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ABSTRACT

We present new measurements of $^{138}\text{Ce}/^{142}\text{Ce}$ and $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ isotopic ratios in terrestrial and extra-terrestrial samples. The mean value obtained from nine chondrites defines the $^{138}\text{Ce}/^{142}\text{Ce}$ ratio of the chondritic uniform reservoir (CHUR) as 0.02256577 ± 66 (2sd). MORBs and OIBs define the mantle array in the ϵNd vs. ϵCe diagram to be $\epsilon\text{Nd} = -7.3 (\pm 0.5) \times \epsilon\text{Ce} + 0.4 (\pm 0.3)$. From MORB measurements, we derive the isotopic composition of the depleted MORB mantle (DMM) to be $\epsilon\text{Ce} = -1.1 \pm 0.6$ (2sd). Both CHUR and a modelled early-depleted mantle reservoir plot on the mantle array. Thus, the precise determination of the mantle array does not further constrain the La/Ce and Sm/Nd ratios of the bulk silicate Earth (BSE; i.e., primitive mantle). The composition of 1.8 Ga upper continental crust obtained from aeolian sediments is $\epsilon\text{Ce} = 1.8 \pm 0.3$ (2sd; $\epsilon\text{Nd} = -11.2$), and that of its 2.2 Ga equivalent is $\epsilon\text{Ce} = 2.3 \pm 0.3$ (2sd; $\epsilon\text{Nd} = -17$). Binary mixing models between depleted (DMM) and enriched (upper crust or mafic crust composition) components do not reproduce the linear Ce-Nd mantle array but plots close to the island arc basalt data. When the bulk Ce isotopic composition of the

continental crust is calculated from the range of accepted Nd isotope values and a mass-balance budget of the BSE, the mixing curves are closer to the mantle array. However the calculated Ce isotopic composition for the bulk crust is always less radiogenic than measurements. Adjusting the Ce-Nd isotopic composition or the Ce/Nd ratio of the end-members to fully linearise the mixing curve leads to unrealistic values never measured in terrestrial samples. We propose a recycling model to reconstruct the mantle array with the participation of both oceanic crust and sediments in the mantle through time. Cerium is a redox sensitive element, making the La-Ce and Sm-Nd systematics an ideal combination to investigate sediment recycling through time. In this recycling model, the most extreme EM-like signatures require the involvement of oceanic sediments that formed under reduced conditions before the Great Oxygenation Event at 2.4 Ga, and which are devoid of Ce elemental anomalies.

Keywords: $^{138}\text{Ce}/^{142}\text{Ce}$; rare earth elements; chondritic bulk silicate Earth; silicate reservoirs; mantle array; ocean island basalts.

1. Introduction

Long-lived isotope systematics are remarkable tracers of the long-term evolution of the different terrestrial reservoirs. Radiometric systems based on refractory lithophile elements are the most likely to provide robust information on the bulk silicate Earth (BSE) because they were not lost during Earth's accretion or segregated into the core during its differentiation. Indeed, rare earth elements (REEs) have high condensation temperatures and remain strictly lithophile at the conditions of Earth's core formation (Bouhifd et al., 2015). The REE concentrations of the primitive mantle (PM) are assumed to be equivalent to those of the BSE, and their ratios should be chondritic if chondrites are the Earth's main building blocks. Boyet and Carlson (2005) identified a systematic offset between the $^{142}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ ratios of modern terrestrial rocks and chondrites resulting in an active debate on the refractory lithophile element composition of the PM (see Caro et al., 2008; Jackson and Jellinek, 2013; O'Neill and Palme,

2008). ^{142}Nd is a radiogenic isotope partly produced by the decay of ^{146}Sm ($T_{1/2}=103$ Ma). Variations in the ^{142}Nd abundances exist among Solar System materials and they reflect isotopic heterogeneities within the protoplanetary disk (Bouvier and Boyet, 2016; Burkhardt et al., 2016). Determining terrestrial variations relative to chondrites thus requires precise knowledge of the nature of Earth's building blocks. Isotopic similarities between terrestrial samples and enstatite chondrites (ECs) suggest this group of chondrites to be the main terrestrial component (Dauphas, 2017; Javoy, 1995). The mean EC $^{142}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ value is nevertheless lower than that of the BSE without distinguishable variations in their non-radiogenic Nd isotopic compositions from Earth (Burkhardt et al., 2016; Boyet et al., 2018). Variations in $^{142}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ values between different EC subgroups show further that the EL3 subgroup matches the terrestrial value (Boyet et al., 2018). These results remove the need of an early fractionation of the Sm/Nd ratio of the Earth if the Earth was purely made of EL3 materials. The EL3 chondrites are nevertheless problematic in regards to the elemental composition (e.g. Mg/Si) of the bulk Earth. This study presents measurements of two long-lived isotopic systems in which both the parent and daughter elements are REEs. ^{138}La decays into ^{138}Ce by beta emission ($t_{1/2,\beta} = 295.5$ Gyr: Tanimizu, 2000) and into ^{138}Ba by electron capture, whereas ^{147}Sm decays into ^{143}Nd by alpha emission ($t_{1/2,\alpha} = 106$ Gyr: Begemann et al., 2001). Variations of $^{138}\text{Ce}/^{142}\text{Ce}$ ratios are expected to be small due to the long half-life and low abundance (0.09% of total La) of ^{138}La . The latest generation of thermal ionisation mass spectrometers (TIMS) can achieve long-term analytical errors below 30 ppm on $^{138}\text{Ce}/^{142}\text{Ce}$ (Bonnand et al., 2019), allowing characterisation of Ce isotopic variations in terrestrial and extraterrestrial materials. Here we present analyses of 11 chondrites (ordinary, enstatite, and carbonaceous) that we use to estimate the Ce isotopic composition of the chondritic uniform reservoir (CHUR). We also redefine the Ce-Nd mantle array based on previous and new measurements including seven mid-ocean ridge basalts (MORBs) and 51 ocean island basalts (OIBs). Lastly, we report the first Ce-Nd isotopic compositions of loess samples as a proxy for the upper continental crust (UCC).

Dickin (1987) first used the Ce-Nd isotopic correlation defined by OIBs to estimate the Ce isotopic composition of the BSE. His regression intercepts the CHUR Nd isotopic composition at a BSE Ce isotopic composition that is 60 ppm less radiogenic than the CHUR value defined by Shimizu et al.

(1984). However, new results from chondrites and mantle-derived samples lead to a different observation. The mantle array passes directly through the CHUR composition in the Ce-Nd isotopic diagram (Willig and Stracke, 2019). Our new results first confirm this trend. Moreover we show that a modelled reservoir depleted in incompatible elements (and characterised by a depleted REE pattern; see early-depleted reservoir in Boyet and Carlson, 2005) that would be formed early in the Solar System's history also plots on the mantle array.

The mantle array must reflect the formation of the major silicate reservoirs and their interactions during Earth's history. Important questions have been addressed by coupling Lu-Hf and Sm-Nd isotope systematics; for example, arc lavas do not follow the Hf-Nd mantle array, which reflects the elevated $^{176}\text{Hf}/^{177}\text{Hf}$ signature measured in most oceanic sediments (Carpentier et al., 2009). Also, the presence of pelagic sediments in the source of the Hawaiian hotspot was first identified from Hf-Nd isotopic measurements (Blichert-Toft et al., 1999). Cerium is a redox sensitive element, making the La-Ce and Sm-Nd systematics an ideal combination to investigate sediment recycling through time. Indeed, most documented modern forearc sediments are depleted in Ce relative to neighbouring elements (Plank, 2014). Before the Great Oxygenation Event (GOE), however, all REEs should have behaved similarly and no Ce fractionation is expected to have occurred during that time. Coupling Ce and Nd isotopic measurements will thus provide additional constraints on the nature of sediments recycled into the deep mantle and sampled via hotspot volcanism. Chauvel et al. (2008) explained the Hf-Nd mantle array by the recycling of oceanic crust and sediments into the mantle. Here, we present similar models in Ce-Nd isotope diagrams for the first time.

2. Sample selection

We measured the Ce and Nd isotopic compositions of four ordinary chondrites, six enstatite chondrites, one carbonaceous chondrite, seven MORBs, 51 OIBs, one intraplate continental volcanism occurrence (Ethiopia), and six loess samples. To include all mantle end-members, we selected rocks with extreme

Nd-Sr-Pb-He compositions. OIB samples were selected from 13 locations covering the Atlantic (Iceland, São Miguel (Azores archipelago), Cape Verde, Saint Helena, Tristan Da Cunha), Pacific (Hawaii, MacDonald seamount, Rurutu and Tubuai Islands (Austral archipelago), Fangataufa (Tuamotu archipelago), Tahaa Island (Society archipelago)), and Indian Oceans (Heard, Kerguelen, Reunion and Saint-Paul Island (French Southern and Antarctic Lands)). MORB samples are unaltered glasses collected on the Pacific ridge (Bellot et al., 2015) and the Southwest Indian Ridge. The Pacific MORBs have similar REE patterns and do not show the Dupal anomaly (Sr and Pb isotopic anomalies in MORBs and OIBs erupted around 30° S). We used loesses from western Europe (wind-transported periglacial deposits), China and Tajikistan (sediments originating in northwestern Mongolia and the Karakum (Turkmenistan) and Kyzylkum deserts (Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan), respectively), and the Sahara Desert (dusts blown to Southern France; Chauvel et al., 2014 and references therein; Supplementary data 1, Figs S1-4).

