The Ø 1270 x 950 km Permian Triassic Impact Crater - Summary of the geophysical evidence

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Abstract:

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This is a summary of geophysical evidence for the Ø 1270 x 950 km Permian Triassic (PT)-Impact Crater which I have discovered and described in my hypothesis Part 1 to Part 6. See also Part 6c which supports my proof for the PT-Impact Event, and which indicates a "multiple-oblique impact" that also formed the Tarim-Basin, Pantanal Crater & the VLC

A topographic map and a satellite image of the Arctic Ocean area, Alaska and Siberia provided the first indication for the PT-Impact Crater and -impact event. A comparison of the structures visible on a topographic map with the structures calculated by a computer-simulation of a shallow (oblique) impact with an impact angle of 5°, provides strong evidence for the real existence of the Ø 1270 x 950 km PT-Impact Crater on the Arctic Ocean floor! A first probability assessment indicates a **Probability >99.99997% for the PTI!** Especially the elliptical deep sea basin in the Arctic Ocean, the bow-shaped Brooks Range in Alaska and the northern edge of the Central Siberian Plateau (Siberian Traps), which has the same bow-wave- structure as the calculated structure, are strong indicators that the PT-Impact Crater was caused by a shallow impact of an asteroid or comet.

Further strong indication for the PT-Impact-Crater comes from a gravity anomaly map and from a magnetic anomaly map of the Arctic Ocean area and Alaska. The gravity anomaly map clearly shows sections of the elliptical crater-wall of the PT-Impact Crater (positive anomalies). The Brooks Range in Alaska, which originally was part of the elliptical crater structure, is also indicated by a positive anomaly on the map. But this former section of the elliptical crater-wall drifted away from the PT-Crater, caused by forces of the massive amounts of ejecta material that was ejected from the crater, which probably was in the range of 100.000.000 to 200.000.000 km³ of ejecta material! The majority of the crater floor is visible as a negative anomaly (blue) on the map. The magnetic anomaly map of the Arctic Ocean area shows a triangular-shaped positive anomaly (red), which originates from the crater center. This indicates ejecta that was coming from an iron-rich impactor.

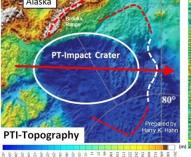
The big distance between the elliptical impact basin and the described bow-wave-shaped structure in Siberia, which originally was located directly at the front-end of the PT-Crater, is the result of a divergent tectonic motion and expansion tectonics process that was triggered by the shallow PT-impact. The leading edges (front edges) of the two gigantic ejecta wings which were caused by the PT-Impact, cut through Earth's crust and massive amounts of ejecta material and impactor material (e.g. iron) descended into Earth's mantle and caused the Pacific-LLSVP and the African-LLSVP. All volcanos of the Pacific Fire Ring and all volcanism on Earth can be explained solely by the PT-Impact!

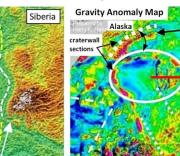
lalso present six possible secondary craters of the PT-Impact Event (→ see page 10) in Europe & Australia, & spectroscopic-analyses as proof for the PT-Impact (see: Part 6 (P6) Raman spectroscopic analyses results and images of Rock Samples & Sample Sites are also available on my website: www.permiantriassic.de (or: www.permiantriassic.at)

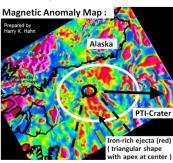


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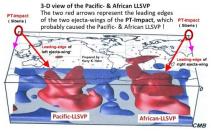
A shallow impact causes two ejecta



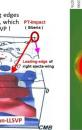




Because of the expansion tectonics process that obviously was caused in Earth's mantle by the PT-Impact and its Ejecta, a revised model for Earth's mantle is required. This model must consider a mantle that originally consisted of denser minerals and high-pressure-Ice, (e.g. Ice X) which went through phase-transitions, because of the hot LLSVP-areas,



and transformed into minerals & water with lower density, and expanded Earth's mantle in this process! Note: The water of Earth's oceans came from Earth's mantle, and the PT-Impact has caused the release of superheated (salty) "mantle-water" into the oceans, along the mid-ocean ridges.



The elliptical deep sea basin in the Arctic Sea, the bow-shaped Brooks Range in Alaska and the northern edge of the Central Siberian Plateau, which has the same bow-wave-structure as the simulated structure, are strong indicators for the PT-Crater.

Computer simulation

Note similarity

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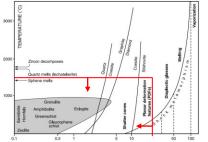
Brooks Range PTI-Crater

Geophysical proof of the Ø 1270 x 950 km Permian Triassic Crater and summary of the mineralogical evidence

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The PT-Impact Crater was formed by a very shallow impact with low shock pressures



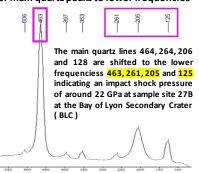
Shock metamorphic effects in PTI-ejecta → red marked box (shock metamorphism diagram)



This map shows the three most interesting PT-Secondary Craters for further research in Europe, according to my analysis.

The Ø130x110 km "Bay of Lyon Crater", the Ø30 km and the Ø1.6x1.2km Impact Craters

The Raman Spectra of quartz grains from sample site 27B at the BLC shows a clear shift of main quartz peaks to lower frequencies



To proof an impact-crater shock-metamorphic effects must be found which provide the evidence for the impact crater. In the case of the Ø 1270 x 950 km Permian Triassic Crater described in my hypothesis (Part 1 to 4 of my study) this isn't an easy job! (→ mineralogical evidence in Part 6 (P6)).

Two main reasons why it's difficult to proof the PT-Crater:

- **1.)** The PT-Crater is located on the ocean floor of the Arctic Ocean in > 2000 m depth, and it is filled with sediments.
- **2.)** The PT-Crater was caused by an oblique impact. This means the impactor, an asteroid or comet with a \emptyset 60 to 200 km, impacted in a very shallow angle of less than 8° with an impact velocity of < 8 km/s (=orbital velocity of a small moonlet close to Earth). That's why **the impactor impacted and moved in a nearly horizontal direction** along Earth's surface, excavating big amounts of crust- & mantle-material.

Therefore the impact pressure caused during the impact was relatively low and most of the ejecta material that was ejected from the PT-Crater was exposed to a shock pressure of probably less than 20 GPa. Impact glass probably doesn't exist in this ejecta material. And shock-metamorped minerals like Coesite probably only exist in small amounts.

The same is true for all secondary structures caused by ejecta from the PT-Crater. The shock-pressure was mainly < 20 GPa

Exceptions seem to be real PT-Secondary Craters which can clearly be identified on topography-, magnetic- and gravity-anomaly maps as crater structures. Here shock-metamorphic effects can be found in rocks inside of the crater, in the crater-rim area or close to the Crater (e.g. Cape York Cater)

My analysis indicates that shock-pressures in the range of 22-24 GPa can be identified in / near such Secondary Craters

These impact shock-pressures can be identified with the help of PDFs or with Micro-Raman Spectroscopy on quartz grains

The Ø130x110kmBay-of-Lyon Crater and the Ø30km Impact Structure and the Ø1.6x1.2km Impact Crater in Spain are the most interesting PT-Secondary-Craters for further scientific research in Europe (→ proof of PT-Impact Event!). And the Ø320km Cape York Crater and the Ø40x33km Pilbara Crater are the most interesting PT-Secondary Craters in Australia. Detailed information about the material that was ejected by the PT-Crater can be found in studies about the Siberian Traps

The geophysical evidence for the Ø 1270 x 950 km PT-Impact Crater is provided by different map types.

According to my hypothesis, the similarities of structures visible on a topographic map, to structures calculated by a computer simulation provide the most impressive indication (proof) for the PT-Crater!

Further indication for the enormous PT-Impact Crater described in my hypothesis comes from a gravity-anomaly- & magnetic anomaly map.

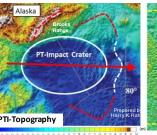
The gravity anomaly map is clearly indicating the elliptical PT-Crater and a section of the elliptical crater-rim that drifted away from the PT-Crater caused by forces of the escaping ejecta This former section of the crater-rim is the Brooks Range in Alaska which indicates a formation age of ≈ 250 Ma! Further there are linear structures

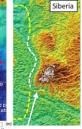
The magnetic anomaly map shows a distinct triangular-shaped structure with the apex of the structure being congruent with the PT-Crater center.

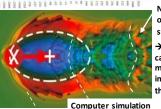
noticeable, caused by ejecta rays.

This indicates iron-rich ejecta that was ejected from the PT-Crater (red color)

Further evidence comes from the distribution pattern and outline of the Siberian Traps. The map on the right shows the PTI-Crater in reference to the Siberian Traps as it was located at the time of the Impact. The trajectory of the impactor fits perfectly to the "main flow-direction" of the Siberian Traps (red). **Note:** The PTI ejected ≈ 100.000.000-200.000.000 km³ material



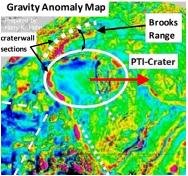


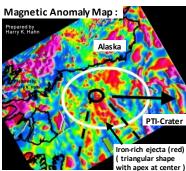


of bow-shaped structure!

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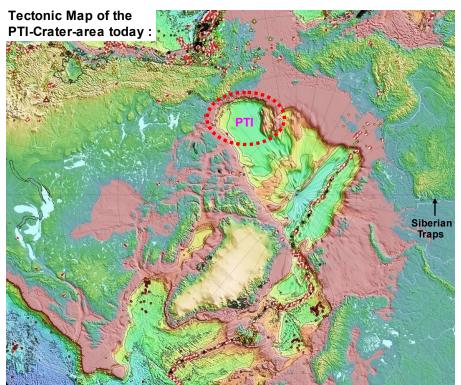


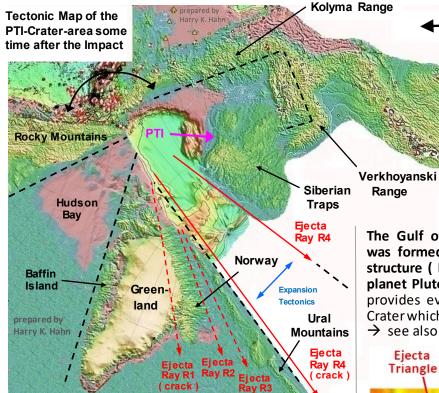


A re-constructed Tectonic Map of the Ø 1270 x 950 km Permian-Triassic Crater-area a certain time after the Impact Event

I have re-arranged some key-areas of the Tectonic- (Topographic-) Map of the PTI-Crater-area to provide a clearer picture of the deformations which the PTI-Impact caused on Earth's crust. This will make it a bit easier for Tectono-physicists (Geo-physicists) to confirm and accept the existence of the PT-Crater and the Expansion

Tectonis process that obviously was triggered by this Impact Event!





→ Page added on 18.1.2022 The manipulated tectonic-(topographic-) map on the left shows the PT-Impact area as it probably looked a certain time after the Impact The Hudson Bay (CA) and the Kolyma Range in Siberia were caused by ejecta-lobes of the PTI, which show the same ejecta triangle structure as an impact on planet Pluto and as two other secondary impacts caused by the PTI (see below)

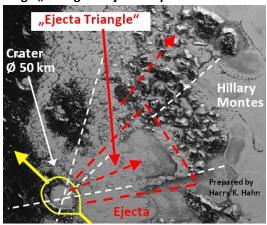
The Gulf of Carpentaria in NE-Australia was formed by a similar ejecta-impactstructure (Ejecta-Triangle) as visible on planet Pluto. > This "Ejecta Triangle" provides evidence for another ≈ 300 km Crater which is hidden on the ocean floor.

