

Improving the reliability of Fe- and S-XANES measurements in silicate glasses: Correcting beam damage and identifying Fe-oxide nanolites in hydrous and anhydrous melt inclusions

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ABSTRACT

The redox state of silicate melts influences crystallization, element partitioning, and degassing behavior. Synchrotron-based micro-X-ray absorption near edge structure (μ XANES) spectroscopy has emerged as a powerful tool for determining redox conditions through the direct measurement of speciation of multivalent elements such as iron and sulfur in silicate glasses. In particular, the high spatial resolution afforded by synchrotron μ XANES makes it one of the few techniques available for determining redox conditions in melt inclusions, which can provide insights into pre-eruptive melt properties. However, the small size of melt inclusions, the deep penetration of X-rays, and irradiation-induced beam damage make μ XANES measurements in melt inclusions challenging. Here we present data showing the rapid occurrence of Fe- and S- μ XANES beam damage in experimental glasses, mid-ocean ridge basalt glasses, and olivine-hosted melt inclusions from the southern Cascade arc and Kilauea Volcano and develop approaches to recognize and correct for beam damage through repeated rapid analyses. By applying a time-dependent correction to a series of rapid measurements (~82 s/scan) of Fe- μ XANES pre-edge centroid positions, irradiation-induced photo-oxidation (Fe^{2+} to Fe^{3+}) can be corrected back to undamaged initial $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ even in damage-susceptible hydrous glasses. Using this beam damage correction technique, hydrous basaltic melt inclusions from the southern Cascades have $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ values that are ~0.036 lower (corresponding to -0.5 log units lower oxygen fugacity) than would have been indicated by standard Fe- μ XANES measurements. Repeated, rapid analyses (150–300 s/scan) were also used to identify S- μ XANES beam damage (photo-reduction of S^{6+} to S^{4+}), which was corrected with a peak fitting method to restore initial $\text{S}^{6+}/\Sigma\text{S}$. We observe that S- μ XANES beam damage can occur rapidly even in low- H_2O mid-ocean ridge basaltic glasses and melt inclusions from Kilauea Volcano, which are otherwise stable during even prolonged Fe- μ XANES analyses. By mitigating and correcting for sulfur photo-reduction, we conclude that some mid-ocean ridge basaltic glasses contain 0.08–0.09 $\text{S}^{6+}/\Sigma\text{S}$, which is more sulfate than might be expected based on the reduced oxidation state of these glasses (near the fayalite-magnetite-quartz oxygen buffer). Using beam damage identification and correction techniques, the valence states of iron and sulfur can be accurately measured even in beam damage-susceptible glasses and melt inclusions. Finally, using Fe- μ XANES, we demonstrate the presence of Fe-oxide nanolites within otherwise glassy, naturally quenched melt inclusions, which can complicate determination of iron valence state in affected glasses.

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1. Introduction

Synchrotron-based micro-X-ray absorption near edge structure (μ XANES) spectroscopy has become a valuable petrologic tool for *in situ* determination of the valence state and molecular complexing of redox-sensitive elements in magmatic minerals and glasses (see review by Sutton et al., 2020). In particular, Fe- and S- μ XANES have been applied to quenched volcanic glasses to advance our understanding of magmatic oxygen fugacity (fO_2) and complexing of species in glasses from Earth's mid-ocean ridges, hotspots, and volcanic arcs (Bonnin-Mosbah et al., 2001, 2002; Wilke et al., 2006; Berry et al., 2008; Kelley and Cottrell, 2009; Cottrell and Kelley, 2011; Brounce et al., 2014, 2017; Dyar et al., 2016; Lanzirotti et al., 2019; Moussallam et al., 2019; Sutton et al., 2020), as well as in igneous material from lunar and Martian samples (Righter et al., 2013; McCanta et al., 2017, 2019). The fO_2 of magmas exerts a major control on mineral stability and thereby the differentiation paths of magmas (Osborn, 1959; Kelley and Cottrell, 2012), including the behavior of important ore-forming species (e.g. Cr, Cu, Fe, Ti; Papike et al., 2016; Lanzirotti et al., 2019; Sutton et al., 2020). Additionally, fO_2 can significantly affect the solubility and degassing of multivalent volatiles (e.g., S, C) (Jugo, 2009; Jugo et al., 2010; de Moor et al., 2013; Jégo and Dasgupta, 2014; Moussallam et al., 2014, 2016; Helz et al., 2017; Head et al., 2018). A well-established approach to determining melt fO_2 is by measuring $Fe^{3+}/\Sigma Fe$ in quenched glasses (e.g., Kress and Carmichael, 1991; Borisov et al., 2018; O'Neill et al., 2018).

Iron occurs as both Fe^{2+} and Fe^{3+} in most terrestrial melts, and as Fe^{2+} or Fe^0 in strongly reduced melts below the IW buffer (generally extraterrestrial) (Schreiber et al., 1987). Fe-XANES allows the mean valence state of iron in minerals and silicate glasses to be determined based on spectral features at energies below the iron absorption edge (pre-edge features), while higher energy features inform iron bonding coordination in minerals (e.g., Waychunas et al., 1983; Bajt et al., 1994; Wilke et al., 2001, 2004, 2006; Berry et al., 2003, 2008; Farges et al., 2004; Cottrell et al., 2009). Fe-XANES pre-edge features in glasses are specifically sensitive to valence state, and measured spectra can therefore be related to glass $Fe^{3+}/\Sigma Fe$ by comparison to suites of glass standards synthesized under controlled redox conditions and analyzed using Mössbauer spectroscopy (e.g., Berry et al., 2003; Wilke et al., 2004; Cottrell et al., 2009). Several published calibrations relate measured Fe-XANES spectral centroid position associated with Fe^{2+} and Fe^{3+} pre-edge peaks to $Fe^{3+}/\Sigma Fe$ in silicate glasses (Galoisy et al., 2001; Bonnin-Mosbah et al., 2001; Berry et al., 2003; Wilke et al., 2004, 2007; Cottrell et al., 2009; Dauphas et al., 2014; Zhang et al., 2016, 2018; Fiege et al., 2017). Other recent calibrations have used multivariate analysis of the entire Fe-XANES spectrum to determine iron valence in standard glasses measured by Mössbauer (Shortle et al., 2015; Dyar et al., 2016).

Sulfur in silicate melts dominantly occurs as S^{2-} or S^{6+} (Carroll and Rutherford, 1988; Wilke et al., 2008). The transition between S^{2-} and S^{6+} species in silicate melts occurs over a relatively narrow fO_2 range near the Ni-NiO buffer (Carroll and Rutherford, 1988; Jugo et al., 2010; Botcharnikov et al., 2011), although there is evidence that this transition is dependent on temperature, pressure, and melt composition (Baker and Moretti, 2011; Klimm et al., 2012a; Fiege et al., 2014; Masotta and Keppler, 2015; Matjuschkin et al., 2016; Nash et al., 2019). S-XANES has been used to quantify the $S^{6+}/\Sigma S$ in glasses by fitting the relative intensity of absorption peaks for sulfide and sulfate species that occur at ~ 2475 – 2479 eV and ~ 2481 – 2483 eV, respectively (Paris et al., 2001; Métrich et al., 2002, 2009; Bonnin-Mosbah et al., 2002; Fleet et al., 2005; Jugo et al., 2010). These two sulfur species generally have distinct spectral absorbance features when present in silicate glasses. Based on melt composition and cooling history, reduced sulfur can also occur in a variety of metal-sulfide complexes, each of which has particular identifiable spectroscopic features (Li et al., 1995; Bonnin-Mosbah et al., 2002; Fleet et al., 2005; Head et al., 2018).

Fe- and S-XANES are particularly powerful techniques for investigating redox conditions of melt inclusions (MI), which are small parcels of quenched glass formed from melt entrapped within growing crystals. Melt inclusions are useful because they can preserve information on volatile concentrations and melt diversity that is otherwise lost during magma mixing, ascent, and eruption (Kent, 2008; Métrich and Wallace, 2008; Wallace et al., 2021). Melt inclusions in many systems of petrologic interest can be very small, with mean diameters of 10–100 μ m. The small size of MI leaves μ XANES (hereafter XANES) as one of the few techniques suitable for *in situ* measurements of element speciation (i.e., valence state and molecular coordination) within MI.

Inferring magma redox state from iron and sulfur valence in quenched glasses first and foremost requires accurate XANES measurements. The large penetrative depths of high-energy X-rays and oblique incident beam trajectories at many analytical facilities require careful sample preparation and analytical strategies to avoid signal contamination during Fe- and S-XANES measurements of MI and matrix glasses (Fig. 1). It has also been recognized that many glass compositions are susceptible to X-ray-induced changes in iron and sulfur speciation during analysis (i.e., beam damage) (Wilke et al., 2008; Métrich et al., 2009; Gonçalves et al., 2013; Moussallam et al., 2014, 2019; Cottrell et al., 2018; Blundy et al., 2020; Hughes et al., 2020). Although Fe-XANES measurements of nominally anhydrous basaltic and rhyolitic glasses are observed to be reproducible over a broad range of incident X-ray fluxes (Cottrell et al., 2009), hydrous volcanic glasses, particularly basaltic compositions, have been observed to undergo rapid oxidation of Fe^{2+} to Fe^{3+} with progressive irradiation (Cottrell et al., 2018; Moussallam et al., 2019). The exact mechanisms of iron photo-oxidation are not fully understood, but involve the production of photoelectrons and the local accumulation of charge in non-conductive materials, which alters the electron state of multivalent elements. The ensuing redox exchanges within glasses are accelerated by O-H volatilization or migration (Cottrell et al., 2018).

S-XANES measurements in silicate glasses have also been observed to undergo beam-induced changes in speciation, typically with S^{6+} being reduced to S^{4+} during progressive X-ray irradiation (Wilke et al., 2008; Métrich et al., 2009). Strategies to mitigate beam damage during Fe- and S-XANES measurements include reducing X-ray flux density (photon flux/analytical area) by using defocused beams, continually moving the sample during analysis, and/or decreasing incident photon flux (Wilke et al., 2008; Métrich et al., 2009; Klimm et al., 2012a; Brounce et al., 2017; Cottrell et al., 2018; Moussallam et al., 2019). Spatially resolved XANES beamlines are available at a number of synchrotron light sources worldwide with incident X-ray intensities ranging from 10^8 to 10^{12} photons/s (Sutton et al., 2020), where higher X-ray fluxes shorten analysis time by providing lower detection limits, but amplify beam damage concerns.

Many of these approaches to lessen beam damage are challenging to apply to MI owing to their small sizes. Smaller MI require more focused beam diameters to avoid contamination by the host mineral, but are thereby subject to higher photon densities and thus possible beam damage (e.g., Gaborieau et al., 2020; Tassara et al., 2020). Melt inclusions are often targeted for petrologic investigation specifically because they can retain magmatic volatiles that are otherwise lost from the external magma during ascent and degassing (Kent, 2008; Métrich and Wallace, 2008). However, silicate glasses with high H_2O contents have been observed to undergo larger changes in iron (and potentially sulfur) speciation during irradiation than what is observed in anhydrous silicate glasses (Cottrell et al., 2018; Moussallam et al., 2019). Hydrous MI may also be susceptible to the formation of nanolite crystals during quenching (Danyushevsky et al., 2002; Di Genova et al., 2018), which could lead to spurious interpretation of XANES spectra. These combined properties make it particularly challenging to apply XANES oxybarometry methods to the analysis of MI from volcanic arc environments, which tend to be both small and H_2O -rich.

To analyze these challenging MI, it is beneficial to develop XANES

approaches that both minimize changes in elemental speciation during irradiation and correct for changes that do occur. Applying generalized corrections to datasets is not ideal because differences in glass compositions and H_2O contents (e.g., caused by variable diffusive H^+ loss from MI before quenching) can lead to different MI susceptibilities to beam damage within the same deposit or even within the same host mineral.

In this study, we present techniques that aid in recognizing X-ray-induced changes in iron and sulfur valence in volcanic glasses and MI that result from XANES analysis. We then propose new time-dependent corrections for beam damage that does occur. For S-XANES, we also introduce a new spectral fitting approach that can account for the photo-reduction of S^{6+} to S^{4+} during analysis. Finally, we present a method to identify the presence of Fe-oxide nanolites in MI during Fe-XANES analysis. Collectively, these methods enable reliable quantification of iron and sulfur valence, and thereby melt redox state, from small and/or beam damage-susceptible glasses and MI.

1.1. XANES analysis of melt inclusions

1.1.1. Geometric considerations

At the Fe K -edge, the characteristic $1/e$ X-ray absorption depth in basaltic glass is $\approx 40 \mu\text{m}$ (Elam et al., 2002), and $120 \mu\text{m}$ ($1/e^3$) thick glass is therefore required for 95% absorption of X-rays during Fe-XANES measurements. X-ray absorption by Fe-bearing inclusions or crystalline host phases that may be present within the analytical path will be mixed with the signal of the targeted glass. This is a particular problem for analyzing MI, as MI are often less than $100 \mu\text{m}$ thick. Consequently, most MI must be doubly intersected for Fe-XANES analysis to avoid signal contamination from the host mineral. A further complication in XANES measurements of MI, particularly for highly penetrative Fe-XANES analyses, is that many XANES beamline configurations utilize a $\sim 45^\circ$ slant geometry of incoming X-ray beam in fluorescence operating modes. The inclined incidence angle means that as wafer thickness increases in the beam direction, progressively wider doubly-intersected MI areas are needed to keep the analytical path free of mineral contamination (Fig. 1). Throughout the X-ray penetration

volume, the minimum required doubly-intersected MI dimensions for a host-free glass measurement are equal to the MI thickness plus the beam diameter size (assuming a cylindrical doubly-intersected MI area). This requires MI to be either sufficiently wide or ground very thin for clean glass analyses using high energy X-rays (e.g., Fe-XANES, V-XANES, Cu-XANES). Thus, small MI in olivine and other Fe-bearing phases can be challenging to measure for Fe-XANES. Even for analyses of MI in phases that have low, but non-zero, Fe-concentrations (e.g., feldspars), the high penetrative depth of Fe-XANES can excite a large volume of the host phase, so that the host contribution to the Fe-XANES signal may be significant. This issue is of particular concern for small MI and for glass compositions with relatively low Fe-contents, such as dacites and rhyolites. At the lower energy S K -edge ($\sim 2500 \text{ eV}$), X-rays are more strongly attenuated, with the $1/e$ X-ray absorption depth in basaltic glass only $\sim 5 \mu\text{m}$. Consequently, 95% of the S-XANES X-ray absorption occurs within the upper $15 \mu\text{m}$ Wilke et al. (2011), and most of these geometric concerns are accordingly lessened (Fig. 1A).

1.1.2. Analytical details and sample descriptions

Fe- and S-XANES measurements were conducted on a variety of volcanic and experimental silicate glasses at GSECARS beamline 13-ID-E at Argonne National Laboratory's (Illinois, USA) Advanced Photon Source (APS), a third generation synchrotron light source (Sutton et al., 2017). Details of the 13-ID-E beamline configuration are described in Head et al. (2018) and are consistent with measurements conducted here, except for differences in photon flux and analytical times described below.

