

1 Eocene Neo-Tethyan slab breakoff constrained by 45 Ma
2 OIB-type magmatism in southern Tibet

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12 **ABSTRACT**

13 Slab breakoff is one of the primary processes in the evolution of many collisional
14 orogens. In the Tibet–Himalaya Orogen, the timing of breakoff of the Neo-Tethyan slab
15 remains controversial because of a scarcity of solid evidence. This study reports the
16 discovery of Eocene gabbros, dated at 45.0 ± 1.4 Ma (in-situ U–Pb age of titanite) using
17 secondary ion mass spectrometry (SIMS), from the eastern segment of Tethyan Himalaya
18 (TH) in southern Tibet. These rocks show geochemical characteristics similar to those of
19 HIMU-type oceanic island basalt (OIB) and have depleted Sr–Nd isotopes [$^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}(t) =$
20 $0.70312\text{--}0.70317$; $\epsilon_{\text{Nd}}(t) = +4.9$ to $+5.0$]. It is suggested that the gabbros stand as the first
21 direct evidence for partial melting of the asthenosphere, followed by rapid magma ascent
22 with negligible crustal contamination. This event, combined with relevant studies along

23 the Indus–Yarlung suture zone, is best explained by a sudden and full-scale detachment
24 of subducted Neo-Tethyan slab at great depth. The breakoff model may account for
25 coeval tectonomagmatic activities (development of small-scale, short-lived magmatism
26 and subsequent termination of the Gangdese arc magmatism) in southern Tibet, and for
27 the abrupt slowdown (ca. 45 Ma) of Indo-Asia convergence.

28 **INTRODUCTION**

29 The formation and evolution of the Tibet–Himalaya Orogen is of great
30 importance to our understanding of collisional orogenesis and related processes (Yin and
31 Harrison, 2000). However, the timing of breakoff of the Neo-Tethyan slab after Indo-
32 Asia collision, which is one of principal steps in the evolution of many collisional
33 orogens, remains enigmatic due to a paucity of relevant evidence. Since slab breakoff
34 may induce coeval magmatism, metamorphism, and other tectonic phenomena (Davies
35 and von Blanckenburg, 1995), the timing can be constrained by studying these aspects of
36 the orogen.

37 The slab breakoff model has been widely applied in explaining the early Cenozoic
38 geological evolution of southern Tibet. Guillot et al. (1997) tentatively proposed a slab
39 breakoff hypothesis to explain temperature increases during the retrogressive evolution of
40 the Tso Moriri eclogites in the NW Himalaya. Subsequently, the detached oceanic slab
41 was identified through tomographic imaging (Van der Voo et al., 1999). Based on a
42 tomography study in the Hindu Kush region, Negredo et al. (2007) inferred that breakoff
43 occurred at ca. 44–48 Ma. Based on the ages of ultra-high pressure (UHP) rocks from the
44 western Himalaya (45–55 Ma) and related geological data, Kohn and Parkinson (2002)
45 argued for slab breakoff at ca. 45 Ma. However, the above-mentioned studies were

46 mainly confined to NW Himalaya, so the timing for slab breakoff in other places along
47 the Indus–Yarlung Suture Zone (IYSZ, >2500 km) needs further researches.

48 Currently, magmatism associated with breakoff of the Neo-Tethyan slab shows
49 large age range of 69–40 Ma. To the south of the IYSZ that represented a passive
50 continental margin during northward subduction of the Neo-Tethys, middle Eocene (46–
51 42 Ma) anatectic magmatism (Fig. 1A) has been attributed to breakoff of the Neo-
52 Tethyan slab (Hou et al., 2012; Pullen et al., 2011; Zeng et al., 2011). As the thermal
53 perturbation induced by breakoff may have been prolonged, these crust-derived rocks
54 indicate the minimum age of breakoff. On the Lhasa side of the orogen (i.e., the previous
55 active continental margin), various magmatic pulses have been interpreted as indicating
56 slab breakoff, including the early Cenozoic Linzizong volcanic rocks (ca. 69–40 Ma)
57 (Yin and Harrison, 2000), the magmatic peak at ca. 50 Ma (Lee et al., 2009; Zhu et al.,
58 2015), and the termination of Gangdese arc magmatism (45–40 Ma) (Chung et al., 2005).
59 Nevertheless, it is difficult to discriminate between persistent Neo-Tethyan subduction
60 and slab breakoff in terms of the likely genetic mechanism. Moreover, if the detachment
61 depth is greater than the bottom of overriding lithosphere, the thermal perturbation is
62 negligible (van de Zedde and Wortel, 2001). Because the detachment depth is
63 proportional to subduction velocity (Davies and von Blanckenburg, 1995), the extremely
64 high rate of convergence between India and Asia in the early Cenozoic (~14–16 cm/yr
65 from 65 to 50 Ma; van Hinsbergen et al., 2011) should have led to a deep breakoff,
66 producing a weak thermal perturbation in the overlying lithosphere. Therefore, a
67 magmatic pulse in southern Tibet could be ambiguous in terms of constraining the slab
68 breakoff. In the Gaoligong Orogen (No. 6 in Fig. 1A), Xu et al. (2008) proposed that

69 mafic dykes (~42 Ma) with an intraplate affinity represent asthenosphere-derived melts
70 following breakoff. However, no similar magmatism in early Tertiary is recorded inside
71 the plateau.

72 In this study, we report the first identification of middle Eocene (ca. 45 Ma)
73 oceanic island basalt (OIB) type gabbros from Gyangze region, which intrude the eastern
74 Tethyan Himalaya (TH) (Fig. 1). It is suggested that these rocks formed by partial
75 melting of upwelling asthenosphere as a direct response to breakoff of the Neo-Tethyan
76 slab at ca. 45 Ma.

77 **BACKGROUND AND SAMPLES**

78 The Tibetan Plateau was formed by a series of terrane accretion events, with the
79 last occurring along the IYSZ between the Lhasa terrane to the north and the Himalayas
80 to the south (Yin and Harrison, 2000) (Fig. 1A). Post-collisional magmatism occurred
81 along both sides of the IYSZ, providing an important constraint on the formation and
82 evolution of the plateau (Chung et al., 2005; Wu et al., 2015). The Lhasa terrane contains
83 widespread volcanic and intrusive rocks along its southern margin, which were associated
84 with northward subduction of Neo-Tethyan oceanic lithosphere and subsequent
85 continental collision. There were two main stages of magmatism: an early Tertiary stage
86 represented by the Linzizong volcanic rocks and coeval Gangdese batholith, and an
87 Oligocene–Miocene stage that produced calc-alkaline and potassic–ultrapotassic rocks
88 (Chung et al., 2005). The Himalayas comprises three main units: the TH, High Himalaya
89 (HH), and Lesser Himalaya (LH), separated by the South Tibet Detachment System
90 (STDS) and the Main Central Thrust (MCT) (Fig. 1A). Cenozoic magmatism in the
91 Himalayas consists mainly of Oligocene–Miocene leucogranites that occur in two sub-

92 parallel belts in the TH and HH (Wu et al., 2015), along with minor middle Eocene (46–
93 42 Ma) granites in the TH (Figs. 1 and 2).

94 The Langshan gabbros are located to the northeast of Gyangze, in the eastern TH
95 (area C in Fig. 1). These rocks intrude the Late Cretaceous to early Tertiary Zongzhuo
96 Formation, which consists mainly of sandstone, siltstone, and shale. Xenoliths of the
97 Zongzhuo Formation occur in the Langshan gabbros (Fig. DR1B). They show a large
98 variation in grain size from aphanitic near the margin of the intrusion (Fig. DR1C) to
99 coarse-grained in the central part (Fig. DR1F). Six samples collected from different parts
100 of the intrusion (Fig. 1C) were selected for this study. Sample 12FW58 (fine-grained,
101 Fig. DR1D) was collected from the margin, whereas the other samples were collected
102 from inner parts of the intrusion. The Langshan gabbros consist mainly of clinopyroxene
103 and plagioclase (Figs. DR1G and H), with accessory titanite, apatite and Fe-Ti oxides.
104 Field and microscopic observations indicate that the rocks underwent various degrees of
105 low-temperature hydrothermal alteration (i.e., epidotization and carbonatization).

106 **GEOCHRONOLOGY AND GEOCHEMISTRY**

107 Back-scattered electron (BSE) images show that most of the titanite grains from
108 Sample 13JT04 are euhedral and homogeneous without inclusions, indicating that they
109 crystallized rapidly from the magma. Forty-nine analyses were conducted on the titanites
110 which show low U concentrations (1.4–25.7 ppm) and a range of Th/U ratios (0.04–3.10)
111 (Table DR1). The scattered data points on the Tera–Wasserburg diagram yield a lower
112 intercept age of 45.0 ± 1.4 Ma (MSWD = 3.6; Fig. 3A). As the rock textures indicate
113 shallow intrusion and rapid crystallization, the titanite U–Pb age is interpreted as the age
114 of intrusion and crystallization of the magma.

