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#### 28 ABSTRACT

29 Continental arc lavas display geochemical signatures that reflect both mantle 30 metasomatism by slab fluids or melts and extensive differentiation of magmas within crustal 31 reservoirs. The relative effect of source and crustal processes are difficult to disentangle based on 32 whole-rock compositions. This issue is critical in Ecuador where volcanism occurs through a 33 thick continental crust (>50 km). This study reconstructs the history of melts feeding the Guagua 34 Pichincha volcano, Western Cordillera, by analysing the Pb isotope composition and major-trace 35 element content of individual minerals (33 amphiboles, 4 orthopyroxenes and 18 plagioclases) 36 hosted in two dacite samples. It uses a low-blank wet-chemistry method for precise analysis of 37 Pb amounts as low as 150 pg.

Early crystallized, high-Al amphiboles with Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>≥ 9.8 wt.% and Eu/Eu\*>0.7 have the 38 lowest and most heterogeneous <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb (18.816-18.999), whereas plagioclases have the 39 highest and most homogeneous <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb (19.003-19.023). Low-Al amphiboles and 40 41 orthopyroxenes display intermediate compositions and variability (18.934-19.007). The <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb ratio correlates negatively with Eu/Eu\* in amphiboles and orthopyroxenes, which 42 43 indicates that the Guagua Pichincha magmas assimilate radiogenic Pb within the stability field of 44 plagioclase (i.e. in the upper crust). The radiogenic ankaramites of the Guaranda unit, an accreted 45 ocean terrain making the basement of the Western Cordillera, are the most suitable contaminant. 46 If this is correct, the <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb increase from the two most primitive amphiboles to their 47 respective host rocks requires ca. 20% crustal assimilation, which is higher than previous 48 estimates in the Northern Volcanic Zone but similar to those inferred for Central Andean mafic lavas. The two most primitive amphiboles with no significant Eu anomaly record the 49 50 composition of melts before plagioclase crystallization. These deep melts have contrasted <sup>51</sup> <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb ratios (18.816 -18.879) and contents of fluid mobile elements (Li, Cu, Rb, Pb) that <sup>52</sup> probably reflect the input of different slab components to the mantle wedge. Melts in equilibrium <sup>53</sup> with the two most primitive amphiboles of the Guagua Pichincha volcano are enriched in <sup>54</sup> incompatible elements, but depleted in fluid mobile elements compared to the olivine-hosted <sup>55</sup> melt inclusions of the older Rucu Pichincha volcano. This supports previous inferences based on <sup>56</sup> whole-rock data that the mantle source of the Pichincha Volcanic Complex has changed through <sup>57</sup> time.

## 59 **1. Introduction**

60 Arc magmas display a much larger compositional variability than those generated at 61 ocean ridges or intraplate volcanism. Such heterogeneity reflects variations in the nature and 62 amount of subducted material along with the geodynamics and thermal state of the arc system 63 (e.g. Gill, 1981; Hawkesworth et al., 1993; Turner et al., 2016), and the variable contamination 64 of mantle-derived melts within the arc crust (e.g. Taylor, 1980; Hildreth and Moorbath 1988; 65 Annen et al., 2006). Indeed, the crustal filter generally blurs the chemical and isotopic signature 66 of mantle melts, hampering the study of subduction processes. This issue is particularly 67 important in continental arc settings where thick crust promotes extensive modification of mantle magmas (Hildreth and Moorbath, 1988; Annen et al., 2006; Mantle and Collins, 2008; Farner 68 and Lee, 2017). Primitive melt compositions are conventionally measured in melt inclusions 69 70 hosted in early crystallizing minerals (Sobolev, 1996; Schiano, 2003). However, accurately 71 measuring radiogenic isotopes in melt inclusions remains a very challenging task (Paul et al., 72 2011; Rose-Koga et al., 2012; Reinhard et al., 2018) and sufficiently large melt inclusions are absent in many arc eruptive products. Hence, geochemists lack an unequivocal method to 73 74 discriminate slab, mantle and crustal components in arc magmas.

In Ecuador, this issue is critical as the continental crust thickness exceeds 50 km (Guillier et al., 2001; Vaca et al., 2019), resulting in the scarcity of primitive compositions in bulk eruption products (Monzier et al., 1999; Hidalgo et al., 2012; Ancellin et al., 2017) and the rare occurrence of olivine-hosted melt inclusions (Le Voyer et al., 2008; Narváez et al., 2018). In such a situation, this study attempts to trace the source and crustal history of Ecuador arc magmas from the Pb isotopic composition of minerals. To this end, we have developed a wet– chemistry method for measuring precisely the isotope composition of small Pb amounts (Pb > 82 0,15 ng). We use this method to analyse single minerals hosted in hand-sized samples from 83 Guagua Pichincha, the youngest edifice of the long-lived Pichincha volcanic complex (Western 84 Cordillera, Ecuadorian Andes) (Samaniego et al., 2010). Analysing both early and late 85 crystallizing minerals allows us to reconstruct the Pb isotope evolution of melts within the crust, and to constrain the composition of the primitive melts. The data are used to disentangle the 86 87 signature of the magma source from the effects of crustal contamination, and to discuss the 88 origin of the elevated ratios of heavy to light Rare Earth Elements that generally characterize 89 frontal arc volcanoes. The large Pb isotope heterogeneity of minerals also raises questions on the 90 significance of the bulk isotopic composition of extensively crystallized rocks commonly 91 produced in continental arcs, and their relevance for tracking changes in the magma source.

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## 2. Geological setting and main scientific goal

94 The Ecuadorian arc is part of the Northern Volcanic Zone of the Andes. It results from 95 the subduction of the Nazca plate below the South American continent, at a rate of 55-60 mm/year (Trenkamp et al., 2002, Nocquet et al., 2014). The main part of the arc developed in 96 97 front of the Carnegie ridge, which is the track of Galápagos hotspot activity on the Nazca plate 98 (Fig. 1). In Ecuador, the arc is composed of the Western and the Eastern Cordilleras separated by 99 the Interandean valley. It roughly includes 84 Quaternary volcanic edifices that lie upon a ~50 100 km-thick crust for the most, apart from back-arc volcanoes which rest upon a 30-40 km-thick 101 crust (Feininger and Seguin, 1983; Guillier et al., 2001; Vaca et al., 2019).

102 The Pichincha Volcanic Complex is located in the Western Cordillera a few kilometres to 103 the west of Quito (Fig. 1). It rests on oceanic terrains accreted between the late Cretaceous and 104 the Palaeogene (Mamberti et al., 2003; Jaillard et al., 2004, 2008). The volcanic complex 105 includes the old Rucu Pichincha volcano, which erupted mostly andesites between 1.1 and 0.15 106 Ma, and the Guagua Pichincha volcano that erupted mainly dacites since 60 ka (Robin et al., 107 2010). During the Rucu Pichincha to Guagua Pichincha transition, ratios of trace elements that 108 are more vs. less incompatible (e.g. Th/La, La/Yb) increased, whereas fluid-mobile to fluid-109 immobile element ratios (e.g. Ba/Th, B/Th) decreased, which led Samaniego et al. (2010) to 110 suggest that the metasomatic agent evolved from a hydrous-fluid to a siliceous-melt. These 111 authors linked the evolution from slab dehydration to slab partial melting to an increasing 112 geothermal gradient during the subduction of the Carnegie Ridge. This model assumes that 113 crustal processing of Pichincha magmas is a second order process, which is supported by the small variations of whole-rock <sup>87</sup>Sr/<sup>86</sup>Sr (0.70396–0.70412), <sup>143</sup>Nd/<sup>144</sup>Nd (0.51286–0.51293) and 114 115  $\delta^{18}$ O (7.5-7.8%) (Samaniego et al., 2010; Hidalgo et al., 2012). On the other hand, Chiaradia et 116 al. (2009) observed some correlation between the small Pb and Sr isotopic variations and 117 evolution indices (e.g. CaO, K<sub>2</sub>O). These authors emphasized the importance of crustal 118 contamination of Pichincha magmas, and more generally, suggested that high La/Yb and Sr/Y 119 ratios of frontal arc volcanoes first reflect magma evolution and crustal assimilation below the 120 stability field of plagioclase rather than slab melting. Chiaradia et al. (2014) subsequently noted that the variable, but on average elevated  $\delta^{37}$ Cl (+0.55 to 2.66%) of Rucu Pichincha samples is 121 122 consistent with the input in the volcano mantle source of few wt.% of different types of slab 123 fluids. As part of this debate, this study presents a new isotopic approach on minerals to better 124 assess the respective roles of source heterogeneity and crustal contamination in controlling the 125 composition of Pichincha magmas.