To account for differences in monochromator calibrations between synchrotron facilities, a set of standards (minerals, metal foils, synthetic glasses) were measured at the onset of each analytical session to determine the appropriate energy offset to apply to Fe- and S-XANES oxybarometer calibration curves relative to reference energy fitting ranges (details below). At beamline 13-ID-E, the lattice constants for the monochromator Si(111) and Si(311) crystals are calculated from reference foils measured throughout the analyzable energy range of the crystals, and provide excellent consistency with absorption edge

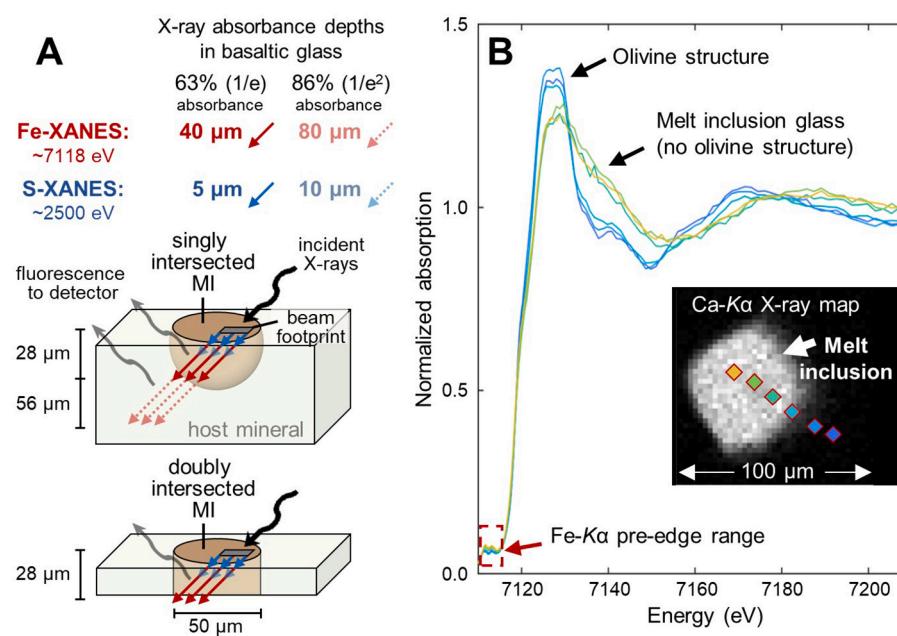


Fig. 1. (A) Schematic analytical XANES geometry of a $50 \mu\text{m}$ diameter melt inclusion (MI) (brown) analyzed with a $20 \times 20 \mu\text{m}$ X-ray beam. For many XANES fluorescence measurements, the X-ray beam (black arrow) is $\sim 45^\circ$ incident to the sample surface and the sample fluorescent energy (gray arrows) is measured at 45° in the opposite direction. Depending on the penetration depth of the X-ray energy being used, the beam may interact with substantial host mineral both laterally and at depth, leading to mineral-contaminated spectra. For Fe-XANES (red arrows), 63% and 86% of the X-ray signal are absorbed in 40 and 80 μm hypotenuse paths through basaltic glass (28 and 56 μm vertical thicknesses), requiring the MI be both doubly intersected and sufficiently wide to avoid host mineral contamination. S-XANES X-ray energies are much less penetrating (blue arrows), so MI geometry and thickness concerns are lessened. (B) A series of Fe-XANES measurements of a doubly-intersected olivine-hosted MI from the southern Cascades (BORG-1_37, Table 1) showing a traverse from within the MI into the olivine-host, demonstrating the difference in absorption edge profiles of glass and olivine analyses. Measurement locations are shown atop a $\text{Ca-K}\alpha$ X-ray map (inset), with symbol colors matching the shown spectra. (For interpretation of the references to color in this figure legend, the reader is referred to the web version of this article.)

energies determined by [Kraft et al. \(1996\)](#). The 13-ID-E beamline has excellent reproducibility in measured reference materials over the course of standard two to three-day measurement periods and therefore no within-session drift corrections were applied during either Fe- or S-XANES measurements. Prior to each XANES analysis, an X-ray map was made by rapidly rastering across the sample to identify areas in MI and other glass targets that were free of host mineral or microlite crystals in the beam path. The X-ray beam was then turned off to prevent any further unnecessary beam interaction with the glasses until XANES measurements began.

Analyzed samples include doubly-intersected MI and matrix glasses mounted on Fe-free glass rounds and thin sections. Samples were embedded in CrystalBond®, EpoThin® epoxy, or thin section resin. All bonding material and glass substrates were analyzed to confirm that they contained only trace amounts of iron and had negligible contribution to Fe-XANES signals. The bonding materials did contain substantial sulfur, but because the lower energy X-rays for S-XANES are almost fully absorbed within $\sim 15 \mu\text{m}$ of glass ([Fig. 1A](#)) and all analyzed glasses were substantially thicker than this, the bonding materials contributed no appreciable signal to S-XANES measurements. We also analyzed singly intersected experimental glass charges, where glass thicknesses of multiple mm fully absorbed X-rays at both Fe- and S- $K\alpha$ energies so that contamination from the capsule material was insignificant. In experimental glass charges, care was taken to analyze only crystal-poor glass areas and to avoid measurements near capsule edges.

2. Identifying and correcting Fe-XANES beam damage

Fe-XANES measurements were made in fluorescence mode at APS during analysis sessions in 2018 and 2019. The APS 13-ID-E beamline can deliver a focused, unattenuated X-ray beam to the sample at the Fe K -edge energy with photon fluxes exceeding 1×10^{12} photons/s. Fully focused beam sizes of $\sim 1 \times 2 \mu\text{m}$ are achievable, providing flux densities up to 5×10^{11} photons/s/ μm^2 . [Cottrell et al. \(2018\)](#) and [Moussallam et al. \(2019\)](#) show that beam damage during Fe-XANES analysis scales with delivered photon dose over the measurement duration. Therefore, for the analyses presented here, photon doses were reduced during Fe-XANES analyses as follows:

- 1) Photon flux was attenuated using high-purity aluminum foil filters in the beam path (6 sheets of foil, totaling $222 \mu\text{m}$ thick), which decreased the incident photon flux to $\sim 3\text{--}5 \times 10^9$ photons/s, consistent with an approach used in previous studies ([Brounce et al., 2017](#); [Moussallam et al., 2019](#); [Tassara et al., 2020](#); [Gaborieau et al., 2020](#)).
- 2) Flux density on the sample was further decreased by defocusing the incident X-ray beam so that photon densities were generally $1\text{--}1.5 \times 10^8$, $2\text{--}4 \times 10^7$, and $6\text{--}9 \times 10^6$ photons/s/ μm^2 for 5×5 , 10×10 , and $20 \times 20 \mu\text{m}$ beam footprints, respectively.
- 3) Analysis times were minimized as much as possible while still providing interpretable spectra, which allowed us to reduce beam exposure.

The 13-ID-E monochromator calibration provides a first derivative of the Fe K -edge peak of iron foil at ~ 7110.7 eV, consistent with values determined by [Kraft et al. \(1996\)](#). We followed the Fe-XANES measurement methodology outlined in [Head et al. \(2018\)](#), but with modified scan times and energy ranges used to better identify and correct for beam damage. Two different analytical setups were used: rapid pre-edge scans and slower full energy scans. For rapid scans, the incident beam was scanned from 7092 to 7107 eV in 2.5 eV steps, from 7107 to 7119 eV in 0.1 eV steps, and from 7119 to 7144 eV in 0.05 \AA^{-1} (0.5–1.0 eV) steps (continuous steps rather than discrete). Each scan step was 0.5 s and the total scan time was 82 s, with ~ 10 s delay prior to the next analysis for beamline adjustment and computational processing. The rapid pre-edge scans quickly measure over a reduced energy range to minimize beam

exposure to the extent possible while still collecting spectra with high enough resolution for peak fitting in the pre-edge region. The 82 s scan is much faster than typical Fe-XANES scan durations reported in the literature, which usually range from 270 s to >700 s (4.5 to >10 min) (e.g., [Cottrell et al., 2009, 2018](#); [Moussallam et al., 2016](#); [Head et al., 2018](#); [Gaborieau et al., 2020](#); [Tassara et al., 2020](#)). The slower, full energy range scans measured from 7012 to 7102 eV in 2.5 eV steps, from 7102 to 7120 eV in 0.1 eV steps, and from 7120 to 7356 eV in 0.05 \AA^{-1} (0.5–3.0 eV) steps. Each scan step time was either 0.5 or 1 s and total scan durations were 176 or 352 s. This full energy range scan served as a higher-resolution scan of both the pre- and post-absorption edge regions, which is similar to analytical procedures reported in other Fe-XANES studies and allowed spectra to be normalized and assessed for mineral contamination.

Measured spectra were normalized to the incident flux ($K\alpha$ fluorescent intensity / incident flux [I_0]) and were fit using XAS viewer within the LARCH software package ([Newville, 2013](#)). $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ was calculated using relative pre-edge peak intensities following approaches described in [Cottrell et al. \(2009\)](#). This approach uses the calculated centroid energy of the pre-edge doublet, which is related to the $1s \rightarrow 3d$ electron transition, to determine glass $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ based on calibrations to standard glasses equilibrated at known $f\text{O}_2$ conditions and measured using Mössbauer spectroscopy ([Berry et al., 2003](#); [Wilke et al., 2004](#); [Cottrell et al., 2009](#)). An energy offset between our basaltic glass measurements and those used in the Fe-XANES calibration of [Cottrell et al. \(2009\)](#) (due to monochromator calibrations and background subtractions during peak fitting) was determined by comparing the Fe pre-edge centroid position of basaltic reference glass LW_0 ([Cottrell et al., 2009, 2018](#); [Zhang et al., 2016, 2018](#)) from the Smithsonian Institution. The split of LW_0 glass analyzed here is embedded in the mount NMNH 118279/IGSN NHB007V34, and is the same specimen as found in the mount with catalog number NMNH 117393/IGSN NHB0073V8 (both available by request from the Smithsonian Institution). The pre-edge centroid position of LW_0 was measured by [Cottrell et al. \(2009\)](#) to have an energy of 7112.30 eV using the beamline configuration they described at the National Synchrotron Light Source (Brookhaven National Laboratory). All Fe-XANES spectra in figures and data tables throughout this manuscript are presented in energy units as-measured at APS. However, when calculating iron valences in basaltic glasses, energy shifts of $+0.317$ and $+0.323$ eV were respectively applied to iron pre-edge centroid positions for measurement sessions 2018–3 and 2019–2 to provide consistency with centroid values measured for LW_0 in [Cottrell et al. \(2009\)](#). Pre-edge peak fitting ranges were similarly adjusted from [Cottrell et al. \(2009\)](#) to span an energy range of 7108.7–7116.7 eV, consistent with the methodology discussed in [Zhang et al. \(2016\)](#). Within this fit window, the absorption baseline of the main Fe K absorption edge was fit using a linear and a Lorentzian function, and the pre-edge doublet was fit using two Gaussian functions ([Cottrell et al., 2009](#)). The centroid value of the these two peaks was used to calculate $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ following the Mössbauer-based calibration of [Zhang et al. \(2018\)](#) for basaltic glasses.

For dacitic and rhyolitic glasses, average iron valence was calculated from a parameterization of [Fiege et al. \(2017\)](#) for felsic glasses. No energy offsets were applied because our measurements of the first derivative of the absorption edge of iron foil were consistent with those of [Fiege et al. \(2017\)](#). Uncertainties in centroid values (± 1 SE), as detailed below, are propagated through the basalt or rhyolitic calibrations to calculate uncertainties of $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ calculations.

2.1. Timescales of Fe-XANES beam damage

Fe-XANES analysis of hydrous silicate glasses with a high intensity X-ray beam can cause rapid photo-oxidation of Fe^{2+} to Fe^{3+} within the glass, creating large inaccuracies in determining the initial $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ values of glasses ([Cottrell et al., 2018](#); [Moussallam et al., 2019](#)) ([Fig. 2](#)). The extent of this oxidation varies depending on glass composition and photon dose. Beam-induced oxidation causes a shift in Fe- $K\alpha$ pre-edge

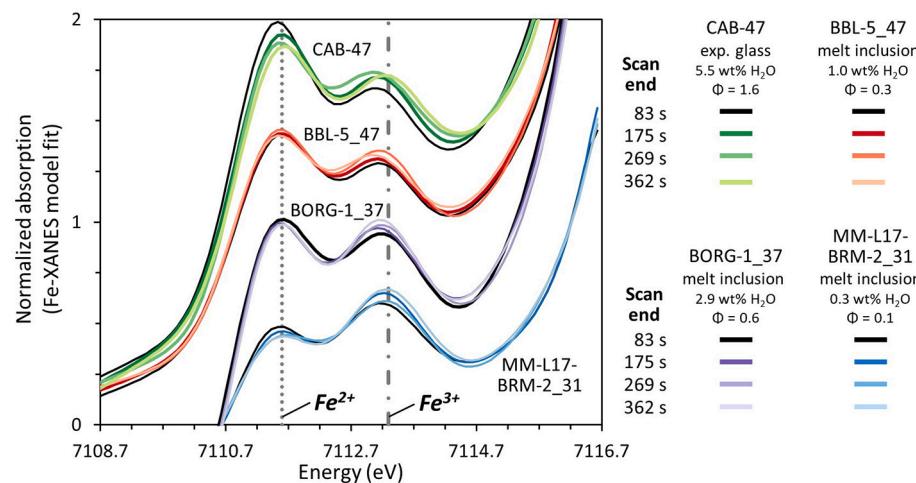


Fig. 2. Model fits to Fe-XANES pre-edge spectra for repeated rapid scans of experimental basaltic glass CAB-47 and of melt inclusions from the southern Cascades (CA, USA). Spectra of different samples have been vertically shifted for clarity. Progressive oxidation occurs during repeated rapid scans, as evidenced by the lighter colored lines. Samples have different initial $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ and H_2O contents, which affect the extent of beam-induced photo-oxidation. Measurements were made with a $10 \times 10 \mu\text{m}$ beam and photon flux densities ranging from 2 to 4×10^7 photons/s/ μm^2 . The lines labeled Fe^{2+} and Fe^{3+} refer to the approximate positions of the first and second pre-edge doublet peaks.

