





# Source area and emplacement conditions of **Riscos Bayos Ignimbrites, Caviahue-Copahue** Volcanic Complex (Argentina)

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## Introduction

• Located in the southern Andes, the CCVC is one of the most active volcanic centers.

### Geological setting

- Lavas and ignimbrites younger than 6 Ma.
- Caviahue may be associated with a volcanic caldera.



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### **Riscos Bayos Ignimbrite**

- Located 15 km SE of Caviahue depression.
- Non-welded ignimbrite sequence.





Haag (2019).



## Field aspects

- Composed of 4 flow units (RB0-RB3).
- Sampled RB1, RB2, and RB3.





#### Petrography

• Major axis measurements of silicate and oxide fabrics using ImageJ indicate consistent shear regime.





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Monchinatto et al (2020).

#### High-T curves

- Both **reversible** and **irreversible** behaviours.
- Tc compatible with magnetite (580 °C).



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#### IRM, Hysteresis and FORC diagrams

- Low Ms and Hcr (compatible with magnetite).
- Both MD and SD states.







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#### SEM observations

- *Primary* (high Tc) to *secondary* (low Tc) Ti-Magnetite crystals.
- AMS dispersion  $\propto$  Tc, P` and Ti content.



#### Low-field AMS scalar results

• Mostly oblate to triaxial, low Kmean and degree of anisotropy results.



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#### **Directional AMS and AARM results**

• Agreement in most measurements, flow sense to SE.



#### **Directional results**

#### • Source area - southern Caviahue depression



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#### Emplacement

- Emplacement conditions temperature and rheology
  - T emplacement < 700° C



**Porous glass** 

Rheology estimations using the model of Giordano et al (2005)





T Liquidus (°C)

#### Future research

- Paleomagnetic data stratigraphy (2 Ma)
- Paleointensity data

Paleosecular Variation from Northern Patagonia recorded by 0-5 Ma Caviahue-Copahue lava flows



Monchinatto et al, *in* prep (2021).

#### Future research

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- Paleointensity data South American database



# Thank you!



#### Copahue volcano eruption, 2016