
The enriched Variscan lithosphere of NE Iberia: data from post-collisional Permian calc-alkaline lamprophyre dykes of Les Guilleries

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Post-collisional mafic dykes crosscut the Paleozoic metamorphic basement and late-Variscan plutons in Les Guilleries massif (Catalan Coastal Ranges, NE Iberia). The predominance of mafic phenocrysts, porphyritic texture, abundant amphibole, high MgO and volatile content, together with crustal-like trace-element patterns indicate that the dykes correspond to calc-alkaline lamprophyres, mainly spessartites. Their enrichment in LILE, HFSE and REE and initial Sr-Nd isotopic compositions ($^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}_i$ between 0.70851 and 0.71127, ϵNd_i between -5.23 and -4.63) are consistent with an enriched subcontinental lithospheric mantle source. U-Pb ages of matrix titanite crystals yield concordia ages of $262 \pm 7 \text{Ma}$, congruent with crosscutting relationships. Post-magmatic processes are evidenced by intense chloritization and albitization of the lamprophyres, together with systematic variations of Na_2O vs SiO_2 , K_2O , CaO, Ba, Rb, Cs, Pb, Sr, Tl, and Zn, and possibly the removal of F. The geochemical and geochronological data support an orogenic geochemical affinity, in accordance with the transitional tectonic regime between Variscan compression/transpression and post-collisional transtension/extension, related to the fragmentation of Pangea and thinning of the lithosphere. The lamprophyre dykes studied could represent the youngest pulse of Variscan orogenic magmatism and, therefore, mark its end in NE Iberia before the onset of the generalized Triassic extension.

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Calc-alkaline lamprophyre. Post-collisional dykes. Sr-Nd isotopes. Les Guilleries Massif. Catalan Coastal Ranges. Variscan Orogeny.

INTRODUCTION

Dyke swarms hold one of the keys to understanding the plate tectonics as they provide information on the extensional processes occurring in the continental and oceanic lithosphere (Peng *et al.*, 2016). Mafic dykes in particular are the primary channels of deep magma transport into the crust from a source area in the mantle;

they can thus be used to assess the nature of their parental magmas, location of magma reservoirs, emplacement mechanisms and/or regional paleostress conditions and to reconstruct ancient continental palaeogeographic regimes (Srivastava *et al.*, 2019).

In the Variscan Belt of Western Europe, mafic dyke swarms are essential constituents of the two main tectono-

magmatic and sedimentary cycles defined for the post-collisional orogenic evolution (Cortesogno *et al.*, 1998). The first cycle of Upper Carboniferous-Lower Permian age is ruled by an extensional, trans-tensional tectonic regime and is characterized by the calc-alkaline plutonic-volcanic magmatism and fluvio-lacustrine sedimentation. Dyke emplacement in the first cycle occurred diachronically in the Pyrenees, Iberian Ranges, Catalan Coastal Ranges (CCR) and Sardinia, and at different crustal levels (Lago *et al.*, 2004; Perini *et al.*, 2004; Ronca *et al.*, 1999; Ubide *et al.*, 2010; respectively). The second cycle is characterized by a plutonic-volcanic magmatism of alkaline geochemical signature associated with continental and shallow-marine sedimentation, generally developed from late Permian to early Triassic in south-western Europe, but was active since early Permian in some places (Cortesogno *et al.*, 1998). It marks an extensional event disconnected from the collapse of the Variscan belt, and likely related with the post-Variscan global re-organization of plates that would lead to the neo-Tethyan rifting in late Triassic times (Bonin, 1987; Orejana *et al.*, 2008; Wilson *et al.*, 2004).

The calc-alkaline mafic dyke swarms of the first cycle include, in some locations, potassium-rich varieties, such as lamproites, and calc-alkaline lamprophyres (spessartites, vosgesites, kersantites and minettes), that suggest the Variscan Subcontinental Lithospheric Mantle (SCLM) sources contained enriched domains in LILE (Large Ion Lithophile Elements: Ba, K, Rb, Sr, Th, U and Pb), HFSE (High Field Strength Elements: Hf, Nb, Ta, Ti, Zr and P) and REE (Rare Earth Elements), with high $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$, and low ϵNd (Perini *et al.*, 2004; Seifert, 2008; Soder, 2017). The general consensus is that these enriched domains are formed by metasomatism of the SCLM in suprasubduction zones when silica-rich, carbonatite-rich and/or asthenospheric melts penetrate mantle peridotite as vein networks (Foley, 1992; Prelević *et al.*, 2004; Seifert, 2008; Soder, 2017). Then, when the enriched mantle domains are affected by low degree melting, potassium-rich mafic magmas with a hybrid crustal and mantle signature may form; this magma can differentiate during ascent and may emplace at different crustal levels (Awdankiewicz, 2007; Elter *et al.*, 2004; Prelević *et al.*, 2004; Soder, 2017).

Alkaline mafic dykes of the second cycle also include potassium rich varieties such as camptonites, but they have a distinctive Oceanic Island Basalt (OIB) trace-element character with enrichments in LILE, HFSE and Light Rare Earth Elements (LREE), positive Nb-Ta and Ti anomalies, low $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$, and high ϵNd . This suggests an anorogenic nature of the magmas with no involvement of crustal and/or subduction-related components (Orejana *et al.*, 2008; Scarrow *et al.*, 2009).

The Catalan Coastal Ranges (CCR), which conform the north-easternmost Variscan domain of the Iberian

Peninsula, contain different sets of lamprophyric dyke swarms. In the locality of Aiguablava, at Costa Brava, dykes with a calc-alkaline geochemical signature appear crosscut by others of alkaline affinity (Enrique, 2009; Ubide *et al.*, 2010). The former (mainly spessartites) intrude a ca. 288Ma leucogranite and have been interpreted to be of Permian age (Enrique, 2009; Losantos, 2000). Structural analyses have shown that these dykes are oriented WNW-ESE and intruded along a preexisting joint network in late-Variscan batholiths during a post-collisional extensional/transensional tectonic regime (Martínez-Poza *et al.*, 2014). The second type of lamprophyres correspond to camptonites, which have $^{40}\text{Ar}/^{39}\text{Ar}$ ages of ca. $79.0\pm 0.5\text{Ma}$, unrelated to the Variscan orogeny (Ubide, 2013). This author interpreted the alkaline lamprophyres of CCR to represent the final stage of a series of alkaline magmatic pulses in NE Iberia that could have started during Triassic times, and lasted until the beginning of the Alpine orogeny, in relation with the continental rift setting developed in SW Europe during that period.

Vertical lamprophyric dykes also occur in Les Guilleries Massif, in the West-Central part of the CCR (about 50km west of Aiguablava), cutting metamorphic Paleozoic rocks (Fig. 1) and Variscan granitoids. Although they have been observed by many geologists, they have not been characterized yet. This study presents the petrography, geochemistry and geochronology of Les Guilleries Lamprophyre (LGL) dykes in order to evaluate their mantle source characteristics, melting conditions, time of emplacement, post-magmatic hydrothermal events and regional correlations. To facilitate correlations, geochemical data of the main Variscan magmatic occurrences of NE Iberia and nearby Paleozoic massifs are compiled and plotted alongside those of Les Guilleries.

GEOLOGICAL SETTING

Les Guilleries Massif, located in the north-western part of the CCR (Fig. 1A), mainly consists of Cambro-Ordovician metasedimentary units and orthogneisses cut by Variscan syn- to post-collisional intrusions (Durán, 1985, 1990). The massif is composed of three blocks separated by NE-SW striking normal faults. The deeper and higher-grade metamorphic block, the Osor block, outcrops in the southern part of the massif and contains sillimanite-grade metapelites with interlayered metapsammites, calc-silicates, amphibolites, and orthogneisses (Durán, 1985, 1990; Martínez *et al.*, 2008; Reche and Martínez, 2002; Sebastian, *et al.*, 1990). The Susqueda block is the intermediate one, which is composed of metapelites and metapsammites with quartzite layers and represents shallower levels of the crust, as the metamorphism reaches the andalusite-cordierite grade. The Osor and Susqueda

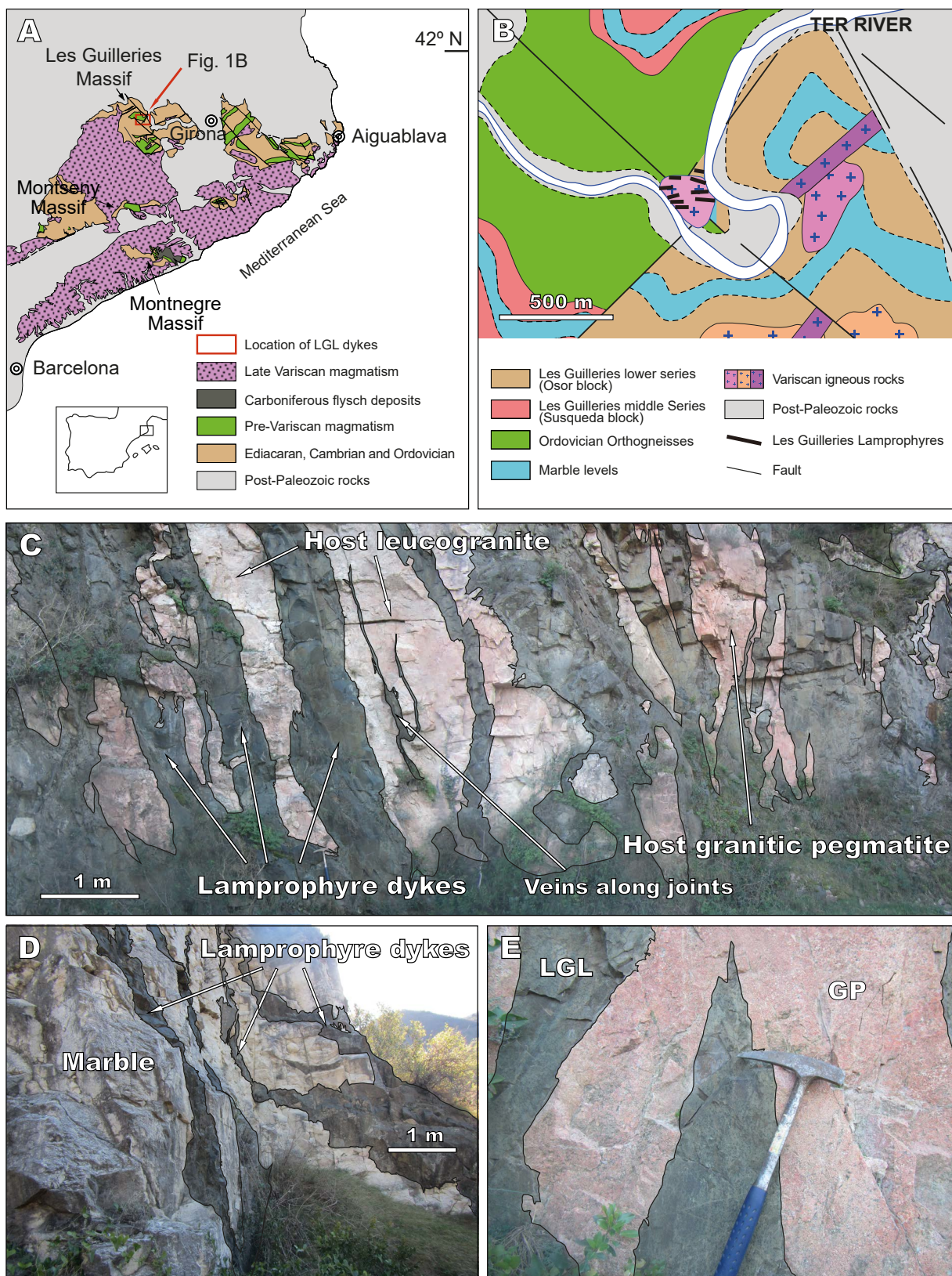


FIGURE 1. A) Location of les Guilleries Massif and Les Guilleries Lamprophyre (LGL) dykes within the Catalan Coastal Ranges. B) Detailed geological map of the study area and location of les Guilleries Lamprophyre dykes. C) Photograph of a lamprophyre dyke swarm cross-cutting Variscan leucogranites and granitic pegmatites. D) Photograph of lamprophyre dykes in a host marble. E) Photograph of lamprophyres (LGL) in a Variscan Granitic Pegmatite (GP) host.

blocks contain sill-like bodies of orthogneisses that record essentially continuous magmatic activity beginning at the Cambro-Ordovician boundary (488 ± 3 Ma) and reaching a peak of intrusions volume during the late Ordovician (462 ± 8 to 459 ± 3 Ma; [Martínez *et al.*, 2011](#)). The northern and uppermost Sant Martí block is composed of Ordovician metavolcanic rocks interbedded with metagreywackes and metapelites (U-Pb age 452 ± 4 Ma; [Martínez *et al.*, 2011](#)). Some Silurian and Devonian volcanosedimentary rocks also crop out in the northern part, although the sequences appear incomplete due to faulting ([Durán, 1990](#)).

