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Abstract

Volatiles contribute to magma ascent through the sub-volcanic plumbing system. Here, we investigate melt inclusion compositions in terms of major and trace elements, as well as volatiles (H₂O, CO₂, SO₂, F, Cl, Br, S) for Quaternary Plinian and dome-forming dacite and andesite eruptions in the central and the northern part of Dominica (Lesser Antilles arc). Melt inclusions, hosted in orthopyroxene, clinopyroxene and plagioclase are consistently rhyolitic. Post-entrapment crystallisation effects are limited, and negligible in orthopyroxene-hosted inclusions. Melt inclusions are among the most water-rich yet recorded (≤ 8 wt% H₂O). CO₂ contents are generally low (< 650 ppm), although in general the highest pressure melt inclusion contain the highest CO₂. Some low-pressure (< 3 kbars) inclusions have elevated CO₂ (up to 1100–1150 ppm), suggestive of fluxing of shallow magmas with CO₂-rich fluids. CO₂-trace element systematics indicate that melts were volatile-saturated at the time of entrapment and can be used for volatile-saturation barometry. The calculated pressure range (0.8–7.5 kbars) indicates that magmas originate from a vertically-extensive (3–27 km depth) storage zone within the crust that may extend to the sub-Dominica Moho (28 km). The vertically-extensive crustal system is consistent with mush models for sub-volcanic arc crust wherein mantle-derived mafic magmas undergo differentiation over a range of crustal depths. The other volatile range of composition for melt inclusions from the central part is F (75–557 ppm), Cl (1525–3137 ppm), Br (6.1–15.4 ppm) and SO₂ (< 140 ppm), and for the northern part it's F (92–798 ppm), Cl (1506–4428 ppm), Br (not determined) and SO₂ (< 569 ; one value at 1015 ppm). All MIs, regardless of provenance, describe the same Cl/F correlation (8.3 ± 2.7), indicating that the magma source at depth is similar. The high H₂O content of Dominica magmas has implications for hazard assessment.

Keywords Melt inclusion · Volatiles · Arc magma · Dominica · Lesser Antilles arc

Introduction

Subduction zone volcanic rocks reflect diverse contributions to arc magma generation in terms of chemical modification of the mantle by recycled oceanic lithosphere (e.g.

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Macdonald et al. 2000). The chemical diversity of arc magmas provides insights into crustal differentiation processes (Yanagida et al. 2018), whereas their magmatic volatiles afford clues to eruption dynamics and pre-eruptive magma storage conditions (Gurenko et al. 2005; Balcone-Boissard et al. 2010), a key parameter in developing a better evaluation of volcanic hazard, and in hydrothermal mineralization (Wilkinson 2013). The primary geochemical signature of erupted magmas is inherited ultimately from the mantle source region with subsequent modification and evolution during differentiation and pre-eruptive ascent and storage in the crust. The role of different components in generating the diversity of arc magma composition (e.g. fluids derived from subducted oceanic crust and sediments, crustal contamination) remains a matter of debate (Thirlwall et al. 1996; Blundy et al. 2008; Labanieh et al. 2012).

Volatiles play a major role in determining the eruptive style of magma, through the interplay of degassing with magma rheology and phase relations (Esposito et al. 2014). Characterization of volatile contents is essential in predicting the potential explosivity of magma, especially in a subduction context. Much of our understanding of magmatic volatile contents comes from melt inclusions (MI), small glassy pockets of magma trapped by phenocrysts during their growth, that preserve the pre-eruptive volatile content prior to eruption and degassing of the matrix. Carefully interpreted, MI data can help us to constrain the pre-eruptive conditions in terms of magma composition in major, trace and volatile elements (Moore 2008).

The aim of this work is to characterize the geochemical fingerprint of magmas responsible for the large pumiceous eruptions in the central part of Dominica (Lesser Antilles volcanic arc) as well as for those from the Morne aux Diaboles volcanic center in the northern part, by analysing MIs trapped in the major phenocrysts of the different eruptions, for the full spectrum of major, trace and volatile elements, including H₂O, CO₂, F, Cl, Br and S. In addition, magma storage conditions at the scale of the Lesser Antilles arc are discussed.

Geological context

The Lesser Antilles arc results from the oblique subduction of the Atlantic sea floor (North and South American plates) beneath the Caribbean Plate at a mean convergence rate of 2 cm/year (Wadge 1984). The volcanic arc is 850 km long, extending from the island of Saba in the north to Grenada in the south, with an eastwards convexity. Dominica lies in the central part of the arc (Fig. 1a). North of Dominica the arc splits into two branches: the Outer or Older arc (Eocene to mid-Oligocene) and an Inner or Recent arc (Miocene to Recent). This jump in the northern sector has

been ascribed to ancient subduction of an aseismic ridge in the center of the arc causing a rupture in the subduction plate and a displacement of volcanic activity to the West in the early-Miocene (~20 Ma; Bouysse and Westercamp 1990). South of Dominica the two branches merge, creating a single volcanic arc active since the Miocene. The active part of the arc (Saba to Dominica in the north, and Dominica to Grenada in the south) has 12 currently active volcanic centers, the most well-known being Soufrière (Guadeloupe), Montagne Pelée (Martinique), Soufrière Hills (Montserrat) and Soufrière (Saint-Vincent). In the last 300 years, these centers have produced several historic effusive and explosive eruptions spanning a broad range of styles and chemistries. Recent activity of the arc (<2.0 My) shows an important segmentation (Macdonald et al. 2000). Three segments can be defined: Saba-Montserrat, Guadeloupe-Martinique and St Lucia-Grenada (Sigurdsson and Carey 1981; Wadge and Shepherd 1984). The segmentation is also manifested in terms of magma production rate. Over the last 0.1 Ma, the central segment is characterized by the largest magma production rate, with Dominica reaching a peak at ~40 km³ and Martinique and Guadeloupe at ~8 km³ (Wadge 1984). The north and south segments of the arc have produced significant smaller volumes of about 0–5 km³ over the same time period (Macdonald et al. 2000; Wadge 1984).

Dominica is the only island in the Lesser Antilles arc that exhibits multiple active volcanic centers. From North to South these are: Morne aux Diaboles (MAD), Morne Diablotins (MD), Morne Trois-Pitons–Micotrin (MTPM), and Morne Plat Pays (also referred to as Plat Pays Volcanic Complex, PPVC). South of Morne Trois-Pitons–Micotrin numerous satellite volcanic centers exist, including Grand Soufrière Hills, Morne Anglais and Foundland. Dominica has produced several km³ of volcanic products since the Pleistocene (Sigurdsson 1972; Lindsay et al. 2005; Smith et al. 2013; Howe et al. 2014, 2015; Boudon et al. 2017).

Recent studies have identified several voluminous pumiceous eruptions, including three large eruptions, expelled from the two central active centers: Layou (51 ka) from Morne Diablotins (MD), and Roseau (33 ka) and Grand Fond (24 ka) from Morne Trois Pitons-Micotrin (MTPM), each involving 3–5 km³ of magma (Boudon et al. 2017). Studies of eruptive deposits (Wadge 1984; Lindsay et al. 2005; Boudon et al. 2017) have demonstrated that eruption volumes of the central part of Dominica are one order of magnitude larger than those from the volcanoes on neighbouring islands (Montagne Pelée, Martinique or Soufrière of Guadeloupe). In the most recent period (<20 ka), at least six Plinian eruptions have been described originating from Morne Diablotins and Morne Trois Pitons-Micotrin (Boudon et al. 2017).

Morne aux Diaboles volcano (MAD) forms the northern tip of Dominica. Morne aux Diaboles is composed of one

Fig. 1 Geological context of Dominica (Lesser Antilles). **a** The Lesser Antilles arc. **b** Main volcanic centers from North (Morne aux Diaboles) to South (Morne Plat Pays), through the central part with

emphasis on the large pumiceous eruptions (Layout, Roseau, Grand Fond; modified from Boudon et al. 2017)

central and several parasitic andesitic lava domes from which block-and-ash pyroclastic density current and a few pumiceous and/or andesitic pyroclastic density current deposits radiate out in all directions (Smith et al. 2013). Age dating indicates that the main dome-building activity occurred between 1.5 and 1.0 million years ago, but valley-fill block-and-ash pyroclastic density current deposits suggest more recent activity. One such deposit on the north-east flank of the volcano has been recently dated at 43,710 year BP (Smith et al. 2013). Although there have been no historical eruptions at Morne aux Diaboles, there is some evidence of restlessness. This includes the presence of warm, acidic, sulfate-rich springs on the summit of the volcano, hot springs on the coast and the occurrence of shallow earthquake swarms partially located beneath the volcano, the most recent being in 2003 and 2009. Other

periods of such increased seismic activity occurred in 2000, 1893 and 1841.

