LISTWAENITES IN TURKEY: PERSPECTIVES ON FORMATION AND PRECIOUS METAL CONCENTRATION WITH REFERENCE TO OCCURRENCES IN EAST-CENTRAL ANATOLIA

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ABSTRACT

The low hydrothermal alteration of serpentinites from the ophiolite complexes in Turkey has formed listwaenites with either mineralized or non-mineralized and scattered through the three-ophiolite belts in Anatolia, Turkey. The listwaenite occurrences and associated mineralization in Turkey are reviewed, taking into account the location and description used in literature. The geology and geochemistry of the listwaenites in east central Anatolia serve as a reference to illustrate the characteristics of listwaenite formation and precious metal concentrations in ophiolite belts of Turkey.

The late Cretaceous (Pre-Maastrichtian) alteration of serpentinite bodies in the Divriği and Kuluncak ophiolitic mélanges, in east central Anatolia has formed two distinct types of listwaenite. The earliest is silica-carbonate listwaenite (type I), which is dominated by silica+calcite+dolomite+ankerite±magnesite. Later, carbonate listwaenite (type II) comprise calcite+dolomite+ankerite±magnesite, and lack any significant introduction of silica.

In the Divrigi and Kuluncak ophiolitic mélanges the most of the silica-carbonate (type I) and carbonate (type II) listwaenite are formed along thrust fault zones. In clearly fault-related listwaenites, thrust fault(s) acted as pathway for hydrothermal fluids. In non fault-related listwaenites, hydrothermal fluids moved along highly serpentinized microfractured, stockworked and porous ultramafic rocks. The hydrothermal fluids involved in the formation of carbonate (type II) listwaenite differed from those that formed silica-carbonate (type I) listwaenite, which was enriched in SiO₂, as well as CO₂, Ca and H₂O, whereas those that formed carbonate listwaenite were SiO₂ deficient, and enriched only in CO₂, Ca and H₂O.

PRESENT STATE OF KNOWLEDGE

The current state of knowledge of listwaenite is briefly reviewed so that the relevance of the research topic to the field area and the methods of study employed can be fully appreciated. The term listwaenite was first introduced to the literature of mineralogy by Rose (1837) from the Urals area, where he referred to silica-carbonate alteration rocks of ophiolite. Much more has been written on the topic by Russian field geologist and researchers (Bok, 1956; Ploshko, 1963; Kashkai and Allakhverdiev, 1965, 1971; Scherban, 1967; Scherban and Borovikova, 1970; Goncharenko, 1970; Sazanov, 1975; Abovian, 1978; Kuleshevich, 1984; Spridinov, 1991). These listwaenites include many types of silica and carbonate-bearing rocks, each with different phyllosilicate mineral associations; namely silicacarbonate rocks, serpentine silica-carbonate rocks, iron silica-carbonate rocks, chlorite silica-carbonate rocks, talc silica-carbonate rocks, and chromian mica silica-carbonate rocks.

The differences in genetic types of listwaenite, the differing petrochemical properties, and mineralogical composition have produced a need to systematize and make more precise the nomenclature of these interesting rocks. Kashkai and Allakhverdiev, (1965) classified listwaenites based on four main headings as follows; 1-) By genesis: pneumatogenic-metasomatic, hydrothermal-metasomatic, and bimetasomatic listwaenites. 2-) By original rocks: ortholistwaenites, formed by metasomatic alteration of ultramafic rocks or other mafic igneous rocks; paralistwaenite from sedimentary rocks; epilistwaenite from metamorphic rocks. 3-) By mineral composition. Depending on the content of the main components the nomenclature of genetic types is established, for instance: quartz-carbonate, carbonate-quartz, talc, chlorite listwaenite. 4-) By metalliferousness. On the basis of content of ore and ore-silicate minerals a nomenclature is given, for instance, gold-bearing, nickelifereous, listwaenites etc.

Listwaenite is typically composed of quartz, carbonate minerals (magnesite, ankerite, and dolomite), and/or fuchsite or mariposite, together with sulfides and a number of other accessory minerals. With a few exceptions, listwaenites are formed through the metasomatic/hydrothermal alteration of serpentine (Kashkai and Allakverdiev, 1965; Capedri and Rossi, 1973; Buisson and Leblanc, 1986). They are evolved as products of two successive stages of same process: the serpentinization of ultrabasites followed by metasomatic alteration (Kashkai and Allakhverdiev, 1965). Listwaenitization of serpentinites occurs immediately after the autometamorphism of the derivatives of ultrabasic magma. Listwaenites occur as lenses, pods, and vein like bodies within ultrabasic units of Alpine-type ophiolite-ophiolitic melanges. Fluid movement along fractures produces dikelike listwaenites, the length of which can range in hundreds and the thickness in tens of meters.

Silica, CaO, MgO and Fe_2O_3 are common major oxides in the listwaenites. Minor elements commonly enriched to levels greater than in the serpentinites include Co, Cr, Ni, As, Cu. Antimony, Hg, Au and Ag are rarely enriched to ore grade.

Listwaenite research is of practical as well as theoretical importance because listwaenites host or are spatially associated worldwide with gold, arsenic, cobalt, nickel, tungsten and mercury deposits (Zhelobov, 1979; Kashkai and Allakhverdiev, 1965; Gorchakov and Lishnevsky, 1982; Goncharenko, 1984; Buisson and Leblanc, 1986; Korobeynikov and Goncharenko, 1986; Leblanc and Lbouabi, 1988; Leblanc and Fischer, 1990; Auclair et al., 1993; Sherlock and Logan, 1995; Halls and Zhao, 1995).

A listwaenite and cobalt association is reported in Mo-

rocco (Leblanc, 1986, 1988, 1991; Leblanc and Billaud, 1982; Leblanc and Fischer, 1990), where cobalt has been mined at the Bou Azzer deposit. Listwaenitization is well known in the California Coast Ranges where it is associated with mercury mineralization at the Knoxville, Horison, Reed, Red Elephant, New Almaden, Sulphur Bank and New Idria mines (Barnes et. al., 1973; Henderson, 1969; Shields, 1983; Studemeister, 1984; Sherlock and Logan, 1995). Au and Ag associations with listwaenites have been reported all over the world. For example in the Caucasus (Kurdyukow et al., 1977; Kashkai and Allakverdiev, 1965; Plashko, 1963), in the North American Cordillera (Dussell 1986; Graham, 1988; Ash and Arksey, 1990; Landefield, 1988; Landefield and Silberman, 1987; Knopf, 1929), in the Appalachian and Ontario areas (Auclair et al., 1993; Moritz et al., 1990; Moritz and Crocket, 1990, 1991; Moritz, 1988; Dupuy et al., 1981), and in Archean dunites in Yilgarn block, Australia (Martyn and Johnson, 1986; Donaldson, 1981). Various base and precious metal listwaenite association is also reported in the ultramafic-mafic belts of the Arabian shield, Saudi Arabia (Buisson and Leblanc, 1986), in central Euboea, Greece (Capedri and Rossi, 1973; Capedri, 1974), in the Barberton greenstone belt, South Africa (De Ronde et al., 1991), in Ligurian ophiolites, Italy (Pipino, 1980); in the Shusha and Lachin regions, Azerbaijan, and in Bessaza, northern Balkhash and western Kalba regions, Kazakhstan (Kashkai and Allakhverdiev, 1965). Listwaenite association with various base and precious metal occurrences in Kyrgyzstan, Armenia, Tuva Ultramafic complex, western Transbaikalia and the Sayans are briefly reported by Kashkai and Allakhverdiev (1965).

