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Constraints on the origin of sub-effusive nodules from the Sarno (Pomici di Base) eruption of Mt. Somma-Vesuvius (Italy) based on compositions of silicate-melt inclusions and clinopyroxene

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Abstract

Major and trace element and volatile compositions of reheated melt inclusions (RMI) and their clinopyroxene hosts from a selected "sub-effusive" nodule from the uppermost layer of the Sarno (Pomici di Base; PB) plinian eruption of Mt. Somma-Vesuvius (Italy) have been determined. The Sarno eruption occurred during the first magmatic mega-cycle and is one of the oldest documented eruptions at Mt. Somma-Vesuvius. Based on MI and clinopyroxene composition we constrain processes associated with the origin of the nodule, its formation depth, and hence the depth of the magma chamber associated with the Sarno (PB) eruption. The results contribute to a better understanding of the early stages of evolution of long-lived Mt. Somma-Vesuvius volcanic complex.

The crystallized MI were heated to produce a homogeneous glass phase prior to analysis. MI homogenized between 1202-1256 °C, and three types of RMI were distinguished based on their compositions and behavior during heating. Type I RMI is classified as phono-tephrite – tephri-phonolite – shoshonite, and is the most representative of the melt phase from which the clinopyroxenes crystallized. The second type, referred to as basaltic RMI, have compositions that have been modified by accidentally trapped An-rich feldspar and/or by overheating during homogenization of the MI. The third type, referred to as high-P RMI, is classified as micro-basalt and has high-P content due to accidentally trapped apatite.

30 Type I RMI are more representative of magmas associated with pre-Sarno eruptions than to
31 magma associated with the Sarno (PB) eruption based on published bulk rock compositions for
32 Mt. Somma-Vesuvius. Therefore, it is suggested that the studied nodule formed from a melt
33 compositionally similar to that which was erupted during the early history of Mt. Somma. The
34 clinopyroxene and clinopyroxene-silicate melt thermobarometer models suggest minimum
35 pressures of 400 MPa (~11 km) for nodule formation, which is greater than pressures and depths
36 commonly reported for the magmas associated with younger plinian eruptions of Mt. Somma-
37 Vesuvius. Minimum pressures of formation based on volatile concentrations of MI interpreted
38 using H₂O-CO₂-silicate melt solubility models indicate formation pressures ≤ 300 MPa.

39 **Keywords:** melt inclusion, homogenization, thermobarometer, Mt. Somma-Vesuvius, nodule,
40 volcanic risk

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Introduction

43 Volcanic activity at Mt. Somma-Vesuvius (Campanian Plain, South Italy) has been the focus of
44 volcanological research for at nearly two millennia, starting with the letters written by Pliny the
45 Younger describing the eruption of Mt. Somma in 79 AD that destroyed Pompeii and killed his
46 uncle, Pliny the Elder. This work has been motivated not only by scientific curiosity but also, in
47 more recent years, by the significant volcanic hazard posed by the proximity of Mt. Somma-
48 Vesuvius to the densely populated city of Naples.

49 While Mt. Somma – Vesuvius has been active for more than 25 ka, most research has
50 focused on the products of the post-79 AD eruptions. The research focused both on the juvenile
51 products (Ayuso et al. 1998; Barberi et al. 1981; Belkin et al. 1993, 1998; Black et al. 1998;
52 Cioni 2000; Cioni et al. 1995, 1998; Civetta et al. 1991; Fulignati and Marianelli 2007; Joron et

53 al. 1987; Lima et al. 1999; Marianelli et al. 1995, 1999, 2005; Marini et al. 1998; Mastrolorenzo
54 et al. 1993; Mues-Schumacher 1994; Paone 2006, 2008; Piochi et al. 2006a; Raia et al. 2000;
55 Rolandi et al. 1993; Rosi and Santacroce 1983; Santacroce et al. 1993, 2008; Schiano et al. 2004;
56 Somma et al. 2001; Vaggelli et al. 1993; Villemant et al. 1993; Webster et al. 2001) and on the
57 co-genetic or xenolithic lithic fragments, referred to as nodules (Barberi and Leoni 1980; Belkin
58 and De Vivo 1993; Belkin et al. 1985; Cioni et al. 1995; Cundari 1982; Del Moro et al. 2001;
59 Fulignati and Marianelli 2007; Fulignati et al. 1998, 2001, 2004, 2005; Gilg et al. 2001; Hermes
60 and Cornell 1978, 1981; Lima et al. 2003, 2007; Savelli 1968; Sorby 1858). As a result of these
61 studies, the composition of the source region, the structure of the plumbing system, and the pre-
62 eruptive processes and volatile contents of the magmas are fairly well constrained for the post-79
63 AD eruptions. However, less attention has been devoted to the older eruptions. While abundant
64 data are available for the whole rock compositions of the juvenile products, much less
65 information is available for the melt inclusions (MI).

66 MI can provide valuable information concerning melt generation and evolution, and the
67 trapping conditions for the MI (Anderson 2003). In addition, MI represent the only tool that can
68 directly provide the pre-eruptive volatile (such as H₂O, CO₂, S, Cl, F) content of a magma. The
69 bulk rock measurements only provide a minimum estimate of volatiles at depth owing to
70 continued degassing during ascent and emplacement on the surface (Lowenstern 2003). In
71 addition, MI from nodules may provide important information related to igneous processes
72 occurring at the magma-country rock interface (e.g., De Vivo et al. 2006).

73 This study focuses on a sub-effusive nodule (NLM1-1a) previously described by (Klébesz et
74 al. 2012). They reported preliminary results (major and trace element compositions) of MI
75 obtained by analyses of crystallized, unexposed MI using Laser Ablation Inductively-Coupled

76 Plasma Mass Spectrometry (LA-ICP-MS). This method, however, does not provide information
77 on the volatile content, and the formation P and T cannot be constrained due to large
78 uncertainties in the major element content associated with analyzing crystallized MI. By heating
79 and homogenizing the MI in the clinopyroxenes, we were able to overcome these obstacles.
80 Major and minor element concentrations of 132 RMI were obtained by Electron Microprobe
81 Analysis (EPMA), trace element concentrations of 73 RMI by LA-ICP-MS, and volatile element
82 concentrations of 32 RMI by Secondary Ion Mass Spectrometry (SIMS). Although
83 homogenization experiments have some disadvantages owing to possible overheating and/or host
84 assimilation, variations related to natural processes and those associated with the heating
85 experiments can often be distinguished. In addition, the obtained data can be used to estimate the
86 formation conditions (P , T) of the MI, hence the depth at which the nodule originated or last
87 equilibrated. The results of this study provide constraints that help us to better understand the
88 early stages of evolution of the Mt. Somma-Vesuvius volcanic complex.

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Geological background

91 During the Quaternary period, potassium-rich volcanism developed in central and southern Italy,
92 forming the Roman Co-magmatic Province (Washington 1906) located along the Tyrrhenian
93 margin. The Mt. Somma-Vesuvius volcanic complex is a stratovolcano situated at the
94 southernmost end of the Roman Province, south of the Campanian Plain. The most recent review
95 by De Vivo et al. (2010) summarizes our current knowledge about the source region, plumbing
96 system and volcanic activity of Mt. Somma-Vesuvius, and here we describe the eruptive history
97 briefly.

98 Eruptive activity associated with the Mt. Somma-Vesuvius volcanic complex started after the
99 highest magnitude eruption in the Campanian Magmatic Province, the Campanian Ignimbrite
100 eruption (39 ka; De Vivo et al. 2001). Other volcanic activity in the area dates back to *ca.* 400 ka
101 (Brocchini et al. 2001; De Vivo et al. 2001; Rolandi et al. 2003; Santacroce et al. 2008 and
102 references therein).

103 The Mt. Somma-Vesuvius bulk rock compositions define three groups, i.e., three mega-
104 cycles (Arnó et al. 1987; Ayuso et al. 1998; Civetta and Santacroce 1992). In the following, the
105 eruptive history is described according to Rolandi (1997), and in parenthesis the names of
106 eruptions according to Santacroce (1987) are listed. The first mega-cycle lasted from >25 ka to
107 about 14 ka, and includes the older Somma activity, the Codola, the Sarno (Pomici di Base; PB),
108 and the Novelle (Verdoline) plinian eruptions and the subsequent interplinian stages. The second
109 mega-cycle started around 8 ka and lasted until about 2.7 ka, incorporating the Ottaviano
110 (Mercato) and Avellino plinian eruptions and protohistoric interplinian activity. The third mega
111 cycle started in 79 AD with the Pompeii plinian eruption and the subsequent ancient historical
112 interplinian activity. Two other subplinian eruptions belong to this mega-cycle; the 472 AD
113 (Pollena) and the 1631 AD eruptions, both followed by interplinian activity. The last eruption
114 occurred in 1944 and either represents the end of the most recent mega-cycle or simply one of
115 the many eruptions within the continuing third mega-cycle, which would represent an unusually
116 long repose time between eruptions within the continuing third mega-cycle (De Vivo et al. 2010
117 and references therein).

118 The products of the first mega-cycle are slightly silica-undersaturated (K-trachyte, K-latitude;
119 e.g., Ayuso et al. 1998; Paone 2006; Piochi et al. 2006a; Santacroce et al. 2008). The products of
120 the second mega-cycle are mildly silica-undersaturated (phonotephrites to phonolites; e.g.,

121 Ayuso et al. 1998; Piochi et al. 2006a; Santacroce et al. 2008). The third mega-cycle is
122 characterized by strongly silica-undersaturated rocks with tephrite to tephriphonolite-foidite
123 composition (e.g., Ayuso et al. 1998; Piochi et al. 2006a; Santacroce et al. 2008).

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125 **Previous studies on nodules from Mt. Somma-Vesuvius**

126 In the Mt. Somma-Vesuvius literature, the term nodule refers to ejecta showing wide
127 variability in composition and texture that are common in the pyroclastic products. Nodules can
128 be metamorphic and/or metasomatized sedimentary rocks, ranging from carbonates to silicic
129 skarn rocks, as well as coarse-grained igneous rocks and cumulate rocks. Zambonini (1910) was
130 the first to describe nodules in the Mt. Somma-Vesuvius deposits, but the classification which
131 has been used recently was proposed by Hermes and Cornell (1978). They divided the Mt.
132 Somma-Vesuvian nodules into four groups: 1) ultramafic cumulates, 2) “skarns”, representing
133 metasomatized carbonates, 3) recrystallized carbonate hornfels, and 4) “sub-effusive” rocks,
134 which are shallow plutonic rocks.