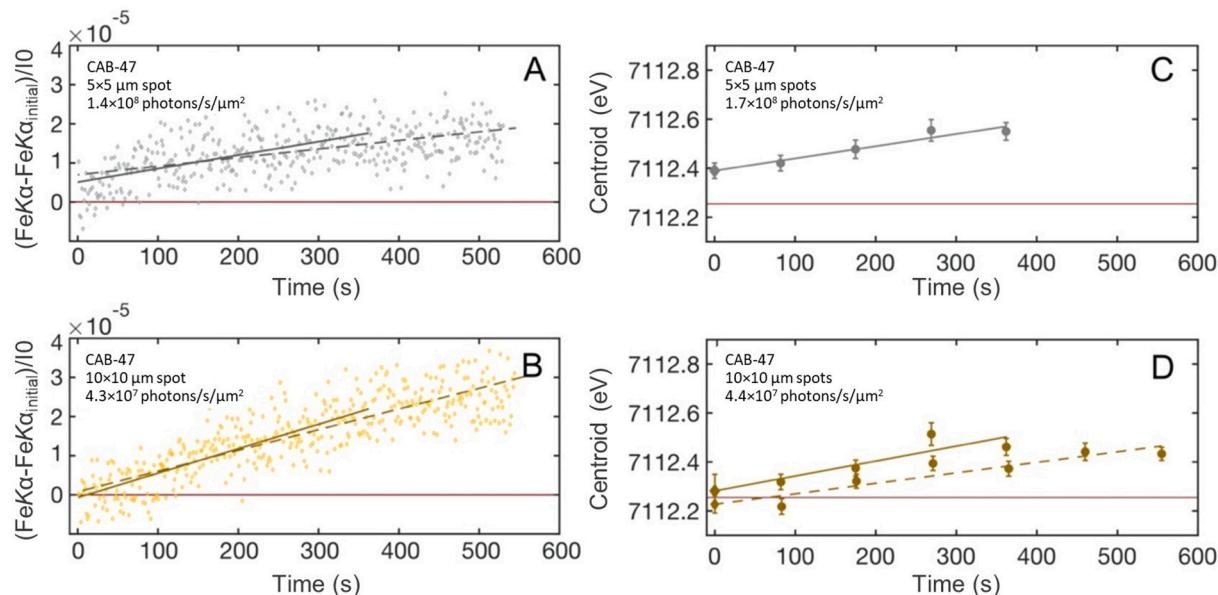


Fig. 3. (A, B) Intensities of the 2nd pre-edge doublet as a function of time in experimental glass CAB-47 measured with photon flux densities of 1.4×10^8 and 4.3×10^7 photons/s/ μm^2 ($5 \times 5 \mu\text{m}$ and $10 \times 10 \mu\text{m}$ respective spot sizes). Gray and yellow lines are linear regressions through data from 0 to 362 s (solid) or 0 to 537 s (dashed). $\text{Fe-K}\alpha/10$ initial intensity (red horizontal line) is taken as the average of the first 5 analyses. (C, D) Pre-edge centroid positions calculated from repeated rapid scans (see Fig. 2) for experimental glass CAB-47 with photon flux densities of 1.7×10^8 photons/s/ μm^2 ($5 \times 5 \mu\text{m}$ spot size; one time series) and $\sim 4.4 \times 10^7$ photons/s/ μm^2 ($10 \times 10 \mu\text{m}$ spot size, two time series). Each circle is a centroid value calculated from one pre-edge scan with error bars representing ± 1 SE of centroid fits to each scan. Diamonds at $t = 0$ s are the intercept of linear regressions to each time series and are taken to be beam damage-corrected centroid values. Error bars on the $t = 0$ s centroid positions represent ± 1 SE of the time series linear regression. Red lines in panels C and D are the estimated initial $t = 0$ s centroid value, which is taken as the average beam damage corrected centroid values for the two $10 \times 10 \mu\text{m}$ analysis time series (panel D). Gray and yellow lines are linear regressions through centroid values from 82 to 362 s (solid) and 82 to 537 s (dashed). Centroid values in C and D have been shifted by $+0.32$ eV for consistency with the LW_0 centroid position reported by Cottrell et al. (2009).

peak intensities but does not produce any uniquely identifiable spectral features. Consequently, it is impossible to know from a single Fe-XANES analysis whether a sample had suffered from beam-induced photo-oxidation (compare with S-XANES beam damage, which produces diagnostic spectral features, as discussed below). Therefore, samples must either be analyzed under carefully tested analytical conditions to ensure that no significant beam damage occurs for the particular glass composition and analysis duration, or a method must be employed that can identify and correct for beam damage in each individual analysis spot. We emphasize the latter approach in this study, presenting a method that allows us to reliably analyze small, hydrous glass inclusions with a relatively high-flux beam.

To identify and correct for beam damage within each analysis spot, we conducted multiple rapid scans of the Fe K pre-edge region to create a time series of progressive photo-oxidation (Fig. 2). These time series allow us to assess whether beam damage occurred during analysis and, if needed, enables us to calculate sample-specific corrections. For each analysis spot, we conducted 3 to 6 rapid pre-edge scans (82 s) followed by one full energy scan (176 or 352 s) across the entire Fe K absorption edge energy range. If pre-edge centroids calculated from the rapid scans did not show progressive oxidation over time, the spectra were merged together to form a single higher-resolution pre-edge spectrum. If progressive changes in pre-edge centroid positions were observed, we use the time series of centroid positions to extrapolate the centroid back to t

Table 1

Experimental and natural glasses analyzed by Fe- and S-XANES in this study.

Sample, composition	H ₂ O (wt %)	Fe-XANES beam damage susceptibility index (Φ) [*]	XANES analysis type	Fe ³⁺ /ΣFe and S ⁶⁺ /ΣS ranges ^{**}	Photon density (photons/s/μm ²); observed beam damage ^{***}
CAB-47: experimental basaltic glass. 1250 °C, 1.3 GPa, minor phenocrysts (Weaver et al., 2011; this study)	5.5	1.6	Fe-XANES (+ photo-oxidation time series tests) S concentration too low for S-XANES	0.13 Fe ³⁺	Fe-XANES: 1–1.5 × 10 ⁸ : high 2–4 × 10 ⁷ : high 6–9 × 10 ⁶ : med
CAB-33: experimental basaltic glass. 1225 °C, 1.7 GPa, phenocryst-free, but Fe-oxide nanolite spectral signature (Weaver et al., 2011; this study)	7.2	1.8	Fe-XANES (+ photo-oxidation time series tests) S concentration too low for S-XANES	Fe-oxide nanolites present	Fe-XANES: 2–4 × 10 ⁷ : severe 6–9 × 10 ⁶ : high
P2-F: Mono Craters obsidian pyroclast with <0.1% microlites (Barnes et al., 2014; Watkins et al., 2017; this study)	2.0–2.3	–	Fe photo-oxidation time series tests	–	Fe-XANES: 1–1.5 × 10 ⁸ : med 2–4 × 10 ⁷ : slight
G466: experimental basalt glass. 1300 °C, 2 GPa, minor clinopyroxene + anhydrite (Chowdhury and Dasgupta, 2019; this study)	6.5	–	S-XANES	1.0 S ⁶⁺	S-XANES: 5 × 10 ⁹ : severe 2 × 10 ⁸ : high 5 × 10 ⁷ : med 8 × 10 ⁶ : slight
G479: experimental basalt glass. 1300 °C, 1.5 GPa, minor anhydrite (Chowdhury and Dasgupta, 2019; this study)	8.9	–	S-XANES	1.0 S ⁶⁺	S-XANES: 8 × 10 ⁶ : slight
MORB glasses: VG-2 (Jarosewich et al., 1980; Rose and Brown, 2017; Zhang et al., 2018; this study) JDF-46 N (Fiege et al., 2014; this study) ALV892-1 (Fiege et al., 2014; this study)	<0.1	~0.01	S-XANES	~0.15 Fe ³⁺ 0.04–0.08 S ⁶⁺	S-XANES: 1 × 10 ¹⁰ : severe 4.5 × 10 ⁸ : high 1 × 10 ⁸ : med 6.5 × 10 ⁶ : slight
KE62-3293S: Kilauea 2018 basaltic pumice MI and matrix glass (Lerner et al., 2021; this study)	0.1–0.3	0.1	Fe-XANES S-XANES	0.13–0.18 Fe ³⁺ 0.03–0.25 S ⁶⁺	Fe-XANES: 2–4 × 10 ⁷ : none S-XANES: 2 × 10 ⁸ : med 5 × 10 ⁷ : slight 8 × 10 ⁶ : none
KE62-3315F: Kilauea 2018 littoral bomb MI and matrix glass (Lerner et al., 2021; this study)	0.1–0.2	0.03	Fe-XANES S-XANES	0.20–0.34 Fe ³⁺ 0.68–0.96 S ⁶⁺	Fe-XANES: 2–4 × 10 ⁷ : none S-XANES: 5 × 10 ⁷ : high 8 × 10 ⁶ : slight
Lassen (southern Cascades): olivine-hosted MI BRM, BBL, BORG (Muth and Wallace, 2021; this study)	0.3–3.7	0.1–0.7	Fe-XANES S-XANES	0.14–0.31 Fe ³⁺ 0.20–0.98 S ⁶⁺	Fe-XANES: 2–4 × 10 ⁷ : med S-XANES: 5 × 10 ⁷ : med 8 × 10 ⁶ : slight
Augustine 2006: AUG_308 – low silica andesite tephra; AUG_HSA2 – high silica andesite tephra (Lerner, 2020; this study)	1.0–4.0	0.2	Fe-XANES	0.39–0.44 Fe ³⁺ (in glasses with no Fe-oxide nanolites)	Fe-XANES: 1–1.5 × 10 ⁸ : slight to none
Cerro Negro: olivine-hosted MI (Gaetani et al., 2012; this study)	3.0–4.0	0.5	Fe-XANES	Fe-oxide nanolites present	Fe-XANES: not tracked with repeat scans

* Fe-XANES beam damage susceptibility index (Cottrell et al., 2018): $XHO_{0.5} * XFeO/XFeO_{1.5}$, calculated using molar fractions and Fe²⁺/Fe³⁺ from time-zero interpolated Fe-XANES measurements. Full glass compositions are presented in the [Data supplement](#).

** Fe³⁺/ΣFe and S⁶⁺/ΣS ranges for beam damage corrected Fe- and S-XANES analyses. XANES spectra and results are presented in the [Data supplement](#).

*** Incident photon flux was ~3–5 × 10⁹ photons/s for Fe-XANES, and ~1–50 × 10⁹ photons/s for S-XANES. Analysis footprint sizes ranged from 2 × 2, 5 × 5, 10 × 10, 20 × 20, and 50 × 50 μm. Qualitative beam damage observations were based on 2–4 repeated scans, with total scan times of 8–12 min and 10–15 min per location for Fe- and S-XANES measurements, respectively.

= 0 s. We take this extrapolated value as the initial, ‘correct’ centroid position prior to beam exposure. This time-dependent correction approach is similar to methods commonly applied to electron microprobe (EPMA) measurements to account for alkali migration during electron beam excitation (Kuehn et al., 2011). A time-dependent approach has also been recently proposed for determining iron valence by EPMA measurements (Hughes et al., 2018).

X-ray-induced photo-oxidation during Fe-XANES analysis can be difficult to identify, partly because a large extent of the valence change occurs rapidly in the first minutes of analysis (Cottrell et al., 2018; Moussallam et al., 2019). To ensure that our sequences of repeated rapid scans adequately captured changes to centroid positions during the earliest stages of photo-oxidation, we measured changes to the intensity of the 2nd pre-edge doublet (7113.2–7113.4 eV at APS) in single spots

over 6–16 min. Such dwell tests track the photo-oxidation of the analyzed glass at a much finer temporal resolution than pre-edge scans allow (Shortle et al., 2015; Cottrell et al., 2018; Moussallam et al., 2019; Gaborieau et al., 2020). However, one limitation to such single-energy dwell tests are that other simultaneously changing spectral features cannot be detected. Additionally, one must assume that any changes in spectral background during the measurement duration are negligible.

We conducted a set of dwell tests on an experimental basaltic glass (CAB-47, Weaver et al., 2011) (Fig. 3A, B) with a high H₂O content (5.5 wt%) and a high proportion of Fe²⁺ (~0.13 Fe³⁺/ΣFe). Sample CAB-47 shows larger degrees of beam-induced iron oxidation compared to the natural glasses studied here, likely due to its combined high H₂O and Fe²⁺ contents (Cottrell et al., 2018). The calculated beam damage susceptibility index (Φ , where $\Phi = XHO_{0.5} * XFeO/XFeO_{1.5}$), as described in

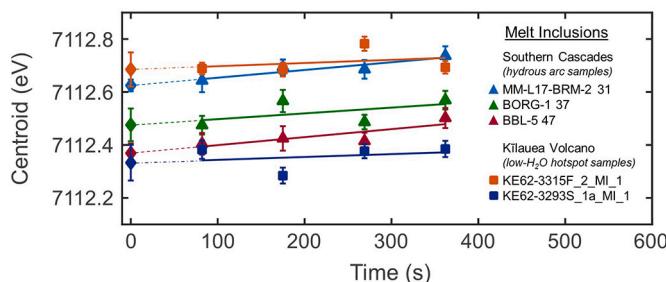


Fig. 4. Fe-K α pre-edge centroid positions calculated from repeated rapid scans of MI from the southern Cascades (triangles) and from Kilauea Volcano (squares). Symbols are the centroid values calculated from individual pre-edge scans and error bars represent ± 1 SE for each centroid fit. Lines are linear regressions through centroid values from 82 to 362 s. Diamonds at $t = 0$ s are the intercept of each regression (dashed lines), taken to be the beam damage-corrected centroid positions. Error bars on diamonds represent ± 1 SE of the time series linear regression. Analyses used a $10 \times 10 \mu\text{m}$ spot size, which resulted in photon flux densities of 3.5×10^7 photons/s/ μm^2 . All centroids have been shifted by +0.32 eV for consistency with the LW_0 centroid position reported by Cottrell et al. (2009). Hydrous MI from the southern Cascades underwent progressive photo-oxidation, whereas less damage-susceptible MI from Kilauea Volcano remained stable.

Cottrell et al. (2018), is 1.6 for CAB-47 compared to Φ of 0.1–0.7 for the various natural MI investigated in this study (Fig. 5, Table 1). We therefore use this highly beam damage-susceptible experimental glass to evaluate models for correcting changing iron valence during Fe-XANES analysis.

To evaluate if time series of repeated rapid pre-edge scans (82 s durations, described above) are sufficiently fast to capture photo-oxidation in CAB-47, we compared the pre-edge rapid scan time series to the 2nd pre-edge doublet dwell tests in the same glass (Fig. 3, Fig. A.1). It is assumed that the rate of change of the 2nd pre-edge doublet intensity scales with the change in centroid value during time series analyses (Cottrell et al., 2018; Moussallam et al., 2019). Dwell tests of the 2nd pre-edge doublet of CAB-47 with a photon flux density of $\sim 1.4 \times 10^8$ photons/s/ μm^2 (analyzed with a $5 \times 5 \mu\text{m}$ spot size) show that substantial photo-oxidation occurs in the first minute of analysis, with $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ increasing from 0.13 to 0.19. Under these high photon flux densities, photo-oxidation progresses non-linearly (Cottrell et al., 2018; Moussallam et al., 2019; Fig. 3, Fig. A.1). The time series of repeated rapid pre-edge scans cannot capture this non-linear behavior that occurs in the initial 10s of seconds of analysis, and therefore cannot adequately characterize photo-oxidation at such high photon flux densities (Fig. 3A).

C). However, by decreasing the photon flux density to $\sim 4.3 \times 10^7$ photons/s/ μm^2 (using a $10 \times 10 \mu\text{m}$ spot size), dwell tests of CAB-47 show that photo-oxidation progresses slowly enough that changes to both the 2nd pre-edge doublet intensity and centroid values can be adequately approximated by fitting a linear function to repeated rapid pre-edge scans (Fig. 3B, D). Although photo-oxidation may remain non-linear in the initial minute of analysis even at this lower photon dose, the linear fit approximates the data within typical measurement uncertainty and is thus a reasonable approximation. The progression of photo-oxidation becomes more linear with further decreased photon flux densities (Fig. A.1).

The same dwell tests were conducted using similar photon densities on another experimental hydrous basaltic glass (CAB-33, 7.2 wt% H₂O, $\Phi = 1.8$; Weaver et al., 2011) and on a moderately hydrous natural obsidian pyroclast from Mono-Inyo Craters (CA, USA) (P2-F, ~ 2.2 wt% H₂O; Barnes et al., 2014; Watkins et al., 2017; Table 1). Observed changes to the 2nd pre-edge doublet intensity in these glasses were similar to those measured in CAB-47 (Fig. A.1), suggesting that the time series correction approach can be applied across a range of basalt to rhyolite glass compositions, including hydrous samples that are highly susceptible to photo-oxidation.

