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2   **The NaCl–CaCO$_3$ and NaCl–MgCO$_3$ systems at 6 GPa: Link between saline**

3   **and carbonatitic diamond forming melts**

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18   **Abstract**

19   The frequent occurrence of chlorides and carbonates in the form of microinclusions of melts

20 or high-density fluid (HDF) in diamonds and igneous minerals of kimberlites worldwide generates

21 genuine interest in their phase diagrams under pressure. Here, we present the first experimental

22 results on the phase relations in the NaCl–CaCO$_3$ and NaCl–MgCO$_3$ systems at 6 GPa in the range

23 1000-1600 °C performed using multianvil press. We found that both systems have the eutectic

24 type of phase diagrams. The subsolidus assemblages are represented by halite + aragonite and

25 halite + magnesite. Halite-aragonite eutectic is situated just below 1200 °C and has a composition

26 of 40 wt% NaCl and 60 wt% CaCO$_3$. Halite-magnesite eutectic is located at 1300 °C and has a

27   composition of 72 wt% NaCl and 28 wt% $MgCO_3$. Halite melting point was established at 1500

28   °C. Complete miscibility between carbonate and chloride liquids was observed up to 1600 °C. The

29   obtained results support the hypotheses that saline HDF is either a low-temperature derivative or

30   precursor of mantle carbonatite HDF. The data obtained also do not exclude an alternative

31   hypothesis, according to which saline HDF are formed as a result of the reduction of the carbonate

32   component of chloride-containing carbonatite melts to diamond.

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34   **Introduction**

35   Alkaline chlorides and carbonates are important constituents of diamond-forming HDFs

36   (Navon et al. 1988; Izraeli et al. 2001; Kaminsky et al. 2013; Jablon and Navon 2016; Zedgenizov

37   et al. 2018) and a liquid component of kimberlite magma carrying diamonds to the surface

38   (Kamenetsky et al. 2004; Kamenetsky et al. 2014; Abersteiner et al. 2019; Golovin et al. 2020;

39   Sharygin et al. 2021). Although a natural abundance of Cl in the mantle does not exceed 30 wt

40   ppm (Palme and O'Neill 2003; Shimizu et al. 2016), the probes of deep-seated magmas (basalt,

41   komatiite, kimberlite), entrapped as inclusions in mantle minerals, indicate an excess of chlorine,

42   implying the abundance of chlorine in the source regions of these magmas (Kamenetsky et al.

43   2009; Hanyu et al. 2019; Asafov et al. 2020). Subducted seawater-altered and carbonated oceanic

44   crust is considered a likely source of chlorine (Weiss et al. 2015; Hanyu et al. 2019; Asafov et al.

45   2020). Kendrick et al. (2011) found that a significant portion of chlorine survives deserpenization

46   at subarc depth and therefore can be subducted to depths greater than 70 km.

47   Inclusions in diamonds are the deepest probes of mantle melts and HDFs extending to the

48   lower mantle (Kaminsky et al. 2013; Kaminsky et al. 2016). Their composition varies between a

49   silicic melt, rich in Si, K, Al, water, and a minor carbonate; carbonatitic, rich in carbonate, Ca,

50   Mg, K, and a saline, rich in Cl, K, Na, water; and carbonates (Bulanova et al. 1988; Navon et al.

51   1988; Schrauder and Navon 1994; Izraeli et al. 2001; Klein-BenDavid et al. 2009; Zedgenizov et

52   al. 2009; Zedgenizov et al. 2011; Jablon and Navon 2016; Shatsky et al. 2019). Continuous

53   variations in the composition of HDFs suggest a genetic link between the endmembers (Klein-

54   BenDavid et al. 2007; Weiss et al. 2015).

55   Experiments show that silicic and carbonatitic melts are immiscible and can be derived by

56   partial melting of recycled hydrothermally altered basalts (Kiseeva et al. 2012) or carbonated

57   pelites at a depth of about 200 km (Shatskiy et al. 2019). The carbonate melt dissolves chlorides

58   and remains in equilibrium with silicate minerals up to 1380-1450 °C at 4.5-5.5 GPa. At higher

59   temperatures, either an immiscible carbonate-silicate melt appears in addition to chloride-

60   carbonate melt (Safonov et al. 2007; Litasov and Ohtani 2009; Safonov et al. 2009a; Safonov et

61   al. 2009b; Safonov et al. 2011) or carbonatite melt evolves toward silicate melt at 1500-1700 °C

62   (Litasov et al. 2010; Safonov et al. 2011).

63   However, a genetic link between saline and carbonatitic endmembers remains controversial

64   and experimentally unresolved. Some hypotheses consider the saline HDFs as either a slab-derived

65   precursor of carbonatitic melts (Weiss et al. 2015) or a low-temperature derivative of mantle

66   carbonatite melts (Shatskiy et al. 2019). On the other hand, immiscibility between molten chlorides

67   and carbonates, if any, can be involved to explain their genetic link (Veksler 2004). Yet, phase

68   equilibria in chloride-carbonate systems are still experimentally challenging.

69   Here, we studied solidus and melting phase relations in the binary $NaCl–CaCO_3$ and $NaCl–$

70    $MgCO_3$ systems at 6 GPa in the range 1000-1600 °C and discussed the constrained *T-X* diagram

71   with implication to the mantle saline and carbonatitic melts/HDFs.

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73   **Methods**

74   Starting mixtures were prepared from reagent grade $NaCl$, $CaCO_3$, and natural magnesite

75   (<0.1% impurity) from Brumado (Bahia, Brazil). Before weighing, $NaCl$ and $CaCO_3$ were calcined

76   at 500 °C and magnesite – at 300 °C. The powders were blended in an agate mortar with acetone.

77   The prepared mixtures were dried at 300 °C in air and stored in a vacuum oven at 100 °C.

78   Experiments were run using a 1500-ton DIA-type press (Osugi et al. 1964) at IGM SB RAS.

79   Eight 26-mm tungsten carbide cubes ("Fujilloy N-05") with 12-mm truncations were used as the

80   inner-stage anvils. Pyrophyllite gaskets 4.0 mm in width and thickness were employed to support

81   anvils flanks. Pressure medium (PM), made of semisintered ZrO_2 ceramics (OZ-8C, MinoYogyo

82   Co., Ltd) (Shatskiy et al. 2011), was shaped as 20.5-mm octahedron with ground edges and

83   corners. Graphite heater, 4.0 mm in inner diameter, 0.25-mm thick, and 11 mm height, was inserted

84   diagonally at the center of PM. W97%Re3%-W25%Re25% thermocouple wire, 0.1 mm in

85   diameter, were inserted in the heater center and electrically insulated by Al_2O_3 tubes. The

86   powdered samples were loaded in graphite cassettes (multicharged samples holders), placed from

87   both sides of the thermocouple (Shatskiy et al. 2022). ZrO_2 plugs, 2.2 mm in height, were inserted

88   from both heater ends. Room- and high-temperature pressure calibrations were done using known

89   phase transitions in Bi, Ba, SiO_2, and $CaGeO_3$ (Shatskiy et al. 2013b; Shatskiy et al. 2018). No

90   correction of the pressure effect on thermocouple EMF was applied. Uncertainty in pressure and

91   temperature estimates is estimated to be less than 0.5 GPa and 25 °C.

