

# ***Calorimetric Glass Transition Temperatures & Magmatic Processes***

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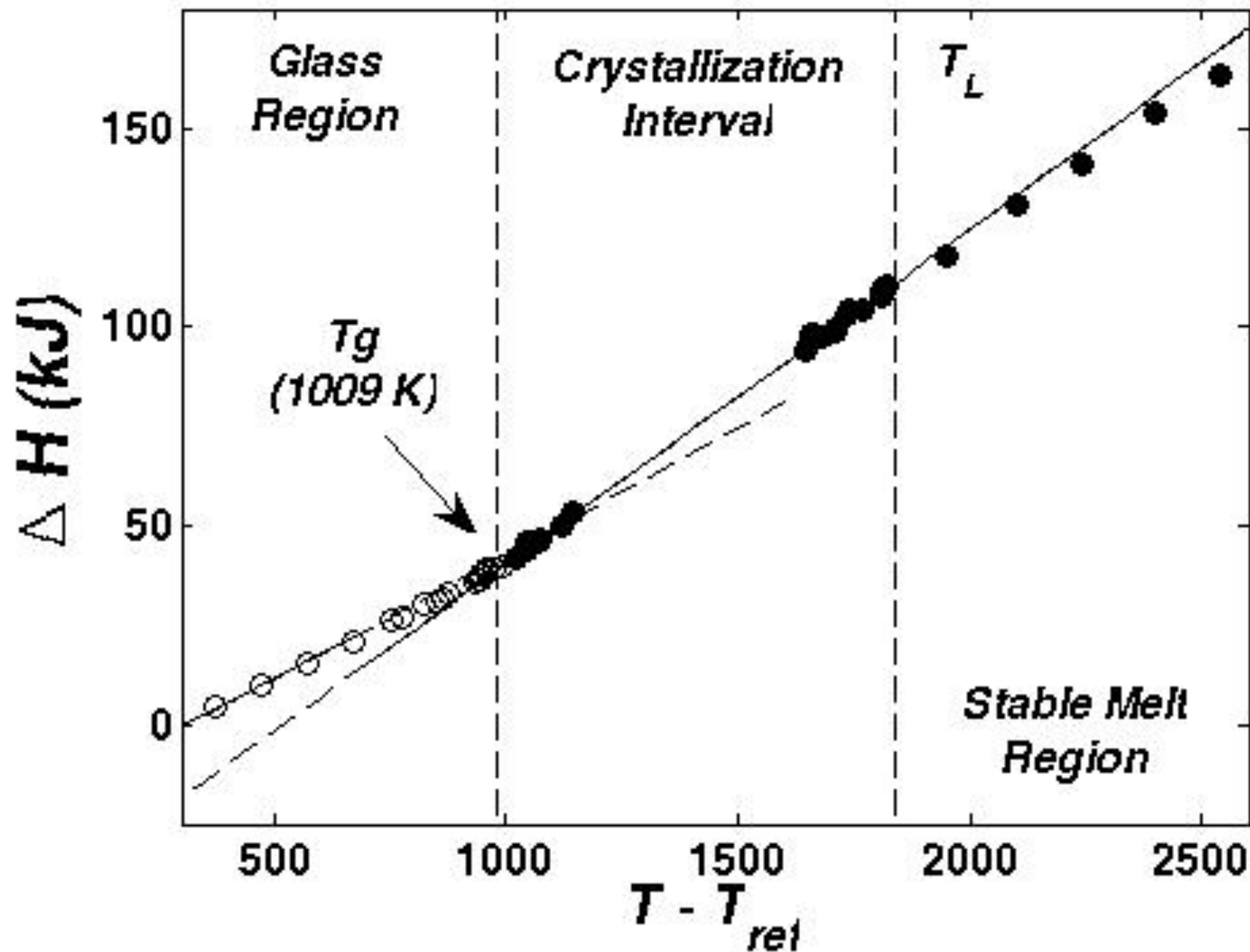
**GMPV2/IG20: Magmas, Melts, and Magma Mixing: from lab to nature.**

# SYNOPSIS

- (1) Natural glasses record melt composition attending magmatic processes.
- (2) Natural glasses form under diverse conditions.  
[silicic to mafic melts; fast to slow cooling]
- (3) Glass transition temperature (**T<sub>g</sub>**) marks the transition from the liquid to the glassy state.
- (4) Glass is the consequence of the liquid line of descent  
[**T-X**] intersecting the **T<sub>g</sub>**
- (5) ***EMPIRICAL MODEL PREDICTS CALORIMETRIC  $T_g$  AS A FUNCTION OF MELT COMPOSITION***

