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4 **Oxygen isotope heterogeneity of the mantle beneath the Canary Islands: insights**
5 **from olivine phenocrysts**

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32 **Abstract**

33 A relatively narrow range of oxygen isotopic ratios ($\delta^{18}\text{O} = 5.0\text{--}5.4\text{‰}$) is preserved in
34 olivine of mantle xenoliths, mid-ocean ridge (MORB) and most ocean island basalts
35 (OIB). The values in excess of this range are generally attributed either to the presence of a
36 recycled component in the Earth's mantle or to shallow level contamination processes. A
37 viable way forward to trace source heterogeneity is to find a link between chemical
38 (elemental and isotopic) composition of the earlier crystallized mineral phases (olivine)
39 and the composition of their parental magmas, then using them to reconstruct the
40 composition of source region. The Canary hotspot is one of a few that contains ~1-2 Ga
41 old recycled ocean crust that can be traced to the core-mantle boundary using seismic
42 tomography and whose origin is attributed to the mixing of at least three main isotopically
43 distinct mantle components i.e., HIMU, DMM and EM. This work reports ion microprobe
44 and single crystal laser fluorination oxygen isotope data of 148 olivine grains also analyzed
45 for major and minor elements in the same spot. The olivines are from 20 samples
46 resembling the most primitive shield stage picrite through alkali basalt to basanite series
47 erupted on Gran Canaria, Tenerife, La Gomera, La Palma and El Hierro, Canary Islands,
48 for which shallow level contamination processes were not recognized. A broad range of
49 $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$ values from 4.6 to 6.1‰ was obtained and explained by stable, long-term oxygen
50 isotope heterogeneity of crystal cumulates present under different volcanoes. These
51 cumulates are thought to have crystallized from mantle derived magmas uncontaminated at
52 crustal depth, representing oxygen isotope heterogeneity of source region. A relationship
53 between $\text{Ni}\times\text{FeO}/\text{MgO}$ and $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$ values found in one basanitic lava erupted on El
54 Hierro, the westernmost island of the Canary Archipelago, was used to estimate oxygen
55 isotope compositions of partial melts presumably originated from peridotite (HIMU-type
56 component inherited its radiogenic isotope composition from ancient, ~1–2 Ga, recycled
57 ocean crust) and pyroxenite (young, <1 Ga, recycled oceanic crust preserved as eclogite
58 with depleted MORB-type isotopic signature) components of the Canary plume. The
59 model calculations yield 5.2 and $5.9\pm 0.3\text{‰}$ for peridotite and pyroxenite derived melts,
60 respectively, which appeared to correspond closely to the worldwide HIMU-type OIB and

61 upper limit N-MORB $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values. This difference together with the broad range of $\delta^{18}\text{O}$
62 variations found in the Canarian olivines cannot be explained by thermodynamic effects of
63 oxygen isotopic fractionation and are believed to represent true variations in the mantle,
64 due to oceanic crust and continental lithosphere recycling.

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67 fluorination

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70 **Introduction**

71 Chemical and isotopic heterogeneity of the Earth's mantle is widely attributed to the
72 temporal and spatial coexistence of isotopically enriched and depleted mantle domains
73 (e.g. EM1, EM2, HIMU and DMM; Zindler and Hart 1986). This heterogeneity is thought
74 to reflect time-integrated effects of depletion and enrichment caused by mantle partial
75 melting and crust extraction and by subduction, and recycling of the oceanic lithosphere
76 back into the convecting mantle (e.g. Hofmann and White 1982). The geochemistry of
77 trace elements and radiogenic isotope data on ocean island basalts (OIB) provide powerful
78 evidence that the convecting mantle is physically and chemically heterogeneous at very
79 different scales. This also was demonstrated by recent seismic tomography data, where
80 recycling of oceanic crust into the deep mantle due to subduction is a governing process
81 for creating compositional heterogeneity, explaining the distinct geochemistry of mantle
82 plumes (e.g. van der Hilst et al. 1991, 1997; Hofmann 1997).

83 Oxygen isotopes could be effectively used to trace crustal components in the source
84 of basaltic magmas (e.g. Eiler et al. 1997a; Eiler 2001; Widom and Farquhar 2003;
85 Bindeman et al. 2005; Bindeman 2008) because they vary strongly in the ocean crust,
86 being later recycled back into the Earth's mantle. The oxygen isotope heterogeneity of the
87 recycled ocean crust is generally caused by seawater and fluid alteration at high and low-
88 temperatures (e.g. Alt et al. 1986; Muehlenbachs 1986; Taylor and Sheppard 1986). Being
89 affected by low- and high-temperature fluid-rock interaction and due to cross-over of
90 oxygen isotopic fractionation factors between minerals and water and their magnitude at
91 around 300°C, the oceanic crust may vary significantly in oxygen isotope composition.
92 During subsequent subduction and recycling, the relative proportions of ¹⁸O-enriched and
93 ¹⁸O-depleted material has been shown to remain broadly similar to those in the ocean crust
94 prior to subduction, leading to $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values in the later erupted volcanic products to be
95 distinct from that of pristine mantle (e.g. Bebout and Barton 1989; Putlitz et al. 2000).

96 The Canary hotspot can be traced to the core-mantle boundary using seismic
97 tomography (Montelli et al. 2004) and whose origin is attributed to the mixing of relatively

98 old (1–2 Ga), HIMU-type upwelling hotspot mantle with the components of younger (<1
99 Ga), isotopically depleted (MORB)-type recycled ocean crust and isotopically enriched
100 (EM)-type lithosphere (e.g. Hoernle and Tilton 1991; Hoernle et al. 1991, 1995;
101 Marcantonio et al. 1995; Widom et al. 1999; Simonsen et al. 2000; Lundstrom et al. 2003;
102 Gurenko et al. 2006 among others). The recycled component was shown to differ
103 substantially in chemical and isotopic composition, being represented by relatively young,
104 isotopically depleted, MORB-type ocean crust of the western Canary Islands (the islands
105 of El Hierro, La Palma, La Gomera and Teno and Roque del Conde Massifs on Tenerife)
106 versus the enriched, HIMU-type component mixed with EM-type asthenosphere or
107 delaminated African subcontinental lithosphere of the eastern Canaries (Anaga Massif on
108 Tenerife, Gran Canaria, Fuerteventura and Lanzarote; Gurenko et al. 2009, 2010). Because
109 identification of source components is one of the major geochemical challenges of igneous
110 petrology and as the HIMU- and EM2-type ocean island basalts (OIB) worldwide display
111 the widest (1.4‰ i.e., from 4.7 to 6.1‰) range of bulk olivine oxygen isotopic
112 composition (Eiler 2001), the composition of high-Mg olivines representing the first
113 liquidus phases of primitive magmas erupted during the shield building stages of the
114 Canary Islands can be used to investigate the scale of oxygen isotope heterogeneity in the
115 Earth's mantle presumably caused different geochemical types of the recycled crust.

116 With the appearance of large radius, high transmission and high mass resolution
117 instruments such as CAMECA IMS 1270-1280, substantial improvements of secondary
118 ion mass spectrometry (SIMS) technique has been made during the last decade (e.g.
119 Mojzsis et al 2001; Gurenko et al. 2001; Zeb Page et al. 2007; Chaussidon et al. 2008;
120 Bindeman et al. 2008; Kita et al. 2009). The investigations of crystal domains of 10-30 μm
121 size with precision of 0.3–0.5‰ (2σ SE, 2-sigma standard error) in a single spot analysis
122 became feasible. A combination of *in-situ* SIMS technique with single grain laser
123 fluorination (LF) analysis (giving 2σ analytical uncertainty of better than ± 0.1 – 0.2%)
124 allowed precise detection of the contrasting in $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ source components for several
125 Icelandic large volume Holocene basaltic eruptions (Bindeman et al. 2008) and, thus, it can
126 be applied for discrimination between mantle and crustal processes.

127 This work reports the results of oxygen isotope study of 148 individual olivine
128 phenocrysts from a suite of the most primitive picritic to basaltic and basanitic shield stage
129 lavas from five of the seven Canary Islands (Gran Canaria, Tenerife, La Gomera, La Palma
130 and El Hierro), as well as from submarine basaltic hyaloclastites of Site 953 drilled during
131 the ODP Leg 157 to the NE of Gran Canaria (Gurenko et al. 1998, 2006). Unlike previous
132 oxygen isotope studies of multiple grain olivine separates (e.g. Matthey et al. 1994; Eiler et
133 al. 1997a; Turner et al. 2007 among others), in the present work we characterize a suite of
134 large and Mg-rich olivine phenocrysts using single crystal laser fluorination and *in situ* ion
135 microprobe oxygen isotope methods. Because oxygen diffusion in olivines is relatively
136 slow even at magmatic temperatures (e.g. Muehlenbachs and Kushiro 1974), we assume
137 that each olivine core records $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ value of the incremental parental melt, from which it
138 has crystallized. As shown by Bindeman (2008) and Auer et al. (2009), olivines having
139 different chemical and O isotope composition and representing mantle domains, from each
140 the parental basaltic magma was extracted, can be found in the same lavas, brought
141 together by rapid mixing processes in magma plumbing systems.

142 Several recent studies (Sobolev et al. 2008; Gurenko et al. 2009, 2010) have
143 demonstrated distinct relationships between estimated peridotite-to-pyroxenite proportions
144 in the source regions and the Sr, Nd, Pb and Os radiogenic isotope compositions of the
145 lavas. In the present work, we use the model suggested by Sobolev et al. (2007) that allows
146 to assign each individual olivine crystal or even its growth zone to the composition of
147 parental melt, for which the peridotite/pyroxenite ratio can be calculated. The aim of the
148 study is to constrain oxygen isotope composition of the peridotite and pyroxenite
149 components in the mantle beneath the Canary Islands, by defining the relationships
150 between Ni and Mn concentrations in *individual* olivine grains and their oxygen isotope
151 ratios, as has previously been shown for radiogenic isotopes (Gurenko et al. 2009, 2010).

