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A scientist in his laboratory is not a mere technician: he is also a child confronting natural phenomena that impress him as though they were fairy tales.

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I. Abstract

The only known habitable planet is the Earth. As geological processes are what led to Earth's habitability, understanding Earth's geodynamic evolution is of crucial importance. However, the geodynamic processes of the early Earth, during the Hadean (>4.0Ga), remain enigmatic. This is a consequence of Earth's accessible rock record beginning as late as in the Eoarchean, more than 500 Ma after Earth has accreted. Unraveling Earth's earliest processes therefore requires indirect methods such as isotope systematics. Variations in the isotope composition of short-lived decay systems such as ¹²⁹I-¹²⁹Xe, ¹⁴⁶Sm-¹⁴²Nd, or ¹⁸²Hf-¹⁸²W have provided strong evidence that substantial geodynamic processes on Earth (e.g. silicate differentiation) already operated during the Hadean. Constraints on Hadean geodynamics are further corroborated by long-lived ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁷⁶Hf and ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd isotope systematics that support a complex and active history for the infant Earth. Evidence for such a vigorous early planetary evolution is found not only on Earth but also on our closest neighbor, the Moon. Although lunar research has shown that Earth and Moon must be closely related in terms of the material from which it accreted, it remains highly debated if these planetary bodies are chondritic or not.

This study investigates the differentiation history of the Earth-Moon system. In three chapters, we report the isotope compositions of various long- and short-lived decay series for 3.53 to 2.63 Ga Archean rocks from the Pilbara Craton (¹³⁸La-¹³⁸Ce, ¹⁴⁷-¹⁴³Nd and ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁷⁶Hf, Chapter I), ~3.8 to 2.0 Ga rocks from SW Greenland (^{147,146}Sm-^{143,142}Nd and ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁷⁶Hf, Chapter II) and 4.4 to 3.1 Ga lunar rocks (¹³⁸La-¹³⁸Ce and ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd, Chapter III). In rocks from the Pilbara Craton, Ce-Nd-Hf isotope compositions are strongly coupled and yield correlations that are similar to those observed in modern mantle-derived rocks. However, a few ultramafic rocks reveal decoupled Hf-Nd isotope compositions, where extremely high ϵ Hf_(i) values but only moderately elevated ϵ^{143} Nd_(i) values are observed. This decoupling stands in contrast to the previously observed decoupling of Hf-Nd isotopes in Isua rocks from SW Greenland, where ε^{143} Nd_(i) scatters variable and ε Hf_(i) being moderately elevated. In order to better constrain the origin of this decoupling we have conducted trace element and Hf-Nd-(Ce) isotope modelling. For both studied Archean localities, we were able to exclude a perovskite-related origin within a magma ocean, since sequestered perovskite cumulates would severely fractionate incompatible trace element compositions (REE, HFSE Th and Ti) (Chapter I and Chapter II). Rather, the decoupling of Hf-Nd isotopes in the Pilbara Craton is formed by the admixture of garnet-depleted melt residues into the ascending mantle plume that have a high potential to fractionate the ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁷⁶Hf from ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd systematics. In contrast, in the Isua region enriched slab melts were likely responsible for the observed decoupling of Hf-Nd isotopes. Further, we have developed a new analytical tool to separate and measure mass independent and radiogenic isotopes at ultra-high precision on a Thermo Finnigan Neptune Plus[®] MC ICP-MS device (Chapter II). We applied our new analytical protocol to well-characterized ~3.8 to ~3.4 Ga rocks from the Isua supracrustal belt. Our observed ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd compositions of Isua rocks yield excellent agreement with previously reported literature data, validating our analytical protocol. Notably, our study is the first to resolve small ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd differences between

~3.8 and ~3.7 Ga rocks from the Isua greenstone belt. Generally, we see a decrease of μ^{142} Nd anomalies between ~3.8 to ~3.4 Ga that can be interpreted to reflect replenishing lower mantle (i.e., bulk silicate Earth material) that carried no μ^{142} Nd anomalies. To better characterize the composition of the Earth-Moon system, we investigated ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd and ¹³⁸La-¹³⁸Ce isotope systematics as well as trace element characteristics of lunar rocks (Chapter III). Generally, all uncertainty-propagated Ce-Nd isotope best fit arrays do not intersect the chondritic value, arguing for a non-chondritic composition of the Moon. Combined trace element and Hf-Nd-Ce isotope modelling, including coupled ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁷⁶Hf-¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd systematics from existing literature data, reveals that the Moon must be depleted in its incompatible trace element composition. However, the degree of depletion must be significantly smaller than inferred in previous models. In a next step, we compare Ce-Nd isotope compositions of near-contemporaneous 3.3±0.25 Ga lunar and terrestrial rocks from the Pilbara (Chapter I) and Kaapvaal Craton. Our study reveals that the Archean terrestrial rock record also does not intersect the chondritic value. Instead, the lunar and terrestrial array share a common intersection that is indistinguishable from our modelled one. We take this as evidence that not only the Moon but also Earth must be slightly depleted. These findings have far-reaching consequences and require a revaluation of depleted and primitive mantle domains and their mass balances in terrestrial crustal and mantle reservoirs.

II. Kurzzusammenfassung

Die Erde ist der einzige uns bekannt Planet auf dem es Leben gibt. Da es die geologischen Prozesse waren, die die Erde zu einem bewohnbaren Planeten geformt haben, ist das Verständnis der frühen geodynamischen Erdgeschichte von zentraler Bedeutung. Gerade jedoch die frühen geodynamischen Prozesse des Hadaikums bleiben noch immer rätselhaft, da selbst die ältesten Gesteine der Erde das Eoarchaikum nicht überschreiten und somit mehr als 500 Ma hadaischer Erdgeschichte nicht länger erhalten sind. Um diese frühen Prozesse dennoch zu entschlüsseln haben sich indirekte Methoden bewährt. Variationen in der Isotopenzusammensetzung von kurzlebigen Zerfallssystemen wie ¹²⁹I-¹²⁹Xe, ¹⁴⁶Sm-¹⁴²Nd, oder ¹⁸²Hf-¹⁸²W haben starke Belege geliefert, dass bereits im Hadaikum geodynamische Prozesse (z.B. Silikat Differenzierung) abliefen. Nachweise für geodynamische Prozesse im Hadaikum sind auch durch die beiden langlebigen Zerfallsreihen ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁷⁶Hf und ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd gesichert, die eine aktive und komplexe Geschichte der jungen Erde belegen. Die Belege für eine so lebhafte frühe planetare Entwicklung finden sich jedoch nicht nur auf der Erde, sondern auch auf unserem nächsten Nachbarn, dem Mond. Obwohl die Mondforschung der letzten Jahrzehnte zeigen konnte, dass Erde und Mond von sehr ähnlichem Material akkretierten, bleibt die Frage nach einer chondritischen Zusammensetzung für diese beiden planetaren Körper noch immer hochumstritten.

Diese Studie untersucht die Differenzierungsgeschichte des frühen Erde-Mond Systems. In drei Kapiteln werden Isotopenzusammensetzungen für verschiedene kurz- und langlebige Zerfallsreihen für 3.53 bis 2.63 Ga archaische Gesteine vom Pilbara Kraton in NW Australien (¹³⁸La-¹³⁸Ce, ¹⁴⁷-¹⁴³Nd und ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁷⁶Hf, **Kapitel I**), ~3.8 bis 2.0 Ga Gesteine aus SW Grönland (^{147,146}Sm-^{143,142}Nd und ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁷⁶Hf, **Kapitel II**) und 4.4 bis 3.1 Ga Mondgesteine (¹³⁸La-¹³⁸Ce und ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd, Kapitel III) berichtet. In den Gesteinen des Pilbara Kratons sind Ce-Nd-Hf Isotope stark gekoppelt und ähneln in ihrer Zusammensetzung denen aus rezenten Mantelgesteinen. Allerdings zeigen ein paar ultramafische Gesteine entkoppelte Hf-Nd Isotopenzusammensetzungen in denen stark erhöhte εHf_(i) aber nur moderate erhöhte ϵ^{143} Nd_(i) Werte beobachtet werden. Diese Arte der Entkopplung ist gegensätzlich zu der die in Isua Gesteinen aus SW Grönland beobachtet wird, wo ε¹⁴³Nd_(i) Werte stark streuen, εHf_(i) Werte jedoch konstant sind. Um den Ursprung dieser Entkopplung besser zu verstehen, werden Spurenelement und Hf-Nd-(Ce) Isotopenmodellierungen durchgeführt. Für beide Archaische Lokalitäten kann ein Perovskit-bezogener Ursprung innerhalb eines Magma Ozeans ausgeschlossen werden, da solche Perovskit Kumulate die Zusammensetzung an inkompatiblen Spurenelementen (REE, HFSE, Th und Ti) zu stark fraktionieren würden. (Kapitel I und Kapitel II). Im Pilbara Kraton wird die Entkopplung von Hf-Nd Isotopen eher durch das Beimischen von Granat-verarmte Schmelzresiduen in den aufsteigenden Mantelplume hervorgerufen, die hohes Potential haben, das ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁷⁶Hf vom ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd Zerfallssystem zu fraktionieren. Im Gegensatz dazu waren in der Isua Region wahrscheinlich Slab-Schmelzen für die Entkopplung von Hf-Nd Isotopen verantwortlich. Darüber hinaus wird eine neue analytische Methodik beschrieben, die die Abtrennung und Messung von massenunabhängigen und radiogenen Nd Isotope in ultra-hoher Präzision an einer Thermo Finnigan Neptune Plus[®] MC ICP-MS ermöglicht (Kapitel II). Diese neue analytische Methodik wird and gut charakterisierten ~3.8 bis ~3.4 Ga Gesteinen des Isua

suprakrustalen Grünsteingürtels angewendet. Die hier beobachteten ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd Isotopen Zusammensetzungen zeigen eine hervorragende Übereinstimmung mit bereits publizierten Literaturdaten und validieren unsere neue analytische Methodik. Darüber hinaus ist diese Studie die erste die es schafft kleine ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd Isotopenunterschiede zwischen den ~3.8 und ~3.7 Ga Gesteinen auflösen zu können. Ein generelles Abnehmen an μ^{142} Nd Anomalien zwischen ~3.8 bis 3.4 Ga wird als Homogenisierung durch den darunter liegenden Mantel interpretiert, der keine µ142Nd Anomalien aufweist und vermutlich die Durchschnittszusammensetzung der Erde hatte. Um die Zusammensetzung des Erde-Mond Systems besser zu bestimmen werden ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd und ¹³⁸La-¹³⁸Ce Isotopensystematiken sowie Spurenelementzusammensetzungen von Mondgesteinen untersucht (Kapitel III). Generell schneidet keiner der fehlerfortgepflanzten Ce-Nd Isotopen Arrays die chondritische Zusammensetzung, was für eine nicht-chondritische Zusammensetzung des Mondes spricht. Kombinierte Hf-Nd-Ce Isotopen- sowie Spurenelement-Modellierungen, die auch ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁷⁶Hf und ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd Systematiken aus Literaturdaten miteinbeziehen, zeigen, dass der Mond in seiner inkompatiblen Spurenelementzusammensetzung verarmt sein muss. Allerdings muss der Grad der Verarmung deutlich geringer sein als in bisherigen Modellen postuliert. In einem nächsten Schritt werden die Ce-Nd Isotopenzusammensetzungen von nahezu gleichaltrigen 3.3±0.25 Ga Gesteinen der Pilbara (Kapitel I) und Kaapvaal Kratons verglichen. Diese Studie enthüllt, dass auch terrestrische fehlerfortgepflanzte Arrays nicht die chondritische Zusammensetzung schneiden. Dafür zeigen der lunare und terrestrische Array einen gemeinsamen Schnittpunkt der von der hier modellierten Zusammensetzung des Mondes ununterscheidbar ist. Das wird als Beleg interpretiert, dass nicht nur der Mond, sondern auch die Erde leicht verarmt sein muss. Diese Erkenntnis hat weitreichende Konsequenzen und erfordern eine Neubewertung von verarmten und primitiven Reservoiren und deren Massenbilanzen in terrestrischen krustalen und Mantelreservoiren.

III. Introduction

III.1. The early solar system

Investigating the solar system's oldest materials provides insights into its initial stages, and the subsequent formation processes of planetary bodies. A profound knowledge of these primordial processes can account for Earth's unique characteristics and how it became a habitable planet. Insights into the initial stages of our solar system come from astronomical investigations of other young solar systems combined with modelling constraints based on isotope systematics and the composition of early solar system materials. In combination, these methods have helped us to understand how planets formed from a primordial molecular cloud. The oldest dated matter from our solar system are 4.568 Ga Calcium-Aluminum-rich inclusions (CAIs). This age is interpreted to represent the solar system initial (SSI), the moment where the first solid material has condensed (Lugmair and Shukolyukov, 1998; Scott and Krot, 2005; Jacobsen et al., 2008; Bouvier and Wadhwa, 2010; Krot, 2019).

Chondrites formed in the first few Ma of the solar system (Trieloff et al., 2003; Bizzarro et al., 2005; Bouvier et al., 2007; Kleine et al., 2008), representing the most primitive meteorite class. Chondrites acquired their name from the broad presence of chondrules, that are round objects typically varying in size between µm to mm. Many chondrules show chemical zoning that resulted from subsequent gas-melt reactions with the remaining solar nebular (Friend et al., 2016; Barosch et al., 2019). Interstitial matrix is another major component of chondrites. It has been shown previously that the chemical composition of matrix and chondrules show complementary Mg/Si ratios, strongly arguing that both components originated from the same region of the solar nebular (Hezel and Palme, 2010; Palme et al., 2015). In addition, chondrites also contain minor amounts of Fe-Ni metal alloys, amoeboid olivine aggregates, and refractory phases such as CAIs (Krot et al., 2004; Scott and Krot, 2005; Krot, 2019). Chondrites are broadly subdivided into three groups



Fig. III.1: Proportions of the s-, r-, and p-process on the formation of Nd isotopes. Abbreviations p, s, and r rand their denoted numbers refer to the proportions of the respective process. Dashed s-process lines represent minor s-process branches. Data for the proportions of s, r, and p-process contributions to different isotopes were taken from Bisterzo et al., (2014).

comprising (i) enstatite, (ii) ordinary, and (iii) carbonaceous chondrites. Chondrites are generally regarded as the most unprocessed and primitive material of our solar system that resisted and/or escaped early solar system processes (e.g., Mezger et al., 2020). However, some chondrules record evidence of a complex history including several heating and remelting events, arguing against the pristineness of some chondrites (Rubin, 2010). Refractory lithophile trace elements bear near-constant ratios in chondrites, making them suitable as a reference reservoir for normalizing selected trace elements (e.g., rare earth elements; hereinafter REE or most high field strength elements; hereinafter denoted as HFSE) and long-lived isotope systematics (¹³⁸La-¹³⁶Ce, ^{146,147}Sm-^{142,143}Nd, or ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁷⁶Hf) (Bouvier et al., 2008; Palme and O'Neill, 2013; Israel et al., 2019; Willig and Stracke, 2019), an assumption that is challenged in **Chapter III**.

Despite the widespread view that chondrites represent the bulk Earth composition for a variety of elemental compositions, many elements (e.g., Ti, Cr, Zr, Mo, Ru, or Nd isotopes) reveal an isotopic zonation with respect to the heliocentric distance of their formation (Trinquier et al., 2009; Burkhardt et al., 2016; Fischer-Gödde and Kleine, 2017; Render et al., 2017; Boyet et al., 2018; Mezger et al., 2020). Generally, isotopic differences originate from neutron/proton capture reactions during nucleosynthesis. At least three different processes are needed to explain the isotopic inventory of our solar system (Fig. III.1 and III.2): (1) The s-process (slow neutron capture process) operates in asymptotic giant branch



Fig. III.2: Chart of the nuclides showing the formation of the elements and isotopes. Shown are various nucleosynthetic processes responsible for the formation of nuclides. "Magic numbers" for atomic nuclei are emphasized with black lines, representing particularly stable nuclides. Among those magical numbers are some isotopes of particular interest in this study, such as ¹³⁹La, ¹⁴⁰Ce, ¹⁴¹Pr and ¹⁴²Nd, all built up by 82 neutrons in their nucleus. While the s-process is predominantly responsible for the formation of stable nuclides (black squares) within the valley of stability, the r-process and the p-process are predominantly responsible for the formation of neutron or proton-rich nuclides, respectively. Taken from Rodriguez, (2014).

stars and is mainly responsible for forming stable nuclides along the "valley of nuclear stability", where the neutron capture rate is higher than the decay rate (i.e., up to ²⁰⁹Bi) (cf. Bisterzo et al., 2014; Rodriguez, 2014) (see also Fig. III.1). (2) The r-process (rapid neutron capture process) occurs during the collapse of neutron star merger or supernovae where the neutron fluxes are significantly higher when compared to the s-process. This process is responsible for the formation of high-mass neutron-rich isotopes, even beyond the valley of nuclear stability. (3) Proton-rich p-process nuclides depict nuclides that have formed by proton-capture, photodisintegration, electron capture, or neutrino processes, although more complex decay chains of s- and r-process nuclides or spallation reactions are also possible (Arnould and Goriely, 2003; Bisterzo et al., 2014; Hidaka and Yoneda, 2014).

III.2. Planetary Growth and the formation of the Moon

After the first solid material condensed in the solar system, larger bodies began to accrete. Further accretion led to the formation of 10-100 km-sized planetesimals (Weidenschilling, 2011). Remnants of this early stage of accretion are still preserved today as asteroids or meteorites and are a unique opportunity to investigate such early accretion processes. Within several 10⁵ years, runaway growth of some of the early planetesimals formed the first planetary embryos (Kortenkamp et al., 2000), weighing up to 10% of Earth's mass (Yu and Jacobsen, 2011) (Fig. III.3). The further progression of accretion was highly chaotic, where fewer but high-energy collisions characterized this latest stage of accretion. The energy released during such collisions had the potential to create magma oceans that also lead to silicate-metal segregation, forming planetary cores (Rubie et al., 2011). The short lived ¹⁸²Hf-¹⁸²W system (T_{1/2}=8.9×10⁶ years) (Vockenhuber et al., 2004) has proven to be particular useful to unravel these early processes. Since Hf behaves strongly lithophile and W behaves moderately lithophile but is also strongly sequestered into Fe-alloys, the ¹⁸²Hf-¹⁸²W system has become particular important to trace early silicate differentiation, core



Fig. III.3: Chronological evolution of the accretion and formation of planetary bodies. Taken from Mezger et al. (2020).

formation of planetary bodies and early geochronology in general (e.g., Yin et al., 2002; Kleine et al., 2004; Yu and Jacobsen, 2011; Kruijer et al., 2017; Thiemens et al., 2019).

Presumably the most spectacular outcome of the late collision-style accretion was the formation of the Earth-Moon system that likely formed after a Mars-sized impactor collided with the proto-Earth (Canup and Asphaug, 2001). Formation as the consequence of planetary impacts can provide enough energy to homogenize both planetary bodies, possibly leading to a synestia-like structure from which Earth and Moon were able to re-accrete in the aftermath of the impact (Pahlevan and Stevenson, 2007; Stewart et al., 2018). Although the giant impact model is widely accepted, the Moon's origin has been debated in the past, and alternative models for its formation have been proposed. These include the loss of terrestrial material due to a fast spinning Earth (Cuk and Stewart, 2012) or the formation after multiple smaller impacts (Rufu et al., 2017).

The timing of the Moon's formation is constrained by short-lived 182 Hf- 182 W isotope systematics. Based on 182 W/ 184 W constraints, studies have calculated minimum ages for



Fig. III.4: Shown are all Apollo landing sites that delivered most of the available returned lunar sample material. Picture modified from NASA (image source: nasa.gov).

the formation of the Moon between 30 and 70 Ma, with maximum ages ranging between 52 and 110 Ma (Halliday, 2008; Kleine et al., 2009; Yu and Jacobsen, 2011). However, these ages rely on accurate Hf/W ratios for bulk Earth and bulk Moon. In a recent study, Thiemens et al. (2019) demonstrated that the bulk Moon has a higher Hf/W ratio than bulk silicate Earth. Taking this into consideration, the authors calculated an age for lunar formation of approximately 50 Ma.

Strong chemical similarities have been observed between lunar and terrestrial rocks ever since the Apollo missions delivered the first material from the Moon, allowing direct comparisons (Fig. III.4). Although some studies have suggested small differences in $\Delta^{17}O$ compositions between the Earth and Moon (Herwartz et al., 2014; Greenwood et al., 2018; Cano et al., 2020), Young et al. (2016) have argued for an identical composition of both planetary bodies. Even if these small differences can be statistically resolved, they are almost two orders of magnitude smaller than the $\Delta^{17}O$ differences between other planetary bodies such as Mars or Vesta (Mohapatra and Murty, 2003; Zhang et al., 2019). The close similarities in the oxygen isotope composition between lunar and terrestrial rocks is also in good agreement with findings from other mass independent isotope systematics (e.g., Cr or Ti) that are indistinguishable on both planetary bodies, further arguing for the close relationship of both planetary bodies (Zhang et al., 2012; Mougel et al., 2018).

Although lunar and terrestrial rocks show close similarities of mass independent isotope compositions, major and trace element characteristics of lunar rocks are markedly different from terrestrial compositions. The first analysis of KREEP-rich (K-Rare Earth Element-P-rich composition) rocks (Meyer et al., 1971), revealed a lunar rock type that showed an extraordinary chemical composition, markedly different from any known terrestrial composition. The major driving force for the geochemical variability in lunar rocks was ascribed lunar magma ocean (LMO) crystallization (Warren and Wasson, 1979; Snyder et al., 1992; Elardo et al., 2011; Elkins-Tanton et al., 2011; Neal, 2017; Charlier et al., 2018; Borg et al., 2019) that formed several distinct lunar mantle cumulates. This includes the sequestration of ilmenite-bearing cumulates, interpreted as the source for lunar high Ti basalts (Snyder et al., 1992). After 99.5% of the lunar mantle has been crystallized (Snyder et al., 1992), a residual KREEP melt remained that is expected to have geochemical properties in good agreement with those observed in KREEP-rich rocks (Warren and Wasson, 1979; Snyder et al., 1992; Elardo et al., 2011; Elkins-Tanton et al., 2011). While LMO cumulate-related volcanism is erupted into mare, a substantial amount of the lunar crust is built up by Ferroan Anorthosites that are interpreted to represent floating plagioclase cumulates (e.g., Ryder, 1991; Snyder et al., 1992).

III.3. Trace element partitioning and rare earth decay series

To unravel geochemical characteristics of differentiated mantle and crustal reservoirs, trace element compositions and radiogenic isotopes have become analytical key tools in the past. Different elements show different compatibilities in mantle minerals, defined as the partition coefficient D which gives the enrichment factor of a particular element in a given mineral relative to the melt composition (Fig. III.5). Trace elements usually do not

form their own minerals but substitute for other elements causing stress in the crystal lattice and their (in-) compatibility strongly depends on their ionic charge and radius. Generally, substituting trace elements with ionic charges differing from the substituted



Fig. III.5: Partition coefficients in various minerals. a) Calculated and predicted partition coefficient hyperboles for 3+ cations occupying the M1 and M2 crystal site. b) Typical partition coefficients in Earth's most common mantle minerals. Lattice strain model calculated after Blundy and Wood (1994) with partition coefficients for clinopyroxene from McDade et al. (2004). HFSE and REE partitioning coefficients from previous studies (Phinney and Morrision, 1990; Westrenen et al., 2000; McDade et al., 2003; Dygert et al., 2020).

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element will cause more stress than substituents with similar properties. Mineral proportions, chemical composition, temperature, pressure, presence of fluids, or oxygen fugacity can have additional effects on the partitioning behavior (e.g., Candela and Bouton, 1990; Blundy and Wood, 1994; McDade et al., 2003; Caro et al., 2005). The substitution of elements into different crystal sites strongly affects partitioning behavior. This is exemplified in Figure 3a, where partition coefficients for various 3+ cations are shown. Despite their identical ionic charge, these elements fall on two individual hyperboles, depending on the crystal site into which they are incorporated (Blundy and Wood, 1994). Since sets of partition coefficients are usually far from complete, partition coefficients are often extrapolated. As exemplified in Figure III.5a, extrapolating partition coefficients requires a profound knowledge of the elemental behavior within the crystal structure.

The different compatibility of various elements causes them to fractionate during geological processes. The fractionation patterns of the REE have been extensively studied since they can yield valuable information on the source from which the rocks were derived (cf. Pearce, 2008). The REE comprise a group of lithophile trace elements that are moderately to highly incompatible in Earth's most common upper mantle minerals. The different compatibility among the REE is due to their variable ionic radii (caused by the lanthanide contraction), making REE fractionate during silicate differentiation (such as partial melting or fractional crystallization) (Fig. III.5).

In addition, REE include several decay systems that can be used to obtain time-integrated information of rocks. This feature gives REE decay series the potential to obtain geochronological constraints and information about parental sources of investigated rock suites. There are four REE decay systems that are currently applied to geochemical issues (^{176}Lu - ^{176}Hf , $^{147,146}Sm$ - $^{143,142}Nd$ and ^{138}La - ^{138}Ce). The two long-lived decay systematics ^{147}Sm - ^{143}Nd (T_{1/2}=106 Ga) (Lugmair and Marti, 1978) and ^{176}Lu - ^{176}Hf (T_{1/2}=37 Ga) (Söderlund et al., 2004) have become key analytical tools used to characterize modern to ancient mantle depletion (e.g., Chauvel et al., 2008; Hoffmann et al., 2011b; Rizo et al., 2011; Schneider et



Fig. III.6: Mantle differentiation and its effects on parent/daughter fractionation. During mantle differentiation, complementary depleted and enriched reservoirs are produced. Depending on the parent/daughter fractionation, excesses or deficits of the radiogenic daughter nuclides will be produced over time (relative to unfractionated, primitive mantle). If such differentiation events occurred within the lifetime of ¹⁴⁶Sm (i.e., >4.0 Ga), this will also cause an imprint on ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd compositions.

al., 2019, **Chapter I**, **Chapter II**) (Fig. III.6) and to draw conclusions on the bulk composition of planetary bodies (e.g., Caro and Bourdon, 2010; Sprung et al., 2013, **Chapter III**). In geochronology, ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁷⁶Hf systematics have gained particular importance due to its high closing temperature and a generally high potential to fractionate Lu from Hf in various minerals, notably garnet (e.g., Scherer et al., 2000). In addition, the ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd and ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁷⁶Hf systems have become an indispensable tool to characterize mantle reservoirs and trace ancient mantle depletion. During crustal extraction, escaping melts form the enriched crust (low Lu/Hf and Sm/Nd) leave behind a depleted mantle (high Lu/Hf and Sm/Nd) (Fig. III.5). Consequently, the enriched crust will evolve towards a time-integrated deficit in its ¹⁴³Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd and ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf composition relative to unfractionated bulk silicate Earth material (usually referred to as primitive mantle that is equivalent to chondrites) whereas depleted domains will evolve towards excesses. These radiogenic fingerprints help constrain the timing of events such as ancient melt depletion, crustal residence times, and the onset of plate tectonics (e.g., Vervoort et al., 2000; Hoffmann et al., 2010; Hoffmann et al., 2011; van de Löcht et al., 2020; **Chapter I**).

The short-lived decay from ¹⁴⁶Sm to ¹⁴²Nd ($T_{1/2}$ =68 or 103 Ma) (Friedman et al., 1966; Meissner et al., 1987; Kinoshita et al., 2012) has been applied to many Archean rocks to investigate if ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd isotope composition might hint at early (Hadean) silicate differentiation on Earth (e.g., Harper and Jacobsen, 1992; Caro et al., 2003; Boyet and Carlson, 2005; Bennett et al., 2007). By combining short- and long-lived Sm-Nd decay systems, it is possible to obtain precise model ages for previous silicate differentiation events (Caro et al., 2003; Bennett et al., 2007; Rizo et al., 2011; Caro et al., 2017; Morino et al., 2017; Saji et al., 2018, **Chapter II**). Although the short lived ¹⁴⁶Sm decay was functionally extinct by the end of the Hadean, anomalous ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd compositions can still be preserved in Neoarchean or even modern rocks (Debaille et al., 2013; Horan et al., 2018; Peters et al., 2018). Therefore, ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd isotope studies can also be used as a tool to infer mantle homogenization rates and the preservation potential of primordial mantle domains (Saji et al., 2018; Schneider et al., 2018; Hyung and Jacobsen, 2020).

Although the ¹³⁸La-¹³⁸Ce decay system can be applied to similar geochemical issues as ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd or ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁷⁶Hf, the slow isotopic ingrowth from ¹³⁸La to ¹³⁸Ce ($\lambda_{\beta} = 2.37 \times 10^{-12} \text{ a}^{-1}$) (Tanimizu, 2000) has prevented this isotope system from broader applications. Nevertheless, recent studies showed excellent correlations between radiogenic ¹³⁸Ce and ¹⁴³Nd isotopes (Israel et al., 2019; Willig and Stracke, 2019; **Chapter I, Chapter III**). Since the light rare earth elements (LREE) (e.g., La, Ce, Nd and Sm) are all similarly (in-) compatible in mantle minerals, they show a strong coupling. This feature gives coupled Ce-Nd isotope studies a unique potential to investigate the refractory incompatible trace element composition of planetary bodies, such as Earth or Moon (**Chapter III**).

III.4. Present, Archean and Hadean geodynamic processes on Earth

Earth's convecting mantle, active plate tectonics, and the continuous creation and obliteration of its crust is responsible for the limited preservation of Archean crust (e.g., Lee et al., 2011) (Fig. III.7). The involved processes create distinct geochemical features,



Fig. III.7: Geological map showing the preservation of Archean crust. Red circles mark the studied areas. Modified after Lee et al., (2011).

and therefore, Earth's geochemical properties are highly diverse. Generally, Earth's upper mantle is depleted in incompatible trace elements (such as REE or HFSE) as a consequence of partial melting, whereas a complementary enriched reservoir exists in the overlying crust (Fig. III.6). Such planetary differentiation events are well-described for the Earth, Moon, and Mars (e.g., Nyquist et al., 1995; Caro et al., 2003; Foley et al., 2005; Bennett et al., 2007; Gaffney and Borg, 2014; Caro et al., 2017; Kruijer et al., 2017; Saji et al., 2018). The fundamental difference between Earth and our closest neighbors, however, is that on Earth plate tectonics have operated globally and continuously since at least the Phanerozoic, with periodic episodes in the Archean (e.g., Polat et al., 2002; Polat and Hofmann, 2003; Van Kranendonk, 2007; O'Neill et al., 2007; Smithies et al., 2007c; Hoffmann et al., 2011b; Szilas, 2018; van de Löcht et al., 2020, Chapter I, Chapter II). One of the most exceptional outcomes of plate tectonics is subduction, wherein denser oceanic crust is transported back into the mantle to participate in mantle convection. This process can refertilize and alter the mantle geochemistry. By means of radiogenic Sr-Nd-Pb isotopes, four endmembers have been identified that are able to explain the observed geochemical range: EM-1 (enriched mantle 1), EM-2 (enriched mantle 2), DMM (depleted mantle MORB) and HIMU (also "high μ ", with μ =²³⁸U/²⁰⁴Pb) (e.g., Hofmann, 1997; Stracke et al., 2005). In addition, BSE can be considered as another mantle endmember composition, although its chemical composition is highly debated (Caro et al., 2008; O'Neill and Palme, 2008; Caro and Bourdon, 2010; Campbell et al., 2012; Bouvier and Boyet, 2016; Burkhardt et al., 2016; Boyet et al., 2018; Saji et al., 2020).

In contrast to the well-characterized modern mantle endmembers, unraveling Archean and Hadean geodynamic processes on Earth is more ambiguous. The characterization of the

different modern mantle reservoirs (that were affected by deep mantle recycling processes) mainly rely on combined radiogenic Sr-Nd-Pb isotope constraints (e.g., Hofmann, 1997; Stracke et al., 2005). However, ⁸⁷Rb-⁸⁷Sr as well as ^{235,238}U-^{207,206}Pb/²⁰⁴Pb systematics are often overprinted during post-magmatic alteration, a process that is very common in Archean rocks. Without reliable ⁸⁷Rb-⁸⁷Sr or ^{235,238}U-^{207,206}Pb/²⁰⁴Pb data, mantle characterization of Archean rocks is mainly reduced to radiogenic Hf-Nd isotope and trace element data, providing less constraints and leading to more ambiguous interpretations. Although still debated, there is evidence that plate tectonics operated already at 3.2 Ga locally within the Pilbara Craton, NW Australia, as witnessed by a fully preserved Wilson cycle (Van Kranendonk et al., 2010). Even older evidence for (at least local) Eoarchean plate tectonics comes from ~3.7-3.8 Ga rocks from the Isua region, SW-Greenland, that show strongly boninitic affinities as well as island arc-like trace element characteristics, strongly arguing for source enrichment within a subduction-like setting (Polat et al., 2002; Polat and Hofmann, 2003; Hoffmann et al., 2011, Chapter II). In addition, Archean cratons usually comprise high volumes of tonalite-trondhjemite-granodiorite intrusions (TTG) that carry arc-like trace element signatures (e.g., Moyen and Martin, 2012). However, geochemical evidence for early Phanerozoic-style plate tectonics has been challenged by modeling constraints that largely preclude such tectonic settings in the early Archean due to higher mantle temperatures (Herzberg et al., 2010). Instead, it has been hypothesized that Hadean-Archean plate tectonics operated more sluggish (Korenaga, 2008; Herzberg et al., 2010). Alternatively, it has been proposed that Hadean-Archean plate tectonics operated more vertically compared to modern tectonics, by building thick piles of (mafic) crust that might have lead to gravitational overturn events (Van Kranendonk et al., 2004; Wiemer et al., 2018). During such overturn events, the thickened mafic crust would have sunken down, initiating the rise of felsic domes in between the destabilized mafic crust (Fig. III.8). Such a unique tectonic regime is observed in the Pilbara Craton, where felsic domes are separated from each other by greenstone synclines (Van Kranendonk et al., 2004; Wiemer et al., 2018). Escaping partial melts of such hydrated mafic crust can also explain the major and trace element geochemistry of Archean TTGs without the need of early subductionlike settings (Johnson et al., 2017).

Many Archean cratons preserve uncontaminated mantle-derived rocks that show positive $\epsilon Nd_{(i)}$ and $\epsilon Hf_{(i)}$ values, including the ~3.6 to 3.2 Ga Kaapvaal Craton, ~3.6 to 2.6 Ga Pilbara Craton and the ~3.85 to 3.6 Ga Itsaq Gneiss Complex and associated greenstone belts (e.g., Hoffmann et al., 2010; Hoffmann et al., 2011b; Puchtel et al., 2016; Schneider et al., 2019; van de Löcht et al., 2020; Murphy et al., 2021, **Chapter I**). These features have been interpreted to reflect depleted parental sources for these mantle-derived rocks. However, this was likely not the result of one global differentiation event, since different cratons show different ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd compositions (Bennett et al., 2007). While the Isua greenstone belt, the Pilbara Craton or the Kaapvaal Craton all have positive $\epsilon Nd_{(i)}$ and $\epsilon Hf_{(i)}$ values, the Pilbara Craton shows no μ^{142} Nd anomalies (Archer et al., 2019; Murphy et al., 2021), the Isua Craton shows positive μ^{142} Nd anomalies (e.g., Boyet and Carlson, 2006; Rizo et al., 2011; Saji et al., 2018, **Chapter II**) whereas the Kaapvaal Craton is characterized by negative



Fig. III.8: Shown is the typical dome and keel structure found in the Pilbara Craton. This is a consequence of overturn events that lead to the rise of felsic intrusion as a consequence of gravitational instabilities. In between the felsic intrusion, the denser mafic crust will sink down. Today, the mafic greenstones are exposed as synclines in between the felsic batholiths. Taken from van Kranendonk et al., (2004).

 μ^{142} Nd values (Puchtel et al., 2016; Schneider et al., 2018). The individual μ^{142} Nd composition of different cratons is rather linked to different local differentiation events (Bennett et al., 2007). In addition, the observed isotope evidence are often inconsistent with the geodynamic settings. For instance, continuous pulses of ultramafic volcanism in the Pilbara Craton was recently interpreted to result from plume-style volcanism (Smithies et al., 2005b). It is assumed that volcanic rocks from the Pilbara Craton tap deep primitive mantle sources, in accordance with the observation of chondritic ¹⁸⁷Re-¹⁸⁷Os systematics (Puchtel et al., 2021). However, this observation conflicts with the observation of positive ϵ Nd_(i) or ϵ Hf_(i) values that argue for a depleted origin (Gruau et al., 1987; Murphy et al., 2021; Puchtel et al., 2021). The link between these observations are still poorly understood and hard to reconcile. Reasons for this finding could involve mantle mixing, early depletion, or a non-chondritic Earth (Caro et al., 2008; O'Neill and Palme, 2008; Caro and Bourdon, 2010; Campbell et al., 2012; Puchtel et al., 2021; Hofmann et al., 2022) and will be discussed in more detail in **Chapter III.**

III.5. Alteration

It is critical that the Archean rocks investigated to understand the early magmatic history of Earth have not been overprinted by secondary processes. Archean rocks are commonly exposed to weathering, hydrothermal fluid alteration, or subsequent metamorphic events that can severely overprint pristine magmatic features. Depending on different (fluid-) mobilities, certain elements can become highly mobile (such as large ion lithophile elements), whereas others remain (largely) immobile (such as REE or HFSE) (Polat and Hofmann, 2003). This is especially relevant for long-lived isotope systems, since radiogenic isotope compositions at the time of crystallization are back-calculated by using present day parent/daughter ratios. If the parent/daughter ratios were overprinted during post-

magmatic alteration, the decay corrections might become over- or underestimated, creating geologically meaningless isotope compositions that will lead to wrong models. As discussed above, ⁸⁷Rb-⁸⁷Sr and ^{235,238}U-^{207,206}Pb isotope systematics often experienced open system behavior during post-magmatic alteration, whereas ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd and ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁷⁶Hf isotope systematics often remained unaffected. This is also crucial (although not yet well-documented) for ¹³⁸La-¹³⁸Ce isotope systematics, where the oxidation of Ce³⁺ to Ce⁴⁺ during terrestrial weathering makes this isotope system particularly vulnerable for post magmatic alteration (**Chapter I**).

Although Hf and Nd isotopes have been regarded as unaltered in many studies, the isotope compositions of mantle-derived rocks often stand in conflict with in-situ Hf isotopes from zircons, especially in the Pilbara Craton (Nebel et al., 2014; Petersson et al., 2019; Petersson et al., 2020; Murphy et al., 2021; Puchtel et al., 2021; Salerno et al., 2021; **Chapter I**). Since zircons are one of Earth's most durable and robust minerals, many studies investigating insitu Hf isotopes from zircons have argued that the discrepancy between whole rocks and zircons is a consequence of altered whole rocks. However, due to the low Zr concentrations in mantle rocks (Palme and O'Neill, 2013), zircon crystals form in Zr enriched, felsic environments such as TTG melts. Such TTG melts are no primary mantle melts, but rather secondary melts from older precursor rocks (Hoffmann et al., 2011a; Hoffmann et al., 2014). Therefore, it remains ambiguous whether the inconsistencies between whole rocks and zircon isotope data reflect alteration processes or might be linked to petrological reasons (Liou et al., 2021).

In modern rocks, Hf-Nd isotopes show a strong coupling among different petrological rock types (clastic and chemical sediments, MORBs or OIBs) (Chauvel et al., 2008). Notably, rocks from some Archean cratons show Hf-Nd isotope characteristics that significantly deviate from this modern array. There are some Archean lithostratigraphic successions (such as the Weltevreden Formation of the Barberton Greenstone Belt or volcanic rocks from the Pilbara Craton) that are characterized by extremely positive $\varepsilon Hf_{(i)}$ values (at only slightly elevated ENd(i) values) (Blichert-Toft et al., 2015; Puchtel et al., 2016, Chapter I). In contrast, ~3.7 rocks from the Isua region show a different style of decoupled Hf-Nd isotopes, where most rocks have slightly positive and uniform $\epsilon Hf_{(i)}$ values at strongly variable $\epsilon Nd_{(i)}$ values (Hoffmann et al., 2010; Hoffmann et al., 2011; Rizo et al., 2011, Chapter II). The origin of decoupled Hf-Nd isotope patterns in many Archean rock successions remains ambiguous, but in many cases, alteration cannot be clearly ruled out. It is challenging to assess whether decoupled Hf-Nd isotope compositions represent the pristine Archean mantle or postmagmatic open system behavior. Clarifying this issue is of particular importance, since many geodynamic conclusions and models rely on long-lived isotope systematics (Chapter II).

III.6. A chondritic Earth?

The refractory, incompatible trace element composition of planetary bodies of the inner solar system still remains poorly understood. For many refractory lithophile elements, chondrites were regarded to best represent the bulk silicate Earth. Therefore, the chondritic/primitive mantle composition is often used to normalize terrestrial rocks (Bouvier et al., 2008; Palme and O'Neill, 2013; Israel et al., 2019; Willig and Stracke, 2019). Although most refractory trace elements ratios are near-constant in various chondrite classes, some elemental-isotopic constraints have provided evidence for a non-chondritic Earth. For example, the strongly coupled terrestrial Hf-Nd isotope array does not intersect the chondritic value. Although some interpreted this to result from the admixture of recycled oceanic sediments (Chauvel et al., 2008), other studies have interpreted this feature to provide evidence for a non-chondritic Earth (e.g., O'Neill and Palme, 2008; Caro and Bourdon, 2010).

In addition to the ambiguity of long-lived Hf-Nd isotope systematics, increasing analytical precision revealed a ~10 to 20 ppm excess for short-lived ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd variations between Earth and enstatite and ordinary chondrites, respectively (Boyet and Carlson, 2005; Carlson et al., 2007; Gannoun et al., 2011; Burkhardt et al., 2016; Fukai and Yokoyama, 2017; Boyet et al., 2018; Fukai and Yokoyama, 2019; Saji et al., 2020). However, the origin of Earth's elevated ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd compositions remains highly debated and two explanations have been held responsible for these observations, either advocating nucleosynthetic variations or a non-chondritic Earth.

The first explanation suggests that different chondrite classes (enstatite, ordinary and carbonaceous chondrites) all inherited different amounts of s-process material, with enstatite chondrites being most enriched in s-process material whereas carbonaceous chondrites are most depleted in that component (Gannoun et al., 2011; Boyet and Gannoun, 2013; Burkhardt et al., 2016; Fukai and Yokoyama, 2017; Boyet et al., 2018; Fukai and Yokoyama, 2019) (Fig. III.1). Although enstatite chondrites were found to show the closest similarities with Earth for many isotope systematics (such as Ti or Cr) (Trinquier et al., 2007; Trinquier et al., 2009), this most Earth-like chondrite class displays a ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd composition that is still ~10 ppm lower than that of Earth (e.g., Boyet and Gannoun, 2013; Boyet et al., 2018). Accordingly, it was suggested that Earth was accreted from material with an s-process excess (Burkhardt et al., 2016). Since such s-process excess material has not been found so far, it is assumed that it was fully consumed during accretion and therefore no longer exists. However, the difference between Earth and a modelled sprocess mixing line defined by chondrites remains ambiguous since none of the aforementioned studies have calculated statistically robust best fits that could provide numerical estimations for minimum or maximum differences between Earth and chondrites (Chapter III). More recently, Saji et al. (2020) have reported Nd isotope data for chondrites and concluded that Earth does not fall on the predicted s-process mixing line. The findings by Saji et al. (2020) contradict a pure s-process mixing model and rather suggest that the difference between Earth and chondrites reflects a p-process excess for material proto-Earth accreted from.

Alternatively, the superchondritic model suggests that Earth experienced a loss of enriched silicate material that formed within an earlier differentiation event (Boyet and Carlson, 2006; Caro et al., 2008; O'Neill and Palme, 2008; Brandon et al., 2009a; Brandon et al., 2009b; Caro and Bourdon, 2010; Gannoun et al., 2011; Qin et al., 2011). In the so-called depleted or superchondritic Earth model (superchondritic refers to its elevated ¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd

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ratios), Earth experienced an early (≥4.5 Ga) differentiation that created enriched and depleted reservoirs (Boyet and Carlson, 2005; Bennett et al., 2007; O'Neill and Palme, 2008; Caro and Bourdon, 2010). Subsequently, the early enriched reservoir was partly removed, either stored away in a hidden reservoir (Boyet and Carlson, 2006; Bennett et al., 2007) or ultimately lost by collisional erosion during accretion (O'Neill and Palme, 2008). In either way, the early enriched reservoir was no longer able to interact with the remaining part of Earth's mantle and is no longer accessible. Given that there is evidence for early silicate differentiation on Mars (as early as 20-30 Ma after solar system formation, (Foley et al., 2005; Kruijer et al., 2017), it seems reasonable to assume that differentiation processes on other terrestrial planets like Earth have started similarly early (Chapter III). Notably, the pprocess excess model as well as the superchondritic Earth model would only create elevated ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd compositions, without affecting other mass independent Nd isotopes. This means that these two processes are not distinguishable by mass independent Nd isotopes alone and other isotope systems must be involved. In Chapter III, the incompatible trace element composition of the Earth-Moon system is deduced from an independent long-lived ¹³⁸La-¹³⁸Ce and ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd isotope approach to finally clarify whether or not the Earth and Moon are chondritic.

IV. Chapter overview

This thesis provides new insights into long- and short-lived REE-related decay series currently applied to geochemical issues, namely ¹³⁸La-¹³⁸Ce, ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd, ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁷⁶Hf, and ¹⁴⁶Sm-¹⁴²Nd. In **Chapter I**, we present the first study that reports coupled ¹³⁸La-¹³⁸Ce, ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd, and ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁷⁶Hf isotope compositions of Archean rocks. The analyzed samples display a wide range of predominantly (ultra-) mafic mantle-derived but also some crustal rocks from the Pilbara Craton, NW Australia. These rocks span crystallization ages of almost 1000 Ma of near-continuous mafic volcanism. Our reported isotope composition of (ultra-) mafic rocks provide new constraints on the temporal evolution of the Archean mantle and the involved mantle reservoirs.

In **Chapter II**, a new analytical protocol for separating and measuring high precision Nd isotope compositions was developed. This new method allows us to determine ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd anomalies accurately and precisely, even in the lower ppm level. In a next step, we combine this method with long-lived ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd isotope systematics and apply it to Archean rocks from the Isua supracrustal belt, SW Greenland. By combining these two isotope systems, we are able to calculate differentiation model ages for the Isua mantle source. Further, we infer mantle homogenization times that can explain the disappearance of ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd anomalies by the end of the Archean.

In **Chapter III**, we report the first coupled ¹³⁸La-¹³⁸Ce, ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd isotope data and trace element data for lunar rocks. This chapter places new constraints on whether the Earth-Moon system is chondritic or not. After carefully investigating whether our data was significantly affected by neutron capture processes on the lunar surface, we incorporate our data into the existing framework of literature Hf-Nd isotope data. In order to reconcile the observational Hf-Nd-Ce isotope constraints, we conduct refractory lithophile trace element and Hf-Nd-Ce isotope modelling. In our model, we calculate a hypothetical lunar composition that is required to explain the existing Hf-Nd-Nd isotope and trace element constraints. In a next step, we examine whether this composition also represents the terrestrial lithophile refractory trace element composition.

