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**The diffusion behavior of hydrogen in plagioclase feldspar at 800-1000°C:
Implications for re-equilibration of hydroxyl in volcanic phenocrysts**

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ABSTRACT

To be able to use structural hydroxyl (OH) concentrations preserved in volcanic phenocrysts to constrain magmatic water content prior to eruption, it is first necessary to understand the diffusive behavior of hydrogen in plagioclase. In this study, diffusion coefficients for a natural OH-bearing plagioclase feldspar ($Ab_{66}An_{31}Or_3$) were determined from a series of integrated loss heating experiments performed at 800-1000°C and 1 atm under air, nitrogen gas, and a CO₂-H₂ mixture at the FMQ oxygen buffer. Hydrogen diffusion was found to be isotropic within analytical error. Using a one-dimensional diffusive loss model for an infinite slab, the diffusion behavior for hydrogen

24 in plagioclase is described by the diffusion parameters $\log D_0 = -1.62 \pm 0.31$ (m^2/s) and
25 $E_A = 266 \pm 77$ kJ/mol, and $\log D_0 = -0.97 \pm 0.35$ (m^2/s) and $E_A = 278 \pm 90$ kJ/mol for
26 experiments only conducted under nitrogen gas. Nearly complete (83-97%) loss of OH
27 from the andesine was achieved in 900°C and 1000°C heating series, except for the
28 900°C FMQ buffer experiment in which only 64% of the total OH was lost after 21.6
29 days of cumulative heating. The diffusion rates of hydrogen in the plagioclase after 800-
30 1000°C are similar to interpolated diffusion rates for sodium diffusion in An_{30} feldspar,
31 implying that Na^+ and H^+ both diffuse via Frenkel defects involving the large cation sites
32 and interstitial ions. The diffusion coefficient (D) values for hydrogen in plagioclase are
33 lower than most reported diffusion data for hydrogen in nominally anhydrous minerals,
34 and are most similar to D reported for pure forsterite, unaffected by iron redox reactions.
35 Based on the hydrogen diffusion parameters in this study, a 1 mm spherical plagioclase
36 phenocryst experiencing dehydration under lowered water activity during ascent and
37 eruption at 800°C retains 50% of its initial OH concentration after 34 days. At 900°C and
38 1000°C, a 1 mm phenocryst retains 50% of its initial OH concentration after only 1.3
39 days and 0.25 day, respectively. OH concentrations in plagioclase are therefore most
40 indicative of magmatic water contents during the latest stages of ascent and eruption.

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43 INTRODUCTION

44 Essentially all anhydrous minerals, including common rock-forming minerals
45 such as feldspars, pyroxenes, olivine, garnet, and quartz, contain minor to trace amounts
46 of hydrogen incorporated into their structures in the form of OH, H_2O , or NH_4^+ (Solomon

47 and Rossman 1988; Bell and Rossman 1992; Bell 1993; Rossman 1996; Beran and
48 Libowitzky 2006; Johnson 2006; Skogby 2006). Several studies have inferred water
49 activity or concentration in igneous and metamorphic environments using measurements
50 of structural OH (e.g., Bell and Rossman (1992); Ingrin and Skogby (2000); Johnson
51 (2006). However, other factors in addition to water activity, including crystallographic
52 constraints (Johnson and Rossman 2004), crystal chemistry (Vlassopoulos et al. 1993),
53 oxygen fugacity (Peslier et al. 2002), and diffusive uptake or loss (Ingrin and Blanchard
54 2006; Farver 2010) can affect hydroxyl concentrations. Redox-driven diffusive loss of
55 OH from olivine has been used to estimate magma ascent rate (Demouchy et al. 2006;
56 Peslier and Luhr 2006; Peslier et al. 2008). In order to correctly interpret the geologic
57 significance of structurally-bound hydrogen concentrations preserved in nominally
58 anhydrous minerals, the diffusion behavior of hydrogen must be characterized in
59 common minerals, including the feldspar group.

60 Two previous studies addressed hydrogen diffusion in structural H₂O-bearing
61 alkali feldspars from pegmatites. Ordered alkali feldspars contain two types of
62 structurally bound water molecules as defined by their infrared bands: Type I with
63 stretching modes at 3620 cm⁻¹ and 3550 cm⁻¹, and Type II with stretching modes at 3440
64 cm⁻¹ and 3280 cm⁻¹ (Aines and Rossman 1985; Hofmeister and Rossman 1985a; Johnson
65 and Rossman 2003; Johnson and Rossman 2004). High-temperature infrared
66 spectroscopy of microcline during step-heating experiments indicate that Type II H₂O is
67 lost by 400°C and Type I is not fully removed until 660°C (Aines and Rossman 1985). A
68 third type of unknown hydrous species formed irreversibly during the heating process. A
69 diffusion mechanism was not proposed in this survey study.

70 Kronenberg et al. (1996) determined the diffusivity of hydrogen in the range 500-
71 900°C in adularia ($\text{Or}_{90.2}\text{Ab}_{8.7}\text{An}_{0.0}\text{Cs}_{1.1}$) from Kristallina, Switzerland, containing about
72 180 ppm H_2O by weight. The diffusion coefficient D was determined at each
73 experimental temperature by measuring loss of mid-infrared band absorbance of the OH
74 stretch frequencies of H_2O . Hydrogen diffusion in H_2O -bearing adularia ($D = 2.2 \times 10^{-11}$
75 m^2/s at 900°C) is rapid compared to diffusion in many nominally anhydrous minerals
76 (Ingrin and Blanchard 2006), although it is similar to the diffusion rate in quartz
77 (Kronenberg et al. 1996). Feldspars were also annealed under hydrous conditions in
78 Kronenberg et al. (1996), but quantification of water gain and loss was difficult for these
79 experiments because of dissolution and precipitation on surfaces of slabs. Two possible
80 hydrogen diffusion mechanisms were proposed: 1) movement of interstitial protons or 2)
81 diffusion of mobile H_2O defects (Kronenberg et al. 1996). Mechanism 1) was deemed
82 more likely due to the similarity of diffusion behavior between adularia and β -quartz.

83 In this study we determine hydrogen diffusion parameters for OH-bearing
84 plagioclase feldspar at 800-1000°C in air, N_2 , and a CO_2 - H_2 mixture. A hydrogen
85 diffusion mechanism is proposed and the diffusivity data are used to model rates of
86 diffusive loss of hydrogen from plagioclase phenocrysts during volcanic eruptions.

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METHODS

89 Experimental

90 The plagioclase feldspar used in this study, sample GRR1389/CIT13759, is a
91 natural andesine crystal ($\text{Ab}_{66}\text{An}_{31}\text{Or}_3$) from a basaltic tuff near Halloran Springs, CA, at
92 the western edge of the Cima volcanic field (Wise 1982; Hofmeister and Rossman 1984).

93 The andesine contains minor amounts of both ferric and ferrous iron (0.11 wt% Fe₂O₃
94 and 0.03 wt% FeO; (Hofmeister and Rossman 1984; Hofmeister and Rossman 1985b).
95 The OH concentration of this feldspar was determined to be 510±90 ppm H₂O with ¹H
96 MAS NMR spectroscopy, and its mid-IR and near-IR spectra were presented and
97 described in Johnson and Rossman (2003). The total Fe concentration (0.05 mol Fe/L
98 andesine) is three times lower than the H concentration (0.15 mol H/L andesine). The
99 plagioclase is a very large (>2 cm), transparent, colorless crystal with a few macroscopic
100 fractures and a few melt inclusions that only occur immediately adjacent to the rim of the
101 crystal (Johnson and Rossman 2004). The OH concentration has an estimated variation
102 of ±50 ppm H₂O across the crystal. This was determined from a comparison of
103 integrated band areas per mm thickness for each of the 18 polished slabs produced from
104 slicing the original crystal along two crystallographic directions, as reported in Appendix
105 Table 1A.

106 The high quality and high OH concentration of the plagioclase makes it an ideal
107 candidate for hydrogen diffusion studies. Polished slabs free of inclusions, ≥ 3 mm wide
108 in the smallest dimension and ranging from 0.126 to 0.908 mm thick were prepared in
109 two different crystallographic orientations in order to evaluate the extent of anisotropic
110 hydrogen diffusion in the feldspar. Polished slabs were prepared either parallel to the
111 {010} cleavage (labeled as || (010)), or parallel to the {001} cleavage (labeled as ⊥
112 (010)). Slab orientation was confirmed using optical interference figures. Diffusion
113 properties were determined along the thin direction of each slab, so for a slab polished
114 parallel to {010}, diffusion was determined along [010]*, and for a slab with polished
115 sides parallel to {001}, diffusion was determined ⊥ ~[010]*.

116 Three sets of heating experiments were performed at Caltech: 1) under N₂ gas at
117 800°C, 900°C, and 1000°C; 2) in air at 900°C and 1000°C; and 3) under a CO₂-H₂ gas
118 mixture at the FMQ buffer and 900°C. At least one polished slab || (010) and one slab ⊥
119 (010) were included in each set of heating experiments. The experiments in air were
120 completed in a muffle furnace with a programmable temperature controller. The
121 experiments in N₂ and CO₂-H₂ were run in a horizontal silica glass tube furnace
122 monitored by an externally controlled thermocouple. The variation in temperature was
123 less than 3°C across the area ~5 cm in length in the center of the furnace where the
124 samples were placed during heating. The CO₂-H₂ gas mixture was held at 98.11 vol%
125 CO₂, corresponding to the FMQ buffer at 900°C (log(fO₂) = -12.66; Deines et al. 1974;
126 Frost 1991). The duration of a particular heating run was timed from insertion of the
127 ceramic boat containing the samples into the center of the tube until removal of the boat
128 from the furnace.

129 Infrared spectra were obtained at the Mineral Spectroscopy Lab at Caltech using
130 the Thermo-Nicolet Magna 860 FTIR spectrometer with 4 cm⁻¹ resolution, a CaF₂
131 beamsplitter, MCT-A detector, and a LiIO₃ Glan-Foucault prism polarizer. Spectra were
132 averaged over 256 scans. For integrated loss measurements, polarized spectra were
133 obtained in the main compartment of the spectrometer using a 1000 μm circular aperture
134 in the center of the polished slab before heating and after each heating step. The baseline
135 underneath the OH bands does not curve and is nearly flat (Figure 1). A linear baseline
136 was fit from 3650-2650 cm⁻¹ using the Thermo-Nicolet OMNIC software and removed
137 from each spectrum before integration.

