

Laboratory approaches to composition, origin, and evolution of the solid Earth

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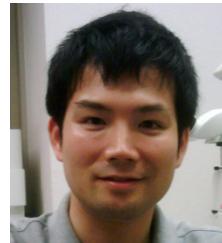
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Current ELSI-ES members (to be expanded to 10-15 members soon)



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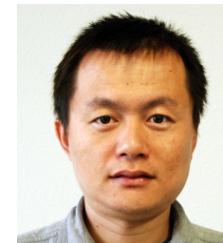
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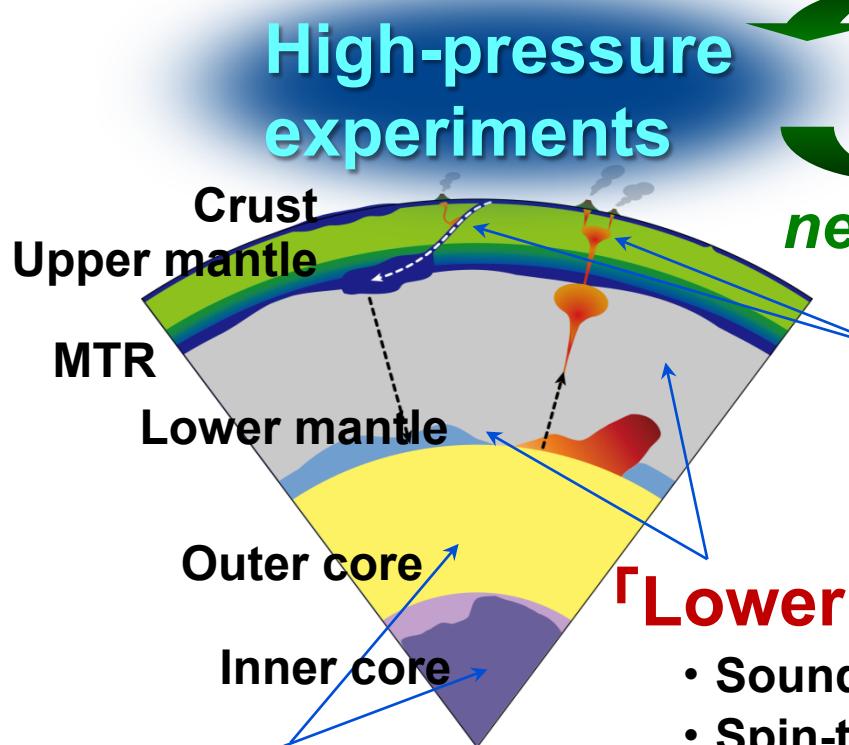
H. Ichikawa



S. Great

Research targets at GRC

prediction and interpretation



High-pressure
experiments



Numerical
simulations

「Core Materials」

- Crystal structure of iron
- Effects of light elements
- Structure and dynamics of inner core

「Deep Earth Water」

- Structure of hydrous melts
- Phase transitions in hydrous minerals
- Symmetrization of hydrogen bond

「Lower Mantle」

- Sound velocities of lower mantle materials
- Spin-transitions in Fe and their implications
- Post-perovskite transition and mantle dynamics

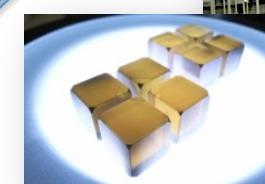
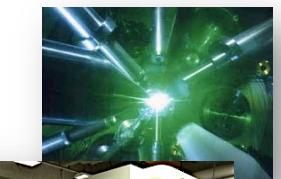
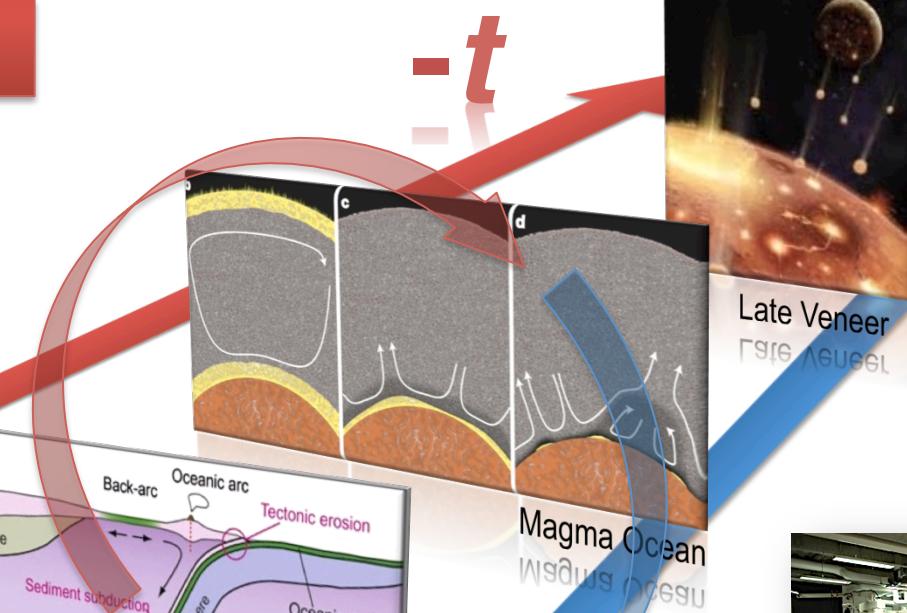
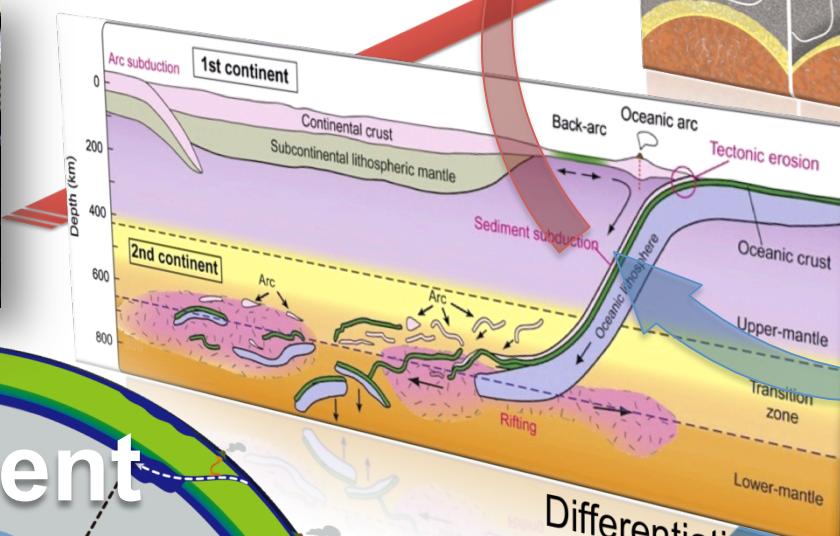
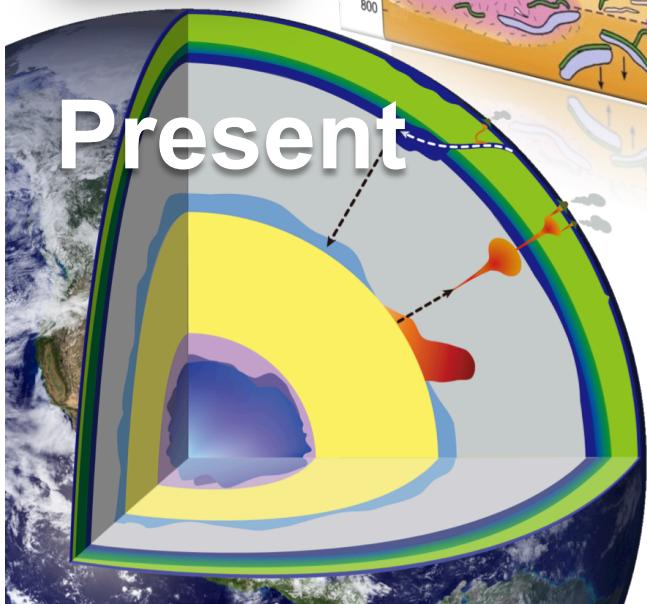
Phase transitions and structures of current Earth

Research concept at ELSI-

ES

Clock-back

- Bulk Earth composition
- Distribution of volatile elements
- Dynamic behaviors

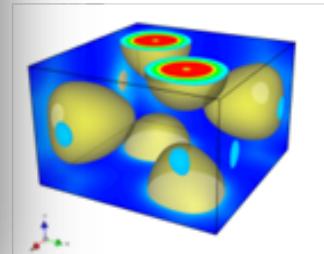


Forward modeling

- Early Earth environment
- Crystallization of primordial melt
- Properties of early Earth materials

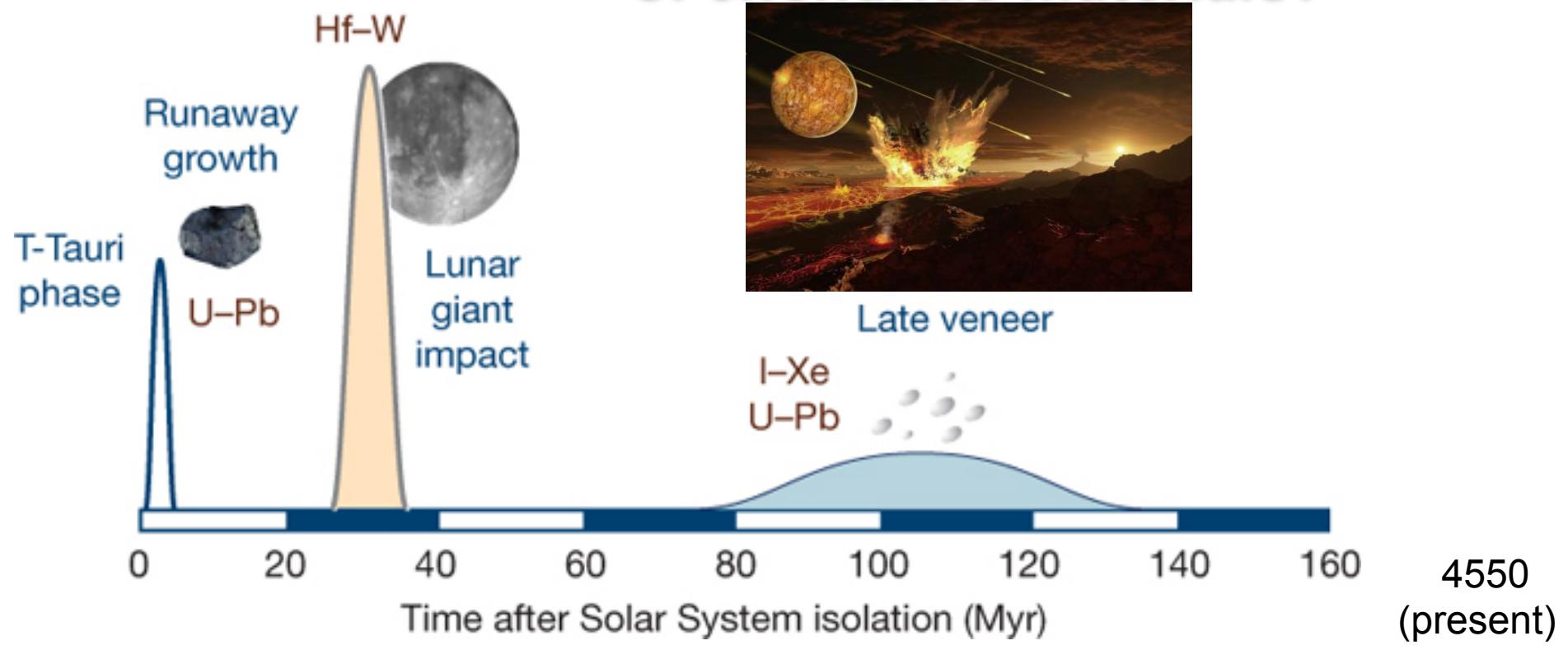
Research targets at ELSI-ES

- Chemistry of the lower mantle and bulk Earth
- Differentiation and element partitioning
- Distribution and circulation of water
- Thermal structure and evolution
- Laser shock and origin of life
 - ✓ *Large-press experiments*
 - ✓ *Ab initio computations*
 - ✓ *Quantum-beam applications*



