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Supporting Information (SI) Appendix Persistence and origin of the lunar core dynamo

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1. Previous paleomagnetic studies of high-K mare basalts

During the Apollo era, paleomagnetic studies were carried out on at least six high-K basalts: 10017, 10022, 10024, 10049, 10057, and 10069. 10022 was thermally demagnetized (49), but the lack of published directional data precludes the identification of magnetization components. 10024 was found to carry an intense soft overprint and a higher coercivity component blocked from 5 to at least 50 mT, but spurious demagnetization effects prevented a detailed characterization of the latter (1). Similarly, 10057 was found to contain a soft overprint and a higher coercivity component from 9 to >18 mT, but a high-quality paleointensity value could not be obtained because the sample was not fully demagnetized (50, 51). 10069 was only demagnetized to \leq 7 mT before thermal demagnetization was attempted, at which point the sample irreversibly altered (49).

Because so many lunar rocks have poor magnetic recording properties (52), we decided to focus on two samples that appeared to be unusually well-behaved during previous AF demagnetization experiments: 10017 and 10049 (Fig. S1 and Table S6). The natural remanent magnetization (NRM) of 10017 was studied by three groups (13-16). Initial reports identified a directionally stable magnetization component during alternating field (AF) demagnetization of subsample 10017,64 up to 50 mT (13). Further investigation of subsample 10017,27 isolated a directionally stable component of magnetization between 7.5 mT and 48 mT, for which a paleointensity of 70 µT was obtained using the anhysteretic remanent magnetization (ARM) method with a calibration factor $f' = 1.34$ (see Section 6) (14). Thermal demagnetization of subsample 10017,30 was attempted, but no paleointensity could be retrieved as its NRM was completely destroyed by heating to 300°C and decayed during AF demagnetization differently from a laboratory-induced thermoremanent magnetization (TRM) (15). These data were interpreted as indicating that its magnetization may not be a total TRM (15). However, subsequent thermal demagnetization experiments by Hoffman et al. (16) strongly suggested that 10017 alters irreversibly during heating at even these low temperatures. Hoffman et al. (16) also observed a remarkably stable magnetization in the coercivity range of 50-100 mT during AF demagnetization of subsample 10017,135 which yielded a Shaw paleointensity of 71 μ T and an ARM paleointensity of 93 μ T using a corrected factor f'_{corr} = 0.94 (16). Although these early studies suggest that 10017 is a promising candidate for renewed AF analyses, none of the these studies fully demagnetized the samples due to technical limitations, no mutually oriented samples were measured, and the NRM was not compared to pressure remanent magnetization (PRM, as an analog of shock remanent magnetization), viscous remanent magnetization (VRM), and isothermal remanent magnetization (IRM). Furthermore, detailed thermochronology and cooling history studies were not conducted.

Two mutually oriented samples of 10049 were previously studied: 10049,14.1 and 10049,14.3 (17). A unidirectional, origin-trending mid-coercivity component was identified between 20 and 50 mT for subsamples 14.1 and 14.3. Paleointensities of \sim 4 and \sim 10 μ T, respectively, were determined using the residual REM method after demagnetization to 20 mT. Thermal methods were attempted but extensive sample alteration occurred.

Fig. S1. (**A, B**) Photographs of 30 µm thin sections of 10017,62 (**A**) and 10049,40 (**B**) in transmitted light with crossed polarizers. Plagioclase is visible as light gray laths. Pyroxene is large phenocrysts displaying high order interference colors. The pictured areas are 2 mm wide. (**C-F**) BSEM images of 30 µm thin sections. (**C**) Context image showing plagioclase (plag), pyroxene (pyx), ilmenite (ilm), and K-rich glass in section 10017,62. Blue circles indicate microprobe spots. White boxes shows region magnified in (**D**) and (**E**). (**C**) Magnified image of K-rich glass and surrounding phases. (**E**) Magnified image of troilite-kamacite assemblages. (**F**) Context image showing plagioclase, pyroxene, ilmenite, troilite and iron assemblages, and K-rich glass in section 10049,40.

2. Sample preparation

Our paleomagnetic measurements were acquired on samples 10017,378 and 10049,102, which were chipped off from the non-space weathered interiors of parent samples 10017,15 and 10049,0 using a non-magnetic stainless steel hammer and chisel at the NASA Johnson Space Center (JSC). A recent investigation at JSC revealed that neither parent sample has been cut with a circular saw (which is suspected of having heated some lunar samples) and in fact 10049 has never been cut with a saw at all at JSC. The subsamples were shipped in a magnetically shielded case to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) Paleomagnetism Laboratory (http://web.mit.edu/paleomag) and stored in a magnetically shielded (DC field <150 nT), class \sim 10,000 clean room for \geq 6 months before the first measurements were performed. With the exception of 10017,378-10 and -11 described below, nearly all subsequent sample handling was performed in the magnetically shielded clean room at MIT. Microscopy and microprobe measurements were acquired on 30 μ m thin sections of 10017,62 and 10049,40 (Fig. S1).

Sample 10017,378 (5.95 g) was cut into 2 pieces labeled P1 (3.894 g) and P2 (1.829 g). P2 was then cut with a wire saw or broken into 10 subsamples: 378-1 (105 mg), fragment 378-1f (31

mg), 378-2 (241 mg), 378-3 (221 mg), 378-4 (201 mg), 378-5 (220 mg), 378-6 (133 mg), 378-7 (251 mg), 378-8 (199 mg), and 378-9 (41 mg). P1 was cut into 2 pieces: P1A (1.995 g) and P1B (1.800 g). P1A was stored for later studies. P1B was cut into 3 subsamples with a wire saw: 378- 10 (407 mg), 378-11 (734 mg), and 378-12 (565 mg). All subsamples are mutually oriented except 378-1f. Sample 10049,102 (2.19 g) was cut into 3 mutually oriented subsamples: 102-1 (221.3 mg), 102-2 (307.8 mg) and 102-3 (47.2 mg).

Before measurements, the samples were glued to nonmagnetic GE 124 quartz disks with nonmagnetic cyanoacrylate cement. All samples were analyzed in the MIT Paleomagnetism Laboratory with the exception of 10017 subsamples 378-10 and 378-11 which were analyzed independently at the University of California (UC) Santa Cruz Paleomagnetism Laboratory. Before measurement, these samples were glued to non-magnetic plastic boxes with nonmagnetic cyanoacrylate cement.

3. Methods

At MIT, we conducted room temperature three-axis alternating field (AF) demagnetization using a 2G Enterprises Superconducting Rock Magnetometer 755 (sensitivity $\sim 1 \times 10^{-12}$ Am²) equipped with a robotic sample handling system (53) (Figs. 1, S2 and S3). This method was chosen rather than thermal demagnetization because heating was shown to permanently alter samples (as previously observed for 10017; see Section 2). AF demagnetization also has the advantage of efficiently removing secondary low field IRM due to sample handling (3, 25), which is restricted to low coercivity grains but can be blocked up to the Curie point. However, acquisition of spurious ARM noise and gyroremanent magnetization (GRM) are two disadvantages of AF demagnetization (52, 54). To reduce spurious ARM noise, we made repeat AF applications (between 5-11 times depending on the field) and calculated the vector mean for each field level. Moment measurements were made after AF application along each of the three orthogonal axes to reduce the effects of GRM [following the Zijderveld-Dunlop method (6, 54)]. To rule out induced fields as a source of the measured magnetization, subsample 378-6 was measured with a different orientation from all other subsamples. NRM magnetization directions were characterized using principal component analysis (PCA) (55).

The two samples of 10017 analyzed at UC Santa Cruz were first demagnetized up to 99 mT with a Schonstedt tumbling AF demagnetizer. The samples were demagnetized 3-5 times at each AF level, and the results were averaged together to reduce noise. From 99-180 mT, the samples were 3-axis AF demagnetized and the Zijderveld-Dunlop method was used to reduce the effects of GRM. Above 99 mT, each AF level was repeated 3-5 times to reduce noise. All of these measurements were performed with a 2G Enterprises Superconducting Rock Magnetometer (sensitivity $\sim 1 \times 10^{-11}$ Am²).

Fig. S2. AF demagnetization of additional subsamples of 10017 and 10049. Shown is a two-dimensional projection of the NRM vectors of subsamples 10017,378-1, 10017,378-2, 10017,378-6, 10017,378-7 and 10049,102-3 during AF demagnetization. Solid (open) symbols represent end points of magnetization projected onto the Y-Z (X-Y) planes for 10017, and onto the Y'-Z' (X'-Z') planes for 10049. Peak fields for selected AF steps are labeled in mT. Red arrows denote HC component directions determined from principal component analyses (PCA). The mass of each subsample is listed below the sample name. (**A**) Subsample 10017,378-6. (**B**) Subsample 10017,378-2. (**C**) Subsample 10017,378-1. (**D**) Subsample 10017,378-7. (**E**) Subsample 10049,102-3.