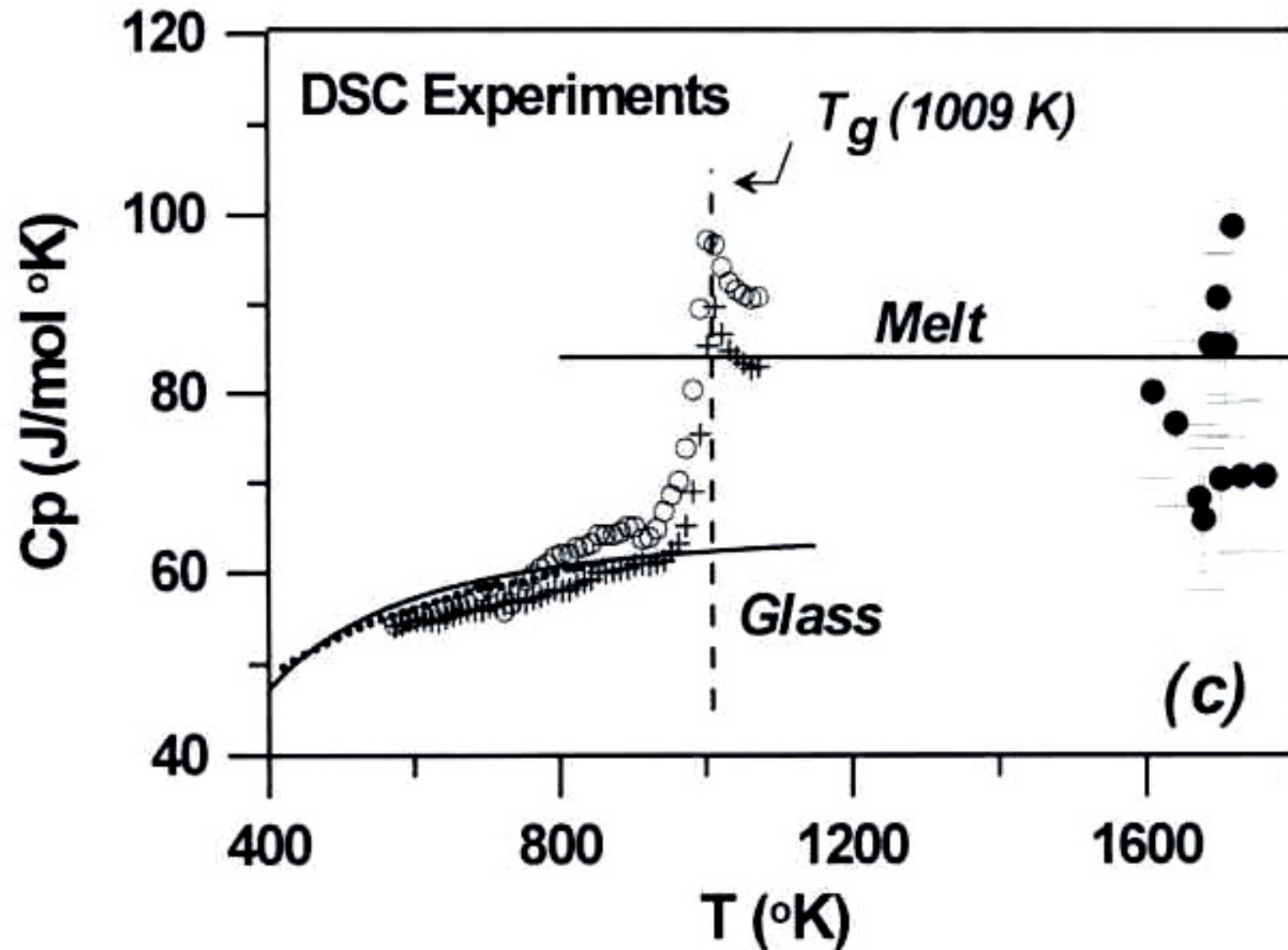
# Adiabatic Drop Calorimetric Data

Melts (filled)  
Glasses (open)



## ***DSC vs. Model Functions:***

Data: Stebbins et al. 1983; Knoche et al. 1992; Lange et al., 1991.



# *Empirical Model for predicting $T_g$ in Natural Melts*

Based on ADC datasets including:

- > 500 experiments on 60 melt compositions
- > 400 observations on 30 glass compositions

***PLUS*** constraints from independent estimates of  $T_g$

Provides T-dependent melt & glass heat contents curves

$$\Delta H_m = A \cdot T(K) + B$$

$$\Delta H_g = a \cdot T(K) + \frac{c}{T}(K) + d$$

Intersection of heat content curves defines  $T_g$

# ***Multicomponent Model for Calorimetric Tg***

## ***UNCONSTRAINED MODEL***

$$X^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \left\langle \frac{\Delta H_i^{obs} - h(T)_i}{\sigma_i} \right\rangle^2$$

$$h_i^{Melt}(T) = \sum_k^{nc} \langle A_k x_k \cdot T(K) + B_k x_k \rangle$$

$$h_i^{Glass}(T) = \sum_k^{nc} \left\langle a_k x_k \cdot T(K) + \frac{c_k x_k}{T(K)} + d_k x_k \right\rangle$$