138 This study is concerned with changes in the OH concentration during heating
139 rather than absolute OH concentration, so the total OH concentration at each time step
140 (including the initial OH concentration before heating) is represented simply by the sum
141 of the areas of the mid-IR OH absorption bands (2700-3600 cm^{-1}) in the two polarized
142 spectra obtained on each slab. For the original unheated slabs, this is equivalent to the
143 original OH concentration in the mineral, 510 ppm H_2O . For polished slabs $\{010\}$,
144 these are the X and Y' principal optical directions in andesine. For the $\{001\}$ slabs,
145 spectra were obtained with $\mathbf{E}\parallel X$ and $\mathbf{E}\parallel Z'$. The total relative error on each spectral
146 measurement is estimated at $\pm 5\%$ (Johnson and Rossman 2003).

147 **Diffusion modeling**

148 Diffusion coefficients were calculated from integrated loss experiments using a
149 one-dimensional model of diffusion in an infinite plane sheet with an initial uniform
150 distribution of hydrogen, with surfaces that are kept at constant and equal concentrations.
151 The appropriate diffusion equation for this situation is Eqn 4.18, p.48, of Crank 1975):

$$152 \quad \frac{M_t}{M_\infty} = 1 - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{8}{(2n+1)^2 \pi^2} \exp\{-D(2n+1)^2 \pi^2 t / 4L^2\} \quad (1)$$

153 In which M_t is the amount of diffusing substance that has left the sheet after time t ,
154 M_∞ is the amount of diffusing substance that has left the sheet after infinite time, $2L$ is
155 the thickness of the sheet, and D is the diffusion coefficient.

156 In the diffusion experiments, the infinite plane sheet is approximated with a
157 polished slab of plagioclase with a thickness much less than its width. Thus, $2L$ in
158 Equation 1 corresponds to the thickness of the polished slab and t is the cumulative
159 duration of heating at a particular temperature. The quantity M_t is determined from the

160 amount of OH band area lost after time t ($M_t = 100 - \%$ of the original band area at time
161 t) because the infrared spectra measure the integrated OH concentration through the
162 thickness of the slab. M_∞ , the amount of diffusing substance that has left the sheet after
163 infinite time, is determined by measuring the remaining OH concentration at very long
164 heating times for each temperature and gas condition. The diffusion coefficient D is
165 determined by a least-squares fit of Equation 1 to a series of measurements of t and M_t .

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RESULTS

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Representative polarized infrared spectra of the andesine OH bands obtained during the heating sequence at 1000°C under N₂ gas are shown in Figure 1. Band position and shape are the same as reported in Johnson and Rossman (2003). The band height and area decrease as the OH is lost from the crystal with progressive heating, but the band shape and position do not change, indicating that the bonding environment of the OH within the plagioclase structure does not change during the heating experiments.

Data from each heating series are plotted in Figures 2-4 and compiled in Appendix Table A1. Images of polished slabs used in this study are compiled in Appendix Figure 1A and include slabs that experienced gas failure during the last heating step. Two slabs (0.290 and 0.390 mm) from the FMQ buffer experiments at 900°C show surface pitting which occurred during the last heating step when the gas mixture was expended. The third polished slab under FMQ buffer conditions did not experience a failed run, and does not show surface pitting. Some of the polished slabs had scratches near the edges where the polishing was not perfect. These scratches seem to be affected

182 by heating, producing cloudiness presumably due to surface corrosion. We avoided these
183 areas, as well as fractures, when making the FTIR measurements.

184 Diffusion parameters determined from least-squares fits to each dataset are
185 summarized in Table 1. Figures 2A, 2B, and 2C are data and best fit curves from the
186 experiments conducted under N₂ gas at 800°C, 900°C, and 1000°C, respectively.
187 Samples heated at 900°C and 1000°C under N₂ at long times experienced almost total
188 loss of OH from the plagioclase ($M_{\infty} = 0.9$ at 900°C and $M_{\infty} = 0.97$ at 1000°C). For
189 experiments at 800°C, it was necessary to assume a value of M_{∞} due to the long heating
190 times needed to produce significant OH loss (25 days for the longest completed
191 experiment). M_{∞} was chosen as 1 in order to minimize the least squares error of the fit to
192 the data. If M_{∞} is instead assigned a value of 0.9 as at 900°C, the value of D at 800°C
193 increases from $2.6 \times 10^{-15} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$ to $4.4 \times 10^{-15} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$

194 Figures 3A and 3B are data and fit curves for integrated loss experiments under
195 air at 900°C and 1000°C. Samples heated in air at 900°C and 1000°C experienced near
196 total loss of OH at long heating times (M_{∞} is 0.86 to 1 at 900°C and $M_{\infty} = 0.83$ at
197 1000°C). Data obtained at 900°C at the FMQ buffer are in Figure 4. Under the CO₂-H₂
198 gas mixture held at FMQ buffer conditions, only 64% of the original OH was lost ($M_{\infty} =$
199 0.64).

200 Under all experimental conditions, hydrogen diffusion is isotropic. There is no
201 observed difference in the rate of diffusive loss for polished slabs cut perpendicular to
202 (010) compared to those cut parallel to (010) (Figures 2-4). The diffusion coefficients D
203 calculated from the integrated loss experiments under N₂ and air (Table 1 and Figure 4)

204 are the same within error for the 1000°C experiments. The calculated D values for
205 experiments under air and FMQ conditions are lower than D calculated for experiments
206 under N_2 at 900°C.

207 The temperature dependence of the diffusion data is described by the Arrhenius
208 equation:

$$209 \quad D = D_0 e^{\frac{-E_A}{RT}} \quad (2)$$

210 where D_0 is the pre-exponential factor in m^2/s , E_A is the activation energy in
211 kJ/mol, R is the gas constant (0.008314 kJ/mol/K), and T is temperature in Kelvin. The
212 logarithmic form of Equation 2 used in a linear least-squares fit of all D values
213 determined for the An_{30} crystal in this study produced:

$$214 \quad \log D_0 = -1.62 \pm 0.31 \text{ (m}^2/\text{s)} \text{ and } E_A = 266 \pm 77 \text{ kJ/mol.}$$

215 In the case of experiments conducted under N_2 gas only, the least-squares fit of Equation
216 2 produced:

$$217 \quad \log D_0 = -0.97 \pm 0.35 \text{ (m}^2/\text{s)} \text{ and } E_A = 278 \pm 90 \text{ kJ/mol.}$$

218 The D values from this study and the fit line through all of the An_{30} data are
219 plotted in Figure 5 and in 6A along with representative diffusion data for hydrogen in
220 other nominally anhydrous minerals, including H_2O -bearing alkali feldspar (adularia;
221 Kronenberg et al. 1996). Diffusion coefficients in plagioclase feldspar as reported in this
222 study are two orders of magnitude lower than those at the same temperature for adularia
223 feldspar. The D values for plagioclase are also lower than those reported for most other
224 nominally anhydrous minerals, and are most similar to charge-coupled diffusion
225 determined from hydrogenation experiments with pure forsterite olivine (activation

226 energy of 211 ± 18 kJ/mol and anisotropic diffusion with $\log D_0 = -3.3$ to -4.4 (m^2/s);
227 Demouchy and Mackwell 2003).

228 A plot of diffusion data for other cations and oxygen in feldspars (Figure 6B)
229 shows that the hydrogen diffusion behavior in andesine is most similar to sodium
230 diffusion in feldspars. There are no reported sodium diffusion data for An_{30} plagioclase,
231 but sodium isotopic tracer diffusion in An_{60} plagioclase normal to (001) has $E_A = 268 \pm 11$
232 kJ/mol and $\log D_0 = -3.10 \pm 0.46$ (m^2/s) (Behrens et al. 1990).

233 Loss of OH from plagioclase phenocrysts during magma ascent and eruption is
234 modeled using the hydrogen diffusion data from the experiments under N_2 gas. The
235 model assumes that depressurization during ascent results in devolatilization of magma
236 and subsequent dehydration of the phenocrysts. The phenocrysts are approximated as
237 isotropic spheres, and the diameter of the sphere represents the shortest diameter of a
238 non-equant plagioclase phenocryst. The total amount of OH lost from the spherical
239 plagioclase phenocrysts at each time is calculated using Equation 6.20, p.91, from Crank
240 (1975). This equation requires a value for M_∞ , the total OH lost after long times. For
241 these calculations M_∞ is assumed to be 1 (100% loss) since this was true for the
242 experiments conducted under N_2 gas. The total fractional loss of OH under the FMQ
243 buffer was much less ($M_\infty = 0.64$), so modeled % loss values should be considered
244 minimum values under more reducing conditions. Model results are plotted for 800°C ,
245 900°C , and 1000°C under N_2 gas in Figure 7 for a phenocryst diameter of 1mm. At
246 800°C , a 1 mm plagioclase retains greater than 50% of its structural OH for more than a
247 month (34 days). In contrast, a 1 mm plagioclase held at 900°C loses 50% of structural

248 OH over about 1.3 days, and only about 6 hours is needed for a 1mm plagioclase held at
249 1000°C to lose half of its OH content.

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251 **DISCUSSION**

252 **Hydrogen sites and hydrogen diffusion**

253 Infrared spectroscopic data show that hydrogen is incorporated into the
254 plagioclase structure as OH groups (Hofmeister and Rossman 1985b; Hofmeister and
255 Rossman 1986, Johnson and Rossman 2003). The polarized infrared spectra of the OH
256 bands have a maximum absorption parallel to the a crystallographic axis, which is the
257 orientation produced by hydrogen bonding with O_{A2} oxygen around the large cation (A)
258 sites in the feldspar structure (Behrens and Müller 1995). The OH bands in plagioclase
259 are broad (Figure 1), even at low temperatures (Johnson and Rossman 2003), suggesting
260 that H^+ also bonds to other oxygen sites surrounding the A sites with a range of hydrogen
261 bonding distances and strengths. It is not known if interstitial OH exists in feldspars.