Fig. S3. High-field AF demagnetization. Shown is a two-dimensional projection of the NRM vector during AF demagnetization. Solid (open) symbols represent end points of magnetization projected onto the Y-Z (X-Y) planes for 10017, and onto the Y'-Z' (X'-Z') planes for 10049. Peak fields for selected AF steps are labeled in mT. (**A**) Subsample 10017,378-2. (**B**) Subsample 10017,378-8. (**C**) Subsample 10017,378-3. (**D**) Subsample 10049,102-2.

4. Paleointensity experiments

Following demagnetization, the samples were subjected to paleointensity experiments (Fig. S4 and Table S2). Although Thellier-Thellier heating experiments could potentially provide the best estimates for paleointensities of TRM, they involve heating the samples which alters the magnetic mineralogy, precluding accurate recovery of the paleointensity. Therefore, we used roomtemperature methods that provide an estimate of the paleofield by comparing the demagnetization of the NRM with the demagnetization of a laboratory-induced magnetization (6, 56). The IRM method, in which the samples are submitted to a strong field up to the maximum coercivity of the HC component and AF demagnetized, gives an estimate of the paleointensity with the following formula:

IRM paleointensity in μ T = (Δ NRM/ Δ IRM) × *a*

A typical value of $a = 3000$ was used (19). The ARM method, for which and ARM of known bias field is imparted and AF demagnetized, gives an estimate of the paleointensity with the following formula:

ARM paleointensity in μ T = (Δ NRM/ Δ ARM) / $f \times$ bias field

Fig. S4. Paleointensity experiments. AF demagnetization of NRM is plotted as a function of AF demagnetization of ARM acquired in laboratory DC bias fields of 50 µT, or 100 µT and AF field of 85 mT (**A-F**), or as a function of AF demagnetization of a strong field IRM (**G-L**). Data points from LC and HC components are represented with solid and open symbols, respectively. (**A**) Subsample 10017,378-2. (**B**) Subsample 10017,378-3. (**C**) Subsample 10017,378-7. (**D**) Subsample 10017,378-8. (**E**) Subsample 10049,102-1. (**F**) Subsample 10049,102-2. (**G**) Subsample 10017,378-2. (**H**) Subsample 10017,378-3. (**I**) Subsample 10017,378-7. (**J**) Subsample 10017,378-8. (**K**) Subsample 10049,102-1. (**L**) Subsample 10049,102-2.

The greatest source of uncertainty in this method is for the value of f' , as this factor is sampledependent and not easily determined due to alteration during heating. We used $f = 1.34$, similar to the value experimentally measured for 10017 by ref. (16) (see Section 1); most rocks have been observed to have f' within a factor of 3-5 of this value (57-61). The resulting paleointensities were then corrected for sample magnetic anisotropy (see Section 10 and Table S3).

Using the AF demagnetization data from ref. (17), we computed the paleointensities for subsample 10049,14.3 using the same method. We obtained paleointensities of $22 \pm 6 \mu T$ for the 20-50 mT coercivity range with the ARM method and \sim 32 μ T for the 20-30 mT coercivity range with the IRM method. Subsample 10049,14.1 yielded paleointensities of \sim 11 μ T for the 20-50 mT coercivity range with the IRM method. These values are significantly higher than the \sim 4 μ T obtained by NRM/IRMs normalization reported by this study and used to make the argument that the lunar dynamo was not active during the formation of this rock. The difference between our results and the values reported comes from the fact that we used the REM' method (19) to calculate the paleointensity rather than total NRM/IRMs normalization. The newly computed values are within error of our new measurements (Table S2) given the uncertainty of the IRM and ARM methods.

5. Paleointensity fidelity experiments

The majority of lunar rocks exhibit nonideal behaviors during AF demagnetization, acquiring spurious remanence at high fields that can mask the underlying NRM and yield inaccurate paleointensity values (52). To determine the ability of 10017 and 10049 to record magnetic fields, we conducted artificial paleointensity experiments on subsamples 10017,378-8 and 10049,102-1 following ref. (52).

Fig. S5. Recovered paleointensities versus TRM-equivalent applied laboratory field (triangles). Perfect agreement is shown by dashed line of slope 1. Actual paleointensities for HC component of NRM using the ARM method with 100 µT and 50 µT bias fields are shown by horizontal lines. (**A**) Subsample 10017,378-8. (**B**) Subsample 10049,102-1.

We applied multiple ARMs using an AC field of 85 mT and DC bias fields of 10, 20, 50, and 100 µT, and carried out AF demagnetization after each ARM application. We then computed the paleointensity using the same method as that used for the NRM: the moment lost at each AF step was compared to the ARM gained in a 200 μ T DC field at the same AF step. We found that we could retrieve applied TRM-equivalent paleointensities in the range of the average observed NRM paleointensity (50-100 μ T) (Table S4) with 1-10% accuracy (Fig. S5 and Table S4) for both samples.

6. Rock magnetism

The room-temperature hysteresis properties of subsamples 10017,378-3 and 10049,102-1 were measured with a PMC Vibrating Sample Magnetometer VSM with a peak field of 1 T (noise level of 10⁻⁹ Am²) at Centre Européen de Recherche et d'Enseignement (CEREGE) in Aix-en-Provence, France. The high-field slope (between 1 and 0.95 T) of the hysteresis loop was used to estimate the contribution of paramagnetic and diamagnetic minerals and this contribution was subtracted from the loops to recover the ferromagnetic contribution. The results (Fig. S6 and Table S5) indicate ratios of saturation remanence to saturation magnetization $(M_{r\gamma}/M_s)$ and coercivity of remanence to coercivity (B_{cr}/B_c) characteristic of a mean grain size in the multidomain range (62).

Fig. S6. Room temperature hysteresis loops after subtraction of paramagnetic and diamagnetic contributions. Shown is the sample moment as a function of applied field. (**A**) Subsample 10017,378-8. (**B**) Subsample 10049,102-1.

Samples 10017,378-1 and 10049,102-1 were given stepwise ARM in increasing DC bias fields from 0.2 to 2 mT in a peak AC field of 200 mT (Fig. S7) to infer the degree of magnetostatic interactions in the samples (63). Following ARM acquisition, the ARM was then stepwise AF demagnetized; the samples were then given an IRM in a field of 200 mT that was also subsequently stepwise AF demagnetized. Back field experiments were also conducted in which a 1 T IRM was applied and then oppositely oriented fields of progressively increasing strength were applied until the sample moment reached zero. Sample 10017,378-2 and 10049,102-1 were also subjected to progressive IRM acquisition (Fig. S8). IRM acquisition, back field IRM, and AF demagnetization of IRM data are indicators of the coercivity spectrum of the sample. The field at which IRM acquisition and AF demagnetization of IRM curves intersect is indicative of B_{cr} , as is the back field value at which the remanence goes to zero. The comparison of normalized curves of AF demagnetization of ARM and IRM (Fig. S9) constitutes the Lowrie-Fuller test, an indicator of grain size and stress state (64, 65). The Lowrie-Fuller test indicates that 10017 exhibits high-field-type (IRM more stable than ARM) behavior, consistent with kamacite (Table S7) in the pseudo single domain to multidomain size range. IRM acquisition and demagnetization data (Fig. S8) and *B_{cr}* values are consistent with the presence of multidomain kamacite [and not the high coercivity mineral tetrataenite (66, 67)] as the dominant ferromagnetic phase in 10017 and 10049. ARM susceptibility values (Fig. S7) indicate that 10017 and 10049 contain moderately interacting multidomain grains.

Fig. S7. ARM acquisition experiments on samples 10017,378-1 (black circles) and 10049,102-1 (white circles). Shown is the ratio of ARM and acquired in a 200 mT AC field and IRM acquired in a 200 mT DC field, as a function of DC bias field. Upper dotted curve is that of highly interacting chiton tooth magnetite and lower dotted curve is noninteracting magnetite in magnetotactic bacteria (116).

Fig. S8. IRM acquisition and demagnetization experiments. f_{SIRM} = fraction of IRM acquired/remaining. (A) IRM acquisition and AF demagnetization of IRM for subsample 10017,378-2. Both curves are normalized to the highestfield IRM value. (**B**) IRM acquisition and AF demagnetization of IRM for subsample 10049,102-1. Both curves are normalized to the highest-field IRM value. (**C**) Field derivative of AF demagnetization of IRM and of IRM acquisition for subsample 10017,378-2. (**D**) Field derivative of AF demagnetization of IRM and of IRM acquisition for subsample 10049,102-1.

