

Preservation of Palaeoproterozoic early Svecofennian structures in the Orijärvi area, SW Finland—Evidence for polyphase strain partitioning

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Abstract

The predominantly migmatitic Palaeoproterozoic Uusimaa belt preserves early lower-grade Svecofennian structures in the Orijärvi area in SW Finland. This study aims at explaining the deformational history responsible for its preservation and also at defining the age of the early Svecofennian deformation. Detailed structural analysis reveals that the preservation was enabled by polyphase strain partitioning, which initiated during the early Svecofennian D₂ deformation, ~1875 Ma ago, as revealed by ion microprobe U–Pb data on zircons from granodioritic and intermediate syn-D₂ intrusive dykes. The D₂ structures were low-strain upright folds at high crustal levels and sub-horizontal high-strain folds at deeper crustal levels. The sub-horizontal D₂ structures were refolded into upright folds during the subsequent late Svecofennian D₃ deformation, whereas the upright D₂ structures behaved as almost rigid blocks that caused strain partitioning into high-strain zones along the block margins. This accounts for the low cumulative strain in specific parts of the Orijärvi area. Further strain partitioning during D₄ caused reverse dip-slip movements along regional-scale shear zones. Crustal depth controlled the metamorphic grade during D₂, when local migmatitisation took place at deep crustal levels. Later metamorphic overprint during D₃ deformation is evident from post-D₂ growth of sillimanite and a second generation of andalusite.

Similarities in the structural patterns between the Orijärvi area and the Tampere-Vammala area (~100 km to the north) suggest that irrespective of the age of the later overprint, subsequent deformation was localised along the margins of the early formed upright domains, while the low-grade rocks within the domains were preserved.

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1. Introduction

The poly-deformed bedrock of southern Finland plays a key role in understanding the Palaeoproterozoic tectonic evolution of the Fennoscandian Shield. Within

the present study area, two major events deformed the crust during a period from ~1.89 to 1.81 Ga: The early Svecofennian event at ~1.89–1.86 Ga (Hopgood et al., 1983; Ehlers et al., 2004), and the late Svecofennian tectono-thermal event at ~1840–1815 Ma (Ehlers et al., 1993; Korsman et al., 1999; Levin et al., 2005; Mouri et al., 2005) when high heat flow and associated crustal melting effectively destroyed the older deformation structures. However, the early stages without migmatitisation, are well preserved in places such as the Orijärvi area within the Uusimaa belt (Fig. 1;

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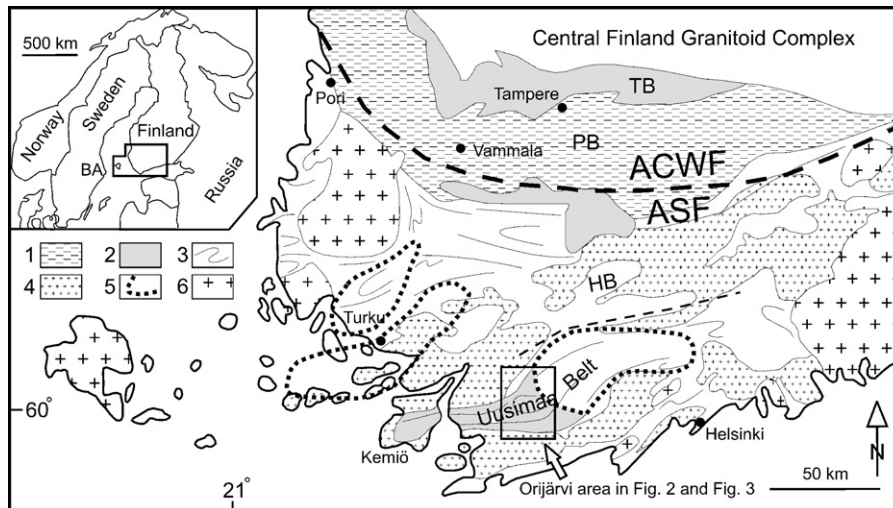


Fig. 1. Generalised geology of southern Finland after Korsman et al. (1997) and Väisänen and Hölttä (1999). Key: (1) tonalitic migmatites, (2) lower amphibolite facies schists, (3) granitic migmatites and other upper amphibolite facies gneisses, (4) late Svecofennian granites ca 1.85–1.81 Ga, (5) granulites, (6) Rapakivi granites (Mesoproterozoic); ACWF = Arc Complex of Central and Western Finland, ASF = Arc Complex of Southern Finland, TB = Tampere belt, PB = Pirkanmaa belt, HB = Häme belt, BA = Bergslagen area (inset). The suture line separating the ACWF and ASF by Lahtinen (1996).

Ploegsma and Westra, 1990; Stel et al., 1999; Väisänen and Mänttari, 2002; Skyttä et al., 2005), also known as the classical area of metamorphic facies studies by Eskola (1914, 1915). Localised preservation of the early Svecofennian structures led to an interest in studying the contrasting tectonic evolution within the well-preserved parts of the Orijärvi area and within the predominantly migmatitic surroundings. Recognition of the different structural domains is particularly important as the two main tectonic events, the early Svecofennian D₁–D₂ and the late Svecofennian D₃–D₄, share approximately the same geometrical properties in many places. The mutual geometrical relationships of the domains are used to provide some tectonic constraints on the preservation of the early structures and regional kinematics of the deformations. These will then be applied in correlating the specific well-preserved, low-strain parts of the Orijärvi area in a wider regional context. Two regional-scale shear zones, the Kisko shear zone and the Jyly shear zone (Fig. 2), have a major significance on the structural evolution of the study area as they separate the early, lower grade and the migmatitic domains. In addition, characteristics of the early tectonic events will be further specified. Another main aim of this investigation was to determine the age of the early Svecofennian deformation within the preserved area. The methods of this study include structural and lithological field mapping, structures in thin sections, and ion microprobe dating of two samples by U–Pb system on zircons.

2. Geological setting

The Fennoscandian tectonic evolution during the Palaeoproterozoic has earlier been attributed to semi-continuous, protracted Svecofennian orogenesis (Gorbatshev and Bogdanova, 1993). The recent model by Lahtinen et al. (2005), however, includes five separate orogens between 1.92–1.79 Ga; the orogenic evolution was divided into microcontinent accretion stage (1.92–1.87 Ga), continental extension stage (1.86–1.84 Ga), continent-continent collision stage (1.84–1.79 Ga) and orogenic collapse and stabilisation stage (1.79–1.77 Ga). The Uusimaa and Häme belts of the Arc Complex of Southern Finland experienced early Svecofennian event at ~1.89–1.87 Ga (Fennian orogeny by Lahtinen et al. (2005)), related to N–S collision (Väisänen et al., 2002; Ehlers et al., 2004) towards the Arc Complex of Central and Western Finland (Korsman et al., 1997). A suture zone separates the Arc Complexes (Fig. 1; Lahtinen, 1996). The collision also involved the Bergslagen area rocks (Lahtinen et al., 2005), which may be correlated with the Uusimaa belt (Allen et al., 1996; Nironen, 1997). The early Svecofennian event was locally associated with partial melting in southern Finland (Hopgood et al., 1983).

Subsequent tectonic evolution involved crustal extension at ~1.86–1.84 Ga (Lahtinen et al., 2005), as revealed by metadiabase dykes cross-cutting early Svecofennian deformation structures (Ehlers et al., 2004),

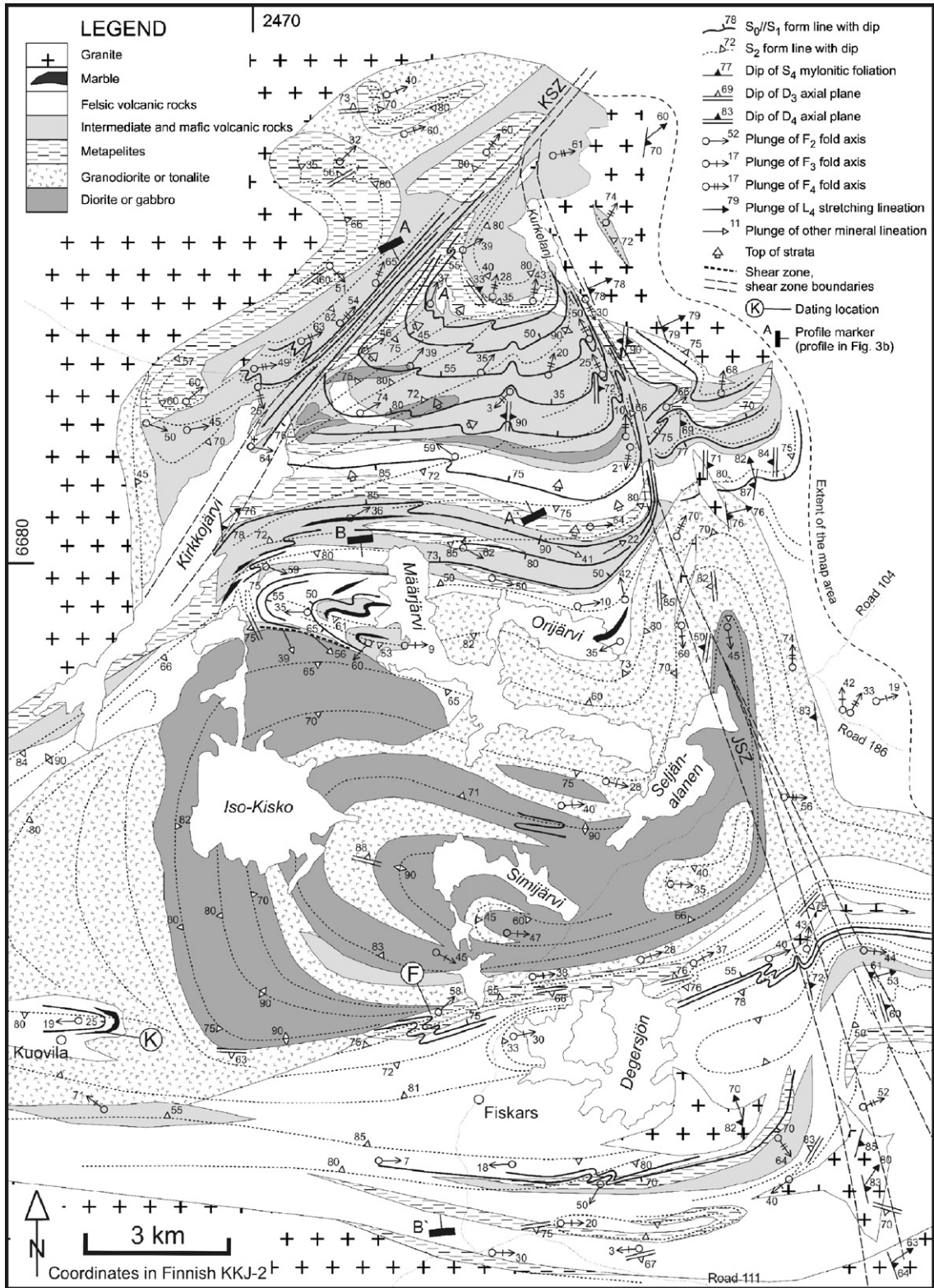


Fig. 2. Geological map of the study area. KSZ=Kisko shear zone, JSZ=Jyly shear zone; dating locations: K=Kuovila, F=Fiskars. Lakes: A=Ahdistonjärvi.

intra-continental sedimentary basin formation (Bergman et al., 2006; Nironen and Lahtinen, 2006) and seismic data (Korja and Heikkinen, 2005). Lahtinen et al. (2005) considered this crustal extension responsible for the heat source for the crustal melting to produce the late Svecofennian granites and migmatites at ~ 1.84 – 1.80 Ga (Huhma, 1986; Suominen, 1991; Korsman et al., 1999; Väisänen et al., 2000; Jurvanen et al., 2005; Kurhila et al., 2005; Mouri et al., 2005). Crustal melting was synchronous with a new period of crustal shortening (Väisänen et al., 2002) during a continent-continent collision (the Svecobaltic orogen by Lahtinen et al. (2005)), i.e. the late Svecofennian event (Ehlers et al., 1993), as used in this paper. Metamorphism during the late Svecofennian event was of high-temperature, low-pressure type and it locally reached granulite facies (Schreurs and Westra, 1986; Korsman et al., 1999).