# ***CONSTRAINED MODEL***

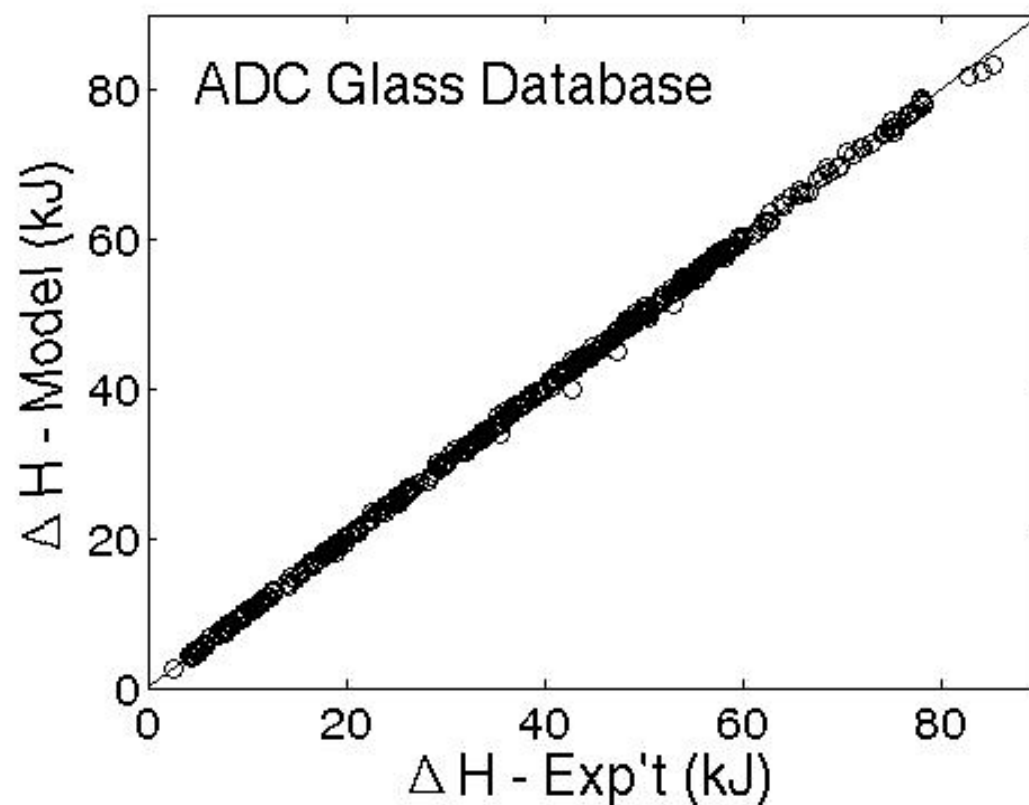
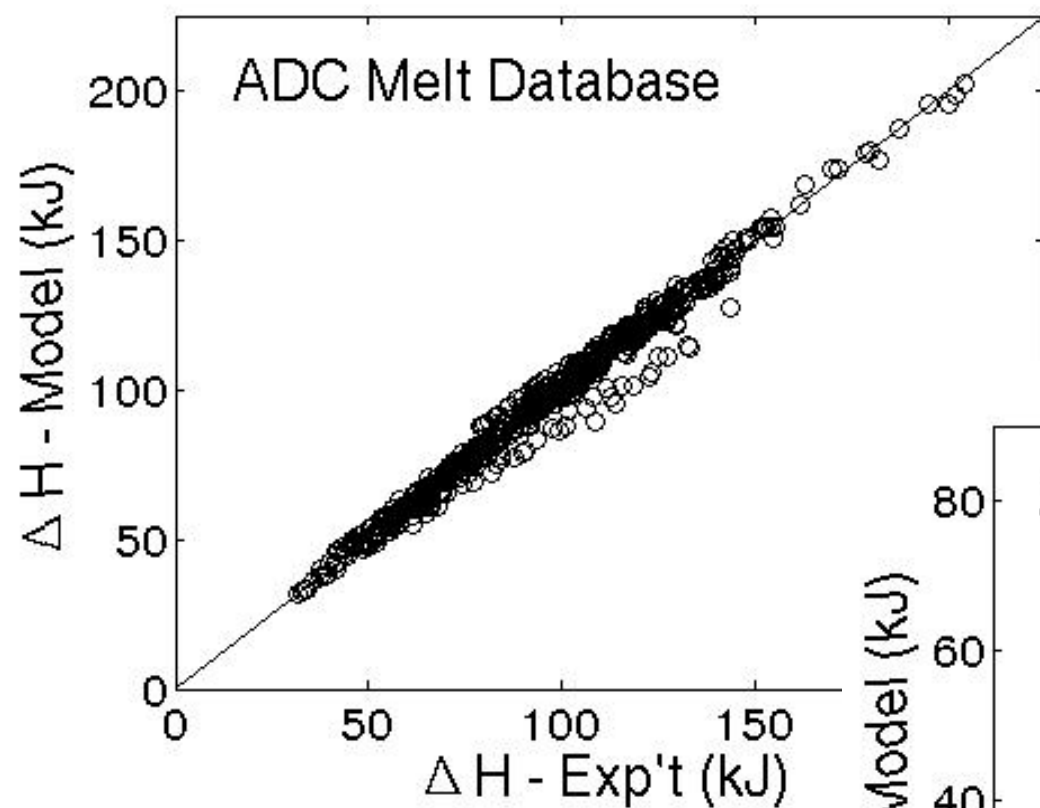
- Model equations for melts and glasses are UNCOUPLED
- Compositional coefficients are linearly independent
- Use Tg values as linear equality constraints
- Couples the coefficients for melts and glasses
- $N \leq \text{RANK}$  of compositional matrix (RANK = 7)

## **CONSTRAINT EQUATIONS**

$$\sum_k^{\text{nc}} \langle (A_k - a_k) \cdot x_k \rangle \cdot Tg^2 + \sum_k^{\text{nc}} \langle (B - d) x_k \rangle \cdot Tg - \sum_k^{\text{nc}} (c_k x_k) = 0$$

ALLOWS use of 7 independent estimates of Tg  
Compositions must be LINEARLY INDEPENDENT