Chapter I

Evolution of the early to late Archean mantle from Hf-Nd-Ce isotope systematics in basalts and komatiites from the Pilbara Craton

1.1. Abstract

Inferences on the early evolution of the Earth's mantle can be deduced from long-lived radiogenic isotope systems such as ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁷⁶Hf and ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd, for which both parent and daughter elements largely remain immobile at low metamorphic grades. However, it remains ambiguous when and to what extent mantle-crust differentiation processes had started in the Archean. For a better understanding of Archean mantle-crust evolution, we determined the initial ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁷⁶Hf, ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd, and, in a new approach, the ¹³⁸La-¹³⁸Ce isotope compositions of a suite of Archean mafic-ultramafic rock samples from the 3.53-2.83 Ga old Pilbara Craton and 2.78-2.63 Ga old Fortescue Group in NW Australia. These rocks represent one of the best-preserved Archean successions worldwide and contain mafic-ultramafic rocks that were erupted during repeated and long-lived pulses of volcanism throughout much of the Archean. Mantle-derived mafic-ultramafic rock samples were collected from six major stratigraphic groups of the Pilbara Craton and the overlying Fortescue Group in order to characterize the parental mantle source regions of the lavas and to reconstruct the temporal evolution of the ambient mantle beneath this piece of cratonic lithosphere. In addition, we analyzed contemporaneous TTG-like igneous suites and interbedded sediments in order to reconstruct the lithospheric evolution of the Pilbara Craton.

The Hf-Nd-Ce isotope data imply the onset of mantle-crust differentiation in the Pilbara Craton as early as ~4.2 Ga, well prior to any of the preserved stratigraphy. Within error, coupled Ce-Nd-Hf isotope arrays all intersect chondritic values, implying that the Earth is of broadly chondritic composition, also for the ¹³⁸La-¹³⁸Ce isotope system. Mafic rocks usually yield strongly coupled ϵ Hf_(i), ϵ Nd_(i) and ϵ Ce_(i) values that form a mixing line between an evolving depleted upper mantle composition and the primitive mantle value (ϵ Hf_(i) ca. 0.0 to + 3.2, ϵ Nd_(i) ca. +0.2 to +1.7 and ϵ Ce_(i) ca. +0.3 to -0.1). As all Paleoarchean samples lack co-variations between Nb/Th with ϵ Hf_(i) or ϵ Nd_(i), contamination with an enriched crust is unlikely to explain this mixing trend. The most primitive mantle-like mafic samples show elevated Gd_N/Yb_N ratios (2.2-1.4), implying the involvement of a deep-rooted, near-primitive, upwelling mantle that was progressively mixed into the depleted upper mantle.

In contrast to the mafic rocks, most, but not all komatiites are decoupled in their initial Hf-Nd-Ce isotope compositions, by having extremely radiogenic ϵ Hf_(i) values at only moderately high ϵ Nd_(i) and low ϵ Ce_(i) values. This decoupling is best explained by the assimilation of mantle domains that underwent early melt depletion in the garnet stability field and evolved at high ¹⁷⁶Lu/¹⁷⁷Hf ratios but at moderate ¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd and ¹³⁸La/¹³⁶Ce ratios over time. The disappearance of rocks with decoupled Hf-Nd isotope compositions after ~3.2 Ga is likely linked to decreasing mantle temperatures that were no longer able to melt such refractory mantle domains. Collectively, our new data for mafic rocks from the Pilbara Craton confirm the presence of long-term depleted mantle domains in the early Archean that are not sampled by the zircon Hf isotope record in the Pilbara Craton.

1.2. Introduction

The ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁷⁶Hf and ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd decay systems have become key analytical tools for reconstructing the early depletion history of the terrestrial mantle due to their robustness (e.g., Bennett et al., 1993; Vervoort and Blichert-Toft, 1999; Hoffmann et al., 2011b). In contrast, the ¹³⁸La-¹³⁸Ce system has only rarely been applied to the early terrestrial rock record, because the slow radiogenic decay of ¹³⁸La to ¹³⁸Ce (λ =2.37×10⁻¹² a⁻¹) and limited fractionation of La/Ce in igneous systems result in small Ce isotope variations that are analytically difficult to resolve. During mantle-crust differentiation, Lu and Sm are more compatible in the mantle compared to Nd and Hf, whereas La is more incompatible in the mantle compared to Nd and Hf, whereas La is systematics could, in principle, be applied to similar geochemical issues as the ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁷⁷Hf or ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴⁴Nd systems. As a consequence, combined Ce-Nd-Hf isotope studies can place further constraints on early Earth differentiation processes such as the observed decoupling of Hf-Nd isotopes in Archean rocks (e.g. Hoffmann et al., 2011b; Rizo et al., 2011).

The Pilbara Craton is an excellent example to study the evolution of mantle-crust differentiation processes on early Earth, due to long-lived volcanic pulses of maficultramafic volcanism (Van Kranendonk et al., 2002). For other cratons, such as the North Atlantic Craton, mantle evolution processes have been complicated by secondary metamorphic events, which can disturb the Hf-Nd isotope signatures of such highly metamorphosed rocks (e.g. Gruau et al., 1996; Hoffmann et al., 2011b). In contrast, the majority of rocks from the Pilbara Craton have only been affected by low-grade metamorphism, largely at lower greenschist facies and only locally at amphibolite facies conditions (Collins and Van Kranendonk, 1999; Van Kranendonk et al., 2002). Although there exist other cratons that contain older rocks, the well-preserved and low metamorphic grade lithostratigraphic successions in the Pilbara Craton provide a near-continuous record of igneous evolution for almost a billion years of Earth history, from 3.59-2.63 Ga (e.g., Van Kranendonk et al., 2002; Smithies et al., 2007a; Petersson et al., 2019).

Based on predominantly positive $\epsilon Nd_{(i)}$ values, many studies on Pilbara mafic-ultramafic rock samples suggest a moderately depleted mantle reservoir as a source for the dominantly mafic-ultramafic greenstone belt stratigraphy (e.g., Gruau et al., 1987; Arndt et

al., 2001; Smithies et al., 2007b). However, previously reported Hf isotope data challenged these interpretations (Nebel et al., 2014; Kemp et al., 2015; Petersson et al., 2019; Petersson et al., 2020). For example, studies on zircons by Kemp et al. (2015) and Petersson et al., (2019, 2020) argued that the mantle beneath the Pilbara Craton did not start to differentiate until ~3.6 Ga. In contrast Nebel et al. (2014) reported extremely radiogenic ϵ Hf_(i) values in ~3.5-3.2 Ga komatiites, which requires a highly depleted mantle reservoir to have been present already in the Hadean, a conclusion previously also reached by Tessalina et al. (2010).

In this study, we present high-precision isotope dilution (ID) and isotope composition data for ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁷⁶Hf, ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd and ¹³⁸La-¹³⁸Ce on a variety of rock samples from the Pilbara Craton in order to better understand the long-term depletion history of the ambient mantle beneath the evolving Pilbara Craton and the early Archean mantle in general. We analyzed 39 basalts and komatiites, five granitoids, and three sedimentary rocks that were previously studied by Tusch et al., (2021)for their major and trace element data, as well as for their ¹⁸²W isotope systematics. Furthermore, we analyzed six basalts from the Jeerinah Formation that were previously studied by Maier et al. (2009) for platinum group element (PGE) concentrations. In total, we present combined ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁷⁶Hf and ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd systematics on 63 mantle-derived rocks, granitoids, and sediments. For a better understanding of the ¹³⁸La-¹³⁸Ce system in the Archean, we also report ¹³⁸La-¹³⁸Ce data for a subset of 40 of these samples. The data are evaluated with an emphasis on the temporal evolution of the Archean mantle and source domain characteristics.

1.3. Geological setting

The Pilbara Craton is located in the northwestern part of Western Australia and is composed of several distinct litho-tectonic terranes that contain thick successions of maficultramafic and felsic volcanic rocks (Van Kranendonk et al., 2007). The volcanic rocks erupted in several episodes lasting from at least 3.59-2.63 Ga, accompanied by pulses of granitic magmatism over the range of 3.49-2.83 Ga. Typical dome-and-keel structures are preserved in the Paleoarchean nucleus of the East Pilbara Terrane (EPT) (Fig. 1.1) (Van Kranendonk et al., 2004). The oldest unambiguous evidence for magmatic activity in the Pilbara Craton is provided by 3.7-3.8 Ga inherited zircons (Van Kranendonk et al., 2002; Kemp et al., 2015) and recently Petersson et al. (2019) have identified gabbroic enclaves (3.59-3.58 Ga Mount Webber Gabbro) that may be remnants of a mafic proto-crust.

Between ca. 3.53 and 3.23 Ga, cycles of mafic-ultramafic volcanism dominated the evolution of the EPT, deposited in three unconformity-bound groups: the ca. 3.53-3.43 Ga Warrawoona Group, the ca. 3.35-3.32 Ga Kelly Group and the 3.27-3.235 Ga Sulphur Springs Group (Van Kranendonk et al., 2007; Hickman, 2012). From the increasingly thickened mafic crust, partial melts escaped and formed repeated generations of felsic intrusions (Smithies et al., 2007a; Van Kranendonk, 2010; Wiemer et al., 2018). The thickened mafic crust also acted as a thermal incubator, thus softening the middle crust



Fig. 1.1: Simplified geological map of the northern Pilbara Craton. Shown are greenstones and granitoids of the East Pilbara Terrane, Kurrana Terrane, Karratha Terrane, Regal Terrane, Sholl Terrane and the late volcano-sedimentary Mallina Basin and De Grey Supergroup (MB=Mallina Basin; MCB=Mosquito Creek basin) and Fortescue Basin. Abbreviations for different granitoids that were sampled in this study: CD=Corunna Downs; ME=Mount Edgar; S=Shaw; W=Warrawagine; Y=Yule. Modified after Van Kranendonk et al., (2007a), (2010).

and causing gravitational instabilities (e.g., Collins and Van Kranendonk, 1999; Wiemer et al., 2018). During gravitational collapse, the negatively buoyant overlaying mafic crust sank into the middle crust, which, in turn, caused the rise of felsic domes and the typical domeand-keel geometry (Collins and Van Kranendonk, 1999; Van Kranendonk et al., 2004; Wiemer et al., 2018).

At ~3.2 Ga, plume-initiated rifting separated the Kurrana and Karratha terranes from the EPT, which led to the eruption of the 3.18 Ga Soanesville Group and the contemporaneous Dalton Suite of intrusive layered mafic-ultramafic rocks in the EPT (Van Kranendonk et al., 2007a, 2010). This rifting event was recently interpreted in favor of the onset of Phanerozoic-style late tectonics, and the tectono-magmatic history of the craton between 2.9 and 3.2 Ga was interpreted to represent a full Wilson cycle (Van Kranendonk et al., 2010). This also includes the ~3.12 Ga Whundo Group volcanics that provide evidence for subduction-related volcanism in the Pilbara Craton (Smithies et al., 2007c). Between 3.07 to 2.91 Ga, the West Pilbara Superterrane (WPS), the EPT, and the southeastern Kurrana Terrane accreted during three orogenic events (Van Kranendonk et al., 2007), followed by

deposition of the 3.02-2.92 Ga De Grey Supergroup in an extensional basin (Van Kranendonk et al., 2007; Hickman, 2012) that was coeval with 2.935 Ga granitoid intrusions of the Yule Granitic Complex. Volcanic rocks from the De Grey Supergroup show strongly enriched geochemical characteristics indicating enriched, metasomatized mantle sources of possible lithospheric mantle origin (Smithies et al., 2004).

Deposition of the 2.78-2.63 Ga Fortescue Group followed cratonization of the Pilbara Craton, which was completed by the emplacement of ca. 2.83 granitoid rocks (Van Kranendonk et al., 2007). The dominantly continental flood basaltic lavas of the Fortescue Group were fed by a series of large feeder dikes, including the 2.78 Ga Black Range dolerite suite that erupted lavas of the lowermost Mount Roe basalt (Arndt et al., 2001; Thorne and Trendall, 2001). The Fortescue Group lavas originated from plume-generated komatiite volcanism that was contaminated by older crustal basement, in a similar way to Phanerozoic large igneous provinces (Mole et al., 2018).

1.4. Methods

Analyses were performed on powder aliquots from 2-3 kg of rock sample grounded in an agate mill. For Ce, Nd, and Hf measurements, 120-1200 mg of sample powder were digested in Parr[©] bombs. For Sm/Nd and Lu/Hf measurements, mixed ¹⁴⁹Sm-¹⁵⁰Nd and ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁸⁰Hf isotope tracers were added prior to digestion following previously described protocols (Münker et al., 2001; Hoffmann et al., 2011a). For La-Ce (ID) measurements, a 20% aliquot was spiked with a ¹³⁸La-¹⁴²Ce isotope tracer after sample digestion. For isotope analysis we additionally added 1 ml of 65% HClO₄ to some replicates after Parr[©] bomb digestions to prevent the formation of insoluble rare-earth elements (REE) and high field strength (HFSE)-fluorides although addition of HClO₄ did not have an effect on the results of concentration or isotope measurements (Appendix A1). Lutetium-Hf separation was performed following the analytical protocol of Münker et al. (2001). The light rare-earth element (LREE)-bearing matrix from Lu-Hf separation as well as the 20% La-Ce ID aliquot were processed after Schnabel et al. (2017). The leftover REE cut was then processed through Ln Spec resin after Pin and Zalduegui (1997) to obtain pure Sm and Nd fractions. Total procedural blanks were always <150 pg for Ce, <100 pg for La, <39 pg for Nd, <19 pg for Sm, and <140 pg for Hf and Lu, respectively, and were all negligible.

All ID and isotope composition measurements were performed on a Thermo Fischer Neptune[©] or a Thermo Fischer Neptune Plus[©] MC-ICP MS at Cologne. Lanthanum-Ce measurements were performed following the protocol of Schnabel et al. (2017), but for Ce isotope composition measurements, $10^{12}\Omega$ amplifiers were replaced by $10^{13}\Omega$ amplifiers. Mass bias correction was performed by using the exponential law and a ¹³⁶Ce/¹⁴⁰Ce=0.002124072 (Makishima and Nakamura, 1991). All Ce data are reported relative to the Mainz-AMES standard solution (¹³⁸Ce/¹³⁶Ce=1.33738) (Willbold, 2007). The tailing effect of ¹⁴⁰Ce on ¹³⁶Ce and ¹³⁸Ce was recorded by measuring the ratios of half-masses relative to the peak mass (Willbold, 2007), but tail contributions on ¹³⁸Ce were always in the sub-ppm range (e.g., Schnabel et al., 2017). For Ce ID measurements, Ba was used for mass bias correction assuming a ¹³⁷Ba/¹³⁵Ba ratio of 1.70383, whereas for La ID measurements, Nd was used for mass bias correction (¹⁴⁶Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd=0.7219). The external

reproducibility for ¹³⁸Ce/¹³⁶Ce ratios is given as relative standard deviation (RSD) and amounts to ±21 ppm (2 RSD), based on multiple measurements (n=13) of six digestions of the reference ⁰/_g material BHVO-2.

Neodymium isotope compositions are reported relative to a ¹⁴³Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd value of 0.511859 for La Jolla standard. Mass bias correction followed the exponential law using a ¹⁴⁶Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd of 0.7219. The external long-term of reproducibility Nd isotope measurements amounts to ±40 ppm (2 RSD) (cf. Marien et al., 2019). Hafnium isotope compositions are given relative to the Münster AMES standard, having a ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf ratio of 0.282160 (Münker et al., 2001). All measured ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf isotope data were mass bias corrected by using the exponential law and a ¹⁷⁹Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf of 0.7325. Mass bias correction for Lu measurements was performed by using a ¹⁷³Yb/¹⁷¹Yb ratio of 1.29197. The external long-term reproducibility of ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf analysis amounts to ±40 ppm (cf. Marien et al., 2019). The external reproducibilities on ¹³⁸La/¹³⁶Ce ¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd and ¹⁷⁶Lu/¹⁷⁷Hf amount to ≤0.2% (2 RSD). Calculated errors on our reported initial Hf-Nd-Ce isotope compositions represent the propagated of the errors parent/daughter the ratio, age uncertainty and the external reproducibility given multiple by digestions of reference materials.



Fig. 1.2: Co-variation diagrams for selected major and trace elements in mafic-ultramafic to felsic Pilbara Craton samples. a) - e) Selected major and trace elements plotted against MgO demonstrate the preservation of pristine igneous fractionation trends. f) Barium vs. Zr plot illustrating post-magmatic disturbances of large ion lithophile elements. g) and h) show preserved igneous trends for Ce, Nd and Hf (not shown) with Zr, implying that the elements relevant for radiogenic isotope measurements have preserved their pristine igneous composition. Shown symbols also include data from Maier et al., (2009) and Tusch et al., (2021) for samples that were also analyzed in this study.

1.5. Results

1.5.1. Major and trace element compositions

Major and trace element data for mafic-ultramafic samples of the ~3.53-3.31 Ga Warrawoona and Kelly groups are broadly consistent with previously reported data for

rocks from the EPT (Smithies et al., 2007a; Smithies et al., 2018). For mafic-ultramafic samples, MgO contents generally vary between 4.11-29.2 wt.% (Fig. 1.2) (see for further information on major and trace element data). The concentrations of SiO₂ (43.7-54.1 wt.%), TiO₂ (0.218-2.00), and Al₂O₃ (4.88-14.9 wt.%) also vary significantly (Fig. 1.2). Primitive mantle normalized trace element patterns of these samples are predominantly flat, as indicated by moderate La/Yb_{CN} (0.546-3.32) and Gd/Yb_{PM} ratios (0.851-1.93) (Fig. 1.3). Some mafic samples show minor depletions of Nb and Ta compared to La (Nb/La=0.568-1.14) (Fig. 1.3). Ratios of Th/Yb are often lower (0.0535-0.697) when compared to previously published data for EPT samples (Smithies et al., 2018). In most samples, Ce anomalies are absent (Ce/Ce*=0.917-1.17), whereas Eu anomalies occur more frequently and range from 0.754-1.59.

The younger (c. 3.2 Ga) samples of the Soanesville Group, Dalton Suite, and Roebourne Group show similar MgO (6.84-25.7 wt.%), Al_2O_3 (2.44-10.2 wt.%) and SiO₂ contents (40.0-51.4 wt.%) compared to the older Warrawoona and Kelly Group samples, but exhibit significantly lower TiO₂ contents (0.170-0.656 wt.%) (Fig. 1.2). Furthermore, these samples show depletions of LREE over heavy rare-earth elements (HREE), as indicated by lower La/Yb_{CN} (0.761-4.27), and predominantly superchondritic Sm/Nd ratios (0.229-0.372) as previously described (Smithies et al., 2007a, 2018). Compared to the older Warrawoona and Kelly Group samples, Th/Yb (0.0834-0.229) are lower, Nb/La ratios define a narrower range (0.464-0.738), and Eu and Ce anomalies are largely absent (Ce/Ce*=0.962-0.990; Eu/Eu*=0.963-1.27).

Samples of the ~3.12-2.63 Ga Whundo Group, De Grey Supergroup, and the Fortescue Group show generally the highest SiO₂ (48.8-56.7 wt.%) and Al₂O₃ (9.29-15.6 wt.%) contents and the lowest MgO (5.29-15.6 wt.%), excluding two ultramafic rocks from the De Grey Supergroup (MgO>30 wt.%) (Fig. 1.2). Samples of the De Grey Supergroup have the



Fig. 1.3: Primitive mantle (PM) normalized incompatible trace element patterns for selected stratigraphic units, rock types, and geological settings. Additional data from Tusch et al., (2021) for samples that were also analyzed in this study. Colored fields represent compiled literature data. Additional data from Smithies et al., (2018). Primitive mantle after Palme and O'Neill, 2013 and dashed line represents MORB after White and Klein, (2013).

highest incompatible element trace concentrations, including substantial LREE enrichments relative to HREE (La/Yb_{CN}=3.21-4.53) (Fig. 1.3). Significant depletions of Nb-Ta compared to La are present in most of these lithostratigraphic units (Nb/La=0.246-0.823), although the most pronounced and uniform Nb-Ta anomalies are found in the basalts and komatiites of the De Grey Supergroup (Nb/La=0.246-0.339). The oldest (~2.78 Ga) Fortescue Group samples are also characterized by low Nb/La ratios (0.29-0.36) and incompatible trace element patterns that are enriched in more incompatible trace elements (La/Yb_{CN}=1.09-9.19). These samples stand in marked contrast to the youngest (~2.63 Ga) Fortescue Group samples (Jeerinah Formation) that have predominantly flat primitive mantle normalized incompatible trace element patterns (La/Yb_{CN}=1.2-8.9) (Fig. 1.3).

1.5.2. Radiogenic isotopes

A total of 63 samples were analyzed for their ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁷⁶Hf ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd and isotope compositions and a subset of 40 samples were ¹³⁸La-¹³⁸Ce analyzed for their isotope compositions (see Appendix A1). Agecorrected $\epsilon Hf_{(i)}$ and $\epsilon Nd_{(i)}$ values were normalized to the CHUR value of Bouvier et al. (2008) and $\varepsilon Ce_{(i)}$ values were normalized to the CHUR value of Willig and Stracke (2019) and Israel et al., (2019), giving combined ¹³⁸La/¹³⁶Ce and ¹³⁸Ce/¹³⁶Ce ratios of 0.1865 and 1.336878, respectively.

Initial ϵ Hf_(i) values of EPT basalts range from 0.0 to +4.2 (excluding sample Pil16-24 having an ϵ Hf_(i) value of +7.4), whereas komatiites tend to have higher ϵ Hf_(i) values (+1.5 to +8.1; see Appendix A1), in accordance with previous observations by Nebel et al. (2014). Notably, negative ϵ Hf_(i) and ϵ Nd_(i) values were only found in the youngest samples (De Grey



Fig. 1.4: Plots illustrating alteration features in Pilbara rocks. a) Ce/Ce* anomalies increase with increasing SiO₂. b) and c) co-variations of parent/daughter ratios of relevant radiogenic isotope systems indicate, that the majority of samples have preserved their pristine magmatic geochemistry. Additional data from Tusch et al., (2021) for samples that were also analyzed in this study.

Supergroup and Fortescue Group; $\epsilon Hf_{(i)}$ =-2.7 to +5.0; $\epsilon Nd_{(i)}$ =-2.8 to + 3.2). Felsic to intermediate granitic samples of various age yield diverse $\epsilon Hf_{(i)}$ values (-5.8 to +2.0) and $\epsilon Nd_{(i)}$ values (-6.3 to +1.3) that are in good agreement with previously reported zircon data (e.g., Kemp et al., 2015; Gardiner et al., 2017; Petersson et al., 2019).

The majority of our samples display negative initial $\epsilon Ce_{(i)}$ values. Samples without Ce/Ce^{*} anomalies (Fig. 1.4) yield a narrow range in initial $\epsilon Ce_{(i)}$ values (-0.4 to +0.61), whereas samples with Ce/Ce^{*} anomalies show a significantly higher scatter in $\epsilon Ce_{(i)}$ values (-7.4 to + 2.3). Generally, all three isotope systems consistent trends between 3.53 Ga and 2.63 Ga, where $\epsilon Hf_{(i)}$ and $\epsilon Nd_{(i)}$ broadly increase between 3.5-3.2 Ga, although the majority of 3.34 Ga basalt samples of the Kelly Group deviate towards slightly more unradiogenic values (Fig. 1.5). Cerium isotopes show a complementary trend, with decreasing $\epsilon Ce_{(i)}$ values between 3.5-3.2 Ga and a slight increase at 3.34 Ga. Between ca. 2.9-2.7 Ga, $\epsilon Hf_{(i)}$ and $\epsilon Nd_{(i)}$ decrease sharply, while $\epsilon Ce_{(i)}$ values increase slightly. The 2.63 Ga Jeerinah Formation deviates from that trend by showing significantly higher $\epsilon Hf_{(i)}$ and $\epsilon Nd_{(i)}$, as well as lower $\epsilon Ce_{(i)}$ values.

1.6. Discussion

1.6.1. Alteration and its effects on radiogenic isotope systematics

Rocks from the Pilbara Craton have experienced a complex geological history, including hydrothermal alteration and metamorphism that subsequently modified the pristine geochemistry of these rocks (Collins and Van Kranendonk, 1999; Van Kranendonk et al., 2002). Thus, it is crucial to evaluate whether the samples analyzed in this study have preserved their primary REE and HFSE budgets. HFSE, Th, and REE display significant covariations with Zr, indicating that these elements have not been substantially mobilized by secondary processes (Fig. 1.2) (see also Polat et al., 2002). Cerium anomalies in mafic samples are always smaller than 5% (excluding sample Pil16-44a: Ce/Ce*=1.2 and sample 179757: Ce/Ce*=0.92), indicating that the LREE were not substantially mobilized during secondary geological events (Fig. 1.4a) (Polat et al., 2002). Similar to previous studies on Archean rocks (e.g. Vervoort and Blichert-Toft, 1999; Nebel et al., 2014), initial EHf(i) and $\epsilon Nd_{(i)}$ values (and also $\epsilon Ce_{(i)}$ values) show a coherent evolution through time (Fig. 1.5). Furthermore, there are no co-variations between EHf(i), ENd(i), and ECe(i) and loss on ignition (LOI) and all three parent/daughter ratios correlate with each other, indicating primary magmatic trends (Figs. 1.4b and 1.4c). In contrast, all large ion lithophile elements were mobile during post-magmatic events, as suggested by poor correlations with Zr (Fig. 1.2f).

In marked contrast to the mafic rocks, most granitoids display negative Ce/Ce^{*} anomalies, as low as 0.835, that increase with increasing SiO₂ (Fig. 1.4a). This is surprising, as the granitoids studied have preserved a seemingly pristine mineralogy and have very low LOIs (<1.5 wt %). The Ce/Ce^{*} anomalies imply that the granitoids are prone to disturbance of the ¹³⁸La-¹³⁸Ce system, likely during oxidative weathering, where Ce⁴⁺ can become decoupled from the other REE³⁺. We speculate that altered mafic volcanic rocks are less susceptible to terrestrial weathering than granites, as the mafic volcanics contain high amounts of

secondary minerals (e.g., chlorite serpentine, epidote and amphibole) that might be more robust during oxidative terrestrial weathering.

The coupled behavior of ϵ Hf_(i), ϵ Nd_(i), and ϵ Ce_(i) in mafic-ultramafic Pilbara rocks over time (Fig. 1.5) also argues against secondary alteration effects, as the three studied radioactive decay systematics should be variably affected by secondary alteration (e.g., Polat et al., 2002). Most importantly, all whole rock ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd and ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁷⁶Hf (and ¹³⁸La-¹³⁸Ce) age regression lines for individual units yield ages which overlap within error with the reported stratigraphic ages for the formations from which they were sampled (supplementary Figs. 1.1-1.3, Appendix A1). Thus, we conclude that the initial Hf-Nd-Ce isotope compositions determined in this study are sufficiently robust to constrain the depletion history of the Archean mantle beneath the Pilbara Craton, although ¹³⁸La-¹³⁸Ce data for samples with Ce/Ce* anomalies are regarded as altered.

1.6.2. Effects of crustal contamination

Crustal contamination can strongly affect radiogenic isotope compositions and consequently obscure the information on parental mantle sources. The oldest maficultramafic samples in our study (3.53-3.18 Ga) show a broad range of ϵ Hf_(i) and ϵ Nd_(i), correlating with La/Yb (Fig. 1.6f) but not with Nb/Th (Fig. 1.6d). This implies that the magmatic source mixed with a second isotopically heterogeneous component, but this was unlikely continental crust as it has characteristically low Nb/Th ratios. Similar co-variations are also expected for Ce isotopes, but such changes are not easily analytically resolvable. As most of the 3.53-3.18 Ga mafic samples also fall on the MORB-OIB array in Th/Yb vs. Nb/Yb space (Fig. 1.6a), it seems more plausible that the two components involved were primitive mantle-like source and a more depleted mantle endmember.

Unlike the older mafic samples, younger units (De Grey Supergroup, Fortescue Group, and potentially the Whundo Group) show decreasing Nb/Th with decreasing $\epsilon Hf_{(i)}$ (Fig. 1.6c). This observation is best explained by the interaction of primary melts with an enriched component, likely continental crust (Arndt et al., 2001; Mole et al., 2018), but possibly also mantle source enrichment (Smithies et al., 2005a).

1.6.3. Cerium isotope constraints

Although the ¹³⁸La-¹³⁸Ce system has so far only rarely been applied in geochemistry, it can put additional constraints on the implications that are drawn from combined ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁷⁶Hf and ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd systematics, e.g. the origin of strongly decoupled Hf and Nd isotope compositions found in Archean mafic rock successions (Vervoort and Blichert-Toft, 1999; Vervoort et al., 2000; Hoffmann et al., 2011b). One process that was inferred for this decoupling is the fractionation of Ca-perovskite during magma ocean crystallization (e.g.,

Hoffmann et al., 2011b; Rizo et al., 2011). In the presence of perovskite, LREE can be strongly fractionated from Lu and Hf (Corgne and Wood, 2002; Corgne et al., 2005). In the lower mantle, the LREE are mainly affected by the fractionation of Ca- and Mg-perovskite that have D_{La} < D_{Ce} and Ξ D_{Sm}>D_{Nd}, causing pervoskite cumulates to have superchondritic Sm/Nd ratios but subchondritic La/Ce ratios (Fig. 1.4c). Although Ca-perovskite is less abundant than Mg-perovskite, all the LREE are significantly more compatible in the former $(D_{LREE} > 1)$ than the latter phase $(D_{LREE} < 1)$. Lutetium and Hf show the opposite behavior during perovskite fractionation with $D_{Lu}/D_{Hf} \sim 0.5$ for Mg-perovskite, an d D_{Lu}/D_{Hf} ratio of >5 for Caperovskite (Corgne and Wood, 2002; Corgne et al., 2005). Consequently, early segregation of Caand Mg-perovskite would produce perovskite cumulates that exhibit lower La/Ce and higher Sm/Nd ratios compared to bulk silicate Earth, whereas the Lu/Hf ratio is variable, and strongly dependent on the fractions of Ca- and Mgperovskite being crystallized (e.g., Hoffmann et al., 2011b; Rizo et al., 2011; Puchtel et al., 2016). Thus, early Ca-Mg-perovskite cumulates would evolve towards negative cCe values, positive cNd values, and variable EHf values.

To further quantify this process, we conducted trace element modeling, assuming crystallization of 4.5% Ca-perovskite, 85% Mg-perovskite, and 10.5% ferropericlase, in accord with previous estimates (e.g., Hoffmann et al., 2011b; Rizo et al., 2011; Puchtel et al., 2016) (see Appendix A1). Higher abundances of Ca-perovskite would generate extremely unradiogenic Hf isotope compositions over time, whereas lower Ca-



Fig. 1.5: Evolution of radiogenic isotope compositions in Pilbara rocks through geologic time. Panels illustrate a) initial Hf, b) initial Nd, and c) initial Ce isotope compositions. For Hf and Nd isotope compositions, our samples show a constant increase between ca. 3.59-3.18 Ga for most samples with the marked exception of the majority of 3.34 Ga Kelly Group samples. After 3.12 Ga, the Pilbara Craton develops towards more radiogenic Ce and less radiogenic Nd and Hf isotope compositions, reflecting a subduction-like setting and/or crustal contamination of older felsic crust. Errors are only shown for samples of this study and include the propagated errors of the external reproducibility on isotope composition measurements, measured parent/daughter ratios and the errors of the crystallization age of each specific formation. If the individually measured 2 S.E. was larger than the external reproducibility, we chose this error for the error propagation. Additional literature data compiled from Jahn et al., (1981); Gruau et al., (1987); Nelson et al., (1992); Tyler et al., (1992); Amelin et al., (2001); Van Kranendonk et al., (2007b); Guitreau et al., (2012); Nebel et al., (2014); Kemp et al., (2015); Gardiner et al., (2017), (2019); Mole et al., (2018); Petersson et al., (2019).
perovskite abundances would result in extremely positive Zr-Hf anomalies relative to REE. The age for the magma ocean crystallization was set to 4.4 Ga, although changing that age by ±100 Ma hardly affects the isotopic outcome at 3.5 Ga. Depending on the style of crystallization (fractional vs. equilibrium crystallization) and the fraction of crystallized melt (5% to 60%), perovskite cumulates in both crystallization modes develop towards positive ϵ Nd values (ca. +0.8 to +5.5), variable ϵ Hf values (-5.4 to +3.0), and strongly negative ϵ Ce values (-1.0 to -1.5) at 3.5 Ga. The ϵ Ce values of these modelled cumulates at 3.5 Ga would be significantly lower than ϵ Ce values of our oldest 3.53-3.34 Ga samples from the EPT (-0.3 to +0.3) (Fig. 1.5c). The exotic isotope composition that is derived from our model is unmatched by our observed data and thus precludes Ca-Mg perovskite cumulates to be a potential source for Pilbara rocks, which is furthermore consistent with relatively high ¹³⁸La/¹³⁶Ce ratios in our samples (Fig. 1.4c) and an insignificant fractionation of Zr-Hf from Sm-Nd (Fig. 1.3). Altogether, the geochemical evidence suggests that the decoupling of Hf-Nd isotopes in the Pilbara Craton does not stem from an early magma ocean crystallization event, but rather originates from early differentiation events in the upper mantle.

The combination of Ce, Nd and Hf isotopes provides a powerful tool to gain better insight into the history of the early Earth and demonstrates that Ca-Mg cumulate segregation during magma ocean crystallization can be discarded as a cause for extremely high ϵ Hf_(i) values found in Archean rocks from the Pilbara Craton. It still remains ambiguous, however, if the decoupling of Hf and Nd isotopes in other Archean rocks can be explained by perovsite segregation (e.g., Hoffmann et al., 2011b; Rizo et al., 2011; Puchtel et al., 2016) or not (e.g., Hoffmann and Wilson, 2017), although future ¹³⁸La-¹³⁸Ce isotope studies might help to place better constraints on this issue.

1.6.4. Hafnium, Nd and Ce isotope systematics of Pilbara mafic-ultramafic rocks

and their implications for mantle evolution

Some mafic-ultramafic rocks from the Pilbara Craton show a decoupling of their initial Hf-Nd-Ce isotope compositions, with extremely radiogenic EHf(i) values up to +8.1 at significantly lower ɛNd(i) values (Figs. 1.5a and 1.7b). These findings are in apparent contrast to the studies by Kemp et al. (2015) and Petersson et al., (2019; 2020) who postulated a near-chondritic mantle at ~3.6 Ga. Their studies focused on Hf isotope compositions measured in inherited and detrital zircons from granitoids and sedimentary rocks (Kemp et al., 2015) and zircons from mafic to felsic rock successions (Petersson et al., 2019; Petersson et al., 2020). However, zircons in granitoids may not reveal the full depletion history of the Archean mantle, and in particular the TTGs that are thought to result from remelting of older mafic protoliths (Smithies et al., 2009; Hoffmann et al., 2011a; Gardiner et al., 2017; Johnson et al., 2017). Depending on the time elapsed between mantle melting, formation of mafic proto-crust, and TTG formation (hereafter the crustal residence time), the mafic protoliths may have developed unradiogenic Hf isotope compositions. Consequently, zircons that grew during TTG crystallization may have inherited their initial Hf isotope compositions from the evolved isotope composition of the mafic protolith rather than from the ambient mantle.



Fig. 1.6: Isotope and trace element variations illustrating effects of crustal contamination for selected suites. a) All ≤ 2.9 Ga samples b) but only some Paleoarchean samples have inherited an enriched component with high Th/Yb. c) and d) Hybrid mantle sources are likely responsible for decreased $\epsilon Hf_{(i)}$ values of some EPT samples and not continental crust, as no co-variations between $\epsilon Hf_{(i)}$ or $\epsilon Nd_{(i)}$ with Nb/Th are observed, e) and f) but with La/Yb. Co-variations of $\epsilon Hf_{(i)}$ with La/Yb and Th/Nb in younger successions, however, indicate mixing with crustal components rather than hybrid mantle sources. Additional literature data are taken from Tusch et al., (2020) for samples of this study. Additional literature data from the Pilbara Craton are shown here with smaller symbol sizes and without colors. Error estimates are the same as in Figure 1.5. Additional literature data compiled from Palme and O'Neill, (2013) (primitive mantle = PM); Salters and Stracke, (2004) (depleted mantle = DM); Sun and McDonough, (1989) (ocean island basalts = OIB); Rudnick and Fountain, (1995) (Archean TTG-like crust = AC)

Petersson et al., (2019; 2020) reported chondrite-like Hf isotope compositions for 3.59-3.31 Ga zircons from mafic to intermediate rocks from the Pilbara Craton, from which they argued for a chondritic composition of the ambient mantle until ~3.6 Ga. However, the basalts of their study show significant LREE enrichment and strong Nb-Ta depletions. Based on our study, this is best explained by the interaction with an enriched component, most likely reflecting crustal contamination. This is also in accord with previous work by Smithies et al., (2018) who have found evidence for crustally contaminated ~3.5 Ga Pilbara basalts displaying similarly low Nb/Th ratios as those reported by Petersson et al., (2019). Moreover, the presence of basalts with near-chondritic ϵ Hf_(i) does not exclude the presence



Fig. 1.7: Co-variation diagrams between initial Ce, Nd and Hf isotope compositions. a) ϵ Hf_(i) vs. ϵ Nd_(i) for 3.53-3.12 Ga samples show an increase of initial ϵ Hf_(i) and ϵ Nd_(i) values for most mafic samples with time that is best explained by an evolving depleted upper mantle (DUM) component. b) Some samples, in particular komatiites, are decoupled in their ϵ Hf_(i) and ϵ Nd_(i) composition, which is best explained by mixing of primitive mantle with older (~4.2 Ga) residual mantle domains showing decoupled Hf-Nd isotope compositions due to residual garnet. c) Refertilization of the mantle source or crustal contamination can explain the decreased ϵ Hf_(i) vs. ϵ Nd_(i) values found in some 2.94-2.63 Ga samples. d) Values of ϵ Ce_(i) vs ϵ Nd_(i) of unaltered samples show a coherent evolution compared to the ϵ Hf_(i) and ϵ Nd_(i) trend. Importantly, the Hf-Nd-Ce arrays defined by the Pilbara samples all overlap the chondritic value, with an Hf-Nd array for coupled samples of ϵ Hf_(i)= 1.2 (±0.2) × ϵ Nd_(i) + 0.53 (±0.6) that is indistinguishable from the modern day Hf-Nd mantle array. The Ce-Nd array is defined by: ϵ Ce_(i) =-0.14 (±0.07) × ϵ Nd_(i) -0.08 (±0.3) and also overlaps with the present day Ce-Nd array (Israel et al., 2019). Error estimates are the same as in Figure 1.5.

of more depleted mantle, as shown by our study (Figs. 1.5-1.8). If such rocks are interpreted as crustally contaminated, as we favor, they rather provide evidence for the presence of \geq 3.59 Ga felsic basement beneath the Pilbara Craton, which is consistent with inherited zircon data (Van Kranendonk et al., 2002).

Due to the predominantly positive $\varepsilon Hf_{(i)}$ and $\varepsilon Nd_{(i)}$ values in mafic-ultramafic rocks analyzed here, we conclude that the ambient mantle of the Pilbara Craton must have undergone older depletion events prior to 3.5 Ga, as suggested by previously studies (Gruau et al., 1987; Arndt et al., 2001; Smithies et al., 2007b; Tessalina et al., 2010; Nebel et al., 2014; Gardiner et al., 2017). Hafnium and Nd isotope compositions both suggest an onset of mantle-crust differentiation processes at ~4.2 Ga, evolving towards present day EHf and εNd values of +16 and +10, respectively. In contrast, Ce isotopes are not able to place further constraints on that depletion event due to somewhat smaller isotope variations, although Ce isotope evidence is still in accord with a ~4.2 Ga depletion event (assuming a present day ϵ Ce of the depleted upper mantle of -1.5). Nevertheless, there are some samples with near-chondritic $\epsilon Hf_{(i)}$ and $\epsilon Nd_{(i)}$ values that lack evidence for crustal contamination (Pil16-17 and Pil16-20b). These samples likely originated from more primitive mantle sources, possibly from primitive upwelling mantle material added to the depleted upper mantle (cf. Bédard, 2018). Importantly, however, we observe an increase in $\varepsilon Hf_{(i)}$ and $\varepsilon Nd_{(i)}$ and a decrease in $\varepsilon Ce_{(i)}$ with decreasing crystallization age between 3.53 Ga and 3.12 Ga. This is best explained by a depleted mantle source that evolved through geologic time (cf. Smithies et al., 2005b).

Initial Hf and Nd isotope compositions in rocks from the slightly younger (~3.26-3.18 Ga) Roebourne Group, Soanesville Group and Dalton Suite that are all ascribed to a rift-related setting are significantly more radiogenic, with $\varepsilon Ce_{(i)}$ being more unradiogenic, if compared to samples of the 3.34 Ga old Kelly Group (Arndt et al., 2001; Smithies et al., 2007b; Van Kranendonk et al., 2010). In addition, the majority of samples from these younger successions are characterized by elevated Sm/Nd ratios and MORB-like trace element patterns, implying a more depleted mantle source compared to the plume-related rocks of the Warrawoona and Kelly groups, as previously postulated by Smithies et al. (2005b). The observed change in the trace element geochemistry is likely linked to a proposed change in geodynamic setting at ~3.2 Ga from upwelling/plume-like dominated processes to modern style plate tectonics (Smithies et al., 2005a; Smithies et al., 2005b; Van Kranendonk et al., 2007; Van Kranendonk et al., 2010). We conclude that this change from mantle upwelling/plume-related volcanism before ~3.2 Ga to rift-related volcanism after ~3.2 Ga (Smithies et al., 2005b; Van Kranendonk et al., 2010) is mirrored by a change in ambient mantle composition. Such a model is also in accord with observations of increasing PGE abundances (Maier et al., 2009) and decreasing ¹⁸²W isotope anomalies (Tusch et al., 2021b) at the same time, which are suggested to mirror widespread homogenization of the mantle at this time by more efficient vertical mixing. The long-lived isotope systems analyzed in this study can help to better constrain how the involvement of different mantle reservoirs triggered homogenization of late veneer material. Between 3.5 and 3.2 Ga, deeprooted upwelling mantle material that was not yet equilibrated with late veneer material mixed with shallower mantle regions that already equilibrated with late veneer material. Due to a change in the geodynamic setting at 3.2 Ga (Van Kranendonk et al., 2010), the

supply in the upper mantle by upwelling mantle with pre-late veneer signature ceased, resulting in decreased μ^{182} W values (Tusch et al., 2021b)and increased PGE concentrations (Maier et al., 2009) after ~3.2 Ga.

With the emergence of localized subduction by ~3.1 Ga, an arc-like setting led to formation of the 3.12 Ga Whundo Group (Krapez and Eisenlohr, 1998; Smithies et al., 2005a; Smithies et al., 2007c). Our data for Whundo Group samples generally indicate the involvement of an enriched component as implied by somewhat lower Nb/Th ratios and ϵ Hf(i) and ϵ Nd(i) values in these samples (Figs. 1.3, 1.5, 1.6c). In the context of a subduction-like setting that was previously proposed for the Whundo Group (Krapez and Eisenlohr, 1998; Smithies et al., 2005a; Smithies et al., 2007c), it is possible that this enriched component originates from remelting a subducting crust. However, the small number of samples (n=3) analyzed from the Whundo Group hampers a more detailed interpretation of the tectonic setting of the Whundo Group. After the collision of the WPS and the EPT at 3.07 Ga, volcanics of the ~3.0 Ga De Grey Supergroup tapped a metasomatized mantle that was likely re-enriched within a subduction setting at ~3.12 Ga (Smithies et al., 2004; Smithies et al., 2005a). This is mirrored by significantly lower $\varepsilon Hf_{(i)}$ and $\varepsilon Nd_{(i)}$ and higher $\varepsilon Ce_{(i)}$ values in all of the rocks of the De Grey Supergroup (Fig. 1.5). The absence of samples that have positive $\epsilon Hf_{(i)}$, $\epsilon Nd_{(i)}$ and lower $\epsilon Ce_{(i)}$ values argues against a role of AFC processes and supports evidence that the enriched component must have already been distributed within the mantle source (Smithies et al., 2004).

The older units (2.78-2.63 Ga) of the Fortescue Group were contaminated by significantly older crust, as indicated by AFC processes becoming apparent from strongly negative ϵ Hf_(i) and ϵ Nd_(i) and positive ϵ Ce_(i) values that are found in some samples of the Fortescue Group (Arndt et al., 2001; Smithies et al., 2007b; Mole et al., 2018). In contrast, the majority of the younger ~2.63 Ga Jeerinah Formation within the Fortescue Group show no evidence for crustal contamination (except possibly sample 201476), by generally having elevated ϵ Hf_(i) (+4.2 to +5.0) and ϵ Nd_(i) (+0.5 to +3.2), and low ϵ Ce_(i) values (-0.44 to -1.3), suggesting an origin from a depleted mantle domain.

1.6.5. A genetic model for the evolution of the East Pilbara Terrane

Our Hf and Nd isotope results reveal distinct differences between most komatiites and basalts. As ε Hf_(i) values are significantly higher in komatiites compared to most basalts, different mantle reservoirs must have been involved in the formation of the Pilbara Craton. Furthermore, the majority of basalts from the Warrawoona Group have ε Hf_(i) and ε Nd_(i) values that are best explained by an origin from a shallow, depleted upper mantle domain (Gruau et al., 1987; Nisbet et al., 1993; Arndt et al., 2001; Smithies et al., 2005b; Smithies et al., 2007b; Sossi et al., 2016; Bédard, 2018). Nevertheless, some samples investigated here show near-chondritic ε Hf_(i), ε Nd_(i) and ε Ce_(i) values that cannot be explained by crustal contamination. This observation rather implies near-primitive mantle sources for at least some rocks from the Pilbara Craton that likely represent material from deep-rooted upwelling mantle (see also Van Kranendonk et al., 2007a, 2015). However, it is still ambiguous whether komatiites in general were formed in a plume setting (e.g., Arndt et

al., 1997; Arndt et al., 2001; Smithies et al., 2005b) or as a consequence of mantle overturn events (e.g., Bédard, 2018). As our model can be applied to both scenarios, we refer to this process as *'upwelling mantle'* without preferring any of these two processes.

Interestingly, two Warrawoona Group samples (Pil16-17 and Pil16-20b) of this study that display chondritic Hf-Nd-Ce isotope compositions were melted in deeper parts of the mantle, as indicated by the highest Gd/Yb_{PM}=1.72-1.93 and TiO₂/Yb=0.752-0.738. Pressure and temperature estimates following the approach of Lee et al. (2009) confirm that sample Pil16-20b was melted at P-T conditions exceeding the estimates for all other Warrawoona Group samples from the Pilbara Craton by at least 3 GPa and 150°C (supplementary Fig. 1.4, Appendix A1; sample Pil16-17 could not be calculated). In contrast, all other Warrawoona Group samples with more radiogenic $\epsilon Hf_{(i)}$ and $\epsilon Nd_{(i)}$ values were melted in shallower mantle regions as indicated by near-chondritic Gd/Yb_{PM}. As the Paleoarchean basalts from this study show a continuous spectrum from near-chondritic to increasingly positive $\epsilon Hf_{(i)}$ and $\epsilon Nd_{(i)}$ values expected for depleted mantle at that time, we conclude that an upper depleted mantle endmember was mixed with a near-chondritic upwelling mantle between 3.53-3.34 Ga (Figs. 1.5-1.8). In contrast to the majority of the basalts analyzed here, most komatiitic rocks and one basalt from the EPT show highly radiogenic initial Hf isotope compositions that are decoupled from their Ce-Nd isotope compositions. This decoupling can be explained by older melt loss from garnet-bearing residual mantle reservoirs that can efficiently fractionate Lu/Hf from Sm/Nd and La/Ce. In order to reconcile our observations, we conducted isotope and trace element modelling to explain the decoupled Hf-Nd-Ce isotope compositions, as well as the trace element characteristics of rocks from the Pilbara Craton. Following Sossi et al. (2016), a non-modal batch melting model was used. The first step comprised extraction of 10% melt from a lherzolite in the garnet stability field at 4.2 Ga, forming residual mantle domains. We have chosen this age based on our data, as it likely reflects the onset of mantle-crust differentiation beneath the Pilbara Craton (Fig. 1.5). Within 700 Ma, such isolated residual mantle domains may have evolved towards extreme $\epsilon Hf_{(i)} \epsilon Nd_{(i)}$ and $\epsilon Ce_{(i)}$ values of +42, +16 and -1.2, respectively, in accord with present day observations from abyssal peridotites (Salters et al., 2011). Due to the refractory nature of such depleted mantle domains, higher melting temperatures are required, which can explain why the decoupling of Hf-Nd-Ce isotope compositions is mainly found in komatiites as they are a product of high temperature mantle melting (e.g., Arndt et al., 1997). This model can also explain the highly radiogenic but coupled Hf and Nd isotope compositions of sample 179757, where the residual mantle contains more clinopyroxene than orthopyroxene (see Appendix A1). Mass balance calculations, as illustrated in supplementary Figure 1.5 (Appendix A1), suggest that in-mixing of more fertile primitive mantle material would efficiently dilute the Hf-Nd-Ce isotope compositions of such residual domains. Our model demonstrates that mixing between primitive mantle with Hadean residual mantle at almost equal proportions (30-50% residual mantle and 50-70% primitive mantle) creates a hybrid mantle source with trace element and Hf-Nd-Ce isotope characteristics that match those observed in rocks from the Pilbara Craton (Fig. 1.7, supplementary Fig. 1.5, Appendix A1).