The age of volcanism in southern Finland ranges between 1.90–1.88 Ga (e.g. Patchett and Kouvo, 1986; Vaasjoki, 1994; Reinikainen, 2001; Skyttä et al., 2005). Väisänen and Mänttari (2002) dated progressive volcanic activity in the Orijärvi area starting at 1895 ± 2.4 Ma at the base of the stratigraphy and continuing until 1878 ± 3.4 Ma at higher stratigraphic levels. The Uusimaa belt has been interpreted either as a palaeo-island arc (e.g. Hietanen, 1975; Latvalahti, 1979; Gaál, 1990; Ploegsma and Westra, 1990), back-arc basin (e.g. Colley and Westra, 1987; Nironen, 1997) or intra-continental, or continental margin back-arc, extensional region developed on older continental crust (Weihed et al., 2005). The early Svecofennian intrusive phases within the Uusimaa belt include 1.90–1.88 Ga tonalitic-gabbroic suites (Huhma, 1986; Patchett and Kouvo, 1986), which are considered subvolcanic rocks (Väisänen et al., 2002; Ehlers et al., 2004).

The early Svecofennian deformation in the Uusimaa belt resulted in recumbent folds related to thrusting (Van Staal and Williams, 1983; Schreurs and Westra, 1986; Bleeker and Westra, 1987; Ehlers et al., 1993); thrusting towards ESE–SSE was interpreted in the Orijärvi area (Ploegsma and Westra, 1990), whereas the early folds in the western part of the Uusimaa belt, in the Kemiö area, are overturned towards west and northwest (Ehlers et al., 1993; Lindroos and Ehlers, 1994). Axial-planar faults associated with early folds have been found locally (Van Staal and Williams, 1983). The late Svecofennian events transposed the early structures predominantly into upright, east–northeast trending folds. They were associated with thrusting towards northwest and with dextral shearing along east–west trending sub-vertical strike-slip zones, thus defining an overall zone of dextral transposition with approximately SE–NW compression in the

late Svecofennian granite–migmatite zone (Ehlers et al., 1993; Lindroos et al., 1996). The strike-slip zones and other sub-vertical shear zones were formed due to deformation partitioning during the late Svecofennian stages (Nironen, 1999; Väisänen and Hölttä, 1999; Torvela and Annersten, 2005). Ploegsma and Westra (1990) suggested that the early structures within the Orijärvi area were preserved due to strain partitioning along the anatectic migmatites that started simultaneously with the late Svecofennian migmatitisation.

3. Structural data

In our mapping of the Orijärvi area (Fig. 2), we placed particular emphasis upon the development of fabrics, degrees of migmatitisation and the presence or absence of late Svecofennian granites or pegmatites. Based on the relative age of deformation, the area was further divided into seven geographical sub-areas (Fig. 3) representing three different structural domains. These include: (a) D_2 -dominated areas without migmatitisation (Kuovila and Orijärvi), (b) D_2 -dominated areas with D_3 overprint (Fiskars and Iso-Kisko), and (c) D_4 -dominated areas, either directly defined by shear zones (Kisko and Jyly shear zones), or by D_4 -transposed structures related to the shear zones (Toija). The area on the eastern side of the Jyly shear zone displays characteristic structures of the late Svecofennian granite–migmatite zone where D_3 folding, associated with crustal melting, has deformed the sub-horizontal S_2 planes into an upright position. Fig. 3 illustrates the sub-area division, stereographic projections of the dominant structural elements in each sub-area and two cross-sections across the study area. The early Svecofennian D_2 and the late Svecofennian D_3 deformations were both prograde metamorphic, while D_4 was retrograde.

3.1. Kuovila sub-area

The Kuovila sub-area consists of bimodal volcanic rocks, volcanoclastic conglomerates, banded iron formations, marbles and granodioritic–dioritic–gabbroic intrusives. Primary sedimentary and volcanic structures are well preserved in the area. The main structural feature of the Kuovila sub-area is an upright D_2 synform with an axial-planar main fabric (S_2 ; Skyttä et al., 2005). F_2 folds deform the bedding planes (S_0) and the weak, localised, bedding-parallel S_1 foliation, and have curvilinear F_2 fold axes, which spread from WSW to ENE. The supracrustal rocks were not migmatitised and no pegmatite dykes are found to intrude the supracrustal rocks. Granodioritic dykes, axial-planar to F_2 folds and con-

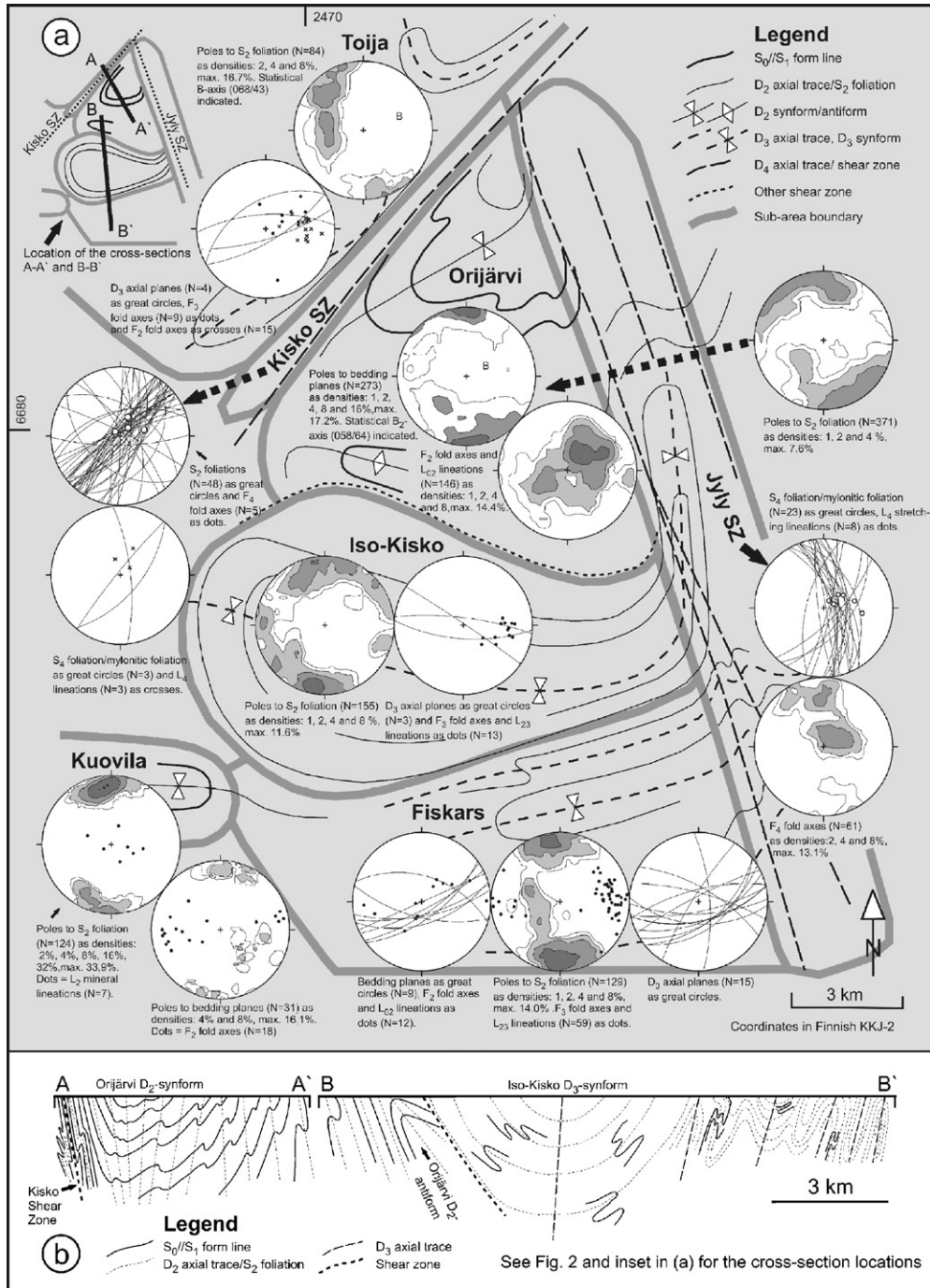


Fig. 3. (a) Sub-area division and related stereographic projections (lower hemisphere, equal-area) showing the main structures within each sub-area. Inset: locations of the cross-sections in (b). Fold axes and the related intersection lineations are merged in the projections from the Fiskars and Orijärvi sub-areas due to their sub-parallelism. (b) Cross-sections A–A' and B–B', see inset in (a) and Fig. 2 for the location of cross-sections. The presented data is based on a total number of over 2900 structural measurements from over 1500 localities.

