

# A geochemical and Sr-Nd and stable Ca isotopic study of Wajrakarur Kimberlites, India.

SURAJ SINGH CHAUHAN<sup>1</sup>, RAMANANDA CHAKRABARTI<sup>1</sup>, S RAVI IYER<sup>2</sup> AND HARISH MISTRY<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Indian Institute of Science

<sup>2</sup>Geological Survey of India

Presenting Author: surajc@iisc.ac.in

The ~1.1 Ga old Wajrakarur Kimberlites from the Eastern Dharwar Craton occur in four clusters [1-3]. While the depth of origin of these magmas are often debated (SCLM [3] versus asthenospheric mantle [4]), their compositions reflect limited crustal contamination [3, 4]. Calcium isotopic composition of the bulk silicate Earth (BSE,  $\delta^{44/40}\text{Ca}_{\text{SRM915a}}$ , 0.94 ‰) is primarily estimated from mantle xenoliths [5]. However, large variability in  $\delta^{44/40}\text{Ca}$  values exists in mantle derived rocks which reflects magmatic processes as well as crustal recycling [6]. Here we present Ca isotopic compositions of whole-rock kimberlites from Wajrakarur. These samples have also been analysed for their geochemical and Nd, Sr isotopic compositions. The  $\delta^{44/40}\text{Ca}_{\text{SRM915a}}$  values were measured using a double spike-TIMS [7] while Sr and Nd isotopic compositions were determined using TIMS; geochemical compositions were determined using a quadrupole ICPMS, all at the Centre for Earth Sciences, IISc, Bangalore.

The Wajrakarur kimberlite pipes display enriched trace element concentrations (e.g., [La] = 200-1300 times Chondrite) and light-REE enrichment with high La/Sm (5-15) and La/Yb (50-200). The  $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}_{(t)}$  ( $t = 1.1$  Ga) of most samples, screened for alteration, ranges from 0.70147 to 0.70391; these samples show mostly mantle-like Ce/Pb and Nb/U, consistent with their mantle derivation and minimal crustal contamination. The kimberlite sample KL2 displays radiogenic  $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}_{(t)}$  (0.70830), as well as low Ce/Pb (4.4) and Nb/U (0.8), all indicating crustal contamination. The  $\delta^{44/40}\text{Ca}_{\text{SRM915a}}$  values (0.99-1.42 ‰), measured in selected samples thus far, are higher than BSE. Such high  $\delta^{44/40}\text{Ca}_{\text{SRM915a}}$  values could reflect the role of garnet and/or orthopyroxene in the origin of these rocks.

[1] Kumar et al., 1993, *Precamb. Res.* 62, 227-237. [2] Kumar et al., 2007, *Precamb. Res.* 154, 192-204. [3] Chalapathi Rao et al., 2009, *Contrib. Min. Pet.* 157, 245-265. [4] Paton et al., 2009, *Lithos* 112S, 296-310. [5] Kang et al., 2017, *Earth. Planet. Sci. Lett.* 474, 128-137. [6] Banerjee et al., 2021, *Geochim. Cosmochim. Acta.* 307, 168-191. [7] Mondal and Chakrabarti, 2018, *Jour. Anal. Atm. Spec.* 33, 141-150.