Range

→ see also page 13 in Part 2 (or: Part-2)

Other shallow Impacts which caused ""Ejecta-Triangles":

A Ø 50 km Crater on planet Pluto caused a large "Triangular Ejecta Impact Structure"



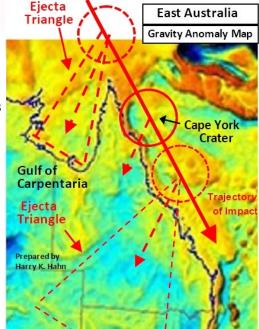
A shallow (oblique) Impact Event on Pluto, less than 100 million years ago, formed **Hillary Montes** at the border line of **Sputnik** Planum.

An ejecta-lobe (wing) from the impact-crater produced an Eiecta-Impact-Structure with a precise triangular shape! $(\rightarrow red lines)$ (→ see: Pluto Images)

A big ≈ Ø 250 km Crater in Ejecta Ray R3 shows an "Ejecta Triangle" The gravity anomaly map and satellite images show a similar "Ejecta-

Impact-structure" as on Pluto → in North-Africa, caused by the Crater R3-3





Indication and evidence for the Permian-Triassic (PT) Impact Event which is coming from present studies:

A number of scientists specialized in impact research already proposed, that the Siberian Traps, the largest eruption of continental flood lavas on Earth, may be better explained by a large Impact than by a conventional mantle plume. Unfortunately the scientists haven't found the impact crater yet!

With my study (Parts 1 to 6) I want to proof that **Global Impact Events* are the primary cause for Plate-Tectonics** (and Expansion-Tectonics) on Earth and on other planets and moons of our solar system, and that such a Global Impact Event caused the formation of Continents and Oceans on Earth!

The hard evidence for the correctness of my hypothesis, is the confirmation of the Ø1270 x 950 km Permian-Triassic (PT) Impact Crater described in my study

In the following I want to show now some extracts from a book written by the well-known impact researcher Prof. Dr. Christian Koeberl.

These extracts from the book show the existing indication and evidence for a Permian-Triassic (PT) Impact Crater. But no information is given for its location.

The title of the book: "Impact Markers in the Stratigraphic Record" - Authors: C. Koeberl & F. Martinez-Ruiz (ISBN: 3-540-00630-3)

Here the extracts from the book:

Page 29: Siderophile element anomalies (e.g. enhanced Ir contents) were found at some P-Tr boundary locations (e.g., Holser et al. 1989). And recent research succeded in demonstrating the P-Tr boundary event was a much shorter event than thought. At Meishan, China, a negative excursion in the carbon isotopic composition had a duration of less than about 160,000 years and suggested that it could be the result of the impact of an icy <u>carbon-rich comet</u>.

Page 29: Kaiho et al. (2001) reported sulfur isotope and chemical data for samples from the Meishan (China) Permian-Triassic (P-Tr) boundary section. They interpreted S-isotope data, as well as the occurrence of Fe- and Ni-rich particles, as evidence for a large-scale impact event that penetrated the Earth's mantle and formed a crater approximately **1000 km** in diameter.

A number of scientists pointed out that <u>the Sibirian Traps cannot be the result of a mantle plume</u> (e.g. Czamanske et al. 1998, Sharma 1997, Elkins-Tanton and Hager 2000)

Page 109: An impact event is also supported by evidence from extraterrestrial noble gases in fullerenes found in P-Tr boundary beds in China, Japan, Hungary.

see Study:

End-Permian catastrophe by bolide impact: Evidence of a gigantic release of sulfur from the mantle

by Kunio Kaiho, Y.Kajiwara, Yasunori Miura

Page 109: Because there is a similar <u>duality of signals between likely volcanic and impact sources at the P-Tr boundary</u>, similar to the K-T boundary, the hypothesis of Impact Researchers should be tested, which claims that <u>the Siberian Traps could have been caused by decompression melting at the impact site</u>. And that impact volcanism can uniquely explain the dual signals in the geological record.

Page 110: An indicative model of Impact Researchers shows that it is possible for the volume of decompressed mantle beneath a large \sim 200 km sized crater to greatly exceed the excavated volume of the impact crater itself, primarily due to reduction of lithostatic load. Under suitable conditions of geothermal gradient, this would lead to near instantaneous melting with volumes of the order of 10^6 km^3 , similar to the characteristic volumes of LIP's.

Page 110: And the induced large-scale vertical and horizontal thermal gradients are expected to have a long-term effect on secondary mantle flow.

Page 111: Decompression melting may contribute more melt than conventional shock melting.

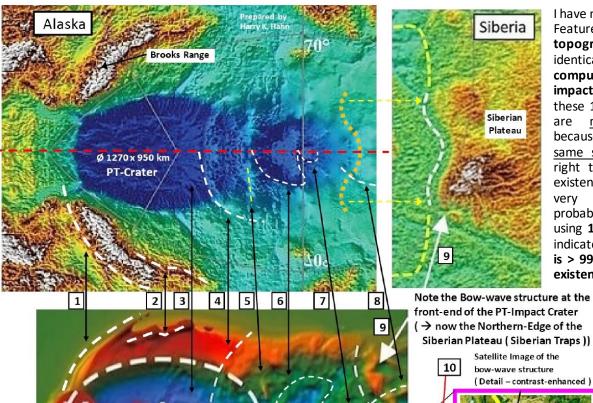
Page 111 : We propose that the Siberian Traps, which are accessible and currently under considerable scrutiny, may be better explained by a large impact than by a conventional mantle plume. The closure of a former ocean between Siberia and Mongolia, as well as amalgamation with north and south China blocks may also have been occuring during Permian-Triassic times. (→ These events were the result of the P/T-Impact Event!! → comment from Harry.K.Hahn)

Page 97: Decompression melting must be seriously considered whenever an impact is sufficiently large to cause the transient crater depth to excavate a substantial fraction of the local crustal thickness, and thereby cause a sudden drop in lithostatic pressure beneath the crater.

Another study which indicates a Permian-Triassic Impact Event in Australia: Raining lead around 250 mya: A smoking gun for an Australian impact origin of the Permian Extinction; by Jim Standard & C. Austen Angell, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ 85287

The Probability for the existence of the Ø1270 x 950 km Permian Triassic Impact Crater is >99,99997 %!

The PT-Crater is real! The topographic evidence for the Impact Crater is very strong!! Especially the comparison of the real topography of the left-side of the Crater (→ which was mirrored to the right-side), with the computer-simulated topography of an oblique (shallow) Impact-Crater that was caused by an impact-angle of ≈5° to 8° provides strong evidence for the existence of the PT-Impact Crater. (→ see images below) → Please read Part 6c (or here: Part 6c) for more Info!



I have marked 10 Topographic-Features on the real PTItopography that are nearly identical to 10 features of the computer-simulated oblique impact $(\rightarrow 1 - 10)$. Because these 10 topographic features are nearly identical and because they appear in the same sequence from left to right the probability for the existence of the PT-Crater is very high! A simplified probability consideration by using 10!, the factorial of 10, indicates that the Probability is > 99,999975 % for the real existence of the PT-Crater!

> If we now realize that the "Plate-Tectonics" which took place on Earth during the last ≈252 million years obviously was caused by the PT-Impact, then we have to answer the next question:

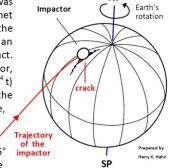
What process has caused the obvious expansion of Earth's mantle that was caused by the PTI?

→ The PT-Impact caused a times less dense mantle!

The PT-Impact caused a crack in Earth's crust that was caused by tension- & shear-stress

Because the PT-Impact Crater was caused by a large asteroid or comet in the Ø 50 - 200 km range the inertia of the impactor played an important role during the impact. The immense mass of the impactor, probably \geq 500 trillon tons (5x10¹⁴ t) deccelarated Earth's crust on the left side (west) of the impact site. during the crater formation which took around 120 sec.

Because Earth rotated around 0.5° during the crater formation there

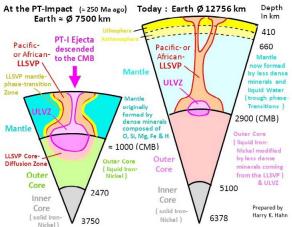


was tension- & shear-stress building-up on the right side (east) of the impact site. This has lead to a large initial crack in Earth's crust in particular on the right side of the impact crater. This crack in Earth's crust quickly opened-up during the later Expansion Tectonics process. The formation of the crack(s) was supported by very strong ejecta rays

The initial cracks in Earth's crust are PT-Crater topography marked with full green-lines on the map

global fracture-pattern, and a decompression of Earth's mantle. And the PT-Ejecta caused the hot LLSVP-areas in Earth's mantle. -> This has caused phase-transitions of dense (hydrous) minerals Earth's interior ≈ 250 Ma ago: to less dense minerals and caused in this way a many

Concept for the expansion of Earth's mantle after the PT-Impact:



minerals probably came from Enstatite-Chondrites towards much less dense minerals and Water

by much denser minerals which were mainly Earth's fractured crust → the decompression of composed of the elements O, Si, Mg, Fe & H and Earth's mantle, and the Ejecta of the PTI that which (partly) have been dense hydrous minerals descended into the mantle and formed the

Earth's interior today that contained 3- 14 wt% Water. Further Ice X LLSVPs & ULVZs, have together caused phase may have formed a share of Earth's mantle. The transitions of minerals and Ice X in the mantle

Computer-Simulation of an oblique (shallow) Impact-Crater that was caused by an impact-angle of ≈ 5° to 8° The 10 different features (1-10) in the same sequence indicate a **Probability >99.9999% for the real Crater!** Note: for the comparison only the left Crater-Topography of the real PT-Crater was used! In the top left image this is the area above the red dashed line. This side was mirrored to achieve a complete Crater-image

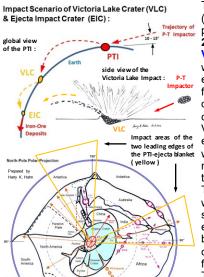
(→ because the right-side of the PT-Crater was deformed to much by expansion-tectonics after the impact) Used topographic-map: ETOPO 1; Amante & Eakins 2008, Topography of the Circum-Arctic Region Computer Simulation was made by D.Elbeshausen & K. Wünnemann etc. at MfN at the Humboldt Uni Berlin

Computer Simulation

Comparison of the real Topography of the Ø 1270 x 950 km elliptical Permian Triassic Impact Crater with a

The result of the PT-Impact: The Pacific - LLSVP and the African - LLSVP were caused by the two main Ejecta Rays of the PTI

There is strong indication that the Permian-Triassic Impact (PT-I) and the ejecta rays which were caused by this enormous impact are responsible for the formation of the two main LLSVPs (Large low-shear-velocity provinces) inside Earth's mantle. These two large structures, which are characterized by slow (seismic) shear wave velocities and which consist of much hotter material (~4000°K) than the surrounding mantle material (~2000°K), extend laterally and vertically for thousands of kilometers from the core-mantle boundary. In all probability the remains of large secondary impactors and the powerful ejecta of the leading edges of the two ejecta-wings of the PT-I descended deep into Earth's Mantle and caused the LLSVP's as a result.