Fig. 1.8: Sketch illustrating our proposed geodynamic model for the early evolution of the Pilbara craton as preserved in the EPT. Between ca. 3.5 to 3.3 Ga, near-primitive upwelling mantle mixes with ca. 4.2 Ga old depleted upper mantle (DUM) material and in some cases with residual mantle domains depleted in the garnet stability field. With such hybrid mantle sources (near primitive and garnet-bearing residual mantle domains), the pooled melts may have decoupled Hf-Nd isotope compositions. In contrast, mixing of near-primitive and DUM material (which is most frequent) generates melts that are not decoupled in their Hf and Nd isotope composition and lie in ϵ Hf_(i) vs. ϵ Nd_(i) space somewhere between primitive mantle and DUM recalculated to the time of eruption. Furthermore, the eruption of near-primitive mantle melts that have not mixed with residual domains or DUM material also occurred, although this compositional type must have been rare as only few samples are characterized by near-chondritic Hf and Nd isotope compositions.

Unfractionated Gd/Yb_{PM}=0.851-1.25 and relatively low TiO₂/Yb ratios of all EPT komatiites suggest melting within the spinel stability field, in accord with P-T estimates for the Warrawoona Group (Lee et al., 2009) (supplementary Fig. 1.4, Appendix A1). This apparent contrast to our proposed residual mantle domains from the garnet stability field can be explained by two processes: (1) Anomalously high temperatures of the upwelling mantle shifted the spinel stability field towards significantly higher depths (e.g., Klemme et al., 2009); or (2) convective transport of the residual mantle domains to shallower depths outside the garnet stability field, as previously proposed for the 3.33 Ga Commondale komatiite suite in South Africa (Hoffmann and Wilson, 2017 and references therein). As previously observed by Nebel et al. (2014), and confirmed here, the extremely radiogenic ϵ Hf_(i) values in Pilbara komatiites are absent after ~3.2 Ga (Fig. 1.5), consistent with the proposed change in plate tectonic regime recorded in the Pilbara Craton. As the onset of Phanerozoic-style plate tectonics has long been interpreted to result from decreasing mantle temperatures (cf. Davies, 1992), we therefore conclude that it was this factor, more

than any other, that reduced the proportions of residual mantle domains tapped by mantle melts after 3.2 Ga.

1.7. Conclusions

A combined Hf-Nd-Ce isotope dataset for mafic-ultramafic rocks from the Pilbara Craton, covering all major stratigraphic units, places new constraints on the geodynamic evolution of the Pilbara Craton and the early Archean mantle in general. In mafic-ultramafic successions of the Pilbara Craton, these isotope systematics were insignificantly affected by post-magmatic alteration, implying that the decoupling of Hf isotopes from Ce-Nd isotopes is a primary magmatic feature. Consistently elevated Nb/La ratios in all samples >3.2 Ga preclude AFC processes to have operated during their formation, possibly reflecting the limited extent of evolved continental crust in the Pilbara Craton during the early Archean.

Perovskite fractionation in an ancient magma ocean cannot explain the observed variability in Hf-Nd-Ce isotope compositions, and the Ce-Nd array of the accessible upper mantle was near-chondritic by early Archean time. Rather, the broad variety of $\epsilon Hf_{(i)}$, $\epsilon Nd_{(i)}$ and $\epsilon Ce_{(i)}$ values imply that at least two distinct mantle reservoirs were involved in the formation of these rocks. One reservoir, most likely ambient upper mantle, must have had a long depletion history, commencing at ~4.2 Ga, as constrained by the most depleted basalt samples. A second reservoir with near-chondritic radiogenic isotope ratios likely tapped the lower mantle by continuous mantle upwelling. Most komatiites have significantly higher ε Hf_(i) values that are decoupled from Nd-Ce compositions. This is likely explained by high temperature melting of residual mantle domains that have experienced a previous melt depletion history in the garnet stability field. Samples younger than 3.2 Ga exhibit significantly lower Nb/Th ratios and, in some cases, unradiogenic Hf and Nd isotope compositions, reflecting the involvement of enriched components via subduction zone recycling and crustal contamination. Collectively, our study demonstrates that the radiogenic isotope composition of mafic-ultramafic rocks from Pilbara Craton provides an unprecedented insight into mantle depletion history, further illustrating that depletion of the mantle may have commenced relatively early in Earth's history, in late Hadean time.

Chapter II

Temporal evolution of ¹⁴²Nd signatures in SW Greenland from high precision MC-ICP-MS measurements

2.1. Abstract

Measurements of ¹⁴²Nd isotope signatures in Archean rocks are a powerful tool to investigate the earliest silicate differentiation on the early Earth. We introduce a new analytical protocol to perform high precision radiogenic and mass independent Nd isotope measurements by MC-ICPMS. To validate our method, we have measured wellcharacterized ~3.72 to ~3.8 Ga samples from the ~3.7 to ~3.8 Ga Itsaq Gneiss Complex and associated greenstone belts in SW Greenland, including lithostratigraphic units that were previously analyzed for ¹⁴²⁻¹⁴³Nd isotope systematics, by both TIMS and MC-ICPMS. Our μ^{142} Nd values for ~3.72 to ~3.8 Ga rocks from the Isua region range from +9.2±2.6 to +13.2±1.1 ppm and is in accord with previous studies.

Using coupled ^{142,143}Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd isotope systematics our data for ~3.8 Ga (ultra-) mafic successions from the Isua region, we can confirm previous age constraints on the earliest silicate differentiation events with a differentiation age T_{diff} of $4.417^{+0.045}_{-0.060}$ Ga. Moreover, we can reveal a statistically significant decrease of ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd isotope compositions in the ambient mantle of SW Greenland that already started to decrease in the Eoarchean between ~3.8 Ga (μ^{142} Nd_{3.8Ga} = 13.0±1.1) and ~3.72 Ga (μ^{142} Nd_{3.7Ga} = +9.8±1.0). Our study reveals that ϵ^{143} Nd_(i) and ϵ Hf_(i) values of Isua rocks scatter more than it would be expected from a single stage differentiation event as implied from nearly uniform μ^{142} Nd values, suggesting that the previously described decoupling of Hf and Nd isotopes is not a primordial magma ocean signature. Instead, we conclude that some of the ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd isotope systematics have been established by second stage processes like younger mantle depletion events or recycling of subducted material. Preservation of pristine isochrons largely rules out an explanation by younger alteration events. Based on isotope and trace element modeling, we argue that temporal evolution of coupled ^{142,143}Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd isotope compositions in the ambient mantle of the Isua region is best explained by the progressive admixture of material to the Isua mantle source that must have had present day-like μ^{142} Nd compositions.

2.2. Introduction

The long-lived ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd isotope system has become a key analytical tool in geochronology and geochemistry issues. Its potential can be significantly increased when it is combined with the short-lived 146 Sm- 142 Nd decay system (T_{1/2} = 103 Ma (Friedman et al., 1966; Meissner et al., 1987; Marks et al., 2014)) that was only active the first few 100 Ma. Since the first discovery of anomalous ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd compositions in Archean rocks, this short-lived isotope system has been widely applied to numerous Archean terranes (typically expressed in μ -notation, depicting the ppm deviation from a terrestrial reference material). When combined, coupled ^{147,146}Sm-^{143,142}Nd isotope systematics can yield valuable information about early geodynamic processes. Especially the Isua region in SW Greenland has drawn a particular interest in the scientific community, since this Archean remnant shows elevated ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd compositions that has been interpreted to reflect Hadean silicate differentiation (Caro et al., 2003; Boyet and Carlson, 2005; Caro et al., 2006; Bennett et al., 2007; Rizo et al., 2012). Anomalous ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd isotope compositions are predominantly found in Paleo- to Eoarchean cratons (Boyet and Carlson, 2006; Caro et al., 2006; Rizo et al., 2011; Rizo et al., 2012; Rizo et al., 2016; Caro et al., 2017; Morino et al., 2017) and their broad disappearance after \sim 3.5 to \sim 3.0 Ga has been interpreted to reflect mantle homogenization processes (Boyet and Carlson, 2006; Caro et al., 2006; Bennett et al., 2007; Rizo et al., 2012; Saji et al., 2018; Schneider et al., 2018; Hyung and Jacobsen, 2020). However, with increasing analytical precision and more numbers of rocks being investigated, anomalous ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd isotope compositions have also rarely been reported for Neoarchean and even present day rocks (Debaille et al., 2013; Horan et al., 2018; Peters et al., 2018). Therefore, ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd isotope studies can also provide information on the timing and efficiency of mantle homogenization processes. To better understand mantle homogenization processes, Archean rocks from SW Greenland provide an excellent opportunity as there is a variety of rocks preserved with different crystallization ages (3.85-3.6 Ga Itsaq Gneiss Complex (IGC) and associated greenstone belts (Nutman and Friend, 2009; Amelin et al., 2011), ~3.2-3.5 Ga Ameralik dikes (Nutman et al., 2004; Rizo et al., 2012) and multiple younger ~3.1 to 2.8 Ga subduction-related terranes (Szilas, 2018).

Accurate and high-precision isotope measurements are essential to resolve small ¹⁴²Nd isotope anomalies. In the past thermal ionization mass spectrometry (TIMS) were almost exclusively preferred to conduct such high precision measurements due to small mass fractionation effects. Although the vast majority of recent TIMS studies provided highly precise Nd isotope data (errors usually \leq +/-5 ppm), the accuracy and reliability of TIMS protocols for ¹⁴²Nd measurement has often been debated, largely due to irreproducible mass fractionation effects. Reported problems included issues with the static mode (Brandon et al., 2009b), reservoir mixing on the filament (Upadhyay et al., 2008) or changes in mass fractionation during acquisition steps (Garçon et al., 2018). All these issues call for additional protocols to verify TIMS-based data.

More recently, there has been an increasing number of MC ICP-MS protocols that enabled high precision isotope measurements (e.g., ¹⁸²W or ¹⁴²Nd) with an analytical resolution power similar to that of TIMS analysis (e.g., Willbold, 2007; Saji et al., 2016; Saji et al., 2018; Budde et al., 2019; Tusch et al., 2019). In this present study, we have developed a new MC

ICP-MS protocol to determine mass independent and radiogenic Nd isotope compositions with high precision and accuracy. We applied our newly developed analytical protocol to well characterized ~3.8 to ~3.7 Ga rocks from the IGC and associated greenstone belts, the ~3.3 to ~3.5 Ga Ameralik dikes and several terrestrial reference materials. Due to the high number of existing ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd data on Isua rocks, they allow an assessment of our new protocol in terms of accuracy and precision (e.g., Caro et al., 2003; Boyet and Carlson, 2005; Caro et al., 2006; Bennett et al., 2007; Rizo et al., 2011; Saji et al., 2018). In addition we have measured younger ~3.1 to ~2.0 Ga rocks from subduction zone-related rocks. These data are incorporated into the existing framework that investigates the early differentiation history of Earth and helps to better understand the mechanisms that homogenized initially heterogeneous Eoarchean ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd isotope compositions by the end of the Archean.

2.3. Geological background and sample description

Unlike many other Archean terranes that are usually of Paleoarchean age or younger, the Eoarchean 3.85-3.6 Ga IGC and associated greenstone belts allow insights into Eoarchean evolution of the Earth (Nutman and Friend, 2009). For supracrustal belts within the IGC, the Isua region has attracted increasing attention in the last decades, due to its good preservation (metamorphism up to amphibolite facies at locally little deformation), with some domains having only experienced little to no post-3.5 Ga strain (e.g., Moorbath et al., 1977; Friend et al., 1996; Nutman et al., 1999; Polat et al., 2002; Polat and Hofmann, 2003). Generally, the Isua Supracrustal Belt (ISB) can be divided into two formerly separate terranes, a northern ~3.7 Ga old terrane and a southern ~3.8 Ga old terrane that both show geochemical similarities to modern island arcs (Polat et al., 2002; Polat and Hofmann, 2003; Nutman and Friend, 2009). In the region south of the Isua greenstone belt (SOISB), the IGC contains a mixture of ~3.8 Ga felsic rocks and amphibolites that are preserved as enclaves in low strain domains (Friend et al., 1996; Nutman et al., 2002; Crowley, 2003; van de Löcht et al., 2020) within up to 3.85 Ga old TTG orthogneisses (Amelin et al., 2011) (Figs. 2.1 and Extended Data Fig. 2.1).

An interlayered <3.75 Ga mylonitized sedimentary unit within the ISB separates the northern ~3.7 Ga terrane from the older ~3.8 Ga southern terrane. Its deformation resulted from the 3.69-3.66 Ga juxtaposition of the northern and southern terrane (Nutman et al., 2007; Nutman et al., 2009) (Fig. 2.1). The ~3.7 Ga terrane can be subdivided into three subterranes that are associated with the occurrence of boninites, island arc tholeiites and intermediate to felsic schists (Polat et al., 2002; Polat and Hofmann, 2003; Nutman et al., 2009). Due to their strong geochemical similarities with modern analogues from subduction zone settings, the metavolcanic rocks were interpreted to have formed in a similar geodynamic setting (Polat et al., 2002; Polat and Hofmann, 2003; Hoffmann et al., 2010; Hoffmann et al., 2011b; Hoffmann et al., 2012; van de Löcht et al., 2020). Between 3.69 and 3.66 Ga, both terranes were juxtaposed (Crowley, 2003; Nutman and Friend, 2009).



During the Paleoarchean, the amalgamated terranes were intruded by several generations of east-west oriented dikes that are typically referred to as Ameralik dike swarm (Nutman et al., 2004). The ages for most of the Ameralik dikes near the Isua area cluster around ~3.4 Ga (Rizo et al., 2012) although younger ages as low as 3265±15 Ma have been reported (Nutman et al., 2004).

Increased volcanic activity was reinitiated at ~3.08 to 2.84 Ga and is recorded here by samples from the ~3.08 Ga Ivisaartoq supracrustal belt as well as metavolcanic rocks in the ~2.97 Ga Ameralik Fjord Region that also contains younger, ~2.0 Ga dikes (Polat et al., 2009; Polat et al., 2010). Geochemical data for both terranes revealed the influence of older recycled material, making a subduction zone setting the most likely geodynamic setting for the formation of these younger greenstone belts (Szilas et al., 2015a; Szilas et al., 2016).

2.4. Methods

2.4.1. Sample dissolution and separation of clean Nd cuts

The dissolution of sample powders follows the chemical protocol of Tusch et al., (2019) and will only be summarized in brief (see Extended Data Table 2.1 and Extended Data Fig. 2.2). Each digestion involved 1 g of sample material that was dissolved in 15 ml 24 M HF + 15 ml 14 M HNO₃ for 2 days at 140°C and subsequently evaporated until near dryness. Subsequently, 5 ml 14 M HNO₃ were added and dried down to near dryness. This step was repeated three times to remove residual HF without forming unsolvable fluoride precipitates. Afterwards, the samples were dissolved in 30 ml 6 M HCl at 120 to 150 °C for 48 hours. In case of residual precipitates, this last step was repeated until clear sample solutions were obtained.

The separation for ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd analysis follows a five-step ion exchange protocol to achieve maximum Nd purification (Extended Data Table 2.1). The first separation step (step I) follows the first-stage ion exchange column protocol of Tusch et al., (2019) and provides a rare earth element (REE) cut that is mostly free of matrix elements. In case of analysis that required more than 1g of sample material, REE cuts were combined after this separation step. In a next step (step II), REE were separated from the remaining matrix (mainly residual alkaline and alkaline earth metals) by using cation exchange resin and different HCl molarities. This matrix free REE cut was dried down and re-dissolved in 10 M HNO₃/20 mM KBrO₃ to fully oxidize Ce³⁺ to Ce⁴⁺. Next (step III), Ce was separated from the remaining REE on Ln spec resin, following a slightly modified separation protocol of Schnabel et al. (2017), where \geq 99.95% of Ce is removed from the remaining LREE cut. Subsequently, (step IV), separation step II was repeated, to remove K that was introduced by the KBrO₃ from the previous separation. Finally (step V), Nd was separated from the remaining LREE using 30 cm long glass columns that were filled with 6 ml of 50 µm Ln Spec resin. The columns were filled with 400 µl of anion resin on top in order to prevent the Ln Spec resin from floating up, which might broaden the eluted element peaks. This step purifies Nd from Pr and Sm as well as from residual Ce. In order to remove as much Pr as possible and losing the least Nd, we separately collected the last 3-5 ml before the expected onset of the Nd peak in 1 ml steps and analyzed 1‰ aliquots to determine Pr and Nd contents. Eventually, these 1 ml rinsing steps were added to the final Nd cut to obtain the highest Nd yields possible at low Pr monitors. This procedure allowed Nd yields of ~95% during separation V while ~75% of the Pr was removed. After separation steps II-V, we dried down the samples and treated the residue with 80 μ l 14 M HNO₃ + 40 μ l 30 % H₂O₂ at low temperatures (\leq 60°C) to destroy possible organic compounds.

For long-lived ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁷⁶Hf and ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd isotope systematics, 150 mg of sample powder were spiked with mixed ¹⁵⁰Nd-¹⁴⁹Sm and ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁸⁰Hf isotope tracers and digested in 8 ml 1:1 HF-HNO₃ for one day. After the first digestion step, samples were dried down redissolved in 8 ml 1:1 HF-HNO₃ and digested in Parr[©] bombs at 180 °C for three days (Hoffmann et al., 2011a). Subsequently, samples were dried to near dryness, when 5 ml of conc. HNO₃ were added and dried down to near dryness again. This step was repeated three times to remove HF without forming insoluble fluoride precipitates. After the removal of HF, samples were redissolved in 8 ml 6 M HCl in which they were fully dissolved. Pure fractions of Lu and Hf were obtained following the chemical separation protocol of Münker et al., (2001). A light rare earth element-bearing cut was further separated from matrix elements by cation exchange using stage one from the separation protocol of Schnabel et al., (2017). From this LREE-bearing cut, pure fractions of Sm and Nd were obtained following the chemical separation protocol of Pin and Zalduegui (1997).

2.4.2. Mass spectrometry

All Nd isotope measurements were performed on a Neptune Plus MC ICP-MS at University of Cologne. We used a 50 μ l/min C-Flow Nebulizer that was connected to an Apex Q desolvation system. For the Apex exhaust, we used an external peristaltic pump. The internal gas line of the Apex was connected to a N₂ gas line. The sample-out gas line of the Apex was attached to a Scott type double pass glass spray chamber by a 1.8 mm injector. In between the Apex and the injector, we connected an additional Ar gas line. We used H-skimmer cones as this has shown to ensure the most stable signals, typically yielding ~7 V on ¹⁴²Nd per 100 ppb Nd.

All seven Nd isotopes, ¹⁴²Nd, ¹⁴³Nd, ¹⁴⁴Nd, ¹⁴⁵Nd, ¹⁴⁶Nd, ¹⁴⁸Nd and ¹⁵⁰Nd were measured as well as ¹⁴⁰Ce and ¹⁴⁷Sm monitors to correct for isobaric interferences on masses ¹⁴²Nd, ¹⁴⁴Nd, ¹⁴⁸Nd and ¹⁵⁰Nd, respectively. For all Nd isotopes, faraday cups were connected to $10^{11} \Omega$ amplifiers, while $10^{13} \Omega$ amplifiers were used for faraday cups that monitored ¹⁴⁰Ce and ¹⁴⁷Sm. Mass bias was corrected assuming the exponential law and ¹⁴⁶Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd = 0.7219 or ¹⁴⁸Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd = 0.241578 (hereafter denoted as 6/4 or 8/4). If not explicitly noted otherwise, all reported ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd isotope data were corrected for mass bias by using ¹⁴⁸Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd. A gain calibration among the faraday cups and a baseline (1200 integration steps with 1.05 s each) were measured daily. Individual measurements typically comprised 60 cycles (8.4 s integration time) and were usually run between 25 to 35V on ¹⁴²Nd. Sample solutions were always bracketed by a referenced JNdi-1 standard solution and individual samples were measured repeatedly (usually 10 to 12 times). Potential ¹⁴¹Pr¹H interferences on mass 142 were checked by measuring a Pr-doped JNdi-1 at the beginning of each analysis and the general stability of the instrument was ensured by measuring an LP-1 in house standard (La Palma Basalt) at least every ~36 hours (Extended Data Fig. 2.3). To be able to measure samples repeatedly at such high intensities, $\sim 3 \mu g$ Nd were consumed per sample. The intensity of samples and standards were matched within ≤5% to each other and the analysis of samples and standards were interrupted by 300s of wash time. Accordingly, the measurement time for one sample amounts to ~7 hours. Procedural blanks were always less than 16 ng, resulting in negligible blank contributions of ≤0.5%. The typical internal precision of one single measurement typically amounts to a 2 SE of ± 5 , ± 5 , ±4, ±3 and ±8 ppm for μ^{142} Nd, μ^{143} Nd, μ^{145} Nd, μ^{146} Nd, and μ^{150} Nd values (8/4), respectively. Reported errors for repeatedly analyzed samples depict the 95% CI, although we consider our intermediate precision of ±1.4 ppm as minimum error.

For long-lived isotope systematics, measured $^{143}Nd/^{144}Nd$ isotope data was mass bias corrected using the exponential law and assuming a $^{146}Nd/^{144}Nd$ ratio of 0.7219. All $^{143}Nd/^{144}Nd$ data are reported relative to the La Jolla reference material, having a

¹⁴³Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd composition of 0.511859. Our intermediate precision for ¹⁴³Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd compositions amounts to ±0.4 ε -units and is considered as uncertainty of ¹⁴³Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd analysis. Hafnium isotope analyses were corrected using the exponential law and assuming a ¹⁷⁹Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf of 0.7325. All data are given relative to the Münster AMES JMC, having a ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf ratio of 0.282160. The intermediate precision on ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf isotope ratios amounts to ±0.4 ε -units. The errors on parent/daughter ratio amount to 0.2%. Our quoted errors for initial Nd and Hf isotope compositions include the errors from our external reproducibility, errors on parent/daughter ratios, and errors on the crystallization ages. All data are reported relative to the CHUR values of Bouvier et al., (2008). Total procedural blanks were 35 pg for Nd, 56 pg for Sm, 41 pg for Lu and 26 pg for Hf.

2.5. Results

We have obtained ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd isotope data for a variety of previously investigated Archean samples from southwest Greenland, as well as for some modern rocks (including certified reference materials) and standard solutions. The dataset includes 15 different felsic to (ultra-) mafic rocks that lie within the IGC. Measured μ^{142} Nd values for individual ~3.72 to ~3.8 Ga samples range from +9.2±2.6 to +13.6±1.4, giving a mean value of +11.2±3.4 which is in excellent agreement with previous studies (Fig. 2.2a) (Boyet and Carlson, 2005; Caro et al., 2006; Bennett et al., 2007; Rizo et al., 2011; Saji et al., 2018). This value also overlaps with the analysis of one sample from the Narssaq ultramafic body (μ^{142} Nd = +11.6 ±2.2). Mantle-derived rock samples from ~3.8 Ga enclaves in the SOISB area yield slightly, but resolvably higher μ^{142} Nd values of +13.0±1.1 when compared to mantle-derived rocks from the ~100 Ma younger ISB (μ^{142} Nd = +9.8±1.0). In addition, we have measured three samples from the Ameralik dike swarm (including replicate digestions) that yield homogeneous μ^{142} Nd compositions of +3.8±1.1). This mean value is also indistinguishable from the value obtained by Saji et al. (2018) (μ^{142} Nd = +4.9±1.8; Fig. 2.2b). Two mafic rocks from the Ivisaartog supracrustal belt, two mafic rocks samples from the Ameralik fjord region as well as one 2.0 Ga dike (including one replicate) from SW Greenland all bear small excesses in μ^{142} Nd, ranging from +5.9±2.1 to +2.7±2.2 (Fig. 2.2c). To obtain a coherent set of coupled ^{143,142}Nd and ¹⁷⁶Hf data, samples that lack available ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd or ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁷⁶Hf isotope data were also determined here (including all Ameralik dikes and the ~2.0 Ga Proterozoic dike). Ameralik dikes generally have strongly homogeneous $\epsilon^{143}Nd_{(i)}$ values of +1.9±0.4 to +2.4±0.4, in good agreement with previous studies (Saji et al., 2018). Calculated EHf_(i) values are similar to ϵ^{143} Nd_(i) values but slightly higher (+2.6±0.4 to +2.9±0.4). In contrast, the 2.0 Ga dike show lower ε^{143} Nd_(i) (+0.2±0.4) and ε Hf_(i) values (+0.8±0.4).

Furthermore, two individual digestions of the geological reference material BHVO-2 gave μ^{142} Nd values of -0.2±2.1 and +1.0±1.8, respectively, in excellent agreement with previous results (Saji et al., 2016; Schneider et al., 2018; Hyung and Tissot, 2021). To further validate our method, we also measured the μ^{142} Nd- μ^{143} Nd compositions for the different digestions of the reference material BHVO-2 that was doped with different amounts of sample 10-38, having an average μ^{142} Nd value of +12.5±2.0. Prior to digestion, sample powders were mixed at different proportions (25%, 50% and 75% of added BHVO-2). These mixing ratios should have resulted in μ^{142} Nd excesses of ~+9, +6 and +3 ppm and are in good agreement

with our observed values of +8.0±1.7, 5.5±1.8 and 1.6±1.9, respectively. The analysis of a La Jolla reference material yields slightly elevated μ^{142} Nd values of +2.6±2.5, in perfect agreement with previous results (Saji et al., 2016). Praseodymium-doped JNdi-1 standards measured here never revealed resolvably elevated μ^{142} Nd compositions (-0.9±3.6 to +1.3±1.4). We have also measured several modern rock samples and certified reference materials (Fig. 2.2d), including one intraplate basalt from the Eifel volcanic field in Germany (Ei-27), one intraplate basalt from the Hyblean Plateau in Italy (IBL-1), as well as the granite reference material JG-1 that have μ^{142} Nd values of +0.9±2.9, +1.0±1.9 and -0.4±1.4, respectively.

2.6. Discussion

2.6.1. Interferences and mass independent isotope effects

High precision ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd isotope measurements are hampered by four isobaric interferences (¹⁴²Ce, ¹⁴⁴Sm, ¹⁴⁸Sm and ¹⁵⁰Sm). Due to the highly efficient redox chemistry (step III) and the final REE separation (step V), Ce monitors in our samples were always smaller than Ce monitors in our standard solutions (¹⁴²Ce/¹⁴²Nd typically below 4×10^{-7}), except for three samples that had insignificantly higher Ce interferences. For Sm interferences on mass 144, 148 and 150, our samples had always lower Sm monitors than our standard solutions, typically having a ¹⁴⁴Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd of 2×10^{-6} . Measurements of Ce and Sm doped standards (0.02 ppb Sm or Ce and 400ppb Nd) yielded ¹⁴⁴Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd and ¹⁴²Ce/¹⁴²Nd ratios of 2×10^{-5} . Both doped standards yielded μ^{142} Nd values that were indistinguishable from zero (-0.4±3.4 for Sm-doped JNdi-1, and +0.6±2.4 for Ce-doped JNdi-1).

In addition to isobaric interferences, ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd analysis can be compromised by molecular interference of ¹⁴¹PrH on ¹⁴²Nd as previously shown by Saji et al., (2016). To be able to eliminate analytical artifacts of ¹⁴¹PrH on ¹⁴²Nd, we measured a Pr-doped JNdi-1 standard solution at the beginning of each measurement session that had Pr/Nd ratios slightly higher than chondritic (Pr:Nd > 1:7) which would be expected for highly enriched samples that underwent insufficient Pr-Nd separation. Surprisingly, measured Pr-doped standard solutions never revealed detectable analytical artifacts on ¹⁴²Nd, although Saji et al., (2016) reported excesses of up to ~+9 ppm in Pr-doped standard solutions with chondritic Pr/Nd ratios. Although the reasons for this discrepancy remain unknown, we speculate that this could be linked to the use of an X-skimmer cone (as done by Saji et al., (2016)) which might promote the formation of ¹⁴¹Pr¹H interferences.

For high precision isotope measurements, high yields during chemical separation are essential. First, high yields allow performing replicate measurements at the highest signal intensities possible. Secondly, loss of material during chemical separation can induce mass independent isotope effects that might not be fully correctable, causing artificial isotope anomalies (Thirlwall, 1991; Wombacher and Rehkämper, 2003). We have analyzed the first 15% yield fraction of an LP-1, partly eluted during separation step V, revealing strong mass independent Nd isotope fractionations. This fraction bears strong mass independent

excesses of higher masses (μ^{150} Nd (6/4) = +45.3±5.4) and deficits (although not resolvable) on μ^{142} Nd (6/4) = -4.1±4.8). This finding is in excellent agreement with findings by Saji et al., (2016) who have conducted equivalent tests using the same ion exchange resin. These authors have concluded that this fractionation pattern is produced by nuclear field shift, in accord with results by Garçon et al., (2018), who observed similar nuclear field shift-induced fractionation patterns.

The mass independent fractionation caused by nuclear field shift might also be responsible for small deficits in μ^{150} Nd values found in some of our samples. Consequently, it has to be evaluated if a potential nuclear field would also affect μ^{142} Nd values, since our mass bias correction relies on accurate and unfractionated ¹⁴⁸Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd ratios. In contrast to the



Fig. 2.2: 142Nd/144Nd isotope compositions of samples from SW Greenland and modern rocks. a) comparison of ~3.7 to ~3.8 Ga rocks from the ISB with previously reported literature data. All mean values obtained here overlap within error with previous studies. However, ~3.8 Ga (ultra-) mafic rocks from this study exhibit $\mu^{142}\text{Nd}$ excesses that can be statistically resolved from ~3.72 Ga mantle-derived rocks. One sample from the Narssag Ultramafic body (purple) also reveals similar µ142Nd excesses as ~3.7 to ~3.8 Ga Isua rocks, in line with their proposed Eoarchean age (van de Löcht et al., 2020). b) compositions of ~3.4 Ga Ameralik dyke swarm samples c) ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd isotope composition of Mesoarchean to Proterozoic rocks from SW Greenland d) ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd isotope composition of various modern terrestrial rocks and reference materials. The grey error band drawn throughout the figure depicts the intermediate precision of ±1.4 ppm (2 r.s.d.). Errors shown for individual samples are the 95% CI intermediate intervals, our precision of ±1.4 ppm is considered as minimum error. For literature means, the 2 r.s.d. are used. Literature data are compiled from several studies (Boyet and Carlson, 2006; Caro et al., 2006; Bennett et al., 2007; Rizo et al., 2011; Rizo et al., 2012; Saji et al., 2018).



Fig. 2.3: Comparison of ¹⁴⁸Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd vs. ¹⁴⁶Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd corrected ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd data that are expected to plot on a 1:1 line. The best-fit line intersects the x-axis at +0.6 \pm 0.5 with a slope of +1.04 \pm 0.09, implying that both mass bias corrections work properly.

slightly scattering μ^{150} Nd (8/4) of LP-1 analysis (+3.0±4.7 to -13.2±1.6), measured μ^{148} Nd values (6/4) remain unfractionated (-3.3±2.8 to +3.9±2.7). The LP-1 analysis with the strongest μ^{150} Nd (8/4) deficit -13.4±3.4 ppm still retains a μ^{142} Nd (8/4) value (+0.1±2.3) and a μ^{142} Nd (6/4) value (+0.7±3.5) that are indistinguishable from our long-term average for this reference material (μ^{142} Nd = +0.4±1.4 and μ^{142} Nd (6/4) = +1.1±2.1) (Extended Data Fig. 2.3). Such a magnitude of 150 Nd/ 144 Nd fractionation of was only exceeded by one sample (JEH 2007-04), where the μ^{150} Nd (8/4) value amounts to -14.6±2.3. A replicate digestion and analysis of that sample revealed identical μ^{142} Nd (8/4) (+4.5±1.6 and 4.0±1.6) and μ^{142} Nd (6/4) values (+6.6±1.7 and +5.5±1.5) at less fractionated μ^{150} Nd (8/4) Nd values (-14.6±2.3 and -10.3±3.7). Since fractionated ¹⁵⁰Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd compositions of less than -15 ppm did not induce any artificial effects on μ^{142} Nd (8/4) values, we take this as evidence that the effects on ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd analysis are negligible, given the magnitude of mass independent Nd isotope fractionation found for our protocol. An insignificant contribution by nuclear field shift effects on ¹⁴⁸Nd isotope abundances is further verified in ¹⁴⁶Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd and ¹⁴⁸Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd corrected ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd data as both mass bias corrections yield identical ¹⁴²Nd results. In μ^{142} Nd (6/4) vs. ¹⁴²Nd (8/4) space, all samples plot on the predicted 1:1 line (Fig. 2.3). We therefore conclude that a slight contribution of nuclear field shift might explain our small scatter in ¹⁵⁰Nd isotope abundances for our LP-1 standard (and some other samples) whereas such effects are negligible for ¹⁴⁸Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd and consequently also for 8/4 corrected ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd ratios, of which the variations are only caused by our statistical errors.

2.6.2. Method verification

Resolving isotope compositions at the ppm level is challenging due to the different interference and mass independent isotope effects described above. In order to carefully validate our separation and measurement protocol we took three approaches. (1) In order to cross-reference with previous studies (Boyet and Carlson, 2006; Caro et al., 2006; Bennett et al., 2007; Rizo et al., 2016; Saji et al., 2018), we measured ~3.72 to 3.8 Ga Isua rocks and ~3.4 Ga Ameralik dikes that were previously shown to exhibit homogenous μ^{142} Nd excesses of +10.5±1.8 ppm and +4.7±1.7, respectively (Saji et al., 2018) (Figs. 2.2a and b). (2) Additionally, we doped an excess-bearing sample (10-38) with an excess-free terrestrial reference material (BHVO-2) to verify that can we can resolve small predicted



Fig. 2.4: Measured μ^{142} Nd vs. μ^{143} Nd compositions for processed reference material BHVO-2 that was doped with different amounts of SW Greenland sample 10-38 (green). Mean values for sample 10-38 (μ^{142} Nd=12.5±2.0)) and BHVO-2 (+0.4±1.8) are taken from this study (red). Errors for mixed standards are the same as in Figure 3 and for the two standard endmember compositions, the 2 r.s.d. from their respective mean value was used.

anomalies (Fig. 2.4). (3) We performed repeated digestions and analysis of our in-house reference material LP-1 to obtain an intermediate precision of ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd analysis (Extended Data Fig. 2.3).

Individual ~3.7-3.8 Isua samples from this study exhibit μ^{142} Nd values that range from +9.2±2.6 to +13.6±1.4. Our ~3.7-3.8 Isua rocks yield a mean μ^{142} Nd value of +11.2±3.4, in good agreement with the mean MC ICP-MS value obtained by Saji et al. (2018) (μ^{142} Nd = 10.7±1.8) but is also in good agreement with results from previous TIMS studies (Boyet and Carlson, 2006; Caro et al., 2006; Bennett et al., 2007; Rizo et al., 2016) (Fig. 2.2a). Furthermore, we digested, and analyzed three different Ameralik dike samples (10-41, SG-03 and JEH 2007-04) twice, with the individual replicates overlapping with each other within ≤0.5 ppm. Our μ^{142} Nd mean value for the Ameralik dikes amounts to +3.8±1.1 and is in excellent agreement with the mean value obtained by Saji et al., (2018) (μ^{142} Nd = +4.7±1.7), but does not confirm the strongly heterogeneous compositions reported by Rizo et al., (2012) (Fig. 2.2b). Considering the strongly fractionated mass-independent Nd isotope compositions (μ^{150} Nd up to +42.4; μ^{145} Nd up to +15.3) reported by Rizo et al. (2012), we speculate that their negative ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd isotope compositions reported for Ameralik dikes rather represent analytical artifacts, a conclusion that was previously also drawn by Saji et al. (2018).

The results of the mixing test of the excess-bearing sample 10-38 mixed with different amounts of BHVO-2 reference material is also in good agreement with the expected ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd compositions. When plotted in μ^{142} Nd vs. μ^{143} Nd space, combined powders of BHVO-2 and sample 10-38 constitute a straight mixing line between the respective endmember compositions, demonstrating the accuracy and precision of our data (Fig. 2.4).

Finally, we have measured juvenile volcanic rocks that are not expected to carry anomalous ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd compositions, comprising one intraplate basalt from the Quaternary Eifel volcanic field in Germany (Ei-27), one intraplate basalt from the Hyblean Plateau on Sicily (IBL-1) as well as the two terrestrial reference materials JG-1 and BHVO-2 (Fig. 2.2d). Our results for BHVO-2, including a replicate analysis, amount to a mean μ^{142} Nd = +0.4±1.8 (2r.s.d.), in excellent agreement with previous data (Burkhardt et al., 2016; Saji et al., 2016; Garçon et al., 2018; Schneider et al., 2018; Hyung and Tissot, 2021; Wang and Carlson, 2022). Furthermore, the analysis of a La Jolla reference material reveal mass-independent isotope effects for the different Nd masses (μ^{142} Nd = +2.6±2.5, μ^{145} Nd = -5.7±2.1 and μ^{150} Nd= +13.3±4.3), in good agreement with previous MC ICP-MS results (Saji et al., 2016). Multiple analysis (N = 23) of seven different digestions from our in-house reference material LP-1 (historical La Palma basalt) that were processed and analyzed together with our samples, were used to determine our intermediate precision. They yield an average μ^{142} Nd value of +0.5±1.4 (2r.s.d.) and +1.0±2.2 (2r.s.d.) if normalized to 8/4 and 6/4, respectively (Extended Data Fig. 2.3). We consider this intermediate precision as minimum error for our ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd measurements. Due to its superior intermediate precision, we prefer the 8/4 correction, and, if not stated differently this normalization is used hereafter.

2.6.3. μ^{142} Nd excesses in Greenland rocks

2.6.3.1. ^{142,143}Nd differentiation model ages

Coupled ^{147,146}Sm-^{143,142}Nd isotope systematics are a powerful tool to unravel planetary silicate differentiation processes. By combining these two decay series, it is possible to determine the timing of ancient mantle depletion, since the slope in μ^{142} Nd and ϵ^{143} Nd_(i) space is a function that depends on the differentiation age (e.g., Harper and Jacobsen, 1992; Caro et al., 2003; Bennett et al., 2007). However, this application relies on determining accurate μ^{142} Nd and ϵ^{143} Nd_(i) values of a mantle reservoir at a given age.

The major problem for calculating accurate ^{142,143}Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd model ages arises from inaccurate ε^{143} Nd_(i) values (Fig. 2.5). To minimalize these effects we did not extrapolate samples to one uniform crystallization age, since the calculation ε^{143} Nd_(t) values at any other time than their crystallization ages creates biased ε^{143} Nd_(t) values. Instead, we have only considered samples that cluster in a very narrow age range (\leq ±30 Ma), causing insignificant propagated uncertainties on ε^{143} Nd_(i) values. Moreover, TTGs were excluded here since they are the product of remelting older precursor rocks (Hoffmann et al., 2011a). Schneider et al., (2018) were able to show that the μ^{142} Nd anomalies found in TTGs often seem to have a higher magnitude compared to contemporaneous mantle-derived rocks which would cause further bias in our approach (Fig. 2.2a). This is also in accord with a 3.715 Ga TTG sample from this study (229403) that seems to have higher μ^{142} Nd values compared to contemporaneous (ultra-) mafic rocks (Fig. 2.2a). Furthermore, a variable crustal residence time between the emplace of the mafic precursor rocks and the subsequent TTG extraction can also lead to variable ε^{143} Nd_(i) values, causing further scatter in this model age approach.

For the reasons above, our data set is restricted to mantle-derived samples that fall into a narrow age range of 3.8±0.030 Ga. As already suggested in previous studies, we have also included ¹⁴²Nd-¹⁴³Nd data from the Eastern Superior Craton as they likely were affected by the same differentiation event (Caro et al., 2017; Morino et al., 2017; Saji et al., 2018). In In this way we can combine our data with literature data from the near-contemporaneous ~3.78 Ga Saglek Block and the 3.78 Ga Nuvvuagittuq Greenstone Belt (O'Neil et al., 2008; Morino et al., 2017) to infer a differentiation model age for the North Atlantic Craton and Eastern Superior Province. We have also included samples from the Ukalig Greenstone Belt (Caro et al., 2017) for which it was shown to have a close genetic link and a similar emplacement ages as the ~3.78 Ga Nuvvuagittuq Greeenstone Belt (Cates et al., 2013; Chowdhury et al., 2020). Our inferred model age including all samples amounts to 4.347 $\pm_{0.005}^{0.005}$ Ga and is in good agreement with previous studies that vary between ~4.32 to ~4.53 Ga (Caro et al., 2003; Boyet and Carlson, 2005; Caro et al., 2006; Bennett et al., 2007; Rizo et al., 2011; Morino et al., 2017; Morino et al., 2018; Saji et al., 2018). Notably the highest inferred model ages of ~4.5 (Boyet and Carlson, 2005; Bennett et al., 2007; Rizo et al., 2012) is likely linked to the assumption that bulk Earth has a 20 ppm lower μ^{142} Nd composition, which created steeper slopes in the ¹⁴²Nd-¹⁴³Nd arrays that has led to higher inferred differentiation model ages.

Despite our screening, accurate ¹⁴²Nd-¹⁴³Nd differentiation model ages are still hampered by the large scatter of ϵ^{143} Nd_(i) values (Fig. 2.5). This could imply that in some samples the longlived ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd systematics have been modified due to multiple differentiation events, magma mixing (i.e., added slab melts or crustal contamination) or post-magmatic alteration (e.g., Moorbath et al., 1997; Frei et al., 2002; Hoffmann et al., 2011b; Caro et al., 2017). For example, one sample from this study and one sample from the Saglek block (Morino et al., 2017) even plot in the forbidden zone of this isochron (Fig. 2.5a). This is also the case for sample PB-3 from (Saji et al., 2018) that has not been included here as it belongs to the younger ~3.7 Ga ISB. On the other hand, some of the samples from the Nuvvuagittuq Greenstone Belt (O'Neil et al., 2008) have positive $\epsilon^{143}Nd_{(i)}$ of ~+2 despite negative μ^{142} Nd values. When applying a screening for samples that fall off the ¹⁴²Nd-¹⁴³Nd array, a higher inferred age of $4.387 \pm \substack{0.007\\0.007}$ Ga can be calculated. Although these ages pretend errors of <10 Ma, they clearly suffer from poor

Fig. 2.5: Plot illustrating coupled ¹⁴²Nd-¹⁴³Nd data and single stage differentiation ages for samples from the North Atlantic Craton and the Superior Province. a) Plot showing all data from the SOISB, Saglek Block, Superior Province and the Ukalig Supracrustal Belt, (O'Neil et al., 2008; Caro et al., 2017; Morino et al., 2018; Saji et al., 2018). b) Plot excluding samples that are considered as being altered (still shown as white circles). c) Same datasets as in a) but using weighted means. Data with resolvable negative μ^{142} Nd values at ϵ^{143} Nd_(i) \geq +2 are excluded here since these data clearly indicate open system behavior of the 147Sm-143Nd system or multi-stage evolution. We only included mantle-derived rocks that fall in an age range of 3.78±0.03 Ga. For samples by Saji et al., (2018) the sample locations were re-examined and we included only the samples that belong to the ~3.8 Ga old assemblages from the southern terrane. Errors displayed for $\mu^{142} \text{Nd}$ are the same as in Figs. 3 and 6.



accuracy since this age does not even overlap within error with the inferred age that comprises all data (Fig. 2.5a-b). High MSWDs from 3.3 to 19 further illustrate scatter far beyond analytical uncertainties. When only considering mean values for different localities as suggested earlier (Caro et al., 2017; Morino et al., 2017; Saji et al., 2018), the inferred model age amounts to $4.417 \pm ^{0.045}_{0.060}$ Ga (Fig. 2.5c). Using means for different sample localities seems to provide the best way to calculate coupled ^{142,143}Nd differentiation ages as the errors of the averaged $\epsilon^{143}Nd_{(i)}$ values for different localities will increase with increasing ϵ^{143} Nd_(i) heterogeneity. Consequently, a higher scatter in ϵ^{143} Nd_(i) values will cause a higher error for the inferred means that will be weighted less when calculating error propagated differentiation model ages. We conclude that the calculation of accurate and precise ¹⁴²Nd-¹⁴³Nd differentiation model ages is not limited by the precision of 142 Nd/ 144 Nd analysis but is mainly controlled by ϵ^{143} Nd_(i) values that might have been modified by multiple differentiation events or post-magmatic alteration. For this reason, the $4.417^{+0.045}_{-0.060}$ Ga differentiation age seems the most plausible since it offers the best possibility to account for modified $\epsilon^{143}Nd_{(i)}$ values. This age is also in good agreement with terrestrial differentiation age estimations that were inferred from independent isotope approaches (Wilde et al., 2001; Allègre et al., 2008; Mukhopadhyay, 2012).

2.6.3.2. Significance of long-lived Hf and Nd isotope data

Eoarchean rocks from the Isua area are known to exhibit decoupled $\varepsilon Hf_{(i)}$ - $\varepsilon^{143}Nd_{(i)}$ values ratios, showing predominantly elevated $\varepsilon Nd_{(i)}$ values at near-chondritic $\varepsilon Hf_{(i)}$ values. For a long time, it has been argued whether or not this decoupling (especially the Isua region) is a pristine magmatic feature or induced during late-stage metamorphism (Bennett et al., 1993; Moorbath et al., 1997; Hoffmann et al., 2010; Hoffmann et al., 2011b; Rizo et al., 2011; Hoffmann et al., 2012; Hoffmann et al., 2014; Rizo et al., 2016; van de Löcht et al., 2020).

Our high precision ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd isotope can cast new light on this debate. Previous studies invoked three scenarios to explain the observed Hf Nd isotope decoupling: (I) Perovskite fractionation in a deep magma ocean; (II) fluid-controlled alteration in a subduction-zone-like setting or late-stage metamorphism or (III) slab melt addition in a subduction setting (Hoffmann et al., 2011b; van de Löcht et al., 2020). If the variations and the decoupling ϵ Hf_(i) and ϵ^{143} Nd_(i) values is attributed to fractionation in an early magma ocean, this should also produce variable μ^{142} Nd anomalies that correlate with ϵ Hf_(i) and ϵ^{143} Nd_(i) values. In contrast, slab melt addition within a subduction zone setting would produce variable scatter in μ^{142} Nd. Depending on the age of the extracted slab melt precursor rocks, ¹⁴⁶Sm might have become functionally extinct by that time. In contrast, any late-stage metamorphism (¹⁴⁶Sm is completely extinct), will affect ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd but leave no imprint on ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd compositions.