115 The analyzed samples contain 46.22–49.55 wt.% SiO₂, 4.31–10.38 wt.% MgO
116 with Mg# [100 × molar Mg/(Mg + Fe)] of 42–61, and high TiO₂ (3.08–3.89 wt.%)
117 contents (Table DR2). On the Nb/Y versus Zr/TiO₂ diagram (Fig. DR3), all the samples
118 plot in the field of alkali basalt, reflecting silica-undersaturation. They exhibit trace
119 element distributions similar to those of OIB on a primitive-mantle-normalized
120 spidergram (Fig. 3A). Specifically, they are similar to HIMU basalt, characterized by
121 enrichment in high field strength elements (HFSE) Nb and Ta relative to large ion
122 lithophile elements (LILE, e.g. Th and U) and light rare earth elements (LREE). Their
123 high ratios of U/Pb (0.38–0.56) and Nb/La (1.56–2.12), and low ratios of Th/U (3.87–
124 4.30) and Ba/Nb (6.0–6.4), are also similar to HIMU basalts, which distinguish them
125 from enriched mantle (EM) basalts (Willbold and Stracke, 2006). Since these samples
126 experienced hydrothermal alteration, the apatite Sr–Nd isotopes (Tables DR3 and DR4)
127 were used to trace magma initial isotopic compositions, which reflect depleted source
128 characteristics [⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr(t): 0.70312–0.70317; ε_{Nd}(t): 4.9–5.0]. The partial melting
129 conditions are estimated to have been P ≈2.4 GPa, T ≈1380 °C, and T_p ≈1400 °C (see
130 details in the Data Repository). The melting pressure corresponds to around 80 km depth,
131 which indicates a shallow garnet-facies mantle source.

132 **EVALUATION OF CRUSTAL CONTAMINATION**

133 Because the Langshan gabbros intruded the TH, it is possible that contamination
134 by continental crust occurred during magma ascent and intrusion. As shown in Figure
135 3A, the trace element characteristics of continental crust are in sharp contrast with those
136 of OIB, especially for Nb and Pb. Thus, the related trace element ratios of similarly
137 incompatible pairs, such as Nb/U and Pb/Nd, can be sensitive indicators of crustal

138 contamination (Hofmann, 2014). Furthermore, the TH rocks show more enriched
139 isotopes (Liu et al., 2014) than the Langshan gabbros. Crustal contamination should drive
140 the magma composition toward that of continental crust; however, no such trend was
141 identified (Fig. DR4), indicating that crustal contamination is negligible in the Langshan
142 gabbros. This view is supported by the uniform ratios of Nb/U (42–66) and Pb/Nd (10.5–
143 18.5), which are similar to OIB values (Fig. 3B). In addition, the Nb/U ratios are
144 equivalent to the mean of ‘non-EM-type’ OIB (52 ± 15 , Hofmann, 2014).

145 **MAGMA SOURCE AND PETROGENESIS**

146 The Langshan gabbros exhibit OIB-like trace element characteristics and depleted
147 Sr–Nd isotopic compositions. The alkaline OIB characteristics require the presence of
148 enriched components in the mantle source, either from recycled oceanic crust with
149 various continental materials (Hofmann, 2014; Willbold and Stracke, 2006) or from
150 metasomatic processes (for a review, see Niu et al., 2012). The local subcontinental
151 lithospheric mantle belonged to the former Indian passive continental margin, which was
152 poor in metasomatic fluids, as indicated by the absence of post-collisional potassic–
153 ultrapotassic rocks in the region south of the IYSZ (Chung et al., 2005). Moreover, the
154 Himalayan basement has ancient isotopic compositions (cf. Zeng et al., 2011). Thus, the
155 Langshan gabbros could not have been derived from local lithospheric mantle.

156 If they were derived from the asthenosphere, partial melting may have occurred
157 by increasing temperature or decreasing pressure (McKenzie and Bickle, 1988). The
158 former is commonly associated with the development of mantle plumes; however, there
159 is no evidence for a coeval plume. In addition, the mantle plume model does not account
160 for the E–W-trending zonal distribution of magmatism. Alternatively, decreasing

161 pressure can be achieved by mantle upwelling. After initial continental collision, the
162 upwelling of asthenosphere can be triggered by removal of the thickened lithospheric
163 mantle by delamination or convective thinning, or by breakoff of subducted Neo-Tethyan
164 slab. The small-scale and short-term nature of middle Eocene magmatism is in stark
165 contrast to the characteristics of delamination (large-scale) and/or convective thinning
166 (long-lasting) (Xu et al., 2008). Thus, the favored mechanism for middle Eocene
167 magmatism along the IYSZ is slab breakoff involving Neo-Tethyan oceanic lithosphere
168 (Fig. 4).

169 In the case of a rapid convergence between India and Asia, slab breakoff would
170 have occurred at great depth (Davies and von Blanckenburg, 1995). For example, it has
171 been estimated that breakoff occurred at least as deep as 120 km, as constrained by the
172 peak metamorphic pressure of continental UHP rocks (Guillot et al., 2008, and references
173 therein), or even deeper if the Indian lithosphere was able to subduct to 200–250 km
174 depth (Chemenda et al., 2000). The compositions of slab-derived components are distinct
175 from different depths. At depths of <80–100 km, subducted oceanic crust releases
176 hydrous fluids that are rich in LILE and LREE, but poor in HFSE (e.g. Nb, Ta and Ti). At
177 greater depths (>150 km), partial melts from oceanic crust are enriched in HFSE due to
178 previous removal of fluid-mobile elements and decomposition of rutile (which controls
179 Nb, Ta, and Ti) (Ringwood, 1990; Willbold and Stracke, 2006, and references therein).
180 The upwelling asthenosphere, infiltrated by HFSE-rich melts, would produce HIMU-like
181 basalts if no obvious continental crust material was incorporated. The formation process
182 of the magma source is similar to that of HIMU basalts from the Cook–Austral Islands
183 (Hanyu et al., 2011). After slab breakoff, these asthenosphere-derived melts intruded the

184 TH following the rapid exhumation of crustal rocks, resulting in the emplacement of the
185 Langshan intrusion. A high migration rate is needed to explain the absence of obvious
186 crustal contamination characterized by incompatible elements and isotopes (Fig. DR4).

187 **GEOLOGIC IMPLICATIONS**

188 The generation of the Langshan gabbros at Gyangze supports slab breakoff at ca.
189 45 Ma in the eastern Himalaya, coeval with that in the northwestern Himalaya (Kohn and
190 Parkinson, 2002), indicating that breakoff of the Neo-Tethyan slab was almost
191 synchronous along the whole length of the IYSZ (>2500 km). This is supported by the
192 coeval development of granites (46–42 Ma) along the IYSZ (Fig. 1), reflecting a
193 breakoff-related thermal perturbation along the breakoff window. Rapid breakoff has also
194 been inferred from the constant depth of the slab anomaly on seismic tomographic
195 images (Negredo et al., 2007).

196 A recent study found that rapid breakoff can slow the rate of slab subduction
197 (Bercovici et al., 2015). Cenozoic convergence between India and Asia shows two clear
198 decelerations, at 52–50 Ma (from 14 to 16 to 8–10 cm/yr) and at ca. 45 Ma (from 8 to 10
199 to 4–6 cm/yr), after which it maintained a nearly constant rate (4–6 cm/yr) (Patriat and
200 Achache, 1984; van Hinsbergen et al., 2011). While the first deceleration is generally
201 attributed to Indo-Asia collision, the cause of the second is debated (Patriat and Achache,
202 1984; van Hinsbergen et al., 2011). Based on the present results, it is concluded that the
203 second deceleration was related to a loss of slab pull due to slab breakoff at ca. 45 Ma
204 (Bercovici et al., 2015).

205 After slab breakoff, subduction would have switched to a mode of high horizontal
206 compression, especially in the Himalayan region (Chemenda et al., 2000). Large-scale

207 crustal shortening across the Himalayas would have resulted in folding and thrusting.
208 However, additional shortening, apart from that estimated from balanced cross-sections,
209 is required to explain paleomagnetic data, such as thrusting along the MCT (Yi et al.,
210 2011). The growth of garnet (from ca. 45 Ma) at the base of the HH in the central
211 segment indicates early movement along the MCT, accompanied by the initiation of
212 prograde metamorphism (Carosi et al., 2014, and references therein). The consistent ages
213 imply that all of these geologic processes are related to slab breakoff, which impeded
214 further continental subduction and induced strong north–south compression. Furthermore,
215 the subducted continental lithosphere rotated upwards to come against the base of the
216 overriding plate after slab breakoff, followed by horizontal subduction of the lithosphere
217 (Chemenda et al., 2000). This process would have driven away the asthenosphere from
218 beneath the Lhasa terrane, and then shielded it from the convective heat, which would
219 have lead to the cessation of Gangdese arc magmatism (45–40 Ma, Fig. 2B).

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347 FIGURE CAPTIONS

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349 Figure 1. A: Location of the study region (labeled “B”) on the Tibet Plateau. B:
350 Geological map of the study region. C: Outcrops of gabbros near Langshan (The base
351 map is from Google Earth). The numbers in circle denote the locations of middle Eocene
352 magmatism: 1. Xiao Gurla Range (Pullen et al., 2011); 2. Niuku (Ding et al., 2005); 3.
353 Ramba (Liu et al., 2014); 4. Hawong (our unpublished data); 5. Yalaxiangbo-Quedang-
354 Dala (Aikman et al., 2008; Hou et al., 2012; Zeng et al., 2011); 6. Gaoligong (Xu et al.,
355 2008); and NW Himalaya UHP rocks: 7. Tso Morari; 8. Kaghan Valley.

