

1 **High pressure experimental investigation of clinopyroxene dissolution in a K-basaltic melt**

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25 **Abstract**

26 Dissolution of clinopyroxene (cpx) in a K-basaltic melt from the Campi Flegrei Volcanic District  
27 (Italy) has been investigated through dissolution and dissolution-crystallization experiments at  
28 pressure of 0.8 GPa, superliquidus temperature of 1350 °C, and dwell times between 0.5 and 1  
29 h. The obtained dissolution rates range from  $7.9 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ cm s}^{-1}$  to  $6.1 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ cm s}^{-1}$  as a function of  
30 dwell time. In the dissolution-crystallization experiment (1300 °C; 0.8 GPa; 2 h), the formation  
31 of overgrowth rims accompanied by new cpx crystals suggests that the injection of recharge  
32 magmas in basaltic reservoir may lead to inverse or oscillatory zonation. The interaction between  
33 cpx and K-basaltic melt at ~1570 °C was studied by in situ radiography using synchrotron  
34 radiation combined with the Paris-Edinburgh press. This resulted in cpx resorption to occur  
35 depending on the temperature conditions with respect to the liquidus temperature of the cpx  
36 ( $T_{\text{cpxL}}$ ). The calculated cpx dissolution rates are  $\sim 5 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ cm s}^{-1}$  at  $T \leq T_{\text{cpxL}}$  and  $\sim 3 \cdot 10^{-2} \text{ cm s}^{-1}$  at  
37  $T \geq T_{\text{cpxL}}$ . The role of crystal dissolution in the estimation of magma residence times has been  
38 also tested for a natural magmatic system by interpolating the dissolution rates ( $\sim 10^{-5}$ - $10^{-6} \text{ cm s}^{-1}$ )  
39 with the textural data of cpx phenocrysts from the Agnano-Monte Spina pyroclastic deposit at  
40 Campi Flegrei caldera (Campanian region, Italy). Results from calculations indicate that the time  
41 required for partial or complete resorption of phenocrysts varies from ~0.5 to ~40 h, and that the  
42 effect of crystal dissolution may be relevant to estimate magma residence times whether  
43 significant dissolution occurs during magma mixing processes.

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46 crystallization process; Campi Flegrei

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48 **1. Introduction**

49 Dissolution is a fundamental process in igneous petrology and it often occurs, for instance,  
50 during xenolith and/or xenocryst digestion by magma assimilation and transport processes (e.g.,  
51 Edwards and Russell, 1998). The knowledge of dissolution kinetics of minerals is important to  
52 provide information and model the crystal-liquid interaction during melt transport (Kelemen,  
53 1990; Navon and Stolper, 1987; Reiners, 1998). Among the studies available in literature on  
54 mineral dissolution in silicate melts, those focusing on clinopyroxene (cpx) are few (Chen and  
55 Zhang, 2009; Kuo and Kirkpatrick, 1985a; Kutolin and Agafonov, 1978; Scarfe et al., 1980; Van  
56 Orman and Grove, 2000; Zhang et al., 1989) (Fig. 1), and only those by Brearley and Scarfe  
57 (1986) and Scarfe et al. (1980) report data on cpx dissolution in alkali basaltic compositions.  
58 Crystal dissolution in silicate melts can be controlled by interface reaction and mass transfer,  
59 with this latter mechanism being both convective (e.g., Kerr, 1995; Liang, 2003; Zhang and Xu,  
60 2003) and diffusive (e.g., Liang, 1999; Zhang et al., 1989). Crystal dissolution in nature often  
61 occurs under convective conditions driven by density differences between crystals and melt, or  
62 density differences between interface and far-field melts (e.g., Chen and Zhang, 2009, 2008;  
63 Kerr, 1995; Shaw, 2000). Convective dissolution has been investigated in some early  
64 experimental works (e.g., Brearley and Scarfe, 1986; Donaldson, 1985; Kuo and Kirkpatrick,  
65 1985b) showing that the dissolution rate does not depend on the crystallographic orientation but  
66 scales with dwell time. However, as pointed out by Zhang et al. (1989), convective dissolution  
67 cannot be used to quantify chemical diffusivities, and the application of dissolution rate is  
68 restricted to natural systems with similar convection regimes. To overcome this limitation, more  
69 recently the effects of non-convective dissolution have been investigated (e.g., Finnilla et al.,  
70 1994; Liang, 2000, 1999; Morgan et al., 2006; Shaw, 2006; Watson, 1982; Zhang et al., 1989),  
71 pinpointing that diffusive mass transfer and dissolution rates are inversely proportional to the  
72 square root of time. Generally, the crystal dissolution rate is studied by assuming an effectively

73 semi-infinite or infinite reservoir. However, crystal dissolution measured in a finite geometry  
74 (e.g., partially molten system) can provide useful information about specific magmatic processes  
75 such as melt-rock reactions occurring at the edges of magmatic reservoirs between melt and  
76 cumulitic rocks (e.g., Liang, 2000; Morgan and Liang, 2003; Tursack and Liang, 2012). Melting  
77 and dissolution of minerals are important processes in petrogenesis of igneous rocks (e.g.,  
78 magma genesis by partial melting, assimilation of xenoliths, resorption of minerals during  
79 magma mixing; Tsuchiyama, 1986). As general statement, melting of a crystal occurs when the  
80 temperature is above the liquidus of the crystal phase regardless of whether or not a melt or fluid  
81 is present while “partial melting occurs when the temperature is between the solidus and  
82 liquidus” (Zhang, 2008) of the crystal phase. Dissolution of a crystal requires instead the  
83 presence of a melt or fluid that is undersaturated with the crystal and occurs when the temperature  
84 is below the solidus of the crystal phase. In this study, we report the results from three different  
85 types of experiments: 1) dissolution experiment in a semi-infinite reservoir, 2) dissolution-  
86 crystallization experiment in a finite reservoir, and 3) in situ dissolution experiment at  $T \geq T$   
87 liquidus of clinopyroxene. Through experiments 1) and 2), we investigated clinopyroxene  
88 dissolution and dissolution-crystallization in an alkali basalt at the pressure of 0.8 GPa,  
89 superliquidus temperatures of 1300 and 1350 °C, and dwell times between 0.5 and 2 h. Through  
90 experiment 3), we observed in situ the cpx dissolution at ~1570 °C and 2 GPa. Data obtained  
91 from dissolution experiments were used to quantify crystal dissolution rates in a K-basaltic melt.  
92 Cpx dissolution rates from this study were finally employed to determine phenocryst residence  
93 times and magma chamber dynamics at Campi Flegrei caldera (Campanian region, Italy).

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## 95 **2. Experimental and analytical methods**

### 96 *2.1. Starting materials and experimental design*

97 The starting material for the reacting melts used in this study (Table 1) is a natural rock powder  
98 obtained from a K-basaltic (APR16; D'Antonio et al., 1999) scoria clast included in the deposits  
99 of Solchiaro hydromagmatic eruption (between  $19\pm 6$  ka and  $14\pm 3$  ka; Morabito et al., 2014)  
100 located in Procida Island (Campi Flegrei, Italy). It is characterized by 12 vol.% of forsteritic  
101 olivine (ol) and diopsidic cpx phenocrysts dispersed in a groundmass of ol, cpx, plagioclase  
102 (plg), oxide (ox), alkali feldspar (afs) and glass (D'Antonio et al., 1999; De Astis et al., 2004).  
103 The powder, used as starting material in the APR16-D1Ab run, was obtained by grinding the  
104 APR16 rock sample in an agate mortar under acetone. A synthetic glass, used as starting material  
105 in the other runs, was prepared by melting the APR16 natural powder at 1400 °C and oxygen  
106 fugacity corresponding to the NNO (nickel-nickel oxide) buffer for 15 min in a gas-mixing (CO-  
107 CO<sub>2</sub>) furnace installed at the Bayerisches Geoinstitut (Bayreuth, Germany) (Bonechi, 2020;  
108 Bonechi et al., 2020a, 2020b). The quenched glass, named APR16GL was then ground in an  
109 agate mortar under acetone. The two starting materials were dried at 110 °C for at least 2 h to  
110 remove the moisture before being loaded in the Au<sub>75</sub>Pd<sub>25</sub> capsules. The used clinopyroxenes are  
111 natural homogeneous diopsidic crystals (hereafter cpx Ves;  $W_{O_{48}-En_{46}-Fs_6}$  and  $Mg\# = 0.90$ , with  
112  $Mg\# = MgO/(MgO+FeO_{tot})$  on molar basis by assuming all iron as  $FeO_{tot}$ ) from the 1944  
113 Vesuvius eruption (Morgan et al., 2004) (Table 1). These crystals were chosen because *i*) they  
114 are not in equilibrium with the APR16 melt (Perinelli et al., 2019), thus simulating dissolution  
115 mechanisms due to the effect of temperature change and mixing between magmas with different  
116 degrees of differentiation, and *ii*) can be easily hand-picked as idiomorphic single crystals and  
117 further worked into the desired shape. Thus, cpx crystals were cut and ground in small  
118 parallelepiped shapes ( $\sim 1\times 1\times 0.5$  mm) and polished. For all the experimental runs performed  
119 with the piston cylinder and the Paris-Edinburgh press, we used the same procedure to place the  
120 cpx Ves, with a set up that does not allow to control convection but guarantees isothermal-

121 isobaric conditions. In particular, we packed the bottom of the capsule with a thin layer of  
122 powdered basalt, on which the cpx Ves grain was positioned covered by a further thicker layer  
123 of powdered basalt (Fig. S1 in Online Resource 1). For each experiment, the cpx Ves was  
124 oriented placing it with the c-axis parallel to the bottom of the capsule in the APR16-D1Aa and  
125 APR16-D1Ab runs, and perpendicular to it in APR16-D1A run, in order to point out possible  
126 anisotropies of the cpx–melt interface reaction. The orientation of the crystals was marked by  
127 welding a Pt-wire on the outer wall of capsule. This procedure allowed to recognize possible  
128 shifts from the pristine orientation of crystal during the experiment (see § 2.4. *Analytical*  
129 *methods*). In APR16-D1Ab run, we used a cpx Ves with larger dimensions (1.4x2.2x2.3 mm)  
130 than the other ones, reducing the powdered starting material/cpx Ves ratio (Table 2). This latter  
131 experimental procedure implies a finite geometry system, and the chemical system shifts towards  
132 the cpx composition. The increase of the cpx components activity (i.e., chemical components) in  
133 the melt phase, due to variable cpx dissolution, holds to an increase of the liquidus temperature  
134 of the system (according to the depression of the melting point). Consequently, the system is  
135 forced to stay close to the liquidus temperature and small variations of the melt composition, due  
136 to the diffusion of dissolved components, can produce local crystallization of cpx whose  
137 composition is stable at high temperature (i.e., Mg-rich cpx).

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## 139 *2.2. Experimental procedure*

140 Experiments were performed by using the ½ inch end loaded piston cylinder apparatus (PC) at  
141 the HP-HT Laboratory of the Department of Earth Sciences of Sapienza - University of Rome  
142 (Italy), and the VX-3 Paris–Edinburgh press (PE) at the 16-BM-B beamline (HPCAT) at the  
143 Advanced Photon Source (Argonne National Laboratory, Illinois). Four experiments were  
144 carried out with the PC at the isobaric pressure of 0.8 GPa, dwell times between 0.5 and 2 h, and

145 temperatures of 1300 and 1350 °C, corresponding to  $\Delta T$  of 20 and 60 °C, where  $\Delta T$  ( $T_{\text{experiment}} -$   
146  $T_{\text{liquidus}}$ ) is the difference between the nominal temperature of the runs and the APR16 liquidus  
147 temperature (Table 2). One of the experiments failed and excluded. Temperature conditions were  
148 chosen to be *i*) higher than the liquidus temperature of the basalt (i.e., 1280 °C for the APR16  
149 sample at 0.8 GPa, as reported in Perinelli et al. (2019)) to avoid crystallization in the bulk melt  
150 that disturbs the diffusion and dissolution processes, and *ii*) lower than the melting temperature  
151 of the diopsidic cpx at 0.8 GPa (i.e., 1495 °C for pure diopside, in agreement with Boyd and  
152 England (1960), Williams and Kennedy (1969) and Yoder (1952), as well as 1425 °C for the cpx  
153 Ves calculated using the software MELTS (Ghiorso and Sack (1995)) (Fig. 1; Table 2). The PC  
154 assembly (Fig. S1a in Online Resource 1) consists of an outer CaF<sub>2</sub> cell, graphite furnace and  
155 MgO crushable spacer. Temperature was measured using a D-type W<sub>3</sub>Re<sub>97</sub>-W<sub>25</sub>Re<sub>75</sub>  
156 thermocouple and manually controlled within an uncertainty of  $\pm 5$  °C. Capsules of less 7-mm  
157 long were used in order to maintain the samples in the furnace hot spot. The experimental  
158 assembly was first pressurized to the target pressure by piston-out procedure (Johannes et al.,  
159 1971; Presnall et al., 1978). An overpressure of ~10% was applied with increasing temperature  
160 and corrected for pressure drops due to stress relaxation within the assembly during heating. The  
161 assembly was heated up to the target temperature with a rate of 150 °C min<sup>-1</sup>. The sample was  
162 maintained at the pressure and temperature for a given duration (nominal duration), and then  
163 quenched down by turning off the power. The in situ experiment was performed using the PE  
164 press at 2 GPa, ~1570 °C and dwell time of 4 s (Table 2). The PE cell assembly (Fig. S1b in  
165 Online Resource 1) mainly consists of boron-epoxy (BE) gaskets, MgO ring, ZrO<sub>2</sub> cap, graphite  
166 heater, and BN capsule. Graphite inner capsule was used for silicate melt experiments inside BN  
167 sleeve (Kono et al., 2014a). A ring-shaped BE (boron: epoxy = 4:1 in weight ratio) is used as  
168 gasket with a supporting outer polycarbonate plastic (Lexan) ring. The BE gasket and ZrO<sub>2</sub> caps

169 in the assembly provide good thermal insulation for high temperature experiments. The MgO  
170 ring is placed between BE gasket and graphite heater to increase the stability of the cell assembly  
171 and maintain anvil gap. The MgO ring is also used as the pressure standard, according to the  
172 thermal equation of state by Kono et al. (2010). The pressure uncertainty is  $\pm 0.2$  GPa. The loaded  
173 cell was first brought to the target pressure by a hydraulic system connected to the Paris-  
174 Edinburgh press. After pressurization, the sample was heated rapidly at a rate of  $\sim 100$  °C s<sup>-1</sup>.  
175 The temperature was estimated using the electrical power vs. temperature calibration curve  
176 reported in Kono et al. (2014a) with uncertainty of  $\sim 60$  °C (Kono et al. 2014b). The experiment  
177 was quenched by shutting down the electrical power to the heater.