Several Variscan igneous rocks intruded the metasedimentary sequences of Les Guilleries Massif. The oldest Variscan intrusive forms the Susqueda complex, the largest basic massif of the CCR, which is composed of quartz diorites and diorites with calc-alkaline geochemical affinity, together with hornblende gabbros and hornblendites ([Enrique, 1990](#); [Esteve *et al.*, 2016](#)). One syn-collision diorite sheet provided an U-Pb age of 323.6 ± 2.8 Ma ([Martínez *et al.*, 2008](#)), and most mafic intrusives are considered younger and post-tectonic ([Esteve *et al.*, 2018](#)). The Susqueda complex induces granulite-grade contact metamorphism and silica depleted melting in the host Susqueda block metasediments ([Riesco *et al.*, 2004](#)). Younger granites 305-299Ma old (U-Pb zircon ages; [Martínez *et al.*, 2008](#)) are abundant in the Osor block. Unpublished U-Pb Sensitive High Mass-Resolution Ion Microprobe (SHRIMP) ages of 284 ± 3 Ma have been found for post-collisional porphyritic granitoids (E.J. Martínez personal communication), which agree with the age of similar mafic and felsic plutonic bodies in the nearby Montnegre Massif, that yield $^{40}\text{Ar}/^{39}\text{Ar}$ ages between ca. 291 and 285Ma ([Solé *et al.*, 2002](#)). Ultrabasic-basic to intermediate rocks also appear associated with late-Variscan calc-alkaline granites in the Montnegre Massif, showing mineralogical and geochemical characteristics typical of appinite suites, with cumulate hornblendites and gabbros crystallized from K-rich and fluid-rich magmas and a complex mingled zone between diorites and biotite granodiorites ([Butjosa *et al.*, 2013](#); [Galán *et al.*, 2017](#)).

Several types of ore mineralizations have been found in Les Guilleries ([Ayora, 1990](#)). Epigenetic mineralizations, mainly skarns (Cu, Fe, Zn, Pb) and veins (F, Ba, Zn, Pb), seem to be related to hydrothermal fluid circulation induced by the post-metamorphic granitic intrusions ([Ayora, 1990](#)). The most important deposit occurs in the Osor block and consists of fluorite-barite veins with sphalerite and galena crosscutting Variscan porphyritic granites and metapelites. These veins show different stages of recrystallization that have been attributed to Variscan movements and subsequent rejuvenation during the Alpine orogeny ([Campá-Viñeta and Montoriol-Pous, 1974](#)).

To date, Permian basins haven't been observed in Les Guilleries Massif. The area is thus interpreted as a topographic high since early Permian and affected by the Permo-Triassic erosional paleosurface, adjacent to pull-apart basins developed in dextral transtensional settings ([Innocent *et al.*, 1994](#); [Lago *et al.*, 2004](#)). Some of the nearest Permian records are found in the Eastern Pyrenees, 90km to the NE (Serra del Cadí; [Innocent *et al.*, 1994](#)) and in the Iberian Ranges, 300km to the SE. These Permian basins record several syn- and post-rift depositional cycles, with or without volcanism, and a marked transition from calc-alkaline volcanism in the early-mid Permian to alkaline volcanism in the late Permian ([Arche and López-Gómez, 1996](#); [Innocent *et al.*, 1994](#)).

SAMPLING AND ANALYTICAL TECHNIQUES

Seven lamprophyre dykes and their wall-rocks were sampled in order to cover the differences encountered in the field. Petrographic analysis and Scanning Electron Microscope (SEM) characterization were performed at the Geology Department and Serveis de Microscòpia of the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona. The representative 13 samples were crushed and pulverized to $200\mu\text{m}$ and sent to ACTLABS, Ontario (Canada), for whole-rock geochemical analysis of 51 elements, including major, trace and rare earth elements. The analytical techniques used were lithium metaborate/tetraborate fusion with subsequent analysis by Ion Selective Electrode (ISE) for fluorine and Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectrometry (ICP-MS) for the rest of the elements (SiO_2 , TiO_2 , Al_2O_3 , Fe_2O_3 , MnO, MgO, CaO, Na_2O , K_2O , P_2O_5 , Li, Be, Sc, V, Cr, Co, Ni, Cu, Zn, Ga, Ge, Rb, Sr, Y, Zr, Nb, Sn, Cs, Ba, La, Ce, Pr, Nd, Sm, Eu, Gd, Tb, Dy, Ho, Er, Tm, Yb, Lu, Hf, Ta, W, Tl, Pb, Th and U). Detection limits and analytical errors are presented in [Table 1](#).

Sr-Nd isotopic analyses were carried out at the Geochronology Unit of Universidad Complutense de Madrid (UCM). For $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$, a mass spectrometer VG Sector-54® was used, following data acquisition method of dynamic multicollection during 10 blocks of 16 cycles each, with beam intensity of 3V. Isotopic standards used were NBS 987 ($^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr} = 0.710248\pm 0.000003$, National Bureau of Standards Certificate of Analysis). For $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ mass spectrometer TIMS-Phoenix® was used, following data acquisition method of dynamic multicollection during 160 cycles with beam intensity of 1V. Isotopic standard used was JNd_{i-1} ($^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd} = 0.512115\pm 0.000002$; [Tanaka *et al.*, 2000](#)). Analytical errors referred to two standard deviations are 0.01% for $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ and 0.006% for $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$.

U-Pb age measurements were conducted for titanite and allanite grains of samples from two dykes. Thin sections

TABLE 1. Whole-rock major and trace element concentration of LGL dykes

	Unit	DL	Dyke 1	Dyke 2	Dyke 3	Dyke 4	Dyke 5	Dyke 6	QMonz	Grd	GrPeg	LeuGr	LeuGr	LeuGr	LeuGr
SiO ₂	wt.%	0.01	49.82	51.19	51.78	53.53	51.85	50.49	70.67	67.45	74.99	70.95	71.67	68.32	66.81
Al ₂ O ₃	wt.%	0.01	16.46	15.24	16.44	15.75	16.17	15.53	14.94	16.14	13.99	14.96	14.73	15.36	15.84
Fe ₂ O ₃ (T)	wt.%	0.01	8.09	9.02	9.09	8.66	8.45	9.15	3.49	4.06	0.75	2.67	2.69	2.75	3.12
MnO	wt.%	0.001	0.188	0.165	0.169	0.193	0.141	0.134	0.169	0.15	0.046	0.046	0.052	0.052	0.056
MgO	wt.%	0.01	6.16	6.75	5.39	6.34	6.38	6.66	0.81	1.61	0.3	1.3	1.15	1.48	1.65
CaO	wt.%	0.01	6.42	5.72	5.65	3.61	6.35	6.56	2.31	2.51	0.63	1.03	0.81	0.99	1.06
Na ₂ O	wt.%	0.01	2.47	3.13	3.71	4.33	2.77	2.46	3.49	4.12	4.65	4.05	4.34	4.4	4.93
K ₂ O	wt.%	0.01	2.05	1.71	0.8	0.27	1.12	1.29	3.25	2.29	3.84	2.69	2.77	2.6	2.77
TiO ₂	wt.%	0.001	1.409	1.318	1.453	1.376	1.306	1.418	0.338	0.498	0.051	0.351	0.356	0.387	0.421
P ₂ O ₅	wt.%	0.01	0.37	0.39	0.4	0.37	0.34	0.42	0.11	0.15	0.22	0.11	0.16	0.14	0.17
LOI	wt.%		5.29	4.08	4.66	5.01	4.36	5.88	0.83	1.61	0.79	1.75	1.72	2.05	1.95
Total	wt.%	0.01	98.72	98.72	99.56	99.44	99.23	100	100.4	100.6	100.3	99.9	100.4	98.54	98.77
F	wt.%	0.01	0.08	0.06	0.06	0.07	0.03					0.02	0.02	0.03	0.03
Sc	ppm		1	27	25	27	26	26	25	7	9	5	6	6	6
Be	ppm		1	2	2	3	3	2	2	1	1	2	2	2	2
V	ppm		5	176	161	173	148	167	175	29	48	< 5	26	28	29
Cr	ppm		20	210	280	150	190	200	300	50	30	< 20	< 20	< 20	< 20
Co	ppm		1	29	33	44	32	41	32	47	27	67	28	38	33
Ni	ppm		20	80	100	50	70	80	110	< 20	< 20	< 20	< 20	< 20	< 20
Cu	ppm		10	< 10	30	40	< 10	30	30	40	10	10	< 10	< 10	< 10
Zn	ppm		30	130	130	170	230	90	110	40	50	< 30	40	40	50
Ga	ppm		1	22	19	21	20	19	18	18	19	13	18	18	19
Ge	ppm		0.5	1.6	1.7	2.4	2.3	1.2	2	1.8	1.9	2	1.1	1.1	1.3
As	ppm		5	< 5	< 5	< 5	< 5	< 5	< 5	< 5	< 5	< 5	< 5	< 5	< 5
Rb	ppm		1	68	51	29	9	47	46	74	58	95	73	74	69
Sr	ppm		2	391	295	360	296	349	310	309	371	135	243	199	204
Y	ppm		0.5	34.1	32.7	36.6	35.6	32.7	32.1	23.7	20.1	10	17.9	17.6	18.6
Zr	ppm		1	255	245	260	255	231	219	124	145	13	159	152	168
Nb	ppm		0.2	14.3	15.2	14.9	15	13.4	14.8	8	7.9	5.6	6.3	6.4	7.1

TABLE 1. Continued

	Unit	DL	Dyke 1	Dyke 2	Dyke 3	Dyke 4	Dyke 5	Dyke 6	QMonz	Grd	GrPeg	LeuGr	LeuGr	LeuGr	LeuGr
Mo	ppm	2	< 2	< 2	< 2	< 2	< 2	< 2	< 2	< 2	< 2	< 2	< 2	< 2	< 2
Ag	ppm	0.5	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6	< 0.5	0.5	< 0.5	0.5	< 0.5	0.6	0.5
In	ppm	0.1	0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1
Sn	ppm	1	2	1	1	1	< 1	1	1	1	4	< 1	< 1	< 1	1
Sb	ppm	0.2	< 0.2	< 0.2	< 0.2	< 0.2	< 0.2	< 0.2	< 0.2	< 0.2	< 0.2	< 0.2	< 0.2	< 0.2	< 0.2
Cs	ppm	0.1	2.2	1.4	1.3	0.6	1.7	2.6	2.2	1.4	2.5	1.9	2.1	3	1.9
Ba	ppm	2	776	483	348	61	412	619	783	624	452	772	644	619	627
La	ppm	0.05	40.2	43.2	42	38.3	37.5	39.1	34.3	31.8	4.69	27.8	27.1	30	30.5
Ce	ppm	0.05	86.2	89.3	90.2	82.4	80.5	83.8	69.7	64.5	9.98	56.3	56.1	60.6	60.7
Pr	ppm	0.01	10.5	10.9	11.1	10.1	9.79	10.3	7.9	7.39	1.18	6.41	6.37	7.04	6.95
Nd	ppm	0.05	41.7	43.7	43.4	40.7	39.3	42	30.4	28.1	4.38	24.3	24.3	26	26
Sm	ppm	0.01	8.58	8.32	8.9	8.22	8.09	8.5	6.1	5.41	1.62	4.76	4.59	5.26	4.98
Eu	ppm	0.005	1.91	1.87	2	1.72	1.83	1.91	1.04	1.11	0.413	0.999	0.964	1.01	1.11
Gd	ppm	0.01	6.82	6.87	7.46	7.03	6.58	6.92	4.84	4.57	1.64	3.72	3.82	3.91	3.7
Tb	ppm	0.01	1.04	1.07	1.13	1.1	1.04	1.08	0.74	0.65	0.33	0.56	0.57	0.6	0.56
Dy	ppm	0.01	6.39	6.07	6.84	6.46	6.12	6.09	4.16	3.64	2.03	3.24	3.18	3.5	3.21
Ho	ppm	0.01	1.2	1.12	1.3	1.21	1.18	1.18	0.8	0.72	0.37	0.61	0.61	0.65	0.58
Er	ppm	0.01	3.5	3.24	3.59	3.41	3.34	3.25	2.2	1.97	0.86	1.72	1.7	1.74	1.57
Tm	ppm	0.005	0.489	0.46	0.493	0.49	0.467	0.466	0.328	0.278	0.123	0.245	0.233	0.24	0.21
Yb	ppm	0.01	3.11	2.82	3.22	3.14	3.04	2.98	2.16	1.71	0.84	1.51	1.5	1.5	1.33
Lu	ppm	0.002	0.484	0.425	0.501	0.454	0.462	0.472	0.327	0.254	0.128	0.21	0.23	0.22	0.213
Hf	ppm	0.1	6	5.7	6.2	5.9	5.2	5.4	3.9	4.1	0.6	4	3.9	4.3	4.3
Ta	ppm	0.01	0.87	0.9	0.92	0.86	0.97	0.81	1.39	0.87	1.8	1.11	1.28	1.14	0.99
W	ppm	0.5	54.4	55.1	79.6	52.9	102	30.9	347	195	429	303	407	364	233
Tl	ppm	0.05	0.35	0.27	0.16	0.05	0.22	0.26	0.45	0.35	0.45	0.37	0.4	0.36	0.36
Pb	ppm	5	23	15	8	6	6	< 5	14	11	21	8	9	6	< 5
Bi	ppm	0.1	0.8	0.2	0.3	0.8	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1
Th	ppm	0.05	5.53	6.13	5.72	5.5	5.29	5.8	9.89	7.69	1.41	7.23	7.22	7.33	7.96
U	ppm	0.01	1.15	1.06	8.31	2.04	0.91	0.99	1.36	1.12	2.26	1.62	1.99	1.62	1.73
Mg#			60.1	59.7	54	59.1	59.9	59	31.49	43.99	44.20	49.09	45.85	51.60	51.16