135 In the Mt. Somma-Vesuvius system, the earlier studies focused on constraining the physical
136 parameters of nodule genesis, but did not consider the geochemical or petrological origin of the
137 nodules or whether they are co-genetic with their pyroclastic hosts. Sorby (1858) studied
138 metasomatized carbonate (skarn) ejecta and concluded that the minerals formed between 340 and
139 380 °C and at a depth of about 0.6-1 km. Barberi and Leoni (1980) also studied skarns, but they
140 assumed a temperature range of 360-790 °C and a maximum depth of 5-6 km. Cortini et al.
141 (1985) estimated the crystallization temperature of phenocrysts in skarns to be 850-1050 °C, and
142 1170-1240 °C in cumulates, based on the homogenization temperatures of MI. Belkin and De
143 Vivo (1993) and Belkin et al. (1985) suggested a multistage crystallization history, based on the

144 bimodal distribution of CO₂ fluid inclusion (FI) densities, and estimated 3.5-13 km and 4-10 km
145 for the depth of nodule formation for the interplinian and the plinian eruptions, respectively.
146 Belkin and De Vivo (1993) also noted that FI in nodules from the plinian eruption have higher
147 H₂O-content compared to those from the inter-plinian eruption.

148 The origin and genesis of the nodules from Mt. Somma-Vesuvius has been controversial.
149 Based on the mineral assemblages and the interstitial glass compositions, Hermes and Cornell
150 (1981, 1983) inferred that the cumulate nodules formed over a range of depths, with a maximum
151 pressure of 300 MPa (~8 km). But, Varekamp (1983) argued that all nodules were derived from
152 the same, shallow source. Savelli (1968) examined carbonate ejecta and concluded, based on the
153 non-equilibrium assemblages, that there was no direct evidence of wall rock assimilation but
154 rather that metasomatism by volcanic fluids and gases was responsible for the observed
155 compositions. Today, it is generally accepted that the silicate crystalline nodules and the skarns
156 represent samples of the heterogeneous wallrock of the magma chamber. The large
157 compositional variations reflect the gradual changes from the carbonate country rock through
158 skarns and metasomatized cumulate rocks to a cumulate crystal mush along the inner walls of the
159 chamber (Cioni et al. 1995). Little information is available about the origin of sub-effusive type
160 nodules that were reported by Hermes and Cornell (1978) from several different eruptions. Most
161 commonly, sub-effusive nodules are interpreted as representing shallow plutonic rocks that
162 usually show compositions equivalent to the erupted lavas or pyroclastics (Belkin and De Vivo
163 1993; Hermes and Cornell 1978) or intermediate between lava and cumulate compositions
164 (Hermes and Cornell 1978). Hermes and Cornell (1978) suggested that sub-effusive nodules
165 represent the crystal rich part of the crystal mush zone, but this hypothesis was never tested.

166 Many studies have focused on skarn and silicic nodules from post 79 AD plinian eruptions to
167 understand processes occurring at the magma/wall rock interface and to constrain the underlying
168 plumbing system of the volcano. These studies (Del Moro et al. 2001; Fulignati et al. 1998,
169 2000, 2001, 2004, 2005; Gilg et al. 2001) concluded that skarn generation can be explained by
170 carbonate wall rock assimilation by mafic alkaline magma that leads to the exsolution of CO₂-
171 rich vapor and complex saline melts from the contaminated magma. These fluids react with the
172 carbonate wall rock resulting in skarn formation. All of the above studies estimate a high
173 (magmatic) temperature, above 700 °C, for skarn formation.

174 Lima et al. (2003, 2007) constrain the post 79 AD evolution of Mt. Somma-Vesuvius based
175 on compositional data from FI and MI trapped in crystals of nodules. According to their model,
176 separate small magma chambers exist at depths of >3.5 km and possibly a larger chamber is
177 present at a depth of >12 km. In this model, interplinian periods represent a steady state
178 condition under the volcano. During these periods, the volcano acts like an “open system”,
179 indicating that the input of a new supply of magma is always followed by eruption. However, at
180 the end of these periods, cooling of the magma leads to the precipitation of newly formed
181 crystals, which subsequently leads to self-sealing, and hence “closing” of the system. In this
182 situation, the pressure can build up, leading to a subsequent highly explosive plinian eruption. It
183 was also suggested that a carapace forms around the upper portion of the shallow magma
184 chamber (3.6-4.5 km) and acts as an interface between the brittle and plastic rocks (Lima et al.
185 2007).

186 Klébesz et al. (2012) studied sub-effusive nodules from the ~20 ka Sarno (PB) eruption.
187 Their study focused mainly on the petrography and mineral chemistry of the nodules. They also
188 reported MI in clinopyroxene. Klébesz et al. (2012) distinguished two types of MI based on

189 petrography, and their classification was supported by compositions determined by LA-ICP-MS.
190 Type I MI contain mica, Fe-Ti-oxide phases and/or dark green spinel, clinopyroxene, feldspar
191 and a vapor bubble. Type II inclusions are generally lighter in color, compared to type I MI,
192 when observed in transmitted light. Generally, Type II MI contain subhedral feldspar, glass,
193 oxides and/or one or more bubbles. Type I MI are classified as phono-tephrite – tephri-phonolite
194 – basaltic trachy-andesite, while Type II MI have basaltic composition (Klébesz et al. 2012).
195 Based on the texture of the nodules and the composition of the minerals and MI, they proposed
196 that the studied nodules originated from crystal-rich mush zones within the plumbing system of
197 Mt. Somma-Vesuvius. In addition, Klébesz et al. (2012) reported that data from crystallized MI
198 suggest magma heterogeneities during the early stages of this volcanic system.

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Description of samples and methods

201 Nodules were collected from the uppermost layer of the Sarno eruption in the Traianello quarry,
202 located on the NE slope of Mt. Somma. The nodules consist of An-rich plagioclase, K-feldspar,
203 clinopyroxene (ferro-diopside), mica (phlogopite-biotite) ± olivine and amphibole and have a
204 porphyrogranular texture. The phenocrysts are large (up to few mm) and show variable
205 compositional zoning. Often irregular intergrowths of alkali feldspar and plagioclase with
206 clinopyroxene, mica and Fe-Ti-oxide minerals are observed. These features are interpreted as
207 crystallized melt pockets. For more detailed information on location of the collected samples,
208 petrographic description and geochemistry of the minerals in the nodule described in this study
209 (NLM1-1a) refer to Type A nodules in Klébesz et al. (2012).

210 Heating experiments on 67 clinopyroxene crystals from sample NLM1-1a were carried out in
211 the Linkam TS1400 XY heating stage. The specifications of the heating stage and the details of a

212 heating experiment are discussed by Esposito et al. (2012). Heating experiments were conducted
213 during five analytical sessions. In every crystal one MI was preselected and observed
214 continuously and photographed at various times (temperatures) during the heating experiment
215 (Deposit Item-01). Heating was continued until the observed inclusion homogenized, then the
216 sample was quenched. Subsequently, the host crystals were individually mounted in epoxy and
217 polished until the reheated melt inclusion (RMI) was exposed (Thomas and Bodnar 2002). The
218 crystals were removed from the epoxy by a hot needle, and then they were cleaned in distilled
219 water and mounted in a one-inch diameter indium probe mount. A 5 nm evaporative gold coating
220 was applied for the Scanning Electron Microscope (SEM) and for EPMA, and a 30 nm thick
221 sputtered gold coating was applied for SIMS to minimize C-contamination (see Esposito et al.
222 2014).

223 Reheated MI (RMI) were analyzed for major and minor elements (SiO_2 , TiO_2 , Al_2O_3 , FeO ,
224 MnO , MgO , CaO , Na_2O) by EPMA and for trace elements (Sc, V, Cr, Ni, Rb, Sr, Y, Zr, Nb, Ba,
225 La, Ce, Nd, Sm, Eu, Yb) by LA-ICP-MS. Sample preparation and the specifications of the
226 analytical methods are identical to those described in Klébesz et al. (2012).

227 RMI were analyzed for volatile (H_2O , CO_2 , F, Cl, S) abundances using the SIMS 7f GEO ion
228 probe at Virginia Tech. Analyses were performed using $^{133}\text{Cs}^+$ as the source, with a current
229 between 1 and 1.6 nA. A $30\ \mu\text{m} \times 30\ \mu\text{m}$ spot was rastered within the glass for 240 s to clean
230 the surface before analysis. Then, a $15\ \mu\text{m} \times 15\ \mu\text{m}$ spot within the rastered area was analyzed
231 using 15 accumulations in depth profile mode. Volatile contents were related to the ratio of the
232 isotope (mass) of interest ($^{16}\text{O}^1\text{H}$, ^{12}C , ^{19}F , ^{32}S or ^{35}Cl) to ^{30}Si . Four natural standard glasses were
233 used to calibrate the SIMS (EN11346D-2, ALV1649-3, GL07D52-5 and ALV1654-3; Helo et al.
234 2011). The measured element ratios (e.g., $^{12}\text{C}/^{30}\text{Si}$) were plotted against the known volatile

235 concentration (e.g., CO₂) of the standard glasses to define the calibration curve. In addition, it
236 has to be emphasized that in some cases the volatile concentration (usually F and sometimes Cl)
237 of the sample was too high and saturated the Faraday cup, therefore, the concentrations of those
238 volatile species could not be determined. Calibration curves used in this study are reported by
239 Esposito et al. (2014) in the deposit items for working session October 2011.

240 The estimated standard deviation (e.s.d.; 1 sigma) of the EPMA is usually below 5%, if the
241 concentration is above 1 wt%. The e.s.d. (3 sigma) of the LA-ICP-MS analysis was calculated
242 based on Longerich et al. (1996). The 1 σ errors based on the slope of each calibration line are
243 5% relative for CO₂, 3% for H₂O and F, 6% for S, and 1% for Cl [see Deposit item AM-14-508,
244 October_2011 working session in Esposito et al. (2014)]. Based on multiple analyses of three
245 standard glasses, the 1 σ reproducibility is 5% for H₂O and F, 6% for S, 14% for CO₂, and 24%
246 for Cl in average. Esposito et al. (2014) analyzed groups of MI all trapped at the same time (melt
247 inclusion assemblage) and estimated SIMS uncertainties of ~10-15% for H₂O and Cl and ~10%
248 for F. It is important to note that Esposito et al. (2014) reported that MI within a single melt
249 inclusion assemblage show large variability for CO₂ and S concentrations that is beyond the
250 SIMS analytical error and likely due to heterogeneity within the MI.

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Results

253 Clinopyroxene chemistry

254 Clinopyroxenes are present as phenocrysts and in the groundmass of the nodule. Clinopyroxene
255 compositions show some variability, but most can be classified as ferroan diopside based on the
256 compositions obtained by EPMA (Table 1 and Table 1 in Deposit Item-02). Complex
257 compositional zoning is not common in this sample, but normal zoning is occasionally observed.

