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3    **Experiments and models on H$_2$O retrograde solubility in volcanic systems**

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**Abstract**

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26      We present a suite of 36 high-temperature (900-1100°C), experiments performed on

27      10 x 10 mm unjacketed cores of rhyolitic obsidian from Hrafntinnuhryggur, Krafla, Iceland

28      under atmospheric pressure. The obsidian is bubble- and crystal-free with an $H_2O$ content of

29      0.11(4) wt%. The obsidian cores were heated above the glass transition temperature ($Tg$),

30      held for 0.25-24 hours, then quenched. During each experiment the volume of the samples

31      increased as $H_2O$ vapor-filled bubbles nucleated and expanded. Uniquely, the bubbles did not

32      nucleate on the surface of the core, nor escape, conserving mass during all experiments.

33      Within each isothermal experimental suite, the cores increased in volume with time until they

34      reached a maximum, after which continued heating caused no change in volume (measured

35      by He-pycnometry). We interpret these $T$-$t$ conditions as representing thermochemical

36      equilibrium between the melt and exsolved vapor. These experiments are modeled to recover

37      the 1-atmosphere, temperature-dependent solubility of water in the rhyolite melt. Our results

38      define the magnitude of retrograde solubility ($-7.1 \times 10^{-3}$ wt% $H_2O$ per 100°C) and provide

39      estimates of the enthalpy and entropy of the $H_2O$ exsolution reaction ($\Delta H° = 17.8$ kJ mol$^{-1}$,

40      $\Delta S° = 107$ J K$^{-1}$ mol$^{-1}$). We conclude by modeling the implications of retrograde solubility for

41      the glass transition temperatures ($Tg$) of cooling volcanic systems at pressures relevant to

42      volcanic conduits and the Earth's surface. All volcanic systems cool; the effects of retrograde

43      solubility are to allow melts to rehydrate by $H_2O$ dissolution as they cool isobarically, thereby

44      depressing $Tg$ and expanding the melt window. Ultimately, the melt is quenched at higher

45      $H_2O$ contents and lower temperatures where the isobaric retrograde solubility curve 'catches'

46      the evolving $Tg$.

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49      transition, retrograde

## Introduction

51      All magmas contain dissolved volatiles that strongly affect the thermodynamic and

52   physical properties of melt and dramatically influence magmatic and volcanic processes

53   (Hess and Dingwell, 1996; Navon et al. 1998; Mysen and Acton 1999; Sparks et al. 1999;

54   Zhang 1999; Gardner et al. 2000; Di Matteo et al. 2004; Zhang et al. 2007; Giordano et al.

55   2008). Exsolution of a fluid phase, where the dissolved volatile reaches supersaturation,

56   affects the bulk properties of magmas, drives many volcanic eruptions, and controls the

57   duration, magnitude, rate and style of eruption (e.g., effusive vs. explosive) (Webster and

58   Botcharnikov 2011; Watkins et al. 2012). Water ($H_2O$) is the most prevalent, and usually the

59   dominant, volatile species in volcanic systems making the low pressure solubility limits of

60   $H_2O$ in silicic melts particularly relevant to many eruptive and post-eruptive volcanic

61   processes (Sparks et al. 1999; Castro et al. 2005; Robert et al. 2008; Kennedy et al. 2010).

62      There are a plethora of $H_2O$ solubility studies on melts at pressures >50 MPa

63   (Burnham and Jahns 1962; Silver et al. 1990; Holtz et al. 1995; Dixon et al. 1995; Carroll and

64   Blank 1997; Dingwell et al. 1997; Moore et al. 1998; Yamashita 1999; Holtz et al. 2000;

65   Newman and Lowenstern 2002; Papale et al. 2006; Zhang et al. 2007). There are, however,

66   surprisingly few lower pressure (i.e., ≤5 MPa) studies of $H_2O$ solubility in silicate melts

67   (Friedman et al. 1963; McMillan et al. 1986; Silver et al. 1990; Liu et al. 2005). This lack of

68   data has been pointed out by numerous authors, including Zhang (1999), Liu et al. (2005),

69   Robert et al. (2008) and Kennedy et al. (2010), yet the data gap persists. A compilation of all

70   1-atmosphere, $H_2O$ solubility data is presented in Appendix A and comprises 28 values

71   deriving from three experimental studies. These experiments are particularly important for

72   two reasons. Firstly these pressures correspond to a wide variety of volcanic environments

73   (conduits, domes, ignimbrites, lavas) and thus a range of processes (welding,

74   sealing/permeability collapse and flow dynamics). Secondly, these low pressure solubility

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75    experiments are critical for constraining models of $H_2O$ solubility in silicate melts as a

76    function of temperature, pressure, and composition (Yamashita 1999; Di Matteo et al. 2004;

77    Liu et al. 2005).

78        Here we present a series of 0.1 MPa, high-temperature ($T$) experiments wherein cores

79    of obsidian are heated isothermally above the glass transition temperature ($Tg$) for controlled

80    amounts of time. These experiments allow progressive bubble nucleation and growth with

81    time until thermochemical and mechanical equilibria between the melt and the exsolved $H_2O$

82    fluid are reached (Figures 1 and 2). Thus, each series of isothermal experiments illustrates the

83    rates of volatile exsolution (volume change) and, ultimately, defines the solubility of $H_2O$ in

84    the rhyolite melt at atmospheric pressure (Figure 2a). These experiments have been used to

85    create a thermodynamic model for the 0.1 MPa temperature dependence of $H_2O$ solubility

86    (retrograde solubility). Furthermore, we explore the effects of retrograde solubility on $Tg$:

87    resorption of $H_2O$ during cooling depresses $Tg$ thereby expanding the 'melt window' in

88    volcanic systems and causing melts to quench at higher $H_2O$ contents and lower

89    temperatures.

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91                                **Materials**

92        Our experiments use rhyolitic obsidian from Hrafntinnuhryggur, Krafla, Iceland as

93    described and chemically analyzed by Tuffen and Castro (2009) (Table 1). Their work

94    showed the Hrafntinnuhryggur obsidian sampled from a <0.05 $km^3$ outcrop to have a uniform

95    major element chemical composition independent of a diversity of outcrop textures and

96    colors. They reported, based on synchrotron Fourier transform infrared spectroscopy (FTIR)

97    analysis, that the $H_2O$ contents across the outcropping of Hrafntinnuhryggur obsidian varied

98    from 0.11-0.37 wt%. They argued that the variability in $H_2O$ content was a reflection of

99    differences in post-eruption quench paths (Tuffen and Castro 2009).

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100    All experimental cores for this study derive from a single ~1000 cm$^3$ block of pristine

101    obsidian donated by Hugh Tuffen (pers comm 2008). The starting glass is texturally isotropic

102    and homogeneous except for minor occurrences of cryptic flow-banding, and is essentially

103    bubble- and crystal-free. Table 1 is a comparison of the anhydrous bulk chemical

104    composition of the obsidian block measured by X-ray fluorescence to the electron

105    microprobe (EMP) measured composition of Tuffen and Castro (2009). Independently, we

106    have measured the water content of the obsidian block by FTIR (see below) to be 0.11(4)

107    wt% and adopt this value for our work below (Table 1).

108    Cylindrical sample cores of obsidian (10 x 10 mm) were drilled, trimmed, and the

109    ends ground to make parallel polished end-surfaces (Figure 1). The cores were then dried at

110    ~150°C for 2 to 24 hours prior to measuring core volume ($V_i$) with precision digital calipers

111    ($\sigma \pm$ ~2x10$^{-3}$ cm$^3$) and mass ($m_i$) with a high precision balance ($\sigma \pm$ ~0.006 mg) (Tables 2).

112    The average density ($\rho_i$) of the starting material, based on 43 cores, was 2.394 g cm$^{-3}$ ($\sigma \pm$

113    ~0.024 g cm$^{-3}$). The porosity ($\phi_i$) of the initial obsidian cores is below detection.

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115                                    **Experimental Methods**

116    A total of 36 high-temperature, 1-atmosphere experiments were performed on cores

117    of obsidian in a Nabertherm HTC 08/15 furnace (Figure 2b). Each experiment had a

118    prescribed dwell time ranging from 0.25-24 hours at a constant experimental temperature

119    ($T_{exp}$) varying from 900-1100°C (Figure 2b; Table 2). Our range of $T_{exp}$ is >100°C above the

120    calorimetric glass transition temperature ($Tg$ = 690°C ± 20) of the Hrafntinnuhryggur

121    obsidian as determined by Castro et al. (2008). The obsidian cores were placed in a furnace

122    on a pre-heated ceramic base thereby ensuring that the obsidian cores were heated uniformly

123    (i.e., the ceramic plate did not behave as a heat sink). Two independent K-type

124    thermocouples were used to monitor the internal temperature of the furnace and showed the

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125    temperature to be ±5-10°C of its set temperature. Once the prescribed dwell time was reached

126    the ceramic plate and vesiculated obsidian core were removed from the furnace allowing

127    them to quench to below the nominal $Tg$ (i.e., 690°C) within 10-15 seconds (measured by

128    thermocouples). There was no change in the geometry of the expanded glass cores during

129    cooling (Figure 1).

130         In order to prevent fracturing of the cores when they were introduced into the furnace

131    we modified our procedure for the high $T$ (>1000°C) suites of experiments. Specifically, the

132    cores were introduced into the furnace at lower temperatures and then heated slowly (5-

133    12.5°C min$^{-1}$) to $T_{exp}$. Replicate experiments involving isothermal heating at $T_{exp}$ vs. ramping

134    up to $T_{exp}$ produced cores with equivalent density indicating that the final vesiculation was a

135    product only of $T_{exp}$ and time.

136         We performed two other ancillary experiments. The first tested the influence of

137    sample dimensions and surface roughness on the vesiculation process and vesicle retention.

138    For this experiment (glass 4; Table 2) an angular chip of obsidian featuring smooth

139    conchoidal fracture surfaces was allowed to vesiculate using the same method described

140    above. Replicate $T$-$t$ experiments involving the obsidian chip and 2 sample cores produced

141    products having identical (± 0.01 g cm$^{-3}$) densities. We take this agreement to indicate that

142    the machined surfaces of the cores do not change the bulk behavior of the material by

143    facilitating $H_2O$ escape or enhancing vesiculation.

144         We also ran three reversed experiments at 950°C, 1000°C and 1050°C to test the

145    reproducibility of our results (e.g., AR-IK-34, AR-IK-47 and AR-IK-48). The reversed

146    experiments approached the final vesiculated state from lower and higher temperatures to test

147    that the state is path-independent. Samples were introduced at temperatures below $T_{exp}$, then

148    heated above $T_{exp}$ and allowed to vesiculate for 0.25-1 hours. Presumably at this point the

149    cores exsolved more $H_2O$ due to a decrease in solubility relative to $T_{exp}$. The cores were then

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150    cooled back down at a rate of 2-3°C min$^{-1}$ to $T_{exp}$ and allowed to dwell at $T_{exp}$ for 0.5-2.5

151    hours. The samples were removed and quenched as described above. The reversed

152    experiments have densities that differ by $\leq 0.1$ g cm$^{-3}$ from the 'unreversed' experimental

153    products taken from the equilibrium plateaus at 950°C, 1000°C and 1050°C (Table 2). Thus,

154    the final density of the sample is not greatly influenced by the $T$-path of the experiment, but

155    rather is dependent on $T_{exp}$ and dwell time. This, however, would not be valid for $T$-$t$ curves

156    in the growth regime because the slopes of the growth curves are different for different $T$'s,

157    and the total time would be an integrated path of one growth curve plus another (Figure 3).

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159                                    **Analytical Methods**

160    **Physical properties**

161            For each experimental run product we measured final mass ($m_f$) and volume ($V_f$)

162    (Table 2); volumes of the irregularly shaped swollen cores (Figure 1) were measured with a

163    Micromeritics AccuPyc II 1340 helium pycnometer having an analytical uncertainty $\pm$

164    0.04%. Masses were measured with a high precision balance ($\sigma \pm \sim 0.006$ mg). The final

165    density ($\rho_f$) of the materials was derived from these two measurements. The propagated

166    uncertainties on the calculated values of density, volume change ($\Delta V$), and porosity are

167    $\sim 6 \times 10^{-4}$ g cm$^{-3}$, 0.02 cm$^3$ and 1.38%, respectively and are corroborated by replicate

168    measurements.

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170    **XCT**

171            We selected a suite of undeformed samples and experimental run products for

172    imaging by X-ray computed tomography (XCT) and for parallel analysis of water contents by

173    FTIR. XCT 3D high-resolution images were acquired using a GE phoenix® v|tome|x s 240

174    micro-CT scanner at the Institute of Medical Engineering at the Technische Universitat

175   Munchen (IMETUM) facility, Germany using a high-power X-ray tube and a drx-250 rt

176   detector system. Experimental conditions: 1000 images for 360° (average of 3 single images,

177   one image skipped), exposure time: 333 ms, voltage: 80 kV, current: 130 µA, using a 0.2 mm

178   VA-steel filter.

179        The resulting set of radiographs was then used to generate a 3D image using the

180   inverse radon transformation (Deans, 2007); the resulting object has a 18.5 µm voxel size.

181   The resulting raw 2D and 3D TIFF images were then processed using ImageJ (Abramoff et

182   al. 2004; Schneider et al. 2012) to optimize contrast in the greyscale images (Figure 1). To

183   isolate bubble populations within the sample for further analysis, the individual datasets were

184   then segmented and analyzed using the Avizo® Fire program (version 8) by the FEI

185   Visualization Sciences Group. These analyses were used to calculate an average bubble

186   radius between all samples (0.322 mm; Appendix C) for subsequent internal pressure

187   calculations (see below).

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189   **FTIR**

190        Six samples, including the starting glass and glassy run products, were prepared as

191   100-330 µm-thick wafers and analyzed by FTIR for total water content at the Institute for

192   Research on Earth Evolution (IFREE) at the Japan Agency for Marine Earth Science and

193   Technology (JAMSTEC). Analyses were performed in the mid-IR region over 512 scans at a

194   resolution of 8 cm$^{-1}$ using a heated ceramic (globar) infra-red source, a Ge-coated KBr

195   beamsplitter and a liquid-nitrogen cooled $HgCdTe_2$ (MCT) detector. The wafers were placed

196   on an $H_2O$-free IR-invisible KBr window. Background analyses were taken through the

197   window, before the wafer of glass was positioned in the beam path to measure sample

198   spectra. The results are $H_2O$ contents averaged from eleven to sixteen individual 'spot tests'

199   on the starting material and five experimental products from the 900°C, 950°C, 1000°C,

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200    1050°C and 1100°C temperature suites (AR-IK-24, AR-IK-25, AR-IK-18, AR-IK-23, AR-

201    IK-31) (Table 3). $H_2O$ contents (wt%) were calculated using the height above a linear

202    baseline of the peak at 3550 cm$^{-1}$, a density for rhyolite of 2350 g l$^{-1}$ (Stevenson et al., 1994),

203    a molar absorption coefficient of 90 l mol$^{-1}$ cm$^{-1}$ for rhyolite (Hauri et al., 2002) and

204    thickness estimated from the peak at 1830 cm$^{-1}$ (following Miwa and Toramaru, 2013).

205    Thickness was not measured directly due to the fragility of the experimental products and the

206    difficulty of positioning the measuring needle on the analyzed spot due to the small areas of

207    glass between vesicles.

208         In addition, 2D micro-distributions in water content were measured in five samples

209    (Figure 4) including the starting material (AR-IK-UND) and four duplicated experimental run

210    products from the 1000°C experimental suite: BF-IK-16, heated for 0.5 hours to a final

211    porosity of 40.7%; BF-IK-2, heated for 1.5 hours to a final porosity of 57.6%; BF-IK-1,

212    heated for 2.5 hours to a final porosity of 62.0%; and BF-IK-3.5, heated for 6 hours to a final

213    porosity of 66.5% (Figure 4). Wafers of these samples were prepared to a thickness of 200-

214    330 μm and color contour FTIR spectroscopic images of the residual $H_2O$ content were

215    collected using the same set up as above and a liquid-nitrogen cooled Focal Plane Array

216    (FPA) MCT detector. The FPA MCT detector produces 350 x 350 μm images each made up

217    of 4096 spectra, giving a resolution of about 5.5 μm. Five to twenty of these images were

218    combined to produce mosaics covering larger areas (von Aulock et al., 2013). $H_2O$ contents

219    (wt%) were calculated from spectra as for the spot tests. Thus images of the 3550 cm-$^1$ peak

220    normalized by the 1830 cm$^{-1}$ peak, assuming constant density and molar absorption

221    coefficients (i.e., compositional homogeneity), are proportional to actual $H_2O$ concentration

222    and take into account any change in thickness across a wafer (von Aulock et al., 2014). It

223    cannot be ruled out that the apparent high-$H_2O$ concentration rims around the edge of bubbles

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224    are an artifact of the imaging associated with noise on the image spectra as a result of the

225    bubble edge.