It has been experimentally shown by Corgne et al., (2005) that extensive crystallization of perovskite would severely fractionate high field strength elements (HFSE) from REE. The fractionation strongly depends on the proportions of Ca and Mg perovskite since Ca perovskite has a $D_{Lu}/D_{Hf} > 1$ whereas Mg perovskite has a $D_{Lu}/D_{Hf} < 1$. Taking this into

consideration, previous studies (Caro et al., 2005; Hoffmann et al., 2011b; Rizo et al., 2011) have postulated a perovskite-related origin of the Isua source which can account their decoupling of Hf and Nd isotopes. We have remodelled trace element as well as Hf-Nd isotope data in Ca-Mg perovskite cumulates the coherent partition coefficients of (Corgne et al., 2005) and a recently proposed range Ca-Mg perovskite proportions for the terrestrial magma ocean (2% to 10% Ca-perovskite) (Caro et al., 2005; Hoffmann et al., 2011b; Rizo et al., 2011). We assumed different degrees of equilibrium crystallization (5 to 50%) and a primitive mantle composition (Palme and O'Neill, 2013) with previously reported pervoskite partition coefficients (Corgne et al., 2005) (see Appendix A2 for partition coefficients, trace elements and isotope results). In contrast to previous studies, our modelling approach reveals that the perovskite model has three major problems.

(1) The proportions of Ca- and Mg-perovskite used in previous models (Caro et al., 2005; Hoffmann et al., 2011b; Rizo et al., 2011) would severely fractionate Th-Ti and HFSE from the REE (such as Hf/Sm or Th/La; see also Extended Data Fig. 2.4 and 2.5). The ubiquitous negative Nb-Ta anomalies in Isua rocks are inconsistent with a perovskite cumulate origin that would produce no or slightly positive Nb-Ta anomalies. Other HFSE-related geochemical features (e.g. Zr-Hf anomalies) further strongly argue against a perovskite involvement in the petrogenesis of Isua rocks since positive Zr-Hf anomalies should be directly linked to negative ϵ Hf_(i) values (and vice versa), a feature that is not observed in Isua rocks (Extended Data Fig. 2.4a).

(2) Segregating pervoskite cumulates would have very uniform Nb/Ta ratios of ~10, and Zr/Hf ratios of 33 to 34 fairly independent of Ca and Mg pervoskite proportions or crystallization grades. However, there are only two samples that display Nb/Ta ratios of ~11, whereas all other samples have higher and variable Nb/Ta ratios that often reach values >14 (Hoffmann et al., 2010; Tusch et al., 2019; van de Löcht et al., 2020). Concurrently, many ISB rocks have significantly lower Zr/Hf ratios than 33 with ratios as low as 28, in good agreement with those of modern day MORBs (Münker et al., 2003). The prevalence of ISB rocks with Zr/Hf ratios lower than the modelled perovskite source implies that a perovskite cumulate source is not depleted enough. In fact, this issue exists for many other geochemical parameters, such as Th/La, Hf/Sm or Th/Nb, that are all lower in mantlederived rocks from the Isua region than the modeled perovskite cumulate. Since all of the aforementioned element ratios increase during partial melting or fractional crystallization, perovskite cumulate sources cannot explain samples with lower Th/La, Hf/Sm, La/Sm or Th/Nb ratios (Extended Data Fig. 2.4).

(3) Most importantly, if the observed variable $\epsilon^{143}Nd_{(i)}$ values present in ~3.72 and ~3.8 Ga rocks were explained in a single stage perovskite model with varying Ca-perovskite proportions, samples with higher $\epsilon^{143}Nd_{(i)}$ would also be expected to have the highest $\mu^{142}Nd$ values, an observation that is not matched here by the data. Instead, mantle-derived rocks of the same age show a decoupling of $\mu^{142}Nd$ and $\epsilon^{143}Nd_{(i)}$ values, with $\mu^{142}Nd$ values remaining constant at variable $\epsilon^{143}Nd_{(i)}$ values (Figs. 2.5 and 2.6).

Tapping the complementary enriched reservoir (cf. Puchtel et al., 2016) that has formed after perovskite fractionation also does not fit the trace element and isotope constraints. Such a reservoir would have subchondritic Sm/Nd ratios, which should have produced

negative μ^{142} Nd and ϵ^{143} Nd_(i) values over time, a feature that is not observed (Bennett et al., 1993; Moorbath et al., 1997; Boyet and Carlson, 2005; Caro et al., 2006; Hoffmann et al., 2010; Hoffmann et al., 2011b; Rizo et al., 2011; Hoffmann et al., 2012; Rizo et al., 2012; Hoffmann et al., 2014; Rizo et al., 2016; van de Löcht et al., 2020). Furthermore, due to the high partition coefficients for Th within Ca-Pv (D_{Th} = 8 to 18) (Corgne et al., 2005), Th will be strongly sequestered into the Pv-cumulates, leaving behind a Th-depleted complementary reservoir, also contradicting trace element observations from the ~3.8 to ~3.7 Ga mantle-derived rocks (Polat et al., 2002; Polat and Hofmann, 2003; Hoffmann et al., 2010; Hoffmann et al., 2011b; Tusch et al., 2019; van de Löcht et al., 2020). Considering the trace element and isotope constraints discussed above, we therefore conclude that a perovskite-related origin for the geochemical patterns in Eoarchean rocks from Isua is unlikely.

In addition to the decoupling of long-lived Hf and Nd isotopes, we also observe a decoupling of ϵ^{143} Nd_(i) and μ^{142} Nd values. While μ^{142} Nd values are uniform in the ~3.7 and ~3.8 Ga terrane, $\epsilon^{143}Nd_{(i)}$ values are strongly divers. Instead of a magma ocean model, the decoupling of ^{142,143}Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd and ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf compositions can be rather ascribed to two other processes. Either the mantle source was added an enriched component that had a different Nd isotope composition than the Isua source or, alternatively, the decoupling of μ^{142} Nd and ϵ^{143} Nd_(i) values represents post-magmatic alteration (\leq 3.72 Ga) of the ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd systematics that no longer affected the extinct ¹⁴⁶Sm-¹⁴²Nd systematics. Although post-magmatic alteration would cause heterogeneous $\epsilon^{143}Nd_{(i)}$ values at homogenous μ^{142} Nd values which is similar to our observations, the preservation of whole rock isochrons that are in good agreement with the accepted ages rather argues against wide open system behaviour of the ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd system (Hoffmann et al., 2010; Hoffmann et al., 2011b). The same decoupling of ϵ^{143} Nd_(i) and μ^{142} Nd values is also expected when the Isua source is added an enriched component with decreased $\epsilon^{143}Nd_{(i)}$ values but identical $\mu^{142}Nd$ values. This can be achieved when the enriched component was differentiated rather late (after 4.0 Ga), when ¹⁴⁶Sm went functionally extinct. Given that many samples have rather too low ϵ^{143} Nd_(i) (with respect to their elevated μ^{142} Nd values) and show strongly enriched trace element patterns (Polat et al., 2002; Polat and Hofmann, 2003; Hoffmann et al., 2010; Hoffmann et al., 2011b; van de Löcht et al., 2018; Tusch et al., 2019), the admixture of an enriched component (possibly felsic slab melts, or TTG assimilation) seems reasonable, (Polat et al., 2002; Hoffmann et al., 2010; Hoffmann et al., 2011b). We therefore argue that the trace element and Hf-Nd isotope systematics for the northern and southern terrane are rather explained by a complex subduction-like setting for the ISB, involving a depleted Isua mantle source that was overprinted by a more enriched component (likely adakitic melts) (Polat et al., 2002; Hoffmann et al., 2010; Hoffmann et al., 2011b; van de Löcht et al., 2020).

Considering our favored ^{142,143}Nd model age of ~4.42 Ga (Fig. 2.5c) and a μ^{142} Nd excess of ~+13 ppm in ~3.8 Ga rocks, ¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd ratios ≥0.22 are required to reproduce the isotope compositions of the Isua mantle source. At ~3.7 to ~3.8 Ga, this is equivalent to an ϵ^{143} Nd of ≥+1.8, meaning that any ϵ^{143} Nd significantly lower than this value rather reflects the increasing influence of an enriched component. This is further supported by the composition of some ISB samples that have μ^{142} Nd- ϵ^{143} Nd_(i) values that plot in the

forbidden range of the ¹⁴²Nd-¹⁴³Nd isochron (i.e. require differentiation ages >4.568Ga) (Fig. 2.5a; sample 10-34 from this study and sample PB-3 from (Saji et al., 2018) (not shown). Our findings are in line with the involvement of an enriched component mixed into the Isua mantle source that is likely also responsible for earlier decoupled Hf-Nd isotopes (Hoffmann et al., 2010; Hoffmann et al., 2011b; Rizo et al., 2012).

2.6.3.3. Neodymium isotope evolution of the Isua mantle source through

time

Anomalous ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd isotope compositions for Eoarchean rocks from SW-Greenland have been reported by several studies (e.g., Caro et al., 2003; Boyet and Carlson, 2006; Caro et al., 2006; Bennett et al., 2007; Rizo et al., 2011; Rizo et al., 2012; Rizo et al., 2016; Morino et al., 2017; Saji et al., 2018). However, the origin of the Nd isotope signature in the mantle and its homogenization by the Archean mantle is still poorly understood. Our study can provide new constraints on the timescales of mantle dynamics.

It is known from several studies that during the Archean, ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd anomalies have started to disappear, reflecting convective mantle homogenization (e.g., Boyet and Carlson, 2006; Caro et al., 2006; Bennett et al., 2007). Previous studies regarded the diminishing of ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd anomalies to reflect one global scale process (Rizo et al., 2012; Saji et al., 2018; Schneider et al., 2018). Therefore, such mantle homogenization timescales might be too generalized, as every craton might behave differently. For example, the ~3.4 Ga Ameralik dikes show clearly resolvable μ^{142} Nd excesses, whereas even older 3.5 Ga rocks from the Pilbara Craton already show modern day like μ^{142} Nd values (Archer et al., 2019; Murphy et al., 2021). This either implies that the ~4.42 Ga differentiation signature is only of local significance, or, alternatively, mantle refertilization processes may have operated heterogeneously and locally different. Therefore, we avoid a comparison at a global scale and focused on rocks from the IGC and associated greenstone belts (Fig. 2.6).

To better understand the ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd isotope mantle evolution over time, we have only considered mantle-derived metavolcanic rocks. Among our analyzed Isua samples, there are two peridotite samples from the ~3.8 Ga terrane of which one (10-34) is highly metasomatized whereas the other peridotite (10-27) belongs to the group of the least metasomatized peridotites (van de Löcht et al., 2020). As shown in Figure 2.2a, both ~3.8 Ga samples display identical μ^{142} Nd values. Considering a subduction-like setting as proposed for the ~3.8 to ~3.7 Ga Isua rocks (Polat et al., 2002; Polat and Hofmann, 2003; Hoffmann et al., 2010; Hoffmann et al., 2011b; Hoffmann et al., 2012; van de Löcht et al., 2020) implies that the refertilizing contaminant and the depleted Isua source must have had μ^{142} Nd compositions similar to that of the ambient Isua mantle. Otherwise, we would expect a higher diversity of μ^{142} Nd values, depending on the influx of subducted material. We conclude that, within analytical precision, these rocks still display the μ^{142} Nd composition of the uncontaminated mantle, despite their incorporated enriched component. Therefore, although contaminated, these rocks can still be used to place new constraints on mantle homogenization processes. The ~3.4 Ga Ameralik dike samples analyzed here have slightly depleted LREE compositions (La/Sm = 1.34 to 1.46) and reveal

	PRIMA	SCHEM	SDEM	
¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.1960	0.2025 ^[1]	0.2045	
Adjusted time of Isua differentiation ^[2]	4.360	4.42	4.42	
$\epsilon^{143} Nd_{(i)}$ BSE at time of differentiation $^{[3]}$	0.0	+0.1	+0.2	
$\mu^{142} Nd$ BSE at time of differentiation $^{[3]}$	0.0	-2.5	-4.8	
μ^{142} Nd Isua source at 3.8 Ga	+13	+13	+13	
Adopted ¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd _{source} ^[3]	0.2310	0.2235	0.227	
$\epsilon^{143}Nd_{(3.8)}$ adjusted Isua source	+2.5	+2.3	+2.6	

Table 2.1: Modelling parameters used to calculate the adjusted Isua mantle source composition for the PRIMA, SCHEM, and SDEM replenishment model.

^[1]SCHEM (Caro and Bourdon, 2010) was recalculated assuming a 10 ppm difference between BSE and the most terrestriallike chondrites in contrast to the originally assumed ~20 ppm difference (see also **Chapter III** for further discussion), resulting in lower ¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd ratios than previously proposed.

^[2]The differentiation age used here is the one calculated in this study (Fig. 2.5c). A slightly younger differentiation age of 4.36 Ga for the PRIMA-based refertilization model was assumed that still lies within our proposed uncertainties for the differentiation event. If the calculated 4.42 Ga differentiation age was assumed instead, the Isua source at 3.8 Ga would require lower Sm/Nd ratios to account for the +13 ppm μ^{142} Nd excess. This would also create lower ϵ^{143} Nd_(i) values for the 3.8 Ga Isua source. After replenishing the Isua source with PRIMA material, the 3.4 Ga replenished Isua source would become too unradiogenic to account for a source for the Ameralik dikes. This issue was overcome by using a slightly lower differentiation age of 4.36 Ga.

^[3]In a non-chondritic Earth model, ϵ^{143} Nd values of BSE will become increasingly positive over time, whereas μ^{142} Nd will evolve from an initial μ^{142} Nd deficit of -10 ppm towards a present day μ^{142} Nd = 0 (i.e., ~enstatite chondritic composition, see **Chapter III** for a more detailed discussion). Therefore, a non-chondritic BSE still had a deficit in its μ^{142} Nd composition that also needs to be considered here when calculating ¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd_{source} ratios.

depleted Th/La_{PM} ratios (0.654 to 0.865) (Tusch et al., 2019). We therefore conclude that they were not affected by an enriched component and regard them as mantle-derived rocks (see also Saji et al., 2018 who came to an identical conclusion).

All Mesoarchean to Proterozoic samples analyzed here also show elevated μ^{142} Nd compositions. These samples have enriched trace element characteristics (Th/La = 1.01 to 1.58; La/Sm = 1.78 to 3.15) and fairly unradiogenic ϵ^{143} Nd_(i) values (+0.2 to +2.4). Therefore, it has been concluded that they have formed in geological settings where an older, enriched component was involved (Szilas et al., 2015a; Szilas et al., 2016). Considering that the decrease of μ^{142} Nd values between the oldest rocks of the IGC at ~3.8 Ga to the ~3.4 Ga Ameralik dikes (Nutman et al., 2004; Rizo et al., 2012) occurred rather rapid (Fig. 2.6), we would not expect resolvable μ^{142} Nd anomalies in these Mesoarchean to Phanerozoic rocks. In some of these Mesoarchean rocks, Szilas et al., (2015) have observed striking similarities of ϵ^{143} Nd_(3.8Ga) and ϵ^{143} Nd_(3.8Ga) with those reported for Isua boninites (Hoffmann et al., 2010). Therefore, it is rather likely that reworking of older crustal fragments during subduction reintroduced an older component (i.e. IGC crust) with elevated μ^{142} Nd values into the mantle. However, this process counteracts the diminishing of anomalous ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd composition by mantle refertilization processes. Therefore, these rocks are not considered here to unravel mantle homogenization processes.

To explain the rapid decrease in ¹⁴²Nd excess from ~3.8 Ga to ~3.4 Ga mantle-derived rocks, we have conducted coupled ^{142,143}Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd isotope and trace element modelling (Table 2.1, Figs. 2.6 and 2.7). For ¹⁴⁶Sm-¹⁴²Nd isotope modelling, we have assumed a solar system initial ¹⁴⁶Sm/¹⁴⁴Sm ratio of 0.00828 and used a ¹⁴⁶Sm half-life of 103 Ma (Marks et al., 2014). Since the ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd compositions of ~3.8 to ~3.4 Ga Isua mantle-derived rocks seem to



Fig. 2.6: Coupled ^{142,143}Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd evolution of the different mantle domains covered in this study over time. Shown is the evolution of the depleted Isua mantle source by assuming it was replenished with different bulk Earth compositions. In a) μ^{142} Nd and b) ϵ^{143} Nd_(i) values are explained by replenishing the Isua source with primitive mantle material (PRIMA). In c) μ^{142} Nd and d) ϵ^{143} Nd_(i) values are explained by replenishing the Isua source with superchondritic Earth Material (SCHEM) (Caro and Bourdon, 2010), whereas in e) μ^{142} Nd and f) ϵ^{143} Nd_(i) values are explained by admixing a slightly depleted Earth-Moon composition (SDEM) (**Chapter III**). Isotope ompositions of the different reservoirs over time are

given in the Appendix A2. For our modelling approach, the Isua mantle was replenished with 17% primitive mantle (PRIMA) 30% of SCHEM and 26% SDEM over 100 Ma increments, all assumed to have a bulk Earth ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd composition ($\mu^{142}Nd = 0$) at 3.8 Ga. In the SCHEM model, we assumed a more recently determined ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd difference between Earth and enstatite chondrites of -10 ppm (Boyet et al., 2018) and based on that we re-determined the corresponding ¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd ratio of SCHEM to be 0.2025 (see also **Chapter III**). In both superchondritic Earth models, a 2-stage evolution is assumed. The first differentiation lead to a superchondritic BSE that is responsible for the evolution of BSE from $\mu^{142}Nd = -10$ towards $\mu^{142}Nd = 0$. The second differentiation at 4.417 Ga, as constrained here (Fig. 2.5c), is responsible for the elevated $\mu^{142}Nd$ compositions found in Isua rocks. However, at 4.417 Ga the ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd composition of BSE is still decreased by ~2.5 ppm (SCHEM) or 4.8 (SDEM) due to incomplete decay of ¹⁴⁶Sm. At the same time, the recalculated ¹⁴³Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd composition will have evolved towards $\epsilon^{143}Nd = +0.12$ (SCHEM) or +0.15 (SDEM). Both of these issues are compensated by using a ~3% (SCHEM) or 4% (SDEM) higher ¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd ratio for the Isua source (see also Table 2.1). For $\mu^{142}Nd$, errors are the same as in Fig. 3 and for $\epsilon^{143}Nd_{(i)}$, errors are the propagated errors including the errors on parent/daughter ratios, crystallization age and our external reproducibility of ±0.4 ϵ -units on ¹⁴³Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd isotope ratios.

converge towards μ^{142} Nd = 0, we assumed that the replenishing component must also had a μ^{142} Nd = 0. Therefore, it seems unlikely that the admixture of sediments within an island arc setting was the driving force for decreasing μ^{142} Nd values, since ~3.7 to ~3.8 Ga Isua sediments were shown to have identical ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd compositions as mantle derived rocks (Caro et al., 2003). Replenishing the Isua source with enriched material is also difficult, since it would also result in decreased ϵ^{143} Nd values at 3.4 Ga, irreconcilable with the elevated ϵ^{143} Nd_(i) values observed in the Ameralik dikes. Therefore, it seems more likely that bulk Earth material with μ^{142} Nd near 0 progressively diluted the depleted Isua mantle source. This implies that this material cannot have participated in the previous ~4.42 Ga differentiation event, suggesting that the previous differentiation event was not of

global character (Bennett et al., 2007). With respect to the ongoing debate whether Earth is chondritic or not (Boyet and Carlson, 2006; O'Neill and Palme, 2008; Caro and Bourdon, 2010; Burkhardt et al., 2016; Boyet et al., 2018), we have generated three individual models, with different assumptions for the accessible bulk Earth composition. They include a primitive mantle (PRIMA) (Palme and O'Neill, 2013), a SCHEM composition (Caro and Bourdon, 2010) and a slightly depleted Earth Moon (SDEM) composition (**Chapter III**). Since the SDEM and SCHEM models start with a chondritic, but subterrestrial ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd composition ($\mu^{142}Nd = -10$) but superchondritic ¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd ratios, they will evolve towards a $\mu^{142}Nd = 0$ over time. As ¹⁴⁶Sm was functionally extinct by 3.8 Ga, all three reservoirs are assumed to have a $\mu^{142}Nd = 0$ (Table 2.1, Figs. 2.6c-f).

In our model, we have refertilized the depleted Isua source by admixing 17% PRIMA, 30% SCHEM or 26% SDEM material to the Isua source in incremental steps every 100 Ma (Fig. 2.6-2.8). For our trace element model, we have used peridotite 10-22 to represent the primordial depleted Isua mantle since that sample belongs to a group of peridotites that have inherited the least amounts of metasomatizing fluids and have been interpreted to be the best representatives of the Isua mantle source (van de Löcht et al., 2020). The admixture of the three less depleted materials will smoothen incompatible trace element patterns by obliterating Ti, Zr-Hf and Nb-Ta anomalies (Fig. 2.7). At ~3.4 Ga the mantle beneath the Isua region has achieved a slightly depleted incompatible trace element composition without significant anomalies, which is in good agreement with the predicted



Fig. 2.7: Evolution of trace element compositions for the same model as in Fig. 6. Shown is the trace element composition of the homogenized mantle source at 3.4 Ga after being replenished for 400 Ma with BSE material (i.e. SDEM or PRIMA). At 3.4 Ga, the homogenized mantle source is flat without having any Zr-Hf or Nb-Ta anomalies. The modelled trace element pattern of our homogenized mantle source therefore can well explain the flat trace element patterns of contemporaneous 3.4 Ga Ameralik dykes (shown for comparison). For the Isua mantle source, the composition of a mantle peridotite type 1 (sample 10-22) was assumed to be representative of the mantle beneath the Isua region at 3.8 Ga (van de Löcht et al., 2020). Due to a lack of coherent trace element composition constraints for SCHEM, trace elements were only modelled for PRIMA and SDEM. Trace element data for the Ameralik dikes is taken from Tusch et al., (2019). Trace element compositions are listed in Appendix A2.

one for the Ameralik dikes (Figs. 2.6b, 2.6f and 2.7). At the same time, our replenishing model will cause a decrease of ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd anomalies and buffer ε^{143} Nd from becoming too radiogenic at 3.4 Ga (Fig. 2.6). The admixture of depleted material (SCHEM or SDEM) both create similar Nd isotope evolutions (Caro and Bourdon, 2010, **Chapter III**). While μ^{142} Nd values converge towards μ^{142} Nd = 0, ε^{143} Nd values first decrease over a short period of ~300 Ma and subsequently evolve towards slightly elevated ε^{143} Nd_(i) values. In the PRIMA model, the Isua mantle evolves towards ε^{143} Nd and μ^{142} Nd values that both converge at 0 (Figs. 2.6a and 2.6b). All three models can well explain the observed ε^{143} Nd and μ^{142} Nd



Fig. 2.8: Schematic model illustration the homogenization of ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd anomalies in the Isua mantle region. A differentiation event at ~4.42 Ga created a depleted reservoir that evolved towards μ^{142} Nd values of +13 at 3.8 Ga. This depleted mantle beneath the Isua region was progressively diluted by admixing primordial mantle material that was not involved in this previous differentiation event.

values over time and the admixture of SDEM or PRIMA can also explain the observed trace element characteristics (SCHEM could not be calculated as there are no trace element constraints). Although all models yield near-identical results at ~3.4 Ga, there is one striking difference between the primitive and the two superchondritic models. The two superchondritic models will evolve towards elevated ϵ^{143} Nd values over time whereas ϵ^{143} Nd values in the PRIMA model will converge towards 0. At ~3.3 to 3.2 Ga the chondritic and the superchondritic model will have developed to clearly resolvable ϵ^{143} Nd values. Since there are Ameralik dikes as young as 3.265 Ga (Nutman et al., 2004), these rocks would be able to provide clear evidence for one model or the other.

2.7. Conclusions

We have developed a new analytical protocol to measure mass-independent isotope composition of Nd at high precision, including radiogenic ¹⁴²Nd and ¹⁴³Nd. This method was verified by confirming previous ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd results for samples from the well-characterized Isua region and measuring various mixtures of TTG with known ¹⁴²Nd excesses and the BHVO-2 reference material. Multiple analysis of 22 La Palma basalt (LP-1) in house standards yield an intermediate precision of ±1.4 ppm, demonstrating that we are able to resolve anomalies at the lower ppm level. We incorporated previous literature data for 3.8 Ga old rocks from Isua into our new dataset to infer an ^{142,143}Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd differentiation model age of 4.417 $\pm_{0.060}^{0.045}$ Ga, in excellent agreement with previous estimates. In addition to previous results, our data reveal a resolvably different distribution of ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd compositions in ~3.72 Ga and ~3.8 Ga rocks. While ~3.8 Ga (ultra-) mafic rocks have μ^{142} Nd values of 13.0±1.1, ~3.72 Ga (ultra-) mafic rocks show slightly, but resolvably lower μ^{142} Nd values of 9.8±1.0. Analysis of the ~3.4 Ga Ameralik dikes show even lower μ^{142} Nd values with an average of 3.8±1.1. With respect to the ongoing debate whether Earth is chondritic or not, our observations are best explained by the progressive admixture of slightly depleted or primitive material bulk Earth material with a non-anomalous ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd composition at 3.8 Ga to the Isua source. This implies that not the whole mantle participated in the ancient differentiation event recorded in Isua rocks. In addition to the previously described ϵ^{143} Nd- ϵ Hf decoupling, ISB rocks are also characterized by a decoupling of ^{142,143}Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd compositions by having homogeneous μ^{142} Nd values but diverse ϵ^{143} Nd_(i) values. This feature is best explained by supply of material with similar ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd but different ¹⁴³Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd systematics via recycling processes that may be similar to modern subduction environments.



2.8. Extended Figures and Tables

Extended Data Fig. 2.1: Geological map of the Nuuk region, highlighting our studied areas. Shown are the sample locations for samples from the Ameralik Fjord region and the Ivisaartoq Supracrustal Belt. The map is modified after Szilas et al., (2015b) and based on work by the Geological Survey of Denmark and Greenland.

Extended Data Table 2.1:

Stage	Reagent	Volumes [ml]		
I Separation of HFSE and matrix				
Column I (15 ml BioRad AG 50 W-X-8)				
Preconditioning	1 M HCl - 0.3% H ₂ O ₂	2×20		
Load, HFSE & Ti	1 M HCl - 0.3% H ₂ O ₂	20		
Elute HFSE & Ti	1 M HCl - 0.3% H ₂ O ₂	15		
Elute major element matrix	1.8 M HCl	80		
Collect REE, Sr and Ba	6 M HCl	100		
II Separation of LREE from remaining matrix and HREE Column II (6 ml BioRad AG 50 W-X-8)				
Preconditioning Load, elute remaining matrix and	2.5 M HCl	2×10		
HREE	2.5 M HCl	5		
Elute remaining matrix and HREE	2.5 M HCl	27		
Collect LREE and Ba ^a	6 M HCl	35		
III Separation of REE from Ce Column III (0.5 ml Ln Spec [®] resin)				
Preconditioning	10 M HNO3 10 M HNO3 - 30 mM	4		
Preconditioning	KBrO ₃ 10 M HNO ₃ - 30 mM	6		
Load, elute LREE, Ba and K	KBrO ₃ 10 M HNO ₃ - 30 mM	0.5		
Elute LREE, Ba and K ^a	KBrO ₃	7.5		
Elute Ce	10 M HNO ₃	2		
Elute Ce	H ₂ O	2		
Elute Ce	6 M HCl - 1% H ₂ O ₂	6		
IV Separation of LREE and Ba from K Column II (6 ml BioRad AG 50 W-X-8)				
Preconditioning	2.5 M HCl	2×10		
Load, elute K	2.5 M HCl	5		
Elute K	2.5 M HCl	27		
Collect LREE and Ba ^a	6 M HCl	35		
V Separation of Nd from other LREE and Ba Column IV (6 ml 50um I n Spec® regin and 0.4 ml AG ® 1-X8 on top)				
Preconditioning	0.25 calibrated HCl	2×10		
Load	0.25 calibrated HCl	0.5		
Elute Ba, La, residual Ce and Pr ^b	0.25 calibrated HCl	25		
Collect Nd ^a	0.25 calibrated HCl	12		

^aDry down two times with $80\mu l$ 14 M HNO₃ + 40 μl 30 % H₂O₂ ^bFor Nd cuts, the last 3-5 ml were collected in 1ml steps seperately and recombined to ensure best possible Pr-Nd separation with maximum Nd yields

Elution scheme for purifying Nd from rock samples. Modified after Pin and Zalduegui, (1997), Schnabel et al., (2017) and Tusch et al., (2019).



Extended Data Fig. 2.2: Schematic REE elution (separation step V) on Ln[®] Spec resin. Protocol is modified after Pin and Zalduegui, (1997).



Extended Data Fig. 2.3: Intermediate precision of 22 multiple measurements for our in-house reference material LP-1, using a) 148 Nd/ 144 Nd (8/4) or b) 146 Nd/ 144 Nd (6/4) for mass bias correction. The smaller dark grey bars and the larger light grey bars refer to the mean 95% CI and 2 r.s.d. for all session mean values, respectively. Our intermediate precision of ± 1.4 ppm on 142 Nd/ 144 Nd (8/4) analysis is considered as minimum error.


Extended Data Fig. 2.4: Evaluation whether trace element and isotope characteristics of ~3.8 to ~3.4 Ga Isua rocks can be explained by tapping perovskite cumulates with different degrees of crystallization and variable Ca-Mg perovskite proportions. a) Isua rocks show positive covariations between ϵ Hf_(i) and Hf/Sm, whereas perovskite cumulates would create inverse correlations. b) Th/La vs. La/Sm, c) Th/Nb vs. Hf/Sm and d) Th/La vs. Hf/Sm reveal that some Isua samples are more depleted (i.e., having lower Th/La, Hf/Sm or Th/Nb ratios) than the modelled perovskite cumulates. Since partial melting increases these ratios, perovskite cumulates are too enriched to be a viable source. Notably, we have modelled Ca-Mg perovskite proportions as previously postulated for the Isua region (Caro et al., 2005; Hoffmann et al., 2011b; Rizo et al., 2011) and assuming a wide range of crystallization degrees (5% to 50%). For ϵ Hf_(i), errors shown are the propagated errors including the errors on parent/daughter ratios, crystallization age and our external reproducibility of ±0.4 ϵ -units on ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf isotope ratios. See Appendix A2 for model parameters. Additional data from previous studies (Polat et al., 2002; Polat and Hofmann, 2003; Hoffmann et al., 2010; Hoffmann et al., 2011b; van de Löcht et al., 2018; Tusch et al., 2019; van de Löcht et al., 2020).



Extended Data Fig. 2.5: Comparison of observed and modelled trace element pattern, assuming a perovskite-related cumulate origin. Perovskite cumulates would create strong fractionations between REE and HFSE. Modelling parameters are as in Extended Data Fig. 2.4 but with an emphasis on trace element characteristics. For the different Ca/Mg-perovskite ratios, two lines are always shown, one assuming 5% and the other assuming 50% Pv equilibrium crystallization. See Appendix A2 for detailed model parameters. Shaded trace element data are from previous studies (Polat et al., 2002; Polat and Hofmann, 2003; Hoffmann et al., 2010; Hoffmann et al., 2011b; van de Löcht et al., 2018; Tusch et al., 2019).

Chapter III

3. Cerium-Nd isotope evidence for an incompatible element depleted Moon

3.1. Abstract

The Moon is a key example of a planetary body that originated from a giant impact collisional event. By better understanding its bulk composition, we can gain critical constraints on the building blocks from which the Earth-Moon system had formed. Combined measurements of long-lived ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd and short-lived ¹⁴⁶Sm-¹⁴²Nd isotope compositions of Earth and Moon have lead to controversial interpretations in the past and it remains open, whether the Moon is similar to primitive chondrites in its refractory lithophile element composition or not. We investigated coupled ¹³⁸La-¹³⁸Ce and ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd isotope and trace element compositions across a wide range of lunar rock types to provide an independent assessment of the bulk Moon composition. Lunar rocks define a tight array in ¹³⁸Ce-¹⁴³Nd space, intersecting initial ɛNd=0 at an initial ɛCe of -0.26±0.04, significantly lower than the currently accepted chondritic ¹³⁸Ce reference value (Israel et al., 2019; Willig and Stracke, 2019). Combined modeling of ¹³⁸Ce-¹⁴³Nd-¹⁷⁶Hf isotope and trace element behavior during lunar magma ocean (LMO) crystallization (Snyder et al., 1992) can now confirm that the bulk silicate Moon must be slightly depleted in its highly incompatible trace element inventory. Our calculated composition of the silicate Moon evolves towards ϵ Ce=-0.25 and ϵ Nd=+1.4 at 3.3 Ga, the approximate age of most lunar samples investigated here. This proposed lunar composition is in perfect agreement with the intersection of the lunar array with trends defined by near-contemporaneous terrestrial rocks from the Archean Pilbara and the Kaapvaal Cratons. We take this as evidence that accessible silicate Earth and the Moon may share a common reservoir slightly depleted in highly incompatible trace elements, named here Slightly Depleted Earth-Moon reservoir (SDEM). The SDEM reservoir proposed here is in line with previous models claiming a depleted composition of the accessible silicate Earth (Caro and Bourdon, 2010), but the degree of depletion is significantly smaller than previously proposed.

3.2. Introduction

Unlike the larger terrestrial planets, the Moon formed from the debris of a giant impact event that ejected silicate material from both, a Mars-sized impactor (Canup, 2004) and

proto-Earth into space (Pahlevan and Stevenson, 2007; Stewart et al., 2018). Radiogenic isotope studies can place firm constraints on the origin of the Moon and its building blocks. Amongst these, in particular the two Sm-Nd isotope systems (long-lived ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd and short-lived ¹⁴⁶Sm-¹⁴²Nd) are of special interest. Distinct isotopic differences between the Earth-Moon system and chondrites have been found for the short-lived ¹⁴⁶Sm-¹⁴²Nd isotope system (Boyet and Carlson, 2007; Brandon et al., 2009a; Caro and Bourdon, 2010; Mcleod et al., 2014; Boyet et al., 2018; Morino et al., 2018; Borg et al., 2019), with modern terrestrial rock displaying a ca. +10 to +30 ppm ¹⁴²Nd excess relative to various chondrite classes (Boyet et al., 2018). These observations suggest that the bulk Moon and also the Earth may have evolved with non-chondritic Sm/Nd ratios (Caro et al., 2008; Caro and Bourdon, 2010). Alternatively, Earth and Moon may have chondritic Sm/Nd ratios and the different ¹⁴²Nd abundances may not reflect radiogenic ingrowth, but rather primordial nucleosynthetic heterogeneities inherited from different building blocks that carried variable s-process signatures (Bouvier and Boyet, 2016; Burkhardt et al., 2016; Boyet et al., 2018). Evidence for a chondritic Moon has further been supported by combined isotope systematics of long-lived ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd and ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁷⁶Hf in lunar rocks (Sprung et al., 2013).

In order to finally unravel whether the Moon is chondritic or not, we investigated combined patterns of the long-lived ¹³⁸La-¹³⁸Ce (λ =2.37×10⁻¹² a⁻¹) and ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd isotope systems in a comprehensive suite of lunar rocks. Both isotope systems yield strong inverse correlations in modern mantle-derived (Israel et al., 2019) and Archean rocks (Hasenstab et al., 2021; Tusch et al., 2021a), reflecting the opposite incompatibilities of their respective parent-daughter element pairs. This makes combined ¹³⁸Ce-¹⁴³Nd isotope systematics an ideal tool for investigating the incompatible trace element budget of the Moon with two independent isotope systems, and aids clarifying the origin of elevated ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd isotope compositions in the Earth Moon system. Our sample selection covers all important lunar lithologies such as low- and high-Ti mare basalts as well as enriched basalts (KREEP) and various lunar highland rocks (see Appendix). The samples are well characterized and were previously investigated for their inventory of High Field Strength Elements (HFSE) and other incompatible elements (W, U, Th) (Thiemens et al., 2019). For a total of 32 lunar samples (including two duplicates), we measured ¹³⁸La-¹³⁸Ce and ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd isotope compositions by MC ICP-MS (Schnabel et al., 2017) and determined trace element compositions of sample aliquots by quadrupole ICP-MS (Garbe-Schönberg, 1993) (see also Appendix). Ratios of ¹³⁸La/¹³⁶Ce and ¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd were both measured by isotope dilution (Schnabel et al., 2017). Further details on the analytical protocol are given in the method section. Within analytical uncertainty, our ECe value obtained for BHVO-2 (-0.82±0.21) is in excellent agreement with our long-term average (-0.65±0.21) and values obtained by other laboratories (Israel et al., 2019; Willig and Stracke, 2019).

3.3. Sample selection and compositions

We investigated a comprehensive suite of 30 lunar samples that comprise the most common rock types found on the Moon. The collection includes samples from Apollo 11 (three), Apollo 12 (six), Apollo 14 (three), Apollo 15 (six) Apollo 16 (three), Apollo 17 (eight) and one lunar meteorite (NWA 6950). These samples represent chemically distinct

reservoirs from the Moon's interior that provide insight into different phases of lunar evolution. Among the samples are also two Ferroan anorthosites (FANs, samples 60025 and 67076) that represent the oldest lunar crust, built by floating plagioclase cumulates (Wood et al., 1970). FANs are generally characterized by very low incompatible trace element concentrations and strongly positive Eu/Eu* anomalies (9.15 to 32.8), but the strongly heterogeneous trace element systematics suggest some intra-group variations (Extended Data Figs. 3.2 and 3.3). Furthermore, seven KREEP-rich samples were analyzed here (samples 14163, 14305, 14310, 65015, 72275, 73275 and 68115), tapping the highly enriched urKREEP reservoir that formed after the majority of the lunar magma ocean (LMO) had crystallized (McKay and Weill, 1977; Warren and Wasson, 1979). KREEP-rich samples show strongly enriched signatures (La/Sm=2.39-2.47), slightly negative Nb-Ta anomalies (Nb/La=0.641-0.926), negative Eu/Eu* (0.220-0.388) and Ti/Ti* anomalies (0.125-0.211) (Thiemens et al., 2019; Kommescher et al., 2020). In addition, eight high Ti basalts (samples 10020, 79035, 79135, 10017, 10020, 10057, 74255, 74275 and 75035) and 14 low Ti basalts (15058, 15065, 15545, 15556, 15495, 15555, 12004, 12022, 12051, 12053, 12054 and 12063) as well as one lunar meteorite NWA 6950 were analyzed here, all representing volcanic eruptions during younger, prolonged mare activity. While low Ti basalts show broadly unfractionated HFSE compositions (Münker, 2010; Thiemens et al., 2019), most High Ti basalts have positive HFSE anomalies, relative to similar incompatible REEs (Nb/La=1.14 to 4.47; Zr/Sm=24.0-28.6) (Thiemens et al., 2019). High Ti basalts and Apollo 12 low Ti basalts show predominantly depleted light rare earth element (LREE) patterns (La/Sm=0.694-1.50 and 1.08-1.57, respectively), while Apollo 15 low Ti basalts show less fractionated and more uniform REE patterns (La/Sm=1.52-1.76).

3.4. Discussion

3.4.1. Cerium-Nd isotope evidence

As key observation, lunar rocks define a tight, anti-correlated array in ¹³⁸Ce-¹⁴³Nd space, where high and low-Ti mare basalts define the incompatible element depleted and KREEP basalts the enriched endmember, respectively (Fig. 3.1). Notably, the present day ECe and ϵ Nd values of the array do not intersect at chondritic ϵ Ce- ϵ Nd compositions, suggesting a non-chondritic composition of the Moon (Fig. 3.1a). Since the present day εCe-εNd array of lunar basalts is controlled by ¹³⁸La/¹³⁶Ce and ¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd ratios that might have been modified from the source ratios during partial melting, we also calculated $\epsilon Ce_{(i)} \epsilon Nd_{(i)}$ at the time of crystallization (Fig. 3.1b). Interestingly, the slope of the array is shallower than for terrestrial samples (Hasenstab et al., 2021; Tusch et al., 2021a) (Fig. 3.1d, Extended Data Fig. 3.1), possibly a result of different fractionation of La/Ce from Sm/Nd in the terrestrial and lunar mantle. At $\epsilon Nd_{(i)}=0$, our combined data for lunar rocks intersect at $\epsilon Ce_{(i)}=-$ 0.26±0.04, arguing for a slight depletion of the Moon in light rare earth elements. As robust insights from initial $\epsilon Ce_{(i)} \epsilon Nd_{(i)}$ values might be biased by the large time interval of crystallization between individual samples, we also provide a time independent approach by calculating ¹³⁸La/¹³⁶Ce_{source}-¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd_{source} ratios of their cumulate sources, assuming a common LMO differentiation age of 4.33 Ga (Boyet and Carlson, 2007; Borg et al., 2019) (Fig. 3.1c). Notably, the array defined by ¹³⁸La/¹³⁶Ce_{source}-¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd_{source} ratios also does not intersect the chondritic composition. These combined observations clearly demonstrate that the bulk silicate Moon (BSM) cannot be chondritic and must be slightly depleted in highly incompatible trace elements relative to chondrites. Notably, the offset of initial $\epsilon Ce_{(i)}$ values between our lunar samples and the chondritic composition is relatively small. Therefore, it must be ensured that the offset is not an artifact caused by an inaccurate determination of the chondritic reference composition, usually referred to as chondritic uniform reservoir (CHUR). We therefore compare 3.3±0.25 Ga old lunar



Fig. 3.1: Measured Ce-Nd isotope compositions of lunar rocks. a) Present day ε Ce- ε Nd values do not intersect the chondritic compositions but are displaced towards less radiogenic ε Ce values, similar to our modelled slightly depleted Earth-Moon composition (SDEM) or SCHEM (Caro and Bourdon, 2010). b) Initial ε Ce_{(i})- ε Nd_{(i}) values also do not intersect at chondritic compositions. c) Calculated ¹³⁸La/¹³⁶Ce_{source} and ¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd_{source} ratios do also not intersect the chondritic values and confirm a non-chondritic composition of the bulk Moon. Calculated ¹³⁸La/¹³⁶Csource and ¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Ndsource ratios refer to a LMO crystallization age of 4.33 Ga (Borg et al., 2019) and assume chondritic starting compositions (Bouvier et al., 2008; Willig and Stracke, 2019). The ¹³⁸Ce/¹³⁶Ce isotope composition for SCHEM was extrapolated, assuming an ε Nd value of +6.9 (Caro and Bourdon, 2010) and using the recently defined terrestrial Ce-Nd mantle array(Israel et al., 2019). d) Comparison of a subset of near-contemporaneous 3.3±0.25 Ga lunar and terrestrial rocks. For ε Nd=0, the ε Ce intersect of both planetary bodies is displaced by ~70 ppm. The arrays of 3.3 ± 0.25 Ga old lunar and Archean (Hasenstab et al., 2021; Tusch et al., 2021a) rocks both intersect at a composition of ε Ce(3.25Ga)=-0.39±0.13 and ε Nd(3.25Ga)=+2.0±0.5. This is indistinguishable from our modelled composition for BSM at 3.3 Ga, exhibiting ε Ce(3.3Ga) and ε Nd(3.3Ga) values of -0.26 and +1.4, respectively. All data are normalized to the CHUR values of Bouvier et al., (2008) and Willig and Stracke, (2019).

samples from this study with contemporaneous Archean rocks from the Pilbara and the Kaapvaal Craton for which combined Ce and Nd isotope data have been reported previously (Hasenstab et al., 2021; Tusch et al., 2021a). We have chosen this specific age group, because it comprises enough samples to gain representative interpretations. In stark contrast to the subchondritic intersect of lunar rocks (Fig. 3.1d), 3.3 Ga old terrestrial samples from the Pilbara and Kaapvaal Cratons (Hasenstab et al., 2021; Tusch et al., 2021a) intersect the chondritic $\epsilon Nd_{(3.3Ga)}=0$ value at a superchondritic $\epsilon Ce_{(i)}=+0.39\pm0.06$, clearly resolvable from the lunar intersect by ~70 ppm (Fig. 3.1d, Extended Data Fig. 3.1). Furthermore, the two terrestrial suites display a significantly steeper array in $\epsilon Ce - \epsilon Nd$ space. Taking these findings into consideration, we conclude that the observed offset for lunar and terrestrial samples in $\epsilon Ce_{(i)}-\epsilon Nd_{(i)}$ space from CHUR cannot be simply explained by inaccurate ¹³⁸La/¹³⁶Ce and ¹³⁸Ce/¹³⁶Ce isotope composition for CHUR. Any adjustment of ¹³⁸La/¹³⁶Ce or ¹³⁸Ce/¹³⁶Ce ratios for CHUR would modify the calculated intercepts of $\epsilon Ce_{(i)}$ values for lunar and terrestrial rocks equally. In addition, the CHUR value by Willig and

Stracke, (2019) was previously confirmed in another study (Israel et al., 2019), further confirming its validity. Hence, we arrive at the inescapable conclusion, that the Moon must be depleted in its highly incompatible trace element budget.

In contrast to our claim for a nonchondritic Moon, long-lived Hf and

Fig. 3.2: Modelled isotope and trace element compositions of lunar mantle reservoirs in comparison to available data for lunar basalts. a) Shown are different modelled endmember compositions of various LMO cumulates (Snyder et al., 1992) assuming a depleted bulk composition for the Moon. Mixing relationships between the shown cumulates can explain the full range of coupled $^{176}\text{Lu}/^{177}\text{Hf}_{\text{source}}$ vs. ¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd_{source} ratios for existing literature data of lunar rocks (Sprung et al., 2013; Carlson et al., 2014). b) Modelled Th/La vs. ¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd_{source} data imply that Apollo 12 and 15 low Ti basalts were formed by the involvement of different mantle cumulates, excluding simple mixing models between a single depleted LMO cumulate and different proportions of TIRL, as suggested earlier (Sprung et al., 2013). Parent/daughter_{source} ratios for LMO cumulates were calculated assuming a crystallization age of 4.336 Ga (Borg et al., 2019) and a depleted bulk composition for the Moon as inferred in this study. If not stated otherwise, symbols on the mixing lines correspond to 25, 50 and 75% mixing proportions. Abbreviations: орх orthopyroxene-rich cumulates, cpx-pl-pig clinopyroxene-plagioclase-pigeonite-rich cumulates, pl-pig-ol = plagioclase-pigeoniteolivine rich cumulates, IBC = ilmenite-bearing cumulates, KREEP = K-REE-P-rich rocks.



Nd isotope systematics have previously provided strong arguments in favor of a chondritic Moon (Sprung et al., 2013). Sprung et al., (2013) provided ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf and ¹⁴³Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd isotope data for different lunar rock types and conducted isotope modelling, evaluating both chondritic and non-chondritic starting compositions (superchondritic Earth model composition; herein referred to as SCHEM (Caro and Bourdon, 2010)). Importantly, some of these samples were also analyzed in this study, yielding identical ¹⁴³Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd compositions. While most of the lunar rocks from Sprung et al., (2013) could be explained by both starting compositions, the claim for a chondritic starting composition particularly hinged on two lunar low Ti basalts from Apollo 15 (15499 and 15495; Fig. 3.2a), which were found to be inconsistent with a non-chondritic starting composition.

