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107 **Abstract**

108 This study provides insights into the composition and origin of ferropicrite dikes
109 ($\text{FeO}_{\text{tot}} = 13\text{--}17$ wt. %; $\text{MgO} = 13\text{--}19$ wt. %) and associated meimechite, picrite,
110 picrobasalt, and basalt dikes found at Vestfjella, western Dronning Maud Land,
111 Antarctica. The dikes crosscut Jurassic Karoo continental flood basalts (CFB) that
112 were emplaced during the early stages of the breakup of the Gondwana
113 supercontinent ~180 Ma ago. Selected samples (31 overall from at least 11 dikes)
114 were analyzed for their mineral chemical, major element, trace element, and Sr,
115 Nd, Pb, and Os isotopic compositions.

116 The studied samples can be divided into two geochemically distinct types:
117 (1) The depleted type (24 samples from at least 9 dikes) is relatively depleted in
118 the most incompatible elements and exhibits initial ϵ_{Nd} of +4.8 to +8.3 and initial
119 $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ of 0.1256–0.1277 at 180 Ma. (2) The enriched type (7 samples from at
120 least 2 dikes) exhibits trace element characteristics similar to those of oceanic
121 island basalts, initial ϵ_{Nd} of +1.8 to +3.6 and initial $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ of 0.1401–0.1425
122 at 180 Ma. Both magma types have escaped significant contamination with the
123 continental crust.

124 The depleted type is related to the main phase of Karoo magmatism and
125 originated as highly magnesian (MgO up to 25 wt. %) partial melts at high
126 temperature (mantle potential temperature > 1600 °C) and pressure (~5–6 GPa)
127 from a sublithospheric, water-bearing, depleted peridotite mantle source. The
128 enriched type sampled pyroxene-bearing heterogeneities that can be traced down
129 to either recycled oceanic crust or melt-metasomatized portions of the
130 sublithospheric or lithospheric mantle.

131 The source of the depleted type represents a sublithospheric end-member
132 source for many Karoo lavas and has subsequently been sampled by mid-ocean
133 ridge basalts (MORBs) of the Indian Ocean. These observations, together with the
134 purported high temperatures, indicate that the Karoo CFBs were formed in an
135 extensive melting episode caused mainly by internal heating of the upper mantle
136 beneath the Gondwana supercontinent.

137 My research supports the view that ferropicritic melts can be generated in
138 several ways: the relative Fe-enrichment of mantle partial melts is most readily
139 achieved by (1) relatively low degree of partial melting, (2) high pressure of
140 partial melting, and (3) melting of enriched source components (e.g., pyroxenite
141 and metasomatized peridotite). Ferropicritic whole-rock compositions could also
142 result from accumulation, secondary alteration, and fractional crystallization,
143 however, and caution is required when addressing the parental magma
144 composition.

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146 **Key words:** *ferropicrite, continental flood basalt, Karoo, Gondwana, geochemistry, petrology,*
147 *Vestfjella, Dronning Maud Land, Antarctica*

149 **Tiivistelmä (in Finnish)**

150 Mantereiset laakiobasalttiprovinssit ovat suurimpia tunnettuja ilmanalaisia
151 vulkaanisia muodostumia (alkuperäinen tilavuus jopa 2 000 000 km³).

152 Laakiobasaltteja esiintyy kaikilla mantereilla ja niitä tiedetään muodostuneen
153 miltei läpi maapallon historian. Laakiobasalttien purkautumisella on varmasti
154 ollut huomattava vaikutus maapallon ilmastoon ja elämän kehitykseen, mutta
155 niiden synnystä tiedetään edelleen varsin vähän. Tämä johtuu osaltaan siitä, että
156 suurin osa laakiobasalttien kantasulista on reagoinut voimakkaasti mantereisen
157 litosfäärin kanssa ja niiden alkuperäinen, mahdollisesti litosfäärin alaisesta
158 vaipasta peritty geokemiallinen sormenjälki on siksi usein vaikeasti
159 tunnistettavissa ja tulkittavissa.

160 Ferropikriitit ovat poikkeuksellisen rautarikkaita ($\text{FeO}_{\text{tot}} > 13\text{--}14$ p. %) ja
161 primitiivisiä ($\text{MgO} \approx 12\text{--}18$ p. %) laavakiviä, joita on kuvattu joistakin
162 laakiobasalttiprovinseista. Toisin kuin tavalliset laakiobasaltit, ferropikriitit eivät
163 yleensä ole merkittävästi reagoineet litosfäärin kanssa ja siksi ne tarjoavat
164 arvokasta tietoa suoraan laakiobasalttimuodostumien alkulähteiltä – mantereisen
165 litosfäärin alaisesta vaipasta. Ferropikriitit ovat usein yhdistetty anomaalisen
166 korkeisiin vaipan lämpötiloihin ja vaippapluumeihin, mutta näiden erikoisten
167 kivien syntyyn liittyy useita kysymyksiä: Mistä niiden korkea rautapitoisuus on
168 peräisin? Miten ne kytkeytyvät laakiobasalttien syntyyn?

169 Tässä väitöskirjatyössä käsitellään Vestfjellan (Kuningatar Maudin maa,
170 Etelämannen) ferropikriittien ($\text{FeO}_{\text{tot}} = 13\text{--}17$ p. %; $\text{MgO} = 13\text{--}19$ p. %) sekä
171 niihin liittyvien muiden primitiivisten magmakivien – pikriittien, meimechiittien,
172 pikrobasalttien ja basalttien – geokemiaa ja petrologiaa. Nämä suureksi osaksi
173 aikaisemmin tuntemattomat kivet leikkaavat juonina Karoon suuren
174 magmaprovinssin laakiobasaltteja, jotka purkautuivat jurakaudella noin 180
175 miljoonaa vuotta sitten Gondwana-supermantereen repeämisprosessin
176 alkuvaiheiden aikana. Valikoiduista näytteistä (yhteensä 31 vähintään 11 juonesta)
177 analysoitiin mineraalien koostumuksia sekä pääalkuaine-, hivenalkuaine-, ja Sr,
178 Nd, Pb ja Os isotooppikoostumuksia.

179 Analysoidut näytteet voidaan jakaa hivenalkuaine- ja
180 isotooppikoostumuksensa perusteella kahteen magmatyyppiin: (1) Köyhtynyt
181 magmatyyppi (24 näytettä vähintään 9 juonesta) on köyhtynyt kaikkein
182 sopeutumattomimmista alkuaineista ja sen initiaali ϵ_{Nd} vaihtelee välillä +4.8 ja
183 +8.3 ja initiaali $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ välillä 0.1256–0.1277 (laskettuna 180 Ma ikäisenä).
184 (2) Rikastunut magmatyyppi (7 näytettä vähintään 2 juonesta) muistuttaa
185 geokemiallisesti merellisten saarten basaltteja ja sen initiaali ϵ_{Nd} vaihtelee välillä
186 +1.8 ja +3.6, ja initiaali $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ välillä 0.1401–0.1425 (laskettuna 180 Ma
187 ikäisenä). Kumpikaan magmatyyppi ei ole merkittävästi saastunut kuorellisella
188 aineksella.

189 Köyhtynyt magmatyyppi on peräisin Karoon päävaiheen aikana hyvin MgO-
190 rikkaista (jopa 25 p. %) kantasulista, jotka muodostuivat korkeissa lämpötiloissa
191 (vaipan potentiaalilämpötila > 1600 °C) ja paineissa (n. 5–6 GPa) pääosin
192 vesipitoisesta, köyhtyneestä ylävaipan peridotiitista. Rikastuneen magmatyyppin
193 lähteenä ovat vaipan heterogeeniset pyrokseenipitoiset komponentit, jotka
194 muodostuivat joko subduktoituneen merellisen kuoren reagoidessa vaipan
195 peridotiitin kanssa tai sulametasomatoosin seurauksena.

196 Geokemiallisen mallinnuksen perusteella monet Karoon laakiobasalteista
197 ovat alun perin (eli ennen saastumistaan litosfäärin aineksilla) peräisin samasta
198 vaippalähteestä kuin köyhtynyt magmatyyppi. Tästä lähteestä ovat
199 todennäköisesti peräisin myös Intian Valtameren keskiselänteen basaltit. Nämä
200 havainnot ja köyhtyneelle magmatyypille arvioidut korkeat lähdelämpötilat
201 tukevat käsitystä siitä, että Karoon laakiobasaltit saivat suurimmaksi osaksi

202 alkunsa Gondwana-supermantereen alaisen vaipan sisäisen lämpenemisen, ei
203 niinkään ylävaippaan tunkeutuneen syvän vaippapluumin, seurauksena.

204 Tutkimukseni tukee näkemystä siitä, että ferropikriittiset sulat voivat syntyä
205 monin eri tavoin: poikkeuksellisen korkea rautapitoisuus saavutetaan helpoimmin,
206 jos lähdemateriaali vaipassa sulaa (1) alhaisella asteella (2) ja/tai korkeassa
207 paineessa, ja/tai (3) lähdemateriaali sisältää rikastuneita komponentteja (esim.
208 pyrokseeniittia tai metasomatoitunutta peridotiittia). On kuitenkin
209 huomionarvoista, että ferropikriittinen kokokivikoostumus voi olla myös
210 seurausta akkumulaatiosta, sekundaarisesta muuttumisesta tai fraktioivasta
211 kiteytymisestä, ja erityistä huomiota on siksi kiinnitettävä kantamagman
212 koostumuksen määrittämiseen.

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258 subalkaline melts from the Antarctic extension of the Karoo large igneous province.
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297	Abbreviations	
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299	AFC	= assimilation-fractional crystallization
300	CFB	= continental flood basalt
301	CT1, CT2, CT3, CT4	= continental tholeiite magma types of Vestfjella
302	EC-AFC	= energy-constrained assimilation-fractional crystallization
303	EM	= enriched mantle
304	F	= degree of melting
305	HFSE	= high field strength element
306	ICP-MS	= inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometry/spectrometer
307	K_d	= mineral/melt partition coefficient
308	K_D	= mineral/melt bulk partition coefficient
309	LILE	= large-ion lithophile element
310	LIP	= large igneous province
311	LOI	= loss on ignition (~volatile content)
312	Ma	= million years / million years ago
313	MORB	= mid-ocean ridge basalt
314	N-MORB	= normal mid-ocean ridge basalt
315	OIB	= oceanic island basalt
316	P	= pressure
317	SCLM	= subcontinental lithospheric mantle
318	T	= temperature
319	T_{ex}	= excess potential temperature relative to ambient upper mantle
320	T_p	= mantle potential temperature
321	TIMS	= thermal ionization mass spectrometry
322	TTG	= tonalite-trondjemite-granodiorite
323	XRF	= X-ray fluorescence

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351 1. Introduction

352 353 1.1. Continental flood basalts – an unsolved mystery

354 Several times in the history of planet Earth, enormous volumes ($>0.1 \text{ Mkm}^3$) of
355 magma have emplaced into the crust and on the surface of the Earth far away from
356 major plate boundaries in relatively short periods of time ($\leq 50 \text{ Ma}$; $>75\%$ of total
357 volume within $\sim 5 \text{ Ma}$; Bryan & Ernst 2008). The remains of these catastrophic
358 events have been termed Large Igneous Provinces (LIP) and they include oceanic
359 plateaus, ocean basin flood basalts, giant continental dike swarms, silicic LIPs,
360 Archean tholeiite-komatiite associations, volcanic rifted margins, and continental
361 flood basalt (CFB) provinces (Bryan & Ernst 2008). CFB provinces (Fig. 1) are of
362 particular importance as their formation commonly preceded or was coeval with
363 continental break-up and their emplacement likely had a significant effect on the
364 contemporary climate and biosphere.

365 CFBs have been extensively studied, but their origin is still a matter of
366 considerable debate: a great variety of models have been proposed in order to
367 explain their petrogenesis and geological characteristics (see, e.g., Macdougall
368 1988; Saunders 2005; Bryan & Ernst 2008). The formation of CFBs was
369 traditionally considered to be controlled by crustal tectonics and/or ambient
370 mantle convection (e.g., Gibson 1966; Clifford 1968; Cox 1978) until Richards *et*
371 *al.* (1989) suggested that the arrival of the “head” of a lower-mantle-sourced
372 thermal upwelling, i.e., mantle plume (Morgan 1971) onto the base of the
373 continental lithosphere could be held responsible for the extensive magma
374 production. The plume hypothesis (to explain CFB origins) was further developed
375 during the 1990’s (e.g., Campbell & Griffiths 1990; Kent *et al.* 1992; Farnetani &
376 Richards 1994; Bercovici & Mahoney 1994), but has been increasingly challenged
377 by recently developed lithosphere-focused models that include decompression
378 melting triggered by delamination (Elkins-Tanton & Hager 2000; Elkins-Tanton
379 2005), melting of fertile mantle components (Anderson 1994, 2005, 2007)
380 associated with extension (Foulger 2007), and edge-driven convection (King &
381 Anderson 1995, 1998). Furthermore, the Siberian Traps CFB province has been
382 considered by Jones *et al.* (2002) as the result of melting related to an impact of an
383 extraterrestrial projectile. In some models plate tectonic processes are
384 accompanied by mantle plumes (White & McKenzie 1989) and temperature
385 increases in the subcontinental mantle explained by “passive” processes, such as
386 internal heating of supercontinent-insulated mantle (e.g., Gurnis 1988; Coltice *et*
387 *al.* 2007). Nevertheless, a central question in the discussion on the CFB origins is
388 whether these huge manifestations of basic magmatism were associated with
389 notable positive thermal anomalies in the subcontinental upper mantle ($T_{\text{ex}} \geq 100$
390 $^{\circ}\text{C}$; e.g., Richards *et al.* 1989; White & McKenzie 1989; Johnston & Thorkelson
391 2000; Thompson & Gibson 2000; Coltice *et al.* 2007) or not ($T_{\text{ex}} \approx 0 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$; e.g.,
392 King & Anderson 1995; Anderson 2000, 2005; Elkins-Tanton 2005; Foulger
393 2007).

394 The debate on the origin of CFBs is largely fueled by the lack of knowledge
395 on the parental magmas and mantle sources involved. This stems from the fact
396 that CFBs usually are fairly evolved ($\text{MgO} < 10 \text{ wt. } \%$) and generally show strong
397 lithospheric geochemical signatures, which hinder the identification of their
398 parental melt compositions and ultimate mantle sources (Fig. 2; e.g.,
399 Hawkesworth *et al.* 1992; Hooper & Hawkesworth 1993; Lightfoot *et al.* 1990,
400 1993; Wooden *et al.* 1993; Pik *et al.* 1999; Luttinen & Furnes 2000; Sano *et al.*

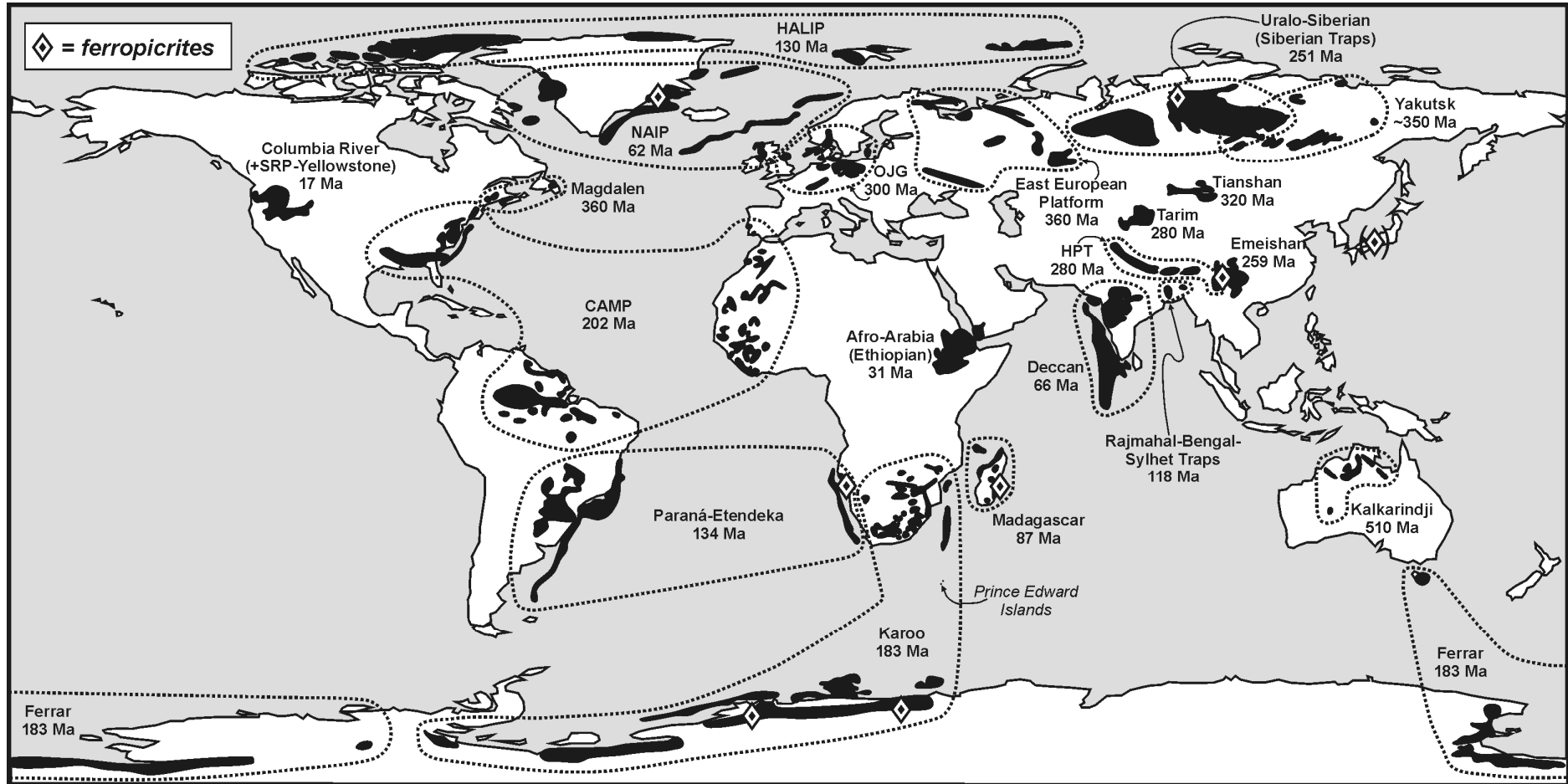
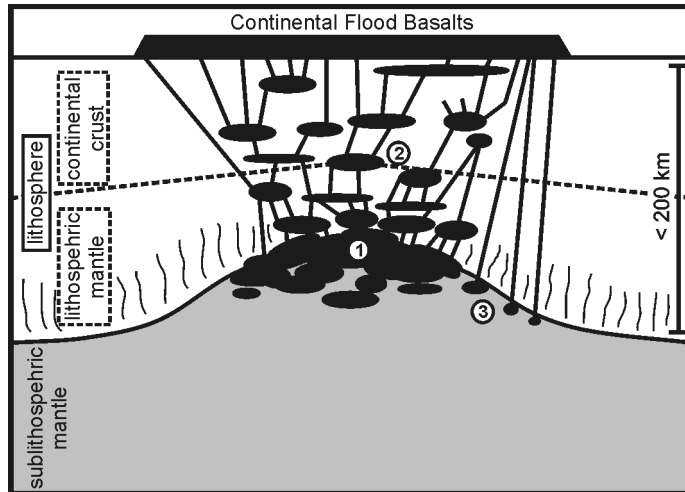


Figure 1. Locations of Phanerozoic ferropicrites and LIPs with CFB affinities (after Bryan & Ernst 2008). Prince Edward oceanic island group also shown. Ages denote the onset of the first major magmatic pulse (cf. Bryan & Ernst 2008). HALIP = High Arctic Large Igneous Province; NAIP = North Atlantic Igneous Province; CAMP = Central Atlantic Magmatic Province; OJG = Oslo-Jutland-NE Germany; HPT = Himalaya-Panjal Traps; SRP = Snake River Plain.