LISTWAENITE RESEARCH IN TURKEY

The low hydrothermal alteration of serpentinites from the ophiolite complexes in Turkey has formed listwaenites either mineralized or non-mineralized and scattered through the three-ophiolite belts in Anatolia (Fig. 1 and Table 1). The earliest research on listwaenites and associated mineralization in Turkey is described by Legros (1969) near the iron mines at Divriği in Sivas province. Leo et al., (1978) conducted research on Kuluncak ophiolite in Kuluncak-Malatya and concluded that the large part of a serpentinitegabbro complex is covered by a silica-carbonate cap with disseminated or massive magnetite and vein of dolomite and quartz. Aydal (1987) conducted the first complete study of a listwaenite occurrence near the village of Gemiköy in Kastamonu province in north Anatolia and discussed its mineralogy, chemistry and gold enrichment. He concluded that the Gemiköy listwaenite is autometamorphic in genesis. Tüysüz (1991), Tüysüz and Erler (1993) reported on listwaenite near Cermelikoy-Komik in the Kağızman region of Kars province, and defined two phases of listwaenite in a late Cretaceous ophiolite. They suggested that this listwaenite occurrence is subduction-related in origin and that listwaenites served as source rocks for placer gold in the region. Yılmaz et. al., (1991) described listwaenite in the ophiolite sequence near Güvenç in the Hekimhan region in Malatya province. Genç et al., (1990) and Genç (1992) recently reported on mercury-arsenic ore hosted by silica-carbonate alteration in a early Cretaceous ophiolite at Narman, Erzurum province. They concluded that the mercury ore in the listwaenite was formed by hydrothermal solutions. Fluid inclusion and temperature calculations from d¹⁸O contents of carbonates indicate a formation temperature between 56°C and 163°C. The d¹³C contents of the carbonates from listwaenites indicate that the C is sedimentary in origin. Larson and Erler (1992) reported that mercury and antimony deposits in Karakaya, Sivrihisar-Eskişehir, are in a silicacarbonate alteration zone. Larson and Erler (1992) and Erler and Larson (1992) concluded that listwaenite occurrences in Kaymaz near Sivrihisar-Eskişehir and in İnegöl-Bursa show enrichment in precious metal concentration, and that those at Kaymaz are at least locally of ore grade (>3 g Au/t). Boztuğ et al., (1994) described listwaenite occurrences near Alacahan (Sivas) and concluded that the listwaenites in the area are enriched in As, Ni, Co, Cd, Pb and Zn. Listwaenite occurrences in the Karakuz area were first reported by Uçurum et al., (1994) who also concluded that listwaenites in the Divriği and Hekimhan areas have very low precious metal concentrations. Later Uçurum (1996,1998), Uçurum and Larson (1995; 1999) determined that the listwaenites in the Divriği and Hekimhan areas are enriched in Co, Ni, Cr, and As, although Au and platinum group elements are in very low concentrations. Listwaenites in Karacakaya, Yunusemre-Eskişehir, was studied by Koç and Kadıoğlu (1996) and they concluded that the listwaenites contain silver ranging from 0.0004 g/t to 10.2 g/t. Recber et al., (1997) also reported that the Yunusemre listwaenites in Eskişehir contain silver up to 4.7 g/t. Çiftçi (1998) reported that the listwaenite occurrence in İmranlı-Sivas and Refahiye-Erzincan contain Ni-Sulfide mineralization. Oygür and Erler (1999) reported another Hg-Sb associated listwaenite occurrence in Körkuyu, Şaphane-Kütahya.

EAST CENTRAL ANATOLIAN LISTWAENITES

General geological setting

The study of listwaenite outcrops has been completed in three distinctive areas in the Tauride tectonic belt of central Anatolia, Turkey (Fig. 1A). The three areas that were studied occur in two different ophiolitic mélanges within the Tauride ophiolite belt (Fig. 1B). These are the Divriği ophiolitic mélange (Tunç et al. 1991) in Sivas, and the Kuluncak ophiolitic mélange (Yılmaz et al. 1991) in Hekimhan-Malatya (Fig. 1C). Both mélanges developed during the late Cretaceous (Tunç et al. 1991; Yılmaz et al. 1991).

The rock units in the Divriği ophiolitic mélange (Fig. 2) include the Upper Jurassic-Lower Cretaceous Akdağ limestone, the Upper Cretaceous Çaltı ultramafic rocks, and the Cürek listwaenite. The Divriği ophiolitic mélange is intruded by the Lower Cretaceous Murmano pluton. The above tectono-stratigraphic sequences is continued by the Eocene-Paleocene Ekinbaşı metasomatite and the Quaternary Kilise Formation.

The oldest sequence of rocks in the Kuluncak ophiolitic mélange in the Güvenç area (Fig. 3) is the Karadere ultramafics, which are overlain by the Kurtali gabbro, Gündeğcikdere radiolarite, Güvenç listwaenites, and the Buldudere Formation. All of the above units are late Cretaceous in age. The Karamağra siderite deposit in the Hekimhan area was probably formed in the late Cretaceous at the contact between Çaltı ultramafic rocks and the Buldudere Formation. The Kuluncak ophiolitic mélange was intruded by a sub-volcanic trachyte dike in the late Cretaceous. The Eocene-Paleocene Konukdere metasomatite, the Miocene Yamadağ volcanic rocks, and Quaternary slope deposits are late in the stratigraphic sequence in the Güvenç area.

The Kuluncak ophiolitic mélange in the Karakuz area (Fig. 4) is similar to that in Güvenç, but, gabbro, radiolarite and Miocene volcanic rocks are not present. The Miocene is represented by the Ciritbelen Formation in Karakuz, and the Karakuz iron deposit is hosted by a late Cretaceous sub-volcanic trachyte dike.

Geology of the listwaenites

Listwaenitic alteration of serpentinite is recognized to form two different rock types which differ from one another in their mineralogy, chemical composition, stratigraphic position, and the timing of their formation (Uçurum, 1996). Listwaenites are present as both silica-carbonate (type I) listwaenite and carbonate (type II) listwaenites in the



