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# Volcanic gas studies to infer magma dynamics, transport and storage

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- Critical role of gases in volcanic and other processes
- Gas measurement techniques
- Volatile exsolution, degassing processes, quiescent degassing
- Supercritical fluids
- Constraints on source processes for geophysical and volcanological observations
- Endogenous growth of volcanoes

## Volatiles are prime drivers of volcanic activity



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Villemant and Boudon, EPSL, 1999

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## Volcanic degassing plays a major role in Earth's climate, particularly through CO2



## Volcanic gas compositions reflect mantle melting processes

<b>Volcano</b> Tectonic Style Temperature	Kilauea Summit Hot Spot 1170°C	Erta`Ale Divergent Plate 1130°C	Momotombo Convergent Plate 820°C
H <sub>2</sub> 0	37.1	77.2	97.1
CO <sub>2</sub>	48.9	11.3	1.44
SO <sub>2</sub>	11.8	8.34	0.50
H <sub>2</sub>	0.49	1.39	0.70
CO	1.51	0.44	0.01
H <sub>2</sub> S	0.04	0.68	0.23
HCI	0.08	0.42	2.89

From Symonds et al., 1994

## Volcanic gas compositions reflect crustal-magma interactions



Iacono-Marziano et al., Role of non-mantle CO2 in the dynamics of volcano degassing: The Mount Vesuvius example Geology 2009, Mike Burton INGV - PASI Workshop

## Volcanic gases mediate geophysical phenomena



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## Volcanic gas fluxes are controlled by magma fluxes



Mt. Erebus, Antarctica, Sweeney et al., JVGR, 2008

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#### Supercritical H2O and CO2

The main components of magmatic gases are H2O and CO2

These gases are often modelled as ideal gases, whose density increases linearly with pressure.

Instead, they are non-ideal, supercritical fluids at magmatic temperatures and pressures.



#### Supercritical H2O and CO2

Solvent	Molecular weight	Critical temperature	Critical pressure	Critical density
	g/mol		<u>MPa (atm)</u>	g/cm <sup>3</sup>
<u>Carbon</u> <u>dioxide</u> (CO <sub>2</sub> )	44.01	304.1	7.38 (72.8)	0.469
<u>Water</u> (H <sub>2</sub> O) (acc. <u>IAPWS</u> )	18.015	647.096	22.064 (217.755)	0.322

At critical point H2O is 4.4 times denser than an ideal gas, and CO2 3.6 times

#### Supercritical H2O and CO2



Water density is highly non-linear wrt P

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## Volcanic gas measurement techniques

- Gas flux
- Gas composition
- Gas sampling
- In-situ direct measurement
- Remote sensing, from ground, air and space

## Gas Sampling: Giggenbach bottles



## Gas Sampling: Filter Packs



## Gas Sampling: Pumping CO2 into dry bags

## In-situ direct measurements: MultiGas



## In-situ direct measurements: Soil Gas CO2 flux



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#### Remote sensing: Space



## Retrieving time series of SO2 emissions from MODIS imagery: Mt. Etna







Fig. 5. MODIS and FLAME SO<sub>2</sub> flux comparison for the best matching wind speed offsets found by inspection for (A) 3rd of December 2006 and (B) 6th of December 2006 eruption events.

Reconstruction of SO<sub>2</sub> flux emission chronology from space-based measurements Luca Merucci <sup>a,\*</sup>, Michael Burton <sup>b</sup>, Stefano Corradini <sup>a</sup>, Giuseppe Giovanni Salerno <sup>c</sup>

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## Remote sensing: Beer-Lambert Law



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Transmittance is  $I/I_0 = \exp(-\varepsilon cI) = \tau$ 

Therefore observed intensity is  $I_0.exp(-\varepsilon cI) = I_0.\tau$ 

Adding more gases produces a multiplicative effect, e.g.

