

Variable mantle and subduction components in the sources of Havre Trough backarc magmas

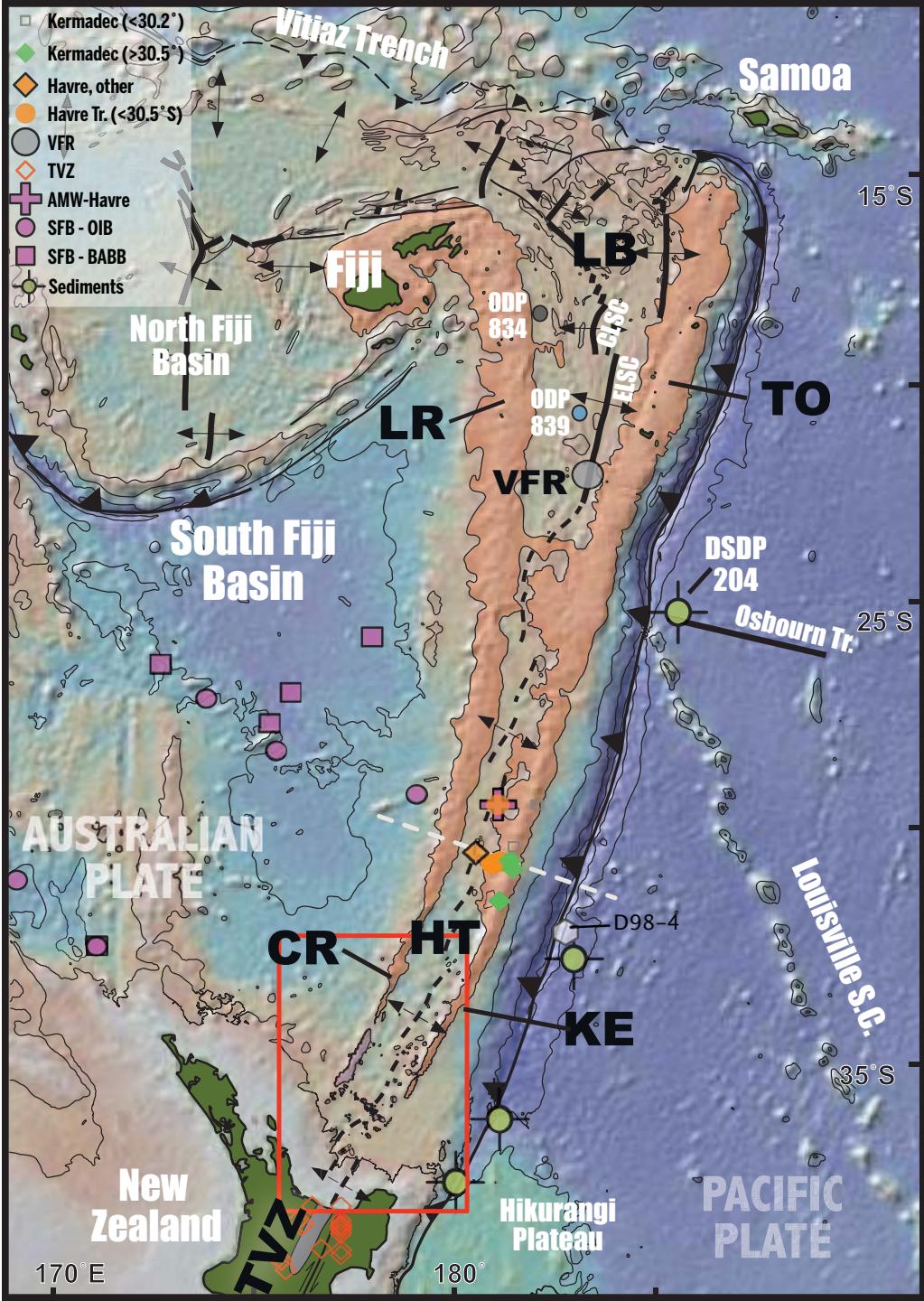
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Kermadec Arc & Havre Trough: Tectonics and Volcanism

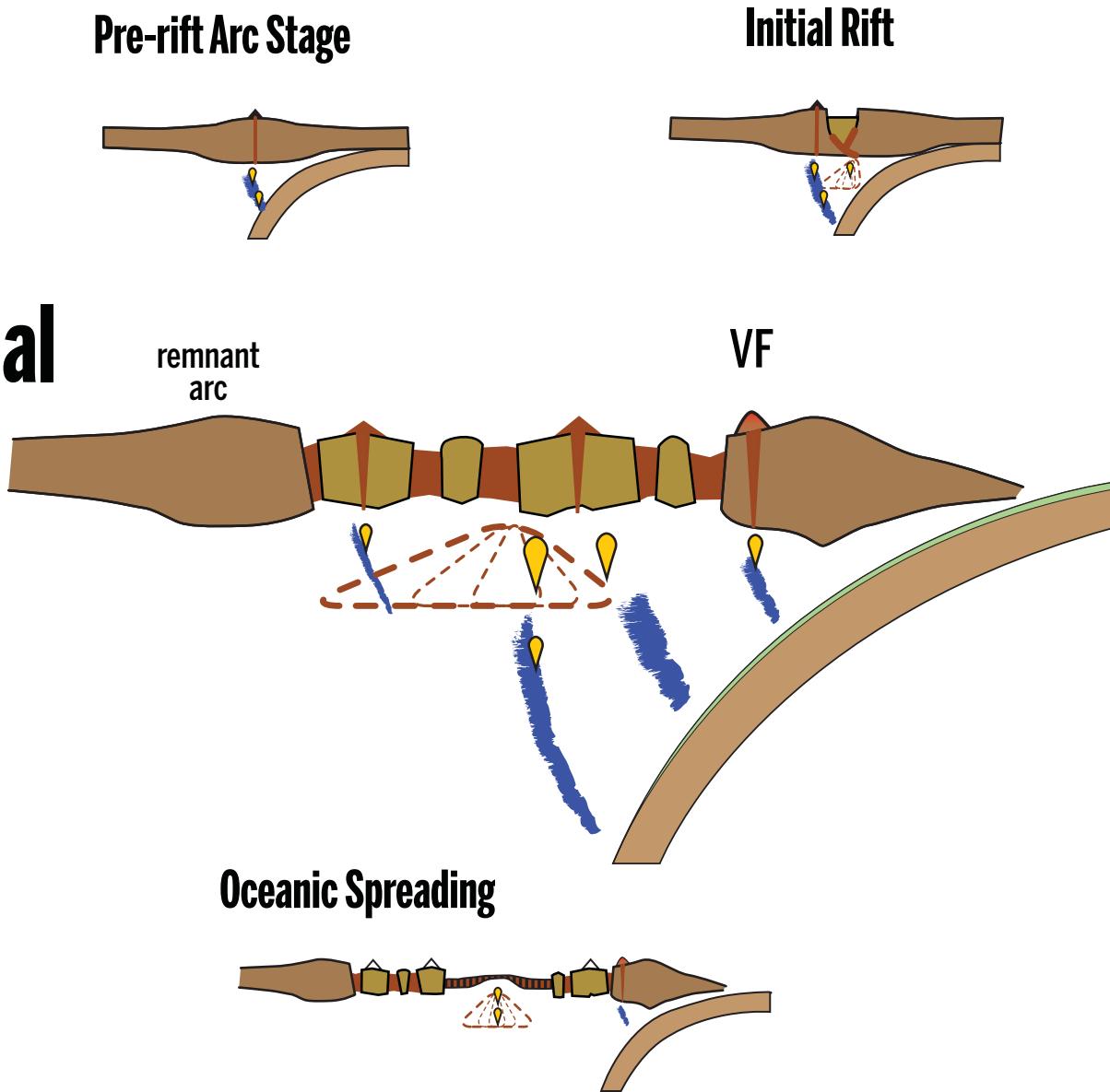
- Havre BAB transitional “rifting” stage
- Versus MOR-type BAB:
 - Lau Basin
 - South Fiji Basin
 - North Fiji Basin



