



Petrography, Mineral Chemistry and Crystallization Conditions of Oligocene Aged Alabalık Volcanics (Oltu-Erzurum, NE Turkey)

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Abstract

In this study, mineralogical, petrographic, and mineral chemistry analyses of Oligocene-aged Alabalık volcanic rocks (Oltu/Erzurum) in the Eastern Pontides (NE, Türkiye) were revealed. The studied volcanic rocks consist of andesitic, dacitic, and pyroclastic. These rocks consist of plagioclase (An₁₅₋₄₄), hornblende (Mg# = 0,632-0,80), biotite (Mg# = 0,62-0,657), augite (Wo₄₄En₄₂Fs₁₅), and Fe-Ti oxide minerals. They generally exhibit hyalomicrolytic porphyritic, glomera porphyritic, cumulative porphyritic, microlitic porphyritic, poikilitic and intersertal textures. In the studied rocks, disequilibrium textures are observed such as oscillatory zoning, sieve texture and corrosion in plagioclase phenocrysts, and resorbed cores and mantles, rounded crystals, and embayed rims in clinopyroxenes. According to thermobarometric calculations, the crystallization temperatures, pressures and oxygen fugacity values of the studied volcanic rocks range from 800 °C to 1027 °C, 0.7 to 8.8 kbar, and -15.2 to -9.0, respectively. The amphibole-derived estimated water content in the studied volcanic rocks vary from 2.6 to 8.2%. All these features suggest that the magmas that form the studied volcanic rocks had undergone hydrous crystallizations in the shallow to mid-crustal magma chambers.

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1. Introduction

The Eastern Pontide orogenic belt is located east of the Sakarya Zone in the Northern Turkey (Figure 1) and can be considered as one of the most complex and significant segments of the Alpine-Himalayan system due to successive subduction-collision events. The Eastern Pontides are considered a well-preserved arc system (Figure 1), formed of the northward subduction of the Neo-Tethyan oceanic crust beneath the Eurasian plate. Many authors have studied the geodynamic evolution of the region [1-11].

The post-collision geodynamics of the Sakarya Zone in Northeastern Turkey is still actively debated. Recent studies suggest that post-collision extensional tectonics may have started in the Early Eocene period [2, 9, 12-14]. Post-collision magmatism in the eastern Sakarya Zone occurred in an extensional setting beginning from the Early Eocene and persisted over a 15-million-year time interval [7, 15-16], for approximately 10 million years. Subsequently, due to compressional forces from the Oligocene to the Miocene, the eastern part of the Sakarya Zone was

uplifted above sea level [6, 9]. In the Miocene, the Sakarya Zone and the Eastern Anatolian plateau were uplifted [3, 17]. The aim of this study is to investigate the detailed petrography and mineral chemistry of the volcanic rocks observed in the Alabalık region (Oltu-Erzurum). Based on the analyses results, the crystallization conditions of the magmas that formed the volcanic rocks are interpreted in conjunction with regional geology. The study intends to explore the processes of magma development within the crust that led to the formation of these rocks.

2. Regional geology and stratigraphy

The oldest units in the Eastern Pontide Orogenic Belt consist of metamorphic basement rocks from the Early to Middle Carboniferous period, including gneiss, schist, amphibolite, marble, and minor metaperidotites. [18-21] (Figure 1). These rocks are occupied by Middle Carboniferous - Early Permian plutonic rocks [21-27]. Late Carboniferous shallow marine-continental sedimentary rocks, which lie unconformably on metamorphic ground rocks, are observed only in the Pülür region [28-29]. Jurassic

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rocks in the Eastern Pontides include sedimentary rocks containing pyroclastic and clastic [30]. The pre-Jurassic basement rocks are cut by Early and Middle Jurassic intrusive rocks [31-34]. In the Late Cretaceous, the Eastern Pontide magmatic arc developed with northward subduction of the Neo-Tethys along the Sakarya Zone [2-3]. Adakitic and non-adakitic rocks with Early Eocene age (54-48 My) occurred in the final stage of arc-continent collision [12-13, 35-36]. During the Middle Eocene, post-collisional volcano-sedimentary rocks and calc-alkaline shoshonitic plutons developed [6, 8-11, 37-41]. Miocene-Pliocene-Quaternary volcanic rocks, mostly alkali with lower rates of calc-alkali composition, are the youngest representatives of

magmatic activity in the Eastern Pontides [8, 14, 39, 42-46].

The basis units in the study area located in the Alabalık (Oltu, Erzurum) region is the Eocene aged Narman Volcanics, consisting of basalt, andesite and pyroclastics. This unit is unconformably overlain by the Oltu Formation, which consists of yellow-red-green colored conglomerate, sandstone and mudstone, containing Oligo-Miocene aged white colored gypsum and limestone interlayers and coal seams. Alabalık Volcanic rocks [49], consisting of Oligocene aged lavas and agglomerates, conformably overlie the Oltu Formation (Figure 2). Quaternary alluviums are the youngest unit.

