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3 **Raman scattering of omphacite at high pressure: towards its possible application to**
4 **elastic geothermobarometry**

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15 **Abstract**

16 Due to their widespread occurrence in several geological settings, omphacite inclusions
17 could be used for elastic Raman geothermobarometry. However, the Raman scattering of complex
18 silicate minerals entrapped in a host depends on both the chemical composition and elastic strain
19 developed during the metamorphic pathway, which makes the task very challenging. Here, as a
20 very first step to probe the potential of omphacite to be used as a mineral inclusion in elastic
21 geothermobarometry, we report the pressure dependence of the Raman spectra of omphacite
22 crystals with the same composition, approximately $Jd_{45}Di_{55}$, but having different symmetry
23 because of the existence ($P2/n$) or absence ($C2/c$) of chemical order at the six- and eight-
24 coordinated cation sites. The experimental results are complemented by ab initio quantum

25 mechanical simulations on fully ordered omphacite ($\text{Jd}_{50}\text{Di}_{50}$). We demonstrate that the position of
26 the well-resolved Raman peak near 688 cm^{-1} , arising from Si-O-Si bond bending, is very sensitive to
27 pressure but independent of the state of chemical order, which makes it promising to be utilized in
28 Raman geobarometry. The width of this peak varies with chemical order but not with pressure and
29 therefore can be used to constrain the temperature of inclusion entrapment, because the
30 chemical order is indicative of the closure temperature of the cation-exchange reaction. However,
31 further detailed analyses on the compositional variation of the Raman spectra of omphacite is
32 required before considering omphacite-in-garnet systems as suitable for Raman elastic
33 geothermobarometry.

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36 calculation

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38 Introduction

39 Clinopyroxenes (general formula $\text{M}_2\text{M}_1\text{T}_2\text{O}_6$) are key minerals, due to their widespread
40 occurrence in the Earth's crust and upper mantle (Skelton and Walker 2015), to characterize
41 various geological settings and processes. They can be found as both rock-forming and accessory
42 minerals in several terrestrial rock types from diverse geological contexts, including mantle
43 xenoliths, magmatic rocks (e.g., Lentz et al. 2011; Murri et al. 2016, 2019b; Gianola et al. 2023)
44 and high-pressure/temperature metamorphic rocks (Philpotts and Ague 2009; Gilio et al. 2020).
45 Clinopyroxenes also occur as inclusions in diamonds (Meyer and Boyd 1972; Nestola et al. 2016;
46 Pasqualetto et al. 2022) and as rock-forming minerals in meteorites (e.g., Papike 1980; Alvaro et
47 al. 2015; Carli et al. 2023). Among clinopyroxenes, omphacite, a solid solution of jadeite
48 ($\text{NaAlSi}_2\text{O}_6$) (20-80%), augite [$\text{Ca}(\text{Mg},\text{Fe}^{2+})\text{Si}_2\text{O}_6$] (20-80%), and aegirine ($\text{NaFe}^{3+}\text{Si}_2\text{O}_6$) (0-50%)

49 (Morimoto 1988) with the general formula $(\text{Ca,Na})(\text{Mg,Fe}^{2+},\text{Al})\text{Si}_2\text{O}_6$, is extremely important for
50 constraining pressure and temperature conditions in eclogitic metabasites where quartz is not
51 present as an equilibrium phase at peak conditions. It is well known that omphacites may exhibit
52 site-occupancy cation order, which leads to a splitting of both M1 and M2 sites into (M1, M11) and
53 (M2, M21), respectively (Figure 1). Consequently, the chemical order reduces the space group
54 symmetry from $C2/c$ to $P2/n$, (e.g., Carpenter et al. 1990a, b; Boffa Ballaran et al. 1998a, b). Thus,
55 the determination of the state of chemically ordered omphacite can constrain the closure
56 temperature and cooling rate experienced by the host rock. The degree of cation order of
57 omphacite is commonly determined by means of single-crystal X-ray diffraction (XRD)
58 measurements followed by structural refinements, but this analysis generally requires large (~50-
59 150 μm) good-quality single crystals. Moreover, chemically ordered regions form antiphase
60 domains that are detectable by transmission electron microscopy, therefore their size variation
61 has been proposed to serve as a geothermometer (Phakey and Ghose 1973; Carpenter 1980,
62 1981a, b). However, the dimensions of chemically ordered regions depend also on the chemical
63 composition as well (Cámara et al. 1998) and they can be further affected by post-crystallization
64 deformation processes (Van Roermund and Lardeaux 1991). Raman spectroscopy can verify the
65 existence of M-site cation order in omphacite by the splitting of the SiO_4 -stretching Raman peak
66 near 1017 cm^{-1} , due to the doubling of the primitive unit cell (Katerinopoulou et al. 2008). Besides,
67 Raman spectroscopy has the advantage to probe micrometer-size spatial regions without the
68 necessity to extract the crystal from the host. Consequently, this analytical method is among the
69 most popular experimental techniques used in elastic geothermobarometry (Korsakov et al. 2009;
70 Anzolini et al. 2018; Nestola et al. 2018; Zhong et al. 2019; Campomenosi et al. 2021). By using this
71 technique, it is possible to estimate the equilibration pressure and temperature of a mineral. The
72 pressure and temperature conditions of the inclusion entrapment (P - T_{trap}) can be estimated

73 knowing the inclusion pressure (P_{inc}) at the conditions at which it is exhumed to the surface (P -
74 T_{end}) and the elastic properties of the host and the inclusion, that allow to calculate isomekes (Gilio
75 et al. 2021). An isomeke is a line in the pressure-temperature space along which the volume strain
76 of the inclusion and the surrounding host are the same (Campomenosi et al. 2022). Then,
77 isomekes are used to determine the over- or under-pressure conditions developed in the
78 inclusion, and, therefore, the final inclusion pressure. Thus, to utilize omphacite inclusions as
79 geothermobarometry markers in metamorphic rocks, detailed analyses of the atomic dynamics of
80 omphacite as a function of chemical composition, temperature and pressure is required. However,
81 Raman-scattering data on omphacite are available only at ambient conditions, mainly in
82 comparison with other chain silicates (Buzatu and Buzgar 2010; Andò and Garzanti 2014; Franz et
83 al. 2014).

84 Here, as a very first step to probe the potential of omphacite to be used as a mineral
85 inclusion in elastic geothermobarometry, we report the Raman spectra of omphacite crystals with
86 and without M -site cation order, while having the same composition $\sim Jd_{45}Di_{55}$, at pressures up to
87 ~ 10 GPa, along with Hartree-Fock/Density-Functional-Theory (HF/DFT) simulations on fully
88 ordered $Jd_{50}Di_{50}$ omphacite in the same pressure range.

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Materials and methods

91 Sample description

92 We used omphacite crystals from Münchberg Mass, Bavaria (Matthes and Schmidt 1974;
93 O'Brien 1993), which belong to the same omphacite sample that has been previously analyzed
94 with infrared spectroscopy by Boffa Ballaran et al. (1998a, b) (sample 74AM41) and by high-
95 pressure single-crystal XRD by Pandolfo et al. (2012a, b). We selected single crystals with low iron
96 content to avoid further chemical effects on the Raman spectra (Katerinopoulou et al. 2008). For

97 in situ high-pressure Raman spectroscopic measurements, we used two natural samples (natural-8
98 and natural-11), which exhibited a high degree of cation order (Boffa Ballaran et al. 1998a), and
99 two samples annealed at 1173 K for 168 h (annealed-3 and annealed-7) to achieve a state of long-
100 range cation disorder. The size of samples natural-8, natural-11 and annealed-3 was approximately
101 $90 \times 150 \times 200 \mu\text{m}^3$, whereas size of sample annealed-7 was $\sim 50 \times 50 \times 60 \mu\text{m}^3$.

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103 **Chemical composition**

104 Wavelength-dispersive electron microprobe analyses (EMPA) were performed on the very
105 same specimens used in the high-pressure Raman-scattering experiments. After conducting the
106 Raman experiments, the omphacite crystals were embedded into epoxy resin, polished, and
107 carbon coated for electron microprobe analyses. The chemical composition was determined with a
108 Jeol 8200 Super Probe electron microprobe at the Department of Earth Sciences of the University
109 of Milan, operating at an acceleration voltage of 15 kV and beam current of 5 nA (beam size = 3
110 μm). A ZAF correction (Z = atomic number, A = absorption coefficient, F = fluorescence coefficient),
111 using the PAP routine (Pouchou and Pichoir 1985) was applied. Standards, spectral lines, and
112 analytical crystals used were: grossular (Si, AlK α , TAP; CaK α , PET), ilmenite (TiK α , PET), metallic Cr
113 (CrK α , LIF), fayalite (FeK α , LIF), rhodonite (MnK α , LIF), forsterite (MgK α , TAP), omphacite (NaK α ,
114 TAP) and K-feldspar (KK α , PET).

