From Dust to Planets: Volatile element depletion in the inner Solar System

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Outlines

 Nature of planetary building blocks (chondrites min/pet)
Volatile depleted nature and its current budget (chemistry)
Earth atmosphere is leftover from erosion (isotopes)

Two paths to enlightenment





Courtesy of S. Desch via S. Stewart



- Super-Earths and Mini-Neptunes are everywhere, Jupiter-likes far less common.
- Disk run out of gas in only a few Ma.
- In this timeframe, dust grains grow from mm to Mars-sizes.
- Planets must form eventually because we see them everywhere, but we can't see how it was done nor where they formed.
- Migration requires gas, but if gas is around, runaway growth would make Jupiter instead of super-Earths and mini-Neptunes



Galactic Chemical Evolution

X (H) = 71.10% Y (He) = 27.41% Z (Astronomers "metal": Li-U) = 1.49%

C, *N*, *O*, and *Ne* dominate more than half of *Z*, and *C* and *O* are most abundant "metals": *C*: 0.247% *O*: 0.657%

CO is second most abundant gas next to H₂ C/O<1 dominates galactic chemical evolution

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Primary Solids: Dust inherited from ISM. Secondary Solids: Condensates, evaporation residue, molten chondrules, etc. Results of further processing of the

primary solids within solar nebula.



Mineral stability in solar nebula

(courtesy of Andy Davis)









Anatomy of cosmic sediments:

- High temperature refractory bits and pieces (CAIs, chondrules)
- 2. Low temperature fine grained dark matrix with pre-solar grains, organic matter and water

A key question is: How and when do these diverse components come together?



J. A. Wood (1985)





"Fredriksson' s Paradox"

- Different petrography;
- Variable proportions of chondrules to matrix;
- Identical bulk chemical composition

Implying:

- Prompt aggregation with the matrix after chondrules and CAIs formation (<< orbital period).
- If chondrules continued to orbit for thousands of years, expect aerodynamically sorted, thoroughly mixed morphology, textural identities lost!
- Local production, reflect local precursor reservoir chemistry



Parent body processes cannot produce forsteritic olivine. Aqueous alteration may produce FeO-rich olivine.

Courtesy of Palme

chondrules: Jones and Schilk (2009)

Sutter's Mill (CM chondrites)



$$Fe + H_2S = FeS + H_2$$

 $3Fe + 4H_2O = Fe_3O_4 + 4H_2$

 $3FeS + 4H_2O = Fe_3O_4 + 3H_2S + H_2$

Remnants of the Early Solar System Water Enriched in Heavy Oxygen Isotopes

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Science 2007



 $NH_3 \rightarrow N + 3/2 H_2$.

Carsbergite (CrN) a secondary mineral named after beer

Reactive ammonia in the solar protoplanetary disk and the origin of Earth's nitrogen nature 2015 geoscience

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"Sponges" that store volatiles

Table 1. Aqueously formed minerals in CI, CM, CR, CV, CO, R, and ordinary chondrites.

CI, CM, and CR chondrites

| serpentine | $Mg_3Si_2O_5(OH)_4$ |
|--------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| cronstedtite | $Fe_2^{2+}Fe_3^{3+}(Si,Fe_3^{3+})_2O_5(OH)_4$ |
| saponite | Ca _{0.25} (Mg,Fe) ₃ (Si ₄ O ₁₀)(OH) ₂ •nH ₂ O |
| tochilinite | 2[(Fe,Mg,Cu,Ni)S]•1.57-1.85[(Mg,Fe,Ni,Al,Ca)(OH) ₂] |
| calcite | CaCO ₃ (trigonal) |
| aragonite | CaCO ₃ (orthorhombic) |
| dolomite | $CaMg(CO_3)_2$ |
| siderite | FeCO ₃ |
| breunnerite | (Mg,Fe,Mn)CO ₃ |
| troilite | FeS |
| pyrrhotite | Fe _{1-x} S |
| pentlandite | $(Fe,Ni)_9S_8$ |
| magnetite | Fe ₃ O ₄ |
| cubanite | CuFe ₂ S ₃ |
| sphalerite | (Fe,Zn)S |



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2.X: Petrologic scale from Rubin et al., 2007





Figure 5 Bulk carbon contents (ppm) versus δ^{13} C (‰) in chondrites (Sources: Grady and Pillinger, 1986; Kerridge, 1985).

