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Intraplate volcanism that has created the Hawaiian-Emperor seamount chain is generally thought to be formed by a deep-seated mantle plume. While the idea of a Hawaiian plume has not met with substantial opposition, whether or not the Hawaiian plume shows any geochemical signal of receiving materials from the Earth's Outer Core and how the plume may or may not be reacting with the overriding lithosphere remain debatable issues. In an effort to understand how the Hawaiian plume works I report on the first in-situ sulfides and bulk rock Platinum Group Element (PGE) concentrations, together with Os isotope ratios on well-characterized garnet pyroxenite xenoliths from the island of Oahu in Hawaii.

The sulfides are Fe-Ni Monosulfide Solid Solution and show fractionated PGE patterns. Based on the major elements, Platinum Group Elements and experimental data I interpret the Hawaiian sulfides as an immiscible melt that separated from a melt similar to the Honolulu Volcanics (HV) alkali lavas at a pressure-temperature condition of $1530 \pm 100^{\circ}\text{C}$ and $3.1 \pm 0.6 \text{ GPa}$., i.e. near the base or slightly below the Pacific lithosphere.

The $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratios of the bulk rock vary from subchondritic to suprachondritic (0.123-0.164); and the $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratio strongly correlates with major element, High Field Strength Element (HFSE), Rare Earth Element (REE) and PGE abundances. These correlations strongly suggest that PGE concentrations and Os isotope ratios reflect primary mantle processes. I interpret these correlations as the result of melt-mantle reaction at the base of the lithosphere: I suggest that the parental melt that crystallized the pyroxenites selectively picked up radiogenic Os from the grain boundary sulfides, while percolating through the Pacific lithosphere. Thus the sampled pyroxenites essentially represent crystallized melts from different stages of this melt-mantle reaction process at the base of the lithosphere.

I further show that the relatively low Pt/Re ratios of the Hawaiian sulfides and the bulk rock pyroxenites suggest that, upon ageing, such pyroxenites plus their sulfides cannot generate the coupled ^{186}Os - ^{187}Os isotope enrichments observed in Hawaiian lavas. Therefore, recycling of mantle sulfides of pyroxenitic parentage is unlikely to explain the enriched Pt-Re-Os isotope systematics of plume-derived lavas.

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CHAPTER 1

PREFACE

This dissertation consists of 6 chapters. Chapter 2 provides a general geological background of Hawaiian volcanism and its associated mantle xenoliths. It presents some of the outstanding problems in Hawaiian volcanism and mantle dynamics and how the present study attempts to resolve some of these issues. Chapter 3 details the analytical protocols, the various instruments that were used and analytical uncertainty. The samples used for the dissertation belong to the Dean Presnall Collection housed at Earth and Environment Department at Florida International University, and quantitative analysis was performed using the facilities at Florida Center of Analytical Electron Microscopy (Florida International University), National High Magnetic Field Laboratory (Florida State University) and Mass Spectroscopy facility at University of South Carolina. Chapter 4 has been published in *Chemical Geology* (I. S. Sen et al. *Chemical Geology* 273 (2010) pp.180-192) and chapter 5 is currently under review at *Earth and Planetary Science Letters*. The last chapter (chapter 6) gives the reader a synopsis about xenolithic sulfides and Os isotopes in the upper mantle, and summarizes the significant observations and conclusions of the dissertation. The dissertation work has resulted in 1 peer-reviewed publication, 1 article for consideration, 4 presentations in international conferences and also a research report submitted to National High Magnetic Field Laboratory.

CHAPTER 2

INTRODUCTION

Global volcanism is mostly limited to mid-ocean ridges, where plates are being created, and at convergent plate boundaries, where oceanic plates subduct back into the mantle. There is a third category of volcanism that occurs within individual plates and is sometime referred to as “intraplate volcanism”. Intraplate volcanism is generally thought to be caused by an anomalous hot spot or plume, rooted deep into the mantle. Such a plume rises and melts to generate the magmas that erupt through large volcanoes, such as Mauna Loa and Kilauea (Hawaii). Understanding the chemical and physical processes associated with plume volcanism is fundamental to our knowledge of planetary evolutionary processes, such as mass and heat transfer from the mantle to the surface and elemental recycling.

The Hawaiian volcanic chain occurs in the middle of the Pacific plate and has produced some of the largest volcanoes on earth, is considered a classic example of deep seated plume volcanism (Wilson, 1963; Morgan, 1971; Li et al., 2000; Wolfe et al., 2009). While the idea of a Hawaiian plume has not met with substantial opposition, specific details about the chemical and thermal nature of the plume, whether or how much materials the plume may be receiving from the Outer Core, the presence of recycled (previously subducted) lithosphere in the plume, and how the plume may or may not be reacting with the overriding lithosphere remain debatable issues. During my Ph.D. tenure I have addressed the two most significant issues connected with the Hawaiian plume: (1) Is there any chemical exchange between the Earth’s Core and the Hawaiian plume Mantle? Hawaiian shield stage lavas were found to be anomalously enriched in

$^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ and $^{186}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ (^{187}Re decays to ^{187}Os while ^{190}Pt decays to ^{186}Os ; ^{188}Os is unradiogenic) ratios relative to what would be expected from any source in the mantle or crust (Brandon et al., 1998; Brandon et al., 1999). As the outer core is thought to be enriched $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ and $^{186}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratios, it was suggested that the coupled enrichment of ^{186}Os - ^{187}Os isotopes is a result of Core-Mantle exchange, and that is an important evidence in favor of the origin of the Hawaiian plume from the Core Mantle Boundary (CMB) layer (Helmberger et al., 1998; Russell et al., 1998; Bijwaard and Spakman, 1999; Humayun et al., 2004; Montelli et al., 2004). However, a more recent study of pyroxenites including their sulfides disputes the role of the Outer Core and instead suggests that mantle sulfides have the potential to produce the coupled enrichment of ^{186}Os - ^{187}Os in oceanic basalts (Luguet et al., 2008). The implications of this debate on Earth's evolution and dynamics are significant. If the Core signal can be unambiguously identified in plume-derived lava then that will favor the whole mantle convection model (Hofmann, 1997). It will also favor relatively rapid mass and heat transfer from the deep mantle to the Earth's surface. On the other hand, if the Os isotopic enrichment can be explained without the enrichment by the Core, then 2 layered or other complex, perhaps less efficient models of mass and heat transfer would be favored (Hofmann, 1997 and references therein).

(2) Does the Hawaiian plume interact with the overriding Pacific lithosphere? In geophysical models of plume-Hawaiian lithosphere interaction, plume-related residues or magmatic cumulates replace the lower lithosphere (Bock, 1991a; Priestley and Tilmann, 1999; Laske et al., 2000; Li et al., 2000; Collins et al., 2002; Li et al., 2004; Constable and Heinson, 2005; Wolfe et al., 2009). If these geophysical models are valid, it is

reasonable to think that the base of the lithosphere is chemically altered (metasomatized) because of the reaction process between plume-derived magmas and the lithosphere. It is important to understand melt-rock reaction at the base of the lithosphere because recycling of such metasomatized portion of deep lithosphere can introduce geochemical heterogeneity in the mantle and can play important role in magma generation (Niu and O'Hara, 2003; Workman et al., 2004).

In order to answer these first-order questions geochemists have mostly relied on isotope and trace element information on Hawaiian lavas that erupted at different stages of Hawaiian volcanism. A typical Hawaiian volcano evolves through several stages of magmatism. The main magmatism occurs during the shield stage (95% of volcanism, picritic-tholeiitic type), followed by a postshield stage (alkalic type) activity. The volcano eventually stops erupting and following a ≤ 1.2 million year hiatus, post-erosional or rejuvenated stage volcanism (strongly alkaline mafic lavas) occurs (Figure 2.1). The rejuvenated stage lavas brought up mantle xenoliths (Jackson and Wright, 1970; Clague and Frey, 1982; Sen, 1987; Sen, 1988) , which are broken rock fragments from the mantle. Most mantle xenoliths have been reported from the Honolulu Volcanics series in Oahu. In this study, I rely on mantle-derived garnet pyroxenite xenoliths from the rejuvenated stage Honolulu Volcanics (HV) from Salt Lake Crater (SLC) at Oahu (Figure 2.2). The garnet pyroxenite xenoliths represent high-pressure cumulates (> 2 GPa) at the lithosphere-asthenosphere interface (Bizimis et al., 2005). As these rare xenoliths are direct physical samples of the Earth's Upper Mantle, they have a clear advantage over erupted lavas. Their chemical compositions give us a unique snapshot in obtaining the composition of Hawaiian mantle plume and understand the deep mantle processes. In the

quest to understand Hawaiian plume vis-à-vis deep mantle processes I characterized the garnet pyroxenites and their sulfides in terms of their major element, trace element, highly siderophile element (HSE) and Os isotope composition (Figure 2.3). I used electron microprobe (EPMA) and various mass spectrometers e.g. *in-situ* Laser Ablation ICP-MS, High Resolution Single Collector ICP-MS and Multi Collector ICP-MS (Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectrometry). Based on low Pt/Re ratios of the garnet pyroxenites and their sulfides, I propose that, upon “aging”, mantle derived pyroxenites and sulfides from Hawaii cannot generate the coupled ^{186}Os - ^{187}Os isotope enrichments observed in Hawaiian lavas. The obtained data strongly suggest that, recycling of mantle pyroxenites including their sulfides, cannot explain the enriched Pt-Re-Os isotope systematics of the plume-derived lavas. Instead, I concur that Os enrichment is related to substantial mass exchange between the Earth’s Core and plume. The data also show that melts from the Hawaiian plume preferentially reacted with the Pacific lithosphere. The statement is based on the variability of Osmium isotope and its relation with major-trace and highly siderophile element. As the melts from the Hawaiian plume percolate through the Pacific lithosphere they preferentially mobilize the grain boundary sulfides, and as a consequence Os gets decoupled from other elements. I propose that the sampled pyroxenites essentially represent crystallized melts from different stages of this reaction process at the base of the lithosphere (chapters 4 and 5).

The reader may note that chapters 4 and 5 are intentionally “modular” because they are published or being submitted as independent papers to leading Earth Science journals; however together they address two fundamental questions in global geodynamics:

- I) Is there any chemical exchange between the Core and the Hawaiian plume Mantle
(Chapter 4)
- II) Plume-lithosphere interaction at the base of the Pacific lithosphere (Chapter 5).

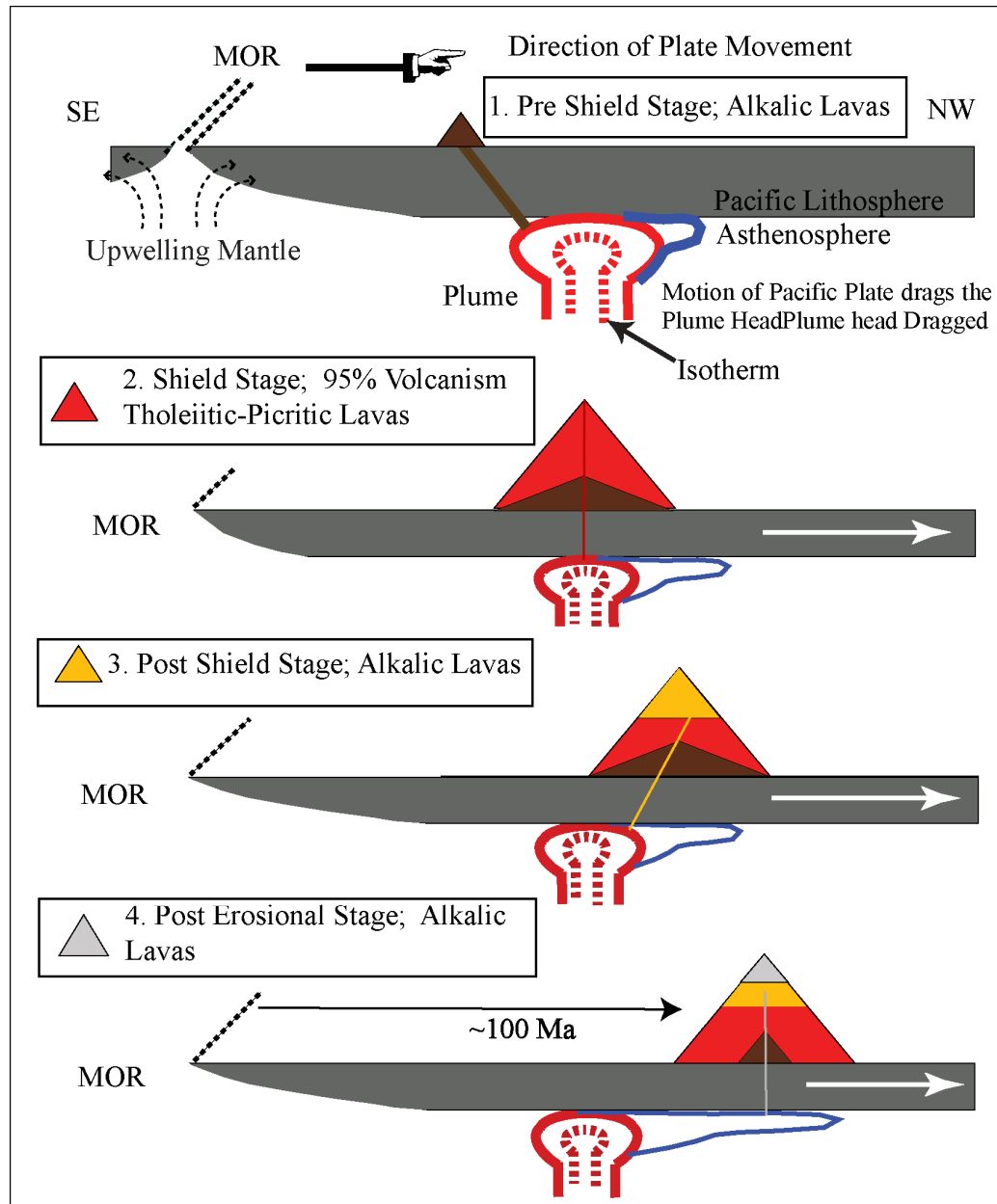


Figure 2.1 Schematic illustration (not to scale) showing different stages of Hawaiian magmatism. A Hawaiian volcano evolves through several stages of magmatism. It starts with a pre-shield stage. The main magmatism occurs during the shield stage, followed by a post-shield stage, followed by post erosional or rejuvenated stage. The Pacific Lithosphere beneath Oahu is ~ 100 Myr old. MOR – Mid Ocean Ridge

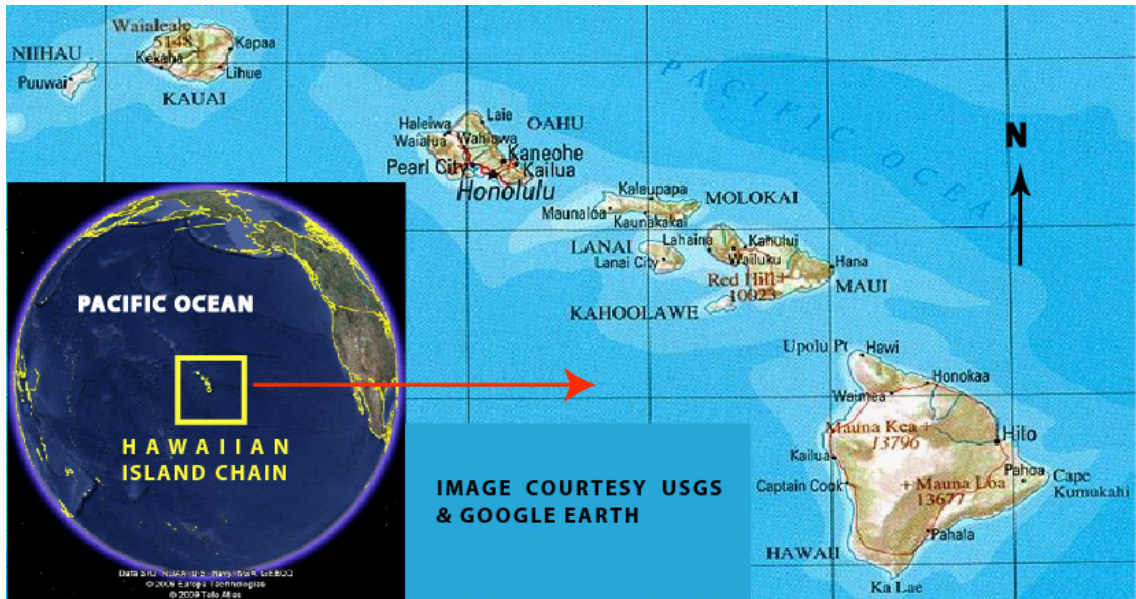


Figure 2.2 Location of the Hawaiian-Emperor Chain in the middle of the migrating Pacific plate. The eight main islands are Hawaii, Maui, Kahoolawe, Lanai, Molokai, Oahu, Kauai and Niihau. My samples are from the Salt Lake Crater vent (very close to the city of Honolulu) in the island of Oahu.

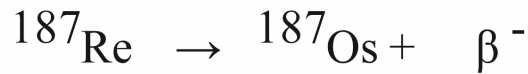
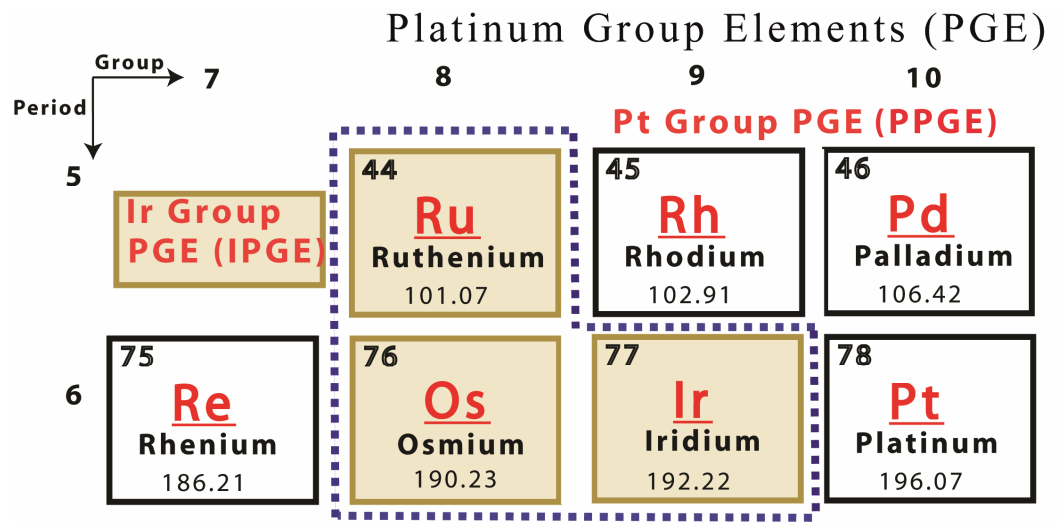


Figure 2.3 Highly Siderophile Element (HSE) consists of Platinum Group Element (Ru, Rh, Pd, Os, Ir and Pt) and Re. The elements inside the blue dotted lines i.e., Ru, Os and Ir are compatible during mantle melting while Rh, Pd, Pt and Re are incompatible in nature. ^{187}Re decays to ^{187}Os by the emission of negatively charged β particle while ^{190}Pt decays to ^{186}Os by the emission of α particle.

CHAPTER 3

RESEARCH METHODS

The xenoliths used for this study are from the Salt Lake Crater (Oahu, Hawaii) and they belong to the Dean Presnall Collection housed at the Department of Earth and Environment, Florida International University. The samples are small (3-5 cm in diameter), dark brown in color, and are primarily composed of clinopyroxene with variable percentages of garnet, olivine, orthopyroxene and trace amounts of amphibole, ilmenite, spinel, phlogopite, carbonate and sulfide minerals. Bulk rock aliquots were analyzed for trace element, highly siderophile element and Os isotope ratios using high resolution single collector ICP-MS and Multi Collector ICP-MS (Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectrometry), while the sulfide grains in polished thin (30 μm) and thick sections (2.54 cm) were analyzed for major and highly siderophile elements using electron microprobe (EPMA) and Laser Ablation ICP-MS. Polished thick sections were studied under polarized light microscope and the Scanning Electron Microscope (SEM) and petrographic images were taken with SEM. The analytical protocols and details about the instrumentation are presented in the following sections.

3.1 Electron Probe (EPMA) and Scanning Electron Microscopy (SEM) Analysis

The samples were first cut to 2.54 cm thick slabs for *in-situ* microprobe (EPMA) and laser ablation analysis (LA-ICPMS, section 3.2). Interior fragments of the xenoliths were then examined under a binocular microscope to ensure that they were free of obvious alteration products and melt infiltration. These samples were then polished using silicon carbide paper and alumina powders down to 0.3 μm . The polished slabs were first examined under reflected light microscope at magnification of up to 500X to identify

samples with large enough sulfides (>50micron) that would be suitable for LA-ICPMS work. Only samples with large sulfides were subsequently processed further. Prior to laser ablation, secondary and back-scattered electron images of the sulfide grains were taken using JEOL JSM 5900LV Scanning Electron Microscope (SEM) at Florida Center of Analytical Electron Microscopy (FCAEM)-Florida International University (FIU). The Scanning Electron Microscope images of the sulfide grains are shown in figure 4.1.

The major element chemistry of the sulfides were analyzed with an electron microprobe (JEOL Superprobe, JSM 8900R) equipped with five wavelength – dispersive spectrometers at FCAEM-FIU. The analyses were conducted with 20 KV accelerating voltage and 20 nA beam current. Acquisition time was 20 seconds for Fe, S and 30 seconds for Ni, Zn and Cu. A combination of sulfide and metal standards (source: National Institute of Standards & Technology) were used.

Whereas most of the sulfides were homogeneous, only sample number SL-590 revealed the presence of micron-scale heterogeneous structures with Ni-poor and Ni-rich domains (Figure 4.1d). Therefore broad beam (30 μm) microprobe analyses were performed in order to obtain a homogenized or “bulk” sulfide composition in the latter cases. The fine beam analyses naturally vary more than the broad beam analyses in these sulfides; however, because the heterogeneity is at a finer scale even the finest beam (1 μm) could not resolve good quality data of the “unmixed” phases. I note, however, that the averaged concentrations obtained by the broad beam and fine beam methods on the same sulfides agree within analytical error (Fig. A in Appendix). Because the thrust of this paper is on bulk sulfide grain compositions, I present broad beam (30 μm) analyses of the bulk major element compositions of the sulfides in all of the samples in Table 4.2

(chapter 4). The 1 μ m data are only given in the Appendix (Supplementary Table A1 and A2). For the rest of the dissertation only the broad beam analyses are considered.

3.2 Laser Ablation ICP-MS Analysis

The PGE and other trace elements in sulfides were analyzed *in situ* by Laser Ablation ICP-MS using a 213 nm Nd: YAG laser (NEW WAVE™) coupled to a FinniganMat ELEMENT-1-HR-ICP-MS at the Geochemistry Division, NHMFL – Florida State University. All measurements were performed on polished thick sections (0.5-1 cm in thickness) using a 40-80 μ m spot size at 4 Hz frequency in a He atmosphere. Each spot analysis represents 30 scans across the measured mass spectrum (1.2 sec / mass sweep). Data acquisition was started manually after the ablation signal stabilized (typically 5 sec after the beginning of ablation). Average detection limits (taken as 3 standard deviations of the average blank signal determined before each sample) are reported in Table 3.1A. The signal limitations allowed us to measure only the largest sulfides (generally >50 μ m). The ablation effectively homogenized individual sulfides and any possible micron-size heterogeneity in PGEs cannot be resolved. Since the Fe contents of these sulfides (determined with the 30 μ m on the electron probe) do not vary significantly (Table 4.2) I normalized all analyzed signal intensities to the Fe 57 intensity with Fe=56% wt.

For external standards I used a combination of the iron meteorites Filomena and Hoba, using the concentrations reported in Campbell et al. (2002) as there are no widely available or cross-calibrated sulfide international standards to be used in LA-ICPMS studies (Peregoedova et al., 2006; Sylvester, 2008; Jochum and Stoll, 2008;). A comparison between the PGE concentrations in the two meteorites measured by the LA-

ICP-MS method and the values reported in literature is presented in Table 3.1 A, and shows very good agreement for all elements, especially considering the heterogeneous distribution of PGE within the iron meteorites, and that I ran the analyses in spot mode as opposed to line scan. I also analyzed the USGS sulfide standard MASS-1, also known as PS-1 (Wilson et al., 2002), as an independent check of the procedure and normalization method for quantitative sulfide LA-ICPMS analyses. In addition to the PGE data I also report concentration data for Co, Ni, Cu, Au in MASS-1, as these were the only other elements accurately known or present in the meteorites I used as standards. For Pt, Au, Co and Cu my data are within error identical to reported MASS-1 data. There is no reported Ir concentration data for MASS-1 although it is present (see Wilson et al., 2002). Rhenium and Os have both very low concentrations in MASS-1 and there is no other report on their concentrations.

During the sulfide analyses the Rh and Ru signals suffered from large Ni- and Cu-argide polyatomic interferences. As a result of the low Rh and Ru concentrations in these sulfides, the applied Ni- and Cu-argide interference corrections resulted in large raw intensity corrections and subsequently large uncertainties in the calculated concentrations; therefore I do not report Rh and Ru values in the sulfides. The excellent agreement between my meteorite and MASS-1 sulfide data with published data (Table 3.1B) is consistent with limited, if any, matrix specific elemental fractionation during laser ablation between metals and sulfides. The HSE contents of the analyzed sulfides are reported in Table 4.3 (Chapter 4).

3.3 Element-1-HR-ICP-MS, Neptune MC-ICP-MS and LECO CNS- 2000 Analysis

For bulk rock trace element, S analysis, HSE and Os isotope analysis, the samples were coarsely crushed to expose the interior fragments of the xenoliths. Interior pieces were hand picked to avoid obvious surface alterations or voids, and powdered either by hand grinding in a pre-cleaned and preconditioned ceramic alumina mortar and pestle, or agate bowl.

Bulk rock trace elements were determined at the Mass Spectrometry facility at University of South Carolina using the THERMO ELEMENT2-High Resolution ICP-MS. About 250 mg of sample powder were digested with 4 ml of concentrated HF: HNO₃ (3:1) at 100°C for 48 hours. After digestion the samples were dried and the dried cakes were redissolved in concentrated 1 ml HNO₃ (2 times). The dried sample cakes were again redissolved with 3-5 ml of 7N HNO₃ to make a stock solution with 500 ppm of total dissolved solids (TSD). The trace elements were determined at 100 ppm TDS on a single collector THERMO ELEMENT2-HR-ICP-MS. Blanks were measured and corrected for every acquisition sequence and the blank corrected data are reported on Table 5.1 (chapter 5). I used BHVO-2 as a standard (Jochum and Nehring 2006) and here I also report the concentrations of BIR-1 (Jochum et al., 2006) that was run as an unknown.

Bulk rock Sulfur was determined at Activation Laboratories Limited, Canada on a Leco CNS 2000. S is measured as SO₂ produced by the combustion of 0.2 g rock powder and the data is reported in Table 5.1 (Chapter 5). For the quality control of the data USGS certified standard Green River Shale (SGR-1) was used as the reference material. The

measured S concentration of SGR-1 (1.5%) agrees well with the USGS certified value (1.53 wt.%).

Bulk rock HSE were determined at the National High Magnetic Field Laboratory-Florida State University with the “carius-tube” digestion technique, following the method of Puchtel et al. 2004a. About 2.5 gm of sample powder were spiked with an isotopically enriched PGE solution (spike #000601, provided by Prof. Munir Humayun at NHMFL) The spiked powders were digested with ~10ml “inverse Aqua Regia (3:1 -HNO₃: HCl)” in pre-cleaned borosilicate glass tubes at 240°C for 72 hours. After digestion the tubes were chilled to 0°C to prevent possible Os volatilization during opening. Osmium was extracted first from the aqua regia solution, using carbon tetrachloride (CCL₄) solvent extraction technique, then back-extracted to HBr and finally purified via micro distillation using chromic acid as an oxidizer and collected in a drop of HBr (Birck et al., 1997). The Ir-Pt-Pd-Ru was extracted from one half fraction of the extracted aqua regia by cation exchange chromatography using 10 mL of AG50W-X8 exchange resin in 0.15N HCl (Puchtel et al., 2005b). The samples were passed twice through the columns to ensure a clean PGE fraction and minimize potential polyatomic interferences. Rhenium was extracted from the remaining aqua regia solution by anion exchange chromatography in weak HNO₃, following the techniques outlined in Lassiter et al. 2003. Extra care was taken to very carefully and slowly dry down the fractions containing Re in order to avoid loss of Re because of volatilization (detailed protocol is given in the appendix section “HSE and Re-Os Extraction Protocol”). The Ir-Pt-Pd-Ru concentrations were determined on a single collector FinniganMat ELEMENT-1-HR-ICP-MS using a low-flow (100ul) PFA nebulizer (ESI) and PFA spray chamber (Savillex). Mass fractionation was

corrected using the linear law against an in-house 1 ppb mixed PGE standard and Os was determined on a THERMO Neptune MC-ICP-MS respectively. Re analysis was performed using an MCN-6000 desolvating nebulizer coupled with a 50 μ L PFA nebulizer. The HSE and Os isotope ratios of the bulk rock are reported in Table 5.2 (chapter 5).