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153 **Geological setting and samples studied**

154 The Canary Archipelago (**Fig. 1**) has a long magmatic history ranging from at least 20 Ma

155 in the easternmost Canary Islands through 12–16 Ma in the central part of the archipelago
156 to less than 1 Ma on the westernmost islands, representing an age-progressive, ~500 km
157 long island chain. Volcanic rocks from the Canary Islands are characterized by a large
158 compositional range from moderately alkaline basalts and picrites, which are dominant in
159 the shield-building stage to olivine nephelinites and basanites of the later (post-erosional or
160 rejuvenated) stage of volcanism. Although shallow depth magma contamination is a
161 common process for the Canary Island volcanoes (e.g. Thirlwall et al. 1997; Gurenko et al.
162 2001; Hansteen and Troll 2003; Longpré et al. 2008 and references therein), the samples
163 selected for the present study show no evidence for extensive crustal contamination based
164 on our previous studies of major and trace elements, stable and radiogenic isotopes
165 (Gurenko et al. 2006, 2009, 2010).

166 We selected Mg-rich olivine phenocrysts of Fo_{80.3-89.8} covering almost the entire
167 range of Ni (0.169–0.480 wt.% NiO) and Mn (0.145–0.274 wt.% MnO) concentrations
168 (**Fig. 2a, b**) known for Canary Island lavas. Our selection is based on nearly 1450
169 previously analyzed individual olivine grains from 17 subaerially erupted transitional
170 basalts and picrites and three olivine-phyric basanites representing volcanic shields on
171 Gran Canaria, Tenerife, La Gomera, La Palma and El Hierro (geographic coordinates,
172 petrographic description, chemical and isotopic compositions of the rock samples are given
173 in Gurenko et al. 2006), as well as from three samples representing the Gran Canaria
174 volcanoclastic apron drilled during the ODP Leg 157 (Gurenko et al. 1998, 2009, 2010).

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176 **Analytical technique**

177 The *in-situ* ¹⁸O/¹⁶O ratios in olivine crystals were analyzed with the CAMECA IMS 1270
178 ion microprobe in the *Centre de Recherches Pétrographiques et Géochimiques* (CRPG,
179 Nancy, France). The laser fluorination data were acquired in the Stable Isotope Laboratory
180 of the University of Oregon (Eugene, USA; Bindeman 2008; Bindeman et al. 2008).

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182 Sample preparation

183 Olivine samples analyzed with SIMS were mounted together with reference San Carlos
184 and CI114 olivines in the central part (½ inch in diameter) of 1-inch epoxy resin mounts.
185 The mounts were then ground and finally polished using the 6, 3, 1 μm grain size Diamond
186 Films and Glass Support Plates of the ALLIED High Tech Products company. As shown
187 by Kita et al. (2009), such sample preparation technique allows minimizing effectively the
188 relief difference between the embedded olivine grains and enclosing epoxy resin.

189 The lavas studied here contain abundant and large (up to 5–10 mm) olivine
190 phenocrysts, which may be partly altered outside and along their fractures filled by light
191 green to colorless clay minerals and serpentine or by iddingsite (mixture of clay minerals
192 with iron oxides and ferrihydrites). All olivines were thus carefully investigated under
193 transmitted and reflected light using petrographic (thin sections) and binocular
194 (monomineral fractions) microscopes and only visually fresh crystals were selected for the
195 study. The largest crystals to be analyzed with both SIMS and LF methods were split and
196 one of two parts was analyzed by laser fluorination. The grains selected for SIMS were
197 imaged in secondary (SE) and back-scattered electrons (BSE) to ensure that the surfaces
198 are free of secondary alteration products. The olivine parts to be analyzed by LF were
199 crushed and cleaned in 30% HF or in HFB₄ solutions for variable amounts of time. Some
200 visually fresh olivines sent for LF analyses appeared dull during more careful
201 investigations under the binocular microscope. Given that this may be a sign of internal
202 serpentinization, these grains were additionally subjected to element mapping under the
203 electron microprobe in order to target the freshest crystal domains suitable for analyses by
204 SIMS (SE images and Mg, Si and Ni X-ray maps of the selected representative olivine
205 grains are given in the *On-line Supplementary Information; Fig. S1*). Because of such
206 olivine alteration, the SIMS technique, which gives better spatial resolution compared to
207 laser fluorination, was chosen as a preferred method of oxygen isotope analysis. The LF
208 method, although being analytically more precise, was used to demonstrate that both SIMS
209 and LF methods are in good agreement with each other. Finally, the spots analyzed by
210 SIMS were then re-analyzed by electron microprobe using a high precision technique
211 described by Sobolev et al. (2007). All these replicate analyses showed stoichiometric

212 olivine compositions, also suggesting that our SIMS oxygen isotope dataset does not
213 contain analyses of altered olivines.

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215 IMS 1270 setting

216 Olivines were sputtered with a 10 kV Cs⁺ primary beam of ca. 10 nA current focused to
217 10–20 μm spots after pre-sputtering time of 120 s. The normal-incidence electron flood
218 gun was used to compensate for sample charge. Secondary ¹⁶O⁻ and ¹⁸O⁻ ions were
219 accelerated at 10 kV and analyzed at a mass resolution of 2,500 using a circular focusing
220 mode and a transfer optic of about 150 μm. The energy slit was centered and opened to 50
221 V. The automatic routine of centering secondary beam in the field aperture was used at the
222 beginning of each isotopic measurement. The ¹⁸O/¹⁶O isotopic ratios were analyzed in
223 multi-collection mode using two off-axis L'2 and H1 Faraday Cup (FC) detectors for
224 counting the ¹⁶O and ¹⁸O ion intensities simultaneously. The gain of the Faraday cups was
225 calibrated daily at the beginning of each analytical session using the CAMECA built-in
226 amplifier calibration software, and the signal was then corrected for the FC backgrounds.
227 Typical ion intensities of ca. 2–5×10⁹ and 4–9×10⁶ counts per second (cps) obtained on the
228 ¹⁶O and ¹⁸O peaks, respectively, yield an internal 1σ uncertainty of better than ±0.1‰
229 which was reached after ~100 s of counting (50 cycles of 2 sec of analysis time each).

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231 Instrumental mass fractionation

232 Instrumental mass fractionation (IMF) is usually defined as the ratio between measured
233 and true values:

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$$235 \quad \alpha_{\text{IMF}} = R_{\text{measured}} / R_{\text{true}}, \quad (1)$$

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237 or can be reported in permil units calculated using the relationship:

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$$239 \quad \text{IMF} = [(R_{\text{measured}} - R_{\text{true}}) / R_{\text{true}}] \times 1000\text{‰}, \quad (2)$$

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241 where R stands for $^{18}\text{O}/^{16}\text{O}$ ratios in this study. Previous work has shown that there is a
242 clear relationship between IMF of O isotopes and chemical composition of the analyzed
243 material, especially while using the small-radius CAMECA IMS 4f–6f instruments (e.g.
244 Valley and Graham 1991; Eiler et al. 1997b). The large radius multicollector CAMECA
245 IMS 1270–1280 instruments, in contrast, ensure a smaller and better predictable IMF
246 (Mojzsis et al 2001; Gurenko et al. 2001; Zeb Page et al. 2007; Chaussidon et al. 2008;
247 Bindeman et al. 2008; Kita et al. 2009).

248 Because our unknown olivines range in forsterite content from $\sim\text{Fo}_{80}$ to Fo_{90} , we
249 used two reference olivines with strongly contrasting Fo contents. The first is San Carlos
250 olivine (*SCO*; we used the same aliquot of material that was analyzed by concurrent laser
251 fluorination) with $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ value of 5.35‰ determined previously by laser fluorination in
252 Caltech (Eiler 2001; Bindeman et al. 2006) that was mounted separately and together with
253 the samples of interest. No grain to grain variability in O isotope ratios was found within a
254 common analytical precision of $\pm 0.2\text{--}0.4\text{‰}$ (2σ SE) obtained for CAMECA IMS 1270
255 analysis during this study (see below). The second reference olivine (*CI114*) is from a
256 piece of olivine-anorthite cumulate nodule from Zheltovsky volcano, Kamchatka. It
257 reveals insignificant grain-to-grain compositional variability ranging in forsterite content
258 from $\text{Fo}_{74.1}$ to $\text{Fo}_{74.4}$. The $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ value of the CI114 olivine ($5.2 \pm 0.2\text{‰}$, 2σ SE) has also
259 been previously determined by the laser fluorination technique (Bindeman et al. 2008).

260 Similarly as shown by Bindeman et al. (2008), we do not observe a systematic
261 difference in IMF value obtained on SCO with $\text{Fo}_{90.7}$ and CI114 with $\text{Fo}_{74.2}$ ($\Delta\text{IMF}_{\text{SCO-CI114}}$)
262 as a function of Fo content obtained during three analytical sessions in May-2006, June-
263 2007 and July-2007, ranging from -0.31 to $+0.57\text{‰}$ at average $\Delta\text{IMF}_{\text{SCO-CI114}} = 0.07 \pm$
264 0.58‰ , 2σ SD. Note that the relatively high standard deviation of 0.58‰ represents, in
265 fact, a propagation of the uncertainties obtained on SCO and CI114 reference olivines.
266 These values are very close to those obtained by Bindeman et al. (2008; $\Delta\text{IMF}_{\text{SCO-CI114}} =$
267 $0.12 \pm 0.70\text{‰}$) (**Fig. 3a**). Because the absolute value of $\Delta\text{IMF}_{\text{SCO-CI114}}$ is small, we did not
268 introduce the IMF correction as a function of Fo content and used the average of IMF

269 values obtained on both reference olivines, correcting our raw data for instrumental drift
270 where present.

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272 Precision and accuracy

273 *Secondary ion mass spectrometry*

274 Three to 5 individual $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ measurements were run on each of the two olivine standards at
275 the beginning and at the end of each block of data acquisition, including three to five
276 unknown samples (total 15 to 20 spots) employing so-called “contiguous bracketing”. To
277 correct raw data for IMF, we used an average value of IMF derived from the
278 measurements at the beginning and the end of a given data block, where no instrumental
279 drift was observed. If a systematic shift of IMF values during one or several data blocks
280 was observed (usually it is 0.05 to 0.1‰ per hour), the unknown data were corrected for
281 IMF calculated as a function of time within these data blocks. The uncertainties on SCO
282 and CI114 were nearly identical i.e., $\pm 0.23\text{‰}$ on SCO vs. $\pm 0.22\text{‰}$, 2σ SD on CI114, when
283 run together in the same data blocks and obtained on multiple grains mounted together
284 with unknown olivines. This observed similarity suggests that both standards are equally
285 homogeneous and instrument stability was maintained.

