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# Magma storage and degassing beneath the youngest volcanoes of the Massif Central (France): lessons for the monitoring of a dormant volcanic province

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#### 17 Abstract

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18 Developing appropriate monitoring strategies in long-quiescent volcanic provinces is challenging 19 due to the rarity of recordable geochemical and geophysical signals and the lack of experienced 20 eruptive phenomenology in living memory. This is the case in the Massif Central (France) where 21 the last eruptive sequence formed the Pavin's Group of Volcanoes, about 7 ka ago. There, current 22 evidence of a mantle activity reminiscence is suggested by the presence of mineral springwaters, 23 mofettes, and soil degassing. It appears fundamental as a prerequisite to decipher the evolution of 24 the gas phase in the magmatic system at the time of the eruptive activity to understand the meaning 25 of current local gas emissions. In this study, we develop an innovative approach coupling CO<sub>2</sub> densimetry and geochemistry of fluid inclusions from products erupted by the Pavin's Group of 26 27 Volcanoes. 3D imagery by Raman spectroscopy revealed that carbonate forming in fluid inclusions 28 may lead to underestimation of CO<sub>2</sub> density in fluid inclusions by up to 50 % and thus to unreliable 29 barometric estimates. Fortunately, we found that this effect may be limited by focusing on fluid inclusions with a small diameter ( $<4 \mu m$ ) and where no solid phase is detected on Raman spectra. 30 31 The time evolution of the eruptions of the Pavin's Group of Volcanoes shows a progressive 32 decrease of the pressure of magma storage (from more than 9 kbar down to 1.5-2 kbar) in parallel to 33 magma differentiation (from basanites at Montcineyre to benmoreites at Pavin). The analysis of the noble gases entrapped in fluid inclusions yielded two main conclusions: (1) the helium isotope 34 35 signature (Rc/Ra = 6.5-6.8) is in the range of values obtained in fluid inclusions from mantle 36 xenoliths in the Massif Central ( $Rc/Ra = 5.6 \pm 1.1$ , on average) suggesting partial melting of the subcontinental lithospheric mantle, and (2) magma degassing ( ${}^{4}\text{He}/{}^{40}\text{Ar}^{*}$  from 4.0 to 16.2) mirrors 37 magma differentiation and the progressive rise of the magma ponding zones of the Pavin's Group of 38 39 Volcanoes. According to our modelling, about 80 % of the initial gas phase would be already 40 exsolved from these magmas, even if stored at mantle depth. Based on the results obtained from fluid inclusions, we propose a model of the evolution of the signature of noble gases and carbon 41 isotopes from mantle depth to crustal levels. In this frame, gas emissions currently emitted in the 42 area (Rc/Ra = 6.1-6.7 and  ${}^{4}\text{He}/{}^{40}\text{Ar}^{*}$  = 1.7) point to an origin in the lithospheric mantle. This study 43 strongly encourages the establishment of a regular sampling of local gas emissions to detect 44 45 potential geochemical variations that may reflect a change from current steady-state conditions.

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#### 47 Keywords

48 Fluid inclusions, Barometry, Noble gases, Magma degassing, Monitoring

#### 50 **1. Introduction**

51 The global population growth raises severe issues about our way to live in a sustainable world and

52 to face natural disasters. With almost one in eight people living within 100 kilometres of an active

53 volcano (Brown et al., 2015), volcanic eruptions constitute one of the main natural hazards for 54 humanity (Oppenheimer, 2015). In this regard, long-quiescent volcanic provinces play a peculiar role. On the one hand, the general lack of eruptive activity in the collective memory tends to favour 55 the settling of local populations and socio-economic development on lands covered by fertile 56 57 volcanic soils (Shoji and Takahashi, 2002). This is even truer in Southern countries where agriculture represents often one of the main economic sources and is fundamental for the survival of 58 local populations. On the other hand, long periods of quiescence may strongly favour the energy 59 60 accumulation at depth and drive magmas near a critical pressure point leading to violent eruptions (Chiodini et al., 2016). This parallel evolution significantly increases the probability of fatal 61 eruptions, even more considering the lack of preparedness of local population in face of a natural 62 hazard with a low occurrence frequency. The development of appropriate monitoring strategies in 63 64 long-quiescent volcanic provinces is also challenged by (1) the rarity of signals that may indicate residual magmatic activity, and (2) the difficulty of convincing decision-makers of the necessity to 65 66 implement a policy of prevention (rather than reaction) in face of an a priori non-imminent risk. 67 This situation applies to the French Massif Central (France), where the last known eruption is dated at 6,730±170 a BP (Juvigné and Miallier, 2016). The presence of surface manifestations of a 68 69 potential 'residual' magmatic activity is testified by the numerous mineral springs spread over the 70 territory with clear magmatic origin (Matthews et al., 1987; Bräuer et al., 2017; Moreira et al., 2018), together with areas of intense soil (CO<sub>2</sub>-Rn) degassing (Battani et al., 2010; Gal and Gadalia, 71 72 2011; Gal et al., 2018). However, both types of occurrences remain poorly documented to date. 73 Although fundamental to the development of regional monitoring strategies, there is no consensus 74 on the origin of the degassing. Some studies suggest the presence of still partially molten mid-75 crustal reservoirs beneath the area (Martel et al., 2013; France et al., 2016), while others refer to fluid transport in deep reaching faults from magmatic reservoirs within the subcontinental 76 77 lithospheric mantle (SCLM; Bräuer et al., 2017).

78 Previous studies about noble gases from the European Cenozoic Rift System are based on 79 either natural gas emissions (Bräuer et al., 2013, 2017; Moreira et al., 2018) or fluid inclusions in 80 crystals from mantle xenoliths (Buikin et al., 2005; Gautheron et al., 2005; Rizzo et al., 2018, 81 2021). Natural gas emissions may be affected by atmospheric-crustal contamination during the 82 ascent of magmatic fluids (Barry et al., 2013) that may hide the primitive signature of the gaseous 83 component. For its part, the gas entrapped in fluid inclusions in crystals from mantle xenoliths 84 could have a different isotopic signature than the one linked to magma ascent. To overcome these 85 limitations, we aim at studying the geochemical variability (noble gases, carbon isotopes) of the gas entrapped in fluid inclusions from crystals hosted in tephra erupted by the Pavin's Group of 86 87 Volcanoes, i.e., the youngest volcanoes of the French Massif Central. We compare the results to the composition of gas found in mantle xenoliths and surface gas emissions. In this study, we couple 88 89 geochemical markers to barometric estimations from fluid inclusions to decipher the evolution of 90 magmatic gases upon ascent (Boudoire et al., 2018) and discuss the origin of the gas released in the area. To achieve these objectives, we use an innovative approach based on (1) the quantification of 91 92 the influence of carbonate precipitation on CO<sub>2</sub> densities in fluid inclusions to retrieve barometric 93 estimates, and (2) the first chemical characterization (for the French Massif Central if not for the 94 European Cenozoic Rift System) of the gas entrapped in fluid inclusions in phenocrysts from lavas.

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#### 96 2. Geological context and sampling strategy

97 The Cenozoic European Volcanic Province (CEVP) was generated by intraplate alkaline volcanism 98 related to the European Cenozoic Rift System (ECRS) surrounding the Alpine orogen (Merle and 99 Michon, 2001; Lustrino and Wilson, 2007) and extending over about 1,500 km. The CEVP consists 100 of three main areas marked by volcanic activity: the French Massif Central, the Rhenish Massif, and 101 the Bohemian Massif (Ulrych et al., 1999). The youngest volcanic activity in the CEVP formed the 102 Pavin maar-crater in the French Massif Central about 7 ka ago (**Fig. 1**; Juvigné and Miallier, 2016). 103 However, the CEVP still presents evidence of a residual or renewed magmatic activity. The

104 province is characterised by current degassing in mineral springs, mofettes, and through the soil (Bräuer et al., 2013, 2017; Gal et al., 2018; Moreira et al., 2018). Presently active magmatic 105 106 processes have been recognised or hypothesised during the last 20 years beneath the Cheb basin, in the Bohemian Massif (Bräuer et al., 2011), and in the Eifel region, in the Rhenish Massif (Hensch et 107 108 al., 2019; Kreemer et al., 2020) with both local seismicity and ground deformation. In the French 109 Massif Central, petrological investigations have suggested the potential presence of one or more magma reservoirs, still partially molten, beneath the Chaîne des Puys (Martel et al., 2013; France et 110 111 al., 2016; Boivin et al., 2017). These inferences on the current state of magmatic activity in the 112 CEVP, close to densely populated areas, may raise major concerns about civil protection and risk 113 management.

114 The French Massif Central (FMC) is the largest magmatic province of the CEVP and is 115 characterised by typical intraplate alkaline series (Michon and Merle, 2001). The Cenozoic volcanic activity spread over three main periods due to local extension and mantle upwelling of the ECRS: a 116 117 pre-rift stage (65-34 Ma), a rifting stage (34-15 Ma), and a post-rift stage marked by major magmatic events. The post-rift stage is subdivided into three phases of volcanism. The first phase 118 (9-6.3 Ma) is marked by eruptive activity in the Cantal (Fig. 1a), Aubrac, Velay, and Coirons. The 119 120 second phase (3.5-0.23 Ma) took place mainly in the Monts-Dore (Fig. 1a) and Devès. Finally, the most recent one occurred in the Chaîne des Puys (160-6.7 ka; Fig. 1a) and Bas-Vivarais (Nomade 121 et al., 2016). The last known eruptive site in the FMC (the Pavin's Group of Volcanoes; 6,730±170 122 123 a BP; Juvigné and Miallier, 2016) is located at the southern extremity of an alignment of about 80 monogenetic volcanoes oriented N-S and forming the Chaîne des Puys, at the boundary between the 124 Monts-Dore and the Cézallier (Fig. 1a). The Pavin's Group of Volcanoes is composed of 4 125 monogenetic volcanoes that erupted over a short period of time of about 100-700 years (Fig. 1b; 126 Juvigné and Miallier, 2016): Montcineyre, Estivadoux, Montchal, and Pavin (from the oldest to the 127 youngest). Volcanic products from these edifices mark a clear trend of magma differentiation from 128 basanite at Montcineyre (the most primitive lavas erupted in this part of the FMC in the last 200 ka) 129 130 to benmoreite at Pavin (maar-diatreme volcano now filled by a meromictic lake with dissolved gases in depth; Michard et al., 1994; Jézéquel et al., 2016). Very early fractionation of amphibole 131 was recognised (based on K<sub>2</sub>O, Sc, Co, Y, Nb, Ta, and REEs contents) in the magmatic series of the 132 133 Pavin's Group of Volcanoes, which differs from the early fractionation of clinopyroxene identified 134 in magmas from the Chaîne des Puys (Villemant et al., 2016). In addition to the abundance of dissolved gases in the monimolimnion layer of the Pavin lake (Aeschbach-Hertig et al., 1999), the 135 136 area is also characterised by soil CO<sub>2</sub> gas emissions (Gal and Gadalia, 2011; Gal et al., 2018) and by degassing at the Escarot mofettes (less than 3 km away). There, the <sup>3</sup>He/<sup>4</sup>He signature is the 137 most primordial ever found in the FMC and suggests direct gas migration from a magmatic 138 reservoir in the SCLM to the surface with only minor crustal contamination during the ascent 139 (Aeschbach-Hertig et al., 1999; Bräuer et al., 2017; Moreira et al., 2018). 140