Early Earth

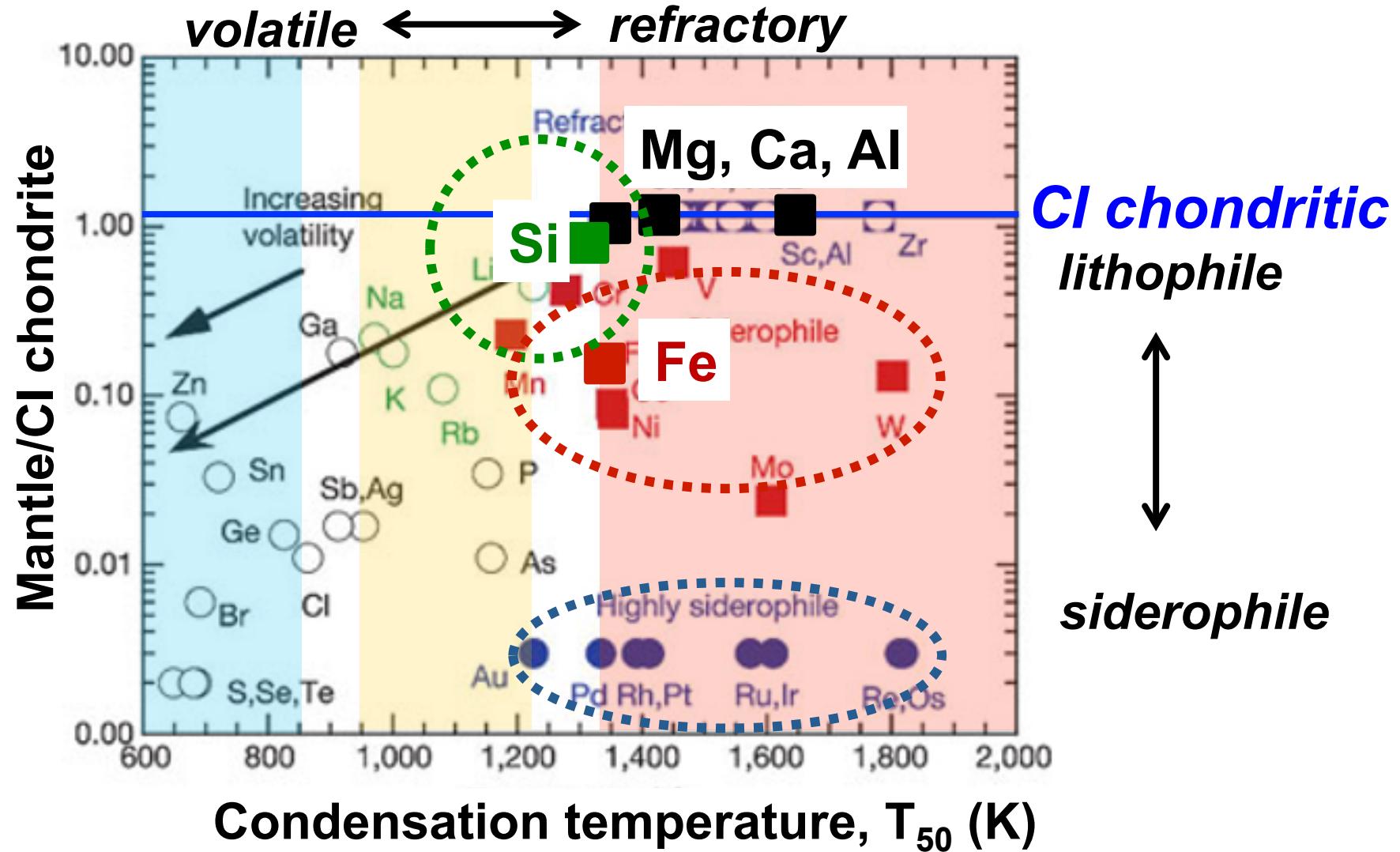
*Late veneer:
addition of volatile-rich
CI chondritic materials?*



Albarede (2009)

time

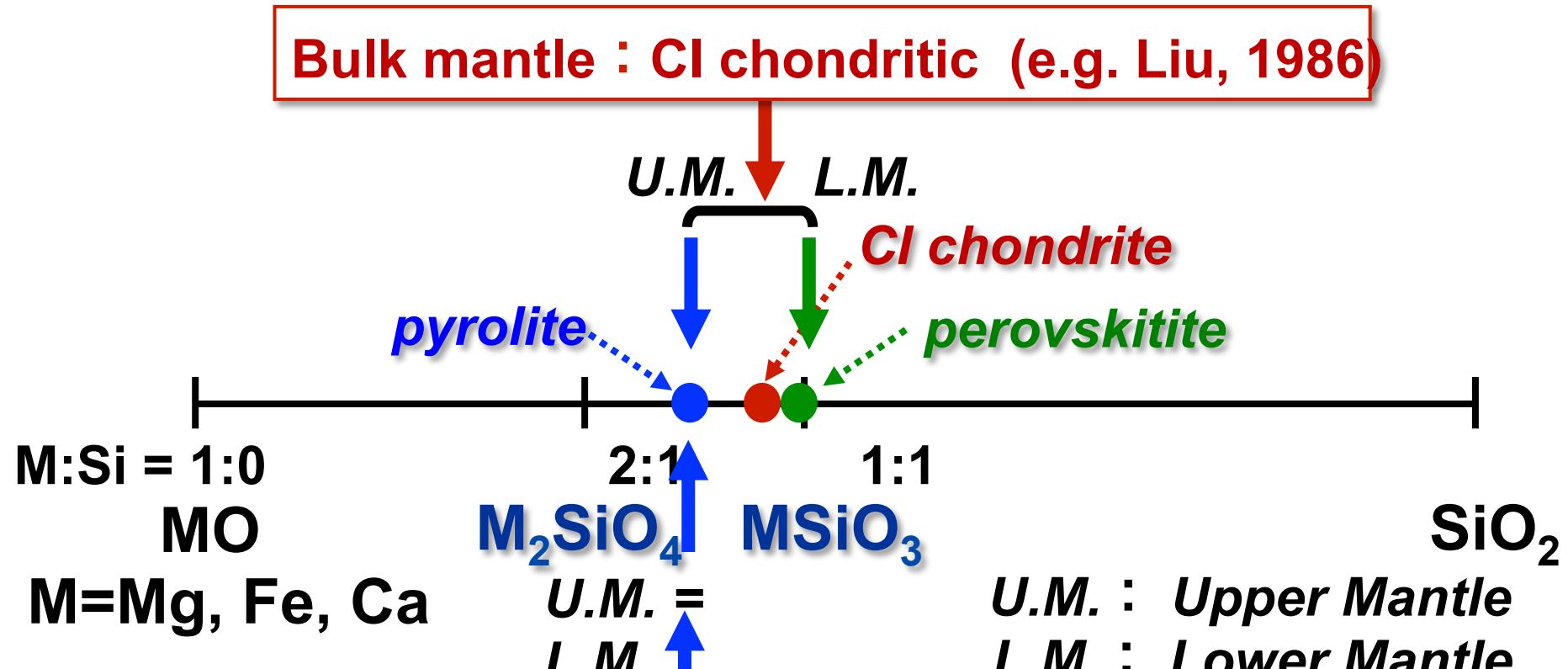
Element abundances in the Earth's mantle



after Wood et al. (2006)

Chemical models of Earth's mantle

1) The Earth was made of CI chondrite (-volatile)

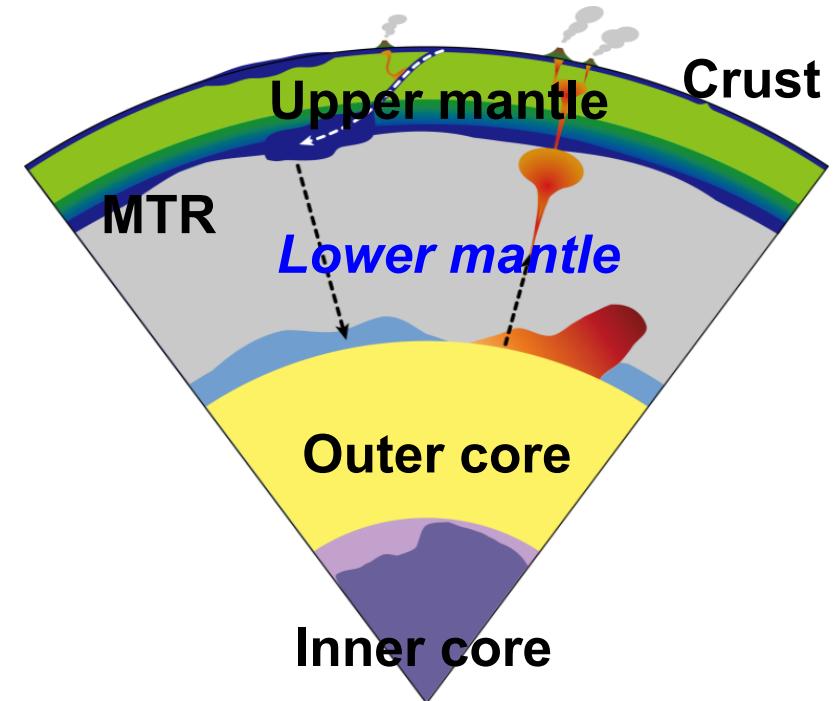
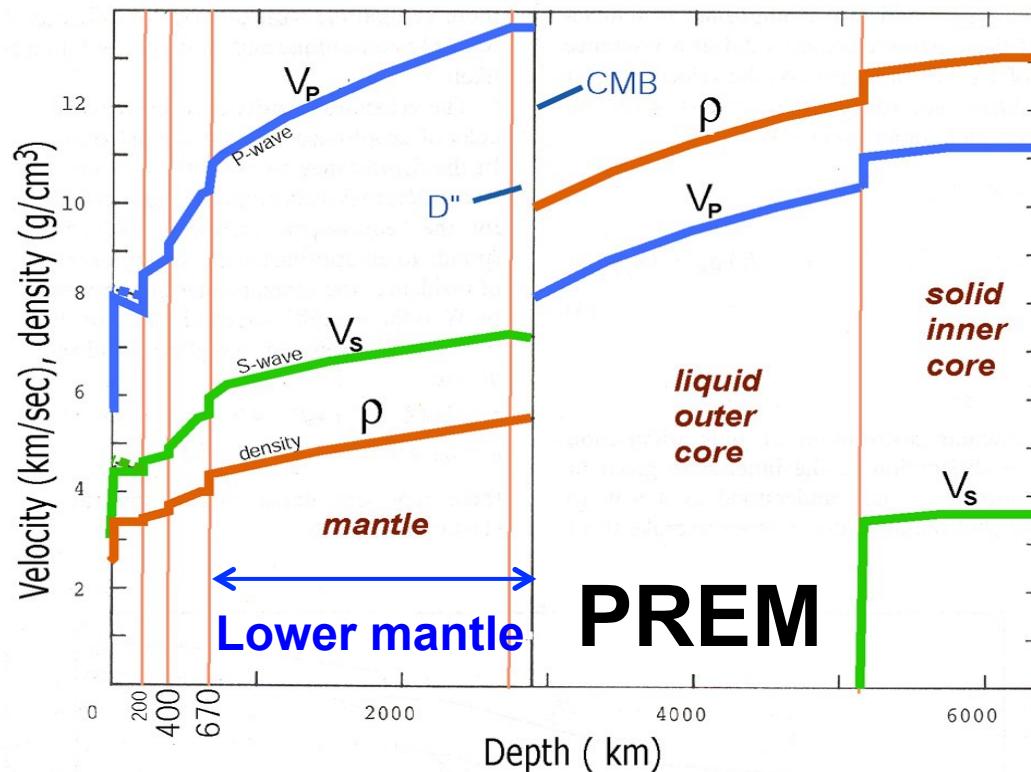


