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Abstract

Discussions continue about whether Middle Eocene magmatism in the Eastern Pontides is
associated with collision or subduction. This paper presents new whole-rock geochemistry,
Sr-Nd isotopic and ^{40}Ar - ^{39}Ar age data for Middle Eocene volcanic rocks from the Bayburt
area of the Eastern Pontides (NE Turkey) to investigate their sources and evolutionary history.

The new ^{40}Ar – ^{39}Ar ages reveal that these volcanic rocks erupted between 44.6 ± 0.1 Ma and 43.5 ± 0.1 Ma, within the Lutetian (Middle Eocene). The studied volcanic rocks are composed of basalt, andesite, basaltic andesite and minor dacite lava and pyroclastic rocks. These rocks consist of plagioclase, amphibole, pyroxene, olivine, biotite, sanidine and minor quartz phenocrysts with Fe-Ti oxides. They have microlithic, hyalo-microlithic, porphyritic and rarely glomeroporphyritic textures. The volcanic rocks have low to high-K calc-alkaline affinities. They display enrichment in large-ion lithophile elements and depletion in high-field strength elements with high Th/Yb ratios, which indicate that the magmas forming the volcanic rocks were derived from lithospheric mantle sources enriched by mostly slab-derived fluids in the spinel stability field. $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}_{(i)}$ values vary between 0.70485 and 0.70551 and $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}_{(i)}$ values vary between 0.51255 and 0.51267. These data correspond to the mantle array on the isotope ratio diagram. The main solidification processes consist of fractional crystallization with minor assimilation. In light of the data obtained in this study together with data from previous studies, petrogenetic character of the Middle Eocene magmas from the southern parts of the Eastern Pontides may be explained by melting of an enriched lithospheric mantle source initially metasomatized by subduction fluids in a post-collisional extensional-related tectonic setting.

Keywords: $^{40}\text{Ar}/^{39}\text{Ar}$ geochronology • Post-collisional volcanism • Sr-Nd isotopes • NE Turkey • Eastern Pontides

Introduction

In orogenic belts, extensional tectonics usually develop during the post-orogenic phase after the completion of continent-continent collision. This occurs due to a combination of factors including the readjustment of the thickened lithosphere, lithospheric thinning by mantle convection, lithospheric collapse, slab break-off or detachment (Davies and von Blanckenburg 1995; Platt and England 1994; Ruppel 1995). The delamination of the mafic lower crust is usually associated with regions undergoing extension, showing thinning of the continental crust (Wang et al., 2008; Zhai et al., 2007).

The Eastern Pontides (NE Turkey, Fig. 1a), or the Eastern Sakarya Zone (ESZ), is a key area for understanding the geodynamic processes during the transition from pre- to post-orogenic stages and the temporal evolution of compositions of syn- to post-collisional magmas. In the ESZ, the subduction and collision-related magmatic processes formed various types of igneous rocks. The subduction of the Neo-Tethyan Ocean beneath the Eurasian plate resulted in the development of the Pontide magmatic arc during the closure of the northern branch of the Neo-Tethyan, leading to the eventual collision of the Pontides and the Anatolide-Tauride block (ATB) in Late Palaeocene-Early Eocene (Yılmaz et al., 1997; Şengör and Yılmaz, 1981; Okay and Şahintürk 1997). The Middle Eocene volcanic activity in this region is related to a post-collisional geodynamic setting (Adamia et al., 1977; Kazmin et al., 1986; Şengör and Yılmaz, 1981; Robinson et al., 1995; Arslan et al., 1997; Okay and Şahintürk 1997; Altherr et al., 2008; Kaygusuz et al., 2011; Aydınçakır, 2014; Temizel et al., 2012).

The volcanism in the ESZ continued during Mesozoic and Cenozoic (Aydın et al., 2008; Eyuboğlu et al., 2011; Karşı et al., 2011; Dokuz et al., 2013; Arslan et al., 2013; Özdamar, 2016; Yücel et al., 2017). The Cenozoic volcanism is characterized by four magmatic cycles developed during the (1) Early Eocene, (2) Middle Eocene, (3) Late Eocene to Oligocene, and (4) Miocene to Pliocene (Topuz et al., 2005; Aydın et al., 2008; Karşı et

al., 2020; Temizel et al., 2012; Dokuz et al., 2013; Eyuboğlu et al., 2013a; Arslan et al., 2013; Aydınçakır and Şen, 2013; Aslan et al., 2014; Kaygusuz et al., 2011, 2019; Yücel et al., 2014). Volcanic rocks formed during the second cycle cover extensive areas within the ESZ, whereas rocks from the other three cycles are more localised (Fig. 1b). The third cycle associated with an extensional setting accompanied by the growth of extensional basins due to far-field extensional forces (Karlı et al., 2020), whereas the fourth cycle occurred in an extensional tectonic setting, combined with strike-slip movement at regional scale related to ongoing delamination (Yücel et al., 2017).

The second cycle magmatism in the ESZ developed during a compressional regime contemporaneous with the extensional regime associated with the opening of the Black Sea basin (Robinson et al., 1995; Okay et al., 1994; Ustaömer and Robertson, 1997; Görür and Tüysüz, 1997). However, the style and timing of Black Sea basin opening remain controversial (Shillington et al., 2008).

The detailed understanding of the evolution of the ESZ remains poorly constrained due to the scarcity of systematic geochronological, geochemical and isotopic data. In the southern zone of the ESZ, the geochemical, geochronological and isotopic properties of the Middle Eocene volcanic rocks (the second cycle) were studied around Torul-Gümüşhane (Kaygusuz et al., 2011), Gümüşhane (Aslan, 2010; Aslan et al., 2014) and Gümüşhane-Bayburt (Arslan et al., 2013). These rocks consist of mafic to felsic lava flows, dykes and associated pyroclastic deposits. They have clear subduction-related chemical signatures. The Bayburt area of the southern subzone within the ESZ is much less studied, with only general geology (Keskin et al., 1989), mineralogy and petrography (Kaygusuz et al., 2019), and whole-rock geochemistry (Eyuboğlu et al., 2017) described in the literature.

In this paper we present new ^{40}Ar – ^{39}Ar dating, Sr–Nd isotope, and whole-rock geochemical data from the Middle Eocene volcanic rocks (the second cycle) in the Bayburt

area of the ESZ (Figs. 1b and c). The results will be used to constrain the genesis of calc-alkaline volcanism.

Geological background

Regional and local geology

The Pontides, which are one of the five main tectonic units forming the Anatolian Plate, are bounded by the Black Sea and the İstanbul zone to the north, and by the east-west trending İzmir-Ankara-Erzincan suture zone (IAES) to the south (Okay and Tüysüz, 1999) (Fig. 1a). The Pontide belt consists of three subunits: the eastern, central and western Pontides (Ketin and Canitez, 1972). The Eastern Pontides, also called the Eastern Sakarya Zone (ESZ), is part of the Sakarya Zone situated in the north of Turkey that extends from the Biga Peninsula to Lesser Caucasus. The ESZ is lithologically divided into two sub-zones; the northern subzone and the southern subzone (Özsayar et al., 1981). Most studies agree that the ESZ is a well-preserved continental magmatic arc. Magmatism in the ESZ covers a span from Carboniferous to the present.

The pre-Late Cretaceous rock units in the ESZ are represented by Early Carboniferous metamorphic rocks (Topuz et al., 2007), Middle to Late Carboniferous plutonic rocks (Kaygusuz et al., 2012, 2016; Dokuz., 2011; Topuz et al., 2010; Karlı et al., 2016), Late Carboniferous to Permian sedimentary rocks, Middle to Late Triassic plutonic rocks (Dokuz et al., 2010), Jurassic volcanic, volcanoclastic and plutonic rocks (Kandemir and Yılmaz, 2009; Saydam Eker et al., 2012; Dokuz et al., 2017; Aydınçakır et al., 2020) and Late Jurassic to Early Cretaceous carbonates (Pelin, 1977). All these rocks are conformably overlain by

Late Cretaceous volcanic rocks (Özdamar, 2016; Eyuboğlu, 2010; Aydın, 2014), and crosscut by plutonic rocks of late Cretaceous age (Şipahi et al., 2018; Karşlı et al., 2010; Temizel et al., 2019; Kaygusuz et al., 2021). The Cenozoic rocks are represented by the first cycle adakitic rocks (Karşlı et al., 2011; Topuz et al., 2005; Dokuz et al., 2013), the second cycle volcanic-subvolcanic (Aslan et al., 2014; Eyuboğlu et al., 2013b; Arslan et al., 2013; Aydınçakır, 2014; Yücel et al., 2017; Kaygusuz et al., 2011, 2019; Aydınçakır et al., 2022) and plutonic rocks (Karşlı et al., 2007; Boztuğ et al., 2004; Özdamar et al., 2017; Eyuboğlu et al., 2017; Kaygusuz and Öztürk, 2015; Kaygusuz et al., 2018, 2020, 2021; Temizel et al., 2018, 2020; Vural and Kaygusuz, 2021), the third cycle volcanic rocks (Aydın et al., 2008; Arslan et al., 2013; Karşlı et al., 2020) and the fourth cycle volcanic-subvolcanic and adakitic rocks (Temizel et al., 2012; Aydın et al., 2008; Dokuz et al., 2013; Yücel et al., 2017). Quaternary units comprise alluvium and terraces.

The study area is situated in the southern part of the ESZ (Fig. 1). The oldest rocks in the study area are represented by Late Cretaceous volcanic and volcanoclastic rocks, which are mainly composed of andesite, basalt and pyroclastic rocks (Fig. 2). The Early Eocene sedimentary rocks representing the first cycle lie conformably on this unit and consist mainly of nummulite-bearing limestones, sandstone, marl and sandy limestone. The Middle Eocene volcanic-volcanoclastic rocks, which represent the first cycle, conformably overlie these Early Eocene sedimentary units (Figs. 3a and b) and consist of basalt, andesite and minor dacite lavas and their pyroclastic equivalents, intercalated with siltstone, sandstone, marl and limestone. All these units were intruded by the second cycle plutonic rocks (43 to 45 Ma; Kaygusuz et al., 2020). Quaternary alluvium forms the youngest rocks in the study area.

Volcanic sequence

The Bayburt volcanic sequences extend in an east-west direction from Bayburt to Gümüşhane areas in the southern part of the ESZ (Figs. 1b and 2). This sequence cover an area of 200 km² in the study area and contain limestones interbedded with sandstone and siltstone at the base and pass upward into volcanoclastic rocks (tuff and agglomerate), lava flows and dykes. Sedimentary and volcanoclastic rocks are widespread at the base, they become rarer upwards and are replaced by lava flows.

The studied second cycle volcanic rocks consist of basalt, basaltic andesite, andesite and minor dacite. Basalt and basaltic andesites are the dominant lithologies within the sequence. Basalt contains subhedral to euhedral olivine, pyroxene and plagioclase phenocrysts. Basaltic andesites have subhedral to euhedral plagioclase, pyroxene and amphibole phenocrysts. Andesitic rocks are characterized by the presence of subhedral to euhedral plagioclase, pyroxene and amphibole phenocrysts. Dacitic rocks comprise a minor part of the sequence, and have large quartz phenocrystals. Dacites also contain subhedral to euhedral plagioclase, amphibole and biotite phenocrysts.

The pyroclastic deposits are mainly composed of basaltic/andesitic breccias succeeded by medium- to thick-bedded tuffs. Angular breccia gravels, 5 to 40 cm in diameter, are cemented by a fine-grained, altered volcanic matrix. Basaltic, andesitic and minor dacitic tuffs and tuffites have less volume than the other members in the sequence. Their cavities are filled with secondary calcite, epidote and quartz minerals. In places where the unit is altered, exfoliation structures are observed. The total thickness of the studied volcanic sequence in the study area is more than 1300 m.

Basaltic lavas, which form the oldest lava in the succession, yield an ⁴⁰Ar/³⁹Ar age of 44.6 ± 0.1 Ma (this study, Table 1). They are overlain by basaltic andesitic lava flows with an ⁴⁰Ar/³⁹Ar age of 44.0 ± 0.1 Ma (this study, Table 1). Andesitic lava flows crop out above

these rocks. Dacitic lavas, which are the youngest lava in the succession, conformably overlie these rocks and yield an $^{40}\text{Ar}/^{39}\text{Ar}$ age of 43.5 ± 0.1 Ma (this study, Table 1).

Material and methods

Rock samples were crushed in steel crushers and ground in an agate mill to a grain size of less than 200 mesh. Major elements were analyzed by inductively coupled plasma-emission spectrometry (ICP-ES) from pulps after 0.2 g samples of rock powder were fused with 1.5 g LiBO_2 and then dissolved in 100 ml 5% HNO_3 . Trace and rare earth elements were determined by inductively coupled plasma-mass spectrometry (ICP-MS) from pulps after 0.2 g samples of rock powder were dissolved by four acid digestions. Sample solutions were aspirated into an ICP mass spectrometer (Perkin-Elmer Elan 6000) or an ICP emission spectrometer (Jarrel Ash Atomcomp Model 975) for element analyses. Loss on ignition (LOI) was determined according to the weight difference at 1000°C . Analytical precision, as calculated from replicate analyses, lies in the ranges of 0.01-0.04 wt% for the major elements and 0.01–8.0 ppm for trace elements including rare earth elements (REEs).

Three single groundmass fragments from the studied volcanic rocks were analysed by the continuous laser probe (CO_2 Synrad) stepwise heating ^{39}Ar - ^{40}Ar technique. The samples were wrapped in Al foil to form small packets (11 mm \times 11 mm) that were stacked up to form columns within which packets of fluence monitors were inserted every 10 samples. Irradiation was performed at the McMaster reactor (Hamilton, Canada) and used ^{58}Co high flux location without Cd-shielding. It lasted 13.42 h ($\text{J/h} \approx 3.71 \times 10^{-4} \text{ h}^{-1}$). The irradiation reference was sanidine TCRs (28.608 ± 0.033 Ma; according to Renne et al., 1998, 2010 and 2011). The sample arrangement in the irradiation allowed us to monitor the flux gradient with a precision

of ± 0.2 %. Heating steps were performed with a CO₂ laser probe. All experiments concerned single grains. The experimental procedure was described by Ruffet et al. (1991, 1995). The five argon isotopes and the background baselines were measured in 11 cycles, in peak-jumping mode. Blanks were performed routinely every first or third/fourth run and subtracted from subsequent sample gas fractions. All isotopic measurements are corrected for K, Ca and Cl isotopic interferences, mass discrimination and atmospheric argon contamination. Apparent age errors are plotted at the 2σ level and do not include the errors on the $^{40}\text{Ar}^*/^{39}\text{Ar}_K$ ratio and age of the monitor and decay constant. The errors on the $^{40}\text{Ar}^*/^{39}\text{Ar}_K$ ratio and age of the monitor and decay constant are included in the final calculation of the (pseudo-) plateau age error margins or for apparent ages individually cited. The analyses were performed on a Map215 mass spectrometer.

