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4 **Effect of melt/mantle interactions on MORB chemistry at the Easternmost Southwest**  
5 **Indian Ridge (61 to 67°E)**

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## 26 **Introduction**

27 The supplementary materials include analytical methods used for this study, a  
28 description of the basalt dataset for the global mid-ocean ridge system, established using the  
29 PetDB database [Lehnert *et al.*, 2000]. We present the calculation parameters used for the mass  
30 balance model and the liquid lines of descent calculated with Petrolog [Danyushevsky and  
31 Plechov, 2011]. Additionally, the complete dataset for major element compositions of  
32 plagioclases, clinopyroxenes, orthopyroxenes, olivines and spinels analyzed in this study, as  
33 well as additional figures, are provided. We also present a list of all the ultramafic to gabbroic  
34 samples that were examined for this work, with their degrees of alteration and deformation.

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36 **Text S1.**

37 1. Major elements

38 We measured in situ major element concentrations in basaltic fresh glasses, using the  
39 Cameca SX-100 electron microprobe (CAMPARIS service, Paris), under a 15kV tension and a  
40 10nA beam current. The spot size was 10 $\mu$ m. Counting times for most measurements were 10s  
41 for Si, Al, K, Ca, Fe, Ti, Mn, Na, Mg and 20s for Cl, P and Ni. We also performed some  
42 measurements with 15kV, 20nA, 10 $\mu$ m, 30s for Na, Ti, Fe; 60s for Si, Ca, Mg, Al; 70s for K and  
43 100s for Mn. Additional high-precision analyses of Cl were performed using a 15-kV tension, a  
44 100-nA beam current and an integration of 10 points, 40s each, for every sample. Data  
45 presented here correspond to the mean values for each sample. We used the internal standard  
46 of the Lamont Doherty Laboratory, JDF-D2, to correct for instrumental deviations.

47 We also measured in situ major element concentrations in olivine, plagioclase,  
48 clinopyroxene, orthopyroxene and spinel, on 30  $\mu$ m-thick polished thin sections, using the  
49 Cameca SX-100 electron microprobe (CAMPARIS service, Paris), under a 15kV tension and a  
50 10nA beam current. The spot size was 0  $\mu$ m. Counting times were 5s for Si, K, Fe, Na and 10s for  
51 Al, P, Ca, Cl, Cr, Mn, Ti, Ni, Mg and F. Additional high-precision analyses of Ni and Mn in olivine  
52 were performed using a 15kV tension, a 45nA beam current, and counting times of 20s for Ni,  
53 Mn, Cr and Ca.

54 2. Trace elements

55 In situ trace element compositions in basaltic samples were determined at Montpellier  
56 2 University on a ThermoFinnigan Element 2 High Resolution-Inductively Coupled Plasma-Mass  
57 Spectrometer (HR-ICP-MS) using a single collector double-focusing sector field Element XR  
58 (eXtended Range) coupled with laser ablation (LA) system, a Geolas (Microlas) automated  
59 platform housing a 193 nm Compex 102 laser from LambdaPhysik.

60 Analyses were conducted using an in-house modified ablation cell of ca. 30 cm<sup>3</sup>, which  
61 resulted in a shorter washout time and an improved sensitivity compared to the initial larger  
62 ablation cell. Ablation experiments were conducted in a helium atmosphere, which enhances  
63 sensitivity and reduces inter-element fractionation [Gunther and Heinrich, 1999]. The helium  
64 gas and particles from the sample were then mixed with argon before entering the plasma.  
65 Signals were acquired in Time Resolved Acquisition, devoting 2 min for the blank and 1 min for  
66 measurement of the analyses. The laser was fired using an energy density of 10 J.cm<sup>-2</sup> at a  
67 frequency of 5Hz. Basaltic glasses were measured using a spot size of 102  $\mu$ m after pre-ablation  
68 at 122  $\mu$ m. This resulted in an average sensitivity of more than 5000 cps/ppm up to 20,000  
69 cps/ppm for most trace elements except for Ti, Ni and Zn (ca. 500 to 1000 cps/ppm) based on  
70 measurements on the NIST 612 certified reference material.

71 <sup>43</sup>Ca was used as internal standard. Concentrations were calibrated against the NIST  
72 612 rhyolitic glass using the values given in Pearce *et al.* [1997]. Data were subsequently  
73 reduced using the GLITTER software [Van Achterberg *et al.*, 2001] using the linear fit to ratio  
74 method. Oxide level, measured using the ThO/Th ratio, was below 0.7% yet, oxide  
75 interferences were detected on middle Rare Earth Elements and corrected using sample ED-  
76 DR26 as internal standard. Precision and accuracy, evaluated by repeated analyses of reference  
77 basalt BIR, were typically of <1 to 5% precision (1sigma) except for Pb, Rb and Ba (~ 9%), and

78 better than 15% accuracy for most analyses. Detection limits were between <1 and 50 ppb for  
79 most trace elements and ca. 500 ppb for Ti. The accuracy of the analyses is about <1 to 30%  
80 depending on the different trace elements.