Morne Plat Pays or Plat Pays Volcanic Complex (PPVC) is located in the southwestern corner of Dominica. The stratigraphic framework of Plat Pays Volcanic Complex shows a wide range eruptive styles but, as for Morne aux Diaboles, dome-forming activity dominates. Published work on Plat Pays Volcanic Complex has focussed on volcanic history and chronostratigraphy (Lindsay et al. 2003, 2005; Le Friant et al. 2002; Samper et al. 2008) and on petrology and geochemistry (Halama et al. 2006; Gurenko et al. 2005; Lindsay et al. 2005). A number of lava domes generated abundant block-and-ash pyroclastic density currents. The last of these, Morne Patate lava dome, is dated at 450 ± 90 year BP (Roobol et al. 1983). Several flank collapses have occurred, generating voluminous debris

avalanche deposits that flowed into the Caribbean Sea (Le Friant et al. 2002; Boudon et al. 2007).

Material

Deposit characteristics and magma composition

Morne Diablotins and Morne Trois Pitons-Micotrin

The MI-bearing phenocrysts studied here were selected through detailed sampling of the fallout deposit of the three major pumiceous eruptions (Fig. 2): Layou, Roseau and Grand Fond. All three eruptions involved a plinian phase that generated pumice fallout deposits followed by voluminous ash-and-pumice pyroclastic density currents that filled the valleys and flowed into the sea generating turbidite currents. In the upper parts of the valleys, where the deposits are thickest (up to 100 m), they are welded. For each ignimbritic eruption, a volume of 3–5 km³ DRE has been estimated based on stratigraphical investigations. These eruptions involved magmas that follow the andesite-dacite domain for whole rocks (Fig. 3a; Boudon et al. 2017). The magmas at the start of the Morne Diablotins (Layou) and Morne Trois Pitons-Micotrin (Roseau and Grand Fond) pumiceous eruptions are at the limit between acid andesite and dacite and the residual glasses are rhyolitic. These magmas are highly porphyritic (up to 35%), with phenocrysts of plagioclase, orthopyroxene, amphibole (principally in Layou), oxides and a few clinopyroxenes. Sparse quartz crystals are observed in Layou magmas. The composition of the different mineral phases is as follow: Layou pumices contain plagioclase (rim An₅₀), orthopyroxene (En₅₂), amphibole (Mg#0.55), magnetite (Mag₇₃), ilmenite (Ilm₈₅), clinopyroxene (Wo₄₅) and some quartz; Roseau pumices contain plagioclase (rim An₅₂), orthopyroxene (En₅₃), amphibole (Mg#0.56), magnetite (Mag₇₃), ilmenite (Ilm₈₆), clinopyroxene (Wo₄₄); Grand Fond pumice clasts have plagioclase (rim An₅₂), orthopyroxene (En₅₄), magnetite (Mag₇₁), ilmenite (Ilm₈₅). The magma temperature has been determined by Fe–Ti oxide thermometry (Ghiorso and Evans 2008) on touching magnetite-ilmenite pairs for Grand Fond (856–860 °C) and using MI-Opx thermometry (879 ± 25 °C; Putirka 2008, Eq. 28b). Only MI-Opx pairs were used to constrain temperatures for Roseau and Layou at 887 ± 25 °C and 852 ± 25 °C, respectively. Further details of the revised stratigraphy, sampling and eruption characteristics (ages, deposit volumes, compositions etc) are given in Boudon et al. (2017).

Morne aux Diables

The Morne aux Diables complex at the north end of Dominica comprises several Upper Pleistocene to Holocene

andesitic lava domes emplaced into a sequence of pyroclastic deposits associated with the deeply eroded, 2.0–1.7 Ma proto- Morne aux Diables stratovolcano (Smith et al. 2013; Howe et al. 2015). Block-and-ash pyroclastic density currents are associated with some lava domes. MI-bearing phenocrysts were studied from four selected pumices, whose compositions are representative of this volcanic center (andesite–dacite; Fig. 3a), and one mafic enclave. Two of the five samples (DC 25 and DC 06) are pumice clasts from cross-bedded pyroclastic surge deposits collected in river valleys near Guillet (15°36′28.7″N 61°27′50.1″W) and on the road to Carib Point (15°37′57.6″N 61°25′27.5″W), respectively. The deposits at Guillet are those shown in Fig. 31 of Smith et al. (2013) who ascribe them to the proto-Morne aux Diables stratovolcano. The characteristics of the deposits at both locations suggest that they represent the same eruptive event. In contrast, DC08 and DC139 are vesiculated pyroclasts from block-and-ash pyroclastic density currents at Guillet (15°36′19.8″N 61°27′43.4″W) and Penneville (15°37′16.9″N 61°24′59.3″W), respectively, associated with collapse of Morne aux Diable domes. The block-and-ash pyroclastic density current at Guillet has been radiocarbon dated at 43.7 ± 1.6 kyr by Smith et al. (2013). Finally, DC02 is a quenched microgranular enclave from a block-and-ash pyroclastic density current near East Cabrits (15°35′03.2″N 61°28′09.8″W), a dome associated with the western flanks of the proto- Morne aux Diables stratovolcano.

Samples DC06, 08, 25 and 139 are silicic andesites (see SI1) containing phenocrysts of orthopyroxene, clinopyroxene and zoned plagioclase. DC08 also contains sparse amphibole phenocrysts with very thin reaction rims. DC06 and DC08 contain rare quartz. Andesite enclave DC02 consists of phenocrysts and glomerocrysts of orthopyroxene, clinopyroxene, plagioclase and Fe–Ti oxides set in a fine-grained matrix. Thermometry (Ghiorso and Evans 2008) of touching ilmenite-magnetite phenocrysts rims from DC02 yields 843–851 °C and NNO + 0.45 log units. Touching oxide pairs in glomerocrysts yield consistently higher temperatures (882–963 °C) at similar *f*O₂ (NNO + 0.30 to 0.35). These higher temperatures may reflect magmatic conditions in the andesite magma prior to mixing with the host magma.

Plat Pays Volcanic Complex

A selection of mafic samples from Dominica was collected (see SI2). We focus on scoriaceous deposits, possibly originating from Plat Pays Volcanic Complex, that represent the potential basic endmember composition of Dominica's magmas (hereafter referred as the mafic samples). We studied two decimetre-thick scoria fallout deposits at Fond Baron Estate (15°16′26″N, 61°21′31″W) and La Sorcière-Soufrière (15°14′01″N, 61°21′46″W). Both sites display similar

Fig. 2 SEM/optical images of MIs in Opx, Cpx and Fd. **a** Orthopyroxene from Layout (SEM); **b** Orthopyroxene from Roseau (SEM); **c** Plagioclase from Grand Fond (SEM); **d** Plagioclase from Layout

(SEM); **e** Orthopyroxene from DC25 sample from Morne aux Diabls (reflected light); **f** Clinopyroxene from DC139 sample from Morne aux Diabls (reflected light)

Fig. 3 Compositions of melt inclusions compared to whole rocks (LeBas et al. 1986). **a** TAS diagram: grey dots: scoria from Plat Pays Volcanic Complex (see Supplementary Material SII); blue squares: whole rock from Morne Diablotins—Morne Trois Pitons-Micotrin (Boudon et al. 2017); purple squares: whole rocks from Plat

Pays Volcanic Complex (Gurenko et al. 2005). Grey circles: Morne aux Diabls whole rock; data with black cross within grey circle correspond to whole rocks from which host minerals of MIs were extracted. **b** Details of MI compositions. See diagram for legend. Matrix glasses are shown for comparison

characteristics. Scoria clasts, up to a few cm in diameter, are basaltic with low phenocryst content (mainly plagioclase). Only whole rock chemistry of these samples is reported here.

Samples: melt inclusion host and preparation

Morne Diablotins and Morne Trois Pitons-Micotrin

For each eruption from Morne Diablotins and Morne Trois Pitons-Micotrin, the density distribution of the first eruptive unit for each Plinian fallout deposit was obtained from a population of at least 100 pumice clasts identified and sieved at 16–32 mm. Depending on the density distribution, six to ten pumice clasts were collected from the density mode (Gaussian distribution) to ensure that the pumice clasts are representative. Clasts were gently

crushed to powder, then sieved in different size fractions, the largest of which (0.315–0.500 mm, 0.500–0.750 mm and 0.750–1 mm) were recovered for crystal handpicking under a binocular microscope. Orthopyroxene (Opx) and plagioclase (Pl) crystals from each eruption of Morne Diablotins and Morne Trois Pitons-Micotrin were then mounted in epoxy resin and polished to 0.3 µm.

Morne aux Diabls

Clasts were lightly crushed and handpicked for phenocrysts. Separated orthopyroxene (Opx), clinopyroxene (Cpx), plagioclase (Pl) crystals were mounted in epoxy resin and polished to 0.3 µm.

Results

Melt inclusion host minerals

A total of 113 melt inclusions were analysed across all three volcanic centers Morne Diablotins and Morne Trois Pitons-Micotrin (43) and Morne aux Diables (70) (Table 1). Details of host mineral compositions are provided in SI4.

