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ABSTRACT Although lawsonite-bearing rocks are rare in exhumed high-pressure (HP) terranes, they are considered to exert a primary role in subduction dynamics. Recent observations in natural settings have shown that fluid–rock interaction at HP conditions, including metasomatism, may lead to unusually high lawsonite amounts even in rocks that originally contained little or no lawsonite. This process may therefore bear important implications for element recycling in subduction zones. A detailed characterization of the geochemical fingerprints associated with lawsonite metasomatism is presented in this contribution. The studied rocks belong to the HP terranes of Alpine Corsica (France), which is the largest documented exposure for lawsonite metasomatism. Metasomatic lawsonite displays complex compositional zoning, including high trace element, Cr and Ti content. The trace element content is much higher compared with the average of non-metasomatic lawsonite, and is in line with the re-incorporation of large amounts of trace elements (e.g. REE, Sr, Pb, Th) in the rock during metasomatism, as shown by mass transfer calculations. Our data suggest that serpentinites represented the main fluid source for the metasomatism, with concurrent contribution of other, possibly Ca-rich lithologies, such as mafic or meta-sedimentary rocks. We propose that the breakdown of metasomatic lawsonite may contribute to the genesis of magmas and their characteristic geochemical signatures.

Key words: HP fluid–rock interaction; lawsonite; lawsonite-eclogite; lawsonite metasomatism; trace element recycling.

INTRODUCTION

In subduction zones, crustal material may return into the Earth's interior, with important implications for global element recycling. Petrological and geochemical processes at plate boundaries play a fundamental role in the selective return of elements to the lithosphere or atmosphere in volcanic arcs, or their sink into the mantle (e.g. Kerrick & Connolly, 2001; Hacker, 2008). Combining volcanology, experimental petrology and geochemical studies on synthetic and exhumed natural samples, these processes can be assessed by tracing the evolution of specific geochemical tracers during high-pressure (HP) metamorphism, most notably volatiles and trace elements.

The hydrous phase lawsonite [$\text{CaAl}_2\text{Si}_2\text{O}_7(\text{OH})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$] has a scientific interest beyond the limits of petrology/mineralogy as it may be responsible for the transfer of large amounts of water into the mantle, and its breakdown may have far-reaching consequences for magma genesis and seismogenesis at plate boundaries (e.g. Poli & Schmidt, 1997; Hacker, 2008; Abers *et al.*, 2013). Together with the large amount of water, up to ~11–12 wt% H_2O , lawsonite

can accommodate very high concentrations of trace elements such as rare earth elements (REE), Sr, Pb, Th and U in its formula (Spandler *et al.*, 2003; Martin *et al.*, 2014). Moreover, its stability, down to 300 km, exceeds that of other hydrous phases such as antigorite and chlorite (Poli & Schmidt, 1997; Okamoto & Maruyama, 1999). The combination of a large amount of water, high trace element concentration and stability at great depths make lawsonite-bearing rocks an exceptional natural tool for understanding the process of element recycling in subduction zones.

Lawsonite has been shown to be present in a number of high-pressure/low-temperature (HP/LT) metamorphic belts, and is predicted to be stable in thermal models of subduction zones (e.g. Peacock, 1999; Tsujimori *et al.*, 2006a; van Keken *et al.*, 2011; Abers *et al.*, 2013; Tsujimori & Ernst, 2014). However, lawsonite in mountain belts is rare, including in eclogite facies terranes (e.g. Clarke *et al.*, 2006; Tsujimori *et al.*, 2006b; Whitney & Davis, 2006). The occurrence or non-occurrence of lawsonite in exhumed HP rocks of cold and intermediate subduction zones may depend on either insufficient water content (e.g. Clarke *et al.*, 2006), or be a consequence

of its overprint at lower P - T conditions during decompression (e.g. Whitney & Davis, 2006; Vitale Brovarone *et al.*, 2011a). In favourable lithologies, e.g. altered basalts/gabbros, lawsonite may represent a major phase, and plays an important role for the redistribution of trace elements at HP (Spandler *et al.*, 2003). On the contrary, in Ca, Al or H_2O -poor rocks (e.g. metapelite *s.s.*, gneissic rocks), its amount is negligible, thus implying repartition of trace elements in other phases, e.g. garnet, epidote-group minerals.

It has been demonstrated that HP metasomatism may result in voluminous precipitation of lawsonite (Tsujimori *et al.*, 2006b; Martin *et al.*, 2011a; Vitale Brovarone *et al.*, 2011b). Part of these processes happens during the exhumation of HP rocks (e.g. Franciscan rocks, Krogh *et al.*, 1994) or during the peak stage (e.g. Martin *et al.*, 2011a). However, relevant geological implications have been poorly deciphered owing to the scarcity of the samples described so far. In this contribution, we present structural, petrological and geochemical data of several occurrences of blueschist and eclogite facies lawsonite-bearing metasomatic rocks, such as lawsonitite (lawsonite > 75 vol.%), from Alpine Corsica. Alpine Corsica is a type locality for lawsonite and lawsonite-eclogite (Caron & Péquignot, 1986; Tsujimori *et al.*, 2006a; Ravna *et al.*, 2010; Vitale Brovarone *et al.*, 2011a), and hosts the largest exposure of lawsonite metasomatites so far documented, as shown in this paper. This process is able to modify the composition of rocks unsuitable for lawsonite formation into lawsonite-rich rocks, and it allows the incorporation of large amount of trace elements circulating at HP. After a general overview of lawsonite metasomatites, this paper focuses on the geochemical patterns associated with lawsonite metasomatism, and its possible fluid and elemental sources. We show that these rocks offer a powerful mean to investigate the origin, behaviour and composition of fluids and trace element mobility at HP.

GEOLOGICAL SETTING

Alpine Corsica (France) represents a segment of the Alpine orogenic system now isolated from the European mainland by the opening of two back-arc-type basins, namely the Ligurian-Provençal basin and the Tyrrhenian basin (Fig. 1a) (e.g. Jolivet *et al.*, 1990; Speranza *et al.*, 2002; Molli & Malavieille, 2010; Vitale Brovarone *et al.*, 2013). Alpine Corsica occupies the northeastern part of the island of Corsica and can be subdivided into three main domains (see recent review by Vitale Brovarone *et al.*, 2013 and references therein): (i) the Corsica continental margin units, which experienced low-grade blueschist metamorphism; (ii) the Schistes Lustrés complex, consisting of remnants of Tethyan oceanic lithosphere metamorphosed under HP-LT conditions;

and (iii) the so-called Nappes Supérieures, which include subgreenschist facies ophiolitic and continental units.

This study focuses on two units of the Schistes Lustrés complex, namely the *Lawsonite-blueschist* and *Lawsonite-eclogite* units. Both units consist of segments of Tethyan lithosphere and include metaophiolites, i.e. serpentinites, metabasalts and metagabbro, meta-sedimentary rocks and local continental basement slivers lying on serpentinite and interpreted as rift-related continental extensional allochthons (e.g. Vitale Brovarone *et al.*, 2011b; Meresse *et al.*, 2012). Lawsonite is generally well preserved in both units, but local intense retrogression occurred in the epidote stability field.

The Lawsonite-blueschist unit consists of dominant meta-sedimentary rocks and subordinate slices of mafic/serpentinite ophiolitic rocks and continental basement slivers (e.g. Lahondère, 2006; Vitale Brovarone *et al.*, 2011b; Meresse *et al.*, 2012). Metaophiolites are also commonly found as olistostromal bodies intercalated within the meta-sedimentary sequence, and mostly comprise serpentinite and metagabbro blocks, with minor metabasalt and metaophi-carbonate (Lagabriele & Lemoine, 1997). Metamorphic conditions in this unit increase downwards within the structural pile from ~350 °C/1.5 GPa to ~460 °C/1.8 GPa based on Raman spectroscopy on carbonaceous material (RSCM thermometry) estimates and P - T pseudosections (Vitale Brovarone *et al.*, 2013, 2014). The HP metamorphic climax is dated at $c. 37 \pm 1.4$ Ma by means of Lu-Hf lawsonite geochronology (Vitale Brovarone & Herwartz, 2013).

The Lawsonite-eclogite unit, which lies structurally below the Lawsonite-blueschist unit, comprises a thicker metaophiolite basement, most notably serpentinite, metabasalt and metagabbro, but also includes a thick meta-sedimentary cover. Slivers of continental basement material (i.e. continental extensional allochthons) are common also in this unit (Lahondère, 2006; Vitale Brovarone *et al.*, 2011b). Peak metamorphic conditions are estimated at 490–550 °C/2.2–2.4 GPa (Ravna *et al.*, 2010; Vitale Brovarone *et al.*, 2011a), and were dated at $c. 34$ Ma [^{40}Ar - ^{39}Ar phengite (Brunet *et al.*, 2000); U-Pb zircon (Martin *et al.*, 2011a); Lu-Hf garnet (Vitale Brovarone & Herwartz, 2013)].

OCCURRENCE AND REGIONAL DISTRIBUTION OF LAWSONITE METASOMATISM

Lawsonite-blueschist unit

In this unit, the appearance of lawsonite metasomatites defines a regional metamorphic isograd corresponding systematically to a temperature of ~370 °C (based on RSCM thermometry) and a pressure of ~1.5 GPa based on regional estimates (Vitale

Brovarone *et al.*, 2014). This isograd is parallel to other mineral isograds found in this unit, e.g. chloritoid. Unlike the other mineral isograds, the appearance of lawsonite metasomatism occurs at higher P – T conditions compared with the first appearance of non-metasomatic lawsonite in favourable lithologies like metabasites. For this reason, its meaning must be seen as indicative of the first P – T conditions at which lawsonite metasomatism formed in the units of Corsica. Lawsonite metasomatites formed at the contact between metamafic/serpentinite/ophicalcite blocks and the enclosing meta-sedimentary rocks, which mostly comprise tuffitic metapelites, minor aluminous metapelites and marble layers. The lawsonite rinds affect the meta-sedimentary rocks only, while different metasomatic products affect the mafic/serpentinite/ophicalcite bodies (e.g. tremolite, talc, chlorite). Noticeably, in this unit, lawsonite has been found exclusively in meta-sedimentary rocks affected by metasomatism, and not in meta-sedimentary rocks only affected by regional metamorphism. Over an area of $\sim 6 \text{ km}^2$ (Fig. 1a,b), about 200 metasomatic rinds were found around the mafic/serpentinite/ophicalcite blocks, and several other lawsonite rinds were found elsewhere within the same unit (Fig. 1b). The thickness of the rinds is proportional to the size of the metaophiolite bodies, and ranges from few centimetres in the case of thin mafic/serpentinite layers to about 25 m in the case of large ophiolitic slices. Depending on the lawsonite amount, which reaches up to $\sim 75 \text{ vol.}\%$, rocks affected by metasomatism vary from lawsonite-bearing schists (e.g. $\sim 25 \text{ vol.}\%$, samples C11_2d, C11_2e and C11_2f) to massive lawsonite-chlorite fels (e.g. sample 1COR12-6b). Lawsonite forms tabular idioblastic crystals up to $\sim 1 \text{ cm}$ in length. In samples containing $\sim 25 \text{ vol.}\%$ lawsonite, it displays a dark colour due to inclusions of rutile, pyrite and carbonaceous material inherited from the original meta-sedimentary rock (Figs 2a & 3a). In other cases, where its modal amount is higher, ~ 50 – $75 \text{ vol.}\%$, metasomatic lawsonite is white and inclusion-poor (Fig. 2b). The matrix mainly consists of chlorite, together with a variable amount of phengite, quartz, albite, blue-amphiboles (glaucofane/ferro-glaucofane, actinolite) and locally Ca-carbonate.