Table 3.1 A Laser Ablation-ICPMS Standards.

Element (Isotope), detection limit	Meteorite standard used, concentration	Meteorite standard measured, concentration	Meteorite standard reported, concentration
Pd (108), 3.3 ppb	Hoba, 6.65± 0.3 ppm	Filomena, 1.95 ± 0.12 ppm	Filomena, 1.95 ± 0.12 ppm
Re (185), 0.8 ppb	Hoba, 3.15± 0.08 ppm	Filomena, 0.29 ± 0.01 ppm	Filomena, 0.24 ± 0.04 ppm
Os (190), 0.5 ppb	Hoba, 42.5± 0.7 ppm	Filomena, 0.29 ± 0.01 ppm	Filomena, 1.12 ± 0.07 ppm
Ir (195), 0.8 ppb	Hoba, 29.1± 0.4 ppm	Filomena, 3.71 ± 0.02 ppm	Filomena, 3.37 ± 0.16 ppm
Pt (195), 1.9 ppb	Hoba, 28.6± 0.5 ppm	Filomena, 23.72 ± 0.24 ppm	Filomena, 23.9 ± 0.3 ppm
Au (197), 1.2 ppb	Filomena, 0.59± 0.07 ppm	Hoba, 0.07 ± 0.04 ppm	Hoba, 0.09 ± 0.02 ppm

Table 3.1 B Measured Concentrations of the USGS Sulfide Standard MASS-1.

	Meteorite standard used, concentration	Measured concentration ± 1stdev (n=4)	Reported MASS-1, concentrations
Co(59)	Hoba, 7801 ppm	67.9± 2.3ppm	67 a
Ni(60)	Hoba, 16 wt%	91.49 ± 18.8 ppm	128 ± 10 b
Cu(63)	Filomena, 150 ppm	12.5± 0.9 wt%	13.4% a, 12.72% ± 1.2 b
Re(185)	Hoba, 3.15 ppm	0.504 ± 0.022 ppm	-
Os(190)	Hoba, 42.5 ppm	0.031± 0.005 ppm	-
Ir(193)	Hoba, 29.1 ppm	63.51 ± 4.6 ppm	-
Pt(195)	Hoba, 28.6 ppm	61.78 ± 4 ppm	69 ± 6 b
Au(197)	Filomena, 0.59 ppm	48.44 ± 2	47 a , 51 ± 10 b

Hoba and Filomena values are from Campbell et al 2002 and references therein; a: Wilson et al. 2002; b: Sylvester 2008

CHAPTER 4

GEOCHEMISTRY OF SULFIDES IN HAWAIIAN GARNET PYROXENITE XENOLITHS: IMPLICATIONS FOR HIGHLY SIDEROPHILE ELEMENTS IN THE OCEANIC MANTLE

4.1 Introduction

Intraplate volcanism that has created the Hawaiian-Emperor seamount chain is generally thought to be formed by a deep-seated mantle plume (Wilson, 1963; Morgan, 1971; Li et al., 2000; Wolfe et al., 2009). The depth of origin of the Hawaiian plume (and other plumes for that matter) continues to be debated. Some seismic studies suggest a Lower Mantle or Core-Mantle Boundary (CMB) origin (Helmberger et al., 1998; Russell et al., 1998; Bijwaard and Spakman, 1999; Montelli et al., 2004;), while the view from geochemistry has been equivocal. Humayun et al., (2004), using arguments rooted in lava geochemistry, concluded that the Hawaiian magmas tap a relatively Fe-rich source located at the CMB. A CMB origin is also supported by Brandon et al. (1999) who proposed that the characteristically high $^{186}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ - $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratios in Hawaiian lavas are inherited from the excess Os contributed by a “leaky” outer core. In contrast, tungsten isotope data on the same set of lavas (Schersten et al., 2004) were found to be inconsistent with core – mantle interaction and instead, Schersten et al. (2004) suggested that the radiogenic Os isotopic signal could be derived from a very old recycled crustal component in the oceanic mantle. In the same vein, Baker and Jensen (2004) suggested that this radiogenic Os signal could also be explained by the presence of recycled oceanic ferromanganese nodules in the mantle source of these lavas as these materials have sufficiently high Pt/Re ratios to account for the coupled enriched ^{186}Os - ^{187}Os osmium isotope trend. However, Nielsen et al. (2006) pointed out that the lack of a correlation

between thallium and osmium isotopes is inconsistent with this hypothesis. A more recent examination of pyroxenite and eclogite hosted sulfides from the Beni Bousera massif and the Mir and Udachnaya kimberlites, respectively (Luguet et al., 2008), found that some mantle sulfides can have sufficiently high Re/Os and Pt/Os ratios that, upon recycling, could explain the coupled $^{186}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ - $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ enrichments in Ocean Island Basalts (e.g., Hawaiian lavas) and komatiites, thereby arguing against an outer core contribution.

Hawaiian lavas and xenoliths offer a window into the deeper parts of the mantle. There is a large amount of chemical analyses on the lavas and xenoliths from the Hawaiian Island Chain (Lassiter and Hauri, 1998; Norman and Garcia, 1999; Lassiter et al., 2000; Huang and Frey, 2003; Humayun et al., 2004; Bizimis et al., 2005; Bryce et al., 2005; Sobolev et al., 2005; Nielsen et al., 2006; Keshav et al., 2007; Jamais et al., 2008; Marske et al., 2008; Ireland et al., 2009) however, very little is known of sulfides associated with the Hawaiian volcanism. Relative to the silicate mineral constituents of the mantle, sulfide minerals are the overwhelming carriers of the highly siderophile elements (HSE), such as Platinum Group Element or PGE (i.e., Os, Ir, Pt, and Pd), Re and Au. The HSE concentrations in sulfides carry valuable information about the Earth's evolution (Pattou et al., 1996; Roy-Barman et al., 1998a; Alard et al., 2000; Lorand and Alard, 2001; Luguet et al., 2001; Hart and Gaetani, 2006) and may have important implications on the interpretation of the Pt/Os and Re/Os isotope systematics of the mantle and whether the earth's core is exchanging material with the Earth's mantle (Walker et al., 1997; Richardson et al., 2001; Alard et al., 2002; Griffin et al., 2002; Brenan et al., 2008; Luguet et al., 2008). To date far more attention has been paid to

sulfides from peridotites (Szabo and Bodnar, 1995; Guo et al., 1999; Alard et al., 2000; Lugué et al., 2001; Harvey et al., 2006; Liu et al., 2009; Wang et al., 2009) whereas studies of pyroxenitic sulfide minerals are sparse (De Waal and Calk, 1975; Lorand, 1989; Guo et al., 1999; Lugué et al., 2008). De Waal and Calk (1975) made a pioneering petrographic and major element chemical investigation of sulfides in garnet pyroxenite xenoliths from the Salt Lake Crater vent (SLC, Oahu, Hawaii). Such xenoliths in a major oceanic hot spot are important as they offer a rare opportunity to study the geochemistry of pyroxenitic sulfides that originate directly from the present day oceanic upper mantle and thus can provide important constraints on the distribution and fractionation of HSE in the mantle.

The SLC pyroxenites have been interpreted as high pressure cumulates near the base of the Pacific lithosphere (Sen, 1988; Bizimis et al., 2005; Keshav et al., 2007). As such they may also represent an analog of the metasomatic processes that take place at the lithosphere/asthenosphere interface as the oceanic lithosphere moves away from a mid oceanic ridge and where low degree asthenospheric melts freeze and become incorporated in the overlying plate (Niu and O'Hara, 2003). Such metasomatized portions of the deep oceanic lithosphere, upon recycling, could become sources of ocean island basalts (Niu and O'Hara, 2003; Workman et al., 2004). Therefore, the pyroxenitic sulfide geochemistry could also have implications on the PGE and HSE fractionation and Pt-Re-Os isotope systematics of the sources of OIBs.

Here I report on the first *in-situ* LA-ICP-MS analyses of sulfides from the SLC garnet pyroxenite xenoliths. The main objectives of this contribution are: (i) to investigate the distribution and fractionation of HSE, PGE and specifically Pt/Os – Re/Os

ratio in sulfides of pyroxenitic origin, (ii) to evaluate whether recycled sulfides of cumulate nature can account for the high $^{186}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ - $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ signatures observed in Hawaiian lavas and komatiites, and validate the uniqueness of core-mantle exchange (Brandon et al., 1999). My results show that recycling of mantle sulfides of pyroxenitic parentage is unlikely to explain the enriched Pt-Re-Os isotope systematics of plume-derived lavas.

4.2 Background Information

The island of Oahu is built of two tholeiitic shield volcanoes – Koolau to the east and Waianae to the west. Koolau last erupted some 2.5 m.y. ago (Clague, 1987). Following a 1.8-0.9 m.y. hiatus and substantial erosion, strongly alkalic mafic lavas (basanite, nephelinite, alkali basalts) of post-erosional or rejuvenated stage volcanism erupted through some 40 vents that are scattered all across the Koolau shield. These alkalic eruptions are grouped as the Honolulu Volcanics (HV); (Clague and Frey, 1982) and often carry mantle xenoliths, consisting mainly of peridotites and garnet pyroxenites (Jackson and Wright, 1970; Clague and Frey, 1982; Sen, 1987; Sen, 1988). The SLC garnet pyroxenite xenolith suite includes some of the deepest samples found anywhere in the oceans (Keshav and Sen, 2001; Wirth and Rocholl, 2003) and their compositions provide unique snapshots of the deep magma processes and sources of Hawaiian plume volcanism.

There is a significant body of published information on petrography, mineral chemistry, trace element and isotope geochemistry of the SLC pyroxenite xenoliths (Frey, 1980; Sen, 1988; Keshav and Sen, 2001; Bizimis et al., 2005; Sen et al., 2005; Keshav et al., 2007;). The relatively radiogenic $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ compositions of the SLC

pyroxenites, coupled with their low $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ ratios led Lassiter et al. (2000) to propose that they represent 80-100 Myr old cumulates formed at a mid oceanic ridge setting. In contrast Bizimis et al. (2005), showed that both two-mineral pyroxene – garnet Sm/Nd and Lu/Hf isochrons and reconstructed bulk – rock Hf-Nd isotope compositions of the SLC pyroxenites (albeit on a different set of samples than the Lassiter et al., 2000 study) are consistent with essentially “zero” age, i.e., the garnet pyroxenites formed beneath Oahu rather than close to a ridge or somewhere between the ridge (where the lithosphere was created 90 Myr ago) and the location of the Hot Spot. Also, their Nd-Sr and Hf isotope compositions overlap with those of the HV lavas; and the calculated trace element composition of the melts in equilibrium with these pyroxenites are akin to HV-type rather than MORB-type melts (Frey, 1980; Sen et al., 1993; Keshav et al., 2004;).

The presence of garnets with majoritic precursors (Keshav and Sen, 2001) and the discovery of nano-diamonds (Wirth and Rocholl, 2003) have led to the suggestion that some of these pyroxenites were brought up from some 180-270 km ($P = 6-9$ GPa) by the Hawaiian plume. Therefore, at least some of these rare garnet pyroxenites could conceivably represent recycled, old subducted slab materials, or ultra-deep cumulates that crystallized within the upwelling plume, as opposed to the lithosphere/asthenosphere boundary. With the exception of the few rare and deep, and perhaps recycled fragments, the SLC garnet pyroxenites are considered here to represent high pressure (> 2 GPa) accumulates from magmas that were chemically similar to the erupted HV lavas (Bizimis et al., 2005; Keshav et al., 2007). The samples studied here are pyroxenites composed primarily of clinopyroxene with variable modes of garnet and subordinate orthopyroxene and olivine (Table 4.1). Most samples have been previously described in the Bizimis et

al. (2005) study, with additional silicate mineral data given in the Supplementary material (Table A3). Brief sample information and chemical data on the silicate phases are given in Table 4.1.

4.3 Results and Discussion

4.3.1 Sulfide Petrography

Sample choice, data acquisition and interpretation are all biased towards xenolith samples with the largest sulfides that are suitable for LA-ICMPS work because the main thrust of this study is the PGE contents of sulfides. Accordingly, the following discussion on the sulfide petrography is by no means exhaustive, but serves to put the sulfides in a petrological context for the interpretation of their HSE concentrations.

I categorized the sulfides into two petrographic varieties in these xenoliths: Type I are globular sulfides that occur as poikilitic inclusions entirely within clinopyroxene crystals; and Type II, irregular sulfides that occur in the interstitial spaces between the silicate minerals (Fig. 4.1). Type I sulfide inclusions are generally 10-100 μm in diameter (mostly 10-50 μm); and the Type II (interstitial) sulfides are generally larger (50-500 μm) (Fig. 4.1). The smaller size and lower modal abundance of the included sulfides (also in agreement with the De Waal and Calk (1975) findings) is reflected in the lower number of LA-ICP-MS determinations of included vs. interstitial sulfides in my data (Table 4.3).

The “interstitial” sulfides include both sulfides in triple junctions along grains (Fig. 4.1b, c) and irregular grains, which may be interstitial or included. The presence of these two petrographically distinct sulfide types is significant because it implies extended sulfide crystallization: the globular sulfide inclusions formed from immiscible sulfide liquids that were trapped by clinopyroxene crystals which crystallized from the

coexisting silicate melt; while the interstitial types formed after clinopyroxene and garnet crystallization. As noted later, there is no chemical difference between the two sulfide types implying that sulfide chemistry remained essentially invariant while silicate crystallization occurred. Finally, in some samples I also observed ultra fine (less than or equal to 1 μm wide) sulfide veins that fill interstices or cracks within individual mineral grains. I could not analyze this and hence I focused only on Types I and II sulfides.

In a pioneering study of sulfides in SLC pyroxenites, De Waal and Calk (1975) reported that the majority of sulfide inclusions occur in clinopyroxene, which is consistent with my observation and with that of Guo et al., (1999). However, they also found some sulfide inclusions in garnet, ilmenite, orthopyroxene and spinel, which I did not find in my study; and the reason for such a discrepancy is not clear. I can only speculate either that (1) I biased my sampling toward xenoliths with large sulfides (>50 μm) that could be analyzed by LA-ICP-MS. Perhaps these tend to occur preferentially in clinopyroxene - the first phase which appears on the liquidus during experimental crystallization of garnet pyroxenite melt (Keshav et al., 2007). (2) It is also possible that the reason sulfides are not included in garnet probably has something to do with wetting properties of garnet – perhaps garnet excludes sulfide melt rather than includes and grow around it. As I am unaware of experimental data to this effect, whatever I say would be tantamount to free speculation and so it is best that I stick to the observations that the sulfides are only included in the pyroxenes.

4.3.2 Major Element Chemistry of the Sulfides: A Discussion

Detailed petrographic description and analyses of the silicate phases may be found in Bizimis et al., (2005). Here, broad beam (30 μm) EPMA analyses of sulfides in

ten selected Hawaiian pyroxenite xenoliths are given in Table 3.2, which shows that the Hawaiian sulfides are essentially Fe-Ni sulfides with small and variable amounts of Cu. Their compositions are also plotted in Fig. 4.2, which indicates that they are best described as monosulfide solid solution (MSS). Comparison with an early experimental study of the isotherms in the Cu-Fe-Ni-S system at atmospheric pressure (Kullerud et al., 1969) shows that these MSS may be of high-temperature origin.

In an exhaustive study of sulfides in spinel and garnet pyroxenites from an alpine-type massif, Lorand (1989) found that the sulfides started out as high-temperature (1200°C) MSS but subsequently broke down to lower temperature (230°C) sulfides, including Ni-rich pyrrhotite, nickeliferous pentlandite, chalcopyrite and minor pyrite. In an earlier study of Hawaiian xenolithic sulfides, De Waal and Calk (1975) had also identified such phases in Hawaiian xenoliths and therefore, whether or not the presently studied sulfides are also of a low temperature subsolidus origin needs to be evaluated in light of the two studies mentioned above. I took care to examine the sulfides with the highest possible magnification (~220,000X) with SEM and EPMA but did not find these other phases in studied samples. As figure 4.1 shows, all except one of the sulfides are fairly homogeneous. Although it is possible that the one sample that does show inhomogeneous texture (Fig. 4.1d) has experienced subsolidus breakdown (and hence the texture), several experimental studies have shown that such heterogeneous texture can develop during quenching. For example, a very important and relevant recent experimental study by Brenan et al., (2008) at 1 bar using a centrifuge furnace showed that the sulfide melt grew dendritic MSS crystals at 1200°C even though the run was quenched rapidly and thus gave the heterogeneous appearance to the sulfide. Also, an

experimental study by Sugaki & Kitakaze (1998) produced similar heterogeneous textured sulfide melt with quench crystals of pentlandite.

The SLC pyroxenitic sulfides have lower Ni and Cu contents than sulfides reported in oceanic and continental peridotites (Alard et al., 2000; Lorand and Alard, 2001; Lugué et al., 2001; Alard et al., 2002; Lugué et al., 2003; Liu et al., 2009). On the ternary Fe-Ni-S system at 1 atm pressure the pyroxenitic sulfides plot near the FeS end of the MSS field and inside the 1100°C isotherm, whereas the peridotitic sulfides plot away from the FeS join towards lower equilibration temperatures (Fig. 4.2). I emphasize that none of the pyroxenite sulfides analyzed are of the low-T pentlandite or chalcopyrite variety as often seen in oceanic peridotites (Alard et al., 2000; Lorand and Alard, 2001; Lugué et al., 2001; Alard et al., 2002; Liu et al., 2009). I have further verified this with a scanning electron microscope. The absence of low temperature sulfide phases and the lack of compositional differences between Type I and Type II varieties suggests that both types are primary mantle sulfides related to the crystallization of the pyroxenite, and I consider it unlikely that the interstitial sulfides are the product of late (i.e., unrelated to the crystallization of pyroxenite) melt infiltration or low – T alteration.

Finally, I note that the Ni contents of the sulfides (both “Type I” and “Type II”) show a broad positive correlation with the Mg# of the clinopyroxene in the host rock (Fig. 4.3). Such correlation is expected when chemical equilibrium is maintained between sulfide and silicate phases forming from co-existing sulfide-silicate immiscible pairs, and when secondary processes, such as melt infiltration, have negligible effect on the sulfide compositions. This further supports my inference that sulfides and silicates are co-genetic, and most likely originated as immiscible liquids from silicate magmas from

which clinopyroxene and garnet crystallized. The similarity of included and interstitial sulfides and the lack of evidence for any significant compositional heterogeneity in the cpx or garnet in these pyroxenites (Bizimis et al., 2005; Keshav et al., 2007) suggest that crystallization of the two sulfide types happened near contemporaneously (i.e., within a small P,T interval) with some sulfide being encapsulated by crystallizing cpx and others being trapped between crystals under upper mantle conditions.

4.3.3 Pressure -Temperature Conditions of Liquid Immiscibility

Sulfide-silicate liquid immiscibility is a well-established feature in mafic and ultramafic rocks (MacLean, 1969; Mathez, 1976). The globular morphology of the included sulfides (Fig. 4.1a) is consistent with these being early immiscible liquids that were later included by growing clinopyroxene crystals from the more voluminous, silicate conjugate melt. Here I try to evaluate the P-T conditions that controlled the sulfide-silicate liquid immiscibility.

First, for the sulfide-silicate liquid immiscibility to occur, both conjugate melts must be saturated with the other. There have been several experiments conducted on sulfide saturation of silicate melts and silicate-sulfide immiscibility, and it is clear that S-saturation of silicate melts is controlled by P, T, and fugacities of Oxygen and Sulfur (Mavrogenes and O'Neill, 1999). Pressure has a particularly strong negative effect on S-saturation of silicate melt: Mavrogenes and O'Neill (1999) showed in a model calculation that the Sulfur capacity at S-saturation (SCSS) of the erupted lava is ~ 1075 ppm. I note that deep, submarine alkalic glasses found in North Arch volcanic field on the seafloor on Hawaiian flexure contain 1800 ppm S (Davis & Clague, 2006). The importance of this is that the North Arch and Honolulu Volcanics (which host the xenoliths) are all believed to

be petrogenetically similar to the parental melts of the pyroxenites (Sen et al., 2005). Thus, on the basis of the comparison between the glass data and the model calculations of Mavrogenes and O'Neill (1999), it seems reasonable to conclude that the erupted glasses were S-saturated (as was concluded by Dixon et al., 1997). Furthermore, it is reasonable to infer that mantle melts that crystallized the pyroxenites and the sulfides at ~ 3GPa (Keshav et al., 2007) were also S-saturated since such melts rose rather rapidly (hence carrying xenoliths). Although it is difficult to calculate the SCSS of the pyroxenite-parent melt at ~3 GPa, following the model calculations of Mavrogenes and O'Neill (1999) I estimate that it was probably around 400 ppm.

The next issue is determining at what P, T the sulfide-silicate liquid immiscibility occurred beneath Oahu. The problem is that there has not been an experimental study of sulfide-alkaline silicate immiscibility relevant to the Hawaii-type situation, nor there is any suitable sulfide compositional or exchange thermobarometers embedded in any of the available S-immiscibility type experimental studies that can be used to estimate such P-T conditions. Therefore I must rely on indirect means to evaluate the P-T conditions of the said liquid immiscibility.

One such constraint is provided by the experimental crystallization study of Keshav et al. (2004), which shows that the liquidus temperature of Hawaiian garnet pyroxenites is between 1450°-1500°C at 2-2.5 GPa. Similarly, based on the experimental study by Bockrath et al. (2004), the $(\text{Fe, Ni, Cu})_{1-x}\text{S}$ monosulfide also has a liquidus temperature of 1400°-1500°C even though the slopes of the silicate and sulfide melt liquidus may be different (Fig. 4.4). The P, T point of intersection of the two liquidus could represent the conditions where the sulfide-silicate liquid immiscibility had occurred. In

figure 4.4 I show such a possible P-T “point” at 3.1 ± 0.6 GPa and 1530 ± 100 °C. Based on earlier estimates from pyroxene thermobarometry conducted on these xenoliths (e.g. Sen et al., 2005), I feel that the lowest P/T estimate of 2.5 GPa/1480°C, which still falls within the P,T uncertainty above, is more reasonable. These P, T conditions place the sulfide liquid immiscibility to have occurred at the base or below the seismically defined ~80-90 km thick oceanic lithosphere beneath Oahu (Bock, 1991b; Priestley and Tilman, 1999).

4.3.4 PGE Systematics in Pyroxenitic Sulfides

Both included and interstitial sulfides have similar primitive mantle-normalized PGE patterns with low Os and Ir concentrations relative to Pd and Re (Fig. 4.5). Earlier studies have established that the PGE inventory in the upper mantle is controlled by minor non-silicate phases, typically sulfides, oxides or PGE-alloys (Hart and Ravizza, 1996; Alard et al., 2000; Luguet et al., 2007). Given that the modal abundance, solubility in melts and melting behavior of these non-silicate phases are not well understood, rigorous quantitative modeling of the PGE during melting is generally associated with large uncertainties. However, based on the relative concentrations and PGE patterns between peridotites and lavas in general, it is well established that partial melting in the earth’s mantle will fractionate the PGE with Os and Ir being more compatible than Pt and Pd in the mantle peridotite (Pearson et al., 2002). The low Os/Pd ratios and low absolute PGE contents of the pyroxenitic sulfides reported here are qualitatively similar to the patterns observed in lavas (OIB, MORB, Komatiites); (Bennett et al., 2000; Peucker-Ehrenbrink et al., 2003; Puchtel et al., 2004b; Puchtel et al., 2005b; Ireland et al., 2009) and consistent with an origin of pyroxenites as cumulates from a mantle melt, as

previously proposed based on the composition of the silicate phases (Sen, 1988; Keshav et al., 2007;).

I further compare my sulfide data with sulfide inclusions in diamonds, which are generally thought as the best example of primary mantle derived sulfides (Pearson et al., 1998). The major element compositions of sulfide inclusions in African diamonds (Deines and Harris, 1995) are very similar to the SLC pyroxenitic inclusions (Fig. 4.2), and in terms of PGE, the pyroxenitic sulfides are similar to eclogitic (“E” type) sulfide inclusions (Fig. 4.6) in diamond (Pearson et al., 1998). The absolute PGE abundances in pyroxenitic sulfides are lower by a factor of 10 to 1000 when compared to sulfides from “P” type sulfide inclusions in diamond and peridotitic sulfides (Pearson et al., 1998; Alard et al., 2000; Lorand and Alard, 2001; Luguet et al., 2001; Richardson et al., 2001; Pearson et al., 2002) (Fig 4.5, 4.6).

Some of the pyroxenitic sulfides show occasional Pt depletions with respect to Ir and Pd (e.g. samples 559, 680, 774; Fig. 4.5). Similar Pt depletions have also been observed in Cu-Ni-rich sulfides from peridotites, and have been broadly attributed to minor Pt-rich alloys exsolved out of sulfides upon cooling (Alard et al., 2000). As shown earlier however, none of the sulfides analyzed here are of the low- T Cu-Ni-rich variety therefore my data does not directly support a Pt-rich alloy exsolution upon cooling. Peregoedova et al., (2002) have shown that Pt-Ir rich PGE alloys may exsolve from MSS at high T (1000°C) upon desulfurization. The extent of Pt depletion in our sulfide data (calculated here as Pt/Pt^* , or the deviation of the chondrite-normalized Pt concentration of the sample from the hypothetical Pt concentration, Pt^* , where Pt^* lies on a straight line between Ir and Pd on a chondrite-normalized plot) correlates better with the Pt

concentrations of the sulfides ($R^2= 0.44$) but not Ir ($R^2= 0.03$) (not shown). The presence of Pt depletion perhaps suggests that the presence of a Pt-rich alloy alone (as opposed to a Pt-Ir alloy) may control the Pt depletions I observe here. Given that only an extremely small amount of such Pt-rich exsolution will be required to explain the Pt depletions it is quite possible that some Pt alloys escaped detection in our LA-ICPMS study.

4.3.5 Sulfide PGE Concentrations and Silicate Differentiation

The total PGE contents (calculated here as the sum of Os+Ir+Pt+Pd concentrations) of the average sulfide in each pyroxenite sample show a positive correlation with the Mg# of the host rock cpx (Fig. 4.7), in a similar fashion that the Ni sulfide concentrations correlate with the cpx Mg# (Fig. 4.3). This is strong additional evidence that these sulfides were in broad equilibrium with the silicates, and therefore of high temperature mantle origin. This also suggests that secondary processes such as metasomatism by melt/gas infiltration by the host lava, decompression during emplacement into the host lava and even possible Sulfur loss by devolatilization (e.g., Lorand et al., 2003) could not have significantly affected the PGE contents of these pyroxenitic sulfides. Such PGE vs. Mg# trends are common in lavas and komatiites (Rehkamper et al., 1999; Puchtel and Humayun, 2000; Ireland et al., 2009) and have been explained by a combination of olivine crystallization associated with sulfur saturation and subsequent sulfide precipitation. As the SLC pyroxenites have been interpreted as high pressure cumulates, a similar process may be called upon to explain these correlations, the difference being that the pyroxenites are pyroxene-garnet rich, olivine-poor cumulates as opposed to lavas sampled at the surface which are generally controlled by olivine fractionation / accumulation.

An examination of experimental studies on peridotite and pyroxenite compositions shows that during high-pressure (2-5 GPa.) isobaric crystallization (Walter, 1998; Keshav et al., 2004) the Mg# of cpx and garnet decreases with cooling and progressive crystallization. For example, in the SLC pyroxenite composition experiments of Keshav et al., (2004) at 2.5 GPa, the Mg# in cpx decreases steadily from 0.877 to 0.772 and the cpx abundance increases as the temperature drops from 1478 to 1320 °C. The SLC pyroxenites examined here can be modeled as products of a similar crystallization process where each sample represents a cumulate at different extends of crystallization from a parental melt of similar composition.

I envision the following process of crystallization – induced sulfide immiscibility: The parental pyroxenite melt separates from its source and begins crystallizing at some thermal boundary layer, either at the base of the lithosphere or even within the upwelling plume. Here, the high Mg# samples represent the earlier higher temperature cumulates. During this early fractionation, the melt becomes saturated with sulfur and separates an immiscible sulfide melt. As I discussed earlier the SCSS of the pyroxenite parental melt at high P and T is expected to be low, therefore only limited crystal fractionation will drive the residual liquid to S-saturation and sulfide precipitation. Because of the extremely high sulfide/silicate partition coefficients (Fleet et al., 1999) the sulfide will effectively soak up the PGE out of the melt. Further fractionation along a decreasing temperature path leads to lower Mg# in the cumulate cpx and garnet and saturates the melt with sulfur once more, leading to a new immiscible sulfide. The PGE concentrations of this “second generation” sulfide however will be lower than the first one because the residual liquid is now depleted in PGE (and Ni). The process continues with the end

result that the most evolved cumulates (lowest Mg# in cpx) will have sulfides with the lowest Ni and PGE contents. The actual concentrations depend on the amount of sulfur saturation and the amount of precipitated sulfide at each step, but the overall trend will persist.

