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Trace element partitioning between clinopyroxene, magnetite, ilmenite and ferrobasaltic to dacitic magmas: an experimental study on the role of oxygen fugacity and melt composition

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Abstract

Ilmenite-, magnetite- and clinopyroxene-melt trace element partition coefficients were investigated experimentally as a function of oxygen fugacity and melt composition in a range of synthetic ferrobasaltic bulk compositions. The experiments were performed at a constant temperature (1080 °C) and pressure (1 atm) over a range of oxygen fugacity (fO_2) conditions from ca. 2 log units below to ca. 2 log units above the FMQ buffer. The partitioning behaviour of the divalent cations Zn, Mn, Co and Ni are found to be controlled by the degree of polymerisation of the coexisting melt; the partitioning behaviour of rare earth elements, Y and Sc can be explained well by the lattice strain model and the partitioning of the high-field strength elements Zr, Hf, Ta and Nb is influenced by the TiO₂ content of the melt. Vanadium partitioning is strongly influenced by oxygen fugacity and a series of linear regression equations are presented to express the dependence of the mineral-melt partitioning behaviour of the multivalent cation V on oxygen fugacity. Furthermore, calibration of the partitioning of vanadium between magnetite-ilmenite pairs as an oxybarometer is proposed and applied to a ferrobasaltic layered intrusion—the Skaergaard intrusion—the provide an estimate of oxygen fugacity.

Keywords Oxygen fugacity · Magnetite · Ilmenite · Clinopyroxene · Vanadium · Trace element partitioning

Introduction

Iron-rich basaltic magmas (ferrobasalts) form the link between basaltic and silicic magmatism. Natural examples include flood basalts (e.g. Xu et al. 2001), volcanic tholeiitic suites (e.g. Streck and Grunder 2012) and the parent magmas to layered igneous intrusions, e.g. Skaergaard and Sept Îles (Hunter and Sparks 1987; Toplis and Carroll 1996; McBirney 1998; Namur et al. 2010). The evolution of such

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basalts is characterised by early enrichment in TiO_2 and FeO, followed by SiO_2 enrichment and FeO and TiO_2 depletion at higher degrees of differentiation, marked by the onset of Fe–Ti oxide crystallisation (Snyder et al. 1993; Toplis and Carroll 1996; Pownceby and Fisher-White 1999; Namur et al. 2011; Howarth and Prevec 2013). Iron–titanium oxides generally become liquidus phases just before or just after the saturation of clinopyroxene (Toplis and Carroll 1995; Namur et al. 2011). Clinopyroxene thus also strongly influences the evolution of melt composition, in terms of both major and trace elements (Toplis and Carroll 1996; Namur and Humphreys 2018).

Clinopyroxene is a key component in mafic to intermediate magmas (Putirka et al. 1996; Armienti et al. 2007; Putirka 2008; Neave and Putirka 2017; Mollo et al. 2020). Clinopyroxene contains a sixfold coordinated M1 site which typically hosts smaller cations and an eightfold coordinated M2 site which hosts the larger cations, such as rare earth elements (REE) (Blundy and Wood 2003; van Kan Parker et al. 2011; Sun and Liang 2012; Fabbrizio et al. 2021). Its stability across a range of conditions is derived from its ability to incorporate a range of cations in both octahedral and tetrahedral coordinations into the crystal structure and this sensitivity to intensive parameters, combined with its relatively slow lattice diffusion (Watson and Yan Liang 1995; Van Orman et al. 2001; Costa and Morgan 2010; Müller et al. 2013), means that clinopyroxene crystals hold a lot of information on pre-eruptive processes (Humphreys 2009; Ubide and Kamber 2018; Ubide et al. 2019; Di Flavio et al. 2020; Masotta et al. 2020). Trace elements in clinopyroxenes are particularly good records of magmatic processes as they are more sensitive to magmatic processes such as fractional crystallisation, magma recharge and mixing (Mollo et al. 2020) than major and minor elements and they are especially useful in layered intrusions where slowly diffusing trace elements record changes in the intercumulus liquid composition during differentiation, melt migration and infiltration and reactive dissolution (e.g. Humphreys 2009; Namur et al. 2013; Leuthold et al. 2014; Namur and Humphreys 2018).

Iron-titanium oxides are also common major and accessory phases in igneous rocks (O'Neill et al. 1988; Klemme et al. 2006) and typically form solid solutions between ulvöspinel and magnetite (Fe_2TiO_4 – Fe_3O_4), ilmenite and hematite ($FeTiO_3 - Fe_2O_3$) and ferropseudobrookite and pseudobrookite (FeTi₂O₅-Fe₂TiO₅). Iron-titanium oxides are critical minerals in mafic layered intrusions and whilst their compositions provide information on magma chamber processes such as fractional crystallisation, magma replenishment and magma mixing (Frost and Lindsley 1992; Pang et al. 2008; Namur et al. 2010), they are also often used to constrain the temperature of crystallisation and oxygen fugacity (Lindsley and Frost 1992; Sauerzapf et al. 2008). This is because the Fe and Ti content of magnetite-ilmenite pairs is well known to be sensitive to magmatic redox conditions (Buddington and Lindsley 1964; Andersen and Lindsley 1988; Ghiorso and Sack 1991; Lattard et al. 2005; Ghiorso and Evans 2008).

Ilmenite in particular also plays an important role in the petrogenesis of lunar basalts (Hess et al. 1978; McKay et al. 1986), saturating during the later stages of crystallisation in the lunar magma ocean (Snyder et al. 1992; Dygert et al. 2013). Dense ilmenite-rich cumulates have implications for the overturn of the lunar mantle (Hess and Parmentier 1995; Thacker et al. 2009) and for the generation of high-Ti (up to 16 wt.% TiO₂) lunar basalts (Longhi 1992; van Kan Parker et al. 2011; Krawczynski and Grove 2012). The structure of ilmenite is characterised by hexagonal, closely packed oxygen atoms with interstitial alternate layers of octahedrallycoordinated M sites; one site is typically occupied by Mg²⁺ or Fe²⁺, whilst the other is occupied by Ti⁴⁺ (Raymond and Wenk 1971; Dygert et al. 2013). Both lattice sites are sixfold coordinated (van Kan Parker et al. 2011). Magnetite ([Fe³⁺] $[Fe^{2+}Fe^{3+}]O_4$) has an inverse spinel structure with crystallographic sites in both tetrahedral and octahedral coordination, giving it the general formula B(AB)O₄ where one

B cation occupies the tetrahedral site and the remaining A and B cations fill the octahedral sites, thus easily facilitating incorporation of divalent and trivalent cations (O'Neill and Navrotsky 1984; Nielsen et al. 1994; Bosi et al. 2009). Tetravalent cations can be substituted readily into tetrahedral or octahedral sites, charge balanced by additional Fe^{2+} (Sievwright et al. 2017).

The importance of oxygen fugacity (fO_2) on the composition and stability of Fe-Ti oxides and coexisting silicate phases (e.g. clinopyroxene) and the partitioning of elements between mineral and silicate melt, has been demonstrated by many authors (e.g. Lindsley and Frost 1992; Toplis and Carroll 1995; Toplis and Corgne 2002; Klemme et al. 2006; Mallmann and O'Neill 2009; Dygert et al. 2013; Leitzke et al. 2016; Arató and Audétat 2017a; Michely et al. 2017; Sievwright et al. 2020) following the pioneering work of Buddington and Lindsley (1964). In previous studies of Fe-Ti oxide and clinopyroxene trace element partitioning (e.g. Canil and Fedortchouk 2000; Toplis and Corgne 2002; Prowatke and Klemme 2006; Hill et al. 2011; Dygert et al. 2013, 2014; Michely et al. 2017; Sievwright et al. 2017, 2020), partition coefficients are strongly influenced by crystal and melt composition, temperature, pressure and fO_2 Oxygen fugacity-driven valence state changes result in changes to mineral-melt partition coefficients (or D_i); thus the partitioning of redox-sensitive trace elements may provide constraints on the redox conditions of a melt. Vanadium in particular is highly sensitive to redox conditions and can be present as V^{2+} , V^{3+} , V^{4+} or V^{5+} in silicates and oxides, covering the entire range of terrestrial redox conditions; this lends itself to the applicability of V as a universal redox indicator, or oxybarometer (Canil 1999; Toplis and Corgne 2002; Papike et al. 2005; Karner et al. 2006; Mallmann and O'Neill 2009, 2013). The partitioning behaviour of vanadium between Fe-Ti oxides and melt is of particular interest, as much of the economically important concentrations of vanadium are associated with iron-rich cumulates that are typically characteristic of layered intrusions e.g. Bushveld (Reynolds 1985; Yuan et al. 2017).