258 The MgO content of the clinopyroxene shows only moderate variation, and the calculated mg#
259 $[\text{Mg}/(\text{Mg}+\text{Fe}^{\text{total}})]$ ranges between 0.72 and 0.82 (Table 1). No strong correlation was observed
260 between MgO and Cr (Fig. 1b), but in general, clinopyroxenes with higher MgO content tend to
261 have higher Cr concentration, showing up to ~1,300 ppm Cr in some crystals. The MgO content
262 correlates negatively with TiO_2 and Al_2O_3 contents (Fig. 1d), and also with most REE and HFSE
263 (e.g., Zr, Nb). The $\text{CaO}/\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ ratio shows good positive correlation with MgO content (Fig. 1c).
264 Some variation in the trace element concentration is observed, but all samples show similar trace
265 element patterns. The trends defined by major and trace elements and trace element patterns of
266 clinopyroxenes are consistent with fractional crystallization.

267 **Melt inclusions in clinopyroxene**

268 MI in clinopyroxene from the NLM1-1a nodule are either randomly distributed in the crystals or
269 occur along a growth zone that defines a MI assemblage (Bodnar and Student 2006) and are
270 interpreted to be primary (Roedder 1979; Sobolev and Kostyuk 1975). The MI are usually 20-30
271 μm in maximum dimension, but range from about 5 to 60 μm , and have prismatic shape. They
272 are partially to completely crystallized, indicating (relatively) slow cooling (Roedder 1979). We
273 observed two types of MI, similar to those described by Klébesz et al. (2012).

274 The homogenization temperature (T_h) of MI in clinopyroxene ranges from 1202 to 1256 °C,
275 but most of the MI show T_h between 1220-1250 °C. However, some other (smaller) MI that were
276 not monitored continuously during heating may have homogenized before the larger MI that
277 were monitored continuously and quenched after homogenization. The T_h does not necessarily
278 equal the trapping temperature (T_t) of the MI. Therefore, if the T_h is below the T_t , the MI can be
279 depleted in the host mineral components, instead if the T_h is above the T_t then the MI can be
280 enriched in those components. However, ratios of elements that are incompatible with the host

281 and elements showing similar concentrations in the melt and the host (e.g., TiO₂, SiO₂, La, Ce,
282 Eu, Zr.) should not be affected significantly by quenching the MI at a T_h different from T_t (Lima
283 et al. 2003).

284 For crystallized MI that were analyzed by LA-ICP-MS, it was always possible to determine
285 if the analyzed MI belongs to Type I or Type II based on petrography (Klébesz et al. 2012). In
286 this study, usually one or a small number of MI in each crystal were documented and
287 photographed before the heating experiment, and these MI were monitored continuously during
288 heating to homogenization. However, after heating and then further polishing of the sample to
289 expose the target MI, additional MI that could be analyzed but which had not been documented
290 before heating were often observed. Thus, no record was available for the phases and appearance
291 of these MI before heating. Therefore, we were unable to assign some RMI to the classification
292 of Klébesz et al. (2012) using petrographic data, but instead we classify the RMI based on
293 chemical composition (Table 2 and Table 2 in Deposit Item-02). Thus, RMI with total alkali
294 content >5 wt% are classified as *Type I RMI* (Fig. 2), due to the fact that they have compositions
295 similar to Type I MI in Klébesz et al. (2012). Based on the calculated mg# of the clinopyroxene
296 which would be in equilibrium with the RMI and the measured mg# of the host, only Type I
297 RMI are in, or close to, equilibrium with the clinopyroxene host (Putirka 2008).

298 A large number (25) of RMI had alkali, silica and trace element contents that were lower
299 than Type I RMI. Here, we refer to these RMI as *basaltic RMI*, owing the fact that they are
300 classified as basalts on the total alkali silica diagram (Fig. 2; Le Bas et al. 1986). No petrographic
301 observations before heating are available for most of the basaltic RMI, but a few (5) are similar
302 to those that were classified as Type II by (Klébesz et al. 2012) based on petrography. Basaltic
303 RMI are usually small ($\leq 20 \mu\text{m}$) compared to type I RMI.

304 Some RMI with micro-basaltic composition (Fig. 2) and with high P_2O_5 (up to 8 wt%)
305 coupled with high CaO/Na₂O ratio (up to 7) were also observed, referred to here as *high-P RMI*.
306 Similar to the basaltic RMI, pre-heating petrographic information was available only for a few
307 high-P RMI. Those high-P RMI are similar to MI that were classified as Type II (Klébesz et al.
308 2012) based on petrography. Some of the high-P RMI did not homogenize completely, in some
309 cases a small solid phase, that was not large enough to be analyzed, was observed after
310 quenching. This solid phase fluoresced under the focused electron beam. These characteristics
311 suggest that the inclusions trapped silicate melt plus apatite. We have corrected the high-P RMI
312 compositions by subtracting the apatite contribution (using the stoichiometric formula
313 $Ca_5[PO_4]_3OH$) and assuming that the melt contained 0.8 wt% P_2O_5 , which is the average P
314 content of Type I RMI, and any P in excess of this value is from trapped apatite. The corrected
315 compositions of the high-P RMI become similar to other RMI.

316 RMI that are petrographically similar to Type II MI reported by Klébesz et al. (2012) were
317 heated to ~1250 °C during homogenization experiments. These MI appear to homogenize to a
318 silicate melt during heating; however, after quenching and exposing them on the surface of the
319 crystals, these MI were analyzed using the SEM and classified as not having homogenized. A
320 tabular mineral phase surrounded by melt was observed. Some of these mineral phases show
321 plagioclase composition based on EPMA. Sometimes the analyzed phases were smaller than the
322 analytical volume (area) of the EPMA, therefore some of the surrounding material was included
323 in the analysis, resulting in elevated MgO, FeO and lower Al₂O₃ content. We interpret these
324 results as an indication that the MI trapped a plagioclase crystal along with melt and we will
325 refer hereafter to these MI as *Feldspar (Fsp)*, or *fsp-bearing RMI* (Fig. 2).

326 RMI data show considerable scatter, but general trends are recognizable in the case of Type I
327 RMI when plotted on MgO vs. major oxide and trace element variation diagrams (selected
328 diagrams are shown in Fig. 3a-c). The data show an increase in SiO₂, Al₂O₃, K₂O and also in
329 P₂O₅ and Na₂O, and a decrease in CaO and FeO, with decreasing MgO, but no trend in MgO vs.
330 TiO₂. Most of the RMI trace elements (Rb, Sr, Zr, Nb, Ba, La, Ce) show increasing abundance
331 with decreasing MgO content for Type I RMI, except for Cr, Sc and Mn. Some of the trace
332 element data show significant scatter and no trend is recognized for MgO vs. Y, Nd, Sm, Eu and
333 Yb. Compositions of the RMI of this study and the crystallized MI by Klébesz et al. (2012)
334 partially overlap. However, RMI of this study show a wider compositional range. The observed
335 trends in RMI are consistent with compositional variations resulting from overheating of the MI
336 and incorporation of variable amounts of the host phase into the melt.

337 In this study, basaltic RMI define a continuous trend from Type I RMI compositions towards
338 more primitive compositions and towards the composition of the host clinopyroxene. It is
339 noteworthy that compositions of basaltic RMI always plot in between the compositions of the
340 Type I RMI, plagioclase and the host clinopyroxene (Fig. 3). This trend is more evident on the
341 Ba/Sr vs. 1000/Sr diagram (Fig. 3d), where mixing between end-members defines straight lines.
342 Therefore, the compositions of the basaltic RMI can be derived from the mixing of plagioclase ±
343 Type I melt ± host clinopyroxene.

344 Volatiles, including F, Cl, S, H₂O and CO₂, were analyzed in selected homogenized MI. The
345 H₂O content was uniformly low, below 0.15 wt%. The CO₂ content varied between 131-1,893
346 ppm but was mostly below 400 ppm. The F content ranged up to 4,000 ppm but in some cases it
347 is higher because the analytical conditions prevented us from determining the exact
348 concentration because the detector became saturated. The S and Cl contents also vary greatly,

349 reaching maximum concentrations of 156 ppm and 2,771 ppm, respectively. On one hand, no
350 correlation is observed between the volatile abundances when all types of RMI studied (basaltic-
351 RMI, Fsp-MI, High-P, and Type I) are considered, with the exception of S concentration which
352 shows a positive correlation with Cl concentration. On the other hand, we observe some
353 correlations between volatile concentrations and major and trace elements and Mg# of the
354 clinopyroxene host. For example, in Type-1 RMI, Cl increases with increasing S and H₂O.
355 Fluorine shows behavior similar to Cl with the exception of one outlier. Also, S and Cl decrease
356 with increasing Sc, and H₂O shows a strong positive correlation with MnO. Finally, there is a
357 general positive correlation between F, Cl, S, H₂O and the Mg# of the clinopyroxene host and
358 the quenching temperature (T_q).

359 Considering felspar RMI, basaltic RMI, and High-P RMI, MI show Cl vs. Zr, Rb and La
360 trends toward the origin of the axes with few outliers. Fluorine and S behave in a manner similar
361 to Cl. The anomalous RMI show consistent H₂O content between 0.10 and 0.20 wt% with the
362 exception of one High-P RMI that contains 0.05 wt% H₂O.

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Discussion

365 Comparison of the MI data with previously-published results

366 It was previously suggested by Klébesz et al. (2012) that MI hosted in clinopyroxene from the
367 same nodule studied here record small scale heterogeneities within the melt, which is common at
368 the edges of a magma conduit system (Danyushevsky et al. 2004). However, some RMI of this
369 study that are similar to Type II MI reported by Klébesz et al. (2012) did not homogenize to a
370 glass during heating. In addition, the chemical composition of Type II MI reported by Klébesz et
371 al. (2012) and the basaltic RMI of this study show that the compositions of these MI can be

372 derived by mixing various proportions of melt with an An-rich feldspar and the host
373 clinopyroxene. This observation implies that basaltic RMI are overheated MI that became
374 enriched in clinopyroxene component as a result of overheating and/or the MI trapped a feldspar
375 inclusion along with the silicate melt. This interpretation is further supported by the fact that the
376 inclusion compositions are not in equilibrium with their host. In addition, RMI with anomalously
377 high Mg concentrations are usually smaller than 20 μm (Table 2 in Deposit Item-02). In order to
378 minimize H_2O loss during heating, some MI may have been heated too quickly to maintain
379 equilibrium. Therefore, if the small MI are hosted in a mineral containing larger MI that were
380 observed during the heating experiment, then the smaller MI might have homogenized at a
381 temperature that was lower than the temperature from which the crystal was quenched, and this
382 MI would have therefore been overheated. Based on these observations, we conclude that the
383 different MI compositions do not represent small scale heterogeneities, but rather that basaltic
384 RMI, feldspar RMI and high-P RMI and also Type II MI reported by Klébesz et al. (2012) all
385 trapped mineral phase(s) along with silicate melt in various proportions and which, in some
386 cases, were overheated during microthermometry. This interpretation is supported by Cl, S, and
387 F versus trace elements trends. The solid phase was often An-rich feldspar but in some cases
388 apatite was trapped with the melt, implying that clinopyroxene, apatite, An-rich feldspar and
389 melt were coexisting at the time that the MI were trapped. Therefore, it is likely that only Type I
390 RMI are representative of the melt from which the clinopyroxene crystals grew. Consequently,
391 only Type I MI compositions are compared with data from the literature to investigate the origin
392 of the nodules.

