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**Abstract:** Major, trace element, K-Ar age and Sr-Nd isotopic data are presented for the Eocene Torul volcanics in the eastern Pontide orogenic belt (NE Turkey). The studied rocks are composed of basaltic andesitic, andesitic, trachyandesitic, and minor trachydacitic lavas associated with their pyroclastics. These rocks contain plagioclase (An<sub>2-44</sub>), hornblende (Mg# = 0.78–0.98), clinopyroxene (Wo<sub>43-46</sub>En<sub>41-43</sub>Fs<sub>10-15</sub>), biotite, quartz, and minor sanidine phenocrysts. K-Ar ages on hornblendes range from 43.99 (±2.59) to 33.45 (±2.32) Ma, within the Middle to Late Eocene. The volcanic rocks show calc-alkaline affinities and have medium to high K contents. They are enriched in large ion lithophile (LILE) and light rare earth elements (LREE), with pronounced depletion of high field strength elements (HFSE). The chondrite-normalized REE patterns (La<sub>cn</sub>/Lu<sub>cn</sub> = 4.0–9.8) show low to medium enrichment, indicating similar sources for the rock suite. Initial <sup>87</sup>Sr/<sup>86</sup>Sr values vary between 0.70457 and 0.70511 and initial <sup>143</sup>Nd/<sup>144</sup>Nd values between 0.51264 and 0.51278. The main solidification processes involved in the evolution of the volcanics consist of fractional crystallization with minor amounts of crustal contamination ± magma mixing. All evidence supports the conclusion that the parental magma(s) of the rocks probably derived from an enriched upper mantle, previously modified by subduction-induced metasomatism in a post-collisional geodynamic setting.

**Key Words:** eastern Pontides, geochemistry, Sr-Nd isotopes, post-collisional magmatism, Torul volcanics

### Doğu Pontidlerde (KD Türkiye) Çarpışma Sonrası Kalk-Alkalen Volkanizmanın Jeokimyası ve Sr-Nd İzotopik Karakterleri

**Özet:** Doğu Pontidlerde Eosen yaşlı Torul volkanitlerinin ana, iz element, K-Ar yaş ve Sr-Nd izotop verileri incelenmiştir. İncelenen volkanitler, bazaltik andezit, andezit, trakiandezit ve az oranda da trakidasit ve bunların piroklastiklerinden oluşurlar. Volkanitler plajiyoklas (An<sub>2-44</sub>), hornblend (Mg# = 0.78–0.98), klinopirosken (Wo<sub>43-46</sub>En<sub>41-43</sub>Fs<sub>10-15</sub>), biyotit, kuvars ve az oranda da sanidin fenokristallerinden oluşurlar. Hornblendlerdeki K-Ar yaşları, 43.99 (±2.59) – 33.45 (±2.32) My aralığında olup, Torul volkanitlerinin Orta-Geç Eosen zamanında oluştuğunu göstermektedir. Torul volkanitleri kalk-alkalen karakterli olup orta-yüksek K içeriğine sahiptirler. Volkanitler büyük iyon yarıçaplı elementler (LILE) ve hafif nadir toprak elementlerce (LREE) zenginleşmiş, yüksek çekim alanlı elementlerce (HFSE) tüketilmişlerdir. Kondrite normalize edilmiş nadir toprak element dağılımları, düşük-orta derecede zengileşmeyle konkav şekilli olup (La<sub>cn</sub>/Lu<sub>cn</sub> = 4.0–9.8), volkanitleri oluşturan kayaların benzer kayaktan itibaren oluştuğunu düşündürmektedir. <sup>87</sup>Sr/<sup>86</sup>Sr<sub>(i)</sub> değerleri 0.70457–0.70511 arasında olup <sup>143</sup>Nd/<sup>144</sup>Nd<sub>(i)</sub> değerleri 0.51264–0.51278 arasındadır. Volkanitlerin gelişiminde başlıca fraksiyonel kristallenme, daha az oranda da kabuksal kirlenme ± magma karışımı rol oynamıştır. Tüm bu veriler, volkanitlerin köken magma(lar)sının muhtemelen daha önceki yitim akışkanları tarafından metasomatizmaya uğratılmış zenginleşmiş bir üst manto kaynağından, çarpışma sonrası jeodinamik bir ortamda türeyebileceklerini ifade etmektedir.

**Anahtar Sözcükler:** doğu Pontidler, jeokimya, Sr-Nd izotop, çarpışma sonrası magmatizma, Torul volkanitleri

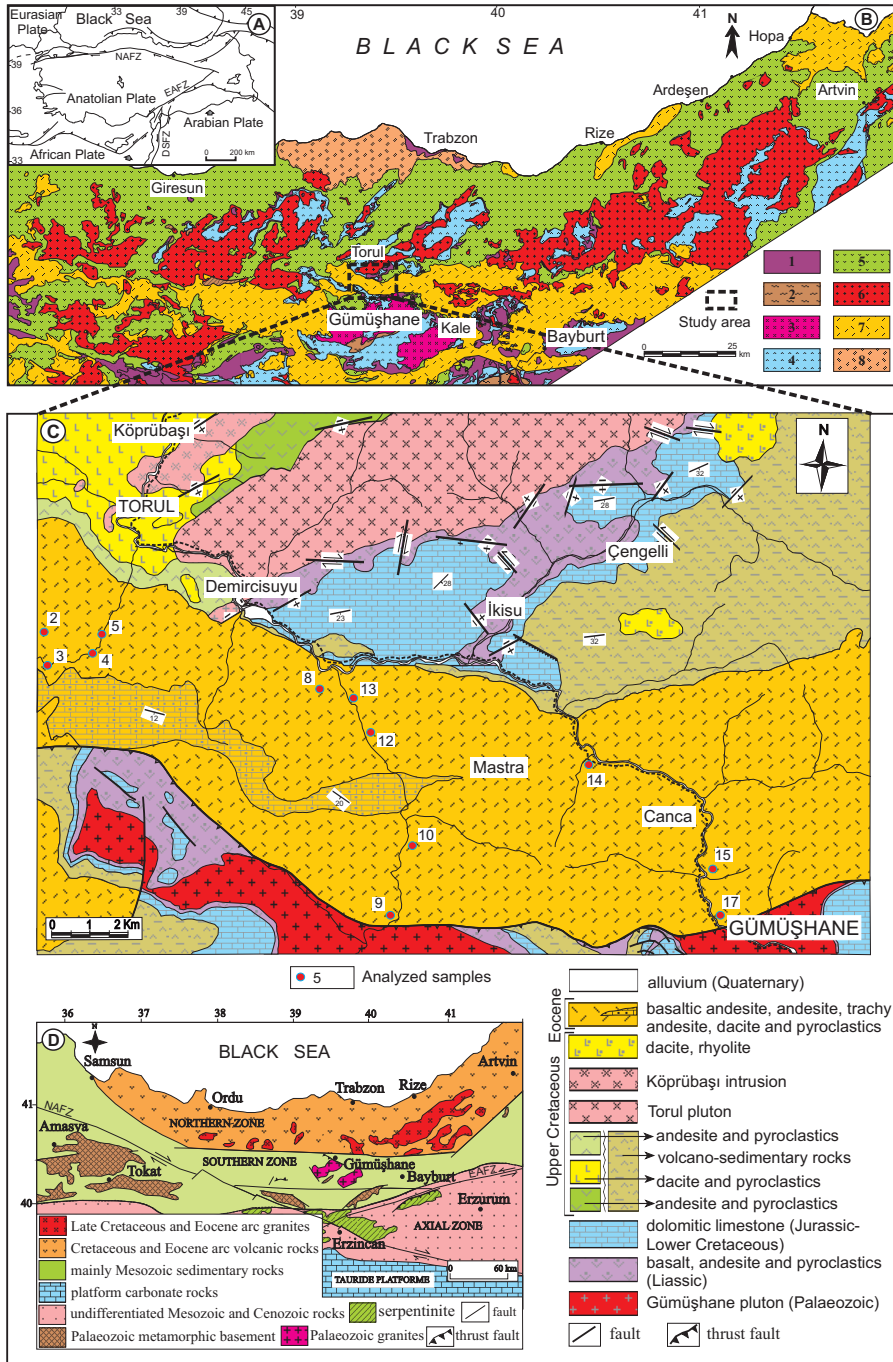
## Introduction

The eastern Pontides are an example of long-term crustal evolution from pre-subduction rifting, through island arc volcanism and plutonism to post-subduction alkaline volcanism (e.g., Akın 1978; Şengör & Yılmaz 1981; Akıncı 1984). The eastern Pontides are characterized by three volcanic cycles developed during Liassic, Late Cretaceous and Eocene times (Çamur *et al.* 1996; Arslan *et al.* 1997). Although many authors have addressed the evolution of the volcanic rocks in the eastern Pontides (e.g., Adamia *et al.* 1977; Tokel 1977; Kazmin *et al.* 1986; Çamur *et al.* 1996; Arslan *et al.* 1997, 2000a & b, 2002, 2007a & b, 2009; Şen *et al.* 1998; Arslan & Aliyazıcıoğlu 2001; Temizel & Arslan 2003, 2005, 2008, 2009; Şen 2007; Altherr *et al.* 2008; Aydın *et al.* 2008), isotopic and petrogenetic studies are limited in the region. Tokel (1977) noted the calc-alkaline composition of the volcanic rocks, reflecting features of island-arc volcanism. Çamur *et al.* (1996) and Arslan *et al.* (1997) suggested that the volcanic rocks were derived from an enriched MORB-like mantle source, and are related to subduction processes. Arslan *et al.* (1997) reported that the general geochemical characteristics of the volcanics imply that their parental magma was derived from the upper mantle and/or lower crust. Geochemical data show that the volcanic rocks are mainly calc-alkaline, with moderate potassium enrichment. They evolved by shallow-level fractional crystallization, magma mixing and contamination of a parental magma. Aydın *et al.* (2008) suggested that enriched subcontinental lithospheric mantle played a role during the formation of the Neogene alkaline volcanic rocks in the Trabzon area. Arslan *et al.* (2007a, b, 2009) reported that the variety and distribution of volcanic rocks, together with petrological data, indicate that Tertiary volcanic activity in the eastern Pontides is closely related to the thinning of young lithosphere caused by a transtensional tectonic regime developed by Late Cretaceous–Eocene slab break-off in the Pontide palaeo-magmatic arc. Moreover, the calc-alkaline nature of the Eocene volcanism may be connected with an increasingly geodynamic regime and compression following the slab break off (Arslan *et al.* 2007a, b, 2009).

Apart from some recent age and isotopic data obtained from Eocene volcanic rocks in the southernmost part of the eastern Pontide belt (Arslan *et al.* 2007a; Temizel 2008), such data are lacking from other parts of the volcanic belt, including the Torul area. In this study, new petrographic, geochemical and Sr-Nd isotopic data for volcanic rocks in the Torul (Gümüşhane) area are reported that contribute to the formation and magmatic evolution of the widespread eastern Pontide Eocene volcanism.

