Lying in wait: deep and shallow evolution of dacite beneath
Volcán de Santa María, Guatemala

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Abstract: The Plinian eruption in October 1902 of 8.5 km³ of dacitic pumice and minor basaltic andesite scoria and ash at Volcán de Santa María, Guatemala violently interrupted a 25 kyr period of repose that had followed ~75 kyr of cone-growth via extrusion of 8 km³ of basaltic andesite lava. Two-oxide and pyroxene thermometry reveal an oxidized (Ni-NiO + 2 log units) and thermally-zoned magma body in which basaltic andesite with 54 wt% SiO₂ at 1020 °C and dacite with 65 wt% SiO₂ at 870 °C coexisted. Plagioclase in dacite pumice and basaltic andesite scoria shows remarkably similar zoning characterized by repeated excursions toward high anorthite and increases in Mg, Fe, and Sr associated with resorption surfaces along which dacitic to tholeitic melt inclusions are trapped. The melt inclusions increase slightly in K₂O as SiO₂ increases from 69 to 77 wt%, whereas H₂O contents between 5.2 and 1.4 wt% drop with increasing K₂O. These observations suggest that crystallization of the plagioclase, and evolution of a high-silica rhyolitic residual melt, occurred mainly in the conduit as the compositionally-zoned magma body decompressed and degassed from >180 MPa, or >5 km depth, toward the surface. The similarity of plagioclase composition, zoning, and melt inclusion compositions in pumice and scoria suggests that crystals which grew initially in the cooler dacite, were exchanged between dacitic and basaltic andesite magma as the two magmas mingled and partially mixed en route to the surface. Since 1922 > 1 km³ of dacitic magma similar to the 1902 pumice has erupted effusively to form the Santiaguito dome complex in the 1902 eruption crater.

Trace element and Sr–Nd–Pb and U–Th isotope data indicate that cone-forming basaltic andesite lavas record processes operating in the deep crust in which wallrock heating sufficient to induce partial melting and assimilation involved several pulses of recharging mantle-derived basalt over at least 50 kyr. A fundamental shift in process coincides with the termination of cone-building at 25 ka: the 1902 dacite reflects >40% fractional crystallization of plagioclase + amphibole + clinopyroxene + magnetite from ~20 km³ of basaltic andesite magma left-over following cone-building that cooled slowly without assimilating additional crust. Small contrasts in Sr–Nd–Pb ratios, a modest contrast in δ¹⁸O(WR), and a large difference in the (²³⁸U/²³⁰Th) activity ratio between the 1902 scoria and dacite indicate that these two magmas are not consanguineous, rather this basaltic andesite is likely a recent arrival in the system. A glass–whole rock–magnetite–amphibole ²³⁸U–²³⁰Th isochron of 9.5 ± 2.5 ka for a 1972 Santiaguito dacite lava suggests that deeper, occluded portions of the silicic magma body, not erupted in 1902, incubated in the crust for at least 10 kyr prior to the 1902 eruption. Basaltic andesite inclusions in the Santiaguito dacite lava domes are interpreted to be modified remnants of the cone-forming magma parental to the 1902 dacite.

Supplementary material: Electron probe analyses of glass standards, and SIMS data from standards and melt inclusions for the hydrogen measurements are available at http://www.geolsoc.org.uk/SUP18606

The origin of andesitic to dacitic magma in subduction zones remains a major focus of igneous petrology owing to the central role it plays in crustal evolution and the hazards posed by explosive, often deadly, eruptions. Many eruptions of dacite also contain lesser amounts of more mafic components, basalt to basaltic andesite in composition, that beg the question of whether the dacite is genetically related to the mafic magma, or if the ascent of mafic magma into the dacite may have promoted eruption (e.g. Sparks et al. 1977; Pallister et al. 1992). Whereas geochemical observations (e.g. Hildreth & Moorbath 1988) and theoretical models (e.g. Dufek & Bergantz 2005; Annen et al. 2006) provide a conceptual framework for understanding how intermediate magmas result from the
interaction of hydrous mantle-derived basalt with lower crustal rocks that partially melt and thus blend with the basalt, many details of the processes involved, including their timescales, remain obscure. Recent advances in $^{40}$Ar/$^{39}$Ar geochronology have made it possible to date precisely latest Pleistocene and Holocene volcanic rocks in subduction zones (e.g. Jicha & Singer 2006; Hora et al. 2007; Jicha et al. 2012). In turn, this makes several tens of thousands of years of pre-historic eruptions amenable to U-series isotope disequilibrium study, thereby linking volcano growth episodes, large explosive eruptions, or collapse events with specific magmatic processes (e.g. Jicha et al. 2005, 2007, 2009; Hora et al. 2009). Moreover, the resulting estimates for the timing of mixing or recharge events, and duration of crystallization/pluton formation or partial melting episodes provide unique insights on the dynamics of intermediate magma formation (e.g. Hawkesworth et al. 2000; Bacon & Lowenstern 2005; Jicha et al. 2005; Bacon et al. 2007). In this light, $^{40}$Ar/$^{39}$Ar dating (Escobar-Wolf et al. 2010; Singer et al. 2011) and U-series isotope (Jicha et al. 2010) studies of pre-historic basaltic andesite lavas that comprise the Santa María composite volcano, Guatemala provide a backdrop for understanding more fully the origin of voluminous dacitic magma that has erupted historically from the same magmatic system.

The Santa María–Santiaguito volcanic complex has a relatively simple history that includes a $\sim75$ kyr period of basaltic andesite cone-growth, followed by repose for $\sim25$ kyr and explosive eruption of dacitic pumice and minor basaltic andesitic scoria and ash in 1902 (Rose 1987a; Escobar-Wolf et al. 2010; Singer et al. 2011). By some estimates the 24 October 1902 eruption of Santa María was the third most deadly of the twentieth century, with more than 8750 casualties (Witham 2005). Subsequent eruptions that began in 1922, and which continue to the present day, comprise dacitic lava and ash that occasionally contain quenched mafic inclusions (Rose 1987a, b; Harris et al. 2003; Escobar-Wolf et al. 2008). Whereas Singer et al. (2011) used whole rock major and trace element geochemical data, as well as Sr, Pb, Nd, and U–Th isotope compositions to investigate the evolution of basaltic andesite lavas that formed the Santa María cone, this paper focuses on the origin of the historically-erupted dacitic tephra and lava and its relationship to cone-forming mafic magmas that preceded the dacite. In addition to new whole rock major and trace element and Sr–Nd–Pb–O isotope compositions from these historically erupted materials, we present the composition of phenocryst minerals including zoning in plagioclase obtained via electron probe micro-analysis (EPMA), and H$_2$O concentrations of plagioclase-hosted melt inclusions in dacite pumice determined using secondary ion mass spectrometry (SIMS). These data-sets are used collectively to quantify processes that led to the catastrophic eruption of 1902.