3. Analytical procedures

3.1. Dissolution and chromatography protocols

All samples were entirely processed at the Laboratoire Magmas et Volcans (LMV, Clermont-Ferrand, France), except three chondrites (NWA 8007, NWA 10854, and Adrar Bous) that were dissolved at the University of Western Ontario (UWO). Mantle-derived and loess samples were dissolved using the following protocol. We used 50 to 300 mg of sample depending on the REE concentration and the quantity of powder available. Powders were digested in a 3:1 mixture of HF (65%) and HNO₃ (48%) that was maintained at 75 °C on a hot plate for 48 h. Once dried, the samples were dissolved a second time in 6 M HCl. The dissolution protocol was slightly different for chondrites. Oudiyat Sbaa, Yilmia, Pillistfer, Agen, Sahara 97158, and Saint-Séverin were dissolved in a 10:1 mixture of HF (65%) and HNO₃ (48%) in PFA-Savillex beakers placed on a hot plate at 110 °C for seven days. Fluorides were broken down in a second step using concentrated HClO₄. Allende, Sahara 97072, Adrar Bous, NWA

8007, and NWA 10854 were dissolved in Parr bombs using the same acid mixtures (48 hours at 180 °C in HF-HNO₃, or seven days at 150 °C, followed by HClO₄ treatment). Once dried, all chondrite samples were dissolved in 6 M HCl for two to five days on a hot plate at 110 °C.

All sample solutions were then separated into two aliquots for trace element and isotopic dilution (5–10%) and Ce-Nd isotopic analyses (90–95%). Ce and Nd were chemically separated following the procedure reported in detail by [Bonnand et al., 2019](#); modified from [Tazoe et al., 2007](#) and [Bellot et al., 2015](#) and summarised here. REEs (including Ba) were first separated from the matrix using AG50W-X8 resin. An additional step using AG1-X8 resin (200–400 mesh) was performed on the meteorites to remove Fe. Then, Ce was separated from the trivalent REEs using an oxidation technique (NaBrO₃) on Ln-Spec resin, and purified in a final step using AG50W-X8 resin to remove any residual Ba. The remaining REE fraction was processed using Ln-Spec resin (25–50 mesh) and Nd was collected in 0.25 M HCl. Total procedural blanks for Ce and Nd were 0.4 ± 1.7 ng (2sd, $n = 12$) and 0.02 ± 0.05 ng (2sd, $n = 7$), respectively, and were always negligible relative to the quantities collected from the samples.

3.2. Trace element concentrations and Ce and Nd isotopic measurements

We determined trace element abundances for all samples except NWA 8007, NWA 10854, and Adrar Bous by inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometry (ICP-MS) using the Agilent 7500 quadrupole instrument in normal mode (no collision cell) at LMV. These 3 meteorites were analysed using a Thermo iCAP quadrupole ICP-MS in collision cell mode with He flux at UWO. Concentrations were calculated using an external calibration (CMS reference material standard, Inorganic Ventures). We analysed certified rock standard BHVO-2 (or BCR-2 at UWO) together with our samples to assess the accuracy of our analytical protocol.

We performed Ce isotopic analyses in static mode with double Re filaments on a ThermoScientific™ Triton Plus TIMS at LMV. Ce isotopes were measured as CeO⁺ oxides using the procedure described in [Bonnand et al. \(2019\)](#). A typical run comprised 27 blocks with 20 cycles of 8 s integration time each,

and a baseline measurement (deflected ion beams) of 60 s. Matrix rotation of the amplifiers was not active because the 10^{11} , 10^{12} , and 10^{13} Ω resistors were used simultaneously. All corrections (oxygen, mass discrimination using $^{136}\text{Ce}/^{142}\text{Ce} = 0.01688$, and tailing effect) were performed offline. All reported uncertainties are 2 standard deviations. During the course of the study, the value of the tailing correction was $\Delta\epsilon\text{Ce} = 0.77 \pm 0.18$ ($n = 151$). Repeated measurements of our Ce_{LMV} synthetic reference material gave $^{138}\text{Ce}/^{142}\text{Ce} = 0.02257063 \pm 54$ (24 ppm; $n = 31$). $^{138}\text{Ce}/^{142}\text{Ce}$ ratios measured for rock reference standards BCR-2 and BHVO-2 were equal to 0.02256684 ± 48 (21 ppm; $n = 9$) and 0.02256453 ± 99 (44 ppm; $n = 7$), respectively (see [Supplementary data 2](#) for details on the total reproducibility of measurements). The mean $^{134}\text{Ba}^{16}\text{O}$ signal was 0.000003 ± 0.000010 V ($n = 139$), and the maximum reached 1×10^{-5} V, which has no significant effect on the $^{138}\text{Ce}/^{142}\text{Ce}$ and $^{136}\text{Ce}/^{142}\text{Ce}$ ratios. Ce isotopic compositions of loess samples were measured on the same TIMS but using the two-line acquisition method of 360 cycles ([Bellot et al., 2015](#)).

We performed Nd isotopic analyses in static mode with double Re filaments using a ThermoScientific™ Triton TIMS at LMV. A typical run comprised 18 blocks of 10 cycles, allowing a full rotation of the amplifier system. Mass discrimination was corrected using $^{146}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd} = 0.7219$. Repeated measurements of the JNdi-1 standard and the two rock reference standards BCR-2 and BHVO-2 gave $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd} = 0.512099 \pm 4$ (7 ppm; $n = 16$), 0.512623 ± 8 (17 ppm; $n = 3$) and 0.512973 ± 3 (6 ppm; $n = 3$), respectively. The Sm contribution measured at mass 147 was negligible in all analyses.

4. Results

Measured Ce and Nd isotopic compositions are reported in [Table 1 and 2](#), and details for individual runs (number of cycles, mean intensity, tailing value) are given in [Supplementary data 2](#).

4.1. Chondrites

Chondrites define a small range of $^{138}\text{Ce}/^{142}\text{Ce}$ ratios between 0.02256522 and 0.02256633, excluding the two EL6 samples (Yilmia and Pillistfer) that show lower values (0.02256251 and 0.02256272, respectively). Enstatite, ordinary, and carbonaceous chondrites have indistinguishable average values within errors (Fig. 1A). The two EL6 samples plot on the 4.568 Ga isochron in the $^{138}\text{Ce}/^{142}\text{Ce}$ vs. La/Ce diagram (Fig. 1B) suggesting that their La/Ce ratios were modified early in the history of the Solar System, in agreement with previous conclusions (Barrat et al., 2014; Boyet et al., 2018). Consequently, we define the Ce isotopic composition of CHUR as the mean value of the other nine (i.e., unmodified) chondrite samples: $^{138}\text{Ce}/^{142}\text{Ce}_{\text{CHUR}} = 0.02256577 \pm 66$ (29 ppm).

To compare our CHUR value with the most recent estimates of Bellot et al. (2015) and Willig and Stracke (2019), we have normalised these previous data using a common reference material ($^{138}\text{Ce}/^{142}\text{Ce}_{\text{CeLMV}}/^{138}\text{Ce}/^{142}\text{Ce}_{\text{CeAMES}} = 0.02257053/0.02257426$, Bonnand et al., 2019). The normalised CHUR value of Willig and Stracke (2019) is thus $^{138}\text{Ce}/^{142}\text{Ce} = 0.02256644 \pm 53$ (using $^{136}\text{Ce}/^{142}\text{Ce} = 0.01688$), consistent with our estimate within errors. In contrast, the normalised CHUR value of Bellot et al. (2015) is significantly distinct from our value (Fig. 1A). Combining the normalised data of Willig and Stracke (2019) with our measurements to calculate a mean chondritic $^{138}\text{Ce}/^{142}\text{Ce}$ ratio increases the uncertainty from 29 to 39 ppm because their chondrite measurements were systematically 30 ppm more radiogenic than ours. This deviation exists also for MORB and OIB data and it is highlighted when data are reported in a $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ vs. $^{138}\text{Ce}/^{142}\text{Ce}$ isotope diagram. Thus, to compare these different datasets, we henceforth strictly use the epsilon notation (Fig. 1B). In the future, to achieve better interlaboratory reliability, chondrites should be measured under similar analytical conditions (see Supplementary Fig. S5).

4.2. Ce-Nd isotopic compositions of terrestrial samples

The Ce and Nd isotopic compositions of terrestrial samples measured in this study are reported in a ϵNd vs. ϵCe diagram (Fig. 2) and compared with recent MORB and OIB data from the literature. MORB samples have the least radiogenic Ce ratios and the most radiogenic Nd ratios, with ϵCe and ϵNd values ranging from -1.19 to -0.71 and from 8.85 to 10.42 , respectively. Pacific MORBs have slightly lower Ce isotopic ratios than Indian ones. OIB samples define larger compositional ranges with ϵCe and ϵNd values ranging from -1.44 to 0.43 and from -2.49 to 10.42 , respectively. Enriched mantle (EM1 and EM2)-like OIBs (Heard, Gough, Kerguelen, Tristan Da Cunha, São Miguel, and Tahaa) have the highest Ce isotopic ratios. Samples from Iceland and two samples from Hawaii plot in the MORB field. Other OIBs, including those with HIMU affinity (Saint-Helena), have compositions intermediate between Iceland samples and those with EM affinities, forming a continuum between these two end-members. The seven samples from Ethiopia have subchondritic ϵCe values and plot along the OIB trend. The entire range of MORB ϵCe values is relatively large (1 unit) compared to OIBs (1.5 units) considering the dispersion of ϵNd values (3 units for MORBs and 12 units for OIBs).