## Regional Geology and Stratigraphy

Based on structural and lithological differences the eastern Pontide belt is commonly subdivided into a northern and southern zone (Figure 1) (Özsayar *et al.* 1981; Okay & Şahintürk 1997). Upper Cretaceous and Middle Eocene volcanic and volcanoclastic rocks dominate the northern zone, whereas pre-Late Cretaceous rocks are widely exposed in the southern zone (Arslan *et al.* 1997, 2000a, 2002; Şen *et al.* 1998; Şen 2007). The volcanic rocks of the eastern Pontides lie unconformably on a Palaeozoic heterogeneous crystalline basement, and are intruded by granitoids (Yılmaz 1972; Çoğulu 1975; Okay & Şahintürk 1997; Topuz *et al.* 2001; Topuz 2002). Volcanic and volcano-sedimentary rocks of Jurassic age lie unconformably on the basement. These rocks are tholeiitic in character and mostly crop out in the southern zone. They consist of basaltic, minor andesitic and trachyandesitic lavas and pyroclastic equivalents. The Jurassic volcanics are overlain conformably by Jurassic–Cretaceous neritic and pelagic carbonates. The Upper Cretaceous series that unconformably overlies these carbonate rocks consists of sedimentary rocks in the southern part, and of volcanic rocks in the northern parts (Bektaş *et al.* 1987; Robinson *et al.* 1995; Yılmaz & Korkmaz 1999). The Cretaceous volcanic rocks are tholeiitic to calc-alkaline in composition and comprise dacites, rhyolites and minor andesites, basalts, and their pyroclastic equivalents. Plutonic rocks (Figure 1) were also emplaced between Jurassic and Palaeocene time (Okay & Şahintürk 1997; Yılmaz *et al.* 1997; Kaygusuz *et al.* 2008, 2009; Kaygusuz & Aydınçakır 2009).



**Figure 1.** (a) Tectonic map of Turkey and surroundings (modified after Şengör *et al.* 2003); (b) distribution of volcanic units in the eastern Pontides (modified from Güven 1993); (c) geological map of the study area (modified after Jica 1986 and Kaygusuz 2000), and (d) major structures of the eastern Pontides (modified from Eyüboğlu *et al.* 2007). 1- Permo-Carboniferous terrigenes, 2- Palaeozoic metamorphic rocks, 3- Palaeozoic granitoids, 4- Jurassic-Lower Cretaceous volcanic rocks, 5- Upper Cretaceous volcanic rocks, 6- Upper Cretaceous-Eocene granitoids, 7- Tertiary calc-alkaline volcanic rocks, 8- Tertiary alkaline volcanic rocks. NAFZ- North Anatolian Fault Zone, EAFZ- East Anatolian Fault Zone.

The Eocene volcanic rocks unconformably overlie the Upper Cretaceous series (Güven 1993; Yılmaz & Kokmaz 1999). During Palaeocene–Early Eocene time, the eastern Pontides were above sea level, probably due to the collision of the Eurasian and Arabian plates (Okay & Şahintürk 1997; Boztuğ *et al.* 2004). Calc-alkaline to alkaline Tertiary volcanic rocks (Figure 1a) are exposed in the Trabzon and Tonya region (northern zone) and in the Gümüşhane and Ordu region (southern zone) (Arslan *et al.* 1997, 2000a, b, 2001, 2002, 2007a, b; Şen *et al.* 1998; Temizel & Arslan 2003, 2005, 2008, 2009; Aydın 2004; Şen 2007; Temizel 2008; Yücel *et al.* 2009). The Eocene volcanic and volcanoclastic rocks are intruded by calc-alkaline granitoids of similar age (44 Ma; Arslan & Aslan 2006). Post-Eocene uplift and erosion was accompanied by clastic deposition in locally developed basins (Korkmaz *et al.* 1995). From the end of the Middle Eocene, the region remained largely above sea level, with minor volcanism and terrigenous sedimentation continuing until the present (Okay & Şahintürk 1997). The Miocene and post-Miocene volcanic history of the eastern Pontides is characterized by calc-alkaline to mildly alkaline volcanism (Aydın 2004; Arslan *et al.* 2007a; Temizel 2008).

The Torul area is located at the transition between the northern and southern zones of the eastern Pontides, NE Turkey (Figure 1). This region exposes Liassic, Upper Cretaceous and Tertiary volcanic rocks (Kaygusuz 2000; Kaygusuz *et al.* 2006). Liassic volcanics are tholeiitic to calc-alkaline and consist mainly of basalts, andesites and their pyroclastic equivalents (Kaygusuz 2000; Şen 2007). They are overlain conformably by Jurassic–Cretaceous carbonates. The Late Cretaceous series that unconformably overlies these carbonate rocks is dominated by sedimentary rocks in the southern part, and by volcanic rocks in the northern part of study area. The volcanic rocks are calc-alkaline and consist mainly of andesite, dacite, rhyolite and their pyroclastic equivalents (Kaygusuz 2000; Kaygusuz *et al.* 2006). The sedimentary and volcanoclastic rocks comprise turbiditic flysch consisting of tuff with locally interbedded alternating limestone, marl, sandstone, and siltstone. The Torul (77–80 Ma, Kaygusuz *et al.* 2008) and the Köprübaşı plutons (79 Ma, Kaygusuz & Şen 2010) cut all these lithologies,

and the Tertiary volcanic rocks unconformably overlie all of these rocks. All these units are overlain unconformably by Quaternary alluvium.

In the Torul region, the Eocene sequence consists mainly of basalt, andesite with minor dacite and associated pyroclastics. The unit, which is underlain by upper Cretaceous basement comprising alternating limestone, marl, sandstone, siltstone and tuff, starts with a thin to medium-bedded micritic limestones. These basement units are overlain by a thick volcanic sequence including basalt, andesite, minor dacite and their pyroclastic equivalents. The top of the unit consists of sedimentary rocks, consisting of sandstone, siltstone and marl. Andesitic rocks are the dominant lithology within the sequence. They are characterized by their greenish grey to dark grey colours in the field and the existence of euhedral to subhedral hornblende and plagioclase phenocrysts in hand specimen. Basaltic rocks are also minor constituents of the sequence. Fresh surfaces are characteristically black and dark grey. Dacitic rocks make up volumetrically minor constituents of the sequence. The pyroclastic rocks are mainly represented by basaltic agglomerates, succeeded by medium- to thick-bedded (5–45 cm) tuffs and basaltic/rarely andesitic breccias (10–50 cm in diameter). Rounded agglomerate blocks ranging from 5 to 50 cm in diameter, have been cemented by a fine-grained, altered, greenish-brownish volcanic matrix. Andesitic, basaltic and dacitic tuffs and tuffites, whose bedding thicknesses changes from 15 cm to 80 cm, are volumetrically minor with respect to the other members within the sequence. They exhibit abrupt thickness changes within short distances as in most pyroclastic successions. The total thickness of the Eocene sequence is more than 500 m in the Torul area.

### Analytical Techniques

A total of 120 rock samples were collected from the volcanic rocks in the Torul (Gümüşhane) area. Their mineralogical compositions and textures were studied using a binocular polarizing microscope. Based on these studies, 12 of the freshest and most representative rock samples were selected for whole-rock major element, trace element, and REE analysis.

Major and trace elements were determined by ICP-emission spectrometry and ICP-mass spectrometry using standard techniques at ACME, Analytical Laboratories Ltd., Vancouver (Canada). 0.2 g of rock-powder was fused with 1.5 g LiBO<sub>2</sub> and dissolved in 100 ml 5% HNO<sub>3</sub>. Loss on ignition (LOI) was determined on the dried samples heated to a temperature of 1000 °C. REE analyses were performed by ICP-MS at ACME. Detection limits ranged from 0.01 to 0.1 wt % for major oxides, from 0.1 to 10 ppm for trace elements, and from 0.01 to 0.5 ppm for REE.

Mineral analyses were conducted in the Electron Microprobe Laboratory at the University of New Brunswick (Canada). Measurements were made on a JEOL JSM-6400 scanning electron microscope, equipped with a Link eXL energy-dispersive analyser and a single-wavelength dispersive channel. Analyses were carried out at an acceleration potential of 15 kV under sample currents of 2.5 nA, using 100 s for energy-dispersive data acquisition. Data were reduced with the Link ZAF procedure using a combination of mineral (orthoclase-K, albite-Na, hornblende-Al, olivine-Mg, pyroxene-Si, K, Ca and metals such as Fe and Ti) standards. The analytical results are presented in Tables 1–4. Detection limits are generally about 0.1 wt%.

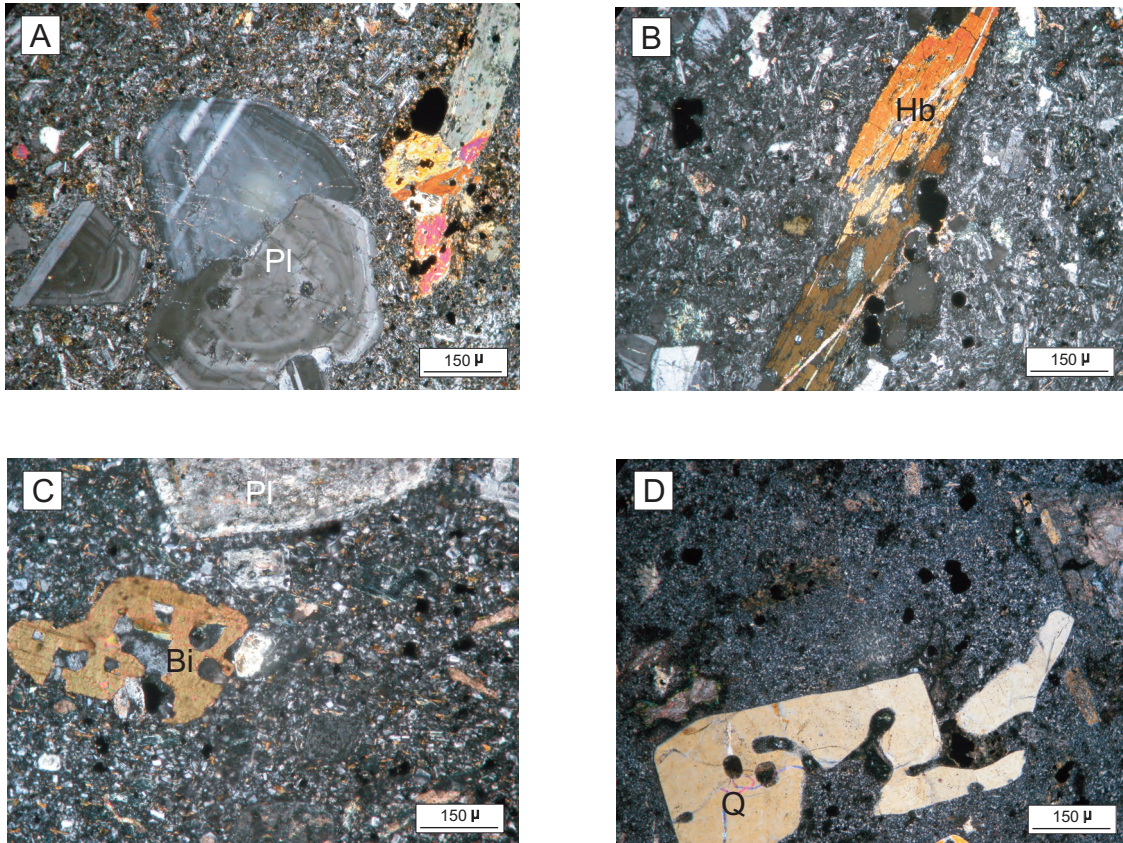
Hornblende separates (200–300 μm) were obtained using conventional heavy liquid and magnetic separation procedures in the mineral-separation laboratories of the Institute of Geology and Geophysics, Chinese Academy of Sciences (Beijing). K-Ar isotopic analyses of these samples were performed at the Institute of Geology and Geophysics, Chinese Academy of Sciences (Beijing). Potassium contents were analyzed using a spectrophotometer (type 6400) and two standards (biotite ZBH-25, trachyte ZGC) for calibration. The argon contents were measured using a RGA10 mass-spectrometer, and were adjusted to a biotite standard ZBH-25 and a trachyte standard ZGC. The parameters used in the age calculation were:  $\lambda = 5.543 \times 10^{-10}$ /year,  $^{40}\text{K}/\Sigma\text{K} = 1.167 \times 10^{-4}$ .

