

Drivers of titanium isotope fractionation in magmatic series: A case study of Rindjani Volcano, Indonesia

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Titanium (Ti) stable isotopes are found to undergo mass-dependent fractionation during magmatic differentiation, driven primarily by the crystallization and removal of Fe-Ti oxides [i.e., 1,2]. Intriguingly, Ti isotopes appear to fractionate to different extents in different magmatic series compared to differentiation proxies like bulk SiO₂. Suggested drivers of differential fractionation include a change in the melt chemistry of alkaline, tholeiitic, and calc-alkaline melts, which then drive variable bulk system Ti isotope evolution through changes in mineralogy and mineral-melt fractionation factors [3]. Central to this puzzle is understanding the fractionation factors between Fe-Ti oxides and silicate melt that drive bulk system evolution, where very little data exist.

Here we present Ti isotope measurements of a calc-alkaline differentiation suite and corresponding mineral separates from Rindjani Volcano, Indonesia. These data allow us to calculate mineral-melt fractionation factors at different stages of differentiation, as well as evaluate the major Ti removal mechanisms that drove Ti isotope evolution of the melt. We find melt-oxide fractionation factors to range from 0.33 to 0.55 permil at 980 to 900°C, similar to data from other magma series [i.e., 1,2]. We also calculate that the fraction of Ti removal accomplished by oxide crystallization ($f_{\text{Ti oxide}}$) is significantly smaller here than in other magma series, due to the lower TiO₂ abundance of the melt and corresponding oxides. Our findings suggest that calc-alkaline magmas experience muted Ti isotope fractionation not solely because the oxides fractionate Ti isotopes to a lesser degree, but also because the fraction of TiO₂ removed by silicates ($f_{\text{Ti silicates}}$) becomes increasingly important to consider in low-Ti melts.

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