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Identifying the ingredients of hydrous arc magmas: insights from Mt Lamington, Papua New Guinea

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Volcanism is the surface expression of magma intrusion, crystallization, assimilation and hybridization processes operating throughout the crust over a range of time periods. Many magmas, including those erupted at subduction zones, have complex textures that reflect these processes. Here, we use textural and geochemical characteristics of calcic amphiboles to help identify multiple ingredients of subduction zone magmatism at Mt Lamington volcano, Papua New Guinea. Our approach uses existing trace element partitioning schemes to calculate the compositions of amphibole equilibrium melts (AEMs). The AEM compositions show that Mt Lamington andesites and plutonic enclaves are dominated by fractionation of amphibole + plagioclase + biotite, with assimilation of plagioclase and zircon. Magnesiohastingsite crystals in the andesite and diktytaxitic mafic enclaves reflect multiple episodes of recharge by more primitive, geochemically variable melts. The andesite also contains clots with rounded grains and melt on grain boundaries. These features indicate slow crystallization, and the retention of melt films could significantly enhance the potential for remobilization of crystals by infiltrating melts or during magma mixing. Variations in crystallization conditions could thus significantly affect the mush microstructure. We suggest that this could result in a significant bias of the volcanic record towards the preferential incorporation of more slowly cooled plutonic material from the lower crust or from more thermally mature plumbing systems.

1. Introduction

The ability to interpret the crustal-scale structure of magmatic plumbing systems beneath active volcanoes is of great interest, because it may help us to understand eruptive activity at the surface. Understanding the nature of the magmatic plumbing system could aid the interpretation of surface gas emissions and other precursory volcanic activity. The whole-rock composition of samples erupted at the surface can bear fundamental clues to the origins of magmatism and nature of melting conditions. However, the textures and compositions of crystals are often complex, as a result of interactions and processes happening during different stages of growth [1]. Whole-rock compositions, therefore, represent a time-integrated average of different processes, commonly including multiple episodes of magma mixing [2–6]. It is therefore critical to understand the significance of variations in mineral textures and geochemistry, in order to see through any whole-rock averaging processes and gain insights into the details of the processes operating in different parts of the volcanic plumbing system.

Mineral and melt studies are important in defining the potential range of pressures and temperatures of magma generation and storage, as well as the chemical composition of host melts. The trace element compositions of minerals are derived from the characteristics of their host melts, which means that knowledge of crystal–melt partitioning can be used to reconstruct the chemistry of the parental melt during crystallization. Here we focus on subduction (arc) settings, where magmas are particularly rich in dissolved volatiles. In these settings, amphiboles can be used to examine diverse host melt compositions, because they are a common constituent of subduction zone magmas, are stable across a wide range of pressure, temperature and melt composition (P – T – X), and incorporate essential volatiles. Unlike many other minerals, the structure of amphiboles contains four different cation sites of different shapes and sizes, which can incorporate an array of trace elements with a different charge, radius and electronegativity. The trace element signatures of amphiboles can, therefore, be used to give a new depth of information about the range of processes operating underneath active subduction zone volcanoes. Here we discuss the causes of variable amphibole geochemistry in magmas erupted at Mt Lamington, Papua New Guinea, combining textural observations with novel geochemical interpretations based on a recent amphibole–melt trace element partitioning scheme. We show that the system records a long history of mixing of chemically variable, small-volume basaltic-andesite to andesite melts, interacting with more evolved magmas undergoing *in situ* differentiation. We also show that the textures of intrusive mushy materials, found incorporated in the eruptive products as small inclusions, are critical in determining their tendency to be remobilized and assimilated by later pulses of magma. This suggests that volcanic products may show a systematic bias towards preferential remobilization of slowly cooled plutonic material and thermally mature volcanic systems, over more rapidly cooled materials or thermally immature systems.

2. Magmatic crystal textures

Igneous rock textures typically include four categories of crystals [7]: (i) phenocrysts—crystals that grew directly from the magmatic system; (ii) antecrysts—crystals derived from the magmatic system (*sensu lato*; see [8]); (iii) xenocrysts—foreign crystals derived from external sources; and (iv) microlites—small grains growing directly from the late-stage melt, immediately prior to or during eruption. When using crystal chemistry and textures to interpret magmatic processes, it is essential to consider the extent of local equilibration at every step; this changes as a function of spatial length scale and equilibration time [9]. However, it has been recognized

that in many systems, magmas probably reside in a largely mushy state for significant parts of their lifetime (e.g. [10–13]), and that magma assembly involves late-stage reorganization and juxtaposition of components from different sources prior to eruption (e.g. [4,14–18]). In many intermediate (andesite to dacite) magmas, it is hard to classify crystals as either ‘antecrysts’ or ‘phenocrysts’ because they incorporate multiple stages of crystallization, resorption and regrowth under conditions that may be variably out of equilibrium with the carrier liquid. Thus, they represent materials that have experienced numerous transitions between different physical (mushy or melt-rich, variable temperature and pressure) and chemical (varying melt composition) environments over extended periods of time and space within the magmatic system (e.g. [19]). The crystal zoning therefore represents a capsule of information about the variability in P – T – X conditions that can help us to understand the physical architecture of the magmatic plumbing system.

