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# STUDY OF PETROGENESIS ANDESITE ROCK IN BUALEMO **REGION, NORTH GORONTALO REGENCY BASED ON XRF GEOCHEMISTRY ANALYSIS**

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#### ABSTRACT

The research area is in Bualemo Village, Kwandang District, North Gorontalo Regency. With coordinates 0° 47' 10" - 0° 48' 40" North Latitude and 122° 55' 0" - 122° 57' 5" East Longitude with an area of about 10 km2. This study aims to determine the petrogenesis of andesite rocks and the tectonic setting in the study area. The method used in this study is a mapping method to determine the geological conditions of the research site and geochemical analysis (XRF) to determine the chemical content of rocks. The results showed that the stratigraphy of the study area, sorted from oldest to youngest, was an andesite unit, an altered andesite unit, and an alluvial deposit unit. The geological structure in the study area is in the form of a tension joint with a general direction of relative north-south. Based on geochemistry results, it was found that the type of magma is tholeiitic, with is name basalt and basaltic trachyte andesite. The origin of the magma is island arc tholeiitic and island arc calc-alkaline basalt, with the tectonic setting of the study area being subduction between two oceans, namely between the Sulawesi sea plate and the Sula sea plate.

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## 1. Introduction

Petrogenesis studies is a field of science that focuses on the abundance of minerals observed in rock incisions under a microscope and analyzes the content of chemical elements in rocks to determine the formation process in rocks and their tectonic environmental conditions (Yuwono, 2015). Geochemistry is a grouping of the relative and absolute abundances of various elements on earth, the study of the distribution and migration of single elements in various places on earth with objects in the form of basic patterns of distribution and migration of elements (Mason, 1958).

Sulawesi is located at the collision of three large plates, namely the Indo-Australian plate, the Eurasian plate, and the Pacific plate and there is also a smaller plate located to the north, namely the Philippine plate (Hamilton, 1979; Hutchison, 1989; Hall and Wilson, 2000; Permana, 2018, 2019; Permana et al, 2021). This island was formed due to the collision of Sunda land, the

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easternmost part of the Eurasian plate, with the microcontinent of the Australian plate (Bachri, 2011).

The Kwandang area and its surroundings are an area with a geological setting that is very interesting to study because it is composed of complex rock formations of the Tertiary to Quaternary age. This rock formation was formed since the start of the collision of the Sula oceanic plate with the Sulawesi north arm oceanic plate, which was then followed by a collision towards the eastern arm of Sulawesi in the mid-Pliocene along with the formation of a subduction strip along the northern arm of Sulawesi until now (Hall and Spakman, 2015).

Previous research in the research area has been carried out (Harun, 2020), previous research in the Bualemo area with a map scale of 1:25,000. Bualemo Village is one of the villages located in Kwandang District, In previous research in the Bualemo area there were volcanic rocks that were included in the Bualemo Andesite Unit (Harun, 2020). Bualemo andesite is thought to have formed in the Middle Miocene to Late Miocene period (Bachri et al, 1994).

However, previous studies have not carried out more detailed research related to the petrogenesis of andesite rocks. Therefore, the authors are interested in exploring these rocks in more detail by conducting a petrogenesis study in order to produce new findings. For this reason, the purpose of this research is to study the petrogenesis of andesite rocks in the Bualemo area, North Gorontalo Regency based on XRF geochemistry analysis.

## 2. METHOD

## 2.1. Research Location

The research was conducted in Bualemo Village, Kwandang District, North Gorontalo Regency. With coordinates  $0^{\circ}$  47' 10" -  $0^{\circ}$  48' 40" North Latitude and 122° 55' 0" - 122° 57' 5" East Longitude, has an area of 10 km<sup>2</sup>.



Figure 1. Research location map





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#### 2.2. Research Method

In this study, the research method used the method of geological mapping and geochemical analysis. The geological mapping method used at the time of observation and data collection in the field. For geochemistry analysis, X-ray fluorescence (XRF) analysis was carried out on selected rock samples to determine the chemical content of the rocks. For geochemistry analysis, XRF was carried out at the Central Laboratory of Mineral Resources for Coal and Geothermal in Bandung. XRF analysis in geology is very important to determine the main chemical elements and trace elements of a rock, mineral, sediment, and liquid after interacting with radiation (Rollinson., 1993; Boogs., 2009; Shackley., 2011; Wahyudiono et al., 2016). ; Permana, 2018).

Data collection at the field in the form of lithological data, and geological structures as well as sampling for XRF geochemistry analysis will be carried out later. Lithological data collection was carried out to determine the stratigraphy of the research area, then geological structure data collection was carried out to determine the general direction of the geological structure found in the research area. Sampling is taken for geochemistry analysis and will be processed to find out the name of the rock, magma series, magma origin, and tectonics in the research area. Processing of geochemistry data is using *Petrograph* software.

# 3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

## 3.1 Stratigraphy

The stratigraphy of the study area consists of three lithological units, namely the andesite unit, altered andesite unit, and alluvial deposit unit. The andesite unit occupies 70% of the research location, with a thickness that can be seen on the map as 400 meters. The lithology contained in this unit is andesite rock with gray color, holocrystalline, massive with a mineral composition of plagioclase, pyroxene, and k-feldspar (Figure 2). This unit is included in the Bilungala Volcano Rock Formation (Tmbv) in the Tilamuta map geology sheet (Bachri et al, 1994).



**Figure 2.** Outcrop of andesite units at the research site and hand specimen of andesite rock samples

The altered andesite unit at the study site occupies 5% of the study site with a thickness of 200 meters. The lithology contained in this unit is andesite rock that has been altered with a brownishgray color, aphanitic, and holocrystalline with massive properties. Has a mineral composition such as a little quartz, k feldspar minerals, and plagioclase (Figure 3). This unit is included in the Bilungala Volcano Rock Formation unit (Tmbv) on the Tilamuta geological map sheet (Bachri et al, 1994).

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Figure 3. Outcrop of altered andesite units at the study site and hand specimen of altered andesite rock samples

The alluvial deposit unit occupies 25% with a thickness of 75 meters. The lithology contained in this unit is the result of weathering of rocks in the form of sand, gravel, gravel, to lumps, and is not compact (Figure 4). This unit belongs to the Alluvium Formation (Qal) on the geological map of the Tilamuta sheet (Bachri et al, 1994).



Figure 4. The appearance of alluvial deposits at the research site

The complete division of the three lithological units can be seen on the geological map of the Bualemo area, North Gorontalo Regency (Figure 5).

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Figure 5. Geological map of the research area

# 3.2 Geological Structure

At the research site, there is a primary geological structure in the form of a joint (Tension Joint), precisely located at ST 7 (Figure 6). After analyzing the joint structure data, the results of the relative joint direction are north-south with an N value of  $171^{\circ} \text{ E}/79^{\circ}$  (Figure 7).