The aims of this study are to report the major element geochemical variability of the silicate and Fe–Ti oxide phases we produce under a range of oxygen fugacity and melt TiO₂ conditions and to assess the effect of redox conditions and melt composition on the partitioning of trace elements in ilmenite, magnetite and clinopyroxene under isobaric and isothermal conditions. Partition coefficients are reported for divalent, trivalent and tetravalent cations in each phase over a range of redox conditions (FMQ –2 to FMQ + 2, with FMQ being the fayalite–magnetite–quartz equilibrium). The mineral–melt partitioning behaviour of vanadium in Fe–Ti oxides and clinopyroxene is used as a proxy for fO_2 and a series of oxybarometers are calibrated that can be used to predict fO_2 at atmospheric pressure in

ferrobasaltic to dacitic melts. We also calibrate an oxybarometer based on the ratio of $D_V^{\text{mt-melt}}$ to $D_V^{\text{ilm-melt}}$ which can be applied to layered intrusions when the V content of the melt is unknown, but the average bulk D_V is known.

Methods

Starting materials and experimental techniques

The initial starting composition used in the partitioning experiments is a synthetic analogue of an evolved ferrobasalt with a magnesium number [mg #=molar MgO/ (MgO+FeO)] of 37 (composition 'SC4' from Toplis & Carroll 1995), which is assumed to be the residual, fractionated liquid of the parental magma of the Skaergaard intrusion (composition 'SC1', Toplis & Carroll 1995) after approximately 40% crystallisation. The material was synthesised from a mixture of reagent-grade oxides (SiO₂, MgO, Al₂O₃ and Fe₂O₃) and carbonates (CaCO₃, Na₂CO₃ and K₂CO₃) with variable TiO₂ contents to force the saturation of a range of Fe-Ti oxides (~5, 10 and 15 wt.% TiO₂) Additional iron was added as Fe_2O_3 to some starting compositions (Table 1). Phosphorus was added as H₃PO₄ to half of the preparation to investigate the effect of phosphorus on phase relationships (e.g. Toplis et al. 1994a). Starting materials were doped with 1000 ppm of V, Cr and Mn (as V₂O₅, K₂Cr₂O₇ and MnO₂) and 500 ppm of Co, Ni and Cu (as Co₂O₃, NiO and CuO) using high-purity oxide powders. Standard solutions were used to dope the preparation with 500 ppm of Zn, Y, Sc, Zr, Hf, Nb, Ta, Sn, Mo, W, Sr, Rb, Ba, Pb, U, Th and 200 ppm of REE (rare earth elements) (La, Ce, Nd, Sm, Eu, Gd, Dy, Er, Yb and Lu). Trace element doping in experimental series 8 to 11 (Table 2) was decreased to a fourth of these values, after finding that this initial concentration produced trace element levels that are not representative of natural Fe-Ti oxides. Subsequent to the doping procedure the starting compositions were re-melted twice in air at 1300 °C for

1.5 h, and the resultant glass was finely crushed in an agate mortar to a homogenous powder.

Experiments were carried out at atmospheric pressure in a Gero vertical drop-quench gas mixing furnace at the Observatoire Midi-Pyrénées (OMP), Toulouse and at the Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences, KU Leuven. To cover a range of redox conditions, experiments were conducted at five fO_2 conditions between FMQ –2 and FMQ+2 (FMQ=fayalite-magnetite-quartz buffer). Temperature was controlled using a Eurotherm 818 controller and oxygen fugacity (fO_2) was controlled using high purity CO-CO₂ gas mixtures regulated by two Tylan mass flow controllers. The oxygen fugacity was measured adjacent to the samples in the hotspot of the furnace with an yttrium-stabilized zirconia probe and recorded variations show that a precision of around ± 0.1 log units. A summary of the experimental run conditions is presented in Table 2.

Approximately 50 mg of starting material was pressed onto 0.2 mm diameter platinum wire loops. To prevent potential Fe loss, the Pt loops were pre-saturated with the experimental material for 3 days under the same experimental temperature and fO_2 conditions reported in Table 2, then quenched and cleaned with HF. Up to five Pt loops were suspended at a time from the sample holder and loaded into the hotspot of the furnace next to an internal Pt-Pt₁₀Rh thermocouple, calibrated against the melting point of gold (1064 °C). The samples were first held at 1200 or 1150 °C for 9 h, i.e. close enough to the liquidus to allow the equilibration of multivalent ions and fully melt the powder without hampering nucleation upon cooling, then cooled at a rate of 1 °C/h to facilitate the growth of crystals sufficiently large for analysis. The run temperature was continuously monitored and the temperature precision of this set up is better than ± 1 °C. After cooling to a final temperature of 1080 °C, which corresponds to the approximate point of oxide saturation in layered intrusions (Thy et al. 2009), the experimental charges were left to equilibrate for at least 72 h before drop-quenching into water. The quenched products

Starting composition	SiO ₂	TiO ₂	Al_2O_3	FeO ^a	MnO	MgO	CaO	Na ₂ O	K ₂ O	P_2O_5	Total
SC4	49.5	4.3	11.5	14.6	0	4.8	10	2.9	0.48	0	98.08
SC4/5	50.4	4.37	11.7	14.85	0.22	4.88	10.17	2.95	0.49	0	99.99
SC4/10	48.2	9.2	10.81	13.59	0.22	4.68	9.61	2.84	0.67	0	99.77
SC4/15	46.9	12.87	10.48	12.08	0.22	4.45	9.21	2.86	0.65	0.03	99.72
SC4/5P	49.9	4.33	11.58	14.7	0.21	4.83	10.07	2.92	0.48	1.01	99.98
SC4/10P	48.2	9.2	10.81	13.59	0.22	4.68	9.61	2.84	0.67	1.03	100.8
SC4/10Fe	46	8.8	10.34	17.6	0.21	4.47	9.19	2.72	0.64	0	100
SC4/15Fe	41.3	11.35	9.24	22.7	0.2	3.93	8.12	2.52	0.58	0.03	100
SC4/10FeP	46	8.8	10.34	17.6	0.21	4.47	9.19	2.72	0.64	1	101
SC4/15FeP	41.3	11.35	9.24	22.7	0.2	3.93	8.12	2.52	0.58	1	100.97

Table 1Major element(wt.%) composition of startingmaterials

^aTotal iron given as FeO

Starting composition	Run no	Initial T (°C)	Final T (°C)	Run time (h)	$\log fO_2$ (bar)	10-10 ²	ΔΓΜŲ ⁻	I Have appendently (preparations) variation	4	Fe loss of gall (70)
SC4/5	7	1200	1080	191	-7.99	0.4–99.6	1.82	gl(44.7), mt(10.4), usp(0.6), cpx(24.7), pl(19.6)	0.02	0.02
SC4/10	7	1200	1080	191	-7.99	0.4 - 99.6	1.82	gl(38.9), mt(4.9), psb(11.7), cpx(26.1), pl(18.3)	0.03	0.04
SC4/15	7	1200	1080	191	-7.99	0.4 - 99.6	1.82	gl(44.7), psb(18.3), cpx(23.5), pl(13.4)	0.52	4.60
SC4/5P	7	1200	1080	191	- 7.99	0.4 - 99.6	1.82	gl(60.9), mt(8.2), cpx(16.7), pl(14.3)	0.27	0.73
SC4/10P	7	1200	1080	191	-7.99	0.4 - 99.6	1.82	gl(78.2), mt(1.8), psb(9.0), cpx(10.9)	0.01	-0.01
SC4/5	10	1150	1080	141	-7.99	0.4 - 99.6	1.82	gl(37.3), mt(9.4), usp(3.0), psb(0.2), cpx(27.7), pl(22.4)	0.05	0.00
SC4/10Fe	10	1150	1080	141	-7.99	0.4 - 99.6	1.82	gl(35.2), mt(5.5), usp(9.2), psb(6.2), cpx(24.4), pl(19.5)	0.10	-0.01
SC4/15Fe	10	1150	1080	141	- 7.99	0.4 - 99.6	1.82	gl(35.7), mt(0.2), usp(27.4), psb(3.8), cpx(18.2), pl(14.8)	0.09	0.01
SC4/10FeP	10	1150	1080	141	- 7.99	0.4 - 99.6	1.82	gl(65.8), usp(12.1), psb(3.1), cpx(10.0), pl(9.0)	0.04	0.01
SC4/15FeP	10	1150	1080	141	- 7.99	0.4-99.6	1.82	gl(75.1), usp(20.1), psb(2.4), cpx(2.3)	0.36	-0.04
SC4/5P	12	1150	1080	141	- 8.94	1.4 - 98.6	0.87	gl(76.4), mt(6.4), cpx(17.2)	0.35	- 0.06
SC4/10	12	1150	1080	141	- 8.94	1.4 - 98.6	0.87	gl(64.3), ilm(11.9), mt(5.6), cpx(18.2)	2.30	-4.43
SC4/10Fe	12	1150	1080	141	- 8.94	1.4 - 98.6	0.87	gl(37.6), ilm(13.0), mt(7.6), cpx(24.9), pl(16.9) psb*	0.53	0.10
SC4/10FeP	12	1150	1080	141	- 8.94	1.4 - 98.6	0.87	$gl(86.8), ilm(13.2) cpx^*, pl^*$	2.75	1.90
SC4/5	8	1150	1080	141	-9.76	3-97	0.05	gl(50.1), ilm(0.5), mt(5.9), cpx(23.2), pl(20.2)	0.05	0.10
SC4/10Fe	8	1150	1080	141	-9.76	3-97	0.05	gl(70.3), ilm(11.6), cpx(13.0), pl(5.0), mt*	1.53	4.40
SC4/15Fe	8	1150	1080	141	-9.76	3–97	0.05	gl(79.0), ilm(10.5), mt(7.6), pl(2.9)	0.37	-0.11
SC4/10FeP	8	1150	1080	141	-9.76	3–97	0.05	gl(89.6), ilm(10.4), cpx*	5.73	10.43
SC4/15FeP	8	1150	1080	141	-9.76	3-97	0.05	gl(84.2), ilm(15.8)	5.62	7.76
SC4/5	6	1150	1080	141	-10.75	10 - 90	-0.94	gl(78.8), ilm(4.6), mt(2.2), cpx(14.4)	0.99	2.89
SC4/10Fe	6	1150	1080	141	-10.75	10 - 90	-0.94	gl(77.1), ilm(7.9), mt(2.4), cpx(12.6)	0.68	0.51
SC4/15Fe	6	1150	1080	141	-10.75	10 - 90	-0.94	gl(86.4), ilm(11.2), mt(2.4)	0.38	0.15
SC4/10FeP	6	1150	1080	141	-10.75	10 - 90	-0.94	gl(95.6), ilm(4.4)	5.23	-9.56
SC4/15FeP	6	1150	1080	141	-10.75	10 - 90	-0.94	gl(84.0), ilm(16.0)	18.89	15.29
SC4/5	11	1150	1080	141	- 11.94	30-70	-2.13	gl(85.6), mt(0.4), cpx(14.0)	0.72	2.61
SC4/10Fe	11	1150	1080	141	- 11.94	30-70	-2.13	gl(79.9), ilm(9.6), cpx(10.5)	2.45	6.36
SC4/15Fe	11	1150	1080	141	- 11.94	30-70	-2.13	gl(86.8), ilm(13.2)	1.20	3.48
SC4/10FeP	11	1150	1080	141	- 11.94	30-70	-2.13	gl(92.6), ilm(7.4)	1.01	4.41
SC4/15FeP	11	1150	1080	141	- 11.94	30-70	-2.13	gl(86.7), ilm(13.3)	2.06	4.56