262 The activation energy of 266 ± 77 kJ/mol for An_{30} plagioclase (Figure 6A) is larger
263 than the activation energy for hydrogen diffusion in adularia (172 ± 15 kJ/mol).
264 Kronenberg et al. (1996) proposed that the hydrogen diffusion in adularia occurs via
265 migration of interstitial protons, similar to the proposed mechanism for hydrogen
266 diffusion in β -quartz which has an activation energy of 176 kJ/mol (Kats et al. 1962).
267 Hydrogen diffusion in plagioclase therefore does not proceed simply by interstitial
268 hopping of H^+ ions.

269 Hydrogen diffusion coefficients in plagioclase are lower than hydrogen diffusion
270 coefficients in most other nominally anhydrous minerals, but are most similar to diffusion

271 of hydrogen controlled by metal vacancy defects in pure forsteritic olivine (Figure 6A;
272 Demouchy and Maxwell 2003). Diffusion experiments for Fe-bearing olivine (Mackwell
273 and Kohlstedt 1990; Demouchy and Maxwell 2003) as well as data for other Fe-bearing
274 nominally anhydrous minerals (Figure 6a; summarized in Ingrin and Blanchard 2006)
275 indicate that H diffusion occurs through fast redox exchange involving interstitial H and
276 electron holes (polarons) on Fe atoms.

277 **Diffusion of cations in feldspars**

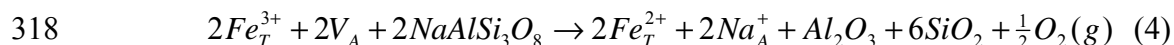
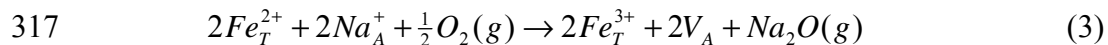
278 The characteristics of sodium diffusion and diffusion of other relevant ions in
279 feldspar are summarized here and in Figure 6b in order to compare hydrogen diffusion to
280 diffusion behaviors of these ions.

281 Cation diffusion data for major and trace elements as well as Na-K and CaAl-
282 NaSi interdiffusion are compiled in Cherniak (2010). Oxygen diffusion is strongly
283 influenced by water fugacity (e.g. Farver and Yund 1990), and H₂O molecules are
284 thought to be the oxygen-transporting species in the feldspar structure. The rate of Al/Si
285 disordering in albite and microcline is increased in the presence of hydrogen gas
286 (Goldsmith 1986, 1987, 1988). In contrast, the rate of sodium diffusion in plagioclase is
287 not affected by water pressure or Al/Si ordering within the structure (Behrens et al.
288 1990). Potassium diffusion is similar under dry and hydrothermal conditions for albite,
289 oligoclase, and labradorite (Giletti and Shanahan 1997). Calcium diffusion is not affected
290 by changes in oxygen fugacity in An₆₀₋₆₆ plagioclase (Behrens et al. 1990).

291 Sodium self-diffusion data (diffusion measured using isotopic tracers in the
292 absence of a strong chemical gradient) was determined for An₆₀₋₆₆ plagioclase, low albite,
293 and alkali feldspars (Behrens et al. 1990; Figure 6b). Sodium diffusion in feldspars is

294 composition-dependent and is fastest in albite and slowest in Ca-rich plagioclase
295 (Petrovic 1972, 1974; Behrens et al. 1990; Cherniak 2010). Microstructural boundaries
296 in intermediate plagioclase do not have a significant effect on diffusion properties of
297 sodium. Pre-annealing to remove *b* antiphase boundaries in labradorite reduced diffusion
298 by a factor of 2.5 for samples heated in air, and had no effect on sodium diffusion rate
299 under a 50:50 CO/CO₂ gas mixture (Behrens et al. 1990). A comparison of
300 experimentally determined activation energies to calculated bond strengths points to
301 diffusion by sodium interstitial and large cation site vacancy pairs, or Frenkel defects
302 (Petrovic 1974; Behrens et al. 1990; Giletti 1993). This is in contrast to lithium diffusion
303 (Giletti and Shanahan 1997) which is interpreted to diffuse only through interstitial sites
304 based on its fast diffusion and low activation energy ($E_A = 146 \pm 14$ kJ/mol). Both
305 calcium and potassium diffusion occur more slowly than sodium diffusion, and calcium
306 and potassium diffusion are postulated to occur through cation-vacancy exchange only on
307 large cation sites (Petrovic 1974; Yund 1983).

308 An interesting relationship between iron oxidation and sodium diffusion was
309 found in experiments by Behrens et al. (1990). Both iron diffusion and sodium diffusion
310 are dependent upon oxygen fugacity. Optical spectroscopy of the andesine used as a
311 starting material for this study indicates that the majority (79%) of iron in this sample is
312 Fe³⁺ in tetrahedral sites (Fe³⁺_T) with the remaining 21% incorporated as Fe²⁺ in large
313 cation sites (Hofmeister and Rossman 1984). Reduction or oxidation of iron in the
314 tetrahedral site will affect the formation of vacancies (*V*) in neighboring large cation sites
315 (*A*) to obtain local charge balance, as summarized in two equations modified from
316 Behrens et al. (1990):



319 From the perspective of sodium diffusion, oxidation of iron in the feldspar
320 structure will result in an increase in large cation site vacancies and loss of sodium from
321 the structure by volatilization (Equation 3). Reduction of iron (Equation 4) will result in
322 breakdown of the crystal structure (Behrens et al. 1990) and loss of large cation site
323 vacancies necessary for sodium diffusion.

324 Despite the anisotropic structures of the feldspar group minerals, sodium diffusion
325 in intermediate- to high-plagioclase (Behrens et al. 1990); An₅₉₋₆₆) and low albite (Bailey
326 1971) is isotropic within measurement error. Prior studies report Na diffusion rates that
327 are slightly faster (up to 1-2 orders of magnitude) normal to (001) or (110) than rates
328 normal to (010) (Bailey 1971; Petrovic 1972, 1974; Yund 1983), although it is thought
329 that these results were affected by fractured samples (Petrovic 1974).

330 **Hydrogen diffusion mechanism in plagioclase**

331 Based upon the results from this study, we propose that hydrogen diffusion in
332 plagioclase occurs as H⁺-Na⁺ interdiffusion on large cation site vacancies, via Frenkel
333 defect mechanisms. This conclusion is based on similar values for activation energies
334 and measured diffusion rates of hydrogen and sodium in plagioclase, the proposed
335 mechanism for sodium diffusion in feldspar, and the isotropic diffusion behavior of both
336 hydrogen and sodium in the feldspar structure.

337 The activation energy calculated for hydrogen diffusion in An₃₀ is 266±77 kJ/mol.
338 This value is similar to Na diffusion activation energies determined under a range of
339 conditions for An₆₀ and An₆₆ (E_A = 255-284 kJ/mol; Behrens et al. 1990). The diffusion

340 rates for hydrogen in An₃₀ plagioclase are consistent with expected values of sodium
341 diffusion for An₃₀ plagioclase. Experimentally determined hydrogen diffusion rates in
342 An₃₀ are faster than sodium diffusion rates in An₆₀, but are slower than sodium diffusion
343 in albite (Figure 6b). Lithium diffusion is not shown in Figure 6b, but is approximately 3
344 orders of magnitude faster than hydrogen diffusion in An₃₀ at 800°C and is not
345 composition-dependent (Giletti and Shanahan 1997). The isotropic behavior of hydrogen
346 diffusion in plagioclase is also consistent with the isotropic behavior of sodium diffusion
347 in feldspars.

348 Since iron redox has an effect on sodium diffusion in labradorite (Behrens et al.
349 1990), we propose that sodium diffusion and hydrogen diffusion are coupled in
350 plagioclase, it is important to consider the contribution of iron redox to hydrogen
351 diffusion. The An₃₀ plagioclase used in this study has a higher sodium content than
352 labradorite, and a lower iron concentration (0.11 wt% Fe₂O₃ and 0.03 wt% FeO;
353 (Hofmeister and Rossman 1985b) compared to the iron content (0.39-0.51 wt% Fe₂O₃) of
354 the labradorite crystals used in the Behrens et al. (1990) experiments at 1200°C. The
355 effect of iron redox on sodium diffusion in the Cima andesine is expected to be less than
356 the relatively small effect (<5x difference) for labradorite.

357 The Cima andesine contains 0.15 mol H/L and only 0.05 mol Fe/L, so redox-
358 driven processes are not expected to dominate the diffusion mechanism of hydrogen in
359 these experiments. No iron diffusion data exists at 800-1000°C, making it difficult to
360 evaluate the contribution of iron redox to hydrogen diffusion. It is important to note that
361 no difference was observed within error for the hydrogen diffusion coefficients *D*
362 determined under N₂, air, or the FMQ buffer at a specific temperature. In contrast, under

363 more reducing conditions (FMQ buffer at 900°C), the total OH loss at long heating times
364 was only 64%, whereas total loss at 900°C was 90-100% under N₂ and air. The majority
365 of the iron in the Cima andesine is Fe³⁺, and heating in unbuffered or oxidized conditions
366 will result in oxidation of the small amount of Fe²⁺ in the structure and an increase the
367 large cation site vacancies in the crystal structure via the reaction in Equation 3. Sodium
368 charge-coupled diffusion with hydrogen would then promote loss of OH from the
369 structure. In a more reducing environment (FMQ), sodium would be retained via
370 Equation 4 even during long heating times, because vacancy formation would be
371 inhibited in large cation sites. This would inhibit OH loss from the plagioclase.

372 **Hydrogen loss at long heating times**

373 Experimental data at 1000°C under N₂ and 900°C and 1000°C experiments under
374 air deviate slightly from the expected diffusive loss curves (Figures 2C, 3A, and 3B) at
375 long heating times. This is determined by the shape of the diffusive loss curve and the
376 deviation is present regardless of any reasonable value of M_{∞} . Under unbuffered
377 conditions, iron redox and volatilization of sodium (Equations 3 and 4) could result in
378 multicomponent diffusive behavior for hydrogen. The possible effects of diffusive loss
379 of hydrogen from slab edges was also evaluated using a 1-D diffusive transect profile
380 model (Crank 1975, Eqn 4.17, p.47). An edge-to-edge distance of 3 mm was used in the
381 model because it was the minimum width for the polished slabs used in this study
382 (Appendix Figure 1A). Using the D value at 1000°C in air for the longest heating time
383 for that sample (1130 hr), diffusive loss of hydrogen penetrates 0.5 mm into the edge of
384 the slab. For the longest heating time (1690 hours) at 900°C in air, diffusive loss
385 penetrates only 0.2 mm into the edge of the slab. Since the infrared spectroscopic

386 measurements were obtained in the center of each slab with a 1 mm aperture, it is
387 unlikely that diffusive loss of hydrogen from slab edges affected the measurements of
388 OH loss.

