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3 4	Single-crystal Elasticity of Humite-Group Minerals by Brillouin Scattering
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#### ABSTRACT

Humite-group minerals play a crucial role in transporting water and fluorine to the Earth's deep 21 mantle through slab sinking. In this study, we have used Brillouin scattering to determine the 22 single-crystal elastic constants of four natural humite-group minerals with varying H<sub>2</sub>O and 23 fluorite under ambient conditions, including 24 contents one chondrodite  $[Mg_{4.88}Si_{1.94}O_8(OH_{0.78}F_{1.22})]$  (F<sub>61</sub>-Chn), one humite  $[Mg_{7.03}Si_{3.07}O_{12}(OH_{1.26}F_{0.74})]$  (F<sub>37</sub>-Hu), and 25 two clinohumite  $[Mg_{8,85}Ti_{0.19}Si_{3.93}O_{16}(OH_{1.11}F_{0.89})$  and  $Mg_{8,63}Fe_{0.10}Ti_{0.24}Si_{3.97}O_{16}(OH_{1.84}F_{0.16})]$ 26 27 (F<sub>45</sub>-Chu and F<sub>8</sub>-Chu) samples. The adiabatic bulk ( $K_{S0}$ ) and shear ( $G_0$ ) moduli calculated from the elastic constants using Voigt-Reuss-Hill averages are:  $K_{S0} = 120.4(3)$  GPa and  $G_0 = 74.1(5)$ 28 GPa for  $F_{61}$ -Chn,  $K_{S0} = 122.4(3)$  GPa and  $G_0 = 78.4(2)$  GPa for  $F_{37}$ -Hu,  $K_{S0} = 126.2(3)$  GPa and 29  $G_0 = 79.7(2)$  GPa for F<sub>45</sub>-Chu, and  $K_{S0} = 120.5(3)$  GPa and  $G_0 = 76.8(2)$  GPa for F<sub>8</sub>-Chu. Our 30 results indicate that the addition of F leads to a noticeable increase in the elasticity of 31 clinohumite and chondrodite, which is in contrast to the effect of H<sub>2</sub>O. Although Fe has a 32 negligible effect on the bulk modulus of clinohumite, it can produce a substantial decrease in the 33 shear modulus. These results provide important insights into the influence of humite-group 34 minerals on the mantle velocity structure. Furthermore, we have investigated the influence of 35 composition on the elasticity and sound velocities of minerals along the forsterite-brucite join in 36 the MgO-SiO<sub>2</sub>-H<sub>2</sub>O system, confirming previous observations. Increasing H<sub>2</sub>O content along the 37 forsterite-brucite join leads to apparent reductions in the elasticity and sound velocities. The 38 influence of Fe on the elasticity and sound velocities of these minerals has also been evaluated. 39

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#### **INTRODUCTION**

Subduction is a crucial process in redistributing volatile elements between the Earth's surface and 44 interior. Despite the fact that most volatiles return to the surface at relatively shallow depths 45 during slab sinking, some minerals, including serpentine, lawsonite, aragonite, and magnesite, 46 are capable of transporting water and carbon into the deeper mantle (Dasgupta and Hirschmann, 47 2010; Dixon et al., 2002; Flemetakis et al., 2022; Kaminsky, 2012; Kobayashi et al., 2017; 48 Ohtani et al., 2018; Thompson, 1992; Wirth et al., 2009). Among volatile-rich minerals, the 49 humite-group minerals  $[nM_2SiO_4 M_{1-x}Ti_x(F, OH)_{2-2x}O_{2x}]$  have long been considered as 50 significant water and fluorine carriers in subduction slabs (Figure 1) (Akimoto et al., 1977; Engi 51 and Lindsley, 1980; Rice, 1980). Here, M denotes Mg with minor amounts (x < 0.5) of Fe, Mn, 52 Ca, etc., and *n* equals 1, 2, 3, and 4, representing norbergite, chondrodite, humite, and 53 clinohumite, respectively. These minerals naturally form as the product of metamorphism 54 (associated with granitic intrusions) (Evans and Trommsdorff, 1983; Hermann et al., 2007; 55 Selvatitskii and Reverdatto, 2022; Shen et al., 2015). The similarity of the ionic radii of fluorine 56 and hydroxyl (~1.33 Å and 1.40 Å, respectively) with the equal charge allows for the substitution 57 of OH by F in the structure of humite-group minerals (Hughes and Pawley, 2019). In nature, the 58 fluorine concentration ( $X_F = F/(F+OH)$ ) of these minerals ranges from 0.05 to 0.78 (Ehlers and 59 Hoinkes, 1987). 60

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Previous researches have shown that the high-pressure stability of OH-endmember humite-group minerals decreases with increasing temperature (Iwamori, 2004; Wunder, 1998; Yamamoto and Akimoto, 1977). Both OH-chondrodite and OH-clinohumite can only exist below ~950°C and ~1100°C at 12 GPa (~360-km depth), respectively (Burnley and Navrotsky, 1996; Komabayashi

et al., 2005; Smyth et al., 2006; Yamamoto and Akimoto, 1977). The stability of humite and norbergite has received less attention due to their low occurrence in rocks (Stalder and Ulmer, 2001). More importantly, the high-pressure stability of humite-group minerals is highly dependent on their fluorine (F) content (Grützner et al., 2017; Stalder and Ulmer, 2001). The addition of F can significantly broaden their stability field in the mantle (Grützner et al., 2017). In the MgO-SiO<sub>2</sub>-F system, synthetic F-clinohumite, -humite, and -chondrodite can survive to temperatures above 1780 °C at 17 GPa, 200 °C higher than the normal upper mantle geotherm

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(Grützner et al., 2017).

The elastic properties of humite-group minerals are critical in determining seismic wave 75 velocities and identifying their potential presence in the Earth's mantle. However, previous 76 studies on the elasticity of clinohumite have shown complex compositional effects (Fritzel and 77 Bass, 1997; Phan, 2008; Qin et al., 2017; Ross and Crichton, 2001). The isothermal bulk 78 modulus of synthetic OH-clinohumite (Mg<sub>9</sub>Si<sub>4</sub>O<sub>16</sub>(OH)<sub>2</sub>),  $K_{T0}$ , is 119.4(7) GPa with a fixed 79  $(\partial K_T/\partial P)_{T0} = 4.8(2)$ , which is consistent with ultrasonic measurements with the adiabatic bulk 80 modulus, K<sub>s0</sub>, of 119(2) GPa (Phan, 2008; Ross and Crichton, 2001). This synthetic OH-81 clinohumite has a shear modulus,  $G_0$ , of 77(1) GPa (Phan, 2008). In comparison, Brillouin 82 measurements have shown that the (Fe, F)-bearing clinohumite ( $Mg_{8.16}Fe_{0.57}Si_4O_{16}(F_{0.57}, OH_{1.43})$ ) 83 has a larger bulk modulus ( $K_{S0} = 125(2)$  GPa) and a smaller shear modulus ( $G_0 = 73(5)$  GPa) 84 than the corresponding OH-bearing phase (Fritzel and Bass, 1997). However, these values are 85 much smaller than the  $K_{T0}$  of 141-144 GPa for two natural (Ti, F)-bearing clinohumite derived 86 from XRD measurements (Qin et al. (2017). Further research is needed to provide a 87 comprehensive understanding of the influence of composition on the elasticity of clinohumite. 88