Lawsonite eclogite unit

In this unit, lawsonite metasomatism occurs at the contact between serpentinites and the overlying meta-sedimentary rocks or continental basement slivers (Fig. 2c; see Vitale Brovarone *et al.*, 2011b for structural details). Local outcrops of these metasomatic rocks were described by Vitale Brovarone *et al.* (2011b), and the detailed petrology of one sample by Martin *et al.* (2011a) (Fig. 1b). Here, we present new observations based on 15 new outcrops found during our recent surveys in different localities of Alpine

Corsica within the Lawsonite-eclogite unit (Fig. 1). Most samples are lawsonitites and range in thickness from some tens of centimetres to about 15 m. Lawsonite content reaches up to $\sim 75\%$ in volume. In contrast to the Lawsonite-blueschist unit, lawsonite is also common in calcschists far from lithological boundaries and apparently not affected by metasomatism but only by regional metamorphism. However, lawsonite in meta-sedimentary rocks is typically completely or partially replaced by pseudomorphic products (e.g. white mica and epidote-group minerals), whereas lawsonite in metasomatic rinds is very fresh or locally replaced by minor epidote, pumpellyite or carbonate.

Lawsonite metasomatites form at the expense of both continental basement rocks (Type-1) and monometamorphic Mesozoic meta-sedimentary rocks (Type-2) (Martin *et al.*, 2011a; Vitale Brovarone *et al.*, 2011b), and display fels-like textures in both cases. Continental basement rocks and meta-sedimentary rocks along this contact may be extremely variable in composition (e.g. ortho/paragneiss, quartzite, calcschists, marbles), and deciphering a protolith for the lawsonite metasomatites is difficult. Type-1 metasomatites (Fig. 2d,e) are typically white or greenish in colour, and variations may result from their mineralogical heterogeneity, including variable amounts of chlorite, actinolite, clinopyroxene, mica, blue-amphibole, garnet, pumpellyite and titanite. Clinopyroxene locally forms up to $\sim 5 \text{ cm}$ thick layers or veins parallel to or cutting across the main fabric (Fig. 2e). As a whole, Type-2 lawsonite metasomatites exhibit randomly oriented black, inclusion-rich lawsonite crystals growing on pre-existing compositional layers (Fig. 2f). Clinopyroxene is common both in the matrix of the rock and in vein/bands and confers a yellowish-greenish colour to the rock. In some cases, the rock exhibits dark, lawsonite-rich bands, alternating with green, clinopyroxene-rich veins (e.g. sample OF3551).

METHODOLOGY

Scanning electron microscopy and electron microprobe

Petrographic thin sections were carbon coated for scanning electron microscopy (SEM) analyses. Observations were performed at a working distance of 7.5 mm using a Zeiss Ultra 55 field emission gun SEM operated at 15 kV with a $120 \mu\text{m}$ aperture. Backscattered electron (BSE) mode was used to investigate chemical heterogeneities using an Angle Selective Backscattered Detector (AsB) or an Energy Selective Backscattered Detector (EsB). Energy dispersive X-ray spectrometry (EDXS) maps were acquired using an EDXS QUANTAX system equipped with a silicon drift detector XFlash 4010 (Bruker). Data were processed with the software Esprit (Bruker).

Fig. 2. (a, b) Blueschist facies unit. Lawsonite metasomatites exhibiting different degrees of metasomatism, i.e. 25 vol.% lawsonite (a) and 75 vol.% (b) respectively. In (a) (e.g. sample C11_2d), note the inclusion of carbonaceous material and rutile fossilizing the schistosity of the metapelitic protolith. In (b) (e.g. sample 1COR12-6b), the metapelite is almost fully transformed into a lawsonite/chlorite-rich rock and contains only little relicts of carbonaceous material and rutile. Note that the two samples do not belong to the same rind: (a) formed in contact with metagabbros, and (b) in contact with serpentinites. (c–f) Eclogite facies unit. (c) Example of eclogite facies lawsonite aureole forming at the contact between serpentinites and the overlying rocks, being either metasediment or continental basement rocks. This contact is interpreted to pre-date the Alpine orogeny and to have formed in the Tethyan ocean–continent transition zone (Vitale Brovarone *et al.*, 2011b). (d–e) Example of Type-1 metasomatites formed at the expense of layered continental basement rocks. (d) Outcrop alternating lawsonite- and clinopyroxene-rich layers. In (e), note the small clinopyroxene vein cutting across the rock. (f) Example of Type-2 metasomate. The dark mottles consist of inclusion-rich lawsonite (mainly carbonaceous material, sulphides and rutile). The matrix mostly consists of clinopyroxene.

The major elements mineral analyses were performed using a Cameca S-Five and a Cameca-100 electron microprobe (Camparis, Université Paris 6).

Classical analytical conditions were adopted for spot analyses [15 kV, 10 nA, wavelength-dispersive spectroscopy (WDS) mode], using Fe_2O_3 (Fe), MnTiO_3

Fig. 3. (a–c) Blueschist facies unit. (a, b) Sample C11_2d. Microphotograph showing the typical microstructure of lawsonite rinds containing ~25 vol.% lawsonite. Note the abundant inclusions of carbonaceous material and rutile in lawsonite cores. (c) Microphotograph showing the fels-like texture of lawsonite-rich (~75 vol.%) metasomatites (sample 1COR12-6b). This rock mainly consists of lawsonite, chlorite, titanite and quartz. (d–i) Eclogite facies unit. (d–f) This sample (1COR12-11f2) displays a strong grain-size variation. In (e), note the large abundance of tiny lawsonite crystals, together with titanite and phengite. In (e) and (f), note the large lawsonite crystals including the former actinolite-rich fabric. (g) Lawsonite blast displaying reddish REE-rich core in thin section (see also Martin *et al.*, 2011a). (h) Lawsonite blasts including abundant inclusions of carbonaceous material and rutile. These inclusions define hourglass textures and match with the major compositional zoning of lawsonite (Fig. 4b,c). The matrix of the rock mostly consists of clinopyroxene. (i) Close-up of a lawsonite blast including tiny allanite inclusions. The contact between these inclusions and the enclosing lawsonite exhibits reddish rims in thin section, possibly corresponding to pleochroic radiohalos. (a, c, d, e, g, i) Plane-polarized light. (b, h) Cross-polarized light. (f) mixed X-ray compositional map. Mineral abbreviations: chlorite: Chl; lawsonite: Law; phengite: Phe; actinolite: Act; titanite: Ttn; allanite: Aln.

(Mn, Ti), diopside (Mg, Si), orthoclase (Al, K), anorthite (Ca) and albite (Na) as standards. Quantifications were derived from the automated Cameca ZAF quantification procedure.

***In situ* trace element analyses**

Trace element content of minerals was obtained using a Laser ablation-inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometer (LA-ICP-MS) at Geosciences Montpellier (France). The LA-ICP-MS consists of an excimer Geolas 193 nm laser coupled to a ThermoFinnigan XR-element ICP-MS. The ICP-MS was

operated at 1350 W and tuned daily to produce maximum sensitivity for the medium and high masses, while keeping the oxide production rate low ($^{248}\text{ThO}/^{232}\text{Th} \leq 1\%$). Laser ablation was performed in a pure He atmosphere ($\approx 0.6 \text{ l min}^{-1}$) with the following conditions: beam diameter varied between 51 and 77 μm , depending on mineral size and required spatial resolution, repetition rate and energy density were set at 5 Hz and 12 J cm^{-2} respectively. Data reduction was carried out using the GLITTER software (Griffin *et al.*, 2008). Internal standard was Ca or Si, quantitatively analysed by EMP. The NIST 612 glass (Pearce *et al.*, 1997)

Blueschist-facies

Eclogite-facies

Fig. 4. (a, b) BSE image (a) and simplified sketch (b) of lawsonite zoning in the partially replaced blueschist C11_2d. Three lawsonite crystals occur, two of which are intergrown. Each crystal displays a bright core (Law1) and an intermediate grey zone (Law2) defining hourglass sector zoning, together with a darker rim (Law3). Note that the solid inclusions in lawsonite (mainly rutile, carbonaceous material) occur in both Law1 and Law2 and, therefore, the brightness of Law1 is not controlled by the inclusions. Plane-polarized equivalent for reference on top left in (a). In (b), on top left, complex chemical zoning alternating brighter and darker zones in Law1. Note that the inclusion-rich zones, grey lines in (b), do not match with the compositional zoning. (c, d) Compositional zoning (c: BSE; d: sketch) of lawsonite in the eclogite facies sample OF3598. Cross-polarized equivalent in (c), top left. Note the occurrence of similar Law1, Law2 and Law3 textures to the blueschist facies samples, and the occurrence of a fourth zone (Law4) rimming the previous ones. Di: diopside. Note also the complex zoning of Law4. Note the similarity of Law1–Law2 and Law3 in blueschist and eclogite facies metasomatic lawsonite. (e, f) Two examples of Cr oscillatory zoning in vein lawsonite in sample OF3551. In (e), note the occurrence of zircon (Zrc), titanite and clinopyroxene (Cpx), this latter showing complex Mg–Na zoning. In (f), the Cr content in lawsonite reaches ~8 wt% (see Cr compositional profile on the bottom).

was used as an external standard. This double standardization allows correction for variations in ablation yield and instrumental drift (Longerich *et al.*, 1996). In this paper, and unless otherwise noted, the data reported here are the average of the different analyses (*n*) for a given phase in a given microstructural occurrence.