3. Geological background

Mt Lamington is an active, dome-forming andesitic volcano located on the southeastern Papuan peninsula, where volcanic activity has occurred since the Middle Miocene [20]. There are three other Quaternary edifices in the region, including Mt Victory, Mt Trafalgar and Hydrographers Range (fig. 1 of [21] and references therein). Mt Lamington has only three confirmed Holocene eruptions; the most recent was a Peléean-style eruption that began in 1951 with a large explosion and was followed by persistent dome growth [22]. The tectonic setting of the wider region is complex, with the locus of volcanism apparently decoupled from regions of active subduction, as the Trobriand Trough to the north lacks a seismically defined Benioff Zone [23,24]. Johnson *et al.* [25] suggested that the present activity may be a result of decompression melting of the previously subduction-modified mantle. Mt Lamington overlies a thick sequence of ophiolite material known as the Papuan Ultramafic Belt (PUB, [26,27]), which has been interpreted as a source of the high Ni and Cr concentrations of whole rocks [23].

Previous studies have described the whole-rock geochemistry and petrology of eruptive products from Mt Lamington, focusing on the origin of Ni and Cr enrichment and the source of sulfate [23], and on defining the variations in mineral chemistry and constraining the formation of the 1951 andesite [21]. Arculus *et al.* [23] attributed the broad geochemical variations seen in the amphiboles to interactions with, and contamination by, partially melted ophiolite material from the PUB. The andesites contain partially equilibrated olivines (Fo_{81–88}) in varying stages of reaction with the host melt, identified by the crystallization of rims of orthopyroxene + oxide, then amphibole [21,23]. However, these olivine compositions are dissimilar to olivine in xenoliths of the harzburgite and dunite, and the PUB basalts are reported to be rarely olivine-phyric, so instead, the olivines have been attributed to the assimilation of the products of older, more primitive magmas within the Mt Lamington volcanic plumbing system, together with rare clinopyroxene xenocrysts [21]. This finding prompted us to reassess the causes of amphibole geochemical zoning at Mt Lamington, using new trace element data and partitioning methods to reconstruct both major and trace element compositions of the equilibrium melts. The samples studied are those of [21,23] and include andesite lavas, diktytaxitic enclaves and plutonic-textured enclaves collected from the crater area or northern-facing slopes of the 1951 eruption. As described in [21], the andesites are porphyritic with crystallinity greater than or equal to 50% dominated by plagioclase and amphibole with minor biotite, Fe–Ti oxides and pyroxenes, together with xenocrystic olivine. Accessory minerals are apatite + zircon ± anhydrite. The groundmass is variably devitrified, with microlites of plagioclase and oxide and small crystals of amphibole and biotite that may be fragments of larger grains. The diktytaxitic enclaves are vesicular with abundant, elongate crystals and glassy matrix. Plutonic-textured enclaves are coarser grained, with low vesicle content and high overall crystallinity.

(a) Methods

Electron probe micro analyses (EPMA) of amphiboles were carried out at Edinburgh University, using a Cameca SX-100 electron microprobe equipped with five wavelength-dispersive spectrometers. Amphiboles were analysed using a 15 kV accelerating voltage, with 10 nA beam current for major elements and 100 nA for trace elements, and a 10 μm defocused beam. Matrix corrections were conducted using a PAP correction procedure. Calibration standards were wollastonite (for Si, Ca), spinel (Al, Mg), fayalite (Fe), jadeite (Na), orthoclase (K), rutile (Ti), celestite (Sr), pure metal (Mn), NaCl (Cl) and synthetic RbMnF_3 (F). Secondary standards included St John's Island olivine, USGS glass BCR-2G and Lipari obsidian. The dataset builds on that reported by Zhang *et al.* [21].

Trace element concentrations of amphiboles were analysed by laser ablation–inductively coupled plasma–mass spectrometry (LA-ICP-MS) at Durham Geochemistry Centre, Durham University. A NewWave UP193FX laser ablation system was coupled to a Thermo Scientific X-Series 2 quadrupole mass spectrometer. The analyses were carried out on standard polished thin sections after removal of surficial carbon coat. Amphiboles were analysed using a 75 μm laser beam, with a 5 Hz repetition rate, 80% power conditions and output energy of approximately 6.0 mJ. The instrument was optimized to give high sensitivity across the analysed mass range, with low levels of oxide formation, assessed using the ratio U/Th. Each spot was ablated for 60 s (dwell time) with 60 s of washout between ablations. The ablated particles were transported into ICP-MS using a He–Ar carrier gas. NIST-612 was used as the calibration standard and was analysed at the beginning, in the middle and at the end of each run. NIST610, BHVO-2G and BCR-2G were used as secondary standards to monitor and correct for instrumental drift. Data were reduced and processed using Iolite software [28,29] using Ca as the internal standard.