Figure 6. Andesite rock outcrop with tension joint structure at the research site









Figure 7. The results of the analysis of the tension joint structure

# 3.3 Geochemistry

Geochemistry analysis (XRF) to determine the type of rock, magma series, and origin of magma to the tectonic setting in the research area. After geochemistry analysis (XRF) has been carried out, the results will be entered into several diagrams which will later determine the magma series to the tectonic setting of the research area. The following data results from geochemistry analysis (XRF) to produce major element data (Table 1). Two samples will be subject to geochemistry analysis, namely, sample ST 3 and sample ST 26. The diagrams used in this analysis are Na<sub>2</sub>O and K<sub>2</sub>O diagrams with SiO<sub>2</sub> (Le Bass et al, 1986), FeO\*/MgO vs SiO<sub>2</sub> diagrams (Miyashiro and Shido, 1975), and ternary diagrams of Na<sub>2</sub>O+K<sub>2</sub>O, FeO\* and MgO (Irvine and Baragar, 1971), and triangular diagrams of TiO<sub>2</sub>, MnOx<sub>10</sub>, P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>x<sub>10</sub> (Mullen, 1983).

Table 1. Table of major elements			
Sample Code	ST 3 (% Weight)	ST 26 (% Weight)	
SiO <sub>2</sub>	50,53	52,77	
$Al_2O_3$	15,68	18,50	
$Fe_2O_3$	13,28	9,86	
MgO	11,39	5,82	
CaO	2,81	5,39	
Na <sub>2</sub> O	3,72	3,29	
K <sub>2</sub> O	1,07	2,71	
TiO <sub>2</sub>	1,09	1,00	
$P_2O_5$	0,13	0,28	
MnO	0,30	0,38	
LOI	3,22	4,11	

Source: XRF Geochemical Analysis Results (2022)

## 3.3.1 Rock Type

The diagram used to determine the rock type in the St 3 and St 26 samples is a binary diagram of (Le Bass et al, 1986), this diagram is Total Alkali-Silica (TAS) namely the accumulation of Na<sub>2</sub>O

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+  $K_2O$  (Total Alkali) and SiO<sub>2</sub> (Silica). show that the two rock samples belong to the basic igneous rock group, Basalt and Basaltic-Trachy Andesite (Figure 8).



**Figure 8.** (Na<sub>2</sub>O+K<sub>2</sub>O) vs SiO<sub>2</sub> diagram (Le Bass et al, 1986)

# 3.3.2 Magma Series

Furthermore, the plotting is carried out on the AFM diagram of F (Total FeO), A ( $K_2O+NaO$ ), and M (MgO) (Irvine and Baragar, 1971). In this diagram, two types of magma series divided, namely Calc-Alkaline and Thoeleitic. Based on this diagram, it is know that the samples with codes St 3 and St 26 of the study area belong to the Tholeitic magma series, where in the tholeiitic magma series the Fe content is very rich and higher than that of the Tholeiitic magma series. alkaline element value. Based on the results of geochemistry analysis (XRF) the elemental Fe values at both stations were 6.89%-9.28% (Figure 9).



Figure 9. AFM diagram (Irvine and Baragar, 1971)





Then plotting the FeO/MgO vs  $SiO_2$  diagram (Miyashiro and Shido, 1975) both samples belong to the Tholeiitic magma series. Where this diagram is aligned with the Ternary AFM diagram of (Irvine and Baragar, 1971). In the Tholeiitic magma series, it can form in all tectonic settings (Figure 10).



Figure 10. FeO/MgO vs SiO<sub>2</sub> diagram (Miyashiro and Shido, 1975)

# 3.3.3 Magma Origin

This diagram shows in more detail the origin of magma, based on the plotting results from the ternary diagram (Mullen, 1983), St 3 belongs to the Tholeiitic Island Arc tectonic setting, and ST 26 belongs to the Calc-Alkaline Basalt Island tectonic setting. Based on the diagram above, it is possible that further tectonic events occurred in the ST 26 sample, which resulted in more acidic magma in the St 26 sample (Figure 11).



Figure 11. TiO<sub>2</sub>, MnOx10, P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>x10 triangle diagram (Mullen, 1983)







#### **3.4 Tectonic Setting**

Based on the results of the analysis of several diagrams above, show that there are two magma series contained in the rock of the study area with sample codes St 3 and St 26. The magma series formed at St 3 is Tholeitic based on the magma series diagram from (Irvine and Baragar, 1971) and the diagram binary from (Miyashiro and Shido, 1975). The tholeiitic magma series is a typical magma that forms in the early stages of island arc formation. The tholeiitic magma series is a type of magma that can exist in various tectonic settings, for St 3 basalt rocks belonging to a convergent tectonic setting or being in a subduction zone. This is evidenced by the TiO<sub>2</sub> content of <1.3% (Gill, 1981 in Yuwono, 2015), where the TiO<sub>2</sub> content in St 3 rock is 1.08%. The St. 26 rock according to the binary diagram (Le Bass et al, 1986) belongs to the Basaltic Trachyte Andesite rock. So it can be concluded that these two samples belong to the island arc. It is clarified by the analysis results from diagrams of TiO<sub>2</sub>, MnOx<sub>10</sub>, and P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>x<sub>10</sub> from (Mullen, 1983) where St 3 rock belongs to the origin of Tholeiitic Island Arc magma, and St 26 rock belongs to the origin of Island Arc Calc Alkaline Basalt magma. Both of these magma origins are included in the subduction zone/orogenous zone (island arc and active continental margin).

To find out the depth of magma origin can be calculated using the content of  $SiO_2$  and  $K_2O$  (Hutchinson, 1977). Calculations carried out to determine the depth of origin of magma can use the formula:

# $h=[320-(3,65 \times \% SiO_2)] + (25,52 \times \% K_2O)$

Based on calculations using this formula, it can be seen that the depth of origin of magma from rocks in the study area is at a depth of about 163-196 km below the earth's surface in the Benioff Zone. It is estimated that the rock was formed during the Middle Miocene to Late Miocene, when subduction occurred between two oceanic plates, namely between the Sulawesi sea plate and the Sula ocean plate about 15 to 10 million years ago (Hall and Spakman, 2015).

## 4. CONCLUSIONS

- 1) The stratigraphy of the study area divided into three lithological units, namely, the andesite unit, the altered andesite unit, and alluvial sediment unit.
- 2) The geological structure in the study area is in the form of tension joints and interpretation faults in the form of shear faults.
- 3) Based on the geochemistry analysis (XRF), it was found that the rock names are basalt and basaltic trachy andesite, the type of magma is theoleiitic, and the origin of the magma is island arc theoliitic and island arc alkaline basalt.
- 4) Tectonics that occur at the research area is the result of subduction between 2 oceanic plates, namely the Sulawesi sea plate and the Sula sea plate.

