

**10003**  
Ilmenite Basalt (low K)  
213 grams

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*Figure 1: Photo of 10003,25. Sample is 5 cm across. NASA S76-25545.*

### **Introduction**

Lunar sample 10003 is a low-K, high-Ti basalt (figure 1). It is about 3.9 b.y. old, with a cosmic ray exposure age of 137 m.y. Its location on the lunar surface was not recorded. It was returned in ALSRC #1004, and was one of the first lunar samples studied.

### **Petrography**

Schmitt et al. (1970) termed 10003 a “medium-grained, vuggy subophitic basalt” while Beatty and Albee (1978) and Gamble et al. (1978) described the texture as “ophitic”. McGee et al. (1977) described sample 10003 as a “medium-grained porphyritic pyroxene basalt characterized by anhedral phenocrysts of pyroxene (1.0 – 2.7mm) set in a subophitic matrix of plagioclase,

pyroxene and ilmenite” (figure 2). The mesostasis includes cristobalite, K-rich glass, troilite with metallic iron blebs, and small amount of pore space. Tablet-shaped plagioclase (0.1 – 0.6mm) occurs both subophitically intergrown with pyroxene phenocrysts and as an interstitial phase between phenocrysts. Ilmenite typically occurs as blocky, irregularly shaped bodies (0.5 – 1.0mm) intergrown with pyroxene and plagioclase, and as inclusions in pyroxene phenocrysts.

### **Mineralogy**

***Olivine:*** Olivine cores are found in some pyroxene (Beatty and Albee 1978).



Figure 2: Photomicrographs of thin section 10003,37 (plane polarized and crossed polarized). Width is 2.6 mm. NASA S70-49473-49474.

**Pyroxene:** Hafner and Virgo (1970), Beatty and Albee (1978) and Gamble et al. (1978) determined pyroxene composition of 10003 (figure 3). Single crystal X-ray diffraction studies show that the pyroxene is an intergrowth of pigeonite and augite (Ross et al. 1970). The distribution of cations in pyroxene sites was studied by Hafner and Virgo. They determined that there was no Fe<sup>+3</sup>.

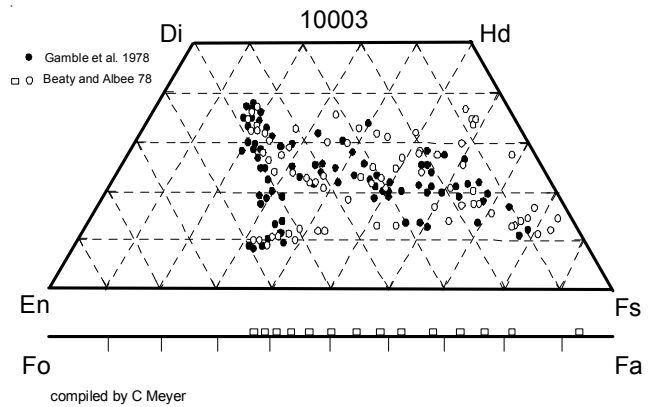


Figure 3: Pyroxene and olivine composition of 10003 (replotted from Beatty and Albee 1978 and Gamble et al. 1978).

**Plagioclase:** The chemical composition of plagioclase was found to be zoned from An<sub>93</sub> to An<sub>67</sub> by Beatty and Albee (1978). The composition of plagioclase (An<sub>85</sub>) can also be estimated from the crystallographic data by Stewart et al. (1970).

**Ilmenite:** Gamble et al. (1978) describe the ilmenite in 10003 as elongate and euhedral. They found some grains were low in Mg, while others were high in Mg (up to 6.3% MgO). Stewart et al. (1970) determined the crystallographic data for ilmenite in 10003.

**Rutile:** Haggerty et al. (1970) studied the nature of rutile inclusions in ilmenite host in 10003.

### Chemistry

The K and Rb content of 10003 is low while REE content is intermediate (figure 5). The modern analysis by Rhodes and Blanchard (1980) confirmed earlier work.