393 Compositions of MI in various host phases from nodules from different eruptions of Mt.
394 Somma-Vesuvius have been compiled from the literature (Fig. 4). Unfortunately, data are only

395 available for nodules from the 79 AD and younger eruptions. MI in syenite nodules and skarns
396 from the 472 AD eruption (Fulignati and Marianelli 2007; Fulignati et al. 2001) have
397 significantly different compositions than any other MI reported in the literature as well as the MI
398 of this study. Fulignati et al. (2001) interpreted nodules from the 472 AD eruption to represent
399 samples that were broken off of the magma chamber-carbonate wall rock interface and
400 transported to the surface during the eruption. In addition to the highly differentiated phonolitic
401 MI, Fulignati et al. (2001) also found complex chloride-carbonate and hydrosaline melt
402 inclusions, as well as unmixed silicate-salt melt inclusions. Compositions of MI in skarns from
403 the 1944 eruption (Fulignati et al. 2004) do not show such extreme compositions as those from
404 the 472 AD eruption, but still differ from the compositions of MI from cumulate nodules. MI
405 from skarns of the 1944 eruption tend to have lower SiO₂ and MgO content, but higher Al₂O₃,
406 MnO, Na₂O and Cl contents. In addition, hypersaline FI are commonly associated with the MI.
407 The clinopyroxene host in skarns has higher Al₂O₃ content, usually above 7 wt%, compared to
408 clinopyroxenes from the juvenile rocks (Fulignati et al. 2004). The clinopyroxene in this study
409 has significantly lower Al₂O₃ content, usually less than 6 wt%, lacks complex hydrosaline and
410 chloride-carbonate inclusions, and the RMI in this study show compositions similar to MI in
411 cumulate nodules rather than those in skarns. Consequently, the nodules studied here are not
412 thought to represent an environment near the carbonate wall rock, contrary what was previously
413 assumed (Kl ebeszt et al. 2012). However, this does not exclude the possibility that these nodules
414 represent samples of the crystal-mush zone near the magma conduit walls.

415 Kl ebeszt et al. (2012) concluded that the petrographic features of nodules are consistent with
416 a crystal mush origin, but it is unclear whether these nodules represent the same magma that was
417 erupted during the sustained column phase of the Sarno (PB) eruption or if they crystallized from

418 a melt associated with an older eruption, but were ejected later, during the Sarno eruption. In
419 order to answer this question, Type I RMI were compared to bulk rock compositions of juvenile
420 eruptive products of Mt. Somma-Vesuvius (Fig. 5).

421 Type I RMI show a continuous trend towards higher $\text{CaO}/\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ when plotted against other
422 indicators of magma evolution (Fig. 5a-e). The least magnesian Type I RMI generally fit within
423 the general trend defined by the Mt. Somma-Vesuvius rocks, whereas the Type I RMI with more
424 primitive compositions (up to about 8 wt% MgO) overlap or show a trend similar to recent
425 Vesuvius volcanics. The recent Vesuvian volcanic rocks define compositional groupings at
426 $\text{MgO} > \sim 4$ wt% and $\text{CaO}/\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3 > \sim 0.6$, as has already been recognized by Danyushevsky and
427 Lima (2001) and Marianelli et al. (1999). According to their interpretations, these rocks do not
428 reflect true melt compositions, but rather represent accumulations of clinopyroxene crystals.
429 Hence, these volcanic rocks represent magmas formed by mixing of evolved melts and various
430 amounts of clinopyroxene crystals inherited from the cumulate layers (Danyushevsky and Lima
431 2001; Marianelli et al. 1999). The similarities between the trends defined by these volcanics and
432 the Type I RMI of this study support the interpretation that the observed compositional trends are
433 caused by incorporating varying proportions of clinopyroxene component into the melt due to
434 MI overheating. However, there are still some important compositional features that cannot be
435 explained by overheating.

436 As seen on plots for K_2O and MgO vs. $\text{CaO}/\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ (Fig. 5c-d), it is not possible to account
437 for the disagreement in compositions of the least MgO-rich RMI in clinopyroxene compared to
438 the whole rock trend of the Sarno (PB) and younger eruptions of the first mega-cycle by
439 overheating, regardless of the amount of clinopyroxene component added to the MI by
440 overheating. In other words, the compositions of the most representative (least MgO-rich) RMI

441 in this study are more enriched in MgO, K₂O, TiO₂ and P₂O₅ compared to any known
442 compositions of volcanic rocks from the Sarno (PB) eruption or any other eruptions from the
443 first mega-cycle. The same phenomenon can be observed with trace element systematics (Fig.
444 5e-g). More specifically, the compositions of MI from the nodules are more enriched in Sc, V, Cr
445 and Ni but depleted in Sr, Y, Zr, Ba and Ce compared to the bulk rock compositions of the Sarno
446 (PB) and younger volcanics of the first mega-cycle. In fact, the compositions of the least
447 magnesian RMI of this study are similar to the compositions of lava rocks from the older Somma
448 (pre-Sarno) activity. Danyushevsky and Lima (2001) reported that these pre-Sarno (PB) rocks
449 can be divided into two groups based on composition of MI hosted in clinopyroxene. The first
450 group has a composition similar to rocks of the first and second mega-cycles (low K-group),
451 while the second group shows high KO₂ and SiO₂ and low Na₂O contents (high-K group). In
452 most cases, the least magnesian compositions of MI in this study overlap with the compositions
453 of the low-K group of older Somma rocks. This overlap is best illustrated by the major elements,
454 but most of the trace elements also show similar behavior (Fig. 5). However, the concentration of
455 some of the trace elements (e.g., Y, Sm, Nd, Eu) spans a wide range and geochemical trends are
456 not well defined.

457 Despite the wide scatter of the trace element concentrations, the host clinopyroxene crystals
458 in the studied nodule are interpreted to have crystallized from a magma associated with the early
459 Somma activity, prior to the Sarno (PB) eruption, and not from the magma that was erupted
460 during the sustained column phase of the Sarno (PB) eruption. This, however, does not
461 necessarily mean that the entire nodule crystallized from the same magma. Clinopyroxene
462 composition is sensitive to changes in the conditions of crystallization, such as P, T or the melt
463 composition. The simultaneous increase in alumina and HFSE and REE with decreasing MgO is

464 characteristic of normal fractional crystallization. In addition to trends consistent with normal
465 fractionation, no zoning was observed, making it unlikely that the clinopyroxenes in the nodule
466 are xenocrysts. Therefore, the compositions of type I RMI are interpreted to represent melts
467 trapped at various stages during the formation of the nodule.

468 The origins of the skarns and cumulate nodules are well constrained, but little information is
469 available concerning the origin of sub-effusive type nodules (see above). Although the origin of
470 the nodules in this study cannot be determined with certainty, their presence in the Sarno (PB)
471 eruption indicates that the magma erupted during the Sarno (PB) eruption came from the same
472 (or deeper) magma chamber(s) that fed earlier eruptions. The ascending magma accidentally
473 entrained older, possibly already solidified, rock fragments. If the interstitial liquid had not yet
474 solidified, it would have quenched into glass, as is observed in the cumulate nodules (e.g.,
475 Hermes and Cornell 1978).

476 **Pressure and temperature of formation of the nodule**

477 One of the goals of this research was to estimate the formation conditions of the nodules, and use
478 this information to constrain the depth of magma chamber(s) during the early history of the Mt.
479 Somma-Vesuvius volcanic system. The volatile content of the melt trapped in MI is pressure
480 dependent; therefore, the volatile concentration can be used to estimate the minimum trapping
481 pressure assuming a volatile-silicate melt solubility model (e.g., Papale et al. 2006). In addition,
482 formation temperatures may also be estimated using clinopyroxene and clinopyroxene-silicate
483 melt thermobarometers.

484 The model of Papale et al. (2006) requires as input the composition of the melt, including
485 H₂O and CO₂ concentrations, temperature, and oxidation state. The model calculates the
486 pressure at which the melt would be saturated in these volatiles for the input conditions. If the

487 melt were volatile saturated at the time of MI trapping, then the calculated pressure indicates that
488 actual trapping pressure; if the trapped melt was volatile-undersaturated, the calculated pressure
489 represents a minimum trapping pressure. Evidence for volatile saturation was not observed in the
490 samples of the Sarno (PB) eruption (absence of FI coexisting with MI). For the calculation we
491 assumed the average composition of Type I RMI, a temperature of 1250°C, and oxidation states
492 defined by $\text{FeO} = \text{FeO}_{\text{tot}} * 0.8$ (Fig. 6). The MI showing the maximum CO_2 content suggest a
493 pressure ~300 MPa, but most of the Type I RMI show pressures between 50 and 100 MPa. It is
494 important to emphasize again that the pressures calculated represent minimum trapping pressures
495 as we observed no evidence to suggest that the MI trapped volatile-saturated melts..

496 Compositions of MI and their host clinopyroxenes were used to estimate the formation
497 conditions for the NLM1-1a nodule using the model of Putirka (2008). Putirka (2008) includes
498 the previously published models of Putirka et al. (1996, 2003) as well as newer models. As
499 discussed above, MI may have become enriched in their host clinopyroxene component as a
500 result of overheating. Published models are unable to correct for overheating, and only those MI
501 that had compositions closest to the equilibrium composition with their host were used.
502 According to Putirka (2008), one way to test for equilibrium is to compare the Fe-Mg exchange
503 coefficient [$K_D(\text{Fe-Mg})^{\text{cpx-liq}}$] calculated from the MI and its host clinopyroxene composition to a
504 constant value of 0.28 ± 0.08 derived from 1,245 experimental observations. Because the
505 exchange coefficient can vary from 0.04-0.68, with a roughly normal distribution (Putirka 2008),
506 18 MI-host pairs where the Fe-Mg coefficient was lower than 0.40 were used here. Applying the
507 various thermobarometer models to the selected MI-host pairs, the temperature can be
508 constrained with reasonable certainty, but the pressure varies within wide ranges (Table 3). The
509 model of Putirka et al. (1996) predicted a temperature between 1043-1246 °C, with an average

510 value of 1186 °C. This same model predicts pressures of 120-1630 MPa, with an average of 610
511 MPa, and with 10 out of 18 pairs between 400-800 MPa. The accuracy of the thermobarometer
512 for a single pair is reported to be at least ± 140 MPa and ± 27 °C, and probably ± 100 MPa and \pm
513 15 °C when averaged over multiple pairs (Putirka et al. 1996). The model of Putirka et al. (2003)
514 estimated temperatures of 980 to 1309 °C, with an average of 1152 °C. The estimated pressure
515 ranges from -280 to 1160 MPa, and 11 out of 18 estimates are between 600 and 1000 MPa. The
516 average estimated pressure is 760 MPa, not including the two negative pressures. The standard
517 error of the pressure estimate is 170 MPa, and for temperature the standard error is 33 K (Putirka
518 et al. 2003). Several newer thermobarometers were also developed by Putirka (2008). Most of
519 these require the input of the H₂O content of the liquid (i.e., the H₂O content of the MI). These
520 equations were not used because the H₂O content in most cases was not measured and, when it
521 was, it was very low (≤ 0.15 wt%) and it is unclear whether it is representative or not. H₂O might
522 have been lost from the MI during the heating experiments or as a result of hydrogen diffusion
523 during the time the MI resided in the magma before eruption (e.g, Danyushevsky et al. 2002;
524 Lloyd et al. 2013; Severs et al. 2007). Considering that the duration of each heating experiment
525 was similar, the positive correlations between H₂O and Tq and Mg# of Type I RMI suggests that
526 H was significant H₂O loss did not occur during heating experiments.