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### 179 *2.3. Ultrafast X-ray imaging with the Paris Edinburgh press*

180 For the PE experiment, a white X-ray radiography was used to photomicrograph the interior of  
181 the capsule at high pressure. In particular, the dissolution rate of the cpx Ves in the APR16-D1  
182 run was measured by a collimated (1.5x1.5 mm) white X-ray beam and radiographic  
183 photomicrographs captured by a high-speed camera (Photron FASTCAM SA3) with 250 frame  
184 per second (fps) recording time with pixel resolution of 2.5  $\mu\text{m}/\text{pixel}$  (Kono et al. 2014a). The  
185 radiographic photomicrographs were collected during heating of the run until the dissolution of  
186 the cpx Ves was observed. Figure S2 in Online Resource 1 is a radiographic photomicrograph  
187 showing the initial position of the cpx Ves in the middle part of the starting sample, and inside  
188 the graphite cap at the top of the capsule. Movie 1 in Online Resource 2 shows, in real time, the  
189 dissolution of the cpx Ves in the APR16GL melt at 2 GPa and  $\sim 1570$  °C over a time duration of  
190  $\sim 4$  s.

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### 192 *2.4. Analytical methods*



193 The recovered samples were mounted in epoxy resin, ground flat, and polished. Textural features  
194 of the experimental runs were analyzed by scanning electron microscopy (SEM) using a FEI-  
195 quanta 400 equipped for microanalysis with an EDAX Genesis system at the Department of  
196 Earth Sciences of Sapienza - University of Rome and a TESCAN Vega equipped with EDS  
197 (energy dispersive X-ray spectrometry) system at the Institute of Petrology and Structural  
198 Geology of the Charles University in Prague (Czech Republic). We also analyzed the phase  
199 compositions by electron probe micro-analysis (EPMA) using a Cameca SX50 equipped with  
200 five-wavelength dispersive spectrometer (WDS) and installed at CNR - Istituto di Geologia  
201 Ambientale e Geoingegneria in Rome (Italy). A 15 kV accelerating voltage, 15 nA beam current,  
202 and the following standards were used: metals for Mn and Cr, jadeite for Na, wollastonite for Si  
203 and Ca, orthoclase for K, corundum for Al, magnetite for Fe, rhodonite for Mn, rutile for Ti,  
204 periclase for Mg, apatite for P. Counting times were 20 s for elements and 10 s for backgrounds.  
205 Light elements were counted first to prevent loss by alkali migration. Raw data were corrected  
206 using the PAP method. We analyzed minerals using a beam diameter of 1  $\mu\text{m}$ , and glasses (single  
207 spot analyses) with a defocused beam from 10 to 15  $\mu\text{m}$  of diameter. For each experiment,  
208 multiple compositional profiles were measured by using a Jeol JXA-8530F equipped with five  
209 wave dispersive spectrometers (WDS) at the Institute of Petrology and Structural Geology. The  
210 operating conditions were 15 kV and 15 nA beam current. Standards were quartz for Si,  
211 corundum for Al, periclase for Mg, magnetite for Fe, rhodonite for Mn, calcite for Ca, rutile for  
212 Ti, chromium oxide for Cr, albite for Na, apatite for P. Profiles across cracks are re-connected  
213 smoothly. First, we made preliminary profiles by measuring points with a distance of 5  $\mu\text{m}$  and  
214 a beam diameter of 1  $\mu\text{m}$ . Subsequently, to better define the area at the cpx-melt interface, we  
215 made other profiles parallel and close to the first ones using a distance and a beam diameter of 1  
216  $\mu\text{m}$ . Crystallographic orientations of the polished residual cpx Ves were obtained by electron

217 backscatter diffraction (EBSD) at the Institute of Petrology and Structural Geology. EBSD  
218 patterns were collected with an accelerating voltage of 20 kV, beam current 6 nA, working  
219 distance of 33 mm, and tilt angle of 70°. On each cpx Ves, 10 points were analyzed, all of which  
220 produced a good indexed solution for diopside using AZtec software, with a mean angular  
221 deviation  $<0.5^\circ$ . Averaged results are shown in Figures 2, 3 and S3 in Online Resource 1 as  
222 equal-area upper-hemisphere projections of the crystallographic axes.

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### 224 **3. Results**

#### 225 *3.1. Textural and chemical features of the experimental runs*

226 Textural and chemical aspects of the experimental runs are described in the following two  
227 sections: “Dissolution experiments” and “Dissolution-crystallization experiment”. In the first  
228 section we focused on the APR16-D1A, APR16-D1Aa, and APR16-D1 runs. In the second  
229 section, instead, we focused on the APR16-D1Ab run, that is characterized by a more complex  
230 dissolution-crystallization process. The compositions of minerals and those of glasses far from  
231 the residual cpx Ves (at distance  $x \geq 500 \mu\text{m}$ ) for all the runs are reported in Table S1 in Online  
232 Resource 3. Compositional profiles conducted at the interface ( $x = 0 \mu\text{m}$ ) between cpx Ves and  
233 glass for the APR16-D1Aa, APR16-D1A, and APR16-D1Ab runs are reported in the Electronic  
234 Appendix in Online Resource 4. The compositional profiles show that  $\text{SiO}_2$ ,  $\text{MgO}$ , and  $\text{CaO}$  of  
235 the glass increase, whereas  $\text{TiO}_2$ ,  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ ,  $\text{FeO}$ ,  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$ , and  $\text{K}_2\text{O}$  decrease towards the cpx-melt  
236 interface. In the far-field melt, instead, the compositional profiles are flat, and no compositional  
237 gradients can be observed. According to Zhang et al. (1989) and Chen and Zhang (2008, 2009),  
238 we observe a bent profile very close to the cpx-melt interface that can be attributed to the  
239 overgrowth of tiny cpx crystals on the pre-existing crystalline surface at the time of quench (Fig.  
240 A4 of Electronic Appendix in Online Resource 4). The bent part of the profile is indeed

241 consistent with cryptic overgrowth of cpx, as the interface melt becomes supersaturated with  
242 newly-formed cpx crystals during quench (Yu et al. 2016).

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### 244 3.1.1. Dissolution experiments

245 Cpx Ves of APR16-D1Aa run (1350 °C; 0.8 GPa; 0.5 h) shows subrounded edges without  
246 reaction texture. This suggests that dissolution occurred during the experiment according to  
247 Tsuchiyama (1986). One side of the crystal displays some indentations (Fig. S4a in Online  
248 Resource 1). Similarly, in APR16-D1A run (1350 °C; 0.8 GPa; 1 h) the cpx Ves shows a  
249 subrounded shape with indentations on one side, in front of which the formation of ol and ox  
250 occurred (Fig. S4b in Online Resource 1), probably linked to the presence of small inclusions in  
251 the cpx Ves. As regards the APR16-D1 (~1570 °C; 2 GPa) experiment, the radiographic Movie  
252 in Online Resource 2 shows the complete dissolution of cpx Ves. Crystal dissolution starts from  
253 the edges and the corners of the grain, leading to a round shape before its complete  
254 disappearance. The composition of the residual cpx Ves in APR16-D1Aa run (1350 °C; 0.5 h)  
255 does not differ significantly from the original one (Fig. 4). Conversely, the residual cpx Ves in  
256 the APR16-D1A run (1350 °C; 1 h) shows higher Mg# (0.91) and lower TiO<sub>2</sub> (0.29 wt.%), Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>  
257 (1.43 wt.%), and Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (0.22 wt.%) than the original cpx Ves (Table 1 and Table S1 in Online  
258 Resource 3). Concerning the experimental glasses, those analyzed far from the residual cpx Ves  
259 of APR16-D1A and APR16-D1Aa runs have major oxide concentrations similar to those of the  
260 starting material (APR16GL; Fig. 5), while the composition of APR16-D1 glass exhibits higher  
261 Mg# (0.73) and CaO abundances (12.9 wt.%) reflecting the complete dissolution of the cpx Ves  
262 in the melt (Movie 1 in Online Resource 2). The Fe–Mg exchange between cpx Ves (within 50  
263 μm from the edge; Electronic Appendix in Online Resource 4) and melt far from the cpx-melt  
264 interface ( $K_D(\text{Fe-Mg})^{cpx-liq} = \text{Fe}_{cpx} \times \text{Mg}_{liq} / \text{Mg}_{cpx} \times \text{Fe}_{liq}$ , calculated assuming all Fe as Fe<sup>2+</sup> in both

265 phases) for APR16-D1Aa and APR16-D1A runs is  $0.26\pm 0.01$  and  $0.24\pm 0.01$ , respectively. These  
266 values indicate that reacted cpx Ves are in equilibrium with the coexisting melt according to the  
267 equilibrium criteria ( $K_D(\text{Fe-Mg})^{\text{cpx-liq}} = 0.28\pm 0.08$ ) proposed by Putirka (2008). Finally, in the  
268 APR16-D1A experiment, ol and ox crystallize during cpx dissolution. Ol is characterized by a  
269 homogeneous composition ( $\text{Fo}_{93}$ ). Conversely, ox is compositionally zoned, with core enriched  
270 in  $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$  and MgO relative to the magnesioferritic rim. The Fe–Mg distribution coefficient  
271 between ol and melt ( $K_D(\text{Fe-Mg})^{\text{ol-liq}} = \text{Fe}_{\text{ol}}\times\text{Mg}_{\text{liq}}/\text{Mg}_{\text{ol}}\times\text{Fe}_{\text{liq}}$ , calculated assuming all Fe as  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$   
272 in both phases) is  $0.17\pm 0.03$ , thereby in disequilibrium with the melt according to the criteria  
273 ( $K_D(\text{Fe-Mg})^{\text{ol-liq}} = 0.30\pm 0.03$ ) proposed by Putirka (2008) and Roeder and Emslie (1970).

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### 275 3.1.2. Dissolution-crystallization experiment

276 The APR16-D1Ab run (1300 °C; 0.8 GPa; 2 h) exhibits textural features resulting from  
277 dissolution-crystallization processes. In particular, the large cpx Ves displays smoothed edges  
278 on which a 10-50  $\mu\text{m}$ -thick layer (i.e., cpx Ves rim) overgrew (Fig. 6a, b, d). Notably, a  
279 precipitation layer with cellular texture overgrew on the cpx Ves rim along the lateral faces of  
280 the residual crystal (Fig. 6d). Moreover, new euhedral cpx crystals with size up to 200  $\mu\text{m}$  formed  
281 towards the top of the capsule adjacent to the overgrown rim (Fig. 6a, c). Some of these new cpx,  
282 are zoned and, depending on the crystal size and zoning pattern, can be divided in two groups:  
283 group 1-new cpx are characterized by large crystals ( $\sim 100$   $\mu\text{m}$  in size; Fig. 6a) formed by  
284 euhedral layer grown on anhedral cores (up to 30  $\mu\text{m}$  in size), that probably represent restitic of  
285 natural starting material. Group 2-new cpx are characterized by small newly-growing cpx  
286 crystals ( $\sim 20$   $\mu\text{m}$  in size; Fig. 6c) showing concentric oscillatory zoning with euhedral shape.

287 The overgrown rim is a diopside ( $\text{Wo}_{49}\text{En}_{48}\text{Fs}_3$ ; Fig. 4) as for the residual cpx Ves, but with  
288 higher Mg# (0.93 vs. 0.89) and  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  (4.88 wt.% vs. 1.53 wt.%) and lower  $\text{SiO}_2$  (51.16 wt.% vs.