401 2001; Tommasini *et al.* 2005; Jourdan *et al.* 2007a). Some have even questioned
 402 whether sublithospheric sources are needed at all and have suggested that some
 403 CFBs may have formed by wholesale melting of mantle lithosphere (e.g., Turner
 404 *et al.* 1996). There is also a considerable debate on whether the possible
 405 sublithospheric end-member components represent mantle sources similar to those
 406 of mid-ocean ridge basalts (MORBs; derived from ambient depleted upper
 407 mantle) and/or ocean island basalts (OIB; derived from anomalous upper mantle
 408 or mantle plume) (e.g., Macdougall 1988; Ellam & Cox 1989, 1991; Ellam *et al.*
 409 1992; Menzies 1992; Horan *et al.* 1995; Ellam & Stuart 2000; Peate *et al.* 2003;
 410 Carlson *et al.* 2006; Ellam 2006).
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 413 **Figure 2.** Schematic model of flood basalt generation. The parental melts originate in the
 414 subcontinental mantle (1) and subsequently evolve, assimilate, and mix in magma chambers within
 415 the lithosphere (2). In rare occasions (such as in the case of many ferropicrites), sublithospheric
 416 mantle-derived melts avoid lithospheric contamination (3).
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418 1.1.1. The Karoo large igneous province

419 The Karoo LIP is a Jurassic CFB province that manifests huge outpourings of
 420 basaltic magma (up to 2×10^6 km³; Richards *et al.* 1989) in a developing rift
 421 between Africa and Antarctica during the early stages of the breakup of the
 422 Gondwana supercontinent (Fig. 1, 3). Other CFB provinces related to the early
 423 stages of Gondwana dispersal are the coeval Ferrar CFB province and the
 424 Cretaceous Paraná-Etendeka CFB province (Fig. 3). The bulk of the exposed
 425 Karoo CFBs are located in southern Africa, but their remnants can also be found
 426 in several nunataks of western Dronning Maud Land, Antarctica (Fig. 1, 3).
 427 Karoo-related dike swarms and sills are more widespread than the lavas (Fig. 3)
 428 and, in places, also overlap with contemporaneous Ferrar-type intrusive rocks
 429 (Leat *et al.* 2006; Riley *et al.* 2006). The ⁴⁰Ar/³⁹Ar datings of Karoo-related rocks
 430 indicate that magmatism was active over ~16 Ma (190–174 Ma) with the main
 431 volume of mafic magmas being emplaced within ~184–178 Ma (Duncan *et al.*
 432 1997; Zhang *et al.* 2003; Jourdan *et al.* 2005, 2007b; Riley *et al.* 2005).
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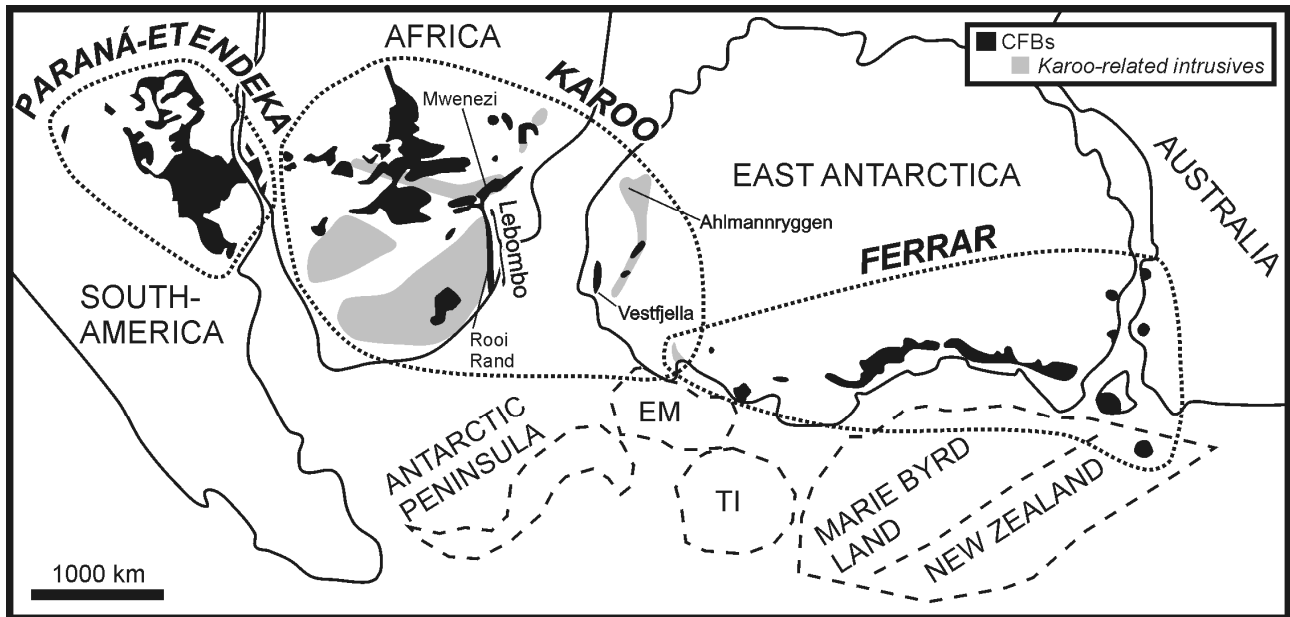
434 Most of the Karoo CFBs and related rocks show geochemical evidence of
 435 strong lithospheric influence (e.g., Hawkesworth *et al.* 1984; Sweeney *et al.* 1994;
 436 Luttinen *et al.* 1998; Luttinen & Furnes 2000; Riley *et al.* 2005; Ellam 2006;
 437 Jourdan *et al.* 2007a) and, presumably, undisturbed sublithospheric compositions
 438 are rare. Even the most primitive Karoo volcanic rocks found in southern Africa,
 the Mwenezi picrites (Fig. 3), are characterized by enriched lithospheric

439 geochemical signatures (Ellam & Cox 1989, 1991; Sweeney *et al.* 1991; Ellam *et al.* 1992; Ellam 2006). In southern Africa, some of the MORB-like basaltic dikes
440 of Rooi Rand (Fig. 3) are the only known examples of Karoo rocks that have been
441 thought to preserve sublithospheric mantle-derived compositions (Duncan *et al.*
442 1990). They have been ascribed to the final stages of Karoo magmatism at ~174
443 Ma and mark the initiation of ocean floor spreading between Africa and
444 Antarctica (Duncan *et al.* 1990; Watkeys 2002; Jourdan *et al.* 2007b).

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446 Most of the Karoo-related rocks with sublithospheric geochemical affinities
447 have been found within the Antarctic extension of the Karoo LIP. They include
448 MORB-like dikes (CT2 subtype) at Vestfjella (Luttinen & Furnes 2000) and
449 ferropicrite dikes and related rocks at Ahlmannryggen (Group 3; Riley *et al.* 2005)
450 and Vestfjella (OIB-like CT4 magma type; Luttinen *et al.* 1998) (Fig. 3). The
451 ferropicrites of Ahlmannryggen have been dated at ~190 Ma, although with
452 considerable uncertainty, and could thus be related to the initial stages of the
453 Karoo magmatism (Riley *et al.*, 2005). The absolute ages of the uncontaminated
454 mantle-derived magma types of Vestfjella have not been reliably constrained (cf.
455 Zhang *et al.* 2003).

456 The Karoo province has been at the focus of CFB research throughout the
457 history of modern petrology. Notable studies of, e.g., Cox *et al.* (1965, 1967) and
458 Cox (1970, 1972) and the South African National Geodynamics Programme
459 “Petrogenesis of the Volcanic Rocks of the Karoo Province” (Erlank 1984) laid
460 down the guidelines and resulted in significant amounts of geochemical data on
461 Karoo volcanic rocks. The plume model for Karoo volcanism was first invoked by
462 Burke & Dewey (1972). Richards *et al.* (1989) further considered Karoo CFBs to
463 represent magmas produced by the plume “head” and the Prince Edward islands
464 in the Indian Ocean (Fig. 1) to manifest the current location of the hotspot and
465 volcanism caused by the subsequent thermal upwelling related to the plume “tail”.
466 The plume model has recently been supported by paleostress and liquidus
467 temperature estimates for some Karoo dikes in Antarctica (Riley *et al.* 2005;
468 Curtis *et al.* 2008). Structural analyses, geochemical affinities, and temporal
469 relationships of the great majority of Karoo-related rocks, however, point to a
470 strong control of lithosphere on the magmatism (Cox *et al.* 1967; Cox 1988;
471 Duncan *et al.* 1984; Ellam & Cox 1989; Sweeney *et al.* 1991, 1994; Luttinen *et al.*
472 1998; Luttinen & Furnes 2000; Jourdan *et al.* 2005, 2006, 2007a, 2007b), and in
473 many cases, question a plume origin. Recently, rifting associated with prolonged
474 period of internal mantle heating beneath an insulating supercontinent has been
475 also suggested as the dominant cause for the Karoo magmatism (Coltice *et al.*
476 2009; cf. Silver *et al.* 2006).

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Figure 3. Distribution of Mesozoic CFBs in reconstructed Gondwana supercontinent. In the case of the Karoo province, the known extent of intrusive equivalents (found outside CFBs) is also shown. Reconstruction modified after Hergt *et al.* (1991), Storey *et al.* (1992), Segev (2002), Leat *et al.* (2006), and Jourdan *et al.* (2004). EM = Ellsworth-Whitmore Mountains, TI = Thurston Island.

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1.2 Ferropicrites – continental messengers from the sublithospheric mantle

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Ferropicrites (Fig. 4) are subalkaline or mildly alkaline primitive rocks that were first described from the Paleoproterozoic Pechenga volcanic belt in Fennoscandia (Hanski & Smolkin 1989, 1995; Hanski 1992). Since then, they have been found to represent a volumetrically minor, yet petrologically fundamental magma type in several Precambrian volcanic belts with LIP-affinities (e.g., within Dharwar Craton in India, Onverwacht Group volcanic succession in South Africa, and Slave and Superior Provinces in North America; Table 1; Stone *et al.* 1995; Francis *et al.* 1999; Gibson 2002; Goldstein & Francis 2008) and in Phanerozoic CFB provinces (Karoo, Paraná-Etendeka, North Atlantic Volcanic Province, Siberian Traps, and Madagascar; Table 1; Fig. 1; Gibson *et al.* 2000; Gibson 2002; Riley *et al.* 2005). Ferropicritic whole-rock compositions have also been published from the Phanerozoic Emeishan CFB province (Zhang *et al.* 2006) and highly magnesian olivine-cumulates from a Permian accreted oceanic plateau in Japan have been considered as “ferropicritic” in character (Ichiyama *et al.* 2006, 2007) (Fig. 1). Phanerozoic ferropicrites are found as lava flows that represent the lowermost stratigraphic portions of CFB provinces and/or as dikes that crosscut the CFBs and/or the surrounding basement rocks (Table 1; Gibson *et al.* 2000; Gibson 2002; Riley *et al.*, 2005). Where stratigraphic correlations are possible, ferropicrites are commonly found as basal lavas also in Precambrian successions (Table 1; e.g., Hanski 1992; Gibson 2002).

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The mineral composition of unaltered ferropicrites is dominated by olivine phenocrysts and groundmass consisting of clinopyroxene, plagioclase, and Fe-Ti oxides (e.g., Gibson *et al.* 2000). Igneous amphibole and spinifex textures have also been described from some Precambrian ferropicrites (e.g., Hanski 1992; Hanski & Smolkin 1995; Stone *et al.* 1995, 1997). In addition to high FeO_{tot} contents, the geochemical characteristics of ferropicrites include relatively low

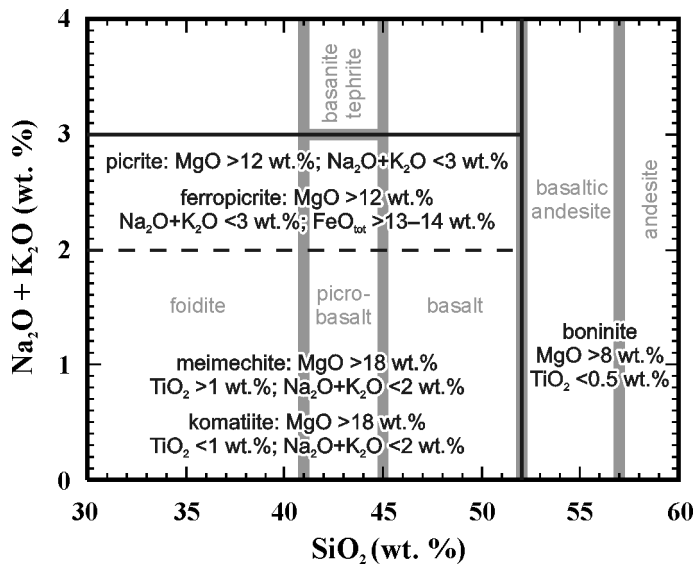
512 Al₂O₃, high TiO₂, high Sm/Yb, and generally positive (depleted) initial ε_{Nd} values
513 (Fig. 5, 6).

514 Ferropicrites and some picrites, meimechites, and Precambrian komatiites
515 (Fig. 4) are among the few continental intraplate volcanic rock types that have
516 crystallized largely from uncontaminated, sublithospheric mantle-derived near-
517 primary melts (Fig. 2). Ferropicrites are generally void of xenolithic material and,
518 when Phanerozoic, relatively unaltered (as opposed to, e.g., meimechites and
519 continental komatiites). In addition, the geochemical characteristics of
520 ferropicrites indicate derivation by lower degree of mantle melting (and/or from
521 more enriched sources) at higher pressures relative to common CFB
522 picrites/komatiites that originate as more homogenized and voluminous melt
523 patches at lower pressures (Fig. 2; e.g., Gibson 2002). Therefore, ferropicrites are
524 more likely to sample relatively small-scale heterogeneities and are particularly
525 important in constraining the composition of the subcontinental upper mantle and
526 understanding the origin of CFBs

527 Several workers have discussed the mantle sources of ferropicrites. Hanski
528 (1992) and Hanski & Smolkin (1995) were the first to recognize that ferropicrites,
529 such as those found in the Pechenga complex, cannot represent primary melts
530 derived from ambient mantle peridotite at any reasonable pressure. They
531 suggested that the ferropicrite mantle sources were metasomatized by Fe- and
532 incompatible element-enriched low-degree melts shortly prior to the main melting
533 event. Their conclusions were also supported by subsequent studies on Archean
534 ferropicrites (e.g., Stone *et al.* 1995). The expanding dataset of Archean
535 ferropicrites led Francis *et al.* (1999) to suggest that Archean mantle reservoirs
536 were enriched in iron relative to modern mantle. This suggestion was questioned
537 on the basis of subsequent findings of several Phanerozoic ferropicrites, however
538 (Gibson *et al.* 2000; Gibson 2002). Gibson (2002) provided a general petrogenetic
539 model that emphasizes the significance of recycled oceanic crust as a “re-
540 fertilizer” of peridotite in the starting-heads of mantle plumes since the Archean
541 times. Such re-fertilized peridotites would melt at higher pressures relative to
542 ambient mantle and, at CFB settings, thick continental lithosphere would restrict
543 subsequent mixing with larger-fraction picritic melts at lower pressures (Gibson
544 2002; Tuff *et al.* 2005). Accordant models, with recycled eclogite-bearing
545 (Ichiyama *et al.* 2006) or pyroxenitic (Tuff *et al.* 2005) mantle source, have been
546 subsequently developed for Phanerozoic Fe-rich suites, whereas peridotitic mantle
547 sources have been favored for Precambrian ferropicrites (Goldstein & Francis
548 2008). In the recycled source models, the relative Fe-enrichment has been
549 ascribed to partial melting of pyroxenite at high pressures (≥ 5 GPa; Tuff *et al.*
550 2005) and/or entrainment of relatively Fe-rich subducted oceanic crustal
551 component (Ichiyama *et al.* 2006), whereas in the most recent peridotite source
552 models it has been attributed to melting of primordial, Fe-rich olivine cumulates
553 in the mantle (Goldstein & Francis 2008). Jakobsen *et al.* (2005), in their study
554 concerning silicate liquid immiscibility, suggested that ferropicrites could also
555 form by mixing of evolved, immiscible Fe-rich liquids with picritic mantle melts.

556 In addition to discussion on the composition and the lithology of the
557 ferropicrite mantle sources, opinions differ whether these sources were water-
558 bearing (Hanski 1992; Stone *et al.* 1997) or anhydrous (Gibson 2002)
559 Nevertheless, although high water contents have profound implications for the
560 estimated liquidus temperatures of ferropicrite melts (by lowering them),
561 ferropicrites have generally been attributed to anomalously hot mantle sources and

562 mantle plumes (e.g., Hanski & Smolkin 1995; Stone *et al.* 1995; Walker *et al.*
 563 1997; Gibson *et al.* 2000; Gibson 2002; Riley *et al.* 2005; Goldstein & Francis
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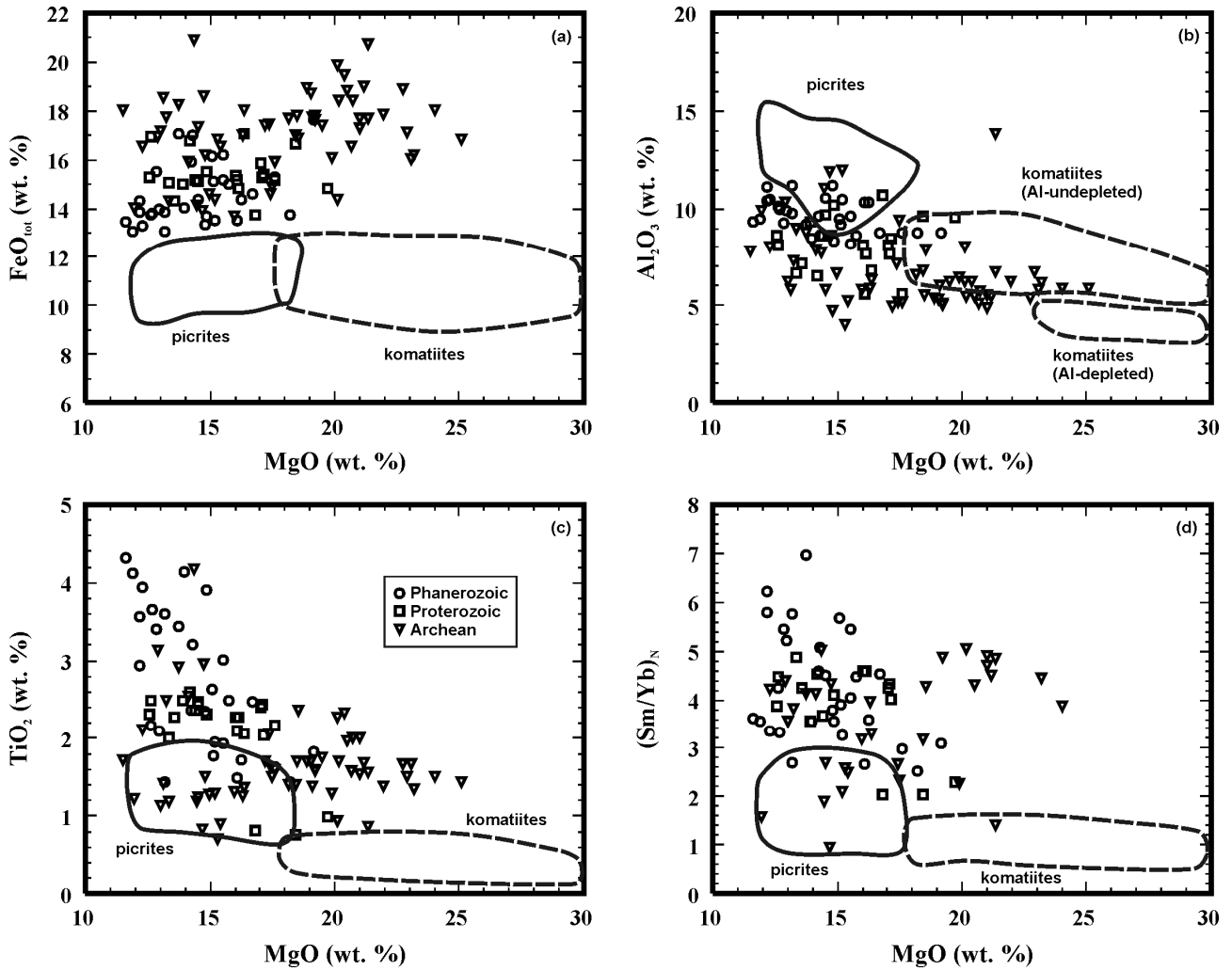


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 567 **Figure 4.** Classification and nomenclature for the highly magnesian volcanic rocks (black lines)
 568 after Le Bas (2000), except ferropicrite classification after Hanski & Smolkin (1989), Gibson *et al.*
 569 (2000), and Paper I. Total alkali-silica classification scheme for common volcanic rocks shown in
 570 gray in the background (Le Bas *et al.* 1986).
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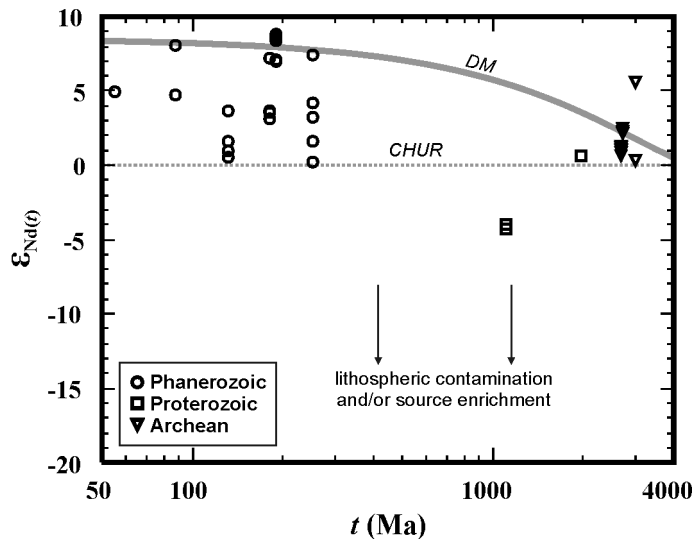
572 1.3 Objectives of this study

573 The Karoo-related ferropicrites of Vestfjella were first described in the studies of
 574 Luttinen *et al.* (1998) and Luttinen & Furnes (2000) as the CT4 magma type, one
 575 of the four Karoo “continental tholeiite” magma types of Vestfjella area. The main
 576 emphasis in these studies was on the abundant lithosphere-signatured lava flows
 577 (CT1–CT3) and CT4 was only superficially treated as a rare occurrence of OIB-
 578 like volcanic rocks, possibly derived from a mantle plume. The subsequent
 579 realization of their anomalously high Fe contents and findings of previously
 580 unknown ferropicrites with relatively depleted, more MORB-like incompatible
 581 trace element composition (Luttinen & Huhma 2005) were the initial sparks for
 582 my Ph.D. study, which I started immediately after finishing my M.Sc. studies in
 583 March 2006.

584 Given the overall rarity of primitive, sublithospheric mantle-derived
 585 volcanic rocks related to CFB provinces, my main goals were to provide high
 586 precision geochemical, mineral chemical, and isotopic data on these extraordinary
 587 rocks and their differentiates, define the nature of their mantle sources, and find
 588 answers to the greatly discussed origins of Karoo CFBs and ferropicrites in
 589 general. Related field studies at Antarctica were performed during December 2007
 590 – January 2008; detailed map of the study area with sampling locations is given in
 591 Fig. 7.
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 594 **Figure 5.** Variations of FeO_{tot} (a), Al₂O₃ (b), TiO₂ (c), and (Sm/Yb)_N (d) vs. MgO for ferropicrites. Fields for
 595 continental picrites and komatiites are shown for comparison (compiled from GEOROC:
 596 <http://georoc.mpchmainz.gwdg.de/georoc/>). Legend is shown in c.
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 599 **Figure 6.** Ferropicrites shown in $\epsilon_{Nd(t)}$ vs. t diagram. CHUR (the chondritic uniform reservoir)
 600 denotes the evolution of undifferentiated Earth (Wasserburg *et al.* 1981). The evolution path of the
 601 depleted mantle (DM) is after DePaolo (1981a). $\epsilon_{Nd(t)}$ calculated using $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd} = 0.512636$ and
 602 $^{147}\text{Sm}/^{144}\text{Nd} = 0.1966$. Data sources are given in Table 1.
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Table 1. Ferropicrites of the world and their characteristics (average CFB picrite and Precambrian komatiite shown for comparison).