141 In this study, fresh glassy lapilli from Montcineyre and Montchal, and pumices from Pavin 142 (outcrop of the Quarry of Fraux) were sampled (Fig. 1c, d). Analyses made on tephras favour the preservation of fluid inclusions in host crystals (Klügel et al., 2020), limit the effect of crystal 143 recycling and the amount of xenocrysts (Boudoire et al., 2021), and cover the whole differentiation 144 trend of the magmatic series of the Pavin's Group of Volcanoes (Villemant et al., 2016). In this 145 146 study, one tephra sample from each eruptive site was collected and considered representative of the magma involved in each eruption. This assessment is supported by the chemical, mineral, and 147 textural homogeneity of the tephra deposits from the same eruptive site along the whole 148 149 stratigraphic sequence (Rondet et al., 2019). In addition, two mantle enclaves from the Puy Gonnard, a part of Puy Beaunit volcano, at the northernmost end of the Chaîne des Puys (Fig. 1a), 150 were sampled to allow the comparison between results obtained from fluid inclusions in tephra 151 phenocrysts and mantle crystals. Puy Beaunit (43,900±5,100 a BP) is well known for its exceptional 152 153 mantle enclave abundance and diversity (Brousse and Rudel, 1964; Féménias et al., 2001, 2004). 154 Based on textural and mineral abundance analysis of thin sections (Fig. 2), these mantle enclaves 155 correspond to a coarse to transitional harzburgite (Fig. 2a, b) and a granuloblastic lherzolite (Fig. 2c, d) following the nomenclature of mantle enclaves at Puy Beaunit defined by Féménias et al. (2004). The geochemical signatures of Montcineyre basanite and Puy Beaunit melt inclusions (Jannot et al., 2005) are close enough to assume a common mantle source beneath both areas (Villemant et al., 2016). Dissolved gases were also sampled at 70 and 90 m depth in the Pavin lake together with gas emissions from the Escarot mofettes to compare the chemistry of the gas phase entrapped in fluid inclusions with that of surface gas emissions.



Longitude

**Fig. 1.** (a) Location map of the French Massif Central and the Auvergne region with the two main sampled sites: Puy Beaunit (mantle enclaves) and (b) the Pavin's Group of Volcanoes (lapilli, pumices, dissolved gases in Pavin lake, Escarot mofettes) in the vicinity of the village of Besse-en-Chandesse. (c, d) Photographs of the outcrops where lapilli were sampled.



**Fig. 2.** Transmitted light photomicrographs (in plane and cross polarized light) of the thin sections of two mantle enclaves sampled at Puy Beaunit: (a, b) harzburgite and (c, d) lherzolite (nomenclature of ultramafic rocks from Streckeisen, 1974). Ol, olivine; Cpx, clinopyroxene; Opx, orthopyroxene.

#### 3. Methodology

#### 8 3.1. Crystal composition

Crystals (olivine, clinopyroxene, orthopyroxene, and amphibole) were hand-picked from crushed and sieved lapilli (Montcineyre, Montchal), pumices (Pavin) and mantle enclaves (Puy Beaunit).
Electron microprobe analyses of mineral phases (Appendix 1) were performed using a Cameca SXFive at the Laboratoire Magmas et Volcans (Aubière, France) operated with a 15 kV accelerating voltage and a 20 nA current focused beam. Relative errors were 0.5-1.7 % (Si, Mg, Fe, Ca, Al), 16-24 % (Ti, Cr, Mn), and 62-111 % (Ni, K), on average. For olivine, the relative error on CaO was 0.5-15 %. For pyroxene, the relative error on Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> was 0.9-3 %.

#### **3.2.** Fluid inclusions composition

The composition of the fluid inclusions (Appendix 2) was determined at the Laboratoire Magmas et Volcans using an inVia confocal Raman micro-spectrometer manufactured by Renishaw. The micro-spectrometer was equipped with a 532.1  $\pm$  0.3 nm diode-pulsed solid state laser (200 mW output power), a Peltier-cooled CCD detector of 1040 x 256 pixels, a Rayleigh rejection edge filter, and a Leica DM 2500 M optical microscope with a motorised XYZ stage. Laser power was periodically checked and reduced to 19 mW on the sample surface. A 100x microscope objective, a 20 µm slit aperture, and a grating of 2400 grooves/mm were used leading to a spectral resolution better than 0.4 cm<sup>-1</sup> and spatial resolutions of 1 µm (horizontal), and 2-3 µm (vertical) near the 

surface. Calibration of peak positions was performed based on the 520.5 cm<sup>-1</sup> peak of Si and the 1331.5 cm<sup>-1</sup> peak of diamond. The spectra were recorded with the WiRE<sup>TM</sup> 4.2 software in a single window collection (recommended by Lamadrid et al., 2017, for CO<sub>2</sub> densimetry) of 365-1575 cm<sup>-1</sup> to cover the vibrational frequencies of mineral phases (host crystals, carbonates, sulphates) and gaseous phases (CO<sub>2</sub>-SO<sub>2</sub>). Extended spectra were recorded for each family of fluid inclusions (and for each sample) in the wavenumber range 60-4500 cm<sup>-1</sup> to investigate the presence of other mineral (sulphides) and fluid phases (H<sub>2</sub>O and/or OH molecules). Acquisition time for a single analysis was fixed at 60 s and room temperature was kept at ~20.5 °C.

He (<sup>3</sup>He, <sup>4</sup>He), Ne (<sup>20</sup>Ne), Ar (<sup>40</sup>Ar, <sup>38</sup>Ar, <sup>36</sup>Ar), C (<sup>13</sup>C/<sup>12</sup>C noted as  $\delta^{13}$ C versus VPDB 204 reference in per mil) isotopes were measured at the Istituto Nazionale di Geofisica e Vulcanologia 205 206 (INGV), Sezione di Palermo (Italy). Measurements were performed either in the gas phase 207 entrapped in fluid inclusions hosted in minerals or in surface gas emissions, with small differences 208 in the gas extraction or introduction method as well as in the mass spectrometers used for the 209 analysis. In detail, 0.4-1.2 g of crystals (among olivine, clinopyroxene, orthopyroxene, and 210 amphibole) were hand-picked for noble gas measurements, while 0.5-3.1 g of orthopyroxene were used for CO<sub>2</sub> extraction and carbon isotope measurements. Residual glass around the crystals was 211 removed using fluoroboric acid. Then, crystals were cleaned in an ultrasonic bath and loaded in two 212 213 distinct single-step crushers for the noble gas and CO<sub>2</sub> extraction from fluid inclusions, following 214 the protocols reported in Rizzo et al. (2018, 2021) and Sandoval-Velasquez et al. (2022). After 215 purification and separation of distinct species with cryogenic techniques, He and Ne isotopes were 216 analysed using two distinct split-flight-tube mass spectrometers (Helix SFT-Thermo), and Ar 217 isotopes using a multi-collector mass spectrometer (Argus, GVI). Typical blanks for He, Ne, and Ar were  $<10^{-15}$ ,  $<10^{-16}$ , and  $<10^{-14}$  mol, respectively. The analytical uncertainties (1 $\sigma$ ) for <sup>3</sup>He/<sup>4</sup>He are <2.4 %. The <sup>13</sup>C/<sup>12</sup>C was measured using a Thermo (Finnigan) Delta Plus XP CF-IRMS connected 218 219 to a Trace GC gas chromatograph and a Thermo (Finnigan) GC/C III interface. The absolute  $\delta^{13}$ C 220 221 analytical error is  $<0.4 \% (1\sigma)$ .

In the case of surface gas emission samples, an aliquot of gas was introduced in three distinct calibrated pipettes of 0.1 cm<sup>3</sup> each and expanded in three distinct ultra-high-vacuum purification lines dedicated to He, Ne and Ar. After purification procedures, He was introduced in a Helix SFT-GVI, Ne in a Helix MC Plus-Thermo, Ar in a Helix MC-GVI for the respective isotopic measurements, following the purification and analytical protocols reported in Rizzo et al. (2021). Measured <sup>3</sup>He/<sup>4</sup>He were corrected for atmospheric contamination based on their <sup>4</sup>He/<sup>20</sup>Ne and the values are expressed as Rc/Ra (Ra = <sup>3</sup>He/<sup>4</sup>He in air) with:

$$R_{c} = \frac{(R_{m} \times (^{4He}/_{20Ne})_{m} - R_{a} \times (^{4He}/_{20Ne})_{a})}{((^{4He}/_{20Ne})_{m} - (^{4He}/_{20Ne})_{a})}$$

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where  $R_m$  and  $({}^{4}He/{}^{20}Ne)_m$  are the measured values, and  $R_a$  and  $({}^{4}He/{}^{20}Ne)_a$  refers to the atmospheric value (0.318; Ozima and Podosek, 2002).  ${}^{40}Ar$  was also corrected for the atmospheric contamination, as follows:

$$40Ar^* = 40Ar_m - (36Ar_m \times (\frac{40Ar}{36Ar})_a)$$

where  ${}^{40}\text{Ar}^*$  is the corrected value,  ${}^{40}\text{Ar}_m$  the measured value, and  $({}^{40}\text{Ar}/{}^{36}\text{Ar})_a = 298.56$  (Lee et al., 2006).

