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1 Ancient volcanism on the Moon: Insights from Pb isotopes in the MIL 13317 and Kalahari 009 lunar
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16 **Abstract**

17 Lunar meteorites provide a potential opportunity to expand the study of ancient (> 4000 Ma) basaltic
18 volcanism on the Moon, of which there are only a few examples in the Apollo sample collection.
19 Secondary Ion Mass Spectrometry (SIMS) was used to determine the Pb isotopic compositions of
20 multiple mineral phases (Ca-phosphates, baddeleyite K-feldspar, K-rich glass and plagioclase) in two
21 lunar meteorites, Miller Range (MIL) 13317 and Kalahari (Kal) 009. These data were used to calculate
22 crystallisation ages of 4332 ± 2 Ma (95% confidence level) for basaltic clasts in MIL 13317, and
23 4369 ± 7 Ma (95% confidence level) for the monomict basaltic breccia Kal 009. From the analyses of
24 the MIL 13317 basaltic clasts, it was possible to determine an initial Pb isotopic composition of the
25 protolith from which the clasts originated, and infer a $^{238}\text{U}/^{204}\text{Pb}$ ratio (μ -value) of 850 ± 280 (2σ

26 uncertainty) for the magmatic source of this basalt. This is lower than μ -values determined previously
27 for KREEP-rich (an acronym for K, Rare Earth Elements and P) basalts, although analyses of other
28 lithological components in the meteorite suggest the presence of a KREEP component in the regolith
29 from which the breccia was formed and, therefore, a more probable origin for the meteorite on the
30 lunar nearside. It was not possible to determine a similar initial Pb isotopic composition from the Kal
31 009 data, but previous studies of the meteorite have highlighted the very low concentrations of
32 incompatible trace elements and proposed an origin on the farside of the Moon. Taken together, the
33 data from these two meteorites provide more compelling evidence for widespread ancient volcanism
34 on the Moon. Furthermore, the compositional differences between the basaltic materials in the
35 meteorites provide evidence that this volcanism was not an isolated or localised occurrence, but
36 happened in multiple locations on the Moon and at distinct times. In light of previous studies into early
37 lunar magmatic evolution, these data also imply that basaltic volcanism commenced almost
38 immediately after Lunar Magma Ocean (LMO) crystallisation, as defined by Nd, Hf and Pb model
39 ages at about 4370 Ma.

40 **1. Introduction**

41 Lunar basalts collected during the Apollo and Luna missions have crystallisation ages ranging from
42 approximately 4300-3100 Ma, but the vast majority comprise the mare basalts collected during the
43 Apollo 11, 12, 15 and 17 missions, which have been dated to between 3800-3100 Ma (Nyquist and
44 Shih 1992; for a more recent summary of lunar basalt ages see also Joy and Arai 2013). The
45 crystallisation ages of the Apollo basalt samples have been combined with crater counting statistics for
46 exposed mare basalt units across the lunar surface, obtained from orbital imagery, indicating that the
47 exposed basalt flows were emplaced between 4000-1200 Ma, with a peak in basalt eruption between
48 approximately 3700-3300 Ma (Hiesinger et al. 2003; 2010). Remote sensing evidence for ancient
49 (>4000 Ma) mare volcanism was recognised by Schultz and Spudis (1979; 1983), who interpreted
50 “dark-haloed” impact craters as instances where basaltic flows had been buried by the ejecta deposits
51 from large impact craters, and then subsequently re-exposed by smaller impacts. These deposits of
52 buried basaltic flows were designated the term “cryptomare” (Head and Wilson 1992). More recent
53 remote sensing analyses of cryptomare deposits indicate a range of compositions consistent with the
54 exposed mare basalts (Whitten and Head 2015a), as well as a geographical distribution of ancient
55 lunar volcanism that mirrors the nearside-farside asymmetry of the younger basaltic flows (Whitten
56 and Head 2015b).

57 Using the compositional classification scheme proposed by Neal and Taylor (1992), the lunar mare
58 basalts can be defined first by their bulk TiO_2 content (where: > 6 wt% = high-Ti; 1-6 wt% = low-Ti;
59 <1 wt% = very low-Ti [VLT]), then by Al_2O_3 content (>11 wt% = high-Al; < 11 wt% = low-Al) and
60 finally by K content (> 2000 ppm = high-K; <2000 ppm = low-K). Sample-based evidence for ancient
61 lunar volcanism was first identified in a number of Apollo 14 breccias, which were found to contain
62 low-Ti, high-Al basaltic clasts with high concentrations of incompatible trace elements (ITEs), some
63 of which are potentially as old as 4300-4200 Ma (Taylor et al. 1983; Shih et al. 1986; 1987; Dasch et
64 al. 1987; Nyquist and Shih 1992; Neal and Kramer 2006). This has since been supplemented by
65 evidence from lunar meteorites. Firstly, in the basaltic breccia meteorite Kalahari (Kal) 009, with U-
66 Pb dating of Ca-phosphate grains and Lu-Hf analyses of mineral separates indicating crystallisation

67 ages of 4350 ± 150 Ma and 4286 ± 95 Ma, respectively (Terada et al. 2007; Sokol et al. 2008).
68 Subsequent investigation of the same meteorite by Shih et al. (2008) yielded a Sm-Nd isochron age of
69 4300 ± 50 Ma. These ages, combined with minor and trace element analyses of the meteorite, were
70 interpreted as evidence that the basaltic material in Kal 009 was sourced from cryptomare basalt that
71 (in contrast to the Apollo 14 basaltic clasts) had a VLT, high-Al composition and very low-ITE
72 concentrations. More recently, U-Pb analyses of baddeleyite, Ca-phosphate and tranquillityite in the
73 basaltic-bearing anorthositic breccia Miller Range (MIL) 13317 provided $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ ages that were
74 interpreted as evidence for two mare basalt lithologies with primary crystallisation ages of 4270 ± 24
75 Ma and 4352 ± 9 Ma (Shaulis et al. 2016). The presence of zirconium-rich phases, such as those
76 identified in MIL 13317, is typically associated with evolved lunar lithologies that are more ITE-rich
77 than the Kal 009 basalt. Similarly, modelling of the MIL 13317 bulk rock composition (Zeigler and
78 Korotev 2016) suggests that the breccia matrix contains a mixture of mare basalt and KREEP-rich
79 lithologies (a geochemical signature defined by elevated concentrations of K, Rare Earth Elements,
80 and P).

81 In this study, the Pb isotopic compositions of multiple phases in the MIL 13317 basaltic clasts have
82 been determined with Secondary Ion Mass Spectrometry (SIMS). This approach follows the one
83 described by Snape et al. (2016; 2018), which demonstrated the potential for Pb isotopic analyses of
84 lunar basalts to provide precise crystallisation ages, as well as estimates for the Pb isotopic
85 composition of the basalts at the time of crystallisation (herein referred to as the initial Pb isotopic
86 composition). The analytical approach outlined by Snape et al. (2016) was initially applied to mare
87 basalt samples, but it has since been successfully used in non-basalt samples including the Apollo 16
88 impact melt breccia, 66095, and clasts of evolved lithologies in two Apollo 14 breccias (Snape et al.
89 2017; Nemchin et al. 2017). By applying the same method to basaltic clasts in the MIL 13317 breccia,
90 this study aims to test the potential link between $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ ages of minerals in the meteorite matrix
91 with the clasts, and determine the initial Pb isotopic composition for some of the oldest identified
92 lunar basalts. Additionally, new SIMS analyses have been made of phosphates in the Kal 009

93 meteorite in order to more precisely constrain its age and enable a more insightful comparison with the
94 ages of the MIL 13317 basalt clasts.

95 **2. Methods**

96 2.1. Sample descriptions

97 2.1.1. MIL 13317

98 MIL 13317 was found in 2013 by the Antarctic Search for Meteorites Programme (ANSMET).
99 Despite initial classification as an anorthositic breccia (Satterwhite and Righter 2015), more detailed
100 investigations demonstrated that the breccia has a mafic composition more consistent with it having a
101 basaltic origin (Korotev and Irving 2016; Zeigler and Korotev 2016; Curran et al. 2016). Pyroxene
102 compositions determined by Curran et al. (2016) are consistent with the basaltic clasts being fragments
103 of VLT to low-Ti (where $\text{TiO}_2 = 1\text{-}6$ wt%; Neal and Taylor 1992) mare basalts.

104 The Pb isotopic compositions were determined for accessory phases in five clasts, previously
105 identified by Curran et al. (2016), and indicated in Fig. 1a (see also supplementary Fig. A.1). Three of
106 these clasts were classified as fragments of basalt (Clasts 1, 4 and 10; Figs. 1b,c,e), and are composed
107 primarily of subophitic intergrowths of pyroxene and plagioclase (with typical grain sizes of $\sim 100\text{-}500$
108 μm), with smaller (typically $\sim 200 \times 30$ μm) laths of a silica polymorph. Interstitial sites between these
109 phases are occupied by areas of late-stage mesostasis, containing K-feldspar, K-rich glass and
110 phosphates, which were the primary targets for the SIMS analyses. A fourth clast (600×350 μm) is a
111 fragment of apparently more evolved granitic material dominated by K-rich glass and silica (Clast 22;
112 Fig. 1d), but could potentially be a particularly large fragment of mesostasis from the same basaltic
113 material as the first three clasts. The final clast analysed (Clast 2; Fig. 1e) was described by Curran et
114 al. (2016) as a basaltic crystalline impact melt clast and lies adjacent to Clast 10. Despite containing a
115 similar range of phases to the basalt clasts (i.e. pyroxene, plagioclase, silica and mesostasis), the
116 impact melt clast is somewhat finer grained (typical grain sizes of $\sim 50\text{-}200$ μm) than the basalts and
117 has more K-rich plagioclase compositions. Additionally, a number of analyses were made in mineral
118 fragments within the breccia matrix.