were sent to University of California (UC) Santa Barbara (United States of America) for in situ U-Pb dating via Laser Ablation Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectrometry (LA-MC-ICPMS) following the procedures outlined in Spencer *et al.* (2013), Kylander-Clark *et al.* (2013) and Kylander-Clark (2020). Samples were ablated with a Photon Machines Excite 193 nm laser ablation system equipped with a HelEx cell, using a spot size of 25 μm and a repetition rate of 5 Hz. Aerosol from the laser was carried in a mixture of He and Ar and analyzed by a Nu Instruments Plasma High Resolution Multi Collector Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectrometry (HR MC-ICPMS) for U-Pb analysis and by an Agilent 7700X for trace-element analysis. For titanite, Reference Material (RM) MKED (Spandler *et al.*, 2016) was used to correct for instrumental offset of isotopic ratios, and BLR (Aleinikoff *et al.*, 2007) and Y1710C5 (Kylander-Clark *et al.*, 2008) were used to ensure accuracy; secondary RMs yielded ages within 2% of accepted values. Allanite analysis and data reduction required a two-step approach, first using NIST612 glass to correct for instrument drift and bias in $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ and $^{206}\text{Pb}/^{238}\text{U}$ ratios, followed by a correction of the $^{206}\text{Pb}/^{238}\text{U}$ ratio such that RMs SISS, BONA, and TARA yielded ages within 2% of accepted values (von Blanckenburg *et al.*, 1992; Smye *et al.*, 2014). Trace-elements were determined using NIST612 as the primary RM and ^{28}Si as the internal standard, assuming 19.2 wt% in titanite and 14 wt% in allanite.

In order to recognize possible genetic relationships between the LGL dykes, their host rocks and other Variscan magmatic occurrences, their chemical composition has been compared with those of several rocks that represent some of the compositional end members of Variscan magmatism of Western Europe. These are calc-alkaline lamprophyres and lamproites to represent different extents of SCLM enrichment, Permian calc-alkaline volcanic andesites and alkaline basalts from eastern Pyrenees and the Iberian Ranges, Permian alkaline lamprophyres from the Iberian Central System (ICS) to represent asthenospheric influences, and ultramafic (appinites) to felsic intrusives of the Catalan Coastal Batholith and appinites from NW Iberia to represent main Variscan mantle-crust magmatism (compiled data in Appendix I).

FIELD OBSERVATIONS AND PETROGRAPHY

Les Guilleries lamprophyres crop out in a narrow zone (<2 km²) on the walls of a unique meander of the Ter River, which formed by Alpine rejuvenation of the terrane. The meander probably reflects the strength to weathering of the Variscan granitoids that host the lamprophyres. This zone is highly fractured and highly altered in some places, reflecting multiple superimposed processes heterogeneously affecting the rocks at the meter scale.

Les Guilleries lamprophyres appear as a vertical to sub-vertical dyke swarm with branching dykes of some centimeters to meters in width and tens of meters in length, emplaced in the intersection of two perpendicular fault systems oriented NE-SW and NW-SE (Fig. 1A-B). They are dark colored that contrasts with the white to red granitoid hosts (quartz-monzonites, granodiorites, leucogranites and granitic pegmatites) and the grayish lower Paleozoic schists and marbles (Fig. 1C-E). The dykes are approximately E-W oriented although segmentation of the dykes in other directions is noticeable at decimeter- to centimeter-scale, along fractures and joints. The dykes have sharp contacts with their host rocks, with no evident fracturing at the tips of single veins (Fig. 1C). In hand specimens, all lamprophyres present a fine porphyritic texture with millimetric green phenocrysts and some sulfides in a micrometric groundmass, with variable spatial distribution of the phenocrysts at a centimetric scale.

The phenocrysts consist of mostly light green chlorite as seen in thin section, possibly altering pyroxene, amphibole and/or phlogopite crystals, with variable amounts of secondary epidote, albite and calcite, with some pyrite and chalcopyrite inclusions (Fig. 2A-C). These altered phenocrysts varied in shape and size (0.5 - 1.5 mm). Millimeter size subhedral anorthite-albite phenocrysts are also present in all samples with varying proportions, commonly showing sericite and hematite inclusions (Fig. 2C). Millimetric dark brown amphibole phenocrysts up to 1.5 mm, strongly replaced by chlorite and albite, are only present in some dykes, which appear to be the less altered (Fig. 2D). Some dykes contain millimetric xenocrysts of rimmed alkali feldspar whereas quartz occurs sporadically in others (Fig. 2E). Veins of epidote, calcite or both, of micrometric to millimetric width, are present in all dykes but are more common in the most altered ones (Fig. 2F).

The groundmass of the less altered dykes is composed of primary amphibole (actinolite to hornblende with cores slightly enriched in titanium and alkalis), anorthite, albite, K-feldspar and minor titanite, epidote, calcite, ilmenite, allanite, fluoroapatite, spinel, zircon, and pyrite together with secondary calcite, epidote, chlorite, albite, titanite and quartz (Fig. 2G-H). A diminishing content of amphibole, anorthite and K-feldspar along with an increasing content of albite, chlorite, epidote, titanite and quartz are observed with increasing alteration. Thus, the most altered dykes are dominated by secondary chlorite and albite phenocrysts, with a groundmass dominated by albite and chlorite (Fig. 2I) and minor epidote, titanite, ilmenite, quartz and rutile.

WHOLE-ROCK MAJOR AND TRACE ELEMENT CHEMISTRY

Major- and trace-element concentration of the LGL dykes are presented in Table 1. Even though some dykes appear

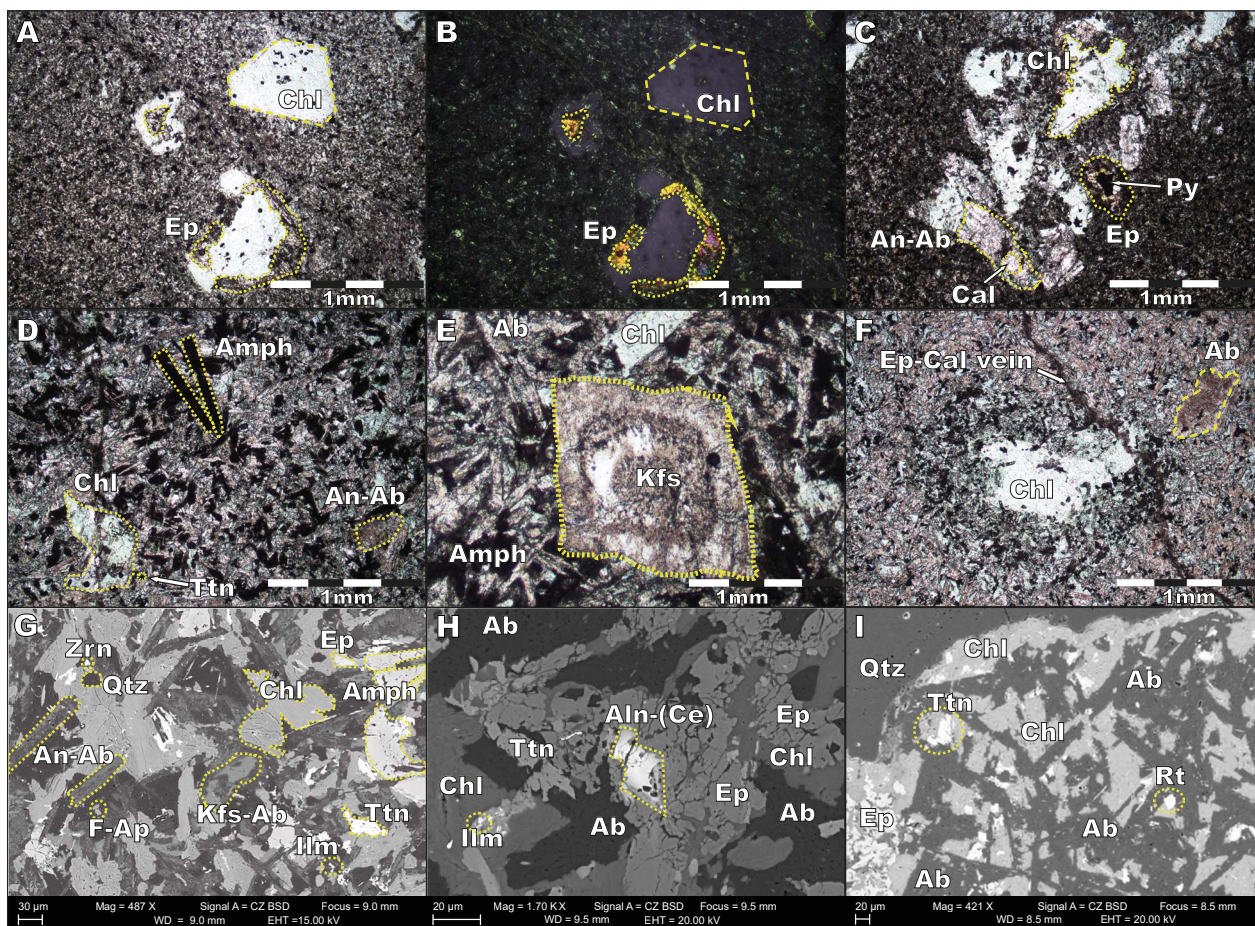


FIGURE 2. Photographs (A-F) and Back-Scattered Electron (BSE) images (G-I). A) Chloritized phenocrysts with inclusions and rims of epidote, in a fine grained matrix of mainly chloritized domains (green) and feldspatic domains (white), with opaque minerals mainly altered amphibole and titanite (black). B) Figure 2A in cross-polarised light. C) Glomeroporphyritic texture of chloritized mafic phenocrysts and albitized anorthite phenocrysts, with minor epidote and calcite, and pyrite inclusions. D) Elongated dark brown amphibole phenocrysts in a less altered sample. E) Sporadic rimmed alkali feldspar xenocryst. F) Chloritized phenocryst surrounded by tiny crystals of amphibole, chlorite and anorthite-albite (commonly known as “ocelli”) reflecting disequilibrium conditions. Reddish hematitized albite phenocryst and epidote-calcite veins are also shown. G) Representative sample of the less altered dykes. It shows primary amphibole (mainly actinolite and hornblende), anorthite, K-feldspar, titanite, ilmenite, F-apatite, zircon and secondary chlorite, epidote, albite and quartz. H) Magmatic allanite-(Ce) affected by epidotization, chloritization and albitization (in that order). Some allanite crystals are surrounded by epidote coronas (not shown). I) Representative sample of the most altered dykes, showing predominance of secondary albite in the lamprophyre matrix, followed by chlorite and minor epidote, titanite and rutile. In the top left, part of a quartz xenocryst shows slightly reabsorbed boundaries. Ab: albite. Aln-(Ce): allanite-(Ce). Amph: amphibole. An: anorthite. Cal: calcite. Chl: chlorite. Ep: epidote. F-Ap: fluoroapatite. Ilm: ilmenite. Kfs: k-feldspar. Py: pyrite. Qtz: quartz. Rt: rutile. Ttn: titanite. Zrn: zircon.

more altered than others, they all present similar values of MgO (5.3-6.8%; Mg# 54-60), Al₂O₃ (15.2-16.5%), Fe₂O₃T (8.0-9.2%), TiO₂ (1.3-1.5%), P₂O₅ (0.37-0.42%), MnO (0.13-0.20%) and Loss On Ignition (LOI, 4.08-5.29%). However, the concentration is more variable in SiO₂ (49.8-53.6%), CaO (3.6-6.6%), Na₂O (2.4-4.4%) and K₂O (0.2-2.1%). These compositions plot in the calc-alkaline field (Fig. 3A) in the Na₂O+K₂O vs SiO₂ diagram of Rock (1991); ranging from the limit of the shoshonite to low-K calc-alkaline suites (Fig. 3B) in a K₂O vs SiO₂ diagram (Peccerillo and Taylor, 1976). These lamprophyres contain more iron than magnesium (Fe₂O₃T>MgO), more sodium than potassium (K₂O/Na₂O<1), and the K₂O content is generally inversely correlated with that of Na₂O (Fig. 3C). Silica concentration is directly proportional

to Na₂O concentration and inversely related to CaO and K₂O contents; these compositional variations are in agreement with the abundance of albite, anorthite and K-feldspar described in the Petrography section. All dykes show similar immobile Zr/Ti and Nb/Y ratios, corresponding to andesite to sub-alkaline basalt affinities (Fig. 3D).