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127 **3. Samples and methods** 

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#### **3.1 Samples**

129 We picked 55 minerals from two dacite samples that correspond to two dome-forming 130 eruptions of the Guagua Pichincha: PICH158 corresponds to a juvenile block from a block-and-131 ash flow deposit associated with the 1999-2001 eruption of the active Guagua Pichincha dome 132 (the so-called Cristal dome); and PICH66D is a juvenile block from an explosive eruption of 133 early Holocene age (9.8-10.9 ka BP) from the Toaza dome complex (Robin et al., 2010). We 134 chose these two samples because they represent two dacites groups with different trace elements 135 contents: Toaza dacites are enriched in some incompatible elements and display more variable 136 trace elements ratios (Samaniego et al., 2010). The samples have 62-64 wt.% SiO<sub>2</sub>, low 137 concentrations of Heavy Rare Earth Elements (REE) (0.76-0.82 ppm Yb) and elevated Sr/Y 138 ratios (59-63) (Appendix). PICH158 is porphyritic with phenocrysts of plagioclase (10-20 139 vol.%), amphibole (<10 vol.%), orthopyroxene (<5 vol.%), and Fe-Ti oxides (<1-2 vol.%) 140 (Garcia-Aristizabal et al., 2007; Samaniego et al., 2010). Accessory phases include 141 clinopyroxene and apatite. The dominantly glassy groundmass (~73-80 vol.%) is rhyolitic in 142 composition and hosts microlites of the same mineral assemblage. PICH66D is a glassy pumice 143 hosting phenocrysts of plagioclase (~5-10 vol.%), amphibole (~5 vol.%), orthopyroxene (<5 144 vol.%) and rare clinopyroxene and olivine.

Plagioclase shows euhedral habits and a wide compositional range  $(An_{29-77} \text{ for } 1999-2001)$ dacite and  $An_{32-58}$  for the older Toaza dacite). It mostly shows reverse and oscillatory zoning patterns with frequent disequilibrium features such as dusty concentric zones and cores. Amphibole is the main mafic phase in the Guagua Pichincha dacites. We found two compositional groups: (1) common low-Al (6–10 wt.% Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>) magnesium–hornblende, and (2) scarce high-Al (10–15 wt.% Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>) tschermakite and magnesium–hastingsite. These different 151 amphibole compositions occur in the same sample, and in some cases high-Al cores are 152 overgrown by low-Al rims. Orthopyroxene is also a common phenocryst with mostly euhedral 153 habits and Mg# ranging from 62 to 85 (1999-2001 dacite) and 64 to 72 (Toaza dacite) and 154 frequent normal zoning patterns. We should stress that orthopyroxene also occurs as overgrowth 155 rims of anhedral olivine and clinopyroxene crystals. Fe-Ti oxides appear as microphenocrysts 156 and microlites as well as inclusions in other minerals. Magnetite is the most common oxide 157 although some ilmenites are also encountered. Lastly, clinopyroxene also appears as euhedral 158 and subhedral phenocryts with a restricted compositional range (Mg# 71-83); and olivine appears 159 as subhedral reactional crystals (Fo<sub>78-86</sub>).

On the basis of a thermobarometric analysis, Samaniego et al. (2010) propose that the low-Al amphibole crystallizes at low pressure (100-250 MPa) that is well within the upper crust. In contrast, the crystallisation depth for high-Al amphiboles is less well constrained, but their compositions are similar to that of experimental amphiboles formed between 400 and 1000 MPa (Prouteau and Scaillet, 2003). Based on this observation, it is considered that the high-Al amphiboles crystallized at higher pressures and temperatures than the low-Al amphiboles (Samaniego et al., 2010).

167 Crystals of plagioclase, amphibole and orthopyroxene were chosen with sizes ranging 168 from 0.6 to 1.5 mm on the longest axis. Nineteen amphibole, 4 orthopyroxene and 14 plagioclase 169 phenocrysts from PICH158 and 14 amphibole and 4 plagioclase phenocrysts from PICH66D 170 were analysed for major, trace and Pb isotope compositions.

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## 172 **3.2 Analytical methods**

173 Minerals were picked under the binocular microscope in previously crushed and sieved 174 samples. We focused on minerals with no (or almost no) attached glass to avoid leaching. 175 Minerals were weighted on a Mettler micro-weighing scale with a precision of 0.001 mg, rinsed 176 with H<sub>2</sub>O MQ several times and dried in a clean hood. Minerals were transferred into savillex 7 177 mL vials. Minerals carrying small amount of rock matrix were leached with 3 mL of HCl 6N at 178 80°C for 3h. Then, dissolution was carried out with a solution of 0.5 mL of concentrated HF and 0.5 mL of concentrated HNO<sub>3</sub> at 90°C for about 48 h. A beaker containing 279 pg of <sup>206</sup>Pb-179 180 enriched NBS 983 spike was added to each series to determine Pb blank by isotopic dilution. 181 After 24 h of attack, solutions were put in an ultrasound bath for 20 minutes and put back on the 182 heating plate. Samples were then evaporated to dryness. One drop of concentrated HNO<sub>3</sub> was 183 added and evaporated to dryness in order to remove Si-fluorides. Samples were fully dissolved in 500 µl of 7M HNO<sub>3</sub>. An aliquot of 50 µl was taken to analyse major and trace elements while the 184 185 remaining solution was used for Pb isotope analysis. Both solutions were evaporated to dryness.

186 Aliquots intended to major-trace element analysis were dissolved in 3 mL of 0.44N 187  $HNO_3$  - 0.05N HF. Measurement of major and trace elements was carried out with an inductively 188 coupled plasma quadrupole mass spectrometer (ICP-MS Agilent 7500). Concentrations were 189 calibrated relative to 200 ppb (Na, Mg, Al, Ca, Fe) and 1-10 ppb (trace elements) synthetic 190 solutions (Inorganic Ventures). Data and analytical errors are reported in Appendix. Leached 191 minerals were also analysed, their concentrations are indicative. Major and trace element data on 192 dissolutions are in good agreement with concentrations determined in-situ on thin sections 193 (microprobe and LA-ICP-MS, unpublished data), comforting the idea that no xenocryst was 194 picked.

195 Sample aliquots intended to Pb isotope analysis were dissolved in one drop of concentrated HBr to complex Pb with Br as PbBr<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup> and PbBr<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>, and evaporated to dryness. Lead 196 197 separation was carried out with 100-200 mesh AG1X8 anionic resin following the protocol of 198 Vlastélic et al. (2013). This procedure was slightly modified to avoid the evaporation step 199 between the two purification steps: the 1 mL solution used to elute Pb during the first chemistry 200 (solution B: 0.05 HNO<sub>3</sub> – 0.03N HBr) was transformed to solution used to load Pb during the 201 second chemistry (solution A: 0.05 HNO<sub>3</sub> – 0.2N HBr) by adding 20  $\mu$ L of concentrated HBr. 202 Elutes were evaporated to dryness, dissolved in 2 drops of concentrated HNO<sub>3</sub> and evaporated to 203 dryness again. For all the protocol, concentrated HNO<sub>3</sub> and HBr acids used were distilled twice. 204 The amount of Pb separated ranges from 21 ng to 150 pg.

205 Lead isotopes were measured with a multi-collector inductively-coupled-plasma mass spectrometer set up for high sensitivity (large interface pump, Jet sample cone and a X-skimmer 206 207 cone) (MC-ICP-MS Neptune Plus, Laboratoire Magmas et Volcans, Clermont-Ferrand, France). 208 The solutions were introduced in free-aspiration mode through an Aridus II desolvating nebulizer 209 system at a rate of 100 µl/min. The major <sup>208</sup>Pb, <sup>207</sup>Pb and <sup>206</sup>Pb isotopes were measured using conventional  $10^{11}\Omega$  resistors whereas <sup>204</sup>Pb was measured using a  $10^{12}\Omega$  resistor. A Thallium 210 211 isotopic standard (NBS 997) was used to correct for mass fractionation. For a set of samples, 212 instability between Tl and Pb fractionation factors led us to correct for mass fractionation 213 externally by standard bracketing. These are marked up on Table 1. Two different modes of 214 analysis were used: a "regular" mode when the sample contained 1 ng of Pb or more, and a 215 "quick" mode otherwise. In the "regular" mode, samples were diluted in >1 ml of Tl NBS997 in 216 0.05N HNO<sub>3</sub> to obtain Pb concentrations in the range of 1-10 ppb and Pb/Tl ratios in the range 2-5. The total Pb beam was 10 to 12x10<sup>-11</sup> A for 5 ppb Pb solutions, and yielded 2 standard 217

218 deviations of 100 ppm or less after 50 measurement cycles. We found that the use of a  $10^{12}\Omega$ instead of a  $10^{11}\Omega$  resistor for measuring <sup>204</sup>Pb does not significantly improve the standard 219 deviation of <sup>204</sup>Pb-normalized ratios for Pb concentration  $\geq 1$  ppb (<sup>204</sup>Pb beam > 3x10<sup>-13</sup> A). In 220 221 "quick" mode, samples were diluted in a smaller volume (300 µL or 500 µL) to maintain the Pb concentration of the analysed solution above 0.5 ppb ( $^{204}$ Pb beam > 1.5x10 $^{-13}$  A), which allowed 222 223 us to analyse precisely Pb amounts as low as 150 pg. For Pb concentration of 0.5 ppb, the use of the  $10^{12}\Omega$  resistor maintains the in-run error below 500 ppm. Baseline and peak center were not 224 225 performed at the beginning of the analysis, and isotopic ratios were measured from the onset of 226 sample aspiration until sample exhaustion. The transient signal was treated offline as shown in 227 Figure 2. Standard deviation estimated by repeated analysis of the NBS 981 standard in the same conditions as samples ("quick" mode) yielded 2 standard deviations between 284 and 569 ppm 228 on <sup>204</sup>Pb-normalised isotopic ratios. Isotopic ratios corrected for mass fractionation were re-229 230 normalized to the NBS 981 value of Todt et al. (1996), to be easily compared with most of Pb 231 isotope data from Ecuador (Ancellin et al., 2017). Blank contents are compiled in Table 1 along with their corresponding samples, and vary from 4.5 pg to 21.4 pg. During the course of this 232 study, clean room Pb isotope composition was between 17.833 and 18.494 for <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb, 233 15.575 and 15.620 for <sup>207</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb, 37.81 and 38.14 for <sup>208</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb. Sample compositions were 234 235 corrected for blank, although blank correction was smaller than the associated 2 standard 236 deviation for each mineral analysed.