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Similarly,  $K_{70}$  of chondrodite also exhibits a strong dependence on the composition (Friedrich et 90 91 al., 2002). The  $K_{T0}$  of OH-chondrodite (Mg<sub>5</sub>Si<sub>2</sub>O<sub>8</sub>(OH)<sub>2</sub>) is 117(2)-118.4(2) GPa with a fixed  $(\partial K_T/\partial P)_{T0} = 4$  from XRD measurements (Kuribayashi et al., 2004; Ross and Crichton, 2001). 92 93 Addition of Fe has a minor effect on the bulk modulus of OH-chondrodite. The adiabatic bulk modulus ( $K_{s0}$ ) of synthetic Fe-bearing OH-chondrodite (Mg<sub>5.05</sub>Fe<sub>0.06</sub>Si<sub>1.95</sub>O<sub>8</sub>(OH)<sub>2</sub>) at ambient 94 conditions measured by Brillouin spectroscopy is 118(1) GPa, similar to the XRD results of the 95 corresponding Fe-free phase (Kuribayashi et al., 2004; Ross and Crichton, 2001). The combined 96 effect of Fe and F on the bulk modulus of chondrodite remains ambiguous. Although  $K_{70}$  of (F, 97 OH)-chondrodite ( $X_F = 0.58-0.63$ ) with 4.4-5.7 mol% Fe ( $X_{Fe} = Fe/(Ti+Fe+Mg)$ ) are 122.0(3)-98 124.1(4) GPa (Friedrich et al., 2002; Kuribayashi et al., 2004), Brillouin measurements on the 99  $K_{S0}$  of (F, OH)-chondrodite with a similar Fe content of 5.4 mol% Fe and  $X_F = 0.32$  yield a much 100 101 lower value of 118(2) GPa (Sinogeikin and Bass, 1999). And the shear modulus ( $G_0$ ) of this Febearing (F, OH)-chondrodite is 75.6(7) GPa, which is greater than that of OH-chondrodite with 102 1.1 mol% Fe ( $G_0 = 70.6(5)$  GPa). The elasticity of humite and norbergite are rarely studied, 103 104 except Kuribayashi et al. (2008) reported the  $K_{T0} = 113(2)$  GPa of (F, OH)-norbergite  $(Mg_{2.98}Si_{0.99}O_4(F_{1.69}, OH_{0.31}))$  using XRD. Further experimental investigation is thus needed to 105 better constrain the influence of composition and structure on the elasticity of humite-group 106 minerals. 107

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In this study, we report the elasticity of four (F, OH)-humite group minerals using Brillouin scattering at ambient conditions, including one chondrodite (Chon), one humite (Hu), and two clinohumite (Chu) (Figure 2). We focus our attention on the compositional effects of the

112	elasticity of humite-group minerals, and by combining our results with all available data, we
113	have further refined the previously established relationships for evaluating the correlation
114	between H <sub>2</sub> O content and elasticity for phases along the forsterite-brucite join in the MgO-SiO <sub>2</sub> -
115	H <sub>2</sub> O system (Sanchez-Valle et al., 2006; Ye et al., 2015).
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117	EXPERIMENTAL METHODS
118	Two clinohumite samples with a dark red color were from Morogoro, Tanzania, while the humite
119	and chondrodite samples were from Mogok, Myanmar. All samples used in this study are natural
120	gem-quality single crystals. The mineral compositions were determined by electron microprobe
121	at the Key Laboratory of Crust-Mantle Materials and Environments, University of Science and
122	Technology of China (USTC) (Table 1). Both clinohumite samples contain a certain amount of
123	Ti with compositions of $Mg_{8.85}Ti_{0.19}Si_{3.93}O_{16}(OH_{1.11}F_{0.89})$ (F <sub>45</sub> -Chu) and
124	$Mg_{8.63}Fe_{0.10}Ti_{0.24}Si_{3.97}O_{16}(OH_{1.84}F_{0.16})$ (F <sub>8</sub> -Chu). The humite and chondrodite samples display
125	compositions of $Mg_{7.03}Si_{3.07}O_{12}(OH_{1.26}F_{0.74})$ (F <sub>37</sub> -Hu) and $Mg_{4.88}Si_{1.94}O_8(OH_{0.78}F_{1.22})$ (F <sub>61</sub> -Chn),
126	respectively. Single-crystal X-ray diffraction was conducted to determine the sample lattice
127	parameters using a Bruker D8 QUEST type X-ray diffractometer at the State Key Laboratory of
128	Geological Processes and Mineral Resources, China University of Geosciences (Wuhan) (Table
129	2). The densities of the respective samples were calculated from the unit-cell volume together
130	with the chemical formula (Table 2).

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Each single crystal was cut into three platelets orthogonal to each other with random crystallographic orientations for Brillouin measurements. These platelets were double-side polished to a thickness of 40 μm, and then Brillouin spectroscopy experiments were performed

under ambient conditions. The Brillouin signals were excited by a 532-nm wavelength laser and 135 captured using a six-pass Sandercock tandem Fabry-Perot interferometer (TFP-2 HC) equipped 136 with a photodiode detector at the High-Pressure Mineral Physics Laboratory of the USTC 137 (Lindsay et al., 1981; Sandercock, 1982). Further details of the Brillouin scattering system setup 138 and the TFP interferometer can be found in references (Online Material<sup>1</sup> Figure S1) (Scarponi et 139 al., 2017; Sinogeikin et al., 2006; Sinogeikin et al., 1998; Speziale et al., 2014). The external 140 scattering angle was calibrated to be 49.5° by both using standard single-crystal MgO and BK-7 141 glass (Online Material<sup>1</sup> Table S1). When observed under a petrographic microscope and cross-142 polarized light, the double-side polished samples exhibit uniform interference colors, indicating 143 the even thickness of our samples (Hou et al., 2022; Waters et al., 2021). Therefore, the impact 144 145 of non-parallelism in the samples is negligible. In a symmetric forward scattering geometry, the measured Brillouin frequency shifts ( $\Delta v_{\rm B}$ ) were converted to the acoustic velocities (v) through 146 the equation (Speziale et al., 2014; Whitfield et al., 1976): 147

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$$\nu = \frac{\Delta \nu_B \lambda_0}{2\sin(\theta/2)} \tag{1}$$

where  $\lambda_0$  is the laser wavelength (532 nm), and  $\theta$  is the external scattering angle (49.5° in this study). Additionally, the Brillouin frequency shift corresponding to each channel number *i* of the spectrum is determined as follows (Zouboulis et al., 2014):

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$$\Delta v = \left[-\frac{A}{\lambda_0} + (i-1) \times \frac{2A}{\lambda_0}\right] \times \frac{c}{N} \times \text{FSR}$$
(2)

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$$FSR = \frac{1}{2nD}$$
(3)

where *A* is the scanning amplitude of the moving mirrors of the Fabry-Perot interferometer (580 nm in this experiment), *c* is the velocity of light in vacuum ( $3 \times 10^8$  m/s), *N* is the total number of

channels (it is set to 1024), FSR is the free spectral range of the interferometer, n is the refractive 156 index (approximate to1), and D is the spacing between the two Fabry-Perot mirrors (0.7 cm, 157 FP1). For each platelet, spectra were collected in 10° step over a range of 180°, with an average 158 collection time of approximately 50 minutes per spectrum (Online Material<sup>1</sup> Tables S2-S5). The 159 uncertainty in the measured velocities using Brillouin scattering in the diamond-anvil cell has 160 been estimated to be less than 0.7% by considering statistical errors from individual peak fitting, 161 the imperfect symmetry in the stocks and anti-stocks, slight misalignment between the two 162 163 diamond anvils in the DAC, and weak angular deviations between the sample and the diamond culet (Sinogeikin and Bass, 2000; Zha et al., 1996). In most directions, we observed one quasi-164 longitudinal mode ( $V_P$ ) and two quasi-shear modes ( $V_{S1}$  and  $V_{S2}$ ). Representative Brillouin 165 spectra are shown in Figure 3. 166

