The Temporal Variation of Magma Plumbing System of the Kattadake Pyroclastics in the Zao Volcano, Northeastern Japan

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Abstract: The geologic and petrologic study of the Kattadake pyroclastics (around 10 ka) from the Zao volcano (NE Japan) revealed the structure of the magma plumbing system and the mixing behavior of the shallow chamber. The Kattadake pyroclastic succession is divided into lower and upper parts by a remarkable discontinuity. All rocks belong to medium-K, calc-alkaline rock series and correspond to ol-cpx-opx basaltic-andesite to andesite with 20–28 vol% phenocrystic modal percentage. All rocks were formed by mixing between andesitic magma and near aphyric basalt. The petrologic features of andesites of lower and upper parts are similar, 59–61 wt% SiO₂, having low-An plagioclase and low-Mg pyroxenes, with pre-eruptive conditions corresponding to 960–980 °C, 1.9–3.5 kb, and 1.9–3.4 wt% H₂O. However, the basalts were ca. 49.4 wt% SiO₂ with Fo~84 olivine in the lower part and 51.8 wt% SiO₂ with Fo~81 olivine and high-An plagioclase in the upper one. The percentage of basaltic magma in the mixing process was lower, but the temperature of the basalt was higher in the lower part than the upper one. This means that the shallow magma chamber was reactivated more efficiently by the hotter basalts and that the mixed magma with a 70–80% of melt fraction was formed by a smaller percentage of the basaltic magma.

Keywords: reactivation of shallow magma chamber; calc-alkaline mixed magma; injection of mafic magma; Zao volcano NE Japan

1. Introduction

Magma mixing is a common triggering mechanism in many arc volcanoes (Manrique 2019 [1]; Hodge and Jellinek 2020 [2]). In most cases, the intrusion of deeper and hotter magma into a shallow magma chamber is the cause of such a process, which may evolve from mingling to mixing depending on the time the two magmas are in contact before the eruption (Murphy et al. 2000 [3]; Plail et al. 2018 [4]). In some cases, the overpressure caused by the intrusion of the new magma into the magma chamber is sufficient to trigger the eruption (Izbekov et al. 2004 [5]; Patia et al. 2017 [6]), while in others, an additional contribution (e.g., exsolution of volatiles) is required to reach the eruption conditions (Eichelberger 1980 [7]; Synder 2000 [8]). This may require keeping the two magmas in contact a certain time, during which they may allow chemical diffusion and facilitate magma mixing (Cooper 2018 [9]; Nishi et al. 2019 [10]). The detailed petrologic examination of erupted mixed rock provides important information about the processes of the reactivation of the shallow chamber and mixing (Singer et al. 2016 [11]; Morgado et al. 2019 [12]).

Here, we report the petrologic and volcanologic features of the Kattadake pyroclastics (ca. 10 ka) from the youngest eruption stage of the Zao volcano in NE Japan. These pyroclastic rocks show typical characteristics of mixing products and exhibit contrasting petrologic features along the whole succession of deposits. These differences allow us to examine the reactivation behavior of the shallow chamber magma. We define the
petrologic features of the end-member magmas involved in the mixing based on the chemical compositions of whole rock and phenocryst minerals as well as petrographic data, and we discuss how the reactivation processes of shallow chamber occurred.

2. Geologic Setting

Eighteen active volcanoes are distributed in NE Japan (Figure 1a). The Zao volcano is one of the active stratovolcanoes, located at the volcanic front (Figure 1a). Many volcanic tremors have been detected since 2013 (Yamamoto et al. 2014 [13]; Ban et al. 2019 [14]; Miura et al. 2018 [15]). The volcanic activity started at ~1 Ma. The activity is divided into six stages (Ban et al. 2015 [16]; Figure 1b), which show different volcanologic and petrologic features. The youngest (sixth) stage is characterized by explosive eruptions of basaltic andesite to andesitic magmas. At the beginning of this stage (ca. 35 ka), a horseshoe-shaped Umanose caldera (~1.7 km in diameter) formed at the summit area. Ban et al. (2015) [16] subdivided the pyroclastic deposits of this stage into the Kumanodake pyroclastics (ca. 33–12.9 ka), Komakusadaaira pyroclastics (ca. 33–12.9 ka), Kattadake pyroclastics (around 10 ka), Umanose agglutinate (ca. 9.0–4.1 ka), and Goshikidake pyroclastics (ca. 2.0 ka to present).

Figure 1. (a) The geological sketch map of Zao volcano from Ban et al. (2015) [16], (b) closed up of the summit area, and a view photo of the Kattadake pyroclastics. The inset in (a) shows distribution of active volcanoes in NE Japan and the surrounding areas. A, B, C, and D are equivalent to the labels in Figure 2.
Figure 2. Photographs of representative facies and the columnar sections of the Kattadake pyroclastics. (A) Agglutinate facies, (B) scoriaceous tuff facies, showing planar stratification, (C) volcanic breccia facies, and (D) tuff breccia facies (having white to yellow clay matrix). The hammer in the photographs is 32 cm in length. Samples were collected from layers 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, 9, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, and 18. A, B, C, and D are equivalent to the labels in Figure 1.

The Kattadake pyroclastics are distributed in the western part of the Umanose caldera (Figure 1b). The deposits are well exposed in the north part of the study area (Figure 1b). The Kattadake pyroclastic succession can be divided into lower and upper parts. The latter
mainly locates east of the former and abuts on the former. We recognized 18 pyroclastic beds based on facies changes or intercalation of the secondary deposits (Figure 2). The beds range in thickness from ca. 50 cm to 20 m.

Deposits of the Kattadake pyroclastic succession show the following four facies: agglutinate, scoriaceous tuff, volcanic breccia, and tuff breccia. The agglutinate facies (Figure 2a) consists of mainly coarse scoria fragments (including spatter) with minor amounts of finer ones in a ash matrix. The scoriaceous tuff facies (Figure 2b) consists of weak planar and cross laminated thin beds, up to 30 cm in thickness, composed of black to dark gray scoriaceous ashes and crystal fragments. Subordinate amounts of gray and angular andesitic bombs or black to dark gray scoria fragments, which usually show a rounded shape, are observed. The volcanic breccia facies (Figure 2c) are poorly sorted, clast-supported, and characterized by abundant lithic fragments and andesitic bombs in a matrix of reddish-brown ash. The bombs often show a quenched texture. The lithic fragments and bombs of this facies in the lower part tend to show brownish-red color (photographs in Figure 2). The tuff breccia (Figure 2d) facies can be subdivided into following two. One is similar to the volcanic breccia facies, but has less amounts of lithic fragments and bombs. The other is characterized by abundant lithic fragments in a white to yellow clay matrix. The scoriaceous tuff and tuff breccia facies are dominant and the other two facies are subordinately observed (columnar section of Figure 2).

