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27 **Abstract**

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1. Introduction

The Somma-Vesuvius volcanic complex is one of the best known volcanoes in the world, due to its location in a densely populated area, to its history related to the effects of several Plinian and sub-Plinian eruptions (e.g., 3800 yr. B.C. "Avellino", 79 CE "Pompeii" and 472 CE "Pollena" eruptions), one of which caused the disappearance of the cities of Pompeii, Herculaneum and Stabiae. This volcano belongs to the Neapolitan district (Fig. 1), which is the southernmost volcanic cluster of the Roman Magmatic Province (e.g., Washington, 1906; Avanzinelli et al., 2009; Conticelli et al., 2010, 2015). The Roman Magmatic Province (RMP) occupies the Tyrrhenian side of the Apennine chain from southern Tuscany to Naples and is composed of several volcanic complexes of Pleistocene to Quaternary age that share potassic to ultrapotassic affinities (e.g., Washington, 1906; Beccaluva et al., 1991; Conticelli et al., 2010; Peccerillo, 2017). Beccaluva et al. (1991) first identified a marked geochemical and isotopic discontinuity between the Roccamonfina volcano and the southernmost parts of the RMP belonging to the Neapolitan district. This geochemical discontinuity has been interpreted as the result of a different sedimentary contribution in a slightly more enriched mantle, generally thought to be similar to the source of E-MORB (e.g., D'Antonio and Di Girolamo, 1994; D'Antonio et al., 1996, 1999; Iovine et al., 2018) and/or by the occurrence of contributions from geochemical reservoirs derived from the Aeolian subduction and from the a slab tear located in the Mt. Vulture area (e.g., Peccerillo, 2001, 2017; Avanzinelli et al., 2009, 2018; Conticelli et al., 2009, 2010, 2015). Geochemical and radiogenic isotope data indicate that the most mafic magmas of the RMP, independently of their degree of silica saturation, indicate the occurrence of subducted pelitic±carbonate lithologies in the genesis of their variably enriched mantle sources (e.g., Conticelli et al., 2002, 2007, 2013, 2015; Avanzinelli et al., 2008, 2009; Casalini et al., 2019). Recent studies have shown that recycling of sedimentary to crustal materials in subduction zones significantly modifies the Sr-Nd-O isotopes of mantle metasomatized peridotite sources (e.g., Iovine et al., 2018; Dallai et al., 2019, 2022; Avanzinelli et al., 2020; Fan et al., 2021).

The Somma-Vesuvius volcanic complex is well known for the occurrence of limestone and skarn xenoliths that well document the interaction between mantle-derived magmas and Mesozoic limestones and dolostones of the crustal basement of the volcano (e.g., Fulignati et al., 2005; Jolis et al., 2015; Balassone et al., 2013, 2023). This interaction was thought to be the main source of CO₂-bearing gases around Vesuvius. The role of the magma interaction with Mesozoic basement limestones in the genesis of the Somma-Vesuvius rocks has been historically debated (e.g., Savelli, 1967, 1968 and references therein; Di Renzo et al., 2007; Iacono Marziano et al., 2008; Conticelli et

83 al., 2010; Dallai et al., 2011; Pichavant et al., 2014; Jolis et al., 2015; Avanzinelli et al., 2018), and
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84 more recently also for other potassic/ultrapotassic districts of the RMP (e.g., Dallai et al., 2004;
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92 on the explosive and effusive activity of the syn- and post-caldera Somma-Vesuvius volcano (e.g.,
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107 The Somma-Vesuvius volcanic complex is located in the Neapolitan district (Fig. 2),
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108 together with the Phlegrean Fields, Procida and Ischia volcanic fields (e.g., Washington, 1906;
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110 Roccamonfina volcano and the buried calc-alkaline andesites found in the Parete and
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111 Castelvoturno boreholes (Beccaluva et al., 1991; Di Girolamo et al., 1996; Rouchon et al., 2008).
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114 pre-caldera summit of the Mt. Somma volcano was probably located about 500 m north of the
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115 present-day crater, at an elevation of about 1,600-1,900 m. Samples from the "Trecase 1 "
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117 belong to the Somma-Vesuvius activity (cf. Brocchini et al., 2001). The activity of Mt. Somma is
118 earlier than the Plinian "Pomici di Base " eruption. Most of the products of the ancient Somma
119 volcano are exposed in the inner walls of the caldera, with pyroclastic deposits found in the
120 Camaldoli della Torre borehole (SE of the Vesuvius cone) interlayered with the products of the
121 Campanian Ignimbrite eruption (Di Renzo et al., 2007). Three large explosive events occurred
122 between 39 and 22 ka: the "La Schiava" eruption (36 ka), the "Taurano" eruption (36-33 ka), the
123 "Codola" eruption (33 ka), and the "Carcavone" eruption (39-22 ka) (Sparice et al., 2017 and
124 references therein). Other Plinian eruptions are known: the "Pomici di Base" eruption (21,670 y
125 BP), the "Pomici Verdoline" eruption (16,130±110 yr. BP), the "Mercato" eruption (a.k.a.
126 "Ottaviano" eruption, 8,900 yr. BP); the "Avellino" eruption (3,945±10 cal BP), the "Pompeii"
127 eruption (79 CE) and the "Pollena" eruption (472 CE) (e.g., Melluso et al., 2022 and references
128 therein). After minor activity just after the 472 CE and medieval activity, the last period of activity
129 started in 1631 CE with a mild and semi-persistent activity, with minor lava effusions and short
130 quiescent periods (last event 1944 CE). Each quiescent period was preceded by relatively powerful
131 explosive effusive polyphase eruptions.

132 Tomographic images of the volcano reveal a central cylindrical core of high rigidity below the
133 axial area of the volcano (e.g., Zollo et al., 1996; Fedi et al., 2018 and references therein), which
134 has been interpreted as a solidified magmatic intrusion or conduit. A sharp decrease in P-wave
135 velocity is observed below 9-10 km depth; this feature is thought to be evidence for a magma
136 reservoir (e.g., Zollo et al., 1996; Piana Agostinetti and Chiarabba, 2008).

3. Materials, methods, and classification of Mt. Somma volcanic rocks

140 Ninety-nine fresh lavas and five fresh dikes were collected (Fig. 2; Supplementary Figure 1) and are
141 representative of the pre-caldera volcanic history. Analytical techniques are described in the
142 Supplementary Material 1 (see Cucciniello et al., 2017, 2022; Guarino et al., 2021). Trace elements,
143 determined by ICP-OES and ICP-MS, are reported in Table 1, while XRF analyses are reported in
144 Supplementary Table 1. Detailed petrographic description, mineral chemistry, and crystallization
145 conditions are given in Supplementary Material 2.

146 According to the K₂O-Na₂O diagram of Middlemost (1975), to the criteria of Foley et al. (1987)
147 and the K₂O-SiO₂ diagram (Di Girolamo, 1984), the Somma lavas and dikes are mainly
148 ultrapotassic rocks, leucite-bearing rocks, with subordinate potassic leucite-free rocks (Fig. 3a, b).

149 Overall, the Somma ultrapotassic volcanic rocks are predominantly *nepheline*-normative and
150 subordinately *leucite*-normative (Supplementary Table 1); the potassic volcanic rocks are the least

151 silica-undersaturated. According to the degree of silica-saturation, we divide the leucite-bearing
152 lavas into three main groups:
153 (1) *Leucite tephrites (s.l.)*: This group of rocks consists of leucite-bearing lavas with leucite both as
154 phenocrysts and in the CIPW norm. These rocks are highly silica undersaturated (SSU) [*leucite-*
155 *normative, leucite (lc) = 8-22%; nepheline (ne) = 11-17%*] with terms ranging from leucite-tephrite
156 to leucite-tephriphonolite (Fig. 3c, d). This group is equivalent in terms of mineralogy, petrography
157 (Supplementary Material 2.1) and chemical composition to the lavas of the recent Vesuvius Great
158 Cone activity (1631-1944 CE).

159 (2) *Leucite-bearing shoshonites*: This group of rocks consists of leucite-bearing rocks without
160 leucite in the CIPW norm. These rocks plot in the latite and shoshonite fields of the TAS and R_1R_2 ,
161 with a few samples crossing the boundary with tephrites (Fig. 3c, d; Supplementary Material 2.1).
162 Since the normative *nepheline* is variable but significantly high (2-13%), these rocks are slightly to
163 moderately silica undersaturated (hereafter MSU).

164 (3) *Leucite-free shoshonites*: This group of rocks has $K_2O/Na_2O < 2$ and plots in the field of
165 potassic series in the Na_2O-K_2O diagram and in the shoshonitic field of the K_2O-SiO_2 diagram (Fig.
166 3a, b; Supplementary Material 2.1). In the TAS and R_1-R_2 diagrams, these rocks plot mainly in the
167 latite field (hereafter *latites*) (Fig. 3c, d).

168 The distinction between the MSU and SSU groups corresponds to a lithologic discontinuity
169 and a marked change in slope noted along the caldera wall, where the SSU overlie the Somma lavas
170 and dikes (Supplementary Material 2.1).

171 172 **4. Major- and trace element geochemistry**

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174 The concentration of MgO in the Somma lavas and dikes ranges from 5.8 to 2.0 wt%, with
175 Cr and Ni < 114 and < 54 ppm, respectively; the relatively low forsterite content of olivine and the
176 low Mg# of clinopyroxene phenocrysts (Supplementary Material 2.2) indicate that none of these
177 rocks have compositions that can be attributed to liquids in equilibrium with a mantle source.
178 Concentrations of CaO, Al_2O_3 , Na_2O , SiO_2 , Sc, and V decrease with MgO, while TiO_2 , Fe_2O_3 ,
179 P_2O_5 , K_2O , and other elements have a more limited correlation (Supplementary Figure 2). These
180 variations seem to be compatible with the removal of the observed phenocryst phases. The increase
181 in Al_2O_3 and the decrease in CaO, Sc, and V indicate a more significant removal of clinopyroxene
182 and magnetite than plagioclase and leucite (Supplementary Figures 2 and 3). For a given MgO,
183 variations in major oxides and trace elements such as Zr, Sr, Y, and Nb are not fully consistent with
184 simple fractional crystallization schemes of the observed phases (Supplementary Figure 3).

185 The Somma bulk rocks have a significant compositional range for fluorine (SSU group: F =
186 1079-2105 ppm; MSU group: F = 1046-2103 ppm; Latite group: F = 1061-1475 ppm) and chlorine
187 (SSU group: Cl = 137-4551 ppm; MSU group: Cl = 46-1766 ppm; Latite group: Cl = 40-358 ppm),
188 while S is significant in two SSU samples (69 and 1903 ppm) (Supplementary Figure 3). Therefore,
189 the petrogenetic contribution of F and Cl in the petrogenesis of the Somma lavas should be
190 considered (e.g., Melluso et al., 2022).

191 The chondrite normalized REE patterns of the Somma lavas and dikes are moderately LREE
192 enriched ($La_N/Yb_N = 15-27$) and with significant Eu troughs [$Eu/Eu^* = Eu_N/(Sm_N \times Gd_N)^{0.5} = 0.8-$
193 0.9], typical of all the mafic leucite-bearing rocks of the RMP (e.g., Rogers et al., 1985; Boari et al.,
194 2009b; Fig. 4). No significant differences are observed with increasing degree of differentiation
195 (MgO concentration as a proxy) and group affinity, indicating that the europium (Eu) trough of the
196 chondrite normalized patterns is not related to plagioclase removal.

