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**2012 GORDON RESEARCH CONFERENCE
on ROCK DEFORMATION**

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The Gordon Research Conference on ROCK DEFORMATION was held at Proctor Academy Andover, New Hampshire, August 19-24, 2012. The Conference was well-attended with 124 participants (attendees list attached). The attendees represented the spectrum of endeavor in this field coming from academia, industry, and government laboratories, both U.S. and foreign scientists, senior researchers, young investigators, and students. Of the 124 attendees, 66 voluntarily responded to a general inquiry regarding ethnicity which appears on our registration forms. Of the 66 respondents, 8% were Minorities – 2% Hispanic, 6% Asian and 0% African American. Approximately 27% of the participants at the 2012 meeting were women.

In designing the formal speakers program, emphasis was placed on current unpublished research and discussion of the future target areas in this field. There was a conscious effort to stimulate lively discussion about the key issues in the field today. Time for formal presentations was limited in the interest of group discussions. In order that more scientists could communicate their most recent results, poster presentation time was scheduled. Attached is a copy of the formal schedule and speaker program and the poster program. In addition to these formal interactions, "free time" was scheduled to allow informal discussions. Such discussions are fostering new collaborations and joint efforts in the field.

Thank you for your support of this Conference. As you know, in the interest of promoting the presentation of unpublished and frontier-breaking research, Gordon Research Conferences does not permit publication of meeting proceedings. If you wish any further details, please feel free to contact me. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Peter Kelemen, Conference Chairperson
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

Rock Deformation
Feedback Processes in Rock Deformation
August 19-24, 2012
Proctor Academy
Andover, NH
Chair:
Peter Kelemen

Vice Chair:
Wenlu Zhu

Feedback processes are vitally important in controlling the rates and mechanisms of rock deformation. Positive feedbacks lead to accelerating rates, and commonly to spatial focusing. Localization and acceleration of creep is often associated with stress and/or strain rate dependent grain size reduction, frictional heating, or viscous shear heating. The presence of melt may help to localize and accelerate deformation, and in turn deformation may help to localize melt transport. Volume changes during retrograde metamorphic reactions may, under some circumstances, lead to fractures that maintain or increase permeability and reactive surface area, which in turn accelerates reaction rates. Hydraulic fracture often triggers a widening cascade of frictional failures on adjacent fracture systems. Feedbacks that form or reactivate closely-spaced fractures in the upper crust have relevance for, e.g., geological storage of CO₂, enhanced geothermal power systems, and shale gas extraction. Clustering of earthquakes involves feedbacks in stress distribution on different faults, or segments of fault zones, that focus deformation in both time and space. Negative feedbacks can modulate or prevent accelerating strain. Gravitational instabilities, such as "delamination", "relamination", and diapirism, are affected by both positive and negative feedbacks when material undergoes phase transformations driven by changing pressure and temperature. Changes in pore pressure due to metamorphic reactions and/or shear heating can modulate earthquake behavior. There is increasing understanding of the mechanisms that limit earthquake rupture zones, and cause slow slip rather than seismic events. Crystallization in pore space can randomize previously focused fluid flow, reduce permeability, and bring metamorphic reactions to a halt. All of these feedbacks are related in a rich interplay of geodynamic processes.

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SUNDAY

2:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Arrival and Check-in (Office Closed 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm)
6:00 pm	Dinner
7:30 pm - 7:40 pm	Welcome / Introductory Comments by GRC Site Staff
7:40 pm - 9:30 pm	Failure At High Confining Pressure I
7:40 pm - 7:50 pm	Discussion Leader: Peter Kelemen (Columbia University)
7:50 pm - 8:25 pm	Remarks by Discussion Leader Olga Sergienko (Princeton University) "Viscoelastic behavior of ice during stick/slip cycles"
8:25 pm - 8:40 pm	Discussion
8:40 pm - 9:15 pm	Erland Schulson (Dartmouth College) "Failure in ice at high confining pressure"
9:15 pm - 9:30 pm	Discussion

