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12 **Abstract**

13 Hazard assessment and definition of the eruptive scenarios at active volcanoes are mostly
14 based on the elaboration of a large set of information collected with different disciplines and
15 multiple analytical approaches. We discuss here how the reconstruction of the main processes
16 acting at a volcano during its life should be based on the direct knowledge of its activity and
17 products, in the view that each volcano is characterized by its own «personality». Comparison with
18 analogue volcanoes can add further important information on the expected variability of the
19 different processes, but this should never substitute specific data collection at the volcano of
20 interest. Field volcanology and petrology studies are the base for collecting large datasets on past,
21 recent and on-going activity and products. Based on these data, intensive and extensive physical
22 parameters which control the dynamics of the activity can then be derived through focused
23 physical volcanology investigations. Experimental petrology on the products of well-characterized

24 eruptions finally returns a set of additional physical and compositional parameters that heavily
25 contribute to enlarge our knowledge of the activity and evolution of a given volcano.

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27 **Introduction**

28 Volcanic activity is the result of a complex series of processes at different scales involving
29 magma dynamics in the mantle-crust system. The type of erupted products, and the style of
30 eruptive activity, are deeply controlled by the different processes of magma evolution in time and
31 space. The different stages and the modalities of magma accumulation and transfer at shallow
32 depths in the crust, heat and mass exchange with the surrounding host rocks or from the magma
33 source, and consequent magma crystallization, evolution and eventually degassing, are crucial in
34 controlling the variability of eruptive styles.

35 Understanding the main characteristics of volcanic activity in terms of style, timing, physical
36 processes and evolution is the key for developing a comprehensive, quantitative assessment of
37 volcanic hazards and for the definition of the range of expected eruptive scenarios at an active
38 volcano. In order to get this complex picture, the volcanic system should be considered in its
39 entirety as a complex system in which the processes controlling the different parts concur to
40 regulate its general behavior. For this reason, various approaches should be combined in order to
41 unravel the complex interplay among the zone of storage, the shallow plumbing system connecting
42 a volcanic system to the surface, the volcanic edifice and the variability of the deposits emplaced
43 during eruptions. The knowledge of location, internal geometry, and history of a volcanic system
44 thus represents the basis for the interpretation of the modalities of magma eruption to the surface.
45 Therefore, when dealing with these aspects, an exhaustive study of the whole volcano should be
46 initially planned, with the goal of being largely representative of the different processes which

47 regulated its history. Field studies, physical characterization and petrological investigations on
48 ongoing eruptions or on past volcanic products can be a powerful and effective tool to investigate
49 the main features of the volcanic system and its variation in time and in space (Fig. 1). These data
50 offer the frame for the interpretation of the geophysical and geochemical signals collected at
51 selected volcanic areas, during quiescent periods, episodes of unrest or eruptions. They serve to
52 define a reliable model for the interpretation of the modalities of reactivation and for the expected
53 variability of eruption styles at active volcanoes.

54 When studying the products of the past activity of a volcano, collection of data of very
55 different types (age, composition, sedimentological features of the deposits, etc.) can be generally
56 carried out at two different scales:

57 - At the scale of the whole volcano history, by collecting data on the different products
58 emplaced through time, in order to gain insights into the temporal evolution of the volcano and its
59 deep and shallow plumbing systems;

60 - At the scale of single eruptions, by looking at the products of selected events to reconstruct
61 in detail the evolution of magma reservoir(s), the processes of reactivation and the dynamics of
62 the eruption.

63 In this chapter we will discuss the different types of approach suggested for defining the
64 evolution of a volcanic system and its general eruptive behavior, using information derived from
65 field volcanology, physical characterization of eruptions and petrology studies. We will discuss
66 first the rationale for the two different scales of observations described above, and the set of field
67 studies and physical data needed to collect different sets of information. This part will be
68 preliminary to the presentation and discussion of the methods used in modern petrology aimed at
69 enlarging our knowledge of volcanic system evolution and behavior. The main objective of this

70 chapter is to illustrate how the direct knowledge of a single volcanic system is fundamental for
71 understanding its activity and evolution so as to reach a robust assessment of volcanic hazards.
72 The use of data from “analogue” volcanoes worldwide can be useful to derive a first order range
73 of expected styles of activity at a given volcano, but should never substitute specific, focussed
74 research on the volcano of interest.

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76 **Reconstructing the evolution of a volcanic system**

77 The main processes which control the life and evolution of a volcanic system are well
78 recorded in the physico-chemical features of the erupted products and in the sedimentological and
79 volcanological characteristics of its erupted products. For this reason, the study of the deposits of
80 past eruptions is a pre-requisite for gaining an in depth understanding of the internal structure of
81 the volcanic system. Eruptive history can be reconstructed through collection of a complex set of
82 information on the products of past eruptions, the time-progression of activity, and the phases of
83 morphological and structural evolution of the volcanic edifice. The basic dataset is composed by
84 geological, volcanological, geochemical and petrological data. The reconstruction of the tectonic
85 setting also allows to frame the volcanic activity in a general picture explaining its evolution with
86 time, the composition of involved magmas and the frequency and type of activity (Crisp, 1984;
87 Wilson, 2007).

88 ***Geological mapping and stratigraphic studies***

89 Geological mapping of a volcanic area gives the fundamental framework for interpreting the
90 temporal evolution of the activity and the most important changes in the structure of a volcanic
91 system (Groppelli and Viereck-Goette, 2010). This type of studies should be still considered as a
92 forefront topic, although in the past decade very few resources (both human and economic) have

93 been dedicated to this activity. Moreover, although geological maps exist for various active,
94 quiescent or inactive volcanoes, many of them have been traced in the past using mainly a
95 petrological approach or old volcanological concepts (i.e. in many maps pyroclastic products are
96 often described and grouped under the general, lithological term of ‘tuffs’, without further
97 information useful to derive their genetic or depositional processes). A complete revision of these
98 maps should be still considered as a priority. For this reason, the production of geological maps in
99 volcanic areas should be addressed toward the compilation of real “volcanological” maps, in which
100 deposits and products are presented and described under a volcanological perspective, with legends
101 and stratigraphic or structural schemes which maximize information on the volcanic evolution.
102 Introduction of unconformity bounded stratigraphic units (UBSU) derived from sequence
103 stratigraphy has been for example proposed at Italian volcanoes by several authors to summarize
104 the volcano evolution, although lithostratigraphic units remain the best way to report and describe
105 the geology of a volcanic area (Groppelli and Viereck-Goette, 2010 and refs. therein). Structural
106 geology data should always complement volcanological maps, as they represent an indispensable
107 piece of information, especially at active volcanoes, to understand their past dynamics as well the
108 expected behavior during future episodes of unrest (Acocella 2007, 2014; Azzaro et al., 2012;
109 Cembrano and Lara, 2009; Tibaldi et al., 2003). Mapping of volcanic areas strongly relies on the
110 reconstruction of a detailed reference stratigraphic sequence, which is a complex and time-
111 consuming task to achieve (Fig. 2; Marti et al., 2018, and refs. therein). This can be acquired only
112 through an extended, detailed field survey of the entire pile of emplaced deposits. In large volcanic
113 areas, with activity from different centers (at local or regional scale), the identification of clearly
114 defined stratigraphic markers in the succession is a primary task, which can be used to correlate
115 the activity of the different volcanic centers and to define the temporal evolution of the activity. In

116 some cases, stratigraphic data can be integrated with those derived from distal and ultra-distal sites
117 (both marine, lacustrine and terrestrial) where tephra beds are recollected, identified and dated
118 (Pyle et al., 2006; Matthews et al., 2012; Engwell et al., 2014). Only in a few cases, such as at
119 frequently erupting volcanoes in inhabited areas and with a long-lasting written tradition,
120 eyewitnesses' accounts are useful to reconstruct the most recent period of activity and to fill in
121 possible gaps in the stratigraphic sequence related to small-scale eruptions with scarce deposition
122 and/or preservation. The preservation potential for the deposits of past eruptions in fact strongly
123 varies as a function of the general dispersal, thickness and grain-size of the deposits of each
124 eruption (roughly correlated to the intensity and magnitude; Pyle, 2015), and on climate, that may
125 enhance rapid weathering and erosion also of very recent deposits. Moreover, a volcanic area is a
126 highly dynamic morphological system in which short periods of deposition alternate with
127 prolonged periods of erosion and landscape reshaping (Collins and Dunne, 1986; Nemeth and
128 Cronin, 2007; Thouret, 1999). In many cases, the time for the latter is order of magnitudes longer
129 than that during which eruptions occur and products accumulate. These discontinuous dynamics
130 are also amplified by the large variability of frequency and magnitude (considered as proxies for
131 the volume of erupted products) of the eruptions, with the largest, low-frequency events being
132 generally best recorded in the stratigraphic sequence and preserved also in distal sequences with
133 respect to the more frequent, smaller events, mostly dispersed in the proximal sectors of the
134 volcano. All these factors may result in a partial, incomplete geological record of the past activity
135 and need to be carefully evaluated when trying to reconstruct a detailed history of a volcanic
136 system (Brown et al., 2014; Newhall and Self, 1982).

137 ***Geochronological studies***

138 Radiometric dating of the deposits is an essential tool that should always accompany the
139 stratigraphic reconstruction, giving an absolute measure of the timing for the different processes
140 (e.g., eruptions, magma evolution, edifice building). A detailed, high resolution dataset (both in
141 terms of precision of age determination and number of dated events) is vital, as it can reveal
142 different trends in the activity, such as temporal clustering of eruptions, or variability of frequency
143 with time (Fig. 3). Geochronological data are strongly unevenly distributed between the different
144 volcanoes worldwide, and totally lacking at many important active volcanic systems, especially in
145 remote areas (Simkin et al., 1981). In most cases, available absolute ages derive from
146 inhomogeneous datasets obtained with different techniques and at different laboratories, often
147 resulting in discordant results. In addition, many available geochronological datasets suffer from
148 a lack of systematic sampling approach with respect to the eruptive history. Time-related
149 reconstructions at the scale of the entire volcanic system should be planned together with
150 geological mapping and stratigraphic investigations, in order to systematize data collection.

151 *Physical characterization of eruptions*

152 Physical characterization of volcanic eruptions should strongly rely on the basic geologic
153 information at the scale of the volcano. These studies involve detailed stratigraphic reconstructions
154 of the deposits of single eruptions, as well as their areal dispersal and the derivation of the main
155 physical parameters which can help eruption classification and understanding of the main
156 processes acting during eruptions (Bonadonna et al., 2015, 2016; Carey and Sparks, 1986; Mastin
157 et al., 2009). At the scale of the whole volcanic system, deposit studies are fundamental to assess
158 the variability of the eruption scenarios shown by the volcanic system in its history (Table 1; Cioni
159 et al., 2008). Together with the information from absolute dating and the time evolution of the
160 volcanic activity (both at short and long time-scales), these combined datasets represent the basic

161 source to prepare informed and reliable hazard maps and emergency plans. In the recent years, the
162 definition of event trees for the expected evolution of the activity at a given volcano (Newhall and
163 Hoblitt, 2002) has become a common practice in volcanology. This type of theoretical scheme,
164 which summarizes the expected progression of events before a volcanic crisis, is more robust if
165 elaborated with a case-by-case approach, using all the geological and volcanological information
166 available at a given volcanic system (Neri et al., 2008; Marti et al., 2008).

167 *Petrology and geochemistry of erupted products*

168 Petrology and geochemistry of erupted products represent other important aspects to be
169 explored in order to get a complete view of a volcanic system and of its evolution. To depict
170 exhaustively magmatic evolution with time, these data should derive from a systematic collection
171 deeply based on the volcanological and geochronological framework built for that system. This is
172 not the case for data currently available at many volcanoes worldwide, that often suffer problems
173 of underrating of specific phases of activity. Petrological and geochemical studies, coupled with
174 experimental constraints (see sections below), give first order information about the depth of the
175 different parts of the magma storage system and its possible migration with time (e.g., Gardner et
176 al., 1995; Scaillet et al., 2008). They can also allow to define the conditions of magma stalling,
177 crystallization and evolution at depth, or they can inform about the modalities of pre- and syn-
178 eruptive magma ascent to surface (Blundy and Cashman, 2008; Rutherford, 2008). The
179 reconstruction of the evolution of a volcanic system gives the possibility to understand the overall
180 compositional variability shown by the products and to frame their temporal progression. In many
181 cases, it is possible to define cycles of volcano evolution associated to differences in the
182 composition of the erupted magma (Fig. 4). Important information on the depth of the different
183 portions of the volcanic system and on the interaction between magma and host rocks can also be

184 derived from the petro-mineralogical study of lithic fragments ejected during the different
185 explosive events (Di Rocco et al., 2012; Fulignati et al., 2004). Similarly, deep-derived nodules
186 are often found in lavas or pyroclastics, opening a window onto source mechanisms of magma
187 generation, migration and fragmentation at a specific volcano. All these aspects will be discussed
188 in detail in a following section.

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190 **Studying single-eruption sequences**

191 Important data on eruption processes and eruptive dynamics can be extracted from the
192 detailed study of the products erupted during single eruptions. In this case, the indispensable
193 dataset is represented by the accurate description of the sequence of eruptive products, acquired
194 through detailed stratigraphic, sedimentological and laboratory analyses of the deposits. Different
195 problematics arise in the study of the products of effusive vs. explosive eruptions.

196 Effusive eruptions are generally characterized by the occurrence, often contemporaneous, of lava
197 emission and small-scale explosive activity. Unless in the presence of direct observations of the
198 eruption, the stratigraphic relationships between the products of these two types of activity are
199 often not simple to resolve in the field, due to different dispersal and, often, to the multi-vent
200 character of these eruptions. Sample collection from lava flows, lava flow fields or lava domes is
201 generally less problematic with respect to pyroclastic material due to the generally narrower, more
202 regular dispersal. However, while in pyroclastic products it is generally straightforward to
203 recognize directly in the field the sequence of deposition (and hence eruption) of the deposits, this
204 can be very difficult in complex, long-lasting, often multi-vent past effusive eruptions. Beside this,
205 samples representative of the entire course of the effusive activity can be very difficult to obtain,
206 as magma erupted during the first phases of an effusion can become rapidly inaccessible, unless

207 they are preserved (and still recognizable) at specific locations in the flow, such as at the front or
208 along the lateral levees.