197 The Somma lavas and dikes have Nb/Yb (11-25), Th/Yb (6-13), and Ba/Nb (37-83) ratios
198 are significantly higher than mantle ratios, whereas the La/Nb ratio (1.4-2) is only slightly higher
199 (Table 1 and Fig. 5). The Zr/Hf (40-50) and Nb/Ta (16-23) ratios are also slightly higher than
200 typical mantle ratios, Nb/U is low (4-10), and Th/U (2.7-3.7) is slightly low compared to the typical
201 mantle ratios (cf., Lyubetskaya and Korenaga, 2007). The mantle-normalized multielement patterns
202 of the Monte Somma lavas have troughs at Nb, Ta, and Ti, a peak at Pb and generally marked Large
203 Ion Lithophile Element (LILE) enrichment compared to HFSE (Fig. 6). Zr and Hf are not markedly
204 depleted relative to the neighboring REE.

205 206 **5. Nd, Sr, and O isotope composition of the Mt. Somma lavas**

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208 The Somma lavas have $^{87}Sr/^{86}Sr$ ranging from 0.70687 to 0.70786 and $^{143}Nd/^{144}Nd$ ranging
209 from 0.51244 to 0.51258, with no systematic variation with the degree of magmatic differentiation
210 (Table 2; Fig. 7). These data are consistent with known fields for Somma-Vesuvius volcanic
211 products (e.g., 25 ka to the medieval and 1631-1944 A.D eruptions; Fig. 7), but also with products
212 from the Neapolitan district, but formed by more differentiated rocks (i.e., trachyte). On the other
213 hand, the Sr-Nd-isotopic ranges of Vesuvius are significantly different from the isotopic
214 composition of the basalts of Procida (Solchiaro samples) and Ischia, which represent the most
215 primitive volcanic products erupted in the Phlegrean-Ischian volcanic areas (Fig. 7), excluding any
216 comagmatic origin of the mafic magmas of the different volcanic districts.

217 The oxygen isotope composition of the Somma-Vesuvio lavas has been studied using the $\delta^{18}O$
218 values of clinopyroxene. This is due to the ubiquitous occurrence of this mineral, and its chemical

219 and isotopic sensitivity to carbonate contamination (Dallai et al., 2004). Mineral separates from
220 different samples have $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values ranging from +6.3 to +7.9 ‰ (Table 2). Considering the typical
221 fractionation between clinopyroxene and equilibrium melt compositions, this range is significantly
222 higher than mantle-derived magmas. The negative SiO_2 - $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ and Cr- $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ covariation trends of the
223 MSU samples indicate that the overall oxygen isotope composition of clinopyroxene increased with
224 the degree of magmatic evolution of the samples. Comparable $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values (6.4-7.0 ‰) are obtained
225 for the olivine separates, suggesting isotopic non-equilibrium can be envisaged with clinopyroxene
226 (see Supplementary Figure 4a).

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6. Discussion

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231 The mildly silica undersaturated (MSU) and the leucite-free shoshonitic and latite rocks of
232 Somma volcano do not represent just "a few outliers" as previously reported (e.g., Joron et al.,
233 1987; Peccerillo, 2005; Santacroce et al., 2008), but rather, they form the bulk of the Mt. Somma
234 eruptive units. Although the well-known transition to more silica undersaturated products is
235 evident, it appears that it should not be considered as sharp as previously thought. In addition, some
236 of the mildly silica undersaturated (MSU) rocks also have a marked distinctly "intermediate"
237 character, unlike the other rocks. Their occurrence is never negligible or even unrecorded. These
238 simple observations provide interesting clues for the understanding of the petrological model for the
239 Somma-Vesuvius volcanic complex, which justifies the presence of mafic rocks with varying
240 degrees of silica undersaturation. The Mt. Somma lavas have their counterparts in the mafic
241 products of the "Pomici di Base" pyroclastic eruption, which range in composition from leucite
242 shoshonite to trachyte (e.g., Landi et al., 1999; Melluso et al., 2022), and are therefore part of a
243 slightly silica undersaturated rock suite that is not comagmatic with the rest of the Somma-Vesuvius
244 phonolites.

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6.1. Relationships between MSU, Latites (leucite-free rocks) and SSU (Vesuvius-like)

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249 Starting with the most "primitive" compositions above, the full range of Somma epoch
250 magmas was modeled using major element mass balance calculations (Stormer and Nicholls, 1978),
251 and the results are summarized in Supplementary Table 2.

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254 In the highly silica undersaturated (SSU) rocks, the major oxide transitions from the least to
255 the most evolved lava compositions (samples MRL3 to MRL97v; *Vesuvius-like*) were adequately
256 modeled with a maximum 42 % removal of clinopyroxene-rich leucite-gabbro (essexite) solid

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253 (~51% clinopyroxene, ~18 % plagioclase, ~20 % leucite, ~5 % magnetite, ~3 % olivine, and ~3 %
254 apatite; $\Sigma R^2 = 0.180$). The tested transitions between the highly silica undersaturated rocks (sample
255 MRL18, SSU), the latite (sample MRL71), and mildly silica undersaturated rocks (sample MRL39,
256 MSU) were modeled with 35-47 % removal of a leucite-rich extract (~46-55 % leucite, ~22-29 %
257 clinopyroxene, ~10-14 % plagioclase, ~2-3 % olivine, ~5-7 % magnetite, and ~3-4 % apatite; $\Sigma R^2 =$
258 0.097-0.239). In the MSU group, the transition from the least to the most evolved lava compositions
259 of the mildly silica undersaturated rocks (from MRL100 or MRL27 to MRL86 samples) was
260 adequately modeled with 21-32 % removal of similar clinopyroxene-rich leucite gabbro (essexite)
261 solid (~43-45% clinopyroxene, ~27-38 % leucite, ~2-16 % plagioclase, ~7 % olivine, ~5-8 %
262 magnetite, and ~0-2 % apatite; $\Sigma R^2 = 0.03$ -0.08). The transition from less evolved “shoshonitic”
263 MSU samples (i.e., MRL100 and MRL27) to more evolved latites (samples MRL103 and MRL104)
264 is obtained by 40-56 % removal of a leucite-bearing clinopyroxenite (~37-41 % clinopyroxene,
265 ~23-33 % leucite, ~13-21 % plagioclase, ~6-9 % olivine, ~1-3 % apatite, and ~5-7 % magnetite; at
266 $\Sigma R^2 = 0.12$ -0.18). The transition to the most evolved latites (from sample MRL69 to sample
267 MRL104) is compatible with a 26 % removal of a clinopyroxene- and leucite-rich gabbro (~59 %
268 plagioclase, ~25 % clinopyroxene, ~5 % leucite, ~7 % olivine, and ~3 % magnetite; $\Sigma R^2 = 0.20$). Of
269 course, the reliability of the major element mass balance calculations reported above is not a proof
270 of the actual occurrence of a given process; however, it is a strong indication of the reliability of
271 processes involving the separation of phases with the chemical composition of the observed
272 phenocrysts in an alkaline magmatic system. The amount of plagioclase removal in the different
273 transitions is consistent with Sr being only a slightly incompatible element, since a typical K_d for
274 bytownitic/labradoritic plagioclase is close to 2 (e.g., Bédard, 2006).

41 42 6.2. Trace element modelling

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45 We have shown that the major and trace element variations of the most primitive magmas of
46 each group of rocks recognized within the Mt. Somma activity cannot be produced by closed
47 system fractional crystallization processes involving mineralogical assemblages represented by the
48 phenocrysts (and their compositions) observed in the thin sections. The proposed models are, of
49 course, approximations that require a closed magmatic system. Such a scenario seems
50 oversimplified for Somma-Vesuvius, since petrographic (e.g., variably zoned plagioclase and
51 clinopyroxene phenocrysts, the occurrence of skarn and limestone xenoliths) and petrochemical
52 evidence (chemical disequilibrium between clinopyroxene crystals and their host bulk-rock
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287 within juvenile clasts from the same eruption) seem to suggest some open-system fractional
288 crystallization (e.g., Santacroce, 1987; Ayuso et al., 1998; Peccerillo, 2005; Piochi et al., 2006; Di
289 Renzo et al., 2007). The moderate variability of the Sr-Nd isotope ratios is consistent with the
290 interaction of Somma-Vesuvius magmas with wall rock compositions that do not exhibit markedly
291 different isotopic values, as in the case of typical Mesozoic limestones/dolostones of the Apennine
292 chain ($^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr} \sim 0.707\text{-}0.709$ and $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd} \sim 0.512$; Del Moro et al., 2001; Melluso et al., 2003;
293 Fulignati et al., 2005; Piochi et al., 2006; Conticelli et al., 2009a, b; Boari et al., 2009b; Rosatelli et
294 al., 2023), which is one of the rock types in the basement beneath the Somma-Vesuvius area (e.g.,
295 Santacroce, 1987; Brocchini et al., 2001). Although some interaction between the Somma-Vesuvius
296 magmas and the limestone-dolostone sedimentary wall rocks certainly occurred and is seen in the
297 skarn xenoliths, common in the pyroclastic record, the exact role of these processes in the evolution
298 of the Somma-Vesuvius magmas is still uncertain. Two contrasting hypotheses have been proposed:
299 i) a limited (though significant) role for limestone assimilation, subordinate to the effects of
300 fractional crystallization of the observed phenocrysts (e.g., Savelli, 1968); ii) a dominant role for
301 limestone assimilation, as the main process leading to the progressive increase in alkalinity and
302 degree of silica-undersaturation of the Somma-Vesuvius magmas (Rittmann, 1933; Iacono
303 Marziano et al., 2007).

305 *6.3. The transition from leucite-bearing shoshonitic to leucite-tephritic magmas*

307 Magma-carbonate interaction is a multistep process leading to the formation of the skarn
308 shell, magmatic cumulates, and melt differentiation (e.g., Savelli, 1976). Crustal contamination of
309 magmas can occur through assimilation of solid material (carbonate and/or skarn), and carbonate-
310 derived CO_2 flux (Dallai et al., 2011). Melt-carbonate interaction is thought to occur on in the order
311 of minutes, resulting in geochemical contamination of the melt coupled with intense CO_2
312 vesiculation at the melt-carbonate interface. In contrast, melt homogenization by physical mixing
313 and mingling promoted by exsolving volatiles is a slower process, due to the low ability of silicate
314 and carbonate melts to mix on a syn-eruptive timescale (Deegan et al., 2010; Jolis et al., 2013;
315 Gozzi et al., 2014).