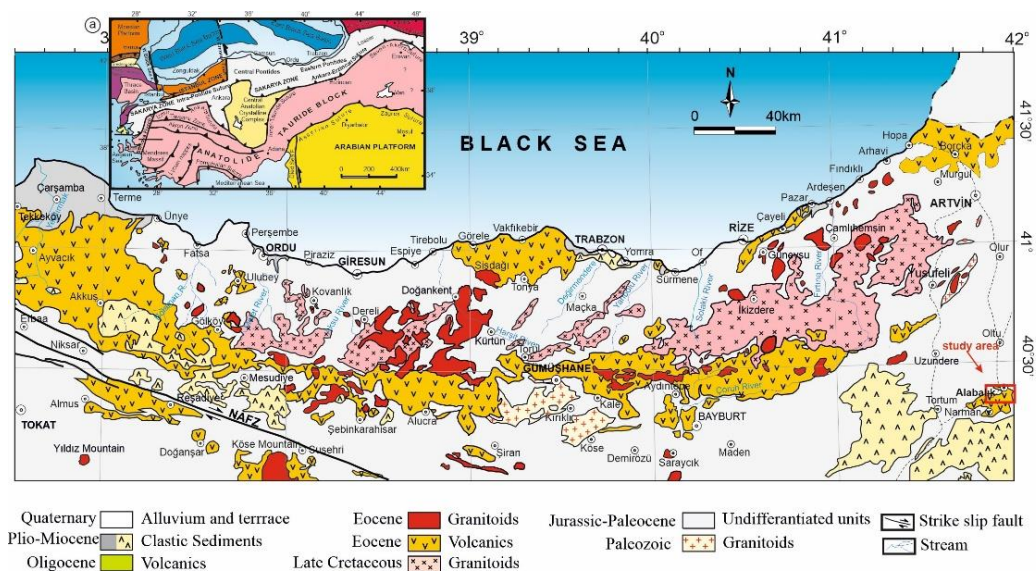


Figure 1. (a) The tectonic units and the main suture zones of Turkey after [47]; (b) the simplified geological map of the Eastern Pontides showing distribution of the Eocene and Oligocene-Miocene-Quaternary volcanic rocks (Modified after [48], [7], and [11]).

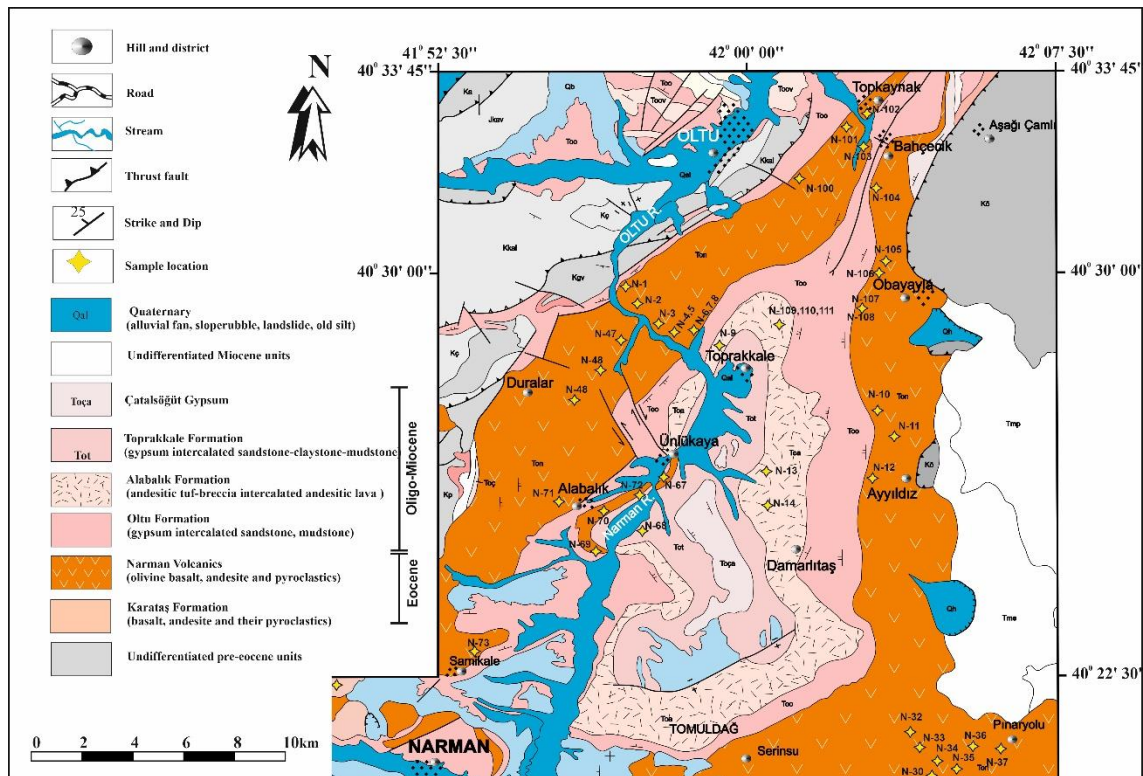


Figure 2. (a) The geological map of the Alabalık (Oltu-Erzurum) area, and the sample locations.

3. Material and Method

During field studies, the rock samples were collected using a GPS device from the volcanic rocks and the surrounding rocks associated with these rocks. Significant surfaces were photographed and documented. Based on the data obtained from all these field studies, a 1/25.000 scale geological map of the region [48] was prepared (Figure 2). Thin sections were prepared to determine the mineralogical and petrographic characteristics of the volcanic rock samples taken from the study area. Plates of 0.5x2x4 cm dimensions were taken from the rocks, and after removing the roughness of one surface, they were attached to a 2.5x5 cm glass with Canada balsam, with a thickness of 1 mm. The rock attached to the glass was thinned with abrasives up to a thickness of 0.025 mm to prepare it for petrographic examination. Thin section samples were prepared in the Thin Section Laboratory of the Faculty of Engineering and Natural Sciences, Gümüşhane University, Department of Geological Engineering.

Mineral chemistry analyses were performed at Bretagne Occidentale University Geoscience Marines (IFREMER) Electron Microprobe Laboratory located in Brest (France). Samples for mineral chemistry

analysis with a CAMECA-SX-100 WDS brand device were prepared as carbon-coated polished sections. The device setting was 15 kV electron bombardment and 20 nA bombardment flow. The count time for Si, Al, Ti, Fe, Mn, Mg, Ca, Na and K elements was set to 10 s. Analyses of hornblende and Fe-Ti oxides used 1 µm point ray while feldspar and mica mineral analyses used slightly defocused (10 µm) rays to prevent losses due to sodium evaporation. Analyses used natural mineral standards of forsterite, diopside, orthoclase, albite, anorthite, biotite, apatite, wollastonite and magnetite. Analyses were carried out with analytic error less than 1% for major elements and less than 200 ppm for trace elements.

