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Abstract

Trace element variability in oceanic basalts is commonly used to constrain the physics of mantle melting and the chemistry of Earth's deep interior. However, the geochemical properties of mantle melts are often overprinted by mixing and crystallisation processes during ascent and storage. Studying primitive melt inclusions offers one solution to this problem, but the fidelity of the melt-inclusion archive to bulk magma chemistry has been repeatedly questioned. To provide a novel check of the melt inclusion record, we present new major and trace element analyses from olivine macrocrysts in the products of two geographically proximal, yet compositionally distinct, primitive eruptions from the Reykjanes Peninsula of Iceland. By combining these macrocryst analyses with new and published melt inclusion analyses we demonstrate that olivines have similar patterns of incompatible trace element (ITE) variability to the inclusions they host, capturing both intra- and inter-eruption scale chemical systematics.

ITE variability (element concentrations, ratios, variances and variance ratios) in olivines from the ITE-enriched Stapafell eruption is best accounted for by olivine-dominated fractional crystallisation. In contrast, ITE variability in olivines and inclusions from the ITE-depleted Háleyjabunga eruption cannot be explained by crystallisation alone, and must have originated in the mantle. Compatible trace element (CTE) variability is best described by crystallisation processes in both eruptions. Modest correlations between host and inclusion

ITE contents in samples from Háleyjabunga suggest that melt inclusions can be faithful archives of melting and magmatic processes. It also indicates that degrees of ITE enrichment can be estimated from olivines directly when melt inclusion and matrix glass records of geochemical variability are poor or absent. Inter-eruption differences in olivine ITE systematics between Stapafell and Háleyjabunga mirror differences in melt inclusion suites, and confirm that the Stapafell eruption was fed by lower degree melts from greater depths within the melting region than the Háleyjabunga eruption.

Although olivine macrocrysts from Stapafell are slightly richer in Ni than those from Háleyjabunga, their overall CTE systematics (e.g., Ni/(Mg/Fe), Fe/Mn and Zn/Fe) are inconsistent with being derived from olivine-free pyroxenites. However, the major element systematics of Icelandic basalts require lithological heterogeneity in their mantle source in the form of Fe-rich and hence fusible domains. We thus conclude that enriched heterogeneities in the Icelandic mantle are composed of modally enriched, yet nonetheless olivine-bearing, lithologies and that olivine CTE contents provide an incomplete record of lithological heterogeneity in the mantle. Modally enriched peridotites may therefore play a more important role in oceanic magma genesis than previously inferred.

Keywords: olivine, melt inclusions, trace elements, mantle heterogeneity, geochemical variability, Iceland

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1. Introduction

Fractional melting of a chemically, isotopically and lithologically heterogeneous mantle results in compositionally diverse oceanic basalts (Dupré and Allègre, 1983; Hirschmann and Stolper, 1996; Kelemen et al., 1997; Sobolev et al., 2007; Shorttle et al., 2014). However, geochemical records of mantle heterogeneity are subject to progressive degradation as melts undergo concurrent mixing and crystallisation during ascent (MacLennan, 2008a; Rubin et al., 2009; Shorttle, 2015). Assimilation, reactive porous flow and repeated replenishment, mixing and tapping of steady state reservoirs may all further contribute to the blurring and overprinting of mantle signals (O’Hara, 1977; Langmuir, 1989; Michael and Schilling, 1989; Lissenberg and MacLeod, 2016; O’Neill and Jenner, 2016). Melt inclusions trapped within primitive macrocrysts nevertheless provide glimpses into the compositional systematics of primary melts because they are theoretically insulated from changes in external magmatic environments. For example, melt inclusion suites frequently preserve greater variability in trace element and isotope compositions than the melts that carry them (Sobolev and Shimizu, 1993; MacLennan, 2008b). However, the ability of melt inclusions to faithfully record primary magmatic signals has been repeatedly questioned because of their susceptibility to syn- and post-entrapment modification (e.g., Roedder, 1979; Qin et al., 1992; Danyushevsky et al., 2000, 2004; Baker, 2008).

Geochemical variability is also recorded in macrocryst compositions (e.g., Davidson and Tepley, 1997; Wimpenny and MacLennan, 2011; Foley et al., 2013). For example, elevated Ni and Fe/Mn in primitive magmatic olivines have been interpreted as evidence for melt supply from olivine-free mantle domains by some workers (Sobolev et al., 2005, 2007; Herzberg, 2011), though separating the effects of source and process on these elements’ systematics remains difficult (Putirka et al., 2011; Matzen et al., 2013; Herzberg et al., 2016; Lynn et al., 2017). One reason for this difficulty is that incompatible trace element (ITE) datasets, which are primarily obtained from melt inclusions, are seldom integrated with compatible trace element (CTE) datasets, which are primarily acquired from olivines, despite the fact that both datasets contain complimentary forms of magmatic information: in principle, ITEs are

29 more sensitive to melting processes while CTEs are more sensitive to source compositions
30 (Le Roux et al., 2011). However, the ITE data from natural olivines which could facilitate
31 integration of the olivine and melt inclusion archives are currently scarce, largely because
32 the challenges associated with performing routine *in situ* microanalysis of trace elements at
33 ppb levels are only now being overcome (e.g., Stead et al., 2016).

34 In this study, we combine analyses of ITEs and CTEs in olivine macrocrysts with new
35 and published analyses of ITEs in melt inclusions to validate the reliability of melt inclusion
36 archives (cf., Danyushevsky et al., 2004). We thus consider whether degrees of magmatic
37 ITE enrichment can be estimated from olivines directly in samples where no analysable in-
38 clusions are present and assessments of geochemical variability are consequently restricted.
39 We then investigate whether compositional variability in forsteritic olivines and their in-
40 clusions is dominated by processes taking place in the mantle (i.e. melting) or the crust
41 (i.e. crystallisation). By focusing on two spatially associated yet variably enriched primitive
42 eruptions from Iceland, we investigate how olivine and melt inclusion records of geochem-
43 ical variability manifest on intra- and inter-eruption scales. We pay particular attention
44 to variance in our compositional data and describe how this underexploited property of
45 geochemical datasets can be used to determine the causes of trace element variability and
46 hence study geological processes. Finally, we evaluate whether olivine CTE contents serve
47 as faithful indicators of lithological heterogeneity in the mantle more widely, and discuss the
48 role played by olivine-free source regions in the generation of Icelandic magmas.

49 **2. Geochemical context and sample preparation**

50 The Reykjanes Peninsula of Iceland is an ideal location for studying the generation and
51 evolution of oceanic basalts because primitive lavas are highly abundant (Jakobsson et al.,
52 1978; Thirlwall et al., 2004). The Háleyjabunga lava shield and Stapafell table mountain
53 in the Reykjanes-Svartsengi volcanic system at the south-western tip of the peninsula (Fig.
54 1a) have proven to be especially valuable for understanding the geochemical consequences
55 of mantle melting (Gurenko and Chaussidon, 1995; MacLennan, 2008b). Despite their spa-
56 tial proximity and similar ages, these eruptions have strikingly different whole-rock trace

57 element chemistries (Hémond et al., 1993; Hardarson et al., 1997; Thirlwall et al., 2004,
58 2006; Peate et al., 2009): Háleyjabunga and Stapafell are among the most ITE-depleted and
59 ITE-enriched eruptions known from Iceland respectively (Fig. 1b; Gurenko and Chaussidon,
60 don, 1995). These two eruptions are therefore ideal targets for testing whether variability
61 in magmatic ITE enrichment can be resolved in the composition of olivine macrocrysts.

62 The difference in ITE enrichment between Háleyjabunga and Stapafell, which is as well
63 shown in melt inclusions as in whole-rock samples (Figs. 2a), has been explained as a con-
64 sequence of fractional melting in a single mantle column (Gurenko and Chaussidon, 1995).
65 Namely, Gurenko and Chaussidon (1995) argued that ITE-depleted compositions represent
66 instantaneous fractional melts formed by 17–18 % melting of a spinel lherzolite source,
67 while ITE-enriched compositions represent mixtures of ITE-depleted melts and enriched
68 melts formed by 5.5 % melting of a garnet lherzolite source. Moreover, the Stapafell erup-
69 tion’s comparatively low MgO content is unlikely to represent a greater degree of magmatic
70 differentiation alone: ITE-enriched primitive basalts have consistently lower MgO contents
71 than their ITE-depleted counterparts, further reflecting differences in mantle melting con-
72 ditions (Shorttle et al., 2016). MacLennan (2008b) demonstrated that ITE enrichment in
73 melt inclusions correlates with Pb-isotope enrichment (Figs. 2b), reproducing correlations
74 identified in whole-rock datasets, and extending them towards more depleted compositions
75 (cf., Thirlwall et al., 2004). These published correlations between ITE and Pb-isotope ratios
76 imply that fine-scale heterogeneities in the mantle source also contribute to the geochemical
77 variability expressed on the Reykjanes Peninsula: fractional melting alone cannot generate
78 the full spectrum of isotopic diversity reported, and the Icelandic crust is too young to
79 have ingrown enough Pb-isotope variability to significantly contaminate magmatic signa-
80 tures by assimilation (exposed crust is <3.3 Ma on the Reykjanes Peninsula; Jóhannesson
81 and Sæmundsson, 2009).

82 The major element systematics of Icelandic basalts provide additional evidence for source
83 heterogeneity (Shorttle and MacLennan, 2011). Specifically, at any given MgO content, ITE-
84 enriched magmas are richer in FeO_t and poorer in CaO and SiO_2 than their ITE-depleted
85 counterparts (Fig. 1b), which probably reflects the presence of recycled basalt in their source

86 regions (Shorttle et al., 2014). The CTE contents of olivines reported to date are consistent
87 with the presence of such heterogeneities (Sobolev et al., 2007; Shorttle and Maclennan,
88 2011; Herzberg et al., 2016).

89 Analyses of olivine macrocrysts were performed on polished thin sections cut from
90 samples described by Maclennan (2008b): fresh, olivine-rich lava samples collected from
91 Háleyjabunga near 63.8148°N, 22.6516°W, and glassy pillow lava samples collected from
92 Stapafell near 63.9098°N, 22.5235°W. Quantitative Estimation of Mineralogy by Scanning
93 Electron Microscopy (QEMSCAN) images of the thin sections (e.g., Neave et al., 2017)
94 reveal that macrocryst assemblages in both eruptions are dominated by olivine alongside
95 minor Cr-spinel and rare plagioclase (Supplementary Material). The few plagioclase crys-
96 tals we do observe are highly resorbed, indicating that they were out of equilibrium with
97 their carrier melts and are probably xenocrystic in origin. Plagioclase is not considered any
98 further.

99 Analyses of olivine macrocryst-melt inclusion pairs were also performed on samples from
100 Háleyjabunga. Olivines were obtained by hand crushing samples in a steel mortar and
101 selecting fresh, melt inclusion-bearing grains under a binocular microscope. Melt inclusions
102 in these olivines were re-homogenised for 20 min in a one atmosphere vertical gas mixing
103 furnace at the Institute for the Study of the Earth’s Interior at Okayama University, Japan.
104 Olivines were heated to 1290 °C based on their likely crystallisation temperature (Maclennan,
105 2008a) and held at an oxygen fugacity (f_{O_2}) one log unit below the quartz-fayalite-magnetite
106 buffer (QFM–1) to prevent their oxidation. Although the major element contents of olivine-
107 hosted melt inclusions can be severely compromised by interactions with their host olivines
108 during re-homogenisation, ITE systematics are affected much less, meaning that our key
109 findings are robust to the vagaries of inclusion re-homogenisation (Danyushevsky et al.,
110 2000; Jennings et al., 2017).