81 In situ trace element compositions of clinopyroxene, orthopyroxene and plagioclase  
82 in the impregnated and reacted ultramafic rocks were measured at the CIGS (Centro  
83 Interdipartimentale Grandi Strumenti) in Modena University on a Thermo Fisher Scientific  
84 Quadrupole- Inductively Coupled Plasma-Mass Spectrometer (Q-ICP-MS) XSeries 2 coupled  
85 with laser ablation (LA) system UP213. Signals were acquired in Time Resolved Acquisition,  
86 devoting around 30s for the blank and 90s for measurement of the analyses. The laser was fired  
87 using an energy density of 25 J.cm<sup>-2</sup> at a frequency of 20Hz. Minerals were measured using a  
88 spot size of 80 µm after pre-ablation at 100µm. This resulted in an average sensitivity of more  
89 than 350 cps/ppm up to 3200 cps/ppm for most trace elements except for Ti, Ni and Zn (ca. 35  
90 to 150 cps/ppm) based on measurements on the NIST 610, 612 and 614 certified reference  
91 material.

92 <sup>29</sup>Si and <sup>44</sup>Ca were respectively used as internal standard for pyroxenes and plagioclase.  
93 Concentrations were calibrated against the NIST 610, 612 and 614 glasses using the values  
94 given in *Pearce et al.* [1997] and *Morishita et al.* [2005]. Data were subsequently reduced using  
95 the PlasmaLab software. Precision and accuracy, evaluated by repeated analyses of reference  
96 glasses NIST, were typically of 2 to 6% precision (1sigma) except for Th and U (~7-8%), and  
97 better than 15% accuracy for most analyses. The accuracy of the analyses is about <1 to 25-30%  
98 depending on the different trace elements.

### 99 3. Isotopes

100 Handpicked glass chips were washed for 10 minutes in 1% H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> in an ultrasonic bath,  
101 followed by three rinses in ultrapure water and then leached briefly in concentrated ultrapure  
102 HBr prior to digestion in concentrated HBr-HF ultrapure acids (1:3). Powders were leached in  
103 HCl 6M during one hour at 130°C, followed by three rinses in ultrapure water and drying. Lead  
104 was extracted after *Manhes et al.* [1978]. Nd separation was completed using a method adapted  
105 from *Hamelin et al.* [2013].

106 Nd and Pb isotopic compositions were measured at Institut de Physique du Globe de  
107 Paris using a Thermo-Scientific Neptune. All Nd data were corrected for mass fractionation  
108 using <sup>146</sup>Nd/<sup>144</sup>Nd=0.7219. Repeated measurements of NIST3135A and JNdi standards during  
109 analyses gave an average of <sup>143</sup>Nd/<sup>144</sup>Nd=0.511367±5 (n=22, 2σ) and <sup>143</sup>Nd/<sup>144</sup>Nd=0.512110±3  
110 (n=8, 2σ) respectively. Mass fractionation on Pb was monitored using the Tl doping and sample-  
111 standard bracketing technique. Data are reported relative to published values of NBS 981  
112 (Catanzaro et al., 1968). 17 replicates of the Pb isotope standard NIST981 gave an average of  
113 17.062±0.002 (2σ) and 15.663±0.002 (2σ) and 37.243±0.007 (2σ) for <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb, <sup>207</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb and  
114 <sup>208</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb respectively. The estimated external precision for Pb analyses is ±0.01%, 2σ for  
115 <sup>206</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb and <sup>207</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb and ±0.02%, 2σ for <sup>208</sup>Pb/<sup>204</sup>Pb. Analytical blanks were lower than 40  
116 pg for Nd and 30 pg for Pb.

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118 **Text S2.**

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120 We selected MORB glass analysis from PetDB [Lehnert *et al.*, 2000], downloaded in November  
121 2014, for the Mid-Atlantic Ridge (MAR), the East Pacific Rise (EPR), the Mid-Cayman Rise and  
122 Gakkel Ridge. For Gakkel Ridge, the PetDB data are completed by the dataset from Gale *et al.*  
123 [2014]. We filtered marginal compositions for the MORB samples as following:  
124  $48.5\text{wt}\% < \text{SiO}_2 < 60\text{wt}\%$ ;  $\text{CaO} > 9\text{wt}\%$ ;  $\text{K}_2\text{O} < 0.4\text{wt}\%$ ;  $5\text{wt}\% < \text{MgO} < 10.5\text{wt}\%$ .

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126 **Table S1.** Major (wt%), trace (ppm) and isotopic compositions of the ultramafic and volcanic  
127 seafloor basalts (Southwest Indian Ridge).

128 **Table S2.** Lithologies, degree of alteration and deformation in all the plagioclase-bearing  
129 ultramafic to gabbroic rock samples from the 61° to 67°E region of the SWIR, examined in this  
130 study.

131 **Table S3.** Major element compositions (wt%) of plagioclases of plagioclase-bearing ultramafic  
132 rocks. Average composition of several plagioclase grains in each sample. Error bars:  $\pm 1$  std.