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## **4. Results**

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4.1 Major and trace element composition of minerals

240 Major-trace element concentrations of minerals are reported in Appendix and rare earth 241 element patterns are shown in Figure 3. Amphiboles show relatively flat rare earth element 242 patterns, with slight enrichment of middle REE. They show a marked compositional evolution, 243 from high-Al (up to 12.9 wt.% Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>), low incompatible element content (i.e. 1.6 ppm La), and 244 no Eu anomaly [Eu/Eu\*=Eu<sub>N</sub>/(Sm<sub>N</sub> x Gd<sub>N</sub>)<sup>0.5</sup>=0.95] to low-Al (as low as 5.8 wt.% Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>), high 245 incompatible element content (i.e. 26 ppm La) and marked negative Eu anomaly (Eu/Eu\*=0.41) (Fig. 4a, b). This evolution is also characterized by a factor of 3 to 5 increase of La/Yb, Nb/Zr 246 247 and Nd/Pb, and a comparable decrease of Sr/Y, Ba/Nb, Be/La, Th/La and Rb/Th (e.g., Fig. 4c, 248 d). Plagioclases display highly fractionated rare earth element patterns ((La/Yb)<sub>N</sub> $\sim$ 10<sup>2</sup>) with strong positive Eu anomalies (5.4<Eu/Eu\*<16.5). The four orthopyroxenes from PICH158 249 250 display slightly depleted to slightly enriched patterns with Eu negative anomalies 251 (0.45<Eu/Eu\*<0.69).

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## 4.2 Pb isotope composition of minerals

254 Lead isotopic compositions of minerals are reported in Table 1. One amphibole appears as an outlier (A27 Pich158, cf. Table 1) and will be discussed separately. The <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb 255 256 (18.816-19.022) and <sup>208</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb (38.611-38.822) ratios of individual minerals display large and 257 correlated variations, similar to those of lavas erupted during the 1 Ma Pichincha lifetime (Fig. 5a, b). The <sup>207</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb ratios display smaller variations (15.576-15.608) that do not correlate 258 259 with <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb or <sup>208</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb (Fig. 5c, d). Amphibole compositions are the most variable, with 10,411 ppm variation in <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb, compared to orthopyroxene (1,870 ppm) and plagioclase 260 261 phenocrysts (1,063 ppm). Plagioclases generally define the radiogenic end-member composition, 262 being more radiogenic that orthopyroxenes in PICH158 and more radiogenic than amphiboles in 263 PICH66D. Conversely the high-Al amphiboles define the unradiogenic end-member. The least radiogenic amphiboles and one orthopyroxene with  $^{206}Pb/^{204}Pb < 18.95$  are less radiogenic than 264 the Guagua Pichincha whole-rocks and do also plot above (higher <sup>208</sup>Pb/<sup>206</sup>Pb) the Rucu 265 266 Pichincha whole-rock field (Fig. 5a, b). The Pb isotopic composition of minerals separated from 267 PICH158 plot on both sides of the whole-rock composition, whereas all minerals separated from PICH66D are less radiogenic than whole rock. The <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb ratios of amphiboles are between 268 8,336 ppm lower and 2,071 ppm higher than host rock for PICH158, and range between 1,981 269 270 and 8,601 ppm lower than host rock in PICH66D. Plagioclases are more radiogenic than host 271 rock in PICH158 (up to 2,552 ppm higher <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb) but less radiogenic in PICH66D (up to 1,913 ppm lower <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb). Orthopyroxenes of PICH158 are less radiogenic than host rock, 272 with 1,177 ppm lower <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb on average. As shown on Figure 6, <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb ratios of 273 minerals show an overall increase during the crystallization sequence inferred from the extent of 274 plagioclase fractionation (Eu/Eu\*). This trend is accompanied by a marked decrease of 275 276 <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb variability, from ca. 6300 ppm in high-Al amphiboles to less than 1000 ppm in 277 plagioclases.

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## **5.** Discussion

### 280 **5.1.** Minerals as records of a complex magmatic system

Most minerals analysed are in isotopic disequilibrium amongst themselves. It is clear from the scattering of Pb isotope data that minerals hosted within a hand-size rock sample are not genetically related through a closed system evolution of a single batch of parental melt. Instead, minerals are snapshots of magma evolution in the crust, recording silicate-melt isotope compositions at different times and places in the magmatic system of the Guagua Pichincha 286 volcano. Indeed, isotopic disequilibrium amongst minerals shows that most crystals present in a 287 magmatic rock are antecrysts that could be rimmed by equilibrium "phenocrystic" material 288 (Davidson et al., 2007). These observations agree with the concept of a transcrustal magmatic 289 system formed by a continuous crystal mush where eruptible melts gather crystals with distinct 290 pre-eruptive histories from different regions of the sub-volcanic system shortly before eruption 291 (Cashman et al., 2017). The time lapse between the two studied eruptions (<10 ka) is similar to or shorter than the estimated differentiation time in crust  $(10^3-10^5 \text{ years}; \text{ Annen et al. } 2006)$ , 292 293 explaining why no significant difference is seen between the magmatic evolution of the two 294 samples. Concerning the amphibole A27-Pich158 (1 analysis over 55) that does not follow the 295 magmatic differentiation scheme proposed here (Figure 6), we propose that this crystal record a 296 different, albeit minor, differentiation process that do not involve an increase in Pb isotope ratio 297 while fractionating plagioclase. In other words, this amphibole registered a differentiation 298 scheme where fractionation is associated with very minor crustal assimilation.

299 This diversity of signatures recorded in amphiboles, plagioclases and pyroxenes is very 300 likely to be registered as zonation in the single minerals. Indeed, in-situ Sr isotope studies 301 (Tepley et al., 1999; Davidson et al., 2001) showed that mineral zoning could involve 302 significantly diverse isotope signatures between overgrowths. For instance, we analysed two 303 splits of an amphibole (A12 Pich66D) that broke during handling. The two dissolutions named 304 A12-1 and A12-2 gave significantly different results for MgO (14.8 vs. 13.3 wt.%), some trace 305 elements (more than 10% variations for Li, Sc, Cr, Ni, Cu, Rb, Sr, La, Ce, Pb, Th, U) and Pb isotopes ( $^{206}Pb/^{204}Pb=19.001 vs. 18.914$ ;  $^{20}Pb/^{204}Pb=15.606 vs. 15.620$ ;  $^{208}Pb/^{204}Pb=38.806 vs.$ 306 307 38.736), showing the diversity of what appeared to be a single mineral at the binocular 308 microscope. Hence, dissolution averages mineral heterogeneities and consequently the magmatic 309 history of each mineral, but allows to span a largest range of phases, from primitive to late-310 forming ones. In-situ analyses wouldn't be possible on those minerals due to low Pb 311 concentrations.

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### 313 **5.2. Pb budget of whole rocks**

314 The Pb budget of rocks has been estimated by combining the modal compositions 315 reported in section 3.1 and the Pb concentrations of minerals and whole-rocks. It was assumed 316 that the compositional variations of the studied minerals represent those occurring within whole-317 rocks. In PICH158, 90 wt.% of Pb is in the groundmass, 8.3 wt.% in plagioclases, 1.4 wt.% in 318 amphiboles and 0.4 wt.% in orthopyroxenes. In PICH66D, 96 wt.% of Pb is in the groundmass, 319 3.6 wt.% in plagioclases and 0.4 wt.% in amphiboles. In both samples, high-Al amphiboles account for less than 0.2 % of the Pb budget, which explains why their unradiogenic Pb 320 321 compositions have a little influence on whole-rock compositions (Fig. 5). The Pb composition of 322 the groundmass, inferred by mass balance (Table 1), is slightly less radiogenic than whole-rock 323 for PICH158 (189 ppm lower <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb and 128 ppm lower <sup>208</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb) and barely more radiogenic than whole-rock for PICH66D (72 ppm higher <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb and 57 ppm higher 324 325 <sup>208</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb). This difference reflects the fact that plagioclases are more radiogenic than whole-326 rock in PICH158 but less radiogenic that whole-rock in PICH66D where the groundmass should 327 represent the missing radiogenic end-member (Fig. 5b, c). A major outcome of the Pb mass 328 balance is that late equilibrated melts and late forming minerals carry >99 wt.% of the Pb budget 329 of rocks, whereas Pb-poor high-Al amphiboles contribute insignificantly (<1 wt.%). An unsolved 330 issue concerns the isotopic homogeneity of plagioclases and, in particular the absence of 331 plagioclases with unradiogenic Pb signatures, which must have formed to produce the Eu

anomalies of most amphiboles (Fig. 6). These early-formed plagioclases could represent the core of the large plagioclase phenocrysts, whose Pb budget and isotopic compositions are probably dominated by the late stage of growth. If this hypothesis is correct, which is supported by the petrology of Guagua Pichincha dacites that shows that Ca-rich compositions are rare and restricted to some plagioclase cores, then the rims of plagioclases must have even higher <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb than the bulk plagioclases.