286 The error of a single measurement of an unknown sample was defined from two
287 sources of independent random errors. One source is an internal precision of the instrument
288 ($\pm 0.08\text{--}0.20\text{‰}$, 2σ SE). Another source is represented by external reproducibility of the
289 measurements of reference olivines and characterizes the accuracy of IMF determinations
290 ($0.10\text{--}0.46\text{‰}$, 2σ SD). The accounted average cumulative analytical error (precision +
291 accuracy) of a single O isotope measurement with the CRPG-Nancy CAMECA IMS 1270
292 instrument is thus $\pm 0.35\text{‰}$ (ranging from 0.22 to 0.52‰ for the total 373 measurements).
293 Replicate measurements of the San Carlos olivine standard treated as an unknown sample
294 have demonstrated the same reproducibility ($5.30\pm 0.34\text{‰}$, 2σ SD, $N = 12$). We emphasize
295 however that because each $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ analysis results from $N = 2\text{--}5$ replicate measurements, the
296 analytical uncertainty of $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ of an individual olivine grain is $1/\sqrt{N}$ times better than the

297 uncertainty of a single measurement (i.e. 0.14–0.4‰, average $\pm 0.24\%$; **Table S1**, *On-line*
298 *Supplementary Information*).

299

300 *Laser fluorination*

301 Based on the concurrent multiple runs of the Gore Mountain Garnet (UWG-2, $\delta^{18}\text{O} =$
302 5.8‰; Valley et al. 1995) primary and San Carlos olivine (SCO-2, $\delta^{18}\text{O} = 5.35\%$; Eiler
303 2001; Bindeman et al. 2006) secondary reference materials, the precision of the single
304 crystal LF technique was always better than $\pm 0.18\%$ (2σ SD).

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306 SIMS vs. LF

307 Twenty large individual olivine grains (up to 10 mm) were split and then analyzed by both
308 SIMS and LF methods. Our initial LF analysis of uncrushed and minimally HF-treated
309 bulk olivines (large grains and mixtures of grains) returned $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values ranging from 3.8 to
310 4.9‰. The values appeared to be systematically lower than those of the SCO olivine
311 standard analyzed concurrently ($5.28 \pm 0.18\%$ 2σ SD, N=15) or *in situ* analyses of the
312 freshest spots in the same olivines by SIMS (**Table S1**; *On-line Supplementary*
313 *Information*).

314 Given that olivine phenocrysts may contain single to several tens of small (5-50
315 μm) chromite crystals and chromite may hypothetically decrease the resulting $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values,
316 as suggested in several stable isotope laboratories, we investigated this possibility. We
317 extracted pure chromite from multiple olivine phenocrysts of sample LP1 and analyzed it
318 by LF. While $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ value of this chromite was found to be 3.43‰ and the purest chromite-
319 free olivine has $\delta^{18}\text{O} = 4.89\%$, the measured $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ value of the mechanical mixture
320 composed in weight proportion of 0.13 chromite and 0.87 chromite-free olivine was
321 4.51‰ (at predicted $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ of 4.69‰). Because (1) the chromite inclusions and host olivine
322 appear to be in isotopic equilibrium and (2) 13 wt% of inclusions to be trapped by olivine
323 is unrealistically high amount, as compared to what we observe in reality, the effect of

324 occasionally trapped chromite inclusions on the oxygen isotopic composition of the studied
325 Canary olivines was found to be negligible.

326 Thus, we think that the systematically lower $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values obtained with LF method
327 were caused more probably by crack/cleavage serpentinization (observed in some grains
328 under high power magnification) and we attempted to remove this by crushing each olivine
329 grain to 100-150 μm fraction and subjecting it to 24 hour treatment in HBF_4 . Indeed, the
330 $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values obtained for nine HBF_4 treated olivine grains during subsequent LF analytical
331 session in October 2006, where the material was crushed to a smaller size and subjected to
332 substantially longer time of leaching in HBF_4 (about 24 hours), have demonstrated better
333 correlation with SIMS data (**Table S1**; *On-line Supplementary Information*). Furthermore,
334 the additional LF oxygen isotope compositions of 25 arbitrary selected, freshest olivine
335 crystals were obtained in January 2010. Although these olivines were not subsequently
336 analyzed by SIMS (but they were analyzed for major and minor elements by electron
337 microprobe), all they are within the previously obtained ranges of oxygen isotope
338 composition (**Table S1**; *On-line Supplementary Information*).

339 Finally, these nine Canarian olivines analyzed by both LF and SIMS methods were
340 combined with seven olivine grains from the basaltic lava flow of the 1783–1784 AD
341 fissure eruption of Laki (Iceland) also analysed by LF and SIMS (Bindeman et al. 2008)
342 and plot together in **Fig. 3b**, demonstrating very good correspondence of both methods on
343 the SMOW scale. Due to high spatial resolution, we therefore think that SIMS analysis of
344 multiple freshest 10-20 μm spots in individual olivines cores represents true analytical
345 dataset for the Canary olivines (**Table S1**; *On-line Supplementary Information*).

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347 **Oxygen isotope composition of the Canarian olivines**

348 The $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values of a total of 148 olivine phenocrysts are listed in **Table S1** (*On-line*
349 *Supplementary Information*). As no systematic difference observed for the $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$ sets
350 obtained by SIMS and LF methods, we choose to discuss them as a single dataset. The
351 broad $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$ range obtained by both LF and SIMS methods is between 4.6 and 6.1‰. In

352 several lava samples, the variations of $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$ span almost the entire oxygen isotope
353 range reported previously for the Canarian olivines in general (from 4.3 to 5.8‰ by
354 Thirlwall et al. 1997; Gurenko et al. 2006; Day et al. 2009, 2010; **Fig. 4**), while the highest
355 value in the range that we obtain here correspond nearly exactly to the highest $\delta^{18}\text{O}$
356 measured in clinopyroxene from Gran Canaria by Thirlwall et al. (1997). No significant
357 intra-crystal $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$ or Fe-Mg variations in the cores of individual olivines are observed,
358 except for four olivine grains exhibiting variations of 0.1–0.7 mole % Fo and 0.6–0.9‰
359 $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$ (**Table S1, On-line Supplementary Information**). Because of the large broad
360 $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$ range (i.e. 1.5‰), especially that observed for the Tenerife, La Gomera and La
361 Palma series (it is about six times larger than the 2σ analytical uncertainty of SIMS), we
362 interpret it as representing true oxygen isotope heterogeneity of parental magmas.

363 The $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$ values, either those obtained by SIMS or LF, are scattered (**Fig. 5**).
364 The intervals obtained for the El Hierro ($5.21 \pm 0.40\%$, 2σ SD) and La Palma ($5.48 \pm$
365 0.71% , 2σ SD) samples are wider, as well as the average $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$ value for La Palma is
366 higher, than those reported by Day et al. (2009, 2010) ($5.17 \pm 0.16\%$ El Hierro and $4.87 \pm$
367 0.36% La Palma, 2σ SD). Given that our earlier obtained LF data for the set of La Palma
368 olivines (where HF leaching appeared to be too short for complete removal of the
369 alteration products) tends to the systematically lower $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$ values than those we finely
370 report as true, we think that the remaining alteration of olivine may be also a possible
371 reason for the lower La Palma $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$ reported by Day et al. (2009, 2010).

372 The $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$ range obtained during this work is much wider than that of typical
373 MORB, OIB, oceanic and continental peridotites (5.0–5.4‰) based on multiple grain
374 olivine separates by Matthey et al. (1994), Eiler et al. (1997a); and Turner et al. (2007) but
375 is still bracketed by the intervals defined for olivine phenocrysts from the HIMU- and
376 EM2-type lavas ($\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}} = 4.6\text{--}5.1\%$ and $5.4\text{--}6.1\%$, respectively; Eiler et al. 1997a;
377 Widom and Farquhar 2003) and is much narrower than the global $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$ range (2.2 to
378 7.6‰) based on the single grain olivine analysis by laser fluorination (Bindeman 2008).

379 There are no clear relationships between O isotopic compositions and Fo contents
380 for olivines from the lavas erupted on the western Canaries, except for one El Hierro

381 olivine series showing decrease of $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$ values with increasing Fo ($R^2 = 0.36$; **Fig.**
382 **5a**). This olivine series shows also a subtle correlation ($R^2 = 0.29$) between $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$ and
383 $\text{Ni}\times\text{FeO}/\text{MgO}$ ratios but with the opposite slope (**Fig. 5d**). No correlation of $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$ with
384 Mn/FeO ratios was found for any of the studied olivine series.

385

386 **Do oxygen isotope variations in olivines represent mantle or crustal signature?**

387 Two concurrent processes, i.e. magma contamination due to interaction with upper crustal
388 rocks and/or partial melting of a mantle source with variable oxygen isotope signatures,
389 could potentially account for the observed range of oxygen isotope ratios.

390 Large variations of $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{cpx}}$ (cpx = clinopyroxene) values (5.2 to 6.8‰) obtained for
391 a narrow range of $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ isotope ratios (0.7032 to 0.7039) in the Gran Canaria shield
392 basalts were reported by Thirlwall et al. (1997) who suggested up to 8% assimilation of the
393 NW African passive margin sediments by these magmas. Gurenko et al. (2001), using the
394 relationships of $\delta^{34}\text{S}$ vs. $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ recorded in clinopyroxene-hosted glass inclusions from the
395 Miocene basaltic hyaloclastites drilled at Site 956 during the ODP Leg 157 southwest of
396 Gran Canaria, have proposed assimilation of anhydrite-bearing, hydrothermally altered
397 basaltic crust and oceanic sediments by ascending primary magmas. Thus, magma
398 contamination by lower crustal rocks and/or marine sediments is probable during the shield
399 building stage of the Canary Islands, especially for the case of Gran Canaria. On the other
400 hand, Gurenko et al. (2006) have demonstrated that many primitive picritic to alkali
401 basaltic shield stage lavas from Gran Canaria, Tenerife, La Gomera and La Palma
402 (including all samples studied here) lack crustal contamination based on Sr-Nd-Pb and
403 bulk olivine $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ vs. Sr isotope relationships, consistent with our present data (**Fig. 6**). The
404 only exception could be sample G1265 (Hoernle et al. 1991; Gurenko et al. 2006)
405 representing the Gran Canaria shield stage, for which only a small (less than 2%)
406 contamination by marine sediments might be invoked.