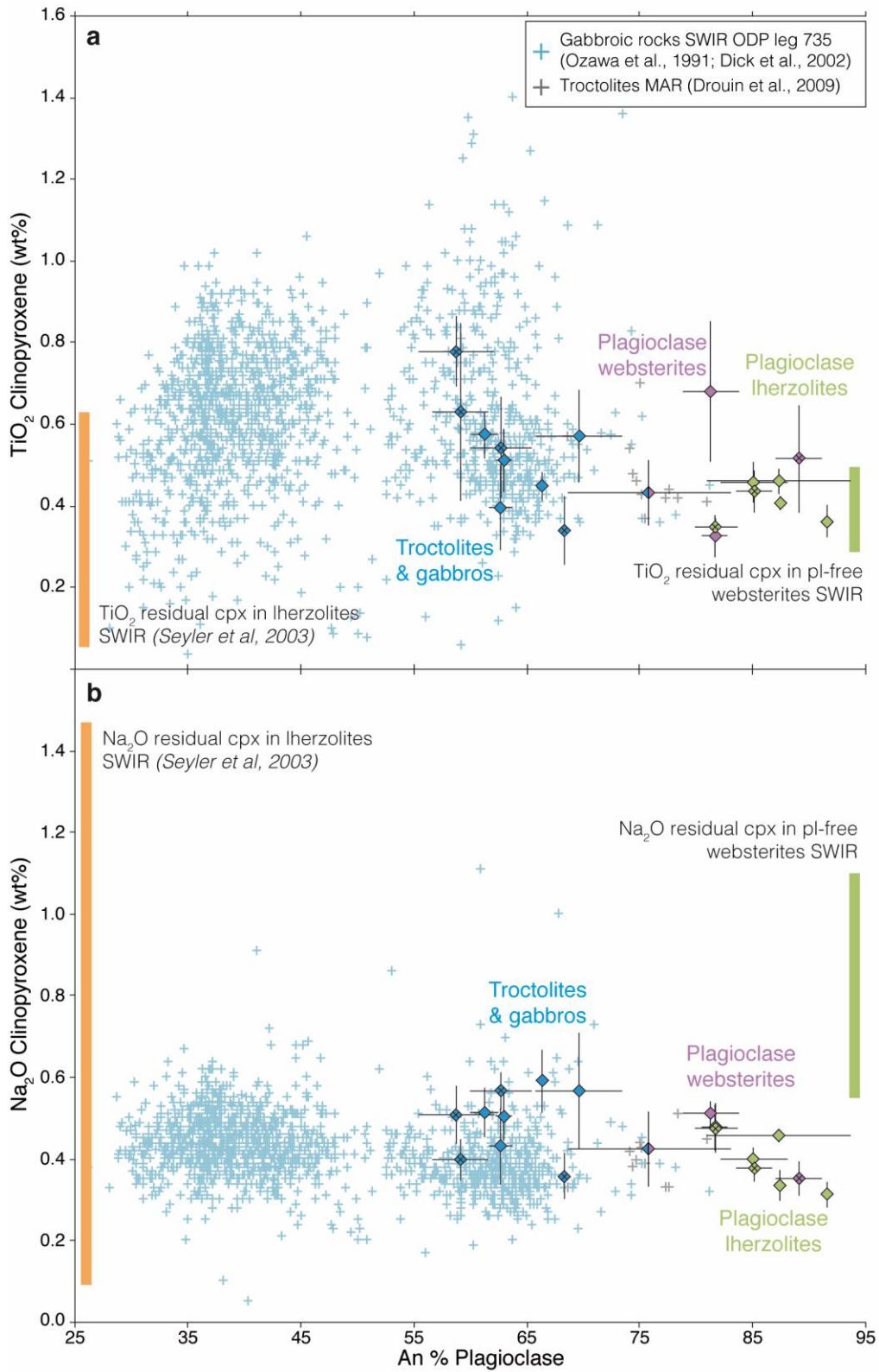
133 **Table S4.** Major element compositions (wt%) of clinopyroxenes of plagioclase-bearing  
134 ultramafic rocks. Average composition of several clinopyroxene grains in each sample. Error  
135 bars:  $\pm 1$  std.

136 **Table S5.** Major element compositions (wt%) of orthopyroxenes of plagioclase-bearing  
137 ultramafic rocks. Average composition of several orthopyroxene grains in each sample. Error  
138 bars:  $\pm 1$  std.

139 **Table S6.** Major element compositions (wt%) of olivines of plagioclase-bearing ultramafic  
140 rocks. Average composition of several olivine grains in each sample. Error bars:  $\pm 1$  std.

141 **Table S7.** Major element compositions (wt%) of spinels of plagioclase-bearing ultramafic rocks.  
142 Average composition of several spinel grains in each sample. Error bars:  $\pm 1$  std.

