

**MELTING OF LAMPROPHYLLITE GROUP MINERALS:
MELTING TEMPERATURE DEPENDENCE FROM COMPOSITION
AND ELEMENT PARTITION BETWEEN LAMPROPHYLLITE AND MELT**

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Lamprophyllite group minerals are important accessories in agpaitic derivatives of alkaline massifs. The composition variations make them perspective for tipomorphyc study. But experimental data about they stability generally absent. The results for lamprophyllite-nepheline diagram are summered in another article in this volume [1]. The present paper is focused on the element behavior at the lamprophyllite crystallization processes.

We execute number of experiments to study their stability at high temperatures.

Starting materials were samples of natural lamprophyllite and barytolamprophyllite from Malou-runsky, Lovozero and Khibina massifs (Russia), silica and synthetic nepheline NaAlSiO₄ glass. The charges composition is in table 1.

All experiments were carried out in platinum capsules by a cooling method. The duration was 5 - 360 hours. After experiments we studied material in immersion preparations and by electron micro-probe analyse.

Table 1

Composition of charges, used in experiments

Шихта	Lam	Ne	X-Lam	M-Lam	13Lam:2Q	7Lam:1Ne	15Lam:8 Ne
SiO ₂	31.78	42.30	33.32	29.72	40.42	32.79	34.76
TiO ₂	29.49		23.99	28.55	25.76	26.66	21.12
Al ₂ O ₃	0.17	35.89	0.24	0.23	0.14	3.59	10.30
FeO	2.15		4.33	3.26	1.88	1.94	1.54
MnO	4.02		0.89	2.23	3.51	3.64	2.88
MgO	0.63		1.14	0.39	0.55	0.57	0.45
CaO	0.87		1.09	1.29	0.76	0.79	0.63
SrO	15.05		6.42	6.57	13.15	13.61	10.78
BaO	1.05		13.88	16.15	0.91	0.94	0.75
Na ₂ O	12.07	21.82	10.87	8.60	10.54	13.00	14.83
K ₂ O	0.49		1.40	2.48	0.43	0.44	0.35
Nb ₂ O ₅	0.21		0.12	0.07	0.18	0.19	0.15
F	2.05		2.50	1.04	1.79	1.86	1.47
Сумма	100.03		100.19	100.58			

We found that in all composition range lamprophyllite minerals melt incongruently. Sr-lamprophyllites melting temperature is 860-870°C. Melting of lamprophyllite leads to formation of melt, nonstoichiometric tausonite ((Sr_{1-x}Na_x)TiO_{3-x/2}), rutile (TiO₂) and freudenbergite (Na₂Fe₂·_xTi_{6+x}O₁₆) [1]. Ba-rich compositions melt at the lower temperature (see fig.1). There are melt, tausonite, titanate of iron and barium and two titanosilicates of strontium and barium among the products of their melting. One of the last may be close to the labuntsovite group minerals.

Correspondence between composition of lamprophyllite and melt is cited on the fig. 2. The Dawson's data for lamprophyllite and glass from Oldcombeite nephelenite (in black squares) are on the same figure. It shows the good conformations between natural and experimental data.

The slope of the regression lines may be interpreted as estimation of partition coefficients between lamprophyllite and melt.

The coefficients show that lamprophyllite is poorer in potassium and iron than melt and richer in magnesium. The Ba/Sr ratio in lamprophyllite is less than in melt. It is in accordance with melting

temperature dependence on lamprophyllite composition and with usual in nature direction of lamprophyllite compositions evolution: from lamprophyllite to barytolamprophyllite.

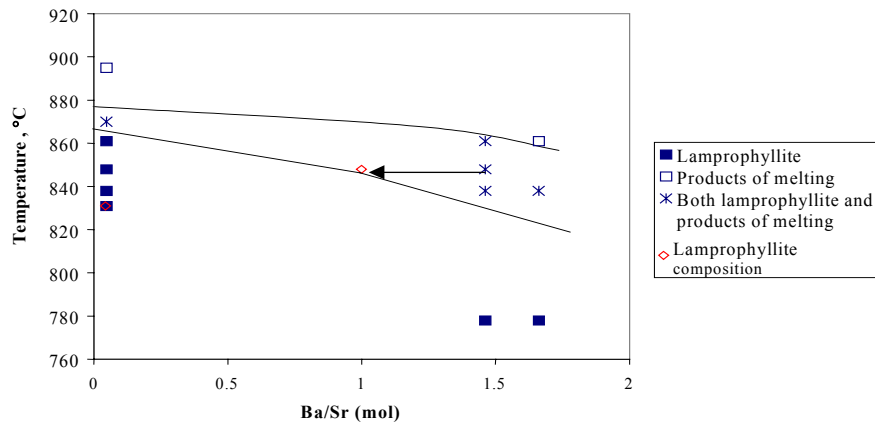


Fig. 1. Lamprophyllite melting temperature dependence from lamprophyllite composition

