

ASSESSING A LARGE IGNEOUS PROVINCE (LIPS) CONTEXT FOR VOLCANISM, TECTONICS AND ATMOSPHERIC EVOLUTION ON VENUS.

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Grouping Magmatic Units into Events (LIPs)

TYPES OF UNITS ASSOCIATED WITH LIPS ON EARTH

- Flood basalts
- Plumbing system: Dykes, sills, layered intrusions, magmatic underplate
- Typically linked with mantle plume

Venusian magmatic components

- Large volcanoes (mons)
- Early plains
- Coronae, novae
- Minor components: shield fields, canals
- Large flow fields (flucti)
- Within tesserae?

Can be linked to plumes/diapirs & largest components can be considered LIP analogues (e.g. Head and Coffin, 1997; Ernst and Desnoyers 2007; Hansen 2007)

Graben-Fissure Systems as the Surface Expression of Dyke Swarms

Radiating dyke swarms **Giant circumferential swarms**

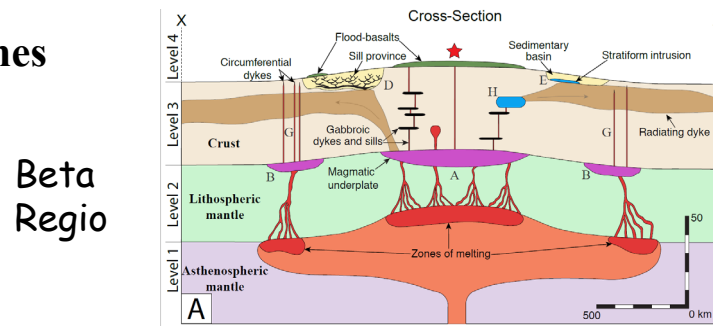
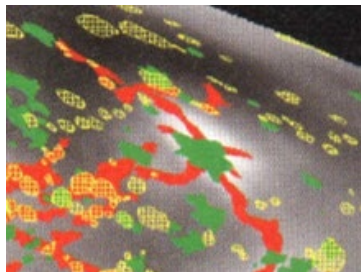
Earth: Matabewan & Mistassini dyke swarms

Venus (radiating graben): Mokos nova

Earth: Lake Victoria event (1385 Ma)

Venus (corona): Aramaiti corona

Link to Mantle Plumes



Venus **Earth**

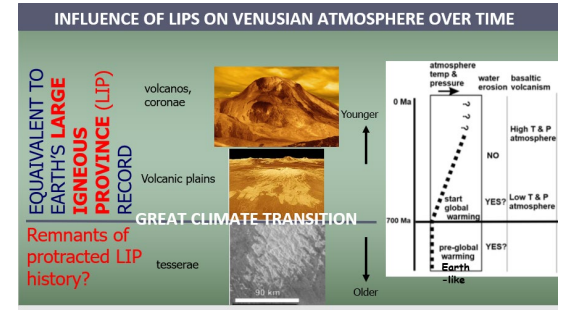
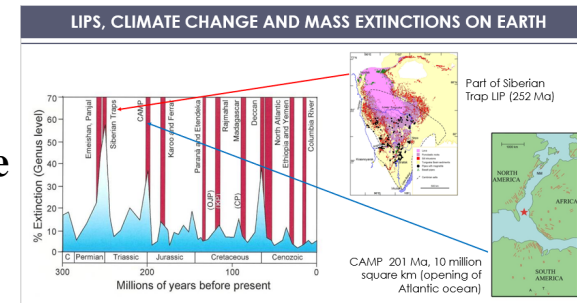
Graff et al. 2018, Icarus; base after Herrick 1999 GRL

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Locating Magma Reservoirs

HUGE FLOW SYSTEM (153,000 KM2) FED FROM SMALL SOURCE AREA (SHALLOW INTRUSION?)

Effect on Climate



Triple junction rifting