Enrichments in LILE (K, Ba, Cs, Rb, Th) and HFSE (Zr, Hf), positive Pb and negative Nb, Ta, Sr and Ti anomalies can be observed for most dykes in a trace-element pattern normalized to primitive mantle values diagram (Fig. 4A). These are common features for calc-alkaline lamprophyres (Rock, 1991) and are also observed in Aiguablava dykes (Ubide *et al.*, 2010).

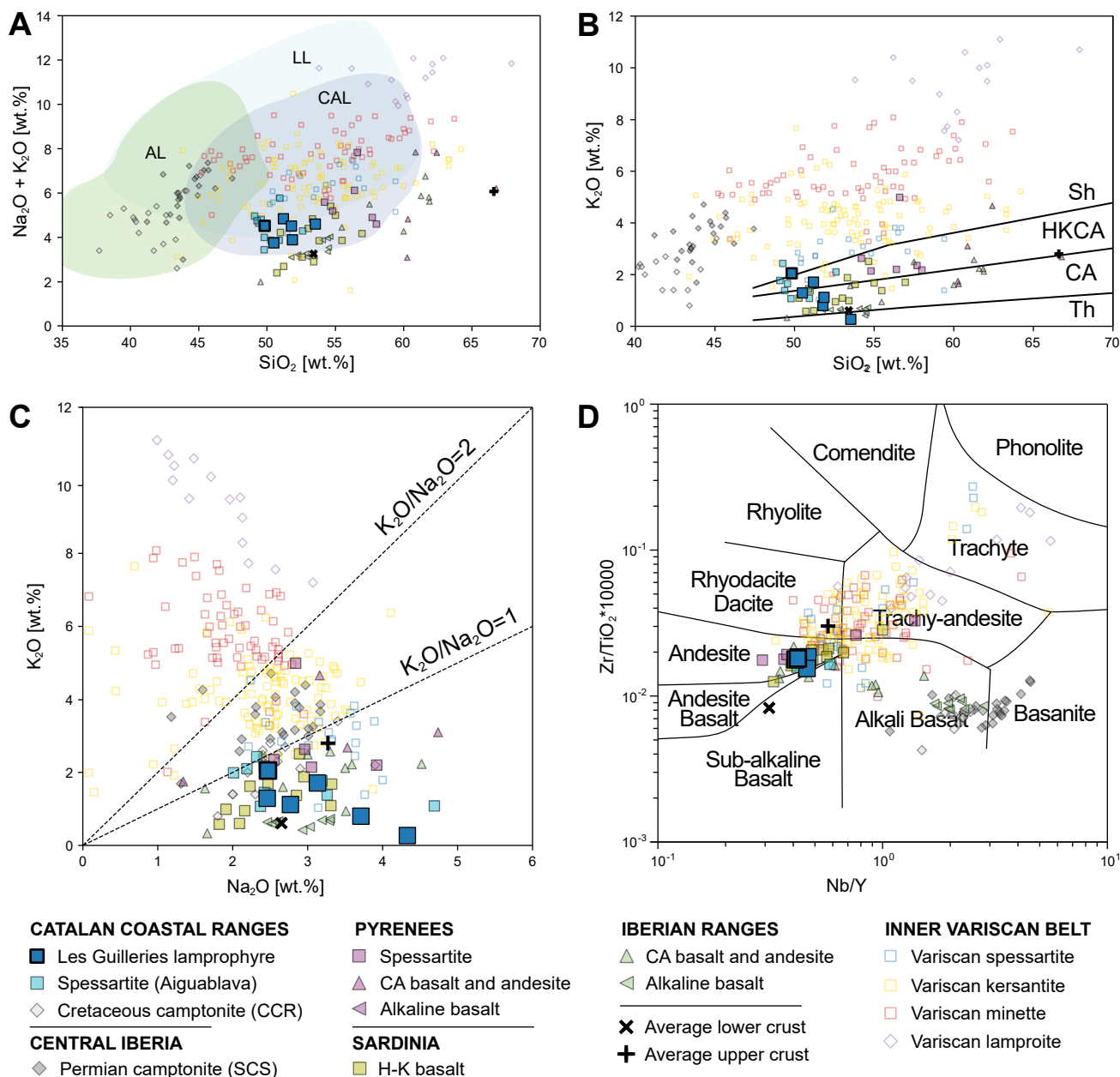


FIGURE 3. A) $\text{Na}_2\text{O} + \text{K}_2\text{O}$ vs. SiO_2 diagram of lamprophyre classification (fields after Rock, 1991). AL: alkaline lamprophyre. CAL: calc-alkaline lamprophyre. LL: lamproite. B) K_2O vs. SiO_2 classification diagram for orogenic magmatic rocks (Peccerillo and Taylor, 1976). Sh: shoshonite. HKCA: high-K calc-alkaline. CA: calc-alkaline. Th: tholeiitic. C) K_2O vs. Na_2O showing that all LGL dykes have $\text{K}_2\text{O}/\text{Na}_2\text{O} < 1$. D) Zr/TiO_2 vs. Nb/Y diagram (after Winchester and Floyd (1977)) in which LGL dykes plot in the fields of andesite to sub-alkaline basalt. Data sources: Aiguablava spessartites, Enrique (2009) and Ubide *et al.* (2010); Cretaceous camptonites from the Catalan Coastal Ranges (CCR), Ubide (2013); camptonites from the Spanish Central System, Orejana *et al.* (2008); spessartites from Maladeta (Pyrenees), Perini *et al.* (2004); high-K basaltic andesite dykes from Sarrabus (Sardinia), Ronca *et al.* (1999); Permian volcanic calc-alkaline andesites and alkaline basalts from eastern Pyrenees (Serra del Cadí, Innocent *et al.*, 1994) and the south-eastern Iberian Ranges (Lago *et al.*, 2004; Lago *et al.*, 2012). Variscan spessartites, kersantites and minettes from the inner parts of the Variscan Belt are from: minettes, kersantites and spessartites from Vosges, Schwarzwald and Black Forest, Soder (2017); kersantites and spessartites from Erzgebirge in Bohemian massif, Seifert (2008); lamproites from Bohemian massif, Krmíček *et al.* (2015). Average lower and upper crust from Rudnick and Gao (2003).

Chondrite-normalized REE patterns also show similar fractionation for all dykes, independent of their alteration degree, with enrichments up to two orders of magnitude with respect to chondrite, enrichments in LREE with respect to Middle Rare Earth Elements (MREE) and HREE, and negative Eu anomaly (Fig. 4B). In spite of the

similarities, significant variations among LGL dykes show up for mobile elements and the highest differences occur for F, Ba, Sr, Cr, Zn, Ni, Rb, Pb and Cs concentrations. Figure 5 shows that Ba, Rb and Cs concentrations decrease with increasing Na_2O content. A similar trend is observed for Pb, Sr, Cr and Ni concentrations, although it is less

evident. On the other hand, Zn concentration increases with Na₂O (Fig. 5).

LGL dykes have major- and trace-element concentrations similar to the Aiguablava spessartites, but slightly more enriched in most HFSE and REE (Fig. 4A). With respect to other Variscan K-rich mafic dykes, the LGL dykes present lower enrichments in LILE, HFSE and REE in general, but within the ranges of variation of Variscan spessartites (Fig. 4A). LGL dykes also show major- and trace-element concentrations similar to high-K basaltic andesite dykes from Sardinia (Fig. 4A).

The plots of Figure 6 show that Variscan enriched mafic dykes show a wide variation in the concentration of several elements at similar MgO content, with clear differences between calc-alkaline (orogenic) and alkaline (anorogenic)

lamprophyres, as the later show higher TiO₂ and Fe₂O₃ content. LGL dykes cluster together with Aiguablava spessartites and high-K basaltic andesite dykes from Sardinia, showing characteristic high values of Al₂O₃, Fe₂O₃ and low values of K₂O and total REE, which are closer to average lower crustal values than spessartites, kersantites, minnetes and lamproites located in more internal positions within the Variscan belt (closer to the Rheic suture, here referred for simplicity as “Inner Variscan Belt”). LGL dykes also show Al₂O₃, CaO, Fe₂O₃, K₂O and LOI similar to some calc-alkaline basalts and andesites from Permian basins in the Eastern Pyrenees and Iberian Ranges, but with generally higher TiO₂, P₂O₅ and REE contents.

With respect to Variscan intrusives of the Catalan Coastal Batholith, LGL dykes have higher concentrations in K₂O, TiO₂, P₂O₅ and LOI at the same silica content, whereas in the rest of major-element concentrations, LGL dykes are similar

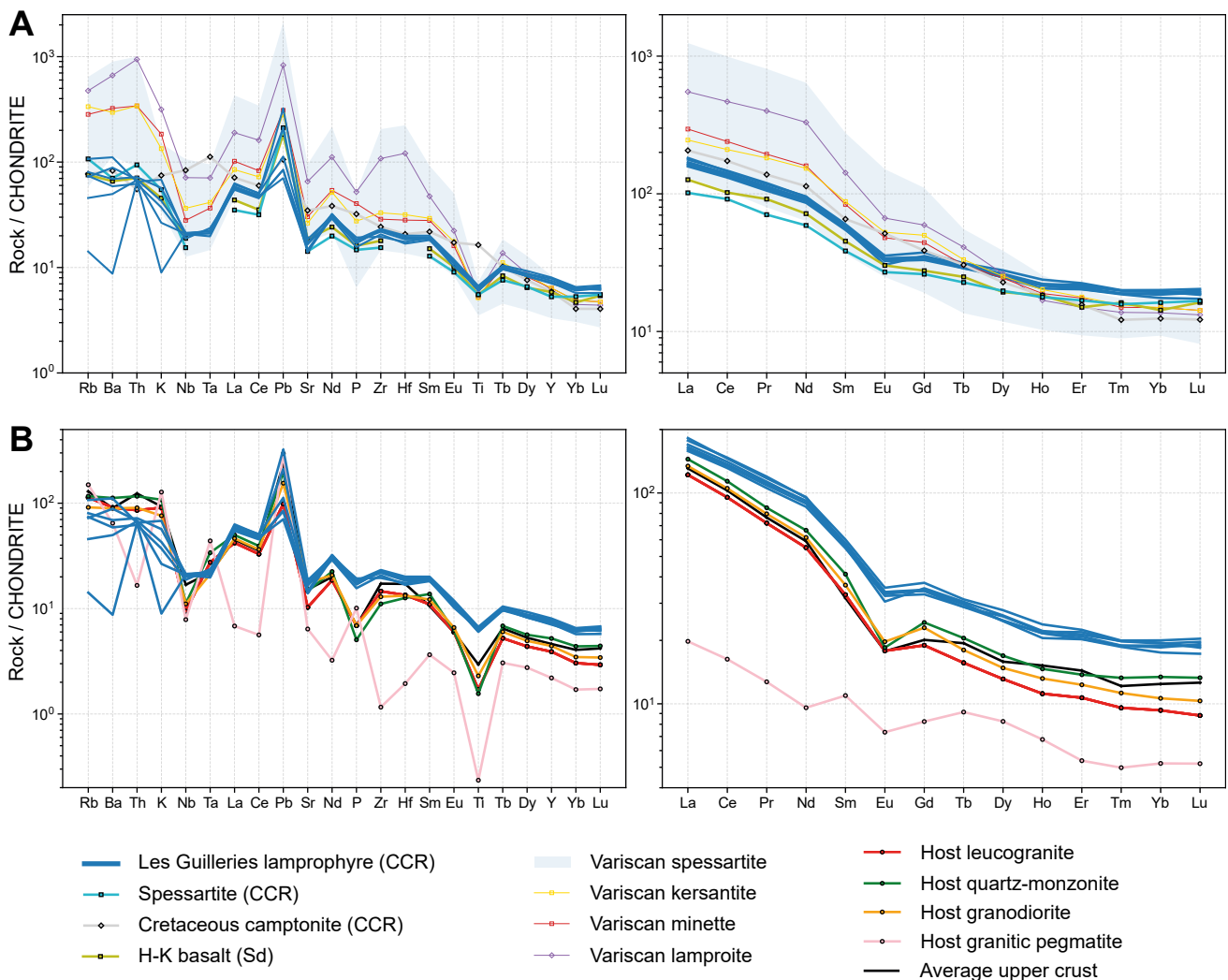


FIGURE 4. Primitive mantle-normalized trace element patterns (left) and chondrite-normalized REE patterns (right) of LGL dykes with respect to A) Variscan calc-alkaline lamprophyres and lamproites and host, B) Variscan granitoids. Median values are shown except for LGL dykes and the dark area represent the wide compositional variation of Variscan spessartites. Normalizing values of primitive mantle and chondrite from Sun and McDonough (1989) and McDonough and Sun (1995), respectively. Data sources as in Figure 3.

to those of gabbros from the appinite suits of Susqueda and Montnegre and fall within the known calc-alkaline trend of post-collisional Variscan magmatism in the CCR (Fig. 7).