### Radiogenic age dating

Papanastassiou and Wasserburg (1975b) determined the age of 10003 by Rb/Sr (figure 6) which agreed closely

### Mineralogical Mode for 10003

	James and Jackson 70	Beatty and Albee 1978	Haggerty et al. 1970	Gamble et al. 1978	Bailey et al. 1970
Olivine	0.5	0.52			tr.
Pyroxene	48.7	50	51.7	48.6	50
Plagioclase	34.8	34.2	29	33.5	33.8
Ilmenite	14.1	13.3	18.2	14.9	14
mesostasis				0.8	
silica	1	1.06	0.3	1.4	1.2
troilite	0.5	0.68		0.8	
phosphate	0.2	0.25			

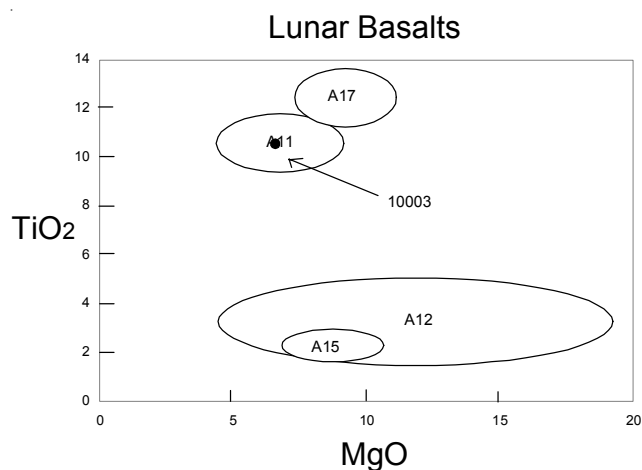


Figure 4: Composition of 10003 compared with that of other Apollo lunar samples.

with that of Stettler et al. (1974) and Turner (1970) by the Ar/Ar technique. Perhaps the most reliable age is that obtained by Ar/Ar plateau of the plagioclase  $3.91 \pm 0.03$  b.y. (figure 7).

### **Cosmogenic isotopes and exposure ages**

O'Kelley et al. (1970) determined the cosmic ray induced activity of  $^{22}\text{Na}$  (41 dpm/kg),  $^{26}\text{Al}$  (74 dpm/kg),  $^{46}\text{Sc}$  (13 dpm/kg),  $^{54}\text{Mn}$  (35 dpm/kg) and  $^{56}\text{Co}$  (43 dpm/kg). Perkins et al. (1970) determined  $^{22}\text{Na}$  (49 dpm/kg),  $^{26}\text{Al}$  (75 dpm/kg),  $^{46}\text{Sc}$  (8 dpm/kg) and  $^{54}\text{Mn}$  (60 dpm/kg). Wrigley and Quaide (1970) determined  $^{22}\text{Na}$  (56 dpm/kg) and  $^{26}\text{Al}$  (74 dpm/kg).

Turner et al. (1970) and Hintenberger et al. (1971) reported  $^{38}\text{Ar}$  exposure ages of 150 m.y and 140 m.y. (respectively). Arvidson et al. (1975) reported a  $^{81}\text{Kr}$  exposure age of 140 m.y. (determined by Schwaller 1971). Eugster et al. (1984) reported  $^{81}\text{Kr}$  exposure age of 137 m.y.

### **Other Studies**

Oxygen isotopes were reported for mineral separates of 10003 by Onuma et al. (1970) and Taylor and Epstein (1970).

The concentrations of Sm, Nd, Lu and Hf and the isotopic ratios of  $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$  and  $^{176}\text{Hf}/^{177}\text{Hf}$  were determined by Unruh et al. (1984).

The abundance and isotopic composition of rare gases in 10003 were determined by Hintenberger et al. (1970) and Eugster et al. (1984).