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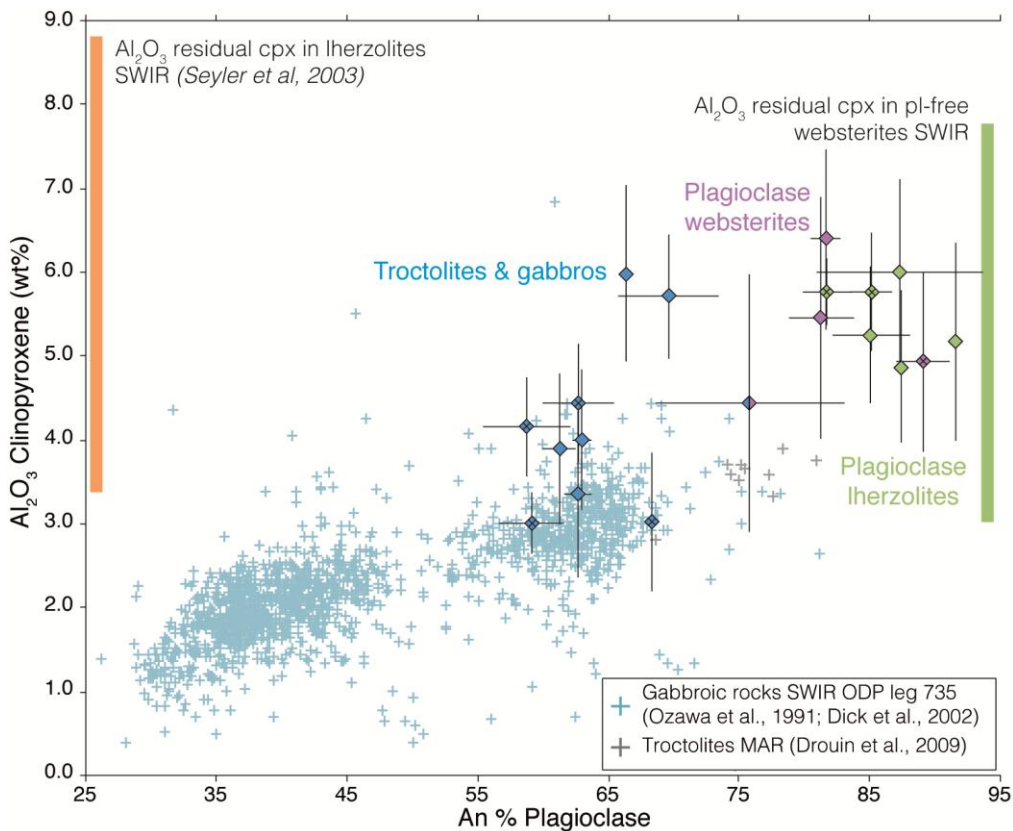


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145 **Figure S1.** Clinopyroxene and plagioclase major element compositions in samples of the  
 146 plagioclase-bearing ultramafic to gabbroic suite. (a) Clinopyroxene  $\text{TiO}_2$  as a function of

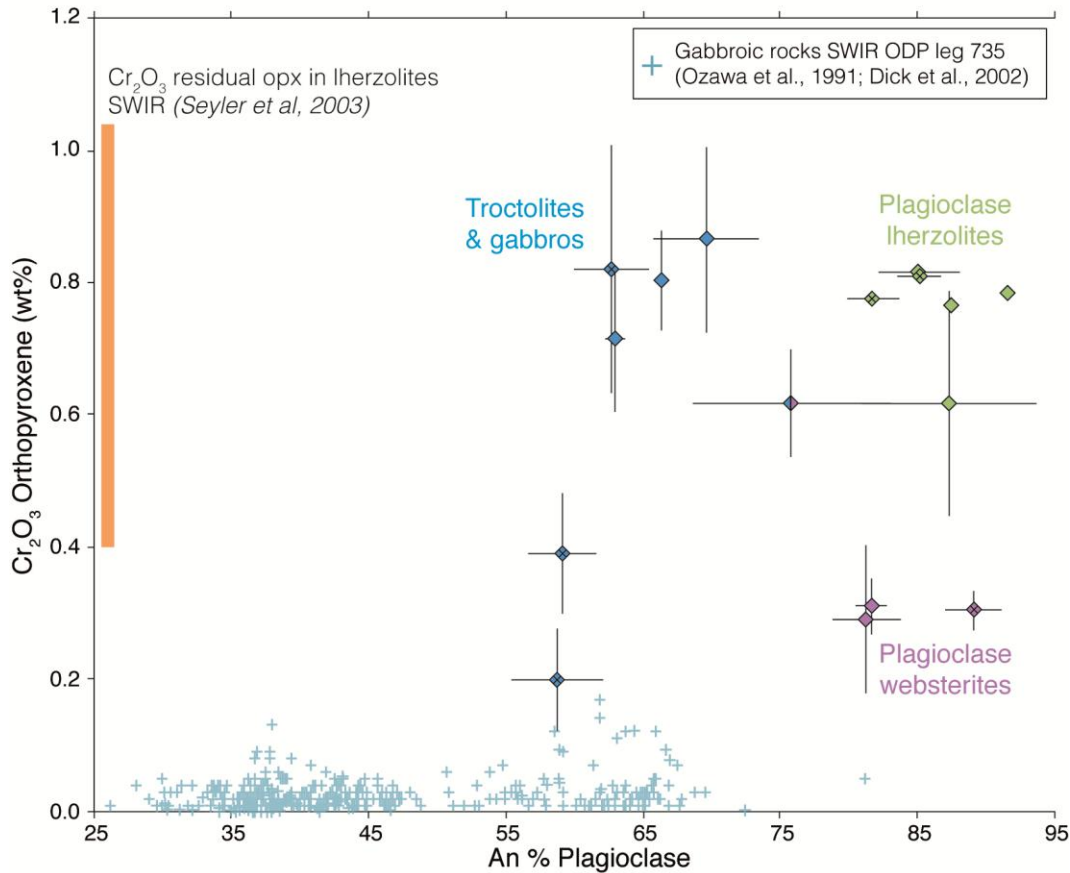
147 plagioclase anorthite content. (b) Clinopyroxene Na<sub>2</sub>O content as a function of plagioclase  
 148 anorthite content. Diamond data point corresponds to the average composition of several  
 149 grains in each sample (n values in Tables 5, 6, S<sub>3</sub> and S<sub>4</sub>). Error bars: ±1 std. Diamonds are  
 150 colored according to modal mineralogy: plagioclase-bearing lherzolites in green, plagioclase-  
 151 bearing websterites in purple, troctolites, olivine gabbros and gabbros in blue. The blue-purple  
 152 diamond corresponds to hybrid sample SMS6-5-7 described in Figure 9b. Diamonds with a cross  
 153 inside correspond to samples for which we also analyzed in-situ trace elements. Orange and  
 154 green bars show ranges of composition reported for residual clinopyroxenes in plagioclase-free  
 155 peridotite samples [Seyler *et al.*, 2003] and in plagioclase-free websterites [Brunelli *et al.*,  
 156 unpublished data] respectively.