Morne Diablotins and Morne Trois Pitons-Micotrin

Opx and Pl phenocrysts from Layou, Roseau and Grand Fond were mounted separately. As Pl-hosted melt inclusions were consistently scarcer and smaller, we obtained more numerous data for Opx than Pl. Opx and Pl composition ranges between En_{49-56} ($n=7$) and An_{52-53} ($n=3$) (Layou), En_{50-53} ($n=13$) and An_{46-60} ($n=6$) (Roseau), and En_{52-55} ($n=6$) and An_{49-59} ($n=6$) (Grand Fond). In Opx, MI are ubiquitous from core to rim with sizes from a few μm up to more than $50 \mu\text{m}$ (Fig. 2a, b). Analyzed MI were glassy with no evidence of rim crystallization in SEM images. In plagioclase, scarce MI are smaller than $40 \mu\text{m}$. In strongly zoned plagioclase MIs form a sieve-texture ring of numerous small inclusions parallel to the zoning (Fig. 2c), whereas in unzoned plagioclase they have a random distribution (Fig. 2d). These textural characteristics are similar in all three eruptions.

Morne aux Diables

Opx, Pl and Cpx were mounted separately (Fig. 2e, f). Host mineral composition are as follows: DC25 Opx— En_{49-54} ($n=10$), Pl— An_{55-74} ($n=5$) and Cpx— Wo_{41-42} ($n=11$); DC06 En_{58-62} ($n=6$) and An_{60-87} ($n=4$); DC08 En_{53-57} ($n=4$) and An_{55-73} ($n=7$); DC139 En_{54-62} ($n=12$), An_{66-79} ($n=3$) and Wo_{41-43} ($n=3$); DC02 An_{55-89} ($n=4$) and Wo_{43} ($n=2$).

Melt inclusion glass compositions

Major elements

Melt inclusions from the three studied Morne Diablotins and Morne Trois Pitons-Micotrin eruptions are rhyolitic in composition regardless of their host crystal (TAS classification, Fig. 3a, b), with variations in $\text{Na}_2\text{O} + \text{K}_2\text{O}$ from 4.9 to 6.5 wt% (anhydrous) and SiO_2 content of 75.6–79 wt% for Opx, and variations in $\text{Na}_2\text{O} + \text{K}_2\text{O}$ of 5.0–5.6 wt% for a SiO_2 range of 76.1 to 78.2 wt% for Pl. MIs plot in the calc-alkaline field, as defined by the SiO_2 vs. K_2O content (Fig. 4a), with Al_2O_3 contents between 11 and 15 wt%

(Fig. 4b) and low CaO content, between 1 and 2.5 wt% (Fig. 4c). There is no textural evidence for post-entrapment crystallization of the host mineral (Fig. 2). Pl- and Opx-hosted MI evidence some differences in composition for certain elements, i.e. Opx-hosted MI tend to be richer in Fe and Mg than those hosted in Pl (Fig. 4d).

Melt inclusions from Morne aux Diables are almost all rhyolitic, although some lie at the border with dacite (Fig. 3a). They describe a differentiation trend spanning a large SiO_2 range between 70 and 79.5 wt% (Figs. 3b, 4). The trend is clear for CaO, FeO, K_2O or Al_2O_3 (Fig. 4). The Morne Diablotins and Morne Trois Pitons-Micotrin MIs described above lie at the most differentiated end of this trend (Fig. 4).

Trace elements

Trace elements analyses of MIs from the Morne Diablotins and Morne Trois Pitons-Micotrin volcanic centers are discussed by element groups for each eruption (Fig. 5) and compared to whole rock compositions for Morne Diablotins, Morne Trois Pitons-Micotrin and Morne aux Diables.

1. High Field Strength Elements (HFSE: U, Th): There is a strong positive correlation between the HFSE for MIs, whole rock, matrix glass, mafic samples and crystals as shown by U–Th (Fig. 5a). All eruptions describe the same linear correlation passing through the origin, independent of the MI host. However Grand Fond tends to sit at the lower end of this correlation ($\text{Th}=8.3\text{--}10.6 \text{ ppm}$) with respect to Roseau and Layou, which display the most differentiated melt ($\text{Th}=8\text{--}12.7$ and $9.9\text{--}11.7 \text{ ppm}$, respectively). Compared to whole rock compositions of Morne Diablotins, Morne Trois Pitons-Micotrin and Morne aux Diables, MIs lie at the silica-rich end of this differentiation trend, which is common to all three eruptive centers. A striking feature of this plot is the tendency of MIs to be more differentiated in terms of trace elements (higher U, Th) than the matrix glasses, although the major element chemistry is quite similar (Fig. 4). The same feature has been observed previously at a number of volcanoes, e.g. Ruapehu, New Zealand (Kilgour et al. 2013) or Uturuncu, Bolivia (Muir et al. 2014), where it is attributed to protracted crystallization within a crystal mush prior to eruption.
2. Large Ion Lithophile Elements (LILE) Rb, K, Sr and Ba: The Sr– K_2O plot (Fig. 5b) illustrates the compatible behavior of Sr, consistent with Pl-dominated fractionation. Conversely, Ba–Th (Fig. 5c) shows a good correlation, albeit with slight differences between Opx and Pl MI composition, reflecting a lack of biotite and alkali feldspars in the crystallizing assemblage in any significant proportion. Once again, all eruptions, including

Table 1 Melt inclusion compositions of major and selected trace elements and volatiles

Sample	Comment	SiO ₂	TiO ₂	Al ₂ O ₃	FeO	MnO	MgO	CaO	Na ₂ O	K ₂ O	P ₂ O ₅	Total	H ₂ O (wt%)	sd (%)	CO ₂ (ppm)	sd (ppm)	F (ppm)	Cl (ppm)	Br (ppm)	SO ₂ (ppm)	
Layout— Opx	P17	L1c4-MI1	71.87	0.17	11.70	1.70	0.04	0.19	1.87	1.04	2.40	0.07	91.05	7.11	0.31	392	27	158	2197	11	90
		L1c4-MI2	72.53	0.18	12.27	2.06	0.05	0.19	1.88	0.71	2.29	0.02	92.17	6.71	0.35	840	26	322	2232	11	86
		L1c4-MI3	72.50	0.15	12.16	1.93	0.02	0.18	1.88	0.16	1.07	0.01	90.05	6.57	0.27	356	26	137	2299	11	106
		L5c5-MI1	70.42	0.29	12.37	1.74	0.13	0.23	1.87	0.55	2.12	0.02	89.74	7.43	0.29	217	28	bdl	2426	6	59
		L5c5-MI2	71.23	0.11	11.73	1.81	0.06	0.17	1.62	1.58	2.34	0.05	90.71	7.63	0.21	121	7	243	2269	10	93
		L5c11-MI1	70.78	0.06	11.67	2.00	0.09	0.14	1.54	1.52	2.44	0.00	90.26	7.07	0.27	121	42	bdl	2344	11	bdl
		L5c11-MI2	71.70	0.09	11.42	2.23	0.03	0.13	1.48	0.88	2.65	0.04	90.65	7.46	0.18	43	9	bdl	2353	12	bdl
Roseau— Opx	RP1	L1c3-MI1(1)	72.10	0.07	11.57	1.91	0.08	0.20	1.39	2.07	2.86	0.04	92.28	6.41	0.16	61	8	302	2504	12	57
		L1c3-MI2	72.39	0.06	11.49	2.23	0.14	0.19	1.43	1.69	2.54	0.03	92.21	6.18	0.38	89	10	212	2432	15	77
		L2c6-MI1	72.13	0.07	11.02	1.80	0.12	0.17	1.46	1.86	2.57	0.00	91.21	5.49	0.38	300	21	312	2187	13	86
		L3c3-MI1	70.90	0.19	11.67	2.05	0.15	0.15	1.44	1.39	2.84	0.03	90.81	6.10	0.13	147	8	325	2535	15	77
		L3c3-MI2	72.55	0.10	11.97	1.57	0.03	0.19	1.51	1.35	2.47	0.02	91.76	7.53	0.10	118	18	bdl	2217	13	108
		L4c4-MI1	71.71	0.21	12.13	2.51	0.13	0.22	1.70	0.97	2.81	0.03	92.42	6.15	0.24	146	10	bdl	2549	14	6
		L4c6-MI1	72.23	0.11	11.81	2.22	0.12	0.19	1.70	2.36	2.44	0.08	93.26	6.03	0.17	123	15	247	1804	15	bdl
SAN3		L4c6-MI2	71.64	0.14	12.04	2.09	0.06	0.22	1.68	2.31	2.56	0.05	92.77	6.11	0.45	65	9	bdl	1779	n.d.	bdl
		L4c7-MI1(1)	71.60	0.06	11.90	1.63	0.05	0.16	1.55	1.20	2.35	0.04	90.52	5.91	0.12	168	8	200	2268	n.d.	138
		L4c7-MI2	73.91	0.20	10.84	1.83	0.09	0.16	1.26	1.05	2.89	0.02	92.25	5.09	0.13	68	9	bdl	1997	n.d.	60
		L4c9-MI1	72.87	0.10	11.55	2.17	0.06	0.20	1.45	0.59	2.25	0.04	91.28	7.30	0.13	178	16	317	2363	n.d.	68
		L2c5-MI1	70.88	0.14	11.93	2.10	0.05	0.20	1.58	1.20	2.45	0.01	90.55	6.38	0.35	254	9	338	2506	n.d.	109
		L2c5-MI2	71.84	0.12	11.22	1.92	0.03	0.23	1.58	0.94	2.37	0.03	90.28	5.89	0.33	92	10	423	2422	n.d.	80
		L1c7-MI1	71.94	0.16	11.41	1.91	0.11	0.23	1.58	0.96	2.52	0.06	90.88	6.92	0.38	198	12	557	2755	n.d.	102
Grand Fond— Opx		L1c7-MI2	70.99	0.09	11.90	2.31	0.07	0.16	1.75	0.60	2.16	0.00	90.03	6.72	0.39	149	9	294	2220	n.d.	105
		L1c7-MI3	70.52	0.20	11.60	2.26	0.12	0.15	1.70	0.68	2.42	0.00	89.65	6.52	0.37			135	3137	n.d.	90
	SAN3	L3c2-RL1	71.88	0.13	11.84	2.14	0.00	0.27	1.72	0.60	2.08	0.02	90.67	5.64	0.38	253	17	329	2408	n.d.	112
		L3c2-RL2	71.19	0.24	11.86	1.90	0.11	0.23	1.65	0.61	2.21	0.03	90.03	6.29	0.38	387	15	173	2412	n.d.	77
		L2c1-RL1	71.14	0.20	11.60	2.32	0.12	0.23	1.79	1.14	2.23	0.07	90.82	4.66	0.37	209	18	373	2307	11	93
		L2c1-RL2	70.32	0.15	11.45	2.53	0.12	0.24	1.67	1.90	2.48	0.02	90.88	4.47	0.39	296	11	301	2483	9	82
		L1c8-RL1	69.52	0.21	12.16	2.34	0.04	0.26	1.85	1.75	2.78	0.02	90.93	5.76	0.33	252	40	373	2595	15	128
Layout— Pl		L1c8-RL2	68.89	0.24	11.84	2.26	0.03	0.28	1.69	0.72	2.13	0.04	88.14	6.17	0.50	4012	487	238	2475	12	126
	P8	L5C1	70.78	0.14	11.76	1.42	0.08	0.23	1.46	1.81	2.76	0.02	90.46	6.5		82		219	2242	n.d.	bdl
		L6C4	70.90	0.24	11.70	1.32	0.04	0.19	1.57	2.22	2.99	0.10	91.28	6.3		3334		215	2238	n.d.	bdl
		L7C1	72.73	0.20	11.38	1.18	0.03	0.19	1.49	2.27	2.83	0.06	92.36	6.2		217		380	1619	n.d.	bdl