316 The chemical composition of the Somma-Vesuvius volcano shifts from the moderately silica
317 undersaturated lavas of Mt. Somma to the highly silica undersaturated products of Vesuvius, a
318 feature not observed in the nearby Phlegrean Fields, Procida or Ischia and exactly the opposite of
319 what is found in the Roccamonfina volcanic complex or in the Alban Hills (e.g., Conticelli et al.,
320 2009b and references therein; Boari et al., 2009a, b). Some authors associate the increasing degree

321 of silica undersaturation with increasing carbonate assimilation (e.g., Freda et al., 2008; Iacono
322 Marziano et al., 2007; Mollo et al., 2010; Jolis et al., 2015; Carter and Dasgupta, 2016). The
323 interaction of the magma with the basement limestone could have led to the occurrence of variably
324 silica undersaturated rock series, starting from a single, weakly undersaturated, potassic parental
325 magma. In particular, the model proposed by Iacono Marziano et al. (2007) for the Somma-
326 Vesuvius suggests that the transition from the weakly undersaturated magmas of the older Somma
327 activity to the progressively more undersaturated magmas of the following periods can be achieved
328 by significant carbonate assimilation (up to 15-17%) accompanied by clinopyroxene removal (35-
329 50%). However, several authors have pointed out that magma-wall rock interaction cannot involve
330 significant mass exchange towards the magmas, arguing for a very efficient isolation of the interior
331 of magma bodies (due to the development of a solidification front and a Ca-phases-rich skarn shell
332 at the boundary between the crystallizing magmas and the limestone wall rocks (e.g., Savelli, 1967;
333 Del Moro et al., 2001). On the other hand, carbonate decomposition may be responsible for a more
334 extensive mass exchange during crust-magma interaction at the continental crustal level (e.g.,
335 Deegan et al., 2010; Mollo et al., 2010; Carter and Dasgupta, 2016). This implies that crustal
336 contamination of magmas might occur through assimilation of solid material (carbonate
337 and/or skarn) rather than through crustally derived CaO-rich melt (Di Rocco et al., 2012) and
338 carbonate-derived CO₂ flux (Dallai et al., 2011). As clearly shown by Mollo et al. (2010), the
339 presence of a CO₂-rich fluid phase during carbonate assimilation can significantly affect partition
340 coefficients and the redox state of carbonated systems. However, crustal contamination, and in
341 particular carbonate contamination of potassic to ultrapotassic magmas at continental crustal level,
342 however, may be difficult to decipher because of the occurrence of previous extreme crustal
343 enrichment of the mantle source of ultrapotassic magmas due to subduction of crustal rocks and
344 sediments, either carbonate-poor or carbonate-rich, which strongly modify the O-Sr-Nd-Pb isotopic
345 composition of the source (e.g., Conticelli et al., 2015; Avanzinelli et al., 2018, 2020; Iovine et al.,
346 2018; Dallai et al., 2019, 2022; Chen et al., 2021, 2023; Bragagni et al., 2022). Indeed, several
347 papers have shown that either limestone or marl assimilation by a shoshonitic magma at the crustal
348 level does not satisfy geochemical modeling to strongly produce silica undersaturated ultrapotassic
349 rocks (e.g., Melluso et al., 2003; Boari et al., 2009a, b; Conticelli et al., 2015). In these cases,
350 simply considering the very low incompatible element concentrations of limestones (e.g., Rb ~2-4
351 ppm, Zr <26 ppm, La ~15 ppm, Nd ~10 ppm, Eu ~0.38 ppm, Tb ~0.9 ppm, Th <3 ppm; e.g., Zhang
352 et al., 2017; Rosatelli et al., 2023), the geochemical modeling of magma-crust interaction at the
353 shallow level would result in a marked drop of incompatible element concentrations of the
354 "hybridized" strongly silica undersaturated magma. Simple Assimilation and Fractional

355 Crystallization (AFC; DePaolo, 1981) models were performed to reproduce the transition from
356 Somma-Vesuvius weakly silica undersaturated magmas to mildly and strongly silica undersaturated
357 magmas by means of appropriate amounts of limestone assimilation. Trace element and isotope
358 modeling failed to reproduce such a transition, even with different contaminants, such as marls and
359 limestones belonging to the Apennine chain (Supplementary Figure 4b, c).

360 In summary, the above evidence and modeling indicate that the process of limestone
361 assimilation was active throughout the magmatic evolution of the Somma-Vesuvius complex, but it
362 is not able to justify the observed temporal increase in the degree of alkalinity and silica
363 undersaturation of these magmas, also considering the variations of $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ in the Somma (and
364 Vesuvius) magmas and the isotopic differences between ultrapotassic alkaline magmas and
365 sedimentary limestones/dolostones or marlstones (e.g., Dallai et al., 2019; Fan et al., 2021; Rosatelli
366 et al., 2023).

367 368 *6.4. The mantle sources of the Somma-Vesuvius magmatism in the southern part of the Roman* 369 *Magmatic Province*

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371 It is widely accepted that the primary magmas of the RMP are generated by partial melting
372 of a mantle source recently enriched in potassium and related elements by subduction processes
373 involving continental crustal material (e.g., Beccaluva et al., 1991; Peccerillo, 1998, 2017;
374 Conticelli et al., 2002, 2011, 2015; Avanzinelli et al., 2008; Mazzeo et al., 2014; Iovine et al., 2018;
375 Casalini et al., 2019). The relative roles of subducted sedimentary material in a variably enriched
376 lithospheric upper mantle and shallow crustal contamination en route to the surface are still
377 debated. The typical LILE and Pb enrichments and the troughs at Nb, Ta, and Ti observed in the
378 most primitive mantle-normalized diagrams for the Monte Somma lavas are shared with other
379 Roman rocks, although the Somma volcanic rocks have intermediate characteristics between the
380 leucite-bearing volcanic rocks of the Latian district and those of Monte Vulture (e.g., Avanzinelli et
381 al., 2009; Conticelli et al., 2015). The mafic terms of the Somma-Vesuvius and other volcanoes of
382 the Campanian Plain have lower HFSE fractionation than Th, U and LILE compared to the leucite-
383 bearing mafic magmas of the Latian districts of the Roman Province (e.g., Beccaluva et al., 1991;
384 Ayuso et al., 1998; D'Antonio et al., 1999; Peccerillo, 2001; Di Renzo et al., 2007; Avanzinelli et
385 al., 2008; Conticelli et al., 2009a; Mazzeo et al., 2014).

386 It is long known that the extent of the Eu troughs in the REE chondrite normalized diagrams
387 of the mafic ultrapotassic, leucite-bearing rocks of the RMP is a feature largely inherited from the
388 mantle source, rather than due to calcic plagioclase removal (e.g., Rogers et al., 1985), and the Mt.

389 Somma lavas (and the Vesuvius analogues) are no exception. The source of the RMP rocks has
390 marked affinities with sedimentary rocks (pelites with carbonates/marls), and indeed the addition of
391 pelitic sedimentary rocks (or melts derived from them) in a peridotite matrix could be one of the
392 causes of the geochemical patterns of the RMP and hence of Somma-Vesuvius. To test this
393 hypothesis, we have used a comprehensive data set of the Italian volcanic rocks south of the Alban
394 Hills, together with the composition of typical Atlantic and Tyrrhenian Sea MORBs, within plate
395 basalts, and sedimentary rocks of closed areas, thought to be representative of the subducted
396 material potentially downdragged during the Cenozoic collisional events of this area of the
397 Apennine chain. The Nb/Yb vs. Th/Yb and Nb vs. Nb/U plots point out significant differences
398 between the regional geochemistry of MORB and within-plate mafic rocks, and that of Somma and
399 the other volcanic rocks of the southern RMP (Fig. 5a, b). The shift to high Th/Yb and lower Nb/U
400 compared to the MORB-WPB array indicates a differential enrichment in Th and U, at different Nb
401 concentrations, which may be related to the degree of "within-plate" enrichment. The latter
402 indicates the effect of fractional crystallization, but also the degree of HFSE enrichment in the
403 mantle source, which is highest for alkaline WPB around the RMP, such as Pietre Nere, Capo
404 Passero (Avanzinelli et al., 2012; Mazzeo et al., 2018), Cretaceous within-plate lamprophyres of the
405 Apennine chain (Stoppa et al., 2014), and other within plate potassic or sodic provinces (such as
406 Madagascar, Virunga, and southeastern Brazil). The mafic rocks of Ischia, Procida, Phlegrean
407 Fields, and Somma-Vesuvius, although having a markedly distinct composition, are also different
408 from the rocks of the potassic-ultrapotassic volcanic rocks from Roccamonfina to the Alban Hills.
409 There is another interesting aspect related to the different genesis and geochemistry of the Pre-
410 Miocene Apennine magmatism and the post-Miocene magmatism of the Tyrrhenian Sea margin,
411 which implies that the K-enrichment of the sources is recent and not related to older (i.e.,
412 Hercynian, Late Paleozoic) collisional event (e.g., Gaeta et al., 2016), where also potassic silica-
413 undersaturated magmatism is exceedingly rare. The La/Nb vs. Ba/Nb and La_N/Yb_N vs. Ba/Nb plots
414 highlight that the mafic rocks of the Campanian district plot differently from the rest of the RMP
415 rocks, being displaced at higher Ba/Nb for a given La/Nb (Fig. 5c, d). The shift almost disappears
416 when the REE fractionation is considered, with only the composition of MORB and WPB being
417 significantly different.

418 The Zr/Nb vs. Nb/U and Zr/Nb vs. Th/U plots also highlight peculiar aspects of the selective
419 elemental enrichment of the Italian volcanic rocks (Fig. 5e, f): the displacement of the potassic-
420 ultrapotassic rocks from the MORB-WPB trend is the largest at high Zr/Hf, with the largest U
421 enrichment found in the Alban Hills, Roccamonfina and Middle Latin Valley, and the markedly
422 higher Th/U ratios of the Roccamonfina, Alban Hills and Middle Latin Valley rocks compared to

423 those of the Campanian volcanoes, including Somma-Vesuvius. The type of sediment addition
424 provides evidence that adding bulk compositions of the sedimentary rocks (e.g., Klaver et al., 2015;
425 Balassone et al., 2016; Zhang et al., 2017; Woelki et al., 2018) are not in the highest Ba/Nb and
426 La/Nb field of the diagrams and thus do not fully reproduce the trend, suggesting that sediment-
427 derived fluids and melts, rather than direct sediment addition, were the components that
428 metasomatized the mantle source and imparted the potassic/ultrapotassic signature to the magmas.
429 Compared to other silica-undersaturated ultrapotassic magmas of the Latian district, those of
430 Somma-Vesuvius and those of the other Neapolitan volcanoes have significantly lower $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$,
431 and higher $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ and $^{206}\text{Pb}/^{204}\text{Pb}$ (e.g., Conticelli et al., 2002, 2007, 2010a, b, 2015 and
432 references therein; Di Renzo et al., 2007). In turn, the peculiar composition of the radiogenic
433 isotope systematics is again attributed to the recycling of carbonate-bearing crustal materials (e.g.,
434 Avanzinelli et al., 2009; Conticelli et al., 2010, 2015). The involvement of such materials has been
435 demonstrated by cross-checking different geochemical tools. The evidence provided by U-series
436 and non-traditional stable isotopes (Mo and U) suggests that although limestone assimilation could
437 potentially occur and influence major element concentrations, the same process is not able to
438 significantly affect the isotopic composition and the elemental abundances of Vesuvius rocks
439 (Avanzinelli et al., 2018; Casalini et al., 2019). On the other hand, partial melting experiments on
440 carbonate-rich sediments at subarc conditions (P-T) may indicate that the stabilization of phases,
441 such as epidote, influences the geochemical budget of the mantle source and, consequently, of
442 subduction-derived products (e.g., Skora et al., 2015). In the case of Somma-Vesuvius, the presence
443 of residual epidote during the partial melting of subducted Ca-rich sediments could explain the
444 formation of magmas enriched in U over Th (but also in the relative proportions of other trace
445 elements, such as Ce and Mo) and with the typical signature of both radiogenic and stable isotopes
446 (i.e., ^{238}U -excess, $\delta^{238}\text{U}$, $\delta^{98}\text{Mo}$; Avanzinelli et al., 2018; Casalini et al., 2019). In this context, the
447 lithological control of the metasediments involved in the ultimate petrogenesis of the magmas in the
448 southern part of the RMP is an important parameter to consider.

