



# Fluid regime during anatexis of the deep crust: clues from melt and fluid inclusions

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#### **Introduction** anatexis and the debate on fluid regime







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Low T anatexis

Melting conditions and dynamics in the crust are deeply affected by the fluid regime

### **Introduction** | anatexis and the debate on fluid regime |

#### The role of fluids in **high-temperature metamorphism and anatexis** remains a largely **<u>debated</u>** topic







• Dry lower crust and fluid-absent anatexis

very low permeability of the crust and the prevalent H<sub>2</sub>O-undersaturated character of crustal melts

|Thompson 1983 – JGSL| |Stevens & Clemens 1993 – CG|

Yardley & Valley – JGR | Clemens et al. 2016 – Prec Res

 Fluids (carbonic/aqueous/brines) as essential agents

present along the heating path or at metamorphic peak conditions

Newton et al. 1980 – Nature | Touret 1985

|Harlov et al 2005 – J.Pet| |Weinberg & Hasalova 2015 – Lithos|

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### **Introduction** | a brief on melt inclusions |

Melt inclusions

« Small droplets of melt that are trapped in minerals during their growth in the presence of a melt phase »

Cesare et al 2011 – JVE

#### **Melting**

#### **Crystallization**

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### **Introduction** | a brief on melt inclusions |

**Melting** 









Grt

Rt

Glass

Abundant in : enclaves

Investigate the primary composition of anatectic melts and fluid regime during crustal melting

Grt

Nanogranitoid

migmatites/granulites

et al 2009 – G|

Cesare (

(e)

crystallized MI

#### More about...

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2 µm

1 µm

Glassy

« Melt Inclusions in Migmatites and Granulites » by *Bernardo Cesare* (University of Padova) Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2019

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Bartoli et al 2016 – AM

glass

5µm

# General aspects of the Kinzigite Formation (Ivrea Zone)



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### **General aspects of the Kinzigite Formation (Ivrea Zone – NW Italy)**



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# Fluid regime of the deep crust : Case study of the metapelitic migmatites from the Kinzigite Formatiton



### **Case study**

Studied metapelitic migmatites were collected in the three main zones

- Upper Amphibolite (UA)
- Transition zone (Tr)
- Granulite (G)

Main goals: obtain the composition of the melts and fluid regime with increasing T



# **Studied samples**





#### ✓ Metatexite with narrow leucosomes

Bt ± relict Ms + Fibrolite (Sil) + Pl + Qz + Kfs + Gr + Grt + other accessory (Ap, Zir, Mnz)

Ms + Pl + Qz = melt + Sil + Kfs

 $Bt + Sil + Pl + Qz = Grt + melt (\pm Kfs)$ 

Small grains of garnet rich in inclusions





50 µm



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# **Studied samples**

#### **Transition Zone**



#### ✓ Stromatic metatexite

Bt + (Fibrolitic to prismatic) Sil + Grt + Kfs + Pl + Qz + Gr + other accessory (Ap, Zir, Mnz, Ru)

#### **Kinzigite**

used for rocks in which biotite is more abundant than garnet

Schmid 1968 – SMPM

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Schnetger, 1994 – CG used for rocks preserving amphibolite facies assemblages

#### $Bt + Sil + Pl + Qz = Grt + melt (\pm Kfs)$



Large grains of garnet rich in inclusions



# **Studied samples**

#### Granulite Facies



#### ✓ Residual diatexite

(Prismatic) Sil + Grt + Kfs + Pl + Qz ± Bt + Gr + other accessory (Ap, Zir, Mnz, Ru)

#### <u>Stronalite</u>

used for rocks in which garnet is more abundant than biotite |Schr



used for rocks preserving granulite facies assemblages |Schnetger, 1994 – CG|





Large grains of garnet rich in inclusions

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### Melt and fluid inclusions



#### **Primary inclusions**



Roedder 1984



Melt and fluid inclusions were trapped in the <u>same</u> anatectic event

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#### **Nanogranitoid inclusions**

(former melt inclusions)

#### Journal of METAMORPHIC GEOLOGY

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Anatexis and fluid regime of the deep continental crust: New clues from melt and fluid inclusions in metapelitic migmatites from lvrea Zone (NW Italy)

Bruna B. Carvalho 🕿, Omar Bartoli, Fabio Ferri, Bernardo Cesare, Silvio Ferrero, Laurent Remusat, Luca S. Capizzi, Stefano Poli



# **Nanogranitoid inclusions**

Absence of glassy inclusion
 Nanogranitoids (former melt inclusions now crystallized)