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#### RESULTS

169 Clinohumite and chondrodite crystallize in the monoclinic system (*b*-unique,  $P2_1/c$ ) and were 170 characterized by 13 independent, non-zero elastic constants, while the orthorhombic humite 171 (*Pmcn*) has 9 individual non-zero elastic constants. Single-crystal elastic constants,  $C_{ij}$ s, were 172 derived from a least-squares fitting inversion of the Christoffel equation (Brown, 2018; Brown et 173 al., 1989; Every, 1980):

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$$\det |C_{ijkl} n_j n_l - \rho v^2 \delta_{ik}| = 0$$
(4)

where  $C_{ijkl}$  is the elastic constant in the fourth rank tensor,  $n_j$  and  $n_l$  are the direction cosines of the phonon propagation directions,  $\rho$  is the density, v is the acoustic velocity from Brillouin measurements, and  $\delta_{ik}$  is the Kronecker delta (Table 2). The crystallographic orientation for each platelet was identified by three Eulerian angles ( $\theta$ ,  $\psi$ , and  $\chi$ ), which relate the crystal reference to

the laboratory frame (Shimizu and Sasaki, 1992). To determine the elastic constants and Eulerian 179 angles, we performed an iterative inversion process. We initially utilized existing  $C_{ii}$ s data from 180 clinohumite and chondrodite samples (Fritzel and Bass, 1997; Sinogeikin and Bass, 1999), which 181 share similar structures and compositions, as our initial input for orientation inversion. Following 182 this, we constrained the orientation parameters and performed 2-3 times iterations to invert  $C_{ii}$ s. 183 Subsequently, we simultaneously released constraints on both  $C_{ii}$ s and orientation and performed 184 2-3 times inversion iterations until the root mean square (RMS) remained unchanged, yielding 185 186 the final result. Figures 4 and 5 present the variation of the measured acoustic velocities with respect to the azimuthal angles for each sample. Here, the RMS error for each fitting is less than 187 32 m/s (Table 3). 188

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In the case of low-symmetry minerals like monoclinic clinohumite and chondrodite, selecting the 190 appropriate combination of crystallographic orientations is crucial to accurately determine all the 191  $C_{ii}$ s. We conducted inversion sensitivity tests using velocities measured along 57 different 192 crystallographic directions (Online Material<sup>1</sup> Figures S2-S3) and calculated correlation matrices 193 (Online Material<sup>1</sup> Tables S6-S9). Our analysis demonstrates that all  $C_{ii}$ s of our humite-group 194 samples can be well constrained by the measured sound velocities from three sample platelets. 195 These results provide robust evidence for the accuracy and reliability of our modeled elastic 196 197 moduli. We have also calculated the linear incompressibility,  $\beta$ , using the obtained single-crystal elastic moduli: 198

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$$\boldsymbol{\beta} = S_{ijkk} l_i l_j \tag{5}$$

where  $S_{ijkk}$  is elastic compliance constants,  $l_j$  and  $l_i$  are the unit vector. The matrix notation for the monoclinic and orthogonal crystal systems is represented by the following equations (Nye, 1957):

#### 202 Monoclinic system:

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$$\beta = (S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{13})l_1^2 + (S_{12} + S_{22} + S_{23})l_2^2 + (S_{13} + S_{23} + S_{33})l_3^2 + (S_{15} + S_{25} + S_{35})l_3l_1 \quad (6)$$

204 Orthorhombic system:

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$$\beta = (S_{11} + S_{12} + S_{13})l_1^2 + (S_{12} + S_{22} + S_{23})l_2^2 + (S_{13} + S_{23} + S_{33})l_3^2$$
(7)

where  $S_{ij} = C_{ij}^{-1}$ . Therefore, for both monoclinic and orthorhombic crystals, the axial compressibility ( $\beta_a$ ,  $\beta_b$ , and  $\beta_c$ ) can be expressed as follows:

$$\beta_{a} = S_{11} + S_{22} + S_{13}$$

$$\beta_{b} = S_{12} + S_{22} + S_{23}$$

$$\beta_{c} = S_{13} + S_{23} + S_{33}$$
(8)

The corresponding axial compressibility of our experimental samples is listed in Table 3. Using the obtained single-crystal elasticity, we calculated the  $K_{S0}$  and  $G_0$  via the Voigt-Reuss-Hill averaging scheme (Hill, 1963). The compressional wave velocity ( $V_P$ ) and shear wave velocity ( $V_S$ ) were calculated as follows:

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$$V_{\rm P} = \sqrt{\frac{K_{\rm S0} + \frac{4}{3}G_0}{\rho}}$$
(9)

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$$V_{\rm S} = \sqrt{\frac{G_0}{\rho}} \tag{10}$$

The aggregate bulk and shear moduli for each sample are also shown in Table 3.

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## 217 DISCUSSION

## 218 Clinohumite

Together with previous experimental results (Fritzel and Bass, 1997), we noted that all clinohumite samples display  $C_{22}>C_{11}>C_{33}$  and  $C_{66}\approx C_{44}>C_{55}$  (Table 3). In all the reported

samples, a notable anisotropy in axial compressibility is observed, with  $\beta_c > \beta_a > \beta_b$  (Table 3). This 221 indicates that clinohumite is most incompressible along the *b*-axis and has the lowest resistance 222 to shear in the (010) crystallographic plane. Previous X-ray diffraction experiments on natural 223 and synthetic clinohumite have also demonstrated the highest degree of linear incompressibility 224 along the *b*-axis, while the *c*-axis is most compressible (Qin et al., 2017; Ross and Crichton, 225 2001). It is known that the stiffness of a crystal is primarily controlled by the gross features of its 226 structure with composition playing a secondary role (Webb and Jackson, 1990). The zigzag 227 chains of edge-sharing MO<sub>6</sub>-octahedra aligned along the *a*-axis which are cross-linked by SiO<sub>4</sub>-228 tetrahedra are the key crystal structural units of clinohumite (Figures 2a) (Ferraris et al., 2000; 229 Robinson et al., 1973). SiO<sub>4</sub>-tetrahedra is more incompressible than MO<sub>6</sub>-octahedra. SiO<sub>4</sub>-230 tetrahedron in clinohumite are connected by corner sharing along the *b*-axis, which may explain 231 the higher incompressibility of the *b*-axis than the other two axes (Bass et al., 1984; Sinogeikin 232 and Bass, 1999; Webb and Jackson, 1990). 233

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Using the obtained elastic constants and density, we have calculated the velocity anisotropies of clinohumite (Table 3). The azimuthal P-wave velocity anisotropy  $(AV_P)$  and S-wave splitting  $(AV_S)$  are defined by (Karki et al., 2001):

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$$AV_{\rm P} = \frac{V_{\rm P,max} - V_{\rm P,min}}{V_{\rm P,aver}} \times 100\%$$
(11)

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$$AV_{\rm S} = \frac{|V_{\rm S1} - V_{\rm S2}|}{V_{\rm S, aver}} \times 100\%$$
(12)

where  $AV_{\rm S}$  is the difference between the speeds of the two transverse polarizations ( $V_{\rm S1}$  and  $V_{\rm S2}$ ) propagating in the same direction. The results reveal that the maximum  $AV_{\rm P}$  of clinohumite is parallel to the *b*-axis (polarization [010]), and the highest  $AV_{\rm S}$  is present at ~45° between the *a*-

and *b*-axes. Together with previous experimental results, we have noted that clinohumite with varying F and Ti content has a similar  $AV_P$  value of 21.9-24.2% and  $AV_S$  of 15.0-16.5% (Table 3) (Fritzel and Bass, 1997). The single-crystal elastic anisotropy of clinohumite is similar to the upper-mantle olivine with  $AV_P = 25\%$  and  $AV_S = 18\%$  at ambient conditions (Jacobsen et al., 2008).