389 The total loss of OH from the feldspar structure at long heating times is closest to
390 100% ($M_{\infty} = 0.9$ and 0.97) for experiments conducted under N₂ gas, whereas total loss at
391 long times is lower for experiments conducted in air ($M_{\infty} = 0.83$ and 0.86) and the lowest
392 for experiments conducted using the CO₂-H₂ gas mixture ($M_{\infty} = 0.64$). It is possible that
393 the partial pressure of hydrogen in the gas phase during the experiments controls the total
394 loss of hydrogen from the crystal, since this is expected to be very low in a N₂
395 environment and highest in the CO₂-H₂ gas mixture. Further experimental work to
396 measure hydrogen diffusion in feldspars under controlled redox conditions in the absence
397 of H₂ gas are needed to completely resolve these issues.

398 **Retention and resetting of OH in volcanic phenocrysts**

399 The OH concentrations in plagioclase phenocrysts have the potential to represent
400 magmatic water content if the partitioning behavior of water between plagioclase and
401 melt is known (Johnson 2005; Seaman et al. 2006; Yang 2012). The models presented in
402 this study assume dehydration of a phenocryst during ascent and eruption and constrain
403 the characteristic timescales of diffusive re-equilibration of OH at magmatic temperatures
404 for a 1 mm phenocryst. Explosive eruptions involving rapid magma ascent (>66 m/h)
405 from a magma chamber such as the May, 1980, Mount St. Helens eruption (e.g.
406 Rutherford and Hill 1993) are the most likely to retain plagioclase OH concentrations
407 equilibrated at depth. The rate of hydrogen diffusion at magmatic temperatures is fast
408 enough that the previous magmatic history prior to a few days before eruption, including

409 phenocryst inheritance and magma mixing within a magma chamber (Ruprecht and
410 Cooper 2012), will be erased from the plagioclase OH record due to re-equilibration.
411 Other eruptions involve slow ascent from the magma chamber to the surface. Stalling
412 during ascent can result in either degassing from or fluid fluxing of the magma in an
413 intermediate storage area (Berlo et al. 2004; Kent et al. 2007). Plagioclase crystal growth
414 also occurs during decompression (Cashman 1992). Depending on the timescales of
415 these processes, plagioclase OH can be totally or partially reset during ascent to the
416 surface. In either case of rapid or slow ascent, the OH concentrations in plagioclase are
417 expected to reflect fluid conditions in the last location where the magma spent more than
418 a few hours before eruption.

419 Recent studies (Costa et al. 2003; Berlo et al. 2004; Costa et al. 2008; Kent et al.
420 2007; Ruprecht and Cooper 2012) have used Li and Mg diffusion in plagioclase to help
421 understand the dynamics and timescales of magma ascent. Since the hydrogen diffusion
422 rate in plagioclase at magmatic temperatures is intermediate between Mg diffusion
423 (LaTourette and Wasserburg 1998) and very rapid Li diffusion (Giletti and Shanahan
424 1997), OH measurements in transects across plagioclase phenocrysts should aid our
425 understanding of eruption dynamics. As for Mg diffusion, the implied dependence of H
426 diffusion (which is similar to Na diffusion) on major element composition should be
427 taken into account for the best determination of re-equilibration times (Costa et al. 2003).
428 At least one study has found OH concentration gradients in natural volcanic plagioclase
429 and has used OH in plagioclase to infer a polybaric degassing history of Izu-Oshima
430 volcano (Hamada et al. 2011). Constraints from this study on the hydrogen diffusion
431 behavior in plagioclase, combined with measurements of OH in plagioclase and water in

432 melt inclusions, hold the potential to be used as a speedometer for magma transport and
433 eruption.

434 **Concluding remarks**

435 Based on the results from our integrated loss experiments, diffusion of hydrogen
436 in plagioclase (An₃₀) is slower than in H₂O-bearing alkali feldspar (Kronenberg et al.
437 1996). The activation energy of hydrogen diffusion in plagioclase is higher than the
438 activation energy of hydrogen in adularia, implying that hydrogen diffusion in
439 plagioclase does not occur through simple migration of interstitial protons as in adularia
440 or β -quartz.

441 Hydrogen diffusion in plagioclase occurs via a mechanism similar to sodium
442 diffusion: coupled interstitial and large cation site vacancy pairs, or Frenkel defects.
443 Hydrogen diffusion in andesine matches the interpolated sodium self-diffusion rate for
444 An₃₀ feldspar. Sodium diffusion and hydrogen diffusion in plagioclase have similar
445 activation energies, and the activation energies are not large enough to involve
446 rearrangement of the aluminosilicate structure. Hydrogen diffusion and sodium diffusion
447 are both isotropic in plagioclase. Although iron reduction in the tetrahedral site
448 influences sodium self-diffusion in labradorite (Behrens et al. 1990), it is predicted to
449 have less of an effect on sodium diffusion in the lower-Fe Cima andesine. Reduction of
450 Fe³⁺ to Fe²⁺ may decrease the total sodium and hydrogen loss (M_{∞}) from plagioclase at
451 long heating times by inhibiting formation of large cation site vacancies, as indicated by
452 the incomplete (64%) loss of OH from the Cima andesine under FMQ conditions.

453 Models of diffusive loss of hydrogen from spherical plagioclase phenocrysts
454 during magma ascent and devolatilization indicate that OH concentrations in plagioclase

455 phenocrysts are likely to at least partially re-equilibrate during magma ascent. The OH
456 concentrations in plagioclase phenocrysts record water activity from the last storage
457 location in a volcanic system.

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636 **Figure 1.** Mid-IR OH absorption bands in the X polarization direction on the polished
637 slab parallel to (010) before and during progressive heating at 1000°C in N_2 . Band shape
638 and position is preserved during heating.

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640 **Figure 2.** Diffusion data for experiments in N_2 gas at a) 800°C, b) 900°C, and c) 1000°C.

641 $2L$ = thickness of polished slab, M_t = the fraction of OH lost at time t , and M_∞ = the
642 fraction of total OH loss at very long heating times. The diffusion coefficient D was
643 determined using Equation 1 (Crank 1975; solid curves).

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645 **Figure 3.** Diffusion data for experiments in air at a) 900°C and b) 1000°C. $2L$ =
646 thickness of polished slab, M_t = the fraction of OH lost at time t , and M_∞ = the fraction of
647 total OH loss at very long heating times. The diffusion coefficient D was determined
648 using Equation 1 (Crank 1975; solid curves). The dashed curve in Figure 3b is the best fit
649 to all data at these conditions; the solid curve is the best fit to data with $M_t/M_\infty < 0.5$.

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651 **Figure 4.** Diffusion data for experiments at 900°C in a CO_2 - H_2 gas mixture held at the
652 FMQ buffer. $2L$ = thickness of polished slab, M_t = the fraction of OH lost at time t , and
653 M_∞ = the fraction of total OH loss at very long heating times. The diffusion coefficient D
654 was determined using Equation 1 (Crank 1975; solid curves).

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656 **Figure 5.** Arrhenius plot of hydrogen diffusion data for andesine (An_{30}) from this study.
657 Best fit lines are for the nitrogen data only (dashed line) and for all of the data (solid line).

658 **Figure 6.** a) Diffusion data for hydrogen in nominally anhydrous silicate minerals, including
659 hydrogen diffusion data for andesine (An_{30}) from this study. References to other data
660 include those compiled in Ingrin and Blanchard (2006) and are: K 1962 = Kats et al.
661 (1962); M 1990 = Mackwell and Kohlstedt (1990); Z 1991 = Zhang et al. (1991); K 1996
662 = Kronenberg et al. (1996); H 1999 = Hercule and Ingrin (1999); W 2000 = Woods et al.
663 (2000); D 2003 = Demouchy and Mackwell (2003); and B 2004 = Blanchard and Ingrin
664 (2004). b) A comparison of H diffusion to Na, K, Fe, Ca, and O diffusion in feldspars. The
665 hydrogen diffusion data for andesine (An_{30}) is from this study. References to other data
666 include those compiled in Cherniak (2010) and are: B 1971 = Bailey (1971); P 1972 =
667 Petrovic (1972); F 1974 = Foland (1974); M 1974 = Muehlenbachs and Kushiro (1974);
668 K 1975 = Kasper (1975); G 1978 = Giletti et al. (1978); B 1990 = Behrens et al. (1990);
669 G 1997 = Giletti and Shanahan (1997); and L 1998 = LaTourette and Wasserburg (1998).
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671 **Figure 7.** Percentage of initial OH concentration remaining in a spherical feldspar grain
672 with diameter 1 mm as a function of time at 800°C, 900°C, and 1000°C using Equation
673 6.20, p.91 of Crank (1975) for diffusion in a solid sphere. D values in the models are
674 from the experiments under nitrogen gas in this study, and under the assumption that all
675 OH can be lost from the feldspar ($M_{\infty} = 1$).

Table 1. Diffusion parameters determined from integrated loss data.