Nd and Sr isotope analyses were conducted at the Institute of Geology and Geophysics, Chinese Academy of Sciences, Beijing. Samples were dissolved using acid (HF + HClO<sub>4</sub>) in sealed Savillex

beakers on a hot plate for one week. Separation of Rb, Sr and light REE was achieved through a cation-exchange column (packed with BioRad AG 50W-X8 resin). Sm and Nd were further purified using a second cation-exchange column that was conditioned and eluted with diluted HCl. Mass analyses were conducted using a multicollector VG354 mass spectrometer as described by Qiao (1988). <sup>87</sup>Sr/<sup>86</sup>Sr and <sup>143</sup>Nd/<sup>144</sup>Nd ratios were corrected for mass fractionation relative to <sup>86</sup>Sr/<sup>88</sup>Sr = 0.1194 and <sup>146</sup>Nd/<sup>144</sup>Nd = 0.7219, respectively. Finally, the <sup>87</sup>Sr/<sup>86</sup>Sr ratios were adjusted to the NBS-987 Sr standard = 0.710250, and the <sup>143</sup>Nd/<sup>144</sup>Nd ratios to the La Jolla Nd standard = 0.511860. The uncertainty in concentration analyses by isotopic dilution is 2% for Rb, 0.5% for Sr, and 0.2–0.5% for Sm and Nd, depending upon concentration levels. Procedural blanks are: Rb = 80 pg, Sr = 300 pg, Sm = 50 pg and Nd = 50–100 pg. The detailed explanation of sample preparation, errors and analytical precision is provided in Zhang *et al.* (2002).

### Petrography and Mineral Chemistry

Based on their mineralogical, petrographic, and textural characteristics, the volcanic rocks of the Torul area are mainly basaltic andesites, andesites, trachyandesites, and minor trachydacites. Basaltic andesites have microlitic to microlitic-porphyric textures with plagioclase, clinopyroxene and hornblende phenocrysts. Their groundmass has an intergranular texture and contains plagioclase, clinopyroxene, hornblende, Fe-Ti oxide, and volcanic glass (Figure 2a). Andesites exhibit hypocristalline porphyritic and glomeroporphyritic textures with phenocrysts of plagioclase, hornblende and clinopyroxene (Figure 2b). Their groundmass has a hyalopilitic texture and includes plagioclase microlites, hornblende, clinopyroxene, Fe-Ti oxide, and volcanic glass. Trachyandesites have microlitic-porphyric textures with plagioclase, K-feldspar (less than 10% of the total feldspars), hornblende and clinopyroxene phenocrysts. Their groundmass has an intergranular and trachytic texture and contains plagioclase, hornblende, clinopyroxene, Fe-Ti oxide, and volcanic glass. Dacites display holocrystalline- and microgranular textures characterized by plagioclase, quartz, hornblende and biotite



**Figure 2.** Microphotographs showing textural features of the Torul volcanic rocks: (a) oscillatory zoning; (b, c) poikilitic textures in hornblende and biotite in which some large hornblende and biotite may contain small plagioclase and opaque minerals; (d) embayed quartz crystals. Pl- plagioclase, Hbl- hornblende, Bi- biotite, Q- quartz.

phenocrysts set in a groundmass of microlites of plagioclase, hornblende, biotite, Fe-Ti oxide, and glass (Figure 2c, d).

Plagioclase is the most common phenocryst phase and occurs in all rock types. It mainly forms euhedral to subhedral, normal and reverse zoned microlites and phenocrysts (up to 2.5 mm). Crystals show oscillatory zoning (Figure 2a) and prismatic-cellular growth. Some samples have poikilitic textures, in which large plagioclase crystals (up to 2 mm) may contain small crystals of plagioclase and opaque minerals. A wide range in anorthite composition (Table 1) can be found, ranging from  $An_{29}$  to  $An_{43}$  in basaltic andesites and from  $An_2$  to  $An_{28}$  in andesites. Sanidine is found in trachyandesitic rocks as subhedral to anhedral

microphenocrysts. Hornblende occurs as euhedral to subhedral phenocrysts and microlites in groundmasses. Phenocrysts (up to 2 mm) are common in all rock types. Hornblende displays a narrow compositional range and is classified as Mg-hastingsite and Mg-hastingsitic hornblende ( $Mg\# = 0.78-0.98$ ) (Table 1; Leake *et al.* 1997). The Mg-number [ $(Mg\# = \text{atomic ratios } Mg/(Mg+Fe))$ , where Fe is total iron] ranges from 0.82 to 0.98 in basaltic andesites and from 0.78 to 0.87 in andesites (Table 1). Larger crystals may contain small plagioclase and opaque minerals (Figure 2b). Pyroxene forms euhedral to subhedral crystals, and occurs in glomeroporphyritic aggregates together with plagioclase and Fe-Ti oxides. Pyroxene phenocrysts (up to 2 mm) are common in basaltic andesites.

**Table 1.** Microprobe analyses of plagioclase, hornblende and pyroxene from the Torul volcanic rocks.

Rock Types	Plagioclase					Hornblende					Pyroxene												
	Basaltic andesite					Andesite					Basaltic andesite												
Samples	12-1	12-2	12-3	9-1	9-2	avg (n=5)	13-2	5-1	5-2	avg (n=3)	9-1	9-2	12-1	12-2	avg (n=4)	5-1	5-2	avg (n=2)	12-1	12-2	9-1	avg (n=3)	
SiO <sub>2</sub>	64.27	52.90	52.78	62.46	62.97	59.08	66.33	67.30	64.43	66.02	43.12	43.52	43.05	42.51	43.05	44.92	44.57	44.75	50.38	52.16	50.26	50.93	
TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.32	1.28	1.27	1.06	1.23	1.05	1.09	1.07	0.88	0.52	0.50	0.56	
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	20.60	25.09	24.43	20.93	21.05	22.42	22.39	21.11	21.14	21.55	12.14	13.23	12.32	14.14	12.96	10.78	11.19	10.99	3.86	1.41	4.60	3.29	
FeO <sup>T</sup>	0.00	0.29	0.31	0.00	0.03	0.13	0.00	0.10	0.02	0.04	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.04	0.02	0.07	0.09	0.08	0.16	0.11	0.33	0.20	
MgO	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9.98	9.31	14.95	11.67	11.48	13.73	15.14	14.44	9.03	7.81	6.34	7.73	
CaO	6.05	6.44	6.49	7.29	6.34	6.52	1.77	0.43	6.36	2.85	0.10	0.10	0.51	0.16	0.22	0.39	0.54	0.47	0.28	0.46	0.14	0.29	
Na <sub>2</sub> O	8.22	4.62	4.48	9.84	10.09	7.45	11.11	11.71	9.20	10.67	15.67	16.51	12.72	14.76	14.92	14.09	12.74	13.42	14.52	15.81	15.48	15.27	
K <sub>2</sub> O	0.01	0.12	0.12	0.01	0.00	0.05	0.00	0.07	0.01	0.03	11.06	11.90	11.14	11.64	11.44	11.26	11.22	11.24	21.16	21.78	22.79	21.91	
Sum	100.2	101.5	101.6	100.5	101.5	101.0	101.6	100.7	102.2	101.5	2.15	2.36	1.96	2.35	2.21	1.71	1.76	1.74	0.38	0.40	0.24	0.34	
Si	8.24	7.52	7.57	8.01	8.06	7.88	8.25	8.42	8.14	8.27	0.45	0.47	0.48	0.44	0.46	0.39	0.52	0.46	0.00	0.03	0.00	0.01	
Ti	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	96.0	98.7	98.4	98.8	98.0	98.4	98.9	98.6	100.4	100.5	100.8	100.5	
Al	3.11	4.20	4.13	3.16	3.17	3.56	3.28	3.11	3.15	3.18	6.21	6.11	6.19	6.02	6.13	6.40	6.39	6.39	1.88	1.93	1.85	1.89	
Fe <sup>2+</sup>	0.00	0.03	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.11	0.13	0.11	0.12	0.12	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.02	
Mg	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.79	1.89	1.81	1.98	1.87	1.60	1.61	1.61	0.12	0.06	0.15	0.11	
Ca	0.83	0.98	1.00	1.00	0.87	0.94	0.24	0.06	0.86	0.38	0.28	0.30	0.28	0.37	0.31	0.21	0.28	0.25	0.05	0.00	0.05	0.03	
Na	2.04	1.27	1.25	2.45	2.50	1.90	2.68	2.84	2.25	2.59	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.01	
K	0.00	0.02	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.08	0.09	0.60	0.25	0.25	0.45	0.75	0.60	0.18	0.13	0.08	0.13	
Sum ct.	14.23	14.03	14.00	14.63	14.61	14.30	14.45	14.45	14.41	14.44	1.13	1.01	1.19	1.13	1.11	1.18	1.07	1.12	0.10	0.11	0.11	0.11	
Ca+Na+K	2.88	2.28	2.26	3.45	3.37	2.85	2.92	2.91	3.12	2.98	0.01	0.01	0.06	0.02	0.03	0.05	0.07	0.06	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.01	
An	28.90	43.10	44.03	29.03	25.77	34.17	8.09	1.98	27.63	12.57	3.37	3.46	2.73	3.11	3.17	2.99	2.72	2.86	0.81	0.87	0.85	0.84	
Ab	71.05	55.95	55.00	70.92	74.23	65.43	91.91	97.63	72.32	87.29	1.71	1.79	1.72	1.76	1.74	1.72	1.72	1.72	0.84	0.86	0.90	0.87	
Or	0.06	0.96	0.97	0.05	0.00	0.41	0.00	0.38	0.05	0.15	0.60	0.64	0.55	0.64	0.61	0.47	0.49	0.48	0.03	0.03	0.02	0.02	
<b>structural formula on the basis of 32 oxygen atoms</b>																							
Sum ct.						15.39	15.52	15.35	15.49	15.44	15.26	15.31	15.28	Sum ct.						4.03	4.03	4.04	4.03
Mg#						0.98	0.98	0.82	0.93	0.92	0.87	0.78	0.83	Wo						42.95	42.78	45.78	43.84
P (kbar) <sup>a</sup>						6.45	7.10	6.58	7.94	7.02	5.19	5.59	5.39	En						41.02	43.21	43.28	42.50
P (kbar) <sup>b</sup>						6.87	7.59	7.01	8.54	7.50	5.45	5.90	5.68	Fs						14.63	12.58	10.07	12.43
P (kbar) <sup>c</sup>						6.80	7.41	6.93	8.21	7.34	5.61	5.99	5.80	Mg#						0.82	0.87	0.92	0.87
T (°C) <sup>d</sup>						915.3	943.8	933.0	944.6	934.2	903.5	900.4	902.0	<b>Structural formula on the basis of 6 oxygen atoms</b>									

FeO<sup>T</sup> is total iron as FeO, Mg# (mg-number)= 100xMgO/(MgO+FeO<sup>T</sup>), Sum ct– total cations, avg– average. <sup>a</sup>Hammstrom & Zen (1986), <sup>b</sup>Hollister *et al.* (1987) and <sup>c</sup>Schmidt (1992) formulations used to calculate pressures from hornblendes. <sup>d</sup>Blundy & Holland (1990) formulation used to calculate temperatures from hornblende-plagioclase pairs.