119 2.1.2. Kalahari 009

120 The Kal 008 and 009 meteorites were recovered in Botswana in 1999 (Russell et al. 2005). Despite
121 being paired, the two stones are very different, with Kal 008 being classified as an anorthositic
122 breccia, while Kal 009 is a brecciated VLT mare basalt (a detailed discussion of the geochemistry and
123 petrology for both stones is provided by Sokol et al. 2008). Despite the VLT bulk composition and
124 low bulk rock ITE abundances of the sample compared with most Apollo basalts, mineral chemistry
125 data from the major silicate phases reported by Sokol et al. (2008) are consistent with VLT and low-Ti
126 basalts, including those collected at both the Apollo 12, 15, 17 and Luna 24 landing sites (Figs. A.2.
127 and A.3.). The meteorite is generally divided into areas of where the original igneous texture has been
128 preserved and those that are more pervasively fractured (Fig. 2a). The Kal 009 basalt lacks most of the
129 late-stage phases (e.g. K-feldspar, K-rich glass, zircon; Sokol et al. 2008) that have been successfully
130 used to construct Pb-Pb isochrons in other lunar basalts (Snape et al. 2016; 2018), however, several
131 small (10-30 μm) phosphate grains are present in the more brecciated regions of the meteorite,
132 including those analysed previously by Terada et al. (2007). The meteorite also displays clear evidence
133 of terrestrial weathering, with Ca-carbonate filling many of the fractures and veins in the samples (Fig.
134 2b-c). Sokol et al. (2008) also reported the presence of what they describe as K-rich “cauliflower-like
135 structures”, which they also attribute to terrestrial weathering (Figs. 2a-e).

136 2.2. Analytical protocol

137 The MIL 13317,7 thin section was provided by NASA’s Meteorite Working Group. The two sections
138 of Kal 009 analysed in this study are the same as those previously studied by Terada et al. (2007) and
139 Sokol et al. (2008). All of the sections were cleaned with ethanol before being carbon coated. Back
140 Scattered Electron (BSE) images and X-ray elemental maps of each section were acquired using a
141 Quanta 650 FEGSEM and accompanying Oxford Instruments Energy Dispersive Spectroscopy (EDS)
142 detector at Stockholm University, operating with an accelerating voltage of 20 kV at a working
143 distance of 10 mm.

144 Following the SEM documentation and prior to the SIMS analyses, the samples were cleaned with a
145 fine (1 μm) diamond paste and ethanol to remove the carbon coating before adding a 30 nm gold
146 coating. The Pb isotopic compositions of the phases were determined during three analytical sessions
147 using a CAMECA IMS 1280 ion microprobe at the NordSIMS facility in the Swedish Museum of
148 Natural History, Stockholm, using a methodology similar to that outlined in previous studies
149 (Whitehouse et al. 2005; Bellucci et al. 2015). Apertures in the primary column were used to generate
150 a slightly elliptical O_2^- sample probe with dimensions appropriate to the target. The smaller phases
151 (including K-rich glass, K-feldspar and phosphates) were analysed using either $\sim 5 \mu\text{m}$ or $\sim 10 \mu\text{m}$
152 spots (beam current typically 0.3-0.5 nA or 1-2 nA, respectively), while several plagioclase grains in
153 the MIL 13317 clasts and the Ca- and K-rich material in the fractures of Kal 009 were analysed with a
154 $\sim 30 \mu\text{m}$ spot (13-16 nA). Prior to each measurement, an area of 20-35 μm around the spot location
155 was rastered for 240 seconds in order to remove the gold coating and minimise possible surface
156 contamination. The instrument was operated in high-transmission mode, corresponding to a transfer
157 magnification of 160 \times . In this mode, the field aperture size was chosen to limit the field of view on the
158 sample surface (i.e. the area from which ions will be admitted to the mass spectrometer) to be bigger
159 than the unrastered spot but smaller than the rastered beam, further minimising the possibility of
160 surface contamination. The mass spectrometer was operated with a nominal mass resolution of 4860
161 ($M/\Delta M$), sufficient to resolve Pb from known molecular interferences. A Nuclear Magnetic Resonance
162 (NMR) field sensor regulated the stability of the magnetic field to high precision. For analytical
163 sessions 1, 3 and 4 (Table B.1) the Pb isotopes were measured simultaneously in multi-collector mode
164 using four low-noise (< 0.006 counts per second) ion counting electron multipliers (Hamamatsu 416)
165 with electronically-gated deadtimes of 65 ns. Background counts for each channel were measured at
166 regular intervals during each session. The average background values are reported in Table B.2.
167 Individual analyses were filtered out of the final dataset if the count rates for any masses were lower
168 than $3\times$ the average background count rates during that session.

169 Analyses of the MPI-DING glass reference material, GOR132, and the USGS basaltic glass reference
170 material, BCR-2G, were used to generate a correction factor to account for mass fractionation and

171 detector relative gain calibration in the unknown analyses, assuming the values of Jochum et al. (2005)
172 and Woodhead and Hergt (2000). The correction procedure involved dividing each of the “accepted”
173 isotope ratios for GOR132 and BCR2-G (determined independently using MC-ICP-MS and TIMS
174 analyses, respectively; Jochum et al. 2005; Woodhead and Hergt 2000), by the corresponding average
175 of each ratio obtained from all standards in a given session in order to obtain a ratio-specific correction
176 factor that incorporates both mass bias (a few parts per thousand at Pb mass; Shimizu and Hart 1982)
177 and inter-detector (a few percent) gain (Table B.3.). Isotope ratios of unknown samples were then
178 corrected by multiplying by these factors. Within uncertainty limits, no systematic drift was observed
179 in the GOR132 and BCR2-G measurements during a given analytical session. The reproducibility of
180 the GOR132 measurements (for the MIL 13317 analyses) was as follows: $^{208}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb} = 0.30\%$;
181 $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb} = 0.28\%$; $^{208}\text{Pb}/^{204}\text{Pb} = 0.94\%$; $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{204}\text{Pb} = 0.74\%$; $^{206}\text{Pb}/^{204}\text{Pb} = 0.89\%$ (reported as 2σ
182 standard deviations from the session average values for each ratio). The equivalent values for the
183 BCR-2G measurements (two sessions for the Kal 009 analyses) were: $^{208}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb} = 0.77\%$ and 0.26% ;
184 $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb} = 1.00\%$ and 0.22% ; $^{208}\text{Pb}/^{204}\text{Pb} = 1.19\%$ and 0.73% ; $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{204}\text{Pb} = 1.24\%$ and 0.80% ;
185 $^{206}\text{Pb}/^{204}\text{Pb} = 0.68\%$ and 0.80% . The standard deviations obtained from the GOR132 and BCR2-G
186 analyses, the published uncertainties on the accepted values (Woodhead and Hergt 2000; Jochum et al.
187 2005) and the uncertainties on each unknown analysis were propagated to determine the overall
188 uncertainties of gain and mass bias corrected data, which are stated in Table B.1.

189 Data were processed using in-house SIMS data reduction spreadsheets and the Excel add-in Isoplot
190 (version 4.15; Ludwig 2008). Calculated ages are quoted at the 95% confidence level in the following
191 discussion.

192 **2.3. Data reduction**

193 The datasets were processed using the approach outlined in Snape et al. (2016), with the assumption
194 that they represent a mixture between three main components: (1) initial Pb present in the basaltic melt
195 when it crystallised; (2) radiogenic Pb formed by the decay of U in the basalt after crystallisation; and
196 (3) terrestrial contamination. On a plot of $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ and $^{204}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$, this three-component mixture

197 will define a triangular area (Fig. 3), with the initial Pb (or at least the lowest estimate for the initial Pb
198 available from the data) corresponding to the highest $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ values, the radiogenic Pb where
199 $^{204}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb} = 0$, and (Fig. 3), and the terrestrial contaminant corresponding to the highest $^{204}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$
200 values. Based on this assumption, the isochron for a given basaltic sample or clast is defined by the
201 left side of this triangle, which can be determined by iteratively filtering the data to yield the steepest
202 statistically significant weighted regression (i.e. MSWD < 2; probability > 0.1). For the MIL 13317
203 basaltic clasts, data interpreted as showing signs of terrestrial contamination, according to the three-
204 component mixing assumption, all have high weighted residual values (>1.5) when included in the
205 Isoplot regression calculation.

206 In the case of Kal 009, the lack of different late-stage mineral phases in the analysed thin sections
207 precludes the construction of an equivalent Pb-Pb isochron representing the crystallisation age of the
208 basalt. Nonetheless, a weighted average $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ age was determined from analyses of Ca-
209 phosphates in the sample assuming that the Pb isotopic compositions analysed in these phases
210 primarily represent the bottom left corner of the triangle described above (i.e. radiogenic Pb formed by
211 the decay of U in the basalt after crystallisation), and that any ^{204}Pb present is due to terrestrial
212 contamination, which was corrected for using the modern day terrestrial Pb model values of Stacey
213 and Kramers (1975). This is the same approach that has been demonstrated in numerous previous
214 studies on a variety of different samples (e.g. Terada and Sano 2003; Terada et al. 2007; Nemchin et
215 al. 2009; Thiessen et al. 2017).

216 **3. Results**

217 MIL 13317

218 The data from each clast in MIL 13317 (Table B.1.) were first filtered following the procedure
219 outlined above and described previously by Snape et al. (2016; 2017), in order to remove analyses
220 clearly affected by terrestrial contamination, potentially introduced by weathering prior to collection
221 of the meteorite, or during sample preparation and polishing (Fig. 3; Fig. A.4.; Table B.1). Notably,
222 the effects of such contamination are relatively minor, even when compared with some Apollo basalts

223 (Snape et al. 2016). When plotted on axes of $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ versus $^{204}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$, the effect of terrestrial
224 contamination is apparent, as it results in analyses lying further to the right of the more radiogenic
225 uncontaminated lunar compositions (Fig. 3; Fig. A.4.; Table B.1).

226 The data from the three basaltic clasts (Clasts 1, 4 and 10) and the granitic clast (Clast 22) form trends
227 equating to Pb-Pb isochron dates of approximately 4330 Ma (Table 1; Fig. 4). The data from these
228 individual clast isochrons can also be combined to form a single statistically valid (MSWD = 1.19; P =
229 0.17) isochron, equating to a date of 4332 ± 2 Ma (Table 1; Fig. 4f). In each of the three basaltic clasts
230 there also appears to be a single outlier (two analyses in Clast 4 were repeat measurements of the same
231 point to confirm the compositions; Table B.1) lying slightly above and left of the isochrons (Figs. 4a-
232 c). These outliers were excluded from the isochrons and the dates quoted here. Nonetheless, the most
233 radiogenic compositions determined in each of the basaltic clasts have sufficiently low $^{204}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$
234 ratios that including these outliers in the isochrons would not affect the isochron ages beyond the level
235 of uncertainty. An alternative isochron, incorporating these outliers, and equating to a date of 4330 ± 3
236 Ma (MSWD = 1.05; P = 0.40) is presented in supplementary Fig. A.5 (see also Table B.1). A
237 significantly younger Pb-Pb isochron date of 4270 ± 10 Ma is obtained for the basaltic impact melt clast
238 (Table 1; Fig. 4e).