Sr-Nd isotopes

Whole-rock Sr-Nd isotopic compositions of LGL dykes are presented in Table 2. $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}_i$ values range from

0.708510 to 0.711272 ± 0.000005 , where the highest values are found in the most altered samples. $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ ratios show a narrower range, between 0.512231 and 0.512246 ± 0.000002 , with calculated ϵNd_i from -5.23 to -4.63 (Fig. 8). Initial Sr-Nd isotopic compositions of LGL dykes plot within the ranges of variation of Variscan minnetes, kersantites and spessartites from Erzgebirge, Schwarzwald, Vosges and Pyrenees, with high $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}_i$ and low ϵNd_i

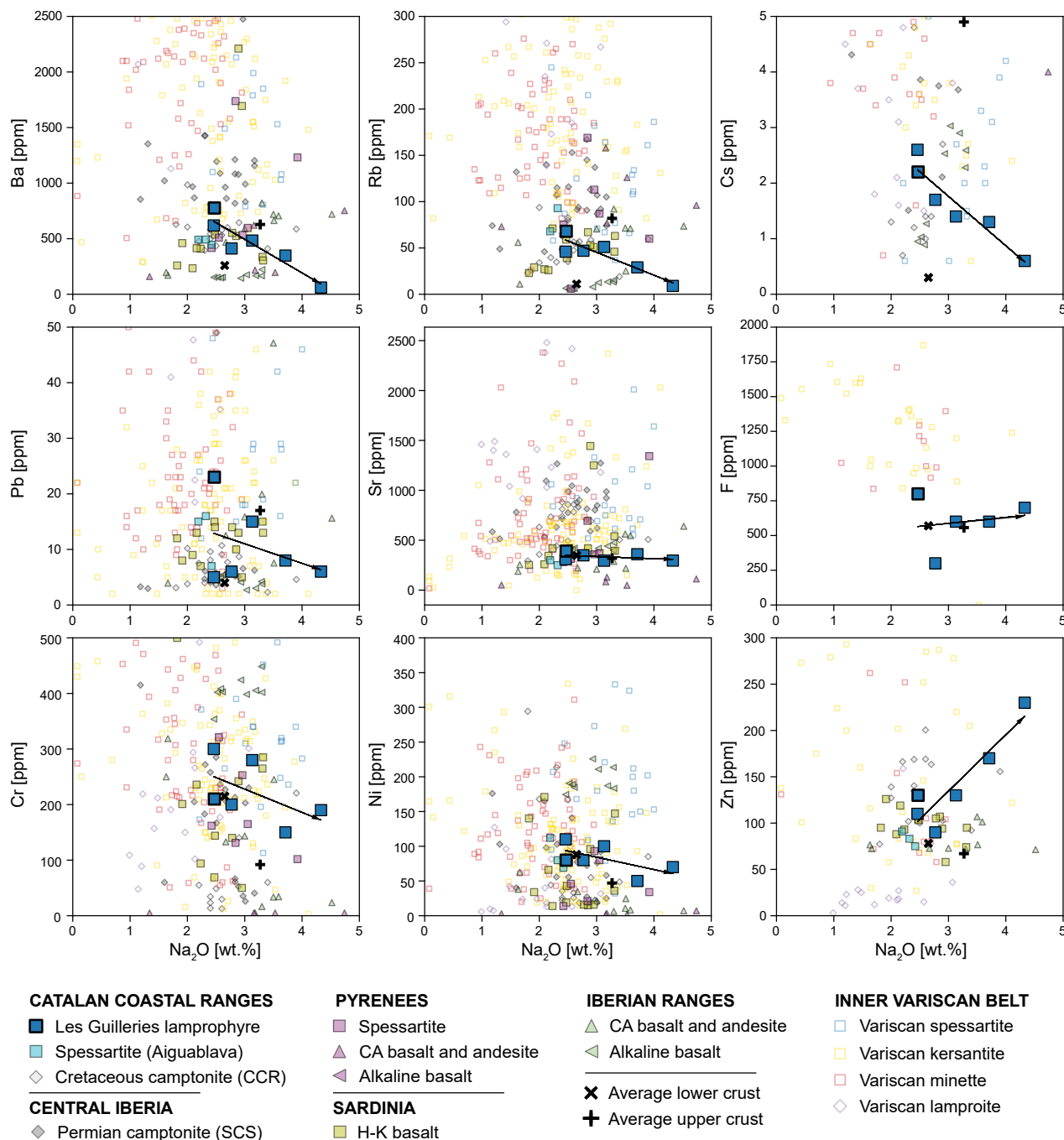


FIGURE 5. Trace element concentrations vs. Na_2O of LGL dykes showing the most mobile elements during alteration. Arrows point towards increasing albittization. Data sources as in Figure 3.

typical of variably enriched lithospheric mantle sources (Fig. 8A). In the ICS the isotopic composition of pyroxenitic and hornblenditic xenoliths overlap with the lamprophyre compositional fields, implying that the mantle beneath the ICS has a “two-pole composition”: one pole is a depleted isotopic component with high ϵNd_i (3.5 to 7.1) and low $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}_i$ (0.7029 to 0.7044); the second pole is an enriched

lithospheric mantle with low ϵNd_i values (0.9 to 1.5) and relatively high $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}_i$ (0.7043 to 0.7051) (Orejana *et al.*, 2006). LGL dykes show even higher $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}_i$ (up to 0.7112) and lower ϵNd_i (-5.23 to -4.63), clustering together with high-K basalts from Sardinia, and Permian calc-alkaline volcanics from the Iberian Ranges and Eastern Pyrenees (Fig. 8A).

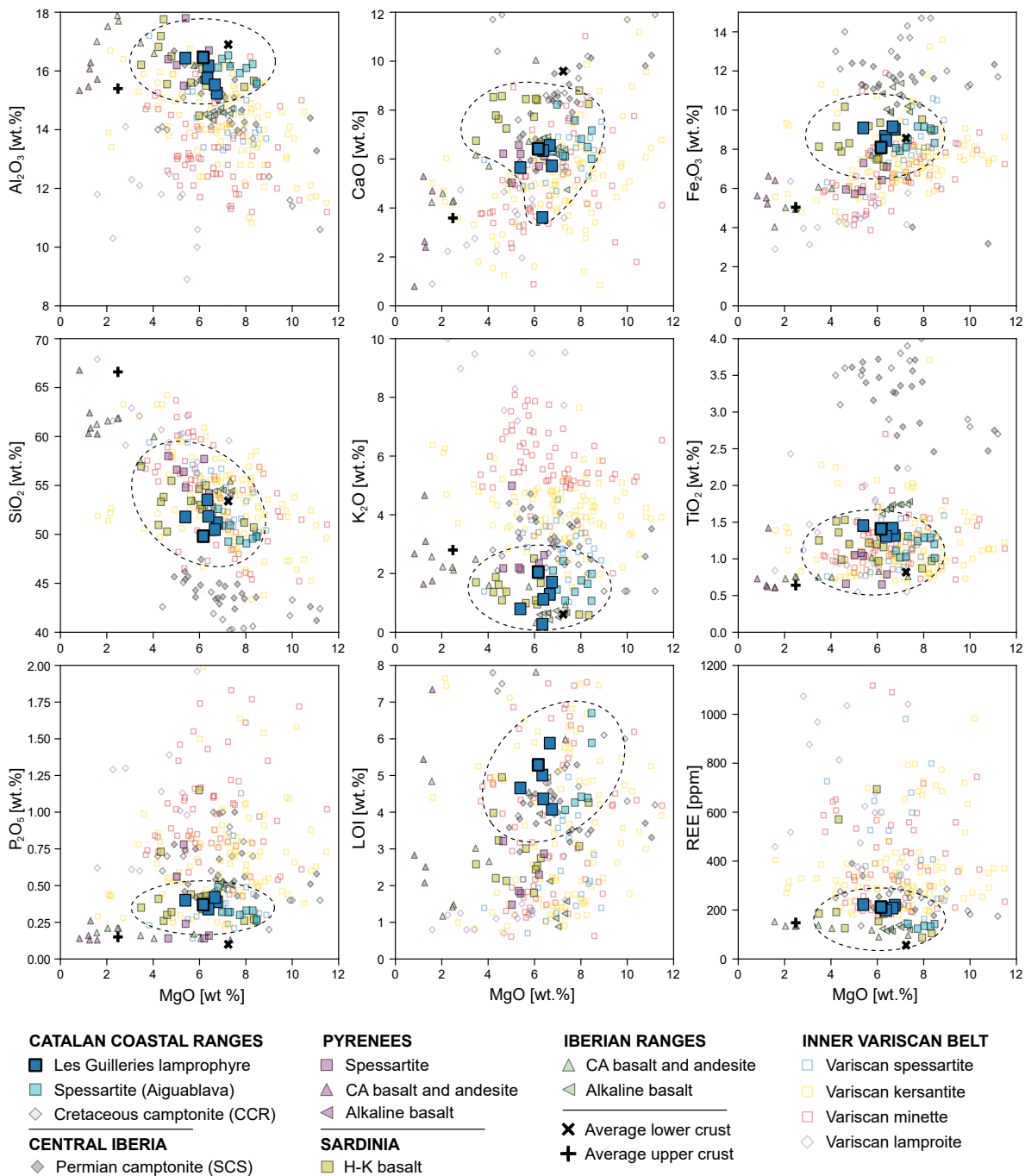


FIGURE 6. Major element constituents vs. MgO and total REE content of LGL dykes with respect to other Variscan lamprophyres and lamproites. The composition of LGL dykes is roughly similar to Aiguablava spessartites and high-K basalts from Sardinia in most elements. Dotted lines enclose the data from the Catalan Coastal Ranges and Sardinia. Data sources as in Figure 3.

Other SCLM domains in Western Europe present different Sr-Nd isotopic compositions in geochemically similar enriched mafic dykes. In southwest Britain, post-Variscan ultrapotassic lamprophyres emplaced north of a main boundary, fall on the mantle array, with ϵNd_i ranging from -1 to +1.6, related to the Avalonia terrane, while those south of the boundary are enriched in radiogenic Sr, have initial ϵNd_i values of -0.3 to +3.5, and are isotopically indistinguishable from similar-aged lamprophyres in Armorican massifs in Europe (Dijkstra and Hatch, 2018). Lamprophyres from Vosges and Black Forest show even lower ϵNd_i values that overlap with LGL between -4 and -6, as well as the highest $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}_i$ enrichments between 0.708 and 0.712. Soder (2017) found a boundary between Saxo-thuringian granitoids and lamprophyres with higher ϵNd_i and lower $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}_i$, and the Moldanubian granitoids and lamprophyres with lower ϵNd_i and higher $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}_i$ that cluster together with LGL dykes (Fig. 8B).

U-Pb ages in titanite

The lack of fresh phenocrysts, commonly used for lamprophyre dating, and the scarcity of zircons, make titanite and allanite from the matrix the only minerals suitable for dating. Allanite shows intense alteration and yields lower intercept dates with large uncertainties, therefore only titanite ages are taken into account. Additionally, only small crystals of titanite are present, so that it was not possible to obtain several spots from a single unzoned crystal. Therefore, the ages are an average of several titanite grains of up to $50\mu\text{m}$ in length. The only reliable ages obtained come from two variably altered dykes. The less altered dyke yielded the best results with lowest Mean Square Weighted Deviation (MSWD = 0.89) and concordia ages from Tera-Wasserburg diagram of $262\pm 7\text{Ma}$ (mid to late Permian), while the most altered dyke yielded $255\pm 17\text{Ma}$ with MSWD= 1.7 (Middle Permian to Middle Triassic; Fig. 9). Raw U-Pb data of titanite is presented in Table 3.

DISCUSSION

Petrographic classification and alteration

The similarities between all LGL dykes in terms of color, texture and mineral composition, as well as comparable HFSE, REE and some major-element contents (Figs. 3; 4) suggest that they formed from the same magmatic source. On the other hand, heteromorphism (differences in phenocrysts, microphenocrysts and matrix crystal sizes) coupled with similar chemistry of immobile elements suggests that dykes cooled at different rates and represent discrete low-volume pulses. But in spite of being discrete pulses, similarity in emplacement characteristics (orientation and space-filling features) suggests these pulses are close in time under the same tectonic regime. As secondary or alteration minerals are abundant and completely replace most phenocrysts and part of groundmass crystals, it is difficult to distinguish primary crystal features and evaluate processes of fractional crystallization and magma mixing. Nevertheless, as LGL dykes are similar to Aiguablava's spessartites, the observed fully chloritized phenocrysts probably correspond to clinopyroxene with minor amphibole and olivine, as Aiguablava's. This would explain the moderate MgO, Cr, and Ni concentrations, which are common in mantle-derived rocks. The occurrence of chloritized mafic phenocrysts of comparable sizes and shapes in dykes with different cooling rates (Fig. 2A-F), suggests that the phenocrysts did not crystallize during the late stage cooling but may have formed during either previous periods of stagnation or by mixing with another magma carrying these phenocrysts.

