

1 **The space-time architecture variation of the shallow magmatic plumbing systems**
2 **feeding the Campi Flegrei and Ischia volcanoes (Southern Italy) from halogen**
3 **constraints**

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24 **Abstract**

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26 For active volcanoes, knowledge of the architecture of the plumbing system and the
27 conditions of magma storage prior to an eruption are highly important given their influence
28 on the eruptive style and thus the management of future volcanic crises. Here chlorine is
29 used as a geobarometer for potassic alkaline magmas at the Campi Flegrei volcanic
30 complex, revealing the shallowest depth of fluid-melt equilibration with respect to Cl. The
31 results for representative fallout deposits of selected explosive eruptions show the existence
32 of a multi-depth equilibration zone through time, including shallow magma storage. We
33 describe evidence for the shallowest zone located at a depth equivalent to 65 MPa for the
34 Agnano Monte Spina eruption (4,482–4,625 cal. yrs BP), at ~100 MPa for the Pomici
35 Principali (11,915–12,158 cal. yrs BP) and the Astroni 6 (4,098–4,297 cal. yrs BP)
36 eruptions, and close to 115 MPa for the last explosive eruption of Monte Nuovo (AD 1538).
37 For comparison, the pressure estimated for a possible reservoir feeding the Cretaio eruption
38 of Ischia island (AD 430), the only studied eruption on Ischia, is ~140 MPa. The pressure
39 estimates for the two largest magnitude eruptions, the Campanian Ignimbrite (39 ka) and the
40 Neapolitan Yellow Tuff (14.9 ka), are also discussed with respect to available magma
41 withdrawal models. The pressures estimated using the Cl geobarometer for the magma
42 leading to the fallout phases of these two eruptions provide evidence for a low-volume
43 shallow domain (~40 MPa) for the Plinian phase of the Campanian Ignimbrite eruption and
44 a main, deeper reservoir (~130–165 MPa) for the Neapolitan Yellow Tuff eruption. The
45 inferred shallowest equilibration pressures are interpreted here as corresponding to
46 transitory, short-lived magma apophyses whose eruption may have been facilitated by
47 optimum tectonic stresses, rheological behavior of the crust and efficiency of volatile
48 exsolution. Alternatively, these magma apophyses may represent an evolved, crystal-rich

49 ponded magma into which a volatile-rich magma ascending from depth was injected. The
50 transient nature of such very shallow reservoirs is suggested by the short timescales inferred
51 from diffusion modelling on crystals available in the literature for the studied Campi Flegrei
52 eruptions.

53 The influence of sulfur (S) on Cl solubility is assessed through Cl solubility modelling
54 and applied to different eruptions. In addition, the pressure at which magmatic fluids and
55 melts equilibrated with respect to Cl is shallower for the Campi Flegrei volcanic complex
56 than the Somma-Vesuvio volcanic complex, erupting more homogeneous differentiated
57 magma, of trachytic or phonolitic composition. This approach of using Cl to investigate the
58 architecture of the plumbing system can be extended to all alkali-rich magma systems.

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60 **Highlights**

- 61 • H1: Cl acts as a geobarometer for alkaline magmas emitted at Campi Flegrei and Ischia
- 62 • H2: contrasted architecture and dynamics of magma plumbing system of ignimbritic
63 eruptions compared to other eruptions
- 64 • H3: the H-C-O-S-Cl-F system has to be considered when discussing volatile behavior

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66 **Keywords**

67 Campi Flegrei, Ischia, Chlorine, geobarometer, alkaline magmas, pre-eruptive conditions

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70 **1. Introduction**

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72 The chemical and physical characteristics of erupted magmas result from a combination of
73 processes occurring at depth in the crust, during both magma storage and ascent. The
74 shallow crustal reservoirs of a given magmatic system are thus key environments as their
75 characteristics constrain both the composition of the extruded magma and the style of the
76 eruption (Bower and Woods, 1998; Andujar et Scaillet, 2012; Bachmann and Huber, 2016;
77 Popa et al., 2019). Therefore, establishing their location, as well as the pre-eruptive magma
78 conditions, both chemical (e.g., composition, amount of volatiles, fluid saturation condition)
79 and physical (e.g., viscosity, density), is of primary importance (Goepfert and Gardner,
80 2010; Parmigiani et al., 2017; Edmonds and Woods, 2018; Huber et al., 2019; Popa et al.,
81 2021a, b;)

82 The general concept of the dynamic architecture of the magma plumbing system has
83 undergone revision recently (Cashman et al., 2017; Bachmann and Huber, 2016; Magee et
84 al., 2018). The crustal plumbing system results from the degree of connection between
85 multi-depth transient batches of magma of variable composition. Their location, shape and
86 magma storage conditions can be assessed by different means. Geophysical surveys (mostly
87 seismic reflection) provide useful information on the location and shape of existing
88 reservoirs (Pritchard and Gregg, 2016 and references therein). The petrology of volcanic
89 products provides a valuable tool for defining pre-eruptive conditions of the magmatic
90 reservoirs feeding past and ongoing events (Blundy and Cashman, 2008; Samaniego et al.,
91 2011; Gurioli et al., 2017; Berthod et al., 2021; Re, 2021; Pontesilli et al., 2023). This
92 includes melt inclusion (MI) chemistry (e.g., Wallace, 2005) and mineral-melt
93 thermobarometry, which provides constraints on the depth at which magmas formed,
94 stagnated and/or equilibrated in the lithosphere (e.g., Putirka, 2008, and references therein).

95 Experimental petrology also provides strong constraints on the prevailing conditions at
96 depth, using laboratory experiments to reproduce the P, T, fO_2 , and P_{H_2O} conditions that
97 prevailed during crystallization of the phase assemblage of the erupted products (e.g.,
98 [Scaillet et al., 2008](#)).

99 This article presents and discusses the results of a study based on the application of the Cl
100 geobarometer, and is aimed at improving current understanding on the evolution of the
101 magmatic systems feeding the volcanoes of the Phlegraean Volcanic District (PVD) in the
102 Neapolitan area of southern Italy ([Orsi et al., 1996a](#)). The collected data are also compared
103 with those available for the Somma-Vesuvio volcanic complex (SVVC) ([Balcone-Boissard](#)
104 [et al., 2016](#)).

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106 **2. Geological context and volcanological background**

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108 The PVD is located in the Campanian volcanic area and includes the Campi Flegrei (CF),
109 Ischia and Procida volcanic fields. Of these three volcanic fields, CF and Ischia are still
110 active and both are dominated by a resurgent caldera ([Orsi et al., 1996a, 2022](#); [Santacroce et](#)
111 [al., 2003](#); [Orsi, 2022](#); [Orsi et al., 2022](#); [Fig. 1 and SM1 in Supplementary Material](#)). The
112 PVD is located to the west of the SVVC, which is the third most active Neapolitan volcano
113 ([Fig. 1b](#)). This volcanic district is inhabited by more than 1.5 million people, making it one
114 of the highest risk volcanic areas on Earth (e.g., [Lirer et al. 2010](#); [Orsi et al., 2003](#);
115 [Bevilacqua et al., 2022](#); and references therein). Volcanism began here prior to 150 ka, and
116 has continued with several explosive, sometimes high-magnitude caldera-forming eruptions,
117 until historical times ([Orsi et al., 1996a, 2003](#); [Santacroce et al., 2003](#); [Orsi, 2022](#), [Orsi et al.,](#)
118 [2022](#)). Over the last few decades, the CF caldera has experienced several unrest episodes,
119 also known as bradyseismic crises, with significant ground uplift and subsidence, seismicity,

120 gravity changes and variations in geochemical parameters of gas and water effluents. De
121 Siena et al. (2010) suggested that a shallow magma batch was intruded to a depth of about 4
122 km during the 1982-84 unrest episode. The last and still ongoing of these unrests began in
123 late 2004/early 2005 ([Del Gaudio et al., 2010](#); [Ricco et al., 2019](#); [Chiodini et al., 2015, 2022](#);
124 [Scarpa et al., 2022](#), and references therein). There are various interpretations for the source
125 of these more recent unrest episodes (a comprehensive review can be found in [Bonafede et](#)
126 [al., 2022](#)). One interpretation of the 2012-2013 episode by [D'Auria et al. \(2015\)](#) involves the
127 intrusion of $\sim 0.004 \text{ km}^3$ of magma at shallow depth ($\sim 3 \text{ km}$). The authors believe that these
128 results can be extrapolated to other events that have occurred over the last 60 years,
129 probably reflecting a persistent shallow magma plumbing structure that has been repeatedly
130 refilled.

131 The PVD volcanism has been related to extensional processes affecting the Tyrrhenian
132 margin of the Southern Apennines since the Miocene, mainly through NW-SE normal and
133 subordinate NE-SW transverse faults ([Moretti et al., 2013b](#) and references therein). The CF,
134 Procida and Ischia volcanoes are NE-SW aligned. The CF and Ischia calderas developed at
135 the intersection of the two major regional fault systems where there is a dense, complex
136 network of tectonic and volcano-tectonic features. This structural setting has generated a
137 localized zone of particularly high permeability within the lithosphere, allowing ascent and
138 deep-to-shallow emplacement of volatile-bearing magma bodies (e.g. [Arienzo et al., 2016](#)).

139 The magmas erupted at the PVD belong to a mildly K-enriched alkaline series ($\text{Na}_2\text{O} - 2$
140 $\leq \text{K}_2\text{O}$). Those of the Procida volcanic field are the least evolved, being mostly trachybasalt
141 and shoshonite ([D'Antonio et al., 2007](#)), while the magmas erupted at the CF and Ischia
142 volcanic fields have undergone complex magmatic evolution. The latter evolved from
143 shoshonite through to trachyte or phonolite, and were affected by open-system evolution
144 processes, such as mingling/mixing and crustal contamination, during periods of stagnation

145 at variable depths during their ascent towards the surface (e.g., Orsi et al., 1995; Civetta et
146 al., 1997; Signorelli et al., 1999; Pappalardo et al., 2002; Piochi et al., 2005; D'Antonio et
147 al., 2007, 2022; Pabst et al., 2008; Tonarini et al., 2009; Arienzo et al., 2010, 2011, 2016;
148 Pappalardo and Mastrolorenzo, 2012; Moretti et al., 2013; Fedele et al., 2016; Fedele, 2022).
149 A combination of geophysical and petrological data highlights the existence of two main
150 magma storage zones. The deeper zone is located at more than 8 km in depth (Zollo et al.,
151 2008; Mangiacapra et al., 2008; Arienzo et al., 2016) whereas the shallower one is at ~ 4 km
152 (De Siena et al., 2017; Arienzo et al., 2010; Voloschina et al., 2021).

153 Major- and trace-element data indicate that the Procida primitive K-basalts have a
154 subduction-related isotopic signature, whereas all other PVD and Mount Somma-Vesuvio
155 deposits also reveal a history of different magmatic processes that occurred in their
156 plumbing systems (e.g., Tonarini et al., 2004; D'Antonio et al., 2007; Di Renzo et al., 2011).

157 Below is a brief description of the eruptions explored in this study and the volcanoes
158 from which they erupted (see SM 1 for details).

159 • *The catastrophic caldera-forming eruptions of the CF volcanic field.* The eruptive
160 and deformation history of the CF volcanic field is dominated by the Campanian
161 Ignimbrite (CI; ~39 ka, Giaccio et al., 2017) and the Neapolitan Yellow Tuff (NYT;
162 ~15 ka, Deino et al., 2004) caldera-forming eruptions (Orsi et al., 1996a). The CI
163 eruption extruded ~300 km³ of magma Dense Rock Equivalent (DRE) (Fedele et al.,
164 2003), and comprises a complex event marked by an early Plinian phase that created
165 a fallout deposit followed by the generation of voluminous pyroclastic density
166 currents (PDCs) (Fisher et al., 1993; Rosi et al., 1999; Fedele et al., 2016; Moretti et
167 al., 2019). The NYT eruption, the largest known trachytic phreato-Plinian event,
168 extruded more than 40 km³ of magma DRE (Orsi et al., 1992a, 1995; Wohletz et al.,
169 1995). The caldera related to this eruption has been the site of intense volcanism and

170 deformation since its formation and is currently the active portion of the CF caldera
171 ([Orsi et al., 1996a](#); [Capuano et al., 2013](#)).

172 • *The explosive eruptions of the post-NYT caldera.* Post-NYT volcanism has involved
173 more than 70 eruptions within the NYT caldera, grouped into three periods of
174 activity ([Di Vito et al., 1999](#); [Orsi et al., 2004, 2009](#); [Smith et al., 2011](#)). They are
175 mostly phreatomagmatic eruptions, with some Plinian eruptions. The products of the
176 magmatic Plinian phases (hereafter referred to ‘explosive eruptions’) of selected
177 explosive events have been used for this study. The eruptions are Pomici Principali
178 (PP; [Fig. 1](#); 11,915 - 12,158 cal. yrs BP; 0.64 km³ of erupted magma DRE), Agnano-
179 Monte Spina (A-MS; [Fig. 1](#); 4,482 - 4,625 cal. yrs BP; 0.85 km³ of erupted magma
180 DRE), Astroni 6 (As6; [Fig. 1](#); 4,098 - 4,297 cal. yrs BP; 0.23 km³ of magma DRE).
181 Products from the Monte Nuovo (MN; [Fig. 1](#); [AD 1538](#); about 0.03 km³ of magma
182 DRE), the last and only historical eruption of the CF caldera, which occurred after
183 about 3.5 ka of quiescence ([Orsi et al., 2009](#)), have also been analyzed.