Trace element amphibole–melt partition coefficients were calculated using the relationships given by Humphreys *et al.* [30], which were based on a multiple regression analysis of 145 published experimental measurements of partition coefficients from 13 studies. A summary of the method is given in the electronic supplementary material. The regression data included melt compositions from basanite to rhyolite, and P – T conditions from 200 to 2500 MPa and 780 to 1100°C. The amphiboles crystallized from the experimental studies were calcic amphiboles in the range pargasite–edenite–hastingsite–magnesiopargasite (MgHst)–tschermakite (Tsch)–magnesiopargasite (MgHbl). The analysis takes into account the effect of the major element composition of the amphibole on the trace element partitioning, using amphibole formula components calculated on the basis of 23 oxygens and using the ‘average Fe^{3+} ’ scheme of [31]. The calculations were done independent of pressure and temperature. Having calculated partition coefficients, we used the measured trace element composition of each amphibole analysis to calculate the trace element concentrations of its equilibrium melt. The equivalent major element compositions of the equilibrium melts were calculated following [21,32] (see electronic supplementary materials).

(b) Results

Andesites from Mt Lamington contain approximately 18–26 vol% amphibole, whereas mafic enclaves with diktytaxitic texture contain approximately 40–47 vol% amphibole, as summarized by Zhang *et al.* [21] and Arculus *et al.* [23]. Exchange of crystals between the andesite and mafic enclaves is common, as inferred by the overlap of textures and mineral chemistry [21]. Elongate (framework-forming) grains in mafic enclaves have high Ti, Al_{IV} , Mg# and Al contents (typically 10–13 wt% Al_2O_3) and low FeO and MnO (figure 1). Outer rims of framework-forming grains and large crystals inherited from the andesite record lower Al contents (9–11 wt% Al_2O_3 [21]). Here we will present only data from the framework-forming grains as belonging to the diktytaxitic enclaves (i.e. ignoring inherited crystals); these grains are largely MgHst. The andesite contains MgHbl–edenite phenocrysts that are typically more Al-poor, in the range 7.5–10 wt% Al_2O_3 , with higher MnO and FeO and lower Mg# and Al_{IV} (figure 1). A minority of analyses overlapping with

Figure 1. Amphibole major element compositions from the andesite (including MgHbl–Tsch and MgHst), diktytaxitic enclaves and plutonic enclave. Trachybasalt amphibole compositions are shown for comparison (data from [21,23]). (a) $Mg\# = Mg/(Mg + Fe^{2+})$ versus Al_{IV} (following [33]). Arrows and outline fields show the effect of varying temperature, pressure and melt composition in experimental results as summarized by [33]. (b) K_2O versus TiO_2 concentrations. (Online version in colour.)

the MgHst amphiboles in the diktytaxitic enclaves are interpreted as inherited crystals based on geochemistry and textures [21]. Amphiboles from plutonic-textured enclaves have intermediate Al contents, typically in the range of approximately 8.5–10.5 wt% Al_2O_3 and intermediate MnO and FeO (figure 1; electronic supplementary material, table S1). These crystals are also classified as MgHbl–edenite–MgHst and overlap in $Mg\#$ – Al_{IV} space with amphiboles from the andesite (figure 1). Amphiboles from rare trachybasalts, also erupted from Mt Lamington, were analysed by Arculus *et al.* [23] and Zhang *et al.* [21] and are K-rich MgHst with more than 3 wt% TiO_2 , and are distinct from anything observed in the andesites or their inclusions (figure 1).

Amphibole trace element concentrations reflect the variations in major element composition. The low-Al amphiboles from the andesite typically contain 60–200 ppm Sr, 30–70 ppm Zr, 5–10 ppm Nb, 10–22 ppm La and 4–8 ppm Yb (electronic supplementary material, data table). High-Al amphiboles from the diktytaxitic enclaves typically contain higher concentrations of Sr (300–450 ppm) and Zr (50–70 ppm), with lower concentrations of Nb (2–6 ppm), La (3–10 ppm), and Yb (1–5 ppm) (electronic supplementary material, data table). Trace element concentrations of amphiboles from the plutonic-textured enclaves fall within the andesite range: 75–150 ppm Sr, 40–60 ppm Zr, 3–6 ppm Nb, 10–15 ppm La and 3–5 ppm Yb. The cores of some grains have anomalously high Cr contents (as determined by EPMA [21,23]).