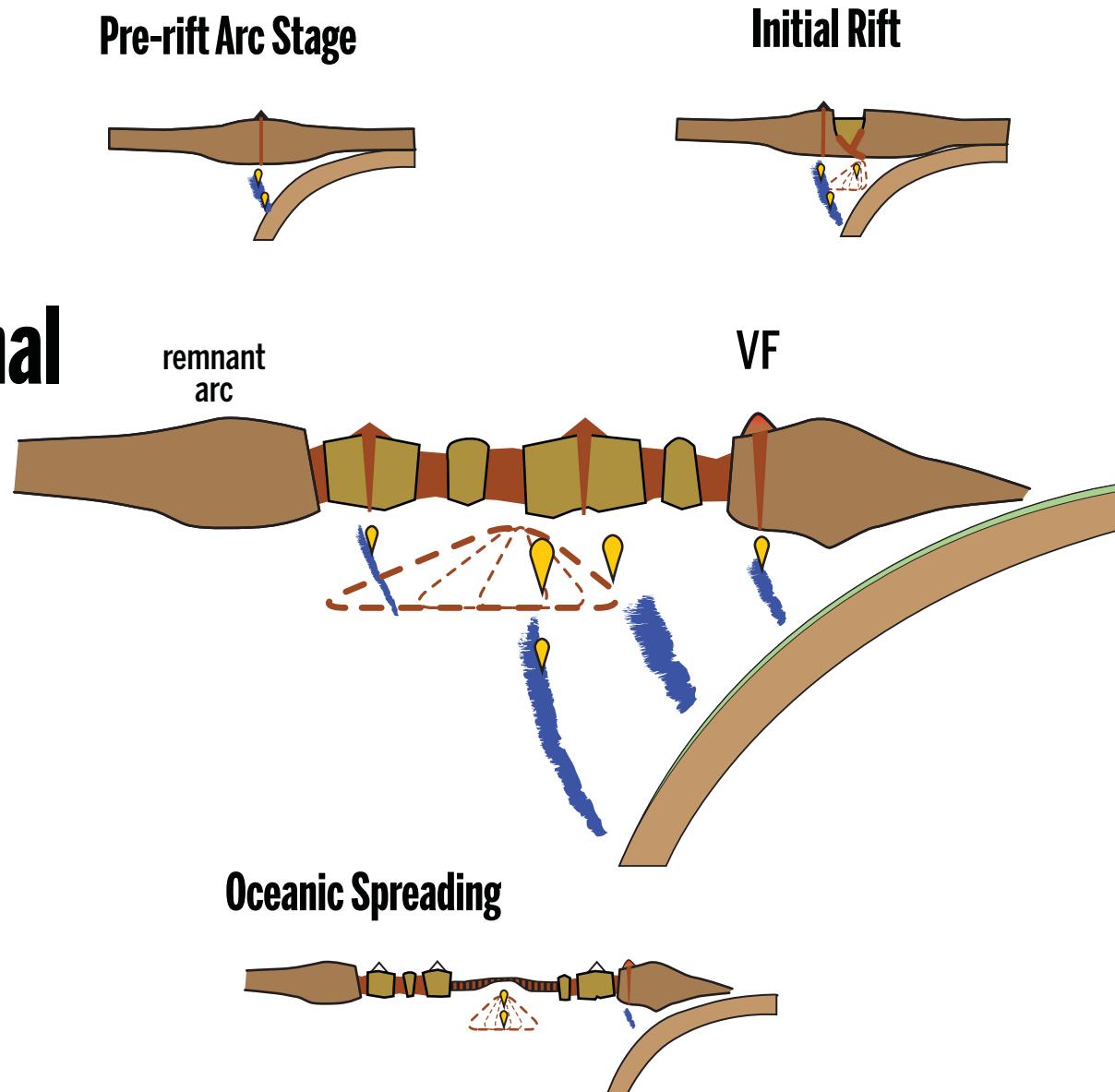
Transitional

Wysoczanski, Todd, et al., 2010
(JVGR) -
Havre Trough is a *transitional/backarc*,
characterized by **disorganized spreading**.

- Crustal accretion by diffuse intrusive volcanism
- Intersection of flux and decompression melting regimes
- Broad zone of melt production

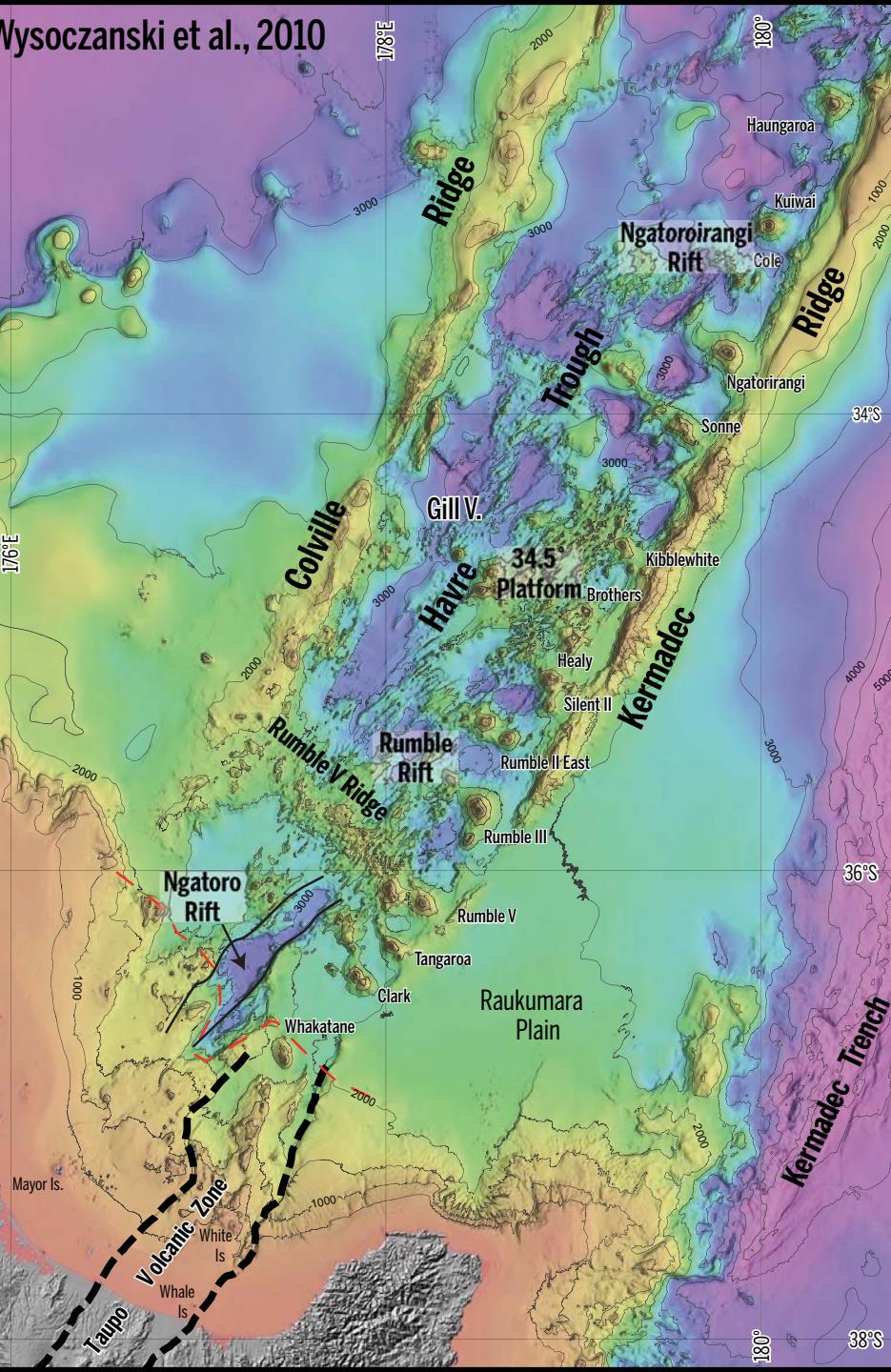


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Compared to volcanic front:

- Far greater melt productivity
 ~ 150 vs. $\sim 10 \text{ km}^3/\text{km} * \text{My}^{-1}$
- Overlie far more variable range of slab-surface conditions and fluxes
- Undifferentiated, un-homogenized by axial magma chambers
 - Better preservation of mantle- & slab-component signatures