407 Recent studies of the low- $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ basaltic magmas in Iceland (Bindeman et al. 2008)
408 and Hawaii (Wang and Eiler 2008) have demonstrated that the decrease of O isotope ratios

409 with decreasing Fo content of individual olivine grains may be caused by assimilation of
410 low- $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ lithospheric rocks by ascending magmas (*Contamination* trend shown in **Fig. 5a-**
411 **c**). We can only vaguely recognize such trend in subaerial lavas from Gran Canaria (**Fig.**
412 **5b**), which may suggest that $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ -depleted crustal rocks might have been assimilated by
413 the magmas with originally “normal mantle” $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values. Indeed, lower crustal gabbroic
414 xenoliths with normal to moderately low $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values (3.3–5.1‰) are known on Gran
415 Canaria (Hansteen and Troll 2003). These xenoliths are characterized, however, by varying
416 to somewhat elevated $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ ratios (0.7029–0.7047; Hoernle 1998). Assimilation of such
417 crustal material will drive the composition of the hybrid magmas towards lower $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ and
418 higher $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ values, the tendency which is opposite to the common trend of $\delta^{18}\text{O}$
419 increase with increasing $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ (e.g. Thirlwall et al. 1997). However as shown by
420 Gurenko et al. (2006), assimilation of prohibitively large amounts of such lower crustal
421 material (up to 70%) is required and this is not supported by Pb isotope data. We therefore
422 do not consider crustal assimilation as a likely explanation for the observed large range of
423 $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$ values from 4.6 to 6.1‰.

424 The better explanation of diverse $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ in the Canarian olivines is provided by a
425 model in which different lavas are formed by variable degree decompression melting of a
426 HIMU-type mantle (e.g. Hoernle and Tilton 1991; Hoernle et al. 1991, 1995; Marcantonio
427 et al. 1995; Widom et al. 1999; Simonsen et al. 2000; Lundstrom et al. 2003 among others)
428 that may contain a depleted MORB-type component of recycled oceanic crust in the form
429 of reaction pyroxenite mixed with EM-type peridotitic component from the asthenosphere
430 or lithosphere above the plume center (Gurenko et al. 2009, 2010). In particular, the
431 $\text{Ni}\times\text{FeO}/\text{MgO}$, Mn/FeO ratios and Ca concentrations of olivine phenocrysts correlate well
432 with bulk-rock Sr, Nd and Pb isotopic compositions of their host lavas (Gurenko et al.
433 2009, 2010). As shown by Gurenko et al. (2009), the radiogenic Sr, Nd and Pb isotope
434 ratios of mafic, relatively low-silica ($\text{SiO}_2 < 46$) alkali basaltic to basanitic lavas from the
435 western Canary Islands form arrays between the HIMU-like and mid-ocean-ridge basalt
436 (MORB) or DMM (Zindler and Hart 1986) end-members, interpreted to reflect (i)
437 interaction of plume-derived melts with depleted upper mantle (Hoernle et al. 1991, 1995),

438 or (ii) mixing between older (HIMU-like) and younger (MORB-like) recycled oceanic
439 crustal components to be present either within a single plume (Widom et al. 1999; Gurenko
440 et al. 2009) or in an upwelling asthenosphere (Geldmacher et al. 2005). In addition, more
441 Si-rich ($\text{SiO}_2 > 46$) transitional basaltic and evolved magmas erupted on the eastern Canary
442 Islands (i.e., Lanzarote, Fuerteventura, Gran Canaria and Anaga Massif on Tenerife) show
443 evidence for the presence of a third, enriched-mantle (EM)-type component that can be
444 located in the shallow asthenosphere or lithosphere, having been entrained by the
445 ascending mantle plume (Hoernle and Tilton 1991; Hoernle et al. 1991, 1995; Widom et al.
446 1999; Simonsen et al. 2000; Lundstrom et al. 2003; Gurenko et al. 2006, 2009, 2010).
447 Alternatively, melting of peridotitic mantle metasomatised by $< 10\%$ pyroxenite/eclogite
448 made from variable portions of similar aged recycled oceanic crust and lithosphere with
449 HIMU affinities have been recently proposed by Day et al. (2009, 2010). The obtained
450 large range of $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$ values from 4.6 to 6.1‰ can thus be interpreted as reflecting
451 mantle source signature and not being produced by shallow depth contamination by crustal
452 rocks. We next focus on identifying the ^{18}O -enriched and ^{18}O -depleted sources that
453 contributed to the observed $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$ heterogeneity in the Canarian plume.

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455 **Oxygen isotope composition of the peridotite and pyroxenite derived melts in the**
456 **source of El Hierro magmas**

457 Olivine from mantle xenoliths, mid-ocean ridge and most ocean island basalts generally
458 show a relatively narrow range of oxygen isotopic ratios ($\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}} = 5.0\text{--}5.4\text{‰}$; Matthey et
459 al., 1994). The values in excess of this range, as those from the lavas exhibiting EM2
460 ($\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}} = 5.4\text{--}6.1\text{‰}$) and HIMU ($\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}} = 4.7\text{--}5.1\text{‰}$) reservoirs (Eiler et al. 1997a;
461 Eiler 2001), or that of island arc magmas, are commonly attributed to the presence of
462 recycled crust in the source of magmas, which may possess both high- $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ and low- $\delta^{18}\text{O}$
463 signatures due to suspected low- and high-temperature surface processes or interacting
464 with seawater (e.g. Alt et al. 1986; Muehlenbachs 1986; Taylor and Sheppard 1986).
465 Recent studies also have suggested that high- and low- $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values of mantle olivines may

466 be related to either direct recycling of sediments and the upper portions of the slabs (high
467 $\delta^{18}\text{O}$) or their interior portions (low- $\delta^{18}\text{O}$) (e.g. Turner et al. 2007; Day et al. 2009, 2010).
468 Slab partial melts or slab-derived metasomatic agents, both being siliceous, would react
469 with peridotite forming variable in $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ pyroxenitic veins. It is also possible that high and
470 low $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ signatures counterbalance each other and lead to the “normal mantle” $\delta^{18}\text{O}$
471 average, as observed in adakites by Bindeman et al (2005). Because oxygen is a major
472 element with approximately the same concentration in most known terrestrial silicate
473 reservoirs, and deeply subducted oceanic crust appears to retain both ^{18}O -enriched and
474 ^{18}O -depleted components, each in relative proportions and with $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values broadly
475 similar to those in the crust prior to subduction (e.g. Bebout and Barton 1989; Putlitz et al.
476 2000), isotopic variations in the rocks can be interpreted as reflecting mass proportions of
477 the contributing source components. However, these high and low $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ portions can be
478 mechanically or convectively separated in the mantle yielding diverse in $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ partial melts.

479 In the approach discussed below, we consider each individual olivine crystal (or
480 even a smaller domain analyzed by SIMS) with known $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ as having crystallized from a
481 given portion of a hybrid magma, originated from mixing of peridotite and pyroxenite
482 derived partial melt fractions having different Sr-Nd-Pb isotopic composition, and their
483 relative proportions can be inferred from Ni (and Mn) concentrations of this olivine
484 (Gurenko et al. 2009, 2010). Such approach is particularly warranted because the observed
485 Fo, Ni, Mn and Ca heterogeneity of olivines from each individual rock sample suggest that
486 these olivines may represent entrained cumulates crystallized from diverse basaltic
487 magmas (Gurenko et al. 2006). In this context, each olivine crystal is treated as a
488 messenger of chemical and isotopic variations of parental magmas and consequently their
489 source regions. Furthermore, chemical composition of olivine (expressed in terms of Ni
490 and Mn concentrations and their ratios) and oxygen isotope ratio analyzed in the same spot
491 can be directly assigned to the proportions and isotopic values of the peridotitic and
492 pyroxenitic components in the magma source.

493 We observe that for the entire Canary Island hot spot track, there is no simple,
494 Canary-wide relationship between $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$ values and inferred fraction of the pyroxenite

495 endmember, as compared to such correlations observed for Sr-Nd-Pb radiogenic isotopes
 496 of the eastern and western Canary Islands (Gurenko et al. 2009, 2010), most consistent
 497 with a conclusion that both peridotite and pyroxenite components might vary in oxygen
 498 isotope composition. Only the olivine phenocrysts from one lava (EH4 basanite from El
 499 Hierro) show subtle linear correlations between $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$ and Fo contents ($R^2 = 0.36$,
 500 opposite to the *Contamination* trend taken from Wang and Eiler 2008) and Ni×FeO/MgO
 501 ratios ($R^2 = 0.29$), both being however significant at 95% confidence level (**Fig. 5a, d**). In
 502 overall, we suggest that the dataset can be explained by mixing of (i) peridotite with
 503 “normal mantle” or slightly lower $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values, (ii) high- $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ pyroxenite likely derived
 504 from the top of the recycled ocean crust and (iii) low- $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ component also having crustal
 505 (the interior portion of the slab) or lithospheric origin, in accordance with models proposed
 506 by Day et al. (2009, 2010) and Gurenko et al. (2009, 2010). In this context, the El Hierro
 507 basanite, whose Sr-Nb-Pb radiogenic isotope composition reflects a mixture of only two,
 508 the most extremely enriched (HIMU)-type peridotite and depleted (MORB)-type
 509 pyroxenite components (Gurenko et al. 2009), represents an exceptional case to assess
 510 directly the scale of oxygen isotope heterogeneity of the distinct mantle domains.