2.2. Applying the Fe-XANES beam damage correction technique to natural melt inclusions

Because glass CAB-47 is more susceptible to beam damage than most MI and matrix glasses, changes to Fe-K pre-edge centroids in most natural samples analyzed under the same conditions ($\sim 3.0 \times 10^7$ photons/s/ μm^2) can also be approximated with a linear function. Hydrous basaltic MI from the southern Cascades arc (0.3–3.7 wt% H₂O, $\Phi = 0.1$ –0.7) show consistent increases in pre-edge centroid values over the course of several repeated rapid scans, indicating progressive photo-oxidation (Fig. 4, Table 1). In contrast, basaltic MI from Kilauea Volcano (HI, USA) do not show time-dependent changes to pre-edge centroid values, as expected based on their low H₂O contents and low beam damage susceptibilities (0.1–0.3 wt% H₂O, $\Phi \leq 0.1$) (Fig. 4, Table 1). The slopes of linear regressions to pre-edge centroid time series (i.e., the rate of photo-oxidation) are inversely correlated with calculated initial $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ and are positively correlated with H₂O contents of glasses (Fig. 5, Fig. A.2). These observations are consistent with beam damage occurring more readily in reduced and/or hydrous glasses (Blundy et al., 2020; Cottrell et al., 2018).

To apply time series corrections in beam damage-susceptible samples, linear regressions using 4 rapid pre-edge scans are generally sufficient to correct to initial ($t = 0$ s) centroid positions. However, using up

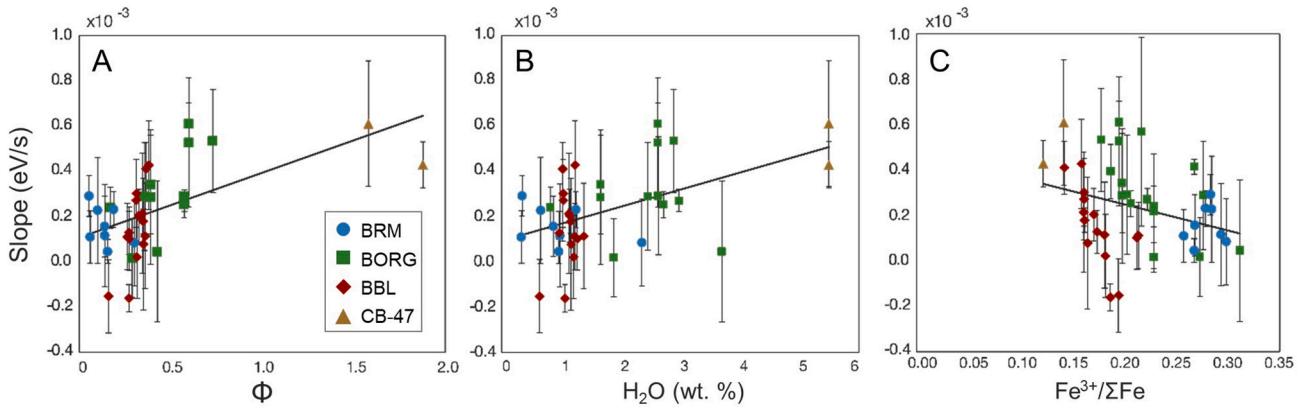


Fig. 5. Slopes of linear regressions through Fe-K pre-edge centroid value time series for individual glasses plotted as a function of (A) beam damage susceptibility index ($\Phi = \text{XHO}_{0.5} \times \text{XFeO}/\text{FeO}_{1.5}$) as defined in Cottrell et al. (2018), (B) H₂O content, and (C) initial $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$. Melt inclusions from southern Cascades cinder cones (BORG, BRM, BBL) and experimental glass analyses (CAB-47) are grouped by color. Gray lines are linear regressions through analysis spots from all natural and experimental samples.

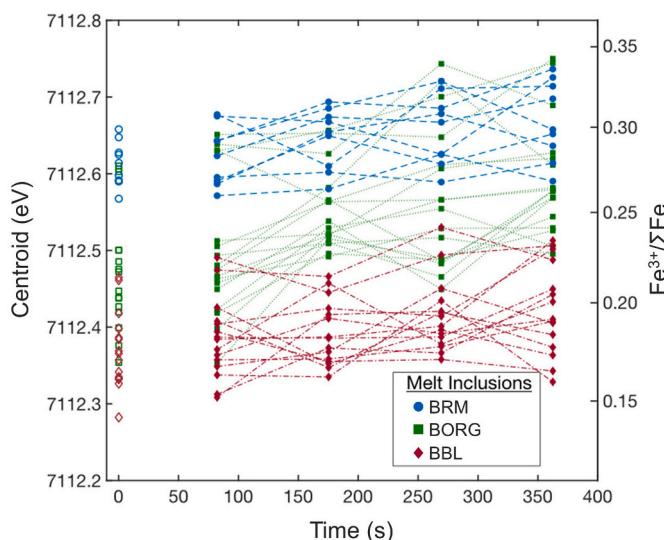


Fig. 6. Fe- $\text{K}\alpha$ pre-edge centroid positions through time calculated from repeated pre-edge scans for individual southern Cascades MI. Dashed lines connect centroids calculated from four consecutive rapid scans of the same analysis spot, and open symbols at $t = 0$ s are the corrected initial centroids. Centroid time series measurements are plotted at the end time of each scan. Right vertical axis is the calculated $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ from centroid values using the calibration of Zhang et al. (2018). All centroids have been shifted by $+0.32$ eV for consistency with the LW_0 centroid position reported by Cottrell et al. (2009).

to 6 pre-edge scans can provide an improved regression fit, as increased scans minimize the leverage of anomalously noisy analyses in the regression (Fig. 3D). Uncertainties in restored initial centroid positions were assessed by *A*) calculating the standard error of regression for each time series and by *B*) calculating the standard deviation of time series linear fits using a Monte Carlo method that incorporates the standard error of each individual centroid fit (Browaeys, 2021). For the analytical conditions used in this study, these two approaches yield similar uncertainty estimates for the $t = 0$ s centroid positions (Fig. A.3). Weighting the linear regressions by the inverse of the squared standard deviation of each measurement's uncertainty also yields similar linear fits and standard error estimates for $t = 0$ s centroid values. In time series with substantial scatter in centroid positions, the standard error of linear regressions is generally larger than the Monte Carlo-derived uncertainty estimates (Fig. A.3). We therefore use the standard error of unweighted linear regressions to estimate uncertainties in the restored $t = 0$ s centroid positions, as this is the simplest and generally most conservative approach.

For hydrous basaltic MI from the southern Cascades, the average 1 standard error of regression for corrected $t = 0$ s centroid values is ± 0.04 eV, or $\pm 0.02 \text{ Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ when propagated through the calibration of Zhang et al. (2018) (note that curvature of the calibration function increases $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ uncertainties in more oxidized glasses). This uncertainty is only slightly larger than the average standard error of centroid value fits of our higher resolution full length scans (± 0.03 eV; $\pm 0.01 \text{ Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$), and is much smaller than the ~ 0.15 variation in $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ measured in basaltic arc MI globally (Kelley and Cottrell, 2009; Brounce et al., 2014; Muth and Wallace, 2021). Regressions on replicate analyses within the same MI yield corrected $t = 0$ s centroid positions that are within error of each other (Fig. A.4), indicating that this beam damage correction approach is reasonably accurate.

2.3. Discussion and summary

Although the time-dependent beam damage correction approach introduces some imprecision, it ensures that data sets are not

systematically biased to higher calculated $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ values due to uncorrected photo-oxidation. In analyses of basaltic MI from the southern Cascades (measured with photon flux densities of $1\text{--}5 \times 10^7$ photons/ $\mu\text{m}^2\text{s}^2$), the difference between corrected and uncorrected centroid positions is large (Fig. 6). On average, Fe- K pre-edge centroid values measured after 362 s of analysis are 0.09 eV higher than $t = 0$ s corrected centroid values. This means that despite measures taken to lower the photon flux, had we analyzed these hydrous MI with more typical 10 min duration scans (where the pre-edge region is measured within the first ~ 6 min) our analyses would have overestimated melt $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ by ~ 0.036 . This would correspond to overestimating the $f\text{O}_2$ by 0.5 log units for a basalt at 1150 °C and 400 MPa, according to the model of Kress and Carmichael (1991).

In summary, photo-oxidation during Fe-XANES measurements can cause large systematic biases toward higher calculated $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ in beam-sensitive glasses, which can significantly affect geologic interpretations of redox conditions (Cottrell et al., 2018; Moussallam et al., 2019). Taking measures to mitigate beam damage through reduced X-ray flux density (where possible) and/or by applying analysis-specific time-dependent corrections described here is critical for accurate interpretation of Fe-XANES measurements in beam-sensitive glasses, such as hydrous arc basalts. We present a time-dependent correction method and set of analysis conditions that should enable beam damage identification and correction in most natural silicate glasses at even relatively high photon flux densities ($10^7\text{--}10^8$ photons/s/ μm^2). However, photo-oxidation during analysis is a function of glass composition (including H_2O content and initial $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$), photon flux density, and duration of analysis, and therefore depends on the specific sample and beamline properties. Best practices during Fe-XANES analysis of glasses should include explicitly testing (via 2nd pre-edge multiplet dwell tests) whether repeated rapid pre-edge scans sufficiently correct photo-oxidation for the particular beamline conditions and sample compositions being analyzed.

3. Identifying and correcting S-XANES beam damage

S-XANES measurements use lower X-ray energies than Fe-XANES (~ 2480 eV vs ~ 7110 eV, respectively) and therefore have smaller absorption lengths than Fe-XANES measurements. At S-XANES energies, 95% of X-ray energy is absorbed within the upper ~ 15 μm of glass (Wilke et al., 2011) (Fig. 1A). The MI analyzed here are thicker than 15 μm so that doubly intersecting the inclusions was not necessary for S-XANES analyses. Additionally, most host minerals contain negligible sulfur compared to MI (Callegaro et al., 2020) so that beam overlap of the host mineral is less of a concern than for Fe-XANES analyses, where iron signal contribution from the host phase can be significant. Consequently, larger X-ray analysis footprints can generally be used for S-XANES, which reduces X-ray dose and thereby ameliorates some of the beam damage potential. However, when analyzing sulfur-poor MI ($<\sim 400$ ppm S), even slight contributions from the host phase might be significant relative to the low-sulfur glass signal, and beam overlap of the host phase should be avoided. Additionally, cracks and surface contaminants (e.g., oils) may be present on prepared surfaces, both of which can contain undesired sulfur-bearing material (Brounce et al., 2019). Consequently, smaller beam footprints for S-XANES remain more versatile for analyzing MI (particularly low-sulfur samples) because of the ability to avoid contamination from host minerals or surface aberrations.

Sulfur in silicate melts occurs as S^{2-} (sulfide complexes) or S^{6+} (sulfate complexes; $\text{S}^{(\text{VI}+)}\text{O}_4^{2-}$) but does not naturally occur as S^{4+} (sulfite complexes; $\text{S}^{(\text{IV}+)}\text{O}_3^{2-}$) at the limit of detection by XANES (Backnaes et al., 2008; Wilke et al., 2008, 2011). The main absorption peak of S^{2-} complexes in glasses occurs over a broad energy range centered at ~ 2476 eV, and the narrower absorption peak of S^{6+} complexes occurs at ~ 2482 eV (Li et al., 1995; Paris et al., 2001; Bonnin-Mosbah et al., 2002; Wilke et al., 2008; Métrich et al., 2009; Jugo et al.,

2010). In Fe-bearing natural glasses, S-XANES beam damage typically manifests as the photo-reduction of S^{6+} to S^{4+} (Wilke et al., 2008). The absorption peak of sulfite occurs at ~ 2477.5 eV (note that the rapid oxidation of sulfite at the surface causes a sulfate peak to also be present in the spectra of most sulfite reference materials) (Métrich et al., 2002, 2009; Bonnin-Mosbah et al., 2002; Fleet et al., 2005; Wilke et al., 2008; Jugo et al., 2010). This 2477.5 eV sulfite peak is a unique spectral signal to recognize S^{4+} speciation and thereby can be used to identify measurements that have undergone photo-reduction (Wilke et al., 2008; Métrich et al., 2009; Moussallam et al., 2014). Beam damage is therefore more easily detected in S-XANES than in Fe-XANES, and time-dependent corrections to $t = 0$ s are not necessary because all observed S^{4+} is generally attributable to beam-induced reduction of sulfur. Photo-reduction of S^{6+} has also been observed during EPMA S- $K\alpha$ wavelength scans (Wilke et al., 2008). However, photo-oxidation of S^{2-} to S^{4+} or to S^{6+} has been documented by other EPMA studies (Wallace and Carmichael, 1994; Rowe et al., 2007) and during extremely long duration XANES measurements (20–80 min) of highly alkalic glasses from Mt. Erebus (Antarctica) (Moussallam et al., 2014). The predominance of sulfur photo-reduction during XANES analyses of natural glasses suggests that different mechanisms of sulfur beam damage may occur under electron bombardment compared to X-ray irradiation, and potentially also during X-ray irradiation of certain alkali-rich glasses (Hughes et al., 2020).

The parameters influencing S^{6+} to S^{4+} photo-reduction in silicate glasses during S-XANES irradiation are imprecisely known. In contrast to Fe-XANES beam damage (Cottrell et al., 2018), H_2O content does not appear to be a critical control on S-XANES beam damage (see below), and the compositional dependence of S-XANES beam damage susceptibility has not been thoroughly examined. Consequently, it is difficult to currently predict whether any particular sample will be susceptible to S-XANES beam damage. Therefore, as with Fe-XANES beam damage, it is important to be able to account for S-XANES beam damage in each individual measurement rather than applying generalized corrections to an entire sample suite.

Our approach for managing and correcting S-XANES beam damage is similar to that for reducing Fe-XANES beam damage, namely minimizing pre-analysis X-ray irradiation, decreasing photon dose as much as possible while maintaining sufficient signal, and using repeat rapid scans to observe beam-induced changes in sulfur speciation. Where S-XANES photo-reduction is observed, we correct affected spectra by calculating the peak area of the beam damage-induced S^{4+} signal and restoring this to original S^{6+} intensity via a calibrated conversion factor (details below).

3.1. S-XANES analytical conditions

S-XANES measurements at APS GSECARS beamline 13-ID-E were conducted in fluorescence mode and within a He-environment to minimize atmospheric absorption of the X-ray fluorescent signal. Incident beam flux ranged from $\sim 1-50 \times 10^9$ photons/s for S-XANES analyses, which was purposely lowered from the maximum possible flux to reduce rates of beam damage. Repeat measurements of sulfate within Scotch® tape during four analytical sessions between 2017 and 2020 indicate a consistent S^{6+} peak position of 2481.8 eV. The sulfate peak position in crystalline hauyne measured by Jugo et al. (2010) at the European Synchrotron Radiation Facility's beamline ID21 is $+1$ eV relative to sulfate measurements at APS beamline 13-ID-E, due to differences in monochromator calibration (Head et al., 2018). Thus, all the Jugo et al. (2010) values presented in figures and data tables have been shifted by -1 eV for consistency with the APS measurements.

As with our Fe-XANES beam damage correction approach, we conducted repeat rapid scans to identify S-XANES beam damage and, if necessary, applied sample-specific corrections. Sulfur K -edge spectra were collected by scanning the incident beam from 2437 to 2467 eV in 2.5 eV steps, from 2467 to 2487 eV in 0.1 eV steps, and from 2487 to

2622 eV in 1.5 eV steps. Short analysis times of either 0.5 or 1.0 s per step bin were used (continuous steps rather than discrete) for rapid scans with total durations of 154 or 308 s, respectively. Three repeat scans were typically conducted for each analysis spot, with cumulative measurement times of $\sim 8-15$ min per location. If S^{4+} peak growth was identified during successive scans, only the first scan was used to quantify sulfur speciation, as this scan would have undergone the least S^{6+} to S^{4+} photo-reductive beam damage. If no S^{4+} peak ingrowth was observed, the repeat scans were merged to improve signal quality.