Fig. S9. AF demagnetization of samples 10017,378-3 (**G, H**) and 10049,102-1 (**I, J**). Shown is the intensity of NRM during AF demagnetization compared to that of various forms of laboratory-induced magnetization: ARM acquired in a 85 mT AC field and 0.2 mT DC bias field, IRM acquired in a 200 mT field, and PRM acquired in a field of 0.8 mT at a pressure of 2 GPa. (**G, I**) Magnetization normalized to initial (undemagnetized) step to emphasize comparison between LC component and laboratory magnetizations. (**H, J**) Magnetization normalized to 10 mT AF step to emphasize comparison between HC component and laboratory magnetizations.

7. PRM experiments

PRM experiments were conducted at CEREGE. The subsamples were placed in a Teflon cup filled with polyethylsiloxane fluid (68) and inserted in a non-magnetic pressure vessel. A coil was mounted around the vessel to generate a magnetic field of 0.8 mT. The sample was pressurized in this field using a press and then the pressure was slowly released over \sim 1 min. The sample was then AF demagnetized. These experiments were conducted at 0.2, 0.6, 1.2, 1.6 and 2.0 GPa for 378-3 and at 0.8, 1.2, 1.6 and 2 GPa for 102-1. We observed a roughly linear relationship between the acquired total PRM intensity and pressure (Fig. S10). We used linear regressions to estimate both the total PRM and the PRM demagnetized to 10 mT that would be produced by a 5 GPa shock in a 0.8 mT field (Fig. S10). These values allow us to calculate a lower limit for the paleofield intensity that would have been necessary to produce the observed LC and HC components (e.g., NRM blocked above and below AF 10 mT) assuming they are 5 GPa PRMs:

Paleofield (LC) = lab field \times [NRM - NRM(AF 10 mT)]/[PRM(5 GPa) - PRM(5 GPa, 10 mT)] Paleofield (HC) = lab field \times NRM(AF 10 mT)/PRM(5 GPa, 10 mT)

where NRM(AF 10 mT) and PRM(5 GPa, 10 mT) are the NRM and 5 GPa PRM after demagnetization to 10 mT, respectively.

Fig. S10. PRM acquisition experiments. Shown is the PRM intensity as a function of applied pressure (acquired in a 0.8 mT field. Empty circles are PRM normalized by the AF 0 mT step and filled circles are normalized by the AF 10 mT step. Solid lines are best fit linear regression to data. Extrapolation yields a maximum estimate of the PRM acquired at 5 GPa (stars). (**A**) Subsample 10017,378-3. (**B**) Subsample 10049,102-1.

8. Magnetic viscosity experiments

We seek to determine whether (a) the NRMs of 10017 and 10049 were contaminated by VRM acquired during their 40 year exposure to the geomagnetic field since return to Earth and (b) how much of this VRM subsequently decayed during storage in our shielded room prior to our NRM measurements. With this goal, samples 10017,378-3 and 10049,102-2 were placed in the Earth's magnetic field $(\sim 50 \text{ uT})$ for 57 and 26 days, respectively. The samples were returned to the shielded room $(\leq 150 \text{ nT})$ and their magnetizations repeatedly measured over a period of ~ 10 days. This experiment was repeated on the same two samples with acquisition times of 6 days and 5 days, respectively.

We found that the samples acquired weak VRM: sample 10017 acquired 7.33×10^{-11} Am² after 6 days and 1.06×10^{-10} Am² after 57 days, equivalent to 1.9% and 2.7% of the NRM, respectively. Sample 10049 acquired 7.94×10^{-11} Am² after 5 days and 1.07×10^{-10} Am² after 26 days, equivalent to 2.3% and 3.1% of the NRM, respectively. The acquisition rate we measured – $\sim 5 \times 10^{-8}$ Am²/kg/log(s) – is higher than the $\sim 7 \times 10^{-8}$ Am²/kg/log(s) (normalized to the Earth's field) obtained in ref. (17). However their experiment was very different: the acquisition was measured over a period of 1.5 hours only in a 1 mT field. We observed that over the time period of our experiments, the decay rates for both samples was approximately linear in log(time), and the magnetizations returned toward the initial direction. From these experiments, we can estimate the VRM acquisition rate in the Earth's magnetic field and the decay rate of the VRM in a shielded environment: assuming that acquisition and decay rates can be approximated as linear in log(time), these results give an acquisition rate of 3.0×10^{-11} Am² per log(s) and a decay rate of at least - 1.28×10^{-11} Am² per log(s) for 10017, and an acquisition rate of 3.0×10^{-11} Am² per log(time) unit and a decay rate of -1.59 \times 10⁻¹¹ Am² per log(s) for 10049.

The measured acquisition rate permits an estimation of the magnitude of the VRM acquired in the geomagnetic field since arrival on Earth 40 years ago assuming the samples were in fixed positions with respect to the field during this period $\log(\text{time}) = 9.1 \log(s)$ (Fig. S11). Because the actual functional form of the VRM decay rate is unknown for periods outside the timescale of our experiment, as a minimum bound, we fit the data assuming a linear rate in log(time). The measured decay rate was then used to estimate how much of this 40-year VRM subsequently would have decayed after \sim 6 months (for 10017) and \sim 15 months (for 10049) in the shielded room prior to our first NRM measurements.

Fig. S11. VRM experiments. Samples were stored in the Earth's magnetic field (~50 µT) and then returned to our shielded room (<150 nT) where their moments were semi-continuously measured (diamonds). The 40-year acquisition was estimated assuming linear acquisition rates in log(time) based on 6 and 57 days experiments for 10017, and 5 and 26 days for 10049. The VRM remaining after the decay period in our shielded room was estimated assuming linear decay in log(time) based on the decay measurements. (**A**) Sample 10017,378-3: VRM decay after 57 days acquisition (upper) and 6 days acquisition (lower). The solid line is the least-square logarithmic fit used as a lower limit for the decay rate. (**B**) Sample 10049,102-2: VRM decay after 26 days acquisition. The solid line is the least-square logarithmic fit. (**C**) Estimation of VRM remaining after a \sim 40 year acquisition period followed by a \sim 6 month decay period for 10017,378-3. (**D**) Estimation of VRM remaining after a \sim 40 year acquisition period followed by a \sim 15 month decay period for 10049,102-2.

9. Electron microprobe analysis and imaging

To determine the ferromagnetic mineralogies and late-stage cooling rates of the lunar samples, we conducted electron microprobe analyses and backscattered electron microscopy (BSEM) in the MIT Electron Microprobe Facility on 30 µm thin sections 10017,62 and 10049,40 (Fig. S1 and Tables S7-S13). We used a JEOL 8200 microprobe with 15 keV accelerating voltage, 10 nA beam current, and a spot size less than 1 µm. Raw analytical data were reduced using the $\varphi(\rho z)$ algorithm (69) implemented by Paul Carpenter as CITZAF (70) in the JEOL software. Matrix corrections for oxides use the Armstrong correction (71) and metals use the XPP correction (72).

The cooling timescale was determined using equation (1) of ref. (20). The published equation contains a typo and should be:

 log_{10} (plag width, mm) = -0.66 log_{10} (cooling rate, °C/hr) - 1.23

10. Anisotropy of remanence

Paleomagnetic directions and paleointensity values inferred from samples with strong remanence anisotropy can be biased if this anisotropy is not taken into account. To assess this possibility, we measured the ARM anisotropy of all samples (Table S3). We applied an ARM (85 mT AC field

with 0.1 mT DC field) in three orthogonal directions to construct an anisotropy matrix and then solved for the principal axes of the anisotropy ellipsoid following refs. (73, 74).

We found that our subsamples of 10017,378 have anisotropy degrees, *P*, between 1.05 and 1.28, and shape factors, *T*, between –0.61 and –0.04. Subsamples of 10049 have *P* values between 1.06 and 1.10 and *T* values between –0.14 and 0.17.

Following ref. (75) we calculated the ancient field direction (*Banc*) by multiplying the measured HC direction by the ARM anisotropy tensor. The ratio of the remanence acquired in a unit field parallel to the ancient field to the remanence acquired in a unit field in the laboratory field direction defines the ratio *r*. Dividing the paleointensity by *r* yields the anisotropy-corrected paleointensity. These values are very similar to the uncorrected values (Table S2).

$11. \ ^{40}\text{Ar} \star \text{/}^{39}\text{Ar}_{\text{K}}$ and $\ ^{38}\text{Ar}_{\text{cos}} \text{/}^{37}\text{Ar}_{\text{Ca}}$ thermochronology

11.1 Previous studies

Because 10017 was the largest lunar rock sample brought back during the Apollo 11 mission, subsamples were widely distributed for radiochronology and noble gas measurements. As a result, there is a tremendous amount of previous data available for radiometric ages and cosmic ray exposure ages (Tables S14-S16). We begin by summarizing these early results to contextualize our new measurements described later. The reported apparent exposure and radioisotopic ages were taken directly from the literature and have not been modified for currently accepted production rates and decay constants.