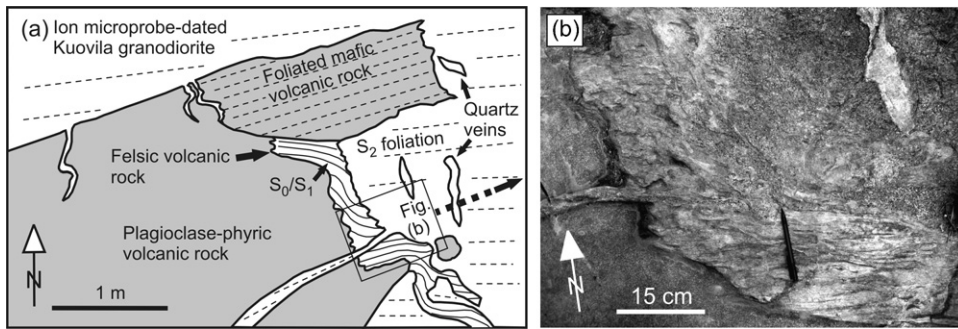


Fig. 4. (a) Line drawing and (b) outcrop photograph illustrating the structural setting of the ion microprobe-dated Kuovila granodiorite, which intruded syntectonically with respect to D_2 deformation.

taining S_2 are found at the F_2 fold hinges (Fig. 4). Therefore, we interpret the granodiorite as syntectonic with respect to D_2 . Ion microprobe U–Pb dating results of the granodiorite are presented in Section 4.

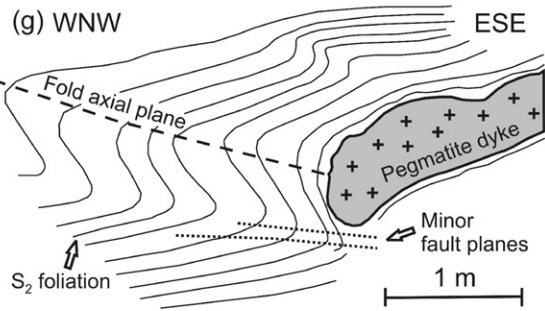
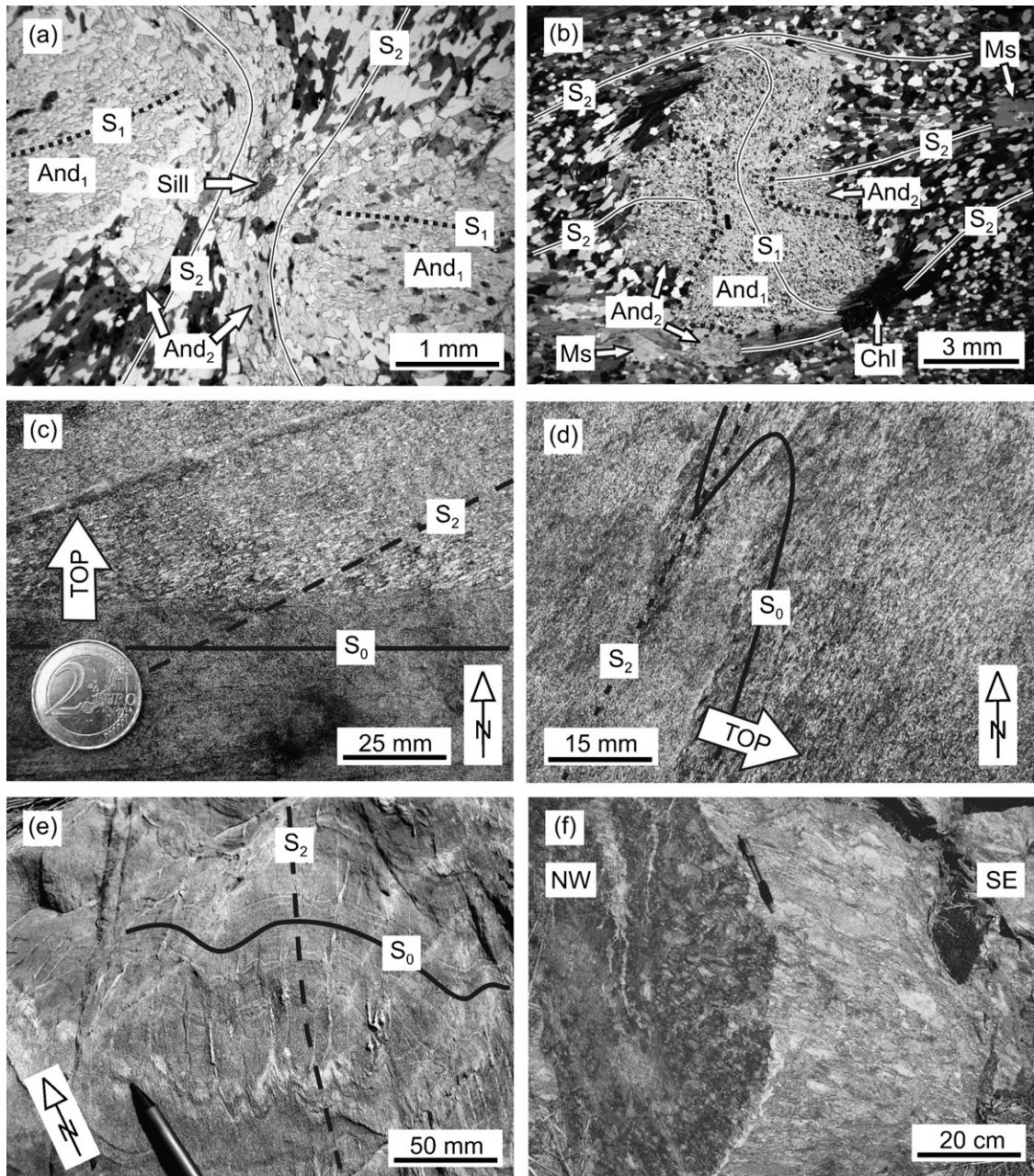
3.2. Orijärvi sub-area

Well-preserved volcanic and sedimentary primary structures (bedding, graded bedding, load casts, laminar beds, pillow lavas, concretions) are common within the Orijärvi sub-area. The rocks include volcanic and sedimentary rocks, mafic and felsic dykes, and granodiorites, tonalites and gabbros. D_1 structures have not been found, but S_1 foliation, sub-parallel to S_0 , occurs in the mica-rich metasediments and may be related to thrusting during D_1 (Skyttä et al., 2005). The D_2 -folded supracrustal rocks in the northern part of the area define an upright, gently NE-plunging D_2 synform (Orijärvi synform), whereas the southern part of the area forms a steeply south-dipping, west-plunging D_2 antiform (Orijärvi antiform). Metre-scale open to tight F_2 folds deform the bedding planes and the generally weakly developed S_1 foliations, and are associated with penetrative axial-planar S_2 foliation, the main foliation in the Orijärvi sub-area. A moderately south-dipping high-strain zone with SE-plunging mineral lineations is

located along the southern contact of the Orijärvi sub-area and therefore separates the D_2 -dominated areas in the north from the D_3 -affected areas in the south. The movement sense along the high-strain zone is not known, but the lower-grade rocks to the north, and the orientation of the lineations suggest reverse dextral oblique shearing.

Metapelitic layers along the Orijärvi synform contain abundant andalusite and cordierite porphyroblasts and some fibrolitic sillimanites. Andalusites (And) are present as at least two generations and they commonly contain inclusion trails of matrix foliations: (1) The first generation (And_1) grew during D_2 , as revealed by slightly curved S_1 inclusion trails within the blasts (Fig. 5a, on the southern limb of the Orijärvi synform). (2) The second generation (And_2) overgrew S_2 foliation, mainly on the mica-rich D_2 strain-caps at the edges of And_1 . Late- D_2 to post- D_2 growth is evident, as S_2 foliation shows no deflection at the contacts of And_2 (Fig. 5a). A similar succession may be observed along the NW limb of the Orijärvi synform, where the S_1 foliation traces within And_1 are folded, and the straight S_2 foliation traces are at right angles to S_1 (Fig. 5b). Cordierite overgrew S_2 foliation and fibrolitic sillimanite replaced andalusite at the grain margins, e.g. along the contacts between two And_2 grains (Fig. 5a). Chlorite and muscovite grew both post-tectonic with respect

Fig. 5. Detailed structures in the Orijärvi sub-area. (a) The first generation of andalusite porphyroblasts grew syn- D_2 (And_1), while the second generation of andalusites (And_2) grew over S_2 foliation, indicated by straight S_2 foliation showing no deflection at the And_2 contacts. Sillimanite replaces And_2 grains at the margins between two And_2 grains. Photomicrograph, plane-polarised light. Southern limb of the Orijärvi D_2 synform. (b) Folded inclusion trails of S_1 in the central part of the andalusite porphyroblast (And_1) and straight S_2 inclusion trails at the margins (And_2). Photomicrograph, cross-polarised light. NW limb of the Orijärvi D_2 synform, SW of lake Ahdistonjärvi. (c) Graded bedding indicating top of the strata towards north and NE-vergent S_2 foliation cross-cutting the bedding planes. Southern limb of the Orijärvi D_2 synform. (d) Graded bedding indicating top of the strata towards ESE. The bedding planes show sinistral F_2 folds with axial-planar S_2 foliation. Along the NW limb of the Orijärvi D_2 synform, near lake Ahdistonjärvi. (e) Open D_2 folding of the bedding with subvertical axial planar S_2 foliation in the hinge of the Orijärvi D_2 synform, SW of lake Ahdistonjärvi. Oblique section. (f) Deformed conglomerate with sub-elliptical markers. YZ -plane on the left and XZ -plane on the right. (g) Line drawing of a west-vergent F_3 or F_4 fold deforming S_2 foliation planes. The pegmatite dyke likely intruded during D_3 or D_4 . Vertical section.



to D_2 and syntectonic with the later stages of progressive deformation (D_4) in the shear zones. We conclude that lower amphibolite facies metamorphic conditions within the andalusite stability field across the Orijärvi D_2 synform–antiform pair were prevailing during D_2 (this study; Eskola, 1914) and the sillimanite stability field conditions were prevailing during D_3 . D_3 did not involve partial melting in the Orijärvi sub-area. The peak temperature has been estimated at 600 °C (Schumacher and Czank, 1987; Schneiderman and Tracy, 1991).

Stratigraphic facing directions determined from graded metagraywackes consistently indicate younging towards north along the southern limb of the Orijärvi synform (Fig. 5c), towards NE in the hinge of the synform and towards east on the western limb of the synform (Fig. 5d), thus defining the structure as a NE-facing D_2 syncline. For clarity, we refer to this structure as a D_2 synform. Further evidence for the large-scale F_2 fold within the Orijärvi sub-area is evident as the S_2 foliation vergences are opposite on the southern and western limbs (Figs. 2, 5c and d) and S_2 occurs at right angles to the gently dipping S_0 in the hinge of the fold (Fig. 5e). Parasitic F_2 folds of decimetre- to metre-scale are mainly found along the southern limb of the synform, whereas the Kisko shear zone largely cuts the western limb, partly removing the lithological marker horizons such as graded metagraywacke, conglomerate and metapelite along the synform. Stratigraphic facing directions could not be measured on the southern limb of the Orijärvi antiform.