In order to quantitatively model this process I need an estimate of the parental melt composition. It was discussed in the background section that the parental melts of these pyroxenites may either be a HV-type melt, a MORB-type or a tholeiitic melt related to the Hawaiian shield stage lavas. Here I use the HSE abundances to constrain this parental melt. I calculate Re and Os concentrations in the conjugate silicate melt composition that would have coexisted with the measured sulfides using the sulfide/silicate partition coefficients of 5.0 and 3.7×1000 for Os and Re respectively (Fleet et al., 1999; Sattari et al., 2002). Figure 4.8a shows that the calculated silicate melt compositions are more akin to the post-erosional HV lavas, and unlike the Hawaiian picrites or MOR type melts and I conclude that melts similar to HV are more likely the parental melt for these sulfides and by inference the pyroxenites.

I now model the immiscibility process using an HV-type parental melt with the highest Os concentrations reported by Lassiter et al. 2000 and a chondritic Os/Ir ratio (a valid assumption as their partition coefficients during mantle melting are very similar). From this melt I sequentially separate 0.05% of immiscible sulfide using the sulfide / silicate melt partition coefficients from Fleet et al. 1999. This simulates the progressive silicate crystallization and sulfur saturation in our model. While silicate crystallization will also change the PGE contents of the residual liquid because PGE are incompatible in the silicate minerals, this effect is negligible compared to that of the sulfide separation

and I ignore it in my calculations. My results indicate that only limited (0.01%-0.3% modal) sulfide precipitation is needed to reproduce the variability in the PGE concentrations of the SLC pyroxenitic sulfides (Fig. 4.8b). With a S concentration of 35 wt% in the sulfides, my high end estimate of 0.3% sulfide total fractionation is equivalent to ~1000ppm sulfur and similar to the concentration of a typical Hawaiian magma (Jamais et al., 2008). Bearing on the validity of these assumptions this suggests near total sulfur precipitation from the parental melt is required to explain the sulfides with the lowest PGE contents.

The above process can explain the fractionation of PGE in the pyroxenitic sulfides in relationship to high-pressure crystallization of a parental magma and the composition of the host pyroxene. However it cannot explain all sulfide patterns I observed in my samples. For example, the two included sulfides in sample 559 with high Mg# in cpx (Fig. 4.5) show Os and Ir enrichments and concentrations that overlap peridotite sulfides. This later case could be assigned to melt-rock reaction where the initial high-T melt (and a crystallizing cpx with high Mg#) may react with the surrounding peridotite and become enriched in PGE by preferentially dissolving peridotitic sulfides or Os-Ir alloys from the peridotite. Qualitatively, melt-rock reaction between the pyroxenite parental melts and a mantle peridotite should be taking place as a melt (and perhaps more likely the initial high temperature melt) needs to “make space” in the mantle / lithosphere to crystallize the pyroxenites and evidence for that may exist in the PGE contents of pyroxenitic sulfides. Apart for this special case however, I suggest that the broad range of PGE concentrations in the pyroxenite sulfides are consistent with progressive high-pressure

crystallization of magma similar to the rejuvenated lavas observed on and around the Hawaiian islands.

4.3.6 Implications for the ^{186}Os - ^{187}Os Systematics of Hawaiian Lavas and the Lower Mantle-Outer Core Chemical Exchange

Whether or not the metallic core of the earth is exchanging material with the silicate mantle is fundamental to our understanding of the composition of the earth's mantle. Brandon et al., (1999) proposed that the coupled enrichments in $^{186}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ - $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ isotopes observed in some Hawaiian picrites and komatiites result from contributions from the outer core, linking therefore mantle plumes to the core-mantle boundary. This hypothesis is based on metal-liquid partition coefficients for the PGE – Re that result in coupled Pt/Os, Re/Os enrichments and Pt/Re ratios such that, over time, will result in coupled suprachondritic $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ and $^{186}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratios in the outer core (Brandon and Walker, 2005). Brandon and Walker (2005) also discussed the possibility that mantle pyroxenites may have high enough Pt/Re ratios that upon recycling and aging may lead to such coupled $^{186}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ - $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ enrichments, however the limited data at that time prevented a full analysis of that possibility. Based on a study of pyroxenites from the Beni Bousera ophiolitic massif, Luguet et al., (2008) recently suggested that pyroxenites plus their sulfides can have high enough Pt/Os and Re/Os ratios that upon recycling and aging can generate the enriched osmium isotope signatures observed in plume volcanism thereby providing an alternative to the leaky core hypothesis. In contrast, Ireland et al. (2009) suggested that hybridization of a peridotitic mantle source with a pyroxenite melt and its associate sulfides, such as those determined by Luguet et al. (2008) could not have played a major role in the source of Hawaiian picrites, since this

process will substantially increase the Pt abundance and the Pt/Os ratio of the Hawaiian mantle source which is not supported by the lava data (Ireland et al., 2009).

The SLC pyroxenites analyzed here contain sulfides from the present day oceanic upper mantle and therefore are uniquely suited to test the pyroxenite-recycling hypothesis as a source for the coupled $^{186}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ - $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ enrichments in the mantle. I assume that the sulfides are the main repository of Pt-Re-Os in these pyroxenites and that the sulfide Pt/Os and Pt/Re ratios represent that of the bulk rock. Using the measured Pt/Os and Re/Os ratios of these sulfides I can calculate the range of $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ and $^{186}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ compositions that these could develop by “ageing” the sulfides over 1, 2 and 3Ga from a chondritic earth and assuming the ratios will not change during the recycling process. Figure 4.9 shows the “aged” compositions of all the sulfides measured here compared with the present day isotope compositions of the mantle and the osmium isotope-enriched Hawaiian lavas and komatiites. These sulfides upon aging can generate relatively radiogenic $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ and $^{186}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratios, but do not generate the steep array required by the plume samples (Fig. 4.9). Brandon et al. (1999) demonstrated that in order to produce the slope of the Hawaiian picrites in $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ vs. $^{186}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ isotope space their source should have a Pt/Re ratio of 88-100. The pyroxenite sulfides analyzed here have a Pt/Re range from 0.03 to 10 (Fig. 4.10) and as such they cannot generate the steep array in $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ vs. $^{186}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ isotope space required by the plume data (Fig. 4.9). Even if Re is compatible in garnet (Righter et al., 1998) and there are appreciable amounts of Re in the silicate portion of these pyroxenites this will only decrease the Pt/Re ratio of the bulk rock, further removing it from the required and high Pt/Re ratio of 88-100.

Figure 4.10 further shows the distribution of Pt/Re ratios in pyroxenite sulfides from our study including the pyroxenite and eclogite sulfide data of Luguet et al. 2008, and peridotitic sulfides from Wang et al. 2009. It is evident that the vast majority of pyroxenitic sulfides have much lower Pt/Re ratio than the 88-100 Pt/Re range required to explain the ^{186}Os - ^{187}Os isotope enrichments of Hawaiian lavas and komatiites. In fact, only one pyroxenite (Beni Bousera sample GP 87T in Luguet et al., 2008) has a high enough Pt/Re ratio (~ 115) to generate, over time, the observed ^{186}Os - ^{187}Os enrichments in plume lavas.

One possible workaround to the low Pt/Re ratios of the pyroxenites would be the fortuitous involvement of Pt-rich alloys in the source of these plume lavas, in addition to a pyroxenitic component. The Pt-rich alloys from the Josephine ophiolite have extremely high Pt/Re ratios ($>10,000$, Luguet et al., 2008) and will generate over time very radiogenic $^{186}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratios. Mixing of high $^{186}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratios with the pyroxenite-generated high $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ could theoretically produce the required radiogenic $^{186}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ - $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ end member seen in the Hawaiian and komatiite lavas. While such a fortuitous scenario may be theoretically possible, I consider how likely it could be, especially when the distribution of Pt-rich alloys in the mantle is virtually unknown and considering the Ireland et al. (2009) arguments that such a high Pt/Re source is not compatible with the PGE contents of the Hawaiian lavas, at least. Based on the above discussion I suggest that recycled, mantle-derived pyroxenites and perhaps eclogites are not, on average, a likely source of the enriched ^{186}Os - ^{187}Os osmium isotope compositions seen in the Hawaiian plume and komatiites. Therefore an outer core contribution to the

Hawaiian and other komatiite plume volcanism may still be required to explain these features.

4.4 SUMMARY

My investigation on the major and HSE contents of sulfides from garnet pyroxenite xenoliths from Salt Lake Crater, Oahu, Hawaii has shown that these sulfides are consistent with a high temperature mantle origin. Petrographic and experimental considerations suggest that these sulfides originate at the base of the Pacific lithosphere, or even deeper, as immiscible sulfide melt from a crystallizing silicate melt that is similar to lavas erupting during the rejuvenated volcanism. The Ni and PGE contents in the sulfides correlate with the Mg# of the host clinopyroxene, providing direct evidence for sulfide / silicate equilibration, and some of the strongest evidence that these sulfides are primary mantle sulfides. As such they represent some of the best available material to investigate the behavior of PGE and other HSE elements in the mantle. The variability in the HSE concentrations of the SLC pyroxenitic sulfides can be explained by limited (0.01%-0.3% modal) sulfide precipitation during high pressure crystallization. The pyroxenitic sulfides have relatively low Pt/Re ratios and do not have the potential to produce the coupled radiogenic $^{186}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ - $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratios as observed in Hawaiian lavas or komatiites upon recycling and aging. My data therefore argue against the presence of recycled pyroxenitic sulfides in the source of high $^{186}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ - $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ plumes, leaving an outer core contribution to these plumes as a valid hypothesis.

Table 4.1

Modal Composition and Lithology of Studied Xenoliths and Chemical Index of the Major Mineral Phases.

Sample Number	Clinopyroxene	Garnet	Orthopyroxene	Olivine	Rock Name
<u>77 SL- 552</u>	95% (Mg # 0.69)	2-5% (Mg # 0.62)			Garnet Pyroxenite
77 SL -555	80% (Mg # 0.77)	20% (Mg # 0.68)	<1% (Mg # 0.79)		Garnet Pyroxenite
<u>77 SL -559</u>	85% (Mg # 0.77)	15% (Mg # 0.65)			Garnet Pyroxenite Olivine-bearing
<u>77 SL -590</u>	80% (Mg # 0.78)	15% (Mg # 0.67))	1-2% (Mg # 0.79)	1-5%	Garnet Pyroxenite Olivine-bearing
77 SL -594	85% (Mg # 0.78)	10% (Mg # 0.69)	<5% (Mg # 0.79)	<2%	Garnet Pyroxenite Olivine-bearing
77 SL -620	75% (Mg # 0.80)	20% (Mg # 0.68)	5% (Mg # 0.81)	1-5%	Garnet Pyroxenite
<u>77 SL -680</u>	90% (Mg # 0.72)	10% (Mg # 0.58)			Garnet Pyroxenite
<u>77 SL -744</u>	60% (Mg # 0.68)	40% ((Mg # 0.62)			Garnet Pyroxenite
<u>77 SL -774</u>	95% (Mg # 0.69)	<5% (Mg # 0.64)			Garnet Pyroxenite
77 SL -776	50% (Mg # 0.84)		50% (Mg # 0.84)		Websterite

Mg# = Mg/(Mg+Fe), most of these data are from Bizimis et al. 2005. Additional analyses are given in Supplementary Table A3

Underlined sample numbers are analyzed for HSE

Table 4.2 Major Element Composition of Sulfides (wt. %)

Sample No	SL 552 _{inclusion}		SL 559 _{inclusion}		SL 590 _{inclusion}		SL 744 _{inclusion}		SL 774 _{inclusion}	
	Wt%	1 σ Error n=4	Wt%	1 σ Error n=2	Wt%	1 σ Error n=2	Wt%	1 σ Error n=2	Wt%	1 σ Error n=2
Fe	57.44	0.24	56.58	0.45	55.04	0.03	57.40	0.71	56.71	0.66
Ni	4.60	0.13	6.11	0.13	9.52	0.17	5.30	0.28	3.48	0.18
Zn	0.41	0.02	0.50	0.15	0.01	0.01	0.41	0.01	0.36	0.05
Cu	1.51	0.05	1.21	0.27	0.55	0.07	1.27	0.02	1.34	0.06
S	36.66	0.93	37.40	0.14	36.10	0.71	36.42	0.77	37.38	0.17
Total	100.62	0.65	101.79	0.61	101.22	0.44	100.79	0.33	99.26	0.21

Sample No	SL 552 _{interstitial}		SL 559 _{interstitial}		SL 590 _{interstitial}		SL 744 _{interstitial}		SL 774 _{interstitial}	
	Wt%	1 σ Error n=6	Wt%	1 σ Error n=3	Wt%	1 σ Error n=4	Wt%	1 σ Error n=4	Wt%	1 σ Error n=3
Fe	55.95	0.41	56.30	0.58	55.87	0.47	56.90	0.77	56.56	0.47
Ni	4.80	0.32	5.67	0.45	8.59	0.67	4.98	0.15	3.24	0.15
Zn	0.42	0.02	0.47	0.12	0.01	0.01	0.37	0.01	0.34	0.08
Cu	1.54	0.14	1.62	0.24	0.50	0.06	1.47	0.33	1.28	0.08
S	37.87	1.25	37.44	0.12	35.76	0.52	37.19	0.59	37.42	0.14
Total	99.29	1.15	101.49	1.14	100.73	0.19	100.906	0.29	98.84	0.47

Table 4.2 Continued...

Sample No	SL 555 _{inclusion}		SL 594 _{inclusion}		SL 620 _{inclusion}		SL 776 _{inclusion}		SL 680 _{inclusion}	
	Wt%	1 σ Error	Wt%	1 σ Error	Wt%	1 σ Error	Wt%	1 σ Error	Wt%	1 σ Error
		n=2		n=2		n=2		n=2		n=2
Fe	56.53	0.46	55.45	0.07	55.43	0.27	56.15	0.07	56.71	0.66
Ni	7.43	0.25	8.15	0.07	7.75	0.21	7.80	0.42	3.87	0.04
Zn	0.01	0.01	0.40	0.14	0.36	0.07	0.48	0.18	0.30	0.03
Cu	0.54	0.03	0.85	0.06	1.05	0.21	0.63	0.19	1.04	0.23
S	36.20	0.42	35.65	0.64	35.75	0.49	35.85	0.92	37.38	0.17
Total	100.70	0.24	100.50	0.70	100.34	0.30	100.90	0.55	99.30	0.71
Sample No	SL 555 _{interstitial}		SL 594 _{interstitial}		SL 620 _{interstitial}		SL 776 _{interstitial}		SL 680 _{interstitial}	
	Wt%	1 σ Error	Wt%	1 σ Error	Wt%	1 σ Error	Wt%	1 σ Error	Wt%	1 σ Error
		n=3		n=2		n=3		n=4		n=3
Fe	55.22	0.16	56.17	0.09	55.17	0.07	55.26	0.23	57.45	0.31
Ni	7.87	0.35	6.53	0.24	7.85	0.49	8.15	0.35	4.01	0.62
Zn	0.06	0.08	0.38	0.03	0.17	0.10	0.15	0.07	0.01	0.01
Cu	0.49	0.22	0.68	0.06	0.61	0.07	0.51	0.13	0.70	0.12
S	35.97	0.40	36.95	0.35	36.85	0.07	37.00	0.15	37.42	0.14
Total	99.60	0.72	100.71	0.59	100.97	0.07	101.07	0.53	99.58	0.40

All the analysis are broad beam 30 μm microprobe analysis.

Table 4.3 HSE Concentrations in Sulfides

Sample No.	nature	Os ppm	Ir ppm	Pt ppm	Pd ppm	Re ppm	Au ppm	Pb ppm
744_1	interstitial	0.060	0.036	0.126	0.198	0.221	0.033	0.134
744_2 (n=3)	interstitial	0.044	0.023	0.099	0.190	0.257	0.009	0.158
744_3	interstitial	0.009	0.005	0.074	0.141	0.311	0.001	0.128
744_4	interstitial	0.059	0.036	0.112	0.154	0.264	0.013	0.158
744_5	interstitial	0.045	0.025	0.067	0.127	0.286	0.023	0.275
744_6	interstitial	0.008	0.003	0.027	0.054	0.136	0.011	0.333
744_7	interstitial	0.022	0.013	0.038	0.138	0.396	0.125	
744_8	interstitial	0.019	0.009	0.048	0.108	0.005	0.008	
	Average	0.033	0.019	0.074	0.139	0.234	0.028	0.198
	STDEV	0.021	0.013	0.036	0.046	0.119	0.040	0.085
744_9	inclusion	0.010	0.006	0.107	0.138	0.236	0.108	0.523
552_1	interstitial	0.058	0.027	0.033	0.100	0.218	0.004	0.083
552_2	interstitial	0.027	0.013	0.057	0.130	0.232	0.006	0.128
552_3	interstitial	0.010	0.006	0.161	0.276	0.224	0.027	0.572
552_4	interstitial	0.090	0.057	0.269	0.826	0.192	0.048	0.109
552_5	interstitial	0.095	0.045	0.137	0.273	0.214	0.006	0.132
552_6	interstitial	0.092	0.048	0.125	0.258	0.205	0.012	0.117
552_7	interstitial	0.055	0.049	0.219	0.429	0.208	1.148	0.960
552_8	interstitial	0.122	0.062	0.264	0.286	0.358	0.411	0.215
552_9	interstitial	0.156	0.078	0.172	0.187	0.373	0.335	0.143

Table 4.3 Continued.....

Sample No.	nature	Os	Ir	Pt	Pd	Re	Au	Pb
		ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm
552_10	interstitial	0.241	0.096	0.481	0.396	0.439	0.318	0.242
552_11	interstitial	0.297	0.175	0.256	0.224	0.391	0.208	0.284
552_12	interstitial	0.322	0.194	0.139	0.142	0.316	0.036	0.188
	Average	0.130	0.071	0.193	0.294	0.281	0.213	0.264
	STDEV	0.104	0.059	0.119	0.195	0.088	0.331	0.255
552_13	inclusion	0.144	0.110	0.646	1.008	0.289	0.066	0.094
552_14	inclusion	0.103	0.065	0.182	0.353	0.250	0.012	0.224
	Average	0.123	0.087	0.414	0.680	0.270	0.039	0.159
	STDEV	0.029	0.032	0.328	0.463	0.027	0.038	0.092
590_1	interstitial	0.293	0.151	0.530	0.412	0.540	0.728	0.189
590_2	interstitial	0.345	0.197	0.298	0.229	0.616	0.378	0.205
590_3	interstitial	0.044	0.079	0.302	0.985	0.131	0.570	0.913
	Average	0.227	0.142	0.377	0.542	0.429	0.559	0.435
	STDEV	0.161	0.060	0.133	0.395	0.261	0.176	0.413
774_1	interstitial	0.022	0.013	0.032	0.037	0.262	0.086	0.070
774_2	interstitial	0.014	0.016	0.066	0.062	0.208	0.032	0.244
774_3	interstitial	0.014	0.013	0.020	0.034	0.217	0.009	0.158
774_4	interstitial	0.029	0.017	0.011	0.025	0.258	0.043	0.066

Table 4.3 Continued.....

Sample No.	nature	Os ppm	Ir ppm	Pt ppm	Pd ppm	Re ppm	Au ppm	Pb ppm
774_5	interstitial	0.040	0.027	0.022	0.082	0.197	0.040	0.065
774_6	interstitial	0.046	0.023	0.013	0.054	0.203	0.004	0.034
774_7	interstitial	0.043	0.022	0.019	0.047	0.218	0.000	0.218
774_8	interstitial	0.028	0.020	0.015	0.037	0.212	0.000	0.071
774_9	interstitial	0.024	0.016	0.008	0.035	0.219	0.000	0.034
774_10	interstitial	0.036	0.019	0.009	0.046	0.256	0.003	0.117
774_11	interstitial	0.028	0.019	0.006	0.033	0.232	0.000	0.144
	Average	0.030	0.019	0.020	0.045	0.226	0.020	0.111
	STDEV	0.011	0.004	0.017	0.016	0.023	0.028	0.072
680_1	interstitial	0.029	0.016	0.075	0.194	0.142	0.009	0.101
680_2	interstitial	0.027	0.015	0.068	0.193	0.145	0.007	0.056
680_3	interstitial	0.059	0.036	0.412	0.625	0.197	0.036	0.096
680_4	interstitial	0.096	0.046	0.413	0.580	0.199	0.037	0.237
680_5	interstitial	0.071	0.040	0.015	0.076	0.193	0.000	0.120
680_6	interstitial	0.068	0.039	0.012	0.076	0.185	0.000	0.961
680_7	interstitial	0.069	0.036	0.016	0.103	0.232	0.029	0.944
680_8	interstitial	0.014	0.009	0.037	0.127	0.256	0.005	0.206
	Average	0.054	0.030	0.131	0.247	0.194	0.015	0.340
	STDEV	0.028	0.014	0.175	0.225	0.038	0.016	0.383

Table 4.3 Continued.....

Sample No.	nature	Os ppm	Ir ppm	Pt ppm	Pd ppm	Re ppm	Au ppm	Pb ppm
559_1	interstitial	1.224	1.380	0.051	0.108	0.421	0.017	0.106
559_2	interstitial	0.155	0.079	0.057	0.160	0.443	0.017	0.499
559_3	interstitial	0.167	0.089	0.183	0.349	0.401	0.147	6.833
559_4	interstitial	0.062	0.025	0.075	0.308	0.408	0.018	0.029
559_5	interstitial	0.062	0.035	0.020	0.086	0.417	0.004	0.084
		Average	0.334	0.322	0.077	0.202	0.418	1.510
		STDEV	0.500	0.592	0.062	0.119	0.016	2.981
559_6	inclusion	0.059	0.052	0.212	0.316	0.292	0.085	0.066

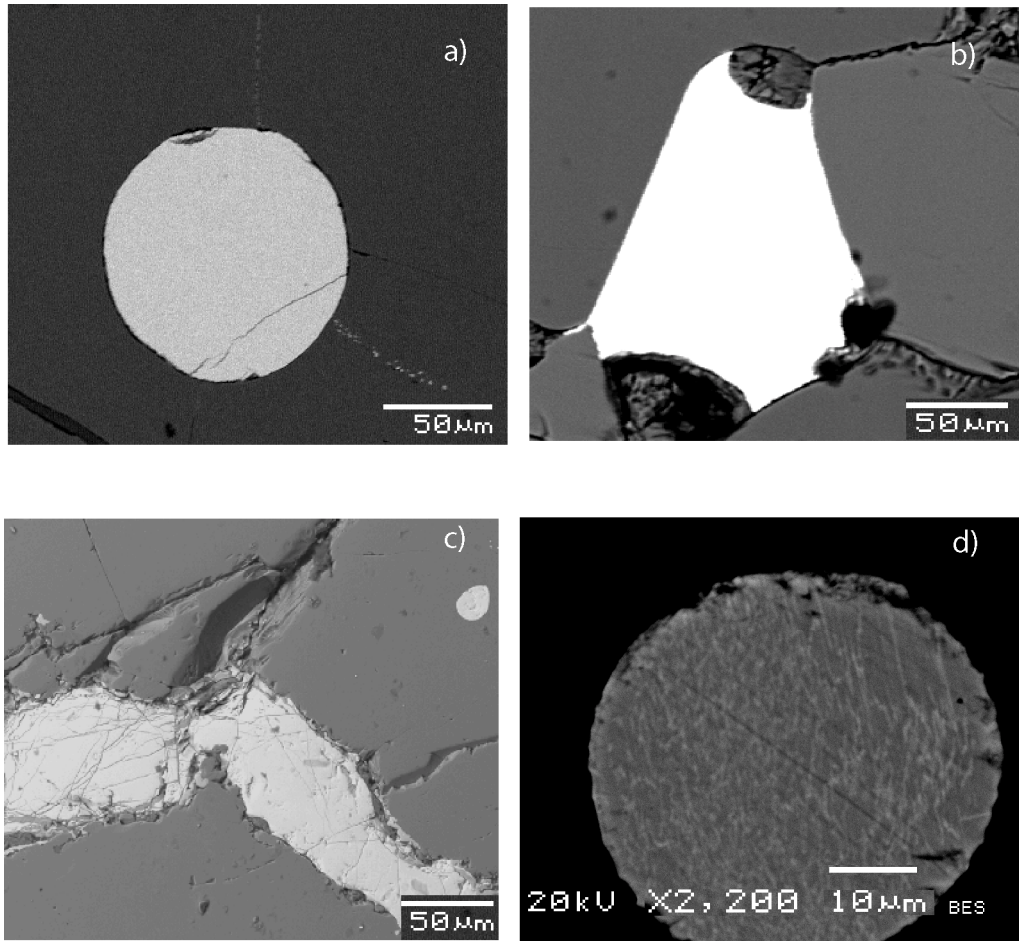


Figure 4.1 SEM images of Sulfide grains. (a) SL-552: Sulfide inclusion within clinopyroxene. (b) SL-590: Interstitial sulfide in triple junctions along cpx grains. (c) SL-744: Interstitial and included sulfide. (d) SL-590: Interfingered Ni rich and Ni poor portions in sulfide inclusion observed on a single sample SL-590 (white bands are the Ni rich portion). Pictures are taken using the Scanning Electron Microscope at FCAEM, Florida International University.

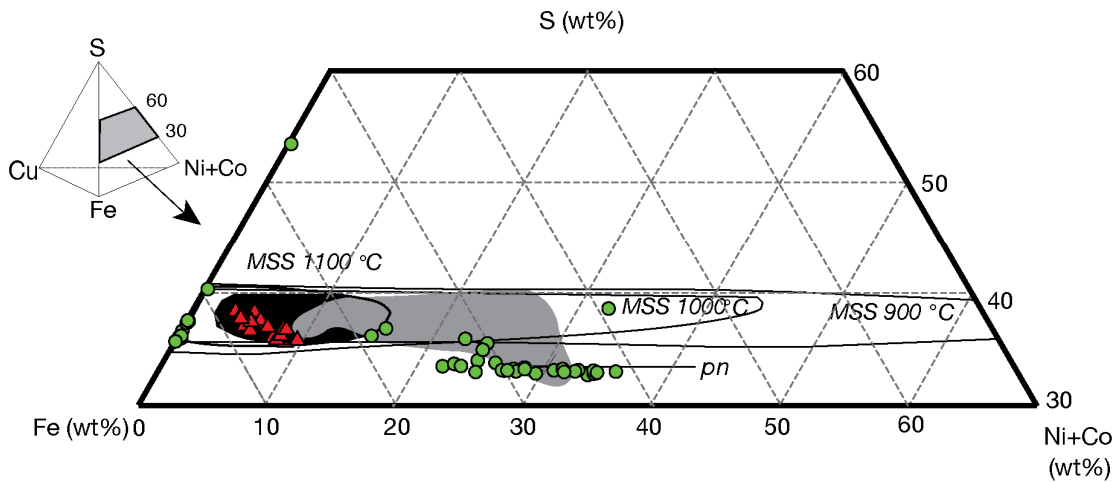


Figure 4.2 Pyroxenitic sulfide compositions plotted in the Fe-Ni-S system (Kullerud et al., 1969). Filled triangle, sulfides in pyroxenite xenoliths (this study); Filled circle, sulfides in abyssal peridotites (Liu et al., 2009); black field, sulfide inclusion in African diamonds (Deines and Harris, 1995); grey field; sulfides in peridotites (Alard et al., 2000). End member phases: MSS – monosulfide solid solution; Pn – pentlandite.

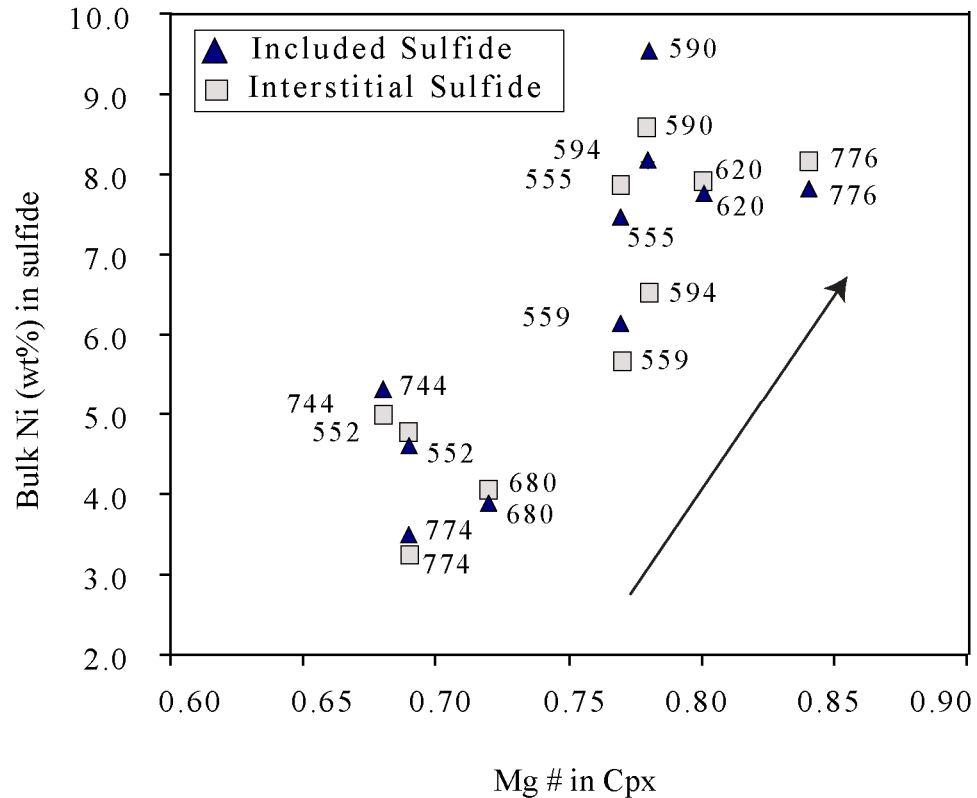


Figure 4.3 Mg# of clinopyroxene vs. average Ni concentrations (wt. %) in coexisting sulfides (Mg# = Molar Mg/ Mg + Fe_{Total}). Sulfide data from this study and most of the major element data for clinopyroxene from Bizimis et al. (2005) (Additional data in appendix supplement Table A3). The sulfides with the highest Ni contents coexist with the most Mg-rich cpx (also garnet; not shown). This suggests chemical equilibrium between cpx and sulfides in these pyroxenites. Also note that the average interstitial and included sulfides for each sample have very similar Ni contents.