K/Ar ages of whole rock samples were found to be in the range of 2-2.6 Ga, while plagioclase separates have older ages of ~ 3.2 Ga. This was interpreted as indicating loss of Ar (76). A similar conclusion was reached from ⁴⁰Ar/³⁹Ar measurements (35, 77, 78), as the loss of ~48% of the initial 40 Ar content was necessary to explain the discrepancy between low temperature and high temperature release data. Because the age plateau was not reached during these experiments, the authors estimated a minimum crystallization age of 3.2 Ga. Other early studies observed Rb/Sr crystallization ages in the range of 3.4-3.78 Ga $(32, 76, 79-85)$, 83 Kr $/{}^{81}$ Kr apparent ages of 2.6-2.8 Ga (86, 87), and U/Th ages of 2.55 Ga (88). U-Th-Pb analyses (85, 89, 90) gave discordant ages in the range of 3.6-4.0 Ga, which indicates that the U/Pb system has been disturbed. Finally, recent Sm/Nd measurements yielded a crystallization age of \sim 3.67 \pm 0.069 Ga (85).

Exposure ages were determined using different methods: $340-640$ Ma for 38 Ar data (77, 86, 87, 91-93), 449-510 Ma for 81 Kr $/{}^{83}$ Kr data (86, 87, 94, 95), 290-375 Ma for 3 He data (88, 91-93), 340-387 Ma for ²¹Ne data (88, 92, 93), 340 Ma for ²²Na-²²Ne data (96), and 320-340 for ¹²⁶Xe data (93). 10017 also displays the strongest Gd anomaly of the Apollo 11 samples (95, 97) which indicates that this sample has been exposed to a stronger thermal neutron flux. Depth profiles of numerous cosmogenic radionuclides were also measured within 10017 (98, 99). Cosmic ray tracks indicate a near-surface $(< -3$ cm depth) exposure age of 5-11 Ma (100-103) (Table S15). These results are best explained by residence at somewhere >~3 cm and <~3 m depth for the last ~several hundred My followed by ejection to the near-surface (\leq 3 cm depth) at \sim 5-11 Ma (104-106).

Radiometric and exposure ages for 10049 are listed in Table S15. Apparent K/Ar ages are in the range of 2.6-3.2 Ga $(84, 88, 92)$. High temperature ⁴⁰Ar-³⁹Ar data gives a crystallization age of 3.4 Ga (32). Apparent U/Th ages are in the range of 2.0-2.9 Ga (88, 92). Noble gas and spallation track exposure ages in the range of 21-36 Ma were determined using ${}^{38}Ar$, ${}^{3}He$ and ${}^{21}Ne$ data (84, 88, 92, 103). As the latter ages are similar to its surface exposure age, in the range of 21- 36 Ma, 10049 does not show evidence of pre-irradiation in depth before excavation and apparently was excavated to the surface at 20-40 Ma (101-103).

11.2. Analytical results

Two whole-rock aliquots of 10049 and 10017 (denoted A and B for each sample) were subjected to 40 Ar $/39$ Ar analyses at the Berkeley Geochronology Center following procedures described in refs. (7, 107, 108). Apparent ${}^{40}Ar/{}^{39}Ar$ ages (Fig. S12) were calculated relative to the Hb3gr standard (age $= 1081$ Ma) using the decay constants and standard calibration of ref. (33) and isotope abundances of ref. (109). Cosmogenic isotope abundances and ages were calculated following procedures described in (7, 110). The complete datasets appear in Table S17.

Low-temperature (<1000°C) extractions comprise cosmogenic isotopes degassed from both K-glass and plagioclase. In calculating the apparent cosmic ray exposure ages (Fig. 3) of individual steps, the production rate was adjusted to account for variations in the relative proportion of ${}^{38}Ar_{\text{cos}}$ derived from K-glass and plagioclase according to the following equation:

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P38_{Ca} \left(10^{-13} \frac{moles^{-38}Ar}{g-Ca \cdot Ma} \right) = 8.08 + 12.9 \left(\frac{39.1}{40.1} \cdot \left(\frac{K}{Ca} \right)_{meas} \right) + 0.44 \left(f_{Ca_{plag}} \left(\frac{[Fe]}{[Ca]} \right)_{plag} + \left(1 - f_{Ca_{plag}} \left(\frac{[Fe]}{[Ca]} \right)_{glas} \right) \right)
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where $(K/Ca)_{meas}$ is equal to $0.51 \times {^{39}Ar_K}^{37}Ar_{Ca}$, elemental concentrations (e.g., [Ca]) are in wt. % and are determined by electron probe microanalysis (EPMA; see Tables S8-S9), and the fraction of $37A_{rCa}$ derived from plagioclase is given by

$$
f_{C_{a_{\text{plagg}}}} = 1 - \left(\frac{\left(\frac{[Ca]}{[K]} \right)_{\text{plagg}} - \frac{40.1}{39.1} \cdot \left(\frac{Ca}{K} \right)_{\text{meas}}}{\left(\frac{[Ca]}{[K]} \right)_{\text{plagg}}} - \left(\frac{[Ca]}{[K]} \right)_{\text{glass}}} \right) \quad \text{(Ca/K) }_{\text{meas}} \text{ is equal to } 1.96 \times \left(\frac{37}{\text{Ar}_{\text{Ca}}}\right)^{39} \text{Ar}_{\text{K}}\text{.}
$$

The two aliquots of each sample yielded internally consistent ${}^{40}Ar^{39}Ar$ and ${}^{38}Ar^{37}Ar$ release spectra. We observe very similar apparent Ca/K spectra for 10049 and 10017, which is expected due to the common lithology and texture of these two mare basalt samples. However, we also find significant differences between the two samples. Whereas we observe agreement between the two aliquots of of each parent sample in their apparent Ca/K spectra, ${}^{40}Ar^{39}Ar$ age spectra (Fig. S12), and in the apparent cosmogenic exposure age spectra (Fig. 3), the ${}^{40}Ar^{39}Ar$ plateau ages and exposure ages of the two parent samples differ from one another.

For sample 10049, we observe plateau ages of 3564 ± 11 and 3549 ± 11 Ma (analytical uncertainties given as one standard deviation) for aliquots A and B, respectively, between \sim 25% and \sim 75% of the cumulative 37 Ar release fractions (steps 13-18). The weighted mean age of these two plateaus is 3556 ± 8 Ma. The release spectra patterns of each aliquot are very similar, we observe (i) initial step ages as young as ~1400 Ma, followed by progressive increase in ages up to the plateau values over the initial \sim 25% of ³⁷Ar release, and (ii) apparent step ages as young as \sim 3000 Ma at steps beyond a cumulative 3^7 Ar release fraction of 75%. For 10049, the apparent cosmic ray exposure ages, calculated as described above, are in good agreement at steps 13-18 (primarily derived from plagioclase) with mean exposure ages of 17.7 ± 0.2 Ma and 17.2 ± 0.2 Ma [one standard deviation uncertainties not including uncertainty on the production rate] for aliquots A and B, respectively, and a weighted mean exposure age of 17.5 ± 0.1 Ma.

For sample 10017, we observe plateau ages of 3046 ± 10 and 3028 ± 10 Ma (analytical uncertainties given as one standard deviation) for aliquots A and B, respectively, between $\sim 10\%$ and \sim 25% of the cumulative 37 Ar release fractions (steps 17-22). The weighted mean age of these two plateaus is 3037 ± 7 Ma. We also observe (i) initial step ages as young as ~1100 Ma, followed by a progressive increase in ages up to the plateau values over the initial $\sim 10\%$ of 37Ar release, and (ii) apparent step ages beyond step 22 that are in agreement with the apparent plateau ages. For 10017, the apparent cosmic ray exposure ages, calculated as described above, are in good agreement between steps 12-18 with mean exposure ages of 309.0 ± 3.7 Ma and 303.1 ± 2.3 Ma for aliquots A and B, respectively. The weighted mean exposure age these two values is 304.7 ± 2.0 Ma. All of these results are in broad agreement with previous analyses of these two samples (Table S18).

Fig. S12. ⁴⁰Ar/³⁹Ar chronometry of 10017 and 10049. Apparent Ca/K ratios (A, B) and ⁴⁰Ar/³⁹Ar ages (C, D) for each step plotted against the cumulative ³⁹Ar release fraction for 10049. (**E, F**) Same data plotted against the cumulative ³⁷Ar release fraction.