209 Explosive eruptions often result in a complex sequence of deposits, in terms of type (tephra
210 fall, pyroclastic density currents, etc.), dispersal and stratigraphic relationships. Detailed
211 stratigraphy is the first step to trace time and space evolutions of the different deposits, These
212 studies are also the base for the preparation of tephra dispersal maps (isopach, isopleth maps) for
213 the different deposits that can be used to define several extensive (e.g., volume and mass of erupted
214 magma, amount of xenolithic material) and intensive parameters (e.g., plume height, mass flow
215 rate, clast ejection velocity, velocity and dynamic pressure of pyroclastic density currents) of the
216 eruption (Carey and Sigurdsson, 1986; Cioni et al., 2000; Pistolesi et al., 2015, 2017; Todde et al.,
217 2017). The knowledge of all these parameters enables a parameterization of the different types of
218 eruptions which occurred during the life of a volcanic system, thus allowing to relate eruption
219 dynamics with the general features of the volcanic system (magma composition and rheology,
220 rates of magma feeding and evolution, depth and size of magma reservoirs). For an active volcano,
221 this dataset can be successfully used to the assess a range of representative eruption scenarios, to
222 understand its general style of activity (and time evolution) and to build an effective hazard
223 assessment framework (Tab. 1; Cioni et al., 2008).

224 ***Sampling strategies for pyroclastic deposits***

225 The collection of a large set of representative samples for different types of explosive
226 eruptions commonly needs a combination of preparatory studies to be carried out (e.g., selection
227 of the outcrops, sampling strategy). The choice of sampling strategy should always be preceded
228 by a preliminary characterization of the stratigraphy, dispersal, thickness variation and volume of
229 the eruption (e.g., Fisher and Schmincke, 1984; Cas and Wright, 1987; Thordarson et al., 2009;

230 Gurioli et al., 2015). Volcanic plumes which form during explosive eruptions are in fact complex
231 systems and their properties do not vary linearly with the main eruption parameters. The external
232 variables such as wind direction and velocity add further complexity to the tephra sedimentation
233 (i.e. clast-type distribution). Particularly when dealing with recent or ongoing eruptions, sampling
234 should be preceded by an accurate field analysis of the deposits. On this basis, the strategy should
235 consider deposit variability and key locations which synthesize the whole eruptive sequence. Once
236 defined the suitable outcrop(s), an inspection of the base-to-top variability is needed to assess syn-
237 eruptive wind direction or eruption intensity changes. In case of important lithologic and
238 sedimentologic vertical variability (e.g., grain-size, color, density/vesicularity, general
239 morphology, vesicle shape and crystallinity) at the outcrop scale, the identification of different
240 layers is needed prior to collection, eventually sampling each tephra layer at different equivalent
241 locations rather than collecting all samples at a single outcrop (Fig. 5). This is because
242 sedimentation from volcanic plumes is affected by clast size, shape and density (Bonadonna et al.,
243 1998; Pfeiffer et al., 2005; Barsotti et al., 2008; Eychenne et al., 2013), and thus single exposure
244 sampling may affect relative proportions within the deposit of the sampled material which can
245 vary with distance from the vent.

246 While the textural and sedimentological clast variability can be studied at a single outcrop, the
247 relative proportions between the different components of the deposit should be investigated across
248 the whole deposit dispersal by integrating outcrops and sampling at different distances from the
249 vent. Variability of juvenile clasts can be related to inhomogeneous magmatic sources
250 (mixing/mingling processes) or to different syn-eruptive conditions of degassing and
251 crystallization. Sampling is thus particularly crucial when dealing with petrological investigations,
252 which should ensure the representativeness of the collected juvenile fractions for analytical studies

253 as well as low to absent alteration degree. In the presence of a large variability of juvenile clasts,
254 sampling should be followed by componentry analysis of the clasts population in order to obtain
255 homogenous sub-sets of samples before further analyses (e.g., sample grinding for powders, thin
256 sections). The accurate analysis of proximal deposits can reveal the presence of important,
257 although thin and often poorly dispersed, deposits related to the opening phases of the eruption.
258 The sampling and study of the products of these phases can give important insights into the
259 mechanisms triggering the eruption and accompanying the onset of magma ascent to the surface
260 (Cioni et al., 2000; Sulpizio et al., 2010), as well as the complex processes of magma-rock
261 interaction during the final upward migration of the feeder dyke (Pistolesi et al., 2015).

262 *Componentry of pyroclastic deposits*

263 Pyroclastic deposits are characterized by the presence of clasts derived from the
264 fragmentation of a range of products of different sources, which are distinguished as juvenile and
265 accessory, xenolithic material (Fisher and Schmincke, 1984). Juvenile material represents the
266 magma actively driving the eruption, and most of the petrologic studies are obviously performed
267 on this type of material. The detailed examination of the different types of clasts present in the
268 products of a pyroclastic eruptions can be an incredibly prolific source of information on the
269 different processes affecting magma during an eruption. Microanalytical and textural studies of
270 the fragments are useful to identify the final processes of magma ascent and have been largely
271 used also to indirectly derive the rates of magma ascent, degassing and crystallization (Cashman,
272 1992; Cashman and Blundy, 2000). Identification of juvenile clasts with different composition in
273 a same eruption, even at a same stratigraphic level or within a single clast, are fundamental to
274 characterize pre-eruptive states of the magma, the existence of compositional gradients in the
275 magma reservoir and the temporal sequence of magma extraction during an eruption.

276 During eruption, or under pre-eruption conditions, changes in the final composition of the
277 melt phase can be induced by complex processes such as crystallization, assimilation of country
278 rocks, or mixing among different magmatic melts. Magma mixing is often suggested as one of the
279 most common triggers of eruptive activity (Sparks et al., 1978).

280 If juvenile material is the main, direct source of data about the state of the magma before an
281 eruption, accessory material (accidental or cognate clasts; Fisher and Schmincke, 1984) brings
282 precious information about rocks hosting the volcanic system (contact portions of the reservoir,
283 conduit, crater area) and all kinds of interaction between magma and the host rocks (metasomatic
284 and thermo-metamorphic rocks from the magma reservoir/host rock shell, different kinds of
285 magma cumulates). In case of large eruptions, the combined study of stratigraphy and
286 componentry of the deposits is also used to estimate the dimension of the eruptive magma
287 conduit/crater system and the timing for caldera collapse that may eventually occur.

288 ***Internal variability in the products of an effusive eruption***

289 Differently from pyroclastic deposits, the products of effusive activity are almost completely
290 dominated by juvenile magma; mafic lavas are generally strongly homogeneous, mainly due to the
291 low viscosity (also after near complete degassing of the magma) that favors a rapid hybridization
292 of different melts in mixed systems or the rapid disappearance of internal compositional gradients.
293 In such cases, information of the interaction of the magma with different melts is only preserved
294 in the phenocryst population, that can give first-hand information on the physical and chemical
295 conditions of magma evolution. In particular cases, the low viscosity of mafic magmas can result
296 in high ascent rates to the surface, and the ensuing lava flows are characterized by the presence of
297 high-density, crystal-rich, mafic nodules of different size (from mm- up to dm-sized) that may give
298 information both on deep-seated crystallization processes or even on the mantle source.

299 Effusive activity of silicic magmas, forming lava domes or poorly mobile flows (coulées,
300 tholoids, obsidian flows, etc.), often results in more heterogeneous products, as the high viscosity
301 of the melt-crystal system tends to preserve traces of any interaction of the magma with other melts
302 or rocks, and to show physical mingling instead of chemical hybridization between different
303 magmatic melts with contrasting rheological features. In this case, it is very common to observe a
304 variety of enclaves (Bacon, 1986) that reveal, with their composition and texture, the origin and
305 dynamics of mixing at depth.

306

307 **Petrological constraints to magma genesis and evolution**

308 The journey of magmas from the mantle source to the surface can be very complex owing to
309 the heterogeneity of the lithosphere and the variability of tectonic regime (Cashman et al., 2017;
310 Scandone et al., 2007). Direct evidence of the geometry and extension of volcanic plumbing
311 systems are mainly derived from geological investigations carried out on ancient dissected
312 volcanic centers or exhumed crustal sections. High resolution seismic profiles or crustal
313 tomography can also provide a variably detailed picture of the extension and complexities of the
314 plumbing system. These methods in most cases provide only a static representation of the spatial
315 complexity of the plumbing system and notwithstanding recent advances on 4D seismic
316 tomography, quite often fail in detailing the physico-chemical parameters at work. More generally,
317 geophysical information is restricted to eruptions that have occurred in the last decades (i.e.
318 accompanying the deployment of geophysical networks). Conversely, a basic assumption of
319 petrological investigations is that compositional and textural variability revealed by petrological
320 methods reflects changes in physical (e.g., pressure, temperature) and chemical (e.g. fO_2)
321 parameters during magma ascent, storage and eruption.

322 Information on the pre-or syn-eruptive evolution of magmas is generally preserved in their
323 compositional and textural features. For example, crystals and melts provide information about
324 cooling, crystallization, contamination and mixing history, vesicles and melts on volatile content
325 and degassing dynamics.

326 Whatever the research approach used (at the scale of the entire volcano, or restricted to single
327 eruption sequences), petrological studies should be applied to the products in order to extract
328 information on the main processes that controlled magma genesis and evolution, as well as to
329 define the main compositional differences of the erupted products.

330 In general, key information about the magmatic system that petrology can provide include:

- 331 - The nature and the composition of the magma source;
- 332 - The physical and chemical conditions of magmatic processes;
- 333 - The dynamics of magmatic processes;
- 334 - The timescales for magma crystallization and degassing.

335 To obtain the above information, volcanologists collect petrological and textural data on
336 natural rocks and their components and interpret these data on the basis of experiments and
337 thermodynamic/ physical models.

338 ***The nature and composition of the magma source***

339 Nature and composition of the magma source are mainly investigated via isotope
340 geochemistry on primitive melts and/or on deep-seated xenoliths entrained upward by the magma.
341 Texture and mineral assemblage of xenoliths, once modifications occurring during ascent are
342 filtered out, bear evidence of the nature of the source (Armienti et al., 2013, Corsaro et al., 2009b,
343 Pichavant et al., 2009, Wright & Klein, 2006). By definition, primitive melts are close to the
344 composition of melts in equilibrium with the mantle mineralogy. Criteria for recognizing the

345 attainment of the equilibrium are based on the K_d of melt-olivine equilibria, assuming that olivine
346 with F_{O90} is the fundamental component of a residual peridotite. Primitive melts are rare and
347 recognizable as melt inclusions (MIs) trapped in mafic minerals as olivine or pyroxene (Grove et
348 al., 2002; O'Hara & Herzberg, 2002; Pichavant et al., 2002, 2011; Schiano, 2003; Asimow et al.,
349 2004; Green et al., 2004; Smith & Leeman, 2005; Streck et al., 2007).

350 In most central volcanoes, primitive melts reach the surface only if the characteristic time of
351 transport/ascent through the crust is short enough (highly buoyant magmas) that stopover, cooling
352 or crystallization in the crust are reduced and interaction or mixing with shallow residing magmas
353 is limited (Corsaro & Pompilio 2004a; Coltelli et al. 2005; Kamenetsky et al. 2007).

354 At some volcanoes (e.g., Etna, Teide or Pantelleria) these conditions are more easily met
355 during flank eruptions, when feeder dykes bypass the central plumbing system. Radiogenic
356 isotopic ratios (Sr, Nd and Pb systematics) and ratios between stable isotopes of noble elements
357 (e.g. Helium) carry information on the geochemical evolution and modification of the source (e.g.
358 metasomatism) since these ratios are not modified during melting, crystallization or degassing
359 (Tonarini et al., 2001; Francalanci et al., 2004, 2007; Tommasini et al., 2007; Pietruszka et al.,
360 2015; Corsaro & Métrich, 2016; Di Renzo et al., 2018). The knowledge of the composition of
361 primitive magmas that feed crustal reservoirs and of their variability in time is crucial for
362 determining the compositional evolution of crustal reservoirs.

363 ***Defining physical and chemical parameters of magmatic processes***

364 At almost every stage of magma migration through the crust, cooling and crystallization can
365 take place to some extent. If crystals are preserved in the erupted magma, the whole history can be
366 deciphered and physical and chemical parameters relevant to magmatic processes estimated
367 (Jerram et al., 2018). In the scientific literature of the last 40 years, thermodynamic modeling of

368 phase equilibria between liquid, gas and solid phases has been largely employed to estimate
369 pressure and temperature at which magmatic processes occur (Ghiorso & Sack, 1995; Ghiorso &
370 Gualda, 2015; Gualda et al., 2012). This important advancement has been possible thanks to the
371 large improvement of microanalytical techniques, that allowed the accurate compositional and
372 textural analysis of single phases at a spatial resolution of few microns, and to a wealth of new
373 experiments on natural and synthetic materials allowing a fine tuning of general models, and their
374 application to the knowledge of the plumbing system of a single volcano.

375 A huge number of case-histories appearing in the scientific literature can be cited, however the
376 best and more accurate results are those derived from the study of the products of volcanoes that
377 erupted frequently or during long periods in the last decades (e.g., Etna, Kilauea, Stromboli, Piton
378 de la Fournaise, Mt. Saint Helens, Monserrat) or those for which detailed field studies allowed to
379 reconstruct with a good approximation single key eruptions (e.g., Vesuvius, Santorini) or a large
380 part of the eruptive history (Putirka, 1997; Corsaro & Pompilio, 2004b; Del Carlo & Pompilio,
381 2004; Corsaro et al., 2007, 2009a, 2012, 2014; Peltier et al., 2009; Mollo et al., 2015; Giacomoni
382 et al., 2016, Perinelli et al., 2016; Di Renzo et al., 2018). Pressure and temperature of magma
383 evolution often derive from accurate studies of fluid and MI, as testified by a huge literature
384 starting from the seminal work of Roedder (1979) up to the recent reviews of Kent (2008), Métrich
385 and Wallace (2008) and Moore (2008). In particular, MIs trapped in crystals in equilibrium with
386 the magma driving the eruption can preserve their history of crystallization, recording the temporal
387 variation of the composition and volatile content of magma and giving also the possibility to
388 measure the trapping temperature (Roedder, 1979; Lowenstern, 2001). Volatile content of MI has
389 been often used for estimating the minimum pressure of crystallization, assuming volatile
390 saturation in the melt, so allowing to reconstruct the possible geometry of a plumbing system (e.g.,

391 Pamucku et al., 2015; Métrich et al., 2010; Fig. 6). MI studies must be always accompanied by
392 detailed petrological investigations in order to shed light on the significance of the different hosting
393 phases, and on the possible post-entrapment changes of the melt by host crystallization, MI
394 maturation and degassing, or melt-crystal diffusion (Nielsen et al, 1998).

