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64 **Introduction**

65 It is well-known that subcontinental lithospheric mantle (SCLM) may record significant
66 heterogeneities in terms of both lithologies and geochemical composition as a result of the
67 development of different tectono-magmatic events over a large time span (Mukasa and Shervais,
68 1999; Rivalenti et al., 2007a,b; Mazzucchelli et al., 2009; 2010; 2016; Borghini et al. 2017;
69 Princivalle et al., 2014; Ponce et al. 2015; Rocco et al., 2017). On the other hand, the petrochemical
70 record on both lithospheric mantle and uprising melts can be very different owing to the
71 geochemical affinity of the melt, the composition of the peridotite mantle column, the modalities of
72 melt migration and the P, T, fO₂ and fH₂ conditions of the system. A unique study case in which to
73 characterize peculiar modifications affecting uprising mantle melts is the Phlogopite Peridotite
74 mantle unit of Finero (Cawthorn, 1975; Siena & Coltorti, 1989). The Finero Phlogopite-Peridotite
75 (FPP hereafter) is one of the most studied mantle massifs on the Earth. It crops out in the
76 northernmost part of the Ivrea-Verbano Zone (IVZ, western Alps, Italy; Fig. 1) and mainly consists

77 of an association formed by Phlogopite-bearing Amphibole harzburgites and dunites, both locally
78 associated to Phlogopite-bearing Amphibole pyroxenites. Such a lithologic association is apparently
79 the result of a main episode of pervasive to channelled porous flow migration of melts containing
80 large volume of crustal components, which induced a virtually complete metasomatic
81 recrystallization (Cawthorn, 1975; Siena & Coltorti, 1989 Hartmann & Wedepohl, 1993; Zanetti et
82 al., 1999, 2016; Grieco et al., 2001, 2004; Morishita et al., 2003, 2008; Raffone et al., 2006;
83 Selverstone & Sharp, 2011; Mazzucchelli et al., 2014; Tommasi et al., 2017).

84 The available geochronological data indicate that main events of melt migration took place in
85 Paleozoic times (Zanetti et al., 2016; Malitch et al., 2017), but many field, petrochemical and
86 geochronological data points to the development of tectono-magmatic events in Mesozoic times
87 (Stähle et al., 1990, 2001; Grieco et al., 2001; Matsumoto et al., 2005; Morishita et al., 2003, 2008;
88 Zanetti et al., 1999; 2016; Malitch et al., 2017).

89 Giovanardi et al. (2013) studied the occurrence of late Sapphirine-bearing (Spr) gabbroic dykelet
90 swarm previously reported in literature by Siena & Coltorti (1989) and discovered by M.
91 Mazzucchelli. On the basis of a detailed survey of petrography and the major element mineral
92 compositions, they furnish evidence for a multi-stage dyke formation, which involved fractional
93 crystallization associated to different patterns of melt-rocks interactions.

94 With the aim of better constraining the nature of the primitive melt and the petrological processes
95 inducing the segregation of Spr in the dykes, new, detailed petrochemical data are here reported for
96 dykes and host peridotites close to the area studied by Giovanardi et al. (2013) and a second one
97 placed in an adjacent area. Particular care has been dedicated to the characterise changes in major
98 and trace element mineral chemistry, as well as in its isotope O, Nd and Sr composition, to
99 document the geochemical fractionation eventually experienced by the flowing melt as a result of
100 the reaction with host peridotite and early cumulates. The genetic and temporal relationships
101 between the dyke emplacement and other events of melt migration recorded by the FPP unit, as well
102 as the related geodynamic scenarios, are also addressed.

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104 **Geological setting**

105 In the Finero area (Fig. 1), the IVZ crops out in a pseudo-antiform structure showing the FPP
106 mantle unit at the core, which is flanked by the so-called Finero Mafic Complex (Cawthorn, 1975;
107 Siena & Coltorti, 1989; Lu et al., 1997a, b; Zanetti et al., 2013, 2014; Giovanardi et al., 2014;
108 Mazzucchelli et al., 2014; Langone et al., 2017). The Mafic Complex is divided in three different
109 units: i) the stratigraphically lower Layered Internal Zone unit (LIZ), in contact with the FPP; ii) the
110 Amphibole-Peridotite (Amph-Pd); and iii) the External Gabbro (EG). The EG is placed in tectonic
111 contact with the Amphibole Peridotite by a Mesozoic high-T shear-zone (Langone et al., 2018). A
112 tectonic contact also characterises the transition towards the amphibolites-facies metasediments and
113 metabasites of the Kinzigite Formation (KF), which represent the metamorphic basement of the
114 Adria plate. Septa of KF rocks are embedded in the EG.

115 The Finero mafic-ultramafic sequence presents several differences with respect to the southern and
116 central sectors of the IVZ (i.e. the Baldissero and Balmuccia peridotite and the Val Sesia Complex;
117 Quick et al., 1995; Correia et al., 2012; Mazzucchelli et al., 2014 and references therein) providing
118 evidences of a different geological evolution (Zanetti et al., 2013, 2014, 2016; Langone et al., 2017,
119 2018). In particular, the FPP results completely recrystallized by several events of melt migrations
120 bringing crustal components (Zanetti et al., 1999; 2016; Mazzucchelli et al., 2014 and references
121 therein) and the relationships with the parent melts of the surrounding Mafic Complex are far to be
122 proved (Giovanardi et al., 2014). On the contrary, the peridotites cropping out in the central and
123 southern part of IVZ do not suffered a similar melt-induced recrystallization and were emplaced in
124 the Kinzigite Formation as tectonic slivers before the intrusion of the central and southern Mafic
125 Complex (Quick et al., 1995; Mazzucchelli et al., 2014 and references therein).

126 The FPP is mainly represented by Phl-bearing Amphibole harzburgites and associated Phl-bearing
127 pyroxenites (Cawthorn, 1975; Siena & Coltorti, 1989; Hartmann & Wedephol, 1993; Zanetti et al.,
128 1999; Raffone et al., 2006; Selverstone & Sharp, 2011; Mazzucchelli et al., 2014; Giovanardi et al.,

129 2018). These lithologies resulted from pervasive metasomatism in a depleted peridotite, which
130 formed secondary Opx, Amph and Phl (Zanetti et al., 1999, Tommasi et al., 2017). Channeled
131 migration events formed dunite bodies containing stratiform to podiform chromitites and, rarely,
132 pyroxenite and hornblendite layers (Grieco et al., 2001, 2004; Zanetti et al., 2016).

133 Late stages of porous-flow melt migrations crystallized Apatite-Dolomite-bearing wehrlites and
134 Apatite-rich orthopyroxene-bearing peridotites, which sometimes contain carbonate-bearing
135 domains showing marked modal and geochemical gradients with the host rocks (Zanetti et al., 1999;
136 Morishita et al., 2003, 2008; Matsumoto et al., 2005; Raffone et al., 2006). U-Pb analyses on Ap
137 and isotopic Noble Gases data provide Triassic ages (Morishita et al., 2008).

138 Apatite and Calcite also occur in dykes of Nepheline-bearing syenites, associated to hornblendites,
139 of Triassic age (Stähle et al, 1990, 2001). Lower Jurassic U-Pb zircon age was determined for an
140 alkali pegmatite (Grieco et al., 2001)

141 The rocks of the FPP related to the main event and the dunite bodies show similar geochemical
142 features and absence of geochemical gradients. The harzburgite-pyroxenite association and the
143 chromitites and pyroxenite layers in dunite bodies are depleted in Nb and HSF and significantly
144 enriched in K, Rb, Ba, Sr, LREE (Hartmann & Wedephol, 1993; Zanetti et al., 1999, 2016;
145 Mazzucchelli et al., 2014). The mineralogical and compositional features have been considered by
146 several Authors as the evidence of the role of slab-derived crustal component in the percolating
147 melts (Hartmann & Wedephol, 1993; Mazzucchelli et al., 1995; 2016; Rivalenti et al., 1995; 2007a;
148 Zanetti et al., 1999, 2016; Grieco et al., 2001, 2004; Morishita et al., 2003, 2008; Ponce et al., 2015;
149 and others). So far, a variety of different geochemical components has been identified according to
150 the isotopic data. In particular, isotopic Hf (in zircon) and O (in zircon and pyroxenes) composition
151 of chromite minerals points to the presence in the migrating melts of large volumes of continental
152 crust (Zanetti et al., 2016; Malitch et al., 2017), whereas, hydrogen, oxygen and chlorine isotope
153 compositions of Amph and Phl from the harzburgite-pyroxenite association show a variation range
154 (δD from -29 to -86‰, $\delta^{18}O$ from 4.9 to 6.1‰ and $\delta^{37}Cl$ from -2.0 to +2.1‰) consistent with

155 mixtures of magmatic fluids with sea-water (Hartmann & Wedepohl, 1993; Selverstone & Sharp,
156 2011).

157 Giovanardi et al. (2013) reported the occurrence in the FPP of late Spr-bearing gabbroic dykes.
158 These dykes crosscut at high angle the pervasive mantle foliation and the other lithologies, showing
159 different mineralogical and major element mineral chemistry features with respect to other FPP
160 rocks.

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162 **Samples and petrography**

163 Two different dykes and their host peridotites from the FPP unit were investigated. The first dike
164 (sample FI09C06, Fig. 2) was collected along the road that connects the National Road 631 to a
165 peridotite quarry located on the right flank of the Rio Creves valley (less than 100 m far from the
166 outcrops studied by Zanetti et al. 1999), while the second one (FI9664 sample) is from a boulder
167 along the Rio Creves, about 30 m upstream of its intersection with the Rio Cannobino. The host
168 peridotite has been collected 8 cm far from the FI09C06 dyke, and close to the contact with the
169 dyke documented by FI9664 sample.

170 Gabbroic dykes are centimetric in thickness (mostly 2-5 cm; Fig. 2). They show variable strike,
171 usually crosscutting at high angle the harzburgite-pyroxenite association (Fig. 2).

172 A Mesozoic age for these Spr-bearing dykes is constrained by the observation they also crosscut the
173 foliation of protomylonites in the external domains of Mesozoic shear zones (Matysiak &
174 Trepmann, 2015 and references therein), but are themselves deformed in a few cm-wide mylonitic
175 to ultramylonitic band parallel to the protomylonites foliation (Tommasi et al., 2017). Such a shear
176 zones were active at different crustal levels over a very long, Triassic-Jurassic time interval (235-
177 180 Ma; Langone et al., 2018 and references therein). This is also consistent with the observation
178 the all the late intrusive bodies discordantly intruding the pervasive mantle foliation by hydraulic
179 fracturing do not show ages older than Triassic (Stähle et al., 1990, 2001; Grieco et al., 2001;
180 Matsumoto et al, 2005).

181 The gabbroic dykes contain Spr (Giovanardi et al., 2013) and show a layered symmetric structure
182 consisting of melanocratic zones at peridotite contacts and a leucocratic zone representing the dyke
183 core (Fig. 2). The melanocratic zones, in turn, can be divided in three different bands.
184 Moving from the host peridotite to the dyke core, the following layers can be recognized:
185 1) an orthopyroxenite zone (hereafter Opx Zone), established within the ambient peridotite. Opx
186 locally shows recrystallized rims with growth of fine neoblasts of Opx and rarely Ol. Opx presents
187 sometimes exsolution lamellae. Locally, black Sp and Phl occur as accessory phase. Phl is
188 concentrated in interstitial position, but rarely, fills fractures within Opx crystals (Fig. 2).
189 Giovanardi et al. (2013) reported the occurrence of Spr-Amph-bearing recrystallisation front also in
190 the Opx Zone.
191 2) a first melanocratic zone (hereafter Early Amph Zone) inside the vein formed by dark-brown
192 Amph (up to 1 cm long, named 'Early Amph') and associated small Plg grains, Sp, Phl and Ap; in
193 these zones the magmatic texture is preserved as evidenced by Amph twinning. Ap and Sp mainly
194 occur as rounded inclusions in Amph, whereas Phl is in interstitial position.
195 3) a second melanocratic zone (hereafter Late Amph Zone), consisting of light-brown to green
196 Amph (named 'Late Amph'), green Sp, Spr and Phl. Spr occurs in three textural positions, namely
197 as: i) inclusions within Late Amph, ii) coronas rimming Sp, and iii) isolated/aggregate crystals in
198 interstitial positions (Fig. 2). Phl is an accessory phase in interstitial positions. Late Amph is smaller
199 than Early Amph, euhedral to anhedral in shape. Intermediate green-brown Amph, often associated
200 with Sp and Spr, is recognized near and through the Early Amph Zone - Late Amph Zone contact.
201 Recrystallization zones with fine-grained texture occur. The Late Amph Zone is not continuous
202 through the dykes. It forms patches, which can occur also only on one side of the leucocratic core of
203 the dyke, or that can extend up to the Opx Zone. The Late Amph Zone is more developed in sample
204 FI9664 (up to about 1.5 cm in thickness) with respect to sample FI09C06 (up to 1 cm in thickness).
205 Besides, Spr crystals in sample FI9664 can reach up to 1.5 mm in size, while in sample FI09C06
206 they are commonly < 0.2 mm.