# ***MODEL vs. DATA***



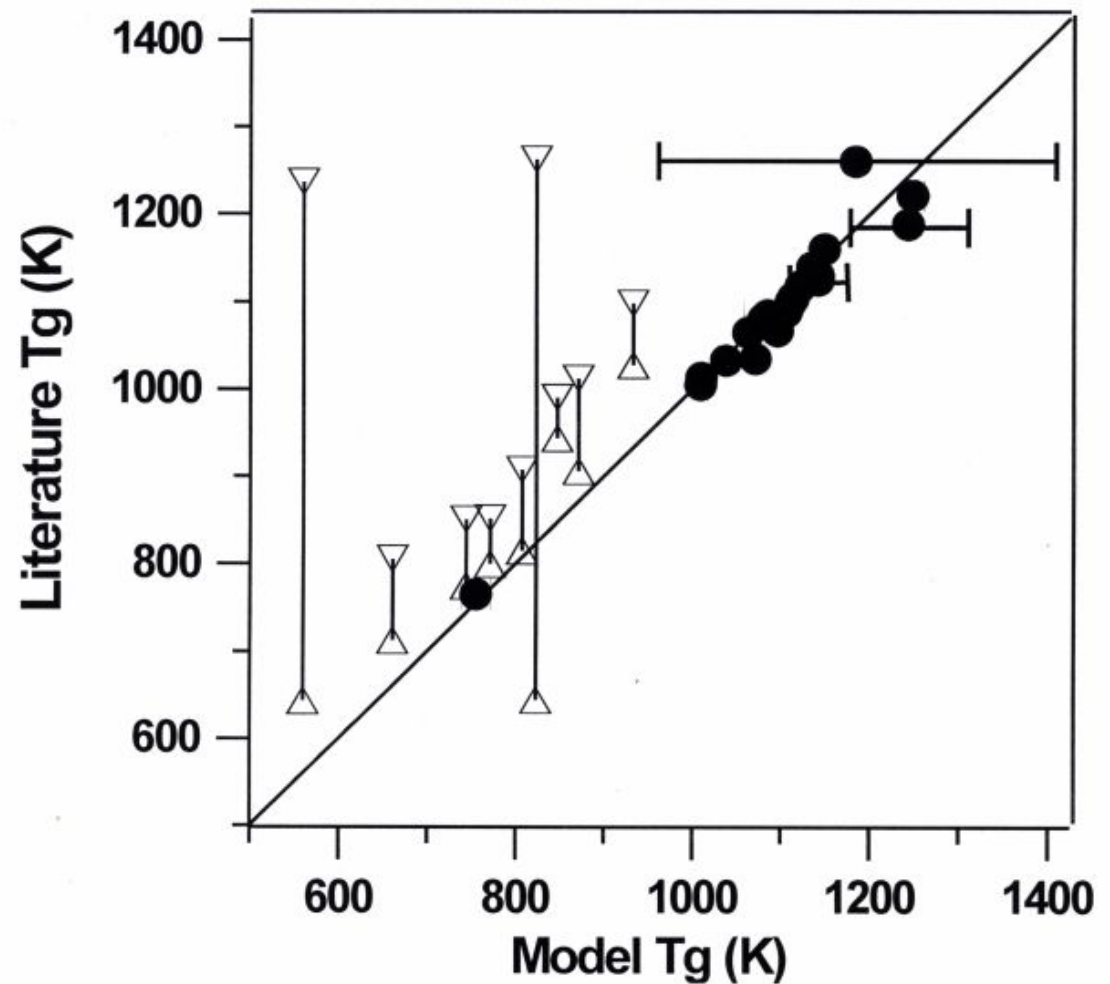


$$Tg(K) = \frac{-\beta(x) \pm \sqrt{\beta(x)^2 - 4 \cdot \alpha(x) \cdot \gamma(x)}}{2 \cdot \alpha(x)}$$

$$\alpha(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n (A_i - a_i) \cdot x_i$$

$$\beta(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n (B_i - d_i) \cdot x_i$$

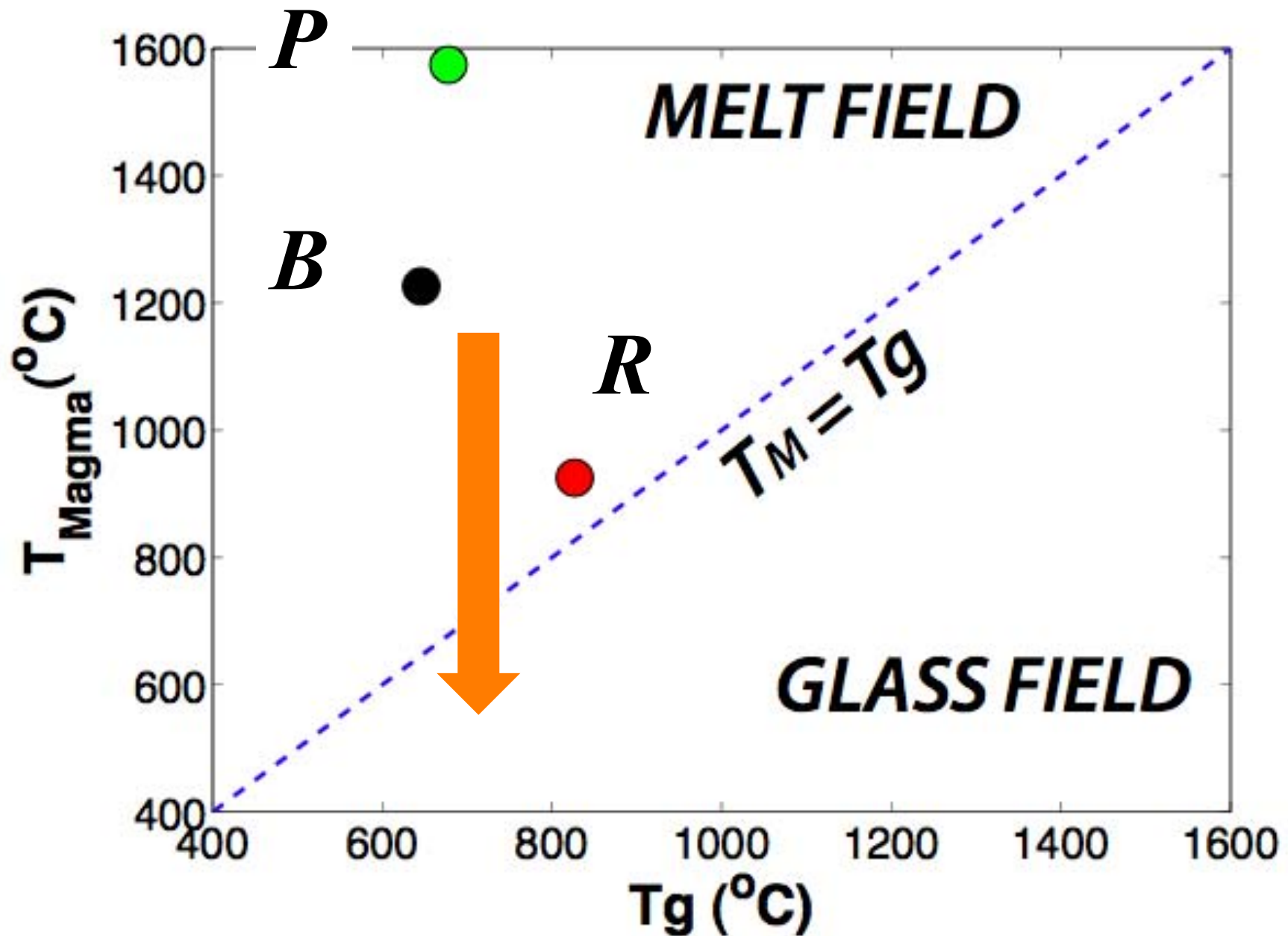
$$\gamma(x) = -\sum_{i=1}^n (c_i \cdot x_i)$$



