

Hydrogen Incorporation in Natural Mantle Olivines

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Constraints on water storage capacity and actual content in the mantle must be derived not only from experimental studies, but also from investigation of natural samples. Olivine is one of the best-studied, OH-bearing “nominally anhydrous” minerals, yet there remain multiple hypotheses for the incorporation mechanism of hydrogen in this phase. Moreover, there is still debate as to whether the mechanism is the same in natural samples vs. experimental studies, where concentrations can reach very high values (up to ~0.6 wt% H₂O) at high pressures and temperatures. We present new observations and review IR and TEM data from the literature that bear on this question. Hydrogen incorporation in natural olivine clearly occurs by multiple mechanisms, but in contrast to some previous assertions we find that there are strong similarities between the IR signatures of experimentally annealed olivines and most natural samples. At low pressures (lower than ~2 GPa) in both experiments and natural olivines, hydrogen incorporation might be dominated by a humite-type defect, but the nature of the defect may vary even within a single sample; possibilities include point defects, planar defects and optically detectable inclusions. IR bands between 3300 and 3400 cm⁻¹, ascribed previously to the influence of silica activity, are apparently related instead to increased oxygen fugacity. At higher pressures in experiments, the IR band structure changes and hydrogen is probably associated with disordered point defects. Similar IR spectra are seen in olivines from xenoliths derived from deeper parts of the mantle (below South Africa and the Colorado Plateau) as well as in olivines from the ultra-high pressure metamorphic province of the Western Gneiss Region in Norway.

1. INTRODUCTION

The existence of structurally bound hydroxide (OH) groups in natural olivine crystals was established by spectroscopic investigation over 35 years ago [Beran, 1969]. The importance of nominally anhydrous minerals such as olivine as storage sites for water (in the form of trace amounts

of hydrogen) in the mantle was suggested soon thereafter [Martin and Donnay, 1972]. This hypothesis is now widely accepted, largely as a result of work on natural samples [e.g., Beran and Putnis, 1983; Miller *et al.*, 1987; Bell and Rossman, 1992] as well as experimental studies at high pressures and temperatures [e.g., Mackwell *et al.*, 1985; Bai and Kohlstedt, 1992; 1993; Kohlstedt *et al.*, 1996]. Several review papers are now available on this topic [Rossman, 1996; Ingrin and Skogby, 2000; Bolfan-Casanova, 2005]. As testified to by the papers in this volume, it is also now recognized by workers in multiple disciplines across Earth science that trace amounts of hydrogen can profoundly affect a variety of geophysical processes, including deformation, melting, electrical conductivity, and the propagation of seismic waves.

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As a result of the scarcity of very high-pressure natural samples as well as the possibility of sample alteration during ascent to the surface [Demouchy *et al.*, 2006; Peslier and Luhr, 2006], our view of water storage capacity throughout the upper mantle [e.g., Hirschmann *et al.*, this volume] is informed primarily by experimental studies. Much of the attention in this field has been focused on olivine, the predominant mineral of the upper mantle. However, recent work has highlighted potential discrepancies between earlier experimental work and nature with regard to mechanisms of hydrogen incorporation in olivine [Matveev *et al.*, 2001; Lemaire *et al.*, 2004; Berry *et al.*, 2005; Matveev *et al.*, 2005; for a contrasting view see Mosenfelder *et al.*, 2006]. Differences in opinion among various research groups may lead to confusion for the wider audience interested in water storage in the mantle. Our intent is not to provide a complete review of this topic but to highlight the most important

issues raised by recent studies, as well as present some new observations on natural OH-bearing mantle olivines.

2. METHODS

As part of this study, we reinvestigated some of the samples originally surveyed by Kitamura *et al.* [1987] and Miller *et al.* [1987]. Results on some of the samples prepared for the latter study (particularly GRR1629 and infrared (IR) spectra of CIT15089a and CIT15089b) have not been previously published. In addition, new samples from the Buell Park and Green Knobs localities (Arizona, USA) and from Alpe Arami (Central Alps, Switzerland) were prepared for examination using Fourier-transform infrared spectroscopy, optical microscopy, electron microprobe analysis (EMPA), and transmission electron microscopy (TEM). Table 1 lists the sample localities,

TABLE 1. Samples studied

Sample #	Locality	Occurrence (host)	IR bands ^a	ppm H ₂ O ^b	Features ^c	Reference ^d
GRR949	Almklovdalen, Norway	UHP peridotite body	(I), Ia, serp	20 ^e	Lily pads, Mt inclusions	1
CIT15089a	Almklovdalen, Norway	UHP peridotite body	I, Ia, serp	26	Lily pads, Mt inclusions	1
CIT15089b	Almklovdalen, Norway	UHP peridotite body	I, Ia, serp	23 ^e	Lily pads, Mt inclusions	1
GRR999a	Zabargad Island, Egypt	hydrothermal vein in peridotite	Ia, humite?	14	Clear	2
GRR1001	Morales, Mexico	basalt	Ia, II	14	Clear	3
GRR1006	Monastery Farm, South Africa	kimberlite	I, Ia	61 ^e	Ti-Chu inclusions	3
GRR1007	Vesuvius, Italy	1776 eruption leucite basalt	(I), Ia, humite?	55	Clear	3
GRR1390	Buell Park, AZ	minette diatreme	I, Ia, Ti-Chu, serp	471	Clear, orange-brown, Ti-Chu planar defects	4
GRR1629	Buell Park, AZ	minette diatreme	I	39	Di, Chr inclusions	4
GRR1784a	Buell Park, AZ	minette diatreme	I, Ia, Ti-Chu	80	Di, Chr inclusions, Ti-Chu inclusions and planar defects	4
GRR1784b	Buell Park, AZ	minette diatreme	I, Ia, Ti-Chu	188	clear, orange-brown, Ti-Chu planar defects (?)	4
GRR1784e	Buell Park, AZ	minette diatreme	I	54	Chr, Di inclusions	4
GK01	Green Knobs, AZ	minette diatreme	I, Ia	54	Chr, Di inclusions	5
Alpe Arami	Alpe Arami, Switzerland	UHP Alpine peridotite	Ia	25	Ilm, Chr inclusions	6

^aSee text and Figure 1 for more information; serp = serpentine, Ti-Chu = Ti-clinohumite. (I) = minor component in spectra

^bexpressed as ppm by weight, calculated using the Bell *et al.* [2003] calibration as discussed in text

^cMt = magnetite, Di = diopside, Cr = chromite, Ilm = ilmenite. "Lily pads" are disk-shaped stress fractures around small inclusions such as chromite or spinel.