Sr and Nd isotopes from the studied volcanic rocks were conducted using thermal ionisation mass spectrometry (TIMS) on a Finnigan MAT-262 mass spectrometer. For Sr and Nd isotope analyses, approximately 50 mg of whole-rock powder was first dissolved in 52% HF for four days at 140 °C on a hot plate, then dried, dissolved in 6 N HCl, dried again and finally dissolved in 2.5 N HCl. Sr and Nd were separated using conventional ion exchange techniques. Isotopic compositions were measured on a double Re filament configuration. Total blanks were Sr-Nd-Sm < 0.05 ng; uncertainties were 2% for $^{87}\text{Rb}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ ratio and 0.2% for $^{147}\text{Sm}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ ratio. Sr and Nd isotope ratios were normalized to NBS987 ($^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr} = 0.710179 \pm 0.00001$) and JNd_(i) ($^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd} = 0.511958 \pm 0.000006$; after Tanaka et al. (2000) standard. The values measured for these standards were 0.710246 ± 0.000010 and 0.512076 ± 0.000006 , respectively.

Results

Petrography

Basalts have microlithic and microlithic–porphyritic textures (Fig. 3c). They consist of plagioclase, pyroxene, olivine phenocrysts and Fe-Ti oxides with a fine-grained groundmass. Basaltic andesites have generally microlithic to microlithic-porphyritic textures with phenocrysts of plagioclase, clinopyroxene and minor amphibole (Fig. 3d). The groundmass is composed of plagioclase microlites, small pyroxene grains and minor interstitial glass. Andesites exhibit hypo-crystalline porphyritic and glomeroporphyritic textures with phenocrysts of plagioclase, clinopyroxene, amphibole and minor biotite (Figs. 3e and f). The groundmass has a hyalopilitic texture and contains microliths of the main mineral constituents along with volcanic glass. Dacites exhibit microgranular, glomeroporphyritic and porphyritic textures characterized by plagioclase, amphibole, quartz and biotite phenocrysts set in a groundmass including microlites of the same minerals, Fe–Ti oxide and glass.

Plagioclase is the most abundant phenocryst and groundmass phase, and is found in all rock types. They exhibit albite twinning, oscillatory zoning, and prismatic-cellular growth. Phenocrysts are common in basaltic andesites, andesites and dacites. Anorthite content range between An_{88-49} in basalts, An_{83-46} in basaltic andesites, An_{60-35} in andesites, and An_{54-31} in dacites (Kaygusuz et al., 2019). Pyroxene forms subhedral to euhedral crystals and is found in glomeroporphyritic aggregates together with Fe-Ti oxides and plagioclase. The pyroxene phenocrysts consist of both ortho and clinopyroxene. Clinopyroxene phenocrystals (up to 2 mm) are the most common mafic mineral in the basaltic andesites. Pyroxenes are augite and diopside ($Wo_{48-38} En_{46-38} Fo_{23-9}$, Kaygusuz et al., 2019). Diopside and augite are found in basalts and basaltic andesites and augite in andesites (Kaygusuz et al., 2019). Inclusions of opaque minerals and plagioclase occur in large pyroxene crystals (2.5 mm) showing poikilitic

texture. Some minerals are partially altered to calcite and uraltite. Amphibole occurs as both euhedral and subhedral phenocrystals and microlites in groundmass. They are found in basaltic andesite, andesite and dacite. Phenocrystals (2-2.5 mm) are common in basaltic andesites, andesites and dacites. Amphiboles are calcic magnesio-hornblende in composition (Kaygusuz et al., 2019). Some crystals show partial chloritization. Olivine is found as euhedral to subhedral crystals in basalt and basaltic andesite. Biotite, which is anhedral–subhedral, occurs in dacitic rocks and is rimmed by Fe–Ti oxide. Quartz is found in dacitic rocks, and embayed quartz crystals are common. Fe–Ti oxides occur mainly together with mafic minerals and are disseminated in the groundmass. They are magnetite–titanomagnetite in composition (Kaygusuz et al., 2019). Kaygusuz et al. (2019) indicated that the clinopyroxene pressure values of basalt, basaltic andesite and andesite range from 0.53 to 4.66 kbar and temperature values change from 1121 to 1182 °C. The clinopyroxene-liquid thermobarometer of Putirka (2008) and the only clinopyroxene core compositions were used to calculate the crystallisation temperature and pressure. Amphibole pressures and temperatures give values of 1.86 to 2.54 kbar and 788 to 872 °C for the andesitic and dacitic rocks (Kaygusuz et al., 2019). Al-in hornblende pressure calculations were made according to Johnson and Rutherford (1989) and amphibole-plagioclase temperature calculations according to Blundy and Holland (1990). Considering the thermobarometric calculations mentioned above, it is concluded that the calc-alkaline magma forming the Bayburt volcanic rocks equilibrated at shallow crustal depth.

$^{40}\text{Ar} / ^{39}\text{Ar}$ geochronology

To determine the age of volcanic rocks, we separated groundmass fractions from one basalt, one basaltic andesite and dacite. The results are presented in Table 1, Table S1 and Fig 4. The

$^{40}\text{Ar}/^{39}\text{Ar}$ dating of the groundmass of basalt M-36 was performed in 14 heating steps and the age spectrum was defined by steps 9-14 with a plateau age 44.6 ± 0.1 Ma with 81.8% of the released ^{39}Ar (Fig. 4a, Table S1 in the electronic supplementary material, ESM). The isochron age for this sample is 44.5 ± 0.4 Ma with mean square of weighted deviates (MSWD)=1.76 (Fig. 4b, Table S1). $^{40}\text{Ar}/^{39}\text{Ar}$ dating of groundmass of basaltic andesite K-2 was performed in 14 heating steps. Steps 4-14 produced a plateau age of 44.0 ± 0.1 Ma with 92.8% of the released ^{39}Ar (Fig. 4c, Table S1). The isochron age of this sample is 43.9 ± 0.2 Ma with MSWD = 0.57 (Fig. 4d). $^{40}\text{Ar}/^{39}\text{Ar}$ dating of groundmass of dacite K-22 was performed in 15 steps (Table S1). The results suggest that the sample was affected by minor alteration or post-crystallization heating. However, steps 6-13 yielded a plateau age of 43.5 ± 0.1 Ma (Figs. 4e and f, Table S1). Obtained $^{40}\text{Ar}/^{39}\text{Ar}$ ages vary between 44.6 ± 0.1 and 43.5 ± 0.1 Ma, indicating that the studied volcanic rocks erupted in the Middle Eocene (Lutetian).

Geochemistry

Field and petrographic observations indicate that the studied volcanic samples in the Bayburt area suffered from minor alteration and partial chloritization and argillization. Most samples have loss on ignition (LOI) values <2.9 wt%, except for samples Y7 and Y35 that have LOI values of 3.5 and 3.1 wt%, respectively (Table 2).

Whole-rock compositions of the samples from the Bayburt volcanic rocks are given in Table 2. These volcanic rocks have a large range of SiO_2 contents (48 to 68 wt%) and Mg numbers [$\text{Mg\#} = 100 \times \text{MgO}/(\text{MgO} + \text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3^{\text{T}})$] (41 to 57; Table 2). The MgO and $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3^{\text{T}}$ contents range from 1.2% to 5.6% and from 3.5% to 10.6%, respectively (Table 2).

The samples plot in the sub-alkaline field on the TAS diagram (Fig. 5a). The samples show calc-alkaline affinity on the Th versus Co diagram (Fig. 5b). Most samples are located

in the calc-alkaline field in the AFM diagram, but a few samples plotted on the tholeiitic and calc-alkaline division line (Fig. 5c). Andesitic rocks have medium-K composition, whereas basaltic andesitic and andesitic rocks have high-K composition. Basalts have low to medium-K composition (Fig. 5d).

Contents of CaO, Al₂O₃, Fe₂O₃, MgO, P₂O₅ and TiO₂ correlate negatively with SiO₂ (Fig. 6), whereas K₂O shows a positive correlation and Na₂O shows a weak positive correlation. Positive correlations are seen for Ba, Th, Nb, Rb, Zr, Pb and La versus SiO₂, and weak negative correlations are seen for Sr, Ni and Y (Fig. 6). Basaltic rocks have higher MgO, CaO, Fe₂O₃^T, Al₂O₃, TiO₂ and Ni, whereas dacitic rocks have higher K₂O, Ba, Zr, Rb and Nb contents than basaltic andesitic and andesitic rocks (Fig. 6).

On primitive mantle-normalized diagrams all samples exhibit significant enrichment in large ion lithophile elements (LILEs) (K, Th, Rb) relative to high field strength elements (HFSEs) and also negative Nb, Ti and Ta anomalies relative rare earth element (REE) of similar incompatibility (Figs. 7a-d). All samples have similar LREE enriched patterns revealed by enrichment in light rare earth elements (LREE) and nearly flat heavy rare earth elements (HREE) (La_n/Sm_n=1.85 to 5.62, Gd_N/Lu_N= 1.14 to 2.16, Table 2, Figs. 7e-h). Dacites are characterised by negative Eu (Eu_n/Eu*) anomalies.

Sr-Nd isotope geochemistry

The studied samples have more radiogenic ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr and less radiogenic ¹⁴³Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd isotopic ratios than the bulk silica earth (BSE; Fig. 8a). The Bayburt volcanic rocks display relatively homogeneous Sr-Nd isotopic compositions (Table 3; Fig. 8a). The values for ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr_(i) range from 0.70485 to 0.70551 and the values for ¹⁴³Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd_(i) range from 0.51255 to 0.51267 (εNd = -0.71 to +1.76), plotting within the mantle array (Fig. 8a; Table 3). Basalts and

basaltic andesites have lower $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}_{(i)}$ values than andesites and dacites. A single-stage depleted mantle Nd model ages of the studied Bayburt samples are in the range of 0.71-1.01 Ga (Table 3).

The Bayburt volcanic rocks partly overlap with the other second cycle volcanic rocks from the ESZ (Kaygusuz et al., 2011; Aydınçakır and Şen, 2013; Arslan et al., 2013; Yücel et al., 2017; Aslan et al., 2014) and the second cycle plutonic rocks (Karşlı et al., 2007; Eyuboğlu et al., 2017; Kaygusuz and Öztürk, 2015; Kaygusuz et al., 2020). However, they have higher Sr isotopic ratios than the first cycle volcanic rocks (Aydınçakır, 2014; Temizel et al., 2012, 2016), Early Eocene Kop adakitic rocks (Eyuboğlu et al., 2013a), the third cycle adakitic rocks (Karşlı et al., 2020), the fourth cycle adakitic rocks (Eyuboğlu et al., 2012; Dokuz et al., 2013; Karşlı et al., 2019) and the fourth cycle volcanic rocks (Temizel et al., 2012; Aydın et al., 2008; Yücel et al., 2017; Aslan et al. 2014). They have lower Sr isotopic ratios than the other first cycle adakitic rocks (Eyuboğlu et al., 2011, 2018; Karşlı et al., 2010) (Fig. 8b).

Discussion

Age constraints

In previous studies, the age of the studied Bayburt volcanic rocks was estimated based on contact relationships, volcano-stratigraphic criteria and biostratigraphic data. Volcanic activity started in the Early Palaeocene and continued to Eocene time (Keskin et al., 1989). The new ^{40}Ar – ^{39}Ar ages in this study place Bayburt volcanic rocks between 44.6 ± 0.1 Ma and 43.5 ± 0.1 Ma, within the Lutetian (the first cycle).

When compared with other Middle Eocene volcanic rocks in the ESZ, the new ^{40}Ar – ^{39}Ar ages (44 to 43 Ma) of the studied Bayburt volcanic rocks are coeval with the Torul (Gümüşhane) volcanic rocks (43 Ma; Kaygusuz et al., 2011), Alucra-Bayburt volcanic rocks (44–43 Ma; Arslan et al., 2013) and Trabzon-Giresun volcanic rocks (44–43 Ma; Yücel et al., 2017). The Bayburt volcanic rocks are younger than the Gümüşhane tuffs (45 Ma; Aslan, 2010), Trabzon-Giresun basaltic-andesitic lava flows (45 Ma; Yücel et al., 2017) and Borçka volcanic rocks (46 Ma; Aydınçakır and Şen, 2013), but older than Trabzon-Giresun andesitic-trachytic dikes (42–41 Ma; Yücel et al., 2017) and Gümüşhane volcanic rocks (37 Ma; Aslan et al., 2014).

Fractional crystallization

The samples from the Bayburt volcanic rocks have low Mg#, MgO, Co, Ni and higher $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}_{(i)}$ ratios demonstrating that the samples distinctively differ from primary magma composition and the magma has undergone significant fractional crystallization (FC; Tables 2 and 4).

Increasing K_2O , Zr, Rb, Ba, Th, Nb and Pb versus SiO_2 and the decreasing in CaO, $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3^{\text{T}}$, MgO, Al_2O_3 , P_2O_5 , TiO_2 , Ni, Y and Sr content with increasing silica seen in basaltic to dacitic rocks indicate that they evolved via FC processes (Fig. 6). Decreasing TiO_2 , P_2O_5 and Sr with increasing silica suggest fractionation of magnetite, apatite, and plagioclase, respectively (Fig. 6). Decreasing CaO suggests clinopyroxene fractionation. Increasing K_2O and Rb with increasing SiO_2 suggest that biotite and K-feldspar were not the early fractionation phases. Increasing silica with decreasing Sr and the negative Eu anomalies indicate plagioclase fractionation in the dacitic rocks (Figs. 6 and 7). The downward-concave

REE patterns of the rocks indicate clinopyroxene or hornblende fractionation (Thirlwall et al., 1994).

