

ANALYSIS REPORT

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Your reference: "Bijla 2021 | 02/08/22" and "Dollarddijk | 02/08/22"

Our reference: 2208AF

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Table 1: Sample list with requested analyses.

Our reference	Your reference	XRD Bulk + Clay analysis	Natural cation saturation	BET-N2
2208AF01	Bijla 2021 02/08/22	X	x	X
2208AF02	Dollarddijk 02/08/22	x	x	x

Table 2: Measurement characteristics of the bulk XRD analysis.

Parameter	Value
Analysis	Bulk XRD analysis
Sample preparation	Automated wet milling in alcohol and specific pretreatment to avoid preferred orientation
Diffractometer	Bruker D8 Advance, XE-T detector, Cu-K α radiation
Data treatment methodology	In-house
Interpretation by	Dr. Rieko Adriaens
Date of measurement	09/08/2022
Date of data treatment	12/08/2022
Results	Table 6 and Figures 1-2

Table 3: Measurement characteristics of the detailed clay analysis by XRD.

Parameter	Value
Analysis	Clay extraction + XRD analysis
Sample preparation	Chemical pretreatment to remove cementing agents followed by an extraction of the <2 μ m fraction by sequential centrifugation.
Diffractometer	Bruker D8 Advance, XE-T detector, Cu-K α radiation
Data treatment methodology	In-house
Interpretation by	Dr. Rieko Adriaens
Date of measurement	11/08/2022-12/08/2022
Date of data treatment	12/08/2022
Results	Table 7 and Figures 3-4

Table 4: Measurement characteristics of the BET analysis.

Parameter	Value
Analysis	Multiple point BET
Instrument	Quantachrome Autosorb
Date of analysis	11/08/2022-12/08/2022
Operator	A.A.
Sample preparation	Outgassing for 2h in 200°C under high-vaccum
Adsorptive-gas	N ₂
Temperature during analysis	77.35K (liquid nitrogen)
Results	Table 8

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Table 5: Exchangeable cations composition.

Parameter	Value
Analysis	Chemical analysis of exchangeable cations
Sample preparation	Exchange by NaCl and CaCl ₂
Apparatus	ICP-OES
Date of measurement	17/08/2022
Results	Table 9

Table 6: Quantitative bulk mineralogical composition (in wt% of the identified minerals).

Sample	Formula	Bijla 2021	Dollarddijk
		02/08/22	02/08/22
NON-CLAYS			
SILCATES			
Quartz	SiO ₂	39.4	33.2
Alkali feldspar	(K,Na)Si ₃ AlO ₈	6.8	5.7
Plagioclase	(Ca,Na)(Si,Al) ₄ O ₈	6.5	4.7
CARBONATES			
Calcite	CaCO ₃	5.2	6.7
Dolomite/Ankerite	Ca(Mg,Fe)(CO ₃) ₂	1.7	1.3
OXIDES			
Anatase	TiO ₂	0.4	0.4
Rutile	TiO ₂	0.3	0.2
Goethite	FeO(OH)	0.2	0.3
PHOSPHATES			
Apatite	Ca ₅ (PO ₄) ₃ (F,OH,Cl)	0.5	0.5
CLAYS			
Chlorite	(Mg,Fe) ₅ Al(Si ₃ Al)O ₁₀ (OH) ₈	2.2	2.1
Kaolinite	Al ₂ Si ₂ O ₅ (OH) ₄	5.0	6.3
Total 2:1 layer silicates	(K,H ₃ O)(Al,Mg,Fe) ₂ (Si,Al) ₄ O ₁₀ [(OH) ₂ ,(H ₂ O)]	31.8	38.6

Table 7: Quantitative clay mineralogical composition <2µm of the samples (in wt%).

Mineral	Bijla 2021 02/08/22	Dollarddijk 02/08/22
Kaolinite	9.2	10.8
Interstratified Illite/Smectite R0 (65/35)	40.6	39.5
Illite	25.3	22.9
Smectite	21.3	22.9
Chlorite	3.6	3.9

Table 8: Multiple point BET analysis: results.

Sample	BET (m ² /g)
Bijla 2021 02/08/22	16.2
Dollarddijk 02/08/22	29.6

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Table 9: Exchangeable cation analysis: results.