Table 1 (continued)

Sample	Comment	SiO ₂	TiO ₂	Al ₂ O ₃	FeO	MnO	MgO	CaO	Na ₂ O	K ₂ O	P ₂ O ₅	Total	H ₂ O (wt%)	sd (%)	CO ₂ (ppm)	sd (ppm)	F (ppm)	Cl (ppm)	Br (ppm)	SO ₂ (ppm)
Roseau— Pl	RP10	L1C8	71.66	0.10	12.14	1.08	0.06	0.19	1.44	2.53	3.21		92.40	5.6	188		418	1959	n.d.	bdl
		L4C4	73.48	0.10	11.09	1.02	0.12	0.15	1.34	2.48	2.72		92.50	5.8	137		122	1525	n.d.	bdl
		L5C4	73.00	0.16	11.48	1.29	0.00	0.15	1.37	2.26	2.85	0.05	92.61	5.5	136		75	2048	n.d.	bdl
		L5C8	72.56	0.16	12.27	1.22	0.10	0.18	1.37	2.65	3.27	0.02	93.79	4.7	90		139	2021	n.d.	bdl
		L6C9	72.35	0.00	11.27	1.39	0.04	0.20	1.49	2.35	2.94	0.02	92.05	5.4	197		115	1925	n.d.	bdl
		L6C7	70.94	0.11	11.43	1.19	0.00	0.18	1.34	2.28	3.09	0.09	90.65	5.6	230		160	1791	n.d.	bdl
Grand Fond— Pl	SAN2	L1C9 MI1	71.42	0.25	12.15	1.52	0.03	0.24	1.72	2.12	2.75	0.06	92.26	5.6	139		224	1764	n.d.	bdl
		L1C9 MI2	72.33	0.35	12.20	1.76	0.00	0.25	1.73	2.54	2.75	0.00	93.91	n.d.	n.d.		209	2041	n.d.	bdl
		L3C11-1	72.94	0.24	11.79	1.42	0.10	0.26	1.69	2.81	2.54	0.01	93.79	5.5	147		491	1965	n.d.	bdl
		L3C11-2	72.83	0.09	12.08	1.66	0.05	0.24	1.69	2.65	2.74	0.02	94.06	5.4	439		200	1964	n.d.	bdl
		L2C3	73.03	0.20	11.93	1.58	0.09	0.21	1.74	2.60	2.67	0.05	94.10	5.7	124		440	1853	n.d.	bdl
Trace elements (ppm)																				
Sample	Comment	T (°C)	P (kbars)	XH ₂ O	Li	B	Rb	Sr	Y	Zr	Nb	Ba	La	Ce	Sm	U	Th			
Layout— Opx	P17	L1c4-MI1	830	3.1	0.91	43	66	85	116	16	108	3.8	409	13	22	2.0	9.9	3.4		
		L1c4-MI2	855	3.5	0.81	41	68	91	112	14	108	4.1	430	14	21	2.1	10.9	3.2		
		L1c4-MI3	847	2.7	0.90	40	60	83	120	18	116	4.1	432	13	22	2.5	9.9	3.2		
		L5c5-MI1	832	3.1	0.95	43	71	95	121	16	140	4.2	478	15	24	2.1	11.7	3.5		
		L5c5-MI2	835	3.0	0.97	41	65	92	110	15	114	3.8	452	14	22	1.9	10.0	3.1		
		L5c11-MI1	857	2.7	0.97	42	73	92	98	19	95	3.8	470	16	26	2.5	11.7	3.6		
Roseau— Opx		L5c11-MI2	860	2.8	0.99	41	70	104	83	19	99	3.9	464	14	22	2.6	10.0	3.2		
	RP1	L1c3-MI1(1)	846	2.2	0.98	49	81	107	86	13	81	3.9	541	16	25	2.1	12.6	4.2		
		L1c3-MI2	866	2.1	0.97	46	79	93	91	14	98	4.0	492	15	25	2.1	12.1	4.1		
		L2c6-MI1	856	2.1	0.86	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.		
		L3c3-MI1	866	2.2	0.94	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.		
		L3c3-MI2	839	2.9	0.97	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.		
	L4c4-MI1	876	2.2	0.94	43	75	108	85	21	110	4.3	489	17	28	2.8	11.2	3.5			
	L4c6-MI1	866	2.1	0.95	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.			
	L4c6-MI2	859	2.1	0.97	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.			
	L4c7-MI1(1)	841	2.2	0.93	43	68	95	100	18	136	4.4	458	14	25	2.8	10.5	3.0			
	L4c7-MI2	860	1.5	0.96	39	76	114	75	14	109	4.9	509	14	23	2.0	12.7	4.2			
	L4c9-MI1	853	2.9	0.96	49	63	98	85	12	96	3.5	483	14	22	1.7	9.6	3.0			

Table 1 (continued)

Sample	Comment	T (°C)	P (kbars)	XH ₂ O	Trace elements (ppm)													
					Li	B	Rb	Sr	Y	Zr	Nb	Ba	La	Ce	Sm	U	Th	
SAN3	L2c5-MI1	855	2.5	0.91	29	61	81	90	26	133	4.3	403	13	24	3.2	8.0	2.5	
	L2c5-MI2	853	2.0	0.96	43	64	84	89	28	140	4.1	429	14	25	3.7	8.6	2.7	
	L1c7-MI1	845	2.7	0.94	46	76	98	82	18	81	3.4	473	18	29	2.0	11.4	3.6	
	L1c7-MI2	863	2.5	0.95	46	72	96	86	15	116	2.9	437	13	20	1.4	9.4	3.1	
	L1c7-MI3	868	2.3	0.97	44	72	98	76	17	75	3.4	448	18	28	2.4	10.8	3.4	
Grand Fond— Opx	L3c2-RL1	859	2.1	0.89	42	63	86	96	29	147	4.4	430	15	26	3.8	9.3	2.8	
	L3c2-RL2	848	2.7	0.88	39	62	89	92	27	144	4.4	453	15	26	3.6	9.7	3.0	
	L2c1-RL1	879	1.6	0.85	44	58	90	98	28	151	4.8	437	15	27	4.0	10.3	3.2	
	L2c1-RL2	888	1.7	0.79	42	63	95	103	19	110	3.8	459	19	32	2.6	10.6	3.5	
	L1c8-RL1	866	2.2	0.88	42	64	86	99	24	132	4.5	473	15	27	3.3	8.4	2.9	
Layout— Pl	L1c8-RL2	860	7.5	0.44	38	60	87	97	28	138	4.5	403	13	24	3.7	8.3	2.5	
	L5C1	Not determined because of high PEC				43	90	128	93	15	118	4	602	13	24	3	14.3	4.6
	L6C4				1	75	128	99	17	125	4	587	12	22	2	11.9	4.1	
	L7C1				7	77	103	95	13	84	3	536	12	21	2	10.9	3.3	
	L1C8				43	90	130	85	14	99	3	528	11	20	2	12.9	3.9	
Roseau— Pl	L4C4				11	66	106	94	13	84	3	429	10	19	2	9.5	2.8	
	L5C4				44	81	128	86	15	125	3	532	13	23	2	11.4	3.9	
	L5C8				39	86	129	83	14	113	3	562	12	21	2	13.1	4.0	
	L6C9				18	75	119	82	14	100	3	542	11	20	2	10.4	3.3	
	L6C7				41	92	120	97	13	117	4	561	12	21	2	15.1	4.8	
Grand Fond— Pl	L1C9 MI1				35	55	98	103	27	105	3	504	12	23	3	7.0	2.4	
	L1C9 MI2				n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	
	L3C11-1				26	69	100	102	24	139	4	518	13	25	3	10.5	3.6	
	L3C11-2				30	73	97	121	16	98	3	489	12	22	2	10.3	3.1	
	L2C3				40	58	94	101	29	136	4	489	13	25	4	9.4	2.6	

Morne aux Diabes, describe on the same relationship and MIs are more evolved than matrix glasses.