The effectiveness of the FC process was tested by a Rb versus Y plot (Fig. 9a). Since Rb has a positive correlation with the increase in SiO₂ (Fig. 6) content during fractionation, Rb is used as the fractionation index. The Y content of the studied samples has a negative correlation with the increasing Rb content (low-Y series), indicating plagioclase, clinopyroxene and hornblende fractionation (Fig. 9a).

On the MgO versus Sr diagram, all samples have negative correlation (Fig. 9b). This correlation indicates fractionation of ferro-magnesian minerals occurred in basalt, basaltic andesite and andesites, while feldspar fractionation occurred in dacitic rocks (Fig. 9b).

Assimilation - fractional crystallizations

The ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr_(i) ratios correlate positively with SiO₂ and Th and negatively with MgO (Figs. 10a, c and e). The ¹⁴³Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd_(i) ratios correlate negatively with SiO₂, and positively with MgO and Sm/Nd (Figs. 10b, d and f). Such trends suggest that the magmas were affected by assimilation - fractional crystallization processes. Assimilation of the crustal material was accompanied fractional crystallization.

The roles of crustal assimilation and fractional crystallization processes were evaluated using the equation described by DePaolo (1981). In our model, upper continental crust values of Taylor and McLennan (1985) are used as crustal end-members, and the upper mantle composition of Klein (2004) is used as parental magma composition. To estimate the assimilation rate of the crust material by ascending magmas, different theoretical curves were produced for the value of $r = 0.2$ (the ratio of the rate of assimilation to the rate of fractional crystallisation) and the bulk distribution coefficients (D_{Sr} , D_{Nd}) (Fig. 11a, Table S2 in the

ESM). The studied Bayburt samples matched the $r = 0.2$ curves indicating that the parental magma was not significantly contaminated by continental crust (Fig. 11a). However, the above model can be considered as indicative only, as the modelled curve rely on appropriate values for the end-member compositions and D_s .

Mantle source

Among subduction-related magmas, those formed via addition of water-rich fluids to the mantle wedge generally have higher Ba/La ratios (Sheppard and Taylor, 1992; Elburg et al., 2002), Ba/Th (>170 ; Hawkesworth et al., 1997) and Pb/Ce (>0.1 ; Elburg et al., 2002), whereas magmas formed with the involvement of slab-derived melts and/or sediments are generally characterised by high Th/Ce ratios (>0.15 ; Hawkesworth et al., 1997). The mean values for Pb/Ce, Th/Ce and Ba/La ratios of the studied Bayburt volcanic rocks are 0.25, 0.09 and 20 (Table 2), respectively, indicating that water-rich fluids played an important role. This is also consistent with a range of Pb/Nd values at a constant $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}_{(i)}$ (Fig. 11b) and with a wide range of Ba/Th ratios of the least fractionated samples ($\text{SiO}_2 < 52$ wt%) at similar La/Sm (Fig. 11c). A typical subduction-related incompatible-element pattern on mantle-normalised diagrams, characterised by prominent negative Nb and Ta anomalies (Fig 7), is also consistent with the important role of slab-derived fluids. Additionally, on the Ce/Pb versus Ce diagram (Fig. 11d), most of the samples correspond to the field of arc volcanics. The higher Th/Yb values at a given Ta/Yb compared to the mantle array (Fig. 11e; Pearce et al., 1990) is another evidence for addition of subduction related components. The trend displayed by the samples parallel to the mantle array can indicate either a range of variable enriched mantle source, or involvement of crustal assimilation.

Given that the least fractionated rocks ($\text{SiO}_2 < 52 \text{ wt\%}$) have low Mg\# (54 to 44), MgO (5.55 to 3.14 wt%) and compatible trace element contents ($\text{Ni} = 14.4$ to 3.9 ppm and $\text{Co} = 28.9$ to 20.1 ppm; Table 2) are substantially evolved (cf. 500 to 600 ppm Cr, 250 to 300 ppm Ni, and 27 to 80 ppm Co in primary magmas; Wilkinson and Le Maitre, 1987; Perfit et al., 1980), no inferences on the mantle source composition or conditions of melting can be made.

Conclusions

Comprehensive whole-rock major, trace and rare earth elements, geochronological and Sr-Nd-Pb isotope data for the studied volcanic rocks from the southern part of the Eastern Pontides allow new insights into the petrogenetic evolution of the Middle Eocene magmas and enable us to reach the following conclusions. (i) The studied Bayburt volcanic rocks vary from basalt to dacite in composition, and define a calc-alkaline series showed enrichment of LILEs and LREEs, and depletion of HFSEs, suggesting similar sources and petrogenetic processes. (ii) ^{40}Ar - ^{39}Ar ages of the rocks reveals that the studied volcanic rocks were emplaced in the Lutetian (44 to 43 Ma, Middle Eocene) and coincide with the time period of the post-collisional extensional regime in the Eastern Pontides. (iii) The Bayburt volcanic rocks have narrow initial $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ ratios varying between 0.70485 and 0.70551 and initial $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ values between 0.51255 and 0.51267 indicating enriched source composition. These data correspond to the mantle array on the isotope ratio diagram. (iv) The Bayburt volcanic rocks were mostly affected by fractional crystallization processes rather than the other magmatic processes, such as AFC, according to trace element chemistry, mineral chemistry and isotope data. (v) The studied volcanic rocks were generated from an enriched

lithospheric mantle source initially metasomatized by subduction fluids in a post-collisional extensional-related geodynamic setting.

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FIGURE CAPTIONS

Fig. 1 (a) Tectonic map of Turkey and its surroundings (modified from Okay and Tüysüz, 1999), **(b)** Simplified geological map of the Eastern Pontides showing the distribution of Eocene and Miocene volcanic rocks and Eocene plutonic rocks (modified from Arslan et al., 2013; Güven, 1993; Temizel et al., 2016). NAFZ – North Anatolian Fault Zone

Fig. 2 Geological map of the study area

Fig. 3 Field view and cross-polarised transmitted-light photomicrographs of textural features of the studied Bayburt volcanic rocks **(a)** Field view of the contact between Eocene sedimentary and volcanic rocks, **(b)** field view of Eocene volcanic rocks, **(c)** microlithic textures in basalts, and **(d-f)** microlithic-porphyritic and glomeroporphyritic textures in basaltic andesites and andesites (Pl: plagioclase, Cpx: clinopyroxene, Amp: amphibole)

Fig. 4 ^{40}Ar - ^{39}Ar ages of the Bayburt volcanic rocks, **(a-b)** basalt (M-36), **(c-d)** basaltic andesite (K-2) and **(e-f)** dacite (K-22)

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Fig. 6 (a-r) SiO_2 versus major oxides, trace elements and rare earth elements variation plots for Bayburt volcanic rocks