111 **3. Analytical methods**

112 After being inspected optically for signs of alteration and decrepitation, the major and
113 minor element contents of olivine macrocryst cores and olivine-hosted melt inclusions were

114 measured by electron probe microanalysis (EPMA) with a Cameca SX100 in the Department
115 of Earth Sciences at the University of Cambridge, UK. Multiple points were analysed across
116 olivine cores to check for heterogeneities in samples that appeared homogeneous during
117 backscattered electron (BSE) imaging. X-ray maps of three olivines were also produced to
118 assess the extent of minor and trace element zoning (e.g., Milman-Barris et al., 2008). Olivine
119 trace element contents were then measured by laser ablation inductively coupled plasma
120 mass spectrometry (LA-ICP-MS) with a ThermoScientific ElementXR fast scanning sector
121 field ICP-MS coupled to a laser ablation system based on a Spectra Physics Solstice 194 nm
122 femtosecond (fs) laser in the Institute of Mineralogy at the Leibniz Universität Hannover,
123 Germany (e.g., Collinet et al., 2017). Analyses were made using a 30 μm laser spot rastered
124 over $100 \times 100 \mu\text{m}$ areas. Signals were monitored for compositional heterogeneities associated
125 with crystal zoning and contamination from melt and Cr-spinel inclusions. Melt inclusion
126 trace element contents were measured by secondary ion mass spectrometry (SIMS) with a
127 Cameca ims-5f in the Institute for the Study of the Earth's Interior at Okayama University,
128 Japan. Further details about analytical methods and standards are provided in Appendix
129 A.

130 4. Geochemical systematics of olivines and their melt inclusions

131 Olivine macrocrysts from Háleyjabunga are more primitive on average than those from
132 Stapafell (Figs. 3 and 4): almost all olivines from Háleyjabunga have high forsterite cores
133 ($\text{Fo}_{89}\text{--}\text{Fo}_{91}$, where $\text{Fo} = 100 \times \text{atomic Mg}/(\text{Mg}+\text{Fe}^{2+})$), whereas those from Stapafell have
134 somewhat lower forsterite cores ($\text{Fo}_{85}\text{--}\text{Fo}_{88}$). Olivine macrocrysts from the two eruptions can
135 also be distinguished in their minor and trace element contents. For example, while olivine
136 compositions appear to form single arrays on plots of forsterite content plotted against
137 some first row transition elements (FRTEs) (e.g., Mn and Co; Figs. 3e and 3f), they form
138 sub-parallel arrays when plotted against others (e.g., Ni; Fig. 3g). That is, at any given
139 forsterite content, olivines from Stapafell are richer in Ni than those from Háleyjabunga.
140 Distinct compositional groups are also visible in the non-FRTE lithophile element content
141 of olivines: while macrocrysts from Háleyjabunga are generally enriched in Ca with respect

142 to those from Stapafell (Figs. 4a and 4b), they are noticeably depleted in ITEs (Zr and Y;
143 Figs. 4c and 4d). Moreover, Ti behaves more similarly to highly incompatible Zr than to
144 the other FRTEs because of its valence-controlled behaviour (Figs. 3b and 4c; Table 1).

145 Many elements diffuse rapidly through the olivine crystals (Jurewicz and Watson, 1988;
146 Spandler and O'Neill, 2010). While this diffusion can be exploited for chronometric pur-
147 poses (e.g., Costa et al., 2008), the diffusive re-equilibration of macrocryst compositions can
148 complicate identifying primary geochemical signals (Thomson and MacLennan, 2013; Lynn
149 et al., 2017). However, the sense of correlations between elements that diffuse at different
150 rates suggests that dominant variations observed cannot represent zoning formed by diffu-
151 sive processes (Appendix B). Furthermore, the extent of zoning observed in X-ray maps
152 implies that intra-grain heterogeneities cannot be responsible for the geochemical variabil-
153 ity present across whole populations. Specifically, only one of three grains mapped showed
154 zoning patterns characteristic of rapid olivine crystallisation from enriched boundary layers
155 (Supplementary Material; Milman-Barris et al., 2008; Shea et al., 2015): one macrocryst
156 from Stapafell displays P and Al zoning at intensities just above the limit of detection,
157 while two other macrocrysts, one from Háleyjabunga and one from Stapafell, show almost
158 no detectable evidence of internal zoning. Fine-scale trace element zoning thus appears to
159 be neither ubiquitous nor strongly developed in the olivines studied, and may be absent
160 entirely in samples from the Háleyjabunga eruption. Even in a worst case scenario in which
161 all olivines are zoned like the example from Stapafell, the constant P and Al count rates
162 observed during LA-ICP-MS analyses indicate that trace element variability within olivine
163 cores is no greater in magnitude than analytical uncertainty (Supplementary Material).

164 The geochemical characteristics of melt inclusions from Háleyjabunga and Stapafell have
165 been discussed in detail by MacLennan (2008b). For the purpose of this study, we sum-
166 marise the combined major- and trace-element systematics of melt inclusions on plots of
167 host forsterite content versus Ti/Y and Zr/Y (i.e. Ti/Y_{MI} and Zr/Y_{MI}) (Figs. 5a and 5b).
168 These ratios were selected as proxies for ITE enrichment instead of La/Yb or Nb/Zr because
169 they were determined in both macrocryst and melt inclusion suites. Our new melt inclusion
170 data from Háleyjabunga slightly extend the compositional range reported by MacLennan

171 (2008b), but remain ITE-depleted with respect to published data from Stapafell. For ex-
172 ample, $\text{Ti}/\text{Y}_{\text{MI}}$ is 120–400 in inclusions from Háleyjabunga but 350–600 in inclusions from
173 Stapafell. $\text{Zr}/\text{Y}_{\text{MI}}$ values also show an offset (mostly 0.2–3.0 in Háleyjabunga versus 3.0–
174 5.5 in Stapafell), though rare highly enriched inclusions ($\text{Zr}/\text{Y}_{\text{MI}} > 3.0$) are also present
175 in the otherwise depleted Háleyjabunga dataset. These highly enriched melt inclusions are
176 texturally indistinguishable from their more depleted counterparts, indicating that they are
177 primary also in origin. Indeed, the injection of small quantities of enriched melt into other-
178 wise depleted reservoirs is well documented in Icelandic systems (MacLennan, 2008a; Neave
179 et al., 2014).

180 **5. The effect of fractional crystallisation on olivine compositions**

181 Few oceanic basalts approach the compositions expected for primary melts because they
182 undergo extensive crystallisation at depth (O’Hara, 1968). The effects of shallow differenti-
183 ation must hence be evaluated before interpreting mineral and melt compositions in terms
184 of mantle-derived variability (Langmuir et al., 1992). In order to determine the effects of
185 crystallisation on the geochemical systematics of our samples, we calculated fractionation
186 paths using a forward modelling approach. Liquid and olivine lines of descent were gen-
187 erated for each eruption by incrementally adding equilibrium olivine compositions to their
188 respective matrix glass compositions. Importantly, our assumption of olivine-only crystalli-
189 sation is supported both petrographically ($>\text{Fo}_{80}$ olivine and Cr-spinel occur in an average
190 ratio of 54:1 in QEMSCAN images of our samples; Supplementary Material) and by obser-
191 vations that olivine and Cr-spinel typically crystallise from primitive melts in cotectic ratios
192 of $\sim 100:1$ (Roeder et al., 2006).

193 Matrix glass major element contents were taken from Gurenko and Chaussidon (1995)
194 for Háleyjabunga, and Condomines et al. (1983) and Peate et al. (2009) for Stapafell.
195 Matrix glass trace element contents were estimated from whole-rock compositions using
196 a regression approach described in Appendix C. Equilibrium olivine major element con-
197 tents at each increment were calculated using the $K_{\text{D}_{\text{Fe-Mg}}^{\text{ol-liq}}}$ model of Herzberg and O’Hara
198 (2002). Matrix glass $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ values of 0.14 and 0.21 for Háleyjabunga and Stapafell re-

199 spectively were estimated using the combined MgO–ITE–Fe³⁺/ΣFe systematics of glasses
 200 from the nearby Reykjanes Ridge (Shorttle et al., 2015), and the ability of resulting olivine
 201 lines of descent to reproduce measured olivine compositions, especially with respect to f_{O_2} -
 202 sensitive V. Where possible, olivine minor and trace element contents were estimated using
 203 composition-dependent $D^{\text{ol-liq}}$ values (Beattie et al., 1991; Canil, 1997; Herzberg and O’Hara,
 204 2002; Herzberg et al., 2016); $D^{\text{ol-liq}}$ values were otherwise selected from within experimen-
 205 tally determined ranges (Beattie, 1994; Kohn and Schofield, 1994; Gaetani and Grove, 1997;
 206 Mallmann and O’Neill, 2009; Spandler and O’Neill, 2010). $D^{\text{ol-liq}}$ values and sources are
 207 listed in Table 1. Crystallisation calculations were terminated when modelled forsterite con-
 208 tents reached the most primitive values measured in the products of each eruption. In order
 209 to propagate uncertainties in matrix glass compositions into fractionation paths, plausible
 210 compositional ranges were determined by re-sampling the regression coefficients used to es-
 211 timate matrix glass compositions to normal distributions defined by their means and 1σ
 212 errors (see Appendix C). We thus present fractionation paths as mean values bracketed by
 213 coloured fields reflecting their standard errors (Figs. 3, 4 and 5).

214 The ability of fractional crystallisation to explain the forsterite content-trace element
 215 systematics of olivine macrocrysts varies both between the two eruptions and as a function
 216 of trace element compatibility, modelled using literature data in the case of the latter (Table
 217 1). For example, Co and Ni, which are both compatible in olivine, are broadly accounted
 218 for by fractional crystallisation, uncertainties in matrix glass compositions notwithstanding
 219 (Figs. 3f and 3g): olivine-only fractionation trends are parallel to olivine data arrays. Note,
 220 however, that significant changes in $D_{\text{Co}}^{\text{ol-liq}}$ values during differentiation result in trends that
 221 could initially be interpreted as reflecting incompatible behaviour (Fig. 3f). Manganese,
 222 which has a $D^{\text{ol-liq}}$ value close to unity, is also largely consistent with fractional crystallisation
 223 (Figs. 3e). Vanadium systematics can be broadly reproduced using $D_{\text{V}}^{\text{ol-liq}}$ values calculated
 224 with the f_{O_2} -dependent model of Canil (1997) by assuming that the offset in olivine V
 225 contents between Háleyjabunga and Stapafell represents a change in f_{O_2} from QFM+0.3
 226 to QFM+1.1, an assumption consistent with whole-rock ITE systematics (Shorttle et al.,
 227 2015).