Bulk mantle : pyrolytic (e.g. Ringwood,

1979)

2) The Earth was originally depleted in Si

Mineral physics test



Lower mantle > half of the volume of the entire Earth

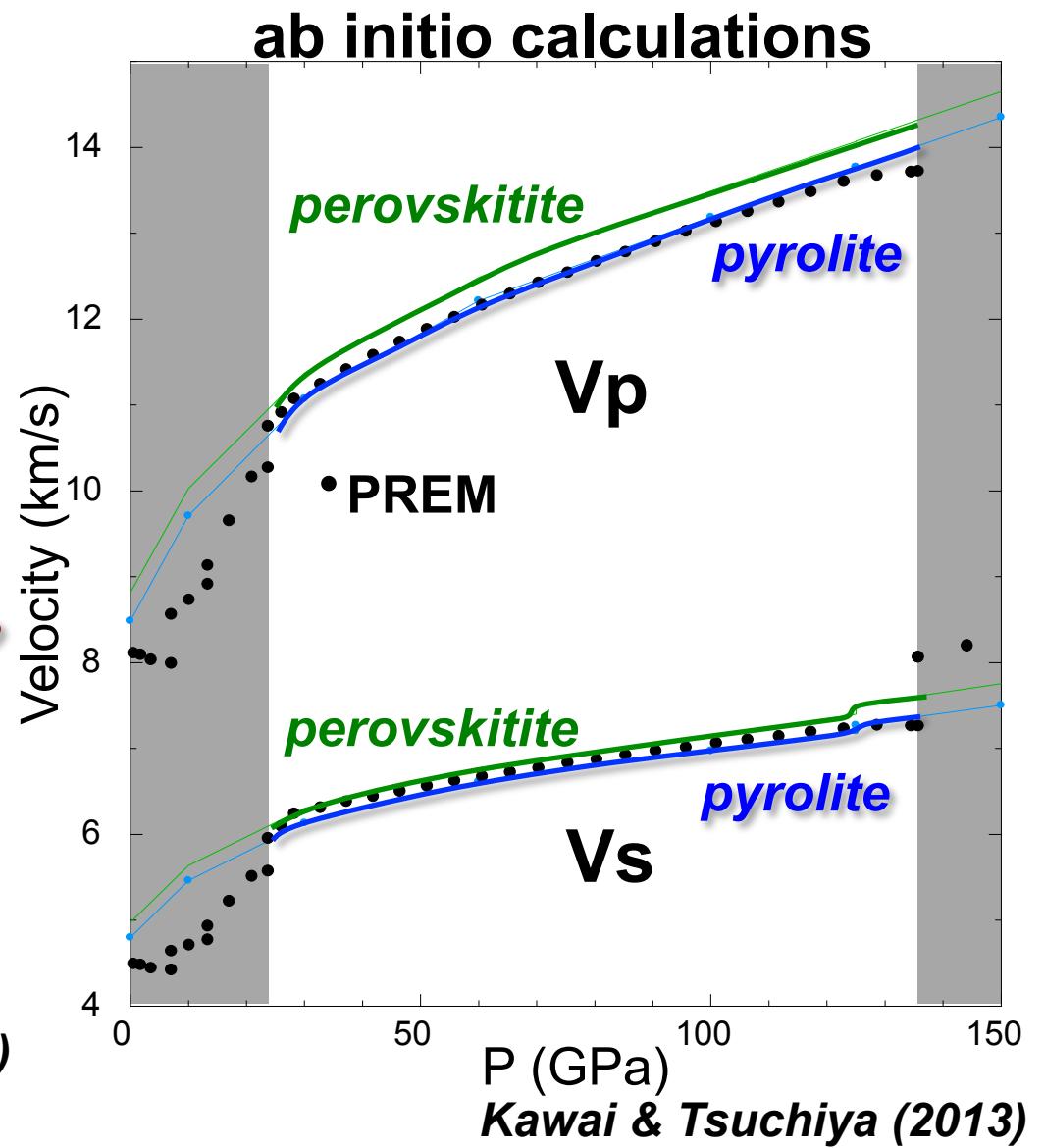
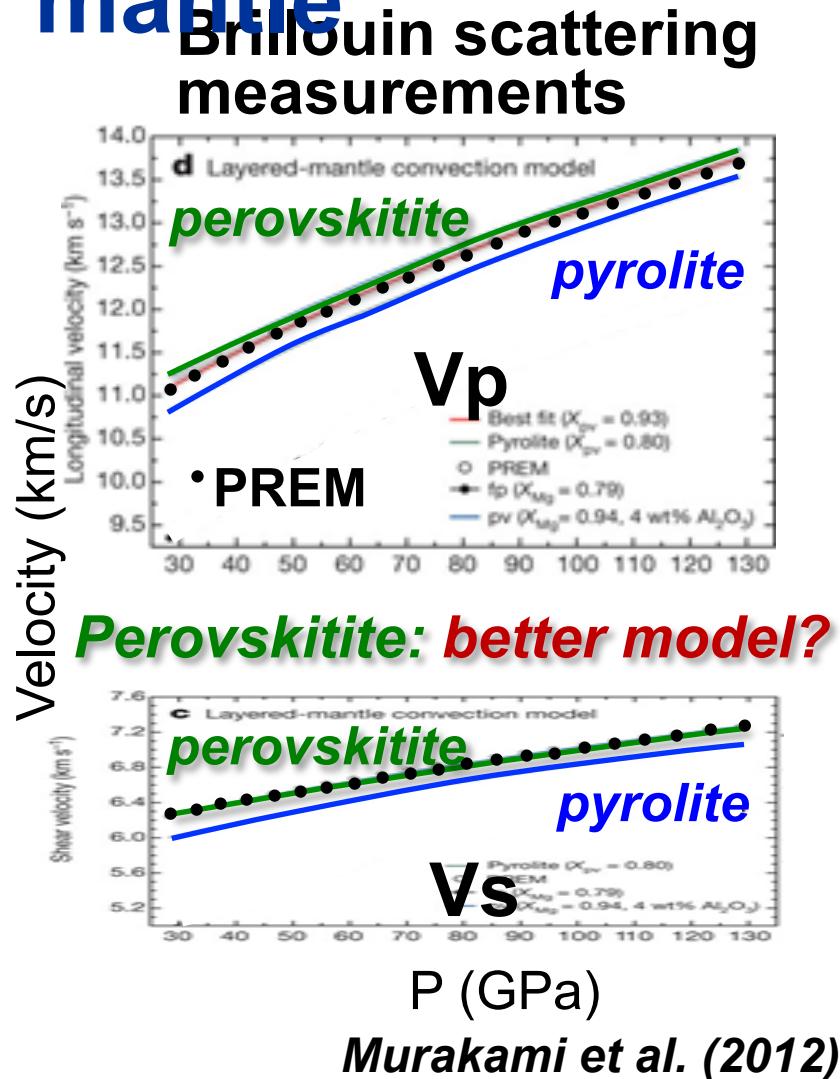
seismological models



Lower mantle: pyrolite or perovskite?

*laboratory
measurements*

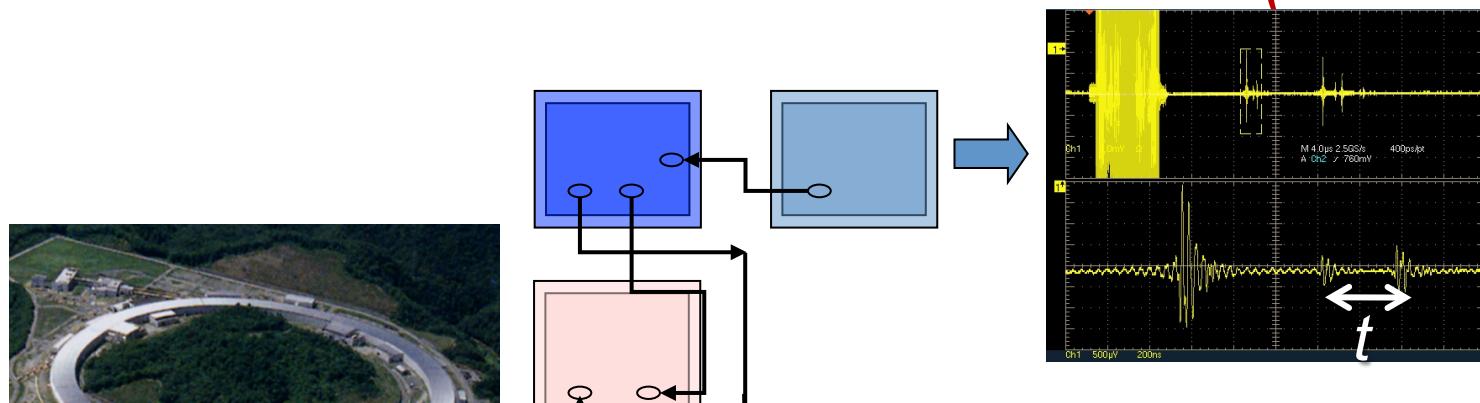
Sound velocities in the lower mantle



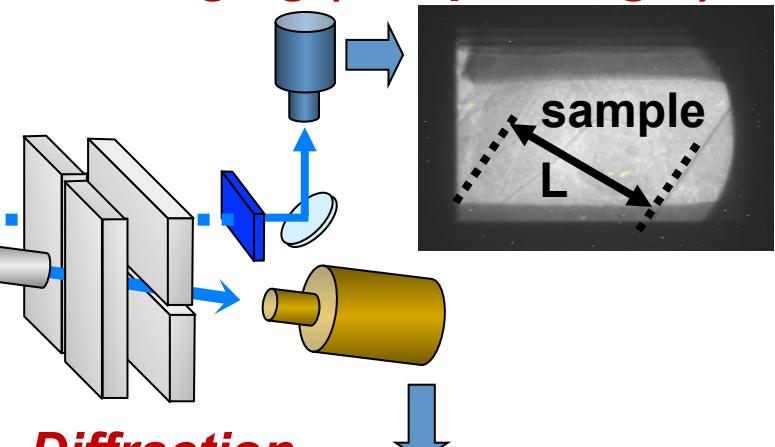
Theory: higher velocities for MgSiO_3 -Perovskite

Ultrasonic set-up at SPring-8

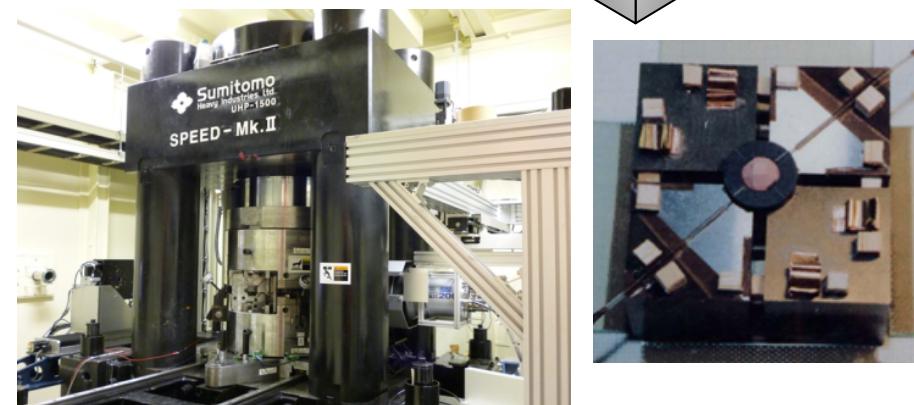
Ultrasonic (travel time)



