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CONTRASTING PARENTAL MAGMA COMPOSITIONS FOR THE HONGGE AND PANZHIHUA MAGMATIC Fe-Ti-V OXIDE DEPOSITS, EMEISHAN LARGE IGNEOUS PROVINCE, SW CHINA*

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Abstract

Many ~260 Ma mafic-ultramafic layered intrusions, including Hongge and Panzhihua, in the Emeishan large igneous province, southwestern China host world-class Fe-Ti-V oxide ore deposits. These two most important ore-bearing intrusions show differences in lithology and mineral chemistry. The most important orebodies in the Hongge intrusion occur as concordant layers in the middle part of the intrusion, closely associated with clinopyroxenites. Titanomagnetite and Mg-rich ilmenite are the major ore minerals of the Hongge deposit. Coexisting clinopyroxene contains >1.7 wt % TiO₂. These data indicate high Ti parental magma for the Hongge ore-bearing clinopyroxenites. In the Panzhihua intrusion, the most important orebodies also occur as concordant layers but in its lower part instead of middle part. In contrast with the Hongge deposit, the most important host rocks of the Panzhihua deposit are gabbros, not clinopyroxenites. In addition, ilmenite is rare and titanomagnetite is predominant in the Panzhihua deposit. Coexisting clinopyroxene in the Panzhihua deposit contains <1.6 wt % TiO₂. The contrasting lithologic and mineral compositions indicate that the parental magma for the Hongge deposit has higher TiO₂ than that for the Panzhihua deposit. The compositions of clinopyroxene from the Panzhihua and Hongge deposits indicate that their parental magmas are also different in MgO/FeO and trace element ratios as well. Calculations using average experimental Mg-Fe exchange coefficient and trace element partition coefficients between clinopyroxene and magma show that the Hongge parental magma has higher MgO/FeO ratios and more fractionated mantle-normalized trace element patterns than the Panzhihua parental magma. The estimated compositions of the parental magmas for the Hongge and Panzhihua ore-bearing lithologies resemble the average compositions of the Longzhoushan-type high Ti basalts and Ertan-type intermediate Ti basalts in the Emeishan large igneous province, respectively. The new trace element data from this study, together with available Sr-Nd isotope data for the ore-bearing intrusions from literature, support a new petrogenetic model involving selective assimilation of newly subducted, stagnant oceanic gabbroic slab above the deep-seated Emeishan mantle plume. This process and subsequent contamination with the upper crust played an important role in the variation of parental magma compositions between the Hongge and Panzhihua magmatic oxide ore deposits. Abundant Fe-Ti oxide ore deposits associated with less evolved basaltic magma in the Emeishan large igneous province than elsewhere in the world are attributed to selective assimilation of newly subducted, stagnant oceanic lithospheric slab by the ascending mantle plume-derived picritic magma that was originally undersaturated with Fe-Ti oxides.

Introduction

Several ~260 Ma mafic-ultramafic intrusions, such as Panzhihua, Hongge, Baima, and Taihe, in the Emeishan large igneous province, southwestern China, host world-class Fe-Ti-V oxide ore deposits (Fig. 1). Massive oxide ore layers (up to ~60 m thick in the Panzhihua, and ~84 and ~70 m thick in the Hongge and Baima intrusions, respectively; Zhong et al., 2002, 2005; Pang et al., 2009, 2010) occur in the lower or middle parts of the intrusions. The origins of oxide ores in these intrusions are hotly debated. Zhou et al. (2005, 2013) and Dong et al. (2013) proposed that the oxide ores formed by silicate-oxide liquid immiscibility while other researchers (e.g., Zhong et al., 2003, 2005; Ganino et al., 2008; Pang et al., 2008a, b, 2009, 2010; Wang et al., 2008; Zhang et al., 2008; Bai et al., 2012a, b; Hou et al., 2012; Shellnutt and Pang, 2012; Song et al., 2013; Luan et al., 2014) suggested they formed

by accumulation of Fe-Ti oxides crystallized from Fe-Ti-rich basaltic magma. Regardless of mechanism, the variations of parental magma compositions for these deposits are poorly constrained. Many researchers (Zhong et al., 2005; Pang et al., 2008a, 2009, 2010; Wang et al., 2008; Zhang et al., 2008; Bai et al., 2012a, b; Hou et al., 2012; Shellnutt and Pang, 2012; Song et al., 2013; Luan et al., 2014) believe that the parental magmas for all of the ore-bearing intrusions in the Emeishan large igneous province are comparable to the coeval high-Ti basalts (TiO₂>2.5%, Ti/Y>500, Xu et al., 2001). However, these intrusions show different lithological and mineralogical controls on the occurrence of oxide ore horizons. For example, the most important orebodies in the Hongge intrusion are composed of titanomagnetite and Mg-rich ilmenite in the middle part of the intrusion, closely associated with clinopyroxenites (Zhong et al., 2002; Pang et al., 2008a; Bai et al., 2012b). In contrast, the most important orebodies in the Panzhihua intrusion are present in the lower part of the intrusion. The host rocks in Panzhihua deposit are dominated by gabbros instead of clinopyroxenites. Another difference between the Panzhihua and

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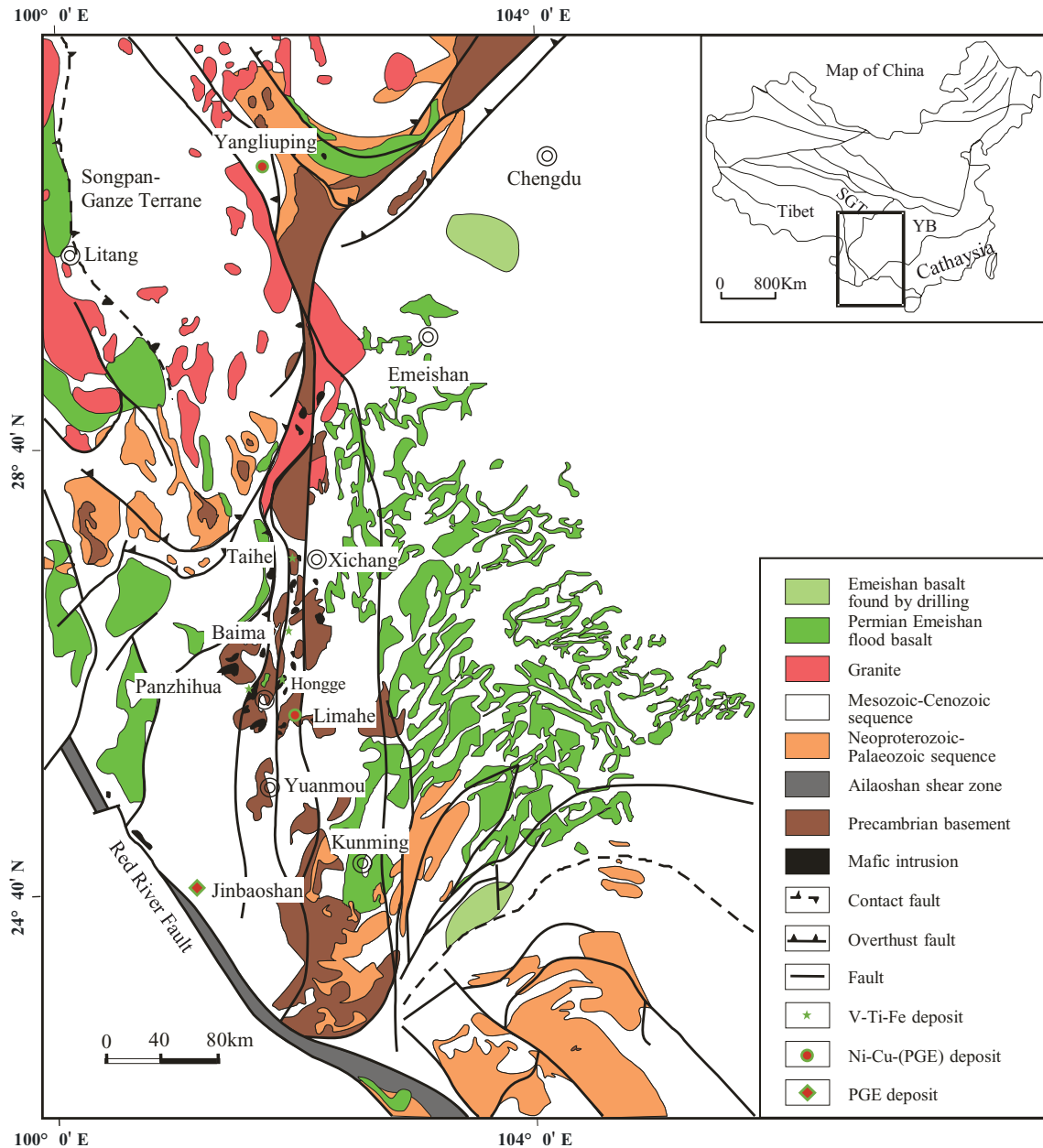


FIG. 1. Distribution of the Emeishan continental flood basalt province and contemporaneous mafic-ultramafic intrusions in southwestern China (modified from Zhou et al. 2002). SGT = Songpan-Ganze terrane; YB = Yangtze block.

Hongge deposits is that ilmenite is rare and titanomagnetite is predominant in the former (Pang et al., 2008a, b). Furthermore, the compositions of the coeval high-Ti basalts are highly variable in both major elements, trace elements and isotopes (Xu et al., 2001, 2007; Xiao et al., 2004; Zhang et al., 2006, 2009; Wang et al., 2007; Fan et al., 2008; Song et al., 2008; He et al., 2010; Hou et al., 2011a). The compositional variations in the coeval ore-bearing intrusions and coeval basalts may be related to similar petrologic processes. In the study we evaluate such a possibility as well as the controls on the compositional variations of parental magmas for the Hongge and Panzhihua deposits, using newly acquired mineralogical and petrological data.

Geologic Background

Regional geology

Southwestern China comprises the Yangtze Block to the east and the Tibetan Plateau to the west (Fig. 1). The basement of the Yangtze Block in this region is composed of Paleoproterozoic to Mesoproterozoic Huili Group or Kunyang Group low-grade metasedimentary and metavolcanic rocks, and Neoproterozoic metamorphic rocks of amphibolite to granulite facies (the Kangding Complex). In the larger Emeishan region the Yangtze basement is overlain by a thick sequence of Neoproterozoic metasedimentary rocks which in turn are overlain by Paleozoic carbonates and then by Permian continental

flood basalts. Triassic continental and marine sedimentary rocks and Jurassic-Cretaceous continental sediments are present locally. Rodinian (830–740 Ma) intrusive and extrusive rocks with compositions varying from ultramafic to felsic have been found in the western margin of the Yangtze block (e.g., Li et al., 2003, 2006; Zhou et al., 2006; Zhu et al., 2006).

The Emeishan large igneous province and associated Fe-Ti-V oxide ore deposits

The distribution and compositional variations of the Emeishan large igneous province have been described in many previous studies (e.g., Chung and Jahn, 1995; Xu et al., 2001, 2007; Xiao et al., 2004; Zhang et al., 2006, 2008). A brief summary based on the previous studies is given below. The Emeishan large igneous province is composed of picrites, flood basalts, rhyolitic/trachytic flows, mafic-ultramafic layered intrusions, granites, and syenites. The volcanic sequence covers an area exceeding 5×10^5 km². The thickness of the volcanic sequence varies from several hundred meters in the eastern part to >5,000 m in the western part. Both tholeiitic and alkaline basalts are present in the volcanic sequence. They have been divided into high Ti ($\text{TiO}_2 > 2.5$ wt %, $\text{Ti/Y} > 500$) and low Ti ($\text{TiO}_2 < 2.5$ wt %, $\text{Ti/Y} < 500$) basalts by some

researchers (Xu et al., 2001; Xiao et al., 2004). Other researchers have questioned the usefulness of such classification for the Emeishan flood basalts (Hanski et al., 2010; He et al., 2010; Hou et al., 2011a; Kamenetsky et al., 2012; Li et al., 2012). He et al. (2010) pointed out that part of the Emeishan basalts with intermediate TiO_2 contents (e.g., $\text{TiO}_2 = 2\text{--}3.5$ wt % in whole rock) are close to the boundary of low and high Ti series. Such basalts intermediate between the high and low Ti end members strongly suggest a compositional continuum in TiO_2 over significant ranges of MgO (Kamenetsky et al., 2012). Common phenocrysts in the basalts and associated picrites are clinopyroxene plus plagioclase and olivine plus Cr spinel, respectively. The groundmass of these high to low Ti volcanic rocks are composed of small plagioclase and clinopyroxene crystals with diameter $< 100 \mu\text{m}$ and micro-Fe-Ti oxides with diameters $< 40 \mu\text{m}$.

Some of the mafic-ultramafic layered intrusions in the Emeishan large igneous province host important Fe-Ti oxide ore deposits in their lower or middle parts. They are exposed along the N-S-trending major faults in the Panxi region due to significant uplift and erosion in this region (Fig. 2). The most important Fe-Ti oxide ore-bearing intrusions in the region are the Hongge (Fig. 3), Panzhihua (Fig. 4), Xinjie, Baima, and

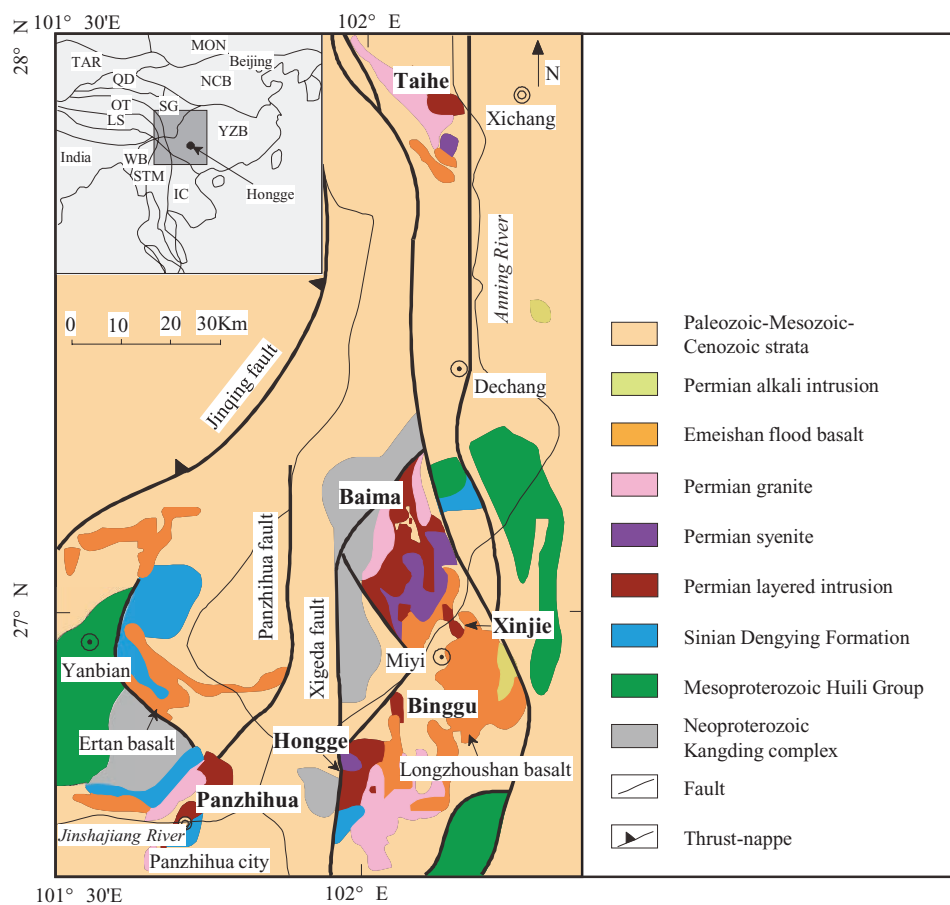


FIG. 2. Regional geologic map of the Pan-Xi region, showing the locations of the mafic-ultramafic layered intrusions that host important Fe-Ti-V oxide ore deposits (modified after Liu et al. 1985, and Bai et al., 2012b). Inset shows major tectonic units in China and the study area (modified after Chung and Jahn, 1995). Abbreviations: HI = Himalayan, IC = Indochina, LS = Lhasa, MON = Mongolia, NCB = North China block, QD = Qaidam, QT = Qiangtang, SG = Songpan-Ganze accretionary complex, STM = Shan-Thai-Malay, TAR = Tarim, WB = West Burma, YZB = Yangtze block.