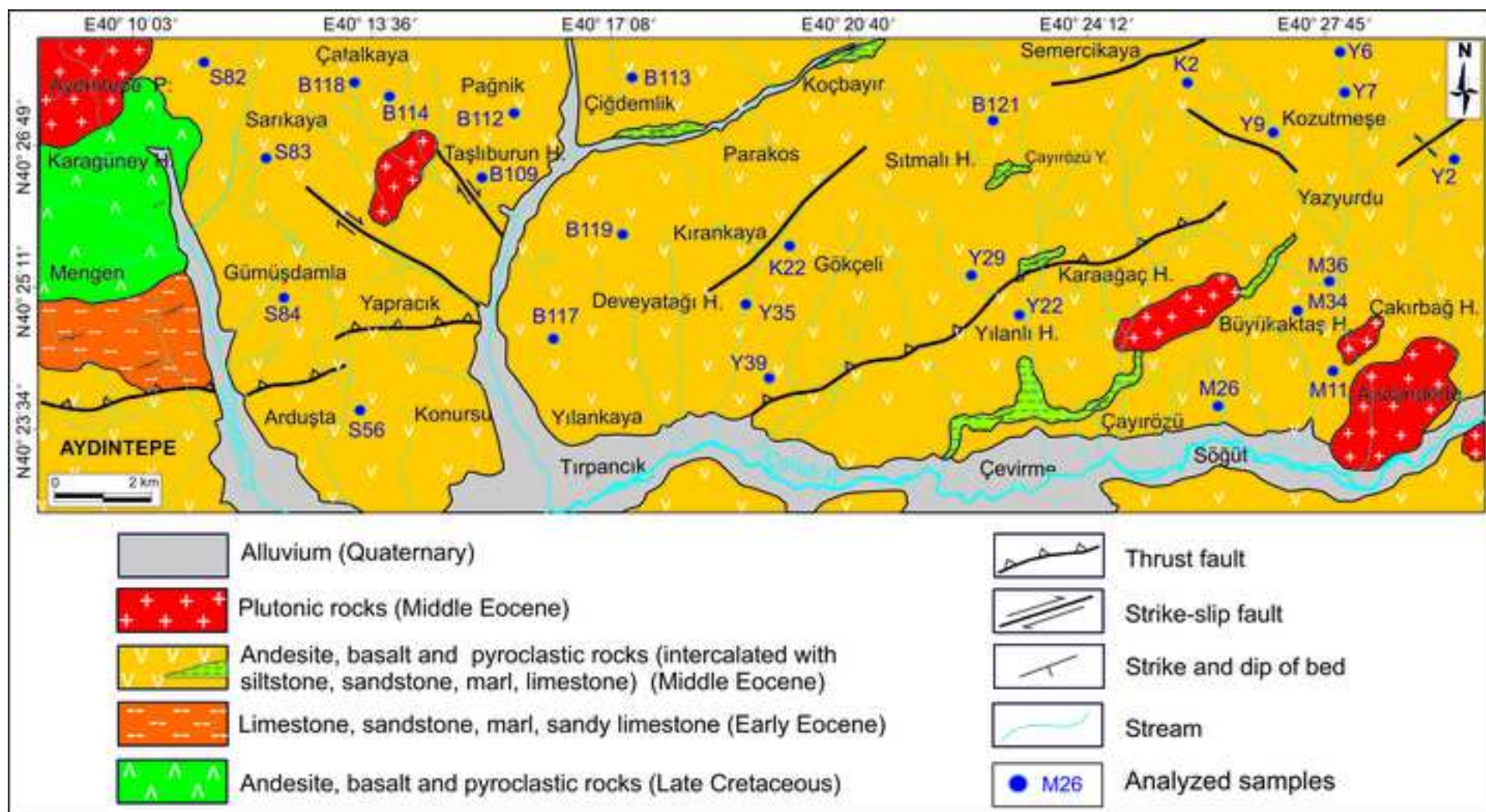
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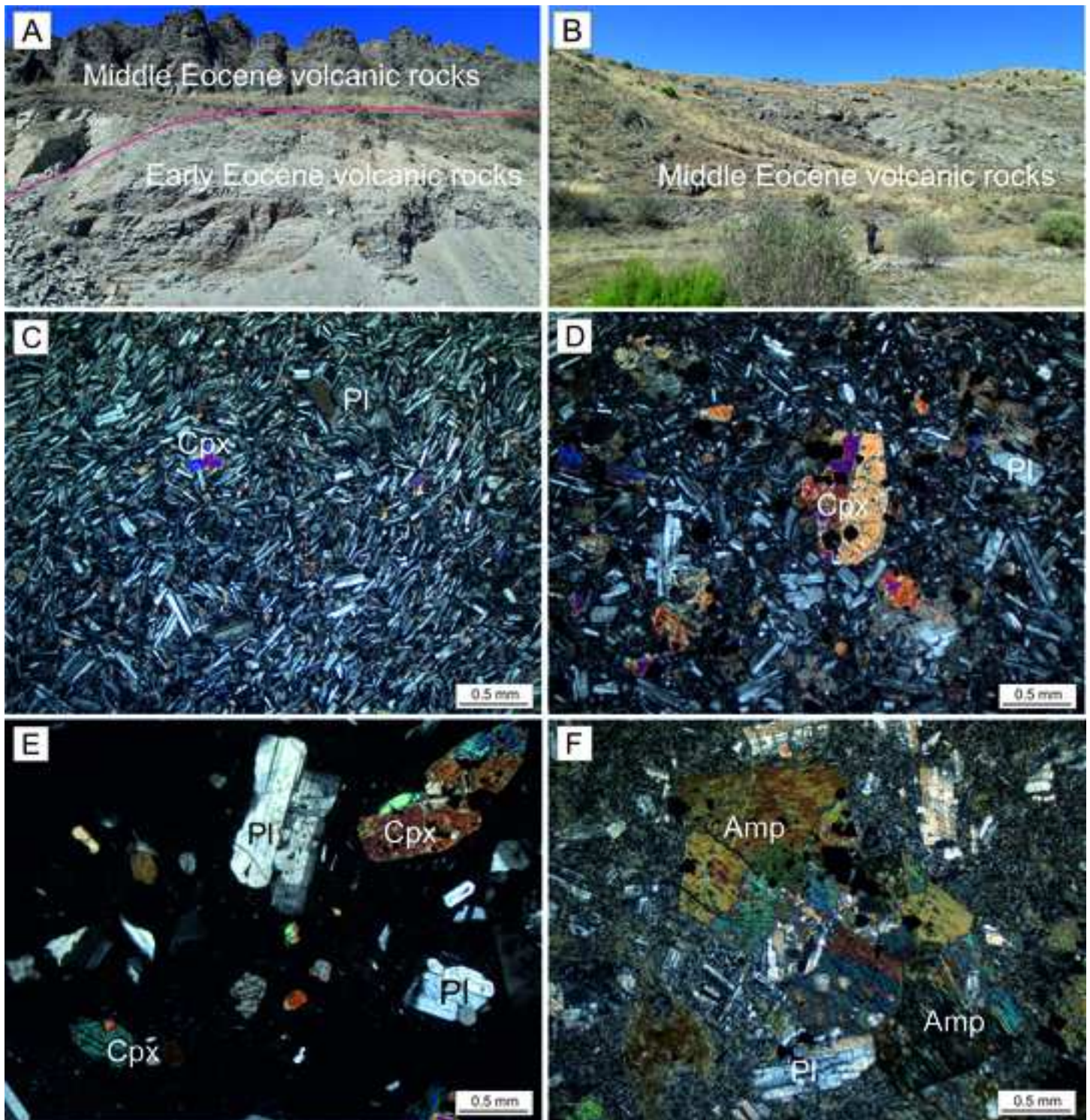
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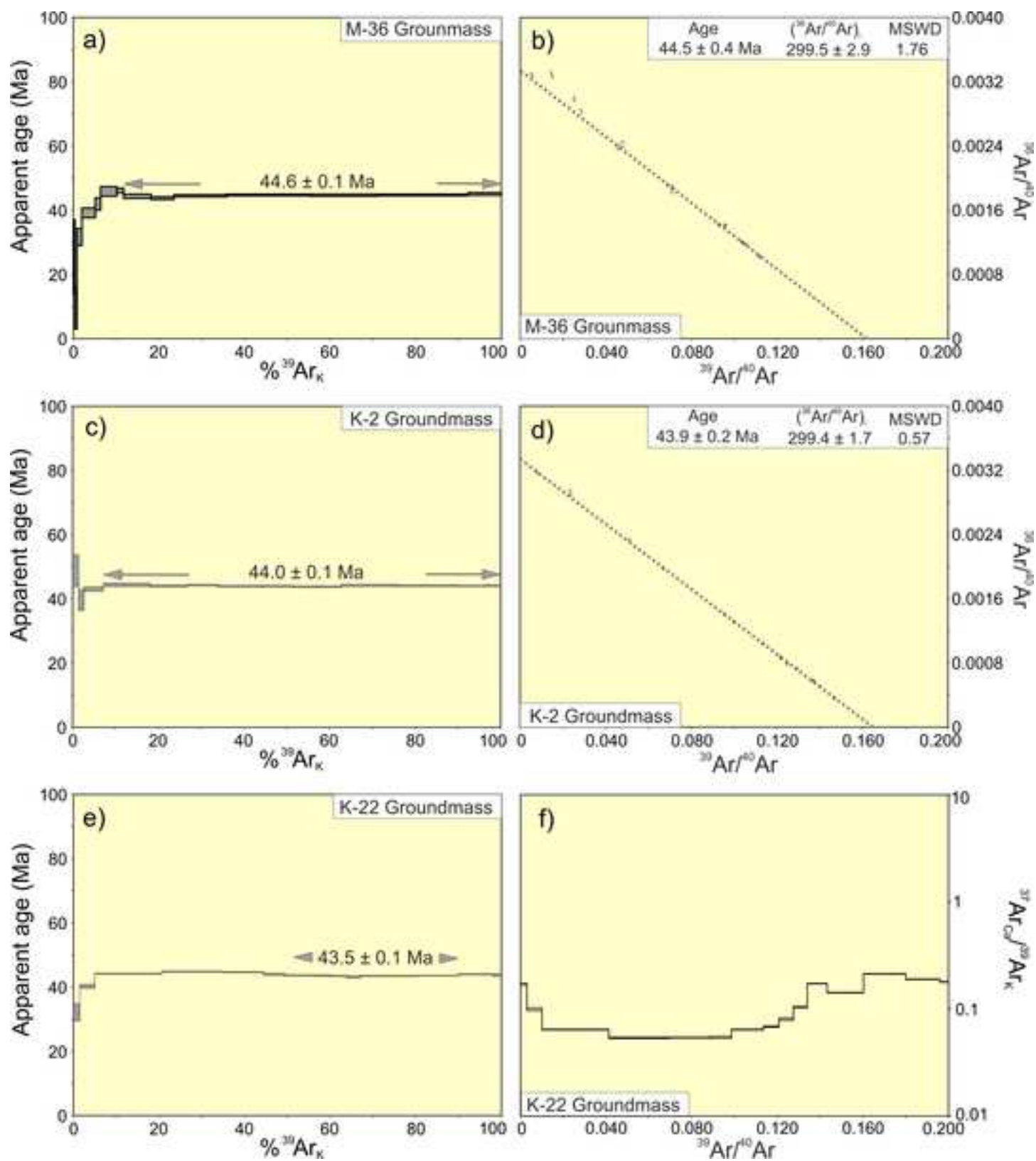
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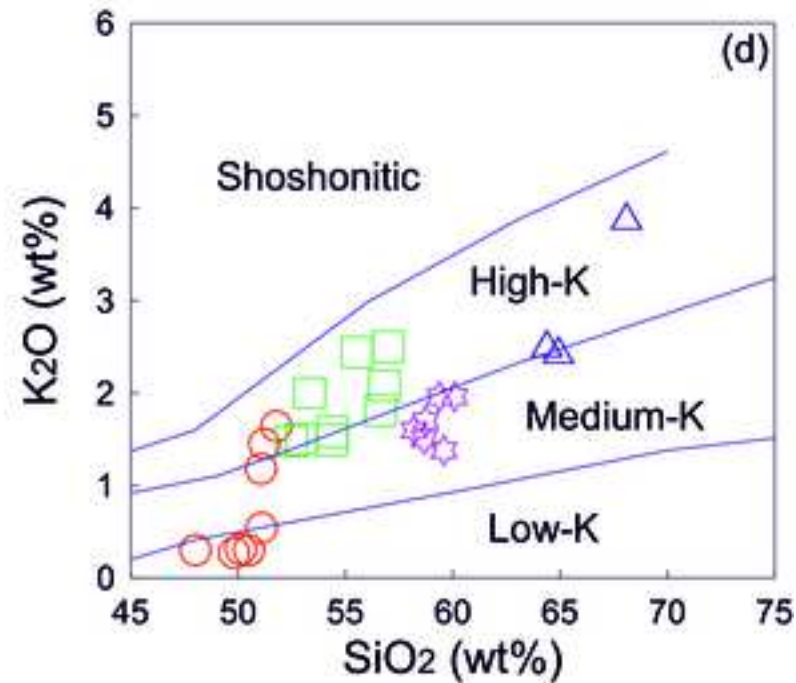
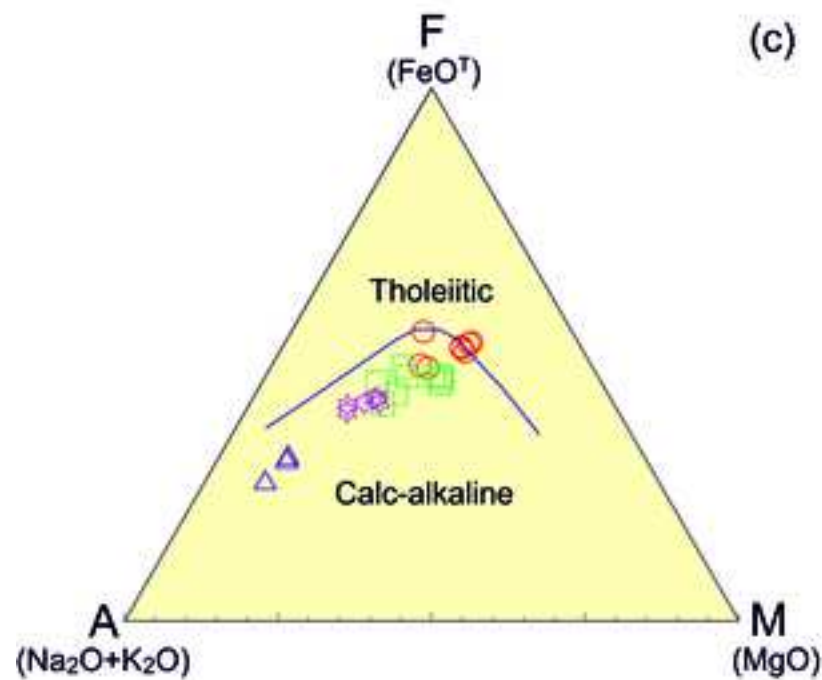
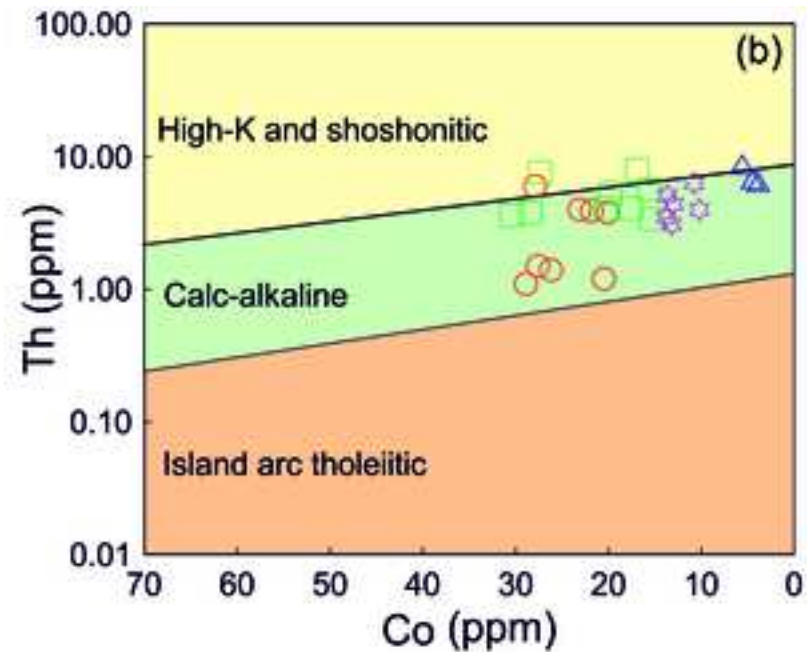
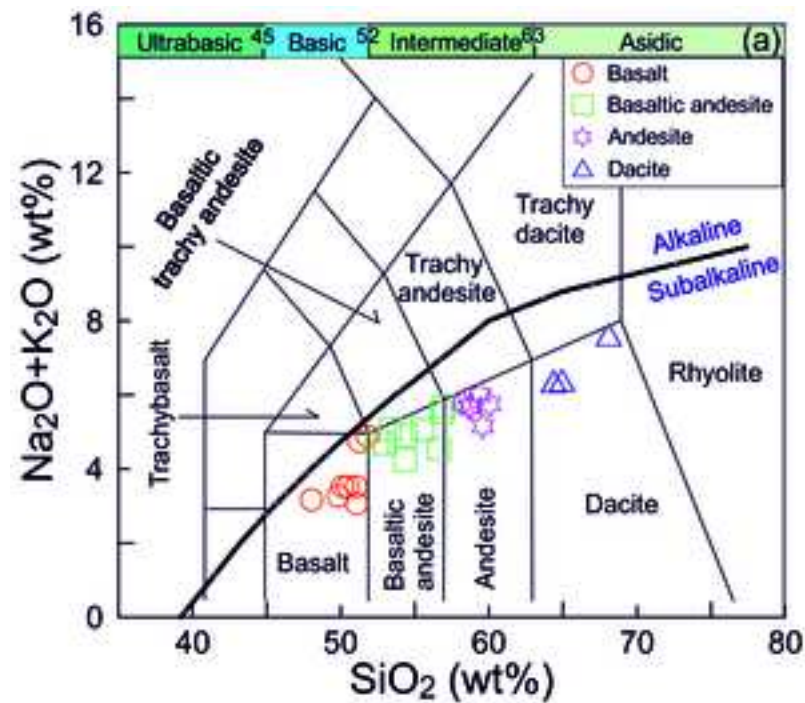
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807 and $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}_{(i)}$, **(e)** $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}_{(i)}$ versus Th, and **(f)** $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}_{(i)}$ versus Sm/Nd diagrams for
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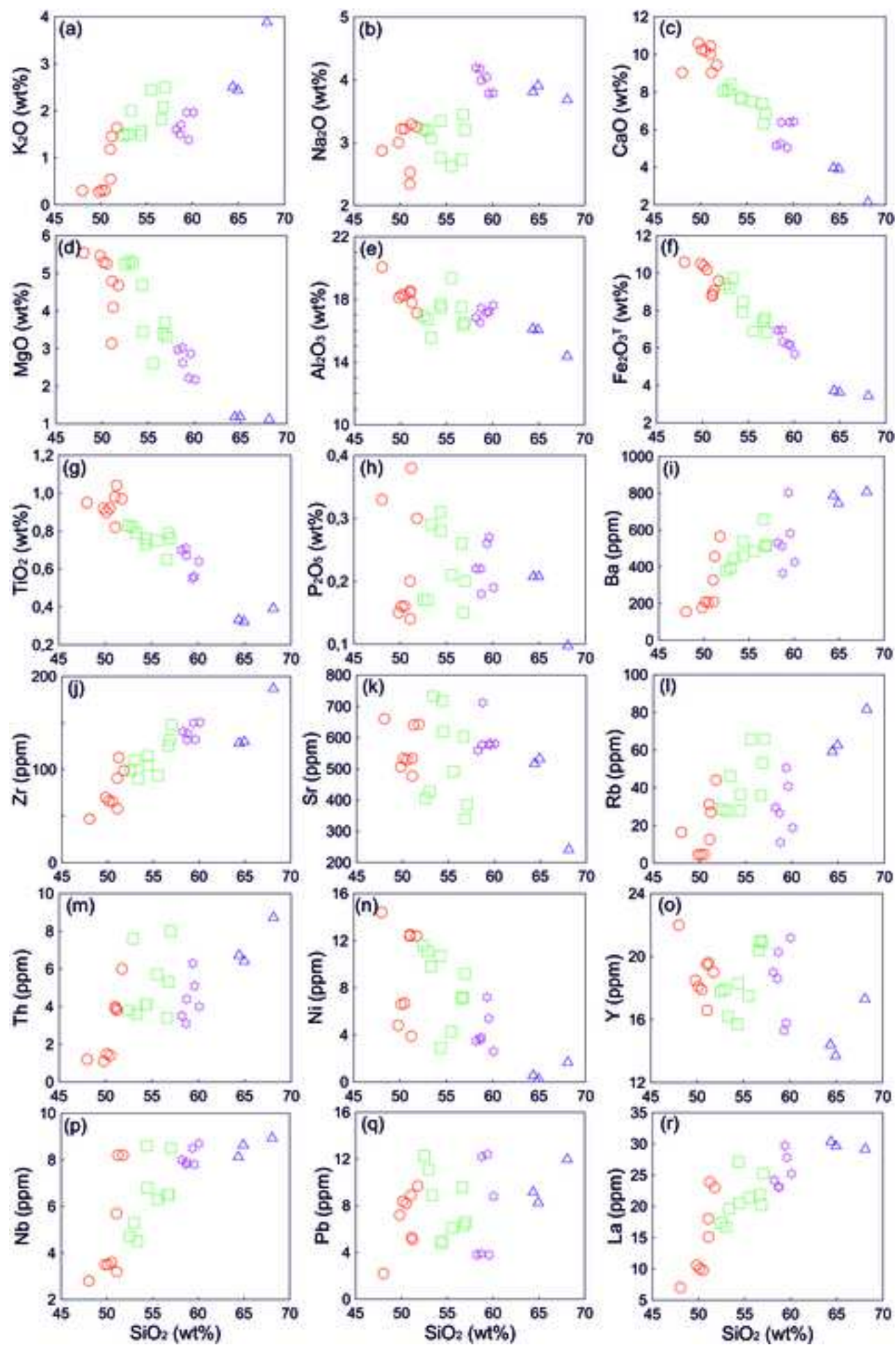
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812 and **(e)** Th/Yb versus Ta/Yb (after Pearce et al., 1990) diagrams for Bayburt volcanic rocks.
813 (d): Data fields after Taylor and McLennan (1985), Hofmann (1988), Harms et al. (1997),
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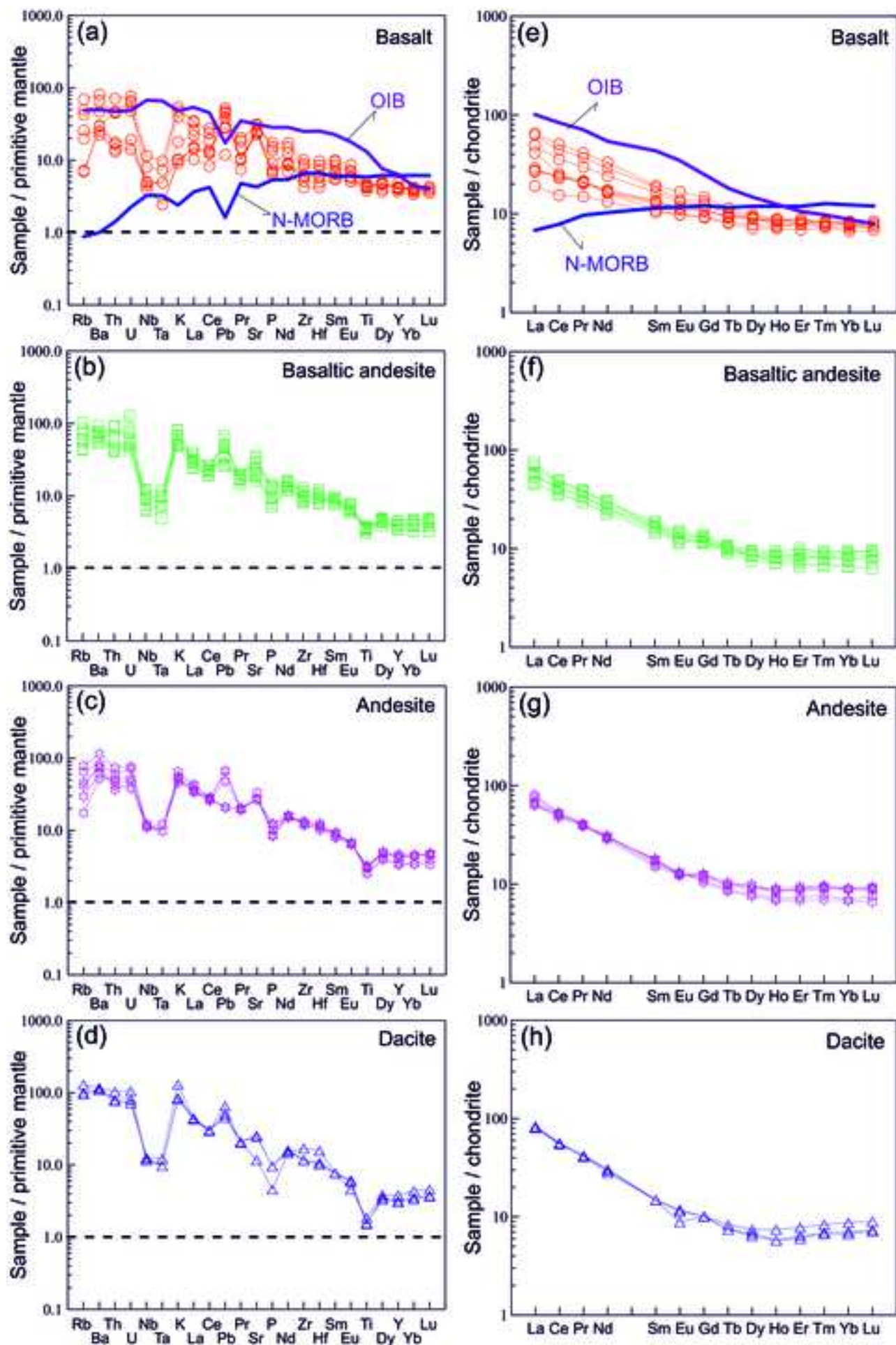