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## 339 **5.3.** Crustal assimilation within the stability field of plagioclase

340 Most magmas ascending through the thick crust of the Ecuador arc assimilate crustal 341 materials. The resulting compositional modifications of mantle melts depend on the nature and 342 the amount of assimilated crust, which varies geographically (cf. Bryant et al., 2006; Hidalgo et al., 2012; Ancellin et al., 2017). For instance, the <sup>143</sup>Nd/<sup>144</sup>Nd and <sup>207</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb signature of lavas 343 344 indicates that assimilation of old continental crust increases eastwards at the country scale, and 345 southward along the frontal arc (Ancellin et al., 2017). Pichincha is in the northwest region where the basement is made of accreted fragments of oceanic plateaus and island arcs (Fig. 1). 346 Consistently, the lack of systematic <sup>207</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb variations during the crystallisation sequence 347 348 (Fig. 5c, d), and generally in Pichincha whole-rocks (Bourdon et al. 2003; Chiaradia et al., 2009), 349 indicates that Pichincha magmas do not assimilate old continental rocks. Hidalgo et al. (2012) 350 pointed out that the basement rocks have similar Sr-Nd isotopic signatures as mantle-derived 351 magmas, which limits the visible imprint of crustal assimilation on Sr and Nd isotopes. 352 Conversely, the Pb isotope evolution during crystallisation implies that Pichincha magmas assimilate oceanic rocks with more radiogenic <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb and <sup>208</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb than the mantle-353 derived melts. Figure 6 shows that the <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb ratios increase abruptly within the stability 354

field of high-Al amphibole, where plagioclase starts to crystallise (onset of Eu anomaly), and more gently subsequently. Such an evolution is consistent with the Pb-depleted primitive melts being more prone to contamination than differentiated melts. It also shows that the trend of increasing <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb with differentiation indices that Chiaradia et al. (2009) identified in wholerocks results from contamination within the upper, and not lower crust.

In the <sup>208</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb vs. <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb isotopic space (Fig. 5, 7), high-Al amphiboles with 360 361 Eu/Eu\*>0.8 plot on a well-defined array ( $r^2=0.93$ ) with a gentle slope of 0.82(±0.11), whereas 362 other amphiboles, orthopyroxenes and plagioclases define an array  $(r^2=0.78)$  with a steeper slope 363 of 1.11 (±0.09). This indicates that the most primitive high-Al amphiboles and later formed minerals do not share the same source of Pb. In the <sup>207</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb vs. <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb space, the 364 365 regression lines through high-Al amphiboles with Eu/Eu\*>0.8 and later formed minerals have 366 similar, close to zero slopes (-0.019±0.086 and 0.001±0.036, respectively). Although the 367 regression lines are poorly defined ( $r^2 < 0.2$ ), the slopes are between -0.26 and 0.22 (high-Al 368 amphiboles, Eu/Eu\*>0.8) and -0.07 and 0.07 (late forming minerals and other high-Al 369 amphiboles) at a 95% confidence level. This indicates that the crustal contaminant must have more radiogenic <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb and <sup>208</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb than high-Al amphiboles but nearly identical 370 <sup>207</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb. Such composition is quite rare in Ecuador where basement rocks with 371 372 <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb>19.1 and <sup>208</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb>38.83 generally have <sup>207</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb>15.65 (Fig. 7). The most likely contaminant is the 90 Ma old oceanic plateau accreted 65-68 Ma ago and known as the 373 Guaranda terrain. This geological unit shows a wide range of <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb and <sup>207</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb 374 variations (e.g., 18.29<<sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb<19.71), and a radiogenic end-member with moderate 375 376 <sup>207</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb (≤15.61) that resembles the HIMU component of the Galapagos Islands (Mamberti et 377 al., 2003) (Fig. 7). This radiogenic end-member component is a suitable contaminant for Pichincha primitive magma (represented by the high-Al amphiboles), but small addition of
material with higher <sup>208</sup>Pb/<sup>206</sup>Pb, probably of continental origin, must occur at shallower depth to
explain the slightly steeper slope of other minerals (amphiboles with Eu/Eu\*<0.8,</li>
orthopyroxenes and plagioclases) in <sup>208</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb vs. <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb space.

382 This scenario requires that Pichincha magmas preferentially assimilate the radiogenic 383 end-member of the Guaranda unit. Mamberti et al. (2003) noted that the radiogenic end-member 384 of the Guaranda unit consists essentially of ankaramites with 19.59<<sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb<19.71, whereas 385 the unradiogenic end-member includes mostly picrites with 18.29<<sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb<18.40. It is 386 suggested that the most fusible clinopyroxene-rich lithology might preferentially melt when 387 Pichincha magmas interact with the rocks of the Guaranda unit. Mafic granulite xenoliths 388 frequently occur in Pichincha volcanic rocks (Chiaradia et al., 2009) raising the possibility that 389 magma contamination arises while xenoliths are superheated above the liquidus during ascent. 390 Brearley and Scarfe (1986) who determined experimentally the dissolution rate of mantle 391 minerals between 5 and 30 kbar, found that clinopyroxene dissolves faster than olivine at low 392 pressure (5 kbar), where olivine is the liquidus phase, whereas olivine dissolves faster than 393 clinopyroxene at higher pressure where clinopyroxene is the liquidus phase. They modelled the 394 dissolution of ultramafic xenoliths in ascending alkali magmas, and estimated that, for an ascent 395 time of 100 h, 25°C superheating, and grain size of 2 cm, 90% of the pyroxenite, against *ca*. 1% 396 of the peridotite, is dissolved. Thus, if the Pichincha magmas disrupt and entrain rocks from the 397 Guaranda unit, they will preferentially melt the more fusible ankaramitic lithology carrying 398 radiogenic Pb, leaving behind a picritic residue with unradiogenic Pb. The restitic xenolith 399 E05130a carrying unradiogenic Pb (<sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb=18.861;  $^{207}$ Pb/ $^{204}$ Pb= 15.588; 400 <sup>208</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb=38.587; Chiaradia et al., 2009) could be a remnant of such process. Assuming that

mantle-derived melts with 206Pb/204Pb between 18.816 and 18.879 (range of the two most 401 primitive amphiboles with Eu/Eu\* ≥0.94) assimilate crustal rocks with <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb of 19.655 402 403 (average of the four radiogenic ankaramites) and identical Pb content, then between 18 and 24% crustal assimilation is needed to explain the <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb of 19.015 of late stage melts (average of 404 405 plagioclases). Taking samples separately, the extent of crustal assimilation needed to explain 406 PICH158 and PICH66D Pb whole-rock compositions from their respective parental melts 407 recorded in A12-Pich-158 and A7-Pich-66D amphiboles are 19 and 21%, respectively. These 408 values are higher that the estimate of 7–14% inferred from modelling whole-rock  $\delta^{18}$ O (Hidalgo et al., 2012) but similar to those inferred for Central Andean mafic lavas (Kay et al., 1994; 409 410 Aitcheson and Forrest, 1994)

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## 412 **5.4.** Composition of melts before plagioclase fractionation

413 The two most primitive amphiboles with no significant Eu anomaly provide an insight 414 into the composition of Guagua Pichincha melts before plagioclase fractionation. In Pb-Pb 415 isotope space, their isotopic Pb signatures plot in the region near the convergence point of the three main arrays defined by Ecuadorian volcanoes (Ancellin et al., 2017), i.e. at  ${}^{206}Pb/{}^{204}Pb =$ 416 18.85-18.97;  ${}^{207}Pb/{}^{204}Pb = 15.585-15.625$ ;  ${}^{208}Pb/{}^{204}Pb = 38.60-38.75$ . This composition could 417 418 reflect a mantle component common to Ecuadorian volcanoes, from which three main 419 contamination trends radiate (Chiaradia et al., 2009). However, the situation is probably not as 420 simple. For instance, the Pilavo volcano, located 100km north of Pichincha in the Western 421 Cordillera (cf. Fig. 1), defines the radiogenic end-member of the Pichincha array (with <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb up to 19.15), suggesting that its magmas are more contaminated than those of 422 Pichincha. Yet, Pilavo volcano produces less differentiated basaltic andesites with mantle-like Sr 423

and Nd isotopic ratios (Chiaradia et al., 2011). This suggests that different types of primitive
melts feed the Pichincha and the Pilavo volcanoes, which probably also applies to other
Ecuadorian volcanoes.