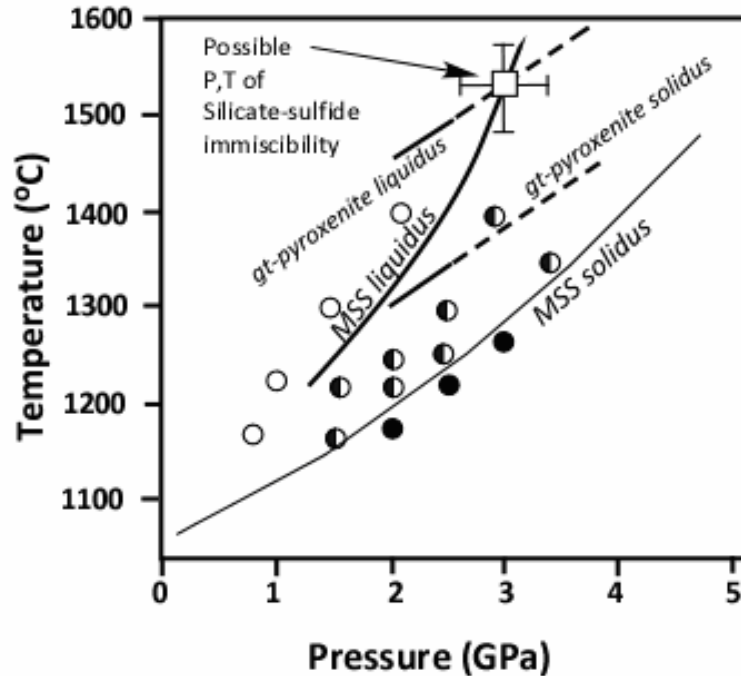
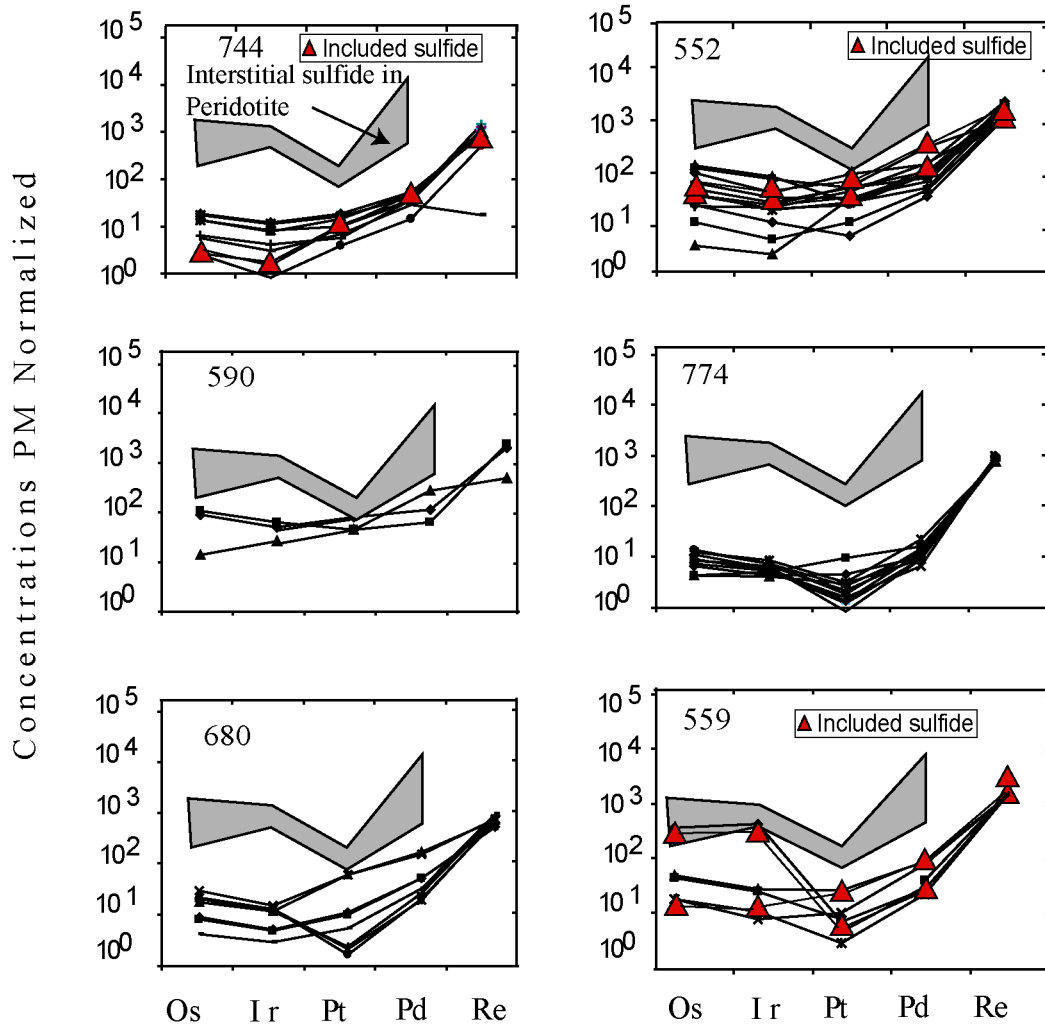


Figure 4.4 Inferred Pressure – Temperature conditions of silicate-sulfide liquid immiscibility beneath Hawaii. MSS solidus and liquidus are drawn from Bockrath et al.’s (2004) run data (filled circle-solid, unfilled circles-melt, half-filled circle solid + melt). The garnet pyroxenite solidus and liquidus are from Keshav et al. (2004). The MSS liquidus is drawn as a curve halfway between adjacent melt vs. solid + melt runs. I infer the intersection of the MSS liquidus and extrapolated garnet pyroxenite liquidus curves as the likely P-T point where the sulfide-silicate liquid immiscibility have occurred. Note that the experimental constraint on the placement of MSS liquidus is not as strong, leading to large error bar in the location of the P-T intersection point. Based on the previous pyroxene thermobarometry of the xenoliths, lava and melt inclusion thermometry, the lower limit of 1480°C and 2.5 GPa is perhaps a more plausible condition of sulfide silicate liquid immiscibility.



■ Interstitial Sulfides in Peridotite from Alard et.al 2000

Figure 4.5 Primitive Mantle normalized PGE abundances of sulfides. Large solid triangle, “type I” included sulfides and the rest are “type II” interstitial sulfides. Type II sulfides are compared with interstitial sulfides in mantle peridotite (Alard et al., 2000). Interstitial sulfides in pyroxenite and peridotite have similar PGE pattern but the latter is enriched in PGE by a factor of 10 to 100 and interstitial and included sulfides in pyroxenite are similar, both in pattern and abundance. Primitive Mantle values are from McDonough and Sun (1995).

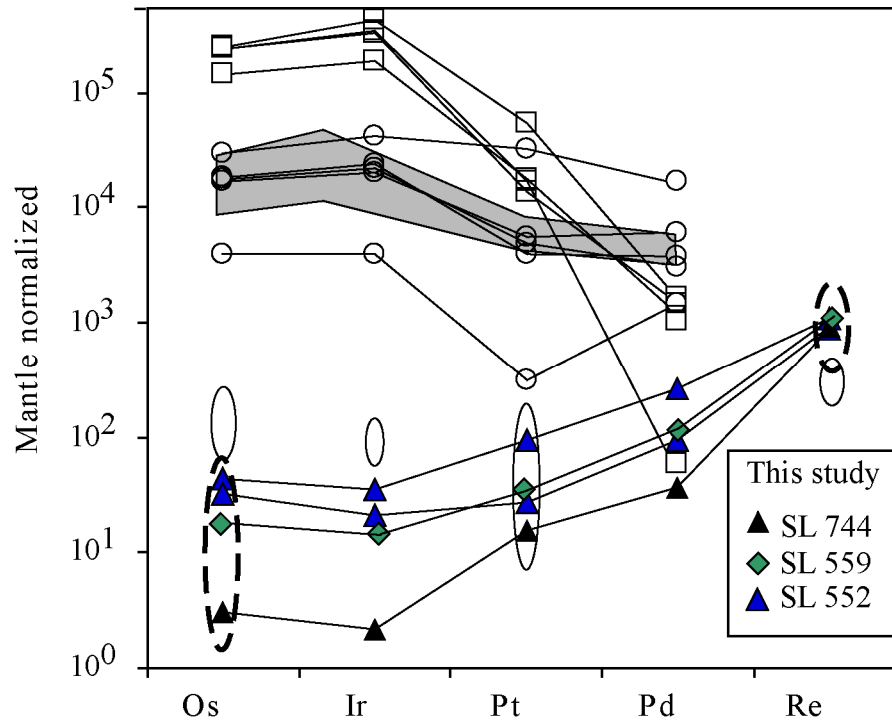


Figure 4.6 Primitive Mantle normalized (McDonough and Sun, 1995) HSE pattern of included sulfides. Open circles, sulfides in peridotites; open square, sulfides in kimberlite; grey area, sulfide inclusion in peridotitic ("P" type) diamonds (Alard et al., 2000); elliptical field with solid boundary, pyroxenitic sulfides (Luguet et al., 2008); elliptical field with dashed boundary, sulfide inclusion in eclogitic ("E" type) diamonds (Pearson et al., 1998).

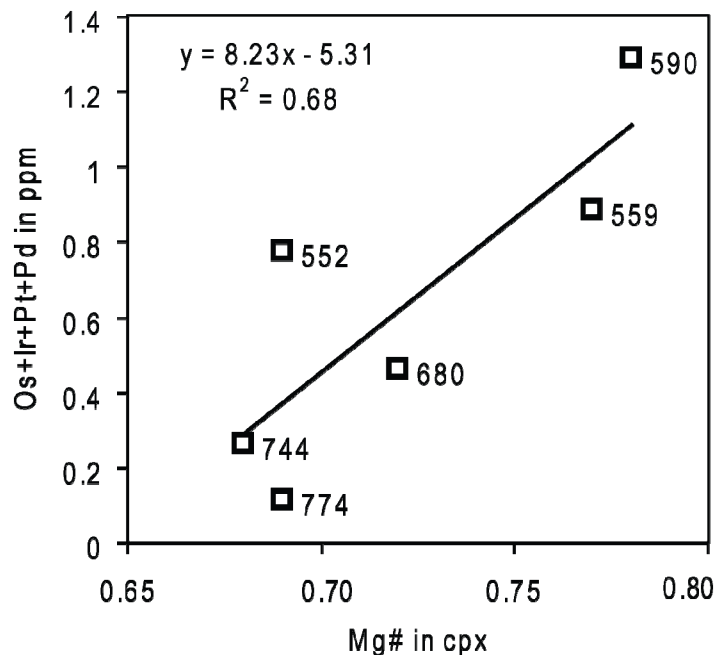


Figure 4.7 Mg# (Molar Mg/ Mg + Fe_{Total}) of clinopyroxene vs. total PGE concentrations (Os + Ir + Pt + Pd) in sulfides. Sulfide data from this study and most of the major element data for clinopyroxene from Bizimis et al. (2005) with additional major element data reported in Appendix Table A3.

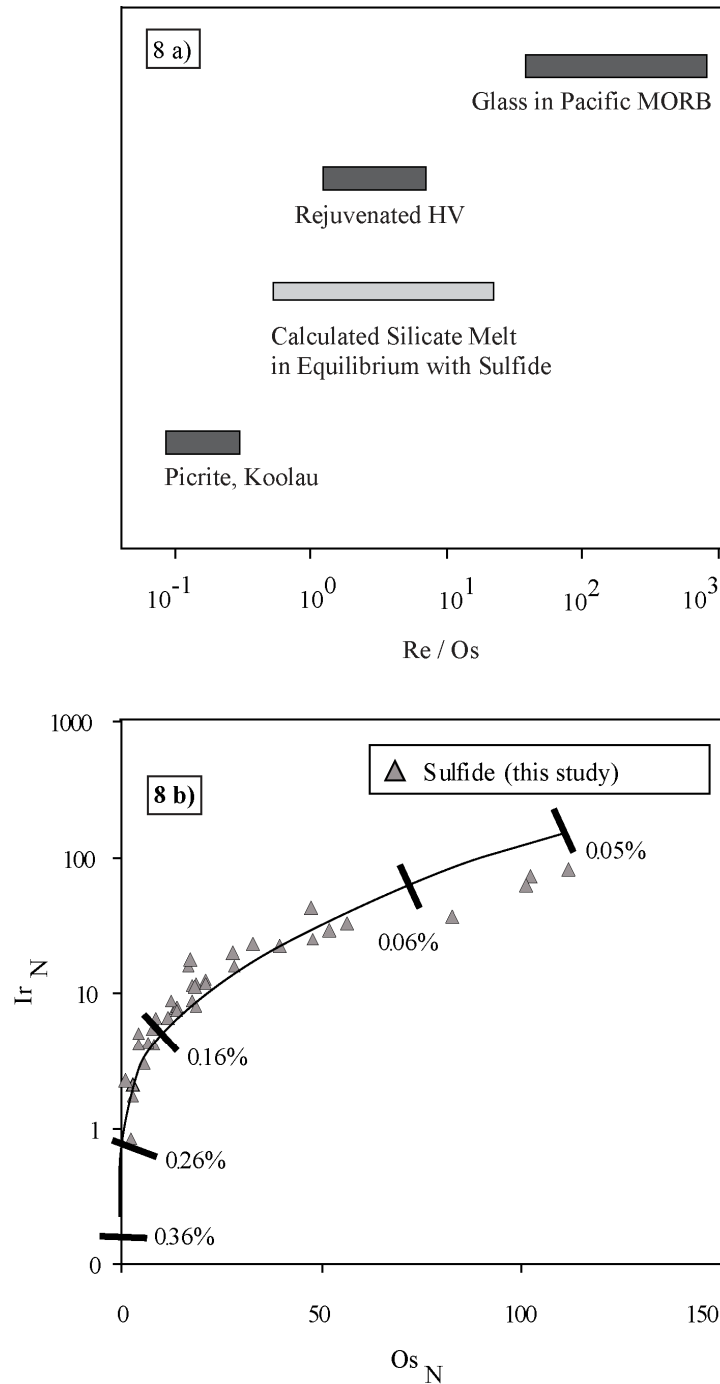
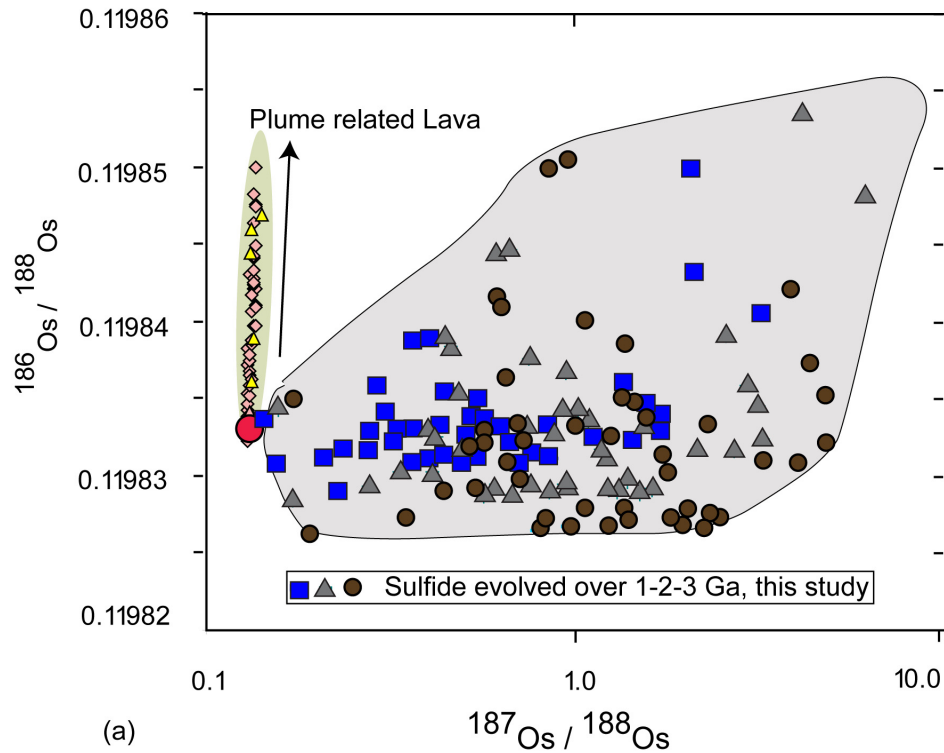


Figure 4.8 a) Variation of Re/Os ratios in silicate melt calculated in equilibrium with sulfides, compared with rejuvenated stage HV lavas (Lassiter et al., 2000), pristine Mid-Ocean-Ridge-glasses from Pacific ocean (Schiano et al., 1997), and picritic lavas from Koolau (Bennett et al., 2000; Ireland et al., 2009). A silicate melt in equilibrium with the pyroxenitic sulfides will be more akin to HV lavas, arguing for a genetic relationship between the two.

Figure 4.8 b) Os_N vs Ir_N concentrations in the pyroxenitic sulfides modeled as a function of sequential sulfide fractionation (N =Primitive mantle values from McDonough and Sun

1995). I used 0.3 ppb of Os in the parent silicate melt (highest concentration in HV lava data from Lassiter et al., (2000) and assumed chondritic Os/Ir ratios. From this melt I sequentially (0.05%, 0.06%, 0.16%, 0.26%, and 0.36%) fractionated and separated out immiscible sulfides and calculated the sulfide melt composition at each step. The variable and low abundances of PGE concentration in these sulfides can be explained 0.05% to 0.3% sulfide separation from a silicate melt.



(a) **Figure 4.9** $^{186}\text{Os} - ^{187}\text{Os}$ isotope systematics of 1-2-3 Ga evolved sulfides from the Hawaiian pyroxenites compared with reported high $^{186}\text{Os} - ^{187}\text{Os}$ plume derived lavas (picritic lavas and komatiites) (Brandon et al., 1998-99;). The sulfides are assumed to have chondritic $^{186}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ and $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratios at 1-2-3 Ga ago, calculated using present day $^{186}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os} = 0.119834$ and $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os} = 0.127$ (red circle), chondritic $^{190}\text{Pt}/^{188}\text{Os} = 0.001692$ and $^{187}\text{Re}/^{188}\text{Os} = 0.40186$, and decay constants $\lambda^{190}\text{Pt} = 1.417 \times 10^{-12}$ /year and $\lambda^{187}\text{Re} = 1.67 \times 10^{-11}$ /year (Brandon and Walker, 2005). The sulfides are then evolved to present day using the measured Pt/Os and Re/Os ratios. Our calculations show that these pyroxenitic sulfides will develop coupled radiogenic $^{186}\text{Os} - ^{187}\text{Os}$ compositions but at much shallower slope than observed in Hawaiian lavas and komatiites.

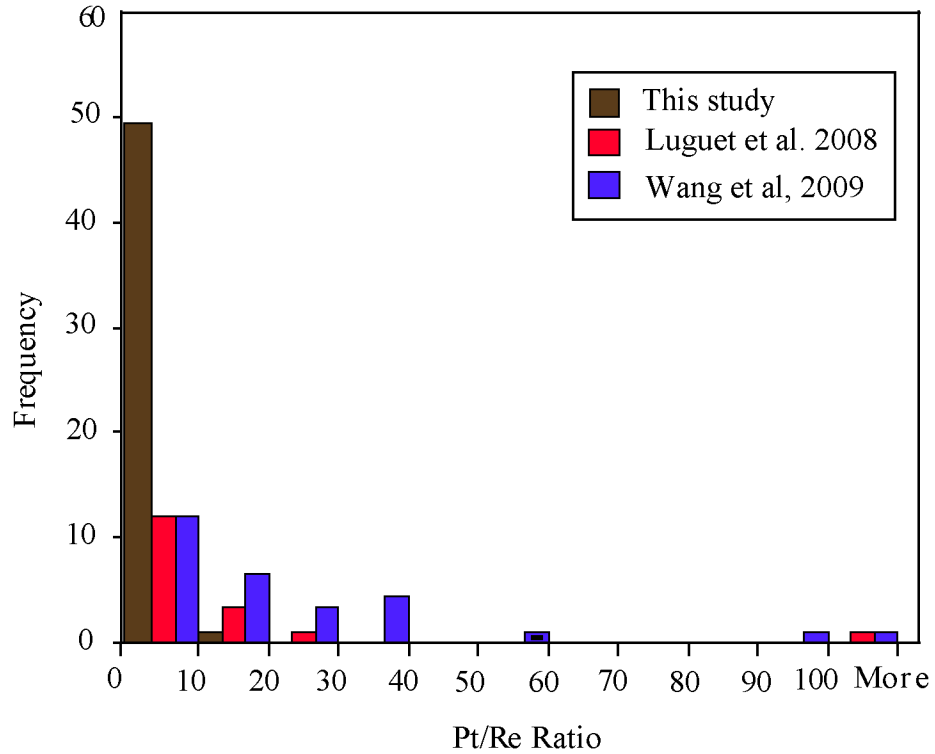


Figure 4.10 Variation of Pt/Re ratios in the Hawaiian pyroxenitic sulfides (this study) compared to sulfides from pyroxenites and eclogites, bulk rock pyroxenites (Luguet et al., 2008) and peridotites (Wang et al., 2009). It is evident that the vast majority of pyroxenitic and peridotitic sulfides have much lower Pt/Re ratio than the 88-100 Pt/Re range required to explain the coupled ^{186}Os - ^{187}Os isotope enrichments of Hawaiian lavas and komatiites.

CHAPTER 5

ORIGIN OF GARNET PYROXENITES IN THE HAWAIIAN MANTLE: INSIGHTS FROM PLATINUM GROUP ELEMENTS AND RHENIUM-OSMIUM ISOTOPES

5.1 Introduction

The Hawaiian-Emperor seamount chain is generally considered to be a classic example of deep seated plume volcanism (Wilson, 1963; Morgan, 1971; Li et al., 2000; Wolfe et al., 2009). Although, the plume theory has gained broad acceptance, our knowledge about the composition of the plume and how it works is still limited. For example, the $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ isotopic compositions of all Hawaiian lavas show that the plume taps a source enriched in radiogenic Os (Hauri and Kurz, 1997; Lassiter and Hauri, 1998; Brandon et al., 1998; Lassiter et al., 2000; Jamais et al., 2008; Ireland et al., 2009). However, the source of this radiogenic Os is not clear and several conflicting hypotheses, such as, input of Outer Core materials *versus* the presence of recycled oceanic crust in the source region of these lavas have been invoked. The other first order question that has been extensively discussed is how the Hawaiian plume interacts with the Pacific lithosphere (e.g., Class and Goldstein, 1997; Hauri and Kurz, 1997; Priestley and Tilmann, 1999; Ribe and Christensen, 1999; Li et al., 2004; Bizimis et al., 2007). Understanding plume-lithosphere interaction is important because such processes may contribute to the chemical make-up of plume derived lavas, and can metasomatize the deep oceanic lithosphere, which upon recycling, can introduce geochemical heterogeneity in the mantle (Niu and O'Hara, 2003; Workman et al., 2004).

Geochemical data have mostly relied on Re-Os isotopic investigation of mantle-derived magmas to understand plume-lithosphere interaction (Ellam et al., 1992; Martin

et al., 1994; Hauri and Kurz, 1997; Jamais et al., 2008). In this study I take a different approach to understand the composition of the plume and whether the plume is reacting with the overriding lithosphere. My approach involves detailed Re-Os isotope and highly siderophile element investigation of the garnet pyroxenite xenoliths from Oahu that appear to have come from the basal part of the Pacific lithosphere (e.g., Sen et al. 2005). Earlier studies have suggested that the pyroxenites xenoliths are high pressure cumulates (>16 Kb) from a melt similar to the rejuvenated stage HV lava series and as such, their chemical composition gives us a high resolution image of the mantle plume composition (e.g., Sen 1983, 1988; Bizimis et al., 2005; Keshav et al., 2007). Moreover, as these xenoliths are closer to the lithosphere-asthenosphere interface, it is reasonable to think that they would carry the strongest signal of any plume-lithosphere interaction. This study suggests that the pyroxenites are likely to be product of melt-mantle reaction, where the parental melt that crystallized the pyroxenites selectively picked up radiogenic Os from the grain boundary sulfides while percolating through the Pacific lithosphere.

5.2 Garnet Pyroxenite Xenoliths

There is a significant body of published information on petrography, mineral chemistry, trace element and isotope geochemistry of the SLC pyroxenite xenoliths (e.g., White 1966; Green 1966; Jackson and Wright 1970; Frey, 1980; Sen, 1988; Keshav and Sen, 2001; Bizimis et al., 2005; Sen et al., 2005; Keshav et al., 2007). On the basis of the available literature I summarize the possible origin of these rocks: (1) Based on mineral thermobarometry and the Sr-Nd-Hf isotope composition of the xenoliths, G. Sen and his co-workers proposed that the pyroxenites are high pressure (> 20 Kb) cumulates from a melt similar to the HV lava series (e.g., Sen et al. 1983; 2005; Bizimis et al. 2005;

Keshav et al. 2007). (2) The relatively radiogenic $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ compositions of the SLC pyroxenites, coupled with their low $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ ratios led Lassiter et al. (2000) to propose that they represent 80-100 Myr old cumulates formed at a mid oceanic ridge setting. (3) The presence of garnets with majoritic precursors (Keshav and Sen, 2001) and the discovery of nano-diamonds (Wirth and Rocholl, 2003) in some rare xenoliths have led to the suggestion that at least a few of these pyroxenites were brought up from some 180-270 km ($P = 6-9$ GPa) by the Hawaiian plume (Keshav and Sen 2001). Thus, with the exception of the few rare and deep fragments, there is a general consensus among the previous authors that the bulk of these pyroxenites formed as igneous veins in the deep lithosphere. Bizimis et al. (2005) showed that coexisting garnet-clinopyroxene pairs yielded essentially zero age isochrons and confirmed that these veins formed at or near Hawaii and not at a 90 Ma paleo-ridge.

5.3 Results

5.3.1 Bulk Rock Trace Element Systematics

Primitive mantle normalized trace element concentrations, as determined in this study, are plotted in Figure 5.1. This figure also shows a comparison with elemental concentrations of clinopyroxene and garnet separates from these rocks (source of data: Bizimis et al. 2005). It is apparent that, with the exception of Cs, Rb, and Ba, all elemental abundances in the bulk rock can be explained as a mixture of constituent garnet and clinopyroxene. While we cannot be absolutely certain, the higher values for Cs, Ba, and Rb may be attributed to the trace amounts of amphibole and phlogopite that occur in these rocks (e.g., Sen 1983, 1987, 1988).

The incompatible element (Cs, Rb, Ba, U, Th, Nb, Sr and Ta) concentrations in the bulk rock do not correlate with Mg# or Al₂O₃ content of clinopyroxenes. The REE and compatible element (Ni, Cr) content of the pyroxenites generally correlate with Mg# and Al₂O₃ content of the clinopyroxenes: the most Ni and Cr enriched samples have the highest Mg# and lowest REE and Al₂O₃ concentrations (Fig 5.2).

The analyzed xenoliths display a large range of S concentrations (0.01 – 0.28 wt.%; Table 5.1), reflecting the variable modal abundance of sulfides present in these rocks. The sulfide mineralogy and sulfide-silicate relationship has been reported in Sen et al. 2010. The S content of the bulk rock shows correlation with major element, trace element and isotope compositions of the bulk rock and the clinopyroxenes: the most S enriched samples have the highest Pd/Ir, Al₂O₃, ¹⁸⁷Os/¹⁸⁸Os and lowest Mg#, Ni and Cr concentrations. My mass balance calculation taking 37 wt.% of S in the sulfides shows that the pyroxenites contains 0.02 – 0.76 wt.% modal abundance of sulfides (Sen et al., 2010).

5.3.2 HSE Systematics

The HSE concentrations in the studied rocks (garnet pyroxenites ± olivine and websterites) are significantly depleted compared to primitive upper mantle composition (Becker et al., 2006). The absolute HSE concentrations show more than one order of magnitude variability, with relatively high concentrations of HSE in the websterites when compared to the pyroxenites. The concentration ranges for Hawaiian pyroxenites are similar to the published pyroxenite data from other localities (Kumar et al., 1996; Pearson and Nowell, 2004; Luguet et al., 2008; Acken et al., 2010), however the websterites seems to have a lower abundance of PGEs (Acken et al., 2010). The garnet pyroxenites

and websterites are enriched in Pd, Pt and Re relative to Os, Ir and Ru and show strong fractionation pattern (Pd/Ir ~3-24, Pd/Os~ 1-12) and very high Re /Os ratios (~2-49). The enrichment of Pd, Pt, Re over Os and Ir reflects a more melt like HSE pattern as observed in the lavas (Fig 5.3) (Bennett et al., 2000; Peucker-Ehrenbrink et al., 2003; Puchtel et al., 2004a; Puchtel et al., 2005a; Ireland et al., 2009;).