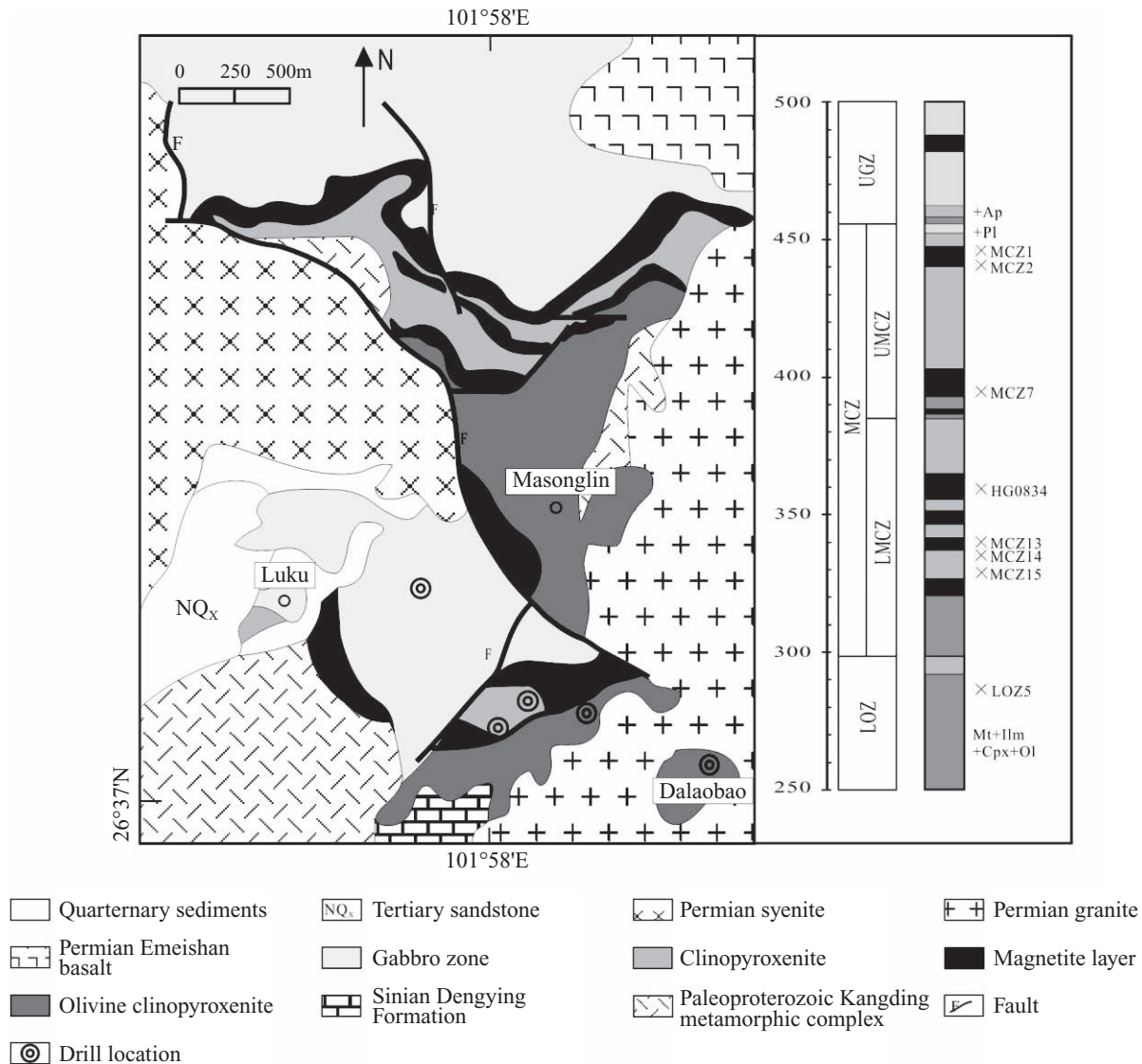


FIG. 3. Simplified geologic map of the Hongge intrusion (modified from Yao et al., 1993, and Bai et al., 2012b) and a composite stratigraphic column with sample locations. Abbreviations: LOZ = lower olivine clinopyroxenite zone, LMCZ = lower subzone of the middle clinopyroxenite zone, UGZ = upper gabbro zone, UMCZ = upper subzone of middle clinopyroxenite zone.

Taihe intrusions. These five intrusions together contain a total ore reserve of $\sim 7,209$ Mt Fe_2O_3 , ~ 559 Mt TiO_2 , and ~ 17.4 Mt V_2O_3 with grades of 27 wt % FeO , 10.6 wt % TiO_2 , and 0.24 wt % V_2O_3 (Ma et al., 2003; Zhong et al., 2005). Recently, zircon U-Pb dating results reveal that the mafic-ultramafic intrusions have a crystallization age of ~ 260 Ma (263 ± 3 Ma for Panzhuhua, 259.3 ± 1.3 Ma for Hongge, 259 ± 3 Ma for Xinjie; Zhou et al., 2002, 2005, 2008; Zhong and Zhu, 2006), which is similar to the zircon U-Pb age (259.6 ± 5.9 Ma) of the associated flood basalts in the region (Fan et al., 2004, 2008; Lai et al., 2012).

Lithology of the Hongge and Panzhuhua Intrusions

Hongge intrusion

The 16-km-long, 3- to 6-km-wide, and 1.2-km-thick Hongge layered intrusion (Fig. 3) has a zircon U-Pb age of $259.3 \pm$

1.3 Ma (Zhong and Zhu, 2006). The geology of the Hongge intrusion has been described in details by Zhong et al. (2002, 2003), Bai et al. (2012a, b), and Wang et al. (2013). A brief description is given below. The Hongge intrusion intruded limestones of the Sinian Dengying Formation and granitic gneisses of the Neoproterozoic Kangding Complex. The limestones in direct contact with the intrusion were metamorphosed to marbles (PXGT, 1987). The northeastern part of the intrusion is covered by ~ 180 -m-thick flood basalts. Late Permian alkaline granites and alkaline syenites cut across the northwestern contact zone between the Hongge intrusion and its country rocks. Based on cumulus mineral stratigraphy, the Hongge intrusion is divided into a lower olivine clinopyroxenite zone, a middle clinopyroxenite zone, and an upper gabbro zone (PXGT, 1987). The middle clinopyroxenite zone is further divided into two subzones, lower subzones of the middle clinopyroxenite zone at the bottom and upper subzones of the

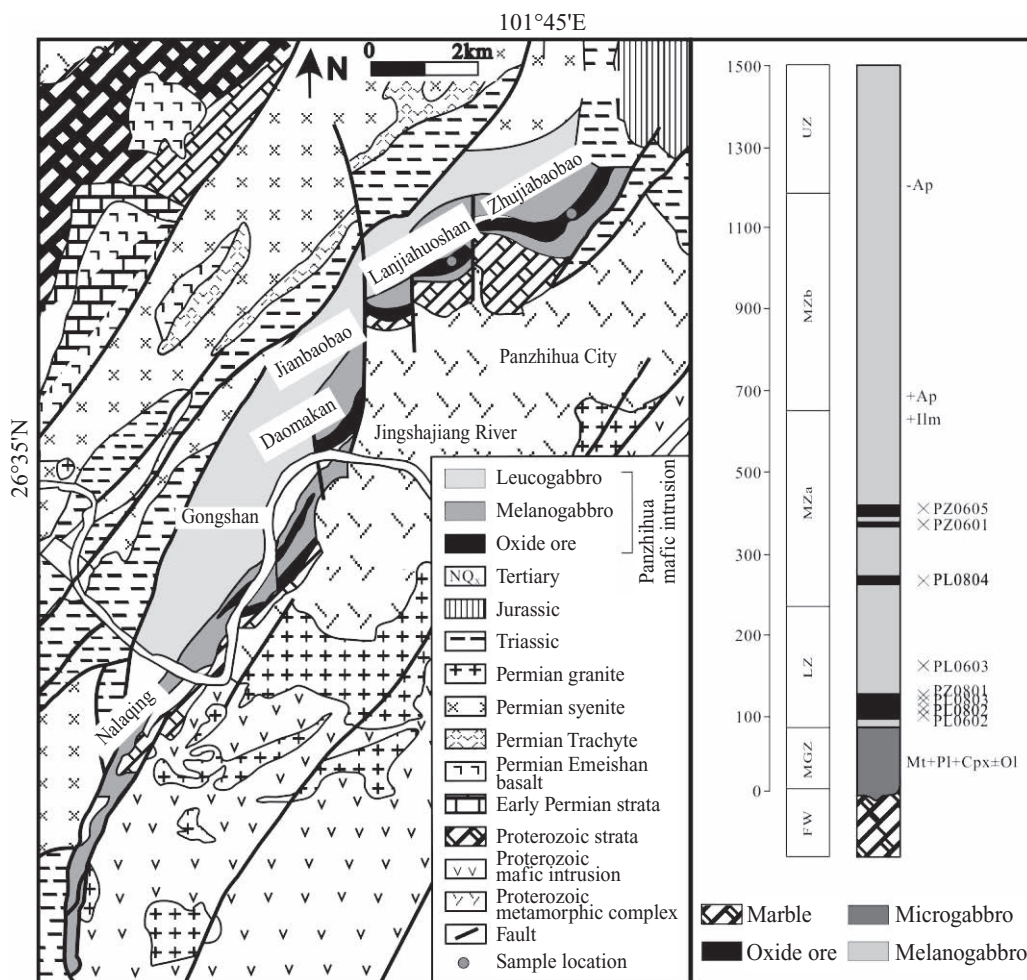


FIG. 4. Simplified geologic map of the Panzihua intrusion (modified after Zhou et al., 2005) and a composite stratigraphic column (modified after Pang et al., 2009) with sample locations. Abbreviations: FW = footwall, MGZ = Marginal zone, LZ = Lower zone, MZA = Middle zone a; MZb = Middle zone b, UZ = Upper zone.

middle clinopyroxenite zone at the top (Zhong et al., 2002). The bases of the lower olivine clinopyroxenite zone and two subzones of the middle clinopyroxenite zone are marked by the appearance of olivine, whereas the base of the upper gabbro zone is marked by the appearance of abundant euhedral apatite. Fe-Ti oxide orebodies mainly occur in the lower and middle parts of the two subzones of the middle clinopyroxenite zone (Fig. 3) as concordant layers with variable thickness.

The lower olivine clinopyroxenite zone is ~340 m thick and composed mainly of ultramafic rocks. Olivine clinopyroxenite is predominant in the lower part of this zone. Minor clinopyroxenite is present in the upper part. In addition to olivine and clinopyroxene, the rocks also contain small amounts of interstitial amphibole and plagioclase. Olivine occurs as inclusions within clinopyroxene crystals as well as interlocking grains with clinopyroxene. The Fe-Ti oxides are composed of cumulus titanomagnetite and ilmenite, as euhedral to rounded grains between olivine and clinopyroxene or as inclusions or partial inclusions within the olivine and clinopyroxene. The total amounts of the Fe-Ti oxides are commonly less than 20 modal % in this zone and are thus subeconomic (Wang et al., 2013). The middle clinopyroxenite zone is ~150 m thick.

