

**MORE Ca AND Ti ISOTOPIC RATIOS IN HIGH-DENSITY, PRESOLAR GRAPHITE GRAINS FROM ORGUEIL.** M. Jadhav<sup>1,†</sup>, E. Zinner<sup>1</sup>, S. Amari<sup>1</sup>, and T. Maruoka<sup>1,\*</sup> <sup>1</sup>Laboratory for Space Sciences and the Physics Department, Washington University in St. Louis, <sup>†</sup>present address: Hawai'i Institute of Geophysics and Planetology, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, 1680 East-West Road, Honolulu, HI 96822 ([manavi@higp.hawaii.edu](mailto:manavi@higp.hawaii.edu)), <sup>\*</sup>present address: Graduate School of Life and Environmental Sciences, University of Tsukuba, Ibaraki 305-8572, Japan.

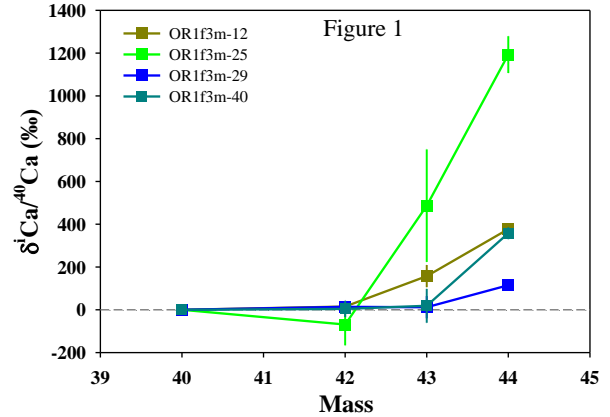
**Introduction:** In a continued effort to better understand high-density (HD) graphite grains, we report on a correlated study of NanoSIMS and Raman measurements of HD graphite grains from Orgueil. A previous isotopic study [1] of <sup>13</sup>C-enriched, HD graphites that contain extreme Ca and Ti anomalies has established that these grains can have multiple stellar sources: supernovae (SNe) and born-again asymptotic giant branch (AGB) stars.

In this study, thirty-nine HD grains from the OR1f ( $\rho \sim 2.02\text{-}2.04 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$ ) density fraction of Orgueil were measured for their K, Ca, and Ti isotopic ratios with the Washington University NanoSIMS. The C, N, O, Si, and Al-Mg isotopic ratios of these grains were reported in a previous abstract [2]. Before the SIMS measurements, full Raman spectra ( $100\text{-}4000 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) of twenty-one of these HD grains were obtained and are reported in another abstract of this conference [3].

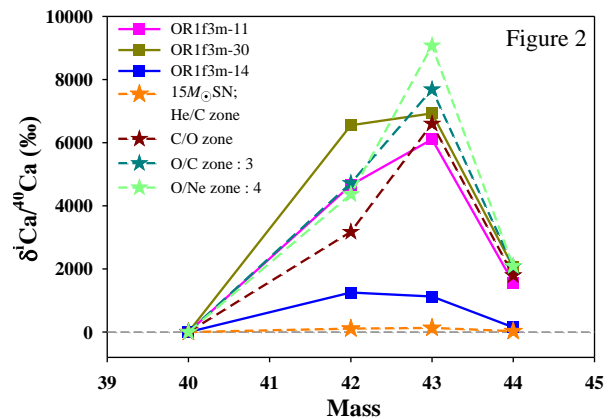
**Experimental Methods:** The K, Ca, and Ti measurements were carried out with an O<sup>-</sup> primary beam in a combination of peak-jumping and multidetection modes. Positive secondary ions of <sup>39</sup>K, <sup>41</sup>K, and <sup>43</sup>Ca (B field 1) and <sup>12</sup>C, <sup>40</sup>Ca, <sup>42</sup>Ca, <sup>44</sup>Ca, and <sup>48</sup>Ti (B field 2) were measured to obtain K and Ca ratios. Ti isotopes were measured using 3 magnetic fields: at B<sub>1</sub> we detected <sup>46</sup>Ti, <sup>48</sup>Ti, and <sup>50</sup>Ti; B<sub>2</sub> – <sup>47</sup>Ti, <sup>49</sup>Ti, and <sup>51</sup>V; and B<sub>3</sub> – <sup>12</sup>C, <sup>40</sup>Ca, <sup>48</sup>Ti, <sup>50</sup>Ti, and <sup>52</sup>Cr. <sup>51</sup>V and <sup>52</sup>Cr were used to correct the <sup>50</sup>Ti signal for isobaric interferences from <sup>50</sup>V and <sup>50</sup>Cr, and <sup>40</sup>Ca was measured to correct for Ca interferences at masses 46 and 48.