Table 1 - Listwaenites and associated mineralization in Turkey

Locations of listwaenite occurrences	Associated Mineralizations	Source of References
Sivas-Divri_i	Fe	Legros (1969)
Malatya-Kuluncak	Fe	Leo et al (1978) Yıldızeli et al., (1987)
Sivas-Alacahan	Fe± Au	Yıldızeli et al., (1987) Gültekin (1993) Boztu_ et al., (1994)
Kastamonu-Araç-Gemiköy	± Au	Aydal (1989)
Erzurum-Narman [*]	Hg-Sb	Genç et al (1990) Genç (1992)
Kars-Ka_ızman-Çermeli, Komik	± Au	Tüysüz (1991) Tüysüz and Erler (1993)
Bursanegöl-Sülüklüköy	Au-Ag	Larson and Erler (1992) Erler and Larson (1992)
Eski_ehir-Sivrihisar-karakaya	Hg-Sb	Larson and Erler (1992) Erler and Larson (1992)
Eski_ehir-Sivrihisar-kaymaz*	Au-Ag	Larson and Erler (1992) Erler and Larson (1992)
Sivas-Çetinkaya		Gültekin (1993)
Eski_ehir-Yunusemre-Karacakaya	Ag±Au	Koç and Kadıoğlu (1996)
Malatya-Hekimhan-Güvenç	Co, Ni, As, ±Au, ±Ag	Uçurum (1996, 1998) Uçurum et al (1994, 1997) Uçurum and Larson (1995, 1999)
Malatya-Hekimhan-Karakuz	Co, Ni, As, ±Au, ±Ag	Uçurum (1996, 1998) Uçurum et al, (1994, 1997) Uçurum and Larson (1995, 1999)
Sivas-Divri_i-Cürek	Co, Ni, As, ±Au, ±Ag	Uçurum (1996, 1998) Uçurum et al (1994, 1997) Uçurum and Larson, (1995, 1999)
Eski_ehir-Yunusemre	Ag±Au	Reçber et al (1997)
Sivasmranlı	Ni-Sulfide, ±Ag±Au	Çiftçi (1998)
Refahiye-Erzincan	Ni-Sulfide, ±Ag±Au	Çiftçi (1998)
Erzurum-Pasinler-Tanktepe	Au±Ag	M. Yılmaz(TÜPRAG) (1999) Personal communication
Kütahyaaphane-Körkuyu	Hg-Sb	Oygür and Erler (1999)

* It is ready to operate or pending for operation.

Güvenç (Fig. 3) and Karakuz (Fig. 4) areas in the Kuluncak ophiolitic mélange, whereas in the Cürek area (Fig. 2) of the Divriği ophiolitic mélange only silica-carbonate listwaenite is present. Most silica-carbonate listwaenite occurs along thrust faults which border the ophiolitic block within the ophiolitic mélange. Carbonate listwaenite is formed by nonfault related processes in Güvenç, whereas in Karakuz both silica-carbonate and carbonate listwaenite form along thrust faults.

The clear stratigraphic relationship between silica-carbonate and carbonate listwaenite in the Güvenç area suggests that the silica-carbonate (type I) listwaenite bodies are older and are followed by later carbonate (type II) listwaenite formation in the Divriği-Hekimhan region.

Type I. Silica-carbonate listwaenites are present in all of the study areas (Figs. 2, 3, 4) and are either formed along and adjacent to thrust faults or within highly serpentinized porous and fractured ultramafic rocks.

Silica-carbonate (type I) listwaenite bodies in the Cürek area grade vertically into serpentinite from which they were derived. They range in thickness from 2-3 m to a maximum of 100 m. At the serpentinite-listwaenite contact there is a transitional zone which contains angular serpentinite blocks, (2-3 cm in diameter), chromite relics, and silica-carbonate minerals. The thickness of the transitional zone ranges from 5 cm to 60 cm. A silicic zone overlies the transitional zone and is composed of quartz, dolomite, calcite, and ankerite with hematite, magnetite and chromite. Listwaenite at Güvenç is exposed between Eskikent village and Güvenç village as silica-carbonate (type I) and its (Fig. 3) north and south boundaries are controlled by thrust faults. Both silica-carbonate (type I) and carbonate (type II) listwaenites in the Karakuz area are formed along thrust fault zones in serpentinite (Fig. 4).

In the Kızılcakale outcrop in the Karakuz area (Fig. 5) and southwest of Culhalı village in the Güvenç area (Fig. 3), a sub volcanic trachyte intrudes the listwaenites. Leo et al. (1978) determined the age of a trachyte dike in the Kuluncak area some 10 km west of Karakuz area to be 71.1±1.6 to 74.3±1.7 Ma or equivalent to Maastrichtian. Late Cretaceous (Pre-Maastrichtian) is the accepted formation age for listwaenite in both the Güvenç and the Karakuz areas due to contact relationship between listwaenites and trachytes. There is not any contact relation between Murmano pluton and listwaenites in Cürek area. The age of the Murmano pluton is considered to be late Cretaceous by Sezer (1972), and by Kosal (1973); early Cretaceous (Albian) by Zeck and Ünlü (1988), and late Cretaceous-Paleocene by Tunc et al. (1991). The Cürek listwaenite, therefore, formed before 74 Ma (Maastrichtian) and after the Murmano pluton.

Type II. The carbonate (type II) listwaenites present in both the Güvenç (Fig. 3) and Karakuz (Fig. 4) areas and mostly formed in highly serpentinized porous and fractured ultramafic rocks in Güvenç with rare thrust fault-related occurrences and in the Karakuz area along and adjacent to a thrust fault. Carbonate listwaenite is present only in the Güvenç (Fig. 3) and Karakuz areas (Fig. 4). The outcrops appear as a listwaenite cap on serpentinized ultramafic rocks. The boundaries of the carbonate listwaenites in the Karakuz area (Fig. 4) are thrust faults as are the boundaries for silica-carbonate listwaenite.

Geochemistry of the listwaenites

SiO₂, CaO, MgO and Fe₂O₃ are common major oxides in both listwaenite types. Other oxides such as Ti₂O, Al₂O₃, MnO, K₂O, Na₂O and P₂O₅ are present in very low (less than 1%) concentrations (Table 2). Fig. 5, a Fe₂O₃-SiO₂-CaO+MgO ternary diagram shows that silica-carbonate listwaenites plot along and near the SiO₂-CaO+MgO pseudobinary at values of > 40% SiO₂ and < 60% CaO+MgO, while carbonate listwaenites, plot very near the CaO+MgO corner. Some extreme high values of silica, such as 80% and 96% in silica-carbonate and 40% and 57% in carbonate were provided by samples from intensely quartz veined listwaenite outcrops, and the high value probably represents introduced silica by hydrothermal SiO₂ veining. The relatively low silica in two samples is due to calcite-dolomite veins in silica-carbonate listwaenite outcrops.

Differences in the amounts of Fe_2O_3 , SiO_2 , CaO+MgO in silica-carbonate (type I) and carbonate (type II) listwaenites suggest differences in alteration intensity or composition of ultramafic/mafic protolith and/or chemistry of hydrothermal fluids involved in the formation of silica-carbonate and carbonate listwaenites. During the silica-carbonate formation period the hydrothermal fluid is enriched in silica, whereas carbonate fluids were characterized by high concentrations



Fig. 3 - Geologic map of ophiolite/listwaenite occurrences in the Güvenç-Hekimhan, Malatya (Uçurum, 1996).