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#### 238 3.3. 3D imagery of fluid inclusions

239 Raman tomography was performed on three fluid inclusions using <5 mW laser power. 240 Acquisitions were collected with a sampling step distance of 0.5-1 µm in the horizontal plane and 1-241 1.5 µm along the vertical axis, and 10-15 s/point. For each fluid inclusion, 3D mapping produced a

single hypermap of ten to fifteen thousand spectra in the XYZ space. The WiRE<sup>TM</sup> 4.2 software was 242 243 used to collect, process, and view 3D volume data, allowing spectral information to be analysed in 244 all dimensions simultaneously. Data processing consisted of several steps. First, narrow random 245 peaks known as cosmic rays were identified and removed from the datasets. Second, the baseline 246 was subtracted from the spectra by fitting the most appropriate polynomial function that passes 247 through anchor points in peak-free spectral regions. After an initial overview of the inclusion 248 volume to recognise the phases present, a representative, well distinct peak, generally corresponding to the strongest vibrational mode, was selected for each phase. A 3D distribution 249 250 map of the peak intensity was created using the 'signal to baseline' parameter to calculate the area 251 under the selected peak. The volume occupied by each phase was defined by setting a threshold of 252 intensity of the selected peak. To precisely delineate the volume of a phase, horizontal and vertical 253 variations in peak intensity were carefully analysed, since Raman signal intensity decreases quite rapidly at mineral rims. Volume reconstruction of the inclusion was obtained by merging the 3D 254 255 maps of all phases into a combined 3D representation on which different phases are identified by different colors. Finally, the recovered volume fraction of each phase was converted to a mass value 256 257 using the appropriate density. Total  $CO_2$  mass was obtained by adding the mass of fluid  $CO_2$  and 258 that of CO<sub>2</sub> stored in carbonates. Uncertainties in volume reconstruction from Raman tomography 259 are mainly due to the vertical spatial resolution of the technique that can be larger than the size of 260 minerals within the inclusions, resulting in aggregates of very small crystals being represented as 261 large continuous masses. The volumetric reconstruction and associated uncertainties are therefore very sensitive to the intensity threshold defined for data processing. For additional details about the 262 263 procedure followed for acquisition and processing of 3D maps, and associated uncertainties as well, the reader is referred to Schiavi et al. (2020). 264

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#### 266 **3.4.** Barometry based on CO<sub>2</sub> density in fluid inclusions

 $CO_2$  density was calculated from the Fermi dyad split ( $\Delta$ ; Van den Kerkhof and Olsen, 1990; 267 Frezzotti et al., 2012) between the 1388 and 1285 cm<sup>-1</sup> peaks (Boudoire et al., 2021). The linearity 268 of the spectrometer was tested by the use of a diamond standard (peak at 1331.5 cm<sup>-1</sup>). Corrected 269 270 splitting of the CO<sub>2</sub> Fermi dyad was then determined following the expression (1) of Lamadrid et al. (2017). Using the corrected instead of the measured splitting of the Fermi dyad has a negligible 271 effect on the calculated  $CO_2$  density (<0.01 g/cm<sup>3</sup>). Precautions were taken during the crystal 272 preparation to get homogeneous host crystal radius (around 1 mm) together with limited crystal 273 274 thickness (between 200 and 400 µm) to reduce the variability of temperatures in fluid inclusions 275 induced by laser heating (Hagiwara et al., 2021a). Based on the equation of Hagiwara et al. (2021b), we estimated a maximum temperature of 42.6 °C for fluid inclusions investigated in this study. For 276  $\Delta$  between 102.85 and 105 cm<sup>-1</sup>, this value of 42.6 °C leads to a maximum uncertainty on CO<sub>2</sub> 277 density of 0.038 g/cm<sup>3</sup> with respect to room temperature by using the equations of Sublett et al. 278 279 (2020). This part of the uncertainty related to temperature is called hereafter  $\varepsilon$ (temperature). If we recognise that the use of Raman spectroscopy at room temperature for the evaluation of CO<sub>2</sub> density 280 in fluid inclusions is not applicable between 0.22 and 0.74 g/cm<sup>3</sup> (coexistence of gas and liquid 281  $CO_2$ ), we highlight that, in this study: (i) only 10 fluid inclusions fall in this  $CO_2$  density range (for 282 283 a total of 70 fluid inclusions) and (ii) laser heating using a 19 mW power on the sample is expected to rise the temperature of fluid inclusions above the critical temperature of CO<sub>2</sub> (31 °C; Hagiwara et 284 285 al. 2021a). Consistently, no moving CO<sub>2</sub> vapour bubble was detected in these fluid inclusions 286 immediately after the analysis arguing for the presence of a homogeneous CO<sub>2</sub> phase during the 287 analysis. Three Raman spectra were acquired for each fluid inclusion to test the reproducibility of the analyses. If the CO<sub>2</sub> densities estimated from these three Raman spectra differed by more than 288  $0.05 \text{ g/cm}^3$ , the fluid inclusion was discarded from the dataset. In this way, the cases of two-phase 289 290 gas-liquid mixture can also be identified. In the absence of calibrated curves for our instrument 291 (Lamadrid et al., 2017), we tested the reliability of the experimental equations of Song et al. (2009), 292 Fall et al. (2011), Wang et al. (2011) and Lamadrid et al. (2017) on a set of 4 pure CO<sub>2</sub> fluid inclusions (0.60-0.92 g/cm<sup>3</sup> of CO<sub>2</sub> determined by microthermometry) used as internal standards. The equation of Song et al. (2009) provided the most reliable results with a deviation,  $\varepsilon$ (analytical), not exceeding 0.037 g/cm<sup>3</sup> of CO<sub>2</sub>, and was used in this study. Finally, the total uncertainty,  $\varepsilon$ (TOT), on CO<sub>2</sub> density related to the use of the CO<sub>2</sub> densimeter of Song et al. (2009) and to the analysis of fluid inclusions is (Boudoire et al., 2021):

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$$\varepsilon(TOT) = \sqrt[2]{\varepsilon(analytical)^2 + \varepsilon(temperature)^2 + \varepsilon(processing)^2}$$

where  $\varepsilon$ (processing) is the uncertainty related to the spectral resolution by peak fitting (<0.014 300 g/cm<sup>3</sup>; Kobayashi et al., 2012). In this study  $\varepsilon$ (TOT) is equal to 0.054 g/cm<sup>3</sup>, which corresponds to a 301 maximum uncertainty of 70 MPa, following the procedure described below. Rare sulphates, 302 sulphides, carbonates, and either liquid or vapour water were sometimes detected in a few fluid 303 304 inclusions. This observation points to the presence of a CO<sub>2</sub>-H<sub>2</sub>O initial mixture (Boudoire et al., 2018, 2021). In agreement with previous inferences made on CO<sub>2</sub>-H<sub>2</sub>O initial mixture in fluid 305 inclusions analysed in other similar studies (Hansteen and Klügel, 2008; Zanon and Frezzotti, 306 2013), we consider an upper limit of 10% mol of H<sub>2</sub>O in the initial exsolved phase. Such a value 307 leads to a maximum increase of density of 0.03 g/cm<sup>3</sup>. Pressure was estimated with the ISOC code 308 (Bakker, 2003) using the equation of state of Duan et al. (1992, 1996) set for CO<sub>2</sub>-H<sub>2</sub>O mixture on a 309 large range of pressure and temperature. Based on the composition of the lavas (Villemant et al., 310 311 2016) and the MgO-thermometer of Putirka (2008), the temperature was fixed at 1300 °C, 1200 °C, and 1050 °C for the basanite of Montcinevre, the hawaiite of Montchal, and the benmoreite of 312 313 Pavin. Previous estimations made for the benmoreitic magma of Pavin are in the range 950-975 °C 314 (Rondet et al., 2019). Any uncertainty on temperature results only in minor errors on pressure (<50 MPa for a shift of 100 °C). Following the results obtained by Féménias et al. (2001) on mantle 315 enclaves at Puy Beaunit, the temperature was fixed at 850 °C and 1000 °C for granuloblastic 316 317 lherzolite and transitional harzburgite, respectively. Finally, the cumulated uncertainty on pressure estimates from CO<sub>2</sub> densimetry in fluid inclusions does not exceed 90 MPa in this study. 318

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#### 321 **4. Results**

#### 322 4.1. Mineralogy

323 The compositions of olivine crystals from the lapilli and pumices of the three volcanoes largely overlap (Fig. 3a): from Fo<sub>78.9</sub> to Fo<sub>85.8</sub> at Montcineyre, from Fo<sub>78.9</sub> to Fo<sub>84.1</sub> at Montchal, and from 324 Fo<sub>77.1</sub> to Fo<sub>85.3</sub> at Pavin. Meanwhile, the average forsterite (Fo) content of olivine crystals slightly 325 decreases from Montcineyre (Fo<sub>83,2</sub>) to Montchal (Fo<sub>81,1</sub>) and Pavin (Fo<sub>79,1</sub>) products. Noteworthy, 326 327 part of olivine crystals from Montcineyre show a lower CaO content (0.12-0.19 wt%) than that from 328 Montchal and Pavin (0.18-0.36 wt%) at constant forsterite content (Fig. 3a). The Mg-numbers 329 (Mg#) of olivine crystals from lapilli and pumices differ from those of olivine crystals at 330 equilibrium with the bulk rock: they are lower at Montcineyre and Montchal, and higher at Pavin (Fig. 3a). Both normal and reverse zoning is observed in olivine crystals from Montcinevre and 331 332 Pavin, whereas only normal zoning was identified in the few analysed olivine crystals from 333 Montchal (Table 1). The range of composition of olivine crystals from mantle enclaves is narrow (Fig. 3a): from Fo<sub>89.5</sub> to Fo<sub>90.1</sub> for the lherzolite and from Fo<sub>90.5</sub> to Fo<sub>91.0</sub> for the harzburgite. In both 334 enclaves, an increase of the CaO content at constant forsterite content is observed from crystal core 335 336 to rim.

As in the case of olivine, the compositions of clinopyroxene crystals from the lapilli and pumices of the three volcanoes overlap widely (**Fig. 3b**): the Mg-number ranges from 72.7 to 84.0 at Montcineyre, from 70.5 to 83.5 at Montchal, and from 74.5 to 79.5 at Pavin. The decrease of the Mg-number of clinopyroxene crystals is coupled with a decrease in SiO<sub>2</sub> and CaO contents and with an increase in Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, TiO<sub>2</sub>, and Na<sub>2</sub>O contents, which mirror the behaviour described for clinopyroxene crystals from mantle enclaves. A few clinopyroxene crystals from Montcineyre 343 display the highest Mg-numbers together with an enrichment in  $Al_2O_3$  and  $TiO_2$  contents. In the 344 same way as for olivine crystals, the Mg-numbers of clinopyroxene crystals from lapilli and 345 pumices differ from the Mg# computed for clinopyroxene at equilibrium with the bulk rock: they are lower at Montcineyre and Montchal, and higher at Pavin (Fig. 3b). Complex normal and reverse 346 347 zoning is observed in clinopyroxene crystals from all lapilli and pumices, whatever the eruptive site 348 (Table 1). Clinopyroxene crystals are mainly diopside in both mantle enclaves, lapilli, and pumices. 349 In mantle enclaves, the Mg-number of clinopyroxene crystals decreases (as well as SiO<sub>2</sub> and CaO contents) from harzburgite (Mg# = 91.9 $\pm$ 0.7) to lherzolite (Mg# = 89.5 $\pm$ 0.6) together with an 350 351 increase in Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and Na<sub>2</sub>O contents (Fig. 3b, Appendix 1). No compositional zoning is observed 352 from crystal core to rim.

Orthopyroxene crystals were found only in mantle enclaves. The Mg-number decreases (as well as SiO<sub>2</sub> content) from harzburgite (Mg# = 91.3 $\pm$ 0.2) to lherzolite (Mg# = 90.0 $\pm$ 0.3) together with an increase in Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and CaO contents. A clear reverse zoning is systematically observed in crystals from both harzburgite and lherzolite (**Fig. 3c**). Amphibole crystals in the pumices of Pavin are kaersutite (Leake et al., 1997).



Fig. 3. Composition of (a) olivine, (b) clinopyroxene, and (c) orthopyroxene crystals from mantle enclaves (Puy Beaunit) and tephras and pumices (Pavin's Group of Volcanoes). Dashed lines represent the compositions of olivine and clinopyroxene at equilibrium with the bulk rock (Villemant et al., 2016): in purple for Montcineyre (sample P13-8), in red for Montchal (sample P13-4), and in orange for Pavin (sample KBP3b\*). For the calculations, the Fe-Mg distribution coefficients between melt and crystals (K<sub>D</sub>) were set at 0.30 and 0.27 for olivine and clinopyroxene, respectively (Putirka, 2008). Fo represents the forsterite content of olivine crystals (Fo =  $100 \times \frac{Mg^{2+}}{Mg^{2+} + Fe^{2+} + Ca^{2+}}$ ) and Mg# is the Mg-number of other crystals (Mg# =  $100 \times \frac{Mg^{2+}}{Mg^{2+} + Fe^{2+}}$ ).