^dReferences: 1 = Medaris [1999]; 2 = Beran and Putnis [1983]; 3 = Miller *et al.* [1987]; 4 = Kitamura *et al.* [1987]; 5 = Smith and Levy [1976]; 6 = Dobrzynetskaia *et al.* [1996]

^evalue from Kent and Rossman [2002]

spectral features, calculated OH concentrations, inclusion features and references to petrological studies of the localities. Orientation of the crystals was achieved using Raman spectroscopy [see *Mosenfelder et al.*, 2006] and by optical techniques, particularly by identification of growth faces or the (010) cleavage. The uncertainty in orientations is estimated to be 5° or less. Crystal faces were cut with a wire saw and polished using alumina grinding papers and 0.25 μm diamond powder. Olivine in garnet lherzolite from Alpe Arami, collected by the first author during the Fifth International Eclogite Conference, was studied *in situ* in a 150- μm thin section prepared using Crystalbond™, which was subsequently dissolved from the underlying glass slide using acetone.

FTIR spectroscopy was conducted primarily using the main compartment of a Nicolet Magna 860 spectrometer. We collected polarized, mid-IR spectra from 4000 to 2100 cm^{-1} at 2 cm^{-1} resolution by averaging 512 scans, using a GLOBAL infrared light source, a CaF_2 beamsplitter, a LiIO_3 Glan-Foucault prism polarizer, and an MCT-A detector. Circular apertures with diameters of 200–1000 μm were used to select analysis areas. For each single-crystal sample, polarized spectra were collected with the E-vector (**E**) parallel to the [100], [010], and [001] directions (using the same convention for these directions as *Bell et al.* [2003]). For the Alpe Arami thin section, spectra were collected using an IR microscope on randomly oriented grains and corrected using the procedures outlined in *Mosenfelder et al.* [2006]. OH concentrations were calculated using the calibration of *Bell et al.* [2003] applied to three orthogonal spectra, baseline corrected using the procedure outlined in *Asimow et al.* [2006] and integrated from 3100 to 3700 cm^{-1} . The comparison between this calibration and the more commonly used calibration of *Paterson* [1982] has been discussed by *Bell et al.* [2003] and *Mosenfelder et al.* [2006]. The precision of the absorption coefficient determined by *Bell et al.* [2003] is 6.5%, but the accuracy of the values in Table 1 also depends on other factors that are difficult to evaluate, such as choice of baseline correction, choice of integration interval and a possible (uncalibrated) dependence of absorption coefficient on wavenumber.

Wavelength-dispersive EMP analyses were obtained using a JEOL 733 microprobe operating at 15 kV (Table 2). Major element analyses were collected using a spot size of 10- μm and a beam current of 25 nA. For minor and trace elements (Ti, Al, Mn, Ca, Ni, Na, and Cr) in olivine, we used a beam current of 300 nA and increased counting times to four minutes on peak and two minutes on background. Detection limits under these conditions are in the range of 10 to 30 ppm (by weight, for the corresponding oxide). Data processing followed the CITZAF method [*Armstrong*, 1988]. We used well-characterized natural and synthetic standards: Ni_2SiO_4 , Mn_2SiO_4 , Mg_2SiO_4 , TiO_2 , Fe_2SiO_4 , albite, microcline and

Cr_2O_3 . San Carlos olivine with a composition of Fo_{90} was used as a secondary standard. Note that chemical analyses of some of the olivines in Table 1 have also been published by *Kent and Rossman* [2002], who additionally analyzed for P, Li and B but not for Ti, Cr or Al.

TEM was performed at the Center for High Resolution Microscopy at Arizona State University, using a Philips CM-200 FEG microscope operating at 200 kV. Qualitative energy-dispersive chemical analyses were collected using a Kevex EDS detector and an EmiSpec analytical system. The samples for TEM were oriented thin sections mounted to copper grids and thinned to electron transparency by dimpling and Ar-ion bombardment using a Gatan Precision Ion Polishing System with an acceleration potential of 5 KeV and an incidence angle of 5°.

3. INFRARED SIGNATURES OF NATURAL OLIVINE CRYSTALS

Infrared spectroscopic studies of olivines have revealed a large number of variably occurring bands in the OH-stretching vibrational region, in the range from ~3750 to 3100 cm^{-1} . For instance, *Matsyuk and Langer* [2004] designated 70 different bands present in varying combinations in a suite of olivines from kimberlitic xenoliths from the Siberian shield. Most of the IR bands are sharp (small full-width at half maximum, FWHM) and exhibit strong polarization, most typically showing strongest absorption with the E-vector (**E**) parallel to [100]. The greater variety of band positions in comparison to other nominally anhydrous minerals complicates attempts to uniquely assign bands to specific OH defects within the olivine crystal structure [*Libowitzky and Beran*, 1995]. Consequently, disagreement remains about band assignments and modes of hydrogen incorporation in olivine. A further complication is that some natural olivines contain inclusions of water or hydrous solid phases such as serpentine, talc, and humite-series minerals (for a recent discussion of the nomenclature of humite-series minerals, see *Matsyuk and Langer* [2004]). As these inclusions often can only be observed at the nm-scale using electron microscopy, some of the OH in olivine may be falsely interpreted as being integral to its structure.

Extensive tables of band positions and FWHM in olivine can be found in several papers [*Miller et al.*, 1987; *Libowitzky and Beran*, 1995; *Kurosawa et al.*, 1997; *Khisiina et al.*, 2001; *Matsyuk and Langer*, 2004]. In an attempt to simplify the situation, we adopt and modify the simple scheme of *Bai and Kohlstedt* [1993], who divided the bands in their experimentally annealed olivines into two groups: Group I, including bands from 3450 to 3650 cm^{-1} , and

TABLE 2. Average electron microprobe analyses of selected olivine crystals and Ti-clinohumite in GRR1784a