527 Putirka (2008) also developed a thermobarometer based on clinopyroxene composition only.
528 A large number (212) of clinopyroxene compositions (several analyses from each crystal,
529 obtained by EPMA) were used to constrain the pressure and temperature of formation based on
530 this model. The temperature estimate is in good agreement with the results given by the
531 previously mentioned thermometers. The estimated temperature of the clinopyroxenes from this
532 study varies between 1019-1366 °C, with an average of 1184 °C. The pressure varies widely,

533 from 160 to 2480 MPa. Over half of the estimates fall between 400 and 800 MPa, with an
534 average of 780 MPa. The standard error of estimate for pressure and temperature is ± 310 MPa
535 and ± 58 °C, respectively (Putirka 2008). In summary, model calculations suggest that
536 clinopyroxene likely crystallized at slightly under 1200 °C. Unfortunately, the thermobarometer
537 models that are available do not constrain the formation pressure of the nodule with high
538 precision. Recognizing these limitations, we conclude that the NLM1-1a nodule most likely
539 formed at ≥ 400 MPa, corresponding to a depth of at least 11 km. This depth is consistent with a
540 minimum depth of formation calculated based on the H₂O-CO₂ contents of RMI, and this depth
541 is not improbable considering our understanding of the plumbing system of Mt. Somma-
542 Vesuvius, as described below.

543 The magma feeding system beneath Mt. Somma-Vesuvius consists of three main magma
544 storage levels, the two deepest of which are probably long-lived reservoirs (Piochi et al. 2006b).
545 Isotopic, MI and FI data (Belkin and De Vivo 1993; Belkin et al. 1985; Cioni 2000; Fulignati et
546 al. 2004; Lima et al. 2003, 2007; Marianelli et al. 1999; Piochi et al. 2006b) indicate a shallow
547 reservoir at <6 km, which typically hosts the magmas producing the plinian and sub-plinian
548 eruptions (De Vivo et al. 2010). However, Webster et al. (2012) emphasized that significant
549 concentrations of F, Cl and S can greatly influence the solubility of H₂O and CO₂; hence,
550 geobarometers based on these latter two volatile species may not adequately constrain the
551 pressure conditions, and would underestimate the equilibrium pressure. A deeper magma
552 chamber that supplies the interplinian eruptions was detected at about 8-12 km, and the deepest
553 reservoir is located at >15 km (Piochi et al. 2006b). The deep structure of the plumbing system
554 of the volcanic complex is supported by geophysical evidence as well (De Gori et al. 2001; De
555 Natale et al. 2001, 2006; Nunziata and Costanzo 2010; Nunziata et al. 2006). A low velocity

556 layer is recognized at ~15-35 km depth, which has been interpreted as the deep root for the
557 shallow crustal magma chambers (De Gori et al. 2001; De Natale et al. 2001, 2006; Nunziata et
558 al. 2006).

559 Thermobarometry results suggest that the PB-Sarno (PB) eruption was fed from magma
560 chambers that are deeper than the magma chambers that supposedly supplied the other plinian
561 eruptions (e.g., 79 AD or Avellino). This is in partial agreement with the findings of Landi et al.
562 (1999), who also predicted that a deep magma chamber fed the Sarno (PB) eruption, but from
563 slightly shallower depths of about 9-12 km. Due to the large variations in the estimated
564 pressures, it cannot be stated with certainty whether a deeper reservoir already existed beneath
565 Mt. Somma-Vesuvius prior to the Sarno (PB) eruption, or if the samples came from the same
566 reservoir that fed the main, “plinian phase” (Landi et al. 1999) of the Sarno (PB) eruption.

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Implications

569 Mt. Somma-Vesuvius is located in a densely populated area of southern Italy, with many
570 hundreds of thousands of people living in the “red” zone surrounding the volcano (e.g., Barnes
571 2011). Even though it is currently in a dormant state, the volcano is well known for its several
572 plinian eruptions, including the infamous 79 AD eruption that destroyed Pompeii and other
573 nearby towns, and a future violent eruption cannot be excluded. Reducing uncertainty associated
574 with risk assessment requires not only continuous monitoring of the system but also a good
575 understanding of the eruption history and the evolution of the plumbing system of the volcanic
576 complex. Results presented here extend our knowledge of the geochemical conditions associated
577 with eruptions at Mt. Somma-Vesuvius to earlier eruptive events that preceded the 79 AD event,
578 and thus contribute to our understanding of the longer-term history of this volcano. Importantly,

579 our results suggest that plinian eruptions may be fed from magma sources that are deeper than is
580 generally assumed and this, in turn, has important implications for interpreting geophysical data
581 from the perspective of predicting future explosive (plinian) eruptions.

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Figure Captions

860 **Figure 1.** Variation diagrams of representative major and trace elements in clinopyroxene from
861 nodule NLM1-1a from the Sarno (Pomici di Base) eruption of Mt. Somma-Vesuvius (Italy). a)
862 Spider diagram of clinopyroxene compositions normalized to primitive mantle. Trace element
863 concentrations determined by LA-ICP-MS. b) Cr vs MgO, c) CaO/Al₂O₃ vs. MgO, and d) Al₂O₃
864 vs, MgO. Error bars in panels b), c), and d) indicate the average standard deviations. Major
865 element concentrations of panels b), c), and d) were determined by EPMA, Cr was determined
866 by LA-ICP-MS.

867 **Figure 2.** Composition of MI hosted in clinopyroxene from sample NLM1-1a plotted on the total
868 alkali silica diagram (Le Bas et al. 1986). All data recalculated to 100% anhydrous. Average
869 estimated standard deviation is smaller than the size of the symbols. Data were obtained by
870 EPMA. Grey fields represent MI data from Klébesz et al. (2012).

871 **Figure 3.** Composition of MI hosted in clinopyroxene from sample NLM1-1a. a) MgO vs. CaO,
872 b) MgO vs. TiO₂, c) MgO vs. La, d) 1000/Sr vs. Ba/Sr. Dashed lines indicate mixing between
873 end-members. Error bars on panels b) and c) indicate the average standard deviation. All data
874 recalculated to 100% anhydrous. Major and minor element concentrations of panels a), b) and c)
875 were determined by EPMA, trace element concentrations of panel d) by LA-ICP-MS.

876 **Figure 4.** Comparisons between the compositions of Type I RMI (this study) and compositions of
877 MI in skarn and cumulate nodules from the literature (Fulignati and Marianelli 2007; Fulignati et
878 al. 2001, 2004; Hermes and Cornell 1981; Lima et al. 2003, 2007). a) CaO/Al₂O₃ vs. MnO, b)
879 CaO/Al₂O₃ vs. MgO, c) CaO/Al₂O₃ vs. SiO₂. Error bars indicate the average standard deviation.
880 All data recalculated to 100 % anhydrous. MI data representative of skarn and cumulate nodules
881 from Mt. Somma-Vesuvius are shown by grey fields. Data of this study were obtained by
882 EPMA.

883 **Figure 5.** Comparison of compositions of Type I RMI in clinopyroxene from sample NLM1-1a
884 with bulk rock compositions of juvenile eruptive rocks from Mt. Somma-Vesuvius. a)
885 CaO/Al₂O₃ vs. SiO₂, b) CaO/Al₂O₃ vs. Na₂O, c) CaO/Al₂O₃ vs. K₂O, d) CaO/Al₂O₃ vs. MgO, e)
886 CaO/Al₂O₃ vs. Ba, f) and g) K₂O/Ba vs. Sr/Zr. Bulk rock data, indicated by grey fields, are from
887 the literature (see text). All data recalculated to 100% anhydrous. Average estimated standard
888 deviations are smaller than the size of the symbols. On panel g) full, dashed and dotted lines
889 indicate the compositional trend of the bulk rocks of the third, second and first mega-cycles,
890 respectively. Major and minor element concentrations were determined by EPMA, trace element
891 concentrations by LA-ICP-MS.

892 **Figure 6.** H₂O-CO₂ systematics of RMI from this study. The isobars were calculated using the
893 H₂O-CO₂-silicate melt solubility model by Papale et al. (2006). For the calculation, we assumed

894 the average composition of Type I RMI for the melt, a temperature of 1250°C, and redox
895 conditions controlled by $\text{FeO} = \text{FeO}_{\text{tot}} * 0.8$. Note that the maximum pressure estimated for Type I
896 RMI plots close to the 300 MPa isobar. This pressure is considered a minimum trapping pressure
897 due to the effect of overheating and absence of volatile saturation. Error bars indicate the average
898 standard deviation. Volatile compositions were obtained by SIMS.
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Table 1. Representative analyses of clinopyroxene from sample NLM1-1a