Whole-rock analyses and modal amount

Whole-rock analyses of samples from the Lawsonite-blueschist and Lawsonite-eclogite units (Table 1) were performed at the Service d'Analyse des Roches et Minéraux (SARM, Centre de Recherches Pétrographiques et Géochimiques, Nancy, France)

Table 1. Whole-rock major and trace element analyses. Oxides in wt% and trace elements in $\mu\text{g g}^{-1}$. <http://helium.crpg.cnrs-nancy.fr/SARM/pages/roches.html> for detail on uncertainty and detection limits.

Sample Facies	C11_2g Blueschist	C11_2h Blueschist	C11_2d Blueschist	C11_2f Blueschist	C11_2e Blueschist	1COR12-6b Blueschist	OF3598 Eclogite	OF3532 Eclogite
Rock type	Metapelite Metasomatite (lawsonite 0 vol.%)		Partially replaced metapelite (lawsonite 25 vol.%)			Strongly replaced metapelite (lawsonite 75 vol.%)	Metasomatite (lawsonite 75 vol.%)	Metasomatite (lawsonite 75 vol.%)
SiO ₂	55.78	56.75	56.13	61.59	51.30	38.60	45.30	43.52
Al ₂ O ₃	20.85	19.52	18.14	17.64	22.22	25.54	15.11	19.46
Fe ₂ O ₃	8.43	9.48	8.99	5.63	7.68	6.68	5.03	3.95
MnO	0.06	0.07	0.11	0.05	0.07	0.08	0.11	0.11
MgO	2.59	2.46	3.81	2.03	2.96	5.82	6.95	5.57
CaO	0.09	0.10	2.44	3.43	2.58	11.89	20.62	18.43
Na ₂ O	0.23	0.46	0.67	0.19	0.33	<DL	0.47	0.31
K ₂ O	6.26	5.15	3.37	3.40	5.50	0.03	0.01	0.31
TiO ₂	0.77	0.70	0.70	0.70	1.13	1.17	0.65	0.67
P ₂ O ₅	0.10	0.12	0.12	0.07	0.14	<DL	0.11	0.20
LOI	5.05	4.90	5.38	5.26	6.31	10.13	5.57	6.87
Total	100.20	99.70	99.85	99.98	100.20	99.92	99.94	99.41
W	0.77	0.38	0.53	0.66	1.44	<DL	<DL	<DL
Be	3.24	3.39	1.82	1.97	3.34	1.61	1.27	1.20
Bi	0.38	0.17	0.27	0.33	0.33	0.90	<DL	0.25
Cd	<DL	<DL	<DL	0.24	0.15	0.25	0.24	0.24
Ga	28.61	26.76	22.79	23.69	30.76	28.49	16.59	20.79
Ge	1.98	1.73	1.76	2.81	2.43	1.53	1.53	0.91
In	0.10	0.09	<DL	<DL	0.11	0.14	0.09	0.08
Mo	1.02	<DL	0.63	0.52	0.91	1.24	<DL	<DL
Sb	0.80	0.36	0.50	0.68	0.66	<DL	<DL	0.32
Sn	3.10	2.83	2.79	3.13	4.04	5.16	3.33	4.44
Ti	4640	4191	4179	4167	6762	6990	3879	4005
V	146.6	129.6	121.8	125.2	160.5	176.7	102	241.6
Co	6.534	11.64	10.83	3.32	6.69	17.15	10.01	21.45
Ni	55.04	56.61	78.14	50.8	60.46	50.61	47.8	150.9
Cu	56.99	74.7	38.05	12.7	30.07	360.1	48.34	69.4
Zn	115.4	119.4	150.8	87.54	114.8	102.4	45.51	50.76
Cr	142.2	130.1	127.2	115.8	165.9	165.6	96.65	1826
Se	22.46	21.72	21.69	18.48	25.01	27.67	16.58	17.97
As	7.79	3.27	3.76	4.59	5.17	<DL	<DL	<DL
Cs	11.05	8.28	6.07	5.93	9.40	0.10	<DL	0.19
Rb	261.30	204.60	141.50	141.70	231.70	1.91	0.81	11.52
Sr	10.00	13.25	78.16	131.90	95.84	590.10	177.10	254.40
Y	10.75	8.94	29.28	27.45	26.91	35.98	30.08	74.56
Zr	122.00	108.30	102.20	105.00	146.50	144.40	122.90	110.90
Nb	12.49	10.85	11.82	12.23	19.71	19.89	10.55	9.54
Ba	739.20	552.20	329.20	364.90	587.20	4.06	2.48	49.63
La	29.23	18.71	36.75	37.09	41.40	59.52	33.55	50.55
Ce	60.19	40.90	63.25	69.46	80.79	106.70	57.55	95.17
Pr	7.06	4.41	8.31	8.02	9.43	13.91	7.75	11.44
Nd	25.23	17.69	34.05	31.68	33.89	50.99	29.48	44.59
Sm	4.21	3.28	7.48	5.77	6.19	9.39	6.18	9.67
Eu	0.66	0.47	1.37	1.46	1.12	1.96	2.26	6.36
Gd	2.86	2.18	6.31	4.68	5.00	7.52	5.68	10.03
Tb	0.42	0.34	0.98	0.77	0.82	1.16	0.85	1.59
Dy	2.33	1.90	5.50	4.74	4.87	6.53	4.95	9.82
Ho	0.42	0.35	1.02	0.91	0.93	1.25	0.96	2.09
Er	1.29	1.04	2.71	2.51	2.60	3.46	2.64	6.17
Tm	0.22	0.17	0.37	0.36	0.38	0.53	0.39	0.96
Yb	1.73	1.33	29.28	2.32	2.63	3.55	2.52	6.40
Lu	0.30	0.24	0.36	0.35	0.41	0.54	0.38	0.99
Hf	3.36	2.99	2.80	2.92	4.05	3.69	3.32	2.90
Ta	1.10	0.94	1.02	1.06	1.78	1.78	0.95	0.93
Pb	18.26	11.62	9.58	21.46	18.61	99.38	4.44	5.47
Th	13.04	10.09	9.89	10.70	13.79	15.67	9.86	11.61
U	2.14	1.60	1.77	2.11	2.49	2.86	2.64	2.18

by alkali fusion of rock samples (LiBO_2), followed by concentration measurements using an ICP-OES Icap 6500 (Thermoscientific) for major elements, and an ICP-MS X7 (Thermoscientific) for minor elements (protocol by Carignan *et al.*, 2001). The modal proportions of minerals in the selected samples were estimated first with optical microscopy and then checked using whole rock and mineral compositions.

SAMPLE DESCRIPTION

Lawsonite-blueschist unit

Lawsonite-blueschist metasomatites display petrographic and mineralogical variability from one to another outcrop and within the same rind. To illustrate this, two sets of metasomatites displaying different degrees of metasomatism (partially and extensively replaced, hereafter) are described in detail here. The partially metasomatized samples formed in contact with a metagabbro block (samples C11_2d, e, f) and the extensively metasomatized sample formed in contact with a large serpentinite sliver (samples 1COR12-6a, b). In both cases, the surrounding rocks not affected by metasomatism are metapelites consisting of phengite (40 vol.%), chlorite (30 vol.%), quartz (25 vol.%), rutile, titanite, carbonaceous material $\pm$ paragonite (all together 5 vol.%) as major components (samples C11_2 g & C11_2 h, Fig. 2b; Table 1). The highest Si in phengite reaches 3.4 atoms per formula unit (apfu) (Table S1). Chlorite has a constant X_{Mg} ($= \text{Mg}/(\text{Mg} + \text{Fe})$ atomic ratio) of 0.35 (Table S1).

Carbonaceous matter and tiny acicular rutile are intergrown within phengite and chlorite and define the rock schistosity. Lawsonite does not occur in the pristine metapelite, and all Ca (~ 0.3 wt%) is entirely hosted in titanite, which forms syn-kinematic idio-blasts.

Partially replaced rocks (lawsonite ~ 25 vol.%)

Samples C11_2d, C11_2e and C11_2f were collected within a 2.5 m thick metasomatic rind formed in contact with a metagabbro block of $\sim 3 \text{ m}^3$ that crops out in the vicinity of the village of Morosaglia (Fig. 2a,c). No serpentinites are observed in this area as they crop out several tens of metres away from this contact. Both samples consist of lawsonite (~ 25 vol.%), phengite (25 vol.%), chlorite (25 vol.%), quartz (15 vol.%), albite (5 vol.%) and minor titanite, rutile, carbonaceous material, apatite and sulphides partially replaced by Fe-oxides (all together 5 vol.%). Phengite displays high celadonite substitution ($\text{Si} = 3.5$ apfu). Chlorite has a constant X_{Mg} of 0.4 (Table 2). Aluminium in titanite reaches ~ 1 wt% (Table S3). Small relicts of glaucophane were found in pseudomorphic chlorite-albite aggre-

gates. Pressure–temperature estimates for the surrounding metapelites unaffected by metasomatism yield an average of ~ 1.7 GPa and ~ 450 °C (Vitale Brovarone *et al.*, 2013).

Lawsonite occurs as both large (millimetre size) and small (micrometre size) crystals. Larger lawsonite grew statically or syn-kinematically relative to the metapelitic foliation, and is dark in colour owing to abundant mineral inclusions (Figs 2a & 3a,b). Inclusions consist of carbonaceous material, rutile and sulphides, and mimic the pre-metasomatism fabric of the metapelite (Fig. 3a,b), or form geometrical textural zones, including hourglass textures. Small lawsonite crystals are inclusion-free. In most cases, the textural zoning is defined by inclusion-rich core and inclusion-poor rim, but oscillatory repetitions of inclusion-rich and -poor zones are also observed locally. Large lawsonite also displays chemically zoning defined by darker and brighter zones in BSE imaging. Three main zones were recognized in several crystals, a bright core (Law1), an intermediate mantle (Law2) and a dark rim (Law3) (Fig. 4a,b). The distribution of these zones in the crystals only partly matches with the textural zoning. Law1 occurs exclusively in inclusion-rich zones and, together with Law2 and Law3, forms hourglass-like sector zoning in BSE imaging, and matches the textural zoning described above (Fig. 4a). Compared with standard sector zoning, which are characterized by two distinct zones, here hourglass textures develop from a former core (Law1). In BSE, Law1 also shows thin alternations of brighter and darker zones that seem to mimic the schistosity of the former metapelite (Fig. 4b, top left). Small lawsonite crystals also exhibit compositional zoning in BSE, but displays more scattered patterns.