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^bMass-balance calculations give erroneous modal abundances for these samples, either because of the presence of unmeasured phases or the arrangement of the Fe-Ti oxides in the composi-tional space Numbers in parentheses denote modal abundances based on the mass-balance calculations

were mounted in epoxy and polished with a series of SiC and diamond pastes for chemical analysis.

Analytical techniques

The concentration of major and minor elements in glass and crystal phases were acquired with a Cameca SX 100 electron microprobe microanalyser at the University of Clermont-Ferrand and a JEOL JXA-8530F wavelength dispersive spectrometer field emission gun electron probe microanalyser (WDS FEG-EPMA) at the Department of Material Engineering, KU Leuven. For glass analyses, a 15 kV accelerating voltage and 8 nA beam current were used, with a 10 µm incident beam diameter to minimise potential alkali migration. Conditions for mineral analyses were 15 kV and 15 nA with a 1 μm focused beam. Corrections for inter-elemental effects were made using the ZAF (Z, atomic number; A, absorption; F, fluorescence) procedure. Calibration standards used were forsterite (Mg), fayalite (Fe), wollastonite (Si, Ca), albite (Na), orthoclase (K), chromite (Cr), olivine (Ni), MnTiO₃ (Mn, Ti) and Al₂O₃ (Al). To ensure internal consistency across multiple analytical sessions, EPMA results were normalised to international standards. For glass analyses, we used VG-2 basalt glass (NMNH 111240-52). For minerals, we used Kakanui augite (NMNH 122142, using preferred values) for clinopyroxene, orthopyroxene and plagioclase analyses and San Carlos olivine (NMNH 111312-44) for olivine analyses. Accuracy and precision were estimated by measuring the following standards during each session: A-99 (NMNH 113498) and BCR-2G (USGS) basaltic glasses and Lake County plagioclase (NMNH 115900) (Jarosewich et al. 1980; Jochum et al. 2005). We also repeatedly measured in-house and Smithsonian microbeam standards of hypersthene, diopside, plagioclase [An95; An = 100 Ca/(Ca + Na), mol. %] and olivine (Fo₈₃ and Fo₁₀). Major (>1 wt. %) and minor (<1 wt. %) element contents were determined with respective accuracies better than 2% and 10% and 1 σ precisions better than 2% and 15%.

Trace element concentrations in glass and crystal phases were measured with an Agilent 7500cx inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometer (ICP-MS) coupled to a commercial femtosecond Ti:Sa laser (Amplitude Technologies Pulsar 10), based on the Chirped pulse amplification technique, at the University of Clermont-Ferrand and with an Agilent 8900 triple quadrupole ICP-MS coupled to an Analyte Excite Laser Ablation System at the KU Leuven. For glass and clinopyroxene measurements a frequency of 5 Hz and spot sizes ranging between 50 and 100 µm were used. For the Fe–Ti oxides, the laser conditions used were 7 Hz and 5 µm spot size. Calcium was used as an internal standard for glass and clinopyroxene, whilst Ti was used for Fe–Ti oxides. Calibration standards used were NIST610 and NIST612 and BHVO-2G was used as a secondary standard. Measurements of the BCR-2G glass standard indicate that most elemental analyses were accurate to better than 10% relative, with only P, Cr and Cu returning deviations > 10% relative.

Experimental results

Attainment of equilibrium

Evidence of equilibrium between mineral phases and the melt includes (i) run durations comparable to previous studies that reached equilibrium (Toplis and Carroll 1995; Toplis and Corgne 2002; Mallmann and O'Neill 2009; Dygert et al. 2013; Leitzke et al. 2016, 2017); (ii) phase assemblages similar to those reported by Toplis and Carroll (1995) for the same starting composition; (iii) low standard deviations across replicate analyses of each phase; (iv) melt-clinopyroxene Fe–Mg exchange coefficient (K_D) values of 0.15–0.27 (Grove and Bryan 1983; Putirka 2008; Bédard 2010).

Cpx - Liq

Fe - Mg^T is used to describe the distribution of iron (as Fe²⁺) and magnesium between the clinopyroxene and the coexisting glass (Nielsen et al. 1992; Toplis and Carroll 1995). The K_D values in this study range between 0.15 and 0.27 (Supplementary Table ST2), concordant with the results of Hoover & Irvine (1978) and Toplis & Carroll (1995), who produced similar values of 0.19–0.26 and 0.18–0.26, respectively.

Run products

The phase relations and run conditions of each experiment are presented in Table 2. The observed crystalline phases are ilmenite (ilm), (Ti-)magnetite (mt), ulvöspinel (usp), ferropseudobrookite (psb), clinopyroxene (cpx) and plagioclase feldspar (pl). Phase proportions were calculated by mass balance. The aforementioned slow cooling rate of 1 °C per hour was chosen to produce crystals large enough for analysis (Hill et al. 2000; Leitzke et al. 2016); this was necessary for Fe-Ti oxide phases in particular which are typically very small, though some of the oxide phases produced still remained too small for analysis by LA-ICP-MS. The size of the Fe-Ti oxide crystals produced does, however, increase with the addition of TiO₂, this may be a reflection of the depolymerising effect of TiO₂ on silicate melts at higher TiO₂ contents, as previously suggested by Leitzke et al. (2016). Run products of representative samples are illustrated in Fig. 1a and b. The abundance of mineral phases increases with increasing oxygen fugacity, e.g. from glass + one mineral phase in run 15Fe-11 (FMQ -2) to

Fig. 1 Back-scattered electron images of representative products and phase relations from experiments conducted at **a** FMQ + 2 and **b** FMQ - 2. Laser ablation pit labelled as 'Laser pit'. *Ilm* ilmenite, *Mt* magnetite, *Usp* ulvöspinel, *Psb* Ferropseudobrookite, *Cpx* clinopyroxene, *Pl* plagioclase. Note the increased melt proportion at FMQ - 2, and the increased abundance of mineral phases at FMQ + 2



glass + five mineral phases in run 15Fe-10 (FMQ + 2). The melt proportion decreases overall with increasing fO_2 , from 80 to 93% melt at FMQ – 2 to 35 to 79% melt at FMQ + 2. The addition of P to the starting composition increases the melt proportion in each run, e.g. from 45% melt in run 5–7 to 79% melt in run 5P-7; this effect is reduced at lower fO_2 and most pronounced at higher fO_2 . These observations are concordant with the study of Toplis et al. (1994a), who also observe an increase in melt proportion with the increased P_2O_5 content, similarly more pronounced under more oxidising conditions.