Experimental conditions	Temperature (°C)	D (m ² /s)	M _∞ (Total fractional loss of H)
nitrogen gas	800	2.6 ± 0.8 × 10 ⁻¹⁵	~1
air	900	2.6 ± 0.9 × 10 ⁻¹⁴	0.86
air	900	1.7 ± 0.5 × 10 ⁻¹⁴	1
FMQ buffer	900	2.3 ± 0.6 × 10 ⁻¹⁴	0.64
nitrogen gas	900	7.2 ± 1.8 × 10 ⁻¹⁴	0.9
air (fit to all data)	1000	1.6 ± 0.6 × 10 ⁻¹³	0.83
air (fit to M _t /M _∞ < 0.5)	1000	2.3 ± 0.8 × 10 ⁻¹³	0.83
nitrogen gas	1000	3.5 ± 1.2 × 10 ⁻¹³	0.97

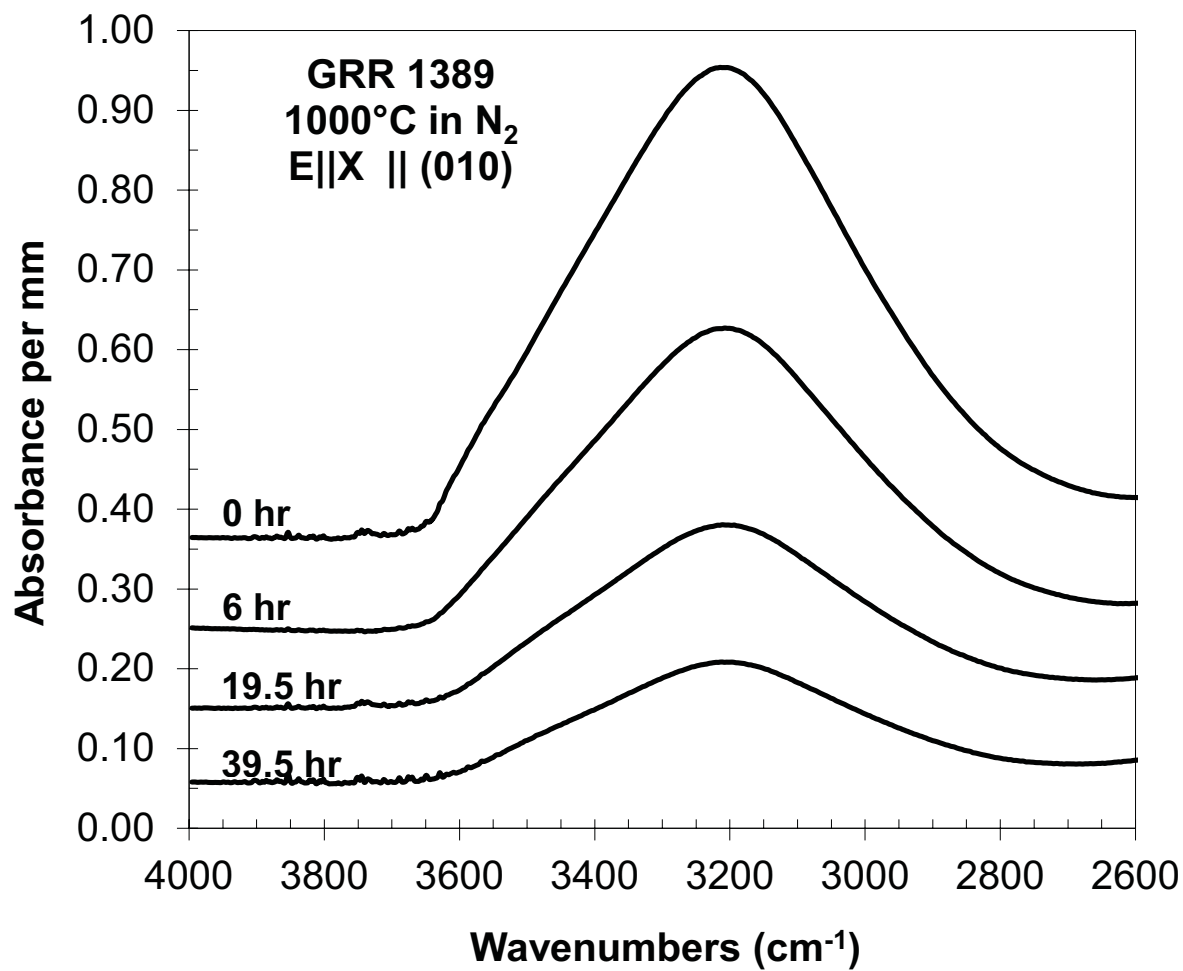


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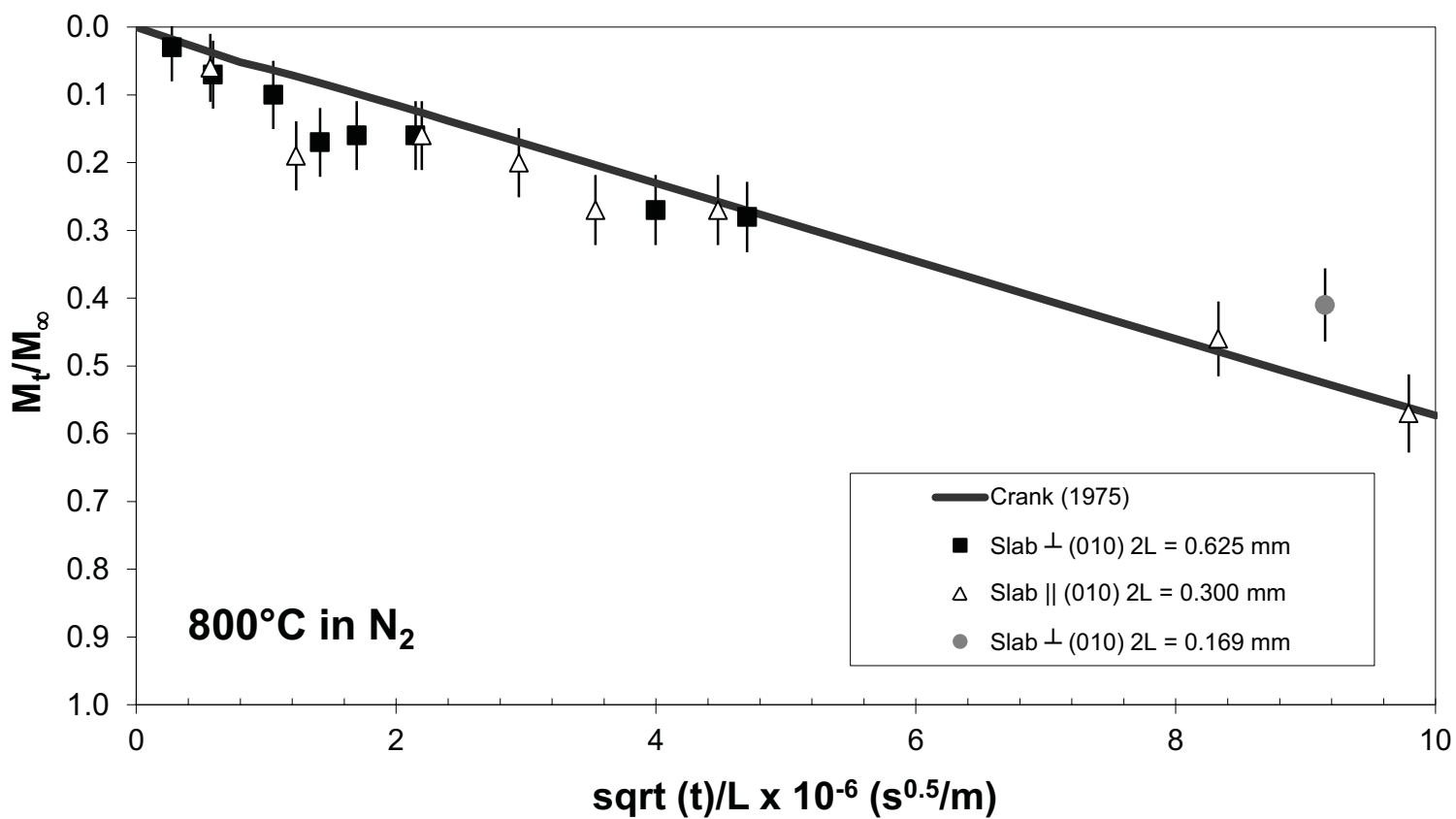


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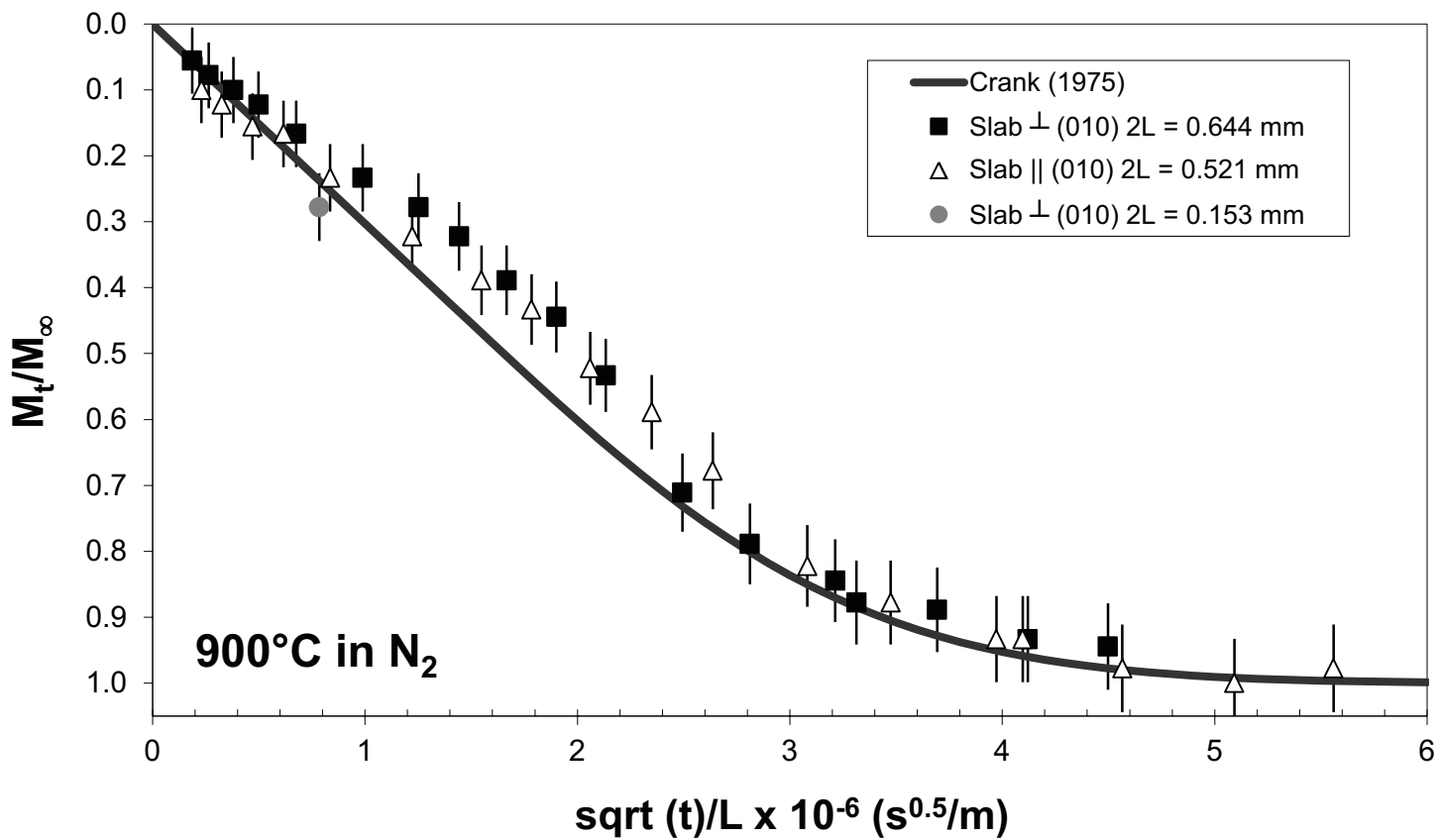