Constrictional deformation took place along the southern limb of the Orijärvi synform, defined by prolate fragment shapes within deformed conglomerate (Fig. 5f). Other locations along the southern limb of the synform with less strained conglomerate indicate strain localisation into specific horizons.

The post- D_2 deformation structures within the Orijärvi synform are mainly rare dextral asymmetric F_3 drag-folds with sub-vertical axes. On the southern limb of the Orijärvi antiform, S_2 is deformed into open north-vergent asymmetric F_3 folds. The D_3 and D_4 structures become more abundant towards the Kisko and Jyly shear zones. Ductile shear bands and apparent sinistral rotation of the older structures into the shear zones are found when approaching both the Jyly and Kisko shear zones.

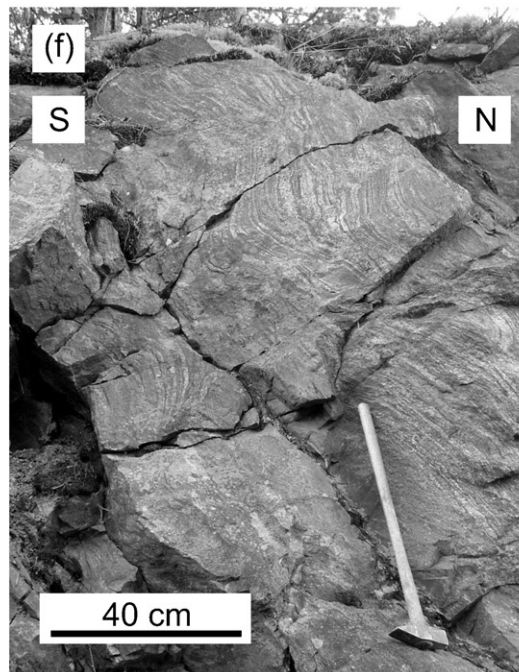
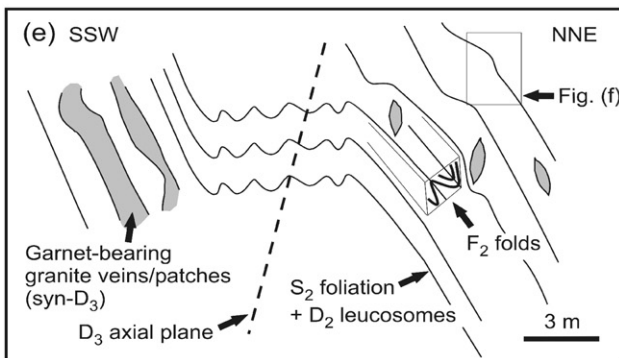
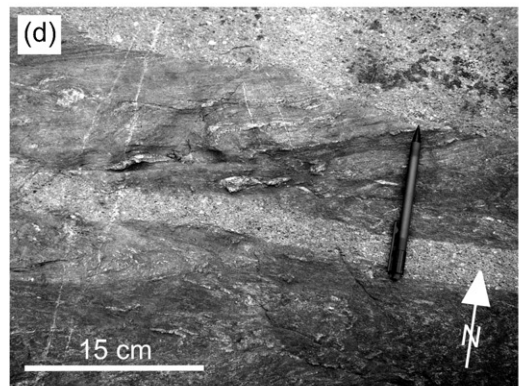
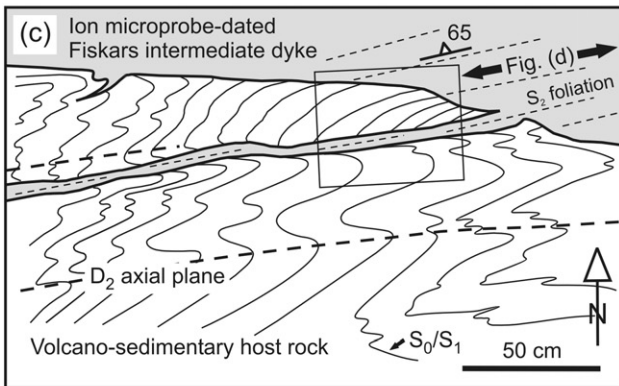
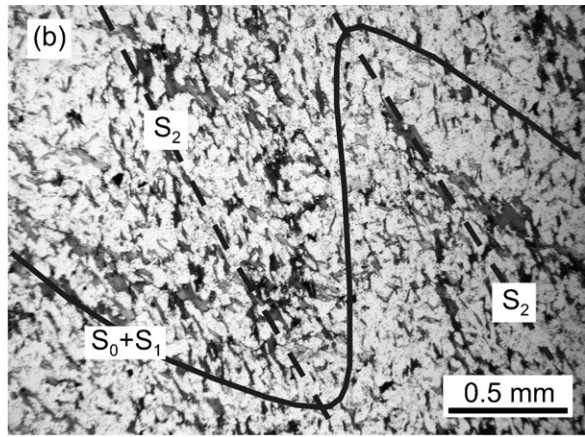
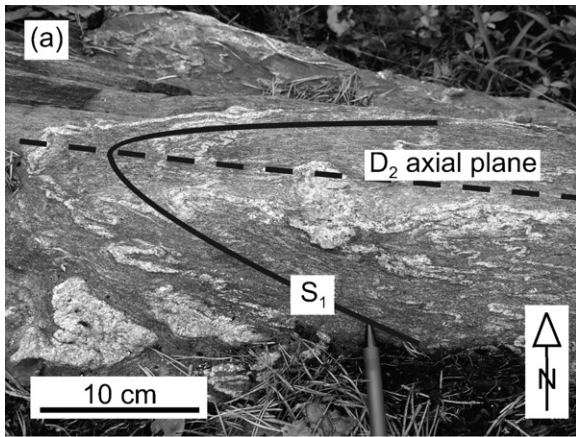
At the northernmost part of the Orijärvi synform, east of lake Ahdistonjärvi, overturned west-vergent F_3 or F_4 folds, associated with pegmatite dykes filling the fold hinges, deform the S_2 planes (Fig. 5g). S_2 planes are strongly curved also on the map scale in the northern apex of the Orijärvi triangle, i.e. in the vicinity of the intersecting shear zones (Fig. 2).

3.3. Fiskars sub-area

The Fiskars sub-area in the southern part of the study area consists mainly of felsic volcanic-sedimentary rocks intercalated with intermediate to mafic volcanic layers and few metapelitic layers. The metapelites display thin quartz-rich leucosome veins. The supracrustal rocks were intruded by intermediate dykes and later by granitic dykes. The earliest folds are tight to isoclinal F_2 folds, which presently have steep axial planes. F_2 fold axes plunge moderately to steeply towards ENE and SW. The mainly S_1 -parallel quartz-rich leucosomes were folded together with intense S_1 foliation, but in places they occur along D_2 axial planes (Fig. 6a). This indicates that migmatitisation started during D_1 or early D_2 and continued during D_2 . In contrast to the metapelitic rocks, the main fabric of the quartz-feldspar rich rocks is S_2 , while the bedding planes and the weaker layer-parallel S_1 were folded (Fig. 6b).

Dykes on intermediate compositions have intruded the supracrustal rocks along F_2 axial planes (Fig. 6c and d). These dykes exhibit penetrative foliation parallel to S_2 in the supracrustal rocks and therefore indicate syn- D_2 origin for the dykes. One such dyke has been dated with ion microprobe by U–Pb system on zircons and the results will be presented in Section 4. Upright F_3 folds with gently plunging fold axes refold the previous structures and are associated with patchy granitic leucosomes and axial-planar pegmatite dykes, indicating that peak metamorphic conditions prevailed during D_3 (Fig. 6e and f). D_3 axial surfaces generally trend east–west, but towards east they show apparent counter-clockwise rotation towards parallelism with the Jyly shear zone. Intensity of the D_3 folding increases towards the contact of the late Svecofennian granite-dominated area in the south. Sub-horizontal S_2 foliation planes are observed in the SE part of the area and at least in one locality they comprise

Fig. 6. Detailed structures in the Fiskars and Iso-Kisko sub-areas. (a) Tight to isoclinal F_2 folds associated with syn- D_1 or early D_2 layer-parallel (on the left) and syn- D_2 or late- D_2 axial-planar (under the text box in the centre) quartz-rich leucosomes. Note the intense S_1 foliation, while S_2 was only locally developed in the F_2 hinges. (b) Low-strain F_2 folds with axial-planar main foliation, S_2 . Photomicrograph, plane-polarised light. (c) Line drawing and (d) outcrop photograph illustrating the structural setting of the ion microprobe-dated Fiskars intermediate syn- D_2 dyke. (e) Line drawing and (f) outcrop photograph of open F_3 folding associated with syntectonic patchy granitic leucosomes. Note the intrafolial F_2 folds in (e).



a conform granite with a gently dipping foliation. Few occurrences of boudinaged S_2 foliations, associated with ptygmatically folded granitic leucosome veins, indicate apparent vertical shortening in the areas where the S_2 foliation is sub-horizontal.

3.4. Iso-Kisko sub-area

The Iso-Kisko sub-area consists of plutonic rocks with compositions ranging from tonalite to gabbro. Väisänen et al. (2002) consider that these ~1.90 Ga rocks are magma chambers to the volcanic rocks in the area. The main structure is a kilometre-scale tight F_3 fold that deforms and folds the main foliation (S_2) visible in the plutonic rocks. K-feldspar rich pegmatite dykes, axial-planar to F_3 folds occur in the F_3 fold hinge. Relics of F_2 folds, associated with axial-planar S_2 foliations, deforming the compositional layering (S_0/S_1) are locally found. The plutonic rocks define a doubly plunging synform with vertical to steep S_2 foliations in the western hinge of the F_3 fold, moderately east-dipping S_2 towards east, and SW-dipping S_2 in the eastern part of the synform. The Jyly shear zone in the east later reoriented the originally east–westerly F_3 synform. The reorientation produced the basin, which is a D_3/D_4 interference structure.

3.5. Jyly and Kisko shear zone sub-areas

D_4 strain was partitioned into two ductile high-strain zones, the Jyly shear zone (JSZ) and the Kisko shear zone (KSZ). The JSZ trends NNW–SSE as an at least 50 km long high-strain zone across the Uusimaa belt and separates the syn- D_3 migmatites in the east and the predominantly well-preserved, non-migmatitic rocks in the west. The NNE-trending KSZ truncates the JSZ along the NW limb of the Orijärvi D_2 synform. Both shear zones express strain partitioning into less-intense retrograde F_4 -folded areas at the margins and into more intense mylonitic zones in the core of the shear zones. Both the folding and the mylonitisation deformed the pegmatites, which are absent in the early Svecofennian deformations, thus constraining the relative timing of shear zone deformation as syn- D_3 or post- D_3 . The absence of good outcrop-scale F_3/F_4 interference patterns combined with map-scale refolding of the D_3 axial surfaces along the shear zones (Fig. 2) favours post- D_3 age for the deformation. Therefore, all the folds in the KSZ and JSZ sub-areas are here treated as D_4 structures (see discussion e.g. in Carreras et al. (2005)). Brittle overprint on the ductile D_4 deformation as well as hydrothermal alteration associated with shearing are locally observed especially within the KSZ.