	Sample #s	SiO ₂	TiO ₂	Al ₂ O ₃	Fe ₂ O ₃	MnO	MgO	CaO	Na ₂ O	K ₂ O	P_2O_5	LOI	Total
Type I listwaenite	ADG-10 ADG-23	30.53 29.66	0.01 0.01	0.36 0.42	4.8 7.23	0.17 0.13	12.66 25.9	19.18 3.47	0.08 0.08	0.01 0.01	0.01 0.01	31.25 32.51	99.06 99.42
	ADG-26	37.19	0.03	0.33	10.28	0.59	11.76	12.5	0.09	0.01	0.01	25.7	98.5
	ADG-37	79.99	0.01	0.28	1.5	0.1	2.87	6	0.04	0.09	0.03	8.46	99.36
	ADG-42	96.16	0.01	0.87	1.92	0.01	0.16	0.06	0.09	0.1	0.02	0.81	100.21
	ADK-25	30.02	0.01	0.32	5.69	0.19	13.39	19.2	0.23	0.01	0.01	30.4	99.46
	ADK-26	56.09	0.02	0.49	2.84	0.14	9.14	12.25	0.11	0.01	0.01	18.54	99.63
	ADK-27	28.16	0.03	0.24	5.36	0.39	12.86	20.49	0.08	0.03	0.03	31.15	98.83
	ADK-41	52.9	0.01	0.27	5.99	0.23	8.09	12.84	0.03	0.02	0.02	18.82	99.19
	ADC-13	96.58	0.01	0.54	0.79	0.02	0.39	0.22	0.13	0.05	0.01	1.02	99.76
	ADC-21	17.83	0.01	0.64	3.34	0.08	15.66	24.03	0.1	0.01	0.01	37.36	99.06
	ADC-29	94.53	0.02	0.74	1.72	0.02	0.23	0.18	0.18	0.01	0.01	1.27	98.9
	ADC-45	49.9	0.02	0.3	3.46	0.11	9.32	14.22	0.12	0.02	0.01	22.16	99.63
	ADC-57	7.7	0.02	1.42	7.8	0.11	38.47	0.32	0.01	0.01	0.02	13.88	100.01
	Average	50.52	0.02	0.52	4.48	0.16	11.49	10.35	0.10	0.03	0.02	19.52	99.36
Туре II	ADG-31	3.04	0.01	0.17	7.12	0.73	16.32	27.86	0.03	0.02	0.01	43.37	98.65
listwaenite	ADG-32	5	0.01	0.05	6.6	0.91	16.05	27.09	0.02	0.01	0.01	42.31	98.05
	ADG-67	41.63	0.01	0.12	2.87	0.05	23.44	1.94	0.03	0.02	0.01	27.94	98.03
	ADK-35	0.98	0.01	0.16	5.9	0.63	16.94	29.41	0.04	0.05	0.01	44.36	98.47
	ADK-37	1.16	0.01	0.44	4.72	0.44	17.81	28.92	0.03	0.11	0.01	44.75	98.41
	ADK-39	57.13	0.01	0.22	5.33	0.19	7.8	10.9	0.02	0.01	0.01	16.76	98.36
	ADK-48	4.52	0.01	0.27	3.94	0.11	19.43	26.58	0.02	0.01	0.01	42.81	97.69
	Average	16.21	0.01	0.20	5.21	0.44	16.83	21.81	0.03	0.03	0.01	37.47	98.24

Table 2 - Major oxide concentrations of the listwaenites and associated alteration products of ultramafic rocks in the Divriği-Hekimhan region

ADG = Güvenç; ADK= Karakuz; ADC = Cürek. Oxides are from XRF-Fusion disks, LOI at 1000 °C.



Fig. 4 - Geologic map of ophiolite/listwaenite occurrences in the Karakuz-Hekimhan, Malatya (Uçurum, 1996).



Fig. 5 - Plotting of listwaenites in SiO_2 -Fe₂O₃-CaO+MgO ternary diagram. Dashed line divides the silica-carbonate (type I) and carbonate (type II) listwaenites. Data are from Table 2.



Fig. 6 - Multiple element spider diagram of listwaenites and serpentinites from Divriği and Hekimhan regions. Data are from Table 3.

of Ca and Mg. In addition, weathering possibly affected the chemistry of listwaenites as well as chemically different hydrothermal fluids. Weathering is a possibility tes are basically derived. Serpentinites in the Divriği-Hekimhan district with 35-41 % SiO₂ (Uçurum, 1996) compare well with other serpentinites in the world (e.g. Deer et al. 1962; Hess et al. 1952; Brindley and Zusmman, 1957; Wicks and Plant, 1979). A second possibility is that the silica from serpentinites dissolved into the hydrothermal fluid during the formation of carbonate listwaenite and were taken out from the environment by the remaining fluid, which was enriched in silica in a high pH and low temperature environment. For carbonate listwaenite bodies this makes sense because silica is more soluble at high pH (\geq 9) than at lower pH, while the solubility of Ca increases with decreasing temperature (as much as 25-60 $^{\circ}$ C) at low partial pressures of CO₂ (3x10⁻⁴ atm) (Faure, 1991). This suggests that the hydrothermal solution for carbonate listwaenite was characterized by moderate-high temperature and high pH.

Chemical analyses of base and precious metals of listwaenite and associated rock units indicate that the As, Ba, Zn, Pb, Cu and Sb are enriched in listwaenite with respect to associated serpentinite and very locally Au, Ag and Zn are also highly enriched (Table 3, Fig. 6). This suggests that hydrothermal fluids introduced those elements during the formation of the listwaenites. Presence and amount of silica were probably the main controls that defined the concentrations of those elements in hydrothermal fluid, because silica-carbonate listwaenite is more enriched in As, Ba, Cr, Ni and Sb than is carbonate listwaenite. Serpentinite is characterized by high Co, Cr and Ni concentrations in the Divriği and Hekimhan regions (Fig. 6). However, a number of listwaenite samples have higher Co, Cr and Ni values than the average for serpentinite (Uçurum, 1996). Edel'shteyn and Pilipenko (1978) report that Co and Ni behave inertly during serpentinization and are redistributed only locally between silicate and oxide phases. During this redistribution Co and Ni may enrich randomly and locally. In addition, apparent Co, Cr and Ni enrichment in serpentinite from the Divriği and Hekimhan regions is perhaps a result of limited sampling of serpentinite in these study areas. Barium is enriched in silica-carbonate (type I) listwaenites than in asso-



Fig. 7 - Ternary diagrams for listwaenites and serpentinites from Divriği and Hekimhan regions. Data are from Table 3. A) Ni-As-Co, B) Ag-As-Au, C) Ni-As-Co diagrams.

ciated type II listwaenites and serpentinites.

Figs. 7a, 7b and 7c show that Co-As, Ni-As and Au-As are closely associated in listwaenites and serpentinite and were probably in equilibrium in hydrothermal solution during alteration of the mafic-ultramafic rocks. Close association between Co-As, Ni-As and Au-As suggest that those elements were in equilibrium in the hydrothermal fluids and introduced as arsenic complexes. Concentrations of Au and Ag are generally very low in both types of listwaenites, although local anomalies have been detected in the Güvenç and Karakuz areas. Neither Sb and Ag are associated with As, and this suggests that Sb and Ag were introduced into the system by hydrothermal fluids in low concentrations. Clear Co, Ni and Au associations with As in the listwaenites suggest that the these metals were brought into the system by hydrothermal fluids during the listwaenitization of serpentinite.

As, Ba, Zn and Sb are enriched in listwaenite with respect to associated serpentinite in the Divriği-Hekimhan district. Presence and amount of Si in the hydrothermal fluid were probably important in determining base and precious metal contents in the listwaenites, because silica-carbonate listwaenite is enriched in As, Ba, Co, Cr, Ni, Zn and Sb when compared to carbonate listwaenite.