It is composed of clinopyroxenite layers intercalated with concordant Fe-Ti oxide ore horizons. Some olivine and clinopyroxene crystals in this zone contain small rounded ilmenite and titanomagnetite inclusions (Fig. 5a, b). The modal proportion of the ilmenite inclusions is higher than that of the titanomagnetite inclusions. The total Fe-Ti oxides in this zone vary from less than 20 modal % in subeconomic ores to more than 85 modal % in massive ores. Both euhedral to rounded cumulus titanomagnetite and ilmenite crystals are present in all the rocks of the lower olivine clinopyroxenite zone and the middle clinopyroxenite zone (Fig. 5c). Generally, the proportions of ilmenite in the total Fe-Ti oxides increase with the decrease of total Fe-Ti oxides from about 15 to 20 modal % in massive ores to more than 50 modal % in subeconomic ores. The massive Fe-Ti-V oxide layers are up to 84 m thick and account for >70% of the Hongge Fe-Ti-V oxide ore deposit. Oxides in the massive ore samples are much coarser than in disseminated ores, closely packed, and commonly exhibit a dihedral angle close to 120° between grains (Bai et al., 2012b). There is about ~2,000 to 6,000 ppm V present in the titanomagnetite in this zone. The clinopyroxene in the middle clinopyroxenite zone commonly contains ilmenite exsolution lamellae [100] planes

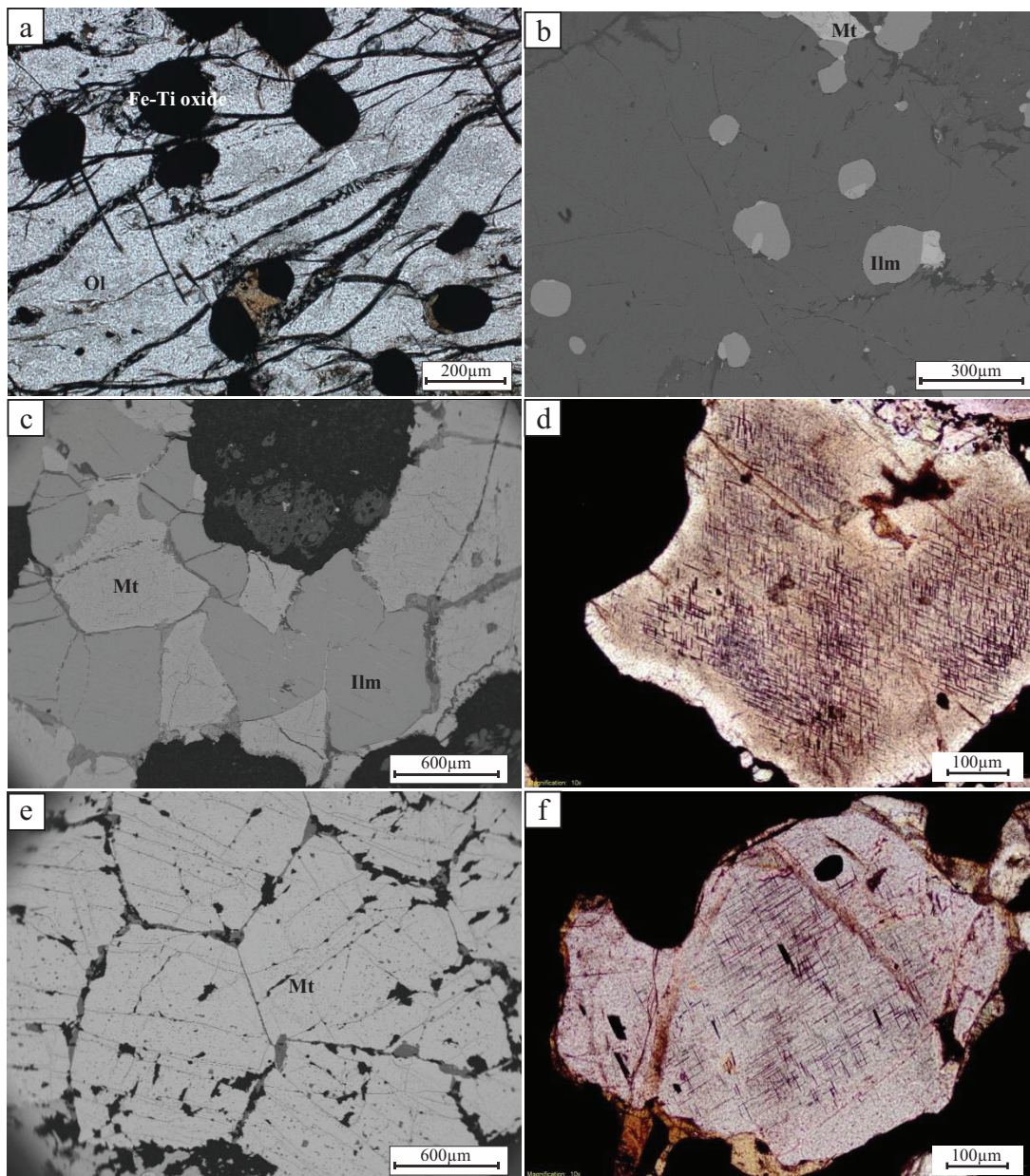


FIG. 5. Microphotographs and BSE images of Fe-Ti oxides from the Hongge and Panzihua deposits. a, b. Small, rounded ilmenite and magnetite inclusions in olivine from the Hongge intrusion. c. Abundant ilmenite and magnetite cumulate assemblages in ore-rich olivine clinopyroxenite layers in the Hongge intrusion. d. Ilmenite exsolutions in clinopyroxene from the Hongge intrusion. e. Massive titanomagnetite ores from the Panzihua deposit. f. Ilmenite exsolutions in clinopyroxene from the Panzihua intrusion.

(Fig. 5d). The upper gabbro zone is ~780 m thick. Distinct, euhedral apatite up to 15% occurs as a cumulus phase from the bottom of this zone. Some plagioclase and olivine crystals contain small apatite inclusions. The amounts of Fe-Ti oxides in this zone mainly vary from 5 to 35% and locally increase to form economic ore layers. The modals of apatite are higher in olivine-, clinopyroxene-, and Fe-Ti oxides-rich rocks than those in leucogabbro.

These oxide layers and their host rocks in the lower olivine clinopyroxenite zone and the middle clinopyroxenite zone of the Hongge intrusion contain elevated Ni (~0.10 wt %), Co

(~0.02 wt %), and Cu (~0.04 wt %) due to the presence of 0.5 to 3.5% disseminated sulfides (PXGT, 1987). Pyrrhotite is the major sulfide mineral, accounting for ~90% of the sulfide assemblages. Other minor sulfides include pentlandite, pyrite, chalcocopyrite, and cubanite. The Hongge intrusion exhibits PGE-depleted patterns compared with the coeval Emeishan picritic lavas, indicating that the sulfides formed by second-stage sulfide liquid segregation from the PGE-depleted magma and that the oxidation state of the Hongge magmatic system was more reduced than QFM +1.5 (Bai et al., 2012a).

Panzhuhua intrusion

The 19-km-long and 2-km-thick Panzhuhua intrusion (Fig. 4) has a zircon U-Pb age of 263 ± 3 Ma (Zhou et al., 2005). The geology of the intrusion has been described in detail by Zhou et al. (2005) and Pang et al. (2008a, b, 2009) and important features are summarized here. The surface exposure covers an area of ~ 30 km². The immediate country rocks are almost exclusively the late Neoproterozoic dolomitic limestones of the Dengying Formation. The intrusion is divided into four zones: a Marginal zone, a Lower zone, a Middle zone, and an Upper zone. The Middle zone has been further divided into subzones A (lower) and B. The ~ 40 -m-thick Marginal zone is ~ 40 m thick and composed of hornblende-bearing microgabbro intercalated with olivine gabbro. Marble xenoliths are common in the lower part of this zone. In addition to olivine, clinopyroxene, and plagioclase, minor amounts of hornblende and Fe-Ti oxides are also present in this zone. The ~ 110 -m-thick Lower zone is composed of alternating gabbro, melagabbro, and massive oxide layers. The gabbro of the Lower zone consists of $\sim 40\%$ cumulus clinopyroxene, $\sim 45\%$ plagioclase, ~ 10 to 15% Fe-Ti oxides, and minor olivine (Song et al., 2013). The Fe-Ti oxides increase gradually up to 85% to form the massive ore layers (Fig. 5e). The massive Fe-Ti oxide ore layers, up to 60 m thick, are mostly restricted to the lower part of this zone. In a few places the massive oxide layers extend from the Lower zone into the Marginal zone. The 300-m-thick Middle zone a is composed of melagabbros with silicate modal composition similar to those in the Lower zone. However, the melagabbros in the Middle zone a have smaller grain sizes and less Fe-Ti oxides than the Lower zone melagabbros. The ore layers in the base of the Middle zone a are 10 m thick. Similar to that in the Hongge intrusion, the clinopyroxene in the Lower zone and Middle zone a of the Panzhuhua intrusion also contains ilmenite exsolution lamellae along the [100] planes (Fig. 5f). The 600-m-thick Middle zone b is marked by appearance of cumulus apatite (up to $\sim 5\%$) and mainly composed of leucogabbros. Olivine also becomes more abundant (10 – 15%) in this zone (Pang et al., 2008a). The 500- to 1,500-m-thick Upper zone is composed of gabbros and gabbrodiorites. Apatite is absent in the Upper zone. The oxide assemblage in the Marginal zone, Lower zone, and Middle zone a is dominated by titanomagnetite, and ilmenite is rare in these zones (Fig. 5e). In contrast, the Middle zone b and the Upper zone consist of both titanomagnetite and ilmenite in subequal amounts but no ore-grade layer is present in these zones (Pang et al., 2008a).

Similar to the Hongge intrusion, magmatic sulfides are present in the Panzhuhua intrusion. The sulfide (dominated by pyrrhotite) abundance in the gabbroic rocks and Fe-Ti oxide layers of the Panzhuhua intrusion is up to 5 vol %, but most are less than 2 vol % (Howarth and Prevec, 2013a). All the rocks in the Panzhuhua intrusion are depleted in PGE, indicating previous sulfide segregation at depth (Howarth and Prevec, 2013a).

Sampling and Analytical Methods

The intrusive rock samples used in this study were collected from the oxide ore-bearing lithologic units (zones) intercepted by drilling or exposed on the surface at Hongge

and Panzhuhua. The localities of these samples are shown in the composite lithologic columns in Figures. 3 and 4. The whole-rock, petrography, and electron microprobe data of the Hongge samples have been given in Zhong et al. (2002) and Bai et al. (2012b). The high Ti basalts and the intermediate Ti basalts were collected from outcrops in the Longzhoushan (Qi et al., 2008) and Ertan areas (Xu et al., 2001; Fig. 2), respectively. Polished thin sections from the samples were used for in situ mineral chemical analyses. The major plus minor element abundances of Fe-Ti oxides from the intrusive rocks and clinopyroxenes of basalts were determined by wavelength-dispersive X-ray analysis using a JXA-8100 electron microprobe at the State Key Laboratory of Lithospheric Evolution, Institute of Geology and Geophysics, Chinese Academy of Sciences, Beijing, and at the State Key Laboratory of Mineral Deposit Research, Nanjing University. The analytical conditions were 15-kV acceleration voltage, 20-nA beam current, and a beam size of $1\text{-}\mu\text{m}$ diam. Both natural and synthetic oxide and silicate mineral standards were used for calibration. Correction for the interference (peak overlap) of Ti on V was made based on the concentration of Ti in the analyzed minerals.

Major and trace element abundances in the cores of clinopyroxene of the intrusive rocks were determined by spot analysis using an LA-ICP-MS at the State Key Laboratory of Ore Deposit Geochemistry, Institute of Geochemistry, Chinese Academy of Sciences, Guiyang. The ²³Na, ²⁵Mg, ²⁷Al, ²⁹Si, ⁴²Ca, ⁴⁵Sc, ⁴⁹Ti, ⁵¹V, ⁵³Cr, ⁵⁵Mn, ⁵⁷Fe, ⁵⁹Co, ⁶⁰Ni, ⁶⁵Cu, ⁶⁶Zn, ⁷¹Ga, ⁸⁸Sr, ⁸⁹Y, ⁹⁰Zr, ⁹³Nb, ¹³⁹La, ¹⁴⁰Ce, ¹⁴¹Pr, ¹⁴³Nd, ¹⁴⁷Sm, ¹⁵¹Eu, ¹⁵⁵Gd, ¹⁵⁹Tb, ¹⁶³Dy, ¹⁶⁵Ho, ¹⁶⁶Er, ¹⁶⁹Tm, ¹⁷³Yb, ¹⁷⁵Lu, ¹⁷⁹Hf, ¹⁸¹Ta values were determined in clinopyroxene. The instrument conditions, analytical procedures, and data reduction are similar to those given in Liu et al. (2008). Laser sampling was performed using a GeoLasPro laser-ablation system. An Agilent 7700x ICP-MS instrument was used to acquire ion-signal intensities. Helium was applied as a carrier gas. Argon was used as the make-up gas and mixed with the carrier gas via a T connector before entering the ICP. Nitrogen was added into the central gas flow (Ar + He) of the Ar plasma to minimize the detection limit and to improve precision (Hu et al., 2008). The 193-nm ArF excimer laser, homogenized by a set of beam delivery systems, was focused on the target with the energy of 10 J/cm². A large beam size of 60 μm was used to ablate both the clinopyroxene and its ilmenite exsolution to avoid the effect of subsolidus exsolution on the clinopyroxene. Each analysis incorporated a background acquisition of approximately 20 to 30 s (gas blank) followed by 40-s data acquisition from the sample. The Agilent Chemstation was utilized for the acquisition of signals. Element abundances were calibrated using multiple reference materials (NIST610, BCR-2G, BIR-1G, and BHVO-2G, GSE-1G) without applying internal standardization (Liu et al., 2008). The reference materials of KL2-G and ML3B-G were analyzed in this study as unknown samples for monitoring the quality of the data. The preferred values of element concentrations for the USGS reference glasses are from the GeoReM database (<http://georem.mpch-mainz.gwdg.de/>). Off-line selection and integration of background and analytical signals, and time-drift correction and quantitative calibration were performed using the ICPMSDataCal software from Liu et al. (2008, 2010). As illustrated in Figure 6a and b, the

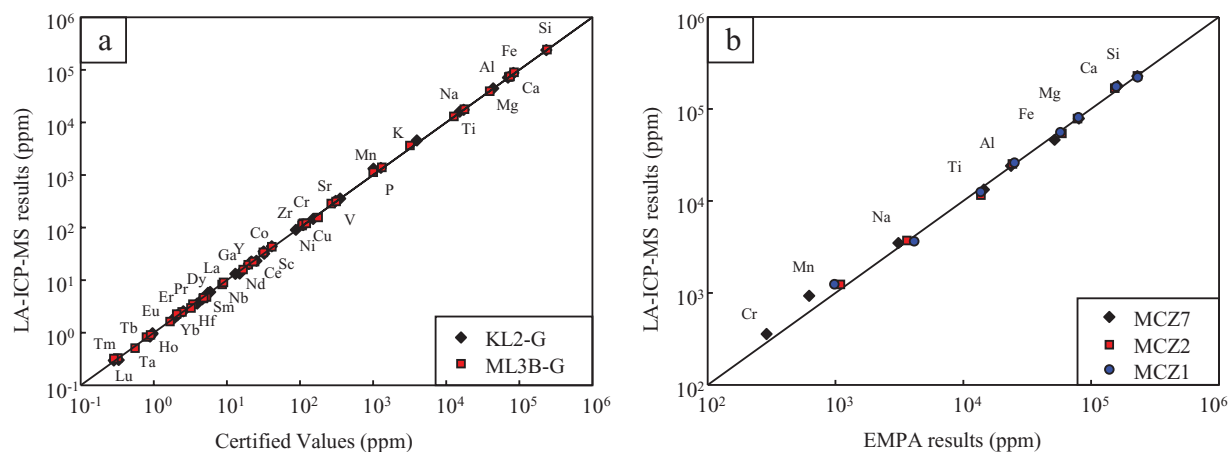


FIG. 6. Comparison of analytical results for international reference materials (a) and clinopyroxene (b).

precisions of the LA-ICP-MS procedure are better than 10% for most elements.