289 53.12 wt.%) contents. In the new zoned cpx crystals both cores and rims are still classified as  
290 diopside ( $W_{O46}\text{-En}_{47}\text{-Fs}_7$  and  $W_{O48}\text{-En}_{48}\text{-Fs}_4$ , respectively; Fig. 4) but their compositions are  
291 distinct from that of the residual cpx Ves. In particular, the cores of the group 1-new cpx have  
292 Mg# (0.88), SiO<sub>2</sub> (49.48 wt.%), and CaO (21.15 wt.%) lower than those of the rims (0.92, 51.21  
293 wt.%, 23.13 wt.%, respectively) (Table S1 in Online Resource 3). Moreover, the crystal cores  
294 are enriched in TiO<sub>2</sub>, Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, FeO, Na<sub>2</sub>O, and Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (Table S1 in Online Resource 3). The group  
295 2-new cpx are characterized by different oxide contents in relationship with the concentric  
296 oscillatory zonations (Fig. 6 and Table S1 in Online Resource 3). Their core composition falls  
297 in the augite field (Morimoto et al., 1998; Fig. 4) next to the boundary with diopside, while the  
298 mantle and the outer parts are both diopside. The gradual increase of CaO (from 20.6 to 22.6 wt.  
299 %) towards the crystal rim is counterbalanced by the decrease of FeO (from 3.7 to 2.6 wt.%).  
300 MgO clearly decreases from the core to the mantle (from ~17 to 15.5 wt.%) and then shows a  
301 limited change (MgO = ~16 wt.%) in the outermost portion (~10 mm far) of the grains, while  
302 the mantles of these new cpx are enriched in Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, TiO<sub>2</sub>, Na<sub>2</sub>O, and Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (Table S1 in Online  
303 Resource 3). Notably, the chemistry of the mantle of the group 2-new cpx and that of the cores  
304 of the group 1-new cpx (i.e., restitic cpx phenocrysts of the APR16-starting material) compare  
305 well with the composition of the cpx crystallized at 0.8 GPa in equilibrium with the APR16  
306 residual melt, as reported in Bonechi et al. (2020a) (Fig. 4; Table S1 in Online Resource 3).  
307 Finally, the composition of the large unzoned new cpx is diopsidic ( $W_{O49}\text{En}_{47}\text{Fs}_4$ ; Fig. 4) and  
308 closely approaches that of the cpx Ves rim and those of the crystal rims from group 1- and group  
309 2-new cpx (Table S1 in Online Resource 3).

310 The chemical composition of the glass in this run is heterogeneous showing marked differences  
311 between the portion near the top of the capsule (hereafter identified as APR16-D1Ab) and that  
312 in the new-cpx zone (i.e., APR16-D1Ab\*). Figure 5 shows that the composition of APR16-D1Ab

313 glass is in the trend outlined by the glasses of the dissolution experiments. Conversely, the  
314 APR16-D1Ab\* glass shows lower SiO<sub>2</sub> (~46 wt.%), TiO<sub>2</sub> (~1 wt.%) and Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (~14 wt.%), as  
315 well as higher Mg# (0.79) and CaO (~18 wt.%) than those of the APR16-D1Ab glass (~50 wt.%,  
316 ~1.2 wt.%, 0.77, ~14 wt.%, respectively). Both glass compositions were used to calculate  $K_D(\text{Fe-}$   
317  $\text{Mg})^{cpx-liq}$  in order to identify the possible equilibrium condition among the different types of cpx  
318 crystallized during this experiment. Using the APR16-D1Ab glass, the obtained values are:  
319 0.38±0.02 for the cpx Ves, 0.25±0.01 for the cpx Ves rim and for the unzoned, new cpx,  
320 0.49±0.03 for the group 1-new cpx core, 0.28±0.01 for the group 1-new cpx rim, 0.40±0.02 for  
321 the group 2-new cpx core, 0.44±0.02 for the group 2-new cpx mantle, and 0.31±0.01 for the  
322 group 2-new cpx rim. Using the APR16-D1Ab\* glass, the obtained values are: 0.44±0.03 for the  
323 cpx Ves, 0.29±0.01 for the cpx Ves rim and for the unzoned, new cpx, 0.56±0.04 for the group  
324 1-new cpx core, 0.33±0.01 for the group 1-new cpx rim, 0.46±0.02 for the group 2-new cpx core,  
325 0.51±0.03 for the group 2-new cpx mantle, and 0.35±0.01 for the group 2-new cpx rim.  
326 According to the equilibrium range of Putirka (2008), the cpx Ves and the new cpx cores are in  
327 disequilibrium with both APR16-D1Ab and APR16-D1Ab\* melts, whereas the cpx Ves rim, the  
328 unzoned, new cpx, group 1- and group 2-new cpx rims are in equilibrium with APR16-D1Ab\*  
329 composition.

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### 331 3.2. Dissolution rates

332 Dissolution rates have been calculated by the difference between initial and final length of cpx  
333 Ves before and after the experiment ( $\Delta r$ ) divided by the time duration of experimental run (e.g.,  
334 Chen and Zhang, 2009). Data reported in Table 3 are  $7.9 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ cm s}^{-1}$  for APR16-D1Aa (1350 °C;  
335 0.8 GPa; 0.5 h) and  $6.1 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ cm s}^{-1}$  for APR16-D1A (1350 °C; 0.8 GPa; 1 h).

336 For the APR16-D1Ab run (1300 °C; 0.8 GPa; 2 h), it was not possible to directly calculate the  
337 dissolution rate due to the effect of crystallization during the experiment. These dissolution rates  
338 are consistent with the convective dissolution rates (from  $10^{-5}$  to  $10^{-7}$  cm s<sup>-1</sup>) obtained by Brearley  
339 and Scarfe (1986) at temperatures (1250-1500 °C),  $\Delta T$  (25-125 °C), pressures (0.5-3 GPa) and  
340 dwell time (0.16-2 h) comparable with those employed in our experiments (Table S2 in Online  
341 Resource 3).

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### 343 *3.3. In situ observation of dissolution*

344 In situ observation of the cpx dissolution in the melt allows to monitor morphological changes  
345 in real time, to determine any orientation effects as well as possible sinking (or floating) due to  
346 density contrast between crystal and melt. In this case the radiographic photomicrographs  
347 collected during the APR16-D1 run (1570 °C; 2 GPa) made possible to estimate the time taken  
348 by the cpx Ves to dissolve and the process through which it occurred. Importantly, quantitative  
349 understanding of the results are challenging because it requires the knowledge of the liquidus  $T$   
350 of both cpx and glass at the  $P$ - $T$  of interest. In addition, attention must be paid at possible  
351 incongruent melting or precipitation of Si-rich droplets during the early partial melting as  
352 reported by Raterron et al. (1995) that might affect the dissolution rate. For this reason, we  
353 decided to conduct this experiment at higher  $P$  compared to the experiments described above to  
354 allow increase of  $T$  (near the liquidus  $T$  of cpx Ves) and, in turn, speed up the dissolution. In  
355 particular, the collected frames allowed to quantify the change of the cpx dimensions as a  
356 function of time. Figure 7 shows that the crystal size decreases with increasing time, following  
357 a non-linear trend characterized by apparent slope increase at around 2.5 s, after which crystal  
358 dissolution proceeds until the complete disappearance of cpx crystal. It is interesting to note that

359 in correspondence of the increase of the slope (after 2.5 s) the crystal loses its euhedrality  
360 developing a sub-rounded morphology.

361 Due to this different behavior, we calculated average dissolution rates of  $4.8 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ cm s}^{-1}$  up to 2.5  
362 s and  $3.2 \cdot 10^{-2} \text{ cm s}^{-1}$  after 2.5 s.

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#### 364 **4. Discussion**

365 Photomicrographs of experimental runs show that cpx dissolution occurs by consumption of  
366 crystalline faces with the formation of subrounded shapes and/or indentations (Fig. S4 in Online  
367 Resource 1). Radiographic Movie from APR16-D1 run documents that the dissolution process  
368 develops by symmetric consumption of the crystalline faces. According to our experimental data,  
369 textural changes typical of patchy, sieve or spongy cpx phenocrysts that often characterize  
370 natural magmatic environments, may be the result not only of mineral dissolution but also of  
371 overgrowth processes (Perinelli et al., 2008; Tsuchiyama, 1986), as observed for example in  
372 natural plagioclase phenocrysts (e.g., Fornaciai et al., 2015; Viccaro et al., 2010). In the  
373 following paragraphs, in situ dissolution, dissolution, and dissolution-crystallization  
374 mechanisms are examined and discussed.

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##### 376 *4.1. In situ dissolution experiment*

377 As it can be seen in Figure 7, the dissolution process seems to be characterized by a faster crystal  
378 dissolution with increasing time. This could depend on the variation of the size of crystal during  
379 the dissolution. However, although small crystals (~0.2 mm of radius) dissolve slightly more  
380 rapidly than the larger ones (~0.6 mm of radius) during convective dissolution or melting (Zhang  
381 and Xu, 2003), the rate difference is not so large. During the in situ experiment a continuous  
382 increase in temperature was performed until no changes were detected through real-time



383 monitoring. Therefore, considering that the thermal diffusivity through the sample is  $\sim 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$   
384 <sup>1</sup> (e.g., Zhang and Sun, 2017) and the distance of the crystal from the heating element is in the  
385 order of  $\sim \text{mm}$ , the time required for thermal diffusion from the element to the crystal is on the  
386 order of the dissolution timescale (i.e.,  $\sim \text{seconds}$ ). This suggests the occurrence of a transition  
387 from dissolution (above the liquidus of the glass but below the cpx solidus) to partial melting  
388 (between the solidus and liquidus of cpx) to melting of cpx (above the liquidus of cpx) as the  
389 sample is heated up. Particularly, the first stage of dissolution occurred when the experimental  
390 temperature on the sample was above the liquidus of the APR16GL ( $T_L \sim 1460 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  at 2 GPa;  
391 Table 2) and below the liquidus of the cpx crystal (i.e.,  $T < 1597 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ; Table 2) while the second  
392 stage of really high dissolution rate occurred at temperature near/above the cpx liquidus  
393 temperature (i.e.,  $T \geq 1597 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ). In this regard, since the nominal temperature of the experiment  
394 has an uncertainty of  $\sim 60 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  as reported by Kono et al. (2014b), it is probable that the actual  
395 temperature on the sample during the last seconds of the Movie 1 was close or a little higher than  
396 the  $T$  liquidus of the cpx Ves (i.e.,  $\sim 1597 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ) causing the rapid and complete disappearance of  
397 the cpx crystal.

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#### 399 *4.2. Dissolution experiments*

400 Cpx dissolution rates from these experiments are comparatively combined with the convective  
401 dissolution data in Brearley and Scarfe (1986) and plotted in Fig. 8 as function of  $\Delta T$  (a) and  
402 temperature (b). Among the data available in literature (e.g., Brearley and Scarfe, 1986; Chen  
403 and Zhang, 2009; Zhang et al., 1989; see Table S2 in Online Resource 3), we considered for the  
404 comparison only the dissolution rates of Brearley and Scarfe (1986) since they are time-  
405 independent convective dissolution rates like those of this study. Conversely, the dissolution  
406 rates by Chen and Zhang (2009) and Zhang et al. (1989) were not considered since they are time-

407 dependent diffusive dissolution rates and cannot be directly compared with time-independent  
408 convective dissolution rates using linear dissolution. As already demonstrated by previous  
409 authors (Brearley and Scarfe, 1986; Chen and Zhang, 2009; Van Orman and Grove, 2000; Zhang  
410 et al., 1989), temperature enhances not only the chemical diffusivity in the melt, but also the  
411 interfacial composition of the melt (which is correlated with  $\Delta T$ ). Both of these contribute to the  
412 dissolution rate by controlling the diffusional flux of the rate controlling component(s). In  
413 particular, the dissolution rate increases with increasing both  $\Delta T$  (Fig. 8a) and  $T$  (Fig. 8b). Thus,  
414 we modelled the dissolution rate as function of  $T$  and  $\Delta T$  by integrating data from this study with  
415 those of Brearley and Scarfe (1986) performed at  $P = 0.5-1$  GPa and  $t = 600-3600$  s (Table S2 in  
416 Online Resource 3), as reported in the following equation valid for  $\Delta T > 0$  :

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$$418 \text{ Log Diss. rate} = 0.0048(\pm 0.0020) * T + 0.0046(\pm 0.0039) * \Delta T - 11.987(\pm 2.450) \quad (1),$$

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420 with  $R^2 = 0.87$  and  $SEE = 0.14$  (where  $R$  is the correlation coefficient and  $SEE$  is the standard  
421 error of estimate; Fig. 8c). The multiple regression analysis showed a very good correlation  
422 between dissolution rate and  $T$  and  $\Delta T$ . For comparable values of  $T$  and  $\Delta T$ , we noted that  
423 pressure does not show any strong influence on the dissolution rate at  $P < 2$  GPa, as also  
424 previously observed for diffusive dissolution by Chen and Zhang (2009). At  $P > 2$  GPa, instead,  
425 the dissolution rate would seem to decrease with increasing pressure.