3. Materials and Methods

We collected 30 juvenile fragments (9 from the lower part and 21 from the upper part) of the Kattadake pyroclastics. We did not collect samples from the lower layers of the lower part, where many of the rocks were reddish colored due to oxidation.

Modal analyses were performed on thin sections by point counting (2000 counts) using a petrographic microscope or on photographic images of the thin sections by a graphical method using ImageJ software.

Whole-rock major element and trace element (Rb, Sr, Ba, Zr, Y, Nb, V, Cr, and Ni) concentrations were determined by X-ray fluorescence (XRF) analysis with a Rigaku RIX2000 analyzer (Rigaku, Tokyo, Japan) at Yamagata University. The operating conditions included an acceleration voltage of 50 kV and a current of 50 mA. The preparation method of the glass discs and the calibration method used for major and trace elements followed those of Yamada et al. (1995) [17]. The glass discs were made by fusion of powdered sample with Lithium tetraborate. The matrix effect for trace elements was corrected by using the Ip/Ib (net over background intensity) method. For a detailed explanation of this method, see Murata (1993) [18] and Yamada et al. (1995) [17]. The standards used in this analysis are the Geological Survey of Japan (GSJ) igneous rock series. The analytical uncertainties of the XRF trace elements analyses are <5% for Nb, Zr, Y, Sr, Rb, and Ni; <10% for V and Cr; and 5–15% for Ba. The range of uncertainties for a single element is based on the concentration range observed in the standards. Major elements have been normalized to a 100% volatile-free basis, with total iron (FeO) calculated as FeO for plotting purposes.

The mineral compositions (plagioclase, pyroxene, and olivine) of 5 samples were analyzed using a JEOL JXA8600M (Jeol Ltd., Tokyo, Japan) wavelength-dispersive type electron probe X-ray microanalyzer (EPMA) at Yamagata University. These analyses operated with an acceleration voltage of 15 kV, a beam current of 10 nA (plagioclase) or 20 nA (pyroxene and olivine) and beam diameter of 1 µm (pyroxene and olivine) or 5 µm (plagioclase). All analyses used oxide ZAF (atomic number, absorption, and fluorescence) corrections.

4. Results

4.1. Modal and Whole Rock Compositions

The modal compositions of lower and upper parts of the Kattadake pyroclastic succession are shown in Table 1. Rocks have porphyritic index values ranging 19.9–28.4 vol%, with phenocrysts of plagioclase (12.1–22.6 vol%), orthopyroxene (3.7–5.9 vol%), clinopyroxene
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(0.7–2.9 vol%), olivine (0–3.4 vol%), and rare magnetite, set in an intersertal groundmass. The photomicroscope images of representative samples are presented in Figure 3. Glomerocrystals of phenocrysts of plagioclase and olivine are sometimes observed in samples from the lower part.

Table 1. Phenocryst modal composition of lower and upper parts of the Kattadake pyroclastics.

| Part | Lower | Upper |
|------|-------|-------|
| Sample Name | | |
| 051027-501 | | |
| 050916-301 | | |
| 050916-401 | | |
| 06KTS10-2* | | |
| TZ2 | | |
| Z2-31* | | |
| Z2-32* | | |
| SS32* | | |
| 051027-3* | | |
| SC-1 | | |
| 051027-4* | | |
| 0510278-2 | | |
| SF-201* | | |
| Total phenocryst (vol%) | 27.9 | 26.1 |
| Plagioclase (vol%) | 21.6 | 16.4 |
| Orthopyroxene + clinopyroxene (vol%) | 5.8 | 9.8 |
| Orthopyroxene (vol%) | 4.1 | |
| Clinopyroxene (vol%) | 1.7 | |
| Olivine (vol%) | 0.5 | 0.0 |
| Fe-Ti oxides (vol%) | 0.1 | trace |

The analysis of the samples without stars were by more than 2000 points counting. * The analysis of the samples with stars were by a graphical method using the ImageJ software. Trace, <0.1 vol%.

Figure 3. Photomicroscope images of representative samples from Kattadake pyroclastics. Ol, olivine; Opx, orthopyroxene; Cpx, clinopyroxene. (a) representative samples from the lower part, (b) representative samples from the upper part.

All whole-rock compositions of Kattadake pyroclastics are presented in Table 2. The major and trace element variation diagrams are shown in Figure 4a. The Kattadake pyroclastics belong to the medium-K calc-alkaline series according to the classification scheme by Gill (1981) [19] and Miyashiro (1974) [20] (Figure 4). SiO2 contents of the Kattadake pyroclastics are 55.0–58.4 wt%. In the SiO2 variation diagrams, the whole rock data show linear trends, except for Cr, Ni, and MgO. In the Cr, Ni, and MgO diagrams, rocks from the lower part show a Cr, Ni, and MgO-rich trend (high-Cr group), whereas the upper rocks show a Cr, Ni, and MgO-poor trend (low-Cr group).