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#### 371 4.2. Fluid inclusions

For lapilli and pumices of the Pavin's Group of Volcanoes, fluid inclusions were essentially 372 373 observed in olivine and clinopyroxene crystals. Five families of fluid inclusions were distinguished 374 (Table 2): (F1) rare primary negatively-shaped fluid inclusions with a homogeneous trapping (Fig. 375 4a), (F2) rare pseudo-secondary rounded fluid inclusions with a homogeneous trapping, (F3) trails 376 of secondary rounded fluid inclusions with a homogeneous trapping (Fig. 4b), (F4) primary 377 rounded fluid inclusions with a heterogeneous trapping characterised by the presence of either a 378 single phase or a mixture of liquid-vapour phases and, (F5) trails of secondary rounded fluid 379 inclusions with a heterogeneous trapping (Fig. 4c). All fluid inclusions are CO<sub>2</sub>-rich. Water vapour 380 (3640 cm<sup>-1</sup> Raman peak) or a thin film of liquid water on the wall of fluid inclusions (3250-3550 cm<sup>-1</sup> Raman band; Frezzotti et al., 2012) were sometimes detected. Additionally, traces of SO<sub>2</sub> (F1-381 F5). carbonates (mainly (Fe-)magnesite and minor Mg-calcite, F2-F3-F5), and sulphides (mainly 382 383 chalcopyrite-pyrite, F5) were sometimes detected by Raman spectroscopy (Appendix 2).

384 For mantle enclaves at Puy Beaunit, fluid inclusions were observed in olivine, clinopyroxene, and orthopyroxene crystals. Four families of fluid inclusions were identified (Table 385 386 2): (fl) trails of secondary negatively-shaped fluid inclusions with a homogeneous trapping (Fig. 387 4d), (f2) trails of secondary necking down fluid inclusions (Fig. 4e), (f3) trails of secondary rounded 388 fluid inclusions with a homogeneous trapping (Fig. 4f), and (f4) trails of secondary rounded fluid 389 inclusions with a heterogeneous trapping. Independently of the family of fluid inclusions, those in 390 crystals from the harzburgite show traces of SO<sub>2</sub> (f2-f3-f4). Few crystals from the lherzolite show 391 traces of sulphate (mainly anhydrite and possibly kieserite, f3) and carbonate (dolomite, f3). Few 392 crystals from the harzburgite show traces of carbonate (mainly dolomite, f3) and sulphate 393 (anhydrite, f3). Viewable fluid inclusions are abundant in clinopyroxene or orthopyroxene crystals. 394 For the harzburgite, trails of secondary rounded fluid inclusions present in clinopyroxene or 395 orthopyroxene crystals either (1) take a necking down shape (Fig. 4e) or (2) are not viewable 396 anymore in adjacent olivine crystals (Fig. 4f).

397 For lapilli and pumices of the Pavin's Group of Volcanoes, the  $CO_2$  density ( $\rho$ ) in fluid inclusions is systematically higher than 0.83 g/cm<sup>3</sup>. The maximum CO<sub>2</sub> density decreases from 398 Montcineyre ( $\rho_{max} = 1.04 \text{ g/cm}^3$ ) to Pavin ( $\rho_{max} = 0.98 \text{ g/cm}^3$ ) and Montchal ( $\rho_{max} = 0.91 \text{ g/cm}^3$ ). For mantle enclaves at Puy Beaunit, the CO<sub>2</sub> density in fluid inclusions covers a larger range of 399 400 values (from 0.08 to 1.01 g/cm<sup>3</sup>) without clear distinction between harzburgite ( $\rho_{max} = 0.97$  g/cm<sup>3</sup>) 401 and lherzolite ( $\rho_{max} = 1.01 \text{ g/cm}^3$ ). Leaving aside the very low-density values, this range of CO<sub>2</sub> 402 density is close to that reported by Bilal and Touret (1977) for catazonal xenoliths from the Bournac 403 volcano in the FMC ( $0.72 - 1.08 \text{ g/cm}^3$ ). Differences in CO<sub>2</sub> density (average, maximum) among 404 405 fluid inclusions are noteworthy between (1) primary and secondary/pseudo-secondary fluid 406 inclusions, (2) families of fluid inclusions in each sample, and (3) hosting mineral phases, such as 407 olivine vs. clinopyroxene (Table 2, Fig. 5). This phenomenon was extensively documented in other 408 studies focused on fluid inclusions (Hansteen and Klügel, 2008, for a review). These density 409 differences may be related to the history of fluid inclusion entrapment during crystal growth 410 (Hansteen and Klügel, 2008) and/or distinct re-equilibration effects depending on the crystal lattice 411 (Hildner et al., 2011).

412 Additionally, the effect of the presence of secondary phases in fluid inclusions on CO<sub>2</sub> 413 density was qualitatively evaluated (Fig. 5, Appendix 2). No significative difference is observed between pure CO<sub>2</sub>-rich fluid inclusions and those characterised by the presence of sulphates or SO<sub>2</sub> 414 415 (with a low intensity Raman peak at 1148-1150 cm<sup>-1</sup>) (**Fig. 5a, b**). This is consistent with previous inferences noting that small amounts of additional components in CO<sub>2</sub>-dominated fluid inclusions 416 417 do not affect the interpretation of the trapping conditions (Van den Kerkhof and Olsen, 1990; 418 Frezzotti et al., 2012). Conversely, we suspect a potential role of carbonate precipitation in the 419 decrease of the CO<sub>2</sub> density in some fluid inclusions belonging to the same family (Fig. 5c, d). For instance, the CO<sub>2</sub> density of the F5 family in Montcineyre crystals decreases from 1.00 g/cm<sup>3</sup> in 420 fluid inclusions without carbonates to 0.88-0.91 g/cm<sup>3</sup> in fluid inclusions with carbonates. 3D 421

422 Raman imaging confirmed the presence of accessory carbonate, sulphide, and/or sulphate in some 423 fluid inclusions, especially in the largest ones (Fig. 6). Hematite was detected in a large fluid 424 inclusion (Fig. 6a). Within a same trail of secondary fluid inclusions in olivine crystals from Montcineyre, the CO<sub>2</sub> density decreases from 1.00 g/cm<sup>3</sup> (FI3 without secondary phases) to 0.92 425 g/cm<sup>3</sup> (FI2 with carbonate and sulphide), and to 0.88 g/cm<sup>3</sup> (FI1 with carbonate, sulphide, and 426 427 hematite). This evolution also mirrors a change in the diameter of the fluid inclusions, from 3.5 to 428 11.5  $\mu$ m (Fig. 6). The effect of both carbonate precipitation and volume of fluid inclusions on CO<sub>2</sub> 429 density will be discussed in a following section.

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433 Fig. 4. Transmitted light photomicrographs of the families of fluid inclusions (see text for explanations) in crystals from 434 lapilli and pumices (Pavin's Group of Volcanoes) and mantle enclaves (Puy Beaunit). (a) Primary negatively-shaped 435 fluid inclusions (F1) in an olivine crystal from Montcineyre. (b) Secondary rounded fluid inclusions (F3) in an olivine 436 crystal from Montcineyre. (c) Secondary rounded fluid inclusions (F5) from an olivine crystal from Montcineyre that 437 present a heterogeneous trapping with both single-phase fluid inclusions (c1) and a mixture of liquid-vapor phases (c2). 438 (d) Secondary negatively-shaped fluid inclusions (f1) in a clinopyroxene crystal from the lherzolite. (e) Continuous trail 439 of secondary fluid inclusions cutting both olivine and clinopyroxene crystals from the harzburgite. Note the inclusions 440 of olivine in the clinopyroxene crystal. Fluid inclusions have a necking down shape in the olivine crystal (e1) but are 441 rounded in the clinopyroxene crystal (e2). (f) Trail of secondary fluid inclusions in a clinopyroxene crystal from the 442 harzburgite that stops at the contact with the olivine crystal. 443



444 445 **Fig. 5.** Distribution of CO<sub>2</sub> density in fluid inclusions from olivine, clinopyroxene, and orthopyroxene from mantle 446 enclaves (Puy Beaunit) and lapilli and pumices (Pavin's Group of Volcanoes). FIs: Fluid Inclusions. "With secondary 447 phases" denotes the crystals where either sulphate-sulphide-SO<sub>2</sub> or carbonate were detected in fluid inclusions by 448 Raman spectroscopy. (a) and (b) show the effect of the presence of either sulphate-sulphide or SO<sub>2</sub> in fluid inclusions on the 449 distribution of CO<sub>2</sub> densities. (c) and (d) show the effect of the presence of carbonates in fluid inclusions on the 450 distribution of CO<sub>2</sub> densities.



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452 453 Fig. 6. 2D section of some fluid inclusions extracted from the 3D Raman images. (a) FI1, FI2, FI3 are three single fluid inclusions from a trail of secondary fluid inclusions in an olivine crystal from Montcineyre. (b) FIa is one fluid inclusion in a trail of secondary fluid inclusions cutting a clinopyroxene crystal of the harzburgite. The size of the inclusions and the raw CO<sub>2</sub> density (i.e., not calculated by considering the presence of a CO<sub>2</sub>-H<sub>2</sub>O initial mixture) of the 457 gas phase are reported.

#### 459 4.3. Noble gases and carbon isotopes of $CO_2$

460 Noble gas abundances and isotopic composition, together with CO<sub>2</sub> abundance and carbon isotopy  $(\delta^{13}C)$  of CO<sub>2</sub> obtained by crystal crushing are given in **Table 3**. The helium abundance (<sup>4</sup>He) 461 varies from 4.6  $\times 10^{-13}$  mol/g (harzburgite) to 3.5  $\times 10^{-12}$  mol/g (lherzolite) with the highest 462 463 abundances in orthopyroxene crystals and the lowest ones in olivine crystals. Crystal crushing from the tephras of the Pavin's Group of Volcanoes yields a more restricted range of abundances (1.2 – 464  $2.0 \times 10^{-12}$  mol/g). <sup>4</sup>He/<sup>20</sup>Ne measured in our samples varies from 60 to 5603. Rc/Ra values vary 465 466 from 6.5 to 6.8 for crystals from tephras, with an increase from Pavin to Montchal to Montcineyre products (Fig. 7a). This variability is close to the analytical uncertainty ( $2\sigma = 0.2$  for tephras) and 467 468 requires to be cautious about this potential increase between products. Rc/Ra values vary from 6.6 to 7.0 for crystals from mantle enclaves, with higher values in orthopyroxene crystals than in 469 olivine ones (Fig. 7a). The range of <sup>4</sup>He abundances and Rc/Ra values measured in our study is 470 471 consistent with previous measurements obtained in mantle enclaves from the CEVP (Buikin et al., 2005; Gautheron et al., 2005; Rizzo et al., 2018, 2021). 472

The <sup>40</sup>Ar/<sup>36</sup>Ar varies from 325 to 2735, which is higher than the atmospheric signature 473  $({}^{40}\text{Ar}/{}^{36}\text{Ar} = 298.56$ ; Lee et al., 2006).  ${}^{4}\text{He}/{}^{40}\text{Ar}^*$  ranges from 4.0 to 16.2 for crystals from tephras 474 with an increase from Montcineyre to Montchal to Pavin products (Fig. 7b). <sup>4</sup>He/<sup>40</sup>Ar\* varies from 475

476 0.3 to 1.5 for crystals from mantle enclaves, with the lowest values for the lherzolite (0.3 and 0.7 for 477 orthopyroxene and olivine crystals, respectively). The systematic increase of  ${}^{4}\text{He}/{}^{40}\text{Ar}*$  from 478 orthopyroxene crystals to olivine crystals coupled with a decrease of  ${}^{4}\text{He}$  abundances (and of 479 Rc/Ra) discards any diffusive fractionation of noble gases between orthopyroxene and olivine 480 crystals (**Fig. 7b**) (Yamamoto et al., 2009; Rizzo et al., 2018, 2021).