239 In addition to having indistinguishable Pb-Pb isochron dates, the least radiogenic Pb isotopic
240 compositions measured in the three basaltic clasts are also similar (Table 1). As such, x-y weighted
241 average values were calculated using five plagioclase analyses (one from Clast 1 and two from both
242 Clast 4 and Clast 10), yielding a Pb isotopic composition of $^{204}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb} = 0.0251\pm 0.0023$, $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb} =$
243 1.596 ± 0.030 and $^{208}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb} = 1.339\pm 0.026$ (2σ) (Table 1; Fig. 4f). This is interpreted as providing the
244 best estimate (i.e. lowest possible value) for the initial Pb isotopic composition of the basaltic protolith
245 from which the clasts originated.

246 A majority of the matrix mineral grains analysed (K-rich glass and mesostasis areas) have
247 compositions consistent with being derived from the same basaltic precursor, albeit with varying
248 degrees of terrestrial contamination (Fig. 5; Table B.1). Two analyses of K-rich glass in the matrix

249 have significantly more radiogenic compositions, plotting above and left of the combined isochron for
250 the basalt clasts (Fig. 5a).

251 Plotting the $^{208}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ ratios against $^{204}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ and $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$, the filtered datasets for each of the
252 basalt clasts lie on a plane in the 3D coordinate space. Although the initial Pb compositions converge
253 at a $^{208}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ ratio of 1.344 ± 0.024 , the measurements of phases containing more Pb from *in situ*
254 radiogenic decay spread out, such that the purely radiogenic endmember compositions would be
255 between $^{208}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb} \sim 0.4\text{--}5.1$ (Figs. 6a-d). This range in radiogenic $^{208}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ ratios is interpreted as
256 variability in $^{232}\text{Th}/^{238}\text{U}$ ratios between different mineral phases within the samples. Taking the
257 crystallisation age of the basalt clasts into account, these $^{208}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ values would correspond to
258 $^{232}\text{Th}/^{238}\text{U}$ ratios of between $\sim 0.0\text{--}4.8$. A similar relationship is observed for the $^{208}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$, $^{204}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$
259 and $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ ratios in impact melt Clast 2, with the range of radiogenic $^{208}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ ratios (between
260 $\sim 0.4\text{--}7.0$; Fig. 6e) equating to $^{232}\text{Th}/^{238}\text{U}$ ratios of between $\sim 0.1\text{--}6.7$.

261 Kalahari 009

262 The five phosphates analysed in the Kal 009 thin sections with the most radiogenic compositions (i.e.
263 the lowest $^{204}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ and $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ ratios) yield a combined weighted average $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ date of
264 4369 ± 7 Ma (MSWD = 0.57; P = 0.68; Fig. 7), when corrected for the presence of terrestrial
265 contamination (assuming the modern day terrestrial Pb model values of Stacey and Kramers 1975).
266 Several measurements were also made of the Ca- and K-rich material filling fractures in the sections
267 and the K-rich ‘cauliflower-like’ structures identified by Sokol et al. (2008). The Pb isotopic
268 compositions from these measurements plot in the same vicinity as the Stacey and Kramers (1975)
269 model composition for modern terrestrial Pb. As such, the values from these Ca- and K-rich phases
270 can be combined with all but one of the phosphate analyses (phosphate analysis “@3” in section 2;
271 Table B1), to construct a weighted regression line (independent of the model value from Stacey and
272 Kramers 1975), which would also equate to a date of 4369 ± 7 Ma (MSWD = 0.41; P = 0.91; Fig. 8).
273 This weighted regression line would essentially represent the bottom edge of the three-component

274 mixing triangles described in the previous section (see also Fig. 3), with the outlier phosphate datum
275 lying within the mixing triangle for the Kal 009 sample.

276 **4. Discussion**

277 4.1. Interpretation of MIL 13317 isochrons

278 Given the crystalline nature of the MIL 13317 basalt clasts and the similarity in the Pb isotopic
279 compositions, the isochron dates are interpreted as representing the age of crystallisation for the
280 original igneous basalt protolith from which Clasts 1, 4, 10 and 22 were sourced. This 4332 ± 2 Ma
281 crystallisation age is slightly younger than the $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ dates (4352 ± 9 Ma) determined for
282 phosphate and tranquillityite grains in the meteorite by Shaulis et al. (2016). This either suggests that
283 the clasts originated from a separate igneous precursor to that of the previously analysed grains, or that
284 there is an inaccuracy with either the $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ dates or those derived from the Pb-Pb isochrons that
285 is not reflected in the stated uncertainties. One likely source of such inaccuracy in the $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ dates
286 would be an inappropriate correction of the $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ ratios for the presence of terrestrial
287 contamination if the analyses actually sampled small amounts of a lunar initial Pb component. Given
288 the very radiogenic nature of lunar Pb isotopic compositions (Snape et al. 2016) when compared with
289 those of terrestrial systems (Stacey and Kramers 1975; Zartman and Doe 1981; Kramers and
290 Tolstikhin 1997), correction of data with lunar Pb isotopic compositions will result in lower
291 $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ ratios and younger dates than if the data are corrected with terrestrial compositions (or if
292 they are not corrected at all). The Pb-Pb isochron approach used here to determine the crystallisation
293 ages of the MIL 13317 clasts bypasses the need for a correction with an assumed composition by
294 measuring multiple phases that include varying proportions of Pb generated by radiogenic decay of U
295 and Th since the rock first crystallised and lunar initial Pb. Therefore, it is possible that the grains
296 analysed by Shaulis et al. (2016) may in fact be slightly younger than the reported $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ dates
297 and closer to the crystallisation age inferred for the basaltic clasts based on the Pb-Pb isochrons.
298 Despite this caveat regarding the $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ dates, analyses of matrix baddeleyite grain by Curran et
299 al. (in review) made on the same CAMECA IMS 1280 instrument with a similar methodology to this
300 study, yield compositions lying just above the combined basaltic clast isochron (Fig. 5b), indicating

301 that there may indeed be a separate slightly older igneous precursor that has been sampled by the
302 meteorite, but which is less well preserved than the basalt clasts.

303 The more radiogenic outlying analyses from each of the clasts (those positioned above and left of the
304 basalt clast isochrons) are interpreted as contamination from a KREEP-rich lunar component in the
305 breccia matrix, which occurred during alteration of the basaltic clasts, most likely as a result of an
306 impact. This could also provide a potential source for the radiogenic compositions measured in two of
307 the K-rich glass grains, and would also be consistent with preliminary studies of the meteorite
308 geochemistry indicating that some proportion of the matrix material originated from a more KREEP-
309 rich lithology (Zeigler and Korotev 2016). Furthermore, petrologic evidence of such alteration in the
310 basalt clasts exists in the form of melt veins which cross-cut the other phases in the clasts (Fig. 9a),
311 and post-analysis SEM and EDS mapping imagery of the SIMS spots indicate the presence of small
312 (sub-micron) Zr-rich phases (Fig. 9b-c).

313 The 4270 ± 10 Ma isochron date determined for the basaltic impact melt Clast 2 is similar to dates
314 obtained for phosphate and baddeleyite grains in the matrix of the meteorite by Shaulis et al. (2016).
315 Although this younger date was interpreted by Shaulis et al. (2016) as the crystallisation age of a
316 younger igneous protolith, the association with an impact melt clast indicates that it may, in fact,
317 represent an impact event. It is not clear if the location of this clast, adjacent to Clast 10, is
318 coincidental or indicates that the impact melt was generated by melting of the same basaltic material,
319 but there is no clear evidence in the Pb isotopic compositions of the two clasts to argue against such a
320 petrogenetic link.

321 4.2. Initial Pb composition of MIL 13317 basalt

322 The basalt crystallisation age and best estimate for the initial Pb isotopic composition determined from
323 the clasts in MIL 13317 have been compared with the multiple stage model for the Pb isotopic
324 evolution of lunar silicate reservoirs in the Moon presented by Snape et al. (2016) (Fig. 10). This
325 model was calculated using the measured initial Pb isotopic compositions and ages of several Apollo
326 mare and KREEP basalts, with the assumption that these could be formed from a common source (i.e.

327 undifferentiated bulk Moon). In the context of this model the bulk Moon evolved from a primitive,
328 Canyon Diablo Troilite (CDT), composition until 4376 ± 18 Ma. At this point, the model indicates that
329 there was a major differentiation event (t_1 in Fig. 10a), resulting in the formation of mantle sources
330 with distinct $^{238}\text{U}/^{204}\text{Pb}$ ratios (μ_2 -values), from which the lunar KREEP and mare basalts were
331 sourced. The timing of this differentiation event is also consistent with Sm-Nd model ages (4360 ± 60
332 Ma: Lugmair and Carlson 1978; 4320_{-56}^{+40} Ma: Nyquist et al. 1995; 4389 ± 45 Ma: Gaffney and Borg
333 2014) and Lu-Hf isotopic model ages (4350 - 4430 Ma: Sprung et al. 2013; 4353 ± 37 Ma: Gaffney and
334 Borg 2014; ~ 4340 Ma: McLeod et al. 2014). After 4376 ± 18 Ma, the mantle sources of the mare
335 basalts evolved with μ_2 -values of 360-650, while the sources of the KREEP basalts had μ_2 -values of
336 approximately 2600-3700. This model is inevitably a simplification of lunar mantle differentiation,
337 which almost certainly would not have occurred as a single instantaneous event, with some of the
338 mantle sources forming earlier (such as the mafic cumulates from which the mare basalts originated).
339 As was discussed by Snape et al. (2016), the model differentiation point most likely provides an
340 average approximation for the final stages of LMO crystallisation, including the formation of the
341 anorthositic highland crust and the KREEP-rich reservoir (urKREEP: Warren and Wasson 1979).
342 Despite previous attempts to constrain source μ -values and formation times for the anorthositic crust
343 (e.g. Premo et al. 1999), it is not possible to resolve these different stages of LMO crystallisation in the
344 framework of this model without more unambiguous measurements of initial Pb isotopic compositions
345 for the primary products of these processes (i.e. pristine ferroan anorthosite samples).

346 The initial Pb isotopic composition determined for the three basaltic clasts in MIL 13317 is consistent
347 with the model growth curves previously predicted for the sources of Apollo basalts (Snape et al.
348 2016; Fig. 10), and the similarity in time and composition with the predicted differentiation point
349 provides valuable support for the model. Unfortunately, this similarity with the model differentiation
350 composition also means that the μ -value for the source of the basalt clasts cannot be estimated with the
351 same level of precision as those for the basalts in the Snape et al. (2016) study, as the MIL 13317
352 basalt composition lies at a point in the model where the growth curves for the different reservoirs are
353 very close together. Nonetheless, assuming that the source of the basalts began to evolve from the

354 model composition at 4376 ± 18 Ma ($^{204}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb} = 0.036 \pm 0.004$; $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb} = 1.59 \pm 0.02$), then it would
355 have evolved with a μ -value of 920 ± 350 (2σ). As such, the source of the MIL 13317 basalts appears to
356 have been more similar to those of relatively KREEP-poor Apollo mare basalts than KREEP-rich
357 samples (including the Apollo 14 high-Al basalt, 14072, and the Apollo 15 KREEP basalt, 15386).
358 This is consistent with mineral chemistries of the pyroxene and plagioclase grains in Clasts 1 and 4
359 reported by Curran et al. (2016), which were found to be similar to those from VLT and low-Ti Apollo
360 mare basalts.