Using the trace element partitioning schemes of [30] and an adapted major element regression scheme of [32] (see electronic supplementary material), we calculated the compositions of melts in equilibrium with the amphiboles ('amphibole equilibrium melts', AEMs). Low-Al amphiboles from the andesite give AEMs with 69–77 wt% SiO_2 (average 73 wt% SiO_2 , $n = 74$) and 0.2–0.7 wt% MgO, with the few MgHst crystals giving 57–71 wt% SiO_2 and 0.6–3.5 wt% MgO ($n = 22$; electronic supplementary material, data table). Amphiboles from plutonic-textured enclaves yield AEMs that overlap strongly with these compositions. AEMs from the diktytaxitic enclave high-Al amphiboles are distinctive, with lower SiO_2 (56–69 wt%) and higher MgO (0.6–4.1 wt%) and CaO (2.7–7.2 wt%). The lower Al_2O_3 contents of some of the crystal rims give a range of AEMs that approaches those from the andesite.

For trace elements (figures 2 and 3), we predict that AEMs for the andesite have typically 35–130 ppm Zr, 3–8 ppm Nb, 180–550 ppm Sr, 15–35 ppm La and 0.6–1.8 ppm Yb. La/Yb values are in the range 10–30, Sr/Y typically 7–25 and Eu/Eu* 0.9–1.2. Chondrite-normalized rare earth element (REE) profiles have a slightly concave-upward shape, with slightly higher (light/heavy) LREE/HREE values than the whole rocks (data from [21]), and lower (middle) MREEs (figure 4).

Figure 2. Trace element compositions of AEMs, calculated following Humphreys *et al.* [30] (see also the electronic supplementary material). SiO_2 of AEMs is calculated using Zhang *et al.* [32]. Whole-rock compositions are shown for comparison. Grey bars in (c) indicate Sr concentrations of plagioclase equilibrium melts from cores and rims of microphenocrysts (mpc) from the diktytaxitic enclaves. Error bars show representative 2σ regression uncertainties for the MgHbl. The dotted outline marks the diktytaxitic enclaves whole rocks. (Online version in colour.)

Plutonic amphiboles yield AEMs with similar trace element compositions to the andesite low-Al amphiboles, but with slightly lower Y, Sm (1.5–2.5 ppm) and Yb (0.6–1.4 ppm), resulting in higher Sr/Y and La/Yb. Chondrite-normalized REE profiles have a clear concave-upward shape, with

Figure 3. Trace element ratios of AEMs (calculated following [30]) plotted against SiO_2 of AEMs, calculated following [32]. Europium anomaly in (b) is calculated from $\text{Eu}_N/\sqrt{(\text{Sm}_N * \text{Gd}_N)}$ where N denotes chondrite-normalized compositions. In (c,d), the dashed line marks the approximate composition of the putative dacite melt. The diktytaxitic enclave AEMs form by mixing with dacitic melt, while the plutonic and andesite AEMs trends are dominated by fractionation. The dotted outline marks the diktytaxitic enclaves. (Online version in colour.)

a minimum near Dy (figure 4). High-Al amphiboles from the diktytaxitic enclaves return AEMs with a much broader range of trace element concentrations, from 100–230 ppm Zr, 7–17 ppm Nb, 400–1000 ppm Sr, 20–60 ppm La and 1–3 ppm Yb (figure 2). La/Yb values are in the range 10–24, Sr/Y from 35 to 55 and Eu/Eu* 1.0–1.3 (figure 3).

Zhang *et al.* [21] recognized two kinds of ‘oscillatory zoned’ amphiboles (i.e. those showing multiple excursions to higher Mg#) in the andesite, with ‘spiky’ and ‘diffuse’ zonation patterns (electronic supplementary material, figure S1). Spiky-zoned crystals have multiple abrupt core-rim zones, from MgHbl–edenite to low-Mg# MgHst, while diffuse-zoned crystals have one or two broad zones with gradational boundaries, from MgHbl–edenite to high-Mg# MgHst. The distinction is defined at $\text{Mg\#} = 0.70$, where there is a natural break between the two populations (electronic supplementary material, data table). The two populations differ in their trace element concentrations, with the diffuse-zoned crystals showing generally higher high-field-strength (HFS) elements (Zr, Nb) and REE concentrations than spiky-zoned grains. This translates into significant differences in predicted major and trace element AEM compositions, with the diffuse-zoned crystals showing higher Sm/Yb and higher Zr and Sr at a small range in SiO_2 (57–69 wt%), compared with spiky-zoned grains (65–71 wt% SiO_2 ; figures 2 and 3).

Plagioclase is present in the andesites, plutonic enclaves and diktytaxitic enclaves, covering a wide range of compositions from An_{30} to An_{70} in each rock type (summarized by Zhang *et al.* [21]). These data show that plagioclase microphenocryst cores from the diktytaxitic enclaves generally have higher Sr concentrations (2500–3100 ppm), compared to their rims

Figure 4. Chondrite-normalized REE profiles for AEMs from the diktytaxitic mafic enclaves, plutonic-textured enclave, and andesite. Whole-rock compositions are shown in the light grey bar (andesite) and dark grey region (diktytaxitic mafic enclaves). In (d), spiky MgHst are shown with long-dashed orange lines; diffuse-textured MgHst with purple dotted lines. (Online version in colour.)