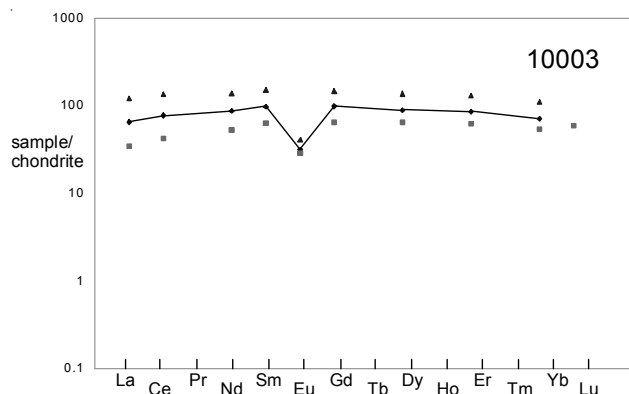


Figure 5: Normalized rare-earth-element composition for low-K basalt 10003 (the line) compared with that of low-K basalt 10020 and high-K basalt 10049 (the dots) (data from Wiesmann et al. 1975).

Price and O'Sullivan (1970) studied the gradient of cosmic ray tracks and obtained the erosion rate by micrometeorite bombardment.

### **Processing**

Apollo 11 samples were originally described and cataloged in 1969 and "re-cataloged" by Kramer et al. (1977). 10003 was sawn with a circular saw (figure 9 shows the pieces).

### **List of Photo #s for 10003**

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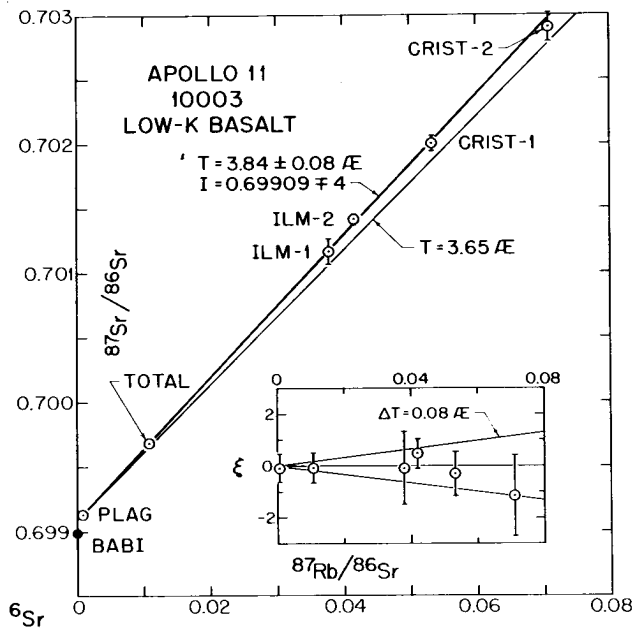


Figure 6: Rb/Sr internal mineral isochron for 10003 (from Papanastassiou and Wasserburg 1975b abs.).

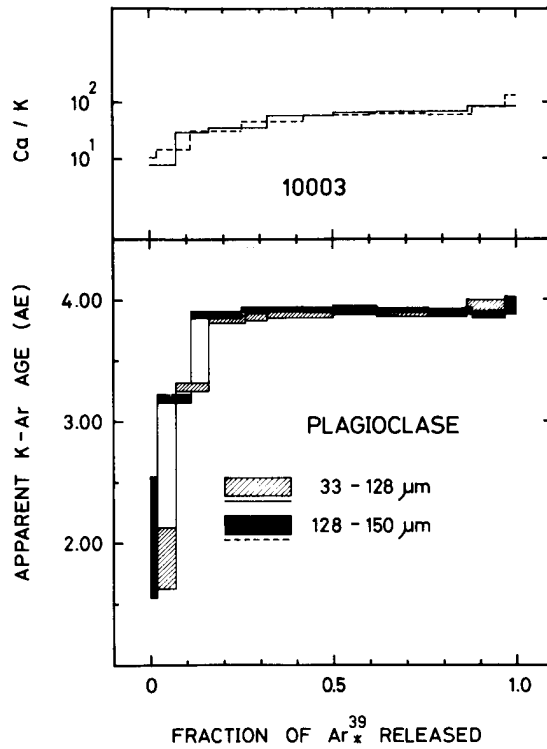


Figure 7: Argon release pattern for plagioclase separated from 10003 (from Stettler et al. 1974).