Suite and age	Samples	Occurrence	MgO*	Fe _{tot} *	LOI*	Nb/Y	(Sm/Yb) _N [@]	Olivine Fo ^{\$}	Nature [#]	References
NAVP/East Greenland Phan. (55 Ma)	MF91-57b, MF91-57c	basal lava flows	12.2–13.2	13.9	3.5–3.6	?	5.8	?	uncertain	Fram & Leshner 1997
Madagascar Phan. (88 Ma)	MAN90-45, MAN90-47	basal lava flows	13.7–15.1	16.1–17.1	3.5–3.6	0.9–1.0	5.7–7.0	?	uncertain	Storey <i>et al.</i> 1997
Paraná-Etendeka/ Namibia Phan. (132 Ma)	97SB63, 97SB73 96SB48, 97SB67, 97SB68	dike & basal lava basal lava flows	12.2-14.3 12.6-15.5	14.3-15.9 13.8-15.1	0.9-1.6 0.2-0.5	0.9-1.1 0.5-0.7	4.6-6.2 3.9-4.2	76-85 (82) 64-81 (67)	primary cumulate	Gibson <i>et al.</i> 2000 Gibson <i>et al.</i> 2000
	SMG105, SMG016	basal lava flows	15.2-16.2	13.5-14.4	?	0.6-0.9	3.3-3.6	?	uncertain	Ewart <i>et al.</i> 1998
Karoo/Vestfjella depleted type Phan. (180 Ma)	AL/B14e-98, AL/B16-98, AL/WM1b-98	two dikes	14.5-16.7	14.4-15.0	1.1-3.8	0.4-0.5	4.5	79-89 (83)	primary (but differentiated)	Paper I, II
Karoo/Vestfjella enriched type Phan. (180 Ma?)	AL/B20a-98, 14-KHG-90, JSH/B006	a dike	12.8-15.5	15.5-17.0	2.4-5.5	0.7-0.8	5.1-5.5	78-83 (81)	primary	Paper I, III
Karoo/ Ahlmannryggen Phan. (190 Ma?)	Z.1812.1, Z.1812.2, Z.1812.3, Z.1813.1, Z.1816.2, Z.1817.2	dikes	11.6-14.8	13.1-14.0	0.9-2.6	0.2-0.3	3.3-3.6	70-86 (?)	uncertain	Riley <i>et al.</i> 2005
Siberian Traps/ Gudchichinsky Phan. (250 Ma)	SG-32 2245.5, SG-32 2301, SG-32 2332.7, 1F(18)	basal lava flows	13.2-18.2	13.1-15.3	7.4-8.4	0.4-1.0	2.7-3.0	72-81? (78?)	cumulate?	Wooden <i>et al.</i> 1993 Lightfoot <i>et al.</i> 1993 Olivine: see Sect. 3.1.1.
Emeishan/Lijiang Phan. (250 Ma)	DJ-2, DJ-35 DJ-26	basal lava flows basal lava flow	13.0-14.8 19.1	13.4-14.0 17.7	4.1-5.2 5.2	1.3-1.4 1.1	3.8-5.2 3.1	? 85-88 (86)	uncertain, alkaline? primary	Zhang <i>et al.</i> 2006 Zhang <i>et al.</i> 2006
<i>Average CFB picrite</i>	<i>compilation (n=375)</i>	<i>lavas and dikes</i>	<i>14.7</i>	<i>11.0</i>	<i>2.9</i>	<i>0.6</i>	<i>2.1</i>	<i>commonly <90</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>GEOROC database[□]</i>
Keweenaw Rift Prot. (1100 Ma)	PC-7, PC-8, TK-13	basal lava flows	16.8-19.7	13.7-16.7	?	0.1-0.2	2.0-2.3	?	uncertain	Shirey <i>et al.</i> 1994
Pechenga complex Prot. (1980 Ma)	1–4, Locations: 1Or, 2Ki–4Ki, 6Sh–13Sh (cf. References)	basal lava flows	12.5-17.6	14.3-17.0	3.8-11.5	0.8-0.9	3.6-4.9	olivine not preserved	likely primary	Hanski 1992 Hanski & Smolkin 1995
Slave Province/ Lake of the Enemy Arch. (2660 Ma)	EN-3, EN-5, EN-9, EN-12, EN-14, EN-16, EN-18, EN-22	amphibolite lenses within metasediments	12.3-17.4	14.6-20.9	0.7-2.0	0.7-1.2	2.7-5.0	olivine not preserved	likely primary	Francis <i>et al.</i> 1999

Table 1. Continued...

Suite and age	Samples	Occurrence	MgO*	FeO _{tot} *	LOI*	Nb/Y	(Sm/Yb) _N [®]	Olivine Fo [§]	Nature [#]	References
Western Superior Province/Grassy Portage Bay Arch. (2700 Ma)	GP-1, GP-3, GP-5–GP-9, GP-10–GP-20	amphibolite facies metatuffs within metasediments	14.5-24.0	13.7-19.9	0.8-5.6	0.8-1.1	2.7-4.9	olivine not preserved	likely primary	Goldstein & Francis 2008
Western Superior Province/ Lumby Lake Arch. (2700 Ma)	LM-27–LM29, LM-33–LM35, LM-37, LM-42, LM-43	greenschist facies metatuffs relatively high in the stratigraphy	11.5-25.1	16.2-20.8	1.0-14.3	0.4-1.8	1.4-4.8	olivine not preserved	likely primary	Goldstein & Francis 2008
Western Superior Province/ Boston Creek Flow Arch. (2720 Ma)	1-J29, 1-36, 1-43	metalavas (basal?)	13.0-15.4	16.6-17.2	3.3-4.8	0.6-0.8	2.5-3.5	olivine not preserved	likely primary	Stone <i>et al.</i> 1995
Kolar Schist Belt (India) Arch. (2900 Ma)	13-4, 17-10, 18-10, 19-7, 23-9	amphibolite facies metalavas	14.5-19.9	13.9-16.1	?	0.2-0.4	1.0-2.3	olivine not preserved	likely primary	Rajamani <i>et al.</i> 1985
Western Superior Province/ Steep Rock belt Arch. (3000 Ma)	SR-1, SR-3–SR-7, SR-17, SR-26–SR-28, SR-30, SR-48	greenschist facies basal metatuffs	14.8-22.8	15.9-19.0	5.7-13.5	1.1-1.6	4.5-5.0	olivine not preserved	likely primary	Goldstein & Francis 2008
Onverwacht Group (S Africa) Arch. (3500 Ma)	5048–5050	basal metalavas	12.0-20.1	14.0-14.4	0.5-3.5	0.2-0.3	1.6	olivine not preserved	likely primary	Jahn <i>et al.</i> 1982
<i>Average Prec. komatiite</i>	<i>compilation (n=897)</i>	<i>metavolcanic rocks</i>	<i>24.7</i>	<i>10.9</i>	<i>5.9</i>	<i>0.2</i>	<i>1.2</i>	<i><95 (rare)</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>GEOROC database[‡]</i>

* MgO, FeO_{tot}, and LOI (loss on ignition) given in wt. %. [®] Normalized to chondrite of McDonough & Sun (1995). [§] Range of core values and average (shown in parentheses) given. [#] Primary nature of the suites assessed (cf. Paper I). [‡] <http://georoc.mpch-mainz.gwdg.de/georoc/>

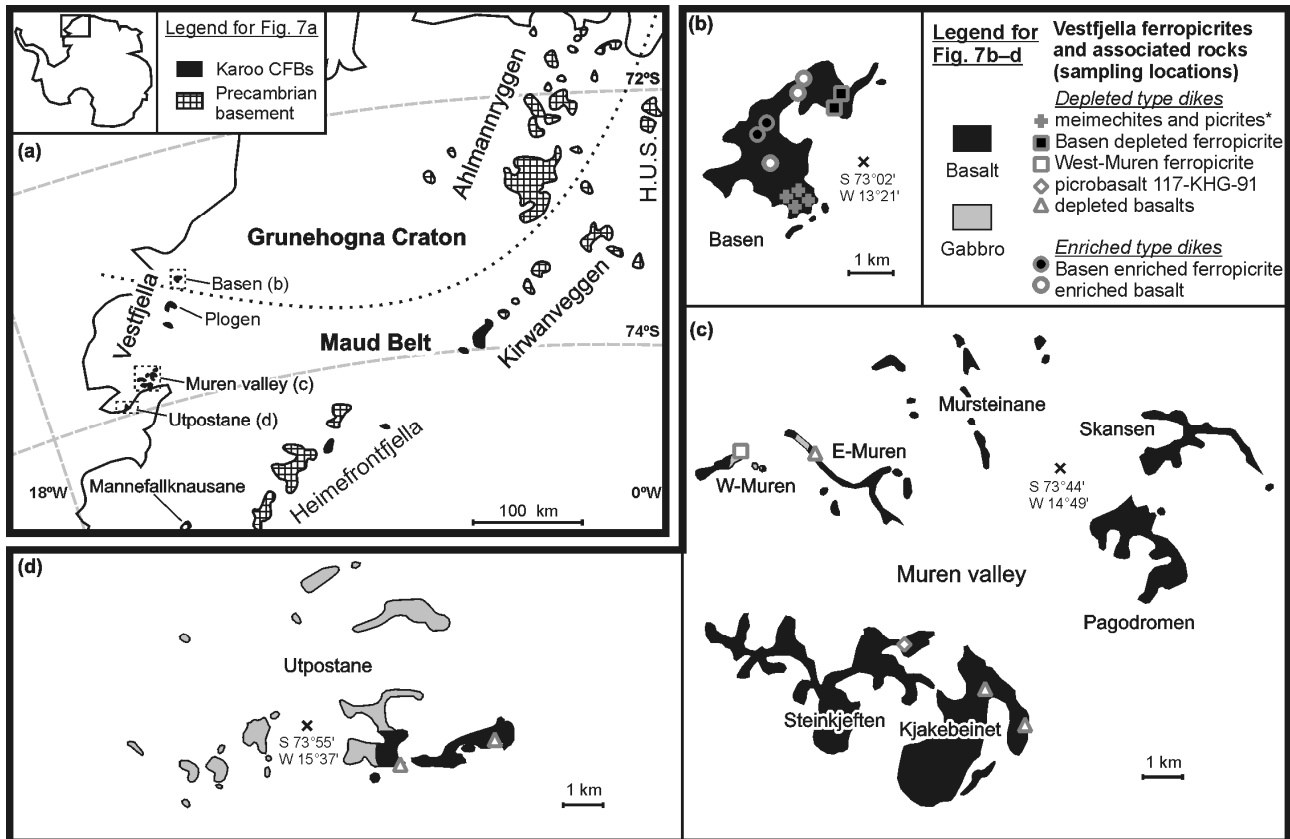


Figure 7. Distribution of Jurassic CFBs in western Dronning Maud Land (a) and ferropicrites and associated rocks (sampling locations shown) in Vestfjella (b-d). Lithospheric boundary between Archean Grunehogna craton and Proterozoic Maud Belt in (a) is after Corner (1994). H.U.S. = H. U. Sverdrupfjella. * Meimechites and picrites are only found as dike-derived boulders.

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1.4 Analytical methods

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612 Major and trace element data presented in Papers I and III have been obtained
613 with X-ray fluorescence spectrometer (XRF) and inductively coupled plasma
614 mass spectrometer (ICP-MS) at the GeoAnalytical Laboratory of the Washington
615 State University. In addition to Paper I, detailed descriptions of the GeoAnalytical
616 Laboratory procedures are given in Johnson *et al.* (1999) and Knaack *et al.*
617 (1994), respectively. Mineral chemical major element data presented in Papers I–
618 III have been obtained with electron microprobe by using five wavelength-
619 dispersive spectrometers (at the Geological Survey of Finland; Paper II, III) or one
620 energy-dispersive spectrometer (at the Department of Earth Sciences, University
621 of Cambridge; Paper I). Operation conditions and statistical data for the
622 microprobes are given in Papers I and II. Isotopic data have been obtained by
623 using thermal ionization mass spectroscopy (TIMS) at the Unit for Isotope
624 Geology, Geological Survey of Finland (for Sr and Nd; Papers I and III) and by
625 using TIMS and ICP-MS at the Department of Terrestrial Magnetism, Carnegie
626 Institution of Washington (for Sr, Nd, Pb, and Os; Paper III). Detailed
627 descriptions of the analytical methods are given in Papers I and III, respectively.

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633 2. Review of the original papers

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635 2.1 Paper I

636 Paper I provides field, petrographic, and whole-rock geochemical descriptions of
637 the ferropicrite dikes and associated rocks of Vestfjella and discusses the nature of
638 their mantle sources. In addition, olivine chemical data are presented for two
639 ferropicrite samples. On the basis of trace element and isotope geochemical
640 characteristics, the ferropicrites are divided into two distinct groups: (1) The
641 relatively depleted type exhibits chondrite-normalized $(\text{La}/\text{Sm})_{\text{N}}$ of 1.2–1.3 and
642 $(\text{Sm}/\text{Yb})_{\text{N}}$ of 4.5, and initial ϵ_{Sr} from -18 to -19 and ϵ_{Nd} from +7 to +8 (at 180 Ma).
643 (2) The relatively enriched type (CT4 magma type of Luttinen *et al.* 1998)
644 exhibits chondrite-normalized $(\text{La}/\text{Sm})_{\text{N}}$ of 1.7 and $(\text{Sm}/\text{Yb})_{\text{N}}$ of 5.1–5.4, and
645 initial ϵ_{Sr} from 0 to +1 and ϵ_{Nd} from +3 to +4. Geochemical modeling and the
646 presence of relatively Mg-rich olivine phenocrysts (Fo_{79-88}) indicate that at least
647 the depleted ferropicrites are likely to represent near-primary mantle melts that
648 have largely avoided lithospheric contamination and have been derived from
649 anomalous hot mantle sources. The meimechite ($\text{MgO} > 18$ wt. %) and basalt
650 ($\text{MgO} \leq 10$ wt. %) samples are considered as cumulates and differentiates from
651 ferropicritic magmas, respectively. The relatively high Fe and Ti contents and
652 oceanic island picrite- and OIB-like trace element signatures of the ferropicrites
653 are considered to indicate derivation from recycled, pyroxenitic mantle sources.
654 On the basis of the unusually high primitive-mantle-normalized $(\text{V}/\text{Lu})_{\text{N}}$ of the
655 depleted ferropicrites (1.9–2.2), the recycled component in their case is thought to
656 comprise of oceanic Fe-Ti gabbros. Global comparison reveals that many samples
657 described as ferropicrites in the literature may in fact represent olivine cumulates
658 or altered alkaline rocks and not crystallized equivalents of exceptionally Fe-rich
659 subalkaline melts. High $(\text{V}/\text{Lu})_{\text{N}}$ appears to be a characteristic feature of several
660 ferropicrites and is thought to indicate that Fe-Ti gabbro component was prevalent
661 in the mantle sources of such suites.

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663 2.2 Paper II

664 Paper II concentrates on the mineral chemistry (~400 analyses) of some of the
665 depleted meimechite ($n = 4$) samples of Vestfjella, and their petrological
666 implications. For comparison, mineral chemical data are also provided for two
667 samples from a depleted ferropicrite dike. Two of the meimechites are
668 characterized by “ferropicritic” olivines (Fo_{84-85}) and they obviously represent
669 cumulates from ferropicritic magmas (cf. Paper I). The other two meimechites,
670 however, are characterized by olivines that show extremely high Fo contents
671 (Fo_{90-91} ; up to Fo_{92}). These olivines are euhedral to subhedral, exhibit high CaO (\geq
672 0.19 wt. %), and contain Ti-rich (volcanic) spinel inclusions, and are thus
673 considered likely to represent true phenocrysts and not xenocrysts from mantle
674 peridotite. Moreover, the presence of igneous amphibole as inclusions in these
675 olivines is thought to indicate that the olivines crystallized from magmas that had
676 H_2O contents of ~1–2 wt. %. Calculations based on olivine-liquid equilibria
677 indicate that the meimechite parental magmas were very MgO-rich (up to 25 wt.
678 %) and were derived from extremely hot mantle sources (> 1600 °C) compatible
679 with the plume theory. The highly magnesian nature of the meimechites and their
680 geochemical and mineral chemical similarity to the depleted ferropicrites is
681 thought to cast doubt on the previously purported pyroxenite origins for the

682 depleted magma type (cf. Paper I) and, instead, suggest dominantly peridotitic
683 sources for them. Major and trace element comparisons with other highly
684 magnesian Phanerozoic magma types reveal similarities between the Vestfjella
685 meimechites, meimechites from the Siberian Traps LIP, and the purported
686 komatiite parental melts associated with the Paraná-Etendeka LIP, and indicate
687 their derivation from broadly similar sources and/or by similar melting processes
688 in anomalously hot sublithospheric mantle.
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690 **2.3 Paper III**

691 Paper III presents high-precision whole-rock isotope (Sr, Nd, Pb, and Os)
692 geochemical data on the meimechites, ferropicrites, and associated rocks of
693 Vestfjella (n = 8), and progresses on to place tighter constraints on their mantle
694 sources and interpret implications on the origins of the Karoo LIP and the breakup
695 of the Gondwana supercontinent. Additional reference datasets are presented for
696 samples of CT1, CT3, and MORB-like Low-Nb magma types of Vestfjella (n =
697 5). Major and trace element whole-rock geochemical data and olivine chemical
698 data are also provided for a relatively fresh sample of the enriched ferropicrite
699 dike. The isotopic data confirm that, unlike most of the Karoo magmas, the
700 depleted ferropicrites and associated rocks have not been significantly
701 contaminated by lithospheric materials. Their isotopic signature is
702 indistinguishable from that of SW Indian Ridge MORB and the MORB-like Low-
703 Nb type dikes of Vestfjella. This is thought to suggest their derivation from long-
704 term depleted upper mantle sources and cast doubt on their previously purported
705 plume origin (cf. Paper I, II). The enriched ferropicrites and associated rocks are
706 likely to sample pyroxenitic heterogeneities (cf. Paper I), but whether this source
707 was present in the lithospheric mantle (e.g., as metasomatic veins) or
708 sublithospheric mantle (e.g., as metasomatic veins or recycled lithospheric
709 materials) remains an open question. The overall isotopic similarity to EM-
710 signatored OIBs could indicate a recycled component with up to ~15 % of
711 sedimentary material. Given the probability that the enriched type and especially
712 the depleted type have been derived from anomalously hot upper mantle sources,
713 the recently introduced internal heating model of the upper mantle beneath a
714 supercontinent (Coltice *et al.* 2007, 2009) is considered to be the most likely
715 cause for the generation of the Karoo LIP.
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717 **3. Discussion**

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719 **3.1. Petrogenesis of the Vestfjella ferropicrites**

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721 In this section, I analyze and summarize the interpretations on the origin of the
722 Vestfjella ferropicrites (Paper I–III) and present some views that were not
723 considered in the original papers. All the available data support the division of the
724 Vestfjella ferropicrites and related rocks to relatively depleted and enriched types
725 that sampled distinct mantle sources (Paper I–III). Accordingly, I treat them
726 separately in two subsections.
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728 **3.1.1. Depleted type**

729 One of the most important findings on the depleted type ferropicrites was that they
730 do not represent undifferentiated mantle melts, as ferropicrites often are presumed

731 (cf. Paper I), but were likely derived by olivine fractionation from even more
732 magnesian meimechitic parental melts (Paper II). The geochemical and isotopic
733 modeling further indicated that these parental melts were likely derived from
734 hydrated Indian Ridge MORB-source upper mantle peridotite at high pressures
735 (~5–6 GPa) and temperatures ($T_p > 1600$ °C) (Paper II, III). Preliminary ^{40}Ar - ^{39}Ar
736 age data for three ferropicrite-related basaltic dikes (Kurhila *et al.* 2008; A. V.
737 Luttinen *et al.* in prep.) are compatible with interpretations that suggest the
738 crystallization of depleted type magmas during the main phase of Karoo
739 magmatism at ~180 Ma (cf. Paper III).

740 The depleted type has been treated as a largely coherent magma type (Paper
741 I–III), but there are indications that some of the dikes may have crystallized from
742 separately evolved melt batches. For example, the relatively large within-group
743 variations in FeO_{tot} , La/Sm, and Sm/Yb ratios are difficult to explain solely by
744 differentiation (e.g., olivine-fractionation and contamination), but rather require
745 differences in mantle melting conditions (Fig. 8). At least three subtypes that
746 likely derive from distinct parental magmas can be distinguished: (1) the
747 meimechites and picrites (and possibly also depleted basalts), (2) Basen
748 ferropicrite, and (3) West-Muren ferropicrite (Fig. 8). These observations along
749 with the overall undifferentiated nature of the rocks imply that the most primitive
750 magmas did not significantly mix or homogenize in large crustal magma
751 chambers, but rather intruded as relatively fast-moving separate magma pulses in
752 a way somewhat similar to kimberlitic magmas (cf. Paper II). On the other hand,
753 relatively wide within-sample variations in olivine phenocryst compositions
754 (Paper II), reversely zoned olivines in the West-Muren ferropicrite (Paper I; cf.
755 Appendix I) and rare, resorbed, and oscillatory zoned clinopyroxenes in
756 meimechite sample AL/B5-03 (Fig. 9) indicate that minor mixing took place in
757 some of the individual magma feeding channels. Although magma ascent
758 velocities likely were high (cf. Section 3.3.3), the nature of the ascent may have
759 been pulsating, thus allowing some mixing of cogenetic magmas in various stages
760 of differentiation (cf. Larsen & Pedersen 2000). Importantly, sample AL/B5-03
761 with evidence of mixing of clinopyroxene-saturated magmas has not been used in
762 the parental melt calculations (cf. Paper II).

