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# Mafic macrocrysts of ultrabasic alkaline dikes from the Mantiqueira Range, SE, Brazil: tracers of a complex plumbing system

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## **Abstract**

Macrocryst assemblages of porphyritic alkaline dikes in the Mantiqueira range (SE Brazil) are mainly composed of clinopyroxene and olivine with different origins. Based on petrographic features, mineral chemistry, and equilibrium relationships with the host liquid, those macrocrysts are classified as xenocrysts, antecrysts, and phenocrysts. Described xenocrysts are mantle olivine, Cr-diopside cores compatible with garnet-bearing mantle facies, green-core clinopyroxene cores compatible with lower crust, and enstatite cores mantled by clinopyroxene, all reported for the first time in this region. Two contrasting types of clinopyroxene antecrysts prevail among the macrocryst cores (both occurring in the same samples and presenting corrosion and sieve textures): primitive colorless diopside and more evolved green-core clinopyroxenes. In the studied rocks, green clinopyroxene zones mantling colorless diopside cores (and vice-versa) are also found. Diopside- and green-cores antecrysts have similar compositions to those from mafic and felsic alkaline melts, respectively. Phenocrysts are mainly related to Ti-augite overgrowths, mantling all other types. Mixing-model curves between mafic and felsic alkaline equilibrium liquids calculated from clinopyroxene antecrysts indicate a hybrid origin for the host matrix. The macrocryst populations of the studied dikes are indicative of a complex plumbing system, recording several processes of an open-system magmatic evolution.

KEYWORDS: clinopyroxene antecrysts; mantle xenocrysts; alkaline magmatism; complex plumbing system.

## INTRODUCTION

Volcanic and subvolcanic mafic alkaline rocks result from the cooling of magmas generated by the low-degree partial melt of mantle peridotites, being this source previously metasomatized, fertile or a mixture of both (Foley 1992, Pilet *et al.* 2008, Laporte *et al.* 2014). Implications for the generation, ascent, evolution and emplacement of such igneous bodies can be predicted based on the complex petrographic and chemical features of their mineral content (Davidson *et al.* 2007, Ginibre *et al.* 2007). Mafic minerals are of special interest because they crystallize over wide temperature and pressure ranges, recording the magmatic processes from mantle source

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to final consolidation at shallower lithospheric levels (Foley *et al.* 2011, Ubide *et al.* 2014a, 2015, Bussweiler *et al.* 2015, McGee and Smith 2016).

Olivine, clinopyroxene, amphibole, and phlogopite are the most common early mafic minerals in alkaline magmas. A number of recent studies demonstrate that such minerals are not always properly referred to as phenocrysts, once they may be in chemical disequilibrium with the host liquid (*e.g.*, Ubide *et al.* 2012, Menezes *et al.* 2015). When foreign to the magmatic system, they are called xenocrysts; when in chemical disequilibrium, but still cognate, they are known as antecrysts, possibly formed in early stages of the magma differentiation history (Jerram and Davidson 2007).

Understanding complex texture and zonation of mineral populations of volcanic and subvolcanic rocks has contributed to the modeling of complex plumbing systems (Jerram and Martin 2008). In this model, wall-rock fragments from different lithospheric levels are embedded into the ascending magma and transported to its final emplacement site (Orejana et al. 2006, Jankovics et al. 2016). As magma ascents, it passes through different interconnected chambers and interacts with other igneous melts (Ubide et al. 2014b, Gernon et al. 2016). The characteristics of each chamber may be imprinted on the zoning pattern of the mineral assemblage (growth stratigraphy) and thus revealed by petrography and in situ analyses of each of the different zones. This mechanism allows the characterization of early magmatic stages and associated processes

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(Davidson *et al.* 2007, Jerram and Martin 2008, Streck 2008). Petrography and mineral chemistry studies on zoned macrocrysts in porphyritic alkaline dikes have indicated open magmatic systems whose evolution involves mixtures of basic-ultrabasic and intermediate alkaline magmas (*e.g.*, Dobosi and Fodor 1992, Rock *et al.* 1994, Simonetti *et al.* 1996, Valente 1997, Kahl *et al.* 2011, Jankovics *et al.* 2012, Gernon *et al.* 2016, Ubide *et al.* 2014a, 2014b, Batki *et al.* 2018) and/or incorporation of xenoliths and xenocrysts from crustal host rocks and/or lithospheric sources (*e.g.*, Szabó and Bodnar 1998, Pilet *et al.* 2002, Orejana *et al.* 2006, 2007, Jankovics *et al.* 2016).

Zoned structures (*i.e.*, aphanitic/vitreous borders followed by intermediate vesicular regions and porphyritic centers) are common to mafic alkaline dikes of the Mantiqueira Range, Serra do Mar Alkaline Province (Alves *et al.* 1992, Brotzu *et al.* 2005, Marins 2012, Menezes *et al.* 2015, Azzone *et al.* 2018). The predominantly mafic macrocrysts (1–10 mm, as with Ubide *et al.* 2014b) are notable for showing varied zoning styles, as well as dissolution, corrosion, diffusive re-equilibrium and recrystallization textures. Such petrographic features are indicative of a disequilibrium between crystals and their host magmatic liquids, which suggests open-system evolution processes (Davidson *et al.* 2007, Ginibre *et al.* 2007, Jerram and Davidson 2007, Streck 2008).

In the western Mantiqueira range, SE Brazil, porphyritic alkaline dikes from the Upper Cretaceous cut the Neoproterozoic basement and the contemporaneous Ponte Nova alkaline mafic-ultramafic intrusion. Mafic macrocrysts of these dikes bear evidence of distinct differentiation stages related to open- and closed-system magmatic processes (Streck 2008, Menezes et al. 2015, Azzone et al. 2018). In this scenario, the present study aims to identify, based on antecrysts, xenocrysts and phenocrysts features, the magmatic processes that operated on the ultrabasic dikes with alkaline affinity from the western Mantiqueira range.

# **MAGMATIC CONTEXT**

Hundreds of Cretaceous alkaline and alkaline-carbonatitic occurrences recognized over the Brazilian Platform are related to the intense magmatic episodes that followed the breakdown of Gondwana. These units have been grouped into several provinces, including the Serra do Mar alkaline province (Fig. 1A; Almeida 1983), which was later subdivided by Riccomini *et al.* (2005) into the Northern Serra do Mar alkaline province (from the coast of São Paulo and western Mantiqueira range to the Paraná Basin border) and the Cabo Frio magmatic lineament (an alignment of alkaline occurrences from Poços de Caldas to Cabo Frio Island).

Along the Mantiqueira range, silica-undersaturated to saturated syenite varieties prevail among the alkaline rocks. Hypabissal correlatives (*i.e.*, trachyte and phonolite) are volumetrically subordinate and occur as dikes, plugs, sills, and small stocks (Alves *et al.* 1992, Brotzu *et al.* 2005, Enrich *et al.* 2005, Rosa and Ruberti 2018, Azone *et al.* 2018, Guarino *et al.* 2019). Mafic and ultramafic alkaline swarms of centimeter-to-metric and mainly porphyritic dikes (occasionally

zoned and/or juxtaposed) cut both the basement and the alkaline occurrences (Azzone et al. 2018). On the other hand, mafic-ultramafic rocks (cumulates) prevail in the Ponta Nova Massif, located in the western portion of the Mantiqueira range (Azzone et al. 2009a, 2009b, 2016). The Ponte Nova massif is emplaced in the metagranites of the Serra da Água Limpa Batholith, in the Socorro-Guaxupé nappe migmatites and in the metasedimentary rocks of the Embu Terrain (Fig. 1B; Vinagre et al. 2014).

The mafic alkaline dikes of the western Mantiqueira range studied here occur in the vicinities of the Ponte Nova mafic-ultramafic alkaline massif in the cities of Sapucaí Mirim (MG), Santo Antônio de Pinhal (SP), and Campos do Jordão (SP) (Fig. 1B). *In situ* sampling of the alkaline dikes is hampered by inaccessibility, the restricted exposure and the intense weathering in the Mantiqueira range region. Most of the unaltered samples are related to blocks collected along drainage segments throughout the escarpment and outcrops along the main roads.