Major and minor element contents of glass and coexisting mineral phases are reported in Supplementary Table ST1. Select major element abundances in glasses are plotted as a function of MgO in Fig. 2. The glasses range from basaltic (46.3 wt. % SiO₂) to dacitic (62.4 wt. % SiO₂) and the run products of starting compositions doped with phosphorus (open symbols) are more primitive than their undoped counterparts, with lower SiO₂ and higher MgO (Fig. 2a). The FeO content of the glass (Fig. 2d) increases under more reducing conditions, from 7.6 wt. % at FMQ+2 to 18.7 wt. % at FMQ -2. The mg # of the glasses produced ranges from 25 to 37, with no strong correlation with fO_2 . Note the range in the TiO₂ contents of the starting compositions (star symbols, Fig. 2b), though all experimental melts plot on a single trend against MgO regardless of this range in TiO₂. Although the overall Al₂O₃ content of the glass decreases as MgO content increases, two trends are apparent which converge around MgO = 4 wt. % (Fig. 2c). The lower Al₂O₃ trend, which has a shallower slope and decreases from ~12 wt. % Al_2O_3 to ~11 wt. % Al_2O_3 and the higher Al_2O_3 trend which has a steeper slope, decreasing from ~15 wt. % to ~11 wt. %. Above the FMQ buffer, the lower Al₂O₃ trend may be explained by the crystallisation of plagioclase which incorporates more Al_2O_3 from the melt and therefore leaves the melt relatively depleted in Al_2O_3 . In the higher Al_2O_3 trend, there are no plagioclase-bearing experiments therefore is less Al₂O₃ removed from the melt, resulting in relative Al₂O₃ enrichment. Below the FMQ buffer we observe no plagioclase in any experiments, likely due to the reduced stability field of plagioclase under more reducing conditions as described by Toplis and Carroll (1995). We do, however, observe that the higher Al_2O_3 trend below the FMQ buffer correlates to the crystallisation of clinopyroxene concomitant with Fe–Ti oxides, whilst clinopyroxene is absent in the experiments that are described by the lower Al_2O_3 trend.

We find that the addition of P_2O_5 to the starting composition reduces the melt SiO₂ content by up to ~ 5 wt.% in comparison to undoped runs, though this effect is less pronounced under more reducing conditions and the addition of P₂O₅ to starting composition 15Fe-9 produces a glass (15FeP-9) with a higher SiO_2 content; 46.64 and 47.80 wt. %, respectively. Toplis et al. (1994b) have demonstrated that the addition of P_2O_5 has a significant effect on shear viscosity at a fixed temperature, directly influencing melt polymerisation. The degree of melt polymerisation can be quantified in terms of the ratio of non-bridging oxygens to tetrahedrally coordinated cations, or NBO/T (Mysen 1983). Between FMQ + 2and FMQ - 2(Fig. 2f) the NBO/T content of the glasses increases overall, reflecting depolymerisation of the melt under more reducing conditions. An alternative measure of melt structure is optical basicity (Λ), which distinguishes different cations with contrasting electron donor power (Duffy 1993). We find a positive correlation between NBO/T and optical basicity, suggesting that both parameters provide a representative description of melt composition.

Trace element contents of experimental glasses are reported in Supplementary Table ST2. No clear trend of trace element enrichment or depletion is observed as a function of the melt fraction in the experiments because various levels of trace element doping were used in our starting compositions.

Ilmenite and magnetite are the most common oxide phases in our experiments. Oxygen fugacity exerts a strong control on the stability field of magnetite, demonstrated by the decreased proportion and eventual absence of magnetite with decreasing fO_2 in our experiments (Table 2) and corroborated by a range of experimental studies conducted on



Fig. 2 Major element variation diagrams for experimental glasses, including starting compositions (stars), Phosphorus-bearing samples have open symbols, whilst P-free samples are filled. The P-free experiments conducted at FMQ+1 (diamond symbols) and FMQ+2 (cir-

cle symbols) are enriched in SiO₂ and alkalis, and depleted in TiO₂, FeO and MgO relative to their P-doped counterparts. Error bars = 1σ . Oxides are normalised to 100 wt. %

basalts and ferrobasalts at atmospheric pressure (e.g. Juster et al. 1989; Snyder et al. 1993; Toplis et al. 1994a; Toplis and Carroll 1995; Sievwright et al. 2017, 2020). Ilmenite is present only between FMQ – 2 and FMQ + 1, absent in the most oxidising runs at FMQ + 2. Although the saturation point of ilmenite is largely controlled by the TiO₂ content of the melt (Toplis and Carroll 1995), the stability field of ilmenite is a function of fO_2 and in contrast to magnetite, increases under more reducing conditions; this is linked to the destabilisation of magnetite and subsequent Fe-enrichment in the melt (Charlier et al. 2015).

Ilmenite crystals are typically elongate and needlelike and can be skeletal, often reaching up to 600 μ m in length but only 5–20 μ m wide. The composition of our experimental ilmenites, as expected, depends strongly on oxygen fugacity. The TiO₂ content increases from 42.8 wt. % at FMQ + 1 to 54 wt. % at FMQ -2, whilst FeO decreases from 46.7 wt. % to 37.6 wt. % over the same range. As the FeO content of the ilmenites decreases, the MgO content increases from 3.5 to 6.6 wt. %. The X_{ilm} component $(X_{ilm} = Fe^{2+} + [0.5*A1])$, calculated following the QUILF algorithm of Andersen et al. (1993), increases from IIm₈₀ to IIm₁₀₀ between FMQ + 1 and FMQ - 2.

Magnetite crystals have a euhedral to subhedral equant form and can be skeletal, ranging between 5 and 50 μ m in diameter. In our experiments performed at and below the FMQ buffer, magnetite is absent in runs doped with phosphorus (i.e. it is present in run 15Fe-9 but not run 15FeP-9), consistent with the study of Toplis et al. (1994a). The destabilisation of magnetite by the addition

of phosphorus has been explained by Toplis et al. (1994a) as a result of the reduction in ferric iron and/or the formation of stable $P-Fe^{3+}$ complexes. Between FMQ + 2 and FMQ - 2, the TiO₂ and Al₂O₃ content of our experimental magnetites increases from 11.8 to 27.8 wt. % and from 2.1 to 4.3 wt. %, respectively. In the same range, the FeO content decreases from 74.5 to 52.2 wt. %. As the FeO content decreases, the MgO content of the magnetite increases from 3.1 to 4.5 wt. %. The Cr₂O₃ content is high, ranging between 0.2 and 6.9 wt. % and in general increases as oxygen fugacity decreases, however it should be noted that run 10P-7 (FMQ + 2) produces magnetite crystals with a significantly higher Cr₂O₃ content than other FMQ + 2 magnetites (5.7 wt.%) and run 15-9 (FMQ -1) has a lower Cr₂O₃ content (2.9 wt. %) than other FMQ – 1 magnetites. The $X_{\rm mt}$ component ($X_{\rm mt} = 0.5 * {\rm Fe}^{3+}/{\rm Fm}$ $[Ti + (0.5*Fe^{3+}) + (0.5*Al)])$, calculated following the QUILF algorithm of Andersen et al. (1993), decreases under more reducing conditions from Mt_{64} at FMQ + 2 to Mt_{10} at FMQ – 2. The mole fraction of the ilmenite (X_{ilm}) and magnetite (X_{mt}) end members are reported in Supplementary Table ST1 and illustrated as a function of fO_2 in Fig. 3.

Minor oxide phases produced in our experiments are ulvöspinel (Fe₂TiO₄) and ferropseudobrookite (Fe₂TiO₅). Ulvöspinel is present only in runs at FMQ + 2 and crystals are elongate, between 5 and 15 μ m in diameter. Ulvöspinel is characterised by higher TiO₂ (32.7–38 wt. %) and lower FeO contents (51.1–56.7 wt. %) than coexisting magnetite and low Al₂O₃ contents <0.80 wt. %. Ferropseudobrook-ite crystals, present at FMQ + 1 and FMQ + 2, are typically elongate and skeletal, reaching 40 μ m in length but only 5 to 10 μ m wide. Ferropseudobrookite is the oxide phase with the highest TiO₂ content (50.3–57.4 wt. % TiO₂) and lowest FeO content (30.1–38.6 wt. %). Minor components include Al₂O₃ (1.2–1.9 wt. %) and MgO (3.1–4.6 wt. %).

Both ulvöspinel and ferropseudobrookite are unstable at low fO_2 (e.g. Anovitz et al. 1985) appearing just below the hematite–magnetite buffer, which limits their incidence to FMQ > 1 in our experiments.

Clinopyroxene crystals are subhedral to euhedral, up to 250 μ m in diameter. Clinopyroxene is present in all runs above the FMQ buffer, whilst below the FMQ buffer it is present only in starting compositions with the lowest Fe content (SC4/5 and SC4/10Fe). The TiO₂ and MgO contents range between 1.8 and 3.1 wt. % and 11.9–13.8 wt. %, independent of fO_2 . The FeO contents range between 9.1 and 13.3 wt. % and the calcium component of clinopyroxene, expressed as wollastonite content (Wo) ranges between Wo₃₇ and Wo₄₈. The mg # ranges between 65 and 72. We observe no strong influence of fO_2 on major element partitioning in clinopyroxene, which may be a result of the preferential incorporation of Fe³⁺ into the Fe–Ti oxides which always coexist with cpx.

Plagioclase feldspar, present at and above the FMQ buffer, is characterised by long, subhedral to euhedral elongate tabular grains which reach 600 μ m in length and 10–75 μ m in width. There is no significant influence of fO_2 on the major element composition of plagioclase. The SiO₂ contents range between 55.4 and 59.1 wt. %, Al₂O₃ between 25.0 and 27.2 wt. % and CaO between 9.2 and 10.7 wt. %. Anorthite contents in plagioclase range between An₄₇ and An₅₃ (Supplementary Table ST1).