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357 Figure 2. A: Tera–Wasserburg diagram showing the results of titanite U–Pb dating for
358 Sample 13JT04. B: Probability plot of the ages of Cenozoic magmatism in southern
359 Tibet. Data for TH granite, Gangdese batholith and Linzizong volcanics are from Wu et
360 al. (2015), Ji et al. (2012) and Lee et al. (2009), respectively, and references therein.

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362 Figure 3. A: Primitive-mantle-normalized spidergram for the Langshan gabbros. B: Plot
363 of Nb/U versus Nd/Pb. Normalizing values are from Sun and McDonough (1989). The

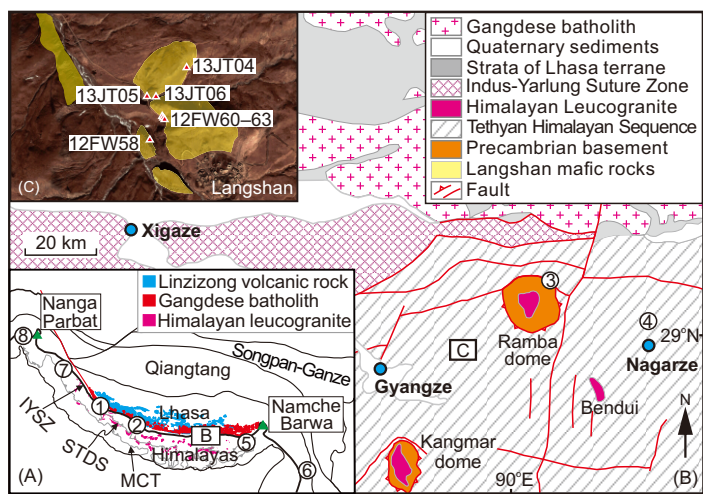
364 data for OIB and N-MORB, and CC (bulk continental crust) are from Sun and
365 McDonough (1989) and Rudnick and Gao (2003), respectively.

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367 Figure 4. Schematic illustration for an abrupt and full-scale detachment (ca. 45 Ma) of
368 subducted Neo-Tethyan slab at great depth for coeval development of several records in
369 southern Tibet, including slowdown of convergence rate between India and Asia, the
370 youngest UHP rocks from NW Himalaya, HIMU OIB-type Langshan gabbros, small-
371 scale, short-lived magmatism along IYSZ, and subsequent cessation of Gangdese arc
372 magmatism.

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375 component and partial melting conditions, evaluation of alteration, Tables DR1–DR4 and
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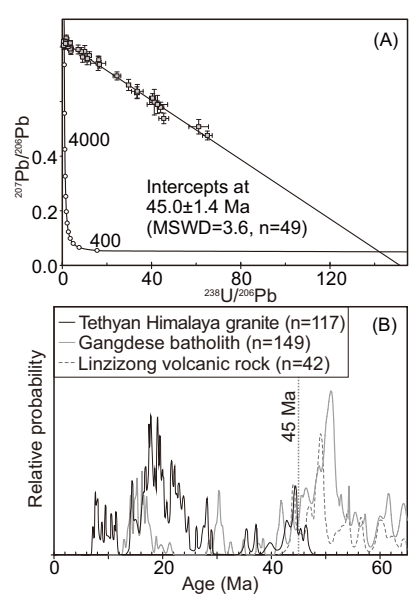
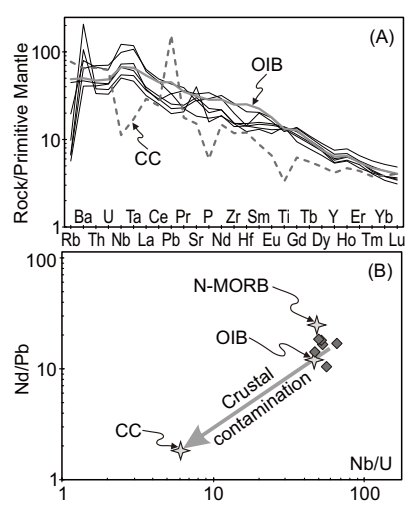
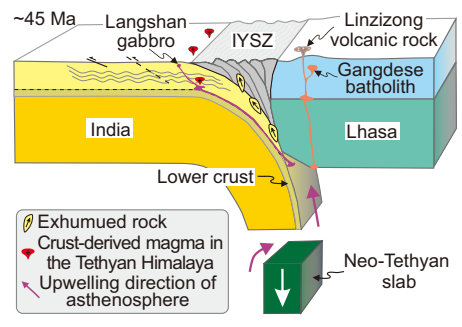


Figure 3





1 **Data Depository**

2 **METHODS SUMMARY**

3 **Analytical methods**

4 **Titanite U-Pb dating:** Titanite crystals are separated from one coarse grain sample (13JT04). They and
5 titanite U-Pb dating standard (BLR-1, [Aleinikoff et al., 2002](#)) were mounted onto the same epoxy resin
6 mounts. Then the epoxy mount were polished to expose a depth of about one half of the crystal. Titanite
7 U-Pb dating was carried out using Cameca IMS-1280 at the Institute of Geology and Geophysics,
8 Chinese Academy of Sciences. Detailed instrumental parameters and analytical procedures are similar to
9 the perovskite SIMS U-Pb dating method ([Li et al., 2010](#)) and are the same as the titanite SIMS U-Pb
10 dating method described in [Li et al. \(2014\)](#). During analysis, the ellipsoidal spot was about 20×30 μm in
11 size. BLR-1 was used as standard for titanite U-Pb analysis, and was analyzed twice after every 5
12 analyses for unknowns. Common Pb correction based on ^{207}Pb was used for individual analysis and an
13 average $^{206}\text{Pb}/^{238}\text{U}$ age with 2σ or 95% confidence level was calculated using the ISOPLOT 3.0 software
14 ([Ludwig, 2003](#)). The dating results are listed in [Table DR1](#) and presented in [Fig. 2a](#). As most dating spots
15 have relative high common Pb contents, we adopted the lower intercept age (45.0 ± 1.4 Ma) on the
16 Tera-Wasserburg U-Pb concordia diagram as the titanite age. And the weighted mean of ^{207}Pb corrected
17 $^{206}\text{Pb}/^{238}\text{U}$ age (45.2 ± 7.7 Ma, n=49) is equal to the lower intercept age within error.

18 **Whole-rock geochemistry:** Whole-rock major elements, trace elements and Sr-Nd isotopes were
19 analyzed in Department of Geosciences, National Taiwan University, following the methods of [Lee et al.](#)
20 ([2012](#)). Major elements were determined by X-ray fluorescence (XRF) method with analytical
21 uncertainties better than 5% for all elements. Trace elements were measured by inductively coupled
22 plasma mass spectrometry (ICP-MS) method with the analytical accuracy and precision generally better
23 than 3%. The major and trace elements are presented in [Table DR2](#). As all the studied samples have

24 relatively high LOI values, the major element abundances were recalculated to 100% on the basis of
25 volatile-free and the recalculated values were used in data interpretation. Whole-rock Sr-Nd isotopes were
26 analyzed by Multi-Collector Inductively-Coupled plasma Mass Spectrometry (MC-ICPMS), Thermo
27 Electron Finnigan Neptune, at Department of Geosciences, National Taiwan University. The detailed
28 method can be found in [Lee et al. \(2012\)](#). Within Sr and Nd isotopic fractionation were normalized to
29 $^{86}\text{Sr}/^{88}\text{Sr} = 0.1194$ and $^{146}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd} = 0.7129$, respectively.

30 **In-situ apatite Sr-Nd isotopes:** We only separated apatites from some coarse-grained samples (12FW60,
31 12FW63 and 13JT04). The apatite crystals were mounted onto epoxy resin mounts. Then the mount was
32 polished to expose a depth of about one third of the apatite crystals. Then in-situ apatite Sr-Nd isotopes
33 were conducted on a Thermo-Finnigan Neptune MC-ICPMS, coupled with a 193 nm ArF Excimer laser
34 ablation system (Geolas plus), at the Institute of Geology and Geophysics, Chinese Academy of Sciences.
35 Detailed instrumental parameters and analytical procedures are described in [Yang et al. \(2014\)](#). The
36 apatite Sr and Nd isotopes are presented in [Tables DR3](#) and [DR4](#), respectively. The measured $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$
37 ratios for apatite standards AP1 and Slyudyanka are 0.71133 ± 0.00004 (n=12) and 0.70769 ± 0.00004
38 (n=13), respectively, identical to the recommended values (AP1: 0.71136 ± 0.00008 ; Slyudyanka:
39 0.70769 ± 0.00015) ([Yang et al., 2014](#)). The measured $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ ratios for apatite standards AP2 and
40 UWA-1 are 0.511010 ± 0.000024 (n=14) and 0.512320 ± 0.000020 (n=15), respectively, equal to the
41 recommended values (AP2: 0.511008 ± 0.000042 ; UWA-1: 0.512304 ± 0.000051) within error ([Yang et al.,](#)
42 [2014](#)).