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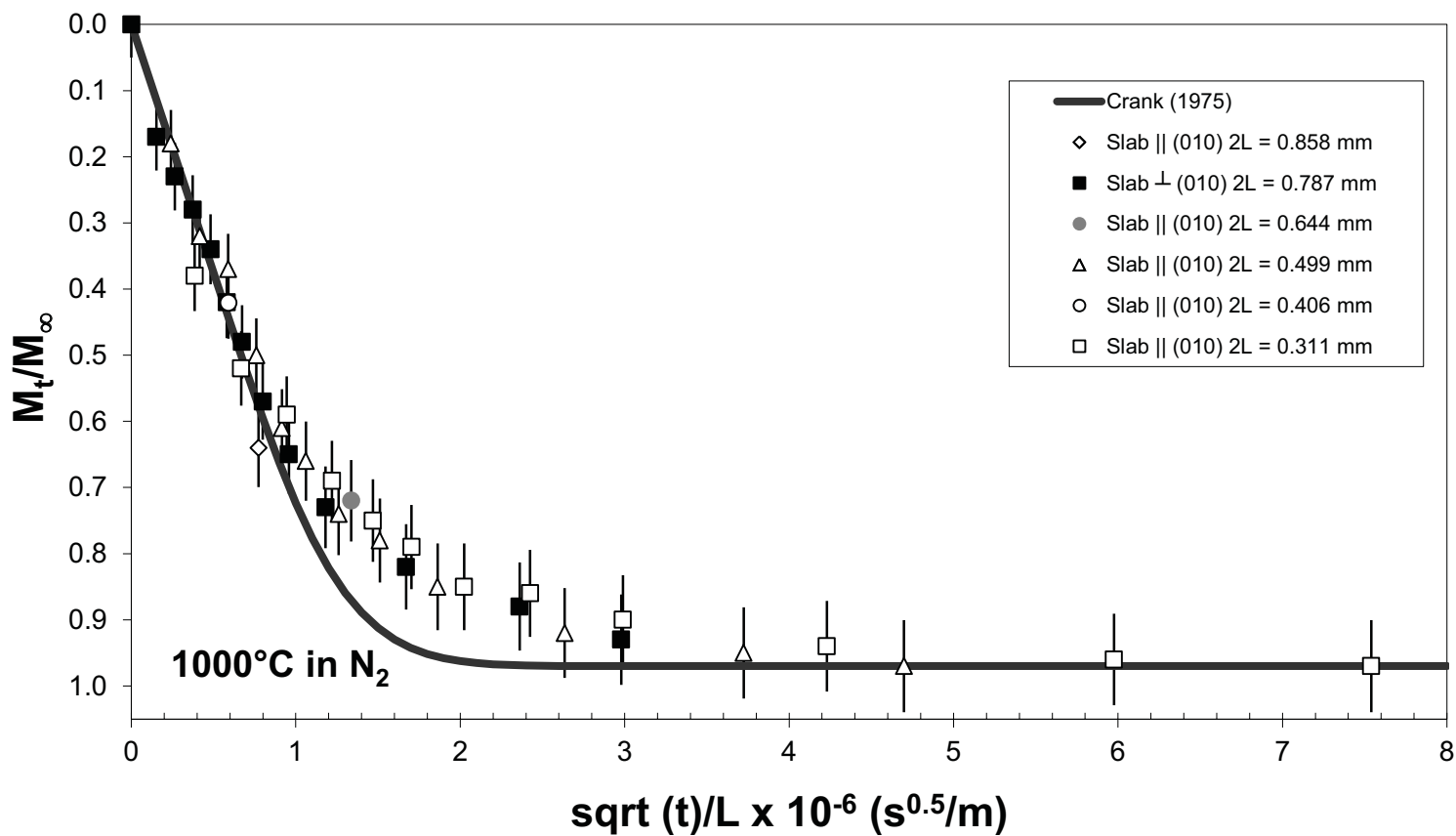


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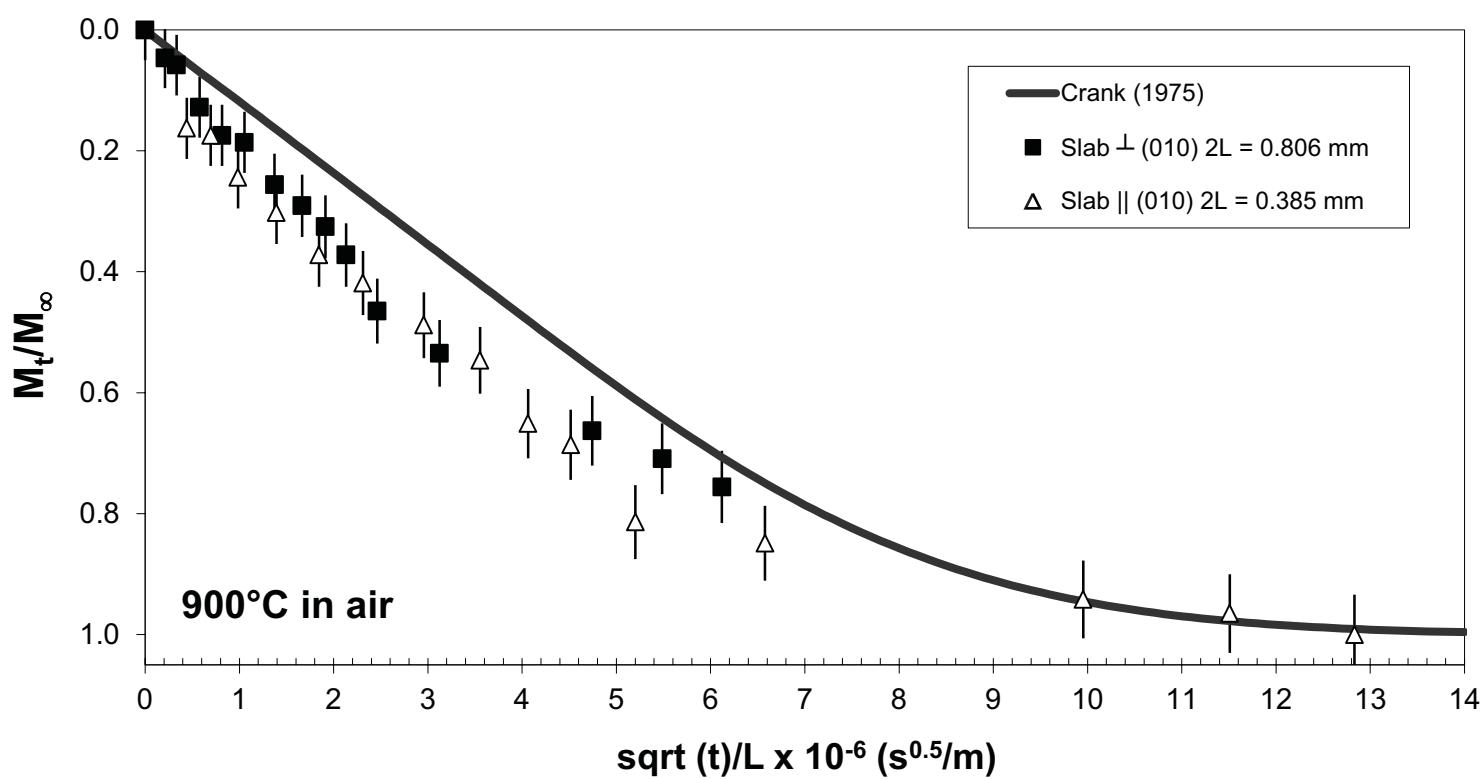