Imaging (sample length)

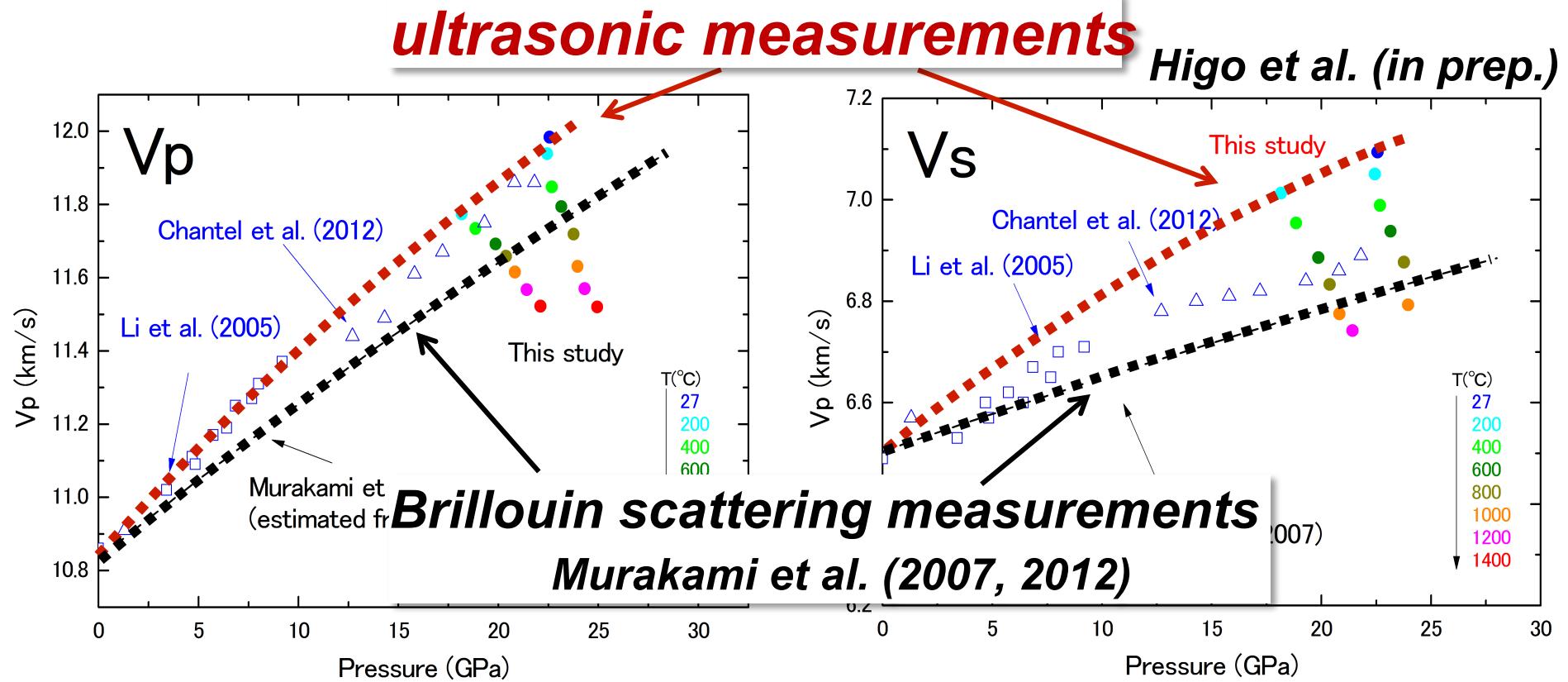


*Diffraction
(phase, density, pressure)*



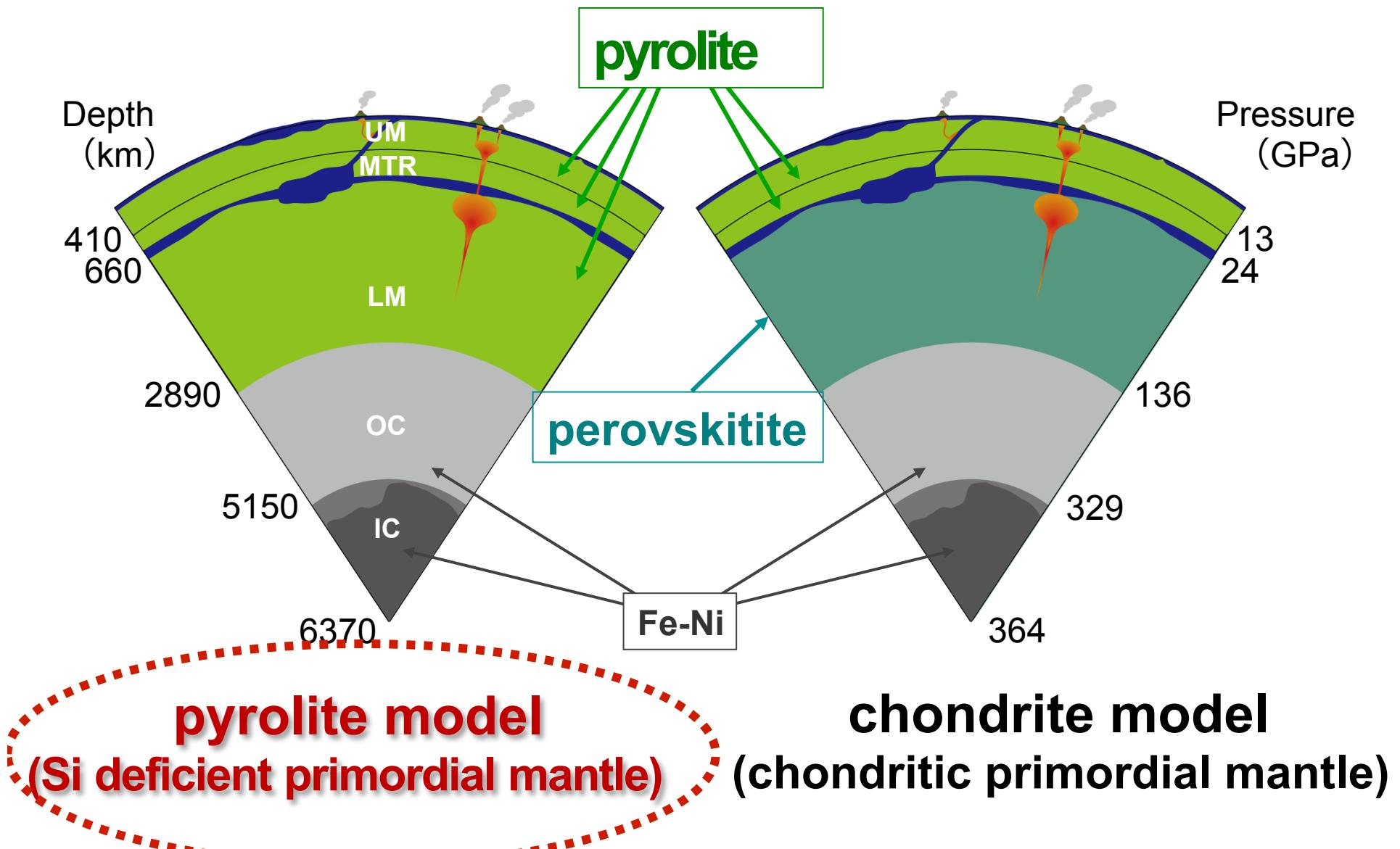
*Higo et al. (2008)
Irifune et al. (2008)*

Sound velocities of Mg-perovskite

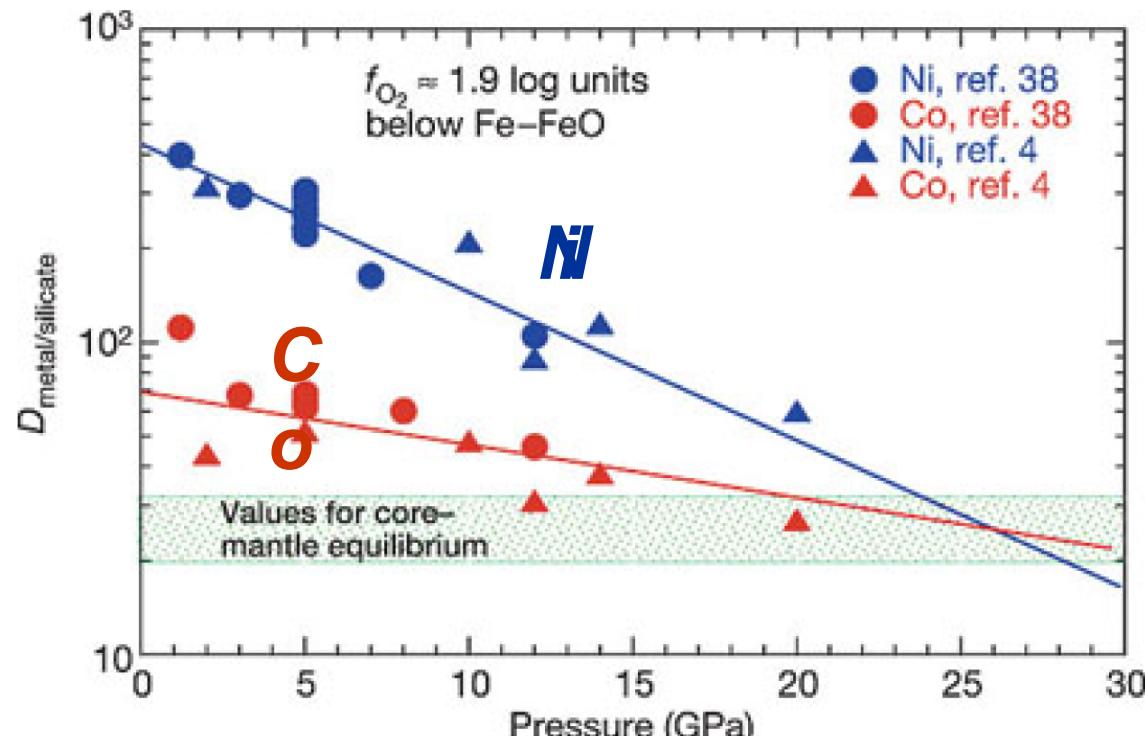


*consistent with ab initio calculations...
pyrolytic lower mantle?*

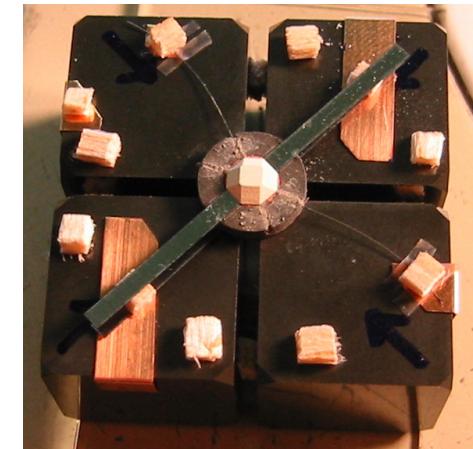
Composition of the lower mantle



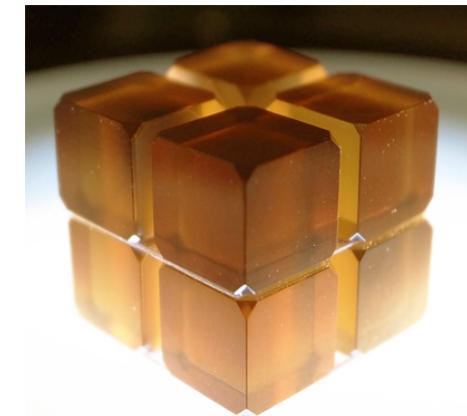
Partitioning in lower mantle (Irifune)