Extremely replaced rocks (lawsonite ~ 75 vol.%)

These rocks (1COR12-6a & 1COR12-6b) formed in contact with a thick serpentinite slice (~ 150 m) in the vicinity of the Morosaglia village. P – T estimates for the surrounding metapelites yield 1.5 GPa and ~ 400 °C (Vitale Brovarone *et al.*, 2014). Both samples consist of lawsonite (~ 75 vol.%), chlorite (15 vol.%), ferro-glaucophane (10 vol.%), quartz, white mica, albite, calcite, titanite and tiny epidote crystals (altogether 5 vol.%) (Fig. 2b). Phengite displays very high celadonite substitution ($\text{Si} = 3.6$ apfu). Chlorite has a rather constant X_{Mg} of 0.6 (Table S2). Na-amphibole is a ferro-glaucophane (after Leake *et al.*, 1997) and has an X_{Mg} of 0.5 (Table S4). Titanite Al content reaches ~ 1.2 – 1.5 wt% (Table S3).

In hand specimen, lawsonite occurs as white or grey tabular blasts up to ~ 2 cm in length locally forming large aggregates (up to ~ 5 – 10 cm^2 , Fig. 3c), or as tiny crystals. Some crystals contain inclusions of carbonaceous material and acicular rutile, indicating

a similar metapelitic protolith with that inferred for the less replaced samples (Fig. 3c). Lawsonite typically shows little zoning compared with sample C11_2e. BSE imaging shows small relicts of Law1 and Law2 zones, but most lawsonite has complex BSE compositional patterns, textures of which suggest multiple lawsonite precipitation/dissolution stages (see next sections) (Fig. S1). These include at least three compositional zones in BSE. Some crystals also exhibit sharp alternations of brighter and darker zones (Fig. S1d). Acicular Na-amphibole occurs as inclusion in quartz together with the smaller lawsonite crystals, as intergrowths with lawsonite or as corroded inclusions in large lawsonite crystals (Fig. S1). In more retrogressed samples, lawsonite is replaced statically by chlorite and albite aggregates. Calcite occurs in some samples as small intergranular aggregates or as large aggregates including euhedral crystals.

Lawsonite eclogite unit

The eclogite facies lawsonite metasomatites show a wide petrographic variability, possibly inherited from the protolith. Four samples were selected, all containing high or very high lawsonite content (50–75 vol.%), but displaying different petrological and geochemical features.

Sample 1cor12-11f2 (Type-1)

This sample is representative of the widely occurring Type-1 rocks, and was collected ~4 m from the contact with serpentinites. It consists of lawsonite (60 vol.%), actinolite (20 vol.%), phengite (5 vol.%), chlorite, clinopyroxenes (ranging from QUAD to omphacite in composition (after Morimoto *et al.*, 1988), pumpellyite, titanite, carbonaceous material, rutile and zircon (all together ~15 vol.%), but significant modal variations may occur from one to another cm thick band. The rock displays a marked layering in which alternating layers contain large with small lawsonite crystals, together with a variable amount of other minerals (e.g. actinolite, clinopyroxene, phengite, Fig. 3d,e). Lawsonite grew statically on the protolith fabric as defined by oriented actinolite, which, in some layers, can be followed inside and outside the lawsonite blasts (Fig. 3d–f). Lawsonite locally contains reddish REE-rich core (Fig. 3g; see also Martin *et al.*, 2011a).

Sample OF3598 (Type-2)

This sample was collected ~10 m from a large serpentinite body. A thin sliver of continental basement rocks, almost completely transformed into Type-1 lawsonite metasomatites (see sample 1COR12-11f2), occurs between the two rock types. This sample consists of alternating dark, lawsonite-rich layers and

light green, clinopyroxene-rich layers. The sample dominantly consists of lawsonite (~60 vol.%) and clinopyroxene (35 vol.%), together with graphite, titanite, epidote, actinolite, pyrite, apatite and rutile (all together ~5 vol.%). Clinopyroxene analyses plot most commonly in the QUAD field. This shows alternating thin rims (few micrometres) with very low ($X_{Jd} = 0.5$) or slightly higher ($X_{Jd} = 5$) jadeite content, and contains variable amount of ferric iron ranging from $Fe^{3+}/(Fe^{3+} + Fe^{2+}) = 0.05–0.3$ (Table S4). Titanite contains a slightly higher Al content compared with the lawsonite-blueschist facies samples, and reaches 2 wt%. Phengite displays very high celadonite substitution ($Si = 3.6$ apfu) in all samples.

Lawsonite shows textural and chemical zoning similar to the blueschist facies metasomatic lawsonite. In thin section, crystals have dark cores rich in graphite, rutile and pyrite and inclusion-poor rims (Fig. 3h). These inclusions are similar to those of the blueschist samples formed at the expense of metapelites, and suggest a similar protolith. The inclusion-rich zones are locally fractured and sealed by inclusion-free lawsonite. In some cases, inclusions define hourglass textures (Fig. 3j) that also correspond to chemical sector zoning observed in BSE (Fig. 4c,d), with three compositional zones comparable to the blueschist samples (Law1: bright; Law2: intermediate; Law3: dark). Note that, also in this case, hourglass textures develop from a brighter core. BSE imaging also shows the occurrence of a fourth zone (Law4) forming the outer rim of lawsonite, and being characterized by more complex patterns alternating brighter and darker BSE zones (Fig. 4c,d).

QUAD-clinopyroxene forms randomly oriented aggregates, commonly amygdaloidal. Under high current and contrasted BSE imaging, it exhibits complex oscillatory compositional zoning.

Sample OF3532 (Type-2)

This sample was collected 1 m above the contact separating serpentinites and the overlying meta-sedimentary rocks. It displays a massive layered structure consisting of dominant lawsonite (~40–50 vol.%), strongly oriented clinopyroxene laths (15 vol.%, see sample OF3598 for composition), pale green actinolite (15 vol.%), together with titanite, phengite, pumpellyite and allanite (altogether ~5–10 vol.%). In thin section, the mineral habit suggests precipitation in veins, but this assumption cannot easily be confirmed texturally because of the strong deformation. Lawsonite (up to 0.5 cm) displays a pinkish colour in hand specimen, and forms pseudodioblastic crystals that commonly display reddish mottles in thin section (Fig. 3i). The pinkish colour is due to a high Cr content in lawsonite (see above), whereas most red patches form at the contact between lawsonite and allanite inclusions, and

possibly correspond to pleochroic radiohalos (Fig. 3i).

Sample OF3551 (Type-2)

This sample was collected ~1 m above the contact with serpentinites. It is a weakly foliated rock characterized by pale green-yellowish matrix consisting of dominant lawsonite, clinopyroxene and quartz, and a green vein consisting of dominant clinopyroxene and minor lawsonite, together with epidote, titanite and zircon as accessory phases. In the matrix, lawsonite forms large blasts containing inclusions of acicular rutile, graphite, pyrite and quartz, and is only slightly oriented parallel to the main rock fabric, which is mainly defined by clinopyroxene. Phengite, titanite, small allanitic epidote, graphite and pyrite are also present in the matrix. The veins are mainly composed of clinopyroxene, which show a variety of textures ranging from fan-shaped to coarse bladed aggregates, all randomly oriented, and display oscillatory zoning alternating pale green with darker green zones. Clinopyroxene in veins of this sample shows a complex compositional zoning including Cr-rich (~8 wt%) and Na-rich ($X_{Jd} = 34$ mol.%) zones. Na-rich clinopyroxene has a higher aegirine content (X_{Aeg} up to ~10–11 mol.%) relative to Na-poor zones (Table S4), indicating oxidizing conditions during veining. Importantly, both Cr- and Na-rich zones most commonly occur in the clinopyroxene mantle or rim, and most commonly in veins, where they show an inhomogeneous distribution (see Spandler *et al.*, 2011 for similar patterns). Amphibole in the selected samples is actinolite (after Leake *et al.*, 1997) and has an X_{Mg} of 0.8 (Table S4).

Lawsonite in veins forms small, commonly elongated sub-idioblastic crystals showing local red, Cr-rich oscillatory zoning detected by BSE imaging and X-Ray compositional maps (Fig. 4e,f, see next sections). Cr-rich zones do not have a specific textural

position, and occur either in the core or in the rim of lawsonite, or form scattered patches. The relationships between Cr-rich zones in lawsonite and clinopyroxene are therefore difficult to decipher. Small zircon crystals and allanitic epidote are also present in the veins. This latter mineral occurs both as inclusion in lawsonite and in the matrix, locally forming pleochroic radiohalos similar to those observed in sample OF3532.

BULK ROCK AND MINERAL COMPOSITION

Lawsonite-blueschist unit

Whole rock

Metapelites not affected by lawsonite metasomatism (C11_2g, C11_2h). These rocks have a metapelitic composition with SiO_2 of 56–57 wt%, Al_2O_3 , 20–21 wt%, Fe_2O_3 (total Fe as Fe_2O_3), 9 wt%, MgO , ~3 wt% and K_2O ~6%. CaO (~0.1 wt%) and Na_2O (~0.2–0.4 wt%) are very low (Table 1). Chondrite-normalized REE patterns show a general positive slope with strong light-REE (LREE) enrichment ($79 \leq (La)_N \leq 123$; N: chondrite normalized) relative to the heavy-REE (HREE), and a sigmoid HREE to medium-REE (MREE) segments. Eu forms a slight negative anomaly ($(Eu/Eu^*)_N \leq 0.5$; Fig. 5a). Primitive mantle (PM)-normalized trace element patterns display an overall enrichment of the large ion lithophile elements (LILE: Rb, Ba, Th, U, Pb, Sr) relative to the LREE (Fig. 5b), except for Sr, which shows a marked negative anomaly ($(Sr/Ce)_{PM} \leq 0.02$). The high field strength elements (HFSE: Nb, Ta, Zr, Hf, Y, Ti) show a non-uniform behaviour relative to the REE. Indeed, while Nb and Ta $\pm$ Ti form a negative anomaly relative to the close REE (e.g. $(Nb/La)_{PM} \leq 0.47$), Zr and Hf mark a positive anomaly relative to Sm ($(Zr/Sm)_{PM} \geq 1.22$). Y displays no anomaly.