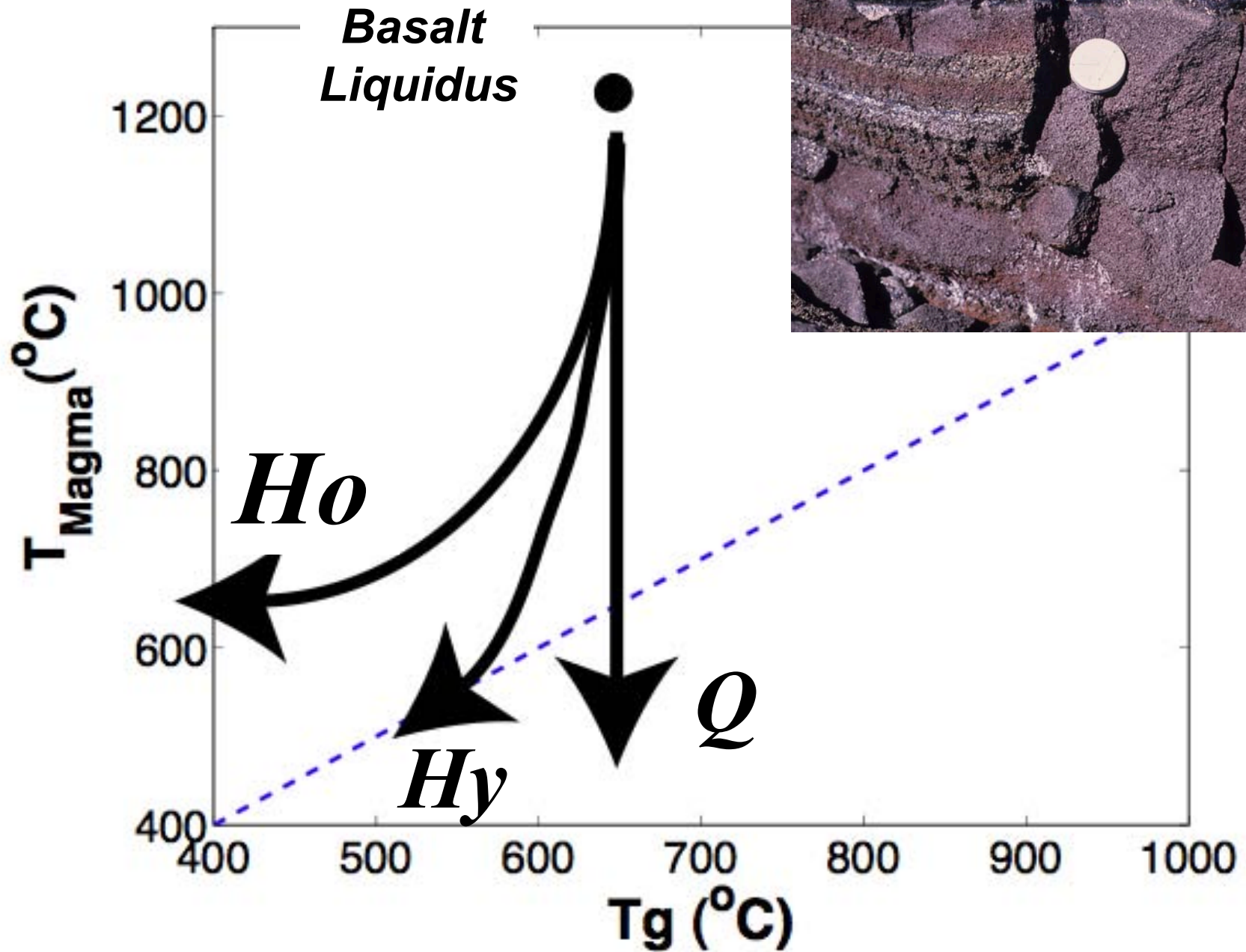
# APPLICATIONS & TAKE AWAYS

- A) **TRACK  $T_{\text{magma}}$  vs.  $T_g$**  during magmatic processes such as fractional crystallization, vesiculation, melting.
- B) **TERMINATION OF LIQUID LINE OF DESCENT**  
Where liquid line of descent (e.g., T-X path) intersects  $T_g$  of the melt, glass forms and terminates many processes.
- C) **GEOOTHERMOMETRY**  
Glass compositions converted to pre-eruption  $T_{\text{min}}$ .