427 The two most primitive amphiboles also provide an insight into the heterogeneity of 428 melts before plagioclase fractionation. These two minerals indeed have contrasted isotopic composition: the amphibole A12-Pich-158 has lower <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb (18.816 vs. 18.879), and 429 slightly lower <sup>208</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb (38.611 vs. 38.648) than A7-Pich-66D. It plots away from Pichincha 430 431 whole rock field, whereas A7-Pich-66D plots very close (Fig. 5a). Although these two 432 amphiboles have similar compositions for many elements (LREE, HREE, Ba, Zr, Nb, Zn, Cr, 433 Co), some differences exist. For instance, A12-Pich158 is enriched in Cu, Li, Rb and Pb 434 compared to A7-Pich66D (by factors of 23.3, 1.6, 1.8, 2.2 respectively) while being depleted in 435 Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (9.76 vs. 12.4 wt.%) and Ti (0.42 vs. 1.23 wt.%).

436 Large variations of Li and Cu concentration have been reported in amphiboles from the 2004-2005 Mount St. Helens dacite (Rowe et al., 2008). These were ascribed to the partitioning 437 438 of Li and Cu into a fluid phase that exsolves during magma ascent, so that the Li and Cu content 439 of amphibole, as Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, would record the depth of amphibole crystallization (Rowe et al., 2008). 440 This explanation does not hold here because A12-Pich-158 has lower Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> than A7-Pich-66D 441 (Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>= 9.76 vs. 12.4 wt.% respectively) (Fig. 4a). Instead, the different chemical and isotopic 442 compositions of the two primitive amphiboles of the Guagua Pichincha are better explained if 443 A12-Pich-158 crystal grew in a melt enriched in fluid mobile elements (Li, Cu, Rb, Pb) that does 444 not share the same source as the parental melt of A7-Pich-66D. These two types of melt unlikely 445 result from assimilation or melting of lower crust but could correspond to stronger or lesser 446 metasomatism of the mantle wedge by slab melts and/or slab dehydration fluids, as previously
447 proposed by Samaniego et al., (2010).

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## 5.5. Long-term geochemical evolution of the Pichincha volcanic complex

450 As many volcanoes in northern Ecuador, Pichincha volcanic complex experienced an early calc-alkaline stage (Rucu volcano) before producing lavas with "adakitic" affinity (Guagua 451 452 volcano) (Samaniego et al., 2010). There is a debate on the origin of this transition, and in 453 particular on whether the so-called "adakitic" signature (high La/Yb and Sr/Y ratios, and low Yb 454 content) reflects the contribution of slab melts, or, alternatively, deep differentiation of melts 455 within the stability field of garnet (Chiaradia et al., 2009). We addressed this issue by comparing 456 the trace element signature of melts in equilibrium with the two most primitive amphiboles of the 457 Guagua Pichincha (A12-Pich-158 and A7-Pich-66D) to that of Rucu Pichincha primitive melts 458 recorded in olivine-hosted melt inclusions (Le Voyer et al., 2008). Even though these samples 459 are of different nature, they are the most primitive objects available of Rucu and Guagua 460 Pichincha. We found that melts in equilibrium with Guagua Pichincha high-Al amphiboles are 461 enriched in La and Y by factors of 2.5 and 1.5 respectively, and have on average 50% higher 462 La/Yb and Sr/Y ratios and 50% lower Ba/Nb ratio compared to the Rucu Pichincha primitive 463 melts (Fig. 8, partition coefficients from Tiepolo et al., 2007). This indicates that, if this 464 comparison stands, the Guagua Pichincha volcano is fed by melts that are enriched in 465 incompatible elements but depleted in fluid-mobile elements compared to the Rucu Pichincha 466 volcano, as suggested by whole-rock compositions (Samaniego et al., 2010). On the other hand, 467 the melts of the two volcanoes have identical Sm/Yb ratios (Fig. 8), indicating that they 468 underwent the same extent of garnet fractionation and evolved at similar depth. Assuming the main source of fluid-mobile elements is the subduction component, we propose that a depletion of these elements in primitive melts through time reflects a change in subduction input into the mantle wedge. If magmas feeding the lower crust are depleted in fluid-mobile elements and enriched in incompatible elements, then, as fractionation goes in the deep crust, this difference in composition would get imprinted in the crust as well, reflecting a deeper change in magmas evolution.

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## 476 **6. Conclusions**

477 The minerals hosted in hand-size dacite samples from the Guagua Pichincha volcano show large <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb variations (>1%) that are comparable to the range of whole-rocks of the 478 479 Pichincha Volcanic Complex. Amphiboles and orthopyroxenes record an increase of <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb during the crystallization of plagioclase, which indicates that Guagua Pichincha magmas are 480 481 contaminated within the upper crust. The most likely contaminant is the radiogenic ankaramites 482 of the Guaranda unit, an accreted ocean plateau making the basement of the western Cordillera. 483 The extent of crustal assimilation needed to explain the increase of <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb from the two most 484 primitive amphiboles to their respective host rocks is ca. 20%. Such a contamination is higher 485 than previous estimates and contributes, together with melt mixing, to erase the heterogeneity of 486 deep melts. The two most primitive amphiboles with no significant Eu anomaly also provide an 487 insight into the heterogeneity of Guagua Pichincha melts before plagioclase crystallization. These melts have different <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb ratios (18.816-18.879) and contents of fluid-mobile 488 489 elements (Li, Cu, Rb, Pb) that are likely inherited from the heterogeneity of the metasomatic 490 agent. Melts in equilibrium with the two most primitive amphiboles of the Guagua Pichincha are 491 enriched in incompatible elements but depleted in fluid-mobile elements compared to the 492 olivine-hosted melt inclusions of the older Rucu Pichincha. This supports previous conclusions 493 based on whole-rock compositions that the mantle source of the Pichincha Volcanic Complex 494 has changed through time (Samaniego et al., 2010). Precise measurements of single grain Pb 495 isotope compositions by wet chemistry proved useful to identify crustal processes and the 496 heterogeneity of mantle-derived melts in a complex volcanic setting.

#### 497 APPENDIX

498 A supplementary table with major and trace element as well as Pb isotope compositions of

499 whole-rock and mineral samples is provided.

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## 513 **Figure captions**

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Figure 1: (a) Geodynamical setting of the Ecuadorian arc. Dashed yellow line highlights Ecuadorian border. Quaternary volcanic edifices are displayed as black-circled white shapes. (b) Simplified geological map of Ecuador showing the main oceanic and continental units, quaternary volcanic edifices and the location of the Pichincha Volcanic Complex. Oceanic units making the basement of the Western Cordillera are drawn after Jaillard et al. (2008), namely Macuchi terrain, Guaranda terrain and San Juan terrain.

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Figure 2: Example of transient signal obtained during "quick mode" acquisition of Pb isotopes on the Neptune Plus MC-ICP-MS. Here is the measurement of sample A4 from PICH 66D that contained 354 pg of Pb dissolved in 300  $\mu$ L of 0.05N HNO3–1ppb NBS997 Tl. The signal plateau includes 15 cycles that were selected to calculate the isotope composition.

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Figure 3: Spider diagram displaying the trace element compositions of dissolved amphibole,
plagioclase and pyroxene crystals of PICH 158 and PICH66D, as well as the two whole-rocks
PICH 158 and PICH 66D. Trace elements are normalized to chondrites (Sun and McDonough,
1989). For sake of clarity, only minerals that stands at the extreme compositions are labelled.

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Figure 4: Amphibole composition versus amphibole Eu anomaly. The Eu anomaly is defined as follows: Eu/Eu\*=Eu<sub>N</sub>/(Sm<sub>N</sub> x Gd<sub>N</sub>)<sup>0.5</sup>, where N refers to concentration normalized to the primitive mantle. (a) Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> content (wt. %). The boundary between low- and high-Al amphiboles is between 9.6 and 10.9 wt.% Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (Garcia-Aristizabal et al., 2007; Samaniego et al. 2010). (b)

La content (ppm). (c) Ba/Nb ratio. (d) Nd/Pb ratio. Amphiboles with Eu/Eu\* >0.7 are red-536 537 rimmed. In the manuscript, Eu anomaly is used as an indicator of plagioclase fractionation and, 538 as a result, of differentiation. This is consistent with the correlation between La content, Ba/Nb, 539 Nd/Pb and Eu/Eu\* of amphiboles. We assume that changing parental magma composition have a 540 stronger effect on amphibole geochemistry than variations in partition coefficients linked to 541 crystallising amphiboles from a more or less evolved magma. We selected elemental pairs 542 (Ba/Nb and Nd/Pb) for which partition coefficients in amphibole would respond similarly to 543 changes in temperature and matrix (Nandedkar et al., 2016). Then, variations of those ratios in 544 amphibole would denote a change in parental magma compositions. Nevertheless, it is possible that secondary effects play a role in changing Eu/Eu\*. Oxygen fugacity influences the Eu<sup>3+</sup>/Eu<sup>2+</sup> 545 546 ratio (Burnham et al., 2015) and thus the size of Eu anomalies in magmas and related 547 plagioclases. However, change in fO<sub>2</sub> should be small in our magmatic column. For instance, 548 Gaillard et al. (2015) showed that between 10kbar and surface, logfO2 increases from 1.3 to 1.6 549 (relative to QFM buffer) in oxidized arc magmas. Within this small range of oxygen fugacity, there is almost no change in  $Eu^{3+}/Eu^{2+}$  with magma composition (Burhnam et al., 2015). 550

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Figure 5:  ${}^{208}$ Pb/ ${}^{204}$ Pb *vs.*  ${}^{206}$ Pb/ ${}^{204}$ Pb plot showing the composition of individual minerals. The composition of PICH158 and PICH66D host-rocks, and the fields of Guagua and Rucu Pichincha whole-rocks are shown for comparison (after Bourdon et al., 2003; Bryant et al., 2006; Chiaradia et al., 2009; Ancellin et al., 2017). Error bars ( $\pm 2\sigma$ ) are displayed when larger than symbol size. High-Al amphiboles after figure 4.