184 • *Ischia volcanic field.* Volcanism at the island of Ischia began more than 150 ka BP.
185 The eruptive and deformation history of the volcanic field has been deeply
186 influenced by the high magnitude, caldera-forming Monte Epomeo Green Tuff
187 eruption (~55 ka) ([Vezzoli 1988](#); [Orsi et al., 1991](#); [Brown et al., 2008, 2014](#)), during
188 which a deep magma plumbing system developed ([Moretti et al., 2013](#)). The Cretaio
189 Tephra (CT; [Fig. 1](#); AD 430 cal. Age) extruded <0.02 km³ of magma DRE and
190 represents the highest magnitude eruption on the island in the last 10 ka ([Orsi et al.,](#)
191 [1992b, 1996b](#)).

192 • *Procida.* The volcanic field of the island of Procida is located between the CF and
193 the island of Ischia volcanic fields ([Fig. 1b](#)) and includes five monogenetic
194 volcanoes. The erupted magmas of intermediate composition indicate that shallow

195 crustal magma chamber conditions were not established ([De Astis et al., 2004](#);
196 [Mormone et al., 2011](#); [Esposito et al., 2018](#)). The last eruption formed the Solchiaro
197 tuff ring ($23,624 \pm 330$ cal. yrs BP; [Morabito et al., 2014](#)) and was fed by the most
198 primitive magma ever erupted at both PVD and SVVC ([D'Antonio et al., 2007](#)).

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200 **3. Materials and Methods**

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202 The details of the materials and methods are provided in the Supplementary Material
203 section ([SM2](#)). For the explosive eruptions, we analyzed pumice clasts from the earliest
204 magmatic Plinian phase. However, for the CI caldera-forming eruptions, we also analyzed
205 pumice clasts from the different PDC units.

206 Here, we provide details on the Cl geobarometer tool. Chlorine is a recognized
207 geobarometer for alkaline magmas, providing estimates of the pressure of magma storage in
208 shallow crustal reservoirs ([Lowenstern, 1994](#); [Balcone-Boissard et al., 2016](#)). For fluid-
209 saturated silicate melts, Cl preferentially partitions into the fluid phase rather than the melt,
210 as shown by the pioneering work of [Signorelli and Carroll \(2000, 2002\)](#). At shallow depths
211 (i.e., less than 210 MPa pressure equivalent at 1,000 °C; [Anderko & Pitzer, 1993](#); [Driesner
212 and Heinrich, 2007](#)), the components of the silicate melt-NaCl-H₂O pseudo-system are
213 immiscible ([Fig. 2a](#)). The exsolved fluid phases include a H₂O-rich vapor phase and a Cl-
214 rich brine. The composition and stability of the two-phase fluid depends on the silicate melt
215 composition, temperature and pressure ([Fig. 2a](#)). This non-ideal fluid behavior is expressed
216 by the Cl concentration in the silicate melt that is invariant or buffered when both vapor
217 phase and brine are present, described by the Gibb's phase rule. The buffering effect on the
218 Cl concentration in an alkaline silicate melt indicates an equilibrium between the melt and a

219 two-phase fluid in the reservoir, at subsolvus conditions (Fig. 2a, b). At higher pressure, the
220 silicate melt is in equilibrium with a vapor phase alone. In some magmas, Cl-bearing
221 minerals such as apatite or feldspathoids, if present in sufficient quantity, could also be
222 responsible for a Cl-buffering effect. Hereafter we refer to the Cl concentration resulting
223 from such a buffering effect as the “Cl buffer value”.

224 In this study, the Cl concentration in the residual glass (RG) has been measured for
225 representative pumice clasts from each sampled fallout layer. Clast selection was based on
226 the density measurements of a minimum of 100 pumice clasts per eruptive unit (Fig. 2b;
227 Supplementary material SM3). Depending on the density distribution, the number of
228 selected clasts was adjusted, totaling 3 to 7. Some coexisting MIs were also analyzed to fully
229 describe the fluid saturation conditions of the magma: some MIs may have been entrapped
230 before the buffering effect on Cl, when Cl was still demonstrating incompatible behavior
231 (Balcone-Boissard et al., 2016). The presence of both vapor and brine led to the Cl-buffering
232 effect on the silicate melt that is clearly preserved as residual glass of the eruptive products
233 (Fig. 2b).

234 It is important to bear in mind that magma ascent may cause volatile degassing that may
235 lead to micro-crystallization of the silicate melt. As rapid magma ascent may inhibit Cl
236 partitioning into bubbles due to its low diffusivity in such differentiated melts, Cl may
237 exhibit non-volatile behavior, leading to an increase in the Cl content by mass balance
238 (Balcone-Boissard et al., 2009; Feisel et al., 2023). Thus, the Cl buffer value needs to be
239 corrected for this degassing-induced crystallization effect (Tables 1, 2b Supplementary
240 Material, SM3). The correction involves a manual decrease of the Cl buffer value by the
241 percentage of degassing-induced microlites (which increases the Cl content through the
242 mass balance effect), assuming that no Cl partitions into the microlites. The corrected Cl

243 buffer value for the degassing-induced microlite content, if deemed necessary after textural
244 investigations, is then representative of the reservoir conditions prior to eruption.

245 The challenge is then to convert the determined Cl buffer value into a pressure, namely
246 the pressure of the last magma equilibration zone before eruption. For that purpose, there are
247 two possibilities: i. using an experimentally determined Cl solubility law, where one exists
248 for the studied sample composition, or ii. using a modelled Cl solubility law as developed by
249 [Webster et al. \(2015\)](#). Most of the experimental determinations of Cl solubility use natural
250 pumice clasts as starting material ([Signorelli and Carroll, 2000, 2002](#)). Each experimental Cl
251 solubility law directly corresponds to a specific magma composition represented by a
252 residual glass, and the application of the compositionally appropriate solubility law allows
253 one to determine the pressure of equilibration of the magma based on the Cl buffer value, at
254 a given temperature ([Fig. 2c](#)). The storage conditions of magmas with compositions for
255 which the Cl solubility law has not been experimentally determined can still be defined from
256 the Cl concentration in residual glass, using the Cl solubility model developed by Webster
257 and collaborators ([Webster et al., 2015](#)). This model expresses the influence of each major
258 and minor element (e.g., Si, Ti, Al, Mn, Fe, Mg, Ca, Na, K, and F) on Cl solubility through
259 experimentally determined association coefficients. This approach takes into account the
260 initial silicate melt composition and any associated changes in composition due to fractional
261 crystallization, including subtle changes in melt composition. However, the results of recent
262 experiments on both Cl solubility and Cl behavior in natural samples point out the more
263 general role of S in the H-C-O-S-F-Cl system and how well this system describes the
264 volatile behavior in alkali silicate melts ([Webster et al., 2015](#)). In particular oxidized S,
265 when present, may substantially reduce the solubility of Cl in silicate melts at oxidizing
266 conditions by modifying the extent to which it dissolves ([Beermann et al., 2015](#);
267 [Botcharnikov et al., 2004](#); [Webster et al., 2015, 2014](#)). Therefore, the Cl concentration

268 calculated using the model for a studied bulk melt composition, may also have to be
269 corrected for the effect of oxidized S by reducing the modelled Cl solubility value by 30-
270 40% relative (Webster et al., 2015, 2014). This effect can lead to underestimations of the
271 storage pressure.

272 As discussed here, the presence of S has not yet been fully incorporated into the Cl
273 solubility model (Webster et al., 2015), and this issue may introduce a bias between the
274 pressure determined using this model versus that estimated with the compositionally
275 relevant experimental Cl solubility law. When all parameters influencing Cl solubility in
276 silicate melt are taken into consideration, application of both the Cl experimental solubility
277 law and the Cl solubility model should give similar pressure estimates.

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279 **4. Results**

280 **4.1. Texture: phenocryst content and residual glass microcrystallinity**

281 The different textures of the studied pumice clasts are best illustrated by the Back-Scattered
282 Electron images (BSE; SM3 in Supplementary Material). The residual glass in the clasts has
283 no visible sign of alteration. The pumice clasts of the CI fallout sequence are characterized
284 by having few phenocrysts (<5 vol%; Signorelli et al., 1999) and a low microcrystallinity,
285 while those of the NYT samples exhibit an even lower concentration of phenocrysts (<3
286 vol%; Orsi et al., 1995) and microlites in the groundmass. The products of magmatic Plinian
287 phases of the explosive eruptions contain < 3 vol% phenocrysts, apart from those of the A-
288 MS which are more porphyritic (5 – 10 vol%). Pumice clasts of the PP, A-MS and AS-6
289 eruption sequences display a microlite-free groundmass, and those of the AS-6 typically
290 contain alternating highly and poorly vesiculated bands (Tonarini et al., 2009). CT pumice
291 clasts (<5 vol% phenocrysts) contain vesicles with thin glassy walls with no microlites. MN

292 pumice samples, in contrast, have a high microlite content (~30 vol%; [Piochi et al., 2005](#))
293 that is mostly composed of feldspars.

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296 **4.2. Residual glass composition: major elements and volatile (S and halogens - Cl, F)** 297 **contents**

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299 The residual glass compositions of the analyzed pumice erupted at Campi Flegrei and Ischia
300 display SiO₂ contents of between 57 and 63 wt% and alkali (Na₂O+K₂O) contents of
301 between 11 and 15 wt%. Residual glass is thus either trachytic (A-MS, CT), or phonolitic
302 (MN), or lies astride both compositions (PP, As6) ([Fig. 3](#) and [Tables 1, 2 in Supplementary](#)
303 [Material](#)). The residual glass of the samples of the Solchiaro eruption sequence displays a
304 homogenous shoshonitic composition (e.g., 50.6-51.2 wt% SiO₂, 7.6-8.0 wt% Na₂O + K₂O,
305 and 7.4-7.6 wt% CaO) ([Fig. 3b, Table 1 in Supplementary Material](#)). Within each eruption,
306 the Cl content of the residual glass is constant, whereas F varies significantly (NYT: F =
307 0.19-0.28 wt%, Cl = 0.58 ± 0.02 wt%; PP: F = 0.18-0.29 wt%, Cl = 0.68 ± 0.02 wt%; A-
308 MS: F = 0.24-0.41 wt%, Cl = 0.78± 0.03 wt%; As6: F = 0.19-0.25 wt%; Cl: 0.68 ± 0.02
309 wt%; MN: F = 0.50-0.60 wt%, Cl = 0.66± 0.02 wt%; CT: F = 0.19-0.36 wt%, Cl = 0.55 ±
310 0.01 wt%) ([Fig. 4](#)). The Cl fallout deposits have similar F contents (0.35-0.46 wt%)
311 throughout, and Cl values that vary with stratigraphic height (base: 0.90 ± 0.02 wt%;
312 middle: 0.84 ± 0.01 wt%; top: 0.78 ± 0.02 wt%) ([Fig. 5](#)). Pumice samples collected from the
313 voluminous, stratigraphically overlying PDC deposits show large variations in Cl
314 concentrations (from 0.01 up to ~1 wt%) ([Supplementary Material SM4](#)). For six of the
315 investigated eruptions (CI, NYT, PP, As6, MN, and CT), S has also been measured ([Fig. 6](#)).
316 The RESIDUAL GLASS shows S contents below the detection limit (80 ppm) for CT and

317 MN and mean S up to 500 ± 126 ppm for NYT, 104 ± 14 ppm for CI and less than $\sim 300 \pm$
318 65 ppm for both PP and As-6. For Solchiaro, F and Cl contents span restricted ranges of
319 0.09 - 0.15 wt% and 0.17-0.18 wt%, respectively ([Table 1 in Supplementary Material](#)),
320 while S has not been measured.

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322 **4.3. Melt inclusion (MI) composition: major elements and volatile (S and halogens - Cl,** 323 **F) contents**

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325 S contents of some melt inclusions in crystals from the CI (pyroxenes), NYT (magnetites)
326 and CT (magnetites) have been analyzed. The MIs trapped in magnetite from the NYT show
327 the highest S concentration (603 ± 30 ppm). Those from the CT feldspars extracted from the
328 whole eruption sequence display an S content (250 ± 40 ppm) similar to the mean value for
329 CI (252 ± 64 ppm). The presence of anhedral iron sulphide in CT and NYT eruptions, 10 to
330 $50 \mu\text{m}$ in diameter, trapped in magnetite and containing 33.7 ± 1.5 wt% of S, indicates a
331 high S concentration in the melt that precipitates out into sulphides ([Table 2a in](#)
332 [Supplementary Material](#)).