Analytical Results

Oxide inclusions

The compositions of small ilmenite and titanomagnetite crystals enclosed in olivine and clinopyroxene in the samples of the oxide cumulate layers and immediately below oxide cumulate layers in the lower olivine clinopyroxenite zone and the lower subzone of the middle clinopyroxenite zone of the Hongge intrusion are listed in Table 1. The thin (<20 m), subeconomic oxide layers in the lower olivine clinopyroxenite zone are not shown in the composite lithologic column for the Hongge intrusion in Figure 3. The oxide ore layers above sample MCZ14 are shown in Figure 3. The variations of MgO and TiO₂ contents in different types of ilmenite in the Hongge intrusion are shown in Figure 7. The compositions of

the ilmenite inclusions are generally similar to those reported by Pang et al. (2008a) but show more scatter than the previous dataset (Fig. 7). The MgO contents of ilmenite inclusions are lower than those of cumulus ilmenite from the overlying oxide cumulate layers (Fig. 7) due to the subsolidus Mg-Fe exchange reaction between ilmenite inclusions and host olivine crystals (Pang et al., 2009). The contents of V₂O₃ and Cr₂O₃ in ilmenite from the Hongge intrusion are below detection limits. The contents of Cr₂O₃ in titanomagnetite inclusions are up to 2.4 wt %, which are similar to the distinct titanomagnetite crystals from the same samples. The contents of Cr₂O₃ in titanomagnetite inclusions are the range of massive ores (0–4.62 wt %) but significantly lower than those of cumulus titanomagnetites in the base of each subzone (up to 13.8 wt %, Bai et al., 2012b). The contents of V₂O₃ in the Hongge titanomagnetite inclusions vary from 0.36 to 1.03 wt %, slightly higher than the V₂O₃ contents in the titanomagnetite of massive ores (0.24–0.75 wt %; Bai et al., 2012b).

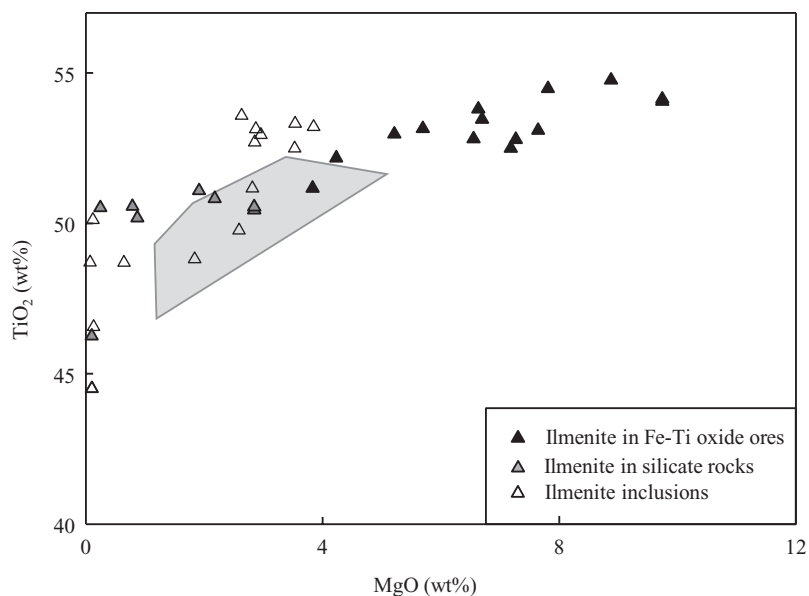


FIG. 7. Plots of MgO vs. TiO₂ contents in ilmenite inclusions from the Hongge intrusion. The compositions of ilmenite in Fe-Ti-V oxide ores and silicate rocks are from Bai et al. (2012b); gray field represents the compositional range of ilmenite inclusions reported by Pang et al. (2008a).

TABLE 1. Compositions of Ilmenite and Magnetite Inclusions in Olivine and Clinopyroxene from the Hongge Intrusion

Sample Rock type	Hongge-LOZ5 Olivine clinopyroxenite							Hongge-MCZ14 Clinopyroxenite							
	Ilmenite							Magnetite		Ilmenite					
Oxide mineral	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	1	2	3	4	5	6
Grain															
Host	Ol							Cpx							
Host Fo/Mg#	75 ¹							75 ¹							
MgO	1.84	2.86	2.96	2.87	2.63	2.59	3.53	0.53	0.45	0.10	0.12	0.64	0.13	0.13	0.07
Al ₂ O ₃	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.02	0.03	0.73	0.87	0.00	0.01	0.04	0.00	0.11	0.02
NiO	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.13	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.00	0.02	0.02
TiO ₂	48.81	52.70	52.94	53.14	53.59	49.77	52.50	3.98	2.46	44.51	50.12	48.70	46.85	46.56	48.70
FeO	42.06	42.48	42.59	42.60	43.10	41.26	41.52	33.64	32.63	43.60	46.07	45.04	43.87	45.25	45.83
Fe ₂ O ₃	4.75	1.91	1.91	1.51	1.14	3.87	2.60	56.62	59.97	9.15	2.88	4.9	5.99	7.5	4.28
V ₂ O ₃	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MnO	0.70	0.67	0.60	0.71	0.69	0.66	0.58	0.15	0.08	0.38	0.74	0.39	0.72	0.43	0.55
Cr ₂ O ₃	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.06	0.00	2.38	2.36	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total	98.22	100.61	101.00	100.88	101.15	98.23	100.76	99.05	99.99	97.79	99.94	99.72	97.56	99.98	99.47
Mg	0.069	0.097	0.108	0.105	0.096	0.104	0.128	0.029	0.024	0.004	0.005	0.024	0.005	0.005	0.003
Al	0.001	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.032	0.037	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.003	0.001
Ni	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.004	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Ti	0.929	0.942	0.972	0.978	0.986	0.972	0.962	0.110	0.067	0.860	0.950	0.921	0.909	0.880	0.927
Fe ²⁺	0.890	0.868	0.870	0.872	0.882	0.872	0.846	1.031	0.990	0.937	0.971	0.947	0.947	0.951	0.970
Fe ³⁺	0.096	0.078	0.037	0.030	0.022	0.038	0.051	1.663	1.744	0.189	0.058	0.099	0.124	0.151	0.087
V	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.062	0.063	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Mn	0.015	0.014	0.012	0.015	0.014	0.014	0.012	0.004	0.002	0.008	0.016	0.008	0.016	0.009	0.012
Cr	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.069	0.068	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Total	2.000	2.000	2.000	2.000	2.000	2.000	2.000	3.000	3.000	2.000	2.000	2.000	2.000	2.000	2.000
Sample Rock type	Hongge-MCZ14 clinopyroxenite				Hongge-MCZ2 ore										
Oxide mineral	Magnetite			Ilmenite				Magnetite							
Grain	1	2	3	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	5			
Host	Cpx							Cpx							
Host Fo/Mg#	75 ¹							77							
MgO	0.06	0.19	0.22	2.82	3.85	4.64	3.54	1.59	0.75	0.12	0.28	1.87			
Al ₂ O ₃	0.31	0.33	0.33	0.01	0.01	0.04	0.02	1.50	2.35	0.37	0.83	2.06			
NiO	0.07	0.06	0.06	0.00	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.06	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02			
TiO ₂	0.08	0.02	0.09	51.17	53.21	53.43	53.32	10.62	11.50	1.96	3.55	11.69			
FeO	30.96	30.74	30.73	40.97	40.54	40.42	41.21	38.21	40.12	32.70	34.21	38.64			
Fe ₂ O ₃	67.46	67.60	67.39	2.39	1.39	1.72	0.77	46.52	42.62	63.97	60.94	43.55			
V ₂ O ₃	0.75	0.93	0.85	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.56	0.59	0.77	0.67	0.46			
MnO	0.00	0.01	0.00	1.10	1.03	0.37	0.94	0.26	0.34	0.06	0.02	0.30			
Cr ₂ O ₃	0.12	0.06	0.11	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.08	0.00	0.00			
Total	99.79	99.94	99.77	98.45	100.07	100.62	99.79	99.32	98.27	100.03	100.50	98.57			
Mg	0.003	0.010	0.012	0.105	0.141	0.168	0.130	0.086	0.041	0.007	0.015	0.102			
Al	0.013	0.014	0.014	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.001	0.064	0.102	0.016	0.036	0.089			
Ni	0.002	0.002	0.002	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.001			
Ti	0.002	0.001	0.003	0.964	0.980	0.972	0.987	0.290	0.318	0.054	0.097	0.320			
Fe ²⁺	0.948	0.937	0.939	0.859	0.830	0.818	0.848	1.161	1.235	0.999	1.038	1.178			
Fe ³⁺	1.981	1.976	1.975	0.048	0.027	0.033	0.015	1.355	1.257	1.873	1.773	1.273			
V	0.046	0.057	0.052	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.034	0.037	0.048	0.041	0.028			
Mn	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.023	0.021	0.008	0.020	0.008	0.011	0.002	0.001	0.009			
Cr	0.003	0.002	0.003	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.002	0.000	0.000			
Total	3.000	3.000	3.000	2.000	2.000	2.000	2.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000			

Notes: Ol = olivine, Cpx = clinopyroxene; LOZ = lower olivine clinopyroxenite zone, MCZ = middle clinopyroxenite zone

¹ From Bai et al. (2012b)

Clinopyroxene compositions

The average compositions of clinopyroxene from the oxide ore-bearing units (zones) of the Hongge and Panzhihua intrusions, together with the results for the international standards analyzed at the same times, are listed in Table 2. The complete

results are given as electronic supplementary material (ESM-1). The Mg number [$\text{Mg}/(\text{Mg} + \text{Fe}^{\text{total}})$, molar], TiO_2 , and Al_2O_3 contents of clinopyroxene in the Emeishan flood basalts in the Pan-Xi region are also provided as electronic supplementary material (sample ESM-2). A comparison of Mg

TABLE 2. Average Major and Trace Element Abundances in Core of Clinopyroxene from the Hongge and Panzhuhua Intrusions by Spot Analysis of LA-ICP-MS

Intrusion	Hongge						Panzhuhua				
Sample	MCZ15	MCZ13	HG0834	MCZ7	MCZ2	MCZ1	PL0602	PL0802	PL0803	PZ0801	PL0603
Zone	MCZa			MCZb			LZ				
Rock type	Cpx	Ore	Ol-cpx	Ore	Ore	Ore	Ore	Ore	Ore	Ore	Gb
No.	6	6	7	7	16	7	4	5	9	5	7
Major oxides (wt %)											
SiO ₂	49.19	51.02	51.54	48.60	48.96	47.15	51.84	50.48	50.75	52.11	50.09
TiO ₂	1.81	1.78	1.88	2.21	1.93	2.08	1.48	1.58	1.40	1.45	1.49
Al ₂ O ₃	4.20	3.59	4.40	4.55	4.76	4.91	4.32	3.59	3.31	3.22	4.24
FeO ^T	5.98	5.80	6.40	5.93	6.98	7.17	7.22	7.36	7.91	7.58	7.57
MnO	0.14	0.13	0.12	0.12	0.16	0.16	0.20	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.24
MgO	13.15	13.45	12.21	13.08	13.08	13.49	12.65	13.34	13.25	12.60	13.37
CaO	24.84	23.67	22.73	24.85	23.49	24.41	21.63	22.70	22.46	22.18	22.31
Na ₂ O	0.47	0.43	0.43	0.47	0.50	0.49	0.55	0.60	0.56	0.51	0.60
Mg#	80	81	77	80	77	77	76	77	75	75	76
Trace elements (ppm)											
Sc	67.4	61.6	58.3	68.1	57.3	53.8	89.5	77.8	81.6	85.5	87.0
V	308	293	293	327	327	335	280	274	258	250	269
Cr	587	16.4	1022	358	15.9	5.68	32.6	24.5	4.36	6.6	10.2
Co	39.2	38.0	33.6	37.5	34.5	34.1	42.4	40.4	40.0	38.9	40.3
Ni	91.7	68.1	171	78.3	18.8	17.6	17.7	5.95	5.36	5.69	8.12
Cu	0.86	0.81	4.48	1.18	0.69	0.58	1.81	0.75	0.86	0.64	0.90
Zn	33.4	30.5	32.5	28.9	36.4	36.8	33.1	36.2	39.4	48.1	36.2
Ga	10.1	8.51	9.87	10.5	11.1	12.1	9.82	11.4	9.18	9.18	10.1
Sr	178	156	164	144	157	185	55.8	72.7	56.0	59.7	56.2
Y	13.0	11.7	15.1	12.2	19.0	17.2	15.2	18.3	17.0	19.8	17.7
Zr	40.3	33.2	43.3	33.9	51.1	47.4	26.7	25.9	25.1	31.9	29.9
Nb	0.20	0.16	0.28	0.21	0.26	0.29	0.15	0.15	0.12	0.14	-
La	3.71	3.43	4.69	3.17	5.16	5.10	2.23	2.78	2.41	2.34	2.59
Ce	13.8	12.0	16.4	12.2	18.9	18.5	8.90	9.79	9.14	9.36	10.1
Pr	2.78	2.26	3.06	2.49	3.69	3.43	1.76	1.93	1.79	1.89	1.98
Nd	16.3	14.2	18.6	14.7	21.4	21.5	10.5	12.0	11.0	12.4	12.2
Sm	4.84	4.42	5.52	4.35	6.52	6.43	3.70	4.37	4.09	4.56	4.25
Eu	1.60	1.41	1.77	1.43	2.08	2.18	1.47	1.81	1.67	1.90	1.68
Gd	4.80	4.18	5.52	4.23	6.50	6.19	4.31	5.59	4.76	5.48	5.09
Tb	0.64	0.57	0.71	0.59	0.87	0.83	0.62	0.76	0.71	0.80	0.73
Dy	3.36	2.83	3.70	3.03	4.67	4.53	3.47	4.32	4.00	4.66	4.11
Ho	0.57	0.50	0.64	0.52	0.81	0.78	0.65	0.79	0.72	0.84	0.75
Er	1.35	1.12	1.46	1.27	1.95	1.63	1.48	1.78	1.71	1.99	1.76
Tm	0.16	0.11	0.17	0.13	0.22	0.20	0.17	0.23	0.20	0.21	0.20
Yb	0.83	0.72	1.04	0.78	1.26	1.09	1.11	1.29	1.33	1.40	1.28
Lu	0.12	0.10	0.12	0.10	0.16	0.14	0.16	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.17
Hf	2.10	1.80	2.24	1.98	2.66	2.52	1.30	1.43	1.36	1.58	1.46
Ta	0.039	0.036	0.058	0.043	0.052	0.063	0.036	0.032	0.020	0.023	0.020

number, TiO₂ and Al₂O₃ contents in different types of clinopyroxene is illustrated in Figure 8a and b. The results show that at a given Mg number, clinopyroxene phenocrysts from high Ti picrites (TiO₂ >2 wt % in whole rocks) have higher TiO₂ contents than those from intermediate Ti picrites (TiO₂ = 0.8–2 wt % in whole rocks; Kamenetsky et al., 2012). Similarly, at a given Mg number, clinopyroxene crystals from high Ti basalts (TiO₂ >3.5 wt % in whole rocks; e.g., Longzhoushan high TiO₂ basalt; Qi et al., 2008) contain higher TiO₂ than those from intermediate Ti basalts (TiO₂ = 2–3.5 wt % in whole rocks; e.g., the Ertan intermediate TiO₂ basalts; Xu et al., 2001). Our data also show that clinopyroxene phenocrysts of the basalts have higher Mg numbers than coexisting clinopyroxene crystals in the groundmass. Both types of clinopyroxene from each type of basalts collectively produce a clear, negative TiO₂–Mg number correlation that is consistent with

fractional crystallization. The average clinopyroxene Mg number and TiO₂ contents of individual samples from the oxide ore-bearing lithologic units (zones) of the Hongge intrusions are 77 to 81 and 1.7 to 2.2 wt%, respectively. These values are within the ranges of clinopyroxene crystals from coeval high Ti basalts (Fig. 8a). The average clinopyroxene Mg number and TiO₂ contents of individual samples from the oxide ore-bearing lithologic units (zones) of the Panzhuhua intrusions are 74 to 77 and 1.2 to 1.6 wt %, respectively. These values are within the ranges of clinopyroxene crystals from coeval intermediate Ti basalts (Fig. 8a). The Al content of clinopyroxene is an important control on partitioning of other elements (due to charge balance) and also an indicator of silica activity (Campbell and Borley, 1974). Generally, there is no clear correlation between Mg number and Al₂O₃ contents in clinopyroxene and no regular contrast of Al₂O₃ content between high

TABLE 2. (Cont.)