449 The geochemical and isotopic comparison of the Somma lavas with the mafic products of
450 the neighboring volcanoes (the Solchiaro basalts of Procida, the Grotta di Terra dyke and Arso lava,
451 and the Zaro mafic inclusions of Ischia) is reported in the Figs. 4, 6 and 7. Two main aspects are
452 highlighted: (1) the imprint of crustal materials in the mantle source of the Ischian and Phlegrean
453 magmas is much less pronounced than in the source of the Mt. Somma magmas; (2) the mantle
454 sources of the Campanian volcanic district are to be considered isotopically and geochemically
455 heterogeneous and only generally the result of the same petrogenetic processes in a post-collisional
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7. Conclusions

The Mt. Somma stratocone is characterized by dominant lavas of leucite-bearing to shoshonite composition, significantly less silica undersaturated than the recent Vesuvius (*s.s.*) Great Cone analogues at the same level of differentiation and characterized by a generally evolved composition. The petrographic differences observed in the magma groups are not reflected in the geochemistry and Sr-Nd-O isotopic compositions, which overlap. Crustal contamination en route to the surface, in particular interaction with the carbonate lithologies beneath Somma-Vesuvius, is shown to be widespread in the skarn xenoliths occurring in the Vesuvius (*s.s.*) volcanic rocks, but the subduction-related trace element signature of the Somma lavas (as well as the younger Vesuvius lavas) argues for a dominant role of deep sedimentary contamination in the mantle source prior to partial melting. This is a geologically recent feature acquired in a moderately enriched mantle source, more limited in extent when compared to the strongly sediment-modified mantle in the Latian districts of the northern Roman Magmatic Province. The leucite-bearing Somma lavas have very little in common with the rocks belonging to the neighboring volcanic areas (Ischia, Procida and Phlegrean Fields), confirming once again the peculiar characteristics of the independent feeding systems, liquid descent lines and periods of activity.

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831 Figure Captions

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833 Figure 1. Distribution of potassic and ultrapotassic volcanism associated with calc-alkaline rocks in
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835 Cenozoic igneous rocks from peninsular Italy and Sicily with within-plate geochemical
836 characteristics. The large arrow indicates the point of toroidal inflow through slab rifts.

837 Figure 2. Sketch map of the Somma-Vesuvius complex with red dots indicating the location of the
838 samples studied. The dashed lines represent the boundaries of the craters of Somma (in
839 blue), and Vesuvius (in magenta) as also reported in (a). (b) Location of Somma-Vesuvius.
840 (c) Simplified geological map of Mt. Somma and Vesuvius, showing the outcrops of
841 different eruptions.

842 Figure 3. (a) K_2O vs Na_2O diagram of Middlemost (1975) for the Somma samples and the lava of
843 1944 CE. (b) K_2O vs. SiO_2 diagram (Di Girolamo, 1984) for the Somma samples and the
844 1944 CE lava. The 1631-1944 volcanic products are shown. (c) TAS (Le Bas et al., 1986)
845 and (d) R_1 - R_2 (de la Roche et al., 1980) classification diagrams for the Somma samples and
846 1944 CE lava. The data used for comparison are from the following references: Avanzinelli
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851 Figure 4. Chondrite-normalized REE patterns for Mt. Somma lavas and dikes and 1944 CE lava
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855 (1989).

856 Figure 5. (a-b) Nb/Yb vs. Th/Yb and Nb ppm vs. Nb/U ; (c-d) La/Nb vs. Ba/Nb and La_N/Yb_N vs.
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862 (1998); Stoppa et al. (2014); Avanzinelli et al., (2018); Woelki et al. (2018); Klaver et al.
863 (2015); Lustrino et al. (2012); Guarino et al. (2013); Fedele et al. (2008); De Astis et al.
864 (2006).

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866 1944 CE compared with Mt. Vulture, Procida, Alban Hills, Roccamonfina, Ventotene, and
867 Middle Latin Valley rocks (Beccaluva et al., 1991, 2002; Boari et al., 2009a, b; Conticelli et
868 al., 2009b; De Astis et al., 2006). The normalization values are from Lyubetskaya and
869 Korenaga (2007).

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875 (2018); Rosatelli et al. (2023).

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883 Fe_2O_3 , Na_2O , TiO_2 , K_2O , P_2O_5 , in wt%). The 1631-1944 CE volcanic products are from
884 Belkin et al. (1993).

885 Supplementary Figure 3. Variation diagrams of MgO (wt%) vs. some trace elements (Sr, Ba, Rb,
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887 Belkin et al. (1993).

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889 unevolved lavas from Mt Somma and Mt Vesuvius magmatic activity with respect their
890 degree of interaction with crustal CO_2 before/during differentiation. As the MgO decreases,
891 the differentiation proceeds and the $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values increase, indicating a higher degree of
892 carbonate contamination. The stability of olivine likely indicates the presence of dolomitic
893 carbonate in the assimilated material. (b, c) AFC model (DePaolo, 1981) assuming the most

894 primitive lava of this study and limestone and marl contaminants, as representative of the
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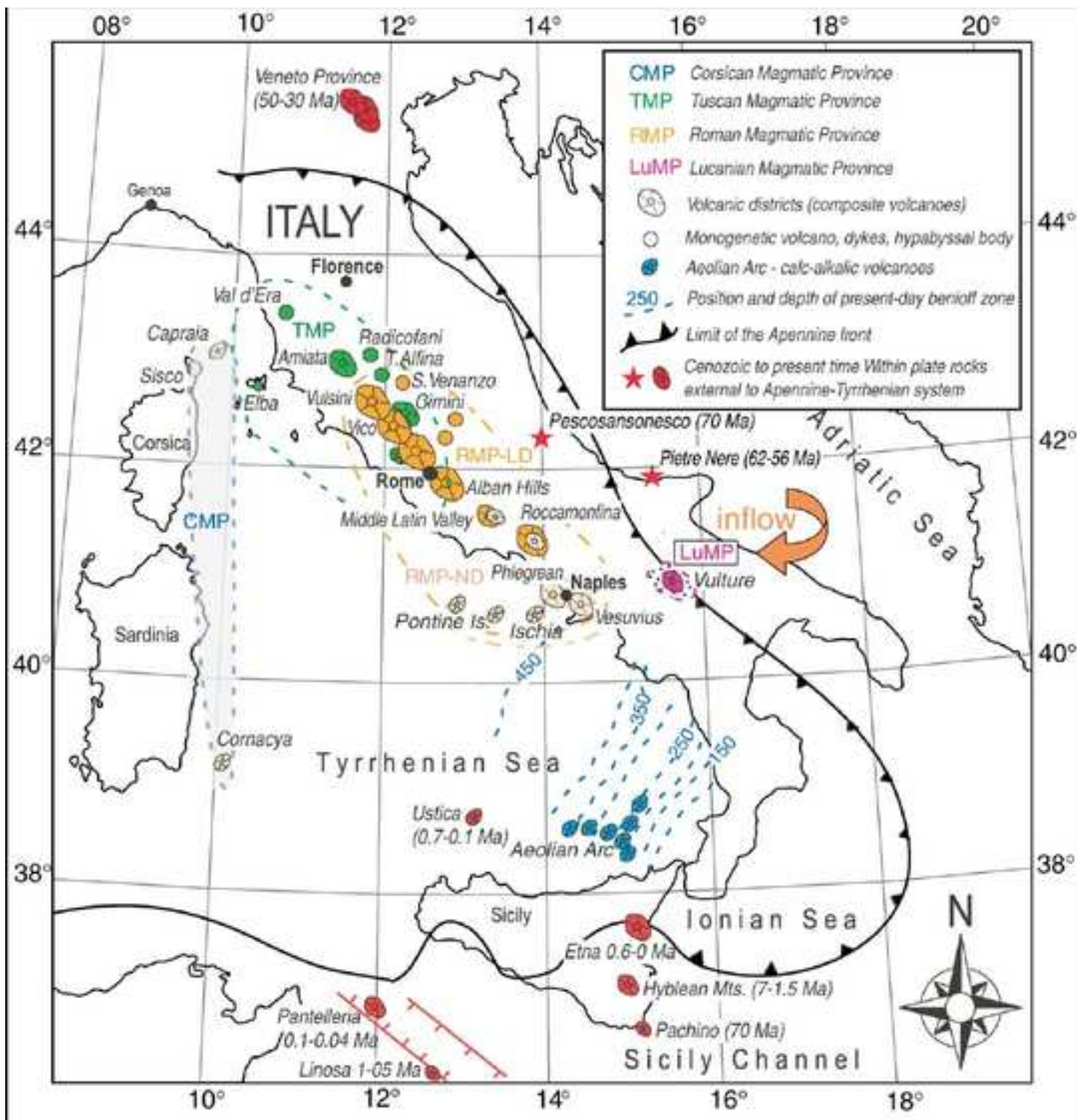