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334 **5. Discussion**

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336 **5.1 Volatile (halogen, S) content of the melts feeding the investigated eruptions**

337 Halogen (F and Cl) and S contents in both residual glass and melt inclusions have rarely
338 been reported in the literature ([Arienzo et al., 2010, 2016](#); [Fourmentraux et al., 2012](#);
339 [Moretti et al., 2013](#); [Balcone-Boissard et al., 2016](#); [D'Augustin et al., 2020](#)). The available F
340 and Cl contents detected in both residual glass and melt inclusions of the A-MS samples
341 support the use of Cl as a geobarometer on the basis of the model developed for the SVVC

342 magmas (Fig. 2; Balcone-Boissard et al., 2016). The NYT and CI pre-eruption melts trapped
343 in melt inclusions show the highest S concentration of all the studied eruptions, as well as
344 the largest difference between pre-eruption and post-eruption contents. The CT pumice
345 clasts have moderate S contents in the melt inclusions (250 ± 40 ppm) and completely
346 degassed residual glass (below the detection limit of 80 ppm), although the presence of iron
347 sulphide blebs (33.7 ± 1.5 wt% of S) suggests a higher S concentration. The S content is low
348 ($\sim 170 \pm 65$ ppm) in the residual glass of the PP and As-6 samples, and below the detection
349 limit in the residual glass of MN (no melt inclusion data have been acquired for PP, As-6
350 and MN samples).

351 The F (0.09 - 0.15 wt%) and Cl (0.17 - 0.18 wt%) contents of the Solchiaro basic residual
352 glass (Table 1 in Supplementary Material) are lower than those of the other studied
353 eruptions, although they are in accordance with the less differentiated composition of the
354 glass. They are lower than the measured volatile content in melt inclusions in olivines, with
355 F up to 0.2 wt%, Cl up to 0.45 wt%, and S of 0.17 wt% (Esposito et al., 2011). It is hard to
356 compare residual glass and melt inclusion data from literature as the detailed study on MI
357 span a large range of volatile contents, resulting in melt entrapment under volatile saturation
358 at different depths and times in the magma plumbing system. Here, we consider Solchiaro
359 magma as an adequate parental end-member of the PVD (Mormone et al., 2011): the
360 measured residual glass composition can thus be interpreted as being the volatile content for
361 a step of fractional crystallization of a fluid-undersaturated magma (Fig. 2b; Balcone-
362 Boissard et al., 2016).

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364 **5.2 Cl buffer value, S effect and magma equilibrium pressure**

365 *5.2.1 Cl buffer value*

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367 The growth of Cl-bearing minerals in a silicate melt is one of the possible processes that can
368 buffer the Cl concentration of the residual glass. However, the investigated pumice clasts do
369 not contain Cl-rich phenocrysts or microlites, and the residual glass is not highly
370 microcrystalline, apart from in samples from the MN eruption. The Cl-rich mineral phases
371 found at Campi Flegrei are sodalite, fluorite, apatite and biotite; but they occur as rare
372 microlites, even in the highly crystallized residual glass of the later phase products of the
373 MN eruption (Melluso et al., 2012; Arzilli et al., 2016). Sodalite occurs in a small quantity,
374 preventing it from affecting the Cl concentration in the residual glass. Therefore, the
375 constant Cl values do not represent a buffered melt value due to crystallization of a
376 condensed phase. Nevertheless, in the case of the highly microcrystalline residual glass of
377 MN, the melt composition may have been modified by degassing-induced crystallization:
378 we circumvent this effect on Cl solubility using the experimental Cl solubility law. We
379 applied a mass-balance correction to the Cl concentration of the MN samples, due to the
380 presence of 30% of feldspar microlites (Piochi et al., 2005; this work). For all the other
381 cases, the constant Cl value measured in the residual glass was assumed to be the Cl value
382 buffered by the fluid assemblage (vapor + brine).

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384 *5.2.2 The question of S in the PVD magmas*

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386 The geochemical and isotopic features of the PVD rocks erupted over the past 15 ka
387 differ from those erupted earlier. The detected differences have been partly attributed to an
388 increase in crustal contamination through time (Pappalardo et al., 2002; D'Antonio et al.,
389 2007; Di Renzo et al., 2011). Sulfur is an incompatible element for the major crystalline
390 phases, except for iron sulphide blebs occurring in magnetite, and its solubility is pressure-,
391 temperature- and oxygen fugacity-dependent (Carroll and Webster, 1994). CO₂ flushing via

392 fluids released from deeper parental magmas (Mangiacapra et al., 2008; Moretti et al.,
393 2013), rather than an unlikely contribution of the limestone bedrock (D'Antonio, 2011), can
394 decrease the H₂O content in the melt, and may allow for enhanced exsolution of S in the
395 melt (as the magma becomes less hydrous, its sulphide saturation will decrease and
396 potentially lead to the generation of an immiscible sulphide phase (Fortin et al., 2015)

397 Such exsolution processes may occur in the pre-eruptive magma of the NYT and later
398 explosive eruptions. Thus, using the Cl solubility model we have to take this into account
399 and manually introduce the effect of S on Cl solubility. Conversely, the S content of CI and
400 NYT is similar, supported by data from the literature and the climatic impact of CI (Fedele
401 et al., 2005, 2007). No S-effect correction using Cl modelling solubility is required to
402 explain the Cl signature of CI melts since the experimental Cl solubility law determined
403 using the CI composition wholly describes the volatile interactions, in particular the S effect
404 on Cl solubility.

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406 5.2.3. Magma storage pressure

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408 5.2.3.1 The magmatic Plinian phase of the explosive eruptions of Campi Flegrei and
409 Ischia volcanic fields

410 For the trachytic A-MS and CT and the phonolitic MN eruptions, the Cl solubility law
411 available for each of these compositions (Signorelli and Carroll, 2000, 2002) and the Cl
412 solubility model (Webster et al., 2015) with the S correction, yield the same magma storage
413 pressure : 65 ± 10 MPa and 140 ± 5 MPa for the trachytic A-MS and CT eruptions,
414 respectively (Fig. 7c), and 115 ± 10 MPa for the phonolitic MN one (Fig. 7d). For the As6
415 and PP eruptions, the magma pressure domain is the same, since they were fed by magmas
416 with the same composition and exhibit the same Cl buffer value (Figs. 3, 4). As the Cl

417 solubility curves for trachytic and K-phonolitic melts are close to one another, the pressure
418 domain is quite narrow, at between 95 and 110 MPa. The pressure values estimated using
419 the CI solubility model with the S correction are 90 and 110 MPa for As6 and PP,
420 respectively (Fig. 7c). Thus, both the CI solubility law and the solubility model methods
421 provide the same pressure estimates when the S correction is applied to the modelling (Fig.
422 8).

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425 5.2.3.2 Caldera-forming eruptions of CF

426 The samples of the basal fallout sequence of the CI display three different CI buffer
427 values, depending on their position in the stratigraphic sequence, hence on the timing of
428 magma withdrawal (base: 0.90 ± 0.02 wt%; middle: 0.84 ± 0.01 wt%, top: 0.78 ± 0.02 wt%,
429 Fig. 4b). These CI values, which are the highest found in the RESIDUAL GLASS of all the
430 analyzed pumice clasts of the PVD, decrease upwards through the sequence, with each
431 stratigraphic level clearly showing a specific CI buffer value. The CI solubility law has been
432 experimentally determined specifically for the CI composition (Signorelli and Carroll, 2002)
433 (Fig. 7a), making it possible to assess the magma equilibration pressure prior to the Plinian
434 phase. The trachytic magma body formed a shallow apex with its top at 30 ± 5 MPa. The
435 pressures are also recorded by the compositionally intermediate and poorly evolved CI
436 products (45 ± 5 MPa, and 65 ± 5 MPa, respectively). These differentially evolved magmas
437 generated the lowermost, the intermediate and the uppermost portions of the fallout
438 sequence, respectively (Fig. 7a). The same pressures have also been estimated using the CI
439 solubility model. It is worth stressing that the correspondence between the results of the two
440 methods can be only achieved without an S correction. The CI contents have also been
441 determined for a few samples from the PDC deposits of the CI eruption sequence. The large

442 variability of the obtained results is incompatible with a fluid-buffered effect and could
443 instead arise from degassing processes or scavenging of Cl by zeolites (Cappelletti et al.,
444 2003). Post-eruptive degassing processes are common in such voluminous deposits that
445 remain at high temperature for a long time after deposition. The magma corresponding to the
446 PDC phase may also inherit various geochemical signatures from a chemically and
447 isotopically distinct batch of magma that recharged sometime before eruption (Arienzo et
448 al., 2009).

449 For the NYT, the residual glass covers a large range of composition, straddling the phonolite
450 and trachyte fields (Fig. 3). Consequently, the pressure domain deduced from the residual
451 glass composition is large too, between 130 and 165 MPa, using the experimental Cl
452 solubility law determined for both the trachytic and phonolitic melts (Fig. 7b). Considering
453 the significant S content in the NYT magma, its influence on Cl solubility must be taken into
454 account (Fig. 6); therefore, a 35% relative correction of the Cl buffer value has been applied
455 using the Cl solubility model, yielding a pressure value of ~120-130 MPa, which is close to
456 the pressure domain estimated using the Cl solubility laws.

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458 **5.3 Architecture of the magmatic plumbing systems**

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460 The results for magma storage pressures can be discussed in the light of our current
461 knowledge of the magmatic feeding systems of Neapolitan volcanoes and their intimate
462 relationships with magma eruption dynamics (Fig. 9) (Arienzo et al., 2010, 2016; Moretti et
463 al., 2013; Astbury et al., 2018). The studied fallout deposits of the CI and NYT eruptions
464 account for a minor proportion of the entire eruptive sequences, thus representing only a
465 small portion of the total extruded magma. Those of the smaller volume explosive eruptions

466 (<1 km³ of magma; PP, AM-S, As6 and MN at Campi Flegrei and CT at Ischia), represent
467 variable and relatively large portions of the total emitted magmas.

468 For the magmatic Plinian phase of the CI, a low but progressively increasing pressure of
469 30 ± 5 to 65 ± 5 MPa has been obtained using both methods for establishing CI buffering
470 values. This applies to the stratigraphically lowermost portion of the CI eruption sequence
471 produced by the accumulation of products representative of the most evolved magma
472 equilibrating with CI at low pressure. This pressure range cannot be extrapolated to the
473 storage conditions of the total volume of magma extruded during the course of the entire
474 event since it is only relevant for the earliest extruded magma. Indeed, the huge ca. ~300
475 km³ volume of magma could not be stored at such a shallow depth. Conversely, this portion
476 may represent a shallow, resident magma later intercepted by the least evolved, ascending
477 CI magma (Di Salvo et al., 2020). Unfortunately, no pressure data have been obtained for
478 the poorly evolved CI melts (not erupted) that possibly differentiated at variable depths
479 during ascent from the deeper zone, located beneath 8 km depth, to the shallower one.
480 Moreover, no pressure data have been calculated for the PDC deposits as volatile (H₂O and
481 F, Cl) contents are dominated by post-deposition degassing processes and the growth of
482 zeolites (Cappelletti et al., 2003) which can entrap Cl. The very low-pressure values
483 obtained contrast with the high storage pressures that characterize the magma producing the
484 later PDCs (e.g. Moretti et al., 2019) but they do provide constraints on the architecture of
485 the shallowest equilibration zone of the magma plumbing system prior to the CI eruption.

486 The depth at which magma bodies form is controlled by volatile exsolution and crustal
487 rheology. At pressures > 250 MPa, the viscosity of the crust in long-lived magmatic
488 provinces is sufficiently low to inhibit most eruptions (Huber et al., 2019). Conversely,
489 magma chamber growth at lower pressure (<150 MPa) is inhibited due to a combination of
490 the exsolution of a volatile phase and high evacuation rates, and the crust being more

491 viscous and brittle. However, a long-lived system can accumulate magma and build up
492 reservoirs in the lower crust thanks to the long duration of intrusions (Karakas et al., 2017).
493 Such a modification to the lower crustal zone impacts the upper portion of the crust, by
494 modifying the thermal budget and thus reducing the flux of magma required to sustain a
495 shallow magma reservoir. Here it can be inferred that the upper crust was mechanically and
496 thermally able to relax, allowing the formation of shallower, less voluminous magma
497 bodies. Such low pressure magma bodies are only transient, and unable to grow to a
498 significant size, as they quickly erupt if recharged by fresh magma (Huber et al. 2019).

499 The greatest portion of the CI magma was likely stored at higher pressure than that of
500 the batch feeding the Plinian phase. The latter, with an estimated volume of $\sim 12 \text{ km}^3$, likely
501 formed a vertically extended apex at pressures of 30 to 65 MPa. In this situation, the upper
502 crust is able to host a growing magma body.