207 4) a leucocratic zone (Leucocratic Zone, hereafter) formed by Plg and subordinate Amph (both
208 magmatic and relict from melanocratic zones). Ap occurs as accessory phase, sometimes included
209 in Plg or in relict of brown Early Amph. Rarely Ap contains calcite inclusions. Plg show twinning
210 (mainly Pericline and subordinately crossed Albite-Pericline), which is often partially or totally
211 erased by recrystallisation induced by late deformation. Magmatic Amph has greenish pleochroism
212 whereas relict Amph, ripped from the melanocratic zones, is brown. Amph often forms single-
213 crystal alignments parallel to the dyke strike, like in a flow-texture. Phl is rare and is associated to
214 Amph. Recrystallization zones show fine-grained equigranular texture. Rarely Fe-oxides, Fe-Ni
215 sulphides and pyrite occur.

216 The host peridotite away from the contact is a hornblende-harzburgite (according to Giovanardi et
217 al., 2018) in modal composition with porphyroclastic texture. It is characterised by the presence of
218 olivine (Ol) and orthopyroxene (Opx) porphyroclasts, with a secondary, undeformed mineral
219 assemblage dominated by amphibole (15% by Vol.), in association with orthopyroxene, spinel,
220 phlogopite and clinopyroxene, strictly similar to the dominant peridotite-type described by Zanetti
221 et al. (1999) and Tommasi et al. (2017). A detailed petrographic inspection highlight the occurrence
222 of a reacted peridotite zone approaching the Opx Zone. It is characterised by the presence of a
223 secondary mineral assemblage, modally dominated by long (up to 5 mm) phlogopite lamellae, to
224 which are associated subordinate amount of undeformed orthopyroxene, spinel, amphibole and
225 clinopyroxene. In the reacted zone, olivine was stable: conversely, the modal orthopyroxene content
226 is slightly lower than in the peridotite far from the vein. Primary (e.g. Olivine) and secondary
227 minerals into the reacted zones display elongation sub-parallel to the present-day vein strike.

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230 **Analytical methods**

231 Sample FI9664, representing the gabbroic dyke and the contact host harzburgite, was analyzed for
232 whole rock major and trace elements. Whole rock major elements and Sc, V, Cr, Co, Ni, Cu, Zn

233 were analysed by X-Ray Fluorescence Spectrometry (XRF), while Li, Rb, Sr, Y, Zr, Nb, Ba, REE,
234 Hf, Ta and Pb were analysed by Inductively Coupled Plasma - Mass Spectrometry (ICP-MS).
235 Analyses were performed following methods described by Mazzucchelli et al. (2010) (data reported
236 in Supplementary material A).

237 FI9664 and FI09C06 samples were analysed for mineral major element with the electron
238 microprobe JEOL 8200 Super Probe housed at the University of Milano. Analyses were performed
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240 X.

241 Mineral trace elements have been determined (as in Rivalenti et al., 2007b) with a LA-ICP-MS
242 housed at I.G.G.-C.N.R., U.O.S of Pavia (data are reported in Supplementary Material Y) using a
243 Perkin Elmer SCIEX DCR-e coupled with a solid-state laser source (Q-switched Nd:YAG, Quantel
244 Brilliant). Data reduction was performed using the GLITTER software. NIST SRM 610 was used as
245 external standard. Ca was used as internal standard for Cpx, Amph and Plg, Si for Ol, Opx and Phl,
246 and Mg for Sp. Precision and accuracy were assessed by repeated analysis of BCR-2g standard,
247 resulting better than 10% relative at ppm concentration level. Further information is reported by
248 Giovanardi et al. (2017).

249 The sample FI09C06 was selected for determination of O, Nd and Sr isotopic composition in
250 mineral separates, after that the combination of preliminary EMPA and LA-ICP-MS analyses had
251 suggested a more primitive nature for its parent melt.

252 O isotopes on pure mineral separates from FI09C06 sample were analysed at the I.G.G.-C.N.R.,
253 Pisa by conventional laser fluorination with a Finnigan Delta Plus mass spectrometer. 1-1.5 mg
254 aliquots of each phase were necessary to measure the oxygen isotope composition. Analyses were
255 performed following methods described by Perinelli et al. (2011). Data reported in Table 1.

256 Sr and Nd isotopic ratios on Amph and Plg separates from sample FI09C06 and the host harzburgite
257 were analysed at the laboratories of the Marine Environmental Sciences Laboratory (LEMAR: UBO
258 - CNRS - IRD - Ifremer) of the Institut Universitaire Européen De La Mer (Iuem), Université De

259 Bretagne Occidentale. Analyses were carried out after dissolution and chromatographic separations
260 using a TRITON Thermo-Ionization Mass Spectrometer (TIMS) following the procedure described
261 in Janin et al. (2012). Analyses were corrected for NBS987 reference material ($^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr} = 0.710241$
262 ± 0.000019 , $n = 6$) for Sr and La Jolla standard ($^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd} = 0.511847 \pm 0.000009$, $n = 3$) for Nd.
263 Data reported in Table 2.

264

265 **Bulk rock chemistry**

266 Gabbroic dyke FI9664 presents higher TiO_2 , Al_2O_3 , CaO , Na_2O , K_2O , and lower FeO and MgO
267 than the host harzburgite collected at the contact.

268 The gabbroic dyke has trace element abundances higher than one magnitude order with respect to
269 host harzburgite: only Rb and Li content is similar in both rocks (Fig. 3). The two rock types show
270 some similarities in element fractionation, namely, i) marked enrichments in LREE with respect to
271 M-HREE [$(\text{La}/\text{Yb})_{\text{N}}$ is 5.5 and 16-30 for dyke and host harzburgite, respectively; Primitive Mantle
272 data from McDonough and Sun, 1995], ii) $(\text{Th}/\text{U})_{\text{N}}$ and $(\text{Zr}/\text{Hf})_{\text{N}}$ always <1 and iii) positive Ba and
273 Pb anomaly. Conversely, the $(\text{Nb}/\text{Ta})_{\text{N}}$ is 1.6 for the gabbroic dyke and 0.7 for the host harzburgite.
274 gabbroic dyke FI9664.

275 Linearly-fractionated LREE-enriched patterns are also shown by the nepheline-bearing alkaline
276 dykes described by Stähle et al. (2001). However, these latter possess, in turn, trace element
277 contents significantly higher than that of the gabbroic dyke FI9664. Stähle's dykes also display
278 significant peculiarities in terms of fractionation of highly incompatible trace elements, such as U,
279 Th, Nb, Ta, Ba and Pb, with respect to REE.

280 The spiderdiagram of the peridotite close to the contact dike FI9664 shows some relevant
281 differences with respect to those reported by Hartmann & Wedephol (1993); i.e. large positive Pb
282 and Hf anomalies, larger Rb, U, Ba, Ta, Nb content, slightly lower LREE content (Fig. 3).

283

284 **Major element mineral chemistry**

285 *Host harzburgites*

286 Mineral composition of the host harzburgite far from the veins is similar to that of the harzburgite-
287 pyroxenite association reported by Zanetti et al. (1999). Amphibole is pargasite in composition,
288 with only one analysis giving Mg-hornblende composition, mica is phlogopite and clinopyroxene is
289 diopside.

290 Minor differences consist in slightly Fe-richer composition shown by Ol [Fo = $100 \times \text{Mg} / (\text{Mg} +$
291 $\text{Fe}^{2+}_{\text{tot}})$ molar ratio is 90.4-91.1], Opx, Spinel and Amph. Opx and spinel (Hercynite to Spinel in
292 composition) are also richer in Al. Due to their low Cr#, the FI09C06 oxides straddle the Hercynite
293 – Spinel boundary, while oxide in the FPP is Chromite. Lower Cr content is shown by Amph,
294 which is also characterised by lower Na and larger K.

295 At the contact with the vein, the Mg# does not change significantly in the minerals. Aluminium
296 decreases in Opx, Sp, Amph and Phl, while Ti is larger in both Amph and Phl. In Amph, Na
297 decreases, being balanced by larger K. Conversely, the Na/K ratio is very variable in Phl.

298 Opx from the Opx Zone has lower Mg# and CaO and higher Al₂O₃ (Fig. 4). Similarly, its
299 composition is different from the Opx from a Spr-bearing rock found in the LIZ northern unit of the
300 Finero Mafic Complex (Sills et al., 1983): the latter has lower Mg# and higher Al₂O₃ (Fig. 4).

301

302 *Gabbroic dykes*

303 Notwithstanding the similar internal banding, the two studied dykes show marked differences in
304 terms of major element mineral chemistry. Significant compositional changes are also shown for the
305 different types of Amph (i.e. Early, Late and Leuco; Fig. 6). The unique feature of the amphibole
306 major element chemistry common to both gabbroic dykes is the larger Al content exhibited by the
307 Late Amph: this feature was already highlighted by Giovanardi et al. (2013). Amph from gabbroic
308 dykes is mostly Pargasite in compositions (unit formula calculated according to Ridolfi et al.,
309 2018), but sometimes the Al substitution for Si in Late Amph is higher than 2 a.p.f.u., entering in
310 the Sadaganaite compositional field.

311 In particular, Amph from sample FI09C06 has distinctly lower Mg# (0.73-0.82) than in sample
312 FI9664 (0.85-0.87). In sample FI09C06, Mg# is lower in Early Amph than in Late and Leuco
313 Amph, while it is exactly the reverse in sample FI9664 (Fig. 6).

314 FI09C06 Amph also displays the lowest CaO and Na₂O and the highest TiO₂ and K₂O (TiO₂ 0.27-
315 2.19 wt.% and 0.31-1.28 wt.% respectively) (Fig. 6).

316 In sample FI09C06, TiO₂ linearly increases with the decrease of Mg#. TiO₂ is instead higher in the
317 FI9664 Early Amph than in the Leuco Amph, but distinctly higher TiO₂ contents are shown by Late
318 Amph. Again in FI9664 Early Amph the increase of Mg# is associated to increasing Cr and Ca, and
319 to decrease of Na and Al.

320 As a whole Amph from gabbroic dykes has higher Al₂O₃ and lower Mg# and Cr₂O₃ with respect to
321 others FPP lithologies, resulting similar to the Amph from the Spr-bearing rock in the LIZ (Sills et
322 al., 1983) (Fig. 6). Amph from the two gabbroic-dykes samples shows lower CaO and K₂O than the
323 respective host Amph and higher Na₂O (Fig. 6).

324 Phl from sample FI9664 presents narrow range of major element contents with respect to sample
325 FI09C06. In sample FI9664, Phl has higher Mg# values with respect to crystals from sample
326 FI09C06 (0.92-0.94 and 0.70-0.90 respectively) and commonly lower TiO₂ (Fig. 5). Phl from the
327 gabbroic dykes shows higher Al₂O₃ and lower Mg# with respect to the Phl from the host peridotite
328 and the harzburgite-pyroxenite association (Fig. 5).

329 Sp is mainly found in the Late Amph Zone. Unlike the Sp from the host harzburgite, the harzburgite-
330 pyroxenite association from Zanetti et al. (1999) and the chromitite layers in dunite bodies (Grieco
331 et al., 2001; 2004; Zanetti et al., 2016), the Sp from the gabbroic dykes does not contain Cr₂O₃ and
332 can be classified as Spinel (Mg# 0.46-0.75).

333 Plg from sample FI9664 is commonly more anorthitic with respect to the Plg from sample FI09C06
334 (An content 82-93 and 36-87, respectively). In both samples, some reversely zoned Plg are
335 recognized.

336 Spr composition falls near the 7:9:3 composition on the SiO_2 - $(\text{FeO}+\text{MgO})$ - $(\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3+\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_3+\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3)$
337 diagram (Fig. 7). Spr from sample FI9664 is higher in Al_2O_3 with respect to sample FI09C06, while
338 is lower in SiO_2 .

339 SEM investigations at the CIGS laboratories of the Università di Modena e Reggio Emilia
340 performed with an ESEM Quanta-200 (Fei Company-Oxford Instruments) suggest that Ap from
341 different zones of the dykes are Cl-apatites.

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343 **Trace elements compositions**

344 *Host harzburgite*

345 Amph and Cpx from harzburgite FI09C06 8 cm far from the contact are characterised by LREE-
346 enriched linearly fractionated patterns (Fig.s 8, 9 and 10). Their composition is similar to those of
347 the FPP harzburgite-pyroxenite association (Zanetti et al., 1999). Proceeding towards the contact
348 (i.e. FI9664 sample), Amph and Cpx show upward-convex REE patterns characterised by high
349 variability in absolute content (Fig.s 8, 9 and 10). These patterns are similar to those from Ap-rich
350 domains of Zanetti et al. (1999) (Fig.s 9 and 10).