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44 **Detailed method for estimation of primitive component and partial melting conditions**

45 Primary magma compositions of basaltic rocks can provide constraints on the thermochemical state
46 of their mantle sources (cf. [Lee et al., 2009](#)). Among all studied samples, Sample 12FW58 has the

47 highest MgO (10.38 wt.%), Cr (222 ppm) and Ni (172 ppm), but the lowest Al₂O₃ (13.7 wt.%) and alkali
48 contents (Na₂O+K₂O = 3.24 wt.%). This sample also displays a fine-grained texture, suggesting fast
49 crystallization and low degree of mineral cumulation. Therefore, we suggest that this sample more
50 compositionally approximates to the primary magmas of Langshan mafic intrusion, i.e., representing the
51 most primitive component of Langshan gabbros. Therefore, we chose 12FW58 as a starting material to
52 estimate the primary melt composition following the method described in [Wang et al. \(2012\)](#). Because the
53 geochemical characteristics of the Langshan mafic rocks indicate a fertile mantle source, the equilibrium
54 mantle olivine Fo = 90 was used in the following calculation. An important variable in fractionation
55 correction is the proportion of Fe³⁺ relative to Fe²⁺ in the magma. Arc magmas are generally thought to be
56 more oxidized although by how much is still debated. Evidence from direct measurement of olivine-host
57 melt inclusion suggested a more oxidized oxygen fugacity with Fe³⁺/ΣFe ratio 0.18–0.32 ([Kelley and](#)
58 [Cottrell, 2009](#)) and 0.19–0.26 ([Brounce et al., 2014](#)). However, recent studies of V/Sc systematics suggest
59 that the mantle source regions of primitive arc magmas may only be slightly more oxidizing (up to 1–2
60 orders of magnitude greater than the FMQ buffer ([Lee et al., 2005](#)) and that the oxidized nature of erupted
61 magmas themselves may be due to self-oxidation imparted by water dissociation during magmatic
62 differentiation or ascent ([Holloway, 2004](#)). Variations in Fe³⁺/ΣFe can introduce significant differences in
63 estimated compositions of parental liquids, notably Mg#. For instance, increasing Fe³⁺/ΣFe from 0.2 to
64 0.3 would result in increasing of 0.3–0.5 wt.% SiO₂ and 0.6–0.8 wt.% Al₂O₃, but decreasing of ~1.0 wt.%
65 FeO and 1.7–1.9 wt.% MgO in final estimated primary melts. In this study, we choose Fe³⁺/ΣFe = 0.2 to
66 estimate the primary melt compositions. The final estimated primary melt compositions for 12FW58 are
67 as follows: SiO₂ = 46.1 wt.%, TiO₂ = 2.8 wt.%, Al₂O₃ = 11.8 wt.%, FeO = 10.0 wt.%, MgO = 16.3 wt.%,
68 CaO = 7.7 wt.%, and Ce = 74 ppm.

69 H₂O behaviors like a typical incompatible trace elements, such as Ce, during mantle melting and

70 subsequent magma evolution, thus H₂O/Ce ratios have been as an important constraint on the H₂O
71 content of the upper mantle (Dixon et al., 2002; Kelley et al., 2006; Workman et al., 2006; Cooper et al.,
72 2012). The H₂O/Ce ratios measured in arc magmas span nearly two orders of magnitude, from ~300
73 (Irazu volcano in Costa Rica) to 21,000 (Volcano A in Tonga), and mostly higher than 10000 (Cooper et
74 al., 2012). The Nb-enriched arc basalts were demonstrated to contain low water concentration (Sorbadere
75 et al., 2013), thus the lowest H₂O/Ce of 300 was used to constrain magma water concentration. According
76 to estimated primary Ce concentration (74 ppm) and H₂O/Ce ratio, the water content of primary melt is ≥
77 2.2 wt.%. Evidence from the Central American volcanoes showed that primary water concentration are
78 also tightly correlated with Ba/La, as H₂O (at Fo91) = 0.0481 × (Na/La) + 1.1294 (Sadofsky et al., 2008).
79 The primary water concentration is estimated at about 1.64 wt.%, resulting in 1.75 wt.% primary melt
80 water concentration when correction is equilibrated with Fo90.

81 Based on the recent thermobarometer (Lee et al., 2009), a pressure-temperature condition of 2.6 GPa
82 and 1478 °C was estimated for the primary melt of sample 12FW58, comparable with the results (2.5 GPa
83 and 1490 °C) yielded by the method of Albarède (1992). The estimated primary melt gives a mantle
84 potential temperature (T_p) of 1490 °C, according to $T_p (°C) = 1463 + 12.74 \times \text{MgO} - 2924/\text{MgO}$ (e.g.,
85 Herzberg et al., 2007). It is noteworthy that the calculation did not take into account the effect of water.
86 The estimated minimum water concentration of 2.2–1.75 wt.% would suppress their melt temperatures by
87 91–98 °C from a perfectly anhydrous system using function of $\Delta T = 74.403 \times (\text{H}_2\text{O wt.}\%)^{0.352}$
88 (Falloon and Danyushevsky, 2000). The final melting pressure and temperature is corrected by magma
89 H₂O of 1.7 wt.% using thermobarometer proposed by Lee et al. (2009). The finally corrected melting P-T
90 results are followings: $P \approx 2.4$ GPa, $T \approx 1380$ °C, and $T_p \approx 1400$ °C.

91 The calculated melting pressure is similar to that constrained by the fractionated REE patterns (such
92 as $(\text{La}/\text{Yb})_{\text{CN}} = 9.3\text{--}14.4$, $(\text{Sm}/\text{Yb})_{\text{CN}} = 3.5\text{--}4.7$ and $(\text{Dy}/\text{Yb})_{\text{CN}} = 1.7\text{--}2.2$) which suggest that partial

93 melting occurred in the garnet stability field (Willbold and Stracke, 2006), i.e., in a garnet-facies mantle
94 source with depth greater than 80 km (McKenzie and O'Nions, 1991). Together with the estimated
95 pressure, the partial melting depth is of shallow garnet-facies at around 80 km.

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97 **Evaluation of alteration**

98 The analyzed samples of Langshan intrusion show high LOI (loss on ignition) values, mainly
99 consisting of H_2O^+ (crystal water from secondary minerals) and CO_2 . As the mineral assemblage suggests
100 an anhydrous primary magma, the measured H_2O^+ and CO_2 contents reflect degrees of hydrothermal
101 alteration and carbonatization. Thus, before introducing and discussing the geochemical characteristics of
102 these samples, it is important to consider the likely effect of alteration. The major elements, the highly
103 fluid-mobile elements (Cs, Rb, Ba, Pb, Sr and U) and Sr-Nd isotopes show no correlation with the values
104 of H_2O^+ , CO_2 and LOI (Figure DR2) and the distributed patterns of trace element shown by samples of
105 different alteration degrees are very similar (Fig. 3a). Besides, the coherent behavior of fluid-mobile (e.g.,
106 Rb, K, U) and fluid-immobile elements (e.g., Th, Nb) can be used as proxy for alteration (Willbold and
107 Stracke, 2006). The uniform ratios (e.g., $\text{Th}/\text{U} = 3.87\text{--}4.30$ and $\text{Nb}/\text{U} = 42\text{--}66$) suggest that the samples
108 are not seriously affected by later alteration. Furthermore, their Nb/U ratios (42–66, averaged as 54) are
109 close to the canonical value of oceanic basalts (47 ± 10 , Hofmann et al., 1986) and identical to the mean
110 of ‘no-EM-type’ OIB (52 ± 15 , Hofmann, 2014). This indicates that the alteration is relatively
111 insignificant for all the analyzed samples that passed our tests.

112 Notably, the samples show large variation of Ba (284–1450 ppm), as indicated by the various
113 enrichments of Ba in the spidergram (Fig. 3a). Samples 13JT05 (Ba: 739 ppm) and 13JT06 (Ba: 1450
114 ppm) have obviously higher concentrations of Ba than other samples (284–556 ppm). However, as they
115 are the freshest on the basis of microscope observations and the lowest LOI contents, they should be least

116 affected by alterations. In other words, the remarkable enrichment of Ba in Samples 13JT05 and 13JT06
117 relative to the others could not be attributed to alteration. The low Ba samples show relatively large LOI
118 contents (6.21–9.26 wt.%), but their Ba/Nb ratios (6.0–6.4) are uniform and similar to that of HIMU
119 basalts (Willbold and Stracke, 2006). The uniform ratios of other incompatible element pairs also suggest
120 that they should be not significantly affected by alteration (see above and discussion). Consequently, a
121 tentative explanation for variation of Ba is that it may reflect other process in the earlier magma evolution
122 rather than later alteration.

123 However, the whole-rock Sr-Nd isotopes could be affected by the alteration. The whole-rock Rb/Sr
124 ratios (0.005 to 0.073) and Sr isotopes ($^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr} = 0.706719\text{--}0.707302$) exhibit relatively large variations
125 (Fig. DR5), whereas their Sm/Nd ratios (0.21–0.24) and $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ values (0.512878–0.512937) are
126 homogeneous. As these samples underwent various alterations, the variation of Sr isotope would be
127 ascribed to hydrothermal alteration. Thus, we also analyzed in-situ Sr-Nd isotopes for apatites separated
128 from the coarse-grained samples which are big enough for analysis. The apatites are colourless and
129 transparent with good crystal form and few inclusions. The $^{87}\text{Rb}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ ratios (most < 0.002) of the apatites
130 (Table DR3) are very low, so the apatite $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ ratios for Samples 12FW63 (0.70288–0.70338, mean of
131 0.70317 ± 0.00006) and 13JT04 (0.70292–0.70339, mean of 0.70312 ± 0.00004) are identical to their initial
132 values ($^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}_{(t)}$). The $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}_{(t)}$ values of apatites are obviously low than that of the whole-rock (Fig.
133 DR5). The measured apatite $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ ratios for Samples 12FW60 and 12FW63 are 0.51280–0.51295
134 and 0.51280–0.51298, respectively, with their $\epsilon_{\text{Nd}}(t)$ values of 4.9 ± 0.4 and 5.0 ± 0.4 , respectively (Table
135 DR4). As the apatites have not been affected by later alteration, their initial Sr-Nd isotopes most likely
136 represent the primitive isotopic compositions for the magma, which are similar to that of the HIMU OIB
137 rocks from Cook-Austal Islands (Fig. DR5).