11.3. Modeling results

Diffusion coefficients (Fig. S13) were calculated following procedures described in refs. (7, 110). They reflect gas derived from multiple host phases (i.e., K-glass, plagioclase, pyroxene), each of which comprises a range of grain (domain) sizes. To reproduce the whole-rock diffusion kinetics and simulate lunar thermal histories, multi-phase, multi-domain diffusion (MP-MDD) models were fit to data obtained from aliquots 10017B and 10049B following the detailed procedure described in

ref. (7). The MP-MDD model parameters are summarized in Table S18. Additional information regarding MDD models and their applications to multi-phase samples can be found in refs. (7, 110, 111).

Fig. S13. Arrhenius plots with calculated diffusion coefficients for ³⁹Ar (large green symbols) and ³⁷Ar (large blue symbols) for 10017 (A) and 10049 (B) shown alongside the MP-MDD models (small white symbols) fit to the ³⁹Ar and ³⁷Ar data using the heating schedule of the analysis and the 4 specified domain sizes and gas fractions S18. The grey lines indicate the input diffusion kinetics of each of the four model domains. The colored, dashed lines indicate linear regressions to extractions that yielded reproducible calculated values of D/a^2 at a given temperature, which were used to constrain the E_a for Ar diffusion in K-glass (³⁹Ar steps 3-6) and plagioclase (³⁷Ar steps 3-12).

The discordant radiogenic and exposure age spectra obtained from 10017 and 10049 are indicative of thermally activated diffusive loss of ${}^{40}Ar^*$ and ${}^{38}Ar_{\text{cos}}$. Ref. (7) showed that daytime heating at the lunar surface to temperatures in excess of 100°C (112, 113) is sufficient to explain diffusive loss of $^{40}Ar^*$ and $^{38}Ar_{\text{cos}}$ manifest in spectra obtained from 10020, a comparable mare basalt. A logical question to ask is whether daytime heating can similarly explain the discordance observed in the 10017B and 10049B radiogenic and exposure age spectra. Using our MP-MDD models, we simulated the simultaneous production and diffusive loss of ${}^{40}Ar^*$ and ${}^{38}Ar_{\text{cos}}$ due to daytime heating for 303.1 \pm 2.3 and 17.5 \pm 0.1 Ma (for 10017B and 10049B, respectively) following procedures described in ref. (7). The results are shown in Fig. 3 and Fig. S14.

For 10049B, both the exposure and radioisotopic age spectra discordance can be explained by daytime heating at an effective mean (i.e., square-pulse) temperature of ~95°C (Fig. 3). Because diffusivity is an exponential function of temperature, the effective mean temperature is marginally lower (\sim 15°C in the case of 10049 and 10017)¹ than the peak temperature of the sample through the lunation cycle [see refs. (35, 114) for details regarding the lunation cycle and the relationship between the effective mean and peak temperatures, respectively]. Thus, the inferred peak daytime heating temperature is \sim 110°C. This temperature agrees remarkably well the expected peak temperature at the Apollo 11 landing site [115°C; e.g. (113, 114)] and indicates that 10049 was not buried in the regolith or significantly shadowed during its 17 Ma residence near the lunar surface. The observation that the apparent ⁴⁰Ar/³⁹Ar plateau age (3.56 ± 0.01) Ga; see Table S18) is indistinguishable from the mean inferred crystallization age of the high-K mare basalts $[3.59 \pm 0.04]$ Ga; (32)] is also consistent with a low-temperature thermal history for 10049. Thus 10049 appears

 ¹ The extent to which the effective mean temperature underestimates the peak temperature of lunar daytime heating is contingent upon on the temperature-dependence (i.e., activation energy) of the degassing phase (i.e., K-glass). For an E_a of \sim 140 kJ/mole (33 kcal/mole) the difference between the effective mean and peak temperatures is \sim 15 °C.

not to have experienced temperatures in excess of $\sim 115^{\circ}$ C (i.e., surface temperatures) since it crystallized.

For 10017B, the exposure age spectrum discordance can be explained by daytime heating, but the radioisotopic age spectrum discordance cannot. The apparent plateau observed at 3.03 Ga underestimates the inferred crystallization age $[3.59 \pm 0.04 \text{ Ga}$; (32)] by ~0.6 Ga. Lunar surface temperatures are insufficient to extensively degas $^{40}Ar^*$ from the more retentive plagioclase domains over the noble gas cosmic ray exposure age of 303.1 Ma, such that the difference between the apparent plateau and crystallization ages cannot be reconciled. Thus it appears that the K/Ar system in plagioclase was reset at \sim 3 Ga by a thermal event involving higher temperatures, giving rise to the apparent plateau observed on the $40Ar^{39}Ar$ age spectrum.

Fig. S14. The predicted effects of solar heating at the lunar surface for the last 5 Ma using the 10017 MP-MDD model. (A) The production and diffusion of ³⁸Ar_{cos}. The observed exposure ages \pm 1 standard deviation (gray boxes) are plotted against the cumulative release fraction of 37 Ar released (note the log scale). 38 Ar_{cos} was produced in-situ while 10017 was exposed at the surface of the Moon. The colored steps are model release spectra calculated using the MP-MDD model parameters shown in Table S18 and for the production and diffusion of $38A_{r_{\text{cos}}}$ assuming 10017 was subjected to various constant effective daytime temperatures ranging from 70 to 130°C during the last 5 Ma (i.e., $^{38}Ar_{\cos}$) is produced continuously over this duration, while diffusion occurs only over half of this period during elevated daytime temperatures). To the right, the reduced chi squared fit statistic for each model is shown, identifying $\sim 106.5^{\circ}$ C as the best-fit effective mean temperature. (**B**) The diffusion of ⁴⁰Ar^{*} due to solar heating, calculated assuming the crystallization age is 3.03 Ga [symbols and model parameters are the same as (**A**)].

The remaining discordance represented by individual steps with ages lower than 3 Ga can be explained by daytime heating of 10017. Assuming that the rock was submitted to daytime heating for the whole of its ~300 Ma noble gas cosmic ray exposure age, the discordance is best explained by heating at an effective mean temperature of $\sim 80^{\circ}$ C (Fig. 3), as predicted by the exposure age spectrum, too. The inferred corresponding peak daytime heating temperature of $\sim 95^{\circ}$ C is $\sim 20^{\circ}$ C lower than that expected at the Apollo 11 landing site. Interestingly, depth-dependent cosmogenic Xe isotopes in 10017 provide evidence for a period of shallow burial near the lunar surface (104), and cosmic ray tracks indicate very near-surface $(\leq 3$ cm) exposure since 5-11 Ma. This rock may therefore have been buried deep enough so as not to undergo daytime temperature cycling for part of its ~300 Ma noble gas cosmic ray exposure age until excavation at 5-11 Ma (115). Assuming that the daytime heating lasted for 5 My only, the radioisotopic age spectrum is best explained by an effective mean temperature of 105°C (Fig. S14), and the exposure age spectrum by an effective mean temperature of 108°C (Fig. S14). The average corresponding peak temperature is 121.5°C, which is in good agreement with the peak temperature expected at the Apollo 11 landing site. A longer exposure to daytime heating would result in lower temperatures, but the whole range of temperatures corresponding to exposures in the range of 5-303 Ma is consistent with the conditions at the sampling site.

Fig. 3F depicts the minimum duration-temperature conditions required to reset the most retentive plagioclase domains during the proposed 3.0 Ga thermal event. Cosmogenic Xe isotopes (95, 104, 105) indicate the possibility that at least 10017 experienced continuous exposure to slow neutrons produced by cosmic rays at modest depths $(\sim 1-5 \text{ m})$ since 3.0 Ga. However, the ³⁸Ar exposure age limits the very near surface exposure history: it must have been buried sufficiently deeply such that it was shielded from ³⁸Ar-producing cosmic rays prior to near surface exposure 300-500 Ma ago. The burial depth must have been >~3 m, where cosmogenic Xe isotopes production continues and ³⁸Ar production tapers off. Assuming a thermal diffusivity of 10^{-6} m²s⁻¹, we compute the time it takes to diffusively cool a rock from an initial temperature *T* to <100°C in the middle of a nominal 6 m thick ejecta blanket (i.e., 3 m below the surface). This will provide an upper limit on the cooling rate since porous regolith can have \sim 100 times lower diffusivity than solid rock (136). Permissible peak temperatures in thicker ejecta blankets would intersect the plagioclase resetting curve at significantly lower temperatures. As the plagioclase resetting occurs at temperatures below the Curie point of kamacite (780ºC), it is possible for a thermal event to reset the plagioclase while preserving the remanence.Most of the magnetization of rocks is carried by magnetic grains that have blocking temperatures within a few tens of degrees of the Curie point (23), so a demagnetization of grains with low blocking temperatures is expected to have only a small effect on the total magnetization. Furthermore, day-night cycling at the surface of the Moon for \sim 300 Ma and storage in zero-field in our laboratory should have allowed low blocking temperature grains to relax their magnetization (22), which means that even samples that did not go through a temperature excursion may not carry any magnetization in their low blocking temperature grains. In summary, the Ar/Ar data are permissive of but do not require complete remagnetization of 10017 at 3 Ga. However, the similarity of the paleomagnetic records of 10017 and 10049, both in coercivity range and paleointensity, supports the idea of a thermal excursion that did not reset the magnetic record of 10017.