92   Prior to the experiment, the prepared high-pressure cells were stored in a vacuum oven at

93   200 °C for ≥ 12 h. The experiments were conducted by room-temperature compression to a press-

94   load of 6.5 GPa during 4 h, heating to target temperature with a rate of 50 °C/min, maintaining the

95   target temperature in the thermocouple control mode within 2-3 °C of target value at constant press

96   load, quenching below 150 °C in a few seconds, followed by 5-h decompression.

97   Recovered graphite cassettes were cut using a low-speed diamond saw and mounted into

98   epoxy. Samples were ground in using 400(37)-, 1000(13)-, and 1500(9)-mesh(μm) sandpapers and

99   a 3-μm diamond past. WD-40 spray was employed as a lubricant. Before a carbon coating, the

100   samples were stored in benzine.

101   Samples were studied using a MIRA 3 LMU scanning electron microscope (Tescan Orsay

102   Holding, Brno-Kohoutovice, Czech Republic), coupled with an INCA energy-dispersive X-ray

103   microanalysis system 450, equipped with the liquid nitrogen-free Large area EDX X-Max-80

104 Silicon Drift Detector (Oxford Instruments Nanoanalysis Ltd., High Wycombe, UK) at IGM SB

105 RAS. It is generally accepted that unlike wavelength dispersive X-ray spectroscopy (WDS),

106 energy dispersive X-ray spectroscopy (EDS) is a semi-quantitative method. But that is no longer

107 true. The recent advances in EDS performance with the silicon drift detector (SDD) enable

108 accuracy and precision equivalent to that of WDS in the case of routine analysis of rock-forming

109 minerals (Lavrent'ev et al. 2015; Newbury and Ritchie 2015). We also need to emphasize that the

110 accuracy of the WDS analysis decreases dramatically in the case of alkali carbonate samples

111 (Arefiev et al. 2019).

112 Energy-dispersive X-ray spectra (EDX) were collected by using an electron beam-rastering

113 method, in which the stage is stationary while the electron beam moves over the surface area, with

114 dimensions 5–50 μm (for minerals) and 50–500 μm (for a quenched melt) at 20 kV accelerating

115 voltage and 1.5 nA beam current. Live counting time for X-ray spectra was 20 s.

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117 **Results**

118 After the experiments, the bulk ratio of sodium and chlorine in the recovered samples and

119 the chloride-carbonate melt remained unchanged and approaches the initial value Na/Cl = 1

120 (Tables 1, 2, S1-S9). Thus, whole sodium belongs to chloride and chlorine does not form a separate

121 fluid phase. The composition of the phases and the bulk composition of the systems, which will

122 be discussed below, are expressed in terms of the sodium concentration as Na#2 =

123 $Na_2CO_3/(Na_2CO_3+CaCO_3+MgCO_3)\cdot100$ mol%.

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125 *The NaCl-CaCO₃ system*

126 At 1000 (run D281, 98 h) and 1100 °C (runs D227, 37 h and D283, 48 h), the samples are

127 represented by homogeneous aggregates of halite and aragonite. The latter was identified by

128 Raman spectroscopy. Aragonite forms euhedral to subhedral isometric grains 5-40 μm in size.

129 Halite fills the space between the aragonite crystals (Fig. 1a-c).

130   The first melt appears at 1200 °C (run D282, 24 h) (Tables 1, S3). At this temperature, the

131   sample with Na2# 36 consists of quenched melt, whereas one with Na2# 67 is represented by halite

132   crystals in the low-temperature (LT) side, and quenched melt in the high-temperature (HT) side

133   (Fig. 1d). Halite forms an aggregate of crystals up to 400 μm in size elongated in the direction of

134   the HT side (Fig. 1d). The coexisting chloride-carbonate melt contains 45 wt% NaCl (Na2# 41)

135   (Fig. 2).

136   At 1250 °C (runs D265, 3 h and D266, 7 h) and bulk Na2# 18, aragonite coexists with the

137   chloride-carbonate liquid, containing 36 wt% NaCl (Na2# 33). As bulk Na2# increases from 82 to

138   95, the fraction of solid phase, halite, increases (Fig. 1e, g), while the liquid composition remains

139   constant, 63-64 wt% NaCl (Na2# 59-61) (Fig. 2, Tables 1, S4). The melt quenches in a dendritic

140   aggregate of halite and aragonite crystals (Fig. 1f).

141   As temperature increases to 1300 (run D284, 3 h) and 1400 °C (run D263, 2 h), the NaCl

142   content in the melt, coexisting with halite, increases to 71 wt% (Na2# 68) and 93 wt% (Na2# 91),

143   respectively (Fig. 2, Tables S5, S6).

144   At 1300 °C (run D216, 4 h) / bulk Na2# 33, 1400 °C (run D263, 2 h) / bulk Na2# 40, 1500

145   °C (runs D287, 1 h, D223, 6 h) / bulk Na2# 6, 46, 82, and 1600 °C (run D224, 3 h) / bulk Na2# 32

146   and 82, the samples are completely molten (Fig. 2, Tables 1, S5-S8).

147   Halite melting experiment was conducted at 1500 °C (run D287, 1 h). A piece of Pt (cylinder)

148   was used as a marker of melting. Unfortunately, it stuck to the wall and therefore did not sink (Fig.

149   1h). However, in this run, the HT sample side consists of a dendritic aggregate of NaCl (former

150   liquid), whereas balk halite crystals appear on the LT side (Fig. 1h, i). The coexistence of both

151   solid and liquid NaCl indicates that 1500 °C corresponds to the halite melting point at 6 GPa. This

152   is consistent with the previous experimental data at 6 GPa: 1500 °C (extrapolated from 3.9 GPa

153   (Pistorius 1966), 1504 (uncorrected) and 1527 °C (corrected) (Akella and Kennedy 1969), and

154   results by Li and Li (2015) within experimental uncertainty.

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156   *The NaCl-MgCO₃ system*

157   At 1000 (run D281, 98 h), 1100 (run D227, 37 h), 1200 (run D218, 18 h), and 1250 °C (runs

158   D265, 3 h, D266, 7 h), the samples consist of a homogeneous aggregate of magnesite and halite

159   crystals 5-100 μm in size (Fig. 3a-c, Tables 2, S1-S4).

160   The first melting occurs at 1300 °C (runs D216, 4 h, D284, 3 h). The melt appears as a thin,

161   up to 40-100 μm, layer adjoin to the HT capsule end (Fig. 3d-e). A single-phase layer of magnesite

162   or halite appears at the interface with melt pool at bulk Na2# 18 and 46 (Fig. 3d, e) and Na2# 82

163   and 86 (Fig. 3f), respectively. The lower temperature sample side is represented by the subsolidus

164   assemblage, magnesite + halite (Fig. 3d-f). The incipient melt has a uniform chloride-carbonate

165   composition and contains 70-71 wt% NaCl (Na2# 63-65) (Table 2, S5).