The PGE concentrations of the pyroxenites show positive correlations with each other (Fig 5.4), for example, good correlation exists between Os, Ir, Ru ($R^2 > 0.9$) and moderate correlation between Os and Pd ($R^2 = 0.6$). Platinum shows a strong positive trend with Ir, Os and Ru, however there are two samples (SL-571; 716) which have very high Pt content. Similar platinum enrichments have also been observed in peridotite xenoliths (Ackerman et al., 2009), basalts (Bennett et al., 2000) and pyroxenites (Maier et al., 2001; Luguet et al., 2008) and in these pyroxenitic sulfides (Sen et al., 2010), although the origin of the Pt enrichment in these samples is not currently understood.

Unlike the other siderophile elements Re is decoupled from the PGEs. Rhenium shows correlation with the modal abundance of garnet (not clinopyroxene), it seems likely that the Re abundance of the bulk rocks is a function of sulfide and garnet mode, unlike the PGEs which reflect only the variable mode of Fe-Ni sulfide phases present in these xenoliths (further discussed in section 5.3.3) (Sen et al., 2010). The absolute abundance of PGEs do not correlate with Mg# and Al_2O_3 content of the clinopyroxenes (Fig 5.5); however incompatible/compatible PGE ratios such as Pd/Os, Pd/Ir, Pd/Ru shows intra-correlations (not shown, Pd/Ir vs. Pd/Os $R^2 \sim 0.6$; Pd/Ir vs. Pd/Ru $R^2 \sim 0.72$) and correlations with major and trace element concentrations of clinopyroxenes and bulk

rock (Fig 5.6), consistent with the correlations reported in pyroxenites from ultramafic massif (Acken et al., 2010).

5.3.3 Sulfide Controls the PGE Budget of the Pyroxenites

The studied rock suite contains 0.02-0.76 wt.% modal abundance of sulfides (calculated on the basis of S content). The sulfides are interpreted as immiscible liquid separated from a silicate melt that crystallized the garnet and the clinopyroxenes (Sen et al., 2010). As the sulfide/silicate partitioning coefficients are very high (Crocket et al., 1997), it is reasonable to assume that the sulfide may be the major repository of HSEs in the pyroxenites. However the relation of sulfides to the PGE budget of the bulk rock at upper mantle conditions has never been explicitly performed, as in the case of peridotite which have been identified as a dominant PGE carrier in the Earth's mantle (Alard et al., 2000; Lorand and Alard, 2001).

In an effort to verify to what degree sulfides control the PGE and Re in the bulk rock pyroxenite, I carried out detailed mass balance calculations on 3 pyroxenites (SL-552, 744 and 559) for which both sulfide and bulk rock PGE data exists (Sen et al., 2010). In order to have an additional check on the recomputed sulfide weight fraction (calculated from S measurements), I performed rigorous Ni mass balance calculations between the constituent phases and the bulk rock to have a accurate estimation of the sulfide mode. Using the appropriate modes and concentration of Ni in the bulk rock and the other silicate phases, I calculate 0.42 - 0.74 wt. % of sulfide mode (Table 5.3a), which is near identical to the estimation from the S measurements.

I then use this abundance to calculate bulk rock PGE and Re concentrations using the range of PGE concentration reported in Sen et al. 2010, and assuming no PGE or Re

in the silicate phases. The calculated bulk rock Os and Ir values are within the measured range (Table 5.3b; Fig 5.7 a-c); however Pd and Pt distribution cannot be mass balanced in one of the samples. However since my in situ PGE data (Sen et al., 2010) were necessarily restricted to large sulfide grains ($> 50 \mu\text{m}$), the PGE dataset which I used to calculate the bulk rock compositions may be biased towards composition of large sulfide grains. It is conceivable that there are smaller Pd and Pt enriched sulfides grains in the studied rock that may contribute to the PGE budget of the bulk rock, and were missed during the previous LA-ICPMS investigation. I also note that the Pd/Ir and Re/Os ratio of the bulk rocks are systematically higher in some of these samples (Fig 5.7d)

The measured bulk rock Re abundance is significantly higher and well outside range of the calculated abundances (Fig.5.7). As Re is thought to be compatible in garnet (Righter et al., 1998), the “excess” Re in the bulk rock may reflect Re residence in garnet. There is a weak but positive correlation of Re concentration with the modal abundance of garnet ($R^2 \sim 0.5$; not shown) that supports the inferred compatibility of Re in garnet.

I think that my simplistic assumptions may be valid; sulfides are the major repository of PGE in the pyroxenites (and presumably the rest of my samples), and the Re budget of the rocks are primarily controlled by sulfide and garnet phases.

5.3.4 Osmium Isotope Systematics

The osmium isotope data of eleven selected garnet pyroxenites (Bizimis et al., 2005) are reported in Table 5.2. The $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratios vary from subchondritic to suprachondritic (0.1233-0.1643), similar to the previously published dataset of Lassiter et al. 2000. However, it is important to note that my dataset overlap that of the Lassiter et al. 2000 study and extends to less radiogenic $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratios. Sample number SL-571 is

the most unradiogenic sample (0.1233) of the suite and it falls below the estimates for depleted upper mantle (DMM: $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os} = 0.125\text{-}0.128$ (Snow and Reisberg, 1995; Brandon et al., 2000; Walker et al., 2002)), or primitive upper mantle (PUM: $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os} = 0.129$ (Meisel et al., 2001)) composition of the Earth.

The websterites have relatively unradiogenic Os (0.1233-0.1324) when compared to garnet pyroxenites (0.1334-0.1643) and $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ do not correlate with $^{187}\text{Re}/^{188}\text{Os}$ (Fig 5.8). Further more the bulk rock $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratios do not correlate with the Hf-Nd-Sr isotope compositions of clinopyroxenes (Bizimis et al., 2005), nor with bulk rock 1/Os ratios. However, Os isotope systematics show correlations with major element and trace element concentrations of clinopyroxenes (Bizimis et al., 2005) and the bulk rock (Fig 5.9); with the most radiogenic samples have the highest REE (e.g., Sm, Nd), HFSE (e.g., Zr, Hf), S, Pd/Ir, Al_2O_3 and lowest Mg# and Ni, Cr contents of clinopyroxenes and bulk rock (Fig 5.9).

5.4 Discussion

The key observations of this detailed geochemical study are: (1) pyroxenites show a large variation in $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratio from subchondritic to suprachondritic ratios (0.1233-0.1643) and its correlations with major element, trace element, PGE and S concentration. The correlations strongly suggest that the PGE and the Os isotopes reflect primary mantle processes. (2) $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratios do not correlate with other lithophile element isotopic systems (Rb-Sr, Sm-Nd and Lu-Hf) and also do not show any correlations with Re/Os nor with 1/Os. The lack of correlations between Os and Sr-Nd-Hf isotope systematics indicates that the Os is decoupled from other elements. Therefore, models that aims to

explain the origin of these garnet pyroxenites must be consistent with all these key observed features.

5.4.1 Origin of SLC Garnet Pyroxenites: MOR or Plume Related

Chondrite normalized PGE patterns in figure 5.3 shows that the pyroxenites have lower concentrations of Os and Ir relative to Pt and Pd. An Experimental study in the sulfide-silicate system by Bockrath et al. 2004 has shown that the platinum group element shows significant fractionation during mantle melting at upper mantle condition. In general, during silicate melt segregation Os, Ir and Ru behave as a compatible element and stays in the solid residue, while Pt, Pd and Rh behave as an incompatible element and are enriched in the basaltic melt fraction (Bockrath et al., 2004; Ballhaus et al., 2006;). The high Pd/Ir, Re/Os ratio (Table 5.2) of the pyroxenites are qualitatively similar to the patterns observed in lavas (OIB, MORB, komatiites (Bennett et al., 2000; Peucker-Ehrenbrink et al., 2003; Puchtel et al., 2004b; Puchtel et al., 2005b; Ireland et al., 2009) and consistent with an origin of pyroxenites as cumulates from a mantle melt. But whether this cumulates formed at a mid-ocean ridge setting or near the plume is not clear (Lassiter et al., 2000; Bizimis et al., 2005).

Based on the correlations of Re/Os with the suprachondritic $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratios (set of 5 samples) Lassiter et al. 2000 proposed that these cumulate may be tens of millions of years. The radiogenic Os was to the result of the ingrowth of ^{187}Os from ^{187}Re , while the pyroxenites remained stored in the lithosphere for 80-100 Myr, the approximate age of the ocean floor beneath Oahu. 80-100 Myr is sufficient for the pyroxenites to develop high $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratios, but insufficient to evolve significantly different Sr-Nd-Hf composition. So Lassiter's radiogenic ingrowth model can effectively explain the

correlations of Os isotope with major and trace element and the lack of correlations with other lithophile element isotopes. Lassiter et al. 2000 also proposed that the high Re content of the pyroxenites (average 0.6 ppb their study, 2.2 ppb this study) are consistent with their formation in a mid ocean ridge setting, because MORBs have a higher Re concentrations than the OIB (mean MORB Re = 0.926 ppb and mean OIB = 0.42 ppb (Ireland et al., 2009; Roy-Barman et al., 1998b; Schiano et al., 1997)). However combined Os and HSE data show that the pyroxenites I studied are related to the Hawaiian plume and not the MOR setting. The pyroxenites are plume related because (1) Chondrite normalized PGE patterns in Fig 3 shows that although the MORB and Hawaiian lavas have similar PGE patterns, the MORB has a much lower concentrations of PGEs when compared to the pyroxenites and the Hawaiian lavas. (2) The high Re concentration of the pyroxenites can be explained with the fractionation of garnet and sulfide which are of primary magmatic origin (Bizimis et al., 2005; Sen et al., 2010). Sattari et al. 2002 estimated a K_D (sulfide /silicate melt) of $3.3-5.2 \times 10^4$ and Righter et al. 1998 estimated K_D (garnet/silicate melt) of 2.7 for Re. Assuming the bulk rock contains 10% of garnet and 0.02% of sulfides (sample with the lowest modal abundance of sulfide, from the S data presented in Table 5.1) I calculated the bulk distribution coefficient $D_{Re} \sim 7$. Since the Re concentration in the pyroxenites ranges from 0.34- 4.2 ppb and assuming the $D_{Re} \sim 7$, I calculated the melt in equilibrium with these pyroxenites. My calculation shows that the Re concentrations in the parental melt will range from 0.05-0.6 ppb, which is much lower than the mean MORB Re concentration (0.926 ppb). It is important to note that increasing $X_{sulfide}$ in the fractionating assemblage will significantly increase the bulk D, for example, if $X_{sulfide} = 0.2$ wt.% the bulk D_{Re} will increase by ~ 60 . However, even

with increasing sulfide scenario, the melt that will be in equilibrium with the pyroxenites will have a Re concentrations even lower than the present estimate. Therefore, the high Re content of the pyroxenites can be explained with sulfide and garnet fractionation from a melt similar to the Hawaiian lavas, it does not require a Re concentrated parental melt similar to the MORB type lavas (3) No isochronous relationship exists between $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ and $^{187}\text{Re}/^{188}\text{Os}$. If these are 100 Myr cumulates then a correlation between Os isotopes and Re/Os ratio should be expected. However, I do not see any correlations between Os isotopes and Re/Os ratios (4) Rb/Sr, Sm/Nd and Lu/Hf isotope systematics does not support a MOR origin. Bizimis et al. 2005, showed that both two-mineral (pyroxene – garnet) Sm/Nd and Lu/Hf isochrons and reconstructed bulk – rock Hf-Nd isotope compositions of the SLC pyroxenites (albeit on a different set of samples than the Lassiter et al. 2000 study) are consistent with essentially “zero” age, i.e., the garnet pyroxenites formed beneath Oahu rather than close to a ridge or somewhere between the ridge and the location of the Hot Spot. Also, their Nd-Sr and Hf isotope compositions overlap with those of the HV lavas; and the calculated trace element composition of the melts in equilibrium with these pyroxenites are akin to HV-type rather than MORB-type melts (Frey, 1980; Sen et al., 1993; Keshav et al., 2004).

Based on the all the above arguments it is more likely that the pyroxenites are related to the Hawaiian plume. Although, it is reasonable to expect that the mafic melts may get arrested as “veins” in the lower lithosphere during upwelling of the mantle at the MOR setting, however it appears that none of these pyroxenites are related to the MOR setting.

5.4.2 “Fractional Crystallization”

The distinct trends between the major element, trace element and PGE (Fig 5.2, 5.6) in clinopyroxenes and bulk rock can be explained by fractional crystallization i.e., the concentrations of these elements reflect the composition of the parental melt from which the pyroxenites crystallized. However, it is unlikely that the pyroxenites being crystal fractionate from a single parental composition because of the significant Os isotope (0.123-0.164) variability in the pyroxenites, and secondly our calculation (Fig 5.10, calculation parameters in figure caption) shows that the large variability in the Pd/Ir ratio (4-24) for the pyroxenites cannot be simply explained with sulfide fractionation from a single evolving parental melt.

Figure 5.10 also shows that the Pd/Ir ratio of the Hawaiian picrite (Ireland et al., 2009) is lower than the post shield lava (Crocket, 2002), from figure 5.10 it seems that the Hawaiian picrites have seen more sulfide fractionation than the post shield lavas. However, if this is true the picrites should be depleted in the PGEs when compared to the Hawaiian post-shield lavas. Crocket, 2002 showed that the PGE concentrations in the alkali basalts from Hawaii are as much as eight times lower than the Hawaiian picrites. So I speculate the low PGE concentration of the post shield lava is a source feature, I further infer that it is likely that the parental melt which crystallized the pyroxenites are coming from a depleted source, which has been stripped of the PGEs in a prior melting event. Although the thought is speculative, it supports the evidence for a depleted component in Hawaiian volcanism (Bizimis et al., 2005).

5.4.3 “Plume-Lithosphere Interaction”

The variation in the Os isotope and its correlation with major and trace element concentration of clinopyroxene and bulk rock (Fig 5.9) can be a result of melt-mantle reaction at the base of the lithosphere. Mantle residue with low Re/Os develops less radiogenic $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$, while mantle melt with high Re/Os ratio develops more radiogenic $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$; so any interaction between these two components can produce variation in the Os isotopes. It is likely that melt from the Hawaiian plume with high Fe-REE-HFSE contents and radiogenic $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ is reacting with the 100 Ma Pacific lithosphere with unradiogenic $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$, and higher abundance of compatible elements like Os, Ir, Ru, Ni and Cr. With progressive reaction the mixed melt becomes richer in Cr-Ni-Os-Ir, and poorer in REE and HFSE, while $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratios become more unradiogenic. In other words, the pyroxenites may represent crystallized melts from different stages of this melt-mantle reaction process at the base of the lithosphere. This process however requires either that the Pacific lithosphere partially melts or it is consumed by the (presumably) hotter plume melt.

Several modeling attempts have been done to understand such interactions processes at the base of Pacific Lithosphere (Lassiter et al., 2000; Bizimis et al., 2005). Lassiter et al. 2000 calculated the mixing curves between the depleted mantle and plume mantle and their derived melts (Fig 5; in Lassiter et al. 2000). As the melts will have significantly higher Sr/Os ratio than the depleted mantle peridotite, it will produce hyperbolic mixing arrays. Such mixing scenario cannot produce the variability in the Os isotopes at a nearly identical Sr isotope composition.

The Hf-Nd isotope modeling between plume derived melt and 100 Ma Pacific lithosphere by Bizimis et al. 2005, also supports the lack of plume-lithosphere interaction. Bizimis et al. 2005 showed that in order to explain the Hf variability in these rocks (ϵ_{Hf} 12-18), inordinate amount of peridotite (>90 wt.%) must be added to the plume derived melt (Fig 11; in Bizimis et al. 2005). Such a large amount of peridotite assimilation is not conceivable, as Os in the mantle mineralogy does not allow more than few weight percent addition of lithospheric peridotite before the Os isotope composition becomes completely overprinted by that of peridotites (Hauri and Kurz, 1997). Thus from Os-Sr-Nd-Hf perspective it seems that the pyroxenites do not record any signal of melts from the Pacific lithosphere, as Os is decoupled from Sr-Nd and Hf isotopes.

The variation in Os isotopes and the reason for Os being decoupled from the other elements may be explained by preferential mobilization of sulfides during melt rock reaction. As the melting temperature of sulfides is much lower than that of the silicate (Ballhaus et al., 2006) phases, plume derived melt may pick up grain boundary sulfides (interstitial) while percolating through the Pacific lithosphere. Griffin et al. 2004 reported the presence of radiogenic Os in the interstitial sulfides ($^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ up to 1.6;), and it is known that sulfide metasomatism can significantly shift the bulk rock $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratios of bulk rock (Rudnick and Walker, 2009). However as the reported radiogenic grain boundary sulfides by Griffin et al. 2004 are from cratonic samples, one may reasonably argue against the presence of such radiogenic sulfide component in the Pacific lithosphere. But a more recent study by Alard et al. 2005 on the abyssal peridotites and ophiolites reports the variation in $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratios between interstitial and included sulfides. Alard et al. 2005 showed that within a single sample within oceanic mantle, the

interstitial sulfides can have much more radiogenic Os than the included sulfides. The interstitial sulfides can have $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratio as high as 0.167 (average $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratio for interstitial sulfides in abyssal peridotites and ophiolites are 0.142 ± 0.012 and 0.134 ± 0.005 respectively, while the included sulfides have less radiogenic values of 0.120 ± 0.003 and 0.119 ± 0.004 respectively). Also based on the Pd/Ir and $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ correlations, Alard et al. 2005 showed that these radiogenic interstitial sulfides are not inherited or affected by sea water alteration and represent a primary mantle signature.

At the present moment only bulk rock Os isotope data on the peridotite xenoliths are available (Bizimis et al., 2007). The peridotite xenoliths represent a 80-100 Myr depleted Pacific lithosphere (Bizimis et al., 2004). As the Os isotopic signature in the bulk rock can be fully accounted by the mixing of two magmatic sulfide populations (included and interstitial) (Alard et al., 2005), the radiogenic $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratios (0.1297) measured in these xenoliths (Bizimis et al., 2007) may indicate the presence of a sulfide component in the Pacific lithosphere with more radiogenic Os. As there are no reported Os isotope data on the sulfide populations within Hawaiian lithosphere, based on the Alard et al. 2005 and Griffin et al. 2004 study I think, it is reasonable to expect that the grain boundary sulfides may carry radiogenic Os within the Pacific lithosphere.

I envision the following process of plume-lithosphere interaction: the parental pyroxenite melt separate from its source either at the base of the lithosphere or even within the upwelling plume. As the parental melt percolates through the lithosphere it is preferentially mobilizing the radiogenic grain boundary Os and the mixed melt undergoes progressive fractionation of silicate and sulfide phases. Here, the high Mg#, Ni and Cr rich sample with less radiogenic $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratio represent cumulates which has seen the

least amount of radiogenic grain boundary Os while the sample with low Mg#, Ni and Cr depleted samples has entrained more radiogenic interstitial sulfides. This process of assimilation and fractional crystallization can effectively explain the correlations of Os isotopes with other lithophile elements, PGE ratios and it can also explain why Os is decoupled from other elements.

In order to quantify this process I try to model a mixing scenario, where the plume derived melt is preferentially picking up grain boundary sulfides from the Pacific lithosphere. Fig 5.11a shows the mixing line between depleted mantle derived melt and grain boundary sulfide (modeling parameters are given in the figure caption) and shows that limited (<0.05 wt.%) addition of radiogenic sulfide to the depleted mantle derived melt can effectively explain the range of Os isotope variability in these studied pyroxenites.

As the bulk rock pyroxenites (this study and Lassiter et al. 2000 study) shows a considerable scatter along the mixing line, one may argue that direct mixing of melts, in principle, should create a rigid linear mixing trends in the $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ vs. $1/\text{Os}$ space. However, as Os is highly compatible during sulfide fractionation (sulfide/silicate partition coefficient of the order of $\sim 10^3$ (Fleet et al., 1999)) I think that the original mixing trends, once created, are difficult to preserve because of the sulfide fractionation. Therefore, I argue that the scatter along the mixing line can be explained with progressive sulfide fractionation and removal of Os during sulfide fractionation.

I now model how much sulfide fractionation is required to explain this scatter in the $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ vs. $1/\text{Os}$ space. I used Pd/Ir ratio to quantify the process of sulfide fractionation; as relative to Ir, Pd is more compatible to sulfide melt. From the parental

melt composition (model parameters are discussed in figure caption) I sequentially separate 0.1 wt.% of sulfide using the sulfide/silicate partitioning coefficient from Fleet et al. 1999. Fig 5.11b shows that limited sulfide fractionation (~0.4 wt.%) from mixed parental melt (depleted mantle derived melt + radiogenic interstitial sulfides in the Pacific lithosphere) can explain the observed the range of Pd/Ir ratios in the pyroxenites and as Ir and Os has similar sulfide/silicate partitioning coefficient, similar fractionation can explain the scatter in the I/Os and $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ space.

I further calculated whether 0.4% S fractionation seems a reasonable estimation for what I should expect for an S saturated -sulfide fractionating magma. The North Arch and the Honolulu Volcanics are believed to be petrogenetically similar to the parental melt of the pyroxenites (Sen et al., 2005). Davis and Clague (2006) reported that deep, submarine alkalic glasses found in North Arch volcanic field on the seafloor on Hawaiian flexure contain 1800 ppm S. Assuming 1800 ppm of S in the parental melt of the pyroxenites, 1% crystallization of the melt (a valid assumption as the HV lavas are very primitive so it has suffered very little silicate fractionation) would produce 18 ppm of S over-saturation. As sulfides in these pyroxenites have (~38%) of S (Sen et al., 2010), removal of this 18 ppm of excess sulfur would produce 38 ppm of sulfides or ~0.4% of sulfides.

The above process can explain the variation in the Os isotopes and why it is decoupled from other lithophile elements. The data show that melts from the Hawaiian plume preferentially reacted with the Pacific lithosphere. I envision as melts from the Hawaiian plume percolate through the Pacific lithosphere they preferentially mobilize the grain boundary sulfides, and as a consequence Os gets decoupled from other elements. I

propose that the sampled pyroxenites essentially represent crystallized melts from different stages of this reaction process at the base of the lithosphere.

5.5 Recycled Pyroxenites: Implication for the ^{186}Os - ^{187}Os of Hawaiian Lavas

Geochemistry and seismic studies suggest that the Hawaiian plume originate at the core-mantle boundary (CMB) (Helmberger et al., 1998; Humayun et al., 2004; Montelli et al., 2004), but whether or not the Hawaiian plume is entraining materials from the outer core is a subject of debate. This latest idea of core-mantle exchange came from an observation that, some Hawaiian picrites are unusually enriched in radiogenic ^{186}Os and ^{187}Os isotopes.

The outer core is considered as a major repository of radiogenic Os; as with the crystallization of the inner core, the outer core has likely developed a higher Pt/Re (~ 62) ratio relative to Chondrite and the Earth's mantle (Brandon et al., 1999). This conclusion is based on the assumption that Re-Os-Pt strongly partitions between solid metal and liquid metal in the Earth's core (Lauer et al., 1998; Walker 2000) in a similar manner to their partitioning behavior in asteroidal cores, where $D_{\text{Os}} > D_{\text{Re}} > D_{\text{Pt}}$ (D =solid metal/liquid metal bulk distribution coefficient (Cook et al., 2004) . Based on the empirical and experimental results Brandon and colleagues (Brandon et al., 1998, 2003) first proposed that the coupled enrichments in $^{186}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ - $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ isotopes observed in some Hawaiian picrites and komatiites are the result of contributions of the outer core, where it is proposed that the plume originating at CMB is entraining outer core material. However, study of pyroxenites and metasomatized sulfides from the famed Beni Bousera massif in Morocco disputes the role of outer core and instead suggests that the coupled enrichment of ^{186}Os - ^{187}Os in oceanic basalts can be explained by bulk rock pyroxenites

plus their sulfides (Luguet et al., 2008). Luguet et al. 2008 suggests that the pyroxenites plus their sulfides can have high enough Pt/Os and Re/Os ratios that upon recycling and aging can generate the enriched osmium isotope signatures observed in plume derived lavas, thereby removes the requirement for core-mantle exchange in explaining radiogenic Os in plume derived lavas. In contrast, a recent study of pyroxenites layers in the Totalp ultramafic massif (Swiss Alps) shows that the pyroxenites do not possess the requisite Pt-Re-Os composition to explain the coupled enrichment of $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ and $^{186}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratios recorded in plume derived lavas. The new HSE data on the SLC pyroxenites from the present day oceanic upper mantle gives us a unique opportunity to test the pyroxenite recycling hypothesis as a source for the coupled $^{186}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ - $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ enrichments in the mantle.

I have already shown that recycling of mantle sulfides of pyroxenitic parentage is unlikely to explain the enriched Pt-Re-Os isotope systematics of plume-derived lavas (Sen et al., 2010) and here I explicitly test the role of recycled pyroxenites in the generation of ^{186}Os - ^{187}Os enrichment in oceanic basalts (Brandon et al., 1998; Brandon et al., 1999) .

Using the measured Pt/Os and Re/Os ratios of these pyroxenites I calculated the range of $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ and $^{186}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ compositions that these pyroxenites could develop by “ageing” them over 1, 2 and 3Ga from a chondritic earth and assuming the ratios will not change during the recycling process. Figure 5.12 shows the “aged” compositions of all the pyroxenites and it is compared with the $^{186}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ - $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ enriched Hawaiian lavas and komatiites. These pyroxenites upon aging can generate relatively radiogenic $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ and $^{186}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratios, but do not generate the steep array required by the

ocean basalts (Fig. 5.12). Out of the 12 samples, only SL-716 and SL-571 can generate a steep array in the $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ - $^{186}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ space, however, it is not steep enough to overlap the Hawaiian lavas and komatiites field.

Brandon et al., 1999 calculated that in order to produce the steep slope of the Hawaiian picrites in $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ vs. $^{186}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ isotope space, their source should have a Pt/Re ratio of 88-100 (Brandon et al., 1999). The pyroxenites analyzed here have a Pt/Re range from 0.12 to 13, with only one sample with a Pt/Re ratio of 77 (Table 5.2). It is also important to note that none of the 23 pyroxenites reported by Acken et al. 2010 has a Pt/Re ratio > 15 and out of the 11 samples, only one sample (GP 87T) in the Luguet et al., 2008b study has a high enough Pt/Re ratio (~ 115) that can generate the observed $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ vs. $^{186}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ enrichments in plume lavas. Therefore, it seems very unlikely that the pyroxenites may possess a very high Pt/Re ratio (> 88). Based on the present dataset I suggest that most recycled mantle-derived pyroxenites and perhaps eclogites do not possess the requisite Pt/Re ratio to generate, over time, the coupled enrichment of $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ and $^{186}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratios in plume derived lavas. Therefore an outer core contribution to the Hawaiian and other komatiite plume volcanism may still be the strongest hypothesis.

The only possible workaround to the low Pt/Re ratios of the pyroxenites would be the fortuitous involvement of Pt-rich alloys in the source of these plume lavas, in addition to a pyroxenitic component. The Pt-rich alloys from the Josephine ophiolite have extremely high Pt/Re ratios ($> 10,000$, Luguet et al., 2008) and will generate over time very radiogenic $^{186}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratios. Mixing of high $^{186}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratios with the pyroxenite-generated high $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ could theoretically produce the required radiogenic

$^{186}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ - $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ end member seen in the Hawaiian and komatiite lavas. While such a fortuitous scenario may be theoretically possible, I consider how likely it could be, especially when the distribution of Pt-rich alloys in the mantle is virtually unknown and considering the Ireland et al. (2009) arguments that such a high Pt/Re source is not compatible with the PGE contents of the Hawaiian lavas, at least.

5.6 Summary

The radiogenic to unradiogenic variability in the $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratios and their correlation with PGE ratios, major and trace elements suggests that the Os signature of the pyroxenites reflect a primary magmatic process. To explain the large variability in the $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratios I propose that the plume-derived magma (similar to the HV lavas) is picking up radiogenic osmium along the grain boundaries of the peridotites, as it percolates through the Pacific lithosphere. I conclude that the sulfides get preferentially mobilized during the melt-rock reaction because of their low melting temperature. Such preferential mobilization of sulfide is conceivable to explain the large $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ variation in the pyroxenites and also explains why Os is decoupled from the other elements. The sampled pyroxenites essentially represent crystallized melts from different stages of this reaction process at the base of the lithosphere. These metasomatized pyroxenites do not have the requisite Pt/Re ratio to generate enriched ^{186}Os - ^{187}Os isotope signature observed in some Hawaiian picrites and komatiites.