395 *Dynamics of magmatic processes*

396 Once assessed where the magma is stored within the crust, it is essential to understand what
397 happens within these stable or short-lived magmatic reservoirs, if some interaction occurs with the
398 host rocks, if and in which proportion magmas mix together or with assimilated crustal material,
399 and if liquid, solid or gas phases separate or accumulate.

400 Classical methods embrace compositional investigations on bulk rocks or on single phases, using
401 information derived from radiogenic isotopes and trace elements. Some examples include recent
402 eruptions or eruptive periods of well-known volcanoes (Pompilio et al., 2011; Meletlidis et al.,
403 2012 ; Troll et al., 2012; Marti et al., 2013; Longpré et al., 2014; Del Moro et al., 2015, Meletlidis
404 et al., 2015, Di Renzo et al., 2018). Textural analyses including both descriptive (e.g., habitus,
405 shape) and quantitative information derived from crystal or vesicle size distributions have been
406 also largely employed, in most of active volcanoes, thanks to the tremendous recent development
407 of image analysis techniques. A combined textural and compositional analysis of fine-grained
408 pyroclasts (ash and lapilli) can give clues on magmatic processes within the plumbing system,
409 such as crystallization and degassing (Hammer et al., 1999, 2000; Blundy and Cashman, 2001;
410 Taddeucci et al., 2004; Schiavi et al., 2006, 2010; D’Oriano et al., 2011; Pompilio et al., 2017).

411 A new original and promising approach at the scale of single crystals is the system analysis
412 (Fig. 7) introduced by Kahl et al. (2011). The basic assumption is that the growth of a sector of a
413 crystal records the crystallization process within a given magmatic environment. A magmatic

414 environment (ME) can be generally defined as a portion of the magmatic plumbing system (not
415 only restricted to the magma reservoir) characterized by a distinctive set of intensive
416 thermodynamic variables (e.g., temperature, pressure, melt composition, water content, and
417 oxygen fugacity). Considering that crystal growth occurs sequentially from core to rim, it can be
418 assumed that the compositions at the rim record the latest magmatic environment while the inner
419 sectors record progressively older environments. Thus, the chemical stratigraphy recorded in the
420 compositional zoning patterns can be used to track the evolution of different magma batches
421 through distinct magmatic environments. However, the interpretation of the patterns of zoning
422 within crystals of the same eruption is not simple, but a system analysis plot (Fig. 7) can clarify
423 the relationships between diverse magmatic environments.

424 *Timescales for magma crystallization and degassing*

425 Most of intensive thermodynamic variables (e.g., pressure, temperature, volatile content and
426 composition) pertaining to magmatic environments are derived assuming equilibrium conditions
427 and ignoring the kinetics of the processes. In this way, the temporal information that can work as
428 “sync-signal” between petrology and other geophysical signals, is missing. Only in the last two
429 decades, the “re-discovery” of the kinetics of magmatic processes has allowed to obtain robust and
430 precise estimation of timescales, allowing correlation between different signals. Such new
431 petrological techniques include crystal and vesicle size distributions, multi-element diffusion
432 chronometry, and measurements of short-lived isotopes (Hawkesworth et al., 2004; Cooper and
433 Kent, 2014; Petrone et al., 2014).

434 Information on the kinetics of the crystallization or degassing derived by crystal or bubble size
435 distributions have been largely employed to obtain the timescales of storage and ascent of magmas.
436 After the precursory work of Marsh (1988), these techniques have been applied to several

437 volcanoes with different compositions and mineral assemblages (Cashman and Marsh, 1988;
438 Mangan, 1990; Cashman, 1992; Hammer et al., 1999; Zieg & Marsh, 2002; Taddeucci et al., 2004;
439 Zellemer et al., 2005; Higgins, 1996; 2006; Armienti, 2008; Salisbury et al., 2008; Higgins &
440 Roberge, 2007; Morgan et al., 2007a; Proussevitch et al., 2007; Fornaciai et al., 2015; Jerram et
441 al., 2018). In order to recover accurate temporal information from a quantitative textural analysis
442 it is necessary to have a robust estimate of kinetic parameters such as growth and nucleation rates
443 and their relationships with pressure, temperature, undercooling and composition (Armienti,
444 2008). Similarly, the modeling of the diffusive modification of zoning profiles in mineral provides
445 information on the timescale of melt transfer through the plumbing system. For this reason,
446 diffusion modeling is being increasingly used to obtain timescales of individual magmatic
447 processes or sequences of processes. Early applications include the study of eruption of Vesuvius,
448 Santorini, Etna, Mount St. Helens, and most of them include correlation with geophysical signals
449 useful for volcano hazard monitoring (Zellmer et al., 1999, 2003, 2005; Morgan et al., 2007b; Kahl
450 et al., 2011, 2013, 2015, 2017; Charlier et al., 2012; Druitt et al., 2012; Marti et al., 2013;
451 Chamberlain et al., 2014; Albert et al., 2015, 2016).

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453 **Experimental constraints on volcano evolution and eruption dynamics**

454 As explained above, the petrological study of erupted products can give invaluable
455 information about processes occurring at depth and about the nature of magmas involved in the
456 eruptive mechanisms. In order to correlate such an information with physical inferences made from
457 the study of volcanic deposits it is essential, however, that the petrological information is placed
458 into a robust and quantitative pressure-temperature framework. This is the reason for carrying out
459 experiments in the laboratory, whose prime aim is the replication of essential petrological

460 attributes which are preserved by juvenile material ejected during the eruption, under carefully
461 controlled intensive parameters (P, T, volatiles etc.). It is therefore vital that experimental efforts
462 come only when an in-depth field and petrological knowledge is available, so that the laboratory
463 work is performed on relevant and representative rock types and under naturally constrained
464 physical conditions.

465 Experiments that can be done are of various sort: (1) phase equilibria, (2) volatile solubilities,
466 (3) mixing/interaction experiments, (4) decompression experiments, and (5) measurements of
467 physical properties of rocks and magmas. All these experiments are done for durations which can
468 be very short compared to the timescales attending the construction of volcanic edifices: typically,
469 a stratovolcano building may last several 100 kyrs, a period mirroring that of the reservoir lying
470 below, while experiments are carried for durations varying between minutes/hours at high
471 temperature ($>1000^{\circ}\text{C}$) up to several weeks in the low end of the terrestrial temperature silicate
472 magmas spectrum (ca 600°C). Yet, fortunately for that matter, pre-eruptive or syn-eruptive
473 phenomena often occur on short time scales, i.e. they can, for the most part, be directly simulated
474 by laboratory experiments under the right P-T conditions and using the natural magma as starting
475 material. Besides from the selection of starting material, in order to be relevant to the natural
476 context, experiments need to be carried out in the correct order: first, phase equilibria which set in
477 the general scene, in particular the broad P-T field of magma storage and evolution, and then the
478 dynamic experiments simulating the process (i.e., decompression, mixing,
479 assimilation/contamination/interaction).

480 *P-T conditions of magma evolution: phase equilibrium studies*

481 The most common as well as standard approach of experimental petrology studies includes
482 the elaboration of phase relationships at various pressure, temperature and volatile contents. This

483 approach defines the stability fields of the major and minor mineral phases as a function of P, T
484 and melt volatile content (Fig. 8). These data are fundamentally aimed at testing to what extent
485 crystal-liquid equilibria were prevailing in the reservoir prior to eruption, and they allow setting
486 the so-called pre-eruptive conditions. When such an approach is successful, i.e. when experiments
487 can define a range of P-T-volatiles conditions under which the nature, proportion and composition
488 of main phases (including liquid/glass) are reproduced, then it is reasonable to conclude that before
489 eruption the reservoir was at or near equilibrium. Conversely, inability to reproduce the
490 phenocrysts assemblage under a "reasonable" set of P-T-volatiles conditions likely points to
491 disequilibrium, whose cause could be occurrence of magma mixing or coexistence of various
492 phenocrysts having precipitated at different conditions (generally depth/pressure, or temperature)
493 before eruption.

494 Application of the above approach on well selected eruptions (and samples) produced by a
495 single volcano allows one to infer the time evolution of magma storage conditions (Fig. 8). This
496 is crucial since geophysical surveys can only probe the present-day state of the plumbing system,
497 which is the integrated result of all events having occurred so far. The working out of the pre-
498 eruptive conditions of the last event is likely to inform about the state of the reservoir most closely
499 approaching that of present-day conditions, except if the repose time since that event is very long.
500 Not all magmas erupted allow robust estimates via phase equilibrium data to be extracted however,
501 since that method depends on the variance (number of different phases) of the system under
502 consideration. An extreme case is provided by an aphyric lava or obsidian in which the lack of
503 phenocrysts prevents the simple test of crystal-liquid equilibrium. Also, some compositions are
504 saturated with the same phase assemblage over a large range of P-T-volatiles conditions, making
505 such an approach relatively imprecise. In such a case, the search for melt-inclusions trapped in

506 phenocrysts provides a powerful assist to the definition of pre-eruption conditions, as explained
507 below. In general, however, the phase equilibrium approach has proved to be very useful in
508 providing first order P-T-volatile conditions on a number of reference volcanoes as Mt. St. Helens
509 (Rutherford et al., 1985; Gardner et al., 1995), Mt Pelée (Martel et al., 1998; Pichavant et al.,
510 2002), Vesuvius (Scaillet et al., 2008; Pichavant et al., 2014), Santorini (Cottrell et al., 1999,
511 Cadoux et al., 2015; Andujar et al., 2015, 2016), Tungurahua (Andujar et al., 2017), Pinatubo
512 (Scaillet and Evans, 1999).

513 Phase equilibria provide not only a consistent picture of the stability of different phases but
514 they also furnish fundamental data on crystal-crystal or crystal-melt equilibrium partitioning for
515 some key elements (Fe, Mg, Cl, F etc.). Firstly, these allow to evaluate for each crystal pair or
516 isolated individual the equilibrium status with respect to its immediate surrounding. Secondly,
517 combined with thermodynamic principles, these data allow derivation of a variety of hygro-oxy-
518 thermo-barometers which allow to further refine the determination of intensive parameters. The
519 Fe-Ti oxide oxythermometer is certainly one of the most popular and accurate crystal-crystal
520 equilibrium (e.g., Andersen and Lindsley, 1993; Ghiorso and Evans, 2008; Evans et al., 2016)
521 which calculates temperature to perhaps better than 20-30°C and fO_2 to within 0.3 log units.
522 Another similarly powerful and accurate assemblage is the two-feldspars thermometer (e.g.,
523 Fuhrman and Lindsley, 1988). The plagioclase-liquid hygrometer has been shown to be of great
524 assist for inferring dissolved water content of pre- to syn-eruptive melt (Waters and Lange, 2015).
525 Amphibole composition also varies widely as a function of phase assemblage, melt composition
526 and P-T- fO_2 - fH_2O conditions, which has led to many empirical parametrizations (e.g., Johnson
527 and Rutherford, 1989; Ridolfi et al., 2010; Putirka, 2016). Apatite, which is a ubiquitous accessory
528 mineral in magmas, is being increasingly used as a monitor of melt volatile contents, the focus

529 being on halogens and sulfur species (e.g., Parat and Holtz, 2005; Webster and Piccoli, 2015).
530 Whenever possible, combination of phase relationships with crystal-crystal and crystal-liquid
531 partitioning, as well as with MI data, should be the strategy of choice to provide robust constraints
532 on the conditions of magma evolution and storage.

533 *Constraints to magma degassing: volatile solubilities*

534 This part represents an important strand of the experimental approach, owing to the strong
535 pressure dependence of volatiles concentration in silicate melts with pressure, and the important
536 role that volatiles play in driving volcanic eruptions. Since the early developments of experimental
537 petrology, determining the solubilities of H₂O and CO₂, the two most abundant species of
538 magmatic gases, has been a priority for the community (e.g., Blank et al 1993; Dixon et al., 1995;
539 Lesne et al., 2011; Shishkina et al., 2014). These works have largely shown that water solubility
540 is much greater than that of CO₂ (Fig. 9a), hence the exsolution of the two species varies widely
541 with pressure and the bulk of water is exsolved from the silicate liquid at much lower pressure than
542 that of CO₂. While the compositional control on volatile solubilities is demonstrable, it remains
543 relatively small for water but appreciable for CO₂. Experimental data gathered over the last three
544 decades have allowed the development of multicomponent solubility models (e.g., Newman and
545 Lowenstern, 2002; Papale et al., 2006; Burgisser et al., 2015) whose prime use is the determination
546 of the pressure of magma-gas saturation as a function of dissolved H₂O and CO₂ contents
547 (Anderson et al., 1989). Application of these models to MIs enables one to calculate minimum
548 pressures for those melt aliquots, which can be compared with pressures inferred from phase
549 equilibrium considerations or geophysical constraints. Refinement of this method includes the
550 incorporation of other volatile species, in particular SO₂ and H₂S (e.g., Moretti et al., 2003;
551 Clemente et al., 2004; Lesne et al., 2015) or halogens (Alletti et al., 2012). In general, however,

552 the partial pressures of H₂O and CO₂ represent more than 90% of the total pressure. An important
553 output of volatile solubilities, in particular of the so-called minor species (S-bearing species and
554 halogens), is that they impose limits on absolute quantities of volatile species that a given silicate
555 melt may dissolve. Knowing such a limit allows for the determination of the magma volume
556 implied at depth to sustain gas emissions measured during an eruptive period, either effusive or
557 explosive. This is, however, possible only when there is no excess gas phase (bubble) in the
558 reservoir. Bubbles may indeed store a dominant part of some volatile species (C- and S-bearing):
559 the use of S or C fluxes measured at the surface in terms of magma mass stored at depth would
560 require knowing the amount of bubbles in the reservoir, a quantity notoriously difficult to estimate
561 (e.g., Wallace et al., 1995, Papale, 2005).