503 Our results are in accordance with the model proposed by Marianelli et al. (2006), based
504 on the volatile content of melt inclusions. The authors suggest a decompression event from
505 the deepest reservoir located at 150 MPa, down to 50 MPa, representing the upward
506 movement of the trachytic magma into the crust. This may correspond to the potentially
507 large, eruptible and long-lived magma bodies expected beneath volcanoes (Huber et al.,
508 2019). Fanara et al. (2015), based on volatile content of residual glass measured on natural
509 samples and estimated experimentally, also suggested a similar structure with two magma
510 reservoirs located at different levels: a deeper one at about 8 to 15 km and a shallower one at
511 1 to 8 km. The occurrence of a vertical apex of the magma chamber is justified by the strong
512 correlation between the pressure values estimated from the CI buffering effect and
513 stratigraphic heights of the analyzed samples. This apex would have been formed following
514 a possible pressure build-up of the reservoir, by a magma intrusion from the deeper part of
515 the system. This scenario can explain the unrest phases at CF which could be driven by

516 small portions of un-eruptible magma located at shallow depth (De Siena et al., 2010). There
517 are two main hypotheses to account for the shallow depth of the earliest erupted magma.
518 The first is linked to the tectonic setting of the PVD: the most evolved magma batch, located
519 at the top of the larger chamber with a mean depth of about 8 km, intruded a dense network
520 of fractures and faults that are related to the regional NE-SW and NW-SE structural systems.
521 The Plinian phase of the eruption was fed by a central vent formed in a discrete sector of this
522 vertically extensive, uppermost portion of the reservoir. These faults then controlled the
523 eruption-related collapse of the caldera (Orsi et al., 1996a; Moretti et al., 2013). The other
524 hypothesis is to consider the crustal magma plumbing system as being made of transient
525 portions of magma stored at different depths. The uppermost reservoirs, with the most
526 evolved trachytic magma, only correspond to a small part of the magma involved in the
527 Plinian phase, which was able to be recharged several times (Di Salvo et al., 2020). When
528 the eruption began, the decompression destabilized the magma stored within a larger
529 reservoir at greater depth, following a volatile saturation event or intrusion of a more mafic,
530 high-temperature magma (Arienzo et al., 2009, 2011; Di Salvo et al., 2020). The transient
531 nature of the shallowest magma found here is in accordance with the effects of crustal
532 rheology.

533 The NYT caldera-forming eruption extruded 40 km³ of magma. The pressure/depth of the
534 magma emitted during the Plinian events with trachytic-phonolitic compositions has been
535 evaluated using the two methods, giving a minimum pressure of 130 MPa for the top of the
536 reservoir. This location for the NYT magma reservoir is in agreement with the hypothesized
537 top of the reservoir at about 4 km determined by modelling of the thermal regime of the CF
538 magmatic system (Di Renzo et al., 2016).

539 The results for the residual glass of the A-MS eruption suggest a magma reservoir
540 located at a pressure of 65 MPa, perhaps inherited from the NYT eruption (de Vita et al.,

541 [1999](#)). This pressure value is slightly lower, implying a shallower depth, than that proposed
542 by Arienzo et al. ([2010](#)) based on melt inclusion geobarometry. These authors also showed
543 that two superimposed reservoirs were evacuated during the eruption and that deep CO₂-
544 flushing occurred. The CO₂ may have played a significant role by dehydrating the magma
545 and by modifying the H₂O-Cl equilibrium. Thus, the magma storage pressure might have
546 been higher than that deduced here from the Cl buffering effect.

547 The pressures of the magmatic reservoirs feeding the PP and As6 eruptions have been
548 estimated at similar values of 95-110 MPa, while the storage pressure for the magma feeding
549 the MN eruption has been estimated at 115 MPa using the Cl solubility method. This
550 estimate is similar to the value of 150 MPa defined by Piochi et al. ([2005](#)) on the basis of
551 geochemical modelling of H₂O solubility in magma (MELTS). Such a depth is in agreement
552 with the reconstruction made by Di Vito et al. ([2016](#)) based on the historical, archaeological
553 and geological record of the Campi Flegrei caldera. The authors estimated the surface
554 deformation preceding the Monte Nuovo eruption and investigated the shallow magma
555 transfer. Data suggest progressive magma accumulation in a source c.a. 5 km below the
556 caldera center, and its transfer to a depth of c.a. 4 km below Monte Nuovo.

557 The pressure of the storage zone of the magma feeding the CT eruption, the only event on
558 Ischia that has been studied here, is 140 MPa, a value that falls within those evaluated by
559 [Moretti et al. \(2013b\)](#). These authors suggested a composite plumbing system beneath Ischia
560 including magma storage zones located at various depths, the shallowest of which is at 100-
561 160 MPa.

562 The pressure estimates evaluated using the Cl barometer are extremely shallow,
563 compared to most previous estimates of magma storage depths in the CF region obtained
564 using other techniques (e.g., melt inclusions, geophysics). The results indicate the vapor-
565 melt equilibration of ephemeral magma ponding zones at shallow depth within a dynamic

566 magma plumbing system. Beyond the stable magma reservoir located below a depth of 8
567 km, multiple magma ponding zones may have transiently formed at shallower depths at least
568 during the past 10 – 15,000 years (Pabst et al., 2007).

569 In addition to the interpretations of the CF plumbing system discussed here (Fig. 9),
570 Fourmentraux et al. (2012) have published work on the volatile behavior of the magma
571 feeding the Averno 2 eruption (di Vito et al., 2011). They pointed out that two independent
572 batches of magma rose through vertical fractures at the periphery of the NYT caldera. In
573 particular, H₂O and Cl data indicate a storage pressure of 25 MPa for the shallowest and
574 most-differentiated erupted magma. This magma thus represents the shallowest depth of
575 those that have erupted over the past 15 ky at the CF, which probably formed just a short
576 time prior to eruption.

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578 **5.4. Pre-eruptive water contents**

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580 As a corollary to the pressure and depth constraints presented here for magmas feeding
581 the selected PVD eruptions, the maximum pre-eruptive H₂O content for these silicate melts
582 has also been estimated (Fig. 9). Such estimates can be performed if the H₂O solubility law
583 for the composition of the erupted magma is known. Water concentrations were estimated
584 using a H₂O solubility law for the composition of the melt corresponding to the pressure
585 deduced from the Cl-buffering effect (Fig. 9, 10). However, this approach ignores the
586 influence of other volatiles (mainly CO₂ and S) on H₂O solubility, as experimental H₂O
587 solubility laws do not generally take them into account. The obtained results suggest H₂O
588 contents of ~4 wt% for phonolitic (MN eruption), and between 1.5 and 6.5 wt% for trachytic
589 magmas. These represent maximum values, because the presence of CO₂ could depress the
590 amount of water dissolved in melt at saturation by lowering the solubility limit of water,

591 which would lead to Cl extraction from the melt (Botcharnikov et al., 2007). It is also
592 likely that there could be significant CO₂ fluxing through shallow magma chambers at PVD.
593 CO₂ fluxing closely linked to deep supercritical CO₂-rich fluids partly controls eruption
594 dynamics (Moretti et al., 2013; Moretti et al., 2019). This process, due to a decrease in H₂O
595 solubility induced by increasing CO₂ fugacity of the fluid phase, could also enhance volatile
596 saturation in the magma, increasing the amount of exsolved fluids. The minimum exsolved
597 H₂O content during magma ascent can be estimated using the H₂O content in melt
598 inclusions. In several cases, the H₂O contents measured in melt inclusions are consistent
599 with our estimates (Fig. 10). The water content determined for the A-MS eruption has values
600 of between 0.85 and 3.05 wt% (Arienzo et al., 2010), providing a relatively good match for
601 the value of 4 wt% obtained using the H₂O solubility law. For the CI eruption, H₂O contents
602 of 2 - 3 wt% were found for the shallow portion of the reservoir (Marianelli et al., 2006;
603 Moretti et al., 2019), in agreement with the value (1.5 - 2 wt%; Fig. 10) determined using
604 the solubility law. These data describe the H₂O content (from 0.83 ± 0.07 to 3.74 ± 0.06
605 wt%) for the trachytic magmas emitted during the CI eruption, as measured in melt
606 inclusions by Fanara et al. (2015).

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608 **5.5. Comparison with the eruptions of Somma-Vesuvio Volcanic Complex and other** 609 **alkali-rich systems**

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611 Previous researchers have highlighted a long-lived common pool of magma located at 8-
612 10 km depth beneath the Campanian volcanoes (Pappalardo and Mastrolorenzo, 2012; Zollo
613 et al., 2008) and the possibility of coupled deformation in recent times (uplift and
614 subsidence at PVD and SVVC are correlated; Walter et al., 2014). This link could be due to
615 a possible migration of magmatic fluids from depth: upward migration of magma causes

616 pressure changes within magma or hydrothermal fluid reservoirs, which causes ground
617 deformation that can be measured as displacement at the surface, as at both the PVD and
618 SVVC given that the two complexes are geographically close to each other (Gonnermann et
619 al., 2012; Freymuller et al., 2015). Several geochemical studies on melt inclusions have
620 demonstrated that magma storage occurred at depths of 3-5 km and 8-10 km (e.g., Scaillet et
621 al., 2008), with an upward migration of the magma chamber through time. Using the same
622 method as in the present work, Balcone-Boissard et al. (2016) highlighted two main magma
623 ponding zones at 180 - 200 MPa and 100 MPa, with a still shallower reservoir at less than 50
624 MPa feeding the most recent eruptions since AD 1822. This also correlates with a different
625 magma composition, with the shallowest and most recent eruptions displaying a
626 Strombolian eruptive style involving a less differentiated melt (tephritic). However, unlike
627 the PVD, no short-lived shallow magma apophyses have been identified at SVVC; the PVD
628 is mainly composed of a nested caldera with specific unrest signals.

629 The buffering effect on Cl is also found at other volcanic systems involving alkali-rich
630 rhyolitic magmas, such as Pantelleria (Green Tuff eruption) or the East African Rift
631 (Gedemsa and Corbetti volcanoes, Ethiopia; *unpublished data*). This shows that
632 geobarometric constraints can be calculated with Cl for differentiated alkali-rich magmas,
633 including not only trachyte or phonolite but also rhyolite, and occurring in various
634 geodynamic contexts.

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636 **6. Implications**

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638 One of the most important results of this work is that Cl can be used as a geobarometer
639 for alkaline magmas. The identified Cl buffering effect of fluid-melt interaction allows the
640 shallowest depth at which fluid-melt equilibrium occurs with respect to Cl to be calculated.

641 Secondly, these results have major implications for the architecture of the plumbing
642 system through time: the upper part of the plumbing system has varied in depth through time
643 (Fig 10), thus corroborating the hypothesis of a dynamic multi-depth plumbing system and
644 the idea that its architecture has been dictated by both the regional and local structural
645 setting, fluid saturation, and the thermal regime of the magmatic area. Such extremely
646 shallow, short-lived magma bodies in the upper crust will not necessarily lead to an
647 eruption if the feeder system from the deepest reservoir is not maintained, or if the injection
648 frequency is too low, in which case the magmas will cool fast and crystallize before
649 building up a magmatic reservoir of sufficient size to erupt.

650 This approach can be used for other volcanic systems fed by alkali-rich magmas. By
651 systematic application to past eruptions of a given volcanic center, it could provide useful
652 constraints on the architecture of polybaric plumbing systems, seen as being made up of a
653 several magma ponding zones through the entire crust.

654 Finally, this study also highlights the importance of studying the magmatic fluid phase as
655 a complex C-H-O-S-F-Cl system, with interactions and feedback between different fluid and
656 melt species.

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1013 **Figure captions**

1014 **Figure 1: Campi Flegrei – Eruptive History.** a) Schematic map of Italy. b) Location of the
1015 Neapolitan area: Campi Flegrei, Somma-Vesuvio volcanic complex, the islands of
1016 Ischia and Procida. Outcrop locations shown in grey for CI; brown for Solchiaro;
1017 yellow for NYT; green for PP; blue for A-MS; red for As6; orange for CT and purple
1018 for MN. c) Digital terrain model map of the Phlegraean Fields caldera. Major calderas
1019 areas (CI, NYT), the area of volcano-tectonic collapse (A-MS) and edifices (As6 and
1020 MN) are marked. Outcrop locations are shown for PP, A-MS, As6 and MN eruptions.
1021 d) Schematic chronogram of the studied eruptions. Arrows refer to explosive
1022 eruptions, and their length and color reflect the estimated VEI (Volcanic Explosivity
1023 Index from [Mastrolorenzo and Pappalardo, 2006](#)).