Using the obtained single-crystal elastic constants and density, we have computed the adiabatic bulk and shear moduli at ambient conditions and compared them with all available literature data derived from direct measurements by Brillouin scattering and ultrasonic study (Table 4) (Fritzel and Bass, 1997; Phan, 2008; Sinogeikin and Bass, 1999; Ye et al., 2015; Zhang et al., 2023). We first considered the influence of F and OH substitution on the elastic moduli of clinohumite. For clinohumite with Fe content less than 1.1 mol%, the substitution of OH by F leads to an obvious linear increase in the  $K_{S0}$  and  $G_0$  following (the solid red lines in Figure 6a):

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$$K_{\rm S0} = 119.4(18) + 12.2(60) \times X_{\rm F}$$
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$$G_0 = 76.7(12) + 3.6(40) \times X_F$$
(14)

where  $X_F = F/(F+OH)$ . Addition of Fe causes an apparent decrease in the  $G_0$ . Specifically, the  $G_0$ of clinohumite with 6.1 mol% Fe and  $X_F = 0.29$  is 7.1% lower than the corresponding Fe-free phase with the same F content. Due to limited experimental results for the elasticity and sound velocity of Fe-bearing humite-group minerals, it is challenging to accurately describe the combined effect of Fe and F (H<sub>2</sub>O) on the elasticity and sound velocity of the humite-group minerals. We thus simply assume that the addition of Fe leads to a linear reduction in the elasticity and sound velocity of humite-group minerals for a given H<sub>2</sub>O content. As a result, we

provide a preliminary constraint on the combined effect of Fe and F on the  $G_0$  of clinohumite (the dashed red line in Figure 6a):

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$$G_0 = 76.7 + 3.6 \times X_F - 0.8 \times X_{Fe}$$
(15)

where  $X_{\text{Fe}} = \text{Fe}/(\text{Ti+Fe+Mg})$ . We further explore the influence of H<sub>2</sub>O content on the elasticity of clinohumite at ambient conditions. Both  $K_{\text{S0}}$  and  $G_0$  of clinohumite follow a linear decrease with increasing H<sub>2</sub>O content when the Fe content is less than 1.1 mol.% (the solid red lines in Figure 6b):

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$$K_{\rm S0} = 131.2(46) - 4.1(21) \times C_{\rm H2O}$$
 (16)

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$$G_0 = 80.0(32) - 1.1(14) \times C_{H_{20}}$$
(17)

where  $C_{\text{H}_{2}\text{O}}$  is the weight percentage of H<sub>2</sub>O in clinohumite. Increasing the Fe content causes a reduction in the  $G_0$  but has a minor effect on the  $K_{\text{S}_0}$ . The net effect of Fe and H<sub>2</sub>O content on the  $G_0$  of clinohumite can be expressed as (the dash red line in Figure 6b):

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$$G_0 = 80.0 - 1.1 \times C_{H_{20}} - 0.8 \times X_{F_e}$$
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#### 279 Humite

Our study reports experimental constraints on the elastic properties of orthorhombic humite 280 (Table 3). The elastic constants of our humite sample (F<sub>37</sub>-Hu) show  $C_{22}>C_{11}>C_{33}$  and 281  $C_{66} \approx C_{44} > C_{55}$ , which are similar to clinohumite. This indicates that humite shares the same axial 282 283 compressional  $(\beta_c > \beta_a > \beta_b)$  and shear elastic properties as clinohumite. In humite, as in clinohumite, the key structural units contain jagged chains of edge-sharing MO<sub>6</sub>-octahedra and 284 two distinct SiO<sub>4</sub>-tetrahedra (Figure 2b) (Ribbe and Gibbs, 1971). And likewise, since the SiO<sub>4</sub>-285 tetrahedra are arranged in the *b*-direction, the *b*-direction is the stiffest. Moreover, the anisotropy 286 287 of humite also exhibits a similar pattern to clinohumite, with the fastest P-wave propagating

288	along the <i>b</i> -axis direction (polarization [010]) and the highest S-wave splitting at $\sim 45^{\circ}$ between
289	the <i>a</i> - and <i>b</i> -axes. Furthermore, it is interesting to note that both $K_{S0}$ and $G_0$ of humite follow the
290	same trends with increasing $H_2O$ content as clinohumite (the solid red lines in Figures 6a and 6b)
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## 292 Chondrodite

In Table 3, we summarized the elasticity of chondrodite with varying compositions (Sinogeikin 293 and Bass, 1999; Ye et al., 2015). Our Fe-free F<sub>61</sub>-chondrodite exhibits  $\beta_a > \beta_c > \beta_b$  ( $C_{22} > C_{33} > C_{11}$ ). 294 This is consistent with previous experimental results for OH-chondrodite with or without Fe 295 (Kuribayashi et al., 2004; Ross and Crichton, 2001; Ye et al., 2015). In contrast, the net effect of 296 F and Fe tends to enhance the incompressibility of chondrodite along the *a*-axis ( $C_{11}$ ), leading to 297  $\beta_c > \beta_a > \beta_b$  ( $C_{22} > C_{11} > C_{33}$ ) (Friedrich et al., 2002; Kuribayashi et al., 2004; Sinogeikin and Bass, 298 1999). For the shear moduli, our Fe-free chondrodite (F<sub>61</sub>-Chn) has  $C_{66} \approx C_{44} > C_{55}$ , while Fe-299 bearing chondrodite samples exhibit  $C_{66} > C_{55} > C_{44}$  (Sinogeikin and Bass, 1999; Ye et al., 2015). 300 By combining the elasticity and density, we calculated the velocity anisotropy of the chondrodite 301 (Table 3). The P-wave velocity anisotropy of chondrodite is similar to clinohumite, with the 302 fastest P-wave propagating along the *b*-axis direction (polarization [010]), whereas it has the 303 highest AV<sub>s</sub> along the [111] direction. And compared to clinohumite, chondrodite has a slightly 304 lower AV<sub>P</sub> but similar AV<sub>S</sub> (Fritzel and Bass, 1997; Sinogeikin and Bass, 1999; Ye et al., 2015). 305

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We compared the elastic moduli of chondrodite with varying compositions determined by Brillouin scattering (Table 3) (Sinogeikin and Bass, 1999; Ye et al., 2015). The limited sensitivity of  $K_{s0}$  to Fe content may be attributed to the weak impact of Fe substitution on the M-O bond length (unit cell volume) (Ye et al., 2015; Ye et al., 2013). Moreover, in some minerals

within the MSH system, the presence of a small amount of Fe (less than 10 mol%) has a minimal effect on the bulk modulus, such as olivine and orthopyroxene (Jackson et al., 1999; Nestola et al., 2011). Therefore, the  $K_{S0}$  is nearly independent of the Fe content and exhibits a linear increase (decrease) with the F (H<sub>2</sub>O) content (the solid blue lines in Figure 6a):

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$$K_{\rm S0} = 117.6(10) + 3.9(24) \times X_{\rm F}$$
 (19)

$$316 K_{\rm S0} = 121.3(18) - 0.7(5) \times C_{\rm H20} (20)$$

These trends suggest that Fe content has a negligible effect on the  $K_{S0}$  of chondrodite. However,  $G_0$  of chondrodite with 5.4 mol% Fe is unusually greater than the corresponding Fe-free phase with the same H<sub>2</sub>O content estimated from the linear trend in Figure 6 (Sinogeikin and Bass, 1999). Due to limited experimental data and great anomalous  $G_0$  of chondrodite with 5.4 mol% Fe, future studies are expected to provide more reliable constraints on the influence of the net effect of Fe and H<sub>2</sub>O on the elasticity of chondrodite.

