

Pressure dependence of partition coefficients between olivine and peridotite melt

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In order to understand the crystallization process of global magma ocean, precise knowledge on the element partitioning at various pressures is essentially important. We have determined PC-IR (partition coefficient, ionic radius) diagram for 32 elements between olivine and peridotite melt at 2, 5, 10, and 14 GPa. Two types of starting materials were prepared from a fertile peridotite KLB-1 [1] with different levels of trace elements. High-pressure melting experiments were performed using a piston-cylinder apparatus and a multi-anvil apparatus at the Magma Factory, Tokyo Inst. of Technology. Chemical analyses were performed using EPMA (JEOL-8800) for major and minor elements and LA-ICP-MS for trace elements (ArF excimer laser and a quadrupole mass spectrometer, 30 μm laser beam, NIST610 glass standard). Partition coefficients were calculated and were plotted on the PC-IR diagram. The results of this study are in general agreement with previous studies on similar compositions (analysis by EPMA [2]; by SIMS [3]) except that the shape of the peaks and pattern of the parabolas were tightly constrained in the present study. PC-IR diagram for trivalent cations between olivine and peridotite melt was tightly constrained for the first time with 14 elements (including 8 REE). The partition coefficient for Al increases with pressure ($D_{\text{Al}}=0.012$ at 2 GPa, 0.048 at 14 GPa) while that for all other trivalent cations decreases with increasing pressure (e.g., $D_{\text{Y}}=0.0077$ at 2 GPa, 0.0019 at 14 GPa). The pressure effect on the PC-IR diagram cannot be explained simply by the lattice strain model [4] but requires some additional factors. Increase in D_{Al} may be explained by the combination of two types of substitutions ($\text{Mg}^{2+}, \text{Mg}^{2+} \leftrightarrow (\text{Na}^+, \text{Al}^{3+})$ and $(\text{Si}^{4+}, \text{Mg}^{2+}) \leftrightarrow (\text{Al}^{3+}, \text{Al}^{3+})$). Decrease in D values for other trivalent cations implies that the latter type of substitution is the dominant mechanism.

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Tethys-wide occurrence of Lower Aptian *Lithocodium-Bacinella* facies: Shoalwater expression of basinal OAE1a black shales

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Lithocodium aggregatum and *Bacinella irregularis* are now extinct microencrusters of unknown taxonomic origin that thrived in (sub)tropical platform environments. During parts of the Early Aptian, these organisms experienced bloom periods and temporarily replaced rudist-coral assemblages as the dominant framework builders. Within the limitations of geological time resolution, this "out-of-balance" shoalwater facies seems to be coeval with the OAE1a-related black shale deposition in oceanic basins but the triggering environmental factors that caused this mass occurrence remain insufficiently understood. Having previously established the OAE1a-synchronous nature of *Lithocodium-Bacinella* facies across the Arabian Platform in Oman [1], recent work focuses on OAE1a time-equivalent exposures in Croatia, France and Portugal. Time correlation is based on high-resolution carbon-isotope stratigraphy supported by Sr-isotope stratigraphy focussing on selected rudist shell material. It is not the mere presence of *Lithocodium-Bacinella* as such that is of interest here – *Lithocodium-Bacinella* co-existed with many other neritic organisms throughout much of the Mesozoic – but the transient mass occurrence of these microencrusters and the coeval demise of the dominant mid-Cretaceous framework-builders (rudists and corals). Obviously, the transient dominance of *Lithocodium-Bacinella* facies is but one of the known responses of neritic platform systems to factors that also caused OAE1a. From other Tethyan localities, platform drowning [2] or the presence of bituminous limestones [3] have been reported. An improved comprehension of the effects of C-cycle perturbation on neritic palaeo-ecosystems is instrumental in understanding anoxic events to their full extent.

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