Sample no.	GRR999a	GRR1007	GRR1006	GRR1629	GRR1784e	GRR1390	GRR1784a	GRR1784A - Ti-Chu inclusion
Locality	Zabargad	Vesuvius	Monastery	Buell Park	Buell Park	Buell Park	Buell Park	Buell Park
No. analyses ^a	3/3	3/3	2/3	3/3	3/3	3/6	3/4	2/0
SiO ₂	40.63	40.09	40.54	40.74	40.89	40.40	40.84	36.17
TiO ₂	0.004	0.009	0.004	n.d.	0.005	0.058	0.012	5.20
Al ₂ O ₃	n.d.	0.013	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.
FeO	9.38	12.41	7.72	8.27	7.63	9.08	7.86	7.88
MnO	0.125	0.219	0.101	0.113	0.109	0.143	0.094	0.10
MgO	50.01	46.55	50.85	50.83	50.42	49.91	50.81	48.56
CaO	0.009	0.310	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.
NiO	0.315	0.179	0.354	0.404	0.389	0.367	0.305	0.30
Na ₂ O	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.
Cr ₂ O ₃	n.d.	0.012	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	0.009	n.d.	0.05
Total	100.48	99.81	99.59	100.37	99.46	99.99	99.93	98.28
Mg# ^b	90.5	87.0	92.2	91.6	92.2	90.7	92.0	91.7

Notes:

all concentrations expressed in weight percent

n.d. = below detection limit (typically 10-30 ppm by weight)

^aNumber of major/trace analyses averaged for table.

^bMg# = 100 x molar Mg/(Mg+Fe)

Group II, over the range from 3200 to 3450 cm⁻¹. In addition, we distinguish a subset of Group I bands, hereafter referred to as “Group Ia”, which comprises two strong bands near 3573 and 3525 cm⁻¹ with shoulders at 3563 and 3541 cm⁻¹. Other bands that have been conclusively linked to the presence of extrinsic hydrous phases [Kitamura *et al.*, 1987; Miller *et al.*, 1987; Matsyuk and Langer, 2004] are also noted below and in Table 1.

The delineation of the band groups is illustrated in Figure 1, where we show that the classification can be applied not only to experimental samples [Zhao *et al.*, 2004; Mosenfelder *et al.*, 2006] but also to natural olivines. Further examples of the distinction between I and Ia bands can be seen in Figures 2 and 3. Figure 2 illustrates spectra from a suite of olivines from the Buell Park and Green Knobs diatremes in Arizona. Figure 3 shows spectra from olivines that come from the Western Gneiss Region in Norway. Group I bands have been suggested to be a feature indicative of high pressures [Mosenfelder *et al.*, 2006]. Group Ia bands, which are strongly correlated in peak height [Matsyuk and Langer, 2004], have been associated with humite-like defects [Kitamura *et al.*, 1987; Miller *et al.*, 1987], but the exact nature of the defects may vary between samples or even within a single sample. The significance of Group II bands is controversial [Matveev *et al.*, 2001; Lemaire *et al.*, 2004] and may be related either to varying silica activity or oxygen fugacity. These issues are discussed in the next section.

4. MECHANISMS OF HYDROGEN INCORPORATION IN OLIVINE

Incorporation of hydrogen in olivine can occur via the following classes of mechanisms: 1) as point defects; 2) in planar defects, comprised of either a separate hydrous phase or an ordered array of point defects; 3) via inclusions of hydrous minerals; and 4) as inclusions of fluid H₂O. Evidence to support these mechanisms comes primarily from IR spectra and TEM studies. Below we review each of these mechanisms, using new observations from the present study as well as literature data.

4.1 Point Defects

Point defects have long been linked to hydrogen incorporation in olivine [Beran, 1969; Beran and Putnis, 1983; Bai and Kohlstedt, 1992; 1993]. Possible defects that can balance the excess charge attending incorporation of hydrogen bonded to oxygen include coupled substitution with non-divalent impurity cations (e.g., Al³⁺ and Cr³⁺ in tetrahedral sites, or Na⁺ and Li⁺ in octahedral sites), metal (Fe and Mg) vacancies, Si vacancies, ferric iron (Fe³⁺) in tetrahedral sites, and oxygen interstitials. OH associated with line defects has also been suggested [Beran and Putnis, 1983], although there is no direct evidence for this mechanism.

The question of which—if any—types of defects dominate under different conditions is still under debate and it is not

straightforward to assign IR bands uniquely to specific point defects based on dipole directions and wavenumber positions. For instance, *Libowitzky and Beran* [1995] thoroughly analyzed the IR spectra of a nearly pure Mg-end member forsterite crystal and could not assign all bands uniquely to either Mg or Si vacancies. Attempts to correlate trace element concentrations in olivine with hydrogen content have met with mixed success. Coupled substitution of hydrogen and boron has been clearly demonstrated in some olivines [*Sykes et al.*, 1994; *Kent and Rossmann*, 2002], but this element is unlikely to be present at high levels throughout the mantle. *Kurosawa et al.* [1997] showed a positive correlation

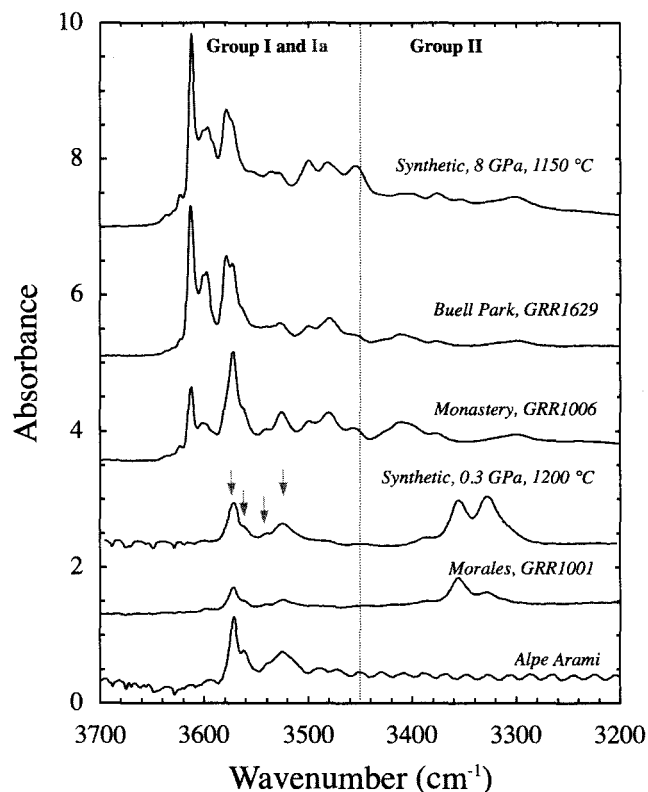


Figure 1. Comparison between Group I, Ia, and II IR bands, illustrated in both natural and experimental samples. The line divides Group II bands from Groups I and Ia, and the grey arrows point to the four Group Ia bands. All spectra normalized to 1 cm with the exception of the experimental sample [Mosenfelder *et al.*, 2006] from 8 GPa and 1150 °C, normalized to 0.5 mm. Spectra in this and other figures are offset in absorbance arbitrarily for the sake of clarity and comparison. All spectra polarized with $E \parallel [100]$ except for the spectrum taken from *Zhao et al.* [2004] of an experimental sample annealed at 0.3 GPa and 1200 °C, which is nominally unpolarized with the incident beam parallel to [010]. Polarized spectra with $E \parallel [010]$ and [001] for GRR1629 and the 8 GPa synthetic sample published in *Mosenfelder et al.* [2006]. Natural samples from localities discussed in Table 1 and in the text.