The JSZ sub-area consists of several parallel steeply ENE-dipping ductile D_4 shear zones, which have steep east-plunging stretching lineations and show reverse east-block-up movements, recorded by asymmetric kinematic indicators (σ - and δ -clasts, secondary oblique foliations of recrystallised quartz grains, mica fish, shear bands, cf. Passchier and Trouw, 1996) in mylonitic pegmatites (Fig. 7a) both in the field and in microscopic-scale. Shear strain across the mylonite zones is heterogeneously distributed, recorded by a range of suites from protomylonites to well-developed ultramylonites. Opposite relative movement senses have been observed locally. Low-temperature overprint and cataclastic faults most probably indicate later reactivation of the shear zone as shown by the Rb–Sr age of 1533 ± 23 Ma on ultramylonites along the northern continuation of the KSZ (Ploegsma, 1989).

Retrograde F_4 folds occur both at the margins and between the parallel mylonite zones. F_4 fold axes are generally highly curvilinear. Depending on the D_4 strain intensity and the mineral composition of the host rock, retrograde S_4 foliation is either the main foliation of the rocks within the JSZ, such as with the F_2 -folded, non-migmatitic, mica-poor felsic volcanic rocks, whereas S_4 has not developed in the mica-rich rocks. The majority of the F_4 folds are upright and show apparent left-lateral deflection of the pre-existing structures into the shear zone. Some F_4 folds within the Orijärvi synform are overturned towards west, as described in Section 3.2.

Mylonites deforming the late Svecofennian pegmatites within the KSZ sub-area show east-side-up movements. Stretching lineations and the axes of the KSZ-related folds are sub-parallel, but generally steeper than the F_2 fold axes within the Orijärvi sub-area. Kink/chevron style folds that deformed S_2 foliation planes are common on the western margin of the KSZ. The associated structures include fractures, faults (Fig. 7b) and spaced S_4 foliations. These indicate that deformation post-dates the metamorphic peak. Most D_4 faults indicate apparent left-lateral movement on horizontal surfaces, as also do the rarely observed decametre-scale ductile S/C shear bands.

3.6. Toija sub-area

The Toija sub-area consists of migmatised metapelites and picritic and basaltic lavas with pillow structures. In the southern part of the sub-area F_2 fold axes plunge to the east but towards north they are rotated towards parallelism with the linear fabrics within the KSZ. The pillow lavas occurring in the hinge zone of a large-scale F_3 fold indicate local

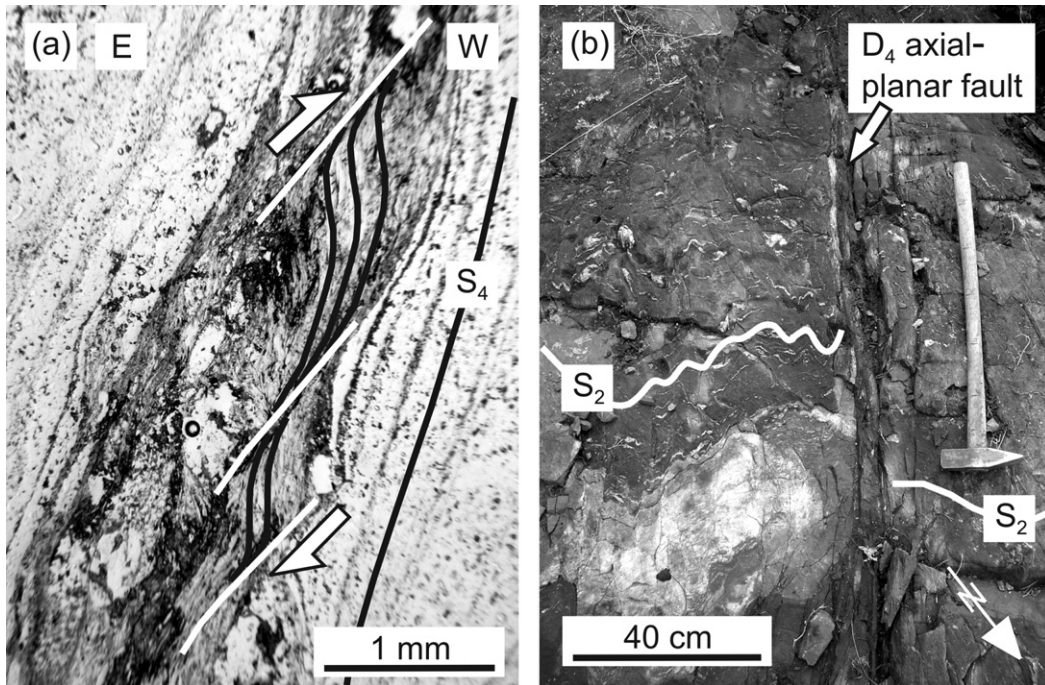


Fig. 7. Detailed structures in the Jyly and Kisko shear zone sub-areas. (a) A micaceous domain within a mylonitised pegmatite in the Jyly shear zone displaying C'-type shear bands. East-block-up shear sense. Photomicrograph, plane-polarised light. Vertical section. (b) D₄ axial-planar faults in the margin of the Kisko shear zone.

pre-D₂ or syn-D₂ flattening, revealed by high-strain zones parallel to S₂ foliation planes that are at right angles both to the D₃ axial surfaces and to the KSZ. Restoring of the primary geometry of the Toija sub-area is hampered by multiple deformations along the KSZ, thus making regional correlation of the structural succession difficult. The main deformation was, however, syntectonic with the migmatitisation, and may thus be correlated with D₃ in the other parts of the study area.

4. Age of D₂ deformation

In order to date the early deformation, two rock samples were taken for zircon ion microprobe U–Pb dating. Both the Kuovila granodiorite sample and the Fiskars intermediate dyke sample are syntectonic with respect to D₂ folding, as described in Sections 3.1 and 3.3.

4.1. Analytical methods

The selected zircons for the ion microprobe U–Pb dating were mounted in epoxy, polished and coated with gold. The ion microprobe U–Pb analyses were made using the Nordic SIMS (NordSIM) Cameca IMS 1270 instrument at the Swedish Museum of Natural History,

Stockholm, Sweden. The spot-diameter for the 9 nA primary O₂[−] ion beam was ~25 μm. Oxygen flooding in the sample chamber was used to increase the production of Pb⁺ ions. Three counting blocks, each including four cycles of the Zr, Pb, Th, and U species of interest were measured from each spot. The mass resolution ($M/\Delta M$) was 5400 (10%). The raw data were calibrated against a zircon standard (91 500; Wiedenbeck et al., 1995) and corrected for modern common lead ($T=0$; Stacey and Kramers, 1975). For the detailed analytical procedure see Whitehouse et al. (1997, 1999). Plotting of the U–Pb isotopic data and the age calculations were done using the Isoplot/Ex 3 program (Ludwig, 2003). The data-point error ellipses in the concordia diagrams are 2 sigma. All errors in age results are 2 sigma errors with decay constant errors ignored.

4.2. Kuovila granodiorite (n1806)

The Kuovila granodiorite sample yielded a large amount of mainly brown, prismatic, translucent to transparent magmatic zircon. The population looks quite homogeneous when ignoring a few pale-coloured, long prismatic, and transparent zircons. In the BSE (back scattered electron) images, the zircons show either very weak zoning or are internally rather homogeneous (Fig. 8). The

Table 1
Zircon ion microprobe U–Pb isotopic data for Kuovila granodiorite and Fiskars intermediate dyke