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1025 **Figure 2: Cl behavior and evidence of the buffering effect in silicate melt (melt**
1026 **inclusion and residual glass composition).** Example of A-MS eruption a) The H₂O-
1027 NaCl-silicate melt pseudo-system (redrawn at 1,000°C from [Driesner and Heinrich,](#)
1028 [2017](#)). Blue domain: the silicate melt is in equilibrium with two fluids: a vapor phase
1029 (H₂O and/or CO₂ and/or S-rich) and a brine (Cl rich). Within this subsolvus domain, at
1030 a fixed temperature, the Cl concentration in silicate melt is buffered. Orange domain:

1031 the silicate melt equilibrates with a single fluid phase (vapor or brine). b) Cl vs Na₂O
1032 (wt%) diagram. Solid dark line: the behavior of an incompatible non-volatile
1033 component from the most primitive composition considered for CF (Solchiaro
1034 eruption; [Esposito et al., 2011](#); black ellipse). Red triangles: MI data from the A-MS
1035 eruption ([Arienzo et al., 2010a](#)), and blue squares: the residual glass contents of the A-
1036 MS eruption (this study). c) Pressure estimate from the identified Cl buffer value (2b)
1037 using the experimental Cl solubility for the A-MS melt composition, a trachytic melt
1038 compositionally close to samples from the Campanian Ignimbrite for which the Cl
1039 solubility law (red dots and mean red line) exists. Purple line: pressure estimate from
1040 Cl buffer value with the associated uncertainty in dotted blue lines (from mean Cl
1041 value).

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1043 **Figure 3: Alkali-silica diagram for residual glass** ([Le Bas et al., 1986](#)) a) Residual glass
1044 composition for Campi Flegrei and Ischia. The EPMA data are from individual
1045 pumice clasts covering the whole specific density distribution for each eruptive layer
1046 ([Table 1 in Supplementary Material](#)). Each residual glass point represents a mean of at
1047 least 6 measurements. b) The same as figure (a) with data of the Solchiaro eruption
1048 (Procida).

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1050 **Figure 4: Halogen contents of residual glass.** Compositions of individual pumice clasts
1051 belonging to the density mode for each eruptive layer. Each residual glass point
1052 represents a mean of at least 6 EPMA point measurements ([see Tables in
1053 Supplementary Material](#)). The MN eruption data are corrected for microlite content
1054 (30%; [Piochi et al., 2005](#)). a) F versus CaO (wt%) variation diagram. F behaves as an
1055 incompatible element and can be used as a differentiation index. The least evolved

1056 composition of Solchiaro is excluded here for clarity as the mean CaO range is
1057 between 9 - 13.5 wt% for F contents between 1,500-2,000 ppm. b) Cl versus F (wt%)
1058 variation diagram.

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1060 **Figure 5: Relationship between the Cl buffering effect and stratigraphy for the CI**
1061 **fallout deposit at Acquafidia.** a) Stratigraphy of the CI fallout deposit. b) Variation
1062 diagram of Cl versus F (wt%) in glass. The 3 groups of eruptive units for the CI are
1063 identified by 3 shades of brown, from light brown for the first eruptive units (highest
1064 Cl buffer value) to dark brown (lowest Cl buffer value), corresponding to the
1065 stratigraphy of the fallout (5a).

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1067 **Figure 6: Sulfur (ppm) versus CaO (wt%) variation diagrams.** Matrix glass (squares)
1068 and Melt Inclusions (diamonds, when analyzed) are shown for CI, NYT, PP, As-6,
1069 MN and CT eruptions. Color scheme as in figure 3. The minimum S detection limit
1070 with EPMA is 80 ppm. Symbols represent single point measurements. The uncertainty
1071 is within the symbol size for CaO and 5% for S. Data are given in Supplementary
1072 Material Table 2.

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1074 **Figure 7: Cl buffering value and pressure estimates using the Cl experimental**
1075 **solubility law.** For each eruption, the selected Cl experimental solubility law has been
1076 redrawn and the pressure domain is given (solid line: Cl buffer value representing
1077 pressure; dashed lines: uncertainty on pressure estimates based on uncertainty on Cl
1078 buffer value). a) CI eruption with its own Cl experimental solubility curves (trachytic
1079 composition). b) For NYT, PP and As-6 eruptions, as the composition straddles the
1080 trachyte and phonolite fields the pressure domain can be bracketed by the respective

1081 solubility laws. c) A-MS and CT eruptions: the two available Cl experimental
1082 solubility curves for these trachytic composition are shown (red: Cl composition and
1083 green: Pomici di Base eruption (Somma-Vesuvio volcanic complex) from (Signorelli
1084 and Carroll, 2002). Blue: A-MS eruption, and orange: CT eruption pressure estimate.
1085 d) MN eruption: Cl experimental solubility curves for a K-phonolite of similar
1086 composition (AD 79 eruption of Somma-Vesuvio volcanic complex from [Signorelli
1087 and Carroll, 2000](#)).

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1089 **Figure 8: Cl buffering value and pressure estimates deduced from the Cl solubility**
1090 **model ([Webster et al., 2015](#)).** Solid symbols: blue circle: modelled residual glass with
1091 no S correction; yellow circles, modelled residual glass with S correction of 30-40%.
1092 a) As6 eruption: measured Cl experimental and modelled Cl solubility at 90 MPa. Red
1093 diamonds: measured residual glass. b) PP eruption: measured Cl experimental and
1094 modelled Cl solubility at 100 MPa. Green diamonds: measured residual glass.

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1096 **Figure 9: Pre-eruptive conditions: H₂O content estimates from Cl buffer values.**
1097 Experimental H₂O solubility laws for trachytic (green curve; [Di Matteo et al., 2004](#))
1098 and K-phonolite melts (orange curve; [Iacono Marziano et al., 2007](#)). Marks correspond
1099 to each determined pressure domain.

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1101 **Figure 10: Architecture of the shallow magma plumbing systems of Campi Flegrei and**
1102 **Ischia.** Vertical axis: Pressure is converted into depth using a lithostatic pressure
1103 gradient of 25 MPa/km. Rectangular box: pressure domain obtained using the Cl
1104 experimental solubility law. Star: pressure obtained by the Cl solubility model. Averno

1105 2 eruption: data from [Fourmentraux et al. \(2012\)](#). For AM-S: the blue arrow indicates
1106 the possible deepening of the reservoir due to CO₂ fluxing (see text for discussion).

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1111 **Supplementary Material**

1112 **SM 1 – Outcrop locations**

1113 **SM 2 – Material and Methods**

1114 **SM 3 – Textural characteristics**

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1116 **Tables in Supplementary Material**

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1118 **Table 1: Residual glass composition; major and volatile elements.** Data of glass
1119 compositions are recalculated to 100% on anhydrous basis. Each point represents a mean
1120 value (with Standard Deviation (SD%) indicated). n: number of point analyses.

1121 **Table 2: (a) Melt Inclusion (MI) composition (major and volatile (F, Cl, S)**
1122 **elements).** FeS analyses represent the globules of sulfur analyzed in CT and NYT eruptions.

1123 **(b) Residual glass (RG) composition; major and volatile (F, Cl, S) elements.** Data of
1124 glass composition (MI and RG) are recalculated to 100% on anhydrous basis. BDL: Below
1125 Detection Limit. Each value is for a single point on one sample of the selected eruptive unit.
1126 The detection limit for S is 80 ppm. The uncertainty is below 5% for F, Cl and S
1127 measurements by electronic microprobe (EPMA, Camparis, France; See Supplementary
1128 Material SM2).

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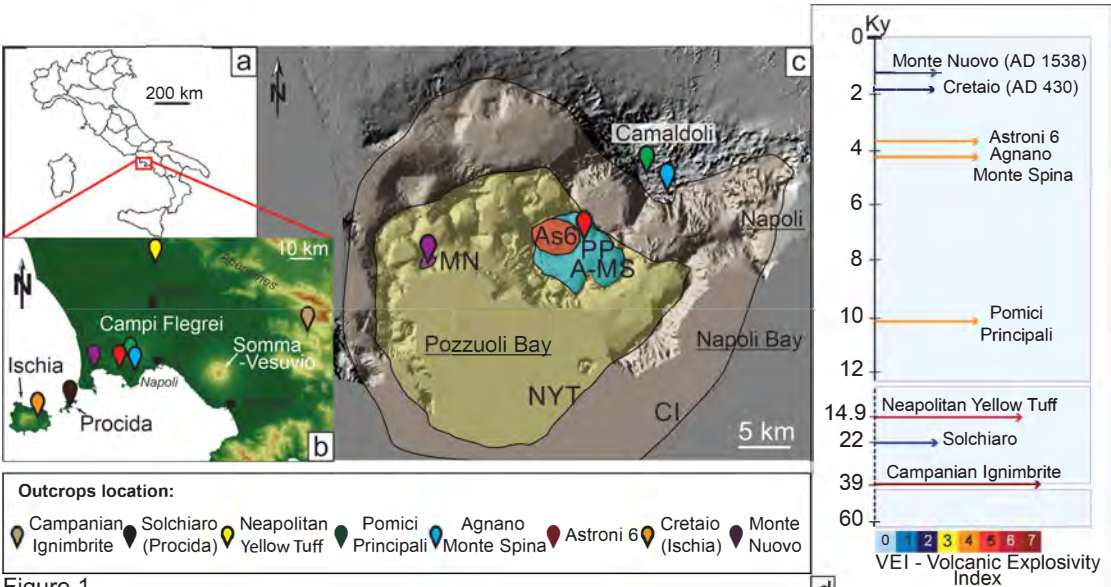


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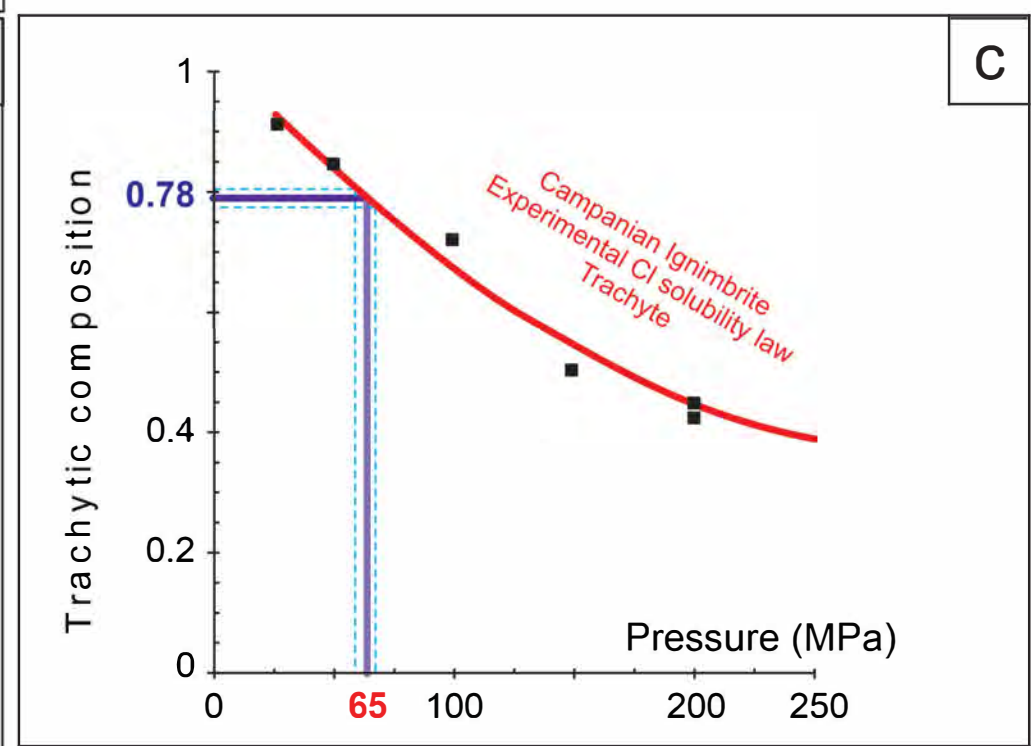
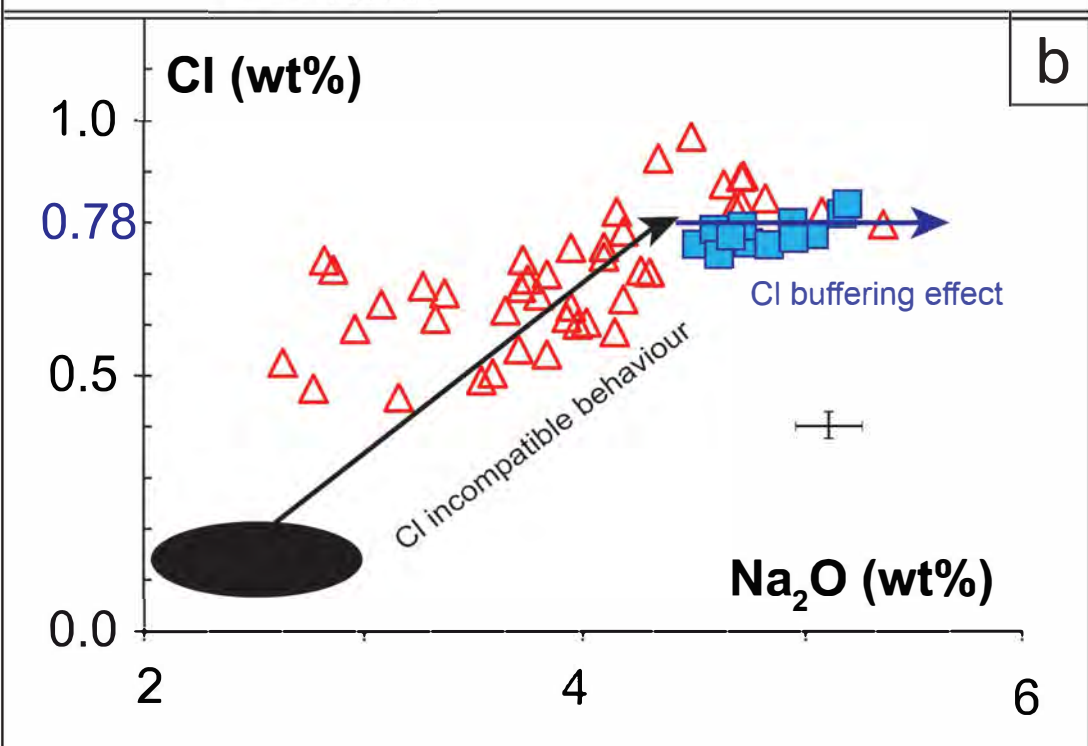
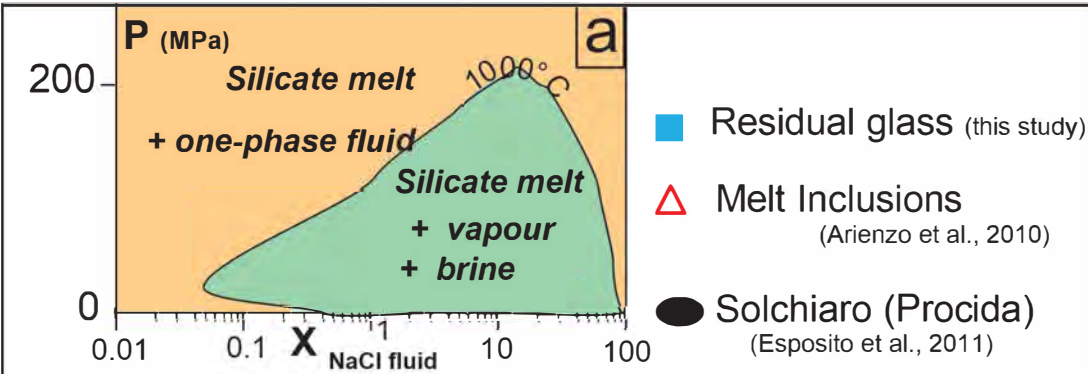