Table 5.1 Bulk Rock Trace Element Concentrations (ppm) and Sulfur (wt. %)

Sample	552	553	555	559	714	716	744	590	594	620	571	776	BIR -1 Meas.	BIR-1 Report	BHVO-2 Std
Rock Type	a	a	a	a	a	a	a	b	b	b	c	c			
Cpx*	95% (0.69)	85% (0.76)	80% (0.77)	85% (0.77)	80% (0.75)	95% (0.80)	60% (0.68)	80% (0.78)	85% (0.78)	75% (0.80)	75% (0.84)	50% (0.84)			
Al ₂ O ₃ †	7.29	5.96	6.87	7.39	6.34	5.69	7.40	6.70	6.51	6.52	5.06	6.03			
Gt*	5% (0.62)	5% (0.61)	20% (0.68)	15% (0.65)	20% (0.63)	3% (0.70)	40% (0.62)	15% (0.67)	10% (0.69)	20% (0.68)	5% (0.75)				
Opx*		10% (0.78)				5% (0.78)		2% (0.79)	5% (0.79)	5% (0.81)	20% (0.84)	50% (0.84)			
Cs	0.05	0.01	0.00	0.06	0.01	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.10
Rb	13.17	0.96	0.80	3.86	1.47	1.18	0.95	1.02	0.62	1.92	0.58	0.38	0.20	0.20	9.11
Ba	273.1	75.73	15.13	134.10	47.38	132.67	46.72	58.30	34.93	64.01	14.95	4.78	6.30	7.14	131.0
Th	0.22	0.26	0.20	0.23	0.09	0.08	0.12	0.11	0.15	0.28	0.09	0.08	0.03	0.03	1.22
U	0.09	0.07	0.06	0.09	0.04	0.03	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.16	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.40
Nb	5.43	2.61	1.01	1.99	0.86	0.81	0.84	0.45	0.77	1.85	0.62	0.91	0.51	0.55	18.10
Ta	0.43	0.18	0.13	0.11	0.09	0.08	0.10	0.10	0.06	0.19	0.06	0.06	0.04	0.04	1.14
La	2.86	3.16	2.39	3.33	1.60	1.99	1.81	1.90	1.86	3.19	1.29	1.08	0.67	0.62	15.20
Ce	8.13	6.97	6.50	7.52	4.71	4.02	5.79	6.11	4.72	8.45	3.52	3.11	2.01	1.92	37.50
Pb	0.47	0.42	0.16	0.50	0.29	0.12	0.08	0.62	0.28	0.47	0.18	0.25	2.54	3.10	1.70
Pr	1.36	1.02	1.07	1.26	0.80	0.70	1.04	1.04	0.75	1.23	0.60	0.49	0.37	0.37	5.35
Sr	689.9	225.5	140.3	238.7	90.0	472.4	84.8	104.0	63.1	128.0	53.5	37.8	106.9	109.0	396.0
Nd	7.54	5.03	5.65	6.61	4.32	3.93	6.04	5.37	3.96	5.99	3.40	2.56	2.37	2.38	24.50
Zr	60.88	31.18	32.07	24.29	25.85	19.76	46.88	22.88	15.21	26.15	11.20	13.24	13.89	14.00	172.00
Hf	2.43	1.02	1.08	1.03	1.11	0.77	1.83	0.73	0.67	0.85	0.55	0.48	0.58	0.58	4.36
Sm	2.69	1.63	1.77	2.22	1.53	1.41	2.23	1.62	1.30	1.79	1.23	0.85	1.08	1.12	6.07
Eu	1.09	0.63	0.65	0.85	0.59	0.58	0.87	0.60	0.48	0.67	0.45	0.31	0.51	0.53	2.07
Ti	16315	4006	4815	4723	6315	3990	6406	3164	3398	3613	2967	2395	5159	5600	16300
Gd	3.62	2.10	2.00	2.69	1.65	1.86	2.82	1.80	1.63	2.10	1.44	1.01	1.78	1.87	6.24
Tb	0.53	0.33	0.29	0.43	0.28	0.30	0.45	0.27	0.23	0.35	0.23	0.16	0.33	0.36	0.92

Dy	3.16	2.14	1.66	2.58	1.63	1.86	2.75	1.53	1.42	2.20	1.37	0.95	2.54	2.51	5.31
Ho	0.55	0.41	0.29	0.48	0.29	0.36	0.51	0.28	0.25	0.41	0.24	0.17	0.56	0.56	0.98
Y	14.13	10.68	7.48	12.39	7.18	9.57	13.19	7.09	6.45	10.86	6.24	4.50	15.33	15.60	26.00
Er	1.29	1.11	0.72	1.20	0.70	0.93	1.30	0.69	0.62	1.07	0.60	0.45	1.69	1.66	2.54
Yb	0.93	0.91	0.52	0.90	0.48	0.70	1.02	0.53	0.45	0.82	0.42	0.36	1.62	1.65	2.00
Lu	0.13	0.13	0.07	0.12	0.06	0.10	0.14	0.07	0.06	0.11	0.05	0.05	0.24	0.25	0.27
Sc	20.98	32.60	29.41	27.69	21.68	27.36	21.46	26.96	26.09	30.26	30.61	20.17	41.64	43.00	32.00
V	389.7	279.5	316.4	297.1	305.3	262.3	283.2	215.0	247.4	269.1	243.1	166.2	307.3	319.0	317.0
Cr	444.3	1072.2	907.0	912.1	990.7	1100.7	304.7	2311.7	1741.9	1447.8	2337.2	2349.4	363.6	391.0	280.0
Co	70.07	62.45	60.16	59.16	71.49	57.49	78.90	61.00	57.85	60.90	50.67	51.29	50.43	52.0	45.00
Ni	341.3	434.26	488.64	473.54	501.61	486.32	490.22	711.90	615.61	635.77	565.61	572.78	159.8	166.0	119.0
Cu	74.34	126.53	63.12	152.67	77.78	90.88	101.17	74.11	111.73	97.58	45.35	44.52	114.9	119.0	127.0
Zn	26.22	37.12	38.14	24.66	48.40	33.85	33.20	43.12	23.69	36.15	20.80	23.84	41.12	72.0	103.0
Ga	17.51	12.80	14.00	13.24	15.59	12.16	14.86	10.45	9.83	15.00	9.26	6.70	15.46	15.3	22.0
Cd	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.03	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.02	0.03	0.10	0.06
Sn	1.23	0.35	0.47	0.62	0.66	0.36	1.14	0.52	0.35	0.41	0.28	1.49	0.67	0.60	1.70
Sulfur	0.188	0.028	0.117	0.118	0.117	.009	0.281	0.102	0.06	0.054	0.04	0.044			

Note: Mg# = Mg/(Mg+Fe) and Al₂O₃ data from Bizimis et al. (Bizimis et al., 2005) and SL-594 from Sen et al. (Sen et al., 2010)

a - garnet pyroxenite; b -olivine bearing garnet pyroxenite; c -websterite

* Mode wt.%. (Mg#); All the samples have a prefix of 77 SL-; † Concentration in Clinopyroxene (wt. %.)

Table 5.2 Bulk Rock HSE Concentrations (ppb) and Os Isotope Ratios

Sample No.	HSE in Bulk Rock						Pd/Ir	Re/Os	Pt/Re	¹⁸⁷ Os/ ¹⁸⁸ Os	2 σ
	Os	Ir	Ru	Pt	Pd	Re					
552	0.24	0.12	0.45	1.73	2.75	2.69	23.8	11.4	0.64	0.1643	7
553	0.02	0.04	0.08	0.18	0.16	0.66	4.0	32.8	0.27	n.d.	
555	0.08	0.05	0.08	0.68	0.35	4.18	7.6	49.3	0.16	0.1464	7
559	1.19	0.35	1.37	8.17	3.51	2.16	10.0	1.8	3.78	0.1556	6
714	0.29	0.09	0.63	1.51	0.82	2.02	8.8	7.1	0.75	0.1334	9
716	0.08	0.04	0.14	26.21	0.15	0.34	3.6	4.1	76.55	0.1361	36
744	0.21	0.09	0.20	1.04	1.29	3.88	15.0	18.3	0.27	0.1535	51
590	0.95	0.62	1.19	3.85	2.41	2.47	3.9	2.6	1.56	0.1362	1
594	0.68	0.43	1.21	3.44	4.20	2.91	9.7	4.3	1.18	0.1540	12
620	0.52	0.35	0.74	2.17	1.27	2.26	3.6	4.4	0.96	0.1401	21
571	0.24	0.07	0.26	19.92	0.28	1.51	4.3	6.2	13.18	0.1233	8
776	0.66	0.42	0.99	2.88	3.44	1.11	8.3	1.7	2.59	0.1324	2

All sample have the prefix of 77 SL-

^a Errors on measurements are 2 σ on the last significant digit for Os

Table 5.3 A Sulfide Mode Calculation

Sample No.	Phases	Bulk Rock	Clinopyroxene	Phlogopite*	Garnet	Sulfide
SL-552	(Ni) ppm	341	139	820	30	47000
	Mode		94%	1%	5%	0.42% [‡]
SL-744	(Ni) ppm	490	169	0	23.4	51400
	Mode		60%	0%	40%	0.74% [‡]
SL-559	(Ni) ppm	473.5	201	0	30	58900
	Mode		85%	0%	15%	0.51% [‡]

[‡] Modal Abundance of sulfide obtained by mass balancing Ni between bulk rock and its constituent phases.

Table 5.3 B Mass Balance for HSE

	Sulfides	Os	Ir	Pt	Pd	Re
SL-552	ppm (range)	0.01-0.32	0.01-0.19	0.03-0.65	0.1-1.01	0.19-0.44
SL-744	ppm (range)	0.01-0.06	0.003-0.04	0.03-0.13	0.06-0.21	0.14-0.41
SL-559	ppm (range)	0.06-1.22	0.03-1.38	0.02-0.21	0.09-0.35	0.29-0.44
SL-552	BR Calculated (ppb)	0.04-1.35	0.03-0.82	0.14-2.71	0.42-4.23	0.8-1.85
	BR Measured (ppb)	0.24	0.12	1.73	2.75	2.69
SL-744	BR Calculated (ppb)	0.06-0.46	0.02-0.28	0.2-0.96	0.41-1.52	1.03-3.03
	BR Measured (ppb)	0.21	0.09	1.04	1.29	3.88
SL-559	BR Calculated (ppb)	0.3-6.2	0.13-6.99	0.11-1.07	0.44-1.77	1.48-2.24
	BR Measured (ppb)	1.19	0.35	8.17	3.51	2.16

Ni content in Cpx and Garnet from Bizimis et al. 2005 and unpublished dataset for phlogopite; BR - Bulk Rock

Major and PGE concentrations for sulfides are from Sen et al. 2010

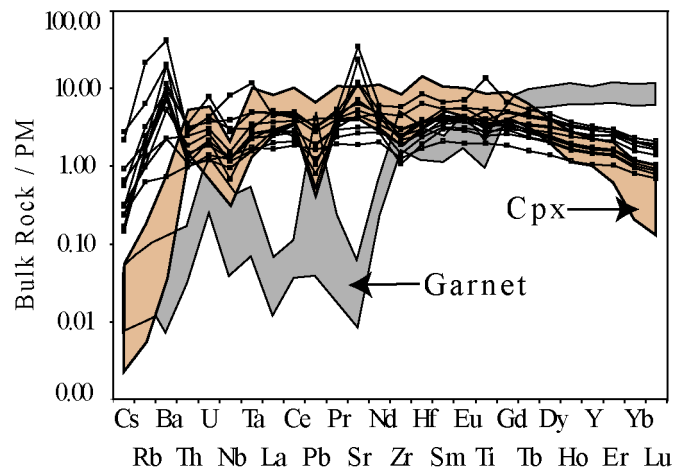


Figure 5.1 Primitive mantle normalized trace element concentrations in the bulk rock compared with concentrations in clinopyroxene and garnet concentrations from Bizimis et al. 2005. Primitive mantle normalization values from McDonough and Sun 1995.

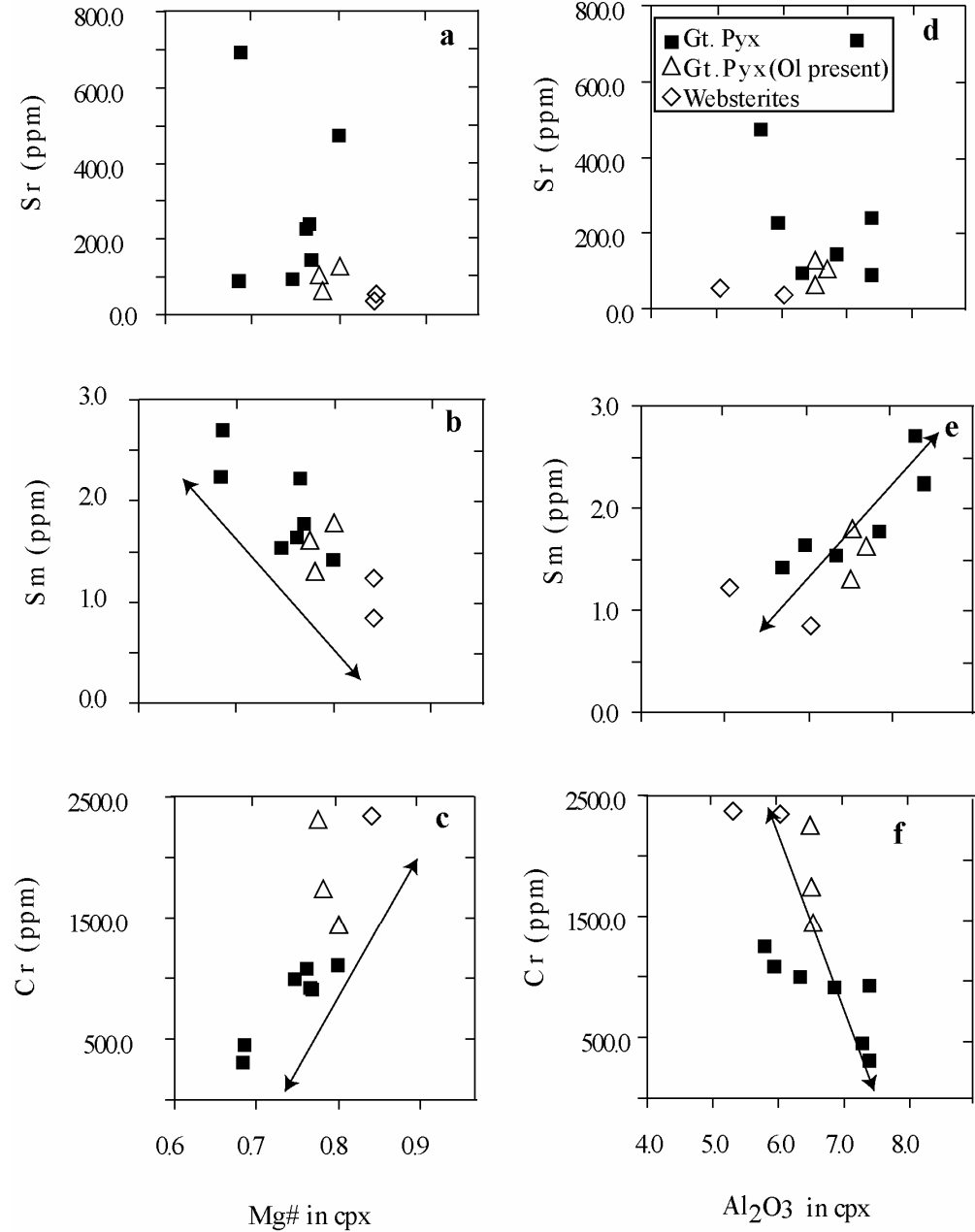


Figure 5.2 Mg number (Mg/ Mg + Fe) and Al₂O₃ content in clinopyroxenes vs. Sr, Sm and Cr content of the bulk rock. Double headed arrows show strong correlation between Mg#, Al₂O₃ and Sm, Cr.

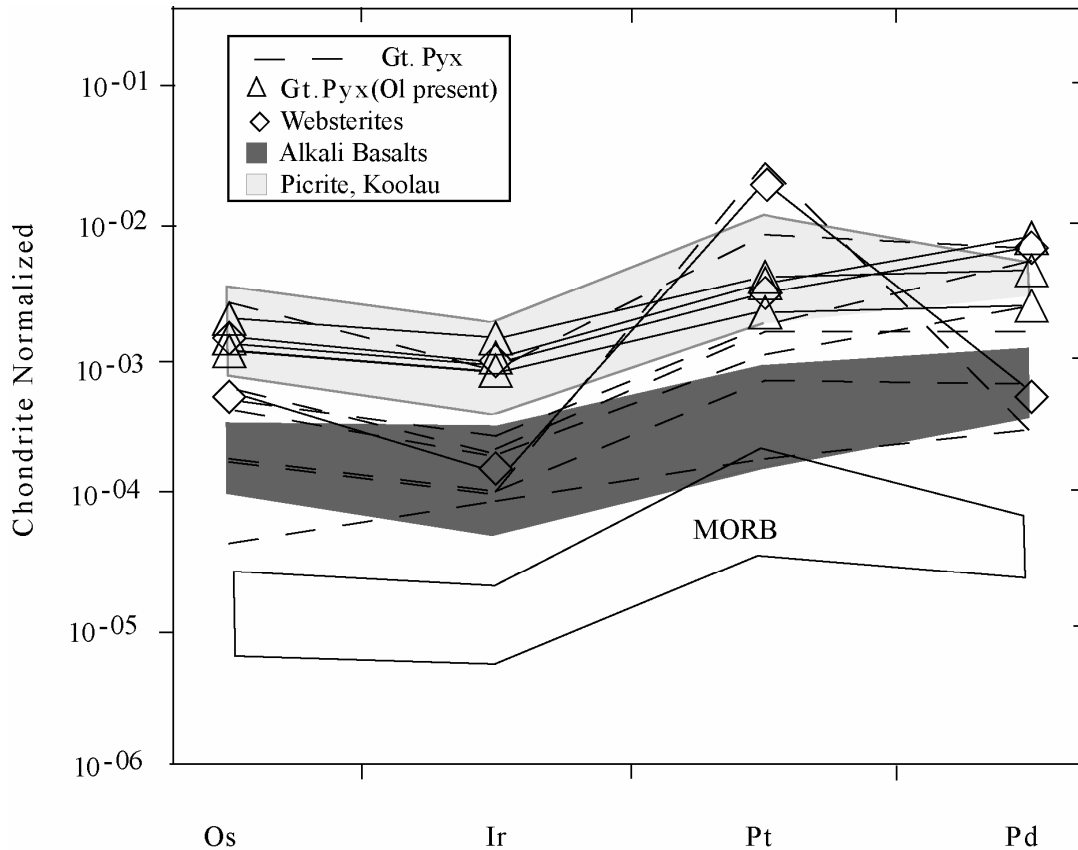


Figure 5.3 Chondrite normalized PGE pattern of garnet pyroxenites \pm olivine and websterites. Dark grey area, alkali basalts from Maui, Hawaii (Crocket, 2002); light grey area, picritic lava from Koolau, Hawaii (Ireland et al., 2009); MORB field is based on the data reported in Tatsumi et al. 1999 and Schiano et al. 1997 for Pacific MORB). The garnet pyroxenites and the websterites have similar chondrite normalized PGE pattern with the enrichment of Pt and Pd over Os and Ir. In general, relative to the Pacific MORB, the pyroxenites have higher concentration of all the PGEs. CI normalized values from McDonough and Sun (McDonough and Sun, 1995)

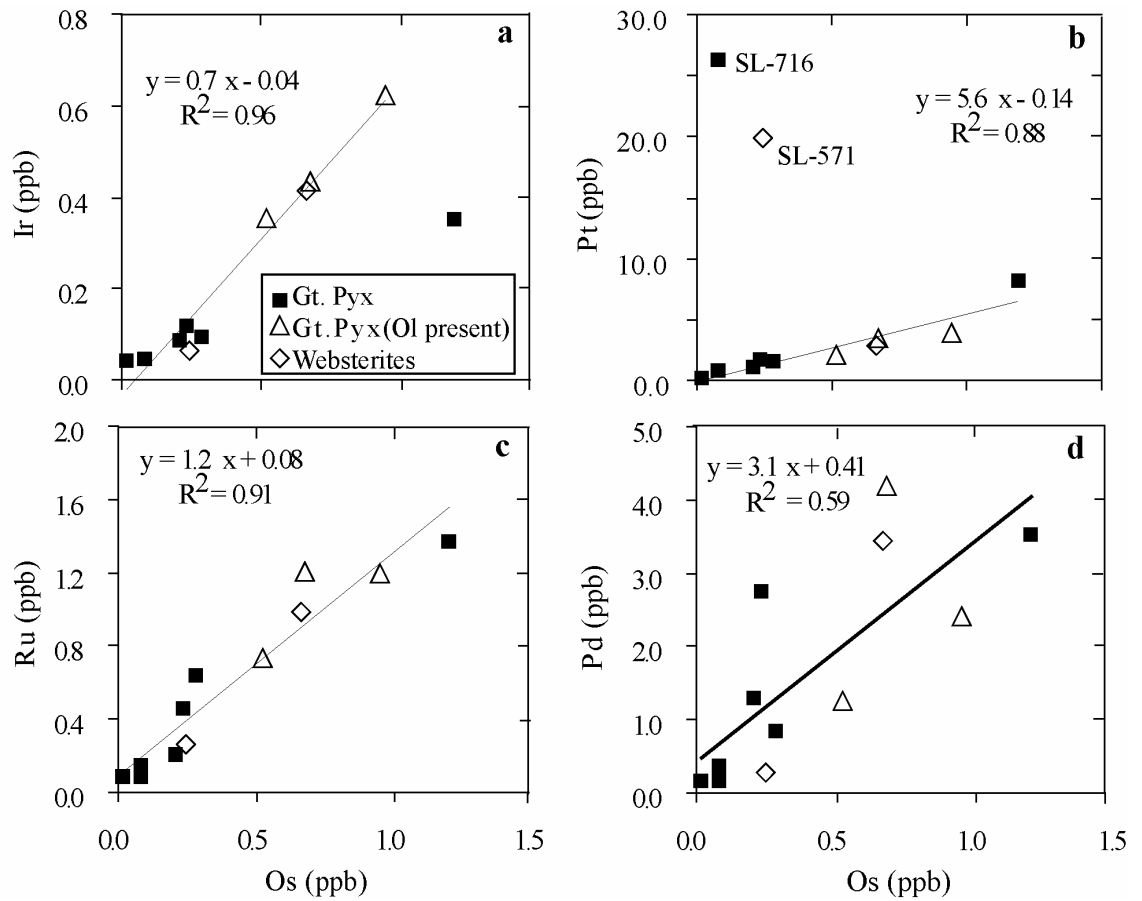


Figure 5.4 Plots of PGE abundances with Os concentration in bulk rocks. The sample shows strong PGE intra-correlations, likely reflecting variable modal abundance of sulfides. Gt Pyx and Ol are abbreviations for garnet pyroxenite and olivine respectively, and the error bars are smaller than the sample size. Filled square, garnet pyroxenites; open triangle, olivine bearing (1~5 wt.%) garnet pyroxenites; open diamonds, websterites.

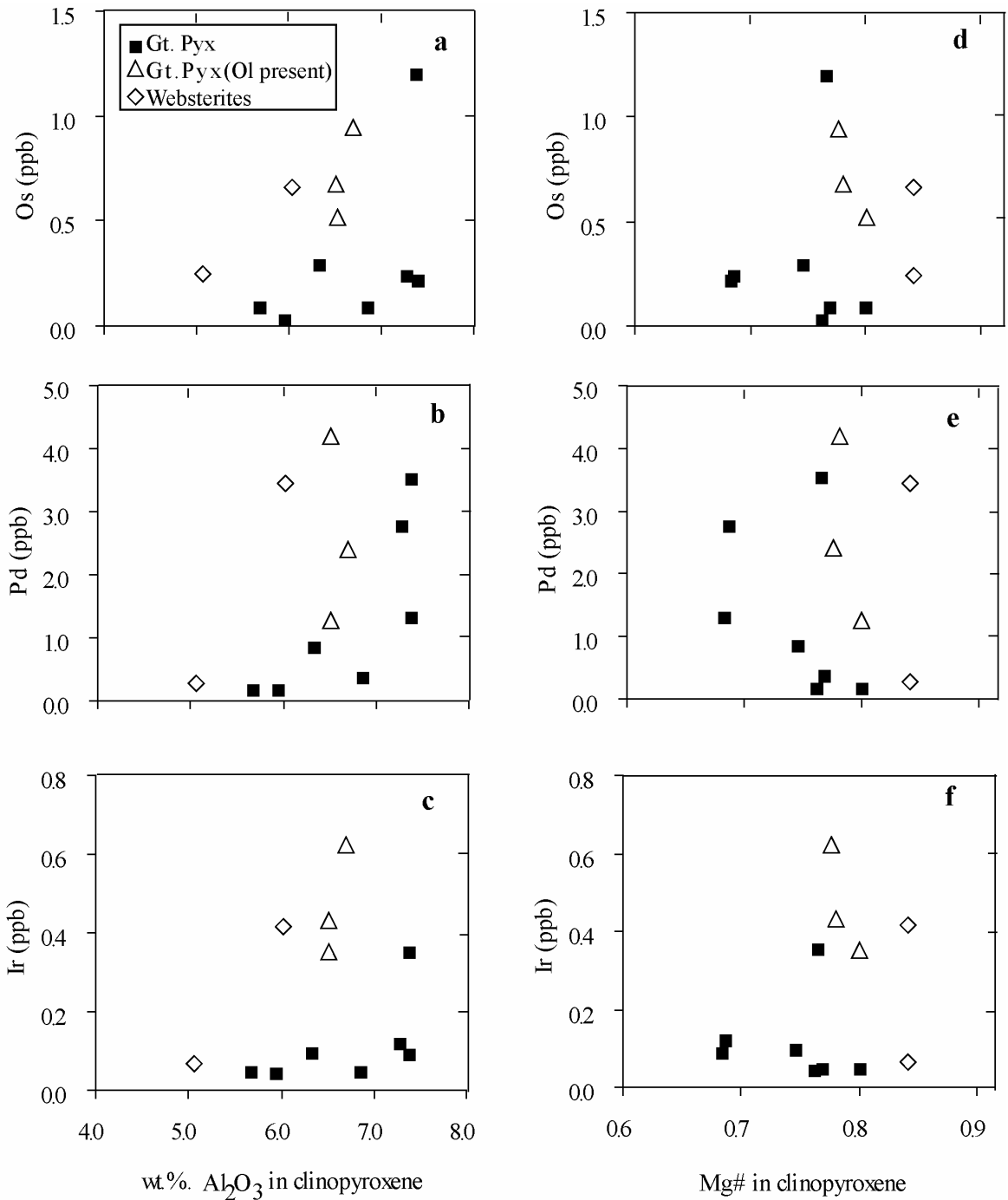


Figure 5.5 Plots of PGE abundances in bulk rock vs. Al₂O₃ and Mg# (Molar Mg/ Mg + Fe_{Total}) of clinopyroxenes. Bulk rock PGE data are from this study and most of the major element data for clinopyroxene from Bizimis et al. 2005 and SL-594 from Sen et al. 2010 (Supplementary table A3). The major element content of clinopyroxene shows no correlation with PGE contents.

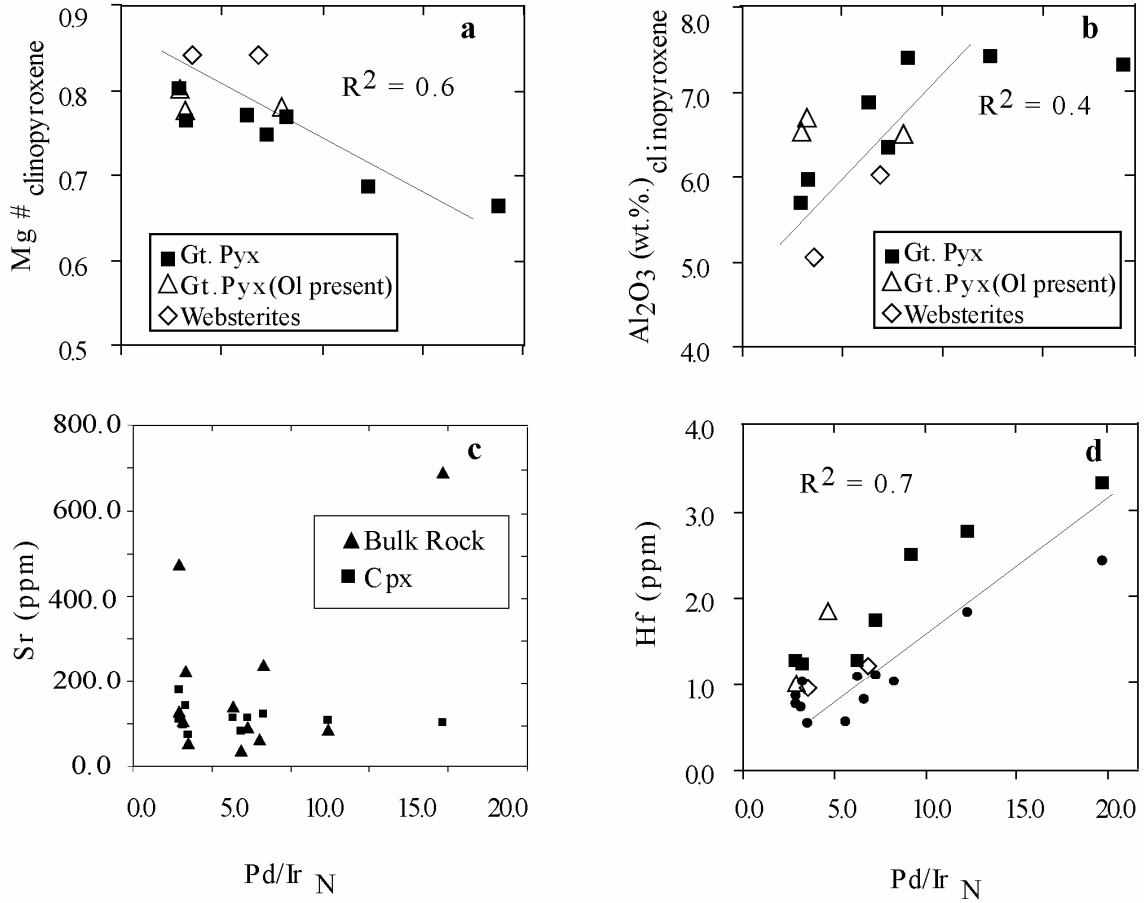


Figure 5.6 (a-d): Plots of CI normalized Pd/Ir ratio of the bulk rock vs. major and trace element content of clinopyroxenes and bulk rocks. Elemental data for clinopyroxenes are from Bizimis et al. 2005. The Pd/Ir_N ratio of the bulk rock shows positive correlation with Al₂O₃, Hf and negative correlations with Mg#. Pd/Ir ratios do not show any correlations with incompatible element content of the bulk rock or clinopyroxenes. The solid circles in Fig 6d are bulk rock data. CI normalized values from McDonough and Sun 1995.