### Geological and petrologic background

Subduction of the Cocos plate at 7–8 cm/yr beneath the Caribbean plate has generated the Central American Volcanic Arc (CAVA) between Guatemala and Costa Rica. Volcán de Santa María, near the western end of the CAVA, is one of 39 centers that define the arc front which is 165–190 km from the Middle America Trench (Fig. 1). Crustal thickness beneath the arc varies from $>40$ km at its northwestern (Guatemala) and southeastern (Costa Rica) ends, to $\sim30$ km beneath its centre in Nicaragua (Carr 1984; Carr et al. 2003, 2007). Volcán de Santa María sits atop the Chortis block that includes mainly poorly exposed Palaeozoic metamorphic rocks, but also Cretaceous ophiolites which crop out along the Motagua fault north of the volcano (Fig. 1; Beccaluva et al. 1995). The surface of the Chortis block is widely capped with several hundred metres of undivided volcanic rocks of late Cenozoic age that include deeply eroded remnants of Pleistocene andesite volcanoes which crop out beneath the Santa María cone (Fig. 2).

The majority of geochemical data within the CAVA are from lavas erupted in the central and southern parts of the arc. Beneath Guatemala the crust is thicker and more lithologically diverse which allows for a potentially more complex evolution of magma (e.g. Rose 1987a; Halsor & Rose 1988; Vogel et al. 2006; Walker et al. 2007). It has also been proposed by Heydolph et al. (2012) that the lithospheric mantle beneath Guatemala is exceptionally heterogeneous, leading to a distinctively ‘crustal’ isotopic composition of mafic lavas in this part of the CAVA. The Santa María–Santiaguito complex is strongly bimodal both chemically and temporally, having erupted 8 km$^3$ of basaltic andesite lava (51–56% SiO$_2$) between 103 and 25 ka, but with dacite (63–67% SiO$_2$) dominating the $>9$ km$^3$ of historically erupted material (Rose 1987a; Escobar-Wolf 2010; Singer et al. 2011; Fig. 2). The 1902 eruption was itself bimodal with $>98\%$ of the airfall deposit comprising dacite pumice and ash overlain by a minor layer of basaltic andesite ash and scoria (Rose 1972; Williams & Self 1982). Lithic fragments of granodiorite and metamorphic rocks also comprise several percent by mass of the airfall deposit (Rose 1972). Despite the thick crust beneath Volcán de Santa María, Jicha et al. (2010) used Sr and U–Th isotope data to show that the flux of slab fluid into the mantle below Guatemala is equal to, or greater than, in...
other parts of CAVA where crust is relatively thin (e.g. Nicaragua), a finding that conflicts with other models (Patino et al. 2000; Carr et al. 2003; Heydolph et al. 2012). Moreover, Jicha et al. (2010) inferred that a portion of the crust beneath Santa María comprises ancient mid-ocean ridge basalt (MORB) and is not limited to metamorphic and granitic rocks. Singer et al. (2011) present major and trace element compositions and Sr, Nd and Pb isotope ratios from 27 basaltic andesite lava flows that comprise a sequence of four cone-building phases, each erupted from a common central summit vent or nearby flank vents, that have been dated using the $^{40}$Ar/$^{39}$Ar method at between 103–72, 72–60–46 and 35–25 ka. Thus the entire period of mafic cone-building spanned about 75 kyr. Energy-constrained, recharge, assimilation-fractional crystallization modelling (EC-RAFC; Spera & Bohrson 2004; Bohrson & Spera 2007) reveals that during the initial phases of cone growth between about 103 and 35 ka, repeated recharge of a deep magma reservoir system with basalt was likely an important process that modulated the trace element and isotopic composition of erupted lavas. Moreover, the same EC-RAFC modelling suggests that the episodic addition of recharge magma to the mass of magma evolving within the deep crustal storage zone augmented latent heat being released by crystallization, thereby amplifying the role of partial melting and assimilation during the final phase of cone growth 35–25 ka (Singer et al. 2011).

**Samples and analytical methods**

During field campaigns totalling 20 days in 2005, 2007 and 2009, samples were collected from the 1902 airfall deposit and the Santiaguito dome complex. Dacite pumice blocks, scoria lapilli, and angular lithic fragments of granitoid were collected in stratigraphic sequence from three road cuts through the 1902 airfall deposit, including site SM-07-09 that lies 4 km NW of the 1902 crater (14° 8' 46.560" N, 91° 8' 34.480" W, 2631 masl) where the deposit is 95 cm thick, site SM-09-16 that is 8 km SW of the crater (14° 8' 42.905" N, 91° 8' 37.321" W, 1190 masl) where the deposit is 160 cm thick, and at site SM-05-1902 about 3 km from the crater (14° 46.239" N, 91° 35.014" W, 2570 masl) where only dacite pumice was collected (Fig. 2). In addition, samples were collected from seven of the...
more than 30 dacite lava flows that comprise the Santiaguito dome complex, including three lavas erupted between 1939 and 1942 on the La Mitad dome, one from a 1950 eruption of the El Monje dome, two lavas from the El Brujo dome (1972 and 1973 flows), and two samples from the Caliente dome, including a 1972 flow and one from a flow resulting from an eruption in 2002 at the currently active vent (Fig. 2). Portions of the 1939 dacite flow on La Mitad contained dark coloured, fine-grained inclusions of basaltic andesite, 1–10 cm across and with crenulated margins.
that appear to have quenched glassy rims (Rose 1987a), as did the 1972 flow from El Brujo. We collected several of these deposits from these two localities for analysis.

Whereas Santa María cone lavas are highly porphyritic, two-pyroxene olivine-bearing basaltic andesites, dacite pumice in 1902 airfall deposit contains up to 20% phenocrysts of clinopyroxene, orthopyroxene, amphibole, plagioclase, iron tita

Review of Santa María geochemistry

The major and trace element compositions and Sr, Nd and Pb isotope ratios from 27 basaltic andesite lava flows that comprise the Santa María composite cone were presented by Singer et al. (2011). In order to emphasize the profound compositional and temporal bimodality of the entire Santa María–Santiaguito complex, Singer et al. (2011, figs 5 & 6) compared these 27 mafic cone-forming lavas to the historically-erupted dacite tephas and lavas in variation diagrams. The major and trace element compositions from whole rock samples of the historically-erupted materials described in the previous section, including pumice, scoria and lithic fragments collected from the 1902 airfall deposit, and from each of the major phases of the Santiaguito dome complex, plus quenched mafic inclusions in two of the dacite lava domes, are presented in this paper. From a subset of these whole rock samples we also present new Sr, Nd and Pb isotope ratios and δ18O(WR) values. Jicha et al. (2010) present whole rock 238U–230Th isotope compositions from Santa María cone-forming lavas, the 1902 dacite pumice and basaltic andesite scoria, and several Santiaguito dacite dome lavas. Here we report new 238U–230Th isotope compositions from minerals and glass separated from the 1902 dacite pumice and from a dacitic lava that erupted in 1972 to form part of the El Monje dome in the Santiaguito dome complex.