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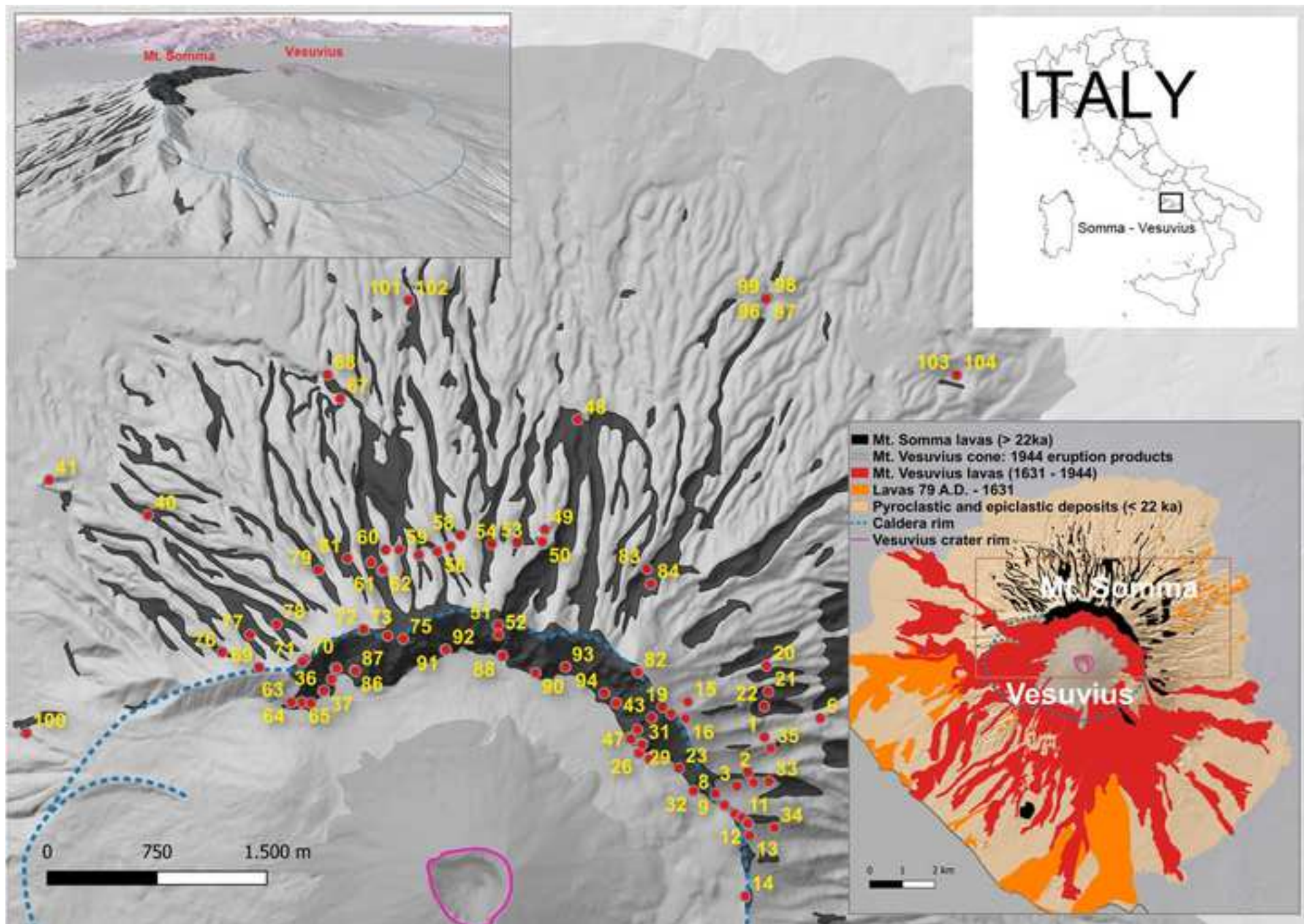
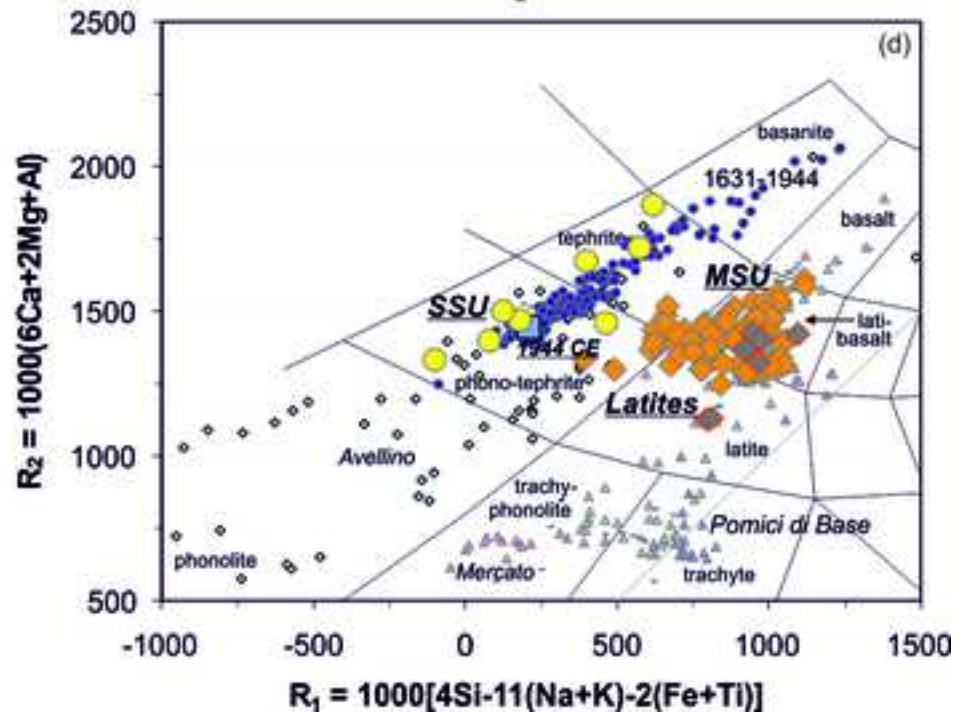
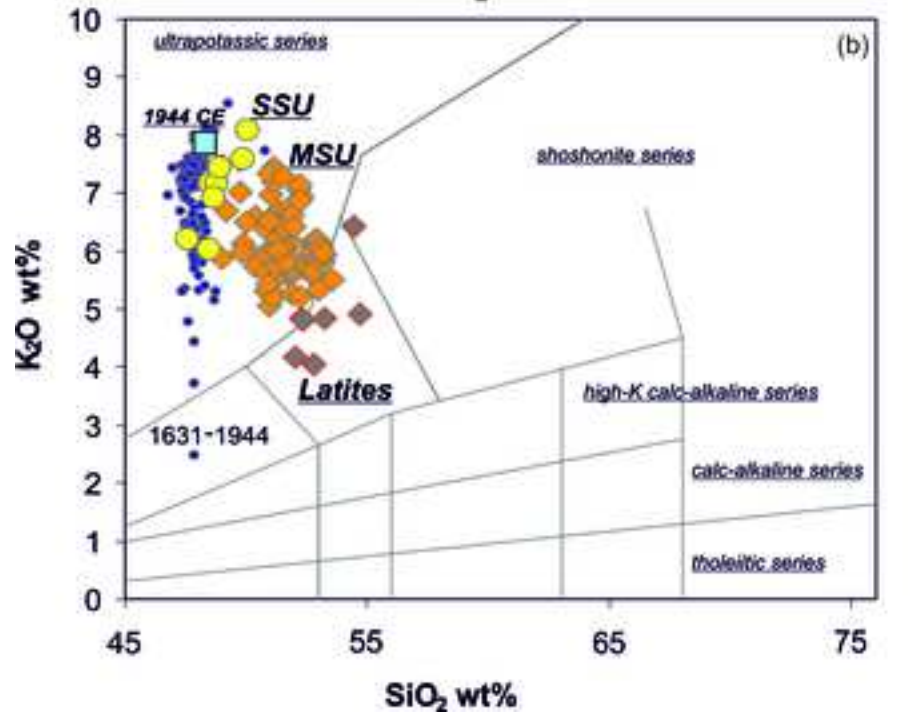
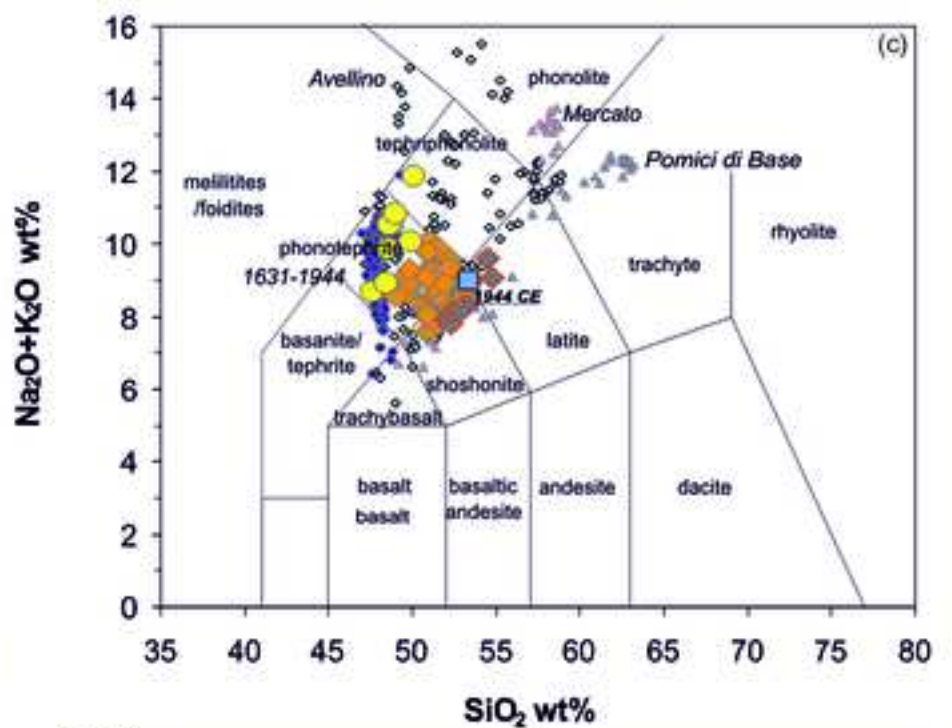