Fig. 5. Whole-rock chondrite-normalized REE patterns (a) and PM-normalized trace element patterns (b) of the selected blueschist and eclogite facies samples.

Partially replaced rocks (lawsonite 25 vol.%)

These rocks (samples C11_2d, C11_2e and C11_2f) display similar major element composition to the metapelitic protolith except for a noticeable enrichment in Ca (~3 wt%) and depletion in K, Na and Fe and Mn (Table 1). Overall, these samples have higher concentrations of all trace elements compared with the metapelites (C11_2g & C11_2h), including Sr, which is enriched by one order of magnitude compared with the metapelites. Rb and Ba do not show such enrichment and rather have abundances similar to or slightly lower than that in the metapelites (Fig. 5a,b). While LREE fractionations relative to HREE are comparable to the metapelites, these samples have a steadier REE-normalized slope and do not show a sigmoid HREE to MREE segments. $(\text{Eu}/\text{Eu}^*)_{\text{N}}$ varies between 0.59 and 0.83. HFSE display similar abundances (i.e. within range) and behaviour relative to the REE than observed in the metapelitic protoliths. Higher Zr and Hf and slightly higher Ta, Nb and Ti compared with the metapelites also characterize these samples.

Extremely replaced rocks (lawsonite 75 vol.%)

Sample 1COR12-6b displays strong major element variations compared with the metapelitic protolith C11_2g (Table 1). SiO_2 is very low (down to ~38 wt %), along with strong depletion in K_2O (0.03 wt %) and Na_2O [$<$ detection limit (DL)]. Iron is slightly lower compared with the metapelites (6.68 wt %). MgO (5.82 wt %) and Al_2O_3 (~25.54 wt %) are higher, whereas CaO reaches very high content, up to ~12 wt %. The normalized REE pattern of 1COR12-6b is parallel to the partially metasomatised samples, but shifted to higher values ($(\text{La})_{\text{N}} = 251$) (Fig. 5a). LILE are also enriched especially Pb $(\text{Pb}/\text{Ce})_{\text{PM}} = 8.94$ and Sr $(\text{Sr}/\text{Ce})_{\text{PM}} = 0.47$ compared to $\text{Sr}/\text{Ce} = 0.02$ in the metapelitic protolith. The noteworthy exceptions are Rb and Ba that are severely depleted relative to the other LILE and to the protolith abundances (Fig. 5b). HFSE show the same behaviour as outlined before.

Lawsonite composition

Partially replaced rocks (lawsonite 25%; samples C11_2d, C11_2e, C11_2f)

Lawsonite is close to the ideal composition, but contains little Ti, Al, Cr and locally Mn (Table S1). Electron microprobe analyses reveal a slight variation in Ti, Al and Cr among the three detected lawsonite compositional zones (Law1–Law2–Law3) (Fig. 6). Titanium is higher in Law2 (up to ~0.15 wt %) compared with Law1 and Law3 (detection limit, see also next sections), and Fe increases from Law1 to Law3 (0.20–0.30 wt %). Cr is below detection limit in Law1 and Law2 and slightly increases in Law3.

Extremely replaced rocks (lawsonite 75%) (Sample 1cor12-6b)

Lawsonite is close to the ideal formula, but it contains Ti (maximum ~1 wt %), little Fe (maximum ~1 wt %) and little or no Cr (Fig. 7; Table S1). The spatial distribution of Ti-rich zones matches only in part the compositional patterns observed in BSE (Fig. S1). The darkest zones in BSE are commonly the poorest in Ti. The analysed lawsonite crystals do not contain inclusions of Ti-phases $>1 \mu\text{m}$ in size (based on BSE imaging, Fig. S1).

Lawsonite and titanite trace element patterns

LA-ICPMS analyses (Table 2) of the various lawsonite zones of sample C11-2d (Law = 25%) show that despite large variation, all lawsonite types have extremely high abundances of REE, with Yb and La varying from 1.34 up to 29.3 $\mu\text{g g}^{-1}$ and between 97 and 1560 $\mu\text{g g}^{-1}$ respectively. Such REE concentrations are significantly higher than most previously published lawsonite analyses of natural and synthetic origins (e.g. Tribuzio *et al.*, 1996; Ueno, 1999; Spandler *et al.*, 2003; Usui *et al.*, 2007; Martin *et al.*, 2011b, 2014), and are only slightly higher or in the range of the previously studied lawsonitites sample from Corsica (Martin *et al.*, 2011a).

Despite an order of magnitude of difference in REE concentration between Law1 $(\text{Yb})_{\text{N}} = 182 \pm 27$ and Law2 $(\text{Yb})_{\text{N}} = 40 \pm 10$, the two types have remarkably similar REE patterns (Fig. 6a). These patterns are characterized by an overall enrichment from the HREE to the LREE, marked by Eu-negative anomalies $(\text{Eu}/\text{Eu}^*)_{\text{N}} = 0.3 \pm 0.1$, and steeper HREE–MREE segments (e.g. $(\text{Gd}/\text{Lu})_{\text{N}} = 23 \pm 12$) than the MREE–LREE segments $(\text{La}/\text{Sm})_{\text{N}} = 3 \pm 1$. Law3 zones have similar REE abundances to the Law2 zones except for the HREE (Er, Yb, and Lu), which are higher in Law3 and have a less fractionated REE pattern $(\text{Gd}/\text{Lu})_{\text{N}} = 3 \pm 2$. The REE pattern of Law3 is the same as the whole-rock pattern.

All lawsonite types have PM-normalized trace element patterns marked by strong HFSE and Rb–Ba negative anomalies relative to the neighbouring REE (Fig. 6b). However the abundances and fractionation of the other LILE (U, Th, Pb and Sr) show strong variation as a function of the microstructural characteristic of the lawsonite (Fig. 6b,e,f). Law1 shows strong negative anomalies of Pb and Sr relative to the LREE $(0.02 < (\text{Pb}/\text{Ce})_{\text{PM}} \leq 0.04, 0.01 < (\text{Sr}/\text{Ce})_{\text{PM}} \leq 0.04)$; these negative anomalies are greatly reduced in Law3 (Fig. 6e). Whereas U and Th show relatively high abundances for all lawsonite zones, the U–Th fractionation varies significantly $(0.02 < (\text{U}/\text{Th})_{\text{PM}} \leq 2.69)$ amongst and within the lawsonite type (Fig. 6b,f). These LILE fractionations show complex patterns relative to the REE (Fig. 6e,f). As shown by microprobe analyses, Law2 has higher Ti ($\text{Ti}_{\text{N}} = 4$) compared with

Fig. 6. (a–d) Chondrite-normalized REE patterns (a, c) and PM-normalized trace element patterns (b, d) of lawsonite zoning (Law1, Law2, Law3 and Law4) in the selected blueschist (a, b) and eclogite facies (c, d) samples. Note that Law4 occurs uniquely in eclogite facies samples (c, d). (e, f) Variations of the $(\text{Pb/Ce})_{\text{PM}}$ vs. $(\text{Sm/Yb})_{\text{PM}}$ ratios (e) and $(\text{Sr/Ce})_{\text{PM}}$ vs. $(\text{U/Th})_{\text{PM}}$ ratios (e) in the different lawsonite zones of blueschist and eclogite facies samples.

Law1 ($\text{Ti}_N = 2$) and Law1 ($\text{Ti}_N = 1$). The B content is rather constant from Law1 to Law3, and ranges from 1.4 to 2 $\mu\text{g g}^{-1}$.

Titanite in sample C11_2d displays a convex chondrite-normalized REE pattern, with high HREE/LREE ratios ($(\text{Lu/La})_N = 8$) (Fig. S1). PM-normalized

Fig. 7. Ternary diagram showing the variation of the Al substitution in lawsonite compositional zones (Law1, Law2, Law3 and Law4) by Fe, Cr and Ti for different extents of metasomatism and metamorphic conditions. Lawsonite volume proportions are indicated in the legend (e.g. Law75%). Maximum content of each element is reported in atoms per formula unit (apfu) in the corners. Titanium is richer in low-grade and highly replaced rocks, while Fe and Cr tend to increase with metamorphic conditions.

trace element patterns show a distinct HFSE-positive anomaly, except for Zr and Hf, which show negative anomaly relative to MREE (Fig. S1). LILE display negative anomaly, except for Pb. B is very low ($0.8 \mu\text{g g}^{-1}$).

Lawsonite eclogite unit

Whole rock

Due to the high lithological variability of the protolith, an unambiguous identification of the precursor composition for these rocks prior to metasomatism was not possible during our field study. Samples OF3598 and OF3532 display low SiO_2 (~44 wt%), high CaO and MgO (~19 wt% and 6 wt% respectively), low Na_2O (0.4 wt%) and very low K_2O (0.01–0.3 wt%) (Table 1). Whole-rock composition of sample OF3551 was not obtained owing to the occurrence of veins, but modal amounts of major minerals in the host rock suggest a composition similar to sample OF3598, but higher quartz modal proportions suggest higher SiO_2 .

Chondrite-normalized REE patterns of the two analysed samples show a similar trend to the blueschist samples except for a positive Eu anomaly ($(\text{Eu}/\text{Eu}^*)_N$ up to 2.0) (Fig. 5a). Sample OF3532 has higher HREE concentration compared with all other studied samples ($(\text{Lu})_N = 40$). PM-normalized trace elements display Rb- and Ba-negative anomaly, same as the blueschist facies metasomatites (Fig. 5b). Sr

displays high concentration ($8.39 < (\text{Sr})_N < 12.06$) compared with a metapelitic reference (C11_2 g, C11_2 h, $(\text{Sr})_N = 0.55$). HFSE patterns are comparable to all studied samples. Sample OF3532 displays very high Cr ($1826 \mu\text{g g}^{-1}$) and Ni ($159 \mu\text{g g}^{-1}$) compared with the average composition of the surrounding rock types (meta-sedimentary rocks, felsic rocks and metaophiolites), except for serpentinites (see e.g. Deschamps *et al.*, 2013).