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5.	Results and Discussion	<ul> <li>Geological mapping that produces stratigraphy of the research area is not enough to support petrogenesis studies.</li> <li>Need petrographic analysis to analyze the types of minerals composing the rock and its petrogenesis analysis based on special textures in volcanic rocks, especially andesite.</li> <li>Major element analysis of the two samples cannot represent all of the outcrops observed in the field. In addition, the analysis results show a fairly high level of LOI (3.22% and 4.11%), indicating high alteration of the rock. So it is not sufficiently valid to show the nature and origin of the magma that forms andesite rocks in the research area.</li> </ul>
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Figure 2. Outcrop of andesite units at the research site (a) and hand specimen of andesite rock samples (b)

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Figure3. Outcrop of altered andesite units at the study site (a) and hand specimen of altered andesite rock samples (b)

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The alluvial deposit unit occupies 25% of the studied area and has a thickness of 75 meters. The lithology in this unit results from weathering rocks in the form of sand, gravel, and gravel to lumps and is not compact (Figure 4). This unit belongs to the Alluvium Formation (Qal) on the geological map of the Tilamuta sheet (Bachri et al., 1994). The division of the three lithological units can be seen on the geological map of the Bualemo area, North Gorontalo Regency (Figure 5).



Figure4. The appearance of alluvial deposits at the research site



Figure 5. Geological map of the research area

#### 3.2 Geological Structure

At the research site, there is a primary geological structure in the form of a joint (Tension Joint), precisely located at ST 7 (Figure 6). After analyzing the joint structure data, the results of the relative joint direction are north-south with an N value of 171° E/79° (Figure 7).

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Figure 6. Andesite rock outcrop with joint tension structure at the research site



Figure7. The results of the analysis of the joint tension structure

#### 3.3Geochemistry

Geochemistry analysis (XRF) to determine the type of rock, magma series, and origin of magma to the tectonic setting in the research area. The following data results from geochemistry analysis (XRF) produce major element data (Table 1). , and the chemicals composition for samples ST 3 and ST 26 is SiO<sub>2</sub> (50.53-52.77%), Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (15.68-18.50%), Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3T</sub> (13.28-9.86%), MgO (11.39-5.82%), CaO (2.81-5.39%), Na<sub>2</sub>O (3.72-3.29%), K<sub>2</sub>O (1.07-2.71%), TiO<sub>2</sub> (1.09-1.00%), P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> (0.13-0.28%), MnO (0.30-0.38%). Two samples will be subject to geochemistry analysis: sample ST 3 and sample ST 26.

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Sample Code	ST 3 (% Weight)	ST 26 (% Weight)	
SiO <sub>2</sub>	50.53	52.77	
$Al_2O_3$	15.68	18.50	
Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	13.28	9.86	
MgO	11.39	5.82	
CaO	2.81	5.39	
Na <sub>2</sub> O	3.72	3.29	
K <sub>2</sub> O	1.07	2.71	
TiO <sub>2</sub>	1.09	1.00	
$P_2O_5$	0.13	0.28	
MnO	0.30	0.38	
LOI	3.22	4.11	

3.3.1 Rock Type

The diagram used to determine the rock type  $\frac{in}{in}$  of the STt 3 and ST 26 samples is the binary diagram of Le Bass et al.(1986). This diagram is Total Alkali-Silica (TAS), namely the accumulation of Na<sub>2</sub>O + K<sub>2</sub>O (Total Alkali) and SiO<sub>2</sub> (Silica). The two rock samples belong to the basic igneous rock group, Basalt and Basaltic-Trachy Andesite (Figure 8).

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Figure 8. (Na<sub>2</sub>O+K<sub>2</sub>O) vs. SiO<sub>2</sub>diagram(Le Bass et al., 1986) of the studied rocks

3.3.2 Magma Series

Furthermore, the plotting is was carried out on the AFM diagram of F (Total FeO), A ( $K_2O+NaO$ ), and M (MgO) (Irvine and Baragar, 1971), as shown in Figure 9. In this diagram, two types of magma are divided: Calc-Alkaline and Thoeleitic. Based on this diagram, it belongs to the Tholeitic magma series, where in the tholeitic magma series, the Fe content is vibrant and higher than that of the Tholeitic magma series alkaline element value. Based on the geochemistry analysis (XRF) results, the elemental Fe values at both stations were 6.89%-9.28%.



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Figure 9. AFM diagram (Irvine & Baragar, 1971) of the studied rocks

Then plotting the FeO/MgO vs.  $SiO_2$  diagram (Miyashiro and Shido, 1975); both samples belong to the Tholeiitic magma series. This diagram is aligned with the Ternary AFM diagram (Irvine and Baragar, 1971). In the Tholeiitic magma series, it can form in all tectonic settings (Figure 10).



Figure 10. FeO/MgO vs. SiO2 diagram (Miyashiro & Shido, 1975)

#### 3.3.3 Magma Origin

The diagram of (Figure 11) shows magma's origin in more detail, based on the plotting results from the ternary diagram (Mullen, 1983). St 3 belongs to the Tholeiitic Island Arc tectonic setting, and while ST 26 belongs to the Calc-Alkaline Basalt Island tectonic setting. Based on the diagram above, it is possible that other tectonic events occurred in the ST 26 sample, which resulted in more acidic magma in the St 26 sample (Figure 11).



Figure 11. TiO<sub>2</sub>, MnOx10, P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>x10 triangle diagram (Mullen, 1983) of the studied rocks

#### 3.4 Tectonic Setting

Based on the analysis of several diagrams above, it is shown that two magma series are found in the studied area. The magma series formed at St 3 and St 26 is Tholeitic based on the magma series diagram of Irvine and Baragar(1971) and the diagram binary from (Miyashiro and Shido, 1975). The tholeiitic magma series is a typical magma that forms in the early stages of island arc formation. The tholeiitic magma series is a type of magma that can exist in various tectonic settings. For St 3 basalt rocks belonging to a convergent tectonic setting or subduction zone. This is evidenced by the TiO<sub>2</sub> content of <1.3% (Gill, 1981 in Yuwono, 2015), where the TiO<sub>2</sub> content

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in St 3 rock is 1.08%. The St. 26 rock, according to the binary diagram (Le Bass et al., 1986), belongs to the Basaltic Trachyte Andesite rock. So it can be concluded that these two samples belong to the island arc. It is clarified by the analysis results from diagrams of  $TiO_2$ ,  $MnOx_{10}$ , and  $P_2O_5x_{10}$  from (Mullen, 1983), where St 3 rock belongs to the origin of Tholeiitic Island Arc magma, and St 26 rock belongs to the origin of Island Arc Calc Alkaline Basalt magma. These magma origins are included in the subduction zone.

The subduction process will produce heat in the bending path so that high heat flow can cause magma activity in the Benioff line. To find out the depth of magma origin can be calculated using the content of  $SiO_2$  and  $K_2O$  (Hutchinson, 1977). Calculations carried out to determine the depth of origin of magma can use the formula:

#### $h=[320-(3,65 \times \% SiO_2)] + (25,52 \times \% K_2O)$

Based on calculations using this formula, it can be seen that the depth of origin of magma from rocks in the study area is at a depth of about 163-196 km below the earth's surface in the Benioff Zone. It is estimated that the rock was formed during the Middle Miocene to Late Miocene, when subduction occurred between two oceanic plates, namely between the Sulawesi sea plate and the Sula ocean plate, about 15 to 10 million years ago (HallandSpakman, 2015).