## MATERIALS AND METHODS

Samples of the mafic alkaline dikes were described in detail and petrography focused on the compositions and textures of macrocrysts hosted by different types of matrices. Pyroxene, olivine, amphibole, and phlogopite crystals from eight representative ultrabasic occurrences were selected for *in situ* chemical analysis by electron microprobe using wavelength dispersion system (WDS) and by laser ablation inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometry (LA-ICP-MS).

Electron microprobe analyses were performed at the NAP GeoAnalítica-USP Electron Microprobe Laboratory, University of São Paulo, using a JEOL JXA-FE 8530 micro-analyzer with a field emission revolver coupled to five wavelength dispersion spectrometers with two crystals each. The same analytical parameters were applied to all mineral phases, *i.e.*, 15kV of acceleration potential, 20 $\eta$ A of current intensity and 5 $\mu$ m for the beam diameter. Matrix corrections were performed with CITZAF (Armstrong 1995) and ZAF algorithms. Structural formula calculation for pyroxene, amphibole, and phlogopite followed Morimoto (1988), Gualda and Vlach (2005), and Rieder *et al.* (1998), respectively. For olivine, the structural formula was calculated according to Deer *et al.* (1992).

Quantification of minor and trace elements was also performed at the NAP Geoanalítica-USP Chemistry Laboratory, University of São Paulo, using a super cell chamber-equipped New Wave UP 213 AF ablation system. The system was coupled to a quadrupole Thermo Scientific™ iCAP™ RQICP-MS. Helium was used as a carrier gas of the ablated sample into the Ar plasma. NIST-612 (glass), BHVO (basalt), and BIR (glass) calibration standards were applied to all samples. Analytical procedures were performed according to Andrade *et al.* (2014). Analyses of olivine (20), pyroxene (144), amphibole (12), and phlogopite (11) were performed. Spot diameter was of 55 µm for most of the analyses, but reduced in size to 40 µm for smaller targets. The blank and counting periods of 60 s were

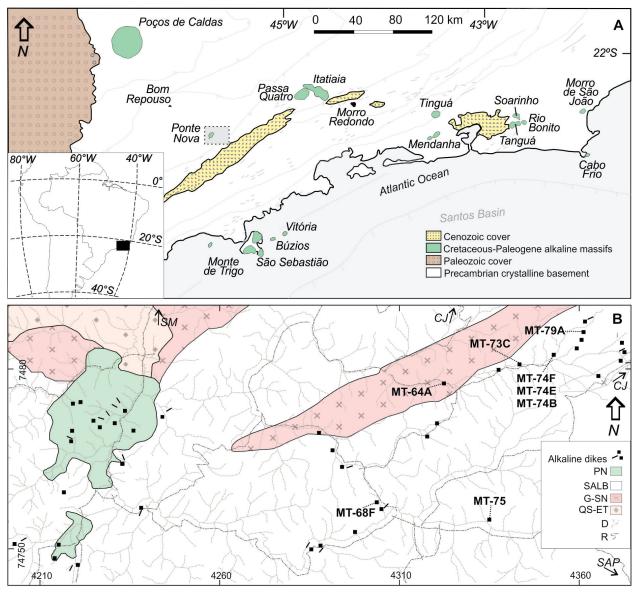
applied for each analysis. Wash-out time between consecutive analyses was 30 s. BHVO-2, BCR-2G, NIST610, and/or NIST612 were systematically analyzed for quality control and presented deviations of up to 10% off the reference values (GeoReM, preferred values; Jochum *et al.* 2005) for most elements, similarly to Reguir *et al.* (2012). Supplementary Material A details the methodology and calibration standards of the performed WDS and LA-ICP-MS analyses, in addition to the data for the analyzed minerals.

Lithogeochemical data from 8 selected dikes were compiled from Azzone *et al.* (2018), except for one sample (MT-75A), whose composition was quantified in the same laboratories following the same methods as the main data source. These data are presented in Supplementary Material B.

## **RESULTS**

# Petrography

The mafic dikes of Mantiqueira range are melanocratic and their mineral assemblages consist of olivine, clinopyroxene, amphibole, phlogopite, felsic minerals, opaque minerals, carbonates, and apatite. They are porphyritic rocks with grain size bimodality that identify the presence of different populations of macrocrysts (1–10 mm) embedded in a microcrystalline (< 1 mm) matrix. Ocelli and amygdales are recurrent, commonly filled with the same felsic constituents as the matrix. Following IUGS recommendations (Le Maitre 2002), the investigated dikes are classified as alkali basalt, alkaline lamprophyre and phonolitic tephrite.



**Figure 1.** (A) Geological sketch map of the Serra do Mar Alkaline Province in SE Brazil, modified from Thompson *et al.* (1998) and Rosa and Ruberti (2018) with indication of the studied area (grey square). (B) Simplified geological map of part of the Mantiqueira mountain region (studied area). Alkaline dikes are represented by black squares (sampling point of unaltered rocks) in the main drainages (D) and by the strike direction of *in situ* bodies. The selected dikes for this study are identified with their sample codes. PN, Ponte Nova alkaline massif (Azzone *et al.* 2009a); SALB: Serra da Água Limpa Batholith; G-SN: gneisses of the Socorro Nappe; QS-ET: quartzites and schists of Embu Terrane (Precambrian basement units from Vinagre *et al.* 2014). R: main roadways. Reference Cities: SAP: Santo Antônio do Pinhal; CJ: Campos do Jordão; SM: Sapucaí Mirim. Extracted from Azzone *et al.* (2018).

Alkali basalt consists of zoned macrocrysts of pyroxene with a glomeroporphyritic texture, subhedral to anhedral olivine (either with sieve texture or completely altered), skeletal or subhedral plagioclase and anhedral kaersutite (Fig. 2A). Although clinopyroxene generally represents the most significant macrocryst phase, olivine prevails in some samples, reaching 13% of the modal content (alkaline olivine basalt; Fig. 2B). The mafic matrix cargo is composed of zoned clinopyroxene microcrysts, as well as subordinate kaersutite and opaque minerals (ilmenite and Ti-magnetite). The predominantly felsic, thin to very thin matrix consists of plagioclase and/or alkali feldspar and small amounts of carbonate.

Two different types of panidiomorphic alkaline lamprophyres are observed: camptonite and monchiquite, which differ in their macrocryst population and matrix composition. The camptonite consists of clinopyroxene macrocrysts (locally skeletal), kaersutite and zoned phlogopite embedded in a matrix of plagioclase, alkali feldspar, and nepheline. Opaque minerals and apatite are also found as main accessory phases. The monchiquite has euhedral kaersutite as the main mafic macrocryst phase, with glomeroporphyritic texture and oscillatory zoning, and an aphanitic matrix mainly composed of nepheline (Fig. 2C).

The phonolitic tephrite is glomeroporphyritic, with zoned pyroxene macrocrysts, olivine pseudomorphs replaced by carbonate and, rarely, sector-zoned phlogopite (Fig. 2D).

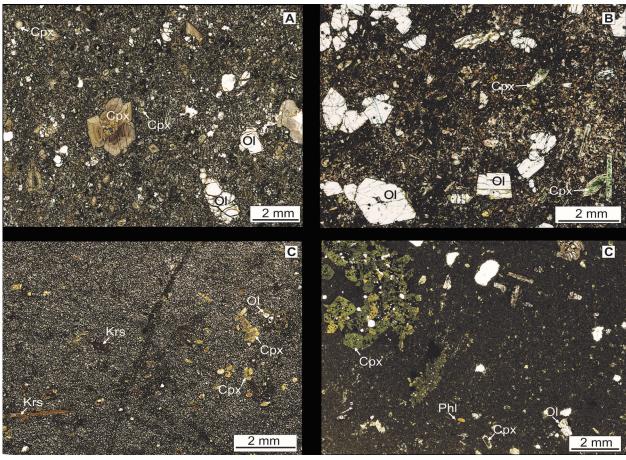
Clinopyroxene, kaersutite, opaque minerals, and phlogopite constitute the mafic matrix cargo, while the felsic assemblage consists of an intergrowth of alkali feldspar with nepheline.