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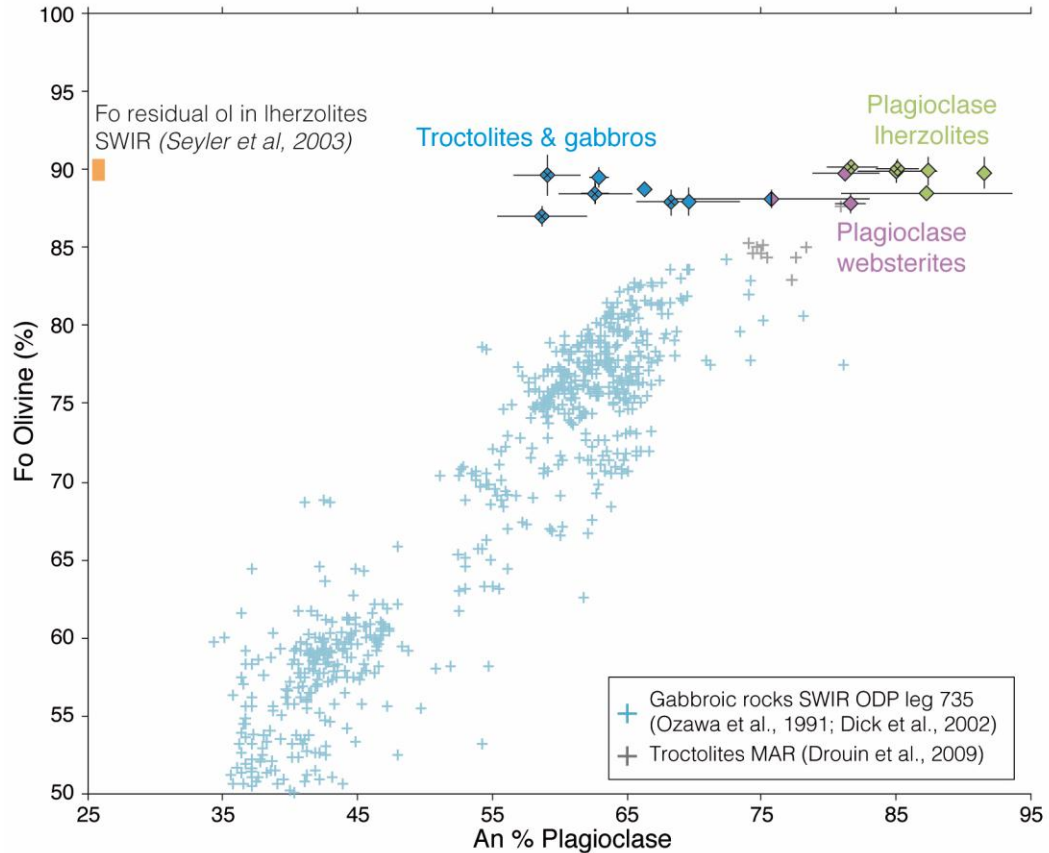
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159 **Figure S2.** Clinopyroxene and plagioclase major element compositions in samples of the  
 160 plagioclase-bearing ultramafic to gabbroic suite. Clinopyroxene Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> as a function of  
 161 plagioclase anorthite content. Diamond data point corresponds to the average composition of  
 162 several grains in each sample (n values in Tables 5, 6, S<sub>3</sub> and S<sub>4</sub>). Error bars: ±1 std. Diamonds  
 163 are colored according to modal mineralogy: plagioclase-bearing lherzolites in green,  
 164 plagioclase-bearing websterites in purple, troctolites, olivine gabbros and gabbros in blue. The  
 165 blue-purple diamond corresponds to hybrid sample SMS6-5-7 described in Figure 9b. Diamonds  
 166 with a cross inside correspond to samples for which we also analyzed in-situ trace elements.  
 167 Orange and green bars show ranges of composition reported for residual clinopyroxenes in  
 168 plagioclase-free peridotite samples [Seyler *et al.*, 2003] and in plagioclase-free websterites  
 169 [Brunelli *et al.*, unpublished data] respectively.