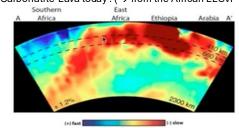


The diagram on the left shows the shallow (oblique) impact of the PT-Impactor which probably had a diameter of around ~60 to 200 km. It also shows a side view of the Victoria Lake Impact (crater) (→VLC) which was caused by a large secondary impactor ejected from the PTI-crater. Part of the ejecta from the VLC was ejected forward in impact direction where it formed another secondary crater, the EIC. The rest (the majority) of the VLC-ejecta was again ejected in a butterflyejecta-pattern. Traces of "forward-ejecta", which always seems to be dense & ductile metal-bearing material, are also visible near the CYC- and PHC (BBC)-craters.

The majority of the ejecta from the PTI-crater was ejected in the form of a gigantic butterflyshaped eiecta blanket. Where the leading edges of the two ejecta wings of this butterfly-ejecta blanket impacted on Earth's crust (in the yellow marked areas) extensive fractures (new continent borders) were formed The north-polar-projection of Earth, show n on the left shows Earth at P/T boundary time

A large part of the ejected material and a number of big secondary impactors impacted in these two yellow marked areas. → see also larger map in the chapter: "Earth at the time of the PT-Impact Event" The world map on the left shows the distribution of Carbonatites in Africa & Eurasia. I have rearranged the position & orientation of Africa. Europe and India so as they were just after the PT-Impact 253 Ma ago

(→ original map, Le Bas 1987). It is clearly visible that the carbonatites are mainly located along the paths where the leading edges of the ejecta wings of the PTI impacted!! This is especially clear for the impact path of the leading edge of the right ejecta wing along the east-coast of Africa (→ ejecta ray R4 & VLC-ray). Because the Carbonatites are probably derived from Earth's lower mantle, we can conclude that the shockwave of the PTI-impact, or PTI-ejecta descenting into the mantle, brought carbonatites from the lower mantle to the surface, or the carbonatites were brought-in by the impactor itself! Lengai Volcano in Tanzania still erupts Carbonatite-Lava today! (→ from the African LLSVP!)



section view of the African-LLSVP. The section view A – A'runs from the Arabian Peninsula through the African Rift Valley and the Victoria Lake (VLC) area towards South-Africa. The section view runs essentially along the same path where the leading edge of the right ejecta wing of the PTI impacted. It is clearly visible that the main structure of the African LLSVP is orientated along the same path as the impacting right leading edge of the PTI-ejecta. (→ LLSVP = red, orange & yellow area in the section view A - A'). The images are from a study of Andy Nyblade which used African-Array Data He claims that evidences indicate that the African LLSVP is a thermochemical whole-mantle-structure without a separation in the 410-660 km region.

The same principles applies for the Pacific LLSVP The two maps on the top right side show that especially the ULVZ at the core mantle boundary (CMB) within the Pacific LLSVP is mainly orientated along the path where the leading edge of the left ejecta wing of the PTI impacted. Because this ULVZ has a distinct chemical signature there is a high probability that the ULVZ is a direct result of ejecta of the PTI which descented to the CMB in this area.

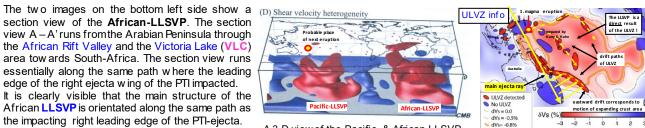
Note: it seems that the Cape York Impact produced a permanent channel in the mantle which connects the Pacific-LLSVP/ULVZ with the surface. Through this channel in the mantle ≥8 violent magma eruptions occurred over the last ~200 Ma causing a number of big LIP's on the Pacific Plate (e.g. the Ontong LIP)

Warning: There is a high probability that another such violent magma eruption will occur !! My study indicates that the next magma eruption will take place near the Fiji-is lands -> see image on the right w hich shows the path of the source (outflow channel positions = yellow dots) of the magma eruptions. It seems the Pacific LLSVP is due for an eruption soon! The solid upward pointing column at the topend of the LLSVP, near the Fiji's may indicate the coming eruption (& mass extinction!). The vertical

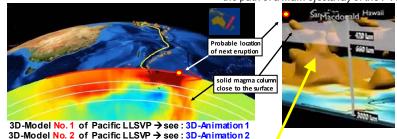
Note: All volcanos of the Pacific Fire Ring and all other volcanos on Earth can be explained by the Permian-Triassic Impact! They are all located in the (fractured) crust areas which were directly caused by the ejecta of the PT-I !! The magma (molten mantle material) which causes these volcanos, in all probability is exclusively a result of the impact of eiecta & secondary impactors from the PTI !!!

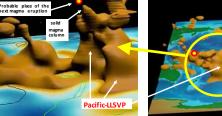
expansion rate of this column must be measured !!!

Therefore a revised model for Earth's mantle is required, which must consider a much higher share of volatiles, e.g. H₂O& CO₂ within the mantle material

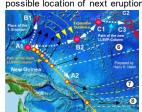


A 3-D view of the Pacific- & African LLSVP The Pacific-ULVZ is orientated along and the probable location of the next eruption the path of a main ejecta ray of the PTI



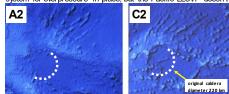


3D-view of Pacific-LLSVP with the possible location of next eruption



Path of the magma eruption source (→ yellow dots). A2, B1&B2, C1-C3 represent drift-off-copies & remains of the first magma-eruption-zone A1

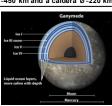
This 3-D Animation shows the African-LLSVP has a large ven system for overpressure in place, but the Pacific-LLSVP doesn't

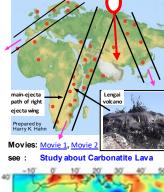


These two different ocean floor areas A2 & C2 which are thousands ofkm apart represent the same structure !! These "drift-off-copies" are an image of the first magma eruption which took place on position A1! These nearly identical structures, from two different crust layers (?), probably show the remains of a burst shield-volcano with a base Ø-450 km and a caldera Ø-220 km

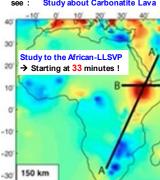
An alternative model for Earth's mantle is required !! probability contains much more volatiles, especially H2O, than currently believed Similar to Ganymede. Earth's mantle may contain a high share of high-pressure ice, e.g. Ice X & Ice XI, probably mixed with silicate material like in Callisto's mantle and other materials. H₂O may also be stored in materials like Ring

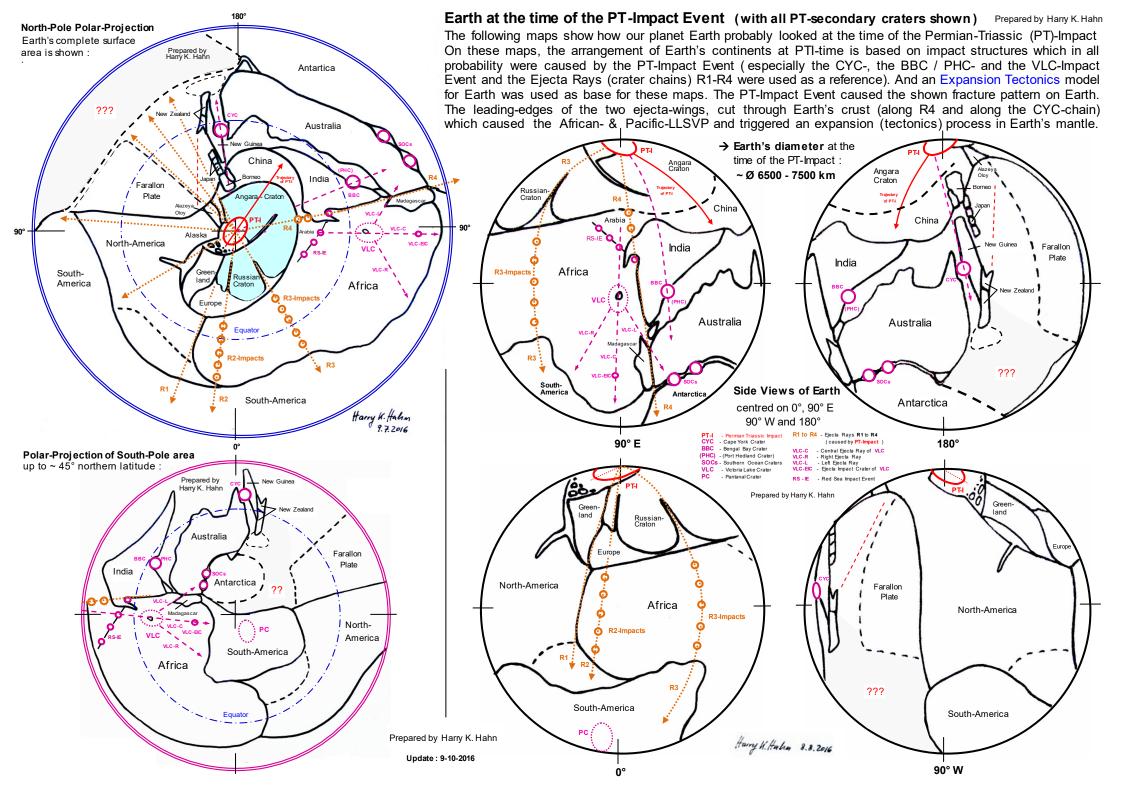






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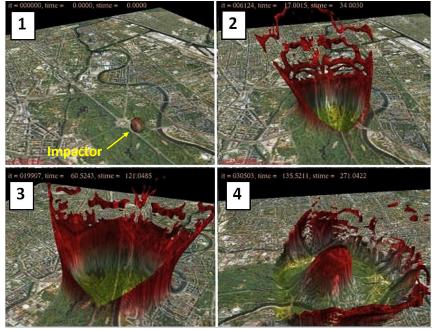




The impact of the leading edges of the two Ejecta-wings of the PT-Impact caused the Pacific- LLSVP and the African- LLSVP

PT-Impact

(Siberia)



This image sequence 1-4 shows a shallow (oblique) impact of a meteorite. Because the impactor hits the surface in a shallow angle two ejecta-wings are caused by the impact. (computer simulation of such an impact event)

Leading-edge of Earth at the time left ejecta-wing Impact areas of the most of the PT-Impact: powerful sections of the two ejecta-wings (vellow lines) and probable direction of the two leading edges of the North-Pole Polar-Projection ejecta-wings (red arrows) Prepared by Antartica Leading-edge of the right ejecta-wing South-America

Leading-edge of the left ejecta-wing The Permian Triassic (PT) Impact has caused two ejecta-wings (or—blankets) with powerful leading-edges of these ejecta-wings which cut through Earth's crust when they impacted on the surface. The ejecta material that has formed these leading-edges then descended into Earth's mantle where it caused the African- and Pacific-LLSVP, the two major LLSVPs. Leading-edge

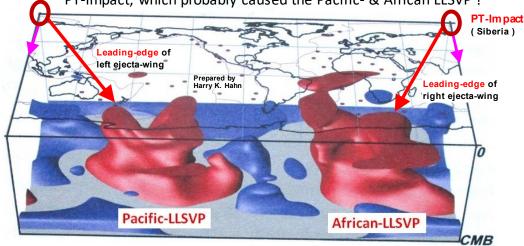
Magma (molten mantle material) in Earth's mantle probably is the result of ejecta material from the PT-Impact, which descended into Earth's mantle in the major fracture zones, caused by the leading

edges of the PT-ejecta-wings.

of the right ejecta-wing

All volcanos of the Pacific Fire Ring and volcanism on Earth can be explained by the Permian-Triassic Impact! Therefore a revised model for Earth's mantle is required, which must consider a mantle consisting of a mixture of silicate minerals and highpressure Ice, e.g. Ice X & Ice XI with a density≥ 3, which goes through a phase change because of the LLSVP-areas and expands Earth's mantle!