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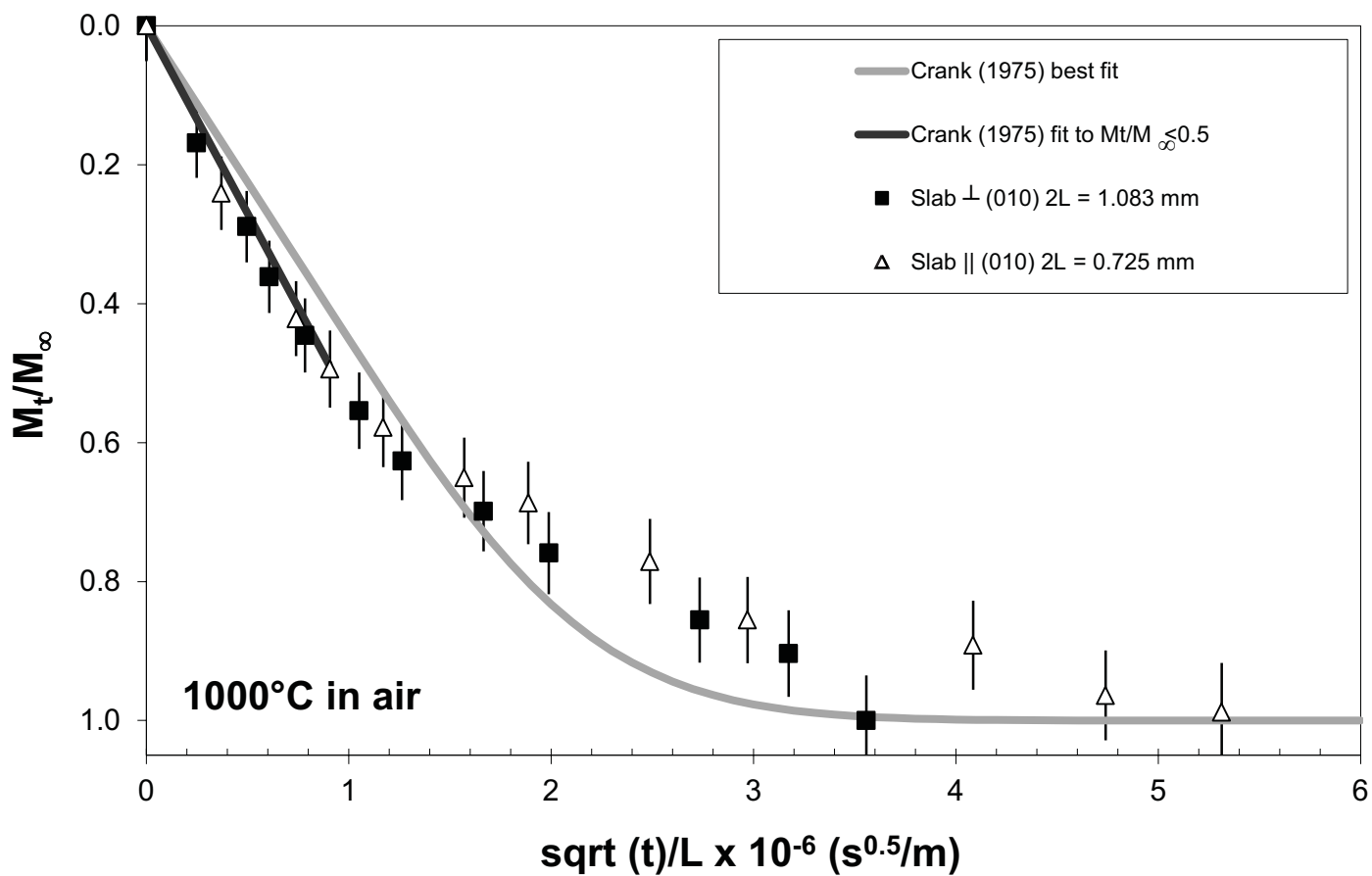


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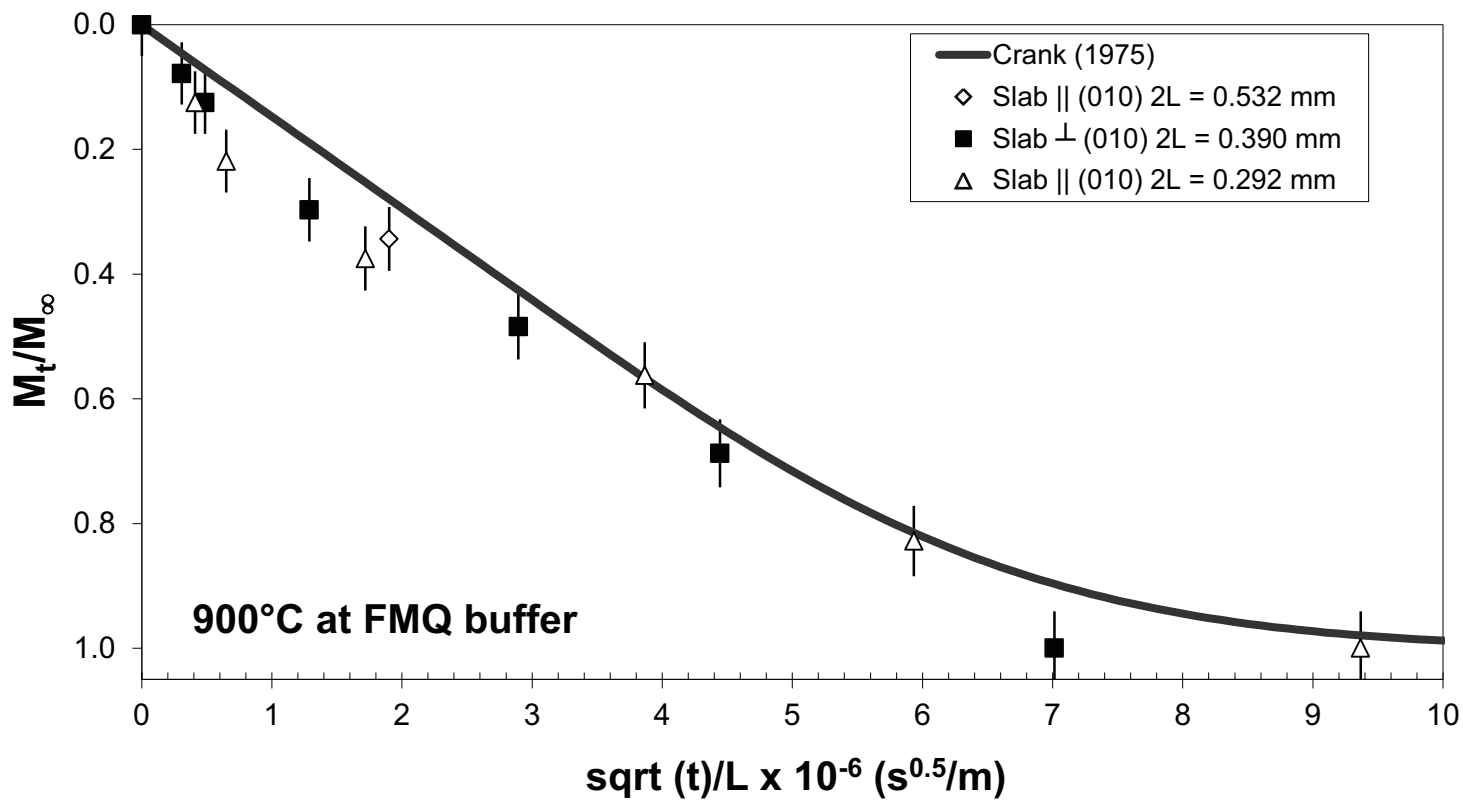