#### 4. CONCLUSIONS

Based on the petrological and geochemical analysis, the constituent rocks in the study area are andesite and altered andesite. The rock types obtained based on geochemical analysis are basalt and basaltic trachy andesite, with the type of magma being tholeiitic. The origin of magma in the rock comes from island arc tholeiitic and island arc calc-alkaline basalt. The research location area is the result of subduction between 2 oceans, namely between the Sulawesi sea plate and the Sula sea plate, around 15-10 million years ago, with a depth of origin of magma of 163-196 km, including in the Benioff zone.

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Figure 2. Outcrop of andesite units at the research site and hand specimen of andesite rock samples

The altered andesite unit at the study site occupies 5% of the site with a thickness of 200 meters. The lithology contained in this unit is andesite rock that has been altered with a brownish-gray color, aphanitic, and holocrystalline with massive properties. Has a mineral composition such as a little quartz, k feldspar minerals, and plagioclase (Figure 3). This unit is included in the Bilungala Volcano Rock Formation unit (Tmbv) on the Tilamuta geological map sheet (Bachri et al., 1994).

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Figure 3. Outcrop of altered andesite units at the study site and hand specimen of altered andesite rock samples

The alluvial deposit unit occupies 25% with a thickness of 75 meters. The lithology in this unit results from weathering rocks in the form of sand, gravel, and gravel to lumps and is not compact (Figure 4). This unit belongs to the Alluvium Formation (Qal) on the geological map of the Tilamuta sheet (Bachri et al., 1994).

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Figure 4. The appearance of alluvial deposits at the research site

The division of the three lithological units can be seen on the geological map of the Bualemo area, North Gorontalo Regency (Figure 5).

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Figure 5. Geological map of the research area

#### 3.2 Geological Structure

At the research site, there is a primary geological structure in the form of a joint (Tension Joint), precisely located at ST 7 (Figure 6). After analyzing the joint structure data, the results of the relative joint direction are north-south with an N value of 171° E/79° (Figure 7).



Figure 6. Andesite rock outcrop with tension joint structure at the research site

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Figure 7. The results of the analysis of the joint tension structure

#### 3.3 Geochemistry

Geochemistry analysis (XRF) to determine the type of rock, magma series, and origin of magma to the tectonic setting in the research area. After geochemistry analysis (XRF) has been carried out, the results will be entered into several diagrams, which will later determine the magma series to the tectonic setting of the research area. The following data results from of geochemistry analysis (XRF) are shown in to produce major element data (Table 1). Two samples will be subject to geochemistry analysis: sample ST 3 and sample ST 26. The diagrams used in this analysis are Na<sub>2</sub>O and  $K_2O$  diagrams with SiO<sub>2</sub> (Le Bass et al., 1986), FeO\* /MgO vs. SiO<sub>2</sub> diagrams (Miyashiro and Shido, 1975), and ternary diagrams of Na<sub>2</sub>O+K<sub>2</sub>O, FeO\* and MgO (Irvine and Baragar, 1971), and triangular diagrams of TiO<sub>2</sub>, MnOx<sub>107</sub>, P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>\*<sub>10</sub> (Mullen, 1983).

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Table 1. Table of major elements		
Sample Code	ST 3 (% Weight)	ST 26 (% Weight)
SiO <sub>2</sub>	50,53	52,77
$Al_2O_3$	15,68	18,50
$Fe_2O_3$	13,28	9,86
MgO	11,39	5,82
CaO	2,81	5,39
Na <sub>2</sub> O	3,72	3,29
$K_2O$	1,07	2,71
TiO <sub>2</sub>	1,09	1,00
$P_2O_5$	0,13	0,28
MnO	0,30	0,38
LOI	3,22	4,11
Source: XRE Geochemical Analysis Results (2022)		

#### 3.3.1 Rock Type

The diagram used to determine the rock type in the St 3 and 26 samples is a the binary diagram of Le Bass et al. (1986). This diagram is Total Alkali-Silica (TAS), namely the accumulation of

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Figure 8. (Na<sub>2</sub>O+K<sub>2</sub>O) vs. SiO<sub>2</sub> diagram (Le Bass et al., 1986) of the studied rocks

#### 3.3.2 Magma Series

Furthermore, the plotting is carried out on the AFM diagram of F (Total FeO), A ( $K_2O+NaO$ ), and M (MgO) (Irvine and Baragar, 1971) as shown in Figure 9. In this diagram, two types of magma are divided: Calc-Alkaline and Thoeleitic. Based on this diagram, it is known that the both samples with codes St 3 and St 26 of the study area belong to the Tholeitic magma series, where in the tholeitic magma series, the Fe content is very rich and higher than that of the Tholeitic magma series. Alkaline element value, Based on the geochemistry analysis (XRF) results, the elemental Fe values at both stations were 6.89%-9.28% (Figure 9).



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Figure 9. AFM diagram (Irvine and Baragar, 1971) of the studied rocks

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Then plotting the FeO/MgO vs.  $SiO_2$  diagram (Miyashiro and Shido, 1975); both samples belong to the Tholeiitic magma series. This diagram is aligned with the Ternary AFM diagram (Irvine and Baragar, 1971). In the Tholeiitic magma series, it can form in all tectonic settings (Figure 10).



Figure 10. FeO/MgO vs. SiO2 diagram (Miyashiro and Shido, 1975)

#### 3.3.3 Magma Origin

This diagram shows magma's origin in more detail, based on the plotting results from the ternary diagram (Mullen, 1983), St 3 belongs to the Tholeiitic Island Arc tectonic setting, and ST 26 belongs to the Calc-Alkaline Basalt Island tectonic setting. Based on the diagram above, it is possible that other tectonic events occurred in the ST 26 sample, which resulted in more acidic magma in the St 26 sample (Figure 11).



Figure 11. TiO<sub>2</sub>, MnOx10, P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>x10 triangle diagram (Mullen, 1983) of the studied rocks

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#### **3.4 Tectonic Setting**

Based on the analysis of several diagrams above, it is shown that two magma series are found contained in the studied area's rock with sample codes St 3 and St 26. The magma series formed at St 3 is Tholeitic based on the magma series diagram from of Irvine and Baragar (1971) and the diagram binary from (Miyashiro and Shido, 1975). The tholeitic magma series is a typical magma that forms in the early stages of island arc formation. The tholeitic magma series is a type of magma that can exist in various tectonic settings, for St 3 basalt rocks belonging to a convergent tectonic setting or subduction zone. This is evidenced by the TiO<sub>2</sub> content of <1.3% (Gill, 1981 in Yuwono, 2015), where the TiO<sub>2</sub> content in St 3 rock is 1.08%. The St. 26 rock, according to the binary diagram (Le Bass et al., 1986), belongs to the Basaltic Trachyte Andesite rock. So it can be concluded that these two samples belong to the island arc. It is clarified by the analysis results from diagrams of TiO<sub>2</sub>, MnOx<sub>10</sub>, and P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>x<sub>10</sub> from (Mullen, 1983), where St 3 rock belongs to the origin of Tsland Arc Calc Alkaline Basalt magma. These magma origins are included in the subduction zone/orogenous zone (island arc and active continental margin).

