# Re: KRS book: Geology

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On Tue, 3 Jan 2006 22:15:52 +0100, "Peter Alaca" <[P.Alaca@xxxxxx](mailto:P.Alaca@xxxxxx)> wrote:

>Eric Stevens wrote: 99mlr1pt0c3rg8c3412t66cp7kge52ih93@xxxxxxx,  
>> "Peter Alaca" wrote:  
>>> Eric Stevens wrote  
>  
>>>> It should by now be clear that I can't understand the reasons for  
>>>> your insistence that Ojakangas should have shown more data points  
>>>> on his triangle diagram than he did. I'm quite happy to accept that  
>>>> he showed the coordinates for the composition of the KRS and those  
>>>> North American Greywackes of a composition closest to that of the  
>>>> KRS.  
>>>> I see no point in showing the composition of all those very many  
>>>> materials of a more widely different composition.  
>  
>>> Then you have a problem.  
>>>  
>>> Last try.  
>>> Let's go back, up this sub-thread, to your post  
>>> dd Sat, 31 Dec 2005 23:29:02 +1300,  
>>> which includes Michael Zalar's original post and  
>>> Daryl Krupa's reaction.  
>>> Start with rereading Daryl's comment, and then  
>>> your own.  
>>>  
>>> My problem is the assumption in your comment  
>>> "Ojakangas plotted six different types of greywacke  
>>> on his particular triangle diagram and almost certainly  
>>> \*examined many more specimens he did not consider\*  
>>> \*worth plotting\*."  
>>>  
>>> To put it boldly: It is not for him to decide what  
>>> is worth presenting or not.  
>>> If he examined all types of greywacke from  
>>> every possible location of origin (and not only from  
>>> the Animikie basin), then it is his duty as a scientist  
>>> to present all his results, and not only those that  
>>> point in a certain direction.

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>> You are asking that the decision as to the best match of the KRS to  
>> the local greywacke be done not by Ojakangas but by his readers.  
>  
>Did you stop reading here or have you  
>difficulties understanding what I write?  
>  
>> By the same argument, if you were told to find in a crowded railway  
>> station the person whose description best matches 1.93m tall, 124kg  
>> weight and with short red hair you would list everybody, including the  
>> 1.1m dwarf with a red nose and long flowing black hair.  
>  
>No, we are looking for a train where all  
>(or most) passengers look like that, and  
>we must be sure that there is not more  
>than one train meeting that condition.

Ojakangas has listed the trains whose passengers most closely meet the condition.

>  
>>> He can conclude that the krs-grauwacke probably  
>>> originated in the Animikie basin, but it must always  
>>> be possible for others to form an independent opinion.  
>>>  
>>> Bear in mind that I do not say that Ojakangas withheld  
>>> information, only that you say he "almost certainly" did.  
>>> If I trust you, I must distrust him.  
>  
>I fail to see any progress, so I stop the discussion  
>from this side.

Excellent idea. :-)

Eric Stevens

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