166   As temperature increases to 1400 °C at bulk Na2# 46 (run D286, 2 h) and 1500 °C at bulk

167   Na2# 33 (run D287, 1 h), the NaCl content in the chloride-carbonate melt decreases to 65 wt%

168   (Na2# 58) and 52 wt% (Na2# 44), respectively (Fig. 3, Tables 2, S6, S7). The melt coexists with

169   a dome-shaped aggregate of magnesite crystals adjoined to the LT side (Fig. 3g, i).

170   At 1400 °C and bulk Na2 = 97 (run D286, 2 h), the sample mainly consists of an aggregate

171   of large (up to 500 μm) halite crystals and a thin layer of melt adjacent to the HT capsule end (Fig.

172   3h). The melt contains 83 wt% NaCl (Na2# 78) (Fig. 4, Table 2, S6)

173   At 1500 °C (run D223, 6 h) / bulk Na2 = 46, 82 and 1600 °C (run D224, 3 h)/ Na2 = 38, 79,

174   the samples melt completely (Tables 2, S7, S8).

175   Mutual solubility of halite-aragonite and halite-magnesite does not exceed 0.4 wt%, which

176   is within the uncertainty of measurements, of about 0.5 wt% (Tables 2, S1-S7).

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178   *The NaCl-CaCO₃ system undried*

179   To clarify the impact of water on the phase relationships in the chloride-carbonate systems,

180   an experiment with the undried NaCl-CaCO₃ mixtures was performed at 1100 °C (run D271, 5 h).

181   The results of this run are illustrated in Fig. 5 and summarized in Fig. 6 and Table S9. Unlike dry

182   conditions, where the melting begins 100 °C higher, all undried samples exhibit melting. At bulk

183   Na2# 18, the sample consists of aragonite crystals up to 300 μm in length, grown in the LT side,

184   and chloride-carbonate melt containing 32 wt% NaCl (Na2# 29) (Fig. 5a, Table S9). The sample

185   with Na2# 33 is completely molten (Table S9). At bulk Na2# 67 and 82, halite crystals up to 500

186   μm in size appear at the LT side, while the melt segregates at the HT side (Fig. 5b, c). The NaCl

187   content in the melt coexisting with halite increases from 61 to 72 wt% (Na2# 58→69) as the bulk

188   Na2# increases from 67 to 82 (Fig. 6, Table S9), which is indicative of the presence of additional

189   component, water.

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191   **Discussion**

192   At 6 GPa, the studied chloride-carbonate systems have eutectic T-X diagrams (Fig. 7a, c).

193   The NaCl-CaCO$_3$ binary has the halite + aragonite subsolidus assemblage. This indicates that the

194   free energy of NaCl + CaCO$_3$ is higher than that of Na$_2$CO$_3$ + CaCl$_2$, like that at 1 atm and

195   temperatures ranging from room to 600 °C (Peh et al. 2017). The first melt was established at 1200

196   °C. At this temperature and bulk Na# 67, halite coexists with the melt with Na2# 41, while at bulk

197   Na2# 36, complete melting was observed. Interpolation of the liquidus lines gives the eutectic at

198   1185 °C and Na# 36 (Fig. 2). The NaCl-MgCO$_3$ binary has the halite + magnesite subsolidus

199   assemblage, which melts at 1300 °C (Fig. 4). Eutectic melts have a carbonate-chloride

200   composition. In the NaCl-CaCO$_3$ system, the melt is more enriched in carbonate with 40 wt%

201   NaCl and 60 wt% CaCO$_3$ (Fig. 7a). In the NaCl-MgCO$_3$ system, the melt is enriched in chloride

202   with 72 wt% NaCl and 28 wt% MgCO$_3$ but appears 100 °C higher (Fig. 7c). Chloride and

203   carbonate melts are completely miscible in the entire range of the studied compositions and

204   temperatures up to 1600 °C (Figs. 2, 4).

205   Unlike the studied chloride-carbonate systems at 6 GPa, the corresponding carbonate

206   systems Na$_2$CO$_3$–CaCO$_3$ (Shatskiy et al. 2013c) and Na$_2$CO$_3$–MgCO$_3$ (Shatskiy et al. 2013a) have

207   intermediate compounds, represented by the following double carbonates: Na$_2$Ca$_4$(CO$_3$)$_5$-$P6_3mc$

208   (Rashchenko et al. 2017), and $Na_2Ca_3(CO_3)_4$-$P1n1$ (Gavryushkin et al. 2014), $Na_4Ca(CO_3)_3$-$Ia3d$

209   (Rashchenko et al. 2018), and $Na_2Mg(CO_3)_2$ eitelite (Fig. 7b, d). The above compounds melt

210   congruently, except for $Na_2Ca_4(CO_3)_5$, which decomposes below solidus (Fig. 7b). In this study,

211   we introduced Cl into the systems, in amounts equal to Na (i.e., mole ratio Na/Cl = 1) and found

212   no double carbonates. This indicates the preferred distribution of Na in halite, and Ca and Mg in

213   carbonates. Considering the above results, we proposed that the formation of double Na-Ca and

214   Na-Mg carbonates in the chloride-carbonate systems should occur at Na/Cl ratios > 1.

215   The Na-rich eutectics in the Na_2CO_3–$CaCO_3$ are situated just below 1200 °C similar to the

216   NaCl–$CaCO_3$, while the Ca-rich carbonate eutectic is 100 °C higher (Fig. 7a, b). The Na-rich

217   eutectic in the Na_2CO_3–$MgCO_3$ is located at 1200 °C, which is 100 °C lower than the NaCl–

218    $MgCO_3$ eutectic (Fig. 7c, d). Thus, replacing Na_2CO_3 with NaCl does not lead to a significant

219   change in the temperatures of the eutectics and all of them fall in the range 1200-1300 °C.

220   Nevertheless, the presence of intermediate phases melting congruently determines the presence of

221   temperature barriers, which prevents the formation of high-sodium carbonate melts. The absence

222   of such barriers in chloride-carbonate systems, as well as a sufficiently alkaline composition of

223   eutectics, especially NaCl–$MgCO_3$, suggests the possibility of the formation of highly alkaline

224   chloride-carbonate melts (Fig. 7a, c). The presence of water should contribute to this tendency,

225   shifting the composition of the chloride-carbonate melt to a more NaCl-rich and expanding its

226   stability to lower temperatures (Fig. 6).

227   According to the data obtained, the cooling of a carbonate melt, containing NaCl, should be

228   accompanied by fractional crystallization of Ca and/or Mg carbonates, changing the composition

229   of the melt toward chloride-carbonate. The solidification of this melt leads to the formation of Ca

230   and Mg carbonates and halite. Alkaline earth carbonates are poorly soluble in water and water

231   affects their melting points to a lesser extent than halite. Indeed, the experiment with undried

232   starting mixtures showed lower melting temperatures and a shift of melt composition toward NaCl

233   (Fig. 6).

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235   **Implications**

236   Complete miscibility between carbonate and chloride liquids was established from melting

237   beginning to 1600 °C (Figs. 2, 4). Thus, the results obtained do not support the guess of the

238   formation of chloride and carbonate melts as a result of liquid immiscibility (Veksler 2004), at

239   least at mantle pressures. At the same time, the eutectic type of the established diagrams supports

240   the hypotheses of the low-temperature nature of water-rich chloride melt/HDF in which it is

241   considered either as precursors of carbonatite melt (Weiss et al. 2015) (Fig. 8b) or as its low-

242   temperature derivative (Shatskiy et al. 2019) (Fig. 8a).