Figure 5. Trace element contents of plagioclase from the andesite, microphenocrysts from the diktytaxitic mafic enclaves, and plutonic-textured enclave, together with the compositions of sieve-textured crystal rims (asterisks). Other symbols as in figure 2. Data from [21]. (Online version in colour.)

(1750–2800 ppm). Plagioclase from the plutonic-textured enclaves has 2100–3100 ppm Sr, while Sr contents of plagioclase from the andesite are more strongly heterogeneous (1780–3100 ppm in rim analyses; average approx. 2300 ppm). The differences in minor and trace element concentrations are interpreted to reflect variations in melt composition, and these are most clearly evident when plotting $\text{FeO}/\text{K}_2\text{O}$ versus Sr (figure 5), where sieved plagioclase rims from the andesite and plagioclase microphenocrysts from the diktytaxitic enclaves trend strongly towards higher $\text{FeO}/\text{K}_2\text{O}$. We used the partition coefficients of [34] to calculate equilibrium melt Sr concentrations from the plagioclases, for comparison with AEM compositions. The cores of microphenocrysts from the diktytaxitic enclave (calculated at 960°C based on amphibole–plagioclase thermometry [21]) give equilibrium melts with 570–840 ppm Sr, and the rim compositions return melts with 290–640 ppm Sr. These values agree well with Sr contents of AEMs for the diktytaxitic enclave (figure 2). For the andesite and plutonic enclave, amphibole–plagioclase thermometry indicates average temperatures of approximately 850°C [21] and this agrees well with temperatures inferred from the amphiboles alone (figure 1, following [33]). Calculated equilibrium melts for plagioclase from both the andesite and the plutonic enclave have a wide range of Sr concentrations: 270–780 ppm Sr for the andesite (calculated at 850°C based on amphibole–plagioclase thermometry [21]), and 300–900 ppm Sr for the plutonic enclave (also calculated at 850°C). This could be related to the presence of relatively primitive cores from earlier in the evolution of the magma (see discussion below).

(c) Discussion

(i) A long history of mixing with geochemically variable melts

The major element compositions of AEMs from the diktytaxitic enclaves show that the magmatic system at Mt Lamington contains (or has contained) packets of melt that are significantly less evolved than the matrix of the erupted andesites, extending to basaltic-andesites with approximately 55 wt% SiO_2 . Although the SiO_2 contents of these melts are similar to the whole-rock compositions of the mafic enclaves, their predicted trace element concentrations typically do not agree well with the mafic enclave whole-rock compositions. This can be explained given that the enclave whole rocks contain crystals of olivine + spinel $\pm$ clinopyroxene $\pm$ amphibole derived from deep cumulates [21], plus mechanically incorporated phenocrysts of plagioclase and amphibole mixed in from the andesite. By contrast, equilibrium melt compositions, calculated from plagioclase (excluding the most evolved rims) from the diktytaxitic enclaves and sieved crystals in the andesite, have Sr contents of 560–923 ppm, and these agree well with Sr contents of AEMs from framework-forming amphiboles in the diktytaxitic enclaves. The consistency between different estimates of melt composition supports our use of the calculated AEMs to represent the diversity of melt compositions.

The AEMs from the diktytaxitic enclaves shows strong trace element variations with increasing SiO_2 and other major element indices of melt evolution. Some incompatible elements (such as Pb) are enriched with increasing SiO_2 . Sr decreases with increasing SiO_2 (figure 2), as would be expected for melts that are crystallizing plagioclase. However, if these geochemical variations are ascribed to fractional crystallization, then the strong decreases in elements such as Zr and Nb would require fractionation of accessory minerals including zircon and ilmenite. Even though these phases are stable in the andesite whole rocks (which have a rhyolitic matrix glass), it is hard to accept that zircon is fractionating from a basaltic-andesite melt with only 150 ppm Zr (following [35]). An alternative is that the chemical trends in the AEMs are the result of mixing between enclave-forming magma(s) and a putative dacite melt with approximately 68 wt% SiO_2 . This composition is based on the location of the break in slope in plots of La/Yb or Sm/Yb versus SiO_2 or Sr (figure 3). The break in slope in Sm/Yb suggests a change in magmatic processes from mixing (resulting in decreasing Sm/Yb) to amphibole fractionation (resulting in increasing Sm/Yb). The composition of the putative dacite, at approximately 68 wt% SiO_2 , is similar to the least evolved AEMs predicted from amphiboles in the andesite and/or plutonic enclaves (see §3c(ii)).