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116 **Single-crystal X-ray diffraction**

117 Single-crystal XRD experiments were performed at the Department of Earth Sciences of the
118 University of Milan to determine the degree of long-range M-site cation ordering in the crystals
119 selected for high-pressure Raman spectroscopy. Samples natural-8, natural-11, annealed-3 were
120 analyzed with a Xcalibur-1-Oxford diffractometer equipped with a MoK α sealed tube source and a

121 charge-coupled device (CCD) detector. Due to its smaller size (see above), sample annealed-7 was
122 analyzed with a Rigaku XtaLAB Synergy-S diffractometer equipped with a HyPix-6000HE HPC area
123 detector, using a monochromatic X-ray incident beam with an energy of 17.4 keV ($\lambda=0.71073 \text{ \AA}$,
124 i.e., $\text{MoK}\alpha$), which is characterized by a higher brilliance. Structure refinements were performed
125 using the program SHELXL (Sheldrick 2015). The structure of ordered and disordered omphacite
126 was refined in $P2/n$ and $C2/c$ space groups, respectively, starting from the models provided by
127 Pavese et al. (2000) and McCormick (1986). Scattering curves were taken from *the International*
128 *Tables for Crystallography* (Wilson 1995). Neutral vs. ionized scattering factors were used to refine
129 the occupancy for all sites that are not involved in chemical substitutions (i.e. O sites and ^{T1}Si in
130 $P2/n$) (Hawthorne et al. 1995), while scattering factors of ionized atoms were used for ^{T2}Si and the
131 six-coordinated M1 and M11 sites alongside the eight-coordinated M2 and M21 sites. The site
132 partitioning was obtained using the refinement model proposed by Boffa Ballaran et al. (1998a)
133 and the chemical constraints from our EMPA data. Crystallographic information files (CIFs) are
134 available as Online Materials.

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136 **High-pressure Raman spectroscopy**

137 Raman spectra of the four selected crystals were collected using a Horiba Jobin-Yvon S.A.S.
138 T64000 triple monochromator spectrometer at the Mineralogisch-Petrographisches Institut,
139 Universität Hamburg, equipped with an Olympus BX41 confocal microscope and a Symphony
140 liquid-N₂-cooled CCD detector. Raman scattering was excited with the 514.532-nm or the 488.0-
141 nm lines of a Coherent Innova 90C Fred Ar⁺ laser, using an Olympus LM Plan FLN 50× long-working
142 distance objective with a numerical aperture of 0.5. The spectrometer was calibrated to the T_{2g}
143 mode at 520.5 cm⁻¹ of a Si wafer. The spectral resolution was $\sim 2 \text{ cm}^{-1}$, while the instrumental
144 accuracy in determining the peak position was $\sim 0.35 \text{ cm}^{-1}$.

145 In situ high-pressure Raman experiments were conducted with Boehler-Almax diamond
146 anvil cells equipped with diamonds with a culet diameter of 600 μm . The sample chamber was
147 made by a stainless-steel gasket with a thickness of 0.25 mm, which was initially indented to ~ 95
148 μm and then drilled with an Almax-easyLab spark eroder with tungsten carbide tips, to obtain a
149 hole with a diameter of 300 μm . A 16:3:1 methanol–ethanol–water mixture was used as a
150 pressure-transmitting medium, which remains hydrostatic up to 10.5 GPa (Angel et al. 2007). The
151 pressure P was determined via the ruby photoluminescence R1 line (Munro et al. 1985) with a
152 precision of ~ 0.1 GPa.

153 Parallel polarized Raman spectra (polarization of incident light \mathbf{E}_i parallel to the polarization
154 of the scattered light \mathbf{E}_s) were collected in the range 50–1250 cm^{-1} with acquisition times of 60 or
155 180 s averaged over three accumulations. The variations in the relative intensities indicated that
156 the samples were oriented with the crystallographic \mathbf{c} axis approximately parallel (natural-8 and
157 annealed-3) or perpendicular (natural-11 and annealed-7) to \mathbf{E}_i ; the orientational dependence of
158 the Raman intensities was established by measuring an omphacite grain for which single-crystal
159 XRD showed that the prism axis coincides with the crystallographic \mathbf{c} axis. In both cases, the
160 direction of the propagation of the incident light \mathbf{k}_i was \perp to \mathbf{c} . Therefore, in $(\mathbf{c} \parallel \mathbf{E}_i \parallel \mathbf{E}_s)$
161 scattering geometry the Raman scattering is dominated by the (zz)-component of the Raman
162 polarizability tensor, whereas in $(\mathbf{c} \perp \mathbf{E}_i \parallel \mathbf{E}_s)$ scattering geometry the Raman spectrum is
163 determined by (xx)- and/or (yy)-components of the polarizability tensor, depending on the
164 orientation of the \mathbf{b} axis with respect to \mathbf{k}_i . At each pressure step, the Raman scattering from the
165 diamond anvils was collected to estimate the degree of depolarization of Raman scattering due to
166 stress-induced changes in the optical properties of the diamond anvils (Mihailova et al. 2019). In
167 addition, a background spectrum was measured aside from the sample while keeping the same
168 focus, and subsequently subtracted from the sample spectrum to eliminate the contribution from

169 the pressure-transmitting medium. Then the spectra were reduced by the Bose-Einstein
170 population factor to account for the temperature dependence of the Raman intensities, using the
171 relation: $I_{reduced} = I_{measured} / [(e^{\hbar\omega/k_B T} - 1)^{-1} + 1]$, where \hbar , k_B , ω , and T are the reduced
172 Planck's constant, Boltzmann's constant, phonon angular frequency (in s^{-1}) and temperature (in K),
173 respectively. The peak positions, full widths at half maximum (FWHMs) and integrated intensities
174 were determined by fitting the temperature-reduced spectra with pseudo-Voigt peak-shape
175 functions $PV=qL+(1-q)G$, where L and G are Lorentzian and Gaussian functions and q is a variable
176 weighting coefficient. The OriginLab 2022 software package was used for data evaluation.

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178 **Computational methods**

179 Ab initio hybrid HF/DFT simulations have been conducted with the CRYSTAL17 software
180 (Dovesi et al. 2018) by using the WC1LYP functional. This functional has been shown to correctly
181 reproduce the elastic and vibrational properties of crystals (e.g. Prencipe et al. 2011, 2012;
182 Prencipe 2012, 2018; Stangarone et al. 2016). The WC1LYP functional is based on the generalized
183 gradient approximation (GGA) exchange functional WC (Wu and Cohen 2006), mixed with 16% of
184 the exact *non-local* Hartree-Fock exchange, and the Lee-Yan-Parr (LYP) correlation functional (Lee
185 et al. 1988). The grid for the numerical evaluation of the DFT exchange-correlation functionals was
186 chosen by the keyword XLGRID of CRYSTAL17 (Dovesi et al. 2018) and corresponds to a total of
187 900,780 points in the unit cell. A measure of the numerical accuracy provided by such a grid is the
188 evaluation of the total number of electrons in the unit cell, by the numerical integration of the
189 electron density over the cell volume. For omphacite, we obtained 415.99999 electrons out of 416
190 for the reference volume at the static limit (no zero-point and thermal pressures due to vibrational
191 effects included, see Prencipe et al. 2011) and at a static pressure of 0 GPa. The localized
192 contracted atomic basis sets used were: Na 8-511(1d)G; Al 85-11(1d)G; Ca 865-11(3d)G; Mg 85-

193 11(1d)G; Si 88-31(1d)G; O 84-11(1d1d)G (Sophia et al. 2014; Valenzano et al. 2006). Within the
194 CRYSTAL code, the accuracy in evaluating the Coulomb and Hartree-Fock exchange series is
195 controlled by the keyword TOLINTEG, for which we set the four T1, T2, T3 and T4 parameters to 9
196 and T5 to 22 (Dovesi et al. 2018). The diagonalization of the Hamiltonian matrix was performed at
197 30 independent k vectors in the reciprocal space (Monkhorst net; Monkhorst and Pack 1976) by
198 setting the shrinking factor IS to 4 (Dovesi et al. 2018). Unit-cell parameters and fractional
199 coordinates were optimized by analytical gradient methods, as implemented in CRYSTAL17
200 (Civalleri et al. 2001; Dovesi et al. 2018). Geometry optimization was considered converged when
201 each component of the gradient (TOLDEG parameter in CRYSTAL17) was smaller than 0.00003
202 Hartree/Bohr and displacements (TOLDEX) were smaller than 0.00012 Bohr with respect to the
203 previous step. Simulations of the Raman spectra of omphacite at the *static limit* have been
204 performed at pressures ranging from 0 to 6 GPa (with step of 2 GPa from 0 to 4 GPa and then a
205 step of 1 GPa from 4 to 6 GPa) by using the keyword EXTPRESS. The wavenumbers of all normal
206 modes were calculated at the Γ point within the limit of the harmonic approximation, by
207 diagonalizing a mass-weighted Hessian matrix, whose elements are the second derivatives of the
208 full potential of the crystal with respect to the mass-weighted atomic displacements (Pascale et al.
209 2004). Furthermore, in order to directly compare the computational data with the experimental
210 ones, we followed the procedure reported in Ghignone et al. (2023) for the estimate of EoS
211 parameters at a temperature of 298 K.