 $\mathbf{I} = \mathbf{I}_0 . \tau_{\text{gas1}} . \tau_{\text{gas2}} . \tau_{\text{gas3}} . \tau_{\text{gas4}} ...$ 



















#### Helicopter-borne measurements of SO<sub>2</sub> flux



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## Fixed networks for SO2 flux monitoring



## Fixed networks for SO2 flux monitoring: Etna


### MiniDOAS networks: Montserrat



Fig. 2 The scanning and light collection devices used with both fixed scanning spectrometers at Soufrière Hills Volcano, Montserrat



Fig. 6 Methodology for calculating plume height and position from the SO<sub>2</sub> concentration and angular data from the two fixed scanning spectrometers in Montserrat.  $\Phi_1$  and  $\Phi_2$  are calculated from  $\Delta_1$  and  $\Delta_2$ , the scan angles for the peaks in SO<sub>2</sub> concentration measured during one revolution. Tan  $\Phi_1=h/x_1$  and tan  $\Phi_2=(h+50)/x_2$ , where *h* is plume height. The height difference between the two spectrometers is 50 m (from GPS data) and  $x_1+x_2=2,800$  m, the horizontal distance between them.



Fig. 1 Map of southern Montserrat to show the locations of the two fixed scanning spectrometers at Lovers Lane and Brodericks and the weather station, providing wind (plume) speeds. The plume is shown in its most common azimuthal position

M. Edmonds · R. A. Herd · B. Galle · Bull Volcanol (2003) 65:578–586 C. M. Oppenheimer

# Automated, high time-resolution measurements of SO<sub>2</sub> flux at Soufrière Hills Volcano, Montserrat

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## MiniDOAS networks: Stromboli and Etna



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Three-years of SO<sub>2</sub> flux measurements of Mt. Etna using an automated UV scanner array: Comparison with conventional traverses and uncertainties in flux retrieval

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### MiniDOAS networks: NOVAC



Network for Observation of Volcanic and Atmospheric Change (NOVAC)—A global network for volcanic gas monitoring: Network layout and instrument description

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## MultiGas + DOAS Networks = CO2 & SO2 Flux monitoring

- CO2/SO2 ratio increase can be produced by increase in CO2 or decrease in SO2
- Fluxes allow unique interpretation of the gas variations
- This reveals degassing from different depths in the Stromboli system
- Empirical data leads to new models of eruptive processes

### MultiGas + DOAS Networks: Stromboli



Figure 2. (a) Daily averages of  $CO_2$  fluxes (in tonnes per day) from Stromboli's summit crater plume, from May 2006 to November 2008. (b) A detail of the 1 February to 15 April period. Typical errors for  $CO_2$  fluxes are ~39%.



Unusually large magmatic CO<sub>2</sub> gas emissions prior to a basaltic paroxysm

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### The SO2 Camera



Figure 1. Transmittance of the filters A and B with SO<sub>2</sub> absorption cross-section between 280 and 360 nm.

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GEOPHYSICAL RESEARCH LETTERS, VOL. 33, L24804, doi:10.1029/2006GL027916, 2006

The SO<sub>2</sub> camera: A simple, fast and cheap method for ground-based imaging of SO<sub>2</sub> in volcanic plumes Mike Burton INGV - PASI Workshop Toshiya Mori<sup>1</sup> and Mike Burton<sup>2</sup>

#### The SO2 Camera

MORI AND BURTON: IMAGING VOLCANIC PLUMES WITH SO2 CAMERA (b) Row:150 pixel amount (ppmm) (d)-- y=6146x 1200 Row:220 pixel £ 1500 R<sup>2</sup>= 0.99962 800 E 1000 400 o" 500 SO, F 0.1 0.2 0.3 0 Apparent Absorbance 150 200 250 300 350 400 450 500 50 100 1500 (a) (C) 50 50 1000 100 100 SO<sub>2</sub> amount (ppmm) 150 150 200 200 250 250 300 300 350 350 -1500 400 400 Col: 100 pixel 450 -2000 450 Col: 300 pixel

**Figure 3.** (a)  $SO_2$  column amount image of the volcanic plume at 14:09:54. The scale on the left is in ppm.m of  $SO_2$ . (b) Horizontal distribution of the  $SO_2$  column amount at 150 (blue) and 220 (green) row pixels. (c) Vertical  $SO_2$  column amount at 100 (blue) and 300 (green) column pixels. (d) The result of a calibration of the  $SO_2$  camera using calibration cells.