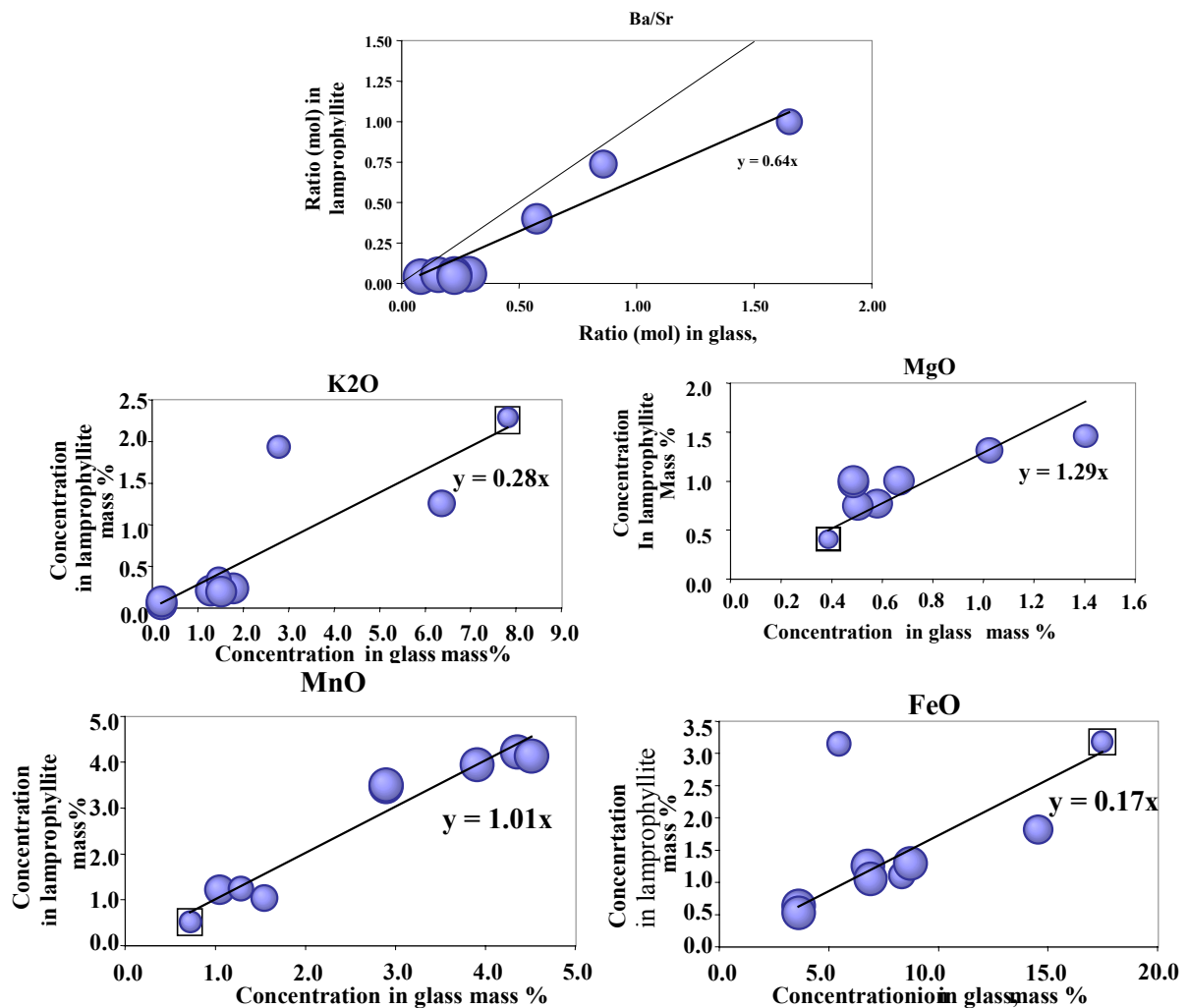


Fig. 2. Dependence between lamprophyllite and glass composition. Size of ball show Sr/Ba ratio in lamprophyllite. In the black squares the data for Oldonio Lengai [2].

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