228 While Sc, Ti, Zr and Y, which range from being moderately to highly incompatible in
229 olivine, have compositional arrays that are broadly parallel to fractionation paths calculated
230 for Stapafell, they are either oblique to the paths calculated for Háleyjabunga, or cut across
231 them entirely (Figs. 3a, 3b, 4c and 4d). Al and Ca systematics can be reproduced to a
232 certain degree by our crystallisation models (Figs. 4a and 4b), though Al is more variable
233 than predicted from crystallisation alone, and Ca appears depleted in the most evolved
234 olivines from Háleyjabunga. This depletion probably reflects these olivines' growth from a
235 locally plagioclase-saturated melt lens (perhaps reflected by the presence of rare plagioclase
236 crystals). However, Cr systematics are inconsistent with olivine-only fractionation; sharp
237 decreases in olivine Cr content with decreasing forsterite content are consistent with the
238 co-crystallisation of minor Cr-spinel that had no effect on the systematics of other elements
239 (Appendix D).

240 ITE ratios are often more illustrative of primary enrichment than ITE concentrations
241 because crystallisation effects are largely cancelled out. For example, melt inclusions from
242 Háleyjabunga and Stapafell are readily discriminated based on their Ti/Y_{MI} and Zr/Y_{MI}
243 contents (Figs. 5a and 5b). Similar offsets between the two eruptions are also observed
244 in olivine macrocryst compositions: Ti/Y_{ol} and Zr/Y_{ol} are elevated in macrocrysts from
245 Stapafell with respect to those from Háleyjabunga (Figs. 5c and 5d). Moreover, Ti/Y_{MI}
246 and Zr/Y_{MI} ranges converted into equilibrium olivine compositions largely overlap with
247 compositions determined from olivines themselves (D^{ol-liq} values listed in Table 1). Inclu-
248 sions correspond particularly closely to their hosts in the case of Ti/Y (Fig. 5c), for which
249 the average compositional difference between the two eruptions is also reproduced well by
250 fractional crystallisation calculations. Although Zr/Y_{ol} and Zr/Y_{MI} values from Stapafell
251 broadly align with calculated fractionation paths, Zr/Y_{ol} values from Háleyjabunga are sys-
252 tematically more enriched than both the centroid of Zr/Y_{MI} values and the fractionation
253 paths estimated for this eruption (Fig. 5d). However, this discrepancy is probably analytical
254 in origin: approximately half of the Zr analyses in olivine macrocrysts from Háleyjabunga
255 were below the detection limit (<10 ppb), leading to an inflation in apparent Zr_{ol} concen-
256 trations and a reduction in apparent Zr/Y_{ol} variance. It is nevertheless clear that the ITE

257 variability evident in whole-rock, matrix glass and melt inclusion samples from Háleyjabunga
258 and Stapafell also manifests in olivine macrocrysts; olivines record inter-eruption variations
259 in ITE enrichment directly.

260 **6. Correlations between olivine hosts and their melt inclusions**

261 In order to test whether olivines from Háleyjabunga preserve a similar record of trace
262 element variability to their melt inclusions, we compared the ITE contents of inclusion-
263 host pairs measured in the same crystals (Fig. 6). We found that Y_{MI} correlates with Y_{ol}
264 ($r = 0.54$; Figs. 6a), and that Ti/Y_{MI} and Zr/Y_{MI} also correlate with Ti/Y_{ol} and Zr/Y_{ol}
265 respectively ($r = 0.60$ and $r = 0.49$; Figs. 6b and 6c). The null hypothesis that correlations
266 resulted from random noise (i.e. from analytical errors rather than from geological processes)
267 could be rejected at $p < 0.01$ in all cases.

268 Although these correlations between olivine and melt inclusion indicators of ITE enrich-
269 ment are modest in strength, their presence has two self-reinforcing implications. Firstly,
270 they indicate that enrichments in host crystals and their melt inclusions share a common ori-
271 gin, and hence that neither diffusive pile-up nor dissolution-reaction-mixing processes could
272 have been responsible for the generation of ITE-rich inclusions (cf., Danyushevsky et al.,
273 2004; Baker, 2008). This is because macrocrysts equilibrate with far larger volumes of liquid
274 than their melt inclusions, making them less susceptible to preserving anomalous composi-
275 tions (see Faure and Schiano (2005) for a discussion about melt inclusion entrapment). ITE-
276 enriched melt pools in the Háleyjabunga plumbing system were thus sufficiently voluminous
277 to crystallise large, homogeneous macrocrysts; enrichment was unlikely to have been re-
278 stricted to the grain or sub-grain scale. Indeed, X-ray maps of an olivine from Háleyjabunga
279 do not show P zoning patterns characteristic of boundary-layer crystallisation (Supplemen-
280 tary Material; Milman-Barris et al., 2008; Shea et al., 2015). Moreover, given that trace
281 element count rates remained broadly constant during LA-ICP-MS analyses (Supplemen-
282 tary Material), it is unlikely that Háleyjabunga olivines grew from geochemically anomalous
283 boundary layers.

284 Secondly, ITE correlations between melt inclusions and their host crystals enable other-
285 wise disparate geochemical characteristics to be integrated. For example, on both intra- and
286 inter-eruption scales, it is likely that ITE-enriched olivines crystallised from different batches
287 of not only elementally but also isotopically enriched melts (Fig. 2b; MacLennan, 2008b).
288 Therefore, ITE enrichment in olivines from the Reykjanes Peninsula plausibly correlates
289 with isotopic enrichment in the mantle source. Moreover, if melt inclusion ITE contents
290 correlate with the ITE contents of their olivine hosts, host olivine CTE systematics can be
291 related directly to indicators of ITE enrichment. For instance, the relative enrichment of
292 Ni and Zn in olivines from the Stapafell eruption – Ni and Zn are more abundant at any
293 given forsterite content in olivines from the Stapafell eruption than from the Háleyjabunga
294 eruption – is coupled to an on average ITE-enriched magma composition.

295 In summary, our observations suggest that variably enriched melt inclusions faithfully
296 reflect the supply of compositionally distinct and volumetrically appreciable mantle melt
297 batches that all contributed significantly to erupted crystal cargoes. Elemental systemat-
298 ics and crystallisation models qualitatively suggest that while olivine CTE contents record
299 primarily crustal differentiation processes, olivine and inclusion ITE contents can preserve
300 signals of mantle-derived variability on both intra- and inter-eruption scales. However, in-
301 vestigating the causes of compositional variability using elemental concentrations and ratios
302 alone excludes the information encoded in the variance structures of geochemical datasets
303 (Rubin and Sinton, 2007; Shorttle, 2015). We therefore demonstrate below how specifically
304 examining variance can help us to understand the causes of geochemical variability in the
305 following section.

306 **7. Evaluating the origins of trace element variability**

307 In the previous sections we showed that CTE and ITE variability in Háleyjabunga and
308 Stapafell olivines and their melt inclusions can be accounted for by a mixture of differ-
309 entiation and primary chemical variability. Here we formally assess whether the chemical
310 variability in our olivine and melt inclusion datasets is more consistent with fractional melt-
311 ing of the mantle or fractional crystallisation at shallower levels. We perform this analysis

312 by comparing our olivine and melt inclusion datasets with simple analytical forward models
 313 designed to estimate the variance generated by these different processes.

314 7.1. Analytical forward models: mathematical background

315 Rudge et al. (2013) provided expressions for the moments of a simple and widely used
 316 instantaneous fractional melting model described by

$$c = \frac{C_0}{D}(1 - X)^{1/D-1}, \quad (1)$$

317 where c is the concentration of an element of interest in the liquid, C_0 is the concentration
 318 of the element in the solid source, D is a bulk solid-liquid partition coefficient (which is con-
 319 stant in this case) and X is the degree of melting (e.g., Rollinson, 2014). For our calculations,
 320 we used a depleted mantle composition from McKenzie and O’Nions (1991), and calculated
 321 bulk D values using mineral modes from Walter (1998) and mineral-liquid partition coeffi-
 322 cients taken primarily from McKenzie and O’Nions (1991), with additional FRTE partition
 323 coefficients appropriate for modelling high-temperature mafic systems collated from a range
 324 of other sources (Klöck and Palme, 1988; Yurimoto and Ohtani, 1992; Horn et al., 1994;
 325 Klemme et al., 2006; Righter et al., 2006; Elkins et al., 2008; Liu et al., 2014). Assuming
 326 constant weights for each melt increment (i.e. the simplest case of a one-dimensional melting
 327 column with constant productivity) and that no mixing or melt accumulation takes place
 328 during transport to the crust (e.g., Spiegelman and Kelemen, 2003), the mean compositions
 329 and relative variances (σ^2) of the resulting melts are described by

$$\bar{C}_{\text{melt}} = \frac{C_0}{X_{\text{max}}} \left(1 - (1 - X_{\text{max}})^{1/D} \right), \quad (2)$$

330 and

$$\left(\frac{\sigma_{\text{melt}}}{C_0} \right)^2 = \frac{1}{X_{\text{max}}} \left(\frac{1 - (1 - X_{\text{max}})^{2/D-1}}{D(2 - D)} - \frac{\left(1 - (1 - X_{\text{max}})^{1/D} \right)^2}{X_{\text{max}}} \right). \quad (3)$$

331 For interrogating natural data it is convenient to calculate the relative variance with
 332 respect to the mean concentration, \bar{C}_{melt} , rather than the unknown source composition, C_0 .
 333 Combining 2 and 3 gives the mean-relative variance

$$\left(\frac{\sigma_{\text{melt}}}{\overline{C}_{\text{melt}}}\right)^2 = \frac{X_{\text{max}}\left(1 - (1 - X_{\text{max}})^{(2/D)-1}\right)}{D(2 - D)\left(1 - (1 - X_{\text{max}})^{1/D}\right)^2} - 1. \quad (4)$$

334 We also derived the equivalent expressions for fractional crystallisation described by the
335 Rayleigh fractionation equation

$$c = C_0 X^{D-1}, \quad (5)$$

336 where X is now the melt fraction remaining (i.e. $X = 1$ is un-differentiated), and C_0 is
337 the starting liquid composition. The D values we use for fractional crystallisation assume
338 olivine-only differentiation and were calculated for a fixed olivine composition of Fo₉₀. For
339 fractional crystallisation, the mean compositions and relative variances of the melts are thus
340 given by

$$\overline{C}_{\text{diff}} = \frac{C_0 (X_{\text{min}}^D - 1)}{D (X_{\text{min}} - 1)}, \quad (6)$$

$$\left(\frac{\sigma_{\text{diff}}}{C_0}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{X_{\text{min}} - 1} \left(\frac{X_{\text{min}}^{2D-1} - 1}{2D - 1} - \frac{1}{D^2} \frac{(X_{\text{min}}^D - 1)^2}{X_{\text{min}} - 1} \right), \quad (7)$$

341 and

$$\left(\frac{\sigma_{\text{diff}}}{\overline{C}_{\text{diff}}}\right)^2 = \frac{D^2 (X_{\text{max}} - 1) (X_{\text{max}}^{2D-1} - 1)}{(X_{\text{max}}^D - 1)^2 (2D - 1)} - 1. \quad (8)$$

342 The initial variance predicted from melting or differentiation (Equations 8 and 4 respec-
343 tively) can be subsequently reduced by mixing according to

$$\sigma_m^2 = \sigma_0^2 (1 - M), \quad (9)$$

344 where σ_0^2 is the initial trace element variance, σ_m^2 is the resulting trace element variance
345 and M is the mixing parameter ($0 \leq M \leq 1$; MacLennan, 2008a). Mixing therefore compli-
346 cates our ability to compare observed and predicted trace element variances by reducing the
347 compositional variability present in natural datasets from that originally generated by either
348 melting or crystallisation. However, mixing reduces the variance of trace elements equally

349 (i.e. trace elements behave like passive tracers), and so considering the ratio of variances
350 mitigates the effect of mixing on the analysis. (Mixing does nonetheless move all elemental
351 variances closer to the limit of analytical precision, thus hampering analysis of variance ra-
352 tios in this way.) We consider both raw relative variances (i.e. mean normalised variances)
353 and relative variance ratios in our following comparison of natural data and forward models.