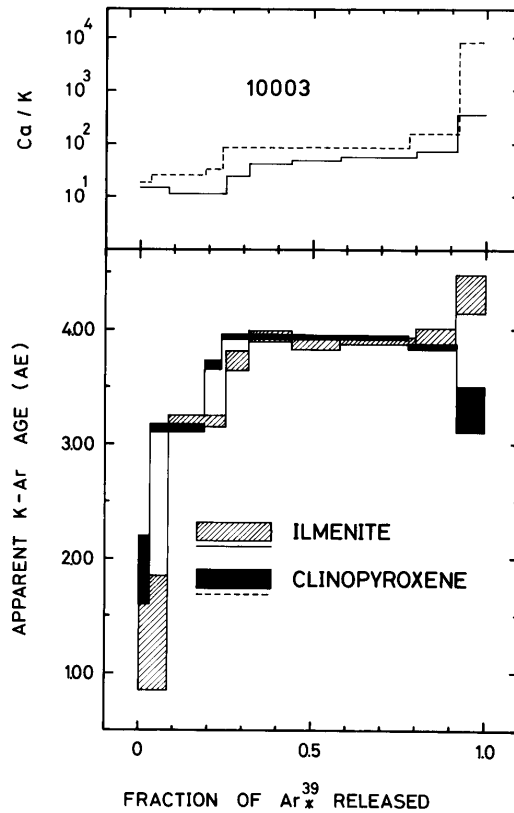


Figure 8: Argon release pattern for low K phases in 10003 (from Stettler et al. 1974).

**Summary of Age Data for 10003**

	Rb/Sr	Ar/Ar (plag)
Papanastassiou and Wasserburg 1975	$3.84 \pm 0.08$ b.y.	
Stettler et al. 1974		$3.91 \pm 0.03$
Turner 1970		$3.92 \pm 0.07$

**Disclaimer: Uncorrected for new decay constants.**

**Table 1a. Chemical composition of 10003.**

reference weight	Gast70		Wiesmann75 303 mg 198 mg		Compston70	Rose70	Goles70	Rhodes80 1.03 g	O'Kelley70	Perkins70	Wrigley70	
SiO2 %					39.76	(c) 37.8	(d) 38.3	(e) 39.53	(c)			
TiO2					10.5	(c) 12	(d) 11.8	(e) 10.67	(c)			
Al2O3					10.43	(c) 11	(d) 10.2	(e) 10.44	(c)			
FeO					19.8	(c) 19.8	(d) 19.7	(e) 20.51	(c)			
MnO					0.3	(c) 0.29	(d) 0.22	(e) 0.29	(c)			
MgO					6.69	(c) 7.2	(d) 8.1	(e) 7.1	(c)			
CaO					11.13	(c) 11	(d) 11.6	(e) 10.8	(c)			
Na2O	0.39		(a) 0.39		(a) 0.4	0.85	(d) 0.36	(e) 0.39	(c)			
K2O	0.057	0.053	(b) 0.057	0.053	(b) 0.06	(c) 0.05	(d)	0.06	(c) 0.058	(f) 0.046	(f)	
P2O5					0.12	(c)		0.14	(c)			
S %					0.18	(c)						
sum												
Sc ppm							74	(e) 78	(e)			
V							63	(e)				
Cr						1779	(d) 1390	(e) 1620	(e)			
Co							14.1	(e) 14	(e)			
Ni												
Cu												
Zn												
Ga												
Ge ppb												
As												
Se												
Rb	0.49	0.5	(b) 0.49	0.5	(b) 0.62	(c)						
Sr	159	153	(b) 159	153	(b) 161	(c)						
Y					112	(c)						
Zr					309	(c)	560	(e)				
Nb												
Mo												
Ru												
Rh												
Pd ppb												
Ag ppb												
Cd ppb												
In ppb												
Sn ppb												
Sb ppb												
Te ppb												
Cs ppm	0.022		(b) 0.022		(b)							
Ba	108	106	(b) 108	106	(b)		220	(e)				
La	15.5	14.7	(b) 15.5	14.7	(b)		13.5	(e) 15.2	(e)			
Ce	47.2	45.5	(b) 47.2	45.5	(b)		37	(e) 53	(e)			
Pr												
Nd	40	38.3	(b) 40	38.3	(b)							
Sm	14.4	14	(b) 14.4	14	(b)		13	(e) 14.8	(e)			
Eu	1.81	1.76	(b) 1.81	1.76	(b)		1.84	(e) 1.85	(e)			
Gd	19.5	19	(b) 19.5	19	(b)							
Tb							3.5	(e) 3.3	(e)			
Dy	21.9	21.6	(b) 21.9	21.6	(b)							
Ho							4	(e)				
Er	13.6	13.4	(b) 13.6	13.4	(b)							
Tm												
Yb	13.2	13	(b) 11.7	11.6	(b)		15.3	(e) 12	(e)			
Lu	1		(b) 1		(b)		2.62	(e) 1.76	(e)			
Hf							11.6	(e) 11.4	(e)			
Ta								2	(e)			
W ppb												
Re ppb												
Os ppb												
Ir ppb												
Pt ppb												
Au ppb												
Th ppm					1.1	(c)		1.8	(e) 1.01	(f) 1.08	(f) 0.9	(f)
U ppm							0.31	(e)	0.26	(f) 0.29	(f) 0.25	(f)