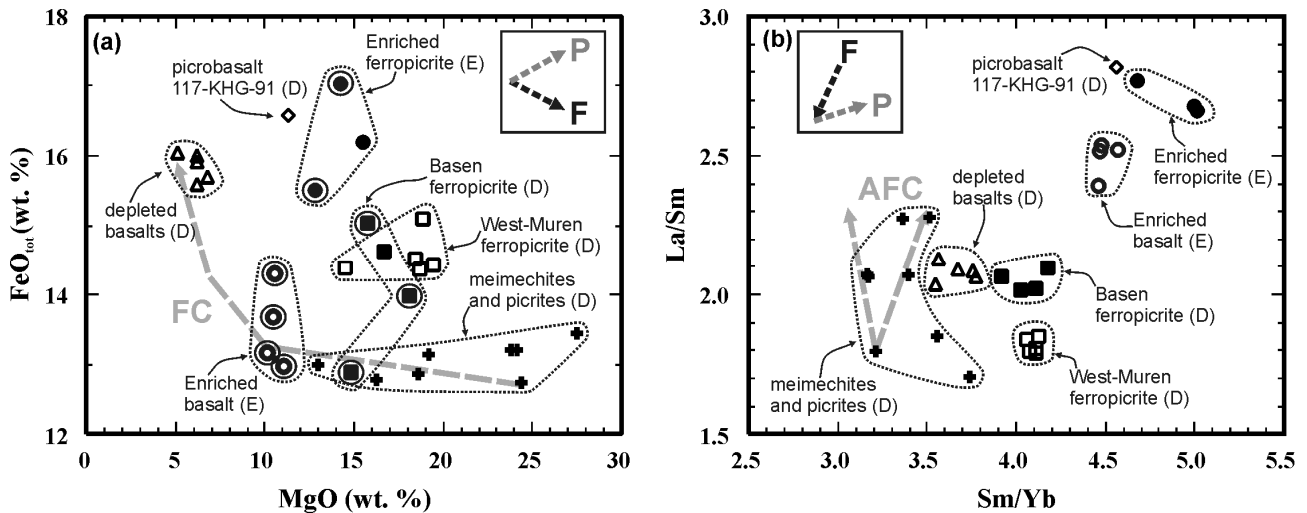
763 Although the major element and isotopic compositions of the depleted type
764 indicate derivation from depleted upper mantle peridotite, comparison of the
765 Vestfjella data with experimental results on peridotite partial melting reveal some
766 minor discrepancies related to minor and trace elements. Firstly, the TiO_2 contents
767 of the depleted type (> 1 wt. % in the parental melts; Paper II) are higher than in
768 partial melts of KLB-1 peridotite (estimated to correspond to depleted MORB-
769 source) even at very low degrees of melting (< 1 wt. % in general; cf. Herzberg &
770 Zhang 1996). Ti is not enriched in our samples relative to other similarly
771 incompatible elements (e.g., Eu and Gd; cf. Paper I), however, indicating a
772 general enrichment in all incompatible elements relative to KLB-1 partial melts. I
773 provide five alternative explanations for this discrepancy: (1) The peridotitic
774 source is not as depleted in incompatible elements as KLB-1; e.g., partial melting
775 experiments on fertile (“pyrolitic”) garnet peridotite have resulted in partial melt
776 TiO_2 contents up to 1.7 wt. % at ~10 % of melting (Walter 1998). (2) The
777 peridotitic source contains subordinate pyroxenite components. (3) The peridotitic
778 source has been enriched by metasomatic fluids. This had to happen relatively
779 shortly before melt generation or otherwise it would likely have affected the
780 isotope systematics. (4) The incompatible trace element characteristics have been

781 inherited from very low-degree, high-pressure initial peridotite partial melts,
782 whereas the major element compositions reflect subsequent more extensive
783 melting processes at lower pressures (McKenzie 1985; Saunders *et al.* 1988). (5)
784 The presence of water affected the partial melting process by decreasing K_D
785 values (e.g., Gaetani *et al.* 2003) thus resulting in high incompatible element
786 concentrations in the partial melts. It should be noted that the Indian Ridge
787 MORB do not represent N-MORB, but show relatively enriched compositions
788 indicative of possible subordinate enriched source components in the upper
789 mantle beneath Indian Ocean (e.g., Janney *et al.* 2005; Nishio *et al.* 2007);
790 importantly, Indian Ocean MORB and the Vestfjella depleted type are both
791 characterized by similar mild enrichments in large-ion lithophile elements (LILE)
792 (Paper III). Bearing this in mind, none of the aforementioned alternatives is in
793 discordance with the purported ambient upper mantle source for the depleted type.

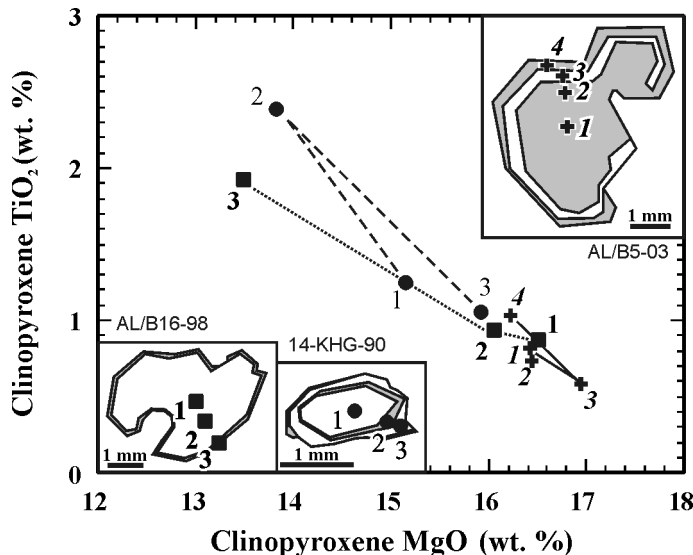
794 One problem that was highlighted in Paper III is that the mantle potential
795 temperatures calculated for the depleted type parental magmas ($T_p \approx 1640\text{--}1700$
796 $^\circ\text{C}$; Paper II) exceed those predicted by the internal mantle heating model (~ 1600
797 $^\circ\text{C}$ at maximum; Coltice *et al.* 2007). Temperature calculations in Paper II were
798 based on olivine-liquid equilibration following the method of Putirka *et al.*
799 (2007), but here I also performed additional thermobarometric modeling by using
800 the method of Lee *et al.* (2009). The advantage of this method is that it can be
801 utilized on any subalkaline whole-rock that is thought to represent olivine-
802 controlled melt composition derived from a peridotitic mantle source. By using
803 the samples AL/WM1b-98, AL/B16-98, and AL/B9-03 as the melt compositions
804 (cf. Paper I, II), altering the $\text{H}_2\text{O}^{\text{liq}}$ between 1 and 2 wt. % (cf. Paper II), and
805 assuming depleted (KLB-1; Davis *et al.* 2009) or fertile (KR4003; Xue *et al.*
806 1990) peridotite as the source material, the method results in T_p values ranging
807 $\sim 1630\text{--}1740$ $^\circ\text{C}$ and pressures ranging 4–7 GPa. The minimum temperatures are
808 marginally lower compared to those calculated in Paper II and were attained with
809 $\text{H}_2\text{O}^{\text{liq}} = 2$ wt. % and fertile peridotite source. The fertile peridotite source
810 alternative is particularly important as it may correspond to the possible
811 entrainment of subordinate enrichments (cf. above) that are likely to decrease the
812 solidus temperatures. It should also be noted that the estimated errors of the
813 methods of Lee *et al.* (2009) and Putirka *et al.* (2007) are ~ 3 % and ~ 5 % that
814 correspond to T_p variations of ~ 48 and ~ 80 $^\circ\text{C}$ at 1600 $^\circ\text{C}$, respectively. One
815 additional factor that could lower the calculated temperatures and has not been
816 considered is the CO_2 content of the parental magma. There is growing evidence
817 that carbonated peridotites may comprise a significant source component for the
818 alkaline OIBs (e.g., Dasgupta *et al.* 2006, 2007). In addition, CO_2 has been
819 suggested to be involved in the petrogenesis of the meimechites of the Siberian
820 Traps and lower the melt origination temperatures on the order of 100–150 $^\circ\text{C}$
821 (Elkins-Tanton *et al.* 2007). The overall subalkaline character of the depleted type
822 and the absence of associated carbonatites do not indicate marked mantle CO_2
823 influence in the case of Vestfjella, however (cf. Gibson *et al.* 2000; Elkins-Tanton
824 *et al.* 2007). In summary, it seems that the Vestfjella depleted type is difficult to
825 explain without an involvement of a significant thermal anomaly ($T_p > 1600$ $^\circ\text{C}$)
826 in the sub-Gondwanan upper mantle (cf. Paper II).

827 Overall, the depleted type was a challenging magma type to study. When
828 more and more data came available during the course of this project, some of the
829 original fundamental hypotheses on their origin were subjected to significant
830 revisions. In Paper I, the depleted type was thought to originate by plume-induced

831 partial melting of pyroxenite sources that entrained significant amounts of
 832 recycled oceanic Fe-Ti gabbros. In Paper II, the mineral chemical data indicated
 833 that the depleted type actually had fractionated from highly magnesian parental
 834 magmas that derive from dominantly peridotitic, instead of pyroxenitic, mantle
 835 sources. Paper III presented isotopic evidence on the upper mantle origin of the
 836 depleted type and thus questioned its plume origin (cf. Paper I, II). The depleted
 837 type may be considered a prime example how scientific knowledge is revised and
 838 refined on the basis of new – and sometimes unexpected – findings.
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 841 **Figure 8.** Geochemical characteristics of Vestfjella ferropicrites and associated rocks shown in (a) FeO_{tot} vs. MgO
 842 diagram and (b) La/Sm vs. Sm/Yb diagram. Highly altered samples ($\text{LOI} > 3$ wt. %) are encircled in (a); D = depleted
 843 types; E = enriched types. Fractional crystallization model (FC) as in Paper I, but with sample AL/B9-03 as a starting
 844 composition. Assimilation-fractional crystallization modeling (AFC; $r = 0.5$) performed by using lamproite (AL/KB8-
 845 98; Luttinen *et al.* 2002) and average upper continental crust (Rudnick & Gao 2003) as contaminants. Effects of
 846 pressure (P) and degree of melting (F) estimated on the basis of the experiments of Walter (1998) and Adam & Green
 847 (2006).



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 849 **Figure 9.** Clinopyroxene phenocryst chemistry of a Vestfjella depleted ferropicrite (AL/B16-98),
 850 enriched ferropicrite (14-KHG-90), and meimechite (AL/B5-03) shown in TiO_2 vs. MgO diagram.
 851 The phenocryst in 14-KHG-90 represents a part of a glomerocryst ($\varnothing \approx 6$ mm). Data from Paper II
 852 and Appendix I.

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854 **3.1.2. Enriched type**

855 In contrast to the depleted type ferropicrites, there are no indications of highly
856 magnesian parental magmas for the enriched type ferropicrites. Their relatively
857 low MgO contents, high FeO_{tot} and TiO₂ contents, and enriched OIB-like trace
858 element and isotopic signatures are all compatible with their derivation from
859 pyroxene-rich (recycled?) mantle source (Paper I, III).

860 Similar to the depleted type, the enriched type dikes also show relatively
861 large differences in FeO_{tot} contents and La/Sm and Sm/Yb ratios suggesting that
862 they evolved as two separate magmatic systems. Generalizing, the higher FeO_{tot},
863 La/Sm, and Sm/Yb of the enriched ferropicrite suggest derivation by lower degree
864 of melting and from more garnet-rich mantle relative to the enriched basalt (Fig.
865 8). Although one enriched ferropicrite sample contains a glomerocryst of
866 oscillatory zoned clinopyroxene (and minor altered olivine) that could indicate
867 magma mixing (Fig. 9), the absence of such glomerocrysts and other mixing-
868 related textures in all the other samples and the overall compositional
869 homogeneity of the olivine population (Paper III) indicate that the geochemical
870 effect of possible mixing processes has been negligible.

871 The implication of pyroxene-rich source notably hinders estimating the
872 physical conditions of mantle melting (e.g., P, T_p), because the available models
873 are only compatible with peridotite sources (e.g., Putirka *et al.* 2007; Lee *et al.*
874 2009). Nevertheless, the melting conditions of the enriched type parental magmas
875 can be tentatively estimated on the basis of melting experiments performed by
876 Tuff *et al.* (2005) on geochemically similar Paraná-Etendeka ferropicrites (Gibson
877 *et al.* 2000; cf. Paper III). The experiments indicated that the Paraná-Etendeka
878 parental melts originated at pressures of ≥ 5 GPa and T_p of ~ 1550 °C from a
879 garnet-pyroxenitic source. Although it is tempting to suggest similar conditions
880 also for the enriched type, it should be noted that whereas the Paraná-Etendeka
881 ferropicrites were thought to originate from an anhydrous source (Gibson *et al.*
882 2000; Gibson 2002), the enriched type shows evidence of hydrous parental melts
883 by containing igneous amphibole in olivine-hosted inclusions and as a
884 groundmass phase (Paper III; Appendix I). Petrography-based correction for 50%
885 crystallization of an anhydrous mineral assemblage (olivine + clinopyroxene)
886 indicates that the enriched type parental magma contained ~ 1.5 wt. % of H₂O (cf.
887 Paper II). If this difference in primary H₂O contents between the enriched type
888 and Paraná-Etendeka ferropicrites is real and not a result of false interpretations
889 (cf. Section 3.3.3), it could indicate lower temperatures of initial melting for the
890 former relative to the latter.

891 Although all the evidence point to a pyroxene-rich source for the enriched
892 type, the nature and origin of this source have not been tightly constrained:
893 recycled ferrobasalts (Paper I), sediment-bearing oceanic crust (Paper III), and
894 metasomatic veins (Paper III) have been suggested, but, e.g., linking specific
895 recycled crustal materials to EM-like mantle reservoir signatures has been proven
896 to be a complicated task at best (Paper III; cf. Stracke *et al.* 2003). Moreover, the
897 whole idea of recycled crust as a major OIB source contributor has recently been
898 questioned on the basis of several basic geochemical and geophysical
899 observations, and more emphasis has been given to the role of recycled
900 lithospheric mantle sections (e.g., Niu & O'Hara 2003; Niu 2009). Bearing this in
901 mind and given the significant pitfalls in modeling the alteration, subduction,
902 dehydration, metamorphism, blending, and recycling of oceanic crust (e.g.,

903 Stracke *et al.* 2003), the ultimate origin of the enriched type remains
904 ambiguous until more sophisticated methods for such evaluations are available
905 (cf. Paper III).

906 The temporal position of the enriched type relative to Karoo magmatism is
907 unclear. The fact that they sample relatively small-scale heterogeneities in the
908 sub-Gondwanan mantle, however, may imply that they originated either shortly
909 before or after the main magmatic phase (~184–178 Ma) that was likely
910 associated with relatively large-scale mantle melting (cf. Paper I; Gibson 2002).
911 The fact that the enriched type is found as dikes that further show reverse
912 paleomagnetic polarity (Peters 1989) – as opposed to the normally polarized
913 CFBs that they crosscut (Hargarves *et al.* 1997) – is more compatible with the
914 latter option.

915 In summary, there are many open questions in the petrogenesis of the
916 enriched type: the ultimate nature of the source components, the melting
917 conditions in this source, as well as the temporal relationship to the Karoo
918 magmatism remain uncertain. Although their rarity (only two dikes known)
919 indicates that they represent a rather anomalous type of magmatism which
920 probably did not contribute significantly to the Karoo magmatism in general (cf.
921 Paper III, Section 3.2.1), they are important in providing evidence that the sub-
922 Gondwanan upper mantle contained enriched sources similar to those of OIB.

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924 **3.2. Implications on the origin of the Karoo continental** 925 **flood basalt province**

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927 **3.2.1. Geochemical comparisons and petrogenetic relationships**

928 Geochemical comparisons between Vestfjella ferropicrites and other Karoo
929 magma types have been minutely performed in Papers I and III. In general, the
930 lack of detailed trace element and isotopic (namely Pb and Os) data on the Karoo
931 CFBs restricts comparisons and, in the case of many Karoo lavas and related
932 intrusive rocks, any kind of compositional information has not been published
933 (e.g., parts of Zambia, Zimbabwe, and South Africa; cf. Jourdan *et al.* 2007a).
934 Moreover, the fact that ferropicrites initiate under anomalous melting conditions
935 (e.g., relatively low-degree and high pressure of melting; Section 3.3; Paper I)
936 makes the comparison with common CFBs difficult even in the case of a possible
937 common mantle source. As a starting point, the Vestfjella ferropicrites have
938 potential to sample Karoo source end-members, because they derive directly from
939 the subcontinental mantle (Paper III).

940 Volcanic rocks that exhibit identical compositional characteristics (e.g.,
941 combination of high Fe and Sm/Yb) with the Vestfjella ferropicrites are not
942 known from the Karoo province. Some Fe-rich lavas of Lebombo (Sweeney *et al.*
943 1994) have been speculated to represent contaminated differentiates of enriched
944 ferropicrite-like parental magmas (Paper I), but further comparison is hampered
945 by inadequate geochemical data also in their case (cf. Paper III). On the other
946 hand, their relatively low Ti contents (cf. Fig. 12 of Paper I) may imply that they
947 sampled a more Ti-poor source relative to the enriched type. The relatively high
948 Nb content of the enriched type is also a very peculiar feature within the Karoo
949 framework (Paper III). Such a characteristic is difficult to explain by lithospheric
950 contamination and indicates derivation from an anomalous source component
951 (Paper III). On the other hand, effective contamination of such Nb-rich magmas

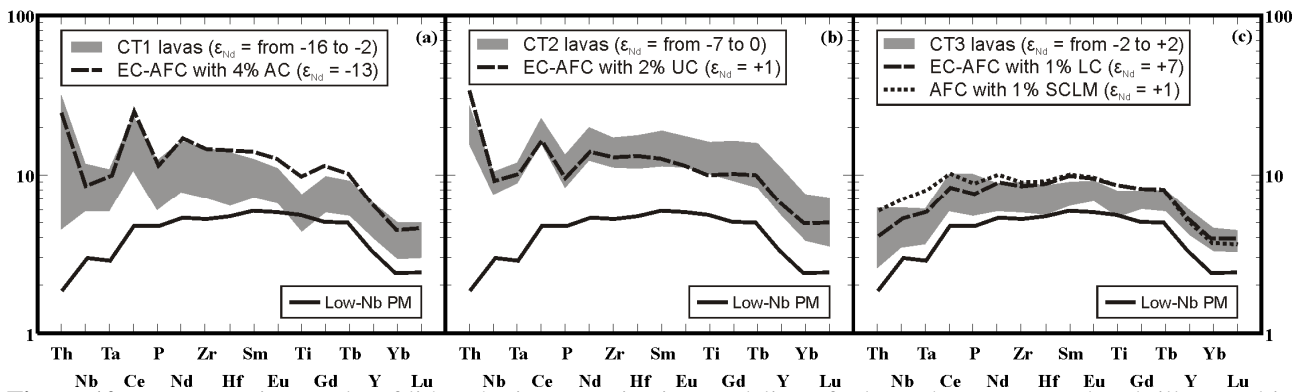
952 with crustal materials may result in Nb-depleted volcanic rocks, possibly
953 represented by some Karoo CFBs (cf. Fig. 7 in Paper III). Given the peculiar OIB-
954 like compositional characteristics of the enriched type, and the fact that it is only
955 known from two dikes on Basen nunatak (Fig. 7b), I suggest that they derive from
956 some anomalous pyroxene-rich upper mantle source that was not involved in the
957 generation of the majority of Karoo CFBs (cf. Paper III).

958 The Vestfjella depleted type, on the other hand, originated from the same
959 ambient upper mantle source that produced the MORB-like low-Nb dikes of
960 Vestfjella (Paper III). These magma types are isotopically indistinguishable and
961 the differences in their major and trace element composition can be readily
962 attributed to differences in initial melting conditions (Paper III). In order to
963 investigate the importance of this upper mantle source in the petrogenesis of
964 Antarctic Karoo CFBs in general, I modeled lithospheric contamination of low-
965 Nb type magmas that, rather than depleted ferropicrites that originated as low-
966 degree melts at extremely high pressures, are likely to provide more feasible
967 parental magma compositions for the modeling. Accordingly, I used a
968 fractionation-corrected (~30 % of olivine) low-Nb sample P27-AVL with the
969 highest initial ϵ_{Nd} (+7.7) and lowest initial ϵ_{Sr} (-15.7) as the parental melt
970 composition (cf. Luttinen & Furnes 2000). I modeled contamination with crustal
971 and subcontinental lithospheric mantle (SCLM) material separately (cf. Paper III).
972 Energy-constrained assimilation and fractional crystallization (EC-AFC; Bohrsen
973 & Spera 2001; Spera & Bohrsen 2001) modeling of crustal contamination takes
974 into account the latent heat of crystallization and partial melting of wall rock.
975 Crustal contaminants used in the model are an Archean TTG (representing
976 Grunehogna craton; Fig. 7) and average upper and lower continental crust
977 (representing Maud Belt; Fig. 7). Conventional AFC modeling (DePaolo 1981b)
978 was preferred in the case of SCLM, because of significant uncertainties regarding
979 its physicochemical nature (cf. Paper III). Lamproitic contaminant is thought to
980 represent a fair approximation of a SCLM-derived low-degree partial melt
981 composition (Luttinen *et al.* 2002). The input parameters for the contamination
982 models are presented in Table 2 and the results that are most reminiscent of the
983 various CT lava signatures are presented in Fig. 10. Modeling was utilized only
984 on high field strength elements (HFSE) that, unlike LILE, are not mobile during
985 secondary alteration.

986 The CT1 lavas exhibit strong indications of lithospheric contamination by
987 showing, e.g., high Th/Ta, La/Sm, Ce/Nb, and Ce/P and low Ti/Zr ratios and
988 highly unradiogenic initial ϵ_{Nd} (Fig. 10a). The model replicates the CT1 signature
989 fairly well by 4% contamination of a low-Nb parental melt with Archean crustal
990 material (Fig. 10a). It is important to note, however, that, e.g., the Ti contents of
991 the most depleted CT1 samples are lower than in the hypothetical parental melt
992 (Fig. 10a). This feature, along with the differences in the heavy rare earth element
993 contents between the model and CT1 lavas (Fig. 10a), can be readily explained by
994 derivation of CT1 and low-Nb parental melts by distinct melting conditions (e.g.,
995 higher degree of melting at higher pressure in the case of CT1). The CT2
996 signature is replicated even more satisfactorily by 2% contamination of average
997 (Proterozoic) upper crust (Fig. 10b). The CT3 signature, on the other hand, is
998 possible to explain by negligible (1%) contamination with SCLM and/or lower
999 crust (Fig. 10c). In fact, the most depleted CT3 samples show incompatible
1000 element compositions that approach those of the hypothetical low-Nb parental
1001 magma.

1002 In summary, my contamination modeling indicates that the major
 1003 geochemical characteristics of the CT lavas could be explained by lithospheric
 1004 contamination of low-Nb type parental magmas. Importantly, the application of
 1005 EC-AFC modeling overcomes the previous shortcomings related to AFC
 1006 modeling of crustal contamination that suggest superfluous (e.g., >20 % in the
 1007 case of CT1) degrees of contamination to produce CT geochemical signatures (cf.
 1008 Luttinen & Furnes 2000). Therefore, given that the low-Nb dikes are likely to
 1009 represent the uncontaminated correlatives of many Vestfjella CFBs and,
 1010 accordingly, similar CFBs of Sabie River Basalt Formation in the African part of
 1011 Karoo (Duncan *et al.* 1984; Hawkesworth *et al.* 1984; Sweeney *et al.* 1994; cf.
 1012 Luttinen & Furnes 2000), depleted ferropicrites seem to have sampled a
 1013 sublithospheric upper mantle end-member source of Karoo magmatism (cf. Paper
 1014 III). It is possible that this sublithospheric mantle source was variably LILE-
 1015 enriched (cf. Luttinen and Furnes, 2000) and had much less important role in the
 1016 petrogenesis of most of the strongly lithosphere-signatured Karoo lavas of
 1017 southern Africa (cf. Jourdan *et al.* 2007a). It is important to note that if the low-
 1018 Nb dikes had not been discovered, finding the apparent petrogenetic relationships
 1019 between the depleted ferropicrites and CT lavas would have been difficult to
 1020 impossible (cf. Paper III).

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Figure 10. Representative results of lithospheric contamination modeling of a low-Nb type parental melt illustrated in primitive mantle (Sun & McDonough 1989)-normalized incompatible element patterns along with representative CT1 (n=29) (a), CT2 (n=14) (b), and CT3 (n=20) (c) lava compositions. See Table 2 for model parameters.

Table 2. Input parameters for the EC-AFC and AFC models.