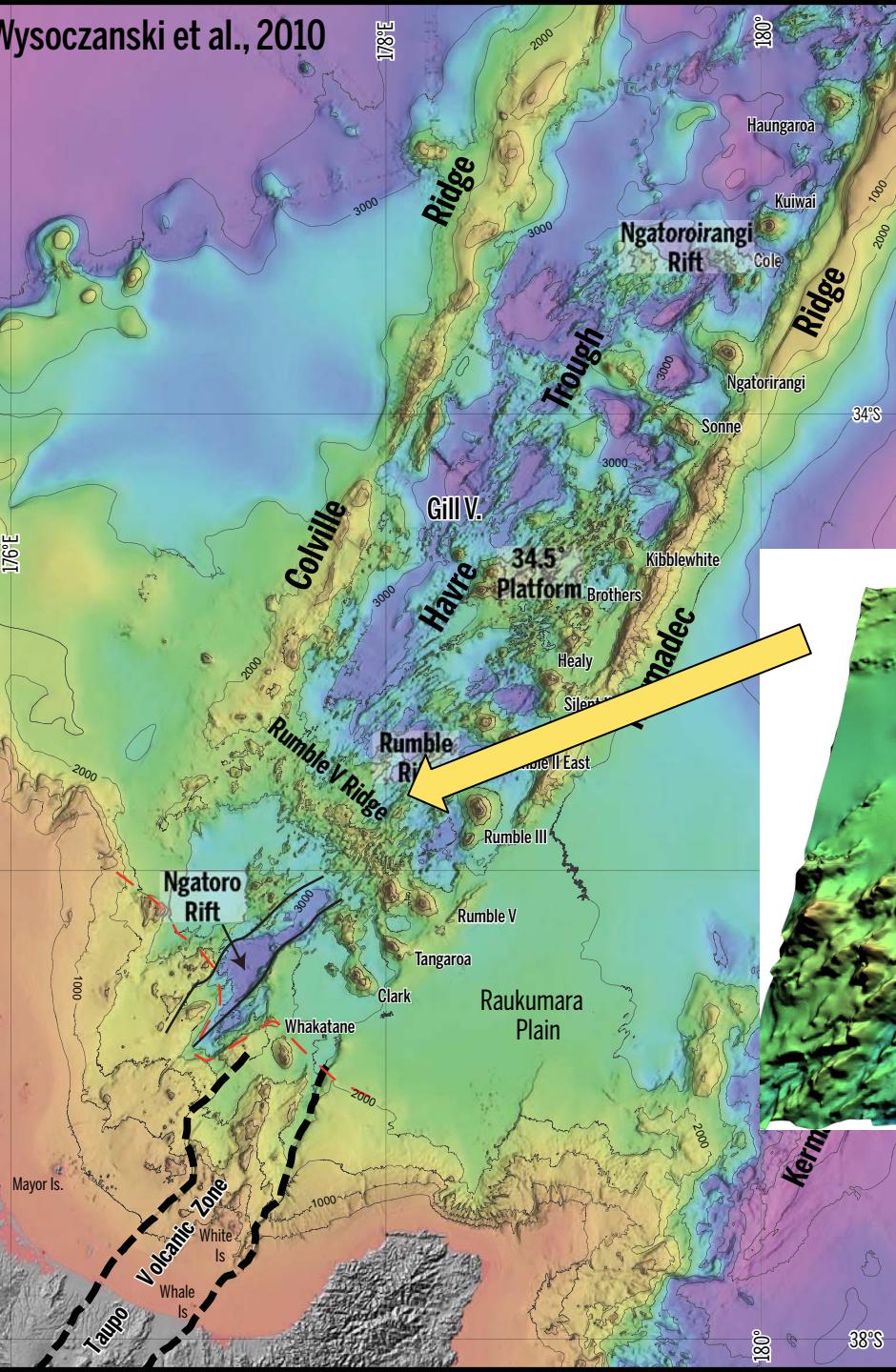


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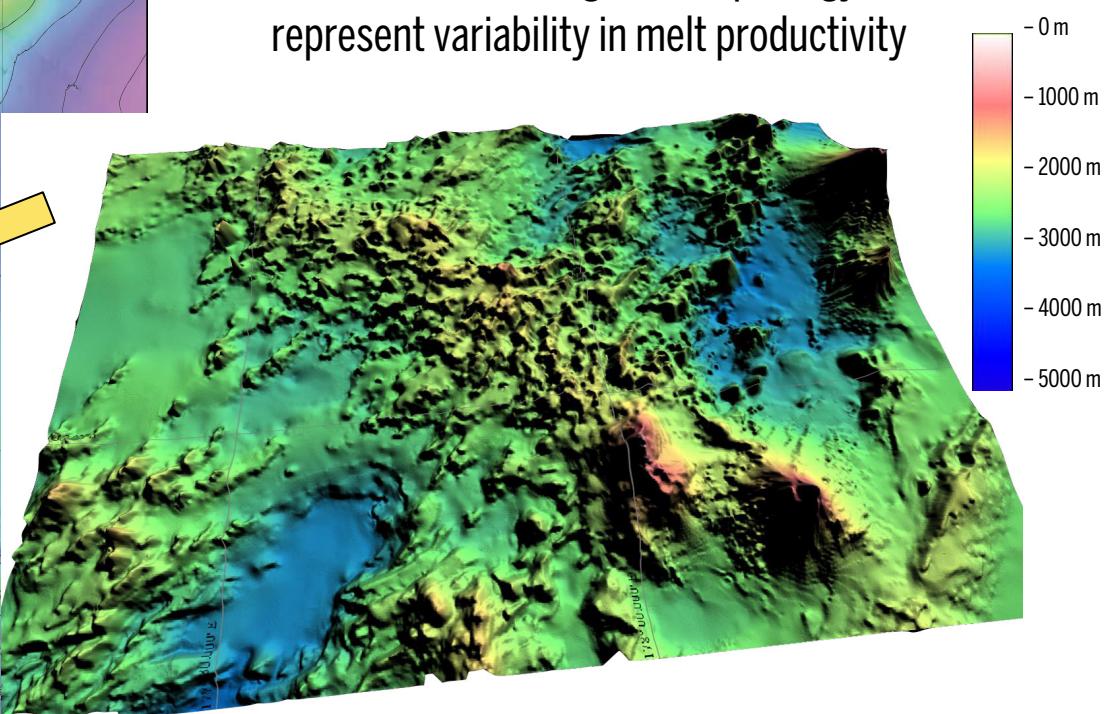
Basin Regime:

e.g. *Ngatoro Rift*; ~36°30'S
Ngatoroirangi Rift Graben; ~33°30'S

Includes sediment-poor basins on or near
 VF axis up to 4000mbsl



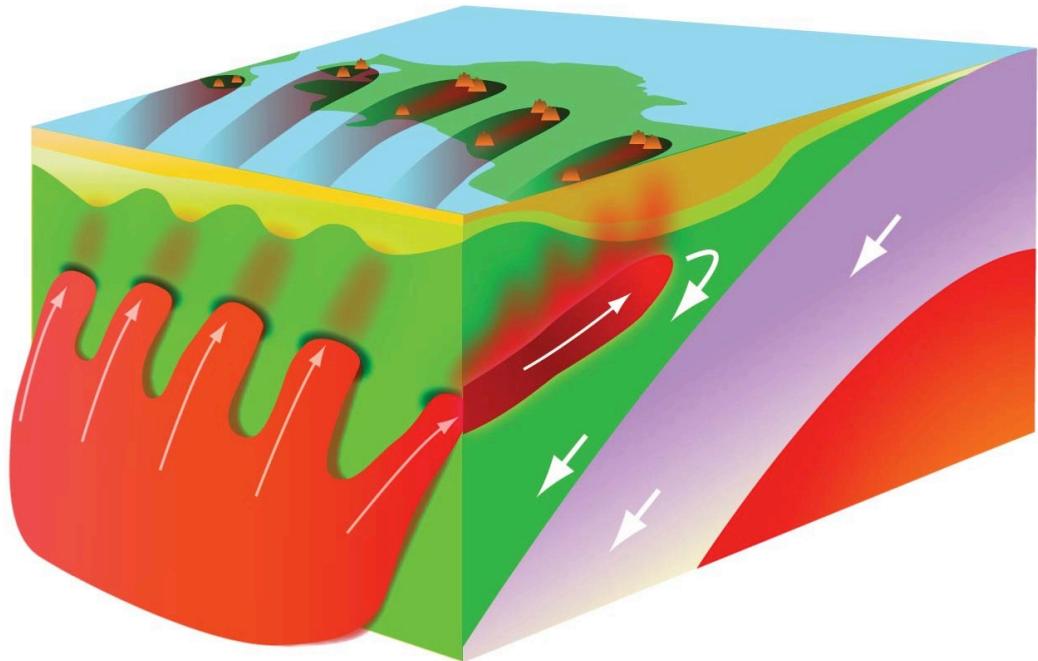
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Arc-Regime:
e.g. Rumble V Ridge Cross-chain; ~36°S
34.5°S Platform + Gill Volcano

Tamura et al., 2002

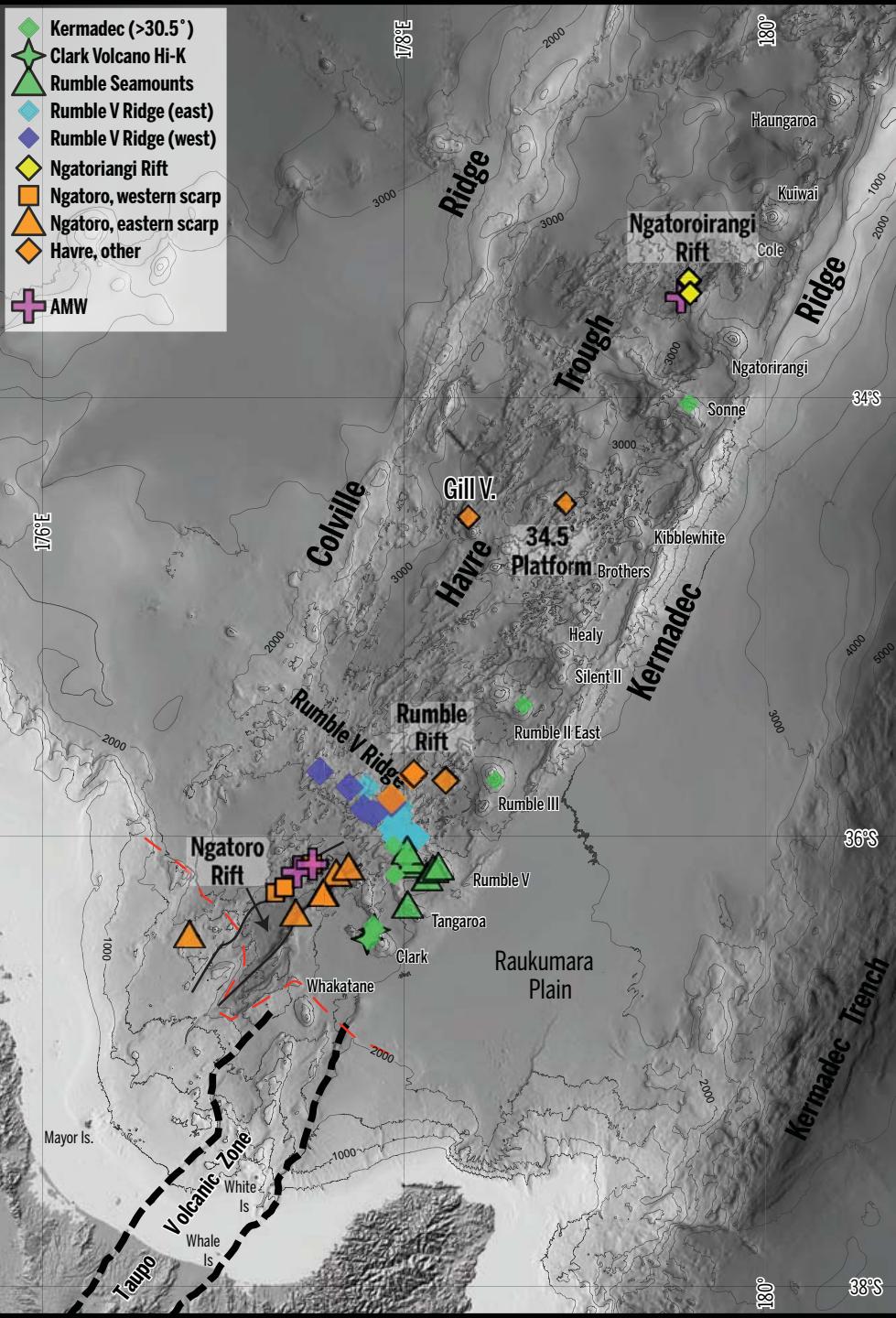
- NE Japan:
Arc-transverse volcanic clusters
(and inclined seismicity) result
from locally fertile (+/- “hot”)
zones of inclined convecting
mantle
- Locally higher melt productivity.