481 The  $CO_2/{}^3$ He ratio ranges from  $1.6 \times 10^8$  to  $4.0 \times 10^9$  for mantle enclaves at Puy Beaunit, 482 with the lowest value measured in olivine crystals and the highest value measured in orthopyroxene 483 crystals from the lherzolite. The range of values for tephras from the Pavin's Group of Volcanoes is 484 narrower  $(1.1 - 3.1 \times 10^8)$ . The analysis of carbon isotopes of  $CO_2$  was possible only by crushing 485 orthopyroxene crystals from both lherzolite and harzburgite due to their higher gas abundance 486 (**Table 3**).  $\delta^{13}$ C of CO<sub>2</sub> varies from -2.9 ‰ for the lherzolite (close to the range of documented 487 values for mantle enclaves within the CEVP) down to -5.8 ‰ for the harzburgite (**Fig. 7c**).

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489 Measurements of dissolved gases in Lake Pavin (at 70 and 90 m-depth) in 2021 yielded Rc/Ra 490 values in the range 6.5-6.7, and  $\delta^{13}$ C of CO<sub>2</sub> varying from -2.8 to 0.8 ‰ (**Table 4**). Gas emissions 491 from the Escarot mofettes sampled in 2021 show slightly lower Rc/Ra (= 6.1) and  $\delta^{13}$ C of CO<sub>2</sub> (= -

492 3.4 ‰) than those reported for the Pavin Lake (**Table 4**). The  ${}^{4}\text{He}/{}^{40}\text{Ar}^{*}$  and the CO<sub>2</sub>/ ${}^{3}\text{He}$  are equal

493 to 1.7 and  $5.3 \times 10^9$ , respectively.

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**Fig. 7.** (a) <sup>4</sup>He abundance vs. Rc/Ra, (b) <sup>4</sup>He abundance vs. <sup>4</sup>He/<sup>40</sup>Ar\*, and (c)  $\delta^{13}$ C vs. CO<sub>2</sub>/<sup>3</sup>He from the gas entrapped in fluid inclusions and released by crystal crushing. The distribution fields of the literature data for the CEVP (French Massif Central, Bohemian Massif, Rhenish Massif) are reported as well as the average value for each field. Data sources: Buikin et al. (2005), Gautheron and Moreira (2002), and Rizzo et al. (2018). SCLM, MORB, Limestone and Sediment endmembers from Sano and Marty (1995), Gautheron and Moreira (2002), Bräuer et al. (2016, 2017), and Rizzo et al. (2018).

#### 508 **5. Discussion**

#### 509 5.1. Architecture of the magmatic system beneath the Pavin's Group of Volcanoes

Barometry based on CO<sub>2</sub> density in fluid inclusions is extensively used to decipher the architecture 510 of magmatic systems by pointing out the pressure of magma crystallisation and ponding zones 511 512 during magma ascent (see Hansteen and Klügel (2008) for a complete review). To reach this aim, a 513 careful analysis of the post-entrapment processes that may affect fluid inclusions is required to avoid erroneous interpretation (cf. "Roedder's rules"; Roedder, 1984). The fluid inclusions FI1-FI2-514 515 FI3 described in a trail of secondary fluid inclusions in an olivine crystal from Montcinevre (Fig. 516 **6a**) are a representative example of a process of  $CO_2$  density decrease due to either post-entrapment 517 volumetric re-equilibration (stretching or decrepitation) or carbonate precipitation (Schiavi et al., 518 2020; Venugopal et al., 2020). If we assume that the  $CO_2$  density and the volume of FI1-FI2 were 519 identical to those of FI3 at the moment of the entrapment, then the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> in fluid 520 inclusions should remain the same in time, independently of the volumetric change. By considering the volume of FI1-FI2-FI3 and the measured CO<sub>2</sub> density, the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> in fluid inclusions 521 varies by more than an order of magnitude (from  $2.2 \times 10^{-11}$  g of CO<sub>2</sub> in FI3 to 5.9-6.6  $\times 10^{-10}$  g 522 of CO<sub>2</sub> in FI1) (Table 5). Accordingly, a scenario of post-entrapment volumetric re-equilibration 523 starting with three inclusions of the same size and density cannot explain the variability of CO<sub>2</sub> 524 525 density in this trail of secondary fluid inclusions. We recognise that the actual importance of post-526 entrapment volumetric re-equilibration cannot be quantified precisely because the initial size of the 527 inclusions is not known. However, one can anticipate that this process plays a minor role in 528 explaining the variability of CO<sub>2</sub> density compared to that of carbonate precipitation in our study. 529 Indeed, by using 3D Raman imaging to estimate the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> consumed to form carbonates in FI1 and FI2 (see Methods; Schiavi et al., 2020) we obtain a similar initial CO<sub>2</sub> density for the two 530 inclusions: 1.06±0.09 and 1.12±0.07 g/cm<sup>3</sup>, respectively (instead of a measured CO<sub>2</sub> density of 0.88 531 and 0.92 g/cm<sup>3</sup>, respectively) (**Table 5**). Considering the total uncertainty,  $\varepsilon$ (TOT), on 532 measurements of CO<sub>2</sub> density in fluid inclusions in our study (0.05 g/cm<sup>3</sup>; see Methods), these 533 values overlap with the CO<sub>2</sub> density measured in FI3 (1.0 g/cm<sup>3</sup>) where carbonate was not detected 534 on Raman spectra. A similar calculation was performed in a fluid inclusion (FIa) hosted in a trail of 535 secondary fluid inclusions cutting a clinopyroxene crystal of the harzburgite and where carbonate 536 537 was detected on Raman spectra (Fig. 6b). The CO<sub>2</sub> density increases from 0.14 g/cm<sup>3</sup> (measured) to  $0.26\pm0.09$  g/cm<sup>3</sup> (**Table 5**). These calculations show that carbonate formation in fluid inclusions 538 539 may lead to an underestimation of CO<sub>2</sub> density in fluid inclusions by up to 50 % and thus to unreliable barometric estimates. To limit this effect, in the following parts, we filtered our dataset 540 by considering only fluid inclusions free of solid phases and of small diameter ( $<4 \mu m$ ) (Fig. 8). 541 542 The selection of small inclusions is justified because, within the same family of fluid inclusions, 543 secondary solid phases are more abundant and/or CO<sub>2</sub> density is lower in larger fluid inclusions. Such a protocol is in line with previous recommendations made to discard fluid inclusions affected 544 545 by post-entrapment processes (Wanamaker and Evans, 1989; Frezzotti and Touret, 2014; Boudoire 546 et al., 2018). 547

548 Beneath the Chaîne des Puys (close to the area of study; Fig. 1), the Moho was imaged at a depth of 549 24 km, which corresponds to a pressure of about 650 MPa considering an average crustal density of 2750 kg.m<sup>-3</sup> for the European plate (Spooner et al., 2019). Fixing the temperature at 1300 °C for 550 Montcineyre, 1200 °C for Montchal, and 1050 °C for Pavin (see section 3.4), barometric estimates 551 from the fluid inclusions in crystals from lapilli and pumices of the Pavin's Group of Volcanoes 552 define two main modes (Fig. 8a): (1) at 800-900 MPa and at (2) 600-700 MPa. The first mode is 553 554 only observed in olivine-hosted fluid inclusions from Montcineyre. A maximum pressure of 903 555 MPa is recorded in primary fluid inclusions that may represent a deep magma crystallisation zone 556 (of olivine) in the lithospheric mantle. Actually, Montcineyre olivine phenocrysts have the highest

average forsterite content (Fo<sub>83-84</sub>) among the olivine crystals of the Pavin's group of volcanoes. 557 558 This is consistent with the primitive nature of basanitic lavas erupted at Montcineyre (Villemant et 559 al., 2016), but also shows that advanced differentiation processes already occurred in the lithospheric mantle as the forsterite content in our samples does not exceed Fo<sub>85.8</sub>. The second mode 560 of barometric estimates corresponds to the Moho depth and is defined by most of the secondary 561 562 fluid inclusions hosted in olivine and clinopyroxene crystals from Montcineyre, Montchal and 563 Pavin. As documented beneath many volcanic provinces (Jennings et al., 2017; Boudoire et al., 564 2021), the boundary zone between the lithospheric mantle and the crust could be a major interface beneath the area for (1) magma ponding, as indicated by partial or total re-equilibration of some 565 566 primary fluid inclusions and by the similarity of CO<sub>2</sub> density in distinct families of fluid inclusions (Table 2), (2) magma mixing, as suggested by the complex normal and reverse zoning patterns 567 568 observed in both olivine and clinopyroxene crystals, and by their large range of compositions (Table 1), and (3) advanced magma differentiation involving olivine and clinopyroxene fractional 569 570 crystallisation (Fig. 3). The barometric estimates obtained in our study from Pavin's pumice (596-571 663 MPa, i.e., Moho depth) differ from pre-eruptive barometric conditions set by experimental petrology (150-200 MPa, i.e., crustal level; Rondet et al., 2019) (Fig. 8a). This discrepancy is 572 573 presumably due to the fact that our barometric estimations are based on fluid inclusions in olivine 574 crystals. Such olivine crystals are rare in Pavin's pumice, in which plagioclase, amphibole and 575 clinopyroxene are the most abundant crystals, and unusual for differentiated benmoreitic magmas 576 (Rondet et al., 2019). They may be either xenocrysts from older surrounding volcanic rock material carried during the explosive eruption (Villemant et al., 2016) or phenocrysts from a more primitive 577 melt that mixed with the benmoreitic magma at crustal level before the eruption. Further work is 578 579 required to evaluate these hypotheses.