243   The Earth is depleted in chlorine by factor 10 relative to chondritic and solar abundances

244   (Sharp and Draper 2013). The upper mantle is largely depleted in chlorine: the estimate of chlorine

245   abundances in the sub-continental mantle, based on data from African and Siberian coated

246   diamonds, is 3 ppm (Burgess et al. 2002). High-pressure Cl partitioning experiments between

247   molten metal and silicate indicate that the Cl content of the core is also negligible (Sharp and

248   Draper 2013). The similarity of mantle, crust, and carbonaceous chondrites establishes that there

249   was no Cl isotopic fractionation during differentiation of the Earth (Sharp et al. 2007). The lack of

250   chlorine was attributed to its loss during the giant moon-forming impact (Sharp and Draper 2013).

251   The oceans are considered the main concentrator of chlorine. Seawater and solute Cl^- incorporates

252   in hydrated serpentinite rocks within subducting oceanic lithosphere (Kendrick et al. 2011).

253   Significant portions of chlorine and carbonates survive deserpenization at subarc depths of about

254   70 km (Kerrick and Connolly 2001; Kendrick et al. 2011).

255   In the present study, we found that at a pressure of 6 GPa corresponding to a depth of 200

256   km, the $NaCl$-$CaCO_3$ and $NaCl$-$MgCO_3$ eutectics are situated at 1200-1300 °C, which is 200-300

257   °C higher than the hottest subduction geotherms. Thus, our high-pressure data indicate that halite

258   associated with aragonite or magnesite can survive subduction to a depth of 200 km. Warming of

259   oceanic slabs, diving beneath the continental lithospheric mantle by low-angle subduction, e.g.

260   (Currie and Beaumont 2011), should be accompanied by partial melting with the formation of a

261   chloride-carbonate melt containing up to 20-40 wt% Cl (Tables S3-S9). The obtained experimental

262   results are consistent with the presence of saline inclusions in fibrous and monocrystalline

263   diamonds from kimberlites and placers worldwide derived from the base of ancient cratons (Izraeli

264   et al. 2001; Jablon and Navon 2016).

265   Our preliminary experimental results have shown that the reduction of the $NaCl-CaCO_3$ and

266    $NaCl-MgCO_3$ melts by iron metal at 6 GPa yields precipitation of carbon (solute in iron metal,

267   iron carbides, metastable graphite or diamond) and ferropericlase/ magnesiowustite and shifts the

268   melt composition toward higher NaCl (Fig. 4). Thus, the interaction of alkaline chloride-bearing

269   carbonate melts formed in the subduction zones with the reduced mantle should be accompanied

270   by the reduction of the carbonate component. This should be accompanied by diamond

271   crystallization and shift the composition of the melt from carbonatitic to saline (Fig. 8c).

272   Thus, the continuous trend in the compositions from carbonatitic to saline HDFs entrapped

273   as microinclusions in natural diamonds can be explained by (1) fractional crystallization of the Cl-

274   bearing carbonatite melt; (2) melting of carbonated mantle domains induced by saline HDF; (3)

275   reduction of Cl-bearing carbonatitic melt.

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277   **Nomenclature**

278   Arg – aragonite, Cal-V – R-3m calcite V, Cal-Vb – $P2_1/m$ calcite Vb, Hl – halite, L – liquid,

279   Mgs – magnesite, 'q-' – quench phase.

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458   **Figure captions**

459

460   Figure 1. BSE images of selected sample cross-sections in the NaCl−CaCO$_3$ system at 6 GPa and

461   1100 °C (a-c), 1200 °C (d), 1250 °C (e-g), and pure NaCl at 1500 °C (h, i). HT – high-temperature

462   side. LT – low-temperature side. The gravity vector is directed downward.

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464   Figure 2. Phase relations in the 2NaCl-CaCO$_3$ system at 6 GPa. Positions of large circles denote

465   bulk compositions of samples, whereas segments indicate phases present in the recovered samples.

466   Smaller grey circles indicate the composition of melt measured by EDS. The CaCO$_3$ melting point

467   is after (Shatskiy et al. 2018). The phase transitions in CaCO$_3$: aragonite, calcite-V (*R*-3*m*), and

468   calcite-Vb (*P*2$_1$/*m*) are after (Druzhbin et al. Under review).

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470   Figure 3. BSE images of sample cross-sections in the system NaCl−MgCO$_3$ at 6 GPa and 1250 (a-

471   c), 1300 (d-f), 1400 °C (g, h), and 1500 °C (i). HT – high-temperature side. LT – low-temperature

472   side. The gravity vector is directed downward.

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474   Figure 4. Phase relations in the 2NaCl-MgCO$_3$ system at 6 GPa. Positions of large circles denote

475   bulk compositions of samples, whereas segments indicate phases present in the recovered samples.

476   Smaller grey circles indicate the composition of melt measured by EDS. The MgCO$_3$ melting point

477   is after (Shatskiy et al. 2018).

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479   Figure 5. BSE images of sample cross-sections in the NaCl−CaCO$_3$ system at 6 GPa and 1100 °C

480   under hydrous conditions. HT – high-temperature side. LT – low-temperature side. The gravity

481   vector is directed downward.

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483   Figure 6. Phase relations in the 2NaCl-CaCO$_3$ system established at 6 GPa and 1100 °C in undried

484   samples, presumably containing water (blue), compared with the phase relations established under

485   nominally dry conditions (black). The phase transitions in CaCO$_3$ are after (Druzhbin et al. Under

486   review). (Color online).

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488   Figure 7. Comparison of phase relations in the systems NaCl–CaCO$_3$ (this study) (a), Na$_2$CO$_3$–

489   CaCO$_3$ (Shatskiy et al. 2013c) (b), NaCl–MgCO$_3$ (this study) (c), and Na$_2$CO$_3$–MgCO$_3$ (Shatskiy

490   et al. 2013a) (d) at 6 GPa. The phase transitions in CaCO$_3$ are after (Druzhbin et al. Under review).

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492   Figure 8. Schematic diagrams illustrating the possible genetic link between saline and carbonatitic

493   HDFs: via fraction crystallization of asthenosphere or plume-derived Cl-bearing carbonatitic melt

494   (Shatskiy et al. 2019) (a); progressive melting of carbonated mantle domains involving slab-

495   derived saline HDF (Weiss et al. 2015) (b); and reduction of the slab- or plume-derived Cl-bearing

496   carbonatitic melt infiltrating reduced ambient mantle (c). (Color online)

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Table 1. Run conditions and phase compositions (mol%) in the NaCl-CaCO$_3$ system at 6 GPa.