Analysis of La, Ce, Nd, Sm, Eu, Yb and Lu are presented in Table 4. REEs are enriched in both listwaenites and serpentinite with respect to chondrite (Fig. 8a). Both figures show that serpentinites have the highest concentration of REEs followed by carbonate listwaenite and silica-carbonate listwaenite. MORB normalized patterns (Fig. 8b) of listwaenites and associated rock units have negative slopes from La to Yb. Neodymium, Sm, Eu and Yb patterns of both silica-carbonate and carbonate listwaenites are below the average MORB line and only La enriched in those rock units. Ce is slightly negative in silica-carbonate listwaenite and slightly positive in carbonate listwaenite (Figs. 8a, 8b). Sm anomalies present slightly negative in serpentinite and in listwaenites, however Eu is slightly positive only in serpentinite and slightly negative in other rock units (Figs. 9a, 9b). Negative Ce anomalies are good evidence of equilibration with sea water with a REE pattern similar to the modern sea water. Fryer (1977a; 1977b) has shown that chondrite-normalized REE patterns in ocean-ridge sediments, including metaliferous ones, show small negative Eu anomalies and deep negative Ce anomalies. These patterns suggest that silica-carbonate listwaenites in the Divrigi and Hekimhan regions were formed by hydrothermal fluids with slight interaction with sea water, because the Ce pattern of silica-carbonate listwaenites is not strongly negative enough to represent only a sea water signature. Serpentinite bodies in the Divriği-Hekimhan region with (Fig. 8b) slightly positive Ce anomalies (Figs. 8a, 8b), suggests that the serpentinization of mafic-ultramafic rocks in the Kuluncak and Divrigi melanges occurred on land after obduction was completed. Carbonate listwaenite formed by meteoric water hydrothermal fluids.

Normal MORB normalized REE patterns (Fig. 8b) of the listwaenites and associated serpentinite show that Nd in listwaenites, Sm and Eu in serpentinite and listwaenites and Yb in all rock units are below average MORB values. This pattern may indicate that the origin of these alteration products is related to depleted MORB (Wilson, 1989). In other words, the parent rocks of listwaenites and serpentinite were derived from ultramafic rocks which originated in a midoceanic ridge environment from slightly REE depleted magma with respect to MORB. Mid-oceanic ridge basalt, and chondrite normalized REE patterns of both types of list-



Fig. 8 - Rare-earth element patterns of listwaenites and serpentinites in the Divriği and Hekimhan regions. Data are from Table 4 (1996). A) Chondrite normalized, normalizing constants are from Nakamura (1974). B) Mid-Oceanic Ridge Basalt normalized, normalizing constants are from Bevins et al., (1984), and Pearce (1983).

waenites and serpentinite show that the listwaenites and serpentinite are genetically related in that listwaenite is derived from serpentinite by its reaction with hydrothermal fluids. The source rocks for listwaenites and serpentinite were from slightly REE depleted MORB.

The REE patterns in all listwaenite samples suggest a relatively immobile behavior of the REEs during alteration. The general lowering of the REE concentrations in the listwaenites can be best explained by a mass increase in the altered rocks due to addition of chemical components during this process.

Listwaenitization Processes

Listwaenitization occur in the shear, thrust and faultedfractured porous zones of ultramafic rocks which act as pathways for altering and mineralizing fluids. Silica-carbonate alteration and development of listwaenites post-date serpentinization of ultramafic complexes.

Listwaenite bodies in the Güvenç, Karakuz and Cürek areas are (Figs. 2, 3, 4) formed by means of several chemical changes in serpentinites from the Divriği (Divriği-Sivas) and Kuluncak ophiolitic mélanges (Hekimhan-Malatya). Silica-carbonate listwaenite is an early alteration product and is followed by carbonate listwaenite which formed as a final product from the alteration of serpentinized ultramafic rocks. Major oxide chemical analyses show that addition of calcium, carbon dioxide, and silica, and removal of magnesium oxide characterize the change from serpentinite to sili-

Table 3 - Base and precious metal concentrations of the listwaenites and associated alteration products of ultramafic rocks in the Divriği-Hekimhan region