562 The determination of volatile solubilities allows also for the calculation of gas composition
563 at equilibrium with the magma either in the reservoir (Scaillet and Pichavant, 2003) or during its
564 upraise toward the surface (Burgisser and Scaillet, 2007). This application offers potentially a
565 powerful tool for the interpretation of volcanic gas compositions measured at the surface in active
566 volcanic areas (Fig. 9b). It is indeed well documented that fluctuations in gas compositions occur
567 prior or during eruptions (e.g., Allard et al., 2005; Burton et al., 2007; Aiuppa et al., 2010;
568 Oppenheimer et al., 2011; Burgisser et al., 2012), but the interpretation in terms of processes still
569 remains elusive. Changes in gas composition with eruptive style are apparent in many cases, yet
570 the real challenge is the detection of precursor gas signals related to unrest phases. A quantitative
571 as well as predictive use of such an approach, requires the modelling of gas-melt equilibria but
572 also gas-melt-crystal equilibria as crystals can hold a significant amount of volatile species
573 (sulfides, sulfates, brines). It also requires integrating the effect of aquifers which can scrub out
574 soluble species from the uprising gas (SO₂ in particular, or HCl), therefore altering the surface

575 signal (Symonds et al., 2001). This field is one of very active research, owing to the many
576 parameters intervening, their coupled character as well as feedback effects (Chiodini et al., 2016).

577 ***Experimental constraints to magma mixing/interaction***

578 As stated previously, it has been long recognized that mixing is a common process occurring
579 in magmatic reservoirs (Sparks et al., 1978). Mixing can take place between magmas differing
580 widely in composition (and rheological properties) or between compositionally similar end-
581 members. Regardless, one of the key-controlling factors of mixing efficiency appears to be the
582 viscosity contrast between juxtaposed magmas, mixing being promoted when both end-members
583 share the same viscosity. Another important parameter is density, particularly when magma
584 blending produces density inversion, since this can lead to chamber-wide convection and eruption.
585 Experiments have tackled mixing using a variety of approaches. Firstly, by juxtaposing magmas
586 with contrasted compositions under static conditions and measuring diffusion exchange at their
587 interface for different run durations (Wyllie et al., 1989). This gives insight into the time scales
588 necessary to generate diffusion profiles sometimes observed in quenched mixtures. Secondly,
589 torsion experiments, done mostly at one bar (i.e. under dry conditions), have allowed to explore
590 the role of shear rate across the interface (e.g., Kouchi and Sunagawa et al., 1985; Campos et al.,
591 2011), showing that high shear rates, such as in volcanic conduits, facilitate mixing, even with
592 high viscosity contrast. The geochemical patterns obtained in such high temperature experiments
593 have been also used to infer the contact time between mixed magmas in volcanic products (e.g.,
594 Perugini et al., 2008; Rossi et al., 2017). More recently, torsion experiments at high pressure (i.e.
595 with hydrous magmas) have demonstrated that mixing between felsic and mafic magmas in
596 reservoirs (i.e., at low strain rates as compared to that in volcanic conduits) occurs only when the
597 viscosity contrast is null (Fig. 10; Laumonier et al., 2014). These experiments provide constraints

598 on the relative amounts between invading and resident magmas needed to achieve homogeneous
599 mixtures at the hand scale (Fig. 11): the experiments and ensuing calculations show that true
600 hybrids require in general equal amounts of mafic and felsic magmas, a too small amount
601 preventing the production of intermediate magmas in any significant volume. At a somewhat
602 smaller scale, experiments have also investigated the rate of diffusive equilibration of crystals
603 exposed to changing P-T or chemical conditions. As stated above, the preservation of chemical
604 zoning in many phenocrysts (olivine, feldspars, pyroxenes, oxides), and their interpretation in
605 terms of relaxation time scale, offer a powerful tool for gauging the residence times of crystals in
606 magmas. This approach most often concludes to relatively short time scales of attending magmatic
607 processes (i.e. magma recharge) occurring before eruption, from hours to months to decades (e.g.,
608 Costa et al., 2003; Druitt et al., 2012).

609 Experiments can also explore how a magma, once intruded in the crust to build a shallow
610 reservoir, interacts with its surroundings. Of particular interest in the context of volcanic processes
611 is the ingestion by the magma of volatile-rich country rocks. Contamination of the magma by
612 evaporites, carbonates or coal-rich sediments has the potential to liberate a variety of S- and C-
613 species which will add to the initial content of those elements of the magma. Recognition of such
614 a process is important since it affects the interpretation of gas fluxes measured at the surface (e.g.,
615 Di Rocco et al., 2012). Whenever this happens, the mass of volatiles expelled cannot be used to
616 make inferences about the amount of the magma source of these emissions, unless isotopic
617 discrimination between magma and host rock volatiles is possible. The contamination process not
618 only affects the volatile budget of the magma but also its redox state which in turn affects gas
619 speciation, with these interactions being progressively able to affect the magma chemical evolution
620 (Iacono-Marziano et al., 2008, 2012). Such an evolution can be in turn correlated to a change of

621 the plumbing system (nature of the host rock with depth). If good inferences can be made about
622 the host rock (generally by looking at xenoliths carried by the magmas), interaction experiments
623 can thus provide important constraints on the plumbing system and the way it affects magma
624 evolution and its surface manifestations (i.e. gas composition). Fluxing of externally generated
625 volatiles through a magma reservoir can also induce important variations in the volatile solubility
626 of the magma, changing the composition (and partial pressure) of the coexisting fluids (Spilliaert
627 et al., 2005; Dallai et al., 2011).

628 *Constraints to the rates of magma ascent: decompression experiments*

629 This category of experiments is obviously the one more closely simulating magma ascent in
630 a conduit. The fundamental parameter that those experiments strive to constrain is the magma
631 ascent rate and its potential variation during the eruptive sequence. Textural features that
632 experiments aim at replicating are crystal and bubble size distributions. Compositional features are
633 primarily microlite compositions and glass volatile contents. For the latter, the contrasted kinetics
634 of volatile species diffusion afford potentially a powerful speedometer. However, given the
635 difficulty in quantitatively analyzing dissolved volatiles in quenched experimental run products,
636 efforts have focused mostly on reproducing bubble (e.g., Mangan and Sisson, 2000; Mourtada-
637 Bonnefoi and Laporte, 2004; Gardner and Ketcham, 2011; Martel and Iacono-Marziano, 2015; Le
638 Gall and Pichavant, 2016) and microlite (e.g., Hammer et al., 1999; Martel, 2012) characteristics.
639 This category of experiments show that it is possible to simulate accurately the texture of volcanic
640 rocks, giving strong confidence on the reliability of the constrained parameter. Ascent rates
641 inferred from such an approach show that the transit time between magma reservoir and the sub-
642 surface varies from hours to days, depending on eruptive dynamics and magma composition.

643 Decompression experiments have the potential to unravel in considerable detail the
644 behavior of volatiles during magma ascent (e.g., Fiege et al., 2015; Le Gall and Pichavant, 2016).
645 This is important because such a knowledge helps to understand not only the physical effects
646 associated to volatile exsolution (i.e. when bubbles nucleate and how they grow) but also the
647 associated chemical effects: the latter arise because of the differing kinetics of volatile species
648 diffusion in silicate melts (Watson, 1994; Baker et al., 2005), slower diffusing species (CO₂, S-
649 bearing) lagging behind (i.e. remaining within the melt) species with high mobility (H₂O, H₂). This
650 diffusive fractionation of volatile species will in turn affect gas composition, that will necessarily
651 differ from the one which can be calculated under the equilibrium assumption, using known
652 solubility laws (Fig. 12). Essentially, gas produced during fast magma ascent will be richer in H₂O
653 than predicted by equilibrium (Pichavant et al., 2013), though the details of chemical effects
654 associated to decompression still remain largely unexplored. This comparatively new field of
655 research, made possible by the improved performances of laboratory experiments and micro-
656 analytical tools (ion probe or infra-red spectroscopy), will expand in the next coming years.

657 *Measuring physical properties of rocks and magmas*

658 This is also a rapidly expanding field that aims at defining the physical properties of rocks
659 and magmas under their natural conditions. A master property that has fuelled numerous laboratory
660 studies is magma viscosity. Thanks to a wealth of experimental data, acquired on either dry or
661 hydrous systems, there are now efficient models for calculating melt viscosities under a large range
662 of T-volatiles conditions (e.g., Giordano et al., 2008). The effects of crystals and bubbles (e.g.,
663 Bagdassarov and Dingwell, 1992; Rust and Manga, 2002) have been also extensively explored,
664 these efforts enabling the elaboration of various accurate models of magma rheology (e.g., Costa,
665 2005; Mader et al., 2013). The role of strain rate on magma rheology has been also explored at

666 high pressure (e.g., Caricchi et al., 2011). These data primarily serve to inform numerical
667 simulations of magma flow (within reservoirs or conduits) whose performances heavily depend on
668 the robustness of the constitutive laws used for describing material properties, and their evolution
669 with intensive parameters (e.g., Costa et al., 2011). The conditions leading to magma or host rock
670 fracture, and the measurement of associated signals, is evidently an important field of research
671 (e.g., Benson et al., 2012; Heap et al., 2015; Vasseur et al., 2018), although still in its infancy
672 owing to the variety of lithologies and conditions involved in nature.

673 Laboratory experiments also helps to interpret the geophysical signals measured at the
674 surface (seismicity, conductivity, gravimetry, etc.) which are used to image magma bodies beneath
675 volcanoes. Although technically challenging, the attenuation of the velocity of seismic waves with
676 fraction of melt/fluid has been studied at high pressure and high temperature, but the difference in
677 frequency between natural and laboratory waves is a complicating factor for data application
678 (Caricchi et al., 2008). In-situ measurements allow now to measure directly the density of hydrous
679 melts at high pressure (Malfait et al., 2014), which should be of considerable help for interpreting
680 gravimetric anomalies in volcanic areas. Finally, it is now possible to measure with great precision
681 the variation of the electrical conductivity of melts with their composition, including their volatile
682 contents (Gaillard, 2004; Pommier et al., 2010). These data help illuminate the volcanological
683 significance of magnetotelluric signals detected in active volcanic areas (Pommier et al., 2008).
684 As knowledge is gained in the next coming years, the combination of the above data along with
685 joint inversion of surface signals should considerably improve our ability to detect not only magma
686 bodies, even those small, but also the precursor signals associated to magma upraise or recharge
687 associated to unrest phases.

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689 **Discussion and Conclusions**

690 In the last few decades, disciplines such as physical volcanology and petrology have moved
691 from qualitative and descriptive approaches towards a more quantitative approach for the
692 understanding of magmatic and volcanic processes. This advancement produced a huge amount of
693 new data on volcanic deposits, mineral and melt components of volcanic rocks, and generated new
694 ideas and perspectives on laboratory experiments and physical models. By merging these data with
695 those produced by other disciplines (e.g. geophysics), new conceptual models on how volcanoes
696 work have arisen and more precise information on the size and internal dynamics of volcanic
697 systems have been obtained. The most important advancements in this framework have been
698 established at volcanoes with persistent activity or with high eruptive frequency, where hypotheses
699 and conceptual models can be continuously elaborated, tested and refined.

700 A holistic, multidisciplinary view of volcanic systems through the study of their different
701 portions and products is the only way to reach a robust understanding of the large set of processes
702 which control their activity. A real step forward in the general understanding of a volcanic system
703 can only be obtained starting from the detailed, basic knowledge of its structure and deposits
704 derived from volcanological investigations in the field (geological and structural mapping,
705 geochronology, stratigraphy and sedimentology of the deposits), passing through the physical
706 volcanological characterization of products and eruptions, up to the most accurate, refined
707 petrological studies of the main single processes controlling the volcanic system.

708 Field volcanology studies represent always the main door to the knowledge of a volcanic
709 system. The under consideration of the geological evolution of a volcanic system can in fact result
710 in a strongly biased reconstruction of the complex set of processes governing and modulating its
711 life. Planning of stratigraphic and mapping work should be always implemented when assessing

712 volcanic hazards or defining the spectrum of eruption scenarios at a volcano. Additionally, data
713 already available for the volcanoes of interest should be always critically revised in the light of
714 new views on volcanic activity and products, instead of accepting them uncritically. Studies of on-
715 going activity are generally strongly preferred in order to understand the dynamics of volcanic
716 activity, but the study of the deposits of past eruptions still remains a unique tool to define the
717 range of possible eruption scenarios at a given volcano.

718 Eruptive activity is strictly related to the physico-chemical conditions of the magma driving
719 the eruption. At the same time, the temporal evolution of a magmatic system is strictly controlled
720 by changes in the magma source or in the physical conditions of magma evolution. For these
721 reasons, the petrological characterization of the erupted products and of their temporal variations
722 can provide important data to derive direct indications on the significance of these processes.
723 Based on all this knowledge, experimental petrology can be used to reproduce effectively in the
724 lab the conditions of magma evolution, ascent and eruption to the surface, adding new, quantitative
725 estimations of the main parameters which control all these processes.

726 Hazard assessment and eruption scenario definition for a volcano should be always based on
727 the deep, direct knowledge of the range of parameters which control its activity and evolution, in
728 the view that each volcano is characterized by its own “personality”.

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1413 **Figure captions**

1414 Fig. 1 Idealized view of a magmatic system of a volcano. Right side shows the main
1415 methodologies usually employed for the study of the different portions of the plumbing system
1416 and associated limits (dotted line).

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1418 Fig. 2 Reconstructing the stratigraphy of the deposits at the scale of an entire volcanic
1419 edifice is a basilar step to understand the evolution of that volcano and to start a detailed mapping
1420 of the area. A) On the southern sector of Cotopaxi volcano, the main steep gullies (barrancas) show
1421 the whole stratigraphic sequence of deposits emplaced during the last 5 ka consisting of an
1422 alternation of tephra and lava deposits. B) The merging of multiple sections, on the other hand,
1423 allowed a detailed reconstruction of the last 800 years of activity at Cotopaxi (Pistolesi et al.,
1424 2011). A synthetic stratigraphic log highlights the complexity and the large variability of the

1425 eruptive dynamics which led to the emplacement of lapilli and ash layers intercalated to scoria-
1426 flow deposits.