11.4. Summary

A possible geologic history of 10049, consistent with the thermochronology data, can be summarized by the following:

- 1) Sample 10049 crystallized at \sim 3.56 Ga, as quantified by the plateau portion of the age spectrum.
- 2) After \sim 3.54 Ga of quiescence, an impact event brought 10049 to the surface at \sim 17.5 Ma, where daytime heating caused diffusive loss of both ${}^{40}Ar^*$ and ${}^{38}Ar_{\text{cos}}$.

A possible geologic history of 10017, consistent with the thermochronology, can be summarized by the following:

- 1) Sample 10017 crystallized at \sim 3.56 Ga.
- 2) At ~3.0 Ga the sample was ejected from its bedrock location and deposited in a thick, hot ejecta blanket, resulting in the diffusive loss of $40Ar^*$ and the plateau portion of the age spectrum while preserving its magnetic record in the high blocking temperature grains.
- 3) At ~305 Ma, a second impact event brought 10017 close to the surface (below 15 cm), where it was exposed to cosmic ray but protected from daytime heating.
- 4) At 5-11 Ma, a third impact event brought 10017 to the surface, where daytime heating caused diffusive loss of both ${}^{40}Ar^*$ and ${}^{38}Ar_{\text{cos}}$.

Table S1. Lunar impact craters with diameters larger than 230 km (47).

Name	Diam. (km)	Age	Lon. $(°)$	Lat. $(°)$
South Pole-Aitken	2050	Pre-Nectarian	-170.0	-54.0
Imbrium	1114	Lower Imbrian	-17.4	33.5
Crisium	1092	Nectarian	59.8	17.0
Orientale outer ring	928	Lower Imbrian	-94.6	-19.7
Nectaris	915	Nectarian	34.7	-14.5
Smythii	887	Pre-Nectarian	86.6	-1.8
Nubium	835	Pre-Nectarian	-15.4	-18.6
Serenitatis	659	Nectarian	18.9	27.0
Mendel-Rydberg	636	Nectarian	-93.7	-50.1
Moscoviense outer ring	629	Nectarian	148.8	27.5
Humboldtianum	603	Nectarian	82.0	57.2
Freundlich-Sharonov	582	Pre-Nectarian	175.0	18.3
Hertzsprung	549	Nectarian	-129.2	2.0
Apollo	476	Pre-Nectarian	-151.7	-36.1
unnamed	453	older than Nectarian	149.0	-4.9
Korolev	417	Nectarian	-157.5	-4.4
Humorum	408	Nectarian	-39.7	-24.7
Moscoviense inner ring	402	Nectarian	147.0	26.1
unnamed	394	Pre-Nectarian ^a	-158.2	13.5
Amundsen-Ganswindt	379	Pre-Nectarian	123.3	-81.1
unnamed	359	Pre-Nectarian ^a	-169.8	25.1
Schiller-Zucchius	350	Pre-Nectarian	-45.3	-55.5
Lorentz	333	Pre-Nectarian	-97.1	34.4
Mendeleev	331	Nectarian	141.1	5.4
Planck	321	Pre-Nectarian	135.1	-57.4
Ingenii	319	Pre-Nectarian	163.7	-32.8
Coulomb-Sarton	316	Pre-Nectarian	-122.5	51.3
Schrodinger	313	Lower Imbrian	133.5	-74.9
Poincare	312	Pre-Nectarian	163.2	-57.3
Birkhoff	308	Pre-Nectarian	-147.2	59.3
Bailly	299	Nectarian	-68.8	-67.2
unnamed	276	older than Orientale	-108.5	-28.1
Harkhebi	265	Pre-Nectarian	98.6	40.4
Balmer-Kapteyn	265	Pre-Nectarian	69.3	-15.6
Gagarin	256	Pre-Nectarian	149.4	-19.7
Sikorsky-Rittenhouse	252	Nectarian	109.1	-68.6
Milne	251	Nectarian	112.9	-31.5
Von Karman M	245	Pre-Nectarian	176.3	-47.0
unnamed	242	Pre-Nectarian	167.8	-3.2
Fermi	241	Pre-Nectarian	123.4	-19.7
Iridum	234	Lower Imbrian ^b	-31.2	44.5
Grimaldi inner ring	234	Pre-Nectarian	-68.7	-5.0
Leibnitz	234	Pre-Nectarian	179.1	-38.3
d'Alembert	232	Nectarian	164.8	51.1
Janssen	230	Pre-Nectarian	40.6	-44.3

Janssen 10.6 | 230 Pre-Nectarian 10.6 | -44.3 | -48.3 | -48.3 | -49.6 | -44.3 | -49.6 | -49.3 | -49.6 | -49.3 | -49.6 | -49.3 | -49.3 | -49.3 | -49.3 | -49.3 | -49.3 | -49.3 | -49.3 |

kilometer, and are therefore probably Pre-Nectarian in age (117).
^bThis crater was originally identified as Upper Imbrian (38), but has since been attributed to the Lower Imbrian (118).

Sample, Experiment	LC slope	HC slope	Paleointensity (μT)	Anisotropy- corrected Paleointensity
				(μT)
10017,378-2				
ARM 50 µT*	$\overline{}$	2.23 ± 0.03	83.2 ± 1.2	83.5 ± 1.2
ARM 100 µT*	\overline{a}	1.08 ± 0.01	80.3 ± 0.8	80.6 ± 0.8
IRM*	$\overline{}$	0.032 ± 0.001	$94.8 + 4.6$	95.1 ± 4.6
10017,378-3				
ARM 50 μ T	$\overline{}$	2.15 ± 0.04	80.2 ± 1.7	78.2 ± 1.7
ARM 100 µT	\blacksquare	1.05 ± 0.01	78.7 ± 1.1	76.7 ± 1.1
IRM	0.083 ± 0.011	0.028 ± 0.001	85.0 ± 1.6	82.9 ± 1.6
10017,378-7				
ARM 50 µT	$\overline{}$	1.67 ± 0.03	62.2 ± 1.2	64.9 ± 1.2
ARM 100 µT	$\overline{}$	0.71 ± 0.01	53.2 ± 0.8	55.5 ± 0.8
IRM	0.043 ± 0.032	0.020 ± 0.001	59.3 ± 3.0	61.9 ± 3.0
10017,378-8				
ARM 50 µT	$\overline{}$	1.31 ± 0.04	49.0 ± 1.5	50.5 ± 1.5
ARM 100 µT		0.61 ± 0.02	45.8 ± 1.6	47.2 ± 1.6
IRM	0.066 ± 0.007	0.014 ± 0.001	41.9 ± 2.3	43.2 ± 2.3
Mean 10017				
ARM 50 µT	$\overline{}$	$\overline{}$	68.7 ± 13.9	69.3 ± 12.8
ARM 100 µT	$\overline{}$	$\overline{}$	64.5 ± 15.2	64.0 ± 14.0
ARM all	$\overline{}$	$\overline{}$	66.6 ± 14.7	67.1 ± 13.6
IRM	\overline{a}	$\overline{}$	70.3 ± 20.9	70.8 ± 19.9
All experiments	$\overline{}$	$\overline{}$	67.8 ± 17.1	68.4 ± 16.0
10049,102-1				
ARM 50 μ T	$\overline{}$	1.84 ± 0.37	69.7 ± 5.3	69.7 ± 5.3
ARM 100 µT		1.16 ± 0.06	86.3 ± 4.6	86.3 ± 4.6
IRM	0.040 ± 0.005	0.032 ± 0.001	95.2 ± 4.3	95.2 ± 4.3
10049,102-2				
ARM 50 µT	$\overline{}$	1.48 ± 0.04	55.2 ± 1.3	55.2 ± 1.3
ARM 100 µT	\mathbf{r}	0.66 ± 0.01	49.3 ± 1.0	49.3 ± 1.0
IRM	0.026 ± 0.003	0.020 ± 0.001	59.1 ± 3.2	59.1 ± 3.2
Mean 10049				
ARM 50 µT	-	-	62.5 ± 7.3	62.5 ± 7.3
ARM 100 µT	$\overline{}$	$\overline{}$	67.8 ± 18.5	67.8 ± 18.5
ARM all	-	$\qquad \qquad \blacksquare$	65.1 ± 14.3	65.1 ± 14.3
IRM	\blacksquare	$\overline{}$	77.2 ± 18.1	77.2 ± 18.1
All experiments	$\overline{}$	$\overline{}$	69.1 ± 16.6	69.1 ± 16.6
High-K basalts				
ARM 50 μ T	$\overline{}$	$\overline{}$	66.6 ± 12.4	67.0 ± 11.7
ARM 100 µT	$\overline{}$	$\overline{}$	65.6 ± 16.4	65.9 ± 15.7
ARM all	$\overline{}$		66.1 ± 14.6	66.5 ± 13.9
IRM	$\qquad \qquad -$	$\overline{}$	72.6±20.2	72.9±19.5
All experiments		-	68.2 ± 17.0	68.6 ± 16.3

Table S2. NRM paleointensity estimates for 10017 and 10049.