3-D view of the Pacific- & African LLSVP with the world map and the location of the PT-Impact Crater projected over it. The two red arrows represent the leading edges of the two ejecta-wings of the PT-Impact, which probably caused the Pacific- & African LLSVP!



Quarz-samples from potential Secondary-Impact-Craters & -structures caused by the Ø 1270 x 950 km PT-Crater, which indicate an Impact-shock event:

→ For more detailed information please read Part 6 (or here) of my study, and follow the links to the Raman-analyses or go to my website:

Note: The main-Raman-peaks of α -Quartz (\rightarrow unshocked quartz) have the wave-numbers: 464, 264, 206 and 128 cm⁻¹

→ A shift of ≥ 1 - 2 cm⁻¹ of the main-Raman peaks, indicates that the quartz was shocked with an impact-shock-pressure of ≥ 20 GPa

Spectral-Line Position in			n cm ⁻¹						
Impact-Crater or -structure	Sample-Site area	Sample-Site No.	Sample	e Main Quarz-Spectral-Lines			ı		
Ø 130 x 110 km Bay-of-Lyon Crater	crater-wall-area	27-B	stone 3	463	261	205	125	4	42°
(France/Spain)		27-B	stone 6	461			125		
Ø 30 km Impact Structure (Spain)	crater-wall	50	stone 1	463	261	205	127	3	37°
Ø 1,6 x 1,2 km Impact Crater (Spain)	crater-center	40-B	stone 1	463	261/263	203	127	3	36°
PTI-Ejecta-Ray 1 Structures (Spain)		6-A	stone 1	463	261	204	126	3	39°
Ø 160 km Salerno Impact Crater (Italy)	crater-wall-area	21	stone 1		261	204	125	4	40°
		21	stone 2		260	205			
Ø 320 km Cape York Crater (NE-Australia)	just ousite of crater-wall	46-C	stone 1	463	261	203	126] [₁	14°
	T T							-	
Ø 40 x 33 km elliptical Impact Crater	crater-center	25	stone 2	463	261	205	125	1 —	20°
(NW-Australia / Pilbara)	& ejecta-structures	11 10	stone 2	463 463	260	204	126 126		20° 20°
					l		l I	-	
Ø 30 km Mt Warning Impact Crater	crater-wall-area	8-B2	stone 3	463	260	205	127	+ -	28°
(East-Australia)		8-B3	stone 1		263	205] [_	28°
Ø 8 x 7 km elliptical Warwick Crater (E-Australia)	crater-center-area	43	stone 1	463	262	204			28°
		53	stone 1		263	204] [28°
PTI-Ejecta-Ray-4 impact-Structures (West-Australia)	Ejecta-impact-structures	5-B	stone 1	463	258/264	205	126		33°
in the Margaret River area		2	stone 1			204	125		33°
(on the western border of the Australian Plate)		7-B	stone 1		263		126] [3	34°
Ejecta-Ray Structure of the Ø 420 km SOC-Crater	Ejecta-impact-structures	55	stone 1		263	205			32°
(SOC = Southern Ocean Crater / SW-Australia)		50	stone 2			204	124	3	32°
Ejecta-Ray Structures in the Kalgoorlie-area (W-Australia)	Ejecta-impact-structures	2	stone 1	462	261	204	125	3	30°
caused either by the PHC or VLC		2	stone 2	463	260	205		ļ <u>L</u>	
(PHC=Port Hedland Crater; VLC=Victoria Lake Crater)		4	stone 1	463	260	204			30°
Note: the Super-Pit gold-mine in Kalgoorlie is		5	stone 1	463	260/266				30°
one of the largest gold-mines in the world.		21	stone 1	463	261		125		30°
Other rare- and heavy-elements are present in this area		27	stone 1	463	261	205	125		31°
		31	stone 1	463	257/267	204	125		31°
		13	stone 1			204	126	3	30°
Ejecta-Ray Structures in the Southern-Cross-area	Ejecta-impact-structures	1	stone 1	463	261	204	126	3	31°
caused either by the PHC or VLC		9	stone 1	463	261	205		3	30°
(PHC=Port Hedland Crater; VLC=Victoria Lake Crater)		16	stone 1	463	261	205		3	30°
Ejecta-Ray Structures in the Geraldton-area (W-Australia)	Ejecta-impact-structures	12	stone 1	461			126	-	29°
caused either by the PHC or VLC		17	stone 1	463	262/268		125		29°
(PHC=Port Hedland Crater; VLC=Victoria Lake Crater)		11	stone 1		260/265		125		29°

\rightarrow	Geological Evidence
(or alternative : here)

Please note:

GPS - datas

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42,036 N 2° 33,932 E

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14,335 S 151° 47,524 E 114°

22,507 S 115° 8,101 E

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Longitude

3° 19,028 E

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The listed samples sites (→ see GPS-datas) are from impact-craters and impact-structures which are still unknown to the geological society!

These sites represent secondary impact-craters and impact-structures of the PT-Impact Event.

→ Evidence of shock-metamorphic effects from ≥ six possible Secondary Craters of the PT - Impact Event :

1.) The ≈ Ø 130 x 110 km "Bay of Lyon Crater" in France:

→ Shock-metamorphic effects of the Impact : Shocked quartz was found in rock samples from sample site 27-B

→ Raman spectra of rock samples from the Bay-of-Lyon Crater (or → here)

Photos of the Sample Sites & Rock Samples (No. 27-B3 (1-4)) are available here: ▶ Sample Sites "Bay of Lyon Crater"

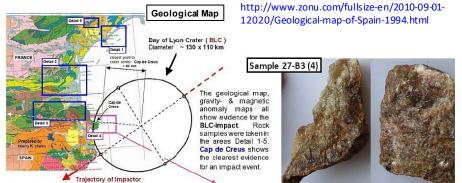
→ Geological Map of Spain :

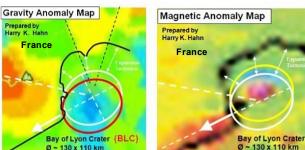
The Ø 130 x 110 km Bay of Lyon Crater is the first member of a secondary impact crater chain which formed the coastline of Eastern-Spain and the western coastline of Italy. (→ see description in my PT-Impact hypothesis) It was the first and probably most powerful crater at the northern end of this secondary crater chain, and it represents approximatelly the pivet-point, around which the Italian mainland and the Yugoslavian Block, rotated after the PT-Impact Event (see image sequence 1-3 below). Raman spectra of quartz grains from sample site 27-B clearly indicate a shock-event caused by an Impact which has formed "Cabo de Creus" (site 27-B). This is a first strong indication for the existence of the Ø 130x110km "Bay of Lyon" Crater

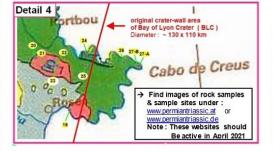
The possible impact crater is noticeable on a gravity anomaly map and the crater-center has left a strong signature on the magnetic anomaly map too, which indicates that the impactor (a big ejecta fragment from the PT-Crater) probably consisted of a considerable amount of iron.

The closest point on land in reference to the assumed crater center of the "Bay of Lyon Crater" is **Cabo de Creus** in Spain. Here sample location **27-B** is located. The rock-type (46) marked in dark green on the geological map is ≈ 440-550 Ma old (Paleozoic Age) and therefore contains shock-metamorphic effects of the PTI-event, in this case from the "Bay of Lyon Crater". Sample site 27-B shows a large area which consists of rock that was partly melted and strongly deformed. In all probability all the rock on this site is partly melted ejecta from the Bay of Lyon Crater, and some of the rocks may be ejecta from the PT-Impact Crater as well. Cabo de Creus may represent a small remaining section of the original crater-wall of the "Bay of Lyon Crater"

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The above shown Cap de Creus is the closest point to the center of impact of the Bay of Lyon Crater (BLC). Distance to the crater center ~ 50 km it seems that Cap de Creus is a remain of the original crater-wall of the Bay of Lyon Crater | Therefore it should be a primary research area for the scientific analysis of this impact Event.

2.) The Ø 1.6 x 1.2 km elliptical Impact Crater in Southern-Spain (≈ 35 km East of Almeria):

→ Shock-metamorphic effects of the Impact : Shocked quartz was found in rock samples from Sample Site 40-B

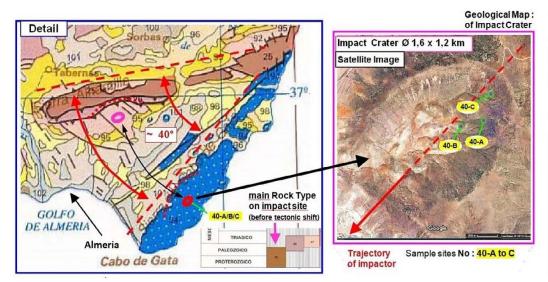
→ Raman spectra of samples from the 30 km & 1.6x1.2 km Craters (or here)

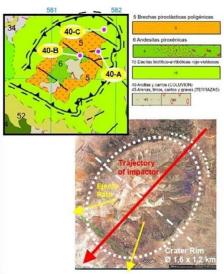
Photos of the Sample Sites & Rock Samples (No. 40-B and others) are available here: ▶ Sample Sites - Spain_3

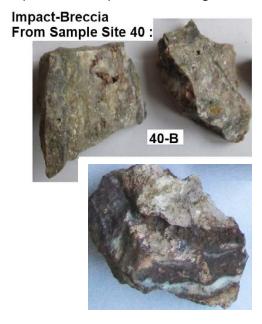
At the center of this elliptical Impact Crater shock-metamorphed rock (Impact-Breccia) crops out of the ground. This certainly isn't a volcanic structure! It is a perfect Ø 1.6 x 1.2 km "oblique impact crater", but unknown to the geological society! Raman spectra of quartz from sample site 40-B point towards a shock-event caused by an Impact. The spectra indicate that the quartz was exposed to an impact shock pressure of around 22 GPa. This elliptical Impact Crater is very interesting because it has the potential to proof the large-scale impact-scenario in Southern-Spain, which in all probability was caused by the PT-Impact Event. And it can proof the tectonic-shift and rotation of a large area consisting of Proterozoic Rock (> 250 Ma old) which in all probability was caused by the tectonic motion of the African Plate, that was triggered by impacting ejecta of the PT-Crater. Please note that the crater originally impacted in the "brown-colored" rock-type 25, which is Proterozoic Rock! (see Geological Map below!)

This is indicated by the curved cutout (or dent) visible in the brown rock-type (see map below), which represents a linear 300 - 400 m high mountain range. I have drawn-in a small pink-colored ellipse on the position where I believe the crater was originally located in reference to this mountain range. This mountain range consisting of rock-type 25 in all probability is the remaining section of an ejecta ray from the PT-Crater, and the small elliptical crater was caused by a larger fragment from the ejecta of the PT-Crater. The blue-colored rock type is much younger and was produced by the volcanic activity which was triggered by the large-scale impact event.