Lawsonite and titanite trace element patterns

Lawsonite LA-ICP-MS *in situ* trace element analyses were performed on sample OF3598. The four lawsonite compositional zones recognized in BSE (Law1–4) display different compositional patterns (see Sample description and Fig. 6c,d). Law1 and Law2 chondrite-normalized REE and PM-normalized patterns are comparable to Law1 and Law2 of the blueschist facies lawsonite, with an overall enrichment from the HREE to the LREE, and marked by Eu-negative anomalies ($0.46 < (\text{Eu}/\text{Eu}^*)_N < 0.49$) and large HFSE and Rb-Ba-negative anomalies. Law3 displays similar pattern, but differs from the blueschist facies Law3 in having a smaller negative Eu anomaly ($(\text{Eu}/\text{Eu}^*)_N = 0.76$), and a steeper HREE slope ($(\text{Gd}/\text{Lu})_N = 5.1 \pm 1.4$ vs. 3 ± 1 in the blueschist Law3). From Law1 to Law3, Pb and Sr show a progressive shift from strong ($(\text{Pb}/\text{Ce})_{\text{PM}} = 0.01$; $(\text{Sr}/\text{Ce})_{\text{PM}} = 0.01$) to low ($(\text{Pb}/\text{Ce})_{\text{PM}} = 0.83$; $(\text{Sr}/\text{Ce})_{\text{PM}} = 0.46$) negative anomalies (Fig. 6d). Law4

displays more complex patterns, with HREE varying from positive ($(\text{Gd/Lu})_N = 4.2$) to negative slopes ($(\text{Gd/Lu})_N = 0.3$), but all have a distinct Eu-positive anomaly ($4.3 < (\text{Eu/Eu}^*)_N < 6.3$). Pb and Sr display further increase, yielding a positive anomaly ($2.2 < (\text{Pb/Ce})_{\text{PM}} < 4.2$; $2.1 < (\text{Sr/Ce})_{\text{PM}} < 4.0$). Rb and Ba show enrichment from Law1 to Law2, followed by a sharp decrease in Law3 and Law4. U/Th fractionation displays variable values in Law1 ($(\text{U/Th})_{\text{PM}} = 0.5$), Law2 ($(\text{U/Th})_{\text{PM}} = 0.7$) and Law3 ($(\text{U/Th})_{\text{PM}} = 1.8$), and major increase in Law4 ($16.2 < (\text{U/Th})_{\text{PM}} < 22.5$) (Fig. 6f). Boron displays scattered patterns, with higher values in Law1–2 ($4.5\text{--}5.6 \mu\text{g g}^{-1}$) than in Law3–4 ($1\text{--}2.3 \mu\text{g g}^{-1}$). The lowest B content is observed in the darkest Law4.

Titanite in sample C11_2d displays a convex chondrite-normalized REE pattern, with HREE/LREE ratios ($(\text{Lu/La})_N = 10.6$) similar to the blueschist facies sample, but here has a positive Eu anomaly ($(\text{Eu/Eu}^*)_N = 3.1$) (Fig. S2). PM-normalized trace element patterns are similar to the blueschist facies rocks, but display less marked Sr, Zr and Hf negative

anomalies (Fig. S2). The B content in titanite reaches $\sim 4 \mu\text{g g}^{-1}$ (Table 2).

MASS CHANGE DURING METASOMATISM

Field and microstructural evidence indicates that, in the Lawsonite-blueschist unit, lawsonite metasomatites formed at the expense of a metapelitic protolith such as samples C11_2 g and C11_2 h. Mass changes for major element during metasomatism of these samples were calculated following the approach of Grant (2005) (see also van der Straaten *et al.*, 2012) (Fig. 8).

In partially replaced samples (25 vol.% lawsonite), most major elements cluster near the 1:1 line, except for Ca, which displays mass gain $>3000\%$ (note the very low Ca content in the metapelitic protolith), and Mn (-10%), Fe and Na (both -25%), which show mass loss. Trace elements show much more complex trends, but with a general mass gain. HFSE are near 1:1 for Hf and Zr, while they experienced mass gain up to $\sim 40\%$ for Ta, Nb and Ti, and up to $+70\%$ for Y. LREE display common mass gain at $\sim 50\%$.

Fig. 8. Isocon diagram showing mass change trends of major and trace elements of two sets of samples displaying partial (small symbols; average of samples containing ~ 25 vol.% lawsonite: C11_2d, e, f) and strong (large symbols; ~ 75 vol.% lawsonite: 1COR12-6b) replacement compared with the metapelites not affected by lawsonite metasomatism (C11_2 g, h). Following the approach of Grant (2005), the isocon is based on the slope of C_i^A/C_i^O (C_i^A and C_i^O are the concentration of species i in the Altered and the Original rock respectively). The slope of the isocon is based on immobility of U, V, Ga and Hf, which do not show significant variation during metasomatism and cluster near 1 ($r^2 = 0.98$). Data are scaled to even values in decreasing concentration, from major elements to trace elements, except for CaO, Sr and H₂O that are scaled to lower values because of the strong variations. Layout inspired by van der Straaten *et al.* (2012). Lawsonite composition is also plotted for reference.

MREE cluster from $\sim +60\%$ (Sm) to $\sim +100$ – 120% (Gd, Dy, Eu, Tb). HREE plot between $+40$ (Lu) and $+150\%$ (Ho). LILE show different trends with U and Th near 1:1, Cs, Ba, Rb, K and Pb with constant mass loss of $\sim -25\%$, and Sr with very high mass gain at $\sim +1000\%$.

In extremely replaced samples (75 vol.% lawsonite), trends of mass change are similar to those of the partially replaced ones, but shifted towards higher values. Ca increases further ($>10^4\%$), and Fe and Na are depleted to -35% and -80% . Al and Mg, which were close to 1:1 in less metasomatized samples, show a mass gain up to $\sim +25\%$ and $+70\%$ respectively. Most HFSE (Ta, Nb, Zr, Ti and Y) experienced further mass gain up to $\sim +60$ – 75% , or $+90\%$ for Y, and Hf is near 1:1. REE display further mass gain, especially for MREE, which gain up to $+150\%$ compared with the partially replaced samples. Eu and Gd show the highest mass gain ($\sim +400\%$ and $+300\%$ respectively). Among LILE, Sr and Pb also show high and very high mass gain, up to $+200\%$ and $>10,000\%$ respectively; Th increases up to $\sim +40\%$, U is near 1:1 and univalent LILE (Cs, Rb, Ba and K) display a common high decrease near -100% (Fig. 8). Mass gain in H_2O reaches $\sim 200\%$.

The above mass change patterns summarize lawsonite metasomatism under blueschist facies conditions. At higher P – T in the Lawsonite-eclogite unit, precise mass change calculation was not possible owing to the uncertainty on the protolith composition, but the main major and trace element patterns suggest similar processes. In addition, textural and compositional features indicate additional element mobilization/fluid influx at higher P – T conditions, including at least Cr and Na mass gain (see previous section). A further increase of Eu is also expected in eclogite facies conditions because of the distinct whole-rock positive anomaly in all analysed eclogite facies samples (Fig. 5a,b).

DISCUSSION

Global significance and HP metamorphic conditions of lawsonite metasomatism

Apart from Alpine Corsica, reports of lawsonite metasomatites are limited to a tectonic block included in a serpentinite mélangé in Guatemala (Tsujimori & Ernst, 2014), and rare chlorite-lawsonite-rich rocks at the contact between serpentinites and the overlying metabasalts in the HP terranes of the Tavşanlı Zone, Turkey (Zack, 2013). Despite this apparent rarity, several arguments suggest that these rocks may be common at HP conditions in subduction zones. As an example, the wide P – T conditions at which the Corsican lawsonitites formed (350 – 550 °C/ 1.5 – 2.3 GPa) are comparable to the P – T conditions of several other exhumed HP/LT metamorphic rocks of oceanic affinity (e.g. Agard *et al.*, 2009 for review) (Fig. 9). There-

fore, these rocks or their pseudomorphic products may occur in other HP/LT belts. Noticeably, fully retrogressed lawsonite-rich rocks are described in similar settings in the Western Alps (Angiboust *et al.*, 2011). Moreover, epidote-rich rocks in retrogressed lawsonite-blueschist blocks in serpentinites in the Kurosegawa zone (Japan) may also represent a suitable case study (Miyazoe *et al.*, 2012).

Robust field, textural and geochemical evidence supports the idea that this type of Ca-rich metasomatism occurred at HP conditions during subduction, rather than prior to subduction, e.g. during seafloor hydrothermal alteration. Field observations and P – T estimates indicate that lawsonite metasomatism occurs in rocks that experienced at least 360 – 370 °C and ~ 1.5 GPa, and this metamorphic condition remarkably represents a regional isograd for this process in Alpine Corsica. Episodic infiltration of external fluids at HP/LT is indicated by compositional oscillatory zoning in several HP minerals, such as garnet, e.g. Ca-rich garnet overgrowing Mn bell-shaped Alpine HP garnet (see fig. 4a in Martin *et al.*, 2011a), or complex compositional zoning in lawsonite and clinopyroxene (Cr and Na, respectively, this study). Similar Cr oscillatory zoning in lawsonite is described for the lawsonitite in Guatemala, and is interpreted as the result of episodic Cr-rich fluid influx (Tsujimori *et al.*, 2006b; Tsujimori & Ernst, 2014). Data provided in this study also suggest that lawsonite metasomatites formed during prograde metamorphism rather than during retrogression. The main indication for that is given by similarities in lawsonite zoning in both blueschist and eclogite facies samples (Law1–3), followed by successive rims (Law4 + Cr zoning), which are found only in eclogite facies samples. Noticeably, if in some samples traces of both blueschist and eclogite facies lawsonite metasomatism occur, in other samples, textural and petrological evidence indicates that the main metasomatic pulse occurred at eclogite facies conditions (see sample COE5 in Martin *et al.*, 2011a). This feature probably indicates that lawsonite metasomatites formed continuously under increasing metamorphic conditions and that they locally recorded only part of the entire fluid–rock interaction history, possibly controlled by lithological (i.e. dehydration reactions) and structural (i.e. fluid pathways) constraints, or reaction overstepping.