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Table DR1. Titanite SIMS U-Pb data for Langshan mafic rock

Spot number	U (ppm)	Th/U	$^{238}\text{U}/^{206}\text{Pb}$	$\pm\sigma$ (%)	$^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$	$\pm\sigma$ (%)	207-corr age (Ma)	$\pm\sigma$ (Ma)
13JT04@01	3.2	1.42	1.54	1.5	0.81	0.6	124	514
13JT04@02	9.7	0.04	61.15	3.6	0.51	2.6	43	8
13JT04@03	5.9	2.70	1.38	1.9	0.80	0.4	152	566
13JT04@04	3.4	0.23	16.06	10.5	0.74	1.8	46	46
13JT04@05	7.1	1.20	3.30	3.4	0.80	0.5	85	236
13JT04@06	4.7	0.72	1.75	2.2	0.81	0.4	75	458
13JT04@07	16.9	0.09	24.50	3.5	0.69	1.1	46	28
13JT04@08	2.7	0.09	41.23	2.5	0.60	3.9	46	15
13JT04@09	2.5	0.20	10.09	2.1	0.78	1.4	38	77
13JT04@10	2.9	2.07	2.07	1.5	0.83	0.6	17	395
13JT04@11	8.8	0.14	44.07	1.6	0.58	1.7	47	13
13JT04@12	2.2	0.07	1.54	1.5	0.82	0.6	76	521
13JT04@13	10.1	0.12	16.37	1.5	0.75	0.8	38	45
13JT04@14	17.8	0.62	3.64	1.5	0.80	0.3	76	214
13JT04@15	22.3	0.20	3.95	1.6	0.79	0.3	80	196
13JT04@16	2.9	0.22	1.79	3.3	0.83	0.7	42	462
13JT04@17	5.2	0.11	33.44	1.6	0.63	1.7	48	18
13JT04@18	7.1	0.54	1.37	1.5	0.81	0.3	125	578
13JT04@19	3.6	1.98	0.57	1.5	0.81	0.3	263	1381
13JT04@20	5.6	0.27	3.85	2.1	0.78	0.8	97	200
13JT04@21	6.1	0.92	1.15	1.8	0.82	0.6	62	706
13JT04@22	3.9	0.09	3.33	1.5	0.81	0.6	44	240
13JT04@23	1.4	0.39	1.61	1.5	0.80	0.7	132	486
13JT04@24	14.8	0.50	1.76	2.2	0.81	0.2	96	452
13JT04@25	8.9	0.12	45.47	2.4	0.54	1.8	53	11
13JT04@26	12.3	0.76	3.91	1.5	0.80	0.4	69	200
13JT04@27	3.4	0.44	11.12	1.5	0.75	1.2	57	67
13JT04@28	7.2	0.15	16.67	1.7	0.74	0.9	46	43
13JT04@29	13.1	0.06	40.44	1.7	0.61	1.3	44	15
13JT04@30	7.4	0.07	2.59	1.5	0.81	0.5	48	310
13JT04@31	8.1	0.09	12.19	2.2	0.77	0.9	41	62
13JT04@32	8.5	0.17	29.69	1.5	0.66	1.5	47	22
13JT04@33	2.7	3.10	0.76	1.6	0.80	0.8	275	1022
13JT04@34	18.1	1.27	3.59	1.6	0.79	0.3	85	216
13JT04@35	12.8	0.04	65.03	1.6	0.48	1.7	45	7
13JT04@36	10.3	0.49	2.63	1.5	0.80	0.3	88	298
13JT04@37	5.0	1.78	0.61	1.5	0.82	0.4	126	1315
13JT04@38	2.4	0.30	42.65	5.4	0.59	2.8	46	14
13JT04@39	3.7	0.22	8.57	1.5	0.78	1.0	45	90
13JT04@40	7.5	0.15	2.46	2.2	0.81	0.7	71	323
13JT04@41	5.9	0.21	3.46	1.5	0.81	0.6	37	232

13JT04@42	5.0	0.11	3.55	1.5	0.81	0.5	36	226
13JT04@43	2.5	0.36	7.09	2.4	0.79	1.0	45	110
13JT04@44	4.1	0.51	9.09	1.7	0.76	1.3	60	83
13JT04@45	3.5	1.91	0.60	1.5	0.81	0.4	332	1296
13JT04@46	4.4	0.10	33.65	3.9	0.64	2.0	47	19
13JT04@47	4.1	0.23	1.53	1.5	0.82	0.4	64	525
13JT04@48	25.7	0.09	11.26	1.5	0.76	0.5	53	66
13JT04@49	7.2	0.94	1.52	1.5	0.81	0.4	92	523

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Table DR2. Whole-rock geochemical data

Sample	12FW58	12FW61	12FW63	13JT04	13JT05	13JT06
Major element (wt.%)						
SiO ₂	43.92	46.37	42.25	42.66	44.49	44.56
TiO ₂	3.09	2.99	3.56	2.97	2.85	3.02
Al ₂ O ₃	12.97	16.96	16.22	14.41	14.19	14.58
TFeO	11.42	9.92	11.11	9.98	8.35	8.76
MnO	0.19	0.13	0.13	0.15	0.13	0.13
MgO	9.70	4.03	6.61	7.03	7.36	7.34
CaO	8.50	6.25	6.77	7.78	11.09	10.79
Na ₂ O	2.95	5.88	3.56	4.03	3.67	3.71
K ₂ O	0.08	0.33	0.78	0.15	0.17	0.25
P ₂ O ₅	0.61	0.72	0.42	0.49	0.35	0.44
H ₂ O ⁺	4.93	3.56	5.09	4.75	3.75	3.68
CO ₂	2.42	4.03	4.76	5.31	2.53	1.65
LOI	6.21	6.59	8.65	9.26	5.92	4.93
Normalized to 100% on the basis of volatile-free (wt.%)						
SiO ₂	47.00	49.55	46.22	47.59	48.02	47.61
TiO ₂	3.31	3.19	3.89	3.31	3.08	3.23
Al ₂ O ₃	13.89	18.12	17.75	16.07	15.32	15.58
TFeO	12.23	10.60	12.15	11.13	9.01	9.36
MnO	0.20	0.14	0.14	0.17	0.14	0.14
MgO	10.38	4.31	7.23	7.84	7.94	7.84
CaO	9.09	6.68	7.41	8.68	11.97	11.53
Na ₂ O	3.16	6.28	3.89	4.50	3.96	3.96
K ₂ O	0.08	0.35	0.85	0.17	0.18	0.27
P ₂ O ₅	0.66	0.77	0.46	0.55	0.37	0.47
Trace element (ppm)						
V	206	151	294	275	298	314
Cr	222	3	10	40	220	210
Mn	1399	1002	947	1162	1007	1007
Co	47	27	48	36	35	38
Ni	172	9	45	45	69	73
Cu	49	48	85	69	68	69
Zn	114	93	103	92	70	77
Ga	21	22	20	20	18	19
Rb	4.2	12	28	3.6	4.3	6.2
Sr	582	697	389	635	843	592
Y	30.9	34.3	24.4	26.4	24.8	27.5
Zr	289	224	170	172	157	171
Nb	70	87	52	47	36	39
Cs	1.78	0.5	0.81	0.81	0.62	0.55
Ba	453	556	326	284	739	1450
La	43.3	41.1	25.8	27.2	21.8	25.0
Ce	87.2	81.0	49.7	55.6	45.2	51.5

Pr	10.81	9.93	6.21	6.78	5.70	6.33
Nd	43.1	39.7	25.0	29.5	25.4	29.6
Sm	9.06	8.89	5.80	6.62	6.00	6.96
Eu	2.97	2.70	1.96	2.44	2.17	2.54
Gd	8.05	8.19	5.62	6.76	6.47	7.33
Tb	1.15	1.19	0.85	1.01	0.97	1.07
Dy	6.20	6.65	4.84	5.47	5.43	5.82
Ho	1.13	1.28	0.93	1.03	0.95	1.04
Er	2.73	3.13	2.26	2.67	2.47	2.68
Tm	0.36	0.42	0.31	0.32	0.30	0.33
Yb	2.15	2.56	1.86	1.86	1.68	1.88
Lu	0.29	0.36	0.25	0.27	0.23	0.26
Hf	6.4	4.4	3.8	4.4	4.4	4.7
Ta	4.4	4.8	3.0	2.5	1.9	2.2
Pb	3.1	2.4	2.4	1.8	1.4	1.6
Th	5.92	5.68	3.76	3.48	2.84	3.22
U	1.48	1.32	0.91	0.90	0.69	0.78
Sr-Nd isotopes						
$^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$	0.706739	0.706738	0.706719	0.707161	0.707302	0.707120
2SE	0.000014	0.000013	0.000014	0.000013	0.000014	0.000014
$^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}(t)$	0.706726	0.706705	0.706584	0.707151	0.707293	0.707101
$^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$	0.512878	0.512896	0.512917	0.512918	0.512935	0.512937
2SE	0.000003	0.000004	0.000004	0.000004	0.000003	0.000004
$\epsilon_{\text{Nd}}(0)$	4.7	5.0	5.4	5.5	5.8	5.8
$\epsilon_{\text{Nd}}(t)$	5.1	5.4	5.8	5.8	6.1	6.1
$f_{\text{Sm}/\text{Nd}}$	-0.35	-0.31	-0.29	-0.31	-0.27	-0.28