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427 *4.3. Dissolution-crystallization phenomena*

428 APR16-D1Ab run is characterized by a dissolution-crystallization process due to a low APR16-  
429 powder/cpx Ves ratio (Table 2). As a consequence,  $T_{liquidus}$  of the bulk composition (APR16+cpx  
430 Ves) increases to 1384 °C ( $\Delta T = -84$  °C; Table S3 in Online Resource 3), as estimated by

431 Rhyolite-MELTS software (Asimow and Ghiorso, 1998; Gualda et al., 2012). Textural and  
432 compositional data indicate that the crystallization process is preceded by a dissolution process  
433 (Fig. 6). Figure 9 and Table 4 show a step-by-step schematic model which reconstructs the  
434 process of early cpx Ves dissolution and late formation of new cpx crystals. At the beginning of  
435 the experiment ( $t_0$ ), the system is formed by the cpx Ves and the APR16 starting material which  
436 contains some restitic natural phenocrysts. At  $t_1$ , the dissolution is triggered by the destabilization  
437 of the cpx Ves whose chemistry is in disequilibrium with that of K-basalt at 0.8 GPa (Perinelli  
438 et al. 2019). During cpx Ves dissolution, the diffusion of cations in the melt does not substantially  
439 change the far-field melt composition of APR16, from which new cpx crystal portions (i.e., the  
440 core and mantle of group 2-new cpx; Fig. 9) start to crystallize. Notably, both core and mantle  
441 of group 2-new cpx are in local equilibrium with APR16 melt as testified by the  $K_D(\text{Fe-Mg})^{\text{cpx-}}$   
442  $^{\text{liq}}$  values ( $\sim 0.25$  for the core and  $\sim 0.27$  for the mantle; Fig. S5 in Online Resource 1). At  $t_2$ , the  
443 diffusion of cations in the melt becomes more effective and the composition of APR16 melt  
444 progressively changes. Accordingly, the chemistry of newly-formed cpx crystals also changes,  
445 leading to the formation of a further type of cpx, either as single crystals (unzoned new cpx) or  
446 overgrowth rims (cpx Ves rim, group 1-new cpx and group 2-new cpx rims; Fig. 9). At  $t_3$   
447 (corresponding to the end of the experiment), the bulk system is composed of 1) partially  
448 resorbed cpx Ves characterized by a Ves rim, 2) new cpx crystals both oscillatory and inversely  
449 zoned, 3) unzoned new cpx crystals (Fig. 6), and 4) the inhomogeneous glass. The Mg# value of  
450 glass increases from 0.68 (APR16-Mg# value at  $t_0$ ) to 0.79 near to the residual cpx Ves or to  
451 0.77 at  $\sim 500 \mu\text{m}$  far from it (Table S1 in Online Resource 3). The glass results in equilibrium  
452 with the cpx Ves rim and the new cpx rims ( $K_D(\text{Fe-Mg})^{\text{cpx-liq}} = 0.29-0.35$ ; Fig. S5 and Table S1  
453 in Online Resource 1 and 3, respectively). The effective time lapse during which the dissolution  
454 operates ( $t_1$  step, see above) is unknown. However, a rough time estimation can be provided by

455 using literature data on mineral dissolution rates determined at  $\Delta T$  between 20 and 40 °C (Table  
456 S2 in Online Resource 3), and comparable to  $\Delta T = 20$  °C of APR16-D1Ab run. At these  
457 conditions, the dissolution rate covers a range of values of three orders of magnitude ( $2.5 \cdot 10^{-5}$   
458 and  $1.4 \cdot 10^{-7}$  cm s<sup>-1</sup>; Table S2 in Online Resource 3), and the time required to dissolve ~0.02 cm  
459 of cpx Ves (Fig. 9 and Table 3) varies from ~0.5 to ~1.4 h using dissolution rates (i.e.,  $1 \cdot 10^{-5}$  and  
460  $4 \cdot 10^{-6}$  cm s<sup>-1</sup>) compatible with the experimental dwell time (i.e., 2 h; Table 2). Therefore, the  
461 crystallization of the cpx Ves and new cpx rims and unzoned new cpx crystals occurred in a  
462 maximum time of 1.44 h with a growth rate of  $\sim 1.35 \cdot 10^{-6}$  cm s<sup>-1</sup>. Noteworthy, this value is greater  
463 than those experimentally determined by Bonechi et al. (2020a) at the same pressure conditions  
464 and using APR16GL composition as starting material (e.g.,  $\sim 10^{-7}$ - $10^{-8}$  cm s<sup>-1</sup> for dwell time in  
465 the range of 0.25-9 h). Conversely, it is comparable with the cpx growth rates ( $\sim 1 \cdot 10^{-6}$  cm s<sup>-1</sup>)  
466 obtained from kinetic experiments performed at high cooling rates (i.e.,  $\geq 80$  °C min<sup>-1</sup>; Burkhard,  
467 2002; Pontesilli et al., 2019) and high degrees of undercooling (i.e., the difference between the  
468 phase-in temperature of the melt and the quench temperature  $\Delta T^* \geq 80$  °C; Burkhard, 2002;  
469 Pontesilli et al., 2019). This latter correspondence can be related to the compositional change of  
470 the APR16 melt caused by the dissolution of cpx Ves. The liquidus temperature of the melt  
471 increases from 1280 °C for APR16 to 1332 °C for APR16-D1Ab\* (Table S3 in Online Resource  
472 3). However, the limited variation of  $T_{\text{liquidus}}$  indicates low-to-moderate undercooling conditions  
473 during steps  $t_2$  and  $t_3$  (maximum  $\Delta T^* = 52$  °C), with maintenance of low degrees of cpx  
474 supersaturation in the melt and high cation mobilities (Hammer, 2008 and reference therein).  
475 Despite high crystal growth rates are more commonly associated with high degrees of  
476 undercooling and development of anhedral to dendritic/skeletal crystal morphologies (e.g.,  
477 Cashman, 1993; Conte et al., 2006; Hammer, 2008), these conditions were suitable for the

478 formation of euhedral, unzoned new cpx (up to ~200  $\mu\text{m}$  in size) in chemical equilibrium with  
479 the APR16-D1Ab\* melt (Fig. 9).

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#### 481 *4.4. Implications to magma dynamics*

482 Mineral dissolution and/or re-crystallization phenomena due to magma mixing, often produce  
483 phenocryst assemblages with disequilibrium textures and mineral zoning. In this context,  
484 intracrystalline cation exchange models are commonly used to calculate crystal residence times  
485 and magma ascent rates (e.g., Petrone et al., 2018; Viccaro et al., 2016) as well as the time  
486 elapsed between the refilling of a new and more mafic magma into sub-volcanic reservoirs and  
487 eruptions (e.g., Perugini et al., 2015; Rossi et al., 2019; Ubide and Kamber, 2018). Only sporadic  
488 studies have also considered the role played by crystal dissolution phenomena during crystal-  
489 melt interaction and crystal growth (e.g., Liang 2003). If magma mixing is accompanied by  
490 crystal dissolution, then it is likely that most of retrieved residence times are potentially  
491 underestimated. The refilling of sub-volcanic reservoirs by a new magma batch is proposed as  
492 one of the major processes capable of triggering explosive volcanic eruptions due to abrupt  
493 changes of the intensive-extensive variables of the system (e.g., Nakamura, 1977; Sparks et al.,  
494 1977; Viccaro et al., 2006). Understanding the timing of volcanic eruptions is a central issue,  
495 particularly to densely populated, active volcanic settings, such as Campi Flegrei caldera  
496 (Southern Italy). Many authors identified in the eruptive products of Campi Flegrei several  
497 textural and compositional features that can be traced back to mingling-mixing processes (e.g.,  
498 Arienzo et al., 2010; D'Antonio et al., 2007; Di Renzo et al., 2011; Orsi et al., 1995). Through  
499 basalt-phonolite mixing experiments, it has been suggested that the time-scales of mixing for  
500 some recent eruptions (namely, Astroni, Averno and Agnano Monte Spina) is in the order of  
501 tens of minutes (Perugini et al., 2015). We are aware that *P-T* conditions investigated in this

502 study are quite different from those encountered at shallow crustal depths where magma mixing  
503 takes place (e.g., Arienzo et al., 2010; D'Antonio et al., 2007; Di Renzo et al., 2011; Orsi et al.,  
504 1995). However, our experimental data may be combined with the textural information gained  
505 by using natural cpx phenocrysts from the pyroclastic deposits of Agnano-Monte Spina eruption  
506 (4100 BP; de Vita et al., 1999) to obtain a rough estimation for the crystal dissolution time. This  
507 approach may be reasonable considering that *i*) the pressure has negligible influence on the  
508 dissolution rate (see in the above § 4.2.2. section), and *ii*) the investigated *T* range is high (1300-  
509 1350 °C), and *iii*) the temperature of basaltic magmas intruding into the shallow reservoirs is  
510 high too ( $T > 1150$  °C; Fowler et al., 2007). This comparatively approach provides a preliminary  
511 evaluation for the effect of crystal dissolution on mixing time scales, by calculating the  
512 dissolution time of cpx phenocrysts whose morphological and chemical features testify to  
513 magma mixing processes (Fig. 10). The selected zoned crystals were separated from trachytic  
514 crystal-rich pumice (Forni et al., 2016, 2018). The mineral composition is diopsidic with  
515 maximum values of Mg# (80-89) restricted to the crystal portions with shapes suggesting crystal-  
516 resorption events (dark gray areas in BSE photomicrographs showed in Fig. 10). These Mg#-  
517 rich crystal portions are relicts of early-formed cpx phenocrysts (hereafter named AMS-Cpx1)  
518 from a more primitive magmas rising from greater depths (depths  $\geq 8$  km; Arienzo et al. 2010  
519 and references therein) and mixing with the resident evolved magma. Among selected zoned  
520 crystals, relict crystals show maximum and minimum sizes in the order of  $\sim 1$  mm and  $\sim 150$   $\mu\text{m}$ ,  
521 respectively. According to the dissolution rates of  $\sim 10^{-5}$ - $10^{-6}$   $\text{cm s}^{-1}$  experimentally derived for  
522 the basaltic end-member of Campi Flegrei caldera (i.e., APR16 sample), the minimum  
523 dissolution time for a resorption of  $150$   $\mu\text{m}$  ranges from  $\sim 25$  min to  $\sim 4$  h. This time interval is  
524 slightly higher than the time scales of mixing of  $15 \pm 4$ ,  $18 \pm 5$ , and  $13 \pm 4$  min proposed by Perugini  
525 et al. (2015) for Agnano-Monte Spina, Averno, and Astroni eruptions, respectively. It is not

526 possible to know if magma mixing caused the partial or complete dissolution of larger AMS-  
527 cpx1 phenocrysts. For this reason, we have considered for the calculation a maximum length that  
528 corresponds to largest AMS-Cpx1 (0.15 cm; Fig. 10a). This phenocryst results to be less affected  
529 by dissolution. The time required for partial ( $\Delta L \sim 0.08$  cm where  $\Delta L$  is the difference between  
530 the initial and the final crystal length) or complete resorption ( $\Delta L \sim 0.15$  cm) of AMS-cpx1 varies  
531 from at least  $\sim 2$  to  $\sim 23$  h or from  $\sim 4$  to  $\sim 39$  h, by assuming dissolution rates of  $\sim 10^{-5}$  cm $\cdot$ s $^{-1}$  and  
532  $\sim 10^{-6}$  cm s $^{-1}$ , respectively.

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## 534 **5. Conclusions**

535 In this experimental work, we have determined the dissolution rate of cpx interacting with a K-  
536 basalt at high pressure. Values calculated at pressure of 0.8 GPa, temperature of 1350 °C, and  
537 dwell times between 0.5 and 1 h are in the order of  $\sim 10^{-5}$ - $10^{-6}$  cm s $^{-1}$ . By the in situ experiment  
538 at 2 GPa and  $\sim 1570$  °C, we have evaluated the cpx dissolution rate at temperatures above the  
539 liquidus temperature of glass and near the liquidus temperature of cpx ( $T_{\text{cpxL}}$ ), showing a non-  
540 linear trend over time, with apparent acceleration when temperatures near/above the melting  
541 point of the cpx are reached ( $\sim 1597$  °C). Specifically, the assessed dissolution rate increases  
542 from  $4.8 \cdot 10^{-3}$  cm s $^{-1}$  for temperature conditions below the  $T_{\text{cpxL}}$  to  $3.2 \cdot 10^{-2}$  cm s $^{-1}$  for temperatures  
543 near/above the  $T_{\text{cpxL}}$ . The increase of dissolution rate is accompanied by a textural evolution of  
544 the cpx which passes from crystalline faces in the first seconds to a sub-rounded shape until it  
545 disappears completely at the end of the experiment. This along with textural features of the  
546 quenched 0.8 GPa runs indicate that the dissolution process occurs by consumption of crystalline  
547 faces independently of the crystal orientation, leading to rounded shapes and indentations. In the  
548 dissolution-crystallization experiment, the formation of overgrowth rims and new cpx crystals  
549 with different textures and compositions suggests that injection of basaltic melts in a cold magma

550 chamber may produce crystals with inverse or oscillatory zonation. This disequilibrium  
551 crystallization process is also related to the dissolution of pristine crystals resident in the magma  
552 reservoir. The growth rate ( $1.35 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ cm s}^{-1}$ ) extrapolated from this dissolution-crystallization  
553 experiment, confirms that dynamic conditions favor rapid crystal growth rates. By applying the  
554 experimental dissolution rates calculated in this study to products of Agnano-Monte Spina  
555 eruption (4100 BP) at Campi Flegrei caldera (Campanian region, Italy), we have estimated  
556 maximum cpx dissolution time-scale of ~40 h.