<div align="center">**Results of High T Experiments**</div>

227         Exposure to temperatures above $Tg$ (900-1100°C) produces variably expanded

228    bubble-rich run products featuring smooth outer surfaces free of scalloping (Figure 1). The

229    high-$T$ experiments cause exsolution of volatiles in the obsidian because the Icelandic glasses

230    were initially quenched with water contents above their 1-atmosphere solubility limits. The

231    extent of exsolution of $H_2O$ fluid at constant $T$ is manifest by a change in volume (increased

232    porosity) that depends on the experimental dwell time and on the 1-atmosphere solubility of

233    $H_2O$ at that $T$ (Figure 1). The bubbles formed are assumed to be dominantly $H_2O$.

234         The range in $\Delta V$ is 0.02-1.78 cm$^3$ and is a direct indication of bubble formation and

235    growth (Table 2). Mass changes ($\Delta m$) between the starting core and final cooled experimental

236    product are small but quantifiable (0.19 to 2.26 mg) and are positively correlated to $\Delta V$

237    (Appendix B). We ascribe the mass loss to the escape of the exsolved $H_2O$ upon quenching as

238    a result of microfracturing in the cores (see Appendix B). The smooth exterior surfaces of the

239    cores and the bubble distributions illustrated by XCT (Figure 1) indicate that the bubbles

240    form and grow during the experiment but fail to perforate the core walls to degas. This fact

241    allows us to treat each experiment as a closed system where the original $H_2O$ is conserved

242    and partitioned between the bubbles and the residual melt. The corollary to this is that all

243    volume change is a direct proxy for the volumetric amount of volatile exsolution at 1-

244    atmosphere and $T$ in a fixed amount of time (Figure 3).

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246    **Porosity-time patterns**

247         Each isothermal suite of experiments shows a systematic increase in sample volume,

248    expressed as porosity ($\phi_f$), with increasing dwell time ($t$) until a maximum stable sample

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249    volume (e.g., porosity) is attained (Figure 2a, 3). We interpret the initial increase in sample

250    volume (the curvilinear portion in Figure 2a; 3) to be the kinetically controlled bubble

251    nucleation and growth regime and a response to an initial $H_2O$-oversaturation at 1 atm and

252    $T_{exp}$. The plateau in sample volume, denoted by the horizontal portion of the curves (cf. Fig.

253    2a; 3), marks the cessation of exsolution and bubble growth and is due to equilibrium being

254    reached. This fixed maximum porosity is indicative of the $H_2O$ solubility limit for that

255    temperature at 1 atm. In this way we use volume change as an expression of the amount of

256    $H_2O$ that is exsolved from the melt to achieve equilibrium. Thus, porosity is inversely

257    proportional to the equilibrium concentration of $H_2O$ in the glass.

258        The rate of change of sample volume ($v' = dV/dt$) and the time ($\Delta t_e$) to achieve the

259    equilibrium plateau depend on experimental temperature. Specifically, the value of $v'$ and $\Delta t_e$

260    are quantified by the slope and length of tangent lines to the curvilinear portions in Figure 3.

261    At higher temperatures sample volume increases rapidly ($v'$, steep slope) and the plateau is

262    reached in a short amount of time ($\Delta t_e$, e.g., 1-2 hours at 1050°C; Table 2, Figure 3). At lower

263    temperatures the bubble nucleation and growth rates are substantially slower (flatter slope)

264    and it takes longer to reach the equilibrium plateau (e.g., 20-25 hours at 900°C; Table 2,

265    Figure 3).

266        The variations in the porosity-time patterns show the relationship between bubble

267    growth rates and temperature and are reflections of the effect of temperature melt viscosity

268    ($\eta$). More importantly for this research, the final porosity value (i.e. plateau) of the $\phi_f$ - $t$

269    curves increases with experimental temperature, from ~42% at 900°C to ~70% at 1100°C

270    (Table 2, Figure 3). Thus the maximum porosity value is inversely proportional to $T$ and is a

271    qualitative expression of the retrograde solubility of $H_2O$.

272        Some of the longest-term experiments do show signs of partial collapse. For example,

273    in the 925°C suite of experiments (Figure 3b), the core volume is reduced by 10% in the 4

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274     hours of dwell time after reaching the equilibrium solubility limit. This additional time at $T_{exp}$

275     is enough to allow for some viscous relaxation of the sample, especially given the effect of

276     porosity on the effective viscosity of the core (Quane et al. 2009). A porosity of 50% can

277     cause a 10-fold decrease in the bulk viscosity of the core (from $10^{7.9}$ Pa s for the

278     unvesiculated melt to $10^{7.1}$ Pa s) thus decreasing the relaxation timescale of the vesicular core

279     and facilitating partial collapse. That said, not all cores experience collapse. The 1000°C suite

280     of experiments are stable for 13 hours; 7 hours after reaching the equilibrium plateau the

281     sample shows an apparent porosity decease of less than 2-3%.

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283     **FTIR H$_2$O images**

284          FTIR contour images were created for polished wafers cut from cores of starting

285     material and the run products of the 1000°C experiments held at $T_{exp}$ for 0.5, 1.5, 2.5 and 6

286     hours (Figure 4). A mosaic of H$_2$O contour images for the starting material shows a weak

287     (<0.01 wt%) variation of H$_2$O content, creating relatively 'water-rich' and 'water-poor' bands

288     100-200 μm in width (Figure 4a). Over short experimental dwell times, the banding has a

289     minor influence on bubble nucleation behavior and bubble distribution (Figure 1b,f),

290     however, with increasing dwell time the run products show homogeneous H$_2$O-distributions

291     (Figure 4b,c,d,e). This indicates that over the dwell time of the experiments the dissolved

292     H$_2$O is readily mobilized to produce a homogeneous distribution of residual H$_2$O.

293          As stated above, we attribute the high H$_2$O concentration rims to artifacts related to

294     the imaging process. To verify this assumption we have assessed the potential for diffusion-

295     limited resorption of H$_2$O from the bubbles to the melt during the quenching of the samples.

296     The relationship between diffusion coefficients ($D$), time ($t$) and diffusion length scale ($L_D$)

297     ($L_D = (4*D*t)^{0.5}$) suggests trivial (5-10 μm if $t$ = 15 s) effective diffusion length scales and

298     thus an insignificant amount of rehydration.

299       FTIR spot analyses of the starting material and experimental products at equilibrium

300     at 900°C, 950°C, 1000°C, 1050°C and 1100°C quantify the equilibrium concentration of $H_2O$

301     in the rhyolitic glass at 1 atm for these temperatures. These measurements show a change in

302     the $H_2O$ content of the residual glass with increasing $T_{exp}$ from an initial 0.114 wt%  (s.d.

303     0.013) to 0.098 wt% (s.d. 0.010), 0.087 wt% (s.d. 0.009), 0.093 wt% (s.d. 0.008), 0.090 wt%

304     (s.d. 0.006) and 0.108 wt% (s.d. 0.010) for 900°C, 950°C, 1000°C, 1050°C and 1100°C

305     respectively (Table 3).

306       The mosaics of 2D FTIR contour images are most useful for demonstrating the

307     homogeneous distributions of $H_2O$ in the run products. Unfortunately, the individual spot

308     analyses are not precise enough to quantify the changes in $H_2O$ contents. The lack of

309     precision is at least partly due to the complexity of measuring highly vesicular samples.

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**Calculated $H_2O$ contents in glasses**

312       In our analysis of the experimental data we assume that volume expansion of the

313     sample results only from bubble formation and expansion and that thermal expansion of the

314     melt  (potentially captured during quenching) can be neglected. This assumption is justified

315     because the maximum volume change predicted for the melt being heated to 1100°C is

316     0.65% (Bagdassarov and Dingwell, 1992), which is within our measurement uncertainties for

317     porosity (1.38%). Similarly, we ignore the potential slight variations in glass density caused

318     by different quench rates (nature vs. experiment; Vollmayr et al. 1996). Here, we use the

319     volume change ($\Delta V$; Figure 5a) to compute the total $H_2O$ exsolved from the melt at the

320     experimental conditions by determining the internal pressure of the bubbles ($P_i$) and using the

321     Redlich-Kwong equation of state to calculate the $H_2O$ vapor content in the bubble fraction.

322     We then compute the $H_2O$ content of the residual melt by difference, thereby establishing the

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323    1-atmosphere solubility of $H_2O$ in the rhyolite melt, and the $T$-dependence of the $H_2O$

324    solubility at 1-atmosphere.

325         We compute the internal pressure of the bubbles using a modified form of the

326    Rayleigh-Plesset equation:

327 $$P_i - P_e = \rho_m \left( r \frac{d^2 r}{dt^2} + \frac{3}{2} \left( \frac{dr}{dt} \right)^2 \right) + \frac{4\eta}{r} \frac{dr}{dt} + \frac{2\sigma}{r} \qquad \text{(Eq. 1)}$$

328    where $P_i$ is the pressure within the bubble (Pa), $P_e$ is the external pressure of the system (Pa),

329    $\rho_m$ is the density of the melt (kg m$^{-3}$), $r$ is bubble radius (m), $t$ is time (s), $\eta$ is melt viscosity

330    (Pa s) and $\sigma$ is the surface tension of the melt (N m$^{-1}$) (e.g., Sparks 1978; Barclay et al. 1995;

331    Toramaru 1995; Navon et al. 1998; Liu and Zhang 2000; Blower et al. 2001; Proussevitch

332    and Sahagian 2005). Some terms in Eq. 1 can be considered negligible under specific

333    conditions and eliminated. For the purposes of our calculations, we eliminate the terms for

334    inertial and viscous forces based on the following:

335        i) our experiments are isobaric and static, thus, $P_e$ is a constant $10^5$ Pa and inertial forces

336            (1st term) are negligible;

337        ii) viscous forces form an important resistance during bubble growth (Proussevitch and

338            Sahagian, 1998) but as the bubbles achieve their final equilibrium state viscous

339            forces become irrelevant and can be ignored (2nd term).

340    There are two situations where the surface tension term (3rd term; Eq. 1) dominates in the

341    calculation of internal pressure. The first is where bubbles are small and near the critical

342    radius for spontaneous growth (e.g., $<10^{-3}$ cm (Sparks 1978)) (Sparks 1978; Prousevitch et al.

343    1993; Barclay et al. 1995; Toramaru 1995; Liu and Zhang 2000). The second case is where

344    bubbles are no longer growing and have achieved their equilibrium size (Toramaru 1989,

345    1995). Given the negligible effects of inertial and viscous forces on the final distribution of

346    bubbles (e.g., on the equilibrium plateau) we calculate internal pressure from:

347 $$P_i = P_e + \frac{2\sigma}{r} \qquad \text{(Eq. 2)}$$

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348    Surface tension ($\sigma$) acts as a force that opposes an increase in the surface area of a

349    phase and, here, exists between the silicate melt and the supercritical fluid produced by

350    exsolution of dissolved $H_2O$. A recent review of surface tension data by Gardner and

351    Ketcham (2011) has shown a small $T$-dependence for melt-fluid $\sigma$ ($9x10^{-5}$ N m$^{-1}$ $°C^{-1}$). A

352    compilation of all published $\sigma$ values for hydrous (3.5-9.3 wt% $H_2O$) compositions from

353    basaltic andesite to rhyolite to phonolite also fell within the narrow range of 0.042-0.110 N

354    m$^{-1}$ (Mourtada-Bonnefoi and Laporte 1999, 2002, 2004; Bagdassarov et al. 2000; Mangan

355    and Sisson 2000, 2005; Gardner and Ketcham 2011; Gardner 2012; Gardner et al. 2013).

356    Conversely values for $\sigma$ increase dramatically from hydrous (0.042-0.110 N m$^{-1}$) to

357    anhydrous silicate melts (0.282-0.371 N m$^{-1}$) (Walker and Mullins 1981; Bagdassarov et al.

358    2000). Water appears to be more important than melt composition and temperature, therefore,

359    in lieu of published data at low water contents (i.e., <1 wt%) we used the average value for

360    all hydrous data (0.081 N m$^{-1}$). For this surface tension value, the calculated internal pressure

361    of bubbles ($P_i$) is 101828 Pa (Table 3) for an average bubble radius ($r$) of 0.322 mm (from

362    XCT imaging; Figure 1; Appendix C). The error in $P_i$ associated with the selection of values

363    for $\sigma$ and $r$ is small: a 3-fold increase or decrease in $r$ cause ~1% change in $P_i$. Similarly

364    using an anhydrous surface tension value of 0.3 N/m increases $P_i$ by ~1.5%.

365    Using this $P_i$ value, the initial number of moles of $H_2O$ in the glass of each sample

366    ($n_i$) (Table 3), the change in sample volume ($\Delta V$; Figure 5a) and the Redlich-Kwong equation

367    of state we calculate the moles of $H_2O$ vapor in the bubbles formed during each experiment

368    ($n_b$) using the following equation:

369    $$\frac{2\sigma}{r} + P_e = \frac{R\,T}{\frac{\Delta V}{n_b}-b} - \frac{a}{\sqrt{T}\,\frac{\Delta V}{n_b}\left(\frac{\Delta V}{n_b}+b\right)} \qquad \text{(Eq. 3)}$$

370    where $a$ and $b$ are constants that correct for the attractive potential of molecules and for

371    volume, respectively (Redlich and Kwong 1949), R is the universal gas constant and $T$ is

372    temperature in Kelvin (Table 3). Solving for $n_b$ we compute the number of moles of $H_2O$ in

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373    the residual glass ($n_r$) by subtracting $n_b$ from the number of moles of $H_2O$ in the core at the

374    start of the experiment ($n_i$) and then convert to a value of wt% $H_2O$ in the residual glass

375    (Table 3). The calculated residual water contents of the glass mirror the relative change in

376    sample volume with time and temperature (Figure 5). Minimum $H_2O$ values in each

377    temperature suite correspond to data that lie on the equilibrium plateau and decrease with

378    increasing temperature.

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380                                    **Discussion**

381    **Retrograde solubility: comparison to published models**

382          Figure 6a plots ln $x_{H2O}$ against reciprocal temperature for all experimental suites as

383    well as a linear model fitted to the data points that define our equilibrium plateaus (solid

384    symbols) from 900-1050°C (Figure 3a,b,c,d,e):

385                          ln $x_{H2O}$ = 1069.6/$T$ – 6.4637            (Eq. 4)

386     where $x_{H2O}$ is the mole fraction of water in the glass and $T$ is the experimental temperature

387    (K).   We have chosen to remove the 1100°C data point, which does not fall on the well-

388    defined linear trend. At 1100°C the time to equilibrium ($\Delta t_e$) competes with the viscous

389    relaxation timescale, effectively meaning the 1100°C is at the limit of the experimental-

390    window using this methodology. Even though the experimental $t$-window is small (2 hours;

391    Figure 3f) we suspect that we failed to capture the maximum volume expansion of the plateau

392    sample at this temperature.

393          Figure 6b shows our data and model against all published 0.1 MPa $H_2O$ solubility

394    data (Table A1) and the models produced by Newman and Lowenstern (2002), Liu et al.

395    (2005) and Zhang et al. (2007). Our data extend from 900-1100°C and are consistent with the

396    experimental data of Liu et al. (2005) over the same temperature range and down to 700°C.