The orientation, ellipticity and shape of the impact crater, which is perfectly orientated in line with the mountain range, provide precise information about the trajectory, impact angle and velocity of the ejecta from the PT-Crater that impacted here. Therefore this secondary-crater of the PT-Impact Event should be an important study object in order to bring light in the large-scale impact scenario caused by the PTI which took place in Europe ≈ 253 Ma ago







→ Weblink to the Geological Map of Spain :

http://www.zonu.com/fullsize-en/2010-09-01-12020/Geological-map-of-Spain-1994.html

3a.) The ≈ Ø 30 km Impact Structure in Southern-Spain (near Puerto de Mazarron in Murcia in Andalucia):

→ Shock-metamorphic effects of the Impact : Shocked quartz was found in rock samples from the Sample Sites 50 and 19-B & 30-B
 → Raman spectra of samples from the 30 km & 1.6x1.2 km Craters (or → here)

Photos of these Sample Sites & Rock Samples (and others) are available here : ▶ Sample Sites - Spain_3 & Sample Sites - Spain_1 & 2

The $\approx \emptyset$ 30 km bow-shaped Structure which is visible on the satellite image (\rightarrow see image below) was caused by an Impact Event. **Shocked quartz** that was found on **sample site 50** clearly indicates that the quartz was exposed to a **shock pressure of around 22 GPa**. (\rightarrow see Raman spectra on the next pages)

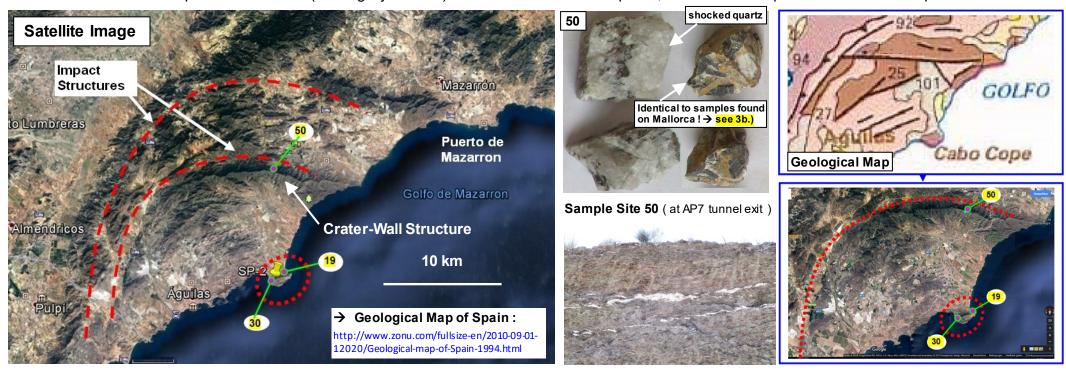
This large bow-shaped Impact Structure belongs to a large-scale impact event which according to my hypothesis was caused by ejecta material that was ejected from the Permian Triassic (PT) Crater in the Arctic Sea (see Parts 1 to 5 of my hypothesis).

The impact structure belongs to a large-scale Secondary Crater Chain that was caused by the PT-Impact Event. The "Bay-of-Lyon Crater" described under 1.) and the \emptyset 1.6 x 1.2 km "oblique impact crater" described under 2.) are impact craters which belong to the same Secondary Crater Chain (\rightarrow PT-Impact Event)

The Geological Map of Spain shows that the bow-shaped "Crater-Wall structure" consists of rock-type 25 (brown-colored on the geological map), which is Proterozoic Rock that probably is > 250 Ma (million years) old!

The age of the rock at sample site 50 also indicates that the impact structure can be a result of the PT-Impact Scenario described in my hypothesis.

Rock samples collected at the sample sites 19 and 30, at the center of the bow-shaped impact structure (Cabo Cope), also indicate a impact shock event. Quartz in these rock samples shows similar (but slightly weaker) shifts of the main Raman peaks, as the shocked quartz collected on sample site 50.



3b.) Traces of the Permian-Triassic Impact Event found on the islands Mallorca (Spain) and Sardinia (Italy):

- → Shock-metamorphic effects of the Impact : Shocked quartz was found in rock samples from the Sample Sites 6-A & 6-B on Mallorca Photos of these Sample Sites & Rock Samples and Raman spectra of analysed rock samples are available here :
- ► Traces of the PT- Impact Event found on the Islands Mallorca & Sardinia, with Raman spectra of selected Rock Samples (or: here)

Just a few kilometers offshore of the eastern coast-line of Mallorca there is a distinct linear step visible on the ocean-floor topography.

This linear step on the ocean-floor represents a linear fracture in Earth's crust that was caused by the impact impulse of ejecta-material, which was ejected by the Ø 1270 x 950 km Permian-Triassic Impact Crater (PTI) along the PTI-Ejecta Ray R1.

Parallel to the mentioned linear step on the ocean-floor, more such linear fractures were caused by the impact of Ejecta Ray R1, along the western side of Mallorca (e.g. in the Tramuntana Range). These linear fractures and the impulse of the impacting PTI-ejecta-material have caused small crust-fragments which were inclined towards east. On their western side these crust-fragments were lifted upwards by the impact event, and in this way they formed the linear mountain range "Serra de Tramuntana" on the island Mallorca, which runs all along the west-side of Mallorca in NE to SW direction.

The mentioned linear fractures are the cause for the later break-off of the three islands Mallorca, Menorca & Ibiza from the spanish mainland. One particular deep fracture, in combination with the expansion- tectonics process which was triggered by the PT-Impact Event, has caused this "break-off"-process.

I also found additional traces of the PT-Ejecta-Ray R1 and a small impact crater on satellite images of the island Sardinia (see image below on the right)

In the Raman Spectra of quartz grains from rock samples collected at the sample sites 6-A and 6-B on the north-coast of the Tramuntana Range there are clear shifts of the main Raman bands (peaks) to the lower frequencies 463, 261, 204 and 126 cm⁻¹ visible in the spectra, which indicate that the quartz was exposed to a shock pressure of ≈ 20 - 22 GPa. Note that Breccia-samples from site 6-C are identical to Breccia-samples which I have collected



There is a secondary impact crater Ø 12 x 9 km visible on the island Sardinia, caused by the Ejecta Ray R1. The crater-walls (-structures) consisting of mesozoic / paleozoic limestone.



4.) The ≈ Ø 160 km "Salerno Crater" in Italy :

→ Shock-metamorphic effects of the Impact : Indication for Shocked quartz was found in rock samples of Sample Sites 20 & 21
 → Raman spectra of rock samples from the Salerno Crater (or → here)

Photos of these Sample Sites & Rock Samples (and other sample sites) are available here : ▶ Sample Sites "Salerno Crater"

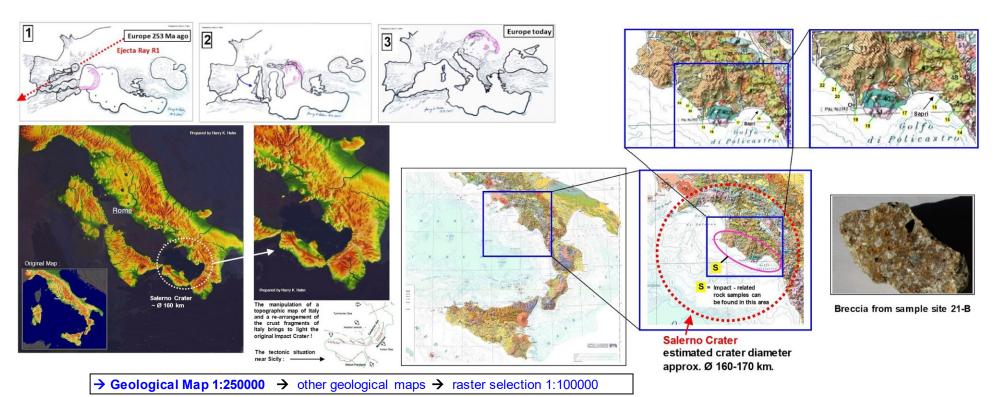
The Ø 160 km "Salerno Crater is part of the same secondary crater chain as the "Bay of Lyon Crater" described under 1.), which in all probability was caused by ejecta that was ejected from the Permian Triassic Crater Ø 1270 x 950 km Permian Triassic Impact Crater (PTI) in the Arctic Sea near Alaska This secondary crater chain probably consisted of at least four major secondary craters. (→ see image sequence 1 to 3 below)

The first crater of this crater chain is the "Bay of Lyon Crater" (→ probably the most powerful crater) and the last crater was the "Salerno Crater" which is still noticeable on the topography map of Italy, if the crust fragments which form Italy are arranged in their positions as they were approx. 200 Ma ago.

In the Raman Spectra of quartz grains from rock samples collected at the sample sites 20 & 21 there are shifts of main Raman bands (peaks) to the lower frequencies noticeable in the spectra, which indicate that the quartz was exposed to a shock pressure of ≈ 20 - 22 GPa.

But these shifts of the main Raman peaks are less pronounced than the peak shifts in the samples of the "Bay of Lyon Crater" (BLC). This indicates that the impact pressure or shock pressure was less at the end of the described crater chain than at the start of the chain (at the BLC).

Microscope images of some of the analysed quartz grains in samples from the **sites 21 & 20** also seem to indicate an impact shock event. In order to confirm the Salerno Crater as a secondary crater of the PT-Impact Event an analysis for PDFs (planar deformation features) should be done.



5.) The ≈ Ø 320 km "Cape York Crater" in North-East Australia :

→ Shock-metamorphic effects of the Impact: Shocked quartz was found in rock samples from the Sample Sites 46 & 50 (2.trip)

The sample site 49-C / 23 (1. & 2.trip) also indicates an impact event → Raman spectra of rock samples from the Cape York Crater (or here)

Photos of Sample Sites & Rock Samples are available here : ▶ Sample Sites CY-Crater 2 (2.trip) & Sample Sites CY-Crater 1 (1.trip)

The yet unknown giant Ø 320 km "Cape York Crater" (CYC) in NE-Australia is located on the ocean floor just east of the Cape York Peninsula.

The possible impact crater is noticeable on different gravity anomaly maps and on topographic maps.

According to my PT-Impact Hypothesis the crater belongs to a Secondary Impact Crater Chain, which was caused by ejecta material that was ejected from the \emptyset 1270 x 950 km Permian Triassic Impact Crater (PTI), located in the Arctic Sea near Alaska. (\rightarrow see my **Study** about this Crater).

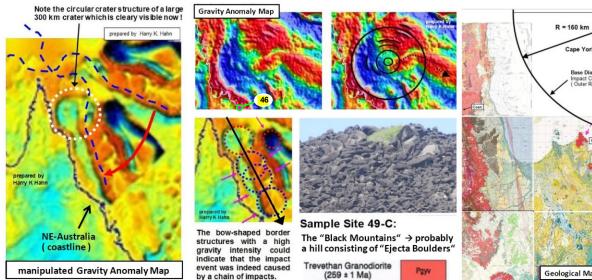
The closest point on land in relation to the crater center is **Cape Melville** which probably represents a small section of the original outer crater-wall and which is only reachable on a difficult 4W-track or with a boat (probably the best option!). The satellite image of Cape Melville shows hills of **large grey boulders of up to Ø 20 m**. These grey boulders consist of **Cape-Melville-Granite with an Early-Permian Age**. But I haven't been on this site yet!