Arc & Backarc Lavas

- Kermadec and Havre:
 - Basalt to basaltic andesite (this study)
 - Primarily low-K tholeiite
- Magmatism is diffuse, contemporaneous
 - Broad along-arc sampling above variable slab depths
- **Green** \Rightarrow Volcanic Front (VF)
- **Blue** \Rightarrow Arc Regime (**distal/proximal**)
- **Orange (+yellow)** \Rightarrow Rift Regime
- **Pink** \Rightarrow most MORB-like

Todd et al., 2011

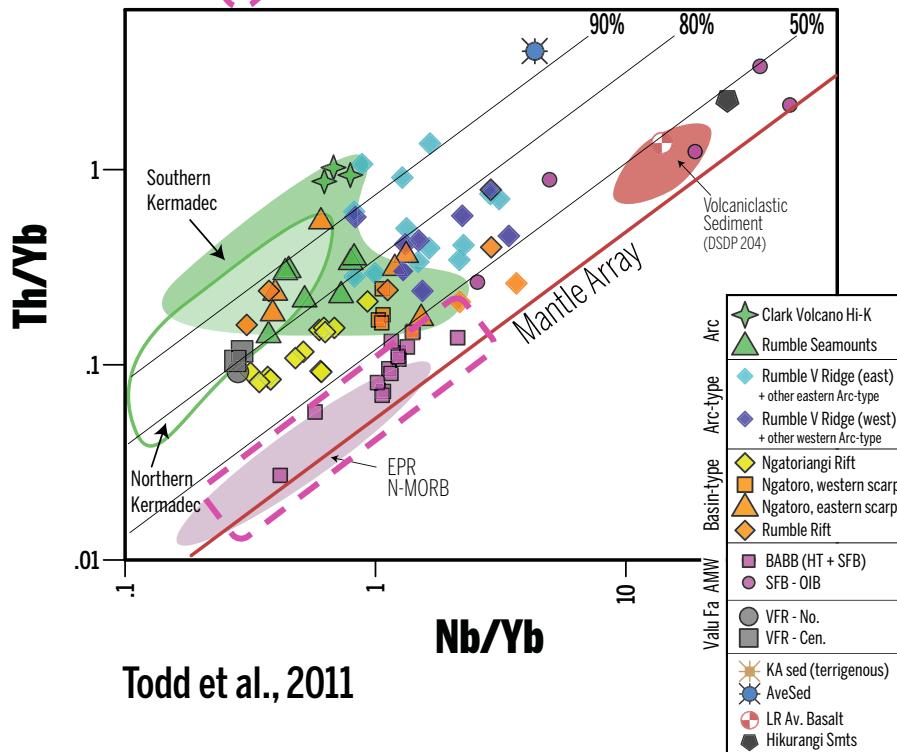
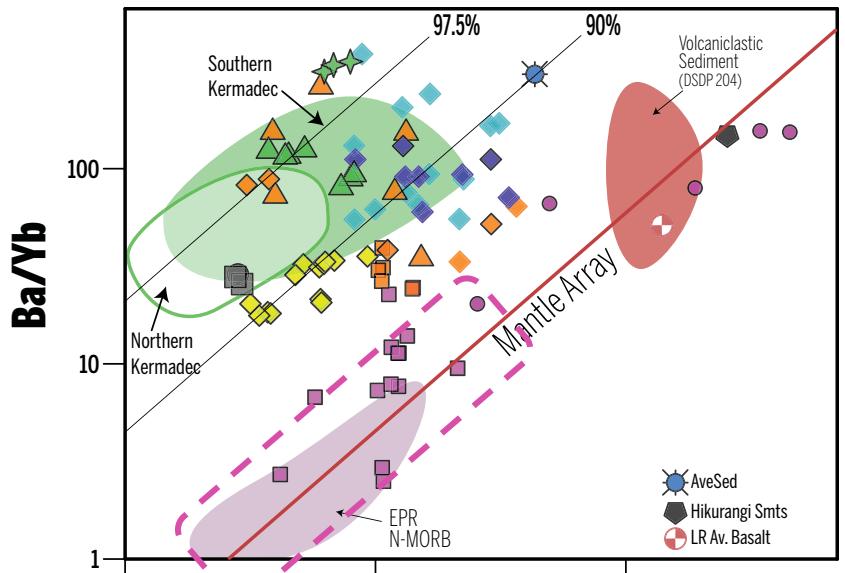


- **Pink** = Least-subduction modified BABB

Ambient Mantle Wedge – “AMW”

- On, or near, the global mantle array
- Variably enriched (Nb/Yb)
 - MORB-like (depleted) to OIB-like (enriched)
 - Mixture of depleted and enriched components?

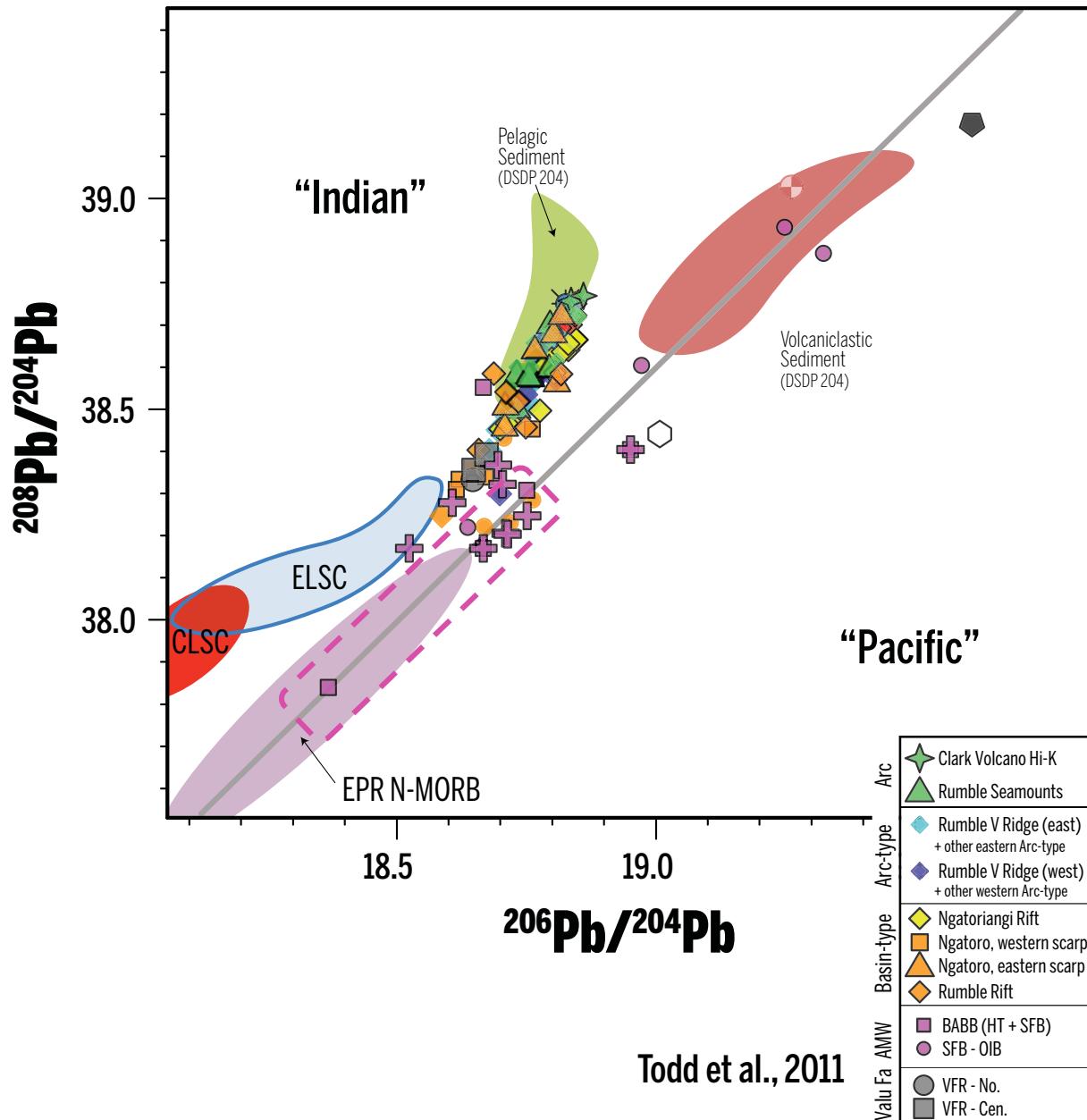
- Greatest Ba, Th added by subduction (>90%):
 - VF, and arc-proximal BABB (both Arc & Basin Regimes)
 - Even some distal “Arc”-regime samples have VF-like enrichment
 - Deep, or lateral migration of fluid flux?
- Transitional, mostly distal BABB:
 - “Basin” generally less Ba, similar Th to “Arc”
 - “Arc” generally higher Nb/Yb than “Basin”
 - Never as depleted as VF