Trace element contents for ilmenite, magnetite and clinopyroxene are reported in Supplementary Table ST3. We do not investigate trace element partitioning in plagioclase as this area has already been thoroughly studied (e.g. Bédard 2006; Aigner-Torres et al. 2007; Sun et al. 2017; Dygert et al. 2020) or in ferropseudobrookite as we have too few data on the latter to be statistically relevant. For ulvöspinel, only the largest crystals could be measured with the LA–ICP–MS, so trace element data is limited to only two

Fig. 3 Ilmenite (a) and magnetite (b) composition as a function of oxygen fugacity (Δ FMQ), calculated following the QUILF algorithm of Andersen et al. (1993). The spread in the data at each fO₂ is a result of the different starting compositions used. The influence of fO_2 on Fe–Ti oxide composition is clear, particularly for magnetite in which a linear correlation between X_{mt} and Δ FMQ is observed



experiments (runs 10P-7 and 5–10). This data will not be considered in the discussion but is reported in Supplementary Table ST3. It should also be noted that the Cr measured with LA-ICP-MS often gives a very large error in the magnetites with high Cr_2O_3 content although the EPMA data is much more consistent; therefore the EPMA measurements of Cr are reported in Supplementary Table ST3 and used for Cr partition coefficients in magnetite instead of LA–ICP–MS data.

Mineral-melt partition coefficients

Trace element mineral-melt partition coefficients $(D_i = c_{mineral}^i / c_{melt}^i)$ for the phases of interest (ilmenite, magnetite, clinopyroxene) are presented in Supplementary Table ST3. The measured partition coefficients are in agreement with those in the literature that are measured under similar conditions (e.g. Toplis and Corgne 2002; Hill et al. 2011; Leitzke et al. 2016, 2017; Sievwright et al. 2017). As suggested by Prowatke and Klemme (2006) Henry's Law is satisfied as the concentration of the trace element in the crystal is less than 1 wt. %. A summary of the partitioning data for ilmenite, magnetite and clinopyroxene is presented in Fig. 4.

The divalent cations Zn, Mn, Co and Ni are compatible in ilmenite and magnetite, whilst D_{Zn}^{cpx} and D_{Mn}^{cpx} are incompatible (D < 1) in some runs (though this does not appear to correlate with oxygen fugacity). Manganese is the least compatible divalent cation in each phase; D_{Mn}^{ilm} values range from 1.6 to 2.1, D_{Mn}^{mt} from 1.5 to 3.3 and D_{Mn}^{cpx} from 0.87 to 1.1, whilst Ni is the most compatible divalent cation (Fig. 4). Excluding Zn, which is present only in runs 5–10 and 10FeP-10, the partitioning behaviour of the divalent cations in magnetite appears to be influenced strongly by oxygen fugacity as they become more compatible with increasing fO_2 . Although 500 ppm of Zn was added to the starting composition in runs 7 and 12, and 250 ppm in runs 8 to 11, Zn is absent in every run except run 10. Zinc may have been lost from the experiments due to its low condensation temperature and volatility (Norris and Wood 2017); Sievwright et al. (2020) also report Zn loss from their experiments, attributed to bulk diffusion out of the crystal.

The rare earth elements (REE ³⁺) are incompatible (D < 1) in all three phases. The heavy REE (HREE: Gd-Lu + Y) are more abundant in ilmenite than the light REE (LREE: La-Eu), reflected in the partition coefficients (Fig. 4) which are close to or below the detection limit for the LREE and increase from 0.01 to 0.16 between D_{Gd} and D_{Lu} . The concentration of several REE in magnetite are also close to or below the detection limit, whilst clinopyroxene is the phase most enriched in REE, reflected in the higher D_{REE} values. In contrast to ilmenite, the sharpest increase in D_{REE} values for



Fig. 4 Partitioning of trace elements between ilmenite-melt, magnetite-melt and clinopyroxene melt, illustrating the compatibility of each element. Divalent cations are dominantly compatible in all phases, whilst REE are incompatible. Error bars= 1σ . Nickel, V and

Cr are the most compatible elements in all three phases. Shaded area represents detection limit which is <0.1 for LREE and <0.25 for HREE. Detection limit for Mo, Nb and Ta in cpx are 0.5, 1.2, and 1.7, respectively

clinopyroxene is in the LREE which increase from 0.04 to 0.63 between D_{La} and D_{Gd} . Scandium is compatible (D>1) in both ilmenite and clinopyroxene with D_{Sc} values ranging between 1.5 and 2.6 and 4.2 and 13.9, respectively, whilst it is incompatible in all but one run in magnetite. Overall, the partitioning of trivalent cations (REE, Y, Sc) shows no strong dependence on fO_2 in the Fe–Ti oxides, whilst there is a weak negative correlation between clinopyroxene D_{REE} and fO_2 . Additionally, below the FMQ buffer, clinopyroxene D_{Eu} is low relative to D_{Sm} and D_{Gd} .

Tantalum is the most compatible high-field strength (HFSE) cation studied in both ilmenite and magnetite, in agreement with the study of Sievwright et al. (2017), followed by Nb, Hf then Zr. In contrast, Hf is the most compatible HFSE cation in clinopyroxene, followed by Zr, Ta, then Nb. Although the HFSE Zr and Hf are incompatible in all three phases, Nb (D = 0.89 - 1.7) and Ta (D = 1.6 - 2.5) are compatible in ilmenite. There is no significant variation in D_{HFSE} with fO_2 for ilmenite and clinopyroxene, however oxygen fugacity exerts a strong control on D_{Zr} and D_{Nb} in magnetite which decrease with increasing fO_2 .

A similar, albeit weaker trend is also observed for D_{Ta} in magnetite.

The partitioning behaviour of both Mo and V is strongly influenced by oxygen fugacity in all three phases. Molybdenum is least compatible in clinopyroxene, with D_{M_0} values ranging between 0.001 at FMQ + 2 to 0.04 at FMQ - 2. Similarly, with decreasing $fO_2 D_{Mo}$ increases from 0.25 to 1.1 in ilmenite, and from 0.03 to 0.49 in magnetite. Vanadium also becomes more compatible under more reducing conditions, reflected in the partition coefficients; with decreasing oxygen fugacity, D_V^{cpx} increases from 0.9 to 8.5, D_V^{ilm} from 7.0 to 17.4, and V is the most compatible in magnetite, ranging from 7.1 to 32.9. This can be explained by the flexible crystal structure of magnetite which permits the accommodation of a range of cations (Righter et al. 2006a; Arató and Audétat 2021); the similar ionic radii of V^{3+} (0.65 Å) and V^{4+} (0.61 Å) to Fe³⁺ (0.67 Å) and Ti⁴⁺ (0.64 Å) allows V to become strongly concentrated in magnetite (Arató and Audétat 2021). The relationship between D_V and fO_2 for our experimental data, corroborated by literature data, is illustrated in Fig. 5.

Fig. 5 Partitioning of V between **a** ilmenite—melt, **b** magnetite—melt and **c** clinopyroxene melt as a function of fO_2 for this study compared with previous work. Error bars = 1σ . A strong relationship between D_V and fO_2 is observed in all phases. Note that the experiments of Dygert et al. (2013, 2014) were conducted at pressures > 0.8 GPa



Chromium, likely in the form Cr^{3+} which is the most abundancy Cr valency in terrestrial basaltic melts (Papike et al. (2005) is the most compatible element in each phase with mineral-melt partition coefficients ranging between 25.3 and 153.3 for clinopyroxene, 42.6–120.3 in ilmenite and 196.4–2082.1 in magnetite. In contrast to Mo and V, D_{Cr} becomes more compatible with increasing fO_2 . Although there is an overall positive correlation between increasing fO_2 and D_{Cr} in magnetite and clinopyroxene, there is a large spread in the data at FMQ+2 with a cluster of anomalously low D_{Cr} values. Interestingly, the experimental run with the highest D_{Cr} for magnetite (run 10P-7) does not correspond to the run with the highest D_{Cr} for clinopyroxene (run 5–10). These observations suggest that fO_2 is not the only control on Cr partitioning in magnetite and clinopyroxene.

Members of the magnetite-ulvöspinel solid solution have an inverse spinel structure and chromium is often a major component in spinels. Mixing along this solid solution is a potential contributing factor to the range in D_{Cr} values that we observe in magnetite. Chromium partition coefficients for our experimental magnetites and ulvöspinels are plotted as a function of mineral MgO content, alongside magnetite $D_{\rm Cr}$ from Toplis and Corgne (2002) for comparison (Supplementary Figure SF1). Although below 4 wt. % MgO there is a clear negative correlation between the MgO content and D_{Cr} of both spinel phases, there appears to be no obvious influence of fO_2 on the relationship between mineral MgO content and D_{Cr} . Above 4 wt. % MgO, however, there are five magnetite data which show a lot of scatter and do not follow the same linear trend. The location of cations in the spinel structure is largely determined by ionic radii, valence and site preference energies which decrease in the octahedral site in the order $Cr^{3+} > Al^{3+} > Ti^{4+} > Fe^{2+}$ (Papike et al. 2005). It is therefore possible that substitution of Al^{3+} for Cr^{3+} , for example, results in significantly higher chromium partition coefficients in these samples. This suggests that there may be mixing along the spinel solid solution, and the observed range in $D_{\rm Cr}$ values above 4 wt. % MgO may be evidence of disorder in the spinel structure.