To find out the depth of magma origin can be calculated using the content of  $SiO_2$  and  $K_2O$  (Hutchinson, 1977). Calculations carried out to determine the depth of origin of magma can use the formula:

#### $h = [320-(3,65 \times \% SiO_2)] + (25,52 \times \% K_2O)$

Based on calculations using this formula, it can be seen that the depth of origin of magma from rocks in the study area is at a depth of about 163-196 km below the earth's surface in the Benioff Zone. It is estimated that the rock was formed during the Middle Miocene to Late Miocene, when subduction occurred between two oceanic plates, namely between the Sulawesi sea plate and the Sula ocean plate, about 15 to 10 million years ago (Hall and Spakman, 2015).

#### 4. CONCLUSIONS

- The stratigraphy of the study area is divided into three lithological units: the andesite unit, the altered andesite unit, and the alluvial sediment unit.
- The geological structure in the study area is tension joints and interpretation faults in the form of shear faults.
- 3) Based on the geochemistry analysis (XRF), it was found that the rock names are basalt and basaltic trachy andesite, the type of magma is theoleiitic, and the origin of the magma is island arc theoliitic and island arc alkaline basalt.
- 4) Tectonics in the research area result from subduction between 2 oceanic plates, namely the Sulawesi sea plate and the Sula sea plate.

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The alluvial deposit unit occupies 25% of the studied area and has a thickness of 75 meters. The lithology in this unit results from weathering rocks in the form of sand, gravel, and gravel to lumps and is not compact (Figure 4). This unit belongs to the Alluvium Formation (Qal) on the geological map of the Tilamuta sheet (Bachri et al., 1994). The division of the three lithological units can be seen on the geological map of the Bualemo area, North Gorontalo Regency (Figure 5).



Figure4. The appearance of alluvial deposits at the research site

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Figure 5. Geological map of the research area

#### **3.2 Geological Structure**

At the research site, there is a primary geological structure in the form of a joint (*tension joint*), precisely located at ST 7 (Figure 6). After analyzing the joint structure data, the results of the relative joint direction are north-south with an N value of  $171^{\circ} \text{ E}/79^{\circ}$  (Figure 7).



Figure 6. Andesite rock outcrop with joint tension structure at the research site



Figure7. The results of the analysis of the joint tension structure

#### 3.3Geochemistry

Geochemistry analysis (XRF) to determine the type of rock, magma series, and origin of magma to the tectonic setting in the research area. The following data results from geochemistry analysis (XRF) produce major element data (Table 1). The chemicals composition for samples ST 3 and ST 26 is SiO<sub>2</sub> (50.53-52.77%), Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (15.68-18.50%), Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3T</sub> (13.28-9.86%), MgO (11.39-5.82%), CaO (2.81-5.39%), Na<sub>2</sub>O (3.72-3.29%), K<sub>2</sub>O (1.07-2.71%), TiO<sub>2</sub> (1.09-1.00%), P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> (0.13-0.28%), MnO (0.30-0.38%). The two samples after being analyzed produce 10 main elements which will be processed in several diagrams.

Sample Code	ST 3 (% Weight)	ST 26 (% Weight)
SiO <sub>2</sub>	50.53	52.77
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	15.68	18.50
$Fe_2O_3$	13.28	9.86
MgO	11.39	5.82
CaO	2.81	5.39
Na <sub>2</sub> O	3.72	3.29
K <sub>2</sub> O	1.07	2.71
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$P_2O_5$	0.13	0.28
MnO	0.30	0.38
LOI	3.22	4.11

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#### 3.3.1 Rock Type

The diagram used to determine the rock type in of the ST $\pm$  3 and ST 26 samples is the binary diagram of Le Bass et al.(1986). This diagram is Total Alkali-Silica (TAS), namely the accumulation of Na<sub>2</sub>O + K<sub>2</sub>O (Total Alkali) and SiO<sub>2</sub> (Silica). The two rock samples belong to the basic igneous rock group, Basalt (St 3) and Basaltic-Trachy Andesite (St 26) (Figure 8).



Figure 8. (Na<sub>2</sub>O+K<sub>2</sub>O) vs. SiO<sub>2</sub>diagram(Le Bass et al., 1986) of the studied rocks

#### 3.3.2 Magma Series

Furthermore, the plotting is was carried out on the AFM diagram of F (Total FeO), A ( $K_2O+NaO$ ), and M (MgO) (Irvine and Baragar, 1971), as shown in Figure 9. In this diagram, two types of magma are divided: Calc-Alkaline and Thoeleitic. Based on this diagram, it belongs to the Tholeitic magma series, where in the tholeiitic magma series, the Fe content is vibrant and higher than that of the Tholeiitic magma series alkaline element value. Based on the geochemistry analysis (XRF) results, the elemental Fe values at both stations were 6.89%-9.28%.



Figure 9. AFM diagram (Irvine & Baragar, 1971) of the studied rocks

Then plotting the FeO/MgO vs.  $SiO_2$  diagram (Miyashiro and Shido, 1975); both samples belong to the Tholeiitic magma series. This diagram is aligned with the Ternary AFM diagram (Irvine and Baragar, 1971). Tholeiitic magma can form in all tectonic settings (Figure 10).

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Figure 10. FeO/MgO vs. SiO<sub>2</sub> diagram (Miyashiro & Shido, 1975)

#### 3.3.3 Magma Origin

The diagram of (Figure 11) shows magma's origin in more detail, based on the plotting results from the ternary diagram (Mullen, 1983). St 3 belongs to the Tholeiitic Island Arc, while ST 26 belongs to the Calc-Alkaline Basalt Island tectonic setting. Based on the diagram above, it is possible that other tectonic events occurred in the ST 26 sample, which resulted in more acidic magma in the St 26 sample (Figure 11).



Figure 11. TiO<sub>2</sub>, MnOx10, P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>x10 triangle diagram (Mullen, 1983) of the studied rocks

#### 3.4 Tectonic Setting

The magma series formed at St 3 and St 26 is Tholeitic based on the magma series diagram of Irvine and Baragar(1971) and the diagram binary from (Miyashiro and Shido, 1975). The tholeiitic magma series is a typical magma that forms in the early stages of island arc formation. The tholeiitic magma series is a type of magma that can exist in various tectonic settings. For St 3 basalt rocks belonging to a convergent tectonic setting or subduction zone. This is evidenced by the TiO<sub>2</sub> content of <1.3% (Gill, 1981 in Yuwono, 2015), where the TiO<sub>2</sub> content in St 3 rock is 1.08%. The St. 26 rock, according to the binary diagram (Le Bass et al., 1986), belongs to the Basaltic Trachyte Andesite rock. So it can be concluded that these two samples belong to the



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island arc. It is clarified by the analysis results from diagrams of  $TiO_2$ ,  $MnOx_{10}$ , and  $P_2O_5x_{10}$  from (Mullen, 1983), where St 3 rock belongs to the origin of Tholeiitic Island Arc magma, and St 26 rock belongs to the origin of Island Arc Calc Alkaline Basalt magma. These magma origins are included in the subduction zone.