Whole rock major and trace element analyses

Twenty-nine whole rock samples (including three glass separates from 1902 pumice) of 250–500 g each were crushed (tungsten-carbide piston crusher), powdered (aluminum oxide ceramic shatterbox and puck), and analysed for major (X-ray fluorescence) and trace elements (inductively-coupled plasma mass spectrometry, ICP-MS) at the Open University, UK following methods of Rogers et al. (2006). Details on procedures including precision and accuracy are provided in Singer et al. (2011).

Pb, Sr and Nd isotopes

A representative subset of the whole rock samples were analysed for 87Sr/86Sr (18 samples), 206Pb/204Pb, 207Pb/204Pb, 206Pb/208Pb (14 samples) and 143Nd/144Nd (17 samples) at the UW-Madison Radiogenic Isotope Laboratory via thermal ionization mass spectrometry (TIMS, Micromass Sector 54 instrument). Analytical procedures follow those described in Singer et al. (2011). For Pb isotope analyses, instrumental mass bias was corrected empirically based on analyses of NIST SRM-981 (n = 10) and SRM-982 (n = 11) run under similar conditions as samples. The pooled average mass fractionation correction based on the measured 207Pb/206Pb analysis of SRM-981 and the measured 206Pb/206Pb ratio of SRM-982 was 0.00148 ± 0.000045 per amu. Strontium and neodymium isotope measurements were exponentially corrected for mass fractionation using 36Cl/36Ar = 0.1194 and 146Nd/144Nd = 0.7219, respectively. Repeat analysis of NIST SRM-981 yielded an average 87Sr/86Sr ratio of 0.710267 ± 0.000018 (2-SD; n = 30). Duplicate samples of the USGS rock standard BCR-1 were processed through the entire analytical procedure and the measured 87Sr/86Sr ratios were 0.705720 and 0.705938. The measured 143Nd/144Nd for two in-house Nd standards (Ames I and Ames II) are 0.512149 ± 0.000016 (n = 15; 2-SD) and 0.511974 ± 0.000014 (n = 15; 2-SD), respectively. The measured 143Nd/144Nd for La Jolla Nd was 0.511884 ± 0.000015 (n = 6; 2-SD). Duplicate samples of the USGS rock standard BCR-1 measured 143Nd/144Nd ratios were 0.512920 ± 0.000010 and 0.512908 ± 0.000008 (errors are 2-SE in-run statistics).

U and Th isotopes

In addition to two whole rock samples of dioritic lithic fragments in the 1902 airfall deposit, minerals and glass separated from 1902 dacite pumice sample SM-07-09B and dacite lava sample SG-05-01 from the Mitad dome, were analysed for U-Th isotope composition. Solution-based U and Th isotope measurements were obtained using a Micromass Isoprobe multi-collector ICP-MS at UW-Madison’s Radiogenic Isotope Laboratory using procedures of Jicha et al. (2009). Rock
standards including AThO, BCR-1, and AGV-1 were analysed along with variable concentration IRMM-035 and IRMM-036 solutions to monitor accuracy, reproducibility and external precision (details in Singer et al. 2011). The mean 232Th/230Th values for IRMM 035 (87 799 ± 1006; 2-SD; n = 15) and IRMM 036 (326 300 ± 2126; 2-SD; n = 8) are indistinguishable from consensus values (Sims et al. 2008).

**O isotopes**

Whole rock powders were analysed at the University of Wisconsin-Madison by laser fluorination (Valley et al. 1995) using an air-lock sample chamber (Spicuzza et al. 1998) with bromine pentafluoride as the reagent and a 25W CO2 laser. Isotope ratios were measured using a Finnigan MAT 251 dual inlet mass spectrometer. Whole rock powders were analysed at the University of Wisconsin-Madison by laser fluorination (Valley et al. 1995) using an air-lock sample chamber (Spicuzza et al. 1998) with bromine pentafluoride as the reagent and a 25W CO2 laser. Isotope ratios were measured using a Finnigan MAT 251 dual inlet mass spectrometer. Whole rock powders were analysed at the University of Wisconsin-Madison by laser fluorination (Valley et al. 1995) using an air-lock sample chamber (Spicuzza et al. 1998) with bromine pentafluoride as the reagent and a 25W CO2 laser. Isotope ratios were measured using a Finnigan MAT 251 dual inlet mass spectrometer.

Electron probe microanalysis of phenocryst minerals

Epoxy mounts were prepared with separates of plagioclase, iron–titanium oxides, pyroxenes and amphibole phenocrysts from 1902 dacite pumice sample SM-07-09B and scoria sample SM-7-09E. Phenocrysts and their melt inclusions were imaged in back-scattered electron (BSE) mode on the Hitachi S-3400N Variable Pressure Scanning Electron Microscope (VP-SEM) at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Energy Dispersive Spectrometry (EDS) located grains of specific minerals (e.g. orthopyroxene v. clinopyroxene or ilmenite v. titanomagnetite) which then were analysed by Wave-length Dispersive Spectrometry (WDS) on the Cameca SX51 5-spectrometer electron microprobe at UW-Madison. Major element compositions of minerals were obtained using a 1 μm diameter beam with an accelerating potential of 15 keV. Natural and synthetic standards of olivine, pyroxene, plagioclase, amphibole and iron–titanium oxides were used for calibration. Automation and data reductions used Probe for Windows software with the matrix correction of Armstrong (1988). In anticipation of element migration under a focused electron beam (Morgan & London 1996), analyses of plagioclase-hosted melt inclusions employed time-integrated intensities collected at 2 s intervals for 20 s, allowing Na, K and Si concentrations in the glass to be extrapolated to a time-zero value. To obtain a large number of anorthite content profiles of plagioclase phenocrysts, we used greyscale values from the BSE images as a proxy for An content generally following the procedures outlined by Ginibre et al. (2002) and Triebold et al. (2006). The An profiles were calibrated via WDS analyses of 10 points along each profile.

**Secondary Ion Mass Spectrometry (SIMS)** analysis of trace elements in plagioclase

Polished gold-coated epoxy mounts of plagioclase crystals were analysed for K, Mg, Ti, Fe, Sr and Ba using the Cameca ims-1280 ion microprobe at the WiscSIMS Laboratory, UW-Madison. The analysis conditions are after Kita et al. (2004) using high mass resolution mode (mass resolving power of 5000) without energy filtering. The primary beam of O ions with 1 nA intensity was focused to a spot of c. 10 μm in diameter at the sample surface. For each element, secondary ion intensity was normalized to the intensity of the 30Si+ ions. A natural plagioclase standard with known trace element concentrations (Lab1, Kita et al. 2004) was analysed multiple times in the same analytical session, from which relative sensitivity factors of each element were determined. Reproducibility of ratios between respective ions and 30Si+ of repeated analyses of plagioclase standard was better than 3% (1σ).