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## 324 Humite-group minerals

We further investigated the relationship between sound velocity and H<sub>2</sub>O content for humitegroup minerals (Figure 6c). Regardless of the specific structure, compressional ( $V_P$ ) and shearwave ( $V_S$ ) velocities of all the humite-group minerals follow the same linear decrease with increasing H<sub>2</sub>O content when the Fe content is less than 1.1 mol% (Fritzel and Bass, 1997; Sinogeikin and Bass, 1999; Ye et al., 2015) (the solid grey lines in Figure 6c):

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$$V_{\rm P} = 8.51(5) - 0.05(2) \times C_{\rm H2O}$$
 (21)

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$$V_{\rm S} = 5.02(5) - 0.05(2) \times C_{\rm H20}$$
 (22)

These linear relationships between  $H_2O$  content and sound velocities indicate that composition instead of structure plays the dominant role in the sound velocity of humite-group minerals.

Besides H<sub>2</sub>O content, Fe is the other factor causing a further reduction in sound velocity. Since 334 the experimental data are limited, here we provide preliminary estimations on the combined 335 effect of  $H_2O$  and Fe content on the  $V_P$  and  $V_S$  of humite-group minerals (the dash lines in Figure 336 6c): 337  $V_{\rm P} = 8.51 - 0.05 \times C_{\rm H2O} - 0.02(1) \times X_{\rm Fe}$ (23)338 339  $V_{\rm S} = 5.02 - 0.05 \times C_{\rm H2O} - 0.04(1) \times X_{\rm Fe}$ (24)340 341

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## **IMPLICATIONS**

A previous study has shown that the substitution of fluorine for hydroxyl can significantly 343 expand the temperature stability of clinohumite above the normal mantle geotherm at high 344 pressures (Grützner et al., 2017). Clinohumite, as well as other humite-group minerals, could be 345 important water and fluorine carriers to the Earth's deep mantle, and if found within the Earth's 346 interior, they are likely to be present in lithospheric material that gets subducted down to 347 (potentially) transition zone depths (Akimoto et al., 1977; Engi and Lindsley, 1980; Grützner et 348 al., 2017; Rice, 1980). Here, we compared the sound velocity of measured humite-group 349 minerals to that of major mantle minerals. Although our obtained results are at ambient 350 conditions, such comparison provides important insights into the influence of humite-minerals on 351 the mantle velocity structure. 352

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At ambient conditions, all of our measured humite-group minerals have a similar  $V_P$  to that of olivine (Figure 7). The difference in  $V_P$  between our measured humite-group minerals and olivine is within 1.8% (Mao et al., 2015). Our measured humite-group minerals have  $V_P$  4.5-6.9%

and 3-5.3% greater than orthopyroxene and clinopyroxene, respectively, but their  $V_{\rm P}$  is 5.5-7.7% 357 lower than garnet (Li and Neuville, 2010; Li et al., 2022; Wei et al., 2021). The difference in  $V_{\rm S}$ 358 among our measured humite-group minerals and upper mantle minerals is within 5.7%. 359 Considering a maximum volume percentage of 8 vol.%, the presence of humite-group minerals 360 in the upper mantle might have a weak effect on the upper mantle velocity structure. As noted 361 above, the addition of F can greatly expand the stability pressure and temperature range of 362 clinohumite in the Earth's mantle. Clinohumite can remain stable in the mantle transition zone 363 364 when F concentration exceeds  $\sim 0.45$ . Here, we have shown that under ambient conditions, although the  $V_{\rm S}$  of F<sub>45</sub>-clinohumite is only 1.2% lower than majoritic garnet, its  $V_{\rm P}$  is 4.6-9.3% 365 lower than wadsleyite and majoritic garnet (Mao et al., 2015; Wei et al., 2021). The difference in 366  $V_{\rm S}$  between F<sub>45</sub>-clinohumite and wadsleyite is as large as 9.5%. In this case, the presence of 367 368 clinohumite could lead to a substantial decrease in the mantle transition zone velocity.

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In addition, compared to other hydrous phases in the upper mantle, such as phases A and E, 370 humite-group minerals exhibit higher  $V_{\rm P}$  and  $V_{\rm S}$  (Figure 7). In the Fe-free system, OH-371 372 chondrodite displays the lowest sound velocities ( $V_P=8.25(12)$  km/s and  $V_S=4.76(12)$  km/s) within the humite-group minerals at ambient conditions. Despite these relatively low values 373 within the humite-group minerals, the  $V_{\rm P}$  of chondrodite still exceeds that of Fe-free phase A by 374 375 2.9%, and its  $V_{\rm P}$  and  $V_{\rm S}$  are 5.8% and 4.6% higher than those of Fe-free phase E, respectively 376 (Cai et al., 2021; Wang et al., 2022). Incorporation of Fe will lead to a reduction in both  $V_{\rm P}$  and  $V_{\rm S}$  of chondrodite, phase A, and phase E (Sanchez-Valle et al., 2006; Satta et al., 2019). Addition 377 of 1 mol.% Fe lowers the  $V_{\rm P}$  and  $V_{\rm S}$  of chondrodite by 0.2% and 0.8%. In comparison, the same 378 amount of Fe can produce a 0.6% and 2.3% reduction in the  $V_{\rm P}$  and  $V_{\rm S}$  for phase A and a 0.3% 379

reduction in both  $V_{\rm P}$  and  $V_{\rm S}$  for phase E. In this case, the presence of Fe has a greater effect on the sound velocity of phase A than chondrodite and phase E.