361 4.3. Interpretation of Kalahari 009 data

362 The 4369 ± 7 Ma date determined for the phosphates in Kal 009 is consistent with the previous
363 phosphate U-Pb date of 4350 ± 150 Ma (Terada et al. 2007) and the Lu-Hf date of 4286 ± 95 Ma (Sokol
364 et al. 2008), and slightly older than the Sm-Nd date (4300 ± 50 Ma) determined by Shih et al. (2008).
365 Following the earlier discussion regarding correction of $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ ratios (Section 4.1), the case for
366 correcting the Kal 009 phosphate data with a modern day terrestrial Pb model composition is
367 supported by the fact that the phosphate Pb isotopic compositions (including those measured by
368 Terada et al. 2007) and those of the terrestrial weathering products in the sections lie on a regression
369 line, which passes through the Stacey and Kramers (1975) model composition for modern terrestrial
370 Pb. The single phosphate measurement that falls above the regression line (Fig. 8a) is interpreted as
371 containing the highest measured proportion of a lunar initial Pb component, but without more
372 measurements that can be confidently ascribed to this component it is not possible to place any
373 compositional constraint on an initial lunar Pb component.

374 Terada et al. (2007) interpreted their U-Pb phosphate date as representing the crystallisation age of the
375 Kal 009 basalt. In contrast to this interpretation, the potential for resetting of the U-Pb isotope system
376 in phosphates (Cherniak et al. 1991; Chamberlain and Bowring 2001) has been previously taken
377 advantage of for dating the thermal history of lunar impact breccias (e.g. Nemchin et al. 2009;
378 Thiessen et al. 2017; 2018). The brecciated nature of Kal 009 raises the possibility that the Pb isotopic
379 compositions of the phosphates may be recording an impact event that occurred after the basalt

380 originally crystallised. Without measurements of phases that are known to be more resistant to
381 resetting of their U-Pb systems (e.g. zircon; Cherniak et al. 1991), it is impossible to be sure from the
382 Pb isotope data alone that the 4369 ± 7 Ma date is indeed an igneous crystallisation age, although it is
383 clear that the VLT basalt sampled by Kal 009 must have erupted by this time. Furthermore, the
384 consistency with the Sm-Nd and Lu-Hf ages provides additional support for this representing the
385 crystallisation age of the basalt.

386 4.4. Ancient lunar volcanism

387 These new estimates for the ages of the basaltic material sampled by MIL 13317 and Kal 009,
388 combined with the distinct compositions of this basaltic material (Sokol et al. 2008; Zeigler and
389 Korotev 2016; Curran et al. 2016), support the findings from remote sensing studies of cryptomare
390 deposits (Whitten and Head 2015a), that ancient basaltic volcanism of the Moon produced range of
391 basalt compositions, potentially mirroring that seen in the younger (3800-3000 Ma) mare basalts.
392 Sokol et al. (2008) cited the low-ITE compositions of Kal 009 and its likely pair, Kal 008, as evidence
393 that the meteorites originated from lunar regolith far from the KREEP-rich lithologies of the nearside
394 Procellarum-KREEP Terrane (Jollif et al. 2000). By comparison, the preliminary studies of MIL
395 13317 indicate that the breccia likely originated from a regolith with a KREEP component (Zeigler
396 and Korotev 2016). Therefore, these meteorites also provide evidence of ancient lunar basaltic
397 volcanism occurring in different regions on the Moon.

398 The low-ITE abundances in Kal 009 suggest that the basalt parent magma did not assimilate any
399 KREEP-rich material during ascent to the lunar surface. This was previously interpreted as evidence
400 that either the urKREEP reservoir was not present as a global layer around the crust-mantle boundary
401 of the Moon, or that the urKREEP reservoir had not formed prior to the Kal 009 magmatism (Terada
402 et al. 2007). Seeing as the age of Kal 009 (4369 ± 7 Ma) is within error of the Pb model differentiation
403 age (4376 ± 18 Ma; Snape et al. 2016), both of these options remain viable explanations for the low-
404 ITE abundances in the meteorite.

405 Finally, the occurrence of basaltic volcanism so early in the evolution of the Moon necessitates that
406 there was a mechanism to trigger this magmatic activity almost immediately after LMO crystallisation.
407 Terada et al. (2007) reviewed previous models for lunar basaltic magmatism (Shearer et al. 2006) in
408 relation to Kal 009. They concluded that the low-ITE abundances in the Kal 009 basalt argued against
409 internal heating and melting of the mantle cumulates by radioactive elements present in the source
410 (Wieczorek and Phillips 2000), and that models for large-scale gravitationally driven overturn of the
411 lunar mantle causing mare magmatism several hundred million years after LMO crystallisation (e.g.
412 Hess and Parmentier 1995) were difficult to reconcile with the age of the Kal 009 basalt. This second
413 argument, in particular, is further emphasized by the more precise dating of the meteorite, which
414 places it towards the older end of the age range provided by the previous U-Pb and Lu-Hf studies
415 (Terada et al. 2007; Sokol et al. 2008), and a similar argument can be made regarding the age of the
416 MIL 13317 basalts (4332 ± 2 Ma). Additionally, despite the presence of KREEP-rich material in the
417 regolith that formed the MIL 13317 breccia, the initial Pb isotopic compositions and associated μ -
418 values of the basaltic clasts indicate an absence of significant amounts of ITE- or KREEP-rich
419 material in the sources of the MIL 13317 basaltic components. Having argued against these two
420 mechanisms, Terada et al. (2007) proposed that impact driven melting of the lunar mantle (Elkins-
421 Tanton et al. 2004) provided the most likely mechanism for generating the Kal 009 basaltic magma. If
422 this is the case, then the distinct ages of the basalts identified in these two meteorites suggest that this
423 was not an isolated incident in the Moon's magmatic evolution.

424 **5. Conclusions**

425 The Pb isotopic data presented in this study confirm the ancient ages of basaltic material in the MIL
426 13317 (4332 ± 2 Ma) and Kal 009 (4369 ± 7 Ma) meteorites (Terada et al. 2007; Sokol et al. 2008;
427 Shaulis et al. 2016). Additionally, the MIL 13317 meteorite provides evidence of an impact event at
428 4270 ± 10 Ma, based on the age determined for a basaltic impact melt clast. It was also possible to
429 determine an initial Pb isotopic composition for the basalt clasts in MIL 13317, which is consistent
430 with the Pb isotope evolution model of the Moon previously presented by Snape et al. (2016). Based
431 on this initial Pb isotopic composition, the source of the MIL 13317 basalt appears to have evolved

432 with a μ -value of 850 ± 280 , more consistent with many of the Apollo mare basalts, rather than
433 KREEP-rich lithologies.

434 The basaltic material in the MIL 13317 and Kal 009 meteorites provides evidence of the earliest
435 known basaltic lunar volcanism. Based on the compositions of the meteorites, this early volcanic
436 activity appears to have generated a range of basalt varieties in different locations on the Moon. These
437 new Pb isotopic data and crystallisation ages are consistent with the hypothesis that large basin
438 forming impacts on the Moon could have led to multiple periods of ancient basaltic magmatism
439 (Elkins-Tanton et al. 2004; Terada et al. 2007).

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611 **Figure captions**

612 Figure 1. – (a) Back Scattered Electron (BSE) image of the MIL 13317,7 thin section with the clasts
613 analysed in this study annotated. More detailed images of the individual clasts are provided in panels
614 (b-e). Plag – plagioclase; Pyx – pyroxene; Sil – silica.

615 Figure 2. – Back Scattered Electron (BSE) images of typical textures in the Kal 009 meteorite. The
616 dashed line in panel (a) indicates the approximate boundary between an area of more well preserved
617 igneous texture and the more common brecciated texture in the meteorite, where the phosphates
618 analysed in this study were located. The effects of terrestrial weathering and contamination are
619 apparent in veins and fractures throughout the sample, which are commonly filled with either Ca-rich
620 material (BSE image and corresponding Ca X-ray element map in panels (b-c)) or K-rich material
621 (BSE image and corresponding K X-ray element map in panels (d-e)). Note, the brightest areas in the
622 BSE images are the remnants of gold coating from previous SIMS analyses present in cracks and
623 divots in the sections.

624 Figure 3. – $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ vs. $^{204}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ plots of the complete datasets from (a) the four basaltic clasts
625 and (b) the impact melt clast in MIL 13317. The grey triangles represent the predicted range of
626 compositions that would result from three-component mixing between the initial Pb isotopic
627 compositions of the rocks, the more radiogenic Pb generated by the decay of U after the rocks formed
628 and a terrestrial contaminant (represented here with the model composition of modern terrestrial Pb
629 presented by Stacey and Kramers 1975; “S+K”). Analyses (plotted in partially transparent symbols)
630 lying to the right of sample isochron (i.e. the left side of the triangle) and within this mixing triangle
631 are filtered out as containing significant amounts of terrestrial contamination.

632 Figure 4. – $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ vs. $^{204}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ plots of the filtered data sets for the MIL 13317 basalt clasts (a-
633 e). A combined isochron and initial Pb isotopic composition was generated for the four basaltic clasts
634 with ages of ~4330 Ma (f). Error bars represent 2σ uncertainties and uncertainties for the isochron
635 dates are stated at the 95% confidence level.

636 Figure 5. – (a) $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ vs. $^{204}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ plot of data from the MIL 13317 matrix grains. An expanded
637 plot of the most radiogenic compositions is shown in panel (b). Error bars represent 2σ uncertainties.
638 The combined isochron for the four ~4330 Ma basaltic clasts in the sample (see Fig. 3) has also been
639 indicated for comparison with the matrix grain compositions. The matrix phosphate, baddeleyite and
640 zircon data are from Curran et al. (in review). Error bars represent 2σ uncertainties.

641 Figure 6. – $^{208}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ vs. $^{204}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ plots of the filtered data sets for the five MIL 13317 basalt
642 clasts. Grey triangular fields mark the range of compositions in each sample. Error bars represent 2σ
643 uncertainties.