**SIMS analysis of plagioclase-hosted melt inclusions**

In polished, gold-coated epoxy mounts 2 mm thick, melt inclusions ranging from 30–100 μm across in plagioclase from 1902 dacite pumice sample SM-07-09B were analysed for hydrogen using the Cameca IMS-1280 ion microprobe at the WiscSIMS Laboratory, UW-Madison. A primary beam of Cs+ (20 keV impact energy and 0.6 nA beam current) was focused to a spot of ~8 μm at the sample surface and a normal incidence electron gun was used for charge compensation. General instrument parameters are similar to that of oxygen isotope analysis (Kita et al. 2004). The negative secondary ions of H– and 30Si– were measured using the axial electron multiplier in single collection mode. In order to precisely aim at these melt inclusions, we obtained secondary H– ion images of the sample surface by rastering the primary beam over a 50 × 50 μm areas for three minutes and identified the location of melt inclusions from a hot spot of high H– count rates. Subsequently, we used a stationary primary beam centred on the melt inclusion and detected secondary H– and 30Si–.
ions that were emitted from only the central 2 μm squares of the sputtered area by using a field aperture with opening of 400 × 400 μm (magnification of transfer optics was ×200 from sample to the field aperture). Mass resolving power was set to 3000. The secondary H\(^+\) ion intensities were normalized to that of the \(^{30}\)Si\(^+\) ion and the H\(^+\)/\(^{30}\)Si\(^+\) ratios were obtained after correction for hydrogen background as measured several times on the host plagioclase crystals between measurement of the melt inclusions.

The seven rhyolite glasses used as standards for the hydrogen measurements were produced experimentally from a sample of a natural obsidian flow, and contain between 0.1 and 6.1 wt% H\(_2\)O (Tenner et al. 2010). Electron probe major element compositions, and SIMS data from these glasses can be found in the Supplementary material. The glass standards were analysed multiple times during the analytical session to generate a calibration curve for H\(^+\)/\(^{30}\)Si\(^+\) ratios (Supplementary material). Following SIMS analysis, the SiO\(_2\) content of each analysed inclusion was measured by electron probe and the calibration curve was used to estimate the wt% H\(_2\)O with a precision of about ±3% (1σ; Supplementary material).

**Results**

**Major and trace elements and Sr–Nd–Pb–O isotopes**

The whole rock major and trace element concentrations and Sr, Nd, and Pb isotope ratios are summarized in Table 1. The O isotope results from the whole rock samples of this study, as well as samples of the cone-forming basaltic andesite lavas measured for elemental concentrations and Sr–Nd–Pb isotope ratios by Singer et al. (2011), are summarized in Table 2. Representative plots of K\(_2\)O, MgO, Th, Sr, \(^{87}\)Sr/\(^{86}\)Sr, \(^{143}\)Nd/\(^{144}\)Nd, \(^{206}\)Pb/\(^{204}\)Pb and \(^{18}\)O(WR) v. SiO\(_2\) serve to illustrate the major geochemical and isotopic features of the 1902 eruptive products and to contrast these with the preceding Santa María cone-forming lavas and the subsequently erupted Santiaguito dome lavas (Fig. 3). In the 1902 airfall deposit, dacite pumice contains 64.6 to 67.2 wt% SiO\(_2\), whereas the basaltic andesite scoria has 53.9 to 55.9 wt% SiO\(_2\), thus revealing the strongly bimodal nature of the 1902 magma body distinguished by a >10% gap in SiO\(_2\). Rhyodacitic glass separated from three dacite pumice blocks contains 67.8 to 70.4 wt% SiO\(_2\) and is richer in K\(_2\)O and Th (and other incompatible elements) and poorer in MgO and Sr on average (and other compatible elements) than the bulk dacite pumice (Fig. 3). The 1902 scoria is similar in major and trace element composition to the more SiO\(_2\)-rich of the basaltic andesite lava flows that erupted during the latest cone-forming phase of Santa María volcano between 35 and 25 ka. Lavas comprising the Santiaguito dome complex contain less SiO\(_2\), 62.4 to 64.7 wt%, compared to the 1902 dacite pumice and the quenched inclusions we have measured from two of these flows are remarkably similar to the 1902 scoria with respect to major and trace element composition (Fig. 3). The six fine- to medium-grained diorite to granodiorite lithic fragments we chose to analyse from the 1902 deposit range from 48 to 60% SiO\(_2\), and, with the exception of MgO, are not collinear with the basaltic andesitic cone-lavas of Santa María volcano, instead being scattered with no simple relationship to the volcanic rocks. These results are consistent with, and reinforce, the observations of Rose (1987a) regarding the bimodality of the volcano, and the similarity among mafic and silicic magmas over time. However, owing to vast improvements in analytical precision during the last three decades, and a larger number of measurements than obtained by Rose et al. (1977), the Sr, Nd and Pb isotope results we have obtained reveal several previously unappreciated features of this system.

The \(^{87}\)Sr/\(^{86}\)Sr ratios of 0.703848 and 0.703880 obtained from two blocks of 1902 dacite pumice are similar to that of 0.703837 in the glass separated from a third block; however, these ratios are significantly lower than ratios that range from 0.703897 to 0.703950 obtained from four scoria lapilli from the same eruption (Fig. 3). The Santiaguito dacite lavas (and quenched mafic inclusions) erupted in 1939 from the Mitad dome, 1972 from El Brujo, 1972 and 2002 from Caliente, have \(^{87}\)Sr/\(^{86}\)Sr ratios similar to those of the 1902 dacite pumice; however, lavas from the eruptions in 1950 of El Monje, and 1973 of El Brujo are significantly higher at 0.703905 and 0.703977, respectively (Fig. 3). Notably, the entire range of \(^{87}\)Sr/\(^{86}\)Sr ratios found in the rhyodacite glass, dacite pumice and dacite lava flows erupted in 1902 and afterward is comparable to that of the basaltic andesite lavas that erupted 35–25 ka during the late phase of Santa María cone growth (Fig. 3). With one exception, the diorite–granodiorite lithic fragments span this same range. For the most part \(^{143}\)Nd/\(^{144}\)Nd ratios mirror those of \(^{87}\)Sr/\(^{86}\)Sr. The 1902 rhyodacite glass has a higher \(^{143}\)Nd/\(^{144}\)Nd ratio than the dacite pumice, whereas pumice has a similar ratio to three of the four scoria samples. The 1902 scoria and quenched basaltic andesite inclusion from the 1939 La Mitad dome lava span a range of \(^{143}\)Nd/\(^{144}\)Nd ratios comparable to those of the basaltic andesitic lavas that erupted 35–25 ka during the late phase of Santa María cone growth.
The lithic fragments have higher $^{143}$Nd/$^{144}$Nd ratios than any of the volcanic rocks (Fig. 3). The $^{206}$Pb/$^{204}$Pb ratios of 18.70–18.72 for the 1902 dacite pumice and rhyodacite glass separated from it are slightly higher on average than those of the two scoria samples, 18.68–18.70, and as seen for the other isotopes, all the historically-erupted materials fall within the range spanned by the latest cone-forming basaltic andesite lavas erupted 35–25 ka on Volcán de Santa María (Fig. 3). The lithic fragments have $^{206}$Pb/$^{204}$Pb ratios that fall at the higher end of the range defined by the volcanic rocks.

