

73131
 Soil (or soil clod)
 238 grams



Figure 1: Photo of sample location 73130. AS17-138-21097

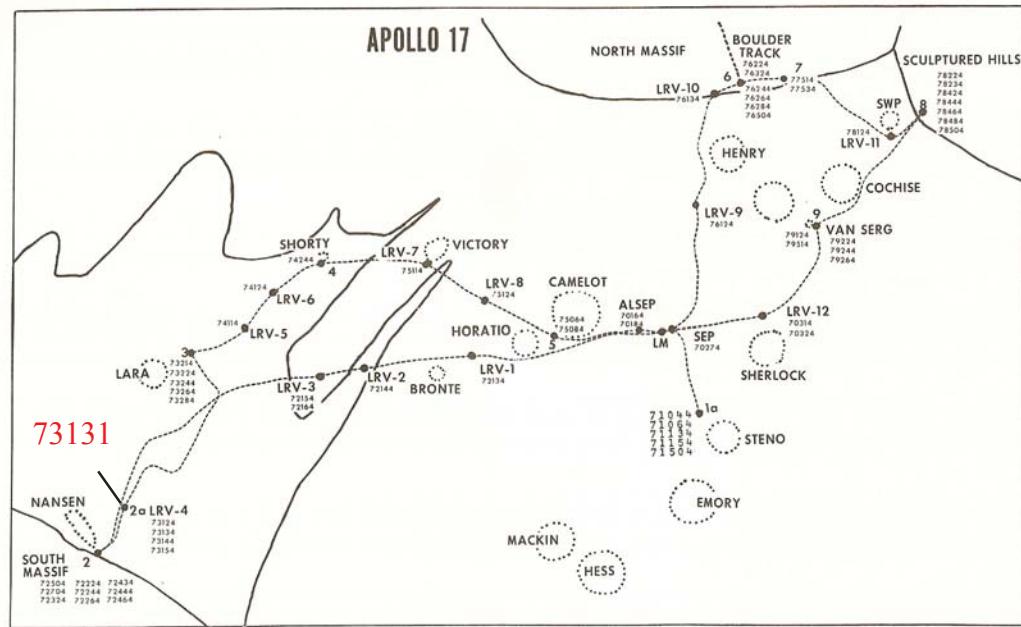


Figure 2: Location of soil sample 73130 at LRV-4 on Apollo 17 map (Meyer 1973). S73-24071

Table 1. Chemical composition of 73131.

reference	Korotev92	Eldridge74	
weight			
SiO ₂ %			
TiO ₂			
Al ₂ O ₃			
FeO	6.87	7.18	(a)
MnO			
MgO			
CaO			
Na ₂ O	0.437	0.431	(a)
K ₂ O		0.14	(b)
P ₂ O ₅			
S %			
sum			
Sc ppm	14.5	15.1	(a)
V			
Cr	1240	1290	(a)
Co	20.3	25.5	(a)
Ni	157	227	(a)
Cu			
Zn			
Ga			
Ge ppb			
As			
Se			
Rb			
Sr	147	146	(a)
Y			
Zr	210	190	(a)
Nb			
Mo			
Ru			
Rh			
Pd ppb			
Ag ppb			
Cd ppb			
In ppb			
Sn ppb			
Sb ppb			
Te ppb			
Cs ppm			
Ba	190	167	(a)
La	17.8	17.1	(a)
Ce	46.8	44	(a)
Pr			
Nd	22	26	(a)
Sm	6.76	7.02	(a)
Eu	1.18	1.18	(a)
Gd			
Tb	1.3	1.35	(a)
Dy			
Ho			
Er			
Tm			
Yb	5.01	5.14	(a)
Lu	0.691	0.708	(a)
Hf	5.34	5.27	(a)
Ta	0.65	0.69	(a)
W ppb			
Re ppb			
Os ppb			
Ir ppb	4.2	7.3	(a)
Pt ppb			
Au ppb	2.3	2.9	(a)
Th ppm	2.5	2.56	(a)
U ppm	0.76	0.71	(a)
		0.63	(b)

technique: (a) INAA, (b) radaiton count.

Introduction

Sample 73130 was collected as a “soil clod” from the bottom of a small, fresh crater. The astronauts referred to it as “instant rock”, and sure enough it completely broke up during transit.

Petrography

Morris (1978) reported the maturity index ($\text{Is}/\text{FeO} = 16$), which is way immature ! The sample has very low FeO (Korotev and Kremser (1992)).

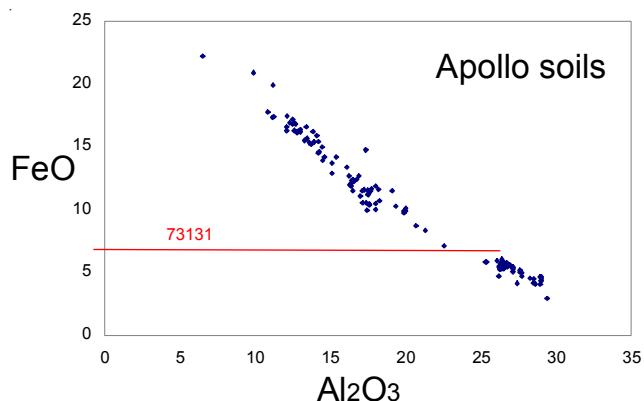


Figure 3: FeO content for 73131 compared with other Apollo soils.

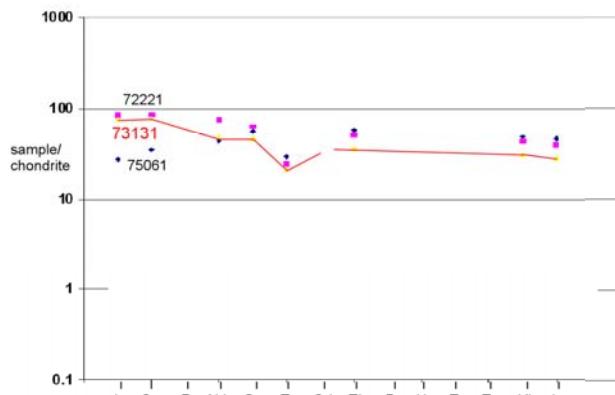
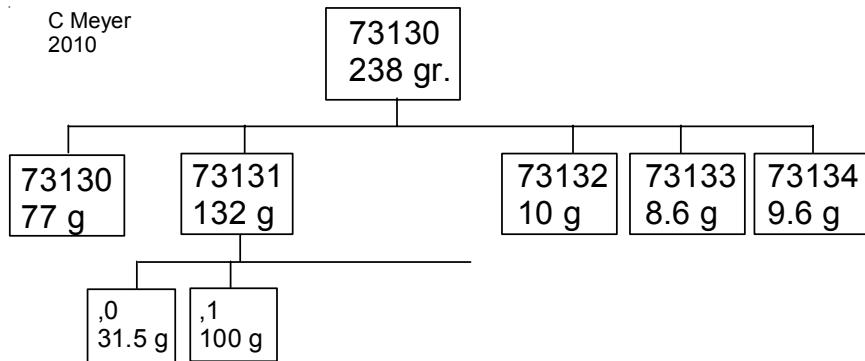


Figure 4: Normalized rare-earth-element diagram for 73131 compared with mare and highland soils.



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