Loess samples have ϵCe and ϵNd values ranging from 1.6 to 2.0 and from -13.52 to -9.73 , respectively, with average values of $\epsilon\text{Ce} = 1.8 \pm 0.3$ and $\epsilon\text{Nd} = -11.2 \pm 3.0$. Our samples represent a sub-sampling of those analysed by Chauvel et al. (2014), who determined a mean ϵNd value of -10.3 ± 2.3 , consistent with our results.

5. Discussion

5.1. Definition of the Ce-Nd mantle array

Dickin (1987) was the first to present coupled Ce and Nd isotopic measurements of OIB samples and define the Ce-Nd mantle array. Recently, Willig and Stracke (2019) published new high-precision measurements of MORBs and OIBs and refined the ϵCe - ϵNd correlation. We extended their results by analysing 66 new mantle-derived samples. The regression line calculated from all samples presented in Figure 2 ($n = 134$) gives the following equation for the mantle array: $\epsilon\text{Nd} = -7.3 (\pm 0.5) \times \epsilon\text{Ce} + 0.4 (\pm$

0.3), using Isoplot[®] and considering errors of 0.25 for ϵCe and 0.10 for ϵNd . In agreement with Willig and Stracke (2019), the mantle array intercepts the chondritic composition. However, we will show in the following section that a chondritic intercept for the mantle array does not prove that these mantle-derived samples come from a source with a chondritic light REE (LREE) pattern.

5.2. Chondritic vs. non-chondritic REE composition of the primitive mantle

A non-chondritic REE composition of the primitive mantle was initially proposed to explain the radiogenic ϵNd values measured in Eoarchean samples (e.g., Chase and Patchett, 1988). High-precision isotopic measurements of the short-lived ^{146}Sm - ^{142}Nd systematics in both terrestrial samples and chondrites have strongly revived the debate on the nature of the REE composition of the PM (Boyet and Carlson, 2005). Most $^{142}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ variations measured in the different chondrite groups are now attributed to initial isotopic heterogeneities of nucleosynthetic origin within the solar nebula during planetary accretion (Bouvier and Boyet, 2016; Burkhardt et al., 2016; Carlson et al., 2007). However, in terms of non-radiogenic Nd isotope compositions, enstatite chondrites are the closest to the Earth and, on average, are depleted in ^{142}Nd by 10 ppm relative to terrestrial samples (Boyet et al., 2018; Dauphas, 2017) with the exception of the EL3 sub-group. Carbonaceous chondrites may have been involved during the last stage of Earth's accretion, and, because they are depleted in ^{142}Nd by 32 ppm relative to terrestrial samples, they may have further contributed to the difference between terrestrial and EC values (Boyet et al., 2018). None of the current meteorite groups available for analysis and mixing models satisfy the isotopic and elemental composition of the Earth, and call for unknown end-members or fractionation processes. Thus, it is still possible that some of the observed difference between terrestrial and chondritic ^{142}Nd abundances was produced by the decay of ^{146}Sm in a superchondritic Sm/Nd reservoir.

To attempt to constrain the REE composition of the PM, we consider a 10 ppm increase in radiogenic ^{142}Nd that corresponds to the difference between modern terrestrial samples and either EC values having

a terrestrial mean $^{142}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ 10 ppm higher than that of the continental crust, or an Earth made with 90% of EL3 chondrites + 10% carbonaceous chondrites (Boyet et al., 2018). This excess ^{142}Nd would have been produced in a high-Sm/Nd reservoir. Assuming this reservoir formed 4.568 Ga, this corresponds to a 3.6% increase of the BSE Sm/Nd ratio relative to the chondritic value. Modelled Sm/Nd ratios in early-differentiated reservoirs have been discussed in a large number of publications (e.g. Boyet and Carlson, 2005; Caro et al., 2008) and can go up to 5% higher if this early-differentiated reservoir formed 4.5 Ga. Here we use the terms “early depleted reservoir” (EDR) and “early enriched reservoir” (EER) as defined by Boyet and Carlson (2005): the EDR has a chondrite-normalised REE pattern that is depleted in LREEs relative to heavy REEs and thus a superchondritic Sm/Nd ratio, whereas the complementary EER has a subchondritic Sm/Nd ratio. The EER may exist in the lower mantle (Boyet and Carlson, 2005) or may correspond to embryonic crust lost by collisional erosion during Earth’s accretion (O’Neill and Palme, 2008).

We calculate the REE composition of the EDR by the method developed by Jackson and Jellinek (2013), which is based on three different isotopic systematics (^{146}Sm - ^{142}Nd , ^{147}Sm - ^{143}Nd , and ^{176}Lu - ^{176}Hf) and invariant elemental ratios (e.g., Sm/Hf). CHUR REE elemental ratios needed for this calculation were obtained from a large and recent database of ordinary, enstatite, and carbonaceous chondrites (Barrat et al., 2012, 2014; Boyet et al., 2018; Braukmüller et al., 2018; Dauphas and Pourmand, 2015; Pourmand et al., 2012). We selected the least thermally metamorphosed fall samples (types 1–4, $n = 42$), and outliers (Orgueil and Kelly) were removed. The mean La/Ce ratio thus calculated for CHUR is 0.387 ± 0.022 ($n = 39$), similar to the value we obtained from our smaller sample set ($\text{La/Ce}_{\text{CHUR}} = 0.390 \pm 0.022$). The CHUR Sm/Nd ratio determined from the same database of chondrite samples is 0.324 ± 0.014 , consistent with the value proposed by Bouvier et al. (2008). Lastly, we used the Lu/Hf ratio of CHUR (0.236) calculated from the average $^{176}\text{Lu}/^{177}\text{Hf}$ value determined by Bouvier et al. (2008).

The calculated REE pattern for an EDR is presented in Figure 3. For a 3.6% increase of the Sm/Nd ratio of the BSE, the modelled EDR has $\varepsilon\text{Ce} = -0.4$ and $\varepsilon\text{Nd} = 4.1$. This reservoir plots very close to the mantle array in the εNd vs. εCe diagram, and shows Ce-Nd isotopic compositions similar to those

measured in several OIBs (Fig. 4). A large-scale silicate differentiation event early in the Solar System's evolution does not produce any offset in the Ce-Nd isotopic composition of the EDR relative to the mantle array. Thus, defining the Ce-Nd mantle array does not resolve the long-standing debate over the chondritic vs. EDR-like REE composition of the PM.

5.3. Crustal extraction mass-balance calculations

Mantle melting and subsequent extraction of the crust has contributed to the depletion of the mantle in incompatible elements. Crustal growth models are widely discussed and several authors have proposed rapid continental growth early in Earth's history despite the scarce geological record of the Earth's first billion years (Belousova et al., 2010; Dhuime et al., 2012). Geochemical signatures in mantle-derived samples linked to this process are particularly difficult to decipher because surface material is continuously reintegrated into the mantle via subduction. In this section, to investigate the production of the various mantle reservoirs, we attempt to recreate the Ce-Nd mantle array via mass-balance mixing calculations between the depleted MORB mantle (DMM) and continental crust (CC). We first simplify our approach by assuming that the CC was extracted from the PM in a single differentiation step (i.e., $DMM + CC = BSE$). Since we have not resolved the chondritic vs. EDR-like composition of the PM, we explore both bulk compositions and compare their modelled Ce-Nd mixing curves to the mantle array. Distinct scenarios proposed that oceanic crust formation was the dominant process of mantle depletion with continents formed later by reworking in subduction zones (e.g., Jones et al., 2019). Furthermore, isotopic studies of rocks from the Nuvvuagittuq Supracrustal Belt and the neighbouring Hudson Bay terrane show that the Archean felsic crust formed by reworking of Hadean mafic crust (O'Neil et al., 2019; O'Neil and Carlson, 2017). From these observations, we choose to calculate the Ce-Nd isotopic composition of such an enriched reservoir and compare it to the global dataset to evaluate the effect of primitive mafic crustal extraction on the mantle.

5.3.1. End-members

Depleted MORB Mantle

The DMM end-member isotopic composition is commonly calculated from MORB samples. Our measurements and literature data are plotted in the ϵNd vs. ϵCe diagram (Fig. 2). The average of 48 MORB measurements gives $\epsilon\text{Ce}_{\text{DMM}} = -1.1 \pm 0.6$ and $\epsilon\text{Nd}_{\text{DMM}} = 9.7 \pm 2.3$. This mean Nd isotopic composition is consistent with previously proposed values of 9.2 and 9.8 based on a more complete dataset (Salters and Stracke, 2004, and Workman and Hart, 2005, respectively). Restricting the MORB samples to those that do not show the Dupal anomaly (i.e., North Atlantic and Pacific MORBs) gives an identical result ($\epsilon\text{Ce} = -1.2 \pm 0.6$, $n = 33$).