# Macrocryst populations

The macrocryst assemblages of the investigated dikes consist mainly of olivine, clinopyroxene, kaersutite, and phlogopite in different proportions. Their diverse petrographic features allow different populations or types of macrocrysts to be identified. For the purposes of the present study, "type" corresponds to any crystal, zone or inclusion showing the petrographic and chemical signatures detailed here (these types can be smaller than the minimum size of the macrocryst themselves). These subdivisions are especially important for olivine and clinopyroxene, the main macrocrystic phases, with characteristics summarized in Table 1.

#### Olivines

Except for the pseudomorphs described in the phonolitic tephrite, olivine macrocrysts are restricted to alkali basalts and can be separated into two types (Figs. 3A–3D). Type-1 olivine (up to 2 vol%) shows rounded anhedral habit and embayment texture (Figs. 3A and 3B). They are also characterized by a normal progressive concentric zoning, with high forsterite (Fo) contents in core zones (Fo $_{84-990}$ ) trending towards low-Fo rims (Fo $_{71-81}$ ) (Tabs. A3 and A4 — Suppl. Material A). When little



**Figure 2.** Photomicrographs of the studied samples, showing the porphyritic texture of (A) alkali basalt, (B) olivine alkali basalt, (C) alkaline lamprophyre and (D) phonolitic tephrite. The main macrocrysts of these samples are clinopyroxene (Cpx), olivine (Ol), with subordinate kaersutite (Krs) and phlogopite (Phl), set in a fine-grained groundmass. Plane-polarized transmitted light.

affected by disequilibrium processes (Fo > 89), core compositions present high Ni and low Ti contents. In contrast, Type-2 olivine macrocrysts are subhedral, angular, mostly unzoned but present some variation in Mg (Fo  $_{\!80.88}$ ). They represent the main mafic macrocrysts of alkali basalts (Figs. 3C and 3D), and also occur in clusters, defining glomeroporphyritic textures.

# Clinopyroxenes

Common to all described lithotypes, clinopyroxene macrocrysts present a wide petrographic diversity and complex zoning patterns (Fig. 4), with four recognized types: A, B, C, and D; subtypes were also characterized for A- and B-types based on mineral compositional signatures (Tab. 1). Sieve textures are observed in all types, but not in all crystals. Although mainly classified as diopside, pyroxene macrocrysts present important compositional variations, as shown in Figure 5 and Tables A5 and A6 (Suppl. material A).

A-type macrocrysts are colorless, with normal step concentric zoning, and show high and variable Mg# values  $[Mg# = 100*Mg/(Mg + Fe_{T}) \text{ in mol.; 57-88}].$  Their compositions define a trend of coupled substitutions of Si<sup>4+</sup>-Al<sup>3+</sup> in T-site and Mg<sup>2+</sup>-Ti<sup>4+</sup>/Fe<sup>3+</sup> in M1-site (Fig. 5A). Chemically, A-type members can be divided into 5 subtypes: A1, A3, and A5 anhedral and subhedral cores (Figs. 4A, 4E and 4G) and A2 and A4 subhedral/euhedral intermediate zones (Figs. 4A-4D). The A1, A3, and A5 core subtypes have different Mg# ranges (Tab. 1) and display particular trace element signatures: A1 contains the lowest concentrations of Sr, Zr (Figs. 5G and 5H), Ga, Y, and rare earth elements (REE; Fig. 6A); A5 presents the highest REE contents among A-types (Fig. 6A); A3 have higher concentrations of Sc, Sr, and Zr than in A1 and A5. The A2 and A4 intermediates differ from each other, both by the larger ranges of Ti and Mg# (57-84;

Fig. 5F) in A4 and by the REE concentrations (higher in A4 in most cases; Fig. 6A).

B-type is typically green, characterized by the reverse step concentric zoning and usually occurs as anhedral cores or euhedral intermediate zones (Figs. 4B, 4C, 4E, 4F and 4H). B-type pyroxene is characterized by slightly lower and variable Mg# values (41-84) and by coupled substitutions of Ca<sup>2+</sup> with Na<sup>+</sup> (M2) and  $Mg^{2+}$  with  $Al^{3+}$  or  $Fe^{3+}$  in M1. This type is chemically subdivided into five subtypes: B1, B2, B3, B5 cores, Figs. 4B, 4C, 4F and 4H) and B4 intermediate zone mantling (Fig. 4E). B1 (Mg# = 60-65; Fig. 5) is characterized by the high concentration of heavy REE and a negative Eu anomaly (Fig. 6B). B2 is compositionally similar to B1, but with higher Mg#(68-71)and lower Si Mn, Sr, Y, Zr and REE concentrations. B3 presents the highest Mn, Zn, Sr and Zr values among all pyroxenes and lowest Al, Fe<sup>2+</sup> and Y concentrations among B-type cores, with upward concave REE pattern (Fig. 6B). B5 yields low Sc, with higher Sr and Zr than B1 and B2. Intermediate B4 pyroxenes present the largest compositional gradient of forming cations (Si, Al, Ti, Mn, Na) and REE distribution pattern similar to that of B3-subtype pyroxene.

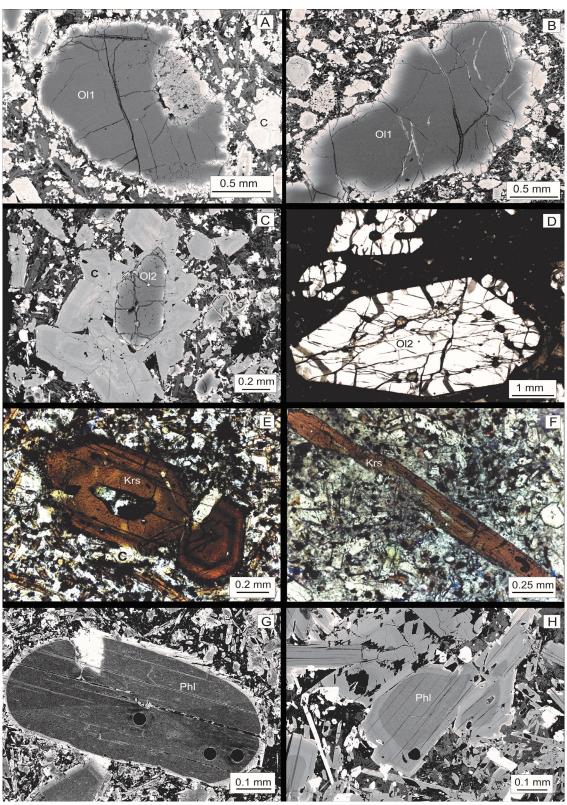
C-type refers to pale-pinkish macrocrysts petrographically identified as Ti-augite, corresponding to the main pyroxene in mafic dikes of the Mantiqueira range (except in the phonolitic tephrite) (Figs. 3 and 4). These may occur as isolated euhedral crystals with oscillatory or sector zoning, or in clusters in a glomeroporphyritic texture with inclusions of olivine and opaque minerals or, more commonly, forming the rims of other clinopyroxene macrocrysts. Ti-augite is the prevailing pyroxene variety in the matrix. Being the most common among the pyroxenes, macrocrysts of C-type show a broad Mg# range (58–85; Fig. 5). They are often subsilicic and with high Cr concentrations in some high Mg# zones. Silica

**Table 1.** Summary of petrographic features of the olivine- and pyroxene-types of macrocrysts in the ultrabasic alkaline dykes from the Mantiqueira range.  $Mg\# = 100^*Mg/(Mg + Fe_r)$  in apfu  $(Fe_r = Fe^{2+} + Fe^{3+})$ .