3.4.2. Modelling approach

Considering the new ¹³⁸La-¹³⁸Ce isotope data, a new model is clearly required to explain the apparent inconsistency between Ce-Nd and Hf-Nd isotope systematics. Therefore, we included samples that were previously analyzed for ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁷⁶Hf and ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd isotope systematics (Sprung et al., 2013; Carlson et al., 2014) in our study and conducted combined trace element and Hf-Nd-Ce isotope modeling, using the same crystallization sequence (Snyder et al., 1992) that was previously used by Sprung et al., (2013) (Fig. 3.2). This previous modeling approach (Sprung et al., 2013) required significant amounts of trapped interstitial liquid (TIRL) to be retained in the LMO cumulates (up to ~20%) in order to explain the observed Hf-Nd systematics. The use of such high amounts of TIRL conflicts with previous studies (Snyder et al., 1992) who suggested significantly lower amounts (≤5%). Taking this into consideration, we explain the compositions of lunar basalts by mixing relationships between different cumulate reservoirs that formed after lunar magma ocean crystallization (Snyder et al., 1992) (see Appendix for detailed modelling parameters). As starting composition for a depleted BSM we assumed a slightly depleted bulk silicate Earth (BSE) composition from the literature (O'Neill and Palme, 2008) mixed with a primitive projectile (Palme and O'Neill, 2013) during the giant impact (Fig. 3.3). Mixing proportions follow previous assumptions and amount to 14% impactor material and 86% terrestrial material (Canup, 2004), assuming complete equilibration between both planetary bodies in the aftermath of the giant impact(Pahlevan and Stevenson, 2007; Stewart et al., 2018). Our modelled depleted BSM composition (hereinafter denoted as slightly depleted Earth-Moon system or SDEM; for further information see below) evolves towards present day εCe, εNd and εHf values of -0.94, +5.0 and +10.1, respectively, which is less depleted than SCHEM (Caro and Bourdon, 2010) (Table 3.1). The modelled ¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd composition of the BSM amounts to 0.2045, similar to but slightly lower than previous independent estimates from ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd patterns (¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd=0.206 (Caro et al., 2008); ¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd=0.2054 (Caro and Bourdon, 2010)). In Fig. 3.2a, modelled compositions of ¹⁷⁶Lu/¹⁷⁷Hf and ¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd for lunar cumulate reservoirs are compared with the observed range of existing lunar data. Our modelling approach shows that mixing between various types of LMO cumulates can produce hybrid compositions that are able to explain the full range of observed lunar isotope and trace element compositions. Long-lived radiogenic

isotope compositions of our modelled SDEM are reported in Table 3.1 and modelled trace elements are reported in Extended Data 3.1.

Our model can reconcile the parent/daughter_{source} ratios of high Ti basalts by mixing of ilmenite-bearing cumulates (IBCs) (Irving et al., 1978) with clinopyroxene-plagioclase-pigeonite cumulates (Fig. 3.2). Other studies also invoked the involvement of KREEP-rich material (Brandon et al., 2009a) or high amounts of TIRL (Sprung et al., 2013) (similar to KREEP at this late stage of LMO crystallization). However, we consider the involvement of such an enriched material as unlikely since it would have easily overprinted the depleted light rare earth element patterns (La/Sm_{CN}=0.61 to 0.89) of high Ti basalts (Extended Fig. 3.1, see Method section for more information).

Together with our combined isotope and trace element data, our modeling approach now permits new insights into geochemical relationship between different suites of low Ti basalts, which have previously been regarded to represent one petrological group. In contrast to this view, our combined trace element and isotope data reveal distinct differences between Apollo 12 and 15 low Ti basalts, strongly arguing for the involvement of different mantle sources during their petrogenesis. In Th/La vs. ¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd_{source} space (Fig. 3.2b), compositions of Apollo 12 low Ti basalts suggest the admixture of KREEP during their petrogenesis. In contrast, our group of Apollo 15 low Ti basalts fall on a different mixing array with plagioclase-pigeonite-olivine cumulates as more plausible endmember. The low Th/La ratios of Apollo 15 low Ti basalts further corroborate an origin from a depleted lunar reservoir, arguing against significant involvement of TIRL as previously proposed (Sprung et al., 2013). The role of different cumulates in the formation of Apollo 12 and 15 low Ti basalts is also in accord with our modelled ¹⁷⁶Lu/¹⁷⁷Hf_{source} and ¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd_{source} compositions (Fig. 3.2a). Most importantly, our findings show that even the two critical low Ti samples from Apollo 15 (15499 and 15495) used in previous modelling approaches¹⁸ plot on our proposed cumulate mixing line. Consequently these two key samples from Sprung et al., (2013) can no longer exclude a non-chondritic composition of the Moon (Fig. 3.2a). Collectively, the good agreement between geochemical observations and theoretical modelling predictions strengthen the case for a non-chondritic Moon.

isotope system parent/daughter isotope composition ε-value ε-value ratio (3.3 Ga) (present day) (present day) ¹³⁸Ce/¹³⁶Ce=1.336771 ¹³⁸La-¹³⁸Ce 0.1768 -0.26 -0.94 ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd ¹⁴³Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd=0.512889 0.2045 +1.4 +5.0 ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁷⁶Hf ¹⁷⁶Hf/¹⁷⁷Hf=0.283070 0.03680 +2.8 +10.1

Table 3.1: ¹³⁸La-¹³⁸Ce, ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd, and ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁷⁶Hf parent-daughter ratios and isotope compositions of the modelled SDEM reservoir.

Modelled parameters are listed in the Method section and Appendix A3.

3.4.3. Implications for short-lived ¹⁴⁶Sm-¹⁴²Nd systematics

Our proposed depleted Moon composition also has implications for short-lived ¹⁴⁶Sm-¹⁴²Nd systematics. The most recent studies explain the ~10 to 30 ppm ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd excess of the Earth-Moon system compared to the most Earth-like chondrites by nucleosynthetic heterogeneities (Bouvier and Boyet, 2016; Burkhardt et al., 2016; Boyet et al., 2018). When investigating existing Nd isotope data in μ^{142} Nd vs. μ^{145} Nd, μ^{148} Nd or μ^{150} Nd space (Extended Data Fig. 3.4), Earth appears to plot off the s-process mixing line by having elevated ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd compositions. We reevaluated nucleosynthetic isotope effects by calculating best-fit arrays in μ^{142} Nd vs. μ^{145} Nd, μ^{148} Nd or μ^{150} Nd space (Extended Data Fig. 3.4), based on Nd isotope data compiled from the literature (Boyet et al., 2018) (see also Appendix for a more detailed discussion). The intersects of chondritic μ^{142} Nd values at $\mu^{145,148,150}$ Nd=0 amount to a weighted mean of -11.0±1.5 ppm relative to the terrestrial reference (weighted 2 rsd). This value indicates that Earth has a residual excess in μ^{142} Nd relative to the most Earth-like chondrites, even when nucleosynthetic effects are taken into account (Burkhardt et al., 2016; Boyet et al., 2018). These observations imply that part of the μ^{142} Nd excesses found on Earth still require early silicate differentiation, although the offset must be smaller than previously estimated (Caro et al., 2008; Caro and Bourdon, 2010). Assuming that the residual 11.0 \pm 1.5 ppm μ^{142} Nd excess of Earth is caused by silicate differentiation that occurred immediately at 4.568 Ga (Caro and Bourdon, 2010), this would correspond to a minimum ¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd ratio of 0.203 for the BSE. This value is in good agreement but slightly lower than the one we modelled for the BSM (¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd=0.2045). However, if a younger differentiation age is assumed, BSE needs to have evolved with a higher ¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd ratio, which would shift the ¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd composition of BSE even closer to our modelled composition. For example, when assuming a differentiation age of 4.525 Ga that is slightly younger than the most recent age estimations of the Moon (Thiemens et al., 2019), the μ^{142} Nd excess of the accessible silicate Earth (and consequently the Moon) would correspond to a ¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd ratio of 0.2042, surprisingly similar to what is claimed here. Collectively, even when considering s-process-related variations in Earth's building blocks, the modelled ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd isotope compositions are still in accord with our observations from Ce-Nd isotopes.

3.4.4. Comparison with Archean rocks

While lunar rocks intersect chondritic $\epsilon Nd_{(i)}$ at subchondritic $\epsilon Ce_{(i)}$ values, nearcontemporaneous terrestrial rocks intersect chondritic $\epsilon Nd_{(i)}$ at significantly higher $\epsilon Ce_{(i)}$ values. For the Pilbara Craton $\epsilon Nd_{(i)}=0$ is intersected at $\epsilon Ce_{(i)}=+0.22\pm0.12$, while the Kaapvaal Carton gives an intersect of $+0.33\pm0.12$. Since the slopes in $\epsilon Ce_{\epsilon}Nd$ are significantly steeper compared to the lunar array, the terrestrial intersects for $\epsilon Ce_{(i)}$ at $\epsilon Nd_{(i)}=0$ are less precise, although it is striking that they do not seem to fully overlap chondritic Earth compositions. Interestingly, though, the terrestrial $\epsilon Ce_{(i)}-\epsilon Nd_{(i)}$ array of 3.3 ± 0.25 Ga rocks from the Pilbara and Kaapvaal Cratons overlaps our modelled SDEM composition. The intersection of the 3.3 ± 0.25 Ga lunar and terrestrial arrays is at $\epsilon Ce_{(3.3Ga)}= 0.39\pm0.13$ and $\epsilon Nd_{(3.3Ga)}=+2.0\pm0.5$, in good agreement with our modelled composition for the BSM ($\epsilon Ce_{(3.3Ga)}=-0.26$ and $\epsilon Nd_{(3.3Ga)}=+1.4$). Importantly, this calculated intersection is sufficiently robust, since intersections calculated for different age groups of samples and for individual cratons yield identical results (Extended Data Fig. 3.1). Our observations imply the conclusion that not only BSM but also BSE has a superchondritic composition and that our modelled SDEM composition can be interpreted as bulk composition for both planetary bodies, as hypothesized earlier (Brandon et al., 2009a). Our model can also explain why Archean rocks show positive $\varepsilon Ce_{(i)}$ values at chondritic $\varepsilon Nd_{(i)}$ values (Hasenstab et al., 2021; Tusch et al., 2021a). This feature is a consequence of the markedly different slopes in $\varepsilon Ce_{(i)}$ - $\varepsilon Nd_{(i)}$ space (3.3 Ga terrestrial rocks m=-0.39±0.07 (Hasenstab et al., 2021; Tusch et al., 2021a); 3.25 Ga lunar rocks m=-0.036±0.014; Fig 1) and normalizing them to a wrong reservoir (CHUR), which will result in different intersections of $\varepsilon Ce_{(i)}$ at $\varepsilon Nd_{(i)}=0$.

Although various chondrite classes were shown to have nearly constant ratios of lithophile refractory elements (Palme and O'Neill, 2013) (¹³⁸La/¹³⁶Ce or ¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd), it remains ambiguous if this also applies to larger planetary bodies (Caro et al., 2008; O'Neill and Palme, 2008; Caro and Bourdon, 2010; Campbell et al., 2012). In this regard, our finding of a depleted lunar composition is of particular interest. Since many recent studies argued that a large proportion of the Moon is made up by terrestrial material (Pahlevan and Stevenson, 2007; Zhang et al., 2012; Stewart et al., 2018), it is most likely that the depletion was inherited from proto-Earth. To account for such depleted terrestrial reservoirs, the most plausible explanation involves early silicate differentiation on the proto-Earth. Evidence for such early silicate differentiation events is provided by terrestrial rocks that exhibit anomalous compositions of short-lived isotope systematics, such as ¹⁸²Hf-¹⁸²W, ¹⁴⁶Sm-¹⁴²Nd or ¹²⁹I-¹²⁹Xe (Boyet and Carlson, 2005; Mukhopadhyay, 2012; Tusch et al., 2021a). We therefore reevaluate below, if previous models for early terrestrial differentiation can also account for a depleted lunar composition, namely (1) early terrestrial magma ocean crystallization leaving behind a deep enriched reservoir (Labrosse et al., 2007) (2) deeply subducted enriched hidden reservoirs (Tolstikhin and Hofmann, 2005) or (3) a depleted bulk Earth following collisional erosion (O'Neill and Palme, 2008) (Fig. 3.3).

3.4.5. Origin of the depleted lunar component

The first possible model (1) considers the segregation of enriched silicate reservoirs that formed during terrestrial magma ocean crystallization in the deep Earth (Fig. 3.3). In this scenario, the Moon would have preferentially accreted from light rare earth element-depleted domains. Considering that crystallization of a magma ocean on Earth's surface is assumed to have been deep-rooted (reaching the perovskite stability field (Li and Agee, 1996)) or may even have occurred as basal magma ocean (Labrosse et al., 2007), segregation of Ca- Mg-perovskite would have severely fractionated highly incompatible trace elements including element ratios like Th/La or Zr/Sm (Corgne et al., 2005; Hasenstab et al., 2021; Tusch et al., 2021a). Assuming that the Moon has predominantly accreted proto-Earth material (Pahlevan and Stevenson, 2007; Zhang et al., 2012; Stewart et al., 2018), it should have inherited such fractionated incompatible trace element ratios, which is rather not the case (Extended Data Fig. 3.1). Following model (2), proto-Earth may have sequestered enriched crustal material along the core-mantle boundary by subduction in a strongly convecting Hadean mantle (Fig. 3.3). This is supported by the presence of large

low-shear-velocity provinces in the deep mantle and could have resulted in the formation of an enriched hidden reservoir that was not sampled during the Moon-forming giant impact (Tolstikhin and Hofmann, 2005). However, the onset of continuous and large-scale subduction likely postdates the giant impact (Tolstikhin and Hofmann, 2005) and therefore it remains ambiguous whether very early subduction processes could have sequestered



Fig. 3.3: Possible models explaining a slightly depleted composition of the Moon. Early silicate differentiation on a chondritic proto-Earth could account for early depleted reservoirs in three different ways (1) in an early magma ocean where a layered mantle was formed with a deep enriched reservoir (Labrosse et al., 2007); (2) in an early subduction-like setting where enriched crust was transported to lower mantle regions (Tolstikhin et al., 2006); or (3) during cosmic erosion that preferentially removed Earth's upper, enriched proto-crust (O'Neill and Palme, 2008). Due to the preferential sampling of depleted mantle material from the accessible Earth during the giant impact, all three models could account for an incompatible element depleted Moon. However, since it remains ambiguous, if early differentiated reservoirs would have survived the giant impact (Pahlevan and Stevenson, 2007; Stewart et al., 2018), we prefer the cosmic erosion model.

sufficient amounts of enriched material into the deep mantle. Notably, models (1) and (2), require that such hidden enriched reservoirs would have survived the Moon-forming impact (Tolstikhin et al., 2006; Pahlevan and Stevenson, 2007; Stewart et al., 2018), which is geodynamically difficult (Pahlevan and Stevenson, 2007; Stewart et al., 2018). This issue is bypassed in model (3), in which the enriched terrestrial reservoir is not sequestered in the deep Earth, but is rather partly removed by collisional erosion (O'Neill and Palme, 2008), leaving behind a slightly depleted BSE (Fig. 3.3). In this model, the Moon inherited its depleted composition from a depleted bulk proto-Earth. Although all models can in principle account for a depleted Moon, we therefore prefer model 3 due to the geodynamic shortcomings of models (1) and (2).

3.5. Conclusive remarks

In summary, we can explain the slightly depleted composition of the Moon (SDEM) with dynamic models, where the depleted lunar composition might be a vestige from a slightly depleted proto-Earth. This model is in line with previous models for a depleted proto-Earth (e.g., SCHEM or EDR) (Caro et al., 2008; Caro and Bourdon, 2010), but in the earlier models, a substantially higher degree of incompatible element depletion as postulated here was required, which is more difficult to be reconcile with Hf and Nd isotope constraints (Sprung et al., 2013; Burkhardt et al., 2016; Boyet et al., 2018). Our postulated SDEM composition lies in between the previously postulated depleted reservoirs (Caro et al., 2008; Caro and Bourdon, 2010) and primitive chondritic compositions (Palme and O'Neill, 2013). If proven valid by future work on terrestrial samples, our findings have not only implications for lunar research, but also may also shed new light on the mass balance of terrestrial mantle reservoirs.

3.6. Method section

3.6.1. Analytical techniques

For our ¹³⁸La-¹³⁸Ce and ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd isotope study, we processed ca. 100 mg for basaltic samples and ca. 250 mg for FAN samples, as reported in the study of Thiemens et al., (2019). Prior to digestion, an isotope tracer enriched in ¹⁵⁰Nd and ¹⁴⁹Sm was added to all sample powders. After the samples were fully digested (for digestion technique see Thiemens et al., (2019)), the solutions were split into three aliquots, including a larger 70-80% aliquot (70% for high and low Ti basalts, 75% for FANs and 80% for KREEPs) that was subsequently processed following previous separation protocols (Pin and Zalduegui, 1997; Münker et al., 2001; Schnabel et al., 2017) to obtain pure and unspiked fractions for Ce-IC measurements, as previously summarized by Hasenstab et al., (2021). Compositions of Sm and Nd were also measured from these aliquots. An isotope tracer enriched in ¹³⁸La and ¹⁴²Ce was added to the second 10-15% aliquots, and left for two days at 120°C to ensure sample-spike equilibration. This LREE-bearing cut was subsequently processed after Schnabel et al., (2017) to separate pure element fractions for La-ID and Ce-ID analysis. The

remaining 10% aliquots were analyzed at University of Kiel for trace element compositions using an Agilent 7500cs quadruple ICP-MS and following the analytical protocol of Garbe-Schönberg, (1993). Due to total spiking of certain isotopes (⁹⁴Zr, ¹⁴⁹Sm, ¹⁵⁰Nd, ¹⁷⁶Lu, ¹⁸⁰Hf, ¹⁸⁰Ta, ¹⁸³W, ²²⁹Th, ²³³U and ²³⁶U), we report the ID data instead (from Thiemens et al., (2019), Appendix A3).

Lanthanum-Ce isotope dilution (ID) and Ce isotope composition (IC) analyses were performed following the analytical protocol of Schnabel et al., (2017) on a Thermo Finnigan Neptune Plus MC ICP-MS at University of Cologne, with some minor modifications to the protocol stated in Hasenstab et al., (2021). The exponential law was used for mass bias correction assuming a ¹³⁶Ce/¹⁴⁰Ce of 0.002124072 (Makishima and Nakamura, 1991). A potential tailing effect of ¹⁴⁰Ce on ¹³⁸Ce was determined by measuring half masses but only yielded negligible tailing effects on ¹³⁸Ce that lie in the sub-ppm range (Schnabel et al., 2017; Hasenstab et al., 2021). All data are reported relatively to the Mainz AMES standard solution, with a ¹³⁸Ce/¹³⁶Ce of 1.33738 (Willbold, 2007). For Ce ID measurements, doped Ba was used for mass bias correction, assuming a ¹³⁷Ba/¹³⁵Ba ratio of 1.70383, whereas for La ID measurements doped Nd was used for mass bias correction (¹⁴⁶Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd=0.7219). The external reproducibilities on $^{138}La/^{136}Ce$ are better than $\pm 0.2\%$ (2 σ) for ID measurements and ± 21 ppm (2 σ) for Ce IC measurements for single measurements (Schnabel et al., 2017; Hasenstab et al., 2021). To get better accuracy and precision of our measurements, we performed replicate measurements (up to 12 times) for Ce IC as far as it was possible from the available material. For samples analyzed more than four times (most KREEP basalts and some high Ti basalts), we report the 95% confidence interval as uncertainty, while our external reproducibility of ± 21 ppm is given as uncertainty for samples measured four times or less.

Neodymium isotope compositions are reported relative to the La Jolla standard, having a ¹⁴³Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd ratio of 0.511859. Mass bias correction was performed by assuming a ¹⁴⁶Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd of 0.7219, following the exponential law. In contrast to older in house Nd isotope studies (Hasenstab et al., 2021) we used an Apex device, which yielded a significantly better external reproducibility of ±17 ppm while the external reproducibility for ¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd ratios amounts to better than ±0.2% (2 σ). The calculated uncertainties on initial Ce and Nd isotope compositions as well as parent/daughter_{source} ratios represent the propagated uncertainties from the measured isotope compositions, the uncertainties of the parent-daughter ratio and the uncertainties of the crystallization ages as well as and neutron capture effects in case they remained uncorrected.

3.6.2. Neutron capture effects

Due to the large amount of elements analyzed from the same sample digestions employed for this study (Zr, Lu, Hf, Nb, Ta, W, U, Th, La, Ce, Nd, Sm) (Thiemens et al., 2019) we have chosen total spiking for Sm-Nd analysis to avoid a more complex chromatographic separation protocol with possibly poor yields. However, total spiking hampers an accurate correction for the neutron capture affected Sm and Nd isotopes. For the samples of this study, for which Sm isotopes have been previously analyzed (Boyet and Carlson, 2007;

Sprung et al., 2013; Gaffney and Borg, 2014; Mcleod et al., 2014; Borg et al., 2019), we corrected neutron capture effects following the approach of Sprung et al., (2010) and Sprung et al., (2013), since previous studies (Brandon et al., 2009a; Mcleod et al., 2014) have shown that secondary neutron fluences vary insignificantly within the same samples. For samples without Sm IC isotope literature data being available, we additionally included an uncertainty of $\pm 0.5 \epsilon$ Nd-units to the uncertainty propagation, which is a valid maximum as outlined in a similar approach(Münker, 2010).

For Ce isotopes, we also used the available Sm isotope data (Boyet and Carlson, 2007; Sprung et al., 2013; Gaffney and Borg, 2014; Mcleod et al., 2014; Borg et al., 2019) and if available in conjunction with unspiked Hf isotope data (Sprung et al., 2014; Kruijer and Kleine, 2017) to quantify the effects on La and Ce isotopes. The neutron capture effects on La and Ce isotopes are generally significantly lower than what is observed for Nd or Sm isotopes with the strongest effects lying on ¹³⁶Ce, showing cross sections and resonance integrals calculated from the derived ENDF/B-VI.8 300°K database (https://wwwnds.iaea.org/exfor/endf.htm.), using the ENDF utility code inter_win.exe (https://wwwnds.iaea.org/public/endf/utility-7.0/inter/.) (see Extended Data Table 3.1 for detailed parameters). The respective neutron capture effects were calculated using the code of Sprung et al., (2013), extended for La and Ce and adhering to the same boundary conditions listed therein. Similar to the Sm-Nd corrections, for La-Ce corrections, epithermal-tothermal flux-ratios were calculated from existing Sm-IC data (Boyet and Carlson, 2007; Sprung et al., 2013; Gaffney and Borg, 2014; Mcleod et al., 2014; Borg et al., 2019) and Hf-IC data (Sprung et al., 2014; Kruijer and Kleine, 2017). The strongest neutron capture effect were calculated for sample 15556 where the measured cCe value would be 0.03 c-units higher than the neutron capture corrected value, which is negligible, given the present analytical uncertainty. This sample is also known to have Sm isotope compositions corresponding to extraordinarily strong neutron irradiations (Sprung et al., 2013). For samples for which Sm IC data exists, a neutron capture correction was applied for the ¹³⁸La-¹³⁸Ce systematics. For samples without existing Sm IC data, we added a 3 ppm uncertainty (which is the highest correction in this study) to our uncertainty propagation.

Since Ce-Nd isotope arrays of lunar rocks from this study form a linear trend (Fig. 3.1) as observed in present day igneous rocks (Israel et al., 2019) or Archean rocks (Hasenstab et al., 2021; Tusch et al., 2021a), this observation further corroborates that the uncertainty estimates for neutron capture induced isotope heterogeneity employed here are sufficiently robust, since different cross sections for different isotopes and elements should produce scatter on the $\epsilon Ce_{(i)}$ - $\epsilon Nd_{(i)}$ array. Therefore, we conclude that neutron capture processes did not affect Ce isotope compositions and that the Ce-Nd isotope compositions of this study only reflect the pristine magmatic events.

3.6.3. Previous modelling constraints on LMO crystallization

Choosing adequate model parameters is crucial, as they exert a strong impact on the inferred model outcome. Previous modelling approaches that addressed long-lived isotope systematics in lunar rocks (Sprung et al., 2013) explained the lunar isotope data by the

formation of distinct LMO cumulate reservoirs (Snyder et al., 1992) that retained variable amounts of trapped interstitial residual liquid (TIRL). However, this approach needs to be treated with caution, as it considers high amounts ($\geq 20\%$) of TIRL to explain the ¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd_{source} and ¹⁷⁶Lu/¹⁷⁷Hf_{source} compositions of some samples (samples 15499 or 15495 and 10057). This is ≥4 times higher than previous estimates for TIRL that amounted to ≤5% (Snyder et al., 1992; Münker, 2010). Due to trace element partitioning, the crystallizing cumulates will become incompatible trace element depleted whereas the remaining melt residue will become increasingly enriched. Consequently, the admixture of high amounts of TIRL to the LMO cumulate would dominate the incompatible trace element budget of the cumulate. However, this is not in accord with trace element constraints provided by our study. We obtained high precision isotope dilution (ID) data for a variety of low Ti basalts, including sample 15495 that, required extremely high amounts of TIRL (ca. 20%) according to Sprung et al., (2013). However, our data reveal a strongly subchondritic Th/La ratio (0.0944) for sample 15495 which is almost 25% lower than chondritic/primitive mantle estimates (Palme and O'Neill, 2013), similar to other low Ti basalts (Fig. 3.2b). Such depleted characteristics cannot be reconciled by high amounts of TIRL, which would cause superchondritic Th/La ratios.

Another issue arises from the choice of partition coefficients used in the model of Sprung et al., (2013). This study assumed a D_{Hf} of 0.28 for ilmenite, resulting in D_{Hf}/D_{Lu} ratios that are ~10 times lower than previous estimates for lunar ilmenite (Klemme et al., 2006). Taking such low D_{Hf} values into consideration, positive Hf/Hf^* anomalies that are diagnostic for high Ti basalts (Extended Data Fig. 3.2) could no longer be related to partial melting of ilmenite (Kommescher et al., 2020). The low partition coefficients for Hf in ilmenite comes from a study that investigated trace element partitioning between ilmenite, armalcolite and silicate melts (van Kan Parker et al., 2011). Similar to ilmenite, armalcolite is also a Tioxide in which Zr and Hf are even more compatible than in ilmenite (see van Kan Parker et al., (2011)). We conclude that the low D_{Hf} for ilmenite is related to the presence of armalcolite in the experimental charges of van Kan Parker et al., (2011) that exerts a strong influence on the partitioning behavior of Hf in ilmenite. Accordingly, the D_{Hf} value of 0.28 in ilmenite from van Kan Parker et al., (2011) is expected to be underestimated when armalcolite is not present. These considerations are also in accord with ilmenite partitioning data obtained by another study (Klemme et al., 2006) that reported significantly higher D_{Hf} values in ilmenite (1.24). Notably, when a more realistic D_{Hf} of 1.24 is used for ilmenite (Klemme et al., 2006) the IBC endmember from Sprung et al., (2013) would plot at significantly lower ¹⁷⁶Lu/¹⁷⁷Hf ratios. Consequently, such an IBC endmember composition would define a mixing array that would no longer be able to explain the observed range of $^{176}Lu/^{177}Hf_{source}$ ratios in high Ti basalts.

3.6.4. New modelling constraints

In our model, we assumed a slightly depleted bulk silicate Moon as starting composition. As previously proposed, LMO solidification followed a crystallization sequence (Snyder et al., 1992) that produced geochemically distinct mantle cumulates. The proceeding LMO solidification sequestered a crystallization sequence that formed six geochemically distinct

cumulate reservoirs: Strongly depleted (1) orthopyroxene-rich and (2) clinopyroxeneplagioclase-pigeonite-rich cumulates, moderately depleted (3) olivine-rich and (4) plagioclase-pigeonite-olivine rich cumulates, slightly enriched (5) ilmenite-bearing cumulates, and a highly enriched (6) KREEP-reservoir. As we can show, subsequent mixing of these cumulates forms hybrid reservoirs that are able to explain the full range of isotope and trace element characteristics observed in the most common petrological lunar rock types.

As discussed in the main text, we argue that the depleted character of the Moon may have been inherited from a depleted proto-Earth. A depleted composition for the BSE has previously been suggested by other studies (Caro et al., 2008; O'Neill and Palme, 2008; Caro and Bourdon, 2010; Campbell et al., 2012). To quantify the composition of a depleted proto-Earth, we followed the approach of O'Neill and Palme, (2008). In short, 2.6 % of crust (relative to BSE) is extracted, and partly (54%) removed by collisional erosion (see O'Neill and Palme, (2008) for more details). This causes a depleted composition of a left-over proto-Earth with a superchondritic ¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd ratio of 0.2063, ,similar to previous estimates (Caro et al., 2008; Caro and Bourdon, 2010). We expanded the modelled depleted BSE composition from O'Neill and Palme, (2008) now also providing data for Nb, Ta, Ce, Pr, Zr, Eu, Gd, Tb, Dy, Y Ho, Er and Y using the same model parameters and partitioning coefficients as originally used in study (O'Neill and Palme, 2008), with some minor adjustments. The partition coefficients for La were recalculated using the lattice strain model (Blundy and Wood, 1994), since D_{La}/D_{Ce} was unrealistically low (0.45), with D_{La} plotting significantly below the predicted lattice strain hyperbole defined by other rare earth elements. To prevent the slightly depleted proto-Earth from transmitting potential Zr-Hf anomalies to the Moon, D_{zr} was recalculated so that the inferred composition had a $Zr/Zr^* = (Sm_{CN} \times Nd_{CN})^{0.5} = 1$ and Hf was recalculated by assuming constant D_{Zr}/D_{Hf} ratios that were previously reported (O'Neill and Palme, 2008). The proposed depleted proto-Earth composition (SDEM) is given in Table 3.1 and Extended Data Table 3.2 and all modelling parameters and outcomes (LMO crystallization compositions) are listed Appendix A3.

Recent studies have shown remarkable nucleosynthetic isotope similarities between Earth and Moon, such as for Cr or Ti that are indistinguishable on both planetary bodies (Zhang et al., 2012; Young et al., 2016; Mougel et al., 2018). Furthermore oxygen isotope compositions of Earth and Moon are also virtually indistinguishable (Young et al., 2016) although previous studies suggested small differences (Greenwood et al., 2018; Cano et al., 2020) that are still clearly much lower compared to compositions of other planetary bodies, such as Mars or Vesta (Mohapatra and Murty, 2003; Zhang et al., 2019). Based on these observations, more recent dynamic models for the Moon-forming giant impact suggest near-complete equilibration between Earth and Moon (Pahlevan and Stevenson, 2007; Stewart et al., 2018). On that basis, we also assumed full equilibration between the lunar impactor and proto-Earth. Our lunar impactor of assumed chondritic composition amounts to ca. 14% of Earth's mass (Canup, 2004), as suggested in a previous study. During accretion, the Moon inherited the depleted incompatible trace element characteristics of the depleted proto-Earth. Our modelled depleted BSM evolves at ¹³⁸La/¹³⁶Ce=0.1768, ¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd=0.2045 and ¹⁷⁶Lu/¹⁷⁷Hf=0.03680, slightly lower than the Superchondritic Earth Model by Caro and Bourdon, (2010). This corresponds to present day ϵCe , ϵNd and ϵHf values of -0.94, +5.0 and +10.1, respectively. If differentiation directly occurred at 4.568 Ga, a maximum μ^{142} Nd of +13.2 ppm relative to chondrites can be inferred. A younger age for this differentiation event would shift Earth's (and the Moon's) μ^{142} Nd composition towards lower ¹⁴²Nd excesses. For example, when assuming a differentiation age of 4.525 Ga that is slightly younger than the most recent age estimations of the Moon (Thiemens et al., 2019), the μ^{142} Nd excess of Earth (and consequently the Moon) would decrease to +9.9 ppm.

After the Moon has accreted from depleted Earth material, it underwent planetary differentiation, i.e., lunar magma ocean (LMO) formation. For this event we assumed an age of 4.336 Ga (Borg et al., 2019) and a crystallization sequence as previously suggested (Snyder et al., 1992). The distinct mantle reservoirs formed during LMO crystallization comprise (in order of crystallization) olivine-cumulates, orthopyroxene-cumulates, plagioclase-olivine-pigeonite-cumulates, clinopyroxene-plagioclase-pigeonite-cumulates, pigeonite-plagioclase-clinopyroxene-ilmenite-bearing cumulates and KREEP. It has been shown that fractional crystallization operates imperfectly, as, for examples, anorthosites often still contain olivine. To account for these imperfect conditions, we added 2% entrained plagioclase and 1-5% TIRL to the cumulates as suggested earlier (Snyder et al., 1992). Throughout our modelling we used partition coefficients from recent studies (Phinney and Morrision, 1990; Westrenen et al., 2000; McDade et al., 2003; Klemme et al., 2006; Dygert et al., 2020). For a better overview, we provide all modelling parameters as well as compositions of the different lunar reservoirs in the Appendix A3.

3.6.5. Evaluation of nucleosynthetic contributions to the terrestrial ¹⁴²Nd inventory

In the past, nucleosynthetic variations have been reported for Nd isotopes (Bouvier and Boyet, 2016; Burkhardt et al., 2016; Boyet et al., 2018), and negative correlations for μ^{145} Nd, μ^{148} Nd and μ^{150} Nd vs. μ^{142} Nd have been observed and were interpreted as mixing lines of differently distributed s-process material. Previous studies (Bouvier and Boyet, 2016; Burkhardt et al., 2016; Fukai and Yokoyama, 2017; Fukai and Yokoyama, 2019) have argued that Earth also falls on this mixing line, leading to the interpretation that Earth must be chondritic as well. However, none of these studies have calculated best fit lines whether Earth really plots on that mixing line or not. Boyet et al., (2018) compiled existing chondrite data and on that basis we have calculated best fit intersects in μ^{142} Nd vs. μ^{145} Nd, μ^{148} Nd and μ^{150} Nd spaces. The weighted intersects at μ^{145} Nd=0, μ^{148} Nd=0, and μ^{150} Nd=0 amount to μ^{142} Nd=-11.0 ±1.5 ppm, indicating that a residual μ^{142} Nd difference of ca. 11 ppm between Earth and the most Earth-like chondrites cannot be fully explained by nucleosynthetic variations alone (Extended Data Fig. 3.4). In these plots, enstatite chondrites are the most Earth-like chondrites, whereas ordinary chondrites as well as carbonaceous chondrites show an increasing s-process deficit, becoming increasingly distinct from Earth's Nd isotope composition. Burkhardt et al., (2016) has argued that the high amounts of CAIs in the CV chondrite Allende distorts the Nd isotope composition of Allende (and that of other CV chondrites). Notably, subtracting CAIs as suggested by Burkhardt et al., (2016) would shift carbonaceous chondrites towards lower μ^{142} Nd but

higher μ^{145} Nd, μ^{148} Nd and 150 Nd values, which would result in a rotation of the best fit sprocess mixing line (Extended Fig. 3.4). Considering that almost all of the carbonaceous chondrites comprise CV chondrites, this would affect most of the carbonaceous chondrites (Extended Data Fig. 3.4). Since the mean value of these three arrays roughly approximate to the composition of ordinary chondrites in μ^{142} Nd vs. $\mu^{145,148,150}$ Nd space, ordinary chondrites would roughly constitute the point of rotation of these arrays, if a CAI correction for CV chondrites was applied. Since the best fit slopes in μ^{142} Nd vs. μ^{145} Nd and μ^{148} Nd space are steeper compared to the CAI subtraction line, the correction for CAI admixture would rotate these best fit lines counterclockwise, resulting in lower μ^{142} Nd intersections. Therefore, the lowest of these intersects (μ^{142} Nd=-5.7±1.3; Extended Data Figs. 3.4a-d) can be considered a minimum residual offset for Earth. In μ^{142} Nd vs. μ^{150} Nd space, however, the calculated best fit lines have a shallower slope compared to the CAI mixing line, which would rotate the best fit line clockwise, resulting in decreased μ^{142} Nd intersections. Therefore, our lowest calculated offset in μ^{142} Nd vs. μ^{150} Nd space (μ^{142} Nd=-12.4±0.6; Extended Data Figs. 4e-f) can be considered a maximum offset for Earth. Combined, this implies that the offset between Earth and the most Earth-like chondrites ($\mu^{145}Nd=0$; μ^{148} Nd=0; μ^{150} Nd=0) in their ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd compositions must lie between 5.7±1.3 and 12.4±0.6 ppm. In this regard, our superchondritic Earth model provides a viable mechanism to explain this residual offset. Depending on the differentiation age at which Earth must have differentiated, our modeling predictions suggest maximum ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd difference of ≤13.2 ppm for Earth (assuming earliest possible terrestrial differentiation at 4.568 Ga), which is in excellent agreement with the observed difference between Earth and chondrites.

3.6.6. Extended Data Figures and Tables

Extended Data Fig. 3.1: Combined intersects of terrestrial and lunar Ce-Nd arrays for a) 3.25±0.1 Ga lunar and Pilbara rocks (Hasenstab et al., 2021), b) 3.3±0.25 Ga lunar and Pilbara (Hasenstab et al., 2021) rocks, c) 3.65±0.2 Ga lunar and Kaapvaal rocks (Tusch et al., 2021a). None of the individual arrays intersect the chondritic composition (Willig and Stracke, 2019), but all arrays share a common slightly depleted reservoir (SDEM).



Extended Data Table 3.1

Neutron capture cross sections and resonance integrals used to calculated neutron effects on La and Ce isotope compositions.

isotope	thermal neutron capture cross section @ 300 K	resonance integral
¹³⁴ Ba	1.39E+00	2.14E+01
¹³⁵ Ba	5.76E+00	9.89E+01
¹³⁶ Ba	4.08E-01	1.64E+00
¹³⁷ Ba	5.05E+00	3.87E+00
¹³⁸ Ba	3.56E-01	2.57E-01
¹³⁸ La	5.66E+01	3.64E+02
¹³⁹ La	8.90E+00	1.20E+01
¹³⁶ Ce	7.38E+00	7.66E+01
¹³⁸ Ce	1.02E+00	9.12E+00
¹⁴⁰ Ce	5.64E-01	3.91E-01
¹⁴² Ce	9.41E-01	3.00E+00

Extended Data Table 3.2:

Trace element composition of SDEM.

element	SDEM
[ppm]	
Th	0.0526
Nb	0.386
Та	0.0279
La	0.499
Ce	1.37
Pr	0.214
Nd	1.10
Zr	8.48
Hf	0.250
Sm	0.371
Eu	0.144
Gd	0.511
Tb	0.0955
Dy	0.652
Y	3.75
Er	0.428
Yb	0.442
Lu	0.0657



Extended Data Fig. 3.2: Incompatible trace element patterns for various lunar samples analysed here, divided by petrological types. Data for W, Th, U, Nb, Ta Zr, Hf and Lu comprise isotope dilution data from Thiemens et al., (2019) and Ti isotope dilution data is from Kommescher et al., (2020). Lanthanum, Ce, Nd and Sm data comprise isotope dilution data from this study. All combined data were obtained from the same digestion. Primitive mantle was taken from Palme and O'Neill, (2013) with slight modifications: Nb was extrapolated by assuming a Nb/Ta ratio of 17 (Münker et al., 2003) and W was extrapolated by assuming a Hf/W ratio of 25.6 for the BSM (Thiemens et al., 2019).



Extended Data Fig. 3.3: Trace element variation diagrams illustrating petrological and geochemical differences between Apollo 12 and 15 low Ti basalts. Plotted are a) Th/La vs. SiO₂ and b) La/Sm vs. SiO₂. The data imply that Apollo 12 and 15 low Ti basalts must have been derived from distinct mantle cumulate reservoirs. Thorium data are from Thiemens et al., (2019) and SiO₂ data from previous studies (Morrison et al., 1971; Wakita et al., 1971; Willis et al., 1971; Mason et al., 1972; Strasheim et al., 1972; Taylor et al., 1972; Willis et al., 1972; Nakamura et al., 1973; Rhodes and Hubbard, 1973; Duncan et al., 1974; Rose et al., 1975; Wänke et al., 1975; Rhodes et al., 1977; Wänke et al., 1977; Snyder et al., 1997; Ryder and Schuraytz, 2001; Norman et al., 2002). SiO_2 data were only considered from studies that also reported incompatible trace element data that are well consistent with our trace element data.



Extended Data Fig. 3.4: Nucleosynthetic variations of Nd isotopes. Reevaluation of different chondrite classes and their implications for Earth's ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd composition from recently compiled data (Boyet et al., 2018). Plotted are a) $\mu^{142}Nd_{corr_A}$ vs. $\mu^{145}Nd$, b) $\mu^{142}Nd_{corr_B}$ vs. $\mu^{145}Nd$, c) $\mu^{142}Nd_{corr_A}$ vs. $\mu^{148}Nd$, d) $\mu^{142}Nd_{corr_B}$ vs. $\mu^{148}Nd$, e) $\mu^{142}Nd_{corr_A}$ vs. $\mu^{145}Nd$, c) $\mu^{142}Nd_{corr_A}$ vs. $\mu^{148}Nd$, d) $\mu^{142}Nd_{corr_B}$ vs. $\mu^{148}Nd$, e) $\mu^{142}Nd_{corr_A}$ vs. $\mu^{150}Nd$ and f) $\mu^{142}Nd_{corr_B}$ vs. $\mu^{150}Nd$. From all six plots, we recalculated a weighted y-axis intersect for $\mu^{142}Nd$ that amounts to -11.0±1.5, with Earth having a $\mu^{142}Nd$ of 0. This implies, that Earth has a ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd isotope composition that is 11 ppm higher than the most Earth-like chondrites, even when nucleosynthetic variations are considered. For carbonaceous chondrites, CAI-uncorrected compositions were used. The effects of CAI subtraction as suggested by Burkhardt et al., (2016) is discussed in the appendix. The abbreviations "corr_A" and "corr_B" refer to the correction of radiogenic ingrowth of ¹⁴⁶Sm-¹⁴²Nd over time by using measured ¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd ratios or by using calculated Sm/Nd ratios from the long-lived ¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd systematics, respectively (see also Boyet et al., (2018)). Slopes for s-process mixing lines are from Burkhardt et al., (2016) but intersect at $\mu^{142}Nd$ =-11 as proposed from the best fit intersects that were recalculated here. Nd isotope data for CAIs are from previous studies (Brennecka et al., 2013; Burkhardt et al., 2016). Colored bands represent the error propagated best fit lines.

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Supplementary Figures



Supplementary Figure 1.1: ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁷⁶Hf whole rock errorchrons for all major stratigraphic units after York, (1967), where at least three samples were analyzed. In this regard, we discarded samples that have strongly heterogeneous ϵ Hf_(i) values. If less than three samples were available for some formations, we grouped formations if the age differences were less than 20 Ma for ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd and ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁷⁶Hf and less than 50 Ma for ¹³⁸La-¹³⁸Ce. Additional data are from Nebel et al., (2014). Errors used are the external reproducibilities, however if individual 2s.e. were larger than the external reproducibility, these uncertainties were chosen.



Supplementary Figure 1.2: ¹⁴⁷Sm-¹⁴³Nd whole rock errorchrons for all major stratigraphic units. For further information, see supplementary Figure 1.1.



Supplementary Figure 1.3: ¹³⁸La-¹³⁸⁴³Ce whole rock errorchrons for all major stratigraphic units. For further information, see supplementary Figure 1.1.



Supplementary Fig. 1.4: Pressure and temperature calculations after (Lee et al., 2009) for Pilbara maficultramafic rocks. Only samples with MgO≥9.5 wt. % and LOI<3 wt. % were chosen to ensure no fractionation of pyroxene and near-pristine magmatic compositions. All magma compositions were corrected for olivine fractionation using olivine Mg# of 0.90, demonstrating that sample Pil16-20b was melted from significantly deeper mantle domains compared to all other Pilbara samples. Fertile Iherzolite solidus from Hirschmann, (2000) and garnet out line from Klemme et al., (2009) and Klemme and O'Neill, (2000). Large dots are samples from the studies of Maier et al., (2009) and Tusch et al., (in review) that were also analyzed in this study. Small dots represent samples from the study of Smithies et al., (2018).



Supplementary Fig. 1.5: Mixing model for hybrid melts tapping ca. 50-70% primitive mantle (PM) and 30-50% residual mantle that was formed from an orthopyroxene-rich mantle in the garnet stability field (Appendix A1). This compositional range can reproduce trace element compositions of Warrawoona and Kelly Group komatiites. Warrawoona Group and Kelly Group komatiite and basalt trace element compositions are from Maier et al., (2009) and Tusch et al., (2021). Normalized to primitive mantle (PM) after Palme and O'Neill, (2013).