354 *7.2. Comparison of natural data with analytical variance models*

355 Relative variances of olivine macrocryst and melt inclusion trace element concentrations
356 were corrected for contributions from analytical errors using the approach of MacLennan et al.
357 (2001), and are compared with analytical forward models of fractional crystallisation, spinel-
358 field melting and garnet-field melting in Figs. 7a, 7b and 7c respectively. Patterns of FRTE
359 variance in olivines from both eruptions can be reproduced by fractional crystallisation when
360 $D^{\text{ol-liq}}$ values are well known and greater than or close to unity (Fig. 7a); variability in olivine
361 Ni, Co and Mn contents can be accounted for by crustal differentiation. Unfortunately,
362 similar comparisons are equivocal on the origins of FRTE variance when partition coefficients
363 are either poorly defined (e.g., Zn and Cu) or affected by other factors (e.g., f_{O_2} in the case
364 of V; Canil, 1997), or when an assumption of olivine-only crystallisation is inadequate (e.g.,
365 as a result of Cr-spinel crystallisation in the case of Cr; Appendix D).

366 Differences between the ITE variance structures of Háleyjabunga olivines and melt inclu-
367 sions on one hand and Stapafell olivines on the other are more discriminatory. The relative
368 variance of ITEs increases with decreasing compatibility in both olivines and melt inclu-
369 sions from Háleyjabunga. Despite relationships between compatibility and variance being
370 well established for matrix glass and melt inclusion suites (e.g., Sobolev and Shimizu, 1993;
371 MacLennan et al., 2003; Rubin and Sinton, 2007; Shorttle, 2015), comparable records from
372 volcanic macrocryst suites are rare (Winpenny and MacLennan, 2011). Although the nearly
373 three orders of magnitude increase in relative variance across the melt inclusion dataset is
374 more striking than the one order of magnitude increase across the olivine dataset, a steady
375 increase in variance in the order Sc–Yb–Y–Ti–Zr indicates that variance and compatibility
376 are related in a way that would be expected for diverse basaltic magmas derived by frac-

377 tional melting. Importantly, the ITE variance structures in the Háleyjabunga datasets are
378 inconsistent with a fractional crystallisation origin (Fig. 7a): ITEs cannot be fractionated
379 from each other significantly during differentiation at high melt fractions (i.e. when X is
380 close to 1, which it must be for melts crystallising such forsteritic olivines). A correlation
381 between ITE variance and incompatibility is however consistent with fractional melting that
382 operates at low melt fractions (i.e. when X is close to 0), implying that ITE variability in
383 Háleyjabunga has been inherited from mantle processes (Figs. 7b and 7c).

384 In contrast with Háleyjabunga, ITE variance in olivines from Stapafell does not correlate
385 with compatibility: Zr and Y are equally variable, as are Ti and Yb (Fig. 7). The variance-
386 compatibility trend observed for olivines from Stapafell thus cuts across the trends calculated
387 using analytical fractional melting models (Figs. 7b and 7c), meaning that any initial com-
388 positional heterogeneities must have been thoroughly overprinted. Broadly constant relative
389 variances in the order Sc–Yb–Y–Ti–Zr are however consistent with fractional crystallisation
390 being the dominant control on trace element variance in olivines from Stapafell (Fig. 7a).
391 In order to validate the dichotomy between melting-dominated signals in Háleyjabunga and
392 crystallisation-dominated signals in Stapafell, we now extend our analysis to relative variance
393 ratios (e.g., $\sigma_{\text{Zr}}^2/\sigma_{\text{Y}}^2$) that are more robust to degradation by mixing.

394 Observed relative variance ratios are compared with relative variance ratios calculated
395 for fractional crystallisation and fractional melting in Figs. 8a and 8b respectively. In line
396 with observations from raw relative variances, $\sigma_{\text{Zr}}^2/\sigma_{\text{Y}}^2$ for the olivine dataset from Stapafell
397 is reproduced better by fractional crystallisation than partial melting (Fig 8a). Moreover,
398 although spinel-field melting can also reproduce the observed variance, garnet-field melting,
399 which is required to generate observed REE patterns (Gurenko and Chaussidon, 1995),
400 would result in much more variance than observed. Our analysis of trace element variance
401 in olivine macrocrysts from Stapafell is thus wholly consistent with previous interpretations
402 that any mantle-derived heterogeneity in the Stapafell magma must have been erased by
403 mixing before crystallisation took place (Maclennan, 2008b). Indeed, numerical treatments
404 of basalt mixing suggest that ITE-enriched magmas like those erupted at Stapafell may
405 be homogenised during their extraction from the mantle, reducing the variability of ITE-

406 enriched melts before they even reach the crust (Rudge et al., 2013; Jennings et al., 2017).

407 Fractional crystallisation cannot reproduce the relative variance ratios observed in either
408 olivine macrocrysts or melt inclusions from Háleyjabunga (Fig. 8a). Fractional melting in
409 the garnet-field is nevertheless capable of generating the variance observed in the olivine
410 dataset, though it underestimates the amount of variability in the melt inclusion dataset.
411 However, we do not attach any geological significance to this mismatch for the following two
412 reasons: firstly, σ_{Zr}^2 is probably underestimated because Zr was present at below-detection-
413 limit levels in the most ITE-depleted macrocrysts; and secondly, our treatment of mantle
414 melting is highly simplified and useful only in an illustrative sense – robust treatments of
415 mantle melting must not only take account of the pressure-temperature-composition de-
416 pendence of partition coefficients (Blundy and Wood, 2003), but also the variable fusibil-
417 ities of different components in a geochemically and lithologically heterogeneous mantle
418 (Hirschmann and Stolper, 1996; Shorttle et al., 2014). Nevertheless, it seems beyond doubt
419 that mantle melting is responsible for generating the ITE variance in the Háleyjabunga
420 eruption, and that this has been recorded in both olivine and olivine-hosted melt inclusion
421 compositions.

422 8. Enriched lithologies in the Icelandic mantle

423 Differences between average ITE concentrations and ratios in samples from Háleyjabunga
424 and Stapafell reflect different mantle melting conditions (Fig. 7; Gurenko and Chaussidon,
425 1995). Furthermore, differences in isotopic composition between the two eruptions imply
426 that source heterogeneity also contributed towards their distinctive chemistries (MacLennan,
427 2008b). However, neither ITEs nor radiogenic isotopes encode much information about
428 variations in mantle lithology; only the former encode information about the presence of
429 spinel or garnet in the mantle source. In contrast, FRTEs, which range from being highly
430 compatible to moderately incompatible in mantle minerals (e.g., Le Roux et al., 2011), are
431 theoretically much more sensitive to variations in source lithology, and high Ni/(Mg/Fe),
432 Fe/Mn, Ni/Co and 10000Zn/Fe values have all been proposed as proxies for olivine-free

433 lithologies in the source regions of enriched OIBs (Sobolev et al., 2007; Le Roux et al., 2010;
434 Herzberg et al., 2016).

435 Although olivines from Stapafell are Ni-rich with respect to those from Háleyjabunga
436 (Fig. 3g), olivine Ni/(Mg/Fe) contents from both eruptions ($756\pm 59(1\sigma)$ and $625\pm 34(1\sigma)$
437 respectively) lie firmly within the peridotitic source field defined by Sobolev et al. (2007).
438 Olivines from the two eruptions are also barely distinguishable in terms of their Fe/Mn and
439 10000Zn/Fe contents ($65.6\pm 3.0(1\sigma)$ and $8.3\pm 1.1(1\sigma)$, and $61.6\pm 2.1(1\sigma)$ and $8.9\pm 0.4(1\sigma)$ in
440 olivines from Stapafell and Háleyjabunga respectively). Olivine CTE contents from these
441 geochemical end-member eruptions thus imply melting of an isotopically heterogeneous yet
442 lithologically homogeneous mantle source. Moreover, the higher Ni content of olivines from
443 Stapafell can be accounted for by the large temperature difference between the source regions
444 of ITE-enriched melts and the crust where they start to crystallise (Matzen et al., 2013;
445 Matthews et al., 2016). However, the Fe and Ca systematics of Icelandic basalts, including
446 of those from the Reykjanes Peninsula, are inconsistent with a single mantle source lithology
447 (Shorttle and MacLennan, 2011). A more nuanced interpretation is thus required.

448 By identifying correlations between trace and major elements in primitive basalts from
449 Iceland, Shorttle and MacLennan (2011) demonstrated that the high Fe content of ITE-
450 enriched magmas cannot be generated by melting KLB1-like lherzolite alone, an inter-
451 pretation supported by recent thermodynamic investigations of mantle melting (Jennings
452 et al., 2016). Shorttle and MacLennan (2011) hence concluded that an enriched and more
453 fusible component is also required to match combined geochemical and geophysical (e.g.,
454 crustal thickness) observations from Iceland. Shorttle et al. (2014) subsequently developed
455 a tri-lithologic (i.e. lherzolite-harzburgite-pyroxenite (*sensu lato*)) melting model that best
456 reproduced geological observations from Iceland when 10 % of the mantle was composed
457 of enriched, pyroxenitic material. Importantly, similar results were obtained when either
458 an olivine-free pyroxenite (G2; Pertermann and Hirschmann, 2003) or an olivine-bearing
459 pyroxenite-peridotite hybrid (KG1; Kogiso et al., 1998) were considered as potential en-
460 riched lithologies.

461 Integrating our CTE measurements, which are indicative of a peridotitic mantle source,

462 with the observations and modelling of Shorttle and MacLennan (2011) and Shorttle et al.
463 (2014), which necessitate lithological heterogeneity, suggests that enriched magmas from
464 the Reykjanes Peninsula of Iceland are sourced from lithologically enriched yet still olivine-
465 bearing mantle domains (cf., Sobolev et al., 2007). Crucially, even if olivine-free pyroxenites
466 were present in the Icelandic mantle, the CTE content of the ITE-enriched olivines we have
467 observed severely limits their possible contribution to aggregated melts: we observe olivine
468 CTE contents to be overwhelmingly dominated by melts from olivine-bearing lithologies.

