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KEYWORDS: 3-6 keywords (e.g. kinetic growth, metamorphism, vapor pressure, gradient).

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Fig. 1: The kinetic growth of mega crystals.

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Tbl. 1: Prevalence of avalanche character types

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| Avalanche Character | Prevalence |
| Wind slabs | 29% |
| Storm slabs | 21% |
| Persistent slabs | 34% |

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