Group	Warrawoona Group	Warr	awoona Gro	up	Warrawoona Group
Formation	Mount Webber	Table	etop Formatio	on	Tabletop Formation
	Gabbro				
Age [Ma]	3578?		3525		3525
Error [Ma]	10		10		10
Longitude	21°28.426'	2	21°06.440'		21°06.37'
Latitude	119°20.691'	1	.19°03.373'		119°03.418'
Rock Type	amphibolite		basalt		basalt
Sample	Pil17-007	Pil16-054a	duplicate ^d	average	Pil16-55
La [ppm]	4.280				3.564
Ce [ppm]	10.64				9.021
¹³⁸ La/ ¹³⁶ Ce	0.1959				0.1923
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce	1.336888				1.336940
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±11				±9
εCe _(i)	-0.5				+0.1
(±2σ)	±0.3				±0.3
Sm [ppm]	2.177	2.311			2.045
Nd [ppm]	7.213	6.962			6.399
¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.1824	0.200695991			0.1932
¹⁴³ Nd/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.512377	0.512793			0.512618
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±19	±8			±20
εNd _(i)	+1.3	+1.1			+1.0
(±2σ)	±0.6	±0.6			±0.6
Lu (ppm)	0.3063	0.4215	0.4203	0.4209	0.3671
Hf [ppm]	1.623	1.8470	1.8503	1.8487	1.664
¹⁷⁶ Lu/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	0.02678	0.03239	0.03224	0.03232	0.03131
¹⁷⁶ Hf/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	0.282377	0.282776	0.282755	0.282766	0.282706
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±6	±5	±7	±6	±7
εHf _(i)	+2.2	+2.6	+2.2	+2.4	+2.7
(±2σ)	±0.2	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3

Group	Warr	Warrawoona Group			rawoona Gro	oup	Warrawoona Group
Formation	Table	etop Formati	on	Coι	ucal Formatio	on	Coonterunah Group
Age [Ma] Error [Ma] Longitude		3525 10 21°06.440'			3507 20 21°07.276'		3500 30 n.a.
Latitude	1	.19°03.373'		1	119°02.505'		n.a.
Rock Type	basalt				basalt		komatiite
Sample	Pil16-054b	duplicate ^d	average	Pil16-056	duplicate ^d	average	179756
La [ppm] Ce [ppm] ¹³⁸ La/ ¹³⁶ Ce	3.075 8.348 0.1792 1.336805			12.69 30.88 0.2000 1 336947	12.72 30.89 0.2005 1 337017	12.71 30.88 0.2002 1 336982	0.8421 2.246 0.1825 1.336803
(+2SE, 6th digit)	+33			+20	+20	+0	+12
εCe _(i)	-0.1			-0.3	+0.2	-0.1	-0.3
(±2σ)	±0.3			±0.3	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3
Sm [ppm] Nd [ppm] ¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	1.965 6.066 0.1958			4.965 18.41 0.1630			0.5090 1.586 0.1940
¹⁴³ Nd/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.512682			0.511912			0.512729
(±2SE, 6th digit) ENdo	±/ +1 1			±8 +0.9			±17 +2 9
(±2σ)	±0.6			±0.6			±0.6
Lu [ppm] Hf [ppm] ¹⁷⁶ Lu/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf ¹⁷⁶ Hf/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	0.3701 1.696 0.03096 0.282685	0.3690 1.676 0.03125 0.282675	0.3695 1.686 0.03111 0.282680	0.6152 4.488 0.01945 0.281887			0.09787 0.4102 0.03386 0.282976
(±2SE. 6th digit)	±7	±6	±6	±25			±11
εHf _(i)	+2.8	+1.8	+2.3	+2.1			+6.2
(±2σ)	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3	±0.9			±0.4

Group	Warrawoona	Warrawoona	Warrawoona	Wa	arrawoona Gr	oup
Formation	Coonterunah	North Star Basalt	North Star	Ν	lorth Star Basa	alt
Age [Ma]	3500	3490	3490		3490	
Frror [Ma]	25	20	10		10	
Longitude	 n.a.	21°10.080'	21°09.047'		21°22,873'	
Latitude	n.a.	119°23.982'	119°24.508'		119°33.614'	
Rock Type	komatiite	basalt	komatiitic basalt		basalt	
Sample	179757	Pil16-017	Pil16-20b	Pil16-037a	duplicate ^d	average
La [nnm]	0 6348	6 901	6 985	6 201	6 604	6 402
Ce [ppm]	1.501	18.24	18.87	15.95	16.71	16.33
¹³⁸ La/ ¹³⁶ Ce	0.2059	0.1841	0.1802	0.1891	0.1924	0.1908
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce	1.336743	1.336849	1.336832	1.336874	1.336934	1.336904
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±11	±24	±29	±24	±21	±0
εCe _(i)	-2.2	-0.1	+0.1	-0.2	+0.1	-0.1
(±2σ)	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3
Sm [ppm]	0.3793	3.168	3.277	3.233		
Nd [ppm]	1.178	12.18	12.96	10.97		
¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.1946	0.1571	0.1528	0.1782		
¹⁴³ Nd/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.512875	0.511745	0.511666	0.512275		
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±17	±9	±9	±9		
εNd _(i)	+5.4	+0.2	+0.7	+1.1		
(±2σ)	±0.6	±0.6	±0.6	±0.6		
Lu (ppm)	0.07514	0.2449	0.2148	0.3134		
Hf [ppm]	0.3259	1.883	1.800	2.217		
¹⁷⁶ Lu/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	0.03272	0.01846	0.01694	0.02006		
¹⁷⁶ Hf/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	0.282922	0.281766	0.281675	0.281922		
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±15	±6	±7	±5		
εHf _(i)	+7.0	0.0	+0.4	+1.7		
(±2σ)	±0.6	±0.3	±0.3	±0.2		

Group	Warrawoona Group	Callina Supersuite			Warrawoona Group			
Formation	North Star Basalt	Nor	th Shaw Tona	alite	Dre	Dresser Formation		
Age [Ma]	3490		3485			3481		
Error [Ma]	10	10			15			
Longitude	21°00.465'		21°21.415'		21°5.567'			
Latitude	119°49.908'		119°27.249'			119°26.761'		
Rock Type	basalt		tonalite		ko	matiitic bas	alt	
Sample	Pil16-44a	Pil16-35	duplicate ^{r,d}	average	Pil16-21	duplicated	average	
La [ppm]	3.439	66.26						
Ce [ppm]	11.69	132.8						
¹³⁸ La/ ¹³⁶ Ce	0.1432	0.2428						
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce	1.336864	1.337357	1.337312	1.337335				
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±15	±13	±18					
εCe _(i)	+2.6	+0.1	-0.2	-0.1				
(±2σ)	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3				
Sm [ppm]	2.491	7.917			0.9895			
Nd [ppm]	7.508	52.68			3.238			
¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.2006	0.09080			0.1847			
¹⁴³ Nd/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.512786	0.510210			0.512397			
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±9	±8			±6			
εNd _(i)	+1.0	+0.1			+0.5			
(±2σ)	±0.6	±0.6			±0.6			
Lu (ppm)	0.4202	0.1583	0.1555	0.1569	0.1971	0.2004	0.1987	
Hf [ppm]	2.281	3.978	3.586	3.782	0.9226	0.9341	0.9284	
¹⁷⁶ Lu/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	0.02615	0.005645	0.006154	0.005900	0.03033	0.03044	0.03039	
¹⁷⁶ Hf/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	0.282357	0.280946	0.280990	0.280968	0.282614	0.282611	0.282613	
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±7	±5	±8	±6	±7	±8	±7	
εHf _(i)	+2.6	+1.4	+1.8	+1.6	+1.7	+1.4	+1.6	
(±2ơ)	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3	

Group	Warrawoona Group	Warrawoona Group	Ca	llina Supersu	lite	
Formation	Mount Ada Basalt	Duffer formation	Homev	vard Bound	Granite	
Age [Ma]	3481	3475		3466		
Error [Ma]	15	20		10		
Longitude	21°12.300'	20°57.470'		21°10.443'		
Latitude	119°18.582'	119°52.485'		119°45.636'		
Rock Type	basalt	banded iron formation		granitoid		
Sample	Pil16-007	Pil16-62	Pil16-41	duplicate ^r	average	
La [ppm] Ce [ppm] ¹³⁸ La/ ¹³⁶ Ce			64.76 90.17 0.3496			
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce			1.337333	1.337243	1.337288	
(±2SE, 6th digit)			±11	±17	±14	
εCe _(i)			-6.7	-7.3	-7.0	
(±2σ)			±0.3	±0.3	±0.3	
Sm [ppm]	1.185	0.4821	12.04			
Nd [ppm]	3.933	1.967	65.86			
¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.1821	0.1481	0.1105			
¹⁴³ Nd/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.512374	0.511548	0.510691			
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±19	±8	±8			
εNd _(i)	+1.2	+0.3	+0.4			
(±2ơ)	±0.6	±0.6	±0.6			
Lu [ppm]	0.2526		0.9072			
Hf [ppm]	1.205		10.45			
¹⁷⁶ Lu/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	0.02976		0.01232			
¹⁷⁶ Hf/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	0.282575		0.281414			
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±5		±5			
εHf _(i)	+1.6		+1.8			
(±2σ)	±0.2		±0.2			

Group	Warrawoona Group			-	Warrawoona Group	Warrawoona Group
Formation	North	Pole Monzog	granite	Spearhill Monzogranite	Mount Ada Basalt	Mount Ada Basalt
Age [Ma]		3466		3466	3451	3451
Error [Ma]		10		10	30	30
Longitude		21°06.971'		21°31.112'	21°21.893'	21°22.150'
Latitude		119°22.409'		119°24.228'	119°34.345'	119°34.416'
Rock Type	n	nonzogranit	e	monzogranite	basalt	basalt
Sample	Pil16-012	duplicate ^r	average	Pil16-36a	Pil16-028	Pil16-030a
La [ppm]	27.67				6.099	2.284
Ce [ppm]	42.48				16.61	6.124
¹³⁸ La/ ¹³⁶ Ce	0.3171				0.1787	0.1816
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce	1.337515	1.337459	1.337487		1.336823	1.336872
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±15	±18	±16		±21	±17
εCe _(i)	-3.3	-3.7	-3.5		+0.1	+0.3
(±2σ)	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3		±0.3	±0.3
Sm [ppm]	3.135			5.464	3.619	1.423
Nd [ppm]	19.27			25.99	12.25	4.337
¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.0983			0.1270	0.1786	0.1983
¹⁴³ Nd/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.510456			0.511012	0.512294	0.512708
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±8			±8	±6	±11
εNd _(i)	+1.3			-6.3	+1.2	+0.5
(±2σ)	±0.6			±0.6	±0.6	±0.6
Lu [ppm]	0.1135			0.6162	0.4904	0.2183
Hf [ppm]	3.861			5.768	2.907	1.050
¹⁷⁶ Lu/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	0.004171			0.01516	0.02394	0.02949
¹⁷⁶ Hf/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	0.280874			0.281613	0.282211	0.282578
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±4			±6	±22	±8
εHf _(i)	+2.0			-5.8	+2.5	+2.4
(±2σ)	±0.3			±0.3	±0.8	±0.3

Group	Warrawoona Group	Warrawoona Group	Warrawoona Group		oup	Warrawoona Group
Formation	Mount Ada Basalt	Mount Ada Basalt		Apex Basalt		Apex Basalt
Age [Ma]	3451	3451		3443		3443
Error [Ma]	30	30		30		30
Longitude	21°22.150'	21°12.113'		21°06,760'		21°10.624'
Latitude	119°34.416'	119°19.069'		119°22,667'		119°41.762'
Rock Type	basalt	basalt		dolerite		basaltic andesite
Sample	Pil16-30c	Pil17-10	Pil16-009	$duplicate^d$	average	Pil16-22a
La [ppm]		8.559				1.156
Ce [ppm]		19.79				3.340
¹³⁸ La/ ¹³⁶ Ce		0.2105				0.1685
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce		1.337069				1.336768
(±2SE, 6th digit)		±11				±11
εCe _(i)		0.0				+0.3
(±2σ)		±0.3				±0.3
Sm [ppm]	1.090	2.952	0.8359			0.9884
Nd [ppm]	3.411	11.27	2.569			2.762
¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.1932	0.1583	0.1967			0.2163
¹⁴³ Nd/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.512621	0.511805	0.512735			0.513113
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±8	±12	±12			±12
εNd _(i)	+1.1	+0.7	+1.7			+0.4
(±2σ)	±0.6	±0.6	±0.6			±0.6
Lu [ppm]	0.1869	0.3386	0.1305	0.1304	0.1304	0.1926
Hf [ppm]	0.8811	2.555	0.6662	0.6643	0.6652	0.8030
¹⁷⁶ Lu/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	0.03011	0.01881	0.02779	0.02787	0.02783	0.03405
¹⁷⁶ Hf/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	0.282613	0.281811	0.282498	0.282488	0.282493	0.282884
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±8	±5	±4	±7	±6	±6
εHf _(i)	+2.1	+0.4	+3.5	+3.0	+3.2	+2.5
(±2σ)	±0.3	±0.4	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3

Group	Warrawoona Group	Warrawoona Group			Warrawoona Group		
Formation	Apex Basalt		Apex Basalt			Apex Basalt	
Age [Ma]	3443		3443			3443	
Error [Ma]	30	30			30		
Longitude	21°10.530'		21°10.552'			21°10.641'	
Latitude	119°41.933'		119°42.011'		119°42.124'		
Rock Type	basalt		basalt			basalt	
Sample	Pil16-023a	Pil16-24	duplicate ^d	average	Pil16-025	duplicate ^d	average
La [ppm]	3.013	1.906			3.118		
Ce [ppm]	8.022	5.141			8.583		
¹³⁸ La/ ¹³⁶ Ce	0.1828	0.1804			0.1768		
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce	1.336934	1.336859			1.336779		
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±23	±13			±27		
εCe _(i)	+0.7	+0.2			-0.1		
(±2σ)	±0.3	±0.3			±0.3		
Sm [ppm]	1.940	1.128			2.051		
Nd [ppm]	5.873	3.608			6.259		
¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.1997	0.1890			0.1981		
¹⁴³ Nd/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.512789	0.512542			0.512733		
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±10	±23			±10		
εNd _(i)	+1.5	+1.4			+1.1		
(±2σ)	±0.6	±0.6			±0.6		
Lu [ppm]	0.3467	0.2167	0.2153	0.2160	0.3658	0.3657	0.3657
Hf [ppm]	1.566	1.386	1.371	1.378	1.715	1.701	1.708
¹⁷⁶ Lu/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	0.03142	0.02219	0.02229	0.02224	0.03027	0.03052	0.03040
¹⁷⁶ Hf/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	0.282715	0.282233	0.282242	0.282238	0.282643	0.282640	0.282641
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±6	±5	±6	±6	±6	±8	±7
εHf _(i)	+2.7	+7.3	+7.4	+7.4	+2.8	+2.1	+2.5
(±2σ)	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3

Group	Warrawoona Group	Kelly Group		Kelly Group			Kelly Group			
Formation	Apex Basalt	Euro Basalt		Euro Basalt			Euro Basalt			
Age [Ma]	3443	3343		3343			3343			
Error [Ma]	25	15	15				15			
Longitude	n.a.	21°12.933'	21°07.871'				21°21.709'			
Latitude	n.a.	119°18.448'	119°03.724'				119°48.040'			
Rock Type	komatiite	dolerite		basalt			basalt			
Sample	179738	Pil16-001	Pil16-53a	duplicate ^d	average	Pil16-39a	duplicate ^d	average		
La [ppm]	2.527		6.036	6.003	6.019					
Ce [ppm]	6.646		16.09	16.00	16.05					
¹³⁸ La/ ¹³⁶ Ce	0.1851		0.1826	0.1826	0.1826					
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce	1.336836		1.336877	1.336886	1.336881					
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±9		±22	±25						
εCe _(i)	-0.2		+0.2	+0.3	+0.3					
(±2σ)	±0.3		±0.3	±0.3	±0.3					
Sm [ppm]	1.269	1.143	3.126			2.520				
Nd [ppm]	4.346	3.966	10.63			8.486				
¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.1765	0.1743	0.1778			0.1795				
¹⁴³ Nd/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.512248	0.512200	0.512263			0.512368				
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±13	±8	±7			±12				
εNd _(i)	+1.2	+1.0	+0.7			+2.0				
(±2σ)	±0.6	±0.6	±0.6			±0.6				
Lu [ppm]	0.1961	0.1935	0.5387	0.5361	0.5374	0.3001	0.2950	0.2976		
Hf [ppm]	1.011	0.9820	2.447	2.429	2.438	1.775	1.726	1.751		
¹⁷⁶ Lu/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	0.02752	0.02796	0.03125	0.03133	0.03129	0.02399	0.02426	0.02412		
¹⁷⁶ Hf/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	0.282423	0.282495	0.282713	0.282707	0.282710	0.282241	0.282237	0.282239		
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±8	±9	±7	±8	±7	±6	±6	±6		
εHf _(i)	+1.5	+2.6	+2.8	+2.4	+2.6	+2.6	+1.9	+2.3		
(±2σ)	±0.3	±0.4	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3		

Group		Kelly Group		1	Kelly Group		Kelly Group	Kelly Group
Formation		Euro Basalt		l	Euro Basalt		Euro Basalt	Euro Basalt
Age [Ma]		3343			3343		3343	3343
Error [Ma]		15		15			15	15
Longitude		21°21.551'		21°08.300'			21°12.853'	n.a.
Latitude	119°47.963'			119°00.484'			119°18.398'	n.a.
Rock Type		peridotite			gabbro		gabbro	komatiite
Sample	Pil16-040	duplicate ^d	average	Pil16-058b	duplicate ^d	average	Pil17-009	179815
La [ppm]				7.349	7.132	7.240	2.668	
Ce [ppm]				18.54	18.06	18.30	6.831	
¹³⁸ La/ ¹³⁶ Ce				0.1929	0.1922	0.1925	0.1901	
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce				1.336932	1.336959	1.336945	1.336911	
(±2SE, 6th digit)				±24	±18		±14	
εCe _(i)				0.0	+0.3	+0.2	0.0	
(±2σ)				±0.3	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3	
Sm [ppm]	0.378			3.623			1.416	
Nd [ppm]	1.020			12.42			4.639	
¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.2242			0.1763			0.1846	
¹⁴³ Nd/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.513370			0.512244			0.512401	
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±21			±11			±19	
εNd _(i)	+2.3			+1.0			+0.5	
(±2σ)	±0.6			±0.6			±0.6	
Lu (ppm)	0.08420	0.08392	0.08406	0.3270			0.2320	0.07668
Hf [ppm]	0.2750	0.2717	0.2734	2.463			1.105	0.2334
¹⁷⁶ Lu/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	0.04346	0.04385	0.04365	0.01885			0.02981	0.04663
¹⁷⁶ Hf/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	0.283548	0.283552	0.283550	0.281896			0.282591	0.283853
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±8	±9	±8	±6			±6	±22
εHf _(i)	+4.6	+3.8	+4.2	+2.2			+1.8	+8.1
(±2σ)	±0.4	±0.4	±0.4	±0.3			±0.2	±0.9

Group	Kelly Group	Roebourne Group	Roebourne Group	Roe	bourne Grou	р	
Formation	Euro Basalt	Ruth Well Formation	Ruth Well Formation	Ruth	Ruth Well Formation		
Age [Ma]	3343	3261	3261		3261		
Error [Ma]	15	25	25		25		
Longitude	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.		20°47.265'		
Latitude	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.		117°11.940		
Rock Type	komatiite	komatiite	komatiite		komatiite		
Sample	179816	160242	160245	Pil16-66b	duplicate ^d	average	
La [ppm]	0.6521						
Ce [ppm]	1.787						
¹³⁸ La/ ¹³⁶ Ce	0.1777						
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce	1.336789						
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±10						
εCe _(i)	-0.1						
(±2σ)	±0.3						
Sm [ppm]	0.4952		0.351	0.879			
Nd [ppm]	1.414		1.537	2.428			
¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.2118		0.1382	0.2189			
¹⁴³ Nd/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.513038		0.511506	0.513209			
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±16		±35	±13			
εNd _(i)	+1.2		+2.4	+1.7			
(±2σ)	±0.6		±0.7	±0.6			
Lu [ppm]	0.09493	0.05497	0.03884	0.1014	0.1015	0.1014	
Hf [ppm]	0.3757	0.2876	0.2998	0.6241	0.6178	0.6209	
¹⁷⁶ Lu/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	0.03587	0.02713	0.01839	0.02305	0.02332	0.02318	
¹⁷⁶ Hf/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	0.283046	0.282512	0.281999	0.282222	0.282228	0.282225	
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±15	±14	±16	±10	±9	±9	
εHf _(i)	+4.1	+4.7	+6.0	+3.5	+3.1	+3.3	
(±2σ)	±0.6	±0.5	±0.6	±0.4	±0.4	±0.4	

Group	Soanesville Group	Soanesville Group	Soanesville Group	Sc	oanesville Gro	oup
Formation	Paddy Market Formation	Honeyeater Basalt	Honeyeater Basalt	Но	oneyeater Ba	salt
Age [Ma]	3210	3182	3182		3182	
Error [Ma]	30	10	10		10	
Longitude	21°08.522'	21°07.696'	21°08.058'		21°08.058'	
Latitude	119°12.125'	119°12.319'	119°13.112'		119°13.112'	
Rock Type	shale	basalt	ultramfite		gabbro	
Sample	Pil16-50b	Pil16-51	Pil16-052a	Pil16- 52b	duplicate ^d	average
La [ppm]	35.55			1.666	1.656	1.661
Ce [ppm]	60.39			4.295	4.291	4.293
¹³⁸ La/ ¹³⁶ Ce	0.2866			0.1889	0.1879	0.1884
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce	1.337584			1.336862	1.336814	1.336838
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±33			±11	±14	
εCe _(i)	-0.4			-0.2	-0.5	-0.4
(±2σ)	±0.3			±0.3	±0.3	±0.3
Sm [ppm]	3.994	1.096	0.4845	1.200		
Nd [ppm]	22.93	2.945	1.412	3.401		
¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.1053	0.2251	0.2075	0.2134		
¹⁴³ Nd/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.510656	0.513338	0.512984	0.513111		
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±8	±14	±15	±18		
εNd _(i)	-1.0	+1.9	+2.2	+2.3		
(±2σ)	±0.7	±0.6	±0.6	±0.6		
Lu [ppm]	0.3678	0.1943	0.09426	0.2013	0.1978	0.1996
Hf [ppm]	2.979	0.9108	0.3830	1.028	1.004	1.016
¹⁷⁶ Lu/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	0.01752	0.03028	0.03494	0.02780	0.02795	0.02788
¹⁷⁶ Hf/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	0.281765	0.282657	0.282960	0.282540	0.282538	0.282539
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±5	±9	±6	±6	±8	±7
εHf _(i)	-1.0	+2.7	+3.3	+3.9	+3.5	+3.7
(±2σ)	±0.4	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3

Group	Dalton Suite	Whundo Group	Whundo Group	Whundo Group	De Grey Supergroup
Formation	Dalton Suite	Whundo Group	Whundo Group	Whundo Group	Opaline Well Intrusion
Age [Ma]	3180	3123	3123	3123	2940
Error [Ma]	10	15	15	15	10
Longitude	n.a.	20°55.196'	20°57.717'	20°56.862'	20°50.816'
Latitude	n.a.	117°04.128'	117°02.232'	117°02.890'	117°47.701'
Rock Type	olivine pyroxenite	basalt	basalt	basalt	gabbroic cumulate
Sample	Pil16-49	Pil16-67	Pil16-73	Pil16-74	Pil16-63
La [ppm]		14.71	6.477	12.66	
Ce [ppm]		39.15	17.09	28.24	
¹³⁸ La/ ¹³⁶ Ce		0.1829	0.1845	0.2182	
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce		1.336829	1.336836	1.337077	
(±2SE, 6th digit)		±26	±27	±35	
εCe _(i)		-0.2	-0.2	-0.3	
(±2σ)		±0.3	±0.3	±0.3	
Sm [ppm]		5.714	3.860	3.252	0.3371
Nd [ppm]		24.26	12.33	14.42	1.469
¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd		0.1423	0.1893	0.1363	0.1387
¹⁴³ Nd/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd		0.511610	0.512593	0.511488	0.511486
(±2SE, 6th digit)		±8	±9	±7	±28
εNd _(i)		+1.7	+2.0	+1.8	-0.6
(±2σ)		±0.6	±0.6	±0.6	±0.6
Lu [ppm]	0.1627	0.4696	0.6004	0.3847	0.04665
Hf [ppm]	0.7850	3.525	3.125	2.942	0.3396
¹⁷⁶ Lu/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	0.02941	0.01891	0.02727	0.01855	0.01950
¹⁷⁶ Hf/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	0.282580	0.281956	0.282494	0.281961	0.281972
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±9	±6	±9	±49	±8
εHf _(i)	+1.8	+1.9	+3.2	+2.8	-0.6
(±2σ)	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3	±1.8	±0.3

Group	De Grey Supergroup	De Grey Supergroup	De Grey Supergroup	Cal	lina Supersui	te
Formation	Bookingarra Group	Bookingarra Group	Mount Negro Volcanics	Nort	h Shaw Tona	lite
Age [Ma]	2946	2946	2931		2851	
Error [Ma]	15	15	20		10	
Longitude	20°43.372'	20°43.054'	20°59.936'		21°21.290'	
Latitude	117°51.616'	117°52.056'	117°33.440'		119°27.321'	
Rock Type	ultramafic cumulate	spinifex	basalt		tonalite	
		pyroxenite				
Sample	Pil16-064	Pil16-65	Pil16-75	Pil16-34	duplicate ^d	average
La [ppm]		5.997	8.528			
Ce [ppm]		11.16	17.83			
¹³⁸ La/ ¹³⁶ Ce		0.2615	0.2328			
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce		1.337480	1.337193			
(±2SE, 6th digit)		±11	±10			
εCe _(i)		+0.6	-0.1			
(±2σ)		±0.3	±0.3			
Sm [ppm]	0.4290	0.9761	1.886	9.592		
Nd [ppm]	1.755	4.219	8.190	67.08		
¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.1478	0.1398	0.1392	0.08638		
¹⁴³ Nd/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.511575	0.511444	0.511519	0.510141		
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±33	±17	±16	±8		
εNd _(i)	-2.3	-1.9	-0.2	+0.7		
(±2σ)	±0.7	±0.6	±0.6	±0.6		
Lu [ppm]	0.06986	0.1439	0.2214	0.1914	0.1925	0.1920
Hf [ppm]	0.4188	0.9521	1.712	3.336	3.625	3.480
¹⁷⁶ Lu/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	0.02368	0.02145	0.01835	0.008141	0.007536	0.007838
¹⁷⁶ Hf/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	0.282202	0.282050	0.281927	0.281040	0.281032	0.281036
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±9	±6	±7	±5	±6	±5
εHf _(i)	-0.8	-1.7	0.0	-1.2	0.0	-0.6
(±2σ)	±0.4	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3

Group	Fortescue Group	Fortescue Group	Fortescue Group	Fortescue	Fortescue Group
Formation	Black Bange	leerinah	leerinah	Group Hardey	leerinah
Formation	Dolerite	Formation	Formation	Formation	Formation
Age [Ma]	2772	2630	2630	2760	2630
Frror [Ma]	10	10	10	15	10
Longitude	21°26.823'	23°13.741'	23°12,986'	21°19.882'	23°14.319'
Latitude	119°32.209'	117°44.846'	117°47.570'	119°36.015'	117°48.292'
Rock Type	dolerite	gabbro	dolerite	shale	dolerite
Sample	Pil16-31	201474	201483	Pil16-38	201487
La [ppm]	13.66	2.877	3.785	38.06	3.220
Ce [ppm]	27.31	7.842	9.532	68.08	8.544
¹³⁸ La/ ¹³⁶ Ce	0.2435	0.1786	0.1933	0.2721	0.1834
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce	1.337276	1.336804	1.336902	1.337369	1.336802
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±25	±13	±11	±21	±10
εCe _(i)	+0.2	-0.2	-0.1	-0.5	-0.4
(±2σ)	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3
Sm [nnm]	2 560	1 750	1 960	5 /02	1 023
Nd [ppm]	11 72	5.600	6.428	28 45	6 1 2 7
¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0 1320	0.1866	0.428	0 1167	0.127
¹⁴³ Nd/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.511316	0.512568	0.512546	0.510973	0.512680
(+2SE, 6th digit)	+8	+15	+22	+8	+24
εNd _(i)	-2.8	+2.0	+2.3	-4.2	+3.1
(±2σ)	±0.6	±0.6	±0.6	±0.6	±0.6
Lu [ppm]	0.2752	0.1354	0.1488	0.3836	0.1273
Hf [ppm]	2.151	0.7136	0.7494	3.442	0.7034
¹⁷⁶ Lu/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	0.01816	0.02692	0.02818	0.01581	0.02569
¹⁷⁶ Hf/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	0.281890	0.282577	0.282642	0.281775	0.282528
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±7	±6	±7	±6	±7
εHf _(i)	-2.7	+4.6	+4.6	-2.5	+5.0
(±2σ)	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3

Group	Fortescue Group	Fortescue Group	Fortescue
Formation	leerinah	leerinah	leerinah
	Formation	Formation	Formation
Age [Ma]	2630	2630	2630
Error [Ma]	10	10	10
Longitude	23°13.604'	23°13.549'	23°12.572'
Latitude	117°47.623'	117°47.549'	117°47.593'
Rock Type	dolerite	dolerite	dolerite
Sample	201496	201497	201476
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La [ppm]	3.471	4.423	18.39
Ce [ppm]	8.401	12.15	38.62
¹³⁸ La/ ¹³⁶ Ce	0.2011	0.1772	0.2318
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce	1.336961	1.336794	1.337181
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±13	±11	±14
εCe _(i)	-0.1	-0.2	+0.2
(±2σ)	±0.3	±0.3	±0.3
		0 - 10	
Sm [ppm]	1.575	2.740	3.814
Nd [ppm]	5.429	8.807	17.55
¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.1754	0.1881	0.1313
¹⁴³ Nd/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.512405	0.512594	0.511531
(±2SE, 6th digit)	±28	±21	±17
εNd _(i)	+2.6	+2.0	+0.5
(±2σ)	±0.6	±0.6	±0.6
Lu [anna]	0 1006	0 1697	0.0720
Lu [ppiii] Lif [ppm]	0.1090	0.1087	0.0730
пі [ppiii] 176і /177шғ	0.0755	0.9119	0.9019
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(±2SE, 6th digit)	±8	±5	±7
εHf _(i)	+4.2	+4.4	+4.2
(±2σ)	±0.3	±0.2	±0.3

*excluded from further interpretation due to uncertain age.

Duplicate^r repeated measurements.

Duplicate^d duplicate digestions treated with HClO₄.

Duplicate^{r,d} repeated measurements for Ce isotopes and duplicate digestions and measurements for ¹⁷⁶Lu-¹⁷⁶Hf.

All data normalized relative to recent CHUR values (Bouvier et al., 2008; Israel et al., 2019; Willig and Stracke, 2019).

Reference material	BHVO-2	BHVO-2	BHVO-2	BHVO-2	BHVO-2	BHVO-2
Digestion	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6
¹⁷⁶ Hf/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	0.283115	0.283113	0.283116	0.283115	0.28311	
2 SE (last digit)	(7)	(6)	(6)	(7)	(8)	n.d.
εHf	+11.7±0.2	+11.6±0.2	+11.7±0.2	+11.7±0.2	+11.5±0.3	n.d.
Lu [ppm]	0.2718	0.2703	0.2764	0.1075	0.2765	n.d.
Hf [ppm]	4.409	4.373	4.460	1.798	5.214	n.d.
¹⁷⁶ Lu/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	0.008750	0.008772	0.008795	0.008489	0.007527	n.d.
¹⁴³ Nd/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.512997	0.513003	n.d.	0.512991	n.d.	0.512969
2 SE (last digit)	(8)	(13)	n.d.	(8)	n.d.	(16)
εNd	+7.2±0.1	+7.3±0.2	n.d.	+7.1±0.2	n.d.	+6.6±0.3
Sm [ppm]	5.640	5.599	n.d.	5.622	n.d.	5.638
Nd [ppm]	22.78	22.61	n.d.	22.71	n.d.	22.76
¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.1497	0.1497	n.d.	0.1497	n.d.	0.1498
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce	1.336807	1.336816	1.336794	1.336841	1.336792	1.336826
2 SE (last digit)	(11)	(9)	(10)	(8)	(20)	(9)
εCe	-0.7±0.1	-0.6±0.1	-0.8±0.1	-0.4±0.1	-0.8±0.2	-0.5±0.1
La [ppm]	15.37	15.14	n.d.	15.16	15.16	n.d.
Ce [ppm]	37.97	37.47	n.d.	37.64	37.64	n.d.
¹³⁸ La/ ¹³⁶ Ce	0.1965	0.1966	n.d.	0.1961	0.1961	n.d.

All data normalized relative to recent CHUR values (Bouvier et al., 2008; Israel et al., 2019; Willig and Stracke, 2019).

In the following model, equilibrium or fractional crystallization of Mg-Ca perovskite cumulates are formed at 4.4 Ga as a possible source for the decoupling found in ~3.5 Ga Pilbara mafic-ultramafic rocks, assuming a primitive mantle composition (Palme and O'Neill, 2013) as starting composition. It is shown that event over a wide range of crystallizing fractions, neither equilibrium crystallization nor fractional crystallization can reproduce the Hf-Nd-Ce isotope data of these rocks.

Fractional crystallization model Mineral modes	Ferropericlase 0.105	Ca-Pv 0.045	Mg-Pv 0.85													
	Th	ЧN	Та	La	Ce	pN	Zr	Ηf	Sm	Eu	Вd	Ξ	≻	Б	٩Y	Ξ
Ferropericlase ^[1*]	0	0.002	0	0.011	0.016	0.051	0.15	0.076	0.049	0.023	0.07	0.004	0.027	0.04	0.05	0.11
Ca-Pv ^[2]	18	0.25	0.3	9	11	16	e	2.1	20	22	23	1.1	22	21	19	16
Mg-Pv ^[2]	0.005	0.21	0.3	0.011	0.023	0.02	2.5	2.5	0.05	0.09	0.14	0.86	0.55	0.67	1.01	1.21
Fraction Pv-cumulate crystallized	¹³⁸ La/ ¹³⁶ Ce	εCe _(3.5Ga)	¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	εNd _(3.5Ga)	¹⁷⁶ Lu/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	εHf _(3.5Ga)	Zr/Sm									
0.05	0.104	-1.3	0.248	+5.5	0.0265	-5.7	53.2									
0.25	0.110	-1.2	0.236	+4.1	0.0298	-3.6	38.8									
0.45	0.119	-1.1	0.221	+2.4	0.0349	-0.6	25.7									
0.62*	0.128	-1.0	0.207	+0.8	0.0409	+3.0	16.9									
Equilibrium crystallization model	Ferropericlase	Ca-Pv	Mg-Pv	Sum												
Mineral modes	0.105	0.045	0.85	1												
Mineral Phasen	Th	ЧN	Та	La	Ce	Nd	Zr	Ηf	Sm	Eu	Вd	Ξ	≻	ц	γb	Г
Ferropericlase ^[1*]	0	0.002	0	0.011	0.016	0.051	0.15	0.076	0.049	0.023	0.07	0.004	0.027	0.04	0.05	0.11
Ca-Pv ^[2]	18	0.25	0.3	9	11	16	m	2.1	20	22	23	1.1	22	21	19	16
Mg-Pv ^[2]	0.005	0.21	0.3	0.011	0.023	0.02	2.5	2.5	0.05	0.09	0.14	0.86	0.55	0.67	1.01	1.21
Fraction Pv-cumulate crystallized	¹³⁸ La/ ¹³⁶ Ce	εCe _(3.5Ga)	¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	ɛNd _(3.5Ga)	¹⁷⁶ Lu/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	εHf _(3.5Ga)	Zr/Sm									
0.05	0.104	-1.3	0.248	+5.5	0.0269	-5.4	53.3									
0.25	0.110	-1.2	0.237	+4.3	0.0289	-4.2	42.6									
0.45	0.119	-1.1	0.226	+3.0	0.0305	-3.3	35.3									
0.6	0.129	-1.0	0.218	+2.1	0.0314	-2.7	31.2									
If partition coefficients were not av 1* For Ferropericlase, D^{1a} we no significant influence on our moc	vailable from an e ere assumed to b del, since D ^{Nb} , D Th	xperiment e 0 since N and D ^{Ta} ar	;, they were ex b is extremely e significantly	ktrapolatec / incompati higher in C	l using the la ible and they ca-Perovskite	ttice strair could not (Pv) and I	n model a be calcu Mg-Pv.	after (Blu llated af	undy an ter Blun	d Wood dy and	, 1994) Wood, ₁	(1994).	This as	umptic	n will	have
^{2*} 60% of segregating Pv-cumulates ^[1] Walter et al., (2004) ^[2] Corgne et al., (2005)	is considered the	e maximum	ו amount of P	v-segregati	on possible a	as Pv is onl	ly stable	in ~2/3 (of Earth	s mantl	ė.					

0.05 0.25 0.45 0.6	Fraction Pv-cumulate crystallized	Equilibrium crystallization model Mineral modes Mineral Phasen Ferropericlase ^[1*] Ca-Pv ^[2] Mg-Pv ^[2]	Fraction Pv-cumulate crystallized 0.05 0.25 0.45 0.6 ^{2*}	Fractional crystallization model Mineral modes Ferropericlase ^[1*] Ca-Pv ^[2] Mg-Pv ^[2]
0.104 0.110 0.119 0.129	¹³⁸ La/ ¹³⁶ Ce	Ferropericlase 0.105 Th 0 18 0.005	¹³⁸ La/ ¹³⁶ Ce 0.104 0.110 0.119 0.119 0.128	Ferropericlase 0.105 Th 0 18 0.005
-1.3 -1.2 -1.1 -1.0	Е Се (3.5Ga)	Ca-Pv 0.045 Nb 0.002 0.25 0.21	εCe(3.5) -1.3 -1.2 -1.1 -1.1	Ca-Pv 0.045 Nb 0.002 0.25 0.21
0.248 0.237 0.226 0.218	¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	Мg-Рv 0.85 Та 0.3 0.3	¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd 0.248 0.236 0.221 0.207	Mg-Pv 0.85 0 0.3 0.3
+5.5 +4.3 +3.0 +2.1	ENd(3.5Ga)	Sum 1 La 0.011 6 0.011	€Nd(3.5) +5.5 +4.1 +2.4 +0.8	La 0.011 6 0.011
0.0269 0.0289 0.0305 0.0314	¹⁷⁶ Lu/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	Ce 0.016 11 0.023	¹⁷⁶ Lu/ ¹³⁷⁷ Hf 0.0265 0.0298 0.0349 0.0409	Ce 0.016 11 0.023
-5.4 -4.2 -3.3 -2.7	єНf _(3.56а)	Nd 0.051 16 0.02	€Hf(3.5) -5.7 -3.6 -0.6 +3.0	Nd 0.051 16 0.02
53.3 42.6 35.3 31.2	Zr/Sm	Zr 0.15 3	Zr/Sm 53.2 38.8 25.7 16.9	Zr 0.15 3 2.5
		Hf 0.076 2.1 2.5		Hf 0.076 2.1 2.5
		Sm 0.049 20 0.05		Sm 0.049 20 0.05
		Eu 0.023 22 0.09		Eu 0.023 22 0.09
		Gd 0.07 23 0.14		Gd 0.07 23 0.14
		Ti 0.004 1.1 0.86		Ti 0.004 1.1 0.86
		Y 0.027 22 0.55		Y 0.027 22 0.55
		Er 0.04 21 0.67		Er 0.04 21 0.67
		Yb 0.05 19 1.01		Yb 0.05 (19 1.01
		Lu 0.11 16		Lu J.11 16 1.21

In the following, two mantle residues are formed at 4.2 Ga that will later individually mix with upwelling primitive mantle. Here, the composition of the melts with strongly decoupled Hf-Nd isotope compositions are reproduced. This model assumes a primitive mantle composition (Palme and O'Neill, 2013) as starting composition.

Deep melting of primitive mantle Extraction of 15% Batch melt afte	: at 4.2 Ga er ^[1]															
Phase	СРХ	ХЧО	Grt	Ю												
Abundance	0.1	0.3	0.05	0.55												
Partition coefficients	Th	qN	Та	La	Ce	ΡN	Zr	Hf	Sm	Eu	дd	Dγ	≻	Er	٩Y	Lu
Clinopyroxene ^[2]	0.104	0.007	0.028	0.028	0.059	0.115	0.125	0.208	0.259	0.341	0.422	0.57	0.603	0.64	0.635	0.617
Orthopyroxene ^[3]	0.002	0.004	0.004	0.0031	0.004	0.012	0.024	0.03	0.02	0.009	0.0065	0.011	0.015	0.045	0.08	0.12
Garnet ^[2]	0.0075	0.04	0.08	0.028	0.08	0.222	0.537	0.431	0.537	1.54	4.84	11.5	14.1	18.8	23.2	24.1
Olivine ^[3]	0.00005	0.0005	0.0005	0.0005	0.0005	0.00042	0.0011	0.0011	0.0011	0.0005	0.0011	0.0027	0.0082	0.013	0.02	0.02
	G		pN		Ħ											
Isotope composition at 3.5 Ga:	[mdd]	εCe _(3.5Ga)	[mqq]	εNd _(3.5Ga)	[mdd]	εHf _(3.5Ga)										
Garnet-bearing residual mantle	0.12	-1.2	0.21	16.5	0.08	44.8										
Primitive mantle ^[4]	1.753	0.0	1.341	0.0	0.3014	0.0										

Mixing of garnet-bearing residual mantle with primitive mantle at 3.5 Ga εHf_(3.5Ga)

FCP/2 FOR FNd/2 FG-1 Fraction of garnet-bearing residual mantle

	0.0 0.0	.3 1.3	0.6 +2.8	1.0 +4.6	1.5 +6.8	2.2 +9.5	3.1 +12.8	4.3 +17.2	5.3 +23.2	9.6 +31.7	.6.5 +44.8
	0	0	Ŧ	+	+	÷	Ŧ	÷	Ŧ	Ŧ	Ŧ
	0.0	0.0	-0.0	-0.0	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.2	-0.3	-0.5	-1.2
mantle	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0

Extraction of 30 to 40% batch me	It from hyb	orid mantle	eat~3.5 Ga	a to from k	comatiites											
Phase	CPx	ОРХ	Grt	⊵												
Abundance	0.1	0.35	0	0.55												
Partition coefficients	τŀ	٩N	Та	La	Ce	Nd	Zr	Ηŕ	Sm	Eu	Gd	Dy	×	Ę	۲b	Ľ
Clinopyroxene ^[2]	0.0059	0.015	0.015	0.03	0.08	0.088	0.274	0.2835	0.299	0.278	0.35	0.4	0.45	0.42	0.45	0.511
Orthopyroxene ^[3]	0.00200	0.00400	0.00400	0.00310	0.00400	0.0120	0.024	0.0300	0.0200	0.019	0.00650	0.0110	0.050	0.045	0.080	0.12
Garnet ^[2]	0.00750	0.04	0.08	0.028	0.08	0.222	0.537	0.431	0.537	1.540	4.84	11.500	14.1	18.8	23.200	24.1
Olivine ^[3]	0.00005	0.0005	0.0005	0.0005	0.0005	0.00042	0.002	0.0022	0.0011	0.001	0.0011	0.0027	0.005	0.013	0.02	0.02
Fraction of batch melt extracted*	τh	ЧN	Та	La	Ce	Nd	Zr	Ħ	Sm	Eu	Gd	Dy	×	Ę	۲b	Ľ
0.2	0.187	1.22	0.0916	1.41	3.74	3.13	24.6	0.728	1.09	0.494	2.13	2.92	16.0	1.86	1.82	0.256
0.3	0.125	0.820	0.0614	0.949	2.53	2.13	17.4	0.515	0.770	0.347	1.50	2.08	11.6	1.36	1.36	0.194
0.4	0.0939	0.616	0.0462	0.714	1.91	1.62	13.4	0.398	0.594	0.268	1.16	1.61	9.17	1.07	1.08	0.157
*No further fractional crystallizati If partition coefficients were not :	ion of the a available fr	scending r om an exp	nelts was r eriment, th	nodelled, s ney were e	since the c extrapolate	rystallizatio ed using the	on of alm e lattice s	ost exclus train moc	sively oliv del after ^{[5}	ine will n	ot have a	n effect o	n the resu	ulting tra	ce	
^[1] Shaw, (1970)																
^[2] Zhang et al., (2013)																
^[3] Salters and Stracke, (2004)																
^[4] Palme and O'Neill, (2013)																

^[4]Blundy and Wood, (1994)

In the following, two mantle residues are formed at 4.2 Ga that will later individually mix with upwelling primitive mantle. Here, the composition of a melt with strongly radiogenic but coupled Hf-Nd isotope composition of sample 179757 is reproduced. This model assumes a primitive mantle composition (Palme and O'Neill, 2013) as starting composition.