Considering a temperature of 850 °C for the lherzolite and 1000 °C for the harzburgite (see 580 581 section 3.4), barometric estimates from the fluid inclusions in crystals from mantle enclaves of Puv Beaunit range from 26 to 636 MPa for the harzburgite and from 96 to 624 MPa for the lherzolite 582 583 with a main mode around 500-550 MPa (Fig. 8b). These pressures are essentially crustal and are far from what one may expect for mantle enclaves. Despite the filtering of the fluid inclusions 584 described above, it is clear that the inclusions have undergone post-entrapment re-equilibration 585 586 processes such as stretching or decrepitation. Interestingly, we note that helium abundances released 587 by crystal crushing from mantle enclaves are quite similar (if not lower) to those from tephras (Table 3). This result contrasts with what we observed, for example, at the Piton de la Fournaise 588 589 volcano, Réunion Island (Boudoire et al., 2018), where the total gas content released by crystal 590 crushing increases with pressure. The extensive post-entrapment re-equilibration observed at Puy 591 Beaunit better supports the idea of a partial decrepitation of fluid inclusions during the ascent of the magma carrying the mantle enclaves. The main mode of barometric estimates around 500-550 MPa 592 corresponds to the deepest pressure mode measured in fluid inclusions in phenocrysts from lavas at 593 594 Puy Beaunit (Fig. 8b; Bilal and Touret, 1977). This good pressure match suggests magma ponding 595 at this depth (Bilal and Touret, 1977), in which the pressures in the fluid inclusions from mantle 596 enclaves have been reset.



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Fig. 8. Distribution of barometric estimates calculated from filtered CO<sub>2</sub> density in fluid inclusions (see Methods) in crystals from (a) tephras of the Pavin's Group of Volcanoes and (b) mantle enclaves at Puy Beaunit. Shaded bar 1 highlights the pre-eruptive barometric conditions for the Pavin explosive event (Rondet et al., 2019). Shaded bars 2 and 3 are the two barometric modes identified from fluid inclusions in phenocrysts from lavas at Puy Beaunit (Bilal and Touret, 1977).

#### 606 5.2. Origin and evolution of the magmatic fluids

The Sub-Continental Lithospheric Mantle beneath the FMC was extensively studied by 607 608 petrological, geochemical, and geophysical means (Lenoir et al., 2000; Féménias et al., 2001, 2004; Babuška et al., 2002; Uenver-Thiele et al., 2014, 2017). Compared to the southern domain, the 609 northern lithospheric domain of the FMC, where our sampling sites are located, is more refractory 610 and oxidised due to several episodes of melt extraction and metasomatism by subduction-related 611 fluids during Variscan times, including local carbonatite metasomatism (Uenver-Thiele et al., 612 613 2017). These phenomena are documented in detail in mantle enclaves at Puy Beaunit (Féménias et al., 2004). 614

In our study, the increase in MgO in olivine, clinopyroxene, and orthopyroxene (**Fig. 3a**) together with the decrease in  $Al_2O_3$  in clinopyroxene and orthopyroxene (**Fig. 3b, c**) from granuloblastic lherzolite to transitional harzburgite are similar to previous observations made beneath the Rhenish Massif, for instance (see Rizzo et al., 2021, for a review). These trends highlight the transition from a fertile mantle source (lherzolite) towards a more refractory mantle source (harzburgite) (Arai, 1994; Bonadiman et al., 2011; Upton et al., 2011).

621 We showed that  ${}^{4}\text{He}/{}^{40}\text{Ar}^{*}$  and Rc/Ra values increase while CO<sub>2</sub>/ ${}^{3}\text{He}$  and  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  decrease 622 from the lherzolite to the harzburgite (**Fig. 7**). These trends contrast with the decrease in  ${}^{4}\text{He}/{}^{40}\text{Ar}^{*}$ 623 and Rc/Ra classically associated to partial melting (Yamamoto et al., 2009) and rather suggest 624 preferential metasomatic enrichment of the refractory mantle subsequent to partial melting and melt extraction. The slight increase in CaO and MgO in olivine crystal rims as well as the decrease in Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> coupled with the increase in MgO in orthopyroxene crystal rims (**Fig. 3a, c**) may testify of this interaction with a metasomatic agent. Higher Rc/Ra values together with lower CO<sub>2</sub>/<sup>3</sup>He and  $\delta^{13}$ C for harzburgite are consistent with an enrichment due to fluids with MORB-like features (**Fig. 7a, c**). Similar enrichment processes of the SCLM were documented beneath the Bohemian Massif (Matusiak-Malek et al., 2017; Rizzo et al., 2018), the Rhenish Massif (Rizzo et al., 2021), and the FMC (Uenver-Thiele et al., 2017).

In both harzburgite and lherzolite, we also documented higher Rc/Ra and lower  ${}^{4}\text{He}/{}^{40}\text{Ar}^{*}$ values in orthopyroxene with respect to olivine (**Fig. 7a, b**). This observation is common in mantle enclaves from the CEVP (Rizzo et al., 2018) and suggests partial recrystallisation of orthopyroxene. Actually, we noted that (1) trails of secondary fluid inclusions preferentially cut orthopyroxene rather than olivine crystals (**Fig. 4e, f**) and (2) gas abundance released by crystal crushing is higher for orthopyroxene. These observations support the idea of preferential recrystallisation and fluid inclusions entrapment in orthopyroxene under the influence of a metasomatic agent.

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640 Noble gases in fluid inclusions in crystals from tephras of the Pavin's Group of Volcanoes exhibit a range of Rc/Ra values (6.5-6.8) similar to the range in mantle enclaves at Puy Beaunit (6.6-7.0). 641 642 These first values obtained from phenocrysts in lavas suggest that the magma erupted at the Pavin's 643 Group of Volcanoes could be directly linked to partial melts from the local SCLM (Rc/Ra from 5.2 to 7.0; Gautheron and Moreira, 2002). The main difference in noble gases between tephras and 644 mantle enclaves concerns  ${}^{4}\text{He}/{}^{40}\text{Ar}^{*}$  (Fig. 7b). Higher values for tephras (>4) are not reconcilable 645 with either (1) an effect of various partial melting degrees of the mantle source (Yamamoto et al., 646 2009), whose <sup>4</sup>He/<sup>40</sup>Ar\* values are systematically lower than 1.5, or (2) a process of diffusive 647 fractionation (Trull and Kurz, 1993) that should decrease both <sup>4</sup>He/<sup>40</sup>Ar\* and Rc/Ra. 648

649 Conversely, in magmatic rocks, an increase of the  ${}^{4}\text{He}/{}^{40}\text{Ar*}$  can be indicative of a process 650 of magma degassing due to the higher solubility of He in silicate melts with respect to Ar (Burnard, 651 2004). With the aim of testing this hypothesis, we modelled degassing trends using the equations of 652 Batch Equilibrium Degassing (BED) and of Fractional Equilibrium Degassing (FED) for  ${}^{4}\text{He}/{}^{40}\text{Ar*}$ , 653  ${}^{4}\text{He}/\text{CO}_{2}$  and  ${}^{51}\text{C}$  (Jambon et al., 1986; Shaw et al., 2004). The complete description of the 654 equations is detailed in Boudoire et al. (2018). Starting conditions were defined as follows:

- (1) Initial ratios correspond to the values already defined for the SCLM associated to the 655 ECRS (Bräuer et al., 2017; Rizzo et al., 2018). <sup>4</sup>He/<sup>40</sup>Ar\* was fixed at 1.0. This value is 656 similar to the values measured (i) in fluid inclusions in the orthopyroxene crystals of the 657 harzburgite analysed in this study ( ${}^{4}\text{He}/{}^{40}\text{Ar}^{*} = 0.9$ ) and (ii) in fluid inclusions in crystals 658 from phlogopite/amphibole-bearing mantle xenoliths along the ECRS (Rizzo et al., 659 2021). This choice is further supported by the fact that low-silica magmas such as 660 661 basanites (Montcineyre) cannot be produced by partial melting of dry lherzolite in the SCLM but rather require the presence of metasomatic lithologies (Pilet, 2015) as 662 suggested for the harzburgite in our study. <sup>4</sup>He/CO<sub>2</sub> was set at 2.5  $\times$  10<sup>-5</sup> and  $\delta$ <sup>13</sup>C at -663 3.5 ‰. These values are similar to the values proposed by Rizzo et al. (2018). They are 664 also in the range of those defined for the SCLM in Europe ( $\delta^{13}$ C from -3.5 to -2 ‰) by 665 Bräuer et al. (2017) and close to the values obtained in fluid inclusions in orthopyroxene 666 crystals from the lherzolite analysed in this study (Fig. 7c). 667
- (2) Solubilities of He, Ar and CO<sub>2</sub> (S<sub>He</sub>, S<sub>Ar</sub>, S<sub>CO2</sub>) were estimated for basanitic and 668 669 benmoreitic melts to cover the magmatic variability of the Pavin's Group of Volcanoes. We used the model of Iacono-Marziano et al. (2010) for He and Ar, and that of Eguchi 670 671 and Dasgupta (2018) for  $CO_2$  (Appendix 3). These models require an estimation of the composition and density of the magma, and of the pressure-temperature conditions. 672 Importantly,  $S_{He}/S_{Ar}$  remains quite constant, whereas  $S_{He}/S_{CO2}$  increases during magma 673 ascent (Boudoire et al., 2018). Note that the solubility of CO<sub>2</sub> depends significantly on 674 melt composition, especially for alkaline melts (Iacono-Marziano et al., 2010; Eguchi 675

and Dasgupta, 2018). As a result, the degassing curves show a higher variability of  ${}^{4}$ He/CO<sub>2</sub> (relative to  ${}^{4}$ He/ ${}^{40}$ Ar\*) depending on melt composition.

- 678 (3) The carbon isotope fractionation factor between vapour and melt (Δ) was fixed at 3 ‰ in accordance with the average value of experimental and natural data (Javoy et al., 1978; Aubaud et al., 2005; Paonita et al., 2012).
- (4) The composition of the lava erupted at Montcineyre (sample P13-8; Villemant et al., 2016) and at Pavin (sample KBP3b\*; Villemant et al., 2016) was taken as representative of the basanitic and benmoreitic melts, respectively (Appendix 3). The density of the melts was calculated from the equation of Lange and Carmichael (1990).
- (5) Temperature was calculated from the composition of the lava by using the equation of Putirka (2008): 1300 °C at Montcineyre and 1050 °C at Pavin. Pressure was fixed at 650 MPa (Moho depth) in accordance with most of the barometric estimates obtained in this study for the products of the Pavin's Group of Volcanoes (Appendix 3).