Intrusion	Panzhuhua						Reference material				
Sample	PL0804	PZ0601	PZ0605	BHVO-2G			BIR-1G			BCR-2G	
Zone	MCZa										
Rock type	Ore	Ore	Ore	Measured	Stdev	Certified	Measured	Stdev	Certified	Measured	Stdev
No.	3	6	6	4			4			4	
<u>Major oxides (wt %)</u>											
SiO	50.60	49.35	50.00	51.46	0.310	49.31	49.22	0.408	47.51	56.5	0.265
TiO ₂	1.26	1.42	1.53	2.52	0.018	2.72	0.86	0.005	0.9	2.12	0.005
Al ₂ O ₃	3.11	3.89	3.72	13.61	0.359	13.60	15.43	0.419	15.5	13.7	0.379
FeO _(total)	8.28	8.57	7.81	9.91	0.093	11.30	9.07	0.074	10.4	11.3	0.000
MnO	0.26	0.26	0.25	0.18	0.000	0.17	0.18	0.000	0.19	0.21	0.005
MgO	13.25	13.65	13.67	7.13	0.037	7.13	9.53	0.041	9.4	3.52	0.054
CaO	22.58	22.16	22.35	11.79	0.141	11.40	13.47	0.058	13.3	7.32	0.045
Na ₂ O	0.54	0.60	0.57	2.44	0.026	2.40	1.99	0.013	1.85	3.38	0.045
Mg#	74	74	76								
<u>Trace elements (ppm)</u>											
Sc	81.5	84.4	83.9	36.0	2.07	33.0	47.3	2.05	43	38.9	2.38
V	249	248	278	325	5.74	308	330	4.11	326	430	10.17
Cr	8.57	7.12	9.30	316	1.71	293	434	8.16	392	15.7	1.46
Co	40.3	37.9	38.6	47.0	0.801	44	55.7	1.05	52	38.2	1.10
Ni	6.52	4.77	9.52	130	1.50	116	187	2.65	178	11.6	0.79
Cu	0.90	2.27	0.57	135	1.26	127	133	2.87	119	16.8	1.66
Zn	39.8	39.8	43.6	121	4.79	102	89	0.435	78	162	5.00
Ga	9.11	10.4	11.1	24.6	0.465	22.0	17	0.173	15	23.7	0.275
Sr	58.7	58.3	55.6	389	10.5	396	107	1.29	109	346	6.35
Y	17.2	18.8	19.0	23.3	0.548	26.0	13.4	0.332	14.3	32.1	0.311
Zr	25.0	31.3	34.9	157	3.42	170	13	0.392	14	176	3.916
Nb	0.130	0.14	0.14	16.0	0.591	18.3	0.35	0.519	0.52	11.2	0.236
La	2.23	2.73	3.01	15.6	0.427	15.2	0.65	0.037	0.61	26.2	0.733
Ce	8.76	10.1	10.7	36.7	0.789	37.6	2.02	0.081	1.89	52.1	0.150
Pr	1.74	1.98	2.12	5.11	0.141	5.35	0.28	0.068	0.37	6.47	0.156
Nd	11.1	12.9	13.2	24.9	0.804	24.5	2.01	0.603	2.37	27.3	0.834
Sm	3.96	4.63	4.59	5.9	0.207	6.1	0.9	0.049	1.09	6.15	0.401
Eu	1.76	1.86	1.78	2.09	0.099	2.07	0.64	0.029	0.517	2.4	0.156
Gd	4.84	5.46	5.49	6.31	0.271	6.16	1.48	0.150	1.85	7.04	0.700
Tb	0.69	0.75	0.78	0.93	0.025	0.92	0.31	0.024	0.35	1	0.037
Dy	4.08	4.38	4.37	4.85	0.225	5.28	2.34	0.090	2.55	6.48	0.382
Ho	0.73	0.81	0.84	0.89	0.079	0.98	0.56	0.030	0.56	1.24	0.074
Er	1.72	1.86	1.88	2.27	0.145	2.56	1.42	0.176	1.7	3.61	0.176
Tm	0.20	0.22	0.24	0.31	0.030	0.34	0.25	0.013	0.24	0.5	0.017
Yb	1.26	1.35	1.33	2.19	0.091	2.01	1.44	0.085	1.64	3.43	0.344
Lu	0.15	0.17	0.19	0.24	0.028	0.28	0.24	0.026	0.25	0.43	0.052
Hf	1.30	1.51	1.82	4.40	0.182	4.32	0.54	0.132	0.57	4.83	0.318
Ta	0.015	0.028	0.025	1.11	0.056	1.15	0.022	0.023	0.036	0.73	0.017

and intermediate Ti basalts (Fig. 8b). At a given Mg number, clinopyroxenes from the Hongge intrusion have slight higher Al₂O₃ contents than those from the Panzhuhua intrusion but overlap each other. Similarly, at a given Mg number, the Al₂O₃ content of clinopyroxene crystals from high Ti basalts (TiO₂ >3.5 wt % in whole rocks; e.g., Longzhoushan high TiO₂ basalts; Qi et al., 2008) overlap those from intermediate Ti basalts (TiO₂ = 2–3.5 wt % in whole rocks; e.g., the Ertan intermediate TiO₂ basalts; Xu et al., 2001). In contrast, at a given Mg number, clinopyroxene phenocrysts from high Ti picrites (TiO₂ >2 wt % in whole rocks) have much lower Al₂O₃ contents than those from intermediate Ti picrites (TiO₂ = 0.8–2 wt % in whole rocks; Kamenetsky et al., 2012; Fig. 8b). As shown in Figure 9, clinopyroxene crystals from the Hongge and Panzhuhua oxide ore-bearing lithologic units (zones) have different Cr, V, Nb, Zr, Ce, and Nd concentrations. The

highly variable Cr contents in clinopyroxene and magnetite of the Hongge intrusion are probably due to fractional crystallization of Fe-Ti oxides. Chrome partitions strongly into magnetite due to its high partition coefficient between magnetite and silicate melt ($D_{Cr}^{Mf/liq} = 153$, Rollinson, 1993). As a result, Cr would decrease quickly in the residual magma during fractional crystallization of magnetite (McCarthy and Cawthorn, 1983).

At a given Mg number, the concentrations of the incompatible elements in clinopyroxene tend to be higher for the Hongge intrusion than those for the Panzhuhua intrusion (Fig. 9). The clinopyroxene crystals from the Hongge oxide ore-bearing units show more fractionated REE patterns than those from Panzhuhua (Fig. 10a). The trace element patterns of clinopyroxenes from these two intrusions are also different (Fig. 10b). Specifically, the abundances of high field strength

TABLE 2. (Cont.)

Intrusion			Reference material								D.L.
Sample	BCR-2G	GSE-1G	KL2-G			ML3B-G					
Zone											
Rock type	Certified	Measured	Stdev	Certified	Measured	Stdev	Certified	Measured	Stdev	Certified	
No.	4			8			8				
<u>Major oxides (wt %)</u>											
SiO	54.41	55.4	0.294	53.7	50.85	0.381	50.30	52.02	0.509	51.40	0.0878
TiO ₂	2.35	0.07	0.001	0.08	2.67	0.052	2.56	2.17	0.056	2.13	0.0010
Al ₂ O ₃	13.4	13.6	0.386	13	13.42	0.376	13.30	13.77	0.453	13.60	0.0005
FeO _(total)	12.4	11.2	0.082	12.7	11.20	0.524	10.70	11.49	0.581	10.90	0.0048
MnO	0.2	0.08	0.001	0.08	0.18	0.005	0.17	0.18	0.000	0.17	0.0002
MgO	3.56	3.4	0.077	3.48	7.35	0.172	7.34	6.55	0.135	6.59	0.0055
CaO	7.06	7.62	0.117	7.42	10.89	0.177	10.90	10.51	0.139	10.50	0.0689
Na ₂ O	3.23	4.26	0.017	3.91	2.33	0.030	2.35	2.40	0.019	2.40	0.0048
Mg#											
<u>Trace elements (ppm)</u>											
Sc	33	523	11.15	530	34.9	2.17	31.8	33.9	1.97	31.6	0.10
V	425	425	7.14	440	320	8.32	309	287	6.27	268	0.023
Cr	17	408	7.14	400	303	8.40	294	156	5.63	177	0.43
Co	38	386	2.08	380	43.9	0.66	41.2	43.2	0.991	41.2	0.026
Ni	13	461	3.86	440	114	5.83	112	109	3.40	107	0.34
Cu	21	392	9.33	380	90.5	2.97	87.9	121	4.54	112	0.46
Zn	125	491	12.48	460	111	4.50	110	117	4.78	108	0.43
Ga	23	582	4.08	490	20.3	0.790	20.0	19.7	0.528	19.6	0.042
Sr	342	457	10.47	447	356	7.70	356	313	8.77	312	0.020
Y	35	418	5.44	410	23.3	0.614	25.4	22.5	0.583	23.9	0.014
Zr	184	408	6.03	410	146	3.65	152	121	2.95	122	0.028
Nb	12.5	398	9.22	420	13.4	0.583	15.0	8.29	0.241	8.61	0.014
La	24.7	416	9.46	392	13.2	0.480	13.1	9.04	0.444	8.99	0.011
Ce	53.3	417	2.38	414	31.8	0.729	32.4	22.5	0.608	23.1	0.010
Pr	6.7	452	9.00	460	4.32	0.208	4.60	3.50	0.155	3.43	0.012
Nd	28.9	461	2.94	453	22.6	1.07	21.6	15.9	0.676	16.7	0.063
Sm	6.59	494	5.50	488	5.72	0.469	5.54	4.50	0.342	4.75	0.130
Eu	1.97	435	6.48	410	1.93	0.12	1.92	1.63	0.072	1.67	0.027
Gd	6.71	510	8.54	490	5.94	0.283	5.92	4.76	0.302	5.26	0.056
Tb	1.02	507	8.35	480	0.85	0.072	0.89	0.83	0.035	0.80	0.015
Dy	6.44	525	11.20	524	5.07	0.194	5.22	4.62	0.435	4.84	0.067
Ho	1.27	520	10.72	501	0.98	0.024	0.96	0.91	0.060	0.91	0.014
Er	3.7	476	41.62	595	2.56	0.260	2.54	2.48	0.183	2.44	0.021
Tm	0.51	507	7.79	500	0.30	0.030	0.33	0.33	0.023	0.32	0.015
Yb	3.39	526	6.13	520	2.15	0.244	2.10	2.27	0.169	2.06	0.042
Lu	0.5	529	13.28	518	0.30	0.024	0.29	0.32	0.052	0.29	0.011
Hf	4.84	414	13.44	395	3.59	0.358	3.93	2.96	0.177	3.22	0.054
Ta	0.78	426	8.70	390	0.95	0.057	0.96	0.51	0.043	0.56	0.007

Abbreviations: Ore = Fe-Ti oxide ore, Cpx = clinopyroxenite, Ol-cpx = olivine clinopyroxenite, Gb = gabbro, Stdev = standard deviation, DL = detection limit; Mg# = $[100^{\circ}\text{MgO}/(\text{MgO} + \text{FeO}_{(\text{total})})]$, molar]; MCZa = middle clinopyroxenite zone a, MCZb = middle clinopyroxenite zone b

trace element are higher in clinopyroxene from the Hongge intrusion than those from Panzhihua.