Similarly, the range in clinopyroxene-melt D_{Cr} under more oxidising conditions is likely linked to the coupling of Cr^{3+} with Al^{3+} in the M1 site (Klemme & O'Neill 2000) as suggested by Mallmann and O'Neill (2009) for their own experimental clinopyroxenes. Site preference energies for the M1 site decrease in the order $Al^{3+} > Fe^{3+} > Cr^{3+} > V^{3+} > Ti^{3+}$ (Papike et al. 2005).

Effect of melt composition

The degree of melt polymerisation and melt structure is here described by both NBO/T and optical basicity (Λ). For a comparison of the two measures as a function of melt MgO (wt. %), see Supplementary Figure SF2. The influence of NBO/T is strongest for the partitioning of divalent cations, which generally become less compatible as the melt becomes more depolymerised. Although there is no obvious correlation between D_{7n} and NBO/T in any phase, which may be a result of its volatility as mentioned previously, there is a clear negative correlation between NBO/T and D_{Mn} , D_{Co} and D_{Ni} for both ilmenite and magnetite (Fig. 6). The strongest correlation between NBO/T and D_{cnx}^{2+} is for D_{Co} , whilst there is no clear correlation between NBO/T and D_{Mn} or D_{Ni} for clinopyroxene. In general, the slope that describes the relationship between NBO/T and D^{2+} is exponential, with a steeper slope at lower NBO/T tending towards a shallower slope with increasing depolymerisation of the melt. A similar trend has been described previously for several crystalline phases (Kohn and Schofield 1994; Toplis and Corgne 2002; Sievwright et al. 2017). One explanation for this trend is that more polymerised melts contain fewer potential sites onto which network-modifying cations can partition, however as pointed out by Sievwright et al. (2017)this does not explain why the relationship we observe is exponential, or why the relationship with NBO/T is observed only for divalent cations and not network-modifying cations with different valence states.

One of the drawbacks of using NBO/T is that it does not make a distinction between network-modifying cations. Optical basicity (Λ) provides an alternative measure of melt structure which distinguishes different cations with contrasting electron donor power (Duffy 1993) and therefore an advantage of Λ is that it differentiates between network-modifying cations like Ca. Mg that are cannot be distinguished in the calculation of NBO/T (Michely et al. 2017). Plotting D^{2+} against Λ produces a similarly exponential function of Λ (Supplementary Figure SF3) for D_{Mn} , $D_{\rm Co}$ and $D_{\rm Ni}$ in magnetite and for $D_{\rm Ni}$ in clinopyroxene. This trend diverges into two paths at $\Lambda = 0.54$, producing two distinct populations; a similar trend is reported by Sievwright et al. (2017) for D^{2+} vs. optical basicity. This suggests that although melt composition has a clear effect, it is not the only control on divalent element partitioning. Furthermore, as mentioned previously we observe that decreasing oxygen fugacity results in melt depolymerisation; the Fe²⁺O content of the melt strongly influences NBO/T, therefore the observed correlation between D^{2+} and NBO/T may be an artefact of the changing fO_2 conditions. For example, under more oxidising conditions the proportion of Fe-Ti oxides increases (Table 2) which decreases the concentration of melt FeO. The correlations that we observe between the melt structure-both optical basicity and NBO/T-and trace element partitioning are likely therefore driven by changes in fO_2 and the relative abundance of Fe-Ti oxide phases that crystallise. As

Fig. 6 Mineral-melt partition coefficients of the divalent cations **a** zinc, **b** manganese, **c** cobalt and **d** nickel as a function of NBO/T. Runs at FMQ + 2, FMQ + 1, FMQ, FMQ -1 and FMQ -2 are denoted by circle, diamond, square, triangle and upside-down triangle symbols, respectively. Different phases are indicated by colour; ilmenite = blue, magnetite = green, clinopyroxene = purple. Error bars = 1σ



suggested by Sievwright et al. (2017), it is likely that the partitioning behaviour we observe is the result of the mineral-melt equilibria and associated changes in the Fe^{2+} and Fe^{3+} content of the melt.

Because TiO₂ also has a depolymerising effect on silicate melts (Leitzke et al. 2016), the TiO_2 content of the melt is also likely to influence trace element partitioning, though this is only important in studies with melts significantly enriched in TiO₂, as basaltic TiO₂ contents are low, around 2 wt. %. The effect of melt TiO₂ in Ti-enriched melts has been demonstrated for D_{HFSE} in ilmenite and clinopyroxene by Dygert et al. (2013, 2014) and Leitzke et al. (2016). Our ilm-melt, mt-melt and cpx-melt D_{HESE} partitioning data are plotted against melt TiO₂ alongside literature data for comparison in Fig. 7 and Supplementary Figures SF4 and SF5, respectively. Ilmenite D_{HESE} are plotted as a function of melt TiO_2 in Fig. 7 alongside literature data from Dygert et al. (2013) and Leitzke et al. (2016). We observe a negative correlation between ilmenite $D_{\rm HFSE}$ and melt TiO₂ content, particularly for D_{Zr} and D_{Nb} , corroborated by the experimental dataset of Dygert et al. (2013) over a similar melt TiO₂ range. Although their melt compositions cover a broader range, between 0 and 10 wt. % TiO₂ their ilmenite D_{HFSE} follow the same trend that we observe

in our own samples. We also find that there is a positive correlation between both $D_{\rm Hf}$ and $D_{\rm Zr}$ and the partitioning of Ti between ilmenite and melt. The relationship between melt TiO₂ and magnetite-melt D_{HFSE} is less significant (Supplementary Figure SF4), though there is a weak overall positive correlation. Literature data from Sievwright et al. (2020) are shown for comparison, however their data cover a smaller range of melt TiO₂ and produce no clear trend. Our clinopyroxene-melt $D_{\rm HFSE}$ data show an overall positive correlation with melt TiO_2 for D_{Zr} and D_{Hf} (Supplementary Figure SF5), in agreement with Dygert et al. (2014), whilst there is no obvious correlation between D_{Ta} or $D_{\rm Nb}$ and melt TiO₂. Melt TiO₂ exerts the strongest influence on HFSE partitioning in ilmenite, concordant with the results of Dygert et al. (2013). They attribute this result to the association of HFSE with Fe-Ti-O complexes in the melt which are not constrained by a crystal lattice and thus accommodate cations with a range of sizes and charges, so highly charged cations like HFSE can be more easily accommodated by the melt which results in lower mineral-melt D_{HFSE} with increasing melt TiO₂.

As mentioned previously, the effect that the addition of phosphorus to the starting compositions has on trace element partitioning is that it destabilises magnetite under more **Fig. 7** Ilmenite-melt partition coefficients of the high-field strength elements **a** zircon, **b** hafnium, **c** tantalum and **d** niobium as a function of melt TiO₂ (wt. %, normalised to 100%). Error bars = 1σ . Additional ilmenite-melt HFSE partitioning data from Dygert et al. 2013 and Leitzke et al. 2016 are shown for comparison. Similar figures for D_{HFSE} in magnetite and clinopyroxene are given as Supplementary Figures SF4 and SF5



reducing conditions, resulting in limited trace element partitioning data at and below the FMQ buffer. At FMQ + 2, the divalent cations Mn, Co and Ni become less compatible with the addition of P, however this is a result of the affect that P has on NBO/T ratios rather than direct interactions between phosphorus and trace cations (Schmidt et al. 2006). A similar relationship is observed for clinopyroxene. Although there is similar effect of P on the divalent cations in ilmenite for starting composition SC4/10Fe and SC4/10FeP, the addition of P for starting composition SC4/15Fe results in an increase in D_{ilm}^{2+} . This effect may be explained by the influence that the addition of P has on the Fe³⁺/ Σ Fe ratios in the melt and the formation of P–Fe³⁺ melt complexes, which reduce the activity of Fe³⁺ and perhaps facilitate the substitution of divalent cations for Fe²⁺ in ilmenite.