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1428 Fig. 3 In order to reconstruct the compositional variability of the erupted products, it is
1429 always important to discuss both the variability at the scale of a single eruption (or eruptive cycle)
1430 and the time-related changes in magma composition. The last 22 ka of activity at Somma-Vesuvius
1431 show a clear trend of increasing alkalinity with time, and large compositional variability of the
1432 magma erupted during single eruptions or during short eruptive cycles. The data can be discussed
1433 in terms of source-related changes in the magma feeding the shallow reservoirs, and of different
1434 processes and physico-chemical conditions of crystallization, refilling and assimilation/fluid
1435 exchange in these reservoirs (data from Santacroce et al., 2008).

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1437 Fig. 4 Detailed geochronological reconstructions of the activity of a volcano reveal the
1438 temporal trends of volcanic activity and are important to define the expected time scale for volcanic
1439 reactivation. A) The schematic chronogram of Cotopaxi activity during the last 2000 yr B.P.
1440 clearly shows the presence of eruption clusters (with no obvious intervening soils) separated by
1441 long periods during which only a few large eruptions occur (Barberi et al., 1995; Pistolesi et al.,
1442 2011). These two contrasting behaviors of the volcano over the past 2000 yrs were also observed
1443 in the eruption pattern of the past 800 yrs of activity. During the period A.D. 1150–1742, the
1444 average magma eruption rate was low, and activity consisted of isolated explosive eruptions, while
1445 during the period A.D. 1742–1880, the average magma eruption rate was higher, and activity was
1446 dominated by numerous explosive events separated by eruptive pauses that lasted from a few years
1447 to a few decades (eruption cluster). The eighteenth- to nineteenth-century cluster started with

1448 Plinian outbursts (A.D. 1742–1744), followed by very high intensity and magnitude Plinian bursts
1449 (A.D. 1766–1768). These large events were eventually followed by a period of long-lasting,
1450 moderate-intensity magma degassing mixed with staggered, low- intensity and low-magnitude
1451 explosive bursts, each dominated by a short-lived sub Plinian/violent Strombolian phase followed
1452 by boiling-over activity and associated scoria flows. B). The chronogram of the last 22 ka of
1453 activity Mt. Somma-Vesuvius volcano shows a different behavior with respect to Cotopaxi.
1454 Activity is characterized by a number of large eruptions (Plinian and subplinian) separated by
1455 repose times whose duration varies with age. In fact, while the activity between 22 and 4 ka ago
1456 was mainly characterized by episodic events of large intensity (and magnitude; Cioni et al., 2008)
1457 separated by progressively decreasing repose times, in the last 4000 years the activity became more
1458 and more frequent. The increase in frequency of the eruptions coincided with a general decrease
1459 of their intensity (and magnitude). These changes are clearly associated with changes in magma
1460 composition. Accurate geological reconstructions suggest that the observed lower frequency in the
1461 oldest activity is real and not related to an incomplete geological record, although the problem of
1462 incompleteness in the geological record should always be discussed in detail.

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1464 Fig. 5 The detailed, multiparametric reconstruction of a complex eruptive sequence is the
1465 key to the definition of the main eruptive processes which controlled past eruption, and can be
1466 used to define the range of eruption scenarios characterizing a given volcano. The Baia–Fondi di
1467 Baia eruption (9525–9696 BP) is one of the sporadic events that have occurred in the western
1468 sector of the Campi Flegrei caldera and opened Epoch 2 of the caldera activity after a 1000-year-
1469 long period of quiescence. Although relatively small in terms of erupted volume with respect to
1470 most of the events of the past 15 ka, the Baia–Fondi di Baia eruption was characterized by a

1471 complex series of events, which were reconstructed based on a detailed stratigraphic study
1472 (Pistolesi et al., 2017). The idealized composite stratigraphy of the different phases of the eruption
1473 shows how sedimentological data (grains-size and componentry) concur in identifying different
1474 eruptive locations and emplacement dynamics (on-land vs. shallow water vent, fall-out vs. PDC
1475 deposits). Bulk density (gcm^{-3}), vesicularity (vol.%), Vesicle Number Density (cm^{-3}), and
1476 decompression rate (MPas^{-1}) data linked to variations in SiO_2 , CaO , and K_2O (wt.%) contents
1477 further indicate different types of juvenile material (e.g. variable conditions during ascent in the
1478 conduit) as well as variable magma sources involved in the eruption.

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1480 Fig. 6 Simplified interpretative model of the plumbing system of Stromboli (modified by
1481 Métrich et al, 2011) based on (1) the melt compositions and melt saturation pressures recorded by
1482 sealed melt inclusions and unsealed embayments trapped during olivine crystallization, (2) the
1483 crystal textures and (3) the chemistry of Stromboli pumice and scoria samples. LP and HP refer to
1484 low- and high-porphyrific magmas, respectively, according to Francalanci et al. (2004).

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1486 Fig. 7 (a) Example of a simplified system analysis of the zoning patterns recorded in olivine
1487 crystals of 1991-1993 Etna eruption. Each box represents a magmatic reservoir of different
1488 composition identified by the overall core plateau compositions and zoning patterns. M0, M1 and
1489 M2 represent end member reservoirs whereas mm1 is a reservoir of mixing. The colored lines
1490 represent the zoning patterns recorded in single olivine crystals. The arrows indicate the direction
1491 of the zonings from core to rim (see details in the original paper). (b) Information distilled from
1492 (a) to highlight the three main magma pathways M0–M1–mm1 (light gray bar) M1–mm1 (dark
1493 gray bar) and M2– mm1 (black bar). (c) An example of a physical plumbing system that is

1494 consistent with (a) and (b). Black dotted lines mark the preferred path followed by many crystals.
1495 Various timescales (Δt_1 , Δt_2 and Δt_3) that can be extracted from kinetic modeling relate to
1496 duration of residence of melts in different segments of the plumbing system, as shown here. From
1497 Kahl et al. (2011).

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1499 Fig. 8 Phase equilibria of Vesuvius phonolites (Scaillet et al., 2008) showing pre-eruptive
1500 conditions inferred for the AD 79 Pompei and AD 472 Pollena events. The top panels show the
1501 isobaric-polythermal phase relationships at 200 MPa (2 kbar) for the two compositions as a
1502 function of temperature and fluid composition, here expressed as the mole fraction of water
1503 ($X_{H_2Ofluid}$). The bottom panels show the polybaric-isothermal sections as a function also of
1504 $X_{H_2Ofluid}$. For the isobaric sections, the correspondence with dissolved melt water content
1505 (H_2O_{melt}) is given on the horizontal axis. All sections have been established at an fO_2 one log unit
1506 above the Ni-NiO transition (NNO+1). Black squares represent experimental charges. The stability
1507 fields of the main phases are labelled with mineral acronyms lying inside the corresponding
1508 stability field. The dashed line represents the volume proportion of crystals at 10%. The inferred
1509 pre-eruptive conditions are indicated by the red filled box and corresponds to the T- $X_{H_2Ofluid}$
1510 locus where the phenocryst assemblage observed in the pumices is experimentally reproduced.
1511 The green rectangle gives the melt water content inferred from the analyses of melt inclusions in
1512 phenocrysts (Cioni, 2000). For the Pompeii eruption, it is possible to reproduce the phenocrysts
1513 proportion and assemblage at 200 MPa, whereas for the Pollena event this is possible only at 100
1514 MPa. This shows that the level of magma accumulation beneath Vesuvius shifted from 200 MPa
1515 up to 100 MPa, or about 3 km depth less, in less than 400 years. Acronyms for phases are as

1516 follows: Feld: feldspar, Leuc: leucite; Scap: scapolite; Neph: nepheline; Cpx: clinopyroxene; Gt:
1517 garnet; Amph: amphibole, Sod: sodalite.

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1519 Fig. 9. a) The contrasted solubilities of H₂O and CO₂ in shoshonite melts from Campi Flegrei
1520 volcano (Vetere et al. 2011). The solid lines represent isobars. The dashed lines are isopleths of
1521 constant fluid composition for the melts saturated with H₂O–CO₂-bearing fluids. The various
1522 symbols indicate the pressure (in MPa) at which the solubility experiments (symbols with attached
1523 errors) were done with either pure H₂O (horizontal axis) or mixed H₂O–CO₂ fluids. Note the
1524 contrasted solubilities of water (wt%) and CO₂ (ppm). b) Simulation of gas composition during
1525 the ascent of a rhyolitic magma (Burgisser and Scaillet, 2007). This type of simulation uses the
1526 solubility laws for the volatile species present in the system, in the example shown H₂O, H₂, SO₂,
1527 H₂S, S₂. The simulations show the variation of H₂S/SO₂ ratio in the gas phase of an ascending
1528 rhyolitic magmas (initially lying at 2000 bar) for various starting conditions in terms of redox state
1529 (here expressed as dNNO) and amount of fluid phase initially presents in the reservoir. The vertical
1530 black rectangle indicates the measured H₂O/SO₂ ratio of actual volcanic gases at silicic volcanoes,
1531 showing that the simulation broadly captures the first order chemical patterns expressed by
1532 volcanic gases.

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1534 Fig. 10 Image of experimentally mixed magmas under either dry or hydrous conditions
1535 (Laumonier et al., 2014). All experiments were performed at 300 MPa but at different temperatures
1536 depending on the dry or hydrous character of the system, as indicated on the figure. In both dry
1537 and hydrous conditions, the transition between no mixing (left panels) and onset of mixing (right
1538 panels) occurs over a very short temperature interval (about 10-15°C) and is related to the slight

1539 change in crystal proportion that controls the viscosity of the mafic end-member (basalt
1540 composition, always lying at the bottom). The overlying felsic end member is a crystal-free dacite
1541 melt. Note that prior to the onset of mixing the boundary between the two end-members remains
1542 sharp and straight, while when mixing starts a crenulate interface develops with production of
1543 enclaves (right down panel) that may in turn disaggregate as deformation proceeds (top right
1544 panel). For each run, the amount of finite deformation applied to the sample is given (γ). Run
1545 durations are on the order of a few hours each.

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1547 Fig. 11 The conditions favoring magma mixing at 200 MPa. The different panels show the
1548 evolution of the viscosities of the mafic-felsic magmas being juxtaposed depending on fraction of
1549 mafic magma injected into the felsic reservoir (Laumonier et al., 2014). The starting temperature
1550 of each magma is given (figures color-coded with viscosity trends). Felsic magmas are all water
1551 saturated while the basalt may be either dry (1145°C) or H₂O-saturated (980°C). In each panel,
1552 optimum mixing conditions are reached when the two viscosity curves cross-over. The vertical
1553 thick grey lines give the proportion of the mafic magma needed to achieve conditions favorable to
1554 mixing as well as the temperature of the homogeneous mixture so produced. The SiO₂ content of
1555 that mixture is given on the horizontal top axis of each panel. Numbers labelling each curves give
1556 the crystal fraction in each end-member (the r parameter is the average axial ratio of crystals, which
1557 controls the bulk viscosity, see Laumonier et al. (2014)). In every case, the proportion of crystals
1558 increases in the mafic component, while it decreases in the felsic one, the latter ending almost
1559 always crystal-free by the time mixing is possible (vertical grey lines). For instance, the production
1560 of a homogeneous andesitic magma by mixing a hydrous basalt at 980°C with a rhyolite at 780°C
1561 (panel F), requires the injection of 76 wt% basalt into the rhyolitic reservoir. This ends-up

1562 producing an andesite mixture with 57 wt% SiO₂ at a temperature of 934°C. In general, when the
1563 composition of two end-members mixed strongly differ from each other (ie basalt with rhyolite),
1564 the proportion of mafic magma is about 70 wt% (to achieve equal viscosities).