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Results

Crystal chemistry

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215 The EMPA results for sample natural-8, annealed-3, and annealed-7 are reported in Table
216 1. Within uncertainties the compositions of all three specimens are the same as those reported by

217 Boffa Ballaran et al. (1998a). Sample natural-11 was unfortunately lost during the polishing
218 procedure, so in the subsequent analyses we assumed that it has the same chemical composition
219 of sample natural-8.

220 The structure of samples natural-8 and natural-11 is refined in $P2/n$, indicating chemical
221 ordering, whereas samples annealed-3 and annealed-7 exhibit $C2/c$ space symmetry typical of
222 chemically disordered omphacites. The unit-cell parameters for all samples are given in Table 2,
223 along with those calculated by HF/DFT simulations for fully ordered $Jd_{50}Di_{50}$ omphacite. The M1
224 site is commonly occupied by small cations such as Mg^{2+} , Al^{3+} , Fe^{3+} and Fe^{2+} , while larger cations
225 such as Ca^{2+} and Na^{+} are at the M2 site. In the case of chemical order-disorder phenomena, the
226 site occupancy factors are used to calculate the order parameters Q_{M1} and Q_{M2} (Carpenter et al.
227 1990a) as follows:

$$Q_{M1} = \frac{\left| \frac{(Al + Fe^{3+})_{M1} - (Al + Fe^{3+})_{M11}}{(Al + Fe^{3+})_{M1} + (Al + Fe^{3+})_{M11}} \right| + \left| \frac{(Mg + Fe^{2+})_{M1} - (Mg + Fe^{2+})_{M11}}{(Mg + Fe^{2+})_{M1} + (Mg + Fe^{2+})_{M11}} \right|}{2}$$
$$Q_{M2} = \frac{\left| \frac{Na_{M2} - Na_{M21}}{Na_{M2} + Na_{M21}} \right| + \left| \frac{Ca_{M2} - Ca_{M21}}{Ca_{M2} + Ca_{M21}} \right|}{2}$$

228 In natural samples the long-range order parameter at M1 is commonly twice larger than
229 that at M2, i.e. $Q_{M1} \sim 2Q_{M2}$. (Boffa Ballaran et al. 1998a; Skelton and Walker 2015). The refined
230 values of the site occupancy factors and subsequently calculated order parameters (see Table 3)
231 are in a good agreement with those reported by Boffa Ballaran et al. (1998a). Sample natural-8 is
232 slightly less ordered than natural-11 (Table 3). In Table S1 in the Online Materials the bond
233 distances and the polyhedral volumes are reported.

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235 Raman scattering at ambient conditions

236 According to group theory (e.g., Kroumova et al. 2003), at the Brillouin-zone centre there
237 are $\Gamma_{opt} = 14A_g + 13A_u + 16B_g + 14B_u$ optical phonon modes in chemically disordered omphacite

238 $(C2/c)$ and $\Gamma_{\text{opt}} = 28A_g + 27A_u + 32B_g + 30B_u$ in chemically ordered omphacite ($P2/n$). The A_u and B_u
239 are infrared-active, while A_g and B_g modes are Raman-active. Only A_g modes should appear in
240 parallel polarized Raman spectra measured when the pyroxene prism axis is parallel or
241 perpendicular to the polarization of the incident light, as it was in our scattering geometry.
242 Therefore, 28 peaks are expected in the Raman spectra of samples natural-8 and natural-11 and
243 14 peaks in the spectra of samples annealed-3 and annealed-7. Indeed 14 peaks were observed for
244 chemically disordered omphacite (see Figure 2 and Table 4), but only 22 peaks were resolved for
245 chemically ordered omphacite. This can be due to peak overlapping (e.g. the peaks near 1021 and
246 1029 cm^{-1}) or weak diagonal components (e.g. the peaks near 158, 281 and 452 cm^{-1}) of the
247 Raman polarizability tensor, as indicated by the results of HF/DFT calculations. The calculated
248 phonon wavenumbers of A_g modes in $P2/n$ at zero pressure match very well the observed Raman-
249 peaks positions at atmospheric pressure (Table 4). The calculated and observed relative peak
250 intensities in the parallel-polarized Raman spectra are also in a very good agreement (see Fig. 3a).
251 A complete list of the Raman active phonon modes in fully ordered $\text{Jd}_{50}\text{Di}_{50}$ omphacite as well as
252 the Raman polarizability tensors derived from HF/DFT calculations at $P = 0 \text{ GPa}$ and $T = 0 \text{ K}$ are
253 given in the Online Materials (Table S2).

254 The assignment of each Raman peak to a definitive atomic vibration can be achieved by
255 direct inspection of the calculated atomic vector displacements. The strongest experimentally
256 observed Raman signals are then assigned as follows:

257 - The A_g modes in the range 950 and 1050 cm^{-1} are related to the Si-O_{nb} bond stretching
258 (O_{nb} = non-bridging oxygen, which is not shared between two TO_4). Chemically disordered
259 omphacite exhibits one peak observed near 1017 cm^{-1} , whereas ordered omphacite is
260 characterized by the splitting of this peak into two components at about 1007 and 1029 cm^{-1} , due
261 to the reduction of the translational symmetry.

262 - The strong peak at 688 cm^{-1} , typical of both chemically ordered and disordered
263 omphacite, arises from A_g mode comprising Si–O_b–Si bond bending vibrations.

264 - The A_g modes at 375, 382, 402 and 411 cm^{-1} are related to M1O₆ and M11O₆ bending and
265 TO₄ rotation around **c**.

266 - The A_g mode at 337 cm^{-1} in ordered omphacite is related to M1-cation vibrations parallel
267 to the **b** axis and TO₄ rotation around the **c** axis. Note that the tilt angle is defined as the out-of-
268 plane tilting of the basal face of the tetrahedra with respect to the plane (100) (Cameron et al.
269 1973).

270 - The A_g mode at 300 cm^{-1} in chemically ordered omphacite is due to M1-cation and ^{M2}Na
271 vibrations parallel to **b**.

272 - The A_g mode at 271 cm^{-1} is associated with vibrations of M-site cations along **b** and TO₄
273 translation along **a**.

274 - The A_g mode at 215 cm^{-1} is mainly related to SiO₄ rotation around **a**.

275 Sketches of selected vibrational modes are presented in Figure S1 in the Online Materials.

276 It should be emphasized that the peak FWHM is affected by the ordering of the cations at
277 the six- and eight-coordinated sites and it increases with cation disorder, as reported by
278 Katerinopoulou et al. (2008).

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280 **Pressure dependence of Raman spectra**

281 Figure 4 shows the pressure evolution of Raman spectra of chemically ordered omphacite.
282 No change in the number of observed peaks occurs in the investigated pressure range. In
283 accordance with theory, the strongest peak at 688 cm^{-1} gradually increases in wavenumber upon
284 pressure increase, while its FWHM increases slightly, but within the spectral resolution (see Figure
285 5). The former is due to the pressure-induced decrease in the atomic distances and the

286 subsequent increase in the effective interatomic force constants, whereas the latter is related to
287 the fact that the phonon decay and hence the peak FWHM should not change with pressure in the
288 absence of structural transformations. Figure 5 also demonstrates that the phonon compressibility
289 $\beta_{\omega} = \frac{1}{\omega_0} \frac{d\omega}{dP}$ of the A_g mode near 688 cm^{-1} does not depend on the chemical order, which makes
290 this peak a potential candidate for wavenumber-pressure calibration. The linear fit $\omega(P) = \omega_0 + \frac{d\omega}{dP}$
291 P to the experimental data points gives $\omega_0 = 680.3(2)$, $\frac{d\omega}{dP} = 3.32(3)$, and $\beta_{\omega} = 0.00488(5) \text{ GPa}^{-1}$.
292 Then using the relation $P = \frac{\omega - 680.3}{3.32}$, the pressure can be determined with an accuracy of $\sim 0.1 \text{ GPa}$.
293 Further experiments can improve the statistics of $\omega(P)$ data points, which in turn will reduce the
294 errors in the coefficients of polynomial fit and consequently, will reduce the propagating
295 uncertainties in P_{inc} , that is the residual pressure.