Mineral /	Type / Subtype		Zone	vol. (%)	Grain size (mm)	Mg#	Alkali basalts	Lamprophyres	Phonolitic tephrite
Olivine		type-1	Core, intermediate zone, rim	1–2	0.2-2.5	71–90	×		
		type-2	Unzoned	4-13	0.2-5	80-88	×		
Pyroxene	A (colorless)	A1	Core	< 1	0.2-1.3	87-88	×		
		A2	Intermediate zone	< 1	< 0.2	81-84	×		
		A3	Core	< 1	0.2-0.35	80-84	×	×	
		A4	Intermediate zone	<< 1	< 0.05	66-84	×	×	×
		A5	Core	<< 1	< 0.5	73-76		×	
	B (green)	B1	Core	< 1	0.1-0.4	60-65	×		
		B2	Core	<< 1	0.25-0.6	68-70	×		×
		В3	Core	~ 2	0.15-1	40-64	×	×	
		B4	Intermediate zone	< 1	< 0.2	50-70	×	×	
		B5	Core	< 5	0.05-~1.2	46-68		×	×
	C (pale-pinkish)	С	Core, intermediate zone, rim	1-~4	0.01-1.2	63-85	×	×	×
	D (colorless)	D	Core	< 1	0.15	61	×		

concentration decreases proportionally with Mg, while Al and Ti increase (Fig. 5). The rims of these macrocrysts are enriched in Ti, Al, Sr, Y, Zr, Nb, and REE. The concentration of light rare earth elements (LREE) in this type is the highest among pyroxenes, with enrichments up to 600 times the chondritic reservoir (Fig. 6C).

D-type macrocrysts are restricted to a sample of alkali basalt, occurring as anhedral cores that are distinguished by their grey tones (Fig. 4D). D-type pyroxenes are classified as enstatite (Mg# = 61; Fig. 4D). Their Co, Ni, and Zn concentrations are among the highest of all, while their light and intermediate REE and Y values are among the lowest ones (Fig. 6C).

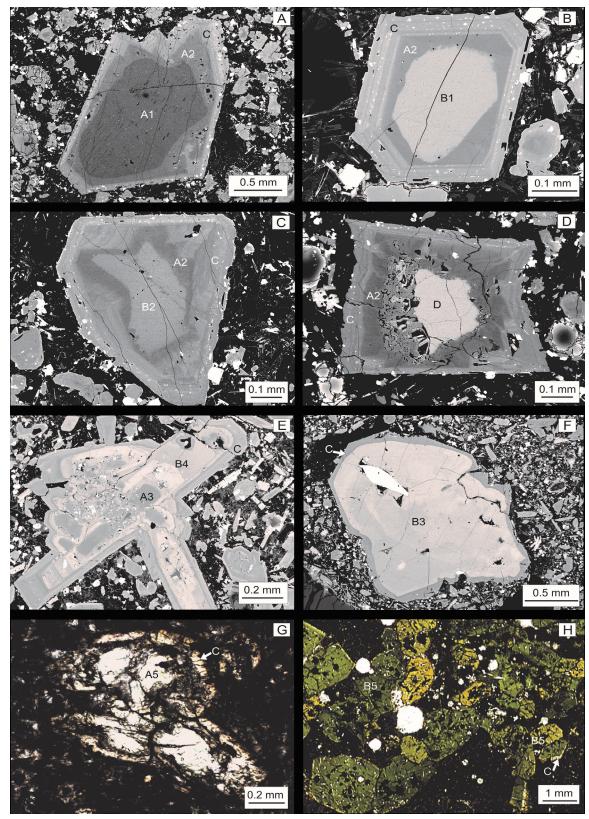


**Figure 3.** Petrographic features of mafic macrocrysts of the ultrabasic alkaline dikes from the Mantiqueira mountain range. Type 1 olivines are found in (A) and (B), whereas type 2 olivines are found in (C) and (D). Kaersutite macrocrysts are found in (E) and (F), whereas phlogopite macrocrysts are found in (G) and (H). The dark roles in (G) and (H) are related to laser ablation spots. More details are offered in the main text. A-C and G-H are back-scattered electron images; D-E and F, plane-polarized transmitted light.

Given the clinopyroxene complexity, the relationships between the different types and subtypes are summarized in Figure 7. A1-, B1-, B2- and D-cores are mantled by A2-intermediate, which is mantled by C-type. A5- and B5-cores are mantled by A4-intermediates, which is mantled by C-type. A3- and B3-cores are mantled by B4-intermediate, which is mantled by C-type.

# **Amphiboles**

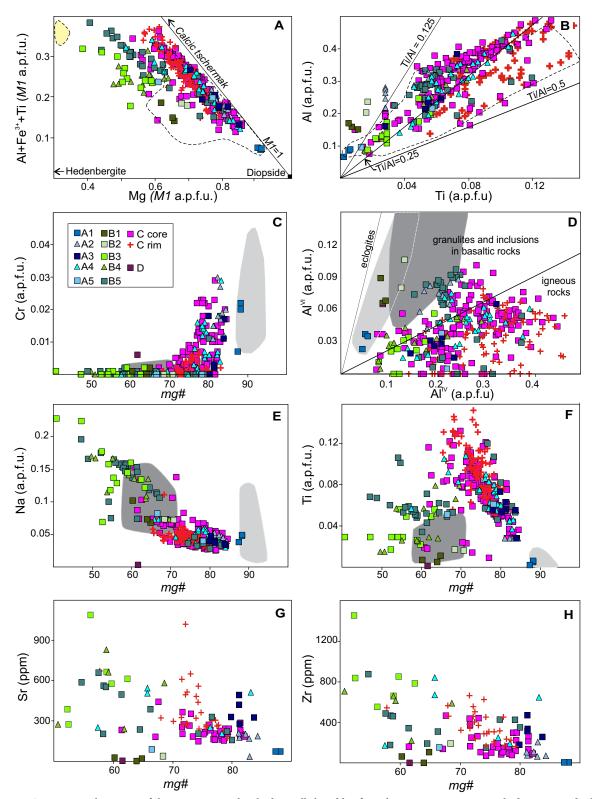
Kaersutite is rare in alkali basalts, but forms the main macrocrystic phase of lamprophyres from the Mantiqueira range (3–6% by volume) (Figs. 3E and 3F). They occur in a variety of habits (*e.g.*, euhedral tabular, anhedral rip, skeletal) and also occur as clusters, defining glomeroporphyritic



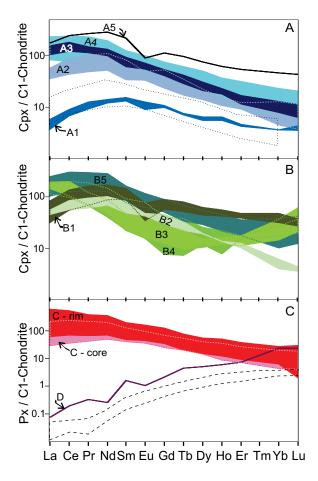
**Figure 4.** Petrographic details of pyroxene macrocryst populations in the ultrabasic alkaline dikes from the Mantiqueira range. A1-A5, B1-B5, C, and D refer to the different types and subtypes of pyroxene macrocrysts identified in this work (see the main text and table 1 for further details). (A-F) Back-scattered electron images; (G-H) plane-polarized transmitted light.

textures. Sector or concentric oscillatory zoning may be present. Chemically, the amphiboles are mainly classified as kaersutite, with minor pargasite and Mg-hastingsite ( ${\rm Ti}$  < 0.5 apfu) (Tabs. A7 and A8 — Suppl. Material A). Euhedral kaersutite macrocrysts described in the monchiquite (Fig. 3E) have higher Mg#, while kaersutite and pargasite from alkali basalt

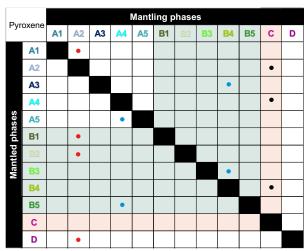
and camptonite (Fig. 3F) are anhedral with lower Mg# and Si. Amphiboles are enriched in LREE relative to heavy rare earth elements (HREE) (Fig. 8), with monchiquite presenting REE contents ( $\Sigma$ REE = 248–319) lower than those of the alkali basalt ( $\Sigma$ REE = 424–509) and camptonite ( $\Sigma$ REE = 572–625).