4. Results

4.1. Petrography

This unit consisting mainly of yellow-green tuff and agglomerates was originally distinguished as "Alabalık Tuff" by [49]. However, due to its inclusion of various lithologies such as lavas, agglomerates, epiclastics, and others, its name was later changed to the "Alabalık Formation."

The unit is represented by yellow-green-colored, generally thick-bedded or massive tuffs and agglomerates. Agglomerates occur as thick and poorly stratified layers (Figure 3a, b). Intercalations of light-colored andesites are also present. Microscopic

examination of the andesites reveals a porphyritic texture, containing plagioclase (andesine), hornblende, and minor pyroxene phenocrysts; the groundmass is devitrified volcanic glass (Figure 3).

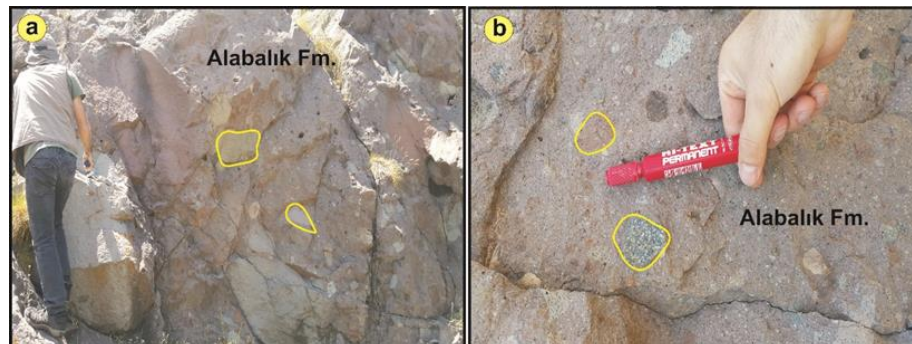


Figure 3. (a, b) Appearance of various-sized andesitic breccia fragments constituting the Alabalık Formation.

Alabalık volcanic rocks shows generally hyalomicroclitic porphyritic, fluidal, and occasionally cumuloaphyric textures. Petrographically, the rocks are composed of plagioclase (plj), hornblende (hbl), biotite (bi), clinopyroxene (cpx), and opaque minerals (op). Plagioclases are generally observed as large euhedral-shaped phenocrysts or megacrysts. A

spongy texture is observed at the edges of the plagioclase and outermost resorption rims and generally exhibits slight zoning. The sieve textures and resorption rims observed in these minerals can indicate disequilibrium crystallization and magma mixing [50]; Figures 4a-d).

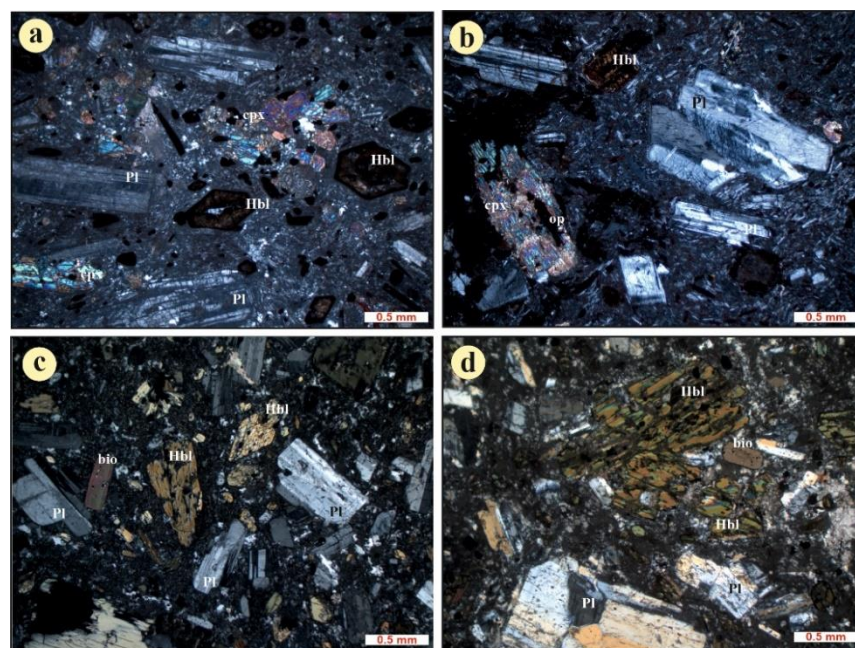


Figure 4. photomicrography showing of andesites within the Alabalık volcanic rocks. (a) Plagioclase phenocryst showing albite twinning and sieve texture, cumuloaphyric texture exhibited by clinopyroxenes, and euhedral opaque hornblende minerals, (b) Clinopyroxene phenocryst containing opaque mineral inclusions and opacification from the edges, (c) Euhedral hornblende and biotite minerals, (d) Hornblende minerals exhibiting glomeroporphyritic texture (Cpx: Clinopyroxene, Pl: Plagioclase, Hbl: Hornblende, Bio: Biotite, Op: Opaque mineral).