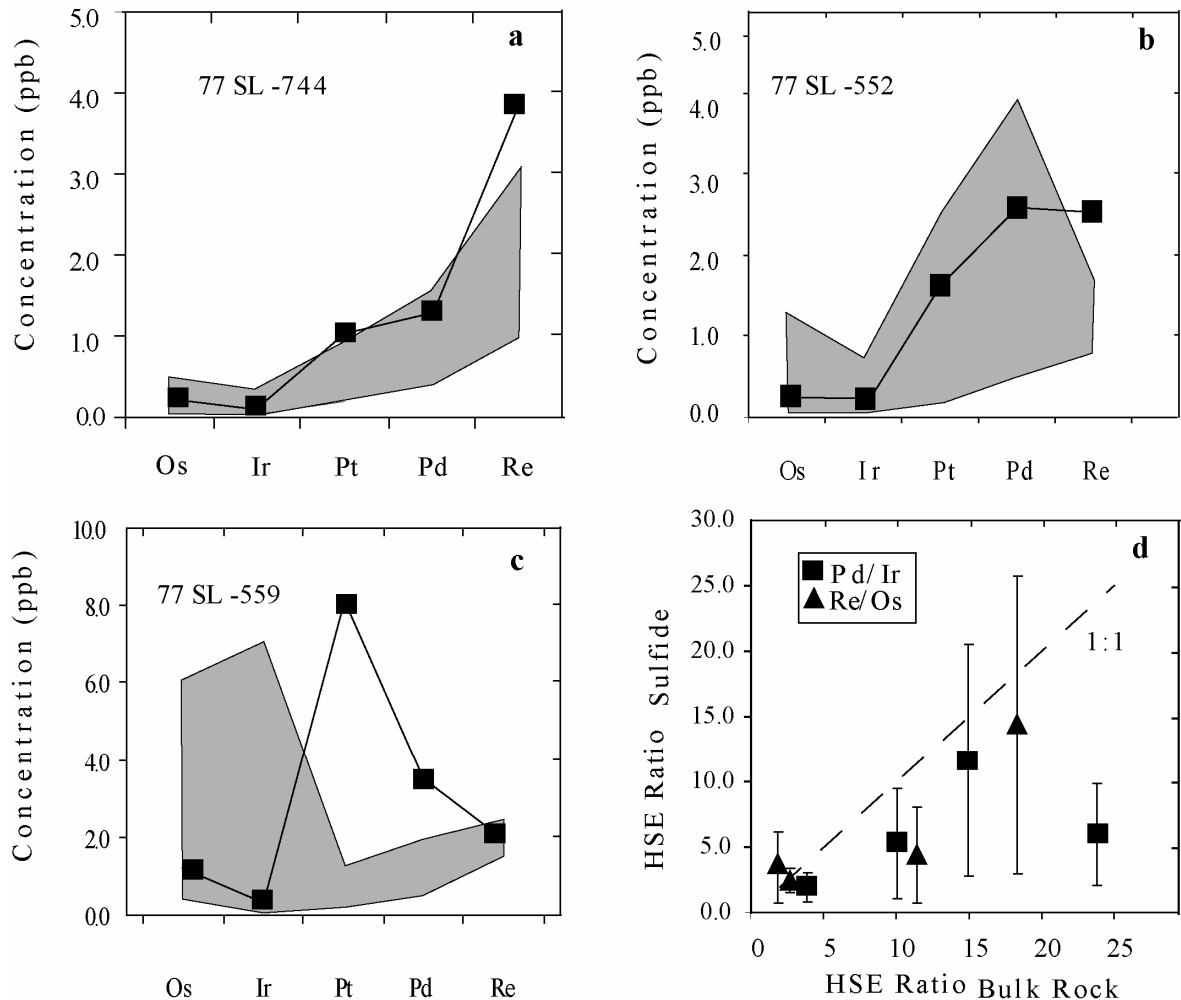


Figure 5.7 (a-c): Mass balance estimate of the contribution of sulfide to the HSE budget of garnet pyroxenites for sample number SL-744, 552 and 559. Filled square: measured bulk rock HSE abundances; shaded region: calculated HSE abundances in bulk rock, assuming no HSE in the silicates (Table 4.3). Calculated bulk rock data were estimated on the range of sulfide composition reported on the samples (Sen et al., 2010). The measured Os and Ir values are within the range of calculated values; this suggests that sulfides are the major repository of Os and Ir in these rocks. However Pt and Pd are outside the range for sample number SL-559, there may be smaller sulfide grains enriched in Pt and Pd (further discussed in the text). Note measured Re abundances is greater than the estimated one. **(d)** Comparison between HSE ratios in bulk rock and the sulfides for sample number SL-744, 552, 559 and 590. The error bar for HSE ratios in the sulfides are 1 σ standard deviation on the measured concentration. The Pd/Ir and the Re/Os ratio are higher in the bulk rock than the sulfides. 1:1 denotes a line of slope 1. Note that we did not do any mass balance calculations for SL-590 (the only other sample where we have HSE data on sulfides and bulk rock), as the sample has 5% Olivine and we do not have the Ni concentrations for the Olivine to do Ni mass balance.

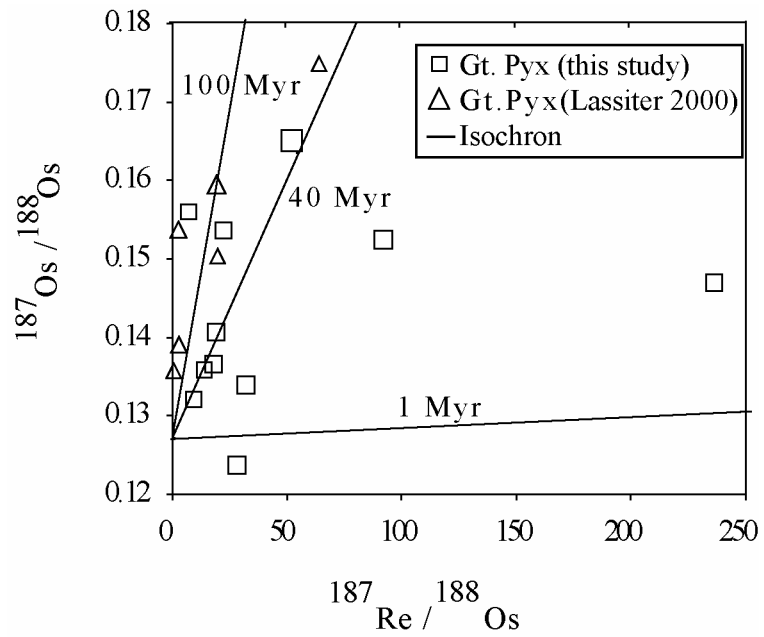


Figure 5.8 Plot of $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ versus $^{187}\text{Re}/^{188}\text{Os}$; No isochronous relationship exists in the pyroxenites xenoliths from Hawaii.

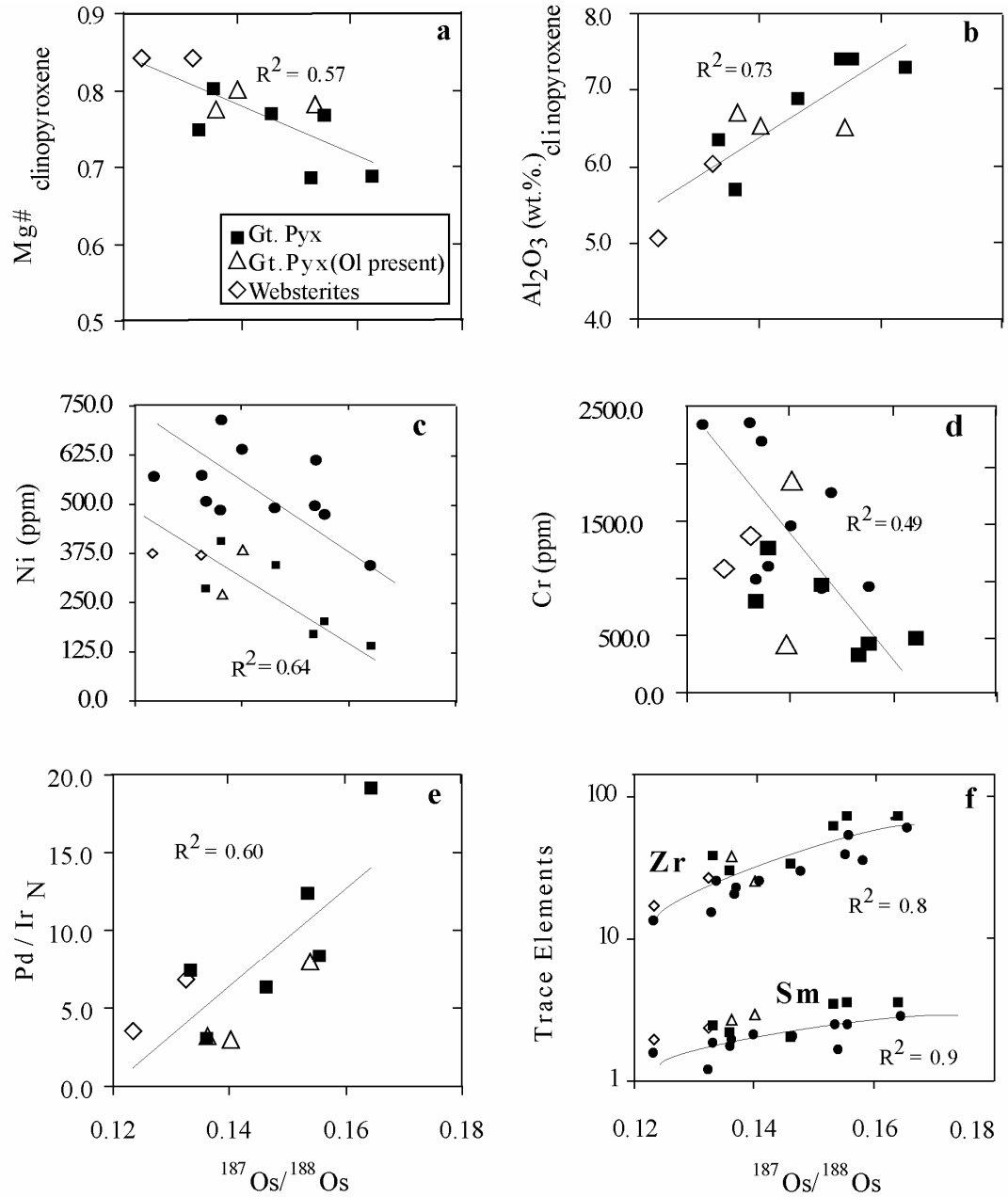


Figure 5.9 Plots of $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratio of the bulk rock vs. major and trace element content of clinopyroxenes and bulk rocks. Elemental data for clinopyroxenes are from Bizimis et al. 2005. The $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratio of the bulk rock shows positive correlation with Al_2O_3 , Sm, Hf and Pd/Ir and negative correlations with Mg#, Ni and Cr content of the clinopyroxene and bulk rock. The solid circles in Fig 6c-d-f and Fig e shows bulk rock data. CI normalized values from McDonough and Sun 1995.

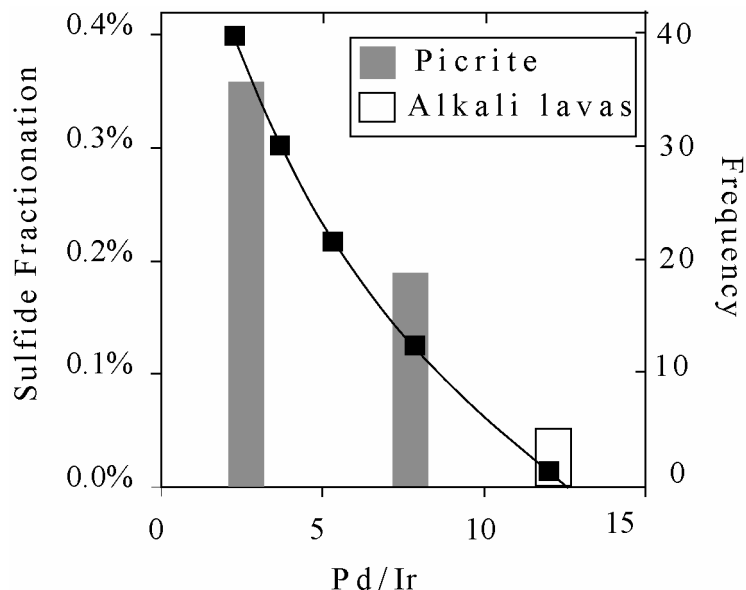


Figure 5.10 Effect of sulfide fractionation on the Pd/Ir ratio of the silicate melt. For the starting silicate melt we used 4 ppb of Pd and 0.25 ppb of Ir (some of the most primitive Hawaiian picrites (Ireland et al., 2009)) and from the parental melt we fractionated sulfides using the sulfide/silicate partition coefficients of 3.2 and 5×1000 for Ir and Pd (Fleet et al., 1999). Pd/Ir ratios of the silicate melt decreases with progressive sulfide fractionation. The rectangular bars corresponds to the right vertical axis; it represents the Pd/Ir ratio of the Hawaiian picrites (Ireland et al., 2009) and post shield stage alkalic lavas (Crocket, 2002) The Pd/Ir ratio in the pyroxenites varies from 4-24 (see inset figure on 5.11b)

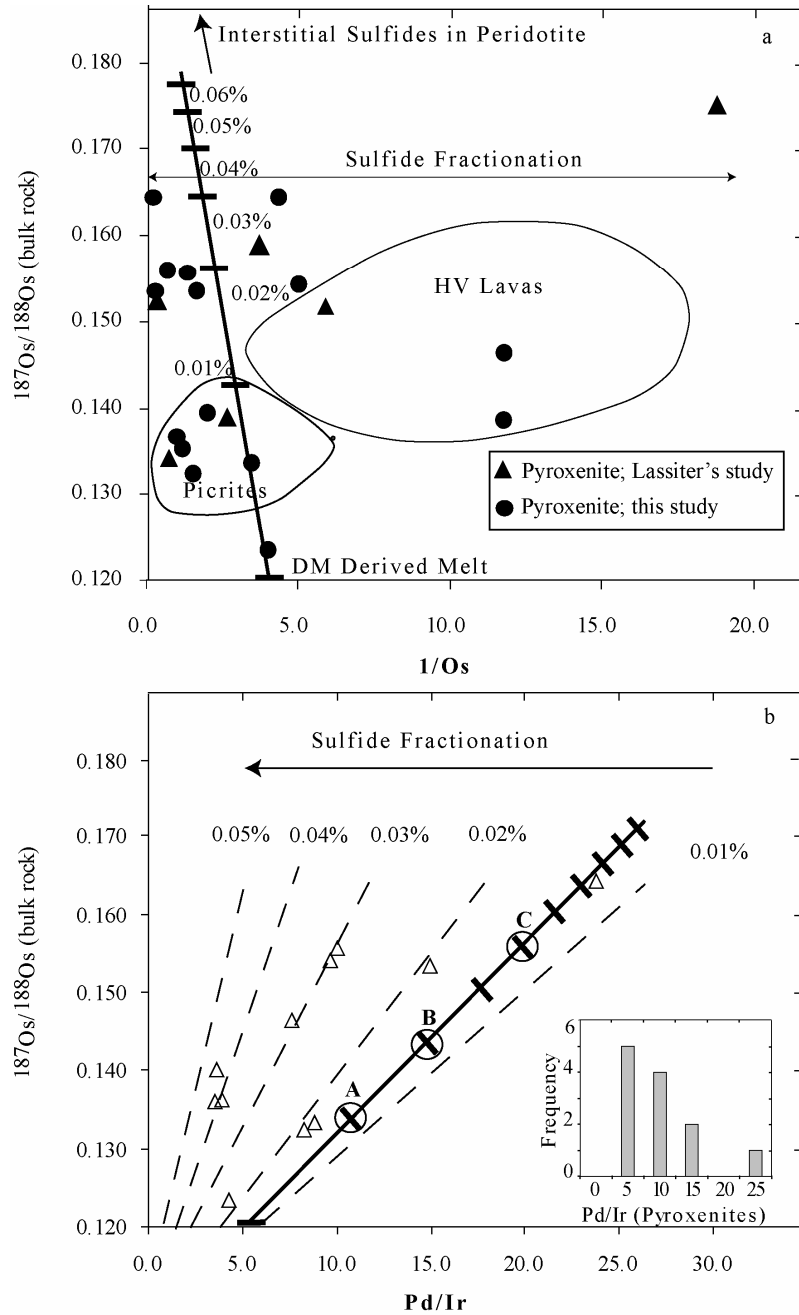


Figure 5.11 (a) Plot of $1/\text{Os}$ and Pd/Ir ratios vs. $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratios in the bulk rock pyroxenite. The solid bold line with tick marks in both the figures represent the mixing line between depleted mantle (DM) derived melt and interstitial sulfides from peridotites. Mixing parameters are as follows: depleted mantle (DM) derived melt $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os} = 0.12$, Os = 250 ppt, Ir = 250 ppt, Pd = 1 ppb; Interstitial sulfides: $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os} = 0.18$, Os = 1 ppm; Ir = 1ppm, Pd = 35 ppm (PGE and Os isotopic composition of interstitial sulfides are reported by Alard et al. 2000; 2002) (a) the figure shows that the pyroxenites from this study and the Lassiter et al. 2000 study plots scattered along the mixing line between the DM derived melt and interstitial sulfide within peridotite. We envision a process;

where the percolating silicate melt is picking up radiogenic interstitial sulfides from the Pacific lithosphere.

(b) Variation of Pd/Ir ratios in the pyroxenites as a result of sequential sulfide fractionation from the mixed melt composition. We separated out sulfides (using the same parameters as described in the Fig 10 caption) from different parental melt compositions; A (Pd=2.7 ppb; Ir = 0.25 ppb), B (Pd = 4.5 ppb, Ir = 0.3 ppb) and C (Pd = 6.25 ppb, Ir = 0.35 ppb) and calculated the melt composition at each step. The dashed line shows sulfide fractionation lines. Our calculation shows that the range of Pd/Ir ratio (inset figure) and Os isotope in the bulk pyroxenite can be explained with ~0.4% sulfide fractionation from a parental melt which is a mixture of DM derived melt with 0.5% interstitial sulfides in the peridotites.

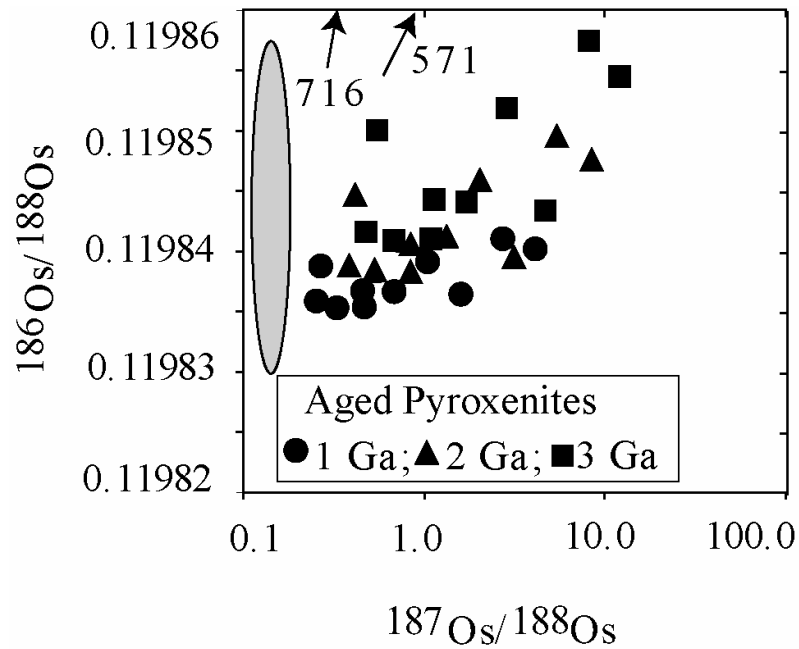


Figure 5.12 $^{186}\text{Os} - ^{187}\text{Os}$ isotope systematics of 1-2-3 Ga evolved pyroxenites compared with reported high $^{186}\text{Os} - ^{187}\text{Os}$ plume derived lavas (picritic lavas and komatiites) (Brandon et al., 1998; Brandon et al., 1999). The pyroxenites are assumed to have chondritic $^{186}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ and $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratios at 1-2-3 Ga ago, calculated using present day $^{186}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os} = 0.119834$; $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os} = 0.127$, chondritic $^{190}\text{Pt}/^{188}\text{Os} = 0.001692$; $^{187}\text{Re}/^{188}\text{Os} = 0.40186$, and decay constants $\lambda^{190}\text{Pt} = 1.417 \times 10^{-12}$ /year and $\lambda^{187}\text{Re} = 1.67 \times 10^{-11}$ /year (Brandon and Walker, 2005). The pyroxenites are then evolved to present day using the measured Pt/Os and Re/Os ratios. My calculations show that these pyroxenites will develop radiogenic $^{186}\text{Os} - ^{187}\text{Os}$ compositions but at much shallower slope (exception SL-716) than observed in Hawaiian lavas and komatiites.

CHAPTER 6

PLUME DYNAMICS: SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

Chapter 2 of this dissertation pointed out that there were two principal questions I wished to address with this study: (1) whether or not the Hawaiian plume shows any geochemical signal of receiving materials from the Earth's Outer Core, and (2) how the plume interacts with the lithosphere. In contrast to many previous studies of Hawaiian lavas, I primarily focused on the sulfides that occur in the deep-seated garnet pyroxenite xenoliths and analyzed their platinum group element (PGE) concentrations and also the bulk rock Os isotope compositions of the xenoliths that host the sulfides. Here I summarize my observations on the sulfides:

SUMMARY OF OBSERVATIONS

1. Sulfides in Hawaiian garnet pyroxenite xenoliths compositionally belong to the monosulfide solid solution or MSS variety. Their composition range is as follows: Fe = 55-57%, Ni = 3-10 %, Cu = 0.5-2.0 %, S = 35-37 % and Zn = 0.01-0.5 %.
2. Petrographically, the sulfides are of two types - Type I occurs as globular, poikilitic inclusions only in clinopyroxenes, and Type II occurs interstitially between silicate phases. There is no chemical difference between the two types.
3. Hawaiian xenolith sulfides have a factor of 10 to 1000 lower PGE contents than those (e.g. Os ~1 to <0.01ppm) found in peridotites from elsewhere in the world.
4. Hawaiian sulfides show fractionated PGE patterns ($Pd_{(n)}/Ir_{(n)} \sim 1-35$) and very high $Re_{(n)}/Os_{(n)}$ ratios (~10-400).
5. They originated as immiscible liquids whose separation from the host silicate melts occurred at $1530 \pm 100^{\circ}C$ and 3.1 ± 0.6 GPa.

6. Mineral/melt partition calculations suggest that the parental silicate melts (prior to immiscibility) were similar to the Honolulu Volcanics (HV) alkali lavas that host the xenoliths, and that limited (0.1-0.3%) sulfide fractionation from a parental HV-type melt can account for the observed HSE variability in the sulfides.
7. Sulfides are the major carrier of PGEs in the bulk rock.

“Leaky” Outer Core Hypothesis

The relatively low Pt/Re ratios of the Hawaiian sulfides and the bulk rock pyroxenites suggest that, upon “ageing”, such sulfides and the pyroxenites cannot generate the coupled ^{186}Os - ^{187}Os isotope enrichments observed in Hawaiian lavas. Therefore, recycling of mantle sulfides of pyroxenitic parentage is unlikely to explain the enriched Pt-Re-Os isotope systematics of plume-derived lavas. Therefore, the hypothesis that Os enrichment in the Hawaiian shield lavas owes its origin to mass contributions from a “leaky” Outer Core is supported. This, in turn, supports the hypothesis that the Hawaiian plume is anchored to the Core-Mantle Boundary layer (Helmberger et al., 1998; Russell et al., 1998; Bijwaard and Spakman, 1999; Humayun et al., 2004; Montelli et al., 2004).

Plume- Lithosphere Interaction Hypothesis

Earlier study by Lassiter et al. 2000 presented an interesting observation, that is, on an $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ versus $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$, the Hawaiian pyroxenites and the Honolulu Volcanics that host the mantle xenoliths, cut across the calculated mixing trends between two sources – the plume and a depleted Mid-Ocean Ridge mantle source. Lassiter et al. 2000 suggested that this was due to “in growth” of ^{187}Os from ^{188}Re . In this dissertation I showed that the pyroxenites have $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$ ratios (0.123-0.164) that correlate with bulk

rock major and trace elements: the most radiogenic samples have the highest Al₂O₃, REE, Pd/Ir and lowest Ni, Cr and Mg# contents. However, bulk rock ¹⁸⁷Os/¹⁸⁸Os ratios do not correlate with the Hf-Nd-Sr isotope compositions of clinopyroxene, nor with bulk rock Re/Os or 1/Os ratios. This observation does not support an origin of these ¹⁸⁷Os/¹⁸⁸Os ratios from mixtures of melts or having resulted from in-situ ¹⁸⁷Os ingrowth: instead it suggests that PGE concentrations and Os isotope ratios reflect primary mantle processes and not secondary (e.g., metasomatism) effects.

I show here that the major element, trace element and PGE correlations are a result of fractionation of magma from primary melts with variable Os isotope ratios. I suggest that the parental melts that crystallized the pyroxenites selectively picked up radiogenic Os from the grain boundary sulfides in the Pacific lithosphere while percolating through the lithosphere. The sampled pyroxenites essentially represent crystallized melts from different stages of this melt-mantle reaction process at the base of the lithosphere. My data strongly suggest that during the melt rock reaction process, lithospheric sulfides could preferentially enter into the melts, which is quite plausible as such sulfides have ~ 75°C (Bockrath et al., 2004) lower melting temperature than the solidus temperatures of the xenoliths (Keshav et. al., 2004)

Final Model

Figure 6.1 shows a schematic model of mantle dynamics as viewed from the results and conclusions drawn from this dissertation. The Hawaiian plume originates at the Core-Mantle Boundary layer and is thought to entrain materials from the Outer Core. My result supports the earlier geophysical and geochemical observation that says that the plume originates at the Core-Mantle Boundary layer (Helmberger et al., 1998; Russell et al.,

1998; Bijwaard and Spakman, 1999; Humayun et al., 2004; Montelli et al., 2004;). I also conclude that the Os enrichment in the Hawaiian shield lavas owes its origin to mass contributions from a “leaky” Outer Core. The plume-derived melt that crystallized the pyroxenites selectively picked up radiogenic Os from the grain boundary sulfides in the Pacific lithosphere while percolating through the lithosphere prior to crystallization. I conclude that sulfides can be preferentially mobilized during the melt-rock reaction. This process can explain the reason for which Os is decoupled from other lithophile element isotopic systems in the oceanic mantle.