Modeling and Discussion

Origin of ilmenite inclusions in olivine and clinopyroxene

Pang et al. (2008a) concluded that ilmenite-magnetite inclusions in the Hongge intrusion and magnetite inclusions in the Panzhihua intrusion are neither xenocrysts nor immiscible melt but primocrysts entrapped by olivine and clinopyroxene during crystallization. Experiments have shown that ilmenite can crystallize directly from high Ti basaltic magma (Snyder et al., 1993; Toplis and Carroll, 1995; Botcharnikov

et al., 2008). In mafic intrusions, ilmenite may also form by subsolidus exsolution from Fe-Ti spinel on cooling. Ilmenite inclusions within olivine and clinopyroxene crystals and ilmenite cumulates in mafic intrusions are commonly regarded as textural evidence for the former, whereas exsolution lamellae or fine-grained intergrowth with magnetite are used as textural evidence for the latter (e.g., Cawthorn et al., 1985, 1989; Cawthorn and Biggar, 1993; Pang et al., 2008a, b). Ilmenite phenocrysts have been found in picritic basalts elsewhere in the world such as the Karoo flood basalt province (Cawthorn et al., 1989) and the Siberian and Deccan Traps (Murari et al., 1993). In the Hongge intrusion, the occurrence of ilmenite inclusions in olivine (Fig. 5a, b) is consistent with

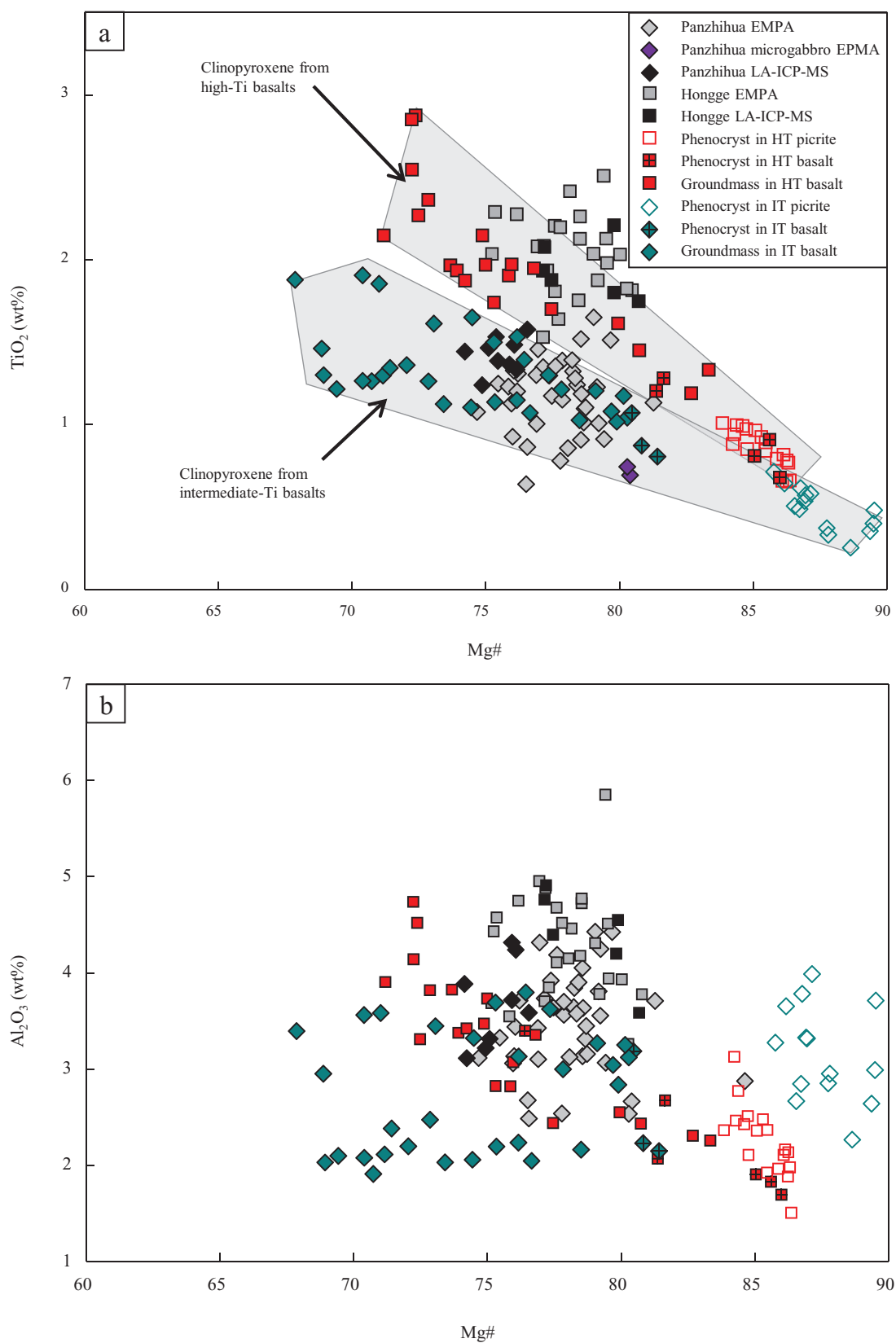


FIG. 8. Comparison of clinopyroxene TiO_2 -Mg number relationships for the Hongge and Panzihua intrusions, and coeval volcanic rocks. The results determined by EMPA for the Hongge and Panzihua intrusions are from Bai et al. (2012b) and Pang et al. (2009). The compositions of clinopyroxene in the Emeishan picrites are from Kamenetsky et al. (2012). The compositions of clinopyroxene in the selected basaltic samples are given in supplementary Table 2.

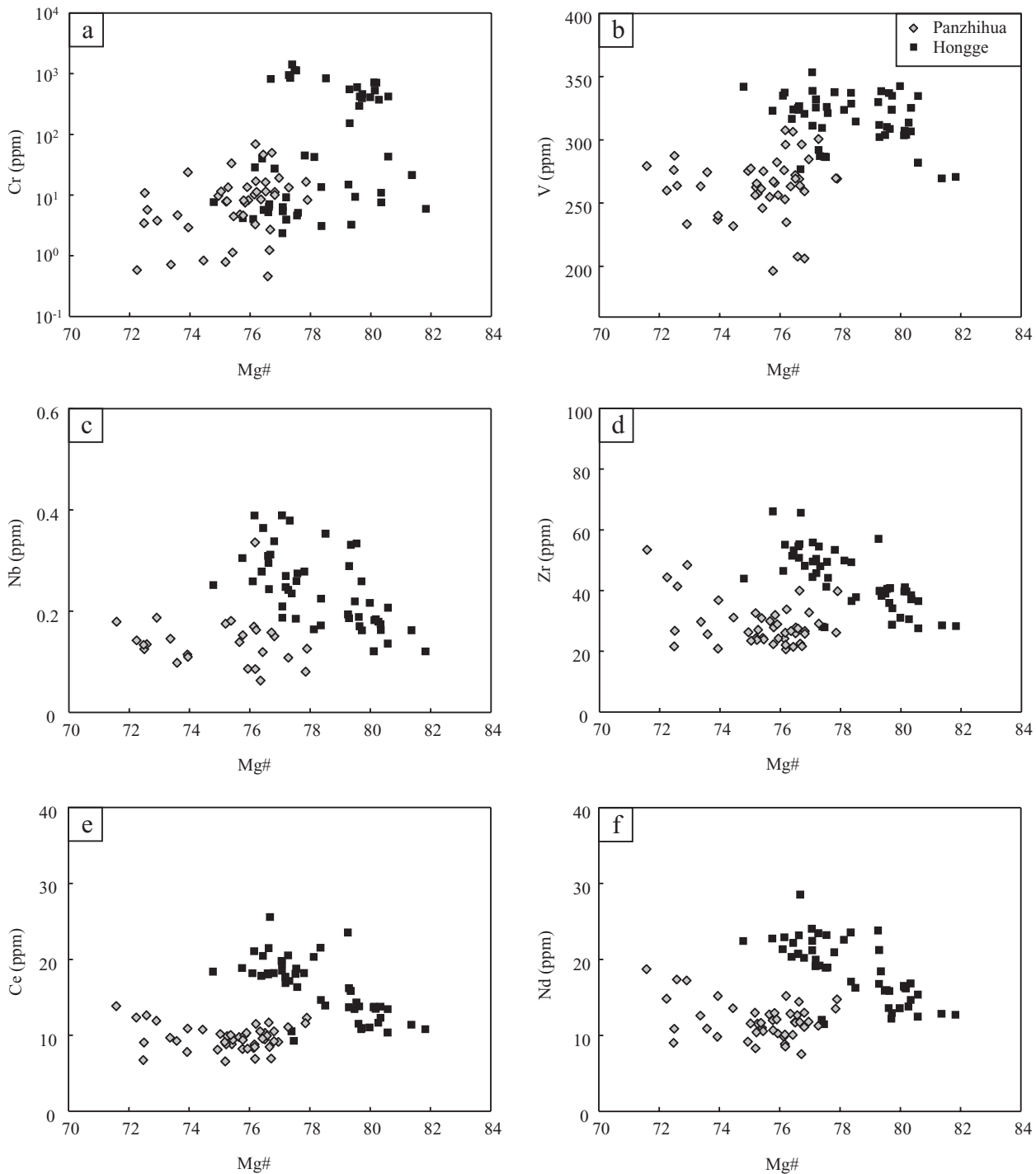


FIG. 9. Plots of Mg number vs. Cr (a), V (b), Nb (c), Zr (d), Ce (e), and Sr (f) in clinopyroxene from the Hongge and Panzhihua intrusions.

the interpretation that this type of ilmenite formed by cotectic crystallization with silicates.

Whole-rock compositional variations of oxide-rich samples from the Hongge and Panzhihua intrusions are consistent with a cumulus origin for the oxide-rich layers. The variations of $\text{FeO}_{(\text{total})}$, TiO_2 , and V contents in the oxide-rich samples from these intrusions are clearly controlled by ilmenite + titanomagnetite or titanomagnetite (Fig. 11a, b). Data from

this study and from Pang et al. (2008a, b) show that the oxide inclusions in olivine and clinopyroxene crystals from the Panzhihua intrusion are dominated by titanomagnetite, whereas both magnetite and ilmenite inclusions are present in olivine and clinopyroxene crystals from the Hongge intrusion.

Cumulus ilmenite in the Hongge intrusion contains up to 9.7 wt % MgO (Bai et al., 2012b), similar to Mg-rich ilmenite phenocrysts in picritic basalts from the Karoo flood basalt

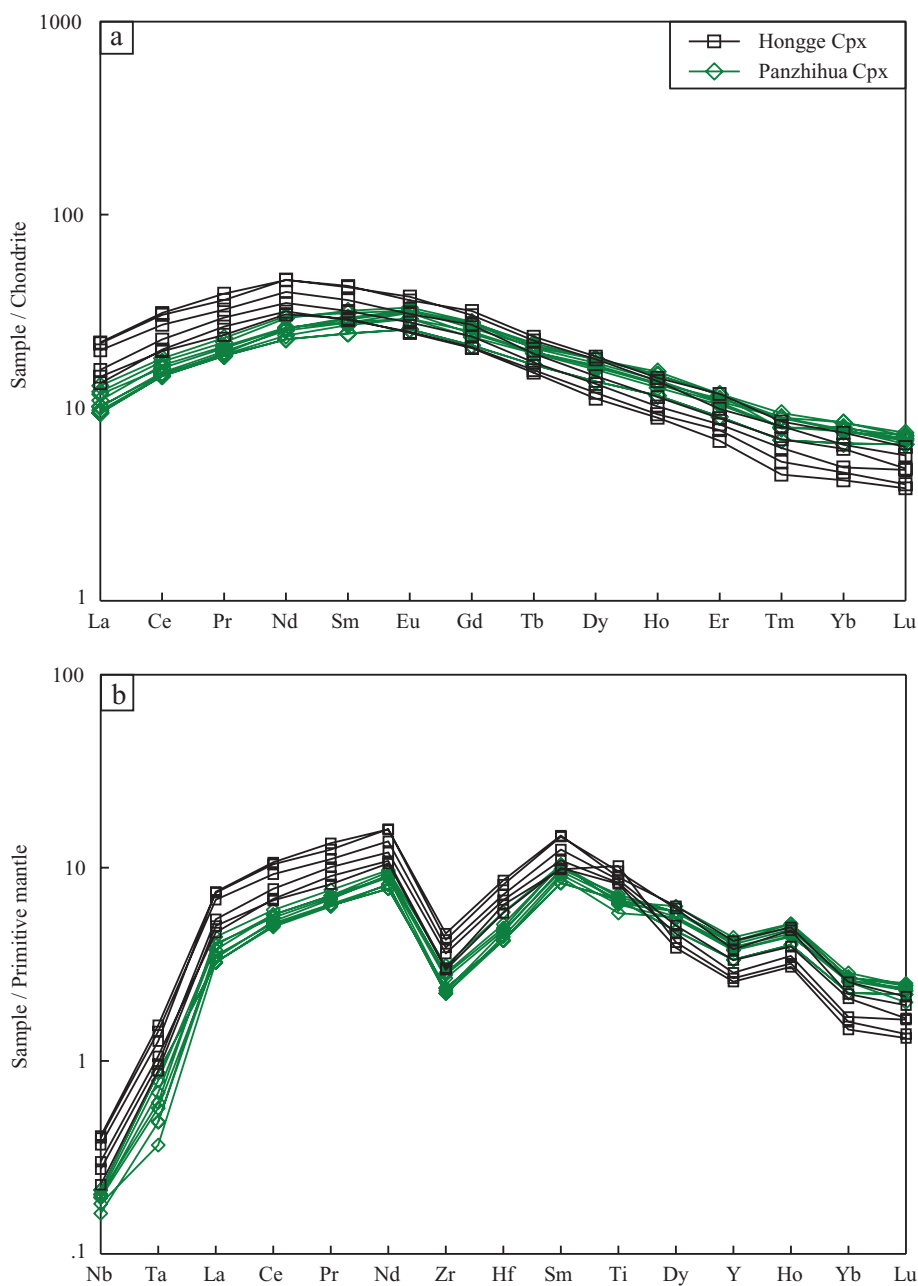


FIG. 10. Chondrite-normalized REE patterns (a) and primitive mantle-normalized alteration-resistant trace element patterns (b) for clinopyroxene from the Hongge and Panzhihua intrusions. The values for chondrite and primitive mantle are from Sun and McDonough (1989).

province (Cawthorn and Biggar, 1993). Based on the results from the Insizwa mafic-ultramafic intrusion in the Karoo igneous province, Cawthorn and Biggar (1993) suggested high Ti parental magma with approximately 5 wt % MgO for Mg-rich ilmenite. The lower MgO contents of the Hongge ilmenite inclusions relative to the cumulus ilmenite from the overlying oxide cumulate layers (Fig. 7) may have resulted from subsolidus Mg-Fe exchange reaction between ilmenite inclusion and the host olivine. This is consistent with the observation that olivine in the massive ores has much higher Fo than that in the associated oxide-poor rocks of the Hongge and Panzhihua deposits (Pang et al., 2009; Bai et al., 2012b). Hence, we

regard ilmenite inclusions within olivine crystals with Fo >77 (Bai et al., 2012b) in the Hongge intrusion as evidence for high Ti basaltic parental magma.

Based on the observations from the Bushveld Complex and the Skaergaard layered intrusion, several researchers suggested that Mg-poor ilmenite and titanomagnetite could crystallize together from evolved magma (McBirney, 1989, 1996; Tegner et al., 2006, 2009; Thy et al., 2009). We suggest that the interstitial ilmenite-titanomagnetite-apatite assemblages in the upper zones of the Hongge and Panzhihua intrusions formed from magma that is more fractionated than the parental magma of the underlying oxide layers.