Pb isotope systematics

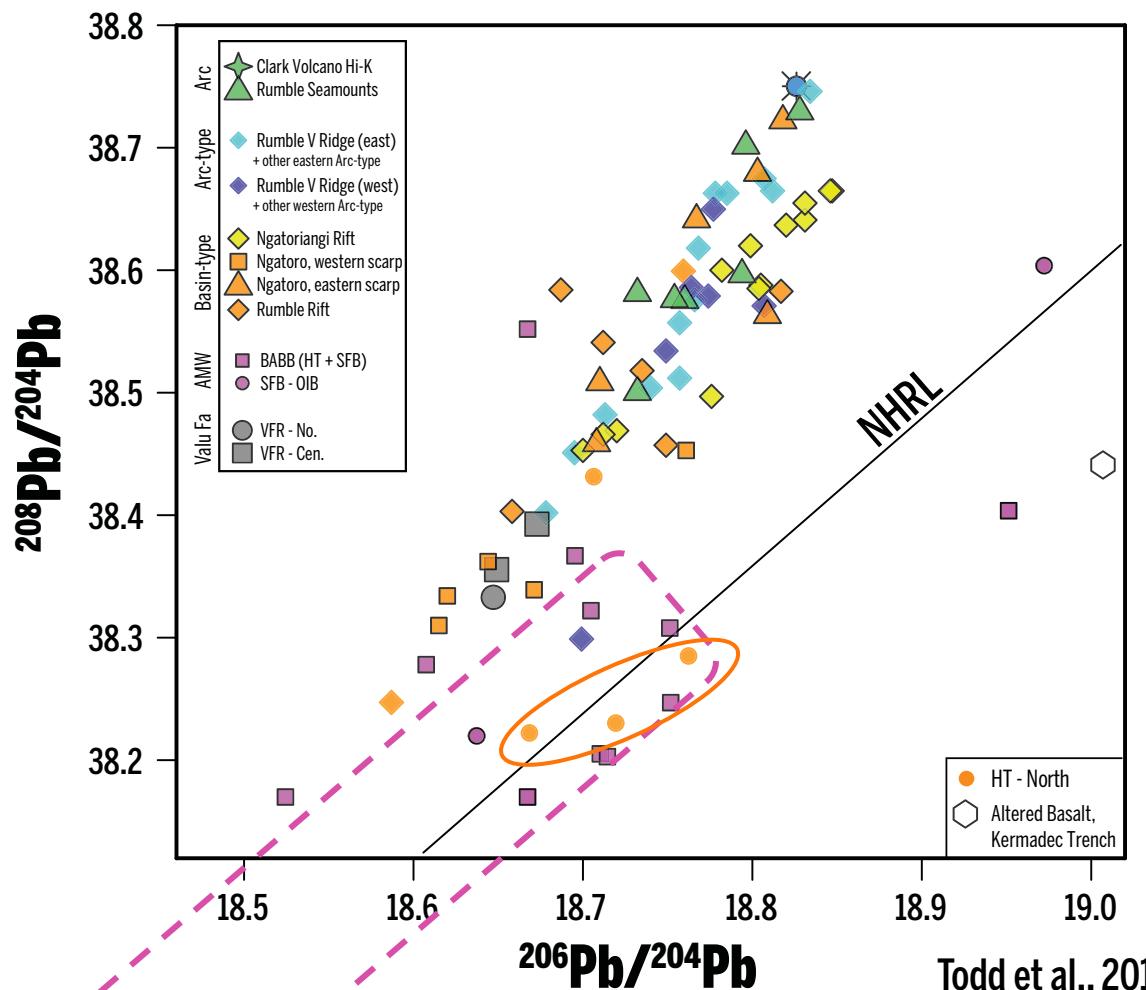
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- On, or near, the global mantle array
- Intermediate between depleted (EPR MORB) and enriched (~“C” or FOZO)
- Most Havre and Kermadec basalts define a mixing array to sediment
- Few “**Basin**” samples lie within AMW, all from northernmost Havre



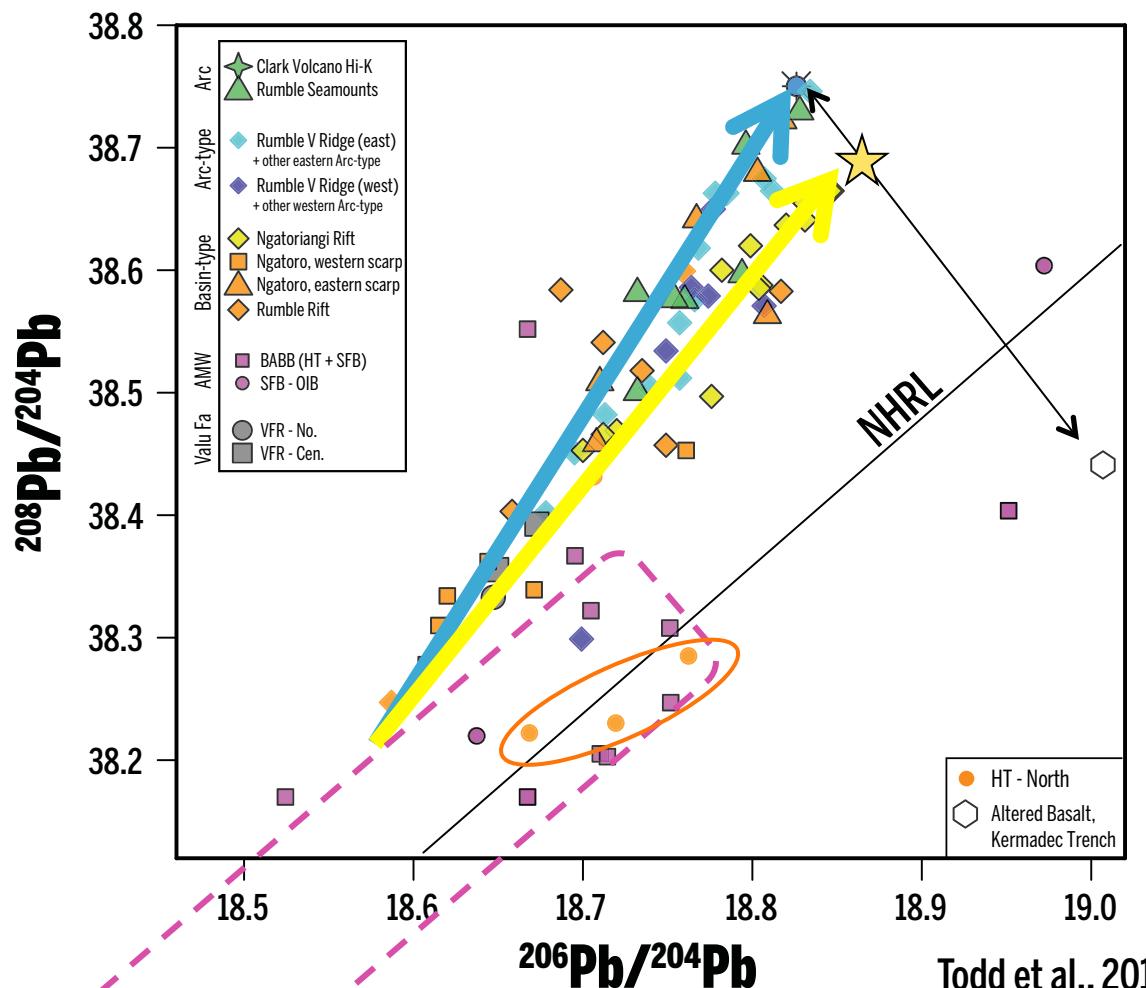
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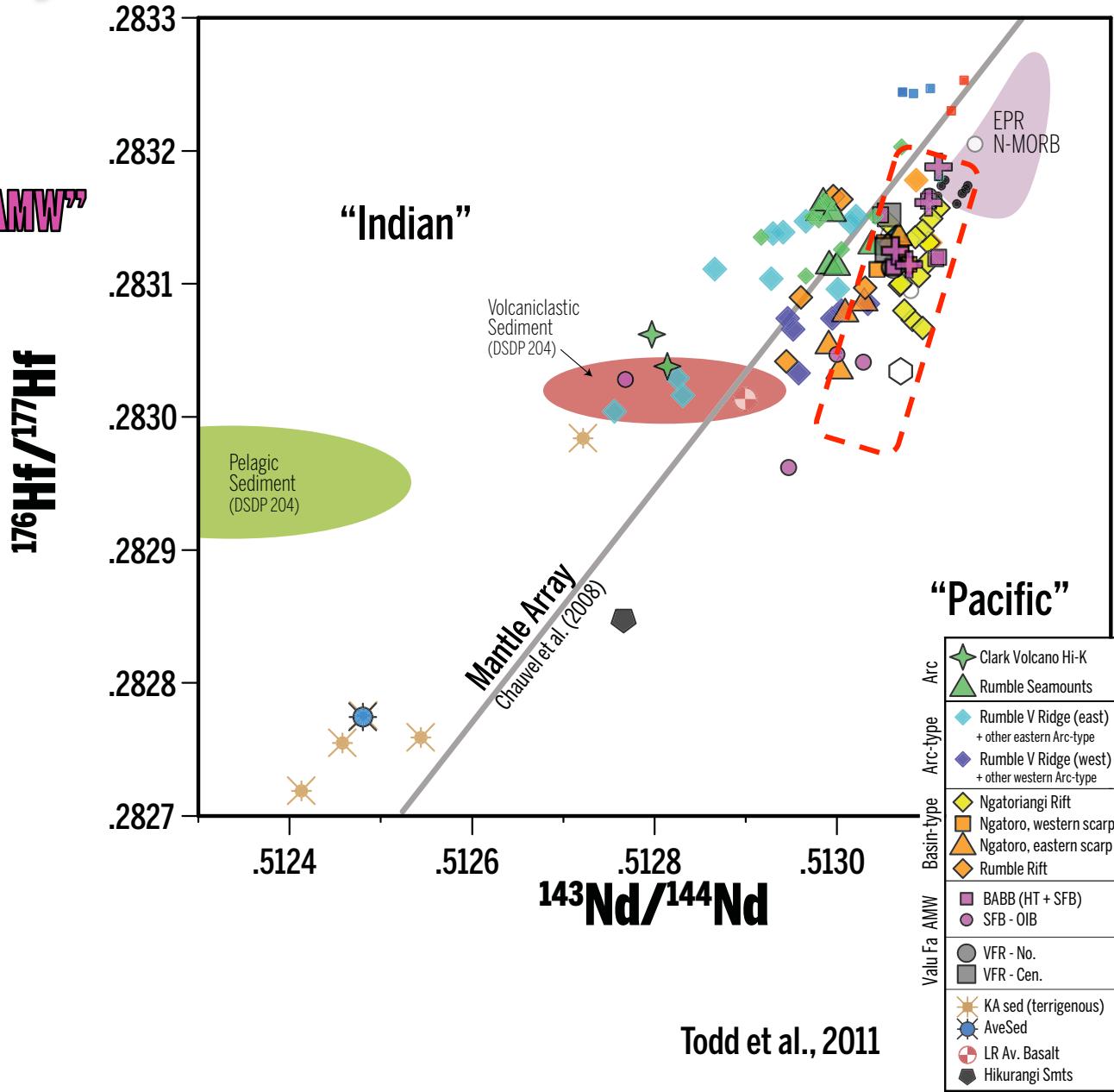
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- Ngatorirangi Rift “**Basin**” samples (*transitional between northern and southern localities*) point to transitional Pb
 - Mixture of AOC and Sediment Pb?