3. LILE and REE vs. HFSE systematics: The Rb vs. Zr diagram (Fig. 5d) illustrates first the three correlations identified for each Morne Diablotins and Morne Trois Pitons-Micotrin eruption using whole rock and matrix glass composition (Boudon et al. 2017). MIs from Grand Fond plot in the same domain as the matrix glass. The compositional domain covered by Grand Fond MIs is less scattered than that of Layou and Roseau. These two eruptions have MI compositions that depart from the matrix glass, being Rb-rich and Zr-poor. The tendency for MIs to plot at lower Zr and at elevated Rb is indicative of zircon saturation at advanced stages of crystallization that are recorded by MIs, but not matrix glass. That zircon saturation is confined to evolved MIs, but not matrix glasses is consistent with derivation of phenocrysts from a cool magmatic mush prior to entrainment in hotter magma during eruption. The calculated zircon saturation temperatures are 743–795 °C (Watson and Harrison 1983). These temperatures are consistent with low melt-fraction, evolved melts, but are almost 100 °C lower than the calculated Opx-MI and Fe–Ti oxide temperatures presented above (852–877 °C). This temperature difference can be ascribed to heating during magma ascent and crystallization via latent heat release (Blundy et al. 2006) or entrainment of crystals from mush by a hotter carrier melt (Kilgour et al. 2014).
4. Li and B trace elements: The B–K₂O diagram (Fig. 6a) illustrates a common signature for Opx-hosted MIs from all eruptions, with Grand Fond MIs describing the lower end of this relationship and Roseau the upper end. Pl-hosted MIs show roughly the same relationship, slightly extended towards higher values of B. Boron and Li show some relationship with each other for MIs in Opx (Fig. 6b); for Pl the data are displaced to slightly higher Li over a greater range in B, but with little evidence for any relationship. The signature in Li is roughly the same for the three eruptions (43 ± 5 ppm) whatever the H₂O content (between 4.5 and 7.5 wt%; Fig. 6c), with a slight enrichment for Roseau. For some Pl-hosted MIs, the Li content decreases from 43 ± 5 ppm down to zero, without any accompanying H₂O loss. This may reflect rapid diffusive migration of Li through the host crystal.
5. Volatile components (H₂O, CO₂, F, Cl, Br, S).

Volatile contents for Morne Diablotins, Morne Trois Pitons-Micotrin and Morne aux Diabes, are presented as histograms in Fig. 7 for H₂O and CO₂ content and Fig. 8 for halogen (F, Cl, Br) and SO₂ content. Histograms distinguish between MIs hosted in different minerals.

1. *Water* H₂O contents of Morne Diablotins and Morne Trois Pitons-Micotrin MI range from 4.5 to 7.6 wt% (Fig. 7). This entire range is captured in the Opx-hosted MI. The maximum H₂O is 7.6 wt% for Layou (range 6.5–7.6 wt%), 7.5 wt% for Roseau (5.5–7.5 wt%), and 6.3 wt% for Grand Fond (4.5–6.3 wt%). The maximum H₂O of Pl-hosted MIs (Fig. 7) is slightly lower than for Px, i.e. 6.5, 5.8 and 5.7 wt% for Layou, Roseau and Grand Fond, respectively. This may reflect diffusive H₂O-loss through the host crystal or MI-trapping in Px under slightly less H₂O-rich conditions. MIs from Morne aux Diabes show the same high H₂O content of 7.6 wt%, in a Cpx-hosted MI, although the H₂O spread is larger for Cpx (1.2–7.6 wt%) than Opx. Opx display a Gaussian distribution of H₂O content but with a slightly lower maximum value (3.2–6.7 wt%). Contrary to Morne Diablotins and Morne Trois Pitons-Micotrin, Pl-hosted MIs from Morne aux Diabes exhibit comparably high H₂O content to pyroxene, with the highest value (7 wt%) lying between the maximum H₂O content in Cpx and Opx.
2. *Carbon dioxide* The majority of Morne Diablotins and Morne Trois Pitons-Micotrin CO₂ contents lie in the range 50–834 ppm. The range in Pl-hosted MI is lower than that in Opx-hosted MI, with the highest CO₂ content being 439 ppm for Grand Fond (Fig. 7). In contrast to H₂O, Grand Fond sits at the higher end of the CO₂ range. Two very high CO₂ values were measured (off-scale in Fig. 7): 3998 ppm in an Opx MI from Grand Fond, 3334 ppm in a Pl MI from Layou. Morne aux Diabes MIs in both Px and Pl show a larger range of values than for Morne Diablotins and Morne Trois Pitons-Micotrin. Two Opx-hosted MIs have 1117 and 1239 ppm, and five Cpx-hosted MIs describe a restrictive domain between 1134 and 1149 ppm. In Pl-hosted MIs, high CO₂ values are also present: 2455 ppm and 2613 ppm. CO₂ shows a broad overall inverse variation with the incompatible element Th (Fig. 9a) consistent with volatile-saturated crystallization conditions (Blundy and Cashman 2008).

Some MIs from Morne Diablotins and Morne Trois Pitons-Micotrin and from Morne aux Diabes show high CO₂ content (≤ 4000 ppm). Such high values could result from contamination, although the ¹²C+ signal was stable during SIMS analysis, which is consistent with high intrinsic CO₂ contents rather than any surficial carbon-rich contamination. Similarly CO₂-rich melt inclusions have been described from other silicic arc volcanoes (e.g. Blundy et al. 2010) and have been attributed to fluxing of melts with magmatic CO₂-rich fluids by Caricchi et al. (2018). For these reasons, we include the high-CO₂ Dominica MIs in our discussion.

Fig. 4 Selected major element composition of melt inclusions. All data are plotted volatile-free, summed to 100%. **a** K_2O , **b** Al_2O_3 , **c** CaO , and **d** FeO . Whole rocks (WR) and matrix glasses (MG) from Boudon et al. (2017). Symbols as in Fig. 3

3. Halogens: Fluorine in Morne Diablotins and Morne Trois Pitons-Micotrin MIs ranges between 100 and 600 ppm (Fig. 8). Roseau shows a maximum distribution between 150 and 600 ppm. Grand Fond MIs show roughly the same range, whereas those from Layou are shifted towards the F-poor endmember. Like CO_2 F shows a negative variation with Th (Fig. 10a), suggestive of partitioning into the fluid phase during crystallisation. Morne aux Diaboles MIs display the highest F content endmember, with Opx-hosted MI reaching 677 ppm and Pl-hosted MI 798 ppm.

Chlorine contents in Morne Diablotins and Morne Trois Pitons-Micotrin range from 1800 to 3140 ppm. The Cl range within Opx-hosted MI is generally greater than in Pl (Fig. 8). For Opx-MI from each eruption, Cl values fall within a restricted range over a significant range in Th content, with 2303 ± 78 ppm for Layou, 2355 ± 340 ppm for Roseau and 2446 ± 96 ppm for Grand Fond (Fig. 10b).

Morne aux Diaboles MIs span a domain with higher Cl values than for Morne Diablotins and Morne Trois Pitons-Micotrin: the peak of Cl within the Gaussian distribution is shifted toward values of ~ 3000 ppm. Pl-hosted MI show the highest Cl content, up to 4428 ppm. These Cl contents lie at the high end of the values for silicic melts reported by Webster et al. (2018) in their global compilation. Chlorine and fluorine contents are well correlated for the entire dataset (Fig. 10e), although the greater range for F, compared to Cl, suggests that Cl is more strongly partitioned into the fluid phase during crystallisation.