Figure 6: Mineral <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb versus mineral Eu anomaly. Plagioclases with large positive Eu anomalies are shown on a separate scale. Symbols are as in Figure 4. Error bars ( $\pm 2\sigma$ ) are displayed when larger than symbol size. The boundary between high-Al and low-Al amphiboles at Eu/Eu\*=0.7 is inferred from Figure 4. Symbols as figure 5.

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Figure 7: <sup>208</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb vs. <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb (a) and <sup>207</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb vs. <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb (b) diagrams. Regression 563 564 lines through Guagua and Rucu Pichincha whole rocks (plain line), high-Al amphiboles with 565 Eu/Eu\*>0.8 (loose dashed line) and other amphiboles, orthopyroxenes and plagioclases (tight 566 dashed line) are shown. Correlation coefficients and standard errors on slopes and intercepts are 567 indicated. Compositional fields are shown for continental (C) basement rocks (Chaucha - Loja -568 Tahuin - Alao terranes (Chiaradia et al., 2004) and granulites and amphibolites of the Western 569 Cordillera (Amortegui, 2007)), accreted ocean island arc of Macuchi (M) (Chiaradia and 570 Fontbote, 2001), Guaranda (G) and San Juan (SJ) accreted oceanic plateaus (Mamberti et al., 571 2003, 2004). Symbols as figure 5.

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Figure 8: Comparison between Guagua Pichincha and Rucu Pichincha primitive melts signatures. Guagua Pichincha primitive melts are assumed to be in equilibrium with the most primitive amphiboles A12-Pich-158 and A7-Pich-66D. Their compositions are calculated using the amphibole/melt partition coefficients of Tiepolo et al. (2007) ( $D_{La}=0.2$ ,  $D_{Nb}=D_{Ba}=D_{Sr}=0.3$ ;  $D_{Sm}=1$ ,  $D_{Yb}=0.9$ ,  $D_{Y}=1.1$ ). Rucu Pichincha primitive melts are those of olivine-hosted melt inclusions (Le Voyer et al., 2008). All compositions are normalized to the average composition of Rucu Pichincha primitive melts.

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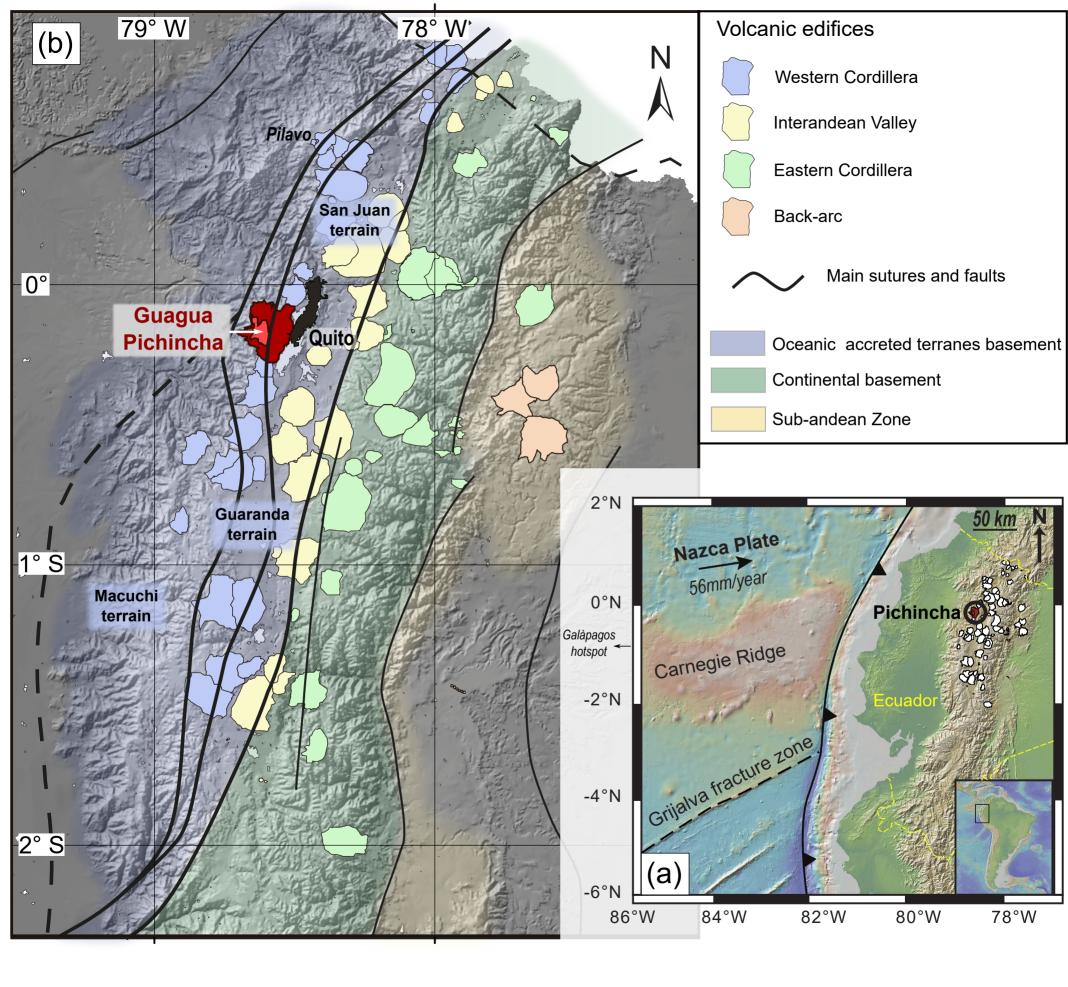
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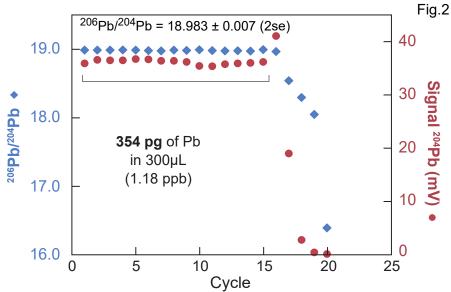
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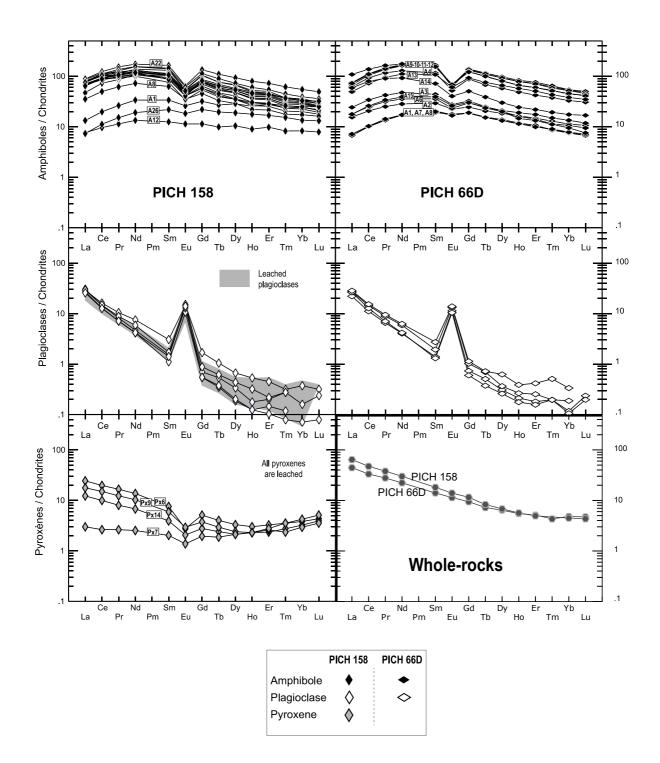
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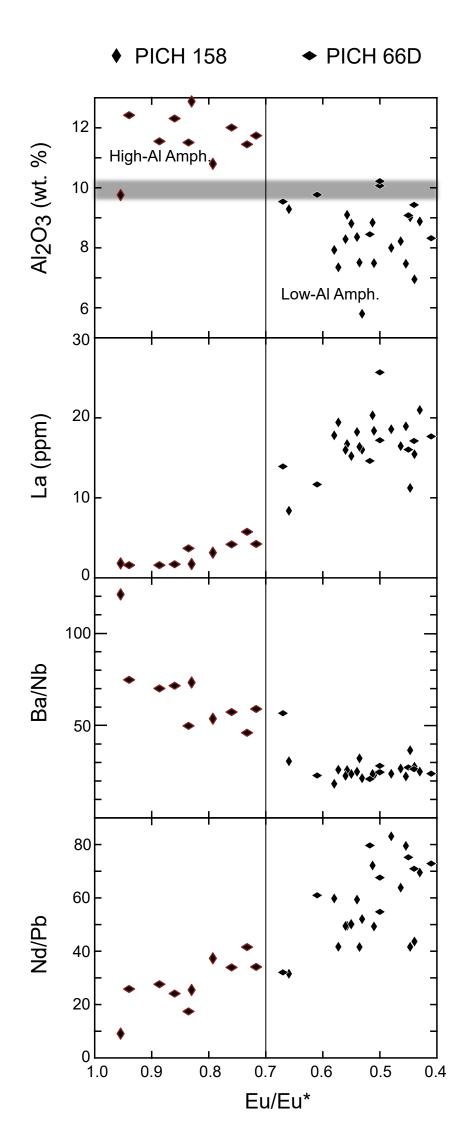
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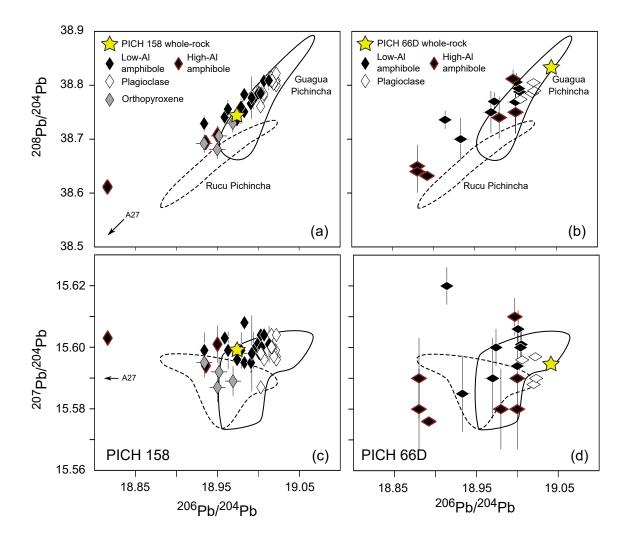
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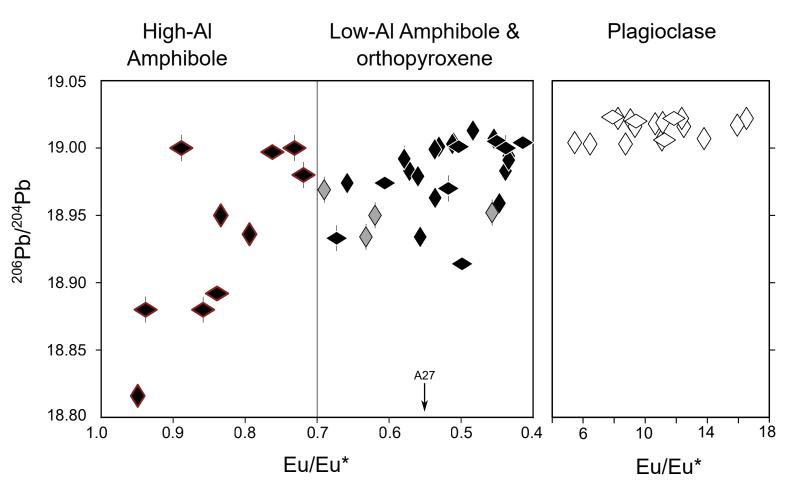