Lattice strain model

Although partition coefficients for divalent cations and HFSE in ilmenite, magnetite and clinopyroxene are strongly dependent on melt composition, partition coefficients of REE, Y and Sc appear to be insensitive to melt composition. The mineral-melt partitioning of REE, Y and Sc can instead be quantified by the lattice strain model, Eq. 1, which relates the partition coefficient (D_i) and ionic radius $(r_i, \text{ Å})$ of a particular element (i) to the ionic radius (r_0) and partition coefficient (D_0) of an idealised, optimal element $(_0)$ which enters the crystal lattice without straining it (Blundy and Wood 1994):

$$D_{\rm i} = D_0 \exp\left(\frac{-4\pi {\rm EN}_{\rm A} \left[\frac{r_0}{2} \left(r_{\rm i} - r_0\right)^2 + \frac{1}{3} \left(r_{\rm i} - r_0\right)^3\right]}{{\rm RT}}\right) \quad (1)$$

where *E* is the effective Young's modulus of the site of interest in GPa; N_A is Avogadro's number; *R* is the gas constant and *T* is the temperature in Kelvin. The parameters D_0 and r_0 define the apex of an asymmetric parabola whilst *E*, the apparent Young's modulus, measures the elastic response of the crystallographic site to the strain placed on the lattice structure by elements of a nonideal size (Blundy and Wood 1994). The greater the Young's Modulus, the less elastic the site and the tighter the parabola (Blundy and Wood 2003; McDade et al. 2003; Fabbrizio et al. 2021). The lattice strain

model has useful applications in estimating ideal partition coefficients for unmeasured elements, evaluating the quality of experimental datasets, and in determining the relationship between valency and oxygen fugacity (e.g. Toplis and Corgne 2002; Cartier et al. 2014). The model works particularly well for the REE, because there are no entropic or crystal field effects, and they comprise a continuous suite of ionic radii (e.g. Brice 1975; Beattie 1994; Burnham and O'Neill 2020). Lattice strain models were not fitted to divalent and tetravalent cations because of the possible mixed valence states for some elements, however the logarithm of D^{2+} for each phase are plotted as a function of ionic radius in Supplementary Figure SF6 and show that the partition coefficients in each phase decrease with increasing ionic radius.

Values for D_{0^r} r_0 and *E* were obtained using a Monte Carlo-type approach following a method inspired from Cartier et al. (2014). This method consists of 100,000 randomly generated solutions in a defined range of lattice parameters. The optimum ionic radius, r_0 , was fixed to 0.69 Å for ilmenite and 0.63 Å for magnetite, based on the optimum r_0 values determined by Dygert et al. (2013) and Sievwright et al. (2020), respectively, because all the elements of interest plot on one side of the parabola. The

range in D_0 values was restricted based on the visual observation of our D_i values in each phase and the maximum E was set to 600 GPa for ilmenite and magnetite and 1200 GPa for clinopyroxene, based on the examples in the literature (Dygert et al. 2013; Liang et al. 2013; Sievwright et al. 2020). A total of 100,000 solutions were generated for each parameter, of which the best fit to measured D_i values was determined using the Chi-squared test (χ^2). This process was repeated 100 times in a loop using solutions within one standard deviation of the calculated D_i values, and the mean of each parameter was substituted into Eq. 1 to produce best-fit parabolas. The fits are shown in Fig. 8a–c and values of D_0 and E and their errors (reported as the standard deviation of 100 iterations) are provided in Supplementary Table ST4.

The estimated D_0 for the ilmenites produced in our experiments is higher than the D_0 of 0.61 ± 0.19 reported by Dygert et al. (2013), ranging between 2.79 ± 0.78 and 3.53 ± 0.88 . Young's modulus values range between 376 ± 57 GPa and 425 ± 58 GPa. In magnetite, the D_0 range between 1.96 ± 0.59 and 2.70 ± 0.18 , whilst *E* values range between 299 ± 56 GPa and 434 ± 73 GPa. Only the right limb of the Onuma diagrams is present due to the possible



Fig.8 Onuma diagrams showing the the measured mineral-melt partition coefficients for REE, Sc and Y in **a** ilmenite, **b** magnetite and **c** clinopyroxene. Coefficients from the lattice strain model (Eq. 2) are used to plot the parabolas for each experiment, which describe

the best fit for measured partition coefficients. Runs at different oxygen fugacity conditions are denoted by the different colours. Error bars = 1σ

mixed valence state of Cr and the incorporation of Al^{3+} and Cr^{3+} as major cations.

The REE and Y enter the M2 site in clinopyroxene, whilst Sc enters the M1 site. The REE and Y describe a parabola with an optimum ionic radius of 1.00 ± 0.02 to 1.02 ± 0.01 , and Young's moduli of 199 ± 32 GPa to 314 ± 40 GPa. The D_0 values range between 0.38 ± 0.02 and 0.69 ± 0.04 . The effect of fO_2 on the REE and Y is reflected in the lattice strain parameters; at lower fO_2 , r_0 and E are at the lowest end of the range and D_0 is the highest. As scandium enters the M1 site of clinopyroxene, a parabola is not fitted through the D_{Sc} values. We find that there is no clear influence of oxygen fugacity on the partitioning behaviour of REE, Y and Sc described by the lattice strain model.

The usefulness of the lattice strain model for trivalent cations is that it can be used to predict the partition coefficient of an unknown trivalent element by fixing the parabola to a reference element, e.g. La, of which the partition coefficient is known. Re-writing Eq. (1) in terms of $D_{La}^{\text{ilm/melt}}$ gives the following equation:

$$D_{i}^{\text{ilm/melt}} = D_{\text{La}}^{\text{ilm/melt}} - \frac{4\pi E_{\text{ilm}} N_{\text{A}}}{\text{RT}} \left(\frac{r_{0}^{\text{ilm}}}{2} \left(r_{\text{La}}^{\text{ilm}} - r_{\text{i}} \right)^{2} + \frac{1}{3} \left(r_{\text{La}}^{\text{ilm}} - r_{\text{i}} \right)^{3} \right)$$
(2)

where r_0^{ilm} is fixed to 0.69 in ilmenite, $D_{\text{La}}^{\text{ilm/melt}}$ and E_{ilm} can be obtained from the modelled results at the required oxygen fugacity in Supplementary Table ST4, and r_i defines the ionic radius of the trivalent element in question (sixfold coordination in ilmenite) which can be obtained from Shannon (1976), so that $D_i^{\text{ilm/melt}}$ of a trivalent element of interest can be calculated.

Vanadium as an oxybarometer

Cations such as Fe, Ti, Cr and V exhibit a range of valence states over the broad spectrum of oxygen fugacity conditions experienced by planetary basalts; their typical oxidation states in oxides and silicates are Fe²⁺ and Fe³⁺, Ti^{3+} and Ti^{4+} , Cr^{2+} and Cr^{3+} , and V^{2+} , V^{3+} , V^{4+} and V^{5+} (Schreiber and Balzas 1982; Papike et al. 2005; Sutton et al. 2005; Mallmann and O'Neill 2009; Krawczynski and Grove 2012). In terrestrial magmas, vanadium is likely to be present as V^{3+} , V^{4+} or V^{5+} , however Toplis and Corgne (2002) have demonstrated that the V^{4+} is the dominant valence state between FMQ -2 and FMQ. Further decreasing oxygen fugacity results in a decrease in the relative proportion of V⁴⁺ in the melt and an increase in the proportion of V^{3+} (Schreiber and Balzas 1982). This may be explained by the large octahedral site preference energy of vanadium (Canil and Fedortchouk 2000). Based on the similarities between Fe³⁺ and Ti⁴⁺, respectively, it is assumed that both V^{3+} and V^{4+} may enter the M1 site

of clinopyroxene (Shannon 1976; Wood and Blundy 1997; Toplis and Corgne 2002) whilst V is predominantly V^{3+} in magnetite and occupies only the octahedral site (Canil 1999; Toplis and Corgne 2002; Righter et al. 2006a). Previous experimental studies have shown that the partitioning behaviour of V is strongly dependent on oxygen fugacity (Schreiber and Balzas 1982; Canil 1999; Toplis and Corgne 2002; Sutton et al. 2005; Karner et al. 2006; Righter et al. 2006b, Mallmann & O'Neill 2009, 2013). The proportion of V^{3+} (i.e. the $V^{3+}/\Sigma V$ ratio) in the melt and thus the total $D_{\rm V}$ (the sum of $D_{\rm V}^{2+}$, $D_{\rm V}^{3+}$, $D_{\rm V}^{4+}$, $D_{\rm V}^{5+}$) decreases with increasing oxygen fugacity. As such, the compatibility of vanadium is a function of the redox conditions of the magma (Canil 2002). The benefit of using vanadium in particular as a proxy for fO_2 is that as long as the system remains closed, changes to the $V^{3+}/\Sigma V$ ratio after crystallisation have no effect on the redox record. The bulk vanadium mineral-melt partition coefficient can be defined as

$$D_{\Sigma V}^{\min - melt} = \frac{\left(\Sigma \left[V^{x+1} \right] \right) mineral}{\left(\Sigma \left[V^{x+1} O_{x/2} \right] \right) melt}$$
(3)

And the 3 dominant V oxide components in terrestrial magmas can be related to each other through a series of redox reactions (Mallmann & O'Neill 2009):

$$V^{3+}O_{1.5} + 0.5 O_2 = V^{5+}O_{2.5}$$
(4)

$$V^{4+}O_2 + 0.25 O_2 = V^{5+}O_{2.5}$$
 (5)

Toplis and Corgne (2002) show that for starting composition SC4, V⁴⁺ is the dominant valence state at FMQ -2. With increasing fO_2 , the proportion of V⁵⁺ increases whereas that of V⁴⁺ decreases, until V⁵⁺ becomes the dominant valence state above FMQ +2. The proportion of V³⁺ in the melt is negligible above FMQ -2. Based on these observations, we can infer that the relative proportion of V⁴⁺ and V⁵⁺ in the melt is approximately equal in our experiments at FMQ +2, whilst V⁴⁺ becomes increasingly dominant as fO_2 decreases.