Some hornblende crystals also exhibit corrosion and resorption. Biotites are generally observed as euhedral phenocrysts, but sometimes they are also seen as subhedral or anhedral relic crystals (Figures 4c and d). They exhibit a pleochroism in colors ranging from light brown to dark brown. There are occasional opacifications and chloritization on the edges. Clinopyroxenes generally occur as euhedral and subhedral grains. They often show twinning, and some crystals have resorption rims on their edges (Figures 4a and b). Fe-Ti oxides are generally observed as inclusions in hornblende and clinopyroxene minerals in small irregular shapes and sometimes as angular grains in the groundmass (Figures 4a-d). Both phenocrystic and microlitic hornblendes, generally, have euhedral to subhedral crystals (Figure 4), and opacification is observed in the margins (Figure 4c-d).

4.2. Mineral Chemistry

4.2.1. Plagioclase

Plagioclases occur as subhedral to euhedral phenocrysts and microlites. They display commonly normal and reverse-zoned. They are seen as phenocrysts and microlites within other minerals in the form of inclusions. Plagioclases also commonly exhibit albite twinning and sieve textures.

Plagioclase, which is mostly observed as phenocryst in andesites, is generally in the composition of oligoclase and andesine (An_{44-15}) (Table 1, Figure 5). The phenocryst plagioclase comprises compositions ranging from An_{44} to An_{15} in the core, and from An_{48} to An_{31} in the rim, respectively. The composition of the microlites is andesine, ranging between An_{45} and An_{37} . In samples showing reverse zoning, the core compositions range between An_{15} and An_{42} , while the rim compositions vary between An_{34} and An_{48} (Figure 5).

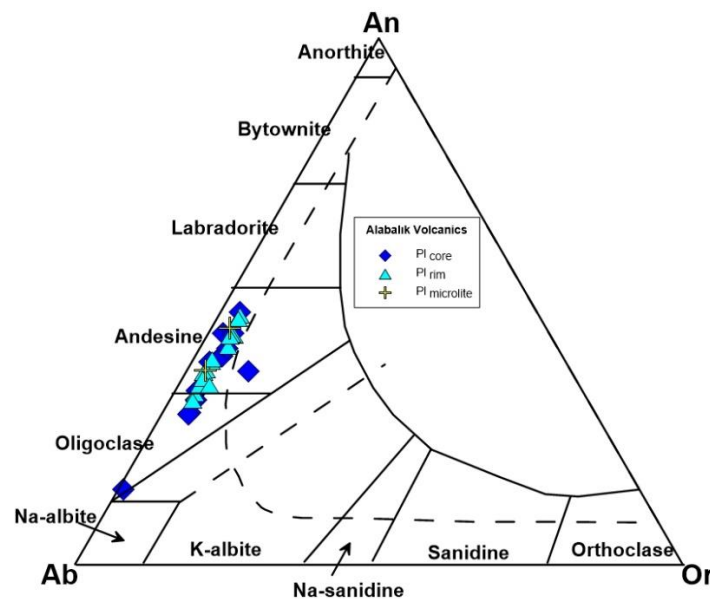


Figure 5. The Ab-An-Or diagram for plagioclase in andesites within the Alabalık volcanic rocks.

4.2.2. Hornblende

One of the important ferromagnesian minerals observed in the Alabalık volcanic rocks in the Oltu (Erzurum) region is hornblende. Hornblendes are generally twinned, large, and euhedral to subhedral, often found in association with biotite and Fe-Ti oxide minerals (Figures 6a and b). Their edges are partially opaque, and they exhibit well-developed twinning in two directions (Figures 6a and b). According to [50],

the opacifications occurring along the cleavages and edges of hornblendes are explained by the release of volatiles in the crystal during the rise of the magma to shallower sections and the reaction of the crystal with the melt. According to [51], the samples are classified as calcic compositions (Figure 7a) and are magnesio-hastingsite, pargasite, and edenite (Figure 7b). The Mg# (Mg number) of amphiboles varies from 0.63 to 0.80.

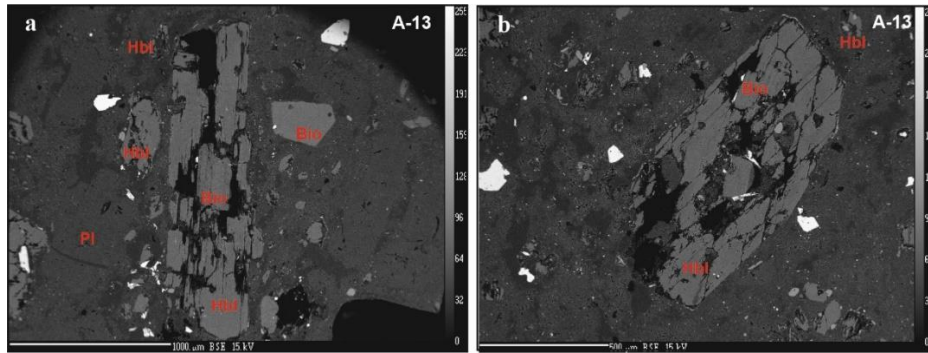


Figure 6. The 'BSE' (Backscattered Electron) images of the hornblendes, a, b) Some of large hornblendes contain biotite (Bio) and opaque minerals (Op).