Analytical		INA	A ICP	INAA	INAA	INAA	INAA	ICP	ICP	ICP	ICP	INAA	INAA	ICP	ICP	ICP
method Element		Au	Ag	As	Ba	Co	Cr	Ni	Zn	Pb	Cu	Sb	Sc	Sr	V	Y
Unit		ppb	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm
Detection limi	t	2	0.4	0.5	50	1	5	1	1	5	1	0.1	0.1	1	2	2
	Sample #	#s														
Туре І	ADG-1	5	0.2	26	630	1	11	68	422	164	8	1.2	0.5	46	4	8
Listwaenite	ADG-2	23	<u>30.4</u>	1700	<u>19000</u>	80	1700	1408	<u>37354</u>	<u>2238</u>	82	31	5.6	337	11	5
	ADG-3	6	0.2	5.5	25	21	1800	537	39	6	4	2	4.7	73	9	2
	ADG-4	13	0.2	3.1	25	38	3300	1066	12	2.5	2	0.5	1.7	82	2	1
	ADG-5	6	0.2	4.1	100	23	2000	1329	11	2.5	7	1.8	5.2	81	11	1
	ADG-6	3	0.2	5.2	79	1	19	24	8	5	6	0.7	0.8	44	3	14
	ADG-6A	20	0.8	430	130	38	1700	685	16	15	57	9	10	119	33	8
	ADG-8	3	0.2	16	110	29	3600	1552	23	2.5	2000	0.7	2.9	102	2	2
	ADG-9	1	2.9	24	1200	110	1800	<u>3327</u>	254	<u>362</u>	<u>3099</u>	1 2	5.5	103	9	2
	ADG-10	25	0.2	34 120	1000	20	1900	419	20 182	25	18	1.5	4.0	140	0 11	1
	ADG-13	7	0.2	7.6	280	70	1900	675	102	0	13	2.5	4.7 5.3	76	12	1
	ADG-14	3	9.8	200	80	31	2400	234	11	68	32	3	0.7	6	4	1
	ADG-16	18	0.2	16	240	20	3200	295	20	2.5	3	5.3	3.1	130	4	2
	ADG-17	1	0.2	1.6	120	5	110	9	24	2.5	4	0.05	18	175	2	8
	ADG-18	14	0.2	29	180	41	1900	1136	468	35	6	4.2	5	157	10	1
	ADG-19	8	1.2	20	96	180	1700	<u>3100</u>	747	127	8	3.6	2.3	53	4	1
	ADG-23	10	0.2	7.4	500	57	1800	1350	17	7	17	2.8	4.8	51	9	1
	ADG-24	1	0.2	170	25	26	3100	446	16	2.5	7	2.4	48	128	107	1
	ADG-25	17	0.2	49	25	34	1300	778	22	2.5	22	5.2	4.7	122	8	1
	ADG-26	5	2.5	<u>1500</u>	70	81	1800	1659	187	7	<u>1167</u>	<u>990</u>	4.4	38	8	2
	ADG-27	10	0.4	870	130	37	1800	1258	64	21	29	20	5.6	85	9	1
	ADG-28	26	0.2	2.9	25	33	780	1108	30	7	3	0.3	2.4	500	9	1
	ADG-29	5	0.2	4.6	25	39	1700	519	12	2.5	4	0.4	2.2	199	2	1
	ADG-34	6	0.2	610	140	84	2700	1261	38	20	79	52	2.4	85	5	4
	ADG-35	11	0.2	500	210	33	2000	1674	39	9	63	45	2.2	76	4	2
	ADG-35A	4	0.6	26	120	4	57	130	19	10	19	2	0.4	37	9	28
	ADG-36	5	1.7	220	60	13	91	301	125	25	20	4.4	5.1	56	12	11
	ADG-37	4	0.2	5./	82	3	1400	33	16	8	8	1.5	0.8	60	3 10	11
	ADG-38	5 15	0.0	23 21	1400	04	1400	81	37	11	11	14	0	98 125	10	3 16
	ADG-39	15	0.2	10	1400	4	24	81	27	25	11	1.5	1.0	61	2	10
	ADG-40	20	0.2	95	23 70	51	3800	1481	58	2.5	7	1.5	3.3	114	6	12
	ADG-42	20	2.2	140	420	76	3600	223	60	17	38	14	1.9	14	13	1
	ADG-44	6	0.2	2.2	260	9	580	287	13	2.5	24	0.2	45	10	72	10
	ADG-46	1	5.9	1000	25	94	4500	1730	5	15	56	0.8	2.5	86	2	2
	ADG-58	<u>72</u>	0.8	18	<u>13000</u>	38	750	354	19	6	4	3.9	3.4	263	7	2
	ADG-60	3	0.2	3.5	290	<u>230</u>	2700	712	9	2.5	17	1.8	4.7	169	4	2
	ADK-22	1	0.2	69	25	26	3000	416	114	26	66	8.9	4	188	2	1
	ADK-24	1	0.2	57	25	34	2900	441	42	33	4	6.3	1.7	11	11	1
	ADK-25	1	0.2	190	150	34	2000	686	150	121	17	8.5	3.1	218	2	1
	ADK-26	6	0.2	27	200	29	9000	332	36	16	6	0.6	1.6	163	2	1
	ADK-27	1	0.2	47	280	72	1600	1130	138	35	4	3.1	3.9	70	5	1
	ADK-41	1	6	20	150	34	1500	475	35	22	193	8.4	4.2	64	12	2
	ADC-1	7	0.2	35	68	45	1600	943	57	2.5	115	5.1	3.6	90	11	1
	ADC-2	15	0.2	240	25	33	2300	1070	31	8	31	14	3.6	23	8	1
	ADC-3	18	0.2	140	1500	30	2900	505	39	20	56	19	5.5	74	16	6
	ADC-4	35	0.2	85	74	63	2900	1082	25	10	15	9.8	4	159	10	1
	ADC-5	0	0.2	5/ 15	260	52	1400	1510	17	2.5	6	1.7	4.5	229	1	1
	ADC-6	8 1	0.2	15	1000	2	250	50 1004	3 22	2.5	1	15	0.2 5	20	3	1
	ADC-/	1	0.5	42	25	39	2400	1004	22	2.5	3	4.9	э	51	25	1
	ADC-8	16	0.2	28	110	77	2300	2052	9	2.5	3	7	2.8	219	2	1
	ADC-9	1	0.2	41	99	52	1500	887	47	2.5	6	9.4	3.4	43	10	1
	ADC-10	6	0.2	22	25	55	2800	1158	17	2.5	29	39	7.2	69	10	1

	ADC-11	1	0.4	13	350	44	1800	266	21	2.5	26	3.6	4.4	24	7	1
	ADC-12	23	2.8	150	25	82	860	357	88	32	62	15	35	21	144	4
	ADC-13	26	0.2	11	<u>23000</u>	2	330	60	8	8	4	5.5	0.4	400	4	1
	ADC-14	1	0.2	98	25	10	2300	242	328	83	65	16	4	12	9	1
	ADC-15	14	0.2	31	1300	15	2200	495	41	12	106	11	4.4	50	9	1
	ADC-16	6	0.2	17	25	50	1400	1127	19	6	12	1.4	4	208	9	1
	ADC-17	1	0.2	17	25	77	2000	1446	21	2.5	27	0.6	4.6	135	9	1
	ADC-18	1	0.2	39	100	29	1100	819	213	44	5	6.3	3.4	129	10	1
	ADC-19	1	0.2	34	25	<u>150</u>	2000	<u>3328</u>	74	30	10	0.8	4.5	116	8	1
	ADC-20	1	0.2	45	25	41	1500	1517	17	2.5	10	2.4	4.8	114	7	1
	ADC-21	1	0.4	11	25	63	1800	<u>2752</u>	21	2.5	23	1.2	4.1	210	7	1
	ADC-22	9	0.4	20	160	38	1500	572	33	2.5	3	7.9	4.6	67	12	1
	ADC-23	10	0.2	29	25	57	1800	1004	12	7	11	2.1	1.6	23	6	1
	ADC-24	7	0.2	19	58	30	2400	<u>2228</u>	99	6	7	4.8	5	98	7	1
	ADC-25	13	0.2	9.1	25	40	1500	1087	15	2.5	5	0.7	1.9	74	5	1
	ADC-26	8	0.2	13	54	58	2100	<u>2288</u>	18	2.5	3	0.7	2.4	321	2	1
	ADC-27	7	0.2	160	120	30	1100	1214	47	9	8	12	4	35	52	4
	ADC-28	11	0.2	55	130	12	3200	414	56	12	9	28	4.1	7	16	1
	ADC-29		3 0.2	29	89	9	2100	194	24	10	7	5.5	2.3	6	7	1
	ADC-30		1 0.2	<u>1500</u>	150	42	3400	1502	137	99	42	65	5.8	17	79	5
	ADC-31		6 0.2	18	25	35	1700	222	14	2.5	5	3.4	2.9	7	3	1
	ADC-32		14 0.2	310	25	53	<u>13000</u>	1632	270	48	53	<u>220</u>	15	7	85	2
	ADC-33		13 0.2	72	340	4	45	29	11	15	18	23	0.8	33	42	2
	ADC-34		1 0.2	29	25	62	2000	1228	15	5	4	1.2	5.9	109	6	1
	ADC-35		6 0.2	57	1900	79	3100	1018	92	12	5	8	2.5	47	11	1
	ADC-43		9 0.2	15	430	31	1800	681	32	7	97	3.8	4.6	58	8	1
	ADC-45		8 0.2	18	120	31	2200	793	16	2.5	18	2.1	3.2	51	4	1
	ADC-46		13 0.2	27	180	45	1400	985	22	5	21	1.6	2.7	213	12	1
	ADC-47		1 0.2	47	110	2	28	22	7	2.5	43	2	5.3	49	38	7
	ADC-49		7 0.2	490	280	58	3600	1124	41	2.5	63	13	7.1	31	12	1
	ADC-53		5 0.2	2.3	100	3	12	20	8	2.5	1	0.4	2.3	11	11	5
	ADC-54		12 0.2	6.4	230	10	260	49	35	6	39	1	8	27	33	10
	Average	8.	15 0.63	81.82	213.48	37.321	861.67	718.53	68.08	17.47	25.14	8.13	5.31	100.08	14.55	3.08
Type II	ADG-30		0 02	28	25	8	54	212	238	44	0	2.0	27	260	11	4
Listwaanita	ADG-31		2 0.2	67	360	6	23	182	230	44 8	5	2.9	2.7	200 52	11	4
Listwaenite	ADG 32		5 0.2	45	25	5	23	102	24	10	0	1.5	1.0	34	4	4
	ADG-52		1 0.2	16	03	/0	1000	1053	21	25	3	2.0	1.9	J4 44	4	1
	ADK-35		1 0.2 37 2 3	120	25	4)	17	<u>1055</u> 80	521	414	15	1.7	0.7	44	3	2
	ADK-36	-	<u>57</u> 2.5 1 18	88	25	5	28	96	406	324	155	98	0.7	35	3	4
	ADK-30		1 1.0	89	130	8	19	57	<u>+00</u> 587	294	42	20	1.2	27	8	2
	ADK-38		1 0.8	110	120	12	8	53	<u>572</u>	235	12	2.9	0.5	26	4	2
	ADK-39		1 0.0	41	25	330	2700	857	150	166	21	2.1	1.6	102	7	2
	ADK-48		1 0.2	15	25	68	1500	<u>1136</u>	108	39	6	3	4.2	335	7	2
	Average	2.4	44 0.81	48.74	85.30	18.33	24.71	114.71	22.33	20.70	13.55	2.6	1.61	96.10	5.90	3.00
Serpentinite	ADG-12		4 0.2	0.25	25	91	4700	2027	35	2.5	12	0.4	4.6	1	8	1
•	ADG-33		1 0.2	60	1700	33	27	83	154	33	16	12	20	382	185	26
	ADG-43		14 0.2	8.6	60	89	2500	1349	23	2.5	77	1.3	5.8	6	12	1
	ADG-45		1 0.2	0.25	110	<u>1</u> 40	5500	2055	21	2.5	49	0.05	16	2	23	1
	ADG-57		12 0.6	26	190	38	2300	417	9	2.5	2	3.4	2.5	112	4	2
	ADG-66		1 02	5	25	30	1900	416	18	2.5	107	0.05	39	94	85	5
	ADK-33		1 0.2	3.8	25	83	3800	1978	15	5	<u>+07</u> 5	0.05	5	4	5	2
	ADC-52		16 0.2	2.5	25	9 <u>4</u>	2300	2395	10	25	5	0.3	11	4	30	- 1
	ADC-58		1 0.2	19	25	82	2200	1741	31	5	20	0.2	9.4	3	34	2
	100-30		1 0.2	1.)	23	02	2200	1/41	51		20	0.2	.4	5	J4	1 56
	Average	.5 /	56 0.24	12.03	60.62	67.502	2803.00	1384.56	21.37	6.44	23.25	2.00	12.59	67.44	42.89	4.50