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## 825 **Figure caption**

826 **Figure 1** *T* and *P* conditions of cpx dissolution experiments. Data sources: black cross this study  
827 (49 wt.% SiO<sub>2</sub>); star Scarfe et al. (1980), convective cpx dissolution in alkali basalt (47 wt.%  
828 SiO<sub>2</sub>); triangle Brearley and Scarfe (1986), cpx dissolution in alkali basalt (49 wt.% SiO<sub>2</sub>);  
829 diamond Zhang et al. (1989), diffusive diopside dissolution in andesite (56.3 wt.% SiO<sub>2</sub>); square  
830 Van Orman and Grove (2000), diffusive diopside dissolution in lunar ferrobasalt (47 wt.% SiO<sub>2</sub>);  
831 circle Chen and Zhang (2009) (51.2 wt.% SiO<sub>2</sub>). Colours indicate pressure ranges: green 0.5  
832 GPa, yellow 1 GPa, orange 1.2 GPa, red 1.3 GPa, brown 1.4 GPa, light blue 2 GPa, blue 2.2  
833 GPa, dark blue 3 GPa. The solid red curve is the pure diopside melting curve by Boyd and  
834 England (1963), Williams and Kennedy (1969) and Yoder (1952). The dashed green curve is the  
835 Vesuvius cpx melting curve while the dashed black curve is the rough liquidus of the alkaline  
836 basalt used in this study, both estimated by MELTS program (Asimow and Ghiorso, 1998;  
837 Ghiorso and Sack, 1995).

838 **Figure 2** Backscattered image of APR16-D1Aa run. Polished cpx Ves is indicated in green.  
839 Inside the cpx Ves the crystallographic axes are reported (a in red, b in green, c in blue) following  
840 the orientations showed by the upper-hemisphere projections (inset in the upper side of the  
841 figure). As possible to see from these projections the polished surface is approximately  
842 perpendicular to the c-axis (001). In the figure the profiles along which we measured the  
843 variation of the major elements concentration in the melt are indicated with different coloured  
844 lines: D1Aa\_T1 in yellow, D1Aa\_T2 in light blue, and D1Aa\_T3 in green. An example is  
845 reported in the insets on the right, where the concentration profiles of MgO and CaO are shown.  
846 Finally, in the lower left part of the figure is reported a cartoon showing the sizes, the placement,  
847 and the orientation of the cpx Ves before and after the experiment. The table reports the initial  
848 (i) sizes, the final (f) sizes and the difference between them ( $\Delta r$ ). Cartoon not in scale.

849 **Figure 3** Backscattered image of APR16-D1A run. Polished cpx Ves is indicated in green. Inside  
850 the cpx Ves the crystallographic axes are reported (a in red, b in green, c in blue) following the  
851 orientations showed by the upper-hemisphere projections (inset in the upper side of the figure).  
852 As possible to see from these projections the polished surface is approximately perpendicular to  
853 the b-axis (010). In the figure the profiles along which we measured the variation of the major  
854 elements concentration in the melt are indicated with different coloured lines: D1Aa\_T1 in teal  
855 colour, D1Aa\_T2 in yellow. An example is reported in the insets on the right, where the  
856 concentration profiles of MgO and CaO are shown. Finally, in the lower left part of the figure is  
857 reported a cartoon showing the sizes, the placement, and the orientation of the cpx Ves before  
858 and after the experiment. The table reports the initial (i) sizes, the final (f) sizes and the difference  
859 between them ( $\Delta r$ ). Cartoon not in scale.

860 **Figure 4** Clinopyroxene compositions plotted into a magnification of the pyroxene classification  
861 diagram (Morimoto et al., 1998). Wo: wollastonite; En: enstatite; Fe: ferrosilite; Di: diopside,

862 He: hedenbergite. The inset shows the whole diagram. Cross indicates the Vesuvius cpx,  
863 diamonds the residual cpx Ves, squares the group 1-new cpx and circles the group 2-new cpx.  
864 Empty symbols indicate cpx core, while filled symbols indicate cpx rim. For group-2-new cpx  
865 the lighter filled symbols indicate the mantle while the darker filled symbols the rim. New cpx  
866 unzoned of D1Ab run is not reported since its composition matches that of the cpx Ves rim.  
867 Yellow field shows cpx composition from Bonechi et al. (2020a).

868 **Figure 5** Variation diagrams of major element with Mg# for residual glasses far from the residual  
869 cpx Ves. Cross indicates the starting material (SM) and circles the compositions of synthetic  
870 glasses. Error bars not reported are within the symbols size.

871 **Figure 6** Backscattered photomicrographs of the APR16-D1Ab run. Insights show a-c) the top,  
872 b) the bottom and d) the side of the capsule. Cpx, clinopyroxene, Rim, reaction rim between cpx  
873 Ves and glass.

874 **Figure 7** X-ray radiography frames of dissolution of cpx Ves (in green) in APR16GL melt at 2  
875 GPa and ~1570 °C. Scale bar 0.2 mm. The diagram reports the variation of the crystal sizes  $L$   
876 (light green circles),  $W$  (dark green circles) and their mean value ( $M$ ; grey circles) with time for  
877 each frame (0.5 s interval).

878 **Figure 8** Dissolution rate diagrams as function of a)  $\Delta T$  (°C) and b) temperature (°C). Literature  
879 data from Brearley and Scarfe (1986). Pressure values of the reported experiments are between  
880 0.5 and 3 GPa while time values vary between 500 and 7200 s. c) The accuracy of the Eq. 1 in  
881 the estimation of the dissolution rate as function of  $T$  and  $\Delta T$  has been tested by comparing  
882 convective dissolution rate observed and the values predicted by the Equation 1 for the  
883 experiments of this study and for those of Brearley and Scarfe (1986). Among these latter, only  
884 data with conditions of  $P$  (0.5-1 GPa) and time (600-3600 s) similar to the experimental

885 conditions of our study are reported in this diagram (Table S2 in Online Resource 3). Symbols  
886 are as in Figure 1. Error bars for observed dissolution rates fall inside the symbols.

887 **Figure 9** Cartoon showing the sequence of steps occurring during the APR16-D1Ab experiment,  
888 that from the dissolution lead to the formation of the new cpx. Insights show group 2-new cpx at  
889  $t_1$  and  $t_3$  with the Fe-Mg partition coefficient between core, mantle and rim and the coexisting  
890 melt.

891 **Figure 10** Selected zoned cpx crystals from Agnano Monte Spina eruption (Campi Flegrei; 4100  
892 BP; de Vita et al. 1999); dark gray areas (Mg# 80-89), indicated with a yellow line, correspond  
893 to the portion of grain whose shape is attributable to crystal-resorption event.

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#### 895 **Table captions**

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902 **Online Resource 1** contains the supplementary figures

903 **Online Resource 2** contains the supplementary Movie 1

904 Movie 1 shows, in real time, the dissolution of the cpx Ves in the APR16GL melt at 2 GPa and  
905  $\sim 1570$  °C over a time duration of  $\sim 4$  s. Details on the acquisition technique are reported in §2.3

906 *Ultrafast X-ray imaging with the Paris Edinburgh press*. Brightness and contrast were increased

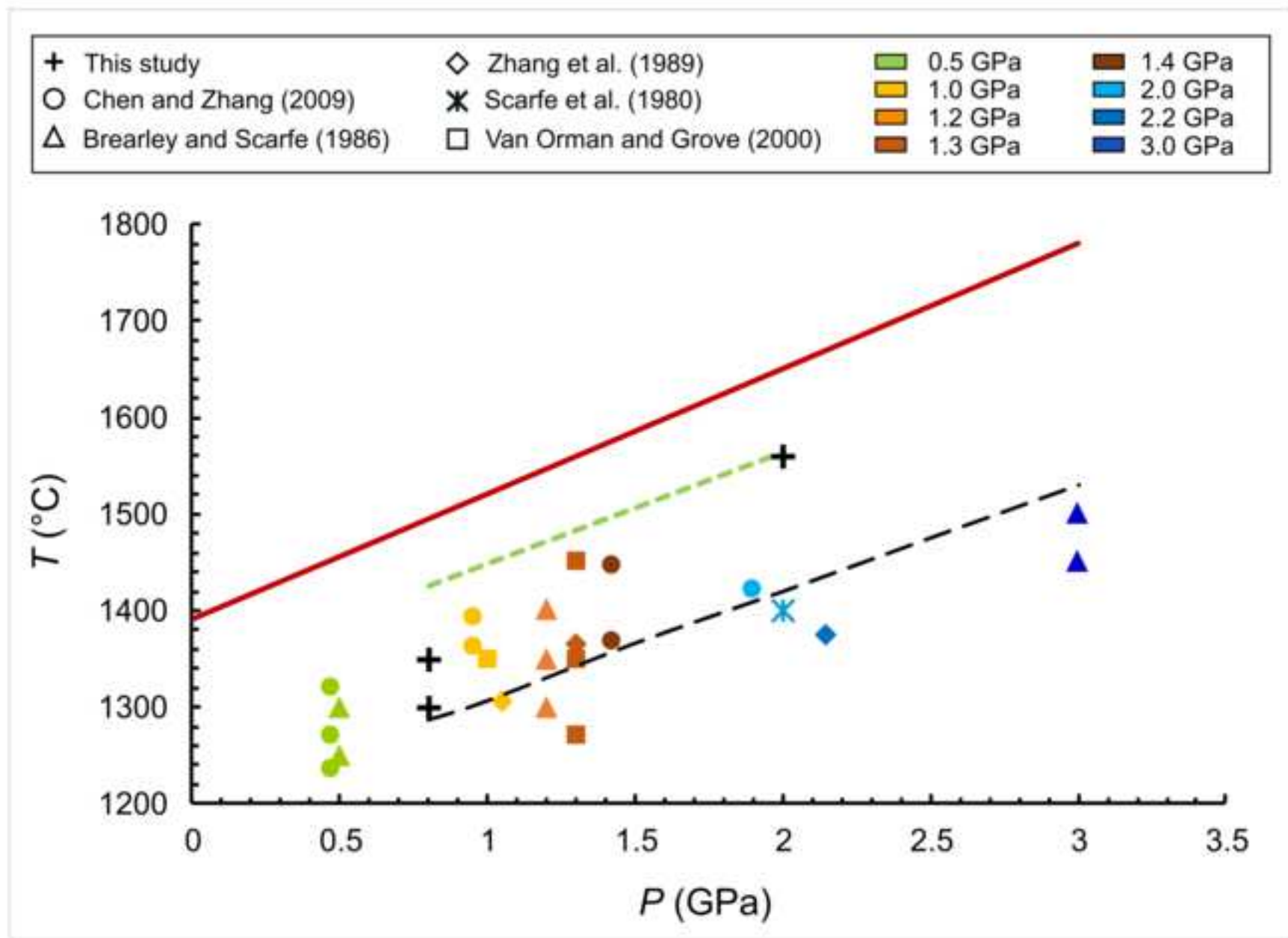
907 to make the cpx Ves more visible, given the low density contrast between the cpx Ves and the

