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Re-Os systematics of HMAs and basalts in the Setouchi volcanic belt, SW Japan: Implications for mantle - melt interaction

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Primitive high-magnesian andesites (HMAs) and basalts in the Setouchi volcanic belt exhibit large variations both in abundance and isotopic ratios of osmium, with 1870s/1880s ranging from 0.1718 to 0.2041 and [Os] ranging from 8.1 to 11.5 ppt for HMAs and 1870s/1880s ranging from 0.1556 to 0.1769 and [Os] ranging from 31.0 to 53.7 ppt for basalts. The obtained 1870s/1880s ratios are weakly correlated with 1/[Os]. Such characteristics may be explained by variable degrees of interaction between mantle wedge peridotites and partial melts of the subducting sediments, because Os could be partitioned more strongly into silicate melts than aqueous fluids. On the contrary, primitive basalts in the NE Japan arc possess 1870s/1880s ratios of 0.137 - 0.139, which are much lower than those of Setouchi lavas and are in the range of mantle peridotite values in arc tectonic settings. Such Os isotopic signatures may be elucidated by addition of slab-derived fluids rather than slab-melts.