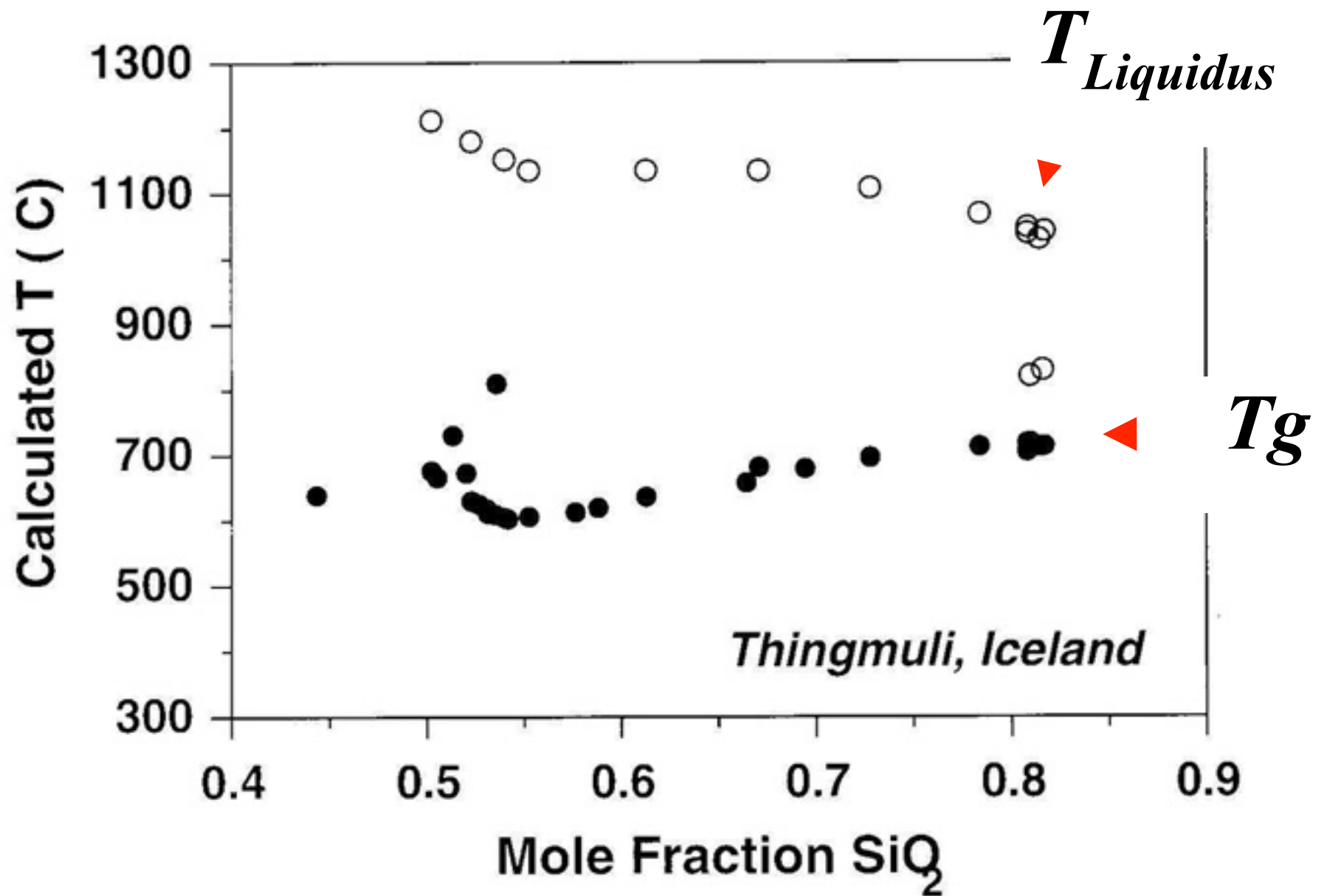
# TG - Melt Composition



# GLASS FORMING PATHS



$$T_{\text{magma}} - T_g$$

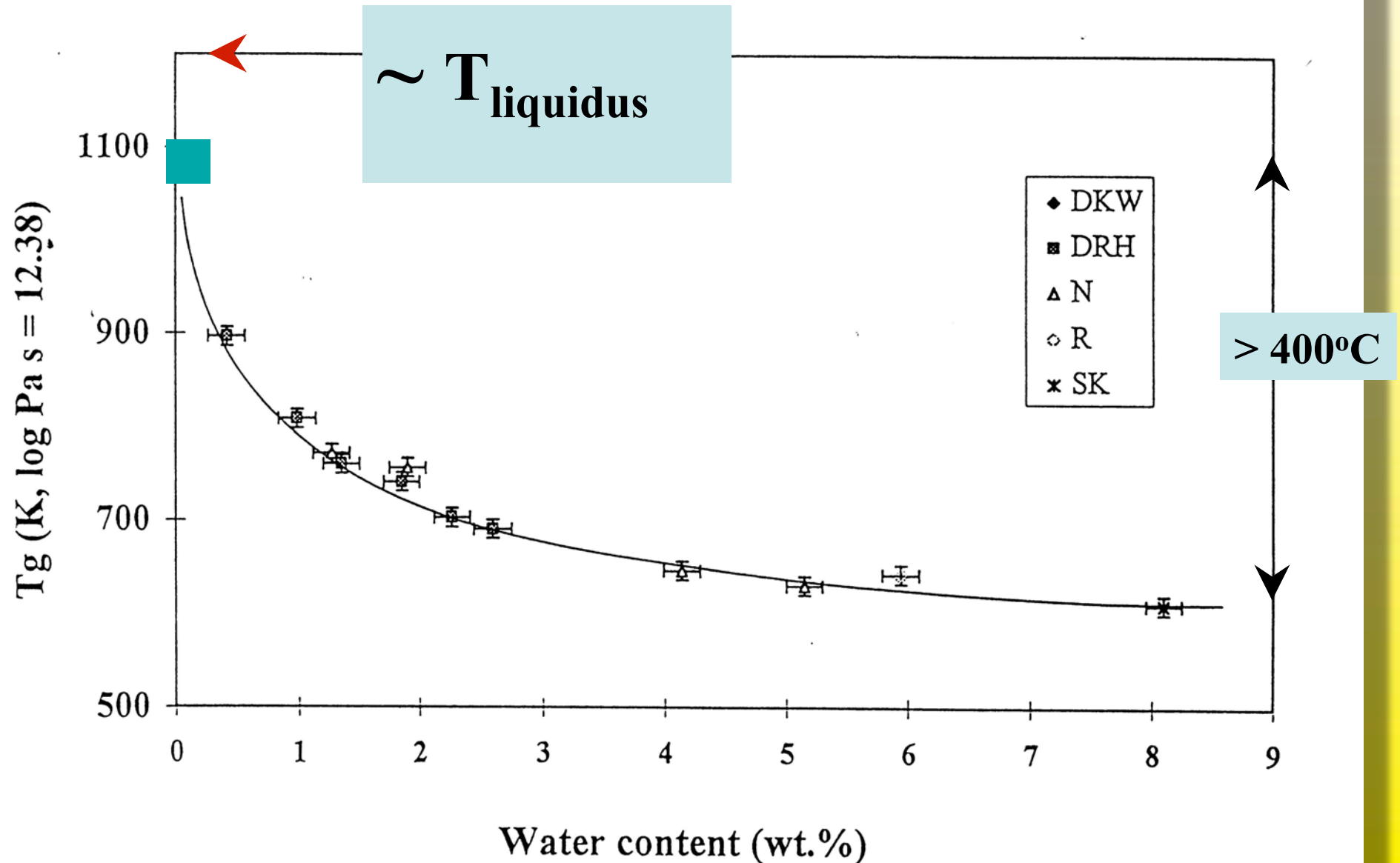