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The humite-group minerals [nMg<sub>2</sub>SiO<sub>4</sub>·Mg(OH)<sub>2</sub>] consist of a series of phases along the 383 forsterite-brucite join in the MgO-SiO<sub>2</sub>-H<sub>2</sub>O system. Along this join, the composition has been 384 shown to play a more relevant role in determining the elasticity and sound velocities than 385 386 structure (Jacobsen et al., 2008; Kuribayashi et al., 2008; Ross and Crichton, 2001; Sanchez-387 Valle et al., 2006; Ye et al., 2015). The relationships between  $H_2O$  content and density (elastic moduli and velocity) of various phases along the forsterite-brucite join have been reported in 388 previous studies (Sanchez-Valle et al., 2006; Ye et al., 2015). Here, we combined the data of 389 humite-group minerals determined in this study together with those of phase A, forsterite, and 390 brucite along the forsterite-brucite join to plot a more explicit trend (Figure 8). Increasing H<sub>2</sub>O 391 content from anhydrous forsterite to brucite leads to a substantial decrease in density, elasticity, 392 and sound velocities. The relationship between H<sub>2</sub>O content and density (elastic moduli and 393 394 sound velocities) derived here is consistent with previous studies (Sanchez-Valle et al., 2006; Ye 395 et al., 2015):

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$$\rho = 3.23(1) - 0.027(1) \times C_{\text{H2O}}$$
 (25)

$$K_{\rm S0} = 128.5(8) - 2.66(5) \times C_{\rm HO} \tag{26}$$

$$G_0 = 81.1(6) - 1.49(4) \times C_{\text{H2O}}$$
(27)

$$V_{\rm P} = 8.61(3) - 0.075(3) \times C_{\rm H2O}$$
(28)

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$$V_{\rm S} = 5.03(1) - 0.038(1) \times C_{\rm H20}$$
 (29)

401 On the opposite, elasticity and sound velocities of phases along the forsterite-brucite join exhibit 402 a linear increase with increasing density, which can be expressed as (Figure 9):

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$$K_{so} = 98.0(17) \times \rho - 188.1(53)$$
 (30)

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$$G_0 = 54.9(13) \times \rho - 96.1(40)$$
 (31)

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$$V_{\rm P} = 2.79(7) \times \rho - 0.40(22)$$
 (32)

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$$V_{\rm s} = 1.40(4) \times \rho - 0.51(12)$$
 (33)

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Along the forsterite-brucite join when the Fe content is less than 5 mol.%, the addition of Fe was noted to have a weak effect on the density, elasticity, and sound velocities at a given H<sub>2</sub>O content (Figure 8). But when we plot the elastic moduli (sound velocities) of phases along the forsteritebrucite join as a function of density, the presence of Fe causes an obvious offset of the elasticity (sound velocity) to lower values. Regardless the specific Fe content, the relationship between density and elastic moduli (sound velocities) for these Fe-bearing phases can be expressed as:

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$$K_{s0} = 60.3(44) \times \rho - 72(15)$$
 (34)

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$$G_0 = 42.5(45) \times \rho - 63(15)$$
 (35)

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$$V_{\rm P} = 0.95(17) \times \rho + 5.2(6)$$
 (36)

417 
$$V_{\rm S} = 0.64(17) \times \rho + 2.7(5)$$
 (37)

The experimental results obtained in this study are valuable to provide better constraints on the elasticity of humite-group minerals and confirm the previous observations along the bruciteforsterite join (Sanchez-Valle et al., 2006; Ye et al., 2015). Additionally, to determine the specific impact of Fe content on the elastic properties of phases along the forsterite-brucite join, it is necessary to have more elasticity data for Fe-bearing samples in future studies.

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FIGURE 1. Composition of minerals in the MgO-SiO<sub>2</sub>-H<sub>2</sub>O system. A: phase A (Holl et al., 727 2006); Ahy B: anhydrous phase B (Finger et al., 1991); B: phase B (Finger et al., 1991); Br: 728 brucite (Nagai et al., 2000); Chn: chondrodite (Lager et al., 2001); Chu: clinohumite (Berry and 729 James, 2001); D: phase D (Nishi et al., 2014); E: phase E (Wang et al., 2022); En: enstatite 730 (Sanchez-Valle and Bass, 2010); Fo: forsterite (Hushur et al., 2009); H: phase H (Ohtani et al., 731 2014); Hy wds: hydrous wadsleyite ( $C_{H2O}$  up to 3.3 wt.%) (Kudoh et al., 1996); Hu: humite (Liu 732 et al., 2021); Nrb: norbegite (Camara, 1997); Shy B: supper hydrous phase B (Ohtani et al., 733 1995); Srp: serpentine (Mookherjee and Stixrude, 2009); 10 Å: 10-Å phase (Rashchenko et al., 734 2016); Tlc: talc (Stixrude, 2002). 735

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FIGURE 2. Crystal structures of (a) clinohumite (Berry and James, 2001), (b) humite (Liu et al.,
2021), (c) chondrodite (Lager et al., 2001), and (d) forsterite (Hushur et al., 2009). Orange: MO<sub>6</sub>
octahedra; blue: SiO<sub>4</sub> tetrahedra; orange spheres: O atoms; blue spheres: Si atoms; red spheres: O
atoms; white spheres: H atoms. Crystal structures were drawn using VESTA software (Momma
and Izumi, 2011).

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FIGURE 3. Representative Brillouin spectra of humite-group minerals at ambient conditions. (a) F-rich clinohumite ( $F_{45}$ -Chu); (b) F-poor clinohumite ( $F_{8}$ -Chu); (c) humite ( $F_{37}$ -Hu); (d) chondrodite ( $F_{61}$ -Chn). Black line: experimental data; colored lines: fitting results. R: Rayleigh line;  $V_p$ : quasi-longitudinal acoustic mode;  $V_{S2}$ : quasi-transverse fast acoustic mode;  $V_{S1}$ : quasitransversal slow acoustic mode.

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**FIGURE 4.** Measured acoustic velocities of clinohumite. (a)-(c): clinohumite with  $X_F = 0.45$ (F<sub>45</sub>-Chu); (d)-(f) clinohumite with  $X_F = 0.08$  (F<sub>8</sub>-Chu), respectively. The orientation of each sample platelet is shown in each panel. Red:  $V_P$ ; Blue:  $V_{S2}$ ; Orange:  $V_{S1}$ .

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**FIGURE 5.** Measured acoustic velocities of humite and chondrodite. (a)-(c): humite with  $X_F = 0.37$  (F<sub>37</sub>-Hu); (d)-(f): chondrodite with  $X_F = 0.61$  (F<sub>61</sub>-Chn), respectively. The orientation of each sample platelet is shown in each panel. Red:  $V_P$ ; Blue:  $V_{S2}$ ; Orange:  $V_{S1}$ .

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FIGURE 6. Elasticity and sound velocities of the humite-group minerals at ambient conditions. 762 763 (a) elastic modulus as a function of fluorine concentration; (b) elastic modulus as a function of water content; (c) velocity as a function of water content. The solid lines represent the linear fits 764 of the elasticity (sound velocity) for humite-group minerals with less than 1.1 mol% Fe, while 765 the dashed line is obtained by assuming a linear reduction in the elasticity (sound velocity) 766 caused by the presence of Fe at a given H<sub>2</sub>O content. Red solid circles: clinohumite in this study; 767 red open circles: clinohumite from previous studies (Fritzel and Bass, 1997; Phan, 2008); orange 768 769 triangles: humite in this study; blue solid circles: chondrodite in this study; blue open circles: chondrodite from previous studies (Sinogeikin and Bass, 1999; Ye et al., 2015). 770

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773 FIGURE 7. Velocities of major mantle minerals and humite-group minerals at ambient 774 775 conditions. Blue circles: major mantle minerals, including olivine (Mao et al., 2015), orthopyroxene (Li et al., 2022), clinopyroxene (Li and Neuville, 2010), wadsleyite (Mao et al., 776 2015), garnet (Wei et al., 2021), phase A (Cai et al., 2021; Sanchez-Valle et al., 2006), and phase 777 E (Satta et al., 2019; Wang et al., 2022). Red circles: the F-bearing humite-group minerals 778 reported in this study, including F<sub>61</sub>-chondrodite, F<sub>37</sub>-humite, F<sub>8</sub>-clinohumite, and F<sub>45</sub>-779 clinohumite. More details can be found in Online Material<sup>1</sup> Table S10. 780