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### The SO2 Camera



Figure 4. (a) Cross-correlation of temporal variations in integrated profiles calculated between the 300th and 400th vertical columns. The derived time lag was 45.6 s over a distance of  $\sim$ 244 m (100 pixels at 2.44 m width each), resulting in a wind speed of 5.4 ms<sup>-1</sup>. (b) Temporal variations of SO<sub>2</sub> flux obtained from profiles of the 400th vertical column. Note the sudden increase related to a puff of gas.





### The SO2 Camera: Advantages

- Resolves two main sources of error in fixed networks , plume velocity and plume height
- Allows high frequency sampling rates, comparison with geophysical parameters

### The SO2 Camera: Disadvantages

- More complex data analysis compared with older methods
- Large data rates (up to 200 MB / minute)
- Not quite ready for use as an automatic monitoring tool



Fig. 3. Time-sequence of SO<sub>2</sub> column amount images of a single homito eruption that occurred at 14:28:48. Images were collected every 2 s starting at 14:28:44. Each pixel has a equivalent size at the distance to the explosive plume (~650 m) of 0.5 m ×0.5 m. The images are 150 × 380 pixels corresponding to 75 m × 190 m at the plume.



# SO<sub>2</sub> Camera: Stromboli Explosions

Quantification of the gas mass emitted during single explosions on Stromboli with the  $\mathsf{SO}_2$  imaging camera

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## SO<sub>2</sub> Camera: Santiaguito Explosions



Degassing processes during lava dome growth: Insights from Santiaguito lava dome, Guatemala ASP. Holland et al. / Journal of Volcanology and Geothermal Research 202 (2011) 153-166

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### SO<sub>2</sub> Camera: Fuego VLP events



**Figure 4.** Temporal correlation between Type 3 VLP events (solid line in a) and SO<sub>2</sub> emission rate (dots in a) plotted for about 90 min on 15 January 2008. Masses computed for each of the six events are listed

WAITE ET AL.: VLP EVENTS AND ERUPTION VARIABILITY

### Scattered sunlight UV measurements





### Some potential magma tectonic interaction

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- To first approximation all S is lost during ascent to the surface

#### Mass Balance from S and SO2

Typical SO<sub>2</sub> fluxes from Etna are 3000 tonnes of SO2 per day ( $0.6 \times 10^{12}$  g/yr)

It's a lot. Typical of a large unfiltered coal-burning power station.

Indeed the total SO<sub>2</sub> emission from volcanoes (while very poorly constrained) is estimated to be about 10% of that produced by human activities

7.5–10.5×1012 g/yr S, amounting to 10–15% of the annual anthropogenic sulfur output (70×1012 g/yr S during the decade 1981–1990) Halmer et al., 2002

Note that Etna is 5% of global volcanic S emissions -> suggests underestimate

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173,000 m3 of magma per day.

What is Etna doing most of the time, in terms of activity, while processing this voluminous magma supply?