469 The implications of this synthesis are two-fold. Firstly, the subducted material that
470 ultimately formed enriched components of the Icelandic mantle is unlikely to have retained
471 physical coherency during subsequent mixing and reaction with more depleted components
472 (e.g., Gurenko et al., 2009). Indeed, enriched lithologies sampled by melting are thought to
473 be generated in myriad ways (Herzberg, 2011). Secondly, observing olivine CTE systematics
474 indicative of melt supply from olivine-bearing lithologies is insufficient evidence to discount
475 lithological heterogeneity in the source regions of their carrier melts. That is, olivine FRTE
476 contents from the Reykjanes Peninsula are insensitive to the modal heterogeneity required to
477 account for the major element contents of their host lavas. Thus, the presence and abundance
478 of enriched mantle lithologies cannot be simply estimated from the minor element content
479 of erupted olivines as previously envisaged (e.g., Sobolev et al., 2007; Le Roux et al., 2011).

480 **9. Summary**

481 We have used microanalytical observations of olivine macrocrysts and melt inclusions
482 from two primitive and variably enriched eruptions from Iceland to demonstrate that inclu-
483 sions and their host crystals preserve coherent patterns of trace element variability and hence
484 record the same magmatic processes. We show that degrees of mantle-derived ITE enrich-
485 ment can be estimated from olivine macrocrysts directly, albeit with a greater uncertainty
486 than when using melt inclusion compositions, and only if olivine macrocryst compositions
487 have not been compromised by rapid growth under disequilibrium conditions. Formerly
488 inaccessible records of geochemical variability preserved in olivine macrocrysts from ancient
489 or altered samples are thus now within analytical grasp. Moreover, by measuring the ITE

490 content of olivine macrocrysts alongside their CTE contents, we have been able to integrate
491 previously decoupled ITE and CTE records of melting and crystallisation processes.

492 Simple fractional crystallisation models reveal that much intra-eruption CTE variability
493 (concentrations and variance) in our Icelandic samples can be accounted for by magmatic
494 differentiation in the crust, i.e. by olivine crystallisation. Although ITE variability (con-
495 centrations, ratios and variance) in the enriched Stapafell eruption is also consistent with
496 fractional crystallisation, ITE variability in the depleted Háleyjabunga eruption has been
497 largely inherited from mantle melting. Importantly, inter- and intra-eruption correlations
498 between olivine and inclusion ITE contents validates previous assumptions that olivine-
499 hosted melt inclusions are reliable archives of mantle-derived heterogeneity; localised crustal
500 processes are unlikely to generate the majority of ITE-enriched melt inclusions.

501 By integrating our CTE and ITE data with previously published major element data
502 and modelling studies, we conclude that there is currently no evidence for the presence of
503 olivine-free lithologies in the Icelandic mantle. Our findings are instead consistent with a
504 mantle source containing $\sim 10\%$ modally enriched peridotite, a fusible and Fe-rich lithology
505 that can simultaneously account for the olivine chemistry we observe and the combined
506 major and trace element systematics of Icelandic basalts documented more widely. We thus
507 show that olivine CTE contents provide an incomplete picture of lithological heterogeneity
508 in the mantle, and must be combined with other observations to accurately estimate propor-
509 tions of enriched or recycled components at depth. Modally enriched, but olivine-bearing,
510 mantle domains may therefore contribute more significantly to the genesis of oceanic mag-
511 mas in a range of settings than previously inferred from the CTE content of erupted olivine
512 macrocrysts.

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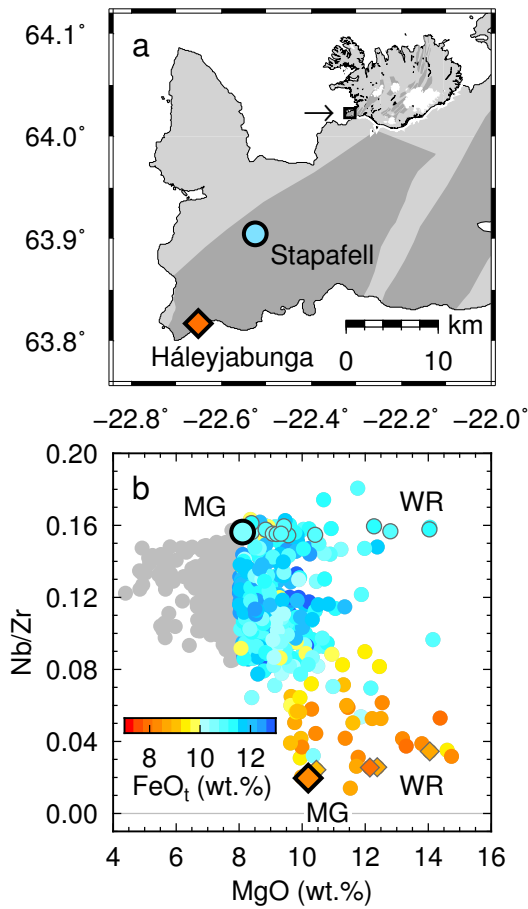


Figure 1: (a) Map showing the location of the Háleyjabunga lava shield and Stapafell subglacial lava flow on the Reykjanes Peninsula of south-west Iceland. The two eruptions are located within the Reykjanes-Svartsengi volcanic system, the westernmost sub-aerial expression of the Mid-Atlantic Ridge on Iceland; dark grey fields show the outlines of different volcanic systems. (b) Combined major- and trace-element systematics of whole-rock and matrix glass samples from the Reykjanes Peninsula and Western Volcanic Zone of Iceland (Shorttle and MacLennan, 2011). Samples with MgO contents above 8 wt.% are coloured by their FeO_t contents to illustrate how major element variability correlates with incompatible trace element (ITE) enrichment. Whole-rock compositions from Háleyjabunga and Stapafell are shown as small outlined diamonds and circles respectively (WR; Hémond et al., 1993; Hardarson et al., 1997; Thirlwall et al., 2004, 2006; Peate et al., 2009). Average matrix glass compositions are shown as large outlined symbols (MG; Condomines et al., 1983; Gurenko and Chaussidon, 1995; Peate et al., 2009). Analytical uncertainties are comparable in size to the symbols.

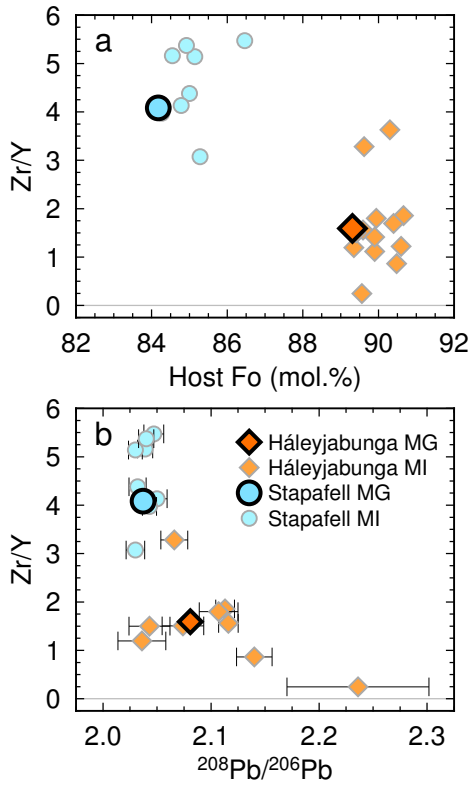


Figure 2: Plots summarising observations made on olivine-hosted melt inclusions (MI) from Háleyjabunga and Stapafell by Maclennan (2008b). Matrix glass (MG) compositions are shown for comparison (see Figure 1 for data sources). 1σ uncertainties in trace element compositions and host olivine forsterite contents are comparable in magnitude to the symbol sizes. 1σ errors in Pb isotope compositions are shown.

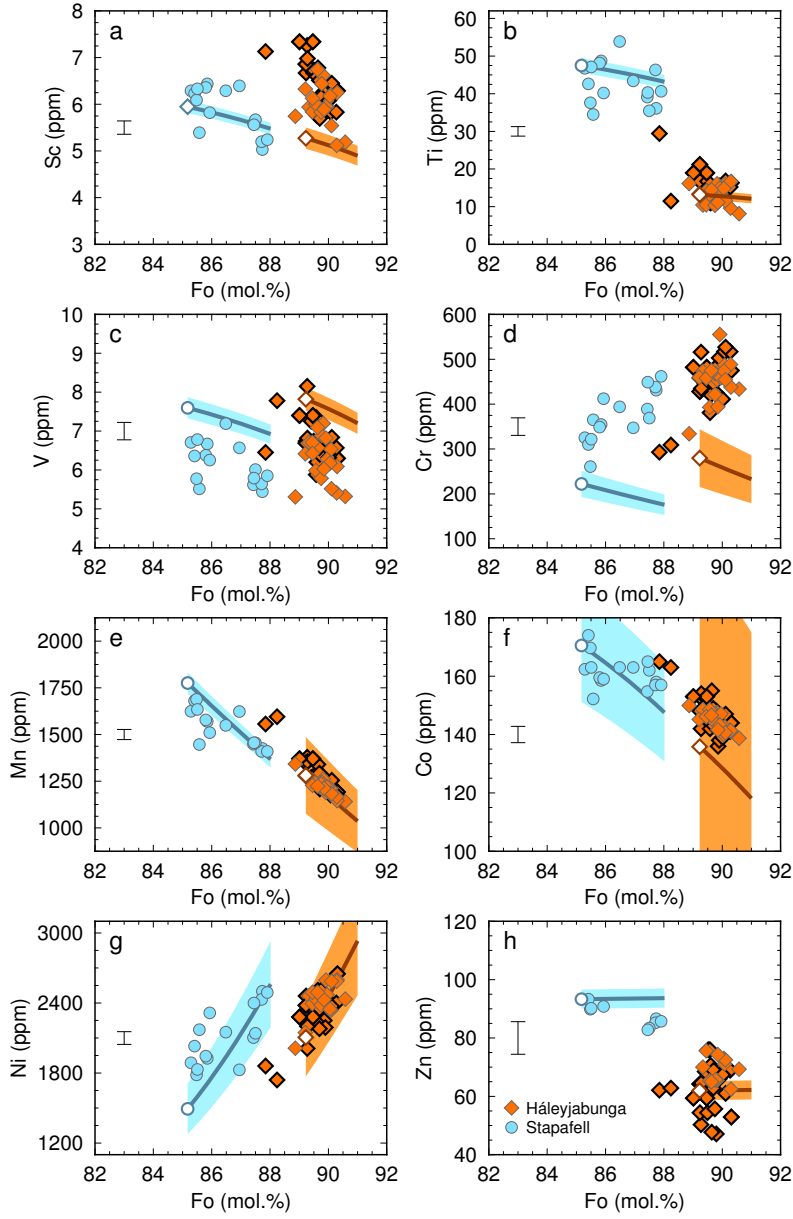


Figure 3: Plots summarising first row transition element (FRTE) systematics in olivine macrocrysts from Háleyjabunga and Stapafell. Macrocrysts in which melt inclusions were also analysed are shown with black outlines. 2σ analytical errors are shown for FRTEs. Thick lines show olivine compositions lying on reverse crystallisation paths calculated by incrementally adding equilibrium olivine compositions to estimated matrix glass compositions. Matrix glass trace element compositions were estimated using a regression approach described in Appendix C, and are shown as open symbols. Coloured fields show the effects of propagating errors in estimated matrix glass compositions into crystallisation paths. Sources of $D^{\text{ol-liq}}$ values used to calculate olivine compositions are provided in Table 1.