The $\delta^{18}$O(WR) values of 6.25 to 6.42‰ for most of the cone-forming basaltic andesite lavas correlate positively with SiO$_2$, whereas the youngest of these lavas from the summit of the cone that is $^{40}$Ar/$^{39}$Ar-dated at $\sim$35 ka (Escobar-Wolf et al. 2015).
The youngest cone lava. The Santiaguito dacite pumice is 6.95‰; the latter is identical to that of 2010; Singer et al. 2011) has a much higher value of 6.95‰ (Fig. 3). In the 1902 deposit the basaltic andesite scoria has a δ18O of 6.54‰ and the dacite pumice is 6.95‰; the latter is identical to that of the youngest cone lava. The Santiaguito dacite dome lavas have δ18O between 6.55 and 6.82‰, whereas the quenched basaltic andesite inclusions in two of these lavas are 6.50 and 6.60‰ (Fig. 3), similar to the 1902 scoria. The δ18O values are inversely correlated with 87Sr/86Sr such that the early cone lavas have lower δ18O and higher 87Sr/86Sr than the youngest cone lavas and the dacites that erupted long after cone growth ceased (Fig. 4).

### U–Th isotopes

Whole rock (238U/232Th) and (230Th/232Th) activity ratios of nine historically erupted dacite
pumice, scoria, dacite dome lavas and their inclusions obtained by Jicha et al. (2010) are summarized in Table 3 to provide context for mineral data discussed below. These activity ratios, plus those obtained from 13 basaltic andesite lavas erupted on Santa María volcano between 72 and 25 ka (each corrected for time since eruption using the $^{40}$Ar/$^{39}$Ar ages; Singer et al. 2011), are all in U-excess by between 3 and 26% (Fig. 5). The older cone lavas are on average further from the equiline, lower in the ($^{230}$Th/$^{232}$Th) activity ratio, and thus exhibit a greater degree of U-excess than most of the younger cone lavas and the historically-erupted materials. The 1902 dacite pumice and five Santiaguito dacite dome lavas have remarkably similar ($^{238}$U/$^{232}$Th) and ($^{230}$Th/$^{232}$Th) activity ratios of about 1.26 and 1.16, respectively, whereas the 1902 scoria and basaltic andesite inclusions from two of the dome lavas have slightly lower ($^{230}$Th/$^{232}$Th) activity ratios.

Table 1. Major and trace element, and Sr, Nd and Pb isotope data from whole rock and glass samples in 1902 airfall deposit and Santiaguito dome lavas (Continued)

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of the 1.14. Notably the two magmas that plot nearest to the equiline with the lowest U-excesses include those represented by the 1902 scoria, and one of the youngest basaltic andesite lavas of the Santa María cone (sample SM-07-01 of Singer et al. 2011) that erupted from a vent near the summit of the volcano at ~35 ka (Fig. 5).

The $^{235}$U/$^{232}$Th and $^{230}$Th/$^{232}$Th activity ratios of glass, magnetite, orthopyroxene, and amphibole from the 1902 dacite pumice and from the 1972 Caliente dacite dome lava are reported in Table 3. The activity ratios of glass, magnetite and orthopyroxene in the 1902 dacite pumice yield an isochron of 1.9 ± 2.2 ka (Fig. 6a), whereas glass, whole rock, magnetite and amphibole from the 1972 Caliente dome lava define an isochron of 9.5 ± 2.5 ka (Fig. 6b). Note that the whole rock samples of the 1902 dacite pumice and mafic scoria plot below the 1.9 ka isochron in such a way as to be consistent with mixing of the mafic and silicic melts as discussed below. We interpret these internal isochrons as estimates of the time since crystallization began in the two dacite magmas (e.g. Condomines et al. 2003; Jicha et al. 2005).

When acquiring data from basaltic andesite lavas of the Santa María cone, we discovered that $^{87}$Sr/$^{86}$Sr ratios are inversely correlated with the activity ratio ($^{235}$U/$^{238}$U) which is a measure of U-excess in the magmas prior to eruption (Jicha et al. 2010; Singer et al. 2011). Moreover, we observe that over the last ~75 kyr $^{87}$Sr/$^{86}$Sr ratios have declined, and $^{18}$O values increased as the magmas evolved in composition such that they appear to be closer to a state of secular equilibrium in the U–Th isotope system. With the exception of the dacite lava from the 1973 El Brujo flow, the historically-erupted 1902 dacite pumice (and glass) and other Santiaguito dacite lavas erupted between 1939 and 1972 plot in the group with the smallest U-excesses, lowest $^{87}$Sr/$^{86}$Sr ratios, and highest $^{18}$O values (Fig. 6). Basaltic andesite magmas that also fall in this group are represented by the 1902 scoria and one of the youngest cone-forming lavas on Santa María that erupted between 35 and 25 ka.

### Table 2. $^{18}$O/SMOW values of whole rock samples from Volcán de Santa María lava flows and tephra and Santiaguito dome lavas

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Complete chemical analyses of early and late cone-lavas are in Singer et al. (2011). Complete data for historically erupted materials are in Table 1.
the basaltic andesite scoria contains augite (En38–46 Fs10–19 Wo39–46) and bronzite–hypersthene (En59–80 Fs20–39 Wo0.25–4.0); zoning is subtle, <2 mol%, in both minerals (representative analyses in Table 5). As a check on the T–fO2 estimates from the oxides, temperatures of clinopyroxene and orthopyroxene pairs were estimated using two calibrations of experimental data—one that includes clinopyroxenes with Mg# >0.75 and one that excludes them (Putirka 2008, equations 36 and 37, respectively). Compositions from pyroxene pairs that did not have KD (Fe–Mg) values within three standard deviations of the equilibrium value of 1.09 ± 0.014 were not used to calculate temperatures, and if the two calibrations were within the ±30 °C uncertainty of one another, the average temperature was taken as representative (Table 5). The two-pyroxene temperatures are consistent with those estimated from the two-oxide pairs, suggesting that pyroxene crystallized between 750 and 870 °C in the dacite and between 890 and 1000 °C in the basaltic andesite (Fig. 7). The range of two-pyroxene temperatures to values lower than those recorded by the oxides likely reflects Fe–Mg diffusion and partial re-equilibration during magma ascent that did not affect the iron–titanium oxide
pairs because they were encased within larger host phenocrysts. Using the two-oxide data, we take the temperature of the dacite, 880 ± 8°C, and 1020 ± 8°C for the scoria (using the three highest temperature pairs in Table 4) as our best estimates of pre-eruptive storage conditions for the compositionally zoned magma.

Plagioclase zoning and melt inclusions in 1902 dacite and scoria

The 450 plagioclase crystals imaged and analysed by EMPA display several patterns of zoning, but by far the most abundant are andesine (An44–36) that include one or more irregularly sculpted resorption surfaces characterized by an abrupt rimward increase of 1020 mol% anorthite. About 80% of crystals in the dacite pumice and 70% in the basaltic andesite scoria contain more than one resorption surface, several contain as many as five of these ‘saw-tooth’ zones which are common in mixed or mingled calc-alkaline magmas (e.g. Singer et al. 1995; Humphreys et al. 2006). Trace element profiles show that about half of the anorthite ‘spikes’ are accompanied by significant changes in FeO, TiO2, K2O, MgO, MnO, Ba, and Sr (Fig. 8). Mantles of these phenocrysts – the outermost 10–30% of the radial distance – are not disturbed by resorption surfaces, and commonly contain low-frequency, low-amplitude oscillatory zoning, or are homogenous. About 15% of phenocrysts in the scoria are very calcic, weakly zoned (An93–82), and free of resorption surfaces.