Note: The first column gives the names of the subsample and paleointensity method or the mean values; the second column gives the slope for the LC component inferred from plots of NRM lost vs. IRM lost; the third column gives the slope for the HC component inferred from plots of NRM lost vs. IRM lost or NRM lost vs. ARM lost; the fourth column gives ARM paleointensity in μ T= (NRM lost)/(ARM lost)/ f' × (bias field in μ T) or IRM paleointensity in μ T = (NRM lost)/(IRM lost) $\times a$ where we used $f' = 1.34$ and $a = 3000$. Uncertainties on each paleointensity value are formal 95% confidence intervals on the slope fit using Student's t-test (31) and do not include the factor of \sim 3-5 uncertainty associated with the unknown ratios of ARM and IRM to TRM. Uncertainties on mean values are observed 1 standard deviation from multiple samples. Calculated values are rounded to the nearest decimal place but calculations were conducted with raw data.

*For these experiments, AF demagnetization of NRM was carried out without repeated steps for GRM and spurious ARM correction.

Sample	Anisotropy degree P	Shape factor T
10017,378-2	1.05	-0.21
10017,378-3	1.16	-0.04
10017,378-7	1.28	-0.61
10017,378-8	1.10	-0.37
10049,102-1	1.10	0.17
10049,102-2	1.06	-0.14

Table S3. Anisotropy of ARM (85 mT AC field with 0.1 mT DC field).

Table S4. Paleointensity fidelity estimates for 10017 and 10049. Recovered intensity calculated via the ARM method with a bias field of 200 µT.

Note: Recovered paleointensity in μ T = (NRM/ARM)/*f'* × (bias field in μ T) using *f'* = 1.34. Uncertainties on each limit are formal 95% confidence intervals on the slope fit using Student's t-test (31).

Note: The first column gives the names of the subsample, the second column gives the mean AF destructive field for an ARM produced by a 200 mT AC field and 2 mT DC field; the third column gives the mean AF destructive field for an IRM produced by a 200 mT field; the fourth column gives the Cisowski *R* value (41); the fifth column gives two estimates of the coercivity of remanence (B_{cr}) : the first is derived from the intersection of AF of IRM and IRM acquisition curves (Fig. S8) following (41), while the second is the back field required to reduce a saturation IRM to zero moment; the sixth column gives the coercivity (B_c) , the seventh column gives the saturation remanence (M_{rs}) , and the seventh column gives the saturation magnetization (*Ms*). A dash indicates that quantity was not measured.

Table S6. Modal abundances in 10017 and 10049 [both from ref. (21)].

Table S7. Composition of typical metal grains in thin sections 10017,62 and 10049,40.

Sample,	Fe	Ni	Total
Measurement #			
10017,62			
1	98.4	0.4	98.8
$\overline{2}$	98.2	0.4	98.6
$\overline{3}$	97.4	0.4	97.8
$\overline{\mathbf{4}}$	97.2	0.4	97.6
Ave.	97.8	0.4	96.1
Max.	98.4	0.4	98.8
Min.	97.2	0.4	97.6
10049,40			
$\mathbf 1$	96.1	0.3	96.5
$\overline{2}$	98.7	0.3	99.0
3	97.7	0.4	98.1
Ave.	97.9	0.3	97.9
Max.	96.5	0.3	96.5
Min.	99.0	0.4	99.0

Note: Analyses presented as wt.% rounded to the nearest decimal place. Calculations were conducted using raw data acquired with MIT microprobe. Detection limits as follows (in wt.%): Ni-0.005, Fe-0.002. Standards were pure Fe and Ni metal.

Table S8. Composition of plagioclase grains in 10017,62 measured with MIT microprobe.

#	SiO ₂	CaO	FeO	Na ₂ O	Al ₂ O ₃	K_2 O	MgO	Total	An	Ab	Or	Ca/K
$\mathbf{1}$	50.1	15.8	0.6	2.3	31.3	0.2	0.2	100.6	0.86	0.13	0.014	53.4
$\overline{2}$	49.1	16.3	0.5	2.1	32.1	0.1	0.2	100.4	0.88	0.11	0.007	109.2
3	49.6	16.0	0.4	2.3	31.9	0.2	0.3	100.7	0.87	0.12	0.009	85.0
$\overline{\mathbf{4}}$	48.8	16.1	0.5	2.1	31.5	0.2	0.3	99.4	0.88	0.11	0.009	85.7
5	49.3	16.0	0.5	2.1	31.5	0.2	0.3	99.8	0.88	0.12	0.008	89.2
6	48.4	16.1	0.6	2.2	31.3	0.2	0.3	98.9	0.87	0.12	0.008	90.0
$\overline{7}$	49.4	15.6	0.6	2.2	30.7	0.2	0.3	98.9	0.87	0.12	0.010	71.1
8	48.0	14.8	0.5	2.3	29.9	0.2	0.3	96.1	0.86	0.13	0.011	63.4
9	46.2	15.0	0.6	2.1	30.4	0.2	0.2	94.7	0.86	0.12	0.012	59.2
10	49.2	15.8	0.5	2.1	31.2	0.2	0.3	99.2	0.87	0.12	0.011	66.1
11	48.4	15.3	0.7	2.3	29.9	0.2	0.2	97.0	0.86	0.13	0.012	61.4
12	46.4	15.5	0.5	2.4	28.6	0.2	0.2	93.8	0.86	0.13	0.013	57.3
13	34.8	14.3	0.5	2.2	23.9	0.2	0.2	76.2	0.86	0.13	0.013	56.8
14	40.6	14.9	0.5	2.1	26.2	0.2	0.3	84.7	0.87	0.12	0.012	60.4
15	33.8	13.3	0.9	2.6	21.6	0.3	0.2	72.6	0.82	0.16	0.016	42.0
16	42.3	15.3	0.7	1.6	27.2	0.2	0.1	87.4	0.89	0.09	0.012	65.0
17	51.6	14.7	0.8	2.5	30.3	0.3	0.1	100.4	0.84	0.14	0.016	44.3
18	49.8	15.5	0.8	2.2	31.3	0.2	0.2	99.9	0.87	0.12	0.012	60.6
19	48.9	15.7	0.8	2.1	31.0	0.2	0.2	98.9	0.87	0.12	0.011	64.3
20	49.1	15.4	0.9	2.0	31.4	0.2	0.2	99.2	0.88	0.11	0.012	61.3
21	50.2	15.3	0.9	2.2	31.1	0.2	0.2	100.0	0.86	0.12	0.013	55.0
22	49.2	15.6	0.9	2.1	30.5	0.2	0.2	98.8	0.87	0.12	0.011	68.2
23	49.8	15.4	0.7	2.1	30.6	0.2	0.3	99.1	0.87	0.12	0.011	68.0
24	49.9	15.6	0.7	2.1	30.8	0.2	0.3	99.5	0.87	0.12	0.010	70.6
Ave.	47.2	15.4	0.7	2.2	29.8	0.2	0.2	95.7	0.87	0.12	0.01	67.0
Max.	51.6	16.3	0.9	2.6	32.1	0.3	0.3	100.7	0.89	0.16	0.02	109.2
Min.	33.8	13.3	0.5	1.6	21.6	0.1	0.1	72.5	0.82	0.09	0.01	42.0

Table S10. Composition of pyroxene grains in 10017,62 measured with MIT microprobe.