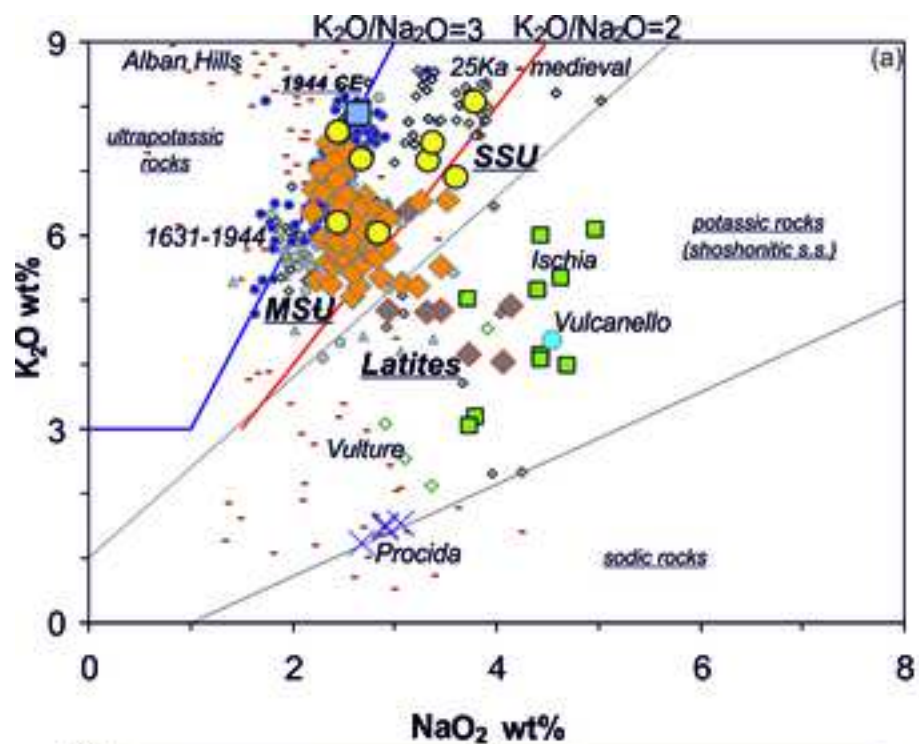
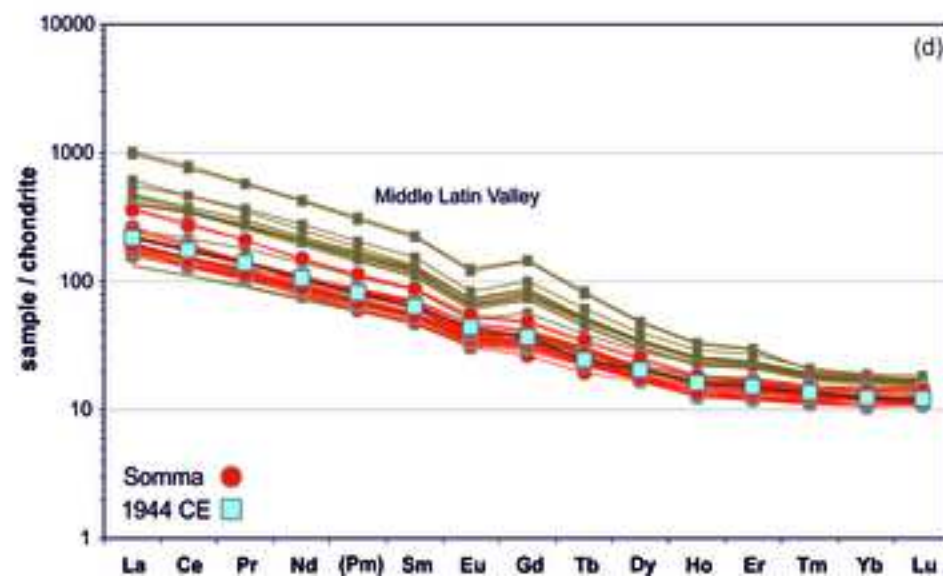
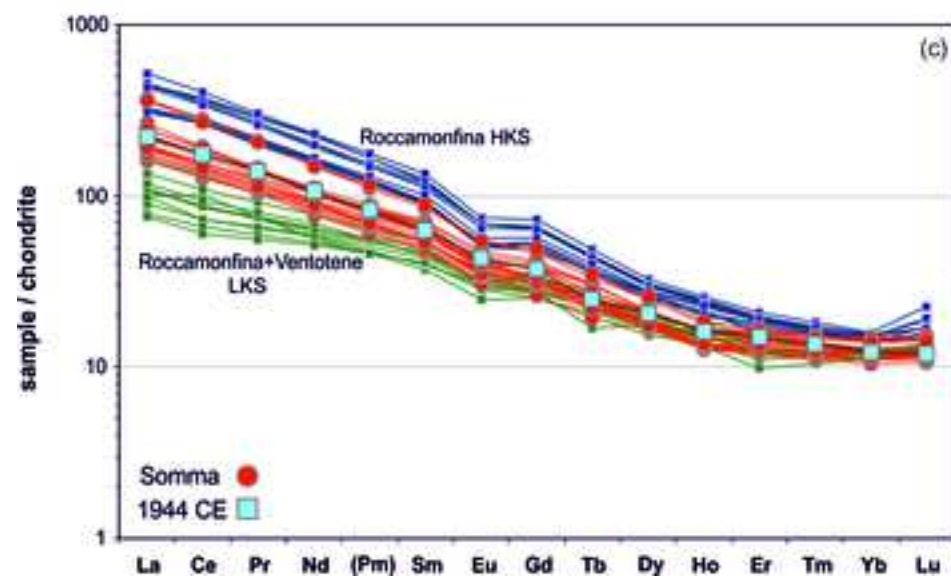
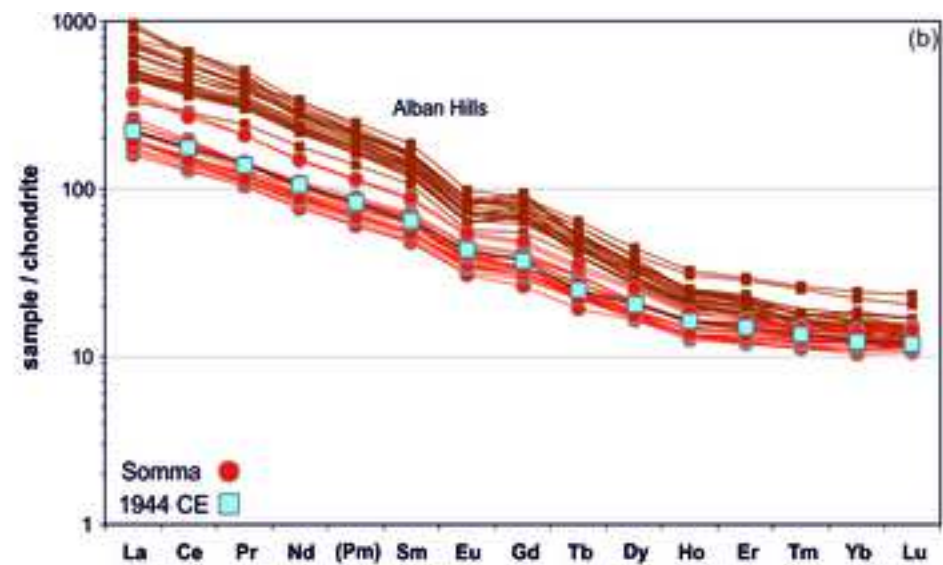
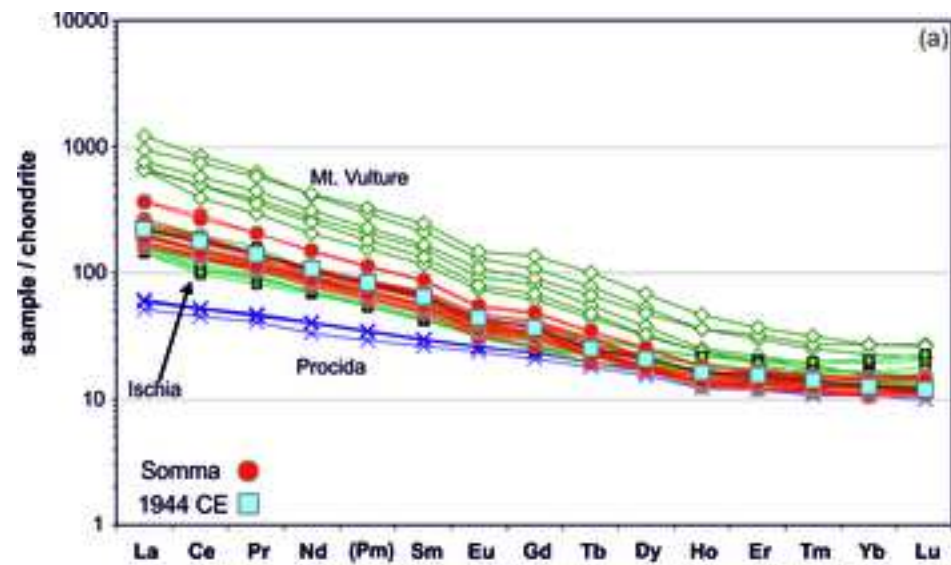
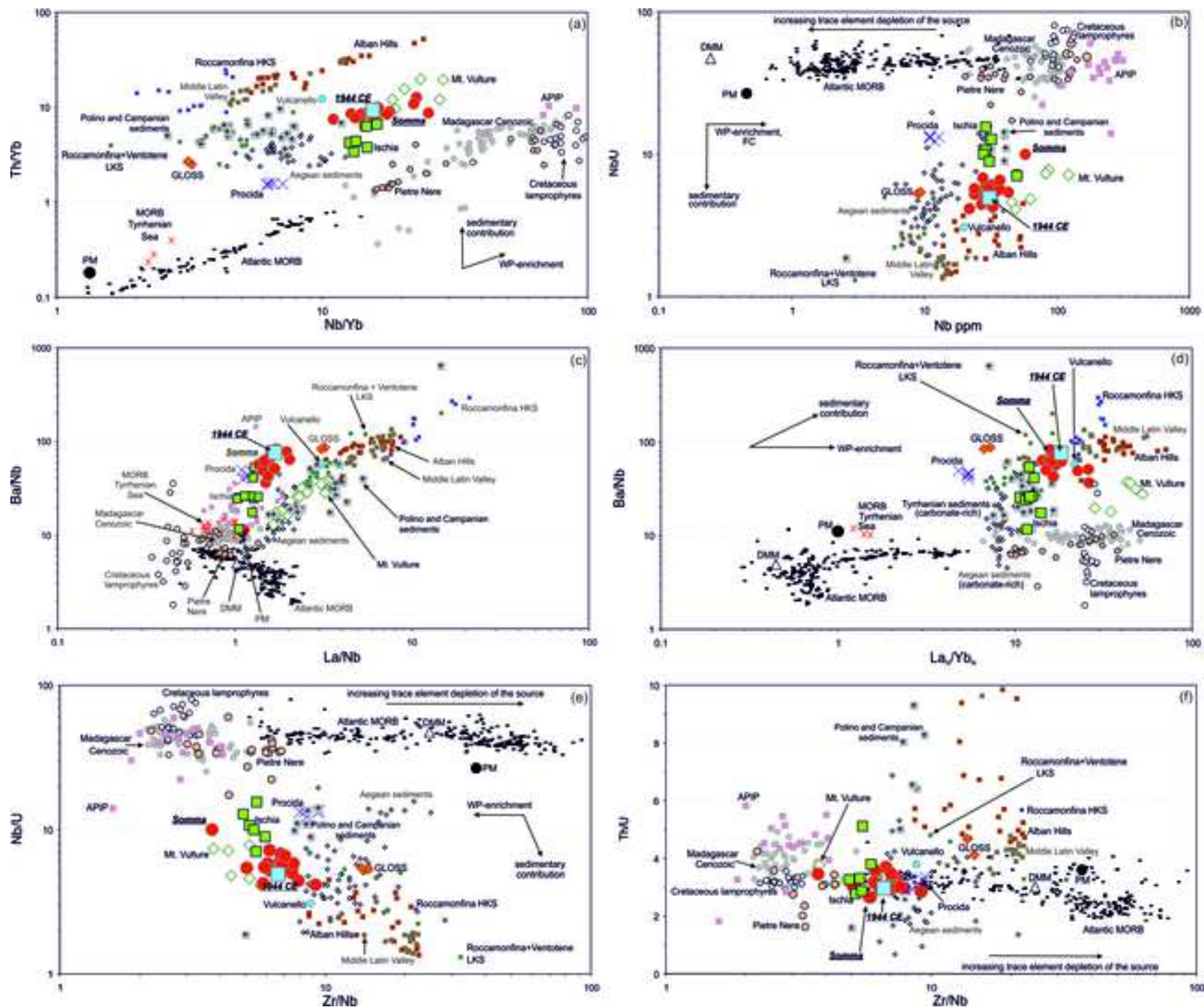