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Abbreviations: wr, whole rock; opx, orthopyroxene; gmass, groundmass.

The whole rock data from lavas and bulk tephra were originally reported in Jicha et al. (2010). They are listed here to provide context for the isotope compositions of minerals and lithic fragments.
Approximately one-third of plagioclase crystals in the 1902 dacite pumice and one-fifth of those in the scoria contain optically clear melt inclusions. The anorthite variations and oscillatory zoning in the crystals that host these melt inclusions are typical, regardless of whether they are found in the dacite or the scoria. The melt inclusions are typically ovoid, up to 50 μm across, are commonly located along resorption surfaces, but can also be found in the cores and, less commonly, the mantles of crystals (Fig. 8). The inclusions range from dacite to high silica rhyolite with between 69 and 79 wt%, SiO$_2$ (anhydrous) and 1.5–3.5% K$_2$O (Fig. 9a). Interestingly, the melt inclusions in the dacite pumice overlap the composition of the rhyodacitic glass separated from the bulk pumice, whereas those in plagioclase from the scoria extend to significantly higher SiO$_2$ and K$_2$O contents (Fig. 9a).

The H$_2$O contents of 20 plagioclase-hosted melt inclusions in the dacite pumice determined by SIMS are between 1.4 and 6.9 wt% (Table 6) and in general H$_2$O declines as K$_2$O increases from about 2 to 3 wt% (Fig. 9b). Given that typical intermediate composition arc magmas contain very low amounts of dissolved CO$_2$ (e.g. below 400 ppm; Bacon et al. 1992; Wallace & Gerlach 1994; Saito et al. 2001; Roman et al. 2006), we assume that the volatile budget in the plagioclase-hosted melt inclusions in the 1902 dacite pumice is 100% H$_2$O. Accordingly, the pressure at which the melt inclusions were trapped was calculated using the program Volatile-Calc (Newman & Lowenstern 2002) indicating minimum values for crystallization of the plagioclase between 170 and 15 MPa, corresponding to depths of about 5–1 km, or greater (Fig. 9c).

**Discussion**

**Deep origin of dacite during volcanic repose**

The decline in $^{87}$Sr/$^{86}$Sr, rise in $^{143}$Nd/$^{144}$Nd, and drop in the degree of U-excess during c. 75 kyr of mafic cone-building volcanism (Figs 3 & 5), led Jicha et al. (2010) and Singer et al. (2011) to infer that during this period several batches of mantle-derived basalt cooled, crystallized, partially melted lower crustal rocks that include a MORB-like component, and that blending of these partial melts with the basalt created hybrid basaltic andesite magmas. In contrast to Heydolph et al. (2012), who propose assimilation of mantle pyroxenite, Singer et al. (2011) interpret the ‘old’ $^{207}$Pb/$^{204}$Pb ratios of the cone-forming mafic lavas to reflect fluid derived from sediment subducted into the mantle wedge. A large fluid flux beneath Santa María helps to explain the exceptionally high $^{238}$U-excesses (Fig. 5) and the strongly oxidized state of these magmas (Fig. 7). The Sr, Nd, Pb, O and U–Th isotope ratios of the historically-erupted dacite pumice and lava and basaltic andesite scoria and quenched mafic inclusions are similar to the youngest cone-forming basaltic andesite lavas that, according to Jicha et al. (2010) and Singer et al. (2011), reflect a greater extent of blending basalt with lower crustal partial melts than do earlier erupted cone lavas owing to the sustained and repeated flux of basalt that progressively heated the lower crust. Development of a MASH-like zone at the base of the crust beneath Santa María was long ago proposed by Rose (1987a) on the basis of major element and sparse trace element data that suggested replenishment of a basaltic
reservoir system in which magmas fractionally crystallized to a greater extent during the last phase of cone-growth. The similarity between the major, trace element and isotopic composition of the 1902 scoria and the last-erupted cone lavas dated between 35 and 25 ka (e.g. Figs 3 & 10) strongly argues that the historically-erupted basaltic andesite magma began to pond deep within the crust, and having either exhausted the supply of readily fusible phases in the crustal wall rocks, or by becoming insulated from these crustal rocks as rinds or envelopes of partly solidified crystal-rich mush formed along the periphery of the MASH zone, or both, it cooled slowly such that fractional crystallization occurred without significant assimilation.

Modelling of four trace elements: K, Rb, Dy and Yb, using the EC-RAFC algorithm of Bohrson & Spera (2007), helps quantify key aspects of how basaltic andesite fractionally crystallized to form the 1902 dacite and illustrates that this behaviour contrasts sharply with that of the earlier period of open-system crystallization, melting and assimilation that affected cone-forming lavas. We chose one of the youngest cone-forming basaltic andesite lavas, sample SM-07-01 from the 3772 m summit of Santa Maria volcano (Singer et al. 2011) as a parental composition with 9681 ppm K, 22.3 ppm Rb, 3.62 ppm Dy and 2.11 ppm Yb. The liquidus temperature of this parent magma was set at 1020 °C based on two-oxide thermometry of the remarkably similar scoria in the 1902 airfall deposit (Fig. 7). The equilibration temperature of the modelled daughter magma was set at 880 °C, based also on two-oxide thermometry of the 1902 dacite pumice. A solidus temperature for hydrous hornblende dacite at lower crustal pressure was estimated at 725 °C based on experiments of Conrad et al. (1988). Heat capacities of the magma and wallrock are identical to those used by Singer et al. (2011) and recommended by Bohrson & Spera (2007) and the initial temperature of the wallrock was assumed to be 775 °C. Given these boundary conditions, the 140 °C drop in temperature from 1020 to 880 °C results in 43 wt% of the basaltic andesite parent magma crystallizing to form cumulate solids. The bulk distribution coefficients that best predict the concentrations of K, Rb, Dy and Yb in the residual melt are 0.09, 0.005, 1.75 and 1.35, respectively, consistent with fractionation of a plagioclase + hornblende + pyroxene + magnetite cumulate (Fig. 10; Davidson et al. 2007).

The O isotope data are consistent with the modelling presented by Singer et al. (2011) wherein the cone-forming basaltic andesite lavas reflect evolution of a deep crustal reservoir through both recharge with basalt and increasing extents of assimilation of a MORB-like component that, relative to the fluid-modified mantle wedge below
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Santa María, is characterized by lower $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ ratios and higher $^{18}\text{O}$ values (Fig. 4).