Sample	Na (meq/100g)	Ca (meq/100g)	K (meq/100g)	Mg (meq/100g)
Bijla 2021 02/08/22	0.9	12.6	<0.1	0.9
Dollarddijk 02/08/22	1.7	15.2	<0.1	1.2

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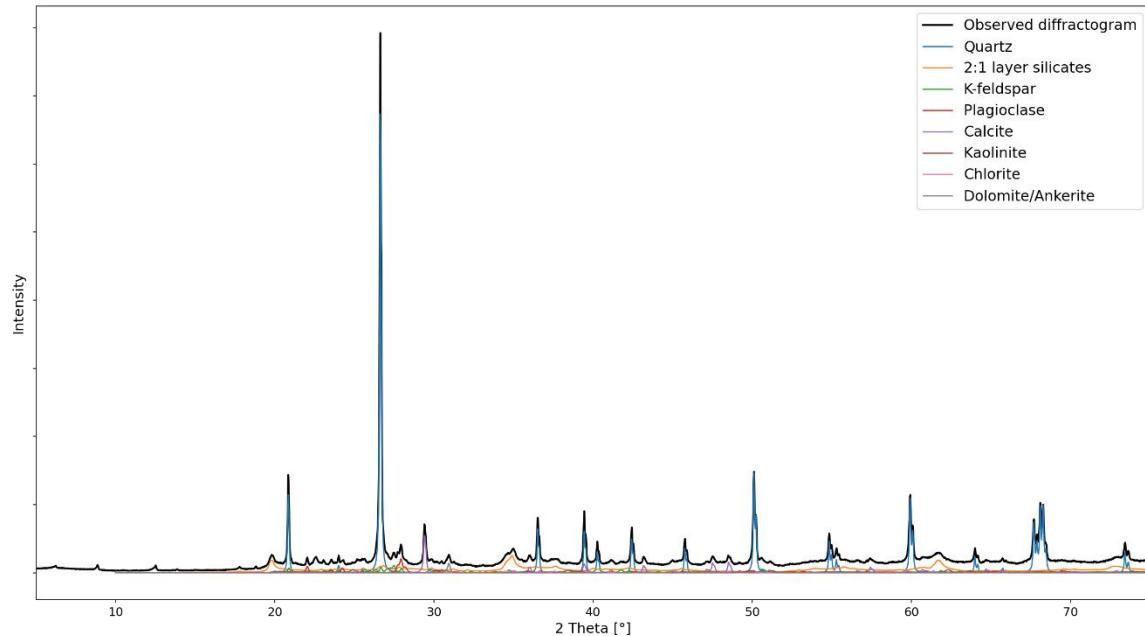


Figure 1: Diffraction pattern of the sample "Bijla 2021 | 02/08/22". The main minerals that contribute to the most important reflections are indicated.

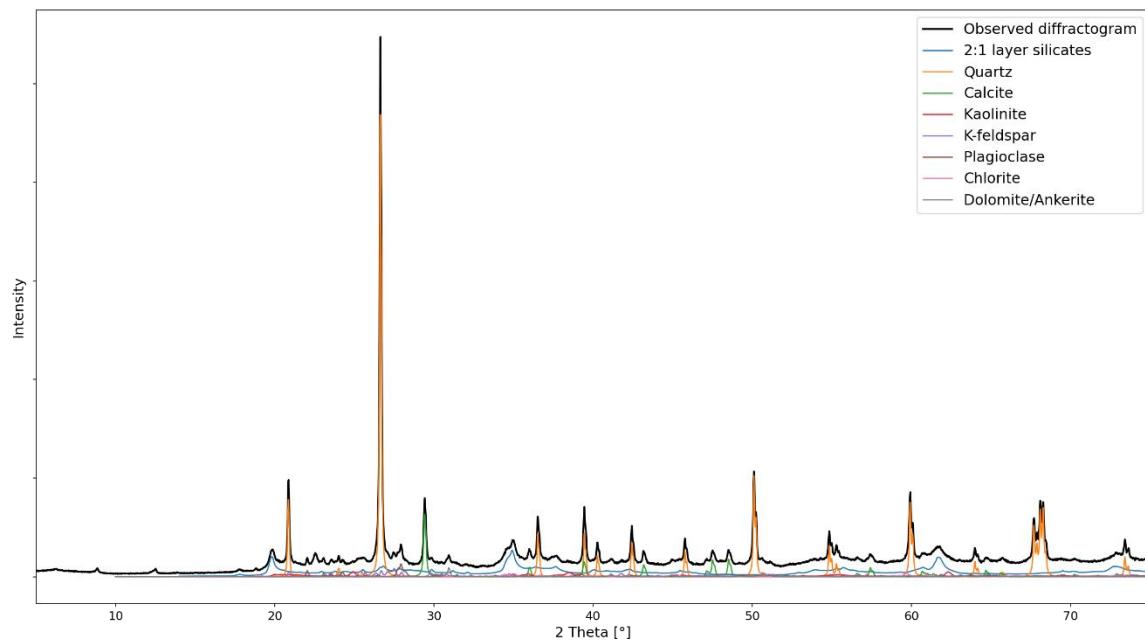


Figure 2: Diffraction pattern of the sample "Dollarddijk | 02/08/22". The main minerals that contribute to the most important reflections are indicated.