Phase	CPX	ХЧО	Вr	Ю												
Abundance	0.35	0.1	0.03	0.52												
Partition coefficients	ТҺ	dN	Та	La	Ce	рŊ	Zr	Ħ	Sm	Eu	Gd	Dy	≻	Еr	γb	Lu
Clinopyroxene ^[2]	0.0059	0.015	0.015	0.03	0.08	0.088	0.204	0.2835	0.299	0.115	0.35	0.4	0.738	0.42	0.45	0.511
Orthopyroxene ^[3]	0.002	0.004	0.004	0.0031	0.004	0.012	0.024	0.03	0.02	0.009	0.0065	0.011	0.015	0.045	0.08	0.12
Garnet ^[2]	0.00005	0.0005	0.0005	0.0005	0.0005	0.00042	0.0011	0.0011	0.0011	0.0005	0.0011	0.0027	0.0082	0.013	0.02	0.02
Olivine ^[3]																
	Ce		pN		Η											
lsotope composition at 3.5 Ga:	[mdd]	εCe(3.5)	[mdd]	εNd(3.5)	[mdd]	εHf(3.5)										
Garnet-bearing residual mantle	0.309	-1.3	0.285	22.6	0.140	17.4										
Primitive mantle ^[4]	1.753	0.0	1.341	0.0	0.301	0.0										

Shallow melting of primitive mantle at 4.2 Ga

Extraction of 15% Batch melt after^[1]

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εHf(3.5)	0.0	0.9	+1.8	+2.9	+4.8	+5.5	+7.1	+9.1	+11.3	+14.0
εNd(3.5)	0.0	0.5	+1.1	+1.9	+3.3	+4.0	+5.5	+7.5	+10.4	+14.9
εCe(3.5)	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.1	-0.2	-0.2	-0.3	-0.4	-0.6	-0.8
on Spinel residual mantle	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9

+17.4

+22.6

-1.3

1.0

Extraction of 30 to 40% batch meli	t from hybr	id mantle :	at ~3.5 Ga	to from ko	matiites											
Phase	СРх	ОРХ	Grt	⊵												
Abundance	0.1	0.35	0	0.55												
Partition coefficients	Τh	٩N	Ta	La	Ce	Nd	Zr	Ŧ	Sm	Eu	Gd	Dy	×	Ψ	۲b	E
Clinopyroxene ^[2]	0.0059	0.015	0.015	0.03	0.08	0.088	0.274	0.2835	0.299	0.278	0.35	0.4	0.45	0.42	0.45	0.511
Orthopyroxene ^[3]	0.00200	0.00400	0.00400	0.00310	0.00400	0.0120	0.024	0.0300	0.0200	0.019	0.00650	0.0110	0.050	0.045	0.080	0.12
Garnet ^[2]	0.00750	0.04	0.08	0.028	0.08	0.222	0.537	0.431	0.537	1.540	4.84	11.500	14.1	18.8	23.200	24.1
Olivine ^[3]	0.00005	0.0005	0.0005	0.0005	0.0005	0.00042	0.002	0.0022	0.0011	0.001	0.0011	0.0027	0.005	0.013	0.02	0.02
Fraction of batch malt extracted*	Ţ	Z	T u	u u		20	7r	Ę	ŝ	<u>-</u>	2	P	<	n r	Ş	Ē
0.2	0.00489	0.0937	0.00786	0.175	1.04	0.947	14.6	0.424	0.640	0.272	1.26	1.85	10.4	1.23	1.22	0.173
0.3	0.00327	0.0628	0.00527	0.117	0.704	0.645	10.3	0.300	0.451	0.191	0.892	1.32	7.57	0.897	0.911	0.131
0.4	0.00246	0.0472	0.00396	0.088	0.532	0.489	7.92	0.232	0.349	0.147	0.689	1.02	5.96	0.706	0.726	0.106
*No further fractional crystallizatio If partition coefficients were not a	on of the as vailable fro	cending m m an expe	elts was m riment, th	odelled, si ey were ex	nce the cry trapolated	/stallization I using the	ו of almc lattice st	ost exclusi rain mod	ively olivir el after ^[5]	ne will nc	ot have an	effect on	the resu	Iting trac	ë	
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Group	lsua Supracrustal Belt							
Subgroup	Southern terrane	Northern terrane	Northern terrane					
Rock Type	peridotite	amphibolite	amphibolite	ultramafic cumulate	TTG	TTG	boninite	boninite
Sample name	10-34	10-17	10-37	10-27	10-38	10-38	462901	462903
Longitude (N)	65° 0'44.7"	65° 2'28.1"	65° 0'21.8"	65° 2'57.9"	65°00' 49.62"	65°00' 49.62"	65°5'60"	65°10'806"
Latitude (W)	50°11'57.9"	50° 13'18.7"	50° 12'26.3"	50°14'15.0"	50°13' 44.64"	50°13' 44.64"	50°	49°47'347"
Age in Ma	3810	3810	3810	3810	3806	3806	3720	3720
Age uncertainty	50	50	50	50	8	8	20	20
Age reference	[1,2,3]	[1,2,3]	[1,2,3]	[1,2,3]	[3]	[3]	[4,5]	[4,5]
Sm [ppm]	0.649	2.029	2.117	0.394	n.d.	n.d.	0.4000	0.6000
Nd [ppm]	1.58	6.326	6.976	1.06	n.d.	n.d.	1.06	1.88
¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.2483	0.1939	0.1834	0.2243	0.1401	0.1401	0.225	0.194
¹⁴³ Nd/ ¹⁴⁴³ Nd	0.513954	0.512667	0.512401	0.5135	0.51129	0.51129	0.513386	0.512683
(±2SE)	0.000005	0.00005	0.00004	0.00004	0.00001	0.00001	0.00006	0.000016
εNd _(i)	+0.1	+1.8	+1.7	+3.1	+1.4	+1.4	+0.8	+2
Err. ɛNd	±0.6	±0.4	±0.5	±0.5	±0.4	±0.4	±0.5	±0.4
Lu [ppm]	0.0688	0.308	0.2458	0.0886	n.d.	n.d.	0.2335	0.2533
Hf [ppm]	0.111	1.747	1.399	0.254	n.d.	n.d.	0.4115	0.7126
¹⁷⁶ Lu/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	0.08789	0.02502	0.02493	0.04944	0.002391	0.002391	0.07986	0.04959
¹⁷⁶ Hf/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	0.286796	0.282185	0.282149	0.284041	0.280498	0.280498	0.286205	0.284166
(±2SE)	0.000013	0.00001	0.000012	0.00007	0.000005	0.00005	0.00004	0.000011
εHf _(i)	+0.3	+1.2	+0.1	+3.1	+0.4	+0.4	+3.3	+8.2
Err. ɛHf	±2.0	±0.5	±0.5	±0.7	±0.4	±0.4	±0.9	±0.5
¹⁴⁷ Sm- ¹⁴³ Nd and	[1]	[1]	[1]	[1]	[11]	[11]	[12]	[12]
^{1/6} Lu- ^{1//} Ht data trom:								

¹⁷⁶ Lu- ¹⁷⁷ Hf data from:	¹⁴⁷ Sm- ¹⁴³ Nd and	Err. εHf	εHf _(i)	(±2SE)	¹⁷⁶ Hf/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	¹⁷⁶ Lu/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	Hf [ppm]	Lu [ppm]	Err. εNd	εNd _(i)	(±2SE)	¹⁴³ Nd/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	Nd [ppm]	Sm [ppm]	Age reference	Age uncertainty	Age in Ma	Latitude (W)	Longitude (N)	Sample name	Rock Type	Subgroup		Group
	[12]	±0.5	+4.5	0.000005	0.284182	0.05125	0.7065	0.2598	±0.9	-0.2	0.000043	0.512912	0.2079	1.71	0.588	[4,5]	20	3720	49°49'364	65°10'368	462948	boninite	Northern terrane	Belt	Isua Supracrustal
	[13]	±0.5	+1.2	0.000005	0.281474	0.01491	1.585	0.1665	±0.4	+1.0	0.000008	0.512304	0.1807	5.799	1.734	[4,5]	20	3718	50°9'7.80"	65°8'21.90"	2000-10	amphibolite	Northern terrane	Belt	Isua Supracrustal
	[13]	±0.5	+0.6	0.000007	0.28141	0.01425	1.517	0.1525	±0.4	+1.0	0.000007	0.51225	0.1786	5.565	1.644	[4,5]	20	3720			2000-5	metabasalt	Northern terrane	Belt	lsua Supracrustal
	[13]	±0.5	+1.8	0.000007	0.281844	0.01983	1.120	0.2123	±0.4	+0.1	0.000008	0.512464	0.1891	6.734	2.106	[4,5]	20	3720			2000-14	meztabasalt	Northern terrane	Belt	Isua Supracrustal
	this study	±0.5	-0.1	0.000021	0.284104	0.05199	0.1246	0.04562	±0.4	+2.7	0.000003	0.511968	0.1635	2.197	0.5943	[4,5]	20	3720	49°47'495"	65°10'650"	S33	ultramafic cumulate	Northern terrane	Belt	Isua Supracrustal
	[1]	±0.4	+3.9	0.00009	0.282955	0.03440	0.120	0.0307	±0.6	+1.9	0.000007	0.513268	0.2168	0.440	0.166	[1]	150	3931	51°28'17.3"	63°58'06.0"	10-09	peridotite		Body	Narssaq utramafic
	[14]	±0.4	0.0	0.000005	0.280823	0.05991			±0.4	-1.1	0.000012	0.510301	0.1025			[6]	9	3677	50°7'27.3"	64°42'53.88"	JEH 2007-05	TTG	Northern terrane	Belt	lsua Supracrustal
	[14]	±0.4	0.0	0.000007	0.280858	0.006757			±0.4	+1.5	0.000011	0.510716	0.1151			[7]	10	3715			229403	ΠG	Northern terrane	Belt	lsua Supracrustal
Group	lsua Supracrustal Belt	lsua Supracrustal Belt	lsua Supracrustal Belt	inner Ameralik Fjord Region	inner Ameralik Fjord Region	inner Ameralik Fjord Region																			
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Subgroup	Ameralik Dyke	Ameralik Dyke	Ameralik Dyke			Proterozoic dyke																			
Rock Type	amphibolite	amphibolite	amphibolite	amphibolite	amphibolite	dyke																			
Sample name	10-41	SG 03	JEH 2007-04	496419	496437	499304																			
Longitude (N)	65° 6'36.72"	65°5'50.82''	65°5'50.82"																						
Latitude (W)	50° 9'57.78"	50°7'32.64	50°7'32.64																						
Age in Ma	3421	3421	3421	2970	2970	2000																			
Age uncertainty	34	34	34	28	28																				
Age reference	[8]	[8]	[8]	[10]	[10]																				
Sm [ppm]	2.525	2.211	2.034	1.367	3.887	4.582																			
[mdd] pN	7.849	6.786	6.116	4.492	13.08	19.3																			
¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.1945	0.1970	0.2010	0.1840	0.1797	0.1435																			
¹⁴³ Nd/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.512719	0.512777	0.512839	0.512465	0.512433	0.511947																			
(±2SE)	0.00004	0.000004	0.000004	0.000005	0.000005	0.00005																			
εNd _(i)	+2.4	+2.4	+1.9	+1.4	+2.4	+0.2																			
Err. ɛNd	±0.4	±0.4	±0.4	±0.4	±0.4	±0.4																			
Lu [ppm]	0.4112	0.3520	n.d.	0.2584	0.5475	0.4452																			
Hf [ppm]	1.987	1.680	n.d.	0.9832	3.487	3.764																			
¹⁷⁶ Lu/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	0.02937	0.02974	n.d.	0.03731	0.02228	0.01679																			
¹⁷⁶ Hf/ ¹⁷⁷ Hf	0.282578	0.282612	n.d.	0.283103	0.282298	0.282167																			
(±2SE)	0.00001	0.00001	n.d.	0.00006	0.000007	0.00007																			
εHf _(i)	+2.6	+2.9	n.d.	+3.8	+5.6	+0.8																			
Err. ɛHf	±0.4	±0.4	n.d.	±0.4	±0.5	±0.4																			
¹⁴⁷ Sm- ¹⁴³ Nd and	this study	this study	this study	[16]	[16]	this study																			
¹⁷⁶ Lu- ¹⁷⁷ Hf data from:																									

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	peridotite	amphibolite	amphibolite	ultramafic cumulate	DШ	ЭШ	boninite
	10-34	10-17	10-37	10-27	10-38	10-38	462901
	65° 0'44.7"	65° 2'28.1"	65° 0'21.8"	65° 2'57.9"	65°00' 49.62"	65°00' 49.62"	65°5'60"
	50°11'57.9"	50° 13'18.7"	50° 12'26.3"	50°14'15.0"	50°13' 44.64"	50°13' 44.64"	50°
	3810	3810	3810	3810	3806	3806	3720
nty	50	50	50	50	8	8	20
J	[1,2,3]	[1,2,3]	[1,2,3]	[1,2,3]	[3]	[3]	[4,5]
	10	11	6	6	6	12	10
	25	18	6	30	13	25	5
	+12.9	+12.3	+13.6	+13.2	+11.8	+13.2	+9.5
	±2.3	±2.7	±1.4	±1.8	±1.6	±1.1	±6.6
	+3389.9	+1086.5	-1526.0	+2658.2	-1518.9	-1525.8	+2156.7
	±2.1	±2.3	±2.7	±3.3	±3.2	±2.2	±6.6
	+3.8	+2.3	+0.9	-0.6	-0.1	+1.8	+4.3
	±2.6	±2.1	±1.4	±2.6	±2.5	±1.6	±3.2
	+2.0	-0.1	+1.5	+1.2	+1.6	+1.8	+1.7
	±1.8	±3.0	±1.9	±2.5	±3.2	±1.8	±5.0
	-10.0	+2.1	-9.2	-5.9	-3.0	-8.7	-8.3
	±4.3	±4.4	±3.7	±6.8	±5.9	±1.9	±13.4
	+14.7	+11.8	+14.8	+13.4	+12.0	+14.8	+10.1
	±2.8	±5.3	±2.5	±2.9	±4.0	±2.1	±5.8
	+3390.3	+1087.9	-1525.4	+2659.0	-1518.9	-1525.0	+2157.8
	±2.1	±3.2	±3.1	±2.9	±4.9	±2.7	±6.6
	+2.7	+2.3	-0.3	-0.6	-0.2	+0.4	+2.8
	±2.9	±1.9	±1.4	±2.4	±3.2	±1.2	±3.2
	-3.7	+0.3	-2.7	-2.2	-2.9	-3.4	-3.2
	±3.5	±5.9	±3.8	±4.9	±6.4	±3.6	±9.9
	-12.5	+0.9	-14.7	-8.7	-3.8	-14.1	-9.8
	±4.4	±9.8	±4.9	±5.4	±7.2	±4.0	±16.9

95 c.i. μ ¹⁵⁰ Nd (6/4) 95 c.i.	95 c.i. μ ¹⁴⁸ Nd (6/4)	μ ¹⁴⁵ Nd (6/4)	95 c.i.	μ ¹⁴³ Nd (6/4)	95 c.i.	µ ¹⁴² Nd (6/4)	95 c.i.	μ ¹⁵⁰ Nd (8/4)	95 c.i.	μ ¹⁴⁶ Nd (8/4)	95 c.i.	μ ¹⁴⁵ Nd (8/4)	95 c.i.	μ ¹⁴³ Nd (8/4)	95 c.i.	µ ¹⁴² Nd (8/4)	V [¹⁴² Nd]	z	Age reference	Age uncertainty	Age in Ma	Latitude (W)	Longitude (N)	Sample name	Rock Type	Subgroup	Group
±4.4 -11.8 ±5.1	±3.9 -1.6	+9.7	±2.7	+1441.3	±2.5	+10.1	±5.9	-8.6	±2.2	+0.9	±4.1	+9.9	±2.9	+1440.2	±1.8	9.9+	27	9	[4,5]	20	3720	49°49'364	65°10'368	462948	boninite	Northern terrane	Isua Supracrustal Belt
t3.8 5.5	±1.9 -2.4	+0.1	±2.0	+371.4	±2.7	+11.4	±3.7	-5.6	±1.9	+1.3	±2.0	+0.7	±1.8	+371.5	±2.9	+10.6	21	10	[4,5]	20	3718	50°9'7.80"	65°8'21.90"	2000-10	amphibolite	Northern terrane	Isua Supracrustal Belt
±3.9 -7.5 ±3.1	±1.8 +1.1	+0.0	±2.8	+211.7	±2.7	+9.0	±4.9	-10.6	±2.0	-0.4	±2.6	-0.1	±2.0	+211.8	±2.6	+9.2	28.93	10	[4,5]	20	3720			2000-5	metabasalt	Northern terrane	Isua Supracrustal Belt
±3.2 -11.1 ±2.9	±1.5 -5.1	-0.9	±1.7	+687.9	±2.0	+12.4	±3.8	-4.3	±1.7	+2.6	±1.8	+0.3	±1.6	+686.1	±2.1	+10.0	31.24	11	[4,5]	20	3720			2000-14	metabasalt	Northern terrane	Isua Supracrustal Belt
±13.3 -15.8 ±13.3	±7.7 +0.2	+0.1	±6.4	-308.4	±5.7	+9.6	±37.7	-10.9	±9.2	-1.5	±16.6	+1.6	±7.6	-309.1	±4.2	+9.3	12	ω	[4,5]	20	3720	49°47'495"	65°10'650"	S33	ultramafic cumulate	Northern terrane	Isua Supracrustal Belt
±3.4 -9.3 ±5.4	±1.7 -2.0	+1.9	±2.2	+2254.2	±1.9	+12.3	±3.7	-8.2	±1.6	+0.7	±1.9	+2.1	±1.9	+2253.2	±2.2	+11.6	28	11	[1]	150	3931	51°28'17.3"	63°58'06.0"	10-09	peridotite		Narssaq utramafic Body
±4.3 ±5.5	±2.1 -0.7	+2.0	±2.6	-3528.1	±3.0	+11.5	±3.7	-3.6	±2.1	+0.5	±2.1	+2.0	±2.6	-3528.2	±2.2	+10.4	33	11	[6]	9	3677	50°7'27.3"	64°42'53.88"	JEH 2007-05	TTG	Northern terrane	Isua Supracrustal Belt
±4.2 -5.9 ±5.5	±1.6 +0.1	+3.2	±2.1	-2785.6	±3.4	+12.7	±3.1	-6.7	±2.1	+0.0	±1.8	+3.1	±2.7	-2785.7	±2.9	+12.0	34	11	[7]	10	3715			229403	TTG	Northern terrane	Isua Supracrustal Belt

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Group	lsua Supracrustal Belt	lvisaartoq Supra- crustal Belt	lvisaartoq Supra- crustal Belt					
Subgroup	Ameralik Dyke							
Rock Type	amphibolite	metagabbro						
Sample name	10-41	10-41	SG 03	SG 03	JEH 2007-04	JEH 2007-04	499325	499328
Longitude (N)	65° 6'36.72"	65° 4'27.72"	65°5'50.82''	65° 6'36.72"	65°5'50.82"	65° 4'27.72"	64°44'46.08"	64°44'53.94"
Latitude (W)	50° 9'57.78"	50° 9'8.40"	50°7'32.64	50° 9'57.78"	50°7'32.64	50° 9'8.40"	49°51'20.16"	49°51'50.7"
Age in Ma	3421	3421	3421	3421	3421	3421	3075	3075
Age uncertainty	34	34	34	34	34	34	15	15
Age reference	[8]	[8]	[8]	[8]	[8]	[8]	[6]	[6]
z	12	12	11	12	11	11	10	12
V [¹⁴² Nd]	36	31	36	31	33	31	35	31
μ ¹⁴² Nd (8/4)	+4.2	+3.7	+3.2	+3.2	+4.5	+4.0	+5.9	+4.8
95 c.i.	±1.3	±1.9	±1.6	±2.1	±1.6	±1.6	±2.1	±0.9
μ ¹⁴³ Nd (8/4)	+893.0	+1160.5	+1273.7	+1274.3	+1410.8	+1416.2	+851.6	+813.4
95 c.i.	±2.1	±2.3	±2.3	±2.2	±1.6	±1.8	±1.1	±1.6
μ ¹⁴⁵ Nd (8/4)	+4.1	+3.1	+4.3	+1.3	+4.8	+2.6	+4.2	+1.6
95 c.i.	±1.2	±2.4	±2.1	±1.3	±1.8	±1.1	±2.0	±2.4
μ ¹⁴⁶ Nd (8/4)	+1.1	+3.0	+0.8	-0.7	+2.2	+1.4	+0.5	+1.1
95 c.i.	±1.2	±1.0	±0.9	±1.2	±1.3	±1.2	±1.2	±1.4
μ ¹⁵⁰ Nd (8/4)	-8.1	-4.9	-5.0	0.6-	-14.6	-10.3	-9.3	-8.0
95 c.i.	±3.1	±2.8	±2.5	±3.9	±2.3	±3.7	±3.4	±3.6
µ ¹⁴² Nd (6/4)	+4.8	+6.7	+4.1	+2.5	+6.6	+5.5	+5.3	+5.4
95 c.i.	±1.5	±1.3	±2.1	±1.8	±1.7	±1.5	±2.3	±2.0
μ ¹⁴³ Nd (6/4)	+893.4	+1162.1	+1274.2	+1273.6	+1412.3	+1417.8	+852.0	+813.5
95 c.i.	±2.0	±2.1	±2.5	±2.0	±1.8	±1.7	±1.7	±2.0
μ ¹⁴⁵ Nd (6/4)	+3.6	+1.8	+4.3	+2.0	+4.0	+2.2	+3.7	+0.9
95 c.i.	±1.6	±2.4	±1.9	±1.5	±1.8	±1.2	±1.9	±2.0
μ ¹⁴⁸ Nd (6/4)	-2.0	-5.7	-1.4	+1.7	-4.2	-2.5	-0.9	-2.0
95 c.i.	±2.3	±2.0	±1.8	±2.5	±2.6	±2.4	±2.4	±2.8
μ ¹⁵⁰ Nd (6/4)	-9.3	-13.4	-7.8	-6.2	-21.8	-13.7	-10.8	-10.4
95 c.i.	±3.3	±1.9	±2.9	±3.0	±2.9	±2.5	±3.6	±3.7

Group	inner Ameralik Fjord Region			
Subgroup			Proterozoic dyke	Proterozoic dyke
Rock Type	amphibolite	amphibolite	dyke	dyke
Sample name	496419	496437	499304	499304
Longitude (N)				
Latitude (W)				
Age in Ma	2970	2970	2000	2000
Age uncertainty	28	28	0	0
Age reference	[10]	[10]		
z	12	11	12	12
V [¹⁴² Nd]	23	27	30	30
μ ¹⁴² Nd (8/4)	+3.4	+3.5	+3.8	+2.7
95 c.i.	±1.6	±2.0	±1.8	±2.2
μ ¹⁴³ Nd (8/4)	+648.0	+588.1	-324.2	-325.6
95 c.i.	±1.5	±2.0	±1.0	±2.7
μ ¹⁴⁵ Nd (8/4)	+0.0	+1.0	+2.4	+0.8
95 c.i.	±2.2	±2.3	±1.6	±1.7
μ ¹⁴⁶ Nd (8/4)	+0.6	+1.1	+1.8	+0.4
95 c.i.	±2.5	±1.7	±2.0	±1.8
μ ¹⁵⁰ Nd (8/4)	-10.1	-1.8	-8.5	-4.7
95 c.i.	±3.3	±2.4	±3.5	±1.7
μ ¹⁴² Nd (6/4)	+4.0	+4.9	+5.5	+2.4
95 c.i.	±2.3	±3.8	±2.8	±3.0
μ ¹⁴³ Nd (6/4)	+648.4	+588.5	-322.9	-326.0
95 c.i.	±2.1	±2.2	±1.7	±2.3
μ ¹⁴⁵ Nd (6/4)	+0.0	+0.9	+0.9	+1.2
95 c.i.	±2.1	±2.6	±1.9	±2.0
μ ¹⁴⁸ Nd (6/4)	-0.9	-2.0	-3.3	-0.6
95 c.i.	±4.9	±3.5	±3.9	±3.6
μ ¹⁵⁰ Nd (6/4)	-11.9	-4.6	-13.5	-5.3
95 c.i.	±4.9	±6.2	±3.3	±4.3

Type	modern rocks	modern rocks	modern rocks	modern rocks	modern rocks	single element solutions	single element solutions	single element solutions	single element solutions	single element solutions	single element solutions
Rock Type Sample name	basalt IBL-2	basalt Ei27	basalt BHVO-2	basalt BHVO-2	basalt 52 JG 1	- La Jolla	- Aldrich chemical company Nd	- Aldrich chemical company Nd	- Aldrich chemical company Nd	- Pr-doped JNdi (1:10)	- Pr-doped JNdi (33:225)
Digestion	ı	·		ı	·						
z	12	13	11	11	11	11	14	11	10	14	10
V [¹⁴² Nd]	37	18	36	33	37	33	34	35	26	28	36
μ ¹⁴² Nd (8/4)	+1.0	+0.9	+1.0	-0.2	-0.4	+2.6	-0.2	-3.2	-0.9	+1.3	+0.7
95 c.i.	±1.9	±2.9	±1.8	±2.1	±1.4	±2.5	±1.0	±1.5	±3.6	±2.2	±2.7
μ ¹⁴³ Nd (8/4)	+2118.6	+1372.4	+1703.2	+1704.5	+520.3	-503.7	-1175.3	-1176.5	-1174.4	+0.4	+0.3
95 c.i.	±1.7	±2.7	±1.3	±1.8	±1.5	±3.4	±1.1	±2.0	±5.5	±1.5	±1.7
μ ¹⁴⁵ Nd (8/4)	+1.2	-1.7	+1.4	+4.0	+1.0	-5.7	+0.4	-0.4	+2.5	-2.0	+0.1
95 c.i.	±1.0	±2.5	±1.8	±2.0	±1.4	±2.1	±1.2	±2.2	±4.7	±1.8	±1.4
μ ¹⁴⁶ Nd (8/4)	+0.1	-0.7	+2.1	+2.5	-0.5	-3.2	+1.2	+1.1	+1.1	-1.8	-0.4
95 c.i.	±1.7	±2.3	±1.5	±1.0	±1.3	±2.7	±0.8	±1.5	±2.6	±1.5	±2.7
μ ¹⁵⁰ Nd (8/4)	-4.0	-1.3	-10.0	-8.0	-5.6	+13.3	+0.7	+3.5	+2.9	+8.1	+2.9
95 c.i.	±4.0	±4.2	±2.6	±2.9	±2.0	±4.3	±2.5	±4.5	±5.9	±2.7	±3.5
μ ¹⁴² Nd (6/4)	+0.6	+0.8	+2.4	+3.1	-0.7	+0.4	+0.7	-1.2	-0.2	-0.7	+0.1
95 c.i.	±2.2	±3.3	±2.2	±2.1	±1.6	±2.1	±1.4	±2.3	±3.6	±2.7	±1.1
μ ¹⁴³ Nd (6/4)	+2118.6	+1372.4	+1704.7	+1705.6	+519.9	-505.4	-1174.8	-1176.2	-1174.0	-0.8	0.0+
95 c.i.	±1.4	±2.9	±1.4	±1.6	±1.8	±4.2	±1.3	±1.2	±5.7	±2.0	±1.9
μ ¹⁴⁵ Nd (6/4)	+1.3	-0.7	+0.4	+2.4	+1.4	-4.0	+0.1	-1.1	+2.1	-0.8	+0.8
95 c.i.	±1.1	±2.5	±1.3	±2.1	±1.4	±1.5	±1.2	±2.3	±5.3	±1.7	±2.3
μ ¹⁴⁸ Nd (6/4)	+0.1	+1.5	-4.0	-4.8	+1.3	+6.6	-2.2	-2.1	-2.1	+3.5	+0.7
95 c.i.	±3.3	±4.5	±2.9	±2.0	±2.5	±5.3	±1.6	±3.0	±5.2	±3.0	±5.4
μ ¹⁵⁰ Nd (6/4)	-2.5	+3.1	-14.7	-15.7	-2.5	+21.2	-2.1	-2.1	+0.3	+13.6	+6.3
95 c.i.	±4.6	±6.7	±4.1	±2.7	±4.8	±6.0	±3.4	±6.3	±7.9	±4.5	±5.9

95 c.i.	μ ¹⁵⁰ Nd (6/4)	95 c.i.	μ ¹⁴⁸ Nd (6/4)	95 c.i.	μ ¹⁴⁵ Nd (6/4)	95 c.i.	μ ¹⁴³ Nd (6/4)	95 c.i.	μ ¹⁴² Nd (6/4)	95 c.i.	μ ¹⁵⁰ Nd (8/4)	95 c.i.	μ ¹⁴⁶ Nd (8/4)	95 c.i.	μ ¹⁴⁵ Nd (8/4)	95 c.i.	μ ¹⁴³ Nd (8/4)	95 c.i.	μ ¹⁴² Nd (8/4)		V/ [142 NI J]	z	Digestion	name	Sample	Rock Type		Туре
±7.4	-0.2	±4.4	+0.4	±2.8	-1.5	±5.4	+0.7	±5.1	+0.6	±4.7	-3.7	±2.2	-0.2	±2.7	-1.6	±4.5	+1.6	±3.6	+1.8	20	00	11		(33:225)	Pr-doped JNdi		solutions	single element
±7.9	+0.3	±5.2	-2.1	±5.3	+2.1	±5.7	-1174.0	±3.6	-0.2	±5.9	+2.9	±2.6	+1.1	±4.7	+2.5	±5.5	-1174.4	±3.6	-0.9	C	Э С	10		(33:225)	Pr-doped JNdi		solutions	single element
±5.7	-0.4	±4.3	-2.8	±3.2	+0.8	±4.3	+2.5	±3.9	+1.6	±4.7	+1.5	±2.1	+1.4	±3.2	+0.9	±5.1	+3.7	±3.0	+1.4	5	00	11		(75:500)	Pr-doped JNdi		solutions	single element
±5.4	-7.4	±2.8	+0.8	±1.5	+0.2	±1.9	+1539.2	±2.5	+2.0	±3.7	-7.3	±1.4	-0.3	±1.2	+0.7	±1.6	+1539.3	±1.8	+1.4	5	70	13	#1		11=23 LP-1	basalt	rocks	modern
±5.8	-4.3	±3.3	-2.7	± 1.1	+1.4	±2.2	+1538.4	±2.8	+3.5	±2.7	-2.8	±1.7	+1.5	± 1.1	+1.8	±1.7	+1538.2	±1.2	+1.4	30	20	13	#1		10-23 LP-1	basalt	rocks	modern
±2.9	-2.1	±2.2	-2.8	±2.3	+0.6	±2.8	+1536.7	±2.1	+1.4	±3.4	+1.2	± 1.1	+1.5	±2.5	+0.7	±2.7	+1535.8	±1.6	-0.3	U L	2	12	#2		35 LP-1	basalt	rocks	modern
±4.5	+0.9	±2.9	+2.7	±2.1	-1.5	±2.2	+1536.1	±2.7	-0.6	±3.4	+0.8	±1.4	-1.3	± 1.6	-1.8	±1.7	+1536.2	±1.8	-0.6	23	20	12	#3		47 LP-1	basalt	rocks	modern
±4.9	+0.6	±3.3	-2.6	±3.2	+0.6	±3.8	+1537.4	±5.0	+0.3	±7.9	+0.3	±1.7	+1.4	±2.7	+0.4	±3.2	+1537.1	± 4.1	-0.3	5	20	9	#3		47 LP-1	basalt	rocks	modern
±8.8	+0.8	±6.8	+1.7	±3.0	+2.2	±5.2	+1534.0	±6.5	+0.1	±5.6	-2.6	±3.4	-0.8	±3.9	+1.8	±4.0	+1534.2	±4.4	+0.4	4 1	۲ ر	7	#3		47 LP-1	basalt	rocks	modern
±5.3	+1.6	±3.2	-0.8	±1.9	-0.3	±2.6	+1533.1	±2.6	+1.7	±4.7	+3.0	±1.6	+0.5	±2.1	+0.2	±2.5	+1532.3	±1.8	+0.2	20	21	11	#3		47 LP-1	basalt	rocks	modern
±4.6	-15.8	±2.8	-2.3	±2.4	+3.1	±1.8	+1541.5	±2.0	+2.2	±1.6	-13.2	±1.4	+1.3	±1.9	+4.1	±1.4	+1541.0	±2.1	+1.1	ţ	10	9	#4		11 60 LP-1	basalt	rocks	modern

Type	modern rocks											
Rock Type	basalt											
Sample name	60 LP-1	60 LP-1	71 LP-1	71 LP-1	83 LP-1	95 LP-1	95 LP-1	95 LP-1				
Digestion	#4	#4	#5	#5	9#	9#	9#	9#	9#	#7	#7	#7
z	11	12	12	8	12	11	12	12	Ŋ	10	11	12
V [¹⁴² Nd]	28	29	38	32	39	37	38	38	37	34	36	31
μ ¹⁴² Nd (8/4)	+0.1	-0.4	+0.2	+1.0	+0.2	+0.1	+0.3	+1.1	+0.1	-0.2	-0.2	+0.4
95 c.i.	±2.3	±2.3	±2.0	±3.5	±4.2	±1.8	±2.1	±3.9	±2.6	±1.5	±2.4	±2.4
μ ¹⁴³ Nd (8/4)	+1536.7	+1537.0	+1539.2	+1541.3	+1527.7	+1533.0	+1532.1	+1533.8	+1536.9	+1537.1	+1534.8	+1525.8
95 c.i.	±2.4	±1.6	±1.7	±5.8	±8.5	±4.8	±4.8	±11.7	±3.7	±2.8	±2.5	±5.2
μ ¹⁴⁵ Nd (8/4)	+2.2	+2.2	+0.2	+1.1	-1.7	+0.8	6.0-	-1.0	-0.1	+2.5	+2.5	-2.8
95 c.i.	±1.8	±2.0	±1.2	±3.5	±5.2	±3.5	±2.5	±6.0	±2.4	±1.7	±1.9	±3.5
μ ¹⁴⁶ Nd (8/4)	+0.4	+2.2	+1.3	+1.4	-0.6	+1.0	-1.5	-1.9	-0.4	+1.8	+1.6	-0.4
95 c.i.	±1.6	±1.3	±1.4	±2.6	±1.8	±1.9	±1.8	±1.3	±1.8	±1.4	±1.5	±1.0
μ ¹⁵⁰ Nd (8/4)	-13.4	-8.1	-5.8	-6.9	-4.9	-4.2	-5.9	-10.7	-8.2	-10.1	-11.3	-4.7
95 c.i.	±3.4	±3.1	±2.6	±4.5	±5.6	±4.1	±4.2	±6.1	±6.1	±2.6	±3.3	±4.2
μ ¹⁴² Nd (6/4)	+0.7	+2.3	+1.6	+2.6	+0.0	+1.3	-0.6	-0.5	+0.1	+0.6	+1.3	-0.3
95 c.i.	±3.5	±2.2	±2.6	±4.4	±3.7	±2.3	±2.8	±6.5	±3.4	±2.5	±2.5	±3.4
μ ¹⁴³ Nd (6/4)	+1537.4	+1537.8	+1539.6	+1542.3	+1527.8	+1533.2	+1532.9	+1533.3	+1537.0	+1538.2	+1536.1	+1525.2
95 c.i.	±2.1	±1.9	±1.9	±6.4	±7.8	±5.4	±6.8	±13.0	±4.6	±2.8	±2.7	±5.5
μ ¹⁴⁵ Nd (6/4)	+1.5	+1.1	+0.2	+0.6	-1.7	+0.3	-0.5	-2.5	+0.5	+1.9	+2.2	-4.0
95 c.i.	±1.6	±1.8	±1.9	±3.8	±4.8	±2.9	±2.1	±6.9	±2.1	±1.3	±1.9	±3.0
μ ¹⁴⁸ Nd (6/4)	-0.6	-2.8	-2.4	-2.6	+1.5	-1.8	+3.2	+3.9	+1.1	-3.3	-2.9	+1.0
95 c.i.	±3.1	±2.3	±2.7	±5.2	±3.6	±3.8	±3.7	±2.7	±3.5	±2.8	±3.0	±2.0
μ ¹⁵⁰ Nd (6/4)	-14.9	-14.4	-8.8	-10.3	-4.1	-7.2	-3.4	-6.6	-8.4	-12.9	-15.3	-5.3
95 c.i.	±4.4	±4.9	±5.0	±5.7	±5.2	±5.4	±8.7	±11.2	±8.3	±4.0	±3.2	±4.7

95 c.i. ±2.7 μ ¹⁴⁸ Nd (6/4) +1.0 95 c.i. ±2.9 μ ¹⁵⁰ Nd (6/4) -4.6	95 c.i. ±2.7 μ ¹⁴⁸ Nd (6/4) +1.0 95 c.i. ±2.9	95 c.i. ±2.7 μ ¹⁴⁸ Nd (6/4) +1.0	95 c.i. ±2.7		u ¹⁴⁵ Nd (6/4) -1.8	95 c.i. ±3.3	μ^{143} Nd (6/4) +1530	95 c.i. ±1.6	μ ¹⁴² Nd (6/4) +1.5	95 c.i. ±3.5	μ ¹⁵⁰ Nd (8/4) -5.6	95 c.i. ±1.5	μ ¹⁴⁶ Nd (8/4) -0.4	95 c.i. ±2.9	μ ¹⁴⁵ Nd (8/4) -1.3	95 c.i. ±3.1	μ^{143} Nd (8/4) +1531	95 c.i. ±2.4	μ ¹⁴² Nd (8/4) +0.9	V [¹⁴² Nd] 37	N 12	Digestion #7	name	Sample 95 LP-	Rock Type basal	rocks	Type mode
	-6.7	±2.8	+2.0	±2.2	-0.1	±3.1	.7 +1532.2	±2.0	+1.1	±3.4	-8.8	±1.4	-0.9	±2.3	-0.7	±3.3	.1 +1533.0	±1.8	+1.8	33	12	#7		-1 95 LP-1	lt basalt	s rocks	rn modern
	-6.7	±3.1	-0.3	±2.0	+1.4	±4.1	+1536.8	±3.9	+1.5	±6.6	-6.1	±1.6	+0.3	±1.8	+1.4	±3.4	+1536.5	±4.6	+1.3	35	10	#7		95 LP-1	basalt	rocks	modern
	-5.9	±3.1	+0.2	±1.7	+0.2	±2.6	-557.3	±1.9	+7.6	±3.3	-4.8	±1.6	+0.2	±1.6	+0.7	±2.7	-558.0	±1.7	+8.0	33	12		10-38 mix	BHVO-2+	ı	materials	doped reference
- 4 -	-9.0	±3.0	-0.6	±1.9	+1.5	± 1.6	+182.5	±1.9	+5.9	±2.9	-7.3	±1.5	+0.4	±1.7	+1.7	±2.0	+182.7	±1.8	+5.5	31	11		10-38 mix	BHVO-2+	I	materials	doped reference
L CT	-9.9	±3.2	-0.4	±2.7	+1.0	±2.1	+940.4	±3.6	+1.9	±4.1	-8.4	±1.6	+0.3	±2.6	+1.4	±2.2	+940.2	±1.9	+1.6	32	11		10-38 mix	BHVO-2+	I	materials	doped reference
1 Z T	+6.2	±5.7	+1.7	±2.3	-2.1	±2.7	+0.3	±3.6	-3.2	±8.5	+5.5	±3.1	-2.7	±2.3	-3.3	±2.9	+0.4	±3.4	-0.4	12	12		0.02ppb Sm	400ppb JNdi+	ı	materials	doped reference
ע 0+	+1.3	±7.9	+1.6	±2.3	+1.4	±3.5	-0.3	±3.8	+0.3	±6.0	+1.0	±4.0	-0.8	±2.5	+1.4	±2.9	-0.3	±2.2	+0.4	12	12		0.02ppb Ce	400ppb JNdi+		materials	doped reference

Ľ	16	1	In the following model, equilibrium and fractional crystallization of Mg-Ca percyskite cumulates are calculated to account for a possible source for
Чb	19	0.8	isotope and trace element systematics of the ~3.7 to 3.8 Ga Isua rocks, assuming a primitive mantle composition (Palme and O'Neill, 2013) as
Er	21	0.55	starting composition, assuming a differentiation event that occurred at 4.53 Ga (Labrosse et al., 2007). It is shown that event over a wide range of
>	22	0.49	neither equilibrium crystallization nor fractional crystallization can reproduce trace element and isotope characteristics of the investigated
Gd	23	0.17	rocks. Partition coefficients for Ca and Mg-Pv from (Corgne et al., 2005). FC refers to fractional crystallization and EC refers to equilibrium
Ħ	1.1	0.0	crystallization. Elemental compositions are given as ppm.
Eu	22	0.1	^[1] Corgne et al., (2005)
Sm	20	0.07	
H	2.1	1.8	
Zr	æ	1.7	
Nd	16	0.023	
Ce	11	0.015	
Га	9	0.007	
Та	0.3	0.36	
qN	0.25	0.25	
Тh	18	0.006	
partition coefficient	Ca-Pv ^[1]	Mg-Pv ^[1]	

0.6	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.0	4% Ca-perovskite Fraction fractional	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.0	2% Ca-perovskite Fraction fractional
		-				0	crystallization	0,		-				G	crystallization
0.079	0.075	0.071	0.068	0.066	0.063	0.062	Th	0.056	0.048	0.043	0.039	0.036	0.033	0.032	Th
0.296	0.250	0.218	0.194	0.176	0.161	0.155	Nb	0.296	0.250	0.218	0.194	0.176	0.161	0.155	Nb
0.028	0.024	0.021	0.019	0.018	0.016	0.016	Ta	0.028	0.024	0.021	0.019	0.018	0.017	0.016	Та
0.336	0.284	0.248	0.221	0.199	0.182	0.175	لم	0.193	0.159	0.135	0.118	0.105	0.095	0.091	La
1.31	1.16	1.05	0.97	0.90	0.84	0.82	Ce	0.83	0.70	0.61	0.54	0.49	0.45	0.43	Ce
1.21	1.12	1.06	1.00	0.96	0.92	0.90	Nd	0.84	0.72	0.64	0.58	0.53	0.49	0.48	Nd
9.06	10.7	12.3	13.8	15.3	16.7	17.4	Zr	9.14	10.7	12.3	13.7	15.1	16.5	17.1	Zr
0.260	0.311	0.361	0.409	0.456	0.501	0.524	Η	0.260	0.311	0.361	0.408	0.455	0.500	0.522	Ηf
0.426	0.413	0.403	0.395	0.388	0.382	0.380	Sm	0.331	0.294	0.267	0.246	0.229	0.215	0.209	Sm
0.166	0.165	0.165	0.164	0.163	0.163	0.163	Eu	0.137	0.123	0.113	0.106	0.099	0.094	0.092	Ēu
4740	4643	4566	4502	4447	4399	4377	Ħ	4736	4636	4555	4489	4431	4382	4359	⊒
0.588	0.599	0.608	0.616	0.623	0.629	0.632	Gd	0.517	0.475	0.444	0.419	0.399	0.382	0.374	Gd
4.046	4.375	4.663	4.922	5.158	5.375	5.478	~	4.089	4.017	3.959	3.910	3.869	3.833	3.816	~
0.457	0.497	0.531	0.562	0.590	0.616	0.629	Ē,	0.466	0.462	0.459	0.456	0.453	0.451	0.450	Ē.
0.450	0.506	0.557	0.604	0.648	0.690	0.710	۲b	0.478	0.496	0.511	0.524	0.536	0.546	0.551	۲b
0.065	0.075	0.083	0.091	0.099	0.106	0.110	Ε	0.070	0.075	0.079	0.083	0.086	0.089	0.091	E

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7% Ca-perovskite Fraction fractional crystallization	тһ	qN	Та	La	Ce	pN	Zr	Hf	Sm	Eu	ï	Gd	~	E	dҮ	L
0.05	0.106	0.155	0.016	0.300	1.39	1.52	17.7	0.526	0.62	0.26	4405	1.00	7.83	0.88	0.94	0.14
0.1	0.104	0.161	0.016	0.310	1.41	1.51	17.0	0.503	0.61	0.25	4425	0.95	7.42	0.84	0.88	0.13
0.2	0.101	0.176	0.018	0.331	1.44	1.48	15.5	0.457	0.57	0.24	4470	0.87	6.60	0.75	0.78	0.11
0.3	0.098	0.194	0.019	0.358	1.48	1.46	13.9	0.410	0.54	0.22	4522	0.79	5.78	0.65	0.68	0.10
0.4	0.094	0.218	0.021	0.391	1.53	1.42	12.3	0.361	0.50	0.20	4582	0.70	4.96	0.56	0.57	0.08
0.5	0.089	0.250	0.024	0.434	1.60	1.39	10.7	0.311	0.46	0.18	4655	0.61	4.13	0.47	0.47	0.07
0.6	0.084	0.296	0.028	0.493	1.68	1.34	8.94	0.259	0.42	0.15	4745	0.51	3.31	0.38	0.37	0.06
10% Ca-perovskite																
Fraction fractional crystallization	Η	qN	Та	La	Ce	рq	Zr	Hf	Sm	Eu	⊨	Gd	≻	ц	γb	Lu
0.05	0.147	0.155	0.016	0.423	1.94	2.11	18.1	0.529	0.8	0.4	4432	1.3	10.0	1.1	1.2	0.2
0.1	0.141	0.161	0.016	0.432	1.93	2.04	17.3	0.505	0.8	0.3	4452	1.2	9.2	1.0	1.1	0.2
0.2	0.128	0.176	0.018	0.452	1.90	1.89	15.7	0.458	0.7	0.3	4494	1.0	7.6	0.9	0.9	0.1
0.3	0.115	0.194	0.019	0.477	1.87	1.74	14.0	0.410	0.6	0.2	4542	0.9	6.1	0.7	0.7	0.1
0.4	0.102	0.218	0.021	0.506	1.84	1.58	12.3	0.361	0.5	0.2	4598	0.7	4.7	0.5	0.5	0.1
0.5	0.088	0.250	0.024	0.544	1.80	1.41	10.6	0.310	0.4	0.2	4666	0.5	3.5	0.4	0.4	0.1
0.6	0.073	0.296	0.028	0.594	1.76	1.23	8.81	0.258	0.3	0.1	4750	0.4	2.4	0.3	0.3	0.0

0.6 0.0	0.5 0.0	0.4 0.0	0.3 0.0	0.2 0.0	0.1 0.0	0.05 0.0	4% Ca-perovskite Fraction equilibrium crystallization T	0.6 0.0	0.5 0.0	0.4 0.0	0.3 0.0	0.2 0.0	0.1 0.0	0.05 0.0	2% Ca-perovskite Fraction equilibrium crystallization T
074 0)71 0)69 0	0 79()65 0)63 0)62 0	Ъ,)50 0.)45 0)42 0)38 0)36 0)33 0)32 0	Ъ,
.270	.238	.213	.192	.175	.161	.155	Np	.270	.238	.213	.192	.175	.161	.155	Np
0.025	0.023	0.021	0.019	0.018	0.016	0.016	Та	0.025	0.023	0.021	0.019	0.018	0.016	0.016	Та
0.308	0.270	0.241	0.218	0.198	0.182	0.175	La	0.182	0.154	0.133	0.117	0.105	0.095	0.091	La
1.18	1.10	1.02	0.952	0.894	0.842	0.819	Ce	0.761	0.666	0.593	0.534	0.486	0.445	0.428	Ce
1.11	1.07	1.03	0.988	0.952	0.919	0.903	Nd	0.759	0.684	0.623	0.572	0.529	0.492	0.475	Nd
12.4	13.1	13.9	14.7	15.7	16.8	17.4	Zr	12.4	13.0	13.8	14.6	15.5	16.6	17.2	Zr
0.367	0.388	0.412	0.439	0.470	0.505	0.525	Hf	0.367	0.388	0.412	0.438	0.469	0.504	0.523	Hf
0.410	0.404	0.398	0.393	0.387	0.382	0.379	Sm	0.299	0.277	0.259	0.242	0.228	0.215	0.209	Sm
0.165	0.164	0.164	0.164	0.163	0.163	0.163	Ēu	0.124	0.116	0.110	0.104	0.099	0.094	0.092	Ēu
4611	4567	4523	4480	4438	4397	4377	≓	4603	4556	4511	4466	4422	4379	4358	≓
0.604	0.609	0.614	0.619	0.624	0.629	0.632	Gd	0.473	0.451	0.431	0.413	0.396	0.381	0.374	Gd
4.608	4.746	4.892	5.047	5.212	5.388	5.481	×	3.992	3.958	3.926	3.894	3.862	3.831	3.816	×
0.525	0.541	0.559	0.577	0.597	0.618	0.629	ę	0.461	0.459	0.457	0.455	0.453	0.451	0.450	Ę
0.554	0.577	0.602	0.630	0.660	0.693	0.711	۲b	0.506	0.514	0.521	0.530	0.538	0.547	0.551	۲b
0.0833	0.0872	0.0914	0.0960	0.101	0.107	0.110	E	0.0780	0.0801	0.0822	0.0845	0.0869	0.0894	0.0907	E

fraction equilibrium crystallization	Тh	qN	Та	La	Ce	pN	Zr	Ηf	Sm	Eu	Ħ	Вd	≻	Ъ	γb	Lu
0.05	0.106	0.155	0.016	0.300	1.39	1.52	17.7	0.527	0.622	0.264	4404	1.00	7.85	0.885	0.940	0.138
0.1	0.105	0.161	0.016	0.309	1.40	1.51	17.1	0.507	0.609	0.256	4423	0.961	7.50	0.845	0.894	0.131
0.2	0.102	0.175	0.018	0.329	1.44	1.49	15.9	0.471	0.583	0.241	4462	0.897	6.87	0.776	0.815	0.120
0.3	0.100	0.192	0.019	0.352	1.47	1.47	14.9	0.440	0.559	0.229	4502	0.841	6.35	0.717	0.749	0.110
0.4	0.097	0.213	0.021	0.378	1.50	1.45	14.0	0.413	0.537	0.217	4542	0.792	5.89	0.666	0.693	0.102
0.5	0.095	0.238	0.023	0.409	1.54	1.43	13.2	0.389	0.517	0.207	4582	0.748	5.50	0.623	0.644	0.0952
0.6	0.093	0.270	0.025	0.444	1.58	1.41	12.5	0.368	0.498	0.197	4624	0.709	5.16	0.584	0.602	0.0891
10% Ca-perovskite																
Fraction equilibrium crystallization	ЧL	qN	Та	La	Ce	рq	Zr	Ηf	Sm	Eu	Ξ	Вd	≻	Ъ	γb	Lu
0.05	0.147	0.155	0.016	0.423	1.94	2.11	18.1	0.530	0.852	0.358	4432	1.34	10.1	1.13	1.16	0.165
0.1	0.142	0.161	0.016	0.431	1.93	2.05	17.4	0.509	0.811	0.338	4450	1.25	9.37	1.05	1.08	0.154
0.2	0.132	0.175	0.017	0.450	1.91	1.93	16.2	0.473	0.740	0.303	4486	1.11	8.21	0.922	0.945	0.136
0.3	0.123	0.192	0.019	0.470	1.89	1.83	15.1	0.442	0.680	0.275	4523	1.00	7.31	0.822	0.842	0.122
0.4	0.116	0.213	0.021	0.492	1.87	1.74	14.2	0.414	0.629	0.252	4560	0.908	6.58	0.742	0.759	0.111
0.5	0.109	0.238	0.022	0.516	1.85	1.66	13.3	0.390	0.586	0.232	4598	0.832	5.99	0.676	0.691	0.101
0.6	0.103	0.270	0.025	0.542	1.83	1.58	12.6	0.368	0.548	0.215	4637	0.767	5.50	0.621	0.634	0.0932

7% Ca-perovskite fraction equilibrium crysta

10% Ca-Pv	7% Ca-Pv	4% Ca-Pv	2% Ca-Pv	50% Fractional crystallization	10% Ca-Pv	7% Ca-Pv	4% Ca-Pv	2% Ca-Pv	20% Fractional crystallization	10% Ca-Pv	7% Ca-Pv	4% Ca-Pv	2% Ca-Pv	5% Fractional crystallization
-2.4	-0.8	+0.3	+0.2	εHf _{3.8Ga}	+2.8	+1.0	-1.3	-3.3	єНf _{3.8}	+5.1	+1.7	-1.9	-4.4	εHf _{3.8Ga}
-1.2	+0.5	+2.5	+4.7	ϵ^{143} Nd _{3.8Ga}	+2.8	+3.6	+4.6	+6.1	ϵ^{143} Nd _{3.8}	+4.5	+4.8	+5.5	+6.6	ε ¹⁴³ Nd _{3.8Ga}
-0.5	-0.7	-0.9	-1.0	εCe _{3.8Ga}	-0.9	-1.0	-1.0	-1.1	εCe _{3.8}	-1.1	-1.1	-1.1	-1.1	εCe _{3.8Ga}
-15.0	+6.0	+32.2	+59.9	μ^{142} Nd	+36.2	+45.9	+59.3	+78.0	μ^{142} Nd	+57.7	+62.0	+70.0	+84.9	μ^{142} Nd
10% Ca-Pv	7% Ca-Pv	4% Ca-Pv	2% Ca-Pv	50% Equilibrium crystallization	10% Ca-Pv	7% Ca-Pv	4% Ca-Pv	2% Ca-Pv	20% Equilibrium crystallization	10% Ca-Pv	7% Ca-Pv	4% Ca-Pv	2% Ca-Pv	5% Equilibrium crystallization
+1.6	+0.6	-0.9	-2.1	εHf _{3.8Ga}	+3.6	+1.2	-1.5	-3.6	٤Hf _{3.8Ga}	+5.2	+1.7	-1.9	-4.4	εHf _{3.8Ga}
+1.6	+2.1	+3.1	+4.6	ε ¹⁴³ Nd _{3.8Ga}	+3.3	+3.8	+4.7	+6.1	ε ¹⁴³ Nd _{3.8Ga}	+4.5	+4.9	+5.5	+6.6	ε ¹⁴³ Nd _{3.8Ga}
-0.7	-0.8	-0.9	-1.0	εCe _{3.8Ga}	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0	-1.1	εCe _{3.8Ga}	-1.1	-1.1	-1.1	-1.1	εCe _{3.8Ga}
+21.0	+27.1	+39.2	+59.2	μ ¹⁴² Nd	+42.5	+49.0	+60.1	+77.8	μ^{142} Nd	+58.2	+62.2	+70.0	+84.9	μ ¹⁴² Nd

In the following, the diminishing of ¹⁴²Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd anomalies is modelled by assuming continuous replenishment of the Isua mantle source with bulk silicate Earth material, either represented by primitive mantle (1) (Palme and O'Neill, 2013), SCHEM (2) (Caro and Bourdon, 2010) or SDEM (3) material (Chapter III). For models (1), (2) and (3), the most realistic replenishment rate amounted to 22, 30 and 26%, respectively. For trace element modelling, the composition of sample 10-27 (van de Löcht et al., 2020) was used to represent the uncontaminated Isua mantle.