The modelling of magma degassing revealed that the <sup>4</sup>He/<sup>40</sup>Ar\* variability is best explained by a 689 690 FED process (Fig. 9a). The degree of magma degassing increases from Montcineyre (basanite) to Montchal (hawaiite) to Pavin (benmoreite), and thus mirrors the differentiation trend of the Pavin's 691 692 Group of Volcanoes. We note that even the more primitive melt at Montcineyre, with barometric 693 estimates referring to mantle level, is already strongly degassed ( $\approx 80$  %) with respect to primary 694 mantle conditions. This indicates that melts stored in the lithospheric mantle beneath the area have 695 already undergone an advanced degree of degassing and differentiation (in agreement with the 696 absence of olivine crystals with forsterite content exceeding Fo<sub>85.8</sub>, as discussed above). A similar 697 conclusion was reached in other volcanic systems, such as in oceanic islands at Piton de la 698 Fournaise (La Réunion; Boudoire et al., 2018) or El Hierro (Canary Islands; Longpré et al., 2017), and attributed to early magmatic processes occurring in deeper mantle storage zones. Such an 699 advanced degree of degassing is expected to have an important impact on  $\delta^{13}$ C values of the vapour 700 phase exsolved from melts of the Pavin's Group of Volcanoes due to preferential partitioning of <sup>13</sup>C 701 in gas bubbles (Aubaud et al., 2004). Unfortunately, direct measurements of  $\delta^{13}$ C of CO<sub>2</sub> released 702 703 by crystal crushing was analytically impossible in these samples due to a low gas abundance. By using the same starting conditions as reported above, we can calculate the expected  $\delta^{13}$ C of CO<sub>2</sub> in 704 the vapour phase (Fig. 9b): from -8.1/-8.3 ‰ at Montcinevre down to -12.7/-13.2 ‰ at Pavin (for a 705 706 melt composition that spans between basanite and benmoreite). These estimations show that very negative  $\delta^{13}$ C values may be reached with a "purely" magmatic contribution without (1) mixing 707 with <sup>13</sup>C-depleted compounds (organic matter, C3-C4 plants; Boudoire et al., 2022) or (2) a CO<sub>2</sub> 708 709 condensation process (Mook et al., 1974).

A potential slight decrease of Rc/Ra with time in the fluid inclusions of the Pavin's Group of Volcanoes may be observed (**Fig. 9c**). If established (the variability is almost overlapped by the analytical uncertainty), this decrease is not reconcilable with degassing processes, as this ratio does not fractionate. More likely, it could result from progressive enrichment in <sup>4</sup>He due to (1) magma degassing coupled to aging and/or (2) crustal contamination (Kurz et al., 1996; Moreira, 2013) (**Fig. 9c**). We recognise that further work is required to investigate the role of these processes in the magma evolution of the Pavin's Group of Volcanoes.







720 Fig. 9. (a) Modelling of the evolution of  ${}^{4}\text{He}/{}^{40}\text{Ar}^{*}$  and  ${}^{4}\text{He}/\text{CO}_{2}$  during degassing. (b) Modelling of the evolution of  $\delta^{13}$ C of CO<sub>2</sub> by degassing. The values of  $\delta^{13}$ C of CO<sub>2</sub> for the vapour phase exsolved from the melts of the Pavin's Group of Volcanoes are estimated by coupling the measured <sup>4</sup>He/<sup>40</sup>Ar\* and the theoretical curves of fractional 721 722 723 equilibrium degassing for basanitic and benmoreitic melts. (c) Modelling of the aging-degassing processes in the 724 Pavin's Group of Volcanoes: evolution of Rc/Ra and <sup>4</sup>He/<sup>40</sup>Ar\* in the vapour phase exsolved from the melts. Th is the 725 composition in thorium of the lavas (Villemant et al., 2016). The amount of radiogenic <sup>4</sup>He ingrowth (in cm<sup>3</sup>/g) from the decay of U and Th over time (<sup>4</sup>He\*) in magma can be estimated through the equation of Graham et al. (1987):  $4He^* = 2.8 \times 10^{-8} \times [U] \times (4.35 + \frac{Th}{U}) \times t$  where t is the time in Ma, [U] is the uranium concentration in ppm (1.3 ppm in sample P13-8 at Montcineyre; Villemant et al., 2016), and Th/U is the thorium-uranium atomic ratio (3.6 for the 726 727 728 729 same sample). FED: Fractional Equilibrium Degassing. BED: Batch Equilibrium Degassing (grey field for the full field 730 of values considering either a basanitic or a benmoreitic composition). The white star represents the starting conditions 731 in the SCLM (see text for explanations). The black polygon highlights the chemical composition of the gas emissions at 732 the Escarot mofettes.

#### 734 5.3. Implications for the monitoring of a long-quiescent volcanic province

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By coupling barometric estimates and the extents of degassing based on <sup>4</sup>He/<sup>40</sup>Ar\* (starting from an 735 initial ratio of 1.0 at the source; see previous section) we can build an interpretative scheme of the 736 737 magma plumbing system beneath the Lake Pavin area and of the evolution of the exsolved gas phase (Fig. 10). The magma differentiation documented for the Pavin's Group of Volcanoes 738 739 (Villemant et al., 2016; Rondet et al., 2019) is accompanied by progressive magma degassing 740 together with a decrease of the pressure of magma ponding from Montcineyre (basanite, <sup>4</sup>He/<sup>40</sup>Ar\* = 4.0, Moho depth and deeper) to Montchal (hawaiite,  ${}^{4}\text{He}/{}^{40}\text{Ar}^{*}$  = 9.8, Moho depth) to Pavin 741 (benmoreite,  ${}^{4}\text{He}/{}^{40}\text{Ar}^{*} = 16.2$ , crustal level). 742

743 The model in Figure 10 sheds new light on the origin of current gas emissions in the area. 744 Previous measurements of dissolved gases in Lake Pavin between 1969 and 1996 show an Rc/Ra 745 value of 6.5 below the chemocline at 60 m-depth (Aeschbach-Hertig et al., 1999; Olive and 746 Boulègue, 2004). Our measurements in 2021 yield a Rc/Ra in the range 6.5-6.7 (Table 4) that is 747 consistent with previous analyses. In gas emissions from the Escarot mofettes, a Rc/Ra in the range of 6.0-6.3 and a  $\delta^{13}$ C from -3.8 to -3.6 % were documented in 2011-2015 (Bräuer et al., 2017). The 748 measurements we performed in 2021 (Rc/Ra = 6.1 and  $\delta^{13}$ C = -3.4 ‰; Table 4) are similar to these 749 values. In addition to the stability of these geochemical markers in time, it is worth noting the high 750 751 Rc/Ra values in the surface gas emissions, which are the most elevated in the FMC until now 752 (Bräuer et al., 2017). These high Rc/Ra values are close to those documented in the gas entrapped in fluid inclusions from mantle enclaves at Puy Beaunit (Rc/Ra = 6.6-7.0) and from tephras belonging 753 to the Pavin's Group of Volcanoes (Rc/Ra = 6.5-6.8). In addition,  ${}^{4}\text{He}/{}^{40}\text{Ar}^{*}$  was measured at 1.7 in 754 the gas emissions from the Escarot mofettes (Table 4). According to our degassing model and 755 756 interpretative scheme, such a value should place the depth of degassing at mantle level (Fig. 10). This suggests the absence of a residual crustal magma reservoir involved in feeding the surface gas 757 758 emissions in the Lake Pavin area and rather supports the idea of fluid transport along deep reaching 759 faults from a magma reservoir within the SCLM (Bräuer et al., 2017). However, in the event of a 760 new batch of magma rising from mantle depth to shallower levels, our interpretative scheme allows 761 us to predict a slight increase in Rc/Ra (less crustal contamination and/or less ageing) and in <sup>4</sup>He/<sup>40</sup>Ar\* (by degassing upon magma ascent) with respect to current values measured in local 762 gaseous emissions. Considering this scenario, we recommend that an appropriate monitoring 763 764 strategy for gaseous emissions in the area be put in place. In particular, we highlight the necessity to 765 sustain a long-term monitoring of noble gases in several mineral springs representative of the chemical heterogeneity of these markers on a regional scale (Bräuer et al., 2017). 766

In our model, if  ${}^{4}\text{He}/{}^{40}\text{Ar}^{*}$  increases by degassing in gas emissions from the Escarot mofettes up to 1.7 (with respect to the starting conditions in the SCLM),  $\delta^{13}$ C of CO<sub>2</sub> is expected to decrease down to -5.2/-5.4 ‰ in gas emissions from the Escarot mofettes. Such a discrepancy with the measured value (-3.4 ‰; **Table 4**) is intriguing. A first hypothesis to reconciliate these values is to consider a process of partial dissolution of CO<sub>2</sub> in shallow aquifers. Under appropriate pH and 772 temperature conditions such a process may trigger the Rayleigh fractionation of CO<sub>2</sub> towards more positive values of  $\delta^{13}$ C (Mook et al., 1974; Hoefs, 1997). It could also partially explain the 773 enrichment in He and CH<sub>4</sub> (Caracausi et al., 2003) with respect to the composition of other local gas 774 emissions (Bräuer et al., 2017). A second hypothesis to explain the relatively high value of  $\delta^{13}$ C of 775 CO<sub>2</sub> measured at the Escarot mofettes is to consider a process of CO<sub>2</sub> fluxing from depth. Indeed, 776 777 the extensive CO<sub>2</sub> degassing we documented in this study (more than 80 % of the initial CO<sub>2</sub> would be lost for melts of the Pavin's Group of Volcanoes) suggests the presence of a deeper CO<sub>2</sub> vapour 778 phase. This inference is supported by recent results in experimental petrology that show a 779 780 significative enrichment in volatile elements in primary mantle melts beneath the FMC (Buso et al., 2022). This CO<sub>2</sub> phase, exsolved early and thus characterised by a less negative  $\delta^{13}$ C of CO<sub>2</sub>, may 781 782 contribute to flux overlying magma reservoirs (Edmonds, 2008) and consequently to modify the pristine signature of the melt-related CO<sub>2</sub>. Carbon dioxide fluxing may also affect the solubility of 783 784 other gaseous species like H<sub>2</sub>O and SO<sub>2</sub>, and thus potentially lead to the early exsolution of an 785 enriched H<sub>2</sub>O-S vapour phase (Spilliaert et al., 2006; Boudoire et al., 2021). This process may 786 provide an explanation to the detection of SO<sub>2</sub> and/or sulphate-sulphide by Raman spectroscopy in 787 some fluid inclusions entrapped at mantle level (Fig. 5) whereas  $SO_2$  is expected to strongly degas 788 only at crustal levels (<250 MPa; Boulliung and Wood, 2022). Further work is required to evaluate 789 these hypotheses but in light of them it seems relevant to pursue the monitoring of gas emissions 790 from the Escarot mofettes and to promote the installation of a soil CO<sub>2</sub> station there.

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**Fig. 10.** Interpretative scheme of the evolution in time of the magmatic system and of the composition of the exsolved vapor phase for the Pavin's Group of Volcanoes obtained by coupling (1) barometric estimates, (2) measured  ${}^{4}\text{He}/{}^{40}\text{Ar}^{*}$ , (3) estimated  $\delta^{13}$ C of CO<sub>2</sub> from fluid inclusions. A comparison is made with the current status of degassing in the area (composition of dissolved gases in Lake Pavin and of gas emissions from the Escarot mofettes). The question mark in step 3 denotes the hypothesis of a potential pre-eruptive arrival of deep magmatic fluids in the crustal magma reservoir of the Pavin eruption (150-200 MPa; Rondet et al., 2019). Equivalent depth was calculated considering the Moho depth at 24 km and average crustal and mantle densities for the European plate of 2750 and 3300 kg.m<sup>-3</sup>, respectively (Spooner et al., 2019).

