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We report initial Sr isotope ratios for five samples ranging from alkali basalt to rhyolite from the San Antonio Mountain area, New Mexico.

All 87 Sr/ 86 Sr data have been normalized to 86 Sr/ 88 Sr = 0.1194.

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DISCUSSION

The rocks reported here were collected from an area in the northern Rio Grande rift about 50 km northwest of Taos, New Mexico (Eppler, 1976). San Antonio Mountain, a broad shield-shaped volcano consists of numerous flows of latite and an overlapping andesite center. The rhyolitic Agua Dome Complex and Wismath crater, a broad lava cave, lie southeast of San Antonio Mountain. The rocks intertongue with the upper part of the tholeiitic Servilleta Formation (3.6 to 4.5 m.y.; Ozima and others, 1967; Lipman and Mehnert, 1975). Sample No. 1 is tholeiite from the Servilleta Formation, No. 2 is the earliest rock from the vicinity of San Antonio Mountain and has alkalic affinities. Nos. 3, 4, and 5 have calcalkalic affinities and are listed in order of increasing SiO2 content. Chemical analyses of these rocks were listed by Naert (1974) and Eppler (1976); their genesis was discussed by Lipman and Mehnert (1975).

SAMPLE DESCRIPTIONS

1. UNM-DE-440

87 Sr/86 Sr initial ratio:
0.7048 (whole rock)
Tholeiite, Servilleta Fm. (105°59′45″W, 36°52′
30″N; Taos Co., NM). Collected by: D. Eppler;
data from: UNM Geochronology Lab.

2. UNM-DE-327

87 Sr/86 Sr initial ratio:
0.7032 (whole rock)
Alkali basalt, Wismath crater (105°57′30″W, 36°49′
45″N; Taos Co., NM). Collected by: D. Eppler;

data from: UNM Geochronology Lab.

3. UNM-DE-80-R

87 Sr/86 Sr initial ratio:
0.7036 (whole rock)
Andesite, San Antonio Mountain (105°58′30″W,
36°54′15″N; Rio Arriba Co., NM). Collected by:
D. Eppler; data from: UNM Geochronology Lab.

4. UNM-DE-19

87 Sr/86 Sr initial ratio:
0.7075 (whole rock)
Latite, San Antonio Mountain (105°59′30″W, 36°
50′45″N; Rio Arriba Co., NM). Collected by: D.
Eppler; data from: UNM Geochronology Lab.

5. UNM-DE-5

87 Sr/86 Sr initial ratio:
0.7070 (whole rock)
Rhyolite, No Agua Dome Complex (106°57′35″W,
36°45′00″N; Taos Co., NM). Collected by: D.
Eppler; data from: UNM Geochronology Lab.

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