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#	TiO ₂	Al ₂ O ₃	K_2O	MnO	Na ₂ O	Cr ₂ O ₃	SiO ₂	Ca _O	FeO	MgO	Total
1	1.6	2.2	0.01	0.16	0.04	0.4	50.5	16.6	11.2	17.0	99.7
$\overline{2}$	1.7	2.4	0.01	0.18	0.10	0.3	50.9	15.9	11.6	17.1	100.1
3	1.6	2.6	0.01	0.15	0.13	0.4	50.5	16.9	11.2	16.6	100.0
4	1.6	2.1		0.15	0.08	0.4	51.1	15.3	11.8	17.7	100.2
5	1.7	2.4	0.01	0.16	0.08	0.5	50.2	16.8	11.1	16.7	99.6
6	1.5	2.0	0.01	0.17	0.11	0.4	50.9	15.5	11.6	18.0	100.2
7	1.5	1.9		0.17	0.05	0.4	50.8	15.1	12.0	18.1	100.0
8	1.3	1.8	0.01	0.19	0.08	0.4	51.4	15.8	11.8	17.6	100.4
9	0.7	0.9	0.02	0.34	0.01	0.2	50.0	8.7	26.3	13.3	100.6
10	0.6	0.7	0.04	0.41	0.04	0.2	48.7	7.2	33.2	9.2	100.3
11	0.7	1.0	0.01	0.33	0.01	0.1	49.4	10.5	26.3	11.5	99.9
12	0.6	0.7	-	0.34	-	0.1	49.5	7.5	29.3	12.1	100.1
13	0.9	1.7	0.04	0.32	$\qquad \qquad \blacksquare$	0.2	48.4	12.8	26.0	9.6	99.9
14	1.1	1.7		0.26	$\overline{}$	0.2	49.1	15.2	20.1	11.7	99.4
15	0.5	0.6	-	0.36	$\overline{}$	0.1	48.6	6.9	35.0	8.0	100.2
16	0.7	1.0	-	0.35	0.08	0.2	49.0	10.1	29.5	8.7	99.6
Ave.	1.1	1.6	0.01	0.25	0.05	0.3	49.9	12.9	19.9	13.9	100.0
Max.	0.5	0.6	-	0.15	$\overline{}$	0.1	48.4	6.9	11.1	8.0	99.4
Min.	1.7	2.6	0.04	0.41	0.13	0.5	51.4	16.9	35.0	18.1	100.6

Table S11. Composition of pyroxene grains in 10049,40 measured with MIT microprobe.

Table S12. Composition of high-K glass in 10017,62 measured with MIT microprobe.

#	TiO ₂	Al ₂ O ₃	K_2 O	MnO	Na ₂ O	Cr ₂ O ₃	SiO ₂	CaO	FeO	MgO	Total
	2.1	9.1	4.94	0.08	0.46	0.1	63.1	1.5	9.3		90.7
\mathcal{L}	0.7	10.8	4.62	0.01	0.64	$\overline{}$	79.3	0.7	2.0		98.8
3	0.6	11.8	6.06	$\overline{}$	0.60	$\overline{}$	76.9	0.8	2.4		99.2
4	0.8	11.9	6.22	0.02	0.36	$\overline{}$	70.3	1.2	3.4		94.2
5	0.5	11.0	6.16	0.01	0.31	$\overline{}$	70.5	0.8	$1.1\,$		90.3
6	0.6	11.1	4.49	0.01	0.95	$\overline{}$	75.8	2.3	2.9		98.1
7	0.5	11.3	4.41	0.02	0.90	$\overline{}$	78.9	1.9	2.4		100.3
8	0.4	12.1	5.02	$\overline{}$	0.82	$\overline{}$	77.9	1.8	1.2	۰	99.2
Ave.	0.8	11.2	5.24	0.02	0.63	$\overline{}$	74.1	1.4	3.1	۰	96.4
Max.	2.1	12.1	6.22	0.08	0.95	0.1	79.3	2.3	9.3	0.1	100.3
Min.	0.4	9.1	4.41	$\overline{}$	0.31	$\overline{}$	63.1	0.7	$1.1\,$		90.3

Table S13. Composition of high-K glass in 10049,40 measured with MIT microprobe.

Sample, Method	Age (Ga)	Reference
10017		
K/Ar	2.45	(76)
	3.2 (plagioclase)	(76)
	2.200	(94)
	2.600	(119)
	2.38 ± 0.11	(120)
	2.26 ± 0.10	(120)
	2.200 ± 0.150	(121)
	$2.2 - 2.4$	(122)
	2.350 ± 0.06	(95)
	3.260 ± 60 (plagioclase)	(95)
	3.200	(119)
	2.7	(123)
	2.63 ± 0.02	(124)
⁴⁰ Ar/ ³⁹ Ar (apparent)	2.31 ± 0.05	(77)
	2.30 ± 0.05	(78)
⁴⁰ Ar/ ³⁹ Ar (high temperature)	$>3.23 \pm 0.06$	(77)
	$>3.23 \pm 0.06$	(78)
	$>3.23\pm0.09$	(125)
	3.63 ± 0.11	(126)
Rb/Sr	3.59 ± 0.08	(76)
	3.78 ± 0.10	$(127)^{1}$
	3.575±0.215	(128)
	3.400 ± 0.600	(129)
	3.59 ± 0.05	(130)
	3.71 ± 0.11	$(131)^{2}$
	3.51 ± 0.05	$(124)^3$
	3.56 ± 0.05	$(126)^4$
	3.633 ± 0.057	(132)
Sm/Nd	3.678±0.069	(132)

Table S14. Radiometric ages for 10017 and 10049 compiled from the literature.

¹Average of 10017 and 10072.
²Recalculated from ref. (127).
³Recalculated from ref. (130).
⁴Recalculated from ref. (124).

Sample, Method	Age (Ga)	Reference
10017		
81 Kr/ 83 Kr	2.840±0.160	(133)
	2.597±0.125	(133)
U/Th	2.5	(76)
	2.550	(119)
	2.950	(119)
	2.0	(123)
$^{206}Pb/^{238}U$	3.727	(134)
	3.767	(135)
	3.616±0.098	(132)
$^{207}Pb/^{235}U$	3.887	(134)
	3.935	(135)
207Pb/206Pb	3.970	(134)
	4.022	(135)
$^{238}Pb/^{232}Th$	3.643	(134)
	3.598	(135)
10049		
K/Ar	3.200	(119)
	2.63 ± 0.02	(124)
$40Ar/39Ar$ (high temperature)	3.41 ± 0.04	(126)
U/Th	2.950	(119)

Table S15. Radiometric ages compiled from the literature (continued).

Table S16. Cosmic ray exposure ages for 10017 and 10049 compiled from the literature.

¹Recalculated from ref. (91).

Table S17. Complete ⁴⁰Ar/³⁹Ar incremental heating results.

Table S17. Complete ⁴⁰Ar^{/39}Ar incremental heating results (continued)

Isotope abundances given in nanoamps (spectrometer sensitivity is ~1.8 x 10⁻¹⁴ moles/nA),

and corrected for ³⁷Ar and ³⁸Ar decay, with half-lives of 35.2 days and 269 years, respectively,

and for spectrometer discrimination per atomic mass unit of 1.004535 ± 0.002968 . Interest presented the content of the reactor constants in Renne et al. (2005),

and assuming $(^{38}Ar/^{36}Ar)_{\text{cos}} = 1.54$, $(^{38}Ar/^{36}Ar)_{\text{max}} = 0.188$, and $(^{40}Ar/^{36}Ar)_{\text{max}} = 0$.

No corrections were made for cosmogenic ⁴⁰Ar.

Ages were calculated using the decay constants and standard age calibration of Renne et al. (2011) and K isotope abundances of Steiger and Jäger (1977)

and calculated relative to Hb3gr fluence monitor (1081.0 ± 1.2 Ma).

J-Value is 0.0262509 ± 0.0002064 (analytical uncertainties only, excludes uncertainty on the standard age).

Uncertainties on apparent step ages include anlytical uncertainties on isotope measurements, interfearence corrections, and the J-value, but exclude decay constant and standard age uncertainties.

Plateau ages were calculated as the weighted average ${}^{40}Ar^{*/39}Ar_K$ ratio of steps 13-18.

Average analytical blanks are: 40 Ar = 0.03; 39 Ar = 0.0009; 38 Ar = 0.0002; 37 Ar = 0.00005; 36 Ar = 0.0002 (nanoamps).

Temperature was controlled with approximately \pm 5 °C precision and \pm 10 °C accuracy.
Data shown in gray are indeterminate or negligibly above the detection limit.

Table S18. Summary of MP-MDD model parameters.

Each phase is fit with a two domain model.

 Φ is the fraction of ³⁹Ar_k or ³⁷Ar_{ca} contained within a given domain and is calculated based on the total released in the first 22 extractions.

P38_{ca} is the domain-specific production rate for ${}^{36}Ar_{cos}$ and is calculated based on the relative concentrations of K, Ca, and Fe in plagioclase and K and Ca in K-glass.

Fe/Ca ratios in 10017 and 10049 plagioclase are 0.033 and 0.046, respectively.

Total ${}^{39}Ar_{K}$, ${}^{37}Ar_{Ca}$, and ${}^{38}Ar_{cos}$ signals in 10017 are 1.506, 10.29, and 1.386 nanoamps, respectively. Total ${}^{39}Ar_{K}$, ${}^{37}Ar_{Ca}$, and ${}^{38}Ar_{cos}$ signals in 10049 are 1.157, 7.33, and 0.0553 nanoamps, respectively.

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