Continental Crust

The CC is a low-mass reservoir containing 20–70% of the PM's incompatible element budget. The difficulty in constraining the CC composition stems from its nature. With a mean age of 1.8–2.4 Ga (Chauvel et al., 2014; Taylor and McLennan, 1995) and an average thickness of about 40 km, it is much older and thicker than the present-day oceanic crust. The major- and trace-element compositions of the upper, middle, and lower crust are based on numerous rock samples from which global compositions were obtained (Rudnick and Gao, 2003, and references therein), though the isotopic composition of the bulk CC is largely under-constrained; very few data are available for Ce, and ϵNd values generally vary between -21 and -10 . Based on loess measurements, Chauvel et al. (2014) proposed a model age of 1.8 Ga for the UCC and a ϵNd value of -10 . On the other hand, Goldstein and Jacobsen (1988) considered suspended materials in rivers ($\epsilon\text{Nd} = -11$, $T_{\text{DM}} = 1.6$ Ga) but corrected their mean value for the preferential erosion of young terranes ($\epsilon\text{Nd} = -17$ recalculated at 2.1 Ga). Similarly, Hawkesworth et al. (2017) discussed the erosional bias based on the proportions of young and old source rocks and proposed a bulk CC ϵNd value of -12 . Other studies consider that the upper and bulk crusts have distinct isotope signature; Allègre and Lewin (1989) calculated a ϵNd value of -21 from DMM-bulk CC mass-balance equations, whereas Jacobsen and Wasserburg (1980) obtained a slightly higher value with a similar approach ($\epsilon\text{Nd} = -14$).

To date, CC rocks analysed for Ce and Nd isotopes are mainly ~ 2 Ga granites and gneisses (see Supplementary Fig. S6 for details). Combining all published Ce-Nd measurements gives average values

of $\epsilon_{\text{Ce}} = 2.8$ and $\epsilon_{\text{Nd}} = -19$ (Fig. 4). This is slightly different from the sole published estimate for the CC ($\epsilon_{\text{Ce}} = 1.3$ and $\epsilon_{\text{Nd}} = -14$; Tanaka et al., 1987), which was calculated by regression from five crustal rock measurements ($\epsilon_{\text{Ce}} = -0.112 \times \epsilon_{\text{Nd}}$) anchored to the mean ϵ_{Nd} value of aeolian sediments and particulates in rivers ($\epsilon_{\text{Nd}} = -11.4$; Goldstein et al., 1984). Our loess average is $\epsilon_{\text{Ce}} = 1.8$ and $\epsilon_{\text{Nd}} = -11.2$, relatively close to Tanaka et al.'s (1987) value.

Mafic crust

Results obtained on the ^{146}Sm - ^{142}Nd short-lived systematics suggest that the oldest mafic crust preserved at the Earth's surface is the ~ 4.3 Ga Nuvvuagittuq Supracrustal Belt in northern Quebec (O'Neil et al., 2008). Even if this age is debated, the neighbouring Hudson Bay terrane shows that the Archean felsic crust formed by reworking of an Hadean mafic crust (O'Neil et al., 2019; O'Neil and Carlson, 2017). We chose sample PC-162 ($\text{La/Ce} = 0.49$ and $\text{Sm/Nd} = 0.27$) as representative of the Archean mafic crust to model its Ce and Nd isotopic compositions. This and other samples from the enriched low-Ti group (O'Neil et al., 2011) are enriched in LREEs by 10 to 80 times the chondritic reference, whereas rocks from the depleted low-Ti and high-Ti units show lower LREE enrichments (< 20 times). Furthermore, PC-162 is one of the most REE-depleted samples among those of the enriched low-Ti group that do not show any evidence of metamorphic disturbance (O'Neil et al., 2012), and thus its REE contents correspond to a reasonable crustal extraction rate: that is, more enriched compositions reflect increased depletion of the mantle during extraction of the crust. The Ce-Nd isotopic compositions of the modelled mafic end-member are reported in Figure 4; they are identical ($\epsilon_{\text{Ce}} = 3.8$ and $\epsilon_{\text{Nd}} = -17.3$) for a crust formed at 4.3 Ga, irrespective of the PM considered (CHUR or EDR). The EER calculated by Carlson and Boyet (2008) has similar La/Ce and Sm/Nd ratios of 0.47 and 0.28, respectively, producing present-day isotopic compositions of $\epsilon_{\text{Ce}} = 3$ and $\epsilon_{\text{Nd}} = -13.5$ if this reservoir formed 4.3 Ga. Both these models plot to the right of the mantle array (Fig. 4).

5.3.2. Model parameters and mixing hyperbolas

Our mass-balance models consider DMM-CC complementarity for chondritic and early-depleted PM compositions. We aim to determine the ϵ_{Ce} value of the CC using four-successive calculation steps (Supplementary material). 1) We calculate the mass fraction of Nd in the CC relative to the total amount in the crust and DMM (the sialic index; e.g., Allègre and Lewin, 1989) based on the DMM, CHUR/EDR (Table 3), and CC ϵ_{Nd} values. As the range of published CC isotopic values is large, we do not set a precise ϵ_{Nd} value in the mass-balance model, but consider all possibilities between $\epsilon_{\text{Nd}} = -10$ and -21 . 2) We calculate the mass fraction of CC using the Nd contents of the BSE (as determined in section 5.2 with REE patterns anchored to a Lu content of 68 ppb; McDonough and Sun, 1995) and CC (Rudnick and Gao, 2003). The Ce/Nd ratio is set to 1.28 for a chondritic BSE and to 1.22 for the EDR model (Table 3). Importantly, the Lu value chosen to anchor the REE pattern of the BSE has no consequence on the final ϵ_{Ce} value. 3) The Ce sialic index is calculated using the Ce contents of the BSE (see step 2) and CC (Rudnick and Gao, 2003). 4) The ϵ_{Ce} value of the CC is calculated from the Ce sialic index and the ϵ_{Ce} values of the DMM and CHUR/EDR (Table 3): ϵ_{CeCC} varies from 0.2 to 1 in the chondritic case and from 0.4 to 1.2 in the EDR case. All CCs are represented as orange or green lines at the lower end of the mixing curves in Figure 4 (chondritic or EDR model, respectively) and all calculated DMM-CC mixing hyperbolas are plotted in the form of a coloured field. Their curvature is a function of the Ce/Nd ratios of both end-members.

In the upper left of the ϵ_{Nd} vs. ϵ_{Ce} diagram, the DMM-CC mixing hyperbolas overlap and pass through both the CHUR and EDR compositions. However, they do not fully overlap the data points defining the mantle array. The Ce-Nd isotopic compositions calculated for the CC are always less radiogenic in cerium than the mean values estimated from measurements, which might question the relevance of the published data used to estimate the isotopic composition of the bulk CC. Most of the samples are upper crust (e.g., loess) samples. If the observed difference reflects heterogeneities within the crustal reservoir, the lower and middle crust should be characterised by negative ϵ_{Ce} values to adjust the mass balance budget within the continental crust (Willig and Stracke, 2019). However, Vervoort et al. (2000) suggested that lower crustal xenoliths have $\epsilon_{\text{Hf}}\text{-}\epsilon_{\text{Nd}}$ values close to the mantle array.

The mass fraction of depleted mantle relative to the whole mantle can be calculated in the case of the mass balance calculations for the entire range of $\epsilon\text{Nd}_{\text{CC}}$ considered. It varies from 14 to 33% and from 28 to 64% ($\pm 20\%$) for the CHUR and EDR bulk compositions, respectively (Fig. 5). As mentioned in section 5.3.1, a more depleted initial composition implies that a larger volume of the mantle was depleted by crustal extraction (Boyet and Carlson, 2006). For comparison, Allègre and Lewin (1989) calculated the mass fraction of depleted mantle to be comprised between 32 and 40% using a chondritic BSE.

The mixing curve joining the DMM and a 4.3 Ga early mafic crust is also reported in Figure 4. The Ce/Nd ratio of this mafic crust is 1.9, only slightly different from the mean value of 2.15 determined for the CC by Rudnick and Gao (2003). Thus, the DMM-mafic crust mixing hyperbola has a curvature close to that of the DMM-CC mixing curve. Again, such a mixing scenario seems unlikely to reproduce the mantle array.

5.3.3. What parameters can bring the DMM-CC mixing model closer to the mantle array?

To superimpose the DMM-CC mixing curve on the mantle array, Willig and Stracke (2019) proposed using a more depleted isotopic composition for the DMM end-member (see their Figure 5). However, for a likely CC Nd isotopic composition, such a DMM-CC hyperbola requires DMM Ce-Nd isotopic ratios very different from those measured in MORB samples. For example, to fully reproduce the mantle array, the ϵCe and ϵNd values of the DMM should be approximately -10 and $+40$, respectively, if we set the ϵNd value of the bulk CC to -17 (in the case of a chondritic BSE). Such compositions have never been measured in MORBs or peridotites.

Several authors have proposed loess samples to be a good approximation of the upper crust because these clastic rocks sample large surface areas and have relatively uniform Nd and Hf isotopic compositions (e.g., Chauvel et al., 2014). Because the lower crust appears to have Hf-Nd isotopic ratios similar to those of the upper crust (Vervoort et al., 2000), we also calculated the ϵCe - ϵNd mixing hyperbola between the DMM end-member and a loess-like component. Its curvature is a function of the

Ce/Nd ratios of both end-members. The mean Ce/Nd value calculated from our loess samples (2.38 ± 0.30) is similar within errors to the value of 2.33 determined for the upper crust by Rudnick and Gao (2003) and to that of the global subducting sediment reservoir that represents the bulk composition of trench sediments (Plank, 2014). However, this result is more than twice the Ce/Nd ratios of 1.08 and 0.95 determined for the DMM by Salters and Stracke (2004) and Workman and Hart (2005), respectively. Consequently, considering the Ce-Nd isotopic composition of loess as representative of the CC moves the DMM-CC mixing curve further from the mantle array (Fig. 4).