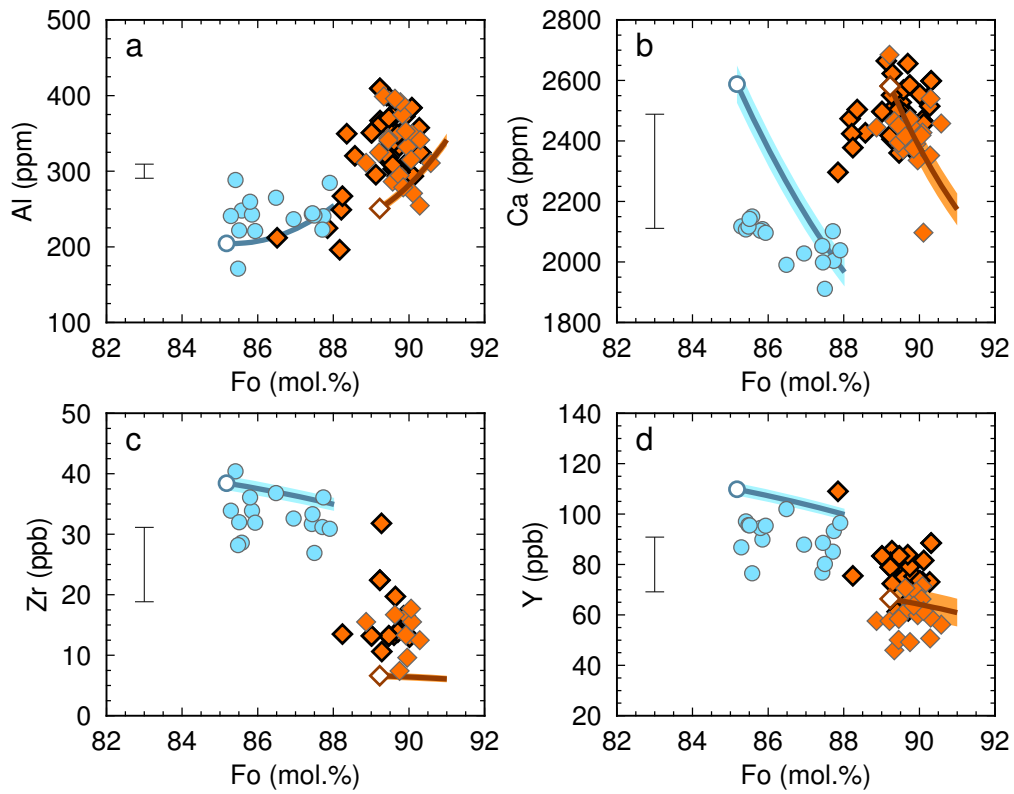


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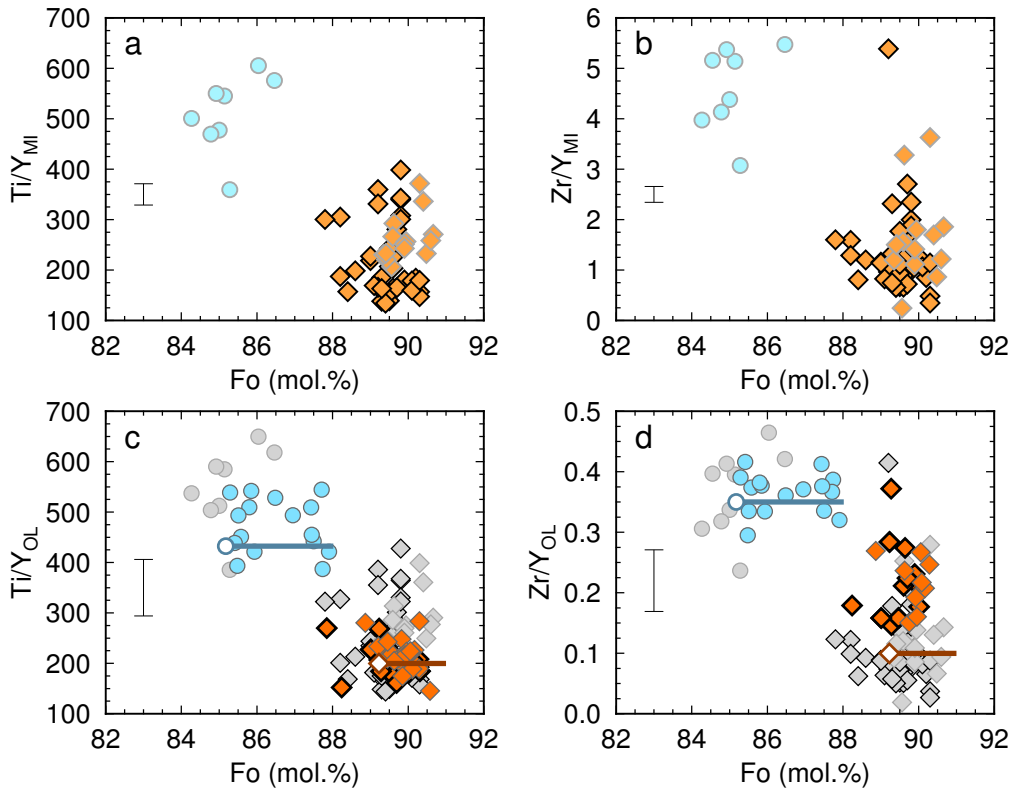


Figure 5: (a and b) Plots summarising trace element systematics in melt inclusions (MI). New data for Háleyjabunga are shown with black outlines; data from MacLennan (2008b) are outlined in grey. 2σ analytical errors in melt inclusion compositions are shown. (c and d) Plots comparing trace element systematics in olivine macrocrysts (ol; shown using the same coloured symbols as in Figure 3) with melt inclusion compositions converted into equilibrium olivine compositions using D^{ol-liq} values provided in Table 1 (shown using grey symbols outlined as in (a) and (b)). Thick lines show reverse crystallisation paths as in Figures 3 and 4. Note that approximately half of the Zr analyses in olivine macrocrysts from Háleyjabunga were below the detection limit and are consequently not shown. 2σ analytical errors in olivine compositions are shown.

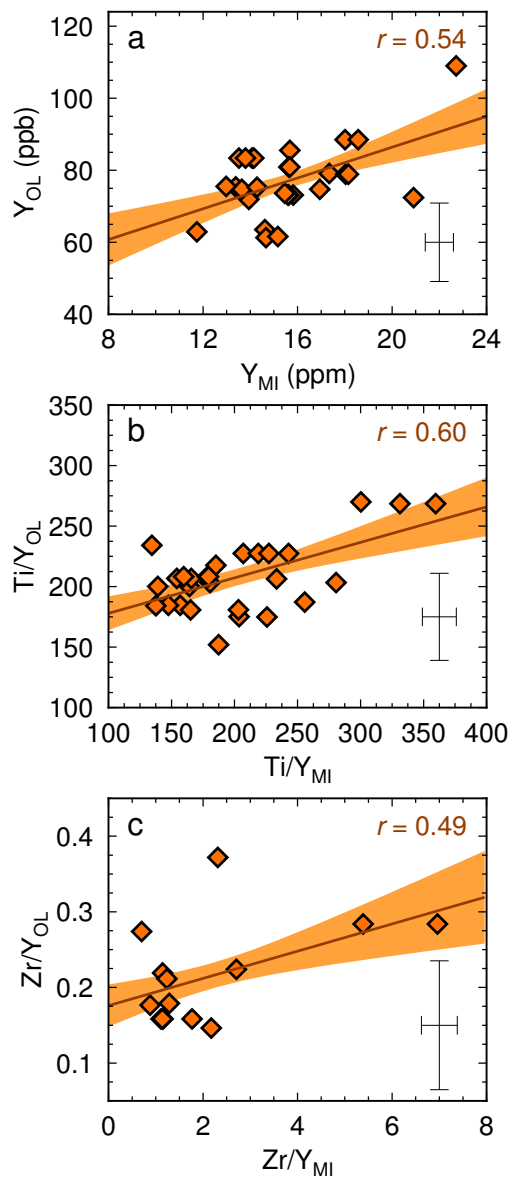


Figure 6: Relationships between the trace element content of olivine macrocrystals (ol) from Háleyjabunga and melt inclusions they host (MI). Orange fields represent simulations where the data have been randomly re-sampled according to analytical uncertainties to indicate the stability of regressions through them. Dark orange lines represent the mean results of these simulations. Correlation coefficients (r -values) are provided alongside 2σ analytical errors.

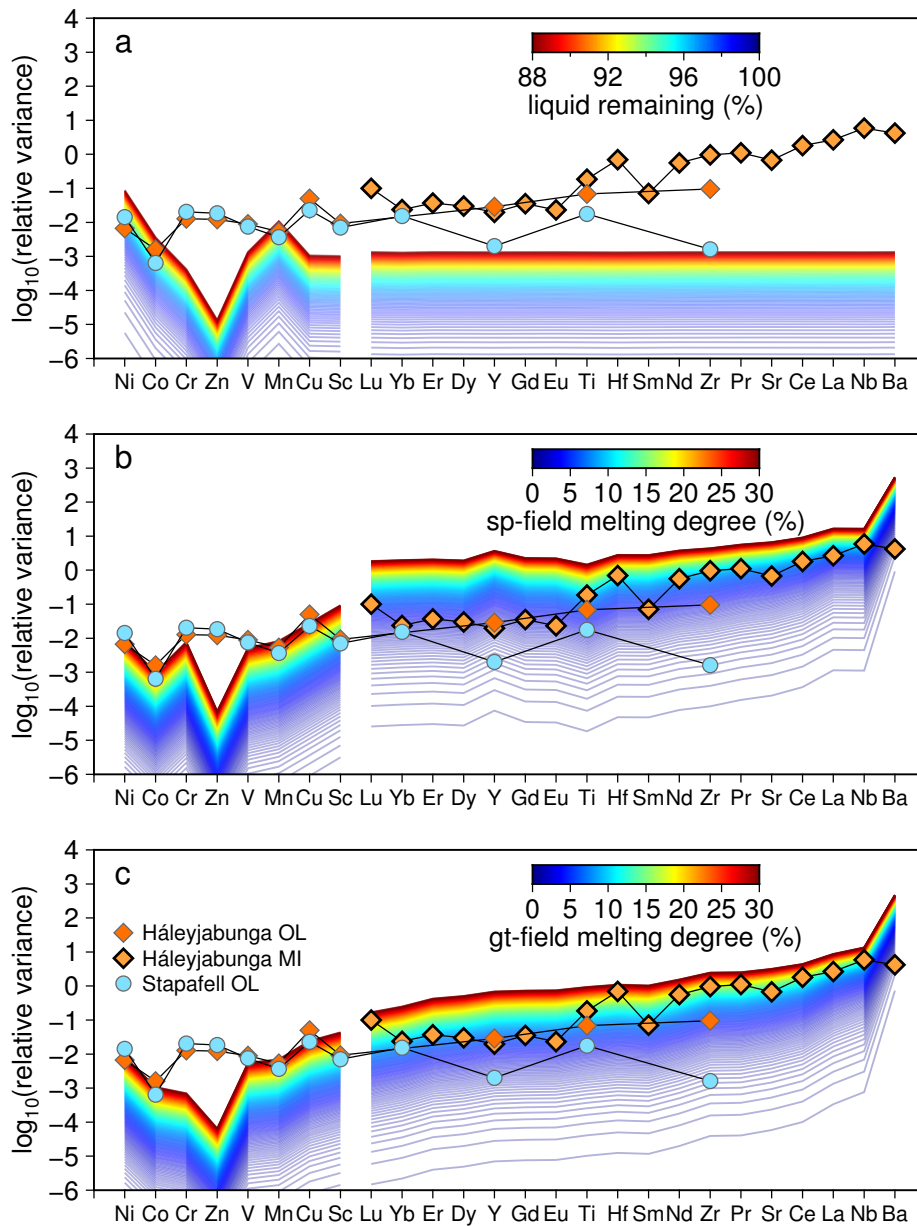


Figure 7: Comparison of the relative variance of trace elements in Háleyjabunga and Stapafell olivines, and Háleyjabunga melt inclusions. The same data are shown in all panels: orange diamonds with thin and thick outlines indicate olivine and melt inclusion data from Háleyjabunga respectively, and blue circles indicate olivine data from Stapafell. These data are overlain onto curves showing the relative variability of trace elements predicted to result from fractional crystallisation (a, equation 8), spinel-field mantle melting (b, equation 4), and garnet-field mantle melting (c, equation 4). Curves are coloured by the remaining liquid fraction (a) or the degree of melting (b and c). Uncertainties are smaller than the symbols.