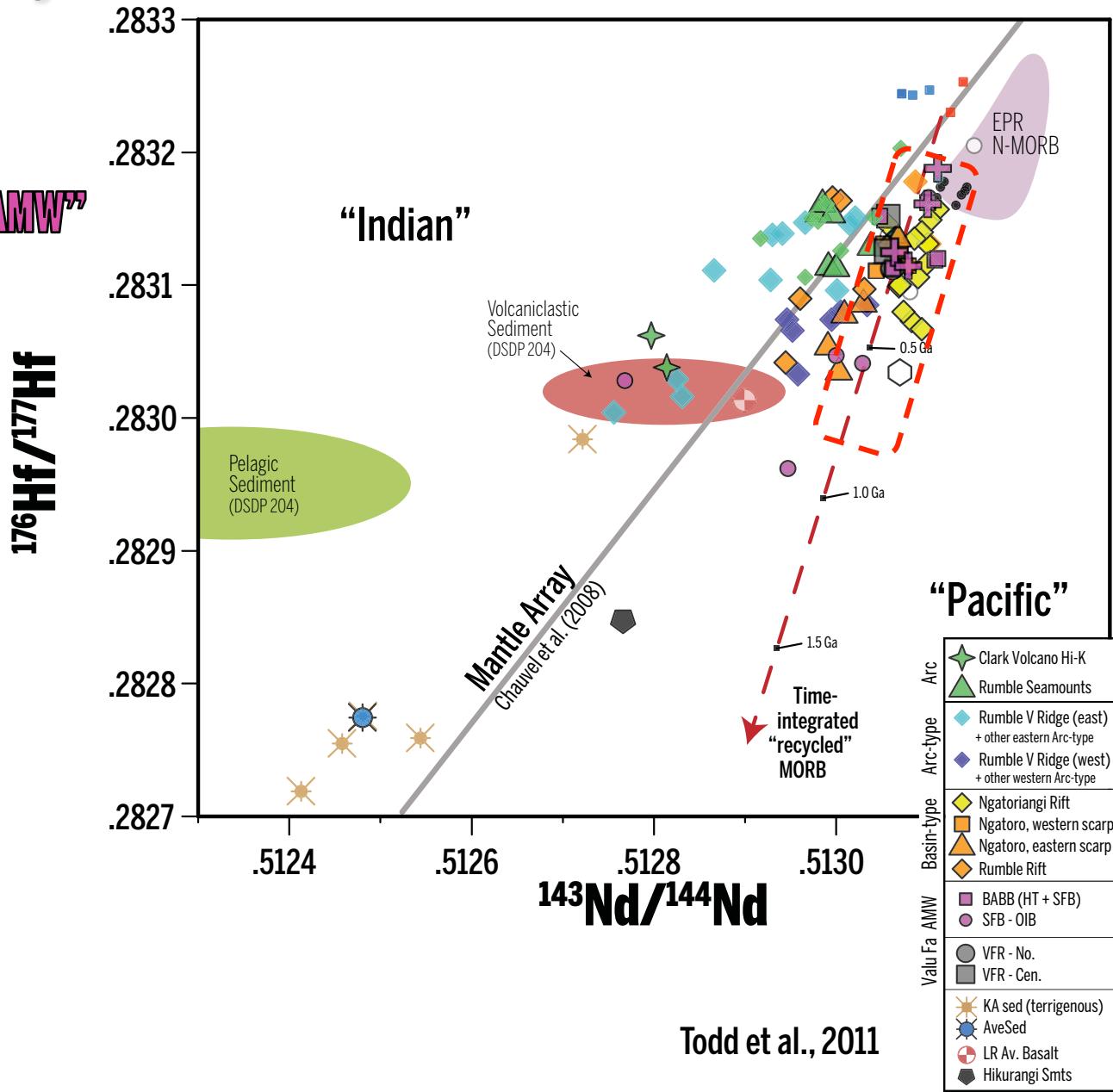
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 - Steep Array
 - No sediment input