511 To calculate relative contribution of the peridotite and pyroxenite components to
 512 primary magma origin during partial melting, we used the equation taken from Gurenko et
 513 al. (2009):

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$$515 \quad X_{px} = 1.341\text{E-}03 \times [\text{Ni} \times \text{FeO} / \text{MgO}] - 0.437$$

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517 where X_{px} = weight fraction of pyroxenite derived melt (given in **Table S1**, *On-line*
 518 *Supplementary Information*). The regression relating $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$ and calculated X_{px} values
 519 was used to estimate oxygen isotope compositions in the postulated peridotite and
 520 pyroxenite derived end-members (**Fig. 6**). Then, if we consider the compositions of olivine
 521 as plotting along a single mixing line, extrapolating it to $X_{px} = 0$ and 1 in **Fig. 6**, we obtain
 522 that the enriched (HIMU)-type peridotitic and the depleted (MORB)-type pyroxenitic end-
 523 members are characterized by distinct $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$ values of 4.8 and $5.5 \pm 0.3\%$,

524 respectively. The 0.3‰-uncertainty was calculated assuming two sources of independent
525 random errors (Taylor 1982): (1) the 2σ analytical errors of individual measurements
526 (given in **Table S1**, *On-line Supplementary Information*) and (2) the uncertainty caused by
527 deviations of the measured isotope ratios from the regression line, calculated as:

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$$529 \quad \sigma_y^2 = \frac{1}{N-2} \sum_{i=1}^N (y_i - Ax_i - B)^2,$$

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531 where A and B are constants in linear regression ($y = A \times X_{px} + B$), N = number of points.
532 Finally, using the oxygen isotope equilibrium fractionation factor ($\Delta_{\text{olivine-melt}}$) of 0.4‰
533 (Eiler 2001) and converting the obtained $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$ values into those of the corresponding
534 silicate liquid endmembers, we obtain $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{melt}}$ of 5.2‰ for (HIMU)-type peridotite and
535 5.9‰ for (MORB)-type pyroxenite derived melts. Our present estimations broadly
536 correspond to the worldwide HIMU-type OIB and the upper limit N-MORB $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values
537 (Eiler et al. 1997a; Eiler 2001). The $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{melt}}$ of 5.9‰ obtained for the pyroxenitic
538 component, which is somewhat higher than that of typical N-MORB, may reflect possible
539 high-temperature metamorphic reactions occurring during subduction and recycling.

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541 **Effects of O isotope fractionation during partial melting**

542 We next address the question of whether the ~0.7‰ $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ difference between peridotite and
543 pyroxenite melt endmembers regressed in **Fig. 6** is due to possible thermodynamic effects
544 of oxygen isotopic fractionation between partial silicate melt and residual mineral phases
545 in the source. We have calculated a range of $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values of the modeled peridotite and
546 pyroxenite partial melts as a function of (i) source mineralogy, (ii) degree of partial
547 melting, and (iii) fractionation of oxygen isotopes between silicate minerals and melts. The
548 effects of two extreme mechanisms of partial melting i.e., modal batch and fractional
549 (Shaw 1970) were then compared (**Table 1**).

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The $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values of melts as a function of partial melting degree were calculated
assuming initial $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{init}} = 4.8\text{‰}$ for peridotite (i.e. “olivine equivalent” value obtained for

552 the peridotite endmember of El Hierro; **Fig. 6**) and varying $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{init}}$ values for pyroxenite
553 (4.6‰ being equal to the minimum $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$ value of the entire data set, 4.8‰, as that of
554 peridotite and 6.1‰, the highest $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$ of the data set). Assuming oxygen isotope
555 equilibrium between mineral and melt phases during the entire partial melting event, we
556 treated oxygen isotope fractionation factors similarly as distribution coefficients of
557 incompatible elements, using a set of equilibrium fractionation factors of oxygen isotopes
558 between olivine, clinopyroxene, orthopyroxene, garnet and coesite and picrite melt
559 [$\alpha_{\text{mineral-melt}} = (^{18}\text{O}/^{16}\text{O})_{\text{mineral}} / (^{18}\text{O}/^{16}\text{O})_{\text{melt}}$] taken from Eiler (2001), arbitrary assigning
560 $\alpha_{\text{quartz-melt}}$ to coesite (**Table 1**). The proportions of mineral phases together with partial
561 melting degrees were taken directly from experiments of Walter (1998) for garnet
562 peridotite and Yaxley and Sobolev (2007) and Sobolev et al. (2007) for pyroxenite. These
563 experiments were performed at high magmatic temperatures and within their relatively
564 narrow interval (1400–1650°C; **Table 1**). The proportions of mineral phases did not
565 change significantly in this temperature interval. This justifies using the selected mineral-
566 melt fractionation factors as constant values.

567 The results of the modeling could be summarized as following. Within a wide
568 range of partial melting degrees (up to 42%), melting of peridotite and pyroxenite mantle
569 sources having the same oxygen isotope composition (i.e., $\delta^{18}\text{O} = 4.8\text{‰}$) but differing
570 significantly in mineral compositions causes less than 0.2‰ difference in the resulting
571 partial melt $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values (**Table 1, Fig. 7**). Larger degree of pyroxenite partial melting, as
572 compared to peridotite, which follows from systematically lower temperature of the
573 pyroxenite solidus (i.e., 25–45% of pyroxenite vs. 4–15% of peridotite; Sobolev et al.
574 2005), cannot account for the observed ~0.7‰ difference. This implies that the anticipated
575 peridotite and pyroxenite endmembers in the Canarian magma source possess a difference
576 of at least 0.5‰ for the case of the El Hierro magma source. Given the broad range of
577 $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$ values found in the Canarian lavas, the oxygen isotopic difference between
578 distinct mantle domains of the Canary plume may be as large as 1.5‰.

579 In conclusion, we note that the results of the modeling are valid, if equilibrium
580 between coexisting mineral and liquid phases was reached during partial melting and melt

581 extraction. If separation of partial melts from a melting zone would have occurred more
582 rapidly (for which we however don't have direct evidence), the resulting oxygen isotope
583 disequilibria between the involved solid and liquid phases may affect the model outcome.
584 Finally, we conclude that the observed oxygen isotope range is impossible to explain by
585 varying oxygen isotope fractionation factors and conditions of partial melting and, as
586 proposed above, two (as in the case of El Hierro), three or even more isotopically distinct
587 peridotitic and pyroxenitic components are required.

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589 **Implications for magma underplating**

590 Although the broad $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$ range found in several individual picrite and basalt lavas
591 from the Canary Islands (up to 1.2‰, **Fig. 4**) is not as large as measured in single eruptive
592 units in Iceland or Kamchatka (ca 1-4‰, Bindeman et al. 2008; Auer et al. 2009), this may
593 have an important implication for magma residence time, cumulate formation and storage
594 in the magma plumbing system beneath the Canaries.

595 As we demonstrated above, the observed oxygen isotope heterogeneity of olivine
596 crystals is ultimately attributed to the composition of their parental magmas, which in turn
597 reflect the composition of their mantle sources. If so, these magmas remained unmixed in
598 the magma plumbing system during the entire ascent from the deep source region (about
599 100 km depths; Gurenko et al. 1996) to the shallower depths (<15 km in accordance with
600 fluid inclusion data; Gurenko et al. 1996, 1998). This conclusion is in agreement with a
601 channeling melt percolation model proposed by McKenzie (1985), Williams and Gill
602 (1989), Eggins (1992), being also independently supported by widely observed trace
603 element heterogeneities preserved in mineral-hosted melt inclusions (e.g. Sobolev and
604 Shimizu 1993, Gurenko and Chaussidon 1995; Sobolev et al. 2000). More recent detailed
605 mineralogical studies (Longpré et al. 2008) also provide evidence for decompression-
606 induced crystallization of the Canarian magmas upon rapid ascent.

607 Crystallization of such magmas generates crystal cumulates with variable $\delta^{18}\text{O}$
608 signature, which then are stored in the magma plumbing system. If subsequent magma

609 batches re-entrain such cumulates, transporting them to the surface, this may create isotope
610 diversity between individual crystals, as in the case of the studied Canary Island lavas.
611 Later partial isotopic and trace elemental re-equilibration of these olivines with the
612 transporting magmas due to intracrystalline solid diffusion (Costa and Chakraborty 2004)
613 is unlikely because (a) these olivines exhibit wide ranges in Fo contents in the cores, (b)
614 concentrations of Ni, Mn and Ca in olivine strongly correlate with bulk-rock radiogenic
615 isotope composition (Gurenko et al. 2009, 2010) and (c) the diffusion rate of oxygen in
616 olivine is several order of magnitude slower than that of Fe, Mg, Ni, Mn and Ca
617 (Chakraborty 1997; Coogan et al. 2005; Costa and Dungan 2005). In other words, if
618 olivine-melt re-equilibration would have occurred, the grain to grain major and minor
619 element variability would have disappeared first, while the oxygen isotope variability
620 would be still present. The cores of individual olivine phenocrysts, however, are
621 homogeneous in Fo, Ni, Mn and Ca across the grains, except for a thin (20–100 μm)
622 crystal rims just at the contact with groundmass, and show a wide range of Fo, Ni, Mn and
623 Ca in each individual lava sample (Gurenko et al., 2006, 2009, 2010).

624 Because the grain-to-grain major and minor element heterogeneity does exist in
625 each individual lava sample, residence time appears to be insufficient to anneal any cation
626 variability. The times inferred from O, Mg and Fe differ significantly. Tens to a few
627 hundred years are required to erase the observed grain-to-grain 1.4‰ oxygen isotope
628 variability (assigning the size of olivine crystals – from 300 μm to 1 mm – to the distance
629 from planar interface to calculate diffusion rate and $D_{\text{O-18}} = 1.1\text{E-}16 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$ at 1280°C taken
630 from Muehlenbachs and Kushiro 1974) but only 1 day to 1 month is required to account
631 for the observed up to 100 μm rim-to-core Mg-Fe zoning in individual olivine crystals,
632 assuming $D_{\text{Fe-Mg}} = 3.9\text{E-}11 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$ at 1280°C taken from Chakraborty (1997). This implies
633 that the host basalts rapidly carried olivines entrained from crystal cumulates differing in
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836 **Figure captions**

837 Fig. 1. The position of the Canary Islands relative to the western coast of Africa (modified
838 after Lundstrom et al. 2003). The numbers in parenthesis below the island/seamount names
839 refer to the oldest ages in million years obtained for shield stage volcanism from these
840 islands/seamounts (see Geldmacher et al. 2005), indicating a crude SW to NE progression
841 of increasing age. The circle to the NE of Gran Canaria labeled by “953” represents a
842 position of Site 953 drilled during the ODP Leg 157.

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844 Fig. 2. Composition of the Canarian olivines analyzed for O isotopes; (A) NiO and (B)
845 MnO concentrations vs. forsterite (Fo) contents, (C) Ni×FeO/MgO vs. Mn/FeO ratios.
846 SCO = San Carlos olivine USNM 111312/444 analyzed as unknown together with samples
847 of interest and representing real analytical uncertainty of EPMA.