397    In addition, our model, which estimates the magnitude of the 0.1 MPa of retrograde solubility

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398    at $\sim$ -7.1x10$^{-3}$ wt% $H_2O$ per 100°C from 700-1200°C (Figure 6b), fits not only our data, but

399    when extrapolated to temperatures below 700°C, also captures some of the data produced by

400    Liu et al. (2005). Our estimates of the magnitude of retrograde solubility agree well with

401    those predicted by the models of Zhang et al. (2007) and Liu et al. (2005)  ($\sim$ -7.8 x 10$^{-3}$ wt%

402    $H_2O$ per 100°C and $\sim$ -13.9 x 10$^{-3}$ wt% $H_2O$ per 100°C, respectively; Figure 6b). However,

403    the Zhang et al. (2007) model fails to capture both our data and the low pressure date of Liu

404    et al. (2005). The Newman and Lowenstern (2002) model agrees well with our data despite

405    being constrained by almost no experimental data at 0.1 MPa. On this basis, we are confident

406    that our data and model accurately capture the 0.1 MPa retrograde solubility within our

407    experimental window (900-1100°C) and at lower temperatures (i.e., 700-900°C). The

408    consistency in the data and the calculated values of retrograde solubility shown between the

409    Liu et al. (2005) model and our results suggests that the Liu et al. (2005) model is the best of

410    the multi-pressure models for (at least) low pressure situations.

411        Based on the empirical fit shown as Eq. 4 we have calculated the implied standard

412    state enthalpy and entropy values for the exsolution of $H_2O$ from the melt: $\Delta H° = 17.8$ kJ

413    mol$^{-1}$; $\Delta S° = 107$ J K$^{-1}$ mol$^{-1}$ (see Appendix D). The positive value of $\Delta H°$ shows that this

414    reaction is endothermic, allowing for slight decreases in system temperature with

415    vesiculation. Liu et al. (2005) derived similar exsolution enthalpy values (13.2-16.5 kJ mol$^{-1}$

416    at 0.1-11 MPa) and concluded that exsolution does not have a significant effect on the

417    temperature of the rhyolitic melt.

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419    **Retrograde solubility: The effect on *Tg***

420        Below, we have explored the wider implications of retrograde solubility for volcanic

421    processes. Figure 7 shows the calculated isobaric solubility curves for a rhyolite melt over a

422    range of pressures (0.1-40 MPa) as modeled by Liu et al. (2005). At constant temperature,

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423    $H_2O$ solubility is strongly controlled by and increases with pressure. Additionally, each

424    isobaric curve shows the increase in the solubility of water with decreasing temperature

425    (1000-400°C). At atmospheric pressure the effect is slight, as evidenced by the near vertical

426    slope of the isobaric curve from both models. However, at higher pressures the slopes of the

427    isobaric curves become increasingly negative. Ultimately the change in the negative slopes of

428    the $T$-$X_{H2O}$ curves maps out the change in the magnitude of retrograde solubility with

429    pressure. This shows that, as volcanic systems cool, the capacity for $H_2O$ dissolution in melts

430    increases substantially with increasing pressure, allowing for increasing melt rehydration.

431          Figure 7 also shows values of $Tg$ calculated for the Hrafntinnuhryggur rhyolitic melt

432    as a function of water content using the viscosity ($\eta$) model of Giordano et al. (2008) ($Tg \sim T$

433    where $\eta = 10^{12}$ Pa s). The addition of water to anhydrous melts causes a strong initial

434    reduction in $Tg$ but at higher water contents the rate of decrease in $Tg$ lessens (Hess and

435    Dingwell, 1996). The calculated glass transition curve cuts across the pressure dependent

436    water solubility curves at a high angle to create a series of [$T$-$X_{H20}$] intersection points. These

437    intersections mark the termination of isobaric $H_2O$ solubility curves for volcanic systems. As

438    the melt cools moving down the isobaric solubility curves, it redissolves magmatic volatiles,

439    causing the $Tg$ of the hydrated melt to decrease continuously, thereby, expanding the melt

440    (vs. glass) window. This effect of $H_2O$ content on $Tg$ creates a positive feedback loop, or

441    'chase scenario' where the decreasing $T$ of the system chases the falling $Tg$ (Figure 8 inset).

442    Ultimately, however, the decrease in $Tg$ with increasing water content (i.e., slope of $Tg$

443    curve) is insufficient to avoid intersection with the steep isobaric retrograde solubility curves

444    at volcanic to subvolcanic temperatures. Thus, during cooling the isobaric retrograde

445    solubility curve intersects the $H_2O$-dependent $Tg$ curve and the melt is quenched to a glass

446    (i.e., 'rehydration quench'; Figure 8 inset).

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447    At this point the $H_2O$ content is 'frozen in' corresponding to the $T$-$P$-$X_{H2O}$ coordinate

448    of the intersection; below the $Tg$ curve the predicted isobaric $H_2O$ solubility curves become

449    metastable extensions (dashed lines; Figure 7). The values defined by the intersection of the

450    solubility and $Tg$ curves are maximum $H_2O$ contents for dissolution of $H_2O$ fluid (solute) into

451    the silicate melt (solvent). This is because the melt solubility curves are for a solvent ($T_{melt}$ >

452    $Tg$) having a specific set of thermochemical and structural properties distinct from the

453    corresponding glass (<$Tg$).

454    The $Tg$ limitation on water solubility in silicate melt is, however, not relevant to

455    secondary, non-magmatic (re)hydration processes that operate at temperatures below $Tg$ (e.g.,

456    devitrification, perlitization, palagonitization), where glasses with substantially higher water

457    contents can be created (i.e., Anovitz et al. 2008). This lower temperature rehydration of

458    silicate glass is demonstrated serendipitously by the 550°C experiments of Liu et al. (2005)

459    which resulted in anomalously high, but reproducible, $H_2O$ contents. Liu et al. (2005)

460    recognized these values as a 550°C 'solubility' limit but, because the experiments were

461    below the glass transition curve, did not include these data in their $H_2O$ solubility (melt)

462    model. The mechanisms for hydration of volcanic glasses below $Tg$ are incompletely

463    understood but must be the result of alternative means of water dissolution (Anovitz et al.

464    2008; Giachetti and Gonnermann 2013).

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466    **Implications for volcanic processes**

467    The glass transition is an important limiting value for the temperature conditions at

468    which many volcanic processes take place. Above $Tg$, rates of nucleation, crystallization and

469    vesiculation are fast enough to significantly affect magmatic processes. Conversely, where

470    the $T$-$X_{melt}$ path of the melt intersects the $Tg$ of the melt, glass forms and many magmatic and

471    volcanic processes effectively cease.

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472     There are a variety of ways in which volcanic systems approach and intersect their

473     glass transition (Fig. 8; inset). Conventionally, volcanic systems can be cooled at rates faster

474     than they can vesiculate and crystallize to the point that the isochemical melt reaches its $Tg$ to

475     form glass (thermal quench). All volcanic systems exsolve gas as they rise to the Earth's

476     surface and the associated loss of $H_2O$ from the melt due to degassing can cause a rapid and

477     substantial rise in the $Tg$ of the melt thereby reducing the melt window (Fig. 8, inset). Where

478     the degassing-induced rise in $Tg$ intersects the melt temperature ($Tg = T_{melt}$) the melt

479     transitions to glass (degassing quench). The retrograde solubility of $H_2O$ provides a means of

480     expanding the melt field relative to the glassy state. In a wide range of volcanic systems

481     where cooling timescales are slow enough to facilitate $H_2O$ diffusion in silicate melts, the

482     melts have the opportunity to resorb $H_2O$ as they cool. The consequence of this is to reduce

483     the effective $Tg$ of the melt allowing for further uptake of $H_2O$ with cooling. Ultimately,

484     however, the reduction in $Tg$ with increasing $H_2O$ content is insufficient to avoid intersecting

485     the isobaric solubility curve where a rehydration quench of the **melt** occurs.

486     Figure 8 shows several potential cooling paths in a schematic volcanic system and

487     their effect on the final $H_2O$ content of the quenched melt, including: i) conventional thermal

488     quenching (A), and ii) slower cooling along the retrograde solubility curve until the glass

489     transition temperature curve is intersected (i.e., rehydration quench; $B_1$, $B_2$ and $B_3$). The

490     differences in the final $H_2O$ content and $Tg$ of the melt arising from thermal vs. rehydration

491     quenching increase substantially with increasing pressure.

492     Retrograde solubility mainly plays a role in volcanic systems where cooling is slow

493     enough to support vapor-melt equilibrium. For rehydration to occur the system must also

494     contain $H_2O$-rich fluids available for resorption. Highly efficient degassing of volcanic

495     systems (Sparks et al. 1999) would favor a degassing quench over rehydration quenching. We

496     have identified three volcanic environments where the retrograde solubility of $H_2O$ can play

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497     an important role, including: welding of pyroclastic deposits, flow of silicic lavas, and the

498     forensic recovery of fragmentation depths.

499          Recent studies of welding processes and timescales have emphasized the role $H_2O$

500     plays in inducing or prolonging welding (Friedman 1963; Sparks et al. 1999; Giordano et al.

501     2005; Grunder and Russell 2005; Keating 2005; Robert et al. 2008; Kolzenburg and Russell,

502     2014). Sparks et al. (1999) discussed the role of load $P$ in causing rehydration of vitric

503     juvenile pyroclasts in ignimbrite sheets. The rehydration causes a concomitant viscosity

504     reduction and, thus, facilitates welding. The 'gas retention regime' of their conceptual model

505     requires pore fluid pressure to equal load pressure, implying very low permeability or

506     extremely rapid compaction. Their isothermal conceptual model did not consider an

507     alternative explanation involving the effects of retrograde solubility, which has a marked

508     effect even at low pressures (i.e., < 20 MPa; Figure 9a). In a 100 m thick ignimbrite sheet for

509     example (e.g., Fish Canyon Tuff, Rio Caliente, Cerro Galan, Bishop Tuff (Cas and Wright,

510     1988)) discounting the effects of retrograde solubility leads to an underestimation of the final

511     $H_2O$ content of a melt by 0.1 wt% at 2 MPa, assuming an isothermal system at 800°C (Figure

512     9b). Because there is a concordant decrease in $Tg$ with increasing $H_2O$, assuming an

513     isothermal body also overestimates the effective viscosity of the material. For example, in a

514     model for an ignimbrite (i.e., 2 MPa) that considers rehydration along the cooling path rather

515     than an isothermal (800°C) system, $Tg$ decreases by ~15°C, thereby expanding the melt

516     window and prolonging welding (Figure 9b). Figure 9c is an extension of these same curves

517     to conduit-relevant depths of 2 km. At these pressures (up to 40 MPa), the difference between

518     the $H_2O$ content and $Tg$ of an isothermal and a cooling system is 1 wt% $H_2O$ and ~75°C,

519     respectively. At 40 MPa the $Tg$ of the melt on the retrograde solubility path is nearly half the

520     value of the corresponding anhydrous glass transition of the melt. This remarkable decrease

521     in $Tg$ will dramatically change the timescales available for welding of materials filling the

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522     volcanic conduit (Russell and Quane, 2005; Kolzenburg and Russell, 2014). Although the

523     overall effect of retrograde solubility is small relative to the $P$-dependence of $H_2O$ solubility,

524     it increases the melt window in a cooling pyroclastic body substantially and will greatly

525     facilitate welding.

526         Similarly, $P$- and $T$-dependent $H_2O$ concentrations may play an important role in

527     explaining the transport and cooling timescales of rhyolitic lava flows. Two primary models

528     have been proposed to explain the eruption and emplacement of these dense (i.e., low

529     porosity), high viscosity melts: extensive degassing in the conduit prior to eruption (Jaupart

530     and Allegre 1991; Gonnermann and Manga 2003; Yoshimura and Nakamura 2008; Castro et

531     al. 2012) vs. initial extrusion of an inflated magmatic foam that subsequently collapses to

532     form a dense lava (Eichelberger et al. 1986; Westrich et al. 1988; Westrich and Eichelberger

533     1994). Several mechanisms have also been invoked to explain the lateral extent of these high-

534     viscosity magmas: extremely efficient heat retention (Manley, 1992; Tuffen et al. 2013) vs.

535     changes in magma rheology related to the presence and distribution of bubbles (Eichelberger

536     et al. 1986; Castro and Cashman, 1999; Vona et al. 2013). Retrograde solubility could also

537     explain some of the enigmatic behavior and textures found in rhyolite flows. Once erupted on

538     the surface, whether as a relatively dense or foamed body, rhyolite will begin to cool and

539     resorb $H_2O$ as dictated by $P$ (i.e., flow thickness) and $T$ (eruption temperature and cooling

540     history) conditions (Figure 9a). This resorption process, which could possibly eradicate

541     foamed textures (Westrich and Eichelberger 1994), would lead to a decrease in viscosity, as

542     well as depression in $Tg$, prolonging the life of a flowing viscous body (Figure 9b). Coupled

543     with thermal efficiency and the effect of bubbles on magma rheology, retrograde solubility

544     could explain the impressive lateral extent of some rhyolite lava flows.

545         Forensic investigations of storage and fragmentation depths and eruption dynamics

546     are commonly based on measured $H_2O$ contents in melt inclusions or glasses to estimate

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547     pressure (Atlas et al. 2006; Rust and Cashman 2007; Wright et al. 2007). $H_2O$ contents

548     coupled with $H_2O$ distribution and textural data have also been used to identify specific

549     pressure cycling events, such as at Mono Craters, California (Watkins et al. 2012). These

550     studies could be further constrained by considering the $T$-dependence of $H_2O$ solubility as

551     noted by McIntosh et al. (2014). As in welding studies, many forensic volcanology studies

552     have assumed isothermal conditions (Rust and Cashman 2007; Wright et al. 2007)

553     constrained by geothermometry (Rust and Cashman 2007; Watkins et al. 2012). Strong

554     thermal quenching is necessary in each instance to ensure that the isothermal pressure

555     estimates from $H_2O$ contents are valid. However, as many of these volcanic centers are

556     dynamic and complex, there is always the possibility of re-equilibration at different $P$-$T$

557     conditions than those recorded elsewhere in a sample. At the very least, $H_2O$-$P$ curves that

558     include considerations of retrograde solubility can provide lower and upper bounds on

559     estimated fragmentation depths (Figure 9c).

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561                                  **Implications**

562             This high temperature experimental study produced new data on the solubility of $H_2O$

563     in silicate melts under conditions where the published data are sparse (i.e., 0.1 MPa). These

564     data are used to create a simple thermodynamic model for $H_2O$ solubility from 700-1200°C at

565     0.1 MPa and the enthalpy and entropy of exsolution of $H_2O$. The data and model corroborates

566     the low-pressure data and model for $H_2O$ solubility of Liu et al. (2005).

567             The results of this study also highlight the importance of retrograde solubility in

568     volcanology. Pressure changes in volcanic systems lead to dramatic changes in water

569     solubility, especially during ascent, and ultimately control eruption processes. However,

570     volcanic systems generally move from high to low temperature and the inverse relationship

571     between temperature and water solubility plays a critical role in many post-eruption

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572    processes. Our work shows that the effects of retrograde solubility and the potential for

573    rehydration quenching should be considered when interpreting volcanic processes recorded

574    by surficial deposits or within volcanic conduits and feeders.

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821                                          **Figure Captions**

822     **Figure 1.** Images of starting material and experimental run products from the 1000°C suite of

823     experiments. Photographs of (a) the undeformed starting material and experimental run-

824     products (b,c,d). Calculated final porosities and dwell time are listed in the upper left corner

825     of the images. The scale bar at right in photos is marked in mm. X-ray computed tomography

826     (XCT) images from the center of the starting material (e) and the same experimental products

827     (f,g,h). The field of view in each XCT image is 18.2 mm across. The initial heterogeneity in

828     the distributions of bubbles (b,f) is related to cryptic flow banding in the starting material (see

829     text for explanation).

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831     **Figure 2.** Summary of 1-atmosphere, isothermal, vesiculation experiments. (a) Conceptual

832     diagram of experiments showing a single curve recording volume change as a function of

833     time at fixed $T$. Individual experiments for prescribed dwell times plot as points defining

834     segments of curve: initial state, rapid growth as system expresses its supersaturated state,

835     decreasing growth as system approaches equilibrium, and cessation of exsolution/constant

836     bubble volume at equilibrium. (b) The experimental grid for all experiments plotted as $T$ vs. $t$.