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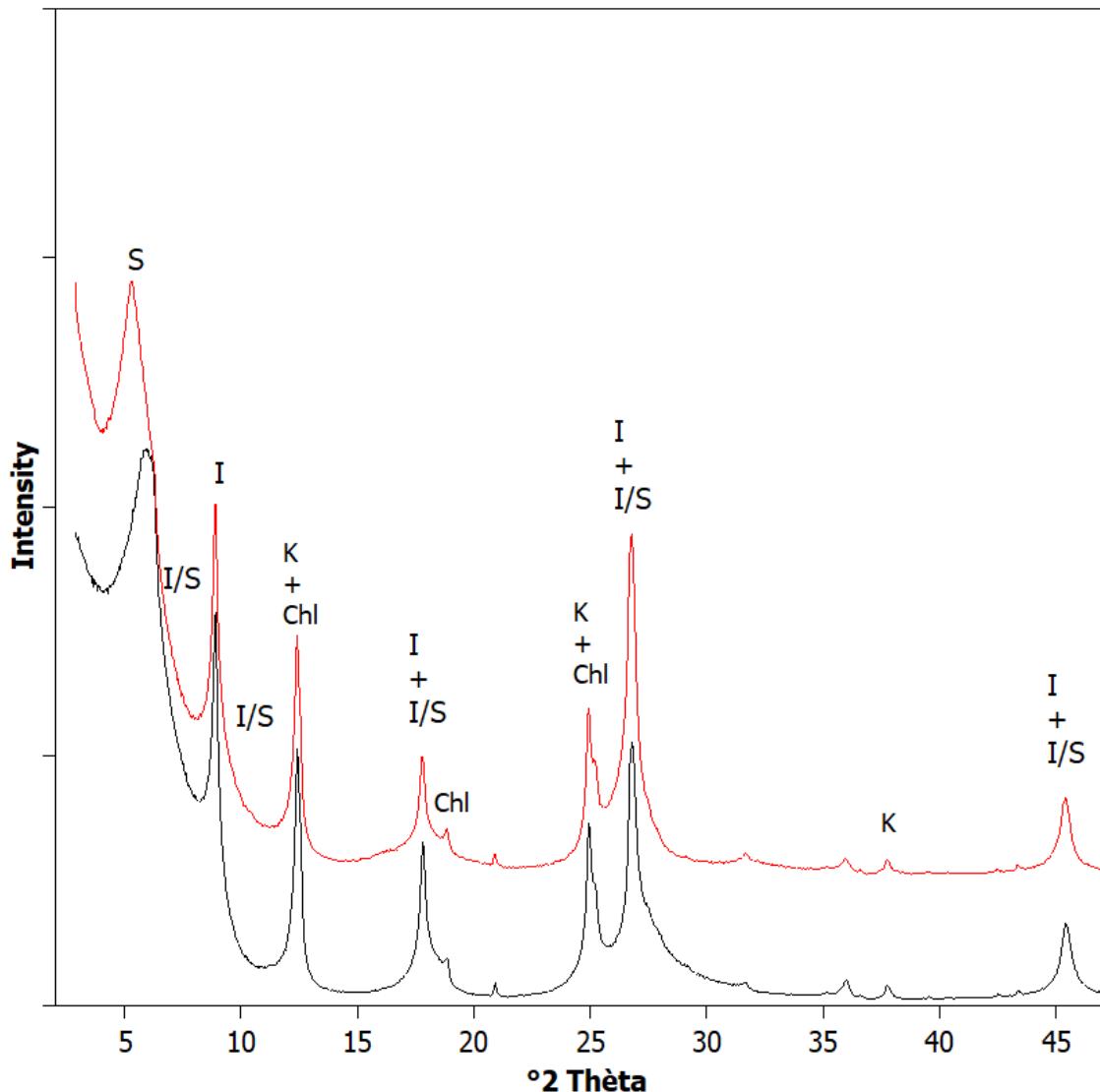


Figure 3: Diffraction patterns of the air dried (black pattern) and ethylene glycolated (red pattern) oriented clay fractions of the sample "Bijla 2021 | 02/08/22". The most important reflections are labeled: K: Kaolinite, I: Illite, I/S: interstratified Illite/Smectite; S: Smectite.