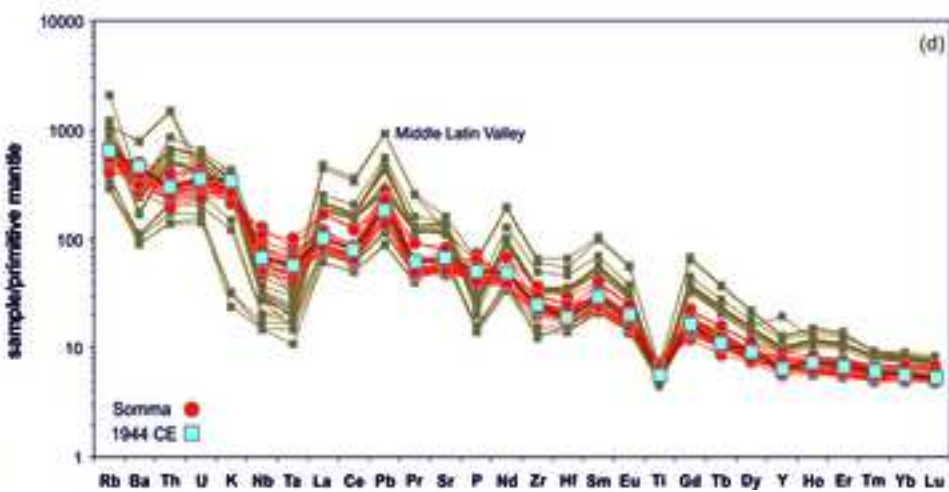
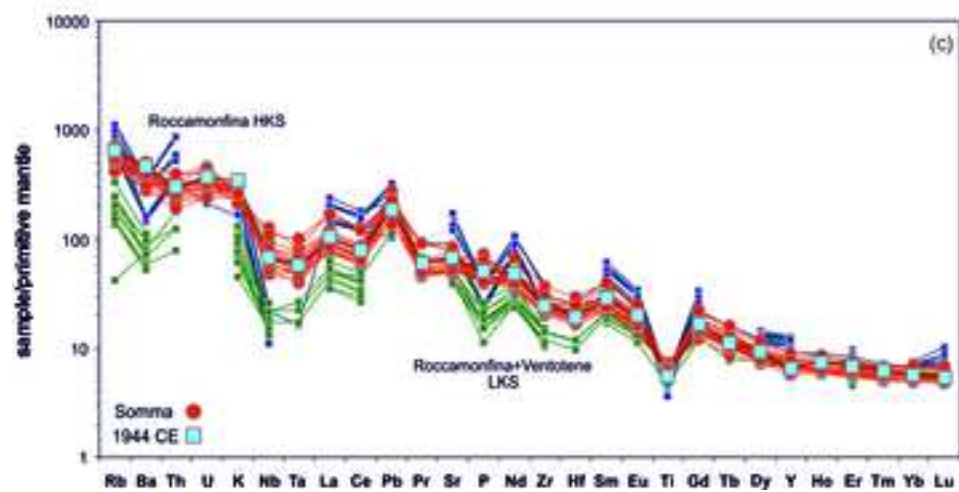
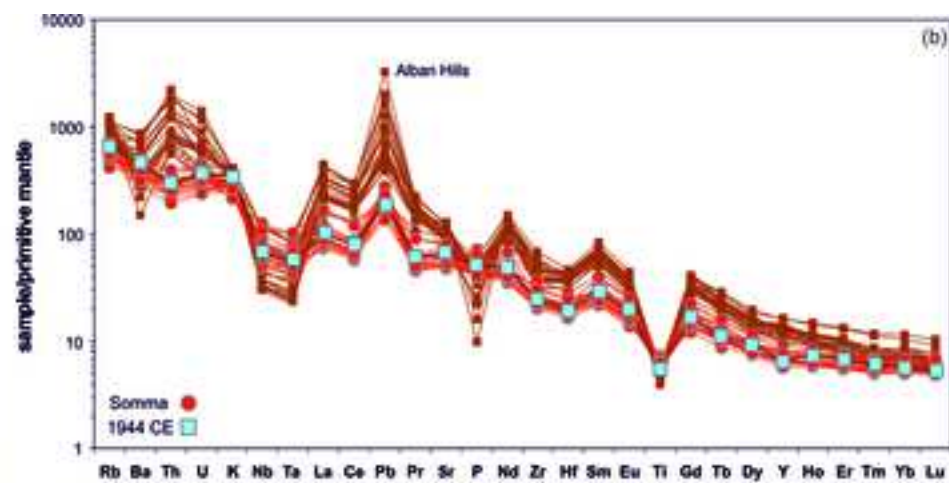
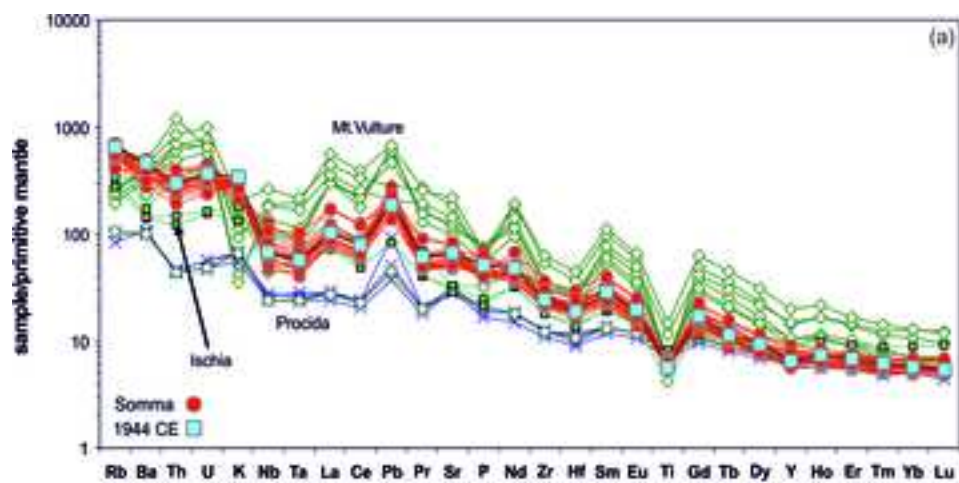
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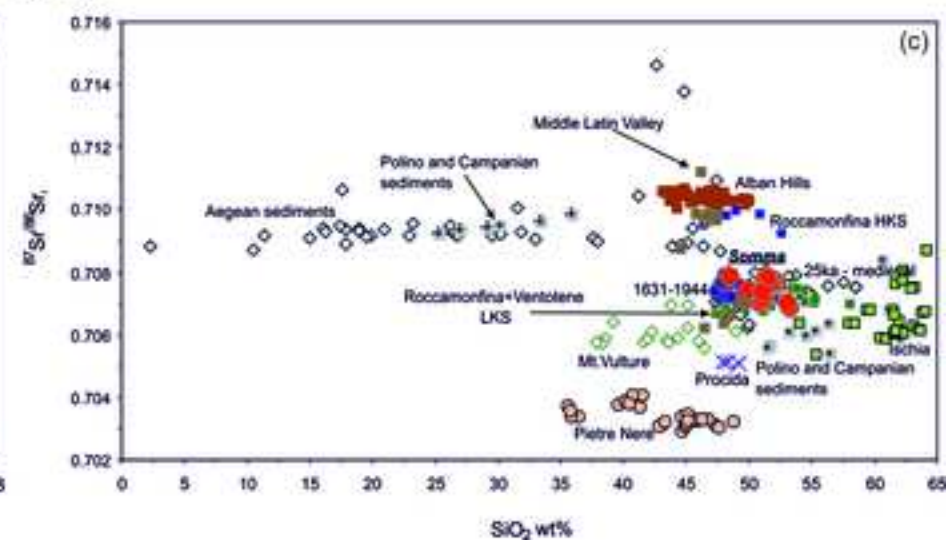
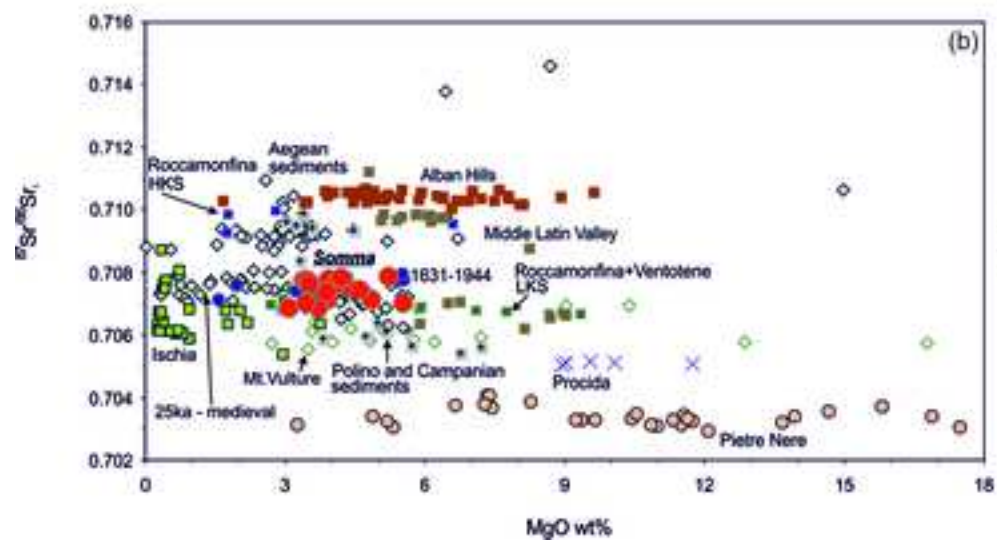
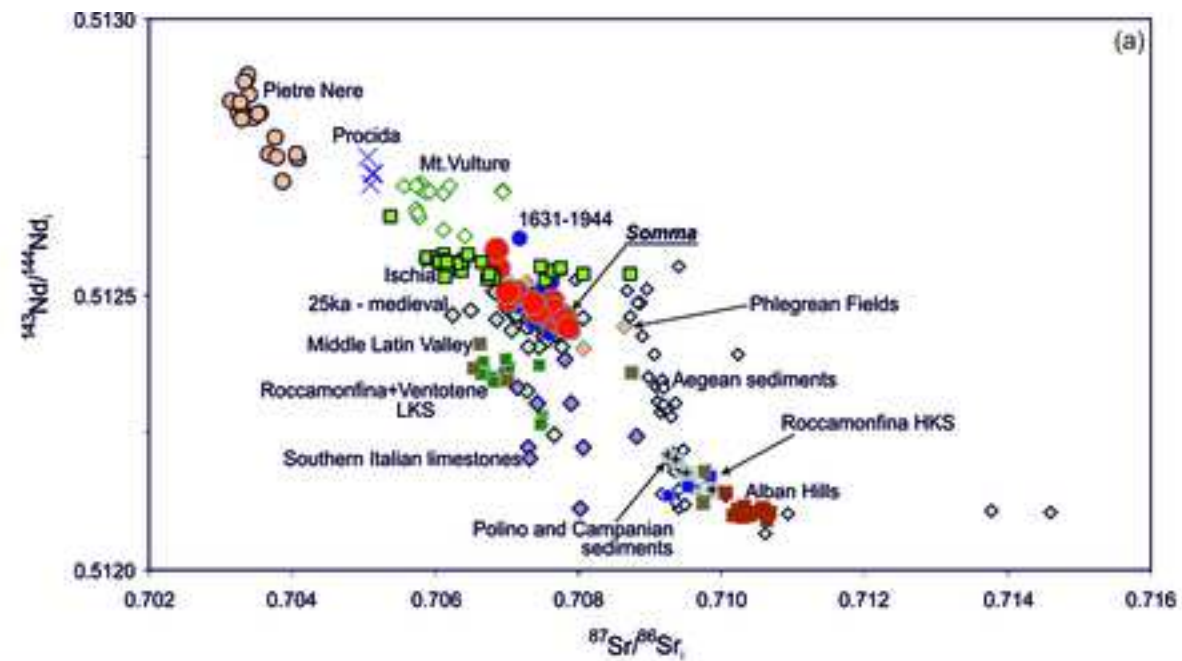