The principal criteria of lamprophyre classification is based on the relative abundance of primary mica and amphibole phenocrysts (Le Maitre *et al.*, 2002), which appear chloritized in LGL dykes, and of plagioclase and K-feldspar, which are strongly modified by the alteration. Thus, alteration obliterates the primary composition and blurs the mineralogical classification. Nevertheless, the predominance of amphibole in the matrix, the predominance of primary plagioclase and the calc-alkaline geochemical affinity point towards a classification as spessartites.

TABLE 2. Whole-rock Sr and Nd isotopic data of LGL dykes. Initial $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ and ϵNd were calculated at 262Ma using $\lambda^{87}\text{Rb}=1.42\text{E}^{-11}\text{ y}^{-1}$ and $\lambda^{147}\text{Sm}=6.54\text{E}^{-12}\text{ y}^{-1}$, $^{147}\text{Sm}/^{144}\text{Nd}_{\text{CHUR}}=0.1967$, and $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}_{\text{CHUR}}=0.512638$, respectively

	Dyke 1	Dyke 2	Dyke 3	Dyke 4	Dyke 5
Rb	68	51	29	9	47
Sr	391	295	360	296	349
$^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$	0.711277 ± 5	0.710588 ± 3	0.710924 ± 4	0.711628 ± 3	0.710086 ± 5
$^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}_i$	0.709242	0.708565	0.709982	0.711272	0.708510
Sm	8.58	8.32	8.9	8.22	8.09
Nd	41.7	43.7	43.4	40.7	39.3
$^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$	0.512238 ± 1	0.512249 ± 1	0.51224 ± 1	0.512232 ± 1	0.512246 ± 2
ϵNd_i	-5.18	-4.63	-5.14	-5.23	-5.04

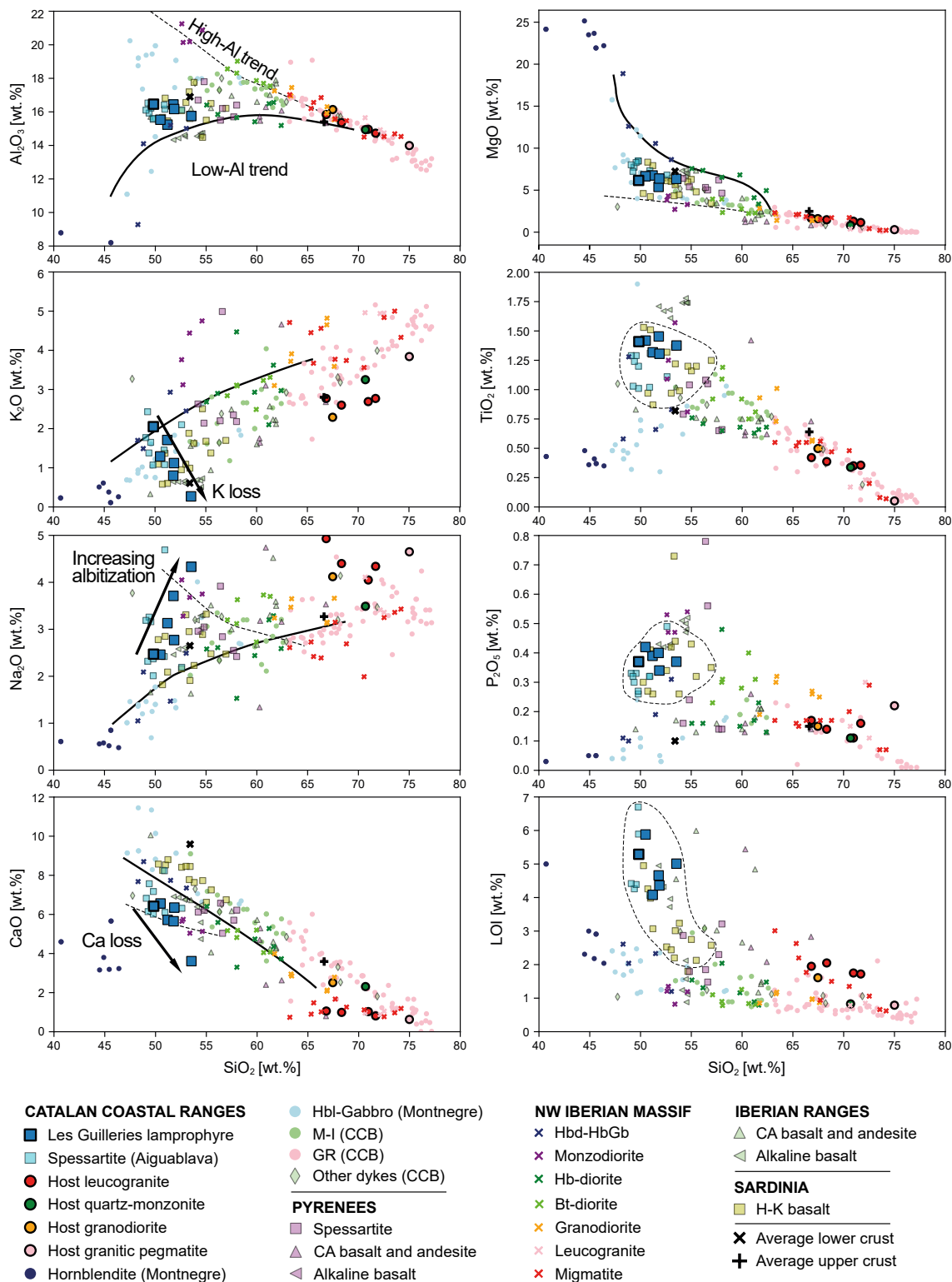


FIGURE 7. Harker variation diagrams showing LGL dykes major element trends with respect to host granitoids and rocks from the Catalan Coastal Batholith (Enrique, 1990). Comparison with appinite suits of the Sanabria complex in NW Iberia (Castro *et al.*, 2003) is provided. Lines show the main trends defined by Castro *et al.* (2003): a high-Al trend (dashed line) and a low-Al trend (continuous line). The high-Al trend links monzodiorites and Bt-diorites with tonalites, granodiorites and migmatites. The low-Al trend links Hb-gabbros and Hb-diorites. The two trends converge at silica contents of 63wt% for most elements. LGL dykes, Aiguablava spessartites and high-K basalts from Sardinia plot between these two trends, with commonly higher K₂O, TiO₂, P₂O₅ and LOI at the same silica content. Data sources as in Figure 3. M-I: mafic and intermediate igneous rocks. GR: syn to post collisional Variscan granitoids. Hbd-Gabbro: Hornblendite and hornblende gabbros.

TABLE 3. Titanite U-Pb data of measured ratios corrected for common Pb

Sample	$^{207}\text{Pb}/^{235}\text{U}$	2σ	$^{206}\text{Pb}/^{238}\text{U}$	2σ	rho	$^{238}\text{U}/^{206}\text{Pb}$	2σ	$^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$	2σ	rho	$^{208}\text{Pb}/^{232}\text{Th}$	2σ
GI7-Ttn1	2.35	0.13	0.0590	0.0018	0.73	16.95	0.53	0.2924	0.0113	0.50	0.0272	0.0014
GI7-Ttn2	6.43	0.15	0.0907	0.0020	0.61	11.03	0.24	0.5113	0.0116	0.56	0.1490	0.0082
GI7-Ttn3	2.91	0.35	0.0641	0.0033	0.14	15.60	0.79	0.3260	0.0405	0.32	0.0352	0.0038
GI7-Ttn4	5.57	0.38	0.0880	0.0036	0.55	11.36	0.46	0.4670	0.0286	0.48	0.0628	0.0092
GI7-Ttn5	9.39	0.80	0.1225	0.0069	0.71	8.16	0.46	0.5380	0.0309	0.34	0.1530	0.0911
GI7-Ttn6	13.48	0.40	0.1502	0.0036	0.84	6.66	0.16	0.6503	0.0153	0.47	0.2130	0.0118
GI7-Ttn7	10.87	0.96	0.1313	0.0095	0.86	7.62	0.55	0.5980	0.0295	0.41	0.4100	0.2801
GI7-Ttn8	7.90	1.41	0.1040	0.0102	0.90	9.62	0.94	0.5110	0.0461	0.52	0.1270	0.0401
GI7-Ttn9	11.72	0.75	0.1387	0.0103	0.82	7.21	0.53	0.6050	0.0278	0.28	0.0630	0.0121
GI7-Ttn10	13.20	1.13	0.1493	0.0096	0.95	6.70	0.43	0.6400	0.0263	0.60	0.2040	0.0611
GI7-Ttn11	13.50	1.33	0.1530	0.0114	0.94	6.54	0.49	0.6580	0.0239	0.53	0.3300	0.1202
GI7-Ttn12	13.98	0.69	0.1599	0.0052	0.18	6.25	0.20	0.6240	0.0307	0.40	0.0920	0.0102
GI7-Ttn13	18.00	1.54	0.1930	0.0126	0.96	5.18	0.34	0.6770	0.0217	0.61	0.1830	0.0213
GI7-Ttn14	8.63	0.97	0.1136	0.0083	0.22	8.80	0.64	0.5560	0.0808	0.38	0.1500	0.1600
GI7-Ttn15	24.75	0.53	0.2479	0.0056	0.58	4.03	0.09	0.7254	0.0160	0.50	0.2410	0.0129
GI7-Ttn16	24.40	1.20	0.2413	0.0110	0.92	4.14	0.19	0.7320	0.0183	0.50	0.3510	0.0973
GI7-Ttn17	23.79	0.85	0.2406	0.0075	0.23	4.16	0.13	0.7150	0.0262	0.52	0.2700	0.0553
GI7-Ttn18	12.40	1.82	0.1510	0.0133	0.56	6.62	0.59	0.5950	0.0700	0.32	0.2730	0.0932
GI7-Ttn19	26.50	2.36	0.2610	0.0187	0.94	3.83	0.28	0.7290	0.0325	0.25	0.2380	0.0472
GI7-Ttn20	34.30	1.38	0.3340	0.0155	0.91	2.99	0.14	0.7500	0.0192	0.44	0.6300	0.1804
GI7-Ttn21	35.70	1.94	0.3410	0.0156	0.95	2.93	0.13	0.7510	0.0180	0.43	0.2900	0.0306
GI7-Ttn22	32.50	4.15	0.3150	0.0326	0.99	3.17	0.33	0.7450	0.0266	0.63	0.1200	0.0113
GI7-Ttn23	35.20	1.57	0.3350	0.0129	0.94	2.99	0.11	0.7630	0.0188	0.32	0.3150	0.0258
GI7-Ttn24	38.20	1.77	0.3600	0.0157	0.98	2.78	0.12	0.7652	0.0169	0.55	0.3950	0.0575
GI7-Ttn25	36.00	8.83	0.3240	0.0653	1.00	3.09	0.62	0.7420	0.0265	0.36	0.2590	0.0453
GI7-Ttn26	41.20	3.01	0.3790	0.0252	0.98	2.64	0.18	0.7860	0.0198	0.32	0.5000	1.0000
GI7-Ttn27	45.59	1.03	0.4266	0.0097	0.90	2.34	0.05	0.7773	0.0163	0.36	0.5990	0.0398
GI7-Ttn28	45.70	1.59	0.4260	0.0147	0.94	2.35	0.08	0.7776	0.0172	0.40	0.1629	0.0054
GI7-Ttn29	45.50	1.67	0.4260	0.0147	0.95	2.35	0.08	0.7810	0.0174	0.32	0.2319	0.0085
GI7-Ttn30	43.30	7.55	0.4040	0.0635	1.00	2.48	0.39	0.7740	0.0253	0.59	0.7300	0.3703
GI7-Ttn31	47.20	2.58	0.4360	0.0227	0.95	2.29	0.12	0.7828	0.0178	0.60	0.2014	0.0099
GI7-Ttn32	47.60	2.68	0.4430	0.0219	0.95	2.26	0.11	0.7770	0.0203	0.43	0.4130	0.0645
GI7-Ttn33	52.90	5.50	0.4820	0.0509	0.99	2.07	0.22	0.8019	0.0186	0.18	0.7000	0.2204
GI7-Ttn34	54.10	2.10	0.5020	0.0189	0.88	1.99	0.07	0.7810	0.0185	0.28	0.6950	0.0871
GI7-Ttn35	53.40	8.17	0.4920	0.0677	0.99	2.03	0.28	0.7900	0.0240	0.61	0.7700	0.4902
GI7-Ttn36	64.10	4.11	0.5740	0.0407	0.93	1.74	0.12	0.8120	0.0265	0.39	0.7400	0.2804
GI7-Ttn37	70.20	2.13	0.6300	0.0188	0.95	1.59	0.05	0.8128	0.0172	0.31	0.5780	0.0397
GI7-Ttn38	71.10	3.78	0.6280	0.0316	0.97	1.59	0.08	0.8179	0.0186	0.57	0.5900	0.3402
GI7-Ttn39	89.80	2.69	0.8090	0.0228	0.96	1.24	0.03	0.8087	0.0170	0.30	1.3500	0.1820
GI7-Ttn40	94.80	4.61	0.8380	0.0452	0.96	1.19	0.06	0.8120	0.0196	0.48	1.4000	1.3003