# Caveat Emptor (Construction Zone)

## Tg Depression by H<sub>2</sub>O

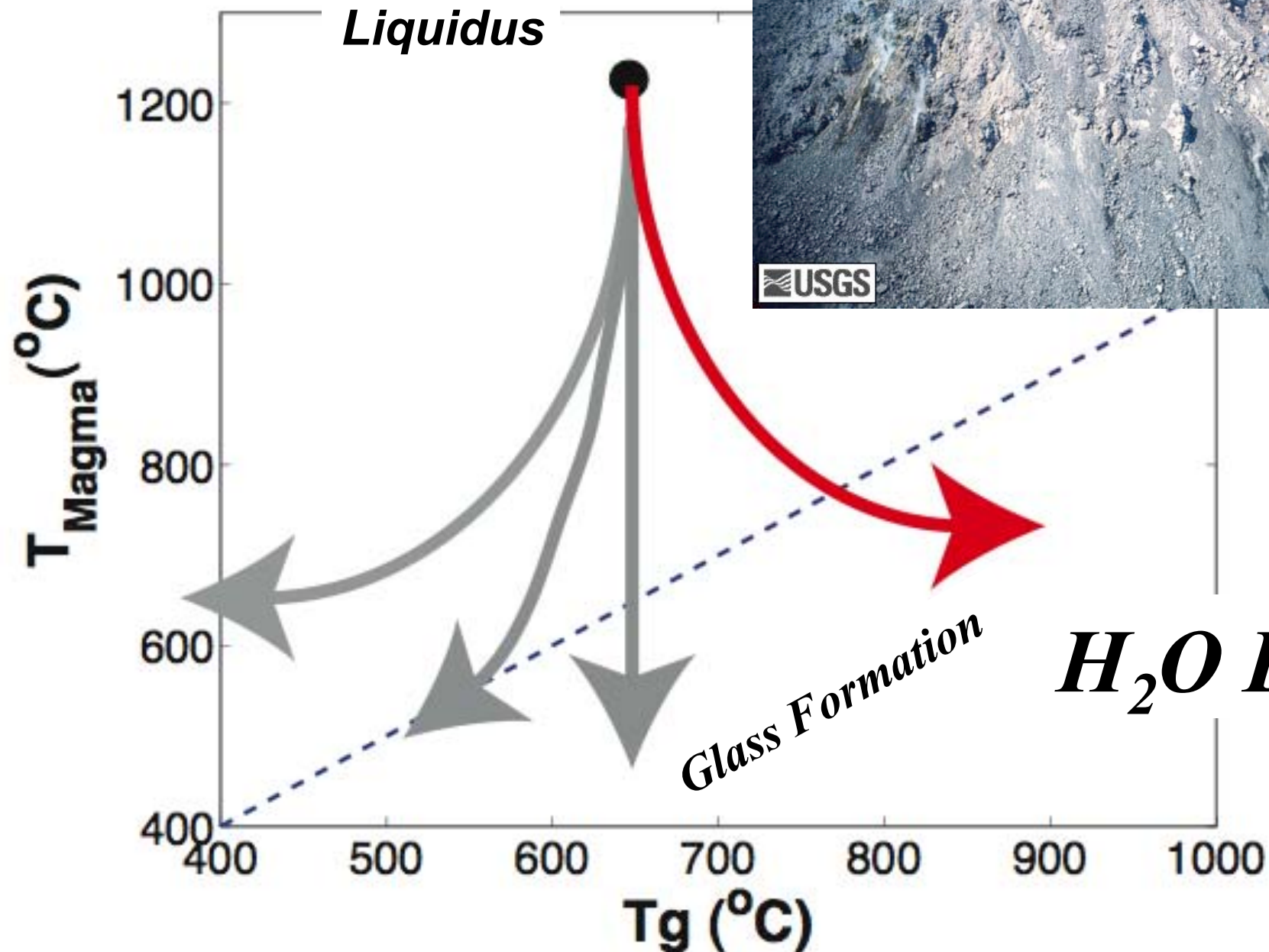
Need partial molar  $H_{H_2O}$  melts/glasses