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2 µm
                                                                                      Bt
                                                                                                          1 µm
                                                                                                                         Qź
                                                                                             Qz
  Qz + Kfs + PI + Bt + Ms \pm ChI
                                                                                                     Gr
                                                                                                                 (d)
    \pm Gr \pm Sil \pm Ap \pm Mnz \pm Ru \pm Zir
                                                (trapped phases)
                                                                                                                     Kfs
                                                                                                             D
                                                                                       B
                                                                                                                  Ms
                                             Presence of polymorphs
                                                                                                         Qz
                                               Kumdykolite (albite)
                                                                                     2 µm
                                                                                                                 12 µn
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                                            Kokchetavite (orthoclase)
                                       Tridymite and Cristobalite (quartz)
                                                                                                                                49
                                                                                                                      Sillimanite
                                                                                                                                 Tridymite
                                                |Ferrero et al (2016) – CMP|
                                               |Ferrero & Angel (2018) – JPet|
                                                                                                     Kumdykolite
                                        Preserved original compositions
25 µm
                                        (including volatiles H<sub>2</sub>O and CO<sub>2</sub>)
                                                                                        200
                                                                                                400 500
                                                                                                      600 700
                                                                                           300
                                                                                     100
                                                                                                                                      500
                                                                                                                      100
                                                                                                                         200
                                                                                                                              300
                                                                                                                                  400
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(a)

(b)

Chl

Bt

Gr

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Gr

Kfs

# **Re-melting experiments**

Experiments using a single-stage, Johannes-type piston cylinder



Nanogranite inclusions in migmatitic garnet: behavior during piston-cylinder remelting experiments or matroit', B. CESARE', S. POLI', A. ACOSTA-VIGIL', R. ESPOSITO', A. TURINA' B. L. RODAN', B. L. ANGE', AND L. HUSTRE', C. SPOSITO', A. TURINA'



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### **Major element composition of the melts**

 ✓ All melts from the three zones are granitic (s.l.), peraluminous and have similar ranges of SiO₂ (70-78 wt.%)

✓ UA and Tr (similar): higher K₂O, lower
 CaO and lowest FeO+MgO

 ✓ G : higher CaO and reach higher FeO+MgO



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### **CIPW normative diagrams**

- ✓ Melts have <u>higher An</u> than MI from the literature
- ✓ Two groups (UA + Tr) & G
- ✓ UA and Tr (similar) : granite with variable Or/Ab ratios
- ✓ G: granodiorite, higher An

- ✓ UA + Tr: similar to MI from the literature (variable Or/Ab ratios)
- ✓ G: much lower Or contents



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# CO<sub>2</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>O of the melts



Circle = UA; diamond = Tr; square = G

✓ CO₂ contents are highest at granulite facies, lowest in the transition zone

UA : 861 to 1738 ppm T : 495 to 1534 ppm G : 739 to 2444 ppm

 ✓ Average H₂O contents are progressively lower with increasing T

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UA : 6.5 to 10 wt.% T : 4.8 to 8.5 wt.% G : 5.4 to 8.2 wt.%

#### ✓ Anatexis

Microstructural evidence suggests primary coeval entrapment of NI and FI during the growth of peritectic garnet :

Cesare et al 2015 – L; Roedder 1979

- inclusions are related to the same anatectic event
- Following the field gradient garnet is able to trap melt + fluid at >730°C and > 5.2 kbar

Experiments with granulite facies sample : garnet has trapped melt at 900°C showing that rocks have approached UHT conditions (in agreement with other works)

Luvizotto & Zack 2009 – CMP; Redler et al 2012 – JMG ; Ewing et al., 2013 – CMP

**Perple\_X 6.8.6 software** | Connolly, 2009 – G<sup>3</sup> | Thermodynamic database | Holland and Powell, 2011 – JMG | Equation of State for the fluid | Holland and Powell, 1998 – JMG |





#### ✓ Anatexis



Melt compositions are consistent with melting reactions consuming mica

Very contrasting compositions of anatectic melts at UA and T versus G :

#### <u>Melting</u>

• Higher T : controls FeO + MgO and CaO of melts

Gao et al 2016 – L; Johannes & Holtz 1996 ; Montel & Vielzeuf 1997 – L

- Decrease in K2O (biotite-out)
- Possible (minor) role of apatite in the Ca budget

elevated solubility of apatite in peraluminous melts

|Bea & Montero 1990 – GCA|



#### ✓ Fluid regime

Anatexis of the metapelites in the Ivrea Zone has been regarded as fluid-absent

|Schnetger 1994 – CG; Sinigoi et al 1974 – CMP; Redler et al 2011 – L and references therein |

#### However

coexistence of primary MI and C-bearing FI in in garnet and the measured CO₂ in the melts imply the presence of a COH fluid during anatexis

CO<sub>2</sub> contents in the melts are highest at granulite facies, and in agreement with expected values (rhyolite + COH fluid)

At granulite facies (850-900°C), the melts have higher  $\rm H_2O$  contents than usually assumed



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### Fluid inclusions

Carvalho et al submitted

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# **Introduction** | importance of Fluid inclusions |



Fluid inclusions (FI) are small droplets of a fluid phase encapsulated into rock-forming minerals



e.g. Roedder 1979



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Carvalho et al. 2019 - Fate of primary COH fluid inclusions in garnet from high-grade rocks

### Melt and fluid inclusions



#### **Primary inclusions**



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# Fluid inclusions are multiphase!