In beam-damaged samples, S^{6+} to S^{4+} photo-reduction can be corrected by restoring the S^{4+} 2477.5 eV peak intensity back to a S^{6+} signal. This correction requires knowing an appropriate scaling factor to restore S^{4+} signal intensity to the original S^{6+} intensity. Konecke et al. (2017) and Nash et al. (2019) apply S-XANES beam damage corrections by assuming a 1:1 intensity scaling between S^{4+} and S^{6+} peaks. However, in the absence of direct evidence, the accuracy of this assumed 1:1 scaling relationship of fluorescent energy outputs is uncertain. To determine how the loss of S^{6+} intensity relates to the growth of S^{4+} , and therefore how to calculate an appropriate signal intensity scaling factor between these peak intensities, we conducted a series of measurements on a hydrous, sulfur-rich experimental basaltic glasses from Chowdhury and Dasgupta (2019) that contain sulfur exclusively as sulfate (Table 1). The large area of this experimental glass allowed a series of measurements with multiple spot sizes (2×2 , 10×10 , 20×20 , and 50×50 μm) to observe varying degrees of beam damage under photon densities ranging from 6.9×10^6 to 1.1×10^{10} photons/s/ μm^2 . The sulfate-only initial composition of this oxidized glass made the identification of S^{4+} peak ingrowth obvious. With repeat measurements, we are able to track the ingrowth of the S^{4+} 2477.5 eV peak (hereafter the “ S^{4+} peak”) at the expense of the S^{6+} peak. We can thereby quantify how the S^{4+} peak intensity relates to the loss of S^{6+} intensity, and how consistent the S^{4+} to S^{6+} intensity scaling relationship is with increasing degrees of beam damage.

3.2. Quantifying S-XANES spectra via peak fitting

Determining the relationship between S^{4+} signal growth and S^{6+} signal loss during S-XANES beam damage requires a consistent peak fitting method to quantify the absorption intensities. Peak fitting approaches to S-XANES spectra have been employed by other researchers (Manceau and Nagy, 2012; Konecke et al., 2017; Nash et al., 2019), but have not been described or calibrated in silicate glasses at the level of detail required to be fully reproducible. We therefore establish a new peak fitting calibration based on the dataset used by Jugo et al. (2010) to originally define a calibration relating S-XANES signal intensities to sulfur speciation. S-XANES spectra of silicate glasses are produced by a mixture of X-ray photon absorptions by S^{2-} , S^{4+} , and S^{6+} species, and by S^{1-} and S^{2-} sulfide complexes (Paris et al., 2001; Fleet et al., 2005; Métrich et al., 2009). Jugo et al. (2010) empirically determined a relationship of S^{2-} and S^{6+} X-ray absorption intensities to sulfur speciation using a set of experimental glasses by integrating all signal within energy ranges relating to S^{2-} and S^{6+} peaks (2474.7–2479 eV and 2480.5–2483 eV, respectively; Jugo et al., 2010 ranges have been shifted by -1 eV). However, the S^{4+} absorption peak occurs within the broad S^{2-} energy range. Consequently, the Jugo et al. (2010) approach would inappropriately count photo-reduction-induced S^{4+} signal intensity as S^{2-} intensity. Our peak fitting approach differentiates S^{2-} , S^{4+} , and S^{6+} absorption intensities, enabling us to quantify beam damage by isolating the S^{4+} peak from the S^{2-} peak. We can then restore the S^{4+} photo-reduction signal to the original S^{6+} intensity to calculate the initial sulfur speciation of the glass.

Our S-XANES peak fitting method again uses the spectral fitting program XAS viewer (Newville, 2013) to correct for instrument dead-time and fit the S-XANES data. Measured spectra were first normalized to the Si- $K\alpha$ signal intensity, to avoid irregularities in incident beam intensity due to possible contaminants within the beamline optics.

Following the approach of [Jugo et al. \(2010\)](#) and [Anzures et al. \(2020\)](#), we then normalize each spectrum so that the energy range containing pre-edge features begins at zero intensity (~ 2467 eV) and the post-edge signal intensity is 1 (> 2510 eV). This is done by defining a linear relation in the low energy range (~ 2441 – 2467 eV), and flattening the high energy range (~ 2525 – 2611 eV) to scale the spectra to between 0 and 1 ([Ravel and Newville, 2005](#); [Anzures et al., 2020](#)). These energy ranges for normalization are guidelines that should be slightly modified as necessary if anomalous data points are present for particular scans. However, sulfide X-ray absorption begins at energies just above 2467 eV, so the pre-edge normalization range should be kept below this energy. The normalized post-edge spectrum is fit using an error function and a broad Gaussian, which together define the background. The center point of the error function is fixed and the width of the high-energy Gaussian is constrained to maintain a consistent background fitting approach for all spectra (Table 2).

Assessing S-XANES spectra of >100 reduced and oxidized glass analyses across a compositional range from basaltic to rhyolitic (Table 1; [Data supplement](#)), we identify the energy ranges of five peaks within the S- $K\alpha$ absorption region. We distinguish four absorption peak ranges that have been recognized as corresponding to sulfide complexes, and S^{2-} , S^{4+} , and S^{6+} species ([Wilke et al., 2008, 2011](#); [Métrich et al., 2009](#); [Jugo et al., 2010](#); [Head et al., 2018](#)) (Table 2). We additionally identify an absorption peak between 2483.5 and 2486 eV, which is slightly higher energy than the main S^{6+} peak. This 2483.5–2486 eV energy peak was similarly identified by [Konecke et al. \(2017\)](#), who refer to it as the sulfur “ionization peak”, a term we adopt here. The sulfur-ionization peak intensity seems partially correlated to S^{6+} intensity, but is also present in S^{2-} -dominated spectra. After normalizing the spectra, we simultaneously fit the background with an error function and Gaussian and fit five separate Gaussian functions for each of the sulfur absorption features (Fig. 7, Fig. A.6). Table 2 provides the energy ranges and peak width tolerances for fitting each spectral feature. These fitting ranges have been established to provide flexibility in fitting slight differences in peak energies occurring across a range of compositions and oxidation states, while maintaining peak positions that accurately correspond to

Table 2

Peak definitions and fit parameters used for quantification of normalized S-XANES spectra intensities using the XAS Viewer spectral fitting program ([Newville, 2013](#)). See [Data supplement](#) for example peak fit models.

S-XANES feature	Function type/name	Peak center bounds (eV)	Peak sigma bounds (width)	Peak amplitude bounds
<u>Overall fit ranges</u>				
Peak fit range	–	2455–2550	–	–
Pre-edge fit range	–	2466–2487	–	–
<u>Background fitting</u>				
Baseline error function	error1	2485 (fixed)	8 (fixed)	0–1.1
Baseline Gaussian	gauss1	2493–2500	0–10	0–15
<u>Sulfur speciation peaks</u>				
Sulfide complexes	gauss2	2465–2470	0–1	0– ∞
S^{2-} (sulfide in glass)	gauss3	2475.3–2477	2–4	0– ∞
S^{4+} (sulfite)	gauss4	2476.8–2477.7	0.1–1	0– ∞
S^{6+} (sulfate)	gauss5	2480–2482.3	0.1–3	0– ∞
Sulfur ionization peak	gauss6	2483.5–2486	0–4	0– ∞

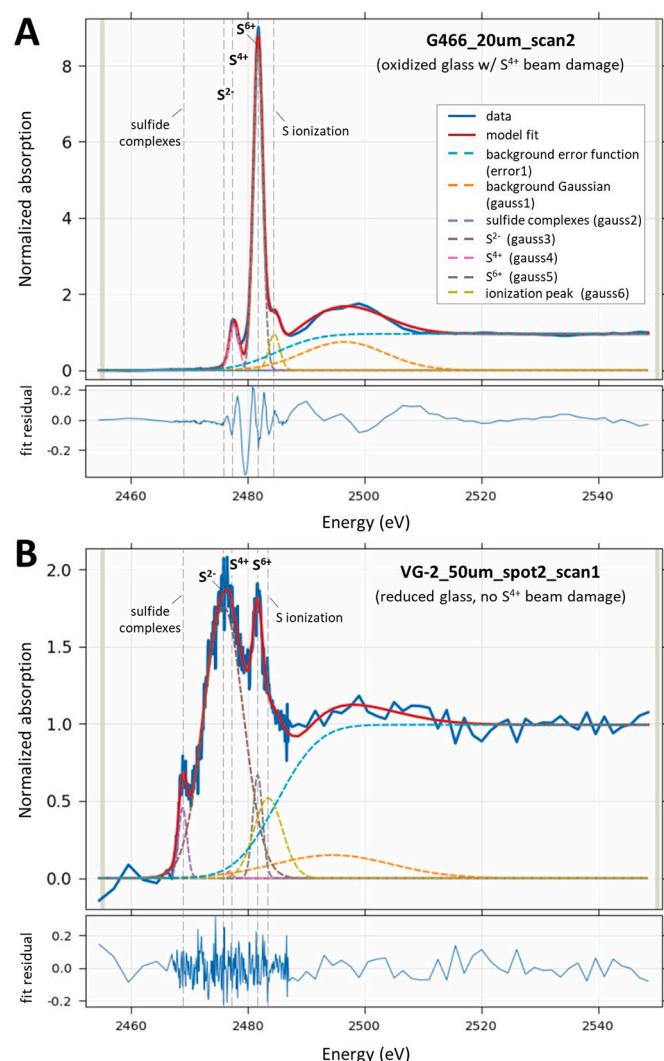


Fig. 7. (A) Example S-XANES peak fitting of oxidized experimental glass G466. This spectrum is the 2nd of 3 repeat scans with a $20 \times 20 \mu\text{m}$ beam (photon flux density of 1.1×10^8 photons/s/ μm^2) and shows a dominant S^{6+} peak (2480–2482.3 eV) and a substantial beam damage-induced S^{4+} peak (2476.8–2477.7 eV). No S^{2-} intensity is observed. The fit residual shows slight remaining unfit structure. (B) Example S-XANES peak fitting of reduced VG-2 MORB glass analyzed using a $50 \times 50 \mu\text{m}$ beam (photon flux density of 6.2×10^6 photons/s/ μm^2). The noisier spectrum is due to lower sulfur content in VG-2 than in G466, as well as a difference in vertical scale. A main glassy S^{2-} peak (2475.3–2477 eV) is present, as well as a lesser S^{6+} peak and a minor sulfide peak (2465–2470 eV). Minimal S^{4+} beam damage ingrowth is observed with this diffuse beam analysis (compare to Fig. 9). A sulfur-ionization peak (2483.5–2486 eV) is present in S-XANES spectra of the both oxidized and reduced glasses. See Table 2 for identification of peaks and fit parameters. Reference peak position lines may vary slightly between samples depending on bond coordination environments.

the specific sulfur features (important for overlapping features such as the S^{2-} and S^{4+} peaks, and the S^{6+} and sulfur ionization peaks).

To relate the fitted peak areas to sulfur speciation, we calibrate our peak fitting method to experimental hydrous basaltic glasses presented in [Jugo et al. \(2010\)](#). Following the same approach as [Jugo et al. \(2010\)](#), we use their completely S^{2-} -bearing and completely S^{6+} -bearing experimental glasses as reduced and oxidized end-members, and apply linear combination fitting of these end-members to produce representative mixed speciation spectra (Fig. A.5). Complete details are provided in the [Supplementary information](#).

[Jugo et al. \(2010\)](#) focus their S-XANES calibration on only S^{2-} and

S^{6+} peak intensities, and do not include signals from lower energy sulfide-complexes or higher energy features beyond the S^{6+} peak. We follow this approach, and although we fit all spectral features in the calibration glasses, we use only the S^{2-} and S^{6+} peak areas to quantify the sulfur speciation in glasses (Fig. 7, Fig. A.6). Jugo et al. (2010) describe an exponential function to relate S^{2-} and S^{6+} peak intensities to sulfur speciation, however we find that the following empirical polynomial relationship is more appropriate for our peak fitting method (Fig. A.7):

$$S^{6+}/\Sigma S = 0.1733 * (I[S^{6+}]/\Sigma I[S^T])^2 + 0.8343 * (I[S^{6+}]/\Sigma I[S^T]) \quad (1)$$

where $S^{6+}/\Sigma S$ is the fraction of S^{6+} out of total sulfur in the glass, and $I[S^{6+}]/\Sigma I[S^T]$ is the XANES-measured S^{6+} intensity (Gaussian peak area) out of the combined total intensities of the S^{6+} peak and the broad S^{2-} peak ($I[S^{6+}] + I[S^{2-}] = I[S^T]$). This peak fitting approach accurately reproduces observations from additional glasses synthesized by Jugo et al. (2010) across a range of fO_2 and sulfur speciation (Fig. A.8). We therefore conclude that our peak fitting approach is similar to the calibration (and this compatible with the thermodynamic relations) originally described by Jugo et al. (2010), while additionally allowing the quantification of a S^{4+} peak. We note that our method is subject to the same limitations as the Jugo et al. (2010) approach, namely, that the linear end-member mixing approach to calibrate mixed sulfur speciation glasses is valid. Additional uncertainty arises from inconsistencies with

normalizing S-XANES spectra, which can be challenging in sulfur-poor glasses. Unfortunately, raw S-XANES spectra are seldom published, which precludes assessing consistency in normalization approaches between studies. For reproducibility of spectral processing by future workers, it is important that both the raw and the normalized S-XANES data be made available (see Data supplement) (Rose-Koga et al., 2021).

The average precision of our S-XANES peak fitting method, based on multiple analyses in single MI and within regions of mid-ocean ridge basalt (MORB) glasses, is $\pm 7\%$ relative (2 RSE, 19 analyses in glasses ranging from 0.07 to 0.85 $S^{6+}/\Sigma S$; see Data supplement). When considering further uncertainties in the peak fitting calibration and from the non-uniqueness of spectra normalization (particularly in signal-limited samples), we assume the total accuracy of this method to be better than $\pm 10\%$ relative.