The O isotope data are also consistent with a closed-system crystallization origin of the dacites from basaltic andesite magma left-over from the cone-building period. It is well known that extensive high temperature crystallization of calc-alkaline magmas has little effect, perhaps increasing by a few tenths permil, on $^{18}\text{O}$ of derivative magmas (Matsuhisa 1979; Singer et al. 1992). Specifically, crystal fractionation of parent magmas similar to the cone-forming lavas at Santa María with between 50 and 54% SiO$_2$ and $^{18}\text{O}$ values of between 6.50 and 6.95‰ could produce the historically erupted dacites. Conspicuously, the youngest cone-forming basaltic andesite lava that we have measured (sample SM-07-01 that was used as a parent magma in the fractional crystallization model) has a $^{18}\text{O}$ value identical to the 1902 dacite and thus represents a potential parent magma for this dacite (Fig. 3). If assimilation has also contributed to the origin of the dacites, the assimilant must have a $^{18}\text{O}$(WR) value similar to that of the late cone-forming lavas.

The $^{238}\text{U}/^{230}\text{Th}$ isochron of $1.9 \pm 1.2$ ka defined by glass, magnetite and orthopyroxene in the 1902 dacite pumice (Fig. 6a) implies that crystals carried to the surface in this magma began to form very shortly before the eruption. That the whole rock sample of 1902 dacite pumice falls below the isochron may reflect mixing between the basaltic andesite, which plots well below the isochron, and the bulk dacite, that lies between the basaltic andesite and the isochron (Fig. 6a). Mixing of the basaltic andesite with the dacite is recorded in detail in the zoning of plagioclase phenocrysts in both of these magmas (Fig. 9) that will be discussed below. More surprising is the $9.5 \pm 2.5$ ka $^{238}\text{U}/^{230}\text{Th}$ isochron defined by glass, magnetite, amphibole and bulk material from the 1972 lava flow on the north flank of the Caliente dacite dome (Figs 2 & 6b). From this isochron, we infer that portions of the dacite magma which now comprise the Santiaguito dome complex that grew via effusive and mildly explosive activity in the decades following the explosive onset of silicic volcanism at Santa María in 1902, began to crystallize several thousand years prior to the 1902 eruption. In this scenario, deeper, occluded reaches of the dacite magma body, perhaps including crystal-rich zones near the cooler, more viscous, periphery of the silicic reservoir, had begun to solidify no later than 10 ky r prior to the Plinian eruption of 1902, but were unable to erupt until decades after the eruption in 1902 of the more silica- and H$_2$O-rich melt layer that capped the system.

The volume of dacite erupted explosively in 1902 is estimated at 8.5 km$^3$ dense rock equivalent (Williams & Self 1982). If our model is correct, the minimum volume of basaltic andesite parent magma required to create the 1902 dacite is about 20 km$^3$. Notably, this is well within the 40–67 km$^3$ of magma estimated to have fuelled the preceding growth of the 8 km$^3$ cone of basaltic andesite that comprises Santa María volcano, based on EC-RAFC modelling that accounts for recharging of the system with mantle-derived magma, assimilation of partially melted crust, and fractional crystallization (Fig. 10c; Singer et al. 2011). Using the thermal model of Hawkesworth et al. (2000) and a cooling time of 25 ky r suggests that a 20 km$^3$ mass of basaltic andesite which drops 140 °C and crystallizes 43% would generate a power output of about 25 MW, which is perhaps an order of magnitude lower than power generated during the preceding period of open-system behaviour during the later period of cone growth. The correspondingly modest and protracted release of heat during 25 ky r of cooling in the deep crust may also explain why evidence that partial melting and assimilation were important in creating a large volume of dacite is absent. If the $9.5 \pm 2.5$ ka $^{238}\text{U}/^{230}\text{Th}$ isochron from the 1972 Caliente flow is...
Table 5. Representative pairs of pyroxene core compositions with \(T\) estimates using equations 36 and 37 from Putirka (2008)

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Oxides in wt%.

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Melt Inclusions in crystal B1-A4

Fig. 8. Representative illustrations of zoning and melt inclusions in plagioclase revealed by backscattered electron images. Core-to-rim profiles of measured anorthite content determined by wavelength dispersive electron probe microanalysis, and FeO, MgO, Ba and Sr contents determined by secondary ion mass spectrometry. The box in the lower left panel with a backscattered electron image is enlarged above to show four melt inclusions typical of those measured for H2O contents. See text for discussion.
representative of when a large portion of the dacite began to crystallize, the 25 MW estimate of power output is a maximum. Alternatively, it seems likely that portions of the dacite magma may have crystallized at various times during the past 25 kyr, depending on where—within the plexus of mushy-to-molten environments of the deep crustal MASH zone—they began to cool.

An additional clue that may bear on the duration of the closed-system fractional crystallization process is the U–Th isotope composition of the quenched basaltic andesite inclusions found in the 1972 El Brujo dacite dome lava and the 1939 La Mitad dacite dome lava (Samples SM-07-04i and -06i; Tables 1 and 3). The two inclusions have nearly identical $(\Delta^{230}\text{Th}/\Delta^{232}\text{Th})$ and $(\Delta^{238}\text{U}/\Delta^{232}\text{Th})$ activity ratios of 1.14 and 1.25, respectively, despite being erupted 33 years apart and from nearly opposite ends, about 2 km apart, of the Santiguito dome complex (Fig. 2). Their $(\Delta^{238}\text{U}/\Delta^{232}\text{Th})$ activity ratio is slightly lower than that of the 1902 dacite pumice and Santiguito dacite dome lavas, consistent with fractionation of amphibole + clinopyroxene in which $\Delta^{230}\text{Th} > \Delta^{232}\text{Th}$ and generation of a slight $\Delta^{238}\text{U}$ excess is to be expected (Brenan et al. 1995). Moreover, the $(\Delta^{230}\text{Th}/\Delta^{232}\text{Th})$ ratio is significantly lower than the dacites by an amount equivalent to 25 kyr of closed-system ingrowth of $\Delta^{230}\text{Th}$ (Fig. 5). These two inclusions are remarkably similar, not only in U–Th isotope composition, but also in major and most trace element concentrations, to the basaltic andesite lava, SM-07-01, used as a parent magma in the fractional crystallization model illustrated in Figure 10.