The diffuse-zoned high-Mg# MgHst and spiky-zoned low-Mg# MgHst amphiboles, which are both found in the andesite, represent a record of crystallization during excursions to more primitive and/or hotter melts that are not seen in the eruptive record. This can also be seen in Mg#–Al_{IV} relationships (figure 1 [33]). This is distinct from the episode of mixing with the observed diktytaxitic enclave magma, which results in sharp compositional zones on the rims of amphibole phenocrysts inherited from the andesite, recording an event that took place shortly before eruption. The overall suite of amphibole trace element data, therefore, preserves information about the longer-term record of variable melt compositions and physical conditions in the magmatic storage system, with multiple instances of interactions with more primitive melts. The somewhat gradational nature of the diffuse amphibole zoning implies that significant amounts of time were available for partial diffusive equilibration of Fe and Mg after the mingling event(s), though not long enough for slower-diffusing elements to experience modification (zoning remains sharp for Al, Ti and Na [21]). We emphasize that any diffusive equilibration in the amphiboles themselves has a relatively limited effect on calculated AEMs (less than the primary regression uncertainty, based on an analysis of smoothly zoned regions of the diffusely zoned geochemical profiles) [32]. This is because re-equilibration primarily involves Fe–Mg interdiffusion and does not involve changes in other more slowly diffusing elements.

While both the diffuse-zoned MgHst and amphiboles from the diktytaxitic enclaves attest to crystallization from more primitive melts, they have variable AEM trace element signatures, suggesting subtle temporal variations in the primitive melt compositions under Mt Lamington. AEMs from the diffuse-zoned and diktytaxitic amphiboles overlap for most elements, but AEMs from the diffuse-zoned amphiboles tend to have distinctly lower Nb concentrations, and thus lower Nb/La, than the diktytaxitic amphiboles (figures 2 and 3). Both AEM populations also show significant variance in absolute trace element concentrations, which decreases with increasing SiO₂ (figures 2 and 3). We suggest that this reflects real variability in trace element composition of small parcels of melt within the plumbing system, which is gradually eliminated during mixing ± crystallization, as observed in other settings such as Iceland [36] and New Zealand [37]. Conversely, the abrupt nature of the spiky zonation indicates more recent mixing events with little time available for diffusive modification of the resulting zoning profiles. AEMs from spiky-zoned MgHst tend to have higher REEs and Pb, and lower Sr and Sm/Yb (figures 2 and 3) and their compositions are more SiO₂-rich, closer to AEMs from the andesite MgHbl, and typically distinct from AEMs from the diktytaxitic enclave and diffusely zoned amphiboles. The variance in inferred trace element compositions is large, again suggesting significant melt variability within the system for the more recent mixing events.

(ii) The formation of andesite and cumulate-textured enclaves at Mt Lamington

The origin of the putative dacite melt, inferred from the break in slope of geochemical variations, is ambiguous. The ratio Sm/Yb is relatively low (figure 3), which could be consistent with the presence of amphibole in the melt source. One scenario for the formation of the dacite is peritectic melting of amphibolite [38] and subsequent ascent of the resulting melt from the lower crust until it stalls in a shallow magma storage region. The putative dacite melt at Mt Lamington has similar major element composition to the more evolved glasses produced experimentally from the clinopyroxene + melt = hornblende peritectic reaction at high initial H₂O content [38], lending support to this hypothesis. However, it is difficult to distinguish this from the alternative case of prior amphibole fractionation from a less evolved precursor melt. Amphibole fractionation would drive the residual melt to higher SiO₂, lower Dy/Yb and higher La/Yb, as seen in many arc whole-rock suites [39], and to lower Nb/Ta [40]. Fractionation of amphibole at depth is also consistent with the presence of amphibole as a common phase in plutonic and cumulate nodules in arc lavas [41–44]. The strongly zoned cores of some amphiboles (spiky and diffuse MgHst zoning as described above) indicate the presence of more primitive (andesite to basaltic-andesite) melts in the system, but do not clearly define any kind of fractionation trend. Sr and Nd isotopic

compositions of the andesites and plutonic and diktytaxitic enclaves overlap [21], which indicates that localized partial melting of the crust by ascending mafic melts is not significant.