Sample:	cpx165	cpx153	cpx151	cpx143 (B)	cpx143 (C)	cpx140	cpx110	cpx05	cpx117	cpx116	cpx159	cpx139	cpx150
SiO ₂	49.98(17)	48.00(17)	50.63(20)	49.46(20)	51.08(20)	49.12(26)	50.89(20)	49.85(20)	49.84(20)	49.81(20)	49.76(17)	50.38(20)	48.28(20)
TiO ₂	1.10(3)	1.22(3)	0.93(3)	1.18(3)	0.89(3)	1.51(5)	0.75(2)	0.76(2)	1.10(3)	1.03(3)	1.18(3)	1.33(3)	1.61(4)
Al ₂ O ₃	4.90(5)	5.07(5)	4.63(5)	6.11(6)	3.91(5)	6.37(8)	3.84(4)	4.72(5)	4.47(5)	4.49(5)	4.79(5)	5.45(6)	6.40(6)
FeO	7.61(13)	8.15(13)	6.59(12)	7.03(12)	6.59(12)	8.32(19)	6.66(12)	6.38(11)	7.94(14)	7.92(14)	7.55(13)	7.63(13)	8.11(13)
MnO	0.20(3)	0.15(3)	0.16(3)	0.20(4)	0.17(3)	0.16(5)	0.17(3)	0.12(3)	0.13(3)	0.22(4)	0.20(4)	0.19(3)	0.18(4)
MgO	14.09(10)	13.87(10)	14.53(10)	13.80(9)	14.73(10)	13.18(13)	15.12(11)	14.77(11)	13.99(10)	14.13(10)	13.95(10)	13.86(10)	12.93(9)
CaO	22.05(12)	21.05(12)	21.85(11)	21.65(11)	22.23(11)	21.31(15)	22.40(12)	22.74(12)	22.04(12)	22.08(12)	21.48(12)	21.83(11)	21.70(11)
Na ₂ O	0.36(2)	0.38(2)	0.32(2)	0.32(2)	0.28(2)	0.44(4)	0.26(2)	0.25(2)	0.33(2)	0.34(2)	0.33(2)	0.35(2)	0.35(2)
Total	100.37	97.97	99.70	100.00	100.12	100.46	100.21	99.79	99.87	100.09	99.26	101.12	99.66
Sc	126(155)	104(160)	109(163)	119(161)	116(163)	125(163)	123(144)	116(132)	126(141)	126(155)	108(164)	117(159)	138(191)
V	461(8)	455(10)	396(11)	373(10)	430(10)	483(10)	449(10)	448(8)	493(8)	353(9)	389(11)	435(9)	507(12)
Cr	699(7)	252(9)	1203(10)	604(9)	456(9)	381(8)	1025(8)	291(7)	190(8)	651(7)	209(9)	541(8)	878(10)
Ni	81(4)	97(4)	93(4)	72(4)	102(4)	100(4)	107(4)	86(4)	82(4)	85(5)	86(4)	94(4)	77(4)
Rb	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.7(28.1)	-	-	-
Sr	92(2)	92(2)	84(2)	83(3)	93(3)	93(2)	88(2)	110(2)	94(2)	83(3)	85(3)	89(3)	90(3)
Y	28.5(2.7)	34.8(2.8)	18.8(2.9)	27.3(3.8)	23.0(3.8)	40.4(2.9)	24.9(2.5)	36.9(2.0)	41.3(2.3)	29.6(3.5)	29.0(3.5)	30.0(2.8)	34.3(2.8)
Zr	91(2)	93(2)	52(2)	79(2)	62(2)	138(2)	70(3)	101(1)	120(2)	83(1)	80(2)	85(1)	120(1)
Nb	0.4(4.5)	0.5(4.9)	-	0.4(5.4)	0.2(5.4)	0.5(5.0)	0.3(4.0)	0.6(3.4)	0.5(3.8)	0.6(3.8)	0.4(4.6)	0.4(4.8)	0.5(5.7)
Ba	0.4(2.0)	1.0(2.0)	0.2(1.4)	4.7(1.5)	0.2(1.5)	0.6(1.6)	0.5(1.5)	8.9(1.4)	0.4(1.6)	1.0(1.6)	0.2(2.4)	0.3(1.9)	0.4(1.6)
La	8.7(1.2)	8.7(2.5)	5.4(3.1)	7.3(2.4)	6.6(2.4)	11.3(1.8)	6.9(1.9)	13.5(1.1)	11.5(1.7)	7.6(2.9)	7.8(1.8)	8.4(2.5)	10.4(2.1)
Ce	30.6(0.8)	33.1(1.6)	20.9(1.9)	26.7(1.9)	21.9(1.9)	37.8(1.3)	23.8(1.2)	42.4(1.0)	39.1(1.1)	26.0(1.3)	28.5(1.5)	30.9(1.6)	37.5(2.4)
Nd	30.7(2.5)	32.7(2.4)	20.9(2.5)	27.2(2.8)	22.3(2.8)	40.7(2.7)	23.8(2.4)	40.4(1.7)	41.1(1.7)	28.2(2.8)	27.9(2.1)	31.4(2.9)	37.9(2.9)
Sm	9.5(1.5)	10.0(1.9)	5.8(1.6)	8.7(2.3)	6.8(2.3)	11.7(2.0)	7.5(1.1)	11.9(1.2)	12.0(0.9)	8.8(1.4)	9.0(1.1)	10.0(1.9)	10.4(1.6)
Eu	2.0(1.4)	2.2(1.3)	1.2(1.9)	2.0(2.2)	1.7(2.3)	2.7(1.8)	1.8(2.1)	2.6(1.4)	2.9(1.9)	1.8(1.9)	2.1(1.3)	2.1(2.1)	2.5(2.3)
Yb	2.2(1.2)	2.7(1.7)	1.4(1.6)	2.2(1.8)	1.4(1.9)	3.0(1.6)	2.0(0.9)	3.1(1.0)	3.4(1.2)	2.6(1.4)	1.9(1.9)	2.9(1.0)	2.9(1.2)
mg#	0.82	0.83	0.82	0.80	0.82	0.77	0.86	0.88	0.81	0.83	0.79	0.78	0.78
En	41	41	43	41	43	40	43	42	41	41	41	41	39
Wo	46	45	46	47	46	46	46	47	46	46	46	46	47
Fs	13	14	11	12	11	14	11	10	13	13	13	13	14

mg# = Mg/(Mg+Fe²⁺); En, Wo, Fs, enstatite, wollastonite, ferrosilite in mol% of clinopyroxene; -, below detection limit; major and minor elements are in wt%, trace elements are in ppm. Major and minor elements were determined by EPMA, trace elements by LA-ICP-MS. Estimated standard deviation (e.s.d.) is indicated in parentheses.

Table 2. Composition of representative RMI in clinopyroxene

Sample	Fsp or fsp-bearing MI		Sample	Basaltic RMI					Sample	High-P RMI		
	cpx134p2_A	cpx157_A		cpx05_A2	cpx901_A	cpx116_B	cpx05_C	cpx123p1_B		cpx129_A	cpx118p1_D	cpx129_C
SiO ₂	48.55(24)	50.40(24)	SiO ₂	48.61(24)	50.30(25)	47.23(23)	46.33(23)	51.24(24)	SiO ₂	39.17(19)	43.76(22)	44.07(22)
TiO ₂	0.10(3)	0.11(3)	TiO ₂	0.95(4)	0.67(3)	1.21(5)	1.93(8)	0.87(4)	TiO ₂	1.04(4)	1.40(5)	1.14(4)
Al ₂ O ₃	32.26(19)	29.40(11)	Al ₂ O ₃	14.07(12)	16.88(15)	10.54(9)	11.78(10)	12.63(12)	Al ₂ O ₃	6.01(5)	8.63(8)	10.25(9)
FeO	0.71(7)	0.92(7)	FeO	6.71(17)	5.56(14)	8.46(21)	9.73(24)	6.07(16)	FeO	7.46(18)	8.30(20)	7.40(18)
MnO	-	0.03(4)	MnO	0.24(10)	0.06(3)	0.18(8)	0.26(11)	0.12(4)	MnO	0.25(10)	0.21(9)	0.25(11)
MgO	0.04(2)	0.04(2)	MgO	7.55(11)	6.43(10)	11.36(17)	9.51(14)	8.52(10)	MgO	9.24(14)	10.47(15)	9.49(14)
CaO	16.42(14)	13.56(12)	CaO	16.32(18)	14.82(16)	19.20(21)	16.48(18)	15.74(13)	CaO	25.69(28)	18.57(20)	21.52(24)
Na ₂ O	1.84(6)	3.18(8)	Na ₂ O	1.30(4)	1.52(5)	1.18(4)	1.41(4)	2.04(7)	Na ₂ O	0.82(3)	2.27(7)	1.06(3)
K ₂ O	0.44(3)	0.37(2)	K ₂ O	1.77(3)	2.88(5)	0.92(2)	1.54(3)	0.89(3)	K ₂ O	0.38(1)	0.49(1)	0.75(1)
P ₂ O ₅	0.08(4)	0.05(4)	P ₂ O ₅	0.47(5)	0.49(5)	0.04(0)	0.17(2)	1.07(9)	P ₂ O ₅	8.26(82)	5.29(53)	3.88(38)
Total	100.44	98.06	Total	97.98	99.60	100.32	99.15	99.18	Total	98.32	99.39	99.80
Ab	16	29	CaO/Na₂O	13	10	16	12	8	CaO/Na₂O	31	8	20
An	81	69	(CaO/Na₂O)corr						(CaO/Na₂O)cor	13	3	5
Or	3	2	Sc	73(239)	56(323)	52(178)	65(267)		Sc	109(338)	96(268)	79(320)
Sc	-	-	V	326(14)	255(20)	323(10)	533(15)		V	465(22)	469(17)	409(21)
V	-	-	Cr	62(11)	63(16)	540(8)	109(13)		Cr	248(19)	325(12)	198(18)
Cr	-	-	Ni	62(7)	72(7)	73(5)	54(7)		Ni	76(11)	-	-
Ni	-	141(6)	Rb	69(40)	70(49)	90(32)	57(42)		Rb	-	12(44)	14(49)
Rb	-	-	Sr	726(4)	1005(5)	319(3)	464(4)		Sr	200(5)	163(4)	638(4)
Sr	1752(5)	1393(4)	Y	23.8(5.6)	15.4(5.7)	21.9(4.0)	28.7(4.1)		Y	51.4(5.7)	41.9(5.8)	59.9(5.4)
Y	-	-	Zr	99(2)	70(3)	83(2)	94(3)		Zr	131(3)	130(2)	116(3)
Zr	-	-	Nb	6.9(7.0)	5.7(10.2)	22.8(4.4)	37.6(6.9)		Nb	2.4(9.5)	4.9(8.0)	2.7(8.9)
Nb	-	-	Ba	778(3)	1542(3)	279(2)	499(3)		Ba	58(3)	138(2)	389(3)
Ba	439(3)	145(3)	La	19.9(2.2)	13.2(3.7)	10.4(3.4)	15.7(2.2)		La	55.6(4.5)	17.2(2.2)	74.1(4.3)
La	5.3(3.7)	7.5(4.4)	Ce	44.8(2.1)	31.2(3.0)	32.1(1.4)	43.4(2.0)		Ce	127.9(2.2)	52.8(1.7)	169.1(2.1)
Ce	7.6(2.9)	21.3(1.9)	Nd	34.8(2.6)	23.6(5.7)	20.4(3.2)	39.3(3.5)		Nd	98.6(5.9)	42.4(4.3)	105.0(5.5)
Nd	-	6.9(3.4)	Sm	7.5(2.7)	8.2(3.4)	10.2(1.6)	6.7(2.4)		Sm	20.1(4.0)	14.9(2.6)	23.6(3.8)
Sm	-	-	Eu	2.5(2.1)	1.6(3.2)	1.5(2.2)	1.8(2.8)		Eu	4.7(4.0)	3.2(3.0)	5.9(3.7)
Eu	-	-	Yb	1.7(1.3)	-	2.0(1.7)	3.6(2.0)		Yb	3.6(2.5)	2.7(1.4)	4.2(2.4)
Yb	-	-	CO₂	1717 ± 240	283 ± 40			362 ± 51	CO₂	179 ± 25		
			H₂O	0.15 ± 0.01	0.14 ± 0.01			0.04 ± 0.00	H₂O	0.12 ± 0.01		
			F	980 ± 49	482 ± 24			350 ± 17	F	768 ± 38		
			S	103 ± 6	47 ± 3			31 ± 2	S	41 ± 2		
			Cl	652 ± 156	513 ± 123			129 ± 31	Cl	350 ± 84		
			Tq	1256		1251	1256	1250	Tq	1241	1245	1241
			host mg#	0.82	0.83	0.85	0.85	0.82	host mg#	0.85	0.88	0.83