908 APR16GL melt. Noteworthy, during the Movie 1 it is possible to observe a variation in the cpx

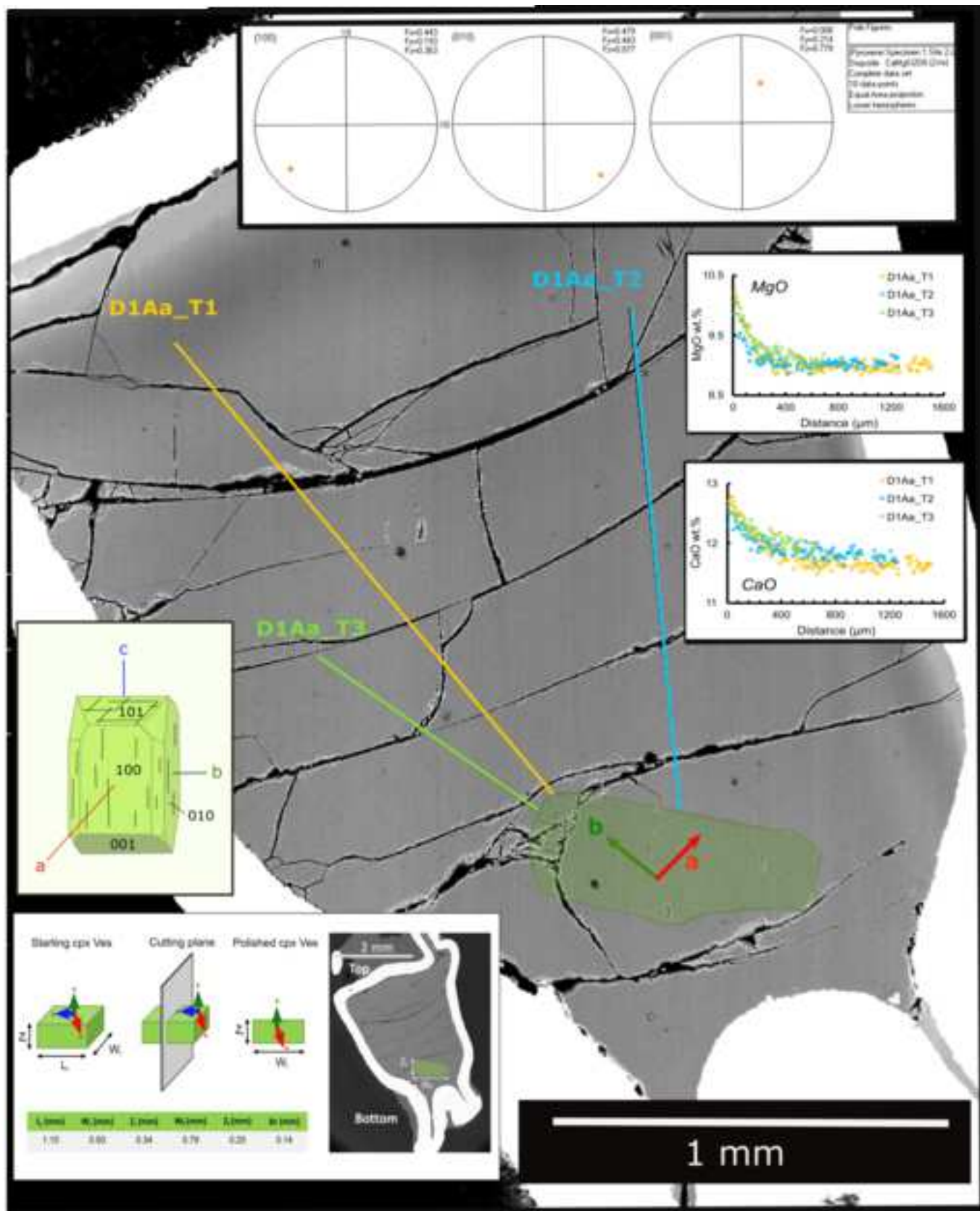
909 Ves-melt contrast. In particular, during the first seconds of the Movie the dissolution process  
910 seems to occur at temperature above the liquidus of the APR16GL ( $T_L \sim 1460$  °C at 2 GPa; Table  
911 2) and below the liquidus of the cpx Ves (i.e.,  $T \leq 1597$  °C; Table 2) while after  $\sim 3$  s the  
912 dissolution occurred at temperature near/above the cpx Ves liquidus temperature (i.e.,  $T \geq 1597$   
913 °C). Considering the increase of  $T$  of 100 °C/s and the heat conduction in the experimental run  
914 probably in the first second of the Movie the  $T$  was  $< 1460$  °C and it reaches  $T \geq 1570$  °C at  
915 around 3 s. Furthermore, the temperature uncertainty is  $\sim 60$  °C (Kono et al., 2014b), so it is very  
916 likely that the nominal temperature is higher ( $\geq T$  liquidus of cpx Ves) in accordance with the  
917 complete disappearance of the cpx crystal observed in the Movie.

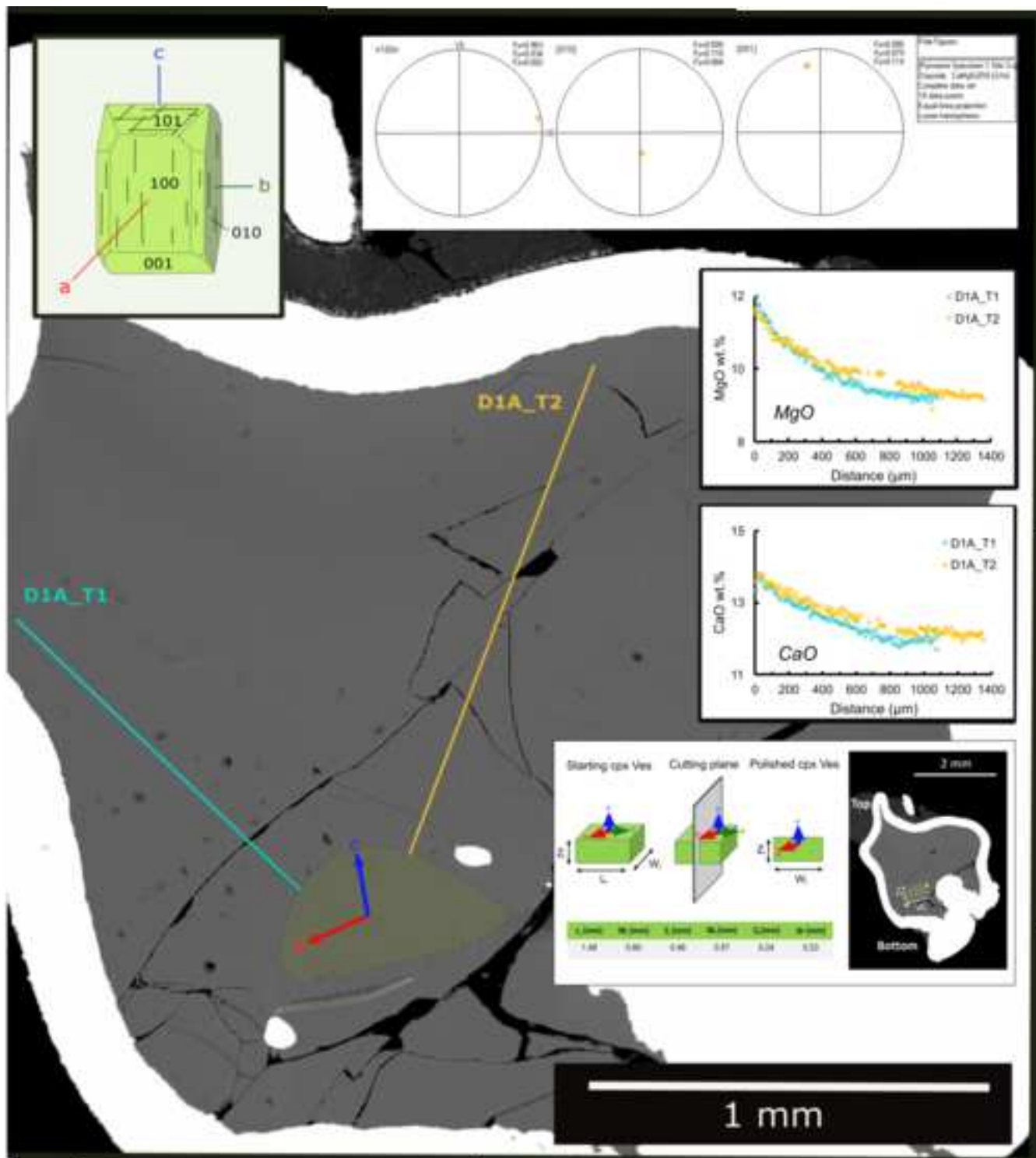
918 **Online Resource 3** contains the supplementary tables

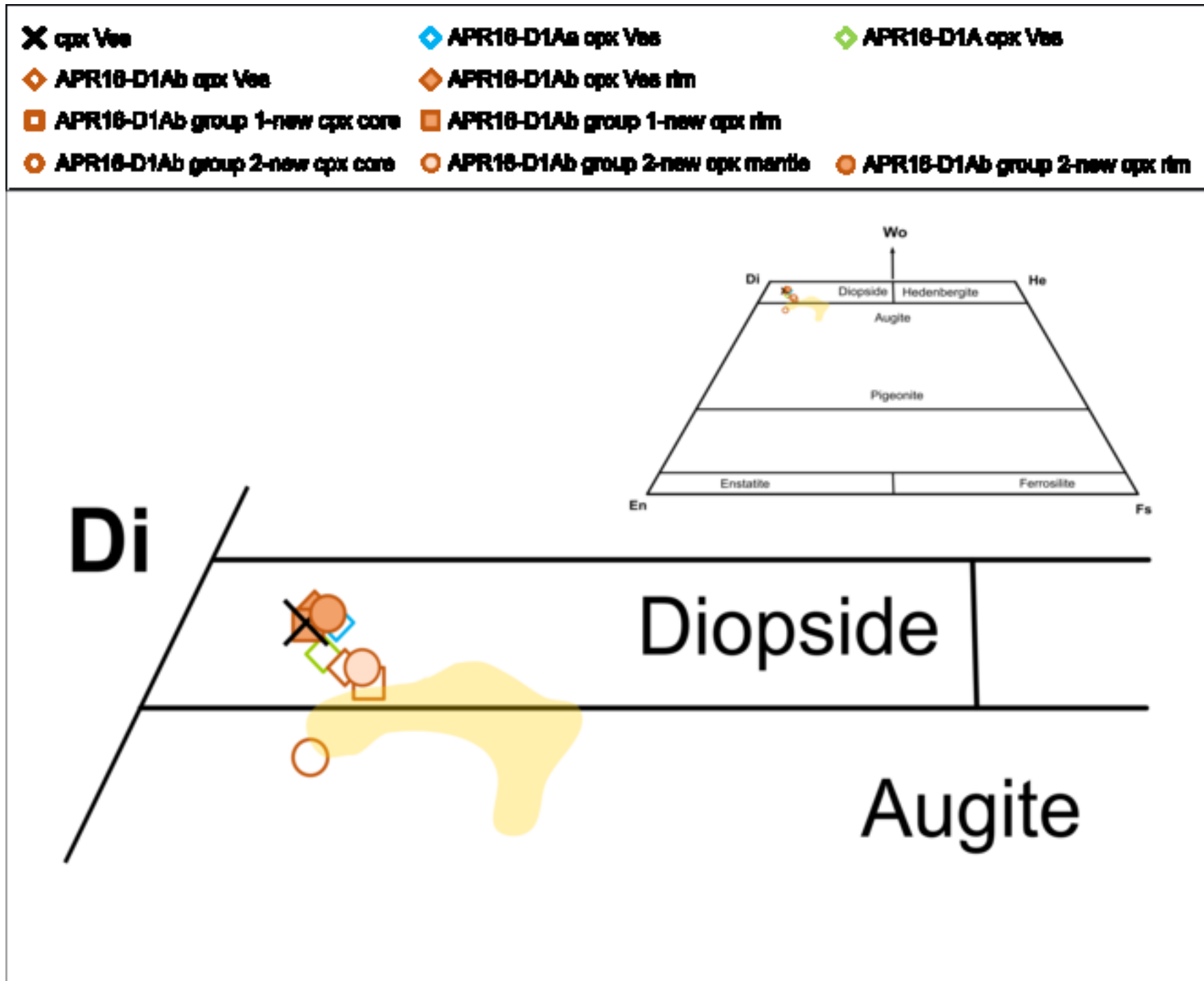
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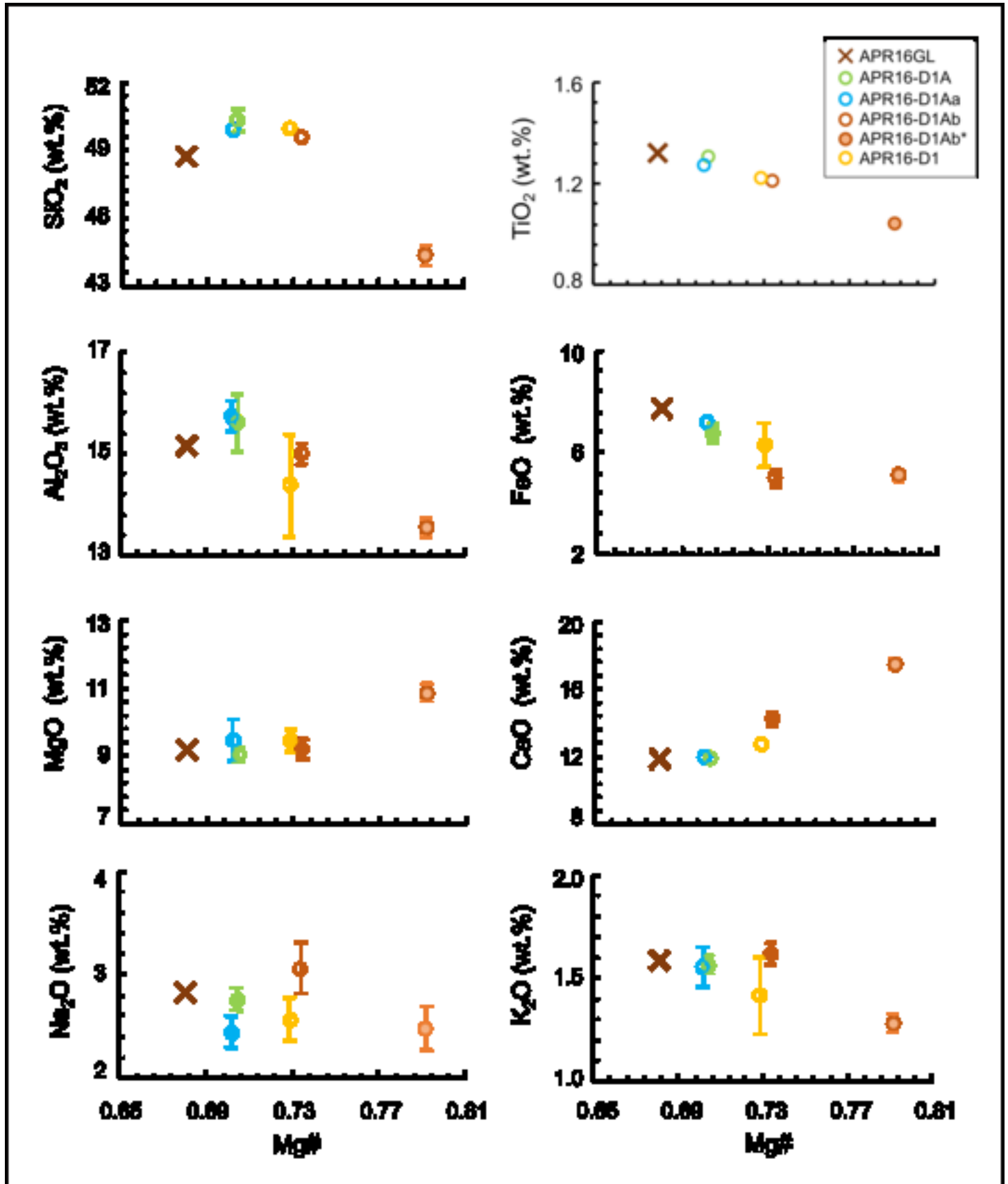