MONDAY

7:30 am - 8:30 am	Breakfast
9:00 am - 12:30 pm	Failure At High Confining Pressure II
	Discussion Leader: Jessica Warren (Stanford University)
9:00 am - 9:10 am	Remarks by Discussion Leader
9:10 am - 9:40 am	Peter Kelemen (Columbia University)
9:40 am - 9:50 am	Discussion
9:50 am - 10:20 am	Bruno Reynard (Lab. Science de la Terre, ENS Lyons) "Feed-back between metamorphic reactions, creep and seismicity in subduction zones"
10:20 am - 10:35 am	Discussion
10:35 am	Coffee Break
11:00 am - 11:30 am	Michel Bestmann (Inst. Geologie & Mineralogie, Erlangen) "Ultrafine-grained deformation microstructure of quartz in pseudotachylite-bearing faults"
11:30 am - 11:45 am	Discussion
11:45 am - 12:15 pm	Virginia Toy (Geology Dept., University of Otago) "Localized shear zones in peridotite massifs"
12:15 pm - 12:30 pm	Discussion
12:30 pm	Lunch
1:30 pm - 4:00 pm	Free Time
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm	<u>Poster Session I</u> Moderator: Wenlu Zhu (University of Maryland)
6:00 pm	Dinner
7:30 pm - 9:30 pm	Fluid-assisted Slip, Earthquakes & Fracture I

	Discussion Leader: Harry Green (UC Riverside)
7:30 pm - 7:40 pm	Remarks by Discussion Leader
7:40 pm - 8:15 pm	Nicholas Brantut (ENS Paris) "Dehydration reactions and slip instabilities in subduction zones"
8:15 pm - 8:35 pm	Discussion
8:35 pm - 9:10 pm	Nadia Lapusta (Caltech) "Shear heating-induced thermal pressurization during earthquakes"
9:10 pm - 9:30 pm	Discussion

TUESDAY

7:30 am - 8:30 am	Breakfast
8:30 am	Group Photo
9:00 am - 12:30 pm	Fluid-assisted Slip, Earthquakes & Fracture II
	Discussion Leader: Greg Hirth (Brown University)
9:00 am - 9:10 am	Remarks by Discussion Leader
9:10 am - 9:40 am	Leonid Germanovich (Georgia Tech) "Natural and induced hydraulic fracture"
9:40 am - 9:55 am	Discussion
9:55 am - 10:25 am	Nick Austin (Esso Canada) "Induced hydraulic fractures in low permeability hydrocarbon reservoirs"
10:25 am - 10:40 am	Discussion
10:40 am	Coffee Break
11:00 am - 11:30 am	François Renard (Université Joseph Fourier, Grenoble) "Fracturing and fracture sealing induced by mineral growth in porous rocks"
11:30 am - 11:45 am	Discussion
11:45 am - 12:15 pm	Scott Johnson & Senthil Vel (University of Maine) "Elastic response of polycrystalline materials to rapid thermal, fluid, and tectonic loads"
12:15 pm - 12:30 pm	Discussion
12:30 pm	Lunch
1:30 pm - 4:00 pm	Free Time
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm	<u>Poster Session I</u> Moderator: Wenlu Zhu (University of Maryland)
6:00 pm	Dinner
7:30 pm - 9:30 pm	Reaction-driven Cracking
	Discussion Leader: Peter Kelemen (Columbia University)
7:30 pm - 7:40 pm	Remarks by Discussion Leader
7:40 pm - 8:15 pm	Bjørn Jamtveit (University of Oslo)

	"Reaction-induced cracking"
8:15 pm - 8:35 pm	Discussion
8:35 pm - 9:10 pm	Ray Fletcher (PGP, Oslo) "Weathering and metamorphic replacement from the point of view of rock mechanics"
9:10 pm - 9:30 pm	Discussion