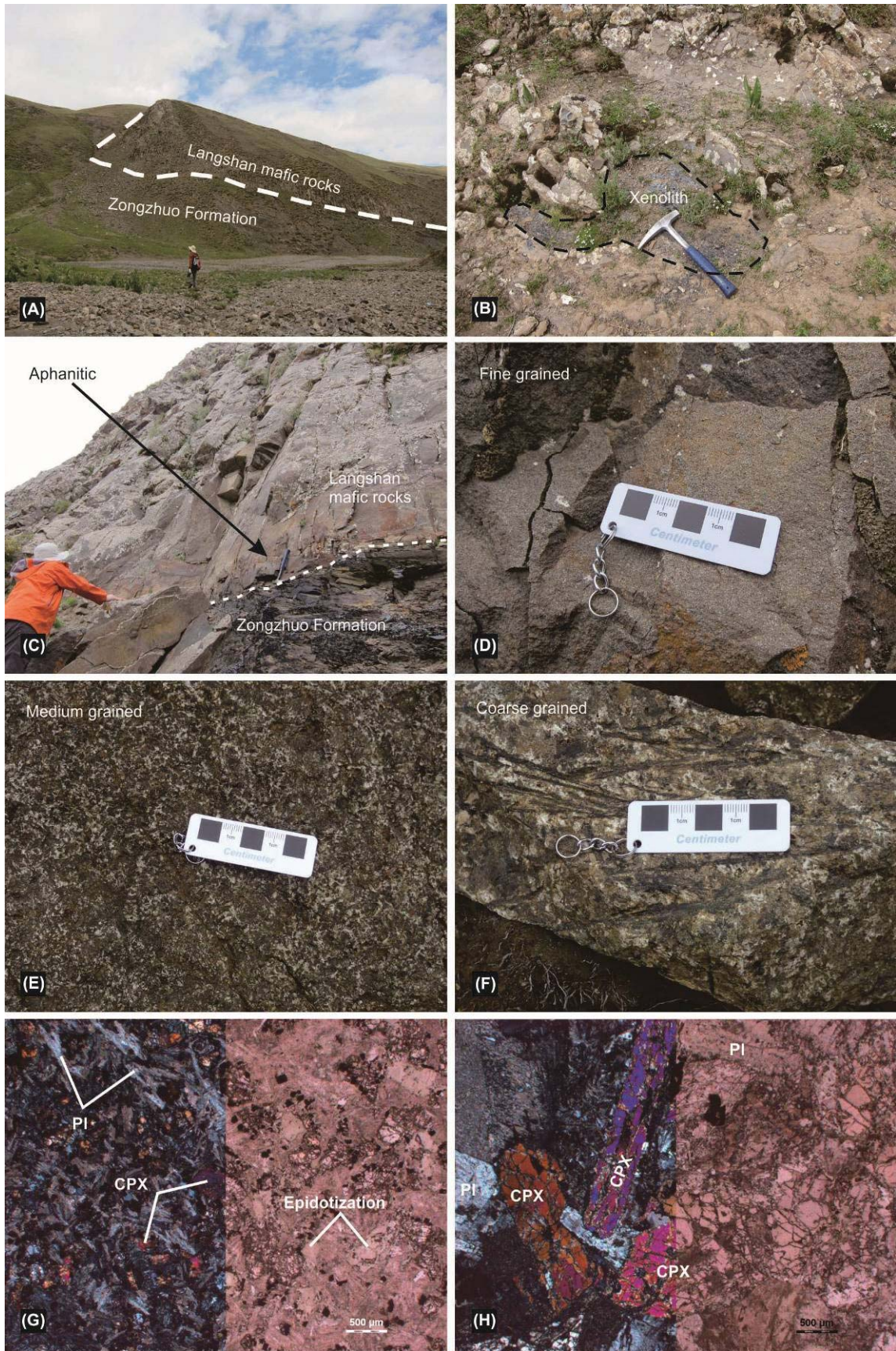
Table DR3. Apatite Sr isotopic data

Sample	$^{87}\text{Rb}/^{86}\text{Sr}$	2σ	$^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$	2σ	Age (Ma)	$^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}(t)$	2σ
12FW63: $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}(t) = 0.70317 \pm 0.00006$ (MSWD=2.3, n=24)							
12FW63 01	0.00059	0.00006	0.70327	0.00013	45	0.70327	0.00013
12FW63 02	0.00077	0.00009	0.70318	0.00019	45	0.70318	0.00019
12FW63 03	0.00047	0.00006	0.70328	0.00016	45	0.70328	0.00016
12FW63 04	0.00076	0.00011	0.70324	0.00024	45	0.70324	0.00024
12FW63 05	0.00121	0.00017	0.70338	0.00019	45	0.70338	0.00019
12FW63 06	0.00075	0.00010	0.70319	0.00016	45	0.70319	0.00016
12FW63 07	0.00140	0.00027	0.70320	0.00023	45	0.70320	0.00023
12FW63 08	0.00134	0.00010	0.70338	0.00021	45	0.70338	0.00021
12FW63 09	0.00058	0.00006	0.70298	0.00016	45	0.70298	0.00016
12FW63 10	0.00121	0.00029	0.70334	0.00044	45	0.70334	0.00044
12FW63 11	0.00043	0.00006	0.70304	0.00014	45	0.70303	0.00014
12FW63 12	0.00095	0.00007	0.70316	0.00016	45	0.70316	0.00016
12FW63 13	0.00149	0.00025	0.70321	0.00017	45	0.70321	0.00017
12FW63 14	0.00174	0.00035	0.70293	0.00033	45	0.70292	0.00033
12FW63 15	0.00294	0.00053	0.70288	0.00017	45	0.70288	0.00017
12FW63 16	0.00125	0.00012	0.70314	0.00016	45	0.70314	0.00016
12FW63 17	0.00095	0.00009	0.70320	0.00014	45	0.70320	0.00014
12FW63 18	0.00084	0.00018	0.70337	0.00020	45	0.70337	0.00020
12FW63 19	0.00106	0.00022	0.70324	0.00019	45	0.70324	0.00019
12FW63 20	0.00052	0.00004	0.70315	0.00018	45	0.70315	0.00018
12FW63 21	0.00092	0.00007	0.70304	0.00021	45	0.70304	0.00021
12FW63 22	0.00035	0.00005	0.70329	0.00019	45	0.70329	0.00019
12FW63 23	0.00080	0.00019	0.70292	0.00019	45	0.70292	0.00019
12FW63 24	0.00056	0.00007	0.70304	0.00023	45	0.70304	0.00023
13JT04: $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}(t) = 0.70312 \pm 0.00004$ (MSWD=2.2, n=29)							
13JT04 01	0.00026	0.00003	0.70323	0.00018	45	0.70323	0.00018
13JT04 02	0.00028	0.00002	0.70320	0.00016	45	0.70320	0.00016
13JT04 03	0.00032	0.00003	0.70309	0.00016	45	0.70309	0.00016
13JT04 04	0.00032	0.00002	0.70339	0.00012	45	0.70339	0.00012
13JT04 05	0.00024	0.00002	0.70292	0.00016	45	0.70292	0.00016
13JT04 06	0.00026	0.00002	0.70322	0.00015	45	0.70322	0.00015
13JT04 07	0.00029	0.00002	0.70304	0.00013	45	0.70304	0.00013
13JT04 08	0.00118	0.00020	0.70327	0.00016	45	0.70327	0.00016
13JT04 09	0.00068	0.00010	0.70297	0.00014	45	0.70297	0.00014
13JT04 10	0.00032	0.00005	0.70301	0.00017	45	0.70301	0.00017
13JT04 11	0.00034	0.00003	0.70322	0.00017	45	0.70322	0.00017
13JT04 12	0.00025	0.00002	0.70299	0.00015	45	0.70299	0.00015
13JT04 13	0.00050	0.00014	0.70315	0.00015	45	0.70315	0.00015
13JT04 14	0.00044	0.00002	0.70317	0.00013	45	0.70317	0.00013
13JT04 15	0.00040	0.00005	0.70314	0.00019	45	0.70314	0.00019