Run	T, °C	t, h	#	Na2#	Phases	n	Ca	2Na	2Cl	CO$_3$
D281	1000	98	3-2	18	Bulk	−	40.9	9.1	9.1	40.9
					Hl	7	0.2(2)	49.8(2)	50.0(7)	b.d.l.
					Arg	9	50.0(0)	b.d.l.	0.1(1)	49.9(1)
−//−			4-2	33	Bulk	−	33.3(0)	16.7(0)	16.7	33.3
					Hl	7	b.d.l.	50.0(0)	50.7(2)	b.d.l.
					Arg	9	50.0(0)	b.d.l.	0.1(1)	49.9(1)
−//−			3-1	79	Bulk	−	10.7	39.3	35.6	14.4
					Hl	5	b.d.l.	50.0(0)	50.8(5)	b.d.l.
					Arg	7	50.0(1)	0.0(1)	0.3(0)	49.7(0)
D283	1100	48	4-1	33	Bulk	−	33.3	16.7	16.7	33.3
					Hl	1	0.1	49.9	49.7	0.3
					Arg	5	50.0(0)	b.d.l.	0.1(0)	49.9(1)
D227	−//−	37	4-2	46	Bulk	−	26.9	23.1	23.1	26.9
					Hl	5	0.1(2)	49.9(2)	51.0(6)	b.d.l.
					Arg	5	50.0(0)	0.0(0)	0.1(1)	49.9(1)
D283	−//−	48	4-2	67	Bulk	−	16.7	33.3	33.3	16.7
					Hl	5	b.d.l.	50.0(0)	47.9(3.3)	2.1(3.3)
					Arg	5	50.0(0)	0.0(0)	0.2(1)	49.7(1)
D227	−//−	37	4-1	82	Bulk	−	8.8	41.2	41.2	8.8
					Hl	5	0.2(2)	49.8(2)	50.6(3)	b.d.l.
					Arg	7	49.9(1)	0.1(1)	0.4(0)	49.6(0)
D282	1200	24	4-1	36	Bulk	−	33.3	16.7	16.7	33.3
					L(37)	1	31.5	18.4	16.6	33.3
−//−			4-2	67	Bulk	−	16.7	33.3	33.3	16.7
					Hl	1	0.1	49.9	49.2	0.8
					L(41)	2	29.5	20.5	18.1	31.8
D265	1250	3	3-2	18	Bulk	−	40.9	9.1	9.1	40.9
					Arg	1	50.0	0.0	0.1	49.9
					L(33)	5	33.6(3)	16.4(3)	15.8(2)	34.2(2)
D266	−//−	7	3-2	18	Bulk	−	40.9	9.1	9.1	40.9
					Arg	1	50.0	0.0	0.0	50.0
					L(32)	5	33.8(2)	16.2(2)	15.4(1)	34.6(1)
−//−			3-1	82	Bulk	−	8.8	41.2	41.2	8.8
					Hl	6	0.2(1)	49.8(1)	50.2(9)	b.d.l.
					L(61)	5	19.5(4)	30.4(3)	27.8(3)	22.2(3)
D265	−//−	3	3-1	95	Bulk	−	2.6	47.4	47.4	2.6
					Hl	7	0.1(1)	49.9(1)	49.8(3)	0.2(3)
					L(59)	5	20.0(4)	29.4(5)	25.2(1.2)	24.7(1.2)
D216	1300	4	3-3	33	Bulk	−	33.3	16.7	16.7	33.3
					L(33)	1	33.3	16.7	16.7	33.3
D284	−//−	3	3-1	92	Bulk	−	4.1	45.9	45.9	4.1
					Hl	8	0.1(1)	49.9(1)	49.1(2)	0.9(2)
					L(68)	5	15.9(3)	34.1(3)	29.8(3)	20.2(3)
D263	1400	2	3-1	40	Bulk	−	29.9	20.1	18.5	31.5
					L(40)	5	29.9(0)	20.1(0)	18.7(2)	31.3(2)
−//−			3-2	95	Bulk	−	2.6	47.4	47.4	2.6
					Hl	5	0.1(2)	49.9(2)	51.2(4)	b.d.l.
					L(91)	5	4.3(2)	45.7(2)	47.2(3)	2.8(3)
D287	1500	1	3-2	6	Bulk	−	47.1	2.9	2.9	47.1
					L(3)	5	48.5(2)	1.5(2)	1.8(0)	48.1(1)
D223	−//−	6	4-2	46	Bulk	−	26.9	23.1	23.1	26.9
					L(43)	1	28.7	21.3	19.6	30.4
−//−			4-1	82	Bulk	−	8.8	41.2	41.2	8.8
					L(75)	1	12.4	37.6	37.4	12.6
D287	−//−	6	3-3	100	Bulk	−	0	50.0	50.0	0
					Hl	1	0.0	50.0	49.3	0.7
					L(100)	1	0.0	49.9	49.2	0.6
D224	1600	3	4-2	32	L(32)	1	34.3	15.9	15.4	34.4
			4-1	82	L982)	1	9.2	40.6	40.3	9.3

Notes: t – run duration; Na2# = 100·2NaCl/(2NaCl+CaCO$_3$) reflects the molar fraction of halite in the starting compositions; L(32) – liquid with Na2# 32, n – number of SDD-EDS analysis; standard deviations are given in brackets.

Table 2. Run conditions and phase compositions (mol%) in the NaCl-MgCO$_3$ system at 6 GPa.