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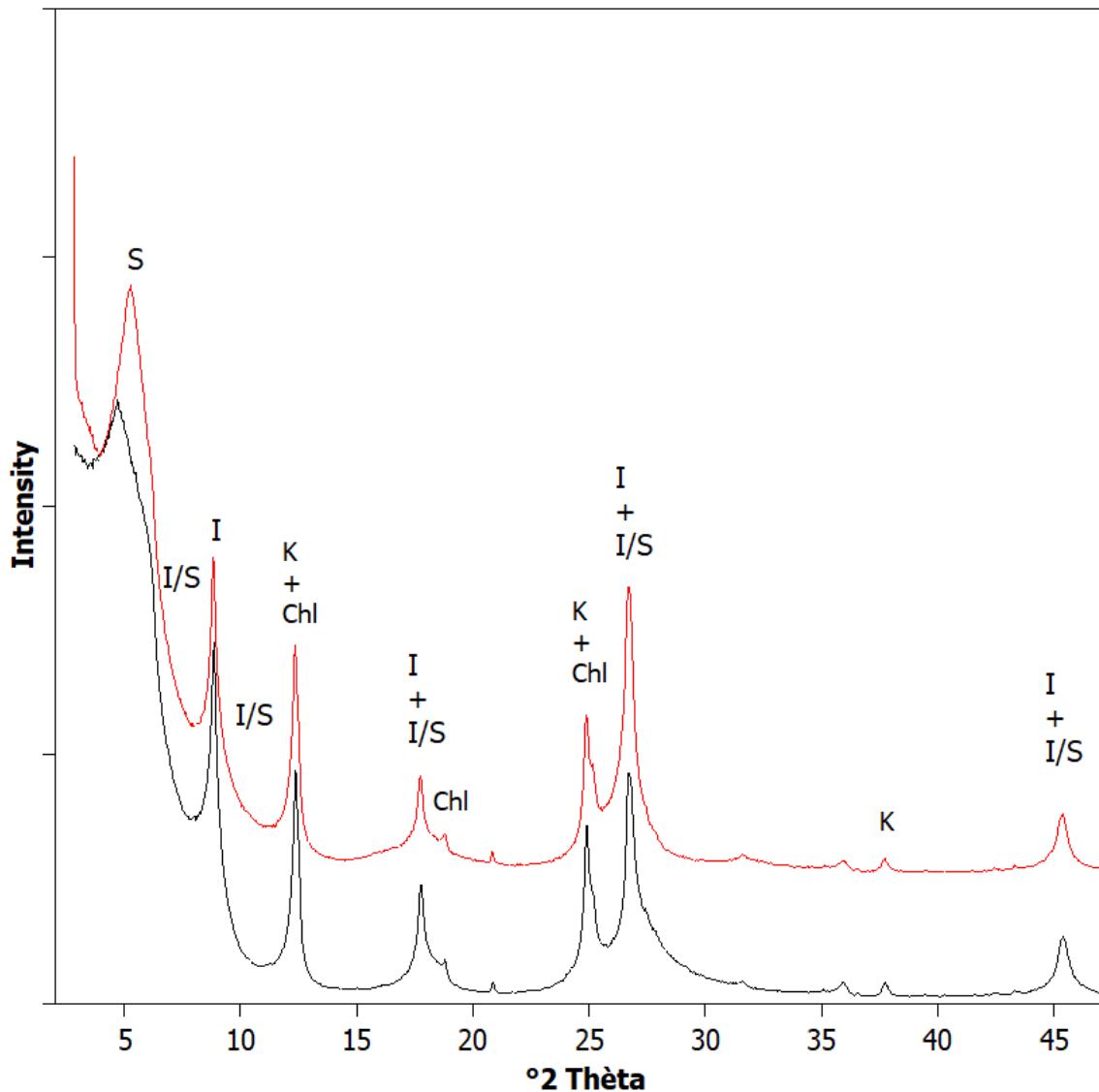


Figure 4: Diffraction patterns of the air dried (black pattern) and ethylene glycolated (red pattern) oriented clay fractions of the sample "Dollarddijk | 02/08/22". The most important reflections are labeled: K: Kaolinite, I: Illite, I/S: interstratified Illite/Smectite; S: Smectite.