13JT04 16	0.00060	0.00010	0.70321	0.00017	45	0.70321	0.00017
13JT04 17	0.00023	0.00002	0.70306	0.00015	45	0.70306	0.00015
13JT04 18	0.00024	0.00002	0.70307	0.00013	45	0.70307	0.00013
13JT04 19	0.00126	0.00019	0.70306	0.00017	45	0.70306	0.00017
13JT04 20	0.00027	0.00002	0.70300	0.00012	45	0.70300	0.00012
13JT04 21	0.00033	0.00005	0.70309	0.00019	45	0.70308	0.00019
13JT04 22	0.00026	0.00003	0.70310	0.00017	45	0.70310	0.00017
13JT04 23	0.00036	0.00010	0.70307	0.00015	45	0.70307	0.00015
13JT04 24	0.00025	0.00002	0.70299	0.00014	45	0.70299	0.00014
13JT04 25	0.00065	0.00014	0.70312	0.00030	45	0.70312	0.00030
13JT04 26	0.00035	0.00005	0.70332	0.00018	45	0.70332	0.00018
13JT04 27	0.00031	0.00003	0.70314	0.00017	45	0.70314	0.00017
13JT04 28	0.00039	0.00006	0.70312	0.00016	45	0.70312	0.00016
13JT04 29	0.00032	0.00003	0.70316	0.00017	45	0.70316	0.00017

Table DR4. Apatite Nd isotopic data

Sample	$^{147}\text{Sm}/^{144}\text{Nd}$	2σ	$^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$	2σ	T(Ma)	$^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}(t)$	$\epsilon_{\text{Nd}}(0)$	$\epsilon_{\text{Nd}}(t)$	2σ
12FW60: $\epsilon_{\text{Nd}}(t) = 4.9 \pm 0.4$ (MSWD=2.4, n=20)									
12FW60 01	0.1223	0.0007	0.51284	0.00005	45	0.51281	4.0	4.4	1.0
12FW60 02	0.1270	0.0004	0.51289	0.00005	45	0.51285	4.8	5.2	1.0
12FW60 03	0.1211	0.0007	0.51289	0.00005	45	0.51285	4.8	5.3	0.9
12FW60 04	0.1216	0.0004	0.51281	0.00006	45	0.51278	3.4	3.8	1.3
12FW60 05	0.1251	0.0003	0.51283	0.00005	45	0.51279	3.7	4.1	0.9
12FW60 06	0.1288	0.0002	0.51286	0.00006	45	0.51283	4.4	4.8	1.1
12FW60 07	0.1235	0.0005	0.51291	0.00005	45	0.51287	5.3	5.7	1.0
12FW60 08	0.1265	0.0004	0.51292	0.00006	45	0.51289	5.6	6.0	1.2
12FW60 09	0.1262	0.0003	0.51282	0.00006	45	0.51279	3.6	4.0	1.2
12FW60 10	0.1196	0.0004	0.51287	0.00005	45	0.51284	4.6	5.0	0.9
12FW60 11	0.1236	0.0006	0.51286	0.00005	45	0.51282	4.3	4.7	1.0
12FW60 12	0.1297	0.0004	0.51283	0.00006	45	0.51279	3.8	4.1	1.1
12FW60 13	0.1284	0.0002	0.51282	0.00006	45	0.51278	3.5	3.9	1.3
12FW60 14	0.1266	0.0004	0.51286	0.00006	45	0.51283	4.4	4.8	1.1
12FW60 15	0.1261	0.0004	0.51287	0.00006	45	0.51283	4.4	4.8	1.1
12FW60 16	0.1242	0.0003	0.51293	0.00005	45	0.51289	5.6	6.0	1.0
12FW60 17	0.1213	0.0006	0.51280	0.00005	45	0.51277	3.2	3.6	1.0
12FW60 18	0.1280	0.0005	0.51295	0.00005	45	0.51292	6.2	6.6	1.0
12FW60 19	0.1245	0.0002	0.51289	0.00006	45	0.51285	4.9	5.3	1.1
12FW60 20	0.1290	0.0003	0.51288	0.00006	45	0.51284	4.7	5.1	1.2
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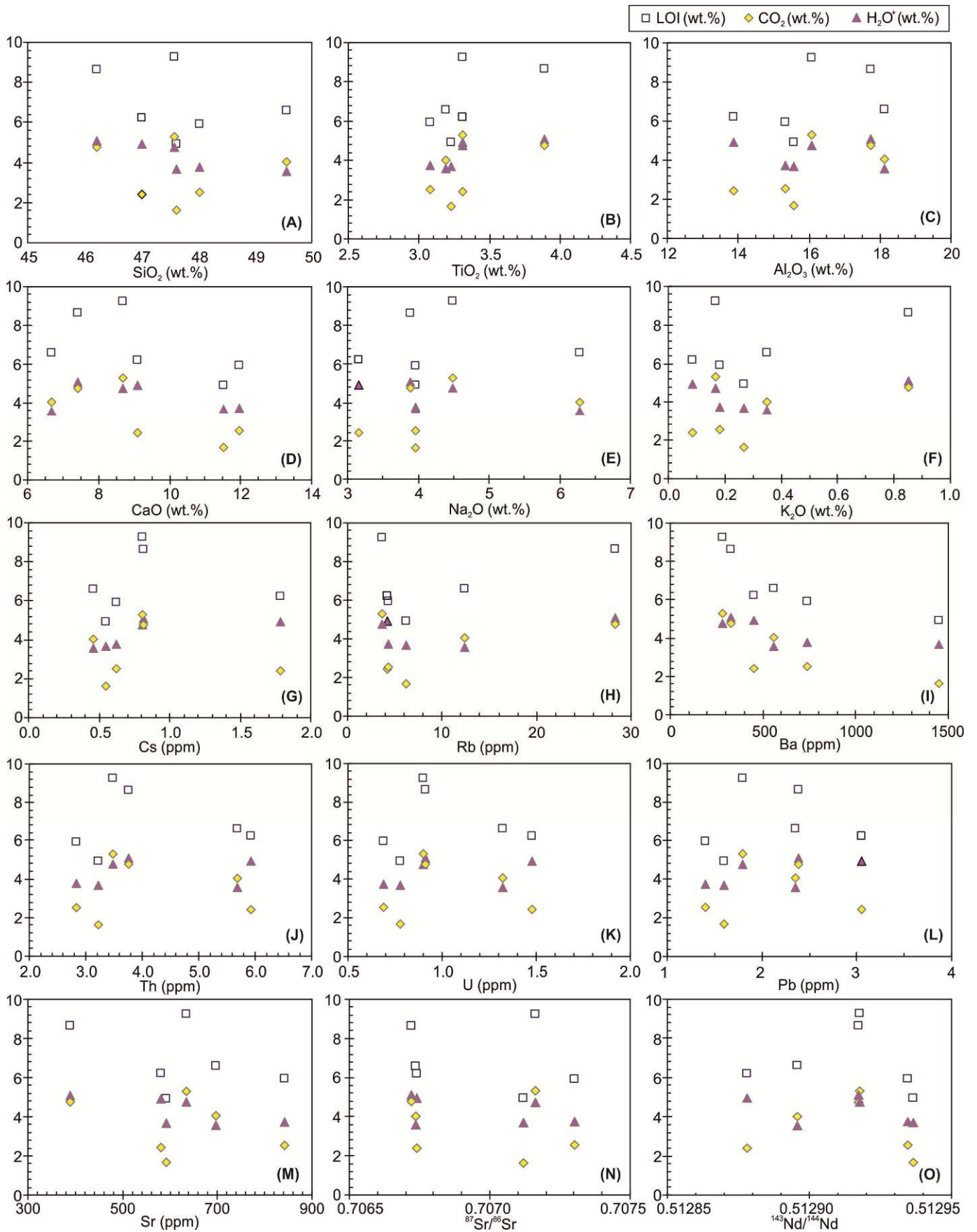
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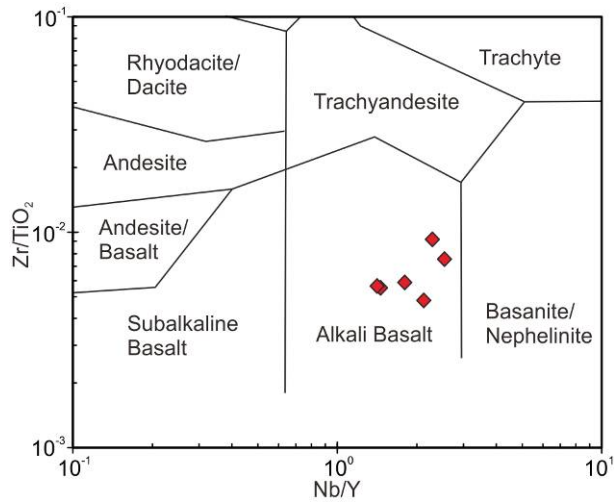
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Figure DR1. Pictures of Langshan mafic rocks showing field and petrography characters. (a) Field contact relations with wall rocks. (b) Shale xenolith from wall rock. (c-d) Various textures from aphanitic in the margin to coarse-grained in the central part. (g) and (h) Microphotograph for Samples 12FW58 (fine-grained) and 13JT06 (coarse-grained), respectively.