Wood et al. (2006)



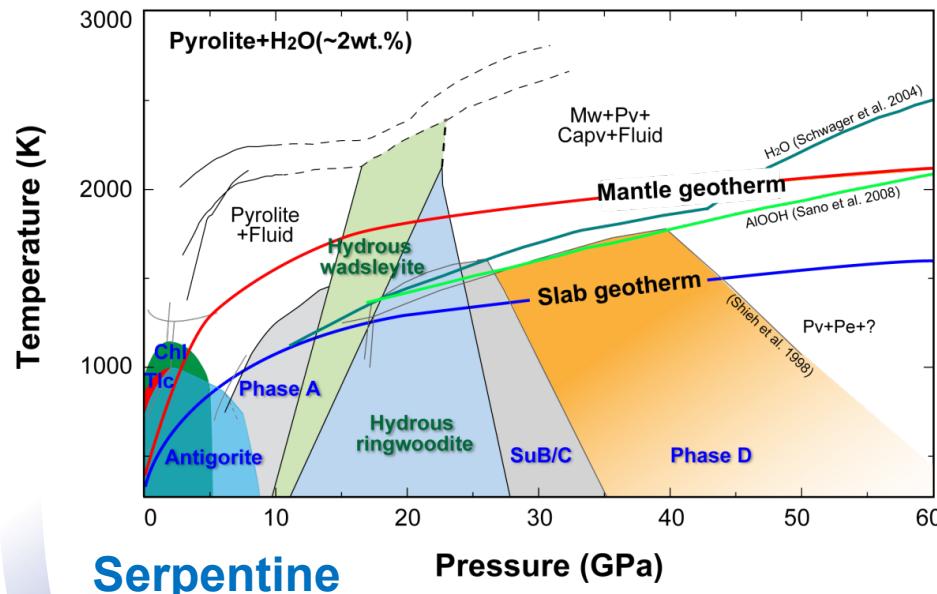
Sintered diamond anvils



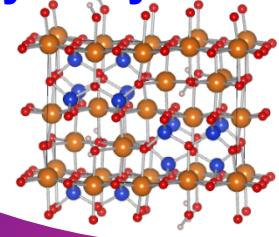
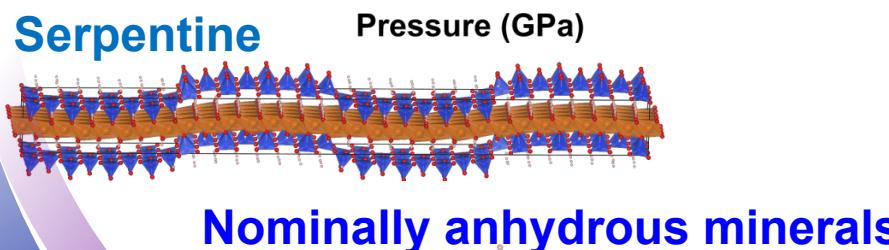
Nano-polycrystalline
diamond anvils

**Concept of “lithophile”, “siderophile”
may not be valid any more ...needs
laboratory studies under LM
conditions**

Distribution of water (J. Tsuchiya)

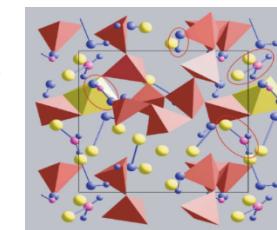


J-PARC neutron facility



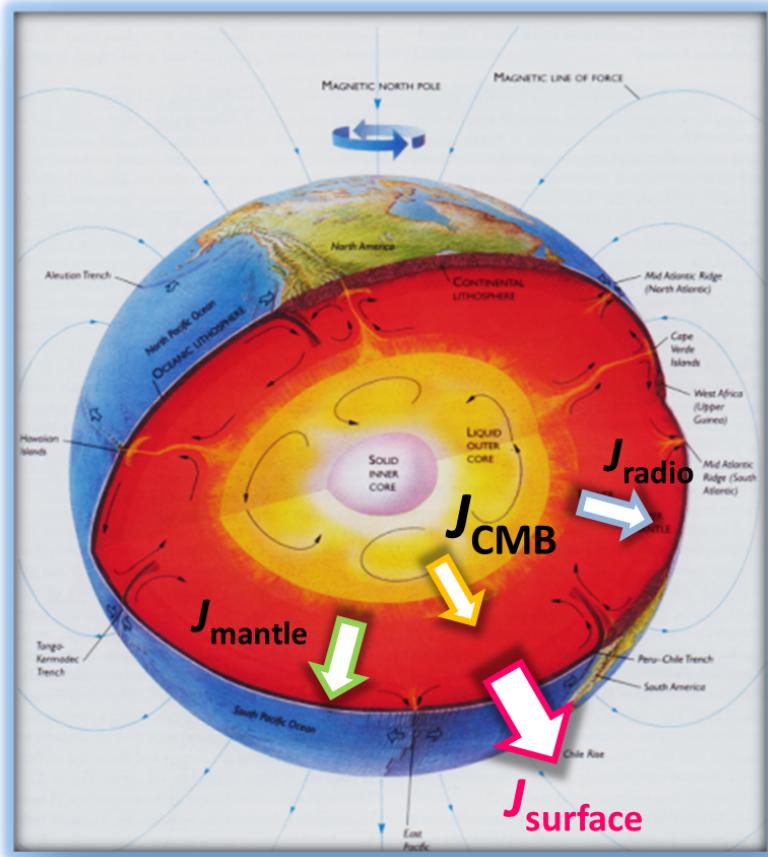
Hydrous magma

• Water storage capacity



*Estimation of current
water inventory*

Thermal evolution of Earth (T. Tsuchiya)

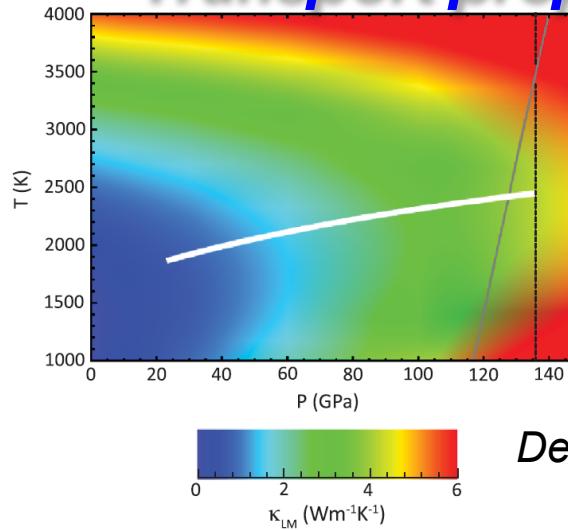


$J_{\downarrow CMB} \uparrow$ From core $\gg J_{\downarrow CMB} \uparrow$ To mantle

???

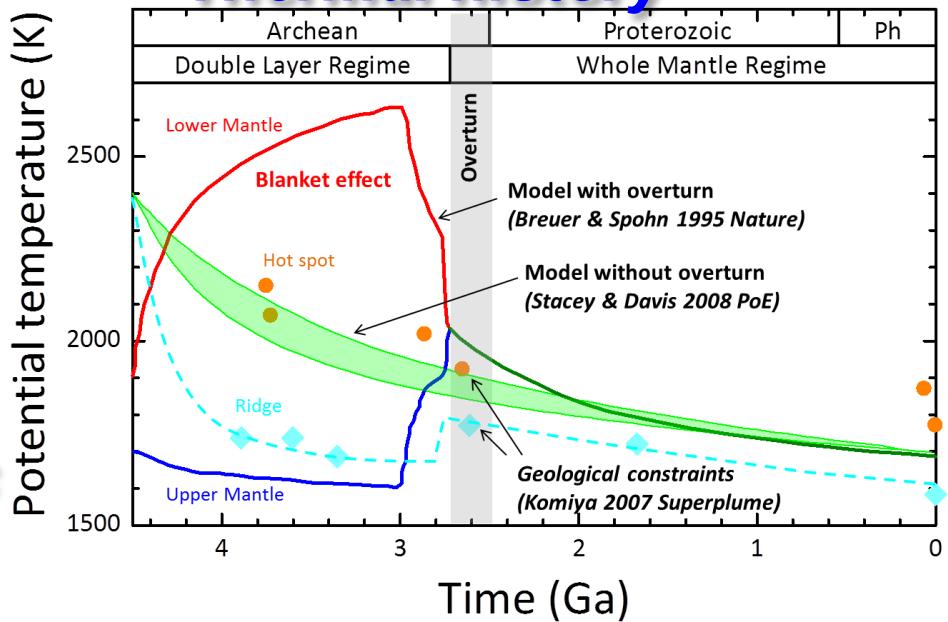
How affect interior dynamics
& surface environment?

- *Transport properties*



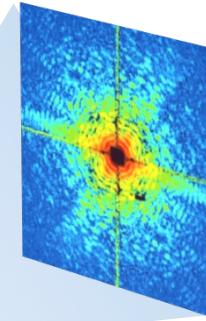
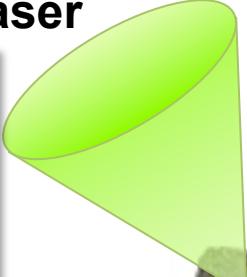
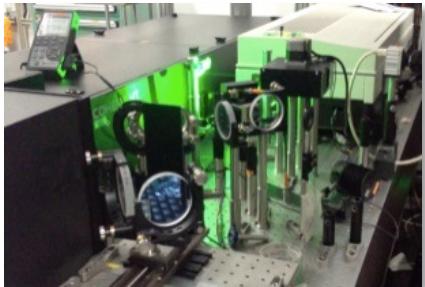
Dekura et al. (2013)

- *Thermal history*

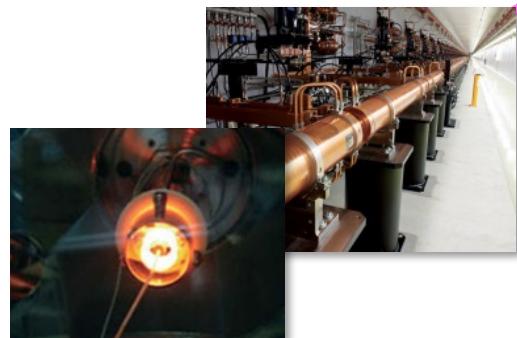


Laser shock with X-FEL (Tange)

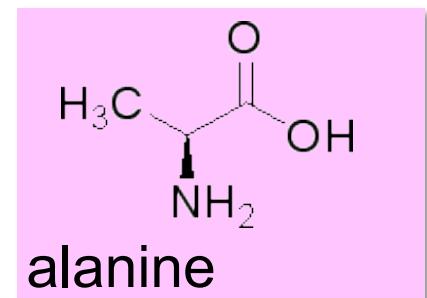
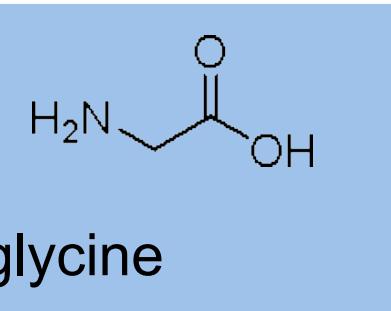
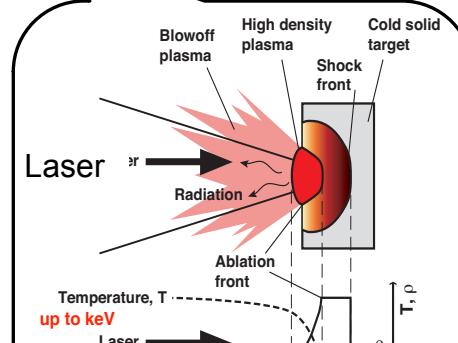
Synchronized pump laser



Coherent diffraction imaging



SACLA XFEL-probe



Challenges to the origin of life

- **Laser-shock on primordial materials**
- **Ultrafast time-resolve observations**
- **Survival rates of amino acids**

Origin of life on the early Earth

(1) Endogenous production (e.g. Miller & Urey, 1959)

- Electrical discharges in the atmosphere
- Heating at submarine hydrothermal vents

(2) Impact-shock synthesis (e.g. Gilvarry & Hochstim, 196

- Shock heating of atmosphere by meteoroid impact
- Meteoritic impacts to the ocean

(3) Exogenous Delivery (e.g. Chyba et al., 1990)

- Asteroids
- Comets
- Interplanetary dust particles



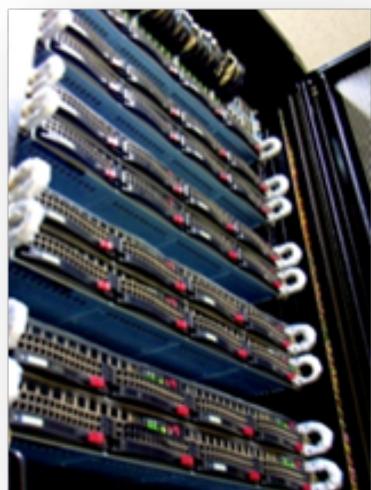
Survival of amino acids?