The plot of Cl vs. H_2O (Fig. 11) shows that for Morne Diablotins and Morne Trois Pitons-Micotrin the compositions of Opx-hosted MIs contain variable H_2O contents (7.6–4.4 wt%) over a restricted range of Cl content (2374 ± 260 ppm). Some Pl-hosted MIs depart from this domain with lower Cl content (1600–2000 ppm) and H_2O contents around 6 wt%. The composition of Morne aux

Fig. 5 Selected trace element composition of melt inclusions compared to whole rocks and matrix glasses. **a** U vs. Th. **b** Sr vs. K₂O. **c** Ba vs. Th. **d** Rb vs. Zr. Whole rocks (WR—solid domain) and matrix glasses (MG—dashed domain) from Boudon et al. (2017). Symbols as in Fig. 3

Fig. 6 Light trace element contents of melt inclusions. **a** B vs. K₂O. **b** B vs. Li. **c** Li vs. H₂O. Symbols as in Fig. 3

◀**Fig. 7** Frequency histograms of CO₂ and H₂O contents of the melt inclusions. Morne Diablotins–Morne Trois Pitons–Micotrin is separated from Morne aux Diabls for clarity. Host-mineral is specified. Morne aux Diabls: opx: grey domain; cpx: dark grey vertical line

Diabls MIs describes the same trend, although some Pl-hosted MIs depart from this trend being Cl-rich and H₂O-poor.

Bromine data were acquired only for Opx-hosted MIs from Layou, Roseau and Grand Fond (Fig. 8). They display contrasted Br contents with a clearly distinct domain for Roseau (13–16 ppm) compared to lower values for Layou (7–13 ppm) and intermediate values for Grand Fond (10–15 ppm). There is no clear relationship between Br and Th (Fig. 10c). There is a wide range in Br at almost constant Cl (Fig. 10f). Like Cl, the Br concentrations lie at the high end of the global range in silicic magmas reported by Webster et al. (2018).

4. **Sulfur** Sulfur content of 160 ± 20 ppm has been measured in a few Opx-hosted MI from Morne Diablotins and Morne Trois Pitons–Micotrin (Fig. 8) Sulfur in Morne aux Diabls MIs has been more extensively investigated. MIs exhibit higher values, up to 569 ppm in Opx-hosted MIs (with one value at 1015 ppm; off-scale in Fig. 9), 360 ppm for Cpx-hosted MIs and 300 ppm in Pl-hosted MIs (Fig. 9). Sulfur is inversely correlated with Th (Fig. 10d). The low S contents of the melts are consistent with sulfide saturation in silicic melts at pressures of 1–2 kbar and temperatures of 850–900 °C (Carroll and Rutherford 1987). However, daughter sulfide minerals were not identified in any of the MI studied.

Bulk scoria fallout composition

The studied mafic samples collected from the southwestern coast of Dominica are basaltic in bulk composition (TAS classification, Fig. 3a), with SiO₂ between 49 and 51 wt% and Na₂O + K₂O between 2.5 and 4.5 wt%. Their bulk trace element signature describes the same linear trend in U–Th space as the more differentiated products (U = 0.3–0.4 ppm, Th = 1–1.4 ppm) (Fig. 5a). The mafic samples are homogeneous composition in Rb, Zr, and even Ba (Fig. 5b–d).

Discussion

We first discuss the major and trace element MI compositions, then the volatile contents. Plat Pays Volcanic Complex MIs, using data from Gurenko et al. (2005) are included in the discussion at the scale of Dominica, in terms of a comparison of pre-eruptive conditions of magma storage and ascent.

MI composition in equilibrium: test through K_d determination

Although MIs provide valuable information concerning the pre-eruptive melt volatile contents, they are prone to post-entrapment modification such as post-entrapment crystallization (PEC), involving growth of the host crystal or daughter crystals, or leakage and decrepitation, diffusion of volatile species through the host crystals (or exchange between host and melt) or partitioning of volatile species into shrinkage bubbles. These potential problems need to be evaluated where possible (Wallace 2005; Esposito et al. 2014).

As we have avoided MIs with bubbles, that may contain significant exsolved CO₂, we will confine our discussion of post-entrapment modification to tests of equilibrium between MI (Table 1) and their host crystal (SI4 and SI5). For this exercise we use the exchange coefficient $K_D(\text{Fe–Mg})_{\text{Opx-liq}} = 0.23 \pm 0.02$ for Opx and $K_D(\text{An–Ab})_{\text{Pl-liq}} = 2.46 \pm 0.09$ for Pl (Solaro–Müller 2017). These exchange coefficients are taken from Opx–melt and Pl–melt compositions of phase equilibria experiments conducted on Layou and Roseau dacites, between 1.5 and 4 kbars and 800–900 °C (Solaro–Müller 2017; Solaro et al. in revision). The experimental $K_D(\text{Fe–Mg})_{\text{Opx-liq}}$ from these experiments (0.23 ± 0.02) is slightly lower than that proposed by Putirka (2008) at 0.29 ± 0.06 . Considering that his value decreases slightly with increased silica content we calculate, following Putirka's (2008) proposed influence of SiO₂, a $K_D(\text{Fe–Mg})_{\text{Opx-liq}}$ value for Dominica magmas of 0.19–0.20, slightly closer to our experimental value. As the value of 0.23 is based on experiments performed on the actual magma compositions studied here, it is preferred to test equilibrium of MI. Using $K_D(\text{Fe–Mg})_{\text{Opx-liq}} = 0.23$ we calculate that Opx–MI show only minor evidence of PEC at 1–2%. The experimentally-determined $K_D(\text{An–Ab})_{\text{Pl-liq}}$ of 2.46 ± 0.09 for Pl in the T, P and composition range studied experimentally by Solaro–Müller (2017), was used to constrain post-entrapment evolution of MIs. Contrary to Opx, Pl-hosted MIs exhibit PEC between 0 and 19%. Only Pl-hosted MIs showing PEC below 8% have been selected for plotting and discussion. Note that the amounts of calculated PEC for both Opx- and Pl-hosted inclusions has little bearing on the measured volatile contents, being limited to major elements in both Opx and Pl.

Volatile content and behavior: implications for pre-eruptive magma storage

Melt inclusions reveal high volatile contents, in particular H₂O, for the pre-eruptive magma storage reservoir in central and northern Dominica. Frequency histograms highlight that some MI in Opx have H₂O content up to 7.6 and 7.5 wt% for Layou and Roseau, respectively, similar to Morne aux

◀**Fig. 8** Frequency histograms of halogen (F, Cl, Br) and SO₂ contents of melt inclusions. Morne Diablotins–Morne Trois Pitons–Micotrin is separated from Morne aux Diaboles for clarity. Host-mineral is specified. Morne aux Diaboles: opx: grey domain; cpx: dark grey vertical line

Diaboles with 7.6 wt%, whereas Grand Fond show lower maximum H₂O content (6.3 wt%). Layou consistently exhibits higher H₂O content MIs than Roseau, with 70% of the MIs containing more than 7 wt%. As MIs with H₂O content higher than 7 wt% are rarely reported, our data place the central Dominica magmas amongst the wettest in the world, comparable, for example, to dacites from Pinatubo, Philippines (Wallace 2005). Edmonds et al. (2016) have proposed similarly H₂O-rich andesite magmas (≤ 9.4 wt%) for Soufriere Hills Volcano, Montserrat, on the indirect basis of the H content of orthopyroxene phenocryst cores. On this basis, they invoke magma storage at depths of 5–16 km beneath Montserrat. For comparison, Laumonier et al. (2017) suggest, on the basis of electrical conductivity and experimental phase relations, that andesitic partial melt in the Altiplano-Puna Magma Body ~ 15 km beneath the Bolivian Altiplano contains 8–10 wt% H₂O.

Melt inclusion pressure of entrapment

MI volatile contents may be converted into minimum pressures of entrapment using joint H₂O–CO₂ solubility models (Fig. 9b), providing that melts are volatile-saturated at the time of entrapment as demonstrated for Morne Diablotins and Morne Trois Pitons–Micotrin MIs by a negative correlation between CO₂ and Th (Fig. 9a; Blundy and Cashman 2008).

H₂O–CO₂ content

Various solubility models using mixed H₂O–CO₂ fluids have been developed, including Tamic et al. (2001), Newman and Lowenstern (2002), Papale et al. (2006) and Ghiorso and Gualda (2015). The two latest models are calibrated on published experimental data on H₂O and CO₂ solubility as well as mixed fluids. “Magmasat” (Ghiorso and Gualda 2015) is used here to calculate saturation pressure and volatile compositions for all volcanic centers. As Magmasat is a compositionally-sensitive solubility model, it is not straightforward to calculate isobars in CO₂–H₂O space for MIs that span a range of compositions. For this purpose we have used the generic “VolatileCalc” rhyolite solubility model of Newman and Lowenstern (2002) to show representative isobars in Fig. 9b. For individual MIs we performed Magmasat calculations using the measured major element composition, an assumed fO_2 of NNO to determine ferric-ferrous ratios and at temperatures calculated from mineral-melt thermometry.

Where this was not possible we used an estimated temperature of 890 °C.