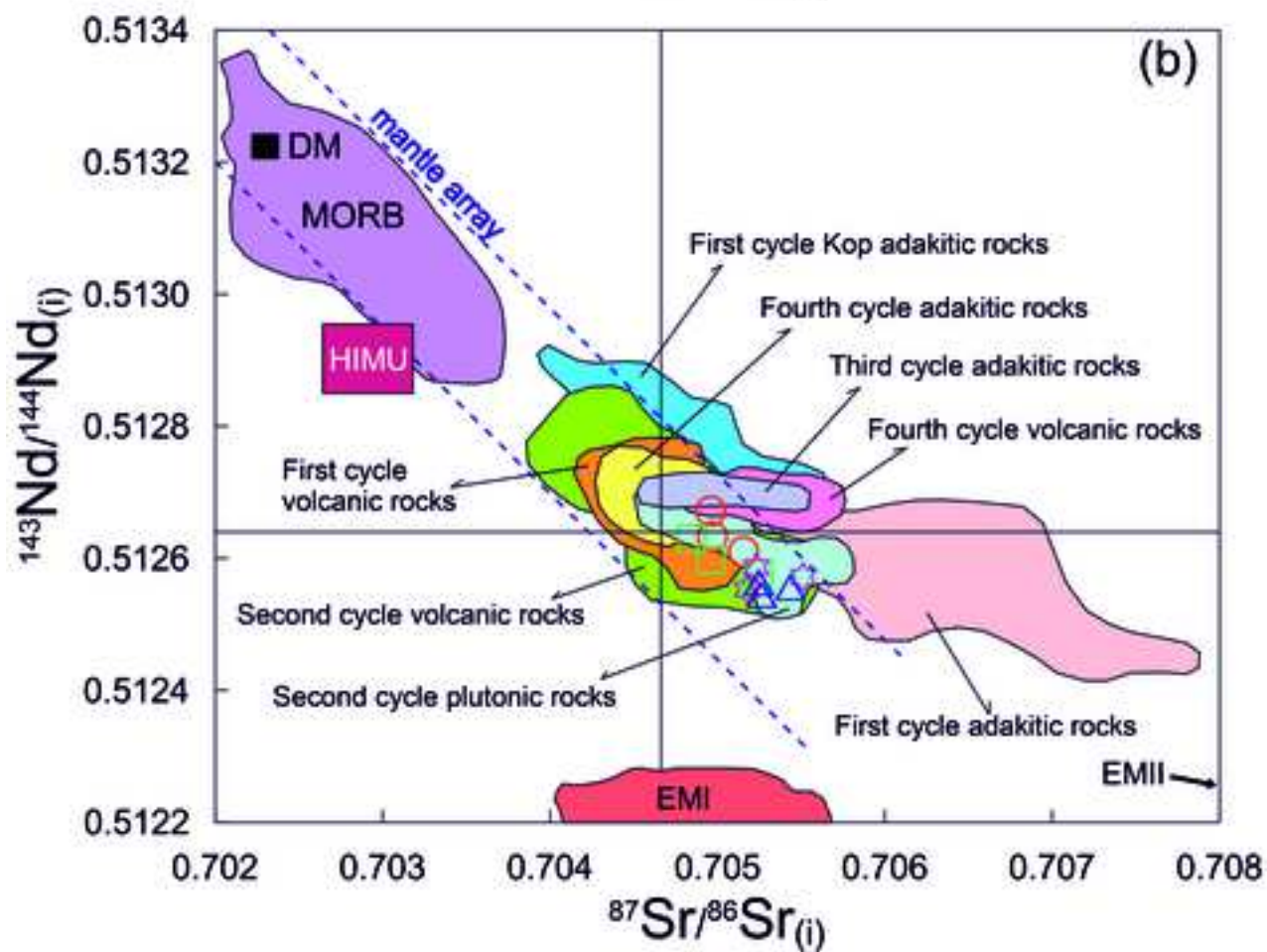
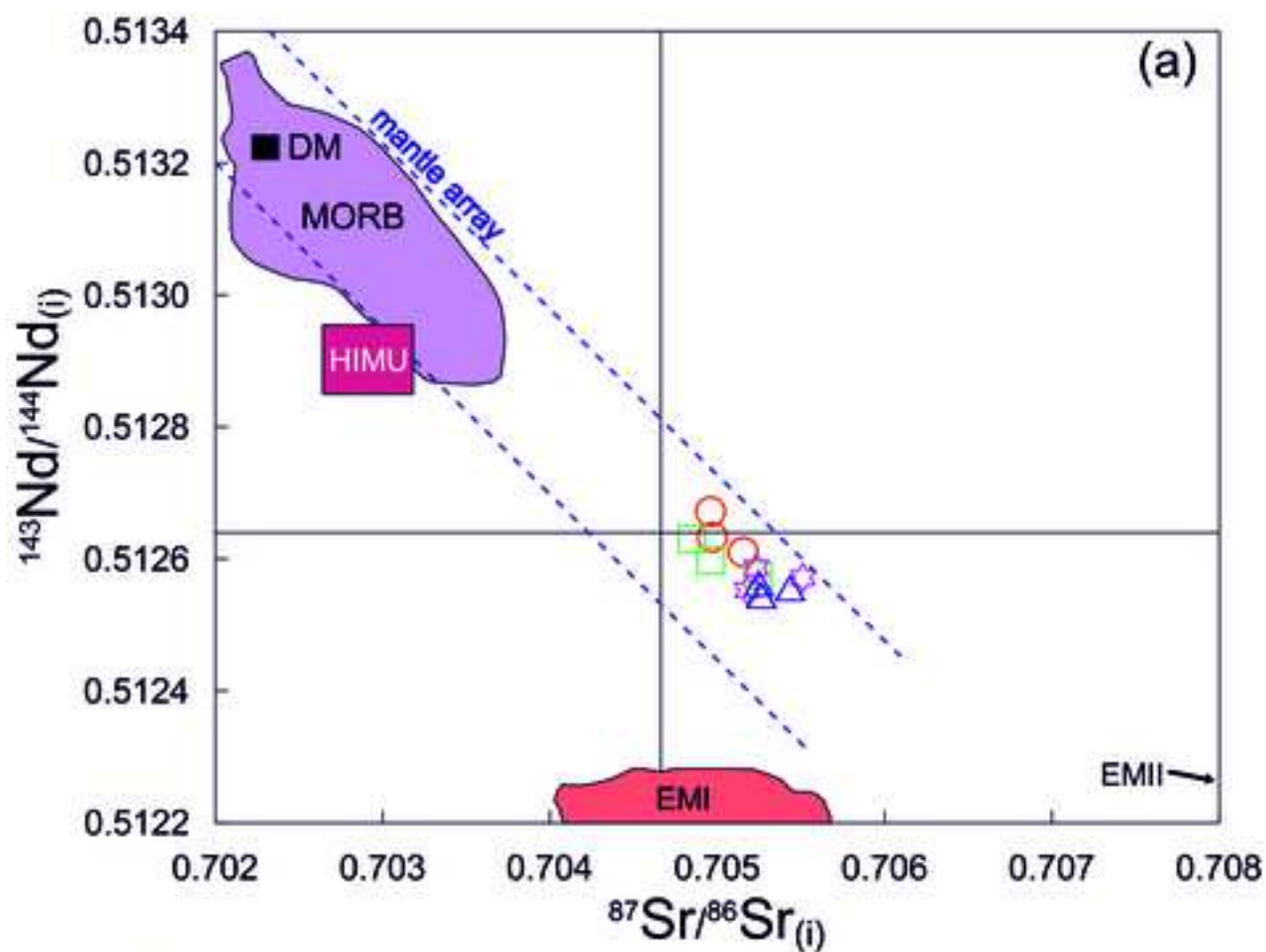