#### Endogenous growth of persistently active volcanoes

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#### Endogenous Growth

TABLE 1 Thermal and SO <sub>2</sub> flux data for some persistently active volcanoes								
Site/year of observation	Area (m²)	Effective radiation temperature (°C)	Surface heat flux (MW)	Magma influx model (A) (kg s <sup>-1</sup> )	Magma influx model (B) (kg s <sup>-1</sup> )	SO <sub>2</sub> flux (kg s <sup>-1</sup> )	Magma influx from SO <sub>2</sub> (kg s <sup>-1</sup> )	Eruption rate (kg s <sup>-1</sup> ) (period)
Halemaumau 1880 (refs 5, 6)	65,100	272	460	3,000	560		_	300 (1823–1923)
Kupaianaha 1987–88 (ref. 8) Kilauea	2,300	272	16	110	20	_	—	~10,000
1986 (refs 23, 26)	_	—	_	_		13.5±4.6	14,000	(Observed recent output)
1992 (P. Allard)	_	—	—	_		9.25	9,300	0.3 (?Since antiquity)
Etna 1975–1987 (ref. 31)	_	_	_	_		$46.3\pm9.0$	46,000	~1,000 (1759–1974)
Nyiragongo 1959 (ref. 18) Erta 'Ale	13,125	650	620	4,000	750	12.6	13,000	
1973 (ref. 19) 1986 (ref. 32)	7,600 30,600	573 176	260 100	1,700 670	320 130	0.58	580	
Masaya 1979 (ref. 21) Frebus		_	_		_	13.9	25,000	(since 16th C)
1985 (ref. 22) 1987 (ref. 32)	35,100	137	84 	540 —	100	0.59	 590	
1987 (ref. 32) 1989 (ref. 33)	34,200	171	110	730	140	 27.5	28,000	450 (1984–1993)

Thermal flux estimates are made mostly from satellite observations<sup>32</sup>. Effective radiation temperature is defined as  $T_e = (E/\sigma)^{0.25}$ , where *E* is the radiant emittance and  $\sigma$  is the Stefan–Boltzmann constant. Heat fluxes combine radiative and convective losses estimated for the given  $T_e$ , but exclude sub-surface conductive and hydrothermal losses. Magma influxes calculated from heat losses are given for models (A) and (B) of Fig. 1. SO<sub>2</sub> fluxes were determined by correlation spectrometer (COSPEC), except for Erta 'Ale and Nyiragongo which were determined by chemical methods. Errors in thermal fluxes are discussed in ref. 32. SO<sub>2</sub> fluxes are reported directly from cited references; errors are often not given. Magma influxes based on SO<sub>2</sub> data were determined for 0.05 wt% degassable sulphur in melt, as at Kilauea, except for Masaya, for which petrological data were available. Eruption rate for Láscar is dominated by the single 1993 eruption volume.

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FIG. 2 Cross-sections of Kilauea (top) and Stromboli (bottom) to same scale, showing postulated overall similarities in two-dimensional internal structure, and mode of growth by flank displacement and cumulate formation. Kilauea section from ref. 13, based on seismic data; Stromboli section schematic, based on maps and sections in refs 27 and 28, and sources cited therein. The rotational faults illustrated are based on "shovel-shaped faults" first proposed by Rittman<sup>27</sup>; sub-volcanic cumulates are inferred from geochemical evidence and sections in ref. 28. Lithospheric flexure illustrated is conjectural. Stromboli's geodynamic setting is poorly understood, but the volcano is thought to be constructed on continental crust 15–20 km thick.

Patrick Allard

Fable.	Sulfur	Output	and	Magma	Degassing	Budget	of	Etna,
1975-1	995.			-				

Year	SO <sub>2</sub> output			Deg			
	(tons)			(			
	Range <sup>§</sup>	Average <sup>#</sup>	Eruptive	Erupt.	Unerupt.	Total	
	$(10^{3}/d)$	(10 <sup>6</sup> /y)	(10°/y)	$\mathbf{V}_{E}$	$V_U$	VD	$V_U/V_D$
1975	2.7-4.8	1.5	0.07	13	252	265	0.95
1976	1.3-12.4	1.5	0.09	16	249	265	0.94
1977	1.0-5.5	1.5	0.08	15	250	265	0.94
1978	3.2-4.3	1.5	0.28	49	216	265	0.81
1979	0.8-1.5	1.5	0.04	8	257	265	0.97
1980	2.5-6.3	1.5	0.01	3	262	265	0.99
1981	4.0-8.0	1.5	0.19	34	231	265	0.87
1982	9.0-11.5	1.5	0	0	265	265	1.00
1983	2.2-3.3	1.5	0.57	100	165	265	0.62
1984	4.3-5.5	1.5	0.06	10	255	265	0.96
1985	2.4-4.2	1.5	0.18	31	234	265	0.88
1986	-	1.5	0.25	44	221	265	0.83
1987	0.9-10.9	1.6	0.11	20	262	282	0.93
1988	2.7-11.7	2.0	0	0	353	353	1.00
1989	1.0-26.6	2.5	0.43	38	182	220	0.83
1990	2.2-26.3	2.8	0.25	22	225	247	0.91
1991	0.8-16.1	1.8	0.06	10	307	317	0.97
1992	1.0-16.8	2.1	1.19	210	160	370	0.43
1993	2.9-16.2	2.0	0.08	15	338	353	0.96
1994	1.4-12.6	1.8	0	0	317	317	1.00
1995	1.0-11.9	1.6	0	0	282	282	1.00
Σ		36.2	3.95	637	5284	5921	0.89
mcan/yr		1.7	0.19	30	251	282	