351

352 *Gabbroic dykes*

353 The two gabbroic dykes show different trace element compositions. In the FI09C06 sample, Amph
354 from the Early Amph Zone and Leucocratic Zone have L-MREE-enriched upward-convex patterns,
355 similar to those of harzburgite near the contact (Fig. 8). In the Late Amph Zone, some crystals show
356 more fractionated pattern characterized by lower M-HREE and positive Eu anomaly (Fig. 8). These
357 variations are associated to a marked depletion in Ta, Zr, Hf, Y and Sc (and V) (Fig. 10). As a
358 whole, Amph from different zones of FI9664 sample show more fractionated REE patterns
359 characterized by enrichment in LREE and depletion in HREE (Fig. 8) with a nearly flat pattern in
360 the LREE region. Amph from Early Amph Zone of sample FI9664 presents a small Eu positive
361 anomaly $((\text{Eu}/\text{Eu}^*)_N$ among 1.04-1.65) which become more evident in the Amph from Late Amph

362 Zone ($(\text{Eu}/\text{Eu}^*)_{\text{N}}$ among 1.29-1.62). Amph from FI9664 sample is also enriched in Th, U and Pb
363 (and in Sr to lesser extent) with respect to FI09C06 ones (Fig. 10).

364 Similarly to Amph, REE patterns of Plg from sample FI9664 are more fractionated than those of
365 Plg from sample FI09C06, (Fig. 8). In both samples, Plg cores are more enriched for absolute
366 element abundances than Plg rims.

367 Ap displays the typical LREE enrichment and large Th, U and Pb contents (12.31-17.35 ppm, 4.35-
368 5.92 ppm and 2.18-4.19 ppm, respectively). Nb, Ta, Zr, Hf, Ti and Sc form negative anomalies
369 whose values are often below detection limit.

370 No systematic trace elements variations are found in Phl.

371

372 **O isotopes**

373 The $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ in FI09C06 silicates shows a steady increase from the contact (Opx-zone) to the
374 Leucocratic gabbro in the vein core, through the Early and Late Amph Zones (Fig. 11). In
375 particular, it varies from 5.81‰, std. dev. 0.11, in Opx from Opx Zone, to 6.9‰, std. dev. 0.05, in
376 Amph from the Early and Late Amph Zones, to 8.60‰, std. dev. 0.01, in the Plag of the gabbroic
377 core.

378 The $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ of Opx from Opx Zone lies within the mantle range. They are higher than the $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ value
379 reported by Hartmann & Wedephol (1993) for Cpx from the Phl-bearing Amphibole harzburgite
380 (Fig. 11), and for Opx from Ol-chromitites of FPP, but significantly lower than the Opx-from Opx-
381 chromitites (Zanetti et al., 2016).

382 Vein Amph and Plg have $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values significantly higher than mantle range (Fig. 11). They are
383 close to the highest found in Amph, Phl, Opx, Cpx and Zrc from the Phl-bearing Amphibole
384 harzburgites-pyroxenites (Hartmann & Wedephol, 1993; Selverstone and Sharp, 2011) and
385 chromitite layers of FPP (Zanetti et al., 2016).

386 The $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ obtained for the green spinel associated to sapphirine is markedly lower than those of
387 associated Late Amph ($\delta^{18}\text{O} = 4.38\%$, std. dev. 0.10), as expected due to crystal-chemical
388 constraints (see Bindeman, 2008 and references therein).

389

390 **Sr and Nd isotopes**

391 The trace element concentrations of the mineral separates of Early and Late Amph matches the
392 differences highlighted by LA-ICP-MS on thin section. The Sr and Nd isotopic compositions of
393 Early Amph and Late Amph from FI09C06 dyke are coincident within the analytical uncertainty
394 (Table 2). Plagioclase from the FI09C06 Leuco Zone shows the same Sr isotopic composition of the
395 amphiboles, and only slightly more radiogenic. Similar Sr isotopic compositions were documented
396 in Amph and Ap from discordant veins from FPP, which are characterised by higher $\text{Nd}^{143}/\text{Nd}^{144}$
397 (Morishita et al., 2008). The isotopic composition of dyke minerals is enriched with respect to
398 Depleted Mantle and MORB values, falling in the OIB field (Fig. 12). In particular, they lie
399 between the isotopic compositions of FPP hornblende-syenite dykes (bulk rock from Stähle et al.,
400 1990, 2001) and peridotites (Amph and Cpx from Obermiller, 1994). Amph separated from the host
401 harzburgite (collected far from the contact) show the most enriched radiogenic Sr and unradiogenic
402 Nd values never documented in literature for FPP rocks, considering both peridotites and dykes
403 (Fig. 12).

404

405 **Discussion**

406

407 **1) Constraints on Melt Percolation through Peridotite**

408 The two veins here studied share exactly the same internal banding of the sample described by
409 Giovanardi et al. (2013). This suggests that all the three veins were part of an interconnected
410 swarm, and this allowed to record the same sequence of petrologic events. According to the process
411 governing the emplacement of other dyke swarms in mantle sectors (e.g. Mazzucchelli et al., 2010

412 and references therein), it is considered that the melt flowing in the metasomatic haloes and in the
413 conduit was originally similar, suffering severe fractionation due to Assimilation and Fractional
414 Crystallisation. Exceptions will be highlighted and discussed.

415 The characterisation of the wall peridotite has revealed some peculiarities. It is a common
416 observation that metasomatic haloes of cm-to-m-scale wrapped out late dykes and veins formed by
417 melt segregation at mantle conditions. In most cases, the metasomatic haloes show marked
418 geochemical and mineralogical gradients as a function of the distance from the dike contact (Zanetti
419 et al., 1996; Ionov et al., 2002, Mazzucchelli et al., 2010; Borghini et al., 2016, 2017), which are
420 interpreted as the result of porous flow percolation of melt escaping from the open conduits.
421 Conversely, no progressive mineralogical or compositional variation is documented into the wall
422 peridotite FI9664 at variable distance from the vein (see Supplementary material B). Newly-formed
423 clinopyroxene actually shows trace element heterogeneities, but these are randomly distributed.
424 Conversely, trace element composition of Amph is very homogeneous, indicating a late
425 crystallisation from a unique melt.

426 The peculiar L/MREE-enriched convex-upward patterns shown by Cpx and Amph from the wall
427 peridotite FI9664 also evidence that their parent melt could not be the same from which crystallised
428 the adjacent Early Amph in dyke FI9664 (which show linearly-fractionated REE patterns).
429 However, according to Amph trace element composition, the melt recorded by the wall peridotite
430 FI9664 had to be quite similar to that producing the Early Amph Zone of dyke FI09C06.

431 The textural evidence that primary and secondary minerals into the metasomatic haloes display
432 elongation sub-parallel to the present-day vein strike confirms that the development of melt
433 migration channels was associated to some local deformation.

434 These observations can be reconciled assuming that the metasomatic haloes were not produced by
435 melt escaping normally from the conduit. They were likely established during an early stage of melt
436 migration occurred via focused porous flow along channels developed in correspondence of
437 structural weakness, whose direction was roughly parallel to the strike of the present-day veins.

438 Detailed petrographic inspection indicates that in the reacted wall peridotite olivine was stable.
439 Conversely, the modal content of orthopyroxene is slightly lower than in the peridotite far from the
440 vein. This evidence brings us to consider that the Opx-saturation of the melts indicated by the
441 segregation of reactive Opx Zone and the presence of few Opx in the veins (Giovanardi et al., 2013)
442 was not a clear, primary characteristic, but possibly a consequence of early stage of reactive melt
443 migration characterised by olivine–precipitation and orthopyroxene dissolution (see Piccardo et al.,
444 2017).

445 Besides, the mineralogical mismatch between the nearly monomineralic, hydrous-mineral-free Opx
446 Zone and the Early Amph Zone suggests that they were segregated by the melts compositionally
447 different. This hypothesis is confirmed by large differences in terms of isotope O composition
448 recorded by Opx (5.8‰ SMOW) from Opx Zone and the Early Amph Zone (6.9‰ SMOW) within
449 the vein. The lighter isotope O composition of the Opx Zone would support a hybrid composition of
450 its parent melt due to reactive porous flow through the FPP, with buffering of isotope O
451 composition at mantle values.

452 This conclusion brings us to take into consideration the possibility that Opx-Zone formed before the
453 segregation of the Amph Zones, possibly at the centre of the migration channels, as observed
454 elsewhere in the FPP. It was successively split in two parts by the opening of the fracture.

455

456 **2) Melt segregation in the open conduit**

457 Early Amph was segregated when melts started flowing in actually open fractures. It is likely that
458 Amph crystallisation was triggered by the presence of an ultramafic wall, suggesting that Plg was
459 unstable in contact with the orthopyroxenite layers. The development of Amph-rich selvages has
460 been already documented in literature, where hydrous gabbroic rocks come in contact with
461 ultramafic layers (e.g. in the LIZ of Finero Complex, Mazzucchelli et al., 2014). Moreover, it is a
462 common observation that in dykes/veins produced by percolation of late hydrous melts/fluids
463 through oceanic gabbroic rocks, Amph grows in correspondence of wall Cpx, whereas new Plg

464 segregates in textural positions in which the wall mineral is previous Plg (Cortesogno et al., 2004;
465 Tribuzio et al., 2014).

466 The vein minerals of this study show significant differences in terms of major and trace element
467 mineral compositions. In particular, Amph from FI9664 vein shows a peculiar relative enrichment
468 in highly incompatible trace elements (U, Th, LREE, Na) and compatible elements (Mg, Ca and Cr)
469 with respect to those from FI09C06 vein. Consistently, Phl is Mg-Na-richer and Plg is more
470 anorthitic. Assuming that the dyke swarm was produced by the injection of the unique melt, this
471 relationship cannot be reconciled by a melt evolution only governed by fractional crystallisation.
472 Mazzucchelli et al. (2010) documented the same correlation between compatible and incompatible
473 elements in minerals from cm-thick diorite dykes demonstrating that such geochemical features can
474 be modelled considering an assimilation of host minerals concomitant to fractional crystallisation.
475 Accordingly, we argue that the parent melt of vein minerals FI9664 can be considered more evolved
476 than that of dyke FI09C06 through AFC process. The concomitant enrichment of Na and Ca in the
477 FI9664 vein minerals evidence the role of Amph in the assimilated component. This is also
478 confirmed by the trace element patterns of FI9664 vein amphiboles, in which highly incompatible
479 elements, such as LREE, Th and U, increase, whereas moderately incompatible element such as
480 HREE, Ti and Y decrease, moving towards the fractionation shown by those of host harzburgite
481 away from the contact. The decrease of moderately incompatible elements with the progression of
482 the melt evolution may be indicative of $f^{Amph/L}D$ higher than 1 (Tiepolo et al., 2007). It is noteworthy
483 that the Al content in FI9664 Early Amph is comparable to slightly lower than in those from
484 FI09C06 vein, suggesting that the assimilation of host minerals was not effective in boosting the Al
485 concentration the evolving melt.

486

487 **a) Formation of Sapphirine-bearing patches**

488 The petrographic features of the Sapphirine-bearing zones documented on samples are similar to
489 those described by Giovanardi et al. (2013).

490 The mm-to-cm-thick Sapphirine-bearing patches and stripes are randomly distributed from the
491 internal end of the hornblendite seam to the Opx Zone, even though are basically concentrated
492 towards the centre of the veins. They are apparently the results of interstitial migration of a melt
493 chemically in disequilibrium with the early cumulus minerals, as testified by actual recrystallization
494 fronts inside large Early Amph. Both interstitial and recrystallized patches show that the injected
495 melt was saturated in Late Amph, Spr and Sp, whereas the saturation in Phl is uncertain, because it
496 occurs only interstitially, and the textural relationships are not unequivocal.

497 The following series of petrographic and geochemical features suggest that the sapphirine-bearing
498 mineral assemblages were not simply related to interaction with the parent melt of the Leucocratic
499 Zone, but segregated because of the injection in the dykes swarm of an additional melt component
500 coming from outside of the system:

- 501 1) Early Amph at the contact with or embedded by the plagioclase of the Leuco Zone does not
502 show any evidence of comparable reaction;
- 503 2) Notwithstanding the significantly different major element composition of Early Amph
504 documented in the two veins of this study, the major element chemistry of Spr-associated
505 Late Amph converge towards specific Al and Mg# values. Phlogopite shows a consistent
506 variation, even though its attribution to Early or Late Amph assemblages is doubtful because
507 of its interstitial position. The data reported by Giovanardi et al. (2013) confirm the trend.
508 This indicates that a unique component with a specific composition was responsible of the
509 Spr segregation in the three sectors of the dyke swarm.
- 510 3) Normalised patterns of Late Amph from Spr-bearing areas shows peculiar features, namely
511 stronger LREE/HREE fractionation, depletion in M-HREE, Zr, Hf, Nb, Ta, Ti, Sc and V, and
512 the appearance of positive Eu anomaly. It is also observed the inversion of the $(Zr/Hf)_N$,
513 which is >1 in the Early Amph, but <1 in the Late Amph. The overall fractionation mimics
514 that normally exhibited by Plg.

515 This evidence, consistently with the apparent increase of the Al content in the system, suggests
516 that the injected melt contained large volumes of Plg component.

517 Isotopic O, Nd and Sr compositions of Early and Late Amph are very similar, suggesting that
518 the Plg component belonged to the same magmatic cycle producing the dyke swarm.