Figure 4b shows the temporal variation of SiO2, MgO, K2O, and analyzed trace element contents. In this figure, SiO2, K2O, Ba, Rb, Y, Zr, Nb, Cr, and Ni contents of the lower part tend to be richer than the upper part. The variations in MgO, V, and Sr contents do not show clear temporal variation.
Table 1. Phenocryst modal composition of lower and upper parts of the Kattadake pyroclastics.

| Part | Lower | Upper |
|------|-------|-------|
| Sample Name | 051027-501 | 050916-301 | 050916-401 | 06KTS10-2 | * | TZ2 | Z2-31 | Z2-32 | * | SS32 | * | 051027-3 | * | SC-1 | 051027-4 | * | 0510278-2 | * | SF-201 | |
| Total phenocryst (vol%) | 27.9 | 26.1 | 24.8 | 22.8 | 28.3 | 28.4 | 26.3 | 20.5 | 24.6 | 26.7 | 26.9 | 20.6 | 24.6 | 26.7 | 26.9 | 20.6 | 24.6 | 26.7 | 26.9 |
| Plagioclase (vol%) | 21.6 | 16.4 | 17.1 | 17 | 12.1 | 15.8 | 18.1 | 18.6 | 22.6 | 13.4 | 16.8 | 14.5 | 20.0 | |
| Orthopyroxene + clinopyroxene (vol%) | 5.8 | 9.8 | 7.0 | 5.9 | 4.4 | 7.1 | 10.3 | 9.8 | 3.7 | 7.0 | 7.2 | 7.8 | 6.9 | |
| Orthopyroxene (vol%) | 4.1 | - | 5.9 | - | 3.7 | - | - | - | 5.2 | - | 4.9 | - | |
| Clinopyroxene (vol%) | 1.7 | - | 1.1 | - | 0.7 | - | - | - | - | - | 1.8 | - | 2.9 | |
| Olivine (vol%) | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.6 | - | trace | 3.4 | trace | trace | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.8 | 0.0 | |
| Fe-Ti oxides (vol%) | 0.1 | trace | 0.6 | trace | trace | trace | trace | trace | 0.2 | trace | |

The analysis of the samples without stars were by more than 2000 points counting. * The analysis of the samples with stars were by a graphical method using the ImageJ software. Trace, <0.1 vol%.

Table 2. Representative whole rock composition of the Kattadake pyroclastics.

| Part | Lower | Upper |
|------|-------|-------|
| Sample Name | 050916-301 | 06KTS302 | 06KTS8-1 | 0511039-1 | 06KTS10-3 | 06KTS10-2 | Z2-32 | Z2-31 | TZ2 | KT2-201 | KT2-202 | KT2-101 | KT2-102 | KT2-103 | SS32 |
| Longitude(N) | 38°07′56.2") | 38°07′56.1") | 38°07′56.2") | 38°07′56.3") | 38°07′56.3") | 38°07′56.3") | 38°07′56.3") | 38°07′56.3") | 38°07′56.3") | 38°07′56.3") | 38°07′56.3") | 38°07′56.3") | 38°07′56.3") | 38°07′56.3") | |
| Latitude(E) | 140°26′55.4") | 140°26′55.4") | 140°26′55.4") | 140°26′55.4") | 140°26′55.4") | 140°26′55.4") | 140°26′55.4") | 140°26′55.4") | 140°26′55.4") | 140°26′55.4") | 140°26′55.4") | 140°26′55.4") | 140°26′55.4") | 140°26′55.4") | |
| Major (wt%) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| SiO₂ | 56.73 | 56.57 | 56.81 | 56.91 | 57.52 | 57.04 | 58.13 | 56.72 | 56.57 | 56.17 | 55.85 | 55.84 | 55.91 | 56.12 | 56.57 |
| TiO₂ | 0.89 | 0.89 | 0.89 | 0.89 | 0.87 | 0.87 | 0.87 | 0.87 | 0.87 | 0.87 | 0.87 | 0.87 | 0.87 | 0.87 | 0.87 |
| Al₂O₃ | 17.61 | >17.03 | >17.90 | >17.40 | >16.16 | >16.47 | >16.47 | >16.47 | >16.47 | >16.47 | >16.47 | >16.47 | >16.47 | >16.47 | >16.47 |
| Fe₂O₃ | 8.78 | >8.67 | >7.92 | >8.06 | >8.56 | >8.06 | >8.06 | >8.06 | >8.06 | >8.06 | >8.06 | >8.06 | >8.06 | >8.06 | >8.06 |
| MnO | 0.14 | 0.15 | 0.14 | 0.15 | 0.14 | 0.14 | 0.14 | 0.14 | 0.14 | 0.14 | 0.14 | 0.14 | 0.14 | 0.14 | 0.14 |
| MgO | 4.59 | 4.73 | 4.85 | 4.91 | 5.26 | 5.29 | 5.29 | 5.29 | 5.29 | 5.29 | 5.29 | 5.29 | 5.29 | 5.29 | 5.29 |
| CaO | 6.98 | 7.74 | 7.06 | 7.29 | 7.67 | 8.13 | 7.35 | 7.77 | 7.97 | 8.44 | 8.63 | 8.63 | 8.63 | 8.63 | 8.63 |
| Na₂O | 2.41 | 2.94 | 3.00 | 3.00 | 3.00 | 3.00 | 3.00 | 3.00 | 3.00 | 3.00 | 3.00 | 3.00 | 3.00 | 3.00 | 3.00 |
| K₂O | 0.95 | 1.03 | 0.92 | 0.99 | 1.09 | 1.04 | 1.18 | 0.92 | 1.01 | 0.82 | 0.81 | 0.81 | 0.81 | 0.81 | 0.81 |
| Trace (ppm) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ba | 360 | 365 | 310 | 358 | 358 | 358 | 358 | 358 | 358 | 358 | 358 | 358 | 358 | 358 | 358 |
| Rb | 29 | 30 | 29 | 28 | 28 | 28 | 28 | 28 | 28 | 28 | 28 | 28 | 28 | 28 | 28 |
| Sr | 203 | 204 | 204 | 204 | 204 | 204 | 204 | 204 | 204 | 204 | 204 | 204 | 204 | 204 | 204 |
| Zr | 104 | 104 | 104 | 104 | 104 | 104 | 104 | 104 | 104 | 104 | 104 | 104 | 104 | 104 | 104 |
| Nb | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.8 |
| V | 30 | 31 | 28 | 26 | 27 | 26 | 29 | 25 | 25 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 |
| Cr | 71 | 69 | 67 | 67 | 67 | 67 | 67 | 67 | 67 | 67 | 67 | 67 | 67 | 67 | 67 |
| Ni | 54 | 37 | 38 | 37 | 41 | 43 | 43 | 43 | 43 | 43 | 43 | 43 | 43 | 43 | 43 |

The analysis of the samples without stars were by more than 2000 points counting. * The analysis of the samples with stars were by a graphical method using the ImageJ software. Trace, <0.1 vol%.
Table 2. Cont.