The model age of loesses is 1.8 Ga (Chauvel et al., 2014), which is not widely agreed to be the mean age of the crust. An older equivalent (2.2 Ga) of these samples would have a less radiogenic Ce-Nd isotopic composition that still plots on the mantle array. Superimposing the DMM-loess mixing curve on the mantle array (i.e., to linearise the DMM-loess hyperbola) requires increasing the DMM Ce/Nd ratio towards a value identical to that of loesses. Unlike the CC reservoir, which has been calculated from a large number of measurements, the DMM remains a model based on a series of assumptions, such that its REE pattern can be questioned. Such a reservoir is represented in MORB Ce and Nd isotopic compositions as a strong long-term depleted REE element pattern, and a consistent $\text{Ce}/\text{Nd}_{\text{DMM}}$ ratio requires the DMM to have a positive Ce elemental anomaly. Cerium anomaly generally reflects a specific behaviour of Ce^{4+} relative to REE^{3+} . However, such a Ce anomaly has never been measured in MORBs.

The DMM-loess mixing curve coincides with the repartition of Island Arc Basalts (IABs) from the Lesser Antilles and the Mariana Islands (Bellot et al., 2015, 2018). The isotopic compositions of OIBs and IABs differ from those of MORBs due to the introduction of crustal material into their sources. Although the isotopic compositions of arc lavas can be modified by post-melting reactions such as assimilation-fractional crystallisation processes (AFC), this is not the case for the Marianas and Lesser Antilles (e.g., Labanieh et al., 2010), and their Ce-Nd isotopic compositions are well explained by the incorporation of sediments into the mantle wedge (Bellot et al., 2015, 2018). We expect a larger incorporation of sediments in arc lavas relative to hotspot lavas since REEs are enriched in slab

dehydration fluids, whereas sediments are recycled with oceanic crust into the OIB source and their signatures are consequently diluted. Indeed, OIBs and IABs are clearly distinct in the ϵCe - ϵNd diagram (Fig. 4).

5.4. Effect of recycled surface material on the mantle array

The EM1, EM2, and HIMU mantle end-members have been defined from the most extreme isotopic compositions measured in OIBs (Zindler and Hart, 1986) and are classically interpreted as representing the recycling of surface materials into the deep mantle. Chauvel et al. (2008) modelled the Hf and Nd isotopic compositions of basaltic crust and sediments recycled at different times during Earth's history and showed that the Hf-Nd mantle array required the incorporation of surface material older than 2 Ga into the OIB source. Here we apply the evolution model to the Ce-Nd systematics (see Supplementary Fig. S7): 1) the isotopic composition of recycled sediments and recycled oceanic crust (ROC) calculated back in time is assumed to be on the evolution line built between their present-day isotopic composition and the CHUR value at 4.568 Ga; 2) the actual isotopic compositions of these two reservoirs are then calculated considering the parent/daughter ratios in their source reservoirs. To this end, we consider the mean $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$, $^{138}\text{Ce}/^{142}\text{Ce}$, $^{147}\text{Sm}/^{144}\text{Nd}$, and $^{138}\text{La}/^{142}\text{Ce}$ ratios measured in oceanic sediments in front of the Mariana trench (Sites 801 and 802, ODP Leg 129; Bellot et al., 2018) and near the Lesser Antilles arc (DSDP site 144; Bellot et al., 2015) together with those of the MORB samples plotted in Figure 2. Modern oceanic sediments are characterised by negative elemental cerium anomalies, reflecting an oxidised environment. Before the GOE, dated around 2.4 Ga (see Holland, 2002), all REEs in sediments were necessarily trivalent under the anoxic conditions. Thus, we removed the elemental cerium anomaly from all oceanic sediments older than 2.4 Ga.

Our calculations produce important results. First, the ROC follows a positive slope in the ϵCe - ϵNd diagram, whereas the mantle array defines a negative slope (Fig. 6, see Supplementary Fig. S7 for further details). Thus, the incorporation of ROC into the mantle tends to shift the isotopic composition of OIBs

toward slightly less radiogenic Ce isotopic ratios than MORBs. Second, as previously shown by [Chauvel et al. \(2008\)](#), the mantle array can be reproduced by mixing either a DMM-like or a FOZO-like component (FOZO is assumed to have $\epsilon_{\text{Ce}} = -0.6$ and $\epsilon_{\text{Nd}} = 6.24$; see [Boyet et al., 2019](#)) and recycled surface material (ROC and sediments have the same recycling ages). On the sole basis of Ce and Nd isotopes, it is still unclear whether the different plume sources contain surface material recycled at various time or pre-GOE material in various proportions (the two propositions being not mutually exclusive). Also, the intersections of the recycled crust-sediment mixing curves and the mantle array indicate the proportion of sediments in the recycled material ($m_{\text{sediments}} / (m_{\text{sediments}} + m_{\text{oceanic crust}})$) to be between 6 and 12%; this proportion decreases for younger recycled components. This last result must be considered in parallel with the decreasing rate of crustal destruction until the present value of 3.2–5.5 km³ yr⁻¹ ([Dhuime et al., 2018, and references therein](#)).

Sediments formed before and after the GOE evolved to distinct Ce isotopic compositions. For a similar proportion of sediments in the recycled component (i.e., 10% sediment and 90% oceanic crust), the ϵ_{Ce} value of a 2.5 Ga recycled component is inferior by 0.3 ϵ -units when we remove the Ce anomaly. More importantly, in our model, only the recycling of pre-GOE sediments can explain the most enriched isotopic compositions measured in OIBs. Corresponding samples are classified either as EM1 (samples from Tristan Da Cunha, Gough, Heard, and Kerguelen Islands) or EM2 (Tahaa Island in the Society archipelago). The Ce-Nd isotopic composition of Gough Island lavas was explained by the incorporation of subcontinental lithospheric material at shallow depths into the mantle ([Boyet et al., 2019](#)). The lack of correlation between the cerium anomalies and the Ce isotope compositions measured in Gough Island lavas proves that ancient sediments carrier of negative element cerium anomaly were not incorporated in the Gough mantle source. Moreover, mass-independent S isotopic fractionations measured in olivine-hosted sulphides from other EM1 (e.g., Pitcairn) lavas similarly suggest the recycling of surface materials that existed in a reduced atmosphere before the GOE ([Cabral et al., 2013; Delavault et al., 2016](#)).

6. Conclusions

We measured the Ce isotopic compositions of 51 OIBs, 1 intraplate continental volcanism occurrence, 7 MORBs, 6 loess samples, and 11 chondrites, enhancing the terrestrial and extra-terrestrial Ce isotopic database. We define the $^{138}\text{Ce}/^{142}\text{Ce}$ CHUR reference to be 0.02256577 ± 66 . OIB and MORB samples define the mantle array as $\epsilon\text{Nd} = -7.3 (\pm 0.5) \times \epsilon\text{Ce} + 0.4 (\pm 0.3)$. The mantle array passes through the CHUR value and is not significantly different from a modelled early-depleted reservoir. We conclude that combining Ce and Nd isotopic measurements in mantle-derived samples does not further constrain the composition of the PM.

Mixing models between the DMM and CC end members, both estimated from sample measurements (upper, or early mafic crusts), cannot reproduce the Ce-Nd mantle array but better fit IAB data. The mantle array is better reproduced by considering bulk CCs consistent with a mass-balance budget of the BSE (Ce isotopic compositions calculated for a range of accepted Nd). But the mixing hyperbolas do not perfectly overlap the OIB samples with subchondritic Ce isotopic composition; and the calculated ϵCe for the bulk crust are significantly different from all crustal rocks measured so far. In all these models, linearising the mixing curves requires unrealistic Ce-Nd isotopic compositions and/or Ce/Nd ratios never measured in rock samples. Alternatively, the recycling of sediments and oceanic crust into hotspot sources, and their mixing with DMM- or FOZO-like material may explain the Ce-Nd mantle array. Our results further show that Ce-Nd isotopic compositions measured in the most enriched EM-like lavas can be reproduced by the incorporation in their source of recycled oceanic sediments that do not have any elemental Ce anomaly. Because Ce is a redox-sensitive trace element that can be used to trace the oxygenation of atmosphere (GOE at 2.4 Ga), our results suggest that some OIBs sample very deep mantle reservoirs that may preserve pre-GOE recycled surface materials, in agreement with observed S isotopic fractions in EM1 lavas. Constraining the long-term history of recycled surface material in the mantle is essential to understand the isotope signature of mantle-derived samples. The La-Ce isotope systematics offers a unique opportunity to detect changes on the chemical composition of oceanic sediments through time.

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Appendix A. Supplementary material

Supplementary material related to this article can be found online at XX.

Supplementary data 1: Major and trace element contents measured by quadrupole ICP-MS.

Supplementary data 2: Ce and Nd isotopic ratios of standard and rock samples and supplementary information.

Supplementary material: 1) Sample descriptions from trace element diagrams and Ce anomalies; 2) $^{138}\text{Ce}/^{142}\text{Ce}$ ratios from literature and example of normalisation with MORB; 3) $^{138}\text{Ce}/^{142}\text{Ce}$ ratios of crustal samples from literature; 4) mass-balance calculations; and 5) recycling models.