The subduction process will produce heat in the bending path so that high heat flow can cause magma activity in the Benioff line. To find out the depth of magma origin can be calculated using the content of  $SiO_2$  and  $K_2O$  (Hutchinson, 1977). Calculations carried out to determine the depth of origin of magma can use the formula:

#### $h=[320-(3,65 \times \% SiO_2)] + (25,52 \times \% K_2O)$

Based on calculations using this formula, it can be seen that the depth of origin of magma from rocks in the study area is at a depth of about 163-196 km below the earth's surface in the Benioff Zone. It is estimated that the rock was formed during the Middle Miocene to Late Miocene, when subduction occurred between two oceanic plates, namely between the Sulawesi sea plate and the Sula ocean plate, about 15 to 10 million years ago (Hall and Spakman, 2015).

#### 4. CONCLUSIONS

Based on the petrological and geochemical analysis, the constituent rocks in the study area are andesite and altered andesite. The rock types obtained based on geochemical analysis are basalt and basaltic trachy andesite, with the type of magma being tholeiitic. The origin of magma in the rock comes from island arc tholeiitic and island arc calc-alkaline basalt. The research location area is the result of subduction between 2 oceans, namely between the Sulawesi sea plate and the Sula sea plate, around 15-10 million years ago, with a depth of origin of magma of 163-196 km, including in the Benioff zone.

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The alluvial deposit unit occupies 25% of studied area and a thickness of 75 meters. The lithology in this unit results from weathering rocks in the form of sand, gravel, and gravel to lumps and is not compact (Figure 4). This unit belongs to the Alluvium Formation (Qal) on the geological map of the Tilamuta sheet (Bachri et al., 1994). The division of the three lithological units can be seen on the geological map of the Bualemo area, North Gorontalo Regency (Figure 5).



Figure4. The appearance of alluvial deposits at the researchsite

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Figure 5. Geological map of the research area

#### **3.2 Geological Structure**

At the research site, there is a primary geological structure in the form of a joint (Tension Joint), precisely located at ST 7 (Figure 6). After analyzing the joint structure data, the results of the relative joint direction are north-south with an N value of  $171^{\circ} \text{ E}/79^{\circ}$  (Figure 7).



Figure6. Andesite rock outcrop with tension joint structure at the research site

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Figure7. The results of the analysis of the joint tension structure

#### 3.3Geochemistry

Geochemistry analysis (XRF) to determine the type of rock, magma series, and origin of magma to the tectonic setting in the research area.. The following data results from of geochemistry analysis (XRF) are shown in to produce major element data (Table 1), and the chemicals composition for sample ST 3 and ST 26 is SiO<sub>2</sub> (50.53-52.77%), Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (15.68-18.50%), Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (13.28-9.86%), MgO (11.39-5.82%), CaO (2.81-5.39%), Na<sub>2</sub>O (3.72-3.29%), K<sub>2</sub>O (1.07-2.71%), TiO<sub>2</sub> (1.09-1.00%), P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> (0.13-0.28%), MnO (0.30-0.38%). Two samples will be subject to geochemistry analysis: sample ST 3 and sample ST 26.

Table 1. Table of majorelements				
Sample Code	ST 3 (% Weight)	ST 26 (% Weight)		
SiO <sub>2</sub>	50.53	52.77		
$Al_2O_3$	15.68	18.50		
$Fe_2O_3$	13.28	9.86		
MgO	11.39	5.82		
CaO	2.81	5.39		
Na <sub>2</sub> O	3.72	3.29		
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TiO <sub>2</sub>	1.09	1.00		
$P_2O_5$	0.13	0.28		
MnO	0.30	0.38		
LOI	3.22	4.11		

Source: XRF Geochemical Analysis Results (2022)





#### 3.3.1 Rock Type

The diagram used to determine the rock type in the St 3 and 26 samples is a the binary diagram of Le Bass et al.(1986). This diagram is Total Alkali-Silica (TAS), namely the accumulation of  $Na_2O + K_2O$  (Total Alkali) and SiO<sub>2</sub> (Silica). show that the two rock samples belong to the basic igneous rock group, Basalt and Basaltic-Trachy Andesite (Figure 8).

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Figure8.(Na<sub>2</sub>O+K<sub>2</sub>O) vs. SiO<sub>2</sub>diagram(Le Bass et al., 1986) of the studied rocks

#### 3.3.2 Magma Series

Furthermore, the plotting is carried out on the AFM diagram of F (Total FeO), A ( $K_2O+NaO$ ), and M (MgO) (Irvine and Baragar, 1971) as shown in Figure 9. In this diagram, two types of magma are divided: Calc-Alkaline and Thoeleitic. Based on this diagram, belong to the Tholeitic magma series, where in the tholeitic magma series, the Fe content is very rich and higher than that of the Tholeitic magma series alkaline element value. Based on the geochemistry analysis (XRF) results, the elemental Fe values at both stations were 6.89%-9.28%.





Figure9.AFM diagram(Irvine andBaragar, 1971) of the studied rocks

Then plotting the FeO/MgO vs.  $SiO_2$  diagram (Miyashiro and Shido, 1975); both samples belong to the Tholeiitic magma series. This diagram is aligned with the Ternary AFM diagram (Irvine and Baragar, 1971). In the Tholeiitic magma series, it can form in all tectonic settings (Figure 10).



Figure 10.FeO/MgO vs. SiO<sub>2</sub>diagram(Miyashiro andShido, 1975)

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#### 3.3.3 Magma Origin

The diagram of (Figure 11) shows magma's origin in more detail, based on the plotting results from the ternary diagram (Mullen, 1983), St 3 belongs to the Tholeiitic Island Arc tectonic setting, and ST 26 belongs to the Calc-Alkaline Basalt Island tectonic setting. Based on the diagram above, it is possible that other tectonic events occurred in the ST 26 sample, which resulted in more acidic magma in the St 26 sample (Figure 11).

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Figure 11.TiO<sub>2</sub>, MnOx10, P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>x10 trianglediagram (Mullen, 1983) of the studied rocks

#### **3.4 Tectonic Setting**

Based on the analysis of several diagrams above, it is shown that two magma series are found in the studied area. The magma series formed at St 3 and St 26 is Tholeitic based on the magma series diagram of Irvine and Baragar(1971) and the diagram binary from (Miyashiro and Shido, 1975). The tholeiitic magma series is a typical magma that forms in the early stages of island arc formation. The tholeiitic magma series is a type of magma that can exist in various tectonic settings. For St 3 basalt rocks belonging to a convergent tectonic setting or subduction zone. This is evidenced by the TiO<sub>2</sub> content of <1.3% (Gill, 1981 in Yuwono, 2015), where the TiO<sub>2</sub> content in St 3 rock is 1.08%. The St. 26 rock, according to the binary diagram (Le Bass et al., 1986), belongs to the Basaltic Trachyte Andesite rock. So it can be concluded that these two samples belong to the island arc. It is clarified by the analysis results from diagrams of TiO<sub>2</sub>, MnOx<sub>10</sub>, and P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>x<sub>10</sub> from (Mullen, 1983), where St 3 rock belongs to the origin of Tholeiitic Island Arc magma, and St 26 rock belongs to the origin of Island Arc Calc Alkaline Basalt magma. These magma origins are included in the subduction zone.