Figure 4

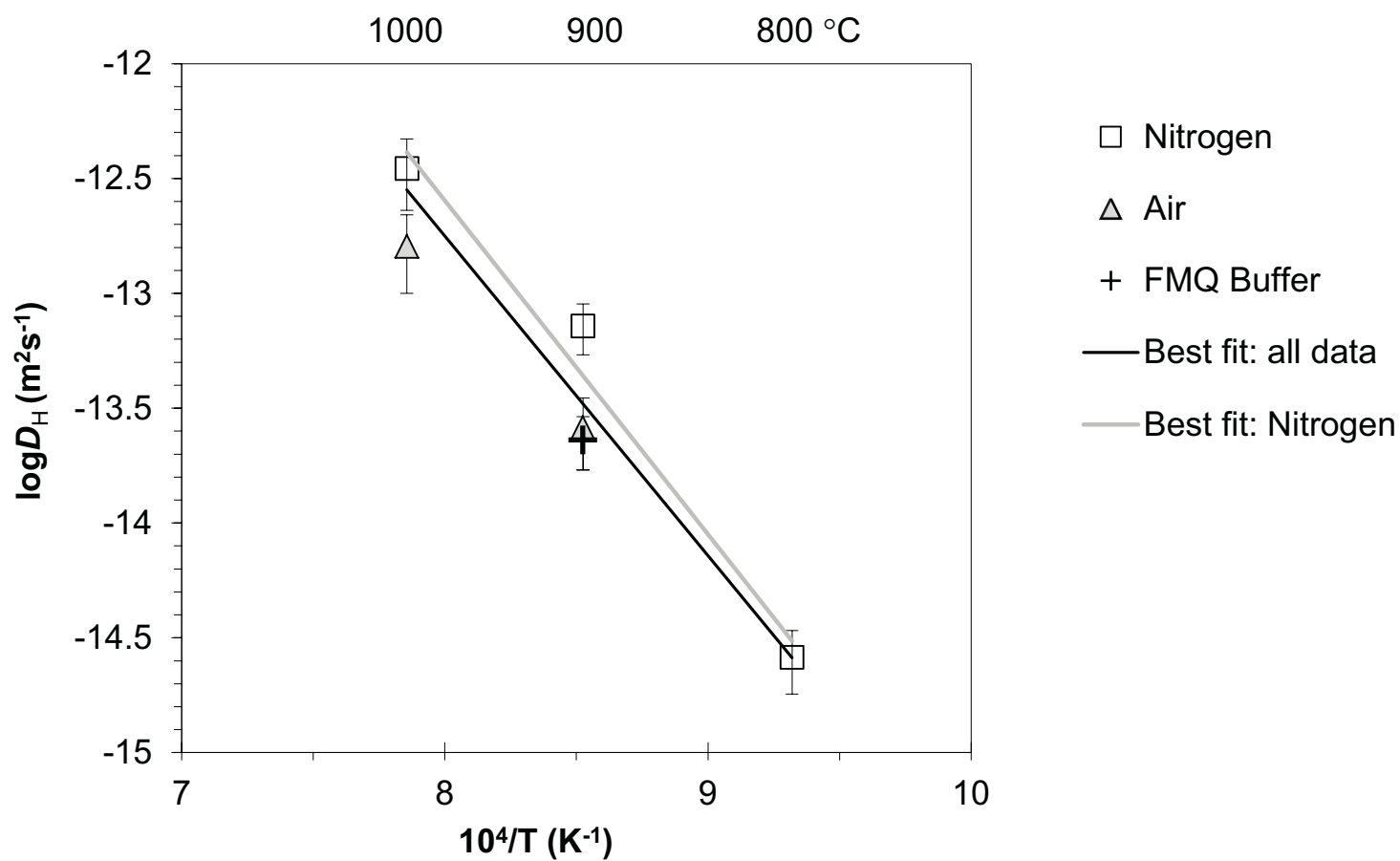


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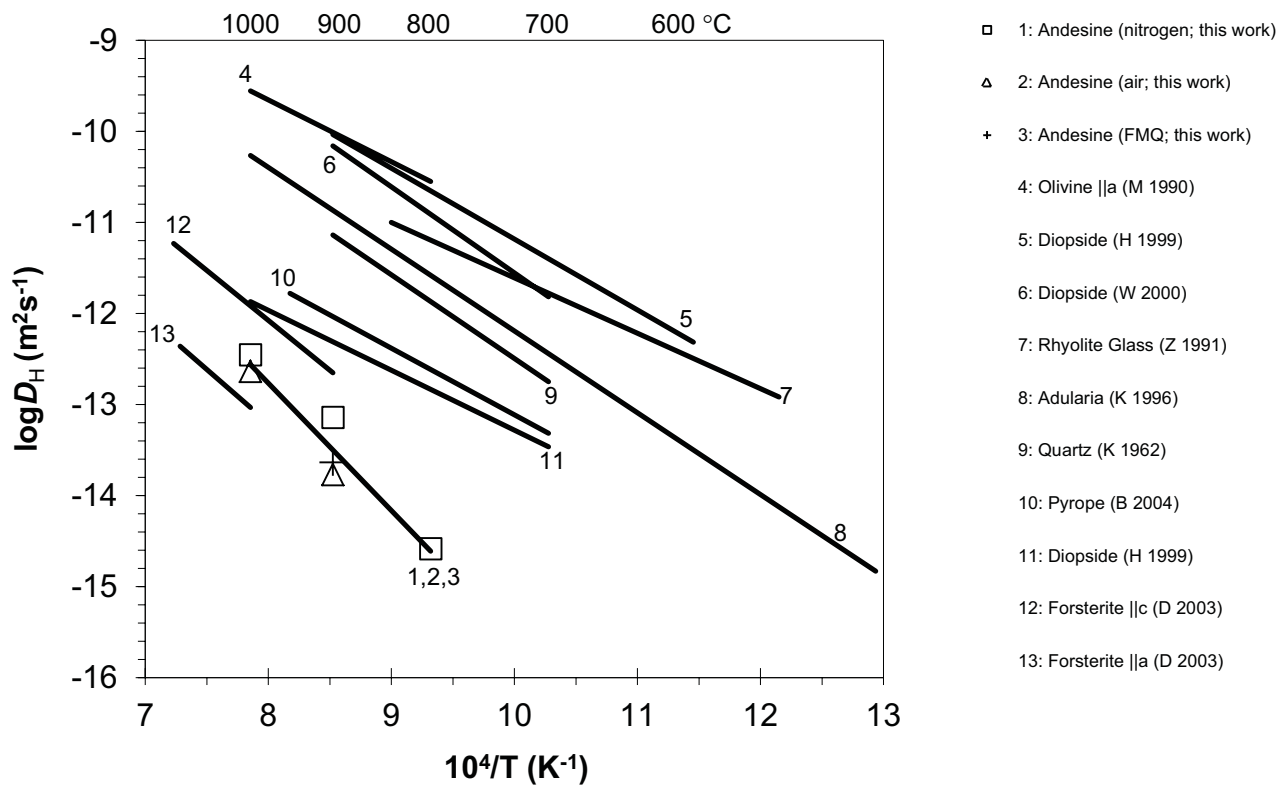


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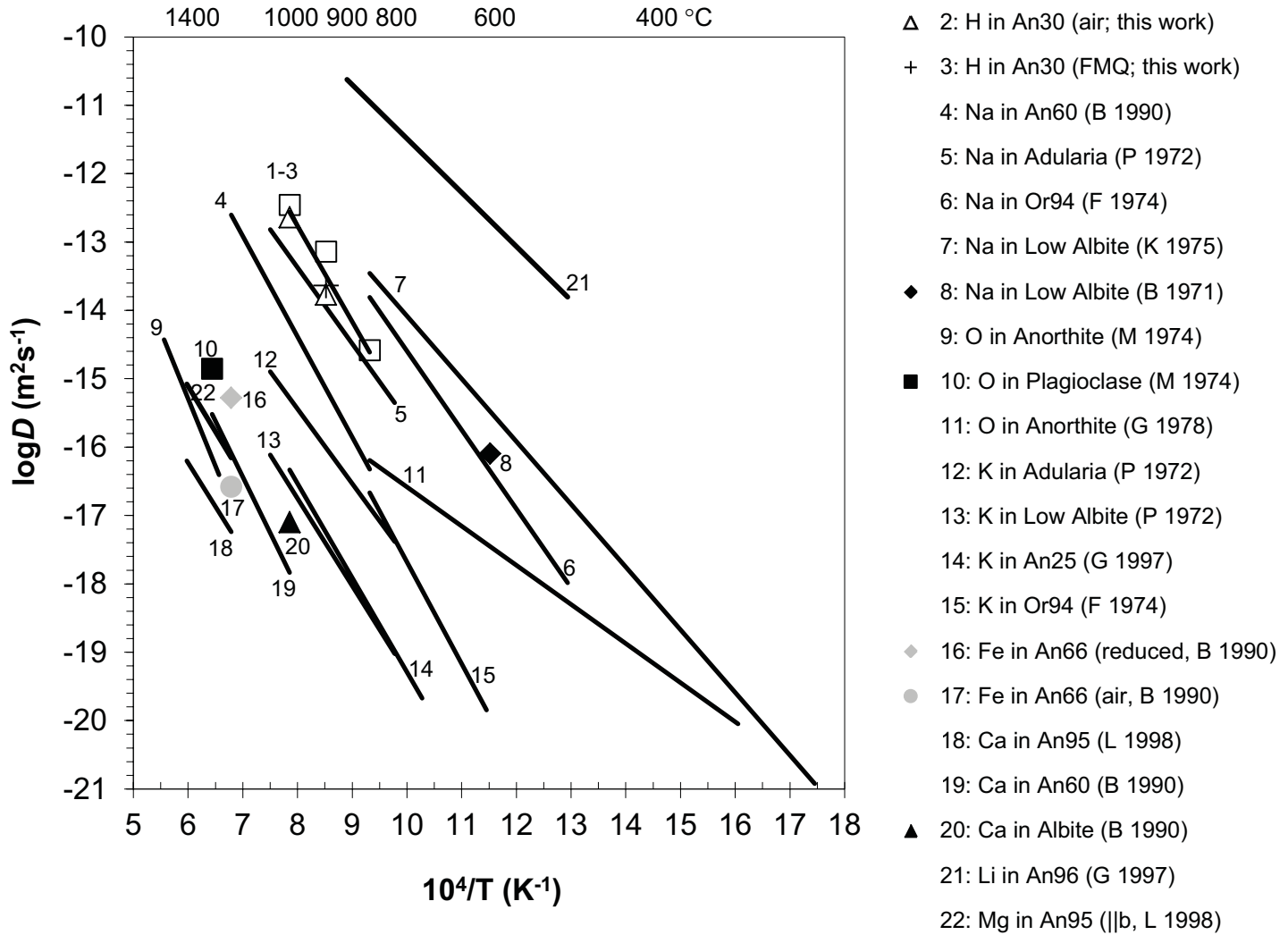


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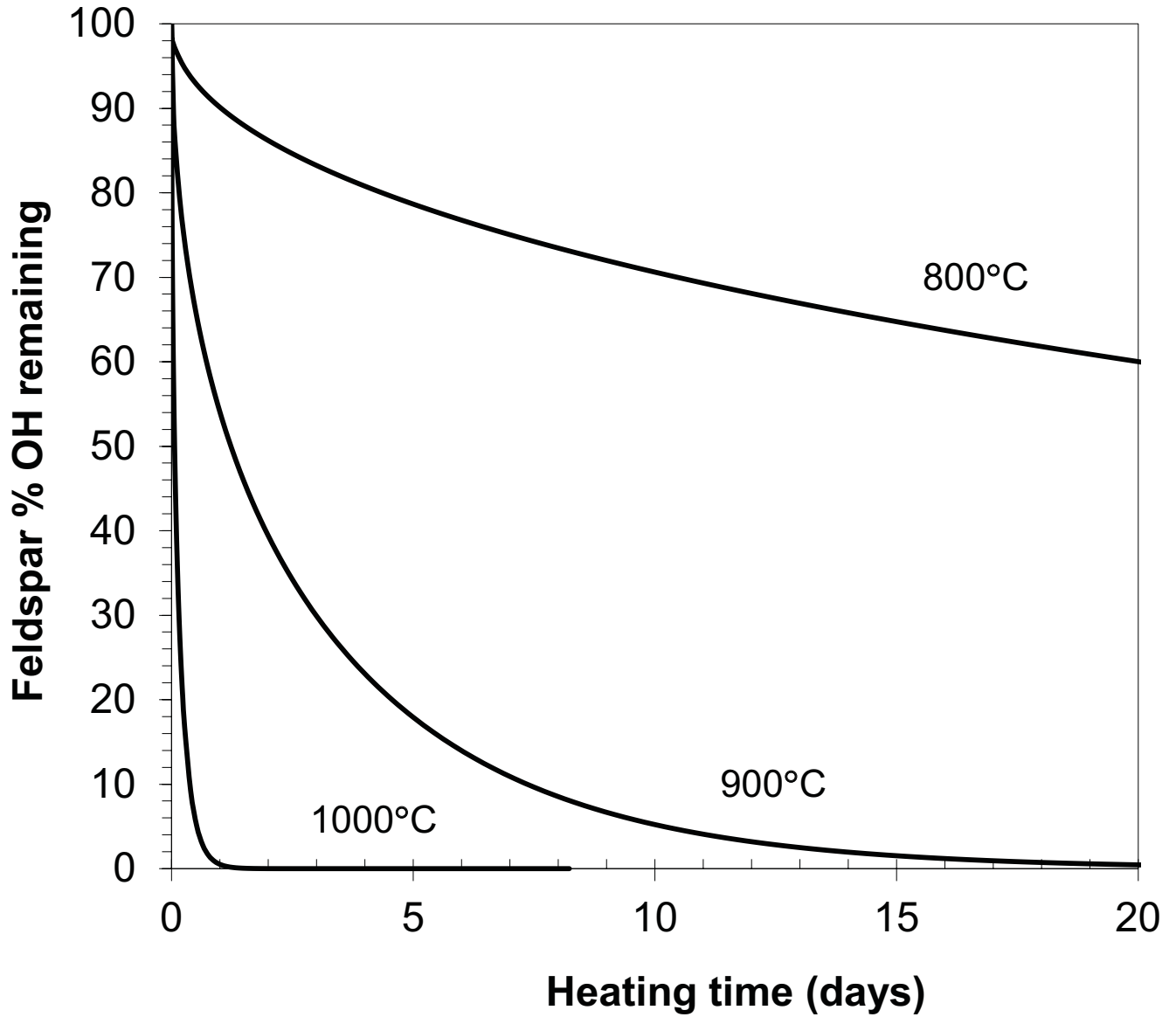


Figure 7