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Table 3. Elemental and isotopic compositions of Earth's main silicate reservoirs used in our calculations: BSE, bulk silicate Earth; EDR, early depleted reservoir; DMM, depleted MORB mantle; CC, continental crust; UCC, upper continental crust; and mafic crust. Errors are errors on data averages. No errors are given for model-based isotopic compositions (EDR, aged UCC, and mafic crust). Values in italics refer to literature data: CC Ce and Nd concentrations are from [Rudnick and Gao \(2003\)](#), concentrations for the mafic crust are those measured in PC-162 from [O'Neil et al., \(2011\)](#), and BSE $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ ratios are from [Bouvier et al. \(2008\)](#). BSE range of Ce and Nd concentrations are modelled using Lu contents from [Allègre et al. \(2001\)](#), [Lyubetskaya and Korenaga \(2007\)](#), [McDonough and Sun \(1995\)](#), [Palme and O'Neill \(2014\)](#) and chondritic REE ratios (see [supplementary material S4](#) for more details). Ce/Nd of the BSE is constant and set to 1.28 (1.22 for EDR). DMM isotopic composition is the mean value of data from this study, [Bellot et al., 2015, 2018](#), [Makishima and Masuda, 1994](#) and [Willig and Stracke, 2019](#). UCC (1.8 Ga) Ce and Nd contents and isotopic compositions are the mean values of loess data from this study. UCC (2.2 Ga) isotopic compositions are calculated by aging 1.8 Ga UCC.

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Fig. 1. A) $^{138}\text{Ce}/^{142}\text{Ce}$ ratios measured in enstatite (green squares), ordinary (red diamonds), and carbonaceous (black triangles) chondrites. Literature values are from [Bellot et al. \(2015, 'B et al. 15'\)](#) and [Willig and Stracke \(2019, 'W&S19'\)](#). Data from the literature are normalised to the Ce_{LMV} reference material from this study: $^{138}\text{Ce}/^{142}\text{Ce}_{\text{CeLMV}}/^{138}\text{Ce}/^{142}\text{Ce}_{\text{CeAMES}} = 0.02257053/0.02257426$ ([Bonnand et al., 2019](#)). B) ϵCe ratios vs. La/Ce ratios of chondrites from [Willig and Stracke \(2019\)](#) and this study. Data

are normalised to the CHUR reference defined in these studies. The dashed line represents the 4.568 Ga CHUR reference isochron.

Fig. 2. ϵNd vs. ϵCe of mantle-derived samples and loesses from this study (coloured symbols). Nd isotopic compositions of loess and Kerguelen samples are from Chauvel et al. (2014) and B. Moine (unpublished data), and Ce and Nd isotopic compositions of Gough samples are from Boyet et al. (2019). Literature data are in grey (Bellot et al., 2015, 2018; Makishima and Masuda, 1994; Willig and Stracke, 2019). Error bars are 2se (internal error). Literature data are reported considering the epsilon values and CHUR references measured in each study to limit any bias introduced by normalisation. The data from Tanaka et al. (1987) are not included because we do not have the corresponding CHUR reference. The mantle array is defined by regression on mantle-derived samples only. Its equation defined from 134 data is $\epsilon\text{Nd} = -7.3 (\pm 0.5) \times \epsilon\text{Ce} + 0.4 (\pm 0.3)$ (calculated with Isoplot[®] and considering errors of 0.25 and 0.10 for ϵCe and ϵNd , respectively).

Fig. 3. REE patterns normalised to a chondritic primitive mantle for a chondritic BSE model (orange) and an EDR model with $\text{Sm}/\text{Nd} = \text{Sm}/\text{Nd}_{\text{BSE}} + 3.6\%$ (green). The EDR REE pattern is calculated as follows. 1) The REE patterns are anchored at Lu, the least incompatible REE. 2) The early depleted $\epsilon\text{Nd}_{\text{present}}$ value is calculated using the initial CHUR value (Bouvier et al., 2008) at 4.568 Ga and a Sm/Nd ratio 3.6% above that of the BSE. 3) The early depleted $^{177}\text{Hf}/^{176}\text{Hf}$ ratio is deduced from the Hf-Nd mantle correlation ($\epsilon\text{Hf}_{\text{present}} = 1.59 \times \epsilon\text{Nd}_{\text{present}} + 1.28$; Chauvel et al., 2008). 4) The Lu/Hf ratio is obtained by comparison of the initial $^{177}\text{Hf}/^{176}\text{Hf}_{\text{CHUR}}$ ratio (Bouvier et al., 2008) and the early depleted Hf isotopic composition calculated in step 3. That is, the Hf concentration is obtained from the known Lu concentration set as the anchor point in step 1. 5) The Sm concentration is calculated from the Sm/Hf ratio, which has a constant value of 1.44 in OIBs (Jackson and Jellinek, 2013). 6) The Nd concentration is calculated from the Sm/Nd ratio (known after steps 2 and 5). 7) The La and Ce concentrations are calculated using a binomial fit through the chondrite normalised Sm, Nd, and Lu concentrations (i.e., the equation of the La–Lu pattern is of the form $y = ax^2 + bx + c$, where x represents the REEs, numbered 1–15 for La–Lu).

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824 Fig. 4. ϵNd vs. ϵCe measured in mantle-derived samples (see Fig. 2, with additional data for IABs from
825 [Bellot et al., 2015, 2018](#) and continental crust samples; see Supplementary Fig. S6). The global linear
826 trend of the mantle array is shown as the black dashed line and intercepts the chondritic composition
827 ($\epsilon\text{Nd} = 0.00$, $\epsilon\text{Ce} = 0.07 \pm 0.05$ (2σ)). Large symbols represent terrestrial reservoirs. Note that mean
828 loess corresponds to a 1.8 Ga UCC (T_{DM}); and we represent a 2.2 Ga UCC as a modelled composition
829 (aged loess). The mean CC value is the mean value of continental samples averaged by location. The
830 continental crust value published in [Tanaka et al. \(1987\)](#) is calculated from 5 measurements. The 4.3 Ga
831 mafic crust composition results from an extraction model from the depleted mantle. The red field
832 represents the DMM-UCC mixing curves. The brown field corresponds to the DMM-4.3 Ga mafic crust
833 mixing curves. The fields correspond to the different curves calculated using DMM Ce and Nd
834 concentrations given by [Salters and Stracke, 2004](#) and [Workman and Hart, 2005](#). The orange field
835 represents all the DMM-CC mixing curves calculated for a chondritic BSE model (bulk crust
836 compositions shown by the bold orange line). The green field represents all the DMM-CC mixing curves
837 calculated for an EDR model (bulk crust compositions shown by the bold green line). See details in the
838 text and calculation parameters in [Table 3](#).

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840 Fig. 5. Mass fraction of the depleted mantle relative to the primitive mantle ($m_{\text{DM}}/m_{\text{PM}}$, expressed in
841 percent) vs. the ϵNd value of the bulk continental crust. Two cases are represented: DMM-CC mixing
842 for a chondritic BSE (orange) and DMM-CC mixing for an EDR (green). Parameters used in the
843 calculations are discussed in the text and reported in [Table 3](#).

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845 Fig. 6. ϵNd vs. ϵCe measured in mantle-derived samples compared with reservoir evolution models. The
846 present-day average compositions of the recycled oceanic crust (ROC = MORB; this study) and oceanic
847 sediments ([Bellot et al., 2015, 2018](#)) are shown as large symbols. Solid lines outline the present-day
848 isotopic compositions of these reservoirs if formed at different ages. The yellow line shows the evolution
849 of MORBs using mean La/Ce and Sm/Nd ratios of MORBs and the MORB source. Similarly, the blue
850 and purple lines show the evolution of oceanic sediments with chondrite-normalised REE patterns

851 showing a Ce negative anomaly as observed in modern oceanic sediments ($\text{La/Ce} = 0.57$) or without a
852 Ce anomaly ($\text{La/Ce} = 0.47$), representing oceanic sediments formed in reduced conditions before the
853 GOE (~ 2.4 Ga), respectively. The Ce-Nd isotopic composition of the recycled material is shown by
854 mixing curves between contemporaneous ROC and oceanic sediments (dashed lines).