**Results: K isotopes.** Most of the grains have normal <sup>41</sup>K/<sup>39</sup>K ratios. Grains OR1f3m-9 and 33, are the only ones with elevated <sup>41</sup>K/<sup>39</sup>K ratios, from which initial <sup>41</sup>Ca/<sup>40</sup>Ca ratios of  $0.0040 \pm 0.0004$  and  $0.0030 \pm 0.0004$ , respectively, can be derived. Most of the HD grains from this and previous studies [1] are highly contaminated with terrestrial K. This is indicated by the large decrease in the <sup>39</sup>K signal during the initial period of each measurement, after which <sup>41</sup>K excesses begin to surface. Thus, it is possible that many more grains contain <sup>41</sup>K excesses due to the decay of <sup>41</sup>Ca ( $t_{1/2} = 1.03 \times 10^5 \text{ a}$ ) that are difficult to detect due to the large <sup>39</sup>K background. Additionally, note that OR1f3m-9 is classified as a kerogen-like grain based on its Raman spectra [3].

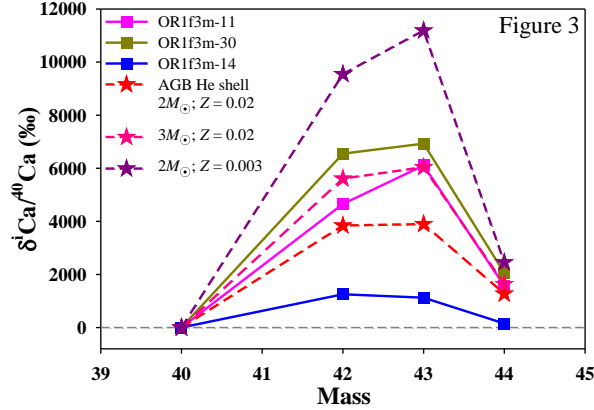
**Ca isotopes.** Grains OR1f3m-12, 25, 29, and 40 exhibit <sup>44</sup>Ca excesses (Figure 1), much higher than expected from neutron capture. Their derived <sup>44</sup>Ti/<sup>48</sup>Ti ratios are as high as  $0.057 \pm 0.004$  (in grain OR1f3m-40). Titanium-44 is only produced by  $\alpha$ -rich freezeout in the Ni and Si/S zones of Type II SNe [4] making these grains bonafide SN grains.



Interestingly, the grains with the high, derived <sup>44</sup>Ti/<sup>48</sup>Ti ratios do not contain the largest Ca anomalies. Carbon-13 enriched grains, OR1f3m-11, 14, and 30, have the largest Ca anomalies, along with nine other grains (OR1f3m-8, 12, 17, 19, 25, 29, 35, 40, 41) that have <sup>12</sup>C/<sup>13</sup>C ratios > 100. Figures 2 and 3 show the Ca isotopic patterns for only the <sup>13</sup>C-enriched grains and their probable stellar sources. Figure 2 attempts to match the very large Ca anomalies in grains OR1f3m-11, 14, and 30 to the Ca isotopic patterns computed for different shells of a  $15M_{\odot}$  type II SN model [5]. While the He/C zone does not match any of the anomalies observed in these grains, the O-rich zones (O/C and O/Ne) can account for the  $\delta^{43,44}\text{Ca}$  values. They cannot, however, simultaneously produce the large  $\delta^{42}\text{Ca}$  value seen in OR1f3m-30.



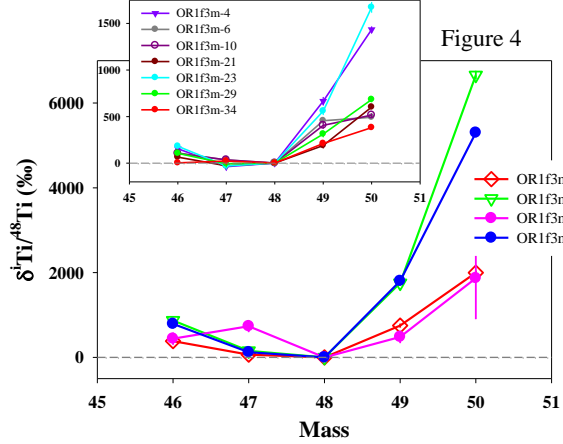
Alternatively, figure 3 shows that the pure He-shell material from  $2M_{\odot}$  ( $Z = 0.02, 0.003$ ) and  $3M_{\odot}$  ( $Z = 0.02$ ) AGB stars can explain the large Ca anomalies seen in these grains. This confirms previous proposals that HD graphites with low <sup>12</sup>C/<sup>13</sup>C ratios and extremely large Ca anomalies originate from born-again AGB stars that experience a very late thermal pulse [1].



