

Northwest Africa 11509

- A fresh 500 g stone found in Mali (Irving et al., 2018)
- Relatively coarse grained olivine gabbroic shergottite
- Shock-melted intercumulus zone
- It consists of relatively equant grains of clinopyroxene and olivine with vesicular plagioclase-rich interstitial regions.



Figure 1 : Photo of NWA 11509. Photo courtesy A. Habibi.

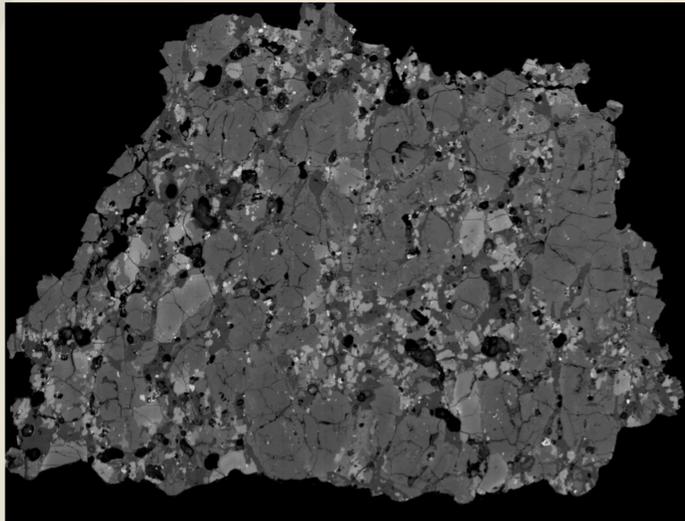


Figure 2 : Back scattered electron images of NWA 11509.

- Mineral mode
 - 50.5 vol. % clinopyroxene
 - 17.1 vol. % olivine
 - 11.1 vol. % vesicles
 - 1.0 vol. % oxides (chromite+ilmenite)
 - 0.2 vol. % pyrrhotite
- Clinopyroxene: pigeonite and subcalcic augite (Fs_{26.3-36.1}Wo_{6.4-21.7}) (Fs_{19.8-27.2}Wo_{33.3-32.9})
- Olivine (Fa_{37.9-57.0})
- Cosmic exposure ages: 2.7 Myr (³He), 3.0 Myr (²¹Ne) similar to those for many other intermediate and some enriched shergottites

Bulk REE Composition

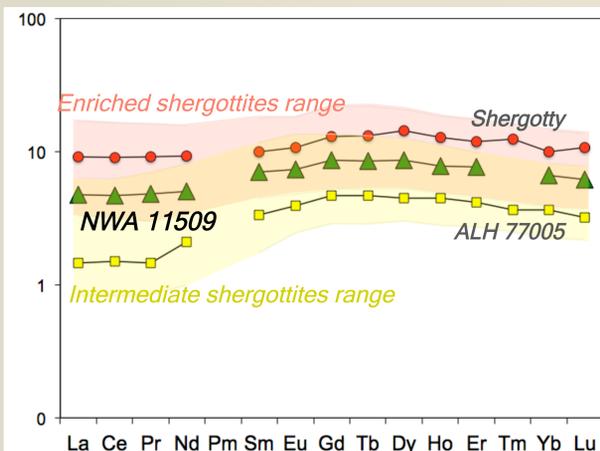


Figure 3 : Bulk REE pattern of NWA 11509 with other shergottites.

The REE pattern shows moderate light REE depletion, elevated heavy REE abundances and a negative Eu anomaly.

- **Intermediate shergottite (?)**

Whole rock Sm-Nd Lu-Hf

- The Sm-Nd analyses of NWA 11509 whole rock a present-day $\epsilon^{143}\text{Nd} = 6.67$ measured $^{147}\text{Sm}/^{144}\text{Nd} = 0.2651$
- The Lu-Hf a present-day $\epsilon^{176}\text{Hf} = 3.60$ measured $^{176}\text{Lu}/^{177}\text{Hf} = 0.01742$

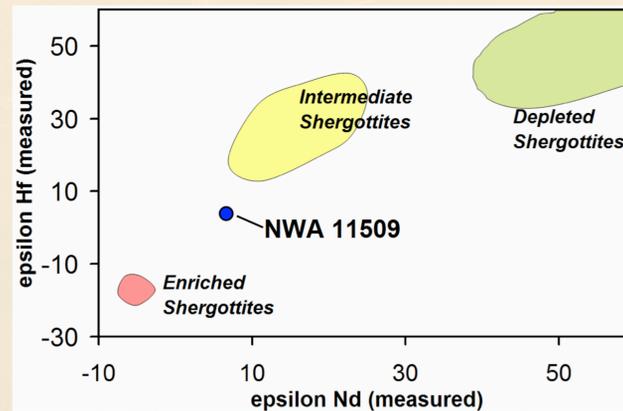


Figure 4 : Radiogenic isotopic compositions of shergottites (data from Irving et al (2015, 2016 and 2017) and our unpublished data.