296 A few Raman peaks for chemically ordered omphacite show anomalous behavior near 4.5-
297 5 GPa: (i) the pressure dependence of the average wavenumber of the two components related to
298 the Si-O_{nb} bond stretching shows a discontinuity near 5 GPa (Figure 6a), although the $\frac{d\omega}{dP}$ value
299 remains nearly the same above 5 GPa; (ii) the slope of $\omega(P)$ of the peaks near 375 cm^{-1} and 337 cm^{-1} ,
300 both arising from $M1O_6$ vibrations and SiO_4 rotations, changes around 4.5 GPa (Figure 6b and c)
301 and above this pressure the corresponding phonon compressibility equals to that of disordered
302 omphacite; (iii) the FWHM of the peak near 271 cm^{-1} , generated by M-cation vibrations and SiO_4
303 translations, becomes smaller above 5 GPa (Figure 6d).

304 In order to simulate the pressure dependence of the phonon modes, unit-cell parameters
305 (reported in Table 2) and fractional coordinates were optimized by analytical gradient methods
306 and the equation of state (EoS) at room temperature was modelled. As can be seen in Table 5, the
307 calculated EoS parameters are in good agreement with previously published experimental results
308 (Pavese et al. 2001; Pandolfo et al. 2012b; Zhang et al. 2016).

309 The pressure dependence of the phonon wavenumbers of fully ordered omphacites was
310 simulated in the pressure range 0-11 GPa, while the Raman intensities were calculated at 0, 2, 4, 5
311 and 6 GPa. The correspondence between experimental and calculated spectra at high pressure is
312 very good (Figure 3b). The calculated $\frac{d\omega}{dP}$ of the main peaks also match very well the corresponding
313 experimentally observed $\omega(P)$ slopes (see Figure 7).

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Discussions

316 The hybrid HF/DFT simulations reveal that the anomalous $\omega(P)$ behavior of the peak ~ 337
317 cm^{-1} for chemically ordered omphacite can be explained by enhanced phonon-phonon
318 interactions near 4.7 GPa. The ab initio simulations reveal that in this spectral range there are
319 actually two A_g modes, at 337 and 349 cm^{-1} . Having the same symmetry and similar energies,
320 these A_g modes can interact and exchange intensity via the so-called *avoided intersection*, also
321 referred to as energy-level anticrossing (Dresselhaus et al. 2008); that is, two modes of the same
322 symmetry approach one another in energy but without energy crossing. Indeed, the wavenumbers
323 of the two A_g modes become very close to each other at a volume of about 413 \AA^3 (see the insert
324 in Figure 7), corresponding to a pressure of 4.7 GPa, while at higher pressure they diverge. These
325 two Raman peaks could be experimentally distinguished for sample natural-8 when measured in
326 air, but not under high pressure in DAC, so that only one peak at about 337 cm^{-1} was used in the
327 fitting model for high-pressure spectra. However, as can be seen in Figure 7, the experimental and
328 simulated pressure trend for the A_g mode near 337 cm^{-1} are in a very good agreement.

329 It should be emphasized that above the pressure of A_g -phonon anticrossing, the phonon
330 compressibility of the mode near 337 cm^{-1} in chemically ordered omphacite becomes the same as
331 that in chemically disordered omphacite. The same is valid for the A_g mode near 375 cm^{-1} . Both
332 phonon modes involve SiO_4 tilting and M-cation vibrations and the change in β_ω should be related

333 to a change in the M-O-Si interactions. External pressure alone cannot mobilize M-site cations to
334 form a chemically disordered state above 4.5 GPa. However, pressure can trigger a redistribution
335 of the local elastic strains related to the difference in the ionic sizes of the M-site cations, leading
336 to unified MO_6 volumes and consequently, averaged effective M-O-Si force constants that appear
337 to be the same as a state of site-occupancy disorder. In addition, both the zenithal and azimuthal
338 components of the out-of-plane basal tilts of tetrahedra, which change as a function of the degree
339 of order (for exact definitions see Boffa Ballaran et al. 1998a and Cámara et al. 1998), may also
340 change as a consequence of compression, related also to the unified volume compressibility of the
341 M1 and M11 octahedra. Chemical disorder is difficult to implement in ab initio simulations.
342 However, based on the combined experimental and HF/DFT results presented here, we speculate
343 that the pressure-enhanced phonon-phonon interactions near 4.5-5 GPa trigger the
344 homogenization of local elastic strains associated with chemical order at the (M1, M11) and (M2,
345 M21) sites, respectively. This phenomenon should be responsible also for the anomaly in the
346 averaged $\omega(P)$ of the Si-O_{nb} bond stretching mode observed near 1017 cm^{-1} , because M-O
347 interactions have a secondary effect on the energy of this phonon mode. The experimentally
348 observed reduction of the FWHM of the 271- cm^{-1} peak, resulting primarily from M-cation
349 vibrations, is also consistent with the assumption for a smaller dispersion in the MO_6 size above
350 ~ 4.5 GPa.

351 For ordered omphacite a slight anomaly in the pressure dependence of the M1,11O₆
352 volumes has been reported at about 4 GPa by Pandolfo et al. (2012b), which was attributed to a
353 pressure-induced change of the tilt angle for both T1O₄ and T2O₄ tetrahedra. This observation
354 corroborates with the anomalies reported here for the phonon modes at about 1017, 375, 337,
355 and 271 cm^{-1} . Moreover, we show that the position of the well resolved Raman peak at 688 cm^{-1} ,
356 generated by Si-O_{br}-Si bond bending A_g mode, exhibits a strong pressure dependence, which is not

357 affected by the presence or absence of chemical order. That is, the temperature-induced change
358 of the translational symmetry due to site-occupancy order-disorder processes does not influence
359 the wavenumber of the Si-O_{br}-Si bond bending and therefore, this phonon mode properly reflects
360 the strained state of an omphacite inclusion associated with the metamorphic conditions. Besides,
361 HF/DFT calculations indicate that this mode exhibits the strongest polycrystalline isotropic Raman
362 intensity (see Table 4), ensuring that the peak near 688 cm⁻¹ can be experimentally detected in any
363 random orientation of an omphacite inclusion. Thus, as garnets do not show Raman scattering in
364 this spectral range (Kolesov and Geiger 1998), this peak seems to be a promising candidate to be
365 used for estimating the residual pressure for omphacite-in-garnet inclusion-host systems. On the
366 other hand, the FWHM of this peak does not change with pressure, but it is indicative of the
367 absence or presence of chemical cation order. When an instrumental resolution of 2 cm⁻¹ is used,
368 disordered omphacite shows a FWHM for the 688-cm⁻¹-peak around 16 cm⁻¹, whereas for
369 omphacite with $Q_{M1} \cong 2Q_{M2} \cong 0.8$ the peak FWHM is around 12 cm⁻¹. A cation order parameter
370 $Q_{M1} \cong 0.83$ corresponds to a closure temperature of about 600 K (Carpenter et al. 1990a).
371 Therefore, a FWHM above 12 cm⁻¹ implies that the omphacite inclusion has been trapped at T >
372 600 K. However, the Raman spectrum of omphacite and in particular the position of the
373 wavenumber of the Si-O-Si bond bending mode depends on the chemical composition (Wang et al.
374 2001; Prencipe et al. 2012). Hence, further comprehensive studies on the compositional effect on
375 the phonon compressibility for omphacites with diverse chemistry is required before utilizing
376 omphacite-in-garnet systems for Raman elastic geothermobarometry applications.

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Implications

379 Conventional thermobarometry techniques are commonly used in geological sciences for
380 determining pressure and temperature conditions of mineral formation. These methods rely on

381 mineral assemblages and chemical compositions, providing valuable insights into metamorphic
382 processes, but they are limited by assumptions of chemical thermodynamic equilibrium under
383 hydrostatic pressure (Powell and Holland 2008; Gilio et al. 2022). On the other hand, Raman
384 elastic thermobarometry provides a non-destructive in situ approach for estimating pressure and
385 temperature conditions based on the elastic properties of an inclusion and its host. This technique,
386 which is mostly independent of chemical equilibration, holds great promise for providing accurate
387 thermobarometric data, but it is restricted to a few host-inclusion systems. The lack of calibrations
388 of Raman shifts with pressure, as well as of elastic properties at variable pressure and
389 temperature, requires further experiments to improve and validate this method in geological
390 studies (Kohn et al. 2023).