ADG = Güvenç; ADK = Karakuz; ADC = Cürek. Concentration values of some elements are accepted as a half of the detection limit. Those elements are originally reported by ACTLAB below the detection limit of analytical instruments. Underlined values are excluded from average values.

Analytical method		INAA	INAA	INAA	INAA	INAA	INAA	INAA
Element		La	Ce	Nd	Sm	Eu	Yb	Lu
Unit		ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm
Detection limit		0.5	3	5	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.05
	Sample #s							
Туре І	ADG-6	2.9	4	2.5	0.9	0.3	1.2	0.15
listwaenite	ADG-6A	1	5	2.5	0.6	0.1	1.1	0.17
	ADG-13	1.5	6	2.5	0.6	0.1	0.6	0.08
	ADG-16	7.3	8	2.5	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.05
	ADG-26	1.2	3	13	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.025
	ADG-34	3.6	8	2.5	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.025
	ADG-35	2.5	5	2.5	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.06
	ADG-37	7.8	5	8	1.6	0.4	0.9	0.13
	ADG-38	0.7	4	2.5	0.4	0.1	0.4	0.06
	ADG-39	9.2	6	8	2.3	0.6	1.7	0.23
	ADG-40	4.6	3	2.5	0.9	0.2	1	0.17
	ADG-58	43	31	2.5	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.025
	ADC-3	3.7	8	5	0.4	0.1	0.4	0.07
	ADC-27	2.1	1.5	2.5	0.3	0.1	0.4	0.07
	ADC-32	1.2	5	2.5	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.11
	ADC-33	23	53	14	1.8	0.3	0.5	0.025
	ADC-47	1.8	4	2.5	0.8	0.1	0.4	0.05
	ADC-53	5.6	12	7	1.2	0.3	0.7	0.09
	Average	6.82	9.53	4.72	0.76	0.22	0.59	0.09
Туре II	ADC-54	21	50	18	3.9	0.9	2	0.28
listwaenite	ADG-30	1	1.5	2.5	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.06
	ADG-31	2.2	3	2.5	0.2	0.1	0.4	0.1
	Average	8.07	18.17	7.67	1.47	0.37	0.9	0.15
Serpentinite	ADG-32	2.8	3	2.5	0.3	0.1	1.4	0.21
	ADG-33	41	81	32	6.5	2.2	3.9	0.34
	ADG-66	0.25	1.5	2.5	0.3	0.2	0.6	0.025
	Average	14.68	28.5	12.33	2.37	0.83	1.97	0.19

Table 4 - Rare-Earth element concentrations of the listwaenites and adjacent rock units from ophiolitic melanges in Hekimhan and Divriği regions

ADG = Güvenç; ADK = Karakuz; ADC = Cürek. REEs are determined by INAA.

Concentration values of some elements are accepted as a half of the detection limit. Those elements are originally reported by ACTLAB below the detection limit of analytical instruments.



Fig. 9 - Suggested model for listwaenitization and mineralization in the Divriği-Hekimhan region. A) Thrust fault related model, B) Non-thrust fault related model. When carbonate listwaenite is subject to this model, silica is considered to be absent from the hydrothermal fluids (Uçurum, 1996).

ca-carbonate listwaenites. The resulting rock is silica-carbonate dominated with relics of serpentinite and chromitite fragments. Silica-carbonate listwaenite, the latest product of listwaenitization in the Divriği and Hekimhan districts, is characterized by the introduction of calcium, and carbon dioxide and removal of magnesium oxide and silica.

Listwaenitization occurs by metasomatism of weakly serpentinized or completely serpentinized mafic minerals or by hydrothermal alteration of serpentinized mafic minerals or by combination of both processes. Although Capedri and Rossi (1973) report that listwaenite bodies are derived from fresh ultramafic rocks in central Euboea, Greece, most investigations show listwaenite to be later than serpentinization and to be superimposed on the earlier serpentinite (Ploshko, 1963; Scherban and Borovikova, 1970; Zhelobov, 1979; Kashkai and Allakhverdiev, 1965; Spirdinow, 1991; Schandl and Naldrett, 1992).