Run	T, °C	t, h	#	Na2#	Phases	n	Mg	2Na	2Cl	CO$_3$
D227	1100	37	3-1	46	Bulk	−	26.9	23.1	23.1	26.9
					Hl	5	b.d.l.	50.0(0)	51.1(5)	b.d.l.
					Mgs	5	49.8(0)	b.d.l.	0.1(0)	49.9(0)
−//−			3-3	82	Bulk	−	8.8	41.2	41.2	8.8
					Hl	5	b.d.l.	50.0(0)	50.9(3)	b.d.l.
					Mgs	5	49.8(2)	b.d.l.	0.1(1)	49.9(1)
D218	1200	18	3-4	46	Bulk	−	26.9	23.1	23.1	26.9
					Hl	1	b.d.l.	50.0	51.3	b.d.l.
					Mgs	2	49.9	0.0	0.1	49.9
−//−			3-3	82	Bulk	−	8.8	41.2	41.2	8.8
					Hl	5	b.d.l.	50.0(0)	50.2(2)	b.d.l.
					Mgs	5	49.7(1)	0.1(0)	0.1(0)	49.9(0)
D265	1250	3	3-4	18	Bulk	−	40.9	9.1	9.1	40.9
					Hl	5	b.d.l.	50.0(0)	49.8(5)	0.2(5)
					Mgs	5	49.8(0)	b.d.l.	b.d.l.	50.0(0)
D266	−//−	7	4-2	18	Bulk	−	40.9	9.1	9.1	40.9
					Hl	5	b.d.l.	50.0(0)	50.7(5)	b.d.l.
					Mgs	5	49.8(0)	b.d.l.	b.d.l.	50.0(0)
−//−			4-1	82	Bulk	−	8.8	41.2	41.2	8.8
					Hl	5	b.d.l.	50.0(0)	50.3(8)	b.d.l.
					Mgs	5	49.8(0)	b.d.l.	0.1(0)	49.9(0)
D265	−//−	3	3-4	95	Bulk	−	2.6	47.4	47.4	2.6
					Hl	9	b.d.l.	50.0(0)	49.4(3)	0.6(3)
					Mgs	6	49.8(0)	b.d.l.	0.1(0)	49.9(0)
D284	1300	3	3-2	18	Bulk	−	40.9	9.1	9.1	40.9
					Hl	1	b.d.l.	50.0	49.1	0.9
					Mgs	3	49.9	0.1	b.d.l.	49.8
					L(63)	3	18.4	31.2	32.4	18.0
D216	−//−	4	3-4	46	Bulk	−	26.9	23.1	23.1	26.9
					Hl	2	0.3	49.7	49.0	1.0
					Mgs	2	50.0	b.d.l.	b.d.l.	50.0
					L(64)	1	18.0	31.4	30.7	19.3
−//−			3-3	82	Bulk	−	8.8	41.2	41.2	8.8
					Hl	1	b.d.l.	50.0	49.1	0.9
					Mgs	1	49.9	0.1	0.1	49.9
					L(64)	1	17.9	31.9	30.2	19.8
D284	−//−	4	4-2	86	Bulk	−	7.1	42.9	42.9	7.1
					Hl	1	b.d.l.	50.0	49.5	0.3
					Mgs	1	49.7	0.1	0.1	49.9
					L(64)	3	16.7	30.3	27.9	25.1
D286	1400	2	3-2	46	Bulk	−	26.9	23.1	23.1	26.9
					Mgs	5	50.0(0)	b.d.l.	b.d.l.	50.0(0)
					L(58)	5	21.2(3)	28.9(3)	28.9(3)	21.1(4)
D220	−//−	4	3-1	73	Bulk	−	13.6	36.4	36.6	13.4
					L(72)	5	13.7(2)	36.2(2)	36.6(1)	13.4(1)
D286	−//−	2	3-1	97	Bulk	−	1.3	48.7	48.7	1.3
					Hl	5	b.d.l.	50.0(2)	49.5(4)	0.5(4)
					L(78)	5	10.8(4)	39.1(4)	38.5(5)	11.5(5)
D287	1500	1	4-2	33	Bulk	−	33.3	16.7	16.7	33.3
					Mgs	1	50.0	0.0	0.0	50.0
					L(44)	1	27.7	21.3	19.7	31.3
D223	−//−	6	3-4	46	Bulk	−	26.9	23.1	23.1	26.9
					L(44)	1	27.8	22.2	20.4	29.6
−//−					Bulk	−	8.8	41.2	41.2	8.8
					L(79)	1	10.5	39.5	39.6	10.4
D224	1600	3	3-4	38	L(38)	1	30.7	19.2	18.3	31.7
			3-3	79	L(79)	1	10.3	39.6	41.2	8.8

Notes: t – run duration; Na2# = 100·2NaCl/(2NaCl+MgCO$_3$) reflects the molar fraction of halite in the starting compositions; L(46) – liquid with Na2# 46, n – number of SDD-EDS analysis; standard deviations are given in brackets.
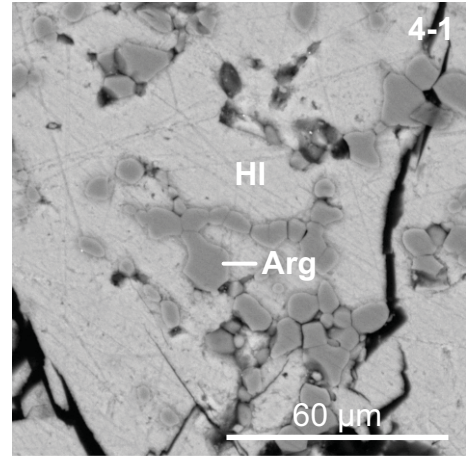
Fig. 1

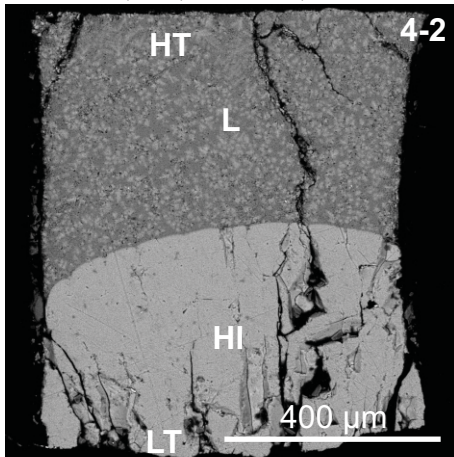Run No.; Na2#, mol%; temperature; run duration.