837     Each isothermal suite of experiment comprises 3 to 10 runs at different dwell times.

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839     **Figure 3.** Summary of experimental data from all six suites of isothermal experiments,

840     plotted as porosity ($\phi_f$) vs. time ($t$), including starting material (at $t=0$): (a) 900°C, (b) 925°C,

841     (c) 950°C, (d) 1000°C, (e) 1050°C, (f) 1100°C (cf. Table 2). Each isothermal suite of

842     experiments shows a non-linear increase in porosity with $t$ defining a monotonic sharply

843     increasing curve that reaches a final plateau. With increasing $T$, the peak growth rate ($v'$)

844     increases (as calculated from the maximum slope of the curve). The final plateau value of

845     $H_2O$ (grey bar) also increases with increasing temperature. For several suites (e.g., 925°C),

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846    the last datum shows a slight relative decrease in porosity, suggesting partial collapse of the

847    sample as the dwell times approach the relaxation timescale of the melt. In all cases

848    analytical uncertainties ($1\sigma$) fit within symbols. Also reported are the computed values of

849    viscosity ($\eta$; Giordano et al. 2008) and diffusion rate of $H_2O$ (*D*; Zhang et al. 2007) at the

850    experimental temperatures based on the measured $H_2O$ content of 0.11 wt%.

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852    **Figure 4.** Mosaics of color contour images of residual $H_2O$ contents of glassy sample cores

853    measured by FTIR for 1000°C experiments: (a) starting material (*t*=0), (b) *t*=0.5 h, (c) *t*=1.5

854    h, (d) *t*=2.5 h, (e) *t*=6 h. Final porosity is shown in parentheses. Photos of the glass wafers

855    used for analysis are shown next to each map with a red box showing the analysis location.

856    The color scale bar denotes $H_2O$ content. The starting material is weakly inhomogeneous and

857    shows diffuse banding correlative with slight variations in $H_2O$ content. Experimental

858    products on the other hand show nearly homogeneous distributions of $H_2O$ in the sample,

859    even after only 0.5 h at 1000°C. Circular high or low $H_2O$ content areas are bubbles that

860    either intersect or lie just below the surface of the glass wafer. The high $H_2O$ content rims

861    around these bubbles are artifacts of the imaging around the edge of the bubble (see text for

862    explanation). All scale bars are 350 μm for FTIR contour maps, and 5 mm for photos of glass

863    wafers.

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865    **Figure 5.** Volume and $H_2O$ content changes in each sample during experiments. (a) Observed

866    changes in sample volume ($\Delta V/V_i$) plotted against experimental *T* (°C) for all experiments

867    (Table 2). The isothermal experiments show an increase in $\Delta V/V_i$ with increasing

868    experimental dwell time (arrow at right). Samples below the equilibrium plateau part of the

869    curve (cf. Fig. 2a; Fig. 3) are open symbols; equilibrium plateau samples are closed. (b) The

870    calculated $H_2O$ contents (wt%) of the residual glass in each sample vs. *T* (°C) for all

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871    experiments (Table 3). Residual $H_2O$ contents of the glass decrease with increasing dwell

872    time within each isothermal set of experiments and with increasing $T$. Symbols as in (a).

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874    **Figure 6.** Residual $H_2O$ contents as mole fraction ($X_{H2O}$) and experimental temperature. (a)

875    Calculated values of ln $X_{H2O}$ vs. $1000/T$ (K). Closed symbols denote plateau samples. The

876    linear best-fit line for 900-1050°C plateau samples is shown as a solid black line. Thick grey

877    line is measured $H_2O$ content of starting material. (b) The residual $H_2O$ contents as ln $X_{H2O}$

878    vs. $1000/T$ (K) for the plateau samples from this study (closed circles) as well as all published

879    0.1 MPa rhyolitic data (Appendix A), including Liu et al. (2005) (open circles), Friedman et

880    al. (1963) (open triangles) and McMillan et al. (1986) (open square). Broken lines show

881    published models (500-1250°C). Solid line is our linear best-fit. The models of Moore et al.

882    (1998) and Papale et al. (2006) plot off the scale at lower $H_2O$ contents. Our best-fit model

883    agrees well the data from Liu et al. (2005), as well as with the Liu et al. (2005), Zhang et al.

884    (2007) and Newman and Lowenstern (2002) $H_2O$ solubility models. All models fail to

885    capture all the Friedman et al. (1963) and McMillan et al. (1986) data.

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887    **Figure 7.** Isobaric $H_2O$ solubility curves (grey lines) predicted by Liu et al. (2005) model and

888    plotted as $T$ (°C) vs. $H_2O$ content (wt%) for a range of P (numbers on lines, in MPa). Our

889    model is the thick black line at 0.1 MPa. Thin solid black curve is glass transition

890    temperature ($Tg$ (°C)) of the rhyolite melt with increasing $H_2O$ content (Giordano et al.

891    2008). The intersection of the $Tg$ curve with the isobars marks the maximum possible $H_2O$

892    content of the melt at a given pressure. Here, the drop in $Tg$ with increasing $H_2O$ content is

893    insufficient to accommodate further $H_2O$ resorption, thereby, causing a 'rehydration quench'

894    of the melt to a glass.

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896     **Figure 8**. Model isobaric (0.01 - 20 MPa) rehydration-cooling paths in volcanic systems and

897     corresponding glass transition temperatures (*Tg*). Inset shows diverse paths for volcanic

898     systems to intersect their *Tg*'s, including: i) cooling at rates faster than the melt changes

899     composition ('thermal quench', A), ii) cooling paths allowing for $H_2O$ resorption and

900     reducing melt *Tg* ('rehydration quench', B), and iii) exsolution and loss of $H_2O$ causing a rise

901     in melt *Tg* ('degassing quench', C). Schematic arrows in main figure show simplified

902     volcanic processes including: isobaric thermal quench (A), rehydration quench (B$_1$) and

903     degassing quench (C) at elevated pressure; isothermal eruption (arrow labeled 'pyroclastic

904     fallout') followed by cooling and rehydration (B$_2$); and isothermal accumulation (arrow

905     labeled 'ignimbrite') promoting isobaric cooling and rehydration (B$_3$). The grey arrows show

906     the variations in $H_2O$ content and *Tg* depending on the external pressure and cooling rate of

907     different volcanic processes (see text for explanation).

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909     **Figure 9.** Coupled effects of retrograde solubility and 'rehydration quench' in surficial

910     deposits and within volcanic conduits. (a) Solid grey line represents the isothermal (800°C)

911     *P*-dependence of $H_2O$ solubility (e.g., Sparks et al., 1999). The increase in load pressure

912     allows for increased $H_2O$ solubility but does not include the effects of retrograde solubility in

913     a cooling melt (arrow) leading to underestimation of final $H_2O$ contents. (b) Differences in

914     $H_2O$ contents (wt%); black lines) and *Tg* values normalized to their anhydrous values (grey

915     lines) as a function of P for an isothermal melt (800°C melt; dashed lines) vs. a cooling melt

916     (solid lines) for a 100 m thick ignimbrite sheet or lava. The difference in curves shows the

917     effects of 'rehydration quenching' on $H_2O$ contents and *Tg* of the melt. Over 100 m $H_2O$

918     resorption in the cooling melt increases the $H_2O$ content by ~0.1 wt% and depresses *Tg* by

919     15°C relative to an isothermal melt. (c) The difference between $H_2O$ content and *Tg* in an

920     isothermal (800°C) versus a cooling melt in the context of the upper conduit (2000 m). Lines

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921     as in (b). Over 2000 m there is a ~1.0 wt% increase in $H_2O$ content and a ~50°C decrease in

922     *Tg* in a cooling melt relative to an isothermal one.

**Table 1**. Major anhydrous element composition of obsidian from Hrafntinnuhryggur, Krafla, Iceland.

|  | S11b[a] | UBC-Std4[b] |
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| Method | EMPA | XRF |
| $SiO_2$ | 75.23 | 74.77 |
| $TiO_2$ | 0.23 | 0.23 |
| $Al_2O_3$ | 12.00 | 12.31 |
| $Fe_2O_3$ | - | 0.69 |
| FeO | 3.28 | 2.48 |
| MnO | 0.11 | 0.11 |
| MgO | 0.10 | 0.14 |
| CaO | 1.66 | 1.64 |
| $Na_2O$ | 4.15 | 4.28 |
| $K_2O$ | 2.75 | 2.60 |
| $P_2O_5$ | - | 0.03 |
| Total | 99.51 | 99.28 |
| $FeO_T$ | 3.28 | 3.10 |

[a]Electron microprobe analysis of glass (Tuffen and Castro, 2009).
[b]Bulk XRF analysis of glass by ALS-Chemex.

**Table 2**. Experimental conditions and properties of all pre- and post-experiment cores including: time (t), initial and final mass (m), final density ($\rho_f$), volume change ($\Delta V$) and final porosity ($\phi_f$)

| LABEL | $T_{exp}$ (°C) | t (h) | $m_i$ (g) | $m_f$ (g) | $\rho_f$ (g cm$^{-3}$)$^a$ | $\Delta V$ (cm$^3$) | $\phi_f$ (%)$^b$ |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| AR-IK-28 | 0 | 0 | 1.702 | 1.702 | 2.394 | 0 | 0 |
| AR-IK-39 | 900 | 5.0 | 1.600 | 1.600 | 2.372 | 0.02 | 3.07 |
| AR-IK-40 | 900 | 7.5 | 1.575 | 1.575 | 2.056 | 0.12 | 15.15 |
| AR-IK-46 | 900 | 9.0 | 1.571 | 1.570 | 2.053 | 0.12 | 15.10 |
| AR-IK-54 | 900 | 12.3 | 1.824 | 1.824 | 1.856 | 0.23 | 23.34 |
| AR-IK-49 | 900 | 13.0 | 1.953 | 1.952 | 2.105 | 0.11 | 11.56 |
| AR-IK-52 | 900 | 16.8 | 2.210 | 2.209 | 1.807 | 0.30 | 24.66 |
| AR-IK-24 | 900 | 20.0 | 1.639 | 1.637 | 1.344 | 0.53 | 43.25 |
| AR-IK-50 | 900 | 24.0 | 1.764 | 1.763 | 1.340 | 0.56 | 42.77 |
| AR-IK-44 | 925 | 2.5 | 1.676 | 1.676 | 2.313 | 0.03 | 4.24 |
| AR-IK-42 | 925 | 5.0 | 1.732 | 1.731 | 1.797 | 0.25 | 25.71 |
| AR-IK-43 | 925 | 12.0 | 1.713 | 1.712 | 1.462 | 0.47 | 39.74 |
| AR-IK-45 | 925 | 20.0 | 1.827 | 1.826 | 1.188 | 0.78 | 50.60 |
| AR-IK-51 | 925 | 24.0 | 1.612 | 1.611 | 1.415 | 0.46 | 40.24 |
| AR-IK-10 | 950 | 1.5 | 1.720 | 1.719 | 1.916 | 0.16 | 18.25 |
| AR-IK-7 | 950 | 4.0 | 1.676 | 1.675 | 1.215 | 0.67 | 48.83 |
| AR-IK-48 | 950 | 6.0 | 1.654 | 1.653 | 1.131 | 0.78 | 53.36 |
| AR-IK-11 | 950 | 12.5 | 1.648 | 1.647 | 1.007 | 0.94 | 57.41 |
| AR-IK-25 | 950 | 20.0 | 1.872 | 1.871 | 1.100 | 0.92 | 53.87 |
| AR-IK-21 | 1000 | 0.5 | 1.675 | 1.675 | 1.901 | 0.19 | 21.23 |
| AR-IK-17 | 1000 | 1.5 | 1.617 | 1.617 | 1.275 | 0.59 | 46.54 |
| AR-IK-22 | 1000 | 1.5 | 1.819 | 1.817 | 1.109 | 0.88 | 53.71 |
| AR-IK-16 | 1000 | 2.5 | 1.632 | 1.630 | 0.796 | 1.37 | 66.69 |
| glass 4 | 1000 | 4.0 | 2.324 | 2.322 | 0.895 | 1.58 | 60.74 |
| AR-IK-12 | 1000 | 4.0 | 1.716 | 1.714 | 0.906 | 1.17 | 61.64 |
| AR-IK-20 | 1000 | 4.0 | 1.714 | 1.713 | 0.888 | 1.22 | 63.05 |
| AR-IK-34 | 1000 | 4.0 | 1.728 | 1.726 | 0.799 | 1.43 | 66.40 |
| AR-IK-18 | 1000 | 7.5 | 1.531 | 1.529 | 0.822 | 1.22 | 65.80 |
| AR-IK-27 | 1000 | 13.0 | 1.884 | 1.883 | 0.936 | 1.22 | 60.87 |
| AR-IK-32 | 1050 | 0.5 | 1.736 | 1.736 | 1.950 | 0.17 | 18.80 |
| AR-IK-33 | 1050 | 1.2 | 1.734 | 1.733 | 1.008 | 1.00 | 58.17 |
| AR-IK-47 | 1050 | 3.0 | 1.680 | 1.679 | 0.843 | 1.30 | 65.22 |
| AR-IK-23 | 1050 | 4.0 | 1.701 | 1.699 | 0.712 | 1.68 | 70.42 |
| AR-IK-35 | 1050 | 5.0 | 1.726 | 1.724 | 0.759 | 1.54 | 68.00 |
| AR-IK-30 | 1100 | 0.5 | 1.731 | 1.730 | 1.115 | 0.85 | 54.92 |
| AR-IK-31 | 1100 | 1.0 | 1.730 | 1.728 | 0.696 | 1.78 | 71.60 |
| AR-IK-36 | 1100 | 2.0 | 1.725 | 1.723 | 0.762 | 1.54 | 67.91 |

$^a$Mean density (2.394 g cm$^{-3}$) is based on an initial porosity below detection.

$^b$ $\phi_f = 100 \, \Delta V/V_f$, where $V_f$ is the final volume.