Considering the entire MI dataset, magmas erupted during Dominica’s large pumiceous eruptions (Morne Diablotins and Morne Trois Pitons–Micotrin) equilibrated at pressures of 1.5 to 7.5 kbar. This corresponds to a depth range of 5–27 km, supposing lithostatic pressure and a crustal density of 2800 kg/m³ (Fig. 9c). Similarly, for Morne aux Diaboles, with the exception of a single ruptured inclusion (0.09 kbar), magmas originated from 0.8 to 5.8 kbar (3–21 km depth). The maximum depths lie close to the crustal thickness (28 km) beneath northern Dominica as determined by the seismic experiment of Kopp et al. (2011). This deep origin for silicic magmas is compatible with the transcrustal magmatic system proposed by Blundy and Cashman (2008) and Cashman et al. (2017) and the mush model inferred for sub-volcanic magma storage (Solaro-Müller 2017; Bachmann and Huber 2016). Cumulate troctolite and gabbro-norite xenoliths from Dominica, described by Ziberna et al. (2017), record equilibration conditions of 1.9 ± 0.9 to 3.6 ± 0.8 kbar (7 ± 4 to 13 ± 3 km depth), again consistent with magma storage and differentiation over a wide range of crustal depths.

Fluid compositions, expressed as X_{H_2O} = molar H₂O/(H₂O + CO₂), calculated using Magmasat are in the range 0.7–1.0 for the majority of MIs with trapping pressures of 1–3 kbar (Fig. 9c). However, the highest pressure MIs show a trend to lower X_{H_2O} , consistent with decompression-driven degassing, accompanied by crystallization, that serves to increase X_{H_2O} as degassing proceeds (Blundy and Cashman 2008). Kilgour et al. (2013) observed a similar X_{H_2O} –P variation for melt inclusions from Ruapehu. There are also some lower pressure Dominica MIs with $X_{H_2O} < 0.7$ (Fig. 9c). This behavior is reminiscent of fluxing of shallower-stored magmas with deep-derived CO₂-rich fluids, as proposed for a number of arc volcanoes (e.g. Blundy et al. 2010; Caricchi et al. 2018). Fluxing of shallow magmas with deep-derived fluids is consistent with a vertically extensive system of fluid-rich magmas in which melt and fluid movement can become decoupled (e.g. Christopher et al. 2015).

Systematic variations between different volcanic centers can be used to evaluate spatial and temporal variations in magma storage conditions. For Layou, magma storage pressures are the greatest of the three large pumiceous eruptions from central Dominica, with a range of values between 2.5 and 3.5 kbar (9–13 km), with most Opx values between 3.0 and 3.5 kbar. Roseau Opx MIs span a large, rather continuous, domain of pressure between 2.0 and 3.0 kbar (7–11 km), with a single value at 1.5 kbar. Grand Fond Opx MIs describe a narrower domain of pressure, the shallowest of the three eruptions, between 1.6 and 2.7 kbar (6–10 km). However, a single Grand Fond MI records the highest pressure (7.5 kbar), suggestive of some entrainment of host

Fig. 9 H₂O–CO₂ behaviour. **a** CO₂ vs. H₂O variations with generic 850 °C rhyolite isobars from VolatileCalc for reference. **b** CO₂ vs. Th relationship. **c** Calculated XH₂O of coexisting fluid vs. trapping pressure (kbar) as calculated for individual melt inclusions. Symbols as in Fig. 3

crystals from the Dominica lower crust. For the three eruptions, MIs in Pl from Roseau and Layou correspond to lower calculated pressures compared to MIs in Opx. We may thus infer that the likely depth range for the magma feeding to the Roseau and Grand Fond eruptions from the Morne Trois Pitons–Micotrin center is 6–11 km, and slightly deeper for the Morne Diablotins -derived Layou eruption (9–13 km). This general pressure range agrees with phase equilibria experiments conducted on the same sample set that suggests equilibration at 3.0–3.5 kbar (Solaro-Müller 2017, in revision). For Morne aux Diables, the bulk of the MI correspond to the same pressure and depth domain (0.8–4 kbar, 3–15 km) as for Morne Diablotins and Morne Trois Pitons–Micotrin, but with a few Pl-hosted MI recording pressures up to 5.7 kbar (Fig. 8c), again suggestive of some deeper silicic melt generation and extraction.

Halogen signature

The entrapment pressure recorded by MI may be also extracted from H₂O–Cl solubility relations (Webster et al. 1999; Fig. 11). Experimental determinations of Cl solubility show that H₂O and Cl content may be used together as a geobarometer for magmas of rhyolitic composition (Webster et al. 1999). Chlorine contents of Dominica MIs show a wide range of values (Figs. 8, 11), regardless of the eruption, but with the highest content for Morne aux Diables and the lowest content Morne Diablotins and Morne Trois Pitons–Micotrin. For Morne Diablotins and Morne Trois Pitons–Micotrin the values of MI in Pl correspond to lower pressure, close to 2 kbar, whereas Opx-hosted MI indicate higher pressure. For Morne aux Diables most of the MIs in Opx indicate a pressure roughly equivalent to that obtained for the MIs in Opx for Morne Diablotins and Morne Trois Pitons–Micotrin. Based on the experimental data of Webster (1997), these MIs are consistent with pressures above 2 kbars; however, Cl contents of melts afford significantly lower precision pressure estimates than those obtained by H₂O–CO₂ solubility models.

For Morne Diablotins and Morne Trois Pitons–Micotrin the matrix glass composition has a mean Cl content of 2380 ± 200 ppm (Boudon et al. 2017) similar to MI values (Fig. 11). Chlorine behavior is generally related to H₂O through the partition coefficient of Cl into the H₂O-rich vapor phase (Kilinc and Burnham 1972; Webster and Holloway 1988). But here, given the similar values between MI and the matrix glass, degassing processes at shallow depth

Fig. 10 Halogen and sulfur behaviour. **a** F vs. Th; **b** Cl vs. Th; **c** Br vs. Th; **d** S vs. Th; **e** Cl vs. F; **f** Cl vs. Br

during magma ascent do not appear to be the dominant processes controlling the Cl content of magmas (Fig. 11). The different Cl signature between the different volcanic centers is likely to be inherited from magma source at depth without significant modification by degassing processes

(Balcone-Boissard et al. 2010): the parental magmas to Morne aux Diabls, Morne Diablotins and Morne Trois Pitons-Micotrin eruptions have different initial Cl content. All MIs, regardless of provenance, describe the same Cl/F correlation (8.3 ± 2.7), indicating that the magma source

Fig. 11 H₂O vs. Cl variation. Purple dashed lines denotes Plat Pays Volcanic Complex MI composition for Opx and Pl from Gurenko et al. (2005). The 2 kbar isobar is from Webster (1997). Symbols as in Fig. 3. Dashed brown lines give the weight percentage of NaCl in aqueous fluids required to produce the observed Cl/H₂O ratios

at depth is similar (Fig. 10e). The Cl–Br diagram shows large variations in Br content with respect to Cl that remains roughly constant (Fig. 10f). The large range of Br/Cl ratio may be linked to variable assimilation rate of seawater-derived brines.

Comparison with other volcanic system from Dominica and the Lesser Antilles arc

Here, we review the information on magma plumbing system architecture and dynamics within Dominica and the wider Lesser Antilles arc, looking at the volatile content of melts as well as insights from experimental petrology.

Dominica:

Plat Pays Volcanic Complex (PPVC)

Magma storage pressures can only be discussed using Cl–H₂O data for the dacites of Plat Pays Volcanic Complex in the last 40 kyrs (Gurenko et al. 2005; Fig. 8) as no CO₂ data were obtained by these authors. For Plat Pays Volcanic Complex, the total range of H₂O contents in pumice (air-fall deposits) is 2–6 wt % and, generally, MIs in Opx have higher water concentrations than those in Pl. The highest

pre-eruptive H₂O content is thus consistent with other MIs investigations that provide 5.2–6.5 wt% for pre-eruptive melt (Halama et al. 2006). The MI Cl contents in Plat Pays Volcanic Complex describe a wide range of values, between 1500 and 3500 ppm (Gurenko et al. 2005; Halama et al. 2006). Based on H₂O–Cl solubility, the dacitic magma feeding the recent volcanic activity of Plat Pays Volcanic Complex was stored at ~2 kbars (Fig. 11). This pressure is similar with those based on melt H₂O solubility (Ghiorso and Gualda 2015) suggestive of relatively low CO₂ contents.

Lesser Antilles arc

Montagne Pelée (Martinique)

The pre-eruptive conditions, either for Plinian or lava dome-forming eruption, at Montagne Pelée (Martinique) were determined experimentally by Martel et al. (1998). For pumice clasts from recent Plinian eruptions, a pressure of 2 ± 0.5 kbars (depth 6–9 km) and a H₂O melt content of 5.3–6.3 wt% (slightly below the saturation value of ~6.9 wt.% H₂O) were determined. MIs have a Cl concentration of 2100 ± 100 ppm (Villemant and Boudon 1998; Balcone-Boissard et al. 2010), which corresponds, when combined with H₂O, to the lower

end of the range for central and northern Dominica samples. In addition, the last 40,000 years of activity of the volcano highlights the presence of mafic magmas beneath Montagne Pelée, even though the most recently erupted products have andesite bulk compositions. Therefore, the magma storage zone is best viewed as a compositionally zoned igneous system, with a mafic part and an andesitic part (Pichavant et al. 2002). The crystallization of mafic magma occurs through a substantial pressure range of 4–10 kbars consistent with the upper end of the pressures recorded by Dominica MIs. Evolution toward more silicic composition is related to amphibole crystallization at low T (< 1000 °C). Plutonic xenoliths from Martinique have mineral assemblages consistent with pressures ≤ 4 kbar (Cooper et al. 2016).