391 The present study represents the first step towards enabling the use of omphacite
392 inclusions for elastic geothermobarometry purposes using Raman spectroscopy. We demonstrate
393 that knowing the EoS and the composition of the inclusion, determined by EMPA analysis, it will
394 be possible to a first approximation to estimate its residual pressure using Raman spectroscopy.
395 For this purpose, one should comprehensively study the effect of the relevant thermodynamic
396 variables on the phonon wavenumbers, namely elastic stress (or hydrostatic pressure), chemical
397 composition, degree of chemical order. That is, one should: (i) establish relationships between
398 phonon wavenumber and external elastic stresses/hydrostatic pressure, i.e. $\omega(P)$; (ii) a robust
399 relationship between the chemical composition, denoted here for simplicity with $\{x\}$, and the
400 phonon wavenumber, i.e. $\omega(\{x\})$, (iii) the effect of chemical composition on phonon
401 compressibilities, i.e. $\beta_{\omega}(\{x\})$; and (iv), the effect of chemical order on ω and β_{ω} . At the current
402 stage, this can only be done using empirical calibrations such as $\omega(P) = \omega_0 + (d\omega/dP)P$ for selected
403 phonon modes, which have been proved to be insensitive to the degree of chemical order, so that
404 at least one parameter influencing the phonon frequencies can be eliminated. Further ab initio

405 calculations will enable, at least for the ordered structure, to calculate the Grüneisen tensor for a
406 correct estimate of the residual strains (see Murri et al. 2018 for further details). The subsequent
407 key point to enable the use of omphacite for elastic geobarometric purposes is the contrast in
408 their elastic properties with respect to those of the host. Garnet is a significantly stiffer material
409 compared to omphacite. Synthetic Prp₆₀Alm₄₀ garnet has a bulk modulus (K_{T0}) of 167.2 (17) GPa
410 (Milani et al. 2015); on the other hand, omphacite has a lower K_{T0} , ranging from 122(1) to 119(2)
411 GPa (Pandolfo et al. 2012a, b), thus implying a larger relaxation of omphacite volume than its host
412 garnet and the building up of a significant remanent inclusion pressure from which it is possible to
413 calculate the entrapment conditions (Korsakov et al. 2009). Furthermore, omphacite has a softer
414 bulk modulus compared to zircon, but it is stiffer than quartz. The combination of their
415 thermoelastic properties contributes to the isomekes trends: the isomekes of omphacite resemble
416 those of quartz, making it a potential barometer.

417 To the aim of recalculating the entrapment conditions, knowing the elastic behavior as a
418 function of composition and ordering state becomes crucial. Previous high-pressure single-crystal
419 XRD analyses on omphacite from the same location as that of omphacite used in our study
420 revealed $K_{T0} = 122(1)$ GPa and $K' = 5.1(3)$ for ordered omphacite, and $K_{T0} = 119(2)$ GPa and $K' =$
421 $5.7(6)$ for the disordered omphacite (Pandolfo et al. 2012a, b), i.e. within the uncertainties
422 ordered and disordered omphacite exhibit a very similar volume compressibility up to 7.5 GPa
423 (Table 5). Regarding the composition, Pandolfo et al. (2012a) discussed the bulk modulus
424 dependence on the composition in terms of jadeite and diopside solid solution and proposed the
425 following equation:

$$K_{T0} = 106(1)GPa + 0.28(2) \times Jd_{(mol\%)}$$

426 Our preliminary results based on the calculated EoS of omphacite indicate that the slope of
427 omphacite-in-garnet isomeke is close to the slope of quartz-in-garnet isomeke (Figure 8) which

428 makes omphacite a good candidate for elastic geobarometry. Here we present an example of
429 garnet host with omphacite inclusions because it is a widespread host-inclusion system in several
430 geological settings. For example, omphacite in garnet could be extremely useful in low-silica
431 systems like metabasites (the most widespread lithotype of eclogites) where quartz is not stable
432 and omphacite becomes a suitable common phase for retrieving metamorphic peak conditions.
433 Furthermore, omphacite-in-garnet host-inclusion system will provide fundamental hints for low-
434 pressure and high-temperature geological settings where both quartz and zircon inclusions in
435 garnet have considerable shortcomings. The first comes from the high temperature α -quartz \leftrightarrow β -
436 quartz phase transition and related effects on the atomic dynamics (e.g., Murri et al. 2019a) and
437 the latter because of the high-temperature elastic reset in zircon (Campomenosi et al. 2022).

438 While the slope of the isomekes and the different character of the phase transition
439 provides significant advantages for omphacite-in-garnet with respect to quartz- and zircon-in-
440 garnet because it extends significantly the PT space of potential applicability, however the large
441 spacing between the isomekes, far greater than that of quartz and zircon, may be a significant
442 shortcoming. Because of the large spacing, omphacite inclusions in garnet will require higher
443 precision in determining P_{inc} from Raman spectroscopy.

444 In this paper we show that below ~ 4.5 GPa the phonon compressibility of MO_6 octahedra is
445 larger for the chemically ordered omphacite than for its disordered counterpart, whereas above
446 4.5 GPa the elastic behavior is unified, probably because the external pressure leads to
447 homogeneous distribution of the internal chemically-induced local stresses. The strong Raman
448 peak near 688 cm^{-1} , arising from Si-O_{br}-Si bond bending, seems to be a promising Raman marker
449 for residual pressure via its position, and indicative of closure temperature via its width. However,
450 further comprehensive analysis of the effect of composition and the cation order degree on all

451 omphacite Raman-active modes and their pressure behavior is required to develop a protocol for
452 the proper utilization of omphacite-in-garnet systems in Raman elastic geothermobarometry.

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668 **Captions**

669 **Table 1.** Electron microprobe analyses in oxide wt% and chemical formulae in atoms per formula
670 unit, based on six oxygen atoms

671 **Table 2.** Unit-cell parameters of the analyzed crystals, compared to the ab initio calculated ones

672 **Table 3.** Site occupancy factors, order parameters and mean bond distances (given in Å) refined
673 from single-crystal XRD data with chemical constraints

674 **Table 4.** Calculated and experimental wavenumbers (ω , in cm^{-1}) of the A_g modes and relative
675 intensities normalized to 688 cm^{-1} mode (I , in arbitrary units) of omphacite

676 **Table 5.** Bulk modulus K_0 , its pressure derivative K' , the zero-pressure volume V_0 as well as the
677 order parameters Q_{M1} and Q_{M2} , pressure (P) and temperature (T) conditions of each study. The
678 EoSs were determined using single-crystal XRD for all experimental studies except for Pavese et al.
679 (2001), who used powder XRD

680 **Figure 1.** A structural fragment of ordered omphacite (space group symmetry $P2/n$). SiO_4
681 tetrahedra are shown in dark blue, M1 sites in orange, M11 sites in yellow, M2 in blue, and M21 in
682 light blue. The structure was prepared using the VESTA software package (Momma and Izumi
683 2008).

684 **Figure 2.** Raman spectra of chemically ordered (red and grey lines) and chemically disordered
685 (blue and green lines) omphacite, collected in $(\mathbf{c} \parallel \mathbf{E}_i \parallel \mathbf{E}_s)$ (samples natural-8 and annealed-3) or $(\mathbf{c}$
686 $\perp \mathbf{E}_i \parallel \mathbf{E}_s)$ (samples natural-11 and annealed-7) scattering geometry at room temperature and
687 atmospheric pressure. The signals marked by * are not related to omphacite Raman-active phonon
688 modes.

689 **Figure 3.** Experimental and calculated Raman spectra of ordered omphacite ($P2/n$), at ~ 0 GPa (a)
690 and at ~ 5 GPa (b).

691 **Figure 4.** Pressure evolution of ($c||E_i||E_s$) Raman spectra of chemically ordered omphacite
692 (sample natural-11).

693 **Figure 5.** Pressure dependence of the wavenumber and FWHM of the strongest Raman peak at
694 688 cm^{-1} . Filled symbols are related to the ordered omphacites, while open symbols to the
695 disordered omphacites.

696 **Figure 6.** Pressure dependence of the wavenumber or FWHM of the peaks that show an anomaly
697 at about 5 GPa in ordered omphacite, along with the corresponding trends for disordered
698 omphacites: the average wavenumber of the two peaks near to 1007 and 1029 cm^{-1} (a); the slope
699 of the peaks at about 375 cm^{-1} (b) and 337 cm^{-1} (c) changes around 4.5 GPa; the FWHM of the
700 peak near 271 cm^{-1} becomes smaller above 5 GPa (d).

701 **Figure 7.** Experimental and calculated pressure dependence of the wavenumber of the A_g^{337} mode.
702 The slopes of the curves and the pressure at which they change are reported. The insert shows the
703 calculated wavenumbers of the two A_g modes that are involved in the anticrossing.