**Figure 5.** Compositional variation of clinopyroxenes in the ultrabasic alkaline dikes from the Mantiqueira range. Dashed-contour and yellow fields in A-B are related to clinopyroxenes of mafic and felsic rocks, respectively, from the nearby Ponte Nova alkaline massif. Light- and dark-gray fields in C-F diagrams are related to mantle-derived and lower crust-derived xenocrysts, respectively, following Jankovics *et al.* (2016). General fields for eclogites, granulites and inclusions in basaltic rocks and igneous rocks in D diagram from Aoki and Kushiro (1968).  $Mg\# = [100*Mg/(Mg + Fe_{\pi})]$ .



**Figure 6.** C1-chondrite-normalized distribution patterns of pyroxene populations in the ultrabasic alkaline dikes from the Mantiqueira Range. Each type is identified in the respective field. See the main text for more information. Dotted-contour field in A and dashed-contour field in D are related to garnet lherzolite clinopyroxenes and orthopyroxenes, respectively, following Lesnov (2010). C1-chondrite composition from McDonough and Sun (1995).



**Figure 7.** Clinopyroxene crystal stratigraphy. Each petrographic population is represented by differences in background colors of the diagram: A-subtypes are colorless, B-subtypes are green, C-type is the pale-pinkish to pale brown Ti-augite, and D-type is colorless orthopyroxene. Red bullets are xenocrystic mantled phases, blue bullets are antecrystic mantle phases, and black bullets are phenocryst mantling phases.

# Phlogopite

Although common in the matrix of lamprophyres and phonolitic tephrite, phlogopite macrocrysts were described in only two samples (Figs. 3G and 3H). In camptonite, these macrocrysts are anhedral, have concentric zoning and are associated with kaersutite, anhedral pyroxene and olivine pseudomorphs. In the phonolitic tephrite sample, however, a single isolated phlogopite macrocryst is present with rounded anhedral habit, and sector zoning. All crystals analyzed are classified as titanian phlogopites, with very restricted Mg# [100\*Mg/ (Mg + Fe²+): 72–80] values (Tabs. A9 and A10 — Suppl. Material A). They present high Ba (4,908–1,4761 ppm), Sr (3,23–761 ppm), and Rb (253–407 ppm) contents coupled with low Y (0.16–7.09 ppm) values.

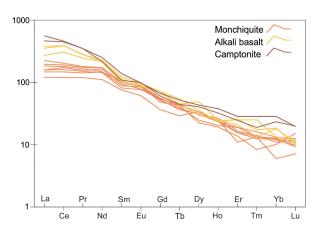
# Whole-rock geochemistry

Whole-rock geochemical analysis (Suppl. Material B; cf. Azzone et al. 2018) indicate that the studied dikes are ultrabasic (< 45wt% SiO<sub>2</sub>), have alkaline affinity (Irvine and Baragar 1971) with normative nepheline and olivine, and present high MgO (5.1 wt%) and TiO<sub>2</sub> (3.9-wt%). While some alkali basalt and lamprophyres present potassic affinity (which prevails in the Serra do Mar Alkaline Province), others are of sodic affinity and belong to a strongly silica-undersaturated series (Azzone et al. 2018). The phonolitic tephrite dike shows ultrapotassic affinity  $(K_2O > 3 \text{ wt\%}, MgO > 3 \text{wt\%}, \text{ and } K_2O/Na_2O > 2 \text{ wt\%};$ Foley et al. 1987); quite unusual in the province (Garda 1995, Valente 1997, Marins 2012, Rosa 2017). Chondrite-normalized REE patterns are sub-parallel, with an abundance of light over heavy elements. REE concentrations are higher in the ultrapotassic phonolitic tephrite, followed by lamprophyres and alkali basalts.

## DISCUSSION

## Crystal-liquid equilibrium

The diversity and distribution of macrocryst populations (types and subtypes) in mafic dikes of the Mantiqueira region are thought to derive from distinct magma-types and/or different



**Figure 8.** C1-chondrite-normalized signatures of amphiboles in the ultrabasic alkaline dikes from the Mantiqueira range. C1-chondrite composition from McDonough and Sun (1995).

evolution processes. In order to understand the origin of each type and subtype, their equilibrium relationships with the host magmatic melt must be established. Subsequently, petrological studies will trace magmatic processes responsible for their genesis.

The mineral-melt equilibrium relationship can be geochemically modeled from crystals and host liquid compositions (Putirka 2008). The matrix composition may be considered the best estimate of the magmatic melt for porphyritic subvolcanic rocks. Recent studies evaluate that the bulk rock composition of a porphyritic subvolcanic rock corresponds to the sum of the high crystal cargo (some of them recycled and in disequilibrium with the magmatic melt) and the magmatic liquid represented by the fine-grained to aphanitic matrix (Ubide et al. 2012, Menezes et al. 2015). In this way, mass balance calculations were performed in order to exclude the influence of the macrocrysts on the whole-rock geochemistry, according to the Equation 1 of Ubide et al. (2012):

$$X_{M}^{i} = \frac{X_{R}^{i} - \sum (X_{C}^{i} * p)}{1 - \sum p}$$
 (1)

In which:

X = the concentration of the chemical element (i) in the wholerock (R), in its matrix (M), and in a crystal (C), with p representing the modal value of the mineral phase.

A modal discount of 0.1 was applied to Ti-augite and kaersutite once they present features suggestive of mineral-melt equilibrium (*i.e.*, glomeroporphyritic texture, euhedral habit and normal zoning). Those phases would therefore correspond to phenocrysts and their volume shall not be subtracted from the whole-rock geochemistry. For the other mineral species present, the average composition of each type of macrocryst was calculated (Suppl. Material C).

Once the influence of macrocrysts was discounted, the representative composition of the host liquid could be established (Suppl. Material C). The calculated melts presented basanitic and tephritic compositions, with Mg# [MgO/(MgO + FeO), mol. proportions] ranging from 42 to 68. Partition between Fe $_2$ O $_3$  and FeO of the calculated melt was obtained using the MELTS algorithm (Asimow and Ghiorso 1998), assuming a quartz-fayalite-magnetite (QFM) buffer for each sample. Mineralogical composition and empirical tests using 1,100-1,200°C and 0.5-1 kbar were considered in the selection of buffers. Using loss on ignition (LOI) as reference, the amount of volatiles corresponds to 1.5–2.6 wt.%  $\rm H_2O$  and 0.5–1.1 wt.%  $\rm CO_2$ .

The usual method for estimating the chemical composition of crystals in equilibrium with their host liquid consists in the application of cation-exchange equilibrium constants. In mafic igneous rocks, FeO and MgO exchanges between the magmatic liquid and ferromagnesian minerals are experimentally quantified and applied to geochemical models of crystal-liquid equilibrium (Putirka 2008 and references therein) as (Eq. 2):

$$MgO_{_{crystal}} + FeO_{_{liquid}} \longleftrightarrow MgO_{_{liquid}} + FeO_{_{crystal}}$$

$$Kd(Fe - Mg)^{C-L} = \frac{X_{Fe}{}^{C}X_{Mg}{}^{L}}{X_{Mg}{}^{C}X_{Fe}{}^{L}}$$
(2)

In which

X = the composition of Fe<sup>2+</sup> and Mg<sup>2+</sup> in crystal (C) or liquid (L); Kd (Fe – Mg)<sup>C-L</sup> = the diffusion exchange constant between both forms.

Thus, a crystalline composition in equilibrium with the magmatic liquid can be calculated from the liquid composition and the partition coefficient. By indicating a Kd error range, a compositional interval that closely represents a state of chemical equilibrium is obtained.

Different Fe-Mg exchange constants between the minerals of interest and alkaline mafic liquids were compiled from the literature:  $Kd_{Fe-Mg}^{ol/liq}=0.312\pm0.03$  (Azzone *et al.* 2013) for olivine,  $Kd_{Fe-Mg}^{spx/liq}=0.26\pm0.03$  (Akinin *et al.* 2005) for clinopyroxene,  $Kd_{Fe-Mg}^{amp/liq}=0.38\pm0.05$  for amphibole, and  $Kd_{Fe-Mg}^{phl/liq}=0.34\pm0.05$  for phlogopite (LaTourrette *et al.* 1995).