The replacement of primary magmatic phases by secondary minerals typical of greenschist-facies metamorphism (calcite, chlorite and epidote) is a ubiquitous feature in many lamprophyres (Rock, 1991). This is sometimes understood as autometasomatic processes upon solidification of melts with high volatile content (Rock, 1991). In LGL dykes the calcite-chlorite-epidote paragenesis occurs together with albite and hematite (Fig. 3H). Moreover, there is a systematic variation in Na₂O, SiO₂, K₂O, CaO, F, Ba, Rb, Cs, Pb, Sr and Zn (Fig. 5) with the abundance of albite, chlorite, hematite, titanite, and their replacement textures (Fig. 2). Similar precipitation of minute hematite crystals and albitization of plagioclases have been observed in late-Variscan granitoids of the extended Montseny-Guilleries Massif (Fàbrega *et al.*, 2019), Paleozoic rocks of the Variscan Morvan Massif in France (Parcerisa *et al.*, 2010) and host granitoids from this study. Therefore, one or more post-magmatic processes of alteration must have affected LGL dykes additionally to common autometasomatic processes. The anomalously low concentration of K₂O and K₂O/Na₂O ratios in LGL dykes with respect to lamprophyres from other massifs (Fig. 3C), seem to occur also in Aiguablava spessartites, according to the published geochemical data (Enrique, 2009; Ubide *et al.*, 2010), which suggests albitization was a common process across the CCR in contrast to other Variscan domains. Recent studies have suggested that an albitization event developed under low-temperature subsurface conditions previous to erosion that led to the Lower Triassic paleosurface (Fàbrega *et al.*, 2019; Parcerisa *et al.*, 2010). Additionally, the elements that may have been remobilized by the albitization (Ba, F, Pb, Zn) in Les Guilleries are concentrated in epigenetic vein mineralizations nearby (Osor fluorite-barite-sphalerite-galena veins). As this mineral deposit is related to hydrothermal fluid circulation, the same hydrothermal event could have been responsible for the alteration of LGL dykes, although it is still not clear if there is a direct relationship between the lamprophyres and fluorite deposits.

Age of emplacement

From field observations, LGL dykes are younger than all late-Variscan syn-post collisional plutons of Les Guilleries and nearby massifs with ages ranging from 323.6±2.8Ma to 284±3Ma (Martínez *et al.*, 2008; Solé *et al.*, 2002). The new U-Pb titanite MSDW age of 262±7Ma is in agreement with the crosscutting relationships, although this age may be skewed towards younger ages due to the influence of secondary titanite related with post-magmatic alteration. Additionally, late crystallization and post magmatic events are known to yield up to 19Myr younger U-Pb ages in titanite than early crystallizing zircons in Variscan granites (Broska and Petrák, 2013). This suggests that LGL dyke emplacement may be slightly older than matrix titanite

crystallization at 262±7Ma, but younger than the most felsic magmatism. An approximate E-W orientation of LGL dykes with gentle N-dipping and emplacement along fractures and diaclases are similar to what is observed in Aiguablava's spessartites intruded in ca. 288Ma pluton, and considering the geochemical similarities, both dyke swarms may have resulted from related events.

Relation with appinite suites of the Catalan Coastal Batholith

The REE parallel profiles of LGL dykes and their host rocks (Fig. 4B) suggest they have a common source and are related by fractionation processes (*e.g.* Fowler and Henney, 1996), which is common of appinite suites (Murphy, 2013). Indeed, the Catalonian Coastal Batholith plutonic and hypabyssal association forms a very complete post-collisional calc-alkaline igneous suite (Enrique, 1990; Martínez *et al.*, 2008; Figure 7). The suite's ultrabasic-basic to intermediate rocks, with olivine hornblendites, hornblende melanogabbros-gabbros and leucogabbros, are associated with late-Variscan calc-alkaline granites in the Susqueda complex and Montnegre Massif, that have been interpreted as appinite suites (Butjosa *et al.*, 2013; Galán *et al.*, 2017). The most acidic rocks of the suite are hornblende-biotite quartz diorites and monzodiorites. Although the evolutionary trend of this association is calc-alkaline, the hornblendites and the leucogabbros are thought to be derived from basic magmas enriched in K, whereas quartz diorites are considered hybrid rocks, generated by mixing of basic and felsic magmas (Butjosa *et al.*, 2013). The mineralogical and geochemical characteristics of LGL dykes match those of the hypothesized basic parental magmas of the appinite suite, an amphibole-phlogopite-bearing melt with high potassium and high fluid content (Fig. 7). Therefore, the LGL dykes probably represent the least modified magmas from the SCLM beneath the CCR during Variscan times to reach crustal levels, along lithospheric-scale deep transcurrent faults, and could represent one of the deepest sources of heat and material of the Variscan-post-collisional magmatism. The lamprophyre magmas could have transferred fluids as well as LILE (K, Ba, Rb, Cs, Pb, Th), HFSE (Ti, P, Zr, Nb) and REE from the metasomatized lithospheric mantle to the crust, and thus probably played a significant role in crustal melting and formation of mineral resources.

The relationship between appinites and calc-alkaline lamprophyres has long been recognized (Rock, 1991). Examples of hornblendites related to granitoids and/or migmatites exist in the Iberian Massif, Pyrenees and other Variscan terranes in the context of large scale dextral strike-slip tectonics produced by the interaction between Laurasia and Gondwana, and coeval lamprophyre dykes are present in all this places (Bea *et al.*, 1999; Castro *et al.*, 2003; Roberts *et al.*, 2000; Scarrow *et al.*, 2009).

Source characteristics and melting conditions

The Th/Yb vs. Nb/Yb ratios (Fig. 10A) are usually interpreted to reflect source composition and/or crustal assimilation (Pearce *et al.*, 2008), where subduction processes and crustal contamination usually result in an enrichment of Th with respect to Nb. The significantly high Th/Yb ratio for the most basic LGL sample, with 49.82% SiO₂, is unlikely to be explained only by crustal contamination, and probably reflects the extent of metasomatism during Variscan and/or older subduction events in the SCLM source. This is also consistent with Sr-Nd isotopic variations reflecting an enriched lithospheric mantle source with high ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr_i and low

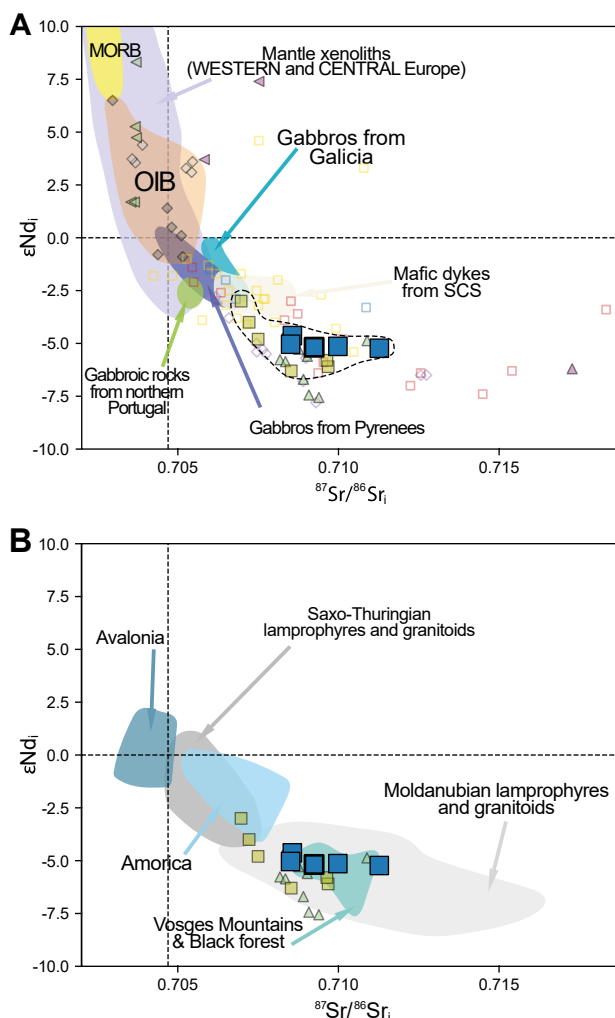


FIGURE 8. Initial Sr–Nd isotopic compositions of LGL dykes at 262Ma. Isotopic compositions of post-collisional A) Variscan mafic rocks and previously defined B) Variscan SCLM domains are shown for comparison. Dashed lines represent Bulk Earth isotopic ratios from DePaolo (1980). Data sources as in Figure 3 except for Avalonia and Amorica Massifs that are from Dijkstra and Hatch (2018) and references therein. Saxo-thuringian and Moldanubian domains in B are from Soder (2017). Note that LGL dykes cluster with high-K basalts from Sardinia and Permian andesites from the Iberian Ranges, suggesting a common SCLM source.

ϵNd_i (Fig. 8), although mixing with small proportions of crustal magmas or fluids cannot be discarded, as deduced by the presence of xenocrysts and hybridization textures. Ratios between Rb, Ba and Sr are commonly used to discriminate phlogopite vs. amphibole rich sources, which is not possible for LGL dykes as those elements have been remobilized by post-magmatic processes. However, the predominance of amphibole over phlogopite in most mafic lithologies is a common feature of appinite rocks from the CCR. Additionally, the ratios between LREE and HREE in LGL dykes could be explained by an amphibole lherzolite mantle source with a combination of spinel and garnet as aluminum phases. This is observed in the diagram of Figure 10B, C, where garnet-compatible Yb is compared with La, Sm and Gd-garnet incompatible elements (Rollinson, 1993). Additionally, the Sm/Yb vs. La/Sm diagram (Fig. 10C; Jung *et al.*, 2006) also shows that a spinel and garnet lherzolite around 2% degree of melting could explain the observed ratios.

Integrating the above results, major, trace- and rare-earth-element ratios suggest that the LGL magma source was probably an enriched SCLM with the composition of an amphibole-bearing spinel-garnet lherzolite that underwent low degrees of partial melting. Similar sources have been proposed for post-collisional spessartites across the Variscan Belt in the Bohemian Massif, Vosges and Black Forest (Soder, 2017). However, lamprophyre dyke swarms related to the inner parts of the orogenic belt show a wide variety of lamprophyre types with higher LILE, HSFE, REE enrichments (Fig. 3; 6), being the most extreme examples the lamproites and peralkaline minnetes from the Bohemian Massif and Black Forest, respectively, that formed from very low degree melting of enriched domains (Krmíček *et al.*, 2015; Soder, 2017), not observed in the CCR. Figure 11 shows there is a compositional continuum between high-K lamproites and low-K gabbros revealing different degrees of metasomatism in Variscan SCLM, variable melting conditions and complex differentiation stories. LGL dykes and high-K basaltic andesitic dykes from Sardinia represent moderately enriched SCLM in LILE, HFSE and REE closer to lower crustal values in most elements than most enriched species of the inner Variscan belt (Figs. 3; 6; 11). Although there is still few isotopic data to define precise lithospheric domains, the striking geochemical similarities between CCR and Sardinia's mafic dykes with respect to dykes from other Variscan domains strongly suggest they come from a similar and compositionally unique domain of the Variscan SCLM, different from other parts of the Variscan Belt of western Europe. However, it is still not clear whether these geochemical features are related to the nature and source of the subducted continental material and/or conditions of partial melting and the nature of residual phases.

REGIONAL CORRELATIONS

Post-collisional magmatism in NE Iberia happened several tens of million years after the main Variscan tectono-metamorphic event related to the Rheic suture in the Inner Variscan Belt, during Late Devonian to Early Carboniferous (Wilson *et al.*, 2004). Most calc-alkaline lamprophyre dykes in the Inner Variscan belt are older than LGL dykes, with ages that range from Early Carboniferous to Early Permian (Seifert, 2008; Soder, 2017). However, calc-alkaline lamprophyre dykes with younger Permian ages and geochemistry similar to the one of LGL dykes are also present in this area (e.g. Western Carpathians, 259.0±2.8Ma, spessartites, Spišiak *et al.*, 2019; Bohemian massif, kersantites and spessartites, Seifert, 2008). This suggests that these Mid to Late Permian calc-alkaline lamprophyres occurred in domains with similar characteristics with respect to the architecture of the Variscan Belt under a strike-slip regime previous to the extensional post-orogenic regime (Debon and Zimmermann, 1993).

The age obtained in this study is also similar to a Rb-Sr biotite age of 259±3Ma from a calc-alkaline basaltic andesite dyke from the Sarrabus batholith in Sardinia, where mafic dykes cross cut 290 to 270Ma metaluminous and peraluminous rhyolitic products. This age points to some mafic magmatism intruding after the felsic magmatism (Ronca *et al.*, 1999), similar to what is observed in the CCR. This age also indicates that the change from a calc-alkaline (orogenic) to an alkaline (anorogenic) signature in post-collisional magmatism, related to the transition from the first to the second cycle as defined by Cortesogno *et al.* (1998), did not occur before 262±7Ma in the CCR.