Soufrière (Guadeloupe)

Magma storage conditions have also been determined by experimental petrology, specifically for the last subplinian magmatic eruption that occurred in 1530 AD (Poussineau 2005). The most likely pressure domain of the reservoir is between 1.35 and 1.7 kbars, with a maximum at 2 kbars. Recently, new data on MI in the eruptive products of the 1530 AD eruption provide a large range of H_2O content but a maximum H_2O of 5.5 wt% (Pichavant et al. 2018). A key factor in explaining the overall behaviour of La Soufrière volcano, seems to be an exceptionally high flux of mafic magma from depth, consistent with continuous chemical zonation and the predominance of the mafic component in eruption products. This observation suggests that magma accumulation at shallow depth primarily depends on processes taking place in the middle to lower part of the arc crust beneath Guadeloupe (Pichavant et al. 2018).

Soufriere Hills Volcano (Montserrat)

Based on H content of orthopyroxene phenocryst cores Edmonds et al. (2016) have proposed H_2O -rich andesite magmas (≤ 9.4 wt%), interpreted as due to a magma storage at depths of 5–16 km beneath Montserrat. The magma plumbing system beneath this volcano has also been described through the prism of the mush based on the excess of SO_2 flux interpreted as resulting from a decoupled sulfur degassing through transcrustal magmatic system. Thus, it is envisaged that Soufriere Hills Volcano is underlain by a vertically extensive large igneous mush system formed over tens of thousands of years and perhaps extending from the shallow crust (> 4 km) to the Moho (Christopher et al. 2015). Geophysical images of the crust beneath Montserrat identify a region of partial depth that extends from 5 km to at least 9 km (Paulatto et al. 2012).

St. Kitts

St. Kitts lies in the northern Lesser Antilles. A series of dacitic to rhyolitic MIs with H_2O content between 2 and 6 wt%, trapped in Opx and Pl from plutonic xenoliths yields calculated saturation pressures from 0.5 to 3.8 kbars (Melekhova et al. 2017). These conditions are corroborated by experiments that show the observed amphibole-bearing assemblages of cumulate xenoliths from St. Kitts require crystallization pressures of 1.5 to 6 kbar from parental hydrous basaltic andesite magmas (Melekhova et al. 2017). These findings were interpreted as corresponding to silicic magmas that ascended and equilibrated at shallow depths following generation from basaltic andesite parents at pressures up to 6 kbars. Thus St. Kitts magmas also testify to mid-crustal differentiation of low-MgO basalt and basaltic andesite magmas within a trans-crustal, magmatic mush system.

Magmatic processes within the reservoir

The emerging concept of a crustal magmatic reservoir is moving away from a single volume of melt (magma chamber) towards the idea of a crystal mush, comprising partial melt within a crystalline framework that can extend more or less continuously throughout a crustal column. Within this dynamic zone, magma accumulates, differentiates, and can become destabilized, leading to eruption (Christopher et al. 2015; Cashman et al. 2017). Matrix glass records the final, degassed melt that is quenched throughout the fragmentation process during eruption. Conversely, MIs represent the pre-eruptive melt at different stages of the differentiation process. Thus, comparing matrix glass and MI composition can be helpful to constrain pre-eruptive dynamics. The analyzed MIs of this study have suffered little post-entrapment crystallization, especially for Opx, and so may be used as a proxy for magma generation and ascent processes.

Comparison of matrix glass and MI from all three large pumiceous eruptions from Morne Diablotins and Morne Trois Pitons-Micotrin shows, somewhat surprisingly, that MI trapped in Opx (and Pl) are more differentiated than the matrix glass (Fig. 5a–c). This difference in composition is more clearly preserved through trace elements than major elements. Because the melts have major element compositions close to the granitic minimum (eutectic) the effects of different melt fraction are much more pronounced for incompatible trace elements than for major elements. Trace element variations, in particular in Ba–Th or Rb–Zr (Fig. 5 c, d), do not support the evolution of the matrix glass through simple decompression crystallization of the trapped melt as recorded by MIs. The behavior of Zr is consistent with zircon saturation in the MI, but not in the matrix glasses. Consequently, the MI appear to be trapped aliquots of evolved

melt formed at lower temperatures. In contrast, the higher temperatures recorded by MI-Opx and Fe–Ti oxide thermometry suggest that prior to eruption phenocrysts experienced temperatures some 100 °C higher. This temperature increase could be related to the release of latent heat of crystallization, which is of the order 2.5 °C for each percent crystallised (Blundy et al. 2006). Conversely, eruption could have been preceded by a recharge event followed by efficient mixing that produces a less differentiated matrix melt or by mixing between different parts of the same mush displaying different degrees of melt differentiation. Melt-bearing mush accumulations are highly susceptible to segregation of melt-rich layers by compaction and shear (e.g. Solano et al. 2012). Thus mixing in the mush need not necessarily involve a mafic magma, since a recharge with a hotter, slightly less evolved silicic magma may also occur and will leave little vestige of the mixed-in composition. Migrating evolved melts may entrain crystals from portions of the mush that are both cooler and more crystallized. In that case, melt inclusions in entrained crystals may record lower temperatures and melt fractions than the carrier magma. We speculate that this process may have operated on Dominica.

Supposing the extreme case of a recharge event by a basic magma (such as that represented by the Dominica scoria clasts), we can calculate mixing proportions between the scoria clasts and the MI composition (Supplementary material S11). In this way, we estimate a mixing proportion of 25% for Layou, 5% for Roseau and 40% for Grand Fond. Based on this analysis, we may infer that the mixing event is heterogeneous at depth and varies from eruption to eruption. For Layou, the Th contents encompass a large range, from 4 to 7.5 ppm (Fig. 5a). The Grand Fond eruption displays the lowest mixing proportion. Mineralogical evidence for mixing includes An-rich layers in plagioclase and En-rich rims on orthopyroxene. However, hand specimens do not show obvious evidence for mixing such as mafic inclusions or banded pumice that have been reported elsewhere (Boudon et al. 2017). Some mafic enclaves within Micotrin, Trois Pitons, Plat Pays and Grand Soufrière Hills (Howe et al. 2015) lava dome products have similar Th content to the basic scoria, suggesting mixing heterogeneity. Thus, the mixing event may have been efficient enough for explosive eruptions to erase any evidence of the two components on the hand-sample scale. On the other hand, considering the mush model, we may also infer that mixing event occurs between various rhyolitic or dacitic melts that differ slightly in composition and temperature or that the main impact of the mafic magma is heat transfer, since the small changes in overall magma chemistry and the small percentage of relatively intact enclaves do not support extensive mingling.

Our findings contrast with what is observed on Guadeloupe within the 1530 AD eruption deposits that clearly preserve a

mixing event prior to eruption through banded pumice and a wide range of composition of the eruptive products attesting to a chemically and physically heterogeneous reservoir at depth (Pichavant et al. 2018). At Montagne Pelée, there is evidence for magma mixing on a macroscopic scale via the presence of mafic enclaves (51–59 wt% SiO₂) and banded rocks in the 1902–1929 lava dome products (Fichaut et al. 1989; Gourgaud et al. 1989). On a microscopic scale, magma mixing is also evidenced by the presence of ubiquitous high-Ca plagioclase microlites, interpreted as crystallizing from a mafic melt intruding the andesitic reservoir (Martel et al. 2006).

Conclusion

This study highlights the geochemical fingerprint of magmas involved in the three large pumiceous eruptions in the central part of Dominica (Layou, Roseau and Grand Fond) and the dome-forming eruptions of Morne aux Diabes in the north. Phenocryst-hosted, silicic melt inclusions, analysed for major, trace and volatile elements, reveal that: (1) these magmas are among the most water-rich yet recorded (≤ 8 wt% H₂O); (2) magmas are stored pre-eruptively over a wide pressure within the crust (up to ~ 750 MPa); (3) deeper magmas are associated with more CO₂-rich fluids with evidence for the interaction of such fluids with shallow-stored magmas; and (4) magmatic evolution involved fractional crystallization and magma mixing or melt percolation processes within a vertically extensive magma mush that may extend to the Moho beneath Dominica. This magmatic architecture is consistent with that proposed by Smith et al. (2013). Mixing processes occurred between melts with relatively low contrast in viscosity and/or with sufficient time prior to eruption to homogenize melts, rendering mixing cryptic on Dominica, in contrast to Martinique or Guadeloupe where macroscopic evidence of mixing is preserved. The high water contents of the magmas together with the high proportion of exsolved fluids have implications for the rheology of the mush and timescales for mush reorganization. High water contents can also account for the unusually explosive nature of silicic magmatism on Dominica compared to other Lesser Antilles islands. Vertically-extensive magmatic mushes are consistent with melt inclusion and plutonic xenolith data for other silicic and intermediate eruptions in the northern Lesser Antilles and may be an important aspect of arc magmatism more widely.

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