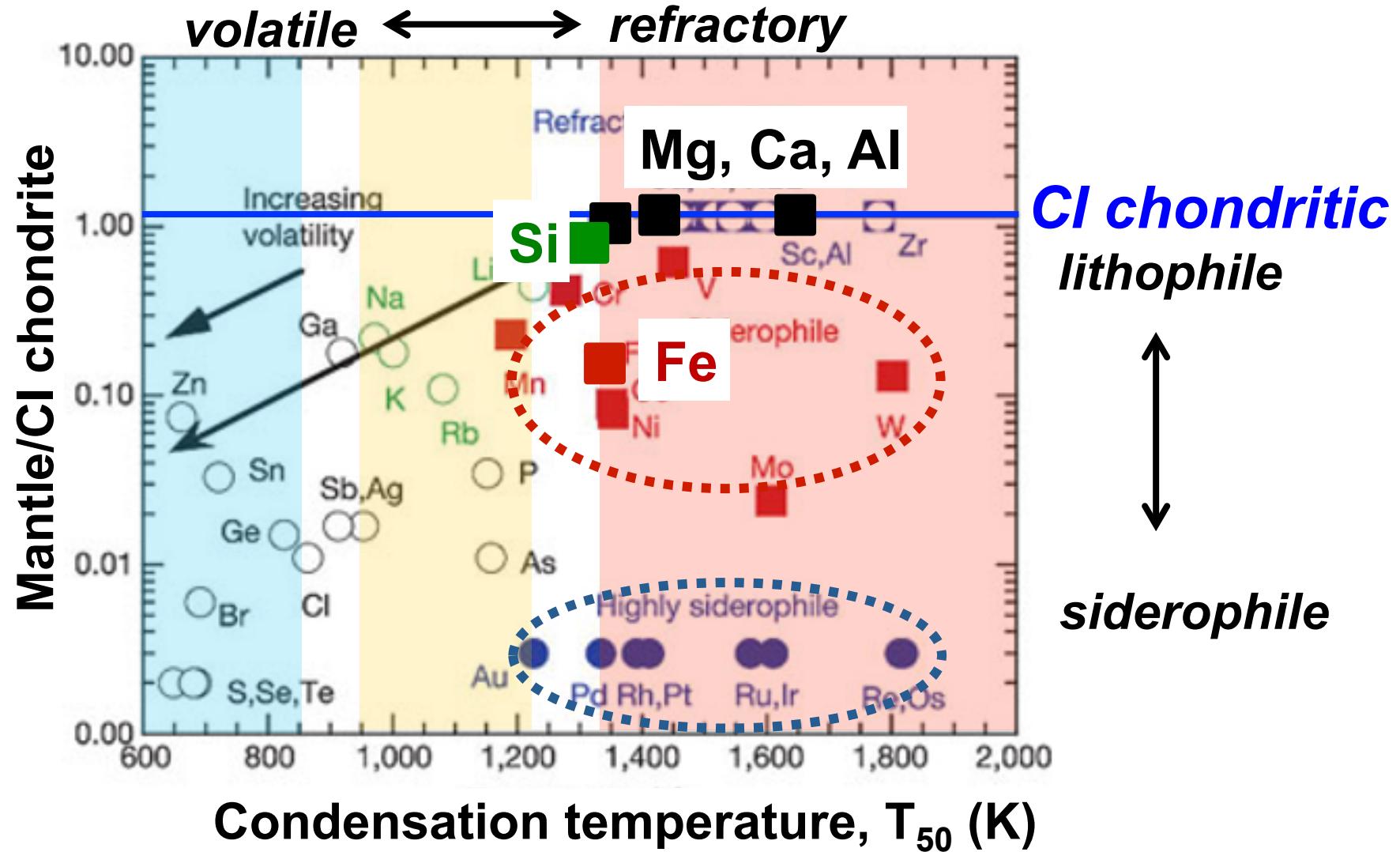
...may be solved by FEL+ laser shock experiments?

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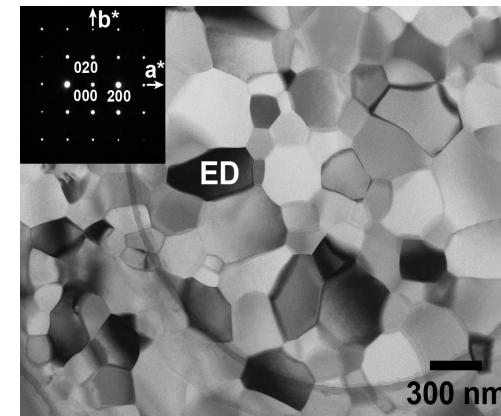
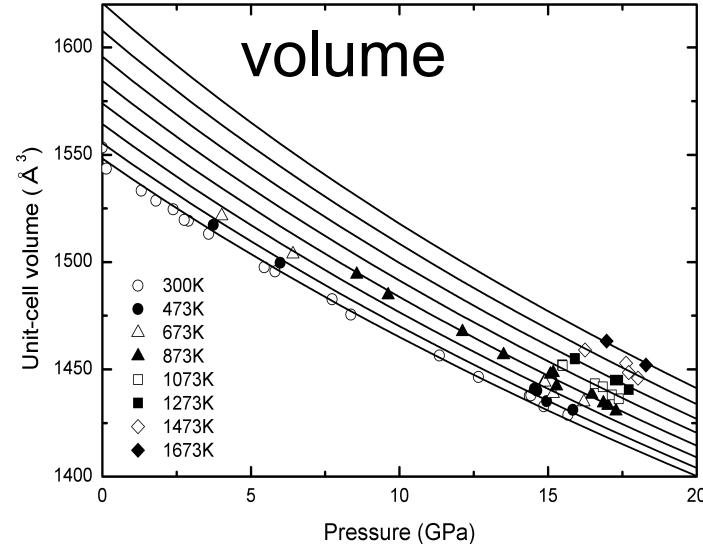
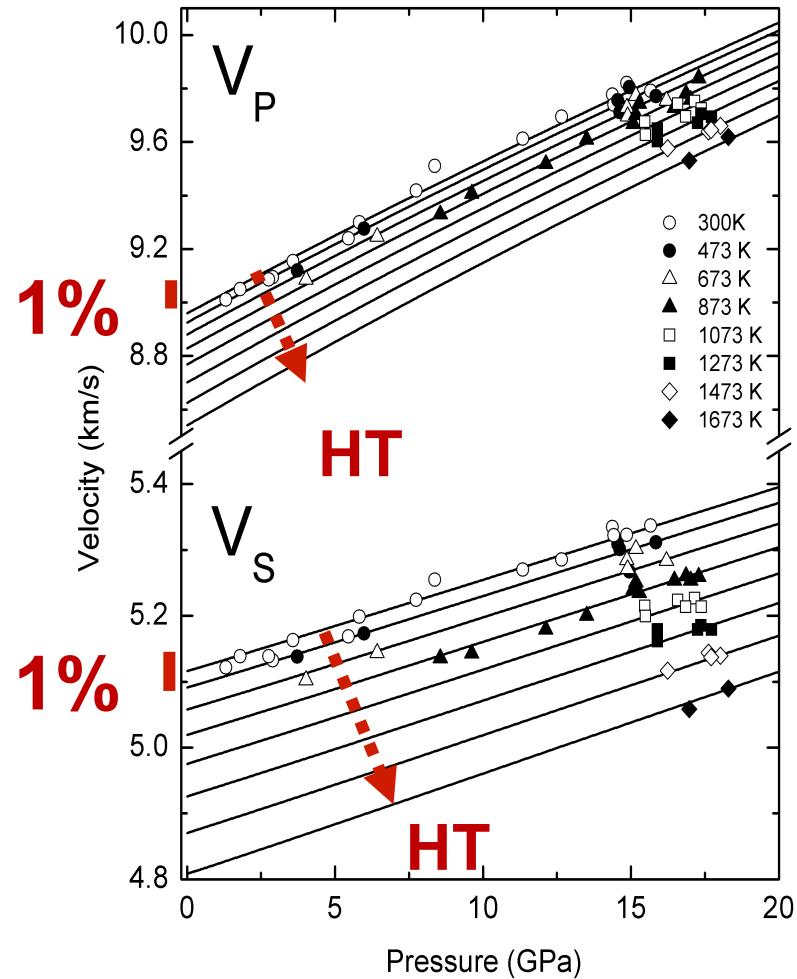


Element abundances in the Earth's mantle



Wood et al. (2006)