**Table 3**. Model values of residual $H_2O$ in glasses from 1 atm isothermal vesiculation experiments. We assume an initial $H_2O$ content of 0.114 wt. %[a], constant surface tension (0.081 N m$^{-1}$), and an average mean bubble radius of 0.322 mm for an internal pressure of 101828 Pa[b]. Residual $H_2O$ is calculated from sample volume change ($\Delta V$) using the Redlich-Kwong equation of state (see text for full explanation).
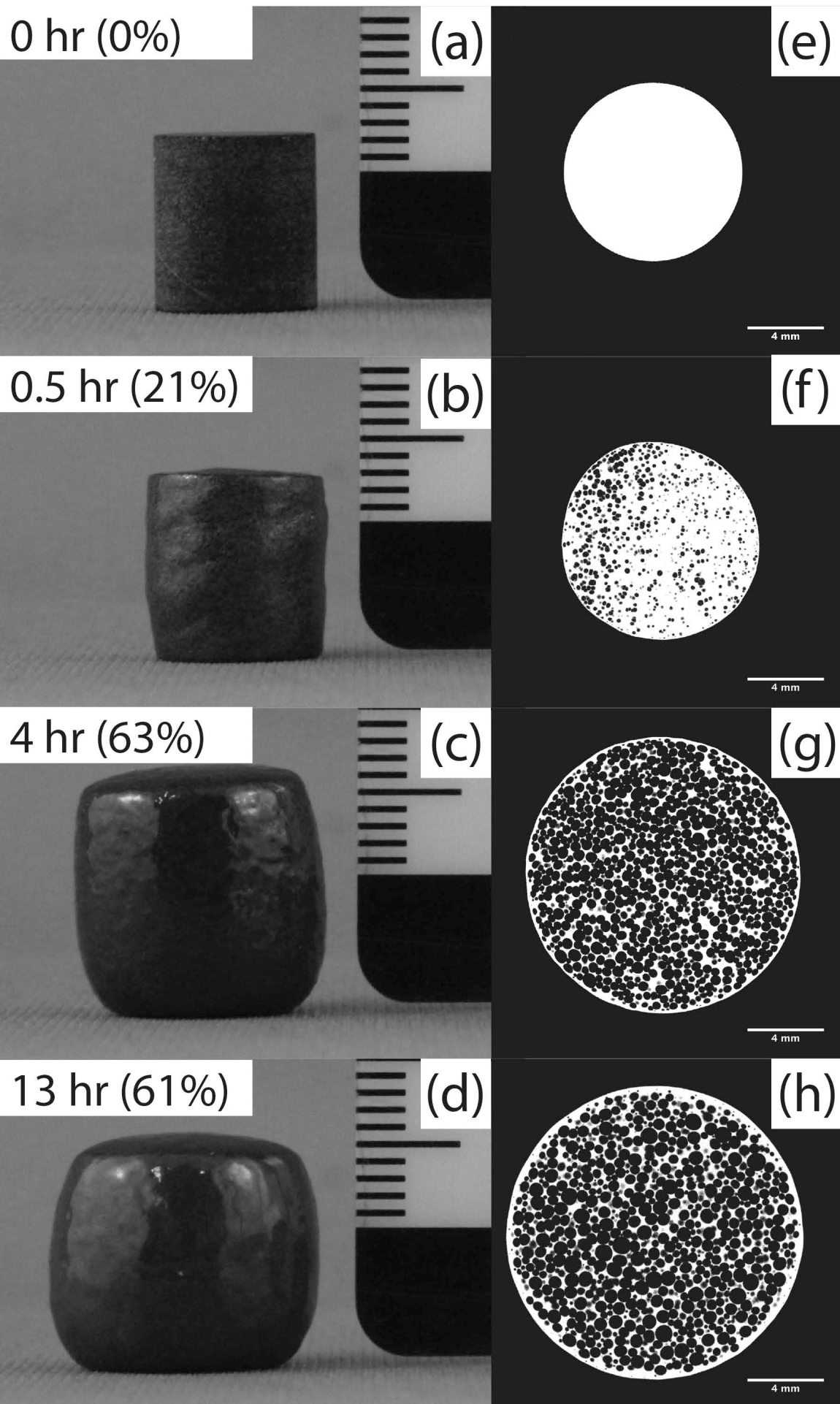
| Sample | \multicolumn{4}{Measured Properties} | | | \multicolumn{4}{Calculated Properties} | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | $H_2O^c$ | $m_i^d$ | $\Delta V$ (m$^3$) | $_f(\%)^e$ | $n_i^f$ | $n_b^g$ | $n_r^h$ | $H_2O_{gf}$ | $\Delta H_2O^i$ |
| AR-IK-28 | 0.114 | 1.702 | 0 | 0 | 1.08E-04 | - | - | 0.114 | |
| AR-IK-39 | | 1.600 | 2.07E-08 | 3.07 | 1.01E-04 | 2.16E-07 | 1.01E-04 | 0.114 | |
| AR-IK-40 | | 1.575 | 1.16E-07 | 15.15 | 9.97E-05 | 1.21E-06 | 9.85E-05 | 0.113 | |
| AR-IK-46 | | 1.571 | 1.16E-07 | 15.10 | 9.94E-05 | 1.21E-06 | 9.82E-05 | 0.113 | |
| AR-IK-54 | | 1.824 | 2.29E-07 | 23.34 | 1.15E-04 | 2.39E-06 | 1.13E-04 | 0.112 | |
| AR-IK-49 | | 1.953 | 1.07E-07 | 11.56 | 1.24E-04 | 1.12E-06 | 1.22E-04 | 0.113 | |
| AR-IK-52 | | 2.210 | 3.01E-07 | 24.66 | 1.40E-04 | 3.15E-06 | 1.37E-04 | 0.111 | |
| AR-IK-24 | 0.098 | 1.639 | 5.27E-07 | 43.25 | 1.04E-04 | 5.50E-06 | 9.82E-05 | 0.108 | -0.010 |
| AR-IK-50 | | 1.764 | 5.63E-07 | 42.77 | 1.12E-04 | 5.88E-06 | 1.06E-04 | 0.108 | |
| AR-IK-44 | | 1.676 | 3.07E-08 | 4.24 | 1.06E-04 | 3.14E-07 | 1.06E-04 | 0.114 | |
| AR-IK-42 | | 1.732 | 2.48E-07 | 25.71 | 1.10E-04 | 2.53E-06 | 1.07E-04 | 0.111 | |
| AR-IK-43 | | 1.713 | 4.65E-07 | 39.74 | 1.08E-04 | 4.76E-06 | 1.04E-04 | 0.109 | |
| AR-IK-45 | | 1.827 | 7.78E-07 | 50.60 | 1.16E-04 | 7.96E-06 | 1.08E-04 | 0.106 | |
| AR-IK-51 | | 1.612 | 4.58E-07 | 40.24 | 1.02E-04 | 4.68E-06 | 9.73E-05 | 0.109 | |
| AR-IK-10 | | 1.720 | 1.64E-07 | 18.25 | 1.09E-04 | 1.64E-06 | 1.07E-04 | 0.112 | |
| AR-IK-7 | | 1.676 | 6.73E-07 | 48.83 | 1.06E-04 | 6.74E-06 | 9.93E-05 | 0.107 | |
| AR-IK-48 | | 1.654 | 7.79E-07 | 53.36 | 1.05E-04 | 7.80E-06 | 9.69E-05 | 0.106 | |
| AR-IK-11 | | 1.648 | 9.39E-07 | 57.41 | 1.04E-04 | 9.40E-06 | 9.49E-05 | 0.104 | |
| AR-IK-25 | 0.087 | 1.872 | 9.16E-07 | 53.87 | 1.18E-04 | 9.17E-06 | 1.09E-04 | 0.105 | -0.018 |
| AR-IK-21 | | 1.675 | 1.87E-07 | 21.23 | 1.06E-04 | 1.80E-06 | 1.04E-04 | 0.112 | |
| AR-IK-17 | | 1.617 | 5.90E-07 | 46.54 | 1.02E-04 | 5.68E-06 | 9.67E-05 | 0.108 | |
| AR-IK-22 | | 1.819 | 8.80E-07 | 53.71 | 1.15E-04 | 8.47E-06 | 1.07E-04 | 0.106 | |
| AR-IK-16 | | 1.632 | 1.37E-06 | 66.69 | 1.03E-04 | 1.31E-05 | 9.02E-05 | 0.099 | |
| glass 4 | | 2.324 | 1.58E-06 | 60.74 | 1.47E-04 | 1.52E-05 | 1.32E-04 | 0.102 | |
| AR-IK-12 | | 1.716 | 1.17E-06 | 61.64 | 1.09E-04 | 1.12E-05 | 9.73E-05 | 0.102 | |
| AR-IK-20 | | 1.714 | 1.22E-06 | 63.05 | 1.08E-04 | 1.17E-05 | 9.68E-05 | 0.102 | |
| AR-IK-34 | | 1.728 | 1.43E-06 | 66.40 | 1.09E-04 | 1.38E-05 | 9.55E-05 | 0.100 | |
| AR-IK-18 | 0.093 | 1.531 | 1.22E-06 | 65.80 | 9.69E-05 | 1.18E-05 | 8.51E-05 | 0.100 | -0.007 |

| Sample | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| AR-IK-27 | | 1.884 | 1.22E-06 | 60.87 | 1.19E-04 | 1.18E-05 | 1.07E-04 | 0.103 | |
| AR-IK-32 | | 1.736 | 1.67E-07 | 18.80 | 1.10E-04 | 1.55E-06 | 1.08E-04 | 0.112 | |
| AR-IK-33 | | 1.734 | 1.00E-06 | 58.17 | 1.10E-04 | 9.26E-06 | 1.00E-04 | 0.104 | |
| AR-IK-47 | | 1.680 | 1.30E-06 | 65.22 | 1.06E-04 | 1.20E-05 | 9.43E-05 | 0.101 | |
| AR-IK-23 | 0.090 | 1.701 | 1.68E-06 | 70.42 | 1.08E-04 | 1.56E-05 | 9.21E-05 | 0.098 | -0.007 |
| AR-IK-35 | | 1.726 | 1.54E-06 | 68.00 | 1.09E-04 | 1.43E-05 | 9.49E-05 | 0.099 | |
| AR-IK-30 | | 1.731 | 8.52E-07 | 54.92 | 1.10E-04 | 7.60E-06 | 1.02E-04 | 0.106 | |
| AR-IK-31 | 0.108 | 1.730 | 1.78E-06 | 71.60 | 1.09E-04 | 1.59E-05 | 9.36E-05 | 0.097 | 0.010 |
| AR-IK-36 | | 1.725 | 1.54E-06 | 67.91 | 1.09E-04 | 1.37E-05 | 9.54E-05 | 0.100 | |

[a]Initial water content is based on FTIR anaysis. [b]Calculated internal pressure (Pa) $[P_i = P_e + 2\sigma\, r^{-1}]$. [c]Measured $H_2O$ content (wt%) in cores by FTIR. [d]Initial mass (g) of sample core. [e]Porosity of sample based on volume change. [f,g,h]Calculated moles of $H_2O$ dissolved in initial sample, exsolved as bubbles and remaining in sample, respectively. [i]Measured - calculated $H_2O$ content of glass run products.

# 1000°C Experimental Suite

0 hr (0%) (a)

(e)

0.5 hr (21%) (b)

(f)

4 hr (63%) (c)

(g)

13 hr (61%) (d)

(h)

4 mm

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**(a)** Constant T — water solubility limit; exsolution/bubble growth; equilibrium plateau; volume change vs. time.

**(b)** T (°C) vs. t (h).
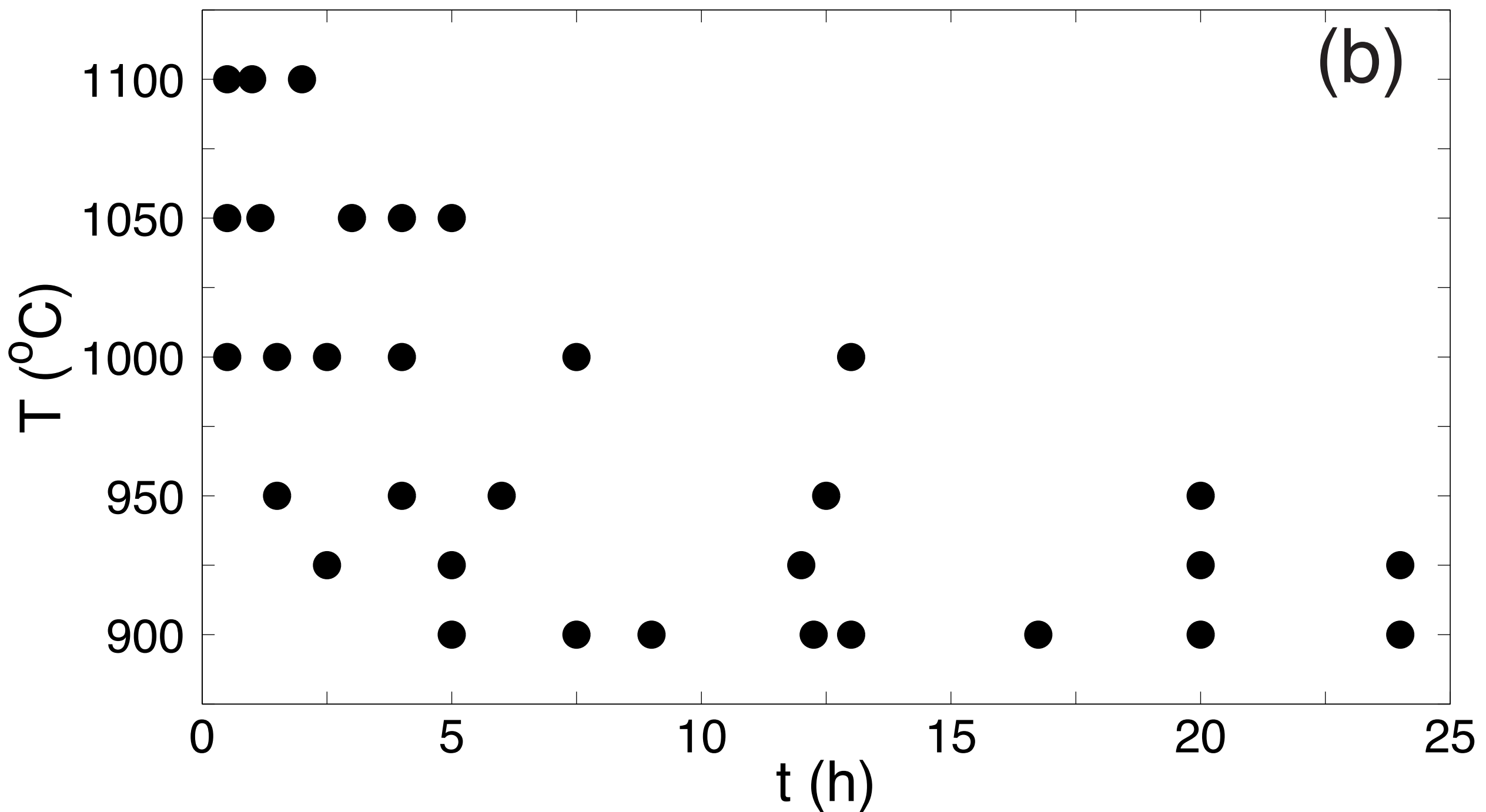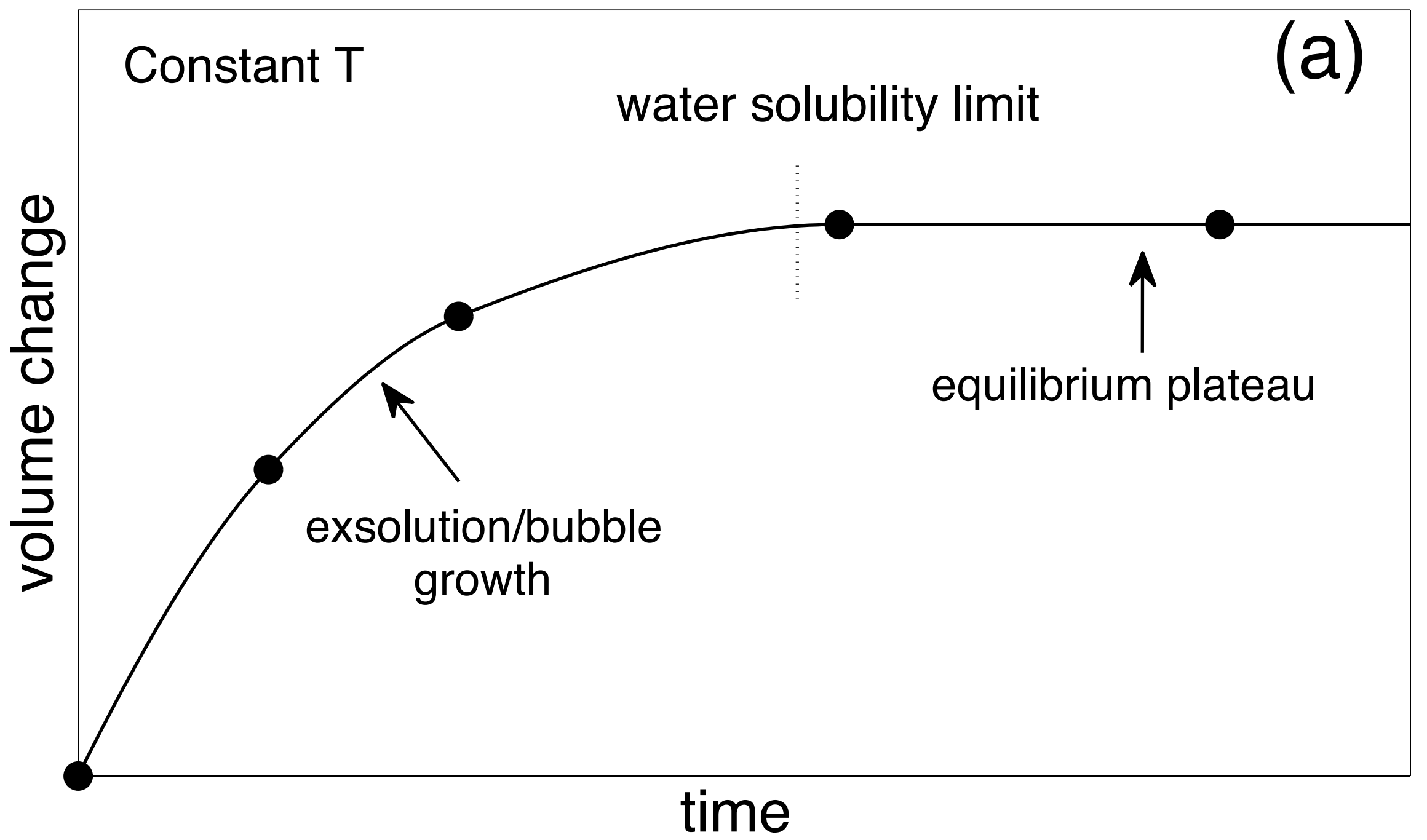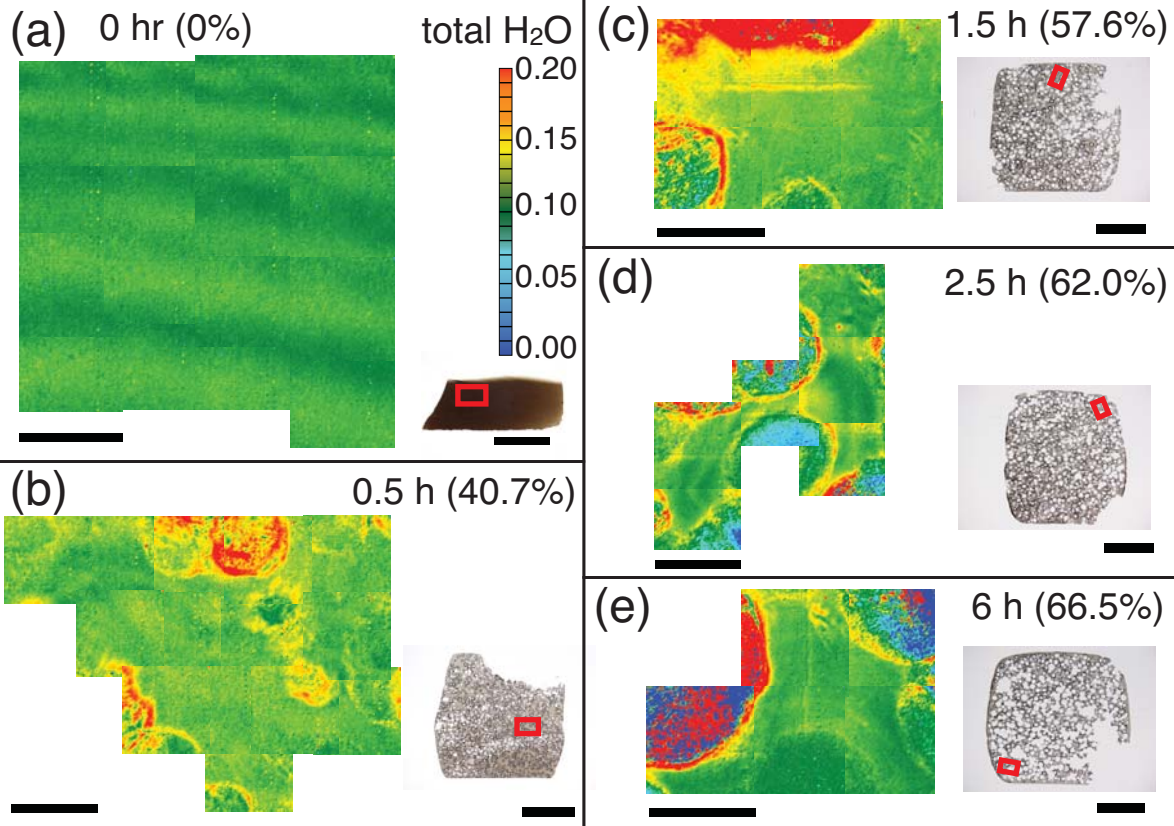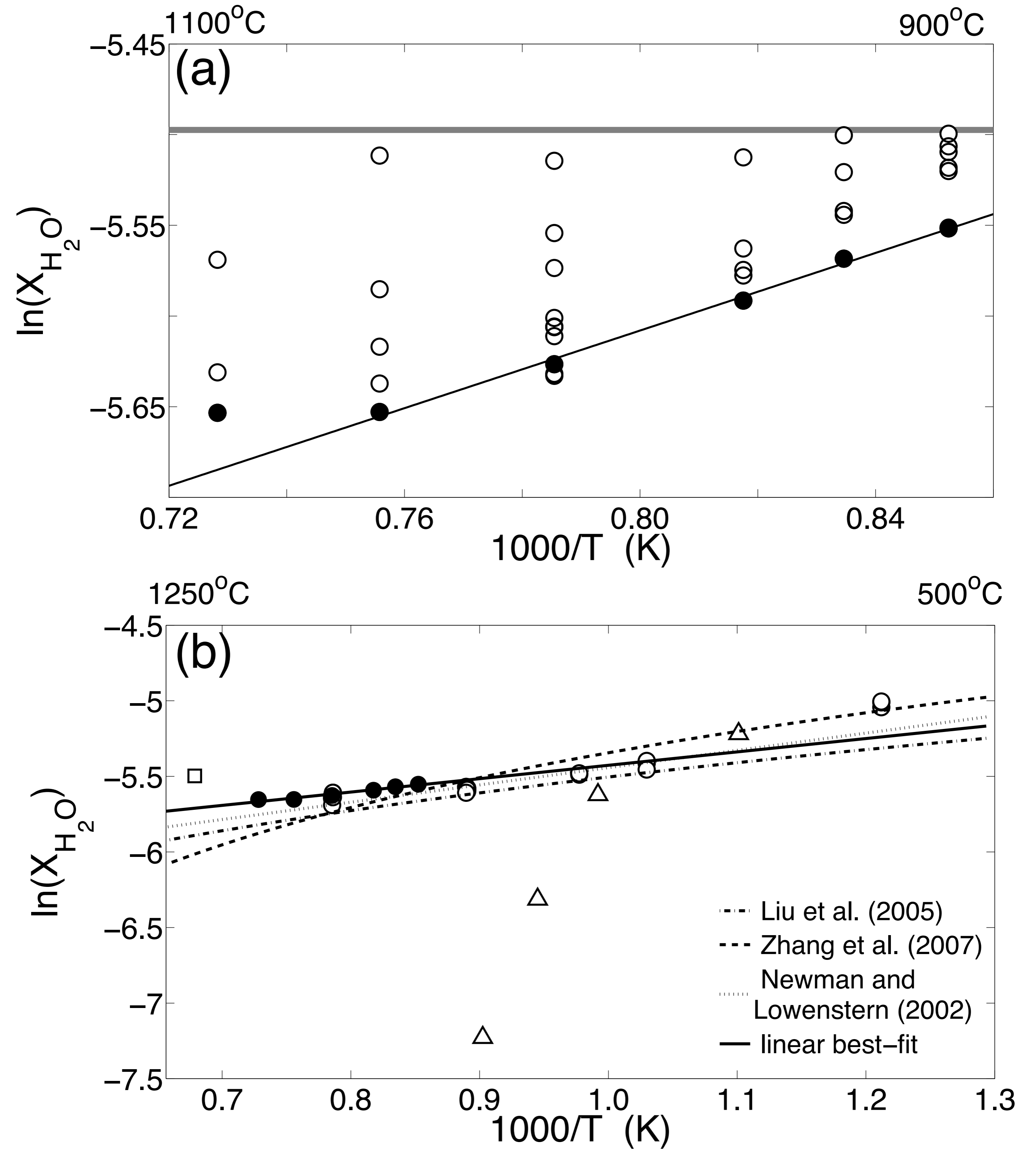
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(a) 0 hr (0%)　total $H_2O$