Lawsonite metasomatism and element redistribution in subduction zones

The interaction between fluid circulating at HP and the surrounding lithologies may result in significant element redistribution (John *et al.*, 2008; Spandler & Pirard, 2013). Lawsonite metasomatites offer a window on the nature and composition of these fluids and the transported elements. Moreover, the occurrence of these rocks in tectonic units affected by

Fig. 10. Schematic representation of the relationships between metamorphic reactions and geochemical patterns in lawsonites. The light and dark stars refer to the minimum and maximum conditions of lawsonite metasomatism found in Corsica, respectively, which also match the P - T conditions at which significant serpentinite-derived fluid influx (e.g. Cr, HREE and high U/Th) occurs respectively. Formation of lawsonite metasomatites results in loss of elements such as K, Rb, Ba, Cs and possibly B (see Discussion), and in the reincorporation of mainly high LREE/HREE, Sr and Eu from the fluid phase. The breakdown of lawsonite-rich hybrid rocks may result in significant fluxes of these elements to the mantle wedge or sink of Ca-rich reservoirs into the deep mantle.

which also increase in the whole rock, are mainly hosted in titanite (Nb, Ta, Ti) and zircon (Zr), which are also found in lawsonite metasomatites. Y shows a sudden increase as soon as lawsonite begins to form in the rock (i.e. partially replaced samples). This suggests that Y is primarily controlled by lawsonite, together with titanite (see also Spandler *et al.*, 2003 for similar conclusion). Sodium has a complex behaviour as it decreases during the first stages of metasomatism from blueschist facies conditions, but it locally re-enters the system after major Ca-Mg dominated metasomatism in eclogite facies conditions (e.g. late omphacite in diopside-dominated rocks). This feature suggests the occurrence of multiple stages of metasomatism, possibly controlled by changing P - T conditions, successive dehydration reactions or variations of redox state.

Hacker (2008) discussed the role of epidotes formed during seafloor alteration as a suitable composition for anomalously high lawsonite amount at HP conditions. However, the geological implications of the two processes are different. Lawsonite metasomatism forms during subduction, and its geochemical patterns attest for the reincorporation of trace elements from the fluid phase during HP metamor-

phism. Moreover, trace element mobility may be different at (sub)seafloor conditions relative to HP conditions, thus possibly resulting in different geochemical patterns. The fluid source of lawsonitites has a different origin, being the result of progressive dehydration of subducting rocks, and their interaction with the surrounding lithologies, instead of hydration of oceanic crust or seafloor hydrothermal circulations. The possible compositional contrasts between lawsonitites and epidotes would deserve further study.

As in other HP hydrated 'hybrid' rocks formed by metasomatism at HP conditions (cf. discussion in Spandler *et al.*, 2008), lawsonite metasomatites may retain these high trace element contents to great depth. This feature can thus favour more efficient trace element redistribution at great depth during lawsonite breakdown compared with other dehydration reactions. However, compared with the other known hydrated hybrid rocks (e.g. chlorite-talc rocks, Spandler *et al.*, 2008; Marschall & Schumacher, 2012), lawsonitites contain overall much higher trace element concentrations (especially Th, U, Sr, Pb) and are stable to greater depth where partial melting may occur in cold and intermediate subduction zones (Fig. 9).

Lawsonite compositional zoning and geochemical patterns

Lawsonite formed during fluid–rock interactions in the studied samples displays strong compositional zoning. In samples ranging from blueschist to eclogite facies conditions, four main compositional zones were identified (Law1–4), together with local compositional signatures (e.g. Ti- or Cr-rich lawsonite), which all provide important insight into the development of lawsonite metasomatism. The most remarkable ones are discussed in the following.

- (i) The high trace element concentration in Law1 compared with the other generations. Hourglass textures associated with compositional zones Law1–3 suggest fast growth mechanism (Wass, 1973; Ueno, 1999) during the early stages of metasomatism at blueschist facies conditions (minimum P – T = ~ 1.5 GPa and 370 °C). Therefore, they must be seen as a single step of lawsonite growth. Law1, however, displays a particular textural position in the core of the hourglass. Moreover, it incorporated much greater amounts of REE compared with Law2 or Law3 (LREE up to 9000 times chondrite). Law1, Law2 and Law3 have very similar REE patterns. In contrast, PM-normalized trace element patterns exhibit notable differences (see below), indicating a heterogeneous distribution in the three lawsonite types. Therefore, although microtextures suggest their contemporaneous growth, the above-mentioned trends may indicate slightly different mechanisms of growth from those of standard hourglass structures. The transition from Law3 to Law4 is characterized by oscillatory or more complex zoning, and probably represents successive stages of growth with time or varying P – T conditions. They also show different REE patterns, characterized by a weaker fractionation of the HREE relative to the MREE. This is also suggested by the distinctive trends formed by the various types of lawsonite (e.g. Pb/Ce vs. Sm/Yb and Sr/Ce vs. U/Th), reflecting various fractionation processes of Pb, Sr relative to REE and U–Th (Fig. 6e,f).
- (ii) The contrasting Eu anomaly in lawsonite between blueschist and eclogite facies samples. Martin *et al.* (2011a) interpreted the negative Eu anomaly of lawsonite core regions as an indication of formation during the prograde path in the presence of plagioclase prior to metasomatism. However, although the blueschist facies metasomatic lawsonite studied in this work displays a distinct negative Eu anomaly, it formed (i) from protoliths that never contained plagioclase, i.e. metapelites lacking Ca and Na, and (ii) at P – T conditions at which albite is no longer stable (370 °C, 1.5 GPa). On the contrary, preliminary trace element analyses on phengite show that this mineral was possibly the main host of Eu in the rock prior to, or even during, the early stage of metasomatic lawsonite precipitation. In blueschist facies samples, a progressive decrease of the Eu anomaly from Law1–2 to Law3 and finally to the small lawsonite cluster (Fig. 6a,c) may thereby support the observed progressive consumption of phengite during lawsonite growth. Moreover, the bulk rock Eu content progressively increases during the continuous enrichment of lawsonite in the rock from a distinct negative anomaly in the pristine metapelite to very weak anomaly in strongly replaced samples (Fig. 5a). This suggests that the increase of Eu in lawsonite is possibly due to Eu infiltration by external fluids. This feature indicates that, despite the negative Eu anomaly that is characteristic of the blueschist facies samples, the Eu anomaly may relate not only to P – T conditions (e.g. plagioclase stability, Martin *et al.*, 2011a) but also to the degree of consumption of precursor minerals (e.g. phengite) and infiltration of Eu-rich fluids.
- (iii) The progressive enrichment in Sr from Law1 to Law4 in agreement with the Sr whole-rock variation with increasing lawsonite vol.% is symptomatic of the massive addition of Sr in the system, and this clearly correlates with the very high Ca enrichment. Similar patterns are observed for Pb.
- (iv) The enrichment of HREE/MREE ratios in the more external lawsonite rims relative to the cores in both the blueschist (Law3) and eclogite (darker Law4) zones. This feature can be due either to the consumption of HREE-rich phases (e.g. garnet or pumpellyite, Martin *et al.*, 2014) through changing metamorphic conditions, or it may signal a change in the nature of the fluid source, or be a consequence of all these processes. The occurrence of atoll garnet in some eclogitic lawsonite metasomatites (Martin *et al.*, 2011a) supports the first hypothesis. However, in the studied samples, garnet does not occur, especially in blueschist facies samples, and probably indicates that HREE were available from the infiltrating fluids. As a further confirmation, in strongly metasomatized samples from both units, whole-rock HREE increase, indicating incoming fluids bearing high HREE/MREE ratios. The occurrence of these trends in the outermost lawsonite rims in both blueschist and eclogite facies samples indicates a lack of dependence on increasing P – T conditions, and possibly suggests the effect of geochemical countertrends during retrograde re-equilibration. This hypothesis requires further study.
- (v) The progressive fractionation of Zr and Th relative to Hf and U from Law1 to Law4 (Fig. 6b, d), which contrasts with the whole-rock progressive gain in both elements during metasomatism (Fig. 5b). This feature suggests the formation of metasomatic zircon, as reported by Rubatto &

Hermann (2003) in the HP units of the Western Alps and is supported by the occurrence of zircon in veins in sample OF3551.

- (vi) The Fe, Ti and Cr zoning. Ferric iron in lawsonite is classically believed to increase with metamorphic grade (Maruyama & Liou, 1988), and this is confirmed by our study (Fig. 6). The occurrence of Cr oscillatory zoning in lawsonite has also been reported in other HP/LT rocks (e.g. Sherlock & Okay, 1999; Davis & Whitney, 2006). In our sample, Cr-rich lawsonite only occurs in HP veins. This feature, together with the lack of Cr-bearing phases in the studied host rock samples, probably indicates that Cr infiltrated from external fluids through highly channelized pathways (cf. also Spandler *et al.*, 2011; Tsujimori & Ernst, 2014). High Ti-Al substitution in lawsonite is not common, and this is probably the first occurrence of such a high Ti content in lawsonite. This feature will deserve further mineralogical study. In our rocks, Ti increases with increasing metasomatism, but at low P - T conditions (Fig. 7), along with Nb enrichment in lawsonite, which typically concentrates in Ti-bearing phases (Zack *et al.*, 2002). This feature suggests that Ti zoning in lawsonite may be due to episodic destabilization of Ti-bearing phases in the surrounding rocks. The early destabilization of rutile in metapelites in favour of titanite formation during metasomatism (Fig. 3a-c), together with the occurrence of Ti-rich lawsonite only at low P - T conditions (Fig. 6), supports this hypothesis, and also suggests a possible Ti repartition between titanite and lawsonite during rutile breakdown. Titanite formation may also account for strong HFSE fractionation in lawsonite compared with the whole rock (Fig. 6b,d). In the studied samples, we therefore observe a progressive Ti/Fe/Cr-Al substitution with increasing metamorphic grade (Fig. 7). This feature can derive either from a variation of the structural properties of lawsonite under rising P - T , or from the mineralogical evolution of the surrounding lithologies during metamorphism or both. There has been little study of the substitution of Fe, Cr and Ti in lawsonite, and, especially for Ti, more work is encouraged for possible thermobarometric applications.

Fluid sources

Fluid generated by successive dehydration reactions in different lithologies may favour chemical interaction along lithological boundaries, especially where chemical contrast is strong (e.g. Bach *et al.*, 2013; Galvez *et al.*, 2013). The geochemical patterns of lawsonite metasomatites permit discussion of the possible lithologies involved in this process at HP conditions.