644 Figure 7. – $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ ages for phosphate grains in Kal 009. The ages were calculated from $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$
645 ratios corrected for the presence terrestrial Pb, using the model composition of Stacey and Kramers
646 (1975). Box heights represent 2σ uncertainties.

647 Figure 8. – (a) $^{204}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ vs. $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ plot of data from Kal 009. A regression through the majority
648 of the analyses equates to an age of 4369 ± 7 Ma (95% conf.), while a single outlying phosphate
649 analysis (partially transparent symbol) would lie within a mixing triangle between the initial Pb
650 composition of the basalt, the radiogenic Pb from decay of U after the basalt crystallised and a
651 terrestrial contaminant. (b) The data collected in this study have been compared with the Stacey and
652 Kramers (1975) model composition for modern day terrestrial Pb (S+K) and the phosphate analyses
653 previously made by Terada et al. (2007). Error bars represent 2σ uncertainties. Note that, despite
654 falling on the regression line through the sample data points, the Stacey and Kramers (1975) model
655 value was not included in the calculation of this line, but its inclusion in this plot demonstrates why
656 equivalent age estimates for Kal 009 are obtained from both this regression and the weighted average
657 of the terrestrial common Pb corrected phosphate $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ ages

658 Figure 9. – (a) BSE image of the Clast 1 boundary (dashed white line) with breccia matrix in MIL
659 13317. Vein originating from the matrix and penetrating into the clast is indicated with white arrows.
660 (b) BSE image showing the location of SIMS spot (dashed white ellipse) in Clast 4 of MIL 13317,
661 which provided radiogenic outlier K-rich glass composition. A BSE-bright fleck of Zr-rich material

662 was identified in the SIMS target area, in addition to a number of other compositional heterogeneities
663 and a nearby vein, which are apparent in the element maps of the area (c-e).

664 Figure 10. – (a) Schematic chart outlining the multi-stage Pb isotopic evolution model of Snape et al.
665 (2016), the solid arrows indicate the stages represented in the model calculations. (b) Initial Pb
666 isotopic composition of the MIL 13317 basalt clasts compared with the model of Snape et al. (2016).
667 The model is calculated assuming lunar formation at 4500 Ma and a primitive starting composition of
668 Canyon Diablo Troilite (CDT; Göpel et al. 1985). In the model, an undifferentiated bulk Moon with a
669 μ_1 -value of ~ 460 evolves until 4376 ± 18 Ma. The mantle sources of the main Apollo basaltic suites can
670 all be modelled as originated from the model differentiation composition with distinct μ_2 -values. The
671 initial Pb isotopic compositions of the Apollo 11 high-Ti basalt 10044, Apollo 12 low-Ti basalts
672 12038, 12039 and 12063, the KREEP-rich Apollo 14 high-Al basalts 14072 and the KREEP basalt
673 15386 have also been plotted for comparison (data originally presented in Snape et al. 2016). (c)
674 Focusing just on the region between the model differentiation point at 4376 ± 18 Ma and the MIL
675 13317 basalts, the μ_2 -value (920 ± 350 ; 2σ) necessary to form this composition within the model
676 framework, would have been more similar to that attributed to the Apollo mare basalt sources than that
677 of the high- μ KREEP basalt sources. Error bars and the Pb growth curve fields represent 2σ
678 uncertainties.

679 Table 1 – Summary of the $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ isochron dates determined for each of the basalt clasts in MIL
680 13317, as well as the combined isochron for the basalt clasts (Clasts 1, 4, 10 and 22). Also included
681 are the best estimates for the initial Pb isotopic composition of the clasts, where it was possible to
682 determine one. Uncertainties for the isochron dates are stated at the 95% confidence level.

683 **Supplementary material**

684 **Appendix A – Supplementary Figures**

685 Figure A.1. – Back Scattered Electron (BSE) maps of the MIL 13317,7 (a) and the Kal 009 (b-c) thin
686 sections analysed in this study.

687 Figure A.2. – Pyroxene compositions of Kal 009 (Sokol et al. 2008) compared with those of Apollo 12
688 (Boyd and Smith 1971; Dence et al. 1971; Weill et al. 1971; Hollister et al. 1971; Keil et al. 1971;
689 Shearer et al. 1989; Alexander et al. 2014) and 15 (Walker et al. 1977) low-Ti basalts, as well as those
690 in VLT gabbro MIL 05035 (Joy et al. (2008).

691 Figure A.3. – Plagioclase compositions of Kal 009 (Sokol et al. 2008) compared with those of Apollo
692 12 low-Ti basalts (Taylor et al. 1971; Keil et al. 1971; Crawford et al. 1973; Alexander et al. 2014)
693 and VLT gabbro MIL 05035 (Joy et al. (2008).

694 Figure A.4. – Complete datasets from the MIL 13317 clasts plotted to show the data that were filtered
695 out to generate the isochrons for each clast.

696 Figure A.5. – Alternative isochron (black dashed line) for the basaltic clasts in MIL 13317
697 incorporating the outlier compositions described in the main text. Note that the resulting isochron date
698 (4330 ± 3 Ma; MSWD = 1.05; P = 0.4) is within error of the combined basalt clast isochron presented
699 in the main text (indicated here by the grey dashed line), primarily due to the very low $^{204}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$
700 ratios of the most radiogenic analyses (i.e. those with the lowest $^{204}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ and $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ ratios). An
701 expanded plot of the most radiogenic analyses has been included in panel (b) for extra clarity.

702 **Appendix B – Supplementary Tables**

703 Table B.1. – Complete SIMS datasets.

704 Table B.2. – Average electron multiplier background levels for each analytical session.

705 Table B.3. – Average measured values of the GOR 132-G and BCR-2G reference materials during
706 each analytical session.