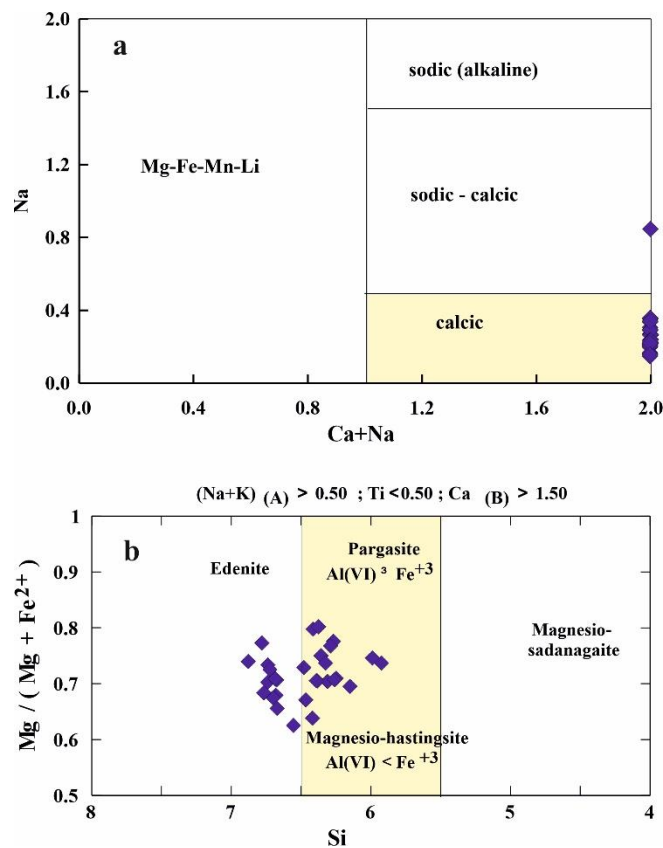


Figure 7. (a and b) The composition of amphiboles [51]. Symbols are as Fig. 5

Table 1. Minimum and maximum values of microprobe analyzes for plagioclase, hornblende, clinopyroxene, biotite and Fe-Ti oxide

	Plagioclase					Hornblende			
Rock types	Andesite (n=22)		Dacite (n=28)		Rock types	Andesite (n=13)		Dacite (n=18)	
	min	max	min	max		min	max	min	max
SiO ₂	55.71	64.50	54.66	60.84	SiO ₂	40.57	43.91	42.78	47.10
Al ₂ O ₃	23.56	27.72	24.32	28.83	TiO ₂	2.57	3.55	1.26	2.19
FeO	0.10	0.61	0.19	0.41	Al ₂ O ₃	9.85	13.92	7.05	11.73

CaO	2.84	10.15	5.87	10.62	FeO	9.71	11.72	11.13	14.28
Na₂O	5.49	9.05	5.13	7.83	MnO	0.12	0.22	0.14	0.36
K₂O	0.07	1.66	0.29	0.74	MgO	14.42	15.16	13.30	14.99
Total	99.10	100.19	98.36	100.32	CaO	11.31	11.83	10.49	11.42
Si	10.05	11.30	9.88	10.86	Na₂O	2.24	2.82	1.39	2.27
Al	4.87	6.08	5.12	6.14	K₂O	0.84	1.27	0.45	0.84
Fe⁺²	0.01	0.09	0.03	0.06	Total	96.85	98.51	96.44	97.45
Ca	0.53	1.96	1.12	2.06	Si	5.91	6.40	6.24	6.87
Na	1.93	3.08	1.80	2.72	Ti	0.28	0.39	0.14	0.24
K	0.02	0.38	0.07	0.17	Al^{iv}	1.59	6.15	1.12	1.75
An	14.69	48.45	28.56	52.43	Al^{vi}	0.00	0.32	0.09	0.38
Ab	48.78	84.85	45.88	67.27	Fe⁺²	0.79	1.40	0.92	1.74
Or	0.45	9.78	1.69	4.17	Fe⁺³	0.00	0.63	0.00	0.73
* structural formula on the basis of 23 oxygen atoms * n= sample number, min: minimum values, max: maximum values					Mn	0.01	0.03	0.02	0.05
					Mg	3.13	3.29	2.89	3.26
					Ca	1.77	1.85	1.64	1.79
					Na	1.27	1.59	0.57	1.28
					K	0.16	0.24	0.08	0.16
					Mg#	0.69	0.80	0.63	0.77

Table 1. continued

	Clinopyroxene			Biotite			Fe-Ti oxide			
Rock types	Andesite (n=14)		Rock types	Andesite (n=8)		Rock types	Andesite (n=7)		Dacite (n=6)	
	min	max		min	max		min	max	min	max
SiO₂	51.17	53.10	SiO₂	32.96	46.27	SiO₂	0.00	0.60	0.01	0.80
TiO₂	0.20	0.63	TiO₂	1.62	4.66	TiO₂	0.28	36.29	3.57	28.36
Al₂O₃	1.09	2.74	Al₂O₃	7.15	14.97	Al₂O₃	0.32	1.36	0.36	2.20
FeO*	7.00	8.95	FeO	13.07	15.47	Cr₂O₃	0.04	0.18	0.01	0.21
MnO	0.25	0.51	MnO	0.08	0.35	FeO	53.23	89.92	65.59	84.76
MgO	14.35	16.16	MgO	12.95	15.43	MnO	0.22	0.83	0.15	1.49
CaO	21.00	22.71	CaO	0.00	11.16	MgO	0.06	2.86	0.52	1.00
Na₂O	0.28	0.67	Na₂O	0.37	1.94	CaO	0.02	0.40	0.01	0.17
Total	99.35	101.26	K₂O	0.76	8.84	Total	90.01	93.17	93.03	96.58
Si	1.93	2.00	Total	91.33	98.07	Si	0.00	0.19	0.00	0.24
Ti	0.01	0.02	Si	2.62	3.30	Ti	0.07	8.52	0.82	6.48
Al	0.05	0.12	Ti	0.09	0.26	Al	0.12	0.50	0.13	0.79
Fe⁺³	0.13	0.40	Al	0.60	1.32	Cr	0.01	0.05	0.00	0.05
Fe⁺²	-0.18	0.15	Fe⁽ⁱⁱ⁾	0.78	0.97	Fe⁽ⁱⁱⁱ⁾	0.00	15.68	2.86	13.03
Mn	0.01	0.02	Mn	0.01	0.02	Fe⁽ⁱⁱ⁾	0.00	13.96	8.61	13.85
Mg	0.81	0.91	Mg	1.37	1.70	Mn	0.06	0.22	0.04	0.39
Ca	0.85	0.92	Ca	0.00	0.85	Mg	0.03	1.33	0.24	0.46
Na	0.02	0.05	Na	0.05	0.27	Ca	0.01	0.14	0.00	0.06
Wo	42.46	44.56	K	0.07	0.85	* structural formula on the basis of 32 oxygen atoms				
En	41.44	45.33	Mg#	0.62	0.66					
Fs	11.44	14.62								