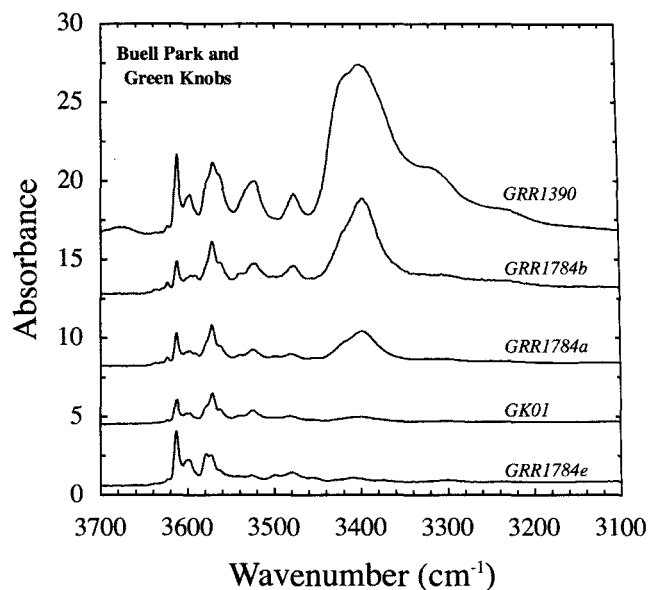


Figure 2. IR spectra of olivines from Buell Park and Green Knobs, polarized with $E \parallel [100]$. The sample numbers are listed directly above each spectrum. Note gradation from spectrum dominated by Group I bands (GRR1784e) to spectra showing Group Ia bands and bands attributed to Ti-clinohumite.

of trivalent cations (Al^{3+} , Cr^{3+}) with monovalent cations (H^+ , Li^+ , Na^+) in a suite of olivines from garnet peridotites, but a more recent study [*Bell et al.*, 2004] failed to reveal any such correlation. Even more recently, *Hauri et al.* [in press] obtained ion microprobe analyses on experimental samples showing both a rough equality between molar H and Al contents as well as a correlation between Al content in olivine and partitioning of hydrogen between olivine and melt. They used this evidence to argue for a prominent role of Al in hydrogen incorporation in olivine, but the correlation shows considerable scatter and application to natural samples is uncertain.

A prominent role for either oxygen interstitials or metal vacancies has been argued on the basis of thermodynamics, point defect studies under anhydrous conditions, and IR data on experimental samples [*Bai and Kohlstedt*, 1993; *Kohlstedt et al.*, 1996; *Kohlstedt and Mackwell*, 1998; *Zhao et al.*, 2004]. On the other hand, the *ab initio* calculations of *Brodholt and Refson* [2000] suggest that the concentration of silicon vacancies is enhanced under hydrous conditions. In this case, silica activity would be expected to play an important role in hydrogen incorporation, as argued by *Matveev et al.* [2001], who ascribed Group I bands to Si vacancies formed under conditions of low silica activity (in equilibrium with MgO) and Group II bands to metal vacancies formed under higher silica activity conditions (in equilibrium with orthopyroxene). This conflicts with the previous experi-

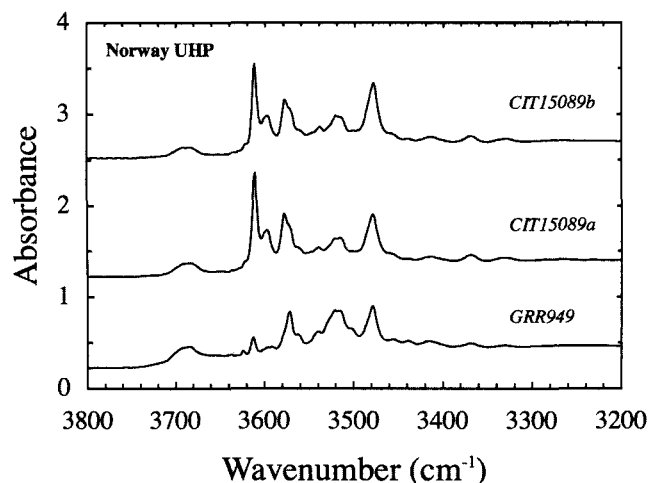


Figure 3. IR spectra of olivines from Almklovdalen, in the UHP province of the Western Gneiss Region, Norway. All spectra normalized to 1 cm and polarized with $E \parallel [100]$. The previously published [Miller *et al.*, 1987] spectrum for sample GRR949 predominantly shows Group Ia bands, but the other two crystals predominantly show Group I bands. The broad band at 3685 cm^{-1} is assigned to serpentine.

mental results of Bai and Kohlstedt [1993], who showed no evidence for a significant effect of silica activity on incorporation mechanism. Moreover, it implies that the vast majority of natural olivines, which are dominated by Group I or Ia bands (Figures 1–3; [Miller *et al.*, 1987]), were equilibrated at low silica activity. This conclusion is problematic as most of these olivines come from orthopyroxene-bearing peridotite sources.