As illustrated in Fig. 5, our data suggest that $D_V^{\text{ilm/liq}}$ is less dependent on fO_2 than $D_V^{\text{mt/liq}}$. The TiO₂ content of magnetite increases with decreasing fO_2 , which increases the possibility of potential Ti⁴⁺–V⁴⁺ substitutions (Toplis and Corgne 2002). Under the same conditions, proportion of V³⁺ increases in the melt and thus in associated magnetite; the combination of these effects increases the $D_V^{\text{mt/liq}}$. Ilmenite, on the other hand, easily concentrates highly charged cations such as Nb⁵⁺ and Ta⁵⁺. Niobium in particular has a similar ionic radius to Ti⁴⁺ and thus may easily partition into ilmenite by coupled substitution, charge balanced by trivalent cations such as Al³⁺ (e.g. Nb⁵⁺ + Al³⁺ = 2Ti⁴⁺) (Horng et al. 1999). Our data show that Nb and Ta are compatible in ilmenite ($D_{\rm Nb} > 1$, $D_{\rm Ta} > 1.5$) and incompatible in magnetite ($D_{\rm Nb} < 0.21$, $D_{\rm Ta} < 0.33$), corroborated by literature data (Green and Pearson 1987; Nielsen and Beard 2000; Dygert et al. 2013; Sievwright et al. 2020). This ability to accommodate highly charged cations may result in the insensitivity of ilmenite to different vanadium valence states and thus the reduced dependence of $D_{\rm V}^{\rm ilm/liq}$ partitioning on fO_2 , relative to magnetite.

The overall dependence of D_V on oxygen fugacity (Δ FMQ) and melt composition is expressed in a series of linear regression equations for ilmenite, magnetite and clinopyroxene:

$$\Delta FMQ^{\rm ilm} = -0.28 \pm 0.02 \text{ x} D_{\rm V}^{\rm ilm} -2.85 \pm 0.56 \text{ x NBO/T} + 4.28 \pm 0.50$$
(6)

$$\Delta FMQ^{mt} = -0.07 \pm 0.01 \text{ x} D_V^{mt} - 1.75$$

$$\pm 4.52 \text{ x NBO/T} + 3.22 \pm 0.14$$
(7)

$$\Delta FMQ^{cpx} = -0.61 \pm 0.03 \text{ x} D_V^{cpx} + 2.71 \pm 0.11$$
(8)

Although we find no clear influence of melt composition on the partitioning of elements other than divalent cations, we include a parameter for NBO/T for the Fe–Ti oxides to account for potential interplay between Fe and P in the melt. Select literature data from Toplis and Corgne (2002) and Sievwright et al. (2020), conducted under similar conditions (1 bar, and 1068–1095 °C) were included in the regression model for Δ FMQ ^{cpx} and Δ FMQ ^{mt}. Additional literature data from the same authors are fit using Eqs. (6–8) and are generally well-predicted; the accuracy of these models are shown in Fig. 9a–c. The majority of data points fall on or close to the 1:1 line, attesting to the accuracy of the model.

Calibration of a DV oxybarometer

Although our data show that there is a strong relationship between D_V and fO_2 , the application of the above vanadium oxybarometers for Fe–Ti oxides in particular requires knowledge of the melt composition. Bulk mineral–liquid partition coefficients can be estimated for cumulate rocks, for example, by using appropriate (in terms of e.g. fO_2 , pressure, temperature and expected parental magma composition) experimentally derived partition coefficients, such as those reported in this study. Thus, the composition of the glass is not required. Various two-oxide oxybarometers have been developed (Ghiorso and Sack 1991; Lindsley and Frost 1992; Andersen et al. 1993; Lattard et al. 2005; Sauerzapf et al. 2008; Arató and Audétat 2017b) which are generally





based on the compositions and cation proportions of coexisting Fe–Ti oxides, however there are few oxybarometers that take advantage of the strong fO_2 dependence of vanadium partitioning in Fe–Ti oxides in melt-free compositions.

To account for the different dependences of $D_V^{\text{mt/liq}}$ and $D_V^{\text{ilm/liq}}$ partitioning on fO_2 , we present an empirical approach in which the ratio of D_V between magnetite and ilmenite pairs is used as a proxy for fO_2 , in the form of the equation:

the Skaergaard intrusion is to constrain differentiation processes and determine the distribution of economically important concentrations of elements such as PGE, Au and (e.g. Hunter and Sparks 1987; Jang and Naslund 2001; Jang et al. 2001; Tegner et al. 2009; Nielsen et al. 2014). Estimated vanadium/melt partition coefficients for the Skaergaard intrusion reported by McBirney (1998) are used to apply the above $D_V^{\text{mt/ilm}}$ oxybarometer (Eq. 9) to the lay-

 $\Delta FMQ = -0.65 \pm 0.08 \times (D_V^{\text{mt}}/D_V^{\text{ilm}})^2 + 3.07 \pm 0.50 \times (D_V^{\text{mt}}/D_V^{\text{ilm}}) + 3.42 \pm 0.73$ ⁽⁹⁾

in which the average $D_{\rm V}$ of our ilmenite-magnetite pairs at $fO_2 = FMQ - 2.13, -0.93$ and 0.05 are used in the calibration of the equation, incorporating the standard deviation of $D_{\rm V}$ at each fO_2 . The result of the calibration of the $D_{\rm V}^{\rm mt/ilm}$ oxybarometer is shown in Fig. 9d. Although we produce magnetite-ilmenite pairs (of a sufficient size to measure) at only three fO_2 , we expect that we can predict fO_2 as ΔFMQ within the range of fO_2 in this study (i.e. $fO_2 = FMQ - 2.13$ to FMQ + 0.05). To predict fO_2 over a broader range than we cover in this study, further experiments are required to produce magnetite-ilmenite pairs covering more oxidising and reducing conditions. We do not use natural magnetite-ilmenite pairs to supplement our experimental data as the oxygen fugacity is already an estimate with error based on the alternative Fe-Ti oxide oxybarometers, however we do present tuff data from Arató and Audétat (2017a) and Greber et al. (2021) to illustrate that our oxybarometer may be extended to encompass more oxidising conditions. We also incorporate this natural data into our model in Supplementary Figure SF7 and provide an equation, but we do stress that calibration of reliable oxybarometers require precise knowledge of the fO_2 conditions which can only be achieved in experimental studies.

Application to a ferrobasaltic layered intrusion

Widely considered the type example of a strongly differentiated layered intrusion, the Skaergaard intrusion is one of a series of intrusive complexes along the east coast of Greenland (Wager and Deer 1939; Wager and Brown 1967; Naslund 1984; McBirney 1989; Jang and Naslund 2001). The Skaergaard intrusion contains abundant ilmenite and magnetite, along with typical basaltic phases such as olivine, plagioclase and clinopyroxene; the occurrence of pyroxene, magnetite and olivine in particular is used to divide the layered series into zones. The layered series formed as a "cumulate"—a term introduced by Wager (1960) to describe the rocks of the Skaergaard intrusion—on the floor of the magma chamber.

One of the most important uses for estimated mineral/ melt partition coefficients in layered intrusions such as ered series of Skaergaard. We apply the equation to LZc of the Skaergaard intrusion, the horizon in which Fe–Ti oxides first become modally abundant (Jang et al. 2001), using estimated $D_V^{\text{ilm/liquid}}$ and $D_V^{\text{mt/liquid}}$ values of 11.1 and 24.7, respectively from McBirney (1998). Application of the oxybarometer yields an oxygen fugacity of 0.18 log units above FMQ; this is in good agreement with the fO_2 estimate of between 0.12 and 0.09 between LZb and LZc modelled by Thy et al. (2009). This model could be refined when further trace element analyses of magnetite and ilmenite from the Skaergaard intrusion are published.

Conclusions

We present partition coefficients for a suite of trace elements in ilmenite, magnetite and clinopyroxene under stable pressure and temperature conditions and over a range of redox conditions. The partitioning of the divalent cations Zn, Mn, Co and Ni, and the high-field strength elements Zr, Hf, Ta and Nb between mineral phases and coexisting silicate melt are shown to be influenced strongly by melt compositions, whilst the partitioning behaviour of REE, Y and Sc are described by cation radius and site elasticity by application of the lattice strain model. We find that the most compatible elements in all phases are the transition metals (e.g. Cr, V), which are also strongly influenced by oxygen fugacity. By exploiting the linear relationship that we observe between $D_{\rm V}$ and oxygen fugacity, we present empirical equations to predict Δ FMQ in ilmenite, magnetite and clinopyroxene as a function of $D_{\rm V}$. We also calibrate an oxybarometer based on the partitioning of V between magnetite-melt and ilmenite-melt, and apply this oxybarometer to the Skaergaard intrusion to estimate the fO_2 conditions at the horizon in which Fe-Ti oxides become modally abundant.

Our data span a range of fO_2 and melt compositions and complement literature data, particularly for magnetite and clinopyroxene. As much of the previously published experimental data on ilmenite—melt partitioning is focused at higher pressures and temperatures analogous to the moon, future work may focus on the development of experiments at lower temperatures and pressures, similar to this study, over a broader range of oxygen fugacity conditions.

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