704 **Figure 8.** Calculated isomekes for quartz, zircon and omphacite inclusion in an almandine host,
705 obtained from the P_{inc} (equal to 0.0, 0.2, and 0.4 GPa) with the EoSFit–Pinc software (Angel et al.
706 2017b), using the equation of state of quartz (Angel et al. 2017a), zircon (Ehlers et al. 2022) and
707 almandine (Angel et al. 2022), while the HF/DFT calculated EoS was used for omphacite ($Jd_{50}Di_{50}$).
708 The α - β transition of quartz is represented in a red dashed line, line and the shaded vertical strip
709 represents the $P2/n$ -to- $C2/c$ omphacite transition.

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711 **Table 1**

	Natural-8 (10 pt)	Annealed-3 (5 pt)	Annealed-7 (3 pt)
SiO ₂	56.31(26)	55.79(25)	54.83(45)
Al ₂ O ₃	11.30(10)	11.24(6)	11.09(3)
TiO ₂	0.12(4)	0.14(3)	0.12(2)
Cr ₂ O ₃	0.04(4)	0.04(3)	0.29(1)
FeO	2.56(6)	2.57(10)	2.41(7)
MnO	0.01(2)	0.01(2)	0.02(3)
MgO	9.87(11)	9.84(11)	9.46(12)
CaO	15.27(11)	15.27(6)	14.72(15)
Na ₂ O	5.97(10)	5.99(15)	5.87(18)
K ₂ O	0.01(1)	0.03(5)	0.00(1)
Total	101.45(36)	100.93(39)	98.57(89)
Si	1.966(3)	1.961(2)	1.962(1)
Al	0.465(3)	0.466(2)	0.470(3)
Ti	0.003(1)	0.004(1)	0.003(1)
Cr	0.001(1)	0.001(1)	0.008(1)
Fe ²⁺	0.075(2)	0.076(3)	0.072(1)
Mn	0.000(0)	0.000(0)	0.001(1)
Mg	0.514(5)	0.516(5)	0.507(2)
Ca	0.571(5)	0.575(4)	0.567(1)
Na	0.404(6)	0.408(8)	0.409(9)
K	0.000(0)	0.002(2)	0.000(0)
Total	4.000(3)	4.007(3)	4.000(7)

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713 **Table 2**

Sample	Natural-8	Natural-11	Annealed-3	Annealed-7	Calculated (HF/DFT)
Space group	<i>P2/n</i>	<i>P2/n</i>	<i>C2/c</i>	<i>C2/c</i>	<i>P2/n</i>
<i>a</i> (Å)	9.5962(2)	9.5888(2)	9.6019(2)	9.5935(2)	9.614
<i>b</i> (Å)	8.7897(2)	8.7852(2)	8.7781(3)	8.7725(2)	8.781
<i>c</i> (Å)	5.2586(2)	5.2587(1)	5.2539(2)	5.2508(1)	5.287
β (°)	106.789(2)	106.855(2)	106.692(2)	106.696(2)	107.22
<i>V</i> (Å ³)	424.65(2)	423.96(2)	424.17(2)	423.27(2)	426.3

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715 **Table 3**

Sample	Natural-8	Natural-11		Annealed-3	Annealed-7		
Space group	<i>P2/n</i>	<i>P2/n</i>		<i>C2/c</i>	<i>C2/c</i>		
T1	Si	1.000(19)	1.000(18)	T	Si	0.9599(13)	0.9613(9)
	<i>eps</i>	14.000	14.000		Al	0.0401(13)	0.0387(9)
	<i>eps₀</i>	14.000	14.000		<i>eps</i>	13.96(3)	13.961(17)
	<T1-O>	1.6338(8)	1.6330(8)		<i>eps₀</i>	14.000	14.000
T2	Si	0.9741(13)	0.9756(13)		<T-O>	1.6333(10)	1.6319(5)
	Al	0.0259(13)	0.0244(13)	M1	Mg	0.235(3)	0.802(2)
	<i>eps</i>	13.97(3)	13.98(3)		Al	0.728(2)	0.102(2)
	<i>eps₀</i>	14.000	14.000		Fe ²⁺	0.037(2)	0.096(2)
	<T2-O>	1.6323(8)	1.6318(8)		<i>eps</i>	13.26(7)	13.43(5)
M1	Mg	0.882(2)	0.894(2)		<i>eps₀</i>	13.61(9)	13.56(9)
	Al	0.031(2)	0.015(2)		<M1-O>	2.0115(10)	2.0108(6)
	Fe ²⁺	0.087(2)	0.091(2)	M2	Ca	0.559(6)	0.560(3)
	<i>eps</i>	13.25(6)	13.30(7)		Na	0.441(6)	0.440(3)
	<i>eps₀</i>	13.31(7)	13.37(8)		<i>eps</i>	16.03(14)	16.04(7)
	<M1-O>	2.0761(8)	2.0789(7)		<i>eps₀</i>	15.73(14)	15.65(12)
M11	Mg	0.100(2)	0.081(2)		<M2-O>	2.4892(10)	2.4871(5)
	Al	0.846(2)	0.867(2)				
	Fe ²⁺	0.054(2)	0.052(2)				
	<i>eps</i>	13.60(6)	13.59(6)				
	<i>eps₀</i>	13.52(7)	13.43(7)				
	<M11-O>	1.9528(8)	1.9462(8)				
	<i>Q_{M1}</i>	0.828	0.864				
M2	Ca	0.3951(19)	0.3629(19)				
	Na	0.6049(19)	0.6370(19)				
	<i>eps</i>	14.56(5)	14.27(5)				
	<i>eps₀</i>	14.39(10)	13.97(12)				
	<M2-O>	2.4725(8)	2.4714(8)				
M21	Ca	0.7801(19)	0.8034(19)				
	Na	0.2199(19)	0.1966(19)				
	<i>eps</i>	18.02(5)	18.23(5)				
	<i>eps₀</i>	17.86(10)	17.93(12)				
	<M21-O>	2.5096(8)	2.5095(8)				
	<i>Q_{M2}</i>	0.397	0.453				

Note: *eps* = electron per site; *eps₀* = electron per site, calculated without chemical constraints

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717 **Table 4**

Mode	Calculated (HF/DFT)		Measured							
	ω	I	Natural-8		Natural-11		Annealed-3		Annealed-7	
	ω	I	ω	I	ω	I	ω	I	ω	I
A _g	142.34	10.69	146(1)	95.39	147(2)	44.38	146(1)	107.56	Not observed	
A _g	157.86	0.85	Not resolved		Not resolved					
A _g	190.94	5.63	194(3)	60.21	193(2)	18.97	189(1)	5.22	187(2)	1.72
A _g	215.48	6.47	220(3)	44.88	220(1)	77.24	225(2)	18.79	215(2)	67.30
A _g	229.60	1.67	238(2)	39.22	Not observed					
A _g	271.38	20.65	270(1)	27.57	271(1)	55.52	270(2)	2.32	267(1)	16.83
A _g	281.19	3.09	Not resolved		Not resolved					
A _g	300.37	5.72	301(2)	18.53	303(2)	16.88				
A _g	329.34	44.44	Not resolved		Not resolved					
A _g	337.48	123.53	335(1)	313.85	338(1)	293.94				
A _g	348.91	29.83	354(2)	202.48	Not resolved		350(1)	963.71	349(1)	190.36
A _g	375.24	43.96	Not resolved		372(1)	352.11				
A _g	381.97	130.59	380(1)	425.63	Not resolved		385(1)	175.16	382(2)	74.46
A _g	401.91	8.08	399(3)	348.59	397(2)	37.35				
A _g	410.63	136.60	414(1)	172.85	413(2)	86.02	410(1)	192.69	407(1)	94.08
A _g	452.38	0.88	Not resolved		Not resolved					
A _g	519.33	20.57	514(1)	6.32	516(1)	166.91	516(1)	65.84	513(2)	57.85
A _g	544.95	23.77	541(15)	210.92	541(1)	46.30				
A _g	562.54	51.87	563(1)	294.75	563(1)	217.96	561(1)	167.02	561(1)	145.63
A _g	609.11	49.85	595(2)	41.25	601(2)	14.54	594(2)	11.33	598(1)	19.62
A _g	688.08	1000.00	680(1)	1000.00	681(1)	1000.00	679(1)	1000.00	678(1)	1000.00
A _g	734.64	17.16	737(2)	3.28	734(2)	126.12				
A _g	899.22	35.84	882(2)	90.90	894(3)	133.15	877(2)	75.67	881(6)	41.35
A _g	916.33	78.28	911(2)	110.11	Not resolved		905(3)	90.16	906(8)	15.61
A _g	1007.44	601.98	1007(2)	508.12	1008(1)	608.87	1016(1)	424.02	1017(1)	946.97
A _g	1020.81	215.24	Not resolved		Not resolved					
A _g	1028.96	840.22	1023(2)	816.55	1026(1)	518.84				
A _g	1067.45	25.90	1096(2)	211.75	1076(3)	164.86				

Note: the calculated intensities correspond to polycrystalline material, whereas the listed experimental intensities for natural-8 and annealed-3 correspond to the square of (zz)-component of the Raman polarizability tensor measured in scattering geometry ($\mathbf{c} \parallel \mathbf{E}_i \parallel \mathbf{E}_s$), whereas the experimental intensities for natural-11 and annealed-7 correspond to a weighted sum of squared (xx)- and (yy)-components of the Raman polarizability tensor measured in scattering geometry ($\mathbf{c} \perp \mathbf{E}_i \parallel \mathbf{E}_s$), with weight coefficients depending on the \mathbf{b} -axis orientation with respect to the laser-beam propagation (random in our study).