519 On the other hand, petrographic survey has never provided evidence of Plg assimilation and/or
520 replacement by Amph or whatever, excluding that the Plg component derived by local
521 assimilation. Thus, it is envisaged that the Plg signature was acquired by the injected melt
522 through: 1) assimilation of cumulus Plg in hidden magmatic bodies; 2) addition in the melt
523 source, where it was likely present has high-P metamorphic equivalent of pristine Plg.

524

525 **b) The Leucocratic Zone**

526 The petrographic evidence confirms that the formation of the Leucocratic layers was a high energy
527 event, which determined the partial disaggregation of the Early Amph layers, with evident breaking
528 of large Early Amph crystals. It can be locally recognised that two parts of a formerly unique crystal
529 apparently lie on different sides of a vein. Giovanardi et al. (2013) suggested that this stage was
530 accompanied by enlargement of the conduits.

531 The Nd and Sr isotopic composition of Plg indicates that the parent melt had a cognate origin with
532 those of the hornblendite selvages. This is also confirmed by the trace element composition of the
533 Leucocratic Amph, which is strictly similar to that of the associated Early Amph.

534 Nevertheless, the observation that the major element chemistry of Leucocratic Amph is
535 intermediate between that of Early and Late Amph, brings has to conclude that the parent melt of
536 the Spr-bearing assemblages could be still present in diluted proportions.

537

538 **3) Nature of the parent melts**

539 The assessment of the nature of the parent melt of magmatic segregates belonging to narrow, cm-
540 thick veins/dykes intruding mantle peridotites at high-T-P mantle conditions must be done with

541 particular caution, trying firstly to characterize the modifications imparted by fractional
542 crystallization of minerals and the reaction/assimilation with the host rock (e.g. Mazzucchelli et al.,
543 2010 and references therein).

544 **a) Isotope O composition**

545 An important contribution about the definition of the geochemical components in the upcoming
546 melts is provided by the marked zoning in terms of isotopic O composition documented in the
547 sample FI09C06 among i) the Opx Zone, ii) the hornblendite selvage and iii) the Leucocratic Zone.

548 The $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values of Early and Late Amph (6.9 ‰ SMOW) are well-exceeding the mantle range
549 (Bindeman, 2008; Polat et al., 2018), pointing to large volumes of crustal component in the parent
550 melt of FI09C06 hornblendite. The proportion of crustal component still increases into the
551 leucocratic layer, where a $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ value of 7.8 ‰ SMOW can be calculated for the Amph in
552 hypothetical equilibrium with the Plg composition (8.6‰ SMOW), conservatively considering i) a
553 low closure T for FPP of $\sim 850^\circ\text{C}$ (provided by pyroxene-solvus geothermometers), ii) an average
554 value of An70 for plagioclase and iii) the $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ mineral fractionation values reported by Bindeman
555 (2008).

556 Literature data on FFP minerals show a pronounced heterogeneity in merit to the isotopic O
557 composition, with $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values from below to well-above the mantle range (Hartmann and
558 Wedephol, 1993; Selverstone and Sharp, 2011; Zanetti et al., 2016). This is an apparent result of
559 multiple melt-migration events.

560 Values of $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ approaching that Early and Late Amph have been sometimes documented in
561 harzburgites and chromitites (Hartmann & Wedephol, 1993; Zanetti et al., 2016), but the values of
562 the Leucocratic layers are markedly out of range.

563 Besides, the $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ value shown by Opx (5.81 ‰ SMOW) from the Opx Zone provides a very
564 important constraint, indicating as migrating melts, after prolonged interaction with FPP, may have
565 isotopic oxygen composition buffered to the mantle range. The decrease of $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values in the

566 minerals from the hornblendite selvages with respect to those from dyke core, i.e. the Leucocratic
567 Zone, confirms such a buffering effect.

568 It is concluded that the high $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ shown by dyke minerals cannot apparently be the result of
569 interaction between melts and FPP. It was a primary feature of the melts, indicating the occurrence
570 of large amounts of crustal components, which must have been added to the melt in the source
571 regions or, anyway, at deeper mantle depths.

572 Subduction-related component was identified on the basis of Noble Gases isotopic composition in
573 late, Triassic apatite-rich layers (Matsumoto et al., 2005, Morishita et al., 2003, 2008), overprinting
574 the crustal affinity of the host FPP. Amphiboles from such Ap-layers show the same radiogenic Sr
575 composition of FI09C06 minerals, coupled to slighter more radiogenic Nd composition.

576 The isotopic composition of Early Amph, Late Amph and Plag from FI09C06 dyke is significantly
577 richer in radiogenic Sr and unradiogenic Nd with respect to those reported by nepheline-bearing
578 Triassic intrusions cutting the FPP (Stähle et al., 1990, 2001), which were interpreted as derived by
579 alkaline melts of OIB-affinity.

580 The combination of the data of nepheline-bearing alkaline dykes, the Spr-bearing dykes and FPP
581 data define a trend at low radiogenic Nd and large radiogenic Sr, suggesting a mixing between
582 asthenospheric components (OIB, according to Stähle et al., 1990; 2001 and Schaltegger et al.,
583 2015) with components derived from continental crust (see compositional fields in Casetta et al.
584 2018a). It is apparent that such a trend is approached by the Sr and Nd isotopic composition of
585 Triassic K-rich calc-alkaline to shoshonitic intrusive rocks and lavas of the Eastern Alps (Casetta et
586 al., 2018a; Figure 12).

587 Speculatively, it can be considered that the crustal components were seated at lithospheric deep
588 levels after the Variscan orogenic cycle (e.g. Bonadiman et al., 1994) and mobilized by
589 asthenospheric magmatism. This scenario is supported by the evidence of continental crustal
590 metasomatism exhibited by mantle bodies involved in the Variscan collisional orogeny, such as

591 FPP, Ulten (Sapienza et al., 2009) and some of the Bohemian Massif (Becker et al., 1999;
592 Schulmann et al., 2014).

593 In this frame, it can be noted that the FI09C06 isotopic compositions of Sr and Nd lie on the mixing
594 line between the composition of the Triassic alkaline dykes and the host harzburgite far from the
595 contact. According to AFC simulation, assimilation of significant degrees of the metasomatised
596 peridotite material (15%) into OIB must be taken into account to document the composition of the
597 parent melt of FI09C06 veins.

598 **c) Trace elements**

599 The comparison of the trace element patterns of the Amph from the vein apparently less
600 contaminated by the host peridotite (FI09C06) with those of amphiboles segregated by primary
601 hydrous alkaline basalts (e.g. Demeny et al., 2005) evidences similarity in REE fractionation, but
602 the Early Amph have absolute content nearly one magnitude order higher. Besides, a correlation
603 with primary alkaline mantle melts is not straightforwardly supported by the negative Nb-Ta-Ti
604 anomalies shown by Early Amph.

605 Equilibrium liquids calculated on the basis the trace element composition of Early Amph from
606 FI09C06 dyke and amphibole-melt partition coefficients experimentally determined for T of
607 1015°C in presence of moderately polymerized melts (dataset T2 1015; Tiepolo et al., 2007), match
608 the REE content and fractionation exhibited by Shoshonitic rocks of the Triassic magmatism of the
609 Dolomitic areas (Casetta et al., 2018a; 2018b; see Supplementary material C). The calculated melts
610 also show consistent negative Ti anomalies and $(\text{Nb/La})_N$ close to 1, and slight positive U, Th and
611 Pb anomalies: the latter are more pronounced in the shoshonitic melts. However, a best match in
612 terms of U, Th and Pb concentrations is shown by equilibrium liquids calculated in equilibrium
613 with amphiboles from the 9664 dykes. These observations suggests that the Spr-bearing gabbroic
614 dykes may be the record of the deep mantle input to the Triassic K-rich calc-alkaline to shoshonitic
615 melts erupted into the Eastern Southern Alps, also documenting the fractionation trends responsible
616 for the enrichment in Th, U and Pb.

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618 **4 Constraints on the Geodynamic evolution of the Europe-Africa boundary**

619 a) P-T constraints on FPP

620 Geothermobarometric estimates constrain the intrusion of Spr-bearing dykes at very high-P and T
621 conditions. Ab-initio calculations indicate that primary crystallization field of Spr in the MAS
622 diagram ($\text{SiO}_2\text{-MgO-Al}_2\text{O}_3$) becomes definitely larger over 1.0 GPa, shrinking at 2.0 GPa
623 (Belmonte et al., 2014). This evidence confirms the experimental results of Liu & Presnall (1990,
624 2000) and Milholland & Presnall (1998), indicating that magmatic Spr in FPP veins likely
625 crystallised at $P \geq 1$ GPa. Equilibrium T estimated with the Spr-Sp Mg-Fe²⁺ exchange thermometer
626 of Sato et al. (2006) and with the Amph-Plg thermometer of Holland & Blundy (1994) are mostly
627 higher than 1000°C (up to 1085°C), confirming the T estimates of Giovanardi et al. (2013). The
628 melt T was thus significantly higher than host harzburgite, which shows solidus T typically
629 corresponding to that of the water-oversaturated peridotite (965°C at $P = 1.1$ GPa; Giovanardi et al.,
630 2013). The absence of evidence for partial melting in the host FPP confirms that the source of the
631 uprising melts was at greater, mantle depths. The high T, in combination with the large water and
632 volatile contents, may have allowed the melt to migrate via porous-flow along direction of
633 structural weakness (see Tommasi et al., 2017), before the opening of the conduits.

634 The high-P emplacement conditions are consistent with the scenario for which after Paleozoic
635 metasomatism the FPP remained at greater depths than the large lherzolitic mantle bodies South of
636 the Anzola-Val Grande High-T shear zone (namely, from North to South, Premosello, Balmuccia
637 and Baldissero; Quick et al., 1995), until its exhumation at shallower levels at ~180 Ma (Zanetti et
638 al., 2013, 2016; Langone et al., 2017, 2018; Decarlis et al., 2017, Malitch et al., 2017; Petri et al.,
639 2019).

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641 **b) Constraints on the Mesozoic mantle sources at the Africa-Europe Boundary**

642 The outcomes of this study indicate that in Mesozoic times, melts extremely rich in volatiles (H₂O,
643 P, CO₂ and Cl), K, Na and highly-incompatible element rose up from the mantle depths towards the
644 surface. The large amount of the crustal components present in the melts, as testified by the O
645 isotopic composition, bring us to consider that their large Al content, the enrichment in LILE and
646 LREE, and the enriched Nd and Sr isotopic composition consistent were basically a primary feature
647 inherited from the source.

648 This finding confirms the extreme complexity of the tectono-magmatic scenario recorded by the
649 FPP. In particular, it evidences as the Northern IVZ records an extremely prolonged release (lasted
650 from the Variscan orogenic cycle to the Mesozoic exhumation of lithospheric mantle at shallower
651 levels) of K-H₂O-rich mantle-derived melts polluted by subduction-related components. This
652 explains why FPP records many generations of Phl-bearing mineral assemblages, showing variable
653 field relationships, geochemical signature and ages (Hartmann & Wedehol, 1993; Zanetti et al.,
654 1999; 2013; 2016; Stähle et al., 1990; 2001; Greco et al., 2001;2004; Morishita et al., 2003, 2008;
655 Malitch et al., 2017). It also provides a new interpretative frame to previous data indicating the
656 emplacement of melts with subduction-related components in Triassic times (Mastumoto et al.,
657 2005; Morishita et al., 2008, Malitch et al., 2017)

658 Such a magmatism bearing subduction component appears roughly overlapped to the ascent of
659 silica-undersaturated alkaline melts of OIB-affinity (Stähle et al., 1990, 2001, Schaltegger et al.,
660 2015), which likely have some counterparts also in the Central IVZ (Fiorentini et al., 2018; Galli et
661 al., 2019).

662 It developed in a concomitant extensional-transensional tectonic regime, whose origin and
663 geodynamic scenario are still strongly debated (Cassinis et al., 2008; Zanetti et al., 2013; Casetta et
664 al., 2018a,b)

665 Further investigations are needed to address the issues whether crustal components are remnants of
666 old subduction events (Bonadiman et al., 1994), possibly located at lithospheric levels, reactivated
667 by asthenospheric magmatism with OIB or DM affinity, or whether they were crustal material

668 recycled into asthenospheric mantle sources (Locmelis et al., 2016), or related to the addition of
669 crustal components in relation to some active Mesozoic subduction (Cassini et al., 2008; Schmid et
670 al., 2008; Morishita et al., 2008; Selverstone and Sharp, 2011; Zanetti et al., 2013).

671 It is a matter the fact that the major (in particular the enriched composition in K and Al), trace and
672 Sr and Nd isotopic composition of the sapphirine-bearing gabbroic rocks approach the geochemical
673 feature shown by Triassic K-rich calc-alkaline to shoshonitic magmatism of the Dolomites area
674 (eastern Alps) (Casetta et al., 2018a,b). Thus, it is confirmed that the study of the magmatic events
675 at the roots of the continental crust of the Adria plate can provide a unique opportunity to constrain
676 the tectono-magmatic evolution of at the Europe-Africa boundary.