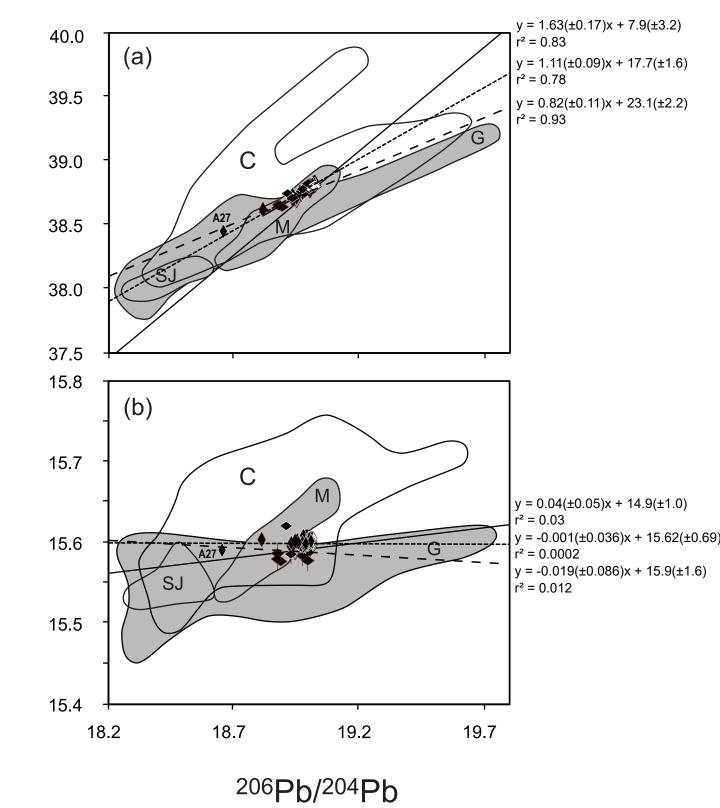




— Whole rock



----- Other amphiboles, pyroxenes & plagioclases



208Pb/204Pb

207Pb/204Pb

A12 Pich 158 | Melt composition in equilibrium with
 A7 Pich 66D | Guagua Pichincha primitive amphiboles