The AEM from the andesites has a predicted average Eu/Eu^* (calculated as $\text{Eu}/\sqrt{(\text{Sm}_N * \text{Gd}_N)}$, where N denotes chondrite-normalized to the values of Taylor & McLennan [45]) of approximately 0.9, with a large range from approximately 1.2 to approximately 0.7, decreasing with increasing SiO_2 . This compares with average values of approximately 1.0 for AEMs from the plutonic enclave (figure 3). The highest values for any analysis are seen at approximately 68 wt% SiO_2 . AEMs from the diktytaxitic enclave and from zoned MgHst crystals have Eu/Eu^* slightly higher than those of the andesite, but are similarly variable (from approx. 0.8 to approx. 1.4), increasing with increasing SiO_2 (figure 3). While the uncertainties on these values are large, the positive Eu anomaly seen in AEMs from zoned MgHst, diktytaxitic amphiboles and some amphiboles from the andesite could realistically be generated by (i) fractionation of amphibole, which leaves a residual melt enriched in Eu, or (ii) remelting of plagioclase-bearing cumulates [46,47]. Taken together with the discussion above, we suggest that the putative dacite melt at Mt Lamington is derived by deep fractionation of amphibole from a relatively low- SiO_2 precursor melt. By contrast, the decreasing Eu/Eu^* in the andesites is consistent with *in situ* fractionation involving plagioclase.

AEMs from the plutonic-textured enclave show increasing La/Yb , increasing Sm/Yb and constant (but scattered) Dy/Yb with increasing SiO_2 . The AEMs show clear decreases in absolute abundance of Sr, Ti and all REEs, and scattered decreases in Nb and Zr. This is consistent with *in situ* fractional crystallization of an assemblage of amphibole + plagioclase + Fe–Ti oxide + biotite $\pm$ zircon $\pm$ apatite, as observed in the enclave. Whereas AEMs from the diktytaxitic amphiboles are similar to the diktytaxitic enclaves in major element composition, the plutonic-textured enclaves have whole-rock compositions that are less evolved than their AEMs by at least 10 wt% SiO_2 (figure 2). The discrepancy between AEM and the whole-rock compositions suggests either extraction of melt or the accumulation of solid phases in the whole rocks. The plutonic enclaves contain large clusters of amphibole + biotite, sometimes with a core rich in small oxide inclusions (figure 6a). Following [21], we suggest that this is related to the complete reaction of olivine, derived from more primitive magmas that have completely reacted with matrix melt. This is consistent with the high Cr contents of some amphibole and clinopyroxene cores and also explains the enrichment in Ni, Cr and V in the plutonic enclave whole-rocks [21,23].

Differences in REE ratios and HFS element abundances confirm that the andesite whole rocks and the plutonic enclaves are probably not related by fractional crystallization (figures 2 and 3). The AEMs from the andesites are more scattered than those of the plutonic enclave, but they show some of the same trends with SiO_2 as the plutonic enclave AEMs. This suggests that the andesites evolve by a similar process to the plutonic enclaves, i.e. *in situ* fractional crystallization of plagioclase + amphibole + Fe–Ti oxide + biotite + zircon + apatite. This process is interrupted by intervals of mingling with the more mafic melts, as demonstrated by the presence of zoned crystals and inherited grains. The andesite whole rocks are enriched in both Zr and Sr compared with the AEMs, which suggests that the whole rocks are also carrying a crystal cargo that includes both plagioclase and zircon. The andesite whole rocks have a slightly negative Eu anomaly (figure 3) but this may reflect a combination of plagioclase fractionation and assimilation.

(iii) Solidification, remobilization and the generation of intermediate magmas

Textural observations coupled to AEM data clearly highlight that interactions between melt-rich magmas are common at Mt Lamington, as with other intermediate arc volcanoes. However, the comparison of whole-rock trace element compositions with AEMs indicates assimilation or remobilization of a solid crystal cargo including plagioclase and zircon. To date, there is no study of zircon textures from Mt Lamington but the andesites contain large individual or glomerocrystic plagioclase with complex patchy zoned and strongly oscillatory zoned cores (e.g. fig. 2 of [21]). Complete reaction and assimilation of olivine crystals are shown by the presence of coarse clots of amphibole + biotite $\pm$ oxides (figure 6a and [21]). The disaggregated plutonic-textured

Figure 6. Textural features of magmatic products from Mt Lamington. (a) Clusters of amphibole $\pm$ biotite $\pm$ Cr-rich oxide inclusions, representing fully reacted olivine antecrysts; plane polarized light. (b) Small-scale changes in extinction angle of plagioclase at the margins of interstitial grains where they border amphibole (arrows), indicating late-stage retention of melt along these boundaries; cross-polarized light. (c) Backscattered electron (BSE) image showing interstitial growth of biotite at low undercooling, resulting in rounded interfaces and retention of melt on the grain boundaries (bi, biotite; hbl, hornblende; gl, glass; v, vesicle). (d) BSE image of amphibole glomerocryst, interpreted to have been disaggregated from plutonic enclave material prior to eruption. The glomerocryst has a late-stage overgrowth rim of darker amphibole.

material is also found in the andesites and diktytaxitic enclaves (figure 6d). Taken together, this textural evidence suggests that mechanical remobilization is a relatively common process. However, the exact mechanism and controls on recycling of older intrusive crystalline materials are unknown. This is an important problem, because this crystalline cargo carries information about the physical, chemical and thermal conditions in deeper parts of the plumbing system. For example, the preservation of Li zoning within zircons was recently interpreted to indicate that magmatic zircons spend very small amounts of their lifetime at super-solidus temperatures, indicating not only rapid remobilization and eruption, but also rapid crystallization following any periods of recharge, rejuvenation and melting [48].