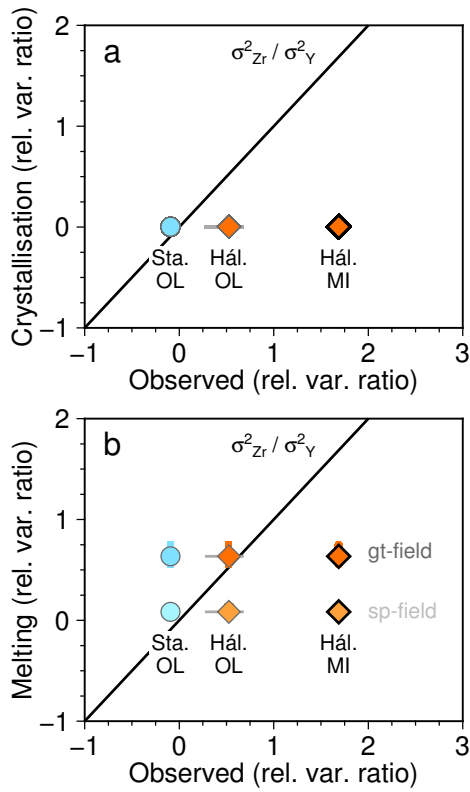


Figure 8: Observed relative variance ratios of Zr and Y compared with predictions from fractional crystallisation (a) and fractional melting (b). Calculating variance ratios mitigates the effect of magma mixing on raw variances (shown in Fig. 7). Horizontal grey bars show the 2σ uncertainties on observed relative variance ratios. Large symbols in (b) show the predicted relative variance ratio at 20% melting and vertical bars the full range of variance present in incremental melts resulting from 1% to 30% melting.

Element	Minimum value	Maximum value	Constant value	Source	Reported values ($\pm 1\sigma$)
Al	5.09×10^{-03}	8.28×10^{-03}		Herzberg and O'Hara (2002)	
Ca	2.33×10^{-02}	2.88×10^{-02}		Herzberg and O'Hara (2002)	
Sc			0.14	Beattie (1994)	0.13 ± 0.01
Ti			4.50×10^{-03}	Mallmann and O'Neill (2009) Spandler and O'Neill (2010)	$5.30 \pm 0.15 \times 10^{-03}$ $1.90 \pm 0.13 \times 10^{-03}$
V	2.41×10^{-02}	3.73×10^{-02}		Canil (1997)	(f_{O_2} -dependent)
Cr	0.41	0.52		Herzberg and O'Hara (2002)	
Mn	0.84	1.20		Herzberg and O'Hara (2002)	
Co	2.28	3.58		Beattie et al. (1991)	
Ni	7.69	13.2		Beattie et al. (1991)	
Cu			0.11	Gaetani and Grove (1997)	0.11 ± 0.04
Zn			1.04	Kohn and Schofield (1994)	(NBO/T-dependent)
Y			4.50×10^{-03}	Beattie (1994) Spandler and O'Neill (2010)	$4.94 \pm 0.15 \times 10^{-03}$ $3.60 \pm 0.29 \times 10^{-03}$
Zr			3.80×10^{-04}	Spandler and O'Neill (2010)	$3.80 \pm 0.35 \times 10^{-04}$
Yb			1.84×10^{-02}	Beattie (1994)	$1.84 \pm 0.09 \times 10^{-02}$

Table 1: Summary of $D^{\text{ol-liq}}$ values, models and sources used during forward and analytical modelling of fractional crystallisation.

768 Appendix A. Details of analytical methods

769 Appendix A.1. Electron probe microanalysis (EPMA)

770 Olivine macrocrysts were analysed with a Cameca SX100 at the University of Cambridge,
771 UK, using a $1\mu\text{m}$ beam and an operating potential of 15 kV. Major elements (Si, Fe and Mg)
772 were measured with a beam current of 20 nA and minor elements (Al, Cr, Mn, Ca, P and
773 Ni) were measured with a beam current of 100 nA. Major elements were counted on peak for
774 20 s. Minor elements were counted on peak for the following durations: Al, 450 s; Cr, 120
775 s; Mn, 120 s; Ca, 300 s; P, 450 s; and Ni, 240 s. Background counting times were half the
776 peak counting times for each element. The following compositions were used as calibration
777 standards: diopside for Si and Ca, corundum for Al, Cr metal for Cr, fayalite for Fe, Mn
778 metal for Mn, St. John's olivine for Mg, apatite for P and NiO for Ni. Measurements of the
779 San Carlos olivine standard (NMNH 111312-44; Jarosewich et al., 1980) indicate that major
780 element and Ni analyses were accurate to better than 1.5 % relative, and that Mn analyses
781 were accurate to better than 6 % relative (Supplementary Material). Repeat analyses of

782 unknowns indicate that major elements were determined with 1σ relative precisions better
783 than 1 %, while minor elements were determined with 1σ relative precisions ranging from
784 1.5% for Ni to 32 % for Cr (Supplementary Material).

785 Olivine-hosted melt inclusions were also analysed with a Cameca SX100 at the University
786 of Cambridge, UK, using a 10 μm beam, an operating potential of 15 kV and a beam
787 current of 6 nA. Elements were counted on peak for the following durations: Si, 20 s; Ti,
788 60 s; Al, 30 s; Fe, 20 s; Mn, 30 s; Mg, 20 s; Ca, 60 s; Na, 10 s; K, 10 s; P, 60 s; and S,
789 90 s. Background counting times were half the peak counting times for each element. The
790 following compositions were used as calibration standards: diopside for Si and Ca, corundum
791 for Al, Cr metal for Cr, fayalite for Fe, Mn metal for Mn, St. John's olivine for Mg, jadeite
792 for Na, K-feldspar for K, apatite for P and celestine for S. Measurements of the GOR128-G
793 glass standard standard indicate that individual analyses were accurate to better than 6 %
794 relative, and that major and minor elements were determined with 1σ relative precisions
795 better than 2 % and 13 % respectively (Supplementary Material).

796 A small number of Cr-spinel macrocrysts were analysed with a Cameca SX100 at the
797 Leibniz Universität Hannover, Germany, using a 1 μm beam, an operating potential of 15
798 kV and a beam current of 15 nA. All elements (Si, Ti, Al, Cr, Fe, Mn, Mg, Ca and Na)
799 were counted on peak for 20 s and off peak for 10 s apart from Na, which was counted for 10
800 s on peak. Measurements of a chromite standard (NMNH 117075; Jarosewich et al., 1980)
801 indicate that major element analyses were accurate to better than 5 % relative.

802 X-ray maps of two olivines from Stapafell were produced with a Cameca SX100 at the
803 Leibniz Universität Hannover, Germany, using a setup similar to that described by Shea
804 et al. (2015). Mg, Al, Ni, Ca and P intensities were mapped using an operating potential
805 of 20 kV, a beam current of 300 nA, a dwell time of 200 μs and a pixel spacing of 2 μm .
806 Similar maps of one olivine from Háleyjabunga were were produced with a Cameca SX100
807 at the University of Cambridge, UK, using a beam current of 200 nA, a dwell time of 500 μs
808 and a pixel spacing of 3 μm .

809 *Appendix A.2. Laser ablation inductively-coupled mass spectrometry (LA-ICP-MS)*

810 Olivine macrocrysts were analysed with a ThermoScientific ElementXR fast-scanning
811 sector-field ICP-MS coupled to a laser ablation system based on a Spectra Physics Solstice
812 194 nm femtosecond (fs) laser at the Leibniz Universität Hannover, Germany. Samples were
813 ablated by rastering a 30 μm laser spot over areas of $100 \times 100 \mu\text{m}$ with a laser repetition rate
814 of 20 Hz following the principles outlined by Horn et al. (2006). During analysis, ablated
815 material was transported to the ICP-MS in He that was mixed with Ar before entering the
816 plasma torch. The following isotopes were then measured using the ICP-MS in low mass
817 resolution mode: ^{27}Al , ^{29}Si , ^{31}P , ^{43}Ca , ^{45}Sc , ^{47}Ti , ^{49}Ti , ^{51}V , ^{53}Cr , ^{55}Mn , ^{59}Co , ^{60}Ni , ^{63}Cu ,
818 ^{66}Zn , ^{89}Y , ^{90}Zr and ^{172}Yb . Five mass lines were each measured for 5 ms in the peak centres of
819 each isotope, resulting in a total sweep time of ~ 1 s. Oxide formation rates were monitored
820 by measuring ThO/Th ratios, which were always 0.1–0.4 %. Signals were acquired for a total
821 of 120 s per analysis with the laser off for the first 40 s in order to determine background count
822 rates. Note that samples were pre-rastered before analysis to remove surface contamination.
823 A 120 s gas rinse-out time was used after pre-rastering to allow element signals to return
824 to baseline levels. SiO_2 contents determined by EPMA were used as an internal standard
825 (^{29}Si), and the BIR-1G glass standard was used for quantification (Jochum et al., 2006).
826 Measurements of the BCR-2G glass standard indicate that most elemental analyses were
827 accurate to better than 10 % relative, with only P, Cr and Cu returning deviations of >10
828 % relative (Supplementary Material; Jochum et al., 2006). However, poorly-quantified P
829 was only used to monitor for the presence of cryptic zoning in olivine (e.g., Milman-Barris
830 et al., 2008), and Cr and Cu are present at concentrations approaching their detection limits
831 in BCR-2G. Repeat analyses of a San Carlos olivine (though not from the NMNH 111312-44
832 aliquot) indicate that all elements apart from Zr were determined with 1σ relative precisions
833 better than ~ 7 %: Zr and Yb, which were only present at ~ 30 ppb, were determined with
834 1σ relative precisions of ~ 17 % (Supplementary Material).