Some minerals are uralitized or replaced by calcite. Using the classification of Morimoto (1988), pyroxene is augite and minor diopside ( $Wo_{43-46}En_{41-43}Fs_{10-15}$ ) in composition. The Mg-number of the pyroxenes varies between 0.82 and 0.92 (Table 1). Biotite and quartz are found in dacitic rocks as euhedral to subhedral crystals. Some biotites phenocrysts may contain small plagioclase and opaque minerals (Figure 2c). Embayed quartz crystals are common (Figure 2d).

Crystallization conditions of the Torul volcanic rocks were calculated from minerals and/or mineral pairs. Based on Al-in-hornblende barometry (Hammastrom & Zen 1986; Anderson & Smith 1995; Hollister *et al.* 1987) and plagioclase-hornblende thermometry (Blundy & Holland 1990), the minerals crystallized at 900–945 °C under 5.2–8.5 kbar pressures (Table 1).

### K-Ar Age Dating

The K-Ar age determinations on the hornblende separates of three volcanic samples are presented in Table 2. The hornblendes samples yield ages of  $44.0 \pm 2.6$  Ma for the basaltic andesitic lava flow,  $40.4 \pm 2.5$  Ma for the andesitic lava flow and  $33.5 \pm 2.3$  Ma for the trachydacitic lava flow, corresponding to the middle to late Eocene.

### Whole-Rock Geochemistry

Major and trace element analyses, including REE, of the representative whole rock samples from the Torul volcanic rocks are given in Tables 3 & 4. All rocks display a narrow compositional range with  $SiO_2$  contents ranging from 54 to 64 wt% (Table 3). Mg-numbers range from 24 to 43. The MgO and  $Fe_2O_3^T$

contents range from 1.6% to 4.5% and from 4.8% to 8.1%, respectively. In the total alkali-silica diagram (TAS), the rocks plot mainly in the basaltic andesite, andesite, trachyandesite and trachydacite fields (Figure 3a). On a  $K_2O-SiO_2$  diagram (Peccerillo & Taylor 1976), the basaltic andesites and andesites belong to medium- to high-K series, whereas the trachyandesites and trachydacites fall in the high-K series field (Figure 3b).

On Harker diagrams (Figure 4), analyzed samples generally exhibit negative correlations between  $SiO_2$  and CaO, MgO,  $Fe_2O_3^T$ ,  $Al_2O_3$ ,  $P_2O_5$ ,  $TiO_2$  and Sr and positive correlations between  $SiO_2$  and  $K_2O$ ,  $Na_2O_3$ , Zr, Ba, Rb, Nb, Th (Figure 4a–n). Basaltic andesites have higher CaO,  $Fe_2O_3^T$ ,  $Al_2O_3$  and Sr, whereas trachydacites have higher  $K_2O$ , Zr, Rb, Nb and Th contents than andesites and trachydacites (Figure 4). Compared to the Kale (Gümüşhane) volcanics the Torul volcanics have higher  $K_2O$  and Ba and lower CaO,  $Fe_2O_3^T$ ,  $Al_2O_3$ ,  $TiO_2$  and Y concentrations (Figure 4a, c, e, f, h, j & o). For some major and trace elements, a noticeable variation in concentration exists as a function of geographic location.  $K_2O$ , Zr and Ba (Figure 4a, i & j) progressively increase from the southeast (Kale area) to the northwest (Torul area). In contrast, CaO, MgO,  $Fe_2O_3$ ,  $Al_2O_3$ ,  $TiO_2$  and Sr tend to decrease from southeast to northwest.

Primitive mantle-normalized spider diagrams are shown in Figure 5a. All rocks exhibit significant enrichment in large ion lithophile elements (LILE) (Ba, Th, and K) relative to some high field strength elements (HFSE, such as Nb, Ta, P and Ti) and prominent positive Pb anomalies. All volcanic rocks show moderately fractionated chondrite-normalized REE patterns, parallel to each other (Figure 5b), indicating a similar source(s) for basaltic andesites, andesites, trachyandesites, and trachydacites. The

**Table 2.** K-Ar analytical data for the Torul volcanic rocks.

Sample	Rock type	Mineral	Ages (Ma)	$\pm \sigma$	K (%)	$^{40}Ar$ rad (%)	$^{38}Ar$ ( $10^{-11}$ mol)	$^{40}Ar/^{38}Ar$	$\pm \sigma$	$^{36}Ar/^{38}Ar$	$\pm \sigma$	$^{40}Ar^*/^{40}K$	$\pm \sigma$
9	Bsa	hb	43.99	2.59	0.539	21.22	2.09E-11	0.555315	0.005142	0.001509	8.30E-07	0.002588	0.000154
13	And	hb	40.39	2.54	0.847	25.99	2.09E-11	0.638363	0.000769	0.001630	2.56E-05	0.002373	0.000151
4	Trd	hb	33.45	2.32	0.671	21.99	2.09E-11	0.503994	0.000288	0.001357	2.03E-05	0.001962	0.000137

$\lambda = 5.543 \times 10^{-10}$ /year,  $^{40}K/\Sigma K = 1.167 \times 10^{-4}$ , Bsa– basaltic andesite, And– andesite, Trd– trachydacite, hb– hornblende

**Table 3.** Whole-rock major (wt%) and trace (ppm) element analyses and CIPW norms of representative samples from the Torul volcanic rocks.

Rock Types Sample	Basaltic andesite			Andesite			Trachyandesite			Trachydacite		
	17	9	12	15	13	5	14	10	8	3	2	4
SiO <sub>2</sub>	54.16	54.73	55.35	57.20	57.25	60.10	56.85	57.87	58.88	61.84	63.65	61.96
TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.63	0.53	0.57	0.59	0.60	0.52	0.59	0.50	0.55	0.54	0.51	0.47
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	17.53	17.17	16.44	14.96	16.51	14.61	16.04	16.90	15.84	16.03	15.63	16.52
Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> <sup>T</sup>	8.10	6.88	6.90	7.30	5.86	6.10	6.69	6.09	6.53	5.54	5.11	4.76
MnO	0.15	0.13	0.13	0.14	0.10	0.08	0.09	0.30	0.11	0.08	0.09	0.07
MgO	4.04	3.86	3.79	4.45	4.48	3.86	3.11	2.92	3.21	1.80	1.59	1.66
CaO	8.64	8.07	8.25	7.51	6.53	6.63	6.52	4.99	5.22	3.27	3.26	4.22
Na <sub>2</sub> O	3.02	2.97	2.61	3.02	3.85	2.83	3.30	3.72	3.02	4.96	3.72	3.42
K <sub>2</sub> O	0.59	1.69	1.51	2.29	1.55	2.85	3.59	3.42	3.44	4.07	4.35	4.35
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.23	0.17	0.22	0.22	0.21	0.22	0.19	0.14	0.18	0.19	0.18	0.14
LOI	2.70	3.50	3.90	2.10	2.80	1.90	2.80	2.90	2.70	1.50	1.70	2.20
Total	99.79	99.70	99.67	99.78	99.74	99.70	99.77	99.75	99.68	99.82	99.79	99.77
Ga	13.10	15.50	14.90	13.10	14.50	12.90	12.70	14.50	14.10	14.50	13.60	14.10
Ni	6.60	6.10	5.60	13.50	7.00	16.00	9.00	6.20	5.90	7.90	7.70	6.40
V	190.00	170.00	178.00	185.00	176.00	151.00	168.00	154.00	158.00	153.00	136.00	123.00
Cu	63.80	58.90	168.80	23.80	40.70	15.80	26.60	20.40	42.60	25.50	24.90	53.00
Pb	3.50	13.50	10.80	9.10	12.00	11.10	12.40	11.40	11.50	13.80	11.60	11.20
Zn	30.00	40.00	43.00	58.00	42.00	39.00	74.00	43.00	52.00	40.00	36.00	36.00
W	0.50	0.50	0.60	0.60	0.70	0.70	0.90	3.00	0.50	1.20	1.00	1.20
Rb	31.70	49.20	25.30	62.70	57.30	32.78	72.90	26.20	76.10	97.90	101.90	92.70
Ba	407.00	676.00	755.00	625.00	654.00	1138.00	730.00	1382.00	1262.00	841.00	920.00	961.00
Sr	782.40	814.10	927.80	436.60	480.20	462.40	458.00	641.30	703.80	386.90	325.50	588.90
Ta	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.20	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.40	0.30
Nb	2.40	3.90	4.40	2.20	4.30	4.30	4.20	4.30	4.40	5.00	5.10	5.40
Hf	1.70	2.60	3.20	1.40	2.20	2.40	2.40	2.70	2.50	3.60	3.30	3.30
Zr	64.40	76.20	96.90	58.60	86.50	82.30	90.80	96.60	98.40	121.40	113.90	122.40
Y	14.30	12.90	14.10	11.80	13.40	11.10	13.30	10.70	13.50	17.00	17.50	14.20
Th	2.90	7.50	8.00	5.00	7.10	6.80	6.80	9.10	7.60	8.80	8.60	10.10
U	1.20	2.30	2.80	1.00	2.40	2.10	1.70	2.50	2.60	2.60	2.80	2.50
Q	12.27	10.57	13.91	12.01	10.47	16.03	8.53	9.37	13.70	9.37	16.84	14.87
Or	3.49	9.99	8.92	13.53	9.16	16.84	21.22	20.21	20.33	24.05	25.71	25.71
Ab	25.55	25.13	22.09	25.55	32.58	23.95	27.92	31.48	25.55	41.97	31.48	28.94
An	32.53	28.53	28.68	20.50	23.19	18.74	18.35	19.31	19.50	9.45	13.10	16.88
Di	5.88	7.38	7.61	10.96	5.00	9.06	8.82	3.42	3.27	3.31	0.59	1.69
Hy	7.34	6.20	5.91	6.00	8.84	5.42	3.66	5.69	6.48	2.95	3.69	3.35
Ol	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
He	8.10	6.88	6.90	7.30	5.86	6.10	6.69	6.09	6.53	5.54	5.11	4.76
Il	0.32	0.28	0.28	0.30	0.21	0.17	0.19	0.64	0.24	0.17	0.19	0.15
Ap	0.53	0.39	0.51	0.51	0.49	0.51	0.44	0.32	0.42	0.44	0.42	0.32
Zr	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.03	0.03	0.03
Sph	1.13	0.94	1.04	1.06	1.20	1.05	1.20	0.40	1.05	1.10	1.00	0.96
Mg#	33.28	35.94	35.45	37.87	43.33	38.76	31.73	32.41	32.96	24.52	23.73	25.86
K/Na	0.20	0.57	0.58	0.76	0.40	1.01	1.09	0.92	1.14	0.82	1.17	1.27
Ba/La	39.13	32.04	36.65	45.62	35.16	63.58	46.50	70.51	62.17	39.12	44.66	41.78
Ba/Nb	169.58	173.33	171.59	284.09	152.09	264.65	173.81	321.40	286.82	168.20	180.39	177.96
Ce/Pb	5.97	2.70	3.53	2.92	2.96	2.80	2.43	2.89	3.36	2.87	3.38	3.65
La/Yb	5.78	13.53	13.73	9.07	12.48	12.97	10.06	13.33	13.62	9.39	9.58	13.07
Nb/La	0.23	0.18	0.21	0.16	0.23	0.24	0.27	0.22	0.22	0.23	0.25	0.23
Nb/Y	0.17	0.30	0.31	0.19	0.32	0.39	0.32	0.40	0.33	0.29	0.29	0.38
Sr/Y	54.71	63.11	65.80	37.00	35.84	41.66	34.44	59.93	52.13	22.76	18.60	41.47
Zr/Nb	26.83	19.54	22.02	26.64	20.12	19.14	21.62	22.47	22.36	24.28	22.33	22.67

Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>T</sup> is total iron as Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, LOI is loss on ignition, Mg# (mg-number)= 100xMgO/(MgO+ Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>T</sup>), K/Na= K<sub>2</sub>O/Na<sub>2</sub>O

Coordinates of samples:

2: 00522351E-04486301N; 3: 00522466E-04486273N; 4: 00523952E-04486391N; 5: 00524105E-04486730N; 8: 00529482E-04485734N; 9: 00531318E-0794870N; 10: 00531768E-04481583N; 12: 00530930E-04484034N; 13: 00530587E-04485050N; 14: 00536322E-04483881N; 15: 00539386E-04480519N; 17: 00539550E-04479651N

**Table 4.** Rare earth elements analyses (ppm) from the Torul volcanic rocks.

Rock Types Sample	Basaltic andesite			Andesite			Trachyandesite			Trachydacite		
	17	9	12	15	13	5	14	10	8	4	3	2
La	10.40	21.10	20.60	13.70	18.60	17.90	15.70	19.60	20.30	23.00	21.50	20.60
Ce	20.90	36.40	38.10	26.60	35.50	31.10	30.10	33.00	38.60	40.90	39.60	39.20
Pr	2.81	4.38	4.66	3.49	4.43	4.00	3.92	4.11	4.65	4.97	5.21	4.87
Nd	12.40	17.10	18.70	14.50	20.30	12.16	16.90	15.97	19.20	18.30	20.70	19.80
Sm	2.94	3.24	3.82	3.41	3.84	2.88	3.41	3.18	3.39	3.38	3.85	3.53
Eu	0.88	1.00	1.13	1.02	1.16	0.95	0.96	0.97	1.08	0.94	1.08	0.95
Gd	2.80	3.27	3.60	3.47	3.46	2.70	3.01	2.80	3.19	3.11	3.59	3.56
Tb	0.38	0.37	0.43	0.39	0.42	0.32	0.39	0.35	0.40	0.39	0.50	0.41
Dy	3.04	2.72	2.79	3.02	2.81	2.20	3.06	2.31	2.59	2.62	3.06	2.88
Ho	0.51	0.45	0.47	0.45	0.52	0.45	0.50	0.44	0.49	0.51	0.62	0.55
Er	1.70	1.44	1.51	1.39	1.50	1.22	1.69	1.38	1.60	1.51	2.03	2.02
Tm	0.25	0.21	0.23	0.22	0.23	0.19	0.24	0.21	0.23	0.25	0.35	0.30
Yb	1.80	1.56	1.50	1.51	1.49	1.38	1.56	1.47	1.49	1.76	2.29	2.15
Lu	0.27	0.23	0.25	0.19	0.22	0.19	0.24	0.21	0.22	0.25	0.38	0.31
(La/Lu) <sub>cn</sub>	3.99	9.50	8.53	7.47	8.75	9.75	6.77	9.66	9.55	9.53	5.86	6.88
(La/Sm) <sub>cn</sub>	2.23	4.10	3.39	2.53	3.05	3.91	2.90	3.87	3.77	4.28	3.51	3.67
(Gd/Lu) <sub>cn</sub>	1.29	1.77	1.79	2.27	1.95	1.76	1.56	1.66	1.80	1.54	1.17	1.43
(La/Yb) <sub>cn</sub>	3.90	9.14	9.28	6.13	8.44	8.77	6.80	9.01	9.21	8.83	6.34	6.47
(Tb/Yb) <sub>cn</sub>	0.90	1.01	1.23	1.10	1.21	0.99	1.07	1.02	1.15	0.95	0.93	0.82
Eu <sub>N</sub> /Eu*	0.92	0.93	0.92	0.90	0.95	1.03	0.90	0.97	0.99	0.87	0.87	0.81

Eu\*=(Sm+Gd)<sub>cn</sub>/2

(La<sub>N</sub>/Lu<sub>N</sub>) ratios vary between 4 and 10 in the basaltic andesites, and between 6 and 10 in the trachydacites (Table 4). The basaltic andesites show weak negative Eu-anomalies (Eu<sub>N</sub>/Eu\* = 0.92–0.93). The slight increase of the negative Eu-anomaly from these rocks towards the trachydacites (Eu<sub>N</sub>/Eu\* = 0.81–0.87) indicates a genetic link between the mafic and felsic rock types. As seen from Figure 5, the Torul volcanics are somewhat similar to the Kale lavas (Arslan & Aliyazıcıoğlu 2001) in the chondrite-normalized REE and trace element concentration diagrams, with the Torul volcanics more enriched in LILE and LREE than the Kale volcanics.

### Sr and Nd Isotope Geochemistry

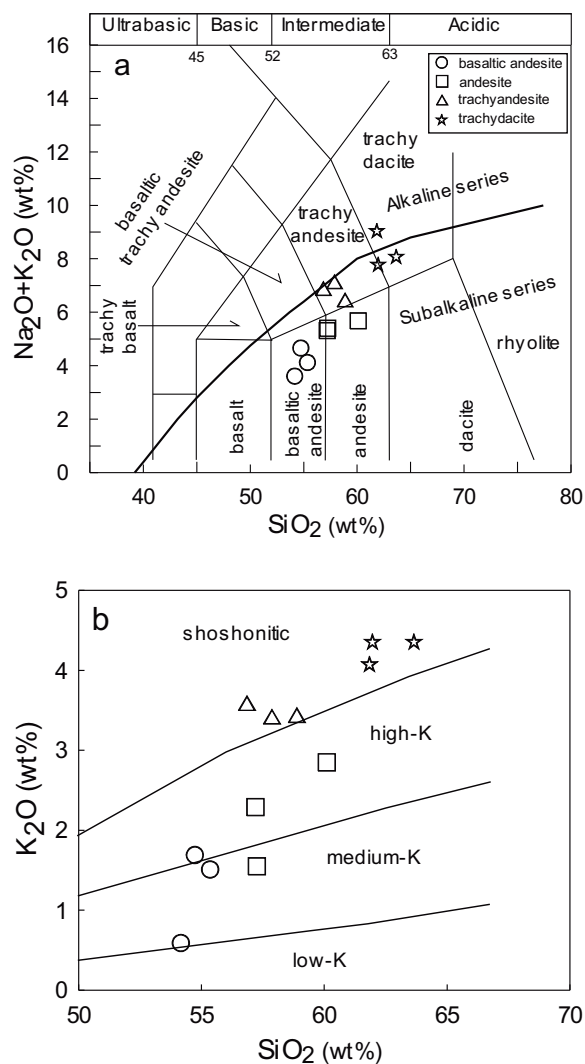
Sr and Nd isotope compositions of the Torul volcanic rocks are listed in Table 5. Initial <sup>87</sup>Sr/<sup>86</sup>Sr and <sup>143</sup>Nd/<sup>144</sup>Nd ratios were calculated using an age of 43 Ma based on the results of K-Ar dating. The Torul volcanics display relatively homogeneous isotopic compositions. All samples show a small range of Sr-Nd isotope ratios (initial <sup>87</sup>Sr/<sup>86</sup>Sr ratios from 0.70457 to 0.70511 and <sup>143</sup>Nd/<sup>144</sup>Nd ratios from 0.51264 to 0.51278). For the most primitive basaltic andesite

samples, <sup>87</sup>Sr/<sup>86</sup>Sr<sub>(i)</sub> ratios range from 0.70457 to 0.70501 and <sup>143</sup>Nd/<sup>144</sup>Nd<sub>(i)</sub> ratios range from 0.51264 to 0.51278; for the most evolved trachydacitic samples, <sup>87</sup>Sr/<sup>86</sup>Sr<sub>(i)</sub> ratios are 0.70511 and <sup>143</sup>Nd/<sup>144</sup>Nd<sub>(i)</sub> ratios are 0.51269. In the Sr and Nd isotope correlation diagram (Figure 6), the Torul volcanics are placed on the mantle array in between the depleted and the enriched quadrants. For comparison, samples from other Tertiary to Quaternary calc-alkaline volcanic suites of eastern Anatolia, central Anatolia and eastern Pontides are also plotted in Figure 6. The Torul volcanic rocks have higher <sup>87</sup>Sr/<sup>86</sup>Sr<sub>(i)</sub> ratios than the eastern Anatolian calc-alkaline volcanic rocks and lower <sup>87</sup>Sr/<sup>86</sup>Sr<sub>(i)</sub> ratios than central Anatolian calc-alkaline volcanic rocks (Figure 6).

### Discussion

#### Petrogenetic Consideration

The geochemical features of the Torul volcanics (depletion of Nb, Zr and Ta, enrichment of Sr, K, Rb and Ba, and high Ba/La ratios) are typical of subduction zone volcanic rocks (cf. Thompson *et al.* 1984; White & Patchett 1984; Elburg *et al.* 2002). The



**Figure 3.** (a) Chemical classification diagram (Le Maitre *et al.* 2002); alkaline-subalkaline dividing line is from Irvine & Baragar (1971); (b)  $K_2O$  vs  $SiO_2$  diagram of the Torul volcanic rocks with field boundaries between medium-K, high-K and shoshonitic series after Peccerillo & Taylor (1976).

most basic samples (basaltic andesite) have low MgO and Ni contents, suggesting that they do not represent primary magma compositions. The basaltic and andesitic rocks, similar to orogenic andesites, have higher Ba/La (32.0–70.5) and lower Nb/La (0.16–0.27) ratios compared to MORB, OIB, and intra-plate basalts (Sun & McDonough 1989), indicating a different origin and geodynamic evolution. The geochemical, Sr and Nd isotopic