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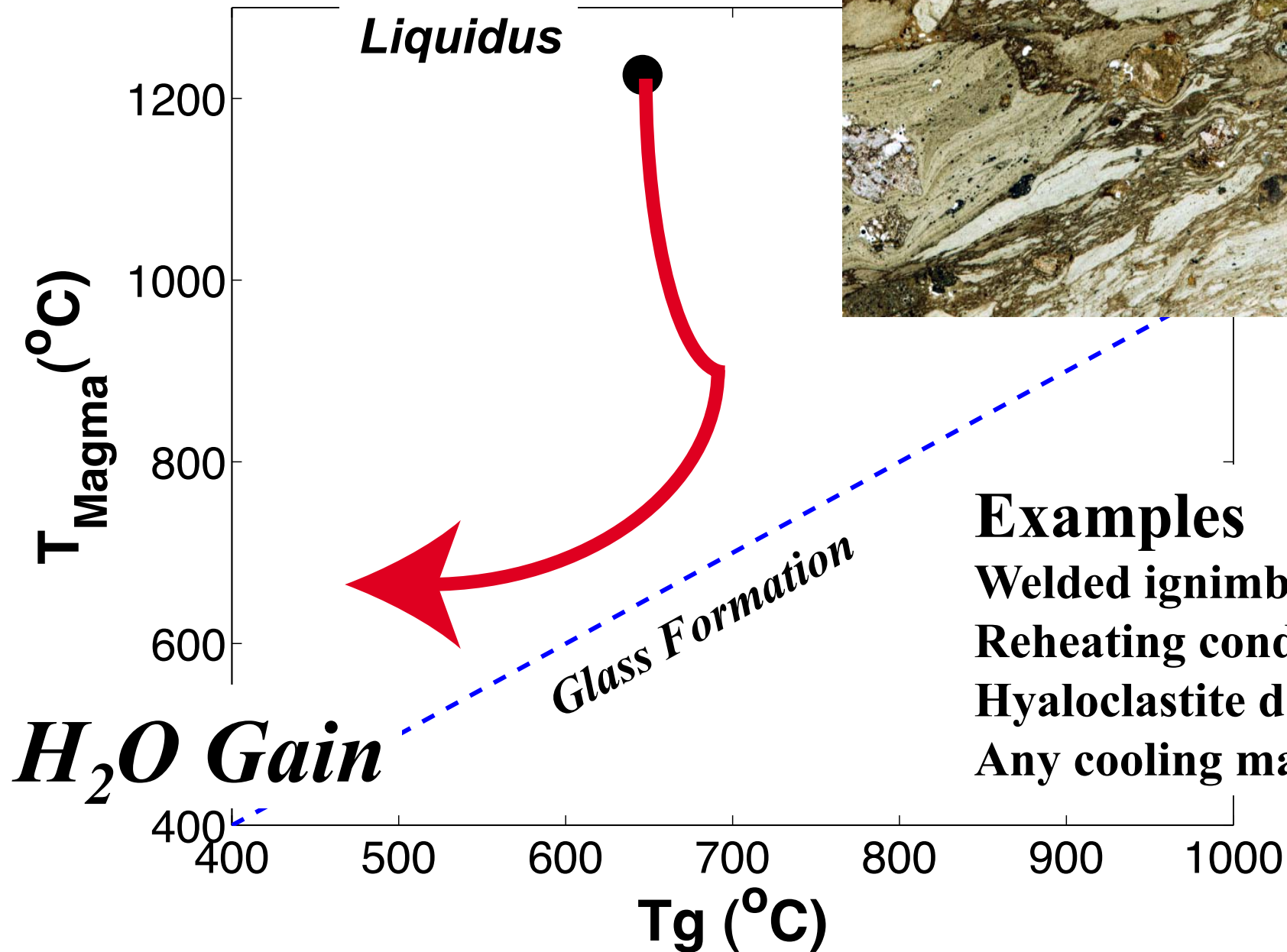
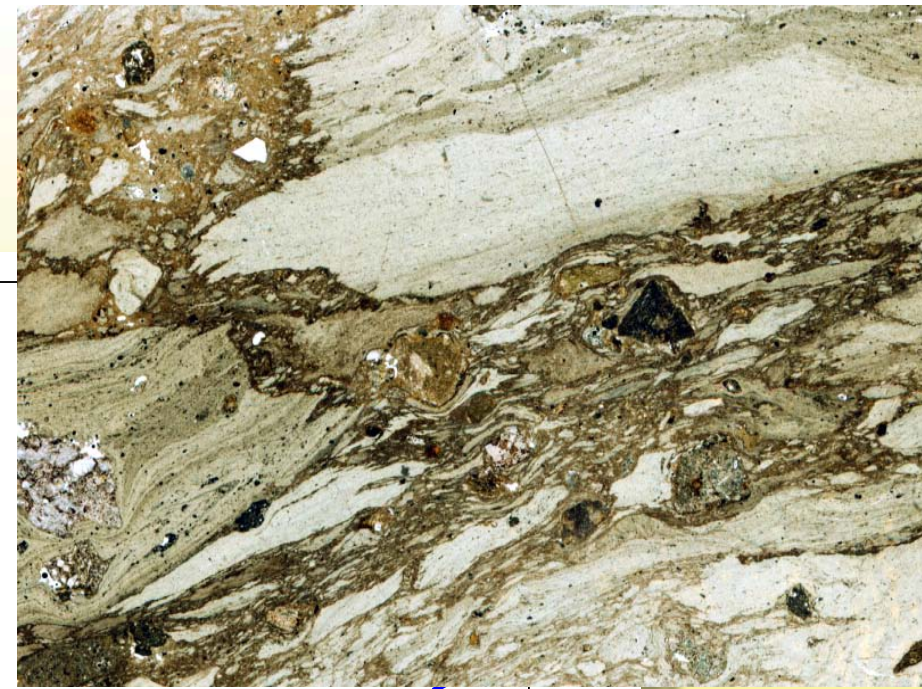




# T<sub>g</sub> & DEGASSING



# T<sub>g</sub> & REHYDRATION



## Examples

- Welded ignimbrites
- Reheating conduit rocks
- Hyaloclastite deposits
- Any cooling magma



## **SUMMARY**

*Glass formation is a boundary between changing environmental states.*

- A) Above  $T_g$ , rates of crystallization & vesiculation are sufficiently fast to affect magmatic processes**
- B) Where liquid lines of descent intersect the  $T_g$  of the melt, glass forms and many processes cease.**

# MIXING & ASCENT ... Hmm ??