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849 Fig. 3. Instrumental mass fractionation (*IMF*) obtained during secondary ion mass
850 spectrometry (*SIMS*) analyses (A) and correspondence of SIMS and laser fluorination (*LF*)
851 methods (B). (A) IMF (given in ‰) measured on SCO (Fo_{90.7}) vs. IMF on CI114 (Fo_{74.2})
852 reference olivines, demonstrating no relation of IMF as a function of olivine chemical
853 composition. (B) $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$ values obtained by SIMS and LF methods for the same olivine
854 crystals. Error bars represent average $\pm 2\sigma$ analytical uncertainty of a single measurement
855 by SIMS ($\pm 0.34\text{‰}$ during this study and $\pm 0.5\text{‰}$ obtained by Bindeman et al. 2008) versus
856 that of LF ($\pm 0.18\text{‰}$).

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858 Fig. 4. Oxygen isotopic composition of individual olivine grains analyzed by SIMS and LF
859 methods. The shaded vertical band marks the range of typical upper mantle olivine
860 (4.8–5.4‰; Matthey et al. 1994) and of olivine in equilibrium with N-MORB magmas
861 (assuming olivine-melt fractionation of -0.4‰ and the N-MORB range of 5.2–5.9‰, Eiler
862 et al. 2000). We point out the good agreement between SIMS and LF results. Error bars
863 represent average $\pm 2\sigma$ analytical uncertainty of each method. In this figure and Figs. 5
864 through 7, the $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values are given in permil units and defined relative to the Standard

865 Mean Ocean Water (SMOW, $^{18}\text{O}/^{16}\text{O} = 0.0020052 \pm 0.00000043$; Baertschi 1976)
866 standard i.e., $\delta^{18}\text{O} = [(^{18}\text{O}/^{16}\text{O}_{\text{sample}} - ^{18}\text{O}/^{16}\text{O}_{\text{SMOW}}) / ^{18}\text{O}/^{16}\text{O}_{\text{SMOW}}] \times 1000, \text{‰}$.

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868 Fig. 5. Relationships between $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values of individual olivine phenocrysts vs. their Fo
869 contents (A-C) and Ni \times FeO/MgO ratios (D-F). Panels (A, B, D, E) represent olivine
870 composition analyzed by SIMS from the western (A, D) and eastern (B, E) Canary Islands;
871 panels (C, F) represent olivine compositions analyzed by LF. The $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$ values show
872 significant scatter, either obtained by SIMS or by LF. Subtle correlations of $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$
873 values with Fo ($R^2 = 0.36$) and Ni \times FeO/MgO ratios ($R^2 = 0.29$) were found for one El
874 Hierro sample. *Contamination* trend shown in panels (A-C) demonstrates possible coherent
875 decrease of Fo and $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$ values due to magma contamination at shallow depth, found
876 in the Mauna Loa and Mauna Kea subaerial lavas by Wang and Eiler (2008). The error
877 bars represent average $\pm 2\sigma$ analytical uncertainty of SIMS and LF methods.

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879 Fig. 6. The relationship between $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$ and Ni \times FeO/MgO ratios of individual olivine
880 phenocrysts from EH4 basanite (El Hierro). The error bars represent $\pm 2\sigma$ analytical
881 uncertainty. The uncertainties of $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$ values of the peridotite and pyroxenite
882 endmembers were calculated assuming two sources of independent random errors: (1) the
883 analytical uncertainty of individual measurements and (2) the uncertainty caused by
884 deviations of the measured $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{olivine}}$ values from the regression line (Taylor 1982).

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886 Fig. 7. The effects of different source lithology on the oxygen isotope composition of the
887 peridotite and pyroxenite derived partial melts. The $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values given as a function of
888 partial melting degree were calculated assuming initial $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{init}} = 4.8\text{‰}$ for peridotite i.e.
889 the “olivine equivalent” obtained for the El Hierro peridotite source (**Fig. 6**) and varying
890 $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{init}}$ values (4.6‰, 4.8‰ and 6.1‰, respectively) for pyroxenite (see text). The oxygen
891 isotope equilibrium fractionation factors between minerals (olivine, orthopyroxene,
892 clinopyroxene, garnet and quartz) and picrite melt at 1400°C are taken from Eiler (2001)
893 and listed in **Table 1**. The phase proportions and partial melting degrees were taken

894 directly from experiments of Walter (1998) for garnet peridotite and Yaxley and Sobolev
895 (2007) and Sobolev et al. (2007) for pyroxenite (**Table 1**). The shaded *hybrid melt* fields
896 outline oxygen isotope compositions of the probable hybrid magmas originated after
897 mixing of pure peridotite and pyroxenite partial melts taking into account partial melting
898 degrees of coexisting peridotite and pyroxenite at given P-T conditions (i.e.,
899 $F_{\text{peridotite}}:F_{\text{pyroxenite}} = 4:25, 6:35$ and $11:41$; **Table 1** in Sobolev et al. 2005). We emphasize
900 that oxygen isotope fractionation during partial melting of peridotite and pyroxenite mantle
901 sources having the same oxygen isotope composition (i.e., $\delta^{18}\text{O} = 4.8\text{‰}$) but differing
902 significantly in the proportions of rock-forming mineral phases causes only less than 0.2‰
903 in the resulting partial melts.

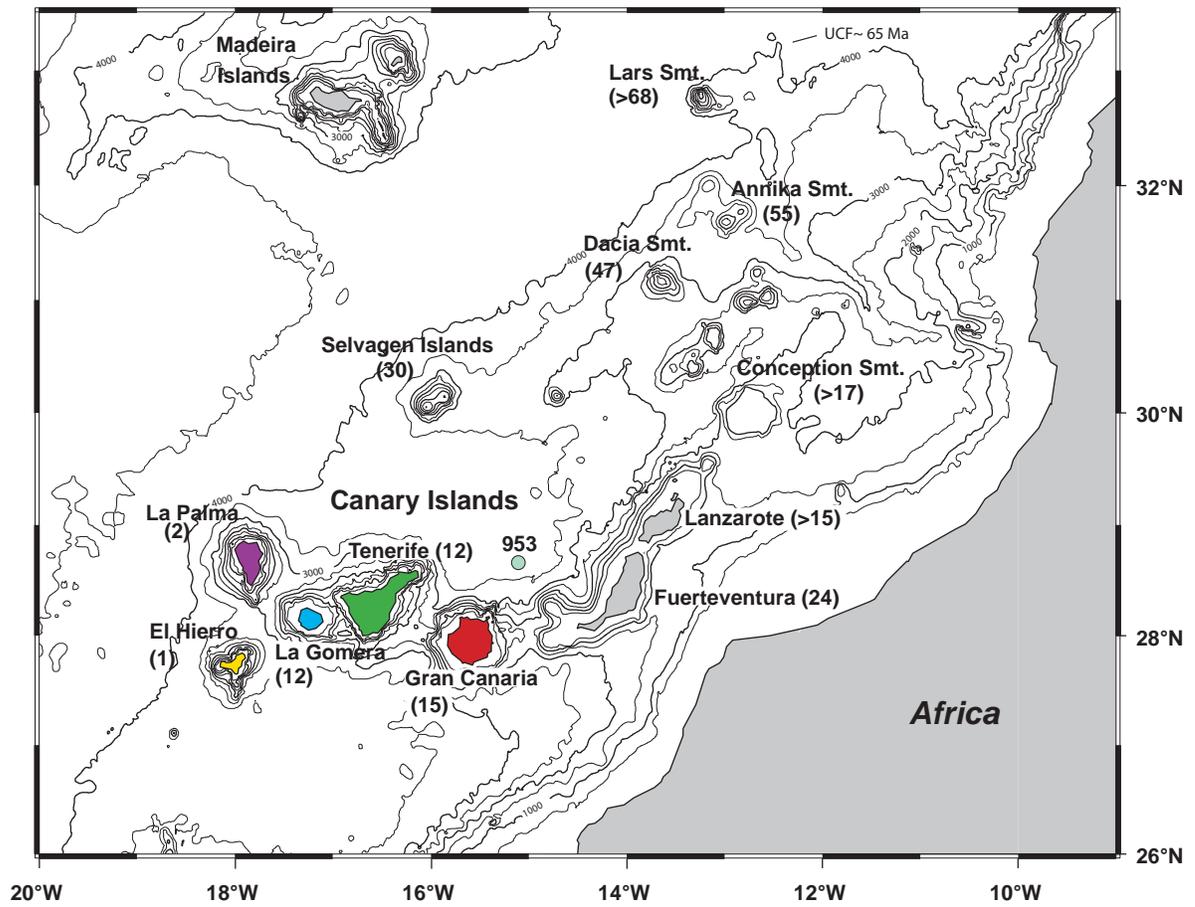


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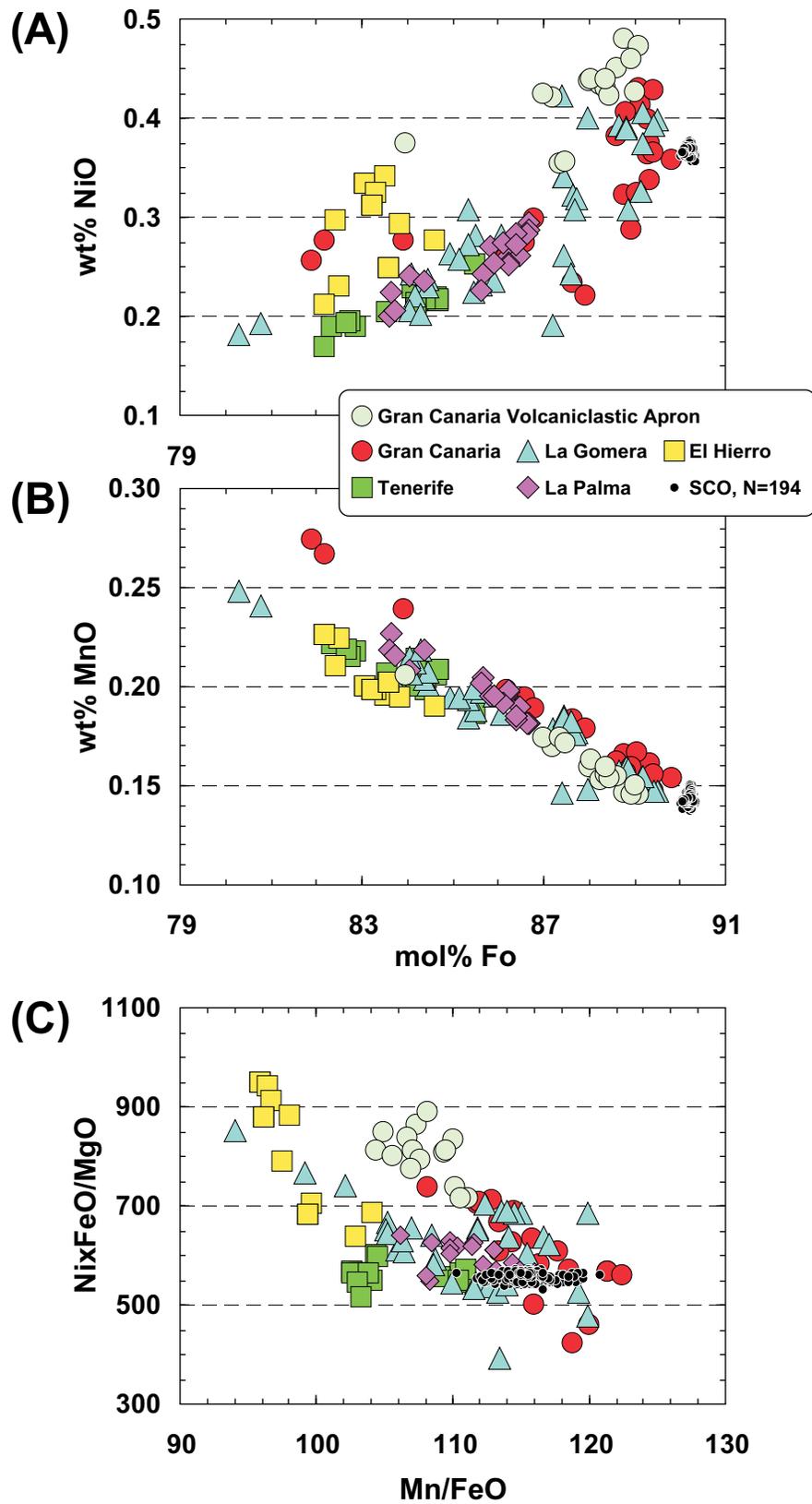