Krot et al (2014a ToG)

Matrix material

- Mixture of grains 10 nm 5 µm in size with ~solar bulk composition which rims chondrules, CAIs, metal grains, etc.
- Only 4 out of 4,000 chondrites have pristine matrices (Acfer 094, ALHA77307, Adelaide, Kakangari).



- Pristine C chondrite matrices contain forsterite Mg_2SiO_4 , enstatite $MgSiO_3$, and amorphous Fe-Mg-Si-O containing Fe-Ni metal or Fe-sulfides with admixture of carbonaceous material, refractory grains, and stardust (~0.001%).
- Complex mixture of grains that formed at different times and places; acquired when components accreted.
 - Ed Scott 2004

Comets and chondritic porous IDPs

• Chondritic porous IDPs closely resemble matrices of pristine carbonaceous chondrites.

• Both contain Mn-rich forsterite, rapidly cooled enstatite, and amorphous silicate material.

• Forsterite, enstatite, and amorphous silicate also present in comas of long-period comets: up to 30-50% crystalline (Wooden et al., 2004).

• Major fraction of silicate in comets formed in the disk at high temperatures, probably as condensates.



Thermally processed dust was ubiquitous in the disk.

Ed Scott 2004

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Cosmochemical Classification of the **Elements**

| | elements | |
|---------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| | lithophile (silicate) | siderophile + chalcophile (sulphide + metal) |
| efractory | $T_c = 1850-1400 \text{ K}$ Al, Ca, Ti, Be, Ba, Sc, V, Sr, Y, Zr, Nb, Ba, REE, Hf, Ta, Th, U, Pu | Mo, Ru, W, Re, Os, Ir, Pt |
| nain component | $T_c = 1350 - 1250 \text{ K}$ Mg, Si, Cr, Li | Fe, Ni, Co, Pd |
| moderately volatile | $T_{\rm c}=1230{-}640~{\rm K}$ Mn, P, Na, Rb, K, F, Zn | Au, Cu, Ag, Ga, Sb, Ge, Sn, Se, Te, S |
| highly volatile | T _c < 640 K B, Cl, Br, J, Cs, Tl, C, O, Ne, Ar, Kr, Xe | In, Bi, Pb, Hg, H |

H. Palme (2001)

 T_c denotes condensation temperatures at a pressure of 10^{-4} bar.

Chondrite (CHUR)=Bulk Solar System





Asplund et al. 2009 Lodders et al. 2009 All subsequent processing is recorded in the deviation from this correlation

Courtesy of K. McKeegan









ISM Gas Phase Composition



For moderately volatile elements, interstellar gas phase data is "mirror-imaged" by the meteorite data.





Inheritance Model

1. Interstellar Stage:

2. Molecular Cloud Stage:

3. Solar Nebula Stage:

Red: Refractory Grains Green: Ice mantle with volatiles





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J. M. Greenberg (1998)



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Fig. 1. Noble gas abundances in planetary atmospheres and CI chondrites, plotted as the atom concentration relative to Si divided by the corresponding solar ratio. Data are from a compilation by *Pepin* (1991). Note that ranges of Kr and Xe values are shown for Venus.



Qualitatively, missing Xe of about one log unit is discernible. ca. 90%



For mass-dependent Rayleigh distillation, all the points should fall on a straight line through the origin. Ozima and Podosek (1999): First quantitatively derived the missing Xe amount to be 86% based on the least square fit.





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