Such change from orogenic calc-alkaline to anorogenic alkaline magmatism is also present in lamprophyre dykes from the western Pyrenees (Debon and Zimmermann, 1993) and Sardinia (Bonin, 1987), as well as in volcanic rocks from Permian pull-apart basins of the Iberian Ranges and eastern Pyrenees, which occurred from Early Permian to Late Permian-Triassic (Arche and López-Gómez, 1996; Innocent *et al.*, 1994). In summary, the calc-alkaline signature of LGL dykes represent the latest stage in the evolution from Early Permian strike-slip tectonics (associated or not with a Paleotethys subduction environment, Pereira *et al.*, 2014; Perini *et al.*, 2004) to Late Permian extension associated with the Neotethys opening.

CONCLUSIONS

Les Guilleries lamprophyre dykes constitute a mostly vertical dyke swarm that intrudes late Carboniferous to early Permian granitoids and lower Paleozoic metasediments of the Catalan Coastal Ranges.

The predominance of mafic phenocrysts, porphyritic texture, high MgO and volatile content, together with crustal-like trace-element patterns indicate that LGL dykes correspond to calc-alkaline lamprophyres, probably spessartites. The parallel REE pattern of lamprophyres and host rocks indicates a common magmatic source.

The geochemical characteristics of LGL dykes (enrichments in LILE, HFSE and REE) is a feature shared with the calc-alkaline lamprophyres from the CCR

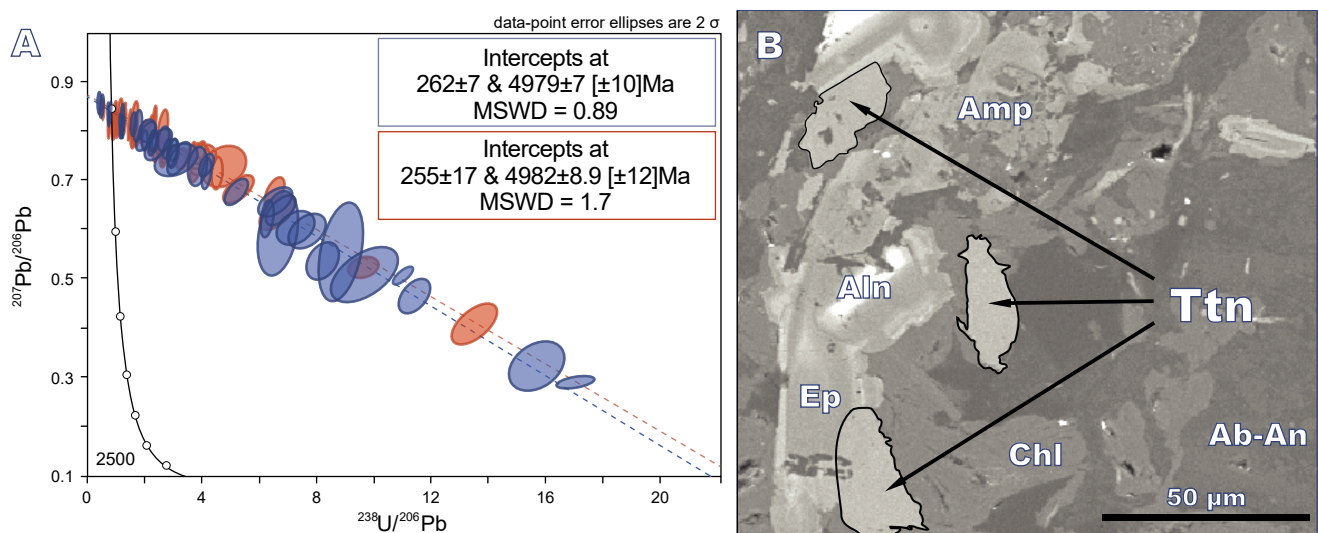


FIGURE 9. A) Titanite Tera-Wasserburg concordia diagram using measured $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ and $^{238}\text{U}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ ratios corrected for common Pb, with the data conversion performed by Isoplot 3.7. Titanite data from the two samples are plotted at 2σ and uncertainties on lower intercept ages are 95% confidence. B) BSE images showing examples of analyzed titanite crystals.

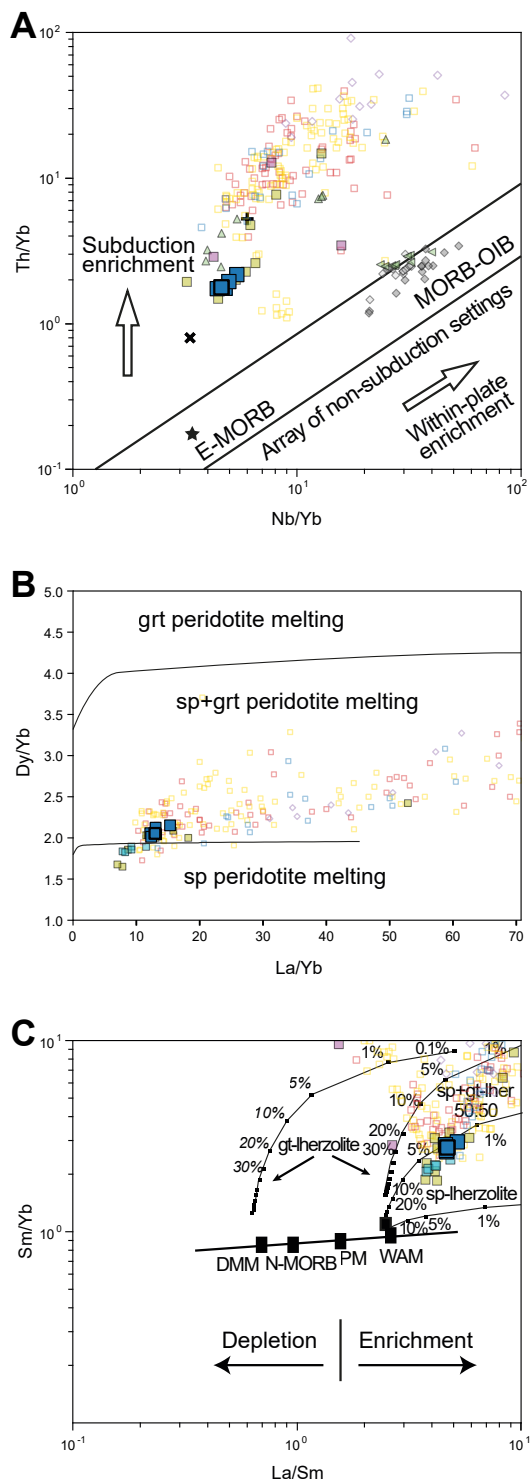


FIGURE 10. A) Nb/Yb vs. Th/Yb plot (after Pearce, 2008) suggesting LGL mantle source enrichment from subduction episodes. B) La/Yb vs. Dy/Yb plot suggesting LGL generation at shallow depth in spinel+garnet-peridotite stability field near the boundary of pure spinel-peridotite stability field (after Jung *et al.*, 2006). C) La/Sm vs. Sm/Yb plot showing partial melting curves for a spinel-Iherzolite and a garnet-Iherzolite (Aldanmaz *et al.* (2000) and references therein) mantle. REE ratios of LGL dykes fit the field around 2% degree of melting in a spinel+garnet Iherzolite at 50:50 proportion. DMM: Depleted Mantle. PM: Primitive Mantle. WAM: Western Anatolian Mantle. Data sources and symbols as in Figure 3.

(Aiguablava) and high K-basalts from Sardinia, as well as Permian calc-alkaline andesites from the eastern Pyrenees and Iberian Ranges.

High $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ and low $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ isotope ratios suggest an enriched subcontinental lithospheric mantle source similar to what is found in post-collisional K-rich mafic dykes from Sardinia, Permian calc-alkaline andesites from Iberian Ranges and other defined Variscan terranes like the Moldanubian domain.

The intrusion of LGL dykes occurred during Permian times, as reflected in the U-Pb ages of matrix titanite crystals that yield concordia ages of 262 ± 7 Ma. Mafic rocks from Sardinia have similar age and probably shared a similar SCLM.

The emplacement of LGL dykes was controlled by secondary faults of the main NW-SE strike-slip dextral system that emplaced the granitoids during the post-collisional evolution. Thermal relaxing and lithospheric thinning after the Variscan continental collision allowed the emplacement of mantle-derived magmas at upper crustal levels in small volume short-lived magmatic pulses.

Post-magmatic processes of chloritization and albitization affected the lamprophyres causing the systematic variations of Na_2O , SiO_2 , K_2O , CaO , F, Ba, Rb, Cs, Pb, Sr, Tl, and Zn. They are also shared with granitoid host rocks, so that albitization must be unrelated to magmatic processes and may have occurred during early Triassic times, by comparison with other albitized rocks of the Catalan Variscan domain.

The calc-alkaline signature of LGL dykes marks them as the latest Variscan magmatism event, which is related to the Early Permian strike-slip tectonics, before the Late Permian extension associated with the Neotethys opening and anorogenic alkaline magmatism.

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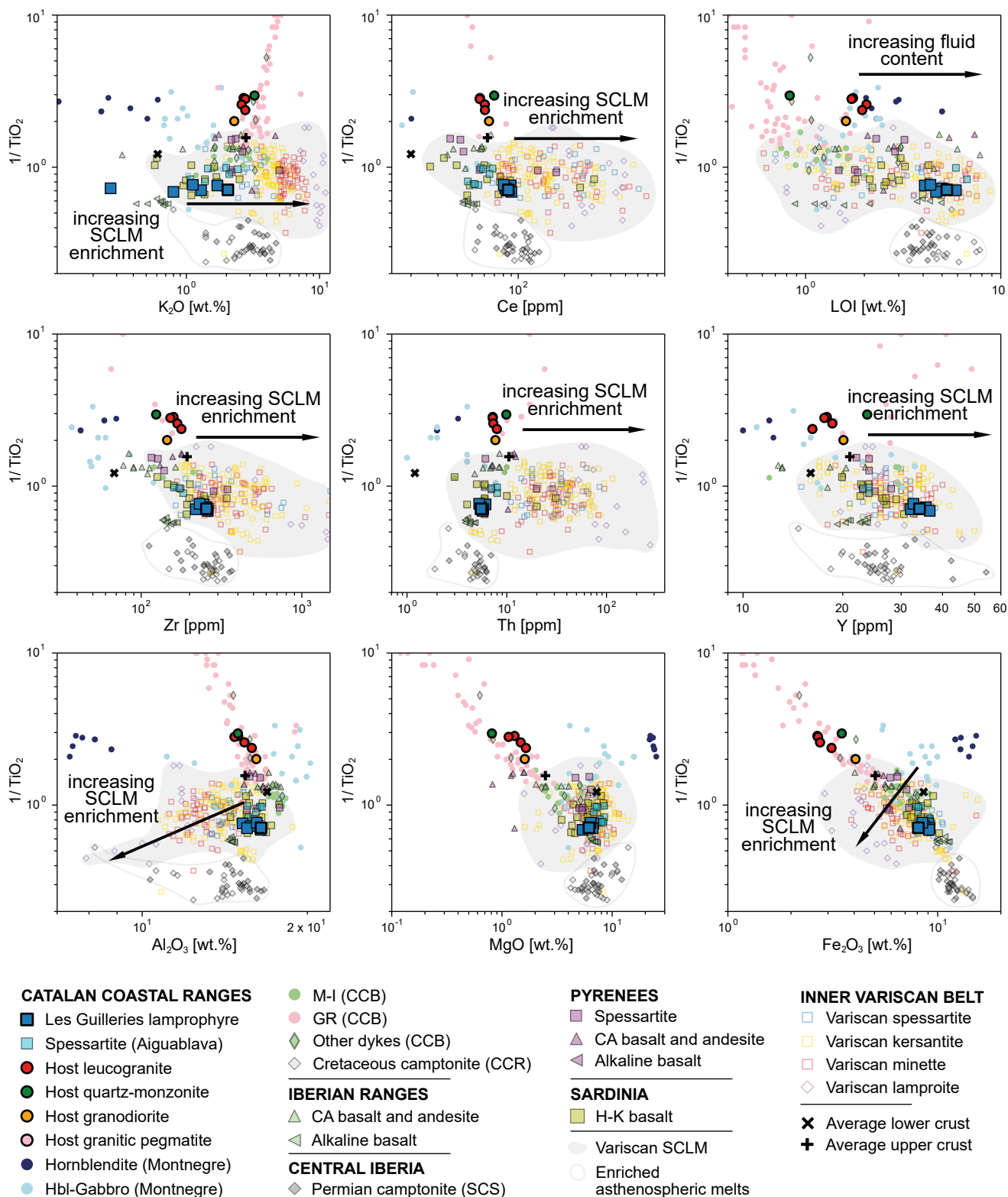


FIGURE 11. Plots of $1/TiO_2$ vs. various elements showing major compositional end-members of Variscan magmatism in the Catalan Coastal Ranges and adjacent Paleozoic massifs. Calc-alkaline lamprophyres and lamproites define heterogeneous SCML enrichment in different parts of Western Europe, while alkaline lamprophyres represent the influence of enriched asthenospheric OIB melts in the SCML. Note that LGL dykes are compositionally similar to Aiguablava spessartites and high-K basalts from Sardinia in most elements. Data sources as in Figure 3.

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