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FIGURE 8. Density, elasticity, and sound velocities of minerals along the forsterite-brucite join 783 at ambient conditions. (a) density,  $\rho$ ; (b) adiabatic bulk moduli ( $K_{\rm S0}$ ) and shear moduli ( $G_0$ ); (c) 784 Compressional-  $(V_P)$  and shear-wave velocities  $(V_S)$ . Red line: the trends for Mg-end member 785 compositions; blue line: the trends for Fe-end member compositions with the same slope as 786 trends for Mg-end members. Circles: olivine; squares: humite-group minerals; diamonds: phase 787 788 A; triangles: brucite; stars: humite-group minerals of this study. Colors are related to the mole percentage of Fe in these minerals, with red indicating Fe content below 10%, while blue 789 represents the Fe-end member. 790

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**FIGURE 9.** Elasticity and sound velocities of minerals along the forsterite-brucite join as a function of density. (a) elasticity; (b) sound velocities. Circles: forsterite (olivine); squares: humite-group minerals; diamonds: phase A; triangles: brucite; stars: humite-group minerals of this study. Colors are related to the mole percentage of Fe in these minerals.

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TABLE 1. Composition of humite-group minerals from electron microprobe analyses <sup>a</sup>

Oxide (wt.%)	F45-Chu	F <sub>8</sub> -Chu	F <sub>37</sub> -Hu	F <sub>61</sub> -Chn
MgO	56.99(45)	55.33(25)	57.49(24)	56.80(22)
FeO	0.09(3)	1.09(7)	0.29(7)	0.17(7)
CaO		0.026(6)	0.021(8)	0.026(9)
MnO	0.02(2)	0.05(5)	0.01(2)	0.017(17)
$Al_2O_3$	0.008(11)	0.02(1)	0.009(11)	0.005(8)
SiO <sub>2</sub>	37.75(31)	37.98(20)	37.44(15)	33.60(20)
F	2.71(9)	0.47(25)	2.86(17)	6.70(14)
TiO <sub>2</sub>	2.39(8)	3.06(5)	0.42(2)	0.15(2)
$\mathrm{H}_{2}\mathrm{O}^{\mathrm{b}}$	1.5	2.5	2.2	1.9
Atom (apfu <sup>c</sup> )		· · · · · ·		
Mg	8.85	8.63	7.03	4.88
Fe	0.008	0.10	0.02	0.01
Ca		0.003	0.002	0.002
Mn	0.002	0.005	0.001	0.001
Al	0.001	0.003	0.001	0.002
Si	3.93	3.97	3.07	1.94
F	0.89	0.16	0.74	1.22
Ti	0.19	0.24	0.03	0.006

<sup>a</sup> EMPA uses a fixed oxygen atom counting method, converting the weight percentage of oxide into atomic or molecular ratios.

<sup>b</sup> The wt.% of  $H_2O/H$  is calculated from stoichiometry, assuming the mole ratio H:O to be 2:18.

<sup>c</sup> Atoms per formula unit, the propagated errors are in the parentheses

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**TABLE 2.** The unit-cell parameters and density of humite-group minerals at ambient conditions

806		F45-Chu	F <sub>8</sub> -Chu	F <sub>37</sub> -Hu	F <sub>61</sub> -Chn
807	<i>a</i> (Å)	13.6423(3)	13.6387(7)	20.8114(13)	7.8284(2)
808	<i>b</i> (Å)	4.7364(1)	4.7333(2)	4.7353(3)	4.7272(1)
809	<i>c</i> (Å)	10.2332(3)	10.2346(5)	10.2421(6)	10.2481(3)
810	$\beta$ °	100.910(1)	100.918(2)	90	109.140(1)
810	$V(\text{\AA}^3)$	649.27(4)	648.75(8)	1009.34(17)	358.28 (3)
811	$\rho (g/cm^3)$	3.208(1)	3.219(1)	3.207(1)	3.136(1)
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# 815 **TABLE 3.** Elastic properties of humite-group minerals under ambient conditions

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	Clinohumite (Chu)			Chon	Humite (Hu)		
	F <sub>45</sub> -Chu (This study)	F <sub>8</sub> -Chu (This study)	F <sub>29</sub> -Chu <sup>a</sup>	F <sub>61</sub> -Chn (This study)	F <sub>32</sub> -Chn <sup>b</sup>	OH-Chn <sup>c</sup>	F <sub>37</sub> -Hu (This study)
$\rho (g/cm^3)$	3.208(1)	3.219(1)	3.261(1)	3.136(1)	3.227(10)	3.099(1)	3.207(1)
$C_{ij}$ (GPa)							
$C_{11}$ (C <sub>33</sub> )	210.6(9)	211.1(7)	212(2)	192.1(9)	213.4(15)	188.0(7)	220.0(17)
$C_{22}(C_{11})$	314.1(13)	301.7(6)	296(2)	285.2(8)	275.3(15)	278.0(10)	292.5(11)
$C_{33}$ (C <sub>22</sub> )	206.2(9)	194.2(8)	191(2)	198.8(9)	198.4(12)	195.7(7)	200.6(12)
$C_{44}$ (C <sub>66</sub> )	79.3(7)	75.2(5)	72.0(8)	74.5(10)	69.7(6)	64.0(10)	76.5(6)
$C_{55}(C_{44})$	71.8(4)	66.6(4)	65(1)	70.8(5)	72.1(9)	68.3(4)	70.1(6)
$C_{66}$ (C <sub>55</sub> )	80.1(5)	78.2(3)	74.3(8)	74.5(9)	75.2(7)	71.3(5)	78.2(7)
$C_{12}$ (C <sub>13</sub> )	69.8(9)	67.5(8)	66(3)	65.1(27)	70(3)	61(10)	67.0(27)
$C_{13}$ (C <sub>23</sub> )	72.9(7)	64.2(9)	80(4)	71.3(7)	59(2)	71.4(7)	68.8(14)
$C_{23}(C_{12})$	69.1(15)	66.3(16)	72(7)	74.7(26)	67(3)	74(3)	64.0(12)
$C_{15}(C_{14})$	9.3(5)	-11.1(6)	-0.3(6)	0.5(5)	7.2(10)	3.9(4)	
$C_{25}(C_{24})$	3.9(10)	-0.8(14)	1(2)	-2.1(24)	-1.7(12)	2.6(10)	
$C_{35}(C_{34})$	5.1(5)	-3.3(5)	2(1)	5.5(6)	-2.6(8)	2.5(4)	
$C_{46}$ (C <sub>56</sub> )	1.6(5)	-0.6(4)	-0.6(7)	0.4(7)	-0.7(4)	4.1(6)	
RMS (m/s)	32	20	94	20	84	39	38
$\beta_{a}$ (GPa <sup>-1</sup> )	0.0031(1)	0.0031(1)	0.0029(1)	0.0034(1)	0.0031(1)	0.0035(1)	0.0029(1)
$\beta_{\rm b} ({\rm GPa}^{-1})$	0.0018(1)	0.0019(1)	0.0019(1)	0.0019(1)	0.0020(1)	0.0020(1)	0.0020(1)
$\beta_{\rm c}  ({\rm GPa}^{-1})$	0.0032(1)	0.0035(1)	0.0033(1)	0.0031(1)	0.0034(1)	0.0031(1)	0.0034(1)
$AV_{\rm P}$ (%)	23.1	24.2	21.9	19.7	16.7	19.9	18.8
$AV_{\rm S}$ (%)	15.0	16.2	16.5	14.1	12.3	15.9	12.1
$K_{\text{Voigt}}$ (GPa)	128.3(5)	122.6(5)	126.1(19)	122.0(9)	119.9(11)	119.4(23)	123.6(8)
$G_{\text{Voigt}}$ (GPa)	80.8(2)	77.9(2)	74.3(6)	75.0(3)	76.1(4)	71.1(7)	79.2(3)
$K_{\text{Reuss}}$ (GPa)	124.1(4)	120.5(4)	123.3(35)	118.8(8)	117.4(30)	116.4(16)	121.1(6)
$G_{\text{Reuss}}$ (GPa)	78.5(4)	75.7(4)	72(10)	73.3(10)	75.0(14)	69.2(7)	77.6(3)
$K_{\rm S0}$ (GPa)	126.2 (3)	120.5(3)	125(2)	120.4(6)	118.4(16)	118(1)	122.4(5)
$G_0$ (GPa)	79.7(2)	76.8(2)	73(5)	74.1(5)	75.6(7)	70.6(5)	78.4(2)
$V_{\rm P}$ (km/s)	8.51(1)	8.32(1)	8.26(9)	8.36(2)	8.24(5)	8.26(8)	8.41(1)
$V_{\rm S}$ (km/s)	4.98(1)	4.88(1)	4.7(3)	4.86(2)	4.84(3)	4.76(4)	4.94(1)