(b) 0.5 h (40.7%)

(c) 1.5 h (57.6%)

(d) 2.5 h (62.0%)

(e) 6 h (66.5%)
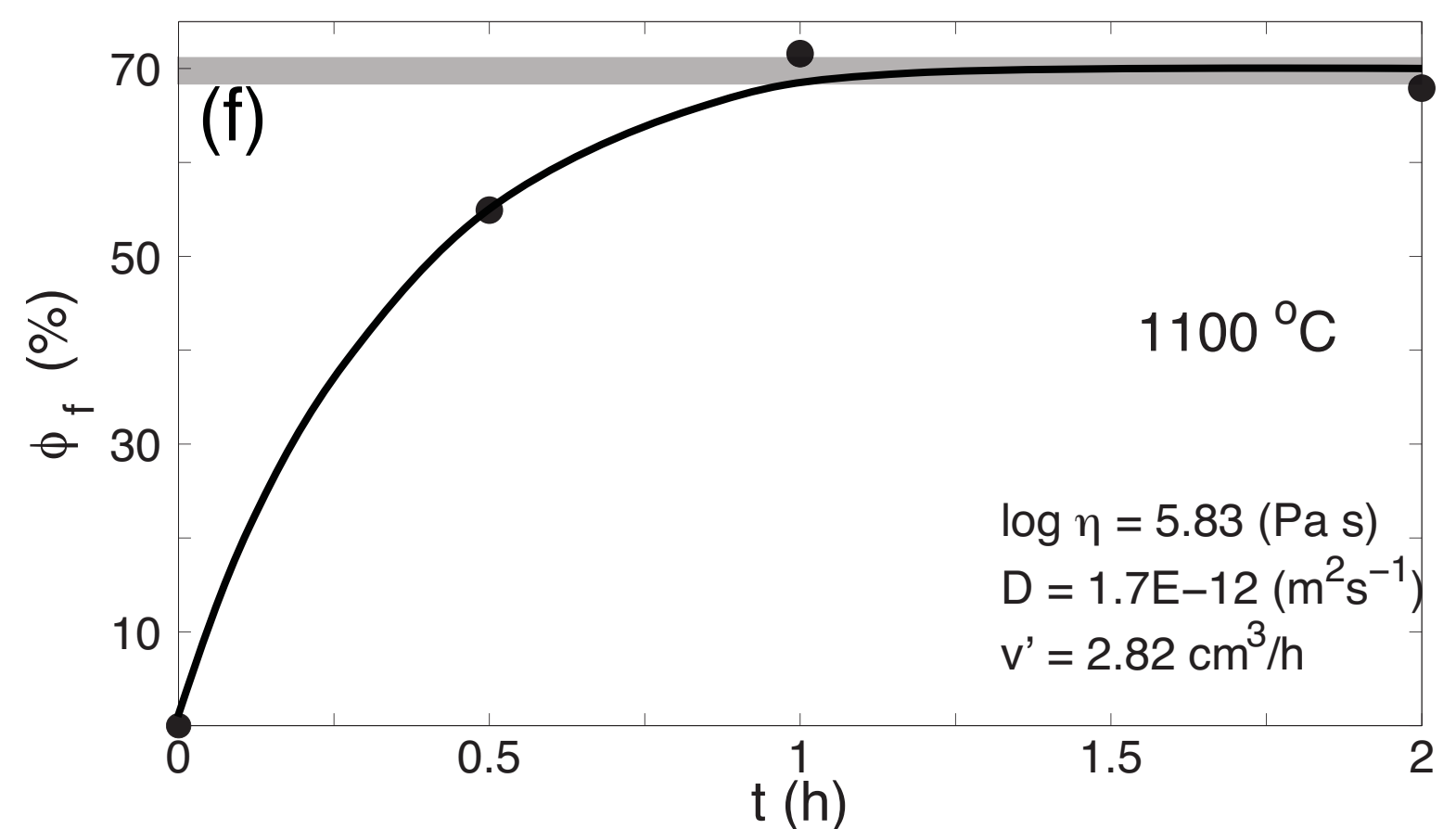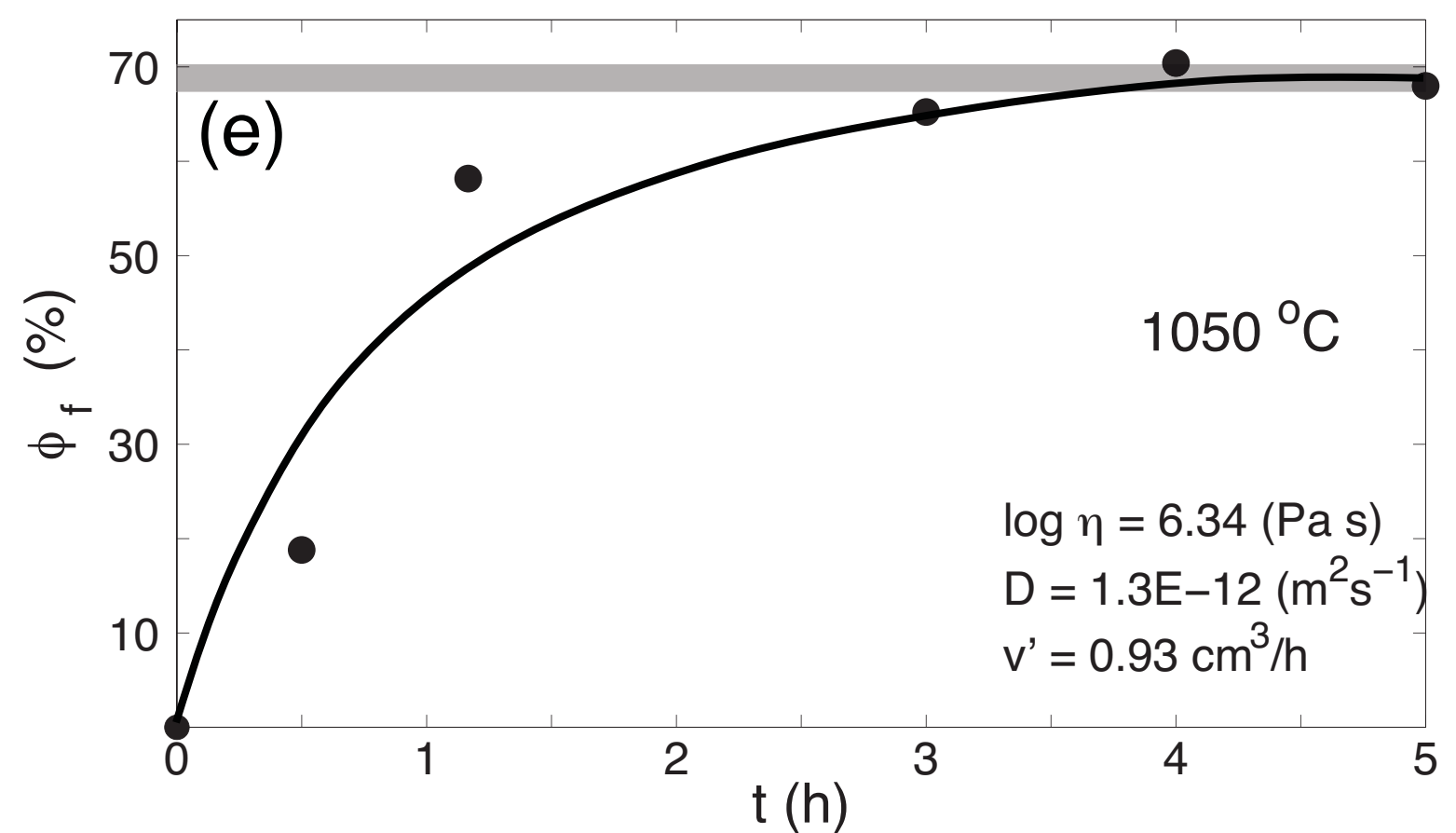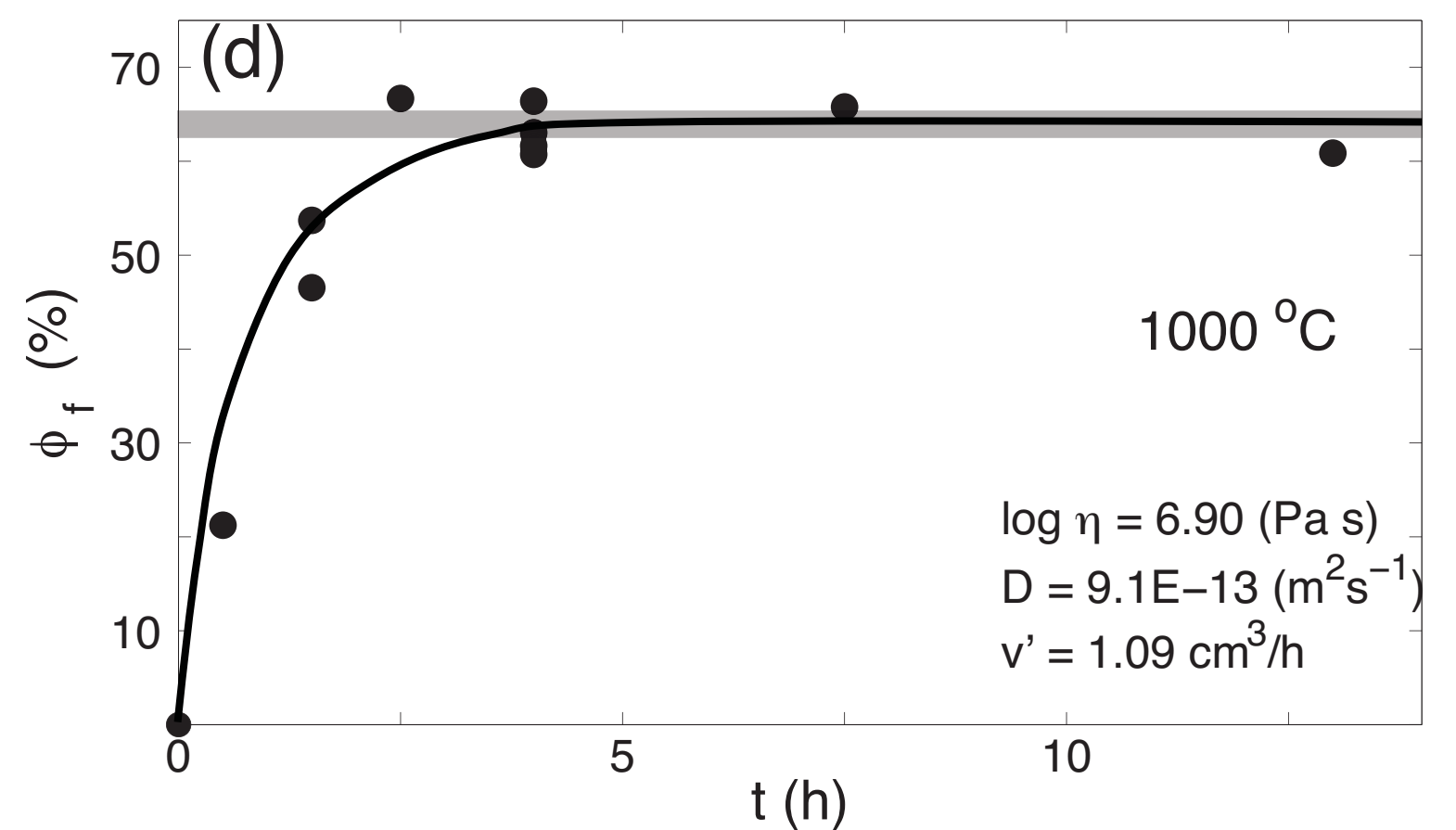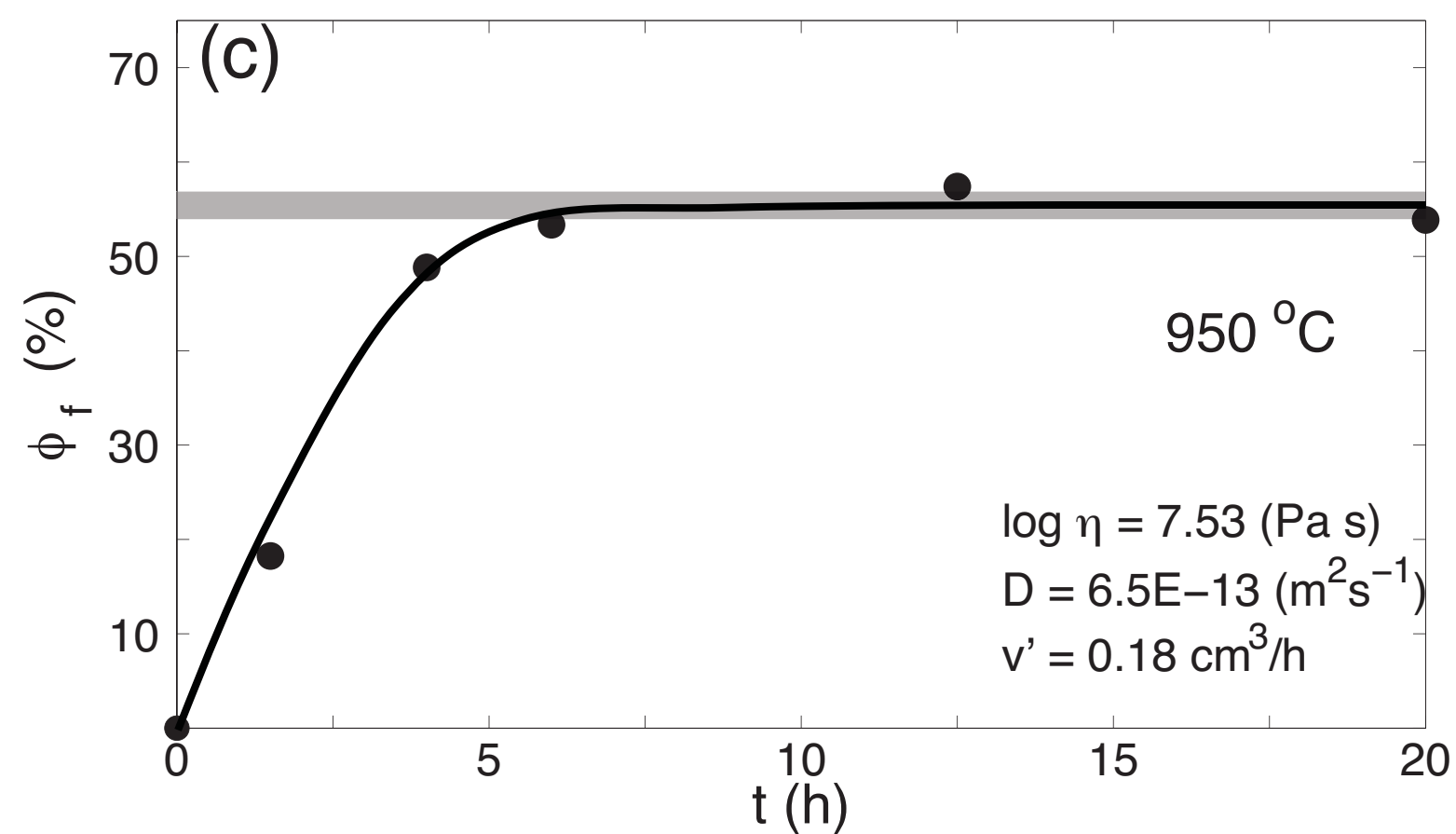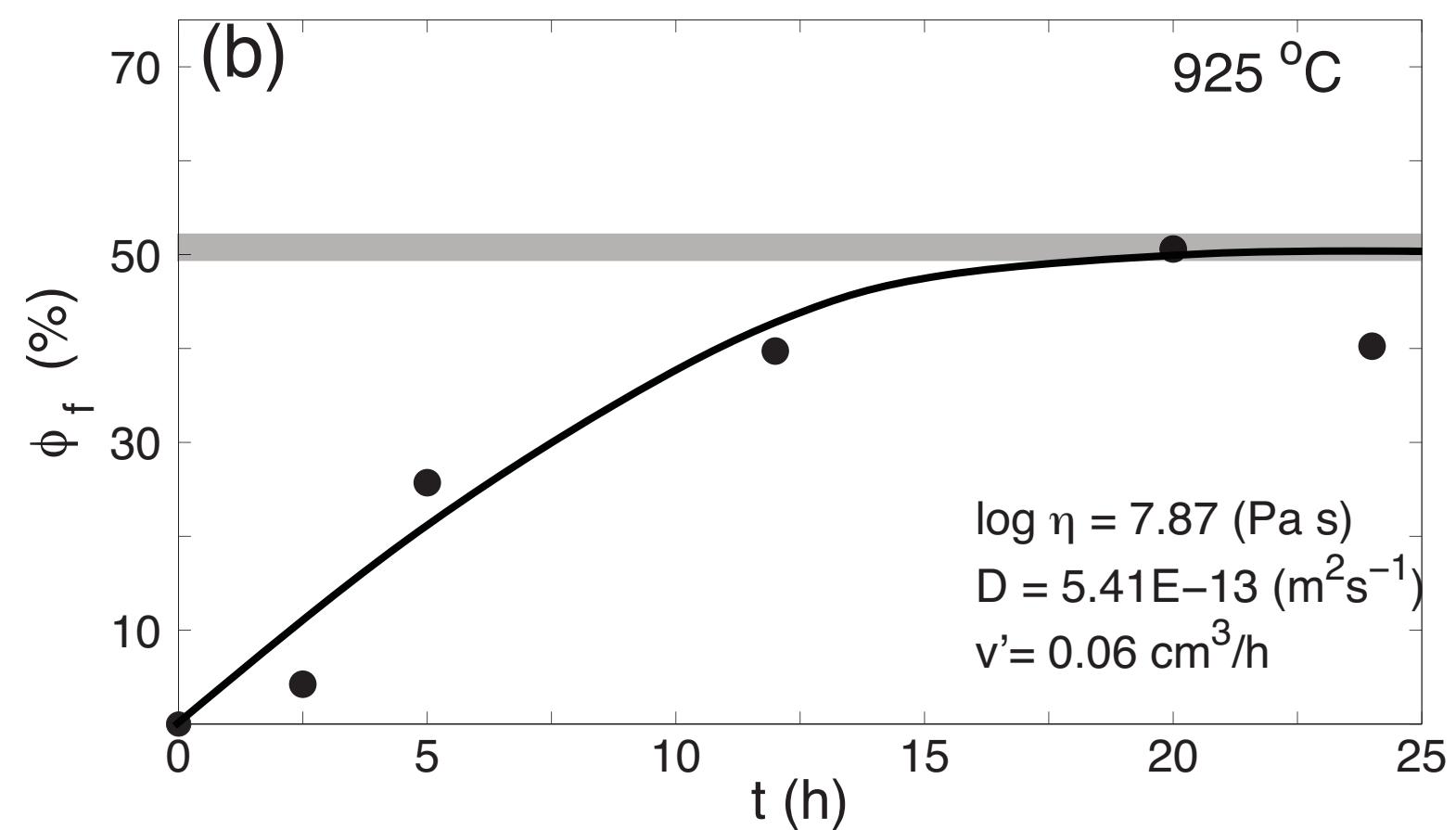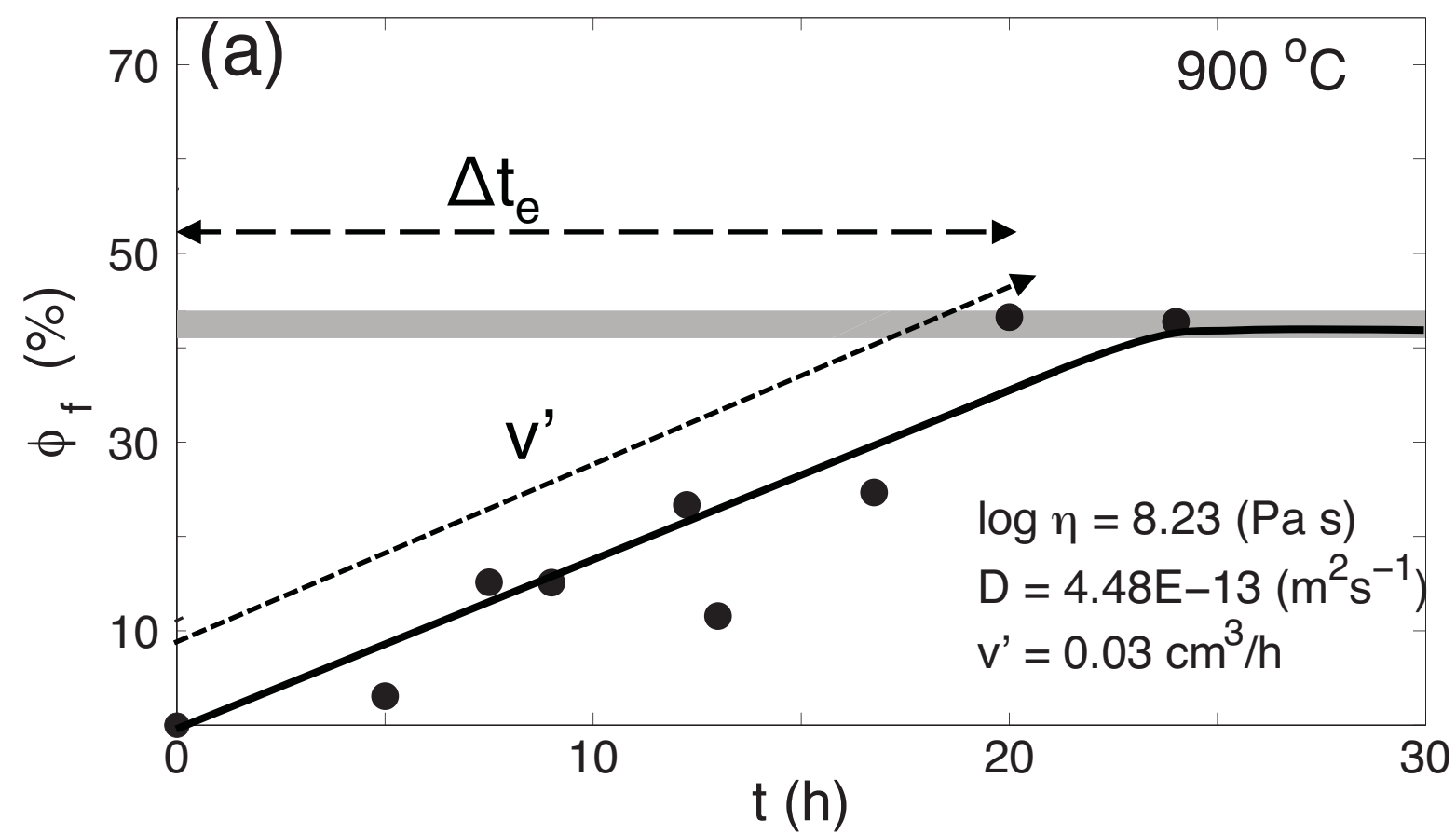