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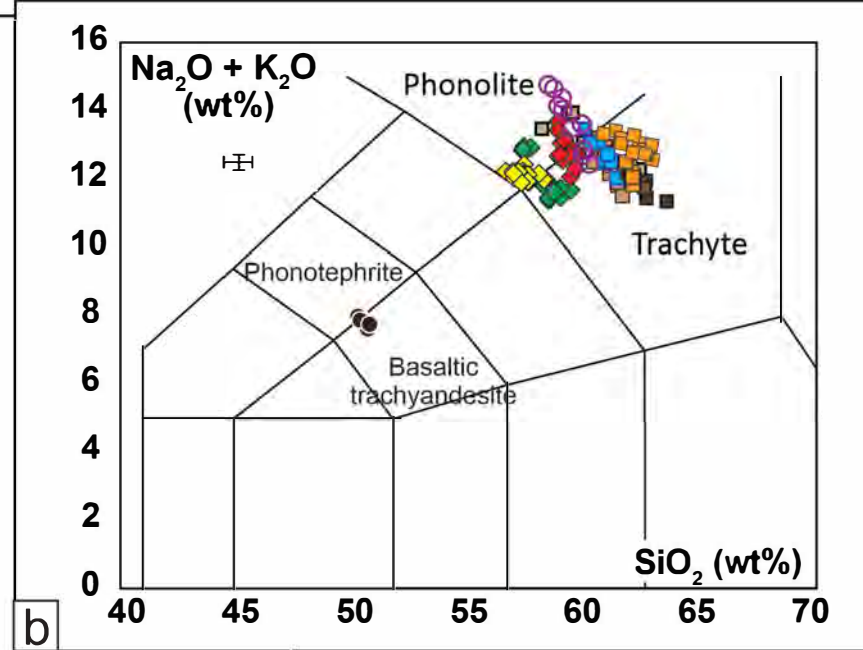
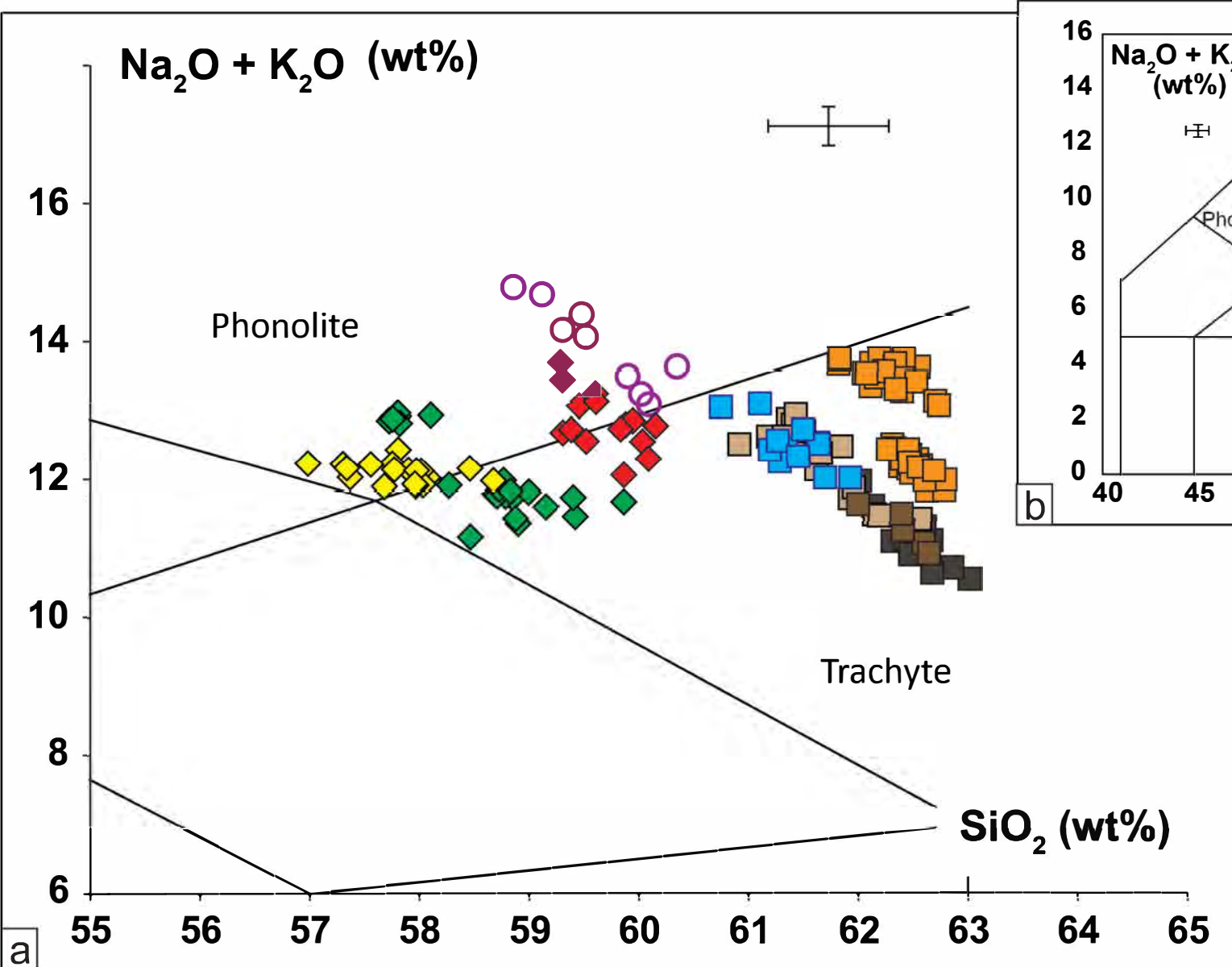


Figure 3

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| ○ Monte Nuovo | ◆ Pomici Principali | ■ Campanian Ignimbrite (v5-v6) |
| □ Cretaio - Ischia | ◆ Neapolitan Yellow Tuff | ■ Campanian Ignimbrite (v4) |
| ◆ Astroni 6 | ● Solchiaro - Procida - RG | ■ Campanian Ignimbrite (v1-v3) |
| ■ Agnano Monte Spina | | |