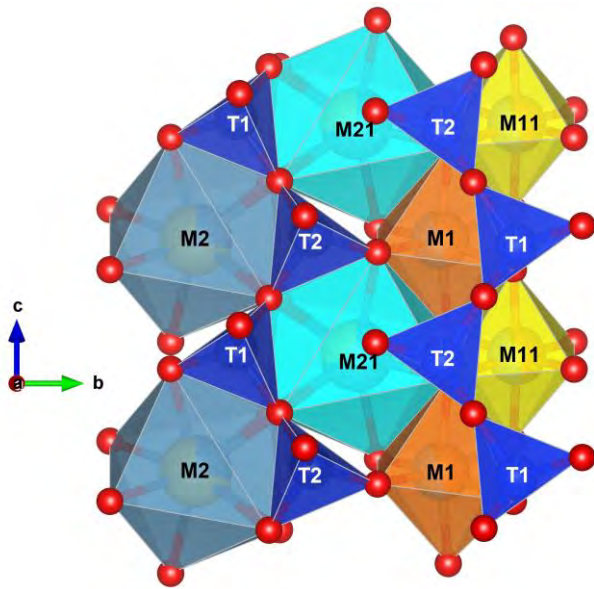
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719 **Table 5**

	Calculated (HF/DFT)	Pandolfo et al., 2012b	Pavese et al., 2001	Zhang et al., 2016
Di (wt%)	50.00	48.0	47.4	51.5
Jd (wt%)	50.00	52.0	46.4	46.5
Ae (wt%)	0.00	0.0	6.2	2.0
K ₀ (GPa)	119(2)	122(1)	117(3)	116(2)
K'	4.9(5)	5.1(3)	6.0(1)	4.3(2)
V ₀ (Å ³)	426.52(3)	421.43(4)	422.2(1)	423.9(3)
Q _{M1}	1	0.8956	0.84	0.81
Q _{M2}	1	0.4993	0.42	0.39
P (GPa)	0-6	0-7.5	0-13	0-47
T (°C)	25	25	25	25