Mg#	0.74	0.80	* structural formula on the basis of 22 oxygen atoms	
* 6 oxygen atoms				

4.2.3. Clinopyroxene

Clinopyroxenes mostly occur as euhedral and subhedral phenocrysts. Coarsely crystalline and euhedral clinopyroxenes in the rocks generally show zoning and occasionally a sieve texture. Structural formulas of clinopyroxenes were calculated according to 6 oxygen (Table 1). Clinopyroxenes in the andesite samples (Table 1) are classified as augite according to [52] (Figure 8). The composition of clinopyroxene, which is found as an inclusion, is augite. One of the samples shows zoning. The core of the zoning sample

is diopside and the rim is augite (Table 1). The composition of augite is $Wo_{42-44}En_{41-45}Fs_{11-15}$, while the $Mg/(Mg+Fe^{+2})$ ratio is between 0.74 to 0.80. The inclusion augite has a composition of $Wo_{44}En_{42}Fs_{15}$, and its $Mg/(Mg+Fe^{+2})$ ratio is 0.74. The sample showing zoning has the composition of $Wo_{45}En_{44}Fs_{12}$ diopside in the core and the composition of $Wo_{44}En_{43}Fs_{13}$ augite at the rim, and the $Mg/(Mg+Fe^{+2})$ ratio is 0.80 in the core and 0.78 at the rim.

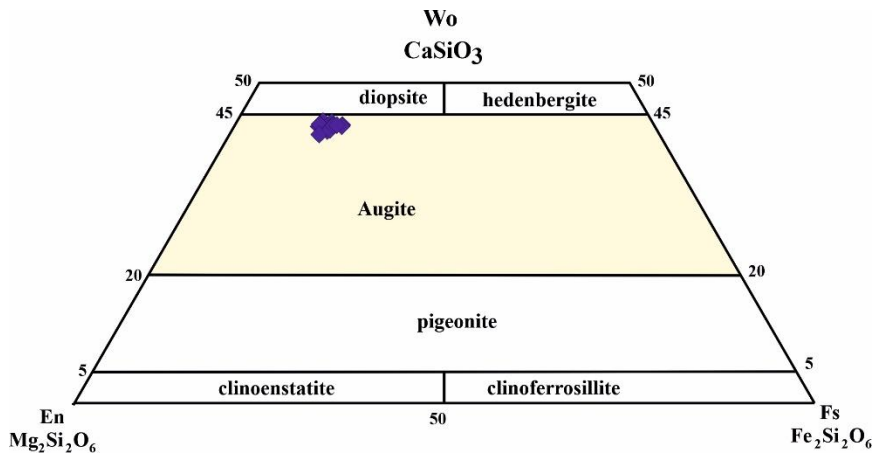


Figure 8. Classification diagram of pyroxene [52]

4.2.4. Biotite

Biotite occurs generally large and euhedral to subhedral. They are often found in association with clinopyroxene, Fe-Ti oxide minerals, and as inclusions within hornblende minerals (Figure 6).

Their edges are partially resorbed, and they exhibit well-developed cleavage in one direction. Biotites are in phlogopite composition (Figure 9). $Mg/(Mg+Fe^{+2})$ values of phlogopites vary between 0.62 and 0.65 (Table 1).

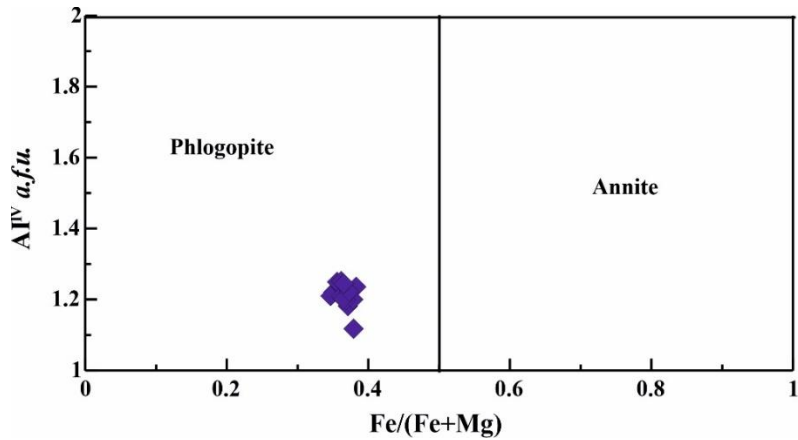


Figure 9. Biotite from the studied volcanic rocks on classification diagram [53]

4.2.5. Fe-Ti oxides

The Fe-Ti oxide in association with clinopyroxene and hornblende minerals, and their occasional occurrence as euhedral inclusions within these minerals, indicates relatively earlier crystallization. Fe-Ti oxides are

generally found as inclusions in clinopyroxene and hornblende minerals, and in the composition of titanomagnetite and magnetite in the groundmass (Table 1, Figure 10).