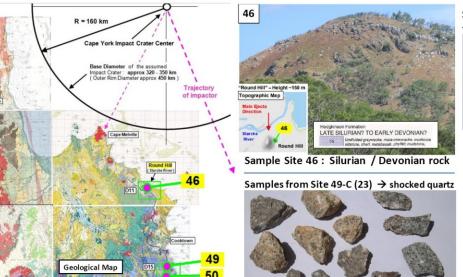
The closest site that I could reach on my 2.trip (Cape York 2), in reference to the \emptyset 320 km Crater, is **sample site 46** located approx. 75 km south of the crater-rim of the \emptyset 320 km "Cape York Crater" (\rightarrow see map). This sample site is a hill consisting of Silurian-/ Devonian-age rock, accessible per road

Raman spectra of quartz grains from sample site 46 clearly indicate a shock-event caused by an Impact. This is strong indication for the existence of the Ø 320 km "Cape York Crater". Further evidence comes from sample site 50. The Raman spectra of quartz from sample site 50 also provides evidence for a large-scale impact event. It shows similar shifts of the Raman peaks of the quartz to the lower frequencies, which indicates a shock pressure of ≈ 20 - 22 GPa that was caused by the large-scale "secondary impact event" (crater-chain) described in my hypothesis. Sample Site 49-C is located at the "Black Mountains" 20 km south of Cooktown. These "Ejecta-Boulder-Hills" (Black Mountains) probably were formed

during the large-scale Cape-York Impact. The boulders of the "Black Mountains" consist of Trevethan Granodiorite with a given age of 259 +/- 1 Ma which is very close to the PT-boundary age of ≈253 Ma. Cape Melville also seems to consist of these kind of Ejecta-Boulders from the PT-boundary

RAMAN spectra from quartz at site 49-C also indicate a shock event. However the shift of the Raman peaks is less and the evidence therefore weaker.





Weblinks: Gravity Anomaly Map 1; Gravity Anomaly Map 2 - Geological Maps: Cape Meville; Cooktown area



Sample from Site 50 : → shocked quartz (grey)



The Ø 30 km Mt Warning Impact Crater & 1.5 km Impact Crater (East Australia):

→ Shock-metamorphic effects of the Impact: Shocked quartz was found in rock samples from the Sample Site 8-B2 /-B3 → Raman spectra of samples from the 30 km Mt Warning Crater (or → here)

Photos of these Sample Sites & Rock Samples (and others) are available here: ▶ Sample Sites "Mt Warning Crater"

The Ø 30 km crater-shaped Mt Warning area and a smaller ≈ Ø 1.5 km crater structure, which is located directly near the crater-rim of the Mt Warning Crater, seem to belong to the large-scale impact event caused by the Ø 320 km Cape York Crater and by other large secondary craters of the PT-Impact Event.

(→ see Study: The 320 km Cape York Crater (link2))

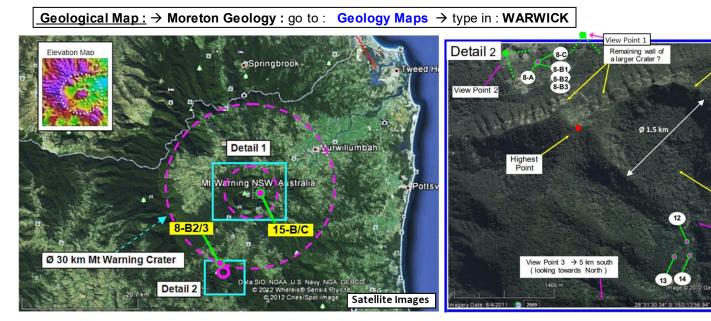
Mount Warning seems to be the result of a large secondary impact caused by the Cape York Impact Event in NE-Australia. And it is not the rest of an erroded shield-volcano as currently believed! Therefore the true age of the Mt Warning crater may be $\sim 253 \, \text{Ma}$ (\rightarrow PT-boundary age).

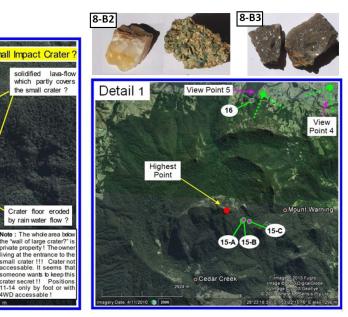
The chaotic looking central area of the Mt Warning crater-area (**Detail 1**) probably is the result of a shield volcano which grew on top of the Mt Warning impact crater after the Impact Event. When the volcanic activity ended, this shield volcano then heavily eroded and collapsed into the visible chaotic structure, which consists of magmatic material. Only the original Crater-wall of the Mt Warning crater is a remain of the original earlier impact event. (-> my hypothesis)

The samples 8-B2 /-B3 were collected on the foot of a possible remain of the original crater-wall of the Ø 30 km Mt Warning Impact Crater.

The Raman spectra of quartz from sample site 8-B2, on the foot of the Mt Warning crater-wall, and on the outside of the smaller Ø 1.5 km circular crater visible in **Detail 2** provides **first indication for an impact event!** The shifts of the main Raman peaks of the analysed quartz grain to lower frequencies, which is visible in Raman-spectra, indicates that the quartz from this site in all probability was exposed to a shock pressure of around 20 - 22 GPa.

The spectra of the rock samples from site 15-B and 15-C, the central mountain in the Mt Warning Crater, all indicate magmatic material.





small Impact Crater

the small crater ?

Crater floor eroded

by rain water flow

7.) The Ø 8 x 7 km elliptical "Warwick Crater" in East-Australia

→ Shock-metamorphic effects of the Impact structure: Shocked quartz was found in rock samples from the Sample Sites 43, 51, 53 & 54

→ Raman spectra of samples from the 8x7 km elliptical Warwick Crater (or → here)

Photos of these Sample Sites & Rock Samples (and other sample sites) are available here : ▶ Sample Sites – Ø 8 x 7 km Warwick Crater

The Ø 8 x 7 km elliptical Warwick Crater is located ≈150 km south-west of Brisbane, near the Town Warwick (≈ 160 km west of the Mt. Warning area.).

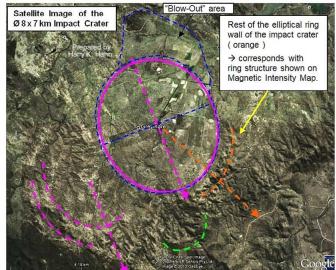
There is a precise **Elliptical crater structure** noticeable on the **Magnetic Intensity Map**. This **elliptical ring structure** is not completely closed, which is an indication that the impactor arrived in a shallow angle. The orientation of the elliptical ring structure corresponds to the orientation of the (assumed) ejecta blanket. (see marks (lines) on the geological map below) The age of the oblique impact in all probablility is ≈ **253 Ma**. (PT-boundary age) (see explanation in Part 2 of my hypothesis about the PT-Impact Event)

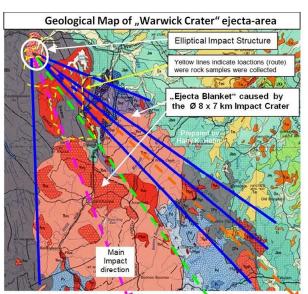
The geological map of the surrounding area clearly shows a distribution of certain rock types along sectors, which are limited by "rays", which all seem to come from the same starting point. And it seems that all rays have their starting point within the elliptical impact structure! Only the rays which limit the sector of the grey colored rock type seem to have their starting point shifted a bit towards the direction where the impactor came from. It seems that the pink & red colored rock types were scattered during the impact towards the south-east, in a cone-shaped pattern. These rock-types probably represent the remains of the impactor that formed the crater. The Raman spectrum of quartz from sample site 43 provides first evidence for an impact shock event. The shifts of the main Raman peaks, of the analysed quartz, to the lower frequencies 463 and 204 cm⁻¹, provide indication for an impact event that caused a shock pressure of around 22 GPa.

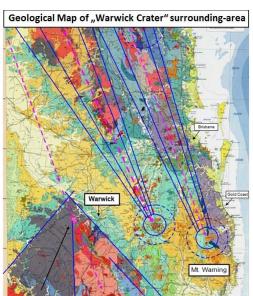
Further indication comes from the Raman spectra of quartz grains from the sample sites 53, 51 and 54 which show shifts of the main Raman peaks to the lower frequencies 263 and 205 (204) cm⁻¹, to the lower frequencies 263 and 205 cm⁻¹, to 260 and 126 cm⁻¹ and to 262 (265) and 204 (207) cm⁻¹

The main impact direction of this elliptical Impact Crater points towards the Cape York Crater (chain). Therefore in all probability the Ø 8 x 7 km "Warwick Crater" was caused by a large ejecta fragment of the Cape York Impact Event. But it is also possible that it was caused by a large ejecta fragment of the PT-Impact Crater. (→ Please also read the Study: The 320 km Cape York Crater (link2))









8.) The Ø 40 x 33 km elliptical Pilbara Crater near Port Hedland (NW-Australia)

→ Shock-metamorphic effects of the Impact: Shocked quartz was found in rock samples from the Sample Sites 25, 10 and 11
 → Raman spectra of samples from the 40 x 33 km Pilbara Crater (or → here)

Photos of these Sample Sites & Rock Samples (and other sample sites) are available here : ▶ Sample Sites Pilbara Crater 1

The Ø 40 x 33 km elliptical impact crater is located near the town Port Hedland in the North of Western Australia.

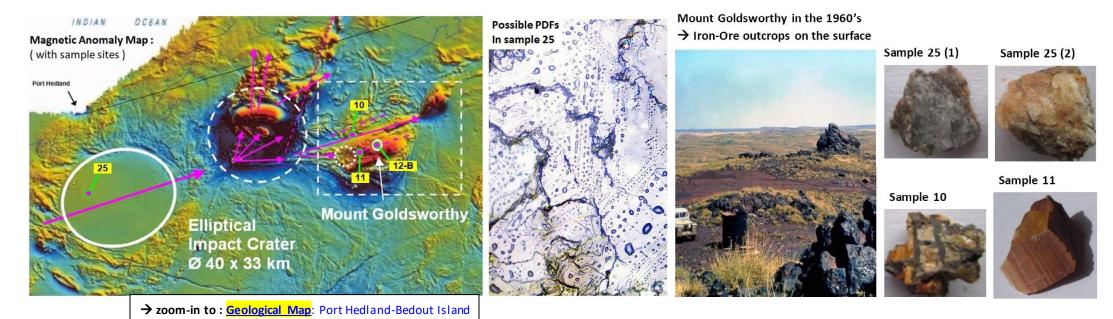
Because of the ellipical shape of the crater it is the result of an **oblique impact**. That means the impactor which formed the crater impacted in a very shallow angle of probably less then 10°. Because of this shallow impact angle, fragments of the impactor were ejected from the crater and caused complex secondary impact structures 40 km and 80 km further east of this elliptical crater. (sample sites 10 and 11 are located here)

One of the secondary impact structures is **Mount Goldsworthy**, which is a famous **Iron Ore Mine** that contained the world's richest deposits of ferrous (iron)-ore with a share of up to 68 % iron. These impact structures are all noticeable on a magnetic anomaly map (>> see map below)

The Ø 40 x 33 km elliptical Impact Crater near Port Hedland probably was formed by ejecta material that was ejected by a larger crater near Onslow, a town on the NW-coast of Western Australia. This crater near Onslow in all probability was caused by the Permian-Triassic Impact Event 253 Ma ago (in my opinion) The rock of the area were the Impact-Structures are located in, is \approx 2.9 Ga old. But the impact structures seem to be much younger! (\rightarrow see iron-outcrops)

Raman spectra of quartz grains from the sample site 25 near the center of the elliptical crater and from the sample sites 10 and 11 located in the secondary impact structures of this crater clearly indicate a shock-event caused by an Impact.