| Part | Upper | Lower |
|------|-------|-------|
| Layer | Sample Name | Longitude (N) | Latitude (E) | Major (wt%) | Trace (ppm) |
| 11 | 051027-1 | 140°27'03.0" | 38°07'55.8" | SiO₂ 55.89 | Ba 236 |
| 13 | 051027-2 | 140°27'03.0" | 38°07'55.8" | TiO₂ 0.88 | Sr 301 |
| 15 | 051027-3 | 140°27'03.0" | 38°07'55.8" | Al₂O₃ 17.26 | Rb 19 |
| 13 | SC-1 | 140°27'03.0" | 38°07'55.8" | FeO₉ 8.82 | Sr 301 |
| 14 | SC-2 | 140°27'03.0" | 38°07'55.8" | Fe₂O₃ 8.82 | Rb 19 |
| 15 | SC-3 | 140°27'03.0" | 38°07'55.8" | MgO 5.30 | Sr 301 |
| 16 | 051027-4 | 140°27'03.0" | 38°07'55.8" | CaO 8.58 | Rb 19 |
| 16 | 051027-5 | 140°27'03.0" | 38°07'55.8" | K₂O 0.80 | Sr 301 |
| 17 | SF-1 | 140°27'03.0" | 38°07'55.8" | Total 100.43 | FeO, total iron calculated as FeO. |
| 17 | SF-2 | 140°27'03.0" | 38°07'55.8" | FeO₉, total iron calculated as FeO. |
Figure 4. (a) Major and trace element versus SiO$_2$ variation diagrams of samples from the Kattadake pyroclastics. Boundaries defining the low-K and medium-K fields in the K$_2$O vs. SiO$_2$ diagram and the tholeiite (TH) and calc-alkaline (CA) fields in the FeO$^+/\text{MgO}$ vs. SiO$_2$ diagram are from Gill 1981 [19] and Miyashiro 1974 [20], respectively. (b) Temporal variations in SiO$_2$, MgO, K$_2$O, and trace element contents of samples from the Kattadake pyroclastics. The layer numbers are the same as in Figure 2.
4.2. Textural and Compositional Features of Phenocrysts

The chemical compositions and the histograms of plagioclase, pyroxene, and olivine phenocrysts are presented in Tables 3–5, Table S1, and Figure 5. Back-scattered electron (BSE) images of representative minerals are shown in Figure 6.

Table 3. Representative chemical compositions of orthopyroxene phenocrysts from samples of the Kattadake pyroclastics.

| Phenocryst | Orthopyroxene |
|------------|---------------|
| Layer      | Reversed/Unzoned | Reversed/Unzoned | Reversed/Unzoned | Small |
| Analysis Date | 13 January 2007 | 07 February 2004 | 29 January 2002 | 13 January 2007 |
| Number Point | 1C R 5C R | 5C R 20C R | 5C C2 R 5C R | 5C C2 R 5C R |
| SiO₂       | 53.83 54.59 53.65 53.84 | 52.76 54.64 53.87 54.10 | 53.87 54.10 54.21 |
| TiO₂       | 0.26 0.31 0.34 0.43 | 0.30 0.25 0.33 0.25 | 0.32 |
| Al₂O₃      | 0.90 0.85 1.01 1.22 | 1.04 1.93 1.10 1.55 | 0.77 |
| FeO        | 20.84 17.80 21.58 18.80 | 20.82 15.41 18.08 16.70 | 20.05 |
| MnO        | 0.42 0.47 0.61 0.38 | 0.54 0.52 0.41 0.38 | 0.38 |
| MgO        | 22.36 25.06 21.43 23.26 | 22.19 26.07 23.92 25.25 | 22.70 |
| CaO        | 1.94 1.83 1.99 2.07 | 1.95 2.24 1.88 1.73 | 1.85 |
| Na₂O       | 0.02 0.02 0.02 0.08 | 0.05 0.19 0.05 0.06 | 0.02 |
| K₂O        | 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 | 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Cr₂O₃      | 0.01 0.03 0.02 0.02 | 0.02 0.05 0.05 0.16 | 0.00 |
| NiO        | 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.04 | 0.00 0.11 0.00 0.03 | 0.00 |
| Total      | 100.59 100.97 100.66 100.14 | 99.66 101.40 99.70 100.21 | 100.30 |
| Mg#        | 66 72 64 69 | 66 75 70 73 | 67 |

Table 4. Representative chemical compositions of clinopyroxenes and olivine phenocrysts from samples of the Kattadake pyroclastics.

| Phenocryst | Clinopyroxene | Phenocryst | Olivine |
|------------|--------------|------------|---------|
| Layer      | Analysis Date | Layer      | Analysis Date | Layer      | Analysis Date |
| Number Point | 17 January 2007 | 13 January 2007 | 07 February 2004 | 17 November 2010 |
| 1C R 5C R | 5C R 20C R | 5C C2 R 5C R | 5C C2 R 5C R | 5C C2 R 5C R |
| SiO₂       | 51.78 51.69 52.20 52.31 | 41.15 39.92 49.15 49.32 | 38.91 39.72 39.36 |
| TiO₂       | 0.53 0.61 0.53 0.55 | 0.00 0.01 0.00 0.01 | 0.00 0.00 0.01 |
| Al₂O₃      | 2.14 2.42 1.73 1.91 | 0.01 0.01 0.03 0.02 | 0.01 |
| FeO        | 12.24 9.65 11.55 9.25 | 15.23 20.46 23.21 18.18 | 20.25 |
| MnO        | 0.34 0.28 0.31 0.32 | 0.24 0.38 0.38 0.29 | 0.27 |
| MgO        | 14.13 15.05 14.32 14.94 | 44.64 40.32 38.79 43.31 | 41.28 |
| CaO        | 18.17 18.73 19.37 19.50 | 0.15 0.20 0.13 0.17 | 0.15 |
| Na₂O       | 0.21 0.21 0.20 0.22 | 0.00 0.01 0.00 0.01 | 0.01 |
| K₂O        | 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 | 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Cr₂O₃      | 0.03 0.03 0.01 0.07 | 0.03 0.00 0.01 0.00 | 0.00 |
| NiO        | 0.00 0.00 0.04 0.00 | 0.09 0.06 0.03 0.09 | 0.15 |
| Total      | 99.62 98.77 100.27 99.07 | 101.54 101.39 101.48 101.79 | 101.49 |
| Mg#        | 67 74 69 74 | 84 78 75 81 | 78 |
Table 5. Representative chemical compositions of plagioclase phenocrysts from samples of the Kattadake pyroclastics.