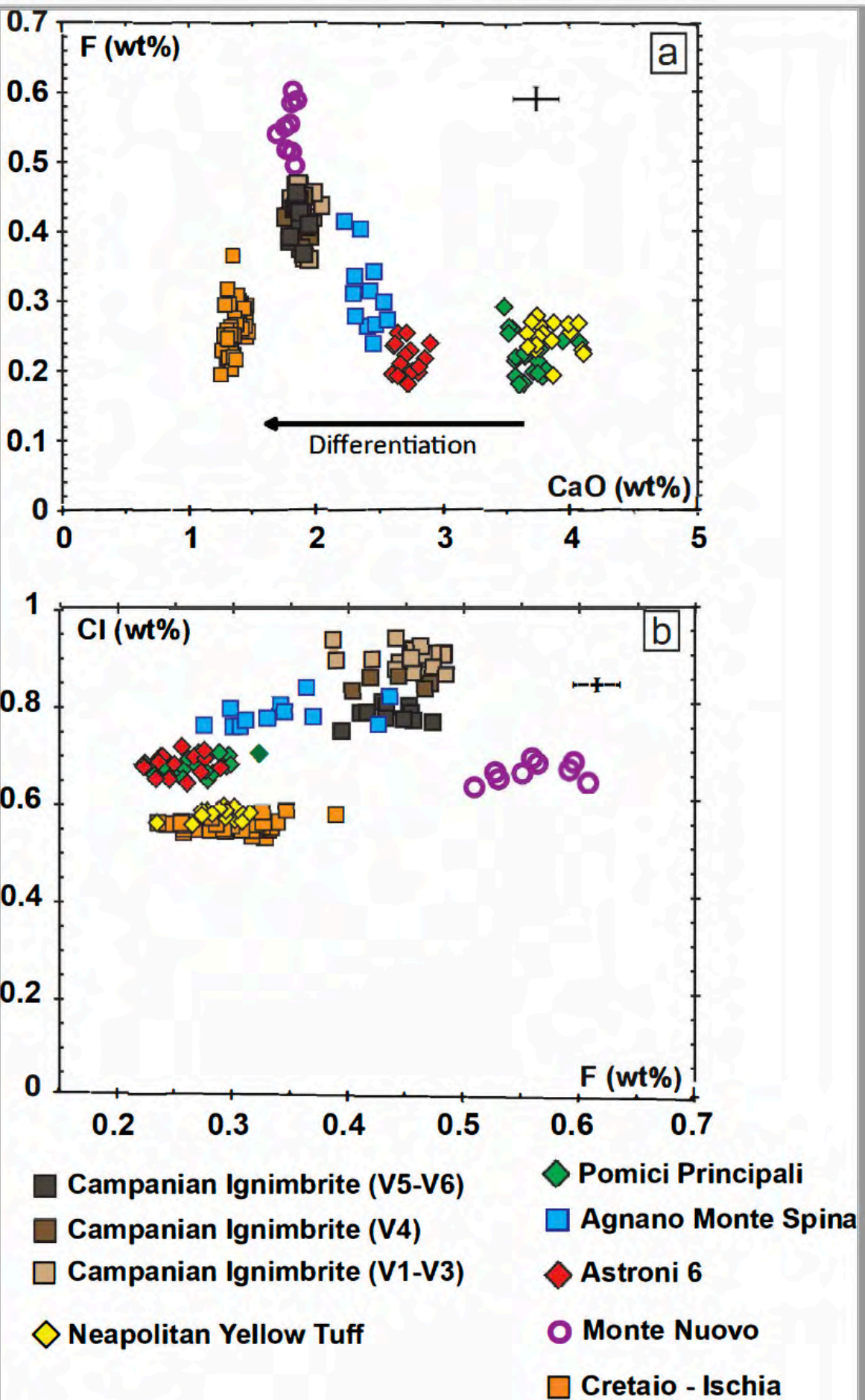


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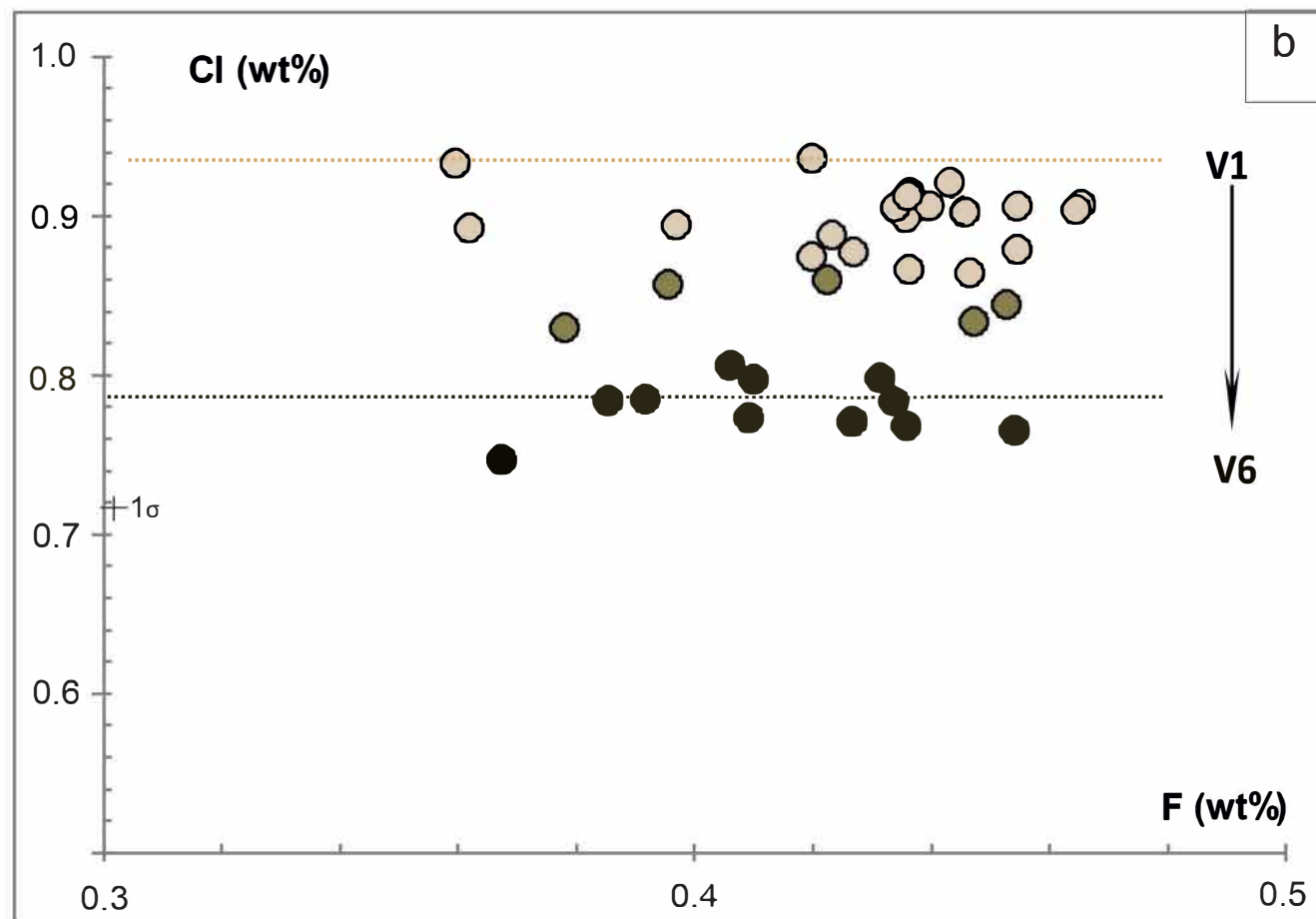
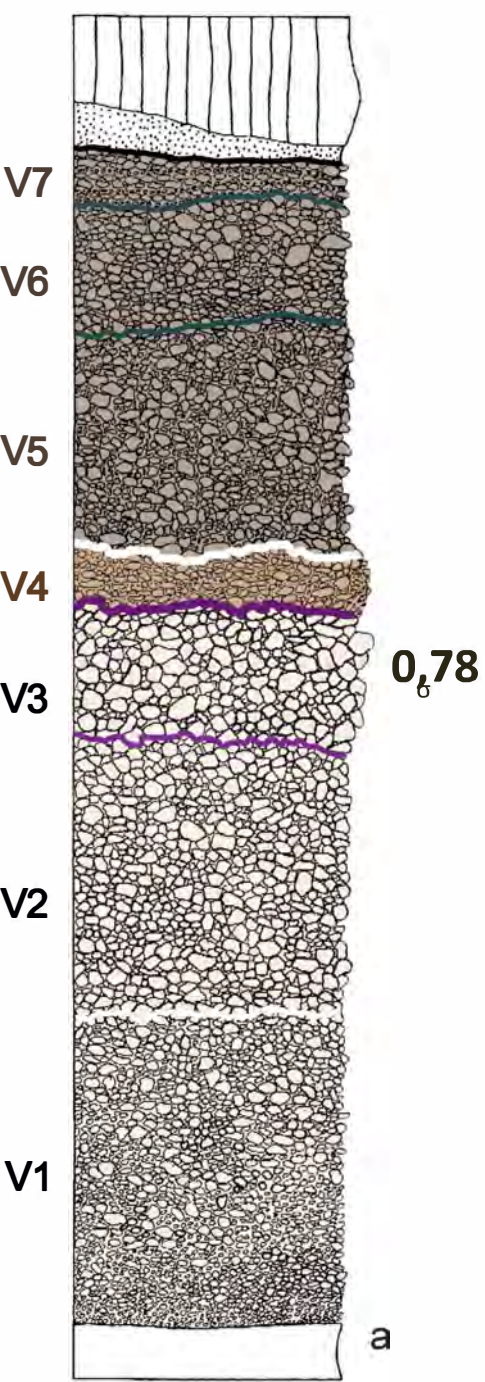
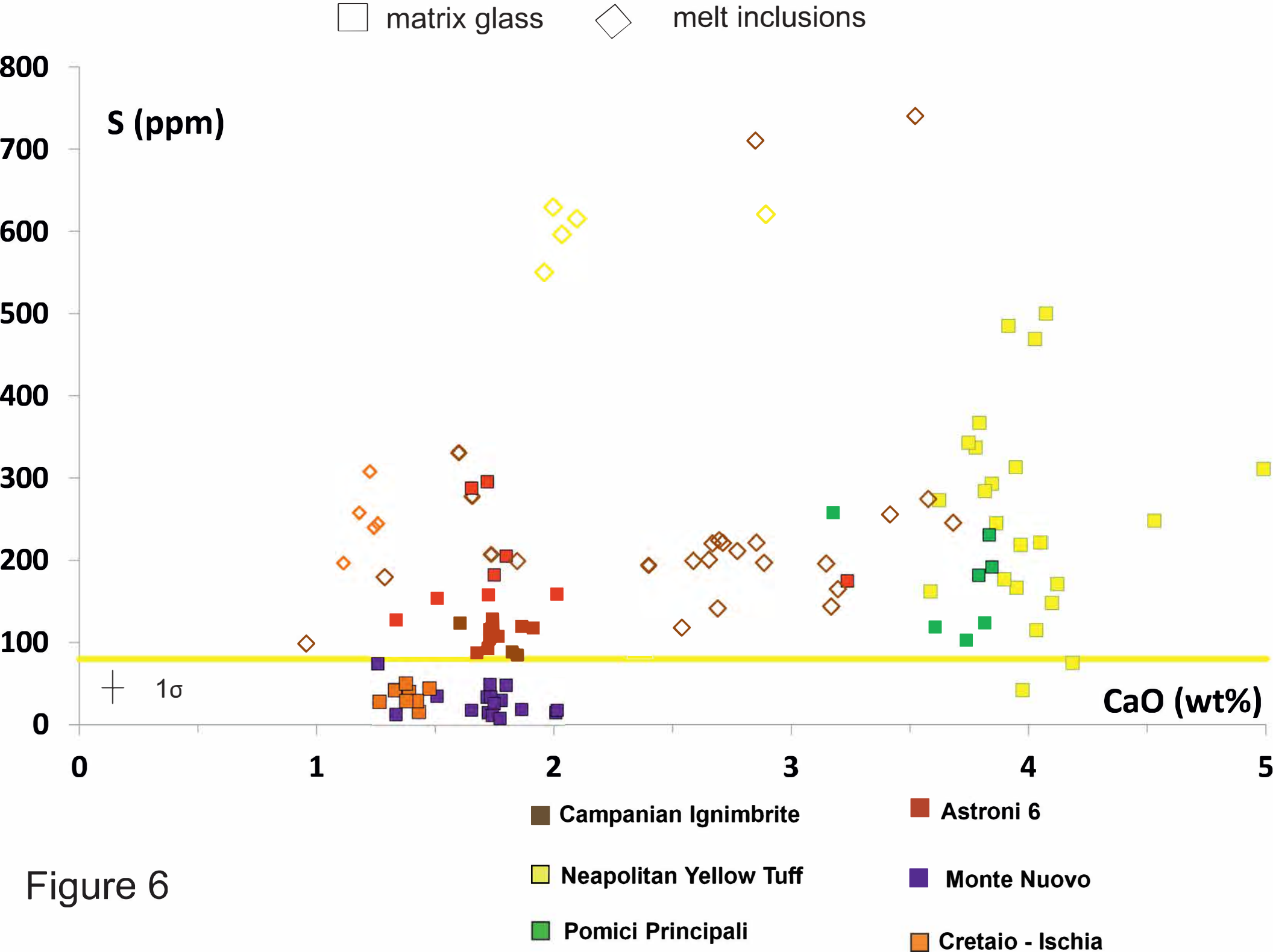


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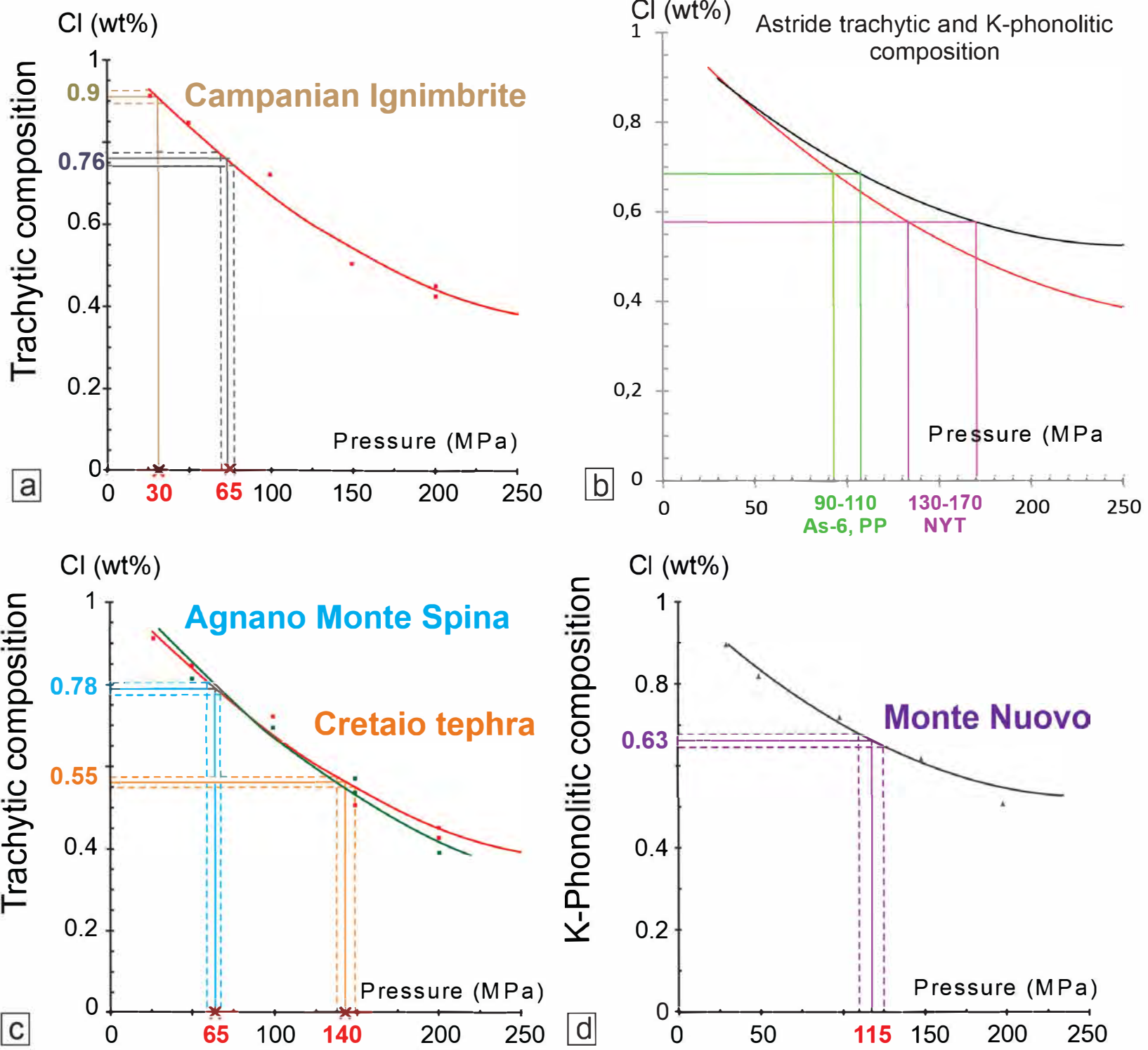