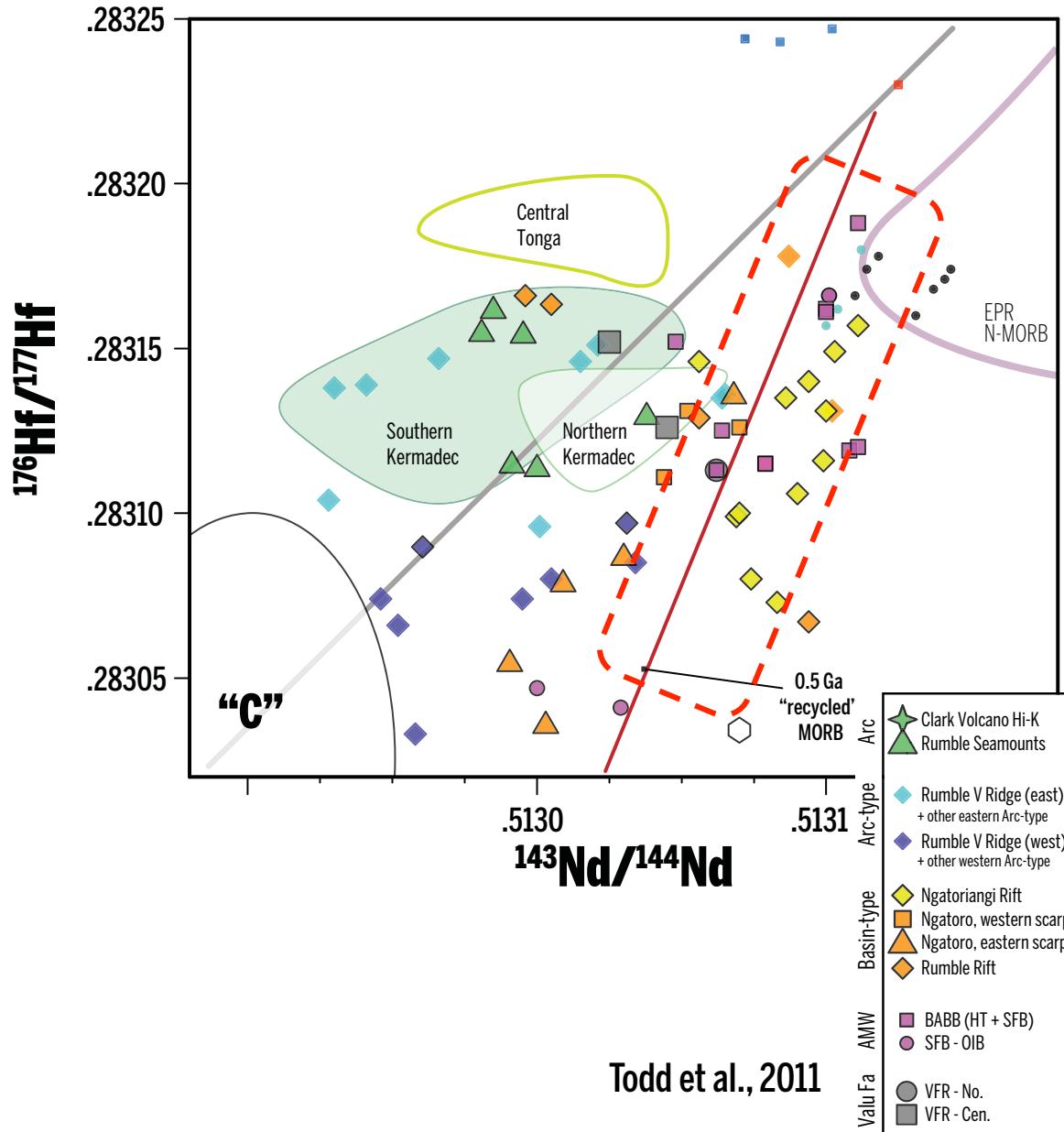


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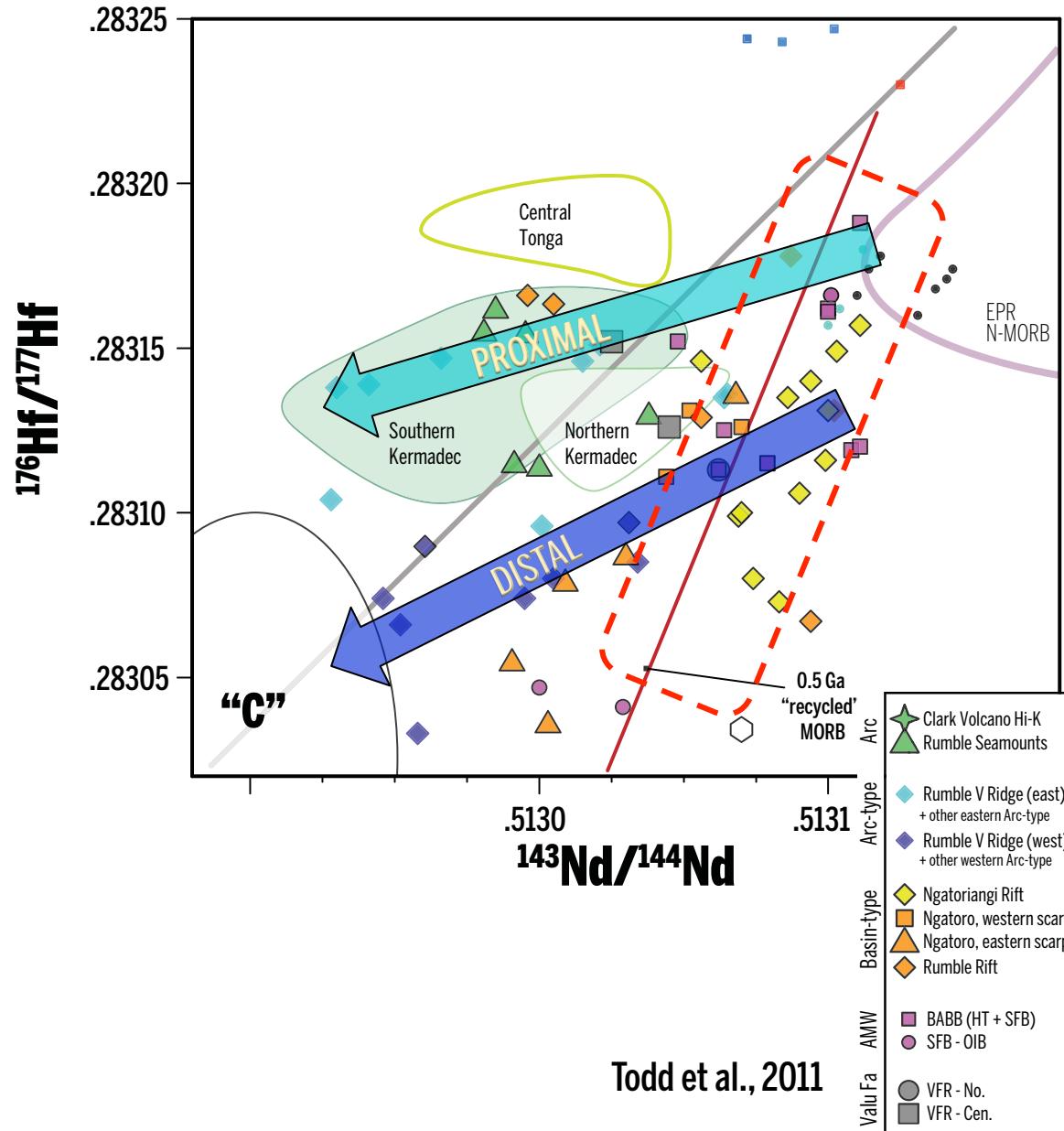


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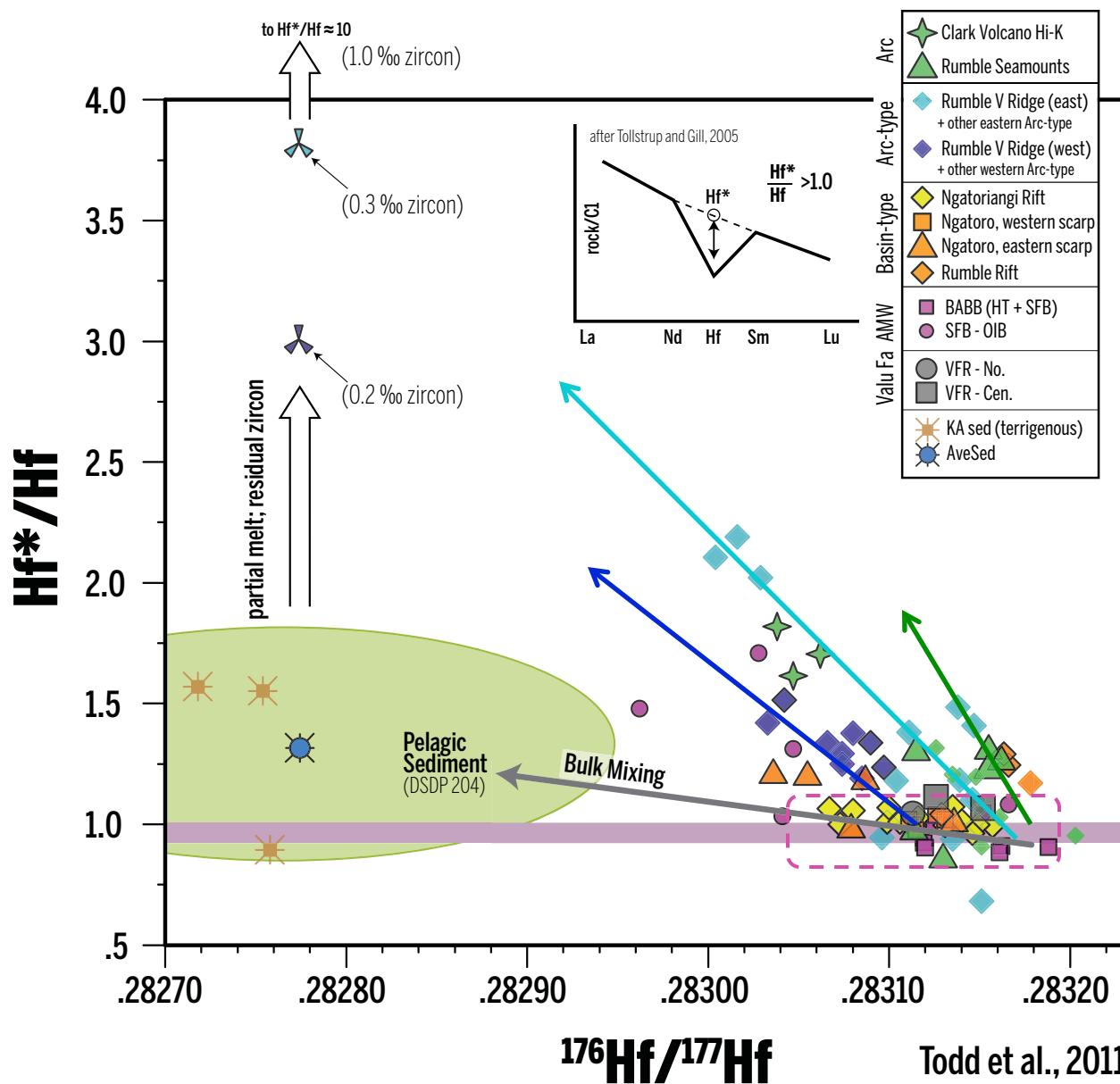
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 - **VF** and (proximal) “**Arc**” project to more depleted mantle
 - Distal “**Arc**” and most “**Basin**” samples project to more enriched mantle

⇒ Across-arc change in degree of mantle enrichment



Can variable subduction components account for the range of “modified” back-arc lavas?