A possible resolution to this problem, as argued by Mosenfelder *et al.* [2006] [see also Berry *et al.*, 2005], is that the Group II bands are related to elevated oxygen fugacity rather than differences in silica activity. This conclusion is consistent with the faster increase in peak heights of Group II bands (compared to Group I) with increasing oxygen fugacity documented in the original study of Bai and Kohlstedt [1993], and with the oxygen buffer used in the experiments of Matveev *et al.* [2001]. However, this does not explain another set of low-wavenumber bands seen in two more recent experimental studies. These bands, at 3160 and 3230 cm^{-1} , are present in both Fe-free [Demouchy and Mackwell, 2003; Lemaire *et al.*, 2004] and Fe-bearing [Berry *et al.*, 2005] olivines synthesized under high-silica activity conditions at pressures below 2 GPa. Although Berry *et al.* [2005] only presented unpolarized spectra, the bands observed by Demouchy and Mackwell [2003] and Lemaire *et al.* [2004] are broad and strongly polarized with the greatest absorption $\parallel [001]$, unlike most other bands in olivine. The band at 3160 cm^{-1} has not been seen in any natural olivines, to our

knowledge, but the band at 3230 cm^{-1} may correspond to a band with the same polarization seen in olivines from Buell Park (Figure 2), Zabargad Island, Egypt, and Vesuvius, Italy (Figure 4). This band is correlated with the presence of a band near 3400 cm^{-1} in natural samples (Figures 2 and 4) and in some experimental samples [Lemaire *et al.*, 2004, Figure 6]. Bands at nearly identical wavenumbers are also present in the spectra of Ti-clinohumite [Matsyuk and Langer, 2004]. Based on this correspondence, these bands may represent the presence of defects or inclusions related to Ti-clinohumite, as discussed further below, even though the 3230 cm^{-1} band has also been attributed to OH defects [Kitamura *et al.*, 1987] or even molecular water [Matsyuk and Langer, 2004].

4.2. Planar Defects

4.2.1. Clinohumite Lamellae.

OH-bearing, planar defects (stacking faults) in olivine were described by Kitamura *et al.* [1987], who studied sample GRR1390 (from Buell Park, Arizona) using TEM. The defects are aligned parallel to (001), (021), and (0–21) (Figure 5). Similar defects along (001) have been documented by Drury [1991], Sykes *et al.* [1994], and Risold *et al.* [2001]. They have also been reproduced in high-pressure experiments [Wirth *et al.*, 2001].

Based on the displacement vector ($\mathbf{R} = \frac{1}{4}\langle 011 \rangle$) of the defects, Kitamura *et al.* [1987] determined that their structure was consistent with layers of Ti-clinohumite. This conclusion is also consistent with IR spectra of the sample, which show strong Group Ia bands at 3571 and 3524 cm^{-1} , as well as a very strong band at 3402 cm^{-1} with shoulders at 3422 , 3319 , and 3230 cm^{-1} . All of these bands can be ascribed to Ti-clinohumite [Miller *et al.*, 1987; Matsyuk and Langer, 2004]. Furthermore, the orange to orange-yellow pleochroism of GRR1390, unusual for olivine, is similar to that of Ti-clinohumite. We re-examined this sample with TEM and confirmed the structure and displacement vector of the defects using high-resolution imaging (Figure 5a–c). Moreover, qualitative EDS analyses of the stacking faults reveal high Ti concentrations, and EMP analyses of the bulk sample (Table 2) show unusually high Ti content for olivine (580 ppm TiO_2 by weight), consistent with the original attribution of the defects as Ti-clinohumite layers.

We have also detected planar defects in GRR1784a, another olivine crystal from Buell Park that shows IR bands corresponding to the presence of Ti-clinohumite (Figure 2). The density of planar defects in GRR1784a is lower, the defect segments are generally shorter, and there are no (021) and (0–21) segments; the sample also contains a significantly higher density of dislocations and subgrain boundaries. GRR1784a lacks the unusual pleochroism of GRR1390 (it is a “normal” green color) and EMP analyses reveal a lower Ti

content (117 ppm wt TiO₂), although significantly above the detection limit (30 ppm). Furthermore, this sample contains optically detectable inclusions of Ti-clinohumite (Figure 5e–f), discussed in more detail in section 4.3. Figure 2 also shows another Buell Park olivine (GRR1784b) exhibiting the band at 3402 cm⁻¹, with intensity intermediate between GRR1784a and GRR1390; this olivine has similar pleochroism to GRR1390 and presumably contains planar defects, but we have not examined it using TEM or EMPA.

Risold *et al.* [2001] showed that the planar defects in olivine from the Alpe Arami garnet peridotite are linked directly to ilmenite ((Mg,Fe)TiO₃) inclusions, which have nucleated on the defects. We have collected IR spectra from several grains of olivine containing ilmenite inclusions. Fig. 1 shows the E || [100] spectrum of Alpe Arami olivine, showing only type Ia bands without the band at 3402 cm⁻¹. Predominance of the latter band appears to be diagnostic of Ti-bearing humite-series minerals [Miller *et al.*, 1987]; although Matsyuk and Langer [2004] presented IR data from humite-series minerals nominally lacking Ti that also show this band, they did not present microprobe data for these samples. Moreover, synthetic, Ti-free clinohumite exhibits no band at this wavenumber [Liu *et al.*, 2003]. Therefore, the IR spectrum of the Alpe Arami olivine is consistent with the hypothesis of Risold *et al.* [2001] that the planar defects were originally Ti-clinohumite but have lost Ti via diffusion during precipitation of the ilmenite rods in the sample. This explanation obviates the need for very high pressures (7 GPa or higher) advocated by Dobrzhinetskaya *et al.* [1996]

[see also Bozhilov *et al.*, 2003] to explain the existence of the ilmenite rods, because Ti solubility in olivine has been shown to be a strong function not of pressure but of temperature [Hermann *et al.*, 2005].

4.2.2. *Hydrous-modified Olivine.* Khisina *et al.* [2001] and Khisina and Wirth [2002] documented a different type of OH-bearing planar defect in an olivine crystal in a kimberlitic xenolith from the Siberian Platform. The planar defects in this sample are grouped together in lamellae, wider than the clinohumite defects discussed above. EDS analyses of the lamellae show a deficiency of Mg and Fe relative to the surrounding olivine. In addition to the lamellae, discrete, nm-sized inclusions of the same phase are present. Khisina and Wirth [2002] interpreted the lamellae to be ordered arrays of M-site (Mg and Fe) vacancies in olivine and called this new phase “hydrous olivine”. A similar structural model was devised by Kudoh [2002], who called the theoretical phase “hydrous-modified olivine.” Although the structure of this phase is similar to clinohumite, it is chemically distinct in that Mg/Si < 2, whereas the humite-series minerals have Mg/Si > 2. Intriguingly, the IR spectra of the sample studied by Khisina *et al.* [2001] show a predominance of the same Group Ia bands seen in many other olivines, as well as in samples GRR1390 and GRR1784a, which contain distinct clinohumite layers. Thus, it is apparently not possible to distinguish between defects that are Mg/Fe-deficient and those that are Si-deficient, using IR spectroscopy alone.