Figure 7

Measured residual glass

Modelled residual glass

- ◆ Astroni 6
- ◆ Pomici Principali

- Without Sulfur correction
- With Sulfur correction

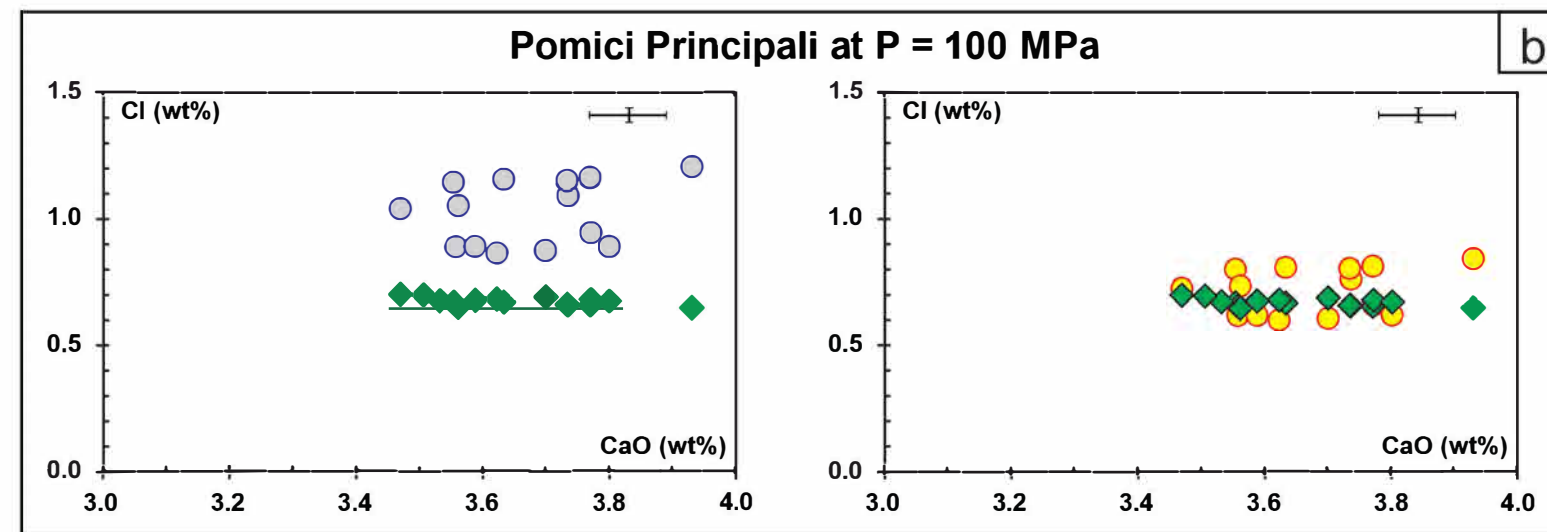
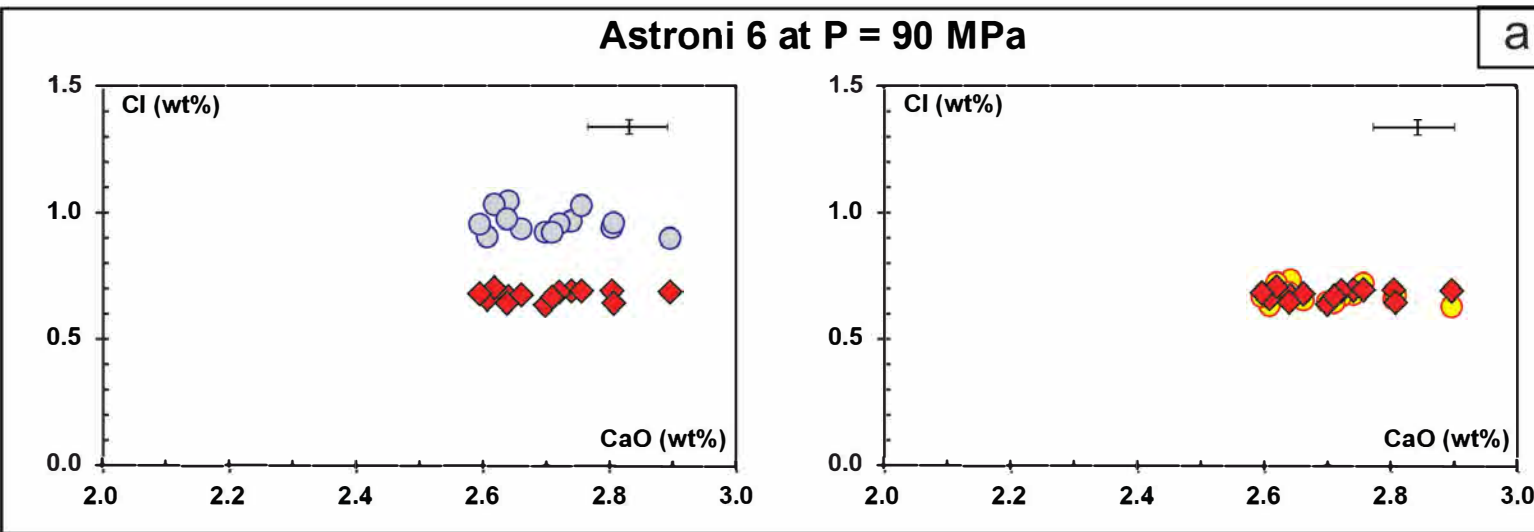
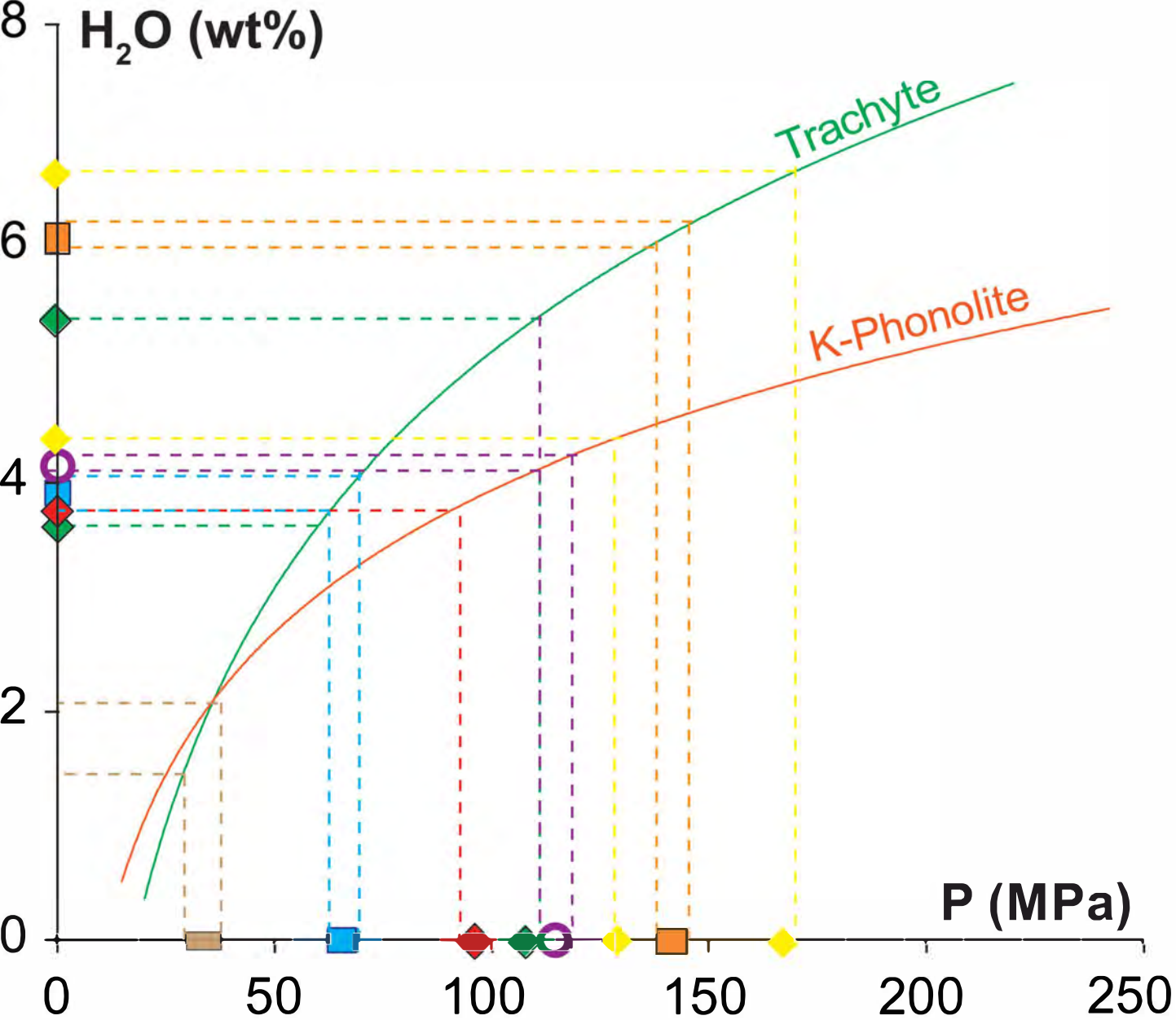


Figure 8



	Pre-eruptive H ₂ O content (wt%)
○ MN	4 - 4.2
□ CT	6 - 6.2
◆ As6	3.8 - 5.5
◆ PP	
■ A-MS	3.8 - 4.1
◆ NYT	4.2 - 6.5
■ CI	1.5 - 2

Figure 9

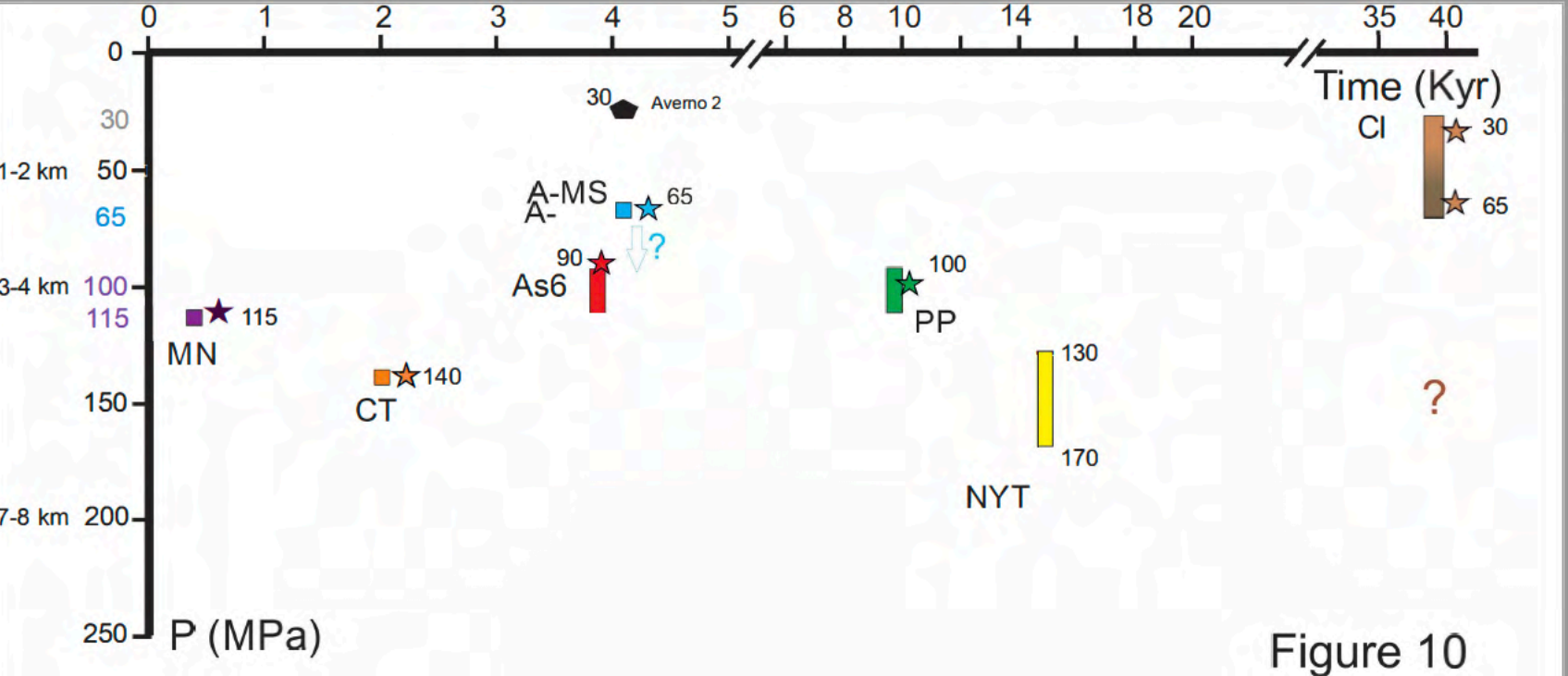


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