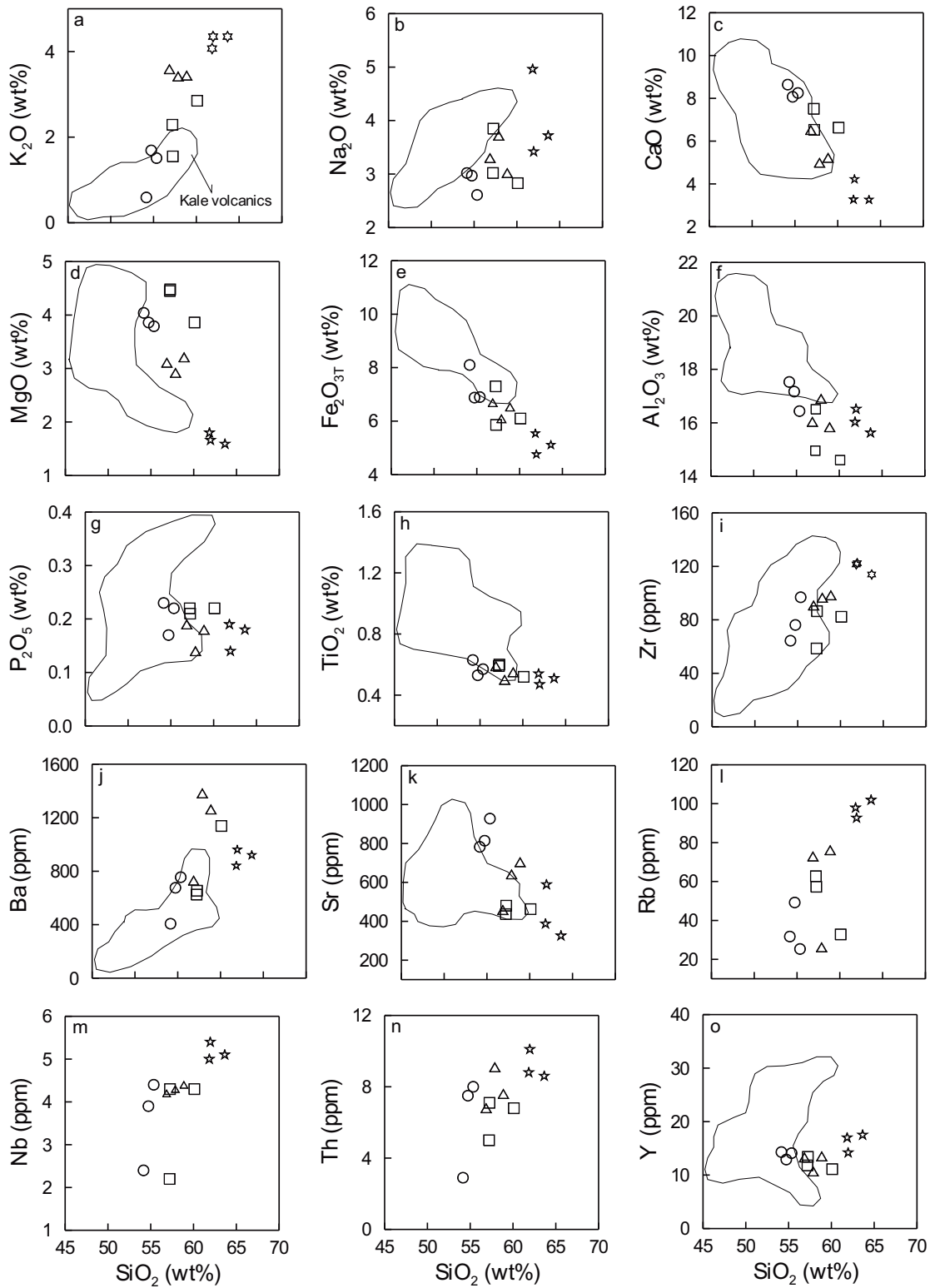
compositions of the Torul volcanic rocks provide constraints on the evolution processes of the parental magma and the nature of the mantle source. These processes will be discussed in the following sections.

#### Fractional Crystallization

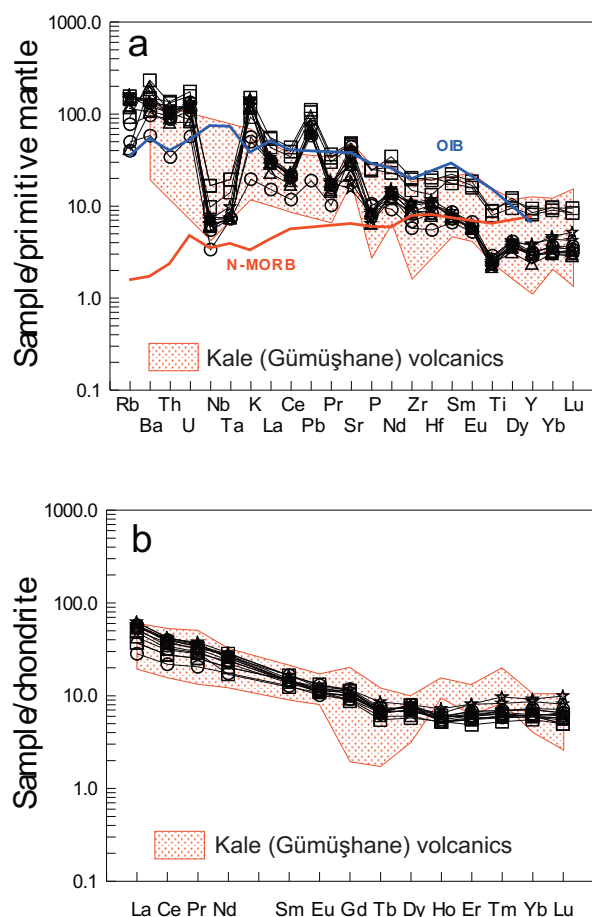
The Torul volcanic rocks have similar petrographical and geochemical features, and define a typical K-rich calc-alkaline trend from basaltic andesites to trachydacites. Major and trace element abundances vary along continuous trends of decreasing MgO, CaO,  $TiO_2$ ,  $Fe_2O_3^T$  and Sr, and increasing  $K_2O$ , Rb, Zr, Nb and Th with increasing  $SiO_2$  (Figure 4). Normalized REE patterns of the Torul volcanics are parallel to each other and total REE contents increase from basaltic andesite to trachydacite (Figure 5b). The increases in  $SiO_2$ ,  $K_2O$ , Rb, Ba and decreases in  $TiO_2$ ,  $P_2O_5$ , CaO, MgO,  $Fe_2O_3^T$ , and  $Al_2O_3$  contents shown in the basaltic andesites and trachydacites are compatible with their evolution by fractional crystallization (Figure 4). Decrease in  $P_2O_5$  may result from removal of apatite during fractional crystallization. The negative Eu anomalies and the decrease in Sr with increase in silica, all assert that plagioclase was an important fractionating phase. The increases in  $K_2O$  and Rb with increasing silica content indicate that K-feldspar and biotite were not among the early phases of fractionation. Additionally, the downward-concave shape of the REE pattern suggests a significant role of clinopyroxene and hornblende fractionation in the evolution of the rocks, as also confirmed by petrography (Figure 5b).

The fractionation crystallization model has been tested by a Y versus Rb plot (Pearce *et al.* 1990; Figure 7a), using Rb as a fractionation index, since Rb has a positive correlation with increasing silica content throughout the fractionation process. The Y content of the samples exhibits a near-constant to positive correlation with increasing Rb contents, which can be explained by plagioclase and clinopyroxene fractionation (Figure 7a).

For calc-alkaline volcanic suites, Lambert & Holland (1974) used a CaO versus Y diagram to define J- and L-type trends, which lead to depletion and enrichment in Y relative to a calc-alkaline series

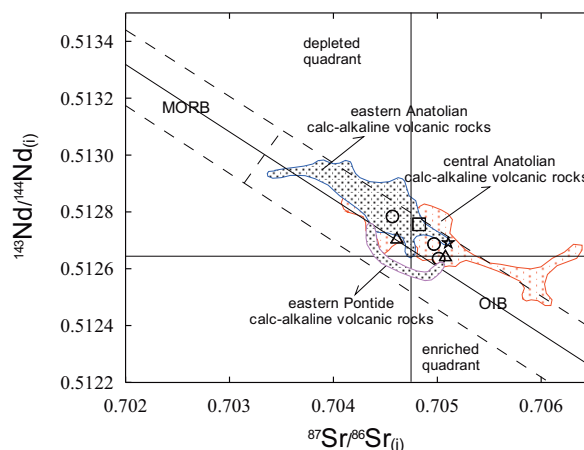


**Figure 4.** (a–o) SiO<sub>2</sub> (wt%) versus major oxides (wt %) and trace elements (ppm) variation diagrams for samples from the Torul volcanic rocks. Fields for the Kale (Gümüşhane) volcanics (Arslan & Aliyazıcıoğlu 2001) in the eastern Pontides collision-related volcanic province are plotted for comparison. For symbols, see Figure 3.



**Figure 5.** (a) Primitive mantle normalized trace element patterns (normalizing values from Sun & McDonough 1989); (b) chondrite normalized rare earth element patterns (normalizing values from Taylor & McLennan 1985) for samples from the Torul volcanic rocks. Fields for the Kale (Gümüşhane) volcanics (Arslan & Aliyazıcıoğlu 2001) in the eastern Pontides collision-related volcanic province are plotted for comparison. N-MORB is from Saunders & Tarney (1984), OIB is from Sun & McDonough (1989). For symbols, see Figure 3.

standard, respectively. The J- and L-type trends have been termed hornblende ( $\pm$  garnet) and pyroxene controlled differentiation trends, respectively, as these minerals can be critical in determining the trend direction. In the Y versus CaO plot (Figure 7b), nearly all rocks plot on the Y enrichment side (high-Y content) of the standard calc-alkaline trend, defining an L-type trend. This trend suggests that pyroxene and plagioclase played an important role in the evolution of the studied volcanics.



**Figure 6.**  $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}_{(i)}$  vs.  $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}_{(i)}$  diagram from the Torul volcanic rocks. Also plotted for comparison are the samples from other Tertiary to Quaternary calc-alkaline volcanic rocks of Turkey, including the eastern Anatolian calc-alkaline volcanic rocks (Pearce *et al.* 1990; Buket & Temel 1998; Keskin *et al.* 2006; Kaygusuz 2009), the central Anatolian calc-alkaline volcanic rocks (Deniel *et al.* 1998; Temel *et al.* 1998; Yalçın *et al.* 1998; Şen *et al.* 2004; Varol *et al.* 2007; Kurt *et al.* 2008), and the eastern Pontide calc-alkaline volcanic rocks (Temizel 2008). MORB– mid-ocean ridge basalts; OIB– ocean island basalts. For symbols, see Figure 3.

#### Crustal Assimilation

Many studies on arc magmatism attest to the importance of crustal assimilation, which leads to modification of the trace element and isotopic composition of mantle-derived arc magmas (i.e. Ellam & Harmon 1990; Thirlwall *et al.* 1996; Hochstaedter *et al.* 2000; McDermott *et al.* 2005; Zellmer *et al.* 2005). Temizel & Arslan (2003, 2005) argued for contamination of the primary melt by arc crust as an important feature in Tertiary lavas of the eastern Pontides. However, Arslan *et al.* (2007a) and Temizel (2008) found minor evidence for assimilation and fractional crystallization (AFC) processes in Tertiary volcanics of the southern Pontide zone and suggested that the composition of these rocks was mainly modified by fractional crystallization rather than AFC. The Torul volcanic rocks were erupted through a thickened arc crust making them more susceptible to modification by crustal assimilation. The continental crust has highly fractionated and enriched LREE, flat HREE, and a positive Pb anomaly but negative Nb-Ta anomalies

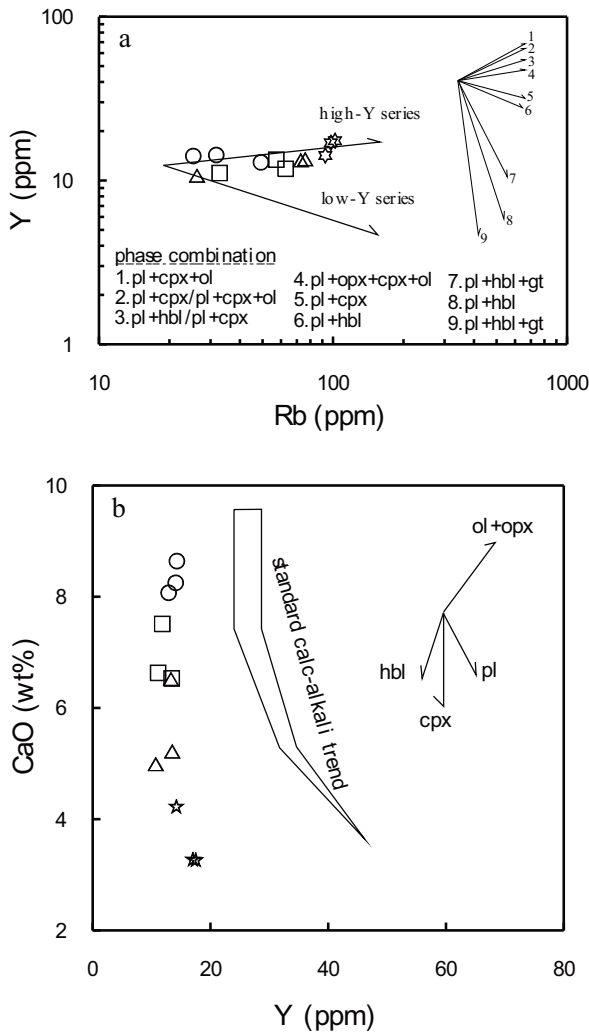
**Table 5.** Sr and Nd isotope data from the Torul volcanic rocks.

