turn is clearly disproven. Similarly the theory that CNV and the P300 effect reflect the action of a common "activation" mechanism must be rejected. It is likely that all EEG activity is correlated with the gross arousal level of the subject and that this common element may introduce covariances between different phenomena derived from the EEG. But another process is required to explain the dissociability of CNV from the P300 effect. Apparently there are at least two independently variable modulators of cortical electrical activity correlated with moment-to-moment efficiency in human performance. Although these data are not addressed directly to Nataanen's (6) or Karlin's (4) speculations about the psychological processes underlying CNV and the P300 effect, such speculation must now account for the independent variability of these two phenomena.

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- were calculated from measurements of ampi-tudes from base to peak.
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## Potassium-Uranium Systematics of Apollo 11 and Apollo 12 Lunar Samples and of Some Deep Earth Rocks

Fanale and Nash have discussed the K-U systematics of lunar, chondritic, and terrestrial samples (1). They discerned distinct trend lines for Apollo 11 and Apollo 12 samples and for ter-

restrial rocks and showed that chondrites are not members of these trend lines. They pointed out that, if the earth and the moon were formed from the same material, then the lunar rocks



Fig. 1. Potassium-uranium systematics for lunar, chondritic, and terrestrial samples. Lunar data from figure 1 of Fanale and Nash (1) (see their references for original data); chondritic data from Fisher (5); dunite and peridotite data from Fisher (2); lherzolite data from Green et al. (3).

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which thus far have been analyzed must be "enriched" in both U and K, and we must search for "depleted" lunar material which would enable the trend lines to be extrapolated to the left in Fig. 1 so that they cross that of the earth at some material balance point.

Figure 1 of Fanale and Nash (on which Fig. 1 is based) shows all the terrestrial data lying along the K/U  $= 10^4$  line. This is an oversimplification based on incomplete data. In Fig. 1 I show some recent K/U data for ultramafic rocks (2, 3). These types of rock are not unimportant in a consideration of the total chemical makeup of the earth; it is generally considered that either the peridotite inclusions in basalt or kimberlite or the lherzolite nodules shown here are the best approximations to mantle rocks that we have at the present time. Also shown in Fig. 1 are some dunite data. Dunites are most probably the residue from the differentiation of mantle material into basalts. For comparison, the dunite point quoted by Fanale and Nash from the data of Tilton and Reed (4) is shown; this point was based on only one K datum and on U data for only two rocks (for which Tilton and Reed specified that, because of contamination and analytic difficulties, the data should be used only as limits to the actual U concentrations).

The data of Fig. 1 show clearly that the lunar K and U abundances already observed in the Apollo 11 and Apollo 12 samples are well within the range found in terrestrial peridotite inclusions in basalt and kimberlite. The lunar K/U ratio of about  $3 \times 10^3$  is the same as that in both the peridotite inclusions and the lherzolite nodules. Therefore the data available at present are in agreement with the notion that the earth and moon both accreted in the same portion of the pre-solar-system cloud. These data do not compel one to believe that there must exist a "huge reservoir of ultramafic 'depleted' phases" with  $K/U > 10^4$  (1, p. 283) among the as yet unexplored lunar regions. The conclusion of Fanale and Nash that chondrites accreted in a different portion of space remains valid. DAVID E. FISHER

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The new data on the ratio of K to U in ultramafic rocks presented by Fisher constitutes a valuable addition to our knowledge of the K-U systematics of the earth. His conclusion that "the data available at present are in agreement with the notion that the earth and moon both accreted in the same portion of the pre-solar-system cloud" is identical with our original conclusion, namely, "Thus differences between the K/U ratios of Apollo samples and crustal rocks of the earth do not preclude the possibility that the moon and the earth were derived from materials possessing the same K/U ratio." (1, p. 283).

On the other hand, we disagree with Fisher's conclusion that "These data do not compel one to believe that there must exist a 'huge reservoir of ultramafic "depleted" phases' . . . among the as yet unexplored lunar regions." As we emphasized in our report, the fact that Apollo samples are highly differentiated is obvious from their U contents, which are from 20 to 600 times those of chondrites. Chondrites are normally assumed to exhibit roughly the relative abundances of nonvolatile elements of the initial solar system. No mechanism except magmatic differentiation has ever been suggested which could produce such an enormous enrichment in uranium (including preaccretion heating). Material balance dictates that a much larger corresponding reservoir of material depleted in K and U must exist, probably at depth on the moon. Whether some magmatic differentiation of lunar material occurred prior to hypothetical fission from the primitive earth remains essentially an open question. But in this connection we should also consider the argument that, if the moon throughout its volume has always possessed a uranium content equal to the average of the Apollo samples, the moon would almost certainly be molten throughout at the present time, which does not appear to be the case.

The recent discovery of a glass rich in potassium, rare earth elements, and phosphorus ("KREEP"), simultaneously reported by several groups of workers at the Apollo 12 conference in Houston in January 1971 (2), together with further studies of rock 12013 (3), suggests to us an additional interpretation of one aspect of the data. It now appears that the Apollo 11 and 12 samples may represent U- and K-enriched members of essentially the same differentiation sequence, and that magmatic processes that produced siliceous material such as rock 12013 may also have enriched such material in U relative to K.

This process may be analogous to the apparent enrichment in U over K in granitic, relative to basaltic, rocks on earth [figure 1 in (1)]. Such an interpretation would also be consistent with our conclusion that "the two suites appear to have been derived from materials of identical potassium and uranium content" (1, p. 282). In any case, this would not affect our conclusions concerning the relationship between the bulk K/U ratios of terrestrial, lunar, and chondritic material.

Subsequent to the publication of our report, it was brought to our attention that Tera et al. (4) have discussed the K-U systematics of the Apollo 11 samples and have pointed out that both U and K are probably highly concentrated in interstitial glassy material.

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