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171 **Figure S3.** Orthopyroxene and plagioclase major element compositions in samples of the  
 172 plagioclase-bearing ultramafic to gabbroic suite. Orthopyroxene Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> content as a function of  
 173 plagioclase anorthite content. Diamond data point corresponds to the average composition of  
 174 several grains in each sample (n values in Tables 7 and S5). Error bars: ±1 std. Diamonds are  
 175 colored according to modal mineralogy: plagioclase-bearing Iherzolites in green, plagioclase-  
 176 bearing websterites in purple, troctolites, olivine gabbros and gabbros in blue. The blue-purple  
 177 diamond corresponds to hybrid sample SMS6-5-7 described in Figure 9b. Diamonds with a cross  
 178 inside correspond to samples for which we also analyzed in-situ trace elements. Orange bar  
 179 shows the range of composition reported for residual orthopyroxenes in plagioclase-free  
 180 peridotite samples [Seyler et al., 2003].

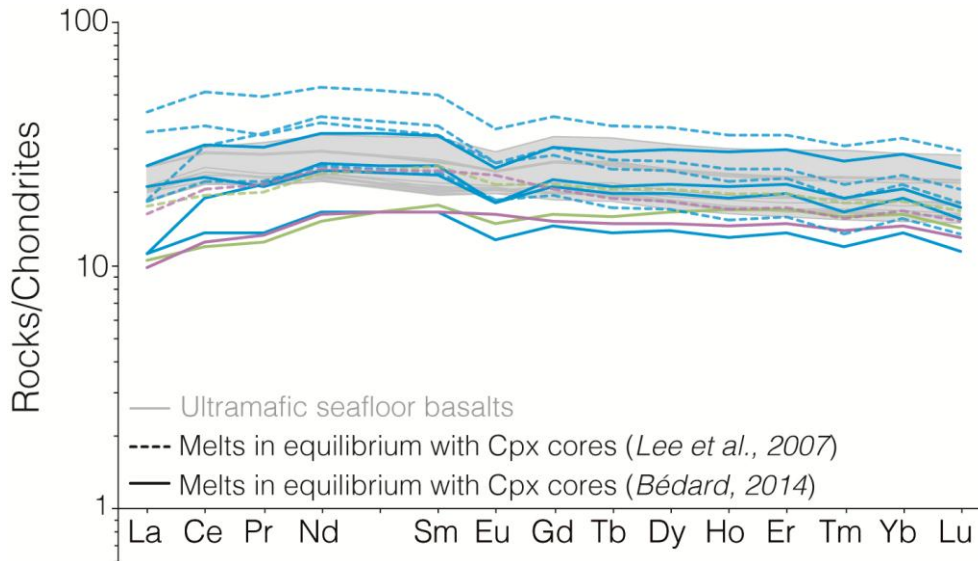


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182 **Figure S4.** Olivine and plagioclase major element compositions in samples of the plagioclase-  
 183 bearing ultramafic to gabbroic suite. Olivine Fo content as a function of plagioclase anorthite  
 184 content. Diamond data point corresponds to the average composition of several grains in each  
 185 sample (n values in Tables 8 and S6). Error bars:  $\pm 1$  std. Diamonds are colored according to  
 186 modal mineralogy: plagioclase-bearing lherzolites in green, plagioclase-bearing websterites in  
 187 purple, troctolites, olivine gabbros and gabbros in blue. The blue-purple diamond corresponds  
 188 to hybrid sample SMS6-5-7 described in Figure gb. Diamonds with a cross inside correspond to  
 189 samples for which we also analyzed in-situ trace elements. Orange bar shows the range of  
 190 composition reported for residual olivines in plagioclase-free peridotite samples [Seyler et al.,  
 191 2003].

