

The Reason Why Magmas are Mostly Silicon and Not Iron

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Abstract: It is hypothesized why Earth magmas are mostly silicon and not mostly iron.

During red dwarf stages of stellar metamorphosis the iron that a star contains starts collecting in the middle from large electric current magnetizing it. Electric current flowing through silicon does not make it magnetic, because it is diamagnetic.^[1] So in essence most of the iron will collect in the center as a molten ball that will eventually cool and crystallize over time because of iron's ferromagnetism.^[2] This will leave much less iron in the upper mantles of the Earth and the crust as opposed to the core which is hypothesized to be a solid iron/nickel composite similar to meteorites.

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