| Phenocryst Type | Oscillatory | Oscillatory | Oscillatory | Plagioclase | Oscillatory | Clear/Dissolved | Clear/Dissolved |
|-----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Layer Number    | 5           | 9           | 14          | 16          | 7           | 7               |                 |
| Analysis Date   | 12 December 2006 | 11 November 2006 | 13 October 2006 | 11 October 2006 | 30 August 2006 | 11 October 2006 |                 |
| Number          | 12C         | C2          | R           | 5C          | C2          | R              | 1C              |
| Point           | An-rich     | An-poor     | Rim         | An-rich     | An-poor     | An-rich        | An-rich         | An-rich        | An-poor        | Rim |
| SiO₂            | 48.57       | 51.71       | 49.62       | 51.04       | 49.62       | 51.04          | 49.62           | 51.04          | 49.62          | 51.04 |
| Al₂O₃           | 30.46       | 28.63       | 29.72       | 28.75       | 30.50       | 28.75          | 30.50           | 28.75          | 30.50          | 28.75 |
| Fe₂O₃           | 0.78        | 0.76        | 0.83        | 0.99        | 0.94        | 0.99           | 0.94            | 0.99           | 0.94           | 0.99 |
| MgO             | 0.08        | 0.09        | 0.11        | 0.11        | 0.10        | 0.11           | 0.10            | 0.11           | 0.10           | 0.11 |
| CaO             | 14.67       | 12.66       | 13.96       | 13.36       | 12.33       | 13.36          | 12.33           | 13.36          | 12.33          | 13.36 |
| Na₂O            | 2.71        | 3.72        | 3.15        | 3.41        | 1.88        | 3.88           | 3.87            | 3.87           | 3.87           | 3.87 |
| K₂O             | 0.11        | 0.17        | 0.11        | 0.15        | 0.07        | 0.24           | 0.17            | 0.12           | 0.20           | 0.10 |
| Total           | 97.37       | 97.75       | 97.50       | 97.80       | 97.95       | 97.80          | 97.95           | 97.80          | 97.95          | 97.80 |
| An%             | 74          | 65          | 71          | 68          | 82          | 63             | 64              | 72             | 66             | 68   |
|                 |             |             |             |             |             |                 |                 |                |                |         |

An, anorthite; Mg#, 100 × [Mg/(Mg + Fe)]; Fo, forsterite.
4.2.1. Olivine

   All olivine phenocrysts (up to 6 mm) are subhedral and show somewhat skeletal texture (Figure 6a,b). Some olivine phenocrysts contain minor amount of hollow (~100 µm) in its core part. The phenocrysts usually show normal zoning with Mg-richer (Fo_{75-84}) cores and overgrowths of thin Mg-poorer (Fo_{66-79}) rims (Figure 5). Whereas the phenocrysts having ca. 100 µm-thick Mg-richer (Fo_{79-83}) mantles surrounding their cores (Fo_{74-78}) (Figure 6b) are occasionally found in samples from the upper part. The Fo content of olivine phenocryst core tends to be higher in the lower part samples (~84) than in the upper part samples (~81) (Figure 5). The phenocrysts from lower part include Cr-spinel inclusions (up to 50 µm in diameter) showing circular or rhomboidal shaped in core part. The olivines occurring in the glomerocryst with the plagioclase have Fo_{83} contents in core, but Fo_{<81} in the contact.

4.2.2. Clinopyroxene

   All clinopyroxene phenocrysts (up to 8 mm in size) are euhedral to subhedral (Figure 6c). The core contains circular to irregularly shaped melt inclusions (up to 500 µm). Each phenocryst grain is usually Mg-poor (Mg# = 67–71) and compositionally homogeneous, whereas some show Mg-richer (Mg# = 72–76) rim overgrowths ~100 µm from the margins.

4.2.3. Orthopyroxene

   Orthopyroxene phenocrysts (up to 7 mm) occur with two textural types: reversed/unzoned and small. More than 90% of orthopyroxene belongs to reversed/unzoned type. The reversed/unzoned type is euhedral to subhedral (Figure 6d) and contains circular or irregularly shaped melt inclusions (up to 300 µm) in its cores. This type has Mg-poor
(Mg# = 61–67) core and usually has higher-Mg zoned rim (up to 78 in Mg#) ~30 µm from the margin. The phenocrysts showing resorbed irregular boundary between Mg-poor core and higher Mg-zoned rim (~300 µm from the margin) are occasionally found (Figure 6e). The zoned rim texture and compositions of these phenocrysts are similar to that of small type as described below.

Figure 6. BSE images of representative crystals in samples from the Kattadake pyroclastics. (a) A Fo rich olivine, constituting a glomerocryst with a clear type plagioclase. (b) Normal and reverse zoned olivine phenocrysts. (c) A clinopyroxene phenocryst having Mg-poor core and Mg-rich thin rim. (d) A reversed/unzoned orthopyroxene having Mg-rich thin rim. (e) A reversed/unzoned orthopyroxene having Mg-rich thick rim and a small type orthopyroxene. (f) Close-up of the small type orthopyroxene in (e). (g) An oscillatory zoned plagioclase having irregular shaped melt inclusions and An-poor patches. (h) An oscillatory zoned plagioclase. (i) A dissolved plagioclase. Numbers in photographs indicate Fo, Mg#, or An contents of analyzed points. (a,d,e,f,g) are from lower part samples and (b,c,h,i) are from upper part samples.

The small type (up to 0.7 mm) (Figure 6e,f) is anhedral to subhedral. The crystal has core with moderate amount of tubular to irregularly shaped melt inclusions (~100 µm). The core contains minor amount of hollow (~100 µm). The core is surrounded by a thin mantle (~20 µm) and has an overgrowth rim that is 30 µm or less in thickness. The Mg# values of the cores, mantles, and rims vary between 68–70, 67–73, and 67–71 of Mg#, respectively (Figure 5).