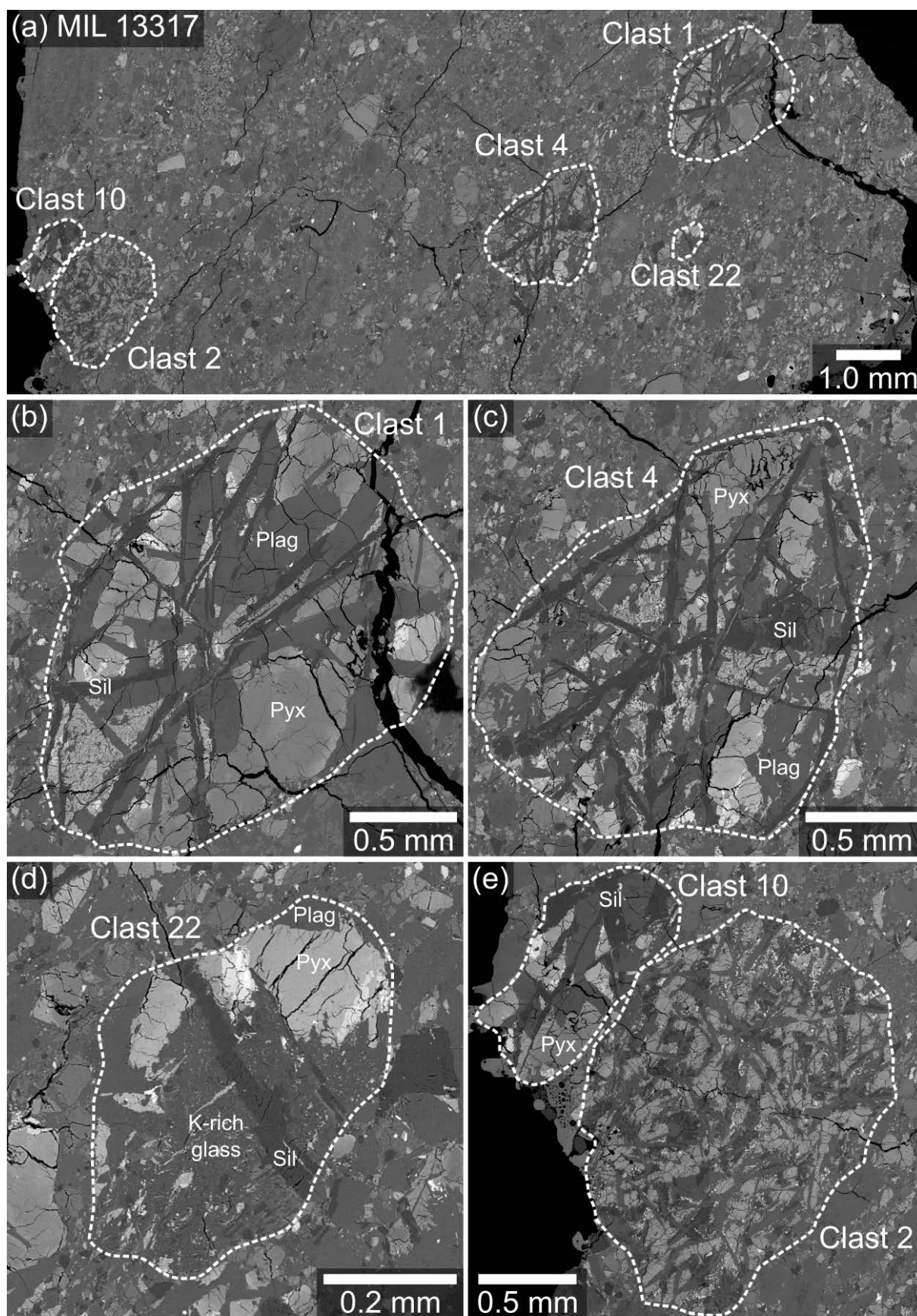


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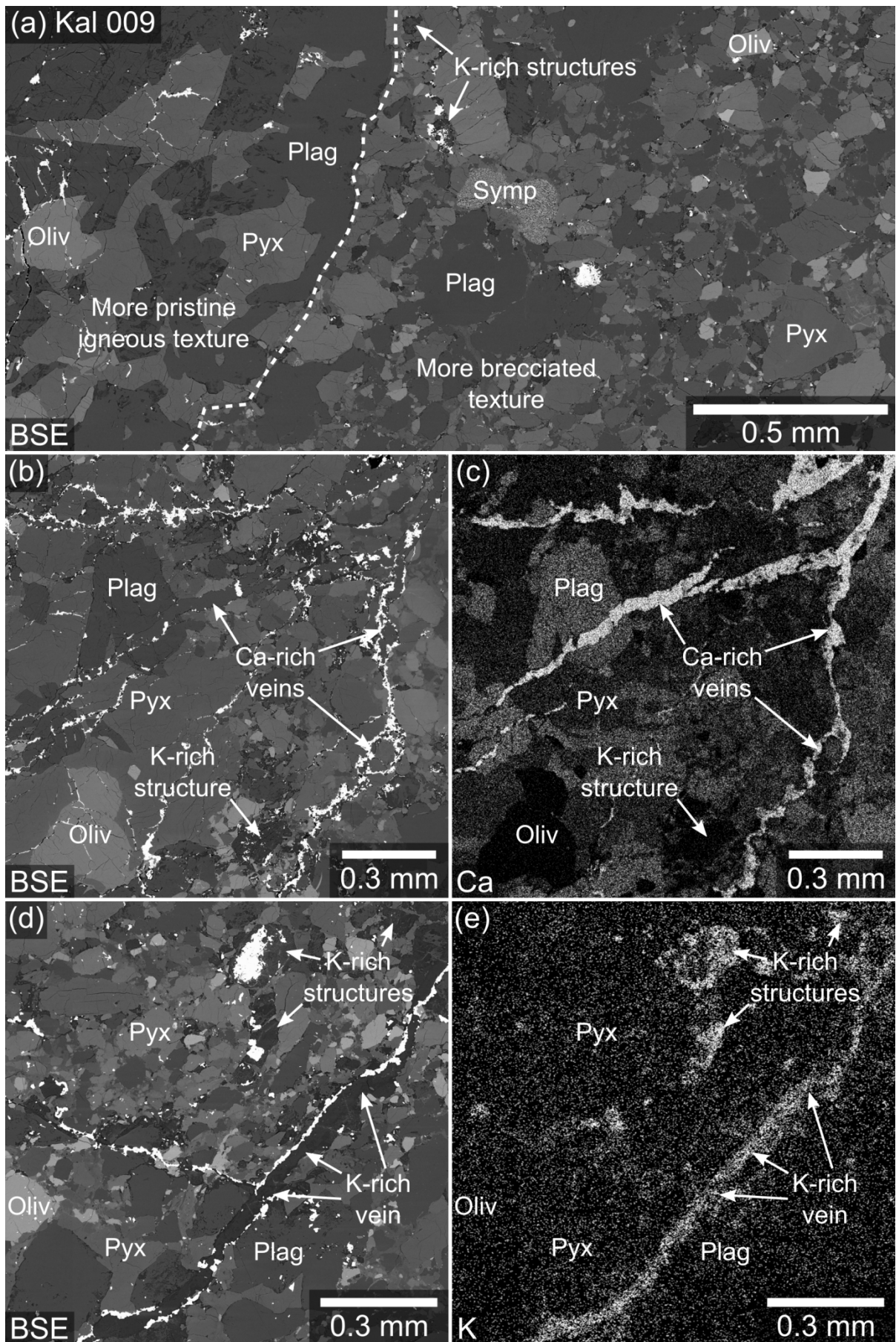


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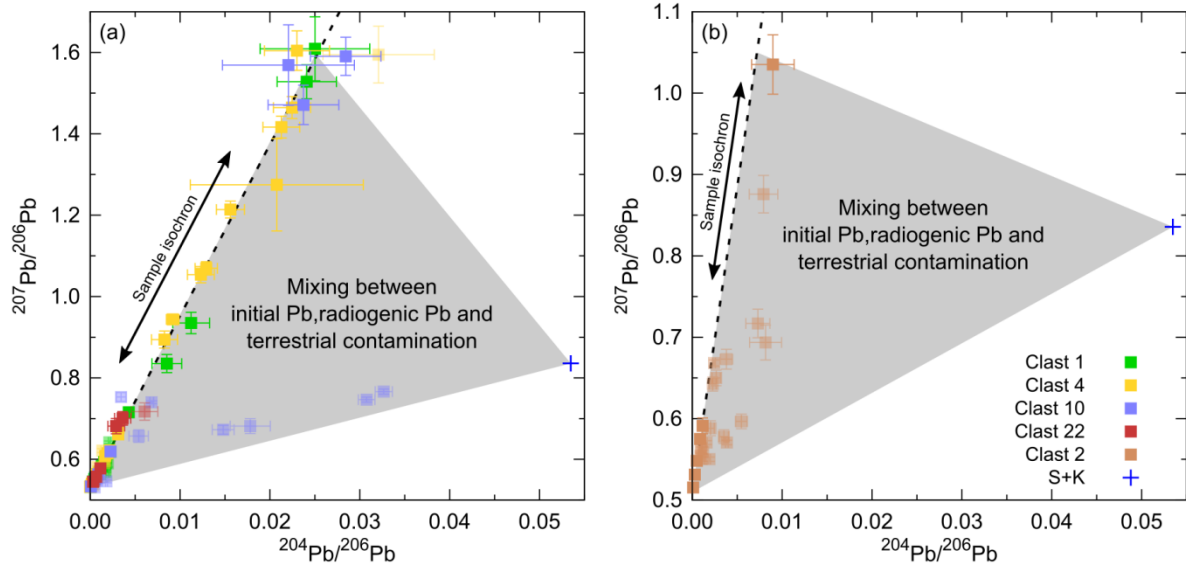


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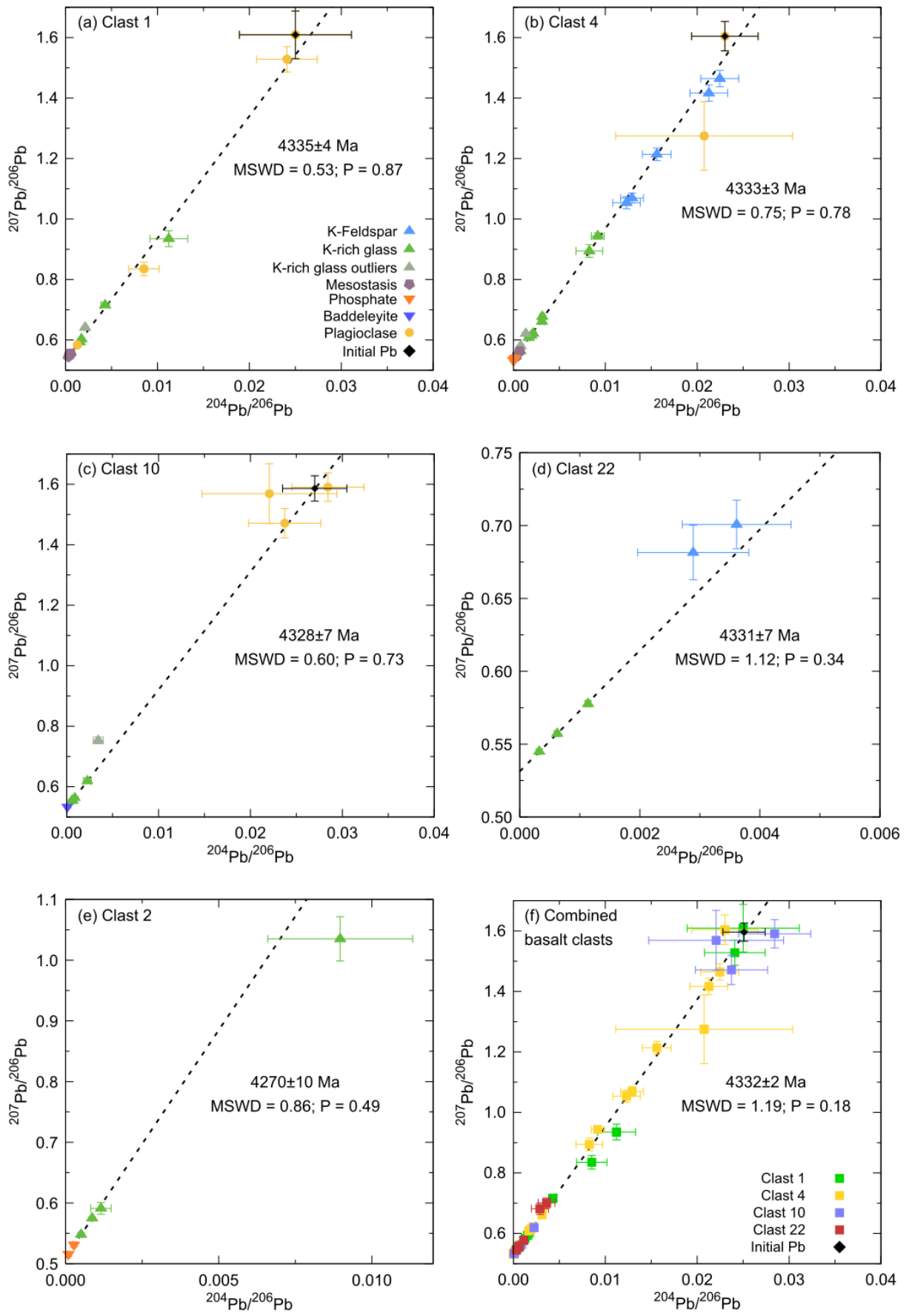


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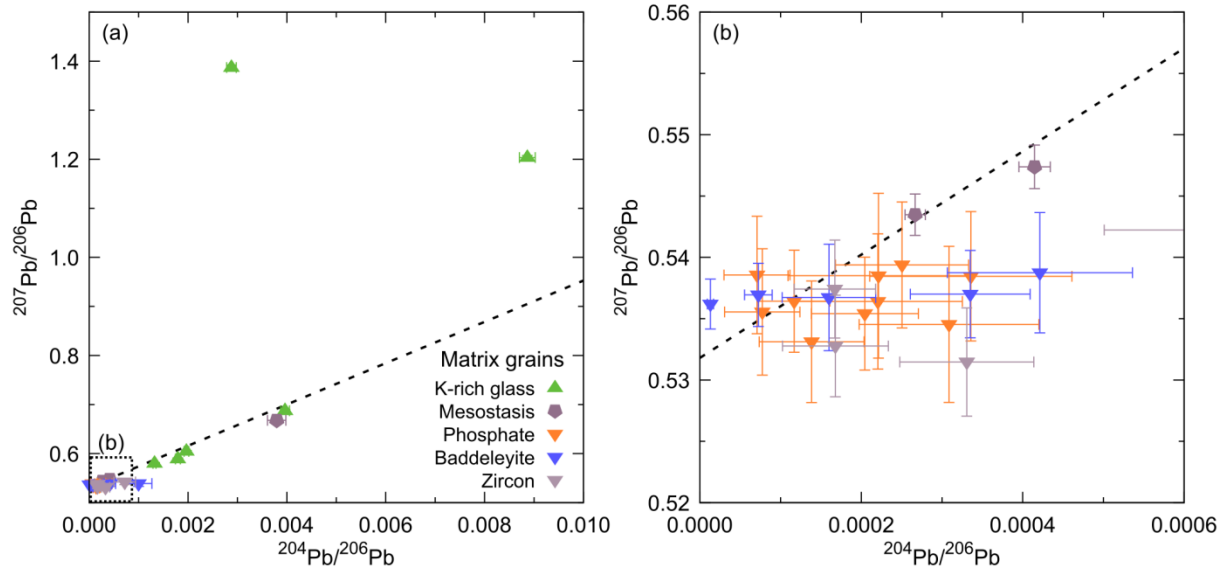