3.3. Correcting S-XANES beam damage

By including the S^{4+} peak in our fitting methodology, we can quantitatively separate the beam damage-induced S^{4+} signal from the overlapping broad S^{2-} peak in S-XANES spectra. This was not possible with the Jugo et al. (2010) method because all signal intensity over this region was considered as S^{2-} , which would lead to spurious results in beam-damaged spectra (Figs. 8, 9). During repeat measurements of hydrous, sulfur-rich, oxidized, anhydrite-saturated experimental basaltic glasses G466 and G479 (50–51 wt% SiO_2 , 9000–15,000 ppm S,

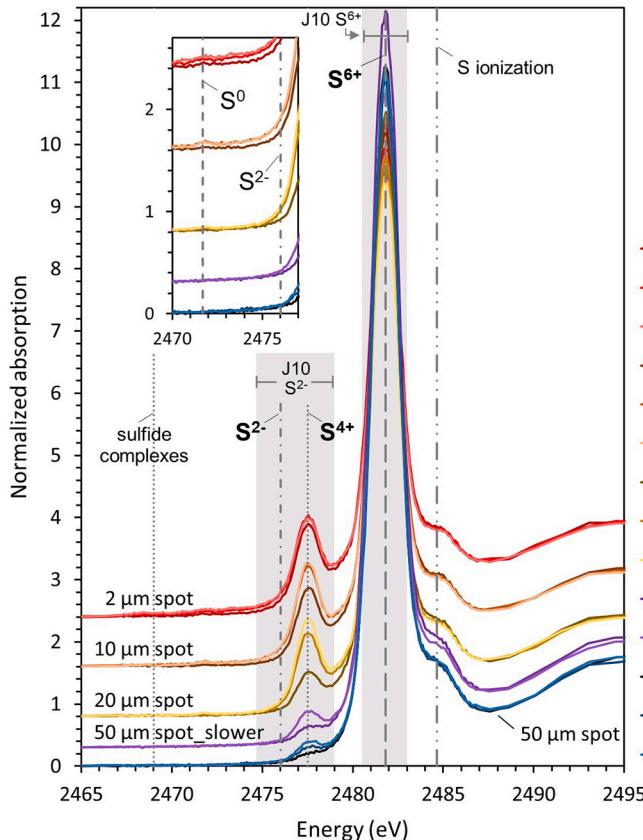


Fig. 8. Normalized spectra of oxidized, anhydrite-saturated, experimental glass G466 with repeat measurements in different locations with progressively greater photon flux densities (6.2×10^6 , 4.3×10^6 , 1.1×10^8 , 4.2×10^8 , and 1.1×10^{10} photons/s/ μm^2 for the 50 μm , 50 μm _slower, 20 μm , 10 μm , and 2 μm scans, respectively). Spectra have been vertically shifted for clarity. The ingrowth of S^{4+} (2476.8–2477.7 eV) at the expense of S^{6+} (2480–2482.3 eV) is seen in repeat measurements at all spot sizes, and is increasingly pronounced with more focused beams. S^{4+} ingrowth stops after reaching a maximum intensity during the first focused $2 \times 2 \mu m$ spot analysis, with no further ingrowth during subsequent analyses. (inset) Detailed view of the 2470–2476 eV region showing the ingrowth of a small peak at ~ 2471.7 eV and a slight absorption increase across 2470–2475 eV in analyses with focused beams. Each individual scan length was 5 min, except for the "G466_50um_slower" scans that were each 10 min. $S^{6+}/\Sigma S$ calculations using the peak fitting approach and correcting for S^{4+} photo-reduction are compared with $S^{6+}/\Sigma S$ calculated using the Jugo et al. (2010) method ("J10" gray S^{2-} and S^{6+} regions [energy shifted as discussed]), where the S^{4+} photo-reduction peak would be counted as part of the S^{2-} signal. Reference peak position lines may vary slightly between samples.

G466 synthetic basalt (hydrous, oxidized, sulfur-rich)

	$S^{6+}/\Sigma S$	
Peak fitting with S^{4+} correction	Jugo et al. 2010 method	
G466_2μm_scan1	1.008	0.663
G466_2μm_scan2	1.008	0.613
G466_2μm_scan3	1.008	0.604
G466_10μm_scan1	1.008	0.738
G466_10μm_scan2	1.008	0.641
G466_10μm_scan3	1.008	0.628
G466_20μm_scan1	1.008	0.872
G466_20μm_scan2	1.008	0.732
G466_20μm_scan3	1.008	0.682
G466_50μm_slower_scan1	1.008	0.975
G466_50μm_slower_scan2	1.008	0.907
G466_50μm_scan1	1.008	1.009
G466_50μm_scan2	1.008	0.980
G466_50μm_scan3	1.008	0.965

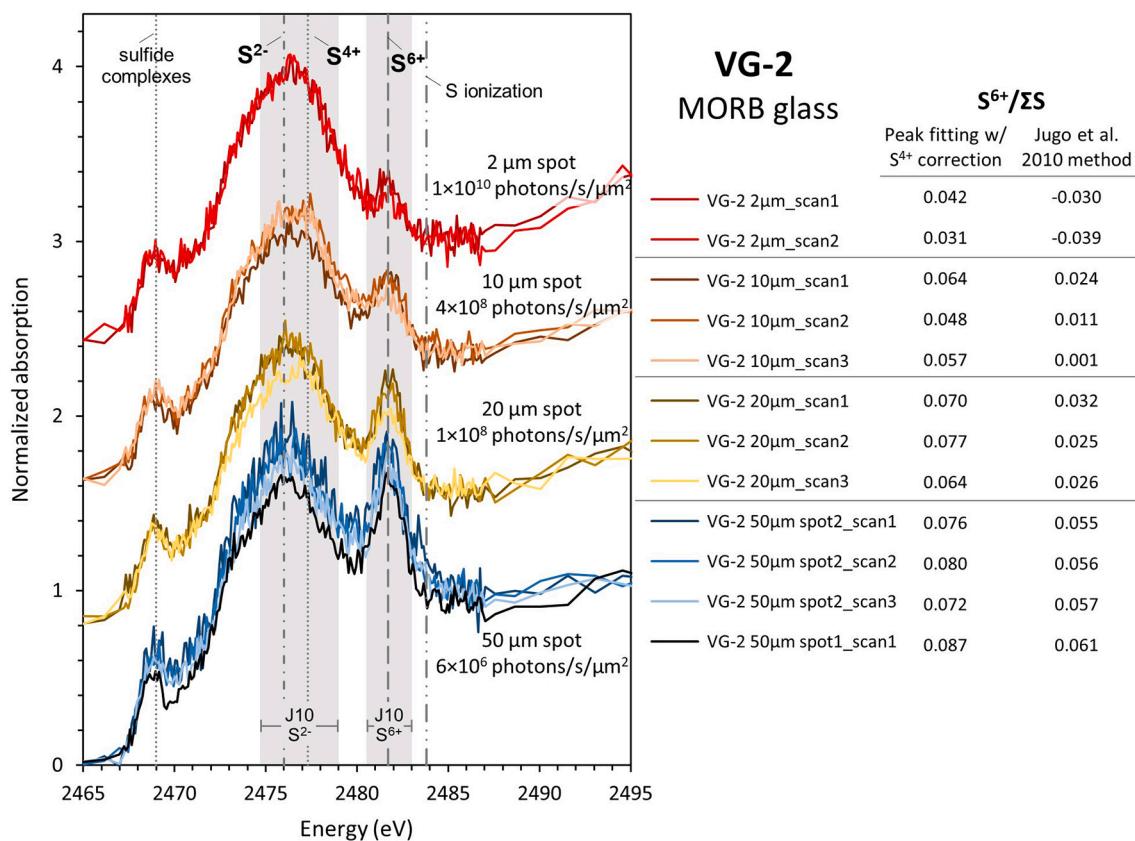


Fig. 9. Normalized S-XANES spectra of MORB glass standard VG-2 with repeat measurements in different locations using progressively greater photon flux densities (6.4×10^6 , 1.1×10^8 , 4.3×10^8 , 1.1×10^{10} photons/s/ μm^2 for the 50 μm , 20 μm , 10 μm , and 2 μm scans, respectively). Spectra have been vertically shifted for clarity. The ingrowth of S^{4+} (2476–2477.7 eV) and loss of S^{6+} (2480.5–2483.3 eV) is increasingly apparent during analysis with more focused beams. Measurements with a fully focused 2 \times 2 μm beam cause the S^{4+} signal to be almost completely lost. Note the difficulty of recognizing the S^{4+} peak against the dominant S^{2-} broad peak at 2472–2480 eV, giving the illusion of beam damage-free spectra. Each individual scan duration was 5 min. $S^{6+}/\Sigma S$ calculations using the peak fitting approach and correcting for S^{4+} photo-reduction are compared with $S^{6+}/\Sigma S$ calculated using the Jugo et al. (2010) method ("J10" gray S^{2-} and S^{6+} regions [energy shifted as discussed]), where the S^{4+} photo-reduction peak would be counted as part of the S^{2-} signal. Reference peak position lines may vary slightly between samples.

6.5–8.9 wt% H_2O , 1300–1325 °C, 1.5–2.0 GPa; Table 1; Chowdhury and Dasgupta, 2019), we observe that progressive irradiation leads to increasing S^{4+} intensity and concomitant decreasing S^{6+} intensity (Fig. 8) (Wilke et al., 2008; Métrich et al., 2009; Konecke et al., 2017). Because these glasses are highly oxidized, they contain no S^{2-} signal to overlap with the S^{4+} peak, which makes observation of the S^{4+} signal straightforward. As expected, increased photon doses with more focused beams cause more rapid S^{6+} to S^{4+} photo-reduction. Comparing the intensity ratio of S^{4+} peak ingrowth and S^{6+} peak loss during progressive beam damage from repeat measurements with photon flux densities ranging from 10^6 to 10^{10} photons/s/ μm^2 , we find that S^{4+} peak ingrowth relates to S^{6+} intensity decrease by a factor of 1.2 ± 0.1 (1 SE; $n = 7$) (see Data supplement). We apply this scaling factor to observed S^{4+} peak intensities in beam damaged samples to restore original S^{6+} peak intensities via:

$$\Sigma I[S^{6+}] = (I[S^{4+}] * F_{S^{4+/6+}}) + I[S^{6+}] \quad (2)$$

where $\Sigma I[S^{6+}]$ is the restored total S^{6+} S-XANES intensity, $I[S^{4+}]$ and $I[S^{6+}]$ are the measured Gaussian peak areas from S-XANES intensities, and $F_{S^{4+/6+}}$ is the S^{4+} to S^{6+} intensity scaling factor (1.2 ± 0.1 ; though this may be compositionally dependent, as discussed below). The ratio of S^{6+} signal intensity to total sulfur intensity is then:

$$I[S^{6+}] / \Sigma I[S^T] = \Sigma I[S^{6+}] / (I[S^{2-}] + \Sigma I[S^{6+}]) \quad (3)$$

Inputting this value into our peak fitting calibration based on the Jugo et al. (2010) glass suite (Eq. (1)) calculates the beam damage-restored sulfur speciation.

In addition to the obvious S^{4+} peak growth during beam damage of G466 and G479 glasses, we observe the ingrowth of a very small peak between 2471.6 and 2472.0 eV (Fig. 8 inset), which is in the energy absorption range attributed to S^0 (Fleet et al., 2005; Métrich et al., 2009) or H_2S (Klimm et al., 2012a). This 2471.6–2472.0 eV peak is recognized during successive analyses using 2 \times 2, 10 \times 10, and 20 \times 20 μm spots (10^6 to 10^8 photons/s/ μm^2), but is a negligible feature compared to the S^{4+} and S^{6+} signals. We also observe a slight absorption increase in the broad energy range between 2470 and 2475 eV, which overlaps the S^{2-} glassy absorption range. These subtle features are not included in our beam damage correction approach, as peak-fitting such low-intensity features was inconsistent and sensitive to slight variations in the spectra normalization routine. However, these additional features of S-XANES beam damage invite future investigation.

3.4. Observations of natural glasses and melt inclusions

We observe rapid photo-reduction of S^{6+} to S^{4+} in numerous natural glasses. Hydrous basaltic MI from the southern Cascades (up to 3.7 wt% H_2O) undergo rapid photo-reduction (Muth and Wallace, 2021), which is consistent with hydrous basalts being highly susceptible to speciation changes during X-ray irradiation (Cottrell et al., 2018; Moussallam et al., 2019). However, we also observe rapid photo-reduction during S-XANES analyses of low- H_2O tholeiitic basaltic glasses that have been observed to be very stable during Fe-XANES analyses (Cottrell et al., 2009; Zhang et al., 2018). For example, repeated rapid S-XANES scans of the MORB glass standard VG-2 (NMNH 111240–52; Juan de Fuca ridge)

show a marked decrease in S^{6+} and ingrowth of S^{4+} during successive analyses (Fig. 9). S-XANES measurements of VG-2 have been presented elsewhere (e.g., Head et al., 2018), but have typically been analyzed with a more focused beam and longer measurement times than used here, which we observe to cause a near complete conversion of S^{6+} to S^{4+} . VG-2 glass is relatively reduced ($0.15 \text{ Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma \text{Fe}$, fayalite-magnetite-quartz buffer [FMQ] +0.0; Zhang et al., 2018) so that the original S^{6+} is low and the photo-reduction-produced S^{4+} peak is correspondingly small. The small S^{4+} peak is therefore difficult to discern from the

dominant S^{2-} peak, which potentially explains why beam damage in VG-2 glass has not been previously recognized. A North Pacific MORB glass analyzed via S-XANES with a defocused beam by Métrich et al. (2009) also had a recognizable small S^{6+} peak, consistent with our observations of VG-2. Applying our peak fitting and S^{4+} to S^{6+} correction approach to the least beam-damaged VG-2 analyses (50 \times 50 μm spot size; $1.1 \times 10^7 \text{ photons/s}/\mu\text{m}^2$ flux density), we estimate that VG-2 MORB glass has $0.079 \pm 0.007 \text{ S}^{6+}/\Sigma \text{S}$ (2 SE, $n = 4$). S-XANES measurements of two additional MORB glasses, JDF-46 N and ALV892-1

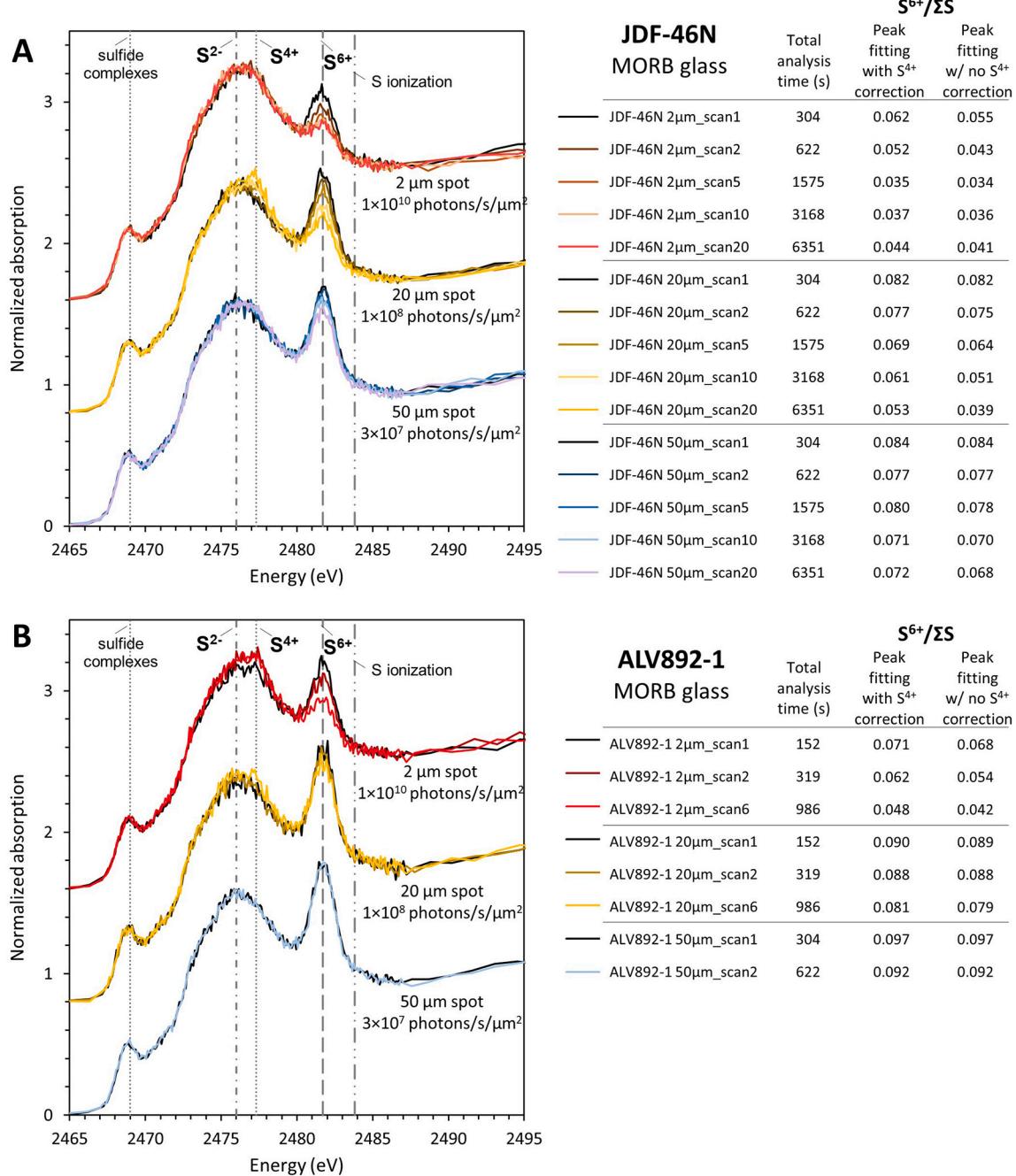


Fig. 10. Normalized S-XANES spectra of MORB glasses JDF-46 N and ALV892-1 with repeat measurements in different locations using progressively greater photon flux densities. Spectra have been vertically shifted for clarity. Spectra shown are examples from long sequences of repeated analyses (20 repeated scans for JDF-46 N; 2–6 repeated scans for ALV892-1). Cumulative irradiation durations are listed on the right, and $S^{6+}/\Sigma \text{S}$ calculations using the peak fitting approach with and without correcting for S^{4+} photo-reduction are compared. As in Fig. 9, the ingrowth of S^{4+} (2476–2477.7 eV) and loss of S^{6+} (2480.5–2483.3 eV) is increasingly apparent during longer analyses and those with more focused beams. Note that S^{4+} corrections do not reproduce the $S^{6+}/\Sigma \text{S}$ observed with low photon density measurements, indicating that challenge of applying beam damage corrections in reduced glasses with overlapping S^{2-} and S^{4+} peak areas. Reference peak position lines may vary slightly between samples.

(Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, Northeast National Ion Microprobe Facility internal standards), at low photon flux densities ($2-3 \times 10^7$ photons/s/ μm^2) give similar S^{6+}/S of 0.081 ± 0.002 and 0.093 ± 0.002 , respectively (2 SE, $n = 4$ for each glass). Tests at higher photon flux densities (10^8-10^{10} photons/s/ μm^2) or with long analysis durations (>6 min) show that JDF-46 N and ALV892-1 also undergo rapid S^{6+} to S^{4+} photo-reduction (Fig. 10), indicating a common susceptibility for X-ray-induced photo-reduction among low- H_2O MORB samples.

The measured $0.08-0.09$ S^{6+}/S in these three MORB samples are similar to the upper end of the $0.03-0.07$ S^{6+}/S range measured in MORB glasses via EPMA $\text{S-K}\alpha$ wavelength shift (Wallace and Carmichael, 1994) (although the EPMA-measured samples may have suffered from electron beam-induced photo-oxidation [Jugo et al., 2010]). These

measurements are all elevated compared to the $0.00-0.02$ S^{6+}/S measured by S-XANES in four MORB glass samples by Jugo et al. (2010). Based on global MORB average $f\text{O}_2$ estimates of $\text{FMQ} -0.17 \pm 0.15$ (0.014 ± 0.01 Fe^{3+}/Fe) by Cottrell et al. (2020) or $\text{FMQ} +0.1$ by Berry et al. (2018), the Jugo et al. (2010) relationship of S^{6+} to $f\text{O}_2$ predicts that MORB glasses should contain almost exclusively sulfide (≤ 0.01 S^{6+}/S). However, our observations indicate that MORB glasses are not universally sulfate-free and, at least in the three localities analyzed here, contain low but resolvable S^{6+} (up to 0.09 S^{6+}/S).

We also observe S^{6+} to S^{4+} photo-reduction during S-XANES analyses of low- H_2O basaltic MI samples from the 2018 lower East Rift Zone (LERZ) fissure eruption of Kilauea Volcano, HI (≤ 0.3 wt% H_2O [Lerner et al., 2021]). Depending on the degree of atmospheric interaction prior

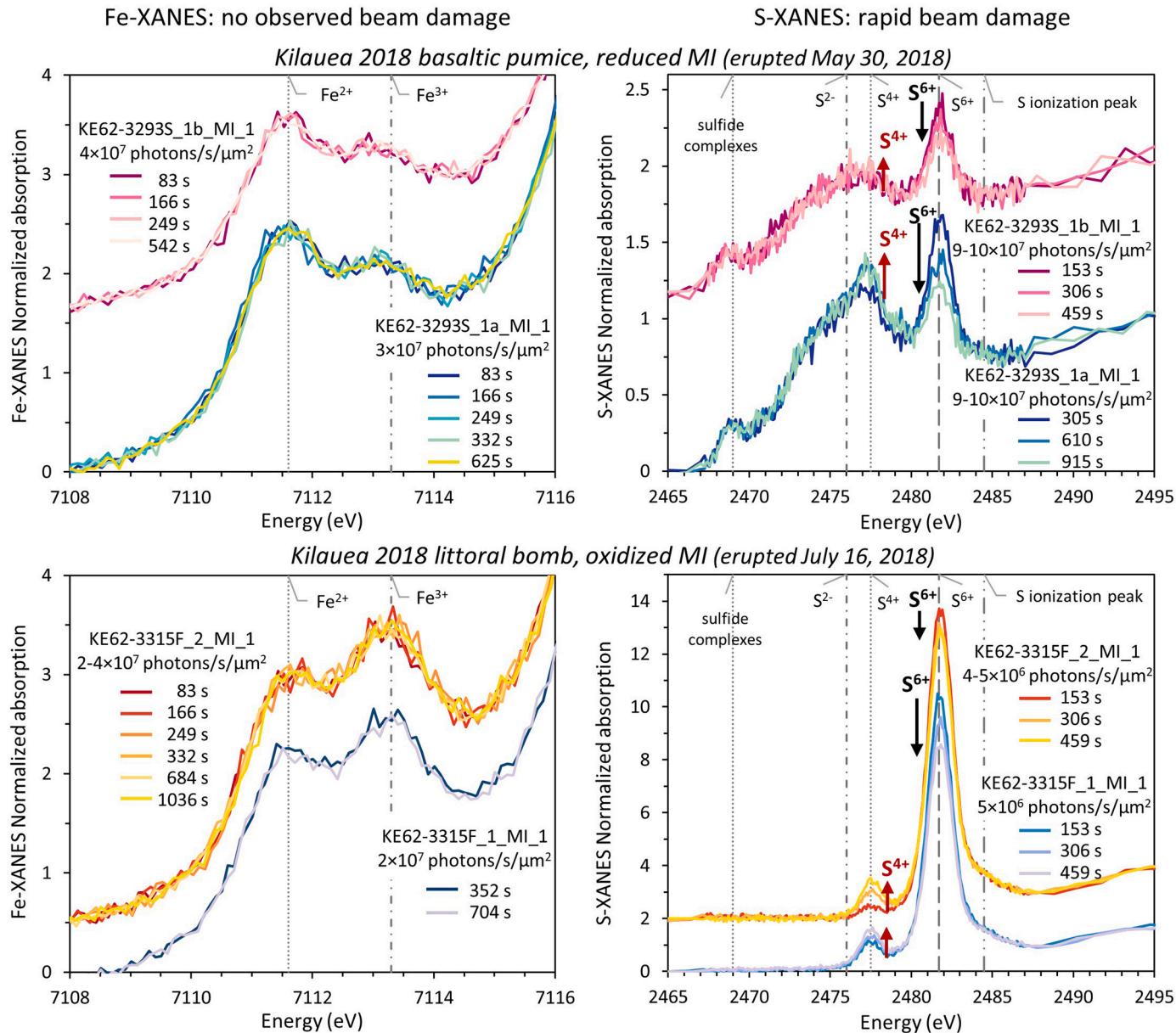


Fig. 11. Four MI from the Kilauea 2018 LERZ eruption were analyzed by both Fe-XANES (left) and S-XANES (right), and exhibit differing susceptibilities to Fe- and S-XANES-induced beam damage. Analyses were conducted in different locations within the same MI using repeated rapid analyses for each technique, as described in the text. The cumulative ending time in seconds (s) for successive scans are shown. Melt inclusions in both reduced, rapidly quenched basaltic pumice (KE62-3293S, top) and oxidized littoral bomb samples (KE62-3315F, bottom) exhibit no Fe^{2+} to Fe^{3+} photo-oxidation during repeat measurements, but the same MI undergo rapid S^{6+} to S^{4+} photo-reduction during S-XANES analyses. All MI contain ≤ 0.3 wt% H_2O and have $\Phi < 0.1$. Spot sizes were $10 \times 10 \mu\text{m}$ for Fe-XANES and 10×10 or $20 \times 20 \mu\text{m}$ for S-XANES resulting in photon flux densities of $2-4 \times 10^7$ and $4-10 \times 10^7$ photons/s/ μm^2 for Fe- and S-XANES measurements, respectively. Vertical lines are approximate reference peak positions, which may vary slightly between samples.

to quenching, the Kilauea olivine-hosted MI range from reduced to highly oxidized (FMQ –0.7 to +2.4; Lerner, 2020). S-XANES beam damage occurs in Kilauea MI throughout this wide range of oxidation states (Fig. 11). The S^{4+} to S^{6+} photo-reduction during X-ray irradiation in Kilauea MI and in MORB glasses is particularly interesting because these low- H_2O ocean island basalt (OIB) and MORB glasses are stable during Fe-XANES measurements (Fig. 11), having Φ values ≤ 0.1 (Table 1). These observations highlight that major (e.g., iron) and minor (e.g., sulfur) elements may have different susceptibilities to X-ray-induced beam damage (Gonçalves et al., 2013). Alternatively or additionally, the different responses of iron and sulfur during irradiation may be related to their behavior as non-volatile and volatile elements, or to the ratios of redox couples (e.g., S/Fe concentration ratios) (Hughes et al., 2020).

3.5. Discussion and summary

The S-XANES peak fitting calibration and the determination of the S^{4+} to S^{6+} intensity scaling factor could be improved with calibrations that include different compositions beyond the basalts tested here (experimental glasses of Jugo et al., 2010 and Chowdhury and Dasgupta, 2019). In particular, the concentration of Ca and Fe^{2+} may exert some control on sulfur speciation at given fO_2 conditions and potentially on beam damage susceptibility in glasses (Graz et al., 2007; Klimm et al., 2012a, 2012b). H_2O -content may also play a role in S-XANES beam damage susceptibility (Wilke et al., 2008) as it does in Fe-XANES photo-oxidation (Cottrell et al., 2018). Notably, calculations of sulfur speciation in MORB glasses using the S^{4+} to S^{6+} scaling factor of 1.2 to account for sulfur photo-reduction result in systematically lower $S^{6+}/\Sigma S$ for progressively more beam damaged analyses (from 0.09 to 0.03 $S^{6+}/\Sigma S$) (Figs. 9, 10). This indicates that the S^{4+} to S^{6+} scaling factor is likely larger for H_2O -poor, reduced basalt than what we have determined for hydrous, oxidized basaltic glass. A S^{4+} to S^{6+} scaling factor of >3 is required to equate the $S^{6+}/\Sigma S$ of highly beam damaged MORB analyses with the undamaged measurements made using very low photon flux densities. However, we note that fitting the S^{4+} peak is challenging in more reduced samples due to the overlap of the dominant S^{2-} peak with the relatively minor S^{4+} peak, and we might be under-fitting the S^{4+} peak in the MORB spectra. Additionally, in samples with mixed sulfur speciation, the slight beam damage-induced energy increase in the 2470–2475 eV range (Fig. 8 inset) would be completely masked by, and included within, the broad S^{2-} peak area. Further characterizing the complete range of sulfur complexing and valence changes during beam damage will be important for further improving S-XANES correction methods. The uncertainties in the S^{4+} to S^{6+} intensity corrections underscore that the foremost approach during S-XANES measurements should be to minimize beam damage as much as possible, so that the overall uncertainties stemming from any S^{4+} corrections are small.

In summary, S-XANES beam damage can occur in both hydrous and relatively anhydrous silicate glasses, but can be identified through repeat rapid scans by the presence and growth of a S^{4+} peak. If beam damage is found to occur, we suggest focusing on the least damaged spectra for each measurement, and then applying a S^{4+} to S^{6+} scaling factor to restore S^{4+} signal to the original S^{6+} intensity. In high-sulfur samples, where signal intensity is sufficient even with rapid scans, this is the ideal approach as beam damage is first limited and then restored to a good approximation of original S^{6+} intensity. Low-sulfur samples may require merging multiple rapid scans to obtain quantifiable spectra, despite the longer cumulative analysis time inducing more photo-reduction. In long duration or merged scans, irradiation-induced S^{4+} signal can still be restored to S^{6+} intensity, and although this introduces greater uncertainty (due to imprecisely known S^{4+} to S^{6+} scaling factors), it is still a better approach than not applying any beam damage correction. In highly oxidized samples lacking S^{2-} , accounting for S^{4+} is less important as it can simply be assumed that all sulfur was originally present as S^{6+} . However, in samples with mixed sulfur speciation,

separating any S^{4+} photo-reduction signal from the overlapping S^{2-} peak, and restoring the S^{4+} to original S^{6+} is important in accurately determining the initial sulfur speciation of the glass. Best practices may include specifically determining an appropriate S^{4+} to S^{6+} intensity scaling factor for the particular glass compositions being analyzed.

4. Identifying Fe-oxide nanolite crystals in Fe-XANES spectra

In addition to beam damage concerns during XANES analyses of glasses, the possible cryptic occurrence of nanolite crystals in glasses must also be considered to avoid spurious interpretations of XANES spectra. Nanolites are minerals in the sub-micron range that are typically undecipherable with optical microscopes or even with electron microscopes, but can form in MI during quenching under certain conditions. In some settings, dispersed nanolite crystals become large enough to appear as a fine “dust” within MI (Danyushevsky et al., 2002; Wallace et al., 2003). It has been suggested that Fe-oxides and sulfides may form in MI during cooling and/or diffusive H_2O -loss (Danyushevsky et al., 2002; Rowe et al., 2007; Di Genova et al., 2017, 2018, 2020; Head et al., 2018). Di Genova et al. (2017, 2018) observe that Fe-oxide (magnetite) nanolites preferentially occur in H_2O -rich glasses (≥ 2.5 wt% H_2O) across a range of compositions, suggesting that high H_2O promotes nanolite formation during quenching. This might occur, for example, because increased H_2O lowers the glass transition temperature, resulting in a larger cooling interval in the liquid state for H_2O -rich melts (Deubener et al., 2003). The presence of nanolites complicates XANES, Raman, and EPMA redox measurements in glasses because the bonding coordination in nanolite minerals may lead to different relationships between ion abundances and signal intensities compared to calibrated relationships in glasses.