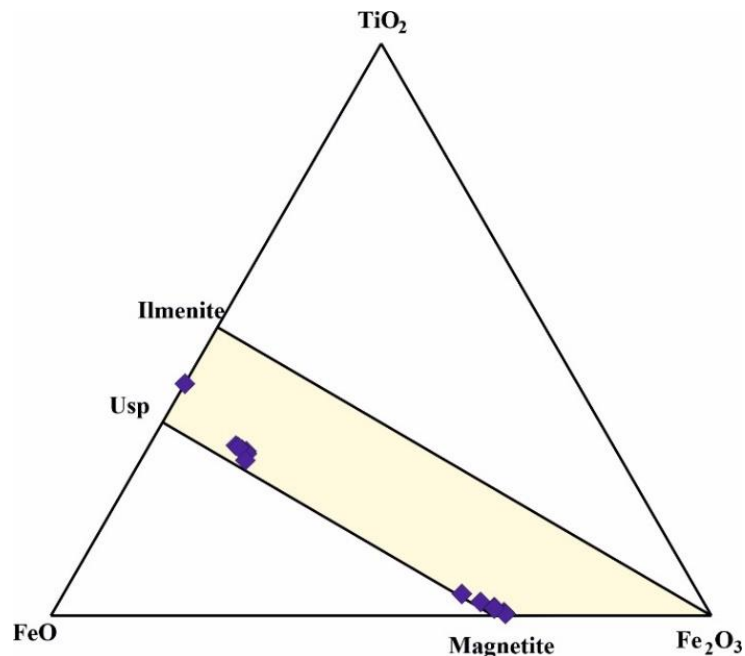


Figure 10. Classification ternary diagram [54]

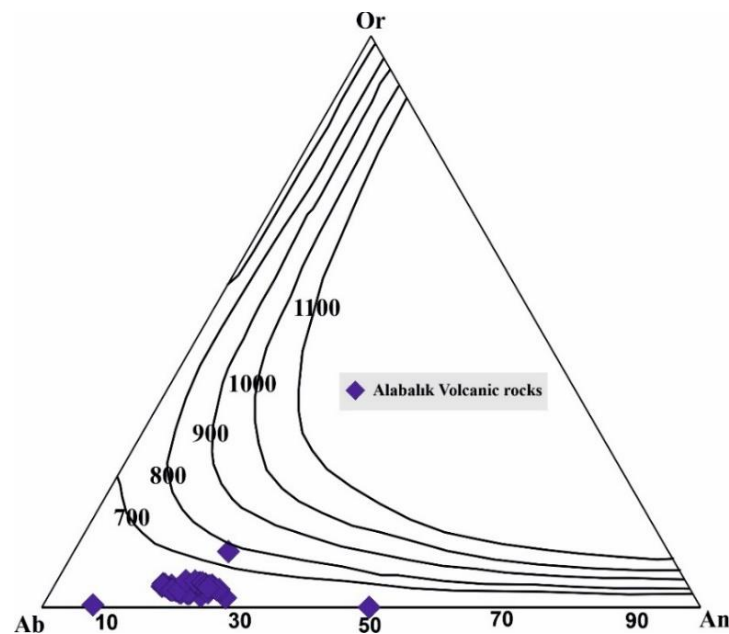


Figure 11. Determination of the crystallization temperatures of the plagioclases in the Alabalık Volcanics on the Ab-An-Or triangle diagram (temperature curves taken from [55]).

5. Discussion

5.1. Thermobarometric Calculations

5.1.1. Feldspar thermometer

The chemical compositions of the feldspars in the andesitic volcanic rocks are shown on the Ab-An-Or diagram for [55] geothermometer calculations (Figure 11). The Ab-An-Or contents of the plagioclase minerals are plotted on this diagram, the crystallization temperatures of the feldspars (plagioclase) in the Alabalık volcanic rocks generally vary from 600 to 800°C (Figure 11; Table 1).

5.1.2. Hornblende-plagioclase thermometer

According to the studies conducted by [56] using rocks from different geological areas, the temperatures calculated from rocks forming andesitic volcanic breccias range from 836 to 969 °C (average = 888 °C) (Table 3).

5.1.3. Amphibole thermobarometry, oxygen fugacity and hydrometer

[57] and [58] used microprobe analysis of amphiboles to estimate the P, T, H₂O content, ΔNNO , and $f\text{O}_2$ of the rocks. Additionally, pressures calculated according to [57] were between 1.3 and 8.4 kbar (mean = 3.2) (Table 2), with the temperatures of 820-1027 °C (mean = 902) (Table 3) for the Alabalık Volcanic rocks. According to [58], the estimated crystallization pressures are 1.3 ile 8.4 kbar (mean = 3.2), with the temperature values of 810-988 °C (mean = 904 °C), respectively (Table 2 and 3).

The pressure (P) of hornblende in the Alabalık volcanic rocks between 2.2 and 8.1 kbar (avg. = 4.7 kbar) according to [59], 2.1-8.8 kbar (mean = 5.0 kbar) according to [60], 1.7-6.7 kbar (mean = 3.8 kbar) according to [61] and 2.8-8.4 kbar (mean = 5.2 kbar) according to [62] (Table 2).

Another important factor in crystallisation processes in magmatic rocks is oxygen fugacity ($f\text{O}_2$) which is defined as partial pressure of oxygen. Oxygen fugacity controls the pressure-temperature correlations in melts and affects the stability intervals for rock-forming minerals. The oxygen fugacity values ($\log_{10} f\text{O}_2$) calculated with the approach proposed by [63], were between -15.2 to -12.6 for Alabalık volcanics (Table 4). The oxygen fugacity values calculated according to [57], using the Mg content of hornblendes in the volcanics are, respectively between -11.8 to -9.0 (Table 4). According to [57] and [58], the relative oxygen fugacity (ΔNNO) varies from 0.7-1.6 and 1.2-4.1, respectively.

The mean water (H₂O) content calculated according to [57] is 2.6 to 6.7 %, while mean water content was 4.1-8.2 % for volcanic rocks according to [58] (Table 4).