4.2.4. Plagioclase

Plagioclase phenocrysts (up to 8 mm in size) are divided into three textural types: oscillatory zoned, clear, and dissolved types. The texture of these types is similar to the texture type 1 (High Amplitude–Low Frequency; HALF) or combination of 1 (HALF) and 3, 1 (Low Amplitude–High Frequency; LAHF), and 2 or 4 described by Viccaro et al. 2010 [21], respectively. More than 80% plagioclase belongs to oscillatory zoned type.

Oscillatory zoned plagioclase (Figure 6g,h) is subhedral, with diffuse and symmetrical oscillatory and/or patchy zoned cores. In terms of this type, we analyzed the An-poorest and An-richest zones in the core for each grain. Compositions of An-poor and An-rich
zones are mostly An$_{58–70}$ and An$_{70–85}$, respectively (Figure 5). The amplitudes and steps of these oscillations vary. They usually exceed 10 mol% and several tens to 100 µm (HALF). The An-poor zones in the cores are wider than the An-rich zones and the zones sometimes become discontinuous and patchy (Figure 6g,h). Circular to irregularly shaped melt inclusions (up to 100 µm) are observed in cores (Figure 6g,h). The core outlines sometimes show irregular and rounded surfaces surrounded by oscillatory zoned mantles with or without dusty zones (Tsuchiyama 1985 [22]) (Figure 6h), which are mainly composed of fine melt inclusions (20 µm) and An-rich (An$_{70–90}$) plagioclases. This type usually has thin (less than 20 µm wide) and clear rim. Compositions of the rim are An$_{60–75}$.

Clear plagioclase (Figure 6a) is euhedral and sometimes presents in glomerocrystals with olivine. This type always has inclusion-free and An-rich (An$_{85–94}$) clear cores, which show LAHF oscillatory zoning. Cores are sometimes surrounded by An-poorer mantles (An$_{60–80}$, less than 500 µm wide), which have textures resembling those of oscillatory zoned plagioclases. Rim compositions of this type are An$_{60–75}$.

Dissolved plagioclase (Figure 6i) is subhedral. The core is filled by many small (~10 µm) melt inclusions and abundant hollows with relics of plagioclase. This type always has An-rich (An$_{85–94}$) core and sometimes has mantles, whose textures resemble to cores of oscillatory zoned or clear plagioclases. Rim compositions of this type are An$_{60–75}$.

5. Discussion
5.1. Mixing of Two End-Member Magmas Produced the Variable Petrological Features of the Kattadake Pyroclastics

To interpret the variations in calc-alkaline andesitic magmas, different hypotheses have been proposed, fractional crystallization of basaltic magma, crustal assimilation and fractional crystallization of basaltic magma, partial melting of the basaltic lower crust, and magma mixing between mafic and felsic magmas (e.g., Andújar et al. 2016 [23], Hildreth 2004 [24], and Marsh 1989 [25]). In the case of the Kattadake pyroclastics, the following features support the magma mixing hypothesis: (1) Disequilibrium phenocryst assemblages in same rock samples, such as Mg-rich olivine vs. Mg-poor pyroxenes and An-rich vs. An-poor plagioclase phenocrysts (Figure 5); (2) Mg-rich rims observed in pyroxene and olivine phenocrysts (Figures 5 and 6); and (3) The whole-rock compositions of each of the lower and upper part show linear trends in most variation diagrams (Figure 4).

The phenocrystic mafic minerals in the Kattadake pyroclastics show a wide compositional variation as described in the textural and compositional features of phenocrysts section. Based on the olivine–orthopyroxene and olivine–clinopyroxene Fe–Mg exchange equilibria by Matsui and Nishizawa 1974 [26] and Obata et al. 1974 [27], these mafic minerals can be classified into three groups. Mg-poor reversed/unzoned orthopyroxene (Mg# = ca. 62–67) and clinopyroxene (Mg# = ca. 65–72) are grouped to A. Olivine (Fo$_{74–84}$) is grouped to B. The small orthopyroxene (Mg# = ca. 70) is grouped to C.

Based on their compositional features, the group A, B, and C phenocrysts are interpreted as basically derived from the felsic end-member magma, mafic end-member magma, and the mixed magma, respectively. Mg-richer rims of orthopyroxene and clinopyroxene were formed during mixing with mafic magma.

The clear and dissolved plagioclases are assigned to group B, because of the high An content of their cores. These would precipitate from mafic magma. The dissolution of the dissolved plagioclase occurred during the ascent of H$_2$O-undersaturated mafic magma (Humphreys et al. 2006 [28]; Viccaro et al. 2010 [21]). On the other hand, the An range of the oscillatory zoned plagioclase is sometimes large (An$_{58–70}$ to An$_{70–85}$). The HALF oscillatory zoning in oscillatory zoned plagioclase cannot be caused by crystallization kinetic effects, which typically cause LAHF oscillatory zoning similar to that in the clear plagioclase. Cyclic changes in the surrounding magma conditions or convective movement in the magma chamber under heterogeneous H$_2$O conditions (e.g., Viccaro et al. 2010 [21]) are required for the formation of the HALF zoning. It is probable that the shallow chamber is not always convective, thus the cyclicity could have been caused by repeated injections of mafic magma into the shallow magma chamber. The An-richer zones formed from the
intermediate magma, while the An-poor zones formed from andesitic magma. After the injection, plagioclase grains gained the An-richer zone and settled again in the andesitic magma. Therefore, the An poorer and richer parts of the oscillatory zoned plagioclase can be assigned to group A and C, respectively. The discontinuous oscillation and patchy texture would be formed by resorption and precipitation during heating of the injected mafic magmas and subsequent cooling. The dusty texture was formed during mixing with mafic magma.