- Most “**Basin**” magmas lie within **AMW** field
- “**Arc**” and extreme enriched **VF** samples
 - Lie above the binary **AMW** + sed mixing line
- Negative correlation indicates sed Hf addition accompanies Hf/REE fractionation
- Variable slope consistent with effect of partial melting with residual zircon (+/- rutile, monazite)
 - Magnitude decreases with distance from the trench
 - Decreasing residual zircon with slab depth

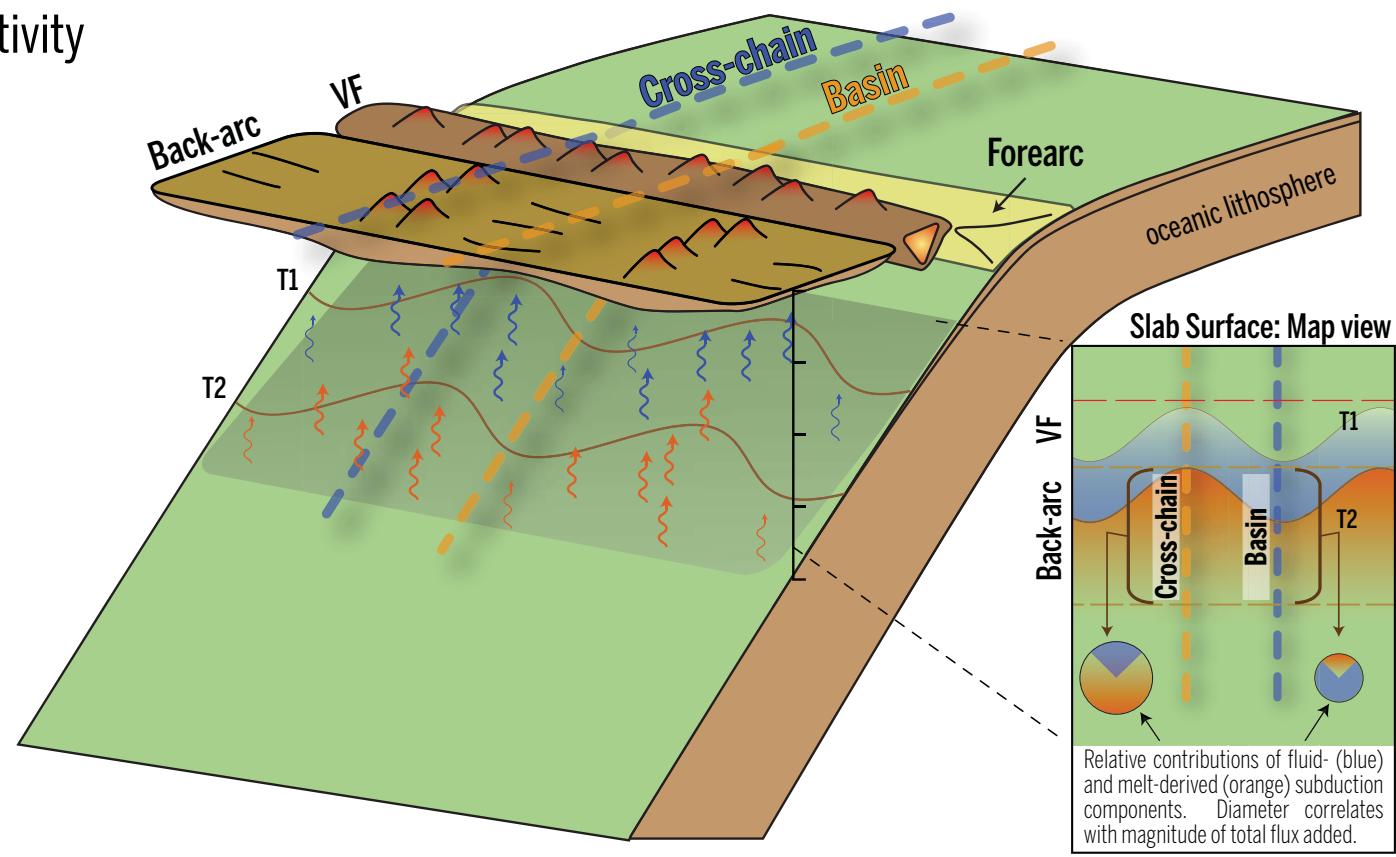


- Mantle component:
 - Variably enriched
 - Degree corresponds with distance to the trench, melt extraction
- Subduction component:
 - Variable Sed:AOC
 - Tracks thickness of sediment column
 - Variable fluid:melt
 - Tracks presence of thermal anomalies
 - Variable D_{HFSE}
 - Tracks buffering by residual trace phases during melting

Hot Fingers beneath the Arc Regime

Their “hand-print” on the slab could explain along-arc changes in morphology AND composition

- Compared with “**Basins**”, the “**Arc**” regime is characterized by:
 - More, and, earlier (trenchward), melt component
 - Higher melt productivity

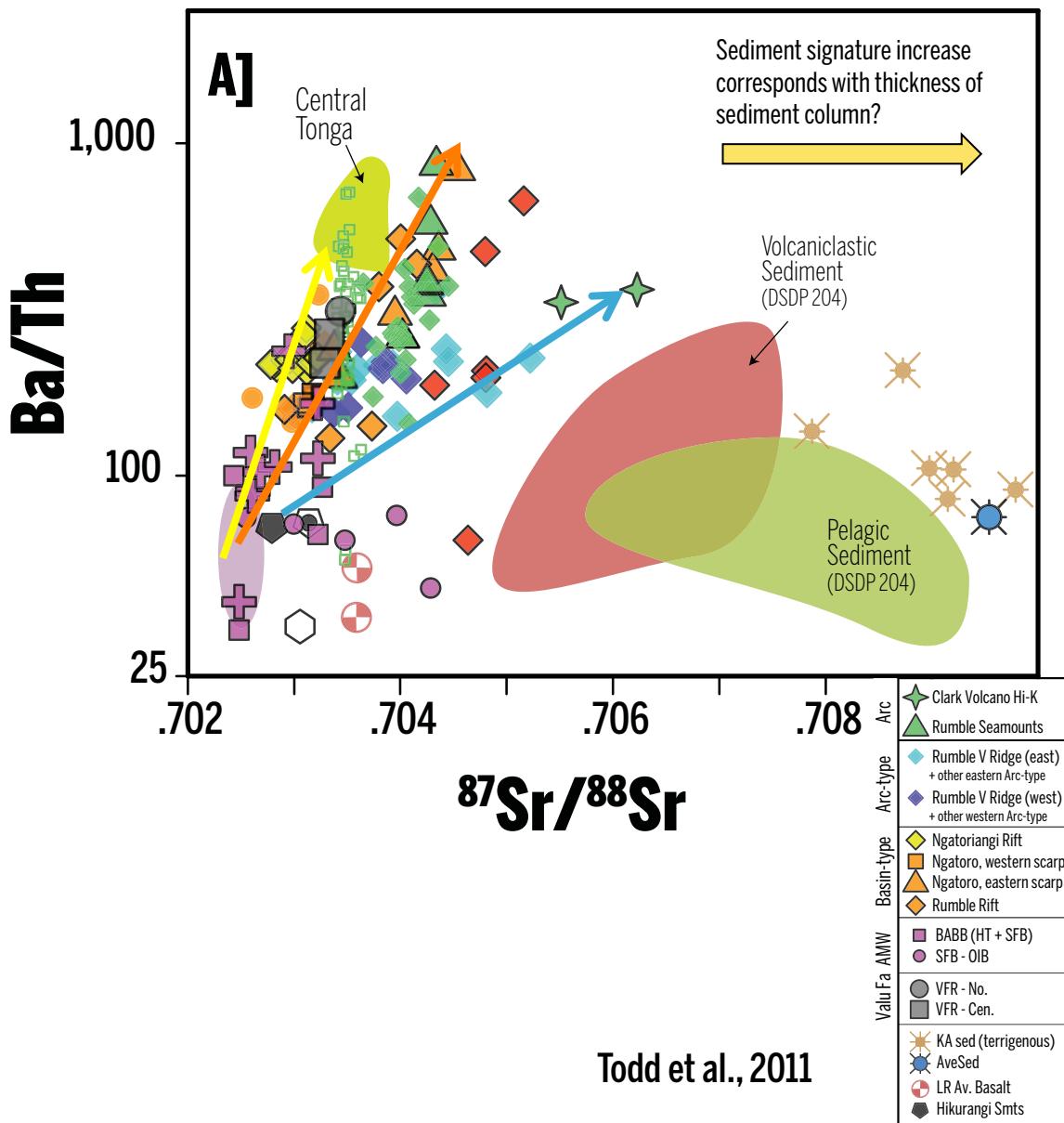


Conclusions:

- The ambient mantle is heterogeneous
 - Fertile mantle is progressively depleted by partial melting during advection to the VF
- The top of the slab melts at some depth interval beneath arcs and back-arcs, and cross chains may track where this occurs.
- Sediment contribution decreases to the north
- The sediment-derived flux changes to more melt-like across the backarc
 - More abruptly in the basin regime, more gradually in the arc regime

Sr Isotopic Signal of Slab-derived Fluids

- **AMW:** MORB-like elemental ratios, little/no $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ variation
 - Two at ~0.704, seawater alteration?
- $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$:
 - Most BABB point to Sr ratios intermediate between AOC and Sediment.
 - Some extreme **VF** and “**Arc**” (+ **TVZ**) indicate fluids with more continental Sr ratios
 - Fluids from higher Sed:AOC slab
 - Ngatorirangi “**Basin**” indicate fluids with less continental Sr ratios
 - Fluids from lower Sed:AOC slab
- Along-arc variation in fluid Sr:
 - Function of distance from continental sediment source



Todd et al., 2011

Evolution from fore-arc oceanic crust to island arc crust: A seismic study along the Izu–Bonin fore arc