Sample/spot#	Internal structure of dated zircon domain	Derived ages (Ma)						Corrected ratios						r^a	Disc. (%) ^b	[U] (ppm)	[Th] (ppm)	[Pb] (ppm)	f_{206} (%) ^c	Th/U calc.	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²⁰⁴ Pb measured
		²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²⁰⁶ Pb	$\pm\sigma$	²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²³⁵ U	$\pm\sigma$	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U	$\pm\sigma$	²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²⁰⁶ Pb	$\pm\sigma$ (%)	²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²³⁵ U	$\pm\sigma$ (%)	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U	$\pm\sigma$ (%)								
Kuovila granodiorite (n1806)																					
n1806—01a	Weakly zoned	1875	5	1869	11	1864	21	0.1147	0.3	5.301	1.3	0.3353	1.3	0.98	809	302	332	{0.00}	0.37	4.26E+05	
n1806—02a	Quite homogeneous	1859	6	1849	12	1840	21	0.1137	0.3	5.181	1.3	0.3304	1.3	0.97	564	139	221	0.25	0.24	7.43E+03	
n1806—03a	Weakly zoned	1880	5	1874	12	1868	21	0.1150	0.3	5.330	1.3	0.3361	1.3	0.97	663	218	270	0.01	0.33	1.95E+05	
n1806—04a	Weakly zoned	1868	6	1865	12	1862	21	0.1142	0.3	5.275	1.4	0.3349	1.3	0.97	346	145	143	0.06	0.41	3.14E+04	
n1806—05a	Weakly zoned	1881	4	1889	12	1897	22	0.1151	0.2	5.429	1.3	0.3422	1.3	0.98	988	393	415	0.01	0.40	2.90E+05	
n1806—07a	Zoned	1880	5	1887	12	1894	22	0.1150	0.3	5.415	1.3	0.3416	1.3	0.98	700	175	284	{0.00}	0.25	3.86E+05	
n1806—08a	Zoned	1868	4	1902	11	1933	22	0.1142	0.2	5.506	1.3	0.3496	1.3	0.99	781	168	321	{0.00}	0.22	4.33E+05	
n1806—09a	Zoned inner domain	1871	6	1961	12	2048	23	0.1144	0.3	5.899	1.4	0.3739	1.3	0.97	486	90	212	0.62	0.20	3.01E+03	
n1806—09b	Homogeneous rim domain	1874	3	1889	11	1902	22	0.1146	0.2	5.424	1.3	0.3431	1.3	0.99	1498	250	597	0.07	0.17	2.64E+04	
n1806—10a	Weakly zoned	1878	5	1876	11	1875	21	0.1149	0.3	5.347	1.3	0.3375	1.3	0.98	626	140	249	0.02	0.23	1.21E+05	
n1806—12a	Quite homogeneous, long	1876	5	1857	12	1840	21	0.1148	0.3	5.227	1.3	0.3304	1.3	0.97	652	155	256	0.51	0.25	3.69E+03	
n1806—13a	Zoned, long	1880	5	1882	11	1884	21	0.1150	0.3	5.383	1.3	0.3395	1.3	0.98	955	452	405	0.03	0.47	6.15E+04	
n1806—14a	Zoned, long	1877	5	1882	12	1887	21	0.1148	0.3	5.384	1.3	0.3400	1.3	0.98	666	234	276	0.14	0.36	1.29E+04	
n1806—15a	Zoned, long	1884	13	1884	13	1884	22	0.1153	0.8	5.396	1.5	0.3395	1.3	0.87	935	394	394	0.54	0.44	3.47E+03	
n1806—16a	Homogeneous inner domain	1883	10	1769	12	1673	19	0.1152	0.5	4.708	1.4	0.2964	1.3	0.93	−9.3	1460	565	517	1.89	0.24	9.92E+02
n1806—17a	Quite homogeneous	1874	7	1832	12	1795	21	0.1146	0.4	5.075	1.4	0.3212	1.3	0.96	−1.7	484	151	186	0.81	0.26	2.31E+03
n1806—18a	Zoned	1888	16	1893	14	1899	22	0.1155	0.9	5.455	1.6	0.3425	1.3	0.82	611	218	254	1.7	0.33	1.10E+03	
n1806—19a	Quite homogeneous, long	1873	7	1829	12	1791	21	0.1145	0.4	5.060	1.4	0.3204	1.3	0.96	−2.0	365	82	138	0.19	0.21	9.68E+03
n1806—20a	Quite homogeneous, long	1889	5	1903	12	1916	22	0.1156	0.3	5.514	1.3	0.3461	1.3	0.98	777	337	333	0.01	0.43	2.11E+05	
Fiskars intermediate dyke (n1807)																					
n1807—01a	Zoned	1895	8	1883	12	1873	22	0.1160	0.4	5.390	1.4	0.3371	1.3	0.95	259	106	108	0.16	0.41	1.18E+04	
n1807—02a	Zoned	1870	6	1885	12	1898	22	0.1144	0.4	5.399	1.4	0.3424	1.3	0.96	628	397	279	0.01	0.64	1.32E+05	
n1807—03a	Zoned	1891	9	1861	12	1834	21	0.1157	0.5	5.249	1.4	0.3291	1.3	0.93	351	106	140	0.32	0.32	5.85E+03	
n1807—04a	Zoned	1878	6	1856	12	1837	21	0.1149	0.3	5.221	1.3	0.3296	1.3	0.97	456	159	183	0.02	0.35	9.07E+04	
n1807—05a	Zoned core (altered and homogenised rim domain)	1872	5	1867	12	1863	21	0.1145	0.3	5.290	1.3	0.3350	1.3	0.97	505	192	207	0.09	0.39	2.19E+04	
n1807—06a	Zoned	1871	7	1888	12	1903	22	0.1145	0.4	5.421	1.4	0.3435	1.3	0.96	360	112	149	0.07	0.32	2.73E+04	
n1807—07a	Zoned	1880	5	1868	11	1858	21	0.1150	0.3	5.297	1.3	0.3341	1.3	0.98	534	348	231	0.01	0.61	1.43E+05	
n1807—08a	Zoned	1879	6	1875	12	1872	21	0.1149	0.3	5.341	1.4	0.3370	1.3	0.97	517	291	222	0.24	0.55	7.93E+03	
n1807—09a	Zoned	1848	8	1868	12	1887	21	0.1130	0.4	5.296	1.4	0.3400	1.3	0.95	344	112	140	0.4	0.31	4.73E+03	
n1807—10a	Homogenised core	1875	3	1904	11	1931	22	0.1147	0.1	5.524	1.3	0.3492	1.3	0.99	0.6	3497	4271	1781	0	1.23	4.48E+05
n1807—11a	Homogenised core	1878	3	1890	11	1901	22	0.1149	0.2	5.433	1.3	0.3431	1.3	0.99	2048	1871	968	0	0.93	4.64E+05	

Table 1 (Continued)

Sample/spot#	Internal structure of dated zircon domain	Derived ages (Ma)						Corrected ratios													
		$^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$	$\pm\sigma$	$^{207}\text{Pb}/^{235}\text{U}$	$\pm\sigma$	$^{206}\text{Pb}/^{238}\text{U}$	$\pm\sigma$	$^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$	$\pm\sigma$ (%)	$^{207}\text{Pb}/^{235}\text{U}$	$\pm\sigma$ (%)	$^{206}\text{Pb}/^{238}\text{U}$	$\pm\sigma$ (%)	r^a	Disc. (%) ^b	[U] (ppm)	[Th] (ppm)	[Pb] (ppm)	f_{206} (%) ^c	Th/U calc.	$^{206}\text{Pb}/^{204}\text{Pb}$ measured
n1807—12a	Zoned	1877	8	1863	12	1852	21	0.1148	0.5	5.267	1.4	0.3327	1.3	0.95		237	68	94	0.32	0.28	5.79E+03
n1807—13a	Zoned	1864	7	1873	12	1881	21	0.1140	0.4	5.325	1.4	0.3388	1.3	0.96		382	106	154	0.06	0.27	3.14E+04
n1807—14a	Zoned	1878	7	1882	12	1885	22	0.1149	0.4	5.380	1.4	0.3396	1.3	0.96		291	85	118	{0.01}	0.29	1.30E+05
n1807—15a	Zoned	1888	7	1849	12	1814	21	0.1155	0.4	5.176	1.4	0.3250	1.3	0.96	−1.5	353	102	137	0.26	0.27	7.26E+03
n1807—16a	Zoned, long	1878	7	1870	12	1864	21	0.1149	0.4	5.308	1.4	0.3352	1.3	0.96		294	107	120	0.09	0.36	2.00E+04
n1807—17a	Zoned, long	1886	11	1876	13	1867	22	0.1154	0.6	5.345	1.5	0.3359	1.3	0.91		130	33	52	{0.00}	0.24	4.11E+05
n1807—18a	Zoned	1891	7	1827	12	1771	20	0.1157	0.4	5.043	1.4	0.3161	1.3	0.96	−4.2	336	143	132	0.31	0.39	6.05E+03
n1807—19a	Zoned, pale outer domain	1888	9	1846	12	1809	21	0.1155	0.5	5.159	1.4	0.3239	1.3	0.94	−1.4	202	68	79	0.28	0.31	6.74E+03
n1807—20a	Darker inner domain	1903	12	1853	13	1809	21	0.1165	0.7	5.205	1.5	0.3240	1.3	0.89	−1.6	146	41	57	0.89	0.26	2.10E+03
n1807—21a	Zoned	1892	10	1836	12	1786	21	0.1158	0.5	5.097	1.4	0.3193	1.3	0.92	−2.9	346	116	134	0.34	0.32	5.46E+03
n1807—22a	Zoned	1882	7	1861	12	1841	21	0.1152	0.4	5.249	1.4	0.3306	1.3	0.96		344	113	137	0.28	0.31	6.65E+03
n1807—23a	Zoned	1869	8	1871	12	1873	21	0.1143	0.5	5.316	1.4	0.3372	1.3	0.95		409	180	171	0.14	0.43	1.38E+04
n1807—24a	Zoned	1877	9	1874	12	1872	21	0.1148	0.5	5.332	1.4	0.3369	1.3	0.94		259	71	104	0.15	0.27	1.25E+04
n1807—25a	Zoned	1883	6	1887	12	1892	22	0.1152	0.3	5.417	1.4	0.3411	1.3	0.97		367	107	150	0.05	0.29	3.52E+04

All errors are in 1 sigma level.

^a Error correlation in conventional concordia space.

^b Age discordance at closest approach of error ellipse to concordia (2 σ level).

^c Percentage of common ^{206}Pb in measured ^{206}Pb , calculated from the ^{204}Pb signal assuming a present-day Stacey and Kramers (1975) model terrestrial Pb-isotope composition. Numbers in parentheses are given when no correction has been applied.

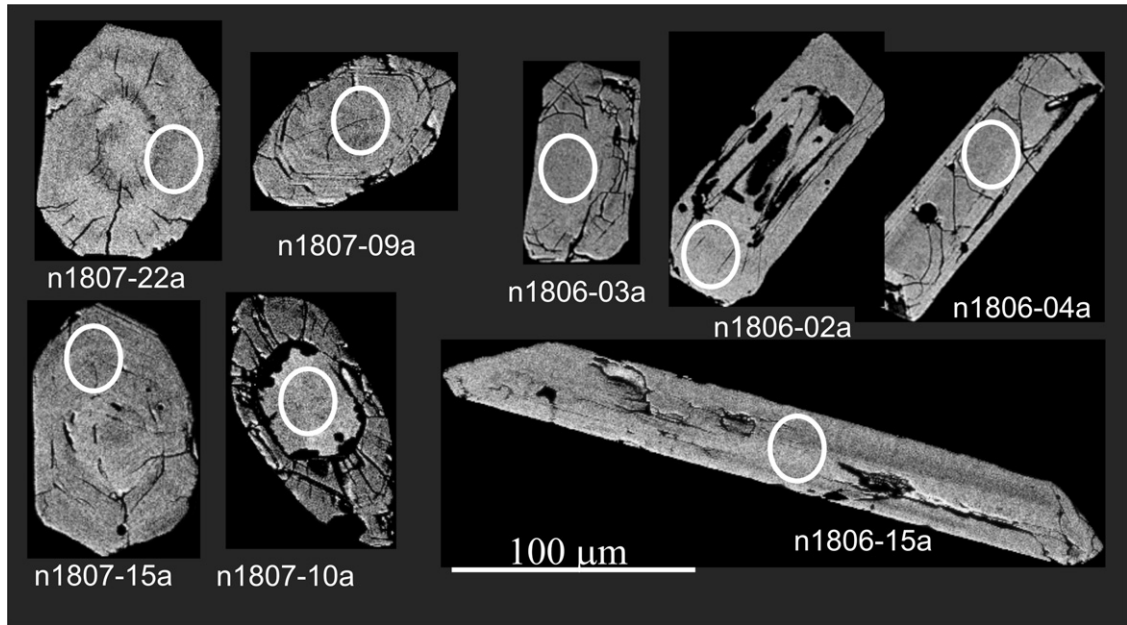


Fig. 8. Selected zircon BSE images. Dated zircon domains (ellipses) and corresponding analysis numbers are indicated (*n1807*: Fiskars intermediate dyke; *n1806*: Kuovila granodiorite).

zircons are generally very fractured and quite commonly have inclusions.