The subduction process will produce heat in the bending path so that high heat flow can cause magma activity in the Benioff line. To find out the depth of magma origin can be calculated using the content of  $SiO_2$  and  $K_2O$  (Hutchinson, 1977). Calculations carried out to determine the depth of origin of magma can use the formula:

 $h = [320-(3,65 \times \% SiO_2)] + (25,52 \times \% K_2O)$ 

Based on calculations using this formula, it can be seen that the depth of origin of magma from rocks in the study area is at a depth of about 163-196 km below the earth's surface in the Benioff Zone. It is estimated that the rock was formed during the Middle Miocene to Late Miocene, when



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subduction occurred between two oceanic plates, namely between the Sulawesi sea plate and the Sula ocean plate, about 15 to 10 million years ago (HallandSpakman, 2015).

#### 4. CONCLUSIONS

Based on petrological analysis and geochemical analysis, the constituent rocks in the study area are andesite and altered andesite. The rock types obtained based on geochemical analysis are basalt and basaltic trachy andesite, with the type of magma being thholeiitic. The origin of the magma in the rock comes from island arc tholeitic and island arc calc alkaline basalt. The research location area is the result of subduction between 2 oceans, namely between the Sulawesi sea plate and the Sula sea plate around 15-10 million years ago, with a depth of origin of magma of 163-196 km including in the benioff zone.

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## Study of Petrogenesis Andesite Rock in Bualemo Region, North Gorontalo Regency Based on XRF Geochemistry Analysis

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#### ABSTRACT

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The research area is Bualemo Village, Kwandang District, North Gorontalo Regency. With coordinates 0° 47' 10" - 0° 48' 40" North Latitude and 122° 55' 0" - 122° 57' 5" East Longitude with an area of about 10 km<sup>2</sup>. This study aims to determine the petrogenesis of andesite rocks and the tectonic setting in the study area. The method used in this study is a mapping method to determine the geological conditions of the research site and X-ray fluorescence (XRF) geochemical analysis to determine the chemical content of rocks. The results showed that the stratigraphy of the study area, sorted from oldest to youngest, was an andesite unit, an altered andesite unit, and an alluvial deposit unit. The geological structure in the study area is a tension joint with a general direction of relative north-south. The tension joint structure data analysis results have a value of N 171°E/79°. Based on geochemistry results, it was found that the type of magma is tholeiitic, with its name basalt and basaltic trachyte andesite. The origin of the magma is island arc tholeiitic and island arc calc-alkaline basalt, with the tectonic setting of the study area being subduction between two oceans, namely between the Sulawesi sea plate and the Sula plate.

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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

Petrogenesis studies is a field of science that focuses on the abundance of minerals observed in rock incisions under a microscope or analyzes the content of chemical elements in rocks to determine the formation process in rocks and their tectonic environmental conditions (Yuwono, 2015). Geochemistry is a grouping of the relative and absolute abundances of various elements on earth, the study of the distribution and migration of single parts in multiple places on earth with objects in the form of basic patterns of distribution and migration of elements (Alekseenko & Alekseenko, 2013; Adi, 2021). This study used X-ray fluorescence (XRF) spectroscopy analysis, an analytical technique that detects X-ray radiation from the emitted sample in the analyzed sample as a basis (Simon, 2012; Nasrazadani & Shokrollah, 2016).

Sulawesi is located at the subduction of three large tectonic plates: the Indo-Australian, the Eurasian, and the Pacific. A smaller plate is also located to the north, namely the Philippines (Hamilton, 1979; Hutchison, 1989; Hall & Wilson, 2000; Payuyu et al., 2022; Permana et al., 2022). The island was formed due to the collision of Sunda land, the easternmost part of the Eurasian plate, with the microcontinent of the Australian plate (Bachri, 2011).



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The geological setting of Kwandang is exciting to study because it is composed of complex rock formations of the Tertiary to Quaternary age. This rock formation was formed since the start of the collision of the Sula plate with the Sulawesi sea plate, which was then followed by a collision towards the eastern arm of Sulawesi in the mid-Pliocene along with the formation of a subduction strip along the northern arm of Sulawesi until now (Hall & Spakman, 2015). Harun (2020) research used the mapping method to determine the geological conditions of the study area. Bualemo Village is one of the villages located in the Kwandang District. In previous research in the Bualemo area, volcanic rocks were included in the Bualemo Andesite Unit (Harun, 2020). Bualemo andesite was thought to have formed in the Middle to Late Miocene period (Bachri et al., 1994). However, no previous studies describe the petrogenesis of andesite rocks. This research aims to describe the petrogenesis of andesite rocks. This research aims to describe the petrogenesis of andesite rocks. This research aims to ARF geochemistry analysis.

#### 2. METHOD

#### 2.1. Research Location

The research was conducted in Bualemo Village, Kwandang District, North Gorontalo Regency. With coordinates  $0^{\circ} 47' 10'' - 0^{\circ} 48' 40''$  and  $122^{\circ} 55' 0'' - 122^{\circ} 57' 5''$ . The area of the research location is  $10 \text{ km}^2$  (Figure 1).

#### 2.2. Research Method

In this study, geological mapping and geochemical analysis are applied. The geological mapping method was used during observation and data collection in the field. X-ray fluorescence (XRF) analysis at the Central Laboratory of Mineral Resources for Coal and Geothermal in Bandung was carried out on selected rock samples to determine the chemical content of the rocks. XRF analysis is essential to determine the major oxides and trace element composition of a rock, mineral, sediment, and liquid (Rollinson, 1993; Boogs, 2009; Shackley, 2011; Wahyudiono et al., 2016; Permana, 2018; Permana, 2019).



Figure 1. Research location map

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Data collection in the field includes lithological data, geological structures, and sampling for XRF geochemistry analysis. Lithological data collection was carried out to determine the stratigraphy of the research area. Geological structure data collection was carried out to determine the general direction of the geological structure found in the research area. Samples for geochemistry analysis were selected to determine the name of the rock, magma series, magma origin, and tectonics in the research area. The software used to process geochemical data is *Petrograph* 

#### 3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

#### 3.1. Stratigraphy

The stratigraphy of the study area consists of three lithological units, namely the andesite, altered andesite, and alluvial deposit. The andesite unit occupies 70% of the research location, with a thickness of 400 meters. The lithology contained in this unit is andesite rock with gray color, holocrystalline, massive, and mineral composition is plagioclase, pyroxene, and k-feldspar (Figure 2). This unit is included in the Bilungala Volcano Rock Formation (Tmbv) in the Tilamuta map geology sheet (Bachri et al., 1994).