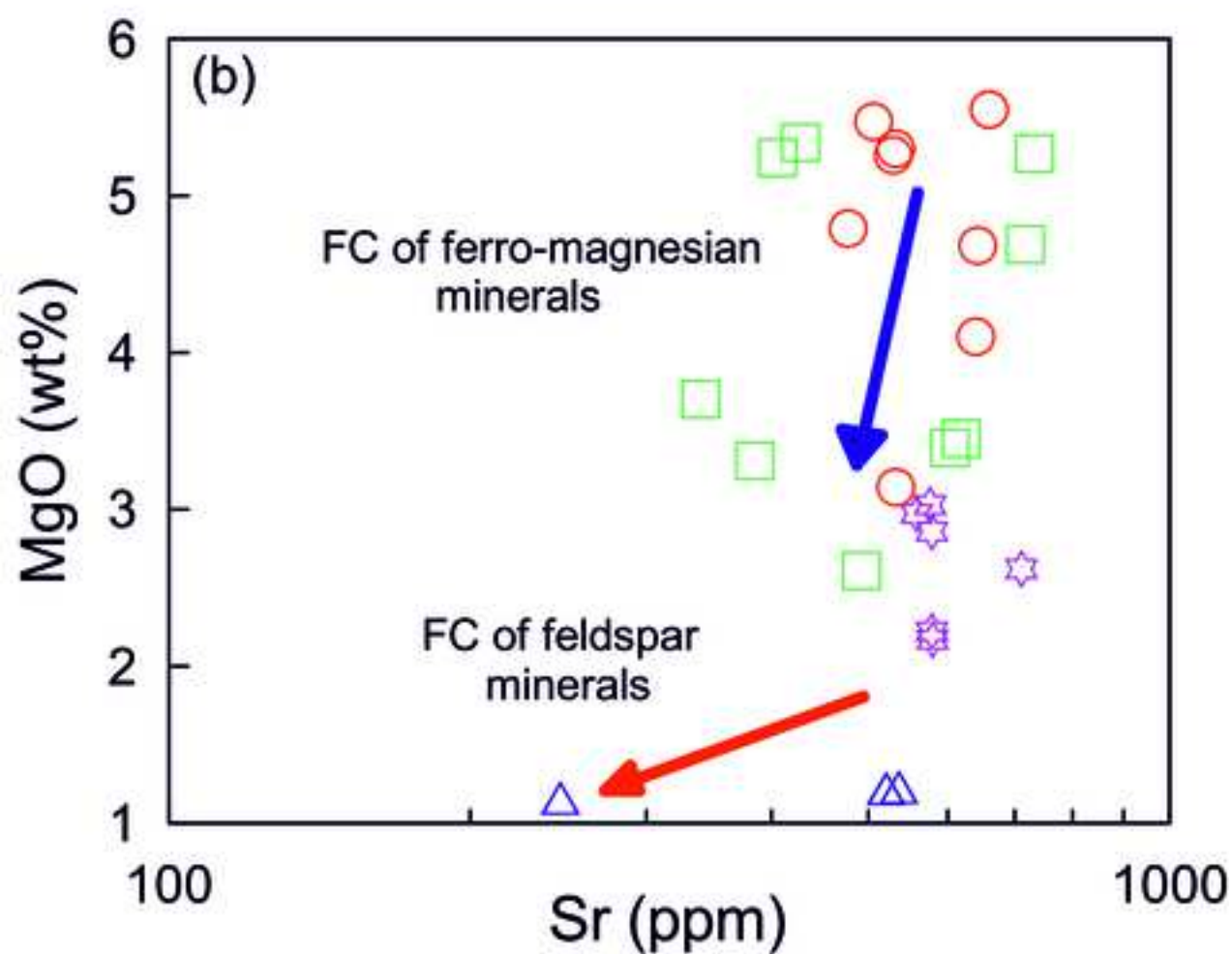
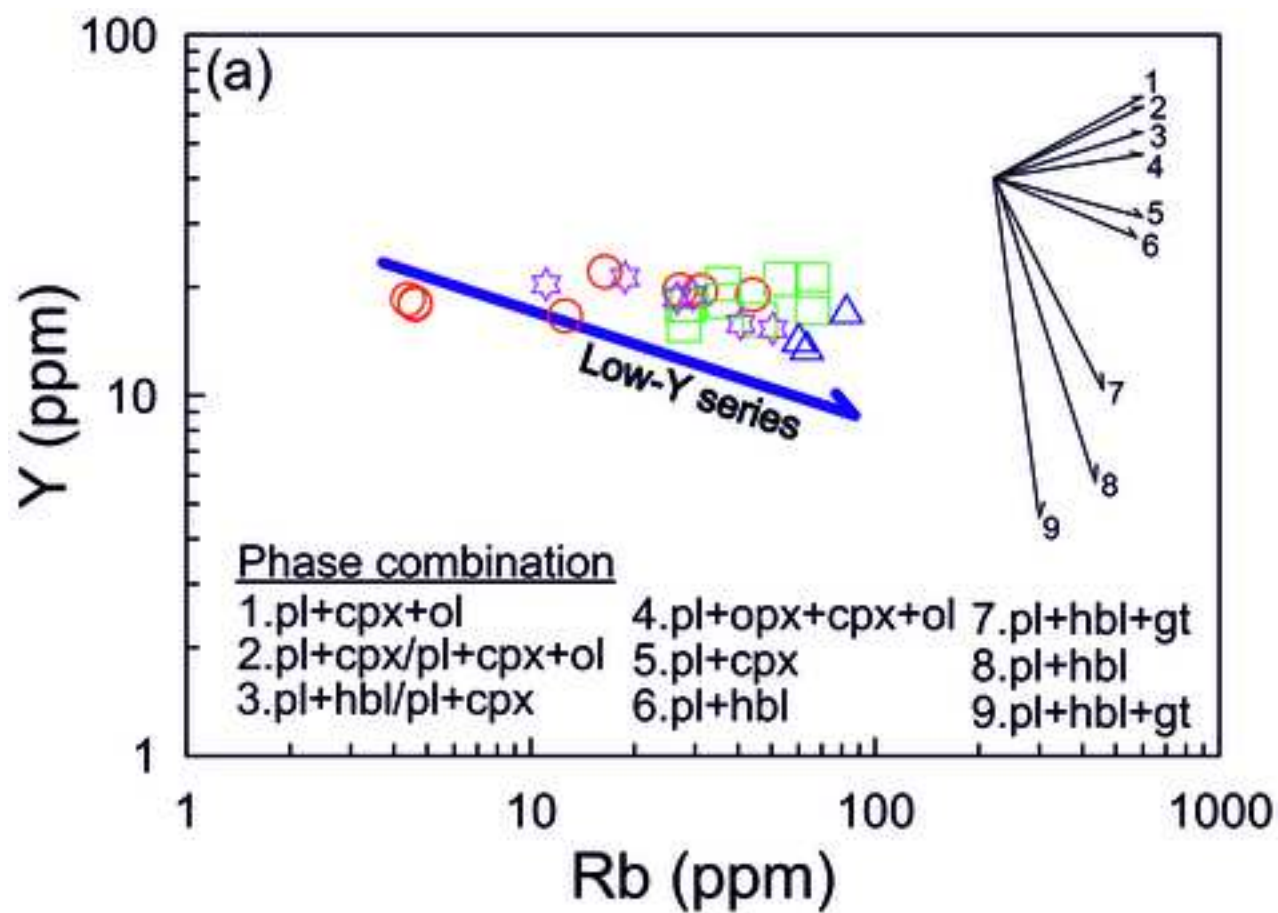


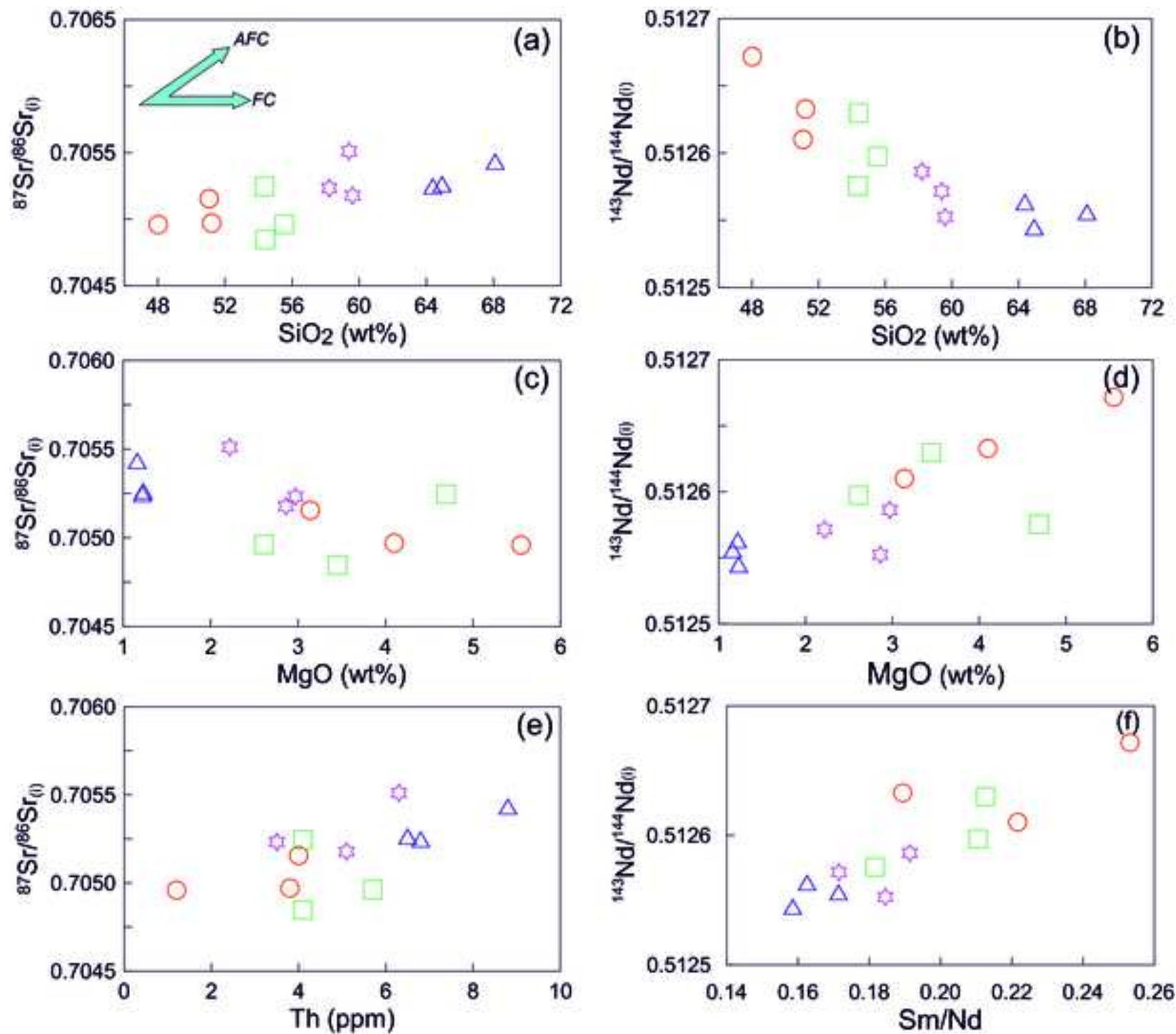


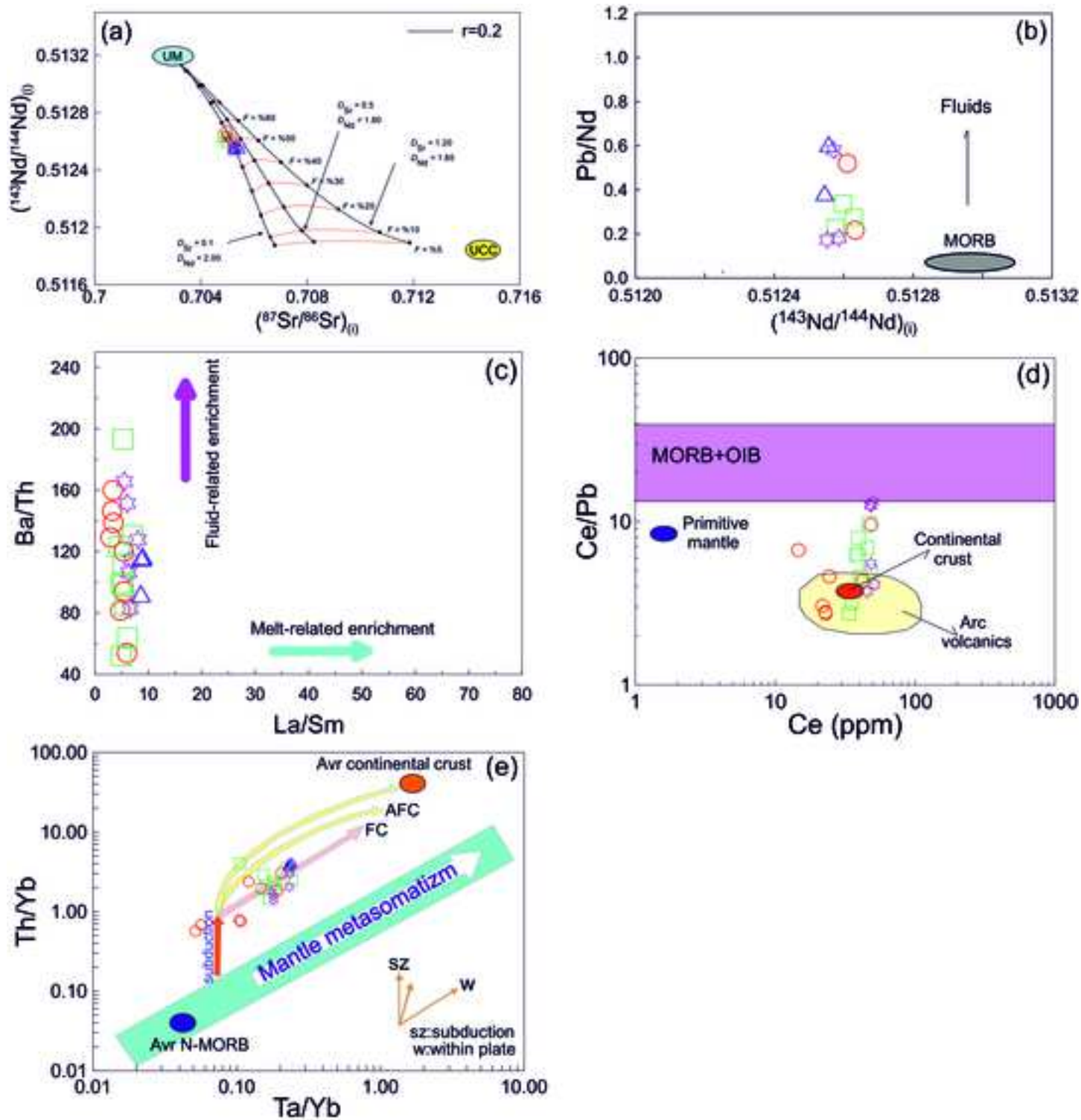












Tables and Captions

Table 1 ^{40}Ar - ^{39}Ar dating results and locations of three samples for Bayburt volcanic rocks

Sample number	Material	Locality	Rock name	Plateau age (Ma)	$\pm \sigma$	Method
M-36	groundmass	Güvenli hill	basalt	44.6	0.1	$^{40}\text{Ar}/^{39}\text{Ar}$
K-2	groundmass	Yazyurdu hill	basaltic andesite	44.0	0.1	$^{40}\text{Ar}/^{39}\text{Ar}$
K-22	groundmass	Buğdaykabarı hill	dacite	43.5	0.1	$^{40}\text{Ar}/^{39}\text{Ar}$