A total of 22 zircon domains were dated using ion microprobe (Table 1). Three analyses were rejected due to high common lead contents. The Th/U ratio varies only in small range; high U was measured from a structurally homogeneous rim and a homogeneous centre domain (Table 1, 9b and 16a). On a concordia diagram (Fig. 9), all the data irrespective of the analysed zircon type or domain plot in a cluster. A few analyses show minor discordance. The concordant analyses determine an age of 1877 ± 3 Ma ($n = 14/19$) for the Kuovila

granodiorite and, therefore, give an age for the D₂ deformation in the Kuovila sub-area.

4.3. Fiskars intermediate dyke (*n1807*)

The Fiskars intermediate dyke sample yielded a very small amount of mostly stubby, pale brown, and transparent to translucent zircon. A few longer prismatic, paler, and more turbid crystals were found. In the BSE images (Fig. 8) the zircons principally show magmatic zoning. Two grains have structurally homogeneous cores (Fig. 8, 10a) with high U concentrations. However, the

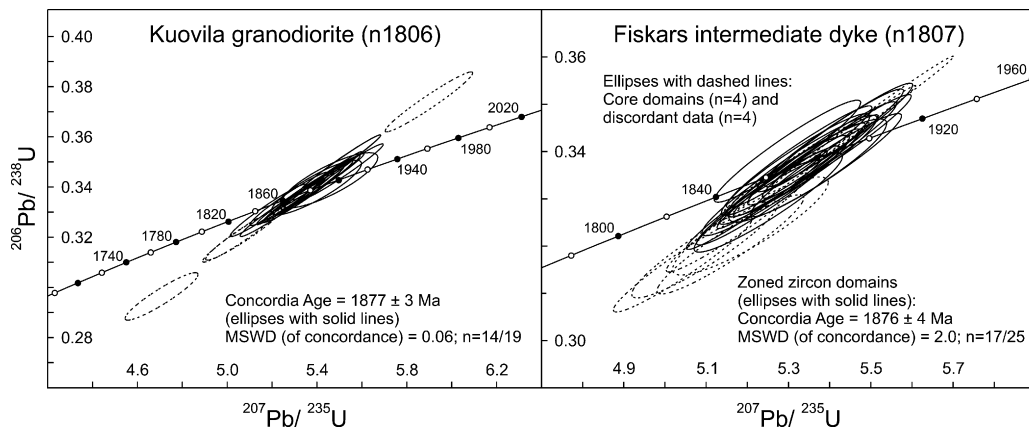


Fig. 9. Concordia diagrams showing zircon U–Pb isotopic data for the Kuovila granodiorite (*n1806*) and the Fiskars intermediate dyke (*n1807*).

rims around the cores were too thin or fractured for any decent U–Pb analysis (Fig. 8). Furthermore, one zircon (Table 1, 05a) with zoned core and structurally homogeneous, altered rim was found.

A total of 25 zircon domains from the sample were dated (Table 1). The data are mostly concordant and the range in Th/U is small when the two analyses from homogenised core domains are excluded. On a concordia diagram (Fig. 9), all the U–Pb isotopic data plot in a tight cluster. The concordant data from zoned zircon domains apparently determines an age of 1876 ± 4 Ma ($n = 17/25$) for the dyke. The data from core domains plot on that same cluster. In the Fiskars sub-area, the intermediate dyke determines an age of 1876 ± 4 Ma for the D₂ deformation.

5. Discussion

5.1. Deformation mechanisms

The observed strain patterns set constraints for the deformation mechanisms, which caused the preservation of the early structures. These constraints further provide information on the tectonic regime during the

deformations. The lower cumulative strain in the Orijärvi sub-area relative to the intensely D₂- and D₃-folded area to the east, results from polyphase strain partitioning that initiated during D₂ and continued during D₃ and D₄. The D₂ structures were originally upright in the Orijärvi sub-area, which becomes evident as the metamorphic mineral growth during D₂ shows no variations across the Orijärvi synform–antiform structure (this study; Eskola, 1914). Pressures deviating from the estimated 3–5 kbar (Schreurs and Westra, 1986) across the fold structure with a wavelength of ~10 km would be expected if the D₂ synform–antiform pair originally was a recumbent fold, presently D₃-refolded into an upright position. In contrast to the upright D₂ in the Orijärvi sub-area, D₂ structures in the Iso-Kisko and Fiskars sub-areas were sub-horizontal as revealed by the sub-horizontal S₂ enveloping surface.

The upright D₂ structure in the Orijärvi sub-area therefore represents an anomalous orientation within the generally sub-horizontal early Svecofennian thrust tectonic regime within the Uusimaa belt (Van Staal and Williams, 1983; Ehlers et al., 1993). We think that this anomalous orientation resulted when D₂ strain was partitioned as a function of crustal depth; sub-horizontal high-

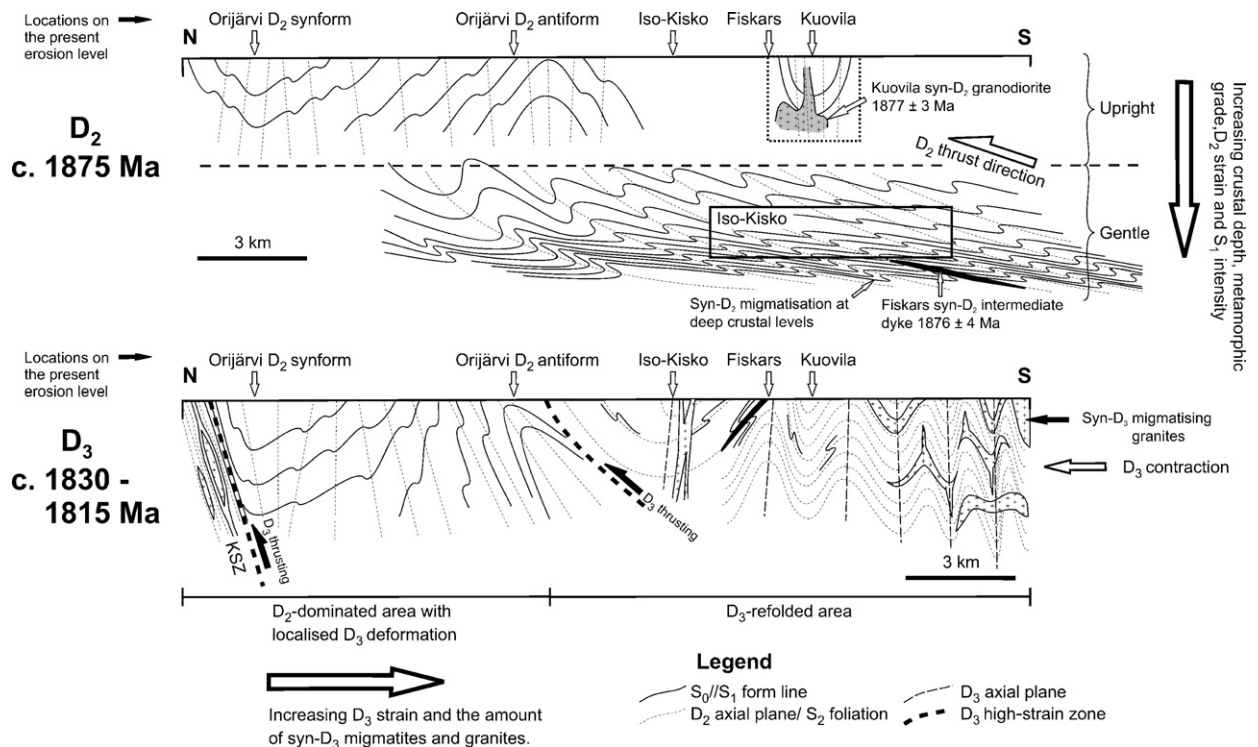


Fig. 10. Geometry of the deformation structures across the preserved domain after D₂ and D₃ deformations. The shown locations along the present erosion level illustrate how D₃ deformation displaced the D₂ structures into their present positions. Kuovila sub-area omitted for clarity in the lower part of the figure.

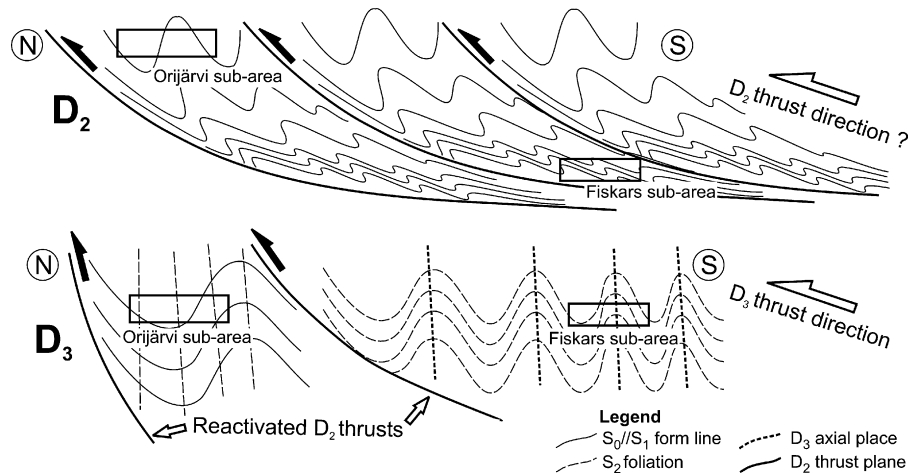


Fig. 11. Schematic model to explain the deformation mechanisms during D₂ and D₃ in the study area.

strain structures were formed at depth (the Fiskars and Iso-Kisko sub-areas) whereas upright low-strain structures were formed at higher crustal levels (the Orijärvi sub-area; Fig. 10). This may be explained by two mechanisms: (1) Continuous thrusting where continued contraction and detachment in the upper plate above the sheared base led to progressive steepening of the F₂ folds (Fig. 11). (2) Shearing along a sub-horizontal shear zone at deep crustal levels whilst the upper crust experienced contractional folding. The first alternative is supported by the observed D₂ thrust in the Kemiö area (Fig. 1; Van Staal and Williams, 1983) and the commonly observed progressive changes of the fold axial surface orientations in thrust tectonic environments (e.g. Ramsay and Huber, 1987, pp. 377–378). Therefore, the first mechanism is more likely considered responsible for the strain patterns during D₂.

Structures in the Kuovila sub-area are similar to the Orijärvi sub-area and these two sub-areas are therefore considered to represent similar crustal depths as also interpreted by Skyttä et al. (2005). The correlation of increasing D₂ strain, metamorphic grade during D₂, and the intensity of S₁ fabric with increasing crustal depth (Fig. 10) is similar to what was observed in the Tampere-Vammala area to the north of the present study area (Fig. 1; Kilpeläinen, 1998). The Fiskars sub-area apparently shows the deepest and the Orijärvi and Kuovila sub-areas the shallowest crustal depths in the area during D₂. Besides the crustal depth, the migmatitisation during D₂ in the Fiskars area was possibly partly induced by a contact-metamorphic effect of the ~1875 Ma magmatism as presented in this paper.