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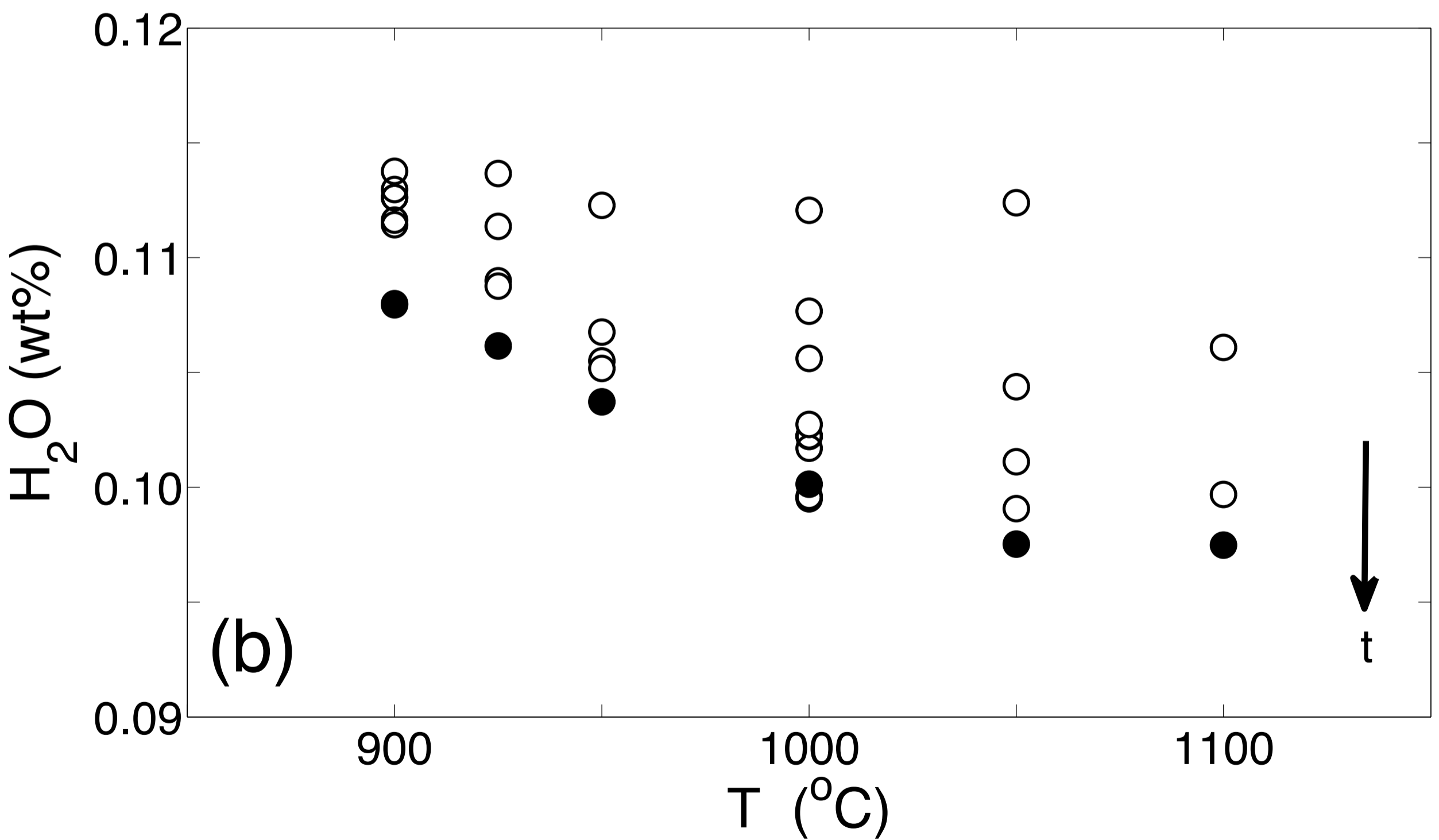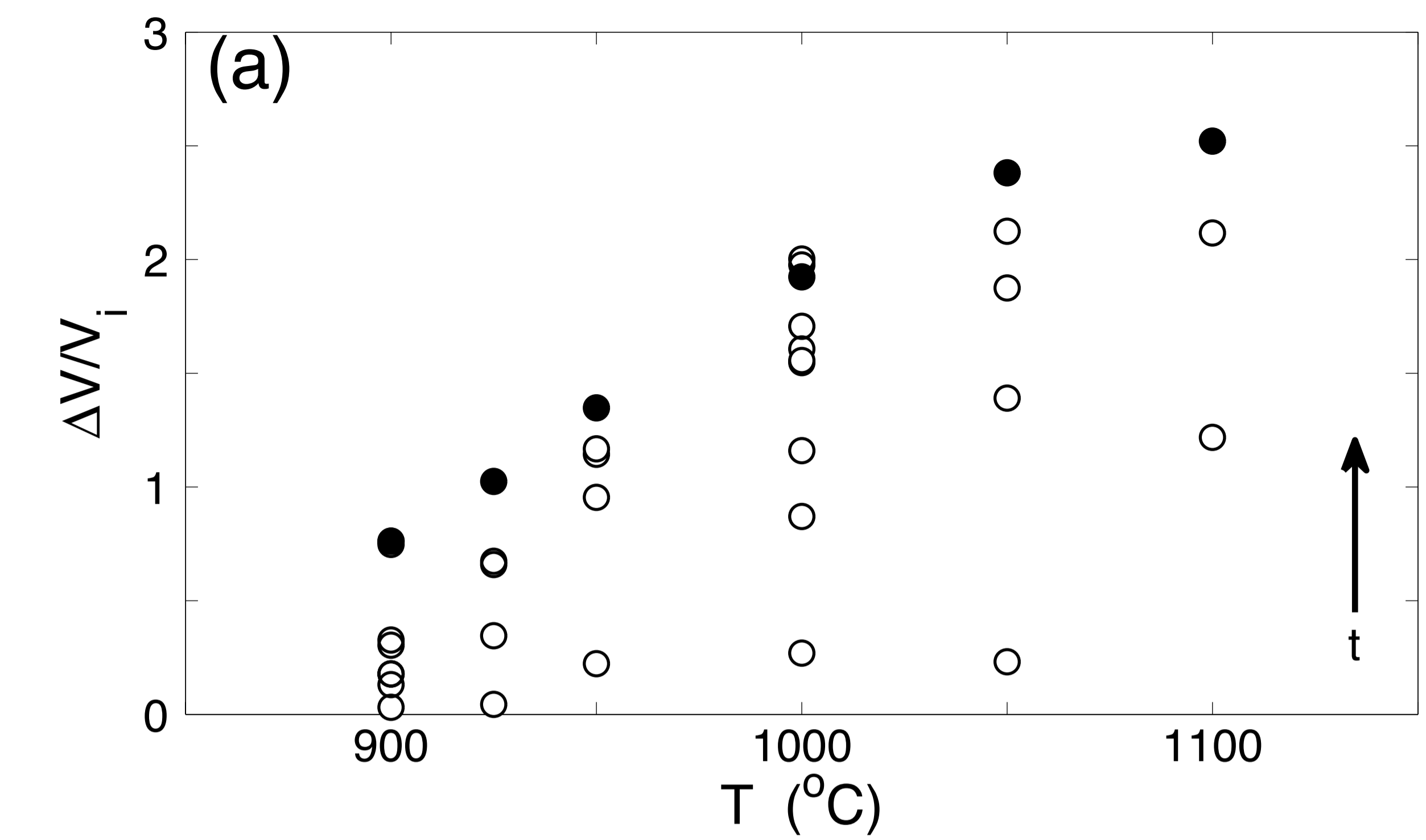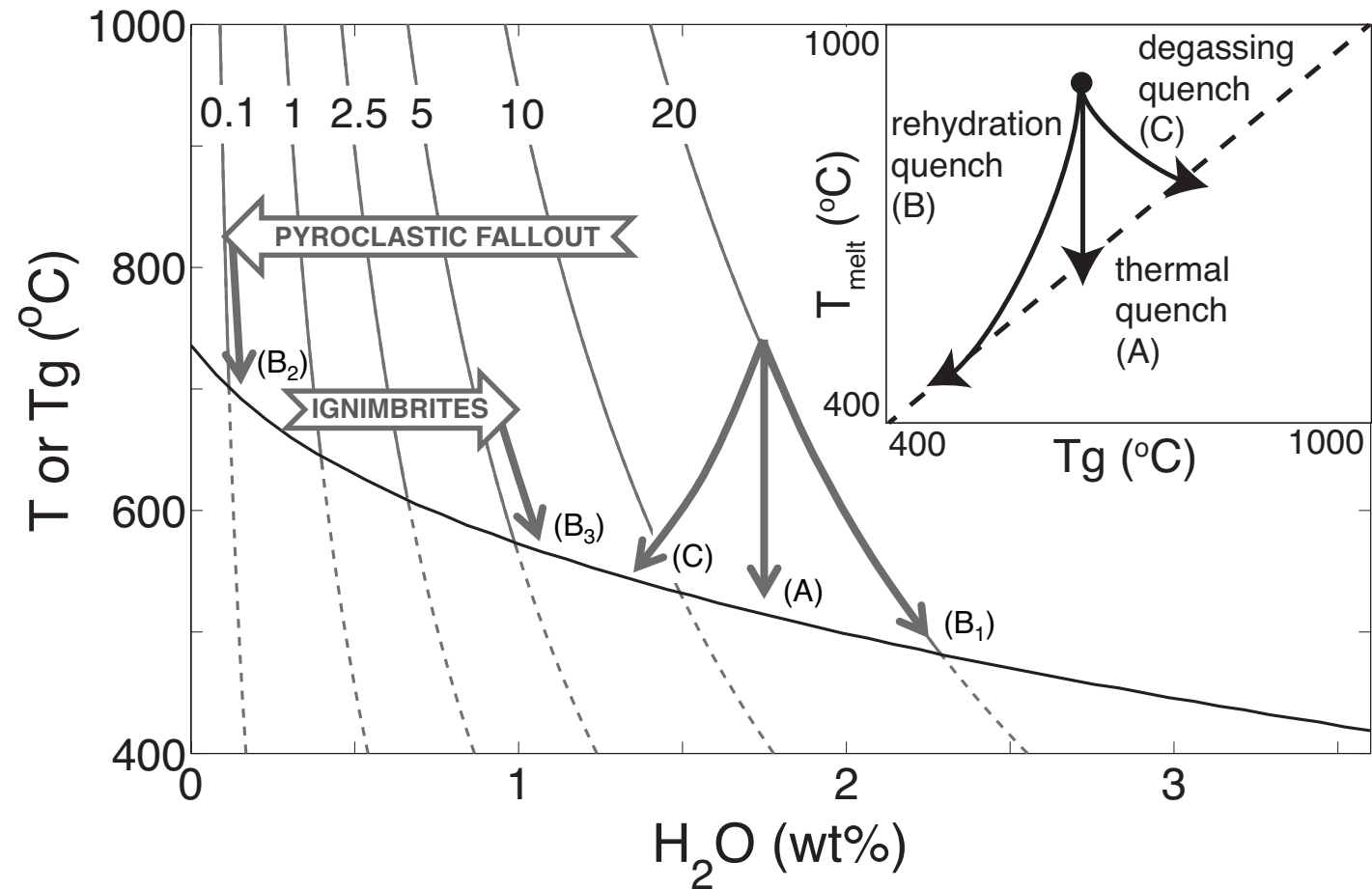
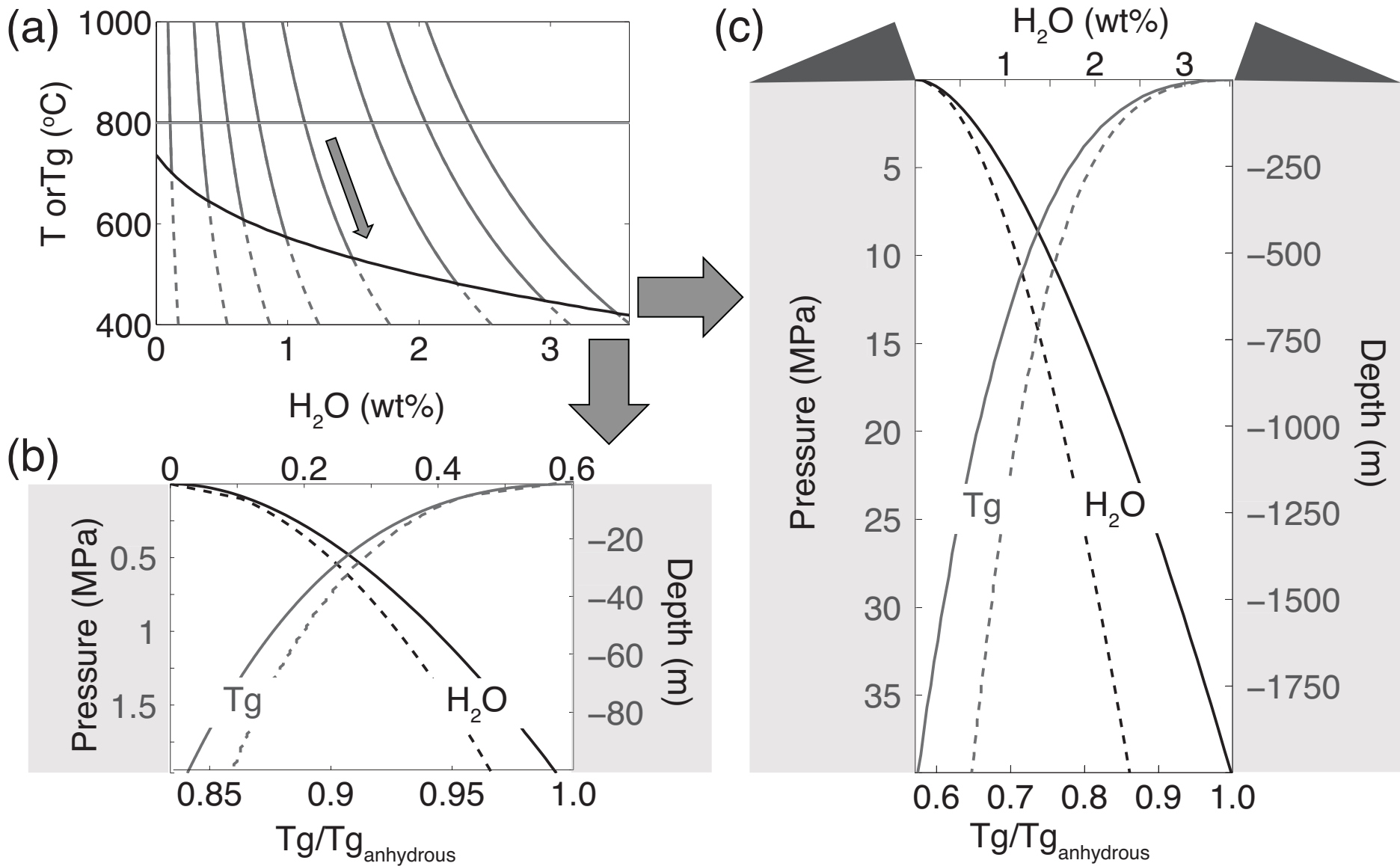Ryan et al. (2014) FIGURE 5