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Table 1

Type	Sample	Location	Volcano	$^{138}\text{Ce}/^{142}\text{Ce}$	2se	ϵCe	La/Ce	$^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$	2se	ϵNd	Sm/Nd
OIB	E38	Ethiopia		0.02256395	20	-0.81	0.305	0.512935	2	5.95	0.220
	E39			0.02256372	14	-0.91	0.318	0.512936	2	5.96	0.218
	E95			0.02256393	21	-0.81	0.318	0.512871	2	4.71	0.273
	E156			0.02256421	16	-0.69	0.375	0.512907	2	5.40	0.190
	E202			0.02256401	20	-0.78	0.310	0.512728	2	1.92	0.257
	E266			0.02256469	16	-0.48	0.399	0.512824	1	3.78	0.199
	E268			0.02256497	16	-0.35	0.459	0.512779	1	2.90	0.209
	E271			0.02256558	18	-0.08	0.478	0.512746	2	2.26	0.205
	RRTO 06	Austral Islands	Rututu	0.02256437	19	-0.62	0.474	0.512877	2	4.81	0.208
	TBA-IH		Tubuai	0.02256375	20	-0.89	0.355	0.512894	2	5.15	0.193
	MCD201		McDonald	0.02256514	27	-0.28	0.145	0.512834	2	3.98	0.280
	13K	Society	Tahaa	0.02256578	14	0.00	0.361	0.512563	2	-1.30	0.261
	F107	Tuamotu		0.02256382	22	-0.86	0.440	0.512929	2	5.83	0.236
	F124			0.02256379	21	-0.87	0.443	0.512902	2	5.30	0.219
	F128		Fangataufa	0.02256456	20	-0.53	0.460	0.512923	1	5.73	0.239
	F129			0.02256415	20	-0.72	0.436	0.512951	2	6.25	0.229
	F176			0.02256400	25	-0.78	0.494	0.512902	2	5.31	0.210
	SP1	St-Paul		0.02256416	16	-0.71	0.445	0.512876	2	4.79	0.251
	1804-1	Hawaii	Loihi	0.02256428	15	-0.66	0.295	0.512934	1	5.94	0.249
	1804-21			0.02256427	20	-0.66	0.308	0.512935	2	5.96	0.240
	1804-19			0.02256435	19	-0.63	0.275	0.512940	1	6.04	0.247
	Haw-2000-04		Mauna Loa	0.02256451	20	-0.55	0.387	0.512913	1	5.52	0.282
	Haw-2000-19			0.02256483	20	-0.41	0.401	0.512838	2	4.06	0.270
	Haw-2000-13		Kohala	0.02256417	22	-0.71	0.417	0.512999	1	7.20	0.214
	Haw-2000-28		Kilauea	0.02256442	20	-0.60	0.407	0.512944	2	6.13	0.285
	Haw-2000-17		Mauna Kea	0.02256430	15	-0.65	0.414	0.513000	1	7.21	0.233
	0608-021	Reunion	Piton de la	0.02256414	19	-0.72	0.436	0.512851	2	4.32	0.236
	80-76		Fournaise	0.02256463	18	-0.50	0.446	0.512841	2	4.11	0.229
	989/036			0.02256450	19	-0.56	0.445	0.512859	2	4.46	0.242
	986/115			0.02256445	20	-0.58	0.440	0.512837	2	4.03	0.230
	070406-1			0.02256457	20	-0.53	0.429	0.512862	2	4.53	0.250
	67a	Cape Verde	Fogo	0.02256517	23	-0.26	0.459	0.512786	1	3.03	0.175
	F10			0.02256524	23	-0.23	0.475	0.512730	3	1.94	0.179
	F16			0.02256473	20	-0.46	0.466	0.512752	2	2.37	0.185
	CY-165			0.02256448	23	-0.57	0.421	0.512901	1	5.30	0.186
	SV-01		Sao Vicente	0.02256415	20	-0.72	0.456	0.512890	1	5.08	0.191
	SV-12			0.02256417	22	-0.71	0.479	0.512889	2	5.05	0.202
	S-06		Sal	0.02256442	20	-0.60	0.469	0.512862	2	4.53	0.214
	SN-09		Sao Nicolau	0.02256356	19	-0.98	0.481	0.512952	2	6.29	0.190
	ST08		Santiago	0.02256495	21	-0.36	0.486	0.512822	1	3.74	0.200
	93(07)77	Iceland	Höfud Reidarm	0.02256424	22	-0.67	0.336	0.513102	1	9.20	0.188
	93(07)76		úli	0.02256377	24	-0.88	0.359	0.513077	1	8.71	0.381
	93(07)24		Asbyrgi	0.02256408	17	-0.75	0.377	0.513027	2	7.74	0.352
	93(07)23			0.02256371	22	-0.91	0.372	0.513030	2	7.81	0.285
	93(07)56		Langaviti	0.02256340	20	-1.05	0.350	0.513097	1	9.12	0.298
	ACO 95-3	Sao Miguel		0.02256559	17	-0.08	0.479	0.512733	1	2.00	0.190
	BM1962 128 (114)	Tristan Da Cunha		0.02256653	19	0.34	0.448	0.512503	2	-2.47	0.178
	BM1962 128 (112)			0.02256654	18	0.34	0.489	0.512502	1	-2.49	0.178
	BM1965 P5 (8)	St-Helena		0.02256401	21	-0.78	0.741	0.512884	2	4.95	0.201
	BM1965 P5 (12)			0.02256417	18	-0.71	0.433	0.512872	2	4.73	0.208
	65001	Heard		0.02256604	20	0.12	0.456	0.512586	2	-0.87	0.203
	65151			0.02256674	22	0.43	0.468	0.512512	1	-2.31	0.198
	65171			0.02256620	21	0.19	0.545	0.512567	1	-1.23	0.188
	69230			0.02256555	22	-0.09	0.491	0.512691	3	1.19	0.184
	69244			0.02256551	18	-0.11	0.464	0.512697	2	1.30	0.196
	69254			0.02256550	20	-0.12	0.463	0.512711	2	1.57	0.195
	LVF-98-107	Kerguelen		0.02256577	23	0.00					
	MPC-99-103			0.02256611	17	0.15		0.512484*	12*	-2.85	
	RR08-121			0.02256603	17	0.12		0.512579*	2*	-0.99	
MORB	Searise-1 DR05-102	MORB	Pacific Ocean	0.02256309	23	-1.19	0.310	0.513164	2	10.42	0.349
	MD23 Site 4			0.02256380	21	-0.87	0.289	0.513084	1	8.85	0.308
	Clipperton DR01			0.02256355	33	-0.98	0.343	0.513122	2	9.59	0.321
	CY82-0903	Indian Ocean		0.02256310	20	-1.18	0.391	0.513118	1	9.52	0.278
	MD34-D3			0.02256414	27	-0.72	0.297	0.513122	2	9.60	0.393
	MD34-D4			0.02256409	22	-0.74	0.372	0.513133	1	9.81	0.336
	MD34-D6			0.02256416	20	-0.71	0.411	0.513133	1	9.81	0.305
Loess	R11	W Europe	Belgium	0.02257001	59	1.88		0.512035*	9*	-11.61	
	LO94		Svalbard	0.02257026	40	1.99		0.511937*	10*	-13.52	
	XN-4	China	Xining	0.02256952	50	1.66		0.512120*	11*	-9.95	
	Sahara 2900m	Sahara	Alpes, France	0.02256946	41	1.64		0.512011*	7*	-12.07	
	TJK3198	Tajikistan	Chashmanigar	0.02257004	46	1.89		0.512131*	8*	-9.73	
	TJK3165			0.02256955	32	1.68		0.512117*	9*	-10.01	

Table 2

Sample	Location	Type	$^{138}\text{Ce}/^{142}\text{Ce}$	2 σ	ϵCe	La/Ce
Sahara 97072	Sahara	EH3 - Find	0.02256613	21	0.16	0.410
Sahara 97158	Sahara	EH3 - Find	0.02256571	24	-0.02	0.385
Oudiyat Sbaa	W Sahara	EH5 - Fall	0.02256633	26	0.25	0.371
Adrar Bous	Niger	EL5 - Find	0.02256591	21	0.06	0.384
Yilmia	Australia	EL6 - Find	0.02256251	20	-1.44	0.362
Pillistfer	Estonia	EL6 - Fall	0.02256272	20	-1.35	0.354
Agen	France	H5 - Find	0.02256561	21	-0.07	0.393
NWA 8007	Morocco	L3 - Find	0.02256554	20	-0.10	0.389
NWA 10854	NW Africa	L3 - Find	0.02256560	23	-0.07	0.382
Saint-Severin	France	LL6 - Fall	0.02256522	23	-0.24	0.392
Allende	Mexico	CV3 – Fall	0.02256585	32	0.20	0.400

Table 3

	Chondritic BSE	EDR	DMM	CC	UCC (1.8 Ga)	UCC (2.2 Ga)	Mafic crust (4.3 Ga)
Ce (µg/g)	1.0-1.7			43	68	68	11.2
Nd (µg/g)	0.8-1.3			20	29	29	5.9
Ce/Nd	1.28	1.22		2.15	2.33	2.33	1.9
$^{138}\text{Ce}/^{142}\text{Ce}$	0.02256577 ± 66	0.02256492	0.02256325 ± 145		0.02256981 ± 68	0.02257091	0.0225743
ϵCe	0.00 ± 0.29	-0.4	-1.1 ± 0.6		1.8 ± 0.3	2.3	3.8
$^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$	0.512630 ± 11	0.512842	0.513129 ± 116		0.512059 ± 155	0.511759	0.511745
ϵNd	0.00 ± 0.21	4.1	9.7 ± 2.3		-11.2 ± 3.0	-17	-17.3

Supplementary material

Formation of the Ce-Nd mantle array: crustal extraction vs. recycling by subduction

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Supplementary 1.

Trace element patterns and Ce anomalies

1. Trace element patterns

Fig. S1. Trace element patterns of OIBs, MORBs, and loesses. Concentrations are normalised to primitive mantle values (Sun and McDonough, 1989).

Fig S2. Rare earth element patterns of OIBs, MORBs, and chondrites. Concentrations are normalised to CI chondrite values (Barrat et al., 2012).

Fig. S3. Rare earth element patterns of loess samples. Concentrations are normalised to the upper continental crust (Rudnick and Gao, 2003).

