



Chemistry of amphiboles and clinopyroxenes from Euganean (NE Italy) cumulitic enclaves: implications for the genesis of melts in an extensional setting

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The magmatism of the Euganean Volcanic District (Veneto Volcanic Province, VVP) developed in the last phases of the Alpine orogenesis; the geochemical and geophysical data are consistent with an extensional geodynamic context (Milani *et al.*, 1999). Cumulitic gabbroic enclaves occur within the Euganean trachytes, and Bartoli *et al.* (2008) pointed to their cogenetic origin with the Euganean host lavas. Sr isotopic data suggest that these cumulates derived from uncontaminated mantle-derived liquids. We analysed both cumulus and intercumulus amphiboles and clinopyroxenes by electron microprobe and LA-ICP-MS.

The cumulus-intercumulus Cpx are diopsides and augites. The $Mg\#_{Cpx}$ varies in a wide range ($Mg\#_{cumulus-Cpx} = 0.74-0.84$ and $Mg\#_{intercumulus-Cpx} = 0.67-0.68$). They show a MREE enrichment relative to LREE and HREE ($La_N/Sm_N = 0.46-0.68$ and $Tb_N/Yb_N = 2.18-4.77$). No significant Eu anomaly ($Eu/Eu^* = 0.78-1.23$) was observed. On a chondrite-normalized spiderdiagram Cpx exhibits significant Pb and Co negative anomalies, and less evident negative anomalies for Sr and Zr. La, Sm and HREE increase, whereas Ba, Ti, Li and V decrease from core to rim. These Cpx exhibit high Cr contents (701-2958 ppm). Moreover, they display trace element differences when compared to Cpx from MORB gabbros. We analyzed also amphiboles: pargasites, edenites and kaersutites. In the cumulus Amph $Mg\#$ varies in the range 0.60-0.69, whereas in the intercumulus assemblage from 0.57 to 0.63. The high K_2O and TiO_2 contents are distinct from that of amphiboles in MORB gabbros. LREE are enriched relative to HREE ($La_N/Yb_N = 5.07-7.56$). Moreover, $Tb_N/Yb_N = 2.50-4.02$ indicates a HREE depletion relative to MREE. REE patterns lack a significant Eu anomaly ($Eu/Eu^* = 1.06-1.19$). From core to rim Th and U decrease in cumulus crystals, but they increase in the intercumulus Amph. Ba (258-282 ppm) is enriched relative to other LILE and Nb-Ta are enriched relative to LREE. Cr varies in the range 423-594 ppm. The similar REE and HFSE content of intercumulus and cumulus Amph may suggest the existence of some post-cumulus processes.

We calculated the chemistry of the liquids which should have been in equilibrium with cumulus phases, employing a set of $D^{s/l}$. In the liquid in equilibrium with Cpx LREE and MREE are enriched up to 40 and 11 times respectively relative to HREE, which are at about N-MORB concentrations ($La_N/Yb_N = 42.5$ and $Sm_N/Yb_N = 11$). Some LILE (*i.e.*, Rb and Ba), Th and U are enriched relative to HFSE and REE. The theoretical composition of the liquid in equilibrium with Amph differs from Cpx-liquid in the marked enrichment of U and Th over LILE and HFSE. A LREE and MREE enrichment is observed ($La_N/Yb_N = 35.4$ and $Sm_N/Yb_N = 3.6$). The discrepancies of calculated liquid compositions cannot be ascribed only to the uncertainty in the choice of $D^{s/l}$. This may indicate trace element modifications in response to post-cumulus processes involving the amphiboles. The concentrations of HFSE in the calculated liquids ($Zr/Hf = 60.2-72.7$, $Zr/Nb = 1.7-6.5$ and $Th/Hf = 3.8-6.9$) and the incompatible element ratios, (*e.g.*, $La/Nb = 0.5-0.7$, $Pb/Ce = 0.01-0.05$, $La/Y = 2.3-2.8$ and $Ce/Nd = 1.9-2.8$), are not comparable to those of N-MORB but to those of HIMU-OIB suggesting that typical MORB-type mantle couldn't be the source of these liquids. Nb and Ta are variable, possibly due to a heterogeneity in the lithospheric mantle.

The existence of some peculiar trace element signatures of the recalculated liquids (LILE enrichment, high LREE/HREE ratio and abrupt enrichment in U and Th) has been attributed to slab-derived melts/fluids with an abundant sedimentary component. Our estimates are in agreement with the geodynamic scenario proposed by Macera *et al.* (2007), who explained the occurrence of both HIMU-OIB-type magmatism and subduction-related metasomatism in the VVP mantle lithosphere. According to their model, a mantle plume with HIMU-OIB geo-

chemical signature rose from the deep mantle twice with subsequent partial melting episodes of the plume material: the first time during Paleocene, before the subducted European lithospheric slab (from which the LILE-, U- and Th-enriched fluids/melts derived) intercepted the mantle plume, and the second time during middle Eocene, after slab detachment and opening of a plate window.

The liquids we have modeled can derive from partial melting of a subcontinental mantle source percolated by HIMU-OIB- and subduction-related fluids/melts with an abundant sedimentary component. Similarly, our recalculated liquids display some trace element signatures close to those shown by the liquids computed by Tiepolo & Tribuzio (2005) for cumulates of the Adamello batholith during alpine orogeny.