- **The Nd and Hf isotopic ratios for NWA 11509 falls between the established fields for intermediate and enriched shergottites.**

Lu-Hf isochron age

- Another whole rock analyses using interior piece (WR-chunk) a present-day $\epsilon^{176}\text{Hf} = 5.77$ measured $^{176}\text{Lu}/^{177}\text{Hf} = 0.01669$

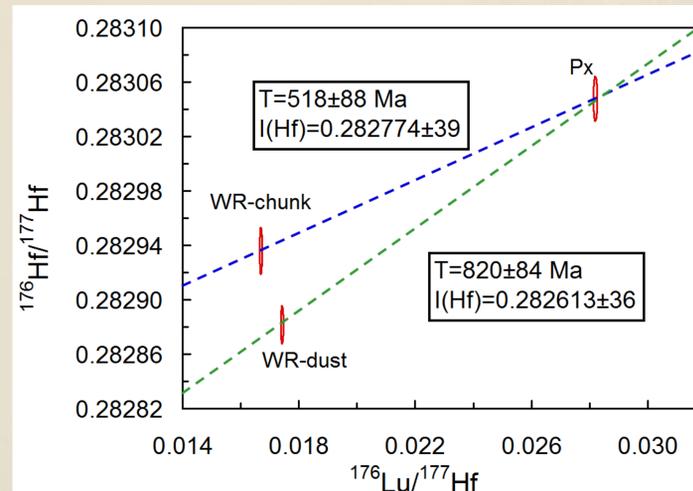


Figure 5 : Lu-Hf systematics for NWA 11509. Error bars are 2σ . 'WR-chunk' = interior fragment, 'WR-dust' = IsoMet cutting dust and 'Px' = hand-picked pyroxene.

- Discrepancy in age of NWA 11509
 - **820 ± 84 Ma (WR-dust and Px)**
 - **518 ± 88 Ma (WR-chunk and Px)**
- **Apparent age range - older than any other ages of intermediate (166-345Ma) and enriched (150-207Ma)**

- **Despite this discrepancy of 2.17 in epsilon Hf values, both 'WR-chunk' and 'WR-dust' results are still significantly different from values for other intermediate and enriched shergottites.**

Source composition

- The modeled source $^{176}\text{Lu}/^{177}\text{Hf}$ and $^{147}\text{Sm}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ isotope ratios are calculated using two stage model assuming a differentiation age of 4.513 (Borg et al., 2003) and the CHUR parameters of Bouvier et al. (2008).
 - source $^{176}\text{Lu}/^{177}\text{Hf} = 0.0495$
 - source $^{147}\text{Sm}/^{144}\text{Nd} = 0.2504$
- The source compositions are plotted on a three component mixing array (Figure 6).
 - 820 Ma : $^{176}\text{Lu}/^{177}\text{Hf} = 0.03797$
 $^{147}\text{Sm}/^{144}\text{Nd} = 0.1957$
 - 518 Ma : $^{176}\text{Lu}/^{177}\text{Hf} = 0.03727$
 $^{147}\text{Sm}/^{144}\text{Nd} = 0.2008$
- It is delivered from source mixtures that are more similar to those that produced the intermediate shergottites than the enriched shergottites.

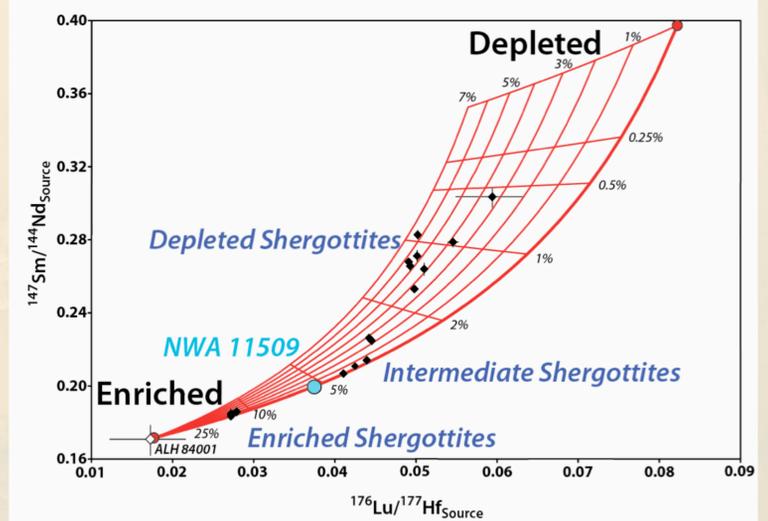


Figure 6 : Source mixing array for shergottite Lu-Hf and Sm-Nd source compositions calculated using equations and mantle source compositions of Debaille et al. (2008). NWA 11509 (light blue), all other shergottites (black diamond) and ALH 84001 (ALH; open). Isotope data used for the source calculations of shergottites are from Lapen et al. (2017) and references therein.

Summary

- NWA 11509 is a unique permafic non-poikilitic olivine gabbroic shergottite.
 - No maskelynite
 - Old 'apparent' age of ~518-820 Ma
- The Lu-Hf and Sm-Nd source composition falls in between in intermediate and enriched shergottites.
- NWA 11509 is derived from source mixtures that are some what similar to those that produced the other known intermediate shergottites, but further extends the observed range in intermediate source compositions for both Lu/Hf and Sm/Nd isotopic systems.

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