+ Rucu Pichincha olivine-hosted melt inclusions

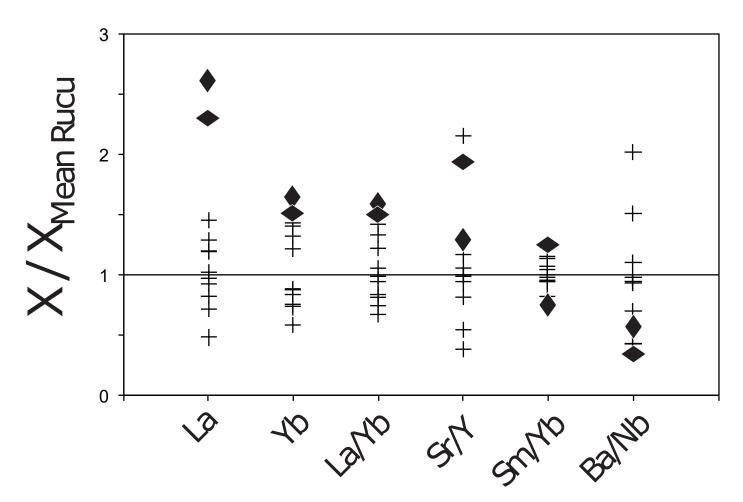


Fig.7

Table 1: Pb isoto	pe compositions	of whole rocks and	separate minerals

Sample/phase		Lead extracted (ng)	Blank content (pg)	<sup>206</sup> Pb/ <sup>204</sup> Pb	2SE	2SD	<sup>207</sup> Pb/ <sup>204</sup> Pb	2SE	2SD	<sup>208</sup> Pb/ <sup>204</sup> Pb	2SE	2SD	Eu/Eu*	Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>
PICH 158														
Whole rock Groundmass**				18,9740 18,9704			15,5990 15,5990			38,7450 38,7401			0,99	
Amphibole	A1 Pich 158	1,83	21,4	18,936	0,0012	0,0018	15,594	0,0011	0,0018	38,694	0,0028	0,0049	0,79	10,8
	A2 Pich 158	7,18	21,4	18,959	0,0012 0,0010	0,0018	15,603	0,0011	0,0018 0,0018	38,741	0,0030 0,0022	0,0049 0,0049	0,45 /	9,02
	A2 Pich 158 R A3 Pich 158	/ 4,3	/ 21,4	18,958 18,983	0,0010	0,0018 0,0018	15,602 15,595	0,0009 0,0010	0,0018	38,739 38,751	0,0022	0,0049	0,57	/ 7,35
	A4 Pich 158	5,94	21,4	19,001	0,0010	0,0018	15,598	0,0010	0,0018	38,787	0,0023	0,0049	0,53	5,80
	A4 Pich 158 R	/	/	19,002	0,0012	0,0018	15,599	0,0010	0,0018	38,788	0,0026	0,0049	/	/
	A5 Pich 158	4,59	21,4	18,999	0,0012	0,0018	15,601	0,0010	0,0018	38,783	0,0025	0,0049	0,54	7,51
	A6 Pich 158 A7 Pich 158	5,88 3,35	21,4 21,4	19,004 19,003	0,0011 0,0011	0,0018 0,0018	15,600 15,604	0,0010 0,0010	0,0018 0,0018	38,786 38,785	0,0025 0,0025	0,0049 0,0049	0,51 0,51	7,49 8,84
	A8 Pich 158	2,71	21,4	18,974	0,0011	0,0018	15,596	0,0010	0,0018	38,736	0,0024	0,0049	0,66	9,29
	A10 Pich 158	7,66	8,4	18,983	0,0020	0,0018	15,608	0,0017	0,0023	38,783	0,0042	0,0067	0,44	6,95
	A12 Pich 158	3,94	8,4	18,816	0,0028	0,0018	15,603	0,0024	0,0023	38,611	0,0062	0,0067	0,95	9,76
	A19 Pich 158 A20 Pich 158	0,93 0,92	8,4 8,4	18,934 18,979	0,0050 0,0022	0,0056 0,0056	15,599 15,599	0,0042 0,0019	0,0058 0,0058	38,729 38,760	0,0110 0,0048	0,0148 0,0148	0,56 0,56	9,10 8,29
	A20 Pich 158	2,44	8,4 8,4	19,007	0,0022	0,0050	15,604	0,0019	0,0038	38,808	0,0048	0,0148	0,30	8,29 7,47
	A22 Pich158*	2,64	19,5	18,994	0,0014	0,0056	15,599	0,0010	0,0059	38,773	0,0026	0,0168	0,43	8,88
	A22 Pich158 R*	/	/	18,991	0,0012	0,0033	15,595	0,0011	0,0033	38,766	0,0024	0,0076	/	/
	A23 Pich158*	1,41 0,42	19,5 19,5	19,013 18,963	0,0012 0,0025	0,0056 0,0049	15,601 15,599	0,0011 0,0021	0,0059 0,0060	38,809 38,756	0,0026 0,0050	0,0168 0,0163	0,48 0,54	8,00 8,36
	A24 Pich 158* A25 Pich158*	0,42	19,5 19,5	18,903	0,0023	0,0049	15,599	0,0021	0,0000	38,730	0,0030	0,0103	0,54 0,58	8,50 7,93
	A26 Pich158*	0,25	19,5	18,950	0,0043	0,0049	15,601	0,0038	0,0060	38,708	0,0089	0,0163	0,83	12,88
	A27 Pich158*	0,41	19,5	18,658	0,0025	0,0049	15,590	0,0020	0,0060	38,441	0,0050	0,0163	0,55	8,81
Orthopyroxene	Px 6 Pich 158 Px 7 Pich 158	0,45 0,15	4,5 4,5	18,952 18,970	0,0062 0,0076	0,0096 0,0096	15,592 15,589	0,0051 0,0065	0,0048 0,0048	38,706 38,730	0,0123 0,0164	0,017 0,017	0,46 0,69	
	Px 9 Pich 158	0,15	4,5	18,935	0,0070	0,0096	15,595	0,0005	0,0048	38,693	0,0104	0,017	0,63	
	Px 14 Pich 158	0,29	4,5	18,950	0,0086	0,0096	15,587	0,0070	0,0048	38,682	0,0182	0,017	0,62	
Plagioclase	Pl 1 Pich 158	15,01	9,8	19,022	0,0010	0,0011	15,597	0,0008	0,0013	38,809	0,0020	0,0038	8,24	
	Pl 1 Pich 158 R Pl 3 Pich 158	/ 10,61	/ 9,8	19,027 19,003	0,0056 0,0011	0,0011 0,0011	15,601 15,598	0,0047 0,0009	0,0013 0,0013	38,821 38,795	0,0118 0,0024	0,0038 0,0038	/ 8,73	
	Pl 4 Pich 158	17,91	9,8	19,003	0,0009	0,0011	15,596	0,0007	0,0013	38,800	0,0024	0,0038	16,52	
	Pl 5 Pich 158	11,38	9,8	19,004	0,0009	0,0011	15,598	0,0008	0,0013	38,782	0,0020	0,0038	5,44	
	Pl 6 Pich 158	15,3	9,8	19,021	0,0008	0,0011	15,599	0,0007	0,0013	38,807	0,0017	0,0038	9,05	
	Pl 7 Pich 158 Pl 8 Pich 158	8,6 21,88	9,8 9,8	19,018 19,006	0,0009 0,0010	0,0011 0,0011	15,599 15,597	$0,0008 \\ 0,0008$	0,0013 0,0013	38,805 38,779	0,0022 0,0022	0,0038 0,0038	10,64 11,07	
	Pl 9 Pich 158	11,42	9,8	19,000	0,0010	0,0011	15,604	0,0008	0,0013	38,814	0,0022	0,0038	9,33	
	Pl 10 Pich 158	12,54	9,8	19,019	0,0011	0,0011	15,597	0,0009	0,0013	38,803	0,0025	0,0038	11,11	
	Pl 10 Pich 158 R	/	/	19,019	0,0010	0,0011	15,597	0,0008	0,0012	38,803	0,0022	0,0031	1	
	Pl 11 Pich 158 Pl 12 Pich 158	4,37	4,7	19,003 19,007	0,0009 0,0008	0,0013 0,0013	15,587 15,596	0,0008 0,0007	0,0013 0,0013	38,761 38,784	0,0021 0,0019	0,0038 0,0033	6,44	25,2
	Pl 12 Pich 158 Pl 14 Pich 158	4,69 2,63	4,7 4,7	19,007	0,0008	0,0013	15,600	0,0007	0,0013	38,808	0,0019	0,0033	13,81 12,47	25,6 24,1
	Pl 15 Pich 158	2,12	4,7	19,022	0,0022	0,0013	15,604	0,0018	0,0013	38,822	0,0047	0,0033	12,37	25,8
	Pl 16 Pich 158	6,49	4,7	19,017	0,0017	0,0013	15,600	0,0015	0,0013	38,809	0,0037	0,0033	15,90	25,1
PICH 66D Whole rock Groundmass**				19,0426 19,0440			15,5945 15,5946			38,8326 38,8348			0,96	
Amphibole	A1 Pich 66D	0,73	10,8	18,999	0,0067	0,0096	15,587	0,0058	0,013	38,754	0,0145	0,039	0,89	11,5
	A2 Pich 66D	1,13	10,8	18,892	0,0018	0,0010	15,576	0,0016	0,0012	38,632	0,0022	0,0035	0,84	11,5
	A3 Pich 66D A4 Pich 66D	0,7 0,35	10,8 10,8	18,999 18,971	0,0034 0,0067	0,0096 0,0096	15,577 15,594	0,0030 0,0057	0,013 0,013	38,755 38,753	0,0080 0,0148	0,039 0,039	0,73 0,52	11,5 8,45
	A6 Pich 66D	0,33	10,8	18,971	0,0007	0,0090	15,594	0,0057	0,013	38,735	0,0148	0,039	0,32	8,45 11,7
	A7 Pich 66D	0,18	10,8	18,879	0,0092	0,0096	15,586	0,0074	0,013	38,648	0,0194	0,039	0,94	12,4
	A8 Pich 66D	0,18	10,8	18,880	0,0117	0,0096	15,579	0,0083	0,013	38,639	0,0218	0,039	0,86	12,3
	A9 Pich66D* A10 Pich66D*	1,21 0,77	19,5 19,5	19,005 19,000	0,0014 0,0017	0,0056 0,0094	15,601 15,594	0,0012 0,0015	0,0059 0,0123	38,788 38,769	0,0029 0,0038	0,0168 0,0392	0,45 0,44	9,1 9,4
	A10 Pich 66D*	1,05	19,5 19,5	19,000	0,0017	0,0094	15,600	0,0013	0,0125	38,709	0,0038	0,0392	0,44 0,41	9,4 8,3
	A12-1 Pich66D*	0,27	19,5	19,001	0,0031	0,0049	15,606	0,0025	0,0060	38,806	0,0065	0,0163	0,50	10,1
	A12-2 Pich66D*	0,28	19,5	18,914	0,0031	0,0049	15,620	0,0025	0,0060	38,736	0,0064	0,0163	0,50	10,2
	A13 Pich66D*	0,26	19,5	18,974	0,0040	0,0049	15,600	0,0032	0,0060	38,770	0,0083	0,0163	0,61	9,8 0.5
	A14 Pich66D* A15 Pich66D*	0,72 0,25	19,5 19,5	18,933 18,997	0,0023 0,0037	0,0094 0,0049	15,585 15,610	0,0020 0,0029	0,0123 0,0060	38,700 38,812	0,0048 0,0079	0,0392 0,0163	0,67 0,76	9,5 12,0
Plagioclase	Pl 1 Pich 66D	8,92	10,8	19,006	0,0009	0,0010	15,596	0,0009	0,0012	38,774	0,0022	0,0035	11,25	22,9
	Pl 2 Pich 66D	6,73	10,8	19,020	0,0012	0,0010	15,588	0,0010	0,0012	38,785	0,0026	0,0035	9,42	24,6
	Pl 3 Pich 66D	12,15	10,8	19,022	0,0010	0,0010	15,597	0,0008	0,0012	38,805	0,0020	0,0035	11,81	21,7
	Pl 4 Pich 66D	3,68	10,8	19,023	0,0014	0,0010	15,590	0,0012	0,0012	38,790	0,0023	0,0035	7,89	24,6

2SE = in-run 2 standard error

2SD = 2 standard deviation of the analysis session, calculated through NBS 981 standards repeatibility

\* set of sample for which the Tl could not be used for mass fractionation correction, the mass fractionation was corrected externally by standard bracketing \*\* Groundmass composition is calculated by mass balance (see text)

Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> contents are not displayed for leached samples

Sample named R are replicates

Pb isotopic compositions are normalized to the NBS981 values of Todt et al. (1996)