72537

Impact Melt Breccia (?) St. 2, 5.2 g

INTRODUCTION

72537 is a small block (Fig. 1) collected as part of the first rake sample at Station 2, near Boulder 2. It has macroscopic characters that suggest that it is an impact melt; identification is uncertain because it has never been allocated or

dissected. According to LSIC 17 (1973), 72537 is a blue-gray breccia; according to Keil et al. (1974) it is medium dark gray (N4). It is similar in appearance to several other greengray breccias from the South Massif that are impact melts (e.g. 72535). The sample is 2.1 x 1.2 x 1.5 cm, subrounded and

coherent, with a few nonpenetrative fractures (Fig. 1). Matrix material (grain size less than 1 mm) is about 96% of the sample; the remaining 4% consists mainly of small plagioclase clasts. It has zap pits on most surfaces, but no internal cavities or vugs.



Figure 1: Sample 72537. Small scale divisions in millimeters. S-73-19643.