The shifts of the Raman peaks of the analysed quartz samples to lower frequencies indicates an **impact shock pressure of ≈ 20 - 22 GPa**Further evidence comes from a **microscopic image of sample 25** which **indicates planar deformation features (PDFs).**



9.) The Ejecta Ray from the ≈ Ø 420 km "Southern Ocean Crater (SOC)" in Western Australia

→ Shock-metamorphic effects of the Impact structure: Shocked quartz was found in rock samples from the Sample Sites 50, 52 & 55

→ Raman spectra of Ejecta-Ray samples of the 420 km Southern Ocean Crater (or here)

Other interesting rock samples are: 55 (ground consists of coherent mass of light-weight ceramic-like material which contains pipe-shaped gas-bubbles!)

53 (ground is full of black glass-like stones → Micro-Tectites?); 49 (shocked quartz may be present here too!)

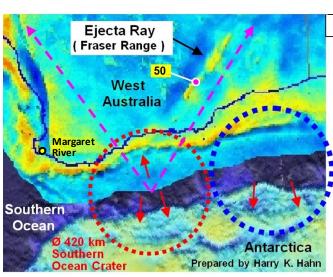
Photos of these Sample Sites & Rock Samples (& other sample sites) are available here : ▶ Sample Sites - Ejecta Ray of the 420 km SOC

Note: Shock-metamorphic effects caused by ejecta from the Ø 420 km Southern Ocean Crater may also be found in rocks of another area where I have collected samples: ► Sample Sites - Margaret River Area; interesting sample areas: ►: 7-A & 7-B and 8-A & 8-B

The massive ejecta ray of the $\approx \emptyset$ 420 km "Southern Ocean Crater" is noticable on gravity- & magnetic anomaly map of Australia. A map combination of a gravity anomaly map of Australia and a topographic map of Antartica, arranged to each other so as they were \sim 200 Ma ago, shows the outline of the \emptyset 420 km SOC. A magnetic anomaly map provides clear evidence of the circular structure of the crater. And a geological map of the area south of Kalgoorlie indicates the precise linear structure of the Fraser Range which represents the massive ejecta ray that was ejected from the crater. The age of the rock which forms the linear Fraser Range is given with \approx 1.3 Ga. This is the age of the crust-material that was ejected by the SOC. But the impact event itself was at the PT-boundary!

Rock samples from the center line of this linear mountain range provide first evidence for an impact event. The Raman spectra of quartz from sample sites 50, 52 & 55 provide first indication for an impact event! The shifts of two main Raman peaks of the analysed quartz grains from sample site 55 (Stone 1) to the lower frequencies 263 and 205 cm⁻¹ and to 261/264 and 205 cm⁻¹, and the shifts of two main Raman peaks in the quartz grains from sample site 50 (Stone 2) to the lower frequencies 204 and 124 cm⁻¹ and to 260/265 and 204 (200,209) cm⁻¹ (double peaks), and similar shifts in samples from site 52, which are visible in the Raman Spectra provide a first indication that the quartz from these sample sites was exposed to a shock pressure in the range of 20-22 GPa

The rock material from sample sites 50 and 55 may provide further evidence for the ejecta-ray-theory. On **site 55** the rock consists of **glass-like material that contains pipe-shaped bubbles filled with air** (or gas). Microscopic images of some analysed quartz grains from site 50, 52 & 55 may provide further proof for a shock event (see: Raman spectra of Ejecta-Ray samples of the 420 km Southern Ocean Crater (or: here)



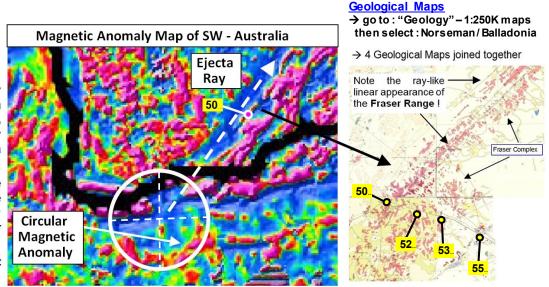
→ Gravity Anomaly Map 1

Explanation to this map:

A map combination of a gravity anomaly map of Australia and a topographic map of Antarctica, arranged to each other, so as they were ~ 200 Ma ago indicate a ~ Ø 420 km Impact Crater.

Note the ring structures, the strong ejecta ray and the triangular shaped gravity anomaly which has its apex in the center of the red marked impact crater.

And there may be another impact crater (blue marked).



- 10.) Impact Area of the PTI-Ejecta Ray R4 & Impact Areas of Ejecta Rays from the Ø400x350 km Port Hedland Crater or from the Victoria Lake Impact (E-Africa) → located in Western Australia
 - → Shock-metamorphic effects of these Impact structures : Shocked quartz was found in rock samples from different sample areas Photos of these Sample Sites & Rock Samples (& other sample sites) are available here :

PTI - Ejecta Ray R4 : ► Rock Samples from Margaret River Area (or here : Margaret River Area)

Ejecta Rays from the Port Hedland Crater or from the Victoria Lake Impact (VLC) in East-Africa:

► Rock Samples from Kalgoorlie Area ► Rock Samples from Southern Cross Area ► Rock Samples of the Geraldton Area
The Gravity Anomaly Map indicates that Ejecta-material from the Ø 400 x 350 km Port Hedland Crater or from the Victoria Lake Crater
(VLC) in East-Africa probably impacted in Western Australia and formed the linear structures which are visible as positive anomalies
(red) on the gravity anomaly map.

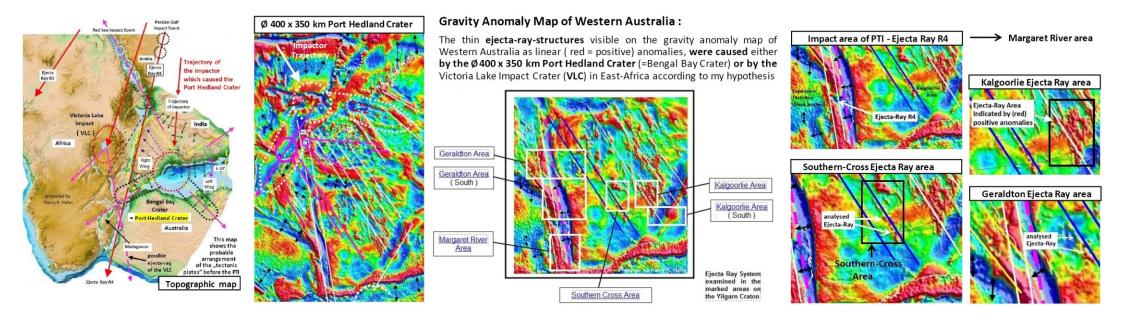
The may also indicates that **the west coast of Western Australia was formed by the strong PTI - Ejecta Ray R4** according to my PTI – Hypothesis. → The analysed rock samples from the **Margaret River area** indicate an impact shock event.caused by Ejecta Ray R4.

Here the weblinks to the Raman-spectroscopy analyses results which indicate shock metamorphic effects present in these areas :

Sample area to proof the PTI - Ejecta Ray R4 : ► Raman analysis of samples from Margaret River (or here : Link 2_MR)

Sample areas to proof the Ejecta Rays from the Ø 400x350 km Port Hedland Crater or from the Victoria Lake Impact (E-Africa):

- ► Raman analysis of Kalgoorlie samples (or: Link 2_KAL) ► Raman analysis of Southern-Cross samples (or: Link 2_SC)
- ► Raman analysis of Geraldton samples (or: Link 2_GER)



→ Other possible Secondary Impact Sites of the PT - Impact Event (PTI)

For the following possible Secondary Impact Sites of the PTI, I also will present Raman Spectra of some rock samples soon!

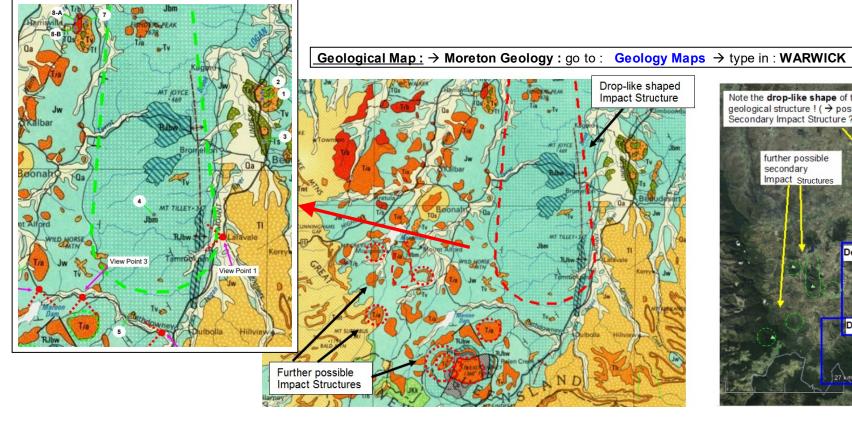
11.) The drop-shaped 60 x 15 km Secondary Impact Structure of the PTI, north-west of Mt. Warning (Australia)

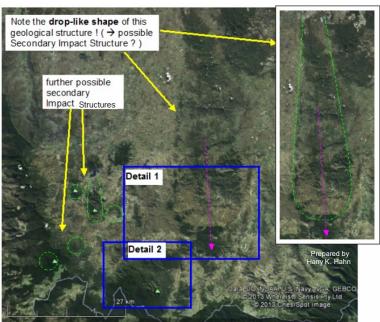
→ Shock-metamorphic effects of the Impact structure: weakly-shocked feldspar was found in rock samples from the Sample Site 8-B

Photos of these Sample Sites & Rock Samples (& other sample sites) are available here : ▶ Sample Sites – NW of Mt Warning (or here)

▶

The 60 x 15 km drop-shaped secondary impact-structure \approx 60 km north-west of Mt. Warning is visible on a satellite map (see image below). In all probability it was caused by the Cape York (Crater Chain) impact event. There are other smaller circular, ring-shaped and drop-shaped structures located on the left side of the larger structure, which also seem to be secondary impact structures. Sample site 8-B is located on one of these smaller structures just \approx 3 km left of the larger structure. Raman spectra of feldspar from sample site 8-B indicate weakly-shocked feldspar. This points to a shock-event caused by an Impact.





12-A.) The Ø 15 x 11 km "Anaga Crater" on Tenerife (Canary Islands):

- → Photos of Sample Sites & Rock Samples are available here : ► Sample Sites Anaga Crater → Interesting sites: 5, 7, 9, 10, 54, 57& 58
- → Raman-spectra and microscope-images taken from rock samples are available here: Raman spectra of samples from Tenerife (or: here)

Direct mineralogical evidence for an impact event (shocked quartz) wasn't found on Tenerife and on the other Canary Islands, but a strong indication for an impact event on Tenerife comes from the fracture pattern in the Anaga Range, which shows an area effected by compression stress and an area effected by tensile stress, separated by a curved rift zone (→ weblink (blue) opens a PDF with references to geological studies of Tenerife ► see page 2)

I believe that the hot spots which caused the Canary Islands originally were impact sites of large ejecta fragments, which were ejected from the Permian Triassic Impact Crater in the Arctic Sea. And I am sure that these impact sites (hot spots) were produced by the same large-scale secondary impact event (caused by the PT-Impact), which also has formed the "Bay of Lyon Crater" and other impact structures in southern Spain → see 1.) - 3.)