5.2. Composition and T-P-H2O Conditions of the Felsic End-Member Magma

The group A compositions of phenocrysts are always similar An (An_{58-70}) contents and Mg# (62–67 Mg# for orthopyroxene, 65–72 Mg# for clinopyroxene) through the pyroclastic succession (Figure 5), which suggests that the felsic end-member magma had a similar composition prior to the arrival of the mafic magma. The Cr-Ni-MgO trends of lower and upper parts converge at high SiO2 whereas are split at lower SiO2 part, which also supports the fact that the felsic end-member magma did not change in composition through the formation of the Kattadake pyroclastics. We inferred the bulk composition and P-H2O conditions of the felsic end-member magma using the rhyolite-MELTS program (Gualda et al., 2012 [29]). At first, the potential whole rock compositional data sets (having 59, 60, 61, 62, and 63 wt% SiO2) of the felsic end-member were estimated by using the mixing trends in the SiO2 variation diagrams. An example of determining K2O contents in the K2O-SiO2 diagram is shown in Figure 7. The complete data sets are presented in Table 6. By inputting the data sets into the rhyolite-MELTS program, we obtained equilibrium precipitation mineral assemblages and the chemical compositions of the minerals for various P–H2O conditions. In the calculations, the ferric–ferrous ratio was calculated by the method of Sack et al. 1980 [30], NNO buffer condition was assumed based on Ban et al. 2008 [31] where the NNO buffer was estimated for the felsic magma condition of the basaltic andesites from the youngest stage of the Zao volcano, and the temperature was fixed to 960–980 °C, which was estimated by applying a two-pyroxene thermometer (Brey and Köhler 1990 [32]) to the core compositions of group C pyroxene pairs. We constrained the range of compositions and P-H2O conditions to satisfy the equilibrium precipitation of An and Mg# poor phenocrysts (An_{62-66} plagioclase + 64–66 Mg# orthopyroxene + 66–69 Mg# clinopyroxene + magnetite) (Figure 8). The obtained bulk silica content is 59–61 wt%, high-silica andesite. The ranges of pressure and water contents of the magma are 1.9–3.5 kb and 1.9–3.4 wt%. These results were graphically represented in Figure 8. Compositions and T-P-H2O conditions of the felsic end-member magma are summarized in Table 6.

![Figure 7. K2O-SiO2 diagram showing an example of determination of K2O contents in datasets for MELTS calculation of the felsic end-member composition. See text for details.](image-url)
### Table 6. Estimated bulk compositions and properties of two end-members with potential data sets for the felsic end-member of the Kattadake pyroclastics.

| Estimated End-Member Compositions | Major (wt%) | Potential Data Sets for the Felsic End-Member |
|----------------------------------|-------------|---------------------------------------------|
|                                  | Felsic      | Mafic (Lower) | Mafic (Upper) | Felsic 1 | Felsic 2 | Felsic 3 | Felsic 4 | Felsic 5 |
| SiO$_2$                          | 59.00–61.00 | 49.40         | 51.80         | 59.00     | 60.00     | 61.00     | 62.00     | 63.00     |
| TiO$_2$                          | 0.89–0.89   | 0.90          | 0.90          | 0.89      | 0.89      | 0.89      | 0.90      | 0.90      |
| Al$_2$O$_3$                      | 15.60–16.20 | 19.00         | 18.70         | 16.20     | 15.90     | 15.60     | 15.30     | 15.00     |
| FeO$^t$                          | 7.65–8.05   | 9.70          | 9.50          | 8.05      | 7.85      | 7.65      | 7.45      | 7.25      |
| MnO                              | 0.13–0.14   | 0.20          | 0.20          | 0.14      | 0.13      | 0.13      | 0.12      | 0.12      |
| MgO                              | 3.40–4.20   | 9.10          | 6.50          | 4.20      | 3.80      | 3.40      | 3.00      | 2.60      |
| CaO                              | 6.60–7.20   | 10.00         | 10.20         | 7.20      | 6.90      | 6.60      | 6.30      | 6.00      |
| Na$_2$O                          | 2.85–3.16   | 0.10          | 0.20          | 1.22      | 1.34      | 1.46      | 1.58      | 1.70      |
| K$_2$O                           | 1.22–1.46   | 0.10          | 0.10          | 0.13      | 0.13      | 0.13      | 0.14      | 0.14      |
| P$_2$O$_5$                        | 0.13–0.13   | 0.10          | 0.10          | 0.13      | 0.13      | 0.13      | 0.14      | 0.14      |
| Trace (ppm)                      |             |               |               |           |           |           |           |           |
| Ba                               | 450         | 30            | 70            |           |           |           |           |           |
| Rb                               | 40          | 2             | 6             |           |           |           |           |           |
| Sr                               | 200         | 450           | 400           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Zr                               | 150         | 15            | 40            |           |           |           |           |           |
| Nb                               | 5.1         | 1.5           | 1.0           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Y                                | 33          | 15            | 18            |           |           |           |           |           |
| V                                | 180         | 300           | 280           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Cr                               | 45          | 140           | 75            |           |           |           |           |           |
| Ni                               | 28          | 60            | 37            |           |           |           |           |           |
| Temp. (°C)                       | 960–980     | 1170 ± 20     | 1100 ± 30     |           |           |           |           |           |
| Pressure (kb)                    | 1.9–3.5     | 1.0–4.7       | 1.0–2.9       |           |           |           |           |           |
| Water (%)                        | 1.9–3.4     | 1.3–2.8       | 1.7–2.6       |           |           |           |           |           |

All oxide values are normalized to 100% and FeO$^t$, total iron calculated as FeO.