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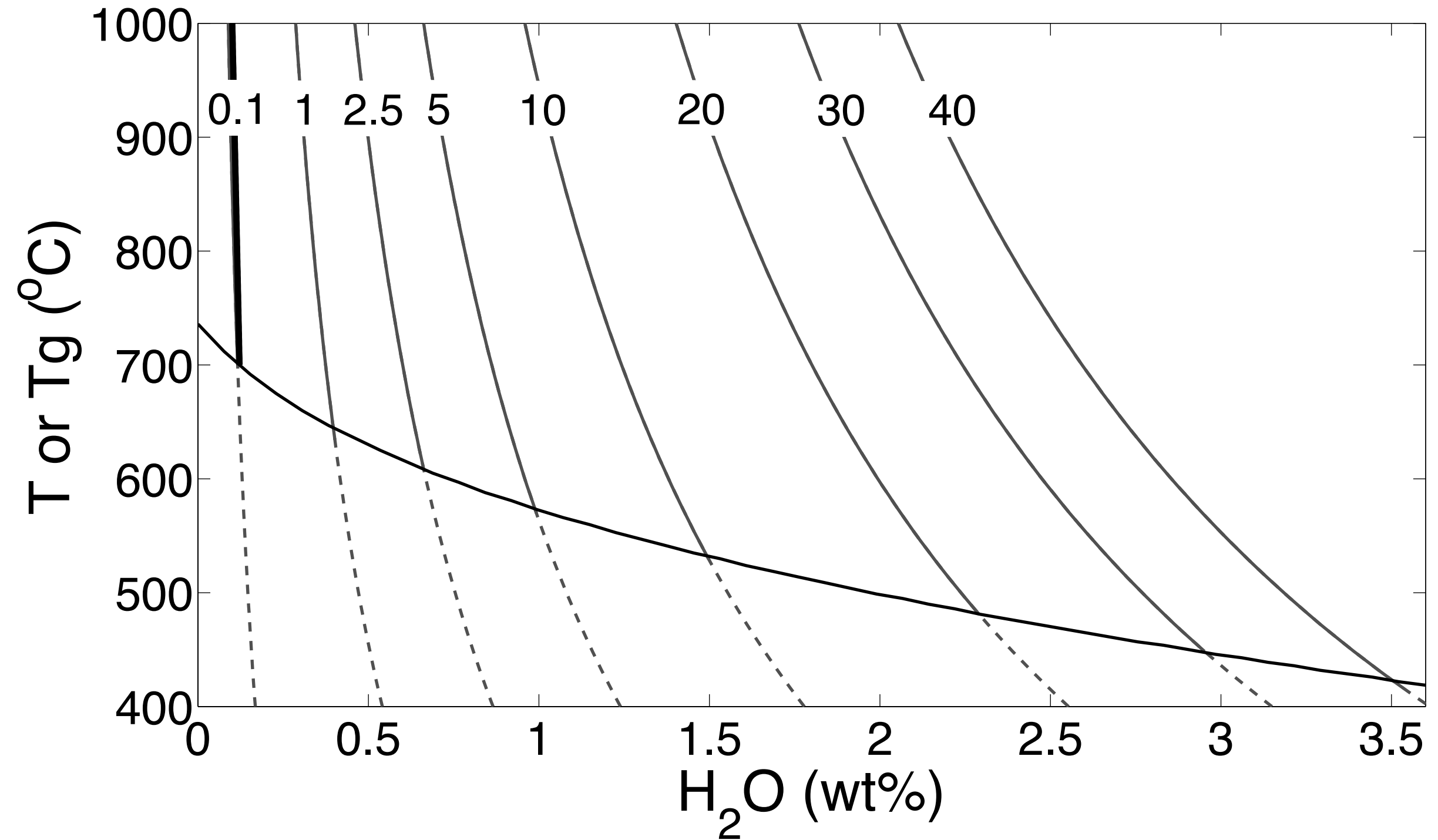
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