4.3. Hydrous Mineral Inclusions

Effective “incorporation” of hydrogen in olivine via inclusion of, or intimate intergrowth with, hydrous minerals has also been long recognized. For instance, McGetchin *et al.* [1970] described intergrowths of Ti-clinohumite and olivine (as well as Ti-clinohumite inclusions in garnet) and suggested the importance of Ti-clinohumite as a carrier for water in the mantle, long before the importance of nominally anhydrous minerals was broadly recognized. Based on IR spectra, Miller *et al.* [1987] established the presence of other hydrous inclusions in some olivines that were not distinguishable using optical methods. These include serpentine, exhibiting a complex multiplet of bands around 3680 cm⁻¹, and talc, distinguished by a sharper band at 3678 cm⁻¹ together with a much smaller band at 3662 cm⁻¹. The possible presence of humite-series minerals was also discussed at length by Miller *et al.* [1987], but the correspondence of band positions was not found to be as precise as for serpentine and talc. More recently, Khisina *et al.* [2001] documented nm-scale inclusions of talc, serpentine and 10-Å phase in olivines using TEM, and Matsyuk and Langer [2004] presented evidence from IR spectra for sub-microscopic inclu-

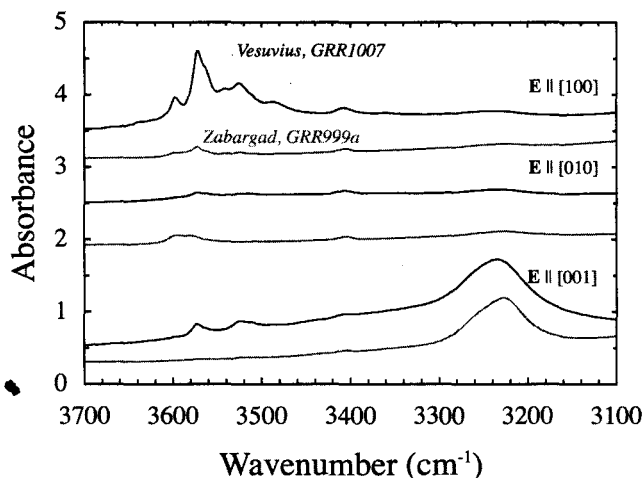


Figure 4. IR spectra of olivines from Vesuvius, Italy (black) and Zabargad Island, Egypt (grey). All spectra normalized to 1 cm. The top two spectra are polarized with E || [100], the middle two with E || [010], and the bottom two with E || [001]. The band at 3404 cm⁻¹ is weakly polarized, but the band near 3230 cm⁻¹ is strongly polarized, showing greatest absorption with E || [001].