### 5.3. Composition and T-P-H$_2$O Conditions of the Mafic End-Member Magma

As described above, Cr-Ni-MgO trends of lower and upper parts are splitting off with decreasing SiO$_2$ content, thus the mafic end-member magma composition was different between lower and upper parts. To determine the mafic end-member compositions which crystallized Fo$_{83-84}$ olivine in the lower part and Fo$_{81}$ olivine in the upper part, we used Fe-Mg exchange equilibrium K$_D$ between olivine and liquid by Sisson and Grove 1993 [33]. The ferric–ferrous ratio was calculated using the method of Sack et al. 1981 [30]. The oxygen fugacity was assumed at NNO based on Ban et al. 2008 [31] Using obtained Fe/Mg and the whole rock trends of the SiO$_2$ variation diagrams, we determined the contents of SiO$_2$ and the compositions of the other elements of the mafic end-members. We obtained bulk SiO$_2$ contents of ca. 49.4 wt% and 51.8 wt% for the mafic end-members of lower and upper parts, respectively. These are basalts. The obtained elemental compositions of the mafic end-members of lower and upper parts are presented in Table 6. Using the rhyolite-MELTS program, the temperature, pressure, and water contents were determined to be 1170 ± 20 °C, 1.0–4.7 kb, and 1.3–2.8 wt% and 1100 ± 30 °C, 1.0–2.9 kb, and 1.7–2.6 wt%, respectively, to satisfy the equilibrium precipitation of the group B phenocrysts of Fo$_{83-84}$ olivine for lower part and high-An plagioclase + Fo$_{81}$ olivine for upper part as near-liquidus phases. The calculations indicated that Fo$_{83-84}$ olivine cannot precipitate with high-An plagioclase. Fo$_{83-84}$ olivine is a solo near-liquidus phase of the mafic end-member of the lower part. Summary of the petrological features of the mafic end-member magmas is in Table 6.
The Fo-poorer character of the mafic end member magma of the upper part indicates that this magma was formed from a more mafic magma through differentiation. The more mafic magma was probably the mafic end-member magma of the lower part. In addition, the reverse zoning of Fo-poorer olivine suggests the injection of the more mafic magma (mafic end-member magma of the lower part) into the differentiating magma (mafic end-member magma of the upper part).

5.4. Formation of Mixed Magma

The Mg-rich (~78 in Mg#) rims of the reversed/unzoned type orthopyroxene and the clinopyroxene phenocrysts would be formed in the initiation of the mixing between injected mafic magma and the felsic magma. The composition of the mixing magma was heterogeneous at this stage and the Mg-rich rims precipitated from a Mg-richer mixed magma. After that, the composition of the mixed magma became homogeneous and small orthopyroxene having intermediate composition (around 70 in Mg#) (Figure 6e,f) would precipitate from the homogeneous mixed magma. The formation of the Mg-rich rims and small type orthopyroxene would be formed shortly before the eruption, because the Mg-rich rims are thin and because of the size of the small orthopyroxene.

The An-rich (An70-85) parts of plagioclase would be formed from the Mg-richer mixed magma similar to that estimated for the Mg-rich rim of pyroxenes. The An-rich parts are observed in core, thus these were formed by the injection of mafic magma in former times before the former eruptions. Thereafter, the injected mafic magma merged into surrounding felsic magma. The discontinuous oscillation and patchy textures of the oscillatory zoned plagioclase would be formed by the heating of the injected mafic magmas. The dusty texture near the margin of the plagioclase phenocrysts was formed by the injection shortly before the eruption.

The proportions of the mafic end-member component involved in this mixing were 26–65% for the lower part and 9–49% for the upper part, estimated by mass balance using whole rock compositions of the mixed rock and the two end-members.
5.5. Basic Structure of the Magma Feeding System

Many petrologic studies of calc-alkaline arc volcanoes have revealed that mafic magma from depths was injected into a shallower magma chamber and triggered an eruption. This is the case in the Kattadake pyroclastics. The injected mafic end-member magmas were basalts, having 49.4 wt% SiO$_2$ in lower part and 51.8 wt% SiO$_2$ in upper part, whereas the felsic end-member was andesite, having 59–61 wt% SiO$_2$ in both of the lower and upper parts. The depth of the felsic end-member magma was ~6 km (converted from the estimated pressure condition). The mafic magma was more mafic and hotter in the lower part than in the upper part. The higher temperature mafic magma precipitated olivine, while the lower temperature one precipitated high-An plagioclase + olivine. The former mafic magma probably ascended from much deeper region of the crust. The lower temperature mafic magma would be formed by the differentiation of the hotter magma.

We estimated the crystallinity of the felsic end-member using the phenocrystic mode diagram (Figure 9). The samples of lower and upper parts should plot on each linear trend between mafic and felsic end-members, because the rocks were formed by the binary mixing. SiO$_2$ contents of the mafic end-members were estimated to be 49.5 wt% and 51.5 wt%, respectively, as described above, and both of these have a few percentages of phenocrysts. In Figure 9, we drew linear trends that start at each mafic end-member and pass through each plots of lower and upper parts. The crystallinities of the felsic magmas are equivalent to the y-axis values of the trends when the SiO$_2$ is in the range (59 to 61 wt%) of the estimated felsic end-member. These are 30–36% for the lower and 46–56% for the upper part. These crystallinities indicate that the felsic chambers were in or near crystal mush condition (Marsh 1989) [25].

![Figure 9. Phenocryst mode-SiO$_2$ diagram of rocks from Kattadake pyroclastics.](image)

5.6. Reactivation of Shallow Chamber of the Kattadake Pyroclastics

Schematic image of magma plumbing system of the Kattadake pyroclastics is presented in Figure 10. The repeated injections of the mafic magmas (having olivine with or without An-rich plagioclase) reactivated the felsic magma (having Mg and An poor pyroxenes and plagioclase) which was in or near a mush condition.
6. Conclusions

We investigated representative samples of lower and upper parts of the Kattadake pyroclastics of the Zao volcano (NE Japan). A petrological examination revealed the mixed nature and the compositional structure of the magma plumbing system which fed the mixed magma.
All rocks are mixed rocks of felsic and mafic magmas. The composition of the felsic magma was common during the entire activity, whereas that of the mafic magma was more mafic in the lower part than in upper part. The felsic magma (59–61 wt% SiO₂) was already in a highly crystallized state and situated at ca. 6 km in depth. Orthopyroxene (Mg# = 61–67), clinopyroxene (Mg# = 67–71), and An-poor plagioclase (An ca.58–70) were located in this shallow chamber. The mafic magma (ca. 49.4 wt% SiO₂ in the lower part and ca. 51.8 wt% SiO₂ in the upper part) having olivine with or without plagioclase was injected into the shallow chamber. Through the injections, the mixed magmas were formed. The estimated temperature of mafic magma is higher in the lower part than in the upper part. In accordance with this, the estimated crystallinity of the felsic magma before the mixing was lower in the lower part than in the upper part. In contrast, the mafic magma contribution was higher in the upper part than in the lower part. These relationships indicate that the hotter mafic magma in the lower part warmed up the felsic magma more effectively before mixing, which reduced the crystallinity of the felsic magma. Therefore, a smaller fraction of mafic magma was necessary to form the erupted mixed magma in the lower part.

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