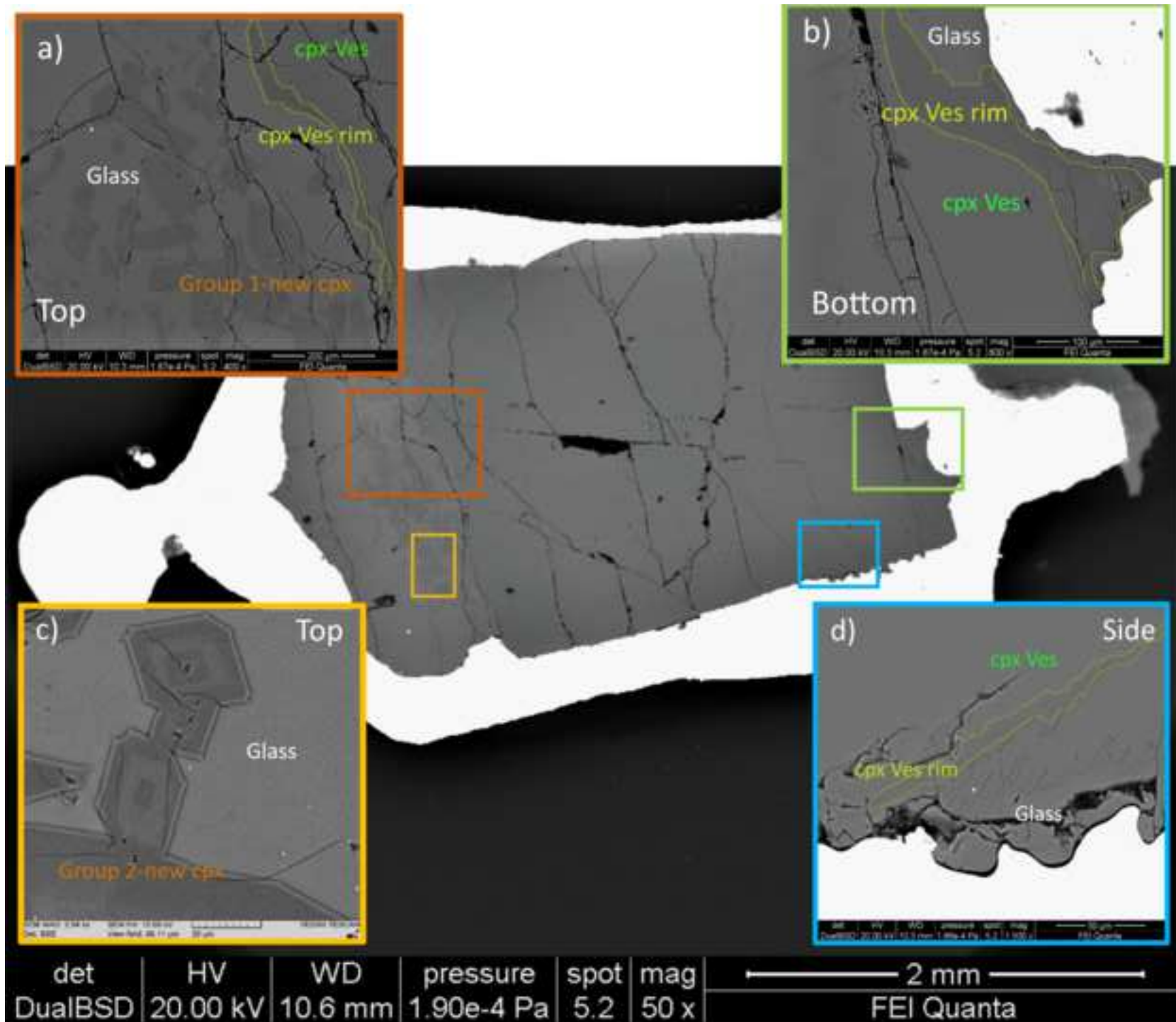


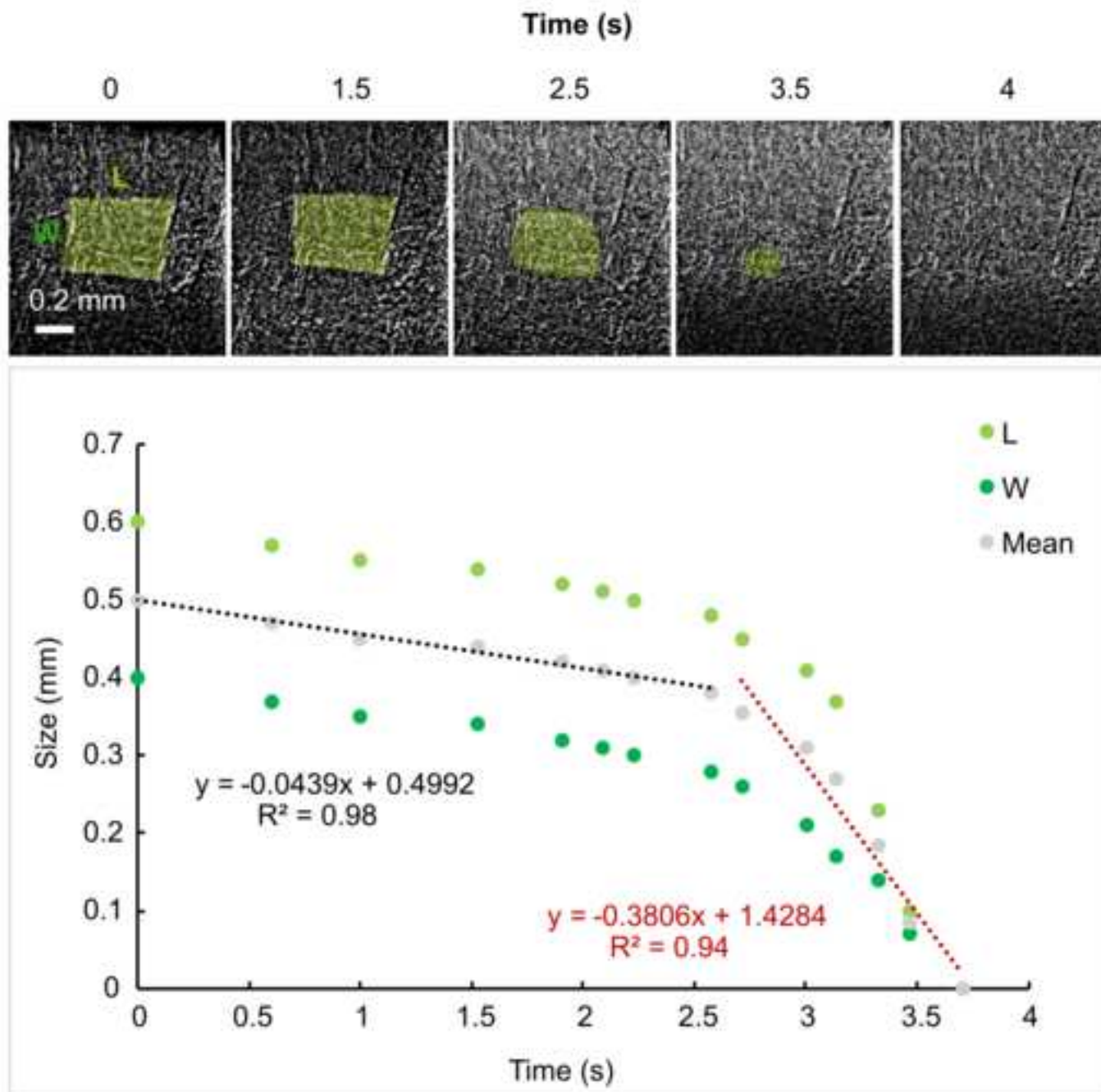


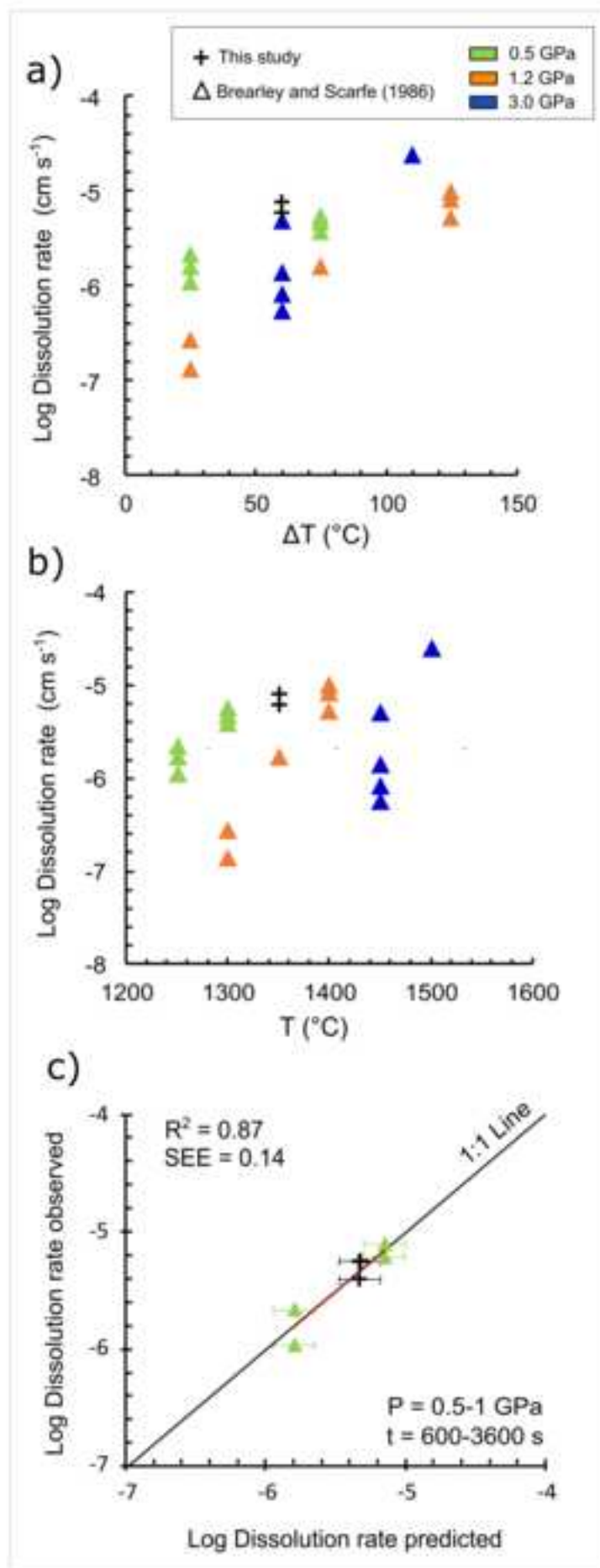


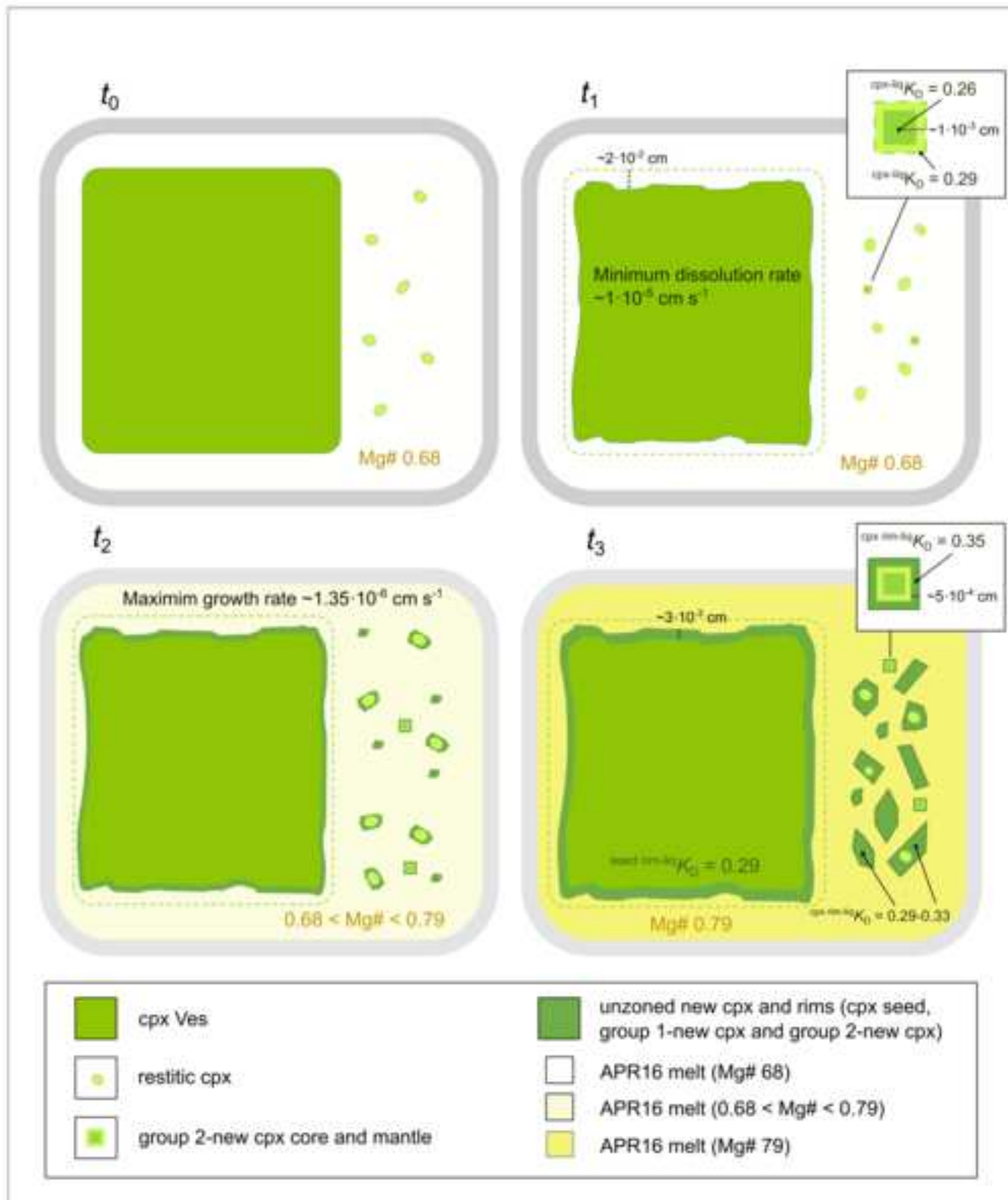




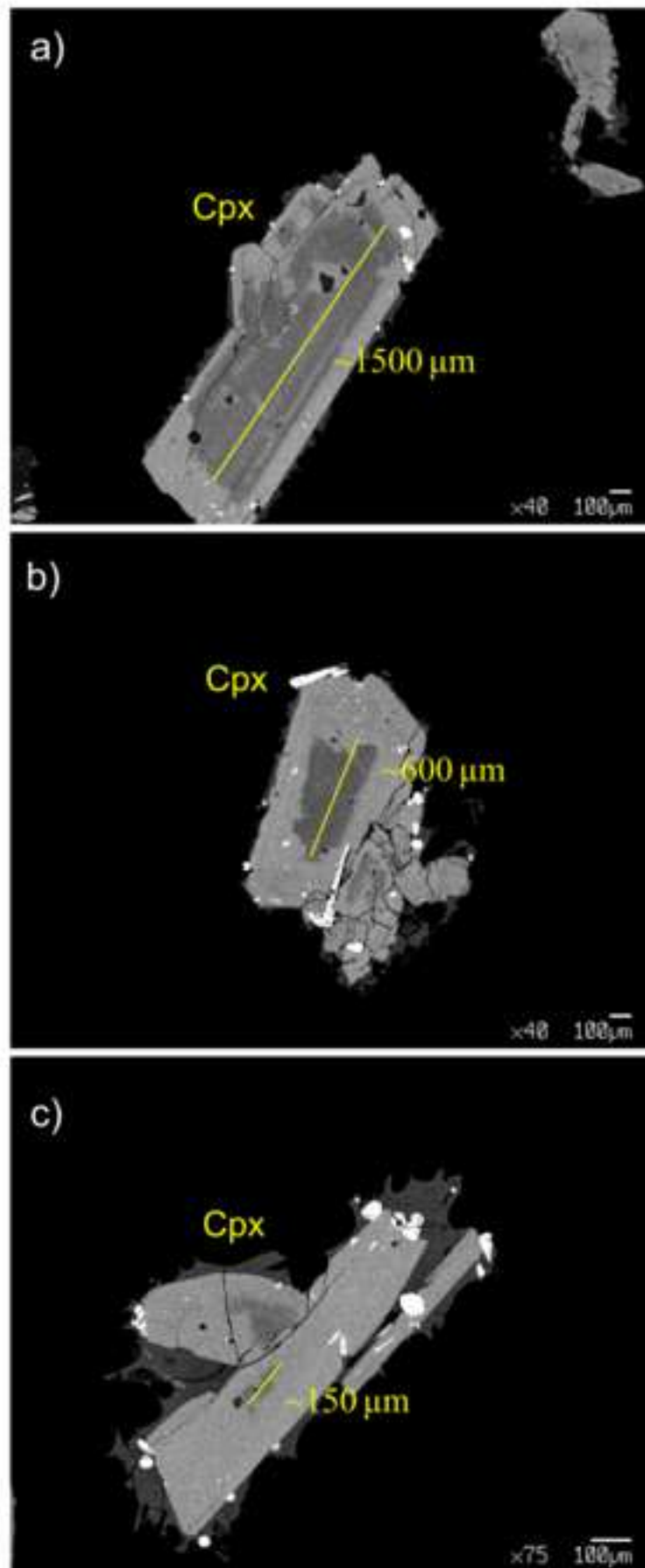












**Table 1** Composition (wt.%) of APR16 rock sample, APR16GL starting material and cpx Ves

| Sample                         | APR16 | APR16GL                   | Cpx Ves*     |
|--------------------------------|-------|---------------------------|--------------|
| SiO <sub>2</sub>               | 48.89 | 49.30 (0.46)              | 53.27 (0.33) |
| TiO <sub>2</sub>               | 1.23  | 1.33 (0.03)               | 0.40 (0.03)  |
| Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> | 15.65 | 15.31 (0.14)              | 2.19 (0.15)  |
| FeO <sub>tot</sub>             | 8.08  | 7.79 (0.13)               | 3.56 (0.22)  |
| MnO                            | 0.14  | 0.14 (0.05)               | 0.08 (0.04)  |
| MgO                            | 8.89  | 9.31 (0.07)               | 16.79 (0.17) |
| CaO                            | 11.64 | 12.02 (0.09)              | 24.63 (0.18) |
| Na <sub>2</sub> O              | 2.88  | 2.86 (0.05)               | 0.14 (0.01)  |
| K <sub>2</sub> O               | 1.52  | 1.60 (0.02)               | -            |
| P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>  | 0.31  | 0.55 (0.02)               | -            |
| Cr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> | -     | -                         | 0.27 (0.14)  |
| L.O.I.                         | 0.61  | -                         |              |
| Total                          | 99.23 | 99.31 (0.29) <sup>y</sup> | 101.39       |
| Mg# <sup>1</sup>               | 0.66  | 0.68                      | 0.89         |
| T <sub>L</sub> (°C)            | 1280  | 1290                      |              |
| Wo                             |       |                           | 48           |
| En                             |       |                           | 46           |
| Fs                             |       |                           | 6            |

<sup>1</sup>[MgO/(MgO+FeO<sub>tot</sub>)] molar, assuming all iron as FeO. APR16 composition from D'Antonio et al. (1999); APR16GL composition from Perinelli et al. (2019). Compositions are normalized to 100. Standard deviation is reported in parenthesis.

\*Representative analysis of cpx from this study. Abbreviation: Cpx clinopyroxene; Wo wollastonite; En enstatite; Fs ferrosilite. T<sub>L</sub> liquidus temperature (Perinelli et al., 2019).

**Table 2** Experimental run conditions, phase assemblages and cpx Ves features

| Run#       | Experimental device | Starting material | P (GPa) | T (°C) | T <sub>L</sub> (°C) | ΔT (°C) | Time (s) | Phases              | T <sub>cpx liquidus</sub> (°C) | Cpx Ves size (L x W x Z; mm) | Cpx Ves weight (g) | Powder/cpx Ves ratio |
|------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------|--------|---------------------|---------|----------|---------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| APR16-D1   | PE                  | APR16GL           | 2       | 1570   | 1460                | 110     | 4        | Gl                  | 1597                           | 0.60 x 0.40 x 0.31           | 0.0004             | n.d.                 |