SDEM					
replenish	ment rate:	0.26 / 100 M	а		
	Isua	SDEM	replenishe	ed Isua m	antle
Age in					
Ga	¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	$\mu^{142}Nd$	εNd _(3.8)
>3.8	0.2270	0.2045			
3.8			0.2270	+13.1	+2.6
3.7			0.2195	+8.7	+2.3
3.6			0.2148	+6.0	+2.1
3.5			0.2118	+4.2	+2.0
3.4			0.2097	+3.0	+2.0
3.3			0.2083	+2.2	+1.9
3.2			0.2072	+1.6	+1.9
3.1			0.2065	+1.2	+2.0
3.0			0.2060	+0.8	+2.0
2.9			0.2056	+0.6	+2.0
2.8			0.2053	+0.5	+2.1
2.7			0.2051	+0.3	+2.2
2.6			0.2050	+0.2	+2.3
2.5			0.2048	+0.2	+2.3
2.4			0.2048	+0.1	+2.4
2.3			0.2047	+0.1	+2.5
2.2			0.2047	+0.1	+2.6
2.1			0.2046	+0.1	+2.7
2.0			0.2046	+0.0	+2.8
1.9			0.2046	+0.0	+2.9

SCHEM					
		0.3 / 100			
replenis	hment rate:	Ma			
	Isua	SCHEM	replenishe	ed Isua m	antle
Age in					
Ga	¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	$\mu^{142}Nd$	εNd _(3.8)
>3.8	0.2235	0.2025			
3.8			0.2154	+13.0	+2.3
3.7			0.2025	+8.0	+2.1
3.6			0.2108	+5.2	+2.0
3.5			0.2080	+3.4	+1.9
3.4			0.2062	+2.3	+1.9
3.3			0.2050	+1.6	+1.9
3.2			0.2043	+1.1	+1.9
3.1			0.2037	+0.8	+2.0
3.0			0.2033	+0.5	+2.0
2.9			0.2031	+0.4	+2.0
2.8			0.2029	+0.3	+2.1
2.7			0.2028	+0.2	+2.2
2.6			0.2027	+0.1	+2.2
2.5			0.2026	+0.1	+2.3
2.4			0.2026	+0.1	+2.4
2.3			0.2026	+0.0	+2.5
2.2			0.2025	+0.0	+2.5
2.1			0.2025	+0.0	+3.0
2.0			0.2025	+0.0	+3.4
1.9			0.2025	+0.0	+3.8

PRIMA					
Replenishm	ent rate:	0.20 / 100 M	а		
	Isua	PRIMA	Replenishe	ed Isua m	antle
Age in Ga	¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	$\mu^{142}Nd$	εNd _(3.8)
>3.8	0.231	0.196			
3.8			0.2310	+13.2	+2.5
3.7			0.2226	+9.5	+2.1
3.6			0.2168	+7.1	+1.8
3.5			0.2126	+5.4	+1.6
3.4			0.2095	+4.2	+1.4
3.3			0.2070	+3.3	+1.2
3.2			0.2051	+2.7	+1.0
3.1			0.2036	+2.1	+0.9
3.0			0.2023	+1.7	+0.8
2.9			0.2013	+1.4	+0.7
2.8			0.2005	+1.1	+0.6
2.7			0.1998	+0.9	+0.5
2.6			0.1992	+0.8	+0.5
2.5			0.1987	+0.6	+0.4
2.4			0.1983	+0.5	+0.3
2.3			0.1980	+0.4	+0.3
2.2			0.1977	+0.4	+0.3
2.1			0.1974	+0.3	+0.2
2.0			0.1972	+0.2	+0.2
1.9			0.1971	+0.2	+0.2

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SDEM ^[1]	0.0526	0.386	0.0279	0.499	1.37	0.214	1.10	8.48	0.250	0.371	0.144	1107	0.511	0.0955	0.652	3.75	0.428	0.442	0.0657
3.8 Ga Isua source ^[2]	0.0110	0.0603	0.00265	0.0961	0.256	0.0463	0.211	0.586	0.0224	0.0832	0.0352	180	0.142	0.0261	0.169	0.766	0.0980	0.102	0.0139
3.7 Ga Isua source (replenished)	0.0218	0.145	0.00922	0.201	0.546	0.0898	0.441	2.64	0.0815	0.158	0.0634	421	0.238	0.0441	0.294	1.54	0.184	0.190	0.0274
3.6 Ga Isua source (replenished)	0.0298	0.208	0.0141	0.279	0.761	0.122	0.6112	4.16	0.125	0.213	0.0842	599	0.309	0.0575	0.387	2.12	0.247	0.256	0.0373
3.5 Ga Isua source (replenished)	0.0357	0.254	0.0177	0.336	0.920	0.146	0.74	5.28	0.158	0.254	0.0997	731	0.361	0.0674	0.456	2.54	0.295	0.304	0.0447
3.4 Ga Isua source (replenished)	0.0401	0.288	0.0203	0.379	1.0379	0.163	0.830	6.11	0.182	0.284	0.111	829	0.400	0.0747	0.507	2.86	0.329	0.340	0.0502
Isua source replenished by																			
PRIMA ^[3]	0.0849	0.595	0.043	0.683	1.75	0.266	1.34	10.3	0.301	0.435	0.167	1280	0.586	0.108	0.724	4.13	0.468	0.477	0.0708
3.8 Ga Isua source ^[2]	0.0110	0.0603	0.00265	0.0961	0.256	0.0463	0.211	0.586	0.0224	0.0832	0.0352	180	0.142	0.0261	0.169	0.766	0.0980	0.102	0.0139
3.7 Ga Isua source (replenished)	0.0236	0.151	0.00951	0.196	0.510	0.0836	0.403	2.24	0.0698	0.143	0.0575	367	0.217	0.0399	0.263	1.34	0.161	0.166	0.0236
3.6 Ga Isua source (replenished)	0.0340	0.227	0.0152	0.279	0.722	0.115	0.563	3.61	0.109	0.193	0.0760	522	0.280	0.0514	0.342	1.81	0.213	0.219	0.0316
3.5 Ga Isua source (replenished)	0.0426	0.289	0.0199	0.348	0.897	0.140	0.695	4.75	0.142	0.234	0.091	651	0.332	0.0610	0.407	2.21	0.257	0.263	0.0383
3.4 Ga Isua source (replenished)	0.0498	0.341	0.0239	0.405	1.04	0.162	0.805	5.69	0.169	0.268	0.104	758	0.375	0.0689	0.461	2.53	0.293	0.299	0.0438
^[1] SDFM composition from Chante	Ē																		

SUPERI Composition from Chapter III.

^[2]Composition of sample 10-22 from (van de Löcht et al., 2020). ^[3]Primitive mantle composition from (Palme and O'Neill, 2013). Appendix A2

Appendix A3

sample name	15058	15065.189	15495	15545.103	15556	15495	15555
classification	low Ti basalt						
rock type	basalt	coarse gabbro	porphyric basalt	basalt	basalt	porphyric basalt	basalt
Li	7.18	7.19	7.82	6.64	7.22	7.59	6.50
Sc	42.0	46.0	41.0	37.8	41	40.3	35.7
V	160	186	157	190	201	151	186
Cr	2616	4410	2678	3368	3533	2420	3307
Со	36.6	44.8	38.9	48.0	43.6	39.1	48.3
Ni	27.4	47.3	34.5	58.6	50.5	35.5	66.5
Cu	7.87	10.9	8.02	15.0	9.21	7.87	10.6
Zn	11.6	9.61	10.9	10.6	13.8	9.39	6.73
Ga	3.50	3.50	3.75	3.35	3.74	3.66	3.15
Rb	0.961ª	1.38ª	1.20 ^a	0.870ª	0.900ª	1.12ª	0.717 ^a
Sr	110 ^a	96.5ª	120 ^a	94.0 ^a	106 ^a	115ª	91.9 ^a
Y	29.0	41.0	31.4	23.3	25.6	32.1	20.3
Zr-ID	97.8 ^b	139.3 ^b	110.2 ^b	84.57 ^b	89.04 ^b	110.2 ^b	70.09 ^b
Nb-ID	6.620 ^b	139.3 ^b	6.799 ^b	6.150 ^b	6.381 ^b	6.799 ^b	5.006 ^b
Мо	0.118	0.0732	0.0741	0.113	0.078	0.0611	0.0782
Cd	n.d.						
Sn	n.d.						
Sb	n.d.						
Cs	0.0603	0.0885	0.0692	0.0611	0.0539	0.0607	0.0547
Ва	67.7	96.2	76.2	50.5	55.4	74.6	43.6
La-ID	6.178°	8.812°	7.094 ^c	4.723°	4.995°	7.227°	3.988°
Ce-ID	16.84°	24.18 ^c	19.25°	12.94°	13.93°	19.55°	11.07 ^c
Pr	2.52	3.63	2.86	1.98	2.15	2.90	1.68
Nd-ID	12.80 ^c	18.53°	14.47 ^c	10.29 ^c	11.03 ^c	14.72°	8.610 ^c
Sm-ID	4.062 ^c	5.880 ^c	4.544 ^c	3.409°	3.712 ^c	4.618 ^c	2.851°
Eu	1.00	1.06	1.09	0.876	0.971	1.07	0.797
Gd	4.99	7.14	5.49	4.16	4.53	5.53	3.52
Tb	0.884	1.25	0.958	0.735	0.814	0.968	0.630
Dy	5.63	7.95	6.1	4.74	5.18	6.24	4.00
Но	1.13	1.59	1.24	0.935	1.02	1.24	0.800
Er	2.99	4.18	3.23	2.45	2.68	3.28	2.10
Tm	0.431	0.596	0.459	0.35	0.378	0.457	0.301
Yb	2.73	3.75	2.87	2.19	2.40	2.91	1.89
Lu-ID	0.3836 ^b	0.5276 ^b	0.417ª	0.3049 ^b	0.3255 ^b	0.4086 ^b	0.2668 ^b
Hf-ID	2.761 ^b	3.959 ^b	3.071 ^b	2.534 ^b	2.667 ^b	3.071 ^b	2.087 ^b
Ta-ID	0.3662 ^b	0.5220 ^b	0.3805 ^b	0.3741 ^b	0.3915 ^b	0.3805 ^b	0.3042 ^b
W-ID	0.05918 ^b	0.08946 ^b	0.06917 ^b	0.08102 ^b	0.08821 ^b	0.06917 ^b	0.06328 ^b
ті	0.0351	0.0298	0.0357	0.043	0.0339	0.0219	0.0276
Pb	0.265	0.372	0.358	0.253	0.262	0.319	0.195
Th-ID	12.00 ^b	9.778 ^b	12.32 ^b	14.19 ^b	10.60 ^b	8.367 ^b	9.437 ^b
U-ID	0.1498 ^b	0.2158 ^b	0.1693 ^b	0.1324 ^b	0.1544 ^b	0.1693 ^b	0.1120 ^b

sample name	12004	12022	12051	12053	12054	12063	NWA 6950
classification	low Ti basalt	low Ti basalt	low Ti basalt	low Ti basalt	low Ti basalt	low Ti basalt	lunar meteorite
rock type	olivine-basalt	ilmenite-basalt	ilmenite-basalt	pigeonite-basalt	ilmenite-basalt	ilmenite-basalt	
Li	7.46	8.65	8.51	7.79	9.27	8.40	6.51
Sc	43.3	51.7	55.7	49.4	58.5	52.4	26.5
V	154	140	131	155	111	136	125
Cr	2816	2709	1887	2349	1410	2477	2415
Со	42.5	44.0	30.6	32.1	24.7	39.6	73.1
NI	45.0	39.0	11.9	11.5	4.08	30.5	1/4
Cu Zn	7.05	8.58	9.23	7.77	10.4	8.07	3.40
Zn	11.0	0.92	8.67	7.79	10.3	0.51	15.5
Ga	3.21	3.73	3.81	3.5	4.44	3.70	1.88
Rb	1.25ª	0.899ª	0.934ª	1.24ª	1.15ª	0.840 ^a	0.972ª
Sr	107 ^a	150 ^a	138ª	114 ^a	171 ^a	150 ^a	51.9ª
Y	38.2	51.6	46.6	40.8	62.0	48.6	22.4
Zr-ID	114.3 ^b	120.8 ^b	120.7 ^b	122.2 ^b	153.3 ^b	115.4 ^b	83.06 ^b
Nb-ID	7.783 ^b	6.676 ^b	7.669 ^b	8.502 ^b	8.914 ^b	6.616 ^b	4.973 ^b
Mo	0.0699	0.059	0.0790	0.0699	0.0615	0.0614	0.0789
Cd	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.
Sn	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.
Sb	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.
Cs	0.0701	0.0565	0.0591	0.0724	0.0767	0.0568	0.0554
Ва	73.7	61.7	62.4	76.3	81.9	58.5	92.9
La-ID	6.486 ^c	5.679°	5.914°	6.741 ^c	7.524 ^c	5.402°	5.325°
Ce-ID	17.95°	17.25°	17.16 ^c	18.64°	22.35°	16.31°	14.06 ^c
Pr	2.74	2.87	2.75	2.83	3.62	2.70	2.02
Nd-ID	13.82 ^c	15.89°	14.79°	14.69°	19.73°	15.02 ^c	9.572°
Sm-ID	4.649 ^c	5.957c	5.364 ^c	5.000 ^c	7.229 ^c	5.603°	2.858 ^c
Eu	0.983	1.36	1.22	1.04	1.57	1.33	0.256
Gd	5.96	7.84	6.93	6.24	9.36	7.27	3.45
Тb	1.10	1.47	1.31	1.16	1.76	1.39	0.627
Dy	7.29	9.87	8.84	7.81	11.9	9.31	4.12
Ho	1.50	2.03	1.83	1.60	2.44	1.93	0.877
Er	4.10	5.52	5.00	4.35	6.63	5.21	2.45
im Vb	0.599	0.811	0.738	0.641	0.96	0.769	0.369
	3.90	5.28	4.77	4.10	0.28	5.02	2.41
Lu-ID	0.5563	0.7601	0.6894	0.6061	0.9021	0.7273	0.3436
Hf-ID	3.488 ^b	4.290 ^b	4.039 ^b	3.764 ^b	5.305 ^b	4.101 ^b	2.108 ^b
Ta-ID	0.4062 ^b	0.3591 ^b	0.4269 ^b	0.4460 ^b	0.4993 ^b	0.3759 ^b	0.2104 ^b
W-ID	0.1152 ^b	0.08806 ^b	0.1268 ^b	0.1218 ^b	0.1229 ^b	0.08500 ^b	0.09266 ^b
ТΙ	0.0290	0.0353	0.0274	0.0276	0.0306	0.0274	0.0316
Pb	0.387	0.294	0.318	0.397	0.406	0.266	0.363
Th-ID	9.226 ^b	9.474 ^b	9.737 ^b	9.861 ^b	9.727 ^b	9.660 ^b	9.601 ^b
U-ID	0.2599 ^b	0.1818 ^b	0.2077 ^b	0.2718 ^b	0.2552 ^b	0.1724 ^b	0.2434 ^b

sample name	60025	67075	10020	79035	79135	10017.395	10020.25
classification	ferroan anorthosite	ferroan anorthosite	high Ti basalt				
rock type	anorthosite	anorthosite	olivine basalt	soil-breccia	breccia-regolith	vesicular basalt	olivine basalt
Li	1.44	2.56	8.95	9.48	10.6	17.2	8.79
Sc	0.631	8.65	88.9	52.0	43.6	81.0	79.7
V	5.87	18.7	86.3	89.2	86.1	64.0	91.8
Cr	29.3	314	2641	2788	2766	2163	2181
Со	1.36	6.76	19.4	36.3	39.5	25.2	17.1
Ni	1.84	5.11	3.02	198	163	5.70	2.71
Cu	1.93	0.671	11.9	23.8	29.3	11.3	10.2
Zn	1.95	6.21	27.9	60.4	106	28.4	11.7
Ga	3.69	2.92	4.09	6.16	9.23	5.70	3.73
Rb	0.0883ª	0.539ª	0.776 ^a	1.83ª	2.15ª	5.98ª	0.913 ^a
Sr	218ª	155ª	148ª	171ª	188ª	174 ^a	141ª
Y	0.297	2.27	85.0	61.3	59.4	173	78.2
Zr-ID	0.1411 ^b	3.927 ^b	201.0 ^b	181.9 ^b	189.7 ^b	490.9 ^b	204.3 ^b
Nb-ID	0.02957 ^b	0.2552 ^b	17.46 ^b	15.81 ^b	14.98 ^b	30.42 ^b	19.91 ^b
Mo	0.0387	0.0438	0.0586	0.0851	0.0736	0.130	0.0858
Cd	0.0454	0.0312	0.309	0.301	0.388	n.d.	n.d.
Sn	0.0513	0.0661	0.0811	0.172	0.0959	n.d.	n.d.
Sb	0.0145	0.0155	0.0474	0.0447	0.0587	n.d.	n.d.
Cs	0.0043	0.0383	0.043	0.0896	0.109	0.194	0.0522
Ва	12.8	8.79	68.9	108	128	302	69.2
La-ID	0.4230°	0.3526 ^c	7.238 ^c	8.324 ^c	9.946°	25.70 ^c	7.581 ^c
Ce-ID	0.8927 ^c	0.8781 ^c	22.52 ^c	23.75°	27.67°	74.05 ^c	24.08 ^c
Pr	0.114	0.133	3.89	3.75	4.16	11.6	3.91
Nd-ID	0.4594 ^c	0.6044 ^c	22.43 ^c	19.66 ^c	21.06 ^c	60.71°	23.08 ^c
Sm-ID	0.09895°	0.1946 ^c	8.716 ^c	7.010 ^c	7.169 ^c	21.27 ^c	8.931 ^c
Eu	1.01	0.676	1.50	1.53	1.62	2.24	1.55
Gd	0.0953	0.278	11.6	8.77	8.87	26.1	11.6
Tb	0.0131	0.0533	2.17	1.62	1.62	4.85	2.18
Dy	0.0663	0.360	14.7	10.8	10.6	32.4	14.8
Но	0.0123	0.0807	3.07	2.22	2.17	6.71	3.08
Er	0.0319	0.238	8.48	6.09	5.85	18.5	8.49
Tm	0.00481	0.0373	1.24	0.894	0.854	2.69	1.25
Yb	0.0353	0.269	8.15	5.79	5.59	17.4	8.21
Lu-ID	0.00316 ^b	0.03603 ^b	1.221 ^b	0.8558 ^b	0.7962 ^b	2.483 ^b	1.235 ^b
Hf-ID	0.003707 ^b	0.1185 ^b	7.188 ^b	5.884 ^b	5.885 ^b	16.34 ^b	7.310 ^b
Ta-ID	0.001284 ^b	0.01254 ^b	1.101 ^b	0.9609 ^b	0.9009 ^b	1.815 ^b	1.127 ^b
W-ID	0.00204 ^b	0.01173 ^b	0.1145 ^b	0.1648 ^b	0.1887 ^b	0.3824 ^b	0.3313 ^b
TI	0.0135	0.00569	0.0177	0.0195	0.0248	0.0563	0.0395
Pb	0.170	0.274	0.619	1.93	2.48	1.31	0.324
Th-ID	0.1445 ^b	0.9187 ^b	1.048 ^b	1.031 ^b	1.027 ^b	13.81 ^b	12.00 ^b
U-ID	0.00016 ^b	0.00872 ^b	0.1743 ^b	0.3152 ^b	0.3676 ^b	0.8581 ^b	0.1805 ^b

sample name	10057.279	74255	74275	75035.24	14163	14305	14310
classification	high Ti basalt	high Ti basalt	high Ti basalt	high Ti basalt	KREEP basalt	KREEP basalt	KREEP basalt
rock type	vesicular basalt	ilmenite-basalt	ilmenite-basalt	ilmenite-basalt	KREEP soil	crystalline breccia	feldspathic basalt
Li	16.7	8.16	8.26	11.0	33.7	33.3	26.8
Sc	77.6	70.3	73.3	73.4	25.8	19.4	20.2
V	61.0	119	123	25.1	51.0	37.2	36.8
Cr	2065	3469	3566	1200	1491	1137	1112
Со	24.8	23.1	20.3	14.1	37.2	33.5	27.5
Ni	6.25	6.96	4.78	0.982	367	327	251
Cu	12.6	10.8	10.6	8.72	14.0	5.44	5.32
Zn	23.4	10.7	14.4	14.6	50.3	12.3	28.1
Ga	5.56	3.50	3.55	5.00	11.1	9.07	5.89
Rb	5.8ª	1.34ª	1.32ª	1.04ª	17.3ª	8.60ª	13.1ª
Sr	171ª	160ª	160ª	231ª	221ª	214ª	201ª
Y	168	80.9	84.2	129	254	292	193
Zr-ID	489.8 ^b	221.0 ^b	233.1 ^b	321.8 ^b	931.1 ^b	1163.2 ^b	817.3 ^b
Nb-ID	30.7 ^b	25.93 ^b	28.63 ^b	32.9 ^b	63.73 ^b	73.56 ^b	51.37 ^b
Мо	0.0745	0.115	0.0699	0.0606	0.272	0.105	0.116
Cd	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	0.998	0.962	0.722
Sn	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	0.117	0.173	0.0768
Sb	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	0.0533	0.0537	0.0481
Cs	0.187	0.072	0.0692	0.0525	0.805	0.390	0.570
Ва	296	71.6	73.1	119	978	970	695
La-ID	25.45°	5.937°	6.234 ^c	8.869°	70.08 ^c	88.59°	57.47°
Ce-ID	73.42°	20.81°	21.70 ^c	30.94°	178.4°	228.9°	148.2°
Pr	11.6	3.86	4.02	5.81	25.8	30.8	19.9
Nd-ID	60.72 ^c	23.17°	24.17 ^c	35.10 ^c	108.0°	140.0 ^c	89.66 ^c
Sm-ID	20.83°	9.445°	9.877°	14.50°	30.67°	38.8 ^c	25.29°
Eu	2.22	1.84	1.87	2.76	2.96	3.12	2.22
Gd	26.1	12.6	13.2	19.4	36.2	42.8	27.8
Tb	4.82	2.35	2.47	3.69	6.48	7.59	4.98
Dy	32.4	15.9	16.6	24.9	42.2	49.1	32.4
Но	6.70	3.23	3.39	5.13	8.72	10.1	6.68
Er	18.4	8.75	9.16	13.9	24.3	28.0	18.6
Tm	2.67	1.27	1.33	2.02	3.57	4.10	2.76
Yb	17.4	8.28	8.7	13.3	23.3	26.6	18.0
Lu-ID	2.487 ^b	1.191 ^b	1.246 ^b	1.932 ^b	3.125 ^b	3.947 ^b	2.582 ^b
Hf-ID	16.23 ^b	8.209 ^b	8.675 ^b	11.6 ^b	23.2 ^b	28.35 ^b	20.10 ^b
Ta-ID	1.815 ^b	1.433 ^b	1.496 ^b	1.935 ^b	2.889 ^b	3.261 ^b	2.305 ^b
W-ID	0.3860 ^b	0.06358 ^b	0.05902 ^b	0.09065b	1.493 ^b	1.279 ^b	1.212 ^b
ТΙ	0.0392	0.0355	0.0343	0.0312	0.0463	0.0234	0.0299
Pb	1.36	0.269	0.248	0.334	12.0	9.30	6.66
Th-ID	11.27 ^b	11.70 ^b	10.69 ^b	9.773 ^b	0.9636 ^b	1.045 ^b	1.031 ^b
U-ID	0.8557 ^b	0.1317 ^b	0.1382 ^b	0.1628 ^b	3.500 ^b	4.328 ^b	2.983 ^b

sample name	65015	72275	73275	68115
classification	KREEP basalt	KREEP basalt	KREEP basalt	KREEP basalt
rock type	impact breccia	polymict Breccia	Impact melt breccia	polymict breccia
Li	19.2	15.4	17.7	10.7
Sc	15.1	48.6	19.0	10.9
V	39.1	131	47.0	29.5
Cr	1197	2994	1486	987
Со	190	33.9	34.2	56.9
Ni	3099	56.6	305	907
Cu	17.5	16.7	4.49	15.7
Zn	11.1	12.7	21.3	32.9
Ga	6.08	5.31	5.72	4.91
Rb	7.80 ^a	14.1ª	5.92ª	5.19 ^a
Sr	168ª	113ª	179 ^a	157ª
Y	152	152	113	84.7
Zr-ID	639.7 ^b	658.1 ^b	486.2 ^b	359.8 ^b
Nb-ID	36.6 ^b	31.02 ^b	29.45 ^b	23.79 ^b
Mo	0.572	0.072	0.122	0.264
Cd	0.566	0.548	0.46	n.d.
Sn	0.129	0.0948	0.142	n.d.
Sb	0.0809	0.0536	0.0577	n.d.
Cs	0.418	0.701	0.217	0.255
Ва	512	415	368	275
La-ID	45.59°	48.37 ^c	31.81 ^c	26.71 ^c
Ce-ID	117.4°	127°	82.24 ^c	69.49°
Pr	15.9	17.3	11.3	9.6
Nd-ID	72.42 ^c	81.06 ^c	51.50°	44.76°
Sm-ID	20.64 ^c	22.4 ^c	14.66 ^c	12.50 ^c
Eu	1.92	1.64	1.93	1.50
Gd	22.3	24.8	16.7	14.0
Tb	3.96	4.20	2.95	2.47
Dy	25.7	26.3	19.2	15.8
Но	5.29	5.3	3.98	3.25
Er	14.7	14.3	11.0	8.92
Tm	2.16	2.01	1.61	1.3
YD	14.0	12.7	10.4	8.42
Lu-ID	2.021 ^b	1.808 ^b	1.507 ^b	1.202 ^b
Hf-ID	15.51 ^b	15.90 ^b	12.17 ^b	8.916 ^b
Ta-ID	1.599 ^b	1.402 ^b	1.431 ^b	0.9736 ^b
W-ID	3.374 ^b	0.9238 ^b	0.5496 ^b	0.5493 ^b
TI	0.0189	0.0196	0.0195	0.0494
Pb	3.83	3.33	3.42	1.88
Th-ID	1.033 ^b	1.030 ^b	1.031 ^b	9.594 ^b
U-ID	1.897 ^b	1.513 ^b	1.389 ^b	1.169 ^b

^atrace element data with uncorrected residual spike that might be slightly too high.

^bisotope dilution data from Thiemens et al., (2019).

^cisotope dilution data from this study, Chapter III.

Sample name	15058	15065.189	15495	15545.103	15556	15495
Classification	low Ti basalts	low Ti basalts	low Ti basalts	low Ti basalts	low Ti basalts	low Ti basalts
Rock type	basalt	coarse gabbro	porphyric basalt	basalt	basalt	porphyric basalt
Age [Ma]	3460	3272	3312	3370	3400	3312
Error [Ma]	40	40	60	150	100	60
Reference	[1]	[2]	[2]	[2]	[3]	[2]
¹³⁸ La/ ¹³⁶ Ce	0.1781	0.1770	0.1790	0.1773	0.1741	0.1795
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce [*]	1.336766	1.336783	1.336770	1.336731	1.336725	1.336788
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce [*]	1.336788	1.336808			1.336775	
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce*	1.336768					
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce (mean ^{*)}	1.336774	1.336796	1.336770	1.336731	1.336750	1.336788
Measurement numbers	3	2	1	1	2	1
2.S.E. (mean 6th digit)	18	19	50	23	15	16
Neutron capture effect [ɛ-deviation]	0.005[20]	n.d.	0.014[20]	n.d.	0.031[20]	n.d.
εCe(t) (NC corrected)	-0.29	-0.09	-0.34	-0.57	-0.27	-0.29
Err. εCe	±0.21	±0.21	±0.21	±0.21	±0.21	±0.21
¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd*	0.1919	0.1918	0.1898	0.2002	0.2035	0.1897
¹⁴³ Nd/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd*	0.512542	0.512512	0.512447	0.512826	0.512808	0.512447
2 S.E. (6th digit)ppm	±8	±10	±9	±9	±9	±11
Neutron capture effect [ɛ-deviation]	-0.11[20]	n.d.	-0.30[20]	n.d.	-0.65[20]	n.d.
εNd(t) (NC corrected)	+0.3	-0.6	-0.6	+2.0	+0.8	-0.9
±2σ ^a	±0.4	±0.5	±0.4	±0.5	±0.4	±0.5

Sample name	15555	12004	12022	12051	12053	1205	54
Classification	low Ti basalts	low Ti basalts	low Ti basalts	low Ti basalts	low Ti basalt	ts low Ti b	asalts
Rock type	basalt	olivine-basalt	ilmenite-basalt i	lmenite-basalt	pigeonite-bas	alt ilmenite-	basalt
Age [Ma]	3312	3282	3180	3252	3170	321	0
Error [Ma]	60	70	40	100	60	150)
Reference	[4]	[5]	[6]	[6]	[7]	estimated fr Apollo 12 lov	om other v Ti basalts
¹³⁸ La/ ¹³⁶ Ce	0.1749	0.1755	0.1599	0.1673	0.1757	0.16	35
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce*	1.336743	1.336718	1.336573	1.336686	1.336715	1.336	541
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce [*]	1.336746	1.336756	1.336579	1.336702	1.336749	1.336	518
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce (mean ^{*)}	1.336745	1.336737	1.336576	1.336694	1.336732	1.336	63
Measurement numbers	2	2	2	2	2	2	
2.S.E. (mean 6th digit)	17	18	19	86	28	17	
Neutron capture effect [ɛ-deviation]	0.002[20]	0.000[20]	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d	
εCe(t) (NC corrected)	-0.35	-0.44	-0.78	-0.30	-0.52	-0.5	8
Err. εCe	±0.21	±0.21	±0.21	±0.64	±0.21	±0.2	2
¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd*	0.2002	0.2034	0.2268	0.2194	0.2059	0.22	15
¹⁴³ Nd/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd*	0.512822	0.513021	0.513834	0.513568	0.513067	0.513	564
2 S.E. (6th digit)ppm	±8	±8	±9	±9	±8	±10)
Neutron capture effect [ε-deviation]	-0.04[20]	-0.01[20]	-0.20[26]	-0.20[26]	n.d.	n.d	
εNd(t) (NC corrected)	+2.0	+4.6	+11.2	+8.8	+4.5	+9.	7
±2σ ^a	±0.4	±0.4	±0.4	±0.5	±0.6	±0.	8
Sample name	12063	NWA 6950	60025	67	7075	10020	79035
Classification	low Ti basalts	lunar meteorite	e ferroan anorthos	site ferroan a	anorthosite	high Ti basalts	high Ti basalts
Rock type	ilmenite-basalt	0	anorthosite	anor	thosite	olivine basalt	soil-breccia
Age [Ma]	3193	3103	4360	4	040	3720	-
Error [Ma]	11	39	3		50	150	-
Reference	[8]	[9]	[10]	[[11]	estimated from other high Ti basalts	-
¹³⁸ La/ ¹³⁶ Ce	0.1608	0.1839	0.2149	0.3	1950	0.1560	0.1702
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce*	1.336615	1.336842	1.337196	1.33	36947	1.336515	1.336717
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce [*]	1.336589	1.336831				1.336524	1.336708

¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce (mean ^{*)}	1.336602	1.336837	1.337197	1.336948	1.336519	1.336712
Measurement numbers	2	2	1	1	2	2
2.S.E. (mean 6th digit)	17	25	100	57	19	18
Neutron capture effect [ɛ-deviation]	n.d.	n.d.	0.000[21]	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.
εCe(t) (NC corrected)	-0.64	-0.20	+0.18	-0.09	-0.68	n.d.
Err. εCe	±0.21	±0.21	±0.75	±0.43	±0.23	n.d.
¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd*	0.2255	0.1805	0.1302	0.1947	0.2350	0.2155
¹⁴³ Nd/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd*	0.513808	0.512103	0.510685	0.512622	0.513816	0.513214
2 S.E. (6th digit)ppm	±10	±9	±39	±15	±10	±11
Neutron capture effect [ɛ-deviation]	n.d.	n.d.	0.00[21]	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.
εNd(t) (NC corrected)	+10.9	-4.1	-0.8	+0.5	+4.5	n.d.
±2σ ^a	±0.6	±0.6	±0.8	±0.6	±1.0	n.d.

Sample name	79135	10017.395	10020.25	10057.279	74255	74275
Classification	high Ti basalts	high Ti basalts	high Ti basalts	high Ti basalts	high Ti basalt	s high Ti basalts
Rock type	breccia-regolith	vesicular basalt	olivine basalt	vesicular basalt	ilmenite-basa	lt ilmenite-basalt
Age [Ma]	-	3554	3720	3622	3830	3830
Error [Ma]	-	50	150	20	60	60
Reference	-	[5]	estimated from other high Ti basalt	s [12]	[13]	[13]
¹³⁸ La/ ¹³⁶ Ce	0.1745	0.1685	0.1529	0.1683	0.1385	0.1395
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce [*]	1.33678	1.336651	1.33651	1.336674	1.336347	1.336368
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce [*]	1.336798	1.336702	1.336523	1.336663		
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce [*]	1.336786	1.336672		1.336627		
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce [*]		1.336703		1.336632		
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce [*]		1.33669		1.336671		
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce*		1.336654		1.336619		
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce [*]		1.336631		1.336583		
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce [*]		1.336607				
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce [*]		1.336647				
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce (mean ^{*)}	1.336788	1.336662	1.336516	1.336633	1.336347	1.336368
Measurement numbers	3	9	2	8	1	1
2.S.E. (mean 6th digit)	20	14	14	18	17	13
Neutron capture effect [ɛ-deviation]	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	0.002[20]	0.000[20]	0.001[20]
εCe(t) (NC corrected)	n.d.	-0.50	-0.41	-0.68	-0.72	-0.62
Err. εCe	n.d.	±0.20	±0.23	±0.21	±0.22	±0.22
¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd*	0.2058	0.2119	0.2340	0.2074	0.2466	0.2471
143Nd/144Nd*	0.51294	0.513041	0.513796	0.513057	0.514246	0.514246
2 S.E. (6th digit)ppm	±10	±10	±10	±8	±10	±7
Neutron capture effect [ɛ-deviation]	n.d.	-0.40[22]	n.d.	-0.03[20]	0.00[20]	-0.02[20]
εNd(t) (NC corrected)	n.d.	+1.2	+3.9	+3.1	+6.6	+6.3
±2σ ^a	n.d.	±0.4	±1.0	±0.4	±0.8	±0.6
Sample name	75035.24	14163	14305	14310	65015	72275
Classification	high Ti basalts	KREEP basalts	KREEP basalts	KREEP basalts	KREEP basalts	KREEP basalts
Rock type	ilmenite-basalt	KREEP soil	crystalline breccia	feldspathic basalt	impact breccia	polymict Breccia
Age [Ma]	3760	-	3946	3897	3920	3990
Error [Ma]	50	-	50	60	40	30
Reference	[14]	-	[15]	[16]	[17]	[18]
¹³⁸ La/ ¹³⁶ Ce	0.1392	0.1908	0.1879	0.1883	0.1885	0.1850
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce [*]	1.336374	1.336939	1.336871	1.336847	1.336854	1.336855
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce*	1.336373	1.336925	1.336878	1.336862	1.336888	1.336848
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce [*]	1.336407	1.336918	1.336906	1.336863	1.336889	1.336823

¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce*	1.336335	1.33689	1.336897	1.336902	1.336876	1.336859
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce*		1.336896	1.336888	1.336912	1.336876	1.33687
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce*		1.336946	1.336882	1.336889	1.336885	1.336856
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce*		1.336937	1.336886	1.336925	1.33689	
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce*			1.336863	1.336869		
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce*			1.336894			
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce*			1.336887			
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce*			1.336928			
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce (mean ^{*)}	1.336372	1.336916	1.336891	1.336883	1.33688	1.336852
Measurement numbers	4	8	11	8	7	7
2.S.E. (mean 6th digit)	21	16	18	25	16	17
Neutron capture effect [ɛ-deviation]	0.003[20,23]	0.014[24]	n.d.	0.011[20]	0.012[20]	0.002[25]
εCe(t) (NC corrected)	-0.63	n.d.	-0.01	-0.10	-0.15	-0.09
Err. εCe	±0.21	n.d.	±0.07	±0.18	±0.09	±0.11
1476 (1446) -1*	0.2407	0.1716	0.1676	0.1705	0 1722	0.167
sm/sm/sm/	0.2497	0.1716	0.1676	0.1705	0.1722	0.167
¹⁴³ Nd/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd*	0.514258	0.511853	0.511809	0.51182	0.511819	0.511793
2 S.E. (6th digit)ppm	±6	±9	±9	±8	±11	±10
Neutron capture effect [ɛ-deviation]	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	-0.22[20]	-0.38[20]	0.0[25]
εNd(t) (NC corrected)	+5.7	n.d.	-1.5	-2.8	-3.4	-1.4
±2σ ^a	±0.7	n.d.	±0.7	±0.4	±0.4	±0.6

Sample name	73275	68115
Classification	KREEP basalts	KREEP basalts
Rock type	Impact melt breccia	polymict breccia
Age [Ma]	3960	3900
Error [Ma]	50	100
		estimated from other
Reference	[19]	KREEP basalts
¹³⁸ La/ ¹³⁶ Ce	0.1878	0.1866
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce*	1.336871	1.336838
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce [*]	1.336892	1.336848
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce [*]	1.336847	1.336869
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce [*]	1.336841	1.336811
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce [*]	1.336849	1.336824
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce [*]	1.336847	
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce [*]	1.336858	
¹³⁸ Ce/ ¹³⁶ Ce (mean ^{*)}	1.336858	1.336838
Measurement numbers	7	5
2.S.E. (mean 6th digit)	18	19
Neutron capture effect		
[ɛ-deviation]	n.d.	0.000[20]
sCe(t) (NC corrected)	-0.25	-0.32
	+0.13	+0.22
	10.15	10.22
¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd*	0.1721	0.1688
¹⁴³ Nd/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd*	0.511887	0.511836
2 S.E. (6th digit)ppm	±9	±9
Neutron capture effect	n.d.	0.0[20]
[ɛ-deviation]		
ɛNd(t) (NC corrected)	-2 3	-1.8
±2m ³	+0.7	+0.7
120	±0.7	±0.7

all lunar ⁸⁷Rb-⁸⁷Sr ages were recalculated using the decay constant given by Nebel et al., (2011).

*neutron capture uncorrected

^aerrors include propagated errors on parent daughter ratios, age uncertainties and external reproducibilities.

^bFor n≤4 an external reproducibility of 21ppm was assumed (Hasenstab et al., 2021, **Chapter I**), whereas for n>4, the 95 C.I was used for further error propagation

[1] Birck, (1986) [2] Papanastassiou and Wasserburg, (1973) [3] Kirsten et al. (1972) [4] Wasserburg and Papanastassiou, (1971) [5] Papanastassiou and Wasserburg, (1971) [6] Alexander et al. (1972) [7] Horn et al. (1975) [8] Snape et al. (2016) [9] Thiemens M. M., (unpublished) [10] Borg et al. (2011) [11] Turner et al. (1973) [12] Papanastassiou et al. (1970) [13] Nyquist, (1976) [14] Turner and Cadogan, (1975) [15] Taylor et al. (1983) [16] Murthy et al. (1972) [17] Papanastassiou and Wasserburg, (1972) [18] Shih et al. (1992) [19] Turner and Cadogan, (1975) Neutron capture corrections were calculated with the data given below: [20] Sprung et al. (2013) [21] Boyet and Carlson, (2007) [22] Borg et al. (2019) [23] Kruijer and Kleine, (2017) [24] Sprung, P. unpublished data

[25] Gaffney and Borg, (2014) [26] Mcleod et al. (2014)

	8	Тһ	⊃	qN	Та	La	Ce	Pr	рŊ	Zr	Ηf	Sm	Eu	Ξ	дd	Тb	Ŋ	≻	Er	٩Y	Lu
partition coefficients fo	r early Ean	th differe	ntiation																		
Partition coefficient ^[3]	0.0005	0.001	0.0011	0.0034	0.0034	0.0126 ^[1]	0.022	0.027	0.03 (0.0374 ^[2] (0.0396 ^[2]	0.045	0.05 (0.058	0.056	0.068	0.079 (0.088	0.097	0.115	0.12
starting composition ^[4]	0.012	0.085	0.0229	0.595	0.043	0.683	1.75	0.267	1.34	10.3	0.301	0.435	0.167	1265	0.586	0.108	0.724	4.13	0.468	0.477 0	.0708
early depleted mantle	0.00023	0.0032	0.00093	0.069	0.00499	0.225	0.813	0.137	0.74	6.17	0.185	0.28	D.111	889	0.407	0.079	0.556	3.25	0.377	0.398 (.0595
early enriched crust	0.453	3.15	0.846	20.3	1.47	17.9	37	5.08	23.9	165	4.67	6.23	2.23	5335	7.27	1.17	7.03	37	3.89	3.46	0.496
collisional erosion of 54% crust	0.0066	0.0473	0.0128	0.352	0.0255	0.47	1.31	0.205	1.06	8.33	0.246	0.36	0.14	1082	0.499	0.094	0.64	3.69	0.422	0.436 (.0649
depleted proto-Earth																					
mixing of 86% proto Ear	rth with 14	1% impact	:or ^[4]																		
SDEM*	0.0073	0.0526	0.0142	0.386	0.0279	0.499	1.37	0.214	1.1	8.6	0.253	0.371	0.144	1107	0.511	960.0	0.652	3.75	0.428	0.442	0.066
^[1] The partition coefficie	nt for La w	/as recalci	ulated usir	ng the lati	tice strain r	nodel (Blu	ndy and	Nood, 19	1 9 4).												
^[2] D _{zr} was recalculated s	o that the	inferred c	compositio	n had a Z	ir/Zr*=(Sm₀	_N ×Nd _{cN}) ^{0.5} =	1 and Hf	was reca	lculated	by assumi	ing constai	nt D _{zr} ∕D⊦	f ratios	is previo	usly repo	orted (W	orkman	and Hai	t, 2005)		
^[3] Workman and Hart, (2	2005)																				
^[4] Palme and O' Neill, (20	113)																				
^[5] Canup, (2004)																					

In the following, the depleted composition of the Moon is calculated, following the approach of O'Neill and Palme, (2008).

*Slightly Depleted Earth-Moon composition

OI = olivine rich cumulates; Opx = orthopyroxene-rich cumulates, Cpx-pig = clinopyroxene-plagioclase-pigeonite-rich cumulates, PI-pig-oI = plagioclase-pigeonite-olivine rich cumulates, IBC = ilmenite-bearing PI[1] refers to additionally entrained plagioclase Abbreviations as follows: Plag refers to amounts of entrained plagioclase; TIRL refers to trapped interstitial residual liquid Орх Pl-ol-pig KREEP Cpx-pig <u>0</u> IBC Cumulate 0.02 0.02 0.02 0.02 0.02 **P**[1] 0.025 0.03 0.02 0.01 0.05 TIRL 0.0436 0.0027 0.0033 0.0004 0.001 2.06 ≶ 0.0073 0.0027 0.023 0.0267 0.31 14.5 井 0.0828 0.0097 0.0109 0.0022 0.0008 3.49 \subset 0.0496 0.0198 0.138 0.175 2.72 98 ß 0.0041 0.0015 0.0149 0.0145 0.22 4.96 Ta 0.0262 0.296 0.065 2.95 0.37 125 Гa 0.0715 0.203 0.749 1.318.09 324 Ce 0.113 0.0361 0.0111 0.314 1.26 43.3 P٢ 0.0569 0.198 0.574 6.47 210 1.8 Nd 0.443 3.89 2.14 1468 58.6 10.8 Ľ 0.0853 0.0131 0.554 27.8 1.86 0.12 千 0.0891 0.0192 0.192 0.989 2.19 50.9 Sm 0.00817 0.0304 0.836 0.308 0.156 20.8 E 30347 2553 1114 66.4 568 714 ∃ 0.1610.027 0.266 3.01 1.86 49.1 Gd 0.0504 0.0369 0.0051 0.555 0.384 7.65 님 0.341 0.036 0.29 3.73 45.3 2.8 Ş 0.216 21.2 16.12.02 1.86 248 ~ 0.0258 0.226 2.38 0.24 23.5 Ę Ν 0.0313 0.348 0.232 2.29 1.92 22.1 Ъ 0.0335 0.0542 0.0054 0.334 0.287 3.11 Е

cumulates, KREEP = K-REE-P-rich rocks.

In the following, the lunar magma ocean crystallization was modelled assuming the crystallization sequence of Snyder et al., 1992) and using our calculated SDEM composition as starting composition.

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Erklärung zu Chapter I

Chapter I baut auf meiner Masterarbeit "Radiogenic isotope and trace element characteristics of basalts and komatiites from the Pilbara Craton, NW Australia" auf. Im Rahmen dieser Masterarbeit wurde an 21 Archaischen Basalten aus dem Pilbara Kraton radiogene Hf-Nd-Ce Isotope untersucht. Chapter I baut auf diesen Grundlagen auf und im Rahmen dieser Dissertation werden Hf-Nd Isotopendaten für weitere 42 Proben sowie Ce Isotopendaten für weitere 19 Proben aus dem Pilbara Kraton berichtet. Da die Ce Isotopendaten der Masterarbeit noch von analytischen Artefakten beeinträchtigt waren, wurde das damals verwendete analytische Protokoll überarbeitet um diese Proben erneut aber mit besserer Präzession messen zu können. Zum Teil mussten diese Proben aufgrund von Materialmangel auch neu aufgeschlossen und separiert werden. Des Weiteren stammt der wesentliche Teil an Modellierungen aus dieser Dissertation, die als Grundlage genutzt wurden, um im Rahmen dieser Arbeit ein geodynamisches Modell zu erstellen. In die Publikation, die **Chapter I** darstellt, sind auch die Daten aus meiner Masterarbeit eingeflossen. Deshalb werden in dieser Dissertation sowohl der Datensatz der Masterarbeit als auch die hier gewonnenen Daten in ihrer Gesamtheit vorgestellt und neu interpretiert.

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