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1566 Fig. 12 The effect of decompression on the volatile contents of silicate melts. The figure
1567 shows the measured H₂O and CO₂ contents of basaltic glasses (using a basalt from Stromboli as
1568 starting material) obtained in decompression experiments simulating magma ascent at Stromboli
1569 (Pichavant et al., 2013). The circles represent the starting conditions of each experiment in terms
1570 of volatile content. The oblique thin continuous lines are the isobaric H₂O-CO₂ contents, calculated
1571 using the model of Papale et al. (2006). Squares show the volatile contents of glasses measured
1572 after decompression and quenching at a final pressure of 45-50 MPa at different ascent rates (0.25
1573 to 1.5 m/s). Losange symbols are experiments quenched at 25 MPa final pressure. The
1574 correspondence between starting and final conditions is color coded (i.e. grey circles correspond
1575 to grey squares). The arrowed thin dashed lines are the equilibrium melt volatile contents
1576 calculated for each starting composition, using Papale et al. (2006)'s model. Such calculated paths
1577 are typically near vertical for the high-pressure part of the decompression interval, reflecting the
1578 preferential loss of CO₂, owing to its much lower solubility compared to H₂O, the latter remaining
1579 dissolved for the most part. It is only close to the surface that H₂O is lost. The experiments show,
1580 however, that in out-of equilibrium experiments, quenched glasses preserve a high pressure
1581 signature of CO₂, whose intensity depends on the ascent rate. Supersaturation in CO₂ arising from
1582 decompression may thus give rise to patterns resembling those produced by CO₂-gas fluxing at
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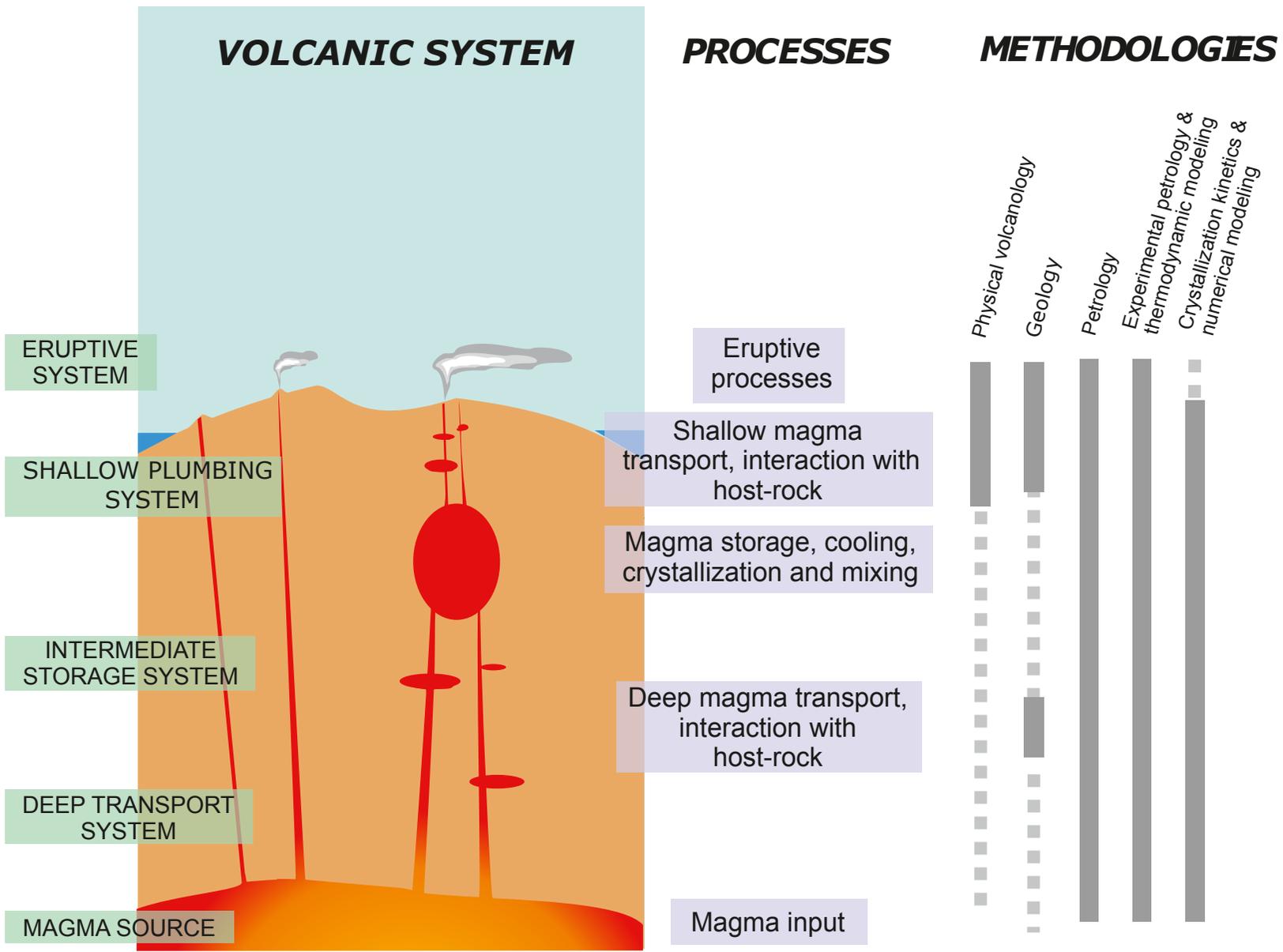
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1586 Table 1 The detailed study of the deposits of the different eruptions at a volcano represents
1587 the basis for the reconstruction of the reference eruption scenarios. The table shows the range of
1588 compositional and physical parameters which characterized the explosive activity at Somma-
1589 Vesuvius and that have been used to characterize six different eruptive styles which represent the
1590 reference eruption scenarios for hazard assessment and emergency planning.

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ERUPTIVE SYSTEM

SHALLOW PLUMBING SYSTEM

INTERMEDIATE STORAGE SYSTEM

DEEP TRANSPORT SYSTEM

MAGMA SOURCE

Eruptive processes

Shallow magma transport, interaction with host-rock

Magma storage, cooling, crystallization and mixing

Deep magma transport, interaction with host-rock

Magma input

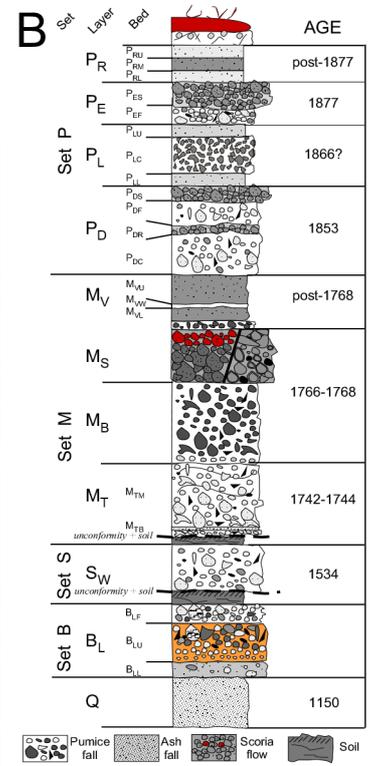
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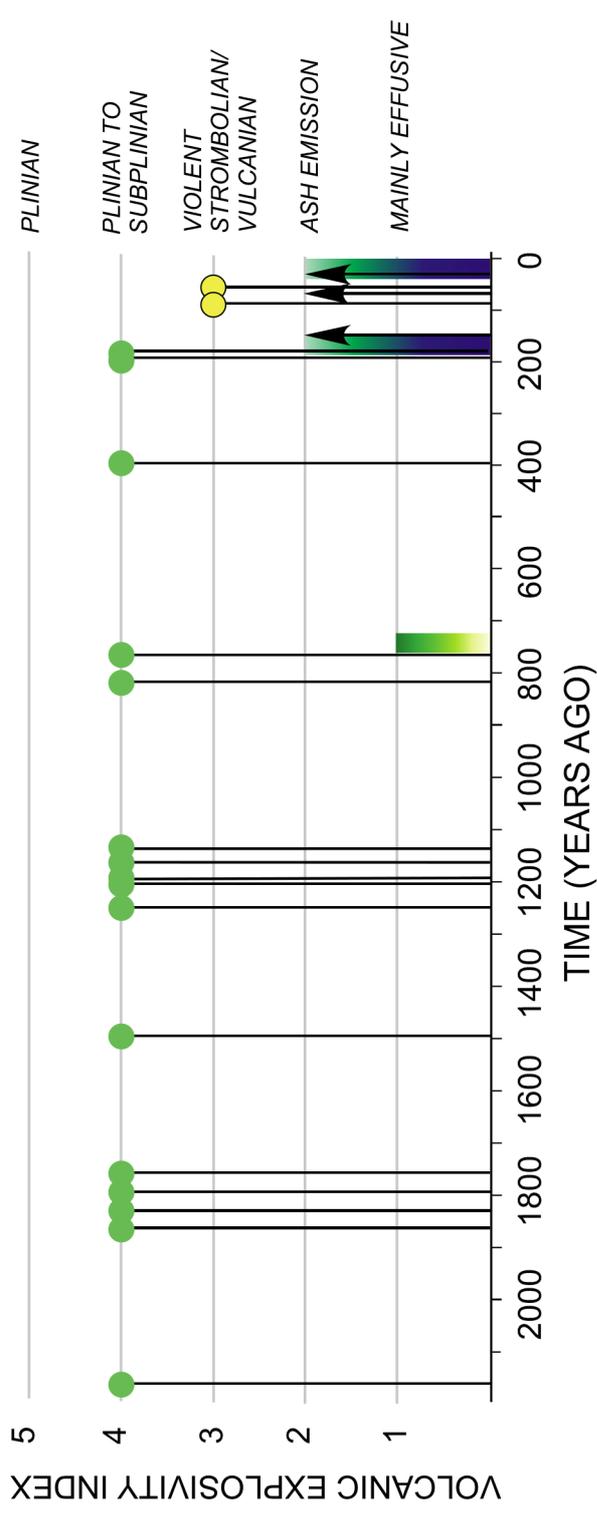
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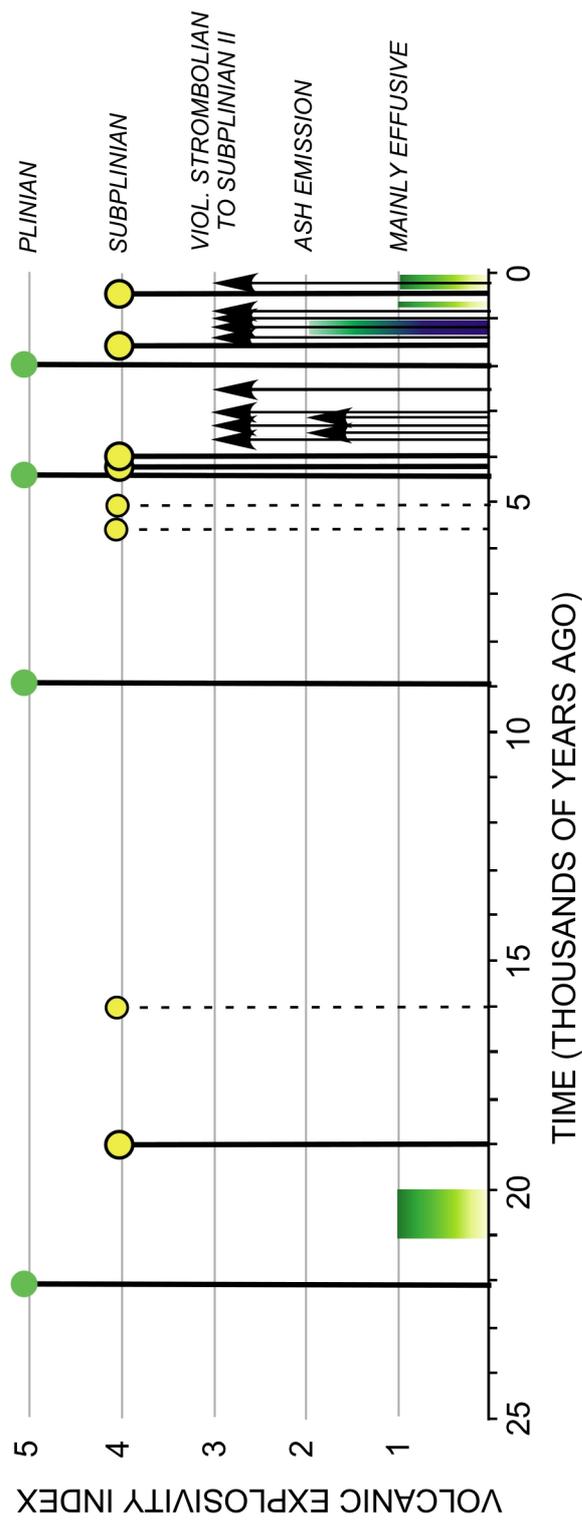
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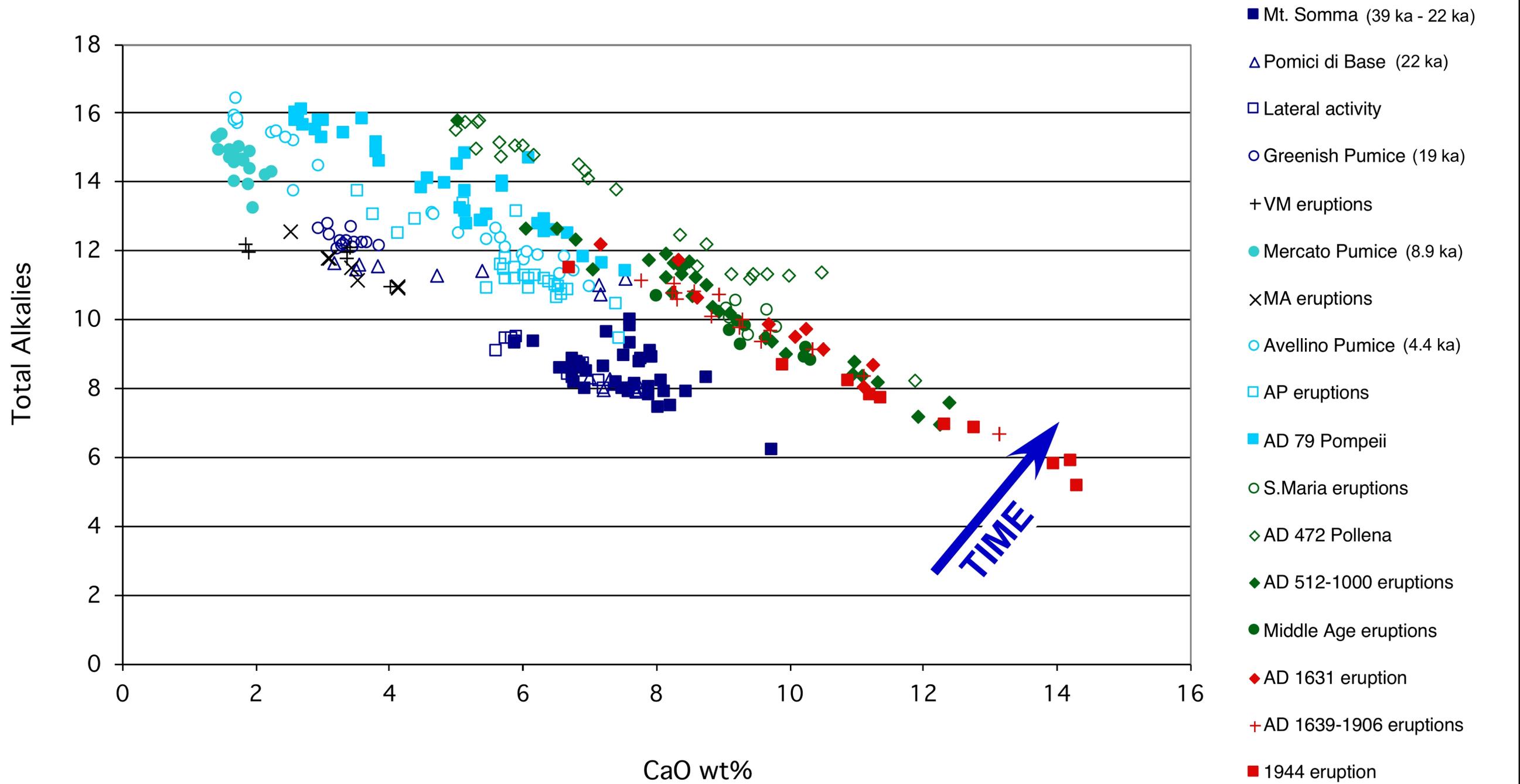