| APR16-D1A  | PC                  | APR16GL           | 0.8     | 1350   | 1290                | 60      | 3600     | Gl + cpx* + ol + ox | 1425                           | 1.48 x 0.80 x 0.46           | 0.0008             | 0.95                 |
| APR16-D1Aa | PC                  | APR16GL           | 0.8     | 1350   | 1290                | 60      | 1800     | Gl + cpx*           | 1425                           | 1.10 x 0.93 x 0.34           | 0.0009             | 0.96                 |
| APR16-D1Ab | PC                  | APR16             | 0.8     | 1300   | 1280                | 20      | 7200     | Gl + cpx* + cpx     | 1425                           | 2.32 x 2.19 x 1.43           | 0.0238             | 0.59                 |

PE = Paris-Edinburgh press; PC = piston cylinder apparatus; ΔT is difference between the nominal temperature of the runs and the APR16/APR16GL liquidus temperature (T<sub>L</sub>; Table 1); T<sub>cpx liquidus</sub> is the liquidus temperature of the cpx Ves. Liquidus temperatures for both glass and cpx were calculated using the software MELTS (Asimow and Ghiorso, 1998; Gualda et al., 2012); \*cpx Ves used for the experiments. Ol and Ox crystallized in APR16-D1A run occur in a small reservoir present in one side of the capsule.

**Table 4** Experimental conditions and dissolution-crystallization of steps of the APR16-D1Ab experiment

| <b>Experimental conditions</b>  |        |   |   |  |
|---|--------|---|---|--|
| <b>Starting material</b>  |        | Cpx Ves (a low pressure cpx from 1944 Vesuvius eruption) + APR16 (powdered natural rock with restitic cpx+ol) |   |  |
| <b>Pressure</b>   |        | 0.8 GPa   |   |  |
| <b>Temperature</b>  |        | 1300 °C   |   |  |
| <b>Powder/cpx Ves weight ratio</b>  |        | 0.59  |   |  |
| <b>Estimated liquidus temperature of APR16+cpx Ves bulk composition (Mg# = 0.83)*</b> |        | 1384 °C   |   |  |
| <b>Total duration</b>   |        | 2 h   |   |  |
| <b>Timing of experimental processes</b>   |        |   |   |  |
| <b>Time</b>   |        | <b>cpx Ves</b>  |   | <b>APR16 powdered rock</b>   |
| $t_0$   |        | Instability of the cpx Ves  |   | Dissolution + restitic cpx crystals  |
| $t_1$   | ~0.5 h | Dissolution of ~0.02 cm   | Cation diffusion in the melt is limited and does not change the APR16 composition | Crystallization of the core + mantle of group 2-new cpx (~10 $\mu\text{m}$ ) in local equilibrium with the APR16 composition (Mg# ~0.68)             |
| $t_2$   | →1.5 h | Cation diffusion produces progressive change of APR16 composition (Mg# changes from ~0.68 to ~0.80)           |   |  |
|   |        | End of cpx Ves dissolution and formation of the overgrowth rim  |   | Overgrowth rims develop on 1) group 2-new cpx cores and on 2) restitic APR16-cpx.<br>Formation of new unzoned cpx                                    |
| $t_3$   | quench | ~30- $\mu\text{m}$ -thick cpx Ves rim developed   |   | 1) ~70 $\mu\text{m}$ -thick of rims developed on both type of zoned new cpx;<br>2) unzoned new cpx have reached a maximum size of ~200 $\mu\text{m}$ |

Notes: \* the APR16+cpx Ves bulk composition has been calculated on the basis of the powder/cpx Ves ratio. Liquidus temperatures are determined by the MELTS code (Ghiorso and Sack, 1995; Asimow and Ghiorso, 1998).