5.1.4. Biotite thermobarometry

The pressure and temperature values with biotite minerals [64] vary from 750-850 °C (mean. = 800 °C) and 0.7-1.5 kbar (mean = 1.5 kbar) [65] for the Alabalık Volcanic rocks (Table 2 and 3).

Table 2. The pressure estimates for the plutons calculated using hornblende-Al, hornblende and biotite barometers.

Alabalık Volcanics (n*)	P1 (kbar) [60]	P2 (kbar) [61]	P3 (kbar) [62]	P4 (kbar) [63]	P5 (kbar) [57]	P6 (kbar) [57]	P7 (kbar) [57]
	27	27	27	27	27	27	14
Min.	2.2	2.1	1.7	2.8	1.1	1.3	0.7
Max.	8.1	8.8	6.7	8.4	6.0	8.4	1.5
Avg.	4.7	5.0	3.8	5.2	2.5	3.2	1.3
Avg Deth (km)	17.6	18.3	14.1	19.2	9.1	12.0	5.0

* n: the number of analyses, depth was taken as 1kbar=3.7 km for the continental crust [66]

Table 3. The temperature estimates calculated using hornblende-plagioclase.

Alabalık volcanics (n*)	T °C [56]	T °C [57]	T °C [58]	T °C [64]
	27	27	27	14
Min.	836	820	810	750
Max.	969	1027	988	850
Avg.	888	902	904	800

* n: the number of analyses

Table 4. Oxygen fugacity and water content for plutons calculated using hornblende and biotite minerals.

Alabalık Volcanics (n*)	[57]			[58]		[63]
	ΔNNO	$f\text{O}_2$	H_2O	ΔNNO	H_2O	$f\text{O}_2$
	27	27	27	27	27	14
Min.	0.7	-11.8	2.6	1.2	4.1	-15.2
Max.	1.6	-9.0	6.7	4.1	8.2	-12.6
Mean	1.1	-10.8	4.8	2.2	5.7	-13.9

* n: the number of analyses

5.1.5. Clinopyroxene thermobarometry

[67] and [68] proposed a pyroxene geothermometer in which isotherm curves representing various temperature values were on the Di-Hd-En-Fs pyroxene quadrilateral, creating a thermometer diagram (Figure 12). The compositions of pyroxenes plotted on this diagram must satisfy the condition $\text{Wo}+\text{En}+\text{Fs} \geq 90$. When the compositions of the clinopyroxene minerals are plotted on this diagram, the crystallization temperatures of clinopyroxenes generally range between 600-800°C in volcanic rock samples (Figure 12).

[69] performed experimental observations and calculated the Fe-Mg exchange constant $K_D(\text{Fe-Mg})$ for clinopyroxene-melt equilibrium to be 0.27 ± 0.03 . The calculated results of the studied rocks show temperatures ranging from 1129 to 1183 °C and pressures ranging from 4.9 to 8.6 kbar (Table 5).

The corresponding crystallization depth for the obtained average clinopyroxene pressure values is 18-29 km (for continental crust, 1 kbar = 3.7 km, [66]). This indicates that the volcanic rocks are situated within the shallow to mid-crustal magma chambers.

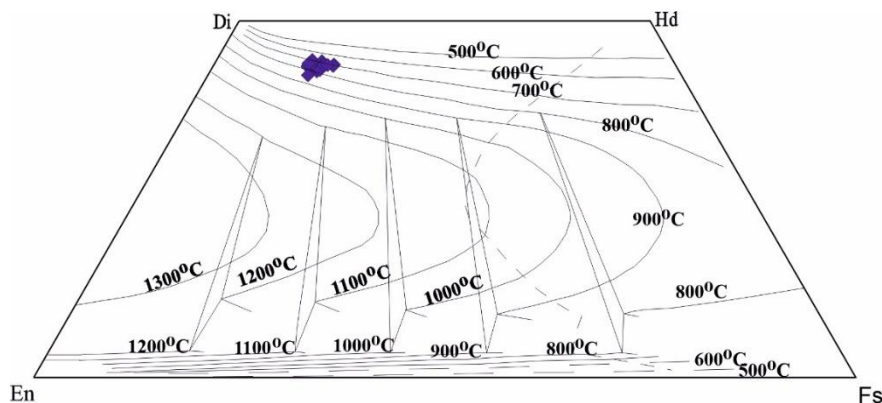


Figure 12. Di-Hd-En-Fs pyroxene quadrilateral showing the compositions of clinopyroxenes in the Alabalık Volcanics. Isotherm curves are constructed at intervals of 100°C and under 1 atm pressure [67, 68]

Table 5. Clinopyroxene temperature and pressure calculations

	[69]	
	T (32d, °C)	P (32c, kbar)
Alabalık Volcanics (n*)	6	6
Min.	1129	4.9
Max.	1183	8.6
Avg.	1162	7.3
Avg. Dept. (km)		25.9
* n: the number of analyses, depth was taken as 1kbar=3.7 km for the continental crust [66]		

6. Conclusion

- Petrographically, the studied volcanic rocks comprise of mainly plagioclase, hornblende, biotite, clinopyroxene and Fe-Ti oxide minerals.
- They have some textural features indicating disequilibrium crystallization such as; sieve and oscillatory zoned plagioclase, the presence of normally and reversely zoned plagioclase in the same sample, the poikilitic textures.
- According to thermobarometer estimations, the investigated volcanic rocks have pressures from 4.9 to 6.8 kbar, temperature from 1129 to 1183 °C, oxygen fugacity values from -15.2 to -9.0 and water contents of 2.6-8.2 %.
- Considering field, petrographic and thermobarometric data, the magmas that forms the studied volcanic rocks had undergone hydrous crystallizations in the shallow to mid-crustal magma chambers.

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