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## Chemistry and stability of phase H in the lower mantle

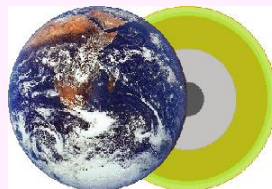
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### Abstract

Previous experimental and theoretical studies show that the high-pressure forms of hydrous silicates (dense hydrous magnesium silicates, DHMS) and  $\delta$ -AlOOH play important roles in transportation of water into the deep Earth's interior via subduction of oceanic slabs. We recently found the new dense hydrous silicate, phase H ( $\text{MgSiH}_2\text{O}_4$ ), at pressures above  $\sim 40$  GPa using multianvil technology combined with sintered diamond anvils and theoretical calculations [Tsuchiya, 2013; Nishi et al., 2014]. Phase H –  $\delta$ -AlOOH solid solution can deliver significant amount of water to the deeper regions of the lower mantle and probably to core-mantle boundary ( $\sim 2900$  km depth)[Ohira et al., 2014]. However, previous studies were based on the simple  $\text{MgO-SiO}_2\text{-Al}_2\text{O}_3\text{-H}_2\text{O}$  system, and the effect of the other component on the stability of phase H have not been reported. Here I show the possible chemical compositions of hydrous silicate phase H coexisting perovskite in the multi-component systems. We used natural antigorite and chlorite, and mixed oxide powder as starting materials. Based on the experimental results, the effect of Fe on the stability of phase H will be discussed.