

## OSMIRIDIUM - A DISCOVERY IN CHEROH, PAHANG, PENINSULAR MALAYSIA

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Significant traces of osmiridium, a platinum - group metal, were found in the tin placer deposit along the Sungai Semantan near Cheroh, 10 miles north of Raub, Pahang, Peninsular Malaysia. The likely origin of this metal is a large serpentinite body situated 4 miles to the west which is drained by some tributaries of the Sungai Semantan. The presence of osmiridium further supports the view that the serpentinite bodies of the Foothills Group of rocks represent an ophiolite belt of Lower Palaeozoic age.

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