677

678 **Concluding remarks**

679 New, very detailed surveys on Mesozoic Spr-bearing gabbroic dykes within the FPP unit led to
680 describe different stages of melt migration (from porous-flow migration in peridotite channels to
681 flow in open conduits) and constrain the presence in the parent melts of large amounts of
682 continental crustal components that were acquired in the source region or at deeper lithospheric
683 mantle levels.

684 The reaction between dyke melts and the strongly metasomatised FPP enhanced the crustal
685 signature.

686 The large Al content of these melts allowed for the segregation of magmatic sapphirine, which is
687 marker of high-P-T conditions of intrusion.

688 This dyke swarm possibly represents a record of the mantle input to the K-rich calc-alkaline to
689 shoshonitic magmatism widespread during Triassic in the Southern Alps area.

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937 **Figure captions**

938 Figure 1: geological map of the Finero area, modified after Mazzucchelli et al. (2014).

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940 Figure 2: A) sample FI09C06 crosscutting the host harzburgite foliation. The centre of the dyke is
941 formed by the Leucocratic Zone, while the melanocratic zones (i.e. Opx Zone, Early Amph Zone
942 and Late Amph Zone) are indistinguishable; B) phlogopite vein cutting the Opx Zone; C-F)

943 occurrences of sapphirine in sample FI09C06 (C and D) and sample FI9664 (E and F). The figures
944 show the increase of sapphirine size, from μm (C) to millimeter (D and E) up to centimeter (F).

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946 Figure 3: PM primitive mantle-normalized bulk rock trace element patterns of gabbroic dyke and
947 host harzburgite. PM values are from McDonough and Sun (1995). Literature values from the
948 harzburgite-pyroxenite association from (1) Hartmann and Wedephol (1993) and from nepheline-
949 bearing hornblende syenitic dykes from (2) Stähle et al. (2001) are reported for comparison.

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951 Figure 4: Orthopyroxene major element contents from host harzburgites, dykes and literature data.
952 Plotted literature data are: harzburgite-pyroxenite association orthopyroxene from (1) Zanetti et al.
953 (1999) and orthopyroxene from sapphirine-bearing rock from the Mafic Complex from (2) Sills et
954 al. (1983).

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956 Figure 5: Phlogopite major element contents from host harzburgites, dykes and literature data.
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960 Figure 6: Amphibole major element contents from host harzburgites, dykes and literature data.
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964 from the Mafic Complex from (3) Sills et al. (1983).

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966 Figure 7: Sapphirine compositions plotted in the $(\text{MgO}+\text{FeO})-(\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_3+\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3+\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3)-\text{SiO}_2$
967 diagram (mol. %). Literature data are from sapphirine from the Finero Mafic Complex (Sills et al.,
968 1983) and from sapphirine 1 from Higgins et al. (1979).

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970 Figure 8: REE patterns of clinopyroxene and amphibole from the gabbroic dykes and the
971 respectively host rocks divided for samples and position. Values are normalized to Chondrite-I (CI,
972 values from Lyubetskaya and Korenaga (2007). $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values (normalized to SMOW) from phases of
973 sample FI09C06 are reported near the REE patterns according to their position in the sample.

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975 Figure 9: PM primitive mantle-normalized trace element patterns of clinopyroxene from host
976 harzburgite. PM values are from McDonough and Sun (1995). Plotted literature data are:
977 clinopyroxene and amphibole average compositions from harzburgite-pyroxenite association from
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980 Ap-veins.

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982 Figure 10: PM primitive mantle-normalized trace element patterns of amphiboles from gabbroic
983 dyke and host harzburgite. PM values are from McDonough and Sun (1995).

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991 Figure 12: $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ vs $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ recalculated at 225 Ma of Amph and Plg from the various zone
992 of FI09C06 sample (host and dyke). (1) Amph data of FPP from Obermiller (1994); (2) bulk rock of
993 the Finero Mafic Complex from Lu et al. (1997b); (3) Alkaline dyke in FPP from Stähle et al.
994 (1990); (4) Alkaline dyke in FPP from Stähle et al. (2001); (5) Mesozoic shoshonitic magmatism

995 (SS: Silica-Saturated; US: Undersaturated-Silica) in the Predazzo area from Casetta et al. (2018);
996 DMM from Workman and Hart (2005). Mixing model was calculated between the two end-
997 members the alkaline dyke S9 of Stähle et al. (1990) and the hosting peridotite FI09C06. Data for
998 the melt in equilibrium with the alkaline dyke S9 are: $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd} = 0.512607$, $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr} = 0.703720$
999 (from Stähle et al., 1990; recalculated at 225Ma), Nd = 8.333 ppm and Sr = 830 ppm (calculated
1000 from LA-ICP-MS Plg analysis of albitite dykes similar to the dyke of Stähle et al., 1990, using the
1001 K_d of Dohmen and Blundy, 2014; average Nd = 0.25 ppm, Sr = 5810 ppm). Data for the melt in
1002 equilibrium with the host FPP peridotite are $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd} = 0.512130$, $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr} = 0.708501$
1003 (recalculated at 225Ma), Nd = 67.5 ppm and Sr = 909 ppm (calculated using the K_d of Ionov et al.,
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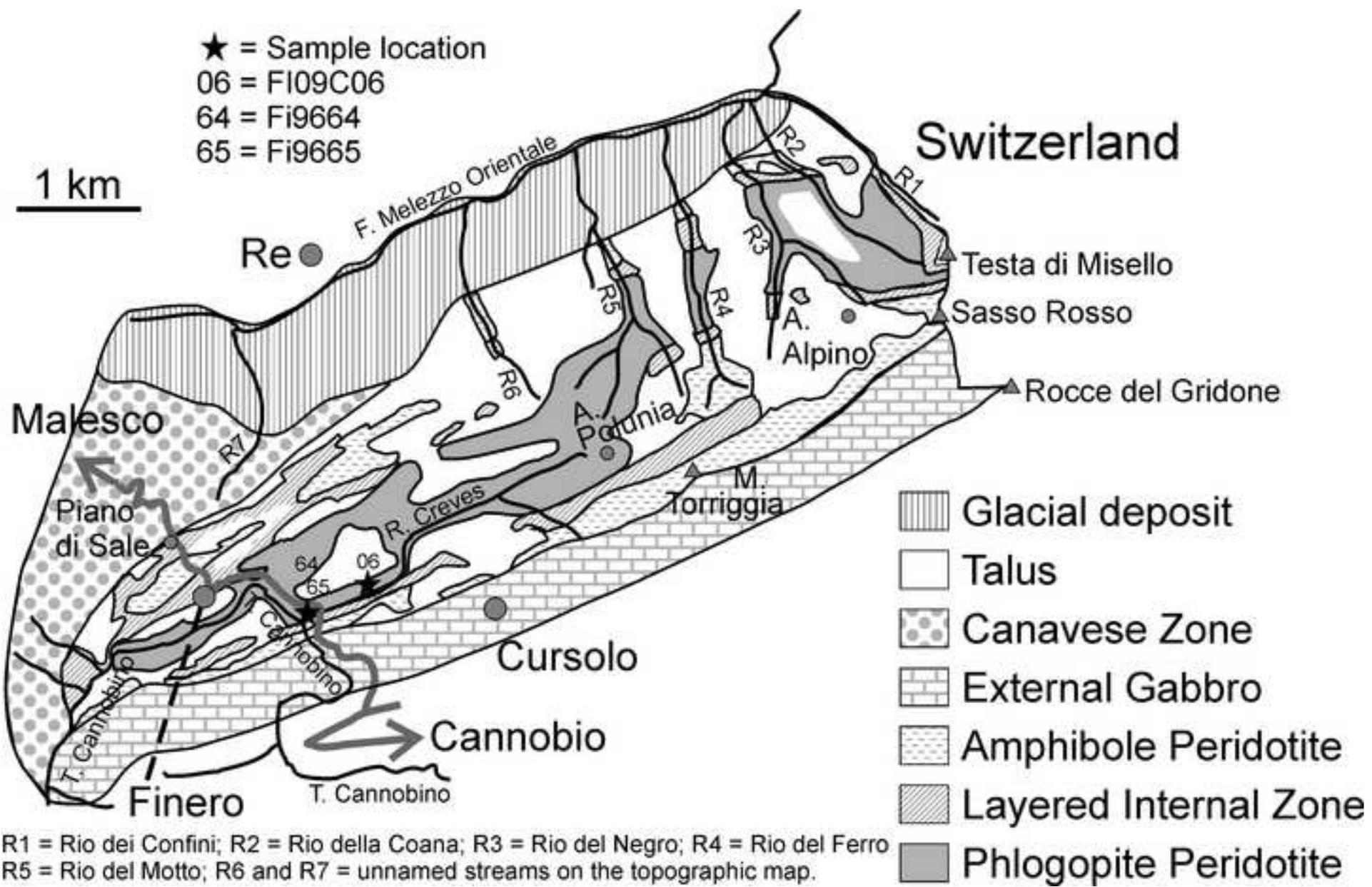


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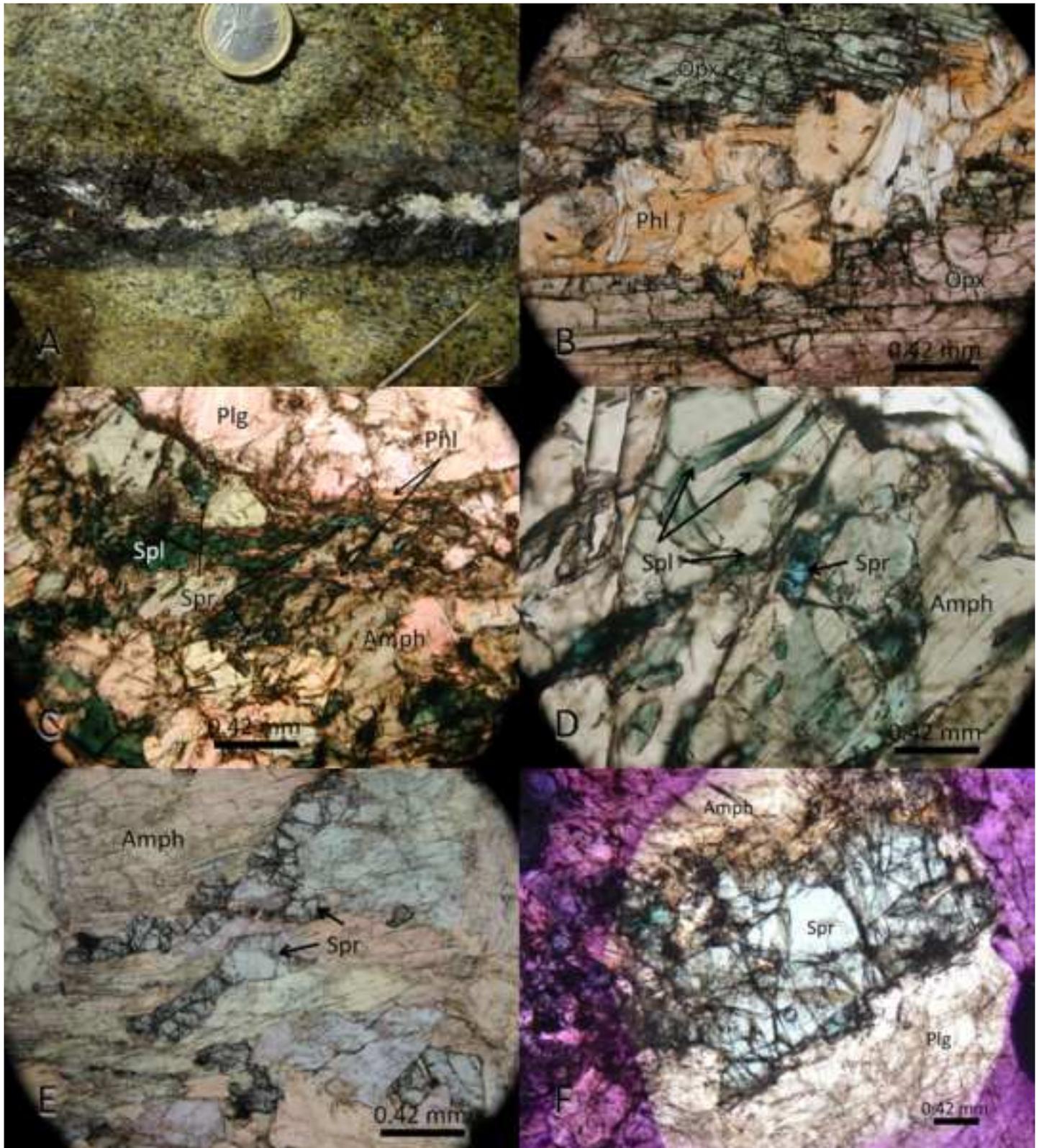