Variable	PM [†]	AC*	UC**	LC***	SCLM [#]
Model	EC-AFC + AFC	EC-AFC	EC-AFC	EC-AFC	AFC (r=0.5)
Magma liquidus T (initial T) [°C]	1600	-	-	-	-
Assimilant liquidus T [°C]	-	1000	1000	1100	-
Assimilant initial T [°C]	-	300	300	600	-
Solidus T [°C]	-	900	900	950	-
Equilibration T [°C]	-	1100	1100	1100	-
Isobaric specific heat [J/kg K]	1668	1370	1370	1388	-
Crystallization enthalpy [J/Kg]	600000	-	-	-	-
Fusion enthalpy [J/Kg]	-	270000	270000	350000	-
	$K_D^{\textcircled{a}}$				
Th [ppm]	0.16 (0.001)	3.6	10.5	1.2	26.1
Nb [ppm]	2.19 (0.02)	5	12	5	170
Ta [ppm]	0.12 (0.01)	0.4	0.9	0.6	14.6
Ce [ppm]	8.55 (0.001)	64	63	20	502
P [ppm]	458 (0.05)	698	655	436	15099
Nd [ppm]	7.37 (0.003)	22	27	11	229
Zr [ppm]	60 (0.05)	132	193	68	1076
Hf [ppm]	1.72 (0.05)	3.4	5.3	1.9	26.6
Sm [ppm]	2.7 (0.003)	3.52	4.7	2.8	36.4
Eu [ppm]	1.00 (0.01)	1.01	1.0	1.1	10
Ti [ppm]	7428 (0.08)	1739	3837	4916	23860
Gd [ppm]	3.04 (0.02)	3.8	4.0	3.1	23
Tb [ppm]	0.55 (0.02)	0.4	0.7	0.48	2.91
Y [ppm]	15.40 (0.06)	10	21	16	37
Yb [ppm]	1.21 (0.06)	0.5	1.96	1.5	1.48
Lu [ppm]	0.18 (0.06)	0.1	0.31	0.25	0.23
$^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}^{\textcircled{§}}$	0.512829	0.510551	0.511800	0.511806	0.512275
$\epsilon_{\text{Nd}}^{\textcircled{§}}$	+8.3	-36.2	-11.8	-11.7	-2.5

1045 All thermal parameters after Paper III. [†] Parental melt: trace element composition after fractionation-corrected Low-Nb
1046 sample P27-AVL (Section 3.2.1; cf. Luttinen & Furnes 2000); Nd isotopic composition after the model in Paper III. *
1047 Archean crust: trace element and Nd isotopic composition after TTG sample 96/203 (Kreissig *et al.* 2000; Ta and Hf
1048 estimated after Kleinhanns *et al.* 2003). ** Upper (Proterozoic) crust: trace element composition after the average upper
1049 crust of Rudnick & Gao (2003); Nd isotopic composition after the model of Jourdan *et al.* (2007a). *** Lower
1050 (Proterozoic) crust: trace element composition after the average lower crust of Rudnick & Gao (2003); Nd isotopic
1051 composition after granulite 21BD6 (Talarico *et al.* 1995). [#] Subcontinental lithospheric mantle: trace element and Nd
1052 isotopic composition after lamproite AL/KB8-98 (Luttinen *et al.* 2002). AFC process has been modeled to take place
1053 after the same level of fractionation of PM than in the case of lower crust. [ⓐ] K_D values for the parental melt estimated
1054 from GERM database (<http://earthref.org/>); All K_D values for the crustal contaminants are 0.1. [§] Calculated at 180 Ma
1055 except for SCLM-derived lamproite at 159 Ma.

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1057 3.2.2. The origin of the Karoo flood basalts

1058 The ferropicrites of Vestfjella, namely the depleted type, provide an important
1059 addition into the debate on the origins of the Karoo flood basalts. The association
1060 of the depleted type with the main phase of Karoo magmatism at ~180 Ma, and its
1061 petrogenetic relationship with Karoo lavas (Paper III; cf. previous Section)
1062 indicate that it sampled an important sublithospheric end-member for Karoo
1063 magmatism. These findings are in strong discordance with studies that suggest
1064 that the parental melts of the Karoo CFBs formed solely in the lithospheric mantle
1065 (e.g., Hawkesworth *et al.* 1984; Elburg & Goldberg 2000; Scenario 1 of Jourdan
1066 *et al.* 2007a).

1067 The derivation of the depleted type from anomalously hot mantle sources (>
1068 1600 °C; Paper II) indicate that sub-Gondwanan mantle was heated to

1069 temperatures of at least ~200 °C above that of ambient mantle. The fact that the
1070 depleted type represents melts largely derived from ambient MORB-source
1071 mantle is more compatible with the internal mantle heating model (Coltice *et al.*
1072 2007, 2009) than the plume model (Morgan 1971; Richards *et al.* 1989), however
1073 (Paper III). Although there is a possibility that some other processes suggested for
1074 CFB generation (cf. Section 1.1; Bryan & Ernst 2008) were also active, I propose
1075 that the internal heating effect significantly enhanced the melt production in the
1076 sub-Gondwanan mantle and was largely responsible for the generation of vast
1077 amounts of basaltic magma represented by Karoo (and Ferrar) CFBs at ~180 Ma
1078 (cf. Paper III).
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1080 **3.3. Implications on the origin of ferropicrites**

1081 **3.3.1. Ferropicrite whole-rocks vs. ferropicrite melts**

1082 Paper I highlights some important issues that should be considered when
1083 interpreting the petrogenesis of ferropicrites: ferropicritic whole-rock
1084 compositions do not necessarily represent crystallized equivalents of ferropicrite
1085 melts (i.e. primary ferropicrites), but may also record accumulation of relatively
1086 Fe-rich olivine (< Fo₈₀) in basaltic melts or by hydrothermal alteration of alkaline
1087 volcanic rocks (i.e. secondary ferropicrites). Careful examinations on petrography,
1088 geochemistry, and mineral chemistry of ferropicrites are required in order to
1089 evaluate whether their compositions are of primary or secondary origin.
1090 Obviously, the trace element or isotope compositions of secondary ferropicrites
1091 should not be utilized in order to study the petrogenesis of ferropicrite melts.
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1093 Normative mineral calculations (CIPW) performed on highly magnesian
1094 ferropicrite whole-rock compositions (e.g., FeO_{tot} ≈ 14 wt. %; MgO ≈ 18 wt. %)
1095 result in normative olivine contents less than 40 vol. %. Broadly, this could mean
1096 that if the modal olivine content in a ferropicrite sample is higher, the rock may
1097 contain accumulated olivine. More elaborate means to address the cumulate issue
1098 is to perform detailed chemical analyses on olivine phenocrysts and evaluate
1099 whether they are in or out of equilibrium with the host whole-rock composition
1100 (Paper I). Unfortunately, this evaluation is impossible for highly altered or
1101 metamorphosed ferropicrites that do not contain primary igneous olivine: in the
1102 case of Precambrian ferropicrites, the samples that have been collected close to
1103 presumed chilled margins of the lava flows or from pyroclastic successions have
1104 been thought to be void of accumulation effects and closely represent primitive
1105 Fe-rich liquid compositions (e.g., Hanski & Smolkin 1995; Stone *et al.* 1995;
1106 Goldstein & Francis 2008; cf. Table 1). Surprisingly limited olivine chemical data
1107 exist for ferropicrites that contain fresh olivine (Table 1; cf. Paper I): specific
1108 analyses have only been provided for the ferropicrites of Vestfjella (Paper I–III;
1109 Appendix I), Paraná-Etendeka (Gibson *et al.* 2000), and Emeishan (Zhang *et al.*
1110 2006). The Vestfjella ferropicrites, the most Fe-rich Emeishan ferropicrite, and
1111 two Paraná-Etendeka samples have likely crystallized from primitive Fe-rich
1112 melts as they are characterized by relatively Mg-rich olivines (≥ Fo₈₁; Table 1;
1113 Paper I–III). Three of the Paraná-Etendeka samples, however, show evidence of
1114 olivine accumulation (Table 1; Paper I) and likely do not derive from ferropicritic
1115 melts. Importantly, these samples can also be distinguished from the primary
1116 Paraná-Etendeka ferropicrites on the basis of trace element characteristics (Table
1117 1) and thus they possibly represent separately evolved magma type (or types).
1118 Accordingly, these cumulate Paraná-Etendeka samples have been excluded from

1119 the following discussion on ferropicrite petrogenesis. Less detailed olivine data
1120 (e.g., not sample-specific) have been provided for Ahlmannryggen (Riley *et al.*
1121 2005) and Siberia (Ryabov *et al.* 1977; Zolotukhin & Al'mukhamedov, 1991;
1122 Zolotukhin *et al.* 1991). Without further olivine analyses, the primitive nature of
1123 these and all the other ferropicrite suites that lack olivine chemical data and do not
1124 sample chilled margins remains uncertain (Table 1; cf. Paper I).

1125 Many ferropicrites show petrographical and geochemical (e.g., LOI > 3 wt.
1126 %; Table 1) evidence of post-crystallization hydrothermal alteration. In addition,
1127 Archean ferropicrites have unanimously been subjected to greenschist-to-
1128 amphibolite facies metamorphism (Table 1). During alteration or metamorphism,
1129 volcanic rocks are prone to gain or lose fluid mobile elements (such as Si, Na, and
1130 K) which may complicate the identification of primary subalkaline and alkaline
1131 magma types (cf. Paper I). Pearce (1996) tried to tangle this problem by
1132 introducing a trace element classification diagram that utilizes immobile trace
1133 element ratios Zr/Ti and Nb/Y, where Nb/Y is considered to be an indicator of
1134 alkalinity (cf. Fig. 10 in Paper I). Volcanic rocks that show Nb/Y ratios of higher
1135 than about 1 are likely to be of alkaline origin. For example, some of the lavas
1136 from Prinsen af Wales Bjerge formation, East Greenland (Peate *et al.* 2003)
1137 exhibit ferropicritic whole rock compositions (e.g., MgO = 13.2–19.9 wt. %;
1138 FeO_{tot} = 13.5–16.1 wt. %; Na₂O + K₂O = 2.5–3.1), but are slightly altered (e.g.,
1139 LOI = 1–3 wt. %) and show high Nb/Y ratios (1.7–3.1) and thus likely derive
1140 from alkaline parental magmas (Peate *et al.* 2003). Ferropicritic whole-rock
1141 compositions have also been described from oceanic settings (e.g., Hawaii;
1142 Reiners & Nelson 1998) where they are also characterized by high degrees of
1143 hydrothermal alteration and are thus unlikely related to ferropicrite parental melts
1144 (cf. Paper I). I emphasize, however, that rock classification schemes are designed
1145 by people and commonly not followed by nature: for example, the distinction
1146 between ferropicrites and highly alkaline Mg-rich volcanic rocks may simply
1147 relate to differences in mantle melting conditions (e.g., degree of melting; cf.
1148 Section 3.3.2) and, theoretically, a whole spectrum of subalkaline to alkaline Fe-
1149 and Mg-rich melt compositions may be generated from the same mantle source
1150 under favorable conditions (cf. Gudfinnsson & Presnall 2005). Although most of
1151 the CFB-related alkaline volcanic rocks have been thought to derive from the
1152 lithospheric mantle (e.g., Harmer *et al.* 1998; Gibson *et al.* 2006; Song *et al.* 2008;
1153 Srivastava *et al.* 2009), the Prinsen af Wales Bjerge lavas have been interpreted to
1154 sample sublithospheric mantle heterogeneities (Peate *et al.* 2003) and should thus
1155 be considered as important in studying deep origins of CFBs as ferropicrites.
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1157 **3.3.2. Pyroxenite vs. peridotite source**

1158 It is evident that ferropicrite liquids cannot originate by direct partial melting of
1159 ambient, depleted mantle peridotite (Hanski 1992; Stone *et al.* 1995; Gibson *et al.*
1160 2000; Gibson 2002; Goldstein & Francis 2008; Paper I). In Vestfjella, however,
1161 the depleted ferropicrites are likely to represent differentiates from even more
1162 primitive (meimechitic) parental magmas that derive by relatively low-degree,
1163 high-pressure melting of a mantle source dominated by depleted upper mantle
1164 peridotite (Paper II, III). The question of whether ferropicrites represent near-
1165 primary or already significantly differentiated melts should thus be carefully
1166 addressed in every case (cf. Fig. 11). It should also be noted that mixing of
1167 peridotite-derived picritic melts with evolved Fe-rich basalts or immiscible liquids
1168 could theoretically result in ferropicritic whole-rock compositions (Jakobsen *et al.*

1169 2005). Such mixing processes would be expected to result in significant igneous
1170 disequilibrium textures and textural and geochemical heterogeneities within
1171 individual magma bodies, however, and these are not characteristic of
1172 ferropicrites. In addition, this model provides no explanation for the fact that
1173 ferropicrites are only found in CFB provinces and not, for example, in mid-ocean
1174 ridges. These observations strongly suggest that liquid immiscibility (and
1175 subsequent mixing) is very unlikely cause for the generation of most ferropicrite
1176 melts (cf. Goldstein & Francis, 2008). The most likely mantle sources for
1177 unfractionated ferropicrite melts are enriched peridotite and pyroxenite – the only
1178 mantle lithologies that exhibit Mg and Fe contents high enough to produce these
1179 exceptional liquid compositions (cf. Paper I).

1180 Whether pyroxenite represents a major melt-producing lithology in the
1181 sources of several oceanic islands and CFB provinces has been debated (e.g.,
1182 Putirka 1999; Stolper *et al.* 2004; Sobolev *et al.* 2005, 2007; Herzberg 2006;
1183 Elkins *et al.* 2008). The situation is similar in the field of ferropicrite research:
1184 Tuff *et al.* (2005) concluded on the basis of melting experiments that Parana-
1185 Etendeka ferropicrites are most likely to represent partial melts of garnet
1186 pyroxenite at high pressures (≥ 5 GPa), whereas Goldstein & Francis (2008)
1187 maintained that peridotite-basalt mixtures and most garnet pyroxenite xenoliths
1188 have insufficient Fe, Mg, or both to produce melts that correspond to the
1189 exceptionally Fe-rich Archean ferropicrites (cf. Fig. 5; Table 1). The geochemical
1190 similarities of the Vestfjella ferropicrites with pyroxenite partial melts and
1191 purported pyroxenite-sourced Hawaiian picrites initially led to the suggestion that
1192 the former also represent partial melts of recycled pyroxenites (Paper I).
1193 Nevertheless, the question arises if there are any means to distinguish between Fe-
1194 enriched peridotite and pyroxenite as ultimate sources for ferropicrite melts.

1195 Melting experiments on pyroxenites are relatively few. Moreover,
1196 experiments on enriched peridotites are lacking, the closest correlatives being
1197 experiments performed on fertile (pyrolitic) peridotite starting material (e.g.,
1198 Walter 1998). The published major element data on pyroxenite and fertile
1199 peridotite partial melts at pressure range of 2.5–6 GPa are compared with the
1200 Phanerozoic, Proterozoic, and Archean ferropicrites in Fig. 11. Firstly, it is
1201 important to note that only one of the experimental partial melts exceed 14 wt. %
1202 of FeO_{tot} (14.03 wt. %; pyroxenite partial melt at 2.5 GPa, $F = 18$ %; Fig. 11a)
1203 which may reflect the absence of both anomalous (e.g., Fe-rich) starting materials
1204 and data on low-degree melt compositions ($F < 0.1$) in the melting experiments, or
1205 that the experimental melts represent isobaric batch melts and not polybaric
1206 aggregate melts that are likely to have higher Fe content (cf. Gibson 2002).
1207 Although relatively high FeO_{tot} and TiO_2 of ferropicrites are more compatible
1208 with pyroxenitic rather than peridotitic sources on the basis of available
1209 experimental data (cf. Paper I), the high MgO of some Archean ferropicrites have
1210 not been attained in pyroxenite melting experiments (Fig. 11a and c; Goldstein &
1211 Francis 2008). It is also evident from Fig. 11 that the effects of pressure, degree of
1212 melting, and source compositions on the partial melt compositions are difficult to
1213 distinguish from each other (cf. Hirschmann *et al.* 1999). For example, the
1214 relatively higher Al_2O_3 of the Phanerozoic ferropicrites relative to the Archean
1215 ferropicrites may indicate that the Phanerozoic samples derive by (1) higher
1216 degree of pyroxenite melting, (2) lower pressure of pyroxenite melting, (3) lower
1217 degree of peridotite melting, (4) lower pressure of peridotite melting, or (5) from
1218 more pyroxene-rich sources relative to the Archean samples (Fig. 11b). Although

1219 the first alternative is not very likely on the basis that mantle melting was more
1220 extensive in the early Earth in general, the rest of the alternatives seem equally
1221 viable. The considerably higher Na₂O of the Phanerozoic ferropicrites at a given
1222 TiO₂, however, is difficult to explain solely by melting conditions and may
1223 suggest that Phanerozoic ferropicrites contained more pyroxene-rich mantle
1224 sources in general (Fig. 11c). Nevertheless, it should also be kept in mind that
1225 Na₂O contents of some Precambrian ferropicrites have likely been modified
1226 during metamorphism (cf. Section 3.3.1).

1227 In Paper I, the high V/Lu ratio of many ferropicrites was thought to indicate
1228 a major role for recycled Fe-Ti gabbro component in their mantle sources. Many
1229 incompatible trace element ratios, including V/Lu, are prone to vary according to
1230 melting conditions (e.g., P and T), however, and the distinction between these
1231 effects and the lithology of the source is thus difficult to make (cf. Paper III). On
1232 the other hand, Le Roux *et al.* (2010) recently argued that elevated Zn/Fe ratio of
1233 several OIBs is hard to explain by melting of peridotitic mantle at varying
1234 temperature or pressure, but rather indicates pyroxene- and garnet-rich sources for
1235 the parental magmas. The purported peridotite-origin of the Vestfjella depleted
1236 ferropicrites is compatible with this claim: they show Zn/Fe ratios similar to
1237 peridotites and MORBs (Fig. 12). East Greenland and Steep Rock ferropicrites
1238 also show peridotitic Zn/Fe ratios, whereas the Vestfjella enriched type and the
1239 Ahlmannryggen ferropicrites exhibit consistently high Zn/Fe ratios suggestive of
1240 more pyroxene-rich sources for these magma types. Other ferropicrites show less
1241 coherent and/or less definitive Zn/Fe ratios: this may reflect heterogeneous
1242 sources and/or, especially in the case of Precambrian ferropicrites, secondary
1243 alteration and metamorphism.

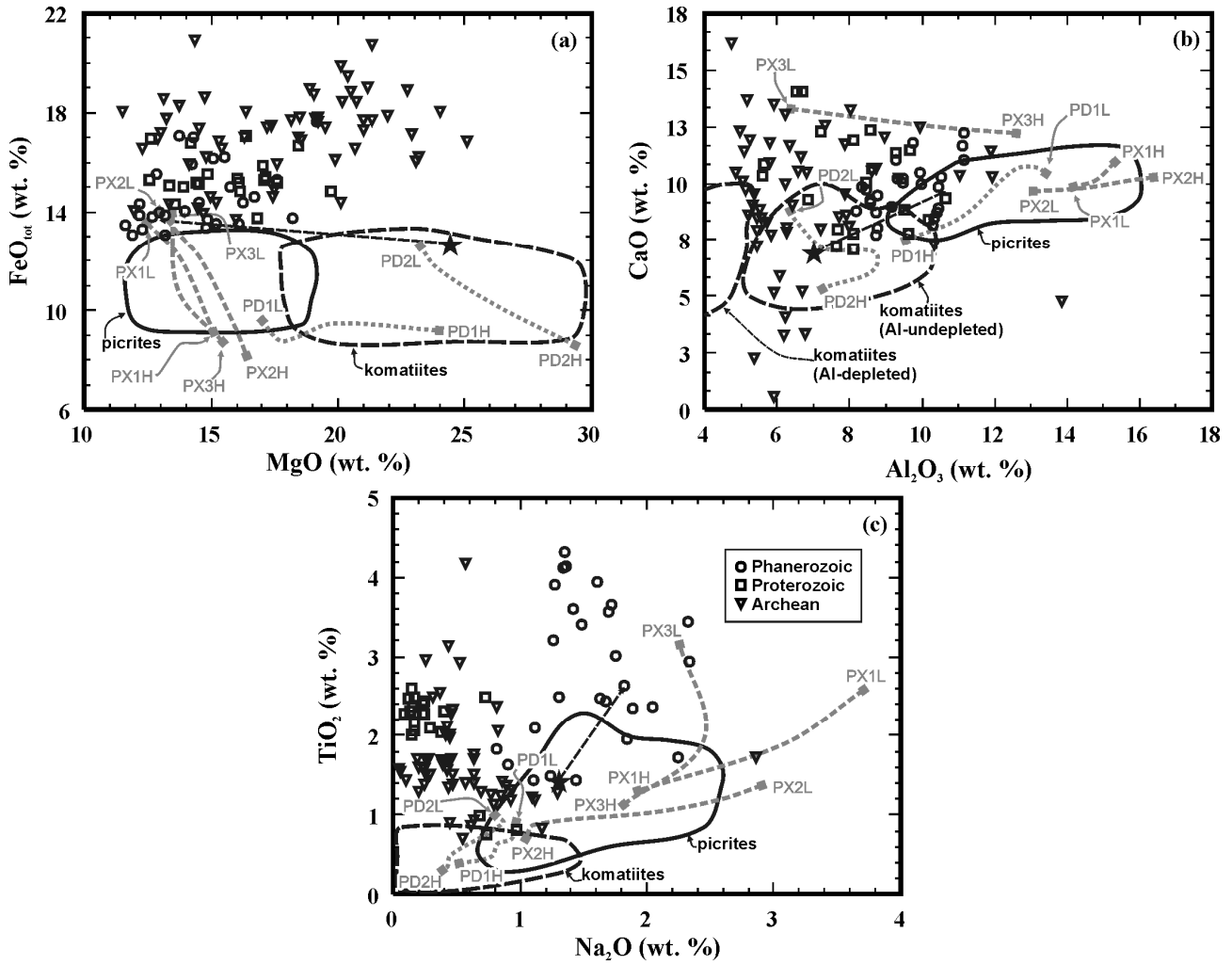
1244 Compositions of olivine phenocrysts have also been used to estimate the
1245 nature of the mantle sources of intraplate basalts. Sobolev *et al.* (2007, 2008)
1246 suggested that the proportion of pyroxenitic source component could be
1247 quantitatively assessed on the basis of Ni, Mn, Fe, and Mg contents of primitive
1248 olivine phenocrysts: relatively high Ni and low Mn/Fe were thought to be
1249 unaffected by melting conditions and indicate predominantly pyroxenitic mantle
1250 sources for several intraplate suites (e.g., Hawaii, Karoo, Siberian Traps; Sobolev
1251 *et al.* 2007). The lack of olivine chemical data on Precambrian ferropicrites
1252 restricts the assessment of these methods in their case and the olivine analyzes on
1253 Phanerozoic ferropicrites (Karoo, Paraná-Etendeka, and Emeishan) do not meet
1254 the high analytical standards [e.g., high probe currents (~300 nA) and long
1255 counting times (> 100 s)] required by the formulas of Sobolev *et al.* (2007, 2008).
1256 It should also be noted that recent studies indicate negative depth effect on K_d^{ol-}
1257 $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ thus undermining the basis of the equations of Sobolev *et al.* (2007) (Li &
1258 Ripley 2010). Nevertheless, the evaluation of ferropicrite sources on the basis of
1259 very high-precision olivine chemical data may be considered a potential subject
1260 for future studies.