Equilibrium relations are shown in binary dispersion diagrams of crystal versus liquid Mg# (Figs. 9 and 10). Close-to-equilibrium compositional intervals (dashed lines) discriminate phenocrysts from antecrysts and/or xenocrysts. Crystalline compositions in chemical disequilibrium with the host liquid were observed in all mafic minerals. Xenocrysts were distinguished from antecrysts by the integration of features such as habit, modal content, zoning style, resorption, re-equilibrium, and crystallization textures and the composition of major, minor and trace elements in mineral species. Crystalline compositions in equilibrium with the magmatic liquid are representative of C-type clinopyroxenes (at least part of these) (Fig. 9) and amphibole from the most evolved alkali basalts (Fig. 10B), which compose the matrix of dikes. Therefore, the genetic differences among macrocrystic populations found in the dikes from the Mantiqueira range are discussed below.

## Xenocrysts

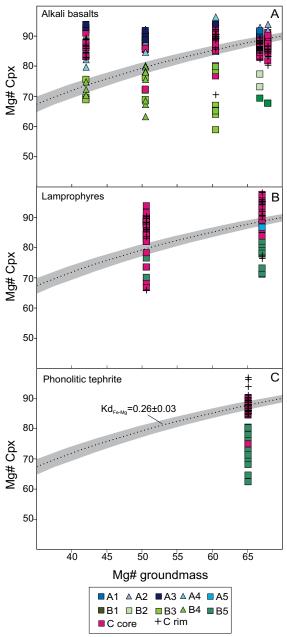
Based on textural controls, compositional crystal-liquid disequilibrium relations (Figs. 9 and 10), and trace-element signatures, different populations of xenocrysts were assigned for the dikes of the Mantiqueira range: Type-1 olivine, A1-, B1- and B2-subtypes and D-type of pyroxenes. All these types and subtypes are representative of cores of macrocrysts. Type-1 olivine, chromium diopside from A1-subtype, enstatite (D-type), olivine (type-1), chromium diopside (A1-subtype) and green-core B1-subtype are found exclusively in the alkali basalt dikes, whereas the B2-subtype is found in alkali basalts and phonolitic tephrite dike. Type-1 olivine and A1-subtype chromium diopside and D-type enstatite can be assigned to a mantle origin, while the B1- and B2-subtypes can be related to lower crust levels.

Some type-1 olivine cores yield concentrations of Ca  $(<700\,\mathrm{ppm})$  and Ti  $(<70\,\mathrm{ppm})$  that resemble mantle xenocrysts, as well as high Fo (>90), following the criteria of Foley *et al.* (2013). Type-1 olivine crystals have rounded anhedral habit and with embayment texture, indicating that they were in

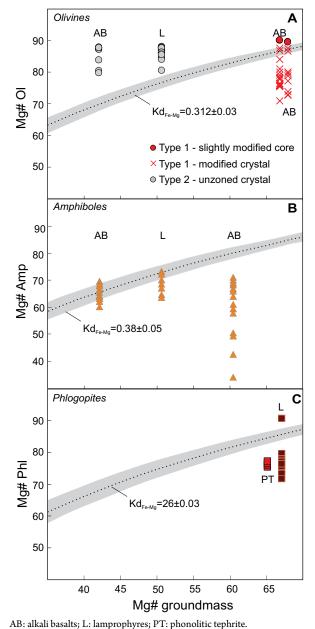
disequilibrium with the host magma and confirming a xenocrystic origin. Chemically, the compositional overlapping of some portions of type-1 olivine crystals with the chemical equilibrium interval of alkali basalt and lamprophyre matrices (Fig. 10A) can be assigned to Fe-Mg diffusive exchanges, probably related to sub-solidus diffusive processes.

A1–type clinopyroxene cores in alkali basalt show the highest Mg# (87–88) and lowest Ti/Al ratios (< 0.125) of the cases studied, indicating high crystallization pressure (Thy 1991). Such values are also observed in chromium-bearing diopside crystals from mantle xenoliths in alkali basalts

(Pilet *et al.* 2002, Jankovics *et al.* 2016). A1-type cores also have more primitive compositions than those expected for equilibrium crystallization with the hosting liquid (Fig. 9). The Cr,  $^{VI}$ Al,  $^{IV}$ Al Na, Ti, and Mg# values of these macrocrysts (Figs. 5C-5F) widely overlap those observed in clinopyroxenes from the lithospheric mantle (Jankovics *et al.* 2013 and references therein). The Al+Cr-Na-K < 0.05 (Read *et al.* 2004) and [Ca/(Ca + Mg + Fe)] < 0.46 (Grütter 2009) criteria indicate an origin of A1-subtype xenocrysts from garnet-bearing mantle rocks. The low concentration of  $\Sigma$ REE (18.8–23.5 ppm) and the flat chondrite-normalized signature are also similar to



**Figure 9.** Clinopyroxene-melt equilibrium diagrams for (A) alkali basalts, (B) alkaline lamprophyres, and (C) phonolitic tephrite from the Mantiqueira range. The curves represent the range in which mineral and melt compositions are in equilibrium based on iron-magnesium exchange coefficients (Akinin *et al.* 2005). The Mg#  $[Mg/(Mg + Fe_T)]$  concentration of the melt was calculated from whole-rock compositions after discounting the macrocryst cargo influence, representing groundmass melts of each rock-type.



**Figure 10.** Mineral-melt equilibrium diagrams for (A) olivines, (B) amphiboles, and (C) phlogopites from the ultrabasic alkaline dikes from Mantiqueira range. The curves represent the range in which mineral and melt compositions are in equilibrium based on iron-magnesium exchange coefficients (Azzone *et al.* 2013, LaTourrette *et al.* 1995). The Matt [1905] Mg/(Mg + Fg<sup>2+</sup>)] consentration of the

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those of clinopyroxenes from garnet lherzolite and garnet-spinel lherzolite facies (Lesnov 2010; Fig. 6A). This occurrence corroborates the proposition of garnet lherzolite sources for the mafic alkaline occurrences over the region (Azzone *et al.* 2018).

D-type enstatite cores are also considered xenocrysts. The saturation in silica, re-equilibrium and recrystallization features of enstatite (D-type) cores corroborate their unlikely genesis from alkaline magmas. REE distribution patterns normalized by the C1-chondrite are similar to those of lherzolite orthopyroxenes from the Lizard complex, Cornwall (Lesnov 2010; Fig. 6C), although somewhat more REE-enriched than those. These characteristics point to an origin outside the magmatic system, possibly incorporated from mantle or lower crustal rocks.

B1- and B2-subtype cores are also considered xenocrysts. They are enclosed by the same groundmass as the other xenocryst populations, with which they share the low Ti/Al ratio (< 0.125), like to A1-subtype. They have more evolved compositions than those expected for equilibrium crystallization with the hosting liquid (Fig. 9). Moreover, B1 and B2 cores show VIAI/IVAI ratios (0.64–1.08) distinctly higher than other B-subtypes (up to 0.49), closer to those of A1 xenocrysts (0.52–0.74), thus indicating deeper crystallization levels. B1 and B2 show Cr, Na, Ti, Mg#, VIAI, and IVAI values with good correspondence with clinopyroxenes from lower crustal mafic granulite xenoliths (Figs. 5C-5F). Besides, their compositions overlap those of the green cores described by Jankovics *et al.* (2013), interpreted as xenocrysts derived from lower crustal levels (mafic granulites).

In the Serra do Mar Alkaline Province, just xenocrysts and xenoliths of spinel-lherzolite facies had been described in one alkaline lamprophyric dike on the northern coast of São Paulo (Almeida 2009). Our study represents the first report of mantle and lower crust xenocrysts in the Mantiqueira range, also the first recognition of mantle xenocrysts from garnet-bearing levels on the Province.

## Antecrysts

The antecrysts mainly consist of macrocryst zones that are cogenetic to the magmatic system but formed by open-system magmatic processes. Based on chemical (Figs. 9 and 10) and textural disequilibrium relationships with the host magmatic melt, a main antecryst assemblage is designed for the studied dikes: A3- A5-, B3-, B5-cores subtypes and some C-types clinopyroxenes, Type-2 olivine, amphibole, and phlogopite.