WEDNESDAY

7:30 am - 8:30 am	Breakfast
9:00 am - 12:30 pm	Fluid Transport, Deformation And Reaction Discussion Leader: Marc Spiegelman (Columbia University) Remarks by Discussion Leader Russell Detwiler (University of California, Irvine) "Deformation caused by mineral dissolution in fractures" Discussion Jan Ludvig Vinningland (International Research Inst. of Stavanger, Norway) "Reactive flow of brines in calcite pores using Lattice-Boltzmann"
9:00 am - 9:10 am	
9:10 am - 9:40 am	
9:40 am - 9:55 am	
9:55 am - 10:25 am	
10:25 am - 10:40 am	Discussion
10:40 am	Coffee Break
11:00 am - 11:30 am	Richard Katz (Oxford University) "Porosity bands in a deforming aggregate with anisotropic viscosity"
11:30 am - 11:45 am	Discussion
11:45 am - 12:15 pm	Laura Hebert (University of Maryland) "Melt permeability barriers at spreading centers"
12:15 pm - 12:30 pm	Discussion
12:30 pm	Lunch
1:30 pm - 4:00 pm	Free Time
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm	<u>Poster Session II</u> Moderator: Wenlu Zhu (University of Maryland)
6:00 pm	Dinner
7:00 pm - 7:30 pm	<u>Business Meeting</u> <i>Nominations for the next Vice Chair; Fill out Conference Evaluation Forms; Discuss future Site & Scheduling preferences; Election of the next Vice Chair</i>
7:30 pm - 9:30 pm	Localized Fluid Transport And Deformation Discussion Leader: Ben Holtzman (Columbia University)
7:30 pm - 7:40 pm	Remarks by Discussion Leader
7:40 pm - 8:15 pm	Erik Rybacki (GFZ Potsdam)

	"Deformation of plagioclase, with and without intergranular melt"
8:15 pm - 8:35 pm	Discussion
8:35 pm - 9:10 pm	Dave Kohlstedt (University of Minnesota) "Stress-driven melt segregation in a plagioclase matrix"
9:10 pm - 9:30 pm	Discussion

THURSDAY

7:30 am - 8:30 am	Breakfast
9:00 am - 12:30 pm	Earthquake Mechanisms Discussion Leader: Heather Savage (Columbia University)
9:00 am - 9:10 am	Remarks by Discussion Leader
9:10 am - 9:40 am	Tom Heaton (Caltech) "Strong, scale dependent, rate weakening friction"
9:40 am - 9:55 am	Discussion
9:55 am - 10:25 am	David Shelly (USGS Menlo Park) "Tremor activity on the lower crustal San Andreas fault"
10:25 am - 10:40 am	Discussion
10:40 am	Coffee Break
11:00 am - 11:30 am	Kelin Wang (Geological Survey of Canada) "Geodetic observations of subduction earthquake cycles"
11:30 am - 11:45 am	Discussion
11:45 am - 12:15 pm	Karen Mair (University of Oslo) "Fragmentation processes and strain localisation"
12:15 pm - 12:30 pm	Discussion
12:30 pm	Lunch
1:30 pm - 4:00 pm	Free Time
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Poster Session II Moderator: Wenlu Zhu (University of Maryland)
6:00 pm	Dinner
7:30 pm - 9:30 pm	Subduction Zone Dynamics And Crustal Growth Discussion Leader: Mark Behn (WHOI)
7:30 pm - 7:40 pm	Remarks by Discussion Leader
7:40 pm - 8:15 pm	Clare Warren (Open University) "Continental collision and exhumation of high pressure rocks"
8:15 pm - 8:35 pm	Discussion
8:35 pm - 9:10 pm	Gene Humphreys (University of Oregon) "Tectonic insight into mantle-lithosphere deformation processes"
9:10 pm - 9:30 pm	Discussion

FRIDAY

7:30 am - 8:30 am Breakfast

9:00 am Departure

Rock Deformation (2012)

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