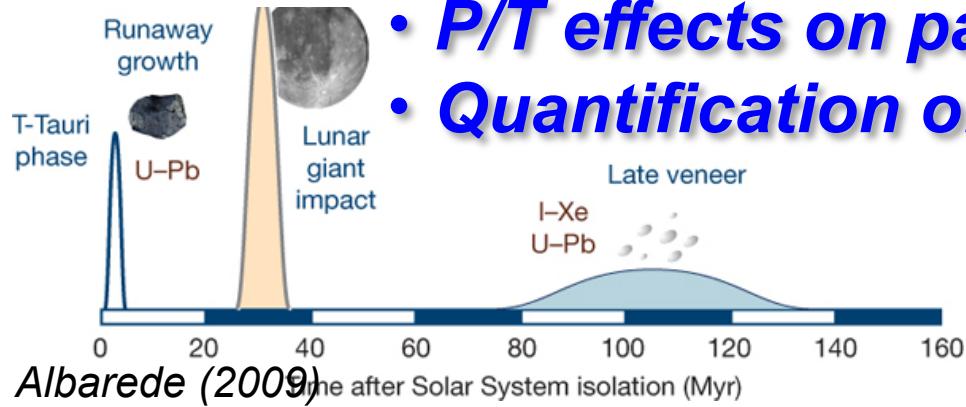
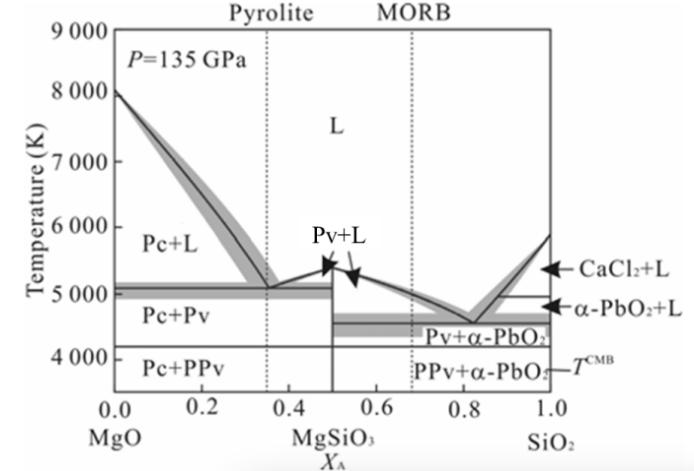
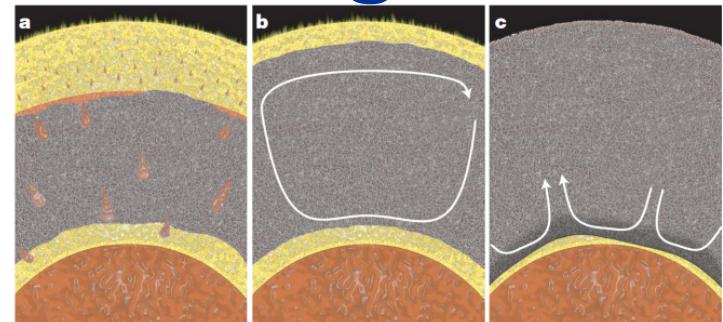
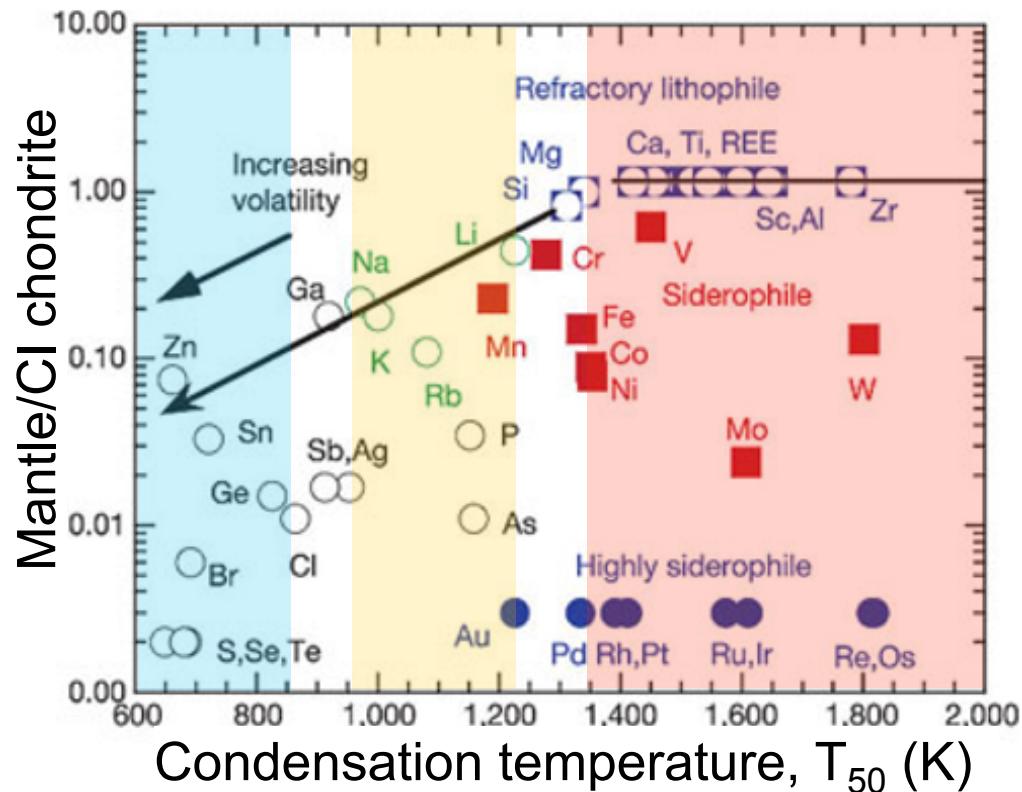
Sound velocities of pyrolytic majorite



Irifune et al. (2008)

**Upper mantle and mantle transition region:
Pyrolytic (Irifune et al., Nature 2008)**

Melting and element partitioning

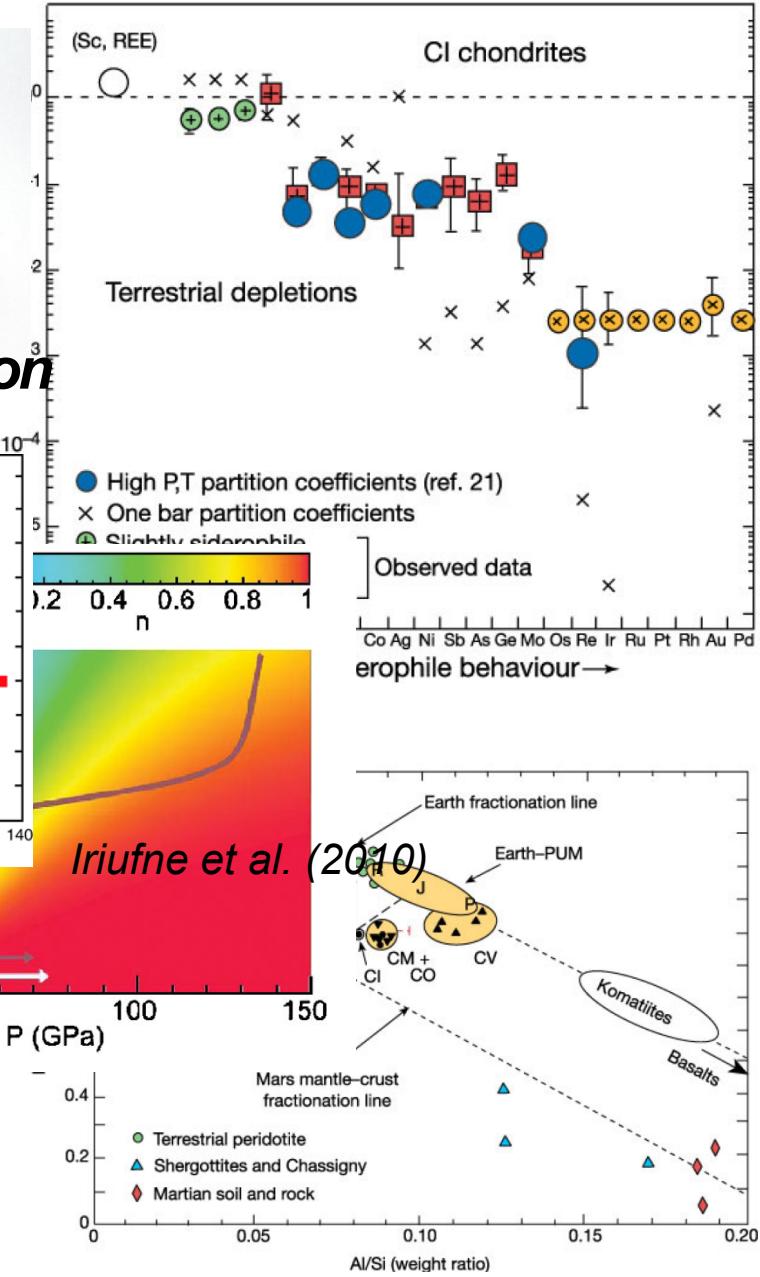
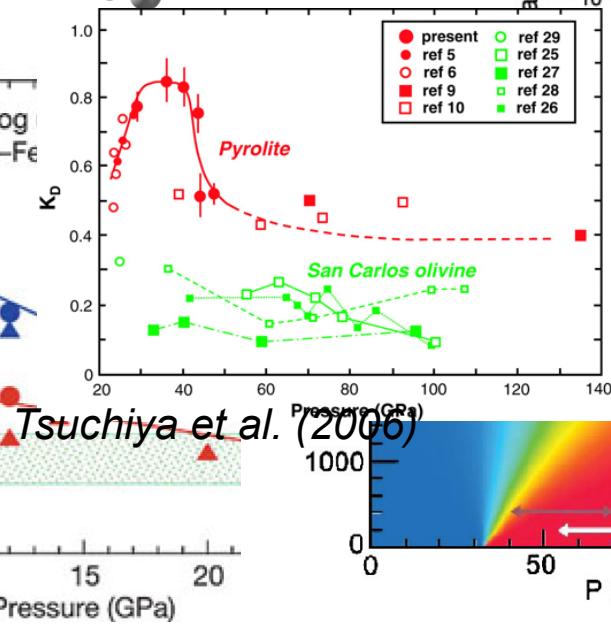


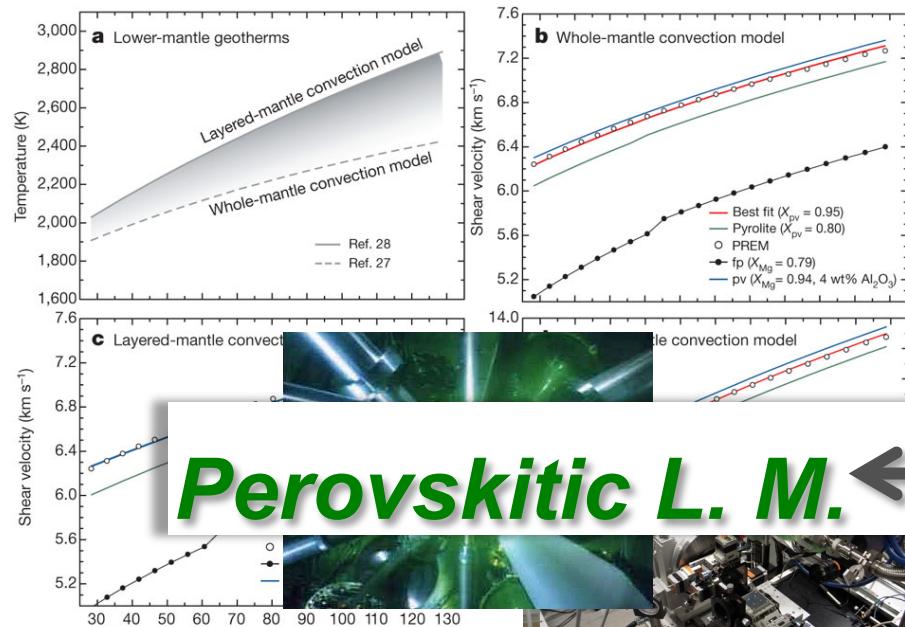
- *P/T effects on partitioning*
- *Quantification of “late veneer”*