#### 803 6. Conclusion

We conducted a coupled study of  $CO_2$  densimetry and geochemistry of fluid inclusions from products erupted by the Pavin's Group of Volcanoes, i.e., in the place of the most recent eruptive activity in the French Massif Central. Our results showed a progressive decrease (in time) of the pressure of magma storage (from more than 900 MPa down to 150-200 MPa) in parallel to magma

808 differentiation (from basanites at Montcinevre to benmoreites at Pavin). The geochemical analysis 809 of the noble gases entrapped in fluid inclusions led to two main conclusions. Firstly, Rc/Ra (6.5-810 6.8) is in the range of ratios measured in fluid inclusions from mantle xenoliths in the Massif 811 Central (5.6±1.1, on average) in agreement with an origin from the Sub-Continental Lithospheric Mantle (SCLM). Secondly, magma degassing (<sup>4</sup>He/<sup>40</sup>Ar\* from 4.0 to 16.2) follows magma 812 differentiation and the progressive rise of the magma ponding zones. Based on these results, we 813 814 proposed an interpretative scheme of the evolution of the signature of noble gases and carbon 815 isotopes from mantle depth to crustal levels. Gas emissions currently emitted in the area (Rc/Ra = 6.1-6.7 and  ${}^{4}\text{He}/{}^{40}\text{Ar}^{*} = 1.7$ ) point to an origin in the lithospheric mantle according to this model. 816 Meanwhile, an increase in Rc/Ra and in <sup>4</sup>He/<sup>40</sup>Ar\* values in gaseous emissions is expected in the 817 case where a new batch of magma will rise from mantle depth to shallower levels. This inference 818 819 strongly encourages the establishment of an appropriate monitoring strategy of gaseous emissions in 820 the area focused on the time evolution of (1) noble gas ratios from local mineral springs and (2) soil 821 gas (CO<sub>2</sub>, Rn) emissions.

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#### **Tables**

<b>∆</b> Mg-number between core			Oli	vine			(	Clinopyr	oxene	
and rim	n	Min	Max	Average	σ	n	Min	Max	Average	σ
Pavin's Group of Volcanoes										
Montcineyre	4	-3.6	0.4	-1.1	1.9	8	-2.4	7.6	0.8	3.5
Montchal	4	0.3	3.3	1.4	1.3	10	-7.0	6.8	0.1	4.8
Pavin	8	-0.9	4.2	0.4	1.6	9	-1.3	3.0	1.2	1.4
<u>Puy Beaunit</u>										
Harzburgite	5	-0.5	0.1	-0.1	0.2	10	-0.7	1.1	0.4	0.6
Lherzolite	5	-0.5	0.0	-0.3	0.2	10	-0.5	1.0	0.4	0.4

Table 1. Difference between the Mg-number calculated for the core and the rim of each single crystal of olivine and clinopyroxene from mantle enclaves (Puy Beaunit) and lapilli and pumices (Pavin's Group of Volcanoes). Negative value denotes a reverse zoning whereas positive value highlights a normal zoning. Note that zoning patterns of clinopyroxene crystals revealed by Backscattered electrons (BSE) imagery during EPMA analyses appear much more complex than simple normal or reverse zoning and would deserve a dedicated focus that is not the scope of the present study. 'n' denotes the number of crystals where the pair core-rim was analysed.

	Host mineral	Group	Туре	Shape	Trapping	n	Fern	ni dyad s	plit <b>∆</b> (cm <sup>-1</sup>	)	CO <sub>2</sub> -H	I <sub>2</sub> O mi (g/	xture dens (cm <sup>3</sup> )	ity <b>ρ</b>	Other phases
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	Olivine	F5	Secondary	Rounded	Homogenous	8	104.69	105.07	104.79	0.13	0.89	1.04	0.94	0.05	SO <sub>2</sub> - Carbonate - Sulphide
Montcineyre	Olivine	F3	Secondary	Rounded	Heterogenous	5	104.64	104.97	104.85	0.15	0.88	1.00	0.96	0.06	Carbonate
	Olivine	F1	Primary	shaped	Homogenous	2	104.99	105.00	104.99	0.00	1.01	1.01	1.01	0.00	SO <sub>2</sub>
	Clinopyroxene	F3	Secondary	Rounded	Homogenous	9	104.53	104.80	104.66	0.11	0.83	0.94	0.88	0.04	
Montchal	Olivine	F2	Pseudo- Secondary	Rounded	Homogenous	1	104.58	104.58	104.58	0.00	0.85	0.85	0.85	0.00	Carbonate
	Olivine	F4	Primary	Rounded	Heterogenous	1	104.72	104.72	104.72	0.00	0.91	0.91	0.91	0.00	-
Pavin	Olivine	F3	Secondary	Rounded	Homogenous	3	104.80	104.90	104.85	0.05	0.94	0.98	0.96	0.02	
		Puy ]	<u>Beaunit</u>												
	Orthopyroxene	f3	Secondary	Rounded	Homogenous	4	104.21	104.89	104.70	0.33	0.69	0.97	0.90	0.14	SO <sub>2</sub>
Harzburgite	Clinopyroxene	f3	Secondary	Rounded	Homogenous	4	102.92	103.03	102.97	0.04	0.10	0.15	0.13	0.02	Carbonate - Sulphate
	Olivine	f2	Secondary	Necking	Homogenous	8	104.01	104.45	104.36	0.15	0.60	0.80	0.76	0.06	SO <sub>2</sub>
	Olivine	f4	Secondary	Rounded	Homogenous	4	104.73	104.75	104.74	0.01	0.91	0.92	0.91	0.00	SO <sub>2</sub>
	Orthopyroxene	f3	Secondary	Rounded	Heterogenous	8	103.48	104.85	103.84	0.61	0.36	0.96	0.52	0.27	Sulphate
Lherzolite	Clinopyroxene	f3	Secondary	Rounded	Homogenous	2	102.86	102.92	102.89	0.04	0.08	0.10	0.09	0.02	Sulphate
	Clinopyroxene	f1	Secondary	shaped	Homogenous	11	104.80	104.98	104.90	0.06	0.94	1.01	0.98	0.02	-

**Table 2.** Number of analysed fluid inclusions (n), Fermi dyad split ( $\Delta$ ), CO<sub>2</sub> density ( $\rho$ ) (by considering the presence of a CO<sub>2</sub>-H<sub>2</sub>O initial mixture), and secondary phases detected by Raman spectroscopy for each family of fluid inclusions (*F1-F5* for the Pavin's Group of Volcanoes and *f1-f4* for Puy Beaunit; see text for explanation). Max: maximum. Min: minimum. Av: average. The standard deviation ( $\sigma$ ) on the average was also calculated.

					1	Absolut	e Gas C	Contents	(mol/g	)						Rati	0				Carbon	isotopy
			Gas	<sup>4</sup> He	<sup>3</sup> He	<sup>20</sup> Ne	<sup>40</sup> Ar	<sup>38</sup> Ar	<sup>36</sup> Ar	<sup>40</sup> Ar*	CO <sub>2</sub>	$N_2$	<sup>4</sup> He/ <sup>20</sup> Ne	<sup>4</sup> He/ <sup>40</sup> Ar*	<sup>4</sup> He/CO <sub>2</sub>	R/Ra	Rc/Ra	2σ	<sup>40</sup> Ar/ <sup>36</sup> Ar	CO <sub>2</sub> / <sup>3</sup> He	(mol/g)	<b>0</b> C (‰)
			10-9	10 <sup>-13</sup>	10-18	10-16	10-13	10-16	10-15	10-13	10-9	10-10			10-4					10 <sup>8</sup>	10-8	
	Pavin's Grou Volcanoe	<u>ip of</u> <u>s</u>																				
	Montcineyre	Ol	6.44	20.3	19.3	3.63	13.4	5.17	2.80	5.11	5.89	5.23	5603	3.98	3.45	6.82	6.82	0.14	486	3.05		
	Montchal	Ol	1.61	12.0	11.1	18.2	16.4	9.32	5.14	1.22	1.16	4.14	657	9.82	10.3	6.63	6.63	0.16	325	1.05		
	Pavin	Am	3.84	11.6	10.5	32.2	4.63	2.49	1.32	0.72	3.28	5.48	361	16.17	3.54	6.49	6.50	0.18	356	3.12		
	Puy Beaur	<u>nit</u>																				
	Harzburgite	Ol	1.33	4.63	4.33	76.5	34.0	18.8	10.5	3.11	0.95	3.04	60	1.49	4.87	6.71	6.75	0.22	331	2.19		
		Opx	12.7	15.1	14.7	18.8	23.4	4.37	2.38	16.4	11.7	9.76	802	0.92	1.29	7.00	7.00	0.18	1001	7.91	1.06	-5.8
	Lherzolite	OI O	2.33	7.37	6.81	46.1	26.9	9.68	5.41	10.9	1.06	12.3	160	0.67	6.94	6.62	6.63	0.32	507	1.56	10.2	•
		Opx	138	35	33	50	130	8.79	4.83	116	135	34.4	705	0.30	0.26	6.84	6.84	0.16	2735	40.4	10.3	-2.9
1241 1242 1243	Table	e <b>3.</b> An	alysis	of gas	abunda	ance, no	oble ga	ses, and	l carbo	n isotoj	ρy (δ <sup>13</sup>	<sup>3</sup> C) of	CO <sub>2</sub> releas	ed by cryst	al crushing	g. Ol: o	livine. A	.m: am	iphibole. O	px: orthop	byroxene.	
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Lac Pavin -70m	296.2	0.06	0.1880	0.0001	10.7	6.55	6.72	0.04		1.31E+09	8.09E-05	0.8
Lac Pavin -90m	296.0	0.05	0.1882	0.0001	4.1	6.02	6.45	0.04		2.07E+09	5.34E-05	-2.8
Escarot	407.2	0.13	0.1862	0.0003	921	6.07	6.07	0.03	1.73	5.25E+09	2.24E-05	-3.4

**Table 4.** Analysis of noble gases and carbon isotopy ( $\delta^{13}$ C) of CO<sub>2</sub> in natural gas emissions in the area of study (see Fig. 1).

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		Lherzolite			
	FI1	FI2	FI3	FIa	
			CO2 Carbonate Sulphide Sulphate Hematite		
Measured CO <sub>2</sub> density					
$\rho$ (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	0.88	0.92	1.00	0.14	
Volume					
Spherical Volume (µm <sup>3</sup> ) Max. Error on Volume (µm <sup>3</sup> )	825 41	332 15	22	17 3	
Volumetric distribution	n of the phases				
CO <sub>2</sub> (%volume)	86	86	100	79	
Carbonate (%volume)	10	11	-	6	
Sulphide (%volume)	2	3	-	-	
Sulphate (%volume)	-	-	-	15	
Hematite (%volume)	2	-	-	-	
Mass of CO <sub>2</sub> and carbo	onates				
CO <sub>2</sub> (g) Carbonate (g)	(5.94-6.56)E-10 (1.15-1.32)E-10	(2.52-2.76)E-10 (5.08-5.80)E-11	2.24E-11 -	(1.43-2.26)E-12 (1.01-1.87)E-12	
Recalculated initial CO	2 density				
ho(Initial CO <sub>2</sub> ) (g/cm <sup>3</sup> ) $\sigma$ (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	1.06 0.09	1.12 0.07	1.00	0.26 0.09	

#### 1289 **Supplementary material**

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