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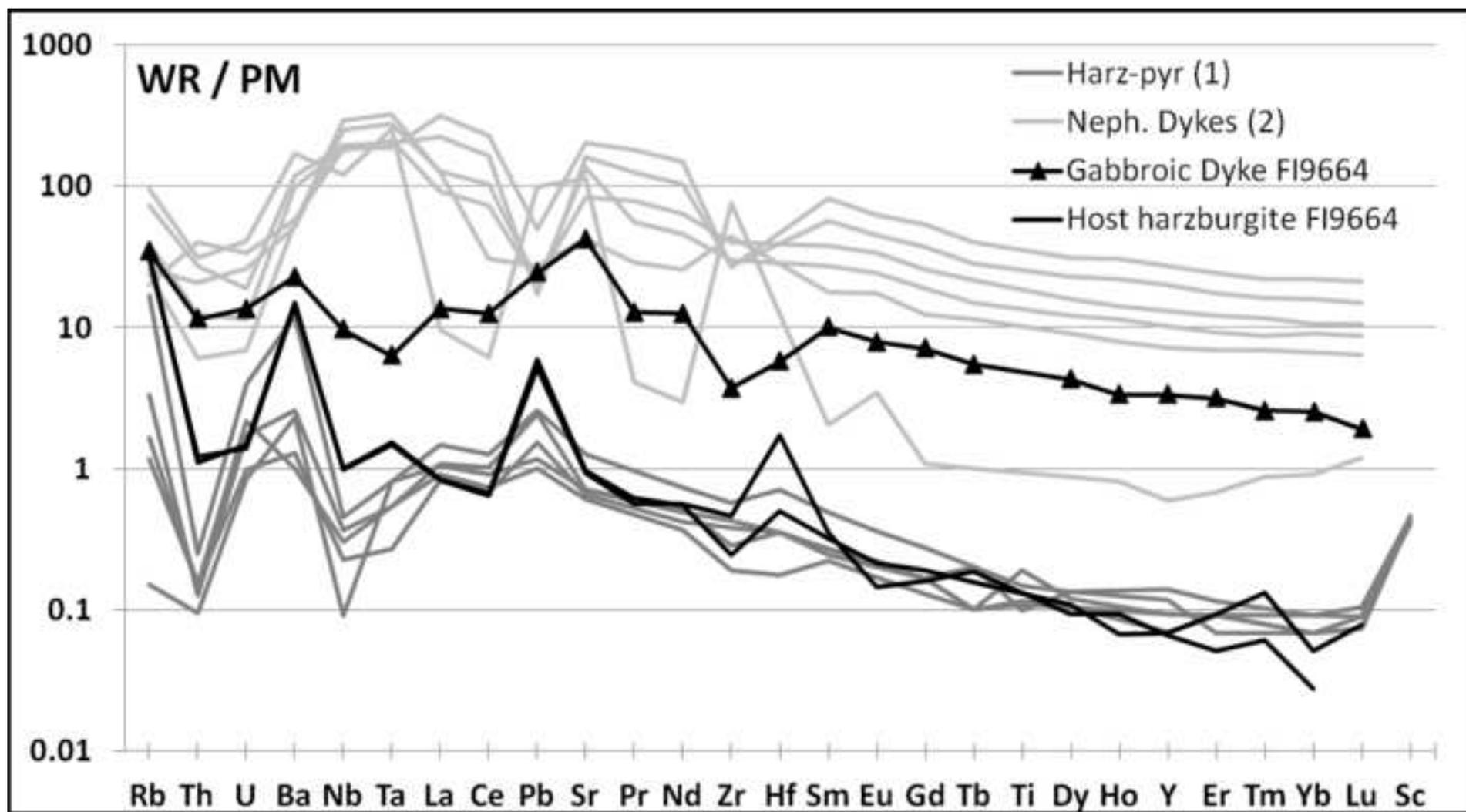


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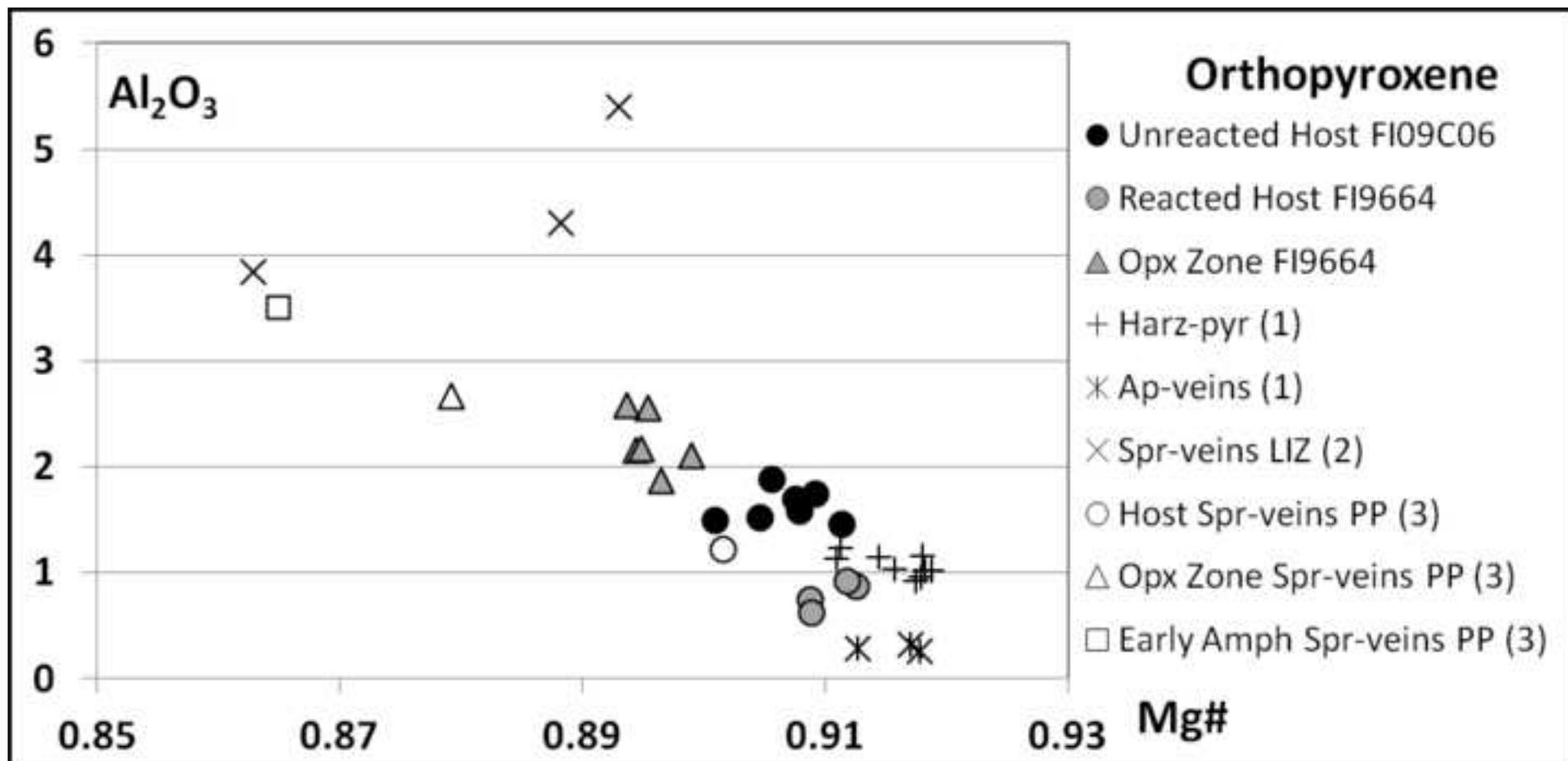


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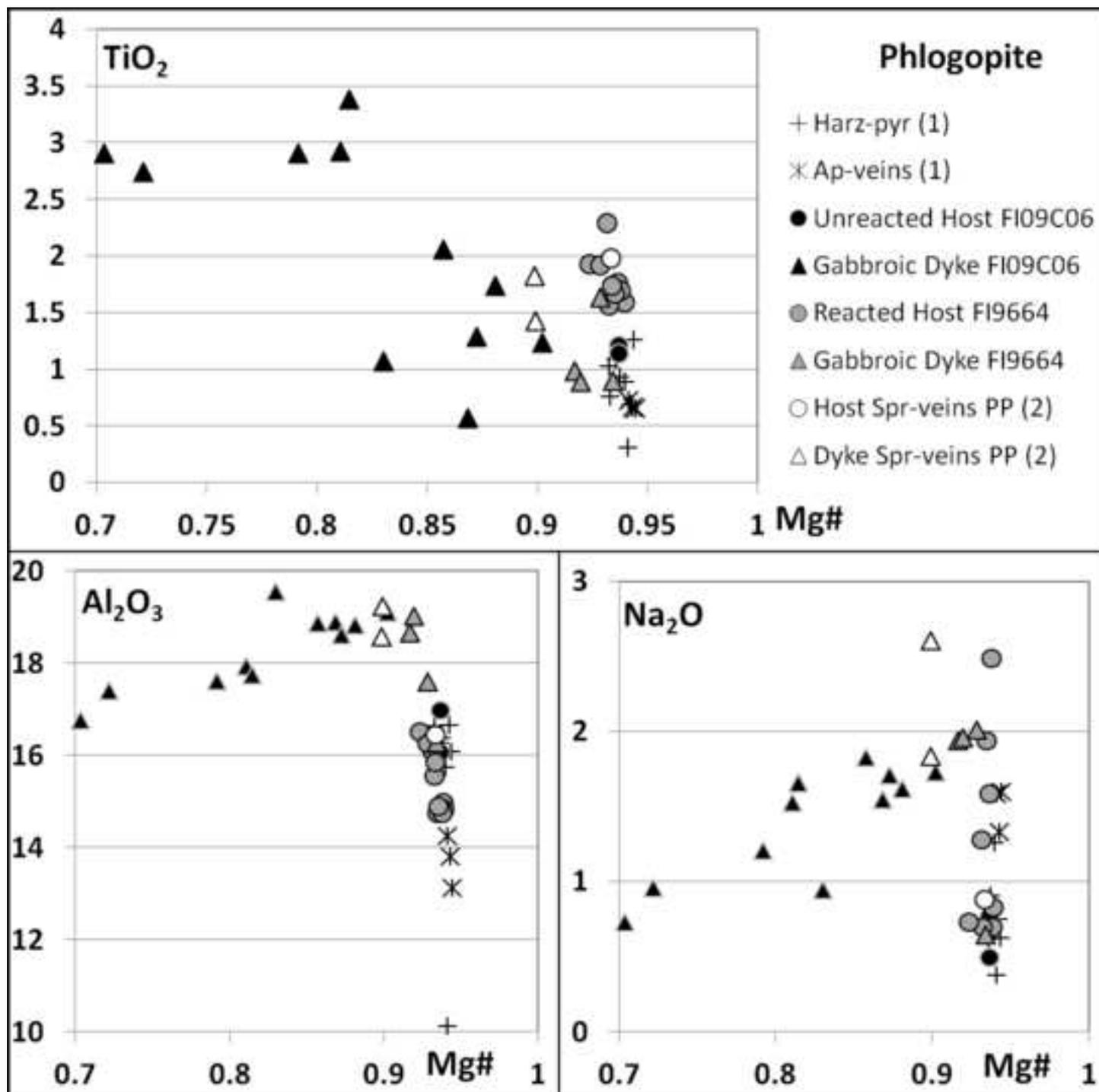


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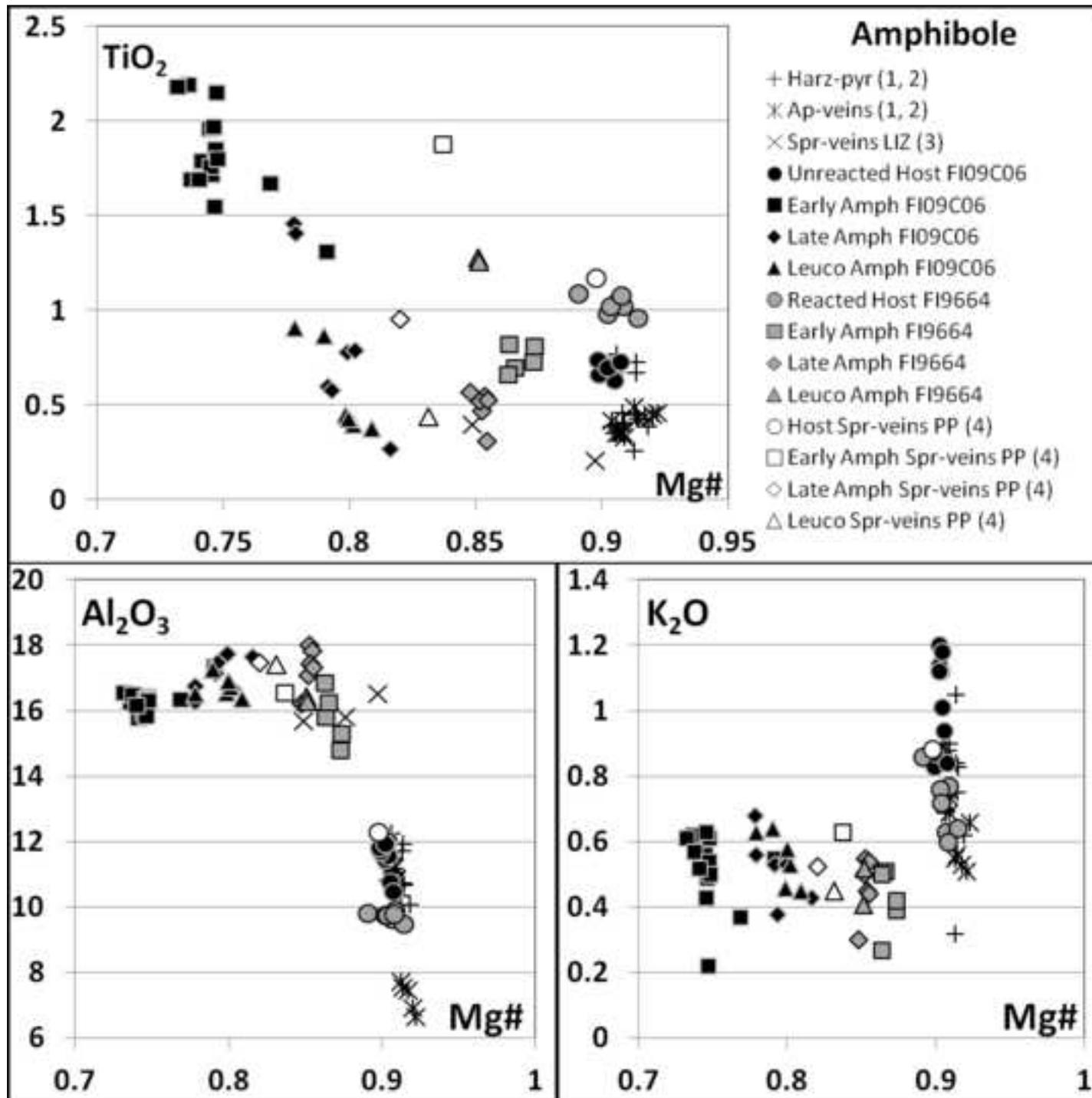