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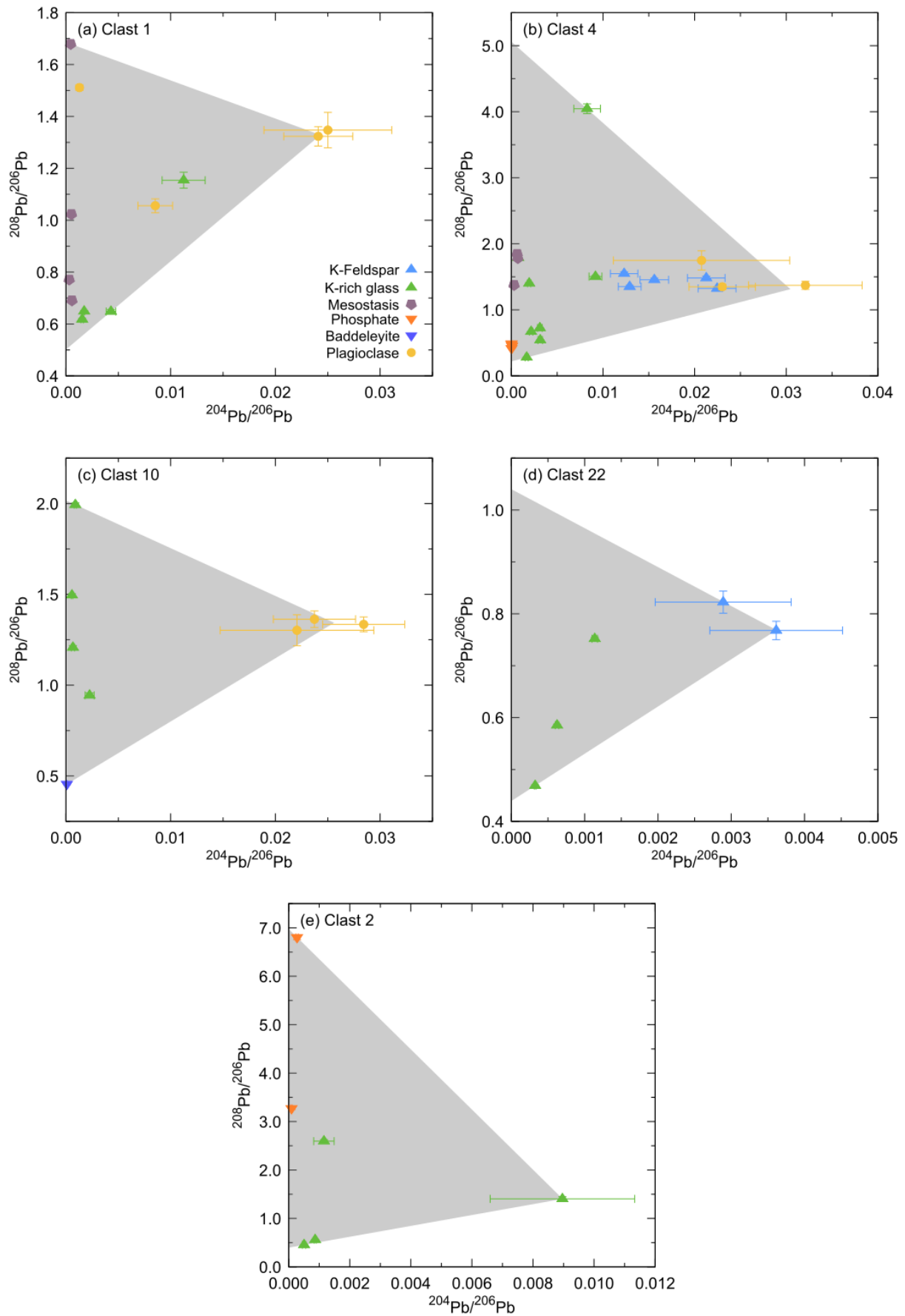


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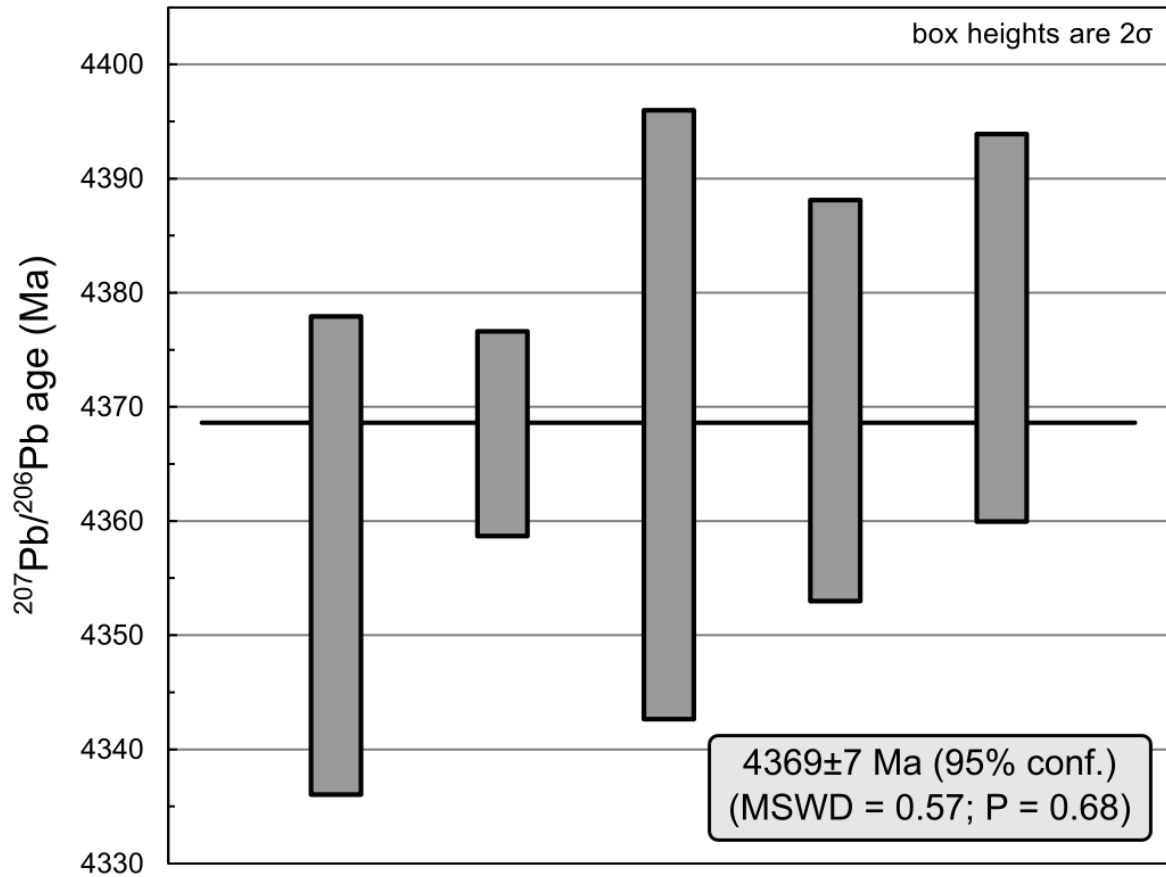


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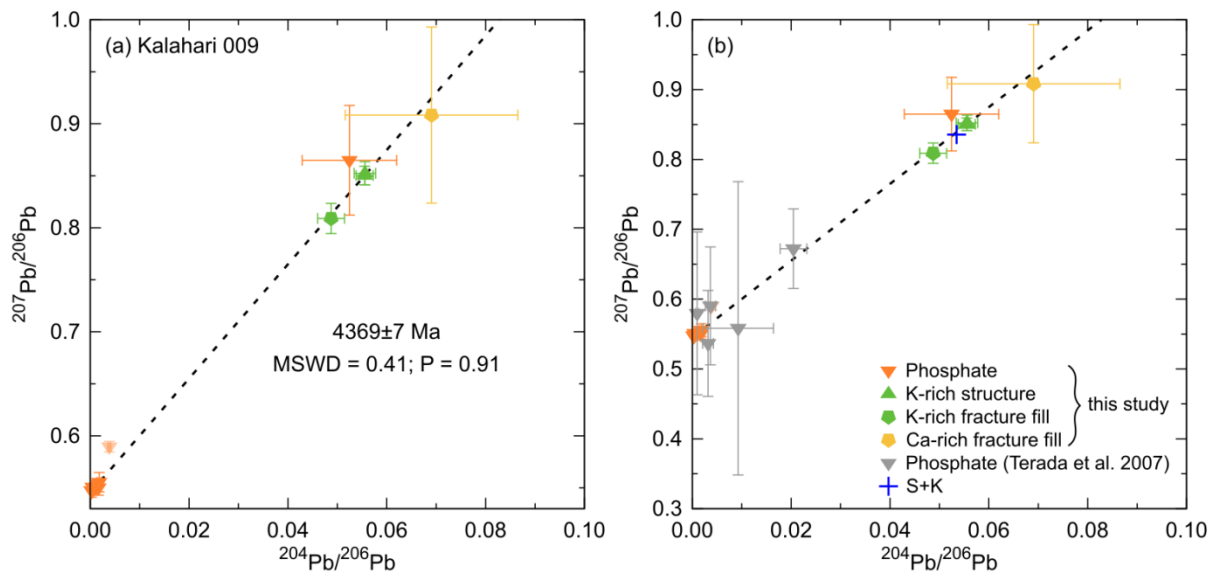