1261 Sobolev *et al.* (2008) also found out a quantitative link between purported
1262 pyroxenite sources (on the basis of olivine chemistry) and Os isotopic
1263 composition in Icelandic lavas: samples that indicated more pyroxene-rich sources
1264 also showed more radiogenic $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$. Radiogenic Os in volcanic rocks has
1265 been considered as evidence of pyroxene-rich sources also in several other studies
1266 (e.g., Hauri & Hart 1993; Reisberg *et al.* 1993; Hauri *et al.* 1996; Carlson &
1267 Nowell 2001; Carlson *et al.* 2006; Day *et al.* 2009), mainly because mantle
1268 peridotites are characterized by relatively unradiogenic $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ in general

1269 (initial $\gamma_{Os}^* \leq 0$; Shirey & Walker 1998; Chesley *et al.* 2004). Os isotopic data are
1270 available for the ferropicrites of Vestfjella and Pechenga only. The Vestfjella
1271 depleted ferropicrites have inherited their relatively unradiogenic Os (initial γ_{Os}
1272 from -0.5 to -2.1 at 180 Ma) from their highly magnesian parental magmas
1273 derived from depleted peridotite sources (Paper III). The Vestfjella enriched
1274 ferropicrites (initial γ_{Os} from +9.2 to +11.1 at 180 Ma) and Pechenga ferropicrites
1275 (initial γ_{Os} from +4.1 to +5.5 at 1980 Ma), however, show relatively radiogenic Os
1276 composition that has been linked to entrainment of lithospheric materials (Paper
1277 III; Walker *et al.* 1997) and thus imply pyroxene-rich sources for them (cf.
1278 Sobolev *et al.* 2005, 2007, 2008).

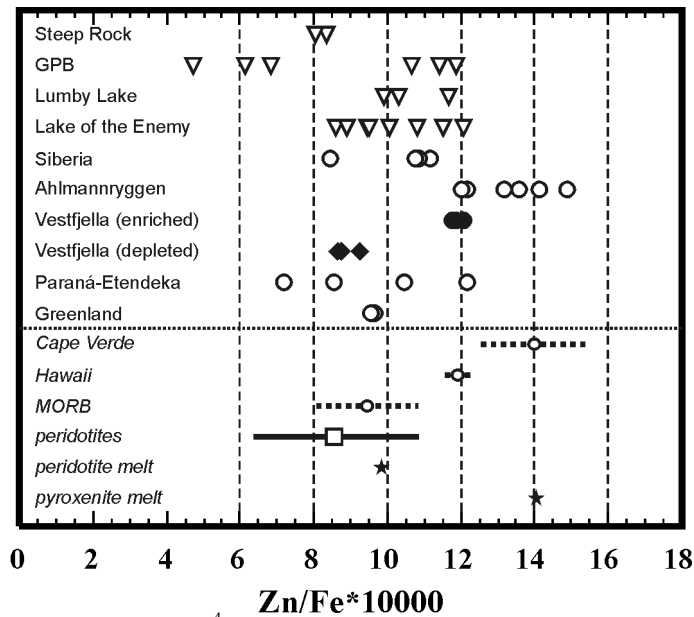
1279 In summary, the issue of pyroxenite vs. peridotite sources is hard to assess in
1280 the case of many ferropicrites due to difficulties in interpreting major element data
1281 and inadequate mineral chemical and Os isotopic data. In addition, most
1282 incompatible trace element ratios are dependent on melting conditions and are
1283 generally difficult to utilize in order to distinguish mantle source lithologies.
1284 Nevertheless, the importance of recycled-origin pyroxenites as potential mantle
1285 source components has probably increased through time and this progress may
1286 reflect also on ferropicrites (cf. Fig. 11 and 12). Moreover, the fact that at least the
1287 Phanerozoic ferropicrites represent melts generated at very high pressures beneath
1288 continental lithosphere indicate that they derive by melting of the most fusible
1289 (e.g., pyroxene-rich) mantle materials (cf. Gibson 2002; Sobolev *et al.* 2005; Tuff
1290 *et al.* 2005). On the other hand, the most important findings of my work is that
1291 ferropicritic magmas may also evolve by fractionation from even more magnesian
1292 (meimechitic/komatiitic) parental melts. In such case, peridotite is the primary
1293 source contributor (Paper II).

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Figure 11. Geochemical characteristics of ferropicrites compared with peridotite and pyroxenite experimental partial melts and continental picrites and komatiites in FeO_{tot} vs. MgO (a), CaO vs. Al_2O_3 (b), and TiO_2 vs. Na_2O (c) diagrams. Star indicates Vestfjella meimechite sample AL/B9-03 that closely corresponds to a parental melt composition of the Vestfjella depleted type (Paper II); stippled line corresponds to $\sim 30\%$ fractionation of olivine. Gray stippled lines approximate the compositional progression of partial melt composition between low- and high-degree melt end-members: PD1L–PD1H = peridotite at 3 GPa and 14–53% of melting (Walter 1998); PD2L–PD2H = peridotite at 6 GPa and 11–65% of melting (Walter 1998); PX1L–PX1H = pyroxenite at 2.5 GPa and 21–67% of melting (Hirschmann *et al.* 2003); PX2L–PX2H = pyroxenite at 2.5 GPa and 18–99% of melting (Keshav *et al.* 2004); PX3L–PX3H = pyroxenite at 5 GPa and 19–75% of melting (Kogiso *et al.* 2003). Legend is given in c.



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Figure 12. Ferropicrites shown in Zn/Fe ($\times 10^4$) diagram. Selected oceanic suites (Cape Verde, Hawaii, and MORB), peridotites, and representative experimental peridotite and pyroxenite partial melts shown for comparison. Cape Verde has the highest Zn/Fe ratios of oceanic rocks reported in Le Roux *et al.* (2010). In the case of oceanic suites, the circle represents the value calculated for the entire suite at MgO = 12 wt. % with standard error bars (stippled lines) shown (cf. Le Roux *et al.* 2010). In the case of peridotites, the square represents the average value and the line represents the range of compositions. Data sources for ferropicrites are reported in Table 1, for other data sources see Le Roux *et al.* (2010). Zn/Fe ratios are not prone to vary by fractional crystallization in basaltic/picritic magmas that have MgO > 8.5 wt. % (Le Roux *et al.* 2010). GPB = Grassy Portage Bay.

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3.3.3. Hydrous or anhydrous magmas?

The significance of water in the petrogenesis of ferropicrites is poorly understood. Despite the presence of primary igneous amphibole in some Precambrian ferropicrites (e.g., Hanski 1992; Stone *et al.* 1997), Gibson (2002) concluded that ferropicrites derive from anhydrous mantle sources. The Vestfjella samples are the first Phanerozoic ferropicrites that have been found out to contain igneous amphibole (Paper I–III). The presence of these amphiboles (as well as the Precambrian ones) as inclusions in olivine that likely crystallized at significant depths (cf. Paper II) is difficult to explain by reaction with meteoric waters (cf. Stone *et al.*, 1995). The amphibole-bearing inclusions likely represent melt droplets that got trapped within olivine phenocrysts during the early stages of magma evolution. In addition, the overall uncontaminated nature of the ferropicrites does not suggest contamination with water-rich lithosphere either. These constraints strongly suggest primary mantle-derived high H₂O content for the parental melts (Paper II; Stone *et al.* 1997). In the Vestfjella depleted type, amphibole is confined to olivine-hosted inclusions and is not found in the groundmass at all. Moreover, the absence of any other H₂O-rich groundmass phases indicates that the original high water contents were lost (e.g., by degassing) prior to groundmass crystallization (Paper II). This possibility should also be considered in the case of other Phanerozoic ferropicrites and future studies should concentrate on evaluating the role of volatiles by, e.g., focusing on mapping and analyzing possible olivine-hosted melt inclusions. In standard petrographical inspection using optical microscopes, the presence of small amphibole crystals in olivine-hosted inclusions can easily go unnoticed.

Whether water was involved in the petrogenesis of ferropicrites, the characteristic high Fe contents of ferropicrites are not likely the result of wet

1372 mantle melting (e.g., Hanski 1992; Paper II; cf. Gibson 2002), because
1373 experimental water-bearing and dry systems tend to produce melts with
1374 comparable Fe contents at similar degrees of melting (cf. Hirose & Kawamoto
1375 1995). I consider that the most important consequences of elevated water contents
1376 in the source are to promote partial melting and decrease both the density and
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1378 lithosphere without significant interaction with country rocks (Paper II, III; cf.
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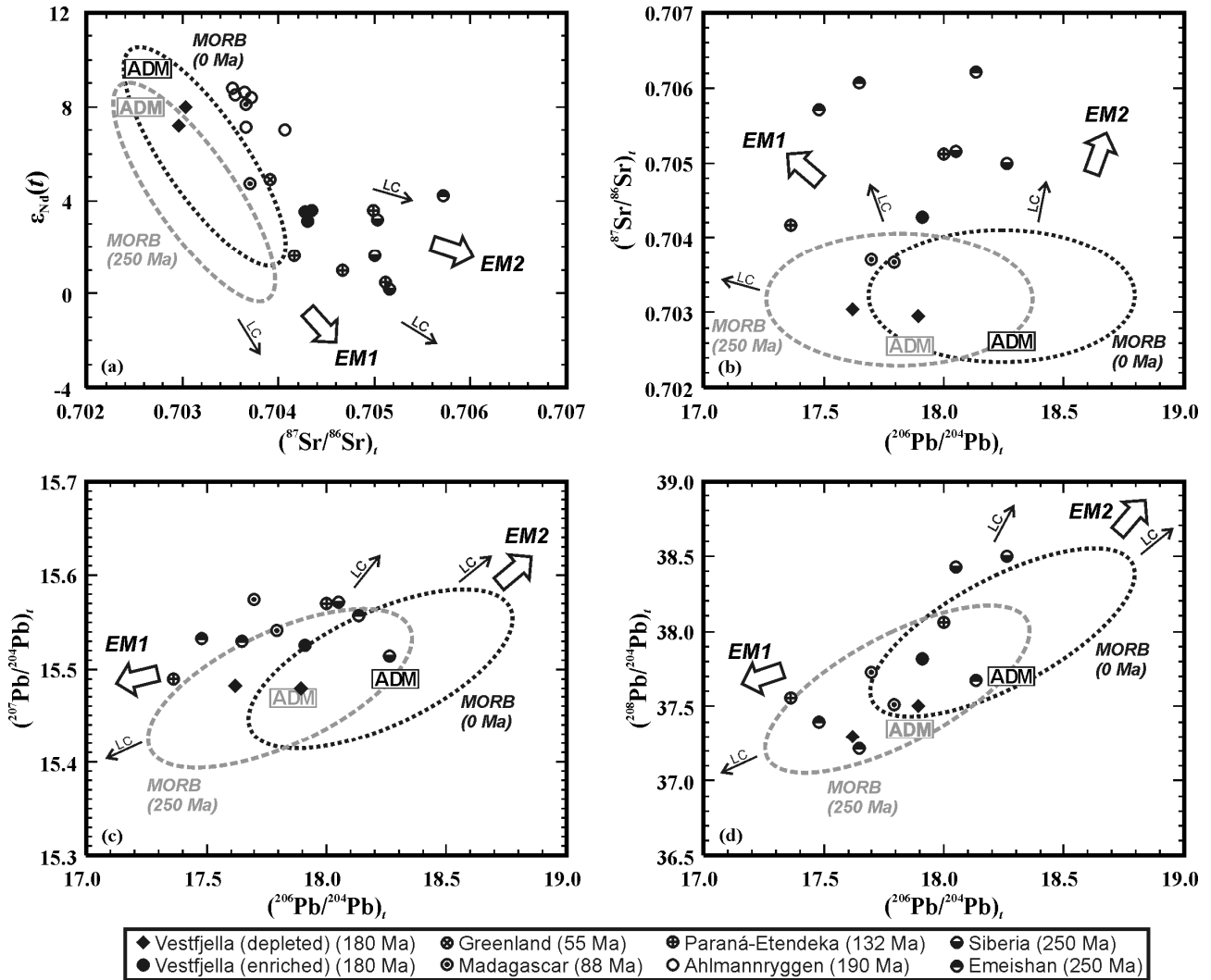
1380 1381 **3.3.4. Mantle thermometry and relation to mantle plumes**

1382 Despite the debate on the water contents of the ferropicrite primary melts and their
1383 mantle sources, ferropicrites have generally been associated with anomalously hot
1384 mantle (e.g., Hanski & Smolkin 1995; Stone *et al.* 1995; Gibson *et al.* 2000;
1385 Gibson 2002; Riley *et al.* 2005; Goldstein & Francis 2008). Findings on the
1386 Vestfjella ferropicrites provide support for this view (Paper I, II).

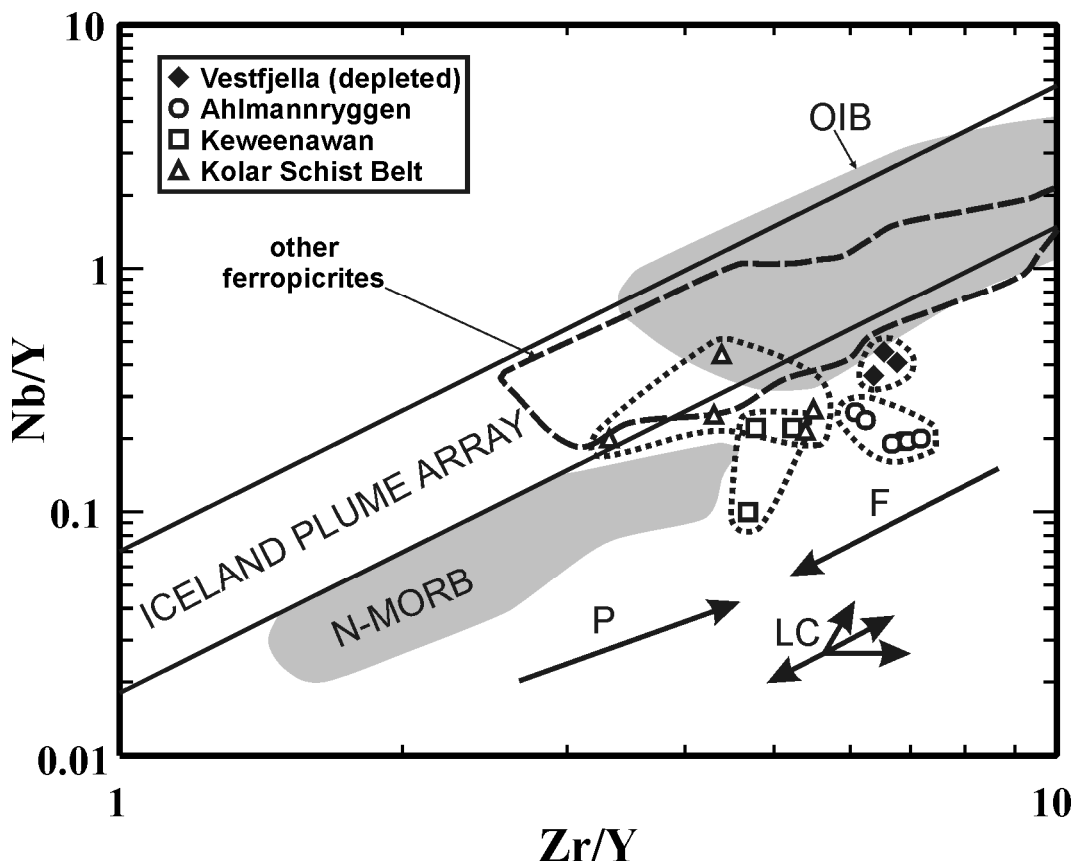
1387 The purported high temperatures are not necessarily indicative of plumes
1388 reaching the upper mantle, however; ferropicrites are commonly related to
1389 supercontinent break-up processes and thus may record high temperatures induced
1390 by internal mantle heating (cf. Coltice *et al.* 2007, 2009). The Vestfjella depleted
1391 type, for example, exhibits Indian Ridge MORB-like isotopic (Sr, Nd, Pb, and Os)
1392 compositions and low Nb/Y at a given Zr/Y that provide strong evidence of an
1393 ambient upper mantle (i.e. non-plume) source (Paper III).

1394 Isotopic and trace element data of ferropicrites and volcanic rocks derived
1395 from distinct mantle reservoirs are presented in Fig. 13 and 14. In order to
1396 minimize time-integrated correction (and uncertainties it induces) and maximize
1397 readability, only Phanerozoic ferropicrites are shown in the isotope diagrams (Fig.
1398 13). It is evident from Fig. 13 that, except for the Vestfjella depleted type, none of
1399 the Phanerozoic ferropicrites exhibit depleted-mantle- or MORB-like isotopic
1400 signatures. In particular, Phanerozoic ferropicrites are rather characterized by
1401 relatively elevated initial $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ ratios. Although this is compatible with
1402 relatively enriched mantle sources, it could also indicate minor lithospheric
1403 contamination (Fig. 13). The fact that the great majority of ferropicrites plot
1404 within the fields of OIBs and “Iceland Plume Array” in Nb/Y vs. Zr/Y diagram,
1405 however, is difficult to explain solely by minor lithospheric contamination of
1406 depleted mantle-derived magmas, and strongly suggest a major role for relatively
1407 Nb-enriched and anomalous mantle sources in their petrogenesis (Fig. 14; cf.
1408 Fitton *et al.* 1997; Paper III). Relating these anomalous signatures strictly to
1409 mantle plumes is quite an extrapolation, however, because enriched components
1410 are believed to form an intrinsic part of the upper mantle as well (Cooper *et al.*
1411 2009; cf. Paper III). In addition to the Vestfjella depleted type, ferropicrites that
1412 derive from Nb-poor sources are found in Ahlmannryggen, the Keweenawan Rift,
1413 and the Kolar Schist Belt. Similarly, as all OIB-like signatures do not necessarily
1414 derive from mantle plumes, all these low-Nb magmas do not necessarily derive
1415 from low-degree high-pressure partial melts of MORB-source upper mantle. For
1416 example, the very high HFSE contents (e.g., $\text{TiO}_2 \approx 4$ wt. %), high Zn/Fe (Fig.
1417 12), and the combination of relatively radiogenic initial $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ and very high
1418 initial ϵ_{Nd} of the Ahlmannryggen ferropicrites provide strong evidence for some
1419 anomalous depleted, possibly pyroxenitic, source component (cf. Section 3.3.2;
1420 Riley *et al.* 2005).

1421 In summary, given the deficiencies of the plume theory to explain the origin
 1422 of many CFB provinces (e.g., Foulger *et al.* 2005) and growing evidence on other
 1423 processes capable of creating significant sublithospheric temperature anomalies
 1424 (e.g. Coltice *et al.* 2007), association of ferropicrite sources and their high
 1425 potential temperatures with deep-seated mantle plumes is not straightforward. The
 1426 generally anomalous isotopic signatures and high Nb/Y indicate that the great
 1427 majority of ferropicrites sampled anomalous and/or enriched mantle sources,
 1428 however. The evaluation of whether all these sources are related to mantle plumes
 1429 is beyond the scope of this thesis and must be considered separately in every case
 1430 (cf. Paper III).
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 1434 **Figure 13.** Phanerozoic ferropicrites shown in initial ϵ_{Nd} vs. $^{87}Sr/^{86}Sr$ (a), $^{87}Sr/^{86}Sr$ vs. $^{206}Pb/^{204}Pb$ (b), $^{207}Pb/^{204}Pb$ vs.
 1435 $^{206}Pb/^{204}Pb$ (c), and $^{208}Pb/^{204}Pb$ vs. $^{206}Pb/^{204}Pb$ (d) diagrams. Average depleted MORB mantle (ADM; Workman & Hart,
 1436 2005) and field of worldwide MORBs (estimated after Klein 2003) shown at 0 and 250 Ma. The compositions at 250
 1437 Ma were back-calculated by using ADM mantle reservoir composition recommended by Workman & Hart (2005).
 1438 Approximate compositions of EM1 and EM2 mantle reservoirs estimated after Eisele *et al.* (2002) and Workman *et al.*
 1439 (2004), respectively (cf. Paper III). LC arrows denote the effect of lithospheric contamination with variable contaminant
 1440 compositions (cf. Paper III).
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 1443 **Figure 14.** Ferropicrites shown in logarithmic Nb/Y vs. Zr/Y diagram (data sources listed in Table 1). The Iceland
 1444 Plume Array and fields for N-MORB and OIB after Fitton *et al.* (2003). P and F arrows denote the effect of increasing
 1445 pressure and degree of melting, respectively (cf. Fitton *et al.* 1997). LC arrows denote the effect of lithospheric
 1446 contamination with variable contaminant compositions (cf. Paper III).
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1448 3.3.5. The origin of the relative Fe enrichment

1449 On the basis of this thesis and earlier studies on ferropicrite petrogenesis (Hanski
 1450 & Smolkin, 1995; Gibson *et al.*, 2000; Gibson, 2002; Goldstein & Francis, 2008),
 1451 I present three fundamental ferropicrite factors that promote generation of these
 1452 exceptional subalkaline melt compositions:

1453 1. Relatively low degree of melting

1454 Low-degree melting of mantle lithologies results in relatively Fe-rich partial melts
 1455 (cf. Fig. 11a). At very low-degrees of melting (e.g., $F \leq 0.01$) the partial melts
 1456 tend to be alkaline in character, however.
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1458 2. Melting at relatively high pressures

1459 High-pressure melting of mantle lithologies results in relatively Fe-rich partial
 1460 melts (cf. Fig. 11a).
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1462 3. Enriched source components

1463 Enriched source components may be needed in order to result in $\text{FeO}_{\text{tot}}^{\text{liq}} > 14$ wt.
 1464 % (cf. Fig. 11a; Section 3.3.2.). Fertile source composition also promotes melting
 1465 at higher pressures.
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 1468 As a result of these factors, ferropicritic magmas can be generated in several
 1469 ways. The most well-established models include the following examples: (1)
 1470 fractional crystallization of olivine from highly magnesian parental magmas

1471 derived from predominantly ambient peridotitic sources at high pressures (the
1472 Vestfjella depleted type; Paper II), (2) high-pressure partial melting of relatively
1473 Fe-rich (metasomatized?) peridotite (e.g., some Precambrian ferropicrites; Hanski
1474 and Smolkin 1995; Stone *et al.* 1995), and (3) high-pressure partial melting of
1475 pyroxenite that possibly contains recycled components (e.g., the Vestfjella
1476 enriched type and Paraná-Etendeka; cf. Paper I, III; Tuff *et al.* 2005). Combining
1477 geochemical, mineral chemical, and isotopic data and tracking down the primary
1478 melt compositions is important in addressing the various possibilities. It should
1479 also be noted that thick continental lithosphere appears to be prerequisite for the
1480 preservation of ferropicrite parental melts until their eruption: thick lithospheric
1481 lid effectively prevents subsequent mixing with mantle melts generated at higher
1482 degree of melting, at lower pressures, and from less fertile mantle components (cf.
1483 Fig. 2; Gibson 2002).