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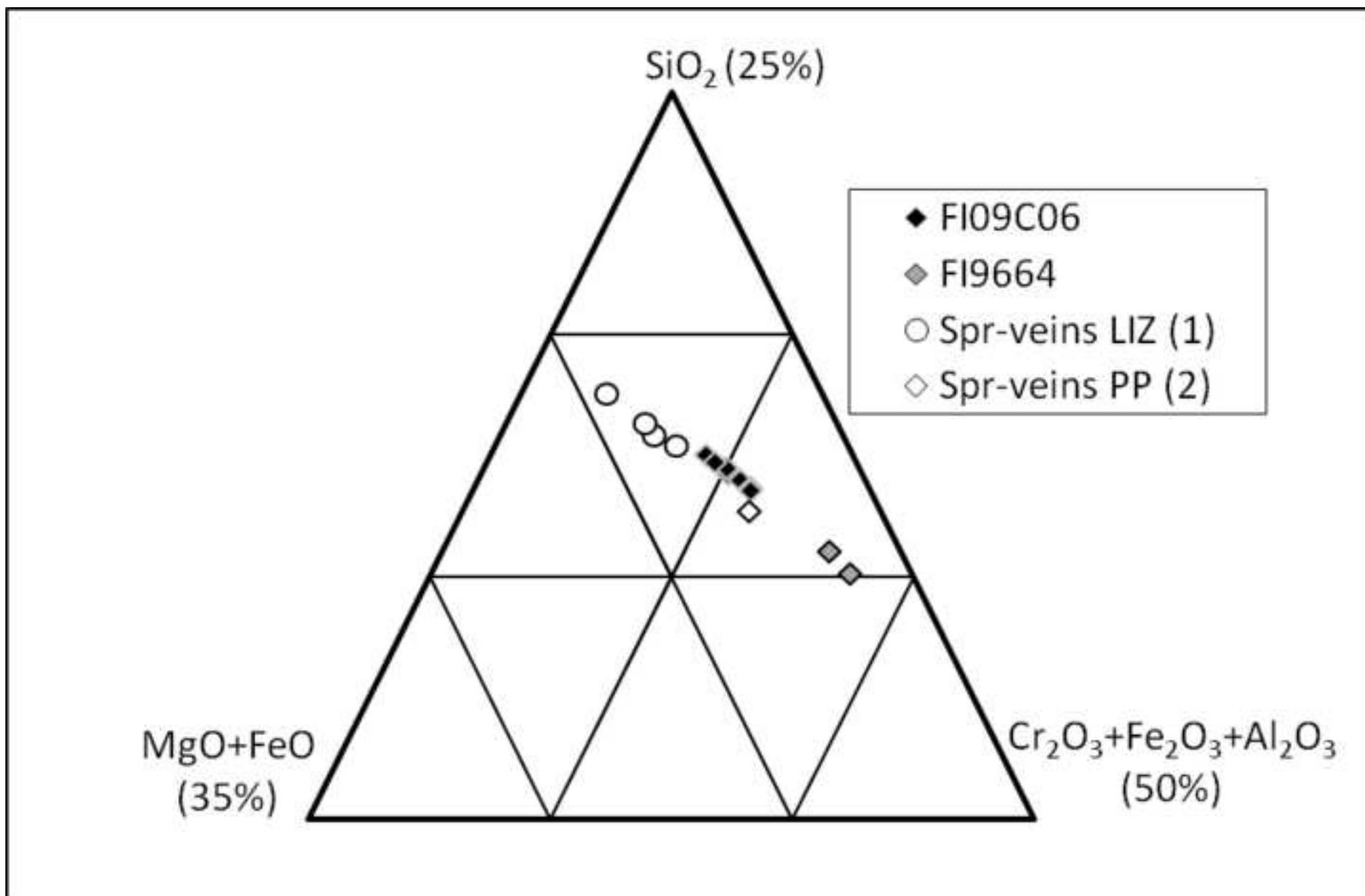


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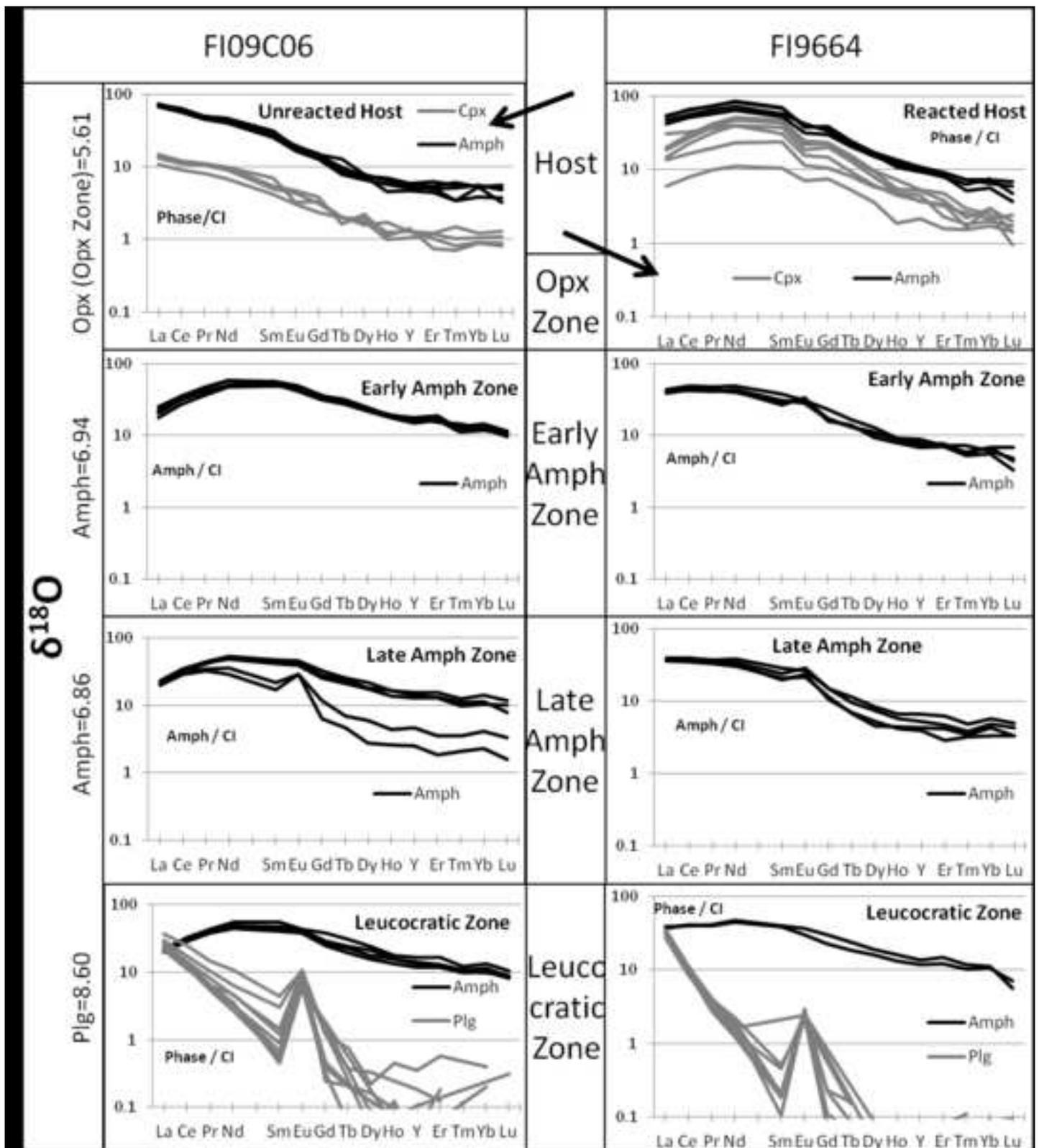


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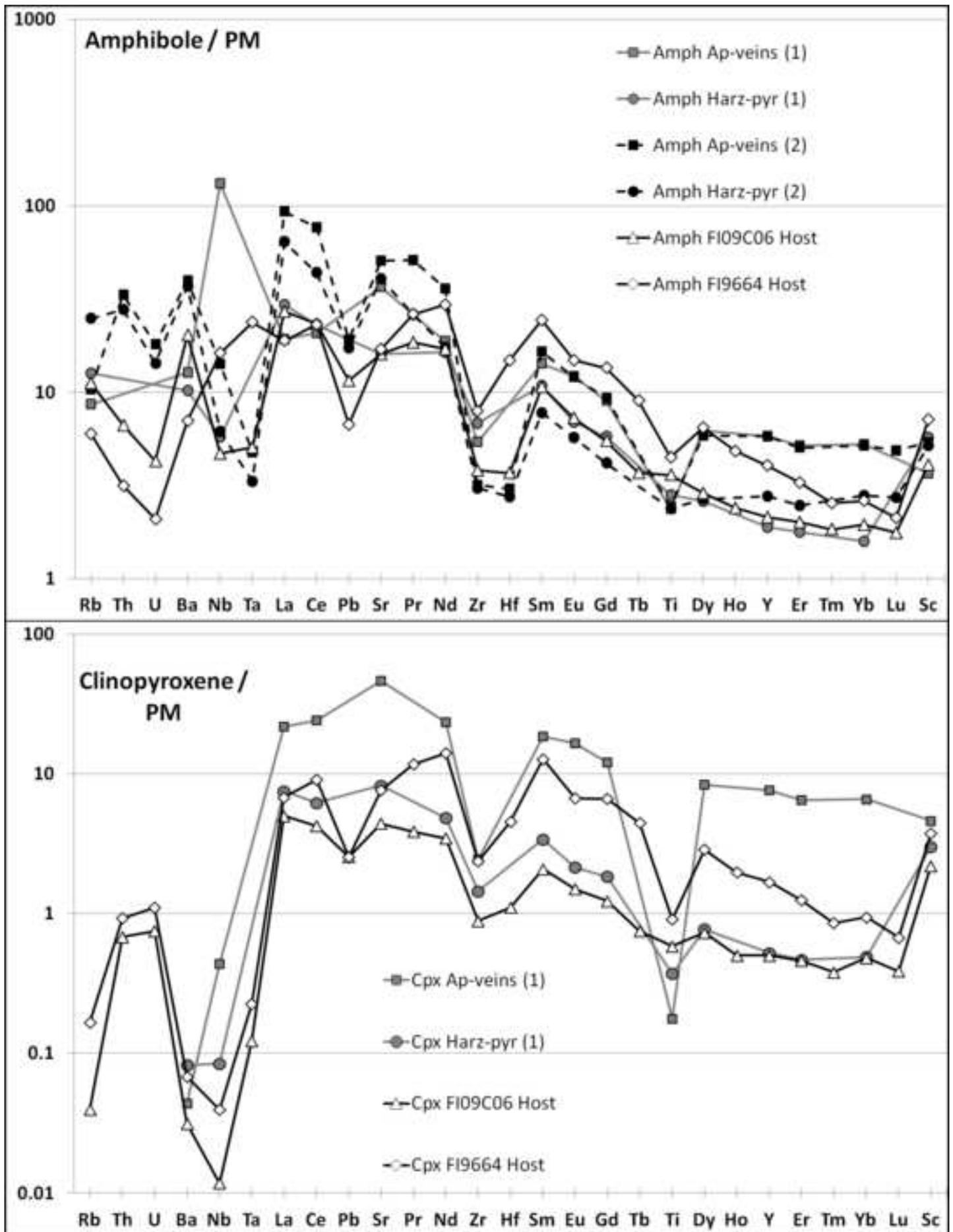