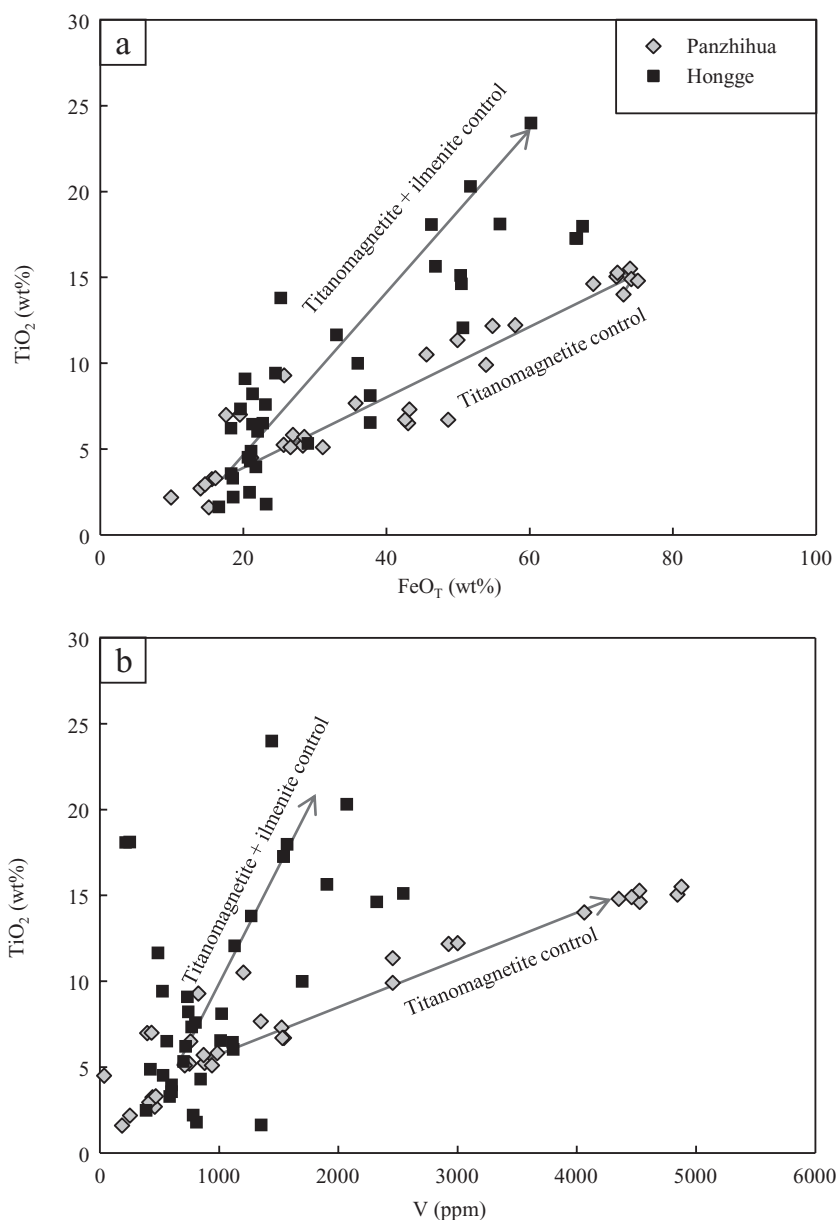


FIG. 11. Plots of $\text{FeO}_{(\text{total})}$ vs. TiO_2 (a) and V (b) in whole-rock samples with La contents <10 ppm from the main ore horizons of the Hongge and Panzhihua intrusions. Data for the Hongge intrusion are from Zhong et al. (2002) and Bai et al. (2012b); data for the Panzhihua intrusion are from Zhou et al. (2005) and Pang (2008).

Estimation of liquid TiO_2 contents and MgO/FeO ratios

The major and incompatible trace element concentrations in cumulus phases in intrusive rocks may have been modified by reequilibration with trapped liquids (Barnes, 1986; Godel et al., 2011; Cawthorn, 2013). Using whole-rock Zr contents, Pang et al. (2009) estimated up to 20 wt % trapped liquid for the Panzhihua cumulate rocks and up to 7 mol % Mg number trapped liquid shift for clinopyroxene in the rocks. These values are likely overestimated because Zr is compatible in magmatic Fe-Ti oxides (Nielsen and Beard, 2000). Rare earth elements that are incompatible in both silicate minerals and coexisting oxides are better choices for the estimation. Thus, we have used a rare earth element, La, to estimate the proportions of trapped liquids in the Hongge and Panzhihua

samples. The results are shown in Figure 12. The massive ores from the Hongge and Panzhihua deposits contain similarly low La contents (<2 ppm; Zhou et al., 2005; Pang, 2008; Bai et al., 2012; Luan et al., 2014). Using the average content of La in the Emeishan high Ti basalts (45 ppm; Qi et al., 2008) to represent the liquid composition, the amounts of trapped liquid in the massive oxide ore samples from both deposits are estimated to be <5 wt %. Such extremely low proportions of trapped liquid would have negligible effect on incompatible trace element compositional variation in the cumulus clinopyroxene crystals. More importantly, the proportions of trapped liquids in the oxide layers of both intrusions are similar (Fig. 12). It is therefore expected that the trapped liquid shifts of incompatible trace element abundances in the cumulus

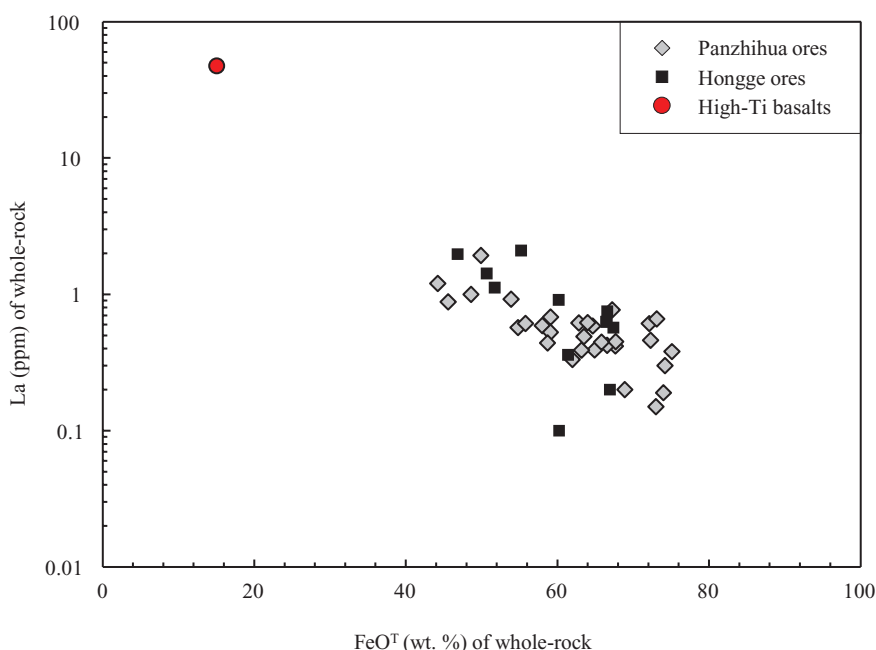


FIG. 12. Plots of La vs. $\text{FeO}_{(\text{total})}$ in massive Fe-Ti oxide ores, showing that the ore samples from the Hongge and Panzihua deposits contain similarly lowtrapped liquids. The data for the massive ores are from Zhong et al. (2002), Zhou et al. (2005), Bai et al. (2012b), Pang (2008), Song et al. (2013), and Luan et al. (2014). The data for the Emeishan high Ti basalts are from Qi et al. (2008, their sample LZS-37).

clinopyroxene crystals from both intrusions are similar and negligible.

The Mg# values of clinopyroxene from massive oxide layers and adjacent clinopyroxenites and gabbros in the Hongge and Panzihua intrusions are similar (Pang et al., 2009; Bai et al., 2012b), indicating that subsolidus reequilibration between clinopyroxene and oxides is insignificant. Experimental work (Cherniak and Liang, 2012) has shown that Ti diffusion in pyroxene is very slow. This explains why Ti zonation in pyroxene crystals from layered intrusions such as the Bushveld Complex is common (Godel et al., 2011). Although no Ti zonation was investigated in this study since we only analyzed the core of clinopyroxene, the Ti content of the core would not shift by trapped liquid or subsolidus reequilibration due to its slow diffusion. Similar TiO_2 -Mg number relationships for the clinopyroxene crystals from both intrusive and extrusive rocks in the Emeishan large igneous province (see Fig. 8) provide additional evidence that the effect of subsolidus reequilibration on the contents of TiO_2 and Mg number in the cumulus clinopyroxene crystals from the Hongge and Panzihua intrusions are negligible. Hence, the contents of TiO_2 in the parental magmas of these deposits can be estimated from the contents of TiO_2 in the cumulus clinopyroxene crystals associated with the ores. Using the average experimentally determined partition coefficient of 0.45 for TiO_2 between clinopyroxene and basaltic magma from Hauri et al. (1994), the concentrations of TiO_2 in the parental magmas for the oxide ore layers of the Hongge and Panzihua intrusions are estimated to be 3.9 to 4.9 and 2.8 to 3.5 wt %, respectively. The former are similar to the compositions of the Emeishan large igneous province high Ti basalts at Longzhoushan (up to 4.5 wt % TiO_2 ; Qi et al., 2008); the latter are similar to the compositions of the Emeishan large

igneous province intermediate Ti basalts at Ertan (2.37–3.47 wt % TiO_2 ; Xu et al., 2001).

Oxygen state is known to have a significant influence on the liquidus of Fe-Ti spinel in mafic magma (Toplis and Carroll, 1995). This has let many researchers (Ganino et al., 2008; Pang et al., 2008a; Bai et al., 2012b) suggest that the relatively early arrival of Fe-Ti oxides in the Panzihua and Hongge magmatic systems as compared to other layered intrusions in the world was caused by higher oxidation states. Different oxidation states may have contributed to the contrasting oxide assemblages between the Hongge deposit (titanomagnetite and ilmenite) and the Panzihua deposit (mainly titanomagnetite). However, the occurrence of magmatic sulfides in both deposits indicates that the oxidation states of these two magmatic systems were all below FMQ +1.5. Sulfide is not stable in mafic magma at an oxidation state above FMQ +1.5 (Jugo et al., 2005). The results from oxide chemistry have shown that the Hongge and Panzihua deposits formed under similar oxidation states between FMQ +1 and FMQ +1.5 (Pang et al., 2008a; Bai et al., 2012b).

Experiments show that the crystallization of ilmenite from ferrobaltic magma is mainly controlled by TiO_2 content in the magma (Toplis and Carroll, 1995). Under geologically reasonable conditions, ilmenite and titanomagnetite will appear on the liquidus together with clinopyroxene if the content of TiO_2 in basaltic magma is >4 wt %, titanomagnetite will appear on the liquidus together with clinopyroxene if the content of TiO_2 in the magma is lower (Snyder et al., 1993; Toplis and Carroll, 1995; Botcharnikov et al., 2008). We suggest that the contrasting oxide assemblages between the Hongge and Panzihua deposits are mainly due to different TiO_2 contents in the parental magmas instead of different oxidation states.

Using the average Fe-Mg exchange coefficient between clinopyroxene and melt, or $Kd_{Cpx/melt} = (FeO/MgO)_{Cpx}/(FeO/MgO)_{melt}$, of 0.27 from Bédard (2010) and the compositions of most primitive clinopyroxene crystals (highest Mg numbers) from the Hongge and Panzihua intrusions, the MgO/FeO ratios in the parental magmas for these two intrusions are estimated to be 0.63 and 0.49, respectively. These are minimum values because the MgO/FeO ratios in the clinopyroxene have been modified by trapped liquid and subsolidus reequilibration with coexisting oxides. As described above, the estimated amounts of trapped liquids in the samples from both deposits are similar and lower than 5 wt %. This means that the trapped liquid shifts for clinopyroxene MgO/FeO from both deposits are similar and small; probably less than 1% relative change in MgO/FeO based on the calculations of Barnes (1986). Since the samples from both deposits contain similar amount oxides, the effect of subsolidus reequilibration with coexisting oxides on the cumulus clinopyroxene crystals from both deposits are also similar. Hence, the different liquid MgO/FeO ratios estimated from cumulus clinopyroxene compositions mainly reflect the difference in the parental magmas of these deposits.

Our calculations based on the average composition of most primitive clinopyroxene from both deposits show that the parental magma for the Hongge deposit has significantly higher MgO/FeO than that for the Panzihua deposit. As described above, the parental magma for the Hongge deposit also has higher TiO₂ content than that for the Panzihua deposit. These results together indicate that the parental magmas of these two deposits could not be related to each other

by fractional crystallization because such a process would produce a negative MgO/FeO-TiO₂ correlation.

Estimation of liquid trace element compositions

Figure 13 illustrates the primitive mantle-normalized patterns for selected trace elements of the parental magmas estimated for the Hongge and Panzihua ore-bearing intrusions and selected flood basalts in the Emeishan large igneous province. The abundances of selected trace elements in the magmas are estimated using the average compositions of clinopyroxene from the ore-bearing lithologic units (zones) of the intrusions and the Cpx/liquid partition coefficients determined experimentally by Hart and Dunn (1993), Hauri et al. (1994), Lundstrom et al. (1998), Hill et al. (2000), and Gaetani et al. (2003). The results show that the estimated trace element compositions of the Hongge and Panzihua magmas are similar to the compositions of high Ti basalts at Longzhoushan and intermediate Ti basalts at Ertan, respectively (Fig. 13). The estimated trace element compositions of the parental magma for the Panzihua deposit are remarkably similar to a microgabbro from the margin of the intrusion (Zhou et al., 2005). As shown in Figure 13, the normalized trace element pattern of the Hongge magma is clearly more fractionated than that of the Panzihua magma. The former have higher LREE and HFSE abundances than the latter. These enrichments may be due to fractional crystallization of clinopyroxene. However, as described above, clinopyroxene in the Hongge intrusion is more primitive than that in the Panzihua intrusion. Thus, the different trace element patterns mainly reflect different

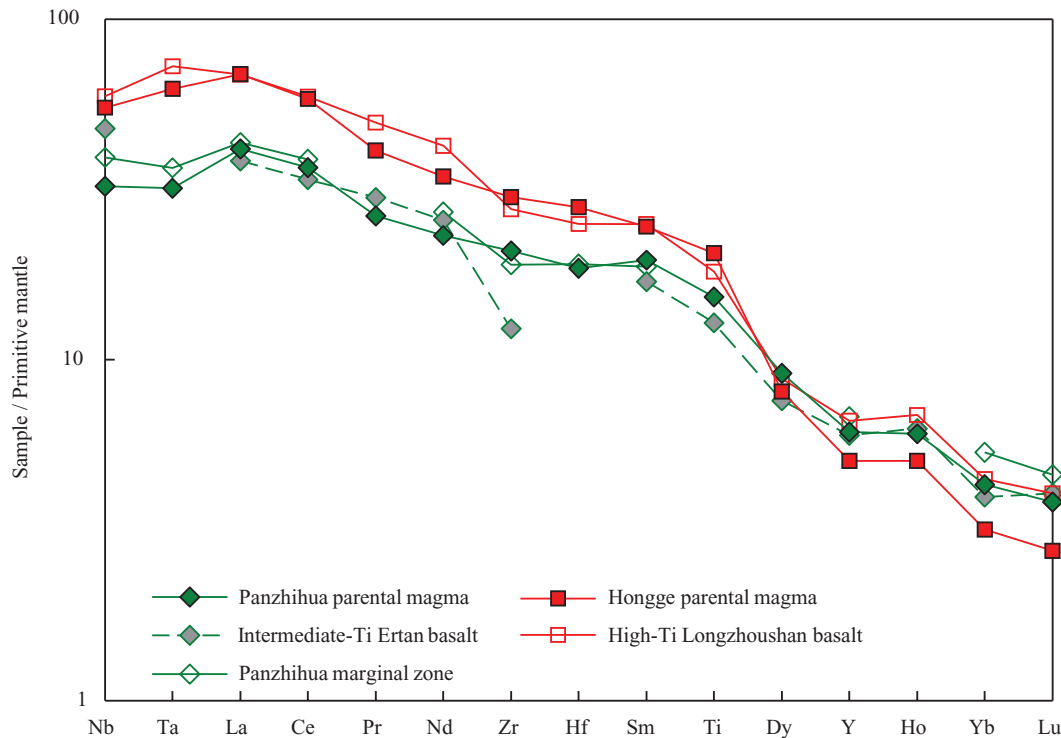


FIG. 13. Comparison of liquid trace element compositions calculated from average compositions of clinopyroxene from the main ore horizons in the Hongge and Panzihua intrusions with the compositions of selected Emeishan basalts and a samples from the marginal zone of the Panzihua intrusion. Data sources: intermediate Ti basalt Ertan (Xu et al., 2001, their sample EM-82); Panzihua marginal zone (Zhou et al., 2005, their sample LJ-03); high Ti basalt from Longzhoushan. (Qi et al., 2008, their sample LZS-37).

parental magma compositions. Different trace element patterns also present among the Emeishan picrites, which are attributed to source variations (Kamenetsky et al., 2012; Li et al., 2012).