A3- and A5-cores (Mg#: 78–84) are compositionally similar to the clinopyroxenes of the more primitive cumulatic rocks from the nearby mafic-ultramafic Ponte Nova massif (Figs. 5A and 5B; Azzone 2008, Azzone *et al.* 2016), while the chemical compositions of B3- and B5-cores (Mg#: 47–68) trend toward the clinopyroxenes from Ponte Nova evolved felsic rocks (Fig. 5A; Azzone 2008). Core-subtypes of both groups occur in the same samples and they do not present textural (rounded, corroded cores) and chemical (Fig. 9) equilibrium with the host matrix. A3- and A5-subtypes have more primitive compositions, whereas B3- and B5-cores present more evolved ones than those expected to be crystallized in equilibrium with host groundmass (Fig. 9), allowing their interpretation as antecrysts.

In most cases, these antecrystic cores are enclosed by intermediate zones of a different subtype (A4 and B4) through normal or reverse step zoning. A2-intermediate zones seem to be restricted to the mantling of xenocrysts. These intermediate zones could be generated by crystallization (mantling) or intracrystalline diffusion, considering that C-type phenocryst mantle all macrocrysts. For most cases, A2-, A4, and B4 can be considered antecrysts, due to its chemical disequilibrium with the host liquid (Fig. 9). Some zones of B4-subtype, however, present compositions in equilibrium with the more evolved compositions of alkali basalts, being those classified as phenocrysts. Then, antecryst cores crystallized from different alkaline magmas (with more primitive compositions for A and more evolved for B) are found on the same samples, with A-type cores enclosed by B-type intermediate zones or viceversa (in both cases in disequilibrium with the host matrix), suggesting magma mixing processes.

Type-2 olivine as well as part of C-type clinopyroxexes are not in chemical equilibrium with evolved alkali basalts and lamprophyres. Clusters of olivines and C-type pyroxenes are found in these rocks (Fig. 3C), suggesting concomitant crystallization. Thus, they can be referred to as antecrysts, although most of C-type overgrowths, individual crystals, and rims have another origin, as discussed in item 5.4.

Kaersutite and pargasite macrocrysts are sporadic in the most primitive alkali basalts and they are not in chemical equilibrium with the matrix, thus being considered antecrysts (Fig. 10B). In phonolitic tephrite, macrocrysts of B5-subtype clinopyroxene and phlogopite do not present chemical equilibrium with the host magmatic liquid (both are more evolved than the expected equilibrium compositions), being therefore interpreted as antecrysts (Figs. 9C and 10C). Phlogopite in lamprophyres also present more evolved compositions than those in equilibrium with the liquid and are considered antecrysts too (Fig. 10C).

## Phenocrysts

The main phenocryst assemblage of the studied dikes is represented by Ti-augite (as final overgrowths on antecrysts) and kaersutite (as euhedral to subhedral macrocrysts composing the dike matrix). They both mostly present compositions close to the chemical equilibrium with the matrix of the studied dikes, indicating their phenocrystic character.

All C-type crystals are widespread in the different mafic alkaline dikes, presenting similar petrographic character and chemical trends, with Ti/Al ratios greater than 0.25. Such characteristic suggests a shallower crystallization environment when compared to other clinopyroxene antecrysts and xenocrysts (Thy 1991). The association of C-type antecrysts with olivine antecrysts in crystalline aggregates (glomeroporphyritic texture) leads to the hypothesis of these having occupied the same magmatic chamber previously to the crystallization of C-type phenocrysts in the magmatic system.

Kaersutite is the main mafic phase in the monchiquite and in the most evolved alkali basalts. These are euhedral and subhedral crystals and are in chemical equilibrium with the host matrix (Fig. 10C), being classified as phenocrysts. Kaersutite phenocrysts occur in the association of C-type clinopyroxene phenocrysts, and in the same samples that present clusters of C-type and type-2 olivine antecrysts. It is suggested that the crystallization of the titaniferous amphiboles is consistent with a same shallow magmatic level of formation, albeit latter than the formation olivine and C-type antecrysts, and phenocrysts.

# Mixing of alkaline magmas and antecryst populations

According to complex plumbing system models (Marsh 2006, Jerram and Martin 2008, Ubide et al. 2014a, 2014b, Cashman et al. 2017, Burchardt 2018, Jerram and Bryan 2018), magmas generated at different depths in the lithosphere would ascent, be stored and consolidated through an internally connected magmatic system composed of a channel network similar to pipelines. Such connections promote interactions among different magmas and host rocks, allowing cogenetic or captured crystals (antecrysts or xenocrysts, respectively) to be efficiently recycled during magma ascent through the lithosphere. Those interactions are recorded by complex zoning patterns and by a diversity of crystal types and mineral populations in subvolcanic and volcanic rocks, as in alkaline ultrabasic dikes of western Mantiqueira range. Mixing and mingling processes are expected to take place in such complex systems.

Batches of distinct magmas with contrasting compositions and already carrying a certain amount of early formed or transported crystals may interact along the plumbing system. As a result, a hybrid magmatic liquid in chemical disequilibrium with the host crystals (antecrysts or xenocrysts) is generated (e.g., Ubide et al. 2014a, Jankovicks et al. 2016). Xenocrysts and antecrysts can be considered the main pieces of evidence of magma evolution stages prior to the arrival at final consolidation sites (Ubide et al. 2014a). In the alkaline ultrabasic dikes of western Mantiqueira range, populations of clinopyroxene antecrysts suggest the important role of magma mixing processes during rock formation. The compositional differences among clinopyroxene antecryst populations allow them to be understood as minerals crystallized from different alkaline magmas, as mafic and felsic poles are identified. So, A-type zones present compositional trends related to alkaline mafic-ultramafic magmas identified in the region (e.g., basanites and tephrites; Brotzu et al. 2005, Azzone et al. 2018). On the other hand, B-type macrocrysts show substitution trends compatible with clinopyroxenes of felsic alkaline magmas (e.g., phonolites and trachyte; Brotzu et al. 1997, Melluso et al. 2017). Compatible with the scenario of interaction of mafic and felsic alkaline magmas, A-type cores are surrounded by B-type intermediate zones, while B-type cores are surrounded by A-type compositions (Figs. 4B, 4C and 4E). Such features suggest that both magmas (each responsible for the crystallization of a different group of antecrysts) interacted early along the plumbing system. A differentiation stage subsequent to the mafic-felsic magmas interaction is indicated by the late overgrowth of C-type rims, presumably crystallized in a shallower environment with greater melt homogeneity (Fig. 4).

Mixing between partially crystallized magmas of different chemical compositions would lead to the generation of a hybrid liquid. As such, its composition would be intermediate between the mixture poles (or end-members), with an inherited population of antecrysts from each component. In order to test the hybrid chemical composition of the host liquid, partition coefficients of clinopyroxene/mafic alkaline magmas and of clinopyroxene/felsic alkaline magmas were compiled from the literature for different trace elements. The concentrations of a trace element in an early magmatic liquid (and, consequently, the composition of the liquid itself) can be estimated from the concentrations of the same elements in antecrysts and their partition coefficients between antecrysts and host liquids (Eq. 3):

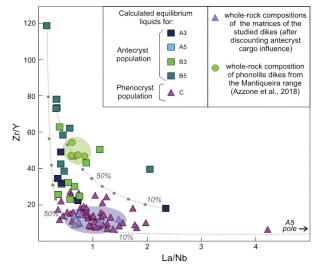
$$Kd_i^{C/L} = \frac{Xi^C}{Xi^L} \tag{3}$$

In which:

X = the concentration of an element (i) in the antecryst (C) and in the liquid (L).

Liquid compositions were calculated for A- and B-type antecrysts, considering the trace element concentrations presented in supplementary material A (Tab. A6). La, Nb, Zr, and Y were the incompatible trace elements chosen for calculation. The ratios among these elements help minimize any influence by fractional crystallization processes. The partition coefficients chosen for each type of antecryst are in Table D1 (Suppl. Material D). Additionally, the magmatic liquid in equilibrium with C-type phenocrysts was calculated from a partition coefficient previously established for the dikes of the region (Ambrosio and Azzone 2018).