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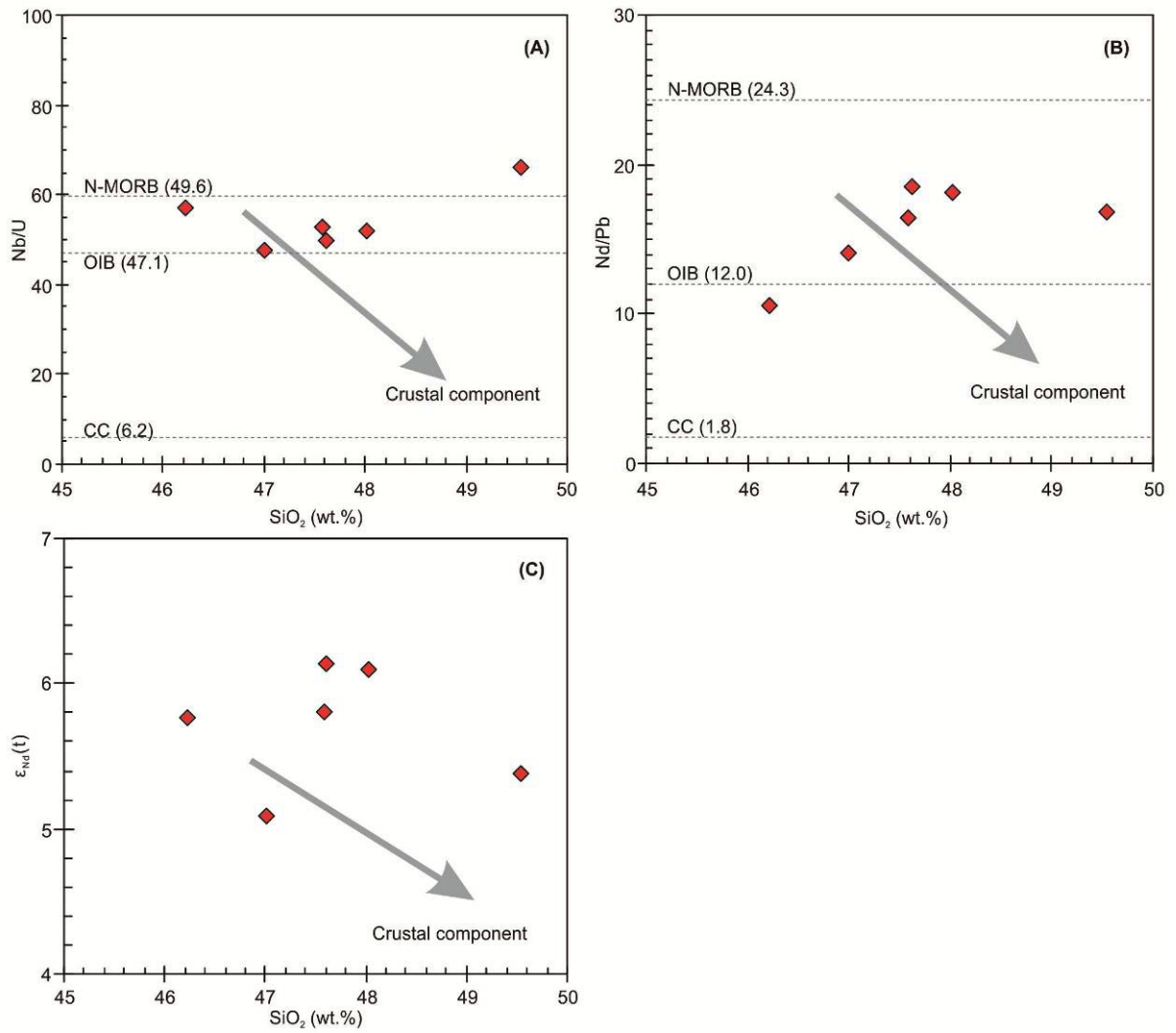
271 **Figure DR2.** Variation diagrams showing possible effect of hydrothermal alteration on major elements
 272 and fluid-mobile trace elements.



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274 **Figure DR3.** Nb/Y vs. Zr/TiO₂ diagram for Langshan mafic rocks (Winchester and Floyd, 1977).

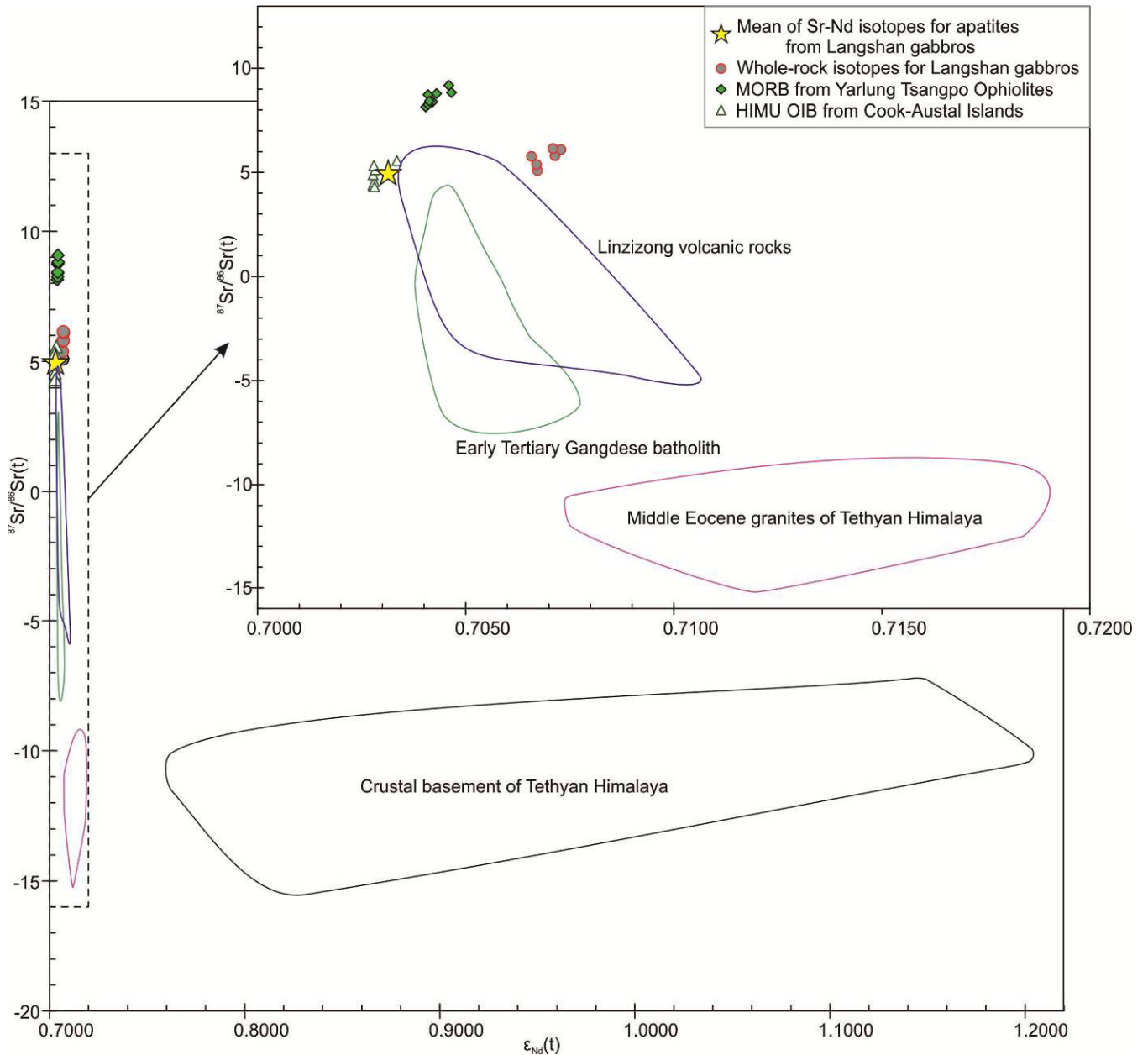
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277 **Figure DR4.** Plots of Nb/U vs. SiO₂ (a), Nd/Pb vs. SiO₂ (b), and ε_{Nd}(t) vs. SiO₂ (c). The data for OIB and

278 N-MORB, and CC are from Sun and McDonough (1989) and Rudnick and Gao (2003), respectively.



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281 **Figure DR5.** Sr-Nd isotopic diagram for Langshan gabbros with related data for the early Tertiary
 282 magmatism in southern Tibet, the crustal basement of Tethyan Himalaya (gneiss: [Zeng et al., 2011](#);
 283 [Zhang et al., 2004](#)), MORB from Yarlung Tsangpo Ophiolites ([Mahoney et al., 1998](#); [Xu and Castillo,](#)
 284 [2004](#)), and HIMU OIB from Cook-Austral Islands ([Hanyu et al., 2011](#)) shown for comparison. Other data
 285 sources include: middle Eocene granites of Tethyan Himalaya ([Aikman et al., 2012](#); [Hou et al., 2012](#); [Liu](#)
 286 [et al., 2014](#); [Zeng et al., 2011](#)), early Tertiary Gangdese batholith ([Jiang et al., 2014](#); [Ma et al., 2014](#);
 287 [Wang et al., 2015a, 2015b](#); and references therein), and Linzizong volcanic rocks ([Lee et al., 2012](#); [Mo et](#)
 288 [al., 2007, 2008](#)). The data for MORB from Yarlung Tsangpo Ophiolites and crustal basement of Tethyan
 289 Himalaya were age corrected by 45 Ma. As the apatites are not big enough to be analyzed of Sr and Nd

290 isotopes on one single crystal, we weighted all the apatite Sr and Nd isotopic compositions to represent
291 the Sr-Nd characteristics of Langshan gabbro on the diagram.