Contrary to this, the plutonic enclaves and crystalline clots observed in Mt Lamington magmas display features of slowly cooled magmas, including (i) the presence of melt on grain boundaries (figure 6c), (ii) rounded, poorly faceted grains and (iii) equant grain shapes. These factors indicate slow crystal growth driven by minimization of interfacial energies (e.g. [49,50]). Even where there is no remaining melt, the textures of interstitial plagioclase demonstrate the preservation of melt at inter-phase grain boundaries until late in crystallization (figure 6b). From a mechanical standpoint, a crystal mush with rounded grains and melt films on grain boundaries will be readily remobilized by small degrees of remelting and textural readjustments including mush dilation or melt infiltration (e.g. [51]; figure 7). Conversely, faster solidification of a crystal mush will result in the formation of faceted, elongate grains that retain melt in triangular pore spaces, while interactions between neighbouring grains results in solid, interpenetrating grain boundaries

Figure 7. Sketch of primary mush textures during slow cooling (*a*) and faster cooling (*c*). Slow cooling results in rounded, equant grains and retention of melt on grain boundaries. Faster cooling results in higher-aspect-ratio grains and solid, knitted grain boundaries. Mechanical remobilization and recycling of the slower-cooled mush (*b*) requires only dilation and/or grain rotation and little remelting. By contrast, mechanical remobilization or recycling of the faster cooled mush (*d*) requires significant extents of remelting. See text for details.

(figure 7). The higher aspect ratio of the crystals means that the rapidly solidified mush will reach its mechanical jamming threshold at higher porosity, and the solid, interpenetrating grain boundaries may require significant remelting before adjacent grains can undergo differential movement and remobilization. This would result in a significantly higher energy budget to enable remobilization [52]. It is, therefore, possible that the volcanic record is systematically biased towards crystal cargoes that are sampled and remobilized from slowly cooled, lower crustal intrusive materials. More rapidly cooled, smaller-volume upper crustal materials might be expected to form textures that would discourage remobilization. Such a bias could also depend on the maturity of a given arc system; long-lived, thermally mature arcs will provide a thermally insulated environment for crustal solidification relative to young, thermally immature arcs, and this would tend to result in slower-cooled plutonic rocks showing the sorts of grain-boundary textures shown at Mt Lamington.

The persistence of any recycled components within the volcanic record also depends on crystal size, crystal composition, and dissolution mechanism and kinetics [53]. Hydrous phases (such as amphibole) are particularly susceptible to both dehydration melting and thermal decomposition, so it is important to understand and predict the possible geochemical signatures of these processes [54]. A better grasp of the kinetics of mineral dissolution may prove important for understanding how the record of crystal mush remobilization can influence elemental and isotopic compositions of resulting magmas, as well as understanding potential biases in the crystal record. Experimental and numerical work is now needed to develop a deeper quantitative understanding of textures and kinetics associated with primary mush crystallization and dissolution in igneous melts and appropriate analogue materials. Such approaches offer a new way to shed light on the conditions of solidification within the crust at subduction zones.

4. Conclusion

Amphibole trace element geochemistry can be used to interpret the origins and differentiation mechanisms of arc magma suites, taking into account the effects of changing major element crystal chemistry on partitioning to calculate amphibole equilibrium melt (AEM) compositions. At Mt Lamington, compositional variations in amphiboles from diktytaxitic mafic enclaves reflect mixing with a dacite melt of approximately 68 wt% SiO₂. Oscillatory zoned MgHst amphiboles from the andesite contain a record of longer-term interactions with more primitive melts back to approximately 55 wt% SiO₂ and variable trace element concentration, implying significant variability of small packets of primitive melt within the magmatic system over time. Plutonic-textured enclaves show variations in amphibole geochemistry consistent with simple, *in situ* fractionation of amphibole + plagioclase + biotite ± zircon ± apatite. Similar trends are observed for the andesite, but offset to different REE concentrations, indicating that these are not straightforwardly linked by fractionation, but again reflect individual small batches of magma with variable trace element composition. Differences between AEM and whole-rock compositions for the andesite indicate assimilation of solid plagioclase and zircon residue recycled from older recycled intrusive materials. Plutonic enclaves and disaggregated glomerocrysts in the andesite commonly show rounded grains and the presence of melt films along grain boundaries, which indicates slow cooling and would significantly aid mechanical remobilization of older intrusive materials by recharging or infiltrating melts. This raises the possibility that the volcanic record of plutonic crystallization conditions may be inherently biased towards slower-cooled mushes. More work is now needed to understand the factors controlling the primary morphology of solidifying crystal mush in arc systems.

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