Figure 2. a) Outcrop of andesite unit at the research site; b) hand specimen of the andesite rock sample.



Figure 3. a) Outcrop of altered andesite unit at the study site; b) Hand specimen of the altered andesite rock sample.

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Figure 4. The appearance of alluvial deposits at the research site



Figure 5. Geological map of the research area

The altered andesite unit at the study site occupies 5% of the studied location with a thickness of 200 meters. The lithology contained in this unit is andesite rock that has been altered with a brownish-gray color, aphanitic, and holocrystalline massive properties. The rock has a mineral composition such as a little quartz, k feldspar minerals, and plagioclase (Figure 3). This unit is included in the Bilungala Volcano Rock Formation unit (Tmbv) on the Tilamuta geological map sheet (Bachri et al., 1994).

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Figure 6. Andesite rock outcrop with joint tension structure at the research site.



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The alluvial deposit unit occupies 25% of the studied area and has a thickness of 75 meters. The lithology in this unit results from weathering rocks in the form of sand, gravel, and gravel to lumps and is not compact (Figure 4). This unit belongs to the Alluvium Formation (Qal) on the geological map of the Tilamuta sheet (Bachri et al., 1994). The division of the three lithological units can be seen on the geological map of the Bualemo area, North Gorontalo Regency (Figure 5).

#### 3.2. Geological Structure

At the research site, there is a primary geological structure in the form of a joint (*tension joint*) precisely located at ST 7 (Figure 6). After analyzing the joint structure data, the results of the relative joint direction are north-south with an value of N 171° E/79° (Figure 7).

#### 3.3. Geochemistry

Geochemistry analysis (XRF) to determine the type of rock, magma series, and origin of magma to the tectonic setting in the research area. The following data results from geochemistry analysis (XRF) produce major element data (Table 1). The chemicals composition for samples ST 3 and ST 26 is SiO<sub>2</sub> (50.53-52.77%), Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (15.68-18.50%), Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3T</sub> (13.28-9.86%), MgO (11.39-5.82%), CaO (2.81-5.39%), Na<sub>2</sub>O (3.72-3.29%), K<sub>2</sub>O (1.07-2.71%), TiO<sub>2</sub> (1.09-1.00%), P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> (0.13-0.28%), MnO (0.30-0.38%). The two samples, after being analyzed, produce ten main elements, which will be processed in several diagrams.

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LOI	3.22	4.11

#### Table 1. Geochemistry analysis (XRF) produce major element data

#### 3.3.1. Rock type

The diagram used to determine the rock type ST 3 and ST 26 samples is the binary diagram of Le Bass et al. (1986). This diagram is Total Alkali-Silica (TAS), namely the accumulation of Na<sub>2</sub>O +  $K_2O$  (Total Alkali) and SiO<sub>2</sub> (Silica). The two rock samples belong to the basic igneous rock group, Basalt (St 3) and Basaltic-Trachy Andesite (St 26) (Figure 8a).

#### 3.3.2. Magma series

Furthermore, the plotting was carried out on the AFM diagram of F (Total FeO), A ( $K_2O+NaO$ ), and M (MgO) (Irvine & Baragar, 1971), as shown in Figure 8b. In this diagram, two types of magma are divided: Calc-Alkaline and Thoeleitic. Based on this diagram, it belongs to the Tholeitic magma series, where in the tholeitic magma series, the Fe content is vibrant and higher than that of the Tholeitic magma series alkaline element value. Based on the geochemistry analysis (XRF) results, the elemental Fe values at both stations were 6.89%-9.28%.

Then plotting the FeO/MgO vs.  $SiO_2$  diagram (Miyashiro & Shido, 1975); both samples belong to the Tholeiitic magma series. This diagram is aligned with the Ternary AFM diagram (Irvine & Baragar, 1971). Tholeiitic magma can form in all tectonic settings (Figure 9a).

#### 3.3.3. Magma origin

The diagram of Figure 9b shows magma's origin in more detail, based on the plotting results from the ternary diagram (Mullen, 1983). St 3 belongs to the Tholeiitic Island Arc, while ST 26 belongs to the Calc-Alkaline Basalt Island tectonic setting. Based on the diagram above, it is possible that other tectonic events occurred in the ST 26 sample, which resulted in more acidic magma in the St 26 sample (Figure 9b).

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The magma series formed at St 3 and St 26 is Tholeitic based on the magma series diagram of Irvine & Baragar (1971) and the diagram binary from (Miyashiro & Shido, 1975). The tholeiitic magma series is a typical magma that forms in the early stages of island arc formation. The tholeiitic magma series is a type of magma that can exist in various tectonic settings. For St 3 basalt rocks belonging to a convergent tectonic setting or subduction zone. This is evidenced by the TiO<sub>2</sub> content of <1.3% (Gill, 1981 in Yuwono, 2015), where the TiO<sub>2</sub> content in St 3 rock is 1.08%. The St. 26 rock, according to the binary diagram (Le Bass et al., 1986), belongs to the Basaltic Trachyte Andesite rock. So it can be concluded that these two samples belong to the island arc. It is clarified by the analysis results from diagrams of TiO<sub>2</sub>, MnOx<sub>10</sub>, and P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>x<sub>10</sub> from (Mullen, 1983), where St 3 rock belongs to the origin of Tholeiitic Island Arc magma, and St 26 rock belongs to the origin of Island Arc Calc Alkaline Basalt magma. These magma origins are included in the subduction zone.

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h= [320-(3,65 x % SiO<sub>2</sub>)] + (25,52 x % K<sub>2</sub>O)

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**Figure 8.** a)  $Na_2O+K_2O$  vs.  $SiO_2$  diagram (Le Bass et al., 1986) of the studied rocks; b) AFM diagram (Irvine & Baragar, 1971) of the studied rocks.



**Figure 9.** a) FeO/MgO vs.  $SiO_2$  diagram (Miyashiro & Shido, 1975); b)  $TiO_2$ , MnOx10,  $P_2O_5x10$  triangle diagram (Mullen, 1983) of the studied rocks.

Based on calculations using this formula, it can be seen that the depth of origin of magma from rocks in the study area is at a depth of about 163-196 km below the earth's surface in the Benioff Zone. It is estimated that the rock was formed during the Middle Miocene to Late Miocene, when subduction occurred between two oceanic plates, namely between the Sulawesi sea plate and the Sula ocean plate, about 15 to 10 million years ago (Hall & Spakman, 2015).

#### 4. CONCLUSIONS

Based on the petrological and geochemical analysis, the constituent rocks in the study area are andesite and altered andesite. The rock types obtained based on geochemical analysis are basalt and basaltic trachy andesite, with the type of magma being tholeiitic. The origin of magma in the rock comes from island arc tholeiitic and island arc calc-alkaline basalt. The research location area is the result of subduction between 2 oceans, namely between the Sulawesi sea plate and the Sula sea plate, around 15-10 million years ago, with a depth of origin of magma of 163-196 km, including in the Benioff zone.

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