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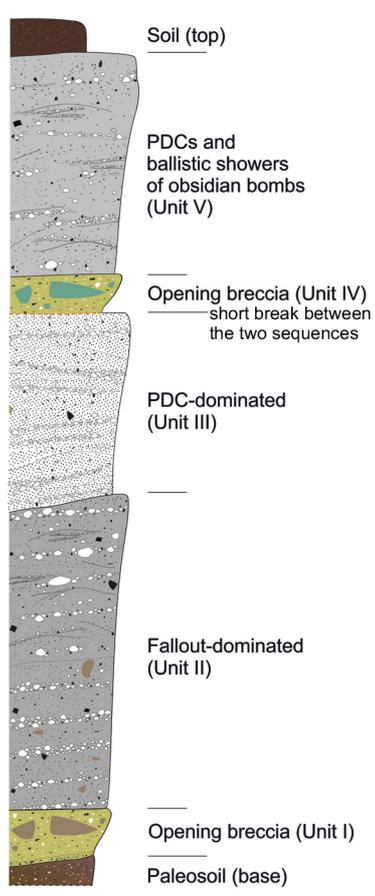
B) SOMMA-VESUVIUS





Fondi di Baia sequence

Baia sequence



Samples	M _d Φ		σΦ		Components	Density (g cm ⁻³)			Vesicularity (vol.%)			VND (E+07 cm ⁻³)			dP/dt (MPa s ⁻¹)			SiO ₂ (wt.%)			CaO (wt.%)			K ₂ O (wt.%)				
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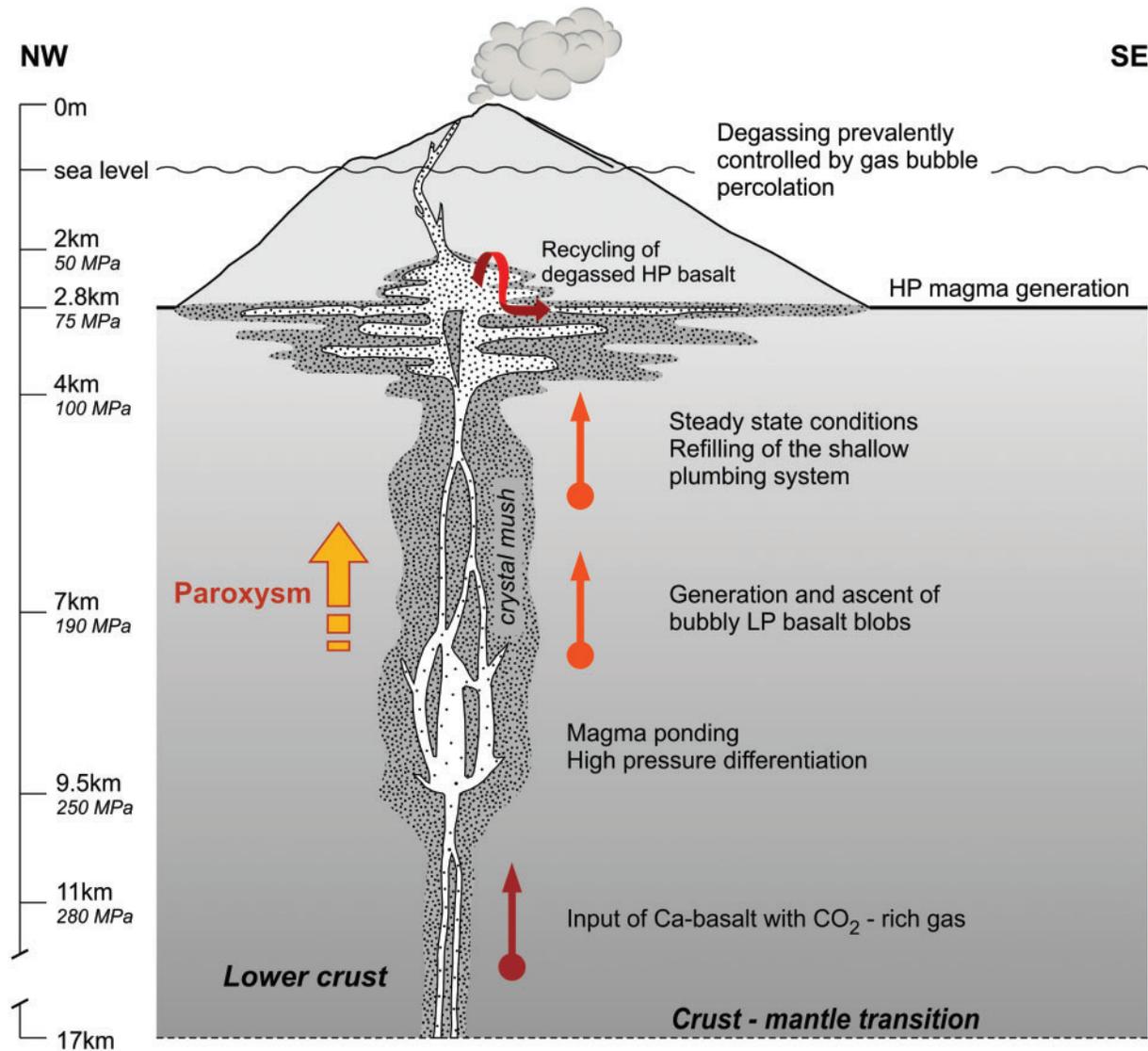


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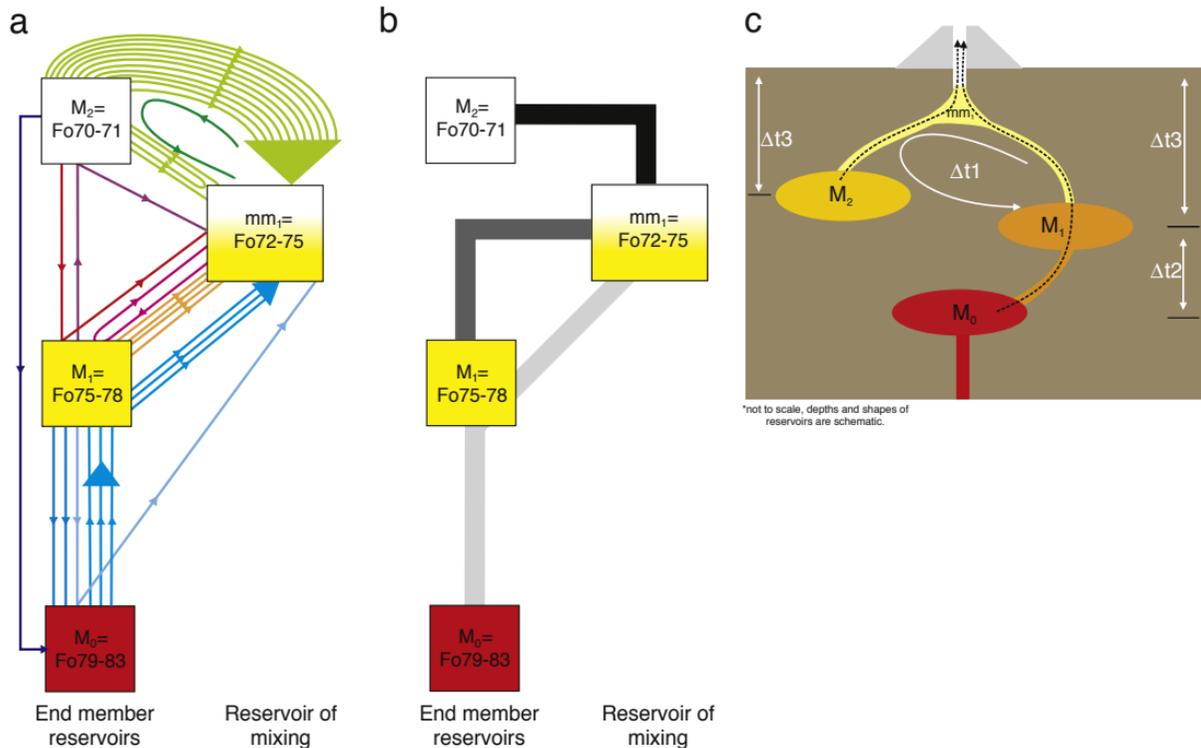


Fig. 4. The plumbing system: (a) Simplified systems analysis of the zoning patterns recorded in olivine crystals erupted between December 1991 and March 1992. Each box represents a magmatic reservoir of different composition identified by the overall core plateau compositions and zoning patterns. M_0 , M_1 and M_2 represent end member reservoirs (M_0 = Fo79-83, M_1 = Fo75-78 and M_2 = Fo70-71), whereas mm_1 is a reservoir of mixing. The colored lines represent the zoning patterns recorded in single olivine crystals. The arrows indicate the direction of the zonings from core to rim. All reservoirs are connected with each other. The density of the connection lines can be used to infer the dominant passageways of magma transport. (b) Information distilled from (a) to highlight the three main magma pathways M_0 - M_1 - mm_1 (light gray bar) M_1 - mm_1 (dark gray bar) and M_2 - mm_1 (black bar). (c) An example of a physical plumbing system that is consistent with (a) and (b). Other possibilities exist. Locations and connectivity of reservoirs are time integrated, at any given time one or more of these may not have existed. Black dotted lines mark the preferred path followed by many crystals. Various timescales (Δt_1 , Δt_2 and Δt_3) that can be extracted from kinetic modeling relate to duration of residence of melts in different segments of the plumbing system, as shown here.