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194 **Figure S5.** Chondrite-normalized Rare Earth Element (REE) concentrations in melts calculated  
 195 to be in equilibrium with the clinopyroxenes using clinopyroxene/liquid partition coefficients  
 196 from *Bédard* [2014] (solid lines) and *Lee et al.* [2007] (dashed lines). Normalizing values of  
 197 *McDonough and Sun* [1995]. Data are colored according to modal mineralogy of the sample:  
 198 plagioclase-bearing lherzolites in green, plagioclase-bearing websterites in purple, troctolites,  
 199 olivine gabbros and gabbros in blue. The field of ultramafic seafloor basalts (Figure 4a) is shown  
 200 for comparison.

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202 **Text S3.**

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204 In this model, two parameters are unknown: the parent melt composition of the  
 205 erupted melt, and the melt-mantle ratio of the reaction, which corresponds to the mass of  
 206 extracted liquid after the reaction over the initial mass of ultramafic reacted rock. We calculate  
 207 the composition of the parent melt of the ultramafic seafloor basalt for different values of a  
 208 melt-mantle ratio (30, 50, 100 and 500), with either no solid mass change, or with a solid mass  
 209 change of 100%.

210 For example, taking the ultramafic seafloor basalt SMS16-3-5 as the reacted melt, the  
 211 olivine gabbro SMS17-5-6 as the reacted solid, and the residual spinel lherzolite ED21-5-1 as the  
 212 reacting solid, we used the following mass balance equation to calculate the composition of the  
 213 parent melt:

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$$215 \quad C_{parentmelt}^i = (C_{SMS17-5-6}^i * S_1 + C_{SMS16-3-5}^i * L_1 - C_{ED21-5-1}^i * S_0) / L_0$$

216 where  $C_{parentmelt}^i$  and  $C_{SMS16-3-5}^i$  correspond to the concentration of the element  $i$  in the  
 217 parent melt and the erupted ultramafic seafloor basalt SMS16-3-5, respectively.  $C_{SMS17-5-6}^i$   
 218 and  $C_{ED21-5-1}^i$  correspond to the bulk concentration of the element  $i$ , respectively in the  
 219 reacted solid SMS17-5-6 and the reacting solid ED21-5-1, and calculated with modal  
 220 abundances and the concentrations of the element  $i$  in the mineral phases (olivine,  
 221 orthopyroxene, clinopyroxene, spinel and plagioclase).  $S_0$  and  $L_0$  represent the mass of residual

222 solid and parent melt respectively, whereas  $S_1$  and  $L_1$  represent the mass of reacted solid and  
223 liquid (SMS17-5-6 and SMS16-3-5) respectively.

224 We define  $S_1 = S_o + dS$ , where  $dS$  is the change of solid mass after reaction. In our  
225 calculations,  $dS = \gamma * S_o$ , where  $\gamma$  is the ratio of change of solid mass after reaction. If all the  
226 olivine is residual,  $\gamma$  varies between 0 and the ratio of the modal abundances of olivine in the  
227 residual peridotite and in the reacted solid. If  $dS=0$ , the mass of initial peridotite corresponds to  
228 the same mass of reacted solid; if there is significant modal plagioclase in the reacted solid, this  
229 implies that there has been melt trapping and that the reaction zone has grown in volume. If  
230 the reaction is mostly clinopyroxene replacing orthopyroxene, it could be nearly isovolume.  
231 Note that the calculation as it is done does not take into account the possibility of a net  
232 decrease in solid mass resulting from the melt/mantle reaction.

233 The mass of reacted liquid is given by  $L_1 = R * S_o$ , where  $R$  is the melt/mantle ratio, and  
234 the mass of parent melt is given by  $L_o = dS + L_1$ .

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236 The model is most sensitive to the choice of reacted solid composition. We made the  
237 assumption that the most representative composition was that of SMS17-5-6, an olivine  
238 gabbro. If we had a more extensively reacted composition (such as ED21-10-3), the calculated  
239 melt/rock ratios needed to go from parent to reacted melts of a given composition would be  
240 larger.

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243 **Table S8.** Major (wt%) and trace (ppm) compositions of the ultramafic seafloor basalt SMS16-  
 244 3-5, and of plagioclase-bearing and plagioclase-free ultramafic rocks. Compositions for SMS17-  
 245 5-6 and ED21-5-1 correspond to reconstructed bulk composition using modal abundances from  
 246 Table 4, and Seyler *et al.* [2011], respectively.