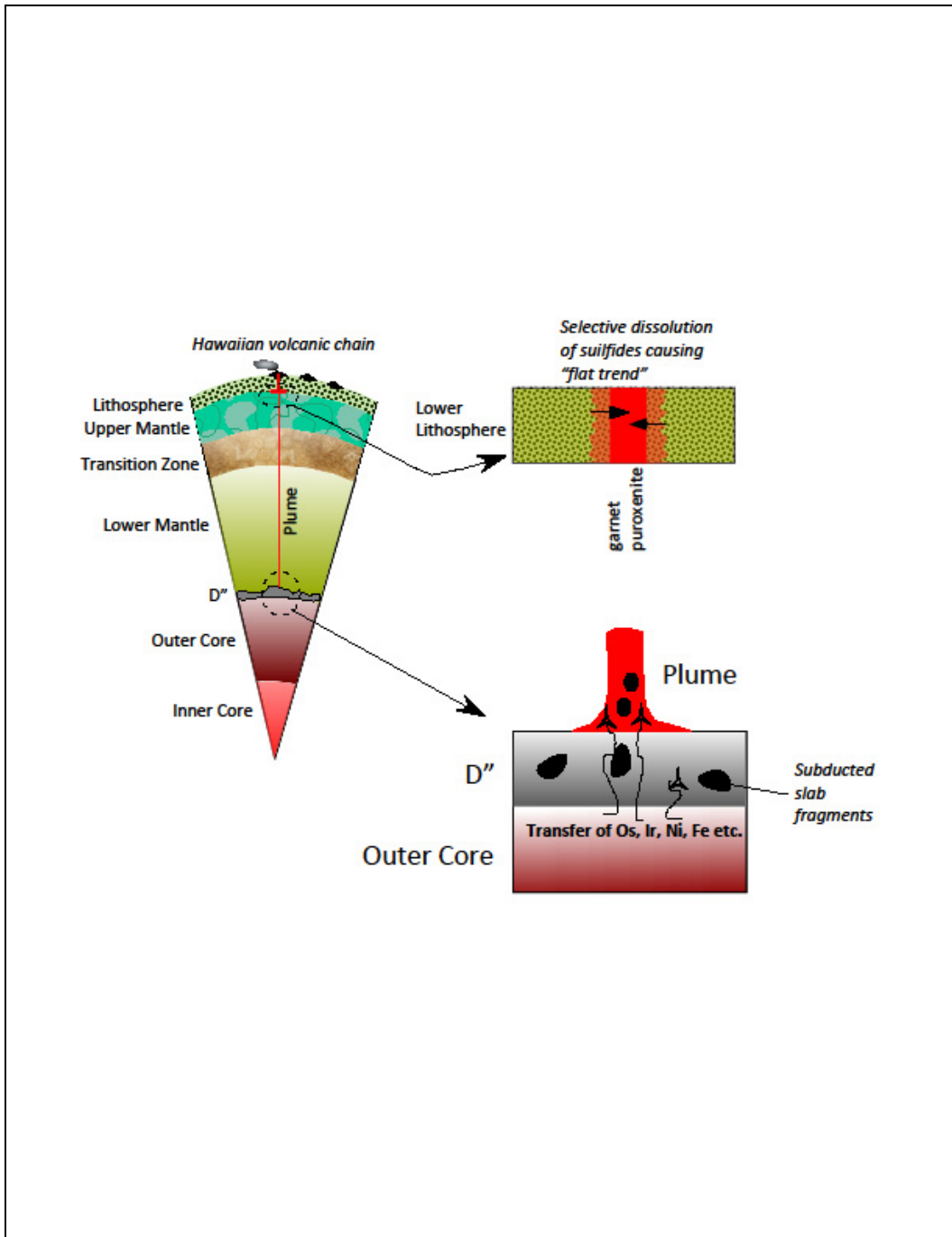


Figure 6.1 Final Model - Hawaiian plume originates at the Core-Mantle Boundary layers and while passing through the lithosphere it selectively picks up radiogenic grain boundary Osmium from the lithosphere.

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APPENDIX

Supplementary Table A1 (All analysis are 1 μ m EPMA Analysis)

Major Element Concentrations of Included Sulfides in Clinopyroxenes

Sample No:	Fe	Ni	Zn	Cu	S	Total
552_1	57.14	3.62	0.40	1.49	37.59	100.23
552_2	57.87	3.07	0.40	1.20	37.41	99.94
552_3	57.56	3.01	0.39	1.63	37.01	99.58
552_4	57.88	3.10	0.41	1.38	38.20	100.97
552_5	58.21	3.11	0.39	1.41	37.48	100.59
552_6	56.18	4.86	0.40	1.51	37.51	100.45
552_7	57.42	4.24	0.39	1.03	37.73	100.81
Average	57.46	3.57	0.40	1.38	37.56	100.37
1 σ Error	0.67	0.72	0.01	0.20	0.36	0.49
559_1	53.83	5.84	0.44	1.84	37.24	99.17
559_2	53.31	5.67	0.43	1.95	37.53	98.89
559_3	53.63	6.26	0.44	1.62	39.03	100.97
559_4	51.12	7.49	0.41	3.09	37.82	99.93
559_5	54.45	6.24	0.41	1.07	37.62	99.78
559_6	55.27	5.43	0.42	0.62	38.24	99.98
559_7	52.54	6.98	0.40	1.41	37.85	99.19
559_8	53.32	7.02	0.43	1.12	37.97	99.86
559_9	53.64	5.39	0.42	0.76	38.07	98.27
559_10	54.03	7.90	0.42	0.76	37.75	100.86
Average	53.51	6.42	0.42	1.42	37.91	99.69
1 σ Error	1.11	0.88	0.01	0.75	0.48	0.84
590_1	48.57	11.20	0.40	2.03	38.60	100.78
590_2	49.82	9.70	0.43	2.09	38.37	100.41
590_3	51.16	8.50	0.42	1.39	39.22	100.69
590_4	48.41	11.58	0.41	2.74	37.76	100.89
590_5	49.76	11.18	0.40	1.73	37.31	100.38
590_6	49.68	9.90	0.39	1.54	38.31	99.81
590_7	49.76	11.22	0.40	1.54	38.37	101.29
590_8	48.98	12.60	0.40	1.10	38.54	101.62
Average	49.52	10.74	0.41	1.77	38.31	100.78
1 σ Error	0.87	1.29	0.01	0.51	0.57	0.56
744_1	53.15	8.13	0.04	0.18	37.60	99.11

744_2	55.42	6.26	0.02	0.29	37.68	99.66
744_3	56.33	5.76	0.00	0.08	38.04	100.20
744_4	55.32	7.05	0.00	1.58	37.47	101.42
744_5	55.07	6.65	0.02	0.81	36.89	99.44
744_6	54.74	8.21	0.02	0.98	36.17	100.11
744_7	55.37	6.53	0.00	0.62	37.64	100.15
744_8	56.71	5.60	0.00	0.58	37.14	100.03
744_9	56.01	5.93	0.00	0.64	36.26	98.84
744_10	56.54	5.32	0.00	0.89	36.93	99.68
744_11	55.67	6.46	0.00	0.83	37.12	100.07
744_12	55.55	5.89	0.02	1.15	36.42	99.03
744_13	53.61	9.68	0.00	0.48	36.15	99.92
744_14	54.39	5.86	0.00	1.07	36.73	98.05
744_15	55.87	7.38	0.00	0.47	37.18	100.90
744_16	56.92	5.52	0.00	0.28	36.91	99.63
Average	55.42	6.64	0.01	0.68	37.02	99.76
1 σ Error	1.06	1.19	0.01	0.40	0.58	0.80
774_1	56.20	3.33	0.42	1.05	37.38	98.37
774_2	55.87	3.06	0.42	1.50	35.82	96.66
774_3	54.75	3.54	0.42	1.52	35.66	95.89
774_4	56.01	3.44	0.43	1.90	37.12	98.91
774_5	55.49	4.41	0.41	1.57	37.48	99.36
774_6	57.68	3.11	0.42	1.01	37.29	99.51
774_7	56.35	3.43	0.45	1.28	37.75	99.25
774_8	56.57	3.29	0.43	1.23	36.88	98.41
Average	56.11	3.45	0.43	1.38	36.92	98.29
1 σ Error	0.85	0.42	0.01	0.30	0.77	1.33
680_1	53.69	3.66	0.41	2.19	39.27	99.22
680_2	55.31	4.36	0.39	1.65	37.80	99.52
680_3	54.74	4.44	0.41	2.61	37.29	99.48
680_4	55.03	3.84	0.42	2.84	36.39	98.52
680_5	53.99	4.66	0.41	1.39	36.66	97.11
680_6	54.53	3.86	0.47	1.47	38.20	98.53
Average	54.55	4.14	0.42	2.03	37.60	98.73
1 σ Error	0.62	0.40	0.03	0.61	1.06	0.91
555_1	55.60	6.47	0.01	0.26	38.01	100.46

555_2	55.71	7.43	0.01	0.46	36.48	100.20
555_3	53.96	8.56	0.00	0.88	35.14	98.68
Average	55.09	7.49	0.01	0.53	36.55	99.78
1 σ Error	0.98	1.05	0.01	0.32	1.43	0.96
594_1	51.72	6.72	0.44	1.88	39.41	100.16
594_2	52.54	7.39	0.41	1.08	39.53	100.94
594_3	51.36	8.25	0.41	1.61	38.98	100.62
594_4	46.46	12.41	0.40	2.82	38.70	100.79
594_5	49.88	8.95	0.42	1.64	39.90	100.79
Average	50.39	8.74	0.42	1.80	39.30	100.66
1 σ Error	2.40	2.22	0.01	0.64	0.47	0.30
776_1	55.09	6.34	0.45	0.95	38.98	101.81
776_2	47.08	10.58	0.41	3.57	38.76	100.39
776_3	50.33	8.79	0.42	1.10	38.67	99.31
776_4	50.19	9.11	0.41	1.53	38.83	100.07
776_5	49.73	7.92	0.42	2.61	39.11	99.79
Average	50.48	8.55	0.42	1.95	38.87	100.27
1 σ Error	2.89	1.56	0.02	1.11	0.18	0.95
620_1	54.85	9.268	0.299	0.29	36.69	101.40
620_2	54.2	7.6	0.02	0.4	38.2	100.42
Average	54.53	8.43	0.16	0.35	37.45	100.91
1 σ Error	0.46	1.18	0.20	0.08	1.07	0.69
567_1	54.02	4.56	0.32	2.52	36.97	98.38
567_2	54.12	5.80	0.30	1.54	37.15	98.91
567_3	55.29	4.73	0.30	1.31	36.68	98.31
567_4	54.91	4.69	0.29	1.45	37.02	98.36
567_5	54.88	4.86	0.30	1.51	37.23	98.77
567_6	54.72	4.94	0.29	1.34	37.69	98.98
567_7	53.58	5.23	0.29	0.89	37.45	97.44
567_8	55.18	4.91	0.30	1.13	37.01	98.52
567_9	56.06	4.42	0.31	0.82	36.89	98.51
567_10	54.06	5.93	0.31	1.01	37.20	98.50
567_11	55.18	4.73	0.32	1.12	37.48	98.83
567_12	54.91	4.96	0.28	1.84	36.37	98.36
567_13	54.12	5.05	0.32	2.94	36.93	99.35

567_14	55.09	4.99	0.30	1.77	37.08	99.24
567_15	54.99	5.07	0.30	1.35	37.53	99.24
567_16	55.50	4.51	0.30	1.43	37.41	99.14
567_17	55.63	4.56	0.31	1.42	37.78	99.70
Average	54.84	4.94	0.30	1.49	37.17	98.74
1 σ Error	0.66	0.41	0.01	0.55	0.36	0.53
859_1	45.39	17.03	0.00	0.98	36.11	99.67
859_2	44.14	17.79	0.00	1.96	36.10	100.10
859_3	43.70	17.78	0.00	1.16	36.18	98.98
859_4	35.19	14.87	0.00	15.85	34.20	100.21
859_5	43.98	18.83	0.00	1.17	36.46	100.60
859_6	45.06	19.00	0.00	1.03	36.39	101.61
859_7	44.85	18.65	0.01	1.54	35.71	100.88
859_8	44.81	18.87	0.01	1.43	36.16	101.41
859_9	44.14	19.81	0.01	1.34	36.25	101.70
859_10	44.53	18.80	0.00	1.21	36.23	100.88
Average	43.58	18.14	0.00	2.77	35.98	100.60
1 σ Error	2.99	1.39	0.00	4.61	0.66	0.88

Supplementary Table A2**Major Element Concentrations of Interstitial Sulfides**All analysis are 1 μ m EPMA analysis

Sample No:	Fe	Ni	Zn	Cu	S	Total
552_1	56.04	3.35	0.41	1.17	38.33	99.29
552_2	56.72	2.71	0.42	0.55	38.79	99.19
552_3	57.86	2.66	0.42	0.60	39.02	100.55
552_4	56.73	4.18	0.41	1.50	37.61	100.43
552_5	57.29	3.49	0.43	1.43	36.98	99.63
552_6	57.56	3.07	0.39	1.22	37.71	99.95
552_7	57.56	3.18	0.38	1.29	38.25	100.65
AVERAGE	57.11	3.23	0.41	1.11	38.10	99.96
1 σ Error	0.64	0.52	0.02	0.38	0.71	0.61
559_1	55.43	5.15	0.42	1.10	37.14	99.24
559_2	55.36	4.35	0.42	1.09	37.12	98.35
559_3	56.66	3.82	0.42	0.80	37.39	99.09
559_4	55.89	4.73	0.41	0.83	37.59	99.45
559_5	54.64	4.99	0.41	2.04	37.58	99.66
559_6	54.81	4.66	0.40	1.11	37.71	98.69
559_7	56.34	3.56	0.40	0.61	38.01	98.92
559_8	54.78	5.05	0.42	1.59	37.95	99.80
559_9	55.69	3.80	0.44	1.29	37.89	99.12
559_10	55.59	4.11	0.41	1.10	37.59	98.80
559_11	53.35	4.21	0.42	2.65	37.95	98.58
559_12	51.13	6.41	0.40	2.38	37.95	98.26
559_13	52.82	5.61	0.41	1.59	38.56	98.99
AVERAGE	54.81	4.65	0.41	1.40	37.73	99.00
1 σ Error	1.55	0.80	0.01	0.62	0.39	0.47
590_1	48.95	9.90	0.40	1.76	38.12	99.12
590_2	49.91	12.12	0.38	1.11	36.58	100.09
590_3	51.20	10.50	0.41	1.53	37.24	100.88
590_4	51.20	11.63	0.39	1.58	35.20	100.00
590_5	49.50	8.60	0.40	2.35	39.81	100.66
590_6	47.10	10.19	0.40	0.73	40.83	99.25
AVERAGE	49.64	10.49	0.40	1.51	37.96	100.00
1 σ Error	1.54	1.26	0.01	0.56	2.08	0.71

744_1	54.08	7.06	0.00	0.93	37.00	99.07
744_2	55.53	6.54	0.00	0.74	37.36	100.16
744_3	55.53	7.04	0.00	0.70	37.49	100.75
744_4	53.86	6.55	0.01	0.55	37.67	98.64
744_5	54.37	7.56	0.00	0.83	38.03	100.79
744_6	55.81	6.14	0.03	0.69	37.38	100.05
744_7	54.42	6.47	0.00	0.79	37.30	98.97
744_8	55.03	7.61	0.01	0.74	37.40	100.79
744_9	55.28	7.59	0.00	0.90	37.06	100.83
744_10	55.22	6.31	0.00	0.71	36.95	99.18
744_11	54.92	7.19	0.00	0.93	37.01	100.04
744_12	54.42	7.43	0.00	1.20	36.77	99.81
744_13	54.95	6.25	0.00	1.00	37.02	99.22
744_14	55.01	4.73	0.02	0.29	37.07	97.11
744_15	49.85	5.95	0.00	0.48	36.76	93.05
744_16	51.04	6.62	0.00	0.44	31.73	89.83
744_17	54.04	8.15	0.00	1.30	36.00	99.49
744_18	56.47	8.04	0.05	0.21	37.40	102.16
744_19	56.03	6.32	0.00	0.52	37.00	99.86
744_20	55.71	7.89	0.00	0.60	36.91	101.10
744_21	54.65	7.29	0.00	0.86	37.04	99.85
744_22	55.43	7.37	0.00	1.20	36.87	100.86
744_23	54.73	6.00	0.01	0.52	36.72	97.98
744_24	54.81	6.43	0.03	1.23	33.09	95.59
744_25	55.78	5.67	0.00	0.64	37.15	99.24
744_26	55.89	6.13	0.01	0.74	37.30	100.07
744_27	55.77	6.96	0.01	0.51	36.89	100.14
AVERAGE	54.76	6.79	0.01	0.75	36.75	99.06
1 σ Error	1.42	0.80	0.01	0.28	1.32	2.59
774_1	57.16	3.10	0.42	1.22	38.59	100.52
774_2	57.58	2.93	0.43	0.95	38.82	100.71
774_3	56.99	3.82	0.42	0.78	37.29	98.30
774_4	53.40	3.92	0.42	1.15	37.86	98.66
774_5	54.20	3.80	0.41	1.15	37.89	99.33
774_6	57.33	3.70	0.43	0.99	37.86	99.31
774_7	57.22	3.60	0.40	0.82	37.52	98.55
774_8	55.03	3.31	0.41	1.79	38.00	98.53

AVERAGE	56.11	3.52	0.42	1.11	37.98	99.24
1 σ Error	1.64	0.37	0.01	0.32	0.51	0.93
680_1	58.00	4.17	0.41	1.60	36.24	100.42
680_2	58.32	3.81	0.40	1.36	37.04	100.91
680_3	57.48	4.14	0.40	1.44	36.88	100.35
680_4	56.81	4.37	0.42	1.58	37.15	100.34
680_5	57.79	3.91	0.39	1.23	37.15	100.47
680_6	57.31	4.06	0.41	1.63	37.09	100.50
680_7	56.42	4.50	0.39	1.88	37.52	100.71
680_8	56.72	4.25	0.39	1.83	36.59	99.79
680_9	57.49	3.71	0.42	1.45	37.43	100.50
680_10	56.37	4.22	0.40	1.73	37.48	100.20
680_11	57.47	4.07	0.40	1.27	36.89	100.09
AVERAGE	57.29	4.11	0.40	1.55	37.04	100.39
1 σ Error	0.64	0.23	0.01	0.22	0.39	0.30
555_1	52.75	9.45	0.05	0.63	36.77	99.75
555_2	53.31	8.28	0.00	0.63	36.50	98.86
AVERAGE	53.03	8.86	0.02	0.63	36.63	99.31
1 σ Error	0.40	0.83	0.03	0.00	0.19	0.63
594_1	54.11	8.54	0.43	1.24	36.20	100.51
594_2	55.41	7.67	0.40	0.94	36.67	101.09
594_3	53.20	6.71	0.40	1.82	36.93	99.06
594_4	52.07	9.24	0.41	1.47	37.28	100.48
594_5	53.53	8.46	0.42	1.20	36.45	100.05
594_6	52.12	6.73	0.43	3.49	37.72	100.50
594_7	51.72	7.56	0.43	2.74	37.46	99.91
AVERAGE	53.17	7.84	0.42	1.84	36.96	100.23
1 σ Error	1.32	0.95	0.01	0.94	0.56	0.64
776_1	53.72	7.70	0.42	0.50	37.90	100.25
776_2	54.38	8.35	0.40	0.80	36.43	100.36
776_3	54.78	6.61	0.42	0.72	38.95	101.48
776_4	53.81	7.18	0.39	0.86	38.45	100.69
AVERAGE	54.17	7.46	0.41	0.72	37.93	100.69
1 σ Error	0.50	0.74	0.02	0.15	1.09	0.56

620_1	50.55	13.13	0.02	0.85	35.18	99.88
620_2	52.68	10.44	0.00	0.67	35.80	99.70
620_3	55.304	5.803	0.31	0.857	36.491	98.764
620_4	54.839	6.3	0.30	1.313	35.58	98.334
AVERAGE	53.34	8.92	0.16	0.92	35.76	99.17
1 σ Error	2.19	3.49	0.17	0.28	0.55	0.74
35_1	49.80	8.76	0.30	2.96	36.87	98.69
35_2	50.11	8.75	0.30	3.04	36.93	99.12
35_3	50.14	8.90	0.30	2.77	36.86	98.97
35_4	50.13	8.74	0.29	2.82	36.24	98.21
35_6	50.30	8.63	0.30	3.00	35.89	98.12
AVERAGE	50.09	8.76	0.30	2.92	36.56	98.62
1 σ Error	0.18	0.10	0.00	0.12	0.47	0.45
62_1	53.15	6.95	0.30	1.57	36.53	98.50
62_2	52.27	7.20	0.30	1.86	36.64	98.27
62_3	52.91	7.28	0.31	1.45	36.76	98.70
62_4	53.38	7.10	0.29	1.05	36.71	98.53
62_5	53.00	7.61	0.31	1.24	37.21	99.37
AVERAGE	52.94	7.23	0.30	1.43	36.77	98.68
1 σ Error	0.41	0.25	0.01	0.31	0.26	0.42
567_1	39.55	2.05	0.32	23.01	34.01	98.94
567_2	48.20	7.84	0.29	6.52	35.46	98.31
567_3	55.57	5.35	0.29	0.89	36.55	98.65
AVERAGE	47.77	5.08	0.30	10.14	35.34	98.63
1 σ Error	8.02	2.91	0.02	11.50	1.27	0.32
859_1	48.10	13.04	0.00	36.15	1.06	98.35
859_2	49.22	11.36	0.00	35.64	1.23	97.45
859_3	46.56	15.17	0.02	35.85	1.65	99.25
859_4	48.78	14.89	0.00	36.44	1.27	101.38
859_5	47.88	15.18	0.02	36.06	1.01	100.15
859_6	48.48	13.62	0.03	35.78	1.13	99.05
859_7	47.60	16.13	0.00	36.08	1.00	100.80
859_8	48.71	15.31	0.00	35.75	0.65	100.42
AVERAGE	48.17	14.34	0.01	35.97	1.13	99.61

Supplementary Table A3
 Clinopyroxene Major Element
 Concentrations (wt. %.)

Sample	594	680	774
SiO ₂	50.79	50.66	50.69
TiO ₂	0.70	1.00	1.08
Al ₂ O ₃	6.51	6.93	6.63
Cr ₂ O ₃	0.01	0.04	0.04
MgO	13.50	12.50	12.48
CaO	19.06	18.66	18.80
FeO	6.75	8.49	9.86
MnO	0.02	0.07	0.07
Na ₂ O	1.58	2.51	2.13
Total	98.92	100.86	101.76
Mg#	0.78	0.72	0.69

All major element analysis was performed at FCAEM / FIU. All samples have the prefix 77 SL-.

$$\text{Mg\#} = (\text{Mg})/(\text{Mg}+\text{Fe})$$

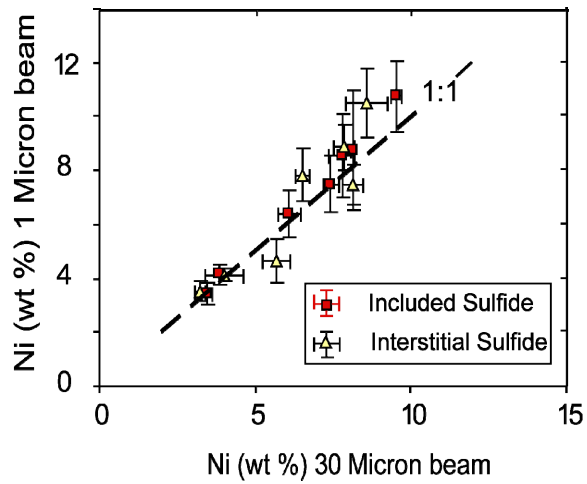


Fig A, Appendix Comparison between 1-2 μm and 30 μm beam diameter EPMA analysis for the determination of Ni. The error bar for 1 μm and 30 μm analyses are 20% and 5 % respectively. 1:1 denotes a line of slope 1. Within error the results are in moderate agreement.

HSE and Re-Os Extraction Protocol

Os Extraction

- 1) Carius tubes were cleaned by boiling it in aqua regia
- 2) 2.5 gm of powdered sample was put inside the cleaned carius tube and spiked with 0.05 ml of PGE enriched solution (spike #000601, provide by Munir Humayun at NHMFL), and the tubes were chilled immediately for 30 minutes
- 3) 10 mL of previously chilled inverse aqua regia (HNO_3 to HCL 2:1) were added and tubes were kept in ice water.
- 4) The tubes were sealed with oxyacetylene flame (note: first open the acetylene valve followed by oxygen, while turning off, turn off the oxygen gas at first)
- 5) The tubes were shaken well and were wrapped up in aluminum foil and placed inside a steel jacket.
- 6) The tubes were kept in the furnace 240°C for 72 hours.
- 7) The carius tubes were taken out from the furnace and cooled off in ice water (salt was used with the ice)
- 8) Oxy acetylene torch was used to reduce the pressure inside the tube by making a small hole towards the top (a gas escaping sound can be heard)
- 9) The tubes were cooled for 10 hours (the more it was cooled. the less bubbles were formed, when breaking open the tube)
- 10) The tubes were broken using a glass cutting tool. With a clean pipette it was transferred into a 10 mL centrifuge tube and centrifuged at 4000 rpm for 5 minutes

- 11) The clear aqua regia was transferred into a tube with 4 ml of ice cold CCl_4 . It was shaken vigorously and centrifuged @4000 rpm for 5 minutes.
- 12) The floating aqua regia was removed and placed into another centrifuge tube with fresh 2 mL of CCl_4 (Os goes from aqua regia into CCl_4)
- 13) 4 mL of CCl_4 was transferred into a clean 20 mL savillex beaker with 5 mL of concentrated HBr.
- 14) Step 12 using 2 mL of CCl_4 was repeated for three more times (at the end we had the savillex beaker with 5 mL concentrated HBr and 12 mL of CCl_4)
- 15) The savillex beakers were closed and placed on the hot plate at 80°C (note: Os goes from CCl_4 into HBr)
- 16) The aqua regia was also dried down in the savillex beaker overnight (used for Ir-Ru-Pd-Pt extraction)
- 17) Next day, CCl_4 -HBr beakers were cooled, and the HBr was removed in a clean centrifuge tube. CCl_4 was discarded in a storage container (note: CCl_4 is highly carcinogenic, so anything which has traces of CCl_4 such as pipettes, beakers and centrifuge tubes should be kept separately for appropriate disposal)
- 18) The beakers were rinsed with deionized water, and HBr was put back in its own beaker and dried overnight at 80°C .
- 19) Next day: the beakers were cooled off.
- 20) Conical 7 ml beakers were prepared by putting Teflon tapes around the rim of the 7 mL beaker.
- 21) A drop of concentrated HBr was used to dissolve the cake from the bottom of the beaker and it was transferred on the cap of the conical 7 mL beaker. The caps

were put on hot plate and dried down at 80°C

22) After the cakes were dry, 5 µL concentrated HBr was put on the cone of the 7 mL beaker.

23) 50 µL of concentrated chromic acid was put on top of the dry cake and the beakers were quickly closed with the cap containing concentrated HBr (Note: HBr drop must stay on the beaker bottom (which is now on top) and chromic acid cannot splash the walls of the beaker)

24) The beakers were put upside down on the hot block at 60°C overnight.

25) Next day, the beakers were cooled down and opened carefully.

26) The small HBr drop was extracted and put into 1.5 mL centrifuge tubes.

Deionized water was mixed with HBr to make a total solution of 100 µL ready for

Os and Os isotope analysis with MC-ICPMS.

Ir-Ru-Pd-Pt Extraction

27) The dry aqua regia (from step 16) were redissolved in 8 mL 0.15 N HCl by ultrasonication (10 ml cation columns were used).

28) The solution was centrifuged @ 4000 rpm for 5 minutes

29) The 8 mL solution was split into two aliquots of 4 mL each, aliquot 1 was used for Ir-Ru-Pd-Pt and aliquot 2 was dried down at 80°C and later used for Re analysis.

30) 4 mL of the sample and blank were passed through 10 mL of AG50W-X8 cation exchange resin (see the procedure for making the resin). The first 4 mL of acid coming out of the resin was discarded

31) The columns were flushed with 4 mL of 0.15N HCl and the samples were

collected.

32) 70 mL of 6N HCl was flushed (10 mL at each time) through the resin and then it was backwashed with 0.15N HCl and pre-conditioned with 0.15N HCl.

33) The 4 mL of sample was again flushed through the resin and the first 4 mL was discarded. It was followed with 0.15 HCl flushing and the samples were collected (the samples were passed twice through the columns to ensure a clean PGE fraction and minimize polyatomic interferences). The samples were dried down and redissolved in 2% HNO₃ and analyzed with Element 1 HR-ICPMS.

Re Extraction

Primary Column (2 mL)

34) 2 mL volume columns were loaded with cleaned AG 1x8 anion resin and rinsed with 10 mL of 6N HNO₃ followed by 2 mL 0.8N HNO₃

35) The samples (from step 29) were dissolved in 5 mL of 0.8N HNO₃ and flushed through the resin.

36) The column were rinsed with 2 mL 0.8N HNO₃ – 2 mL 0.8N HNO₃ – 5 mL 1N HCL – 2 mL 0.8N HNO₃ – 1 mL 6N HNO₃

37) Re fraction was collected in 12 mL 6N HNO₃ and dried down

Cleanup Column (250 μL)

38) 250 μL volume columns were loaded with cleaned AG 1x8 anion resin and rinsed with 1 mL of 6N HNO₃ - 1 mL 6N HNO₃ - 0.5N HNO₃

39) The samples (from step 37) were dissolved in 0.5 mL of 0.8N HNO₃ and flushed through the resin.

40) The column were rinsed with 0.5 mL 0.8N HNO₃ – 0.5 mL 0.8N HNO₃ – 0.2 mL 4N HNO₃.

41) The clean Re cut was collected in 1.5 mL of 4N HNO₃ and analyzed with Element 1 HR-ICPMS.

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