Sample	Rb (ppm)	Sr (ppm)	<sup>87</sup> Rb/ <sup>86</sup> Sr	<sup>87</sup> Sr/ <sup>86</sup> Sr	(2σ)	( <sup>87</sup> Sr/ <sup>86</sup> Sr) <sub>JAMA</sub>	Sm (ppm)	Nd (ppm)	<sup>147</sup> Sm/ <sup>144</sup> Nd	<sup>143</sup> Nd/ <sup>144</sup> Nd	(2σ)	( <sup>143</sup> Nd/ <sup>144</sup> Nd) <sub>JAMA</sub>	εNd(t) <sup>a</sup>	εNd(0) <sup>b</sup>	T <sub>DM</sub> <sup>b</sup> (Ga)	T <sub>DM</sub> <sup>c</sup> (Ga)
Basaltic andesite																
17	31.7	782	0.11750	0.704640	8	0.70457	2.94	12.40	0.14334	0.512824	7	0.51278	3.92	3.63	0.66	0.53
9	49.2	814	0.17526	0.705075	8	0.70497	3.24	17.10	0.11455	0.512719	6	0.51269	2.03	1.58	0.63	0.69
12	25.3	927	0.07908	0.705061	9	0.70501	3.82	18.70	0.12350	0.512670	8	0.51264	1.03	0.62	0.77	0.77
Andesite																
5	32.8	462	0.20558	0.704951	7	0.70483	2.88	12.16	0.14306	0.512796	7	0.51276	3.38	3.09	0.71	0.58
Trachyandesite																
8	76.1	703	0.31357	0.705270	8	0.70508	3.39	19.20	0.10674	0.512677	7	0.51265	1.25	0.76	0.64	0.75
10	26.2	641	0.11848	0.704683	7	0.70461	3.18	15.97	0.12052	0.512743	7	0.51271	2.47	2.05	0.63	0.65
Trachydacite																
4	92.70	588.90	0.45650	0.705384	9	0.70511	3.38	18.30	0.11166	0.512722	6	0.51269	2.11	1.64	0.61	0.68

<sup>a</sup>εNd(t) and εNd(0) values are calculated based on present-day <sup>147</sup>Sm/<sup>144</sup>Nd= 0.1967 and <sup>143</sup>Nd/<sup>144</sup>Nd= 0.512638

<sup>b</sup>Single stage model age (T<sub>DM</sub><sup>b</sup>), calculated with depleted mantle present-day parameters <sup>147</sup>Sm/<sup>144</sup>Nd= 0.513151 and <sup>143</sup>Nd/<sup>144</sup>Nd= 0.219

<sup>c</sup>Two-stage model age (T<sub>DM</sub><sup>c</sup>), according to Liew & Hoffman (1988)



**Figure 7.** (a) Rb vs Y diagram showing crystallization of the phase combinations between the plagioclase-olivine-pyroxene-magnetite dominated fractionation trends and plagioclase-amphibole dominated fractionation trend (Pearce *et al.* 1990); (b) Y vs CaO diagram, compared with the standard calc-alkaline trend of Lambert & Holland (1974) from the Torul volcanic rocks. For symbols, see Figure 3.

(Taylor & McLennan 1985). The Torul volcanic rocks are characterized by pronounced negative Nb–Ta and positive Pb anomalies (Figure 5a), recording a subduction signature and possible minor crustal contribution in their evolution.

In Figure 8, the  $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}_{(i)}$  and  $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}_{(i)}$  ratios are plotted against  $\text{SiO}_2$ , MgO, Rb/Sr, Th, Sr, Sm/Nd and Nd to evaluate the role of fractional crystallization (FC) or AFC processes. Positive or

negative trends indicate that the magmas were affected by AFC processes, whereas nearly constant trends indicate significant fractional crystallization.  $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}_{(i)}$  contents of the Torul samples vs  $\text{SiO}_2$ , Rb/Sr, Sr, and  $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}_{(i)}$  contents vs  $\text{SiO}_2$  and MgO exhibit near-constant trends.  $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}_{(i)}$  and  $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}_{(i)}$  contents show some positive correlation with Th, Sm/Nd, but a negative correlation appears for  $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}_{(i)}$  vs MgO and for  $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}_{(i)}$  vs Nd. All of these trends indicate that the calc-alkaline rocks in the Torul area were generated from similar subduction-induced sources and fractional crystallization rather than AFC mainly controls the compositional differences, which is consistent with the finding of Arslan *et al.* (2007a) and Temizel (2008).

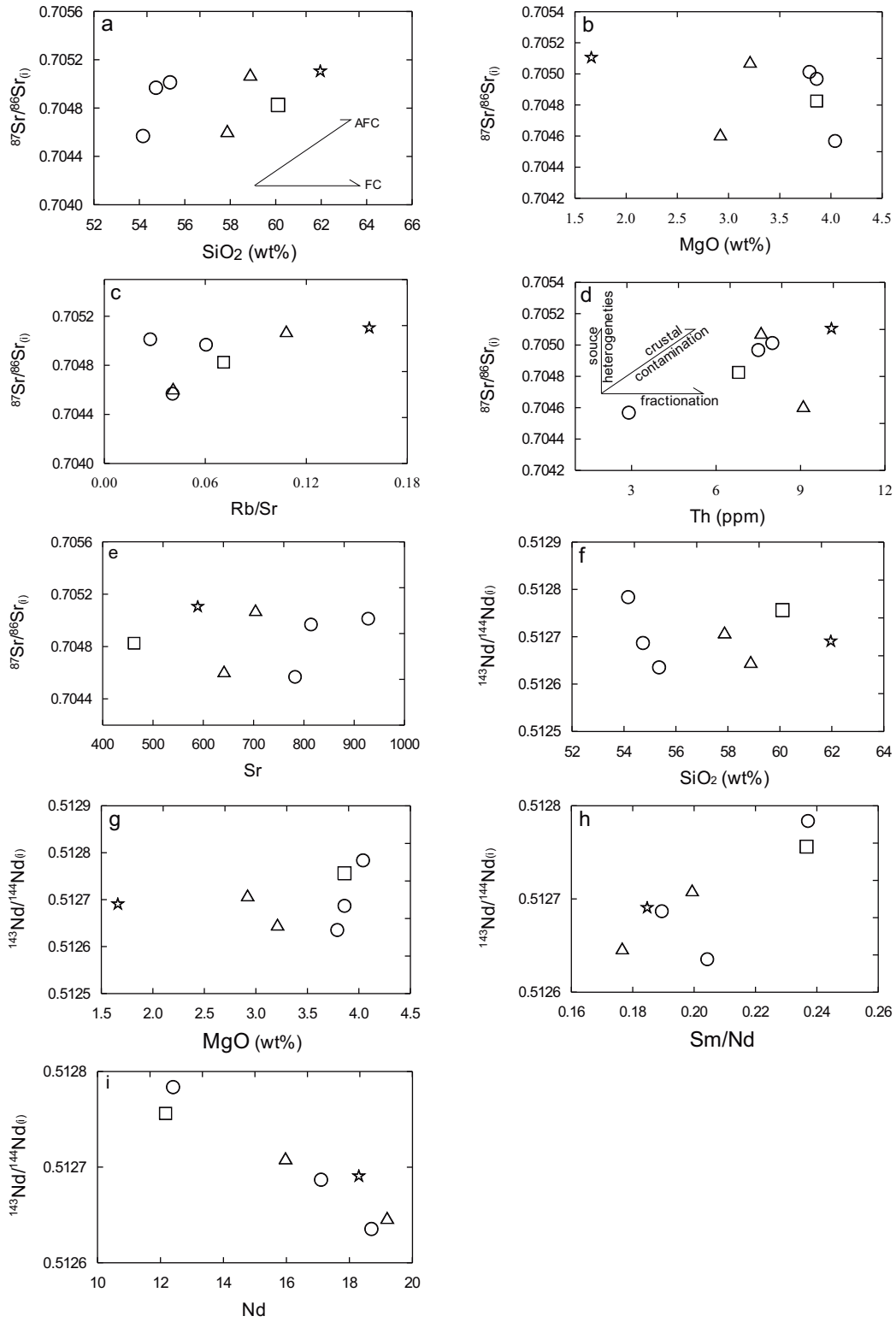
#### Source Characteristics

The overall enrichments in LILE and LREE and the negative Nb-Ta-Ti anomalies are features of subduction-related magmas and are commonly attributed to a mantle source that was modified by metasomatic fluids derived from the subducted slab or sediments (e.g., Pearce 1983; Hawkesworth *et al.* 1997; Elburg *et al.* 2002). We suggest that the trace element characteristics of the Torul volcanics originate from melting of enriched subcontinental mantle, modified by earlier (pre-Eocene) subduction processes.