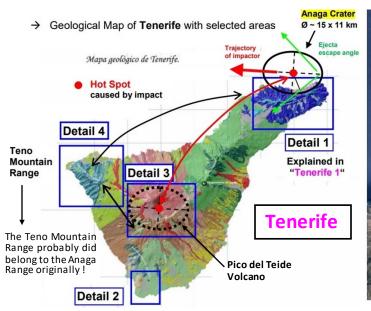
But it will be difficult to provide evidence for this hypothesis, because the evidence is buried under thick layers of lava and magmatic rocks. Maybe a drill core analysis of rock material from locations close to the assumed original impact sites (e.g. the center area of the "Anaga Impact Crater") may provide the evidence

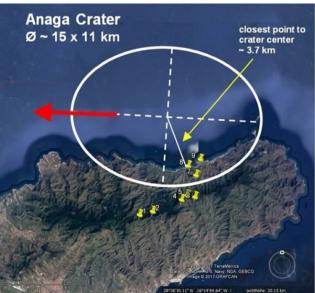
I will publish **Raman spectra** of rock samples from the Canarian Islands **Tenerife, Gran Canaria & Fuerteventura** soon. Please have a look in the **vixra.org** or in the **archive.org** internet archive under my author name soon. Some of these Raman spectra or identified minerals may indicate the described impact event.

The Anaga Range on Tenerife belongs to the old basaltic shield of Tenerife, which is the oldest rock on Tenerife. The most rock on the Canary Islands is considered to be only a few million years old. But the base under the old basaltic shields is much older. The oceanic ground where the Canary Islands are located on, definitely is >150 - 200 Ma old. Therefore the deep base-rock under the Anaga-Range and Anaga-Crater may have PT-boundary age of ≈ 250 Ma An interesting site is an "Old rock Island" inside the Pico del Teide caldera (site 58) which may also provide proof of the Anaga Crater impact event. This old rock could have a P/T-age of ~252 Ma. The old rock probably was lifted by the impact or by the growing volcano from the original ancient ocean floor(?)

I believe that the impact point of the Anaga Crater (a "hot spot") drifted away from the original Anaga Crater later after the impact event (\rightarrow see red arrow on the map!) supported by an Expansion Tectonics process, and was responsible for the later formation of the Pico del Teide Volcano which is still active today.

On sample site 7 close to the center of the assumed Anaga-Crater the geological map shows an area consisting of batholith material (intrusive igneous rock).





Volumetric dilatation

Compression

I m rift zone opening

Example 1

N160*

Fig. 7 Dislocation models calculated at a horizontal plane. A segmented rift zone was defined with an outline similar to the middle rift episode on Anaga. A curved tensile fault simulates the curved rift zone, uniform dislocation is 1 m. (A) Surface displacement vectors show that movement focused on the northern flank that is encircled by the rift zone. Dike intrusion along such a curved rift zone will thus promote flank creep. (B) Volumetric dilatation caused by 1-m horizontal widening of a curved rift zone. Dislocation models were calculated for a horizontal plane at 2 km depth, i.e. approximately at sea level. Positive strain (red color) matches the region where the third rift arm oriented NNW-SSE (160°) developed on Anaga. Negative volumetric dilatation is found elsewhere, strongest in the northern sector. Virtually complete absence of the NNW-SSE dike trend in the northern sector is due to the compressive field to the north of the curved rift.

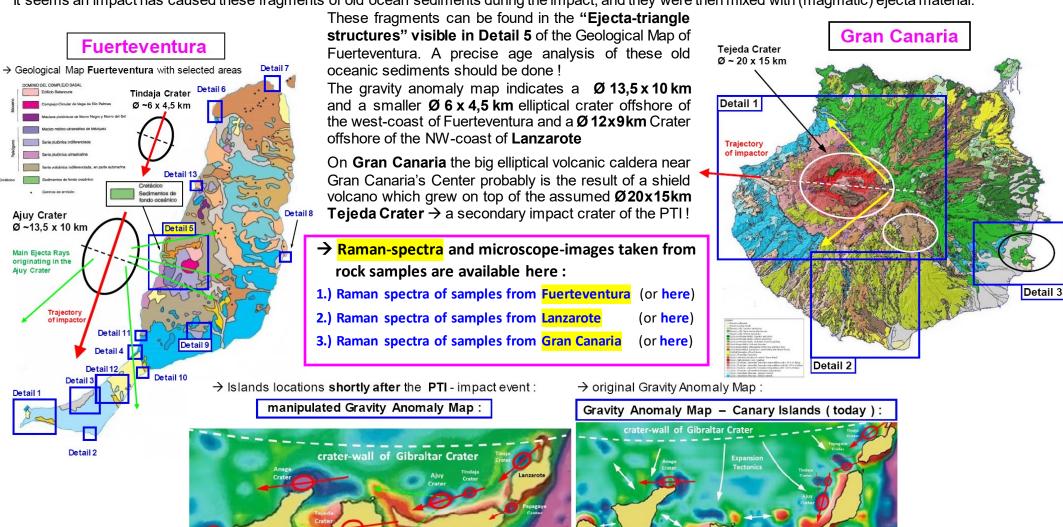
feldspar minerals



12-B.) The Ø 13,5 x 10 km "Ajuy Crater" on Fuerteventura

12-C.) The Ø 20 x 15 km "Tejeda Crater" on Gran Canaria

The Gravity Anomaly Map of the Canarian Islands indicates a large scale Impact Event. This impact event probably was the result of Ejecta from the PTI (Permian Triassic Impact) which impacted in this area and caused the Ø 430 x 290 km Gibraltar Crater (GIC). (see explanation on page 28 of Part 2 of my PTI-hypothesis). The smaller oblique (ellipitical) impact craters indicated on the Gravity Anomaly map offshore of the Islands Teneriffa, Fuerteventura and Lanzarote belong to this impact event and are located along the hypothetical crater-wall (-rim) of the GIC. On the canary island "Fuerteventura" old oceanic sediments with an age of ≈ 200 Ma can be found as fragments embedded in magmatic material near the village Ajuy, on the west-coast of Fuerteventura. It seems an impact has caused these fragments of old ocean sediments during the impact, and they were then mixed with (magmatic) ejecta material.



► Photos Sample Sites & Rock Samples FUERT.: "Ajuy Crater" (or: here)

→ Interesting sites: 35-A, 45-A, 45-B, 45-C, 48-C, 56-A, 56-B & 21-A

The above mentioned sites may indicate an impact event as cause of the hotspot which is responsible for the formation of Fuerteventura. Old oceanic sediments

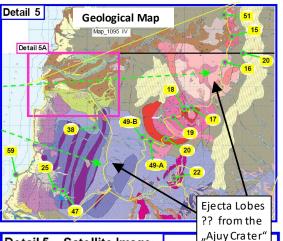
(older than >100 myr) which are embedded as fragments in magmatic rocks may be indication of an Impact Event around the PT-boundary.

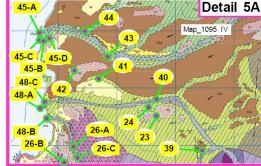
Detail 5 — Satellite Image
The red-marked areas represent ejecta lobes from the Ajuy Crater



small rock island







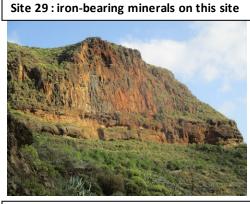




- ► Sample Sites & Rock Samples GRAN C.: "Tejeda Crater" (or: here)
- → some interesting sites: 14, 20 & 25, 28, 29, 32, 33 and 34-B
 Interesting sites are around the Ø20x15km elliptical "Tejeda Caldera", which
 I believe is the post-impact result of a PT-secondary impact that caused a
 hotspot and magma outflow here. Indication for an impact could be Magnetite
 minerals found on an "outflow tongue" on the frontend of the crater (site 33).

(blow-out) ejecta structures??

Site 33: tip of outflow-tongue from Crater iron-bearing minerals found: e.g. Magnetite!



Site 34-B (&32): breccia-rocks on the beach some iron-bearing minerals found (on site 32)



► Sample Sites on Tenerife: "Anaga Crater" (or here)

→ Interesting sites: 5, 7, 9, 10, 54, 57& 58

sample site 7: (view over Anaga Range)



Site 58: old (mesozoic ?) rock island inside the large Pico del Teide volcanic caldera!



Appendix 1: A short overview: The Raman bands (peaks) of Quartz shocked with 22-26 GPa

In order to verify a sample site as an impact site or impact structure, shock-metamorphic effects must be discovered in the rocks of the sample site. This can be done by different methods.

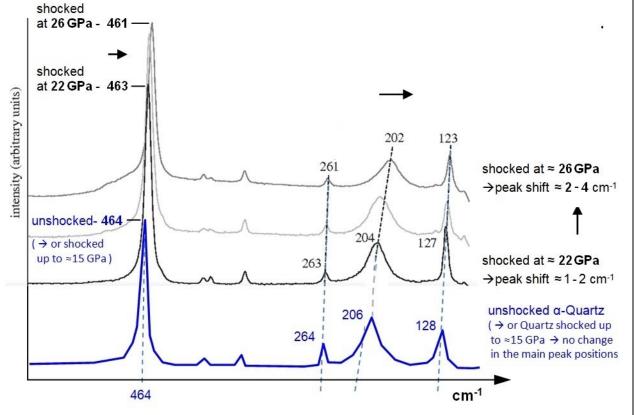
For example with the help of PDFs (planar deformation features) which are visible in the quartz with the help of a microscope. However this requires careful preparation of the samples and expertise.

Another, easier method, is the use of a RAMAN microscope.

Micro-RAMAN Spectroscopy on quartz grains in the samples can provide the first evidence for a shock event, that was caused by an impact.

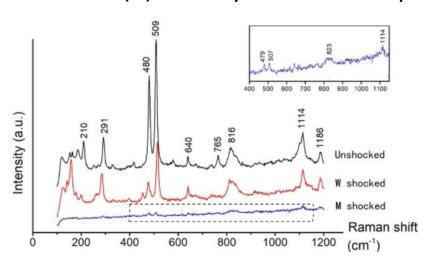
Mc Millan et al. (1992) and others have shown that the main RAMAN-peaks of Quartz shift towards lower frequencies if the Quartz was exposed the a shock-pressure > 15 GPa. → see diagram below

The shift of the main quartz RAMAN-peaks can be used to identify quartz that was shocked by an impact



Quartz shocked with 22 GPa and 26 GPA \rightarrow shows shifts of the main RAMAN-peaks of 1 - 4 cm⁻¹ towards lower frequencies, compared with unshocked Quartz

Appendix 2: Raman spectra of (W) weakly-shocked & (M) moderately-shocked Alkali-Feldspar



Weakly shocked alkali feldspar mainly developed irregular fractures and undulatory extinction.

Note that the Raman-lines 210 and 765 are missing in the w-shocked feldspar, and an additional line at \approx 150 appears.

The shock pressure for the w-shocked feldspar was estimated to be between 5 and 14 GPa

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Note: I will publish another Part of my Study soon! It describes how the LLSVPs, caused by the PTI, influence the "Climate change" → Find weblinks in Part 1 & 2 soon!

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