Table 2 Major and trace elements compositions for Bayburt volcanic rocks

	Basalt								Basaltic andesite					
Sample	Y2	S82	S83	S84	Y7	S56	M36	M11	B117	B118	M26	M34	Y9	
Major oxides (wt%)														
SiO ₂	48.02	49.82	50.14	50.50	51.06	51.08	51.22	51.78	52.50	52.96	53.33	54.36	54.40	
TiO ₂	0.95	0.92	0.90	0.92	0.98	0.82	1.04	0.97	0.83	0.82	0.79	0.73	0.76	
Al ₂ O ₃	20.06	18.11	18.29	18.25	18.43	18.54	17.81	17.13	16.92	16.72	15.55	17.69	17.45	
Fe ₂ O _{3T}	10.59	10.51	10.39	10.17	8.76	8.88	9.06	9.60	9.40	9.19	9.72	7.93	8.47	
MnO	0.14	0.21	0.21	0.21	0.14	0.15	0.24	0.15	0.17	0.17	0.21	0.16	0.17	
MgO	5.55	5.47	5.30	5.26	3.14	4.79	4.10	4.68	5.24	5.34	5.27	4.69	3.45	
CaO	9.03	10.61	10.25	10.20	10.02	10.44	9.03	9.44	8.05	8.14	8.41	7.73	7.62	
Na ₂ O	2.87	3.00	3.22	3.22	2.34	2.53	3.29	3.25	3.21	3.19	3.07	2.76	3.34	
K ₂ O	0.30	0.27	0.31	0.30	1.18	0.54	1.45	1.64	1.48	1.50	2.00	1.49	1.58	
P ₂ O ₅	0.33	0.15	0.16	0.16	0.20	0.14	0.38	0.30	0.17	0.17	0.29	0.31	0.28	
LOI	2.10	0.70	0.50	0.50	3.50	1.80	2.10	0.70	1.80	1.50	1.00	1.90	2.20	
Total	99.94	99.77	99.67	99.69	99.75	99.71	99.72	99.64	99.77	99.70	99.64	99.75	99.72	
Trace elements (ppm)														
Co	20.50	28.90	27.60	26.20	23.10	21.80	20.10	27.90	28.40	27.40	30.40	20.30	17.60	
Ni	14.40	4.80	6.60	6.70	12.40	12.50	3.90	12.40	11.60	11.10	9.80	10.70	2.90	
V	314.00	292.00	302.00	301.00	257.00	264.00	226.00	260.00	235.00	234.00	260.00	165.00	160.00	
Cu	183.30	49.70	45.30	45.10	78.00	458.20	35.20	51.90	76.10	72.30	30.40	33.70	52.30	
Pb	2.20	7.20	8.40	8.20	8.90	5.30	5.10	9.70	12.30	11.10	8.90	4.80	5.00	
Zn	41.00	22.00	31.00	30.00	61.00	12.00	26.00	44.00	43.00	37.00	17.00	46.00	50.00	
W	0.90	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.70	1.40	0.50	0.70	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	
Rb	16.40	4.40	4.60	4.60	31.20	12.60	27.10	44.10	28.60	27.60	46.20	27.90	36.30	
Ba	155.00	176.00	208.00	205.00	326.00	210.00	456.00	565.00	378.00	395.00	444.00	536.00	461.00	
Sr	660.20	506.20	532.90	529.10	532.90	477.10	640.30	643.20	405.60	427.50	732.00	717.50	618.90	
Ta	0.10	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.30	0.20	0.40	0.40	0.30	0.20	0.30	0.40	0.40	
Nb	2.80	3.50	3.50	3.60	5.70	3.20	8.20	8.20	4.70	5.30	4.50	8.60	6.80	
Hf	1.30	1.90	1.80	1.80	2.30	1.50	3.00	2.60	2.80	3.20	2.50	2.80	2.50	
Zr	47.00	70.00	66.40	65.70	90.50	57.70	113.10	99.20	98.90	110.60	90.60	114.80	104.40	
Y	22.00	18.50	18.10	17.90	19.50	16.60	19.60	19.00	17.80	17.90	16.20	15.70	18.30	
Th	1.20	1.10	1.50	1.40	4.00	3.90	3.80	6.00	3.80	7.60	3.60	4.10	4.10	
U	0.40	0.30	0.40	0.30	1.40	1.30	1.00	1.60	0.90	1.10	1.10	1.10	1.20	
Ga	17.90	15.80	15.90	15.10	17.90	16.50	18.40	16.60	14.70	15.00	14.10	16.60	16.70	
La	7.00	10.60	10.00	9.80	18.00	15.10	23.90	23.00	17.40	16.70	19.60	27.10	20.50	
Ce	14.70	21.90	23.00	22.90	33.80	24.40	48.50	42.30	33.70	35.20	41.00	46.90	39.40	
Pr	2.04	2.89	2.94	2.78	4.08	2.84	5.62	5.08	4.09	4.09	5.07	5.39	4.72	
Nd	9.40	12.40	11.60	12.00	17.10	11.50	23.50	20.50	17.10	15.90	21.90	21.20	18.20	
Sm	2.38	3.14	2.89	3.06	3.79	2.51	4.45	4.25	3.56	3.38	4.34	3.85	3.87	
Eu	0.86	0.95	1.01	1.00	1.14	0.85	1.45	1.21	1.01	1.00	1.33	1.14	1.26	
Gd	2.86	3.30	3.34	3.35	3.79	2.79	4.49	4.12	3.59	3.61	4.17	3.49	3.74	
Tb	0.48	0.55	0.53	0.54	0.58	0.46	0.66	0.61	0.58	0.56	0.58	0.53	0.59	
Dy	2.94	3.38	3.48	3.47	3.40	2.70	3.72	3.56	3.29	3.25	3.24	2.85	3.41	
Ho	0.63	0.72	0.64	0.68	0.73	0.60	0.76	0.74	0.70	0.62	0.61	0.61	0.71	
Er	1.94	2.09	1.99	1.99	2.09	1.71	2.21	2.13	2.15	1.92	1.62	1.79	2.09	
Tm	0.27	0.30	0.30	0.28	0.30	0.26	0.29	0.30	0.28	0.31	0.25	0.24	0.30	
Yb	1.77	1.94	1.92	1.87	2.03	1.65	2.07	1.96	2.02	1.90	1.63	1.65	2.14	
Lu	0.28	0.30	0.28	0.28	0.32	0.26	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.32	0.24	0.24	0.33	
(Eu/Eu*) _n	1.01	0.90	0.99	0.95	0.91	0.98	0.98	0.87	0.86	0.87	0.94	0.93	1.00	
(La/Lu) _n	2.59	3.66	3.70	3.62	5.82	6.01	8.25	7.94	6.01	5.40	8.46	11.69	6.43	
(La/Sm) _n	1.85	2.12	2.18	2.02	2.99	3.79	3.38	3.41	3.08	3.11	2.84	4.43	3.33	
(Gd/Lu) _n	1.27	1.37	1.48	1.49	1.47	1.33	1.86	1.71	1.49	1.40	2.16	1.81	1.41	
(La/Yb) _n	2.67	3.69	3.52	3.54	5.99	6.18	7.80	7.93	5.82	5.94	8.13	11.10	6.47	
Mg#	53.57	53.40	52.90	53.24	44.11	54.29	49.91	51.77	55.10	56.13	54.41	56.56	47.28	
Ce/Pb	6.68	3.04	2.74	2.79	3.80	4.60	9.51	4.36	2.74	3.17	4.61	9.77	7.88	
Nb/La	0.40	0.33	0.35	0.37	0.32	0.21	0.34	0.36	0.27	0.32	0.23	0.32	0.33	
Ba/La	22.14	16.60	20.80	20.92	18.11	13.91	19.08	24.57	21.72	23.65	22.65	19.78	22.49	
Dy/Yb	1.66	1.74	1.81	1.86	1.67	1.64	1.80	1.82	1.63	1.71	1.99	1.73	1.59	
Pb/Ce	0.15	0.33	0.37	0.36	0.26	0.22	0.11	0.23	0.36	0.32	0.22	0.10	0.13	
Th/Ce	0.08	0.05	0.07	0.06	0.12	0.16	0.08	0.14	0.11	0.22	0.09	0.09	0.10	

Table 2'continued

	Basaltic andesite				Andesite				Dacite				
Sample	Y6	B119	B109	K2	B113	B114	B112	Y29	Y22	B121	Y35	Y39	K22
<i>Major oxides (wt%)</i>													
SiO ₂	55.54	56.63	56.82	57.00	58.21	58.67	58.75	59.39	59.59	60.07	64.38	64.93	68.10
TiO ₂	0.75	0.65	0.79	0.76	0.70	0.71	0.67	0.55	0.56	0.64	0.34	0.33	0.40
Al ₂ O ₃	19.35	17.51	16.36	16.53	16.84	16.53	17.44	17.14	17.23	17.63	16.22	16.16	14.48
Fe ₂ O _{3T}	6.90	7.44	7.61	6.84	6.94	6.97	6.35	6.19	6.16	5.67	3.81	3.71	3.52
MnO	0.12	0.17	0.13	0.10	0.14	0.14	0.13	0.11	0.16	0.12	0.14	0.14	0.06
MgO	2.61	3.39	3.70	3.31	2.97	3.03	2.62	2.22	2.86	2.17	1.22	1.23	1.16
CaO	7.50	7.40	6.32	6.86	5.15	5.25	6.39	5.04	6.39	6.43	4.05	3.99	2.22
Na ₂ O	2.62	2.73	3.45	3.20	4.19	4.17	3.99	4.04	3.78	3.79	3.83	3.93	3.71
K ₂ O	2.44	1.81	2.08	2.50	1.60	1.50	1.70	1.96	1.38	1.96	2.54	2.47	3.92
P ₂ O ₅	0.21	0.26	0.15	0.20	0.22	0.22	0.18	0.26	0.27	0.19	0.21	0.21	0.10
LOI	1.70	1.70	2.30	2.50	2.80	2.50	1.50	2.90	1.40	1.10	3.10	2.70	2.10
Total	99.74	99.69	99.71	99.80	99.76	99.69	99.72	99.80	99.78	99.77	99.84	99.80	99.77
<i>Trace elements (ppm)</i>													
Co	15.60	15.40	19.80	16.90	13.80	13.20	13.00	10.80	13.70	10.20	4.50	3.90	5.60
Ni	4.30	7.10	7.20	9.20	3.50	3.60	3.80	7.20	5.40	2.60	0.70	0.40	1.80
V	156.00	143.00	185.00	163.00	140.00	150.00	145.00	87.00	111.00	117.00	40.00	40.00	50.00
Cu	72.10	42.20	63.40	39.60	25.60	24.00	46.30	32.60	30.90	29.20	3.50	2.50	9.40
Pb	6.10	9.60	6.30	6.60	3.80	3.90	12.20	12.40	3.80	8.80	9.30	8.40	12.10
Zn	37.00	44.00	49.00	33.00	32.00	36.00	48.00	56.00	45.00	48.00	63.00	60.00	23.00
W	0.90	0.50	0.50	1.10	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.70	0.70	0.50	5.30	0.80	0.50
Rb	65.80	36.10	53.20	65.90	29.50	26.60	11.10	50.60	40.80	18.80	60.10	63.40	82.50
Ba	484.00	657.00	518.00	511.00	530.00	514.00	364.00	805.00	583.00	425.00	796.00	753.00	816.00
Sr	492.20	603.10	339.80	385.20	559.00	576.30	711.70	578.90	578.60	579.60	521.20	536.80	246.10
Ta	0.30	0.40	0.40	0.50	0.40	0.40	0.50	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.50
Nb	6.30	6.50	6.50	8.50	8.00	7.80	7.90	8.50	7.80	8.70	8.20	8.70	9.00
Hf	2.40	3.10	3.50	3.80	3.50	3.40	3.60	3.40	3.10	3.90	3.10	3.30	4.90
Zr	93.60	125.50	132.30	147.90	141.00	131.70	139.00	150.00	132.20	150.80	130.00	131.70	188.70
Y	17.50	20.40	21.00	20.90	19.00	18.60	20.30	15.30	15.80	21.20	14.50	13.80	17.40
Th	5.70	3.40	5.30	8.00	3.50	3.10	4.40	6.30	5.10	4.00	6.80	6.50	8.80
U	1.60	1.00	1.80	2.70	0.80	1.00	1.10	1.60	1.50	1.00	1.70	1.50	2.20
Ga	16.90	14.40	15.00	13.80	13.30	12.70	14.50	15.90	16.60	15.10	15.00	14.70	13.00
La	21.40	21.90	20.20	25.30	24.20	23.10	23.10	29.70	27.80	25.20	30.60	29.90	29.40
Ce	38.10	47.90	39.50	45.50	47.60	48.70	45.40	51.20	50.20	48.40	54.10	53.30	52.50
Pr	4.52	5.36	4.71	5.33	5.51	5.38	5.27	5.65	5.57	5.42	5.73	5.78	5.57
Nd	18.10	21.00	18.60	19.80	20.90	21.60	20.20	21.40	22.00	21.10	21.10	21.70	19.90
Sm	3.81	4.13	3.80	4.15	4.00	4.18	3.48	3.67	4.06	3.97	3.43	3.44	3.41
Eu	1.09	1.24	0.99	1.07	1.06	1.11	1.08	1.15	1.12	1.09	1.03	0.98	0.77
Gd	3.61	4.02	3.93	4.21	3.90	3.85	3.63	3.19	3.41	3.79	3.07	3.11	3.11
Tb	0.53	0.60	0.62	0.63	0.60	0.60	0.57	0.49	0.51	0.55	0.43	0.43	0.48
Dy	3.23	3.55	3.68	3.64	3.42	3.75	3.77	2.86	3.05	3.51	2.43	2.60	2.84
Ho	0.68	0.74	0.78	0.81	0.77	0.75	0.70	0.58	0.61	0.72	0.49	0.49	0.63
Er	1.96	2.18	2.53	2.36	2.36	2.16	2.17	1.69	1.82	2.25	1.61	1.49	1.95
Tm	0.29	0.33	0.33	0.34	0.34	0.32	0.33	0.25	0.28	0.35	0.24	0.25	0.30
Yb	1.95	2.38	2.24	2.27	2.22	2.22	2.15	1.68	1.71	2.27	1.65	1.75	2.16
Lu	0.28	0.35	0.36	0.37	0.34	0.33	0.35	0.25	0.29	0.36	0.28	0.27	0.34
(Eu/Eu*) _n	0.89	0.92	0.78	0.78	0.81	0.83	0.92	1.00	0.90	0.85	0.95	0.90	0.71
(La/Lu) _n	7.91	6.48	5.81	7.08	7.37	7.25	6.83	12.30	9.93	7.25	11.32	11.47	8.95
(La/Sm) _n	3.54	3.34	3.35	3.84	3.81	3.48	4.18	5.09	4.31	4.00	5.62	5.47	5.43
(Gd/Lu) _n	1.60	1.43	1.36	1.41	1.42	1.45	1.29	1.58	1.46	1.31	1.36	1.43	1.14
(La/Yb) _n	7.42	6.22	6.09	7.53	7.37	7.03	7.26	11.95	10.99	7.50	12.53	11.55	9.20
Mg#	45.44	50.08	51.70	51.58	48.51	48.90	47.60	44.12	50.55	45.73	41.35	42.19	42.05
Ce/Pb	6.25	4.99	6.27	6.89	12.53	12.49	3.72	4.13	13.21	5.50	5.82	6.35	4.34
Nb/La	0.29	0.30	0.32	0.34	0.33	0.34	0.34	0.29	0.28	0.35	0.27	0.29	0.31
Ba/La	22.62	30.00	25.64	20.20	21.90	22.25	15.76	27.10	20.97	16.87	26.01	25.18	27.76
Dy/Yb	1.66	1.49	1.64	1.60	1.54	1.69	1.75	1.70	1.78	1.55	1.47	1.49	1.31
Pb/Ce	0.16	0.20	0.16	0.15	0.08	0.08	0.27	0.24	0.08	0.18	0.17	0.16	0.23
Th/Ce	0.15	0.07	0.13	0.18	0.07	0.06	0.10	0.12	0.10	0.08	0.13	0.12	0.17