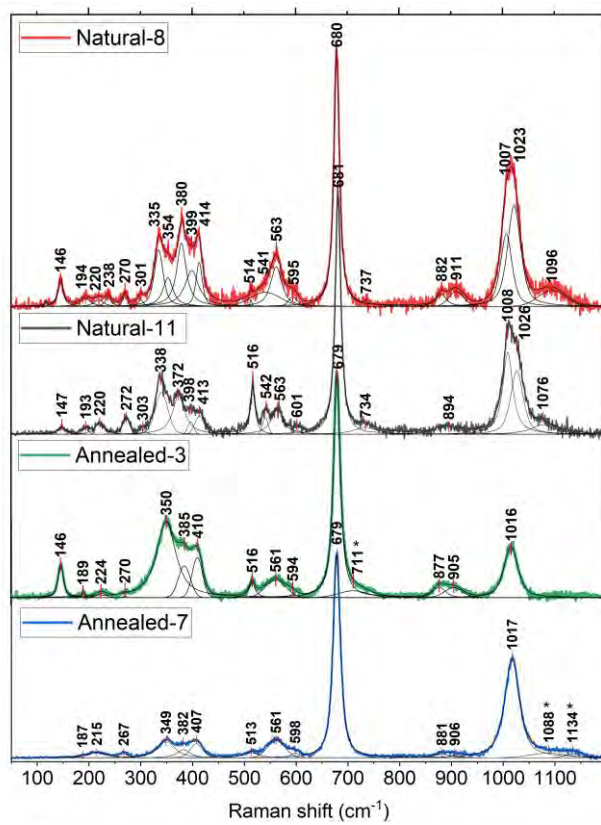
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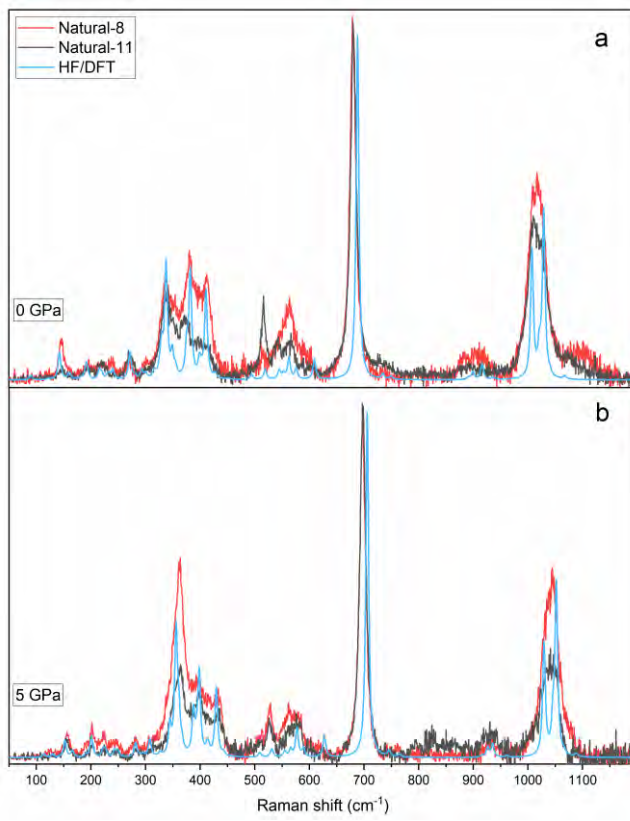
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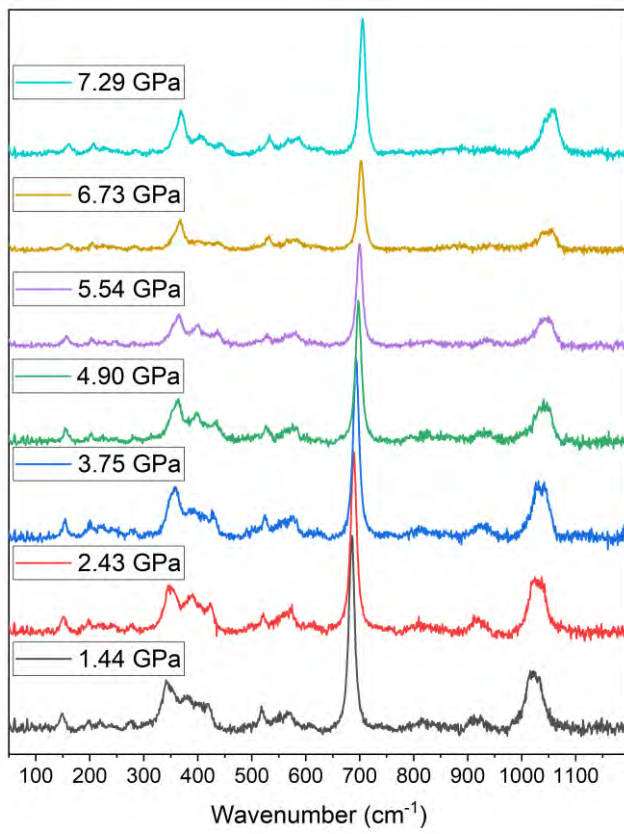
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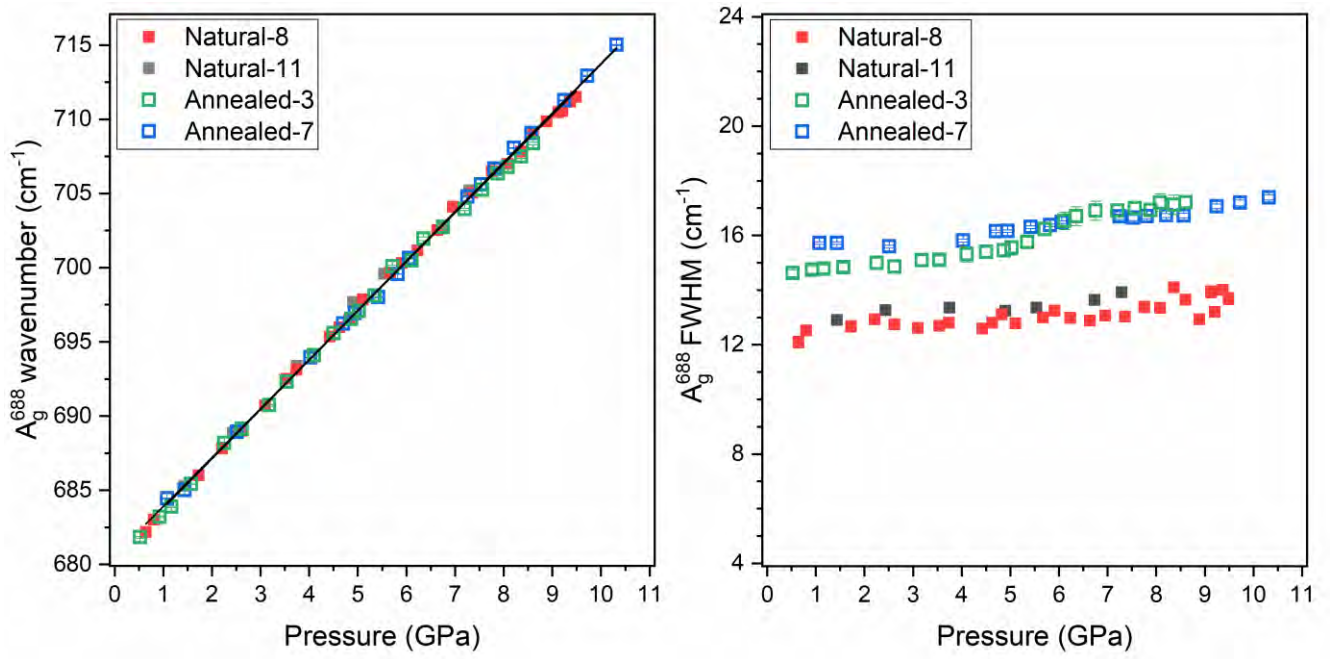
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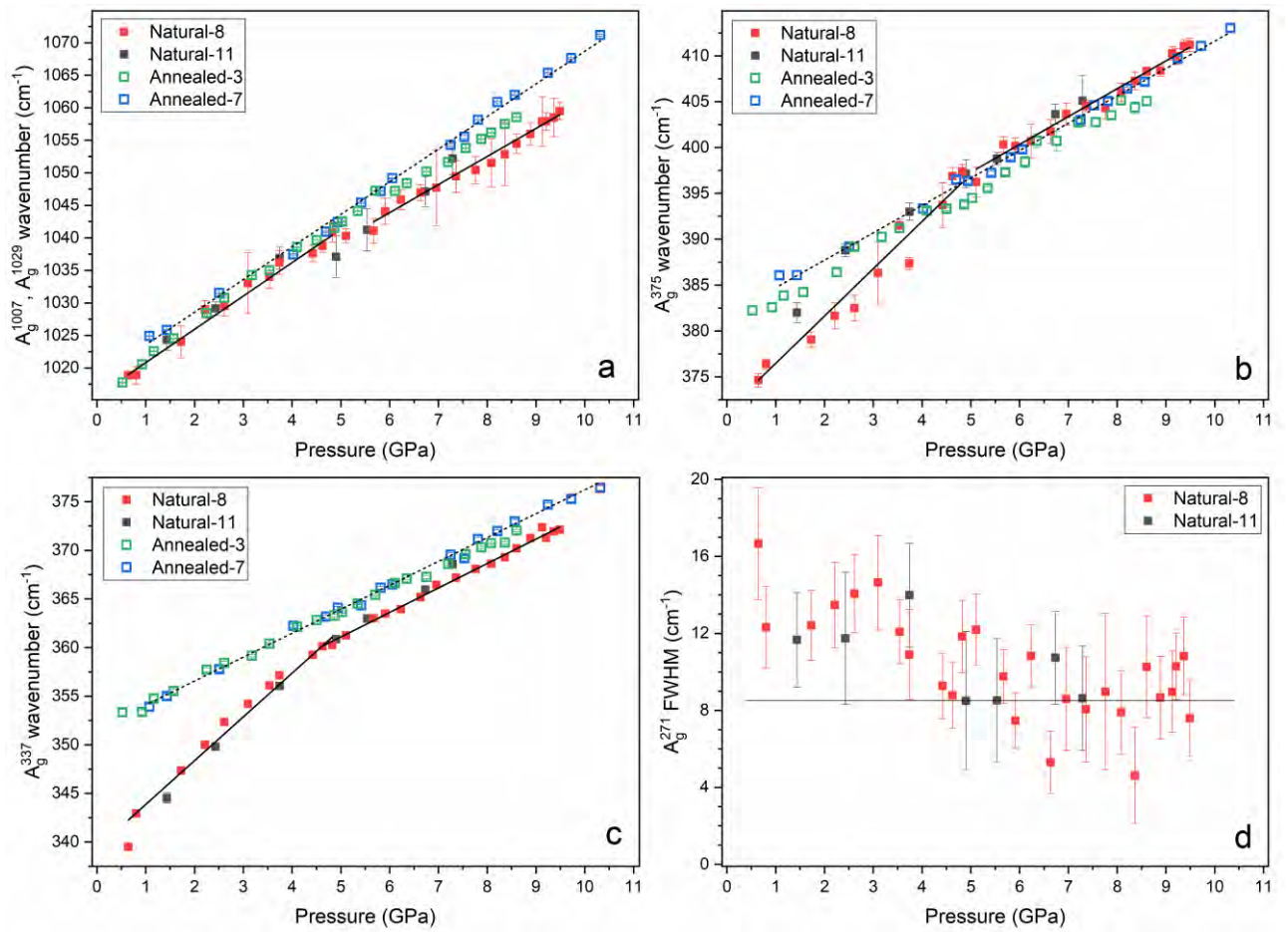
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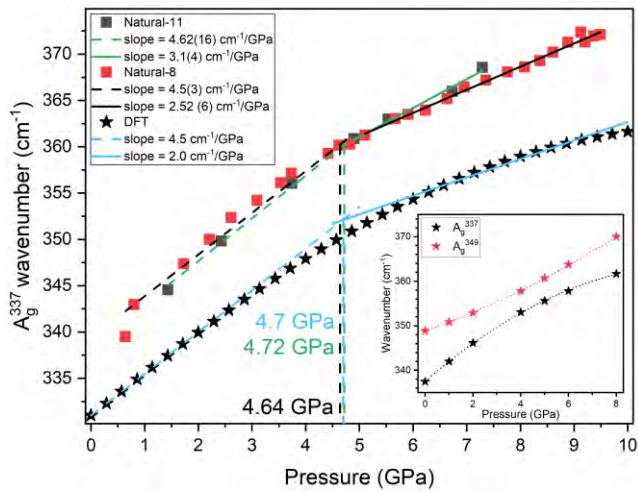
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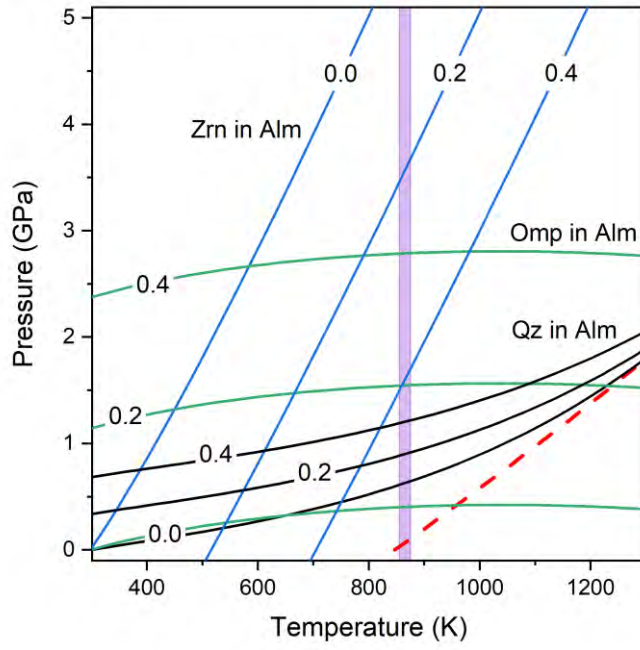
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