

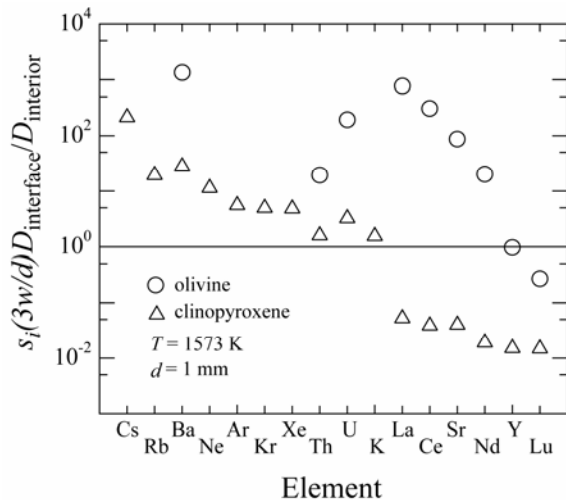
Segregation to Grain and Phase Boundaries

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CHEMICAL ANALYSIS OF GRAIN AND PHASE BOUNDARIES IN TWO-PHASE OLIVINE-DIOPSIDE AGGREGATES

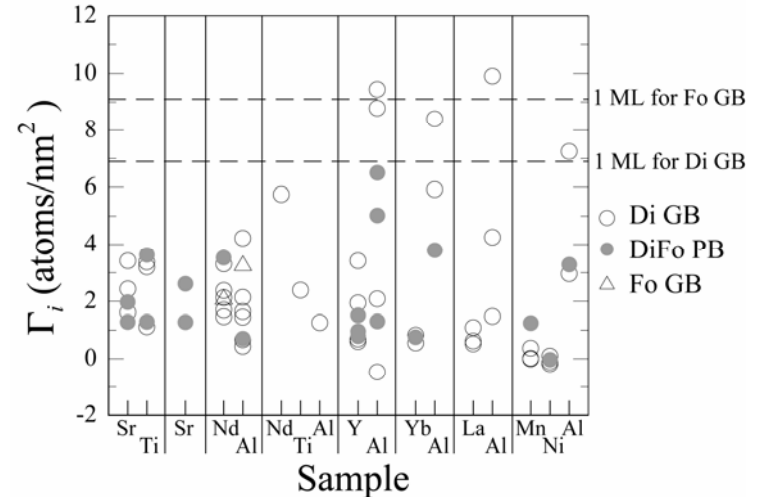
- ◆ STEM/EDX analyses of interface composition in synthetic rocks
- ◆ Interpretation in terms of Gibbsian thermodynamics and Langmuir-McLean segregation model



Contributions to bulk/whole-rock diffusion of diffusion along interfaces relative diffusion through interiors of grains for several incompatible elements.

MAJOR OBSERVATIONS

- ◆ Significant amounts of heavy alkali elements and rare gases reside at grain-grain interfaces
- ◆ Transport of elements that are largely incompatible interiors of grains is dominated by interface diffusion



Interface excess densities for eight different samples. Di = diopside, Fo = forsterite, ML = monolayer.

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