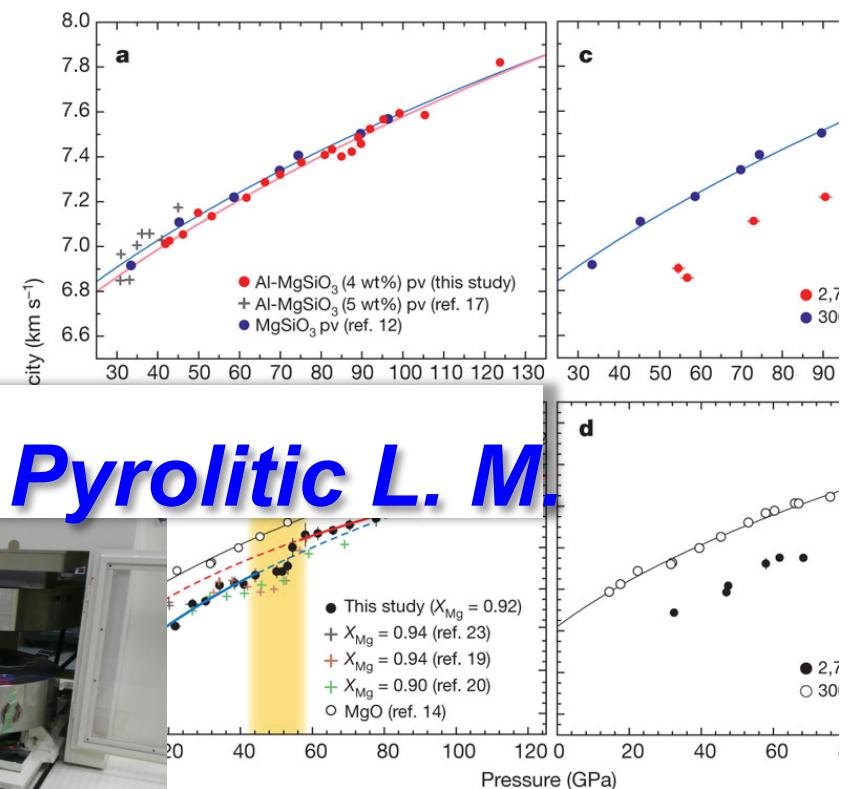


Fe spin transition

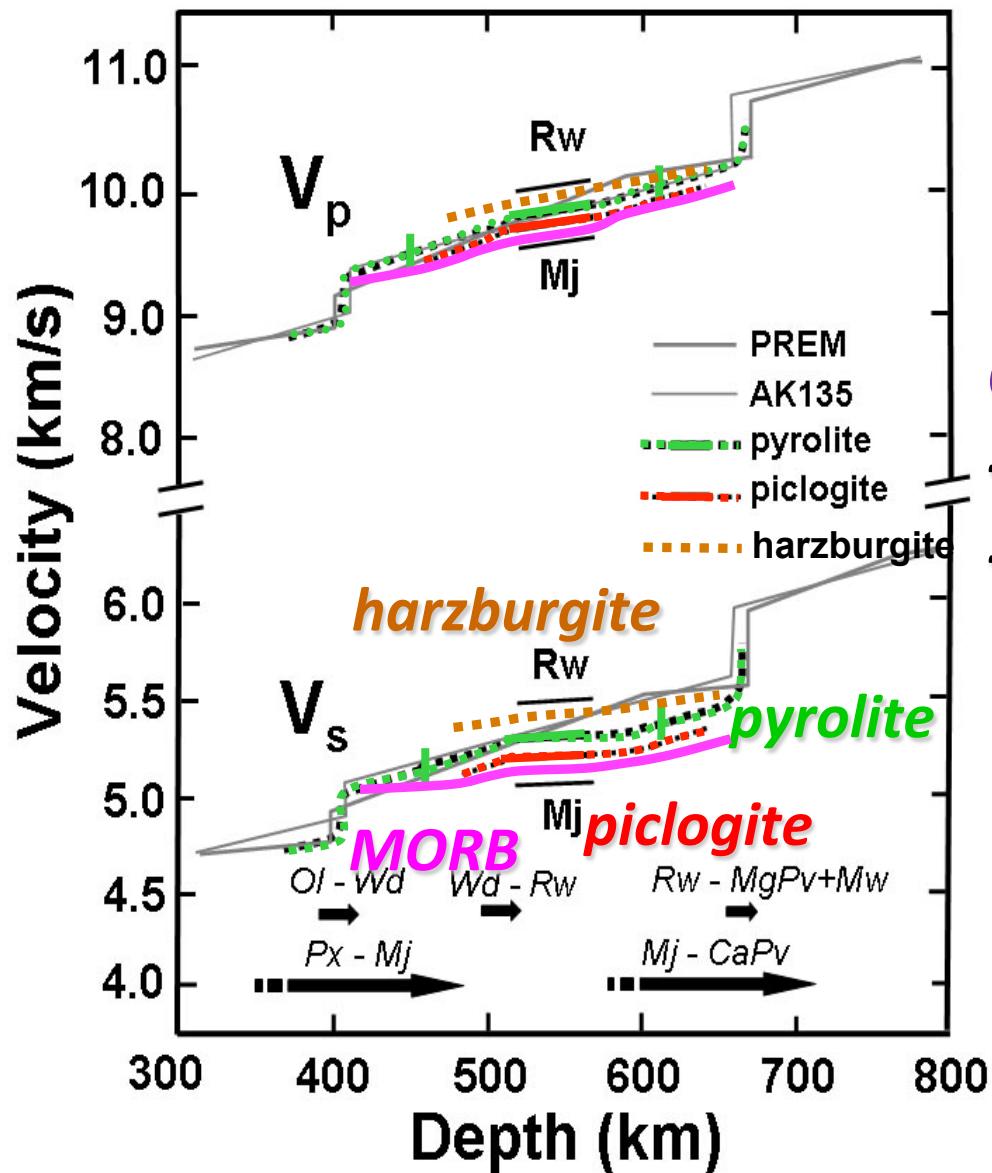




Perovskitic L. M. \leftrightarrow Pyrolytic L. M.



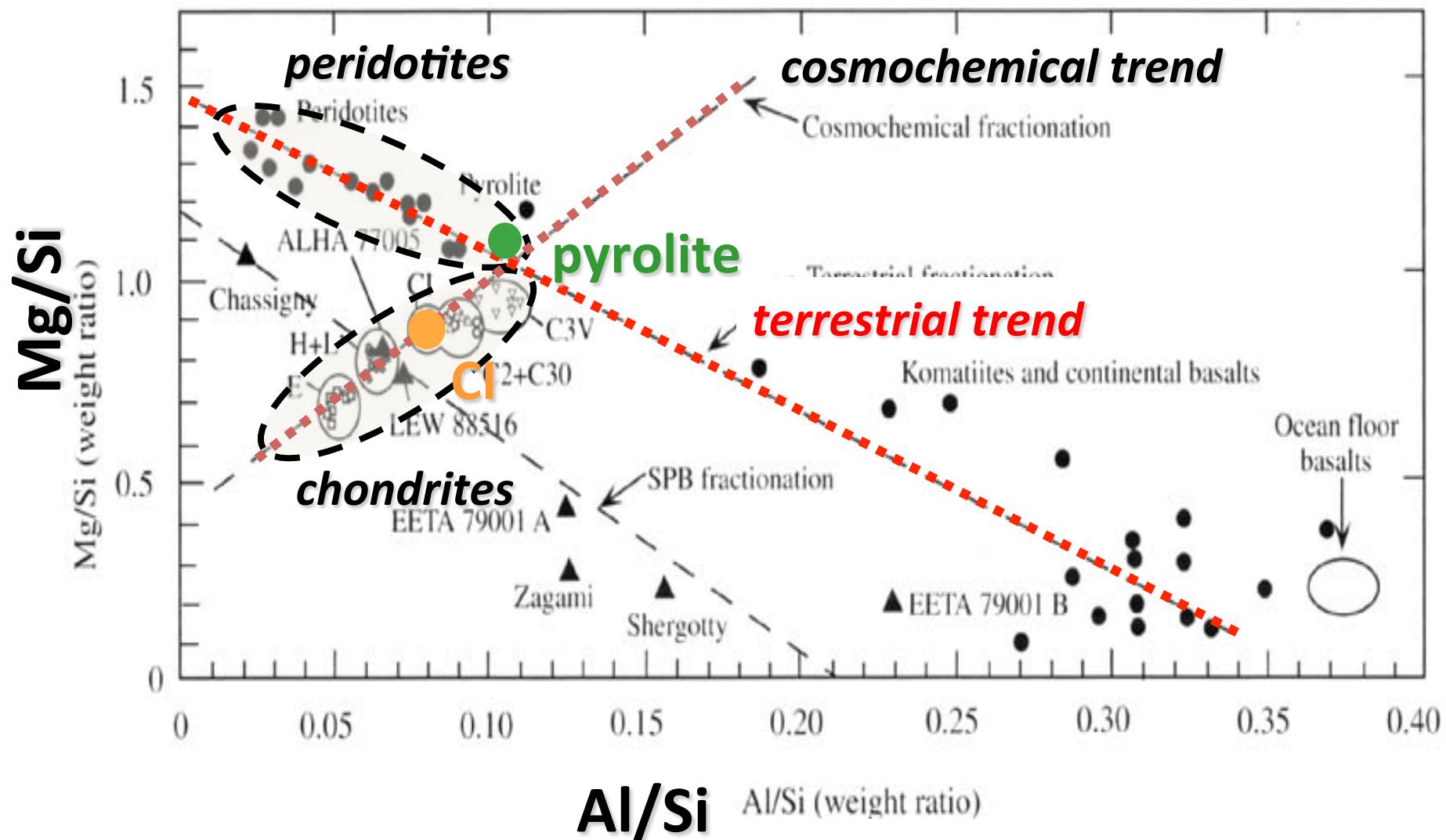
Pyrolite vs piclogite vs harzburgite vs MORB



Composition of MTR

- upper to middle: **pyrolite**
- bottom: **harzburgite**

Terrestrial & cosmochemical fractionations



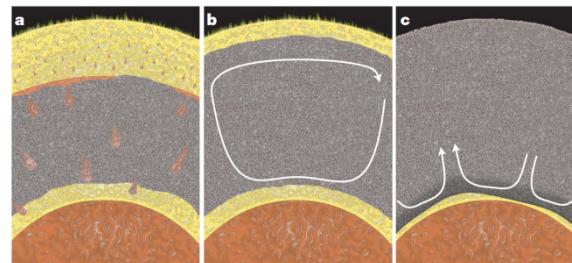
Taylor (2001)

Evolution of the mantle

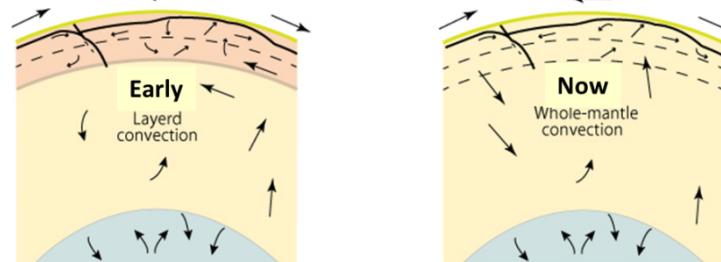
Magma ocean



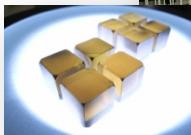
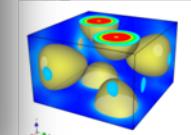
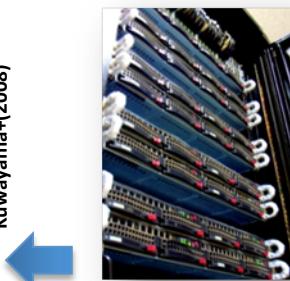
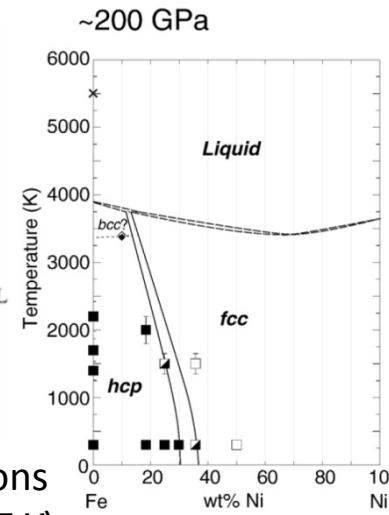
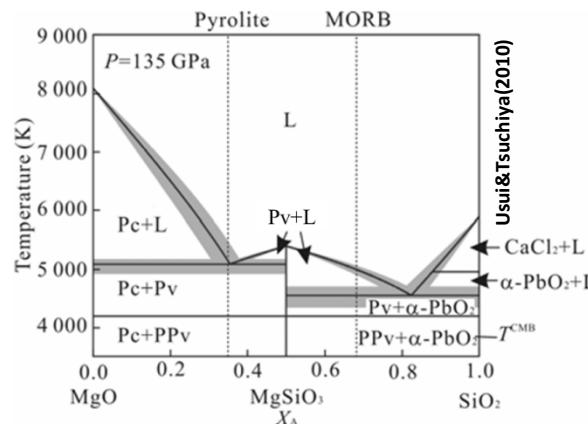
Late veneer



Solidification



Change in convection style



How to make the present pyrolytic mantle?