(continued)

Table 2. Composition of representative RMI in clinopyroxene (continued)

Sample	Type I RMI												
	cpx165_B	cpx153_E	cpx151_D	cpx143_B	cpx143_C	cpx140_D	cpx110_B	cpx05_B	cpx117_A	cpx116_A	cpx159_A	cpx139_C	cpx150_A
SiO ₂	49.99(24)	52.31(24)	53.98(27)	50.14(26)	52.39(27)	52.32(27)	52.43(26)	51.57(26)	51.78(26)	48.74(24)	50.77(24)	52.50(27)	51.97(27)
TiO ₂	1.29(5)	1.11(4)	0.93(4)	1.20(4)	1.04(4)	1.31(5)	0.98(4)	1.19(5)	1.39(5)	1.37(5)	1.34(5)	1.21(5)	1.32(5)
Al ₂ O ₃	11.80(11)	15.17(13)	15.66(13)	13.03(12)	15.43(13)	15.65(13)	11.99(11)	11.80(10)	16.14(14)	14.08(12)	14.70(13)	12.87(12)	15.39(13)
FeO	7.85(18)	6.91(17)	5.38(15)	7.02(17)	6.12(16)	7.37(18)	6.66(16)	8.39(21)	8.43(21)	12.27(30)	8.67(19)	7.05(17)	7.10(17)
MnO	0.11(5)	0.09(5)	0.08(4)	0.13(4)	0.10(5)	0.13(5)	0.21(9)	0.22(9)	0.18(7)	0.16(7)	0.14(4)	0.12(5)	0.09(4)
MgO	7.90(10)	4.21(7)	5.24(8)	8.04(10)	4.88(8)	4.56(8)	8.43(12)	8.35(12)	4.35(6)	5.39(8)	5.03(8)	7.09(9)	4.81(8)
CaO	13.30(12)	6.63(9)	8.03(10)	12.82(12)	8.43(10)	8.00(9)	13.10(14)	13.85(15)	8.49(9)	9.77(11)	8.32(10)	12.18(12)	7.22(9)
Na ₂ O	1.76(6)	3.02(8)	2.27(7)	1.85(6)	2.15(7)	2.77(8)	1.74(5)	1.53(5)	2.62(8)	2.65(8)	2.67(8)	2.13(7)	3.18(8)
K ₂ O	3.53(6)	6.65(9)	6.57(9)	4.21(7)	6.52(9)	6.09(8)	3.85(6)	3.47(6)	5.24(9)	4.14(7)	5.65(8)	4.00(7)	6.21(8)
P ₂ O ₅	0.68(7)	0.72(7)	0.73(8)	0.66(7)	0.83(8)	0.98(8)	0.72(7)	0.37(4)	0.74(7)	0.72(7)	0.80(8)	0.57(7)	0.89(8)
Total	98.22	96.82	98.85	99.10	97.87	99.18	100.12	100.73	99.34	99.30	98.10	99.72	98.18
CaO/Na ₂ O	8	2	4	7	4	3	8	9	3	4	3	6	2
Sc	74(186)	-	-	-	-	-	53(208)	55(371)	45(215)	75(254)	-	70(151)	-
V	336(10)	262(24)	342(29)	332(13)	301(13)	302(18)	275(14)	371(21)	251(12)	371(15)	316(18)	322(9)	306(20)
Cr	224(9)	46(21)	547(26)	331(11)	140(11)	59(15)	130(11)	151(18)	25(12)	505(12)	57(15)	210(8)	67(15)
Ni	78(5)	-	-	-	84(5)	-	67(5)	-	62(7)	-	201(7)	59(4)	-
Rb	126(51)	232(112)	62(287)	180(117)	229(120)	167(180)	219(33)	135(59)	237(33)	72(46)	125(74)	168(84)	218(172)
Sr	405(2)	544(5)	289(6)	374(4)	576(4)	582(4)	510(3)	452(6)	544(3)	282(5)	388(5)	386(3)	500(4)
Y	27.1(3.2)	20.8(6.7)	28.7(7.7)	24.4(4.8)	18.0(4.9)	27.3(5.3)	22.8(3.5)	35.4(5.7)	23.7(3.5)	31.9(5.7)	41.5(5.9)	27.5(2.7)	20.0(4.5)
Zr	173(2)	188(4)	111(7)	187(3)	174(3)	238(4)	133(4)	161(4)	190(3)	144(2)	265(3)	174(1)	229(2)
Nb	25.0(5.4)	40.6(11.8)	11.1(16.6)	27.7(6.8)	38.5(7.0)	44.4(9.2)	18.9(5.8)	22.8(9.6)	37.2(5.8)	18.2(6.2)	27.4(7.7)	24.4(4.6)	40.6(9.1)
Ba	1292(2)	2076(5)	660(4)	1265(2)	2115(2)	2095(3)	1464(2)	1271(4)	1967(2)	822(3)	1246(4)	1356(2)	2052(3)
La	34.0(1.4)	45.3(6.1)	19.2(8.5)	32.8(3.0)	41.6(3.1)	52.1(3.3)	33.6(2.8)	41.2(3.1)	51.8(2.6)	25.1(4.8)	41.0(3.0)	35.3(2.4)	49.4(3.4)
Ce	74.6(1.0)	85.3(3.8)	46.1(5.1)	72.4(2.4)	74.4(2.4)	100.4(2.3)	71.2(1.7)	76.2(2.8)	97.6(1.6)	62.1(2.0)	85.3(2.6)	71.7(1.5)	89.2(3.9)
Nd	41.6(3.0)	40.0(5.8)	31.2(6.8)	37.8(3.5)	33.4(3.6)	45.5(4.9)	38.1(3.5)	37.2(4.8)	46.7(2.7)	43.5(4.5)	54.5(3.6)	38.3(2.8)	41.4(4.6)
Sm	8.8(1.8)	9.9(4.5)	-	7.2(2.9)	4.8(3.1)	7.7(3.6)	8.0(1.6)	14.2(3.3)	8.6(1.4)	10.1(2.3)	9.0(1.8)	9.0(1.8)	10.6(2.6)
Eu	2.5(1.7)	3.1(3.2)	-	2.2(2.8)	1.8(2.9)	2.6(3.3)	1.9(3.1)	2.5(3.9)	2.4(2.9)	2.6(3.1)	3.9(2.1)	2.2(2.0)	1.5(3.6)
Yb	2.2(1.4)	-	-	-	-	2.1(3.0)	1.7(1.3)	4.5(2.8)	1.8(1.8)	2.3(2.4)	-	2.4(0.9)	2.8(2.0)
CO ₂	382 ± 53	295 ± 41	220 ± 31		266 ± 37	297 ± 42	220 ± 31	268 ± 38	497 ± 70	216 ± 30	645 ± 90		272 ± 38
H ₂ O	0.07 ± 0.00	0.04 ± 0.00	0.04 ± 0.00		0.05 ± 0.00	0.05 ± 0.00	0.08 ± 0.00	0.12 ± 0.01	0.19 ± 0.01	0.14 ± 0.01	0.08 ± 0.00		0.04 ± 0.00
F	1951 ± 98		1364 ± 68					2211 ± 111	914 ± 46	4262 ± 213	1812 ± 91		
S	70 ± 4	100 ± 6	49 ± 3		77 ± 5	106 ± 6	155 ± 9	132 ± 8	150 ± 9	129 ± 8	111 ± 7		101 ± 6
Cl	647 ± 155	686 ± 165	547 ± 131		872 ± 209	912 ± 219	2546 ± 611	1185 ± 284	2226 ± 534	1710 ± 410	903 ± 217		843 ± 202
Tq	1229	1225	1224	1241	1241	1233	1255	1256	1240	1251	1224	1243	1213
host mg#	0.82	0.83	0.82	0.80	0.82	0.77	0.86	0.88	0.81	0.83	0.79	0.78	0.78

mg# = Mg/(Mg+Fe²⁺); Ab, An, Or, albite, anorthite and orthoclase in mol% of feldspar; -, below detection limit; (CaO/Na₂O)corr, CaO/Na₂O ratio after subtracting apatite; Tq, quenching temperature; host mg#, mg# of the host clinopyroxene; major and minor elements and H₂O are in wt%, all others in ppm. Major and minor elements were determined by EPMA, trace elements by LA-ICP-MS, volatile elements by SIMS. Estimated standard deviation (e.s.d.) is indicated in parentheses. In case of SIMS analyses, the estimate of the measurement error is shown.

Table 3. Predicted formation conditions of clinopyroxene calculated by different geothermobarometers

	Putirka et al. (1996)	Putirka et al. (2003)	Putirka (2008)
<i>T</i>	1043-1246 °C ± 27 °C	980-1309 °C ± 33 °C	1019-1366 °C ± 58 °C
<i>T_{average}</i>	1186 °C ± 15 °C	1152 °C ± 33 °C	1184 °C ± 58 °C
Pressure	120-1630 MPa ± 100 MPa	-280-1160 MPa ± 170 Mpa	160-2480 kMPa ± 310 Mpa

Figure 1.