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1485 **4. In conclusion**

1486 Ferropicrites (and related meimechites, picrites, picrobasalts, and basalts) of
1487 Vestfjella, western Dronning Maud Land, are found as dikes that crosscut the
1488 continental flood basalts of the Antarctic extension of the Jurassic Karoo LIP. The
1489 dikes show division into two distinct geochemical types, one showing relatively
1490 flat primitive-mantle-normalized incompatible element contents (depleted type)
1491 and the other showing more enrichment in the highly incompatible elements
1492 (enriched type). The depleted type is related to the main phase of Karoo
1493 magmatism at ~180 Ma and originated as highly magnesian (MgO up to 25 wt. %)
1494 partial melts from Indian Ocean MORB-source upper mantle at considerable
1495 temperatures ($T_p > 1600$ °C) and pressures (5–6 GPa) beneath the Gondwana
1496 supercontinent. The enriched type was derived from pyroxenitic components that
1497 were formed either by melt metasomatism or by recycling of oceanic crust in the
1498 subcontinental mantle. The source of the depleted type represents an important
1499 sublithospheric end-member for Karoo CFBs and its purported origin is
1500 compatible with the theory that the Karoo LIP was formed in an extensive melting
1501 episode caused mainly by internal heating of the upper mantle beneath the
1502 Gondwana supercontinent. The relative Fe-enrichment of primary ferropicrites
1503 seems to require one or more of the following: (1) relatively low degree of partial
1504 melting, (2) high pressure of partial melting, and (3) melting of enriched source
1505 components. Nevertheless, I address the importance in identifying the parental
1506 magma composition, because ferropicritic whole-rock compositions could also
1507 result from accumulation, secondary alteration, and fractional crystallization.

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Appendix I. Electron microprobe analyses of minerals of the Vestfjella ferropicrites and related rocks (data that was not published in Papers I–III).

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CR	Sample	Analysis	SiO ₂	TiO ₂	Al ₂ O ₃	FeO	MnO	MgO	CaO	Cr ₂ O ₃	NiO	Total	Notes	Fo
1	117-KHG-91	117KHG/r2/19	38.53	0.04	0.02	21.37	0.26	40.00	0.41	0.02	0.24	100.88	c	0.77
2	117-KHG-91	117KHG/r4/27	38.79	0.02	0.04	19.07	0.26	41.34	0.28	0.01	0.21	100.03	c	0.79
2	117-KHG-91	117KHG/r4/28	39.00	0.01	0.05	15.06	0.22	43.73	0.23	0.04	0.41	98.76	c	0.84
2	117-KHG-91	117KHG/r4/29	36.66	0.17	0.01	29.47	0.49	33.25	0.37	0.03	0.21	100.66	r	0.67
3	117-KHG-91	117KHG/r4/31	38.26	0.04	0.05	19.58	0.25	40.84	0.36	0.04	0.29	99.70	c	0.79
4	117-KHG-91	117KHG/r4/32	38.52	0.03	0.05	16.95	0.28	41.94	0.36	0.02	0.30	98.45	c	0.82
5	117-KHG-91	117KHG/r4/33	38.34	0.04	0.07	17.65	0.25	42.70	0.31	0.05	0.31	99.71	c	0.81
6	117-KHG-91	117KHG/36	38.40	0.03	0.04	17.34	0.26	41.83	0.26	0.04	0.30	98.50	c	0.81
7	117-KHG-91	117KHG/38	38.91	0.00	0.05	18.88	0.29	41.46	0.23	0.02	0.28	100.13	c	0.80
8	117-KHG-91	117KHG/37	38.03	0.02	0.06	16.33	0.27	42.43	0.27	0.03	0.35	97.79	c	0.82
9	117-KHG-91	117KHG/39	39.18	0.05	0.08	16.19	0.20	43.55	0.25	0.03	0.39	99.94	c	0.83
1	ALWM1e-98	WM1e/r1/1	39.64	0.02	0.02	18.51	0.27	41.45	0.32	0.02	0.32	100.59	c	0.80
2	ALWM1e-98	WM1e/r1/2	40.76	0.06	0.11	13.77	0.18	44.92	0.47	0.10	0.39	100.75	c	0.85
3	ALWM1e-98	WM1e/r2/6	40.01	0.04	0.12	14.87	0.20	43.14	0.45	0.04	0.33	99.19	c	0.84
4	ALWM1e-98	WM1e/r2/9	39.93	0.02	0.05	14.64	0.22	44.50	0.41	0.07	0.37	100.21	c	0.84
5	ALWM1e-98	WM1e/r2/12	40.45	0.03	0.04	14.61	0.20	44.61	0.47	0.09	0.35	100.86	c	0.84
6	ALWM1e-98	WM1e/r2/13	39.95	0.00	0.07	15.27	0.22	43.89	0.41	0.10	0.38	100.30	mi1	0.84
6	ALWM1e-98	WM1e/r2/18	40.10	0.04	0.02	14.60	0.20	44.22	0.47	0.08	0.38	100.12	spl17	0.84
6	ALWM1e-98	WM1e/r2/20	40.07	0.01	0.04	14.65	0.21	44.61	0.50	0.02	0.34	100.44	mi2	0.84
7	ALWM1e-98	WM1e/r4/27	39.76	0.04	0.02	17.69	0.20	42.44	0.29	0.04	0.36	100.84	c	0.81
7	ALWM1e-98	WM1e/r4/28	40.78	0.01	0.04	13.86	0.19	44.87	0.34	0.04	0.38	100.50	r	0.85
8	ALWM1e-98	WM1e/r4/29	39.72	0.07	0.05	17.53	0.26	41.95	0.45	0.06	0.29	100.38	c	0.81
9	ALWM1e-98	WM1e/r4/30	39.23	0.03	0.01	19.25	0.31	41.26	0.29	0.04	0.30	100.71	c	0.79
9	ALWM1e-98	WM1e/r4/31	40.02	0.00	0.06	16.20	0.23	43.28	0.37	0.05	0.34	100.55	r	0.83
9	ALWM1e-98	WM1e/ol	39.44	0.04	0.05	17.62	0.27	42.64	0.37	0.00	0.30	100.73	c	0.81
10	ALWM1e-98	WM1e/ol2	39.34	0.04	0.03	17.85	0.16	42.31	0.40	0.02	0.32	100.46	c	0.81
11	ALWM1e-98	WM1e/r2/O11/r	39.33	0.02	0.02	17.00	0.23	42.77	0.36	0.02	0.31	100.07	mi	0.82
12	ALWM1e-98	WM1e/r2/O12/k	40.30	0.07	0.08	13.39	0.09	46.76	0.26	0.11	0.23	101.30	mi	0.86
13	ALWM1e-98	WM1e/r2/O12/i	39.03	0.00	0.03	18.48	0.20	42.02	0.39	0.05	0.33	100.53	miD	0.80
14	ALWM1e-98	WM1e/r2/O13/c	38.70	0.00	0.03	19.69	0.25	40.99	0.36	0.01	0.31	100.33	c	0.79
14	ALWM1e-98	WM1e/r2/O13/r	39.92	0.10	0.01	14.15	0.16	46.15	0.42	0.06	0.33	101.30	r	0.85
1	ALWM3a-03	WM3/r1/1	40.06	0.03	0.06	18.29	0.29	41.90	0.36	0.06	0.31	101.36	c	0.80
1	ALWM3a-03	WM3/r1/2	39.63	0.00	0.04	18.82	0.28	42.09	0.34	0.04	0.32	101.57	mi	0.80
2	ALWM3a-03	WM3/r3/27	39.42	0.05	0.03	19.58	0.27	41.48	0.45	0.08	0.36	101.72	spl26	0.79
2	ALWM3a-03	WM3/r3/28	39.94	0.00	0.05	19.20	0.25	41.34	0.44	0.04	0.29	101.57	c	0.79
2	ALWM3a-03	WM3/r3/29	40.29	0.04	0.06	17.36	0.26	42.46	0.46	0.14	0.30	101.37	spl30	0.81

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CR	Sample	Analysis	SiO ₂	TiO ₂	Al ₂ O ₃	FeO	MnO	MgO	CaO	Na ₂ O	Cr ₂ O ₃	V ₂ O ₃	Total	Notes
1	14-KHG-90	14-KHG/1	52.06	1.09	2.14	6.93	0.13	15.60	21.86	0.35	0.39	0.04	100.59	pcc
1	14-KHG-90	14-KHG/2	51.63	1.17	2.36	5.90	0.10	15.66	22.08	0.34	0.73	0.06	100.02	pcr
1	14-KHG-90	14-KHG/3	50.67	1.46	3.51	7.41	0.13	14.57	21.71	0.38	0.54	0.06	100.44	pcc
2	14-KHG-90	14-KHG/4	48.95	2.17	4.23	7.71	0.12	13.71	21.75	0.46	0.31	0.05	99.48	pcc
3	14-KHG-90	14-KHG/5	51.56	1.24	2.37	7.87	0.17	15.13	21.32	0.32	0.18	0.07	100.24	pcc
4	14-KHG-90	14-KHG/6	51.12	1.25	2.41	7.19	0.14	15.15	21.69	0.37	0.17	0.06	99.54	pcc
4	14-KHG-90	14-KHG/7	48.47	2.39	4.51	8.23	0.13	13.83	21.28	0.45	0.37	0.09	99.75	pcz1
4	14-KHG-90	14-KHG/8	52.10	1.05	1.87	6.15	0.10	15.93	22.37	0.27	0.37	0.06	100.27	pcr
5	14-KHG-90	14-KHG/9	51.74	1.21	2.55	6.34	0.10	15.80	22.07	0.30	0.57	0.04	100.72	pcr
5	14-KHG-90	14-KHG/10	51.17	1.36	2.87	6.53	0.12	15.22	22.00	0.36	0.58	0.07	100.27	pcr
5	14-KHG-90	14-KHG/11	50.14	1.61	3.49	7.60	0.12	14.62	21.78	0.41	0.39	0.04	100.20	pcc
6	14-KHG-90	14-KHG/12	52.00	1.11	2.03	7.08	0.11	15.66	21.47	0.32	0.30	0.05	100.13	pcc
7	14-KHG-90	14-KHG/13	52.45	0.94	1.83	6.99	0.14	16.08	20.92	0.30	0.49	0.04	100.18	pcc
7	14-KHG-90	14-KHG/14	50.45	1.56	3.29	7.34	0.11	14.39	21.96	0.36	0.33	0.05	99.82	pcr
7	14-KHG-90	14-KHG/15	50.68	1.46	3.28	7.37	0.09	14.77	21.75	0.37	0.61	0.07	100.46	pcr
8	14-KHG-90	14-KHG/16	49.60	1.91	4.28	7.84	0.10	14.10	21.44	0.46	0.39	0.08	100.20	pcr
8	14-KHG-90	14-KHG/17	52.17	1.28	2.37	7.98	0.11	15.19	21.62	0.31	0.13	0.07	101.22	pcc
9	14-KHG-90	14-KHG/18	51.86	1.12	1.97	6.48	0.12	15.82	21.56	0.30	0.41	0.04	99.67	pcc
1	JSH/B006	B006a/1	52.06	1.09	2.11	7.47	0.15	15.49	21.77	0.30	0.29	0.04	100.76	gm
2	JSH/B006	B006a/2	48.94	2.05	4.25	8.73	0.14	13.67	21.70	0.46	0.07	0.09	100.09	gm/amph3
3	JSH/B006	B006a/r2/12	44.99	4.18	6.75	9.76	0.20	11.73	21.40	0.50	0.00	0.11	99.63	mi14r
3	JSH/B006	B006a/r2/13	47.33	2.72	4.71	8.27	0.16	13.23	21.80	0.45	0.12	0.11	98.89	mi14c
4	JSH/B006	B006a/r2/16	50.47	1.43	2.52	9.10	0.19	14.72	21.05	0.32	0.01	0.08	99.89	gmc/amph18
4	JSH/B006	B006a/r2/17	46.91	2.78	5.18	8.98	0.14	12.63	21.48	0.47	0.01	0.08	98.67	gmr/amph18
5	JSH/B006	B006a/r2/20	50.41	1.41	2.47	9.06	0.19	14.66	21.21	0.33	0.00	0.07	99.79	gm/amph19
6	JSH/B006	B006b/r4/10	47.09	3.18	7.07	12.33	0.24	10.12	21.42	0.56	0.01	0.10	102.10	mi~12
7	JSH/B006	B006b/r4/16	53.45	0.94	1.65	6.90	0.11	16.93	20.83	0.38	0.53	0.04	101.75	gm
8	JSH/B006	B006b/r4/17	50.26	1.43	3.24	7.58	0.12	14.77	22.15	0.43	0.42	0.04	100.44	gm
9	JSH/B006	B006b/r5/19	46.43	3.37	6.64	10.29	0.19	11.66	21.31	0.54	0.01	0.14	100.58	mi20-21
10	JSH/B006	B006b/r6/28	50.41	1.52	3.19	7.52	0.12	15.03	21.94	0.39	0.38	0.08	100.57	gmc
10	JSH/B006	B006b/r6/29	47.54	2.48	4.97	8.84	0.16	12.69	22.21	0.44	0.00	0.11	99.43	gmr
11	JSH/B006	B006b/r6/31	47.62	2.53	4.85	9.26	0.23	12.64	21.35	0.48	0.00	0.10	99.06	gm/amph32
12	JSH/B006	B006b/r7/36	51.12	1.43	2.86	6.84	0.08	15.39	21.78	0.43	0.76	0.05	100.74	gm/amph37
13	JSH/B006	B006b/r7/41	51.72	1.09	2.16	7.17	0.11	15.69	21.46	0.33	0.38	0.05	100.16	gm
1	AL/B7-98	B798/r1/4	51.24	1.00	1.93	11.47	0.28	15.60	18.83	0.22	0.00	0.04	100.61	
1	AL/B7-98	B798/r1/5	47.88	2.24	4.52	9.99	0.17	14.00	20.36	0.36	0.04	0.09	99.64	

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2	AL/B7-98	B798/r1/7	48.08	1.35	2.95	8.32	0.14	15.80	19.91	0.30	0.46	0.04	97.36	
2	AL/B7-98	B798/r1/8	50.34	1.40	3.10	8.53	0.17	15.69	20.47	0.33	0.44	0.10	100.58	
3	AL/B7-98	B798/r1/9	49.85	1.69	3.59	9.39	0.18	14.86	20.00	0.33	0.10	0.08	100.07	
4	AL/B7-98	B798/r2/14	50.12	1.34	3.01	11.10	0.24	14.21	20.10	0.35	0.01	0.07	100.55	r
4	AL/B7-98	B798/r2/15	49.22	1.38	2.95	8.05	0.14	15.96	19.66	0.29	0.63	0.06	98.34	c
5	AL/B7-98	B798/r2/16	51.37	1.03	2.13	10.81	0.23	16.70	17.62	0.23	0.01	0.05	100.19	r
5	AL/B7-98	B798/r2/17	50.83	1.35	2.95	7.96	0.17	15.73	20.16	0.26	0.68	0.07	100.15	c
5	AL/B7-98	B798/r2/18	50.56	1.25	2.63	9.63	0.23	15.87	19.51	0.27	0.04	0.08	100.06	r
1	117-KHG-91	117KHG/r1/1	50.34	1.75	3.05	9.76	0.24	12.92	22.52	0.36	0.01	0.12	101.08	z1
1	117-KHG-91	117KHG/r1/2	44.62	3.93	8.00	9.03	0.13	11.28	22.32	0.44	0.02	0.18	99.95	z2
1	117-KHG-91	117KHG/r1/3	43.36	4.07	8.91	9.14	0.13	11.03	21.82	0.49	0.10	0.22	99.27	z2
1	117-KHG-91	117KHG/r1/4	48.93	2.07	4.41	8.21	0.14	13.42	22.31	0.30	0.03	0.15	99.98	z1
2	117-KHG-91	117KHG/r1/7	43.95	4.10	8.74	9.24	0.11	11.03	21.99	0.48	0.09	0.20	99.96	
2	117-KHG-91	117KHG/r1/8	43.62	4.20	9.01	8.91	0.13	11.24	22.36	0.36	0.17	0.20	100.21	
3	117-KHG-91	117KHG/r2/11	49.16	1.96	4.27	8.36	0.14	13.70	22.14	0.31	0.07	0.09	100.20	z1
3	117-KHG-91	117KHG/r2/12	44.73	3.85	8.30	9.00	0.16	11.43	22.10	0.43	0.07	0.22	100.29	z2
3	117-KHG-91	117KHG/r2/13	44.31	3.84	8.51	9.07	0.15	11.33	22.15	0.41	0.06	0.18	100.01	z2
3	117-KHG-91	117KHG/r2/14	48.94	1.87	3.96	7.63	0.12	13.34	22.42	0.38	0.08	0.11	98.84	z1
4	117-KHG-91	117KHG/r2/17	43.57	4.06	8.44	9.13	0.12	11.28	22.28	0.44	0.06	0.20	99.59	z2
4	117-KHG-91	117KHG/r2/18	48.00	2.02	4.07	7.91	0.16	13.43	22.59	0.34	0.03	0.16	98.72	z1
6	117-KHG-91	117KHG/r3/21	47.31	2.50	4.69	9.87	0.21	11.29	22.35	0.54	0.00	0.06	98.82	z2
6	117-KHG-91	117KHG/r3/22	48.29	2.01	3.68	7.99	0.17	13.30	22.20	0.34	0.01	0.14	98.15	z1
7	117-KHG-91	117KHG/r4/25	43.61	4.09	8.41	9.21	0.14	11.17	21.97	0.47	0.05	0.21	99.31	ac
8	117-KHG-91	117KHG/r4/34	43.23	3.75	7.48	8.07	0.13	11.74	22.40	0.44	0.08	0.17	97.50	z2
8	117-KHG-91	117KHG/r4/35	47.54	2.02	4.27	8.08	0.14	13.70	21.97	0.34	0.03	0.13	98.22	z1
1	ALWM1e-98	WM1e/r1/4	44.75	2.90	8.01	11.69	0.14	11.11	19.37	0.59	0.05	0.15	98.76	gm
2	ALWM1e-98	WM1e/r2/10	45.74	2.73	7.69	8.08	0.10	12.47	21.30	0.33	0.36	0.11	98.91	gm
3	ALWM1e-98	WM1e/r2/11	46.85	2.59	6.48	8.22	0.15	12.58	20.48	0.31	0.49	0.11	98.26	gm
4	ALWM1e-98	WM1e/r3/23	48.29	1.73	5.25	10.14	0.20	13.51	19.72	0.23	0.04	0.11	99.20	gm
5	ALWM1e-98	WM1e/r3/24	45.27	2.95	8.33	9.20	0.13	11.61	21.25	0.35	0.20	0.14	99.44	gm
6	ALWM1e-98	WM1e/r4/32	49.72	1.41	3.97	8.07	0.08	15.19	19.92	0.19	0.38	0.06	98.98	gm
7	ALWM1e-98	WM1e/r4/36	47.22	2.23	6.64	8.45	0.13	12.81	20.81	0.35	0.35	0.12	99.11	gm
8	ALWM1e-98	WM1e/r4/37	45.59	3.02	8.24	9.56	0.14	11.53	21.03	0.35	0.10	0.12	99.68	gm
9	ALWM1e-98	WM1e-98/r4/s1	44.03	3.35	8.85	11.69	0.14	9.00	20.90	0.42	0.01	0.00	98.39	mi
10	ALWM1e-98	WM1e-98/r4/1	43.76	3.85	8.88	12.01	0.22	8.69	20.95	0.41	0.00	0.00	98.78	mi
11	ALWM1e-98	WM1e-98-2	41.87	4.65	10.03	11.35	0.20	8.15	21.36	0.40	0.00	0.00	98.01	mi