- ✓ Variable compositions and densities:
  - $\circ$  CO<sub>2</sub>-rich or CH<sub>4</sub>-rich (traces of N<sub>2</sub>)
  - $\circ$  CO<sub>2</sub> densities : 0.1 0.6 g/cm<sup>3</sup>





Inclusions are not completely filled up with crystals : 33 to 48% porosity

(10-52%)Sid (Fe# 69-74) + (3-48%)Prl + (27-73%)Kaol ±(<1.7%)Gr ±(<2.7%)Mgn (Fe# 26-46) ±(<2%)Cal ±(<10%)Qtz ±Cor

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### **Discussion**

# The multiphase fluid inclusions are composed of **solids + fluid phase**

Solid phases may be interpreted as :

Trapped minerals

A Daughter (precipitated directly from the entrapped fluid)



Step-daughter phases (interaction of the fluid with the host)

original fluid composition must have changed density decreased by the reaction with the host

e.g. Kleinefeld & Bakker 2000 – JMG ; Frezzotti & Ferrando 2007 – JMPS ; Berkesi et al 2012 – EPSL



# **Discussion** |Post-entrapment changes|

#### ✓ Interaction host-fluid (phase equilibria modelling)

**Perple\_X 6.8.6 software** | Connolly, 2009 – G<sup>3</sup> | Thermodynamic database | Holland and Powell, 2011 – JMG | Equation of State for the fluid | Holland and Powell, 1998 – JMG |

Two systems involving a finite amount of fluid and garnet in excess

 $\circ$  Garnet (X<sub>Mg</sub>=0.2) + pure CO<sub>2</sub> fluid

• Garnet ( $X_{Mg}$ =0.2) + binary CO<sub>2</sub>-H<sub>2</sub>O fluid (XCO<sub>2</sub> = 0.7)

Based on the 3D reconstruction of Multiphase fluid inclusions

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#### **Discussion** What was the original composition of the fluid?

Quantitative estimate on the composition of the fluid bounded in the step-daughter phases within the inclusions was made by a mass-balance approach using:

- volume estimates obtained by FIB-SEM serial sectioning.
- molar volume from the literature
- number of moles of carbonates and OH-bearing minerals

Composition of the fluid in a binary CO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O system

 $X_{CO_2}(CO_2/CO_2+H_2O)$  0.55 - 0.7



Inclusions	Ivrea Zone		
	1a	1b	1c
Solid phase (%)	67%	52%	60%
Siderite (Sid)	27.4	52.0	10.2
Ferroan-Magnesite (Mgs)	2.7	n.p.	n.p.
Quartz (Qz)	n.p.	n.p.	10.5
Pyrophyllite (Prl)	41.2	48.0	3.6
Kaolinite (Kaol)	27.5	n.p.	73.3
Graphite (Gr)	trapped	trapped	1.7
Corundum (Crn)	?	?	?
Calcite (Cal)	1.2	n.p.	0.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0



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#### **COH** fluid

$$\mathrm{CO}_2 + \mathrm{H}_2\mathrm{O} + \mathrm{CH}_4 + \mathrm{N}_2$$

Considerable proportions of H<sub>2</sub>O!!

# **Discussion** How relevant is this?

Gruf Complex (Central Europe) 0



### **COH** fluid silicate melt

(mixed inclusion)

 $CO_{3} + H_{3}O$ 

Examples of occurrences

reporting (n>22)

in high-grade rocks





Athabasca granulite (Canada) Ο



**COH** fluid

**CO**, ± H<sub>2</sub>O + traces of  $CH_4$  and  $N_2$ 



800-870°C , 0.75-1.1

GPa

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primary / peak cond

Safonov et al 2019

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corundum ± quartz Magnesite-siderite +

pyrophylite ± calcite

CO2, CH4, H2O

Grt

Limpopo Complex (South

Africa)

✓ In the three case studies the petrological evidence and phase equilibria modeling suggest that these multiphase fluid inclusions are result of interaction of the fluid with the host during cooling (retrograde path – clockwise or anti-clockwise), and that that the assemblages within the inclusions are metastable (easier nucleation)

✓ Our results suggest that primary  $CO_2$ -rich and COH FI entrapped in peritectic garnet are prone to change their nature to a carbonate ± hydrous silicate-bearing assemblage as a <u>natural consequence of cooling</u>

> Supposed primary unmodified monophase CO<sub>2</sub> FI in garnet previously reported in the literature are, in most cases, secondary, retrograde features.

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# **Take home message** | fluid inclusions |

Our results undermine the main pillar of the theory of carbonic fluidassisted metamorphism, casting doubts on the effective primary nature of many high-density carbonic FI in garnet from granulites.

BUT... we offer a novel and ground-breaking perspective to identify such a process:

only multiphase FI in peritectic minerals are true evidence of primary fluids operating at high grade conditions

and these occurrences are far from being uncommon...

Look for them at your thin sections too!!

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# **Take home message** | nanogranitoid inclusions |

Because the IZ records high-grade metamorphism and extraction of large volumes of crustal melt: it is considered an **ideal natural laboratory** to study melting processes that led to crustal differentiation and formation of S-type granites



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Carbonic fluid-present melting of the deep continental crust (together with breakdown melting reactions) may <u>also</u> represent an **important key process** in the origin of crustal anatectic granitoids



