

Quenchable water-rich aluminous post-stishovite, and implications for seismic scatterers in the lower mantle

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Abstract

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1. Introduction

The stishovite structure (tetragonal, $P4_2/mnm$) distorts slightly to the CaCl_2 -type structure (orthorhombic, $Pnmm$) at 50 GPa. A few studies have suggested that the CaCl_2 type may undergo a phase transition to a mineral named seifer-
5 tite with the scrutinyite ($\alpha\text{-PbO}_2$) structure (orthorhombic, $Pbcn$ or $Pb2n$) within mantle pressures

Tsuchida and Yagi (1989) Andrault et al. (1998) Kingma et al. (1995) Ono et al. (2002) Lakshtanov et al. (2007) Lakshtanov et al. (2005) Singh et al. (2012) Panero and Stixrude (2004) Bromiley et al. (2006) Litasov et al. (2007) Chung
10 and Kagi (2002) Holland and Powell (2011) Stixrude and Lithgow-Bertelloni (2011) Cottaar et al. (2014)

2. Experimental and analytical techniques

3. Chemical composition

4. Conclusions

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Figure 1: Single crystal XRD spectra of post-stishovite

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