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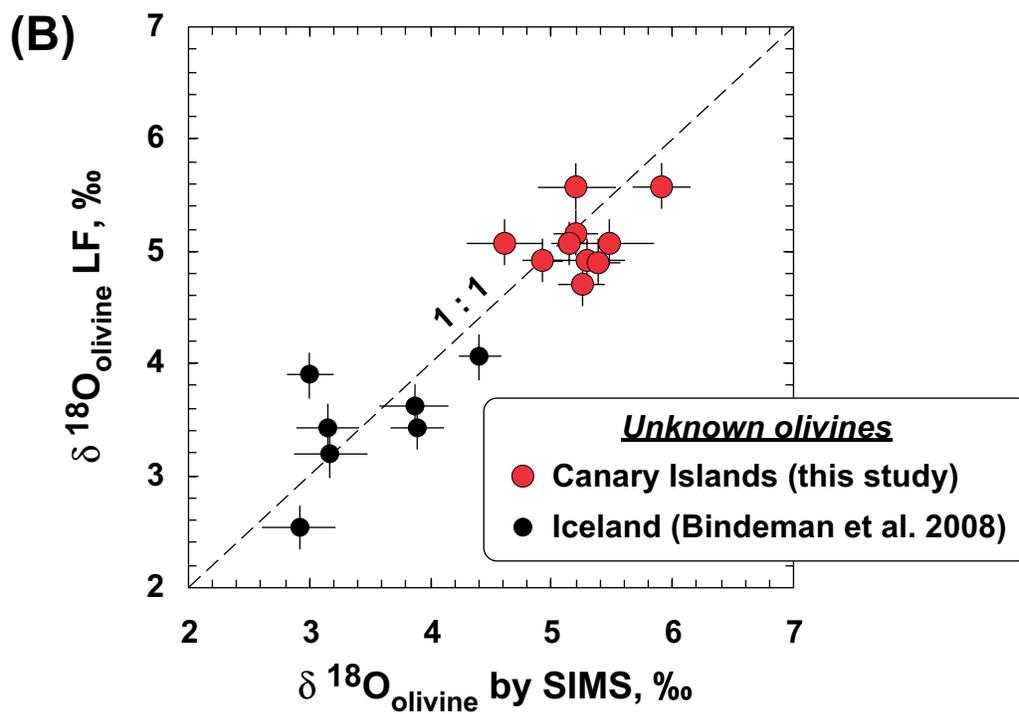
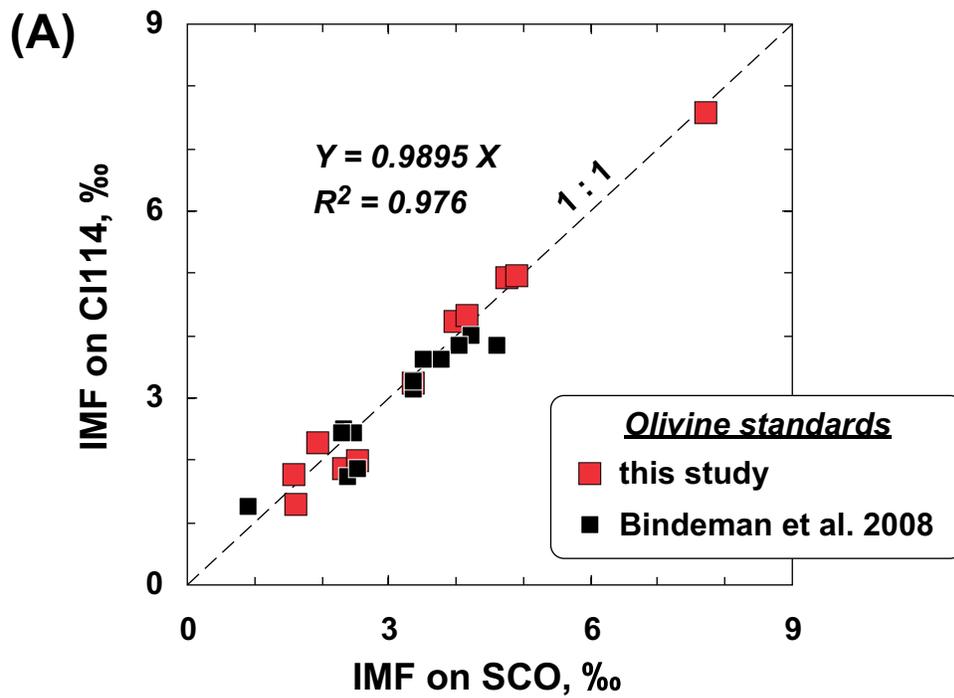


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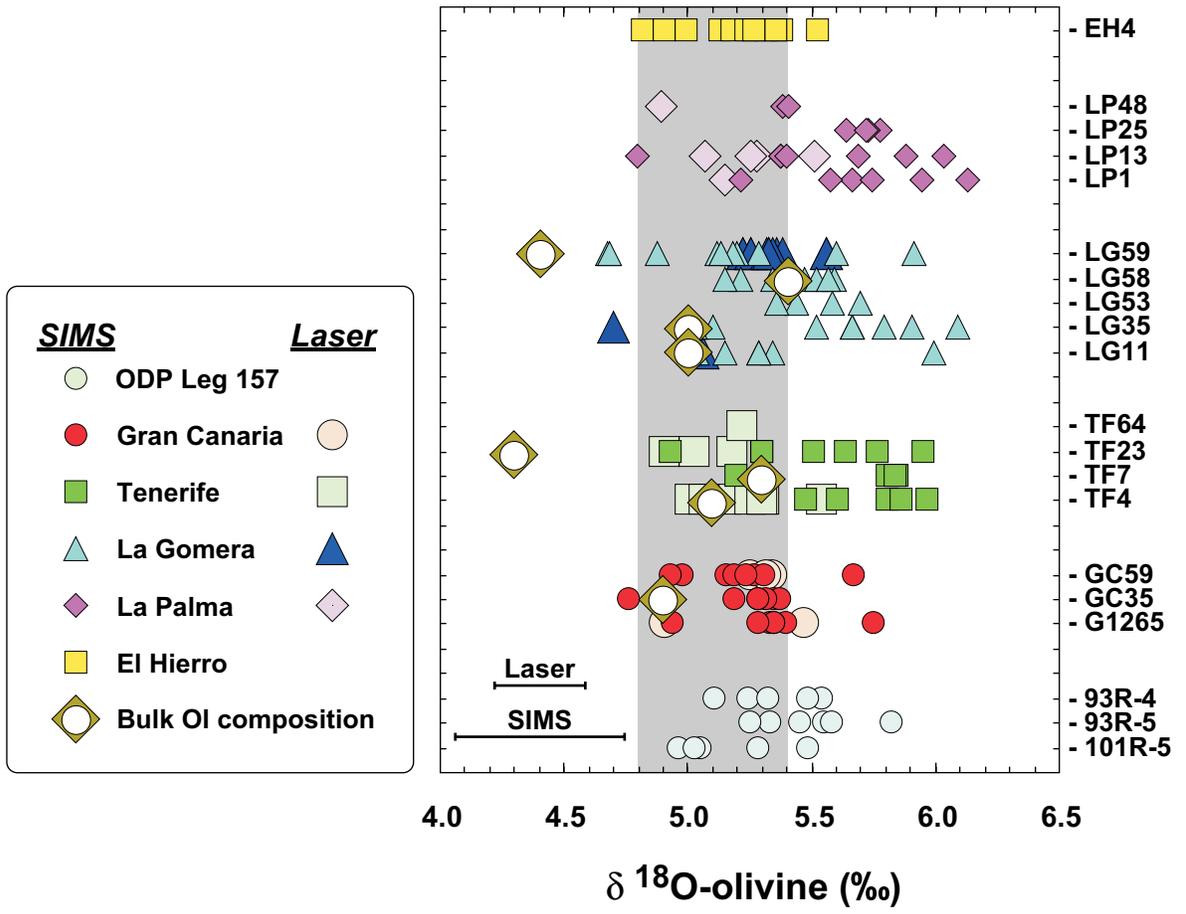


