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Principal Services & Products

- Mineral Exploration & Property Evaluation, including
- Prospecting, Sampling, Drill Supervision and Core Logging.
- Mineralogical and Materials Science Studies, including
- Petrography of Rocks & Ores in Transmitted and Reflected Light
- Microprobe Analytical Techniques
- Interpretation of Whole-rock, Trace-element and Mineral-chemical Data
- Research on many Deposit Types and Geological Environments, including lode, skarn, epithermal and porphyry gold; magmatic nickel-copper-platinum; MVT zinc, etc.

Achievements & Resources

- >100 clients in industry, government and academia, 1985-
- >500 Turnstone reports completed, plus numerous publications and presentations
- 4,000 detailedpetrographicdescriptions
- >4,000 reference samples in searchable catalogues, plus many more in additional collections, covering many rock and mineral species and most deposit types
- In-house databases and other resources, e.g., the MINLIB Earth-Science Research Bibliography(>88,000 records) and its derivatives, with strengths in many topical geographic & geopolitical themes (>110,600 records in MINLIB&WORLD, Aug. 2018)
- Web site(2001-) with many features, e.g., 206 linked "Rocks of the Month" (Aug. 2018)
- Projects on six continents, through ~70 countries
- Extensive **fieldwork**, e.g.: regional prospecting and other surveys; old mine sites; the boulder find (with Dr. Gerald Harper) and Magma Metals' later drill discovery of the "Thunder Bay North" conduit-hosted, platinum-rich, Ni-Cu-PGE deposit, N.W. Ontario
- Office and lab facilities extensive libraries, reference rock and thin-section suites, petrographic and binocular digital photomicrography (Jenoptik cameras), magnetic susceptibility and specific gravity measurement, LW/SW UV lamps, metal detectors

Long-term Specialities

- Petrography & ore mineralogy (info for clients: http://www.turnstone.ca/petquo.pdf).
- Characterization of Geological, Metallurgical and other Materials, including
- "Rarities": meteorite classification; fulgurites; geoarchaeology (chert, metals, slags, etc.)
- Geographic strengths: the Americas, Indian subcontinent, Europe, and more
- Photography & photomicrography
- Broad studies of local geology and natural history