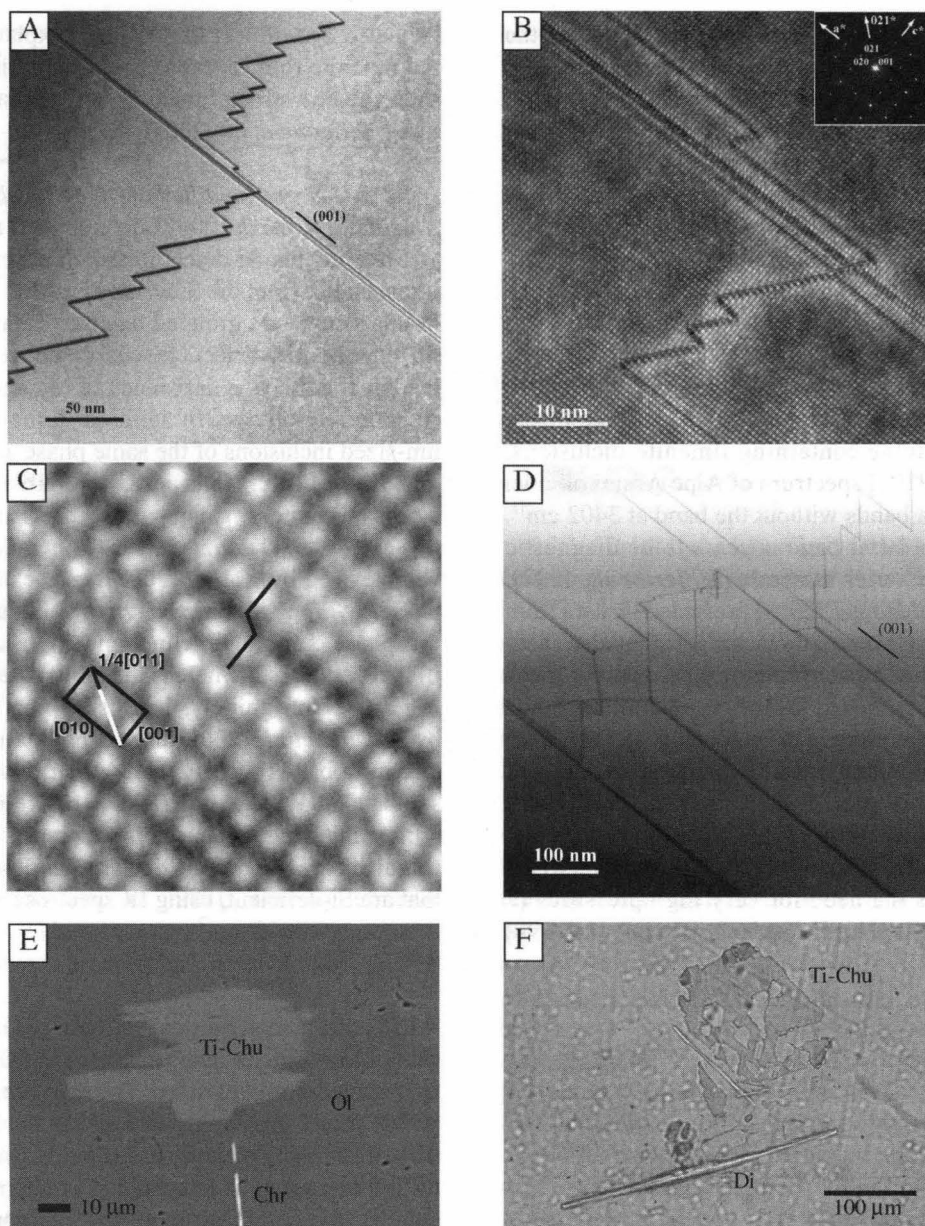


Figure 5. Inclusions of Ti-clinohumite (Ti-Chu) from the nanometer- to micrometer-scale in olivines from Buell Park, Arizona. (a) Bright-field TEM image of Ti-Chu defects in sample GRR1390 taken with diffraction to $g = 004$. The image shows two long straight defects on (001) and a zigzag defect that consists of short (001) and (021) segments. (b) High-resolution TEM (HRTEM) image of the same set of planar defects as in (a), taken down the [100] zone axis. Ti-Chu layers parallel to (001) are present as are defects along (021). The inset selected-area electron diffraction pattern is the [100] zone axis. (c) Enlargement of HRTEM image in (b) demonstrating that the displacement of the (001) and (020) lattice fringes is consistent with a displacement vector $\mathbf{R} = \frac{1}{4}\langle 011 \rangle$. The displacement is illustrated by the zig-zag line in the middle of the image. (d) Bright-field TEM image of Ti-Chu defects in GRR1390 showing the interaction between planar (001) defects and complex zig-zag defects consisting of (001), (021) and (0-21) segments. Note that double (001) defects terminate into (021) + (0-21) pairs. Image taken with diffraction to $g = 004$. (e) BSE image of a Ti-Chu inclusion in sample GRR1784A. The bright, needle-like phase is chromite (Chr). An EMPA analysis of the Ti-Chu inclusion is shown in Table 2. (f) Optical photo-micrograph in plane-polarized light of a Ti-Chu inclusion in GRR1784A associated with diopside (Di) needles. The inclusions form as flattened plates in the (100) plane of the crystal. Similar Ti-Chu inclusions were also identified in GRR1006.

sions of serpentine, talc, amphibole and hydrous wadsleyite (one of the high-pressure forms of olivine). We consider the attribution of the latter two phases to be highly speculative; the IR bands of amphiboles overlap those of serpentine, while the bands attributed to hydrous wadsleyite (at 3327 cm^{-1} and 3357 cm^{-1}) are identical to two of the Group II bands, which are present in low-pressure olivines, show strong anisotropy, and probably are related to elevated oxygen fugacity as discussed in section 4.1 above.

Inclusions of talc and serpentine most likely represent secondary alteration of olivines, but some humite-series minerals may be stable at the high pressure and temperature conditions from which mantle xenoliths are extracted [Ulmer and Trommsdorff, 1999]. In addition to the planar defects described above, we have identified micrometer-scale inclusions of Ti-clinohumite (Figure 5e–f) in samples from Buell Park (GRR1784a and other crystals not yet prepared for IR or EMP analysis) and in a crystal from the Monastery kimberlite in South Africa (GRR1006). These orange-colored inclusions comprise very thin platelets confined to the (100) planes of the green-colored olivines. They have been positively identified by Raman spectroscopy as well as electron microprobe analysis (Table 2). In sample GRR1784a, they are associated with other oriented crystals identified by EDS as diopside and chromite (Figure 5e–f). This association suggests that they form by exsolution during cooling from higher temperatures to the conditions from which the xenoliths were extracted; the solubility of trace elements such as Ti, Al, Ca and Cr in olivine is expected to increase with temperature [e.g., Hermann et al., 2005].

Although inclusions of Ti-clinohumite were predicted [Miller et al., 1987; Libowitzky and Beran, 1995] to be present in olivines from Zabargad Island, Egypt and Vesuvius, Italy (Figure 4), we have not found any optically detectable inclusions in these samples (more than 20 crystals from Zabargad were examined for this purpose). We also studied Zabargad olivine using TEM [cf. Beran and Putnis, 1983] and did not find planar defects of the type discussed above. Furthermore, we did not observe any nanometer-scale precipitates of Ti-clinohumite such as those identified by Wirth et al. [2001] in an experimental sample. We tentatively suggest that the bands in these samples near 3400 cm^{-1} and 3230 cm^{-1} represent point defects related to humite, but more work is needed to model the nature of these defects; another possibility is that lamellae or inclusions of Ti-clinohumite are present but at such low density that we were unable to detect them.

4.4 Fluid-Inclusion H_2O

Many minerals exhibit a broad band of absorption that is centered at 3420 cm^{-1} and lacks polarization. This band

may underlie sharp bands that are polarized [Miller et al., 1987; Bell et al., 2004; Rossman et al., in preparation]. Although this band has been associated with the presence of fluid inclusions, the inclusions may not be optically visible. Miller et al. [1987] documented such a feature in a sample from Kimberley, South Africa and suggested that it reflected the presence of submicroscopic fluid inclusions so small that ice could not form during cooling (to 77 K) of the olivine. Indeed, abundant nanometer-scale pores in this specimen have recently been imaged using high-resolution scanning electron microscopy [Rossman et al., in preparation]. Although other broad bands at lower energies (between 3175 and 3260 cm^{-1}) have also been tentatively assigned to molecular water with “relatively strong bonds to the matrix” [Matsyuk and Langer, 2004], there is no direct evidence to support this suggestion. Moreover, the band near 3230 cm^{-1} with strong polarization \parallel [001] may be associated with a humite-type defect as discussed above.

The presence of a large broadband component that is not associated with visible fluid inclusion arrays or fractures appears to be a phenomenon restricted to olivines from very high-pressure xenoliths [Miller et al., 1987; Bell et al., 2004]. Nanometer-scale features such as those documented by Rossman et al. [in preparation] may represent water exsolved from the structure of the olivine during rapid decompression and cooling. Thus, while providing an intriguing signature, it is not clear whether these inclusions represent a valid mechanism for incorporating hydrogen in olivine *in situ* in the mantle.