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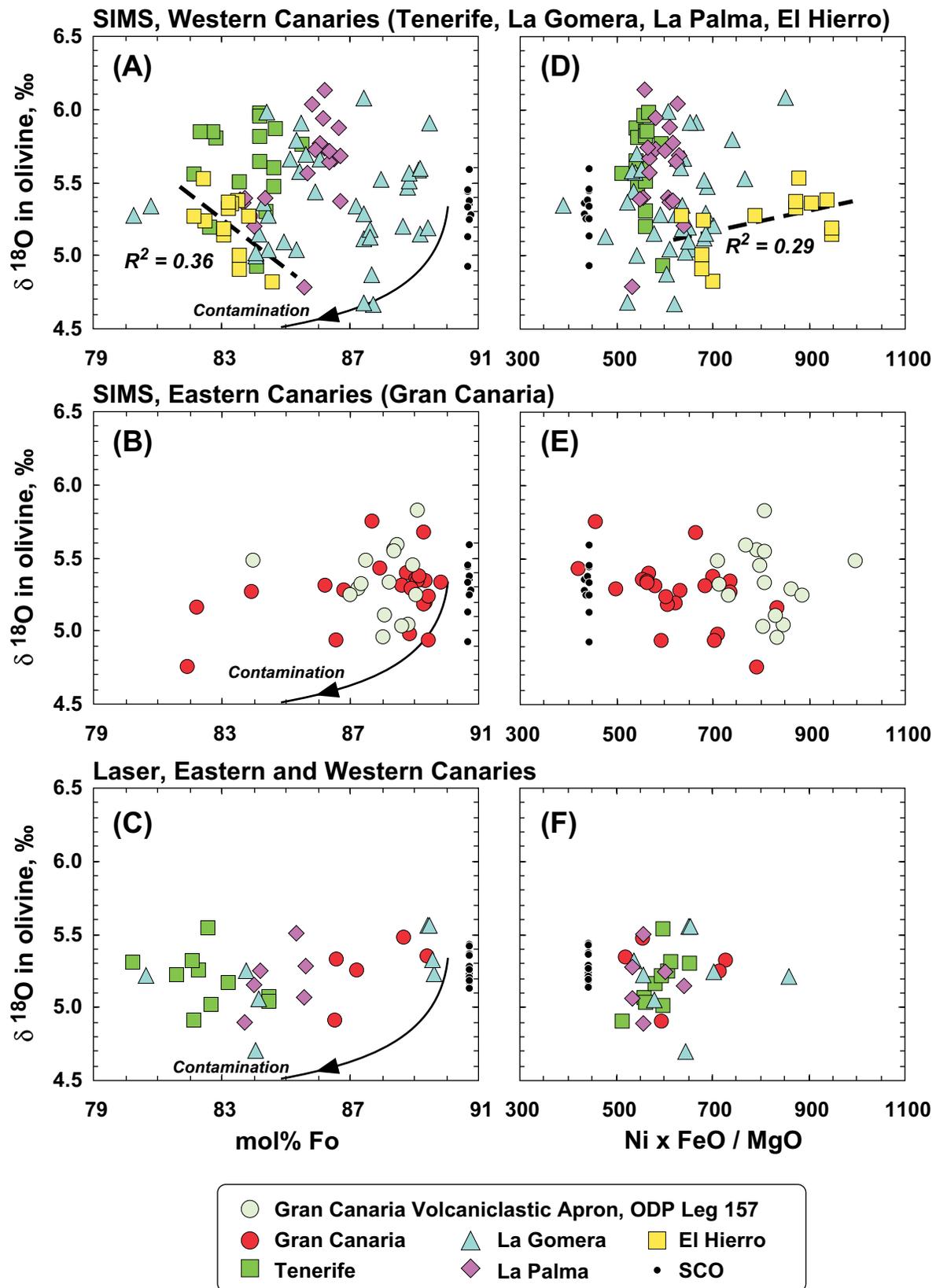


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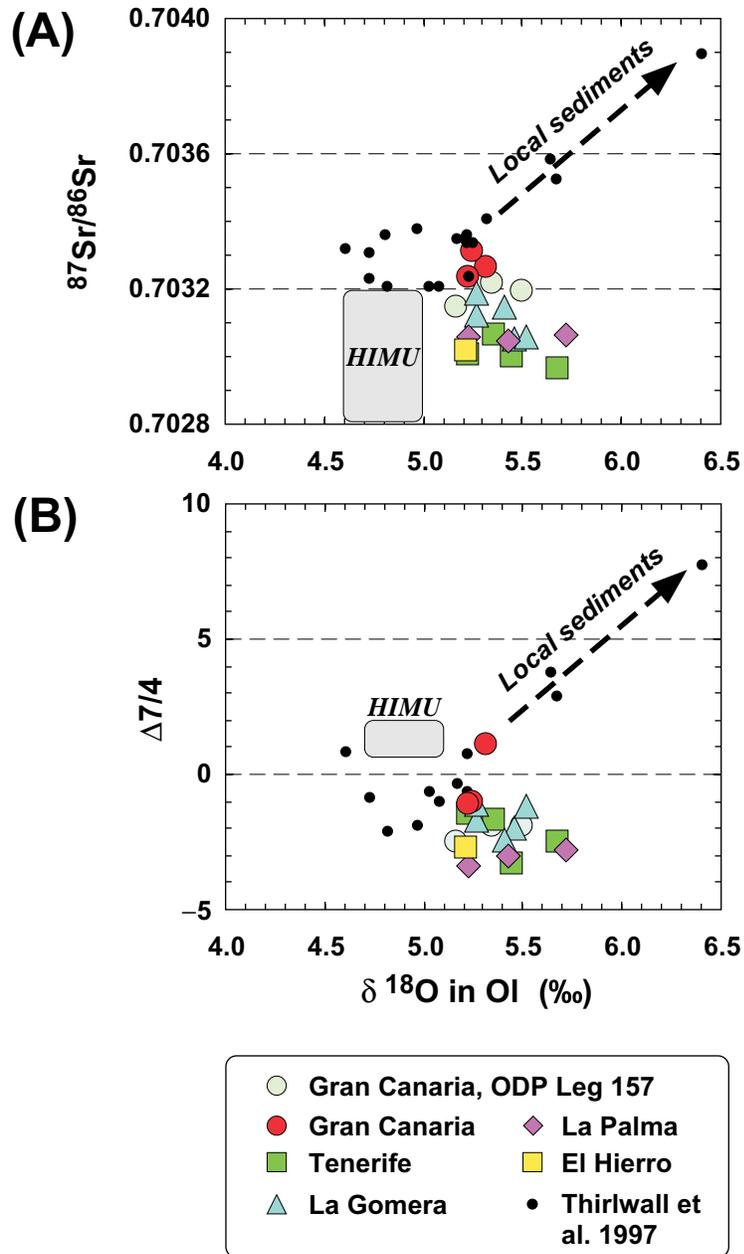


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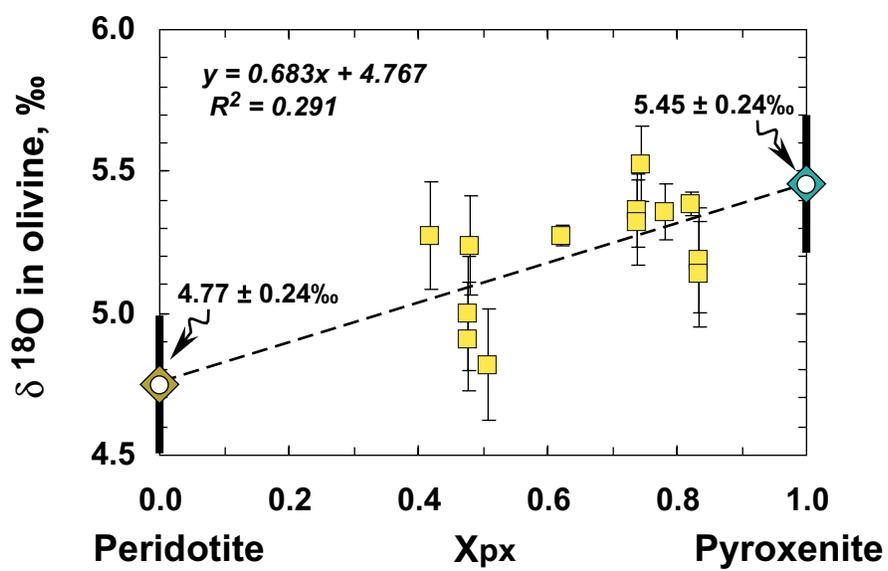


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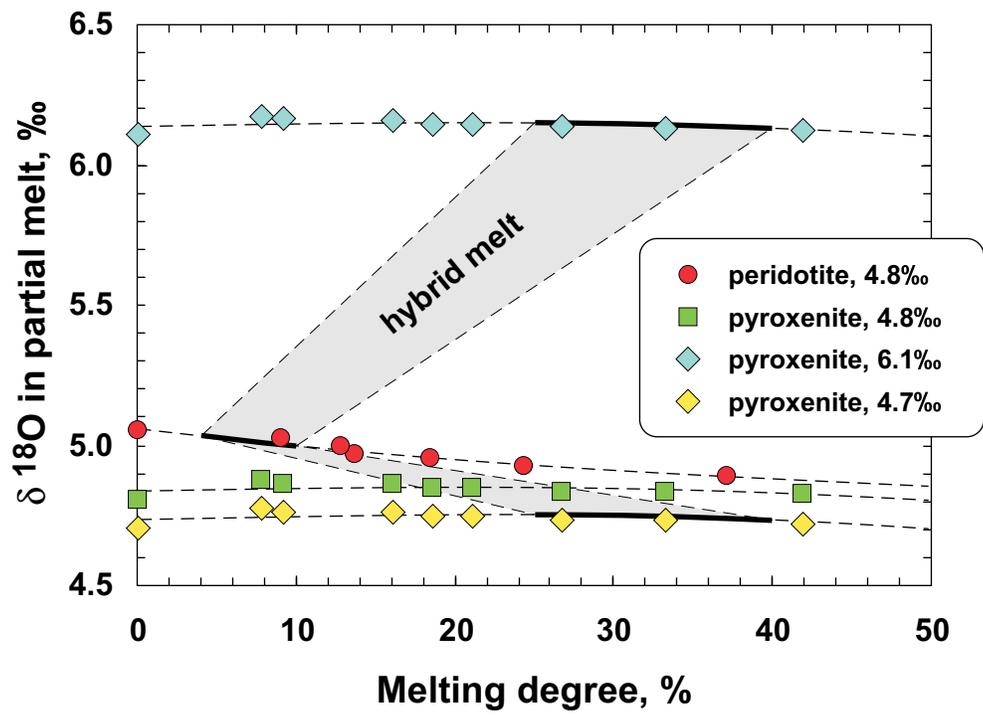


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