Table 1. New major (wt.%) and trace elements (ppm) analyses and Sr isotopes of the Somma lavas and dikes.

Sample	SSU group			MSU group														Latite group		V44lava	
	MRL3	MRL19	MRL97V	MRL59	MRL25	MRL41	MRL43	MRL74	MRL32	MRL6	MRL27	MRL50	MRL91	MRL24	MRL48	MRL35	MRL21	MRL37	MRL103		MRL104
Type	lava	lava	lava	lava	dyke	lava	lava	lava	lava	lava	lava	lava	lava	dyke	lava	lava	lava	lava	lava	lava	lava
SiO ₂ (wt%)	49.93	48.49	51.01	50.86	51.09	49.84	51.16	51.51	51.70	51.28	51.20	52.20	53.26	51.92	51.93	53.07	51.54	53.24	53.12	53.10	48.31
TiO ₂	1.11	0.99	1.09	1.02	0.99	1.15	0.97	0.91	0.88	0.97	0.91	0.87	1.02	0.97	0.94	0.96	0.91	1.00	1.00	1.01	0.88
Al ₂ O ₃	16.31	16.06	16.89	16.15	16.78	16.19	17.27	17.41	17.27	17.82	17.75	17.36	17.06	17.27	17.84	17.62	17.85	17.57	17.64	17.56	18.57
Fe ₂ O ₃	8.61	8.45	7.91	8.52	8.11	8.80	8.25	7.95	8.08	7.53	7.27	7.26	7.99	8.34	7.32	7.93	7.13	7.73	7.82	7.85	8.26
MnO	0.15	0.15	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.15	0.14	0.14	0.13	0.13	0.12	0.12	0.13	0.14	0.12	0.13	0.12	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.15
MgO	4.58	5.21	3.88	5.53	4.86	4.38	4.32	4.19	4.10	3.94	3.91	3.86	3.71	3.52	3.47	3.45	3.40	3.07	3.28	3.13	3.55
CaO	9.01	10.63	7.56	9.43	9.22	9.09	8.82	8.27	8.19	8.61	8.12	7.98	7.52	7.50	8.15	7.25	8.13	7.42	7.51	7.32	8.46
Na ₂ O	2.66	2.76	3.49	2.09	2.24	2.82	2.49	2.46	2.78	2.68	2.49	2.30	3.47	2.33	2.49	2.71	2.51	2.81	2.56	2.78	2.65
K ₂ O	6.12	6.04	6.55	5.31	5.60	5.97	5.52	6.14	5.80	5.97	7.18	7.07	4.85	6.80	6.62	5.91	7.30	5.99	5.95	6.06	7.87
P ₂ O ₅	1.01	0.81	0.97	0.60	0.61	1.09	0.62	0.59	0.62	0.68	0.66	0.61	0.63	0.81	0.71	0.61	0.70	0.64	0.61	0.67	0.76
LOI	0.14	0.71	0.39	0.03	0.24	0.06	0.06	0.32	0.08	0.24	0.13	0.08	0.06	0.01	0.36	1.09	0.15	0.42	0.51	0.65	0.39
sum	99.6	100.3	99.9	99.7	99.9	99.5	99.6	99.9	99.6	99.9	99.7	99.7	99.7	99.6	100.0	100.7	99.7	100.0	100.1	100.3	99.8
Sc (ppm)	21	24	14	27	24	22	20	21	18	19	18	21	18	17	17	17	14	16	18	17	13
V	212	219	250	202	254	183	201	185	155	188	191	202	238	219	195	206	177	228	148	157	212
Cr	100	bdl	bdl	74	bdl	60	109	56	62	60	90	6	50	90	10	40	bdl	53	bdl	bdl	30
Ni	46	32	20	37	30	30	47	36	40	30	47	16	40	50	18	30	28	35	bdl	bdl	20
Cu	59	95	120	70	120	80	68	61	58	80	52	45	50	80	59	60	56	93	30	40	110
Zn	69	88	80	75	70	60	69	78	78	70	83	83	80	80	88	80	88	84	90	90	80
Rb	214	302	321	271	322	325	188	242	267	264	247	256	230	280	254	294	244	241	255	242	298
Sr	750	993	1089	834	1006	753	806	938	849	1014	790	839	1225	957	892	1210	834	1305	958	984	1080
Y	25	27	23	21	23	19	21	22	23	20	24	23	27	22	23	22	24	30	26	26	22
Zr	201	215	192	180	201	170	178	195	222	191	188	219	217	207	220	217	230	309	255	260	205
Nb	22	27	33	25	33	24	24	29	32	31	28	29	58	35	29	43	30	50	37	37	31
Cs	12.4	17.7	19.0	13.1	15.0	19.6	10.0	12.3	13.6	14.5	9.9	12.5	12.8	14.1	12.3	15.8	12.5	13.4	13.4	13.3	17.6
Ba	1410	2120	2187	1622	2064	1783	1985	2281	1820	2370	1400	1869	2122	2139	2006	2109	1880	2559	1577	1587	2359
La	44.6	53.2	51.8	37.5	51.7	39.8	41.3	46.5	44.1	50.5	41.4	44.3	86.8	52.9	46.0	61.9	44.5	84.6	57.3	57.1	52.3
Ce	93.1	107.7	107.0	77.0	106.0	79.8	84.1	94.2	87.8	102.0	83.0	89.7	171.0	107.0	93.9	118.0	88.2	161.9	113	115	106
Pr	11.3	12.8	12.4	9.2	12.3	9.29	9.8	11.0	10.1	11.7	9.7	10.5	18.5	12.3	10.9	12.7	10.2	18.5	12.8	12.9	12.4
Nd	46.7	50.1	47.6	36.0	46.7	34.7	37.3	42.0	39.9	42.8	38.6	40.3	66.8	46.7	40.8	45.6	39.9	67.6	47	48.6	48.2
Sm	10.3	10.5	10.0	7.2	10.0	7	7.5	8.5	8.1	9.1	7.9	7.9	12.5	9.7	8.0	9.0	7.8	13.0	9	9.2	9.4
Eu	2.5	2.7	2.3	1.8	2.3	1.71	1.9	2.2	2.0	2.2	2.1	1.9	3.0	2.2	2.0	2.1	2.0	3.1	2.2	2.3	2.45
Gd	7.9	8.2	7.4	5.7	7.6	5.2	5.9	6.7	6.1	6.8	6.6	6.1	9.3	7.6	6.2	6.4	6.2	9.7	6.8	6.7	7.3
Tb	1.1	1.1	1.0	0.8	1.1	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.8	1.2	1.0	0.8	0.8	0.9	1.3	0.9	1	0.9
Dy	5.2	5.2	5.0	4.1	5.2	4	4.2	4.4	4.3	4.5	4.6	4.3	6.0	5.0	4.3	4.4	4.3	6.2	5.2	5.2	5
Ho	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.7	0.9	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	1.0	0.9	0.7	0.8	0.8	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.9
Er	2.3	2.5	2.4	1.9	2.5	1.9	1.9	2.0	2.0	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.7	2.3	2.0	2.3	2.1	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.4
Tm	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.27	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.35	0.37	0.33
Yb	2.0	2.1	2.1	1.8	2.0	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.9	1.9	2.0	2.3	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.9	2.3	2.4	2.4	2
Lu	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.26	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.37	0.36	0.29
Hf	4.9	4.6	4.5	4.1	5.0	3.7	4.0	4.3	4.6	4.3	4.2	4.9	5.1	4.6	4.8	4.3	4.8	6.6	5.6	5.7	4.3
Ta	1.3	1.4	1.8	1.6	1.8	1.2	1.5	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.4	1.8	2.5	1.9	1.9	2.3	1.6	3.1	2	2.2	1.7
Pb	bdl	36.3	30.0	23.5	31.0	30	27.6	33.7	23.6	29.0	19.6	29.7	26.0	30.0	29.1	40.0	29.2	33.4	33	31	27
Th	15.0	18.3	20.7	14.3	18.2	14.7	13.9	17.8	16.1	18.6	12.0	17.3	20.1	17.0	17.9	24.3	16.0	24.8	19.6	19.5	18.7
U	5.3	6.1	7.8	4.9	5.7	4.6	4.2	4.8	5.3	5.9	4.1	5.5	5.8	6.4	5.9	7.9	5.3	6.9	6.5	5.6	6.3
⁸⁷ Sr/ ⁸⁶ Sr	0.70743	0.70786	0.70737	0.70703	0.70713		0.70751	0.70782	0.70765	0.70781	0.70712	0.70769	0.70687	0.70763	0.70777	0.70701	0.70776	0.70688			
2s *10 ⁶	±7	±8	±6	±6	±6		±7	±7	±7	±5	±7	±7	±6	±5	±7	±5	±6	±7			
¹⁴³ Nd/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.51247	0.51244	0.51249	0.51249	0.51250		0.51248	0.51245	0.51247	0.51246	0.51250	0.51246	0.51258	0.51249	0.51244	0.51250	0.51245	0.51255			
2s *10 ⁶	±4	±5	±6	±5	±6		±5	±4	±4	±5	±5	±5	±6	±4	±4	±5	±4	±5			

Note: bdl, below detection limits

Table 2. Oxygen isotopes on olivine and clinopyroxenes separated from the most representative Somma samples.

	sample	type	$\delta^{18}\text{O}/^{16}\text{O}_{\text{cpx}}$ (‰)	$\delta^{18}\text{O}/^{16}\text{O}_{\text{ol}}$ (‰)
SSU group	MRL19	lava	7.25	
	MRL82	lava	7.38	
MSU group	MRL59	lava	6.47	6.51
	MRL21	lava	6.81	7.20
	MRL100	lava	7.02	6.77
	MRL23	lava	6.76	6.56
	MRL24	dyke	6.31	6.83
	MRL27	lava	6.83	6.86
	MRL38	lava	6.55	6.39
	MRL37	lava	7.04	
	MRL7	lava	6.77	
	MRL93	dyke	6.81	
	MRL48	lava		6.99
Latite group	MRL51	lava	6.66	6.69
	MRL103	lava	7.90	



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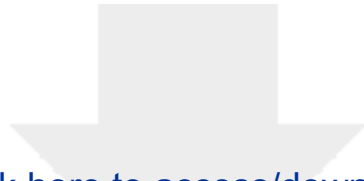


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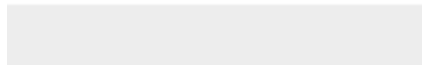


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Highlights

Mt. Somma is significantly less silica undersaturated than the recent Vesuvius Cone

Geochemical and Sr-Nd-O data of the Somma rocks indicate subduction-related affinity

Subducted sedimentary rocks dominate the Somma trace element signature

Somma and Vesuvius lavas have an independent feeding system compared to RMP

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