Listwaenite can form by the following chemical reactions from serpentinites:

(*i*) When both CO_2 and CaO act directly on serpentine minerals, the process can directly form listwaenite;

$$\begin{array}{c} Mg_{3}Si_{2}O_{8}(OH)_{4}+CaO+4CO_{2}\rightarrow 2MgCO_{3}+CaMg(CO_{3})_{2}+4SiO_{2}+H_{2}O\\ serpentine \\ added \\ \underline{magnesite\ dolomite\ quartz}_{silica-carbonate\ listwaenite} \end{array}$$

(*ii*) However, if only carbon dioxide directly affects the serpentinites then magnesite+quartz listwaenitic rocks form;

$$Mg_3Si_2O_5(OH)_4 + 3CO_2 \rightarrow 3MgCO_3 + 2SiO_2 + 2H_2O$$

serpentine added magnesite quartz

(*iii*) Carbonate listwaenites lack any significant silica and are probably formed by dissolving of SiO₂ at high pH and moderately high temperature conditions in the hydrothermal fluid, because SiO₂ is more soluble at high pH (\geq 9) and the solubility of Ca increases with decreasing temperature (25-60 °C) with low partial pressures of CO₂ (3x10⁻⁴ atm) (Faure, 1991). Chemical reactions for this type listwaenite formation from serpentinites could be:

 $\begin{array}{c} Mg_{3}Si_{2}O_{8}(OH)_{4}+CaO+4CO_{2}\not E \ 2MgCO_{3}+CaMg(CO_{3})_{2}+4SiO_{2}+H_{2}O\\ serpentine \\ added \\ \underline{magnesite\ dolomite}\\ carbonate\ listwaenite \\ \end{array}$

Genesis of listwaenites

Formation models for the listwaenite bodies from the Divriği and Kuluncak ophiolitic mélanges, based primarily on alteration assemblages and element associations, is summarized in Fig. 9 a and b. The model invokes two main listwaenite-forming events, thrust fault related and non-thrust fault related listwaenitization. Genetically there are no significant differences between the two different settings.

All of the silica-carbonate, and some of carbonate listwaenites in the Cürek (Fig. 2) Güvenç (Fig. 3), and Karakuz (Fig. 4) areas formed along the major and minor thrust faults inside or bordering serpentinized ultramafic rocks. Thrust fault zones acted as pathways for hydrothermal fluids (Fig. 9a). Almost all of the silica-carbonate listwaenite in Cürek (Fig. 2) and the carbonate listwaenite in the Güvenç area (Fig. 3), however, seem to have formed by non-thrust fault related processes. In this type of listwaenite alteration the mineralizing fluids are considered to pass through a porous and weak (including a number of small scale cracks and faults) and highly altered serpentinite zone (Fig. 9b).

As is evidenced by remnant serpentinite fragments within listwaenite bodies, formation of listwaenites took place after serpentinization was completed in ophiolitic mélanges. Silica-carbonate (type I) listwaenite formation was initiated by the development of micro-crystalline cristobalite and quartz due to removal of silica from serpentinites. A minor amount of carbonate also was early. When SiO_2 , CO_2 and Ca were introduced into the system by hydrothermal fluids, macro-crystalline quartz, calcite, dolomite and ankerite precipitated from hydrothermal fluids. In carbonate (type II) listwaenites silica is absent or present in very small quantities in the hydrothermal fluids. Silica is present basically in a micro crystalline form with a very minor amount of macro crystalline quartz.

Introduction of Ca, CO₂, SiO₂, and the addition of As, Ag, Ba, Zn, Co, Ni and Sb into serpentinized ultramafic rock or, subsequently, into silica-carbonate (type I) listwaenite suggest an acidic nature for the hydrothermal fluids responsible for the chemical changes of serpentinite. However, during the formation of carbonate (type II) listwaenite, Ca, CO₂, As, Ag, Ba, and Pb are introduced into serpentinites while significant amount of silica is lacking. This suggests that the fluid evolves and changes in composition due to wall rock interaction or that two chemically different hydrothermal fluids affected the formation of different listwaenites in the Divrigi and Hekimhan districts. Absence of silica in the hydrothermal fluid for carbonate listwaenite results from one or a combination of the following reasons; lack of silica source, high pH (9 or more) fluid environment which retains Si in solution, lower oxygen fugacity or lower temperature.

Neither silica-carbonate or carbonate listwaenites carry any economic concentrations of Au or Ag in any of the study areas, although Au contents of up to 72 ppb in Güvenç and up to 37 ppb in Karakuz and Ag contents of up to 30 ppm in Güvenç (Uçurum, 1996) are sufficiently high as to warrant additional exploration. Base and precious metal concentrations are generally higher in silica-carbonate listwaenite than in carbonate listwaenite. This may suggest that additional silica in the silica-carbonate hydrothermal solutions is the major factor that controlled the concentrations of minor elements in hydrothermal fluids.

Hydrothermal fluids were enriched in Si, Ca, Pb, Ag, As, and Ba. Gold and sulfide complexes were probably derived from the ultramafic lithologies in a manner similar to that described by Buisson and Leblanc (1985, 1986).

The silica-carbonate listwaenites were formed from a meteoric hydrothermal fluid, enriched in SiO₂, CO₂, H₂O and Ca, characterized by low pH and low to moderate temperature (150-300 °C; Uçurum, 1996). They formed along thrust faults, and within highly serpentinized porous ultramafic zones. The meteoric hydrothermal fluids that formed the carbonate listwaenites were characterized by the presence of CO₂, H₂O, Ca with only minor SiO₂, high pH and moderate temperature (< 300 °C). All of the base and precious metals in both types of listwaenites were extracted from adjoining serpentinite.

CONCLUSIONS

The silica-carbonate (type I) listwaenite is characterized by presence of quartz+calcite+dolomite +ankerite±magnesite as major rock forming minerals. Carbonate (type II) listwaenite is mainly composed of calcite+dolomite+ankerite with only trace amounts of quartz and magnesite.

Both types of listwaenite have been recognized in the Güvenç and Karakuz areas, whereas only silica-carbonate is seen at Cürek. Silica-carbonate and carbonate listwaenite in Karakuz were formed along thrust fault zones in or bordering serpentinite. Silica-carbonate listwaenite and some of the carbonate listwaenite in Güvenç were also formed along thrust fault zones; however, most of the carbonate listwaenite was not formed along thrusts. The majority of listwaenites in the Cürek area did not form along faults but were controlled by some small fractures and other secondary permeability features within the serpentines.

Concentrations of Fe_2O_3 are greater in silica-carbonate than in carbonate listwaenite (Uçurum, 1996) and base and precious metals-elements are much more enriched in silicacarbonate than they are in carbonate listwaenites. Neither Au or Ag were especially enriched in most of the listwaenites in the study areas, although some local Au and Ag anomalies in the Güvenç and Karakuz area have been detected (Uçurum, 1996). Concentrations of Au and Ag are slightly higher in the silica-carbonate than in carbonate listwaenite.

Listwaenite was formed from serpentinized ultramafic rocks in the Divriği and Kuluncak ophiolitic melanges by hydrothermal fluids in the late Cretaceous. These silica-carbonate listwaenite bodies were formed from a hydrothermal fluid enriched in SiO₂, CO₂, H₂O and Ca, along thrust fault zones and within a highly serpentinized porous ultramafic zone. The hydrothermal fluids that formed the carbonate listwaenite are characterized by the presence of CO₂, H₂O, and Ca with only minor SiO₂. Base and precious metals in both listwaenite types were extracted in part from adjoining serpentinite. The formation temperature of the listwaenites was between 150 °C and 300 °C.

The formation model submitted here for listwaenite occurrences in east central Anatolia is probably adaptable model for all listwaenite formation in ophiolite belts of Turkey.

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