#### Excessive degassing of Izu-Oshima volcano: magma convection in a conduit

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#### agma Convection in a Condui

Izu-Oshima is an active basaltic volcano in Japan. The activity of the volcano is characterized by a repetitive cycle consisting of (1) a dormant period, (2) a lava fountaining period, and (3) an active degassing period

**Table 2.** List of parameters for eruptive and degassing activity of Izu-Oshima volcano during 1950–1974 and 1986–1990

Magmatic activity parameters	1950–1974	1986-1990
Eruptive product (kg)	6.6×10 <sup>10</sup> * (Jul. 1950–Apr. 1951)	$3.5 \times 10^{10} **$ (Nov. 1986)
Duration of degassing (days)	1400*** (Aug. 1970–Jun. 1974)	800** (Jan. 1988–Mar. 1990)
$H_2O$ flux (kg/s) .	_	160 1.0
$H_2O$ content of magma (wt%) SO <sub>2</sub> flux (kg/s) S content of magma (ppm)	4.0** 270 <sup>\$\$</sup>	5.0 <sup>s</sup> 270
Mass rate of the magma degassing (kg/s)	$> 7 \times 10^3$	$> 1 \times 10^4$
Total mass of degassed magma (kg)	> 9×10 <sup>11</sup>	> 7×10 <sup>11</sup>
Unerupted/erupted ratio	>14	>20

\* Morimoto (1958), \*\* Nagaoka (1988), \*\*\* Ando (1992), \* Kazahaya et al. (1993), \*\* Okita and Shimozuru (1974), <sup>\$</sup> Kyushu University (1990), and <sup>\$\$</sup> value assumed to be equal to that of 1986–1990

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Fig. 1. Density changes of ascending non-degassed magma and descending degassed magma as functions of depth. Arrows schematically show a path for the convective transport of magma caused by this density change. Numerals show water content in wt%
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Fig. 2a, b. Schematic diagrams showing magma transport models: a Poiseuille flow in a concentric double-walled pipe and b ascent of non-degassed magma spheres through the degassed magma column Is there any evidence for the accumulated degassed magma?

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Magma Ascent and the Pressurization of Mount Etna's Volcanic System

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#### A real dilatation



Parameter	Total volumes 1993-2001 (million m <sup>3</sup> )	Average volume rates (million m <sup>3</sup> / year)	
Deformation source $\Delta V$	216	27	
Unerupted degassed magma volume	1030	129	
Erupted lava and tephra volume	-125	-16	

The Mogi model allows observations of ground deformation to be directly related to changes in the volume of a spherical source within a volcanic edifice:

$$\Delta d = \frac{3\Delta V_{ch}}{4\pi} \frac{d}{(f^2 + d^2)^{3/2}}$$
<sup>[1a]</sup>
$$\Delta h = \frac{3\Delta V_{ch}}{4\pi} \frac{f}{(f^2 + d^2)^{3/2}}$$
<sup>[1b]</sup>

Where *d* is the radial distance at the surface from the centre of a deforming source at depth *f* and *DVch* is the modelled change in volume of the source. Note that *DVch* is implicitly the result of a magma intrusion, but that the volume of injected magma (*DVmagma*) is not necessarily equivalent to *DVch*.