technique: (a) AA, (b) IDMS, (c) XRF, (d) semi micro XRF, (e) INAA, (f) radiation counting

**Table 1b. Chemical composition of 10003.**

<i>reference weight</i>	Haskin70	Annell70	
SiO <sub>2</sub> %			
TiO <sub>2</sub>			
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>			
FeO			
MnO		0.33	(b)
MgO			
CaO			
Na <sub>2</sub> O			
K <sub>2</sub> O			
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>			
S %			
<i>sum</i>			
Sc ppm		94	(b)
V		82	(b)
Cr		1860	(b)
Co		15	(b)
Ni		2.7	(b)
Cu		6.7	(b)
Zn			
Ga		4.7	(b)
Ge ppb			
As			
Se			
Rb		1	(b)
Sr		150	(b)
Y		113	(b)
Zr		380	(b)
Nb		21	(b)
Mo			
Ru			
Rh			
Pd ppb			
Ag ppb			
Cd ppb			
In ppb			
Sn ppb			
Sb ppb			
Te ppb			
Cs ppm			
Ba		160	(b)
La	14.1	(a)	15 (b)
Ce	41.3	(a)	
Pr			
Nd	42.5	(a)	
Sm	13.1	(a)	
Eu	1.8	(a)	
Gd	17	(a)	
Tb	3.26	(a)	
Dy	22.4	(a)	
Ho			
Er	12	(a)	
Tm			
Yb	11.9	(e)	
Lu	1.69	(a)	
Hf			
Ta			
W ppb			
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Th ppm			
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*technique: (a) INAA, (b) emission spec.*