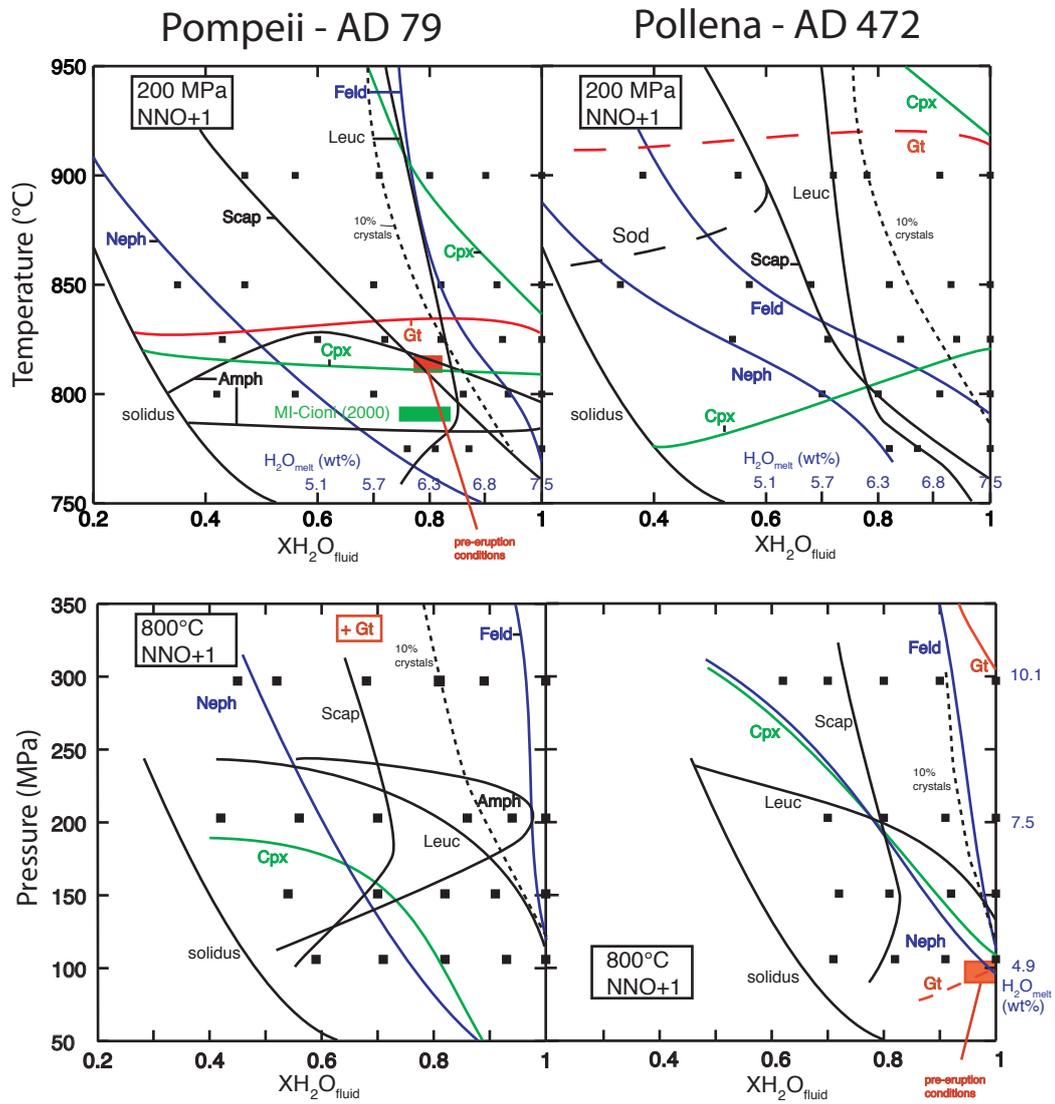
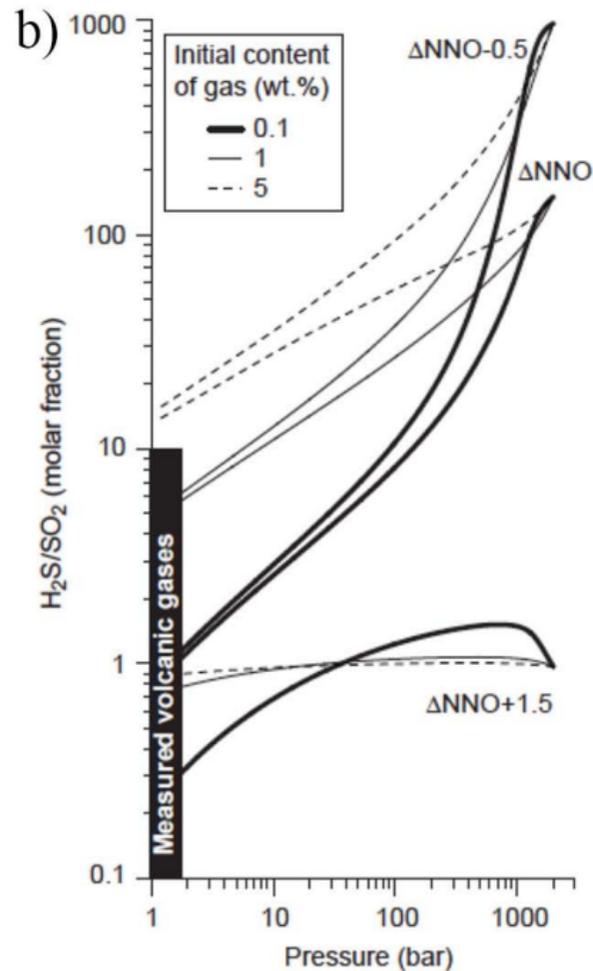
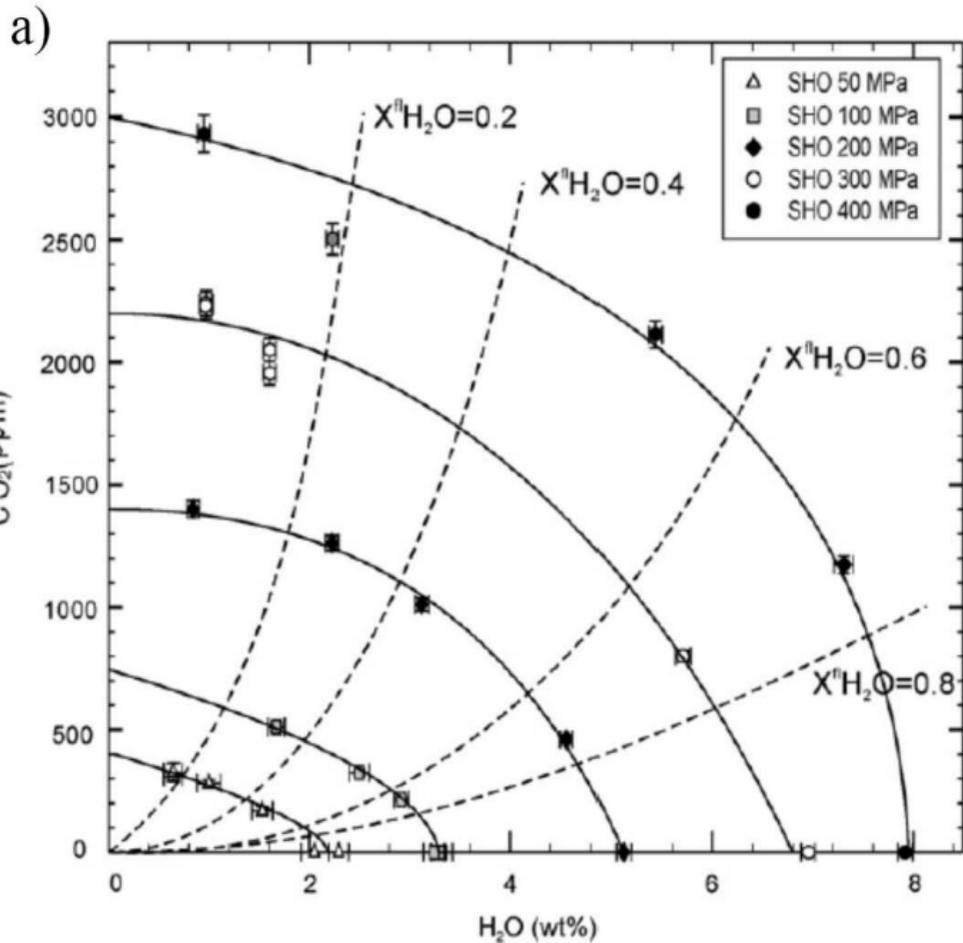
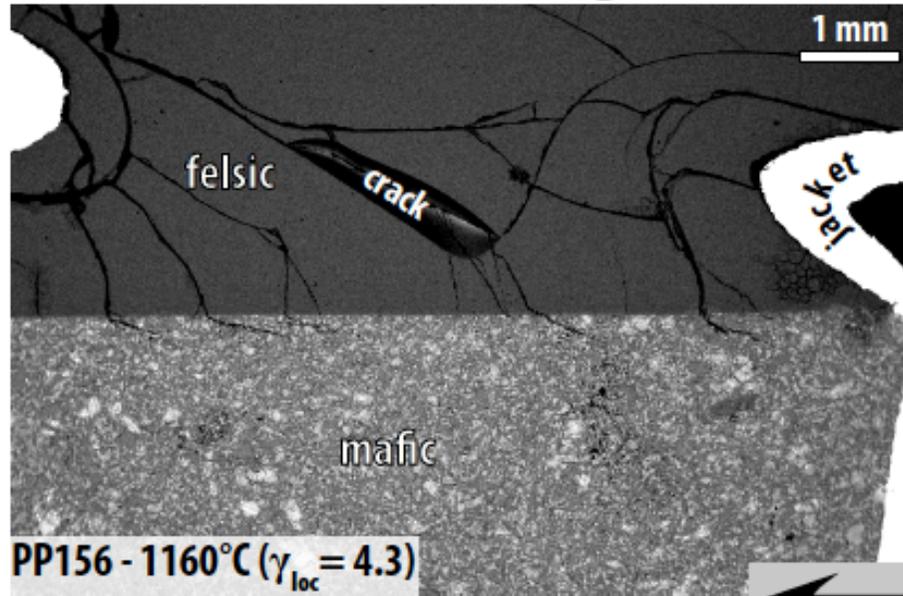


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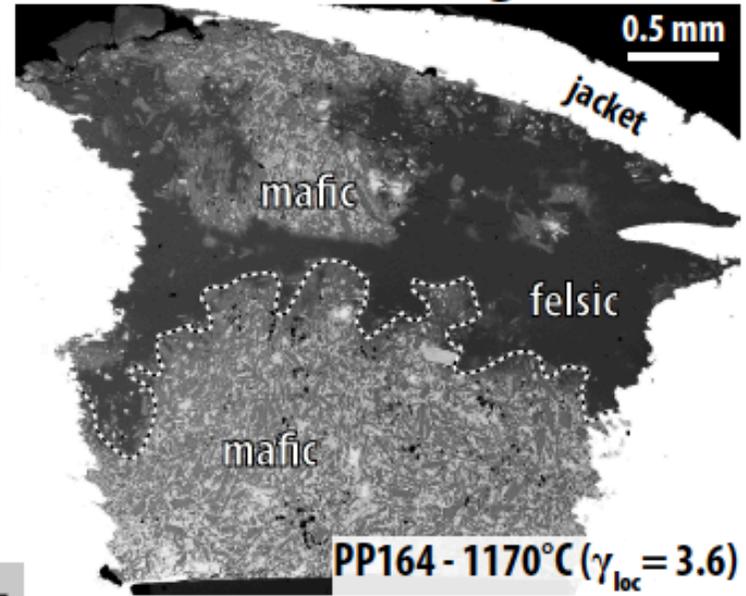


Dry Experiments

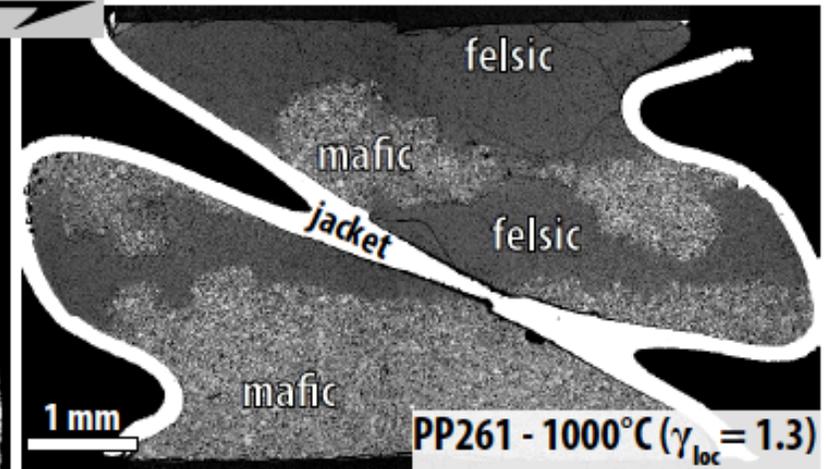
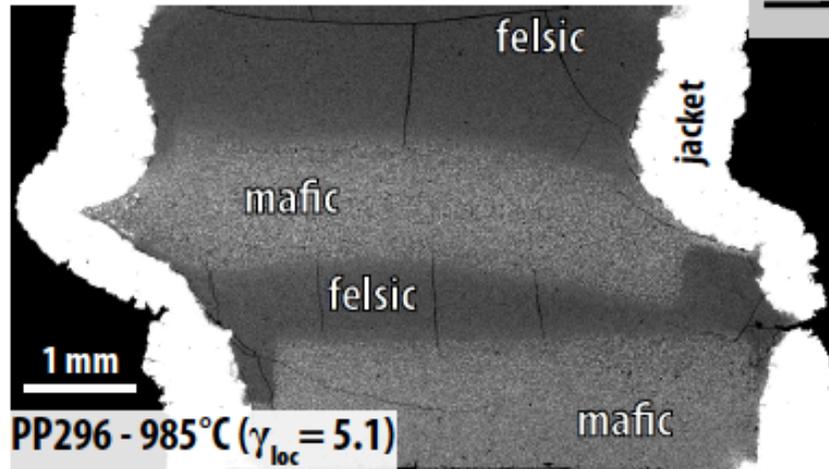
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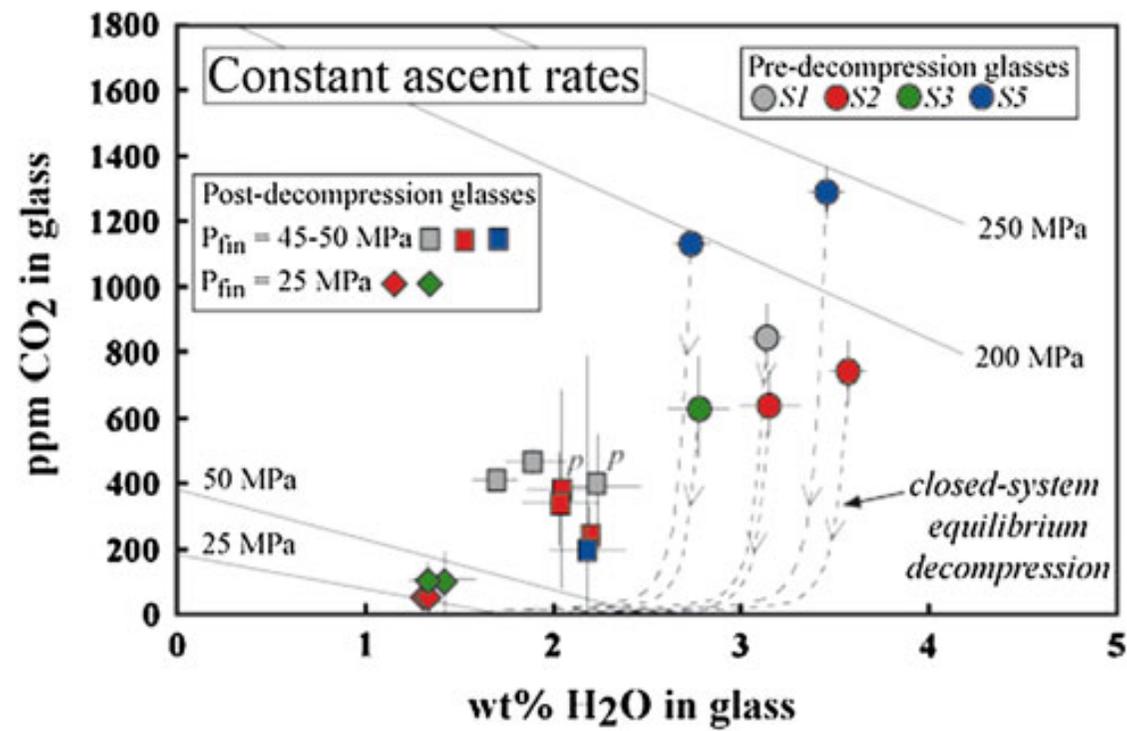


B) Mixing



Hydrous Exp.





Eruption style	Repose years	Volume Km³	Peak MDR Kg s⁻¹	Plume height Km	PDC	Composition	SiO₂ wt%	Alkali wt%	H₂O wt%	CO₂ ppm
Plinian <i>AD 79, 4400 BP</i>	10 ² - 10 ³	10 ⁰ - 10 ¹	10 ⁷ - 10 ⁸	> 20	Yes	(Trachyte) Phonolite to Teph.-Phonolite	54 – 61 54 – 62	8 – 12.5 11 - 16	5-6 (4400 BP) 6 (AD 79)	0-2000 bdl
Sub-Plinian I <i>AD 472, 1631</i>	10 ²	10 ⁻¹ - 10 ⁰	10 ⁷	15 - 20	Yes	(Trachyte) Teph.-Phonolite to P-Tephrite	58 - 60 48 - 52	11 – 16 (8 – 12 AD1631)	2.5 (salic) <5 (mafic)	0 – 200 2000
Sub-Plinian II <i>AP1, AP2, AD 512 ...</i>	10 ²	10 ⁻² – 10 ⁻¹	10 ⁶ - 10 ⁷	10 - 15	Minor	Teph- Phonolite to Phon.-Tephrite	48 - 54	8 - 11	No data	No data
Viol. Strombolian <i>1906, 1944</i>	10 ¹ - 10 ²	10 ⁻³ – 10 ⁻¹	10 ⁵ - 10 ⁶	5 - 10	Minor Avalanching	Tephrite to Phon.- Tephrite	48 - 52	6 - 12	2 - 4	0 - 2000
Ash emission events <i>AD 79 – 472 period, ...</i>	10 ¹ - 10 ²	Up to 10 ⁻² (cumulative)	10 ⁵ (Viol Stromb. Phases) 10 ³ (Average)	< 5	No	Teph-Phonolite to Phon.-Tephrite	49 - 51	9 - 12	1 – 2	0 – 1000
Mild strombolian <i>Post 1631 period, ...</i>	10 ⁰ - 10 ¹	10 ⁻³		No convective plume	No	Tephrite to Phon.- Tephrite	47 – 49	7 - 11	No data	No data