In order to compare *DVmagma* with *DVch* we use the work of Johnson [1992], who examined the dynamics of magma storage on Kilauea volcano, assuming a Mogi source. In such conditions, the change of volcanic edifice volume (*DVedifice*) can be estimated by integrating the equation (1b) on the free surface. This relate the (*DVedifice*) and the change of the source volume (*DVch*) as follows (Johnsonn, 1992):

$$\Delta V_{edifice} = 2(1-\nu)\Delta V_{ch}$$

Johnson [1992] demonstrated that if the volume of injected magma injected into a magma reservoir (*DVmagma*) is much smaller than the reservoir itself, then :

$$\frac{\Delta V_{edifice}}{\Delta V_{magma}} = \frac{2(1-\nu)}{\left\{1 + \frac{4\mu}{3K_m}\right\}}$$

Where n is the Poisson's ratio, m is the shear modulus of the host rock and K*m* is the (gas free) bulk modulus of the injected magma.

$$\frac{\Delta V_{magma}}{\Delta V_{ch}} = 1 + \frac{4\mu}{3K_m}$$

The compressibility of magma is related to its bulk modulus and may be theoretically estimated, starting from chemical compositions by applying the Lange and Carmichael (1990) model based on the thermodynamic equilibrium of silicate melts, which is in the form of

$$K_T = \frac{V_T}{(dV/dP)}$$

Where *VT* is the volume of a mole of magma at the melt temperature T and dV/dP is the volume gradient with respect to the litostatic pressure. For magma having a chemical composition similar to that erupted on Etna in 2001 and 2002-03, Km may be estimated to be ~16 GPa, u is 10-20 GPa



So for expected values of u and K we expect a ratio of ~4

This means we should see a volume change in terms of deformation 4 times smaller than the volume of injected magma, due to compression and crustal rigidity.

Parameter	Total volumes 1993-2001 (million m <sup>3</sup> )	Average volume rates (million m <sup>3</sup> /year)
Deformation source $\Delta V$	216	27
Unerupted degassed magma volume	1030	129
Erupted lava and tephra volume	-125	-16

#### Main Point

• Persistently active volcanoes can produce far more gas than is expected based on their erupted magma volumes, based on mass balance calculations and original/final volatile contents

• This observation implies than endogenous growth takes place, a process that appears to be evidenced by the large plutonic zone under Etna, and is supported by edifice inflation

 Magma convection appears to be the best candidate for explaining this process, whereby ascending magma can quiescently release its volatiles producing a dense degassed magma that sinks back down the conduit in a continuous flow

### That's fluxes.

#### Now a look at gas compositions with OP-FTIR

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#### TABLE 2. GAS COMPOSITION OF MASAYA PLUME AND OTHER BASALTIC CENTRAL AMERICAN ARC VOLCANOES

Gas	Masaya 1998	Masaya 1999	Poás 1981	Momotombo 1980
H <sub>2</sub> O	94.20	94.26	96.16	97.11
$H_2$	-		0.54	0.70
CO <sub>2</sub>	3.37	3.25	0.99	1.44
CO	-	-	0.01	0.01
SO <sub>2</sub>	1.37	1.434	1.45	0.50
$H_2S$		_	0.01	0.23
HCl	0.87	0.85	0.75	2.89
HF	0.19	0.19	0.09	0.16

*Note*: Data for Poás (Costa Rica) and Momotombo (Nicaragua) are restored analyses for the highest temperature samples provided in Symonds et al. (1994). All analyses in mol%.



Figure 3. CO<sub>2</sub>:SO<sub>2</sub> ratio in (A) February–March 1998; (B) March 1999, illustrating limited variation over 1 yr period.

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## FTIR: Mt. Etna plumbing system



High and low CO2/SO2 gas ratios emitted from two main craters of Etna, consistent with conduit branching 1-3 km below surface

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## Conclusions

- Gas measurements give complimentary information about the volcanic system
- There has been a rapid evolution in gas monitoring capacity in last 10-15 years
- SO2 camera offers real advantages in quantifying SO2 compared with existing methods: need to rethink strategies.
- Much further work to be done in mass balance investigations.