Fortunately, the short-range ordering of iron and sulfur in mineral phases can be readily detected via XANES and Raman spectral techniques (Wilke et al., 2006; Di Genova et al., 2017, 2018, 2020; Head et al., 2018). Magnetite nanolites have been spectrally identified by Raman measurements in MI from basalts, dacites, and trachytes containing >4.5 wt% FeO^T and ≥ 2.5 wt% H_2O (Di Genova et al., 2017, 2018). Magnetite nanolite abundance correlates with more oxidized (EPMA-calculated) redox states of MI (Hughes et al., 2018), although it is unclear if nanolites actually form in more oxidized MI, or rather that the presence of nanolites affects the redox quantification. Ni-, V-, and S-XANES have been used by Farges et al. (2001) to identify Ni-bearing nanolites in hydrous albitic experimental glasses (≥ 4.5 wt% H_2O) and by Head et al. (2018) to identify V- and S-bearing spinel and sulfide nanolites in natural basaltic MI from Nyamuragira volcano (D.R. Congo). Finally, Fe-XANES has been used by Wilke et al. (2006) to identify the formation of Fe-oxide nanolites during the slow quenching of hydrous haplogranitic experimental glasses (where 0.06–1.5 μm diameter maghemite nanolites were confirmed by TEM).

Here, we build on the observations of Wilke et al. (2006) and show that Fe-XANES measurements can identify the cryptic occurrence of Fe-oxide nanolites in naturally quenched, optically glassy, hydrous MI. We conducted Fe-XANES measurements of doubly-intersected dacitic-rhyolitic MI from the 2006 eruption of Augustine Volcano (AK, USA) that contain 1–4 wt% H_2O (Lerner, 2020) and of basaltic MI from Cerro Negro (Nicaragua) that contain 3–4 wt% H_2O (Gaetani et al., 2012) (Table 1). A number of these MI contain a sharp absorption peak at ~ 7129.5 eV that is similar to the absorption edge feature observed in magnetite phenocrysts from both Augustine and oxidized Kilauea 2018 LERZ samples (Fig. 12). This magnetite-like peak indicates increased crystalline ordering of iron in the glasses due to Fe-oxide nanolites (Wilke et al., 2006). A magnetite-like peak was also observed in Fe-XANES measurements of optically glassy quartz-hosted MI from Central Andean volcanic centers by Grocke et al. (2016), who similarly considered this feature to indicate Fe-oxide nanolite interference.

Melt inclusions in Augustine feldspar and pyroxene grains that contain Fe-oxide (presumably magnetite or maghemite) nanolites are

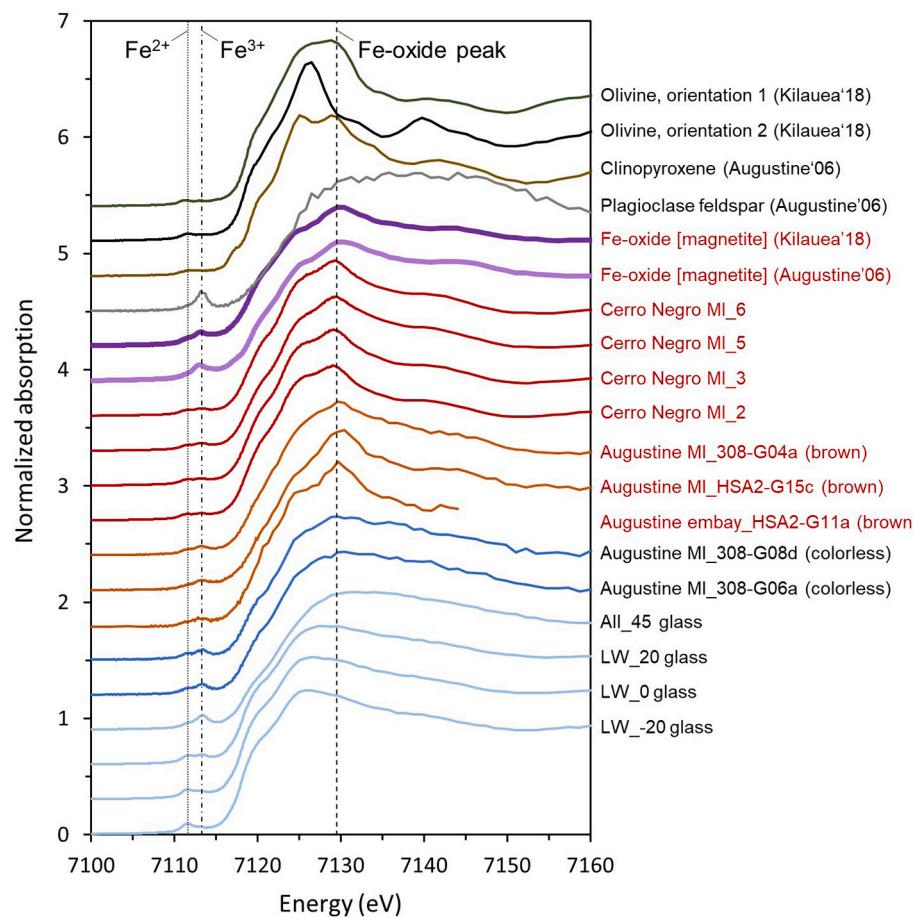


Fig. 12. Normalized Fe-XANES spectra of minerals (olivine, clinopyroxene, feldspar, magnetite), reference glasses (LW series, AII_45; Cottrell et al., 2009), and doubly-intersected MI or melt embayment glasses from Augustine 2006 (samples shown in Fig. 13) and Cerro Negro (see Data supplement). Brown-colored dacitic-rhyolitic glasses from Augustine (orange lines, red labels) have a prominent peak at \sim 7129.5 eV that closely resemble magnetite spectra (thick purple lines, red labels), indicating the presence of Fe-oxide nanolites. Cerro Negro olivine-hosted basaltic MI (red lines, red labels) also have a 7129.5 eV signature of Fe-oxide nanolites. Colorless MI from Augustine (blue lines) have glassy spectra, similar to oxidized reference glasses LW_20 and AII_45 (FMQ +2 and + 4.5, respectively). Spectra have been vertically shifted for clarity. The lines labeled Fe^{2+} and Fe^{3+} refer to the approximate peak positions of the first and second pre-edge doublet. (For interpretation of the references to color in this figure legend, the reader is referred to the web version of this article.)

consistently a brown color, although no distinct fine-scale crystals are observable with either optical or electron microscopes (Figs. 12, 13). Optically colorless MI are also present in the same samples from Augustine, and these colorless MI have smooth Fe-XANES absorption edge spectra that are indicative of glass with no magnetite-like structure (Figs. 12, 13). The occurrence of colorless and brown MI, even within the same sample, has been long recognized, and the cause and importance of MI glass color has been much debated. Although some studies have found that colorless MI contain lower H_2O and higher CO_2 than co-occurring brown MI, other studies find negligible differences in volatiles or major element compositions between different colored MI (Wallace et al., 1999; Myers et al., 2016; Myers, 2017). However, Fe-XANES analyses show that the color of Augustine MI consistently reflects the presence or absence of magnetite nanolites. These findings are consistent with observations of Fe-oxide (and other crystalline phases) nanolites causing the dark color of natural obsidian and rhyolitic glass (e.g., Sharp et al., 1996; Castro et al., 2005; Ma et al., 2007; Tuffen et al., 2021; Galois and Calas, 2021). Iron nanolite-bearing Augustine MI have highly variable calculated $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$, but in general, these MI are more Fe^{3+} -rich compared to colorless, nanolite-free MI from the same tephra sample (Lerner, 2020). However, it is again unclear whether this observation reflects an increased oxidation state within the nanolite-bearing MI or if it is a consequence of greater Fe^{3+} signal from the crystalline nanolite phases. Importantly, the presence of Fe-oxide nanolites may invalidate the Fe-XANES centroid energy to $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ calibrations for glasses. Until further research is undertaken to investigate such effects on XANES calibrations, spectra containing nanolite signatures should be interpreted cautiously. To help focus sample selection and avoid nanolite-induced complications during synchrotron analyses, Raman spectra could be acquired prior to XANES analyses to

identify whether nanolites are present in target glasses (Di Genova et al., 2017, 2018).

We note that many brown-colored MI in more basaltic compositions have clean glassy XANES spectra with no evidence of nanolites (e.g., many Kilauea LERZ and southern Cascades olivine-hosted MI studied here), so MI color alone does not always indicate the presence of Fe-oxide nanolites. Future efforts to characterize compositional, temperature, and H_2O variations between co-occurring brown and colorless MI in the same units will better clarify the processes that govern Fe-oxide nanolite formation and MI glass color.

5. Conclusions and implications

Accurate XANES measurements are essential for inferring magma redox state from iron and sulfur valence states in quenched glasses. Using repeated, rapid Fe- and S-XANES measurements and implementing a new peak-fitting calibration for S-XANES, we have developed time-dependent corrections to identify and correct for beam damage during Fe- and S-XANES analyses of silicate glasses. Beam damage corrections for iron photo-oxidation and sulfur photo-reduction are determined for each individual analysis rather than applying generalized corrections. This allows versatility to account for compositional differences and the effects of variable H_2O concentrations in MI, which can influence beam damage susceptibility. Testing these beam damage correction methods on hydrous experimental basalts, we show that Fe- and S-XANES measurements can be reliably made even on beam-sensitive glasses. Additional studies of the mechanisms and compositional dependence of S-XANES beam damage could further improve the photo-reduction correction method that we have introduced here. Additionally, using Fe-XANES, we demonstrate the occurrence of cryptic Fe-oxide nanolites

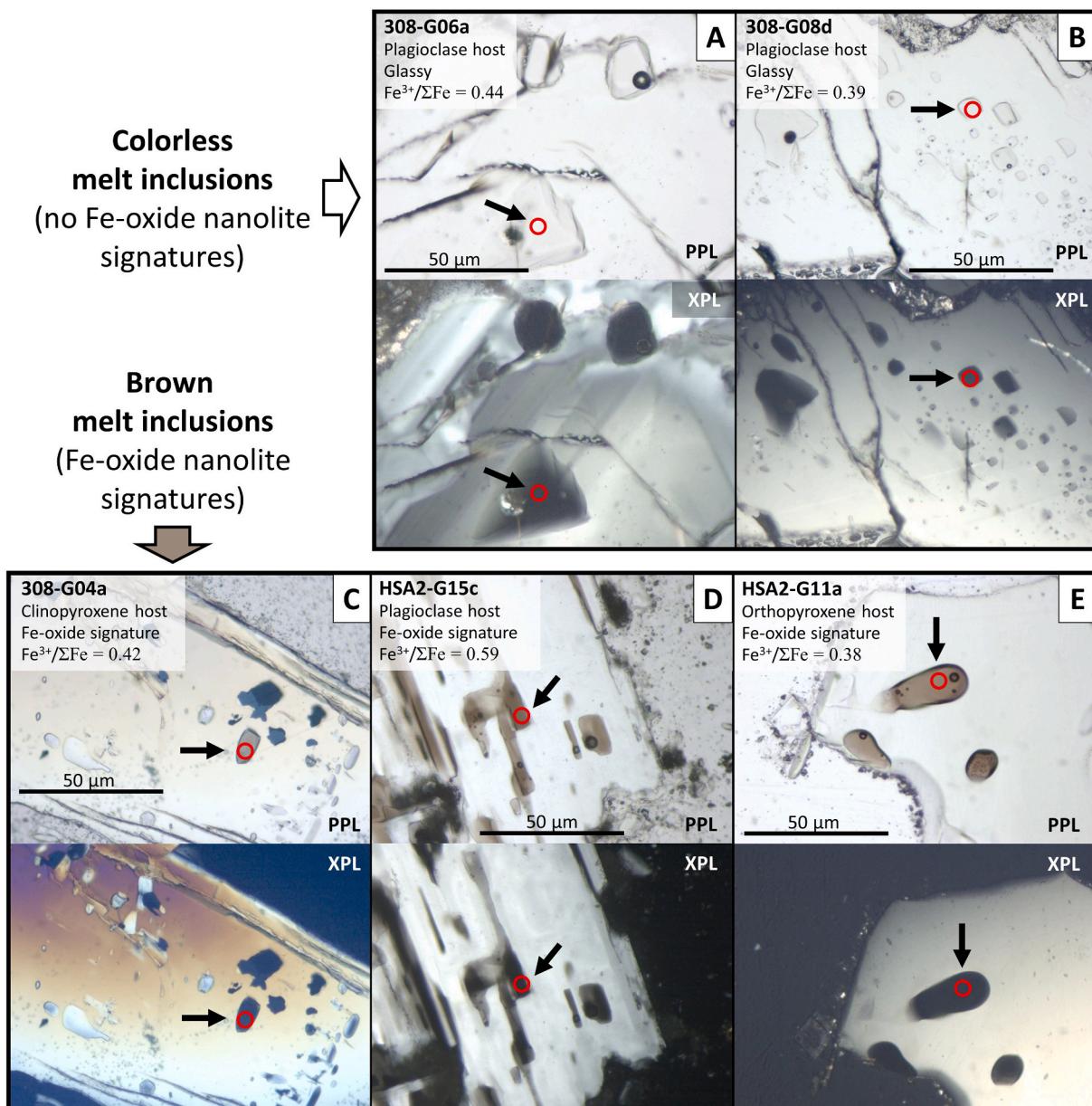


Fig. 13. Doubly-intersected dacitic-rhyolitic MI (A, B, C, D) and melt embayments (E) erupted from Augustine in 2006. (top) Colorless glasses (A, B) have completely glassy Fe-XANES spectra whereas (bottom) brown glasses have spectral signatures indicating the presence of Fe-oxide nanolites. Each two-pane panel shows images with plane polarized light (PPL) and through crossed polarizers (XPL), with full glass extinction in XPL showing where MI are doubly-intersected for host-free Fe-XANES analysis. All Fe-XANES analyses were conducted with a $5 \times 5 \mu\text{m}$ spot size ($\sim 1.4 \times 10^8 \text{ photons/s}/\mu\text{m}^2$ flux densities), and spectra are shown in Fig. 12. Photo-oxidation was not observed during repeated analyses in these glasses. $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ values were calculated from the felsic glass calibration of Fiege et al. (2017), although we note that the presence of Fe-oxide nanolites in the brown MI may invalidate such $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ calculations. (For interpretation of the references to color in this figure legend, the reader is referred to the web version of this article.)

in naturally quenched MI. Melt inclusions containing nanolite phases may invalidate Fe- and S-XANES calibrations for elemental valence and speciation in glasses, and such spectra should be interpreted with caution.

The analytical techniques presented here extend the ability to reliably measure iron valence and sulfur speciation in small and/or hydrous MI, which can undergo substantial beam damage during XANES analyses. These methods will allow further exploration of the redox behavior in hydrous systems, such as magmatic arcs and high- H_2O intraplate volcanic settings. Measurements of redox conditions in magmatic arc glasses are of particular interest in assessing whether subduction inputs oxidize the sub-arc mantle and the relative importance of $f\text{O}_2$ in controlling volcanic degassing and the formation of

porphyry copper ore deposits.

We demonstrate that irradiation-induced changes in S-XANES spectra can occur rapidly even in H_2O -poor MORB and OIB glasses that do not experience beam damage during Fe-XANES analysis. This raises the possibility that other multivalent trace element may similarly be subject to beam damage during X-ray analysis, even in relatively anhydrous glasses. The time-dependent analytical techniques presented here can be extended to XANES analyses of other multivalent trace elements, which are being increasingly applied to volcanic glasses (e.g., V, Cr, Cu-XANES; Sutton et al., 2020), to assess whether changes in valence or molecular complexing may be occurring during irradiation. Additional research into the mechanisms underlying nanolite formation and irradiation-induced beam damage will continue to improve our

understanding of these phenomena and how they can be better accounted for.

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