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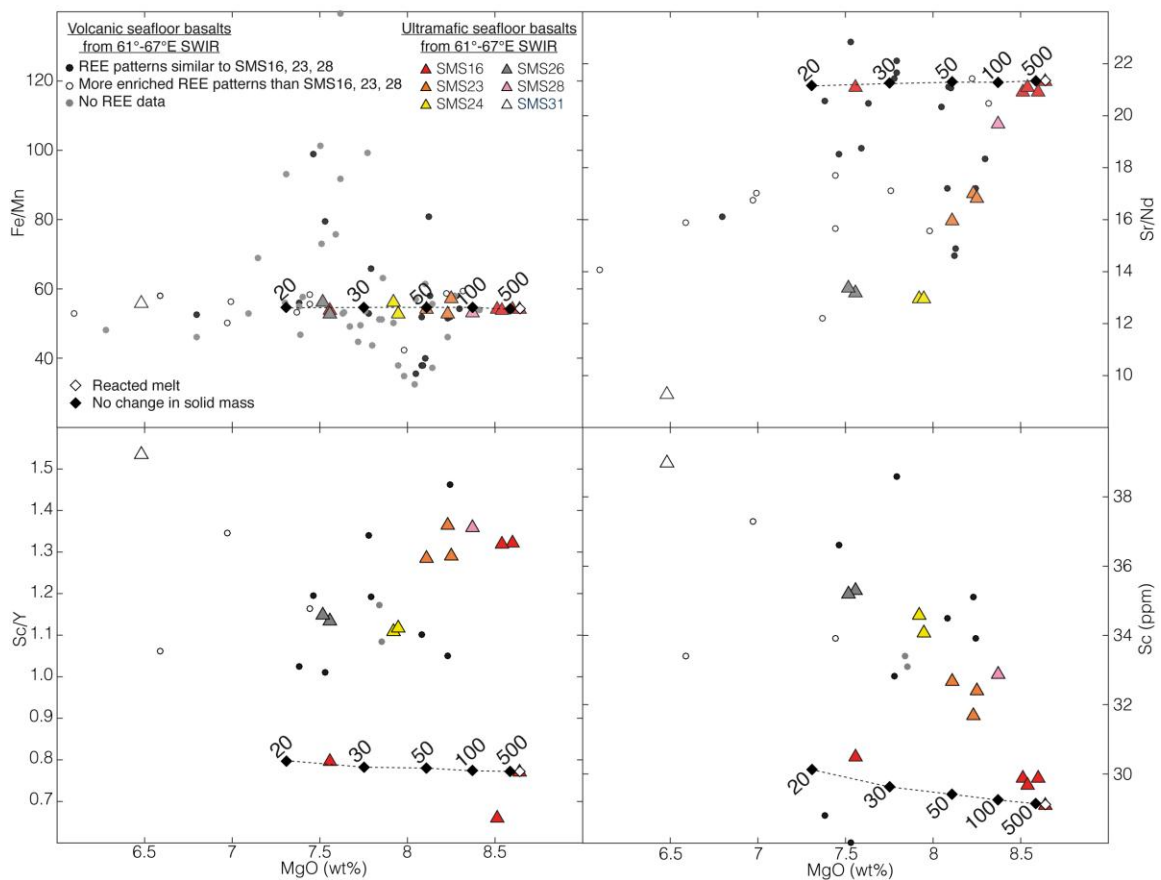
	SMS16-3-5	SMS23-2-10	SMS17-5-6	ED21-5-1
SiO <sub>2</sub>	50.42	50.37	46.96	44.53
TiO <sub>2</sub>	1.34	1.34	0.20	0.05
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	17.24	16.83	14.85	2.36
FeO	7.59	8.01	4.27	8.22
MnO	0.14	0.14	0.07	0.16
MgO	8.64	8.25	16.79	43.45
CaO	9.76	10.20	12.05	1.37
Na <sub>2</sub> O	4.16	3.76	1.70	0.04
K <sub>2</sub> O	0.18	0.19	0.01	0.00
Cr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.05	0.05	0.85	0.41
Sc	29.10	32.40	21.09	5.18
Sr	220.34	174.91	21.08	2.83
Zr	101.53	100.97	1.20	0.39
La	4.82	4.43	0.51	0.00
Ce	14.83	13.33	0.93	0.01
Nd	10.33	10.37	2.05	0.05
Sm	2.89	3.14	2.81	0.05
Eu	1.11	1.14	4.03	0.02
Gd	3.68	4.22	3.09	0.10
Dy	4.20	4.84	3.21	0.17
Er	2.53	3.02	3.14	0.14
Yb	2.43	2.96	2.97	0.17
Lu	0.37	0.44	2.51	0.03
Y	37.73	25.06	2.74	1.10

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250 Text S4.

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252 During the calculations presented Figures 13 and 15, pressure is kept constant, and each step  
253 corresponds to 0.01% of extraction. We used Danyushevsky model from 2001 for olivine,  
254 plagioclase and clinopyroxene fractionation. The oxygen fugacity is calculated following  
255 Borisov and Shapkin model [1990]; melt density is calculated following the model of Lange and  
256 Carmichael [1987]; melt viscosity is calculated following the model of Bottinga and Weill [1972].  
257 Before the beginning of the calculations, Petrolog recalculates the composition of the basalt,  
258  $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$  content being calculated using QFM-1 buffer for oxygen fugacity. This explains why the  
259 starting composition plotted Figure 13 does not fit exactly the SMS16-3-5 composition.



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261 **Figure S6.** Mass balance model of the possible effect of melt-rock interactions in the mantle  
262 lithosphere on the major element composition of basalts in the easternmost Southwest Indian  
263 Ridge. See caption of Figure 13 for the details. (a) Fe/Mn, (b) Sr/Nd, (c) Sc/Y and (d) Sc content  
264 in function of MgO content.