835 *Appendix A.3. Secondary ion mass spectrometry (SIMS)*

836 Olivine-hosted melt inclusions were analysed with a Cameca ims-5f in Okayama Univer-
837 sity, Japan. Measurements were made using a O^- ion beam with an accelerating potential
838 of 17.5 keV, a beam current of 10 nA and a secondary accelerating voltage of 4500 V minus
839 a 45 V offset. The following isotopes were measured for 10 cycles (counting times in seconds
840 in parentheses): $^7Li(10)$, $^{30}Si(5)$, $^{88}Sr(15)$, $^{89}Y(15)$, $^{90}Zr(15)$, $^{93}Nb(15)$, $^{137}Ba(20)$, $^{139}La(20)$,
841 $^{140}Ce(20)$, $^{141}Pr(20)$, $^{146}Nd(20)$, $^{147}Sm(20)$, $^{151}Eu(20)$, $^{160}Gd(20)$, $^{163}Dy(20)$, $^{167}Er(20)$, $^{174}Yb(20)$,
842 $^{175}Lu(20)$, $^{178}Hf(20)$. SiO_2 contents determined by EPMA were used as an internal stan-
843 dard (^{30}Si), and three to four in-house reference materials were used for forming calibration
844 curves for quantification: gh_tahiti, gl_dr1a1, cpx_sax39, and opx_klb1. Measurements of
845 various materials indicate that most elemental analyses were accurate to better than 10 %
846 relative. Repeat analyses of the GOR128-G glass standard indicate that all elements apart
847 from Hf and Dy were determined with 1σ relative precisions better than 10 %; Hf and Dy
848 were determined with 1σ relative precisions of 34 % and 11 % respectively (Supplementary
849 Material; Jochum et al., 2005).

850 **Appendix B. The effect of diffusion on element systematics**

851 Crystal-melt disequilibrium arising from mixing or differentiation results in diffusive re-
852 equilibration, whereby crystal compositions approach being in equilibrium with their carrier
853 melts at rates mediated by the diffusivities of the species that are out of equilibrium (e.g.,
854 Costa and Morgan, 2010). Given that diffusive re-equilibration is thought to play an im-
855 portant role in controlling the forsterite content distribution of olivine macrocrysts from
856 primitive Icelandic eruption (Thomson and Maclennan, 2013), it is important to consider
857 whether diffusion could have played a role in generating the element systematics observed in
858 olivine macrocrysts from the Reykjanes Peninsula. Forward modelling calculations were thus
859 performed to evaluate how the mean core composition of olivines from the Háleyjabunga
860 eruption would respond to undergoing diffusive re-equilibration with their carrier melt. Nor-
861 malised 1D profiles resulting from an arbitrary 48 years of diffusion over a distance of 1000

862 μm at 3 kbar, 1200 °C and half a log unit above the QFM buffer are shown in Figure B.9a.
863 Diffusivities (parallel to [001] where relevant) were derived from models of Dohmen et al.
864 (2007) for Fe-Mg and Mn, Coogan et al. (2005) for Ca, Petry et al. (2004) for Ni, and Cher-
865 niak and Liang (2014) for Ti. Incomplete re-equilibration, which is a necessary condition for
866 generating variability by diffusion, fractionates elements based on their relative diffusivities
867 (Fe–Mg \sim Mn > Ni > Ca > Ti; Fig. B.9a). In turn, this diffusive fractionation results in
868 complex, non-linear relationships between elements that differ in sense and strength from
869 those present in our natural data. For example, natural Mn and Ni data define a much
870 shallower trend than predicted from incomplete diffusion (Fig. B.9b). Moreover, because
871 diffusion cannot account for the Mn-Ni systematics we observe, it seems improbable that
872 variations in slowly diffusing elements such as Ti could have been generated by diffusion.

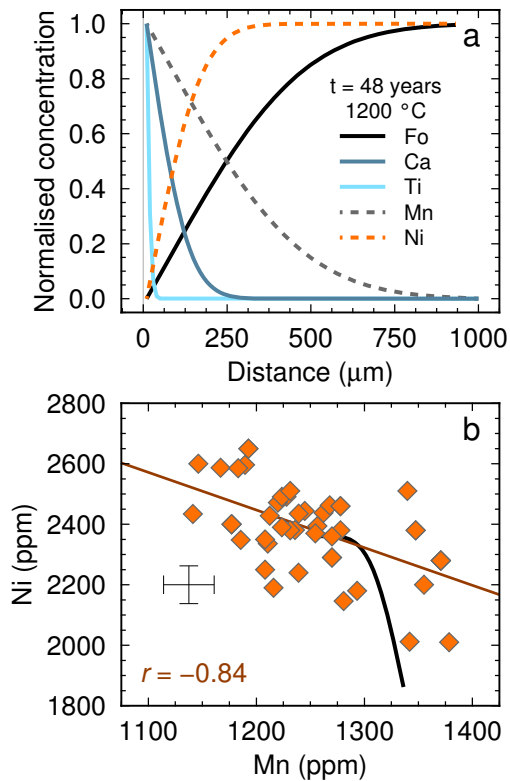


Figure B.9: (a) Normalised diffusion profiles resulting from equilibrating the mean composition of olivine cores from Háleyjabunga with their carrier liquid. (b) Mn–Ni systematics resulting from diffusive re-equilibration (shown as a black line) compared with with natural data from Háleyjabunga. A regression through the natural data is shown in dark orange. A correlation coefficient (r -value) is provided alongside 2σ analytical errors.

873 Appendix C. Estimating matrix glass trace element contents

874 Matrix glass analyses from the Háleyjabunga and Stapafell eruptions are sparse (Con-
 875 domines et al., 1983; Gurenko and Chaussidon, 1995; Peate et al., 2009). Moreover, analyses
 876 of FTREs, which are crucial to this study, are of uncertain quality or absent entirely. Fortu-
 877 nately, high quality whole-rock analyses from both eruptions are more numerous (Hémond
 878 et al., 1993; Hardarson et al., 1997; Gee et al., 1998; Skovgaard et al., 2001; Thirlwall et al.,
 879 2004, 2006; Fitton et al., 2003; Peate et al., 2009). We therefore estimated matrix glass trace
 880 element contents from whole-rock compositions using a regression approach. By assuming
 881 that variability in whole-rock compositions is controlled by the accumulation of composi-

tionally homogeneous macrocrysts (i.e. olivines), matrix glass trace element contents were estimated by regressing whole-rock trace elements against accumulation-sensitive MgO after filtering the dataset for poor quality analyses (i.e. analyses that deviated significantly from an olivine control line). Despite being subject to uncertainties in whole-rock compositions, this approach provides an internally consistent way of estimating matrix glass trace element contents. In cases where trace element data are available, estimated matrix glass concentrations are generally within 10 % of published values (e.g., Gurenko and Chaussidon, 1995), though concentrations diverge when either whole-rock data are sparse or reported errors in glass analyses are larger than 10 %. Uncertainties in regression coefficients were thus used to propagate errors from the regression procedure into the calculated matrix glass compositions used for modelling fractional crystallisation.

Appendix D. The effect of Cr-spinel crystallisation on olivine compositions

The effect of Cr-spinel formation on the composition of co-crystallising olivine macrocrysts was investigated by modifying the crystallisation model described in the main text. Namely, we estimated fractionation paths resulting from the co-crystallisation of olivine and Cr-spinel. However, predicting equilibrium Cr-spinel compositions from melt compositions is challenging because of the spinel group's complex solid solutions (e.g., Poustovetov and Roeder, 2001). We therefore used average Cr-spinel core compositions from Hálezjabunga and Stapafell for our modelling (Supplementary Material). Approximate partition coefficients for Cr were estimated by assuming that measured Cr-spinel crystals were in equilibrium with their respective matrix glass compositions. Further partition coefficients were sourced from Horn et al. (1994) and Righter et al. (2006). Olivine and Cr-spinel were assumed to crystallise in a 54:1 ratio based on the average $>Fo_{80}$ olivine-to-Cr-spinel ratio in QEMSCAN images (Supplementary Material). Despite V, Co and Ni being compatible in Cr-spinel (Righter et al., 2006), our calculations demonstrate that their abundances in olivine macrocrysts are largely unaffected by the co-crystallisation of Cr-spinel (Figs. D.10a, D.10c and D.10d). Cr is strongly affected, however, and the positive correlations between olivine forsterite and Cr contents observed in our data can be readily accounted for by the

910 co-crystallisation of minor Cr-spinel (Fig. D.10b). Incompatible trace element abundances
 911 were unaffected by Cr-spinel crystallisation assemblage (not shown), and our assumption of
 912 olivine-only fractional crystallisation is therefore an appropriate simplification for all trace
 913 elements apart from Cr (e.g., O'Neill and Jenner, 2016).

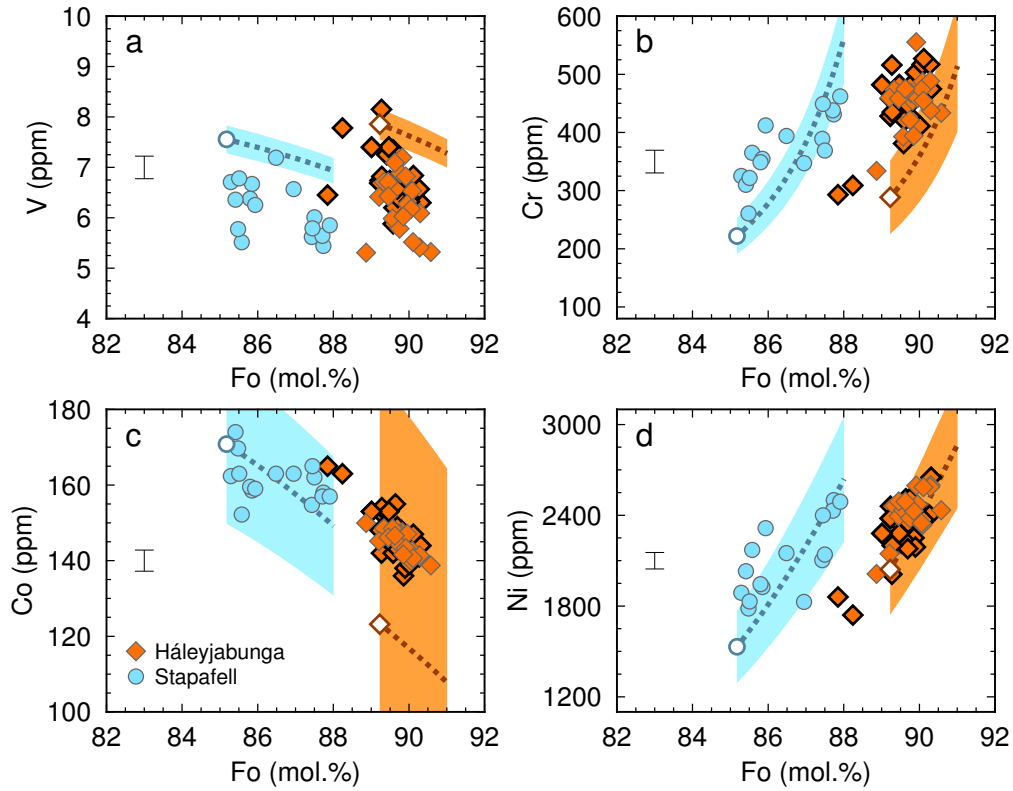


Figure D.10: Plots summarising the effect of including Cr-spinel in our fractional crystallisation model. Mean fractionation paths are plotted using dashed lines. Otherwise, symbols are the same as in Figure 3.