Many researchers (Zhou et al., 2005; Pang et al., 2008a; Zhang et al., 2009; Bai et al., 2012b; Song et al., 2013; Luan et al., 2014) suggested that the Hongge and Panzhihua magmas are similar to the Emeishan high Ti basalts. Recently, Howarth and Prevec (2013b) suggested that the parental magma of the Panzhihua intrusion is similar to the lower end of TiO_2 content for typical Emeishan high Ti basalts (2.5 wt % TiO_2). The average compositions of high Ti basalts from Longzhoushan and intermediate Ti basalts from Ertan can be used to represent the compositions of the parental magmas for the Hongge and Panzhihua deposits, respectively, in agreement with the modeling of Howarth and Prevec (2013b).

Origins of contrasting parental magma compositions

Traditionally, Sr-Nd isotope variations between the Hongge and Panzhihua intrusions are attributed to variable degrees of contamination with the upper crust (e.g., Zhong et al., 2003; Zhou et al., 2008; Zhang et al., 2009). In this model, the Hongge magma is thought to have experienced significantly

higher degrees of contamination than the Panzhihua magma (Fig. 14a). This model can explain the isotope data but cannot explain different mineral assemblages and mineral chemistry between these two intrusions. As described above, plagioclase is common in the Panzhihua intrusion but is absent to rare in the more primitive Hongge intrusion. Orthopyroxene is also absent in the Hongge intrusion. The mineral assemblages do not support the model of a higher degree of siliceous contamination for the Hongge magma than the Panzhihua magma. It is well known that the addition of SiO_2 to mafic magma favors the crystallization of orthopyroxene and plagioclase at the expense of olivine and clinopyroxene (Irvine, 1970; Sparks, 1986). Additionally, the insignificantly contaminated Emeishan picrites exhibit large variations in ϵ_{Nd} and incompatible trace elements, implying mantle source heterogeneity (Li et al., 2012).

The forgoing analysis demonstrates that fractional crystallization and variable degrees of contamination with the upper crust cannot fully explain the contrasting compositions of the estimated parental magmas for the Hongge and Panzhihua intrusions. The variations of TiO_2 content and trace elements in the Emeishan picrites and associated basalts have been proposed to be generated by different degrees of partial

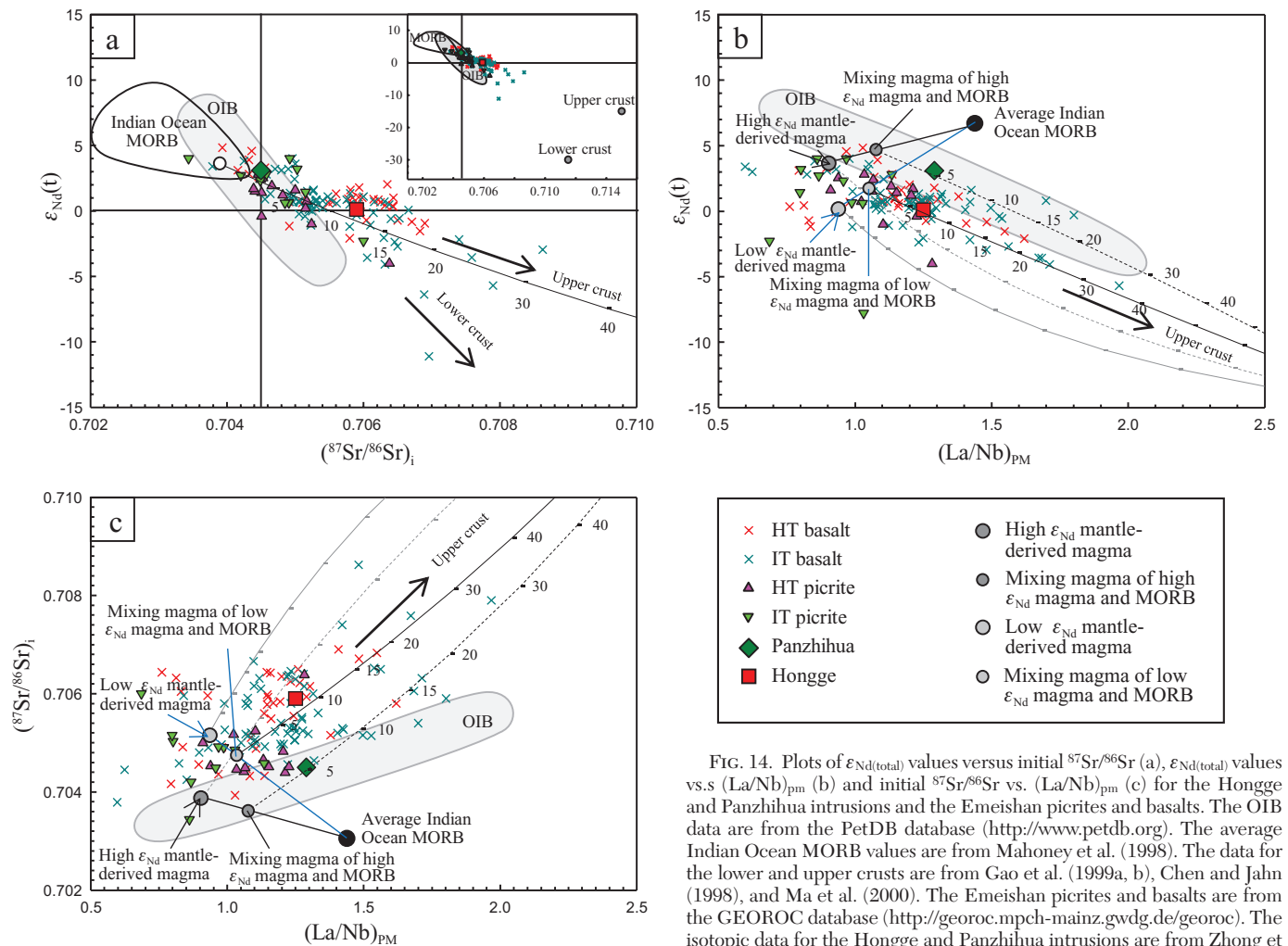


FIG. 14. Plots of $\epsilon_{\text{Nd}}(\text{total})$ values versus initial $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ (a), $\epsilon_{\text{Nd}}(\text{total})$ values vs. $(\text{La}/\text{Nb})_{\text{PM}}$ (b) and initial $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ vs. $(\text{La}/\text{Nb})_{\text{PM}}$ (c) for the Hongge and Panzhihua intrusions and the Emeishan picrites and basalts. The OIB data are from the PetDB database (<http://www.petdb.org>). The average Indian Ocean MORB values are from Mahoney et al. (1998). The data for the lower and upper crusts are from Gao et al. (1999a, b), Chen and Jahn (1998), and Ma et al. (2000). The Emeishan picrites and basalts are from the GEOROC database (<http://georoc.mpch-mainz.gwdg.de/georoc>). The isotopic data for the Hongge and Panzhihua intrusions are from Zhong et al. (2003), Zhou et al. (2008), Zhang et al. (2009), and Pang et al. (2013).

melting, different sources, or melting at different depth (Xu et al., 2001, 2004; Xiao et al., 2004; Zhang et al., 2006, 2008; Hanski et al., 2010; He et al., 2010; Li et al., 2010).

The TiO_2 contents of most ocean island basalts are too high to be generated from a peridotite source mantle alone (Prytulak and Elliot, 2007). Hence, many researchers have suggested that the melting of ancient recycled old oceanic crust (i.e., eclogite) in the Emeishan mantle plume played a critical role in the generation of the high Ti basalts in the region (He et al., 2010; Hou et al., 2011b; Zhong et al., 2011; Kamenetsky et al., 2012). However, the $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values for the majority of the Panzihua clinopyroxene (3.9–5.4‰; Zhang et al., 2009) are significantly lower than those crystallized from normal mantle-derived magma (5.3–5.9‰; Ionov et al., 1994; Matthey et al., 1994; Chazot et al., 1997). Since the low $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ signature of altered oceanic crust cannot be preserved in the mantle for a long time, a more plausible explanation for low $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values for the Panzihua clinopyroxene crystals is the assimilation of high-temperature, altered, newly subducted oceanic gabbros by plume-derived magma during magma ascent. Based on different Sr-Nd isotopes and trace element ratios, we propose a new model involving variable inputs from the newly subducted, stagnant oxide-bearing gabbroic slab. As shown in Figure 1, the Hongge and Panzihua intrusions occur at the western margin of the Yangtze block. The Tethyan oceanic plate was subducted eastward beneath the Yangtze block from the late Carboniferous to the Late Permian (Deng et al., 2013; Wang and Zhou, 2013). At ~260 Ma, the ascending Emeishan plume impinged on the newly subducted, stagnant oceanic lithospheric slab, which is similar to the relationship between the Yellowstone mantle plume and the Farallon-Juan de Fuca slab (Geist and Richards, 1993; Pierce et al., 2002; Xue and Allen, 2007; Coble and Mahood, 2012). When the ascending mantle plume-derived, picritic magma reached the overlying, newly subducted oceanic gabbros, Fe-Ti oxides in the gabbros would be preferentially dissolved into the magma because they were not saturated in the plume-derived magma. As this process continued, the ascending picritic magma became more enriched in TiO_2 and $\text{FeO}_{(\text{total})}$.

Experiments have revealed that high Ti lunar basalts could have been produced by selective assimilation of Fe-Ti oxides from high Ti cumulates in the lunar crust by ascending primitive low Ti lunar basaltic magma from depth (Wagner and Grove, 1995, 1997; Elkins et al., 2000; Liang and Hess, 2006; van Kan Parker et al., 2011; Dygert et al., 2013). Figure 1a and b illustrate the conceptual mixing lines between mantle-derived magmas with different ϵ_{Nd} values within the ranges of the Emeishan picrites and the newly subducted oceanic gabbros with bulk isotope compositions and trace element ratios represented by the average Indian Ocean MORB (Mahoney et al., 1998). The estimated parental magma for the Panzihua intrusion can be explained by mixing between mantle-derived magma with ϵ_{Nd} value close to the high end of the Emeishan picrites and the average MORB, followed by ~5 wt % contamination with the upper crust. The estimated parental magma for the Hongge intrusion can be explained by mixing between mantle-derived magma with ϵ_{Nd} value close to the low end of the Emeishan picrites and the average MORB, followed by ~5 wt % contamination with the upper crust. In either case the amounts of selective assimilation of oceanic oxide-bearing

gabbros from the stagnant slab cannot be quantified because the abundance of trace elements in the assimilated phases is unknown.

It is intriguing that in the Emeishan large igneous province abundant world-class Fe-Ti oxide deposits are associated with more primitive magmas than elsewhere in the world. We believe that this is due to selective assimilation of newly subducted, stagnant oceanic lithospheric slab by the Emeishan plume-derived magma during magma ascent. This can be tested in the future by integrated isotope and trace element studies.

Conclusions

Important conclusions from this study are summarized below.

1. The accumulation of ilmenite and titanomagnetite in the base of clinopyroxenite layers and abundant oxide inclusions in olivine and clinopyroxene crystals in the Hongge magmatic Fe-Ti-V oxide deposit indicate high Ti content (>3.5 wt % TiO_2) in the parental magma for the deposit.

2. The accumulation of titanomagnetite in the base of gabbroic layers and abundant oxide inclusions in olivine and clinopyroxene crystals in the Panzihua magmatic Fe-Ti-V oxide deposit indicate that the parental magma for this deposit contains lower TiO_2 than that of the Hongge deposit. This is also supported by higher TiO_2 in clinopyroxene with similar Mg numbers from the Hongge deposit than from the Panzihua deposit.

3. Based on the compositions of clinopyroxene from the oxide ore-bearing lithologic units (zones), the estimated parental magma for the Hongge deposit has higher MgO/FeO and more fractionated mantle-normalized trace element patterns than that for the Panzihua deposit.

4. The estimated parental magma compositions for the Hongge and Panzihua deposits are similar to the average compositions of coeval Longzhoushan-type high Ti basalts and Ertan-type intermediate Ti basalts in the Permian Emeishan large igneous province, respectively.

5. The new trace element data, together with available Sr-Nd isotope data from the literature, indicate that interaction of mantle plume-derived magma with newly subducted, stagnant oceanic slab above the deep-seated Emeishan mantle plume and subsequent contamination with the upper crust all contributed to the compositional variations of the parental magmas for the Hongge and Panzihua deposits.

6. More abundant Fe-Ti oxide ore deposits associated with less evolved basaltic magma in the Emeishan large igneous province than elsewhere in the world are attributed to selective assimilation of newly subducted oceanic lithospheric slab material by the ascending picritic magma derived from the deep-seated Emeishan mantle plume.

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