**New fuel to the fire: the 1902 basaltic andesite and shallow processes**

The Sr, Nd and Pb isotope ratios of the 1902 basaltic andesite scoria are, on average, slightly different than the average ratio of the 1902 dacite pumice or glass (Fig. 3). However, the scoria is lower in $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ than the dacite. Moreover, the scoria has a U–Th isotope composition that is slightly lower in $(\Delta^{230}\text{Th}/\Delta^{232}\text{Th})$ than the 1902 dacite pumice, but significantly lower in $(\Delta^{238}\text{U}/\Delta^{232}\text{Th})$ than either the 1902 pumice or the basaltic andesite inclusions in the 1939 and 1972 Santiguito dacite dome lavas (Figs 5 & 6a). Collectively, these observations indicate that the basaltic andesite scoria produced mainly at the end of the 1902 Plinian eruption is not directly related to the much larger mass of dacite erupted at the onset. Instead, we propose that this basaltic andesite represents an influx of new magma into the MASH zone that, shortly prior to the 1902 eruption, spread out beneath the dacite magma, but was prohibited from mixing across the interface by the contrasts in both density and viscosity of the two magmas. The basaltic andesite supplied heat and perhaps volatiles via diffusion across the interface to the dacite, but, as two-oxide thermometry shows, thermal equilibration, and thus extensive
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Oxides in wt%. H2O determined by SIMS. Minimum pressure calculated using Newman & Lowenstern (2002). Where two independent H2O analyses (H2O 1 & 2) are reported from 6 of the 19 inclusions in the dacite pumice, the average minimum pressure is calculated.
chemical mixing of the two magmas, did not take place (Sparks & Marshall 1986). However, the resulting increase in buoyancy, even if small, may have rapidly promoted convection within the dacite and exsolution of H$_2$O across the upper part of the dacite magma cap (Snyder 2000). In turn, exsolution and vesiculation could have initiated the ascent of magma that led to the Plinian eruption.

Plagioclase zoning and the compositions of melt inclusions provide additional clues about processes that attended the latest stages of evolution of the two magmas that erupted in 1902. The abrupt, large amplitude reversals in plagioclase zoning that occur rimward of resorption surfaces and are commonly accompanied by increases in FeO, MgO, and Sr (Fig. 8) in phenocrysts contained in both the 1902 dacite pumice and scoria, argue that these two magmas mingled physically and that some limited chemical mixing had also begun to take place (e.g. Singer et al. 1995; Humphreys et al. 2006). The remarkable similarity in zoning—including multiple reversals of composition—within the majority of phenocrysts in the two magmas, together with the overlapping composition of melt inclusions trapped in these phenocrysts (Fig. 9a), imply that many plagioclase crystals were exchanged back-and-forth between rhyolitic melt and basaltic andesite magma.

The co-variation of K$_2$O and SiO$_2$ in the plagioclase-hosted melt inclusions (Fig. 9a) is consistent with fractional crystallization of the 1902 dacite magma to produce rhyodacite to high-silica rhyolite melt compositions. Moreover, the drop in H$_2$O with increasing K$_2$O recorded by the vast majority of these melt inclusions is remarkably similar to the behaviour recorded by plagioclase and amphibole-hosted melt inclusions in the dacite pumice and scoria erupted during May to October, 1980 at Mt St Helens (Fig. 9b; Blundy & Cashman 2005). The drop in H$_2$O with increasing K$_2$O is also paralleled by andesite pumice erupted between 2001 and 2004 at Shiveluch volcano, Kamchatka (Blundy et al. 2006). Blundy & Cashman (2005) and Blundy et al. (2006) have proposed that this co-variation reflects decompression-driven crystallization of the melt under water-saturated conditions at both Mt St Helens and Shiveluch volcanoes (Fig. 9c). The co-variation of H$_2$O and K$_2$O in the 1902 Santa María dacite strongly suggests that rapid decompression-driven crystallization of plagioclase from pressures of at least 180 MPa or >5 km depth occurred en route to the surface such that few inclusions experienced syneruptive degassing and most record evolution of residual high silica rhyolite melt (Fig. 9c). If correct, this conclusion suggests that the model of Blundy & Cashman (2005) may apply widely to dacitic magma that erupts explosively in subduction zones around the world.

The exchange of plagioclase crystals between the thermally and chemically contrasting melts led
to the repeated reversals in zoning during mingling and mixing of the two magmas that occurred mainly during magma ascent. It is remarkable that the interaction of these two contrasting magmas en route to the surface – a complication that did not affect the Mt St Helens dacite (Blundy & Cashman 2005; Blundy et al. 2006) – led to complex zoning in plagioclase, but did not obliterate the signature of H2O-saturated decompression of the silicic melts. Perhaps, more importantly, the plagioclase crystals that dominate the phenocryst modes of the 1902 dacite and scoria record mainly late-stage, shallow-level, fractional crystallization that occurred after the large body of volatile-rich dacite had accumulated during an earlier, and likely far more protracted, period of fractional crystallization deep within the crust. Thus, andesitic to dacitic magma erupted explosively at frontal arc composite volcanoes including Mt St Helens (Berlo et al. 2007), Shiveluch (Blundy et al. 2006; Humphreys et al. 2006), and Santa María appears to share a common two-stage crystallization history. At Santa María volcano, a ‘snap-shot’ recording of the early stage of fractional crystallization – corresponding to slow cooling in the deep crust – is reflected in the 9.5 ± 2.5 ka 238U–230Th isochron of the 1972 dome lava and the U–Th isotope composition of quenched mafic inclusions in the dome lavas (Figs 5 & 6b), whereas the later and more rapid decompression-driven crystallization in the conduit during magma ascent to the surface is consistent with the 1.9 ± 1.2 ka isochron from the 1902 dacite pumice (Fig. 6a).

Conclusions

Although in terms of eruptive history and magma compositions, Volcán de Santa María is relatively simple, and strongly bimodal, with 8 km³ of basaltic andesite erupted between about 100 and 25 ka, and >9 km³ of dacite erupted historically, generation of the highly explosive dacite was complex and took place over tens of thousands of years, mainly at depths greater than 5 km during a period of volcanic repose. During c. 75kyr of cone-building, trace element and Sr–Nd–Pb–O and U–Th isotope data indicate that lower crustal heating sufficient to induce partial melting and assimilation involved several pulses of recharging mantle-derived basalt. A fundamental shift in process coincides with the termination of cone-building at 25 ka: the 1902 dacite reflects >40% fractional crystallization of plagioclase + amphibole + pyroxene + magnetite from ~20 km³ of basaltic andesite magma left-over from cone-building that cooled slowly without assimilating significant amounts of additional crust.

Small contrasts in Sr–Nd–Pb isotope ratios, a modest contrast in 818O, and a significant difference in the (238U/230Th) activity ratio between the 1902 scoria and dacite indicate that these two magmas are not strictly consanguineous, rather this basaltic andesite is likely a recent arrival in the system. A glass–whole rock–magnetite–amphibole 238U–230Th isochron of 9.5 ± 2.5 ka for a 1972 Santiaguito dacite lava suggests that deeper, occluded portions of the silicic magma body not erupted in 1902 incubated in the crust for at least 10 kyr, and perhaps longer, prior to the 1902 eruption.

Following fractional crystallization deep in the crust, the final phase of creating the 1902 dacite involved rapid decompression and crystallization of the magma en route to the surface, as has been proposed at other intermediate composition subduction-zone volcanoes. Importantly, the phenocrysts that grew during this late stage of fractional crystallization had little to do with the formation of the dacite itself. Instead, the composition of the dacite reflects mainly slow, hydrous crystallization of amphibole over tens of thousands of years from basaltic andesite ponded deep within the crust. Arrival of an isotopically distinct mass of basaltic andesite into this deep crustal MASH zone may have supplied heat that promoted buoyancy, convection and vesiculation within dacite that, in turn, initiated ascent and the Plinian eruption of 1902.

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