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11	ALWM1e-98	WM1e-98-2r	41.58	5.83	10.40	11.06	0.16	8.13	21.22	0.44	0.07	0.00	98.90	mi
12	ALWM1e-98	WM1e-98-1b	40.69	4.81	11.28	12.75	0.18	6.33	21.78	0.45	0.07	0.00	98.34	mi
13	ALWM1e-98	WM1e/r2/19	41.76	5.33	11.66	9.89	0.17	8.12	20.90	0.61	0.01	0.17	98.62	mi20
1	ALWM1b-98	WM1b/amfs1	41.57	4.44	10.27	11.60	0.22	9.16	20.90	0.47	0.06	0.00	98.68	mi
2	ALWM1b-98	WM1b/amfs2	44.56	3.10	8.58	14.11	0.31	8.31	20.21	0.48	0.00	0.00	99.66	mi
1	ALWM3a-03	WM3/r1/5	42.78	3.67	10.66	11.95	0.16	8.90	21.03	0.41	0.10	0.22	99.90	mi2
2	ALWM3a-03	WM3/r1/6	46.08	3.06	8.65	9.17	0.11	11.63	21.34	0.36	0.13	0.11	100.64	gm
3	ALWM3a-03	WM3/r1/7	45.09	3.24	8.31	9.70	0.14	11.82	21.34	0.37	0.20	0.16	100.37	gm
4	ALWM3a-03	WM3/r2/12	45.91	3.09	7.97	9.16	0.12	11.78	21.29	0.35	0.33	0.18	100.17	gm
5	ALWM3a-03	WM3/r2/13	46.10	2.86	7.92	8.90	0.10	11.92	21.84	0.34	0.25	0.13	100.36	gm
6	ALWM3a-03	WM3/r2/16	44.76	2.87	7.58	9.60	0.55	12.67	19.69	0.36	0.05	0.08	98.21	gm
7	ALWM3a-03	WM3/r3/21	44.29	3.60	9.18	10.49	0.16	10.61	21.33	0.41	0.07	0.18	100.33	gm
8	ALWM3a-03	WM3/r3/22	48.96	2.17	4.72	11.52	0.29	12.00	20.42	0.49	0.02	0.12	100.72	gm
9	ALWM3a-03	WM3/r3/23	44.83	3.15	8.95	10.10	0.16	10.88	21.49	0.41	0.06	0.17	100.20	gm
10	ALWM3a-03	WM3/r3/24	46.99	1.98	7.62	8.66	0.17	12.57	20.94	0.38	0.12	0.08	99.50	gm
1	ALWM3a-03	WM3/r1/3	41.59	3.20	11.25	12.64	0.24	8.01	19.51	0.76	0.02	0.15	97.38	mi2
5	AL/B5-03	B5/r3/20	51.68	0.82	3.09	5.81	0.09	16.43	21.17	0.24	0.92	0.10	100.35	pcc
5	AL/B5-03	B5/r3/21	52.30	0.73	3.01	5.92	0.12	16.45	21.54	0.21	0.45	0.06	100.79	pcz1
5	AL/B5-03	B5/r3/26	52.37	0.58	2.60	5.25	0.06	16.94	21.04	0.22	1.22	0.02	100.29	pcz2
5	AL/B5-03	B5/r3/23	51.50	1.03	2.95	8.40	0.20	16.22	19.57	0.23	0.06	0.09	100.24	pcr
1	128-KHG-91	128KHG/r1/8	47.56	1.86	5.33	10.72	0.19	13.08	21.24	0.41	0.06	0.10	100.57	c
2	128-KHG-91	128KHG/r1/9	49.05	1.86	3.96	11.34	0.30	13.15	20.61	0.47	0.00	0.09	100.83	plag6
3	128-KHG-91	128KHG/r1/10	49.15	1.47	4.01	10.56	0.20	13.77	20.74	0.37	0.00	0.10	100.38	c
4	128-KHG-91	128KHG/r2/15	47.75	1.90	5.56	10.60	0.18	13.03	21.53	0.38	0.06	0.09	101.08	c
5	128-KHG-91	128KHG/r2/16	47.27	2.14	5.85	10.36	0.16	13.05	21.12	0.39	0.20	0.08	100.62	c
6	128-KHG-91	128KHG/r2/17	50.36	1.03	3.01	10.23	0.22	14.61	20.80	0.28	0.00	0.08	100.62	c
7	128-KHG-91	128KHG/r3/22b	31.49	32.57	3.37	4.65	0.04	1.79	25.63	0.00	0.02	0.61	100.16	ox22
7	128-KHG-91	128KHG/r3/23	47.36	1.91	5.03	11.01	0.22	13.21	21.10	0.40	0.02	0.10	100.34	c
8	128-KHG-91	128KHG/r3/24	46.58	1.96	5.52	11.02	0.17	12.37	21.58	0.38	0.06	0.12	99.75	r
8	128-KHG-91	128KHG/r3/25	49.99	1.06	2.92	10.03	0.21	14.86	20.42	0.30	0.08	0.07	99.94	c
9	128-KHG-91	128KHG/r3/26	47.02	1.79	5.64	9.93	0.19	13.28	21.40	0.36	0.18	0.10	99.88	c
1	X2-KHG-90	X2/r1/1	51.61	1.37	1.81	12.04	0.33	13.70	20.38	0.26	0.05	0.12	101.67	
1	X2-KHG-90	X2/r1/2	51.26	1.28	1.93	11.71	0.27	14.03	19.83	0.29	0.00	0.14	100.76	
2	X2-KHG-90	X2/r1/3	49.38	1.98	3.03	12.54	0.25	12.36	20.88	0.38	0.00	0.11	100.91	
3	X2-KHG-90	X2/r1/4	48.10	2.50	4.57	11.48	0.22	12.89	20.12	0.36	0.07	0.22	100.52	
4	X2-KHG-90	X2/r1/5	51.36	1.26	1.86	11.99	0.31	13.87	19.59	0.28	0.06	0.11	100.70	

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CLINOPYROXENE

CR	Sample	Analysis	SiO ₂	TiO ₂	Al ₂ O ₃	FeO	MnO	MgO	CaO	Na ₂ O	Cr ₂ O ₃	V ₂ O ₃	Total	Notes
5	X2-KHG-90	X2/r2/12	48.81	1.96	3.41	12.29	0.32	12.93	20.52	0.37	0.00	0.11	100.72	c
5	X2-KHG-90	X2/r2/13	50.83	1.24	1.50	13.81	0.36	12.68	20.29	0.32	0.01	0.00	101.05	r
6	X2-KHG-90	X2/r2/14	50.76	1.17	1.41	14.36	0.43	12.68	20.11	0.27	0.00	0.06	101.25	c
6	X2-KHG-90	X2/r2/15	50.49	0.81	0.85	18.52	0.51	10.07	19.97	0.27	0.02	0.04	101.54	r
7	X2-KHG-90	X2/r2/16	48.65	2.05	3.58	11.40	0.26	13.23	20.94	0.38	0.03	0.12	100.64	
8	X2-KHG-90	X2/r2/20	47.86	1.93	3.79	12.82	0.23	12.95	19.25	0.37	0.00	0.14	99.33	

AMPHIBOLE

CR	Sample	Analysis	SiO ₂	TiO ₂	Al ₂ O ₃	FeO	MnO	MgO	CaO	Na ₂ O	K ₂ O	P ₂ O ₅	Cr ₂ O ₃	V ₂ O ₃	Cl	F	Total	Notes
1	JSH/B006	B006a/3	39.28	5.46	13.16	16.74	0.23	9.60	10.94	2.47	0.76	0.15	0.00	0.04	0.03	0.48	99.34	cpx2
2	JSH/B006	B006a/r2/15	39.71	3.98	12.20	16.43	0.27	9.45	10.89	2.49	0.88	0.11	0.00	0.03	0.03	0.62	97.08	gm
3	JSH/B006	B006a/r2/18	39.42	3.60	13.08	16.80	0.25	9.66	11.01	2.48	0.88	0.40	0.01	0.04	0.02	0.61	98.26	cpx16-17
4	JSH/B006	B006a/r2/19	40.15	4.01	11.83	15.31	0.26	10.10	10.67	2.61	0.70	0.43	0.00	0.04	0.02	0.58	96.72	cpx20
5	JSH/B006	B006b/r4/8	41.32	5.32	10.22	13.06	0.16	10.52	14.74	1.94	0.69	0.01	0.02	0.17	0.02	0.36	98.54	mi14
6	JSH/B006	B006b/r6/30	39.20	5.47	13.03	15.84	0.24	9.80	10.99	2.47	0.69	0.23	0.00	0.05	0.01	0.46	98.48	gm
7	JSH/B006	B006b/r6/32	39.51	3.75	12.97	17.86	0.32	9.24	10.71	2.54	0.94	0.15	0.00	0.04	0.02	0.49	98.53	cpx31
8	JSH/B006	B006b/r6/33	39.56	5.23	12.49	15.26	0.26	9.94	10.82	2.60	0.70	0.19	0.00	0.05	0.01	0.50	97.62	gm
9	JSH/B006	B006b/r7/38	38.86	5.44	13	16.05	0.25	9.73	10.74	2.59	0.65	0.31	0.00	0.03	0.02	0.51	98.25	gm
1	AL/WM1b-98	WM1b/amf3	39.36	5.05	12.23	18.27	0.23	7.75	11.27	2.67	1.17	0.00	0.08	0.00	0.03	0.17	98.32	mi
1	AL/WM1b-98	WM1b/amf3-2	38.60	4.75	12.10	18.20	0.25	7.80	11.34	2.75	1.16	0.00	0.06	0.00	0.00	0.25	97.46	mi
1	AL/WM1b-98	WM1b/amf3-3	38.68	4.87	12.21	17.87	0.22	7.91	11.36	2.82	1.15	0.00	0.08	0.00	0.02	0.18	97.47	mi
1	AL/WM1e-98	WM1e/amf1	37.97	5.41	14.70	14.52	0.12	8.96	12.79	2.46	0.15	0.00	0.06	0.00	0.00	0.35	97.83	mi
1	AL/WM1e-98	WM1e/amf1-2	37.24	5.90	15.32	15.05	0.22	8.70	11.12	2.61	0.20	0.00	0.05	0.00	0.00	0.36	97.16	mi
2	AL/WM1e-98	WM1e/amf1r	38.64	5.62	14.90	13.60	0.20	10.00	10.98	2.70	0.20	0.00	0.03	0.00	0.01	0.40	97.58	mi
2	AL/WM1e-98	WM1e/amf1k	37.24	4.12	17.59	13.41	0.18	9.24	11.04	2.84	0.23	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.03	0.46	96.65	mi
3	AL/WM1e-98	WM1e/1a	37.66	5.79	14.52	14.59	0.15	8.78	12.67	2.41	0.18	0.00	0.05	0.00	0.01	0.42	97.57	mi-B
4	AL/WM1e-98	WM1e/1kev	37.36	4.63	17.40	13.87	0.29	9.03	11.03	2.80	0.23	0.00	0.05	0.00	0.00	0.44	97.38	mi
5	AL/WM1e-98	WM1e/r3/3-2	36.96	5.98	15.49	14.22	0.12	9.05	11.28	2.88	0.33	0.00	0.24	0.00	0.00	0.42	97.25	mi
6	AL/WM1e-98	WM1e/r4/2	38.53	5.62	14.54	13.73	0.19	10.03	11.22	2.76	0.21	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.40	97.55	mi

CR SPINEL

CR	Sample	Analysis	SiO ₂	TiO ₂	Al ₂ O ₃	FeO	MgO	Cr ₂ O ₃	NiO	V ₂ O ₃	Total	Notes
1	JSH/B006	B006a/r2/10	0.02	7.80	6.60	45.25	8.14	26.97	0.28	0.38	95.45	ol9
2	JSH/B006	B006b/r6/27	0.00	6.61	6.86	46.73	7.53	29.08	0.23	0.39	97.43	ol-26
1	AL/WM1e-98	WM1e/r1/5	0.08	3.74	18.22	34.28	13.84	27.50	0.33	0.49	98.47	pc
2	AL/WM1e-98	WM1e/r2/15	0.53	2.97	18.66	32.22	11.52	30.48	0.31	0.37	97.05	mi13
3	AL/WM1e-98	WM1e/r2/16	2.35	3.14	19.47	30.58	12.07	27.87	0.31	0.37	96.15	ol18
4	AL/WM1e-98	WM1e/r2/17	0.17	3.21	20.02	31.62	12.52	28.74	0.28	0.42	96.98	ol18

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CR SPINEL

CR	Sample	Analysis	SiO ₂	TiO ₂	Al ₂ O ₃	FeO	MgO	Cr ₂ O ₃	NiO	V ₂ O ₃	Total	Notes
5	AL/WM1e-98	WM1e/r3/22	0.21	2.44	15.30	34.54	11.10	32.83	0.23	0.27	96.92	pc
6	AL/WM1e-98	WM1e/r4/38	0.15	4.51	19.12	34.91	12.10	26.04	0.33	0.60	97.77	pc
7	AL/WM1e-98	WM1e/r4/39	0.11	3.02	18.93	31.04	13.08	30.51	0.33	0.42	97.44	pc
8	AL/WM1e-98	WM1e/OI/k	0.06	3.59	15.09	40.22	8.63	27.21	0.28	0.45	95.53	olD
9	AL/WM1e-98	WM1e-23	0.17	3.42	14.41	39.29	9.03	30.65	0.36	0.30	97.63	mi
1	AL/WM3a-03	WM3/r1/9	0.08	4.13	14.43	43.62	9.40	25.43	0.28	0.56	97.93	ol~1
2	AL/WM3a-03	WM3/r2/17	0.13	3.45	17.28	35.71	11.58	29.07	0.35	0.40	97.96	ol~15
3	AL/WM3a-03	WM3/r2/18	0.13	4.02	18.03	36.47	12.95	26.79	0.34	0.48	99.20	ol~15
4	AL/WM3a-03	WM3/r2/19	0.19	4.52	17.13	36.97	12.81	25.96	0.37	0.49	98.44	ol~15
5	AL/WM3a-03	WM3/r3/25	0.07	4.71	16.91	37.83	12.07	25.54	0.35	0.49	97.97	gm
6	AL/WM3a-03	WM3/r3/26	0.11	3.33	15.57	40.16	9.82	29.23	0.27	0.53	99.03	ol27
7	AL/WM3a-03	WM3/r3/30	0.92	3.23	15.48	36.39	10.92	29.73	0.33	0.51	97.51	ol29

FE-TI OXIDES

CR	Sample	Analysis	SiO ₂	TiO ₂	Al ₂ O ₃	FeO	MgO	Cr ₂ O ₃	NiO	V ₂ O ₃	Total	Notes
1	JSH/B006	B006a/5	0.21	23.07	3.62	66.60	1.08	0.46	0.03	0.51	95.57	gm
2	JSH/B006	B006b/r4/11	0.03	24.31	3.14	62.42	1.44	0.22	1.28	0.94	93.78	mi~12
3	JSH/B006	B006b/r7/39	0.04	23.48	3.83	65.14	1.65	0.02	0.01	0.63	94.81	gm
4	JSH/B006	B006b/r7/40	0.13	24.31	4.36	64.40	0.40	0.02	0.02	0.73	94.37	gm
1	AL/B7-98	B798/r1/1	0.02	46.65	0.07	47.99	2.01	0.16	0.00	0.57	97.47	c
2	AL/B7-98	B798/r1/2	0.00	46.99	0.01	47.06	3.02	0.00	0.01	0.43	97.52	c
3	AL/B7-98	B798/r2/19	0.00	46.59	0.12	48.08	1.48	0.60	0.08	0.58	97.52	c
4	AL/B7-98	B798/r2/20	0.00	45.84	0.16	48.32	2.52	0.00	0.07	0.62	97.53	c
1	117-KHG-91	117KHG/r1/5	0.09	26.23	1.03	66.86	1.02	0.11	0.05	0.59	95.99	c
2	117-KHG-91	117KHG/r1/10	0.41	20.54	1.25	68.69	0.71	0.48	0.09	0.60	92.77	c
3	117-KHG-91	117KHG/r3/23	0.05	25.73	2.50	61.28	1.41	0.07	0.95	0.64	92.64	c
4	117-KHG-91	117KHG/r4/26	0.03	26.49	2.32	61.62	1.28	0.23	0.20	0.65	92.82	c
1	128-KHG-91	128KHG/r1/1	0.16	16.56	4.18	72.28	1.62	0.00	0.00	0.81	95.60	c
2	128-KHG-91	128KHG/r1/2	0.13	16.29	3.36	72.40	1.52	0.00	0.02	0.72	94.45	c
3	128-KHG-91	128KHG/r2/13	0.09	14.39	3.72	71.96	1.45	0.05	0.68	0.76	93.10	r
3	128-KHG-91	128KHG/r2/14	0.10	15.65	2.85	72.62	1.55	0.02	0.07	0.74	93.59	c
4	128-KHG-91	128KHG/r3/21	0.05	17.88	0.75	73.53	1.71	0.04	0.03	0.67	94.66	c
1	X2-KHG-90	X2/r1/10	0.82	23.99	0.52	69.66	1.00	0.40	0.02	0.47	96.89	c
2	X2-KHG-90	X2/r1/11	0.08	24.88	0.06	69.48	1.01	0.00	0.46	0.90	96.87	c
3	X2-KHG-90	X2/r2/21	0.08	25.40	1.88	67.39	0.98	0.00	0.06	0.98	96.76	c
3	X2-KHG-90	X2/r2/21	0.12	26.43	1.94	66.56	1.04	0.05	0.09	0.96	97.20	c

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CR	Sample	Analysis	SiO ₂	Al ₂ O ₃	FeO	MgO	CaO	Na ₂ O	K ₂ O	Total	Notes	An
1	JSH/B006	B006a/r2/21	59.22	24.18	0.45	0.00	6.47	6.57	0.82	97.73	gm	0.35
2	JSH/B006	B006b/r6/34	62.22	23.21	0.38	0.02	4.70	7.38	1.04	98.94	gm	0.26
3	JSH/B006	b006b/r7/c10	62.27	23.93	0.32	0.01	5.25	7.39	0.93	100.09	gm	0.28
1	AL/B7-98	B798/r1/3	55.22	26.39	0.62	0.05	10.07	5.34	0.31	98.00	c	0.51
2	AL/B7-98	B798/r1/6	57.41	25.22	0.57	0.09	8.30	6.34	0.42	98.34	c	0.42
3	AL/B7-98	B798/r2/10	54.36	27.16	0.71	0.07	10.91	4.97	0.31	98.49	c	0.55
4	AL/B7-98	B798/r2/11	53.82	26.85	0.65	0.07	11.16	4.85	0.30	97.70	c	0.56
5	AL/B7-98	B798/r2/12	54.32	27.15	0.79	0.10	10.94	4.98	0.30	98.58	c	0.55
6	AL/B7-98	B798/r2/13	58.29	24.02	0.49	0.01	7.23	6.65	0.52	97.21	c	0.38
1	117-KHG-91	117KHG/r1/6	54.10	28.13	0.42	0.05	11.45	4.46	0.40	99.01	c	0.59
2	117-KHG-91	117KHG/r1/9	50.51	30.65	0.67	0.08	14.44	3.06	0.25	99.67	c	0.72
3	117-KHG-91	117KHG/r2/15	51.54	30.07	0.61	0.07	13.45	3.38	0.21	99.33	c	0.69
4	117-KHG-91	117KHG/r2/16	51.01	29.66	0.60	0.09	13.95	3.27	0.22	98.80	c	0.70
5	117-KHG-91	117KHG/r4/30	50.42	29.20	0.57	0.08	13.41	3.56	0.26	97.50	c	0.68
1	AL/WM1e-98	WM1e/r1/3	58.06	25.84	0.81	0.09	8.24	5.82	0.36	99.22	gm	0.44
2	AL/WM1e-98	WM1e/r2/7	56.03	26.67	0.94	0.12	9.90	5.01	0.22	98.89	gm	0.52
3	AL/WM1e-98	WM1e/r3/25	55.04	26.94	1.14	0.10	10.36	4.68	0.18	98.44	gm	0.55
4	AL/WM1e-98	WM1e/r3/26	62.64	23.23	0.50	0.00	4.80	7.55	0.53	99.24	gm	0.26
5	AL/WM1e-98	WM1e/r4/33	53.42	27.15	2.73	0.32	10.44	4.27	0.18	98.50	gm	0.57
6	AL/WM1e-98	WM1e/r4/34	56.83	25.57	2.37	0.30	8.13	5.50	0.56	99.25	gm	0.45
7	AL/WM1e-98	WM1e/r4/35	55.86	26.45	1.30	0.14	9.73	5.00	0.23	98.70	gm	0.52
1	AL/WM3a-03	WM3/r1/8	56.78	26.56	0.97	0.42	9.61	5.13	0.20	99.68	gm	0.51
2	AL/WM3a-03	WM3/r2/10	52.56	26.40	2.09	0.33	10.44	4.01	0.22	96.05	gm	0.59
3	AL/WM3a-03	WM3/r2/14	55.43	27.23	0.96	0.11	10.69	4.57	0.20	99.18	gm	0.56
1	128-KHG-91	128KHG/r1/3	51.45	29.75	0.84	0.18	13.85	3.43	0.13	99.62	c	0.69
2	128-KHG-91	128KHG/r1/4	54.39	27.20	0.78	0.12	11.43	4.65	0.27	98.84	pcr	0.58
2	128-KHG-91	128KHG/r1/5	54.68	27.27	0.77	0.11	11.25	4.91	0.27	99.25	pcc	0.56
2	128-KHG-91	128KHG/r1/6	54.21	27.31	0.75	0.09	11.29	4.64	0.29	98.58	pcc	0.57
3	128-KHG-91	128KHG/r1/7	53.09	28.62	0.97	0.14	12.94	4.07	0.16	99.99	c	0.64
4	128-KHG-91	128KHG/r1/11	52.04	29.01	1.25	0.26	13.50	3.74	0.16	99.97	c	0.67
5	128-KHG-91	128KHG/r1/12	51.00	29.37	0.90	0.16	13.86	3.44	0.11	98.85	c	0.69
6	128-KHG-91	128KHG/r2/18	51.68	28.76	0.86	0.14	13.58	3.68	0.14	98.84	c	0.67
7	128-KHG-91	128KHG/r2/19	56.96	26.52	0.76	0.08	9.73	5.67	0.28	100.00	c	0.49
8	128-KHG-91	128KHG/r2/20	56.68	26.01	0.73	0.09	9.51	5.58	0.29	98.88	c	0.49
9	128-KHG-91	128KHG/r3/27	50.73	28.34	1.02	0.12	13.69	3.64	0.13	97.66	c	0.68
10	128-KHG-91	128KHG/r3/28	50.74	28.93	0.84	0.14	13.73	3.64	0.14	98.17	c	0.68

Appendix I continued...

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CR	Sample	Analysis	SiO ₂	Al ₂ O ₃	FeO	MgO	CaO	Na ₂ O	K ₂ O	Total	Notes	An
11	128-KHG-91	128KHG/r3/29	50.66	28.65	0.91	0.15	13.85	3.45	0.11	97.77	c	0.69
12	128-KHG-91	128KHG/r3/30	51.89	28.50	0.99	0.12	13.16	3.96	0.14	98.74	c	0.65
1	X2-KHG-90	X2/r1/6	56.86	25.40	1.57	0.27	8.91	5.33	0.54	98.89	c	0.48
2	X2-KHG-90	X2/r1/7	54.11	27.25	0.81	0.15	11.23	4.27	0.33	98.16	c	0.59
3	X2-KHG-90	X2/r1/8	56.20	26.11	0.59	0.07	10.11	4.91	0.41	98.40	c	0.53
4	X2-KHG-90	X2/r1/9	59.72	24.39	0.42	0.08	7.42	6.20	0.73	98.97	c	0.40
5	X2-KHG-90	X2/r2/17	55.79	26.33	0.63	0.06	10.20	4.94	0.34	98.27	c	0.53
6	X2-KHG-90	X2/r2/18	56.60	25.69	0.61	0.10	9.71	5.22	0.42	98.34	c	0.51
7	X2-KHG-90	X2/r2/19	53.50	27.56	0.99	0.12	12.10	4.18	0.25	98.72	c	0.62

Mineral compositions determined at the Geological Survey of Finland with Cameca SX-100 electron microprobe. Analytical procedures given in Paper II. Abbreviations used in the dataset: CR = crystal, c = core, r = rim, mi = melt inclusion, gm = groundmass, z = zone, pc = phenocryst, spl = close to spinel inclusion, amph = clinopyroxene with amphibole rim, ox = close to oxide grain, cpx = amphibole rim in clinopyroxene, ol = inclusion in olivine, Fo = forsterite content ($Mg/(Mg+Fe^{2+})$), An = anorthite content ($Ca/(Ca+Na)$).