The extreme magmatic liquid compositions from which the different subtypes of antecrysts crystallized were used as poles (A3, A5, B5). Simple mixture curves of two components were plotted on binary diagrams (Fig. 11).



**Figure 11.** Diagram of La/Nb vs Zr/Y for the calculated liquids in equilibrium with each clinopyroxene antecryst type found in the alkaline ultrabasic dikes from the Mantiqueira range. Binary mixing-model curves are also shown to indicate the interaction between mafic and felsic magma composition during the complex plumbing system.

Compositions were modeled under PETROMODELER software (Ersoy 2013) according to the mixing equation of Powell (1984) as (Eq. 4):

$$C_m = X(C_a - C_b) + C_b \tag{4}$$

In which:

C = the concentration of the element in the hybrid magma (m) and mixture poles (a and b);

X =the mixture rate.

In the mixing of alkaline mafic (alkali basalt, basanite) and felsic (phonolite, trachyte) magmas from which the different types of antecrysts crystallize, the composition of the hybrid host liquid (represented by the dike matrix) is expected to coincide with the mixing curve at some point between the poles. Figure 11 shows the compositional contrasts given by Zr/Y and La/Nb ratios between mafic and felsic liquids calculated from antecrysts. Figure 11 also indicates that the calculated liquid composition in equilibrium with the phenocryst population overlaps the dike matrices compositions (after discounting the antecryst cargo influence) as well as their mixing curves. Overlapping is also observed between the composition of the aphanitic phonolites of the western Mantiqueira range (Azzone et al. 2018) and the scattering of equilibrium liquids calculated from B-type antecrysts, corroborating that these antecrysts were crystallized from felsic alkaline magmas.

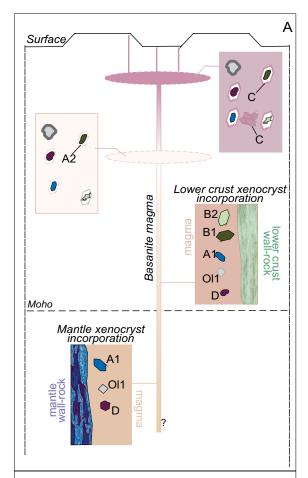
Therefore, the mixing process modeled between mafic and felsic alkaline liquids (from which the clinopyroxene populations of western Mantiqueira range alkaline dikes derive) replicates the hybrid composition of the hosting matrix. Additionally, this modeling shows that the simplified petrological classification of the antecrysts into two groups (A and B) is consistent.

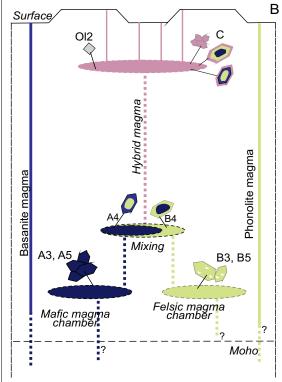
# Reconstruction of the magmatic plumbing system

The mafic macrocryst populations of the magmatic system associated with alkaline dikes of the Mantiqueira range record complex processes, including:

- incorporation of xenocrysts of mantle source region;
- mixing/mingling between mafic and felsic alkaline magmas;
- crystal-liquid fractionation at lower depths.

Figure 12 summarizes a conceptual sketch plumbing system model for the studied bodies, following the petrographic and compositional data offered by xenocrysts and antecrysts. The alkali basalts are responsible for capturing Cr-diopside xenocrysts (A1-subtype), olivine (type 1), and enstatite (D-type). Some xenocrysts are of mantle origin, such as A1-subtype clinopyroxene (compatible with garnet and garnet-spinel lherzolite facies depths), type 1 olivine and, possibly, D-type orthopyroxene (Fig. 12A). Other xenocrysts have affinities with lower crust levels, such as B1- and B2-subtypes of clinopyroxene. In alkali basalt, alkaline lamprophyre and phonolitic tephrite dikes, the complex





**Figure 12.** Schematic cartoons of the proposed model for the ascent history of ultrabasic alkaline magmas of the Mantiqueira range following (A) xenocrystic and (B) antecrystic petrographic and compositional data. In A, enlargements of the ascent path show the dominant processes (see text for details) in each level of ascension. In B, the complex plumbing system is indicated, considering mixing process between mafic and felsic alkaline magmas during the ascent history. The figure is not to scale. Mineral types follow the description in the main text and table 2.

population of clinopyroxene antecrysts is explained by the mixture of mafic and felsic alkaline magmas (Fig. 12B). In this sense, the differences in the chemical evolution of the described antecryst types are compatible with variations in the proportions of mixture between the poles. After these early-stages, xenocrysts and antecrysts are transported and recycled to a new magmatic-stage at lower depths. This shallower stage is well marked by:

- C-type overgrowths in A- and B-type antecrysts and xenocrysts;
- the presence of C-type pyroxene as the main mafic crystal in the matrix or as aggregates with type 2 olivine antecrysts.

Along with the abundance of euhedral clinopyroxene, the glomeroporphyritic texture between Ti-augite and olivine suggests a shallower chamber stage of the magmatic system. The presence of Ti-rich kaersutite and pargasite antecrysts following Ti-augite formation could be related to this shallow chamber environment. This would be the last magmatic-stage prior to the ascent to the final emplacement site along Mantiqueira range escarpments. The complexity of the system is further increased considering the role of more sporadic kaersutite and phlogopite antecrysts, which would require further studies.

An important implication of better understanding the regional scenario is related to the whole-rock geochemical signatures of these lithotypes. Previous studies addressing the whole-rock compositions of primitive dikes in the region (e.g., Thompson et al. 1998, Brotzu et al. 2005, Azzone et al. 2018) made several considerations regarding mantle sources based on incompatible trace elements ratios, including those of Mantiqueira range dikes. Albeit their primitive whole-rock composition, the present study shows that such bodies record mainly open-system petrological processes. Geochemical inferences on mantle sources and their heterogeneities would only be considered robust if the evolution processes were already well constrained and the influence of macrocrysts (their composition and volume) on the overall composition were considered (e.g., Ubide et al. 2015, Menezes et al. 2015). The restricted amount of macrocrysts in alkaline dikes of the Mantiqueira range does not significantly influence these compositions (Menezes et al. 2015, Ambrosio and Azzone 2018). However, the present study shows that the compositions of the matrix (liquids) are compatible with hybrid liquids representative of different contribution rates between primitive (alkali basalt, basanite) and evolved (phonolite, trachyte) pole compositions. Thus, special care should be taken when whole-rock signatures are considered

and a detailed petrographic and mineralogical study is recommended to better understand these magmatic types, which, although not very significant in terms of modal amounts, are of great petrological complexity.

## CONCLUSIONS

Based on different chemical approaches and detailed petrographic characterization of the mafic alkaline dikes of the Mantiqueira range, it can be concluded that:

- Among the mafic macrocrysts described, different populations of xenocrysts (type-1 olivine, D-type pyroxene and A1-, B1-, and B2-subtypes of clinopyroxene), antecrysts (type 2 olivine; A2-, A3-, A4-, A5-, B3-, B4-, B5-subtypes, and C-type clinopyroxenes; kaersutite and pargasite; phlogopite), and phenocrysts (C-type clinopyroxene, kaersutite) were characterized;
- For the first time, mantle xenocrysts are reported in the
  western portion of the Mantiqueira range. The data obtained
  are of utmost importance to the geology and petrogenesis
  of the Serra do Mar Alkaline Province, once it confirms
  mantle regions of garnet- and/or garnet-spinel lherzolite
  facies as probable magma sources;
- The mixing of mafic and felsic alkaline magmas is indicated and modeled from clinopyroxene antecryst populations of olivine-basalt and lamprophyre alkaline dikes. The matrices of the dikes correspond to hybrid liquids of the mixing of mafic and felsic alkaline magmatic poles;
- The processes of magma mixing and incorporation of xenocrysts (from the mantle source and/or host rocks) efficiently explain the complex petrographic and chemical features present in alkaline mafic magmas of the Mantiqueira range as a Complex Magma Plumbing System.

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