Fe₂O_{3T} is total iron as Fe₂O₃, LOI is loss on ignition, Mg# (Mg number) = molar 100×MgO/(MgO + Fe₂O_{3T}), Eu* = (Sm + Gd)_n/2

Table 3 Sr-Nd isotope compositions for Bayburt volcanic rocks

Sample	Rb (ppm)	Sr (ppm)	⁸⁷ Rb/ ⁸⁶ Sr	⁸⁷ Sr/ ⁸⁶ Sr	(2σ)	⁸⁷ Sr/ ⁸⁶ Sr _(i)	Sm (ppm)	Nd (ppm)	¹⁴⁷ Sm/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	¹⁴³ / ¹⁴⁴ Nd	(2σ)	¹⁴³ Nd/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd _(i)	εNd _(i) ^a	T _{DM} ^b	T _{DM} ^c
<u>Basalt</u>															
Y2	16.40	660.20	0.0720	0.705004	10	0.704959	2.38	9.40	0.153069	0.512716	5	0.512672	1.76	1.01	0.71
Y7	31.20	532.90	0.1698	0.705261	10	0.705154	3.79	17.10	0.133993	0.512649	4	0.512610	0.56	0.90	0.81
M36	27.10	640.30	0.1227	0.705047	9	0.704971	4.45	23.50	0.114481	0.512666	5	0.512633	1.00	0.71	0.77
<u>Basaltic andesite</u>															
M34	27.90	717.50	0.1128	0.705316	9	0.705245	3.85	21.20	0.109790	0.512607	5	0.512575	-0.11	0.76	0.86
Y9	36.30	618.90	0.1701	0.704953	11	0.704847	3.87	18.20	0.128552	0.512667	5	0.512630	0.94	0.82	0.78
Y6	65.80	492.20	0.3877	0.705205	10	0.704963	3.81	18.10	0.127258	0.512634	4	0.512597	0.31	0.86	0.83
<u>Andesite</u>															
B113	29.50	559.00	0.1530	0.705328	9	0.705233	4.00	20.90	0.115705	0.512620	5	0.512586	0.10	0.78	0.85
Y29	50.60	578.90	0.2535	0.705669	10	0.705511	3.67	21.40	0.103679	0.512601	5	0.512572	-0.19	0.73	0.87
Y22	40.80	578.60	0.2045	0.705305	10	0.705177	4.06	22.00	0.111569	0.512584	5	0.512552	-0.57	0.80	0.90
<u>Dacite</u>															
Y35	60.10	521.20	0.3344	0.705457	10	0.705248	3.43	21.10	0.098277	0.512592	5	0.512564	-0.35	0.71	0.88
Y39	63.40	536.80	0.3425	0.705478	10	0.705264	3.44	21.70	0.095838	0.512573	5	0.512545	-0.71	0.72	0.91
K22	82.50	246.10	0.9722	0.706042	10	0.705434	3.41	19.90	0.103595	0.512586	5	0.512556	-0.49	0.75	0.90

^a εNd_(i) values are calculated based on present-day ¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd=0.1967 and ¹⁴³Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd=0.512638

^b Single stage model age (T_{DM}^b) calculated with depleted mantle present-day parameters ¹⁴³Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd=0.513151 and ¹⁴⁷Sm/¹⁴⁴Nd=0.219

^c Two-stage model age (T_{DM}^c) according to Liew and Hofman (1988)

The Initial ¹⁴³Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd and ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr ratios were calculated based on the ⁴⁰Ar–³⁹Ar ages reported in Table 1

Supplementary Tables

Table S1 ^{40}Ar - ^{39}Ar dating results for Bayburt volcanic rocks

Step / Sample	^{40}Ar	Error ^{40}Ar	^{39}Ar	Error ^{39}Ar	^{38}Ar	Error ^{38}Ar	^{37}Ar	Error ^{37}Ar	^{36}Ar	Error ^{36}Ar	$^{40}\text{Ar}^*/^{39}\text{Ar}_K$	Error $^{40}\text{Ar}^*/^{39}\text{Ar}_K$	Apparent age (Ma)	Error Age (Ma)	Delay to irradiation (day)
M36															
1	2030.403	5.886	11.426	0.042	0.0000010	0.0064	2.079	0.017	6.939	0.048	3.510	1.611	25.46	11.60	129.65
2	881.187	6.138	13.221	0.058	0.0000010	0.0074	2.046	0.028	3.017	0.030	1.299	0.879	9.46	6.39	129.67
3	1051.965	6.103	26.718	0.247	0.0000010	0.0102	4.484	0.025	3.278	0.020	4.377	0.371	31.69	2.66	129.69
4	2889.516	2.059	83.278	0.056	0.0000010	0.0110	17.527	0.110	8.580	0.039	5.414	0.213	39.12	1.53	129.71
5	706.199	4.839	34.045	0.321	0.0049210	0.0061	6.567	0.041	1.805	0.023	5.805	0.266	41.91	1.90	129.74
6	2196.906	5.599	100.862	0.322	0.0033680	0.0099	22.049	0.179	5.537	0.062	6.346	0.210	45.77	1.51	129.76
7	603.659	2.648	43.366	0.211	0.0095050	0.0094	12.975	0.114	1.203	0.008	6.388	0.102	46.07	0.75	129.85
8	2343.211	6.501	168.348	0.540	0.0000010	0.0094	36.213	0.171	4.746	0.043	6.149	0.100	44.36	0.74	129.87
9	1482.264	4.540	143.219	0.393	0.0077470	0.0071	21.077	0.059	2.261	0.017	6.055	0.059	43.70	0.46	129.89
10	3030.587	6.597	321.735	1.520	0.0000010	0.0054	33.432	0.062	3.847	0.015	6.171	0.046	44.52	0.38	129.92
11	4648.137	3.449	523.792	0.689	0.0000010	0.0117	44.500	0.148	5.154	0.037	6.209	0.033	44.80	0.30	129.96
12	3924.866	4.590	410.088	0.364	0.0000010	0.0104	38.320	0.145	5.071	0.044	6.191	0.043	44.67	0.36	129.98
13	6025.583	2.051	565.058	0.299	0.0000010	0.0149	95.344	0.153	9.304	0.058	6.203	0.044	44.75	0.37	130.00
Fusion	2957.472	0.792	206.176	0.109	0.0000010	0.0108	147.213	0.304	6.508	0.021	6.249	0.061	45.08	0.47	130.04
K-2															
1	10460.122	12.052	83.333	0.304	0.0092800	0.0127	3.946	0.018	34.496	0.062	6.734	0.690	48.71	4.93	130.67
2	3350.155	27.254	79.059	0.183	0.0000010	0.0116	2.972	0.010	10.187	0.053	5.458	0.448	39.59	3.22	130.68
3	5369.345	10.428	277.963	0.538	0.0000010	0.0136	10.047	0.036	13.046	0.047	5.932	0.101	42.99	0.75	130.70
4	10039.744	8.584	676.698	1.278	0.0000010	0.0086	16.395	0.015	20.740	0.078	6.116	0.066	44.30	0.51	130.74
5	5164.137	2.877	521.205	0.287	0.0000010	0.0114	12.007	0.066	7.102	0.059	6.076	0.044	44.01	0.36	130.76
6	3546.499	1.944	446.407	0.199	0.0000010	0.0081	11.036	0.035	2.977	0.043	6.113	0.034	44.28	0.30	130.78
7	6607.987	6.834	636.049	0.539	0.0000010	0.0054	18.708	0.072	9.778	0.024	6.063	0.035	43.92	0.31	130.80
8	4472.112	2.230	451.542	0.277	0.0000010	0.0094	18.735	0.055	6.206	0.020	6.062	0.032	43.91	0.29	130.84
9	2622.349	7.775	362.682	0.619	0.0000010	0.0111	16.240	0.089	1.653	0.031	6.030	0.037	43.69	0.32	130.87
10	2473.340	10.229	322.387	0.396	0.0018670	0.0100	15.000	0.080	1.950	0.014	6.047	0.039	43.80	0.33	130.89
11	6613.922	2.012	813.253	0.307	0.0000010	0.0104	39.010	0.074	6.105	0.109	6.091	0.044	44.12	0.36	130.91
12	5779.997	2.362	856.311	0.590	0.0000010	0.0109	50.769	0.135	2.361	0.092	6.087	0.034	44.09	0.30	130.95
13	2848.018	0.911	402.828	0.312	0.0000010	0.0091	69.587	0.169	1.801	0.025	6.063	0.023	43.92	0.25	130.97
Fusion	1906.303	0.971	220.643	0.181	0.0000010	0.0089	278.297	0.393	3.272	0.026	6.083	0.043	44.06	0.36	130.99
K-22															
1	6403.636	11.672	124.412	0.135	0.0014840	0.0146	1.537	0.023	20.404	0.101	4.416	0.360	32.16	2.60	133.67
2	3600.474	4.133	304.375	0.426	0.0000010	0.0168	2.200	0.059	6.723	0.074	5.541	0.083	40.26	0.62	133.68
3	10727.783	14.037	1351.797	1.633	0.0000010	0.0130	6.311	0.030	8.944	0.052	6.093	0.025	44.22	0.26	133.70

4	8349.706	5.804	1226.863	0.936	0.0000010	0.0120	4.757	0.054	2.912	0.028	6.182	0.015	44.86	0.21	133.73
5	5358.799	2.870	823.127	0.609	0.0000010	0.0092	3.214	0.033	1.178	0.021	6.157	0.014	44.68	0.21	133.77
6	2696.424	16.509	426.616	1.890	0.0000010	0.0118	1.681	0.033	0.465	0.012	6.064	0.049	44.01	0.40	133.79
7	4075.756	8.328	642.395	1.553	0.0000010	0.0119	2.969	0.019	0.877	0.013	6.010	0.023	43.62	0.24	133.82
8	1989.140	7.010	314.668	1.043	0.0000010	0.0121	1.557	0.023	0.413	0.018	6.002	0.035	43.57	0.31	133.86
9	1848.695	3.812	289.605	0.833	0.0000010	0.0151	1.684	0.033	0.458	0.012	5.988	0.027	43.47	0.26	133.88
10	1844.046	12.395	281.148	0.872	0.0000010	0.0148	2.109	0.040	0.657	0.014	5.948	0.051	43.18	0.41	133.90
11	2753.741	1.347	398.477	0.223	0.0000010	0.0141	4.940	0.031	1.382	0.024	5.982	0.023	43.43	0.24	133.95
12	5518.200	3.830	736.469	0.564	0.0000010	0.0105	7.535	0.043	4.012	0.016	5.993	0.019	43.50	0.22	133.98
13	6717.569	2.406	849.114	0.338	0.0000010	0.0095	13.005	0.065	5.846	0.029	6.005	0.021	43.59	0.24	134.00
14	5411.710	2.309	694.503	0.277	0.0000010	0.0097	9.466	0.022	4.358	0.023	6.060	0.020	43.98	0.23	134.02
Fusion	1537.283	0.676	172.713	0.173	0.0000010	0.0136	2.233	0.015	1.770	0.025	6.025	0.049	43.74	0.39	134.04

⁴⁰Ar_{atm}: atmospheric ⁴⁰Ar, ⁴⁰Ar*: radiogenic ⁴⁰Ar, Ca: produced by Ca-neutron interferences, K: produced by K-neutron interferences, Age (Ma): the date is calculated using the decay constants recommended by Steiger and Jäger (1977). The errors are at the 1σ level and do not include the error in the value of the J parameter.

Table S2 ($^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$)_(i) and ($^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$)_(i) compositions assumed for the end-member components in the assimilation-fractional crystallizations calculation

End member	IC ₀ (Parental magma)	IC _A (Upper continental crust)	Total Partition coefficient (ΣD)			
			D1	D2	D3	
Sr (ppm)	188	350	Sr	1.20	0.50	1.20
Nd (ppm)	9.62	26	Nd	1.85	1.80	1.85
⁸⁷ Sr/ ⁸⁶ Sr	0.7029	0.71463	For all continental crust modelling			
¹⁴³ Nd/ ¹⁴⁴ Nd	0.51319	0.511843				
	Klein (2004)	Taylor and McLennan (1985)				