a. D283; 33; 1100°C; 48 h.
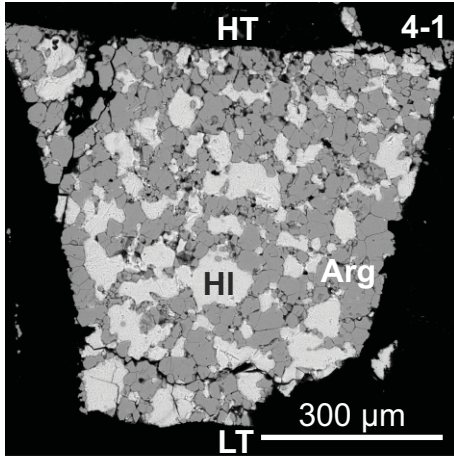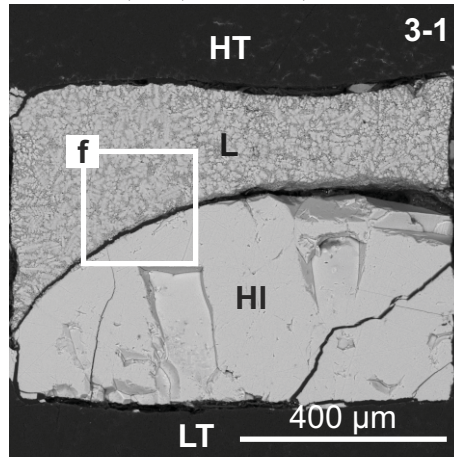
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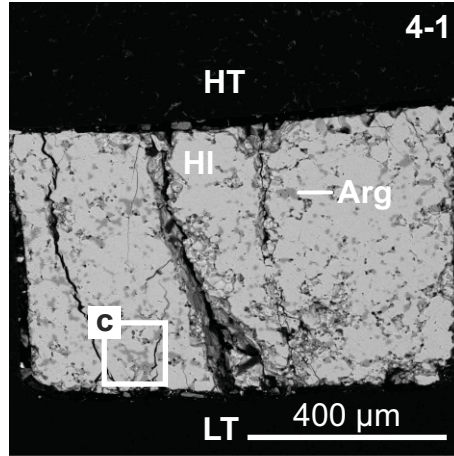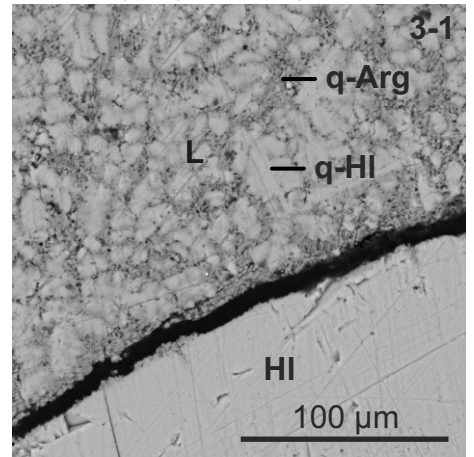
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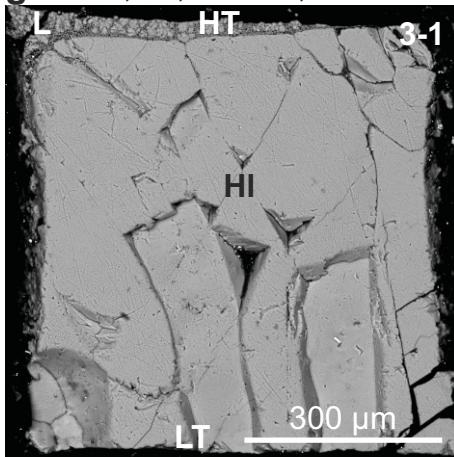
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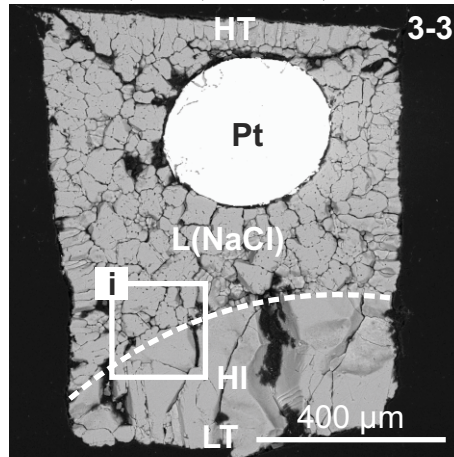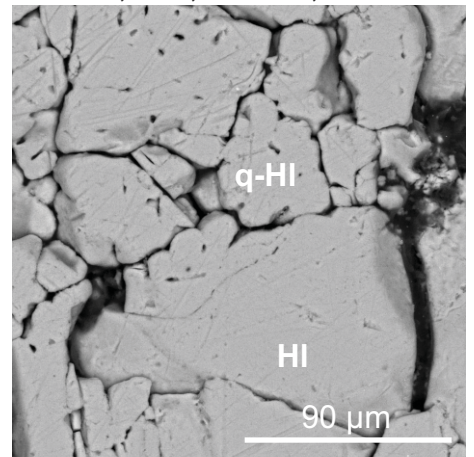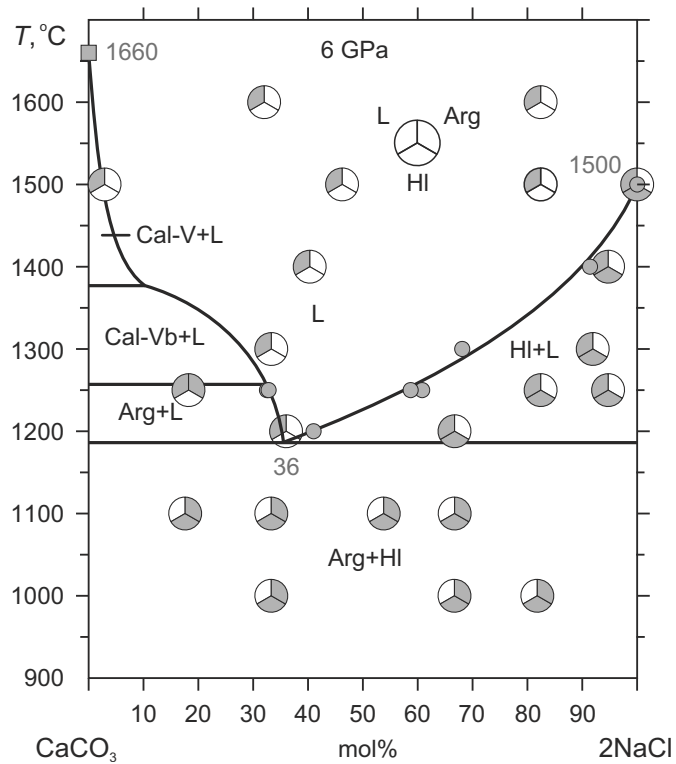
e. D266; 82; 1250°C; 7 h.

f. D266; 82; 1250°C; 7 h.

g. D265; 95; 1250°C; 3 h.

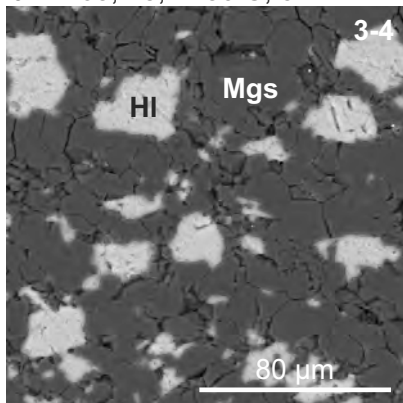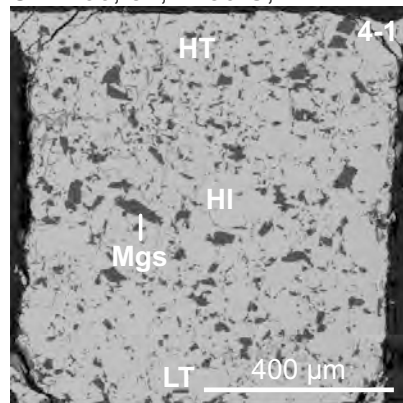**h.** D287; 100; 1500°C; 1 h.

i. D287; 100; 1500°C; 1 h.

Fig. 2

Fig. 3

Run No.; Na2#, mol%; temperature; run duration.