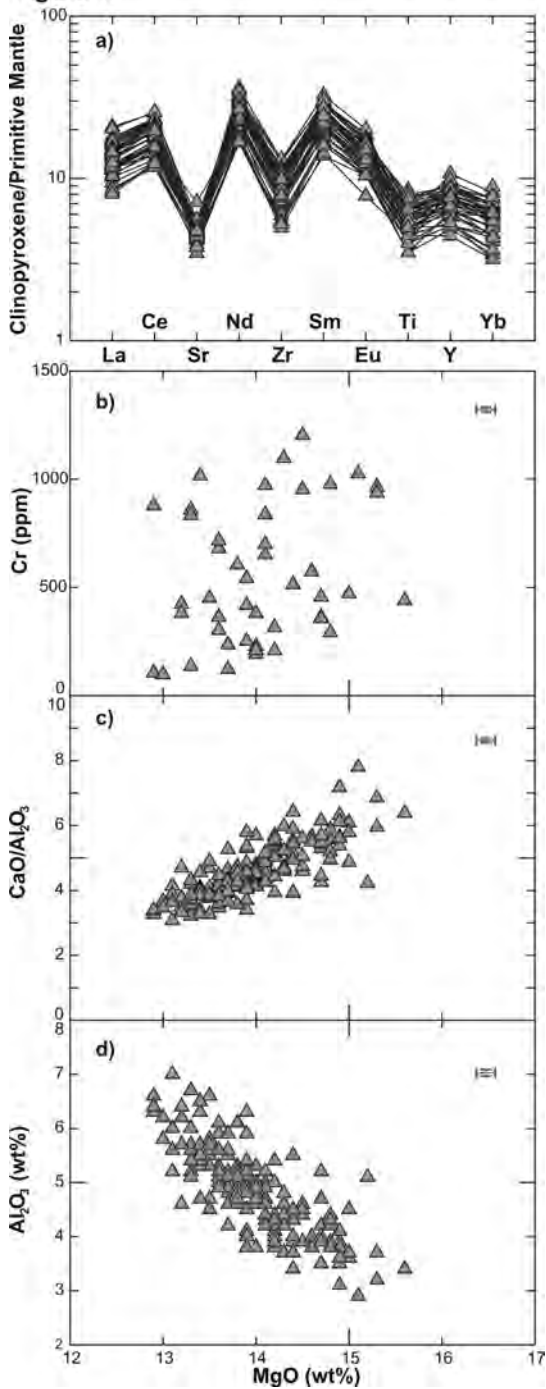


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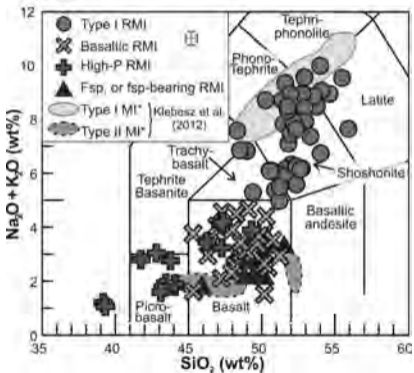


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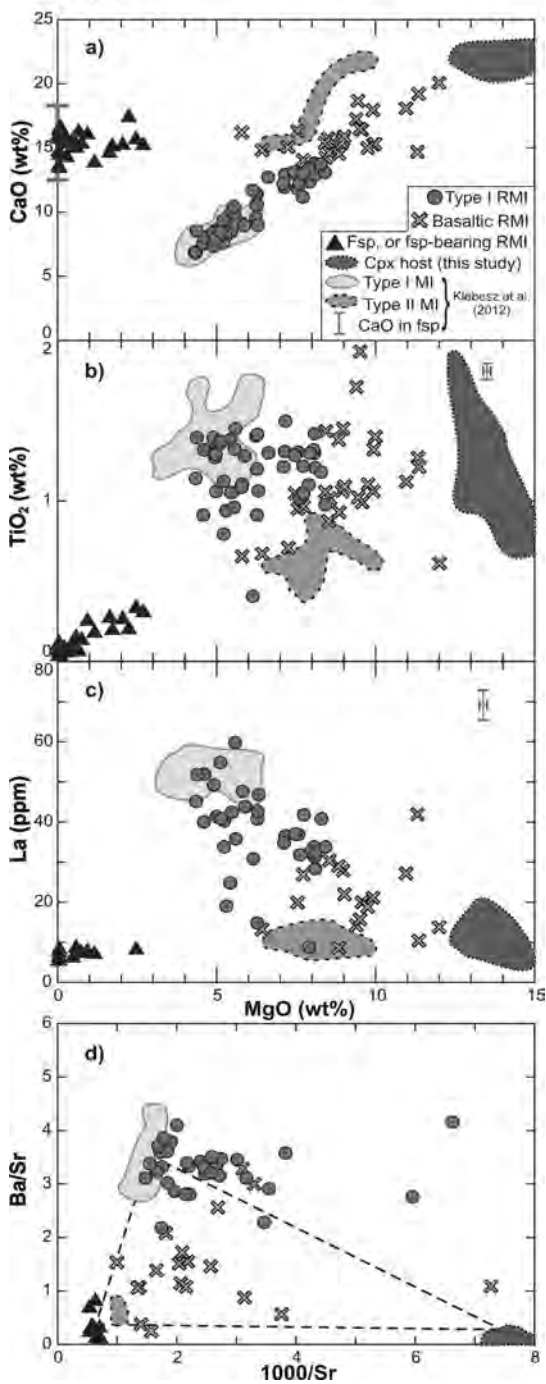


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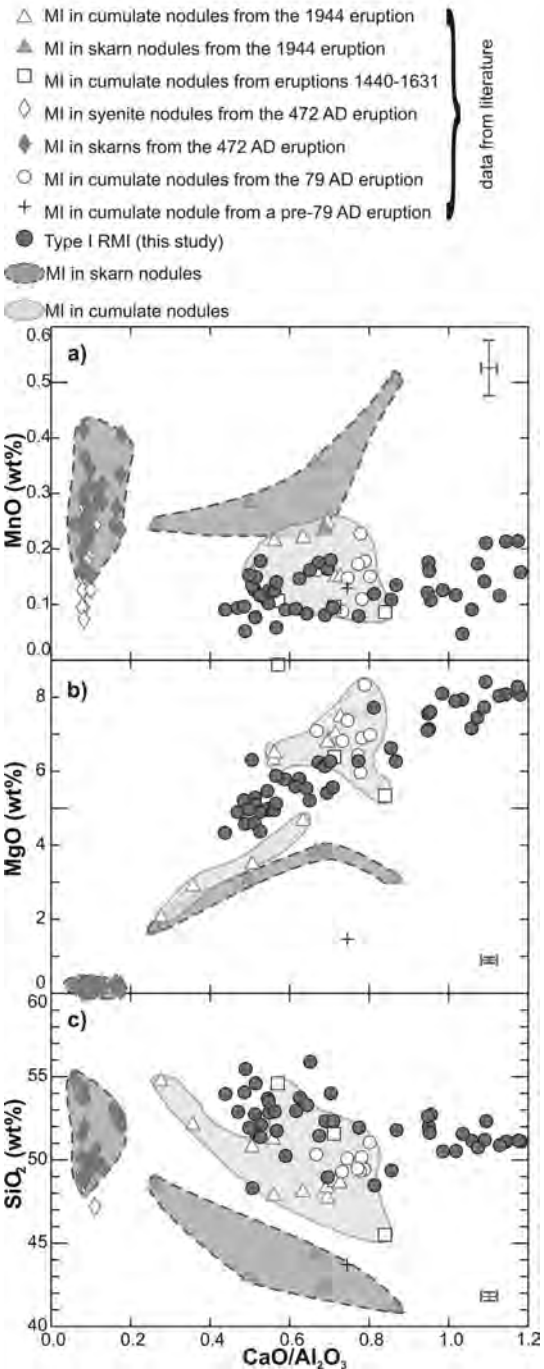


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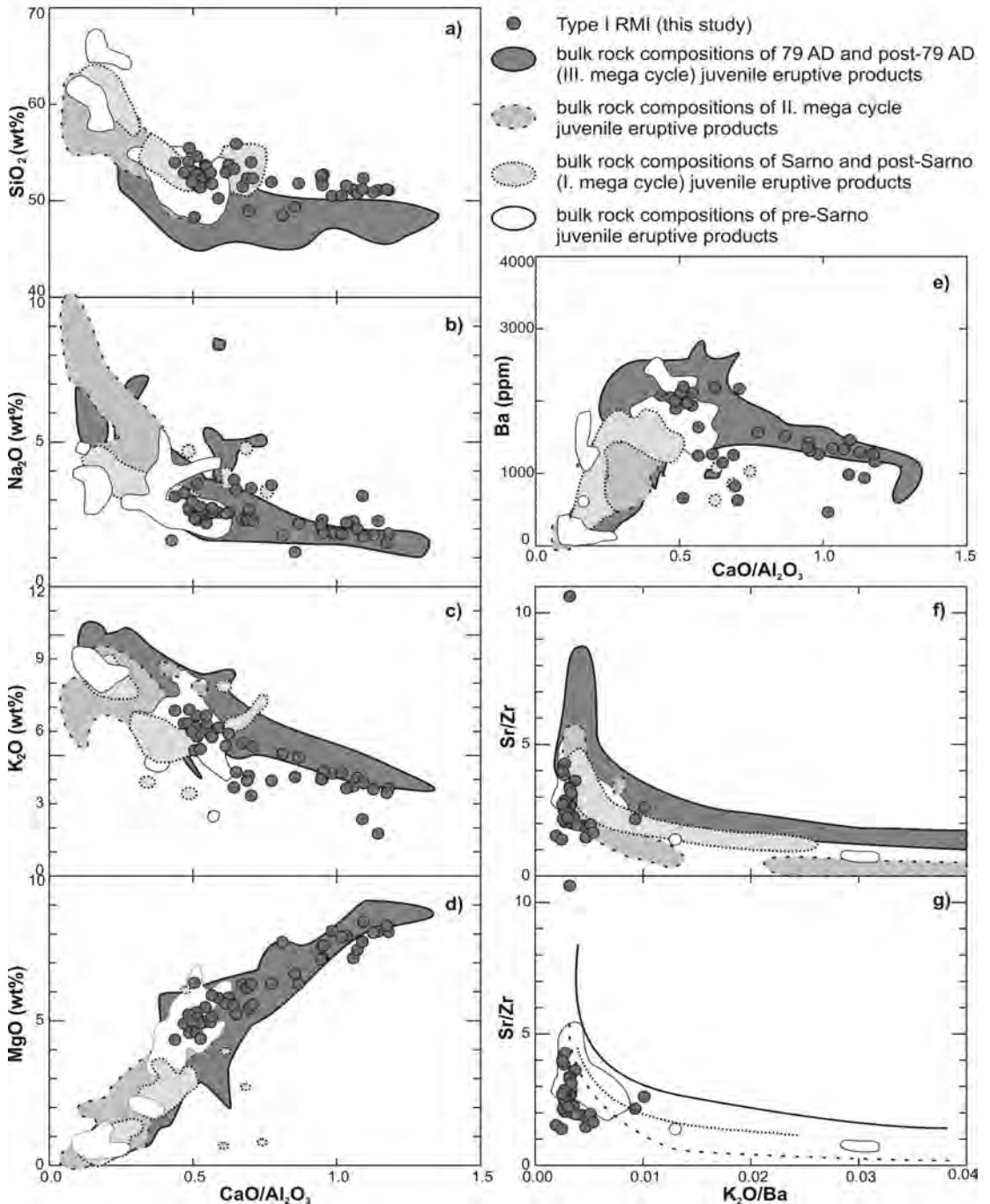


Figure 6.