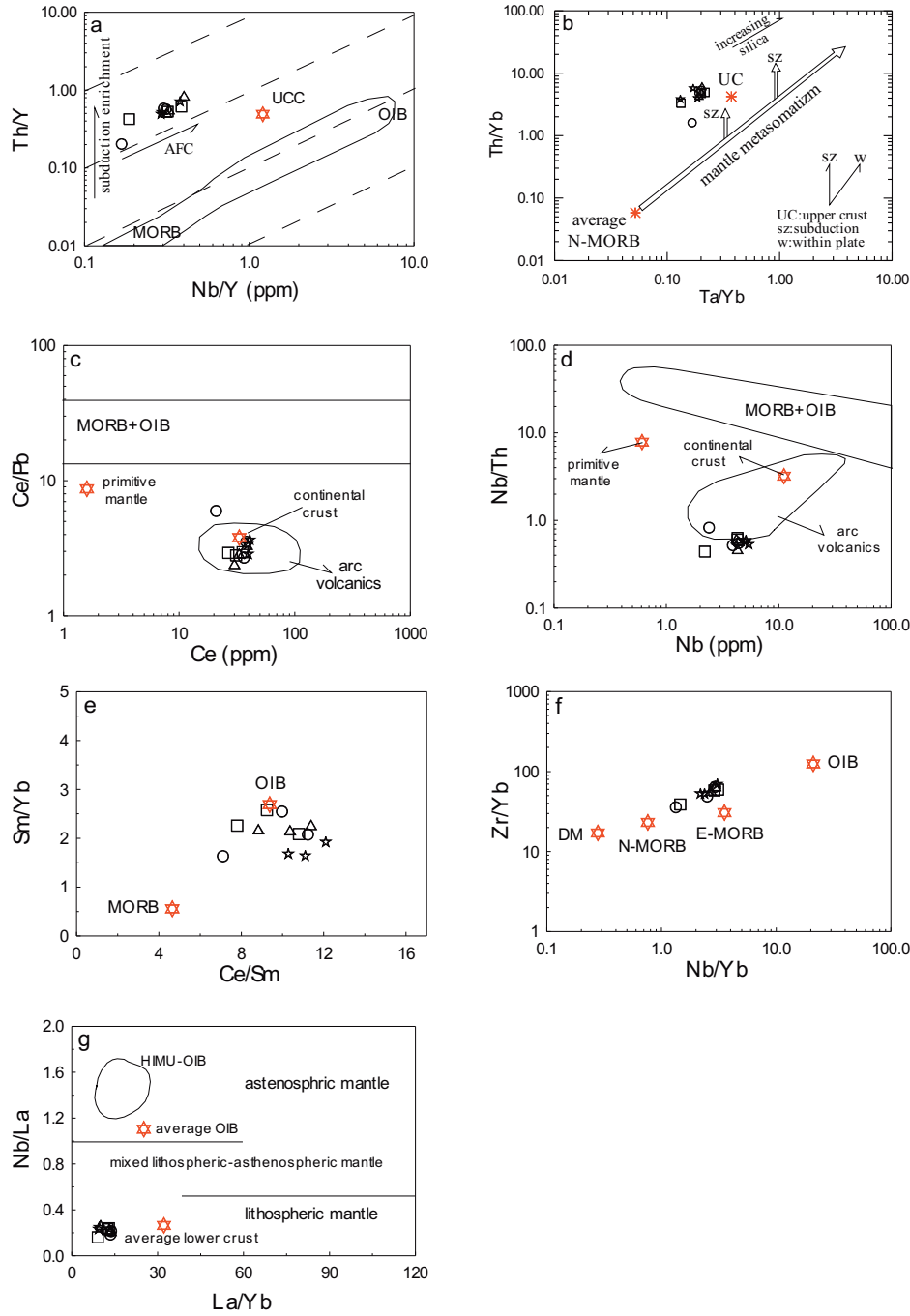
The Torul volcanics show relatively high and flat HREE patterns (Figure 5b), pointing to the absence of garnet in the mantle source region. Instead, the patterns are consistent with the presence of spinel in the mantle source. The depletion in Nb, Ta and Ti can be explained by their retention in Ti-rich residual mineral phases (Foley & Wheller 1990; Pearce & Parkinson 1993). The negative P and Zr anomalies in the primitive mantle-normalized diagrams (Figure 5a) could reflect the presence of residual apatite and zircon in the mantle source region (Guo *et al.* 2006) or fractionation of these mineral phases during later petrogenetic processes. Furthermore, the relative HFSE depletion with respect to LILE may also be explained with a mantle source modified by subduction-related fluids, and thus LILE enriched. This may explain Nb, Ta, Ti and Zr depletion in the studied volcanics.

A Th/Y–Nb/Y plot (Figure 9a) may provide some useful constraints concerning potential source components involved in the petrogenesis of the





**Figure 8.** (a-i) Variation diagrams of  $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}_{(i)}$  and  $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}_{(i)}$  vs.  $\text{SiO}_2$ , MgO, Rb/Sr, Th, Sr, Sm/Nd and Nd from the Torul volcanic rocks. For symbols, see Figure 3.



**Figure 9.** (a) Th/Y vs Nb/Y (Pearce 1983); (b) Th/Yb vs Ta/Yb; (c) Ce/Pb vs Ce; (d) Nb/Th vs Nb; (e) Sm/Yb vs Ce/Sm (Pearce 1982); (f) Zr/Yb vs Nb/Yb (Pearce & Peate 1995); (g) Nb/La vs La/Yb plots of the rock samples from the Torul volcanic rocks. Compositions of the upper crusts after Taylor & McLennan (1985) in (a). Primitive mantle after Hoffmann (1988) in (c); compositions of continental crust, mid-ocean ridge basalts (MORB), ocean-island basalts (OIB) and arc volcanics after Schmidberger & Hegner (1999) in (c) & (d). The compositions of MORB and OIB after Harms *et al.* (1997) in (e). The DM (depleted mantle), N-MORB, E-MORB, OIB compositions after Sun & McDonough (1989) in (f). Average OIB is after Fitton *et al.* (1991) and average lower crust is after Chen & Arculus (1995) in (g). Dashed lines separating fields of the asthenospheric, lithospheric and mixed mantle are plotted based on data given in Smith *et al.* (1999) in (g). The HIMU-OIB area is reported in Weaver *et al.* (1987) in (g). For symbols, see Figure 3.

magmas (Wilson *et al.* 1997). The Torul volcanics define a coherent trend, with a Th/Nb ratio close to 0.1, which may be attributed to the combined effects of fractional crystallization and crustal assimilation. The displacement of this data array to higher Th/Y ratios compared to MORB and OIB is strongly indicative of metasomatism of the mantle source by subduction zone fluids carrying the trace element signature of a crustal component. The Th/Yb vs Ta/Yb (Pearce *et al.* 1990, Figure 9b) diagram may be used to display source variation and crustal contamination. In this diagram, the Torul volcanic rocks form a trend sub-parallel to the mantle array but shifted to higher Th/Yb ratios. This suggests melt derivation from a source, which had been previously enriched (or metasomatized) by fluids derived from an earlier (i.e. pre-Eocene) subduction processes (e.g., Arslan *et al.* 2007a; Temizel & Arslan 2008).

The source characteristics of the Torul volcanic rocks can be better investigated using specific trace element diagrams (Figure 9c–f). In the Ce/Pb vs Ce and Nb/Th vs Nb diagrams (Figure 9c, d) all samples plot in the arc volcanic subfield. The average low Ce/Pb ratios (~5) of the most primitive samples differ considerably from those of oceanic basalts (~25; Hoffmann 1988), suggesting that these rocks are not derived from normal asthenospheric mantle. The Sm/Yb vs Ce/Sm diagram (Figure 9e) indicates an apparent OIB-like enriched mantle composition rather than a depleted MORB-like composition for almost all samples. In the Nb/Yb vs Zr/Yb diagram (Figure 9f), samples plot within the general MORB-OIB trend.

Bradshaw & Smith (1994) and Smith *et al.* (1999) suggested that, since HFSE (such as Nb and Ta) are depleted in the lithospheric mantle relative to the LREE, high Nb/La ratios (~>1) indicate an OIB like asthenospheric mantle source for basaltic magmas, and lower ratios (~<0.5) indicate a lithospheric mantle source. The Nb/La (0.18–0.23) and La/Yb (5.8–13.7) ratios of the most basic samples in the Torul area suggest a lithospheric mantle source (Figure 9g). However, low Nb/La ratios can derive from a lithospheric source, but also from a La-enrichment in the source, given the metasomatization of mantle source by subduction fluids (evident on diagrams 9a and 9b), and given

that La mobility in fluids is notably higher than Nb mobility. Therefore, we suggest that low La/Nb ratios in Torul volcanics are here due to fluid-driven La enrichment in the mantle source, modified by slab-released fluids.

Sr and Nd isotope ratios for the Torul volcanics define a narrow field between bulk earth composition and depleted mantle (Figure 6, Table 5). Isotope ratios are very close to those of eastern Pontide calc-alkaline volcanics (Arslan *et al.* 2007; Temizel 2008). Furthermore, similar  $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$  and  $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$  isotope compositions support the genetic link between the mafic and more felsic rocks of the Torul volcanic suite via fractional crystallization (Figures 6 & 8).

### Geodynamic Implications

The eastern Pontides constitute a Upper Mesozoic–Early Tertiary east–west-trending magmatic belt (Figure 1). This belt is interpreted as an island arc developed in response to the subduction of the Neo-Tethyan oceanic crust beneath the Eurasian plate (Yılmaz *et al.* 1997; Okay & Şahintürk 1997). Closure of the Neo-Tethyan Ocean caused a collision between the Pontide arc and the Tauride-Anatolide platform. Both the onset of subduction and the timing of collision between the Pontides and the Anatolide-Tauride platform is a matter of debate (e.g., Tokel 1977; Akın 1978; Robinson *et al.* 1995; Okay & Şahintürk 1997; Boztuğ *et al.* 2004). Subduction under the eastern Pontides is argued to have started either during the Jurassic (Adamia *et al.* 1977; Kazmin *et al.* 1986), or during the Cretaceous (Şengör & Yılmaz 1981; Görür 1988). During Palaeocene–Early Eocene time, the eastern Pontides was above sea-level (Okay & Şahintürk 1997). Based on structural data and the composition and timing of igneous activity, Şengör & Yılmaz (1981), Yılmaz *et al.* (1997), Okay & Şahintürk (1997), and Boztuğ *et al.* (2004) proposed a Paleocene–Early Eocene (ca. 55 Ma) collision, resulting in crustal thickening and regional uplift of the eastern Pontides. Tokel (1977), Akın (1978), and Robinson *et al.* (1995) considered that the Middle Eocene volcanic rocks formed during northward subduction of the eastern Pontides and collision occurred in the Oligocene (ca. 30 Ma).

The contrasting interpretations for the timing and mechanism of collision in the eastern Pontides largely result from considerations of Tertiary magmatism in this region. Arslan *et al.* (2001, 2002, 2007a, 2009) suggested that the eastern Pontides bear features of a thickening continental crust and the subduction-imposed thermal structure was very important in the generation of Tertiary magmatism.

Geochemical and isotope composition of the Torul volcanics is consistent with derivation from a subduction-enriched mantle source. Two different models exist that could explain the melting process of mantle during the Cenozoic: (1) melting by perturbation of the geotherm by heat from upwelling asthenospheric mantle (either by lithospheric delamination or by detachment of subducted slab), (2) melting of lithospheric mantle by adiabatic decompression resulting from lithospheric extension or uplift. There is no evidence for mantle upwelling beneath the Pontides terrane, which weakens the possibility that a plume-like mechanism caused the melting of the lithospheric mantle. Maden *et al.* (2009) interpreted the prominent E-W-, NE- and NW-trending lineaments of the eastern Pontides as important extensional tectonic structures of the Pontide crust. Moreover, Arslan *et al.* (2007a, b, 2009) suggested that Tertiary volcanism is closely related to lithospheric thinning induced by slab break-off. Thus, melting of the lithospheric mantle beneath the eastern Pontides during the Eocene seems more likely to have occurred by decompression melting of an enriched subduction modified mantle, which was metasomatized by fluids derived from pre-Eocene subduction zone processes (e.g., Arslan *et al.* 2007a; Temizel & Arslan 2008). Subsequently, these melts underwent a considerable degree of fractional crystallization along with minor amounts of crustal assimilation, generating the wide variety of rock types ranging from basaltic andesite to trachydacite.

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## Conclusions

- The studied Torul volcanic rocks vary from basaltic andesite to trachydacite defining a calc-alkaline series.
- K-Ar dating on hornblende separates from various lava flows gave ages between  $44.0 \pm 2.6$  and  $33.5 \pm 2.3$  Ma.
- The Torul volcanics have initial  $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$  values varying between 0.70457 and 0.70511 and initial  $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$  values between 0.51264 and 0.51278.
- All samples from the Torul volcanic series display similar geochemical features. They are characterized by enrichment of LILE and LREE and depletion of HFSE suggesting similar sources and petrogenetic processes.
- There is systematic spatial variation in  $\text{K}_2\text{O}$ , CaO, MgO,  $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$ ,  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ ,  $\text{TiO}_2$ , Zr, Sr and Ba concentrations from the southeast (Kale area) to the northwest (Torul area).
- Fractional crystallization (FC) with minor amounts of crustal contamination occurred during the evolution of the volcanic rocks with pyroxene, hornblende, plagioclase and Fe-Ti oxides as the most important fractionating mineral phases.
- The Torul volcanic rocks were derived from an enriched mantle source, which was previously modified by subduction fluids in a post-collisional geodynamic setting.

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