5. DISCUSSION

5.1. Effect of Pressure on Hydrogen Incorporation in Olivine

Bai and Kohlstedt [1993] and Kohlstedt et al. [1996] established the systematic, dramatic increase of water storage capacity in olivine with increasing pressure, and the recent experiments of Mosenfelder et al. [2006], using an updated IR calibration [Bell et al., 2003], confirm these results and indicate that the storage capacity of olivine is even higher than previously thought [cf. Smyth et al., 2005]. Although the applicability of some of these experiments to the mantle has been questioned [Matveev et al., 2001; Lemaire et al., 2004; Berry et al., 2005; Matveev et al., 2005], our comparison of IR spectra from synthetic and natural samples (Figure 1) shows that whatever mechanism is responsible for hydrogen incorporation in experiments from about 2–13 GPa is also operative in some natural samples. Mosenfelder et al. [2006] suggested that there may be a transition in mecha-

nisms between low pressures, where a humite-type defect represented by Group Ia bands dominates, and high pressures, where a different defect associated with Group I bands (particularly the bands at 3613, 3598, and 3579 cm^{-1} , but also, in some samples, a triplet at 3502, 3483 and 3456 cm^{-1}) dominates. *Berry et al.* [2005] also speculated on a change in hydrogen incorporation mechanism at high pressures, suggesting that the Group I bands may reflect the presence of Ti-free, "OH-clinohumite-like defects". This assignment is problematic based on comparison between the relatively simple IR spectra of OH-clinohumite, containing only three bands [*Liu et al.*, 2003], and the more complicated pattern of Group I bands noted above. Nevertheless, TEM studies of experimental samples are warranted in order to investigate the possibility that layers or inclusions of OH-clinohumite are present.

The natural olivines represented by the upper three spectra in Figure 1 and the spectra in Figures 2 and 3 all originally come from high-pressure environments. The exact pressure and temperature conditions of formation for the xenolithic olivines are difficult to constrain because they were collected as discrete grains without accompanying phases. However, for the Buell Park olivines, derivation from the garnet peridotite stability field is suggested based on association with pyropic garnet and Cr-diopside and the high Mg-number ($\sim\text{Fo}_{92}$, Table 2) of the olivines compared to the Mg-number of olivines in spinel-peridotite xenoliths from the same locality [*Smith and Levy*, 1976]. Even higher pressures and temperatures have been suggested for xenoliths from the Monastery kimberlite [*Bell et al.*, 2004], although GRR1006 presumably comes from a different xenolithic suite than the olivines studied by *Bell et al.* [2004]. We note that the olivines in that study, which are among the most OH-rich natural olivines ever measured, are dominated by Group Ia IR bands, which contradicts the hypothesis of *Mosenfelder et al.* [2006]. However, these olivines are also substantially more Fe-rich (Fo_{80} - Fo_{82} , Table 5 in *Bell et al.* [2004]) than the olivines (Fo_{92} , Table 2) that are dominated by Group I bands, and the presence of Fe may stabilize whatever defect is represented by the Group Ia bands, as suggested by the experimental data of *Zhao et al.* [2004]. The OH-rich sample from Vesuvius, Italy (Figure 4) also exhibits strong Group Ia bands and is relatively Fe-rich (Fo_{87} , Table 2).

The olivine crystals from Norway come from a garnet-peridotite body (Almklovdalen) in the ultrahigh-pressure province of the Western Gneiss Region. The IR spectrum of sample GRR949, originally published by *Miller et al.* [1987], shows very weak Group I bands and stronger Group Ia bands, but the other two olivines exhibit distinctly different IR spectra (Figure 3), with strong Group I bands at 3613, 3598 and 3579 cm^{-1} . These crystals may have experienced

peak pressures of 3.8 GPa [*Medaris*, 1999] or even higher [*van Roermund et al.*, 2000]. However, they obviously had a more protracted history of exhumation to the surface than the xenoliths discussed above and have likely been affected by fluid infiltration events at lower pressures [*Kostenko et al.*, 2002], reflected by the ubiquitous presence of serpentine in these samples. Because the diffusion of hydrogen in olivine is known to be rapid [*Kohlstedt and Mackwell*, 1998; *Demouchy and Mackwell*, 2003], at least on the several million-year timescale it must have taken for exhumation of these rocks, the proposed survival of a "high-pressure OH signature" is therefore surprising. Unfortunately the samples, received as donations from gem dealers, do not have a properly documented geologic context. A more thorough study of OH in olivines from ultra-high pressure garnet-peridotites could yield further information with respect to hydrogen incorporation mechanisms at high pressure.

5.2. Ti in Olivine and the Importance of Humite-Type Defects

The existence of planar defects and inclusions of Ti-clinohumite in olivine described above suggest a potentially important role for Ti in incorporation of hydrogen in olivine. We note that although these defects and inclusions have been identified in olivines from two different, far-apart localities (Buell Park, Arizona and Monastery Mine, South Africa), the ubiquity of such a phenomenon in the mantle is far from certain. For instance, *Matsyuk and Langer* [2004] studied a much larger suite of olivines in kimberlitic xenoliths from the Siberian shield and none of their samples show the band at 3402 cm^{-1} characteristic of Ti-clinohumite. The Ti-clinohumite defects and inclusions appear to reflect exsolution from olivines containing structural Ti and H; exsolution of other trace elements (Cr, Al, and Ca) in these samples has also clearly taken place as reflected by the presence of associated chromite and diopside inclusions (Figure 5). For the Buell Park samples such a process is consistent with petrological studies that document protracted cooling of the xenoliths prior to extraction from the mantle source [*Smith and Levy*, 1976]. Ti, which is highly soluble in olivine at high temperatures according to the experimental data of *Hermann et al.* [2005], may have been introduced into the olivines by localized metasomatism at high temperatures; this would be consistent with the highly variable concentration of Ti and Ti-clinohumite defects in these samples (Figure 2 and Table 2). Note that the history of the Alpe Arami garnet lherzolite, containing similar planar defects in olivine, is quite different and probably reflects a multi-stage process such as that proposed by *Hermann et al.* [2005]. In this case the Ti-clinohumite, perhaps formed by an exsolution process analogous

to that in the Buell Park samples, must have become unstable during a later metamorphic event as evidenced by breakdown of the defects to form ilmenite (plus olivine). This secondary event may reflect either prograde metamorphism [Hermann *et al.*, 2005] or retrograde metamorphism at relatively high temperatures during rapid exhumation.

Berry *et al.* [2005] have suggested that a point defect associated with Ti is the most important defect site in the shallow upper mantle for incorporating hydrogen. The extremely high concentration of OH in olivines with presumably low Ti contents annealed at pressures up to 13 GPa indicates that this is not the only important mechanism for incorporating hydrogen in olivine in deeper parts of the mantle. Moreover, the exact nature of the proposed “humite-type” point defects, as we have discussed throughout this paper, is uncertain. There may be more than one variety of “humite-type” defect, as suggested by differences in IR spectra of low-pressure olivines (compare Figures 1 and 4). A “hydrous-modified olivine” defect [Khisina and Wirth, 2002; Kudoh 2002] is one strong possibility that should be investigated further with combined IR and TEM studies of natural olivines.

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