Japan Geoscience Union Meeting 2010

(May 23-28 2010 at Makuhari, Chiba, Japan)

©2009. Japan Geoscience Union. All Rights Reserved.



SGC065-05

会場: 301A

時間: 5月23日10:00-10:15

マグマオーシャン中での鉄、シリケイトの分離過程における熱と化学元素の分配過程のシミュレーション

Thermal distribution and metal-silicate partitioning resulting from planetary core formation in a magma ocean

市川 浩樹^{1*}, Stephane Labrosse², 亀山 真典¹

Hiroki Ichikawa^{1*}, Stephane Labrosse², Masanori Kameyama¹

¹愛媛大学地球深部ダイナミクス研究センター, ²リヨン高等師範学校

¹GRC, Ehime Univ., ²ENS Lyon

It has been long known that the formation of the core transforms gravitational energy into heat and is able to heat up the whole Earth by about 2000 K. However, the distribution of this energy within the Earth is still debated and depends on the core formation process considered. Iron rain in the surface magma ocean is supposed to be the first mechanism of separation for large planets, iron then coalesces to form a pond at the base of the magma ocean.

A simple estimate of the metal-silicate partition from the P-T condition at the base of the magma ocean, which must coincide with between silicate liquidus and solidus by a single-stage model, is inconsistent with Earth's core-mantle partition. P-T conditions where silicate equilibrated with metal are far beyond the liquidus or solidus temperature for about 700K [Wade and Wood 2005]. Although the base of the magma ocean must be placed between the liquidus and solidus temperature, temperature in the middle of the magma ocean would be higher than the liquidus because of the release of gravitational energy.

In this study, we made 1D numerical calculations of the whole magma ocean using a parameterization based on a direct numerical simulation of a 10cm-scale emulsion of liquid iron in liquid silicates. The maximum temperature is obtained at the boundary between the metal pond (or the core if the whole planet is liquid) and the silicate layer. Therefore, the metal pond is thermally stable and the remaining silicate magma ocean is thermally unstable. Then we estimated the depth of the magma ocean as more than 2000km by chemical distribution.

キーワード:マグマオーシャン,コアマントル分配

Keywords: magma ocean, core mantle partitioning