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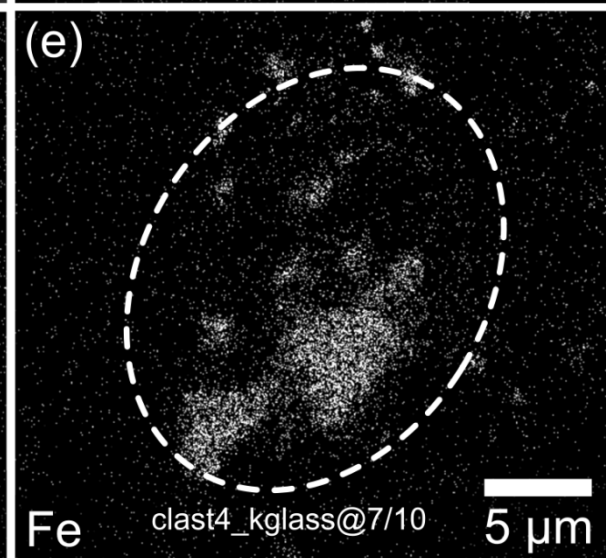
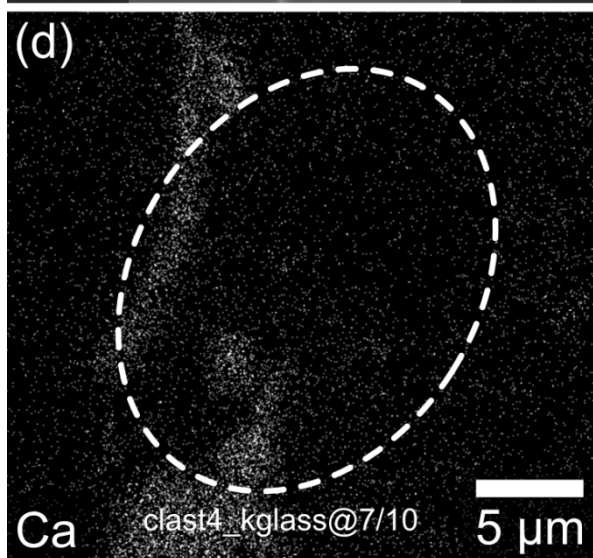
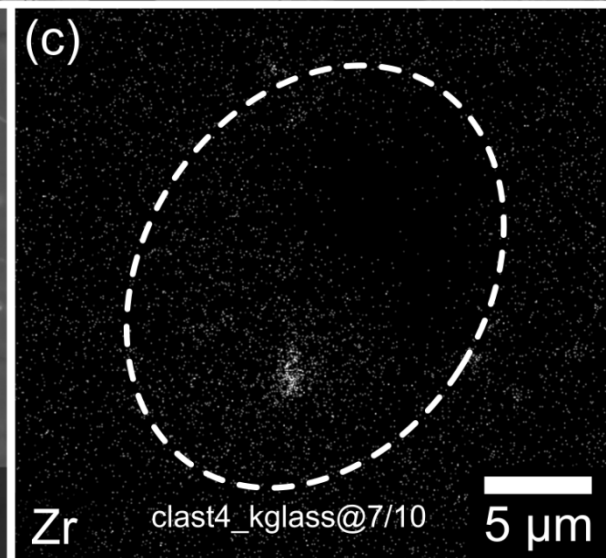
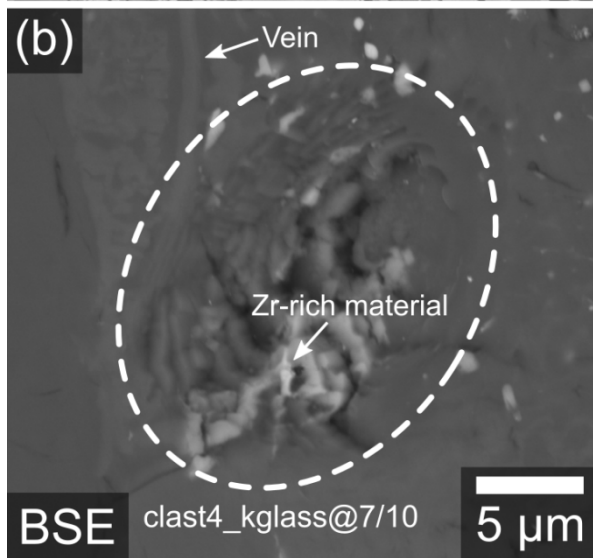
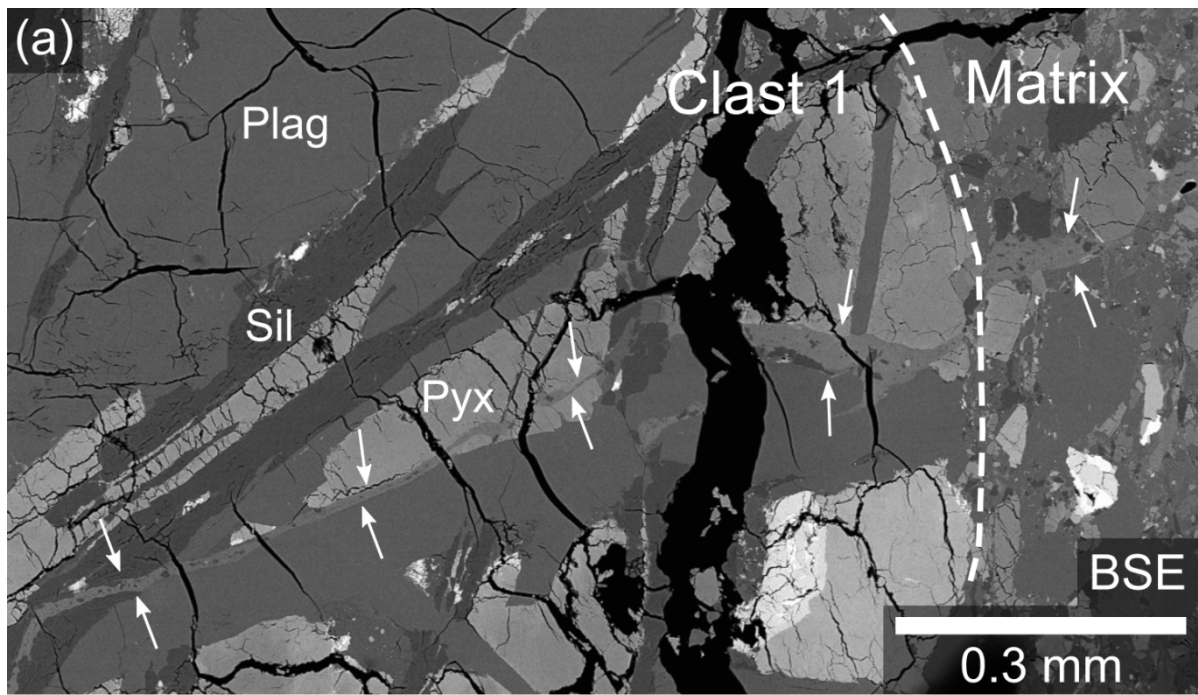


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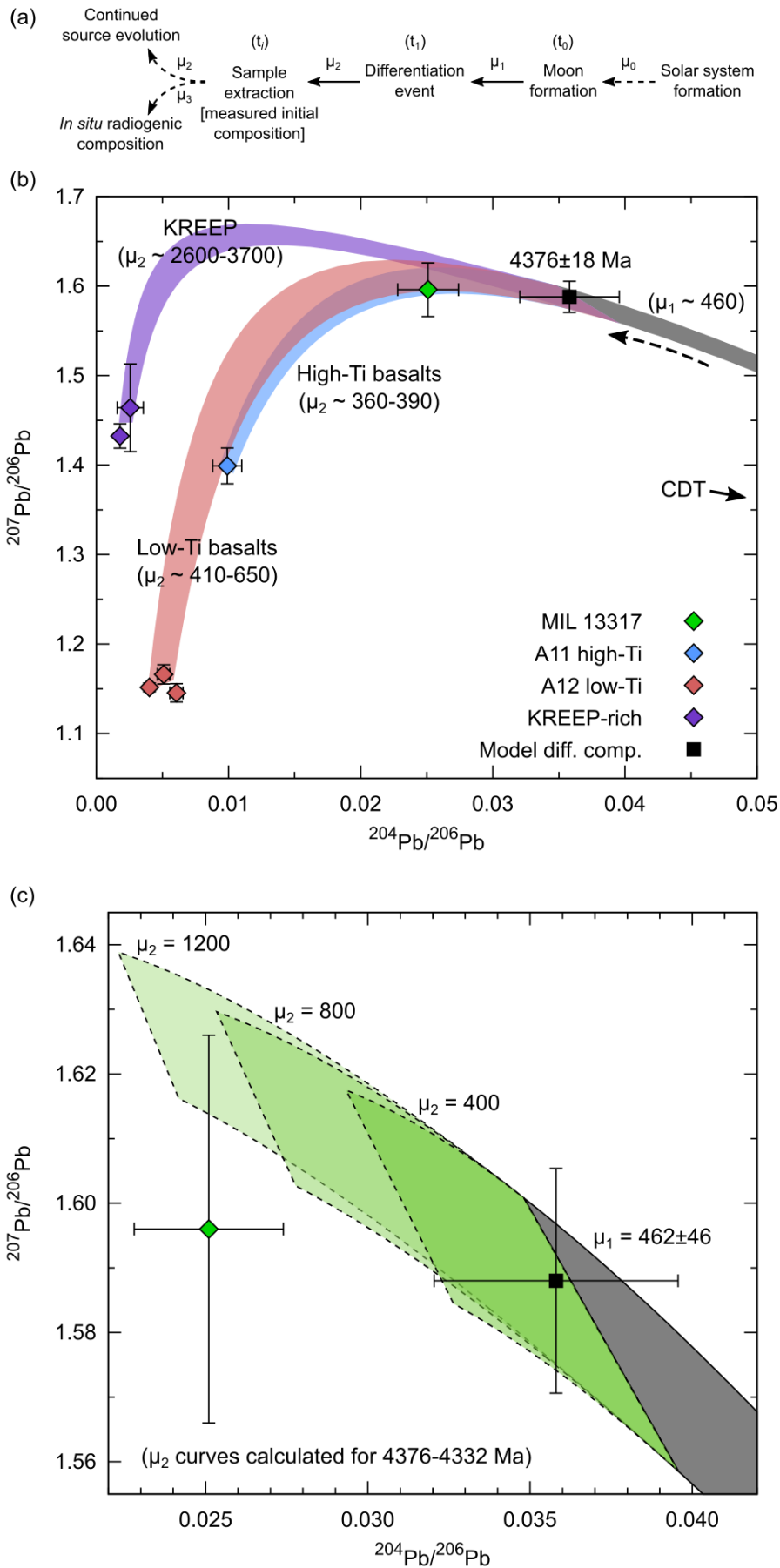


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Table 1

	²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²⁰⁶ Pb isochron date (Ma)	Isochron details			Initial Pb is	
		±	MSWD	Probability of fit	²⁰⁴ Pb/ ²⁰⁶ Pb	±2σ
Clast 1	4335	4	0.53	0.87	0.025	0.006
Clast 4	4333	3	0.75	0.78	0.027	0.004
Clast 10	4328	7	0.60	0.73	0.025	0.003
Clast 22	4331	7	1.12	0.34		
Clast 2	4270	10	0.86	0.49		
Combined basaltic clasts	4332	2	1.19	0.18	0.025	0.002

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