Calcium enrichment characterizes the entire evolution of lawsonite metasomatism, but does not provide a unique clue about the fluid source. Possible sources of Ca exist in all involved lithologies, such as metabasites, serpentinite and meta-sedimentary rocks. If lawsonite metasomatism is compared with rodingitization, it is important to notice that, despite the evidence that the fluid was Ca-rich (see Mass change during metasomatism), lawsonite metasomatism was possibly enhanced not only by the abundance of Ca in the fluid but also by the low silica activity (note the strong decrease in Si in lawsonite metasomatites) in the rock resulting from fluid-rock interaction (see Bach & Klein, 2009; Bach *et al.*, 2013 for rodingite formation). Both Ca enrichment and decreasing Si activity are therefore proposed as motors for lawsonite metasomatism. Strontium progressively increases in lawsonite, as well as in the whole rock. Again different sources can be envisaged, such as plagioclase-rich lithologies (i.e. mafic rocks), carbonate-rich meta-sedimentary rocks and serpentinite. Recent investigations into the geochemical evolution of serpentinites under increasing P - T demonstrated that Sr is mobilized from serpentinites from about 360 to ~390 °C due to lizardite/chrysotile breakdown in favour of antigorite (Lafay *et al.*, 2013). This temperature range (360–390 °C) is consistent with the regional isograd for lawsonite metasomatism in Alpine Corsica, corresponding to ~370 °C. Moreover, the marked U/Th-positive fractionation, Sr and Pb enrichment over Ce, and the higher HREE abundances in Law3 and in particular in Law4 are typical signatures of serpentinites and altered oceanic lithosphere (Staudigel *et al.*, 1996; Godard *et al.*, 2008).

Chromium influx characterizing some eclogite facies samples provides more robust insights into fluid sources. Chromium-rich samples also have high Ni, which have been shown to be tracers of serpentinite-derived fluids at HP conditions (e.g. Spandler *et al.*, 2011). The availability of serpentinite-derived fluid under eclogite facies conditions matches with the P - T conditions required for brucite breakdown (~500 °C at 2 GPa, e.g. Evans *et al.*, 1976; Scambelluri *et al.*, 1991), which in turn matches the regional P - T conditions of prograde eclogite facies metamorphism in Alpine Corsica (Vitale Brovarone *et al.*, 2011a, 2013). All the above features suggest that serpentinites probably represent a major source of fluids (and elements) for lawsonite metasomatism under various P - T conditions. These fluids then reacted along lithological boundaries involving different lithologies, e.g. metabasites and meta-sedimentary rocks, which possibly contributed to the characteristic geochemical signatures of lawsonitites (e.g. Ca). Notably, lawsonite-rich products commonly formed on protoliths poor in Ca prior to metasomatism (e.g. metapelites), indicating a complex element redistribution between a fluid phase and one or more rock types.

However, lawsonite metasomatites were also found in the presence of mafic rocks, suggesting alternatively (i) distinct and locally derived fluid sources, (ii) serpentinite-derived fluid and large-scale fluid flows or (iii) both processes. The strong similitude of trace element patterns for whole rock and lawsonite zoning in similar microstructural context in both blueschist and eclogite facies samples (Fig. 6) suggests that diverse fluid sources are unlikely. It could be argued that this strong similitude is due to the lattice structure of lawsonite relative to partition coefficient at different P – T conditions. However, given the rather constant composition of lawsonite at different P – T and the wide range of trace elements that it contains, this appears unlikely. Furthermore, the various generations of lawsonite have significantly different REE and LILE patterns. This suggests that the composition of the fluid is similar at the beginning of lawsonite metasomatism (Law1–2) and at the later stages of lawsonite formation (Law3 $\approx$ Law4), and points to serpentinite as the most probable fluid source. In any case, it is worth noticing that water incorporated in lawsonitites may derive from external fluid sources (e.g. serpentinites) and from *in situ* consumption of hydrous phases during metasomatism (e.g. phengite).

If serpentinites were considered as the main fluid and elemental source, the data provided here indicate the occurrence of large-scale (tens to hundreds of metres to justify the development of lawsonite rinds in the absence of serpentinite) fluid flows at HP. This conclusion somewhat differs from previous studies that proposed local or internally derived fluids in Alpine HP complexes (e.g. Corsica: Miller *et al.*, 2001; Western Alps: Philippot & Silverstone, 1991; Busigny *et al.*, 2003). Large-scale fluid flow at HP conditions has been shown to be highly channelized (e.g. Miller *et al.*, 2003; Zack & John, 2007). The occurrence of lawsonite metasomatites along lithological boundaries suggests the localization of fluid pathways along compositional/rheological discontinuities, and supports this hypothesis. However, lawsonite rinds also occur around isolated mafic blocks in meta-sedimentary rocks, suggesting large-scale networks of fluid pathways (cf. model by Miller *et al.*, 2003).

Lawsonite metasomatism and magmatism

As shown in the previous sections, lawsonite metasomatism induces a progressive chemical shift towards the CASH system. In this chemical system, the stability of lawsonite is enhanced, allowing it to be stable at higher temperature relative to the basaltic system (Poli & Schmidt, 1995; Martin *et al.*, 2014). This feature suggests that the stability of lawsonitites may extend to deeper conditions, and reach sub-arc conditions. The breakdown of lawsonite from metasomatites may thus contribute to the genesis of arc magmas and their chemical signature, by releasing water and as a reservoir of trace elements. The close-

ness between partial melting reactions in sediments or oceanic crust, and lawsonite breakdown reactions in the CASH system between 3.5 and 4.5 GPa (Martin *et al.*, 2014) also suggest that, when present, lawsonite metasomatites may play a role in the partial melting of the surrounding lithologies. This mechanism may be particularly efficient in chaotic structures that may form along the plate interface, also referred to as subduction mélanges, where lawsonitites have been shown to form (Tsujimori & Ernst, 2014).

Fluid–rock interaction and metasomatism are powerful mechanisms to transfer elements at HP conditions (e.g. Breeding *et al.*, 2004; Zack & John, 2007; Spandler *et al.*, 2008; Spandler & Pirard, 2013). These processes and the resulting metasomatic rocks, or ‘hybrid’ rocks (e.g. Spandler *et al.*, 2008), have been shown to be a key element for the three-component mixing model (fluid–mafic–meta-sedimentary) proposed for the genesis of the particular geochemical fingerprints of arc magmas, which are characterized by high LILE, high LREE/HREE and low HFSE (e.g. McCulloch & Gamble, 1991; Marschall & Schumacher, 2012 and references therein). Lawsonite metasomatism favours the formation of rocks with high LREE/REE ratios and concentration of high valence LILE (especially Sr, Figs 5 & 6e,f). However, the proportion of these elements transferred to the fluid *vs.* minerals such as allanite or epidote after lawsonite breakdown depends on the partitioning of the trace elements between the fluid phase and these minerals, which is still poorly understood (see Martin *et al.*, 2014 for a discussion). The process of lawsonite metasomatism also results in a significant loss of univalent LILE (Cs, Ba, Rb and K). A protracted metasomatism at HP conditions, possibly enhanced by the full antigorite breakdown, may represent a source of these elements in the fore to sub-arc mantle and then in arc magmas. The high HFSE in lawsonitite are mainly hosted in titanite, which probably behaves as a residual phase during partial melting (McCulloch & Gamble, 1991).

Lawsonite metasomatism may also contribute to the formation of Ca-rich reservoirs in the deep mantle. It has been proposed that these chemical heterogeneities in the deep mantle may explain some of the geochemical characteristics of magmas originated from deep mantle sources, such as Ocean Island Basalt (Brenker *et al.*, 2005). Ca-rich deep mantle inclusions studied by these authors show enrichment in Sr, Y, Zr, U and Th, which match in part the geochemical enrichment in lawsonitites (Sr, Y, Zr, Th). Therefore, lawsonite metasomatism involves major and trace element redistributions that are consistent with some of the geochemical patterns of arc and deep magmas, and may be therefore contribute, at least in part, to their genesis.

Boron isotopes are a marker of fluid-mediated mass transfer during subduction (Peacock & Hervig,

1999; Scambelluri & Tonarini, 2012). Some authors considered lawsonite (and chlorite) as a significant B reservoir (e.g. Domanik *et al.*, 1993; Bebout *et al.*, 2007), whereas other authors questioned its relevance as a B host (Marschall *et al.*, 2006). Our analyses of B in lawsonite show maximum concentrations in the range of 4–7 $\mu\text{g g}^{-1}$, which are not negligible if possible B surface contaminations are excluded (e.g. Marschall & Ludwig, 2004). Although our B data have to be considered as preliminary, the generally low B concentration in titanite ($<1 \mu\text{g g}^{-1}$) and in the outermost lawsonite rims relative to the cores may suggest limited surface contaminations, and permit a preliminary interpretation to be made. The drastic consumption of phengite (main B host in HP rocks, Marschall *et al.*, 2006) in lawsonite-chlorite fels may possibly result in either (i) partial B loss during metasomatism and generation of B-rich fluids or (ii) the incorporation of still relatively high B amount in lawsonite and chlorite (hypothesis to be tested with additional analyses). Our data show that the progressive growth of lawsonite (Law1–4) is accompanied by a decrease in the B content, possibly supporting the first hypothesis. Precipitation and destabilization of lawsonite metasomatites may therefore possibly participate in the enrichments in ^{11}B of slab-derived fluids.

CONCLUSIONS

This work provides a structural, microstructural and geochemical overview of lawsonite metasomatism in Alpine Corsica. These rocks started to form at pre-arc depths, from 370 °C/1.5 GPa, to at least 550 °C/2.3 GPa, and were able to incorporate a large amount of trace elements circulating at HP conditions. This metasomatism resulted from the interaction between serpentinite-derived fluids and other lithologies, such as metamafic and/or meta-sedimentary rocks. The characteristic signature of lawsonite metasomatite matches in part with that of volcanic arc products, e.g. enrichment of Sr and Pb over REE and high LREE/HREE. The subsequent destabilization of these rocks, which may occur at sub-arc depth in subduction zones characterized by intermediate geothermal gradients, may possibly represent a fluid and elemental source for magmas or geochemical heterogeneities in the deep mantle. In cold subduction zones, these rocks may otherwise represent a major host of Ca, trace elements and water to great depth, with important implications for geochemical cycling at subduction zones and back-arc settings.

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Figure S1. BSE images and Ti X-ray map of Ti-rich lawsonite in sample 1COR12-6. (a) Large aggregate of lawsonite displaying complex BSE zoning. (b) Close up of (a). (c) Ti X-ray compositional map of (b). Note the absence of Ti-rich inclusions (e.g. rutile, titanite). (d) Complex zoning patterns in lawsonite. Note the alternating brighter and darker bands, and the outer rims. All BSE images were acquired at high contrast conditions.

Figure S2. Chondrite-normalized REE patterns (a, b) and PM-normalized trace element patterns (c, d) of titanite of the selected blueschist and eclogite facies samples.

Table S1. Electron microprobe analyses of phengite and chlorite of the selected samples.

Table S2. Electron microprobe analyses of lawsonite of the selected samples.

Table S3. Electron microprobe analyses of titanite of the selected samples.

Table S4. Electron microprobe analyses of clinopyroxene and amphibole of the selected samples.