a. D265; 18; 1250°C; 3 h.
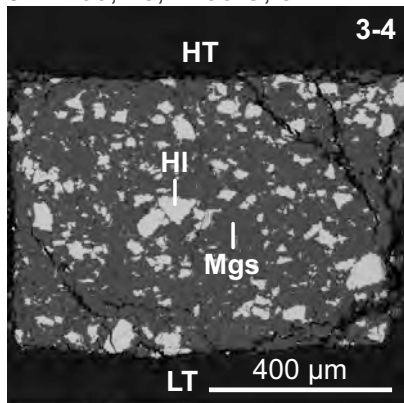
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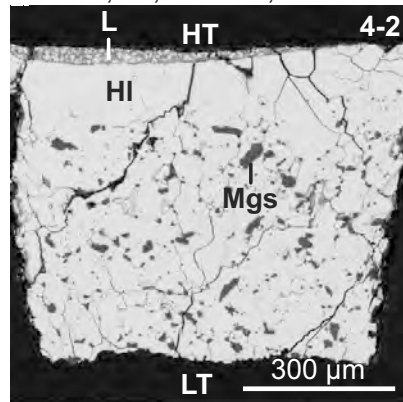
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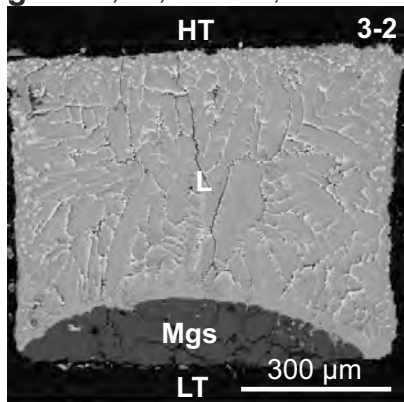
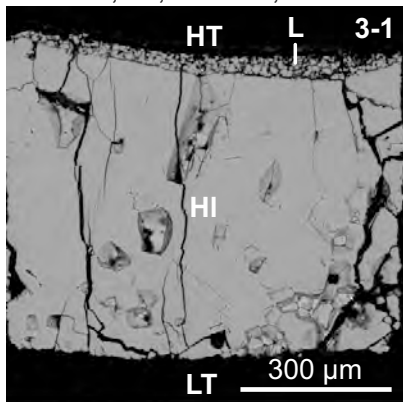**d.** D284; 18; 1300 °C; 3 h.
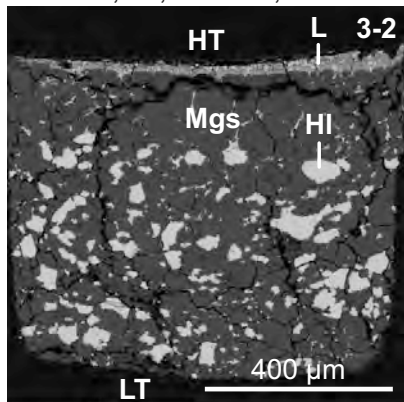
e. D216; 46; 1300 °C; 4 h.
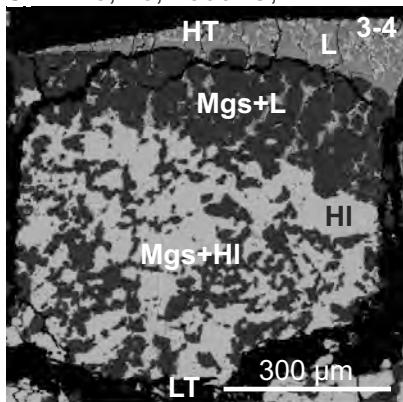
f. D284; 86; 1300 °C; 3 h.

g. D286; 46; 1400 °C; 2 h.

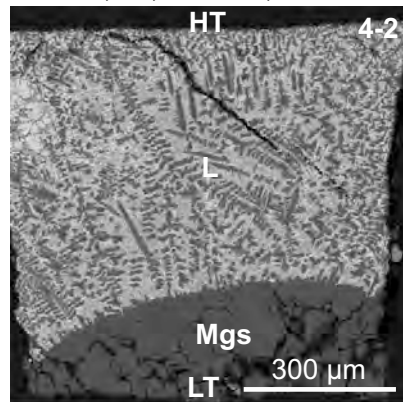**h.** D286; 97; 1400 °C; 2 h.

i. D287; 33; 1500 °C; 1 h.
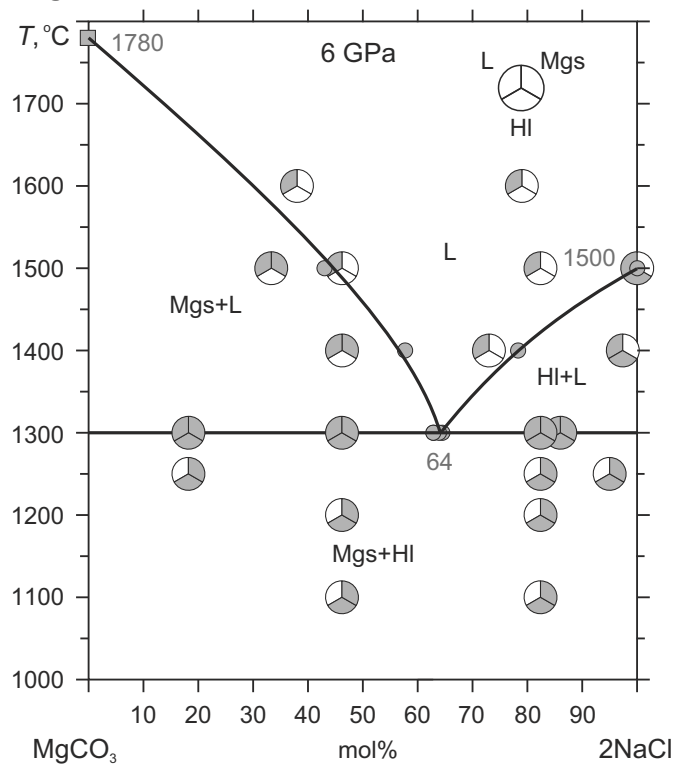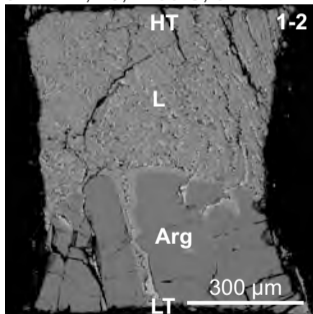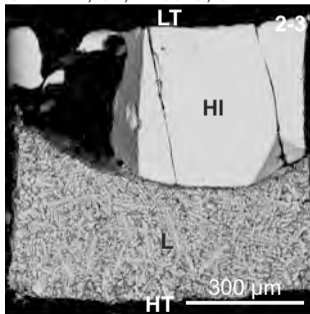
Fig. 4

Fig. 5

Run No.; Na2#, mol%; temperature; run duration.

a. D271; 18; 1100°C; 5 h. **b.** D271; 67; 1100°C; 5 h. **c.** D271; 82; 1100°C; 5 h.

Fig. 6

Fig. 7

a — 6 GPa. Phase diagram for CaCO₃–2NaCl system. Arg - aragonite, Cal-Vb - calcite-Vb, Cal-V - calcite-V, Hl - halite, L - liquid.

b — 6 GPa. Phase diagram for CaCO₃–Na₂CO₃ system. Na₂ - Na₂CO₃, Na₄Ca - Na₄Ca(CO₃)₃, Na₂Ca₃ - Na₂Ca₃(CO₃)₄, Na₂Ca₄ - Na₂Ca₄(CO₃)₅.

c — 6 GPa. Phase diagram for MgCO₃–2NaCl system. Mgs - magnesite.

d — 6 GPa. Phase diagram for MgCO₃–Na₂CO₃ system. Eit - Na₂Mg(CO₃)₂ eitelite.

Fig. 8

a

Subcontinental lithospheric mantle

Saline HDF

Carbonatitic HDF

Plume

Carbonatitic HDF

Chloride-carbonate HDF

Magnesite+L

Halite+L

+H₂O

Magnesite+halite   Saline HDF

Temperature

Carbonate   Chlorite

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b

Carbonatitic HDF

Carbonated mantle

Subduction slab

Saline HDF

Carbonatitic HDF

Chloride-carbonate HDF

Magnesite+L

Halite+L

+ Magnesite

Magnesite+halite

Saline HDF +H₂O

Temperature

Carbonate   Chlorite

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c

Reduced mantle

Dia   **Saline HDF**   **Saline HDF**

Dia

Carbonatitic HDF   **Carbonatitic HDF**

Stagnant slab   Plume

Carbonatitic HDF   Saline HDF

Reduction

Chloride-carbonate HDF

Magnesite+L

Halite+L

Magnesite+halite

Temperature

Carbonate   Chlorite