Notes: The elastic constants are given in the standard monoclinic coordinate system (*b*-unique,  $P2_1/c$ ), while the values inside parentheses are those for an *a*-unique coordinate system ( $P2_1/b$ ). <sup>a</sup>Fritzel and Bass (1997): Mg<sub>8.85</sub>Fe<sub>0.57</sub>Si<sub>4.07</sub>O<sub>16</sub>(OH<sub>1.41</sub>F<sub>0.57</sub>)

<sup>b</sup>Sinogeikin and Bass (1999): Mg<sub>4.69</sub>Fe<sub>0.27</sub>Mn<sub>0.01</sub>Ti<sub>0.02</sub>(SiO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>F<sub>0.63</sub>(OH)<sub>1.33</sub>O<sub>0.04</sub>

<sup>c</sup>Ye et al. (2015):  $Mg_{5.047}Fe_{0.058}Si_{1.945}O_{10}H_2$ 

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# 819 **TABLE 4.** Isotropic aggregate properties of minerals along the forsterite-brucite join

Mineral	$C_{\mathrm{H2O}}$ (wt.%)	$X_{\rm Fe} ({ m mol}\%)$	$\rho (g/cm^3)$	K <sub>S0</sub> (GPa)	G <sub>0</sub> (GPa)	$V_{\rm P}$ (km/s)	$V_{\rm S}$ (km/s)
Olivine		· · ·					· ·
Sumino (1979)	0	100	4.400	137.9(14)	50.9(1)	6.84(3)	3.40(1)
Suzuki et al. (1983)	0	0	3.225(1)	128.9(2)	81.4(2)	8.58(1)	5.02(1)
Webb (1989)	0	9.4	3.348(3)	128.9	81.1	8.42	4.92
Isaak et al. (1989)	0	0	3.222(7)	128.8(5)	81.8(2)	8.59(3)	5.04(5)
Zaug et al. (1993)	0	10	3.340	129.0(6)	77.6(4)	8.33(4)	4.82(2)
Isaak et al. (1993)	0	100	4.387(6)	135.8(13)	50.9(3)	6.82(3)	3.41(1)
Zha et al. (1996)	0	0	3.221(1)	128.8(5)	81.6(2)	8.59(3)	5.03(1)
Abramson et al. (1997)	0	10.8	3.355	129.4(5)	78.0(3)	8.34(4)	4.82(2)
Zha et al. (1998)	0	10	3.343(1)	131.1(19)	79.4(8)	8.42(9)	4.87(5)
Darling et al. (2004)	0	9.4	3.311	127.1(6)	77.5(3)	8.31(4)	4.81(2)
Li et al. (2004)	0	0	3.222(7)	125(5)	81(1)	8.50(5)	5.01(2)
Speziale et al. (2004)	0	94	4.388(9)	137.6 (3)	51.2(2)	6.85(1)	3.42(1)
Liu et al. (2005)	0	10	3.342	130.3(4)	77.4(2)	8.36(5)	4.81(2)
Jacobsen et al. (2008)	0.8	3.0	3.240(3)	125.2(8)	77.7(3)	8.40(1)	4.90(1)
Jacobsen et al. (2008)	0.9	0	3.180(3)	125.4(2)	79.6(1)	8.53(1)	5.00(1)
Wang (2008)	0.6	8	3.292	128.6(11)	79.0(3)	8.43(5)	4.90(1)
Mao et al. (2015)	0	10.0	3.343(3)	129.8(9)	77.8(5)	8.36(1)	4.82(1)
Zhang and Bass (2016)	0	9.5	3.341(3)	129(2)	78(2)	8.33(3)	4.80(3)
Faccincani et al. (2023)	0.2	9.8	3.345(6)	129.5(3)	78.1(1)	8.36(1)	4.83(1)
Clinohumite							
Fritzel and Bass (1997)	2.0	6.1	3.261(1)	125(2)	73(5)	8.26(9)	4.7(3)
Phan (2008)	2.9	0	3.134(1)	119(2)	77(1)	8.41(9)	4.96(8)
Zhang et al. (2023)	1.7	0	3.199(2)	121.0(5)	76.5(2)	8.40(2)	4.90(2)
F <sub>45</sub> -Chu <sub>98</sub> , this study	1.6	0	3.208(1)	126.2(3)	79.7(2)	8.51(1)	4.98(1)
F <sub>8</sub> -Chu <sub>96</sub> , this study	2.6	1.1	3.219(1)	120.5(3)	76.8(2)	8.32(1)	4.88(1)
Humite							
F <sub>37</sub> -Hu <sub>100</sub> , this study	2.4	0	3.207(1)	122.4(3)	78.4(2)	8.41(1)	4.94(1)
Chondrodite							
Sinogeikin and Bass (1999)	3.3	5.4	3.227(10)	118.4(16)	75.6(7)	8.24(5)	4.84(3)
Ye et al. (2015)	5.3	1.1	3.099(1)	117.9(12)	70.1(5)	8.26(8)	4.76(4)
$F_{61}$ -Chn <sub>100</sub> , this study	2.1	0	3.136(1)	120.4(3)	74.1(5)	8.36(2)	4.86(2)
Phase A							
Sanchez-Valle et al. (2006)	11.7	1.9	2.976(1)	106(1)	61(1)	7.93(8)	4.53(8)
Phan (2008)	11.8	0	2.949(1)	100(2)	61(1)	7.84(9)	4.55(8)
Cai et al. (2021)	11.8	0	2.973(2)	102.1(5)	66.7(3)	8.02(1)	4.74(1)
Brucite				~ /			~ /
Xia et al. (1998)	30.9	0	2.380(1)	46(1)	34.9(5)	6.2(1)	3.83(5)
Jiang et al. (2006)	30.9	0	2.380(1)	43.8(8)	35.2(3)	6.2(1)	3.85(3)



# Figure 1



# Figure 2



Figure 3



Figure 4



Figure 5



Figure 6



Figure 7





Figure 9