2. Ce isotopic ratios as a function of elemental Ce anomalies

Fig. S4. $^{138}\text{Ce}/^{142}\text{Ce}$ vs Ce/Ce^* diagram for terrestrial samples analysed in this study. Ce/Ce^* represents the elemental Ce anomaly relative to the neighbouring REEs as $\frac{\text{Ce}}{\text{Ce}^*} = \frac{\text{Ce}_N}{\frac{1}{2}\text{La}_N + \frac{1}{2}\text{Pr}_N}$, where a_N , Ce_N , and Pr_N are the La, Ce, and Pr concentrations normalised to CI chondrite (Barrat et al., 2012). One sample from the Saint-Helena hotspot has a large negative Ce anomaly ($\text{Ce}/\text{Ce}^* = 0.64$), but its Ce isotopic composition is similar to that of other samples from the same location. This anomaly probably reflects the late alteration of the rock. Some samples from Ethiopia, Hawaii, and French Polynesia have significant positive anomalies. These anomalies reflect depletion in La (Fig. S2), and are not correlated with Ce isotopic ratios.

Supplementary 2.

Literature $^{138}\text{Ce}/^{142}\text{Ce}$ ratios and data normalisation: example with MORB

We prefer to use the epsilon notation when comparing data from the literature. The most rigorous method for comparison is the use of CHUR values measured under the same analytical conditions (i.e., mass spectrometer, cup configuration, analytical protocol, etc.). This choice results from the difficulty in normalising data acquired with distinct protocols. In Fig. S5, we highlight the bias observed when comparing MORB samples from different studies (Bellot et al., 2015, 2018; Willig and Stracke, 2019) normalised using either BCR-2 or Ce_{AMES} . Isotopic compositions vary by up to 10 ppm for data from Willig and Stracke (2019) and by up to 20 ppm for data from Bellot et al. (2015, 2018).

Fig. S5. Ce isotopic compositions of MORB samples from the literature normalised either to BCR-2 or to Ce_{AMES} and compared to data from this study. The dotted line indicates the 1-1 correspondence line.

Supplementary 3.

$^{138}\text{Ce}/^{142}\text{Ce}$ ratios of crustal samples from literature

Fig. S6. $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ vs $^{138}\text{Ce}/^{142}\text{Ce}$ ratios measured in mantle-derived samples (see Fig. 2) and continental crust samples (Dickin et al., 1987; Gao et al., 2016; Hayashi et al., 2004; Lee et al., 2001, 2010; Liu et al., 1990; Masuda et al., 1988; Minami et al., 1995; Shimizu et al., 1988, 1990, 1996; Tanaka et al., 1987; Tazoe et al., 2007). Large symbols represent reservoirs (as in Fig. 6). Note that the red square is the continental crust proposed by Tanaka et al. (1987). The black square is the mean value of all literature continental crust samples represented here ($n = 94$), and the open square is the mean continental crust value when samples are averaged by location ($n = 16$).

Supplementary 4.

Mass-balance DMM-CC mixing calculations

Our single-stage differentiation model considers the continental crust (CC) and the depleted MORB mantle (DMM) to be complementary reservoirs developed from the primitive mantle (BSE).

The Nd sialic index (W_{Nd}) is defined as the amount of Nd in the continental crust relative to the total amount of Nd in the BSE (Allègre and Lewin, 1989). Its value can be obtained from the $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ ratios of the BSE, DMM, and CC as:

$$\frac{^{143}\text{Nd}}{^{144}\text{Nd}_{BSE}} = W_{Nd} \times \frac{^{143}\text{Nd}}{^{144}\text{Nd}_{CC}} + (1 - W_{Nd}) \times \frac{^{143}\text{Nd}}{^{144}\text{Nd}_{DMM}}. \quad (1)$$

The Nd sialic index can also be approximated as the product of the mass fraction of continental crust (W , relative to the BSE) and the ratio of the Nd contents in the continental crust and BSE as:

$$W_{Nd} = W \times \frac{[\text{Nd}]_{CC}}{[\text{Nd}]_{BSE}} \quad \text{where } W = \frac{m_{CC}}{m_{CC} + m_{DMM}}. \quad (2)$$

Using W as obtained above, the Ce sialic index (W_{Ce}) and the Ce isotopic composition of the continental crust can be deduced from equations similar to equations (1) and (2):

$$W_{Ce} = W \times \frac{[\text{Ce}]_{CC}}{[\text{Ce}]_{BSE}}, \quad (4)$$

$$\frac{^{138}\text{Ce}}{^{142}\text{Ce}_{BSE}} = W_{Ce} \times \frac{^{138}\text{Ce}}{^{142}\text{Ce}_{CC}} + (1 - W_{Ce}) \times \frac{^{138}\text{Ce}}{^{142}\text{Ce}_{DMM}}. \quad (3)$$

The mass fraction of continental crust W also allows us to recalculate the complementary Nd and Ce contents of the DMM using mass-balance equations for the trace element concentrations:

$$[\text{Nd}]_{BSE} = W \times [\text{Nd}]_{CC} + (1 - W) \times [\text{Nd}]_{DMM}, \quad (5)$$

$$[\text{Ce}]_{BSE} = W \times [\text{Ce}]_{CC} + (1 - W) \times [\text{Ce}]_{DMM}. \quad (6)$$

To maintain a consistent dataset between isotopic and elemental ratios, the Ce and Nd concentrations of the DMM are recalculated using the BSE and CC contents and the mass fraction of DMM determined in step 2 ($= 1 - \text{mass fraction of CC}$). The Ce/Nd ratio is set to 1.28 for a chondritic BSE and to 1.22 for the EDR model. So that the Lu value chosen to anchor the REE pattern of the BSE has no consequence on the final ϵCe value. Using the Lu contents proposed by Lyubetskaya and Korenaga (2007), Allègre et al. (2001), and Palme and O'Neill (2014) gives uncertainties of ± 0.3 ppm on the Ce and Nd contents of the DMM. Corresponding DMM Ce and Nd concentrations are 0.1–1.0 and 0.6–1.0 ppm, respectively, in the chondritic case and 0.6–1.1 and 0.8–1.0 ppm, respectively, in the EDR model. We obtained restricted ϵNd_{CC} ranges of -13 to -21 (CHUR) and -10 to -12 (EDR) that are similar within errors to the values proposed by Salters and Stracke (2004) and Workman and Hart (2005).

Supplementary 5. Recycling models

Fig. S7. Evolution models used to calculate the present (A) ϵ_{Nd} and (B) ϵ_{Ce} isotopic compositions of recycled MORBs (yellow) and oceanic sediments (blue) for ages of formation between 4 and 1 Ga. Solid lines connect the present-day isotopic compositions of MORBs and oceanic sediments to the initial CHUR ratio, and dashed lines represent their isotopic evolution since the reservoir formation times. MORBs are characterised by $\text{La}/\text{Ce}_{\text{MORB}} = 0.34$ and $\text{Sm}/\text{Nd}_{\text{MORB}} = 0.33$ (this study). Oceanic sediments formed after the Great Oxygenation Event are characterised by $\text{La}/\text{Ce}_{\text{OS}} = 0.57$ and $\text{Sm}/\text{Nd}_{\text{OS}} = 0.20$ (data from Bellot et al., 2015, 2018), and those that formed earlier are assumed to have $\text{La}/\text{Ce}_{\text{OS}} = 0.47$ (after Ce anomaly correction). MORB and oceanic sediments sources have constant chemical ratios extrapolated from the evolution of an initial chondritic reservoir until present-day composition. MORB source has $\text{La}/\text{Ce}_{\text{MORB source}} = 0.36$ and $\text{Sm}/\text{Nd}_{\text{MORB source}} = 0.35$. Oceanic sediments source has $\text{La}/\text{Ce}_{\text{sediments source}} = 0.41$ and $\text{Sm}/\text{Nd}_{\text{MORB source}} = 0.31$. Figure modified after Chauvel et al. (2008).

	ROC (MORB)	MORB source	Oceanic sediments	Oceanic sediments (Pre-GOE)	Oceanic sediment source
La (μg/g)	5 ± 5		18 ± 9	18 ± 9	
Ce (μg/g)	15 ± 12		33 ± 25	38 ± 22	
La/Ce	0.34 ± 0.10	0.36	0.57 ± 0.25	0.47 ± 0.05	0.41
¹³⁸Ce/¹⁴²Ce	0.02256325 ± 145		0.02256771 ± 310	0.02256771 ± 310	
εCe	-1.1 ± 0.6		0.9 ± 1.4	0.9 ± 1.4	
Nd (μg/g)	13 ± 7		18 ± 13	18 ± 13	
Sm (μg/g)	4 ± 2		4 ± 3	4 ± 3	
Nd/Sm	0.34 ± 0.07	0.38	0.20 ± 0.03	0.20 ± 0.03	0.19
¹⁴³Nd/¹⁴⁴Nd	0.513129 ± 116		0.512360 ± 653	0.512360 ± 653	
εNd	9.7 ± 2.3		-5.3 ± 12.7	-5.3 ± 12.7	

Table S1: La, Ce, Sm and Nd contents, La/Ce and Sm/Nd ratios and Ce and Nd isotopic compositions of terrestrial reservoirs used in recycling models (Fig. 5 and Fig. S7). ROC, recycled oceanic crust; DMM, depleted MORB mantle; GOE, great oxygenation event. ROC and oceanic sediments isotopic and chemical compositions are based on measurements (MORB: this study, [Bellot et al., 2015, 2018](#), [Makishima and Masuda, 1994](#) and [Willig and Stracke, 2019](#); oceanic sediments: [Bellot et al., 2015, 2018](#)). ROC and oceanic sediments sources have constant chemical ratios extrapolated from the evolution of an initial chondritic reservoir until present-day isotopic compositions measured in MORB and oceanic sediments. Pre-GOE oceanic sediments La/Ce ratio and Ce contents are corrected from Ce anomaly.

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