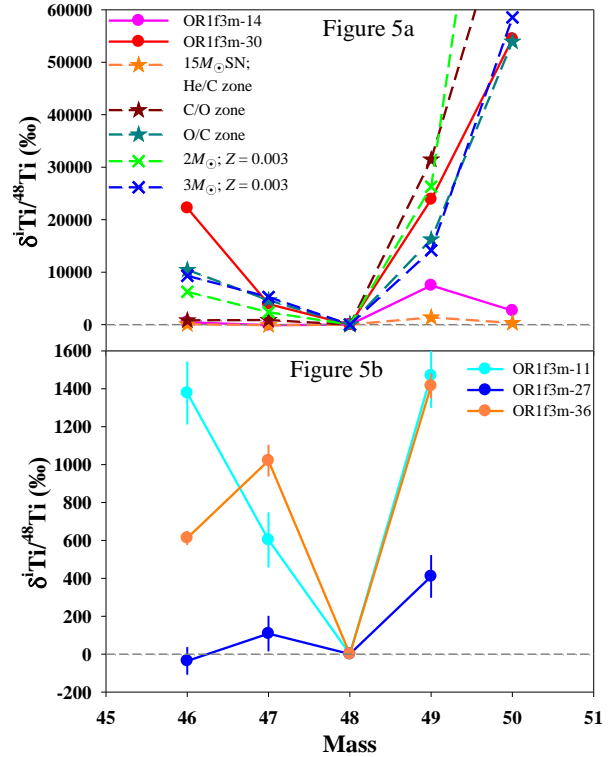
Born-again AGB stars are preferred to a SN source because large Ca anomalies are theoretically expected only in the O-rich zones of the SN, which have extremely high  $^{12}\text{C}/^{13}\text{C}$  ratios; however, admixture of material from these zones to reproduce the Ca anomalies makes the C/O ratio of the grains  $< 1$ , which is not conducive to the condensation of carbonaceous grains. Born-again AGB stars can produce low  $^{12}\text{C}/^{13}\text{C}$  ratios and a C-rich environment, simultaneously with large Ca anomalies (explained in detail in [1]).

*Ti isotopes.* Eleven grains with  $^{12}\text{C}/^{13}\text{C}$  ratios  $> 100$  have large Ti anomalies (Figure 4). The isotopic patterns in most of these grains can be explained by a mixture between the O-rich and He/C zones of a SN. The  $^{47}\text{Ti}$  excess in grain OR1f3m-24 however, cannot be explained by any model and similar  $^{47}\text{Ti}$  excesses have been observed in other grains (e.g. [6, 7, 1]).

Two of the grains with low  $^{12}\text{C}/^{13}\text{C}$  ratios (OR1f3m-14 and 30) have extremely large Ti isotopic anomalies (as well as Ca anomalies; Figure 2). Figure 5a shows the isotopic patterns for these grains. The large  $^{46}\text{Ti}$  excess in grain OR1f3m-30 could be from a large  $^{46}\text{Ca}$  ion signal that the NanoSIMS is unable to resolve during Ti isotopic measurements. The remaining anomalies can be explained by mixing material from the O-rich zones of a SN with the He/C zone or by pure He-shell material from 2 and  $3M_{\odot}$  AGB stars with  $Z = 0.003$ . The shape of the pattern for OR1f3m-14 where the  $^{49}\text{Ti}$  excess is greater than the  $^{50}\text{Ti}$  excess (Figure 5a) can be explained by the He/C zone of a SN. However, the magnitude of the theoretically predicted excesses are much smaller than those seen in OR1f3m-14. We were unable to obtain  $^{50}\text{Ti}$  data for the other three  $^{13}\text{C}$ -enriched grains (OR1f3m-11, 27, and 36; Figure 5b) due to large contributions of  $^{50}\text{Cr}$  to the ion signal. This makes it difficult to determine a stellar source for the grains based on the Ti isotopic patterns. However, OR1f3m-27 and 36 both contain  $^{28}\text{Si}$  excesses [2] that indicate a SN source for these two grains. OR1f3m-36 also has a  $^{47}\text{Ti}$  excess, similar to the one seen in OR1f3m-24 (Figure 4), that cannot be explained by any stellar models.



*Other important observations.* a) The extreme Ti anomalies in OR1f3m-30 are uniformly distributed within the grain, as opposed to being present in Ti-rich subgrains. Some grains like OR1f3m-19 and 25 have their Ti anomalies arising from subgrains. b) One of the two kerogen-like [3] grains (OR1f3m-19) has large Ti anomalies.



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