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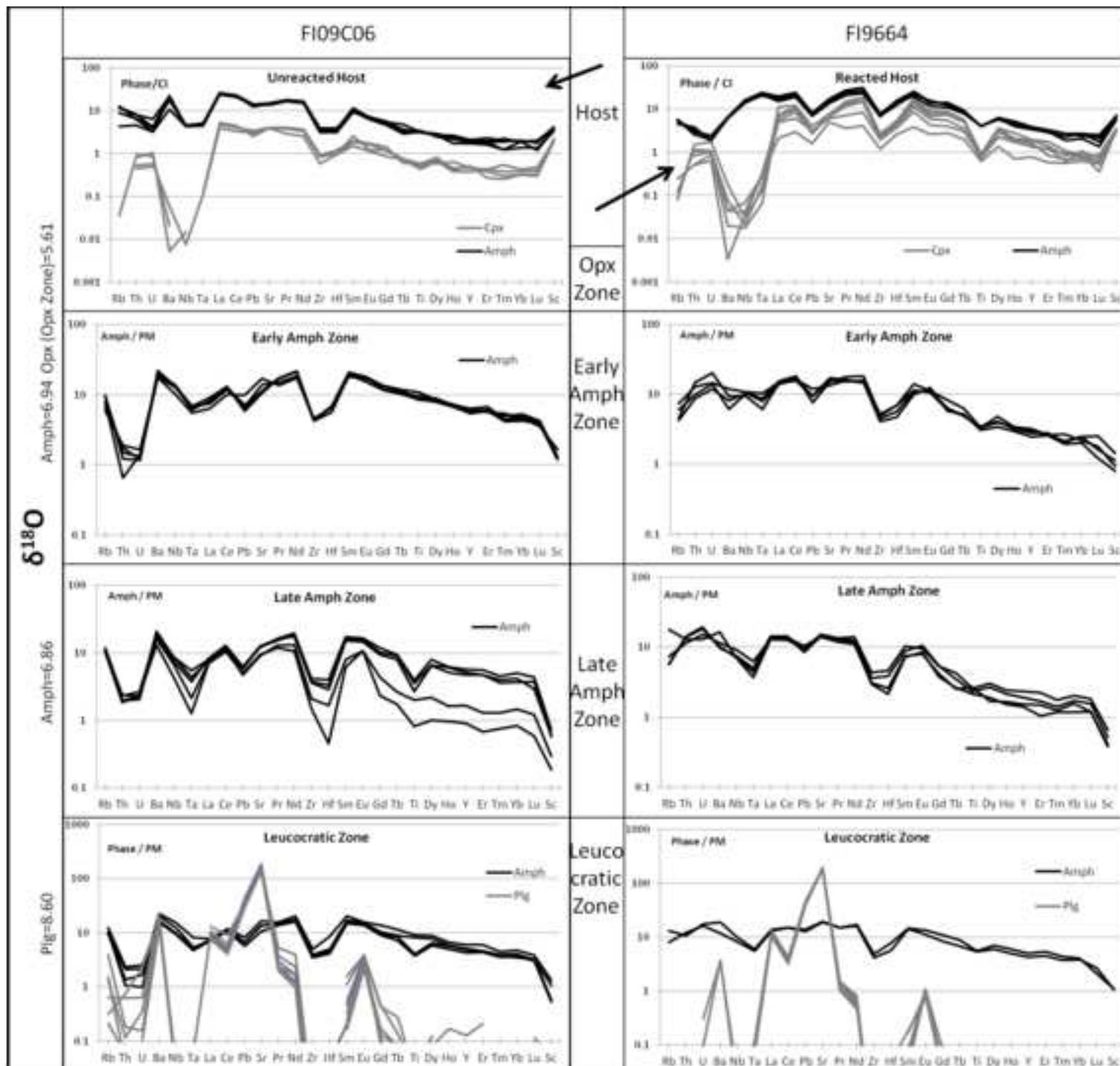


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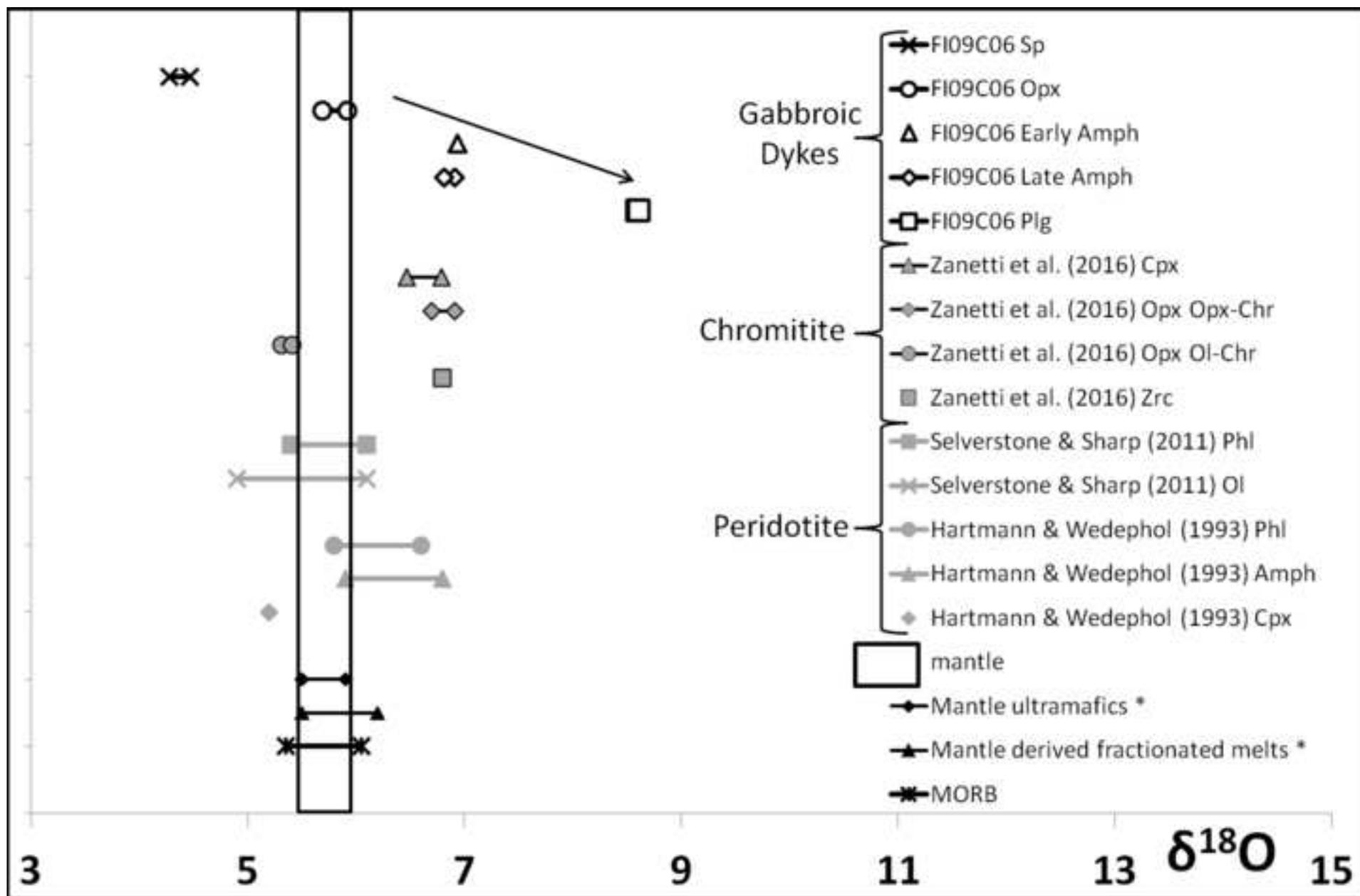


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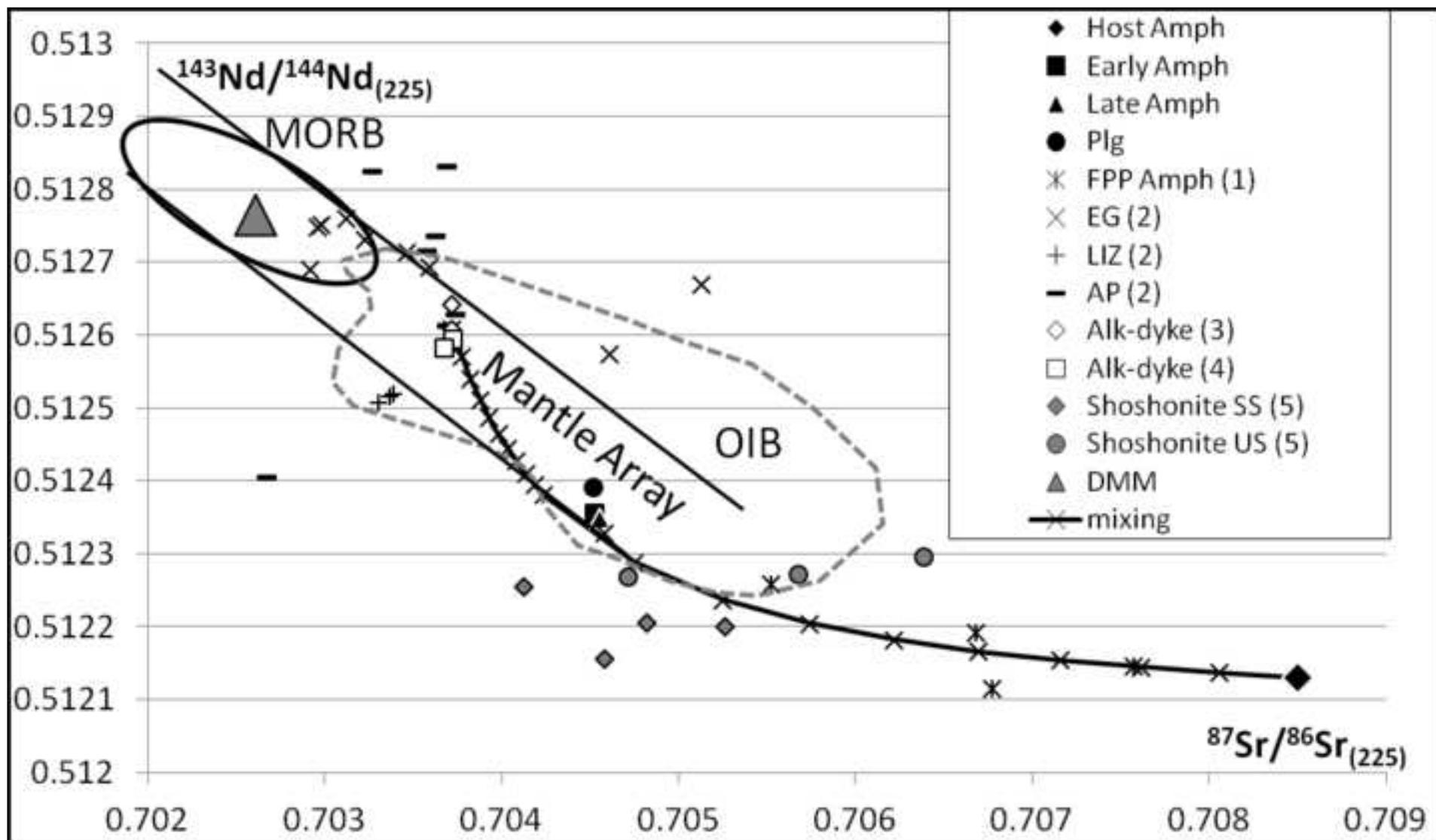


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Table 1: O isotopic composition of minerals from the Spr-bearing gabbroic dykes.

Sample	Phase	$\delta^{18}\text{O}$	std. dev.
FI09C06	Early Amph	6.94	0.00
FI09C06	Late Amph	6.86	0.05
FI09C06	Plg	8.60	0.01
FI09C06	Opx	5.81	0.11

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Table 2: Sr and Nd isotopic composition of minerals from sample FI09C06 from the Spr-bearing gabbroic dykes and the host peridotite.

Rock	Phase	Rb	Sr	⁸⁷ Sr/ ⁸⁶ Sr	2SE	⁸⁷ Rb/ ⁸⁶ Sr	Nd	Sm	¹⁴³ Nd/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	2SE	¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd
Host	Amph	6.5	281.2	0.708713	0.000008	0.066372	19.7	4.2	0.512317	0.000008	0.126796
Dyke	Early Amph	6.8	324.4	0.704722	0.000008	0.060834	24.8	8.1	0.512646	0.000008	0.197559
Dyke	Late Amph	8.6	189.5	0.704971	0.000008	0.131167	16.8	4.0	0.512559	0.000006	0.142593
Dyke	Plg	0.6	3109.7	0.704519	0.000008	0.000568	2.2	0.2	0.512482	0.000006	0.061238

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