Strain partitioning during D₃ was controlled by the geometry of the D₂ structures, therefore accounting for

the low cumulative strain in the Orijärvi sub-area; the areas with gently dipping D₂ structures were refolded into upright F₃ folds, but the already upright Orijärvi sub-area acted as an almost rigid block resulting in strain partitioning into D₃ high-strain zones on the block margins. This is suggested to initiate the Kisko shear zone deformation and D₃ thrusting along the contact of the Iso-Kisko and Orijärvi sub-areas (Fig. 10). These both probably were D₂ thrust/detachment planes that were reactivated during D₃. Within the D₃-refolded areas, the D₃ strain intensity increases laterally to the south, as does the amount of syn-D₃ migmatites, granites and pegmatites. This is at least partly due to the block movements during D₄, which brought up the deeper crust in the south. The variation of S₂ dips in the western part of the Iso-Kisko sub-area indicates that doming, similar to that reported elsewhere in the Uusimaa belt (Härme, 1954; Bleeker and Westra, 1987), took place in the present study area during D₃.

Syn-D₃ migmatitisation (Fig. 10) is widely present in the Fiskars sub-area rocks, whereas the Iso-Kisko sub-area only contains some axial-planar pegmatite dykes. The expression of metamorphism during D₃ in the Orijärvi sub-area is the growth of And₂ over the S₂ foliation, and possibly also the Sill, which replaces And₂ grains at the margins. The generally sluggish polymorphic transition of andalusite to sillimanite (e.g. Pattison, 1992; Cesare et al., 2002) was, therefore probably catalysed by strain during D₃. Partial melting conditions were not met in the Orijärvi sub-area. It is principally possible that the And₂ and sillimanite porphyroblasts grew during the late stages of D₂. This is, however, inconsistent with the 1798 ± 3 Ma titanite age from the Orijärvi synform (Väisänen and Mänttari, 2002), which proba-

bly indicates prolonged cooling after the high heat flow at ~1840–1815 Ma. The peak-metamorphic monazite age from a non-migmatitic rock in the Kemiö area at 1824 ± 5 Ma (Levin et al., 2005) also supports strong late Svecofennian thermal overprint in the Orijärvi area. Therefore, the Orijärvi sub-area was largely preserved from the D₃ deformation but did, however, experience a new stage of metamorphic mineral growth during D₃.

D₄ deformation was predominantly retrograde and localised into distinct shear zones, which define separate crustal domains: the preserved domain between the Kisko and Jyly shear zones and the late Svecofennian migmatitic domain outside the shear zones. The close association of the pegmatite dykes with folding in the Jyly and Kisko shear zones is consistent with the at least some shear zone deformation during or soon after the late Svecofennian peak-metamorphic conditions, and progressive evolution during D₄, as also indicated by the previous studies (Ploegsma, 1989; Ploegsma and Westra, 1990). The regional structural evolution nevertheless implies that the shear zones likely initiated already during D₂ or D₃ as discussed above, but direct evidence for this is lacking. D₄ and the following brittle reactivation along the Kisko and Jyly shear zones juxtaposed the neighbouring crustal blocks into their present position.

5.2. Deformation kinematics

The F₂ folds most probably resulted from SSE–NNW oriented D₂ contraction, which is supported by the steeply NE- and SW-plunging F₂ fold axes in the Fiskars area, which therefore indicate D₃ refolding of sub-horizontal, NE–ENE and SW–WSW striking F₂ fold axes. Similar D₂/D₃ interference is also evident in the Kemiö area: F₂ fold axes plunge moderately to steeply towards WSW on the southern limb of a large-scale east–west trending F₃ antiform (Verhoef and Dietvorst, 1980) and gently to moderately towards NE–ENE on the northern limb of the antiform (Levin et al., 2005). The regional pattern of the D₂/D₃ refolding would, therefore suggest that the NE–ENE trending D₂ structures in the Orijärvi D₂ synform would stand for the original orientation of the F₂ folding, and the E–W orientation elsewhere is a result of D₃ transposition. Ploegsma and Westra (1990) considered D₂ (D₁ in their study) to have an ESE to SSE vergence. However, the upright D₂ synform–antiform structure in the Orijärvi sub-area, which they did not recognize, is not consistent with such an interpretation. The present data does not allow us to make a reliable argument for the D₂ thrust direction, as the intensity of D₃ refolding in the southern part of the study area widely inhibits recognition of the location rel-

ative to the F₃ folds, i.e. on which limb the D₂ structure is located. However, the identified D₂ contraction direction is consistent with the observed D₂ vergences towards west and north in the Kemiö area (Ehlers et al., 1993). Therefore, we suggest that D₂ related to NNW-directed tectonic transport.

Recognition of the originally upright D₂ structures in the Orijärvi sub-area indicates that the constrictional strain is either related to layer-parallel slip during D₂ or to localised deformation during D₁; the latter was considered responsible for the constriction in the Kuovila area (Skyttä et al., 2005). A pre-D₂ origin for the constriction is also favoured by the suggested plutonic diapirism as a possible reason for the constriction (Stel et al., 1999), because plutonism in the Orijärvi area was syn-volcanic (Väisänen et al., 2002) and the later, syn-D₃ doming, such as in the Mustio (Härme, 1954; Bleeker and Westra, 1987) and in the Iso-Kisko areas, did not affect the Orijärvi sub-area.

The upright F₃ folds within and outside the preserved domain indicate approximately north–south compression during D₃, which also probably involved thrusting towards north, suggested by: (1) overturning of the Orijärvi antiform, (2) deeper crustal section presently exposed in the south (Fig. 10), and (3) orientation of the high-strain zone and the related mineral lineations along the contact of the Iso-Kisko and Orijärvi sub-areas. This is consistent with the models of transpressive deformation both in the Svecofennian of southern Finland (Ehlers et al., 1993; Lindroos et al., 1996) and central Sweden (Högdahl and Sjöström, 2001).

East-side-up movements during D₄ explain the change in metamorphic grade across the Jyly shear zone. This faulting was ultimately responsible for the preservation of the D₂ structures, as it juxtaposed the strongly migmatitic deeper crust on the eastern side and the preserved domain on the western side of the shear zone. Approximately east–west contraction, probably west-vergent thrusting, is consistent with the reverse dip-slip movements along the main shear zones, the Kisko and Jyly shear zones, and with the localised west-vergent thrust-folds in the northernmost part of the Orijärvi sub-area (Fig. 5g). Strong curving of the S₂ planes in the northernmost part of the sub-area may be caused by sub-vertical corner flow in the vicinity of the intersecting shear zones (see Mandal et al., 2002).

In conclusion, the two contractional main folding events, D₂ and D₃, were separated by ~45 Ma, and probably were related to thrusting towards N–NW. Thrusting is supported by field evidence (Ehlers et al., 1993; Väisänen and Hölttä, 1999) and particularly by seismic profiles that display subhorizontal stacking structures

in southwestern Finland (Korja and Heikkinen, 2005). D₂ and D₃ represent different episodes of deformation as suggested by Lahtinen et al. (2005), rather than one semi-continuous orogenic event (Gorbatshev and Bogdanova, 1993). The presence of the sub-horizontally foliated granite, boudinage of the main foliation and the related vertical shortening recorded by the folded leucosome veins in the Fiskars sub-area may be the expression of the suggested extensional event intermediate between D₂ and D₃, i.e. at ~1.86–1.84 Ga (see Lahtinen et al., 2005; Bergman et al., 2006; Nironen and Lahtinen, 2006). Also the recent datings of granites at ~1.85 Ga (Kurhila et al., 2005) likely indicate that some granitic magmatism pre-dates the main stage of the contractional late Svecofennian D₃ deformation and may, therefore, be syntectonic with the extension. D₄ followed soon after D₃, but there was a shift in the regional stress field from north–south into more east–westerly direction at least within this part of the Uusimaa belt, as shown by the predominant dip-slip nature of the Jyly shear zone. This is consistent with the dextral transpressive models by Ehlers et al. (1993) and Cagnard et al. (2006). In their model based on analogue experiments, Cagnard et al. (2006) assumed the homogeneous crust more or less in the same high metamorphic condition, which leads to ductile sub-horizontal flow without thrusting. The crust in southwestern Finland, however, is highly heterogeneous including granulite facies migmatitic areas, non-migmatitic volcanic areas and areas with predominantly plutonic rocks. In addition, as pointed out by Korja and Heikkinen (2005), exotic microcontinents might have been involved in the accretionary process. All combined, great contrast differences allow thrusting to take place, as documented by Korja and Heikkinen (2005).

5.3. Comparison between the Orijärvi and the Tampere-Vammala areas

Characteristic for the early evolution both in the Tampere-Vammala area (Nironen, 1989; Kilpeläinen, 1998) and the Orijärvi area is that the metamorphic grade is controlled by the crustal depth, and that the deeper parts have more intense early fabrics in comparison with the shallower parts. The deepest crustal depths were migmatized and sub-horizontally deformed either locally (Orijärvi) or in wider areas (Vammala). Both in the Orijärvi and Tampere-Vammala areas the competent volcanic formations only recorded upright folding with large wavelengths. Despite the similarities between the two areas, there is a major difference in that all the deformation in the Tampere-Vammala area was early Svecofennian while the Orijärvi area also experienced major

late Svecofennian overprinting. In summary, preservation of the low-grade rocks both in the Orijärvi and Tampere areas can be explained by the upright geometry of structures, which caused subsequent strain localisation on the margins of the upright domains (Fig. 12 in Nironen (1989); this study).

6. Conclusions

1. The early Svecofennian D₂ deformation within the Uusimaa belt took place ~1875 Ma ago.
2. Preservation of the early Svecofennian structures in the Orijärvi area resulted from polyphase strain partitioning. D₂ strain was partitioned as a function of crustal depth; sub-horizontal high-strain domains were formed at deep crustal levels and upright low-strain domains were formed at higher crustal levels. Also the metamorphic grade during D₂ correlated with crustal depth; local migmatization took place at the deepest crustal levels. The orientation of D₂ structures controlled the further strain partitioning during D₃; the areas with gentle D₂ structures were refolded into upright F₃ folds, whereas the areas with upright D₂ structures were acting as almost rigid blocks causing strain partitioning into high-strain zones along the block margins. This explains the preservation of the early Svecofennian structures in the Orijärvi area. D₄ deformation was localised into dip-slip shear zones causing crustal block movements, which juxtaposed the migmatitic and the preserved domains.
3. The similarities in the structural evolution in the Orijärvi and Tampere-Vammala areas indicate that the upright early Svecofennian structures in southern Finland caused pronounced strain partitioning during subsequent deformations.

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