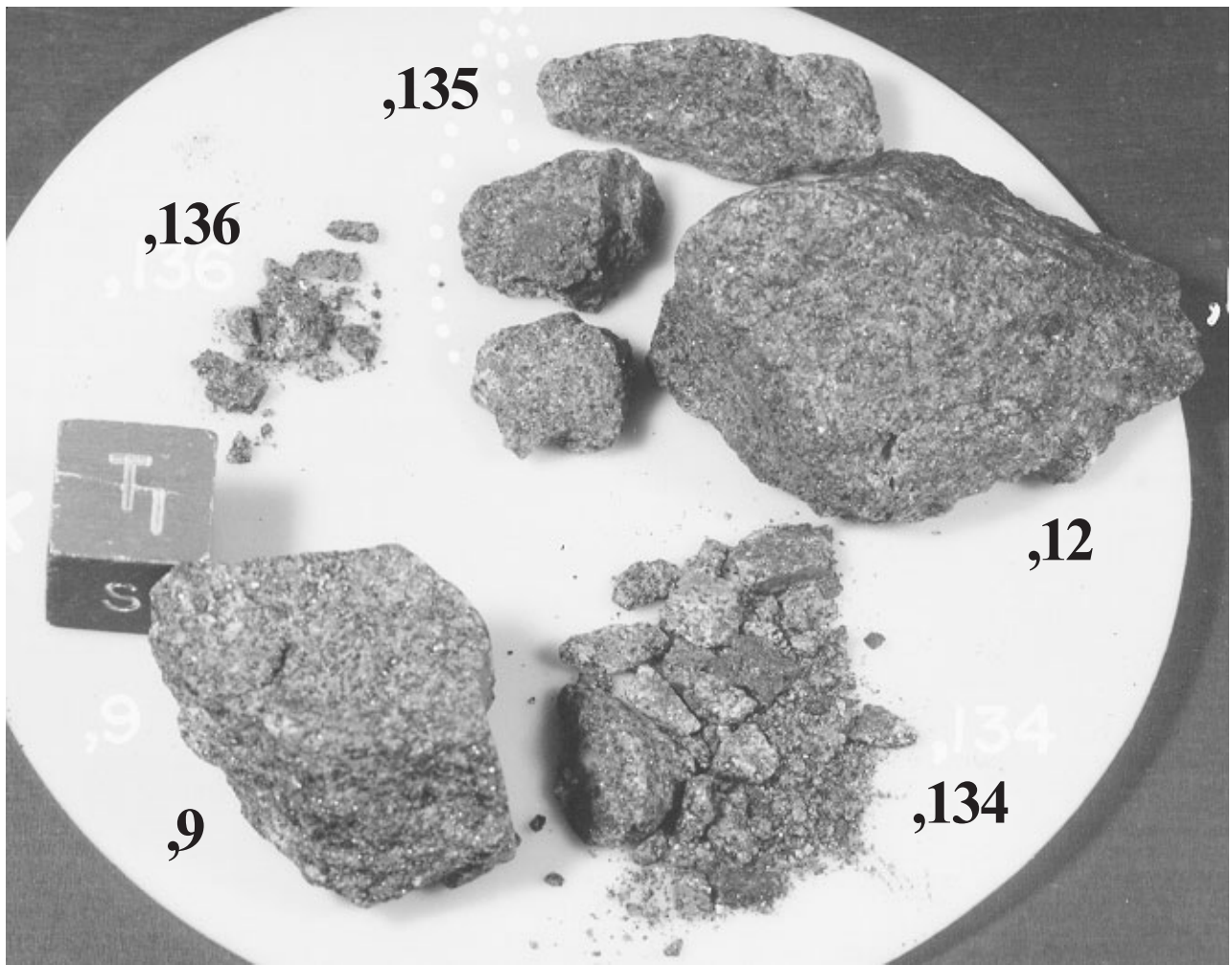
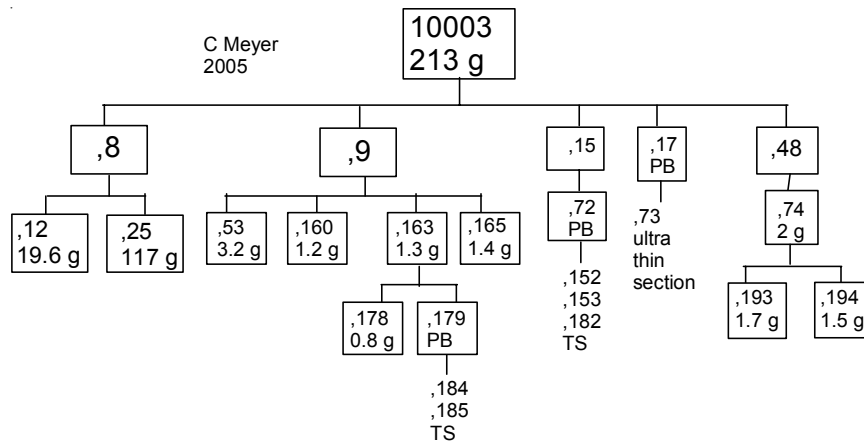


Figure 9: Group photo of 10003,12 and ,9. Cube is 1 cm. NASA S75-28698



**Table 2**

	U ppm	Th ppm	K ppm	Rb ppm	Sr ppm	Nd ppm	Sm ppm	technique
Papanastassiou 1975b			433	?				idms
Perkins et al. 1970	0.29	1.08	460					rad. Count.
O'Kelley et al. 1970	0.26	1.01	480					rad. Count.
Gast and Hubbard 1970			470	0.49	158.6	40	14.5	idms
Tatsumoto et al. 1970	0.268	1.029						idms
Compston et al. 1970		1.1		0.62	160.9			idms